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# Two-stage Robust-Stochastic Electricity Market Clearing Considering Mobile Energy Storage in Rail transportation

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**ABSTRACT** This paper proposes a two-stage robust-stochastic framework to assess the effect of the battery-based energy storage transport (BEST) system in the day-ahead market-clearing model. The model integrates an energy day-ahead market-clearing process with a vehicle routing problem, where a time-space network is used to describe the limitations of the rail transport network (RTN). Likewise, a price-sensitive shiftable demand bidding approach is applied to increase the flexibility of the power grid operation and reduce carbon emissions in the system. The main objective of the proposed model is to determine the optimal hourly location, charge/discharge scheduling of the BEST system, power dispatch of thermal units, flexible loads scheduling and finding the locational marginal price (LMP) considering the daily carbon emission limit of the thermal units. The proposed two-stage hybrid framework allows the market operator to differentiate between the risk level of all existing uncertainties and achieve a more flexible decision-making model. The operator can modify the conservatism degree of the market-clearing using a non-probabilistic method based on info-gap decision theory (IGDT) to reduce the effect of wind power fluctuations in real-time. In contrast, A risk-neutral-based stochastic technique is used to meet power demand uncertainty in the system technique. The results of the proposed mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem can confirm the potential of BEST and price-sensitive shiftable demand in decreasing the LMP, line congestion, carbon emission, and daily operation cost.

**INDEX TERMS** Battery-based energy storage transport, demand side-management, rail transport network, day-ahead market clearing, hybrid optimization technique, wind energy.

## NOMENCLATURE

Index			
$bl$	Index of demand blocks	$W$	Number of second stage scenarios
$b, b'$	Index of buses	$TR$	Number of trains
$i$	Index of thermal units	$TS$	Number of time-spaces
$j$	Index of load	$wp$	Index of wind turbine
$k, n$	Index of train station	$A$	Set of arcs related to time-space in RTN
$m$	Index for generation blocks	$A_k^-$	Set of arcs in a time-space network which end at station k.
$t$	Index of times	$A_k^+$	Set of arcs in a time-space network which start from station k.
$ts$	Index of time-space	$U_b$	Set of thermal units connected to bus $b$
$tr$	Index of trains	$WP_b$	Set of wind turbine connected to bus $b$
$w$	Index of scenario in the second stage	$TR_b$	Set of trains connected to bus $b$
Constant			
$BL$	Number of demand blocks	$J_b$	Set of electrical load connected to bus $b$
$M$	Number of generation blocks	$C_{tr}$	The transport cost of train $tr$
$N$	Number of thermal units	$C_{tr}^{ch}$	Operation cost of trains during charging mode
$NJ$	Number of loads		
$T$	Number of time intervals		

$C_{tr}^{dis}$	Operation cost of trains during charging mode
$voll_{j,t}$	Value of loss load $j$ at time $t$
$P_{i,m}^{min} / P_{i,m}^{max}$	Minimum/ maximum power generated by unit $i$
$MDT_i / MUT_i$	Minimum down/ up time of thermal unit $i$
$C_i^{SU} / C_i^{SD}$	Start-up/ shut-down cost of thermal unit $i$
$R_i^{down} / R_i^{up}$	Ramp-down/ up of thermal unit $i$
$P_{tr}^{ch,min} / P_{tr}^{ch,max}$	Minimum/ maximum power charged by train $tr$
$P_{tr}^{dis,min} / P_{tr}^{dis,max}$	Minimum/ maximum power discharged by train $tr$
$\eta_{tr}^{ch} / \eta_{tr}^{dis}$	Charging/ discharging efficiency of train $tr$
$E_{tr}^{min} / E_{tr}^{max}$	Minimum/ maximum energy capacity in train $tr$
$E_{tr,0}$	Initial energy capacity of train $tr$
$dr_{bl,j}^{max}$	Maximum demand block
$d_j^{down} / d_j^{up}$	Ramp down/up rate for demand at consecutive time intervals
$X_{b,b'}$	Line reactance between buses $b$ and $b'$
$PX_{Line}^{max}$	Maximum power capacity of transmission line
$EC$	Maximum allowable daily emission pollution
$\gamma$	Load factor participation in $DR$
<b>Variable</b>	
$SF$	Social welfare
$dr_{bl,j,t}$	Demand block $bl$ for load $j$ at time $t$
$Bid_{bl,j}$	Supplied demand of load $j$ at block $bl$
$MC_{i,t}$	Minimum marginal cost of thermal unit $i$
$P_{i,t}$	Power generated by unit $i$ at time $t$
$P_{i,t,w}$	Power generated by unit $i$ at time $t$ and scenario $w$
$P_{tr,t}^{ch} / P_{tr,t}^{dis}$	Power charged/ discharge value by train $tr$ at time $t$
$\pi_w$	Probability of scenario $w$
$Lsh_{j,t,w}$	Load shedding value for load $j$ at $t$ time and scenario $w$
$TU_{i,u} / TD_{i,u}$	Number of successive ON/ OFF hours of unit $i$
$SU_{i,t} / SD_{i,t}$	Start-up/shut-down cost of thermal unit $i$ at time $t$
$P_{tr,t}^{ch} / P_{tr,t}^{dis}$	Power charged/ discharged by train $tr$ at time $t$
$E_{tr,t}$	Energy capacity of train $tr$ at time $t$
$D_{j,t}$	Load demand $j$ magnitude at time $t$
$DR_{j,t}$	Supplied demand of load $j$ at time $t$ after implementation of $DR$
$FL_{j,t}$	Value of flexible load demand $j$ at time $t$
$P_{wp,t}$	The produced wind power in real-time dispatch

$\hat{P}_{wp,t}$	The forecasted wind power
$PX_{b,b',t}$	Power flow value crossing transmission line between buses $b$ and $b'$ at time $t$
$F^E(P_{i,t})$	Emission function of thermal unit $i$
$\delta_{b,t} / \delta_{b',t}$	Angle magnitude of bus $b$ and $b'$ at time $t$
$\Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w}$	Adjusted demand of load $j$ at time $t$ and scenario $w$
$\Delta P_{i,t,m,w}$	Adjusted power of unit $i$ in real-time dispatch at time $t$ and scenario $w$
$\Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{ch}$	Adjusted charge power of BEST at time $t$ and scenario $w$
$\Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{dis}$	Adjusted discharge power of BEST at time $t$ and scenario $w$
$\Theta_{j,t,w}$	Value of variable $\Theta \in \{D, DR, FL\}$ in second stage
$\Theta_{tr,t,w}$	Value of variable $\Theta \in \{E, P^{ch}, P^{dis}\}$ in second stage
$\Theta_{i,t,w}$	Value of variable $\Theta \in \{P\}$ in second stage
$\Theta_{b,t,w}$	Value of variable $\Theta \in \{PX, \delta\}$ in second stage
<b>Binary variable</b>	
$Y_{i,t} / Z_{i,t}$	Binary variable for ramp-up/ down unit $i$ at time $t$
$I_{i,t} / I_{i,t-1}$	Binary variable to denote the status of unit $i$ at time $t/t-1$
$I_{k,n,ts}$	Status of routes $k$ $n$ of train $tr$ at time span $ts$ .
$I_{tr,t}^{ch} / I_{tr,t}^{dis}$	Binary variable for charging/discharging mode of train $tr$ at time $t$

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. Overview

The total global capacity from onshore wind energy is projected to be about 1787 GW by 2030 [1]. The fast-growing installation of fluctuating wind energy has the sole aim of coping with global warming has introduced new challenges for example energy imbalance, power reliability and system security .. In addition Power fluctuations, is a significant obstacle that usually occurs in the renewable energy source (RES) development, especially in wind energy, by which the transfer of produced energy from wind farms to load centers through transmission lines causes disruption. However some limitations include high costs, and congestion of transmission lines in the system. A suitable solution to overcome such challenges is to use fast-response and flexible technologies in the power system. Energy storage systems (ESS) as pollution-free sources have attracted more attention to compensate for the fluctuation of wind energy [2]. Among all energy storage facilities, battery energy storage systems (BESS) with high efficiency, high power density, and rapid response time there is no specific geographic features that can be integrated with the high penetration of wind energy. One of

the most important features of BESS is the potential to move easily from place to place. The mobility of BESS through rail transport networks (RTN), while facilitating the participation of BESS in the energy markets, may also be a viable option for overcoming the issues related to wind energy transporting from wind farms to load centers throughout the power system. However they do not require the expansion of transmission lines [3]. Furthermore, the battery mobility via RTN gives out energy to the buses with relatively low congestion to demand the scheduling of expensive highly polluting thermal units.

Restructuring the power system and the power market has gained new emergence, that consistently provides, a competitive environment for both consumers and producers. RES and BESS are owned by different entities that are emerging in the energy market. Besides, there are enormous interests in utilizing demand response (DR) for important loads as another flexible alternative that enables consumer participation in competitive markets [4]. Although the emergence of flexible resources in the new market leads to numerous economic and environmental benefits, severely imposes on the security and reliability of power system including thermal units operation, unit commitment, power flow calculation, line congestion, and locational marginal prices, etc. Furthermore, integrating the RTN with the power system is seen as a suitable solution to ease the challenges of renewable-based systems should be thoroughly investigated. However, the development of an appropriate optimization approach to modelling a realistic type of integrated systems that helps incorporate emerging flexible sources from technical, economic, and environmental perspectives. Whilst tackling the unknown uncertainties, including wind power production and load demand, has been rarely studied in previous works and requires further investigations for future work.

## B. Literature review

The fluctuation in wind power output could impose adverse effects on the reliability and security of power systems. There are several studies in the literature that focuses on the integration of high penetration of wind energy into the power systems via multiple flexible resources. A two-stage framework to assess the capability of bulk energy storage (BES) integrated with wind energy was presented in [5]. First, the stochastic unit commitment (UC) problem considering wind uncertainty was formulated. Then, the solution from the UC problem is implemented to derive the optimal scheduling of energy storage in an economic dispatch. A stochastic day-ahead market-clearing model coordinated with BES, DR, and plug-in electric vehicles (PEVs) are used to cover the inflexibility gap due to the variability of wind energy was developed by [4]. The comprehensive proposed model shows the benefits of incorporating flexible sources from the independent system operator (ISO) to manage both reserve and energy markets. Authors in [6], developed a day-ahead market-clearing

model incorporated with emerging flexible resources including BESS, DR, and PEV to offer a flexible ramp, energy and reserve scheduling in the presence of wind energy. In [7], a security-constraint unit commitment (SCUC) problem was integrated with large-scale BESS RES (wind and solar) considering load uncertainty and degradation cost of BESS based on the MILP model was investigated. The techno-economic flexibility criterion is to provide high-level flexibility of conventional generation capturing two emerging resources, including BES and DR were developed in [8], where a new flexibility index was studied in the day-ahead market clearing problem. A multi-objective problem incorporating flexible sources such as DR, compressed air energy storage system, and PEV were developed in [9], where a two-stage stochastic framework was implemented to deal with the uncertainty of wind energy. The authors in [10], concentrated on the evaluation of ESS as a price-maker entity in the competitive market. The proposed problem was formulated as a mix-min problem to evaluate the effect of ESS from the ISO point of view based on the bi-level optimization framework. In [11], a novel BESS operational cost for participation in energy and reserve markets, as well as locational marginal cost (LMP) was developed. This literature illustrated that the independently owned BESS can submit bids/offers to participate in the energy and spinning reserve markets during both charging and discharging cycles. The market-based DR and the comprehensive evaluation of DR's roles in the future electricity markets to mitigate the variability nature of wind energy aiming to maximize system security, and reduce the total operational cost was presented in [12].

In the mentioned literature above, ESS has been introduced as a fixed resource in optimal scheduling of wind-based power systems, while a major obstacle of wind energy is the long distance between wind farms and load centers, which results in an increase in wind power reduction due to line congestion in the system. The mobility of BESS provides a suitable solution for transporting the manufactured wind energy from generation sides to load centers all over different areas in the system. To improve the resilience of the power system, a SCUC model is integrated with BESS transportation via the railway system considering power and transportation systems restrictions was proposed in [13]. The proposed model evaluates the effects of battery-based energy storage transport (BEST) on the hourly behavior of thermal units (power generation, ON/OFF states) while the system uncertainties have been neglected. Authors in [14], revealed the potential of BEST via shipping, trucks, and train for managing the lines congestion. Therefore, an hourly SCUC model is integrated with BEST for optimal calculation of batteries charging/ discharging schemes, as well as power exchange with the power system, was developed in this paper. The proposed model considers all the power and transposition systems constraints, regardless of the system uncertainties. The potential of BEST for optimal operation of the power system integrated with wind energy was

developed in [15], where the wind power, load demand, and outages of both power and railway transportation systems components were considered to be uncertain or unknown parameters. In [16], the joint post-disaster restoration schedule of the distribution network contains multiple microgrids (MGs) integrated with the transportable energy storage system (TESS) was developed. Distribution network can be separated into multiple islanded MGs via reconfiguration in an emergency condition, while TESS travels among all MGs and is used to dispatch to prevent blackout or consumer's interruptions. Electrical vehicles (EVs) act as mobile storage/equipments to reach demand and have the potential to integrate RES. Authors in [17], concentrated on transmission-constraints in the operation process to facilitate wind energy integration. The effects of EV's batteries charging/ discharging schemes, and the behavior of drivers on hourly UC considering transmission-constraint, were evaluated in this literature. The coordinated large-scale PEV fleet as mobile storage and demand in the stochastic UC model considering wind energy, hourly demand, and behavior of EV's drivers uncertainty was developed in [18]. In [19], a stochastic UC model integrated with the traffic assignment of large-scale EVs with the high penetration of wind energy was proposed. The traffic network was modeled by EVs travels. The effects of optimal charging/ discharging schemes, a departure time of EVs transmission networks and thermal units scheduling was investigated in this paper.

However, the growing interests in the utilization of hybrid optimization methods allow the system operator to benefit from the advantages of both methods simultaneously in the face of existing uncertainties. The hybrid robust/ stochastic optimization framework to deal with uncertainty in the day-ahead scheduling of active distribution network imposed by unpredictable load and solar energy was developed by [20]. In [21], a hybrid stochastic/ interval/ information gap decision theory (IGDT) framework was developed to evaluate the optimal operation of the integrated energy hub system incorporated with the DR concept. A novel hybrid IGDT/ stochastic co-optimization strategy for optimal scheduling of coordinated power and gas grids in the presence of electrical and gas demands, as well as wind energy uncertainties, was developed by [22]. In [23], a multi-energy microgrid operation incorporated the high penetration of RES was optimized via a hybrid stochastic/ interval framework exposed by multi-energy demands and RES power output variation. An optimal bidding strategy of compressed air energy storage system with the aim of profit maximization under a hybrid robust/ stochastic approach was developed by [24]. The market price uncertainty was modeled by a set of scenarios, while the maximum capacity of CAES cavern is handled by a robust strategy. A novel hybrid stochastic/ IGDT approach is used for decision-making of EVs aggregator in the presence of high-level uncertainty including initial state of charge, arrival and departure times of EVs into the parking lot, as well as market price, has

been investigated by [25]. The IGDT-based robust method was used to handle price uncertainty, while a scenario-based stochastic approach was used to address other random variables.

### C. Contribution

To the best of the authors' knowledge, the reviewed works have not extensively investigated the benefits of economic, technical, and environmental advantages of battery-based energy storage mobility in an LMP-based two-stage day-ahead market-clearing framework. Moreover, the effect of the coordinated scheduling of demand-side resources and the BEST system on the result of energy market-clearing was ignored in the literature. The significant gaps in the studied works are as follows:

- In [4-12], BESSs was applied as fixed resources into energy market-clearing mechanism, and mobility of BESSs in reducing line congestion and maximizing social welfare was neglected.
- In [13-19], although the authors investigated the mobility of battery-based energy storage into network-constrained unit commitment, they have not extensively focused on environmental issues, the flexibility of demand-side management, and day-ahead market-clearing process.
- In [4-19], the authors mainly utilized deterministic, stochastic and robust-based optimization approaches to solve the problem, while the operator at times preferred to differentiate between the risk levels of the existing uncertainties and manage them depending on the different optimization techniques.
- In [20-25], the authors never applied a hybrid optimization approach in the day-ahead market-clearing process, while these kind of techniques can provide major benefits for the market operator to handle uncertainties in real-time dispatch.

Hence, this paper applies a new two-stage robust-stochastic framework into energy day-ahead market-clearing constrained to the power grid, environmental issues, and rail transport network (RTN) to achieve high-efficiency scheduling of ESS and handle any uncertainties associated with demand and wind power generation. Power demand and wind power generation uncertainties are addressed in the real-time dispatch by a scenario-based stochastic model and an info-gap-based robust technique, respectively. The time-space network was also considered to study the effects of the constraints and flexibility of RTN on the day-ahead market-clearing outputs and social welfare. Additionally, a demand-side management technique coordinated with the vehicle routing problem (VRP) is adopted to effectively manage the fluctuating nature of renewable energy sources properly, reduce the line congestion and carbon emission. The main contributions of the paper can be summarized as follows:

- The mobility of BESS is evaluated from an economic, environmental, and technical perspective by proposing a day-ahead market-clearing approach constrained to



environmental issues, rail transport and power networks, in which a time-space network is applied to model the constraints and flexibility of RTN.

- A demand-side management model coordinated with VRP is presented and proposed to the day-ahead market-clearing framework for high-efficiency scheduling of the price-sensitive shiftable demand.
- A new two-stage robust-stochastic framework is adopted to model the uncertainties related to demand and wind power production. The proposed model increases the flexibility of the operator's decision-making when facing uncertainties since the operator might differentiate between the risk level of system uncertainties.

#### D. Paper organization

The remainder of the paper is organized as follows. In Section II, the problem description contains BEST, price-sensitive shiftable load, and market-clearing models are represented. Section III represents two-stage robust-stochastic market-clearing formulation, including objective function and corresponding restrictions. Numerical results are reported and discussed in Section IV. Finally, Section V concludes the paper.

## II. PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

#### A. BEST model

RTNs are an important part of the transportation systems worldwide. In addition to daily passenger transportation, which requires an optimal schedule of trains by the classic VRP, the mobility capability of BESS offers an appropriate opportunity for RTN to transport BESS from one region to another. However, the BEST model via RTN requires a realistic model, considering all railway limitations. In this paper, the time-span network as [13], is applied to model railway lines and stations with VRP. Let's consider small RTN with three stations and railroads crossing, as shown in Fig. 1. There are three stations {1,2,3} that are connected by lines between the two neighboring stations. Also, the distance time between any of the neighboring stations offered as time span is shown at the top of each railroad. For example, distance-time between stations 1 and 3 is twice the distance-time between any two neighboring stations, equals to a 2-time span. To simplify the modeling of the RTN framework, a virtual station (station number 4) is considered between station numbers 1 and 3. Hence, distance-time between any two neighboring stations in Fig. 1 is a 1-time span.

The time-space network for the RTN with 4 stations is shown in Fig. 2. According to Fig. 2, all possible hourly connections for the actual and virtual station is shown. The vertical axis in Fig. 2 is applied to indicate the railway station, and the hourly scheduling horizon is shown by a horizontal axis. Railway stations are represented by nodes, while connections line between each neighboring stations are represented by arcs.

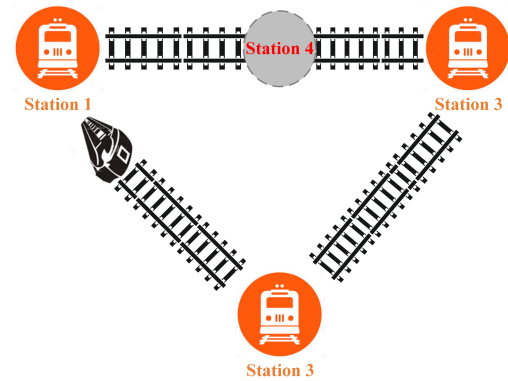


FIGURE 1. Simple RTN configuration

There are two types of arcs in the time-space network shown in Fig. 2 namely grid connecting arcs and transporting arc. Grid connecting arcs are horizontal solid arc in a time-space network, that represent the BESS stop in any station that is connected to the upstream grid for power exchange. While transporting arcs are sloped dotted arcs in a time-space network that express the BEST system statuses between neighboring stations at any given period of time horizon. It should be noted that the actual station (station 1, 2, and 3 in Fig. 1) can be connected to both grid connecting and transporting arcs, while virtual station (station number 4 in Fig. 1) can only be connected to second types of arcs. Obviously, the BEST cannot be connected to the upstream network in such a virtual station due to lack of charging/discharging equipment. All mathematical formulation related to the RTN will be presented in the future.

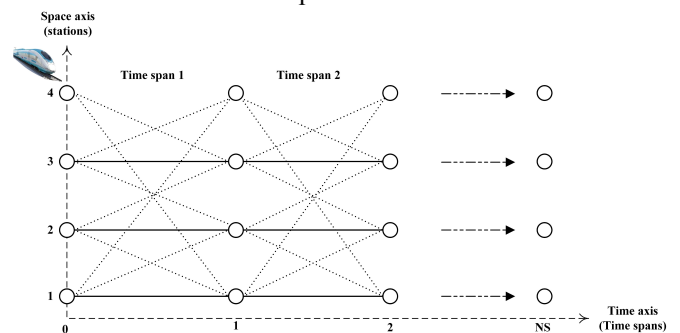


FIGURE 2. Time-space network for a simple RTN configuration

#### B. Price-sensitive shiftable demand bidding model

Demand bidding program (DBP) is a type of DR program that has been recently adopted by different electrical companies such as PG&E, and encourages large energy consumption to reduce their energy demand by setting their own target [26]. The bidding strategy in DR programs has the same concepts as in real-time and day-ahead markets. In the day-ahead market, market players in the DR program, submit their bid package containing the amount of energy reduction in the preceding day. If suggested bids are accepted, consumers are required to reduce their daily energy consumption according to the contract. Otherwise, they will be subjected to heavy penalties on a monthly charge. In DBP, participants determine the price they would want to reduce or shift their load demand. Hence, a novel

modeling strategy for DBP is presented in this paper. In fact, in this strategy, participants submit their bids including the desired purchase price and demand to be met by the market operator. In other words, if the market price is less or equals to the submitted price bid, the desired load demand is met ; otherwise, the market operator has the authority to reduce or shift demand to times with lower electricity prices. Accordingly, the market operator will decide how much demand should be met. Fig. 3 describes the proposed price-sensitive shiftable DB model to the market operator.

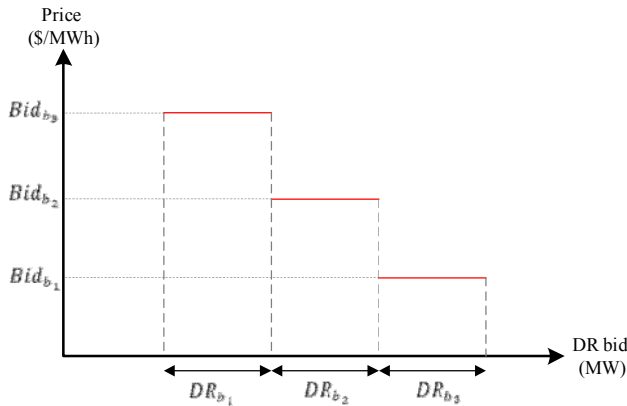


FIGURE 3. Price-sensitive demand bidding model to the market operator

### C. Market Clearing Structure

Under the proposed framework, the market operator takes offers and bids from different market players before clearing the day-ahead market. The market operator has the ability to apply both generation-side and demand-side resources to achieve more cost-effective generation in energy markets. The BEST systems and price-sensitive demands as flexible options can be used as a generation or consumption power according to the market operator's requirements. On this basis, consumers consisting of fixed demand and price-sensitive shiftable demands send energy purchase bids, and conventional generation units submit energy selling offers. The BEST system also presents discharging offers and charging bids to provide energy. Technical and cost parameters related to market players consisting of conventional units, wind power plants, BEST systems, and price-sensitive shiftable demand are the main inputs of the proposed model. For example, the offered package of conventional generating units not only contains their price-quantity offers for supplying energy but also consists of their technical and environmental features such as minimum up/down-times, carbon emission, ramp rates, minimum/maximum power generation limits, etc. The offer and bid packages considered for BEST systems and price-sensitive shiftable demand also include their own technical parameters. Since the market-clearing process is integrated with VRP, the operator solves a market-clearing problem constrained to power and rail transport networks to maximize social welfare. Therefore, the market operator should have access to data related to the power network and

RTN to achieve a high-efficiency scheduling model in which such data are considered as input parameters in the proposed model. In addition, to handle the uncertainties related to wind power and demand in real-time dispatch, the market operator might apply a two-stage market-clearing mechanism, which is described as Fig. 4 in more detail.

### III. PROBLEM FORMULATION

Based on the proposed framework, the market operator solves a two-stage robust-stochastic energy market clearing problem integrated with VRP, where the constraints associated with the power grid, RTN, and environmental issues are considered in the clearing process. The market operator during the day-ahead market clearing faces some significant challenges due to the resource uncertainties that might appear in real-time. On the other hand, the market operator tends to be able to differentiate between the level of risk of system uncertainties due to the intensity of uncertainty of such resources. Hence, in this paper, the operator applies a scenario-based stochastic model to manage the power demand in real-time dispatch, while employing an info-gap based robust optimization technique to handle the wind power uncertainty due to its severe uncertain nature. The introduced model aims to maximize social welfare while obtaining the optimal hourly location, charge/discharge schedule of the BEST system, power dispatch of thermal units, optimal management of price-sensitive shiftable demand, and LMP in each bus. In conclusion, the two-stage stochastic approach is considered to investigate the electricity demand uncertainty in the market clearing process. Then, the robust optimization technique will be integrated into the two-stage market-clearing framework for facing the uncertainty of wind power in real-time dispatch.

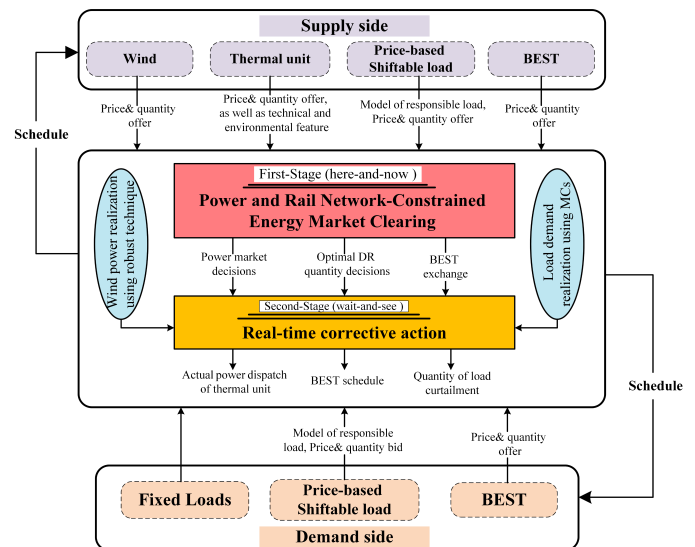


Figure 4. An overall perspective of the proposed model

#### A. Two-Stage Stochastic Market-Clearing

The main objective of the proposed model is to maximize social welfare, which is formulated as a two-stage stochastic mixed-integer linear programming (MILP) problem. The objective function (1) includes six terms. The first term is the consumer's surplus in the first stage. The second term is the operation cost of thermal units, which includes minimum generation cost (no-load cost), startup/ shutdown cost, and the cost of providing energy in the first stage. The third term is the operation cost of the BEST system, that consists of transport cost and charge/ discharge cost in the first stage. The fourth, fifth and sixth terms are the consumer's surplus, the power production cost of thermal units, the charge/discharge cost of the BEST system and the load shedding cost in the second stage, respectively.

$$SF = \max \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{t=1}^T Bid_{bl,j} dr_{bl,j,t} - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^U \left[ MC_{i,t} I_{i,t} + SU_{i,t} + SD_{i,t} + \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E P_{i,t,m} \right] - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} \left[ \sum_{(k,n) \in A} \sum_{ts=1}^{TS} C_{tr} I_{tr,k,n,ts} + \sum_{t=1}^T \left[ C_{tr}^{ch} P_{tr,t}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} P_{tr,t}^{dis} \right] \right] + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{w=1}^W \pi_w \left[ \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{n=1}^N Bid_{bl,j} \Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w} - \sum_{i=1}^U \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E \Delta P_{i,t,m,w} - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} C_{tr}^{ch} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{dis} - \sum_{j=1}^{NJ} voll_{j,t} Lsh_{j,t,w} \right] \quad (1)$$

## 1) FIRST STAGE CONSTRAINTS

In this section, the constraints associated with “here and now” variables are defined. The constraints of thermal units in the first stage are stated as (2)-(12). The power generated by the thermal unit is limited by upper and lower levels as expressed by (2) and (3). The ramp-up and ramp-down constraints for continuous hours are respectively indicated by (4)-(7). Constraints (8)-(11) represent minimum up and down time limits that bind the thermal unit to be turned on and off for a certain time before starting-up and shutting-down. The start-up and shut-down costs are expressed by (12) and (13), respectively.

$$P_{i,m}^{\min} I_{i,t} \leq P_{i,t,m} \leq P_{i,m}^{\max} I_{i,t} \quad (2)$$

$$P_{i,t} = \sum_{m=1}^M P_{i,t,m} \quad (3)$$

$$P_{i,t} - P_{i,t-1} \leq (1 - Y_{i,t}) R_i^{up} + Y_{i,t} P_i^{\min} \quad (4)$$

$$P_{i,t-1} - P_{i,t} \leq (1 - Z_{i,t}) R_i^{dn} + Z_{i,t} P_i^{\min} \quad (5)$$

$$Y_{i,t} - Z_{i,t} = I_{i,t} - I_{i,t-1} \quad (6)$$

$$Y_{i,t} + Z_{i,t} \geq 1 \quad (7)$$

$$I_{i,t} - I_{i,t-1} \leq I_{i,t} + TU_{i,\mu} \quad (8)$$

$$TU_{i,\mu} = \begin{cases} u & u \leq MUT_i \\ 0 & u > MUT_i \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

$$I_{i,t-1} - I_{i,t} \leq 1 - I_{i,t} + TD_{i,\mu} \quad (10)$$

$$TD_{i,\mu} = \begin{cases} u & u \leq MDT_i \\ 0 & u > MDT_i \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

$$SU_{i,t} \geq C_i^{SU} (I_{i,t} - I_{i,t-1}) \quad (12)$$

$$SU_{i,t} \geq 0$$

$$SD_{i,t} \geq C_i^{SD} (I_{i,t-1} - I_{i,t}) \quad (13)$$

$$SD_{i,t} \geq 0$$

The constraints related to the BEST system in the first stage are defined as (14)-(23). The limitation related to the location state of the BEST system is determined by (14). In a specific time span, each train can only be on one route. Movement limits of the BEST system are given in (15)-(17). If the BEST system in time span s has been in one of the routes ending in the node k, in the next time span s+1, it will be in one of the routes that start from the node k, which is formulated by (15). The constraints related to the initial and final states of the BEST system location are described by (16) and (17), respectively. The BEST system can be in one of the states of charge or discharge when it is connected to the grid, which is formulated by (18). The charge/discharge limitations of the BEST system can be specified by (19)-(20). The state of charge of the BEST system in each hour is shown by (21). The capacity limit of the BEST system is defined as (22). The initial and final state of charge of the BEST system is limited to (23).

$$\sum_{(k,n) \in A} I_{k,n,ts} = 1 \quad (14)$$

$$\sum_{(k,n) \in A_i^+} I_{tr,k,n,ts+1} = \sum_{(k,n) \in A_i^-} I_{tr,k,n,ts} \quad (15)$$

$$\sum_{(k,n) \in A_i^+} I_{tr,k,n,1} = I_{tr,k,n,0} \quad (16)$$

$$\sum_{(k,n) \in A_i^-} I_{tr,k,n,TR} = I_{tr,k,n,TR} \quad (17)$$

$$I_{tr,t}^{ch} + I_{tr,t}^{dis} \leq I_{tr,k,t}^{ch} \quad (18)$$

$$P_{tr}^{ch,\min} I_{tr,t}^{ch} \leq P_{tr,t}^{ch} \leq P_{tr}^{ch,\max} I_{tr,t}^{ch} \quad (19)$$

$$P_{tr}^{dis,\min} I_{tr,t}^{dis} \leq P_{tr,t}^{dis} \leq P_{tr}^{dis,\max} I_{tr,t}^{dis} \quad (20)$$

$$E_{tr,t} = E_{tr,t-1} + \frac{P_{tr,t}^{ch}}{\eta_{tr}} - \eta_{tr}^{dis} P_{tr,t}^{dis} \quad (21)$$

$$E_{tr}^{\min} \leq E_{tr,t} \leq E_{tr}^{\max} \quad (22)$$

$$E_{tr,0} = E_{tr,T} \quad (23)$$

The constraints of price-sensitive shiftable demand in the first stage are described by (24)-(30). The relationships between demand blocks and the total load considering adjustable demand are given by (24) and (25). Also, the limit on the demand block is mentioned by (26). The constraint of the adjustable demand is presented by (27).



The ramp rates for demand at consecutive time intervals are limited by (28) and (29). The total reduced load during the scheduling is shifted to other times that can be stated as (30).

$$DR_{j,t} = D_{j,t} - FL_{j,t} \quad (24)$$

$$\sum_{bl=1}^{BL} dr_{bl,j,t} = DR_{j,t} \quad (25)$$

$$0 \leq dr_{bl,j,t} \leq dr_{bl,j}^{\max} \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq FL_{j,t} \leq \gamma D_{j,t}, & \text{if } FL_{j,t} \geq 0 \\ FL_{j,t} \geq D_{j,t} - (1 + \gamma)D_{j,t}, & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

$$DR_{j,t} - DR_{j,t-1} \leq d_j^{\text{up}} \quad (28)$$

$$DR_{j,t-1} - DR_{j,t} \leq d_j^{\text{down}} \quad (29)$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^T FL_{j,t} = 0 \quad (30)$$

The constraints associated with power grid can be represented by (31)-(34). Constraint (31) defines the load balance at each bus incorporating DR. The DC-power flow, model, is applied to calculate the value of power crossing each transmission line as represented by (32). The power flow in each line is restricted by the maximum allowable power capacity of line, expressed by (33).

$$\sum_{i=1}^{U_b} P_{i,t} + \sum_{wp=1}^{WP_b} P_{wp,t} + \sum_{tr=1}^{TR_b} [P_{tr,t}^{\text{dis}} - P_{tr,t}^{\text{ch}}] - \sum_{j=1}^{J_b} DR_{j,t} \quad (31)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{U_b} PX_{b,b',t} \quad (32)$$

$$PX_{b,b',t} = \frac{\delta_{b,t} - \delta_{b',t}}{X_{b,b'}}$$

$$-PX_{\text{Line}}^{\max} \leq PX_{b,b',t} \leq PX_{\text{Line}}^{\max} \quad (33)$$

The constraint (34) limits the allowable amount of daily pollution emissions.

$$\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^U F^E(P_{i,t}) \leq EC \quad (34)$$

## 2) Second Stage Constraints

In this section, the constraints related to “wait and see” variables are discussed. The related constraints with the thermal units in the second stage can be expressed by (35)-(39), which includes the produced power and ramp rate limits. The constraints of the BEST system in the second stage are defined by (40)-(46). The limitations on the scheduled load by the market operator in the second stage are described by (47)-(53). Finally, the limits of DC power flow and carbon emission are shown by (54)-(57).

$$P_{i,t,w} = P_{i,t} + \Delta P_{i,t,w} \quad (35)$$

$$P_{i,m}^{\min} I_{i,t} \leq P_{i,t,m,w} \leq P_{i,m}^{\max} I_{i,t} \quad (36)$$

$$P_{i,t,w} = \sum_{m=1}^M P_{i,t,m,w} \quad (37)$$

$$P_{i,t,w} - P_{i,t-1,w} \leq (1 - Y_{i,t})R_i^{\text{up}} + Y_{i,t}P_i^{\min} \quad (38)$$

$$P_{i,t-1,w} - P_{i,t,w} \leq (1 - Z_{i,t})R_i^{\text{dn}} + Z_{i,t}P_i^{\min} \quad (39)$$

$$P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{ch}} = P_{tr,t}^{\text{ch}} + \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{ch}} \quad (40)$$

$$P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{dis}} = P_{tr,t}^{\text{dis}} + \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{dis}} \quad (41)$$

$$P_{tr}^{\text{ch},\min} I_{tr,t}^{\text{ch}} \leq P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{ch}} \leq P_{tr}^{\text{ch},\max} I_{tr,t}^{\text{ch}} \quad (42)$$

$$P_{tr}^{\text{dis},\min} I_{tr,t}^{\text{dis}} \leq P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{dis}} \leq P_{tr}^{\text{dis},\max} I_{tr,t}^{\text{dis}} \quad (43)$$

$$E_{tr,t,w} = E_{tr,t-1,w} + \frac{P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{ch}}}{\eta_{tr}^{\text{ch}}} - \eta_{tr}^{\text{dis}} P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{dis}} \quad (44)$$

$$E_{tr}^{\min} \leq E_{tr,t,w} \leq E_{tr}^{\max} \quad (45)$$

$$E_{tr,0,w} = E_{tr,T,w} \quad (46)$$

$$DR_{j,t,w} = D_{j,t,w} - FL_{j,t,w} \quad (47)$$

$$\sum_{bl=1}^{BL} dr_{bl,j,t} + \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w} = DR_{j,t,w} \quad (48)$$

$$0 \leq dr_{bl,j,t} + \Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w} \leq dr_{bl,j}^{\max} \quad (49)$$

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq FL_{j,t,w} \leq \gamma D_{j,t,w}, & \text{if } FL_{j,t,w} \geq 0 \\ FL_{j,t,w} \geq D_{j,t,w} - (1 + \gamma)D_{j,t,w}, & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad (50)$$

$$DR_{j,t,w} - DR_{j,t-1,w} \leq d_j^{\text{up}} \quad (51)$$

$$DR_{j,t-1,w} - DR_{j,t,w} \leq d_j^{\text{down}} \quad (52)$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^{NT} FL_{j,t,w} = 0 \quad (53)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{U_b} P_{i,t,w} + \sum_{wp=1}^{WP_b} P_{wp,t,w} + \sum_{tr=1}^{TR_b} [P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{dis}} - P_{tr,t,w}^{\text{ch}}] - \sum_{j=1}^{J_b} [DR_{j,t,w} - Lsh_{j,t,w}] = \sum_{b=1}^B PX_{b,b',t,w} \quad (54)$$

$$PX_{b,b',t,w} = \frac{\delta_{b,t,w} - \delta_{b',t,w}}{X_{b,b'}}$$

$$-PX_{\text{Line}}^{\max} \leq PX_{b,b',t,w} \leq PX_{\text{Line}}^{\max} \quad (56)$$

$$\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^U F^E(P_{i,t,w}) \leq EC \quad (57)$$

## B. Two-Stage Robust-Stochastic Market-Clearing

In this section, the proposed two-stage robust-stochastic model is applied to clear the energy market involving the uncertainties associated with electric load and wind power. In the hybrid approach, the operator can use the advantages of both methods simultaneously to deal with the existing uncertainties. Additionally, the operator can differentiate between the risk level of the uncertainties. Since the uncertainty of wind power is more severe than the electric load, the operator prefers to apply a risk-based approach to manage wind power, while the fluctuations of electrical load are managed using Monte-Carlo simulation (MCs). In this regard, an info-gap-based robust optimization model is applied to manage the risk-based wind power production. This technique does not need extra information like

probability distribution function and a fuzzy membership of uncertain parameters [27]. More details about the IGDT method can be studied in [27]. The mathematical description of the info-gap-based two-stage hybrid model is as follows:

$$\alpha_r = \max \alpha \quad (58)$$

$$\Delta_C = (1 - \beta_r) SF_b \quad (59)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{t=1}^T Bid_{bl,j} dr_{bl,j,t} \\ - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^U \left[ MC_{i,t} I_{i,t} + SU_{i,t} + SD_{i,t} \right] \\ + \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E P_{i,t,m} \\ - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} \left[ \sum_{(k,n) \in A} \sum_{ts=1}^{TS} C_{tr} I_{tr,k,n,ts} + \sum_{t=1}^T \left[ C_{tr}^{ch} P_{tr,t}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} P_{tr,t}^{dis} \right] \right] \\ + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{w=1}^W \pi_w \left[ \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{n=1}^N Bid_{bl,j} \Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w} \right. \\ - \sum_{i=1}^U \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E \Delta P_{i,t,m,w} \\ - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} \left[ C_{tr}^{ch} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{dis} \right] \\ \left. - \sum_{j=1}^{NJ} voll_{j,t} Lsh_{j,t,w} \right] \geq \Delta_C \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

$$(1 - \alpha) \hat{P}_{wp,t} \leq P_{wp,t} \leq (1 + \alpha) \hat{P}_{wp,t} \quad (61)$$

Where  $\alpha$  is the maximum deviation of wind power from the forecasted value in real-time dispatch.  $\Delta_C$  is the acceptable level of social welfare, which the operator can determine it by changing the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$ .  $SF_b$  is the value of the social welfare calculated by the operator under conditions in which the produced wind power in real-time dispatch ( $P_{wp,t}$ ) is the same as the forecasted wind power ( $\hat{P}_{wp,t}$ ). So,  $SF_b$  is determined by solving the problem (1)-(57) without considering the uncertainty of wind power.

The defined mathematical model above is a bi-level optimization problem so that in the upper level, the operator tends to maximize the radius of wind power forecasting error. In contrast, in the lower level, a two-stage stochastic model is solved by the operator to maximize social welfare. In the risk-based strategy, the generated wind power in real-time dispatch has an undesirable influence on social welfare. On the other hand, a reduction in wind power in real-time dispatch leads to a decrease in social welfare. So, the proposed model can be converted into a single-level problem as follows:

$$\alpha_r = \max \alpha \quad (62)$$

$$\Delta_C = (1 - \beta_r) SF_b \quad (63)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{t=1}^T Bid_{bl,j} dr_{bl,j,t} \\ - \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^U \left[ MC_{i,t} I_{i,t} + SU_{i,t} + SD_{i,t} \right] \\ + \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E P_{i,t,m} \\ - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} \left[ \sum_{(k,n) \in A} \sum_{ts=1}^{TS} C_{tr} I_{tr,k,n,ts} + \sum_{t=1}^T \left[ C_{tr}^{ch} P_{tr,t}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} P_{tr,t}^{dis} \right] \right] \\ + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{w=1}^W \pi_w \left[ \sum_{bl=1}^{BL} \sum_{n=1}^N Bid_{bl,j} \Delta dr_{bl,j,t,w} \right. \\ - \sum_{i=1}^U \sum_{m=1}^M C_{i,t,m}^E \Delta P_{i,t,m,w} \\ - \sum_{tr=1}^{TR} \left[ C_{tr}^{ch} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{ch} + C_{tr}^{dis} \Delta P_{tr,t,w}^{dis} \right] \\ \left. - \sum_{j=1}^{NJ} voll_{j,t} Lsh_{j,t,w} \right] \geq \Delta_C \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^{U_b} P_{i,t,w} + \sum_{wp=1}^{WP_b} (1 - \alpha) \hat{P}_{wp,t} + \sum_{tr=1}^{TR_b} \left[ P_{tr,t,w}^{dis} - P_{tr,t,w}^{ch} \right] \\ - \sum_{j=1}^{J_b} DR_{j,t,w} = \sum_{b=1}^B PX_{b,b',t,w} \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

$$\text{Eqs. (2)-(53) and (55)-(57)} \quad (66)$$

The flowchart of the proposed problem-solving process is represented in Fig 5.

#### IV. CASE STUDY AND SIMULATION RESULTS

In this study, an integrated electricity and rail transport network is introduced to assess the advantages of the proposed model, which is shown in Fig. 6. Specifications associated with the electricity and transportation network are given by [13]. The predicted values related to wind power production and demand are shown in Fig. 7. Also, the carbon emission coefficients of thermal units have been taken from [28]. In this study, it is assumed that the sodium-sulfur (NaS) battery technology is employed in the BEST system, while different types of batteries can be used. The employed batteries have energy and power densities of 200 W/kg and 50 W/Kg, respectively. Besides, it is assumed that a standard railway wagon of 50-feet can handle 100 tons of cargo; so each wagon carries NaS batteries with a capacity of  $100 \times 10^3 \times 200 \times 10^{-6} = 20$  MWh and a specific power of  $100 \times 10^3 \times 50 \times 10^{-6} = 5$  MW. The BEST system involves one locomotive and six railway wagon. Consequently, the energy and power of the BEST system are 120 MWh and 30 MW, respectively. In addition, the travel time between the two stations is assumed to be 2 hours, so a 2-hour time span is selected. The cost of charge and discharge power of the BEST system is assumed to be 1\$/MWh [13]. The marginal benefit of consumers is assumed to be 45\$/MWh [29].

The power demand forecasting error follows a normal distribution function with a mean of zero and a standard deviation of 10%. The 1000 scenarios are generated by

MCs, which is reduced to 10 scenarios using the SCENRED tool in GAMS software. The proposed model is a MILP problem which is solved by CPLEX solver in GAMS software. Three case studies are considered to investigate the benefits of the proposed model, which are summarized as follows:

**Case 1:** In this case, the effect of the BEST system on social welfare, power distribution of thermal units, line congestion, LMP, and carbon emission is evaluated under the two-stage stochastic approach. Also, a comparison between the BEST system and fixed BESS is provided in this case to show the model effectiveness. In this case, wind power uncertainty is not considered.

**Case 2:** In this case, the benefits of shiftable demand with the BEST system on the social welfare, power dispatch of thermal units, line congestion, LMP, and carbon emission are evaluated under the two-stage stochastic approach. Besides, the effect of DR on hourly optimal location and scheduling of the BEST system is investigated to show the benefits of demand-side management coordinated with VRP. In this case, wind power uncertainty is ignored.

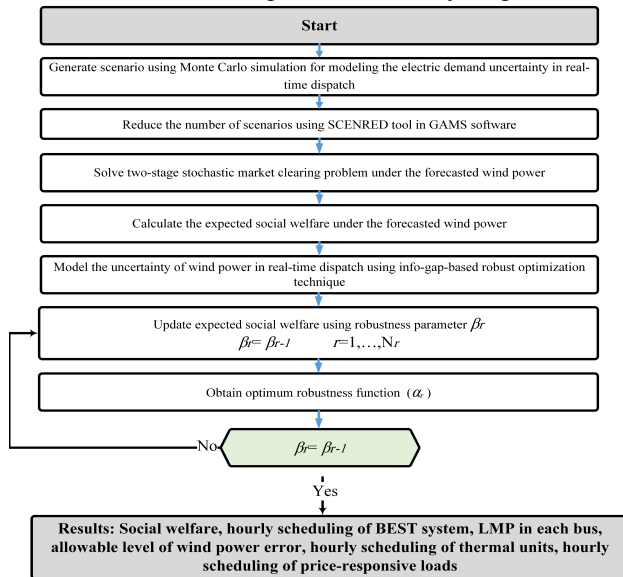


Figure 5. The proposed hybrid problem-solving process

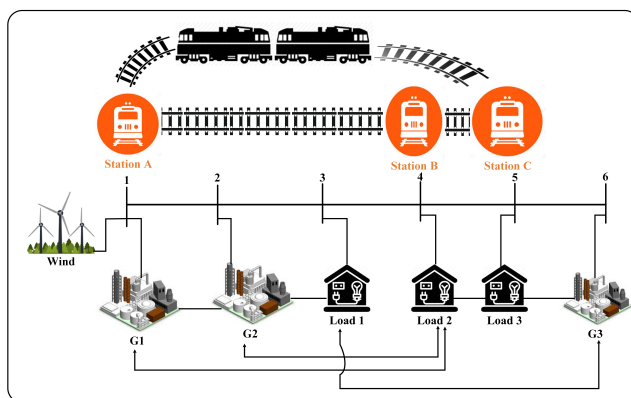


Figure 6. The integrated power and rail transport networks

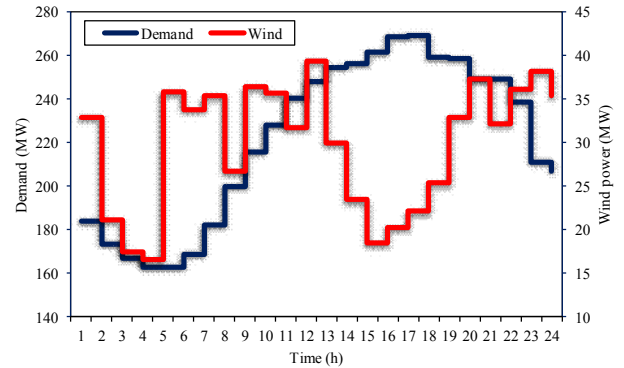


Figure 7. The forecasted demand and wind power

**Case 3:** In this case, instead of the two-stage stochastic approach, a two-stage robust-stochastic technique is preferred to manage the wind power uncertainty under the risk-averse approach. In this case, DR and the BEST system are considered.

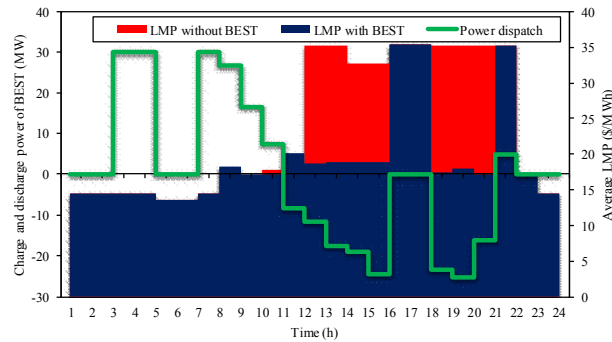
The studied cases are discussed in detail as follows:

**Case 1:** The optimal location and state of the BEST system are shown in Table 1. It is assumed that the BEST system is located initially at station A and the transport cost is zero. It can be seen that the BEST system is moved from station A to station C in the first time span. In the second time span, the BEST system is located in station C (fifth bus) and is operated in charge mode. Then in the third time span is moved from station C to station B. From the fourth to the eighth time span, the BEST system stays at station B (fourth bus) and it is employed in charge and discharge modes, respectively. In the ninth time span, the BEST system is returned to Station C. In the tenth and eleventh time span, the BEST system is used in the discharge and charge mode, and in the last time span, it is returned to the station A.

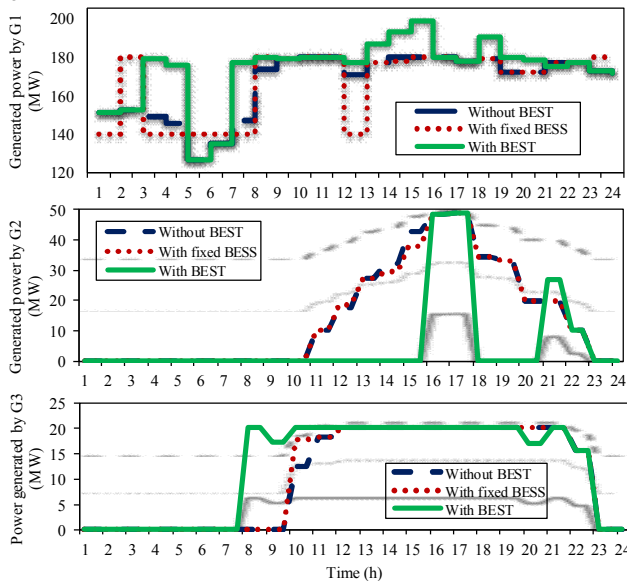
The effect of charge and discharge scheduling of the BEST system on the average LMP is shown in Fig. 8. It can be seen that in the hours when the average LMP is low (between  $t=1$  and  $t=11$ ), the BEST system is used in the charge mode. Then it is operated in the discharge mode in the hours between  $t=11$  and  $t=21$ , which causes a decrease in average LMP during peak hours. The main reason for the power prices reduction during peak hours is the power dispatch increase of unit G1 (The cheapest unit), which results in reducing the power dispatch of unit G2 in the mentioned periods. Fig. 9 shows the effect of the BEST system on the optimal operation of the generation units. It was observed that the BEST system during peak hours increases effectively whilst the power dispatch of unit G1 reduces the power dispatch of unit G2 compared to the fixed BESS and without the presence of BEST. In fact, the obtained results confirm that the BEST system effectively reduces line congestion during peak hours and increases the power dispatch of unit G1. As a result, social welfare is increased to \$16,181.05 with the BEST system, which is \$2,895.43 and \$3,487.78 more than the fixed BESS and without BESS, respectively.

**TABLE 1.** Location and state of BEST system without considering the transport cost

Social welfare= \$161831.05				
Time span (h)	0-2	2-4	4-6	6-8
Location of BEST	A-C	C-C	C-B	B-B
State of BEST	Transport	Charge	Transport	Charge
Time span (h)	8-10	10-12	12-14	14-16
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	Charge	Charge	Discharge	Discharge
Time span (h)	16-18	18-20	20-22	22-24
Location of BEST	B-C	C-C	C-C	C-A
State of BEST	Transport	Discharge	Charge	Transport



**Figure 8.** The impact of optimal hourly scheduling of the BEST system on LMP



**Figure 9.** The effect of the BEST system on the optimal scheduling of the thermal units.

Table 2 shows the effect of transport costs on the BEST system scheduling. Transport cost is estimated at \$200. It can be seen that considering the cost of transport, the operator prefers to employ the BEST system in less time span in transport mode, which shows the dependence between the transport cost and optimal scheduling of the BEST system. Under these conditions, social welfare is equal to \$160,656.42, which is less than without considering the cost of transport. Table 3 shows the effect of the BEST system, and the carbon emission limits on the total dispatched power taking into account the cost of transport. It can be observed that with the BEST system, the

power generation of unit G1 is increased compared to the fixed BESS and without BESS, which leads to a decrease in the power production of more expensive units like G2 and G3. In fact, the BEST system acts as a viable option to reduce the effect of line congestion on power dispatch of unit G1, which results in increasing social welfare. Besides, with consideration of the carbon emission constraint, the operator's willingness to use the unit G2 increases due to the lower carbon emission of this unit compared to other generation units. Table 4 also shows the overall effect of the BEST system on social welfare under different conditions. It can be seen that social welfare increases from \$155,727.25 without the BEST system compared to \$158,612.22 with the BEST considering the carbon emission constraint. It should be noted that the carbon emission constraint is estimated at 3,000 lbs/day.

**Table 2.** Location and state of BEST system considering the transport cost and without carbon emission limit

Social welfare= \$160656.42				
Time span (h)	0-2	2-4	4-6	6-8
Location of BEST	A-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	Transport	Charge	Charge	Charge
Time span (h)	8-10	10-12	12-14	14-16
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	-	Discharge	Discharge	Charge/-
Time span (h)	16-18	18-20	20-22	22-24
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-B	B-A
State of BEST	-	Charge	Charge/-	Transport

**Table 3.** The impact of the BEST system and carbon emission limit on the total dispatched power

	G1	G2	G3
Total power without BEST	4,006.22	345.64	246.46
Total power with fixed BESS	4,007.64	338.79	251.88
Total power with BEST	4,165.19	184.99	248.14
Total power with BEST and emission constraint (MWh)	4,106.92	372.58	118.81

**Table 4.** The impact of the BEST system on social welfare considering carbon emission limit

	-	Fixed BESS	BEST
Social welfare without emission constraint (\$)	158,343.27	158,935.62	160,656.42
Social welfare with emission constraint (\$)	155,727.25	156,402.65	158,612.22

**Case 2:** The effect of shiftable load on the hourly demand considering the carbon emission limit is shown in Fig. 10. The shiftable load participation factor in the DR program is assumed to be 10%. It can be seen that by implementing the DR program, the load is shifted from peak hours to non-peak hours, which results in a reduction in the participation of expensive units and decreasing LMP during peak hours. Besides, it can be seen that by considering the BEST system, the pattern of shiftable load scheduling changes, which shows the dependence between the BEST system and responsive-load scheduling. So, to meet high-efficiency demand-side management, the operator must integrate the BEST system routing problem with the demand-side management problem. Tables 5 and 6 also show the effect of DR on the scheduling of the BEST system, taking into



account the carbon emission constraint. It can be observed that with the implementation of the DR program, the optimal location, charge and discharge state of the BEST system changes entirely from the ninth to the twelfth time span, which shows the importance of integrated management. The effect of coordinated scheduling of the BEST system and DR on the average LMP is also shown in Fig. 11. although with DR and BEST increases the LMP during non-peak hours, it also decreases significantly during peak hours. Also, Fig. 12 confirms the benefit of the integrated scheduling of demand response of the BEST system to reduce the line congestion. under the coordinated method, the power produced by unit G1 increases by 197.4 MWh during peak hours, which results in decreasing the hourly commitment of the unit G2, reduction of LMP, and increasing social welfare. In this case, social welfare is equal to \$163,378.54, which is viewed as an increase of 2.9% in social welfare in comparison without DR.

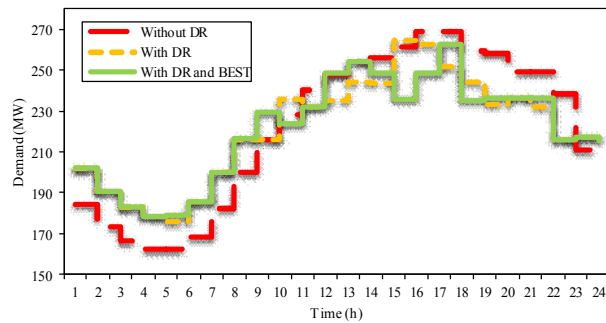


Figure 10. The effect of shiftable load on the hourly demand considering the carbon emission limit

Table 5. Location and state of BEST system considering the transport cost, carbon emission limit and without DR

Social welfare= \$158,612.22				
Time span (h)	0-2	2-4	4-6	6-8
Location of BEST	A-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	Transport	Charge	Charge	Charge
Time span (h)	8-10	10-12	12-14	14-16
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	-/Discharge	Discharge	Discharge	Charge
Time span (h)	16-18	18-20	20-22	22-24
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-A	A-A
State of BEST	Discharge	Discharge	Transport	-

Table 6. Location and state of BEST system considering the transport cost, carbon emission limit and DR

Social welfare= \$163,378.54				
Time span (h)	0-2	2-4	4-6	6-8
Location of BEST	A-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	Transport	Charge	Charge	Charge/-
Time span (h)	8-10	10-12	12-14	14-16
Location of BEST	B-B	B-B	B-B	B-B
State of BEST	Discharge	-/Discharge	Discharge	Transport
Time span (h)	16-18	18-20	20-22	22-24
Location of BEST	A-A	A-A	A-A	A-A
State of BEST	-/Charge	Discharge/-	Charge/-	-

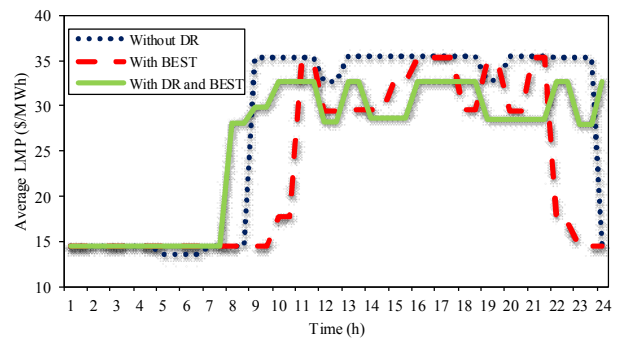


Figure 11. The effect of coordinated scheduling of the DR and the BEST on the LMP

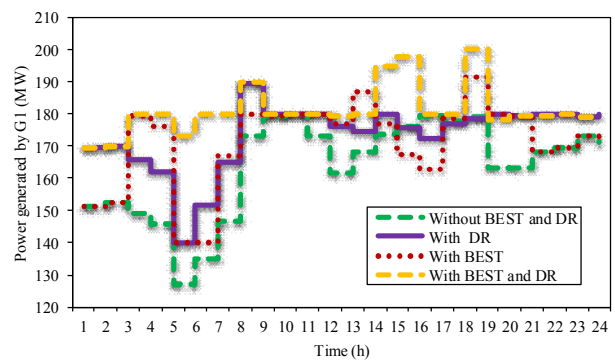


Figure 12. The effect of coordinated scheduling of the DR and the BEST system on the hourly dispatch of unit G1

**Case 3:** In order to handle the uncertainty of wind power generation under the IGDT-based robust strategy, the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  is increased by steps 0.01. Thereby ranging from 0.01 to 0.04. The initial amount of social welfare is estimated at \$163,378.54, which is obtained by solving the optimization problem (1)-(57) under the predicted wind power. The carbon emission constraint is estimated at 3,000 lbs/day. Fig. 13 shows the effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the optimal robustness function  $\alpha_r$  and social welfare. It is seen that by increasing the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$ , the optimal robustness function  $\alpha_r$  increases, and social welfare decreases, which means that by increasing the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$ , the market operator can handle a wider range of wind power forecast errors. However, this increase in the range of wind power forecast errors leads to a decrease in social welfare. In fact, by increasing the B, the market operator adopts a more robust approach with less social welfare against the uncertainty of wind power. For instance, for  $\beta_r = 0.01$  and 0.03, social welfare is calculated as \$161,744.8 and \$158,477.2, respectively. Therefore, these social welfare values for the market operator are guaranteed under the condition that at no time is the error of forecasting wind power production in real-time dispatch more than 9.6% and 29.1%, respectively.

Fig. 14 shows the effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the optimal scheduling of power generation

units. It can be seen that by increasing parameter  $\beta_r$ , the produced power by unit G1 increases, which is due to the decrease in generated wind power in bus 1 in real-time dispatch. Due to the direct relationship between the reduction of wind-produced power and the carbon emission increase of thermal units, the optimal scheduling of units G2 and G3 also change with increasing the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  in a way that maximizes social welfare and satisfies the constraint of daily carbon emission. Fig. 15 and 16 also show the optimal scheduling of price-responsive load and the BEST system for different values  $\beta_r$ . It can be seen that the optimal scheduling of these resources depends on the level of moderation that the market operator adopts.

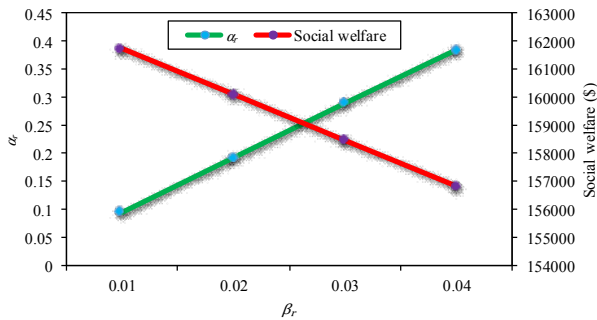


Figure 13. The effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the optimal robustness function  $\alpha_r$  and social welfare

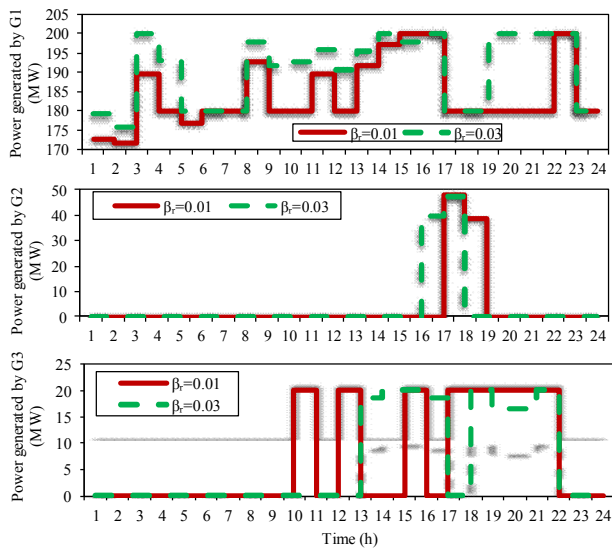


Figure 14. The effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the hourly dispatch of units

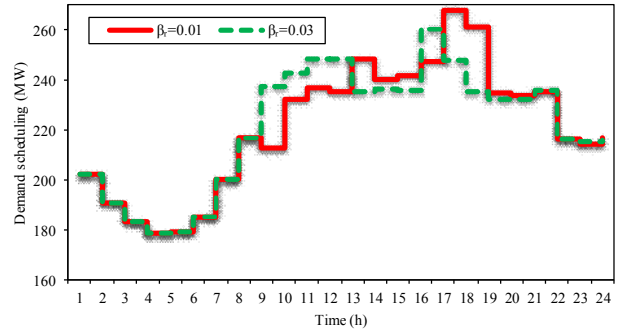


Figure 15. The effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the hourly scheduling of price-responsive load

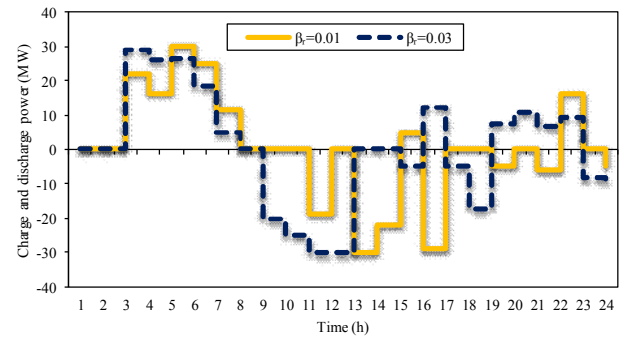


Figure 16. The effect of variations of the robustness parameter  $\beta_r$  on the hourly scheduling of BEST system

## V. CONCLUSION

This paper evaluated the economic, technical, and environmental effects of BES mobility and price-based DR program under a coordinated scheduling model in the day-ahead market-clearing. A time-space network was also used to model the constraints of the rail transport network and pair the day-ahead market-clearing process with the vehicle routing problem. In addition, a two-stage robust-stochastic approach was proposed to reduce the uncertainties associated with electric demand and wind power generation in real-time. The proposed model obtained the optimal hourly location, charge/discharge scheduling of the BEST system, power generation of thermal units, price-responsive loads scheduling and the LMP considering the daily carbon emission limit of thermal units. The obtained results can be summarized as follows:

- Applying the BEST system in the energy day-ahead market-clearing process is constrained to the power grid and environmental issues could increase the social welfare by 1.3% and 1.8%, respectively, in comparison with the fixed BESS and without BESS. Additionally, it could decrease the line congestion during peak hours by 9.3% compared to the fixed BESS.
- The transport cost had a significant effect on the optimal hourly location, charge and discharge scheduling of the BEST system. It decreased social welfare by 0.7% in comparison with it without the transport cost.
- Coordinated scheduling of the price-responsive loads and the BEST system could enhance social welfare by

about 2.9% compared to the non-coordinated scheduling. Besides, the line congestion during peak-hours was reduced by 4.5% in comparison with non-integrated management.

- The proposed two-stage hybrid framework enables the market operator to be able to differentiate between the risk level of the existing uncertainties and achieve a more flexible decision-making model. The operator can adjust the robustness level of the day-ahead scheduling using info-gap-based robust optimization to cover the uncertainty of wind power in real-time dispatch, while electric demand uncertainty was handled using a risk-neutral-based stochastic technique.

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