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Balancing and Emission Minimisation of Gas Turbines

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Developing and deploying renewables in existing energy systems are pivotal in Europe's transition to net-zero emissions. In some of these systems, gas turbines (GTs) are central for balancing purposes. However, a hurdle in minimising emissions of GTs operating in combination with intermittent renewables arises from the reliance on unreliable meteorological forecasts. In this presentation, we present a hierarchical framework for decoupling this operational problem into a balancing and emissions minimisation problem. Balancing is ensured with a high-level stochastic balancing filter (SBF) based on data-driven stochastic grey-box models for the uncertain intermittent renewable. The filter utilises probabilistic forecasting and chance constraints to compute safe bounds, within which a proposed low-level economic predictive controller further minimises emissions of the GTs during operations. As GTs exhibit semi-continuous operating regions, complementarity constraints are utilised to fully exploit each GT's allowed operational range. The proposed method is validated in simulation for a gas-balanced hybrid renewable system with batteries, three GTs with varying capacities, and a wind farm, inspired by present plans on the Norwegian Continental Shelf.

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