

Applications of Complementarity-Based Models of Transmission-Constrained Power Markets: B-NL Market Integration & Power-NOx Market Interactions in PJM

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Specific Questions:

- *What are the benefits of Belgian-Dutch power market integration?*
 - *Methodology: COMPETES (a LCP Cournot model of transmission-constrained markets)*
 - *Effect of inefficient transmission & arbitrage*
- *What strategies might generators use to exploit the interaction of electric power and NO_x markets?*
 - *Methodology: MPEC Stackelberg model of NO_x and power markets (transmission constrained)*
 - *Demonstrates ability to solve large scale (~20,000 variable) MPECs*

Computational Approach: Direct Solution of Equilibrium Conditions

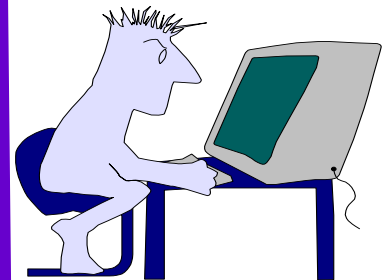
Producer A

Choose gen &
sales to
maximize profit
s.t. capacity
 \Rightarrow 1st order
conditions



Producer B

Choose gen &
sales to
maximize profit
s.t. capacity
 \Rightarrow 1st order
conditions



ISO: Choose Transmission Flows to Max Value of Network
s.t. transmission constraints \Rightarrow 1st order conditions

Consumers: Max Value - Expenditures (Demand Curve)

Market Clearing Conditions

1. Derive first-order conditions for each player
2. Impose market clearing conditions
3. Solve resulting system of conditions (*complementarity problem*)
using PATH

B-NL Analysis

COMPETES Market Structure

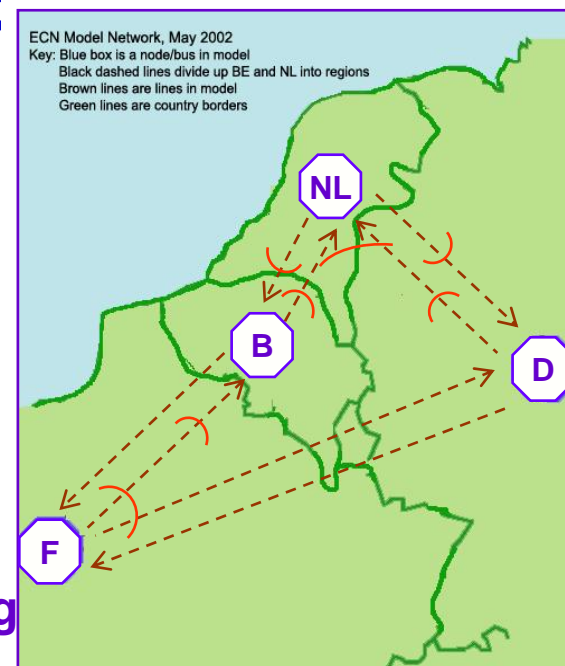
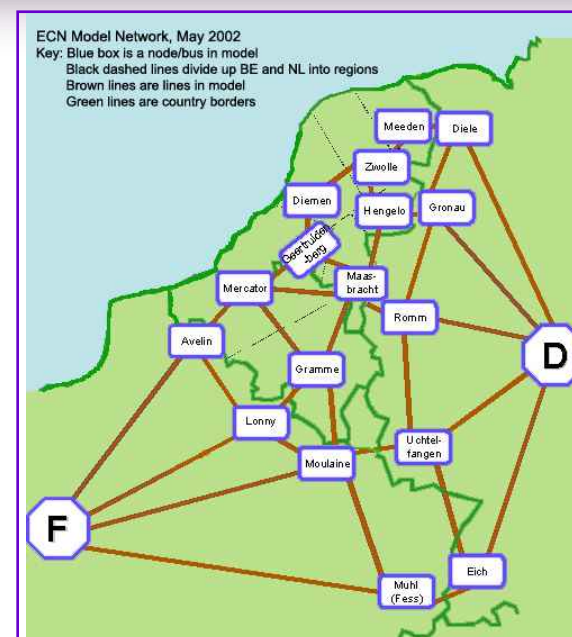
- Cournot generators compete in bilateral market
- Competitive arbitragers in some markets
- Two transmission pricing systems:

–Physical network

- Linearized DC load flow
- Several nodes per country

–Path-based representation

- One node per country → one market price per country
- Interfaces defined between countries
- Crediting for counterflows (netting vs. no-netting)



COMPETES

Inputs

- **Demand**
 - 12 periods → 3 seasons, 4 load periods
 - Allocated to the nodes
- **Generation**
 - 15 large power generating companies
 - 4 NL, 1 B, 2 F, 8 G
 - Plus competitive fringe
 - 5272 generating units
 - MC based on heat rate and fuel type

Congestion management B ↔ NL

Current Auction System

- Yearly, monthly, daily
- Available capacity for auction [www.tso-auction.nl]
 - B - NL: 1150 MW
 - Germany - NL: 2200 MW
- Total import capacity to NL ≤ 400 MW per party
- Price set by lowest accepted bid
- Daily auction takes place before APX settles

Congestion management B \leftrightarrow NL

Proposal for market integration

- **Single market**
 - One market price
 - TSO responsible for re-dispatch
 - Payments for constrained-off or -on
- **Market Coupling (Splitting)**
 - Similar to the NordPool
 - If Congestion: two separate market prices

Effects of Market Coupling

Differences relative to current situation

1) Increased market access into Belgium

- For (foreign) Generators and
- For Traders → Introduce arbitrage

2) Netting of transmission capacity

3) Efficient co-ordination of 'Auction' and APX

Effects of Market Coupling

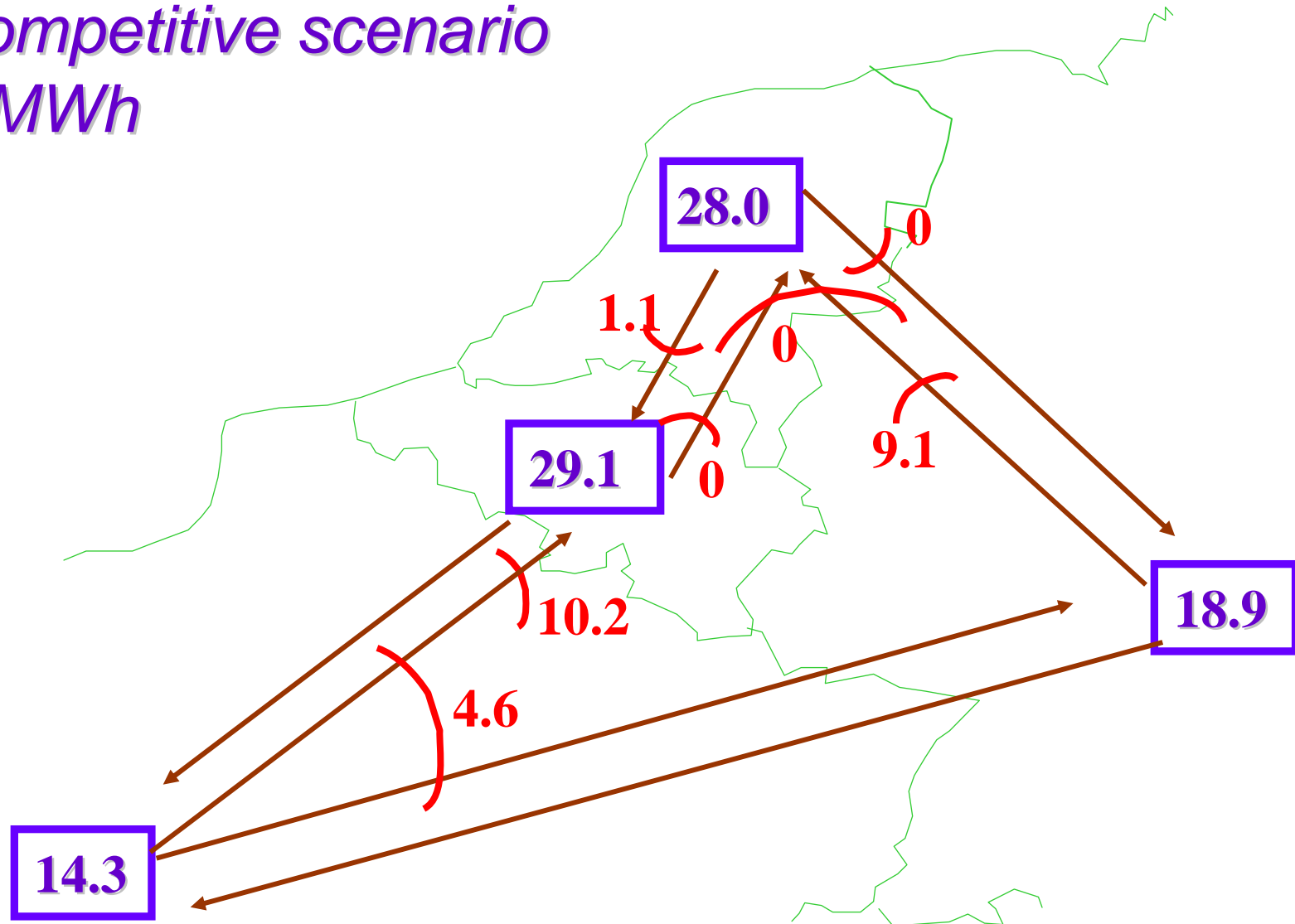
Definition of scenarios

		Import cap on firms			Import cap on arbitrageurs			Netting
		B → NL	NL → B	NL → B Electrabel	B → NL	NL → B	G ↔ NL	
Competitive		No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit	No limit	Yes
C O U R N O T	Current situation	400	0	950	0	200	No limit	No
	Market splitting	None*	None*	None*	No limit	No limit	No limit	B ↔ NL

Model results

Competitive scenario

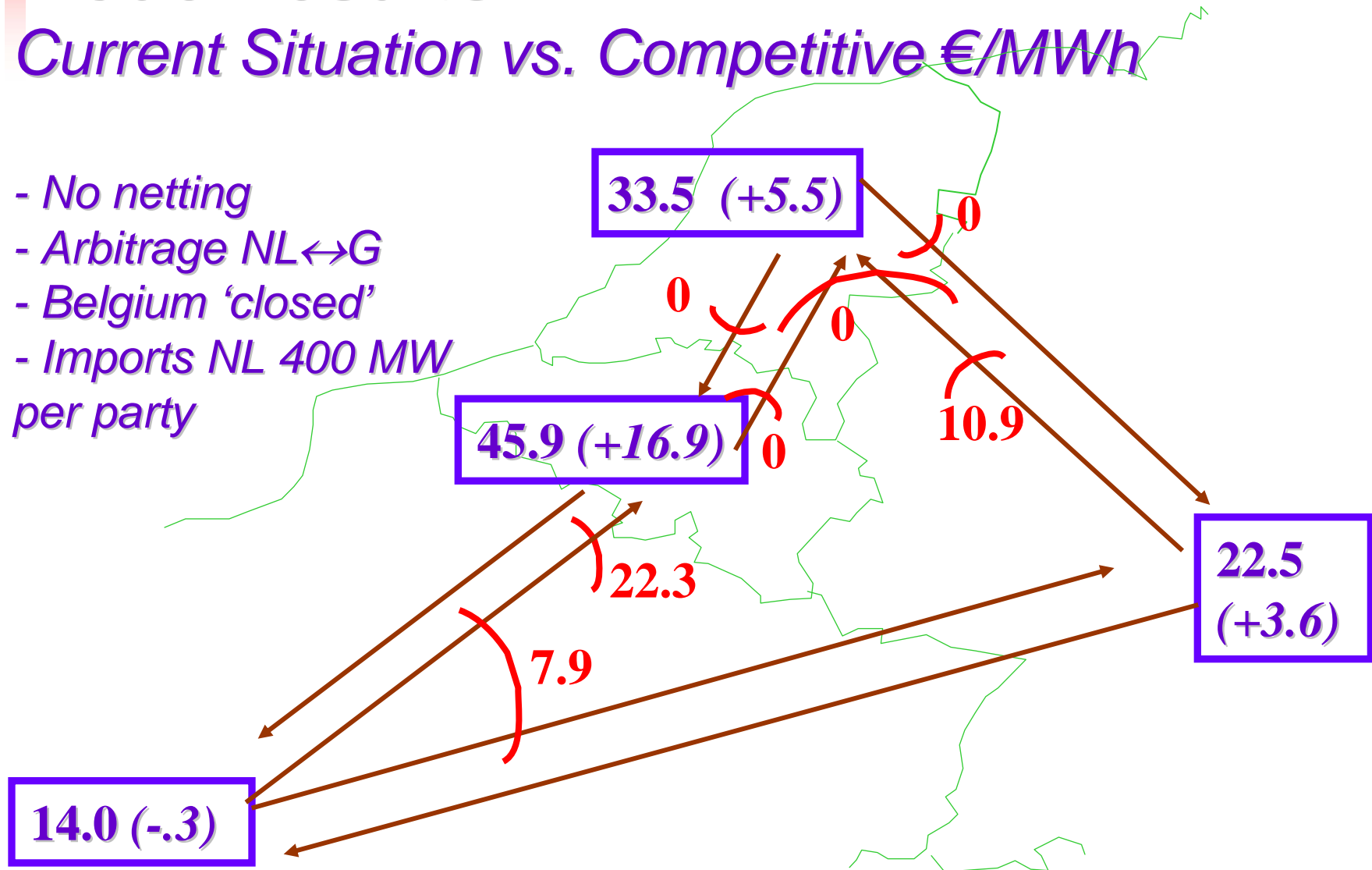
€/MWh



Model results

Current Situation vs. Competitive €/MWh

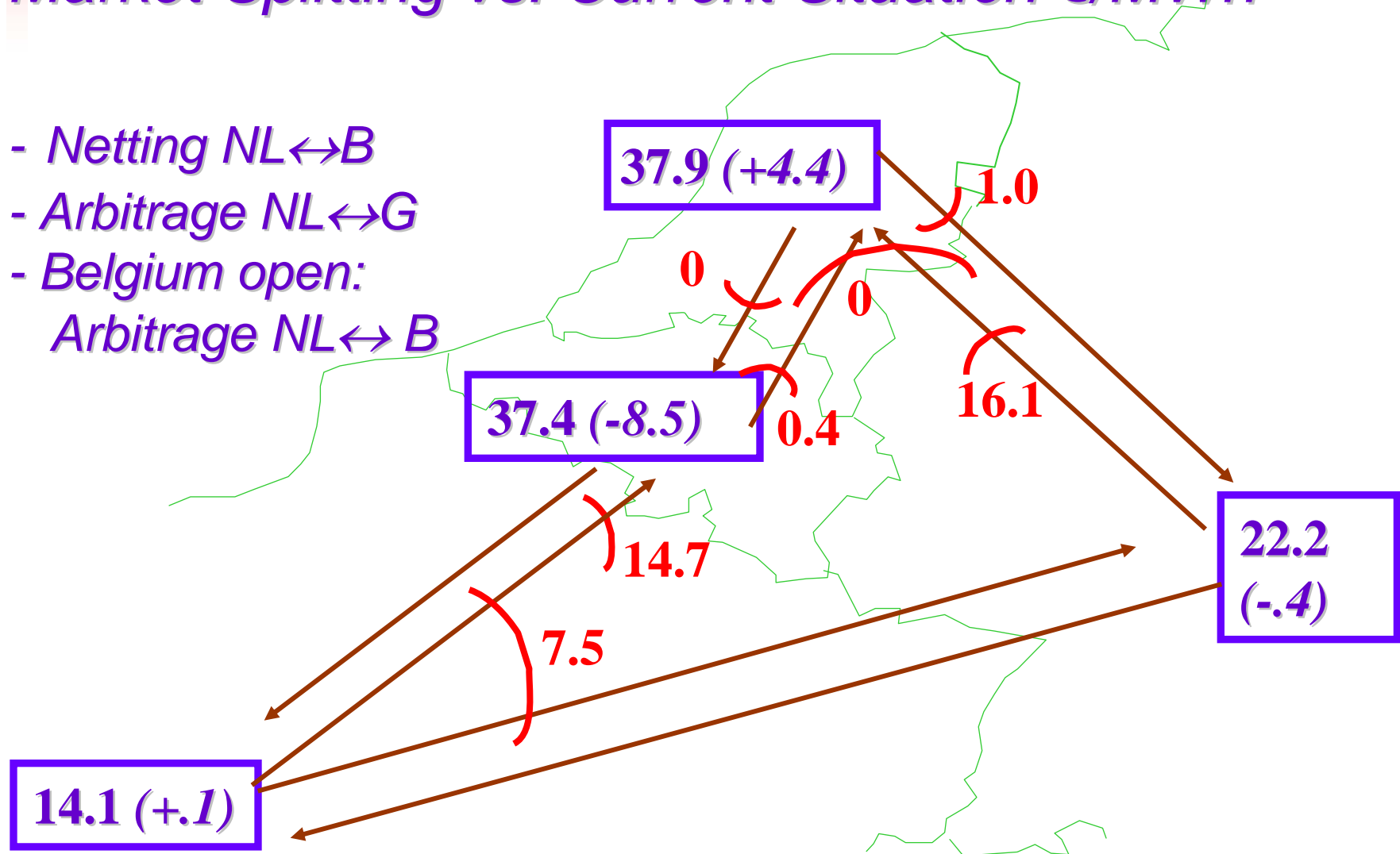
- No netting
- Arbitrage NL↔G
- Belgium 'closed'
- Imports NL 400 MW per party



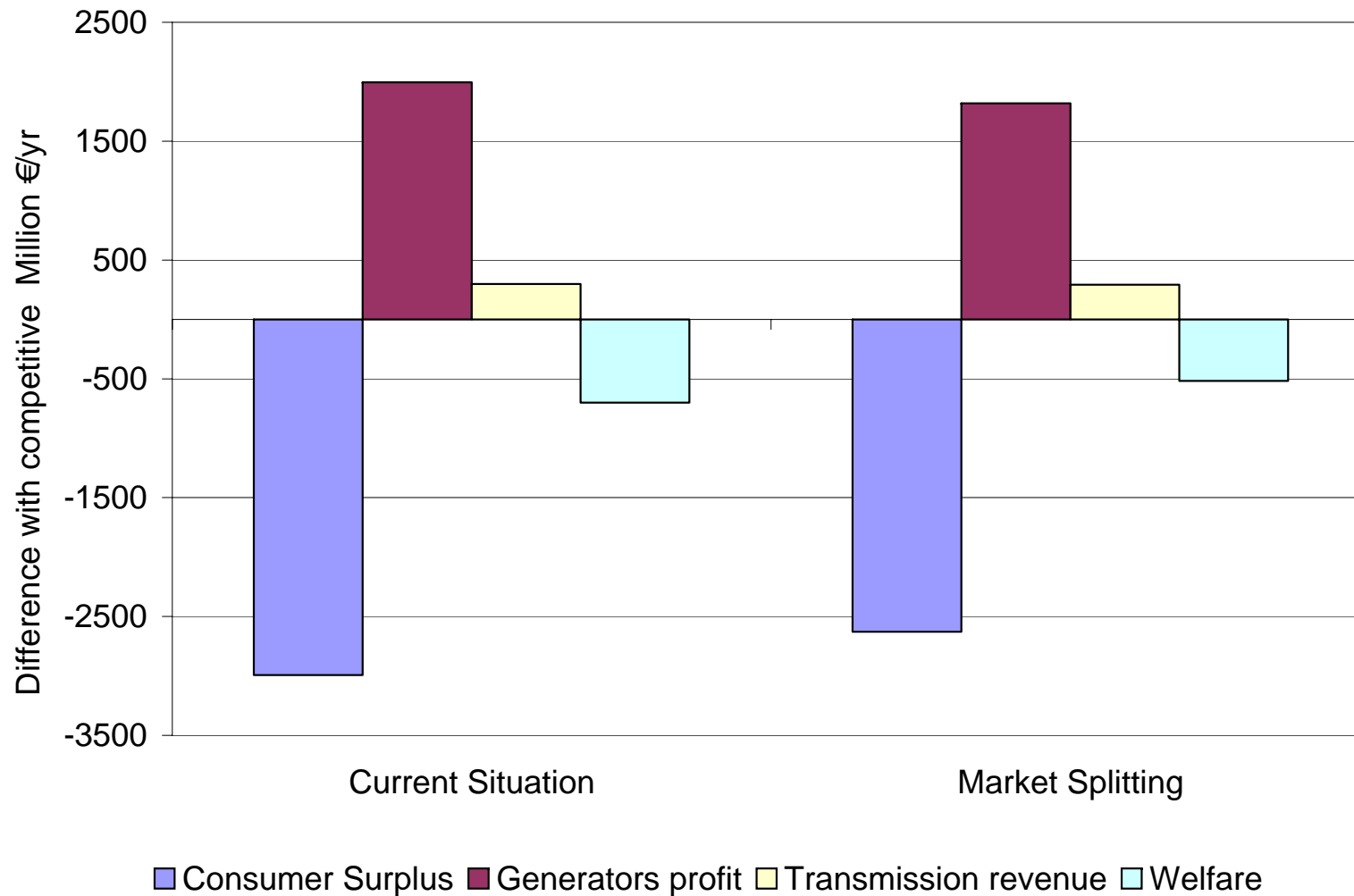
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Market Splitting vs. Current Situation €/MWh

- Netting NL \leftrightarrow B
- Arbitrage NL \leftrightarrow G
- Belgium open:
Arbitrage NL \leftrightarrow B



Welfare Compared to Perfect Competition

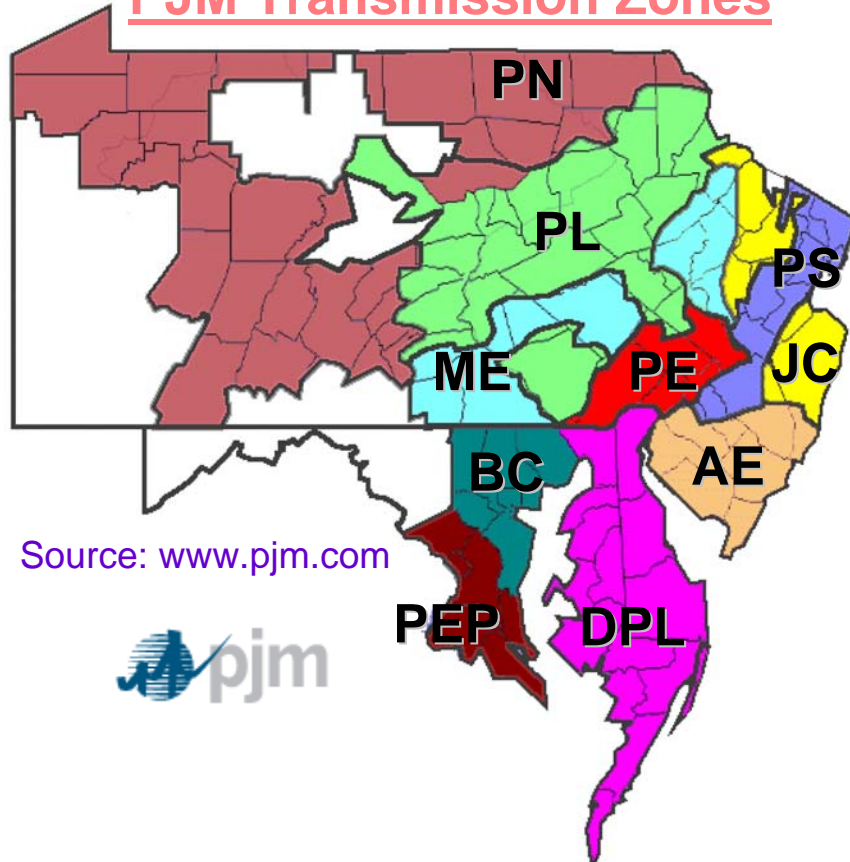


Effects of Market Coupling

- **Market Coupling affects prices, increases welfare (+ 182 M€/yr more than current)**
 - Induced by lower prices in Belgium
 - Increased welfare is mainly in Belgium
- **What is “in it” for the Netherlands?**
 - Profits Dutch generators increase
 - But consumer surplus decreases more

PJM Power Market & USEPA NO_x Program Analysis

PJM Transmission Zones



Source: www.pjm.com



Can the NO_x market be profitably manipulated by a large generator who is long on allowances?

PJM Market

- Peak Load 50,000 MW
- Average Load-weighted Price - 30.7 \$/MWh

USEPA NO_x Program

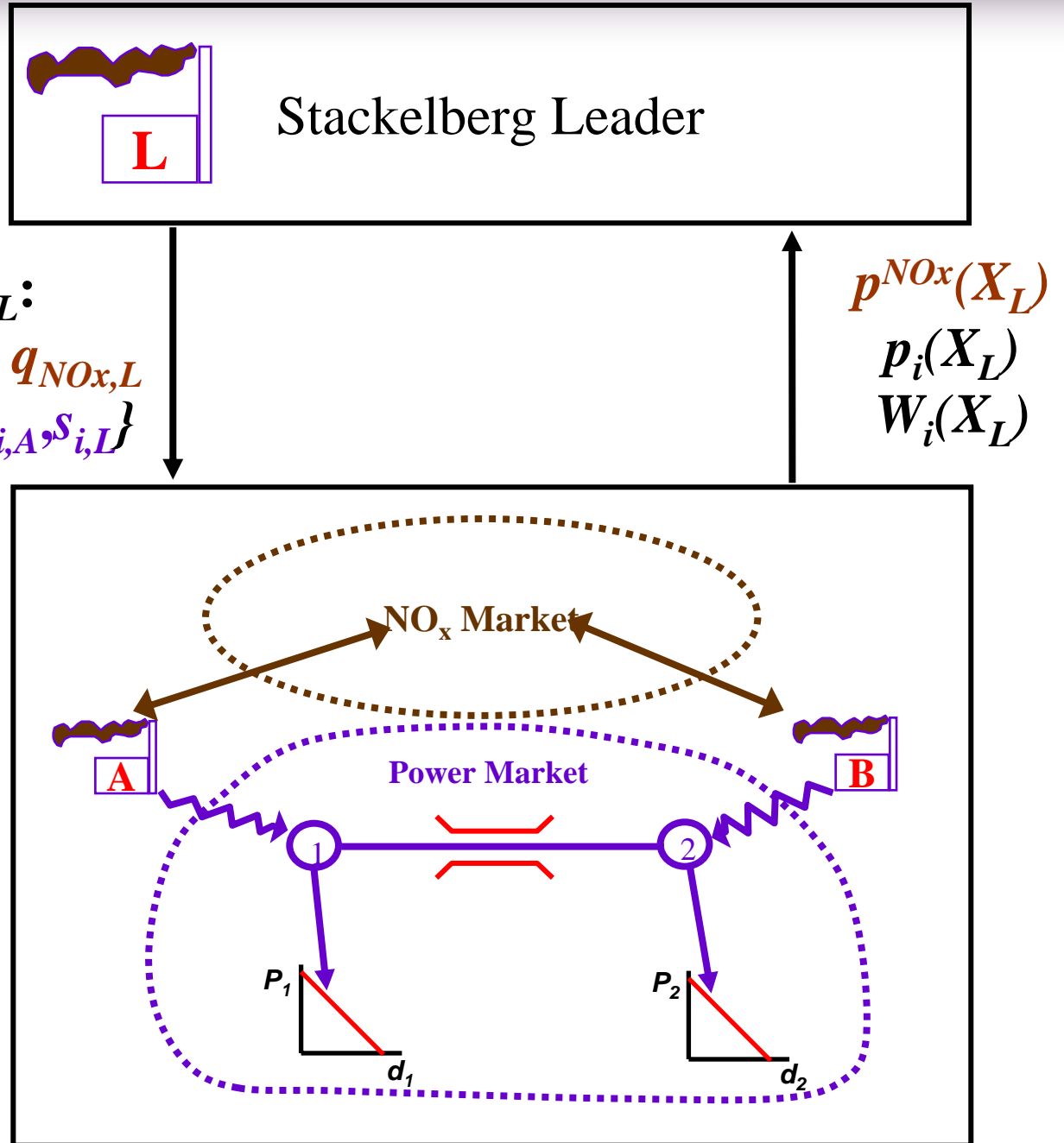
- Cap-and-Trade
- 9 states participated in 2000
- Total Allowances: 195,401 tons

Model Assumptions

- **Market structure**
 - *Generators compete to sign bilateral contracts*
 - *ISO provides transmission services between nodes*
- **Network**
 - *500 kV network: 14 nodes, 18 arcs, no transmission losses*
 - *Linearized “DC” load flow approximation: Power Transfer Distribution Factors (PTDFs)*
- **Producers**
 - *791 generation units*
 - *6 largest producers (capacity share: 4% to 18%)*
 - *Largest is Stackelberg leader*
 - *Others:*
 - *Cournot strategy in electricity market*
 - *Price taking in NO_x market*
 - *Remaining producers are price takers (3 producers)*
- **Consumers**
 - *Linear demand at each node*
 - *5 demand periods in ozone season*
- **ISO allocates transmission capacity to highest value**

Stackelberg Analysis

L's decisions X_L :
 {Allowance bought $q_{NOx,L}$
 Energy decisions $g_{i,A}, s_{i,L}$ }



Stackelberg Leader's Problem

- The firm with a longest position in NO_x market and greatest power sales is designated as the leader:

q^w = Stackelberg's NO_x withholding variable [tons]

$\bar{q}_f^{NO_x}$ = Firm's available NO_x allowances [tons]

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MAX}_{s_{if}, g_{if}, q^w} \sum_i \{ & [p_i(s_{if} + \sum_{g \neq f} s_{ig}) - W_i] s_{if} - [C_{if}(g_{if}) - W_i g_{if}] \\ & - p^{NO_x} [E_f^{NO_x} - (\bar{q}_f^{NO_x} - q^w)] \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{s.t.: } g_{if} \leq CAP_{if}, \forall i$$

$$\sum_i s_{if} = \sum_i g_{if}$$

$$s_{if}, g_{if} \geq 0, \forall i$$

$$0 \leq q^w \leq \bar{q}_f^{NO_x}$$

$$0 \leq p^{NO_x} \perp \sum_f (E_f^{NO_x} - \bar{q}_f^{NO_x}) + q^w \leq 0$$

- Other Producer Complementarity Equilibrium Conditions
- Market Clearing Conditions

ISO Optimization Problem

Quadratic Loss Functions

- ISO's decision variables:
 y_i = transmission service from hub to i
 q_i^{Losses} = generation purchases from node i (to make up losses)
 t_{ij} = positive flow from i to j
- ISO's maximizes the “value of services” :

$$MAX \quad \pi_{ISO}(t_{ij}, y_i, q_i^{Losses}) = \sum_i (W_i y_i - p_i q_i^{Losses})$$

$$s.t.: y_i - q_i^{Losses} + \sum_{j \in J(i)} (t_{ij} - (1 - L_{ji} t_{ji}) t_{ji}) \leq 0, \quad \forall i \quad \text{Kirchhoff's Current Law}$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in v(k)} R_{ij} (t_{ij} - t_{ji}) = 0, \quad \forall k, (i, j) \in v(k) \quad \text{Kirchhoff's Voltage Law}$$

$$\sum_i y_i = 0 \quad \text{Services Balance}$$

$$0 \leq t_{ij} \leq T_{ij}, \quad \forall i, j \quad T_{ij} = \text{capacity of line } (i,j)$$

$$q_i^{Losses} \geq 0, \quad \forall i$$

- Solution allocates transmission capacity to most valuable transactions
- Define the model's KKTs (complementarity conditions), one per variable \underline{x}_{ISO}

Model Statistics

- **18,618 variables; 9739 constraints**
 - Order of magnitude larger than test problems in R. Fletcher and S. Leyffer, “Numerical Experience with Solving MPECs as NLPs,” Univ. of Dundee, 2002
- **Solved by PATH and SQP (SNOPT, FILTER)**
(Thanks to Todd Munson & Sven Leyffer!)
- **9,536 seconds (1.8 MHz Pentium 4)**
 - Other MPECs took much less time

Stackelberg Results

Compared to the Cournot Case:

- **Stackelberg leader:**
 - withholds **5,536** tons of allowances (**7.2%** of total)
 - ... increasing NO_x price from 0 to 1,173 [\$/ton]
- **Output:**
 - other producers shrink their power sales (**87.4**→**83.5** $\times 10^6$ MWh) due to increased NO_x price
 - ... while the leader expands its output (**24.6**→**28.7** $\times 10^6$ MWh)
- **Profit:**
 - Stackelberg leader earns more profit (**893** → **970** M\$)
 - ... at the expense of other producers (**2394** → **2273** M\$)
- **Consumers:**
 - are only marginally better off with a gain of **14** [M\$] in consumer surplus, as power prices almost unchanged

Conclusions

- *Detailed market representations make possible:*
 - *a variety of welfare and efficiency analyses,*
 - *insights on player strategies,*
 - *detailed distributions of impacts of policy*
- *B-NL analysis shows how models can quantify benefits of improving market efficiency*
- *Large scale Stackelberg models can be solved*
 - *Nonlinear (lossy) DC load flow*
 - *Leader maximizes subject to Cournot/fringe market equilibrium*
 - *Manipulating allowances market is profitable*