

Operations Planning Transmission Outage Analysis

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Reasons for Transmission Outage Analysis

- Ensure scheduled transmission
 Facility outages do not compromise system reliability
- Identify and resolve scheduling conflicts
- Coordinate outages to keep member's equipment maintenance and projects on schedule





- PJM studies forecast potential SOL and IROL exceedances and determine if they are controllable
- Long-term outage analysis studies are performed using peak load forecasts to find most stressful operating conditions
- An SOL and/or IROL exceedances found in studies can lead to congestion in real-time operations (i.e. unit redispatch)
- PJM study engineers alongside TO engineers work to find non-cost solutions to all identified SOL and IROL exceedances
- An "On-Time" outage without non-cost options but controllable SOL/IROL exceedances using generation redispatch is considered reliable and will be approved



- Seasonal Operations Assessment task Force (OATF)
- 6-Month Out Analysis
- 1-Month Out Analysis
- 3-Day Out Analysis
- 2-Day Out Analysis
- Day Ahead Analysis
- Pre-switching Real-time Analysis
- Ad-Hoc Analysis



- OATF study scope defined in PJM Manual 38, Attachment A
- Performed under direction of SOS-T
- Study of peak Summer and Winter periods
- Identify thermal overloads and voltage limit exceedances in N-1 analysis as well as switching and/or off-cost requirements
- Potentially develop operating procedures to handle issues discovered during study



Base Case and Contingencies

- ••MMWG base case
- ••Data supplied/reviewed by OATF members

Generator Outages

- ••Average generation metrics
- ••OATF member input

50-50 Non-diversified Load Forecast

- ••Peak values are aligned so each zone is at its peak load
- ••This results in RTO load total being elevated

PJM Interchange

••Consider Scheduled Firm Imports and Exports, including pseudoties and dynamic schedules and historical Interchange from last year top 10 peaks

Average Bid Data

Day ahead generator bid data from Markets

Renewable Generation

Average generation profile from top 10 peaks last year

Planned transmission outages

- ••Currently scheduled in eDart
- ••Outages scheduled for majority of study period



N-1 contingency analysis

8,000+ contingencies of equipment internal to PJM

External impacts

2500 contingencies of equipment in neighboring RRC zones

Transfer analysis

- ••Analysis of existing IROL interfaces
- Analysis of any potential new interface

Impacts of scheduled outages

Results in operating procedures or coordination of outages

Analysis of transfers into PJM load pockets

Analysis for any constraint or need for operating procedure

Maximum credible disturbances

1,900 contingencies

Analyze potential issues due to gas pipeline disruptions (Winter)

- ••About 50 contingencies analyzing credible segment and compressor station losses
- ••About 20 LDC contingencies

Potentially develop operating procedures to handle issues discovered during study



Transmission Outage Submittal Rules

PJM Manual-03 Section 4.2.1 and CTOA

Outage submission requirements:

FTR Auction	Status	Outage Duration	For "On-time" status Outage Request to be Submitted
Monthly Auction	1 Month Out Rule	All	Before the 1 st of the month prior to the starting month of the outage
Monthly Auction	6 Month Out Rule	Outage > 5 Calendar Days	Before the 1 st of the month six months prior to the starting month of the outage
Annual Auction	30 Day Rule	Outage > 30 Calendar Days	Before February 1 (for the following Planning Year June 1 – May 31)

Outage approval criteria:

- "On Time": outage will be approved if it does not jeopardize system reliability.
- "Late": outage may be cancelled if it causes congestion.
 - See PJM Manual 03 Section 4.2.9.1 for more information on Direct Billing



- 1-month out example:
 - A 3-day outage submitted on 1/31/2022 for 3/1/2022 will be considered on-time (or submitted for any time in March)
- 6-month out example:
 - A 15-day outage submitted on 5/31/2022 for 12/1/2022 will be considered on-time (or submitted for any time in December)
- Planning year example:
 - A 40-day outage submitted on 11/31/2021 for 6/1/2022 will be considered on-time (or submitted for any time in June)



Transmission Outage Rescheduling Rules

PJM Manual-03 Section 4.2.9

- Rescheduled outages due to weather or at PJM direction maintain On-Time status
- Revisions to the dates and duration of On-Time outages are allowed as long as the outage is scheduled to occur in the same month
- See PJM Manual-03 for additional examples

Example 1:

A 1-day long outage rescheduled from 1/1/22 to 2/1/22 due to a snow storm will maintain On-Time status because it was rescheduled due to weather

Example 2:

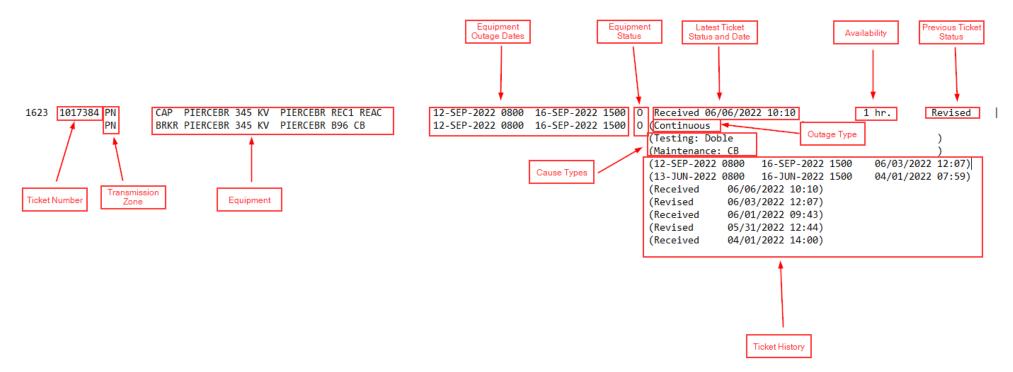
A 1-day long outage moved from 1/1/22 to 1/15/22 will maintain On-Time status because it was rescheduled for the same month

Example 3:

A 1-day long outage for 1/1/22 changed to a 6 day long outage for 1/1/22 – 1/6/22 on 12/1/21 will be considered "Late" since it violated the 6-month out submittal rule



- PJM posts all outages to the Outage Information page on PJM OASIS
 - Exception: market sensitive equipment
 - https://www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/etools/oasis/system-information/outage-info











1-month out study



3-day out
2-day out
Day-Ahead (RE)

Selective Coordination before 6 month out

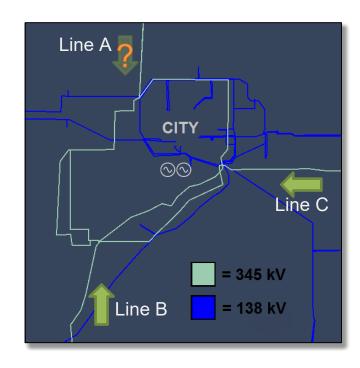
- Discussion of high profile outages in advance
- Transmission Owners can request "Ad Hoc" Studies for future outages

As soon as ticket is submitted, goes through "Conflict Identifier" logic

- Situational awareness tool to alert outage engineers of a potential conflict
- Manually created logic based on previous experiences

All tickets reviewed for correctness upon submission

- Performed Monday through Friday during regular business hours
- Reviewed by PJM Dispatchers for near-term tickets



Outage Coordination Responsibilities



6-month out study

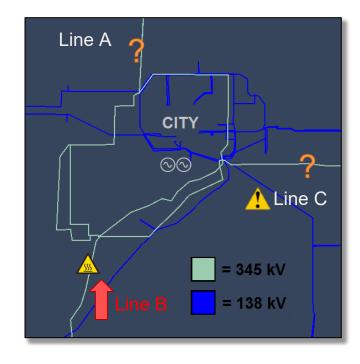


1-month out study



3-day out
2-day out
Day-Ahead (RE)

- Outage > 5 Calendar Days
 - For on time status
 - Additional studies for outages > 30 days
- Coordination between generation and transmission outages
- Many variables to consider:
 - Load (Study with High Loads)
 - Other Planned outages
 - Future topology due to system upgrades





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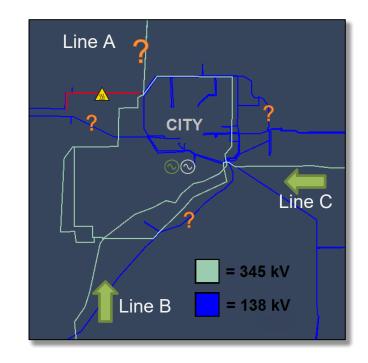


1-month out study



3-day out
2-day out
Day-Ahead (RE)

- All on-time outages
 - (New Outages <= 5 calendar days long)
- Each day of the upcoming month is studied individually
- Coordination between generation and transmission outages
- Study with Monthly High Load Forecast (LAS subcommittee)
- Focus on transmission conflict resolution
- Monthly meetings with Transmission Owners
- Coordination with neighboring RTO/ISO





Outage Coordination Responsibilities



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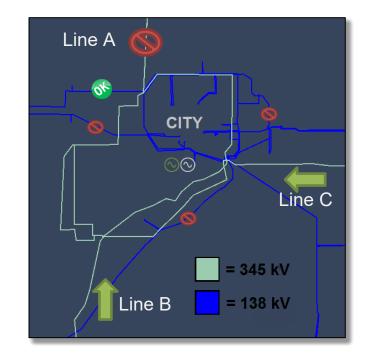


1-month out study



3-day out
2-day out
Day-Ahead (RE)

- 3-Day Out Study
 - Fewer unknown variables as study horizon draws closer to real-time
 - Coordination between PJM Operations and Markets
- 2 Day Out Study
 - Engineer performs study similar to 3-day study
 - Approval/denial of each outage ticket is made by 2:00 PM
- Day Ahead/2-Pass (by Reliability Engineer)
 - Results are submitted to the PJM Markets group by 10:00 AM







- Dispatch reviews upcoming tickets and expected impacts
- Dispatcher reviews individual ticket with Transmission Owner
 - Switching is coordinated
 - Outage is studied prior to switching
 - Results and mitigating actions are reviewed





Study Timeline



- Tickets are mainly comprised of long duration outages due to PJM submittal rules
- Helps PJM identify long duration conflicting outages



- PJM studies each operating day for the upcoming month using peak load forecast for that month
- Monthly meetings with TOs and RCs



- Evaluate upcoming system conditions using more accurate load forecasts
- Approve/deny transmission outagesbusiness days prior to operating day



- Forecast system conditions based on most up to date load, generation, and transmission outage information
- Evaluate using market committed generation



- Evaluate all transmission outages for reliability impacts prior to switching
- Coordinate switching with neighboring TOs/RC

6-Month Out

1-Month Out

3-Day Out / 2-Day Out

Day Ahead

Operating Day

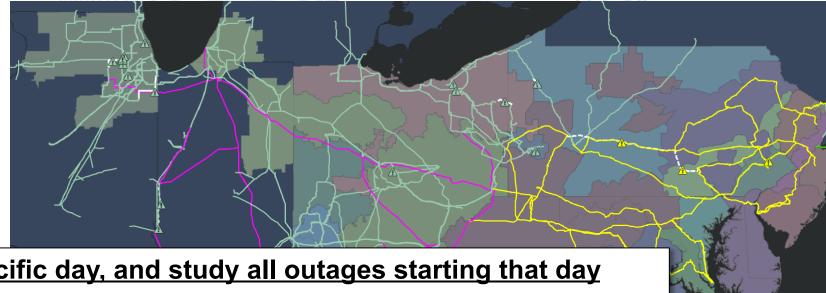
The process above is followed to evaluate and predict system conditions for each Operating Day



Outage Analysis







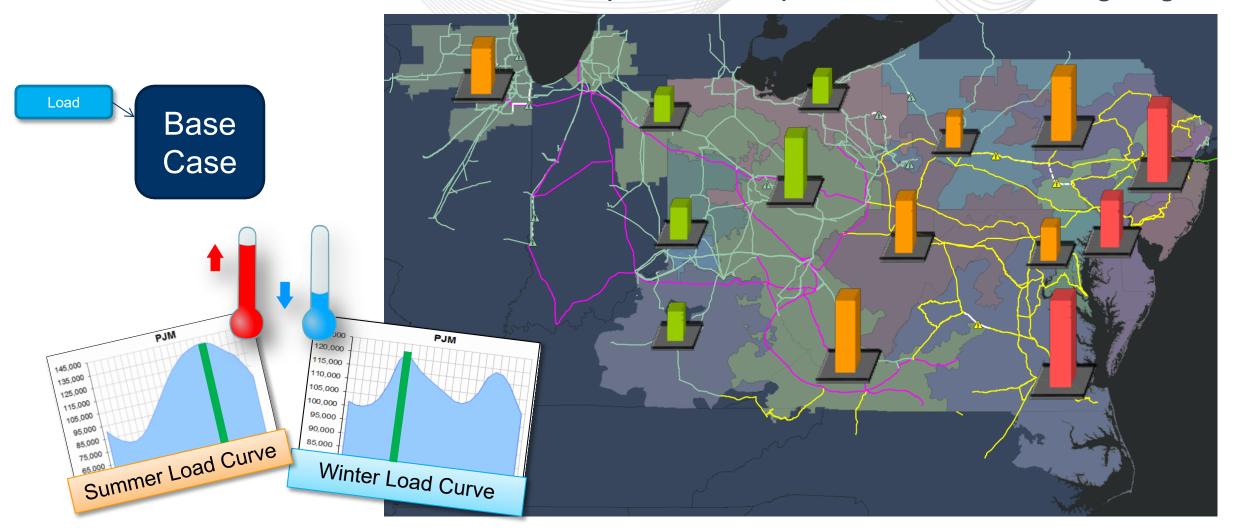
Build a base case for a specific day, and study all outages starting that day

- "Study Mode" of EMS model (replica of dispatch EMS)
- The load at forecasted levels.
- The most economic generation running to match load, loses, and interchange.
- All transmission/generation outages from previous days removed from service.
- Any control actions required to control for previous transmission outages.



Load:

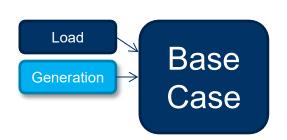
How much power is required and where is it going?

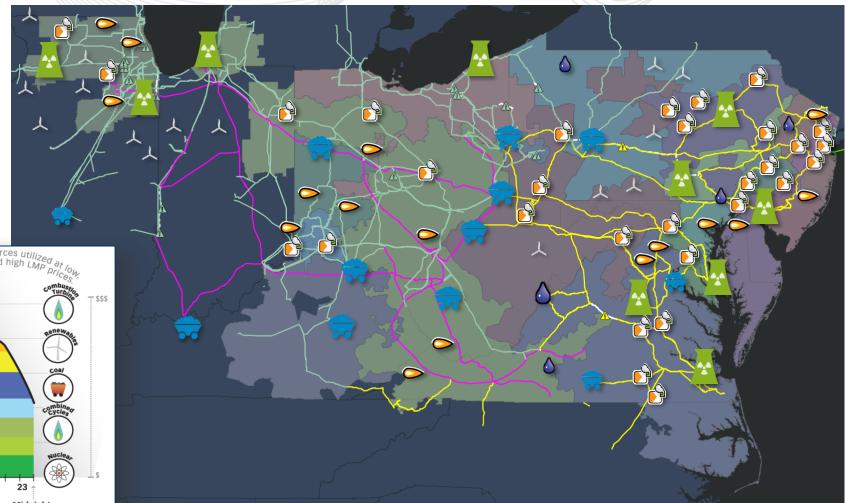


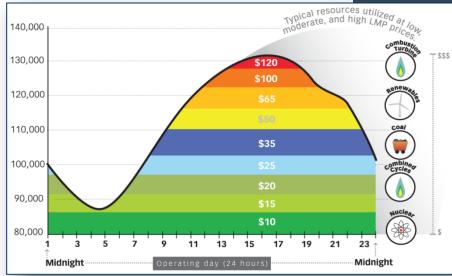


Generation

Where is the power coming from?



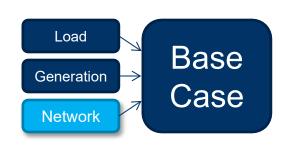






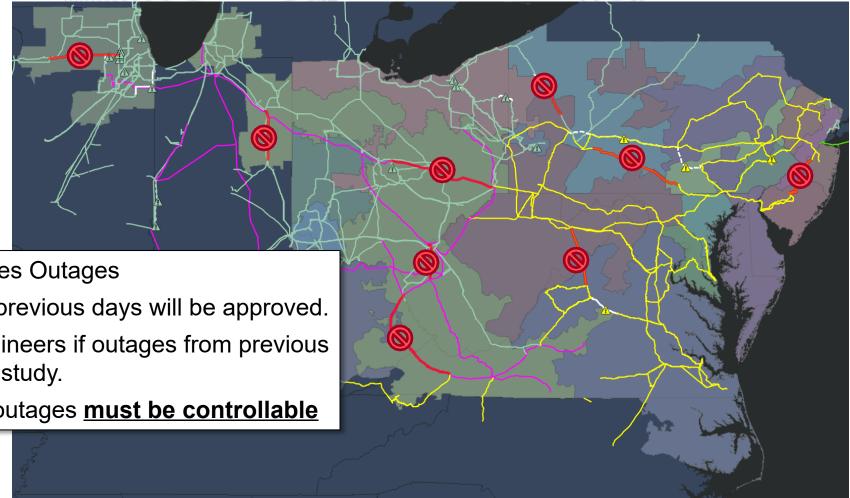
Network:

How is the power getting there?



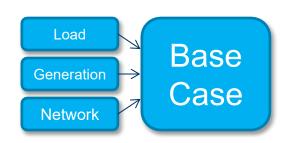


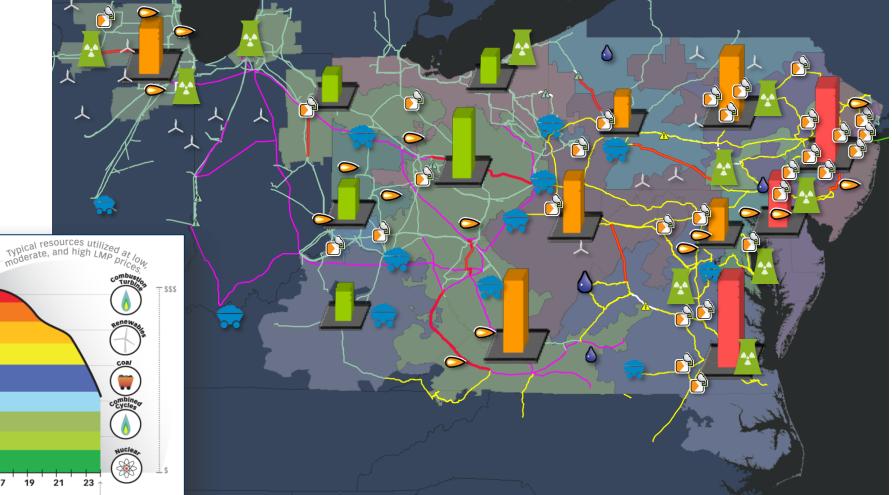
- Assume all outages from the previous days will be approved.
- Will work with other study engineers if outages from previous days cause congestion in our study.
- All congestion from previous outages must be controllable

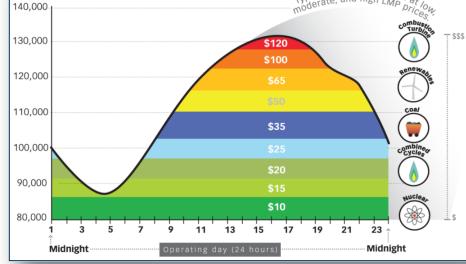




Base Case Ready!

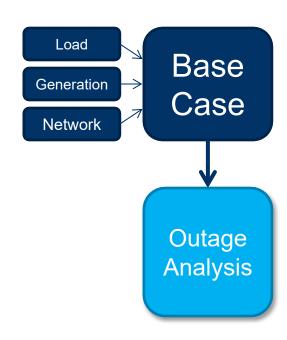








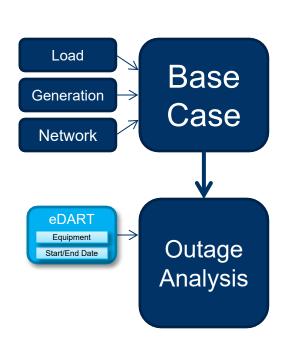
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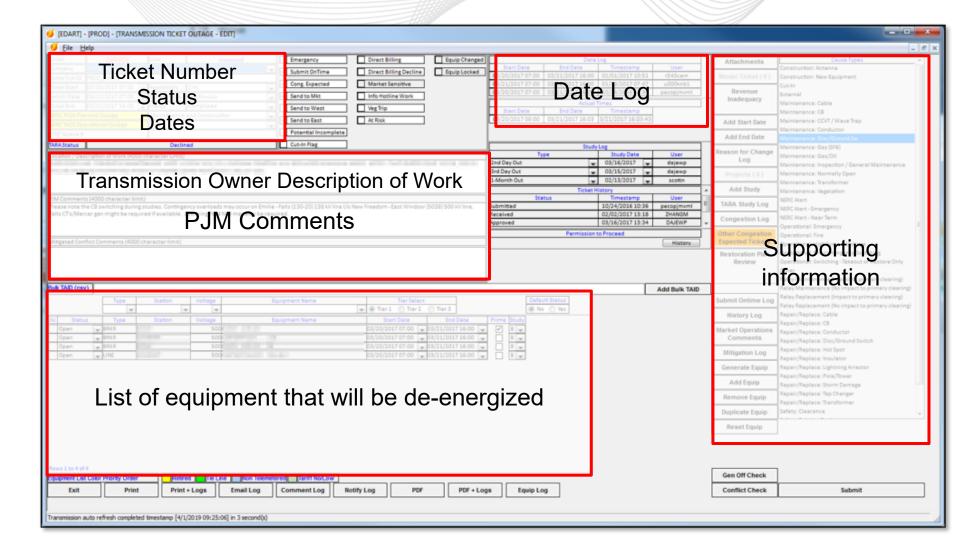






Electronic Dispatcher Applications Reporting Tool (eDART)

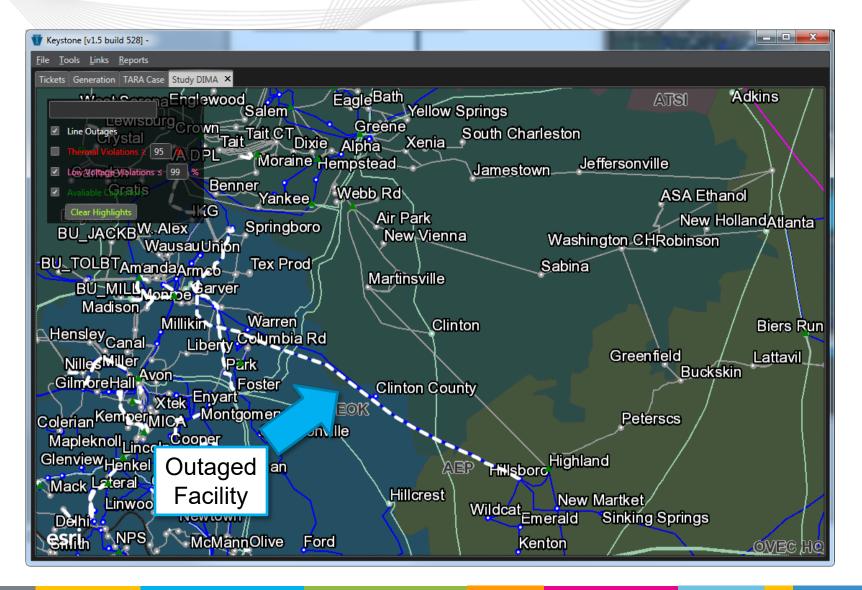






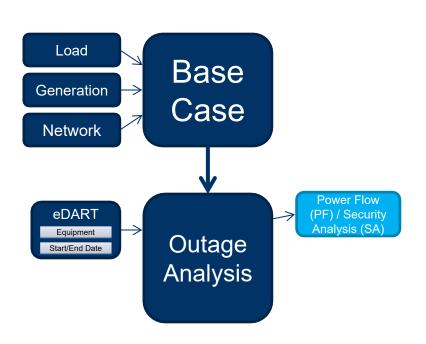
Generation Network Base Case Network Case Outage Analysis

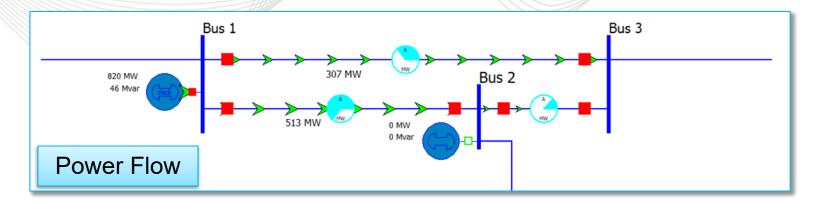
Remove Facilities from Service

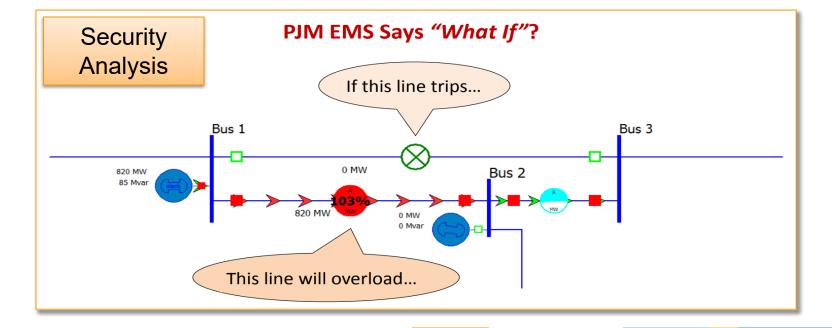




Power Flow and Security Analysis

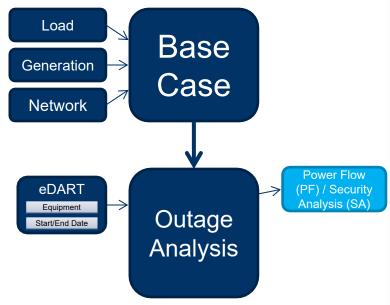


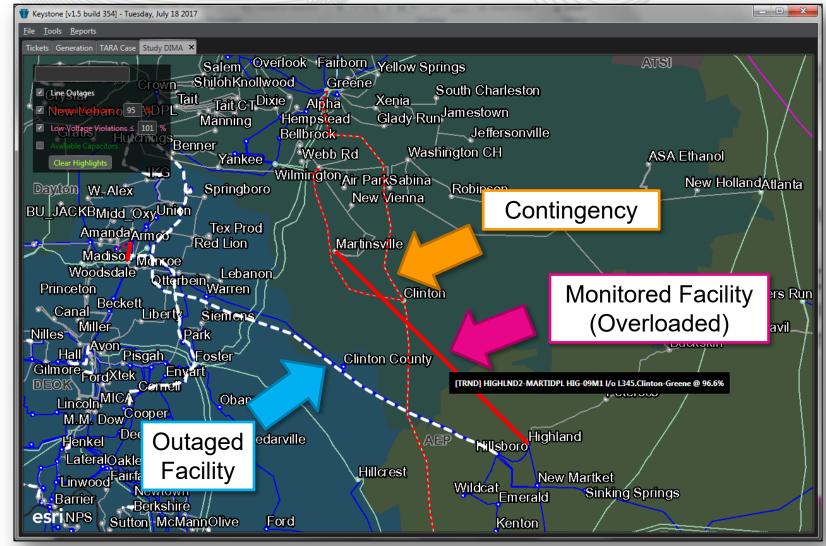






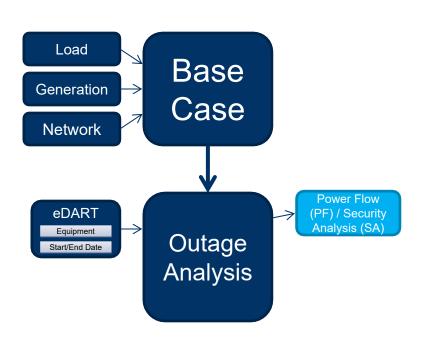
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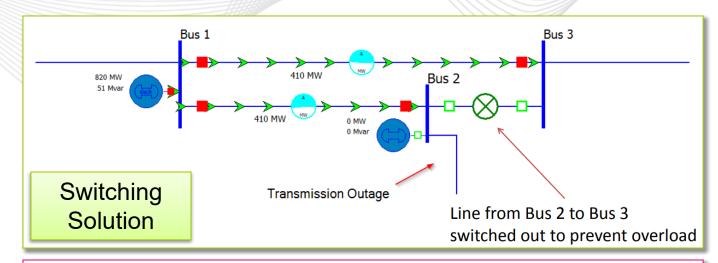


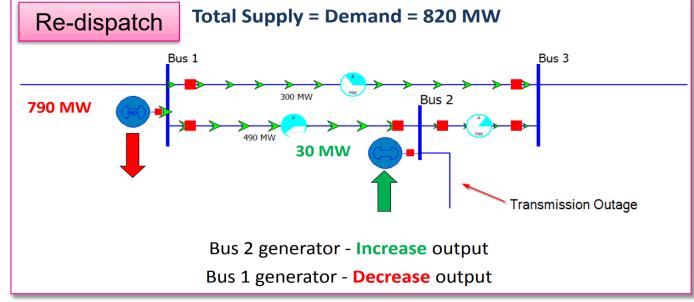




Controlling for SOL/IROL Exceedances









- PJM has multiple ways of identifying switching solutions
 - Switching Solutions on PJM OASIS
 - https://www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/etools/oasis/system-information/switching-solutions.aspx
 - Topology Control application
 - Switching solution provided by the TO
 - PJM EMS Study package
 - Active or upcoming switching solutions are posted to the Outage Information page on PJM OASIS
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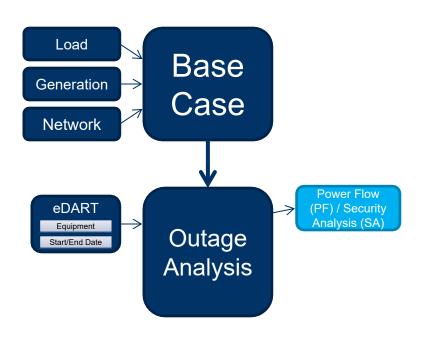


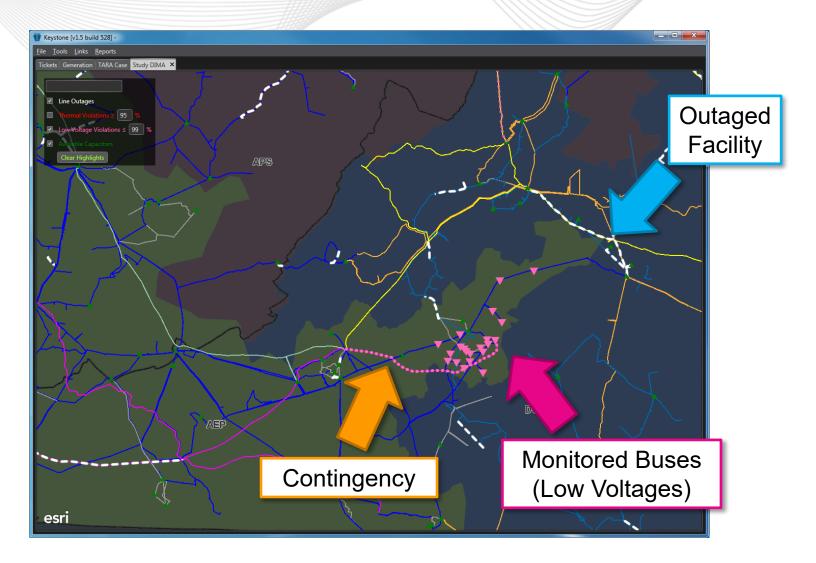
Other non-cost options include:

- Phase Angle Regulator (PAR) moves
- Placing series devices in or out of service
- Placing shunt reactive devices in or out of service
- Adjusting unit or SVC reactive output
- Adjusting transformer taps



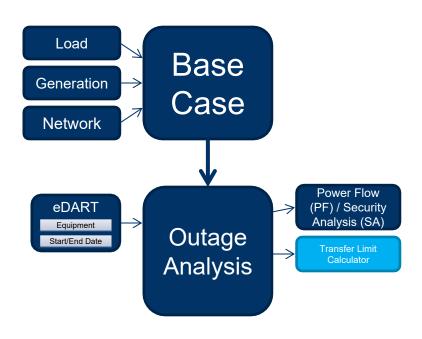
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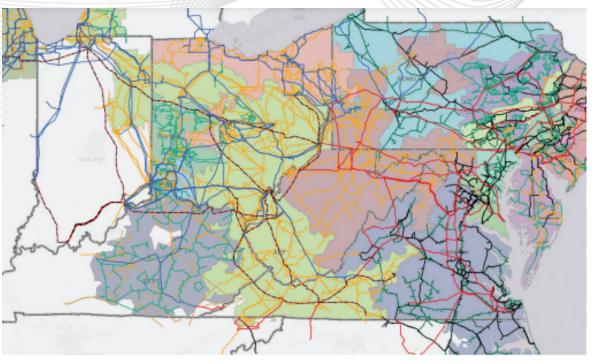






Transfer Limit Calculator (TLC)

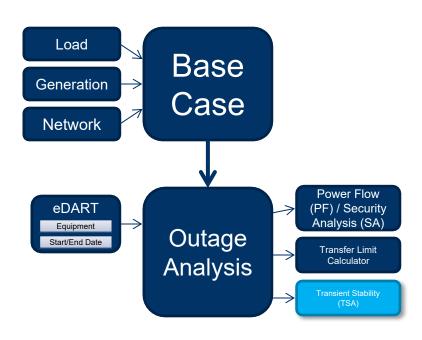




- Helps PJM operators and engineers identify potential wide-area voltage issues
- Used to dynamically calculate pre-identified PJM IROLs
- Calculates the amount of available transfer capability from source to sink across a cut set of lines
- Transmission line outages, especially EHV outages, can decrease the amount of available transfer capability



Transient Stability Analysis

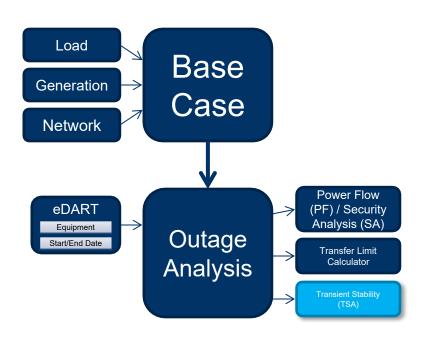


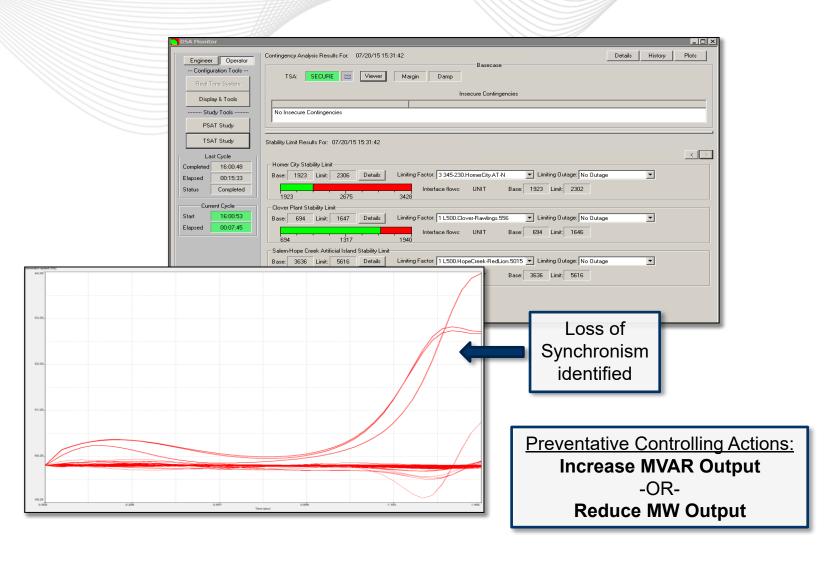


- Transient Stability ensures PJM is not risking any generator damage during transient conditions
- A fault occurs, as system reacts, generators may lose synchronism
- Transmission facility outages increase the likelihood of transient instability

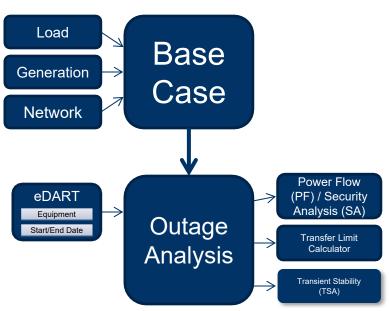


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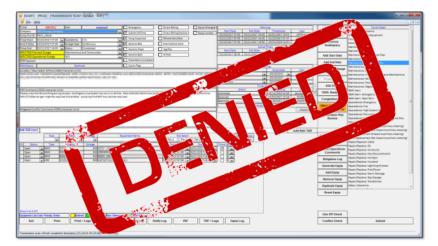




Reasons to deny a transmission outage request:

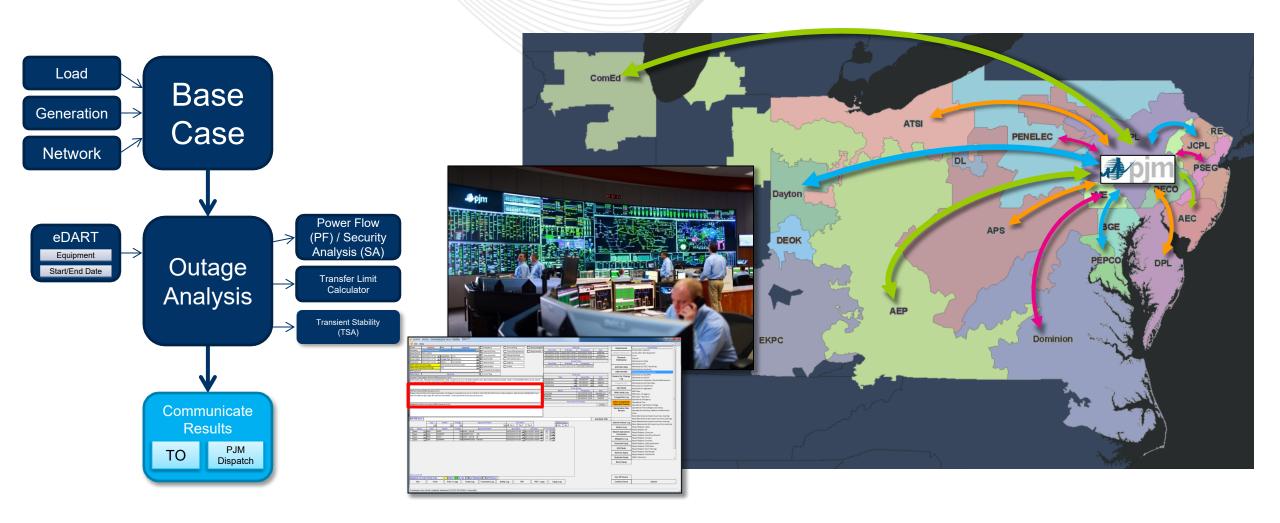
- Uncontrollable reliability (SOL/IROL) exceedances
- Uncontrollable reliability issues due to a conflict
- Does not meet Peak Period Outage Scheduling criteria (PJM Manual 03 Section 4.2.6)
- Outage was "Late" and causes reliability issues or has potential to result in system congestion
- Outage submitted after Day Ahead Market run has begun

A denied "On-Time" outage will maintain its on time status when rescheduled



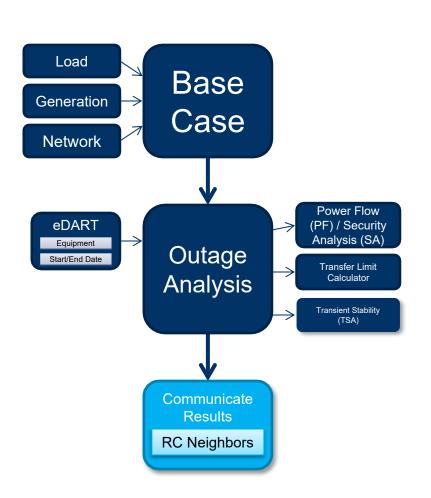


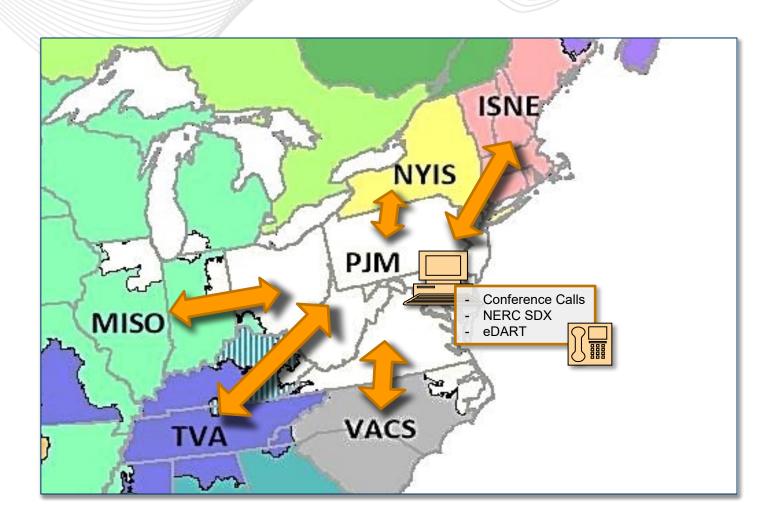
Communication: Transmission Owners and PJM Dispatch





Communication: Reliability Coordinator Neighbors

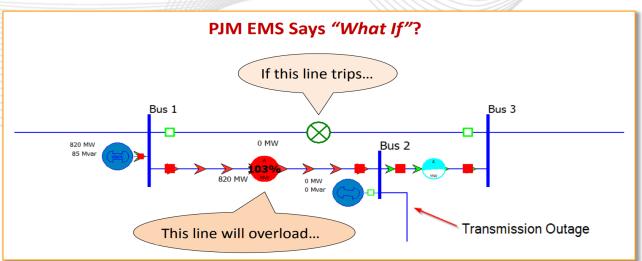


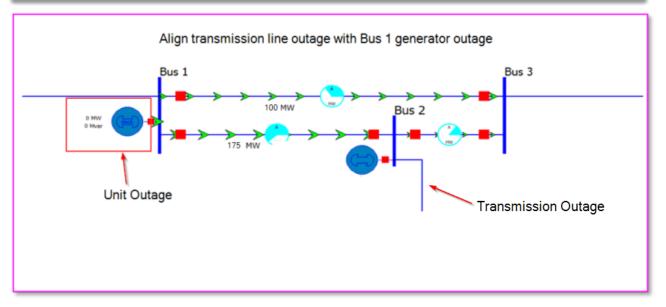




Transmission and Generation Outage Coordination

- PJM Manual 3 Section 4.2.13
- TO is responsible for coordinating transmission outages that will force an area generator offline
- Planned generator outage requests are given priority over planned transmission outage requests
- PJM resolves conflicts based on system reliability:
 - Coordinate major outages to minimize anticipated constrained operations
 - Recommend adjustment to outage schedules to coincide with generator outages
 - Communicate with submitting PJM Members to assist in attempting to minimize the forecast PJM RTO production cost based on anticipated market-based prices



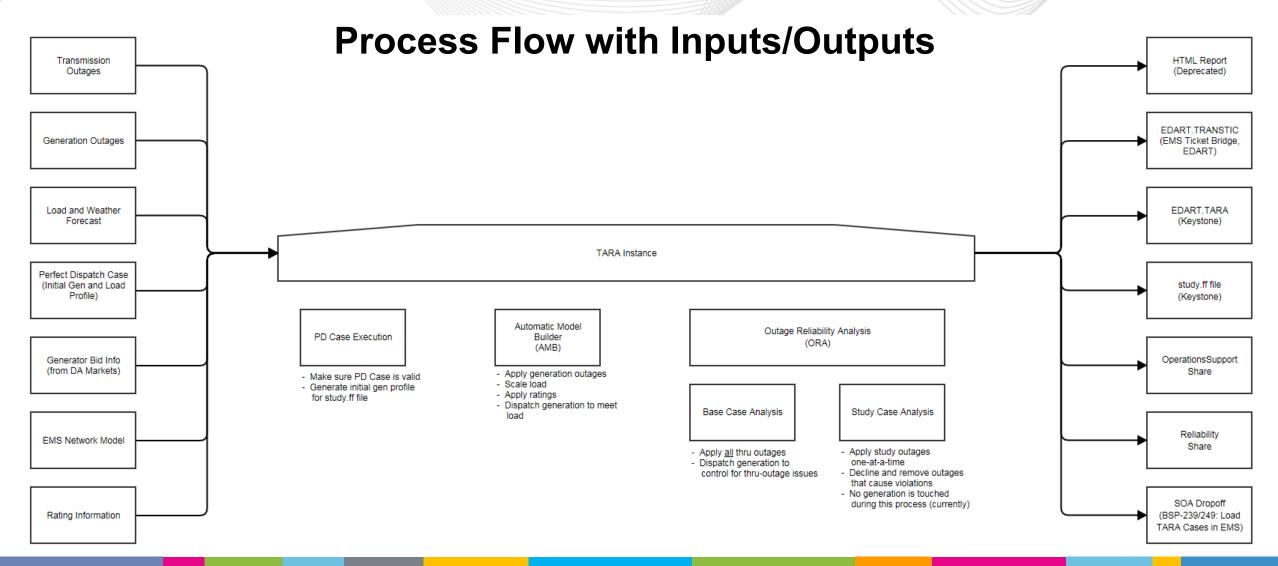




Outage Automation



TARA: Outage Automation





Peak Load

- Single case
- Daily peak

Hourly

- 24 discrete hourly cases
- Hourly peak

Ticket Horizon

- Lifetime of ticket
- Daily peak

Ad Hoc

- User selected date range
- Custom load profile





Case Building:

- Completing a Base Case only gets us to a starting point for studying outages
- ☐ If historical cases do not align with the projected load for a given study day 1 to 5 hours can be spent just getting to where they can begin their study.

5 haurs later...





Study Engineer without TARA	Study Engineer with TARA
1 study period per engineer	Analyzes multiple periods per engineer
8 to 12 hrs of base case clean-up for long-term study	Average less than 1 hour of basecase clean-up for long-term outages
Analyze every ticket for a given day	Focus on outages with pre-identified issues
Ad-Hoc studies requires more time	Quick turn around on Ad-Hoc studies
	Industry Leader of outage study automation



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