



## CASE STUDY ON AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH TO DISTRIBUTED ENERGY DEMAND DISPATCH

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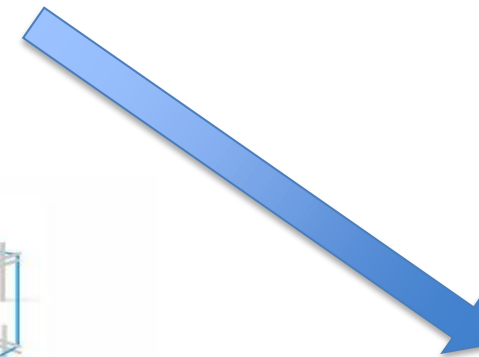
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Renewable Energy owners and developers  
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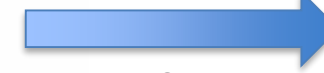
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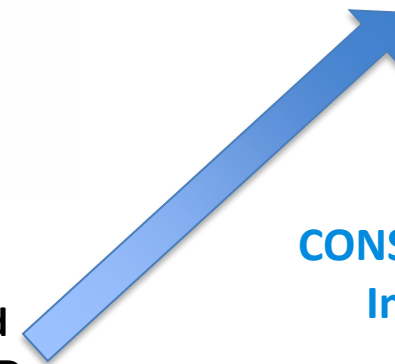
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## OUR VISION

Be the leader and innovator in the application of a holistic approach to study, design, and implement of an infrastructure that enables an integrated grid of the future across G, T&D



# OVERVIEW



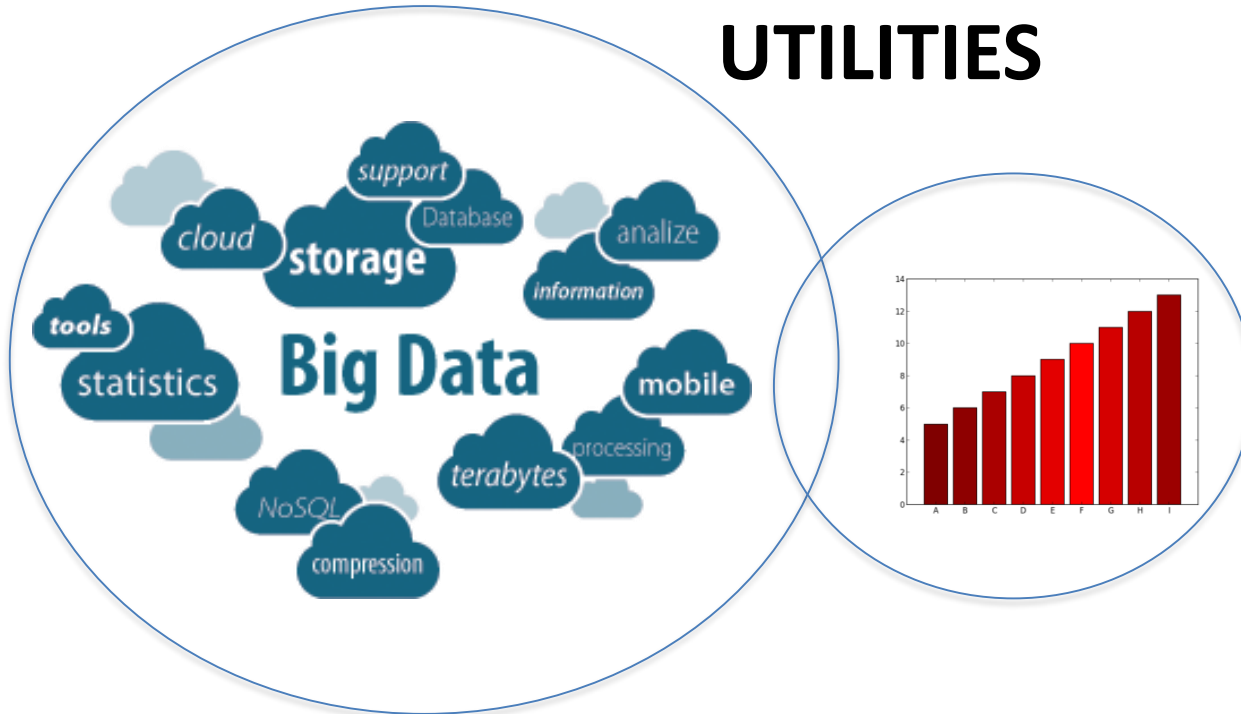
- **Why do the analysis?**
- **What is Demand Dispatch?**
- **How is it modeled?**
- **Optimization and Constraints**
- **Results & Conclusions**
- **What's Next**





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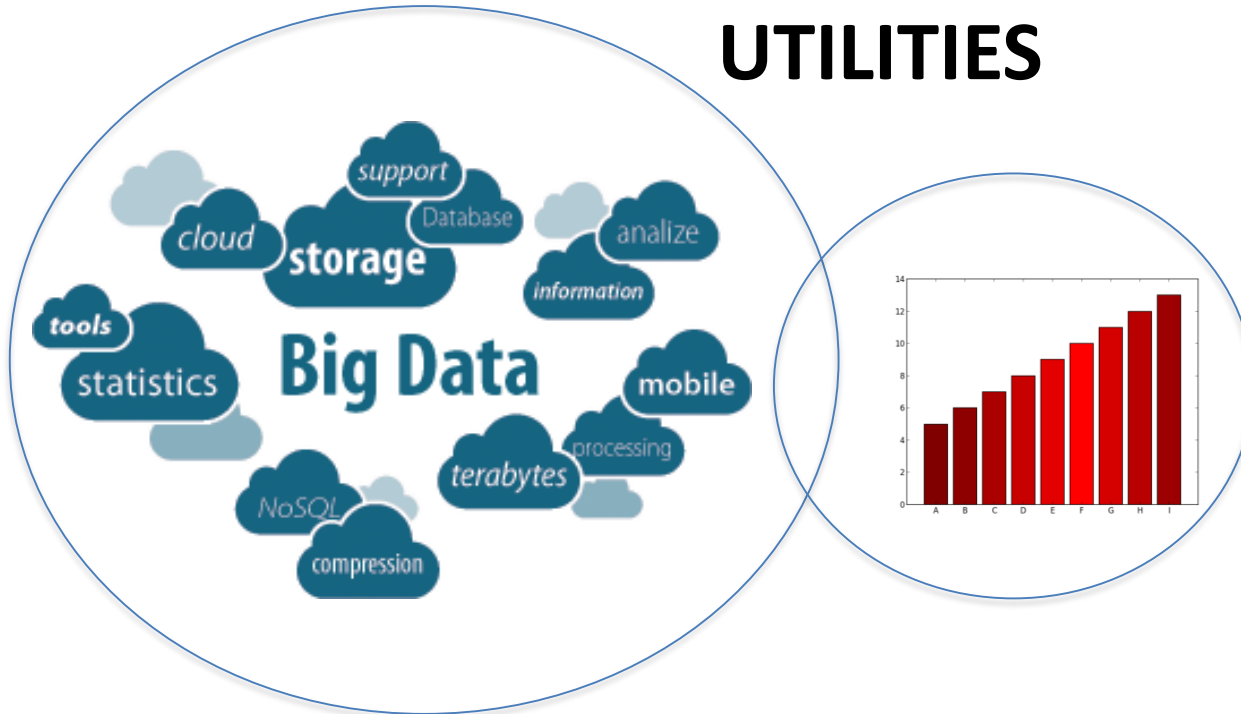
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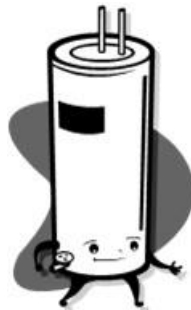
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## ALTERNATIVE APPROACH TO DEMAND



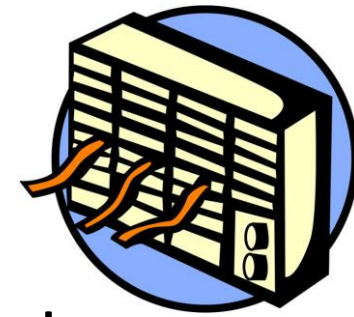
***Demand Dispatch is an emerging science for controlling flexible loads to provide grid services. With the proper design, a distributed control approach can improve the utilization of the power grid while satisfying consumer preferences. This study explains how a Demand Dispatch analysis is conducted and provides results from simulations based on a physical system.***



### LOCALIZED DEMAND RESPONSE

Customers set the comfort level

Utility shapes demand to arrive at that comfort level



- Demand dispatch is built around the idea that many types of loads can be flexible in their power consumption while delivering the same quality of service to the consumer
- For example, consumers care about their water temperature, not instantaneous power consumption
- Maintaining water temperature within a desired range can be accomplished using many different power consumption trajectories



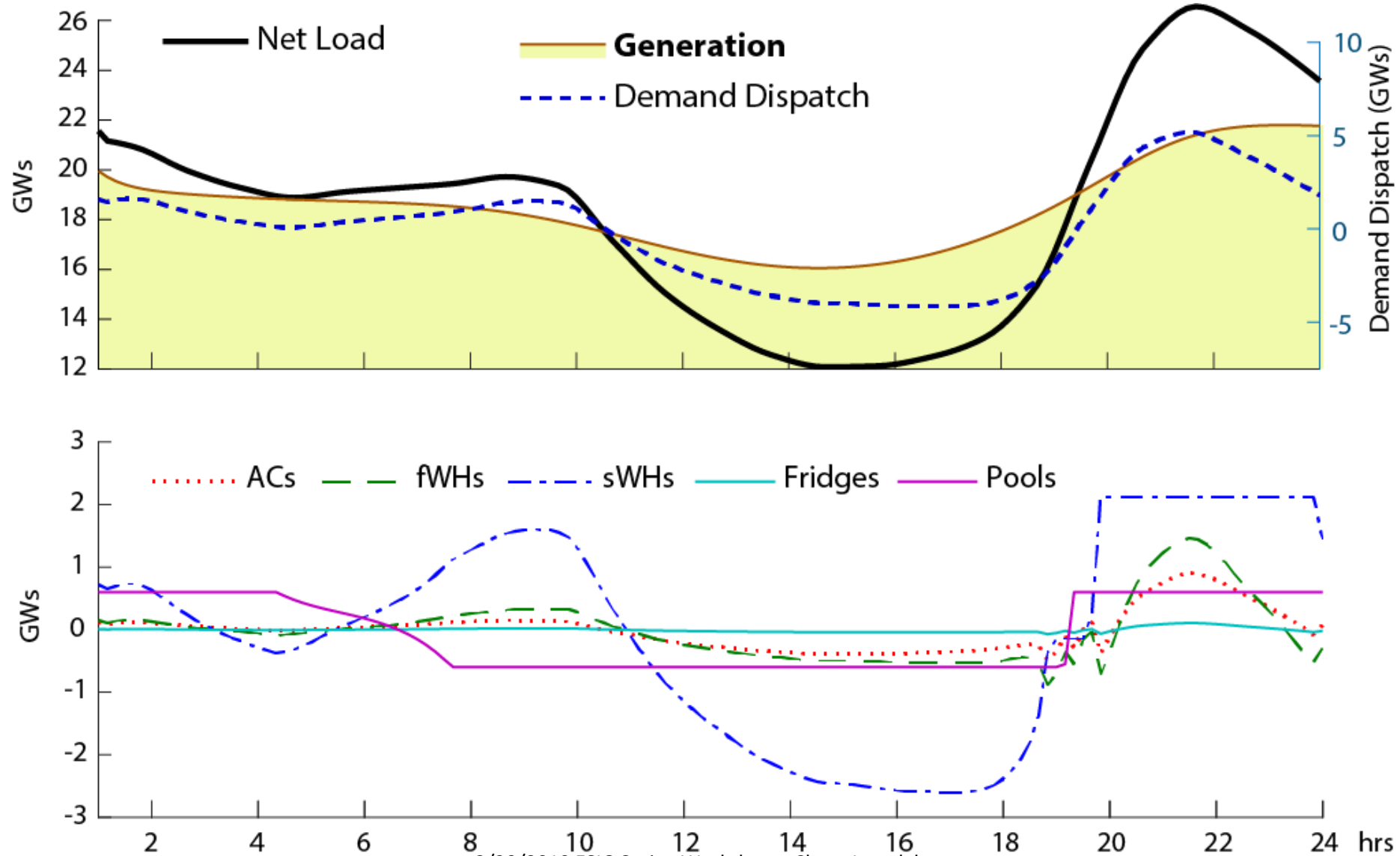
# COLLABORATORS







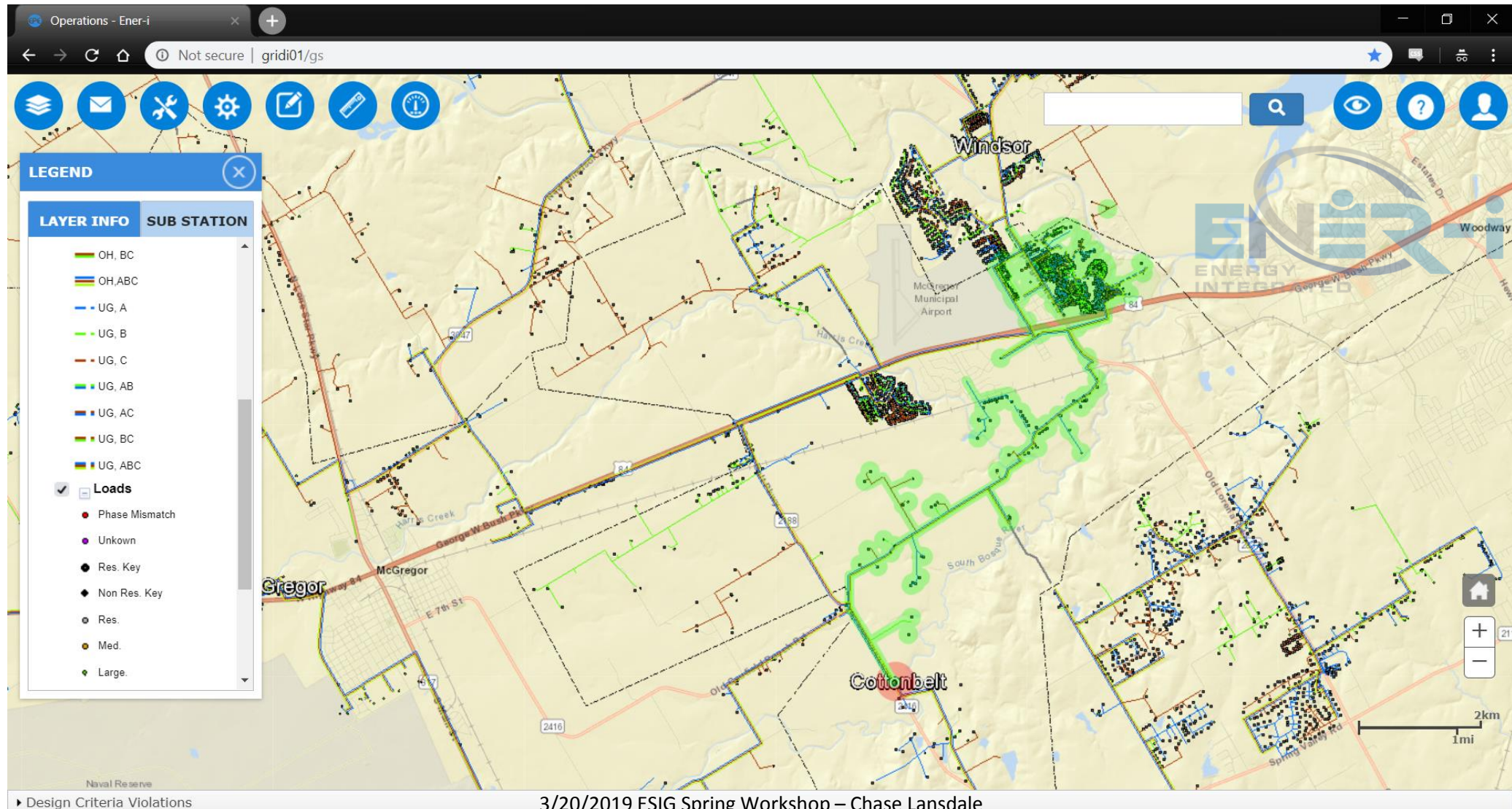
# APPLIED THEORY: CAISO MODEL





# MODELING: PARTICIPANT SELECTION

## Participant Selection [CIS + GIS + AMR]



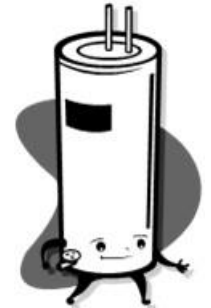
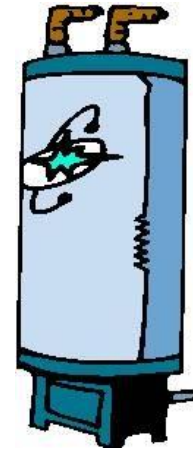


## RESIDENTIAL APPLIANCES



**Space Heaters**

**Fast & Slow Water Heaters**



**Refrigerators**



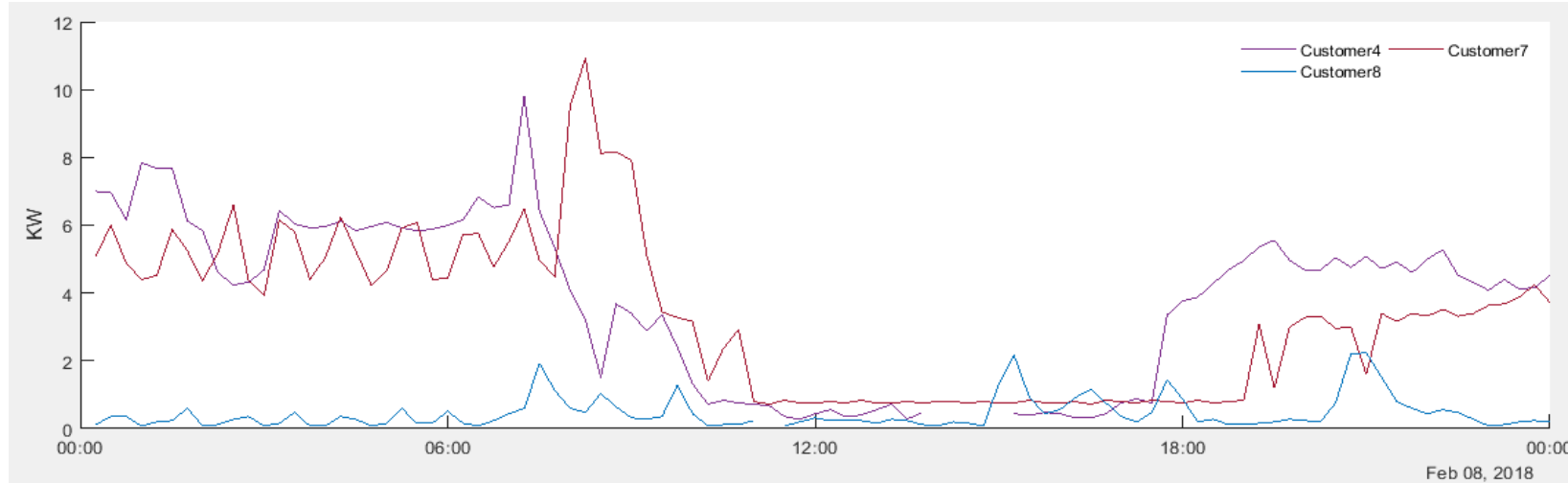
**Pool Pumps**



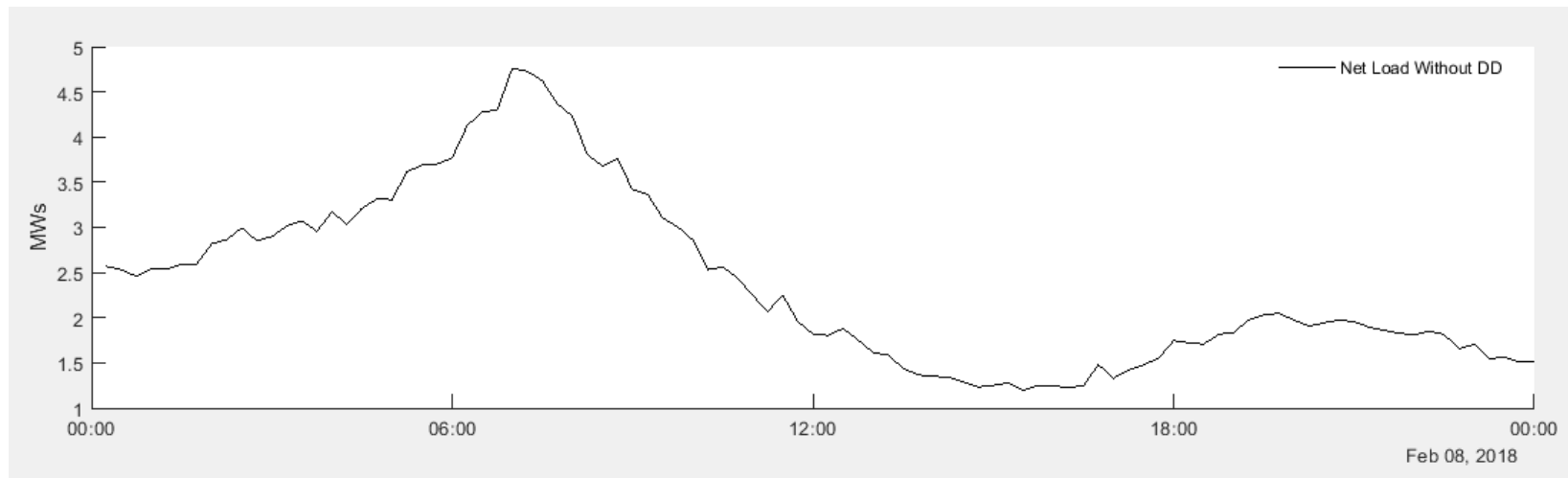


# MODELING: LOAD DATA

## Member Usage Data [AMR / AMI]



## Aggregate System Data [SCADA]





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  - **Same net daily energy consumption**

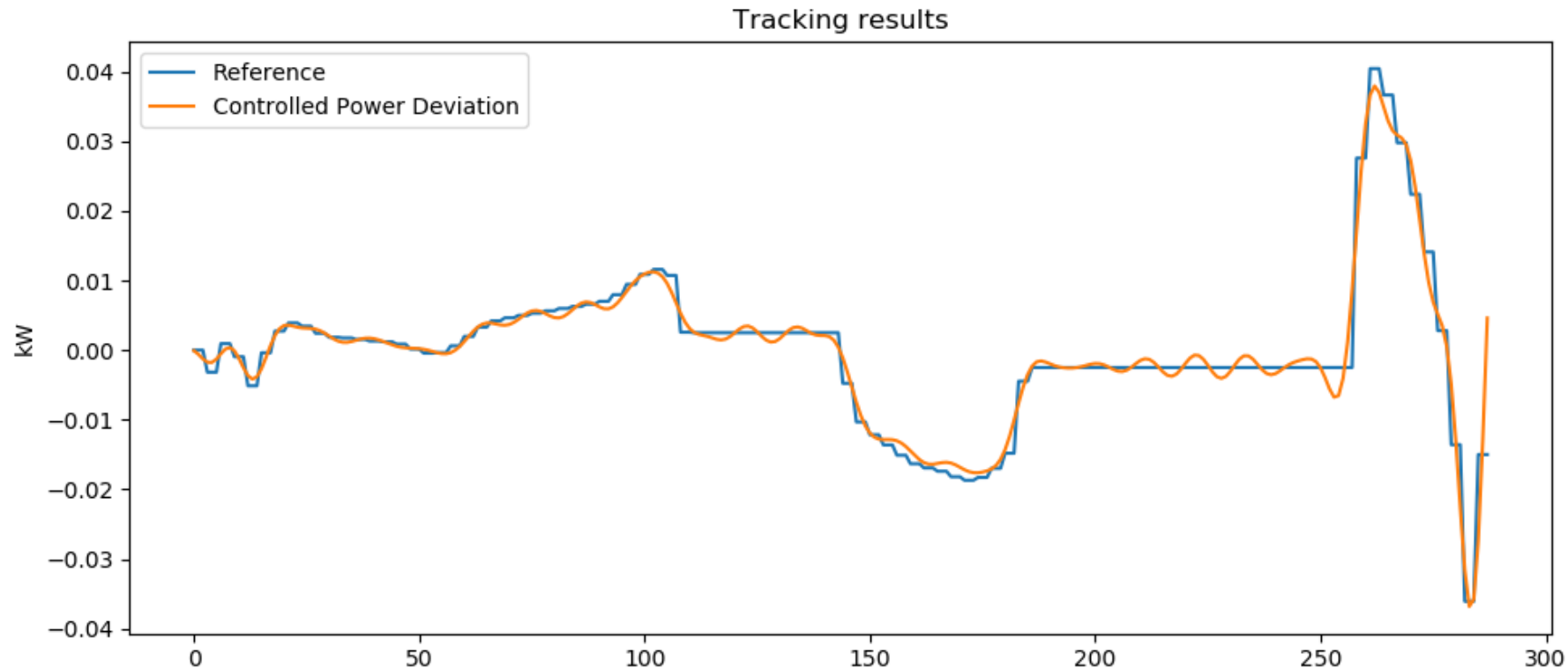
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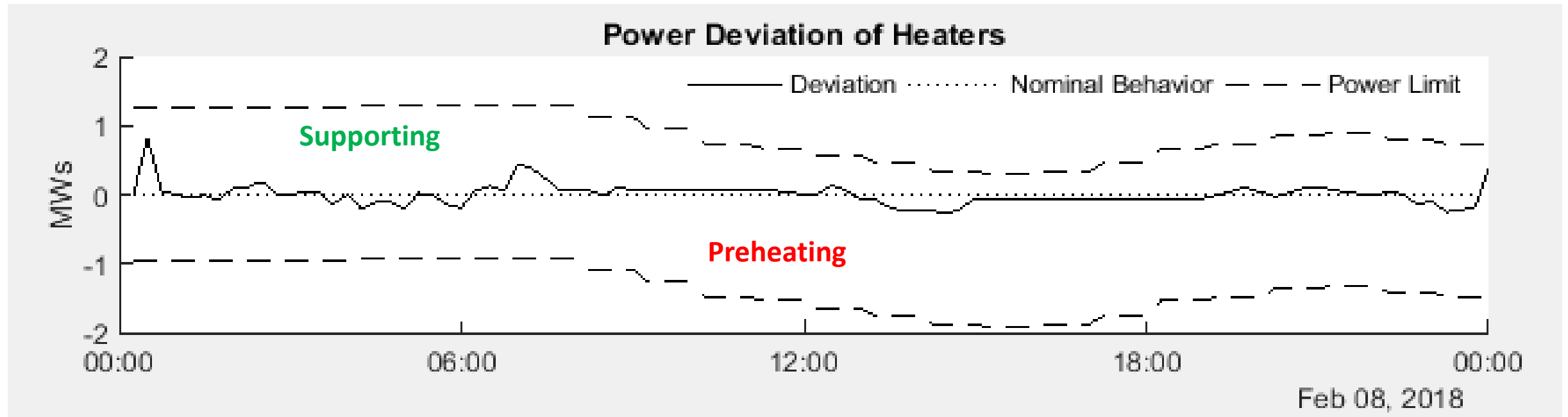
Stochastic, distributed control techniques enable tracking of the desired power deviation

- Power deviation is computed centrally, but decisions are made locally
  - Local control reduces computation and communication requirements
  - Local control maintains privacy and guarantees QoS





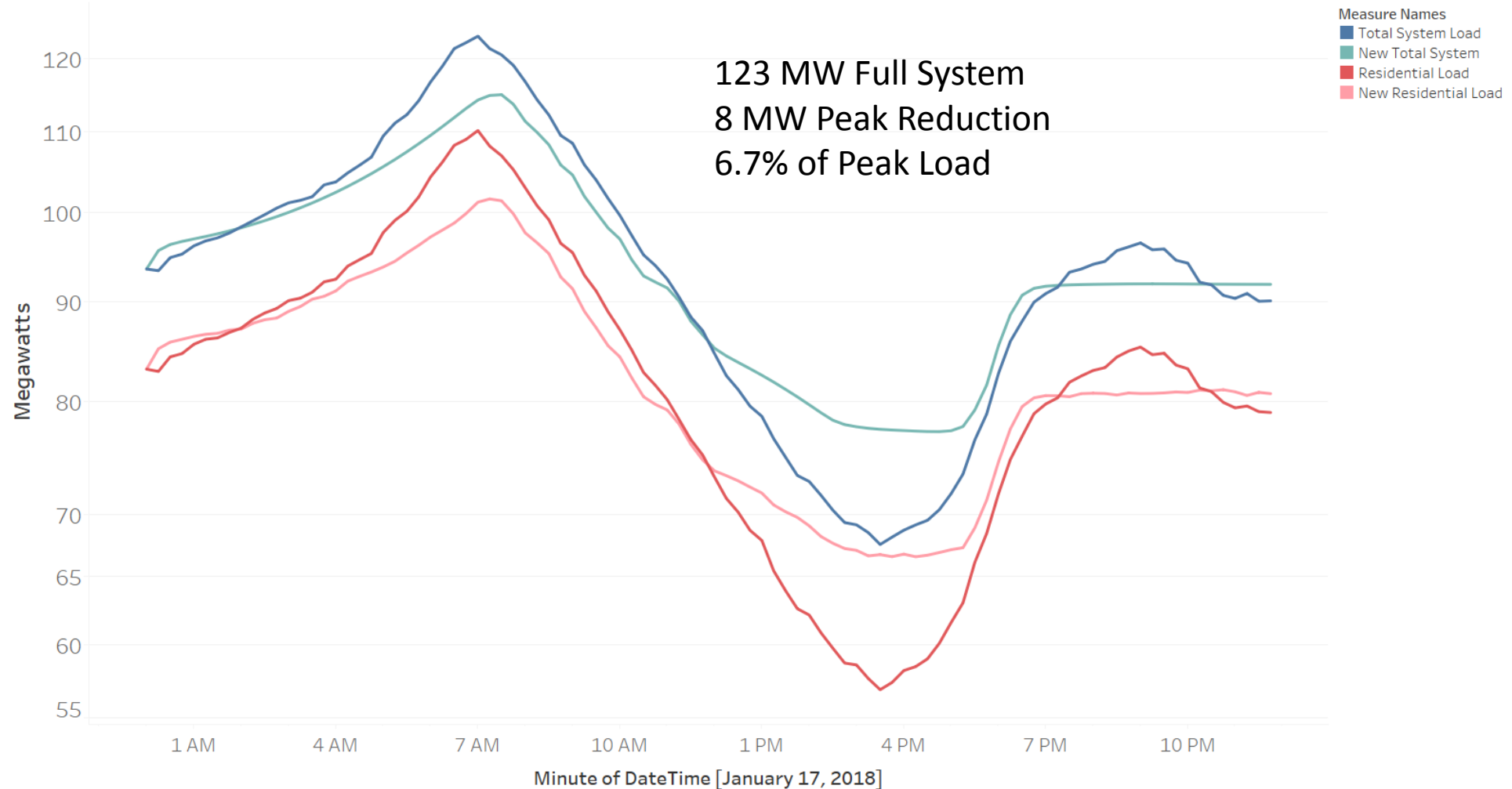
# OPTIMIZATION: SIMULATED BEHAVIOR





# RESULTS: LOAD SHAPING

TimeSeries



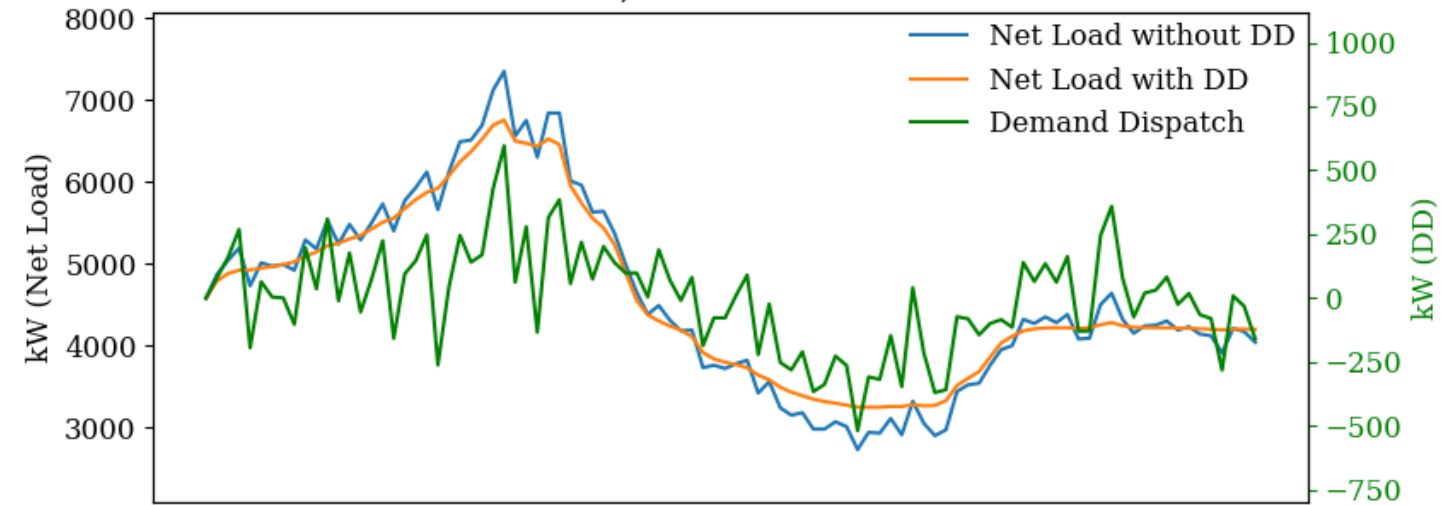
The trends of Total System Load, New Total System, Residential Load and New Residential Load for DateTime Minute. Color shows details about Total System Load, New Total System, Residential Load and New Residential Load.



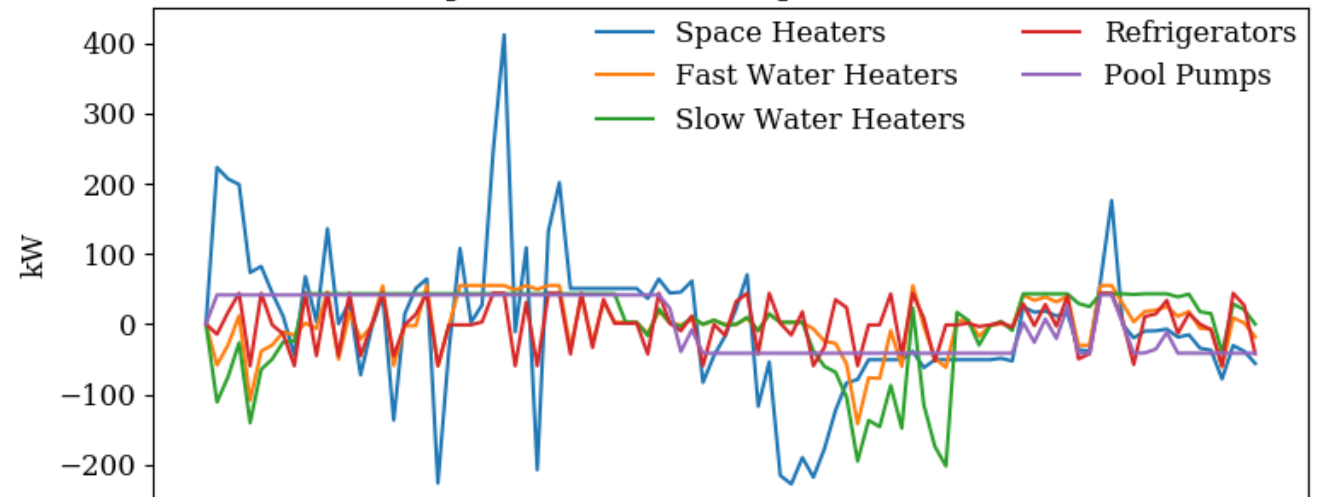
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Net Load, with and without DD



Optimal Demand Dispatch Schedule



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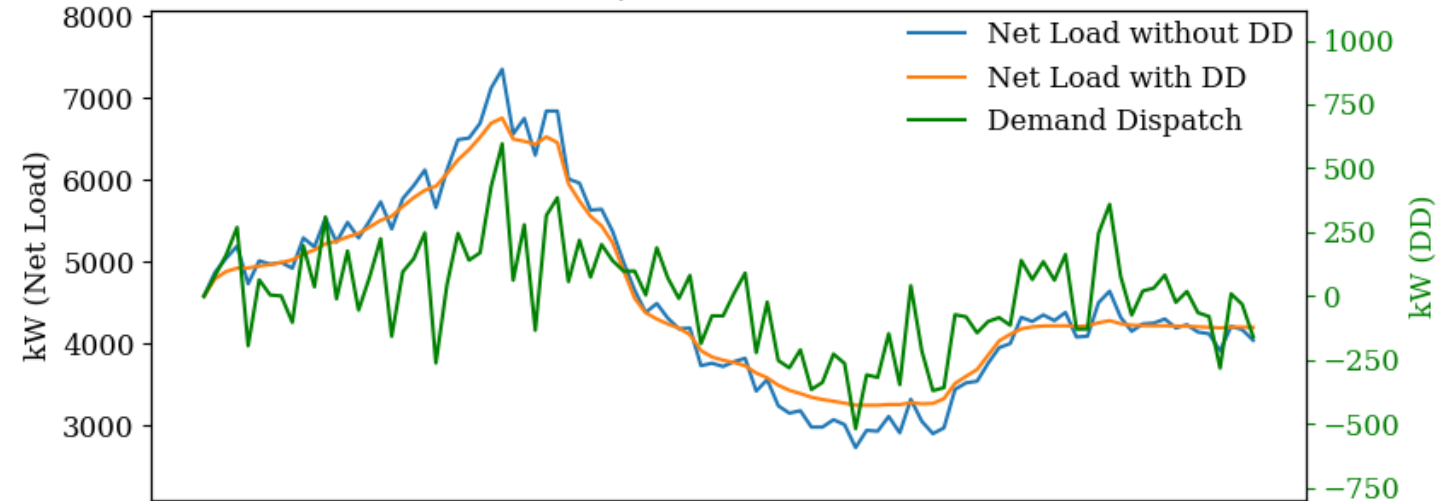
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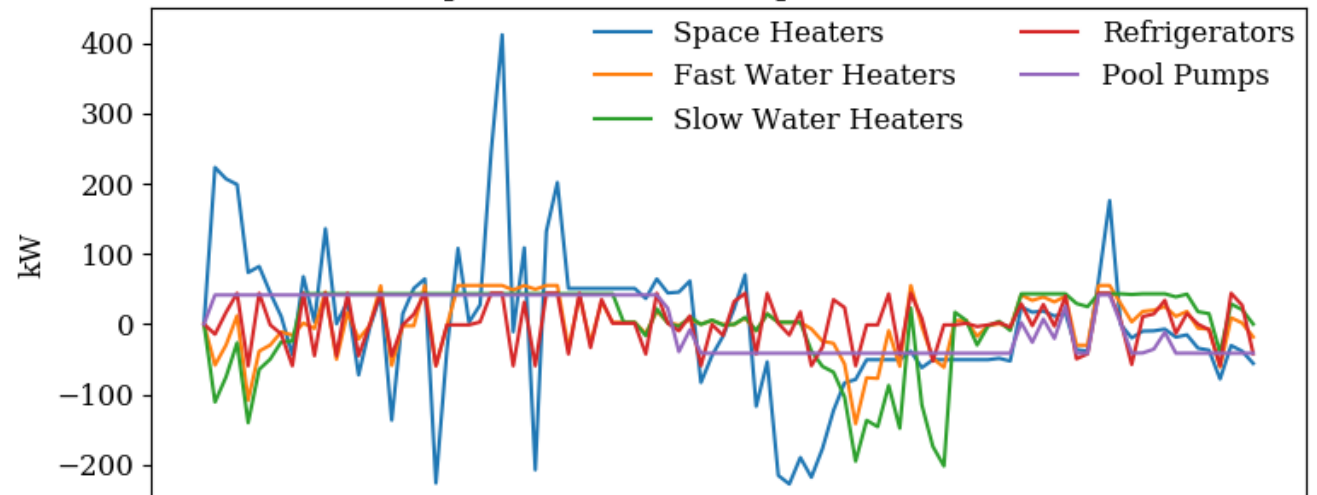
- 8% reduction in peak kW
- Significantly lower ramp rates
- Significantly smoother net load trajectory

10-year Economic Analysis	
1 Feeder with 1,400 participating appliances	
Peak charge savings	\$448,540
Line loss savings	\$82,641
CapEx Deferral savings	N/A
Cost of implementing DD	\$104,850
Net savings	\$426,331

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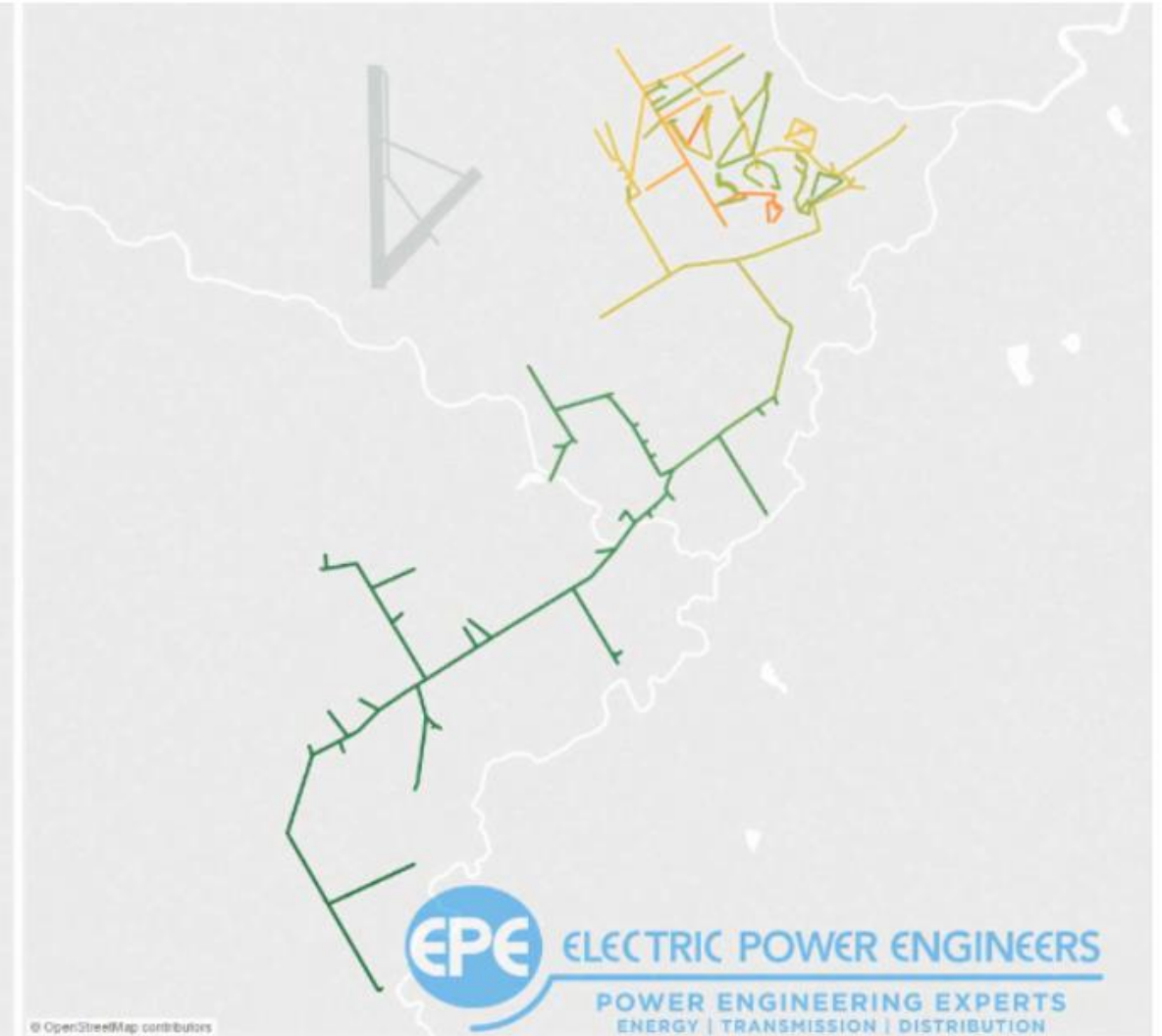


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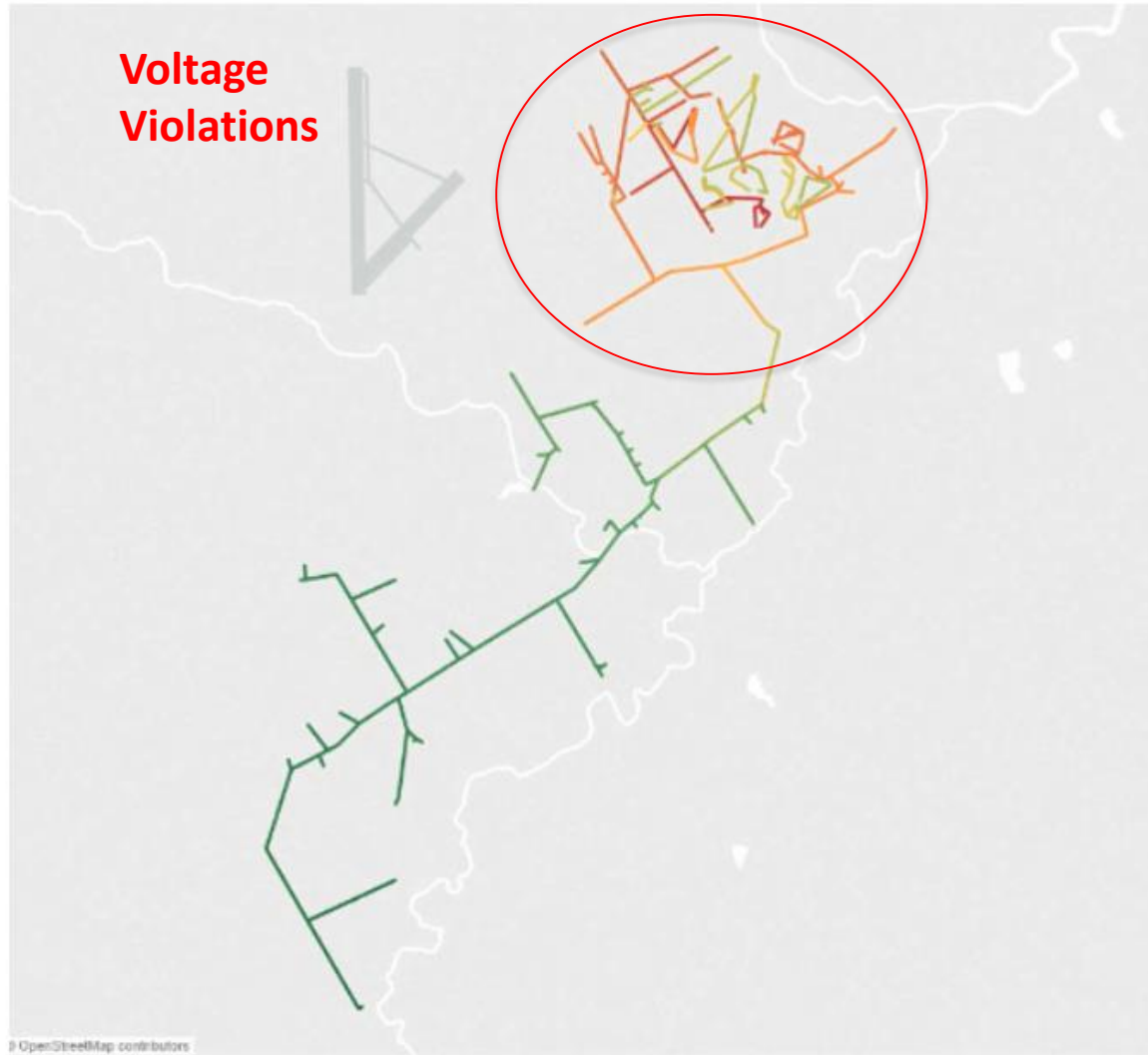
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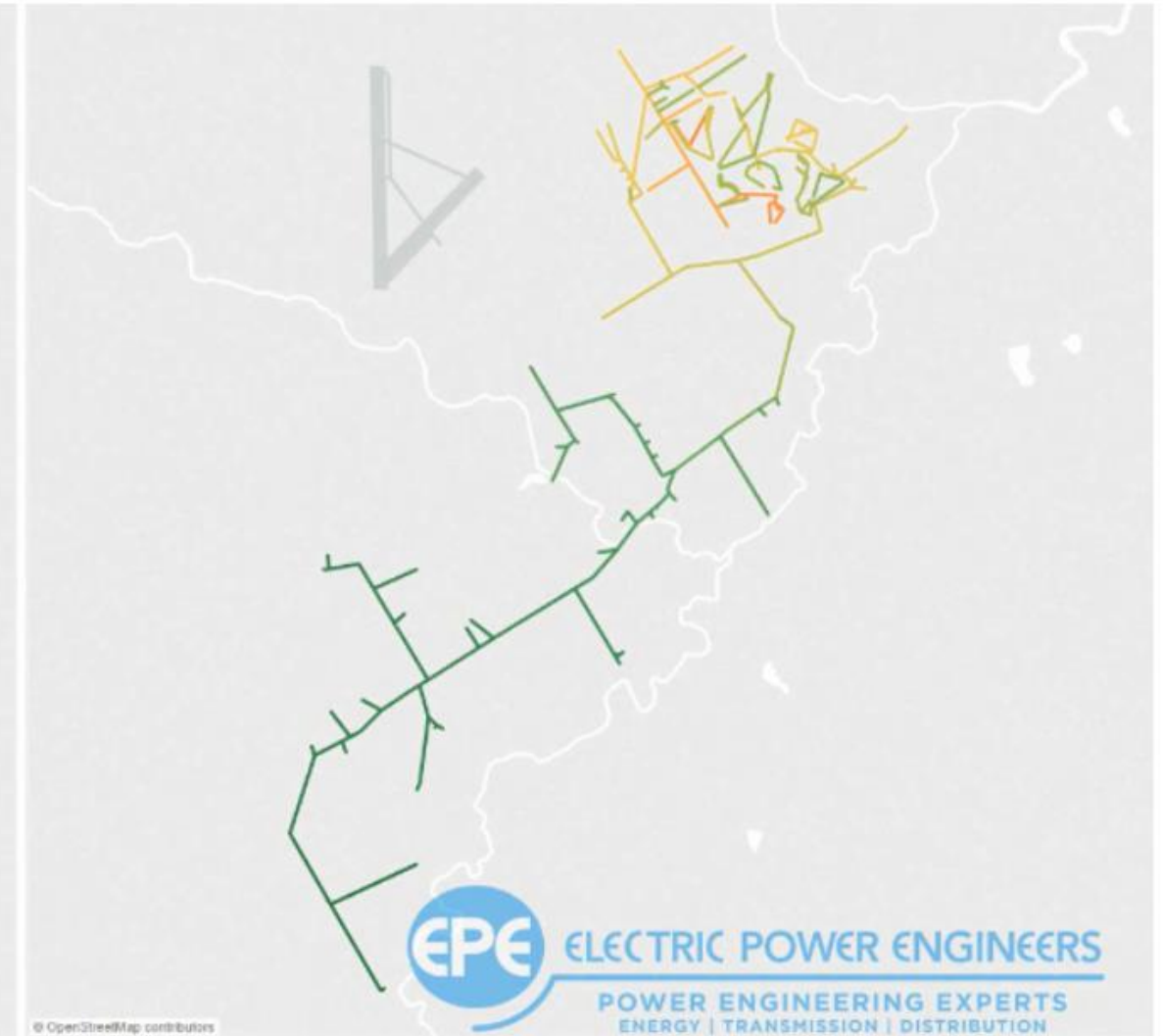


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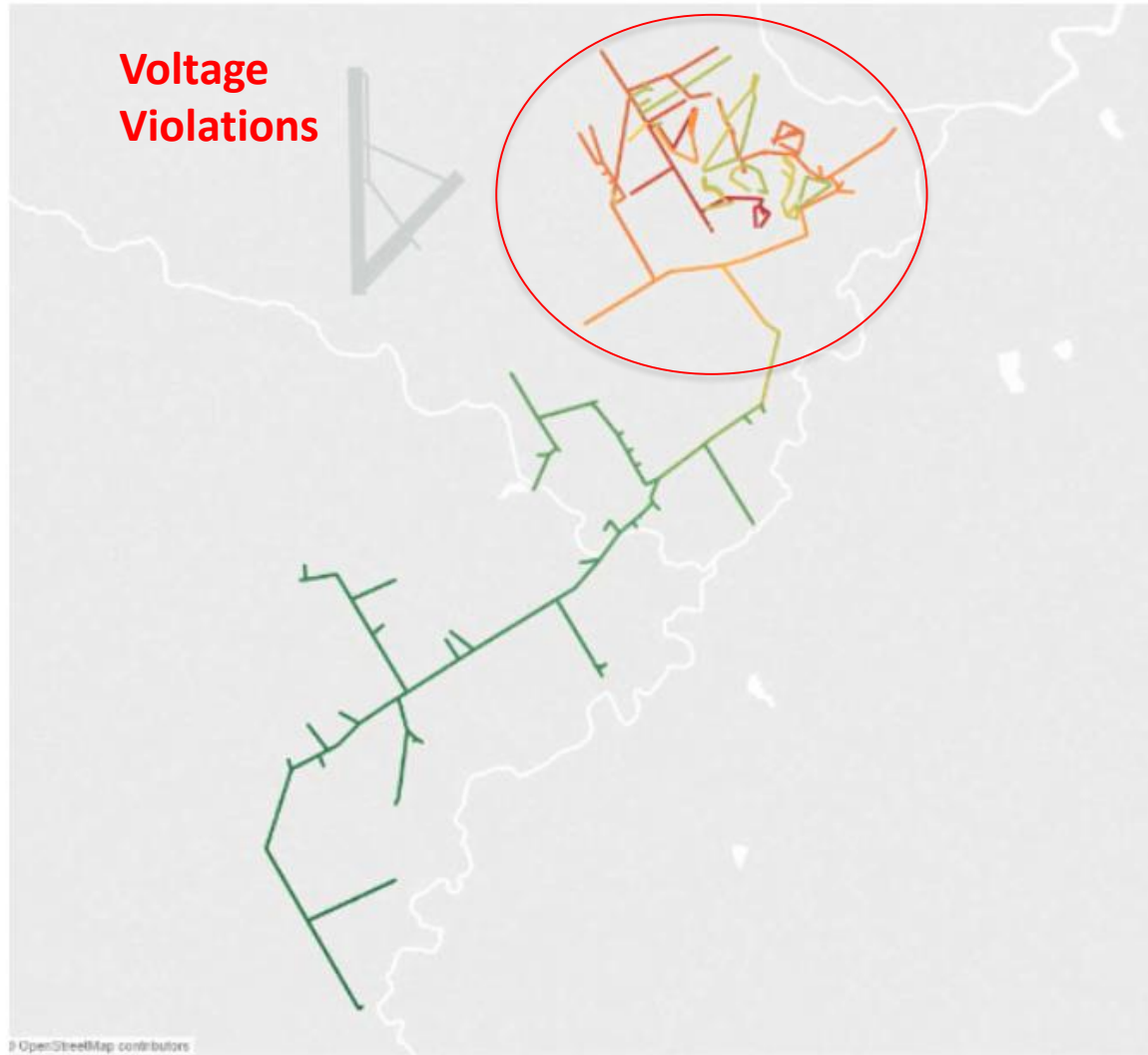
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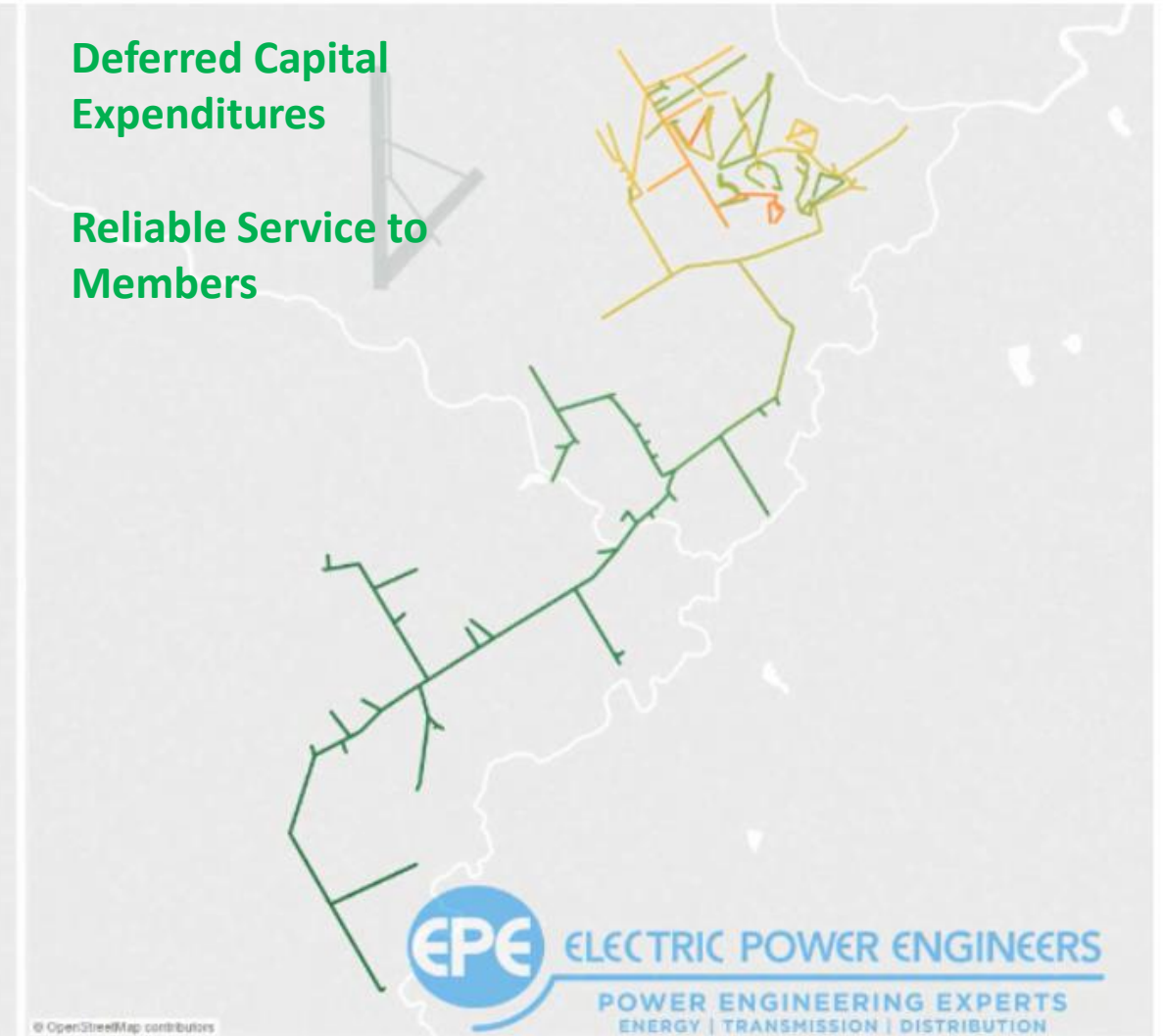


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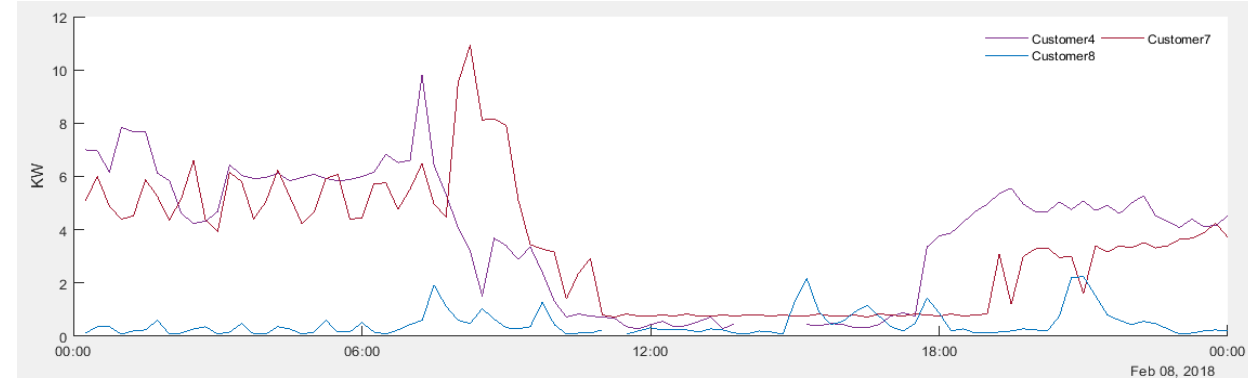


### Load Disaggregation

- Determine what appliances are being used and their traditional behavior

### Localized Control Modeling

- Model each load's controller individually to better simulate real-world application



### Field Testing + Pilot Project

- Implement controllers on real life systems
- Test different control signals and analyze load response in relation to traditional behavior







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