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GridPACK-Wind: High-Performance Modeling and Simulation Tool for Wind Integration

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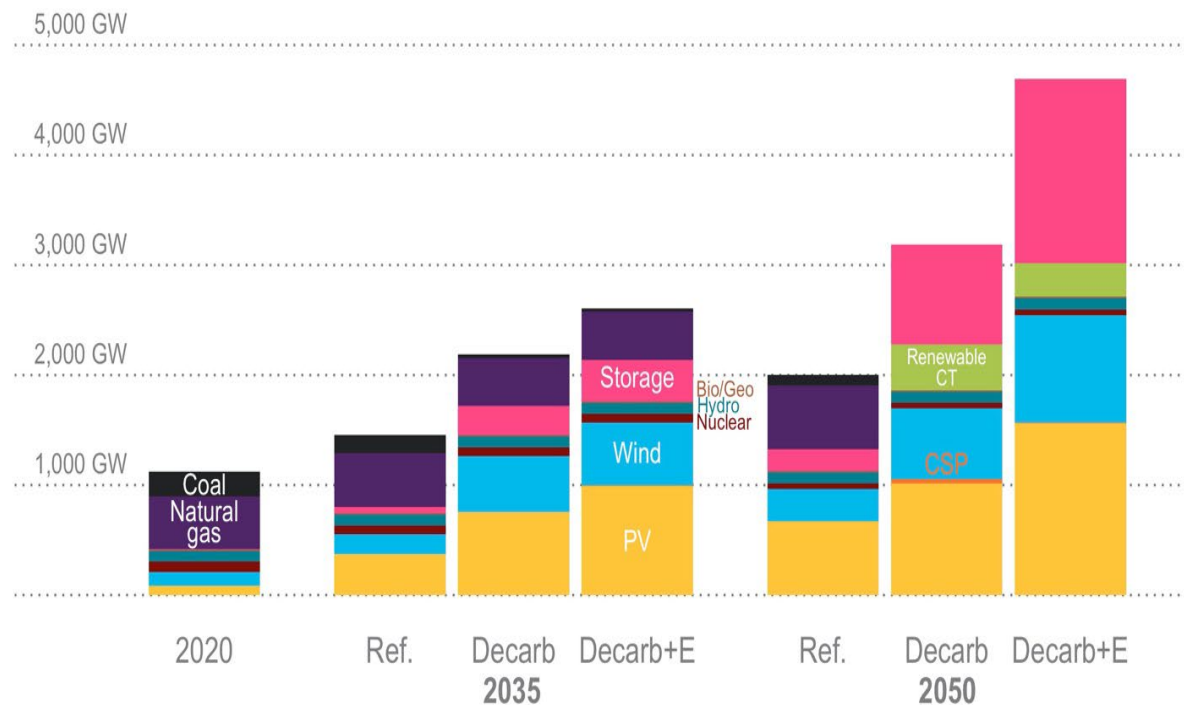


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System challenges in clean energy and decarbonization

US Electricity Generation Projection



Credit: DOE EERE SETO Solar Futures Study 2021.

- System trends
 - 3.5X projected capacity increase from 2020
 - Expected retirement of conventional generation sources
- System challenges
 - Increased uncertainty
 - Low-inertia systems with IBRs
 - Power electronics heavy
- Modeling and simulation challenges
 - Large number of scenarios
 - Larger/more complex EMT system model
 - Slow simulation speed

GridPACK-Wind: project overview

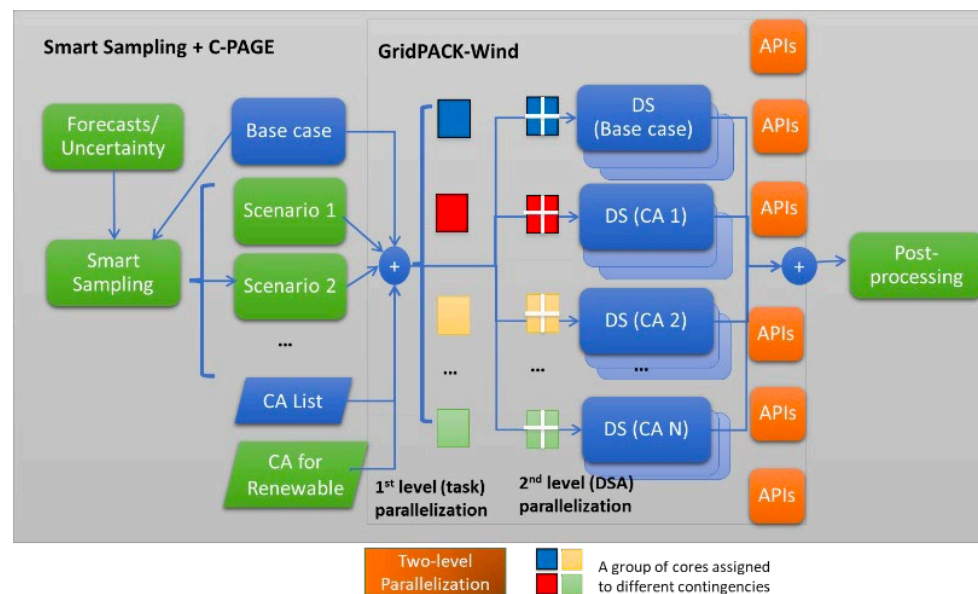
- Funded jointly by DOE EERE-WETO and DOE-OE AGM
- Duration: Three years. Started June 2022
- High-performance (parallel computing) dynamics simulation for wind-heavy systems
- GridPACK-Wind: an extension of GridPACK for wind heavy systems
 - On-shore and off-shore wind plant and controller models
 - Uncertainty quantification through dynamic stability analysis
 - Large-scale high-performance EMT simulation



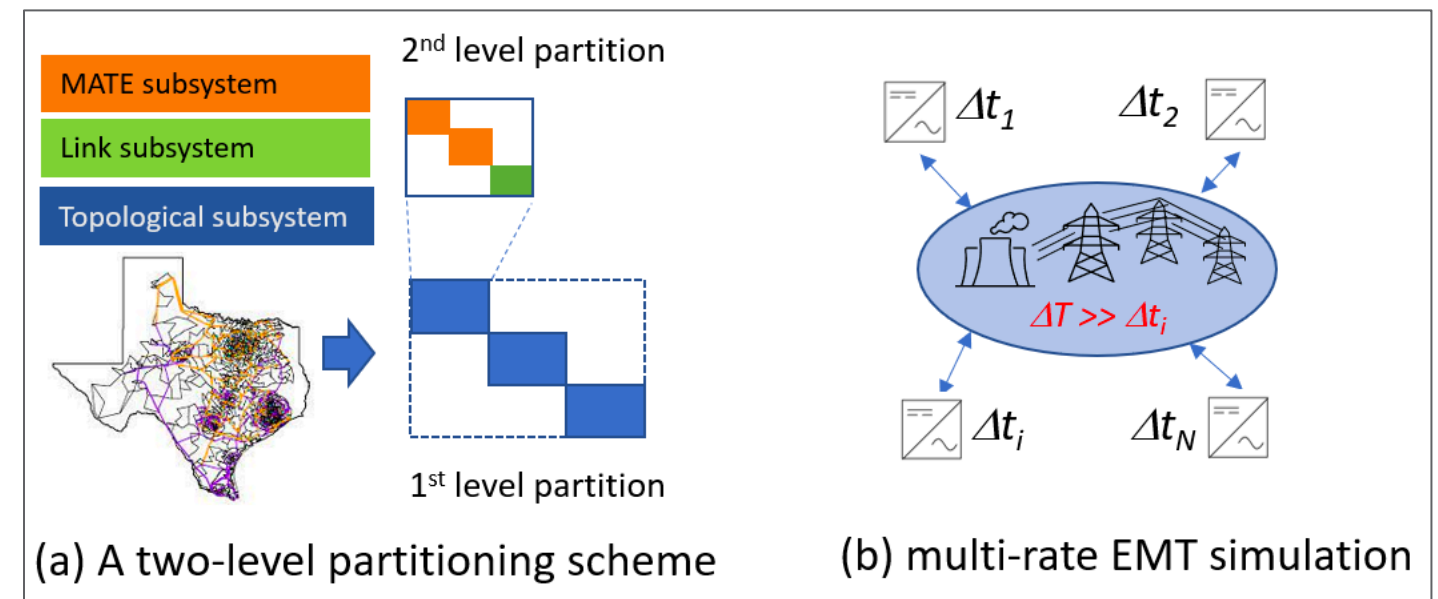
GridPACK-Wind: technical thrusts

- Three technical thrusts:
 1. Massive dynamic contingency analysis for wind-uncertainty scenarios
 2. Electromagnetic simulation engine
 3. Validation and performance assessment

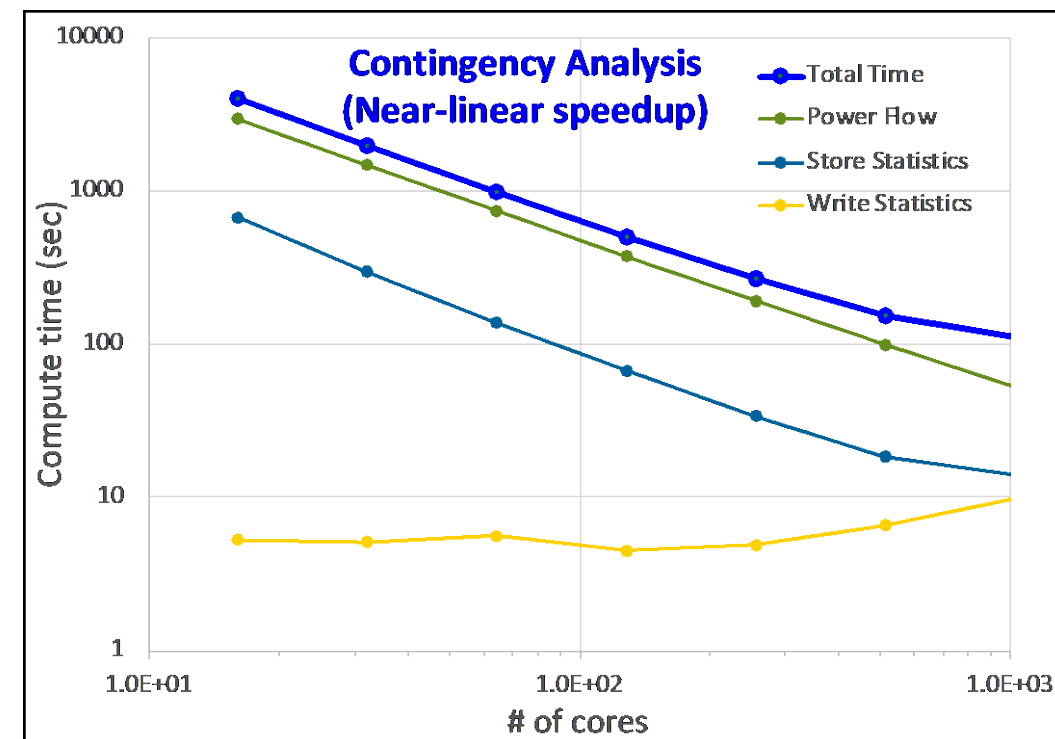
Dynamic contingency analysis



EMT simulation engine

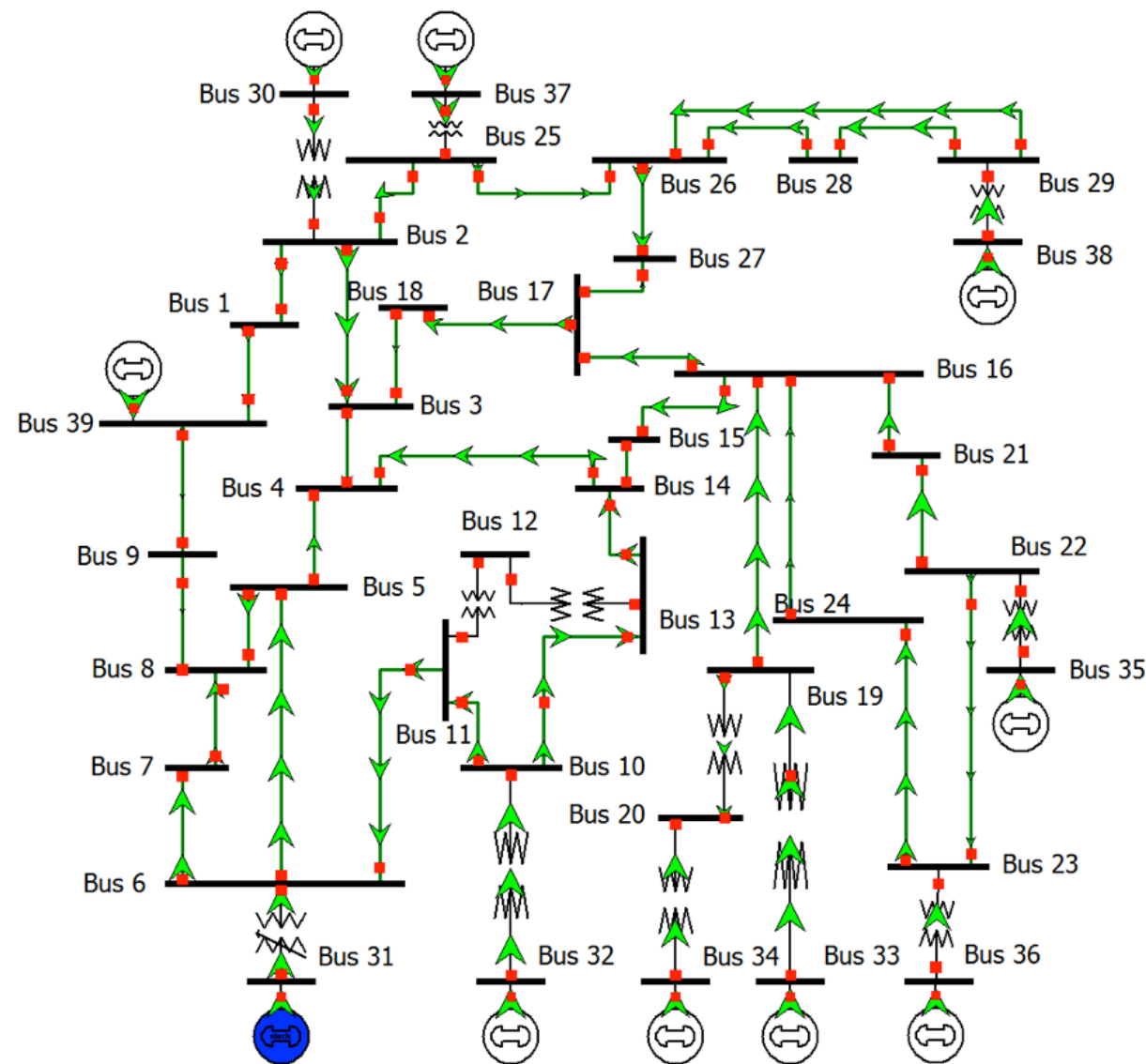


- GridPACK – an open-source grid-specific HPC programming library/framework
- GridPACK functionality
 - Power Flow and Contingency Analysis (CA)
 - Transient Simulation and Dynamic Security Assessment (DSA), under uncertainty with 2-level parallelism
 - Task manager to support Windows-based tools
 - Real-time path rating
 - Cloud version
- GridPACK application examples
 - HPC-powered remedial action schemes
 - WECC path rating studies in 10 minutes
 - ML-based emergency control
 - T & D co-simulation (GridPACK + HELICS + GridLAB-D) for large-scale inverter-based system studies



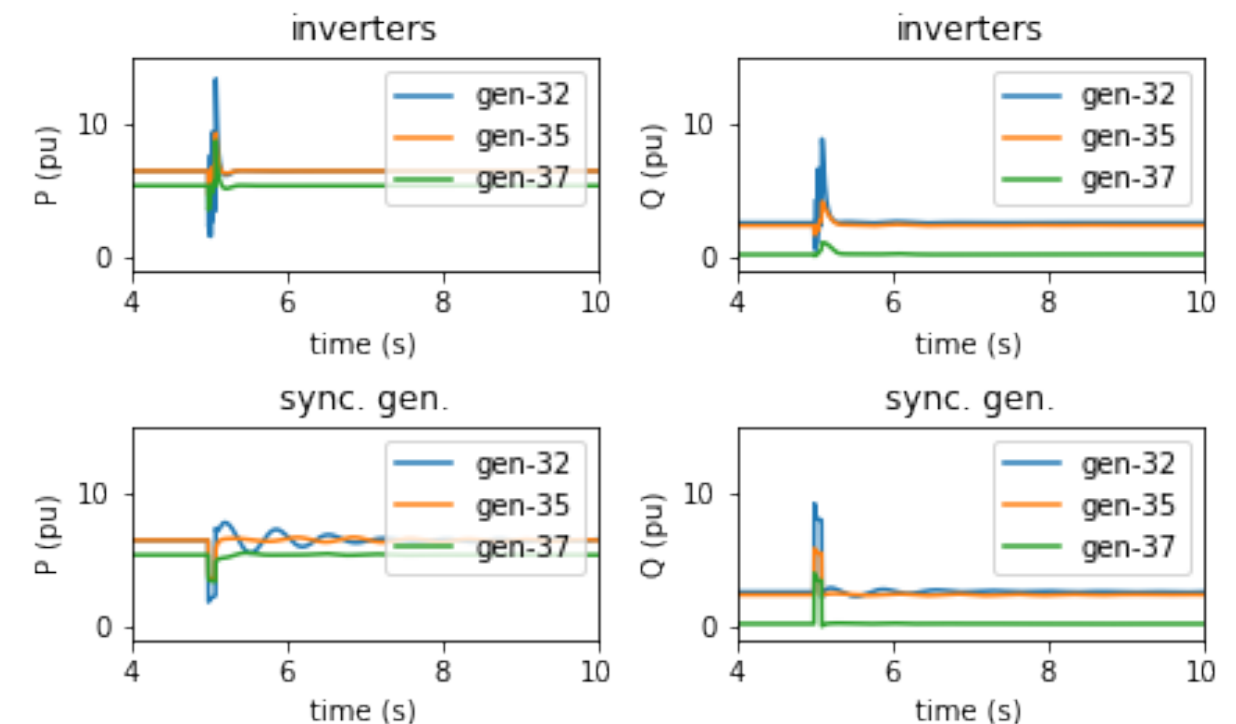
No. of Cores	20 sec Full WECC Transient simulation (sec)
1	72.9
2	45.0
4	31.0
8	23.0
16	19.5

Existing IBR model components in GridPACK

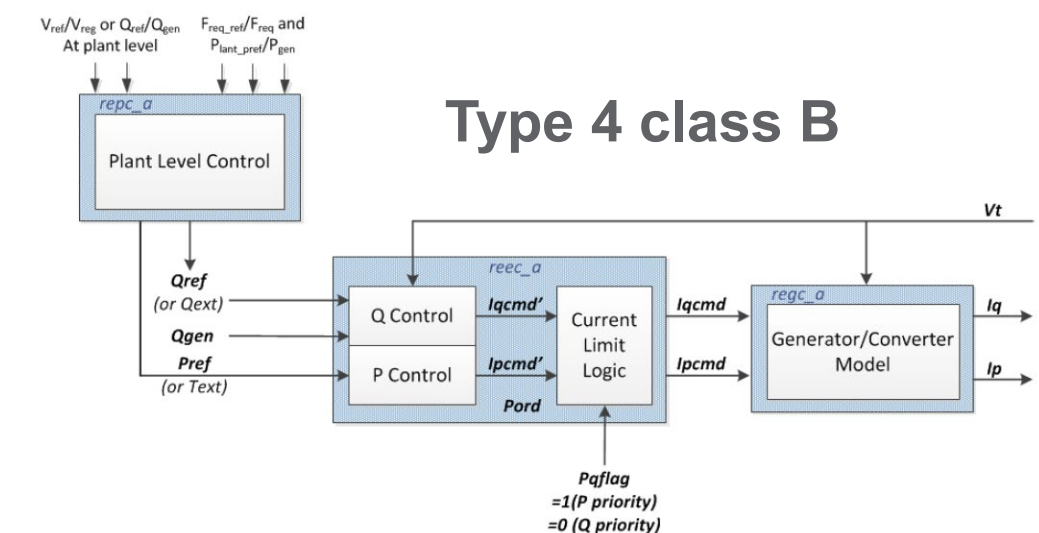
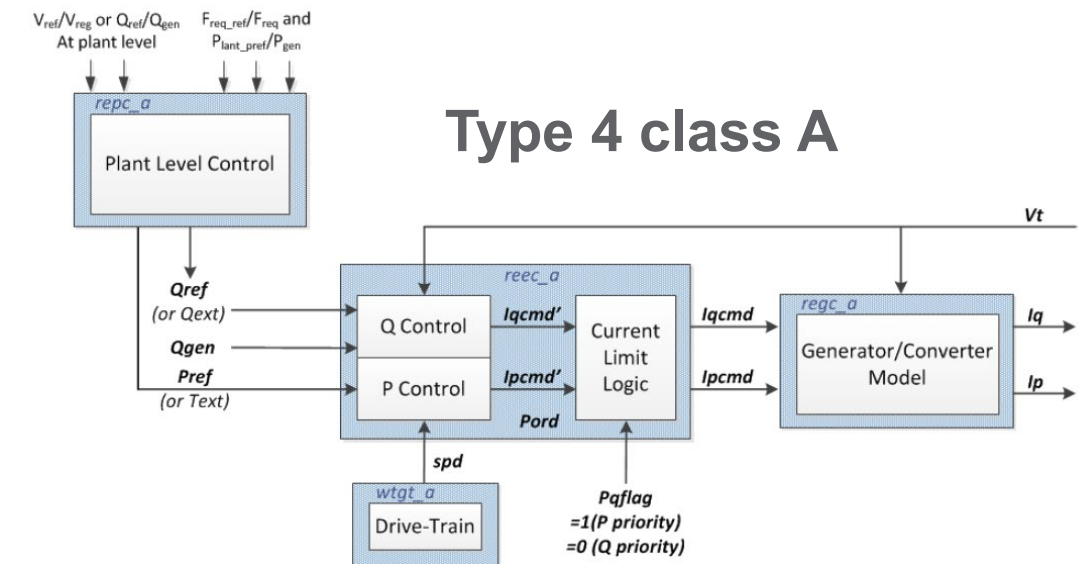
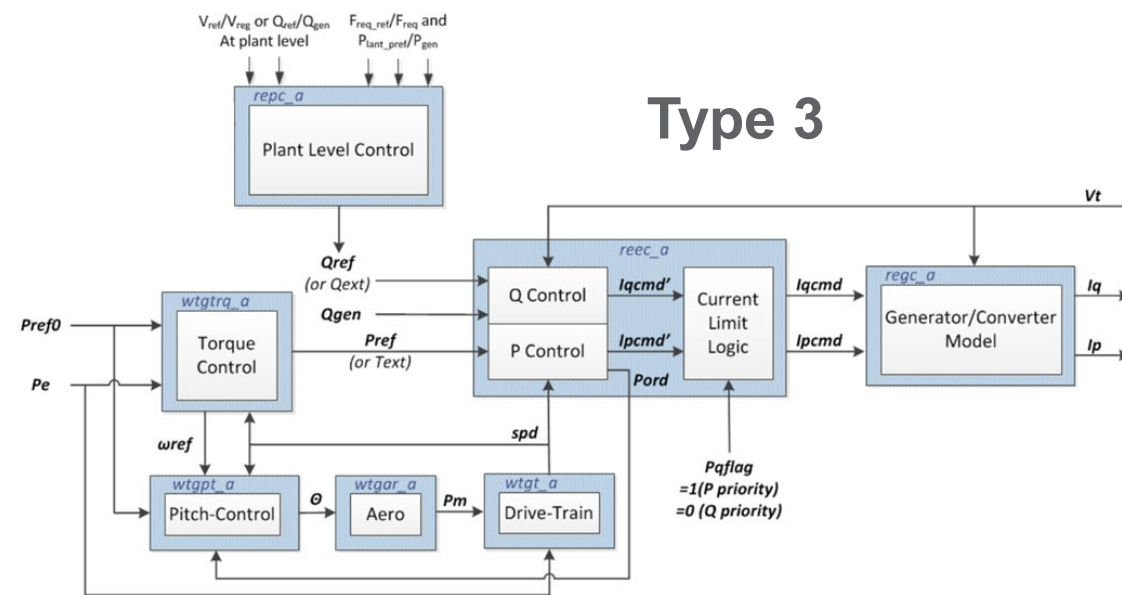


- Existing IBR component models in GridPACK:
 - Grid-following: REGC_A, REEC_A, REPC_A (Type 4 wind without drive train model)
 - Grid-forming: droop-controlled inverter model GFMDRP_A¹ (Assume constant DC-side voltage)
- In this study, the original synchronous generators are replaced by grid-following inverters at Buses 32, 35 and 37
- A 0.1s fault is applied at Bus 4

Real and Reactive Power (Based on 100 MVA)



1. https://www.wecc.org/Reliability/Model%20Specification%20of%20Droop-Controlled,%20Grid-Forming%20Inverters_PNNL-V2-Final.pdf

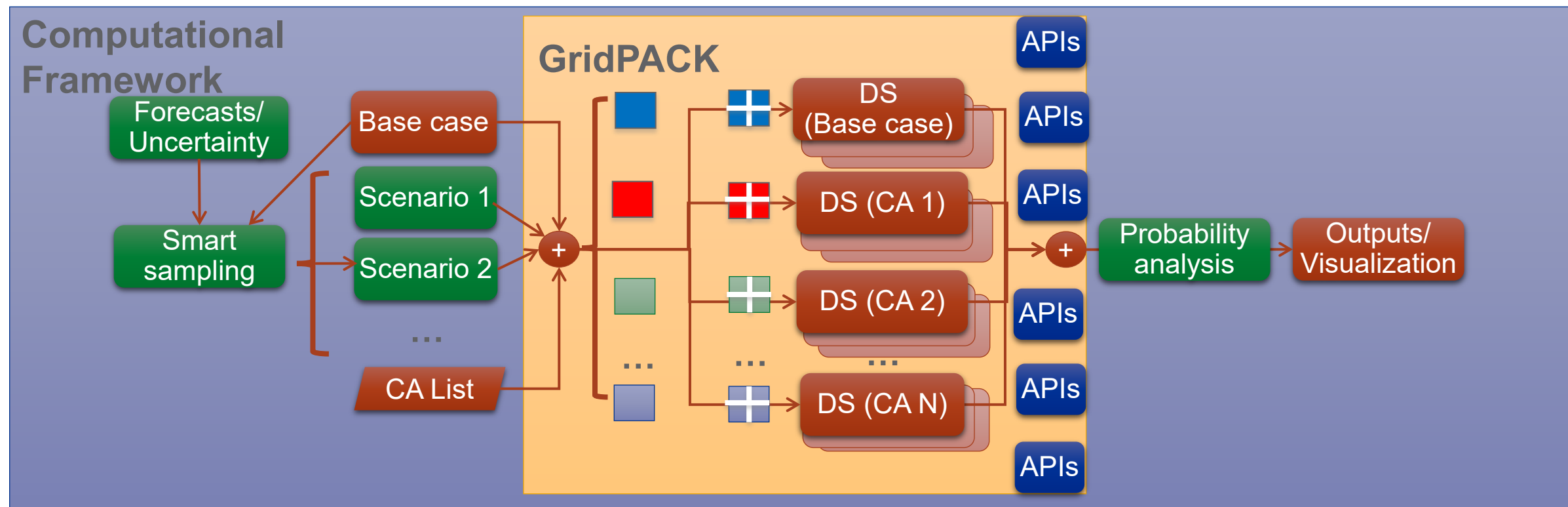


RES	Model combination
Type-3 WTG	REGC_A(OR_B), REEC_A(OR_D), REPC_A, WTGT_A, WTGA_A, WTGP_A, WTGQ_A
Type-4 WTG	REGC_A(OR_B), REEC_A(OR_D), REPC_A (Optional: WTGT_A; Preferred WTGT_B when available)

1. WECC REMTF – Type 3 Generic Wind Turbine Generator Model (Phase II)
2. WECC REMTF – Type 4 Generic Wind Turbine Generator Model (Phase II)

Dynamic security assessment (DSA) under uncertainty

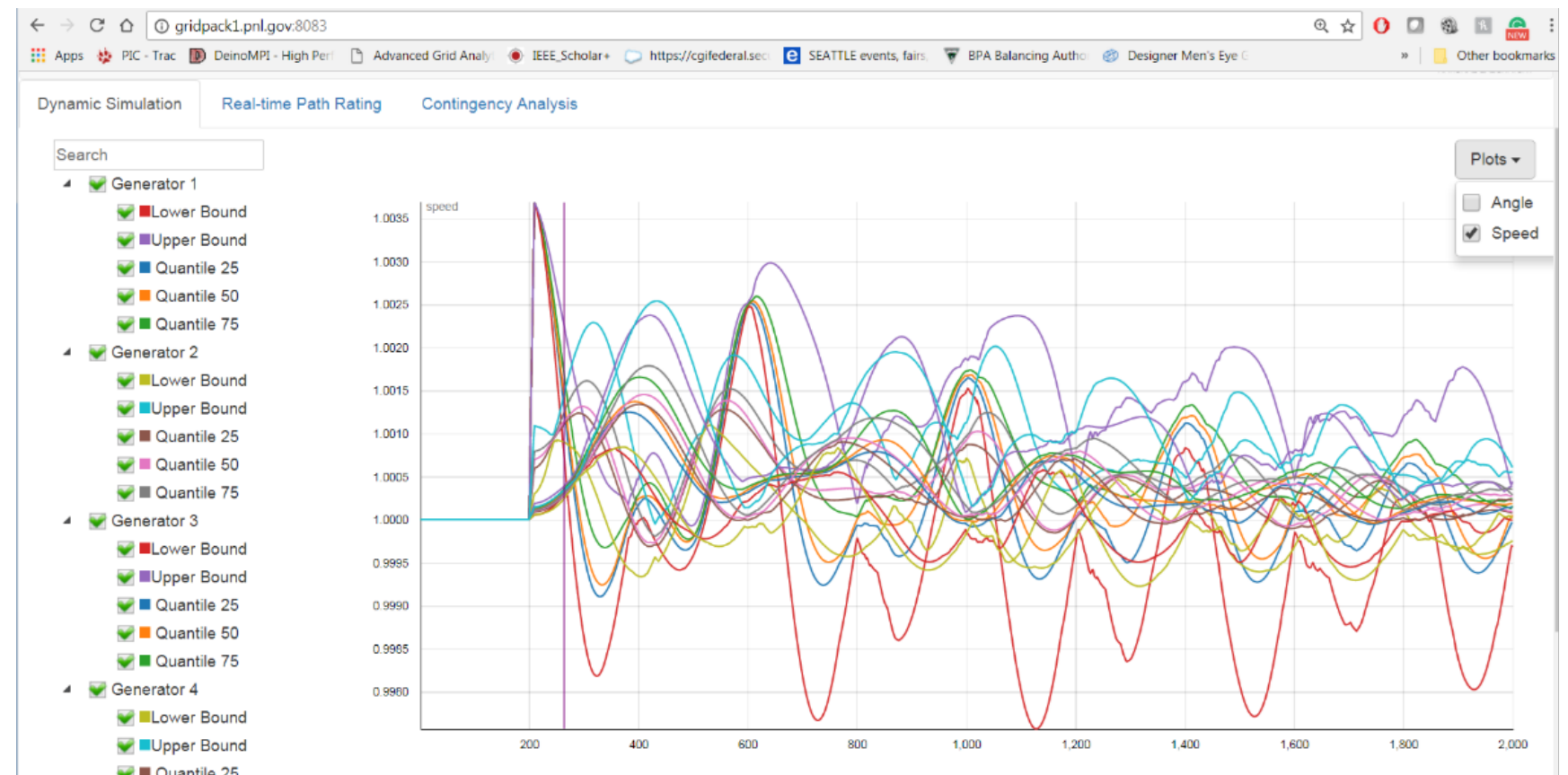
- GridPACK application for uncertainty analysis (includes contingencies)



Prior results of DSA on ESCA-60 bus system

Simulation time (sec)	10
Time step (sec)	0.005
# of scenarios	127
# of contingencies	10
# of cases	1270
# of monitored generators	4

# of cores	Time (sec)	Speedup
2	240	2
5	100	4.8
11	50	9.6
23	23	20.5
46	12.5	38.3



Variable time-stepping in GridPACK

- Implicit integration algorithms
 - Backward Euler, Trapezoidal, Runge-Kutta, Rosenbrock, BDF

- Variable time-stepping

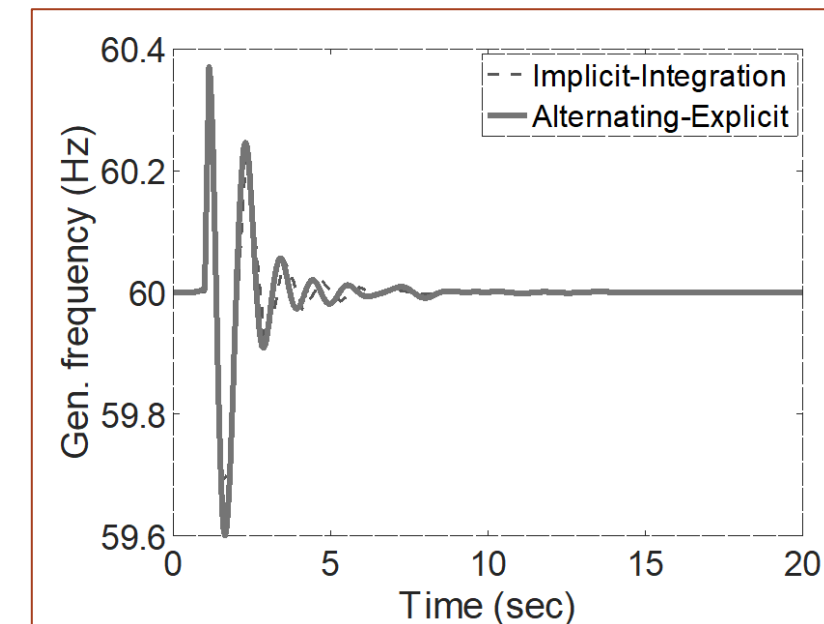
$$h_{n+1} = h_n \left(\frac{\epsilon_{abs} + \max(x_n, \hat{x}_n) \epsilon_{rel}}{\|x_n - \hat{x}_n\|} \right)^q$$

- Handling discontinuities

$$\begin{cases} x - x^+ = 0, & \text{if } x \geq x^+ \\ x - x^- = 0, & \text{if } x \leq x^- \\ \dot{x} = f(x, y), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

[S. Abhyankar, R. Huang, S. Jin, B. Palmer, W. Perkins, Y. Chen, "Implicit-Integration dynamics simulation with the GridPACK framework", Proceedings of 2021 IEEE Power & Energy Society General Meeting](#)

- Accuracy



- Performance

# of cores	Alternating-Explicit	Implicit-Integration
1	72.32	47.63
2	42.1	32.51
4	25.8	18.73
8	18.1	14.59
16	18.1	12.91
32	21.5	15.21

GridPACK-Wind: project team



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- Yuan Liu
- Bruce Palmer
- Bill Perkins
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- Shuangshuang Jin



- Benjamin Donnot
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Industry advisors



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GridPACK-Wind: project timeline

- Three Years: 06/01/2022 – 05/31/2025
- FY22
 - Extend **dynamic contingency analysis** for wind uncertainty
 - Wind power plant models
 - Variable time-stepping dynamics simulation
- FY23
 - Dynamic contingency analysis for synthetic Texas system with wind uncertainty scenarios
 - **EMT simulation engine core** development including typically electromagnetic models
- FY24
 - EMT simulation engine development incorporating on-shore and off-shore wind plant models
 - Interface GridPACK-Wind with RTE France's Grid2Op tool
- FY25
 - GridPACK-Wind performance assessment and validation, incl. Grid2Op + GridPACK-Wind

Summary

- GridPACK-Wind
 - Three-year project funded by DOE-EERE and DOE-OE AGM
 - High-performance modeling and simulation for wind heavy systems
- Looking for inputs on
 - Modeling suggestions for on-shore and offshore wind plants
 - Example power grid networks for testing dynamics simulation, EMT simulation
 - Data/models for testing/validation
 - Any comments, suggestions

Thank you

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