

# Integrating Wind in Ireland: Experience and Studies

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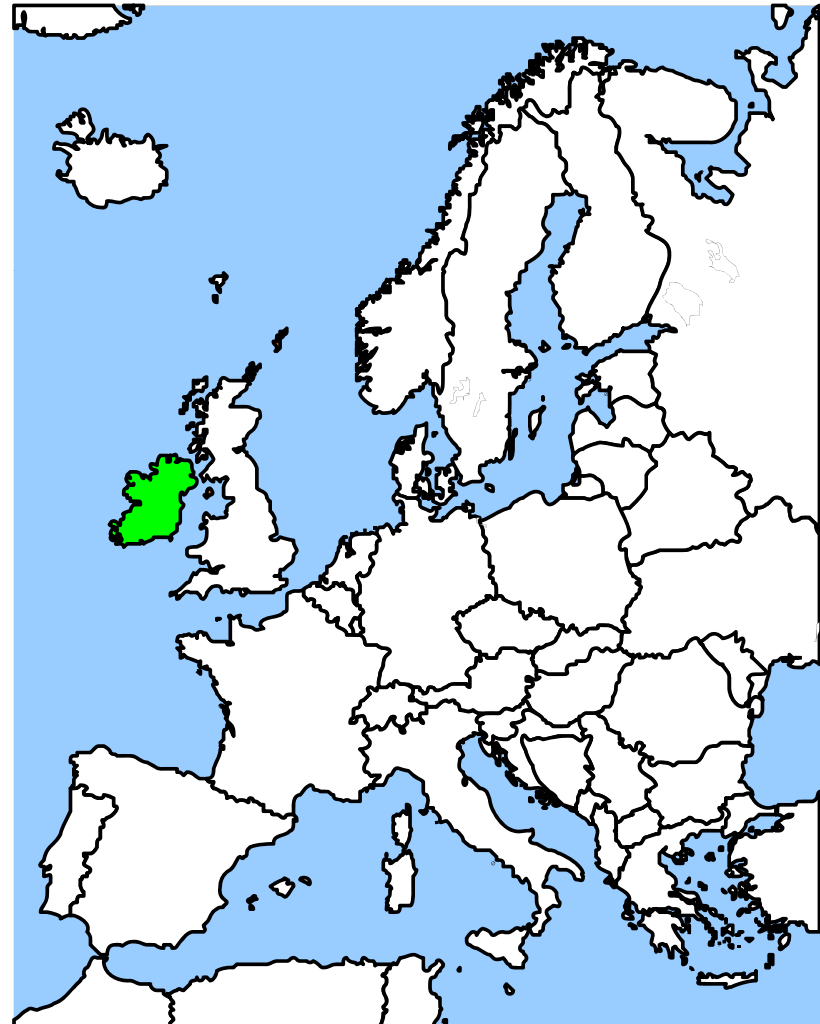
Ireland has a unique renewable  
resource & technical environment

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# Ireland: All Island Grid

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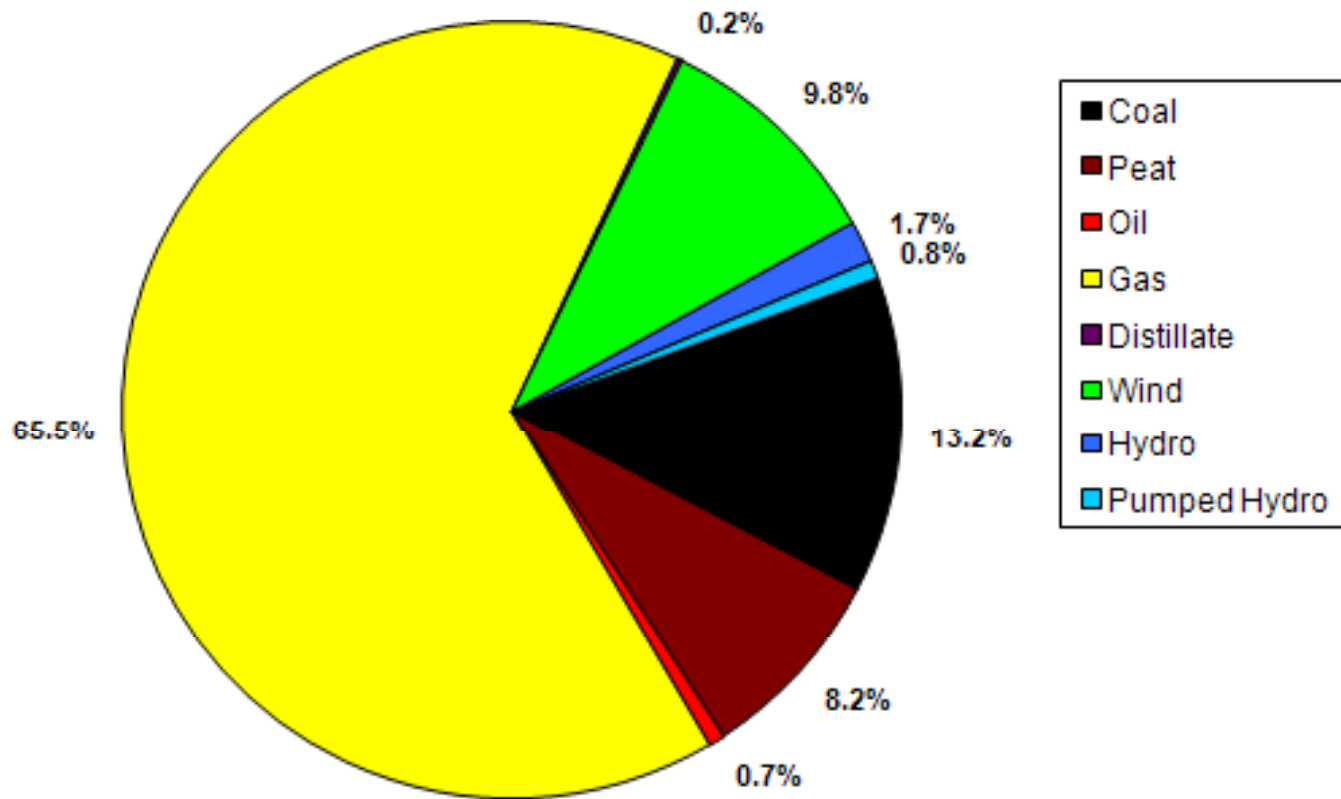
- Republic of Ireland (RoI) & Northern Ireland
- 9.7 GW Installed
- 1.8 GW Wind (> 10 % energy)
- 450 HVDC to GB
- Max load: 6.5 GW
- Min load: 2.4 GW



# Reliance on imported fossil fuel (RoI)

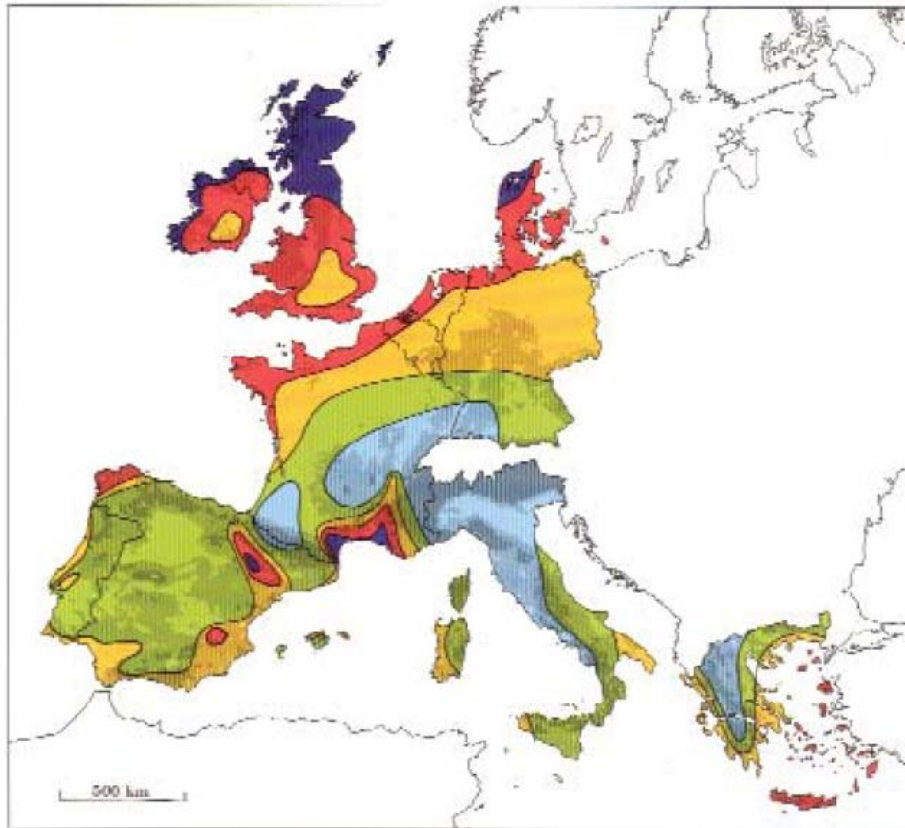
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### Fuel Mix 2010 Year-to-date



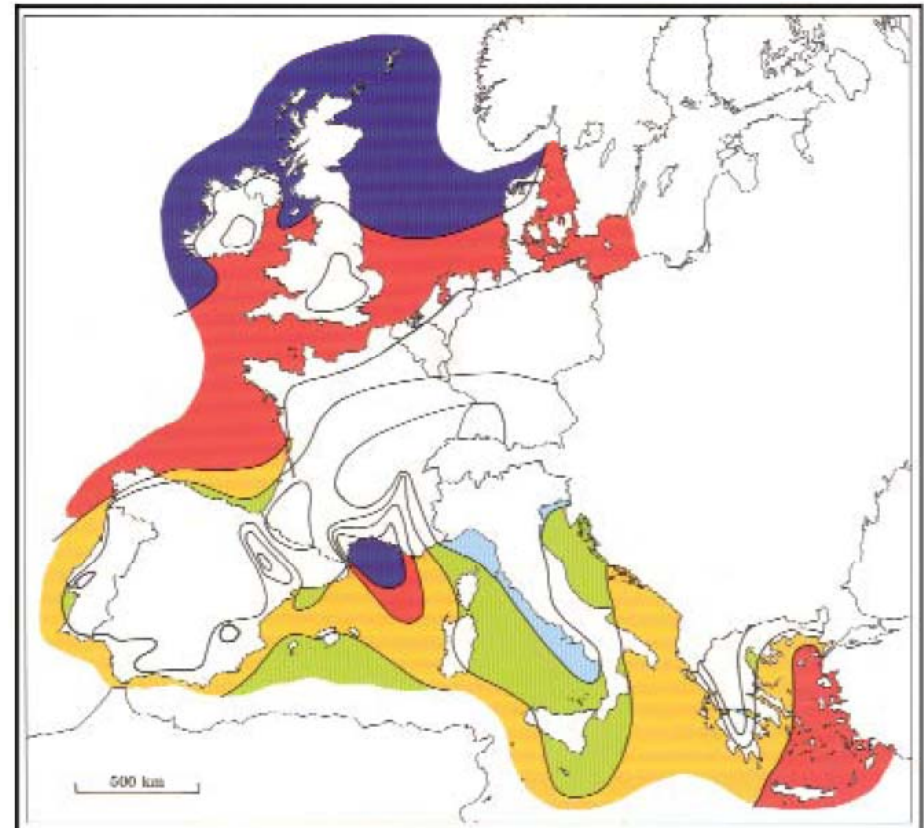
# European Wind Resources

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Wind resources<sup>1</sup> at 50 metres above ground level for five different topographic conditions

Sheltered terrain <sup>2</sup>		Open plain <sup>3</sup>		At coast crest <sup>4</sup>		Open sea <sup>5</sup>		Hills and ridges <sup>6</sup>	
ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>
> 6.0	> 250	> 7.5	> 500	> 8.5	> 700	> 9.0	> 800	> 11.5	> 1800
5.0-6.0	150-250	6.5-7.5	300-500	7.0-8.5	400-700	8.0-9.0	600-800	10.0-11.5	1200-1800
4.5-6.0	100-150	5.5-6.5	200-300	6.0-7.0	250-400	7.0-8.0	400-600	8.5-10.0	700-1200
3.5-4.5	50-100	4.5-5.5	100-200	5.0-6.0	150-250	5.5-7.0	200-400	7.0-8.5	400-700
< 3.5	< 50	< 4.5	< 100	< 5.0	< 150	< 5.5	< 200	< 7.0	< 600



Wind resources over open sea (more than 10 km offshore) for five standard heights

10 m		25 m		50 m		100 m		200 m	
ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>	ms <sup>-1</sup>	Wm <sup>-2</sup>
> 8.0	> 600	> 8.5	> 700	> 9.0	> 800	> 10.0	> 1100	> 11.0	> 1500
7.0-8.0	350-600	7.5-8.5	450-700	8.0-9.0	600-800	8.5-10.0	650-1100	9.5-11.0	900-1500
6.0-7.0	250-300	6.5-7.5	300-450	7.0-8.0	400-600	7.5-8.5	450-850	8.0-9.5	800-900
4.5-6.0	100-250	5.0-6.5	150-300	5.5-7.0	200-400	6.0-7.5	250-450	6.5-8.0	300-600
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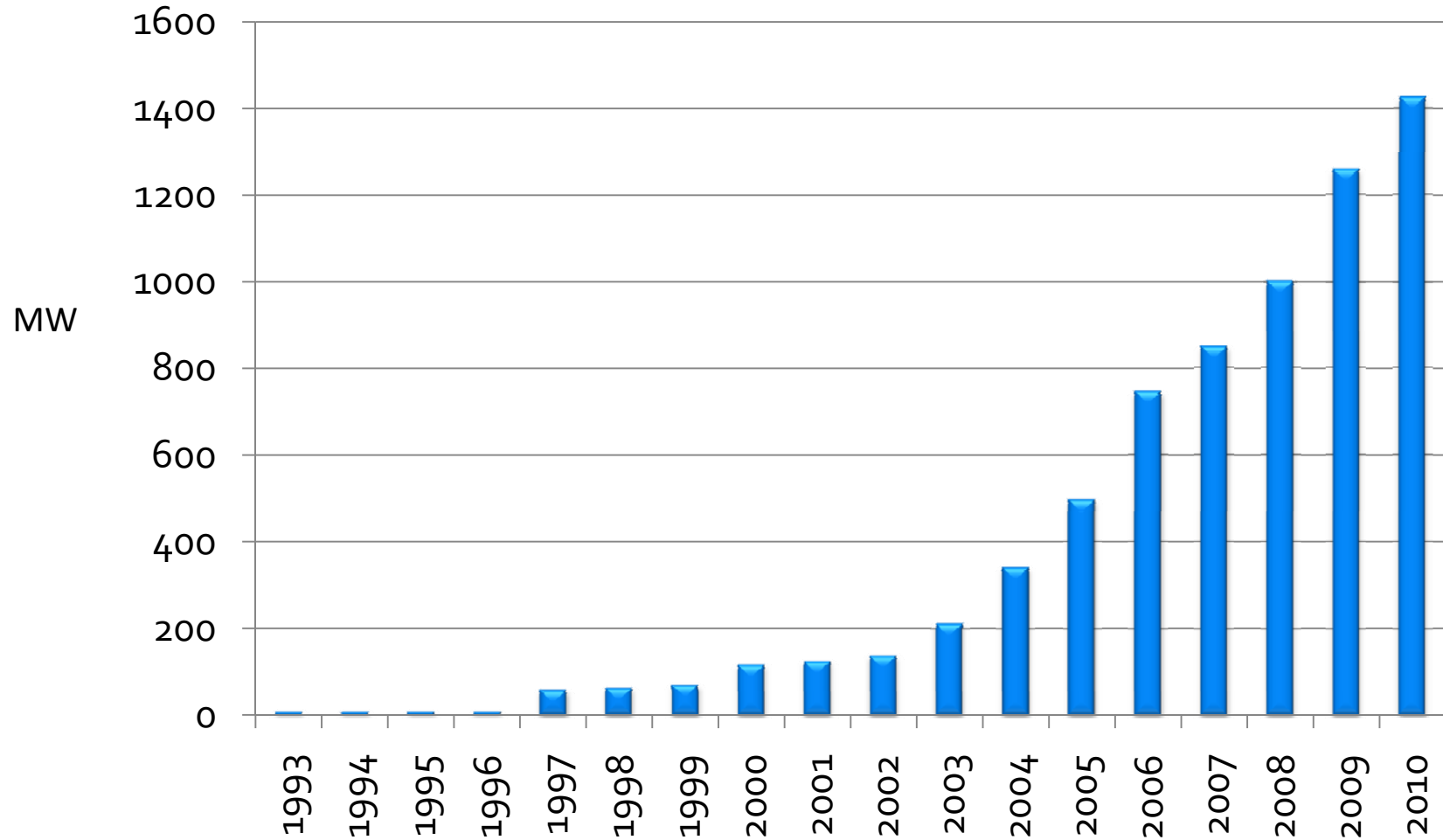
Onshore

Offshore

Sustainable development commission, Wind Power in the UK, 2005

# Wind Installed in Republic of Ireland

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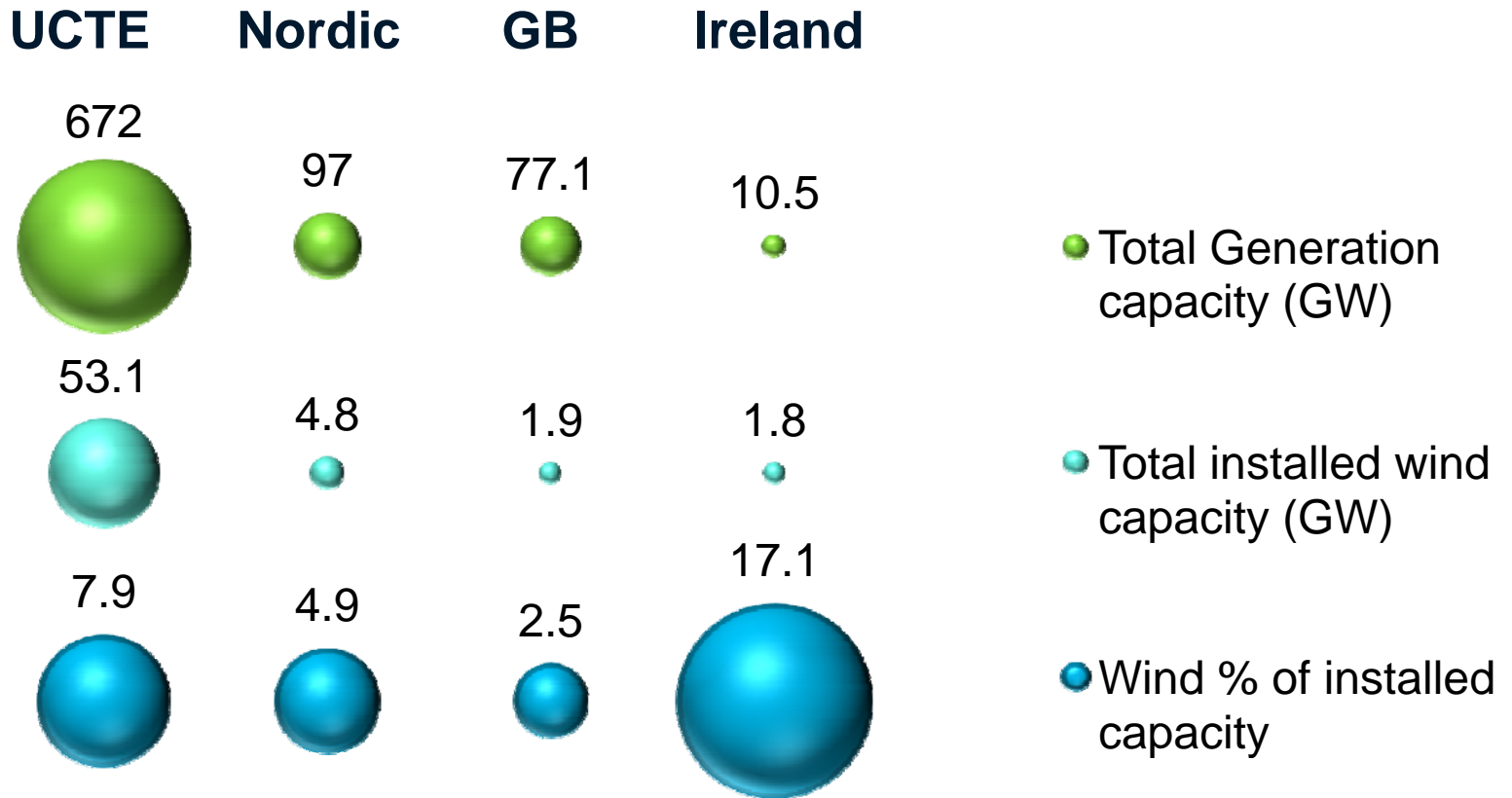


Source: EirGrid



# Ireland: Very High Wind Penetration

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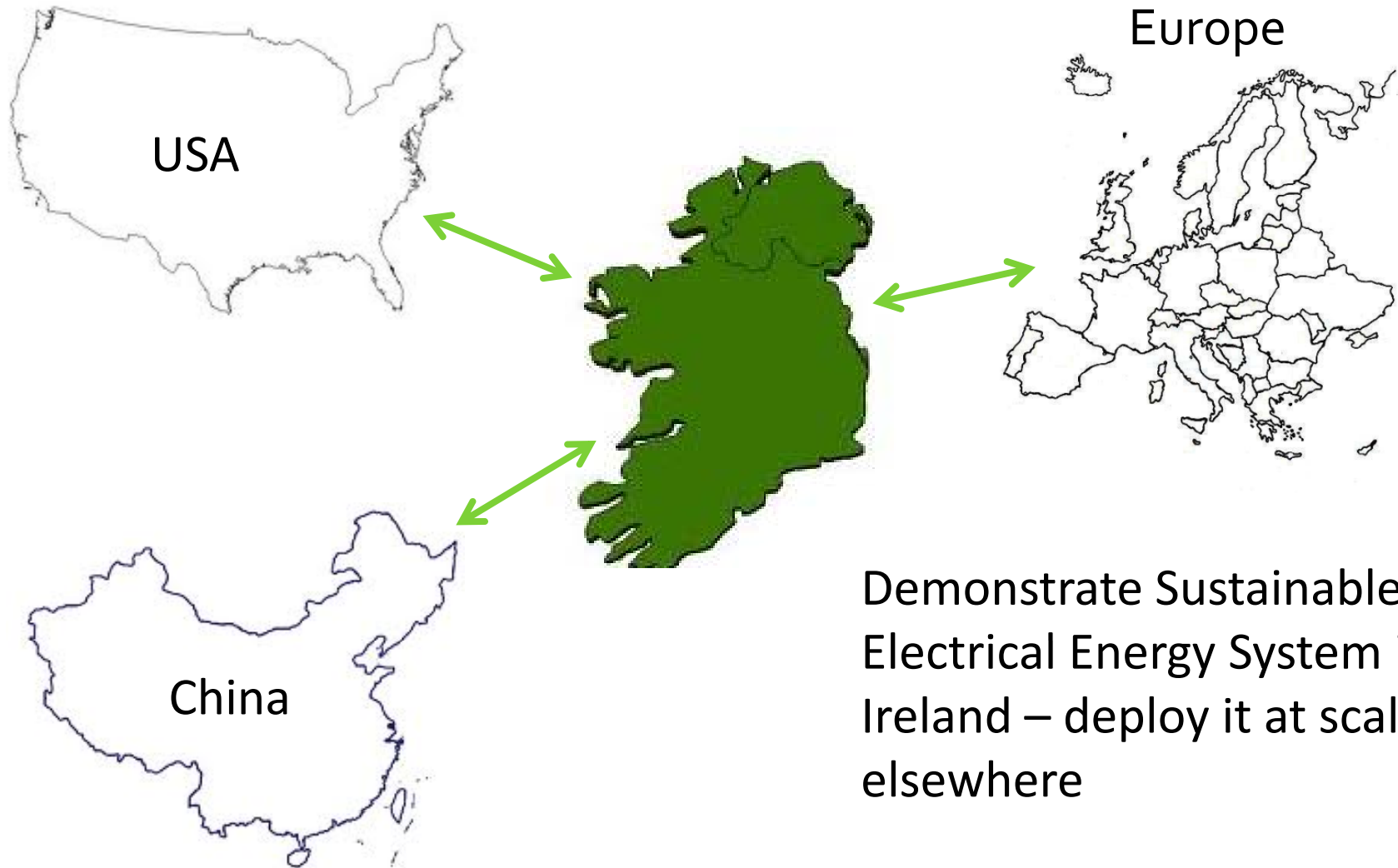


Figures for end 2008

Source: Global wind energy outlook 2008, EirGrid, UK National Grid, NORDEL, Eurelectric

# Ireland, an exemplar for the world

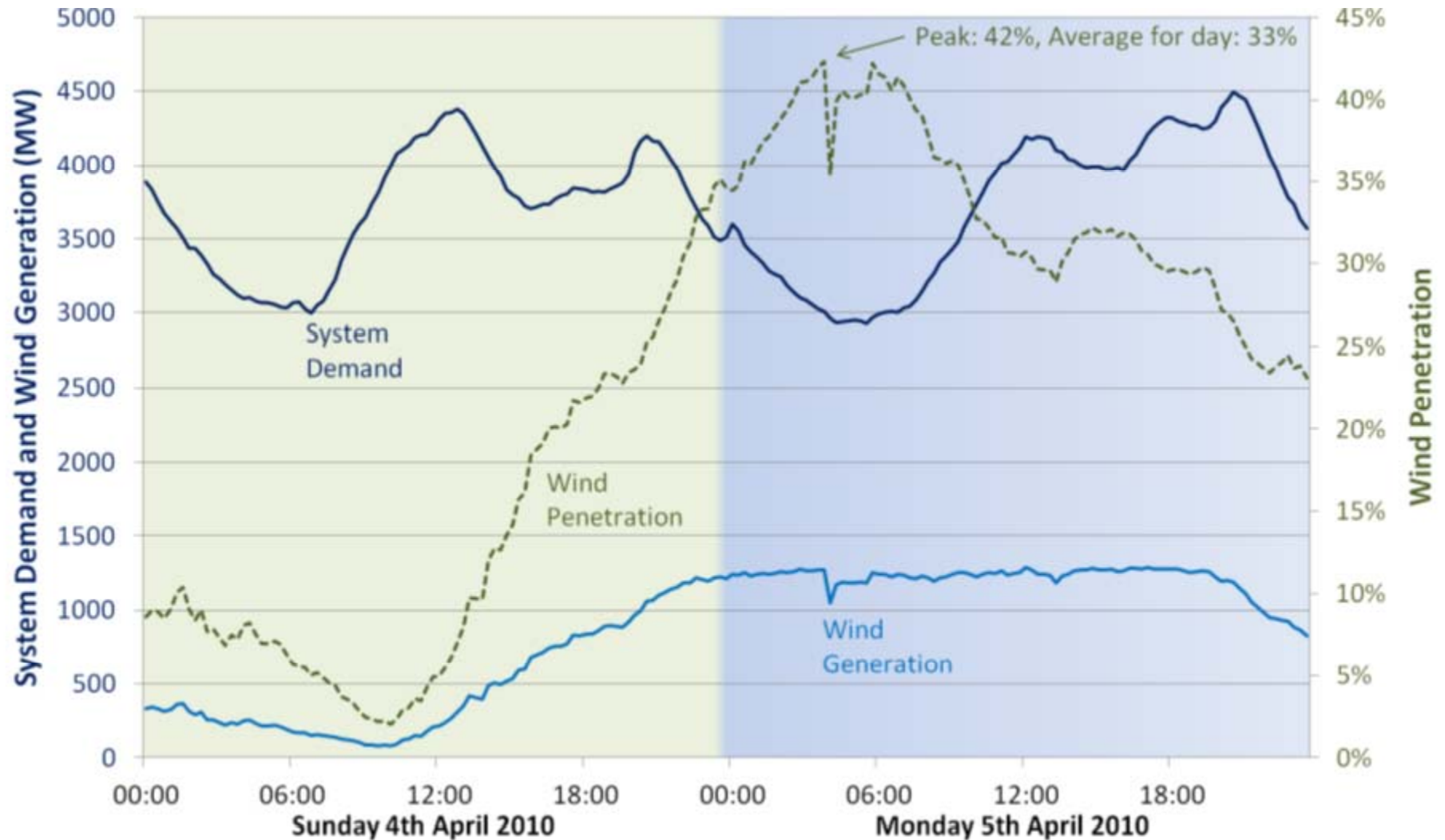
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Demonstrate Sustainable  
Electrical Energy System in  
Ireland – deploy it at scale  
elsewhere

# Wind in Republic of Ireland, April 2010

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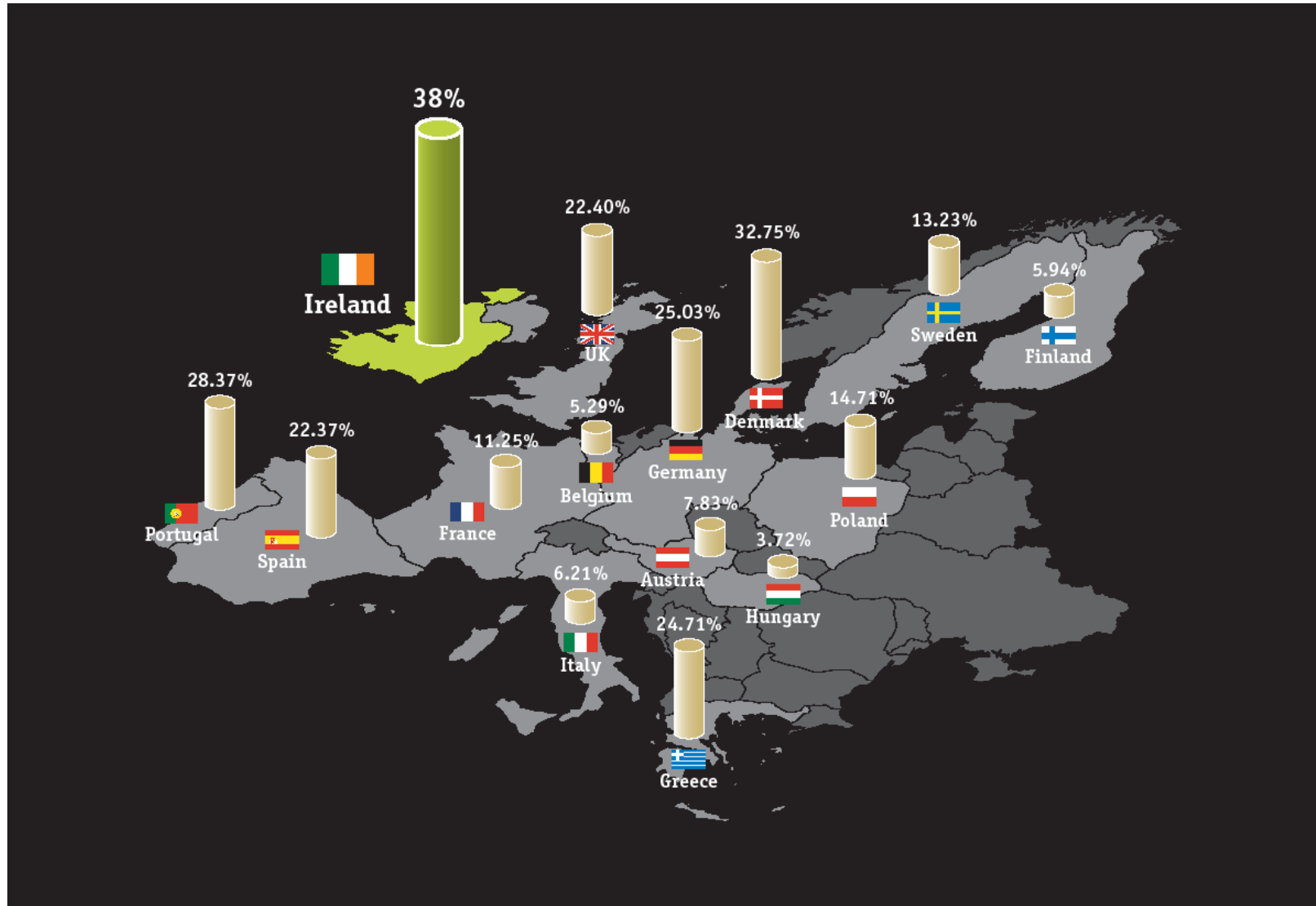


~1.2 GW wind power change in 18 hours  
(2 % to 42 % penetration)

All island data from EirGrid & SONI

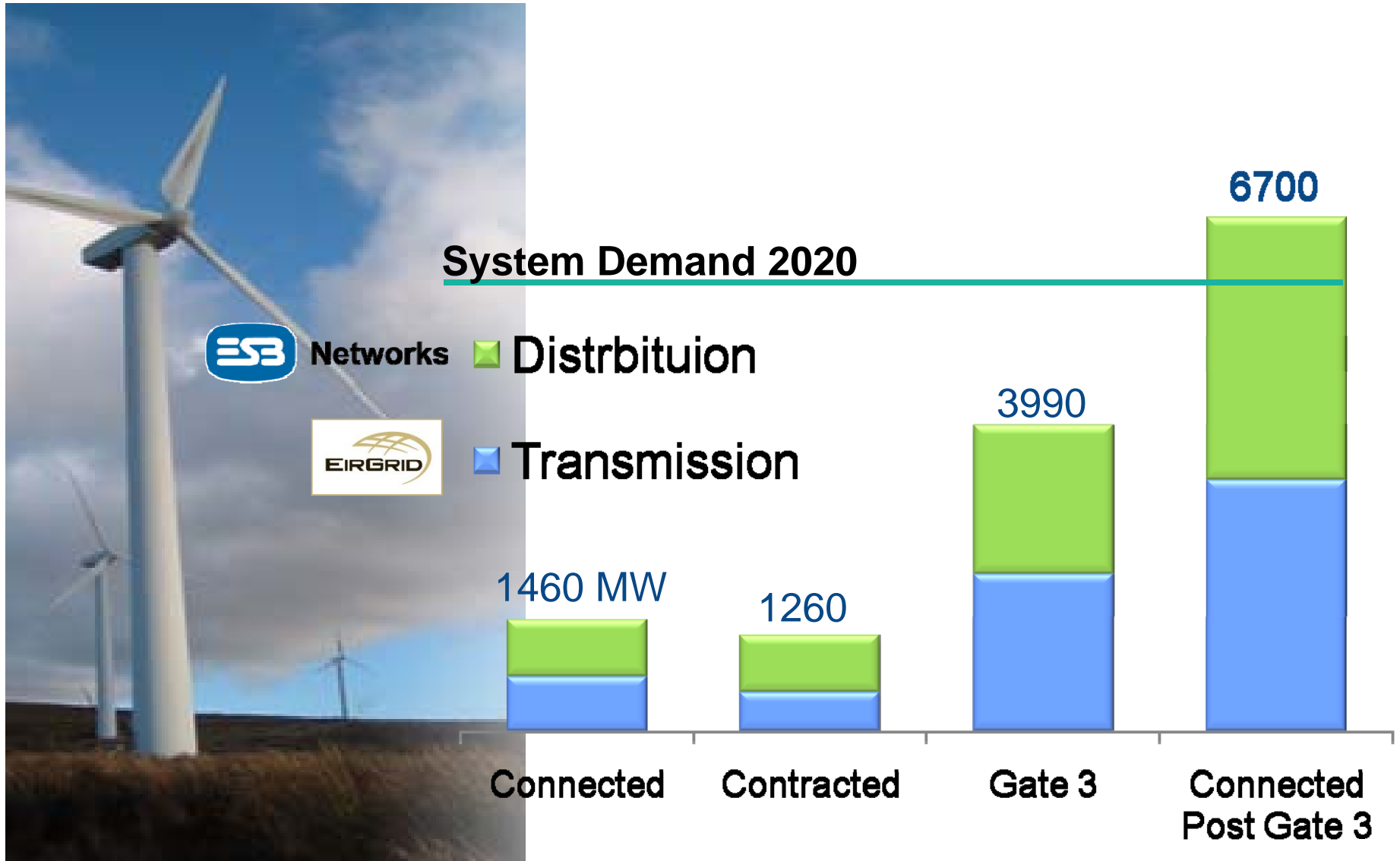
# EU Targets 20 20 20 - Wind energy as % of electricity

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# Wind Connections MW

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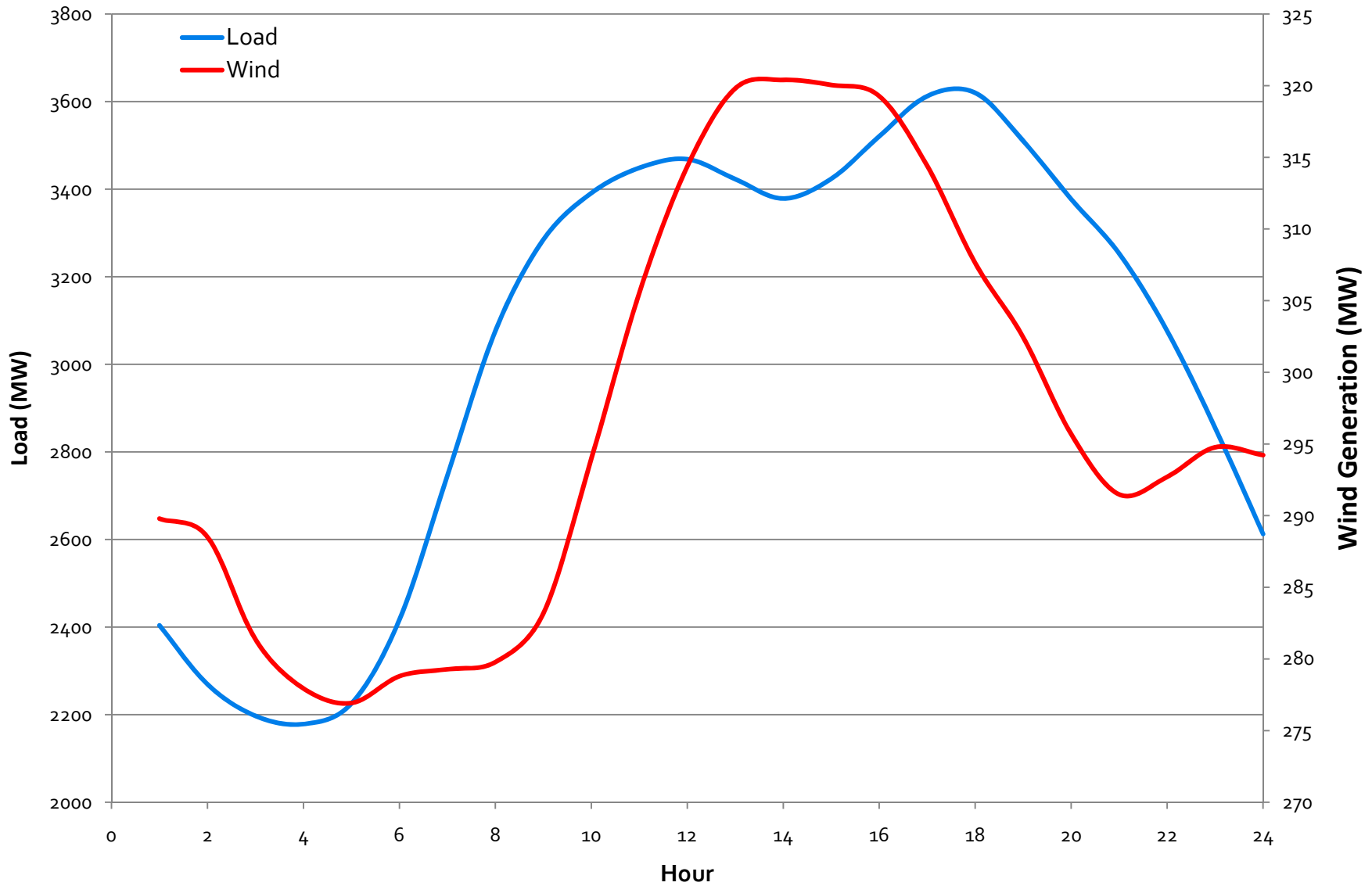
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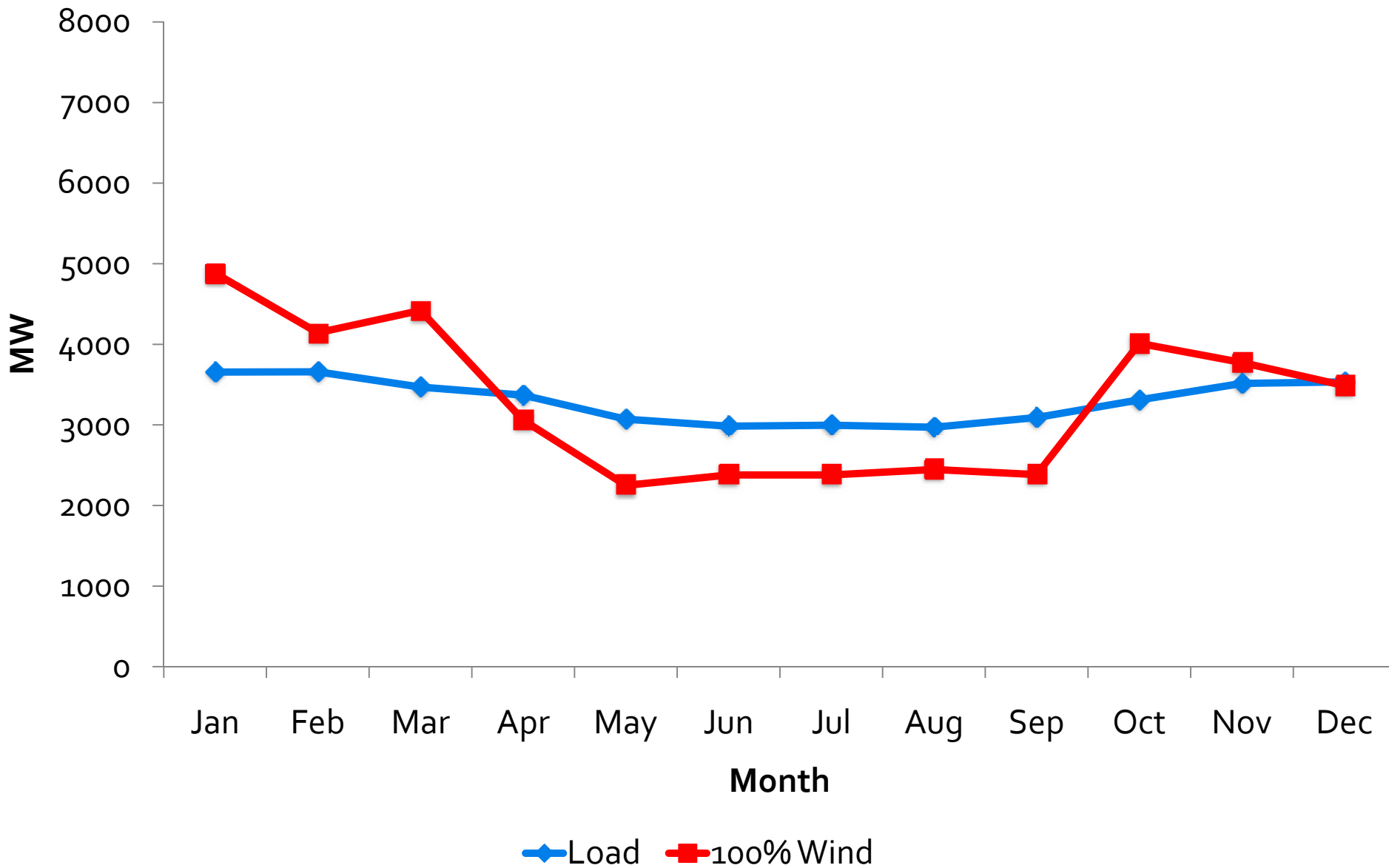
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# Load and Wind Averaged by Hour (2010)

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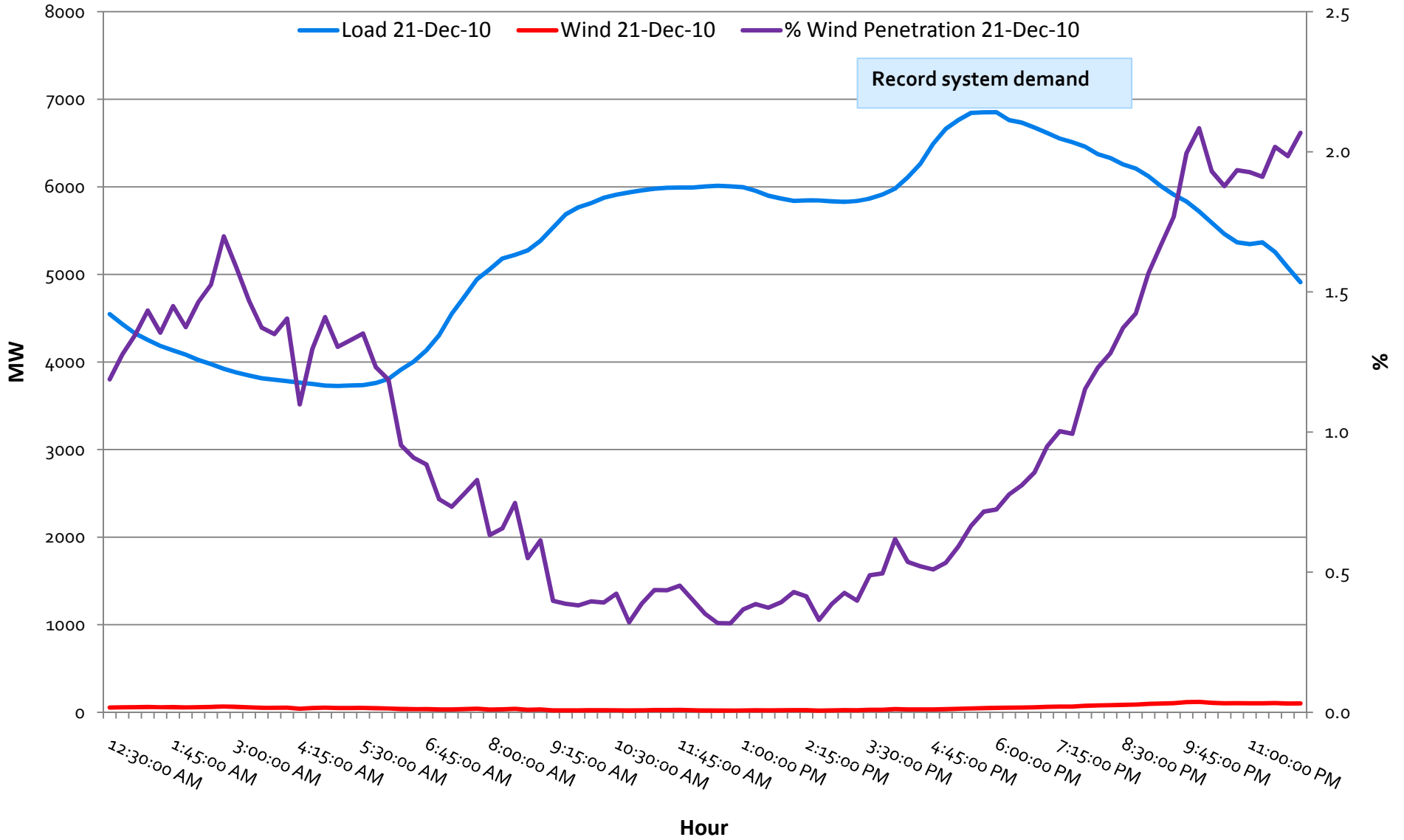
# Seasonal (100 % Wind)





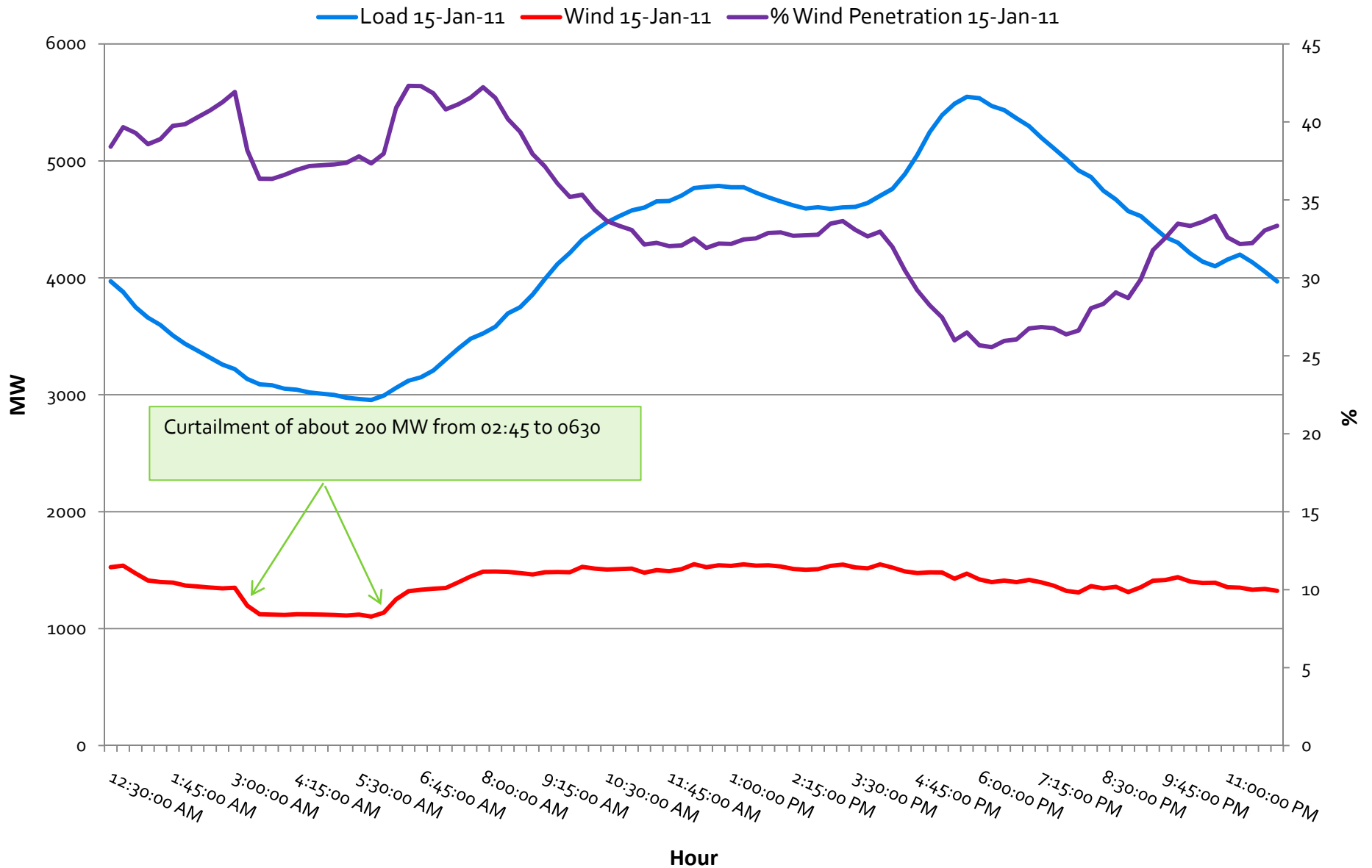
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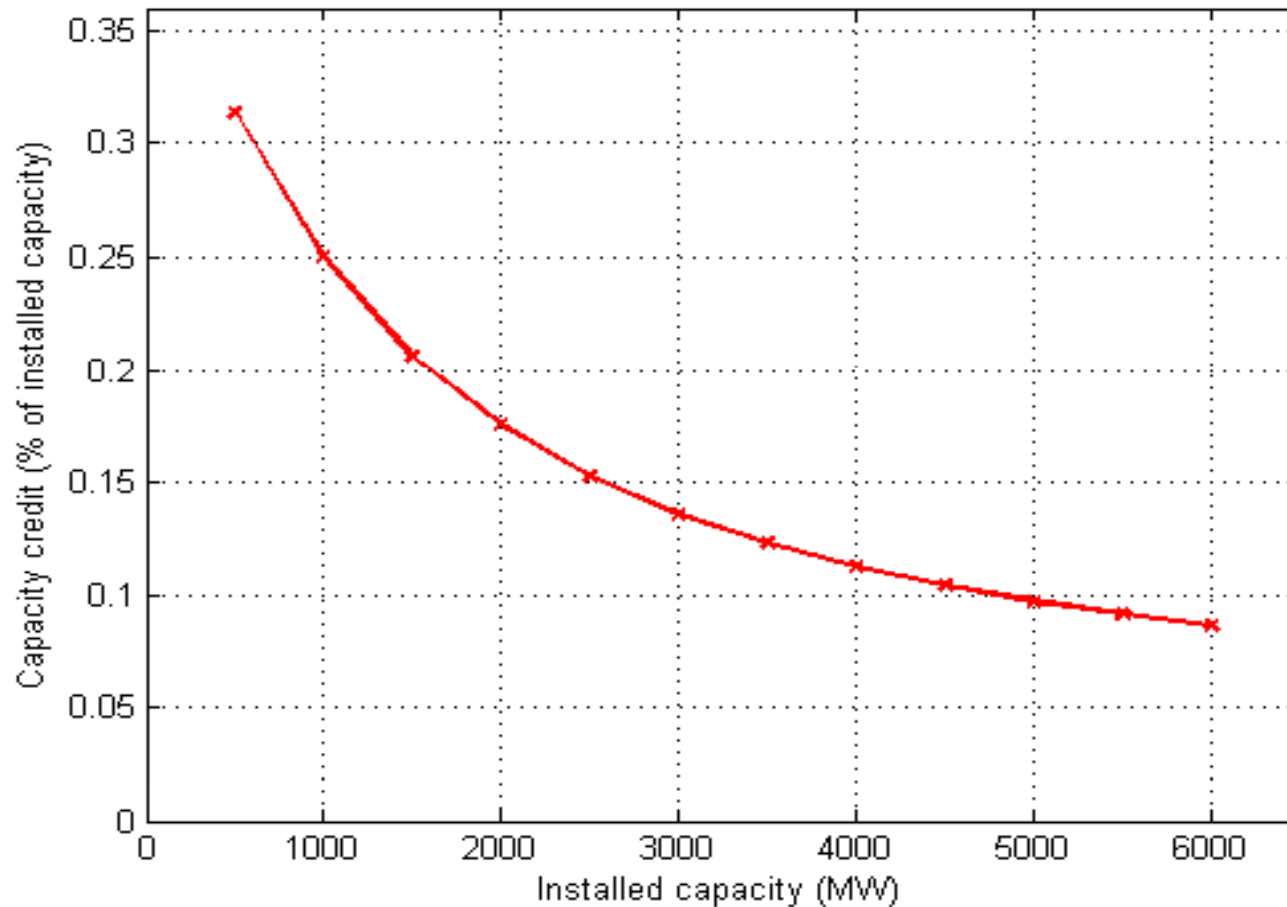
# Ireland, Wind & Load – 15 Jan 2011

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# Capacity Credit (Value) Ireland

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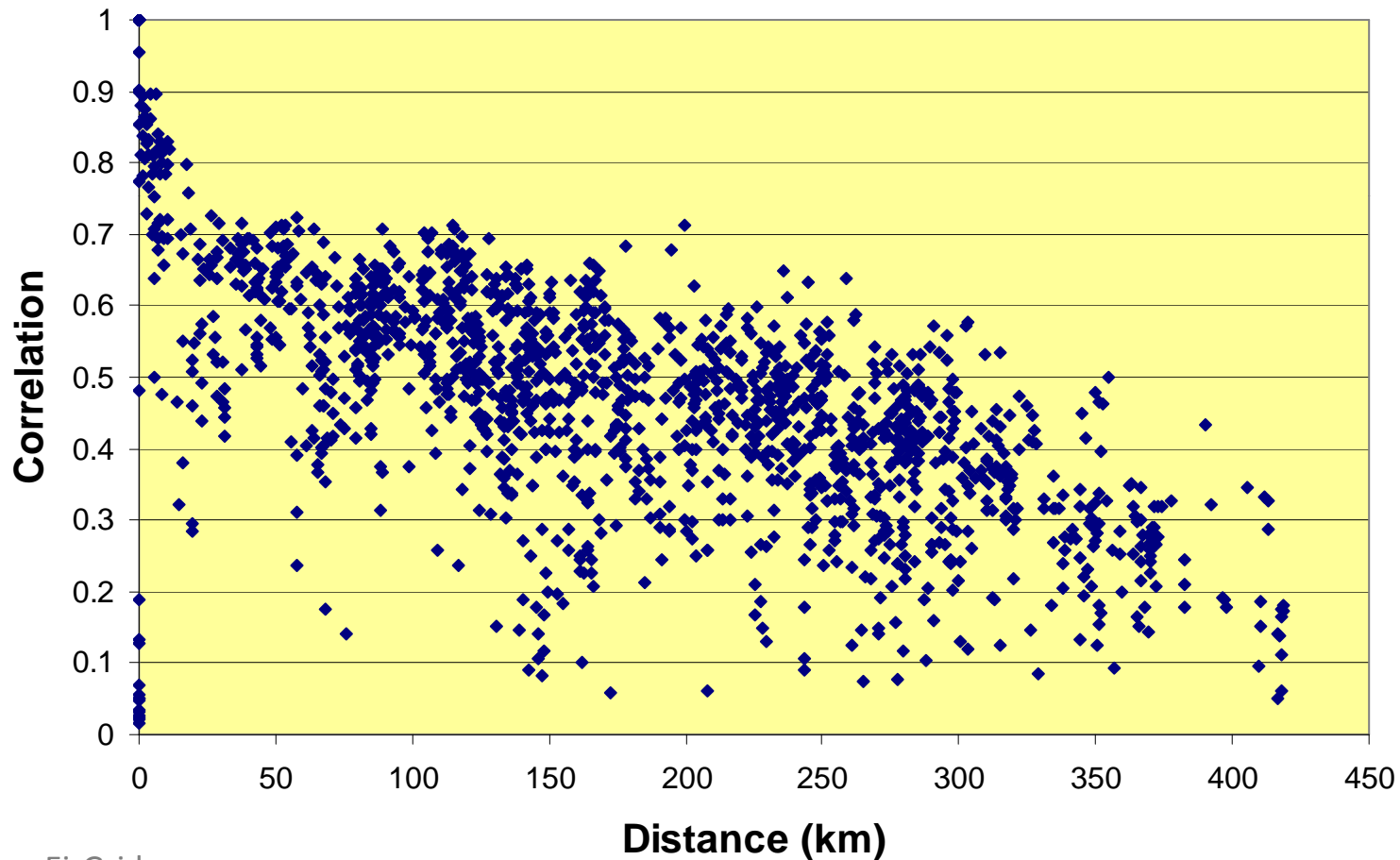


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# Correlation Between Wind Farms

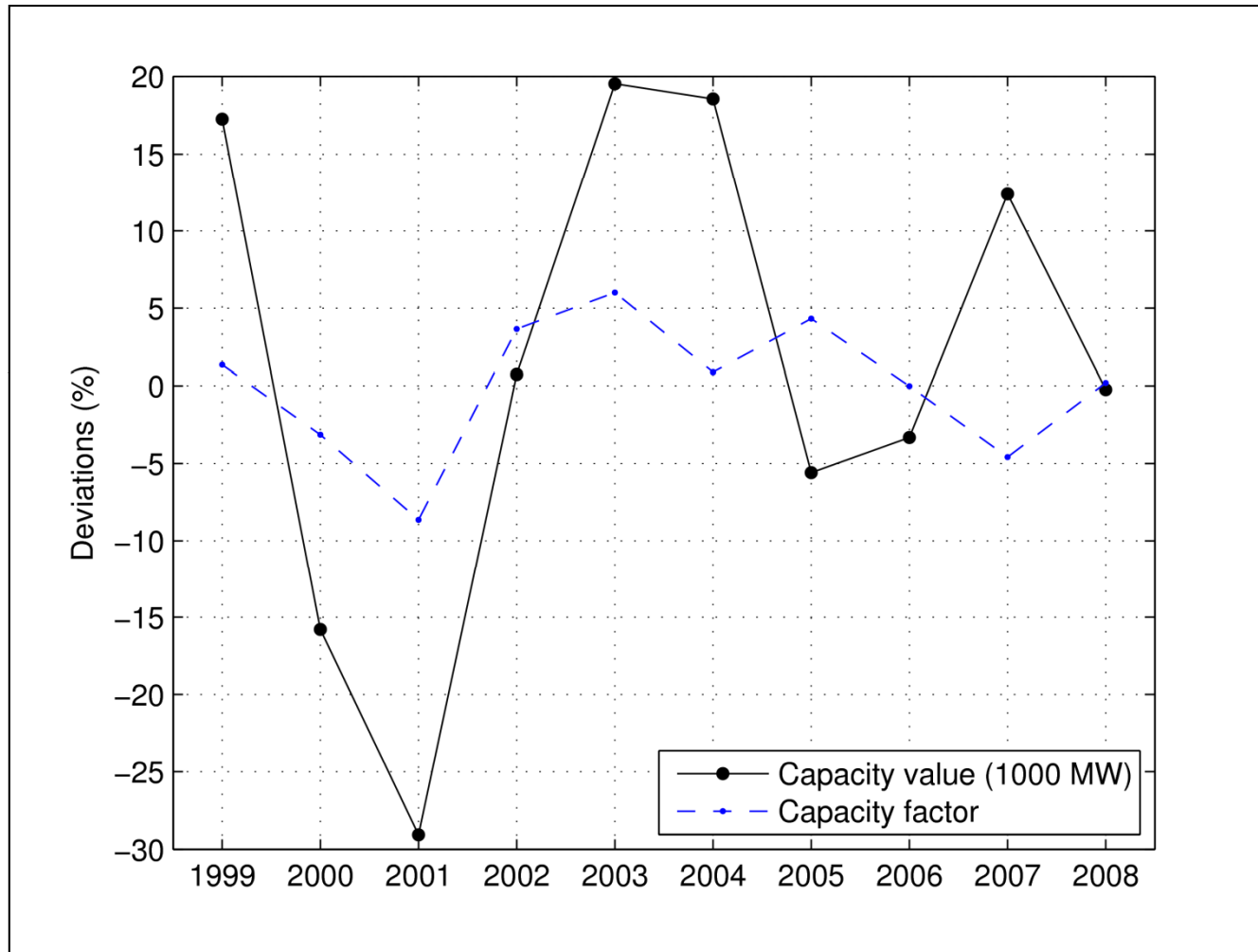
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Correlation Between Farm Output vs. Distance between them (km)



Source: EirGrid

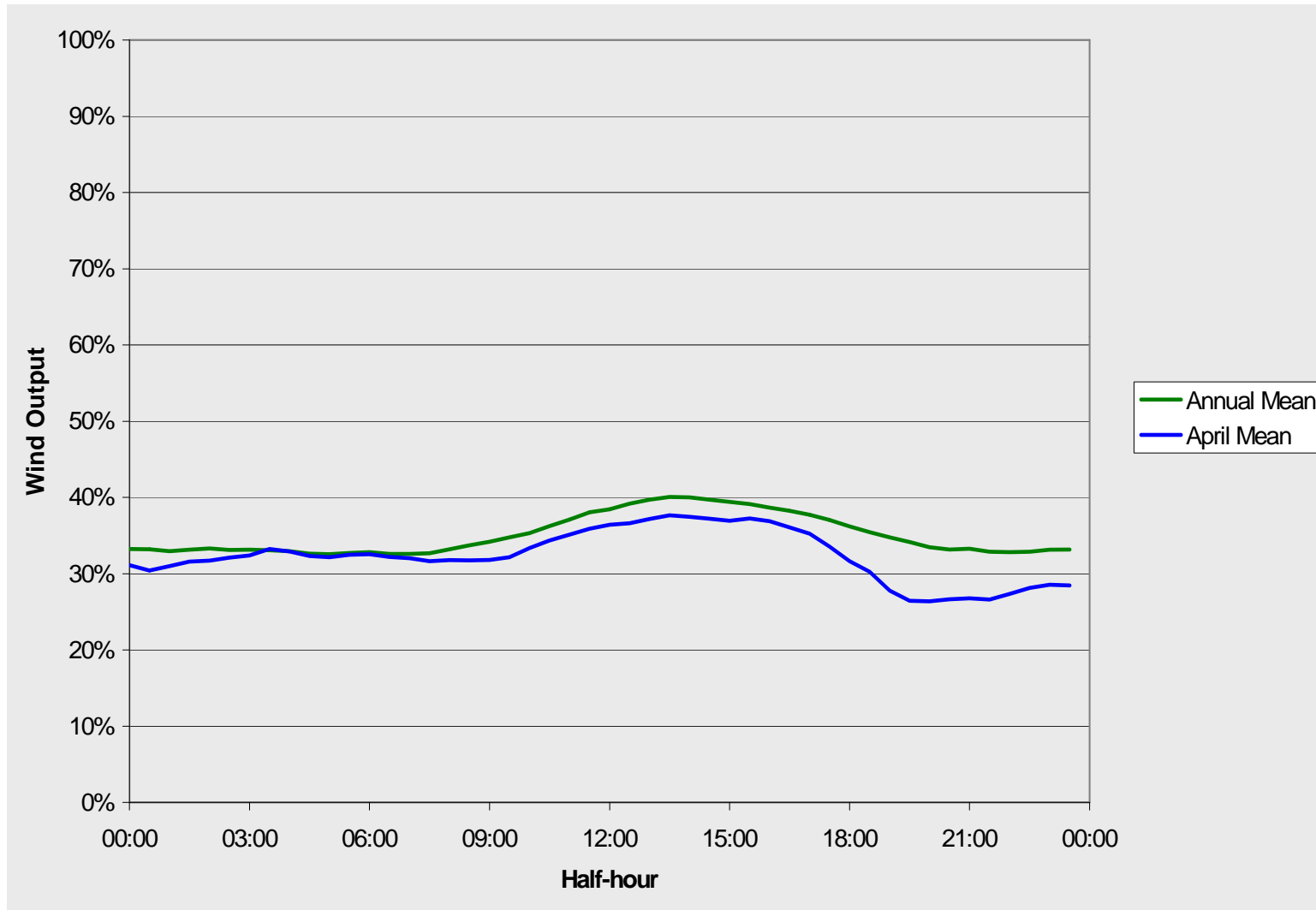
# 21 Yearly variations



Hasche, B., Keane, A. and O'Malley, M.J. "Capacity credit of wind power: calculation and data requirements", *IEEE Trans. Power Syst.*, in press, 2011.

# Annual and April Mean Wind Output

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Source: EirGrid

# Capacity factor (Republic of Ireland)

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	Capacity Factor
Average (1999 – 2009)	31 %
Max (1999 – 2009)	34 %
Min (1999 – 2009)	29 %
Capacity factor 2010	23 %

\*\*\*\* Note: Preliminary data not for quoting

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# Grid Studies

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# Wind energy integration studies/reports

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**THE IMPACTS OF INCREASED LEVELS OF WIND PENETRATION ON THE ELECTRICITY SYSTEMS OF THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND - FINAL REPORT**

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WIND VARIABILITY MANAGEMENT STUDIES

All-Island Grid Study  
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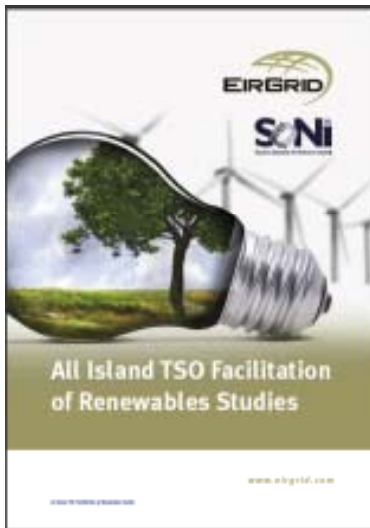




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**Irish-Scottish Links on Energy Study (ISLES)**

**NEWS: ISLES wins European Structural Funds Award**

ISLES is a collaborative project between the Scottish Government, the Northern Ireland Executive and the Government of Ireland. Funded mainly by the EU's INTERREG IIIA Programme managed by the Special EU Programme Body (SEUPB), it is assessing the feasibility of creating an offshore inter-connected transmission network and subsea electricity grid based on renewable energy sources off the coast of western Scotland and the Irish Sea. A robust business case for accelerating the development of renewables across jurisdictions will be presented to the partner governments.

The target area has huge potential for capturing wind, wave and tidal energy. However, each region's electricity network has not been developed as an offshore grid to exploit the major marine renewable resource and grid infrastructure is poor. As a result, the capacity to generate electricity is not matched by the ability to collect and transport that energy to market. As well as identifying the challenges in creating, storing and transporting the electricity created from these renewable sources, ISLES can help pave the way for renewable energy and carbon reduction targets to be met and assist in the economic development of the relatively peripheral coastal areas in each of the three partner countries.

The results of the feasibility study, being carried out by RPS Group, will be known by the end of 2011.

• Further information on ISLES #  
 • Contact ISLES #

ISLES Number: 01 2386 #  
 Newsletter: 1 2011 #



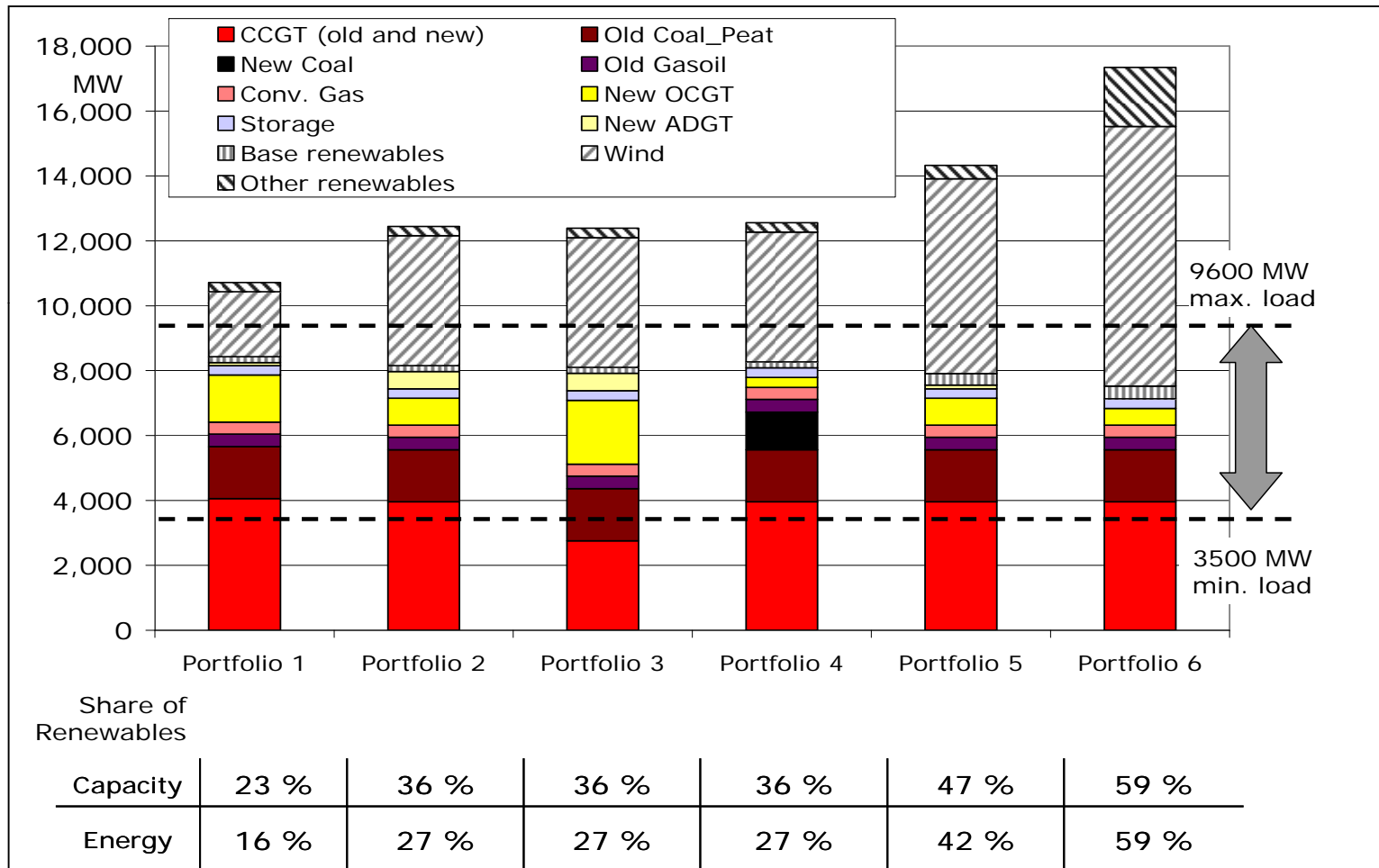


# All Island Grid Study (AIGS)



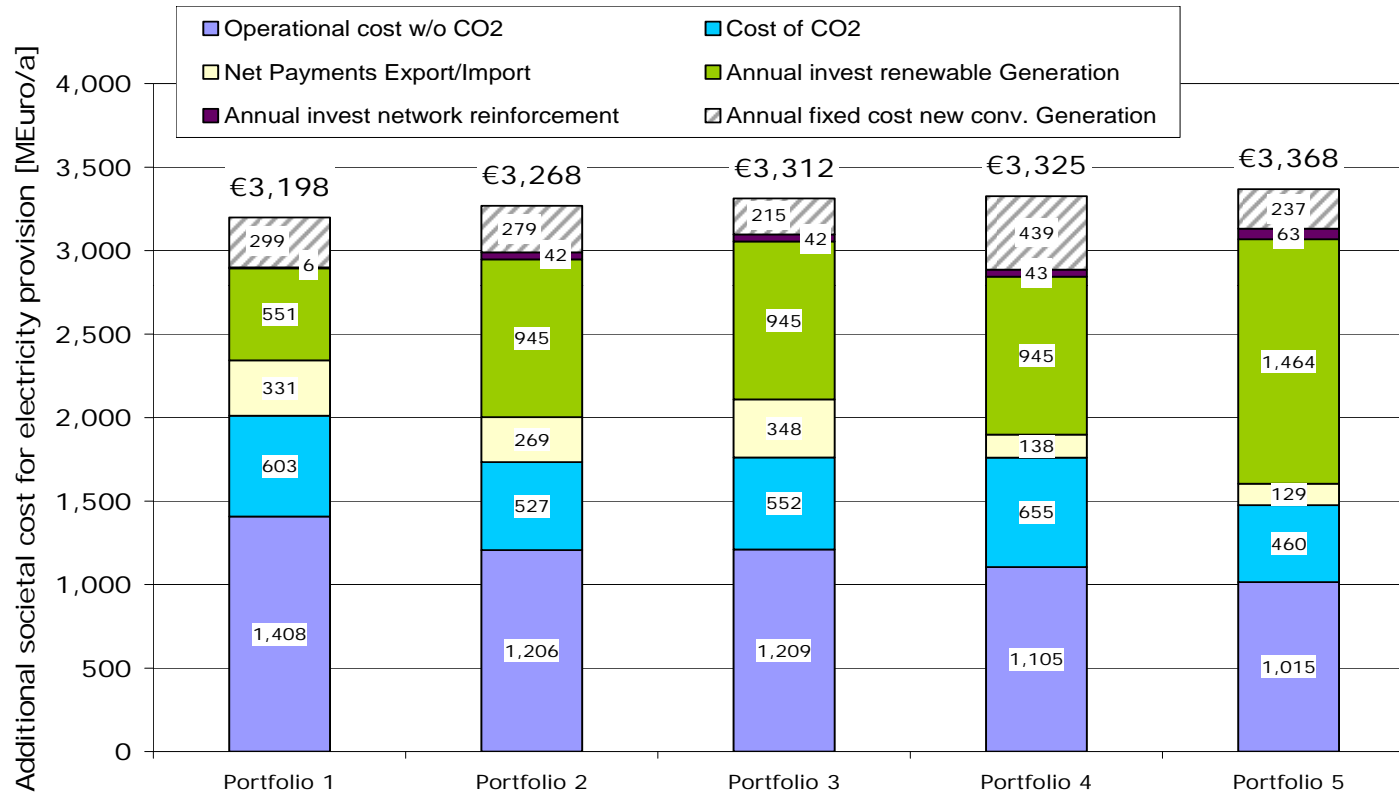
# AIGS: Portfolios

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# AIGS: Societal Costs of Adopting Portfolios

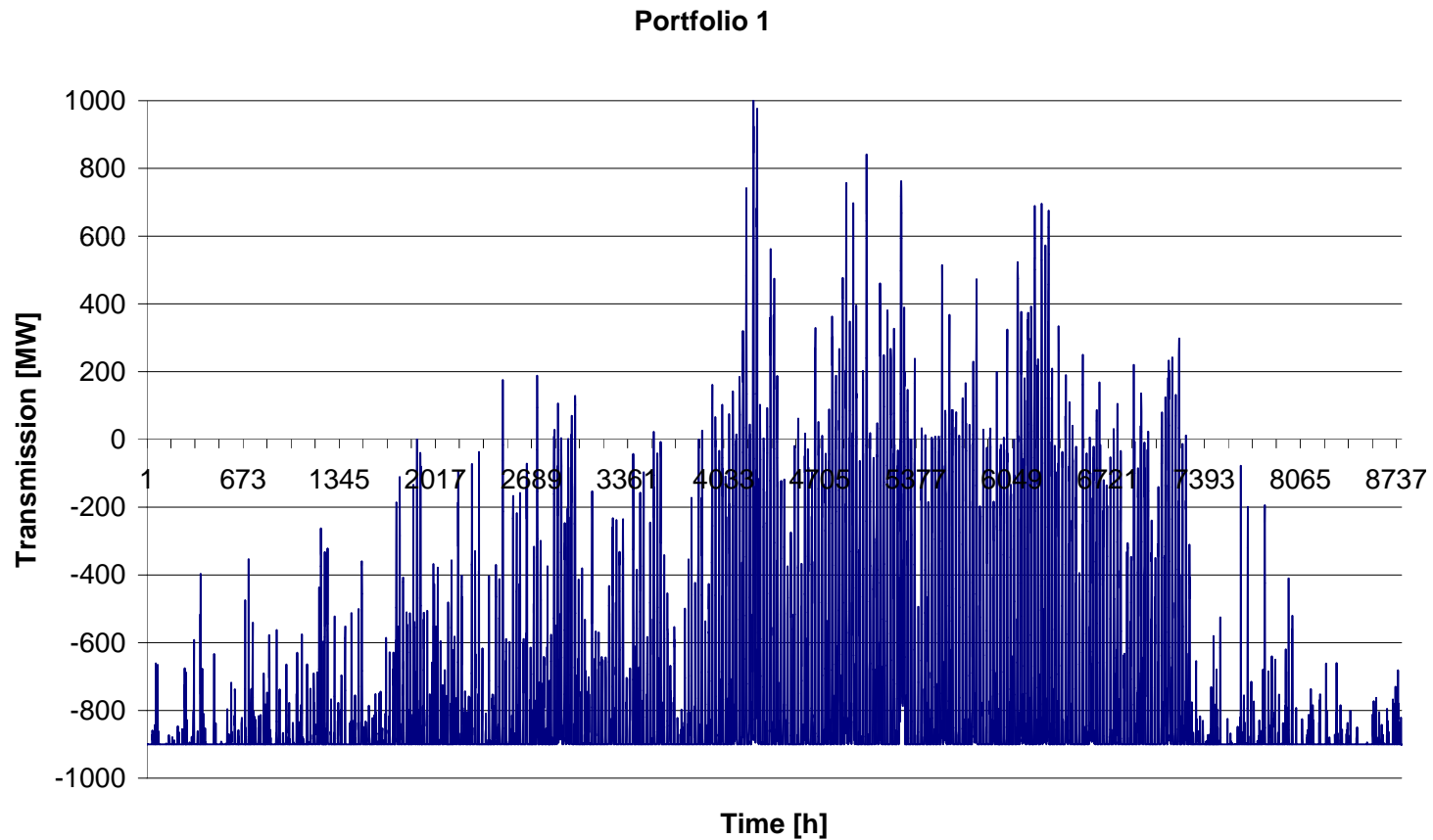
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RE share of demand	16%	27%	27%	27%	42%
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions [Mt/a]	20	18	18	22	15

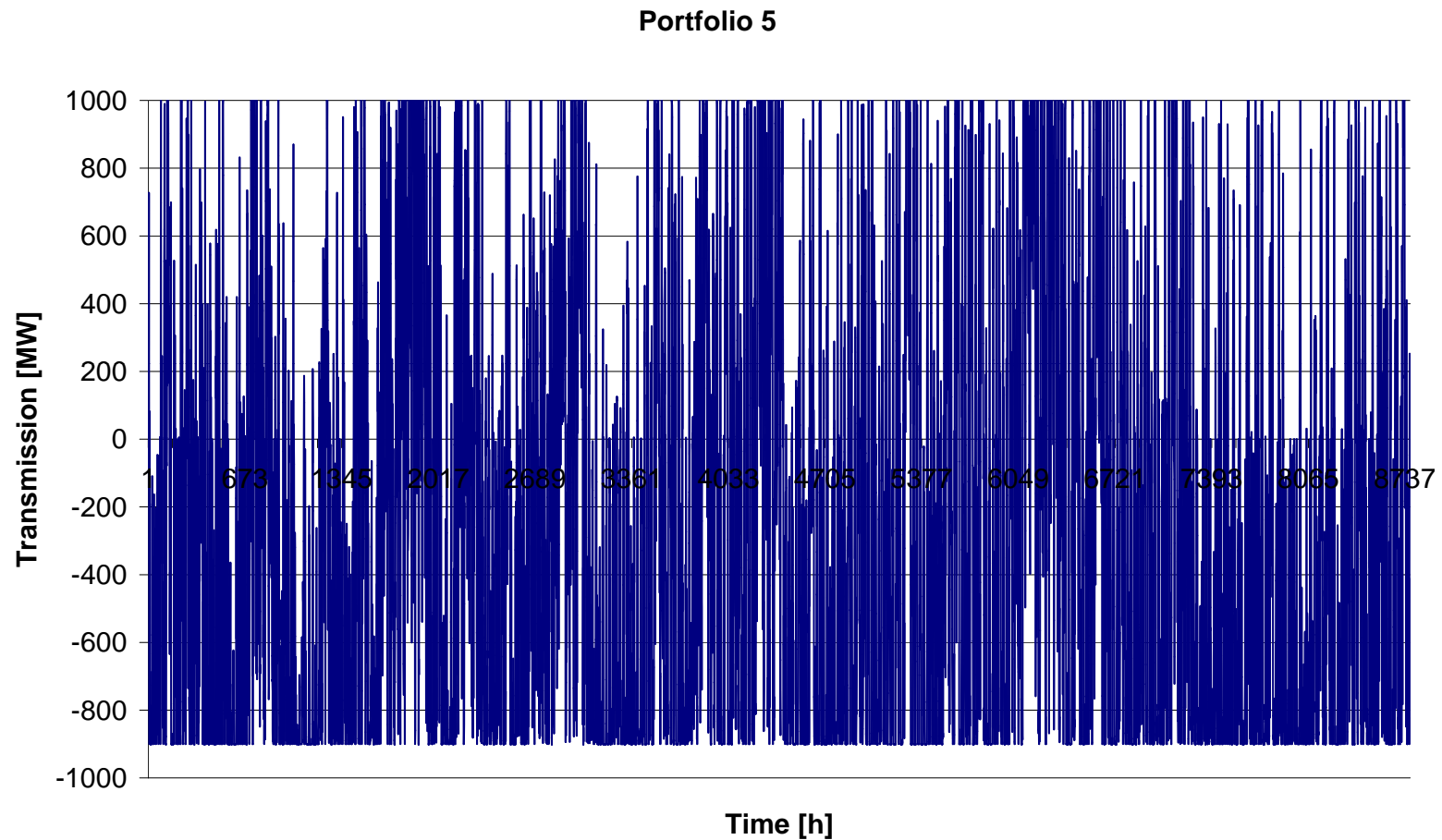
# AIGS: Import/export GB (portfolio 1)

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# AIGS: Import/export GB (portfolio 5)

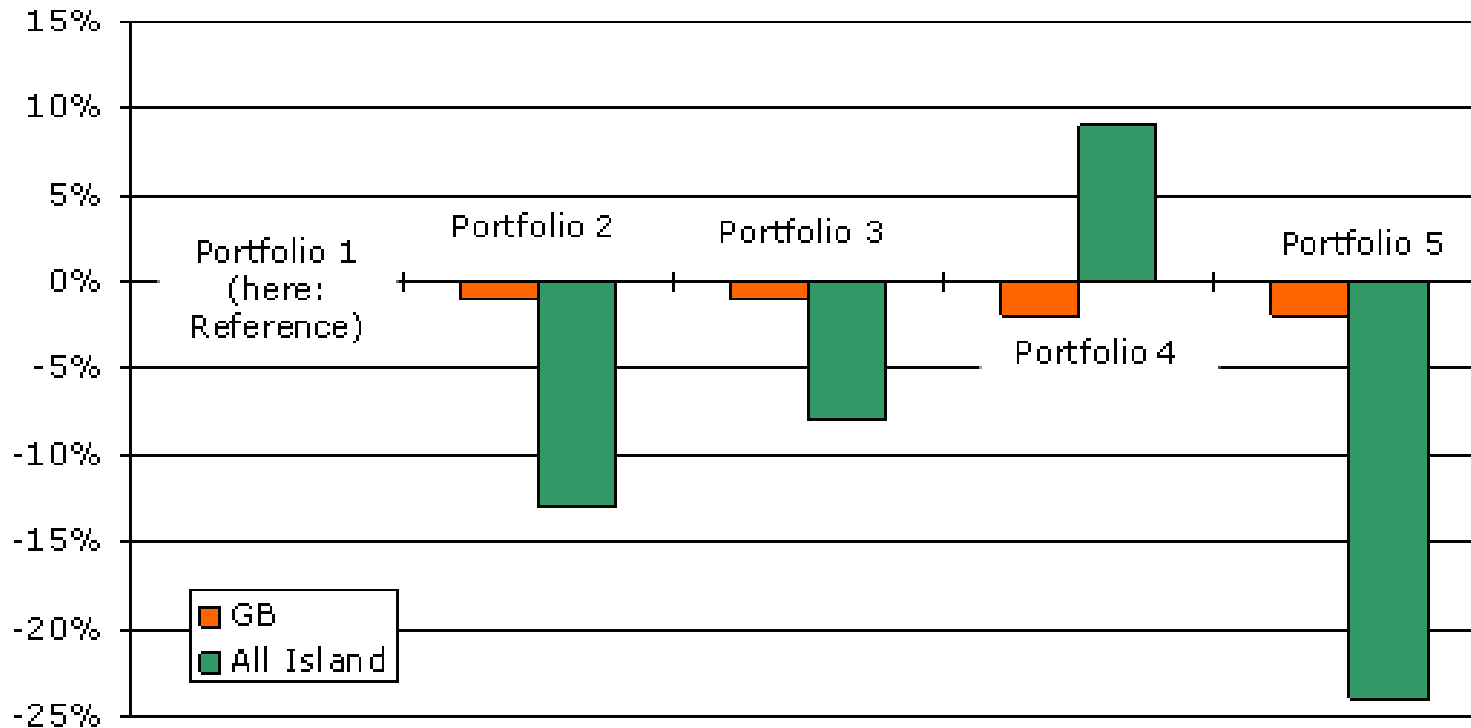
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# AIGS: Relative CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions Impact

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# AIGS: Benefits of Improved Forecasting

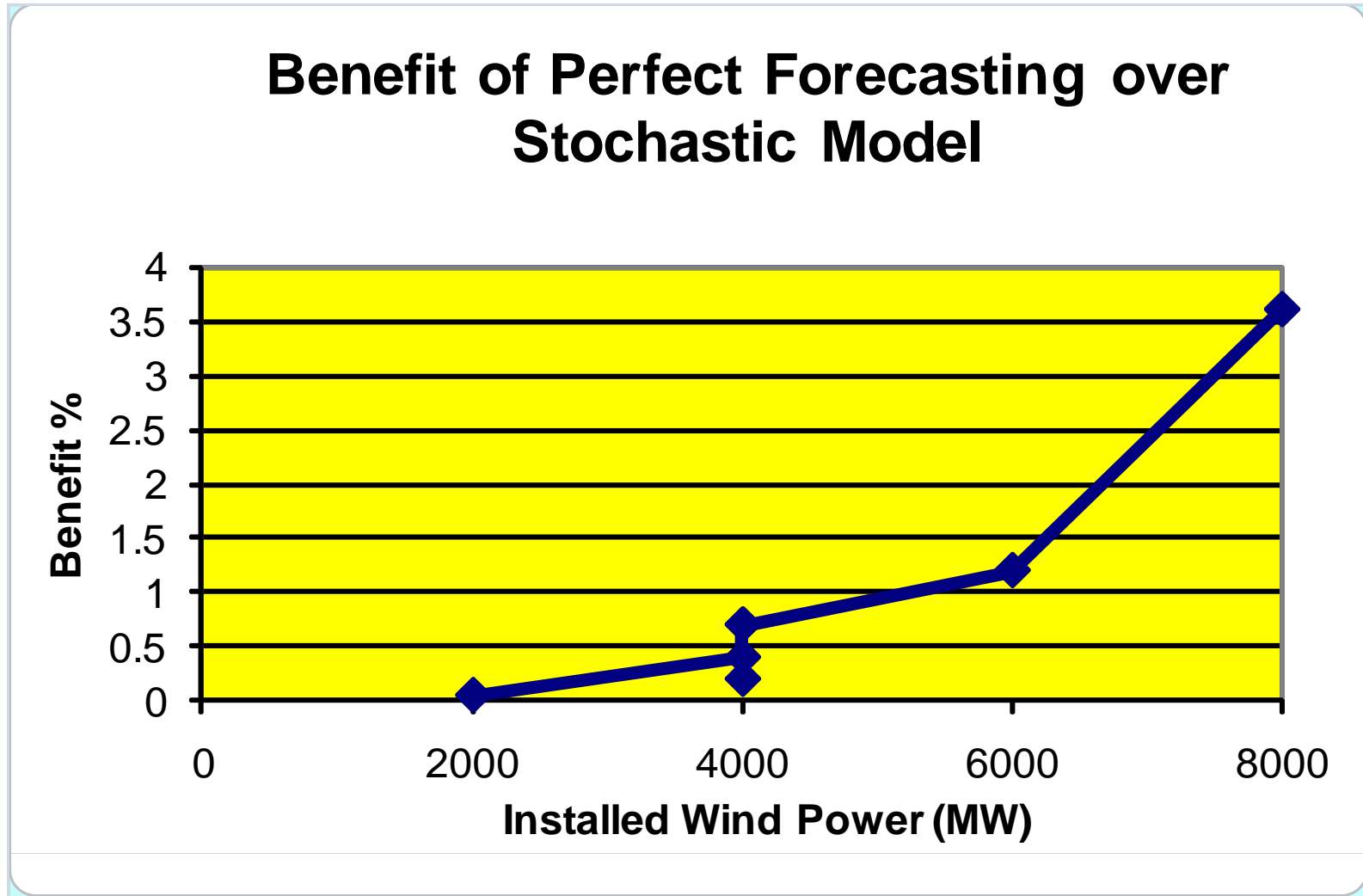
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	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
Absolute cost reductions due to perfect forecast [MEuro]	1.2	8.0	4.8	13.6	18.5	65.0
Relative cost reductions due to perfect forecast [%]	0.05	0.4	0.2	0.7	1.2	3.6



# AIGS: Benefits of Improved Forecasting

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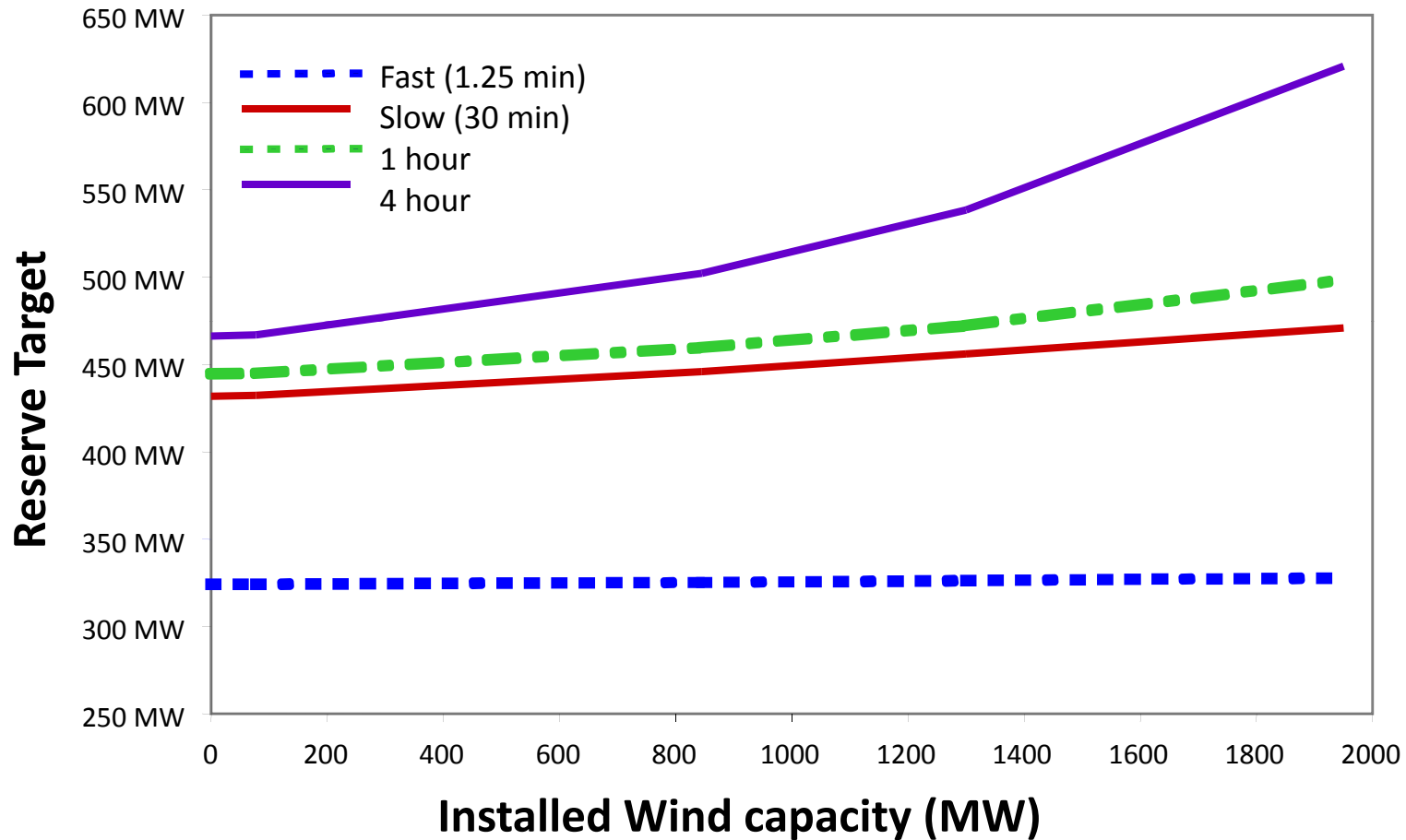


# AIGS: Wind curtailment

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	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
Provision of spinning reserves [TWh]	0	0	0.01	0	0.07	0.10
Other reasons than provision of spinning reserve [TWh]	0	0	0	0	0.02	0.48
Total curtailment as percentage of wind power production	0	0	0	0	0.5	2.3

# Reserve targets

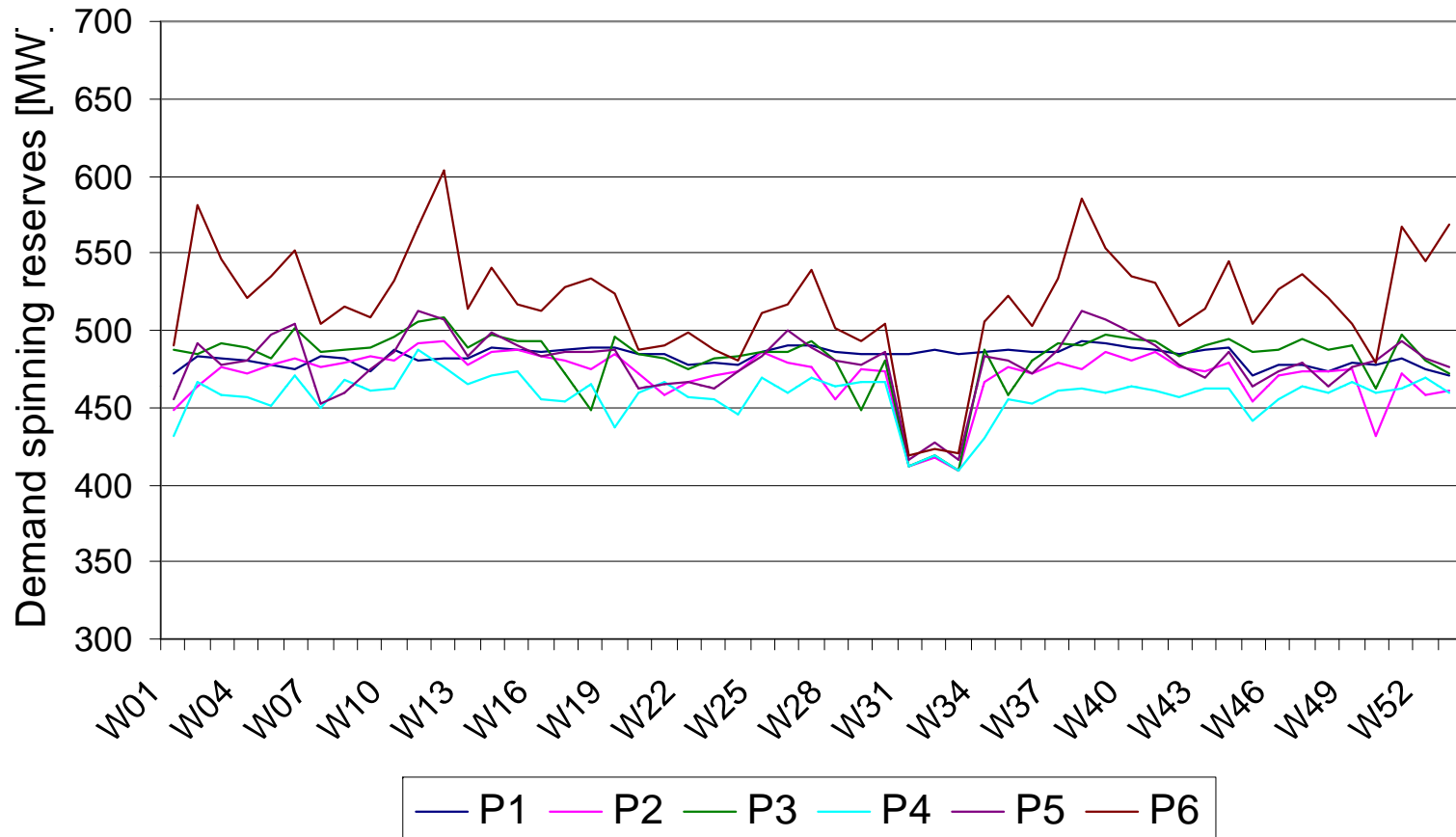


ILEX Energy, UCD, QUB and UMIST, "Operating reserve requirements as wind power penetration

\*\*Non-Grid study information

# AIGS: Demand for spinning reserve

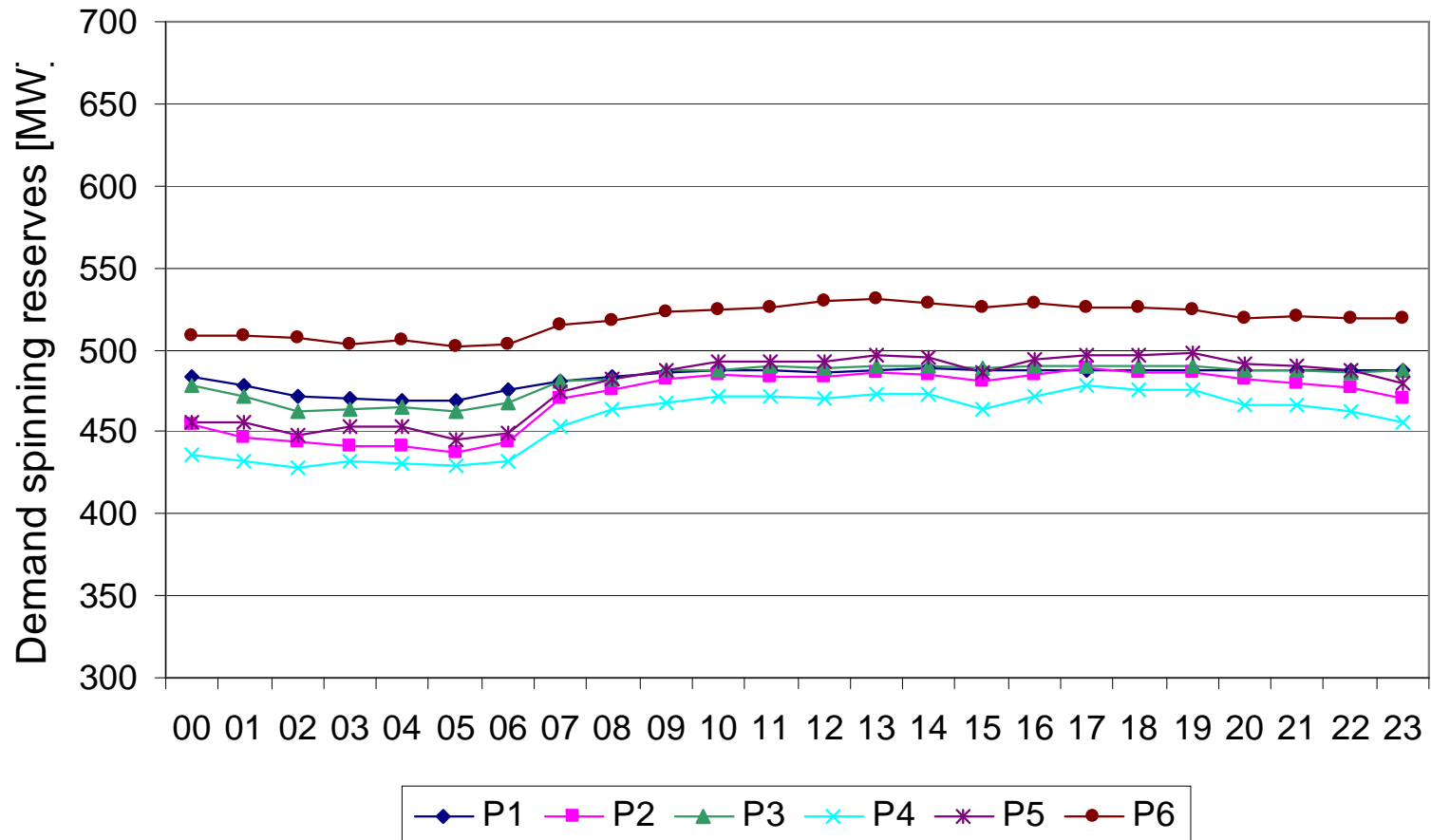
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Demand for spinning reserve during the year distributed on weeks in MW

# AIGS: Demand for spinning reserve

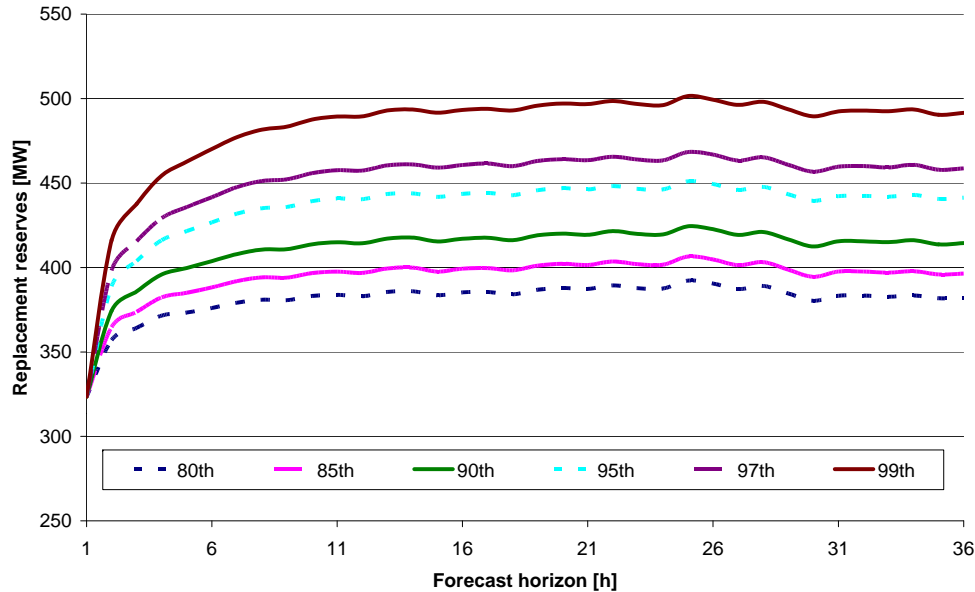
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Average demand for spinning reserve during the year distributed on hours during the day in MW

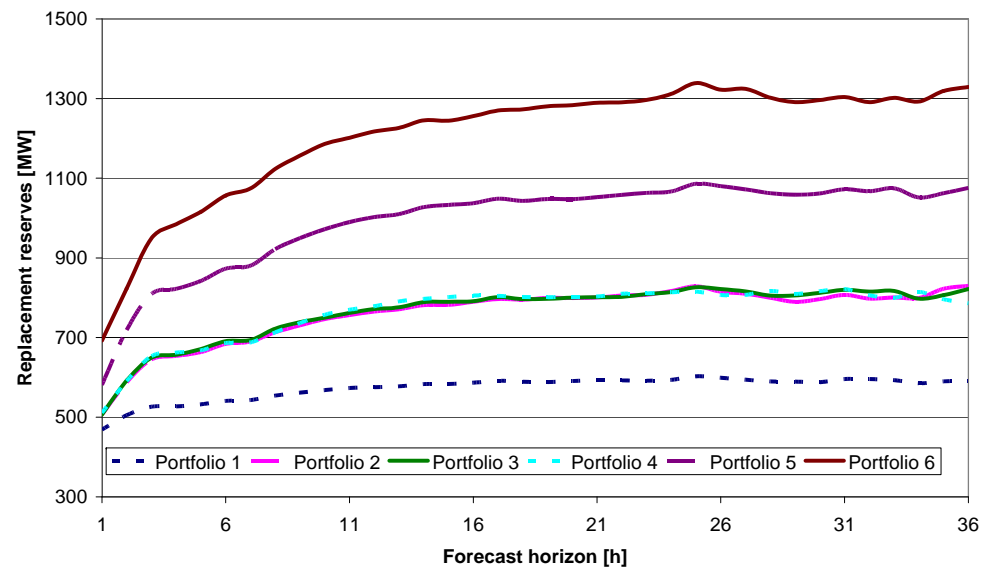
# AIGS: Demand for replacement reserve

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Average demand for replacement reserves due to load forecast errors and forced outages dependant on the forecast horizon for different percentiles given in MW [Present power system]

Average demand for replacement reserves dependant on the forecast horizon for portfolios P1 – P6 given in MW [90<sup>th</sup> percentile]



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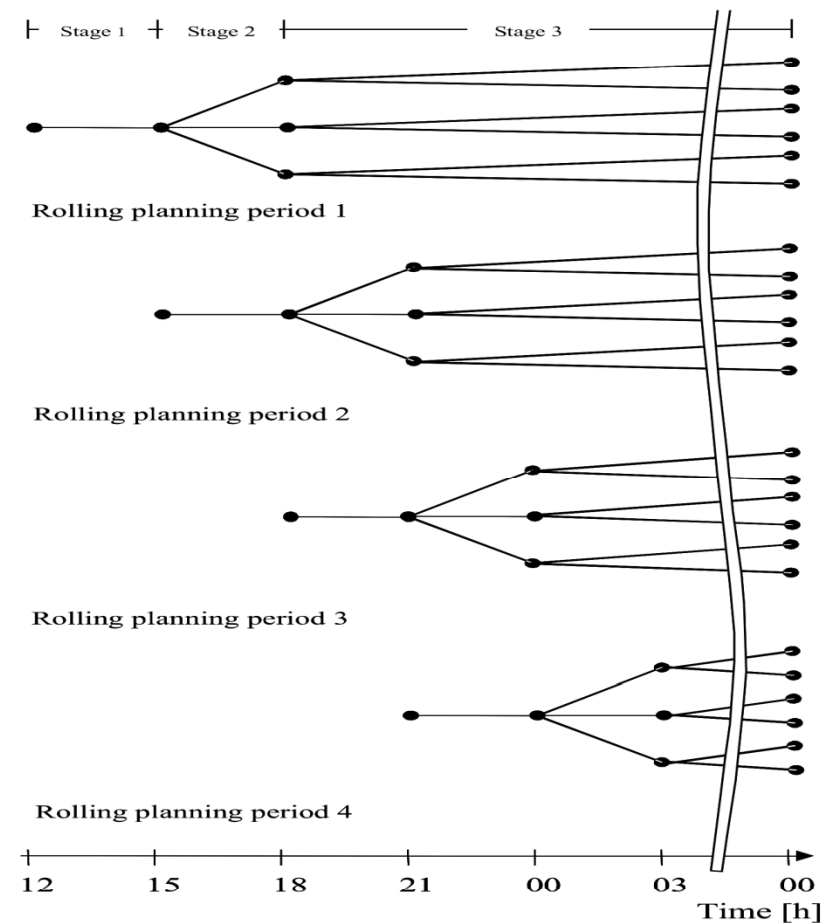
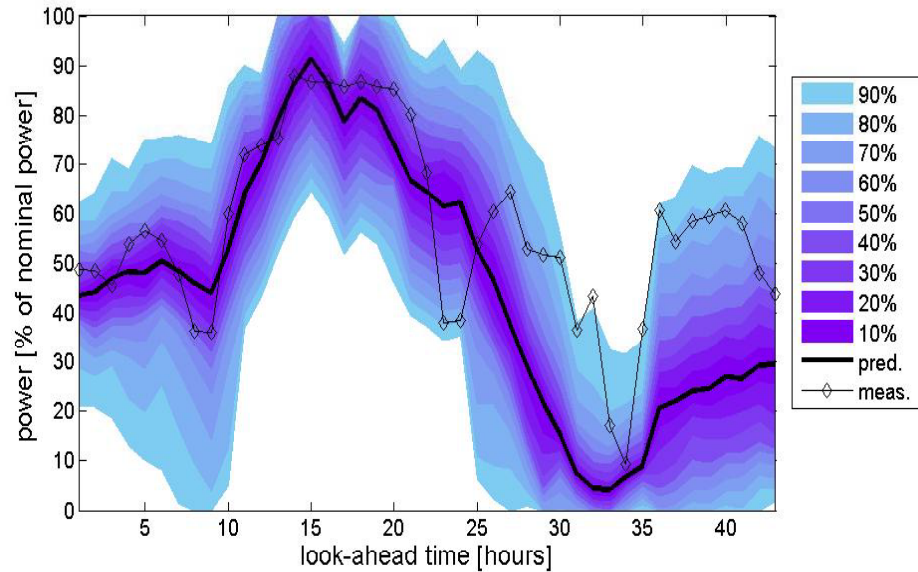


Stochastic Unit Commitment



# Wilmar: Stochastic Unit Commitment

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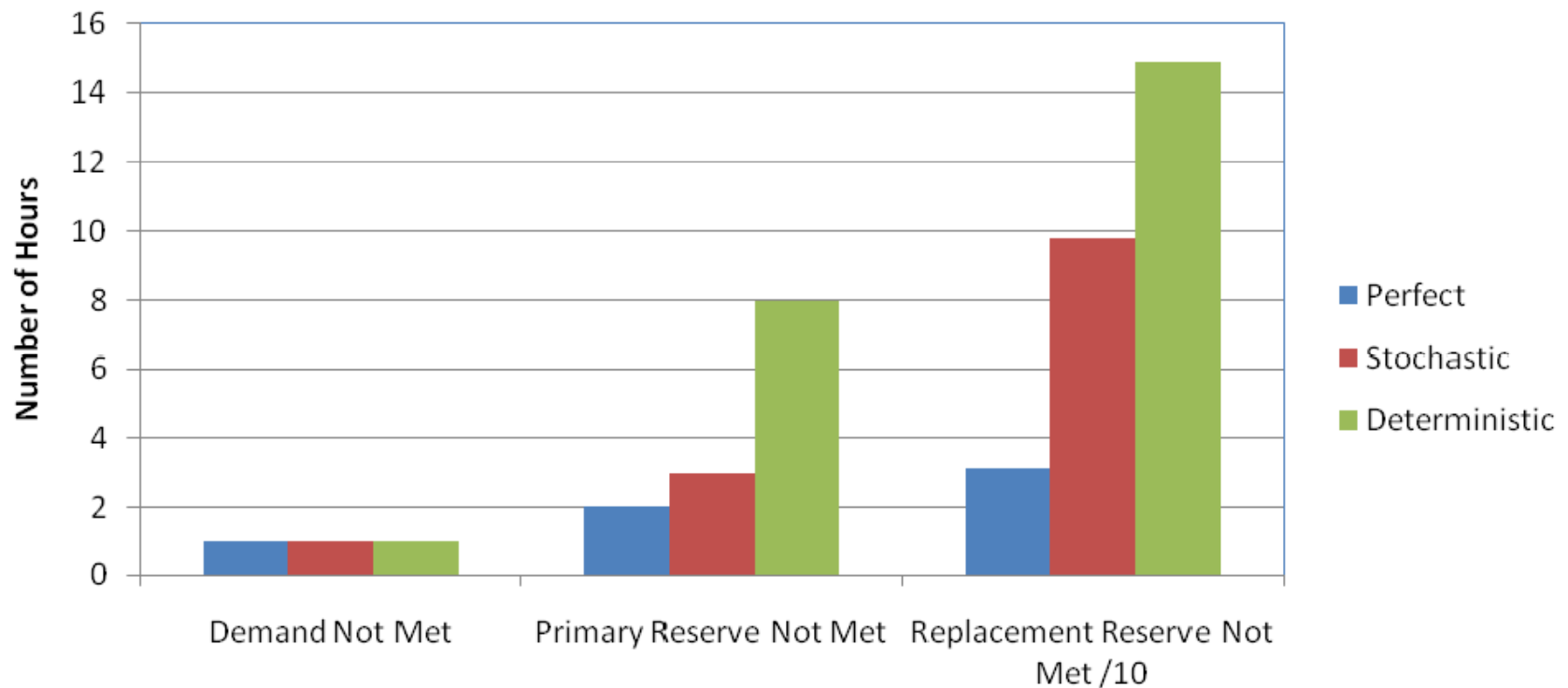
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# Performance of Schedules

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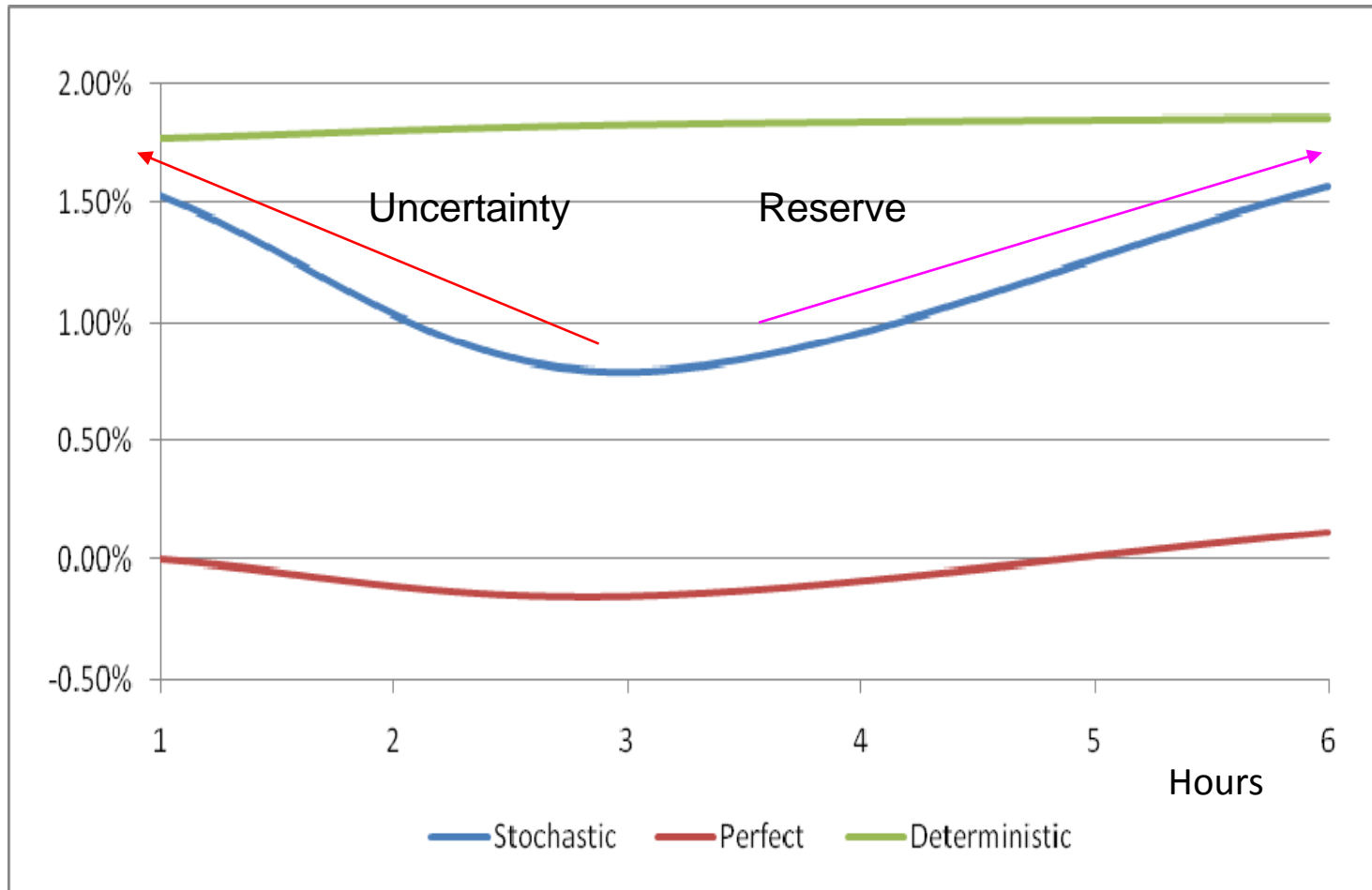
- One hour frequency of rolling commitment



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# System Costs - Effect of Rolling UC

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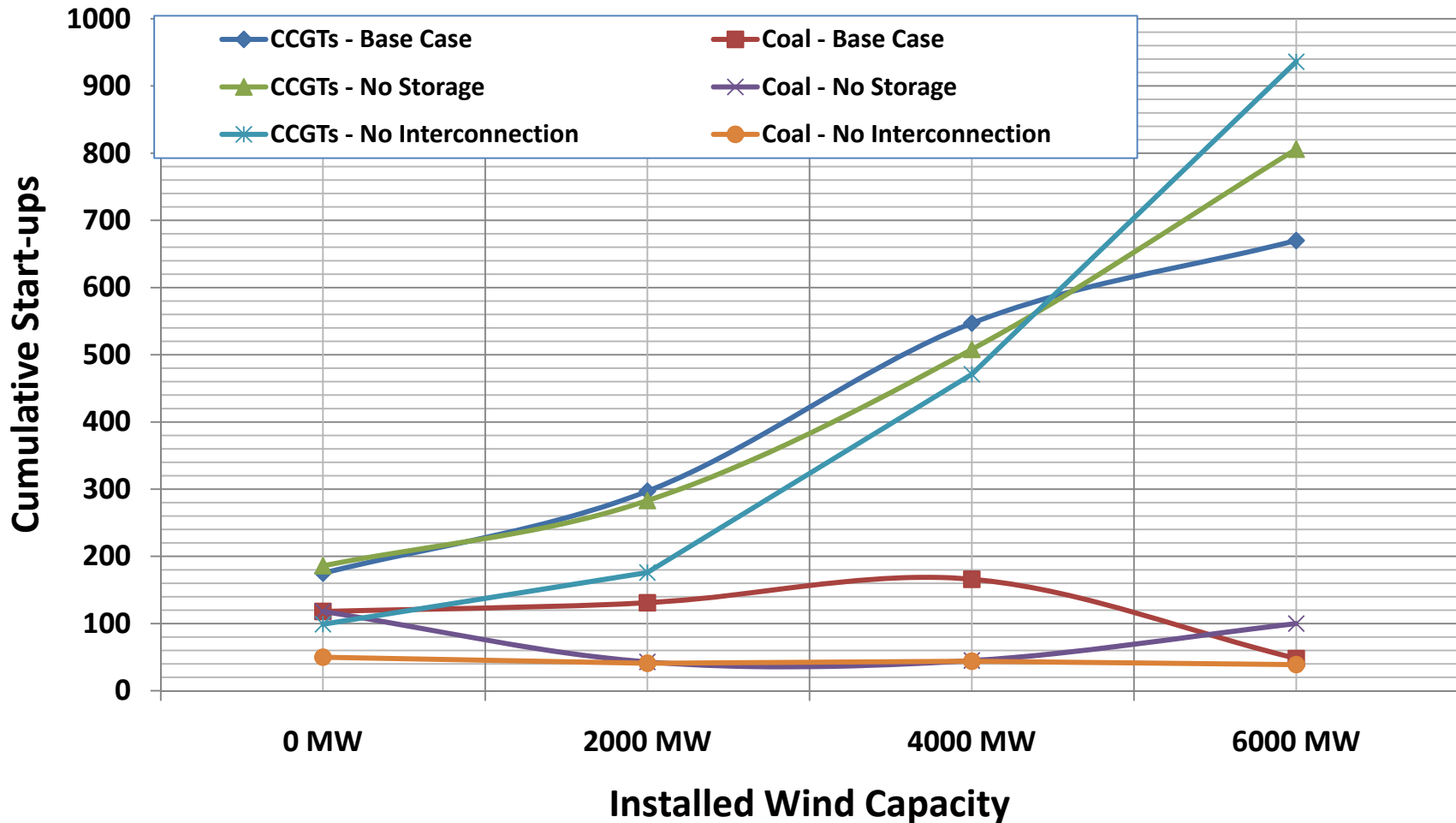


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# Frequency Control & Cycling

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# Impact of Wind on Base-load Start-ups



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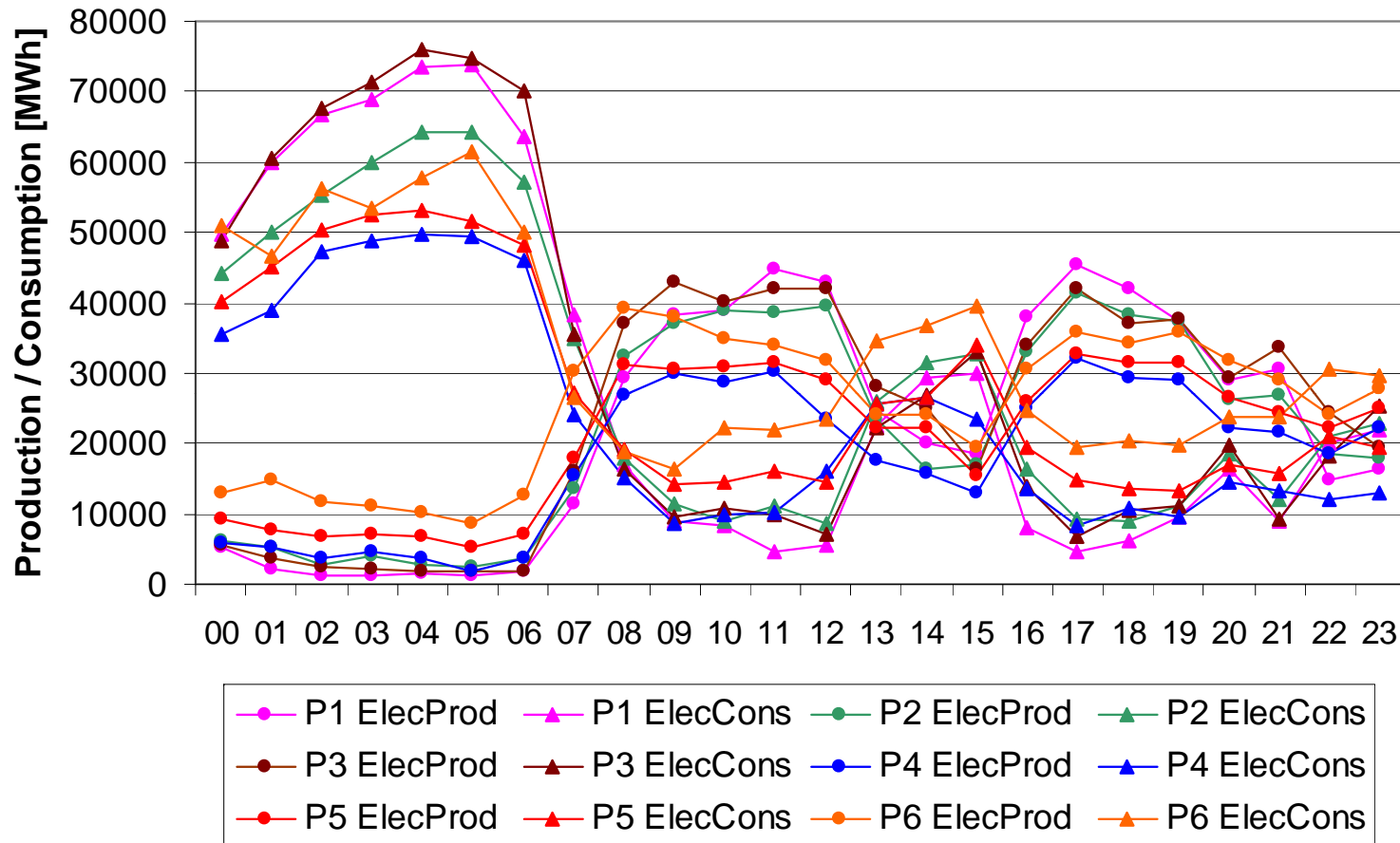
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Storage

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# AIGS: Pump storage utilisation

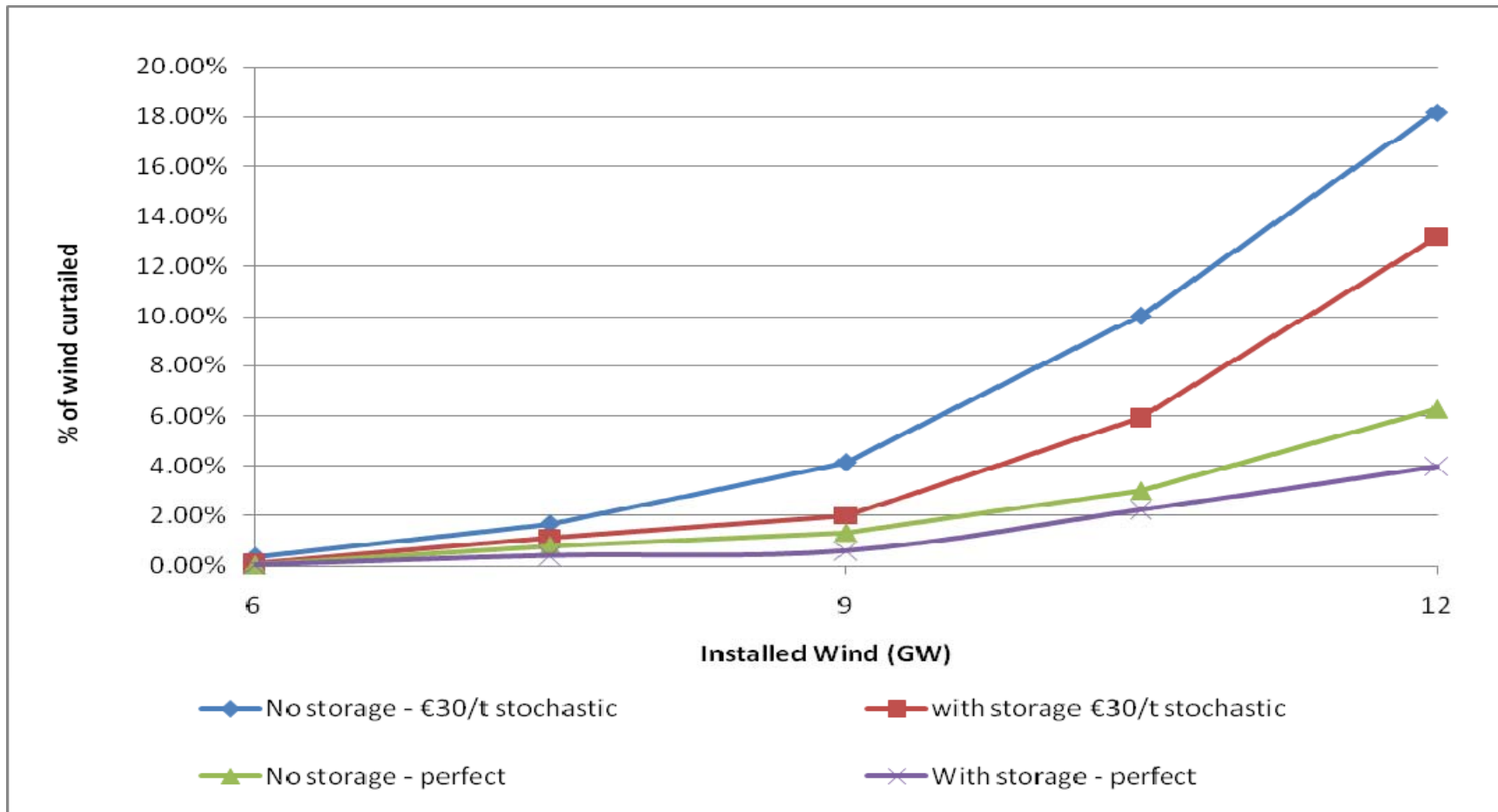
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The yearly electricity production and electricity consumption of Turlough Hill distributed on the hours during a day in MWh

# Curtailment

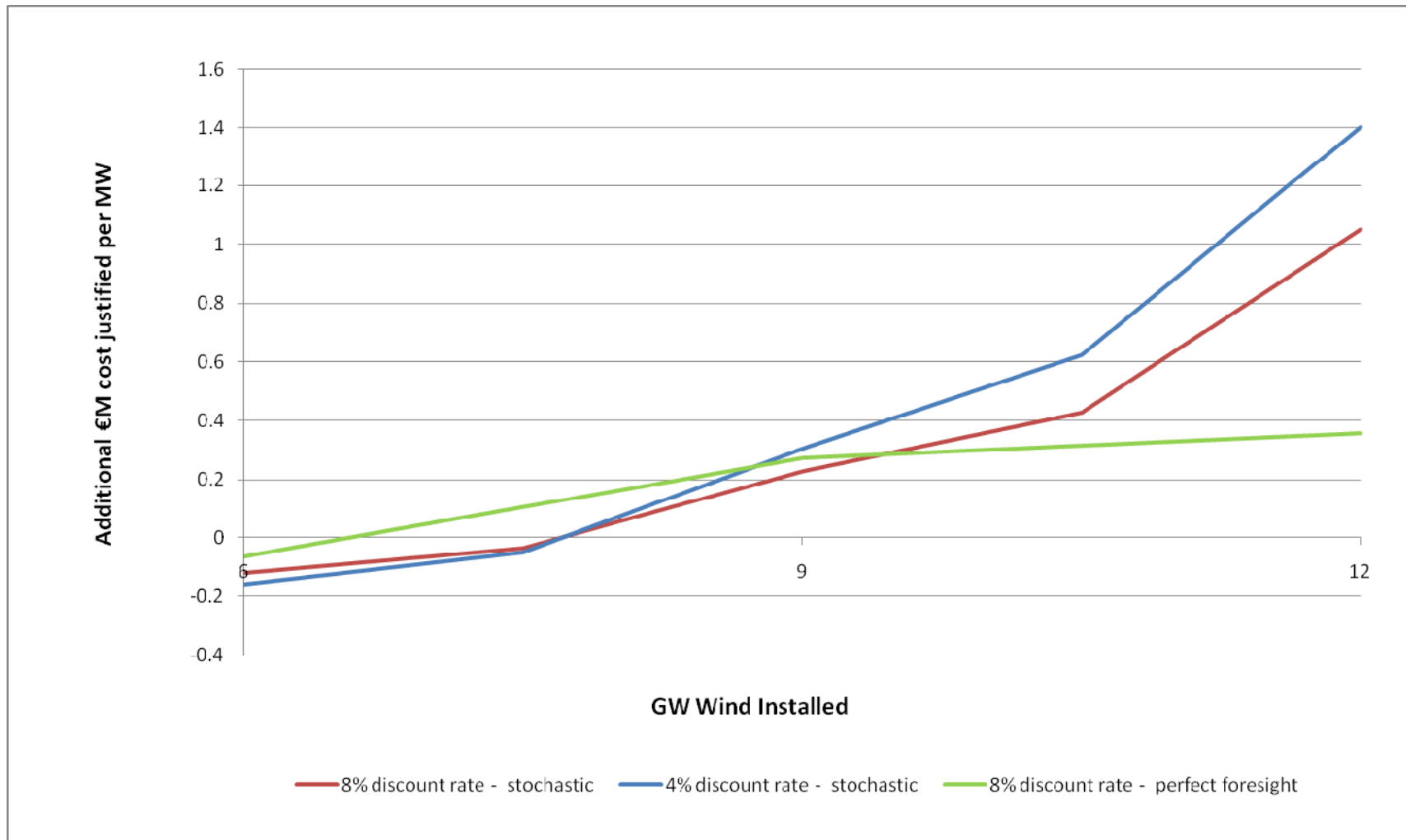
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# Additional Capital Expenditure justified

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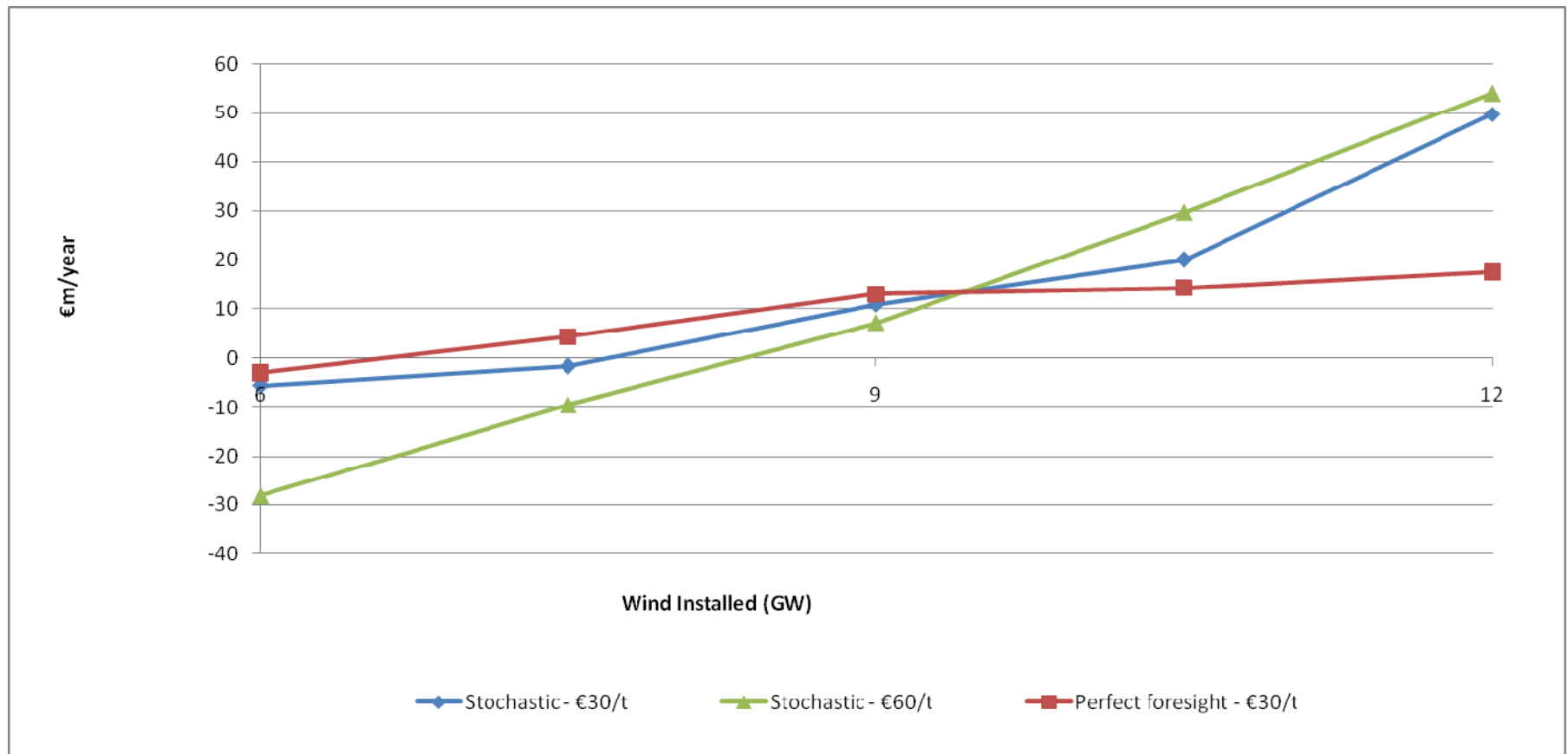


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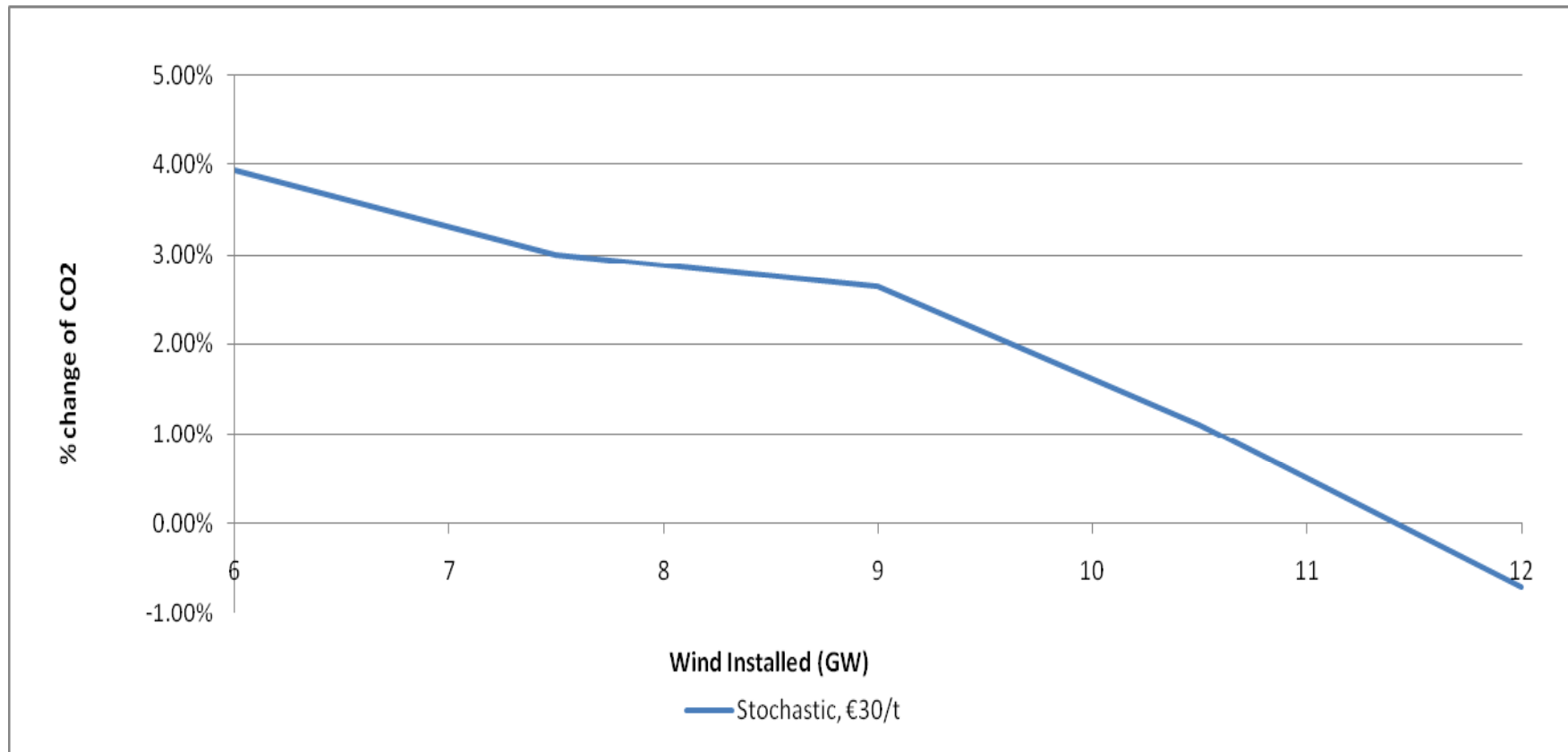
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Relative to base case (+ saving) (- loss)

# Emissions

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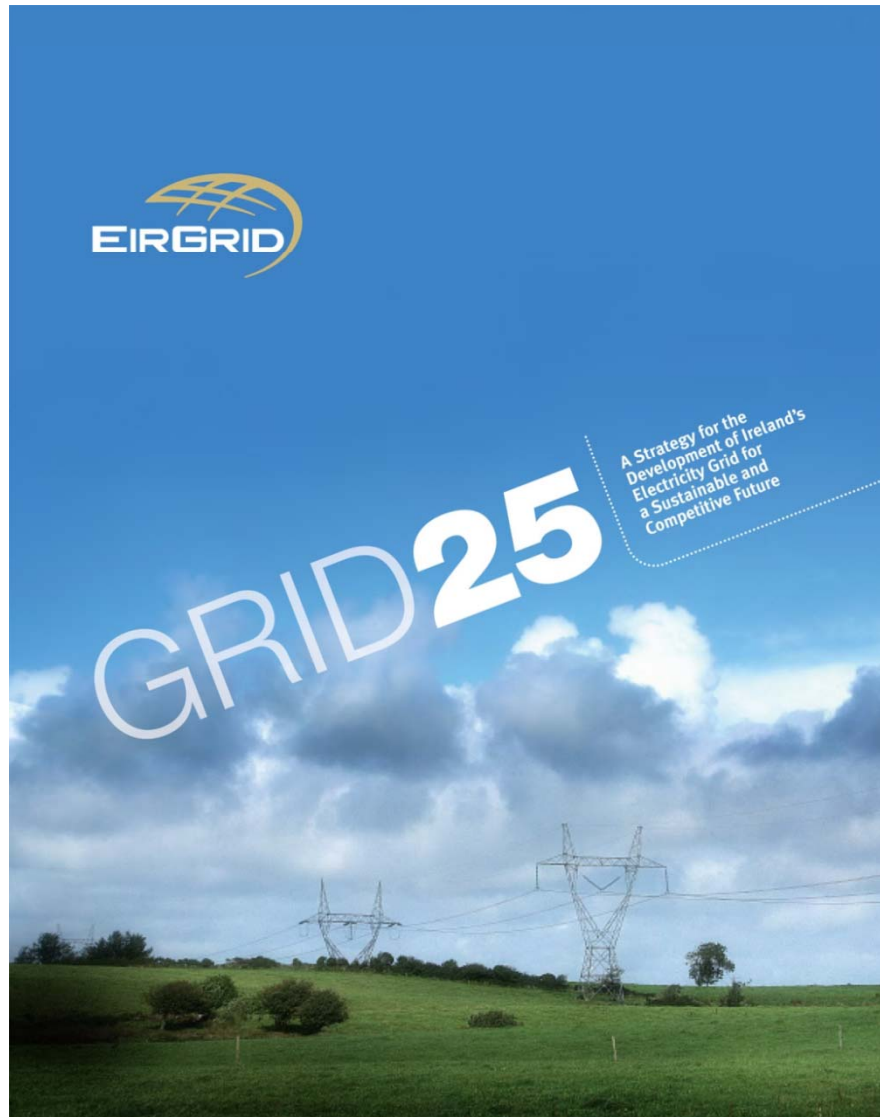
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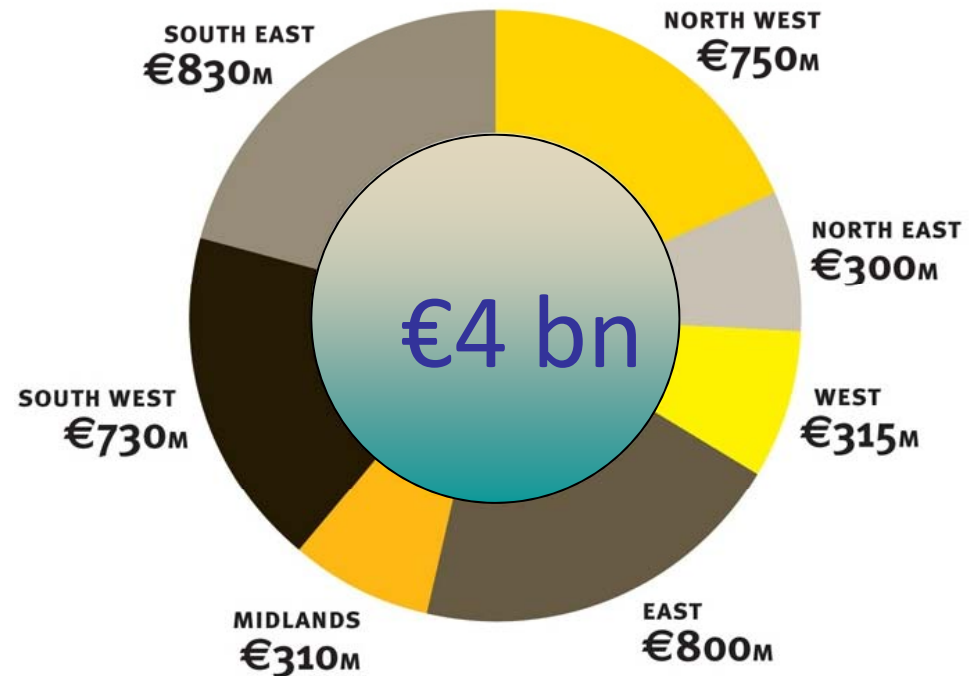
# Developing the Grid - Grid25

MOM1

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- 2,200 km Upgrades
- 1,150 km new build
- €4 billion



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Mark O'Malley, 12/6/2010

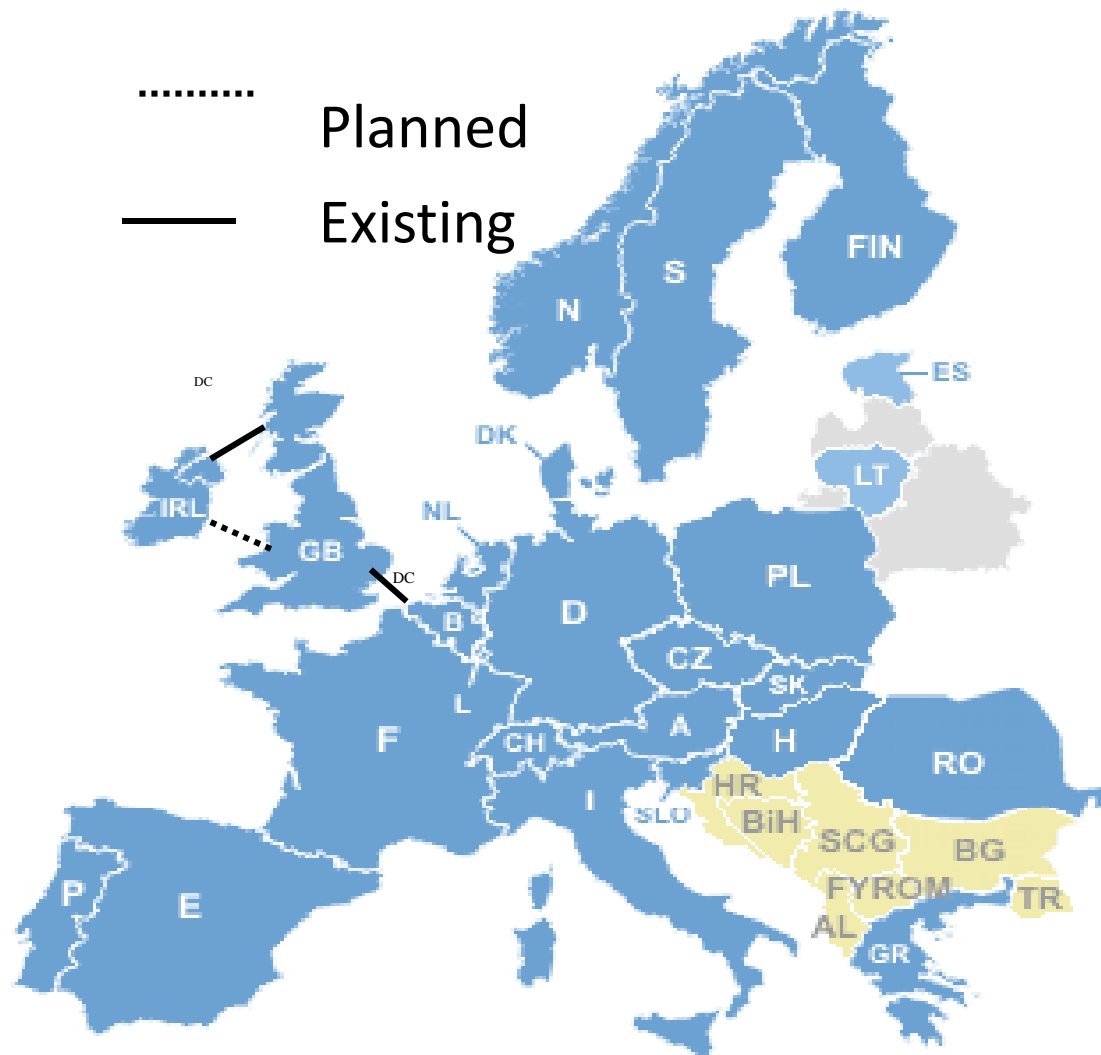
# Public acceptance of transmission

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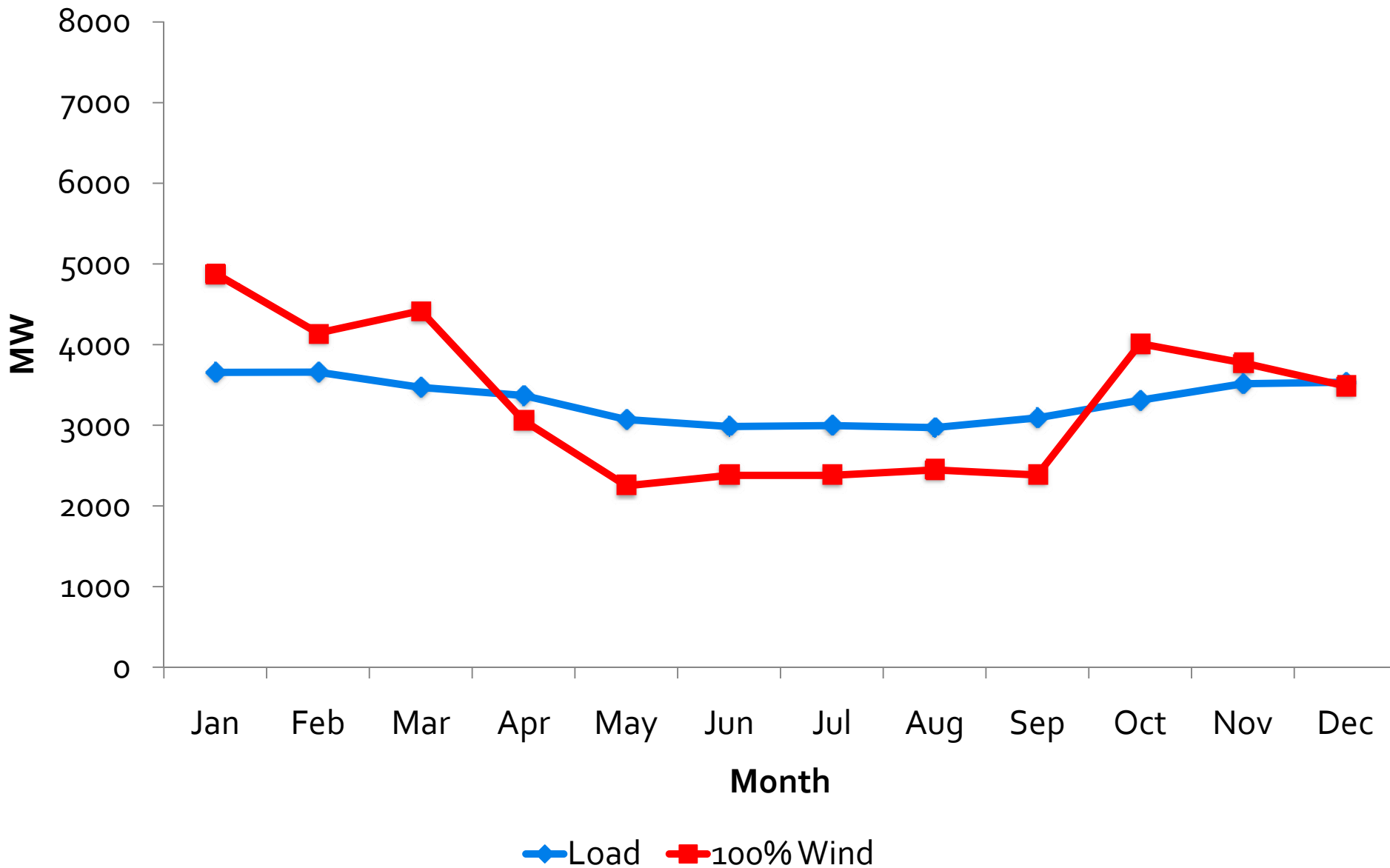
# Interconnection

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# Seasonal (100 % Wind)







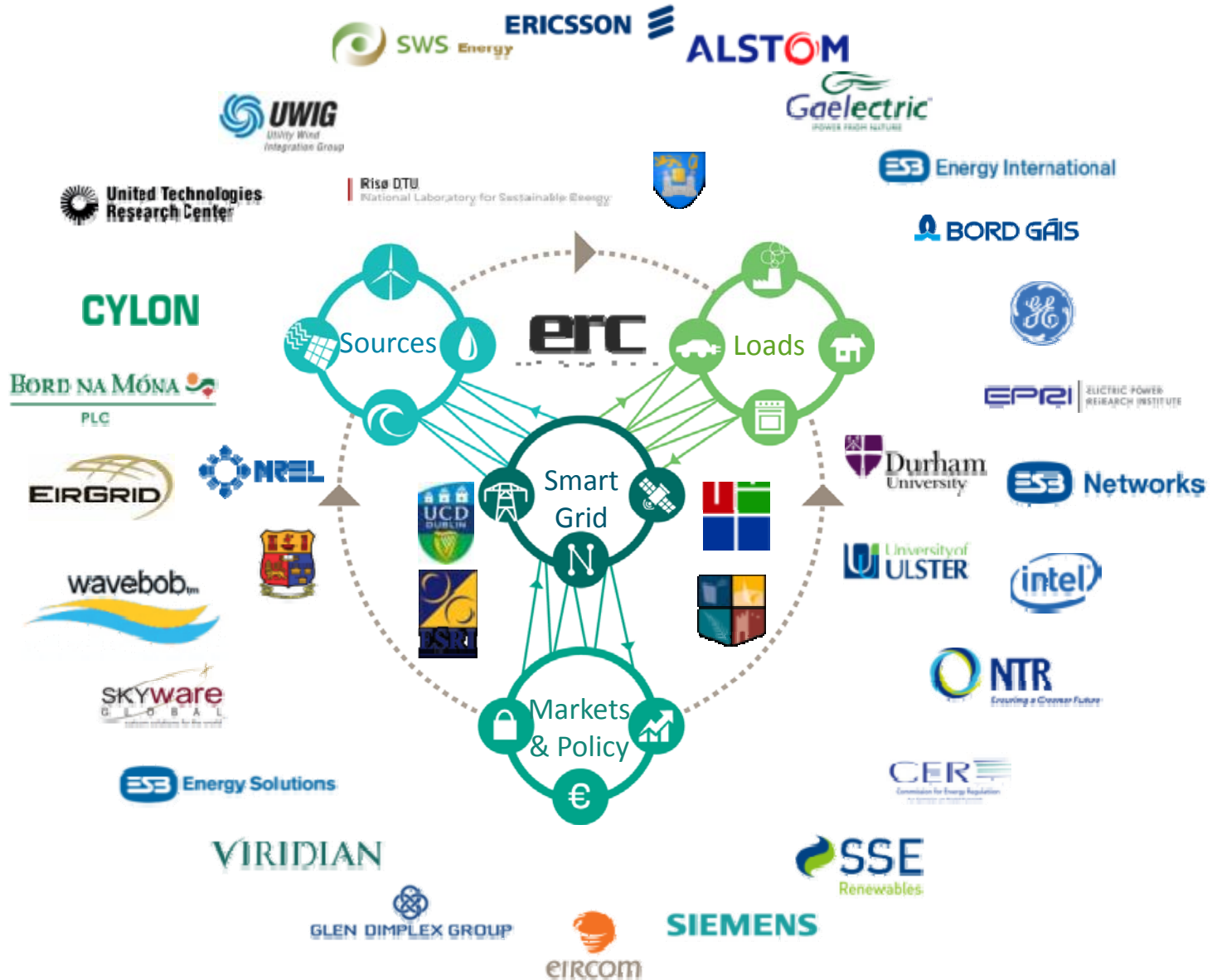
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# Research & Demonstration

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# Sustainable Electrical Energy Systems (2011–2015)

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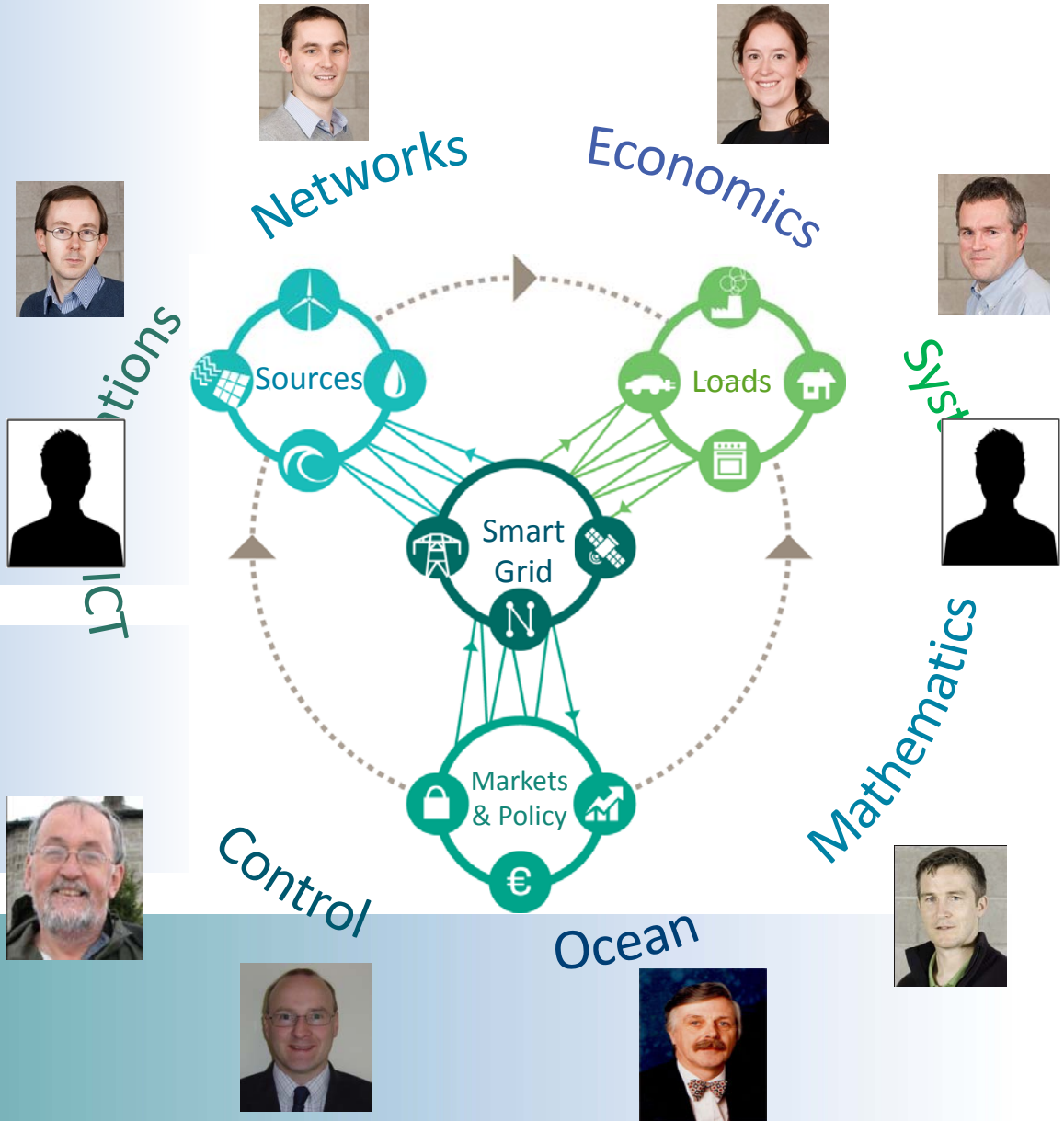
# Research & demonstration programme

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DEVELOP STRUCTURE TO DELIVER A FLEXIBLE & INTEGRATED GRID

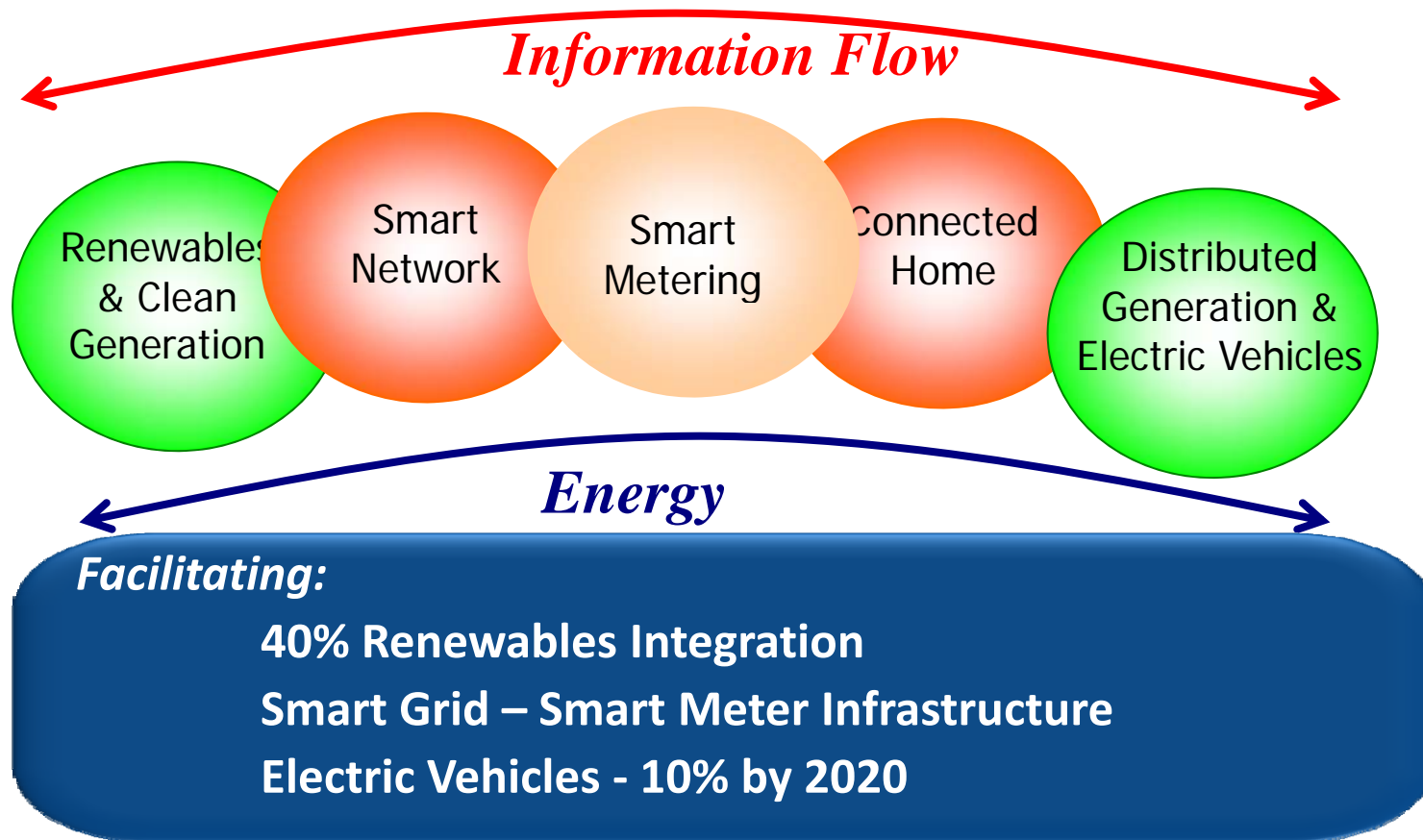
DEFINE MARKET POLICY & FRAMEWORK

IMPLEMENT ICT & DEMONSTRATIONS



# ESB Integrated Smart Networks Model

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# Conclusions

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- Good wind resource – very high targets
- Transmission is a problem
- Interconnection is a good option
- Large scale storage is challenging
- Dynamics are an issue
- Flexibility is the key
- Large research programme
- Combination of solutions will emerge
- Societal issues are very important

# Recent Journal Publications

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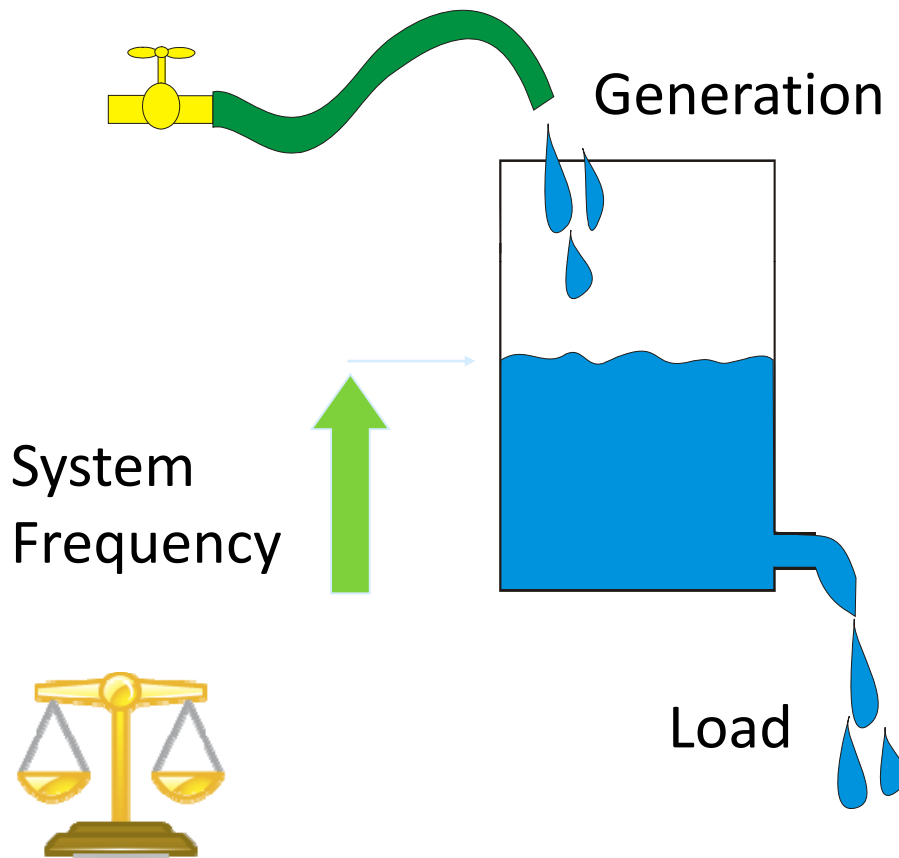
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# Dynamics: Frequency Stability

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# System Frequency control

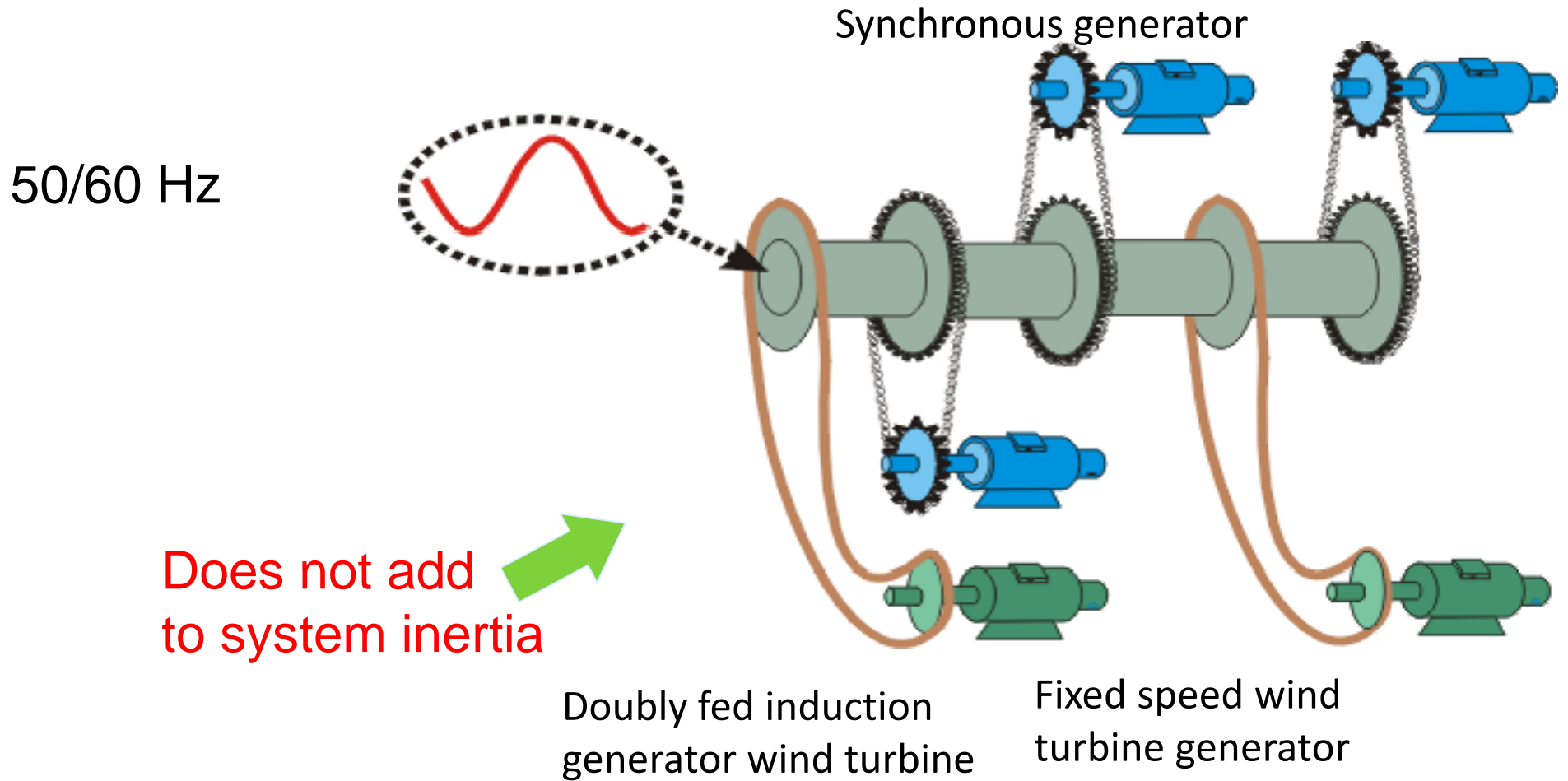
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- If generation and load are matched water level (system frequency) will remain constant
- Mismatches will result in a change in water level (system frequency)

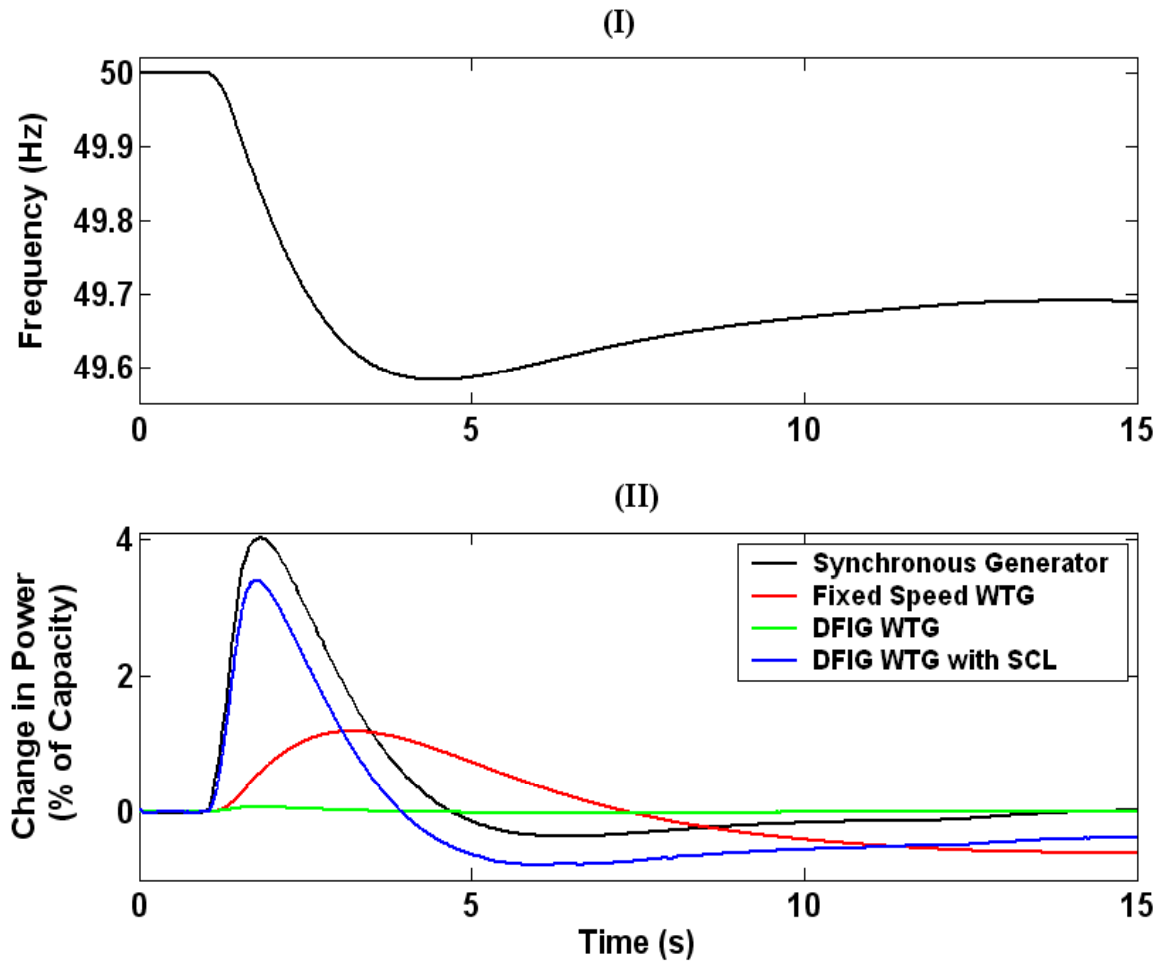
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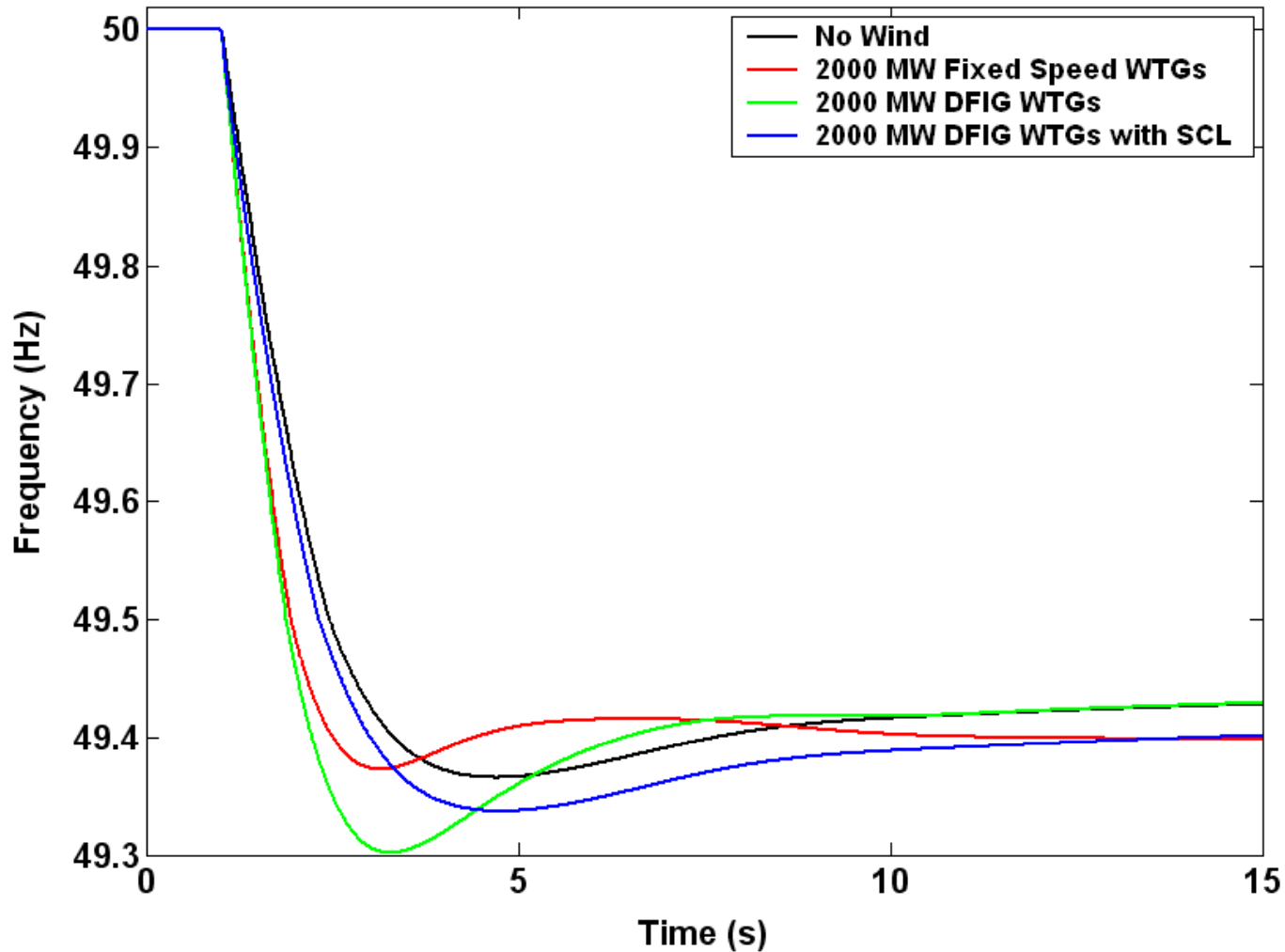
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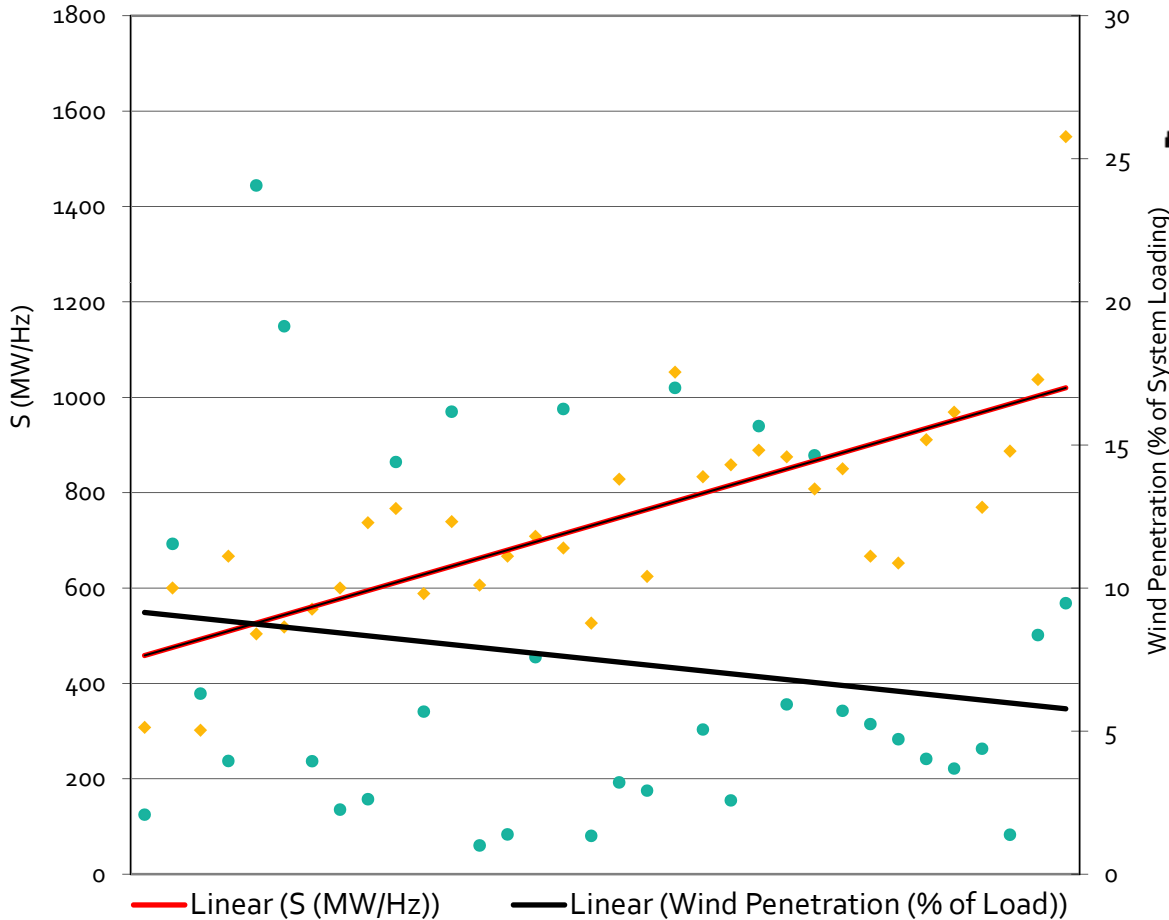
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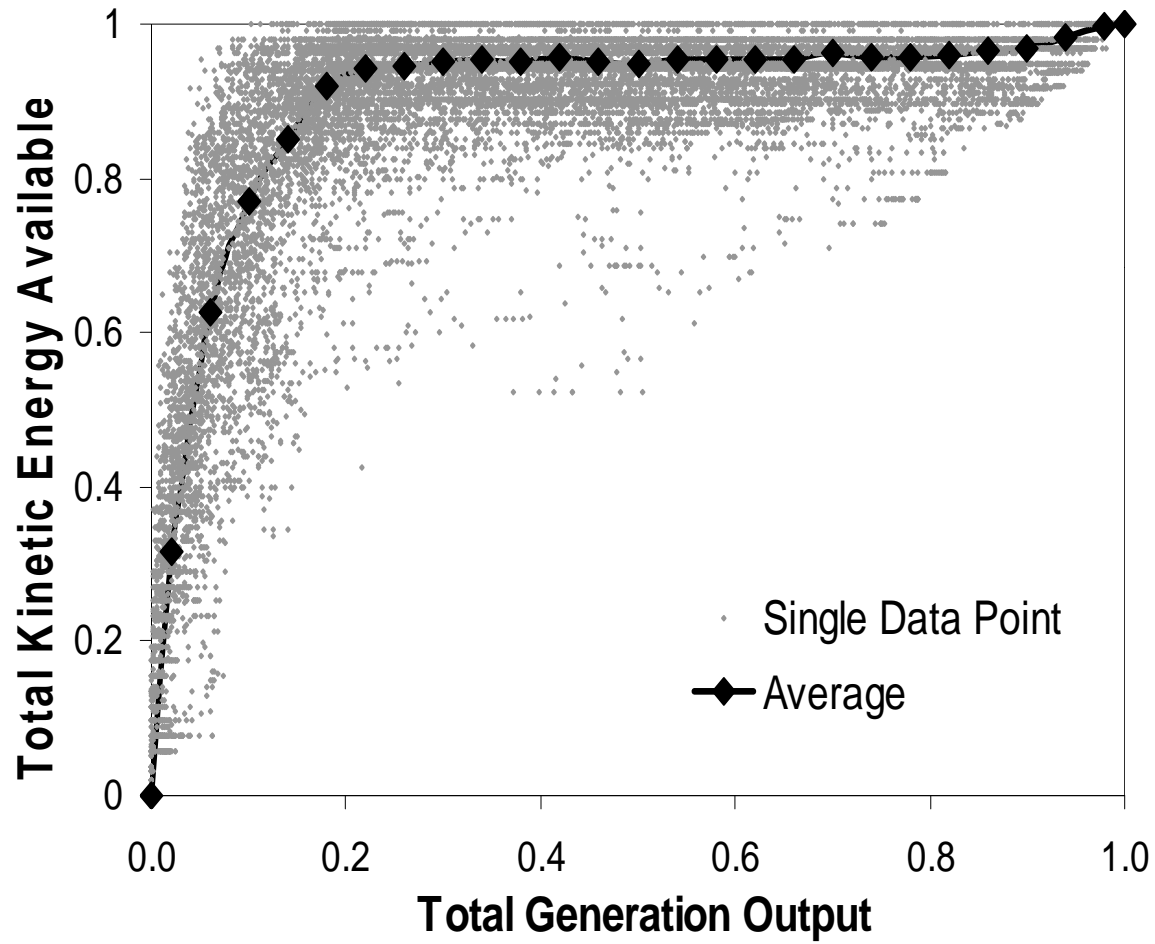
$$S = \left( \frac{MW_{Lost}}{f_{pre-event} - f_{mid/post-event}} \right)$$

- Wind penetration increases
- Stiffness decreases
  - Indicates increased vulnerability to a loss of generation event

## □ Should there be a market in frequency response ?

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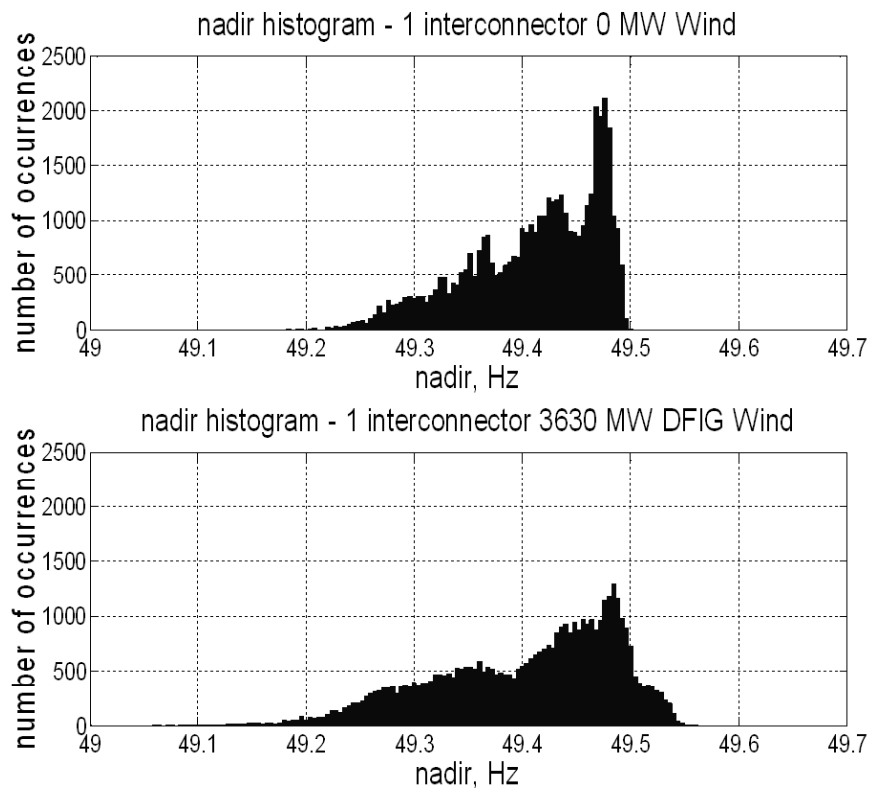
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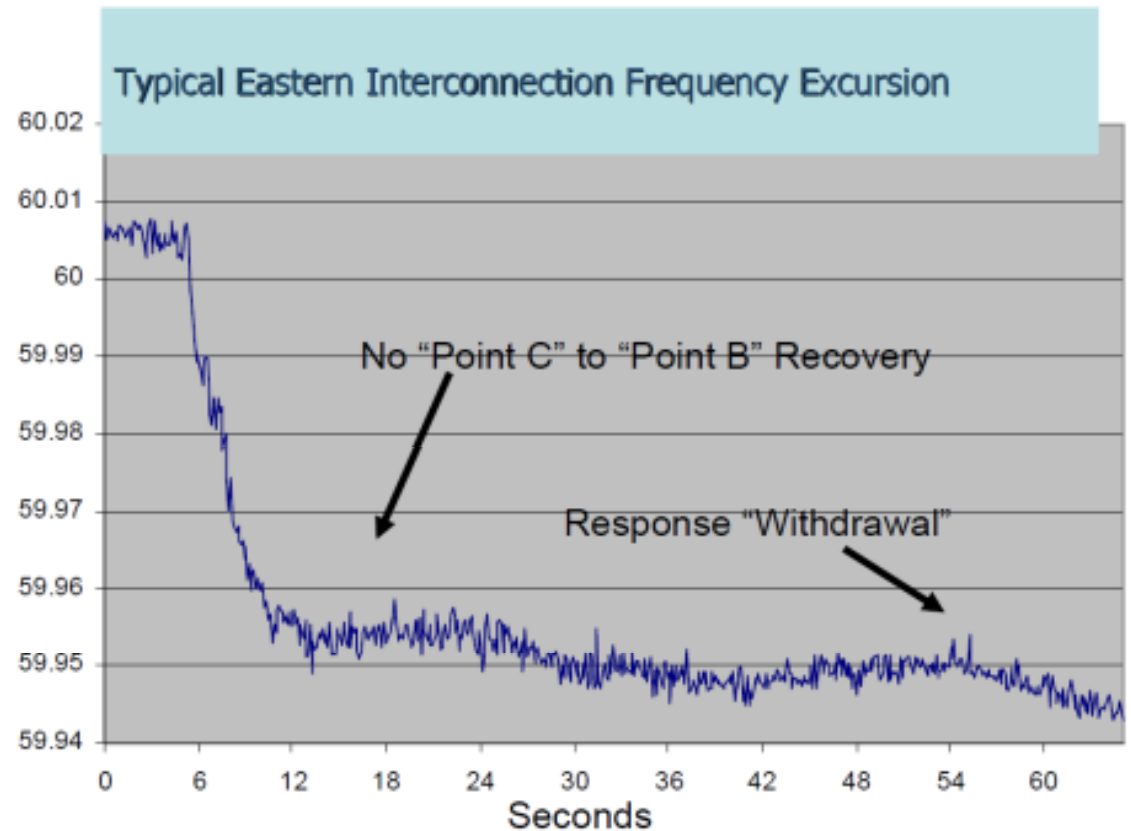
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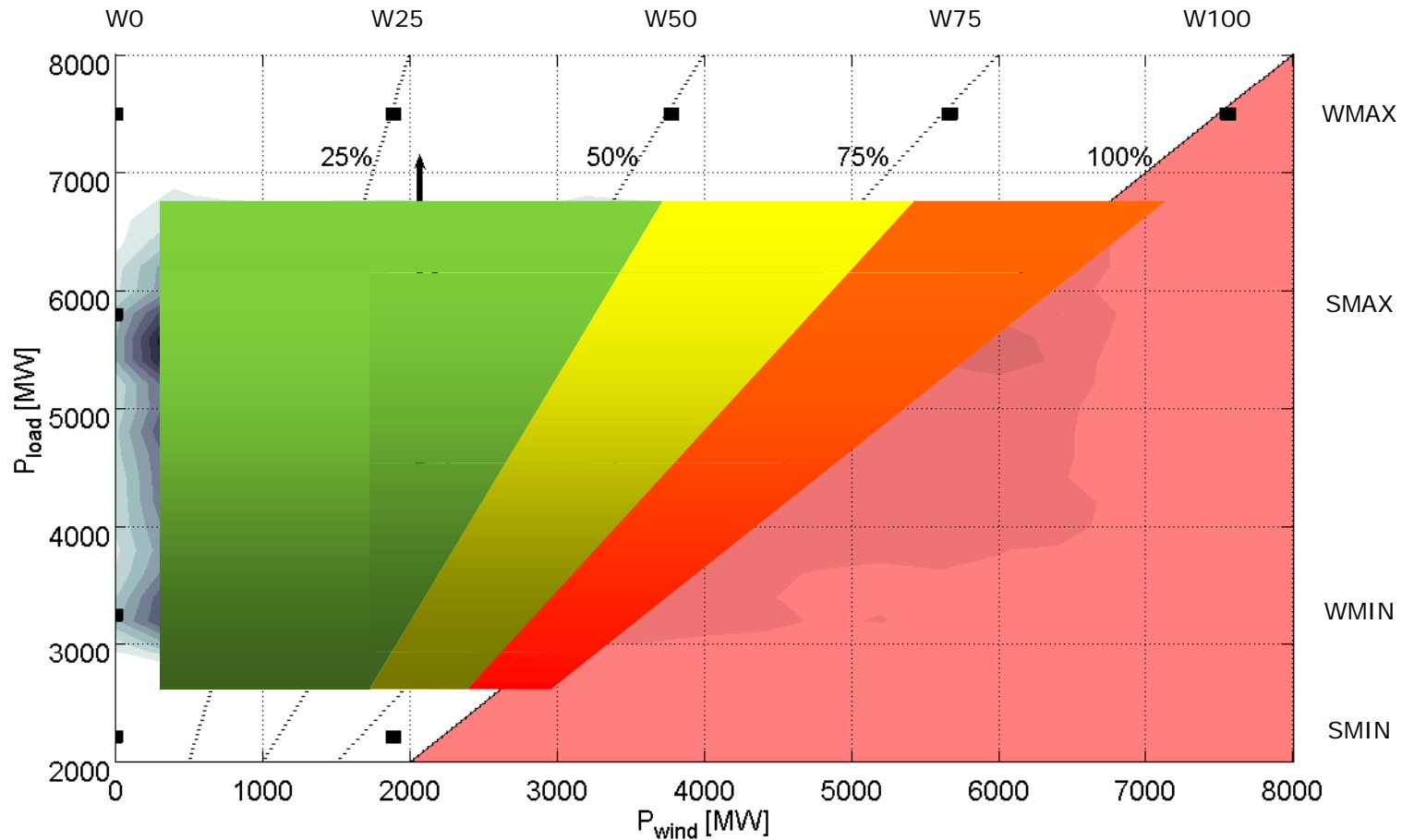
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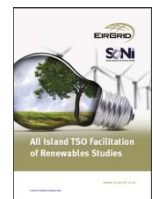


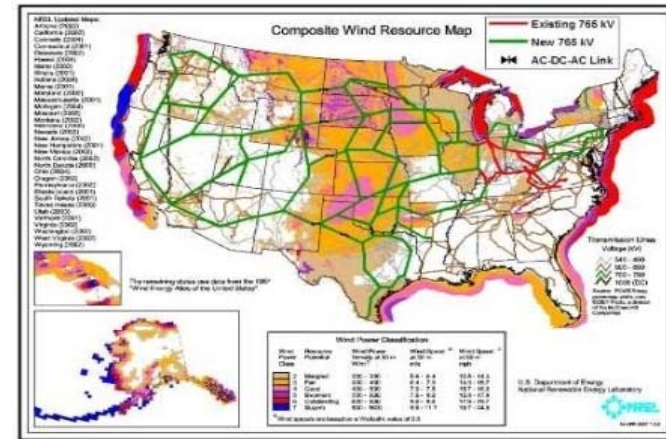
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