Resilience of INFRASTRUCTURE NETWORKS

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Resilience, adaptability and vulnerability in complex Energy Networks EPSRC



MANMADE

DIAGNOSING VULNERABILITY, EMERGENT PHENOMENA, and VOLATILITY in MANMADE NETWORKS EU

Outline of talk

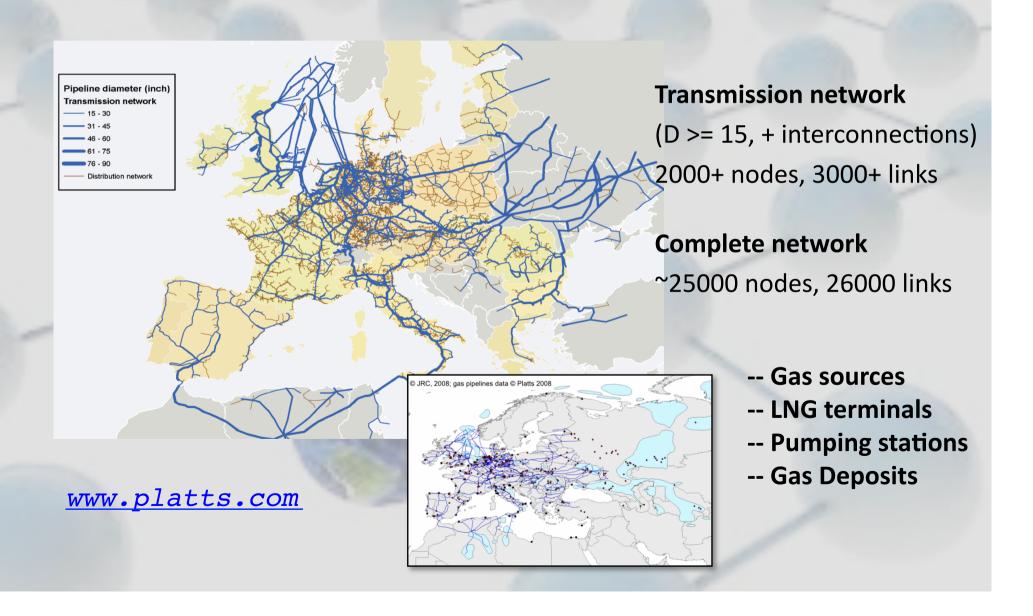


European infrastructure networks.

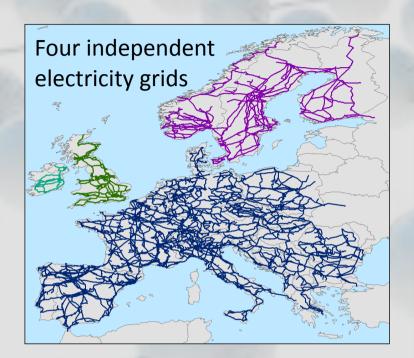
An approach to modelling of gas network supply crises in Europe

Future modelling challenges with renewable energy sources

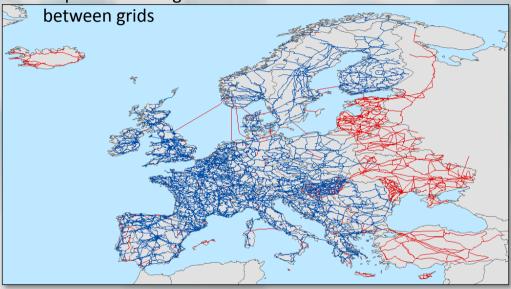
Euro gas network (QMUL and JRC)

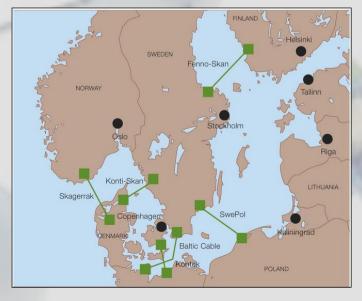


The European Electricity Grid



The synchronisation of phase of the HV current is required within grids but not





Power exchange between two AC networks that are not synchronized is by means of high voltage direct current (HVDC) lines

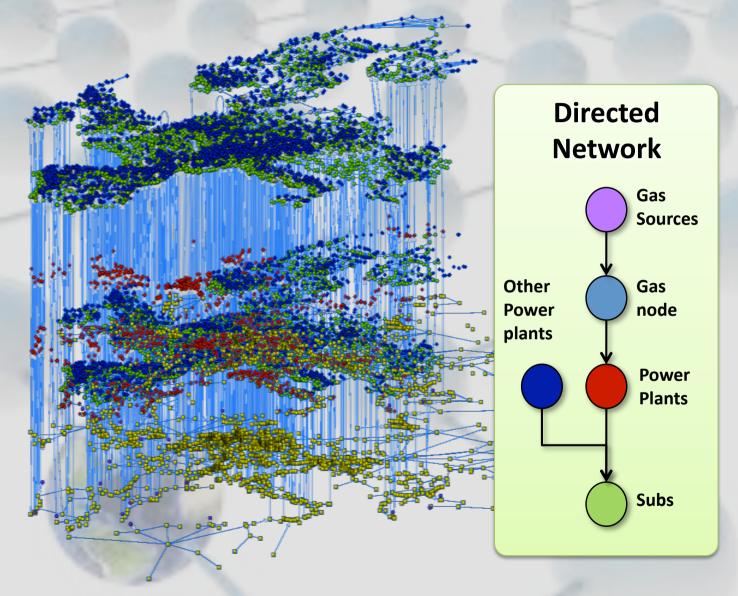
e.g. Scandinavia-Poland

Interconnected infrastructure networks

Gas pipelines 2000+ nodes 2500+ edges 21 LNG teminals

Electricity grid 5000+ subs ~7000 edges

Power plants 998 Natural Gas 4383 Others



Interdependent network modelling

The fragility of interdependency

A. Vespignani, *Nature* Vol 464 15 April 2010.
A study of failures in interconnected networks highlights the vulnerability of tightly coupled infrastructures....



Catastrophic cascade of failures in interdependent networks Buldryev et al Nature Vol 464 | 15 April 2010 | doi:10.1038/nature08932

Building on the 'percolation analysis' of two mutually dependent networks, highlights the subtleties of this problem.

Multilayer networks. Journal of Complex Networks 2 (3): 203–271. doi:10.1093/comnet/cnu016. Kivelä et al. (2014).

Natural infrastructure crises and events

August 2005 Hurricane Katrina September 2005 Hurricane Rita

> 2005-2006 Russia-Ukraine dispute

2008-2009 Russia-Ukraine dispute

> 2011 Arab spring

March 2011 Tsunami Fukushima nuclear plant

International disputes

Natural disasters

War - terrorism

Reserves shortage

2013 Algeria terrorist attack

March 2014 Russian invasion of Crimea

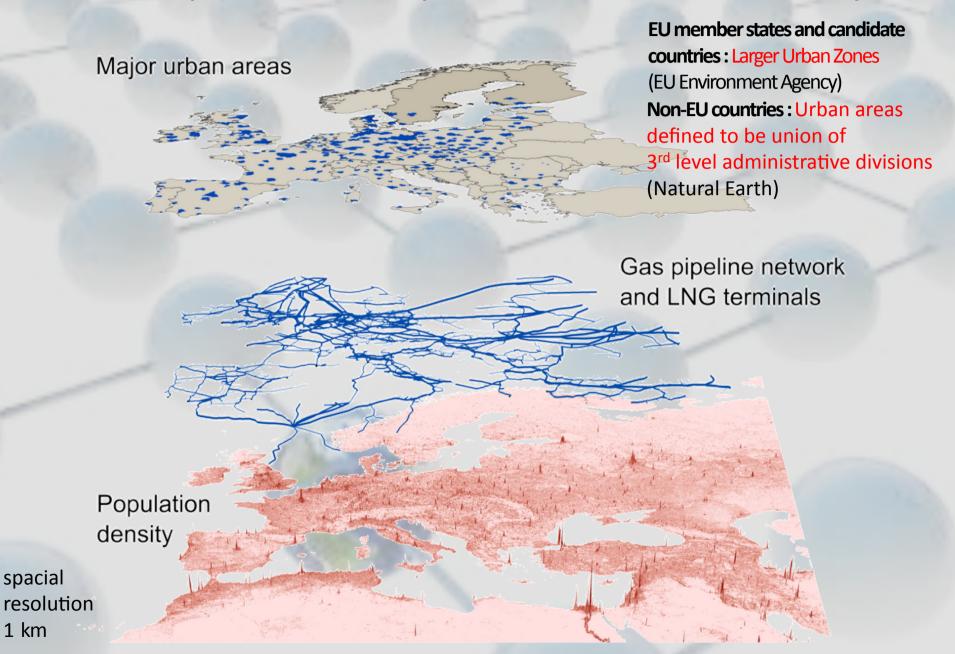
Fracking!

Why can be congestion a problem with such events?

- In a crisis, less delivery may mean greater congestion
 - breakdown of major transit routes
 - production losses in affected areas.
- The supply network has to adapted and used in different ways.
- Available resources may not be distributed well within the remaining network
- How do we handle it?

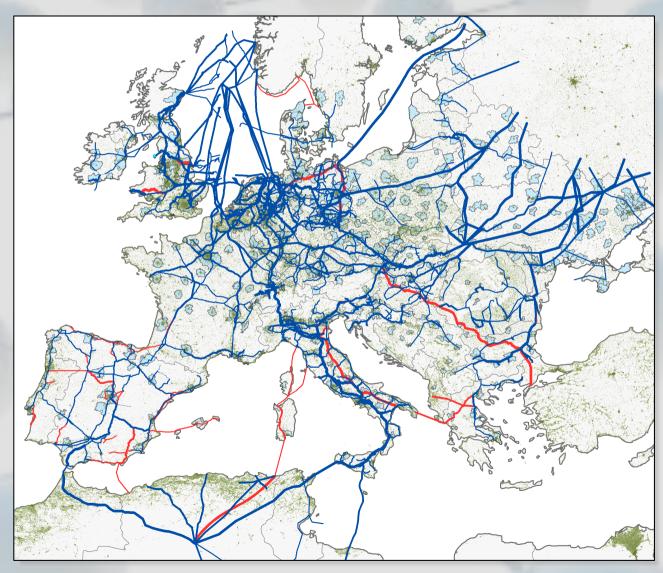
Methodology Data Resilience to crises Congestion control Routing

Data: spatial data layers involved in the analysis



1 km

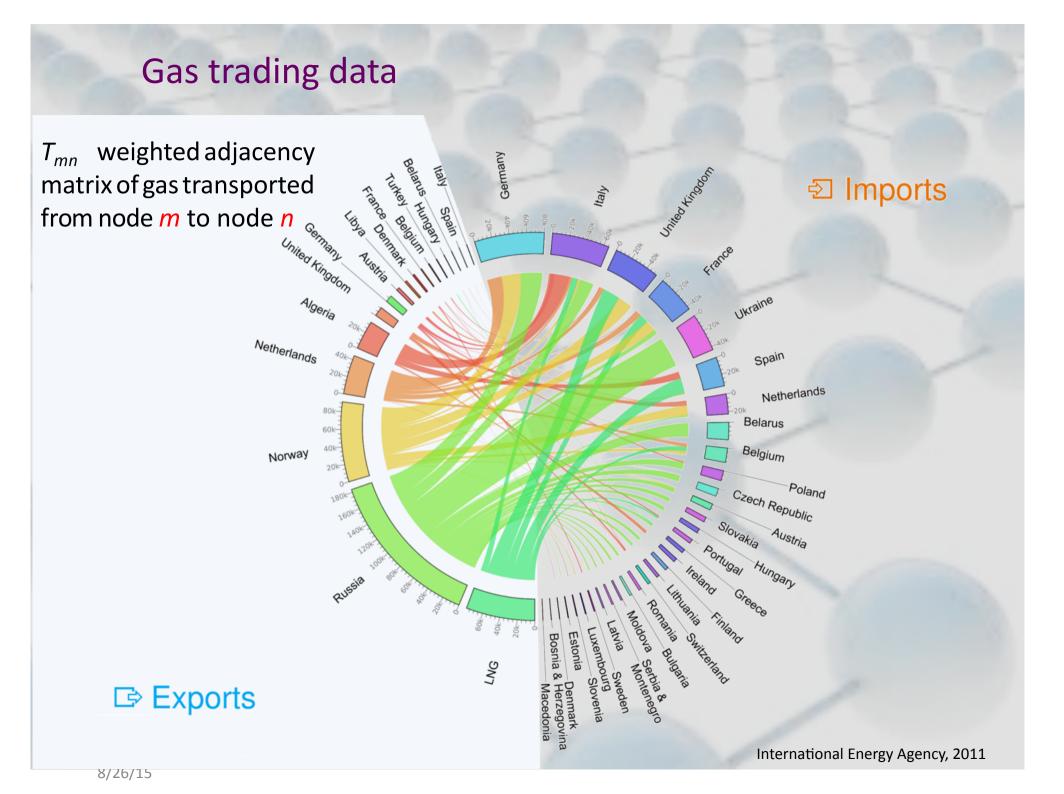
Data: the European gas network



2,649 nodes (compressor and city gate stations, LNG terminals, etc.)

3,673 edges
Pipeline segments

186,132 km Total length

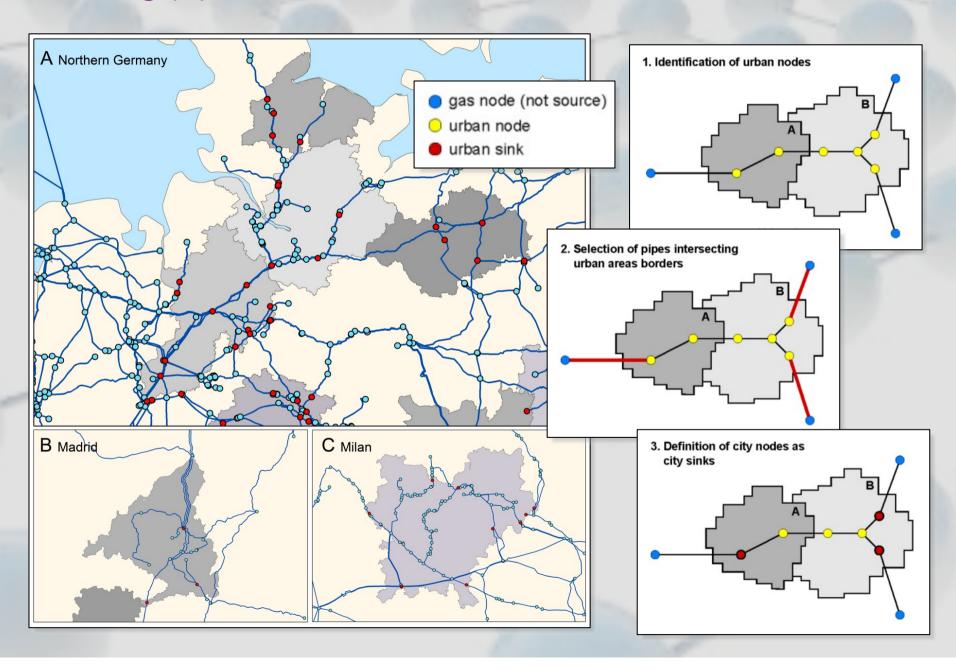


Macro routing to micro links

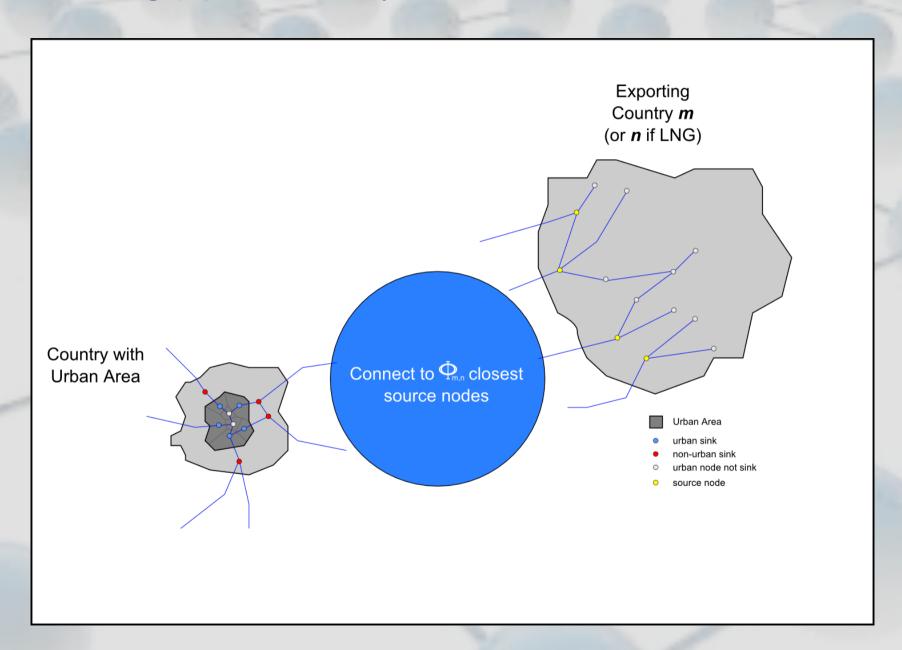
Problem: how to disaggregate the country level gas trade matrix to the level of network nodes?

- Solution: we need an algorithm to generate source to sink paths with an associated flow or demand
- Observations:
 - Assume demand proportional to population;
 - Shortest path routing sometimes a poor routing choice because it can avoid routes with large capacity;
- Structure of the algorithm:
 - Locate sources and sinks;
 - Pair individual sources and sinks;
 - Define the demand of each source and sink pair;
 - Determine the source to sink paths.

Routing (1) - Location of sink nodes



Routing (2) - How we pair source and sink nodes



Routing (3) - how we define local demand

Demand of a geographical area: the country's demand weighted by the ratio between the population of the area and the country

Each sink node of an importing country n is connected to Φ_{mn} paths from source nodes in exporting country m

Each of these paths has a share of the demand T_{mn} at node I in country m given by

$$D_{mn}(I) = (Z_{nI} / Z_n) T_{mn} / \Phi_{mn}$$



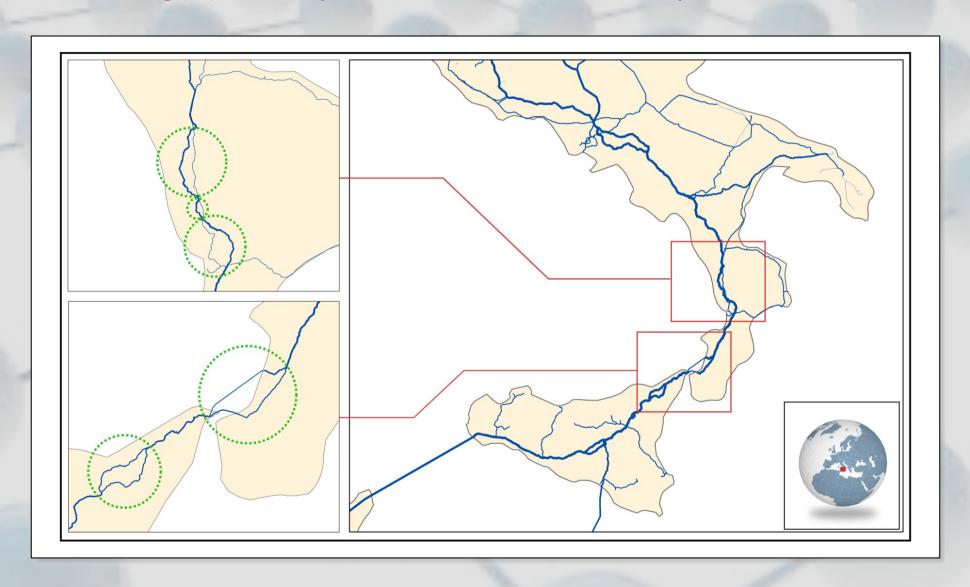
where

 Z_{nl} is the population associated with sink node of importing country n

 z_n is the population of importing country n

 T_{mn} is the volume of gas transferred from country m to country n

Routing(4) – the problem with shortest path



How to determine source and sink paths

slice of capacity cake if we would reroute one path to edge i:

$$h_i = c_i / (1 + b_i)$$

Effective link length

$$\widetilde{I_i} = \left(\frac{\langle h_i \rangle}{h_i}\right)^{\alpha} I_i.$$

Heuristic rerouting

- Go through each source to sink route and find a new path j connecting the two nodes. Compute the path length $\overrightarrow{I_j} = \sum_{i \in \text{path j}} \widetilde{I_i};$
- If $\overrightarrow{l_j}$ is lower than the previously found path, then it repalces the existing source to sink path;
- ► Recompute the weights *l_i* for all paths, and repeat the procedure for all paths until it has been executed 20 times.

Congestion control proportional fairness

Definition 1. A vector of path flows $f^* = (f_1^*, \ldots, f_{\rho}^*)$ is proportionally fair if it is feasible and if for any other feasible vector of path flows f, the sum of proportional changes in the path flows is non-positive:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\rho} \frac{f_j - f_j^*}{f_j^*} \leqslant 0.$$

- A flow is proportionally fair if, to increase a path flow by a percentage ε , we have to decrease a set of other path flows, such that the sum of the percentage decreases is larger or equal to ε .
- Idea behind proportional fairness: use pricing on the links to control congestion.
- We view the network as an optimizer and the proportional fairness policy as a distributed solution to a global optimization problem.

Congestion control: The Primal problem

Proposition 1. The unique set of feasible paths flows that maximizes the function $U(f) = \sum_{j=1}^{\rho} \log(f_j)$ is proportionally fair.

To find the proportional fair allocation, we need to maximize U(f), constrained to the vector of path flows being feasible:

maximize
$$U(f) = \sum_{j=1}^{\rho} \log(f_j)$$

subject to
$$Bf \le c$$

$$f_j \ge 0,$$

The aggregate utility U(f) is concave and the inequality constraints are convex. Hence the optimization problem is convex. Thus, any locally optimal point is also a global optimum.

Control algorithm

A primal algorithm

$$\frac{d}{dt}f_j(t) = 1 - f_j(t) \sum_{i=1}^{\eta} B_{ij}\mu_i(t),$$

where

$$\mu_i(t) = p_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\rho} B_{ij} f_j(t) \right)$$

$$p_i(y) = \frac{\max(0, y - c_i + \epsilon)}{\epsilon^2}$$

Congestion Control: Decentralized Dual Algorithm

A dual algorithm: consider a system where the shadow prices vary gradually as a function of the path flows:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mu_{i}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{\rho} B_{ij}f_{j}(t) - q_{i}(\mu_{i}(t)),$$

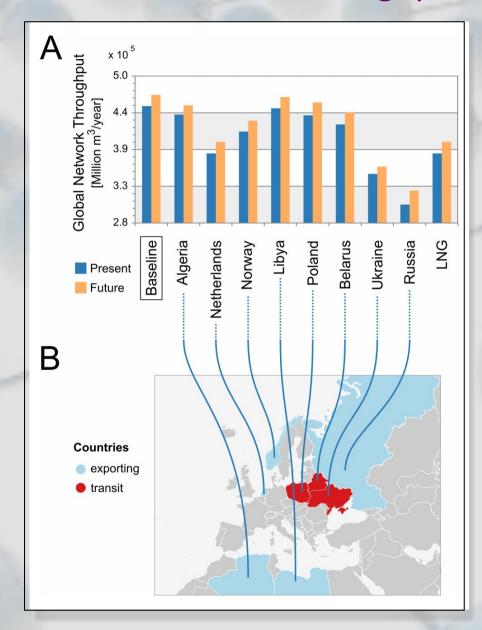
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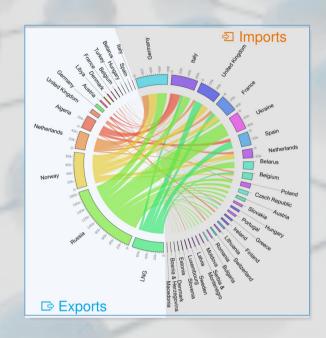
$$f_j(t) = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{\eta} B_{ij} \mu_i(t)},$$

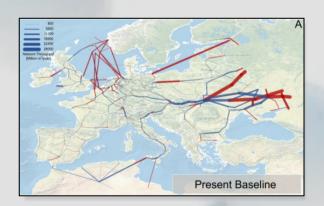
and $q(\cdot)$ is the inverse of $p(\cdot)$. As $\epsilon \to 0$, the dual and primal algorithms become equivalent.

F. P. Kelly, A. K. Maulloo, and D. K. H. Tan, "Rate control for communication networks: shadow prices, proportional fairness and stability," *J. Oper. Res. Soc.*, vol. 49, no. 3, pp. 237–252, 1998.

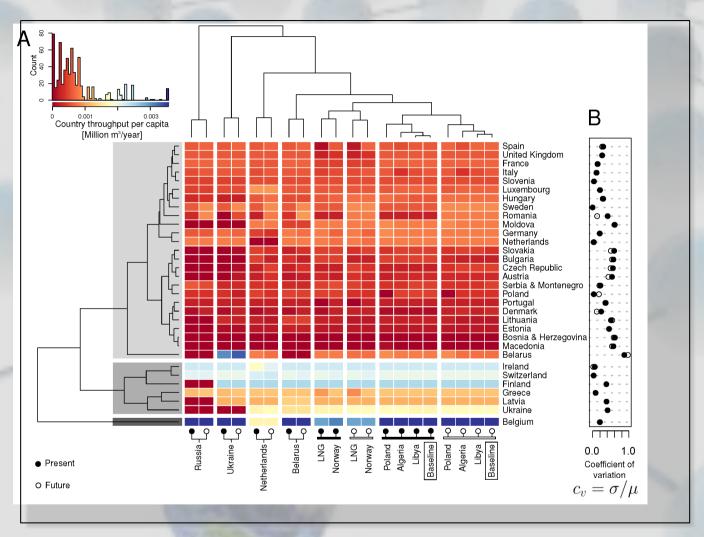
Global network throughput by scenario





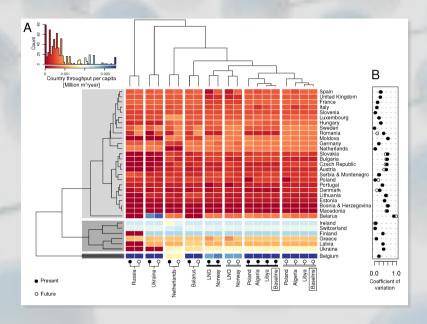


Resilience at country and network levels



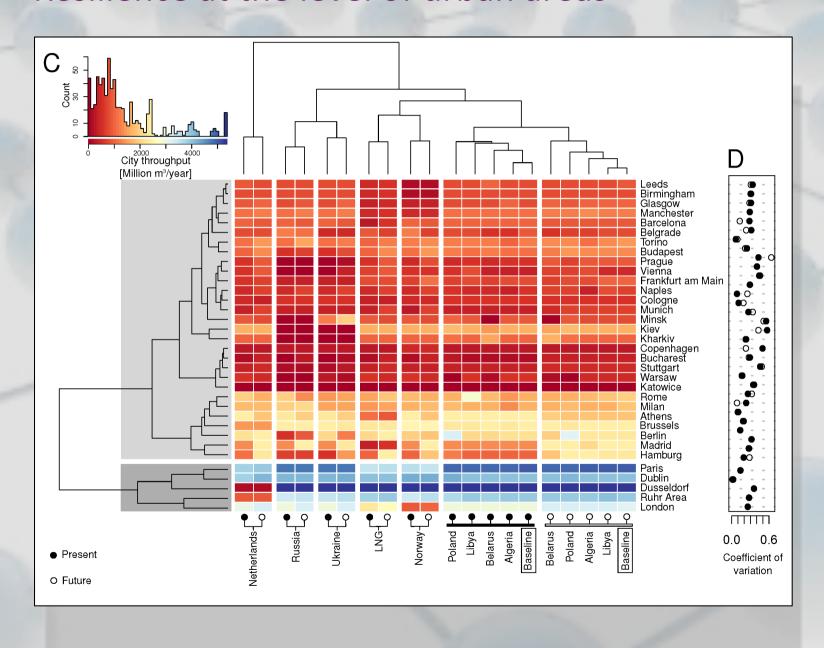
- A country is resilient to crises if it combines high throughput per capita across scenarios with a low coefficient of variation of throughput.
- The network is resilient to a scenario if the vectors of country throughput per capita for the scenario and the baseline scenario are similar.

Interpreting the heat map



- Coefficient of variation is large for countries in Eastern Europe;
- Countries belong to the high throughput per capita groups (dark grey) due to diversity of supply and good access to network capacity (strategic geographical location);
- Unexpected spill over effect from countries like Germany that make large investments in infrastructure:
 - these countries provide routes for neighbouring countries to access the network;
 - they benefit less from the investments than their smaller neighbours.

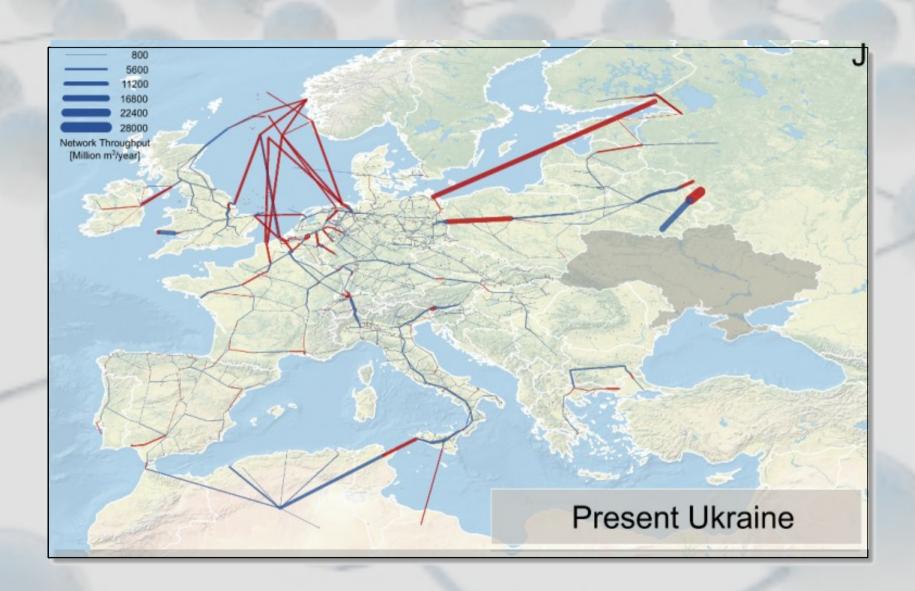
Resilience at the level of urban areas



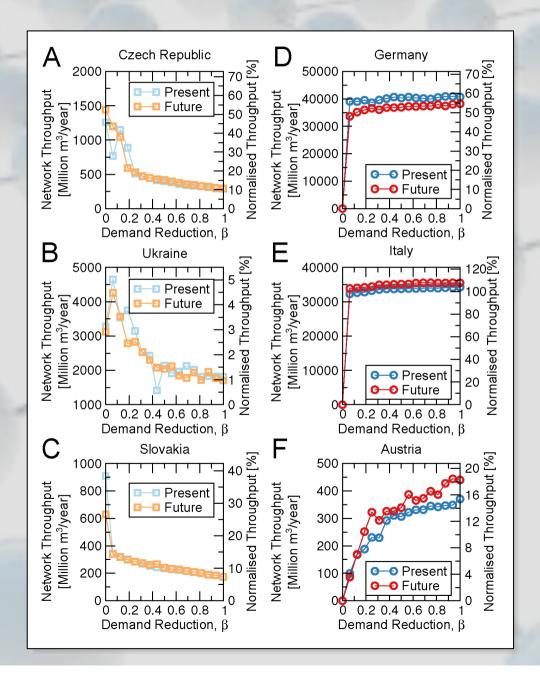
Hypothetical crisis with Russia

- Two groups of countries:
- Group I (heavily dependent on Russia): eastern Europe,
 Estonia, Finland, Greece, Latvia and Lithuania;
- Group II: all other countries
- New scenario: Russia removed from the network and demand of group I is rerouted to Norway and the Netherlands;
- New flow matrix found by relocating flow from Russia for group I countries to the Netherlands and Norway, proportionally to the production of these exporting countries;
- We apply a prefactor $0 \le \beta \le 1$ to the values of demand of countries in group II.

Present scenarios



Mitigating effects of the crisis



We can hope to recover:

- between 40-50% of the baseline throughput for the Czech Republic and 15-40% forSlovakia;
- up to 5% for Ukraine (at very reduced overall demand)
- Access to capacity of large group II (e.g. Germany, Italy) is broadly unaffected (group I countries use little of this capacity);
- Austria now becomes a transit country, its throughput decreases as it shares its capacity with group I.

Current and future challenges

The energy networks are pan-European, even intercontinental,

Efficient energy exchange between countries is vital.

Need more investigation of energy networks with real world and useful conclusions

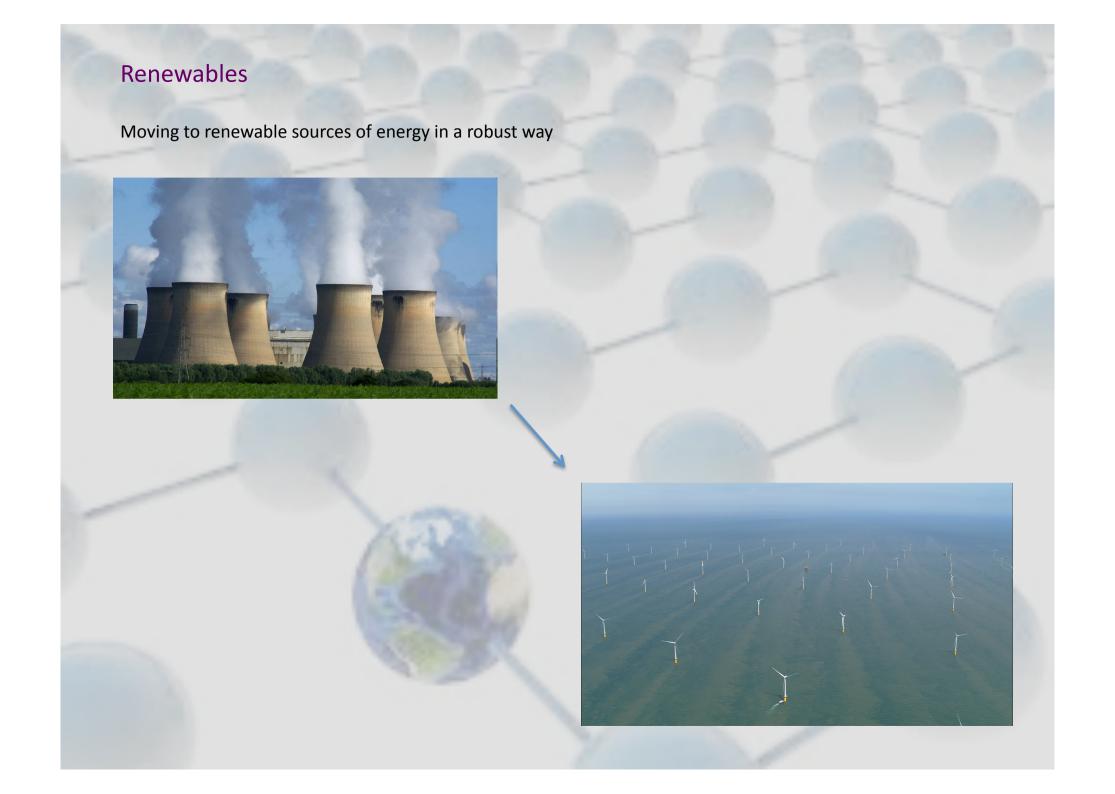
Variety of mathematical approaches needed to validate robustness of results before they have practical use at the economic-political level

Vulnerability

- Structural (catastrophic failure of network components)
- Functional (electricity/gas supplies)

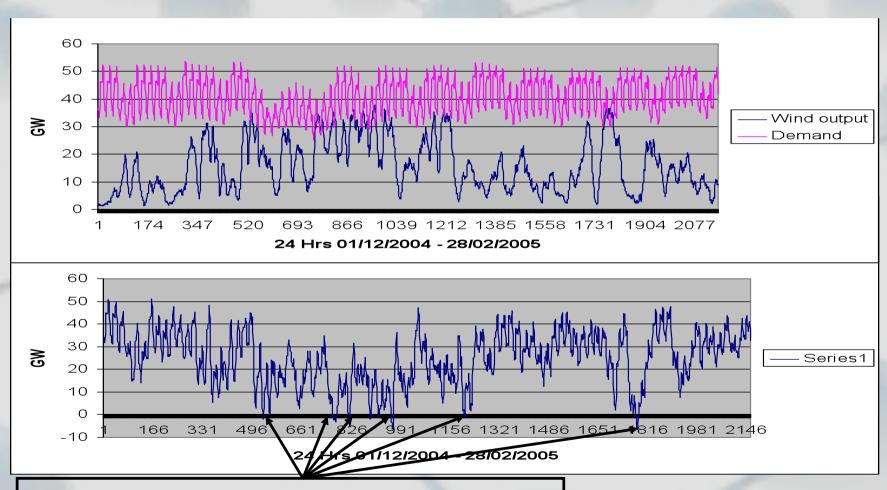
Interconnected data sets and multi-layer networks

 strategy for resilience of gas, electricity and communications networks as an interconnected structure



Intermittency of supply – the problem

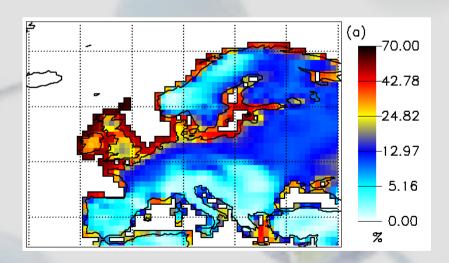
3 month period modelled using 2005 demand data and projected 2030 levels of wind



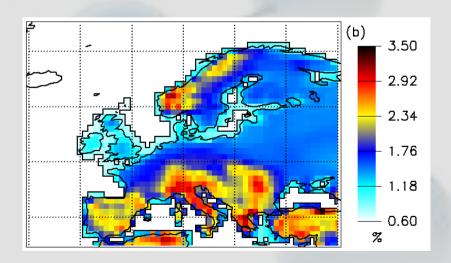
Generation greater than demand!

Wind power – geographical distribution

Wind data – clear implications at the political level (pan European investment)



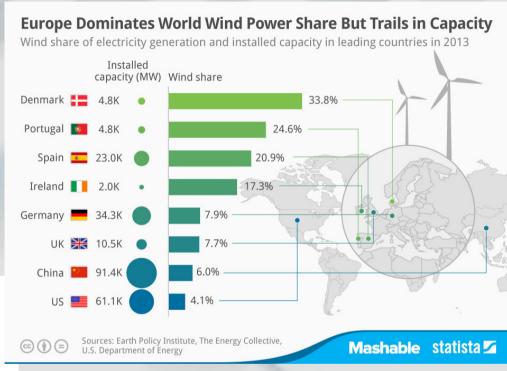
Average wind speed



Variance of wind speed

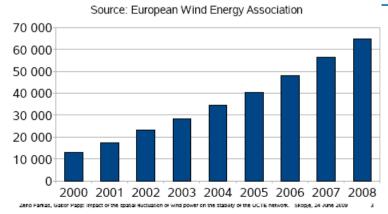
Wind energy data 2008 and 2013

Increasing wind power capacity in the EU [MW]

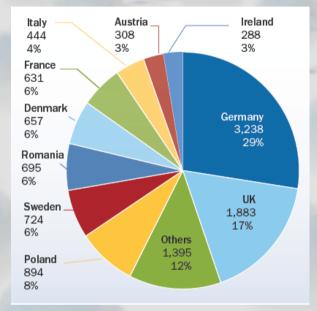


Growth of wind power

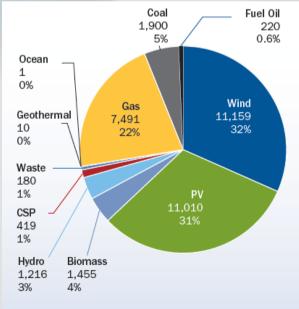
Cumalative wind power capacity in the EU [MW]

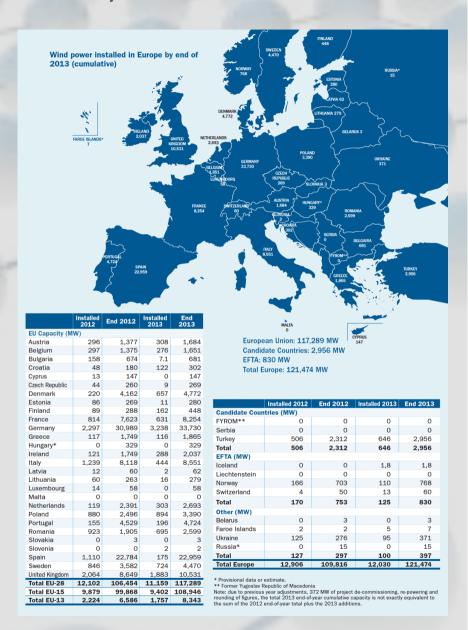


Renewable data (EWEA Feb 2014)

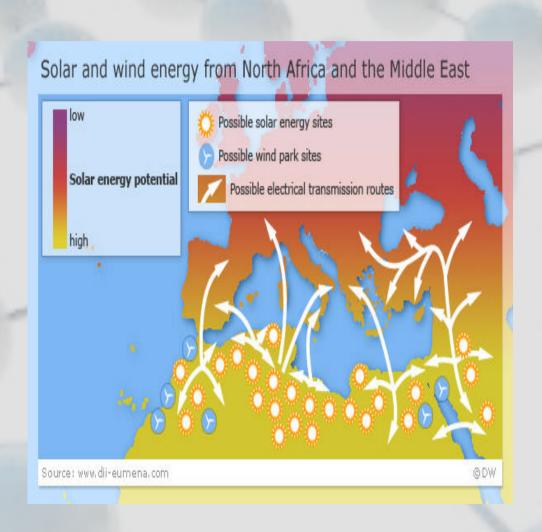


New capacity by (i) country (ii) type (2013)





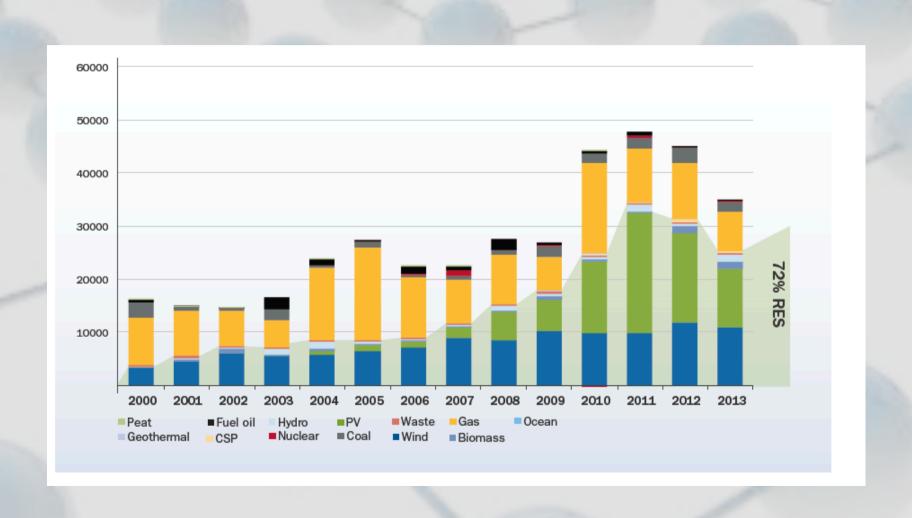
Future Add-in - Solar energy PV(photo-voltaic) and CSP(Concentrated solar power)



Initiatives(?)
MEDGRID is promoting
new high capacity
electricity links around the
Mediterranean.

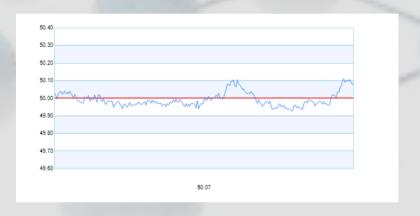
EUMEDGRID are complementary and mutually reinforcing, the first focusing on energy generation and the second on energy transmission.

Installed power generating capacity per year in MW and renewable energy share (EWEA Feb 2014)



Balancing the grid

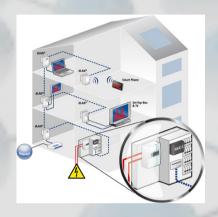
- Electrical network has AC distributed from power stations via a NATIONAL GRID to homes, offices and industry
- Frequency has to be maintained close to 50 cps
- One hour of frequency data for the UK national grid 12/08/2015



- Requires fine balance between production of electricity and its consumption otherwise BLACKOUTS
- Some countries live with daily programmed blackouts, but seen as crisis in the UK
- Conventional power stations able to deliver the balance around 50cps most of the time (+/- = 1 %)

SMARTGRID network control

Ability of the grid to run an increasingly complex and diverse network with balanced supply – demand of electricity which embraces renewables and local generation



Keeping the balance between supply and demand -at a time of unprecedented change in supply

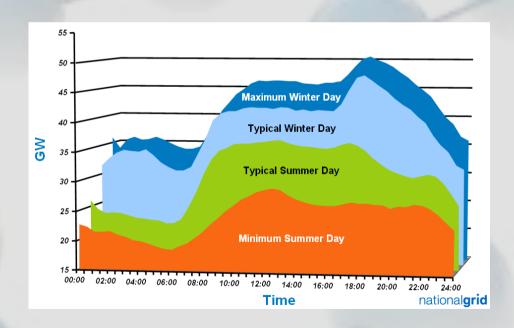
Power networks and the customer - techno-social issues

- Influence in social networks for change of customer behaviour
- Curtailing consumption at peak periods using SMART METERING
- Fixed demand side pricing vs. variable market pricing on supply side

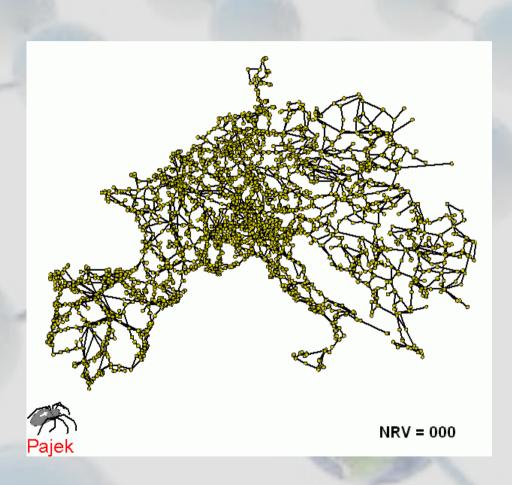
Control mechanisms

- Use smart metering to curtail customer usage at peak periods particularly in winter months
- the use of smart appliances agreements to remotely shape the power consumption profile (switching off fridges, washing machines)
- Demand side singular pricing
 - paying more for uninterrupted domestic supply

Problem that first generation smart meters in the UK will be passive – they will not be externally controllable - we need to look beyond this stage to smart metering which is fully interactive



Decay of network by betweenness centrality



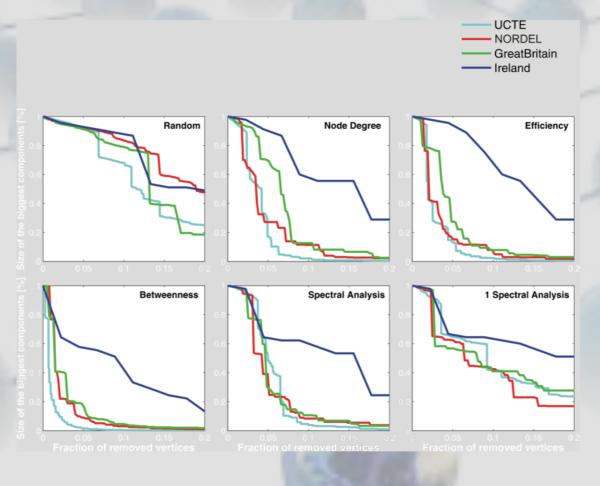
Rate of decay is dependent on the selection criteria



BETWEENNESS CENTRALITY

NRV – number of removed vertices

Measuring the consequences



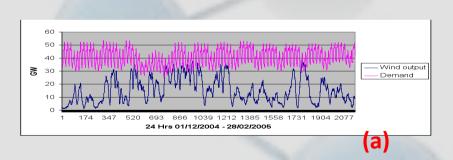
Size of largest connected component decreases most rapidly for betweenness centrality

By this measure of connected component size, the most effective targeted attack is BETWEENNESS

Mathematical challenge of the smart grid

- Modelling of the distribution grid
 - stochastic nature of renewable inputs
 - aggregate customer energy demand and use of singular demand side pricing
 - risk analysis

Resolving (a) while having to retain (b)!





Political-social aspects for the modelling

Absence of likely well-balanced supply and demand of electricity,

- government shutdown of large industrial plant as a first move if
- will be reluctance to introduce any counter-demand pricing which might be viewed as harming certain sections of the population

STORAGE of ENERGY is the solution to all our problems!

Storage!

Is a major engineering problem – but also a network issue

Networks

- The likelihood of MEDGRID solar power in North Africa has reduced
- POOR capacity of network connections at international level vs. the resilience of more developed national infrastructures is a storage issue
- Islanding techniques for the future controlled blackouts

Remarks

- Real world analysis of infrastructure is
 - detailed, data driven, incomplete network information
 - fundamentals assumptions can change (e.g. future security of solar PV supply from the Sahara)
- Congestion control methods might mitigate the effect of crises in gas pipeline networks.
- Other mathematical approaches need to be considered to model these problems to find robust methods of analysis and decision making.
- Fair sharing is a potential procedure for supply to countries during crisis in the European gas grid
- Other countries need to accept a reduction in demand.
- Good mathematical problems around the switch to future renewables supply and the stochastic risk element that needs to be addressed.