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# Electric Vehicles Aggregation Agents: a Business Opportunity

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# EV Aggregation Agent

## Concept

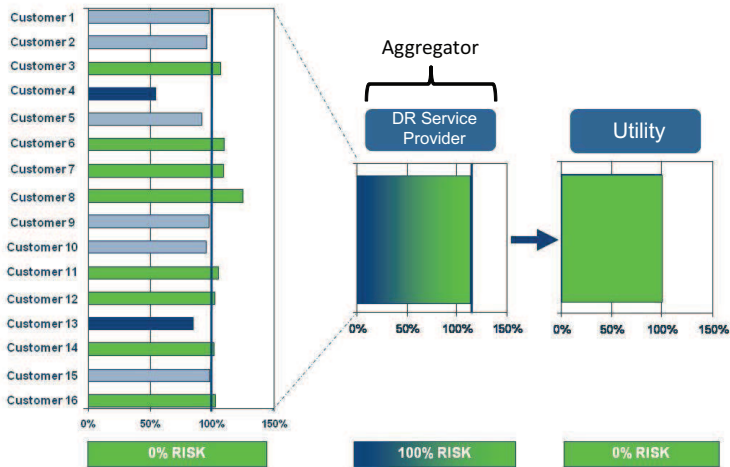
Intermediary between EV drivers, electricity market, distribution system operator (DSO) and transmission system operator (TSO)

The main reasons for the deployment of EV aggregators are:

- current market rules do not allow the individual participation of small loads (minimum bid is 5 MW)
- facilitates the interaction with the DSO for solving technical issues
- mitigates the forecast errors of EV load
- with an appropriate strategy, it can offer competitive retailing tariffs

# EV Aggregation Agent: present or future?

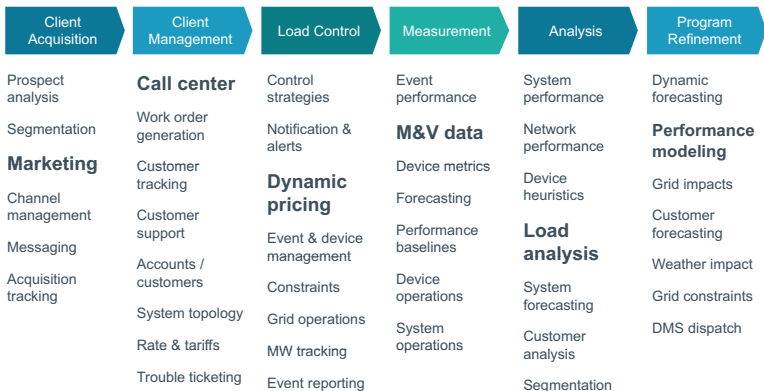
*"A diverse portfolio ensures reliability"*



# EV Aggregation Agent: present or future?

in the U.S. companies like **EnerNOC** and **Comverge** operate in a potential \$4–5 billion market, managing demand response capacity of more than 30 GW

## Wide Range of Services



# EV Aggregation Agent: present or future?

...and in Europe

**Entelios is Germany's first Demand Response Aggregator and has taken a market leading role in Europe.**

## Facts

☒ **Founded 2010**

☒ **Services:**

- Demand Response **Aggregation**
- Demand Response **as-a-Service** to utilities and TSOs
- Intelligent Energy **Efficiency Services**

☒ **Focus:**

**Industrial, Commercial & Institutional** load control & management

☒ **Offices:**

Germany – Berlin and Munich.  
Development team in India.



# EV Aggregation Agent: present or future?

Presently, EV Aggregators are start-up companies

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SMART GRID powered by V2G

V2G is a Proven Technology

- Spin-off of University of Delaware
- More than \$2.5 invested in the solution
- Up to 9 Electric Vehicles aggregated over 24 months
- Achieved between \$200 - \$500 annual revenue per KW per vehicle in trial

The next step is to commercialize and scale the technology around the world.



**Prof. Willett Kempton**, Nuvve's CTO has been working on this problem since 1996, looking for the most economic and ecologic solution based on Electric Vehicles

## EV Aggregation Agent: present or future?

Other candidate companies for an EV aggregator are:

- **Better Place:** core business consists in a creation of an Electric Recharge Grid Operator
- **REIV2G:** aggregating EV for participating in the PJM and NYISO markets
- **Coulomb Technologies:** with their Chargepoint network is capable of aggregation
- **Intel:** developed an intelligent energy management system for EV (with aggregator)

# PhD Thesis

## **Development of Methodologies for Technical and Economic Management of Aggregation Agents of EV**

### **Objective**

Develop a business model, optimization and forecasting algorithms for the participation of an EV aggregator in the electricity market

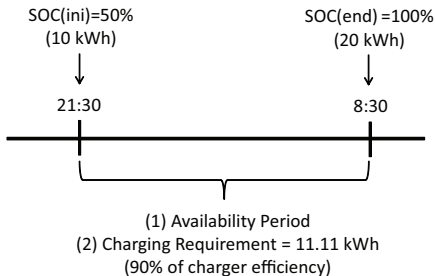


# Business Model of an EV Aggregator

- Three type of clients are envisioned
  - **flexible**: direct control of the charging process
  - **inflexible**: **no** direct control, simple retailer
  - **mix**: inflexible when plugged-in to public and fast charging stations; flexible in slow charging points (e.g., household)
- The aggregator offers cheap charging tariffs to flexible clients
- Inflexible clients pay a normal tariff that can be competitive for attracting new clients
- The vehicle-to-grid (V2G) mode is not considered
  - a operating point is defined  $P$  (purchased electrical energy)
  - upward reserve:  $P - P^{up}$
  - downward reserve:  $P + P^{down}$
- The aggregator supports all the financial costs of deviations from market bids (i.e., takes all the risk)

## Bussines Model of an EV Aggregator

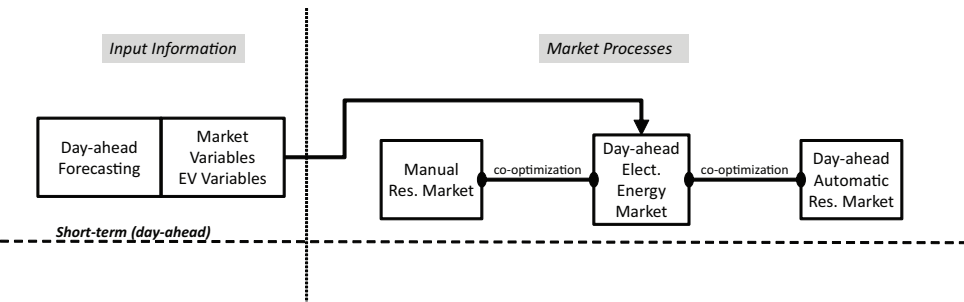
- The fundamental goal is to keep the driver's autonomy
- The contract with the aggregator establishes the following:
  - the driver when parks for charging defines the target SOC and charging completion hour
  - a default profile is defined for the availability period (e.g., 6 hrs) and target SOC (e.g., 100%)
  - the EV is completely free to arrive for charging and depart before charging completion
  - use the minimum information about the driver



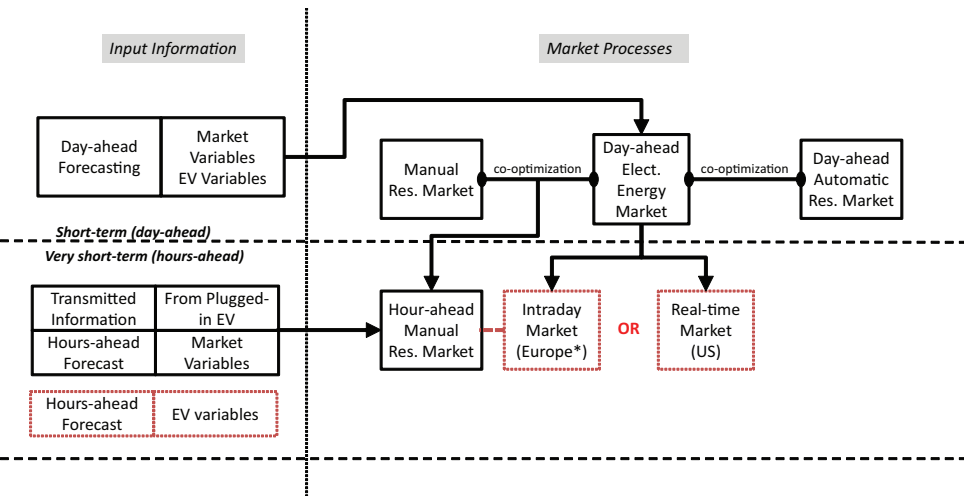
# Electricity Market Opportunities

- Participation in the electrical energy market
  - control the charging process for decreasing the wholesale costs
- Participation in the manual (tertiary) reserve market
  - downward reserve is cheap charging, upward reserve is profit from reducing consumption
- Participation in the automatic (secondary) reserve market
  - receive a payment for being in standby as reserve capacity

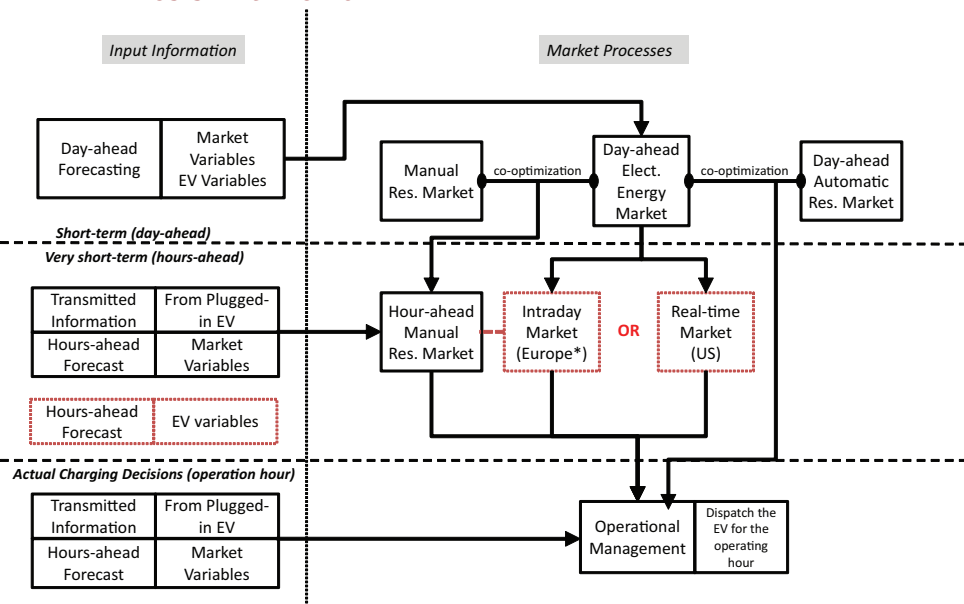
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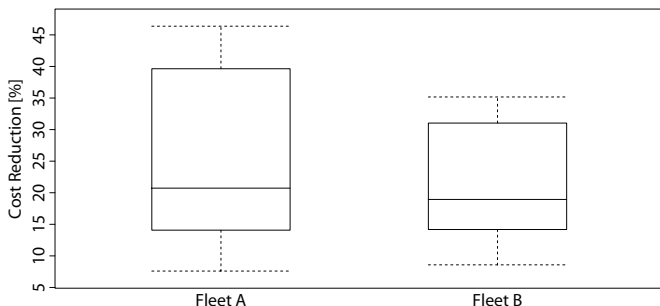
## Results for Two EV Fleets

Participation in the electrical energy market (Portugal)

### Breakeven Tariffs

	Flexible Clients	Inflexible Clients
Fleet A	0.033 kWh	0.045 kWh
Fleet B	0.035 kWh	0.042 kWh

+ participation in the manual (tertiary) reserve market (Portugal)



# Wrap Up

- The aggregator is important for several stakeholders:
  - is financially attractive for EV owners (is the *hard worker*)
  - offers controllability and ancillary services to system operators
  - promotes the full participation of demand-side resources in the electricity market
- This thesis covers only one part of the business, and the mid and long-term horizons are also important
  - marketing strategies
  - determination of retailing tariffs value and schemes
  - participation in financial markets
- The ideas and models from this thesis can be adopted by aggregators of other types of flexible loads



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