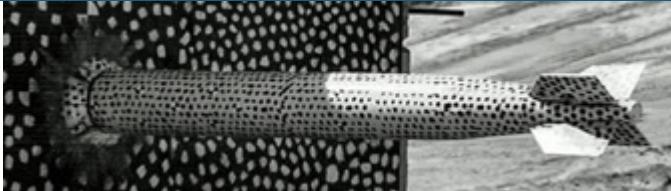
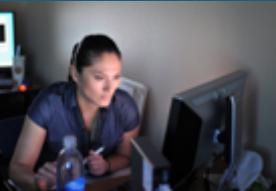




Model Predictive Dispatch of Energy Storage for Voltage Regulation in Active Distribution Systems

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Issues in Power Distribution Systems with High Renewable Penetration

Imbalance
between PV
generation and
load

Power quality issues
Poor Voltage Regulation,
Over-voltages

Excessive
operation of
traditional
devices

- Current practices using transformers, voltage regulators and switching capacitors sub-optimal
- System operators have to impose stringent operational limits
 - Traditionally 5-10% voltage deviation allowed
 - Hawaiian electric has proposed limiting voltage operation range to $\pm 2.5\%$ during day time due to excessive PV
- Reduces efficiency and utilization of renewables



- Existing solutions
 - Limit integration of renewables
 - Curtailment of power from renewables
- Energy storage a flexible asset for voltage regulation
- Voltage regulation can be provided either by active or reactive power support
 - Inverter of energy storage system (ESS) can provide reactive power support
 - Oversizing by 10% → Increase Q-capability of $\pm 46\%$
 - Active power support also desirable when R/X ratio is higher
- Voltage regulation through substation installations or distributed energy storage



Local Control Strategies

- Local voltage measurements
- No communication
- Control instability

Decentralized and Distributed Strategies

- Low-form of communication typically between neighboring nodes
- Improved control stability
- Does not guarantee optimality

Centralized Strategies

- Sophisticated communication
- Stability and optimality can be guaranteed

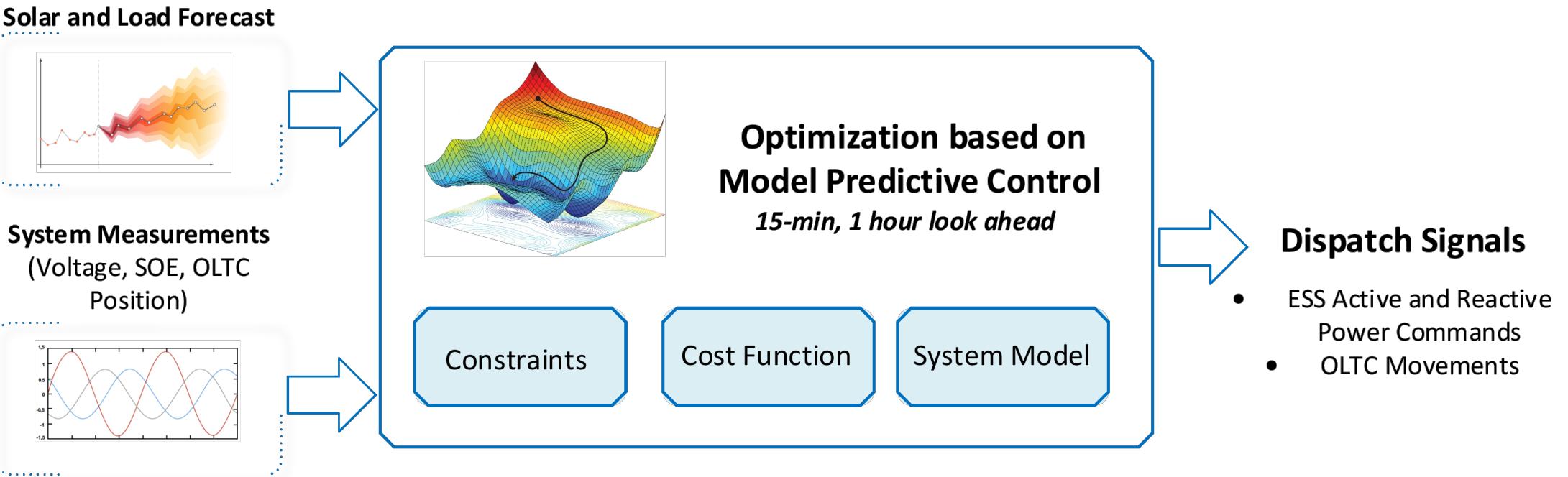
Control Strategies Utilizing
Model Predictive Control (MPC)
Framework

6 Objective of the Work

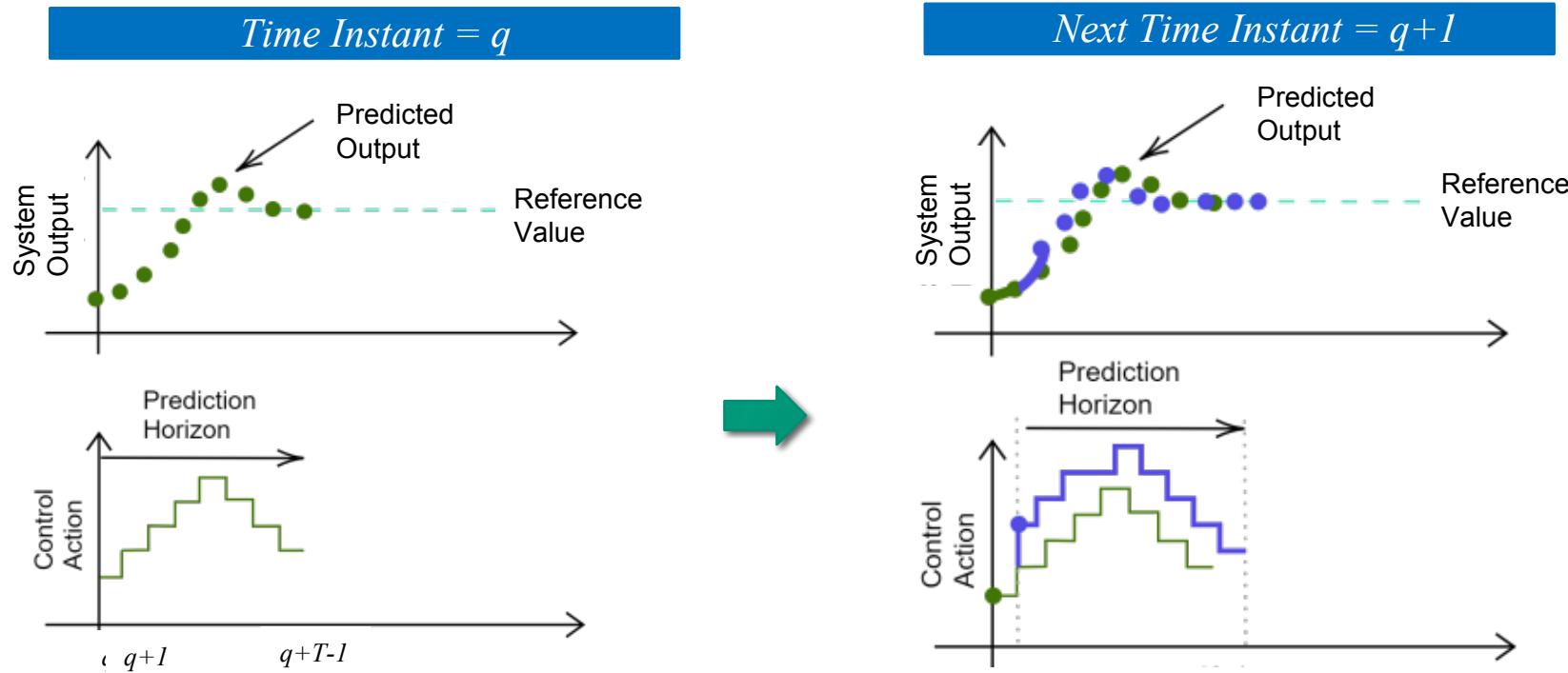


- Develop a dispatch framework using MPC to utilize energy storage for voltage regulation in distribution systems
- Minimize operation of traditional voltage regulators such as On Load Tap Changers (OLTCs)

Proposed Dispatch of Energy Storage Using Model Predictive Control

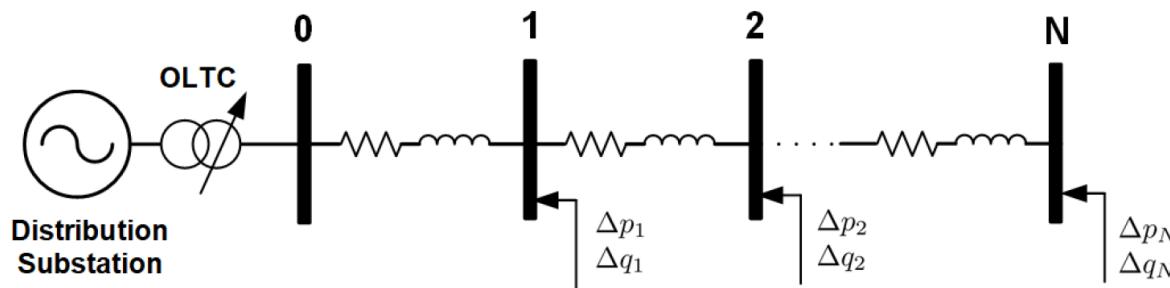


- Utilize renewable energy and load forecast information to optimally dispatch energy storage to:
 - Maintain system voltage within desired range
 - Limit operation of traditional devices such as OLTCs and capacitor banks



- Optimal control action computed based on prediction from a system model
- Cost function is defined to optimize system (reduce deviation, reduced power usage)
- Prediction horizon moves one-time step
- Optimization re-runs to calculate new optimal control

9 Modeling of Distribution Systems



$$\mathbf{x}(k) = [v_1(k) \ v_2(k) \ \dots \ v_N(k)]^T$$

Set of Node Voltages

$$\Delta\mathbf{u}(k) = [\Delta p_1(k) \ \dots \ \Delta p_N(k) \ \Delta q_1(k) \ \dots \ \Delta q_N(k) \ \Delta n_{oltc}(k)]^T$$

Set of Active and Reactive Injections and OLTC movements

Predictive Model

$$\mathbf{x}(k+1) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}(k) + \mathbf{B}\Delta\mathbf{u}(k) + \mathbf{D}\Delta\mathbf{d}(k)$$

Sensitivity Matrix

Describes voltage sensitivity to Δp , Δq , and Δn_{oltc}

- Predict voltage at the next sampling instant
- This model can be used as the “predictive” model to implement MPC based dispatch of ESSs



Objective Function

Minimize control actions Δp , Δq , and Δn_{oltc}

$$\min \sum_{k=1}^T \{R_n \mathbf{U}_n(k) + R_p \mathbf{U}_p(k) + R_q \mathbf{U}_q(k)\}$$

$\Delta n^+(k) + \Delta n^-(k)$ $\Delta p^+(k) + \Delta p^-(k)$ $\Delta q^+(k) + \Delta q^-(k)$

OLTC Movements *ESS Charge/Discharge* *Inductive/Capacitive Reactive Power*

Optimization Constraints

$$\mathbf{x}_{min} \leq \mathbf{x}(k) \leq \mathbf{x}_{max}$$

$$SOC(k) = SOC(k-1) + \frac{\tau}{T_{ess}}(\eta^{cd} p^+(k) - p^-(k))$$

$$SOC_{min} \leq SOC(k) \leq SOC_{max}$$

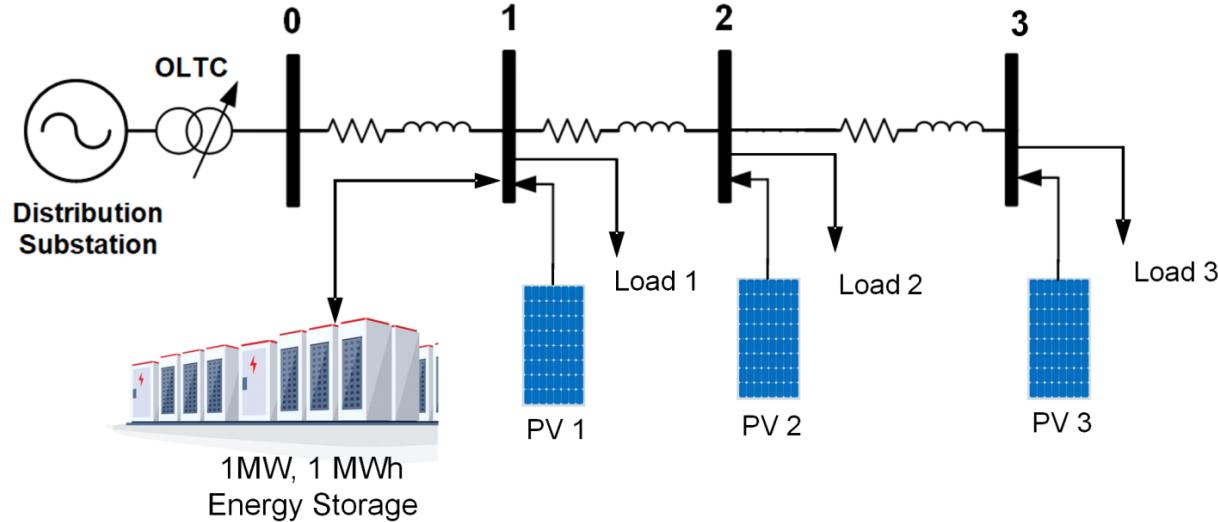
Other Charge/discharge constraints, inverter capability constraints (listed in paper)

- Prediction horizon (T) = 60 mins, optimal values for the control actions computed every 5 mins

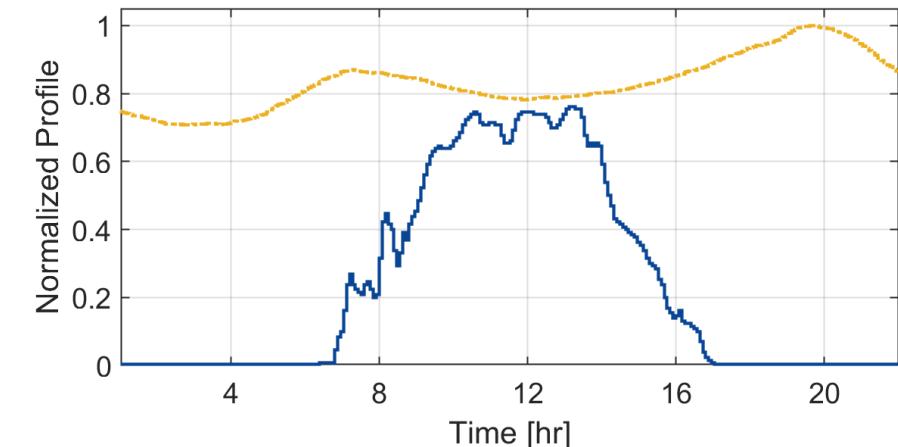
Simulation Setup



IEEE 4-bus Distribution Test Case



PV and Load Profiles for Month of May

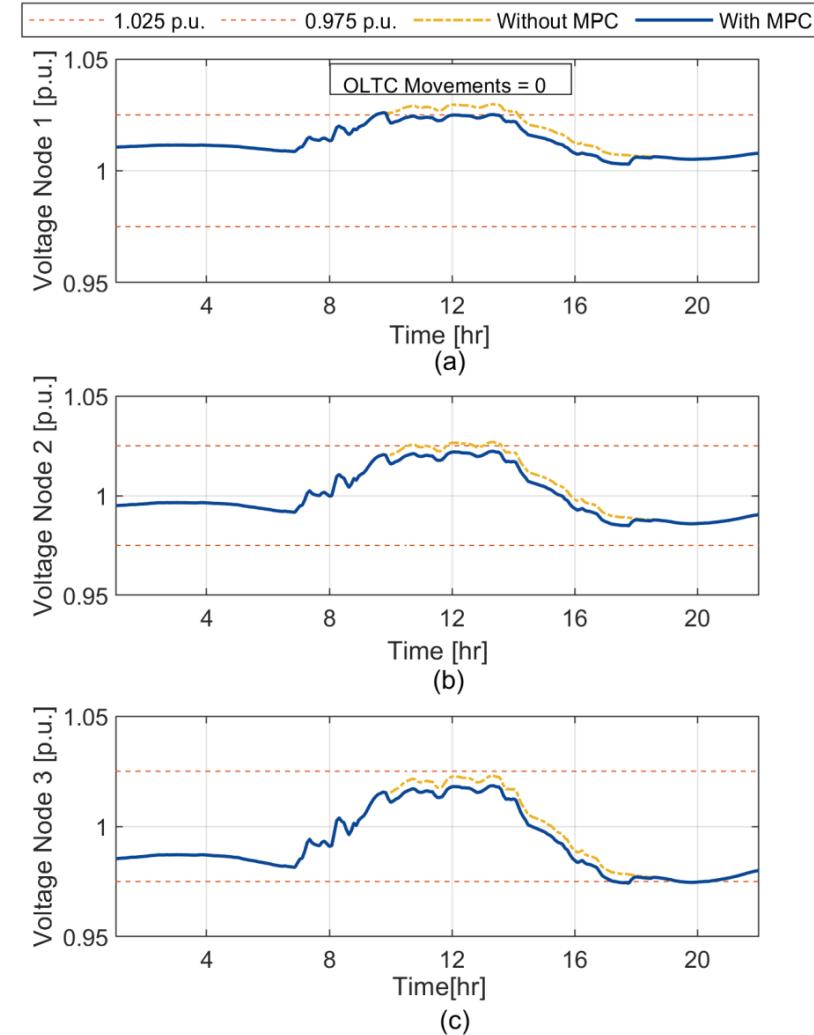


- Proposed method tested in 4-bus distribution system
- OLTC installed at the substation
- 3 MWp PV installed at each distribution node
- A 1 MW, 1 MWh energy storage unit assumed to be installed at the substation for voltage regulation

Results and Analysis: Voltage without MPC



- Analysis for month of May for single day of operation
- 3 MW PV at each node along with a load
- **Without MPC voltage exceeds range**
 - Overvoltage at nodes 1 and 2
 - Middle of the day
 - High generation and low load causing reverse power flow
 - Drastic drop in PV generation at night causing undervoltage

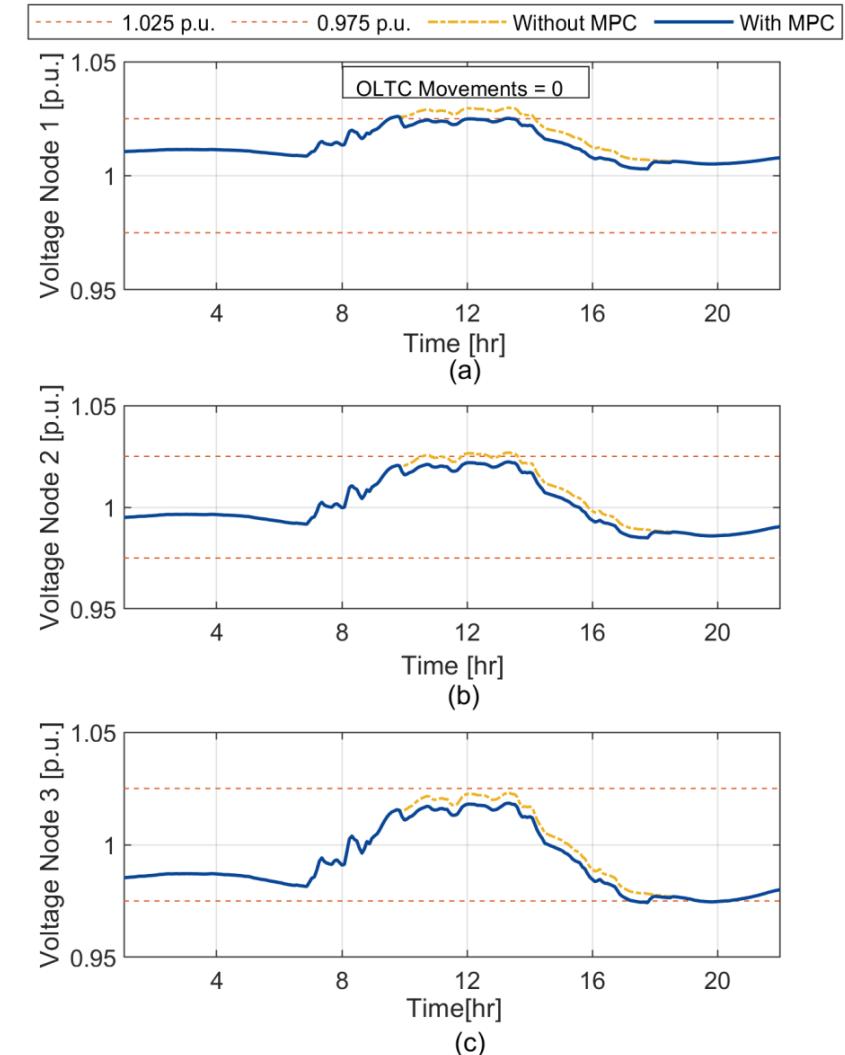
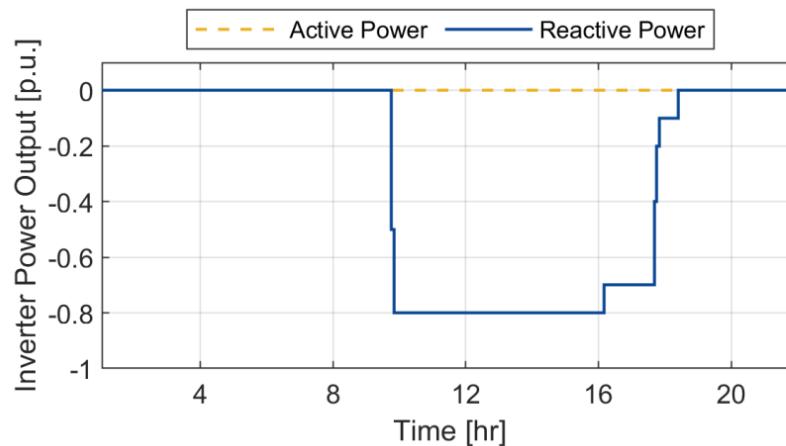


Results and Analysis: Voltage with MPC (Prioritizing ESS Operation)

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- MPC weight settings
 - $R_n = 1.0$
 - $R_p = 0.001$
 - $R_q = 0.00001$
- Perfect forecast information assumed
- MPC-based dispatch with ESS priority over OLTC
 - Voltage of all three node within specified limits
 - No OLTC movements observed



Results and Analysis: Voltage with MPC (Prioritizing OLTC Movements)

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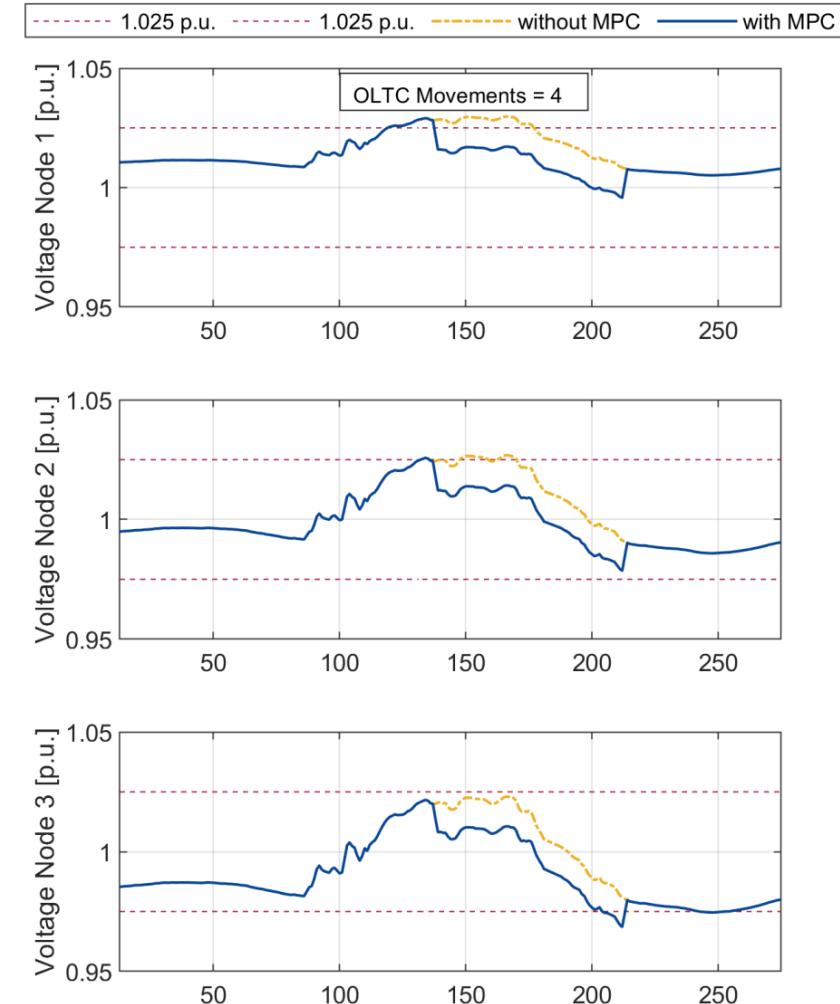


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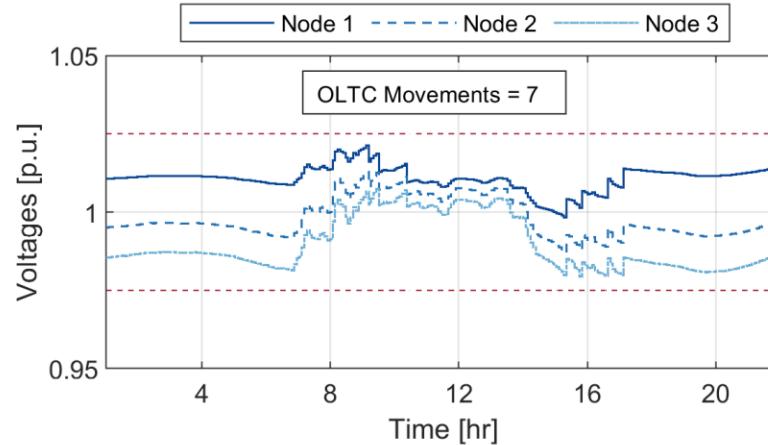
- Voltage of all three node within specified limits
- Four OLTC movements observed
- No active/reactive power support provided by ESS



Results and Analysis: Voltage with OLTC only (no MPC dispatch)



Voltage Profiles for a day in month of May



Month of the year	with MPC dispatch	with traditional OLTC (no MPC dispatch)
May	0	7
July	0	4
September	0	2
December	0	0

- No MPC, but OLTC enabled to compare reduction in movements
- OLTC Settings:
 - Set-point = 0.99 p.u.
 - Deadband = $\pm 2\%$
 - Percent regulation = 0.00625 p.u.
 - Measurement point = Node 3 (No line drop compensation)
- High number of OLTC movements without MPC
 - May have negative impacts on OLTC lifetime



- MPC-based dispatch strategy for ESSs to provide voltage regulation formulated
- Provide active and reactive power support utilizing 1-hour ahead PV and load forecast
- Minimize OLTC operation
 - Keeping voltage within desired range
 - Increase lifetime of mechanical OLTC devices
- Future work will include incorporating uncertainties in forecasts and ESS degradation aspects

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