



The Impact of Transmission Pricing in Network Industries

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Dii, an international industry network

Dii creates in partnership with local authorities and industries a market place in EUMENA for **renewable energy (RE) from the deserts**

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Country specific Dii partnerships with major associations and institutions

Country specific cooperation agreements

	Tunisia	Morocco	Algeria	Egypt
Partner	 <p>Société Tunisienne de l'Electricité et du Gaz</p>	 <p>masen Moroccan Agency for Solar Energy</p>	 <p>سونلغاز SONELGAZ</p>	 <p>NREA</p>
Date of signature	April 2011	May 2011	December 2011	January 2013
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-feasibility study for RE projects in Tunisia Creation of an appropriate legal and regulatory framework Identification of potential for local industry involvement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business case identification for solar energy export project in Morocco Reference Project promotion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Study on all relevant aspects for RE projects in Algeria Support in RE advancement Exchange of technical expertise Promotion of industrial coop 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support of local institutions to disseminate RE projects Exchange of data e.g. for solar and wind resources analysis, grid expansion, legal frameworks, etc.

Regional Dii partnerships with major associations and institutions

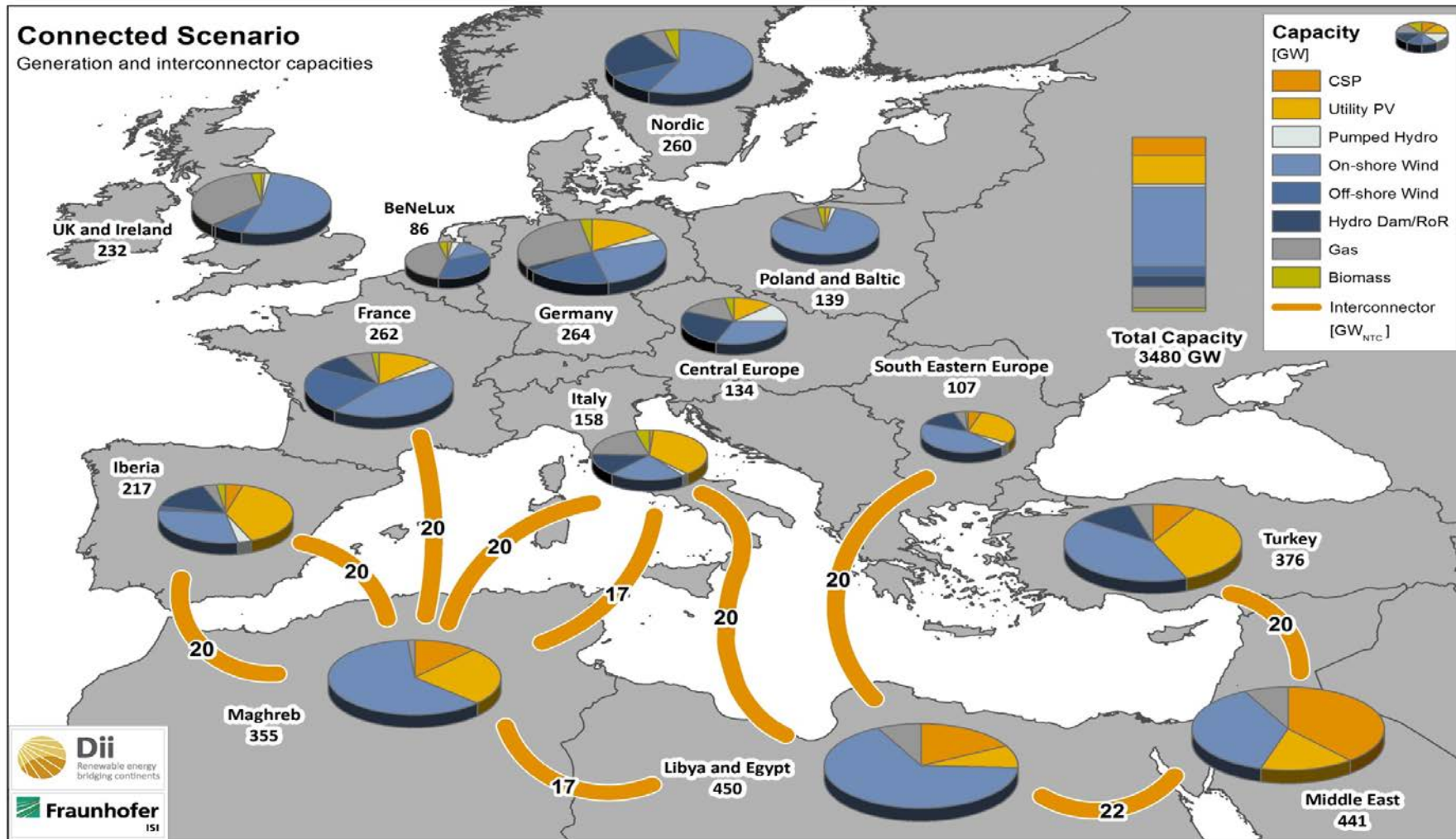
Regional cooperation agreements

	Medgrid	Friends of the Supergrid	UfM	RES4MED	RCREEE
Partner					
Date of signature	November 2011	March 2012	May 2012	November 2012	April 2013
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated actions in the fields of long term generation, transmission and marketability of renewable energy in Europe and the MENA region 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contribution to the development of regulatory, technical, and supply chain frameworks appropriate for delivering an integrated grid network 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cooperation among others on policy, regulation, assessment of transmission and storage infrastructures, EU-MENA interconnections, financing tools, support schemes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application of mutual experience and expertise towards the promotion of RE strategies in the Mediterranean Proposition of plans to encourage investments in the region 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intensified collaboration in a range of activities, with the goal to increase the share of cost-effective renewable energy and energy efficiency policies in the Arab region

Dii's Vision: An interconnected EUMENA power market based on renewables. Therefore, ...



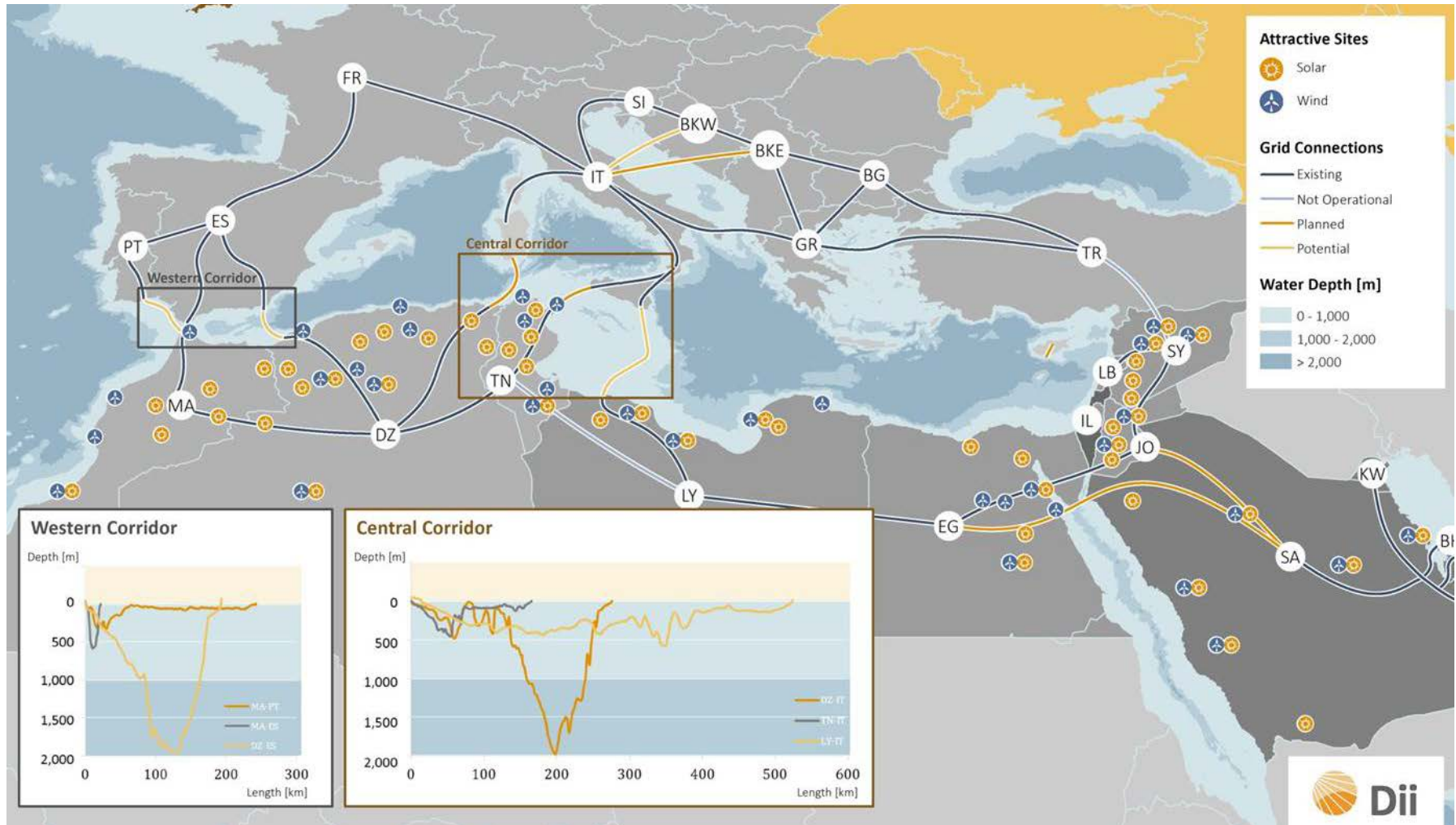
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Dii helps to create transparency, identify concrete investment opportunities and projects ...



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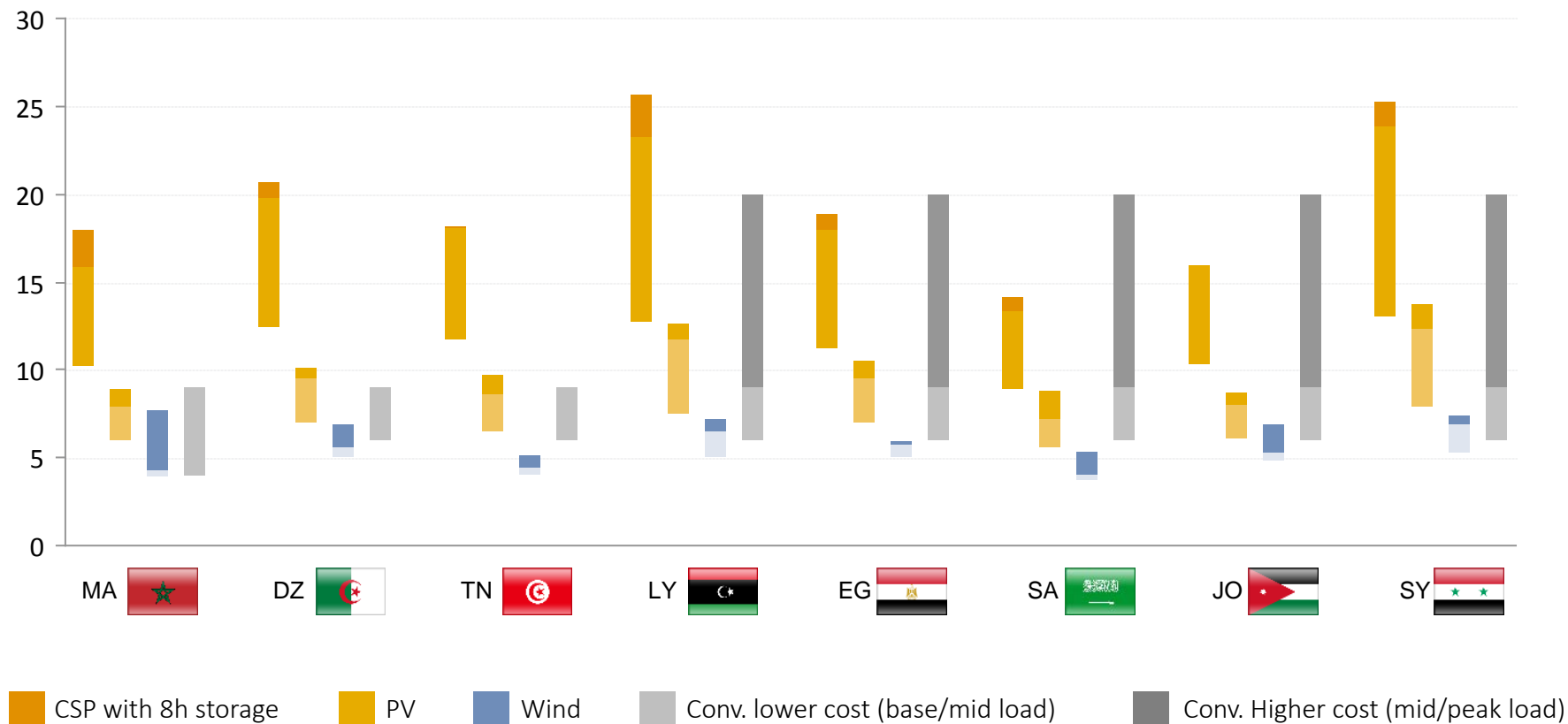
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Several renewable technologies are already commercially viable today in the MENA region

Expected cost of RE installations in MENA until 2020 [€ct/kWh]



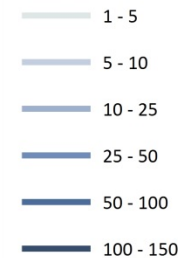
Source: Dii Note: RE LCOE calculated based on identified sites and country-specific Dii cost of capital estimates

Conventional generation has been estimated with 40€/MWh for Coal, 60€/MWh for CCGT, 90€/MWh OCGT for and up to 200€/MWh for oil-fired power plants.

Cross-Med interconnectors are among the most attractive, besides those in the North Sea ...

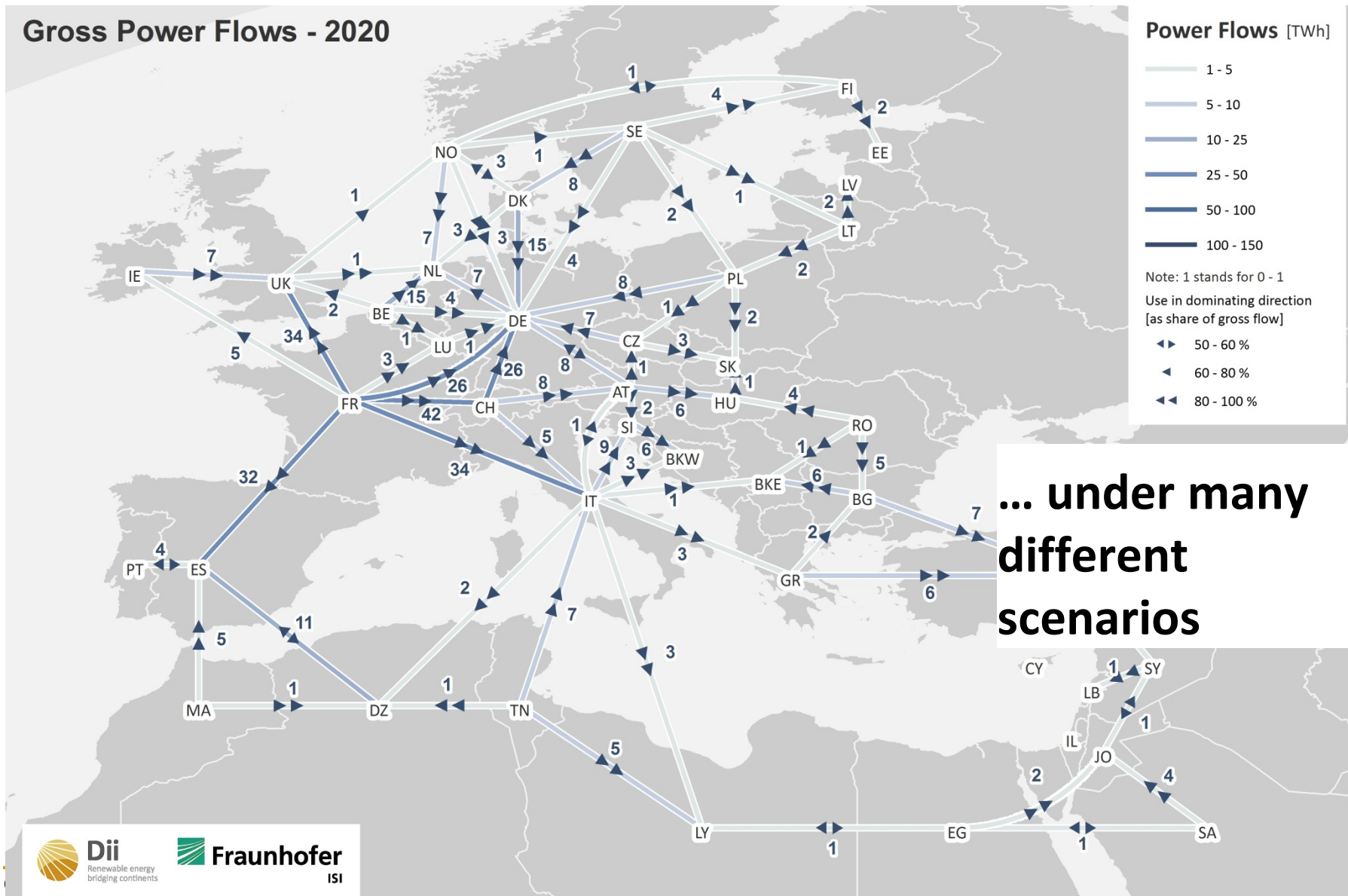
Gross Power Flows - 2020

Power Flows [TWh]



Note: 1 stands for 0 - 1
Use in dominating direction [as share of gross flow]

- ▶ 50 - 60 %
- ◀ 60 - 80 %
- ◄ 80 - 100 %



... under many different scenarios

... advice on policy making and regulation, strategy and providing networking opportunities



Input in political processes: broadly appreciated in-depth analysis and insights on

- Renewables in MENA
- Mediterranean/MENA grid & market integration

Better policy making: public consultations, general advice on

- Power sector & transmission regulation
- Grid, system & market design/optimization
- RE support schemes & RE financing

Networking platform: exchange on desert power, especially

- Between MENA and Europe
- Between industry & public actors & civil society
- Covering all RE technologies, and whole value chain

Public awareness: public attention for & positive news about RE and about MENA

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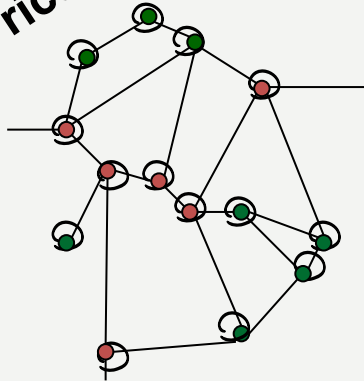
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- Capacity adequacy is in the focus of debate in liberalized electricity markets → Market design is decisive
- We compare the **long run effects** (on gen. & trans. capacity) of two different market design variants used to accommodate scarce transmission capacities

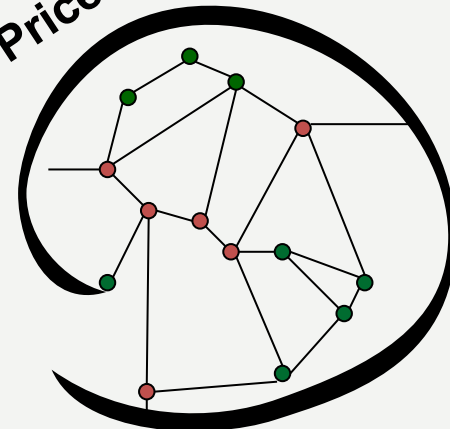
Locational Marginal Pricing /
Nodal Pricing
(e.g. PJM, CAISO)

Nodal Prices



Uniform Pricing
(Redispatch System)
(e.g. DE, FR, GB)

One Price





Question: How do the different market design variants affect

- investment in generation facilities?
- the generation technology mix (base- vs. peakload)?
- investment in transmission facilities?

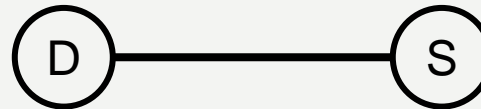
Preview on Results

- Short run
 - Both market design variants deliver an efficient dispatch
 - Uniform pricing results in a higher payoff for generators
- Long run consequences of uniform pricing
 - **Generators inefficiently overinvest**
 - Generation overinvestment requires **more transmission investment**
 - Uniform pricing leads to a **distortion of the generation technology mix**
 - Adjusting transmission pricing can correct for distortions (e.g. UK)



Network model with endogenous capacity choice

1 Planner chooses transmission capacity L optimally



2 Choice of generation capacity X and technology mix by competitive investors

3 Two market design variants at the spot market

Two Prices

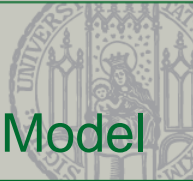


→ Transmission constraints are priced at the spot market

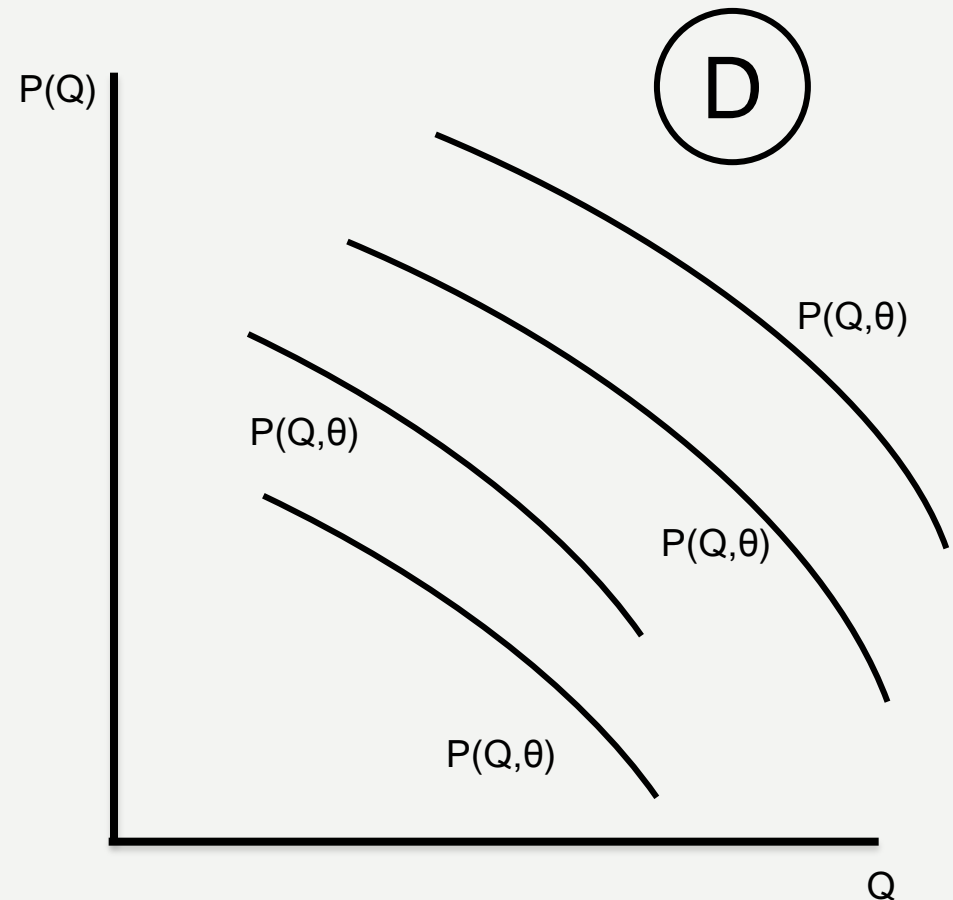
One Price

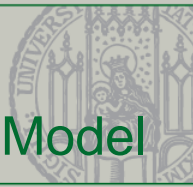


→ Transmission constraints are not reflected at the spot market
 → Potentially, redispatch to be performed

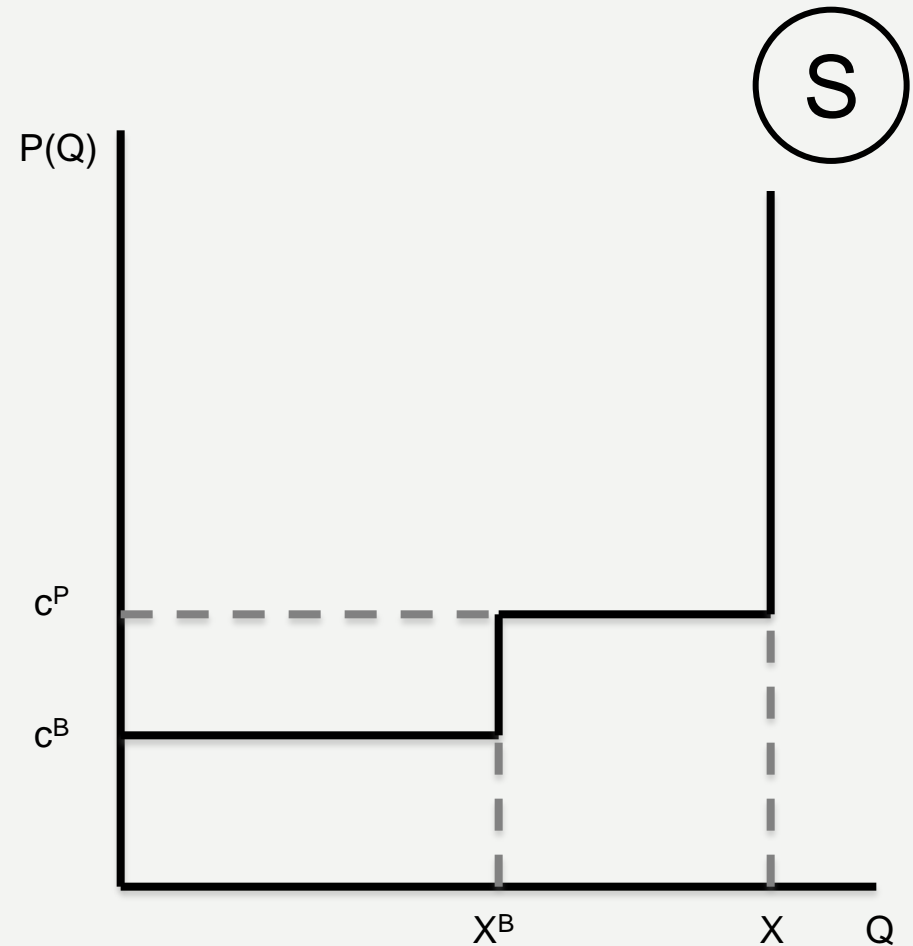


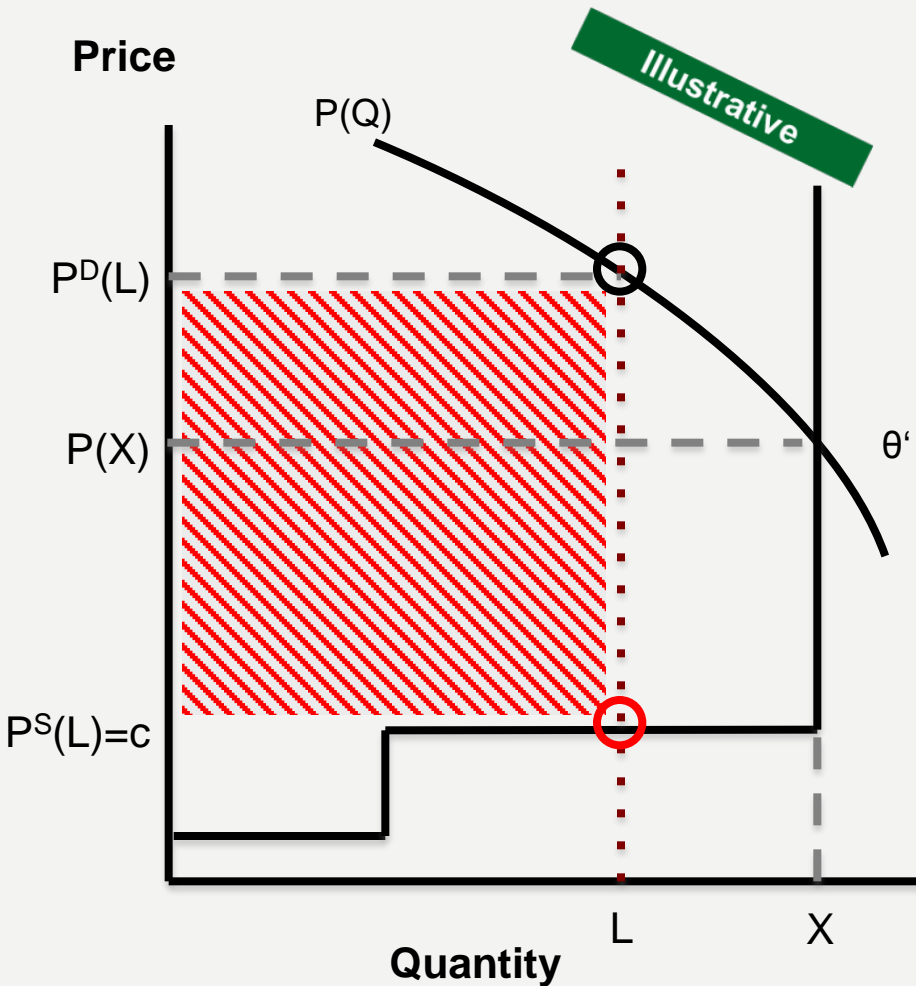
- Inverse demand $P(Q, \theta)$,
with $P_q(Q, \theta) < 0$
- θ captures the different levels of demand
 - Frequency $\bar{f}(\theta)$
 - Support $[\underline{\theta}, \bar{\theta}]$
 - Distribution $F(\theta)$



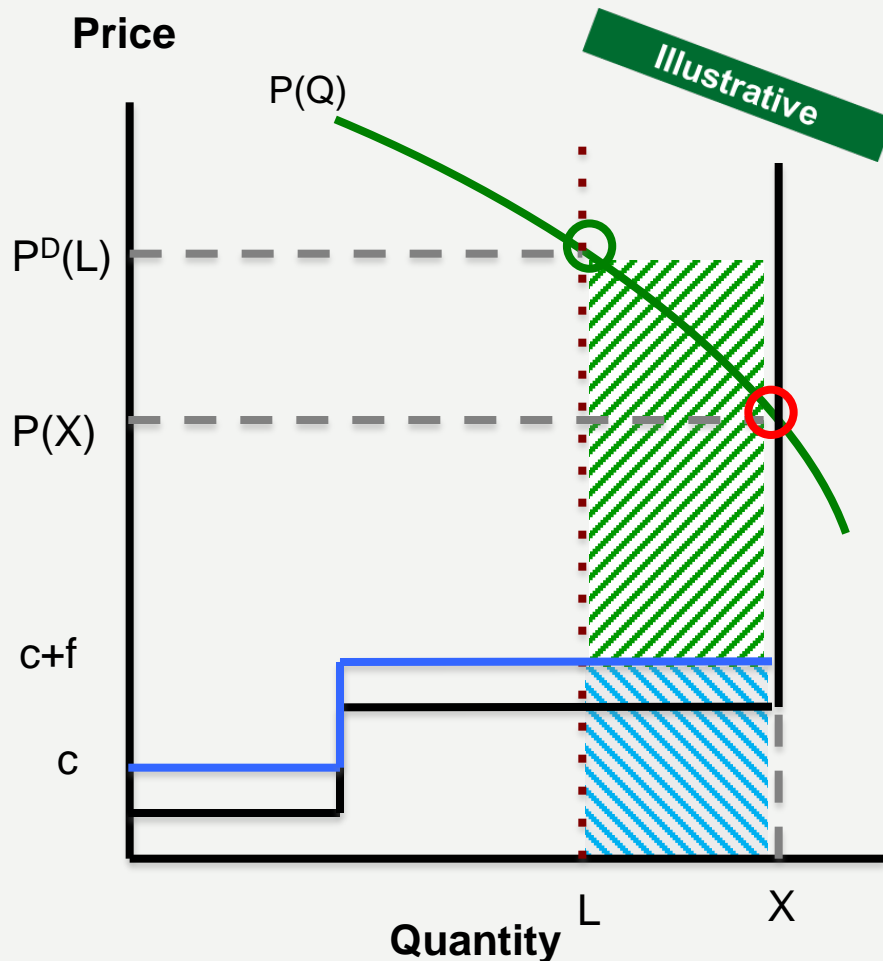


- *competitive firms*
- firms can invest in 2 different technologies, B and P
- Assumptions:
 - cost of investment $k^B > k^P$
 - cost of production $c^B < c^P$
 - e.g.: nuclear-, lignite-, coal-, and gas-fired power plants

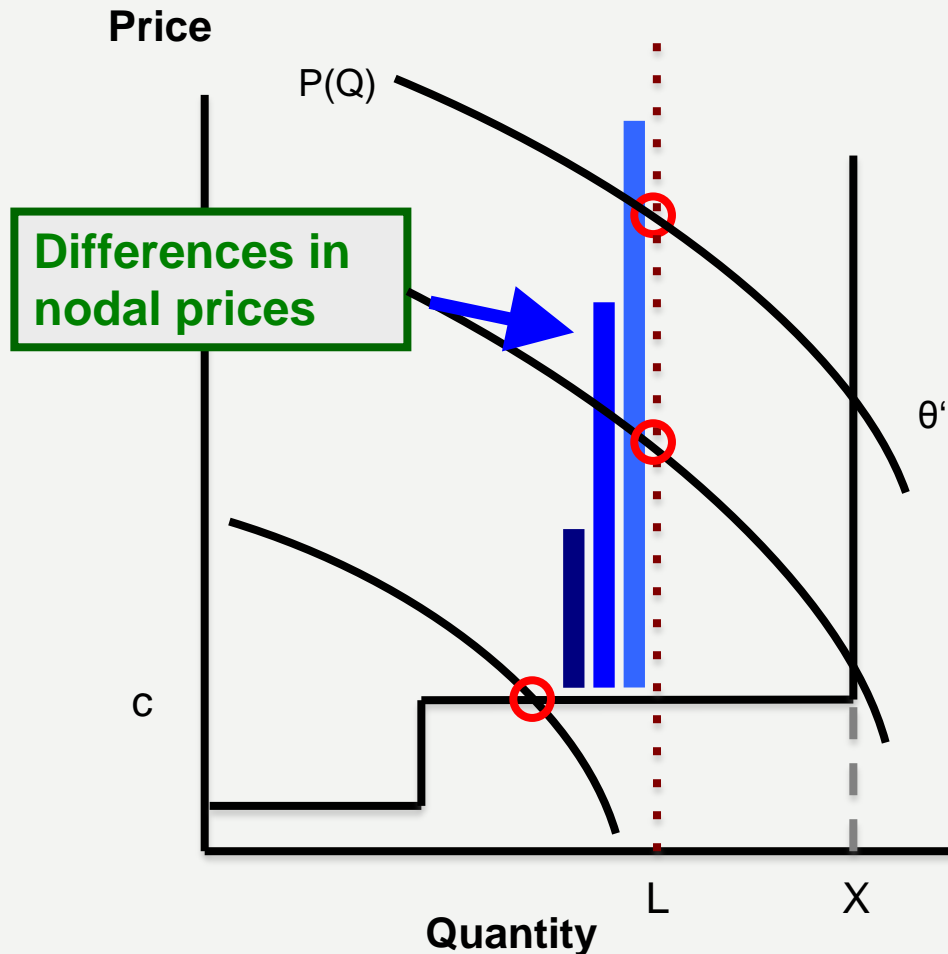




- At given spot market, both sides would like to trade quantity X at price $P(X)$
- Line capacity only quantity L
→ Prices $P^D(L)$ and $P^S(L)=c$ clear the market
- Nodal prices lead to an efficient spot market allocation and allow to efficiently price investment
- Financing of transmission network (the link L) takes place by differences in nodal prices.



- At given spot market, both sides trade quantity X at price $P(X)$.
 - But: Market cannot be cleared (since $L < X$!). To clear market **redispatch** is needed:
 - Operator buys at the demand node and sells at the supply node.
 - Price at redispatch market is $P^D(L)$, some generators pay $c+f$ and do not produce.
- Financing of the redispatch market and of transmission investment takes place via transmission fee f („Netzentgelt“ in Germany)



- Choosing total Investment X
Whenever X is strictly larger than the transmission link generating firms always loose money!
- Choosing optimal line size L
For the planner it is never optimal to choose $L > X$
- Equilibrium:
Line L and total capacity X are chosen identically ($L = X$)
The optimal industry configuration (first best) is implemented.



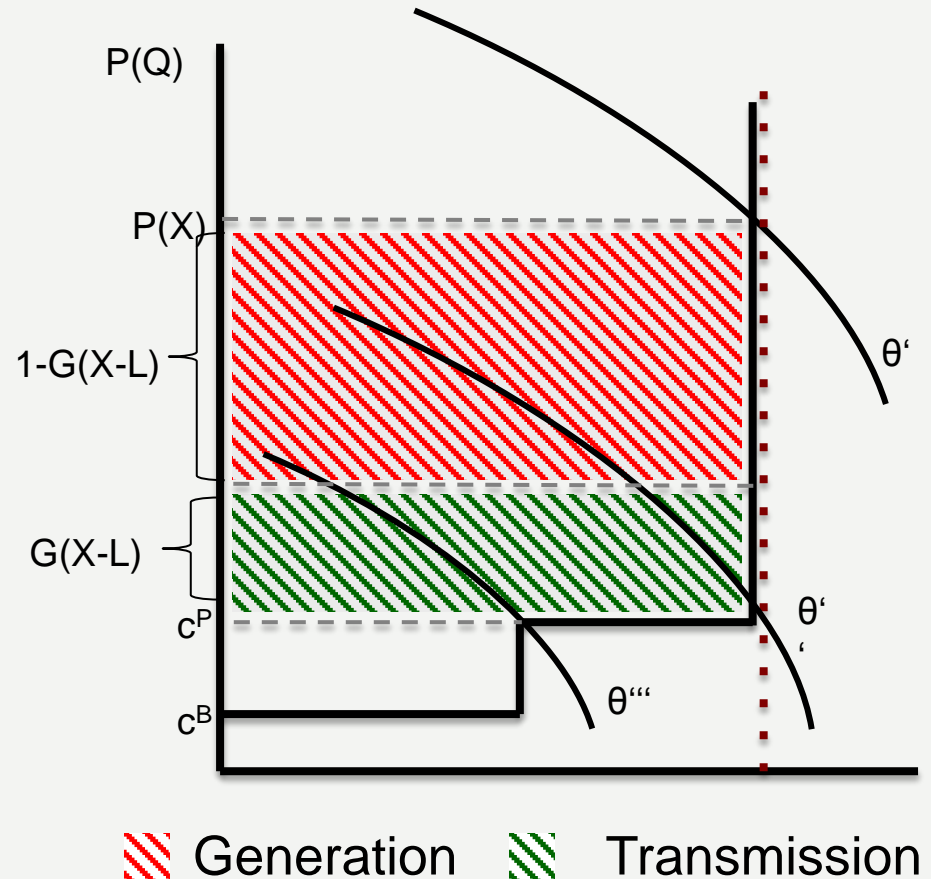
Main Result Nodal Pricing

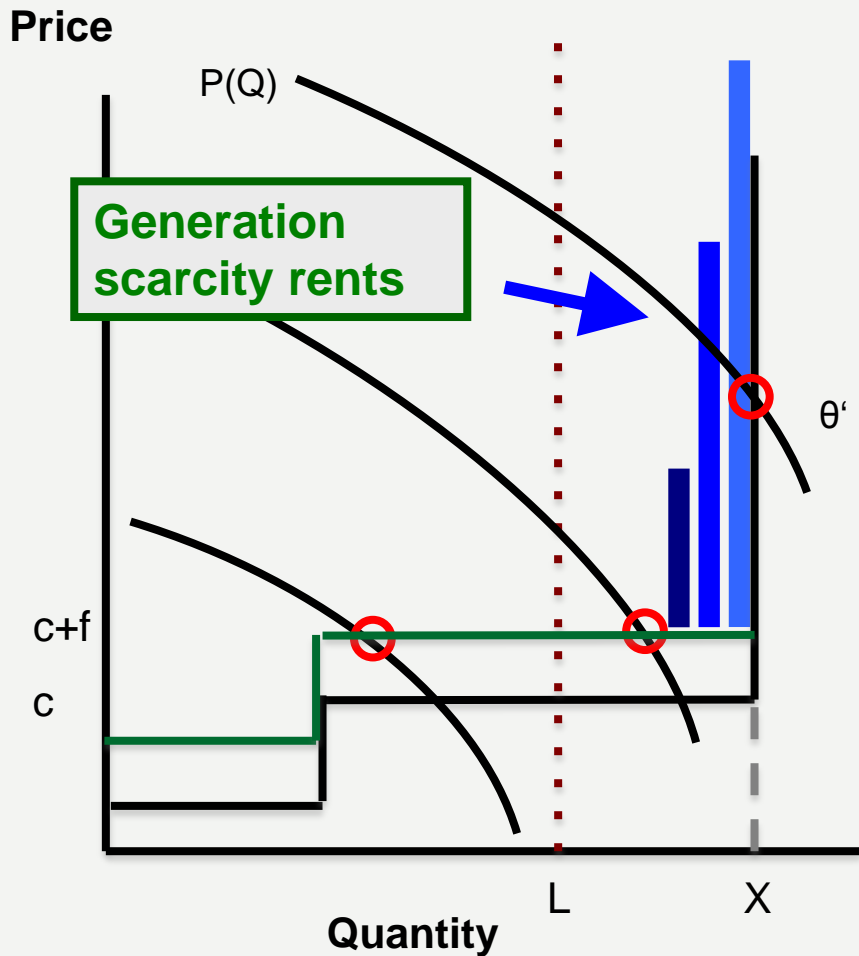
For the case of nodal pricing we establish:

- Investment in baseload and peakload generation facilities
- Investment in the Transmission line

As we show this implements the optimal market solution (first best).

Allocation of scarcity rents





- Choosing Total Investment X
The rents earned on the spot market are independent of the size of line L .
- Choosing optimal line size L
For the planner it is typically optimal to choose the line equal to total investment X .
- Equilibrium
Line L and total capacity X are chosen identically, both are larger than in the nodal pricing scenario, as we show!



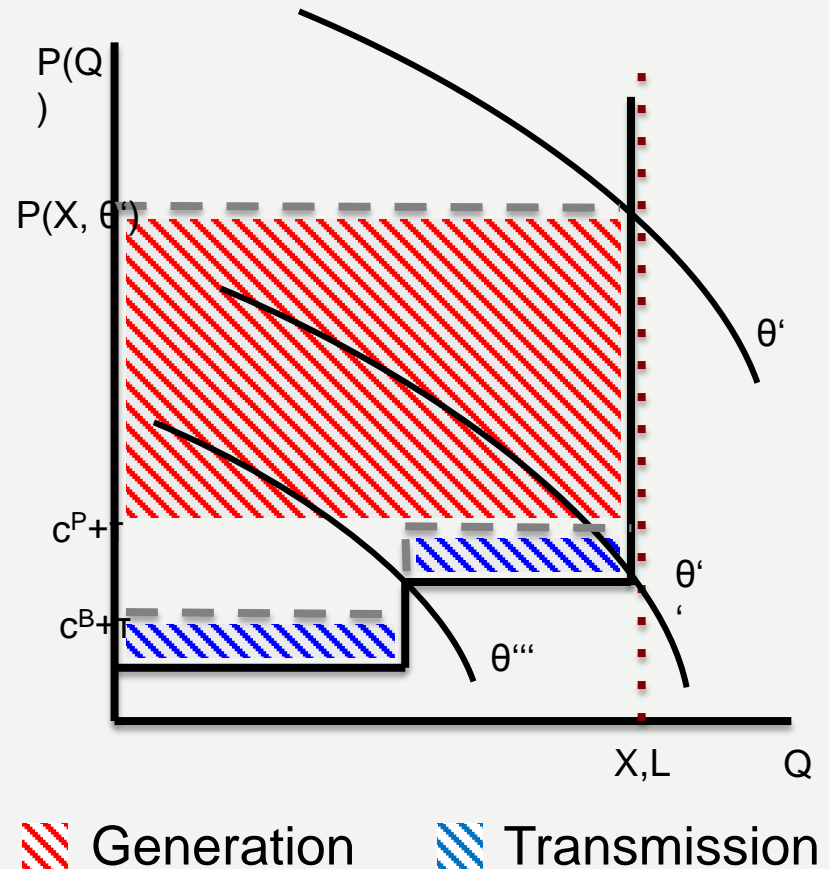
Main Result Uniform Pricing

Total investment in generation facilities and investment in the transmission line is strictly larger than under nodal pricing (and first best).

Redispatch system distorts the technology mix:

- more investment in peakload technology – earns money at the margin
- less baseload technology – earns money inframarginally

Allocation of scarcity rents





- A system with uniform pricing leads to overinvestment in total capacity as it shifts the financing of the network from the marginal units (where the money is) to the infra-marginal units (where no money is).
- No investor makes profits in expectation
- Market is always independently financed (differences in nodal prices and network fees respectively)
- But: consumers pay for this extra capacity (higher infra-marginal prices!)
- Capacity based transmission fees (instead of energy based) can help to ease the problem (Ex. UK)



- Framework: Planner chooses transmission line investment and competitive firms choose to invest in generation capacity
- Illustration of results in a two node network (also obtain for more complex networks)
- **Result:**
 - Total investment in generation as well as in transmission is larger in the redispatch regime than in the nodal pricing regime (+ distortion towards base technologies).
 - Put differently: Our results suggest that overall investment should decrease when switching from a redispatch system to a system of nodal pricing!
- Remark: Results do not imply that nodal pricing is bad, they just show that generation investment is larger under redispatch!



Thank you for the attentions

Workshop on **Long-term transmission rights**

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