Demand Side Management in the Smart Grid: an Efficiency and Fairness Tradeoff

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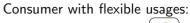
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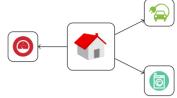
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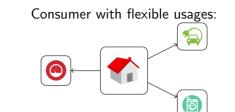


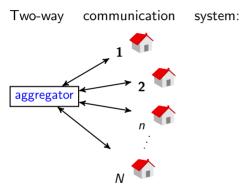






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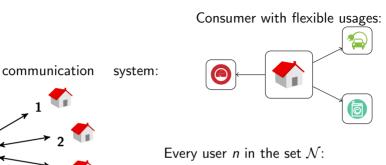
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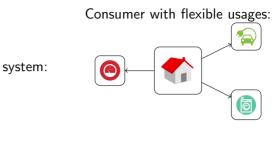
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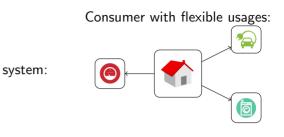
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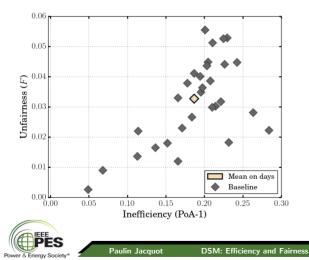
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- Fairness [Baharlouei et al., 2013]: Distance of DSM bills to the vector of "externalities" :

F := distance (externalities, bills)

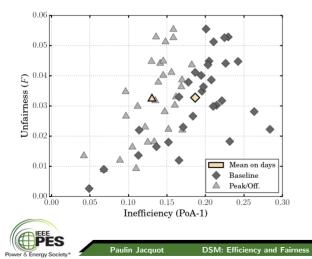
Externality(n) = (Optimal cost with n) - (Optimal cost without n).







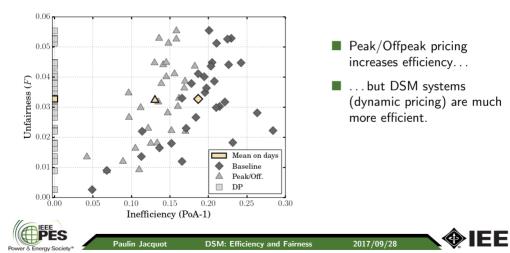


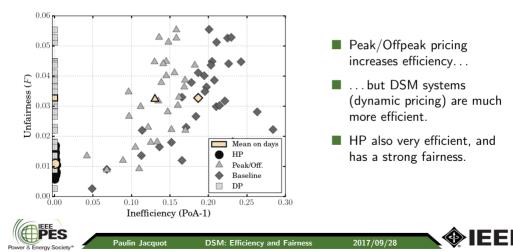


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In the complete model, each consumer n can have constraints in his consumption, and solves the optimization problem:

$$\begin{split} \min_{\ell_n} b_n &= \kappa \sum_t \left(\frac{C_t(\ell^t)}{\sum_m \ell_m^t} \cdot \ell_n^t \right) \\ &\sum_{t \in \sqcup} \ell_n^t = E_n, \\ &\underbrace{\ell_n^t} \leq \ell_n^t \leq \overline{\ell}_n^t, \ \forall t \in \mathcal{T} \ . \end{split}$$
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For any subset of consumers \mathcal{M} , consider the induced optimal total cost:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{M}}^* := \inf_{(\ell_m)_{m \in \mathcal{M}}} \sum_{h \in \mathcal{H}} C_h \left(\sum_{m \in \mathcal{M}} \ell_m^h \right) \;,$$

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and define the externality of player n as the cost induced on the system by n:

$$V_n := \mathcal{C}^*_{\mathcal{N}} - \mathcal{C}^*_{\mathcal{N} \setminus \{n\}}$$

Then, we define the fairness of the DSM billing mechanism as:

$$F := \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}_{\mathcal{G}}^{\mathsf{NE}}} \left[\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \left| \frac{V_n}{\sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}} V_m} - \frac{b_n(\mathbf{x})}{\sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}} b_m(\mathbf{x})} \right| \right].$$



Theorem (Uniqueness of a Nash Equilibrium with HP billing)

Let $c_h(\ell^h) := \frac{1}{\ell^h} C_h(\ell^h)$ be the per-unit price of electricity. If $c'_h \ge 0$, i.e. prices are increasing with global load, then a Nash Equilibirum exists. If, in addition:

$$\forall h, \frac{(\ell^h)^2}{\sum_n (\ell^h_n)^2} > \left(\frac{\ell^h c_h''(\ell^h)}{2c_h'(\ell^h)}\right)^2$$

then the Nash Equilibrium is unique.

Theorem (Bound on the Price of Anarchy with HP billing)

In the case of costs of the form $C_h(\ell^h) = a_2^h(\ell^h)^2 + a_1^h\ell^h$, the price of anarchy is bounded by:

$$\mathsf{PoA} \leq 1 + rac{3}{4} \sup_{h \in \mathcal{H}} rac{1}{1 + a_1^h/(a_2^h \overline{\ell}^h)}$$

