

# First Order Line Loss Approximation for LMP Calculation

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# Topics

1. How a “lossless” model estimates line losses
2. Loss factor comparisons
  - Reference bus and an alternative approach
3. Sequential linear programming
  - Two implementations
  - Results and unsettled problems
4. New method
  - Updates to implicit parameters

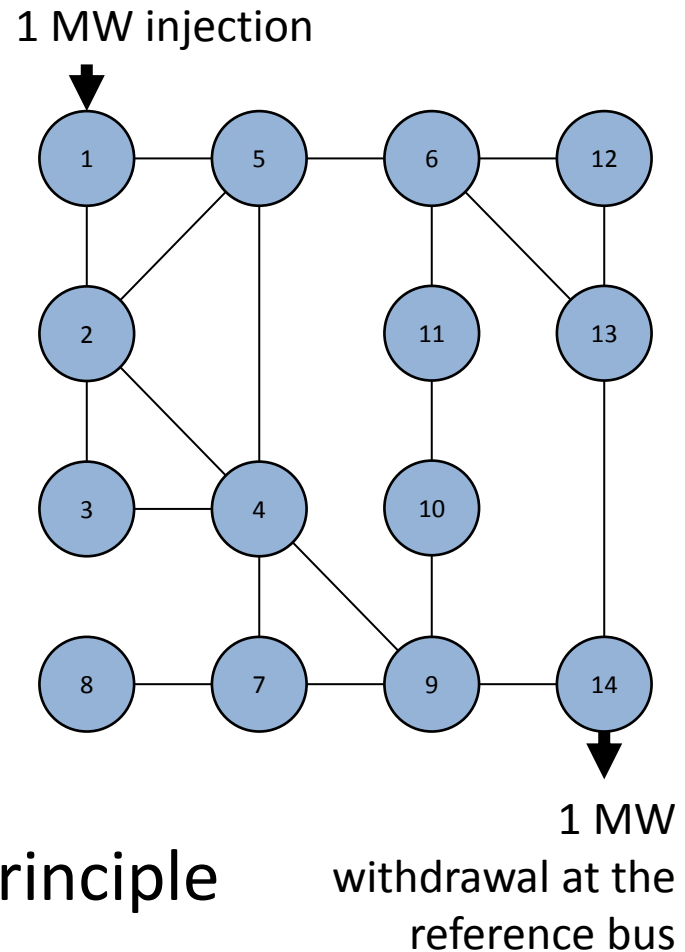
# Shift Factor / Distribution Factor

- Resistance  $\ll$  reactance
- Small voltage angles
- Voltage is close to one

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DC power flow approximation

Model applies superposition principle



# Loss Factor

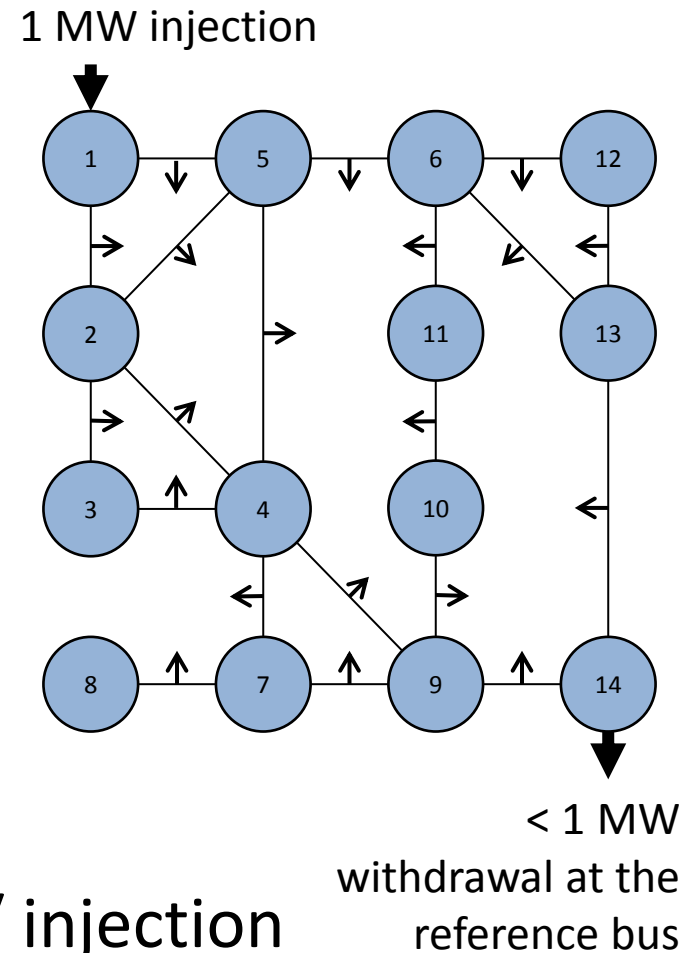
- “Base Point” solution
- Actual (AC) physics
- Solve new power flow with a small injection

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Change in system losses  
as a numerical derivative

$$\ell f_i = \delta \ell / \delta p_i$$

$$\approx (\text{injection} - \text{withdrawal}) / \text{injection}$$



# ISO Current Practices

ISO	Loss Function	Frequency	DAM base point	RTM base point
CAISO	Linear	After each AC power flow	AC power flow	AC power flow
MISO	Linear	Hourly DAM / 5-minute RTM	State estimator	State estimator
NYISO	Linear	Hourly DAM / 5-minute RTM with intermediate passes	Dispatch optimization	Dispatch optimization
ISO-NE	Linear	Hourly DAM / 5-minute RTM	State estimator	State estimator

# Model Formulation

maximize  $-\sum_i c_i(p_i)$

subject to  $\sum_i (p_i - d_i) - \ell = 0$

$$\ell = \sum_i (\ell f_i(p_i - d_i)) - \ell^0$$

$$f_k = \sum_i (s_{ki}(p_i - d_i - \ell e_i)) \quad \forall k \in K$$

$$l_i \leq p_i \leq u_i, l_k \leq f_k \leq u_k \quad \forall i \in N, \forall k \in K$$

Variables:

$p_i$  = power generation at node  $i$

$\ell$  = system losses

$f_k$  = power flow on branch  $k$

Parameters:

$d_i$  = power demand at node  $i$

$\ell f_i$  = loss factor ( $\delta \ell / \delta p_i$ )

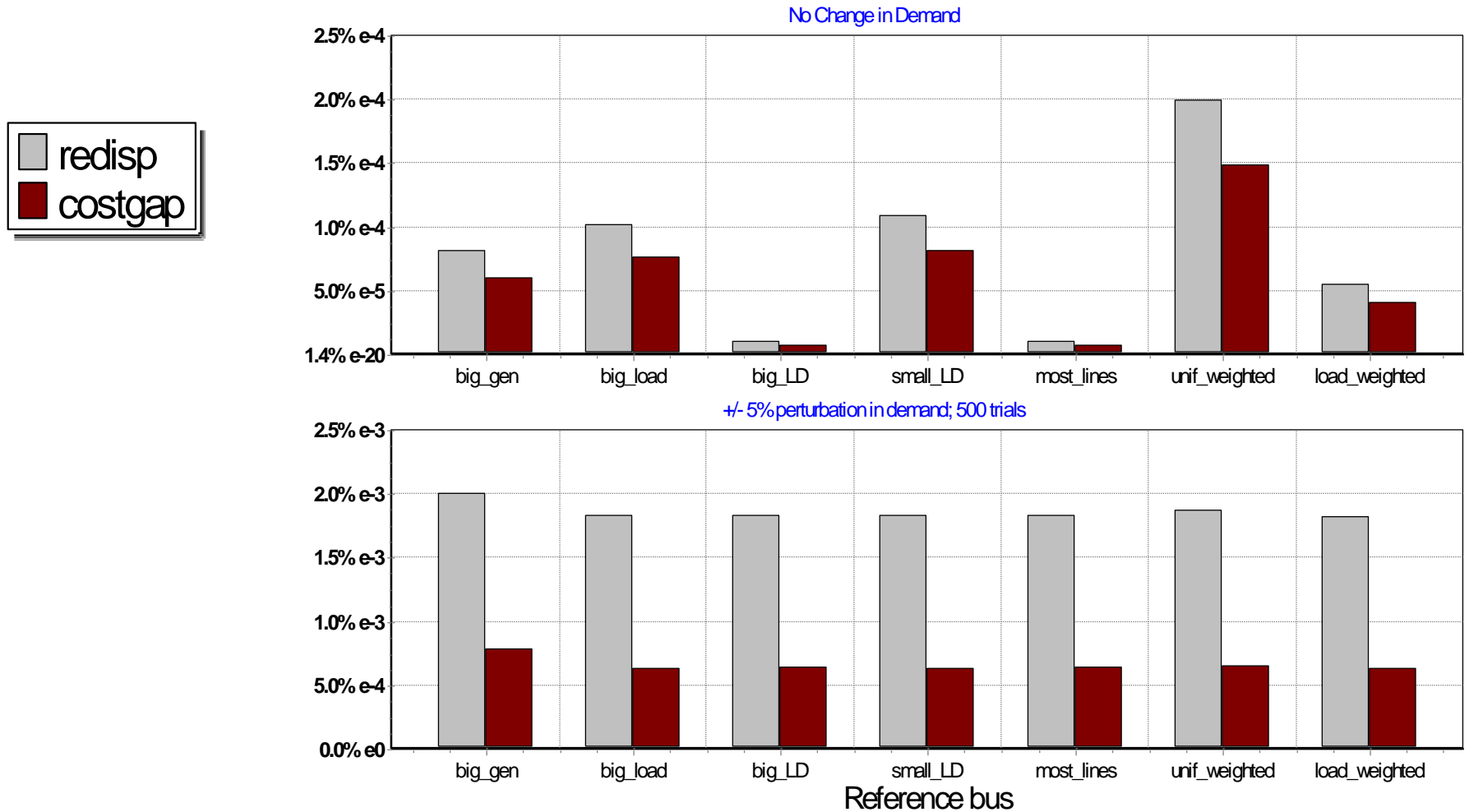
$\ell^0$  = loss constant

$s_{ki}$  = shift factor ( $\delta f_k / \delta p_i$ )

$e_i$  = loss distribution factor

# Reference Bus Sensitivity

57-bus Case: Redispatch and Additional Dispatch Costs



# Proposed Loss Factor

From Ohm's law:  $f_k = v_k i_k$        $\ell_k = (i_k)^2 r_k$   
assume  $v_k = 1$        $\Rightarrow$        $\ell_k = (f_k)^2 r_k$

$$\begin{aligned}\ell f_i &= \delta \ell / \delta p_i \\ &= \delta \ell_1 / \delta p_i + \dots + \delta \ell_k / \delta p_i\end{aligned}$$

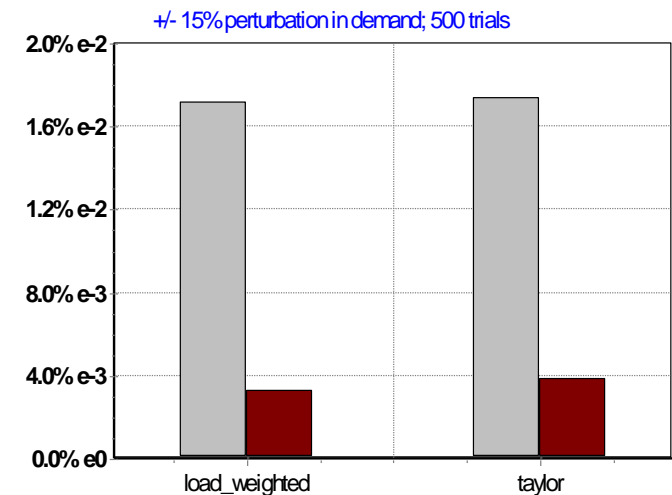
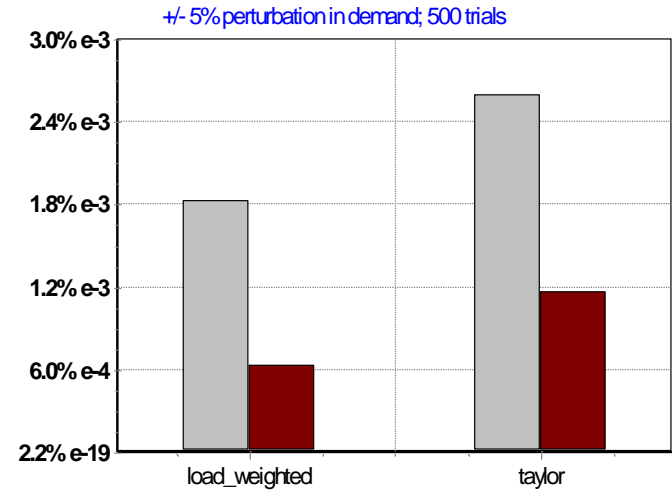
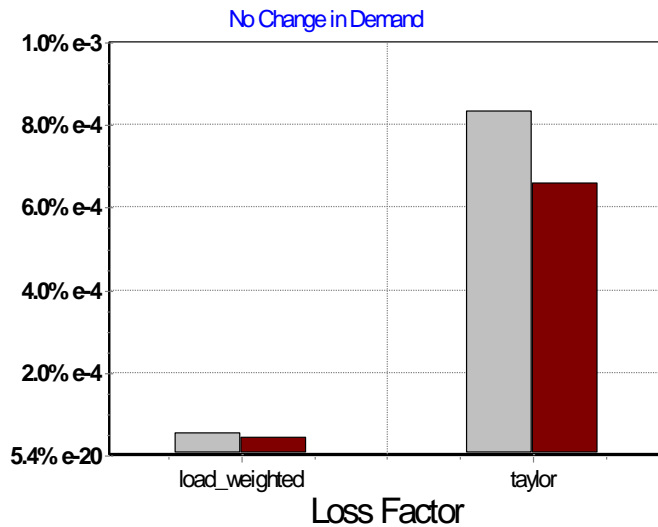
$$\begin{aligned}\delta \ell_k / \delta p_i &= 2 r_k f_k^0 (\delta f_k / \delta p_i) \\ &= 2 r_k f_k^0 s_{ki}\end{aligned}$$

$$\ell f_i = \sum_k (2 r_k f_k^0 s_{ki})$$



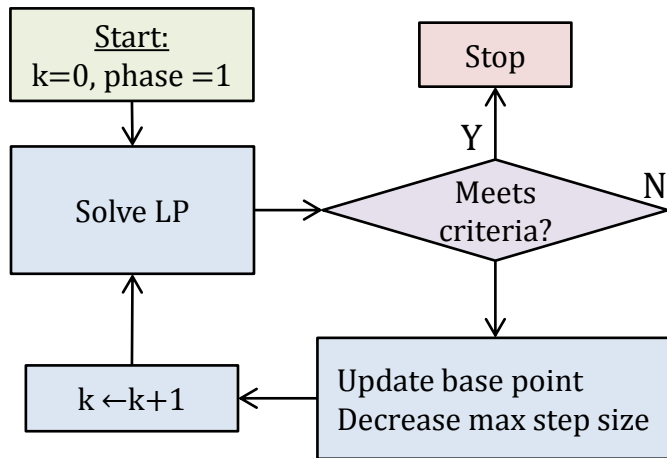
# Numerical Derivative vs. Proposed Loss Factor

57-bus Case: Loss Factor Comparison



# Sequential Linear Programming

## Simple SLP Approach



## Quadratic NLP

$$\max \quad -\sum_i c_i(p_i)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum_i (p_i - d_i) - \ell = 0$$

$$\ell = \sum_k (r_k f_k^2)$$

$$f_k = \sum_i (s_{ki} (p_i - d_i - \ell e_i))$$

$$l_i \leq p_i \leq u_i, \quad l_k \leq f_k \leq u_k$$

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First order Taylor series of the quadratic constraint at  $f_k^0$ :

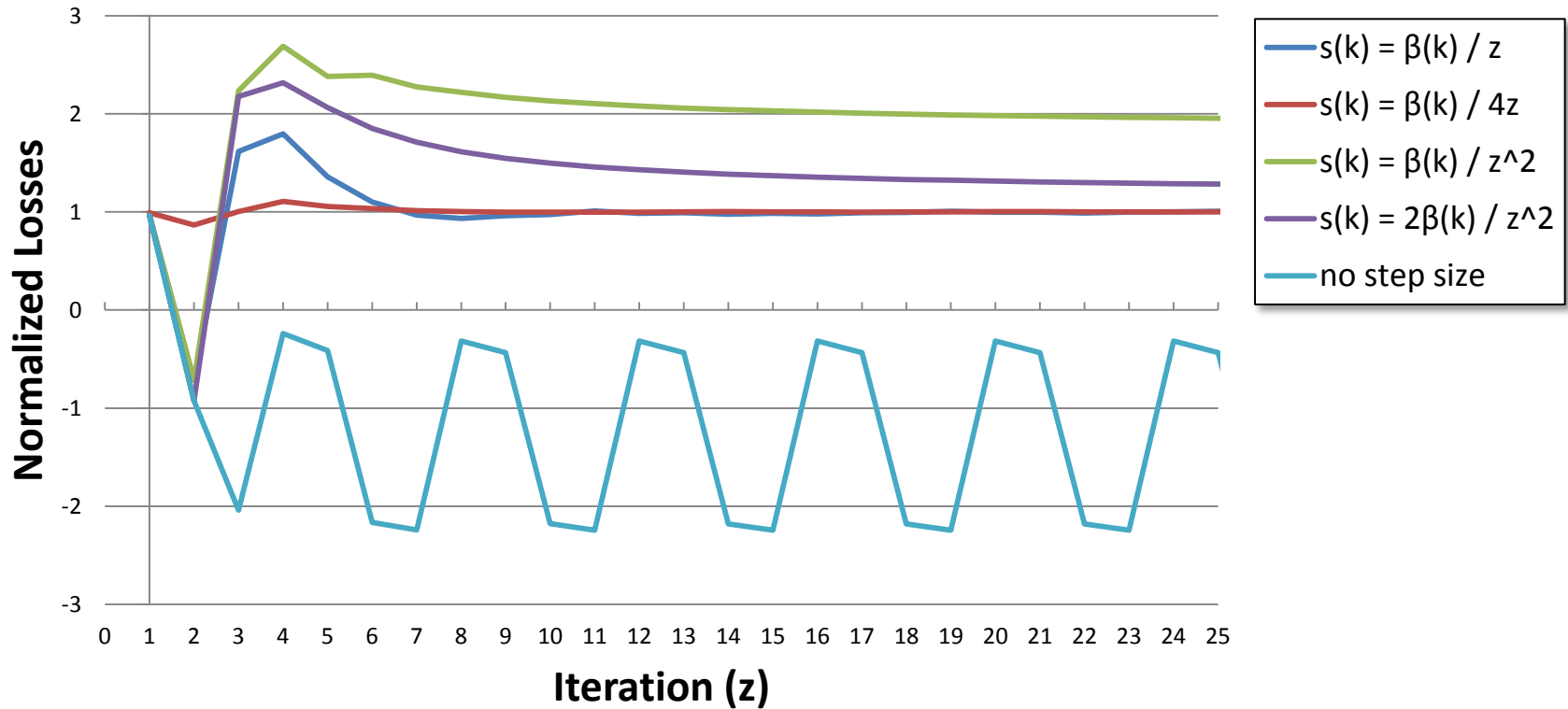
New constraint:  $\ell = \sum_i (\ell f_i(p_i - d_i)) - \ell^0$

Where:  $\ell f_i = \sum_k (2r_k f_k^0 s_{ki})$

$$\ell^0 = \sum_k (r_k f_k^0 f_k^0)$$

# Simple SLP Convergence

Loss Estimate Convergence vs. Step Size  
IEEE 57-bus Case



# Desired Attributes

No cycling

– Common of tendency similar methods

Consistent pricing

– Binding step size constraints affect LMP

Sensible loss values

– Negative line losses, etc.

Feasibility

– Avoid overly constraining the problem

Improvement

– Does the update make sense?

Convergence speed

– Would we rather solve something else?

# Model losses implicitly on each branch

$$\begin{aligned}\ell f_i &= \delta \ell_1 / \delta p_i + \dots + \delta \ell_k / \delta p_i \\ \ell f_{ki} &= \delta \ell_k / \delta p_i \\ &= 2r_k f_{ki}^0 s_{ki}\end{aligned}$$

Solve LP for solution  $\{\bar{p}_i, \bar{f}_k, \bar{\ell}\}$

$$\bar{\ell}_k = \sum_i (\ell f_{ki} (\bar{p}_i - d_i)) - \ell_k^0 \quad \text{Linear losses on 'k'}$$

$$\tilde{\ell}_k = r_k (\bar{f}_k)^2 \quad \text{Quad. losses on 'k'}$$

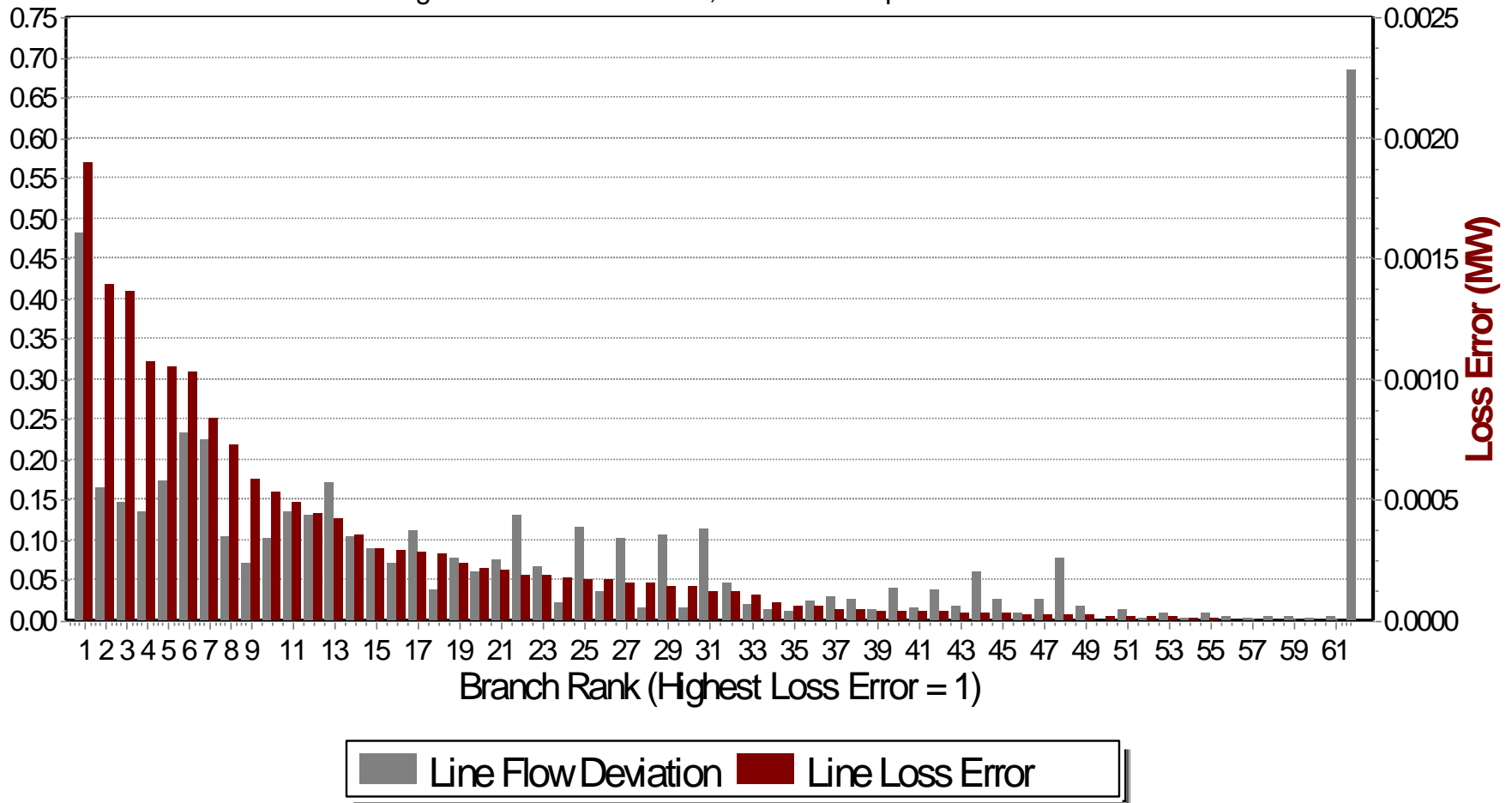
$$\delta_k = |\bar{\ell}_k - \tilde{\ell}_k| \quad \text{Error on 'k'}$$

$$\Delta = \sum_k \delta_k \quad \text{Total error}$$

# Power flow poorly predicts power loss

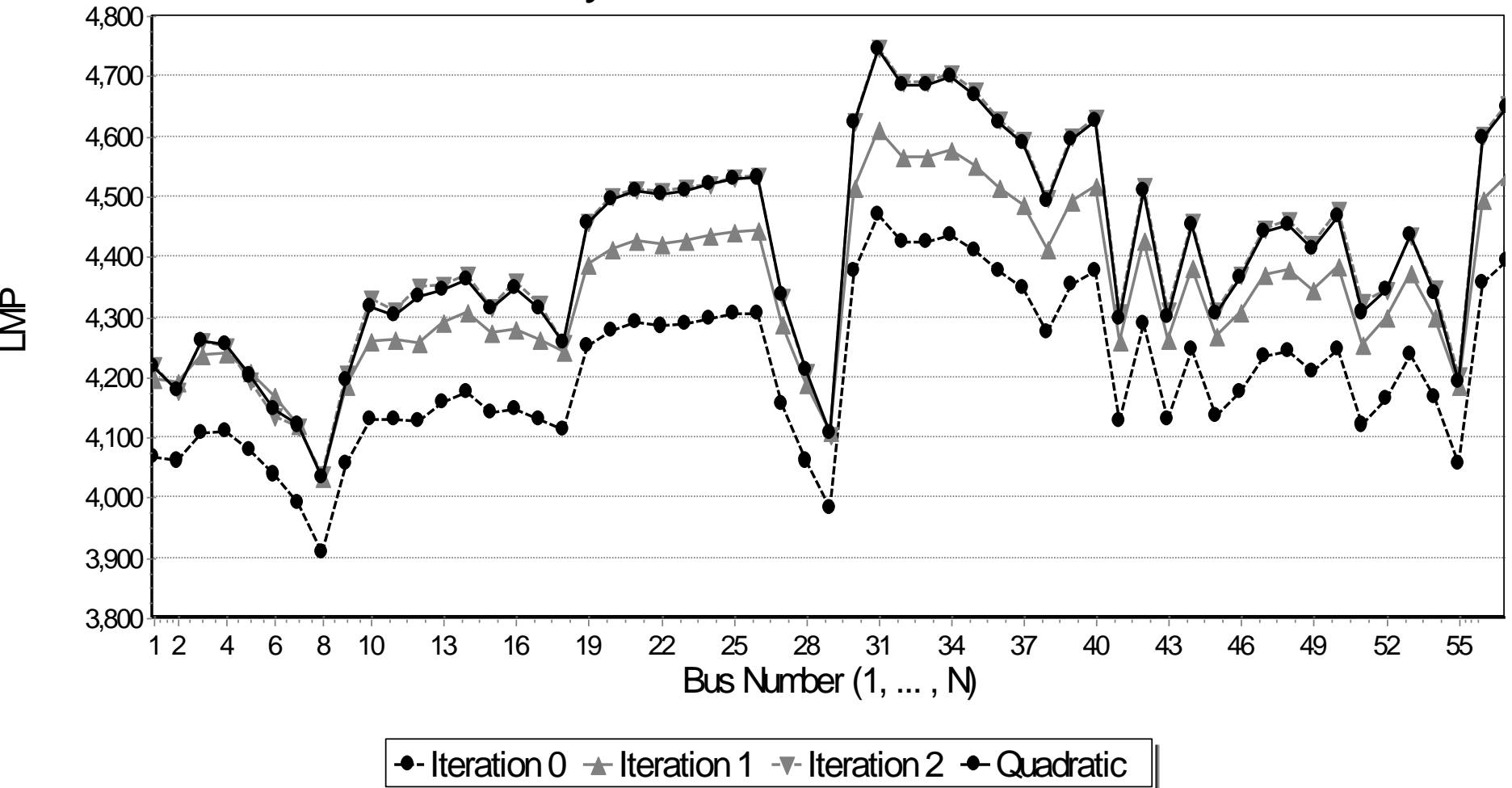
## 57-bus Case: Line Flow Deviation vs. Line Loss Error

Change in flow from initial solution; error assumes quadratic loss function



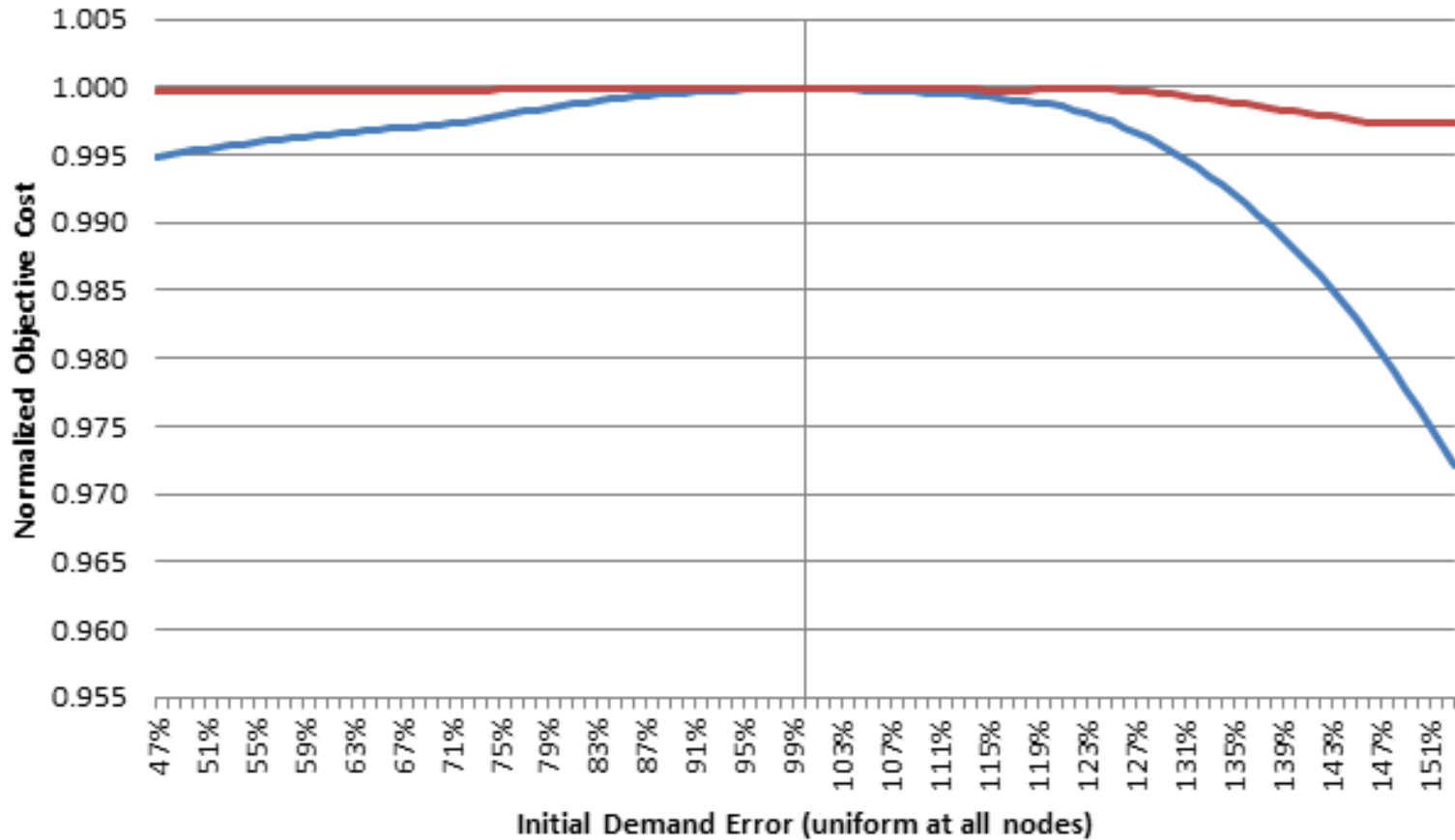
# Improvement after one iteration

## 57-Bus Case: System LMPs vs. Quadratic Solution



# Initial Error Sensitivity

## 57-bus Case: Objective Cost vs. Error



— Iteration 1    — Iteration 2



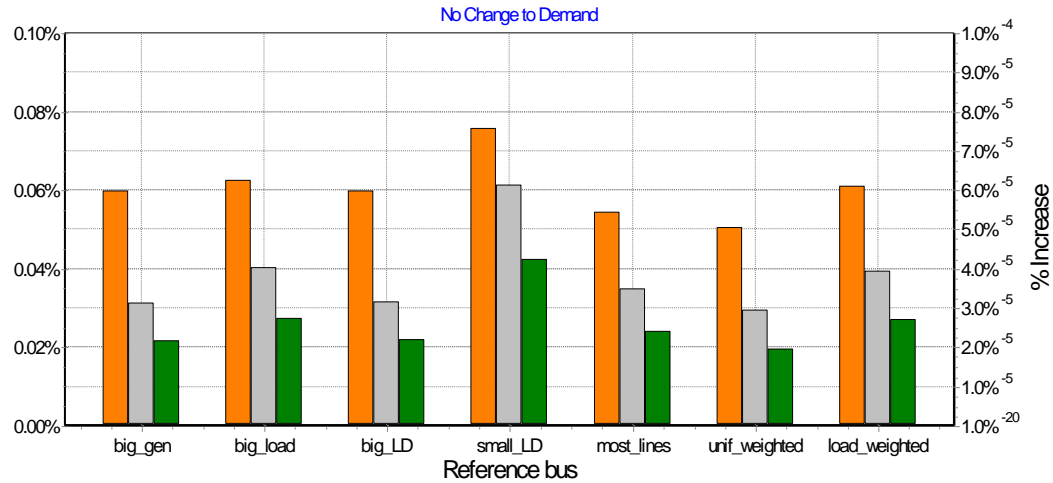
# Summary

- Reformulated loss factor
- Improvement w/out solving AC equations
- Benefits to accurate loss modeling
  - prevent ad hoc adjustments, gaming
- Future work:
  - AC-feasible results
  - RTO scale modeling

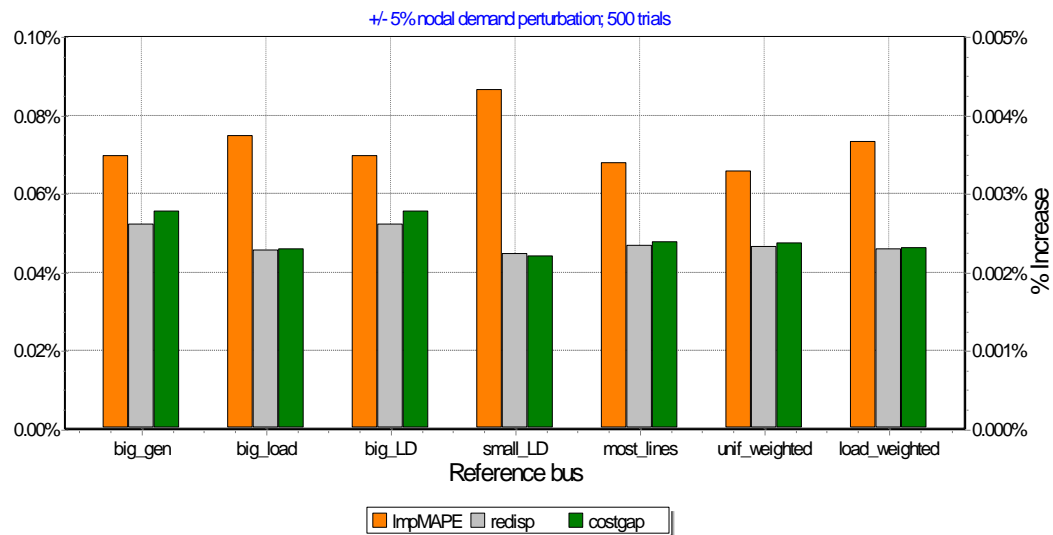
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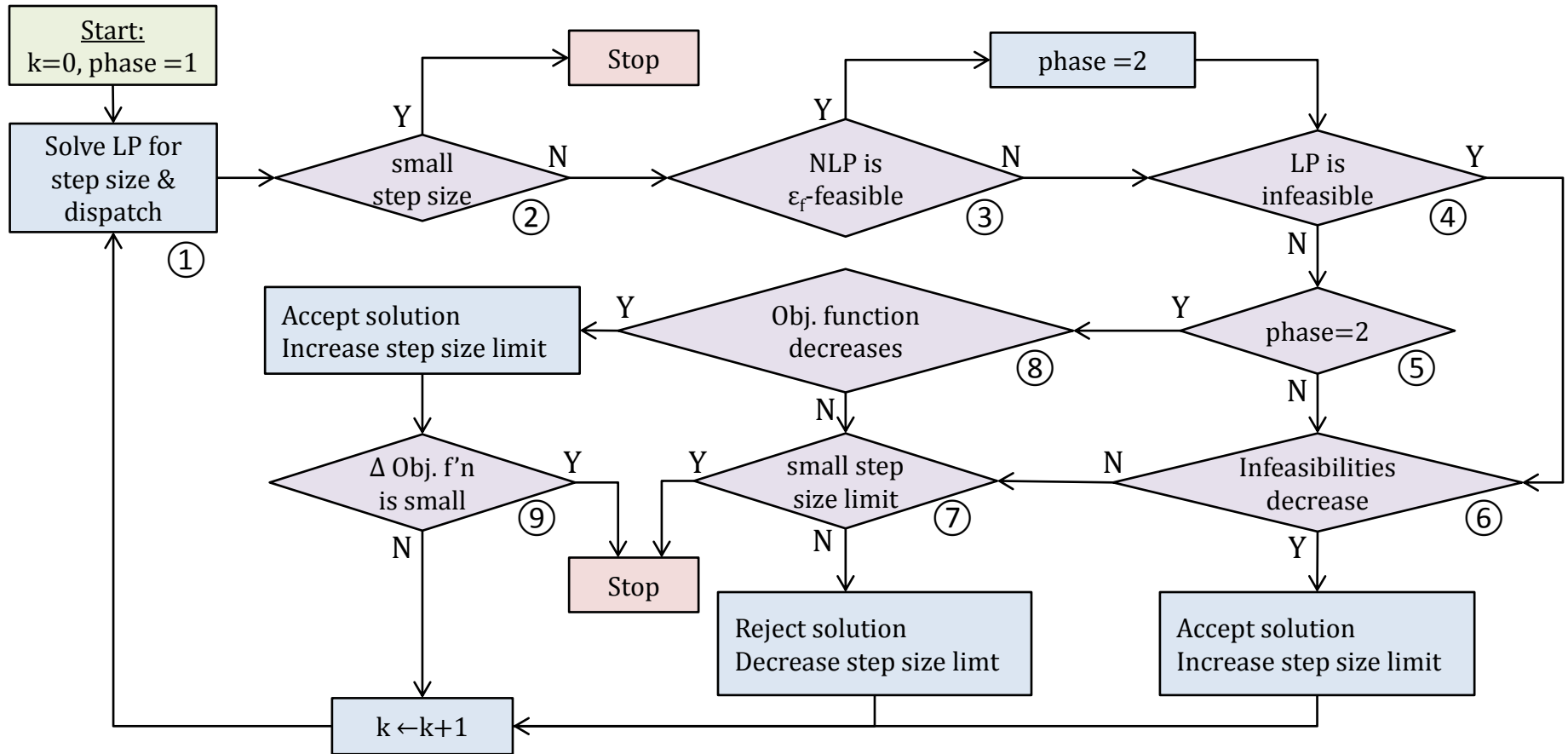
30-bus Case: LMP Error and Additional Dispatch Costs



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# Palacios-Gomez SLPR Algorithm



# Palacios-Gomez SLPR Convergence

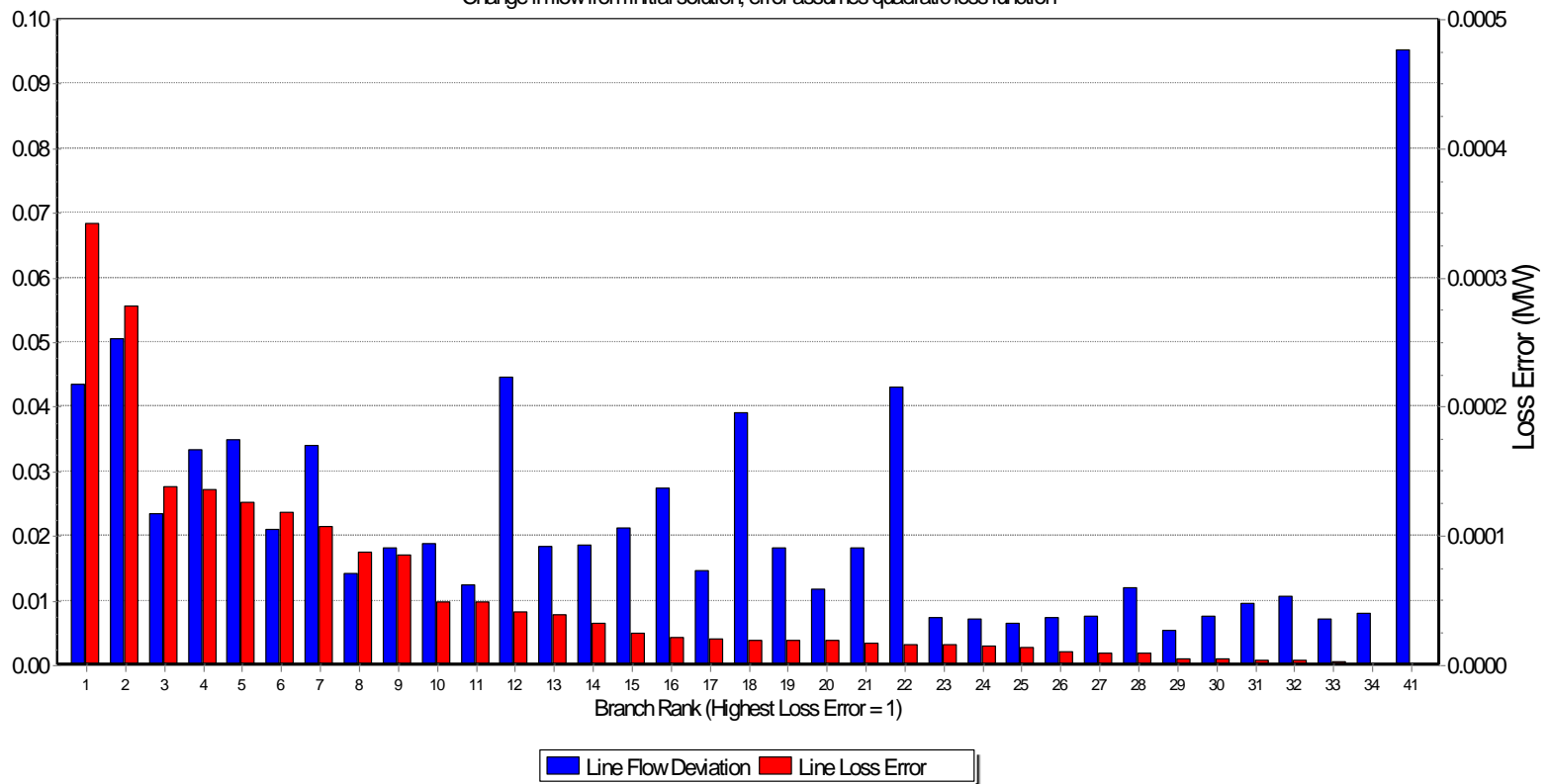
Case	Iterations	Accepted Solutions	Convergence Criteria	$\epsilon$ -Feasibility
14-bus	15	3	Small step size	No
30-bus	1	0	Small step size	No
57-bus	27	11	Small step size	No
118-bus	32	14	Small step size limit	No
300-bus	22	0	Small step size	No

\*Algorithm begins with the ACOPF solution

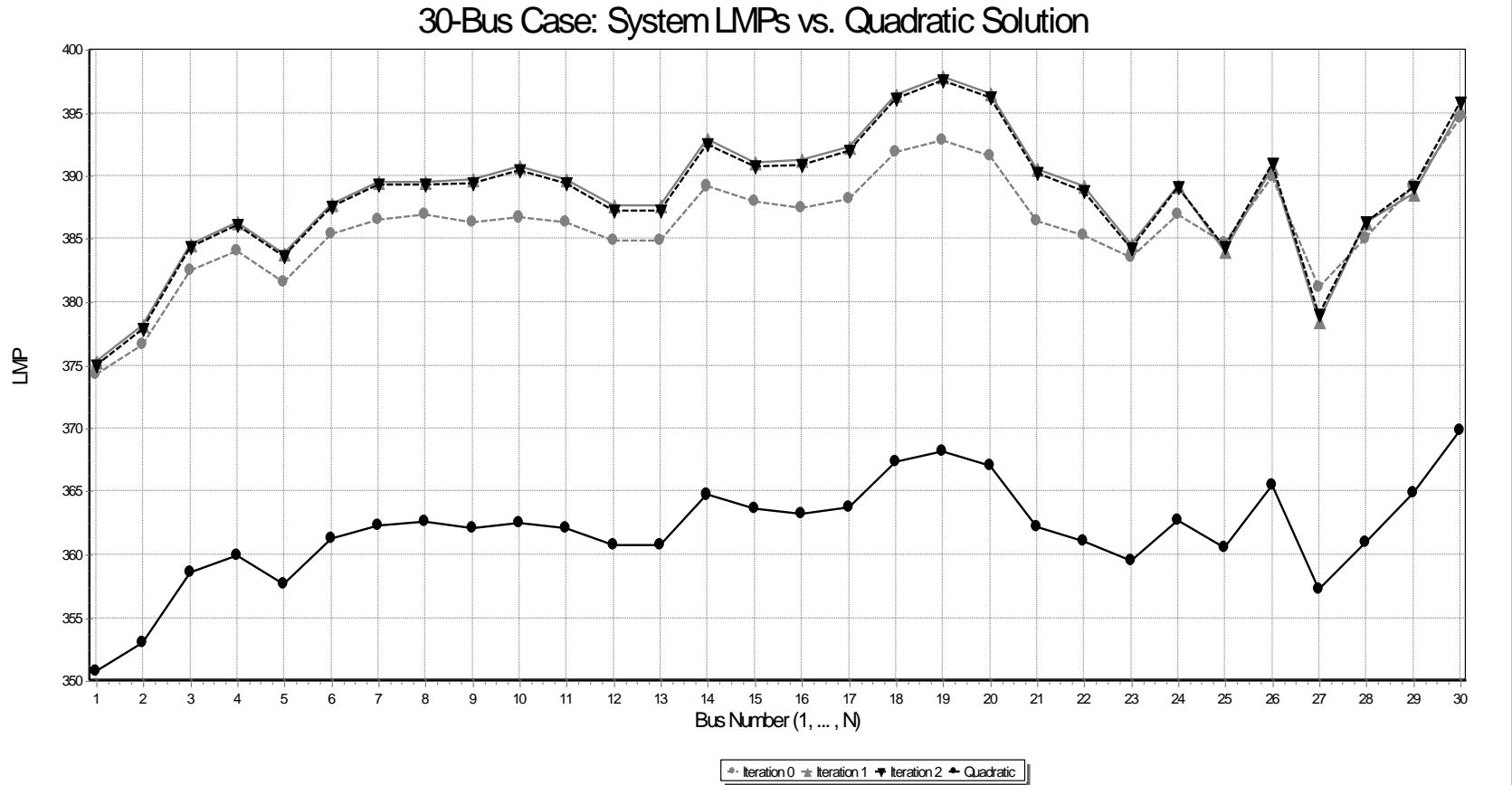
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