

Motivation

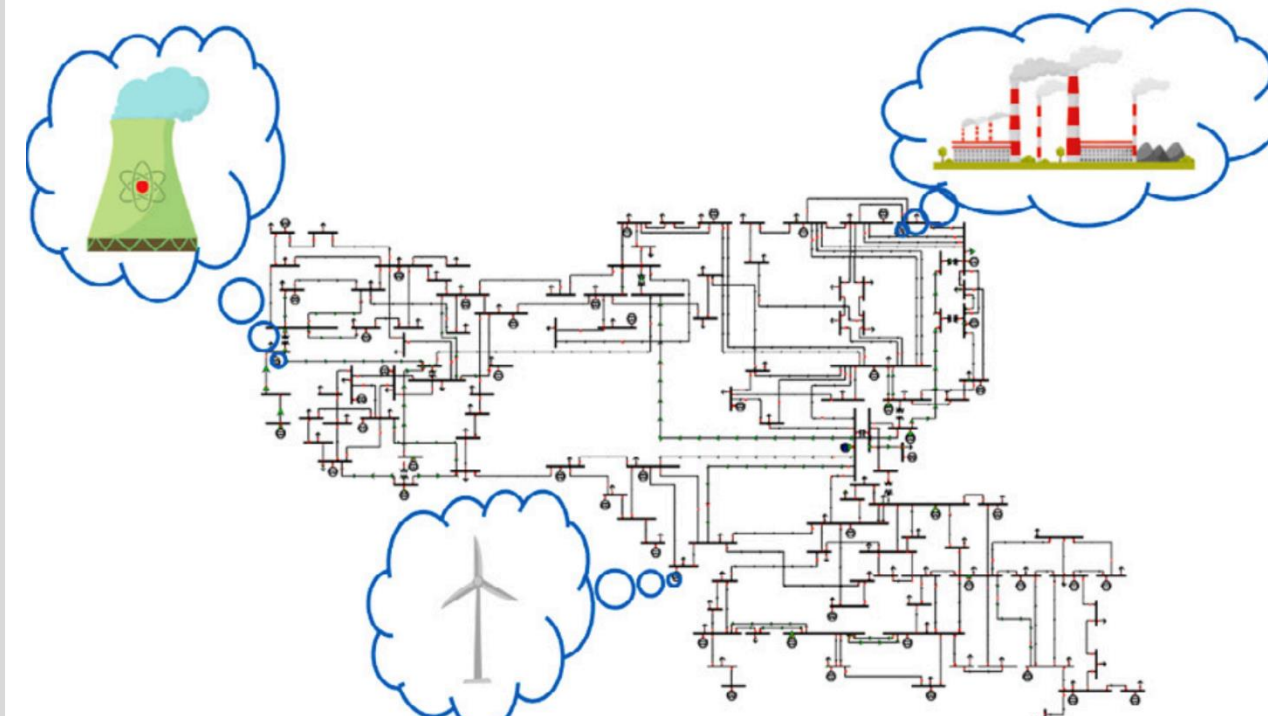
Installing and updating technologies within a grid need to be evaluated on:

1. Extent to which the grid is impacted by the energy system
2. Flexibility of the energy system to respond to market signals

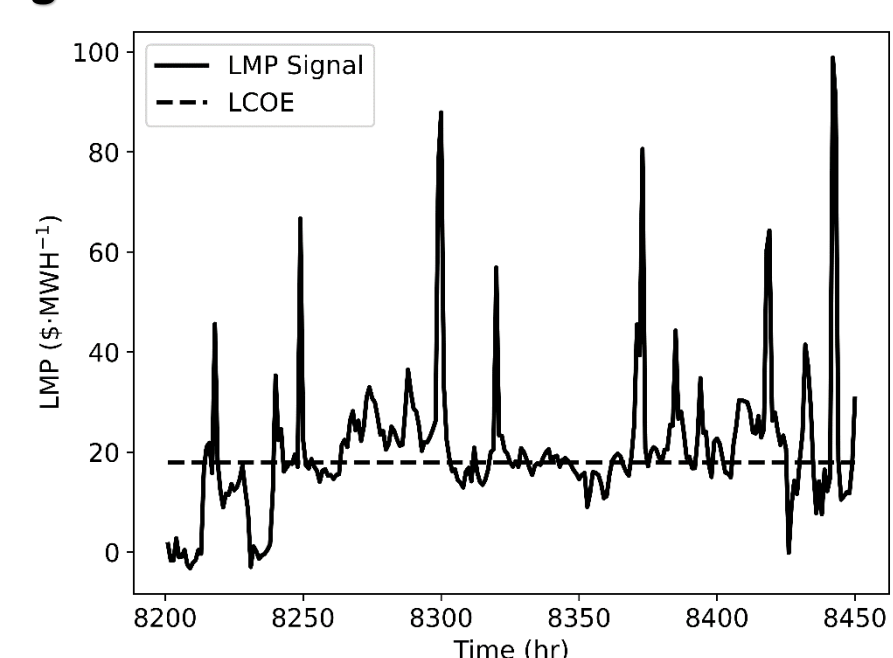
Traditional technology evaluation uses leveled cost, ignoring grid dynamics

Price-taker considers dynamics, but ignores grid impact from participation

We developed a tool to automate price-taker optimization using IDAES for more robust technology evaluation in specific markets than LCOE



Above figure from Gao et al. 2022¹



Price-Taker Model Components

Profit expressions at each time period

$$f_t^{\text{profit}} = \pi_t^e p_t - \frac{\pi_t^g}{\pi_t^g} f^{\text{fuel}}(p_t) - f^{\text{var}}(p_t) - \pi_t^c f^{\text{carbon}}(p_t) - f_t^{\text{fixed}}(P^{\text{max}}) \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

Capacity Constraints

$$P^{\text{min}} y_t \leq P_t \leq P^{\text{max}} y_t \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

Ramping Constraints

$$\frac{(P_t - P_{t-1})}{P^{\text{max}}} \leq (r_{\text{su}} - r_{\text{op,u}}) v_t + r_{\text{op,u}} y_t \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$\frac{(P_{t-1} - P_t)}{P^{\text{max}}} \leq r_{\text{sd}} w_t + r_{\text{op,d}} y_t \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

Startup and Shutdown Constraints

$$y_t \leq z_{\text{build}} \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \sum_{t-\tau^d+1}^t w_j = (1 - y_t) \quad \{t | t > \tau^d\}$$

$$\sum_{t-\tau^u+1}^t v_j = y_t \quad \{t | t > \tau^u\} \quad y_t - y_{t-1} = v_t - w_t \quad \{t | t > 1\}$$

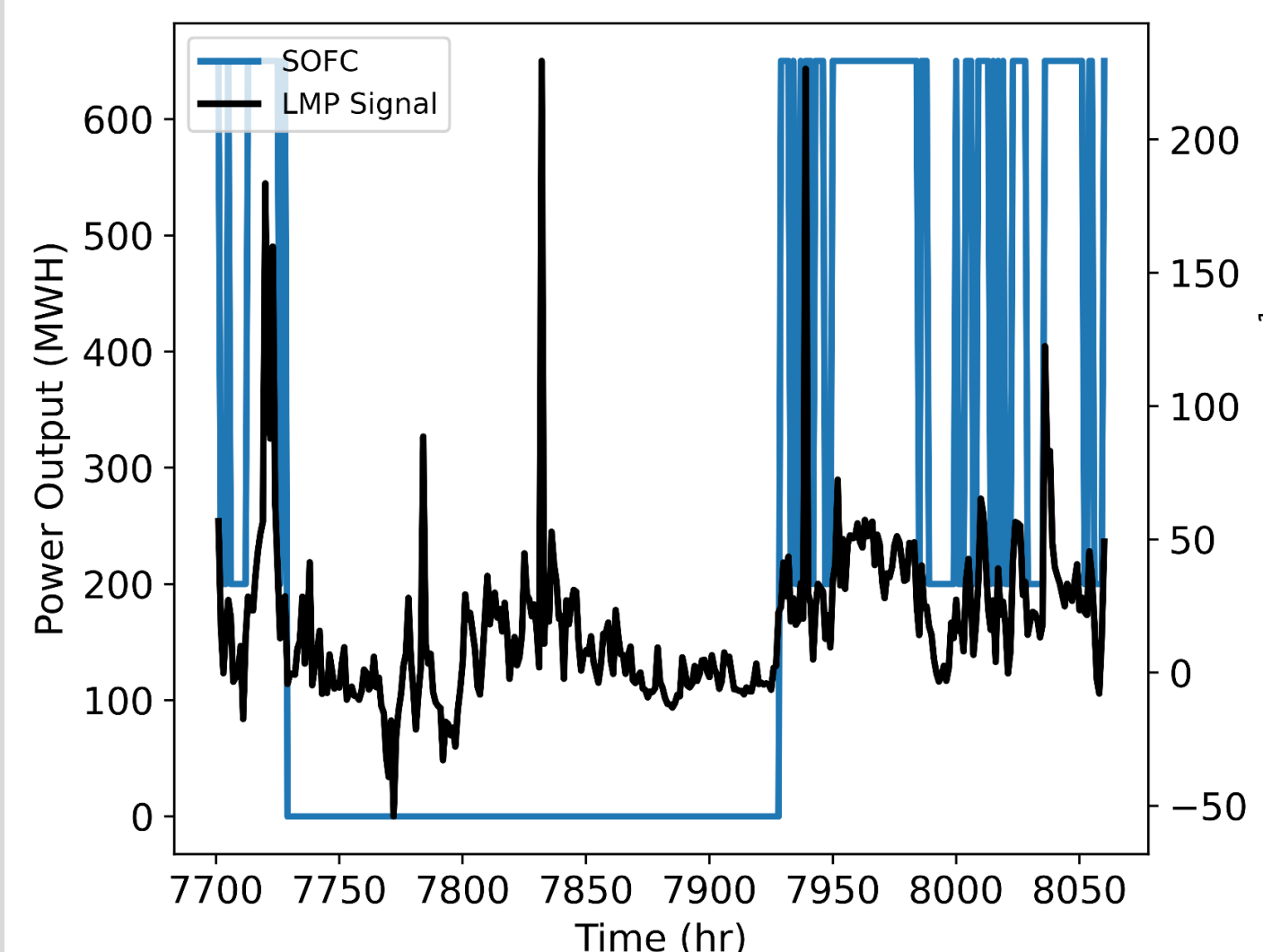
Objective options: NPV, Annualized NPV, Net Profit

Variable Definitions

P^{max} : maximum power output	f_t^{profit} : profit at time t
y_t : operating binary variable (on = 1, off = 0) at time t	t : time period
r_{su} : startup ramp rate	\mathcal{T} : pset of all time periods t
r_{sd} : shutdown ramp rate	π_t^e : LMP price at time t
$r_{\text{op,u}}$: operating ramp rate up	P_t : power output at time t
$r_{\text{op,d}}$: operating ramp rate down	π_t^g : current price of natural gas
v_t : startup binary variable (yes = 1, no = 0) at time t	$\tilde{\pi}_t^g$: price of natural gas when f^{fuel} was fit
w_t : shutdown binary variable (yes = 1, no = 0) at time t	f^{fuel} : measurement response variable
τ^u : startup binary variable (yes = 1, no = 0) at time t	f^{fuel} : measurement response variable
τ^d : shutdown binary variable (yes = 1, no = 0) at time t	π_t^c : carbon tax
z_{build} : design binary variable (build = 1, not = 0) at time t	f^{carbon} : carbon generation at time t
	f_t^{fixed} : fixed cost at time t

Price-Taker Operational Output

Goal: Optimize the operating schedule of a candidate technology, solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC), in a potential market, NYISO 2022



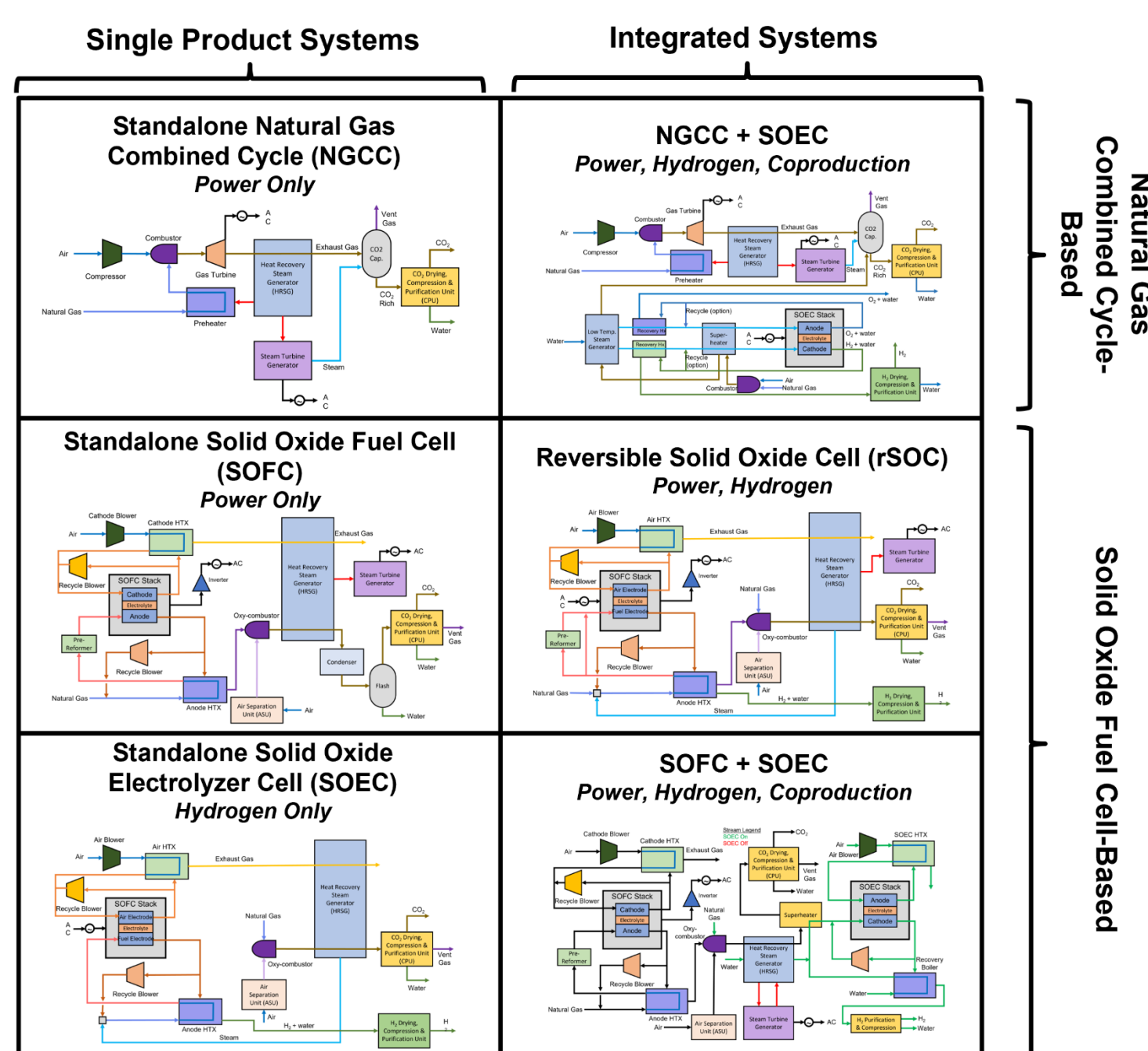
NYISO 2022 Conditions

Min uptime	24 hours
Min downtime	36 hours
Startup Cost	\$162,015
Shutdown Cost	\$89,330

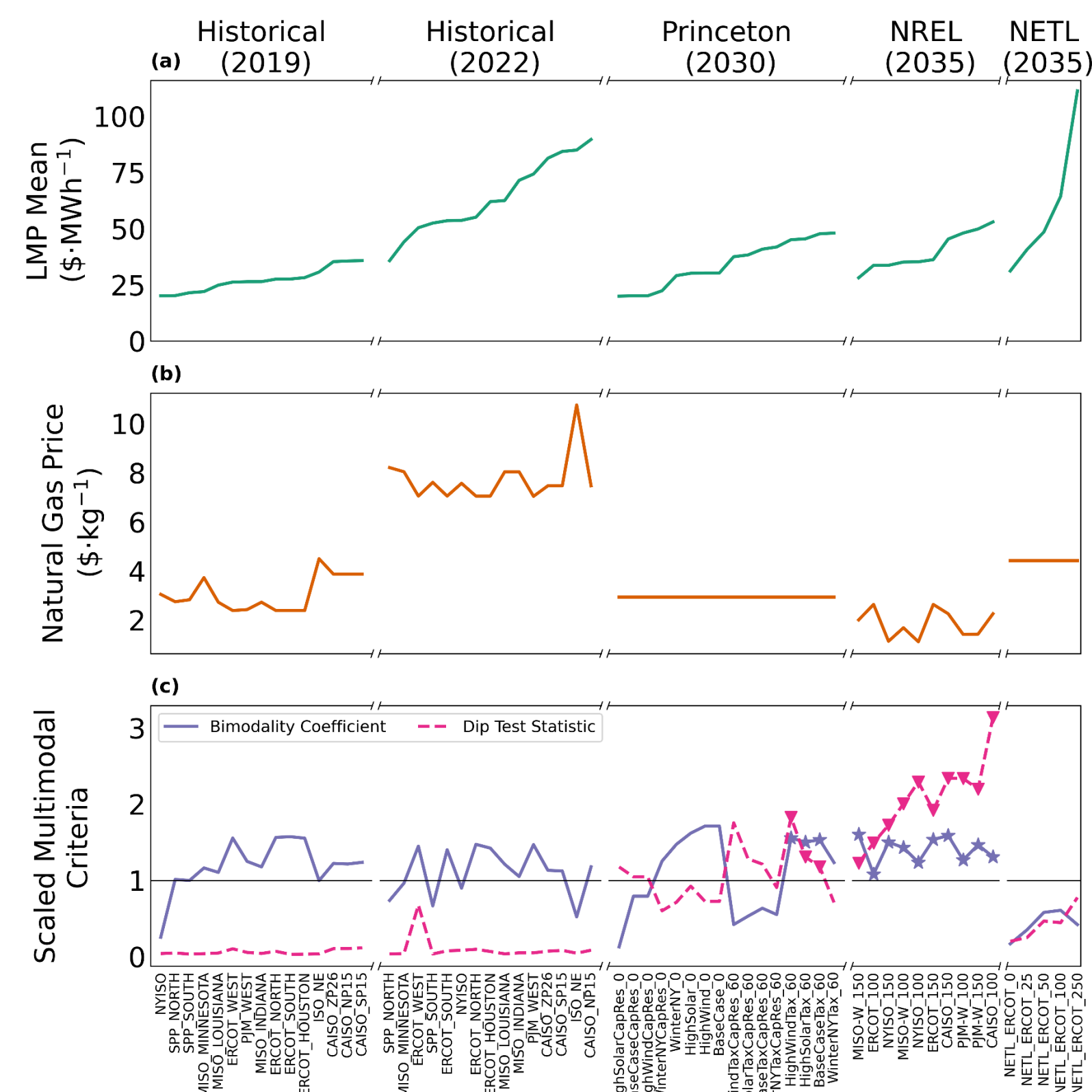
NYISO 2022 Results

Profit	72.01M\$
Capacity Factor	0.801

Price-Taker Evaluates Coproduction Technologies



Goal: Evaluate solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC) and solid oxide electrolysis cell (SOEC) technologies against existing technology, natural gas combined cycle (NGCC), in many market scenarios including hydrogen coproduction.



61 markets analyzed

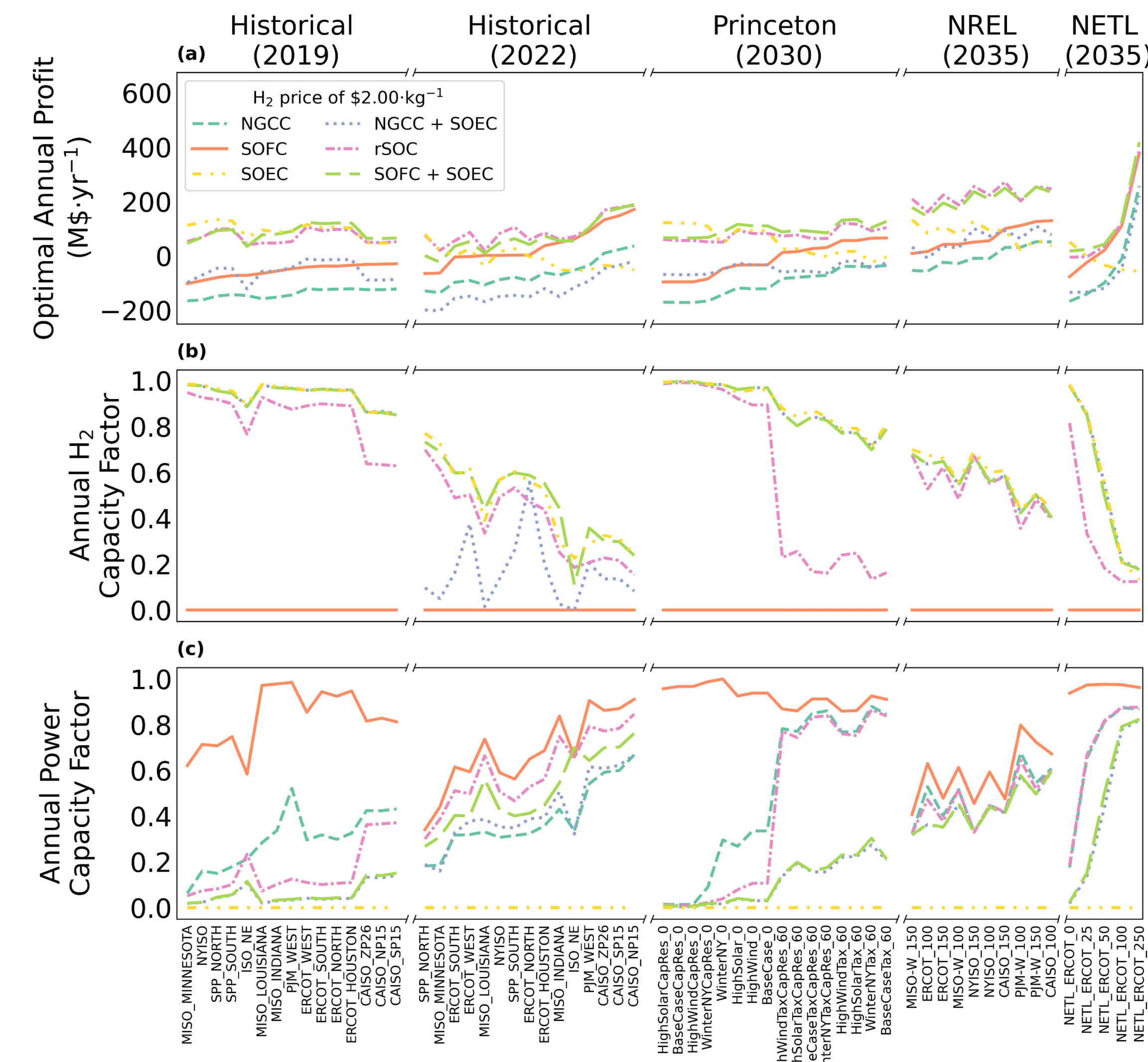
Historical², Current², and projected^{3,4,5} market scenarios

Projected scenarios^{3,4,5} include carbon tax and higher renewable energy penetration

Some markets exhibit multimodal price distributions

Figure from [5]

Solid Oxide Based Technologies are Promising⁵



- Multimarket Analysis**
1. SOFC outperforms NGCC in every market analyzed
 2. Solid oxide coproduction systems (rSOC and SOFC+SOEC) are the most profitable technology in over 75% of markets analyzed
 3. Coproduction systems (rSOC, SOFC+SOEC, and NGCC+SOEC) greatly benefit from multimodal price markets
 - Cheap electricity → Produce H₂
 - Expensive electricity → Produce Electricity

Figure from [5]

Conclusions and Future Work

1. Price taker model generalized and implemented in IDAES workflow
2. Easy to compare markets and technologies with an automated model-building tool
3. Plan to extend model components and consider modification to price-taker that will better approximate impact of selling power on market in the future

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