

# Scheme based on Regression Analysis for the Determination of Power Flow Control Device Settings

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# Optimal Locations for Wind Generation in the US

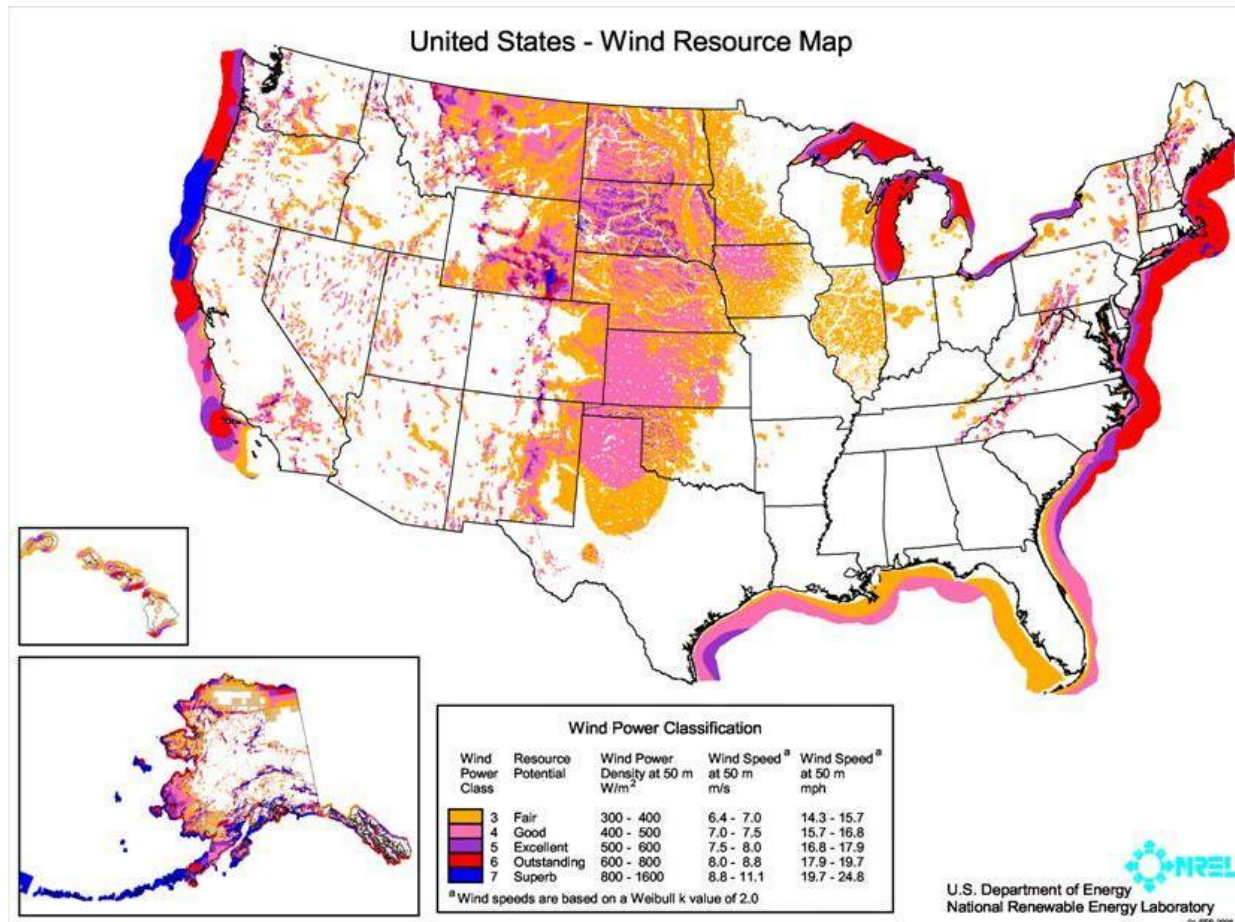


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# Solutions?

- Transmission lines

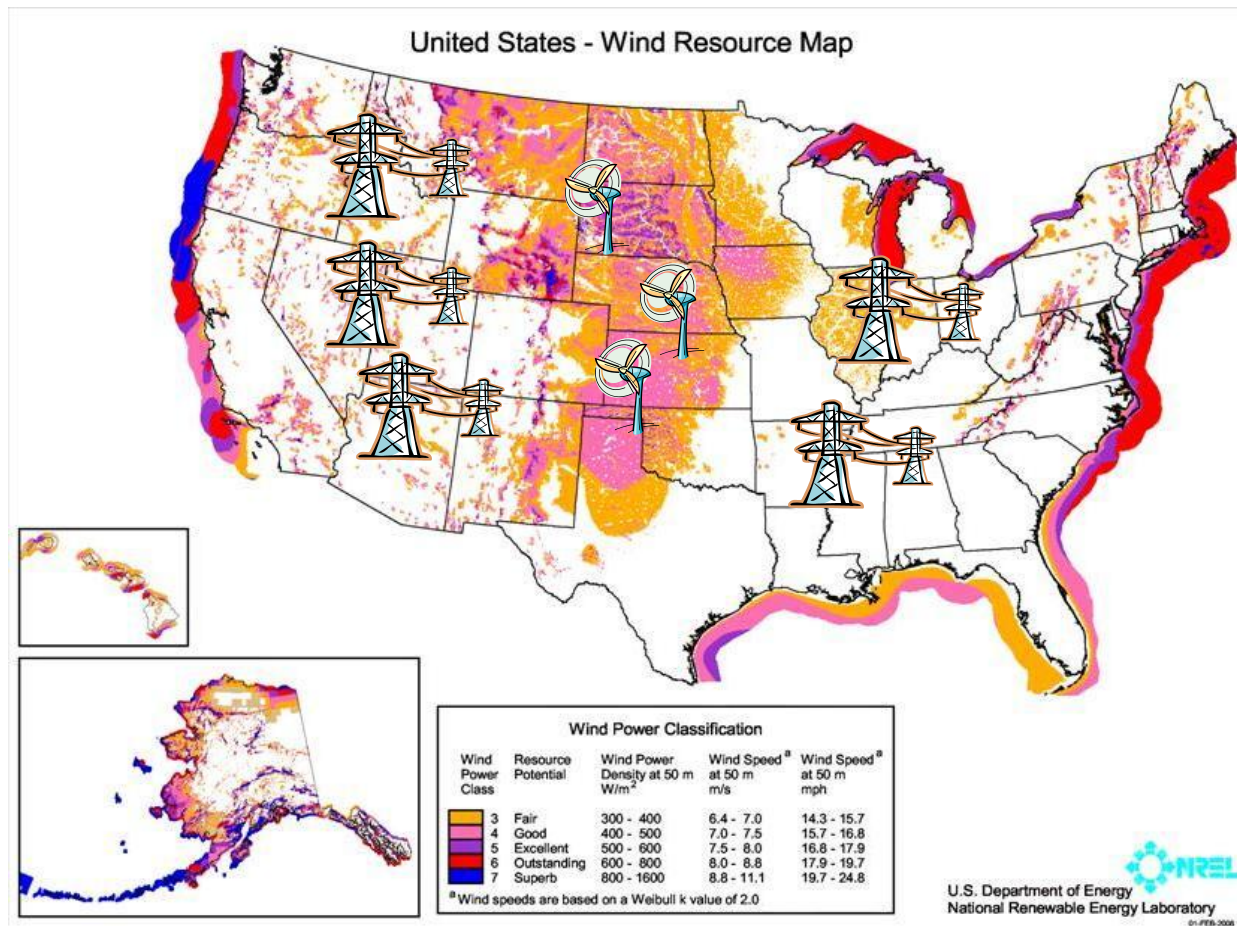


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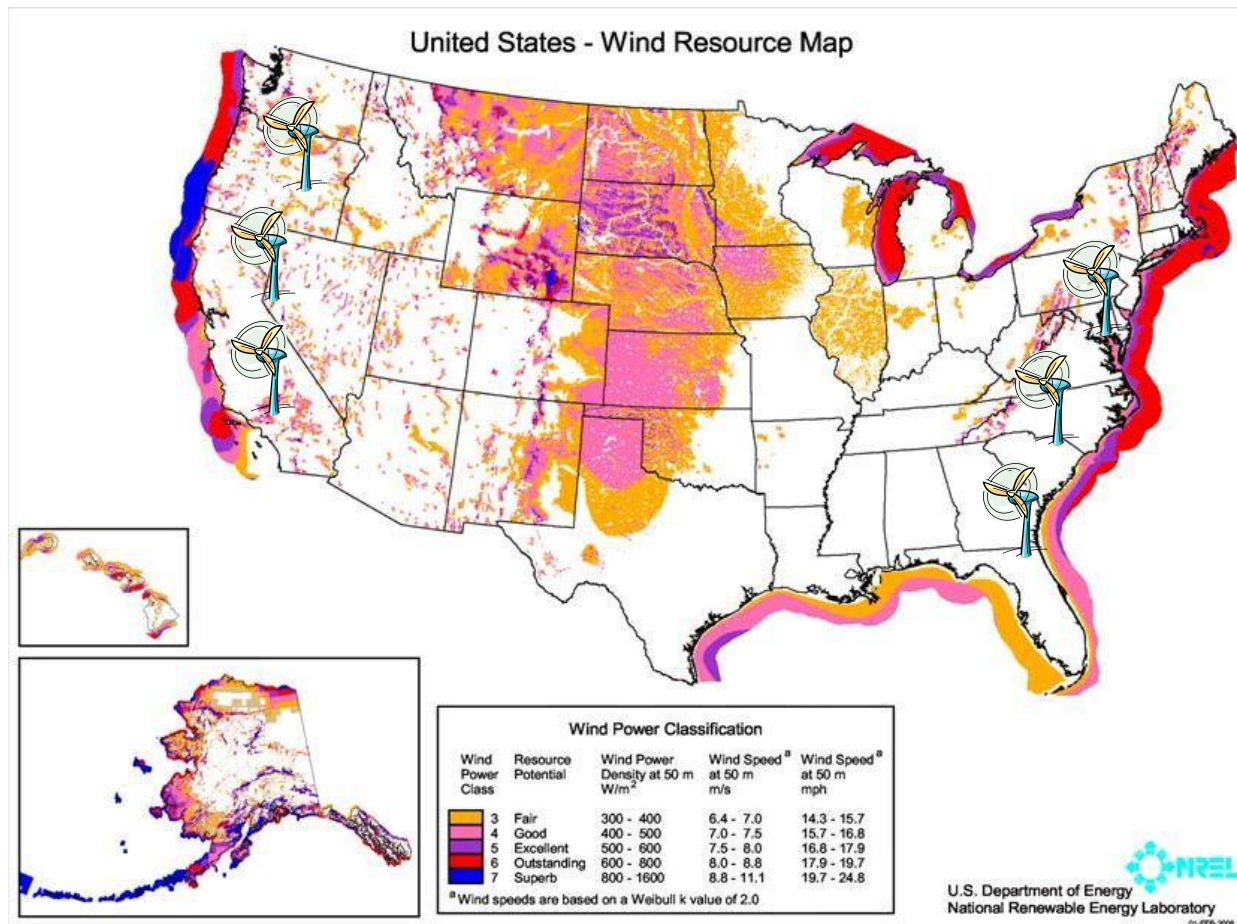


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# Solutions?

- Power Flow Control

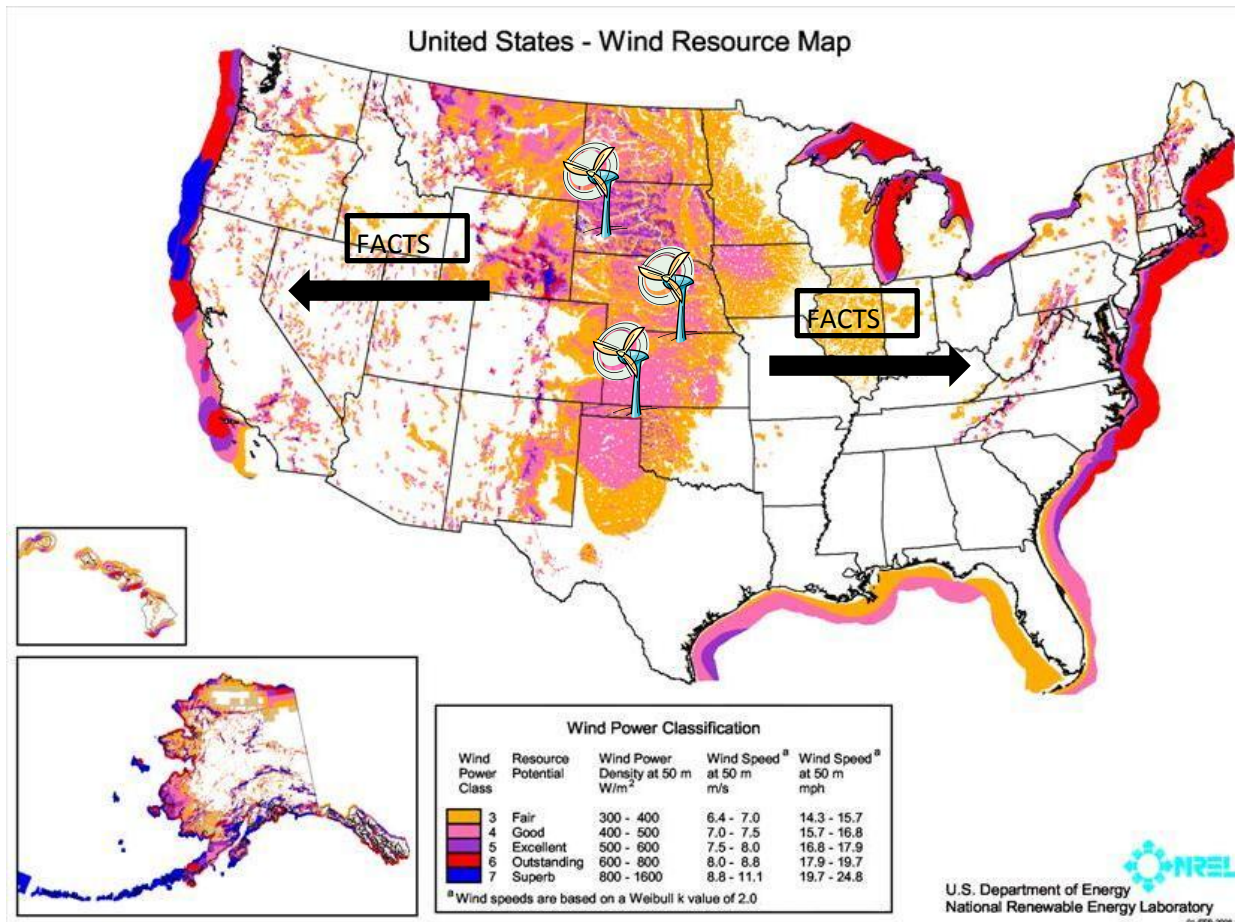


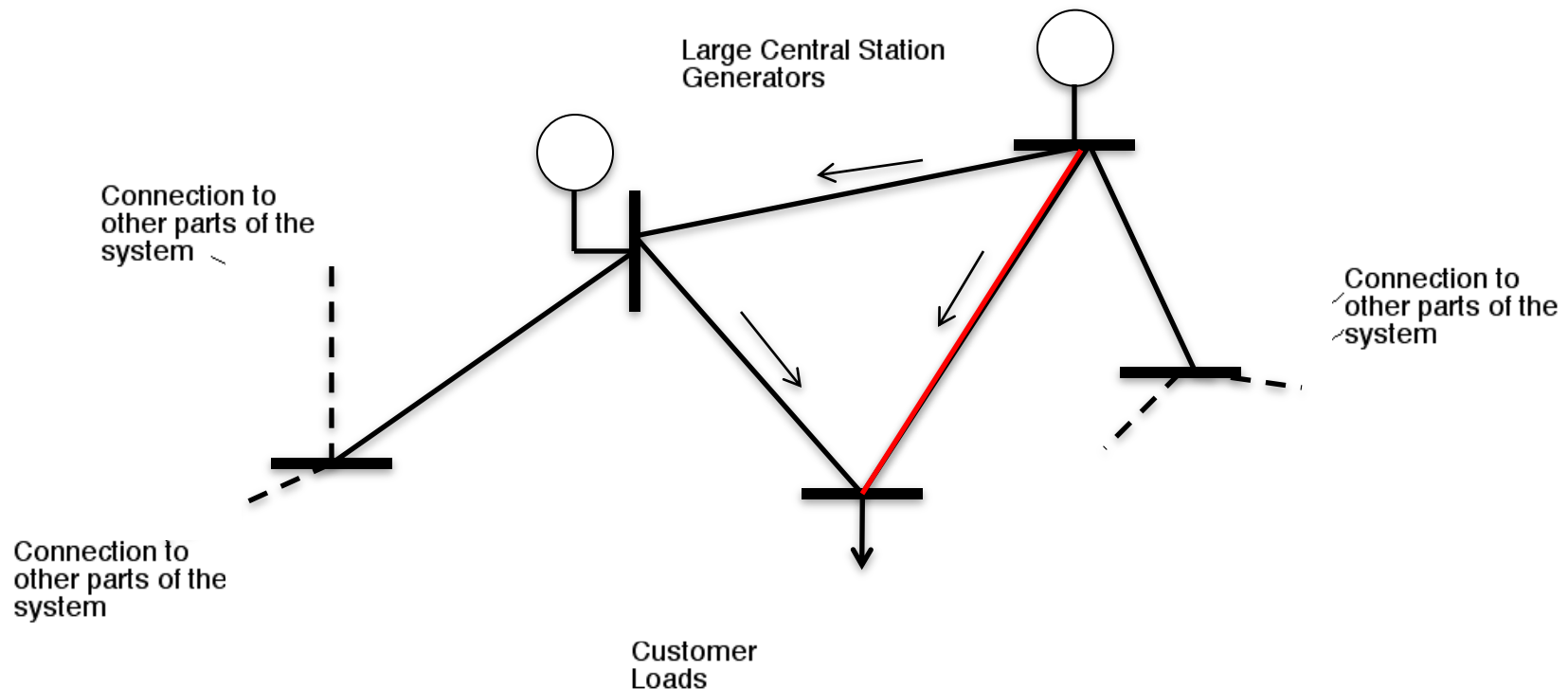
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# Limited Capacity of Transmission System

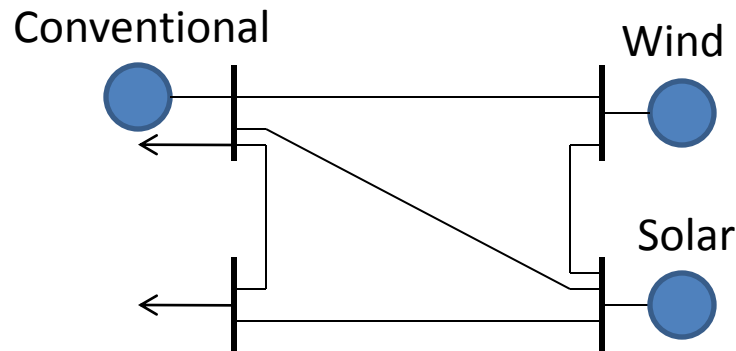
- Transfer capacity of a line is limited





# Power Flow Control

- Opportunities
  - Optimal usage of existing transmission system
  - Adjustable to required needs
  - Fast response



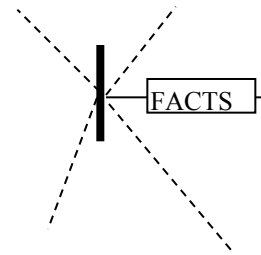
- Requirements
  - Control method taking into account variability
  - Communication/Sensing

# What are FACTS Devices?

- FACTS = **F**lexible **A**lternate **C**urrent **T**ransmission **S**ystem
- ability to influence power flows and voltages
- based on thyristor technology
- Types:

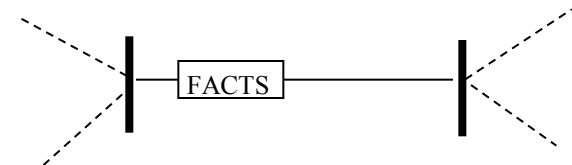
- Shunt connected

- mainly influence voltages
- SVC, STATCOM, etc.



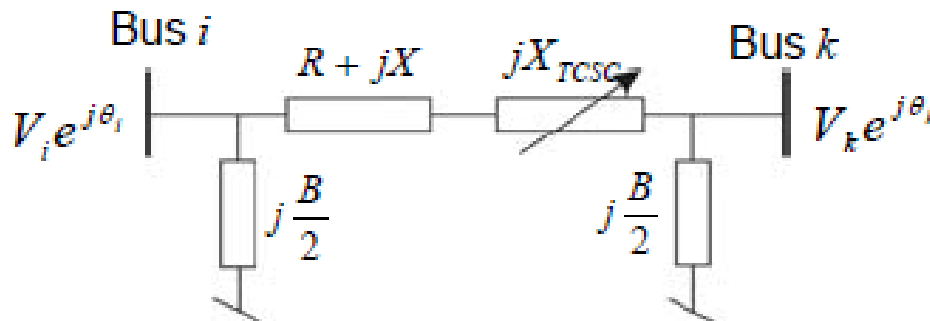
- Series connected

- mainly influence active power flow
- TCSC, TCPST, etc.



# Thyristor Controlled Series Compensator

- Modeling
  - variable reactance in series with line



$$X_{total} = X_{Line} + X_{TCSC}$$

$$\max(X_{TCSC, \min}, -0.9 X_{Line}) \leq X_{TCSC} \leq \min(X_{TCSC, \max}, 0.4 X_{Line})$$

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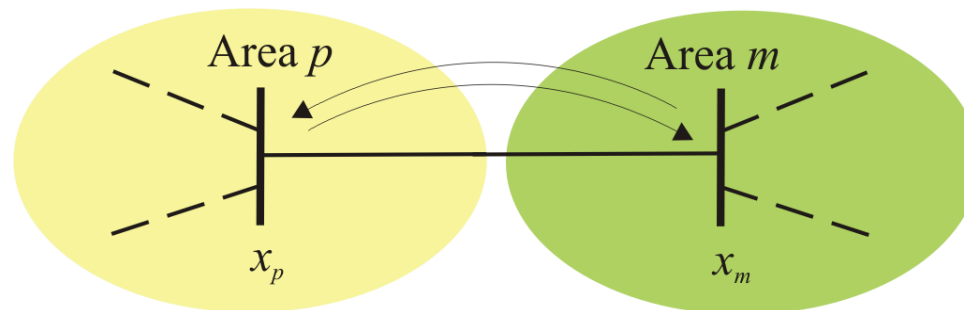
# Approaches

- Centralized
  - Single controller
  - Information of the entire system needed
- Distributed
  - Controller for each area or device
  - Communication between devices needed
  - Based on local information and information received from other devices
- Decentralized Approach
  - Local controller for each device
  - Based on a limit amount of local information



# Distributed Approach

- Decomposed Optimization



Overall Problem

Lagrangian Relaxation  
Optimality Condition Decomposition  
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⇒ iterative process

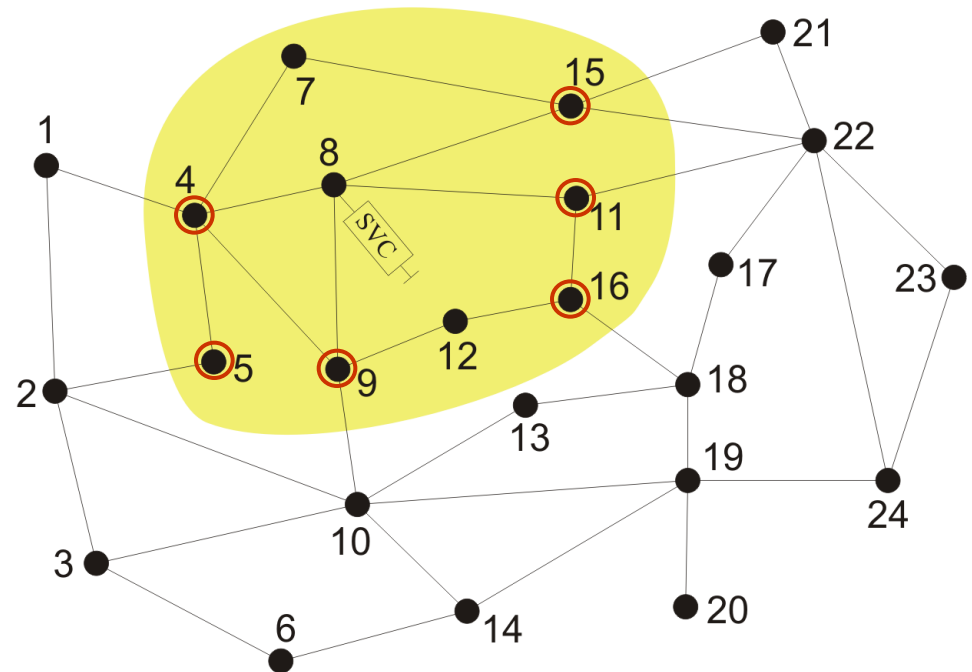
Subproblem 1

Subproblem 2

# Decentralized Approach

- Limited OPF
  - Approximation of influence at border buses
 
$$V_i = V_{0_i} + K_{V_i-u} \cdot u$$

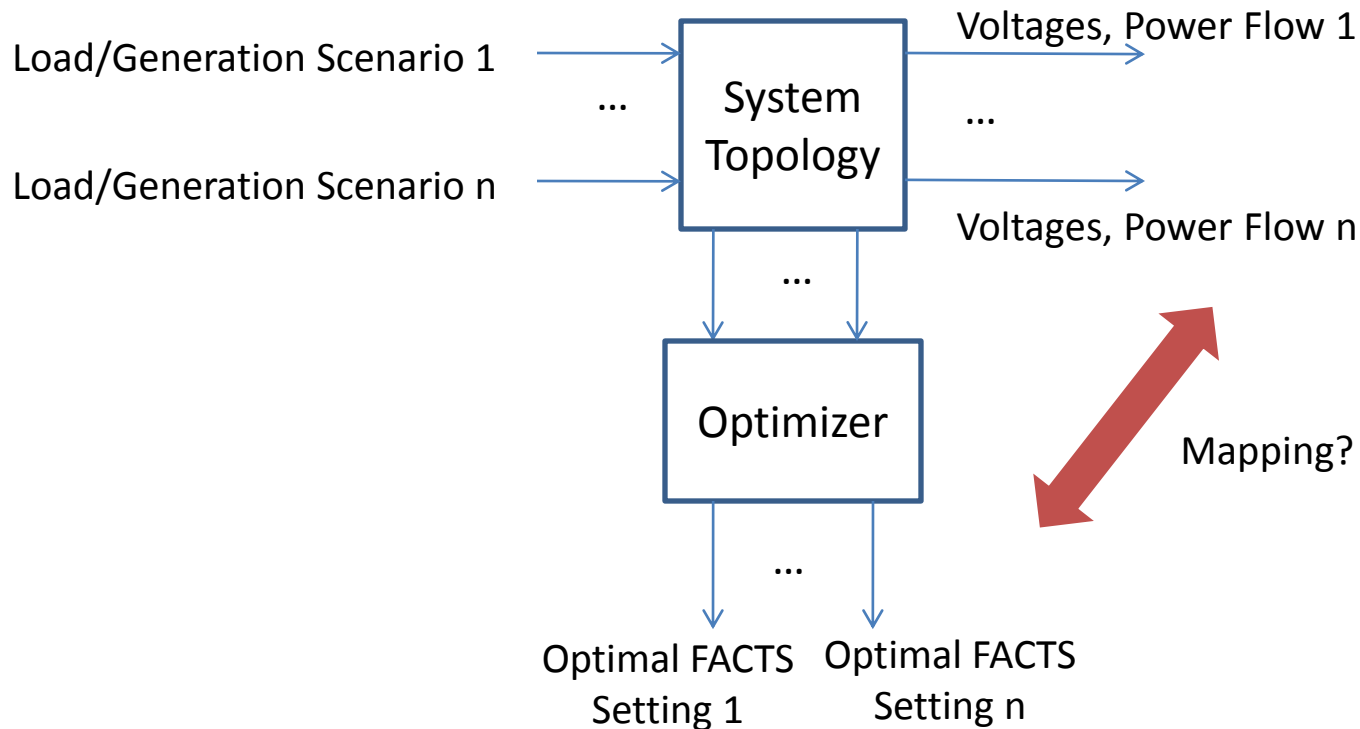
$$\theta_i = \theta_{0_i} + K_{\theta_i-u} \cdot u$$
  - Reduced Optimal Power Flow



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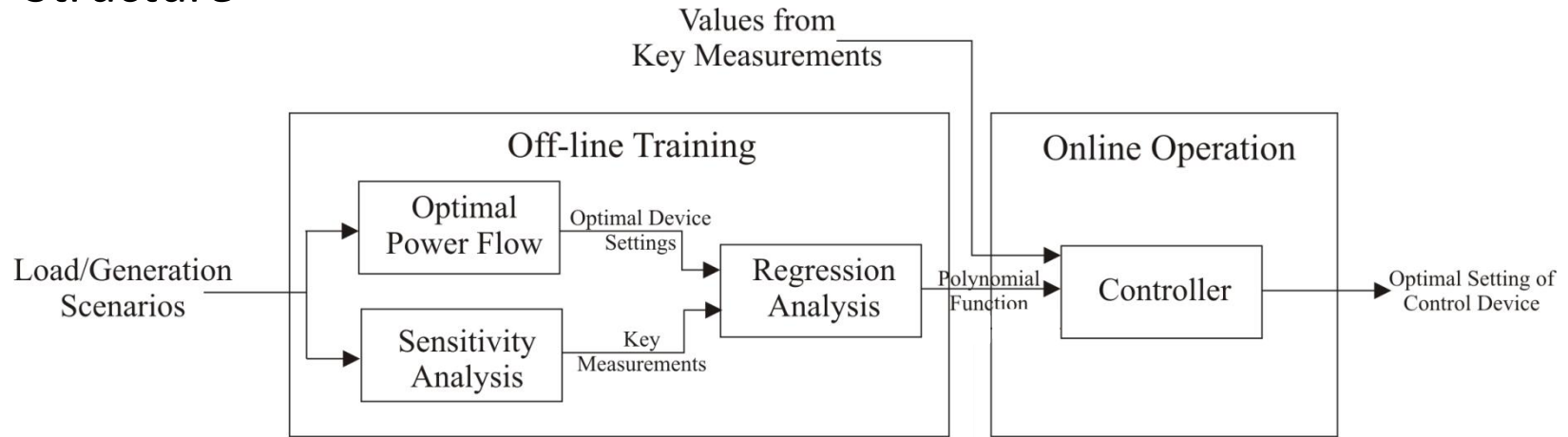
# Mapping of System State to Optimal FACTS Setting



- Optimization Offline
- Use Mapping for Online Operation

# Regression Analysis

- Structure



- Offline Simulation

- Solve OPF for various generation and load scenarios
- Determine function: optimal setting =  $f(\text{local measurements})$

- Online Decision Making

- Function determined in offline simulation
- Local measurements



# Offline Simulation

- Optimization Problem

- Control variable: setting of the FACTS device  $X_{TCSC}$  or  $\eta_{TCSC} = \frac{X_{TCSC}}{X_{Line}}$
- Objective function
  - Multiple choices
  - Maximize the minimum value of the capacity margin

$$\max (\min (P_{margin,ij}))$$

where the capacity margin of the transmission line is defined as

$$P_{margin,ij} = \frac{F_{ij}^{\max} - |P_{ij}|}{F_{ij}^{\max}}$$

# Offline Simulation

- Optimization Problem

- Constraints

- Power flow equations

$$P_{G,i} - P_{L,i} - \sum_j P_{ij} = 0, Q_{G,i} - Q_{L,i} - \sum_j Q_{ij} = 0$$

- Model of the loads

$$\square P_{L,k} \sim \text{random}, \tilde{P}_{L,k} = P_{L,k}^0 + \square P_{L,k}, \tilde{P}_{L,T} = \sum_{k=1}^{\text{numLoad}} \tilde{P}_{L,k}$$

$$P_{L,T} \sim \text{random}, P_{L,k} = \frac{P_{L,T}}{\tilde{P}_{L,T}} \tilde{P}_{L,k}$$

$$PF_{L,k} = \text{constant}$$

- Device limits of TCSC

$$\max(X_{TCSC,\min}, -0.9 X_{Line}) \leq X_{TCSC} \leq \min(X_{TCSC,\max}, 0.4 X_{Line})$$

# Offline Simulation

- Determining Key Measurements
  - Considered measurements
    - Active power flows and current magnitudes on lines
    - Voltage magnitudes and angles at buses
  - Sensitivity analysis
    - Assumption: if FACTS device setting has large influence on system value => system value gives important information for optimal device setting
    - calculate influence of FACTS device on considered measurements  $z$

$$K = \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta X_{TCSC}}$$

# Offline Simulation

- Regression Analysis

- Key measurements

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} P_{ij(I)} & I_{mn(I)} & \theta_{p(I)} & \eta_{TCSC} \end{bmatrix}^T = [x_1 \quad x_2 \quad \cdots \quad x_K]^T$$

- Optimal setting

$y$

- Polynomial fitting – quadratic function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T B x + a^T x + c$$

- Features and coefficients in the function

$$f(\tilde{x}) = \alpha^T \tilde{x}$$

$$\tilde{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & \cdots & x_K & x_1^2 & x_1 x_2 & \cdots & x_1 x_K & x_2^2 & x_2 x_3 & \cdots & x_2 x_K & \cdots & x_K^2 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

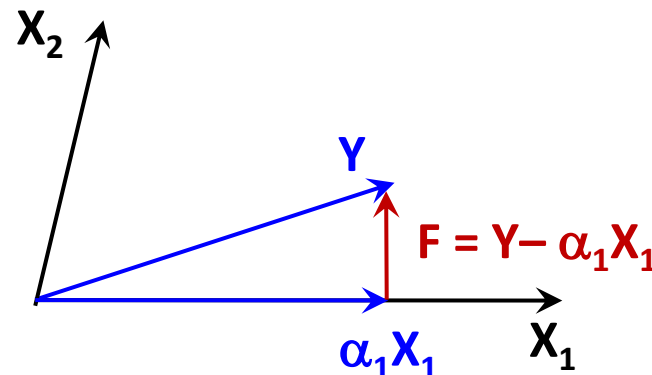
$$\alpha = [c \quad a_1 \quad \cdots \quad a_K \quad 1/2 \cdot b_{11} \quad b_{12} \quad \cdots \quad b_{1K} \quad 1/2 \cdot b_{22} \quad b_{23} \quad \cdots \quad b_{2K} \quad \cdots \quad 1/2 \cdot b_{KK}]^T$$

- Fitting –  $L_0$ -norm regularization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \quad & \|X \alpha - Y\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \|\alpha\|_0 \leq \lambda \end{aligned}$$

# Offline Simulation

- Regression Analysis – Algorithm Used
  - Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP)
    - Step 1: Calculate the inner products  $\langle X_i, Y \rangle$
    - Step 2: Select  $X_i$  that corresponds to the largest inner product magnitude
    - Step 3: Solve the coefficient  $\alpha_1$  by  $\min_{\alpha_1} \|\alpha_1 \cdot X_1 - Y\|_2^2$
    - Step 4: Calculate the residue  $F = Y - \alpha_1 \cdot X_1$
    - Step 5: recalculate inner products and coefficients, etc. until  $\lambda$  is reached

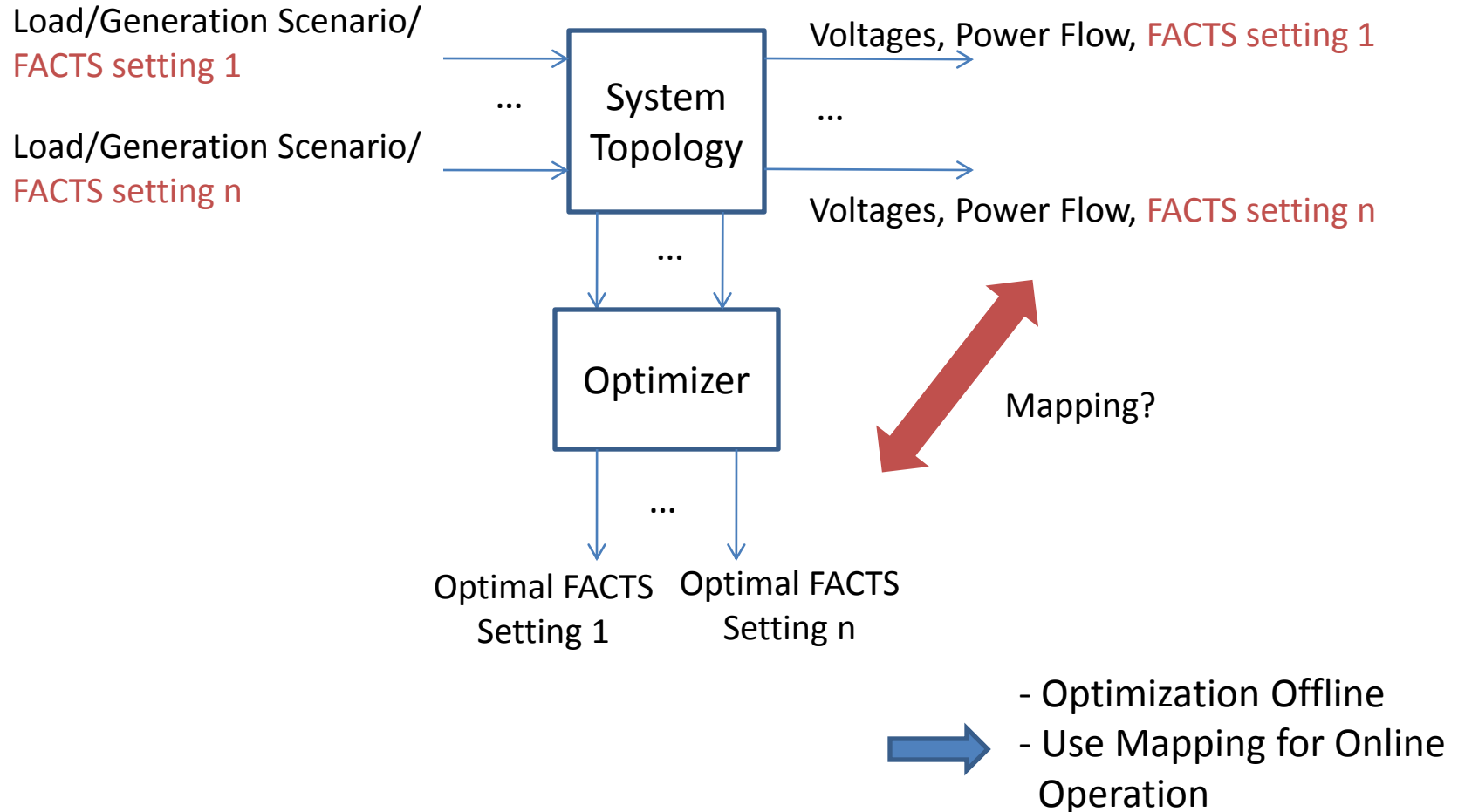




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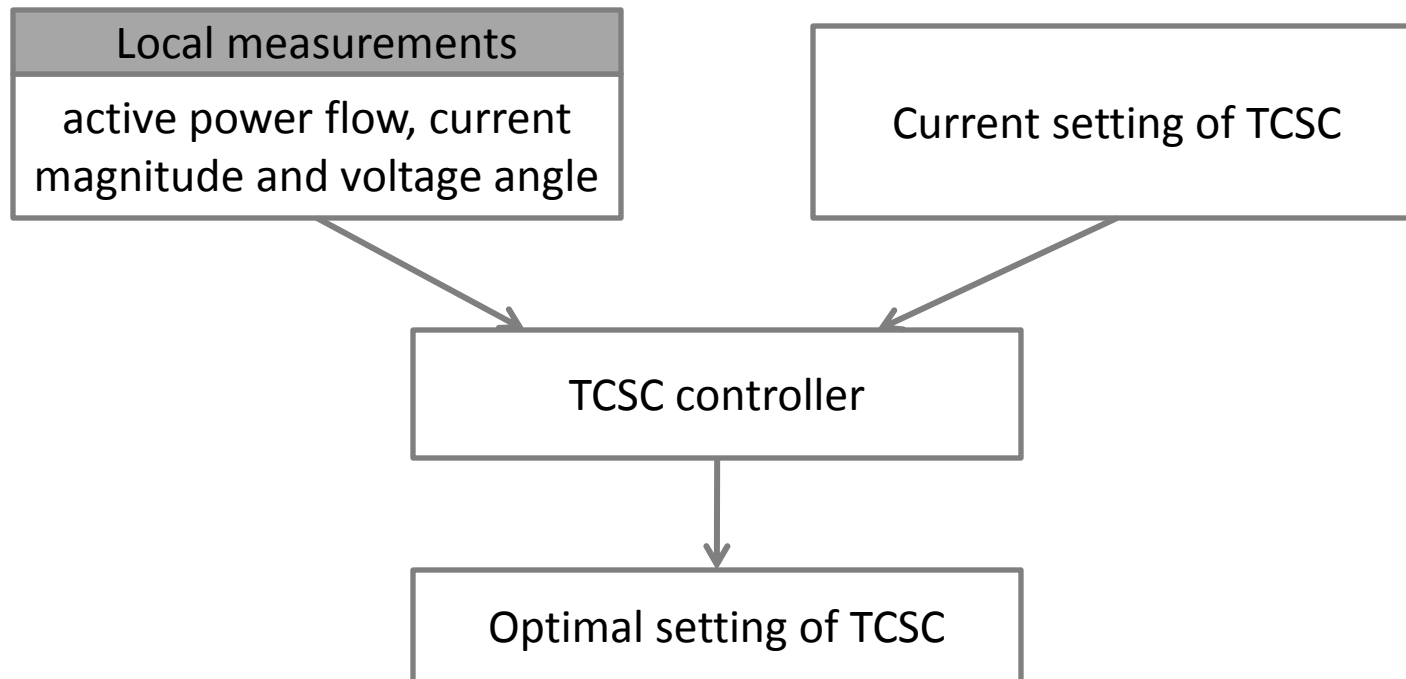
- Regression Analysis – Algorithm Used
  - Optimal value for number of the non-zero coefficients  $\lambda$ 
    - Case-dependent
    - determined by cross-validation: calculate coefficients from training set and estimate errors from testing set

# Mapping of System State to Optimal FACTS Setting



# Online Decision Making

- Process



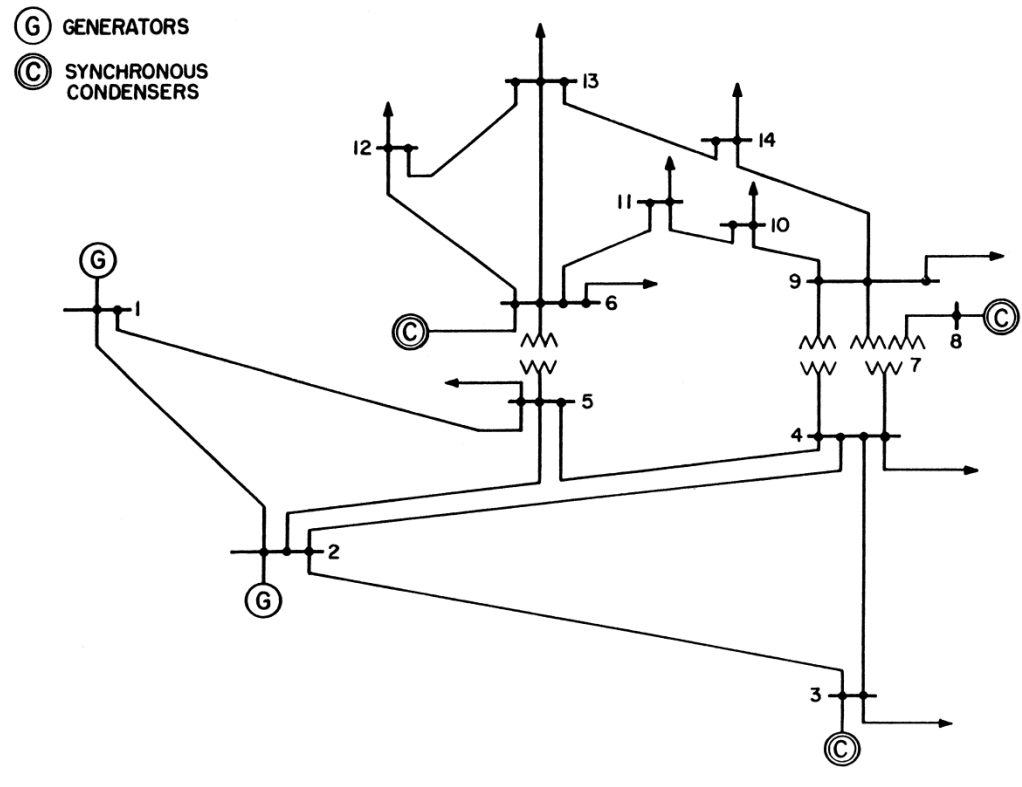
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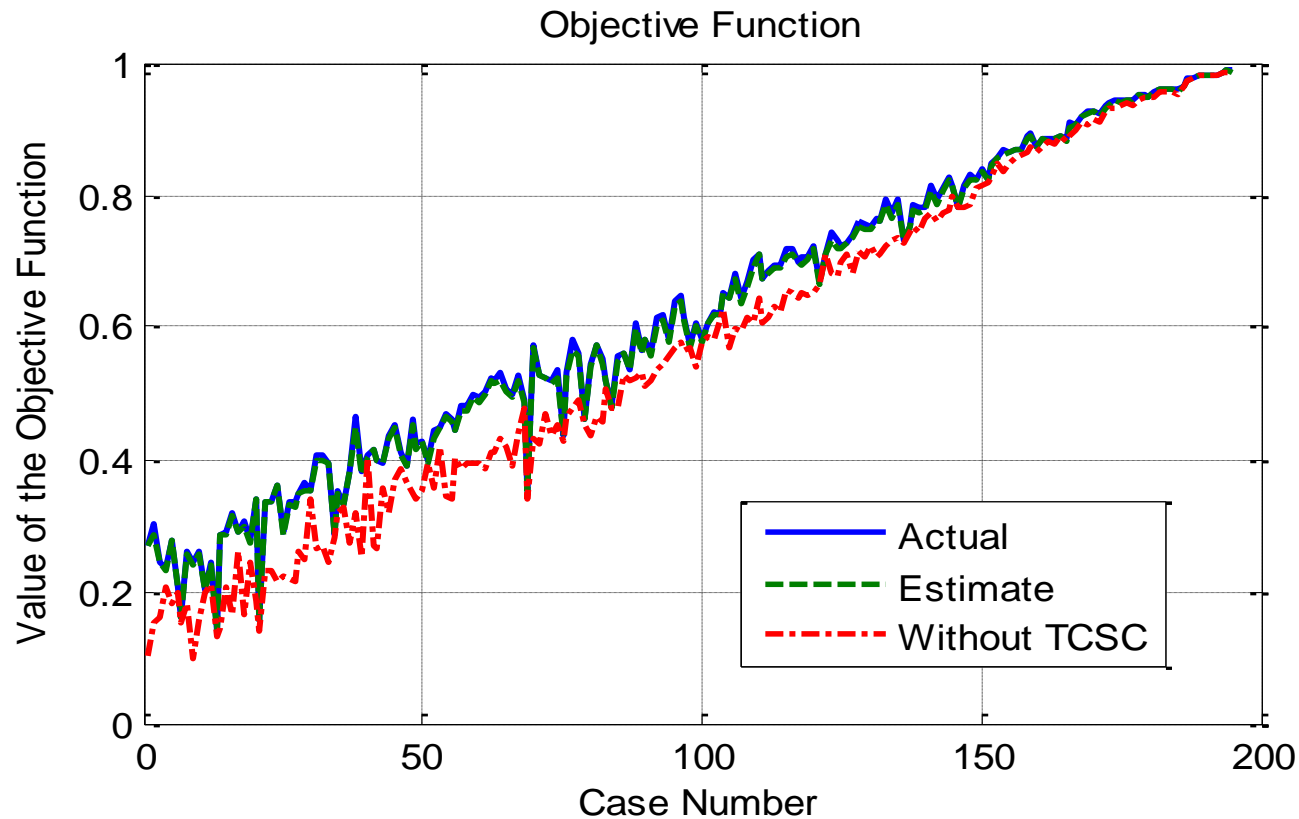
- IEEE 14-bus system
- Wind generator at Bus 2
- Load center on north side
- A single TCSC in Line 1-2
- 1000 different generation/load scenarios



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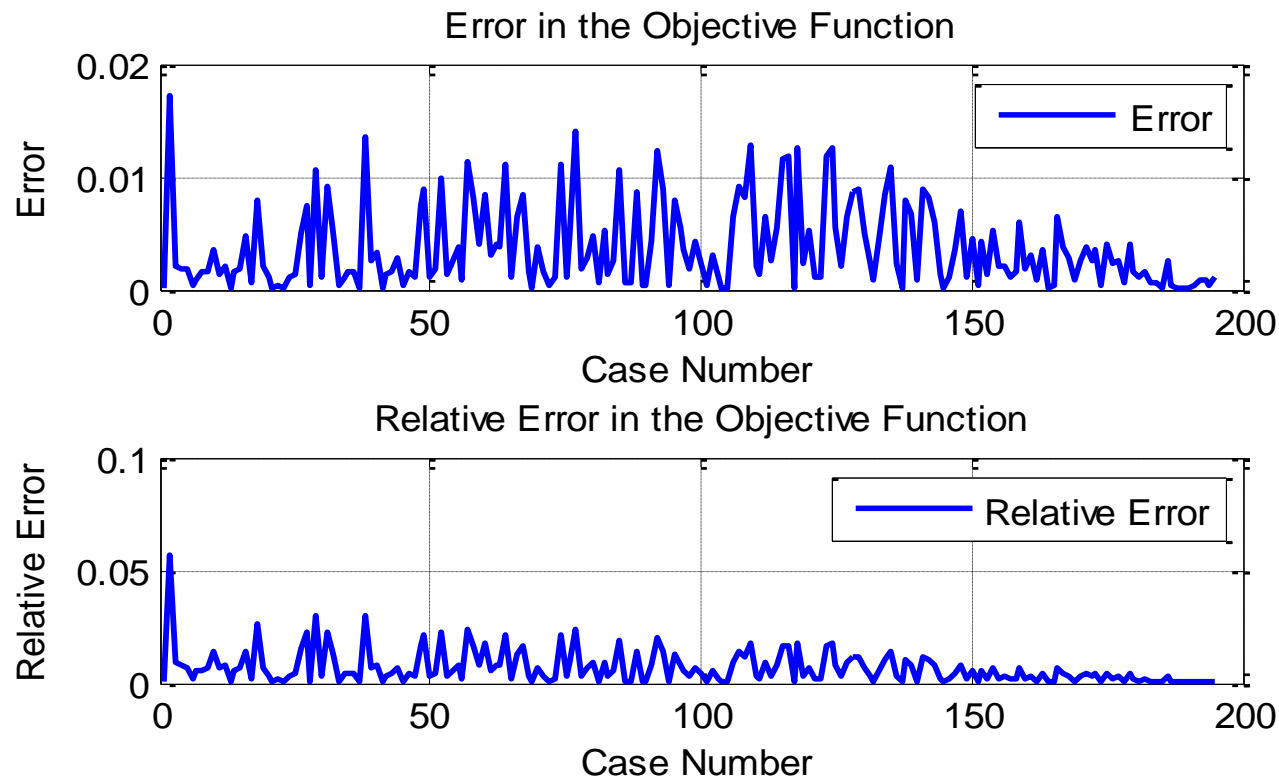
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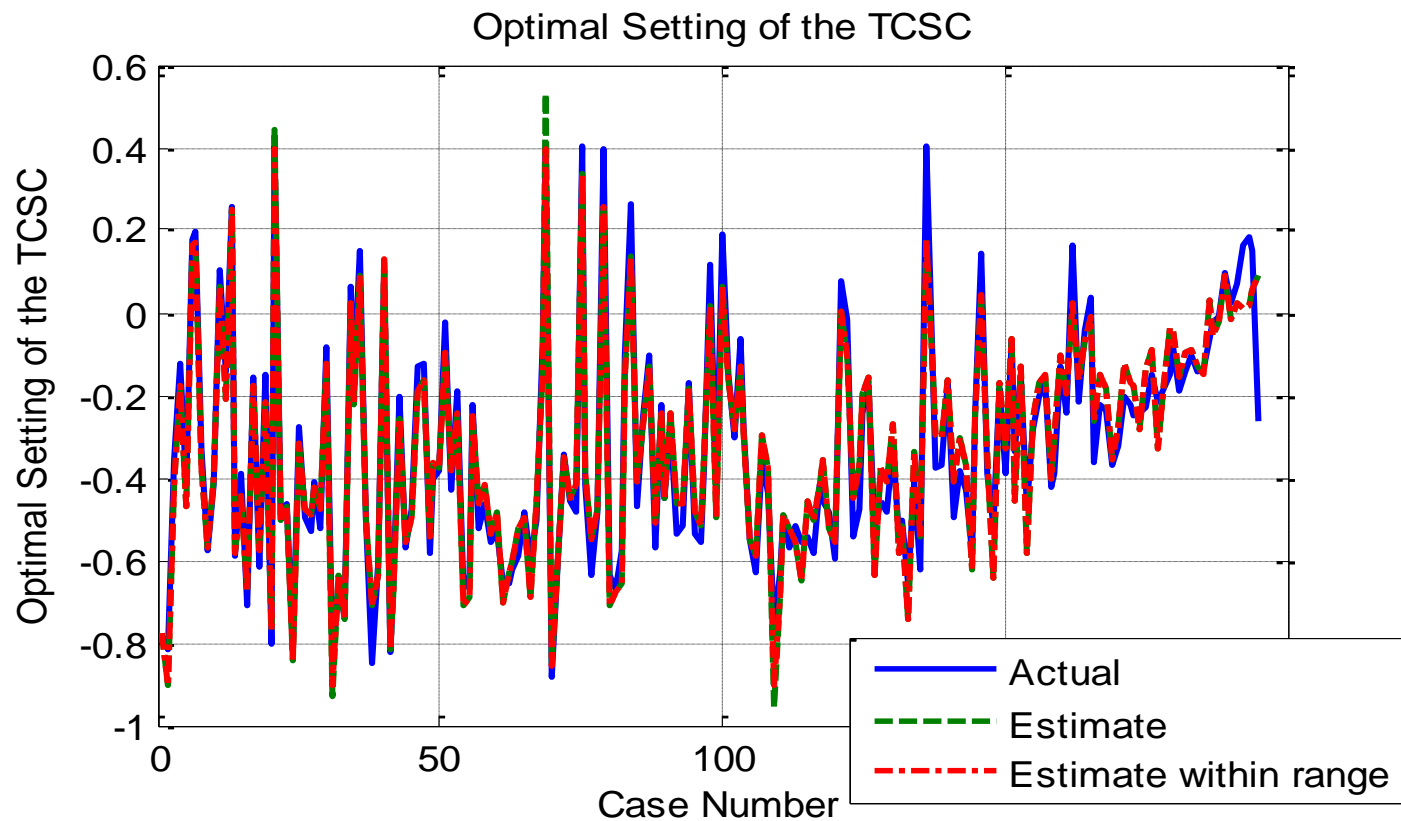
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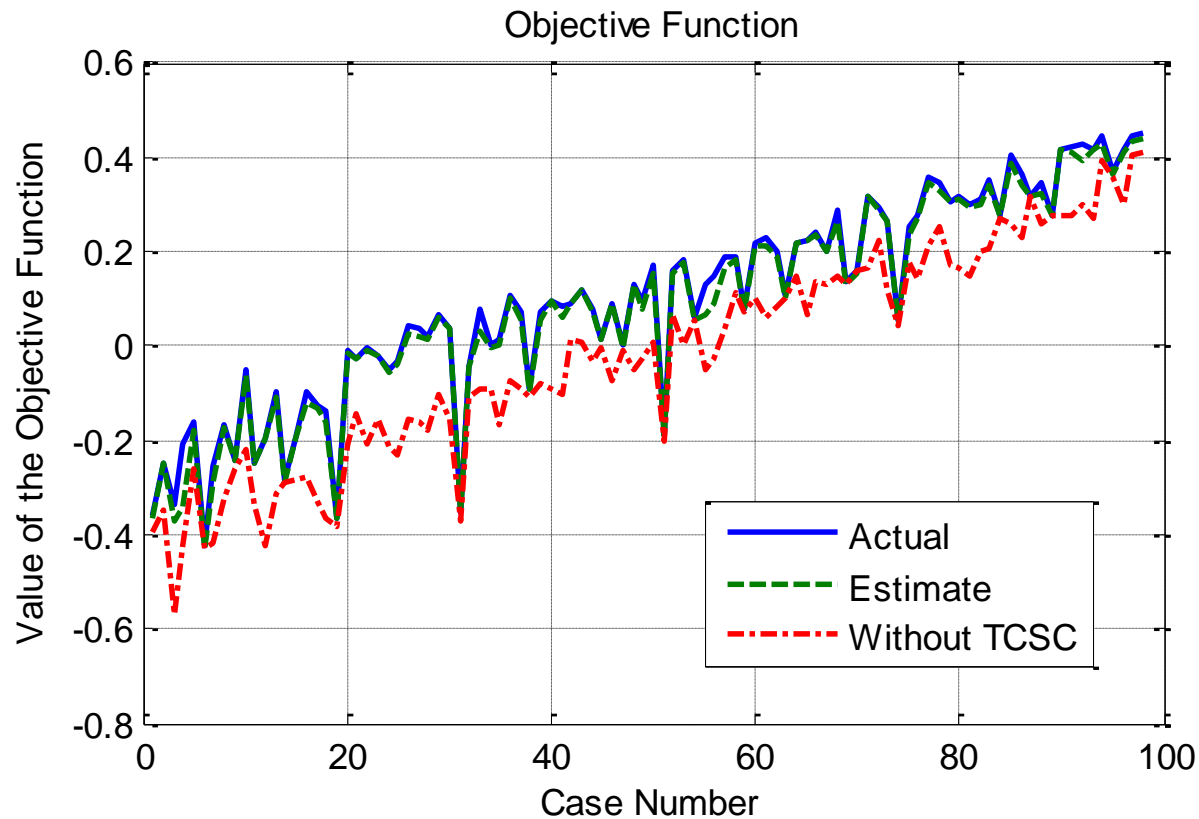
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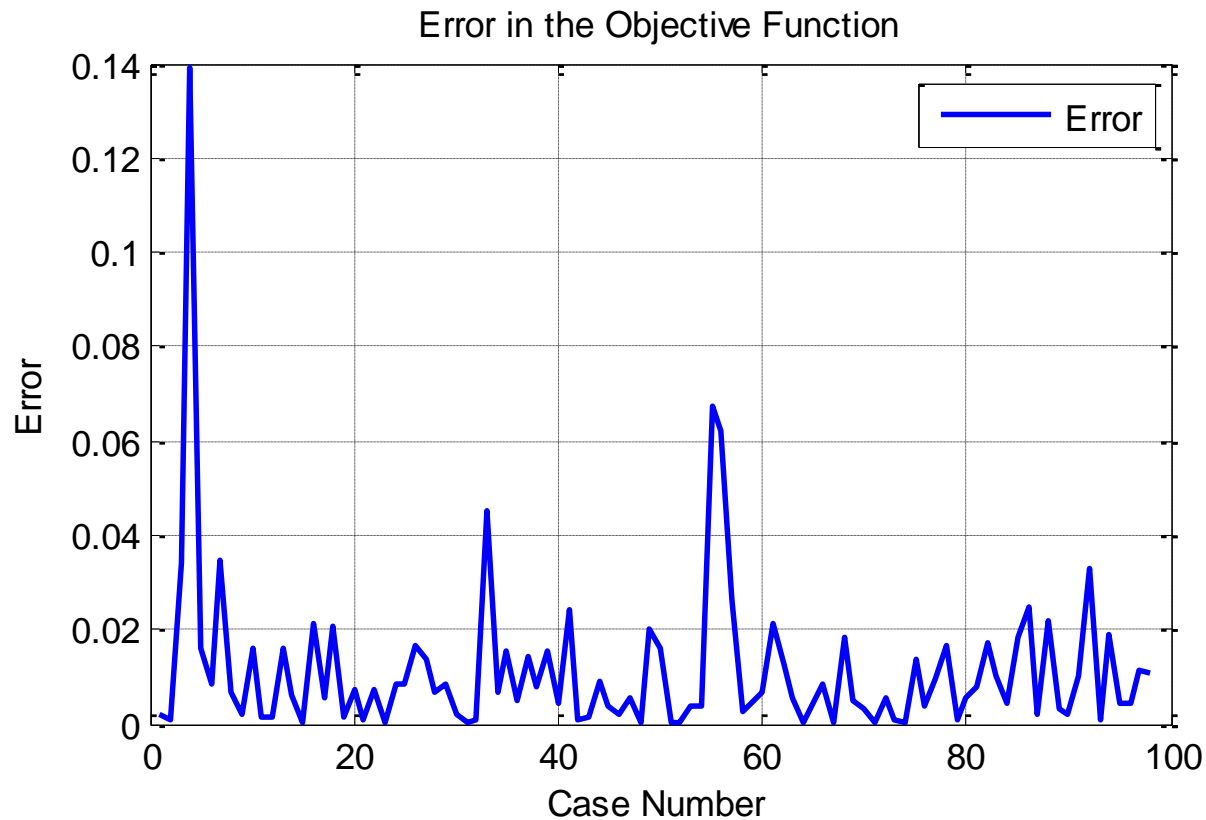
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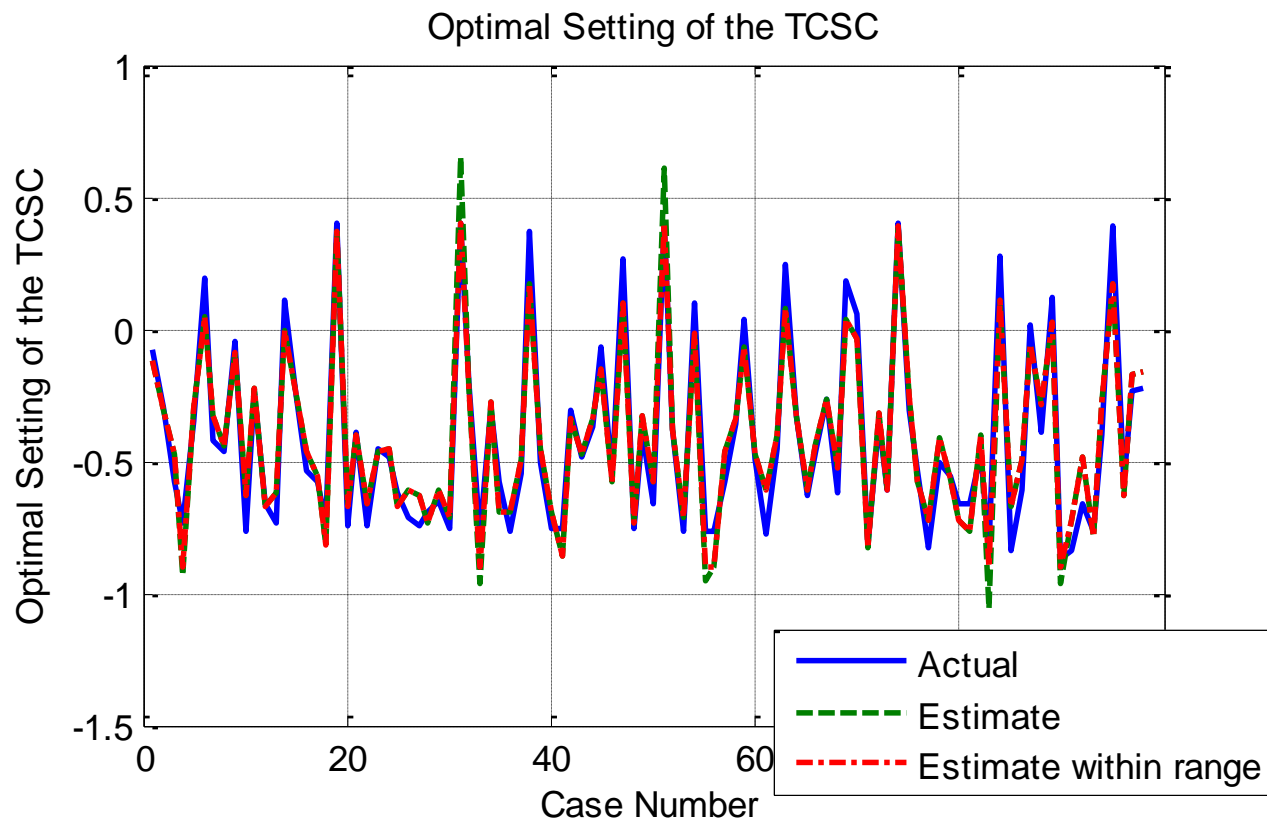
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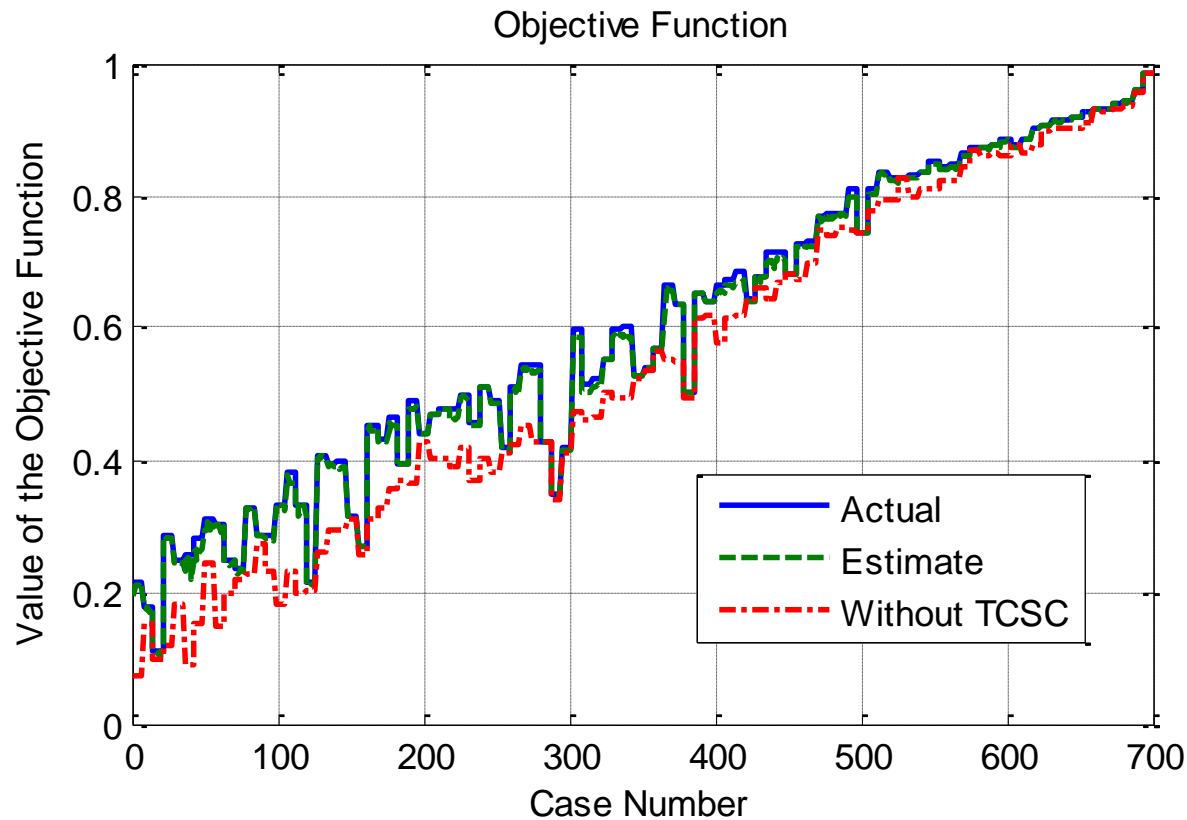
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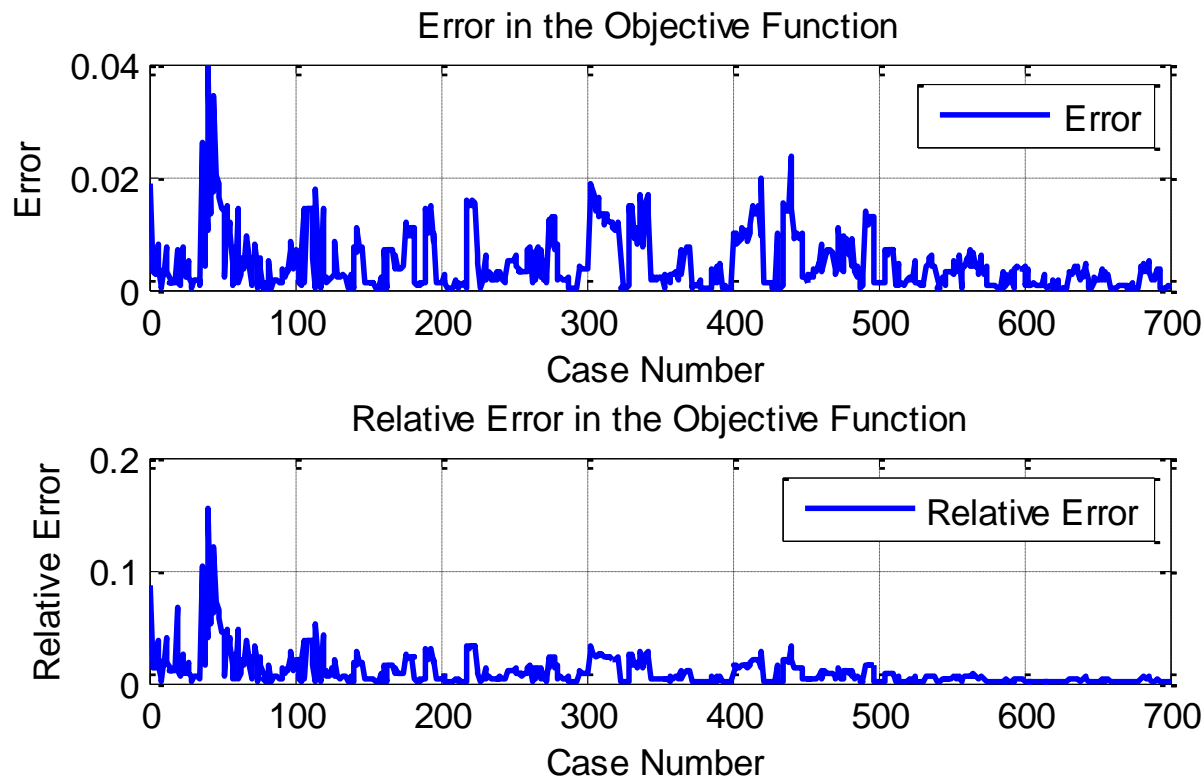
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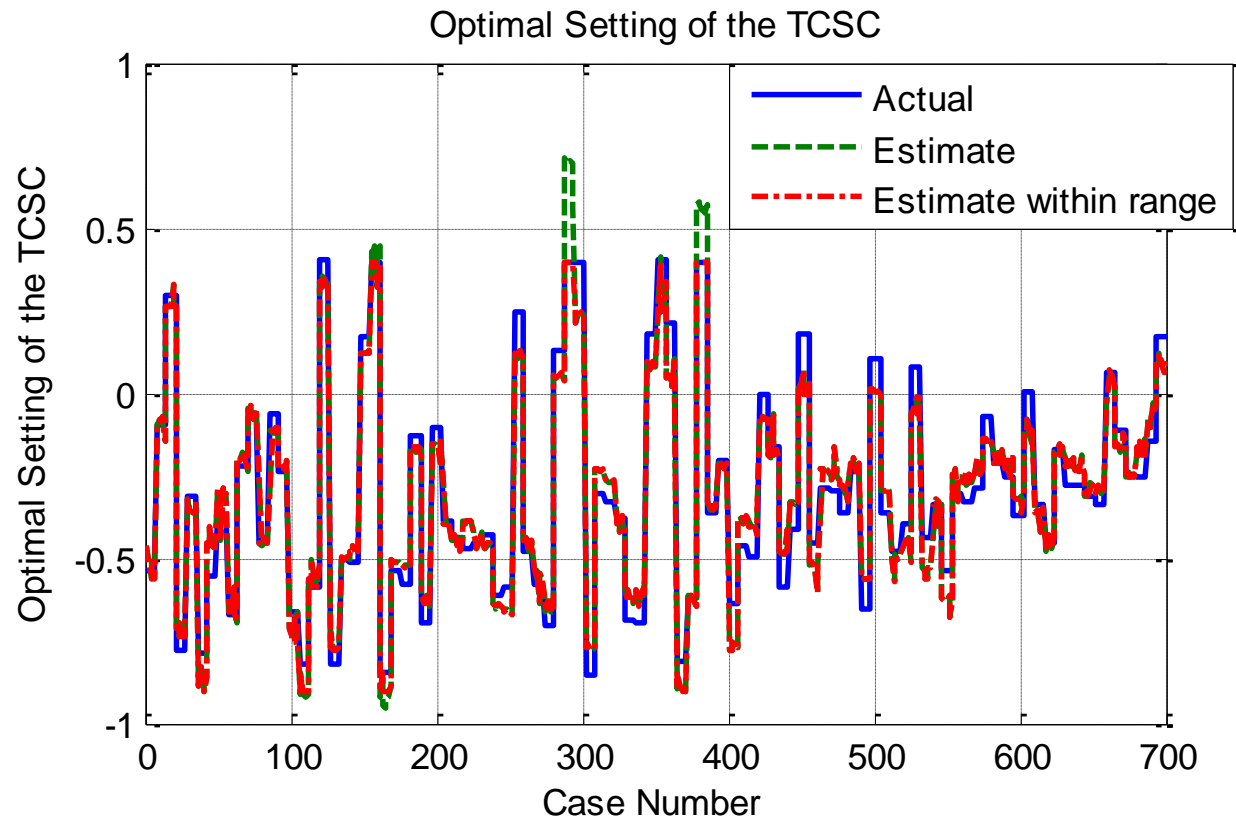
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# Conclusions

- Power flow control devices provide the opportunity
  - to improve the usage of the existing transmission system
  - to make the transmission system more flexible and adjust to the needs of flexible generation
- Usage of regression analysis might provide solution to determine optimal settings without solving OPF online

# Future Work

- Multiple FACTS devices
- Larger System
- Incorporation of Dynamic Line Rating
- Implications on planning
- N-1 security