

# Co-optimizing Power Grid Reliability and Resiliency

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# The U.S. Electric Grid

- Aging: 70% of transmission lines and transformers are over 25 years old [1].
- Vulnerable to
  - **Weather**
  - Equipment failure
  - Overgrown vegetation
  - Wildlife [2]
- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (2009) allocated \$4.5 billion to improve reliability and resiliency of power grid.

# Impact of Weather

- From 2003-2012, weather events caused 679 power outages, each affecting at least 50,000 customers [1, 2].
- Outages caused by severe weather estimated to cost the U.S. between \$18 and \$33 billion per year [1].

# Utilities' Motives

- Resiliency: ability to recover from low-probability, high-frequency disruptions:
  - Hurricanes
  - Floods
  - Ice storms
  - Cyber attack
- Reliability: ability to recover from high-probability, low-impact disruptions
  - Squirrels
  - Birds
  - Tree falls on distribution line

# Example Investments

## Reliability

- Squirrel guards
- Bird spikes
- Burying distribution line
- Add additional fuses [3]

## Resiliency

- Bury transmission line
- Upgrade poles
- Add redundancy into system
- Elevate substation above flood level
- Move facility out of flood zone [4]

# SAIDI and SAIFI Metrics

- System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI):
  - Measures duration of outages:

$$SAIDI = \frac{\sum_{outages} (\text{num customers effected})(\text{outage duration})}{\text{total num customers}}$$

- System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI):
  - Measures frequency of outages:

$$SAIFI = \frac{\sum_{outages} (\text{num customers effected})}{\text{total num customers}}$$

# Justifying Investments



## Reliability

- Measured by SAIDI and SAIFI
- Less-expensive investments
- Evidence of immediate customer benefit

## Resiliency

- Not captured by SAIDI and SAIFI
- Expensive investments
- Uncertain return on investment [5]

# The Problem

- Utilities need to invest in both resiliency and reliability and be able to justify these investments to regulatory commissions
- We plan to co-optimize a model for choosing reliability investments and a model for choosing resiliency investments
  - Two models coupled by budget constraint
- Challenges:
  - Distributions of both reliability disruptions and resiliency disruptions uncertain
  - Choosing investments in either is a combinatorial problem
  - Is the budget constraint the only link between the two?
  - Want to scale to realistically sized power grids

# Current Model: Reliability

minimize  $\frac{SAIDI_{\text{up}}}{SAIDI_{\text{syn}}} + \frac{SAIFI_{\text{up}}}{SAIFI_{\text{syn}}}$  (1)

subject to  $\sum_{i,d,u \in U_{i,d}} c_u y_{i,d,u} \leq B$  (2)

$$SAIDI_{\text{up}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{o \in O} CO_o TO_o \quad (3)$$

$$SAIFI_{\text{up}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{o \in O} CO_o \quad (4)$$

$$CO_o = \min_{u \in U_o} \{C_{o,u} y_{i_o, d_o, u} + C_o (1 - y_{i_o, d_o, u})\} \quad \forall o \in O \quad (5)$$

$$TO_o = \min_{u \in V_o} \{T_{o,u} y_{i_o, d_o, u} + T_o (1 - y_{i_o, d_o, u})\} \quad \forall o \in O \quad (6)$$

# Current Model: Resiliency

$$\text{minimize} \quad \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} p_b^0 + \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} P_\omega \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} p_b^\omega \quad (1)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \sum_{b \in \mathcal{B}} C_b i_b + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} C_l i_l + \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} C_g i_g \leq T \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_b} p_g^0 + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_b^{\text{to}}} p_l^0 - \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_b^{\text{from}}} p_l^0 = D_b - p_b^0 \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_b} p_g^\omega + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_b^{\text{to}}} p_l^\omega - \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_b^{\text{from}}} p_l^\omega = D_b - p_b^\omega \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{B}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (4)$$

$$p_l^0 = Y_l^0 S_l(\theta_{B_l^{\text{to}}}^0 - \theta_{B_l^{\text{from}}}^0) \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L} \quad (5)$$

$$p_l^\omega = y_l^\omega S_l(\theta_{B_l^{\text{to}}}^\omega - \theta_{B_l^{\text{from}}}^\omega) \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (6)$$

$$p_g^\omega \leq p_g^0 + R U_g Y_g^0 + S U_g (y_g^\omega - Y_g^0) + \bar{P}_g (1 - y_g^\omega) \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (7)$$

$$p_g^0 \leq \bar{P}_g y_g^\omega + S D_g (Y_g^0 - y_g^\omega) \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (8)$$

$$p_g^0 - p_g^\omega \leq R D_g y_g^\omega + S D (Y_g^0 - y_g^\omega) + \bar{P}_g (1 - Y_g^0) \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (9)$$

$$-\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta_{B_l^{\text{to}}}^0 - \theta_{B_l^{\text{from}}}^0 \leq \frac{\pi}{3} \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L} \quad (10)$$

$$-\frac{\pi}{3} \leq \theta_{B_l^{\text{to}}}^\omega - \theta_{B_l^{\text{from}}}^\omega \leq \frac{\pi}{3} \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \omega \in \Omega \quad (11)$$

# Current Model: Resiliency

$$-\bar{P}_l Y_l^0 \leq p_l^0 \leq \bar{P}_l Y_l^0 \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L} \quad (12)$$

$$-\bar{P}_l y_l^\omega \leq p_l^\omega \leq \bar{P}_l y_l^\omega \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \omega \in \Omega \quad (13)$$

$$\underline{P}_g Y_g^0 \leq p_g^0 \leq \bar{P}_g Y_g^0 \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G} \quad (14)$$

$$\underline{P}_g y_g^\omega \leq p_g^\omega \leq \bar{P}_g y_g^\omega \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \omega \in \Omega \quad (15)$$

$$0 \leq p_b^0 \leq D_b \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{B} \quad (16)$$

$$0 \leq p_b^\omega \leq D_b \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{B}, \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (17)$$

$$y_l^\omega \leq i_l \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_l \quad (18)$$

$$y_l^\omega \leq i_{B_l^{\text{from}}} \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_l \quad (19)$$

$$y_l^\omega \leq i_{B_l^{\text{to}}} \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_l \quad (20)$$

$$y_g^\omega \leq i_g \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_g \quad (21)$$

$$y_g^\omega \leq i_{B_g} \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_g \quad (22)$$

$$y_b^\omega \leq i_b \quad \forall b \in \mathcal{B}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_b \quad (23)$$

$$y_l^\omega \leq y_{B_l^{\text{from}}}^\omega \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_l \quad (24)$$

$$y_l^\omega \leq y_{B_l^{\text{to}}}^\omega \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_l \quad (25)$$

$$y_g^\omega \leq y_{B_g}^\omega \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, \forall \omega \in \Omega_g \quad (26)$$

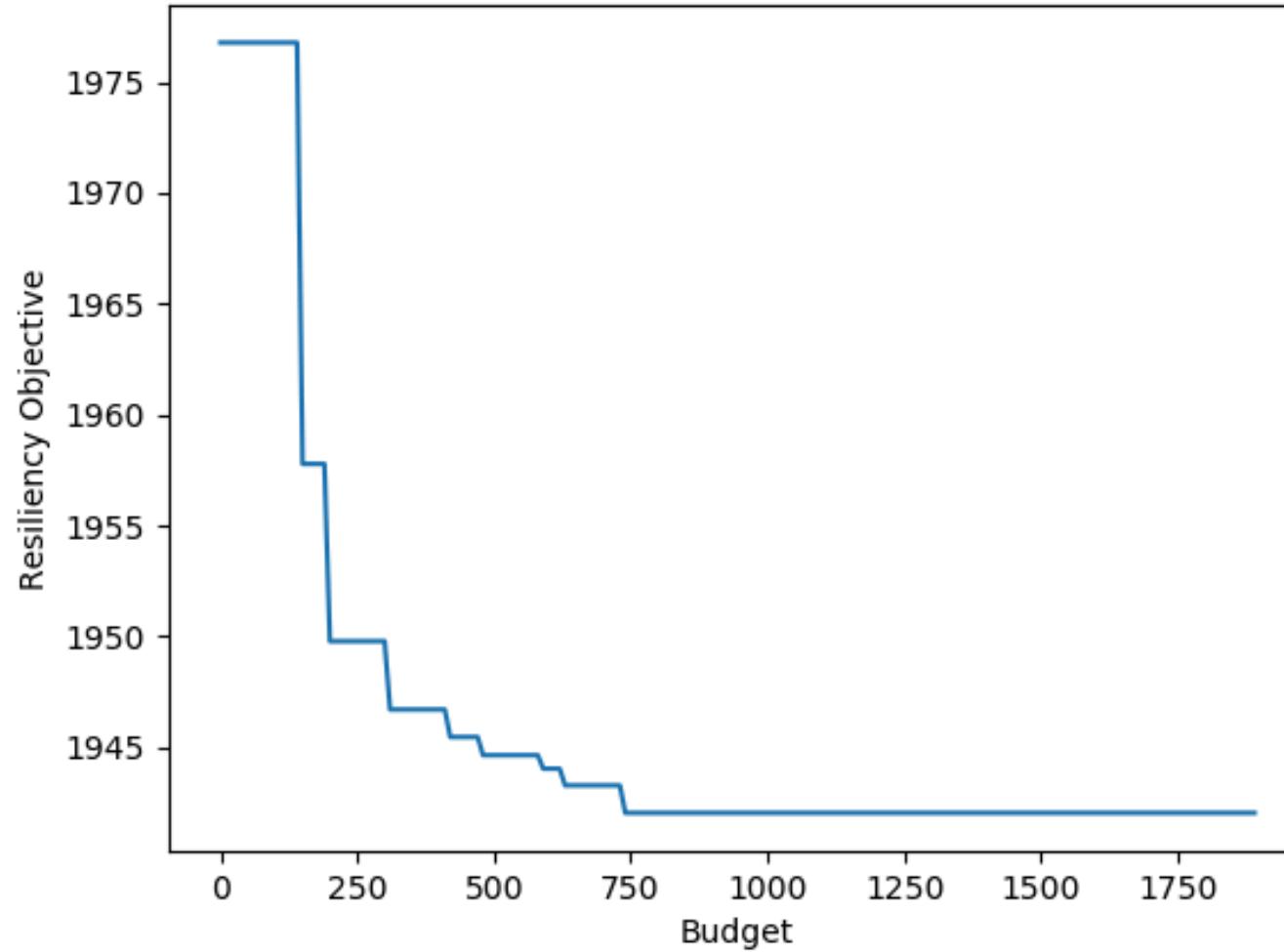
# Reliability and Resiliency Value Functions



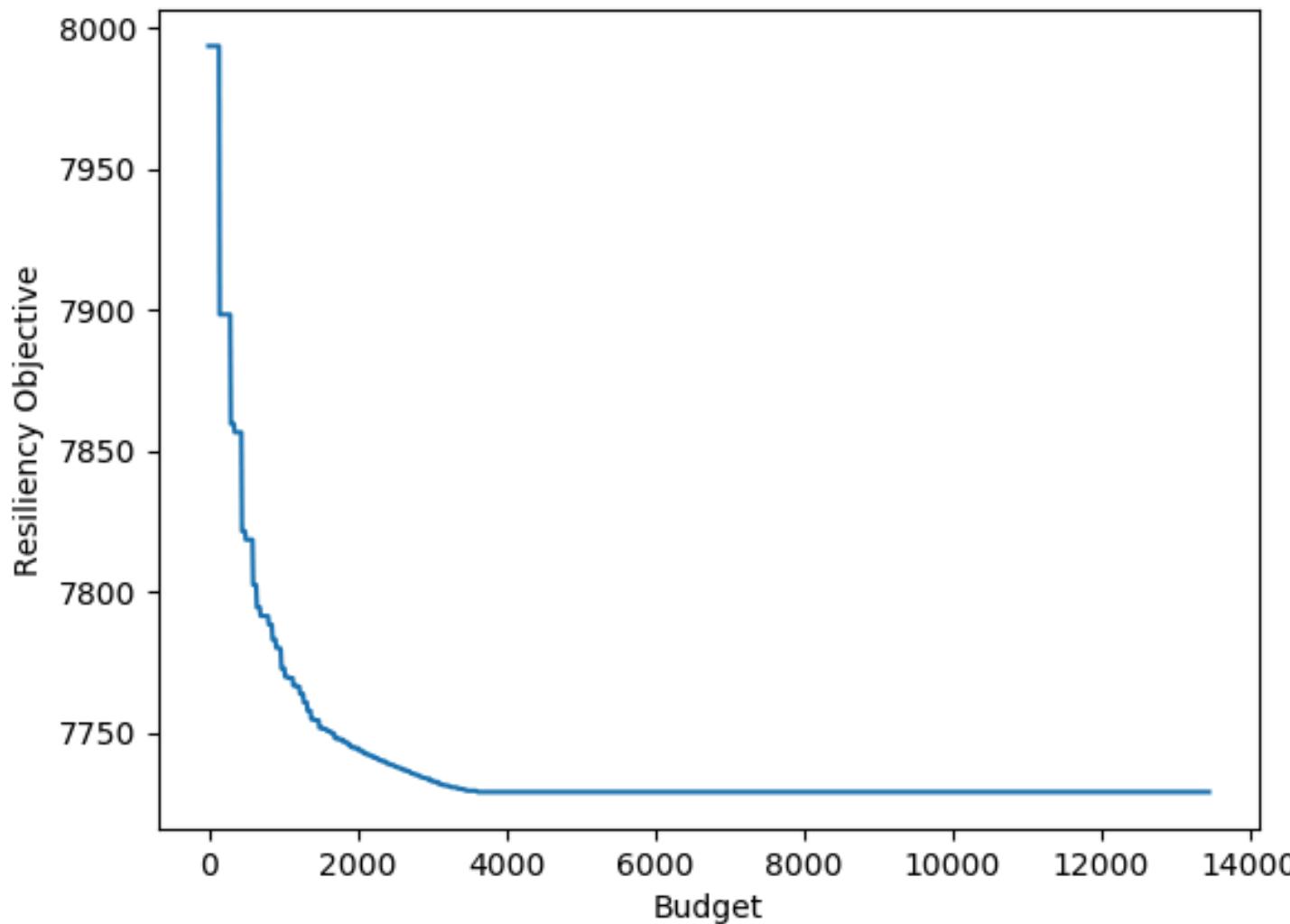
1. Solve with budget = 0.
2. Calculate minimum cost of set of investments not chosen in current solution. Call this cost  $\delta$ .
3. Solve the model with budget = budget +  $\delta$ .
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 until budget is equal to cost of choosing all investments

Do this with both reliability and resiliency models, use results to create Pareto frontier.

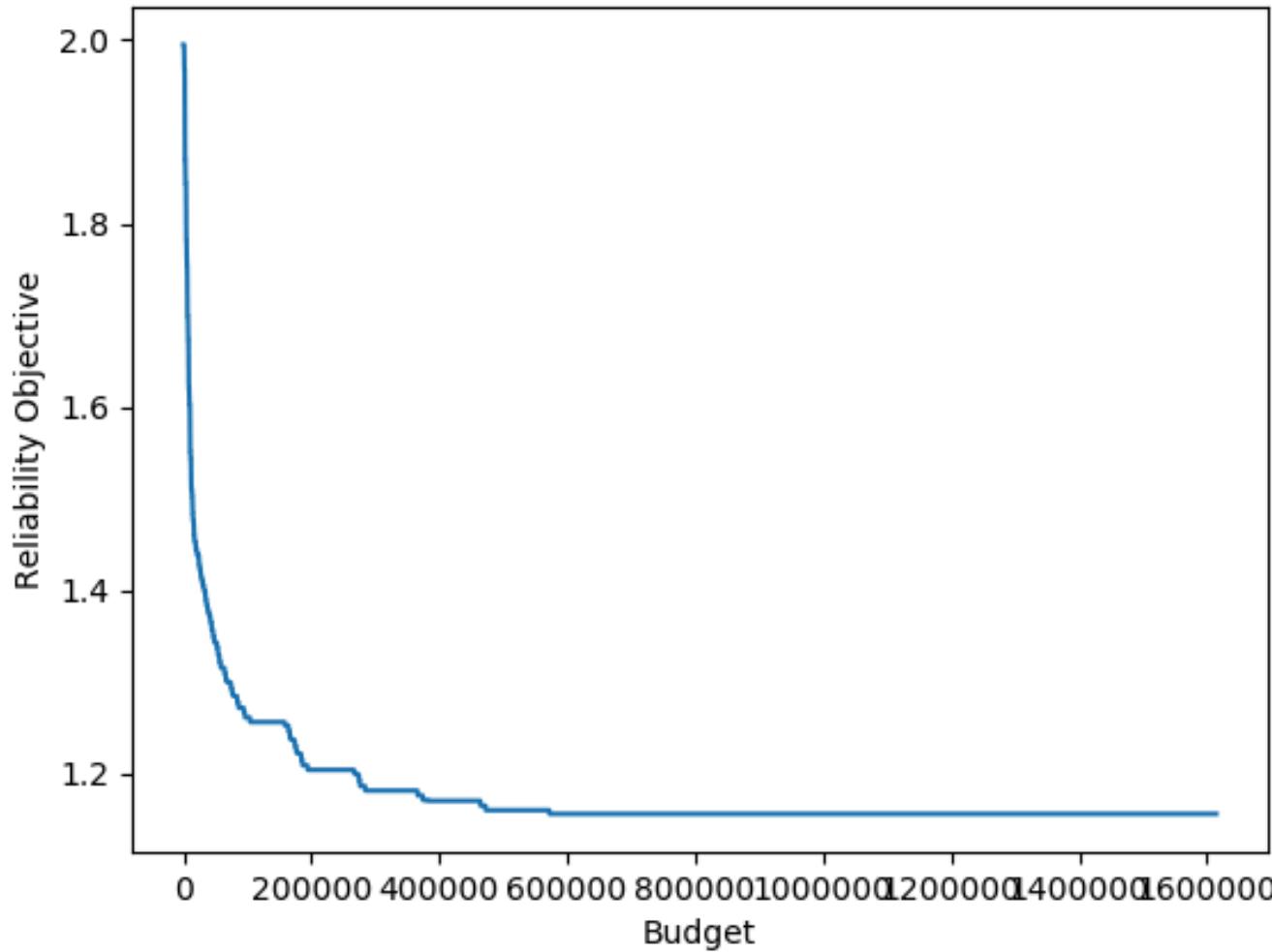
# Resiliency (11 bus Example)



# Resiliency (73 bus example)



# Reliability



# Continuing...

- Both models will be distributionally robust
- Develop parametric stochastic programming techniques for repeated solves of the models
- Depending on performance, also develop different co-optimization strategy.
  - Could expand auction-type algorithms from Ezgi Karabulut's dissertation [6]

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