

# Stochastic modeling of flexibility needs and use of SERVM model for analysis



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## Overview of presentation

- Need for stochastic modeling versus deterministic modeling
- Nature of problem uncertainty and variability
- Use of SERVM to assess uncertainty and variability, as well as test possible remedies





## Deterministic/Stochastic analysis - comparison

#### **Deterministic Analysis**

- Far less data intensive
- Able to constrain model more easily for real world dispatch
- Able to accurately illustrate dispatch with incredible granularity as to timeframe and location – better at power flow modeling for example
- Existing metrics and much easier to compare with other studies
- Drawback prone to overweight "artificial" dispatch scenario

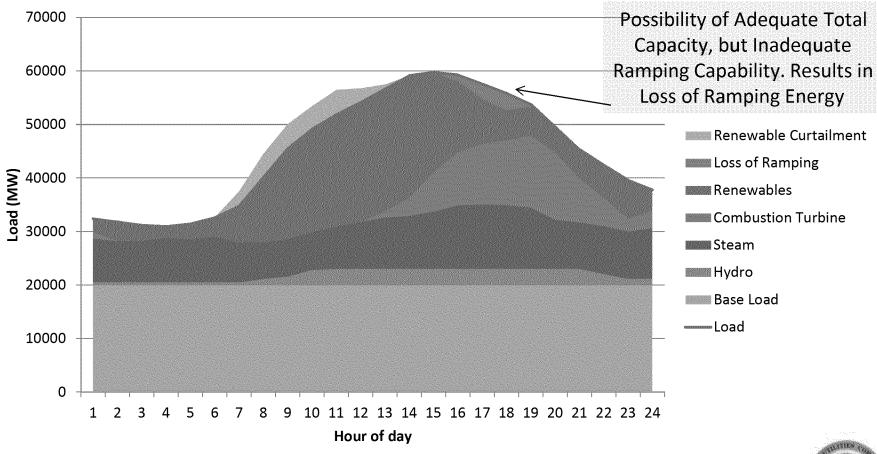
#### **Stochastic Analysis**

- Much more data intensive
- Analyzes range of inputs and range of results – does not overweight one pretreated scenario of load and resource dispatch
- Difficult to compare lack of existing metrics or standards
- Ability to model a much broader range of variability in inputs and outcomes with iterative Monte Carlo simulation





## Nature of problem – duck chart in reverse



Source – presentation made by Astrape consulting to CPUC staff





# Overview – key points of proposal

- Analysis is iterative start with hourly Monte Carlo simulation
  - Flexibility analysis is add-on to more traditional ELCC/LOLE analysis
- Optimize base case to calibrate at desired reliability level currently California has large reserve margin, likely need to remove capacity to ratchet down to 1 in 10
- Once base case is calibrated, engage "flexibility logic".
- Two main elements of flexibility issues
  - Dispatch UNCERTAINTY
  - Inherent load/wind/solar/etc. VARIABILITY
  - Both elements force dispatchers to rely on fast ramping or operationally flexible resources





## **Iterative Analysis**

#### **Start with LTPP Base Case**

- 1. Fill out base case for test year (i.e. 2024)
- 2. Standard LOLE/ELCC analysis hourly increments 8760 time steps per year
- 3. Monte Carlo simulation to assess impact of variability in key inputs
- 4. Optimize reliability to 1 in 10 reliability metric may result in adding capacity to increase reliability or remove capacity to decrease reliability
- 5. Chart outage events –when they happen, how long are they expected to last, what is the magnitude of outages?

#### **Add Flexibility Analysis**

- 1. Start with 1 in 10 optimized 2024 base case
- 2. Gather data on uncertainty
- Enable unit constraint and intra-hour logic in model – uncertainty and variability
- 4. Measure increase in unreliability longer outage events, more frequent outage events, greater unserved energy
- Result is increase in need for flexibility for dispatch uncertainty as well as load/resource variability
- More detail on model will be forthcoming





## Next Steps – where do we go from here?

#### **Procedural**

- Issue formal proposal into LTP proceeding describing approach
- Publish data sets, assumptions document
- Publish results to stakeholders, hold workshops
- Prepare for June 6 workshop
- For questions and suggestions donald.brooks@cpuc.ca.gov

### **Analytical**

- 2024 Base Case migrate to new TEPPC 2024 Common Case
- Data development load/wind/solar uncertainty distributions
- Run analysis as described
- Issue results report to stakeholders





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