The Regional Power Grid Team

Presentation # 3: Network Results

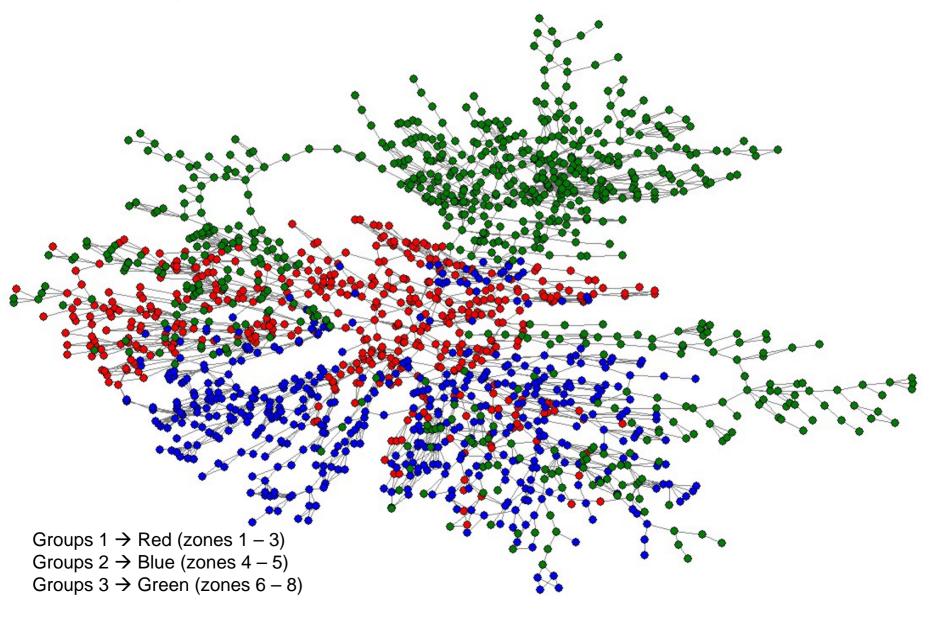
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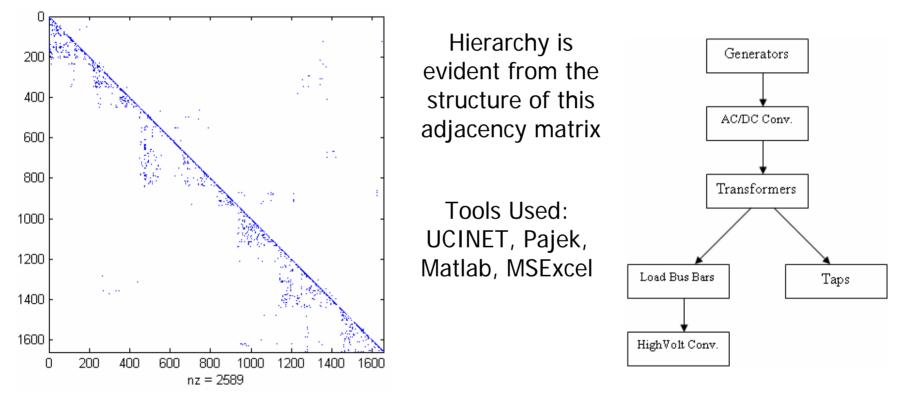
Power Grid Agenda Items

- Building Network Matrix and Images
- Network Level Results
- Zone Level Results
- Comparisons and Insights
- Comments, Questions and Answers

Building Adjacency Matrix: 8 zones to 3 groups

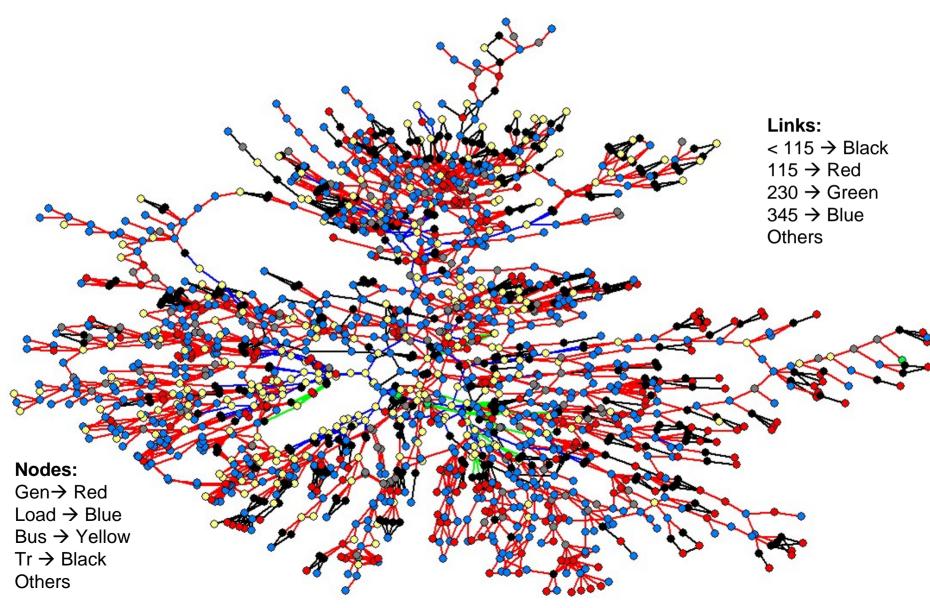


Adjacency Matrix for Grid

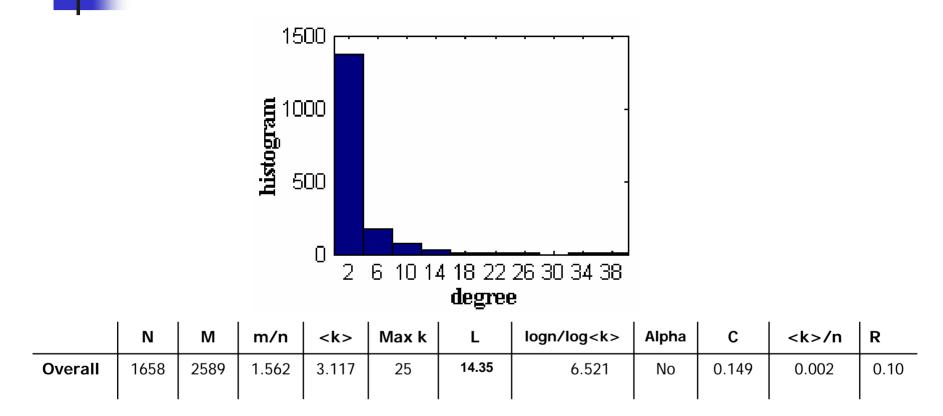


- More than 1600 nodes and more than 2500 links
- Each block (below diagonal) pertains to a zone in this power pool
- Off-diagonal entries (far off) show inter-zonal and high voltage links

Overall Power Grid



Degree Distribution Histogram

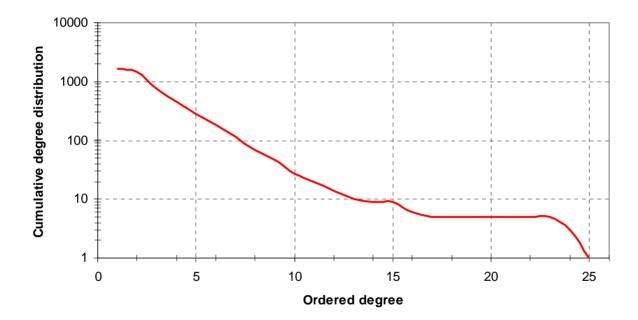


- Most nodes (more than 90%) only have two other connections
- Very few (only 27) nodes have a degree above 10
- Most nodes are localized, with few central ones (critical to network)

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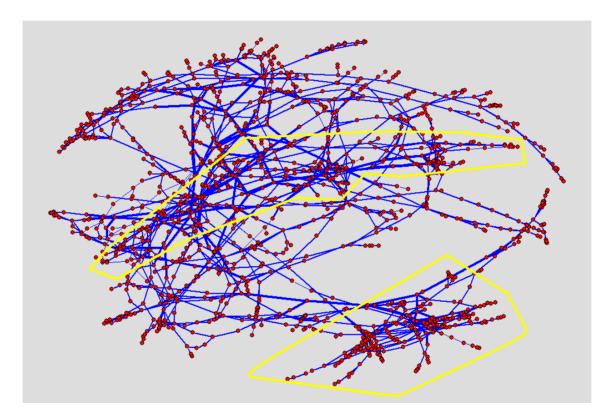
Degree Distribution on log-lin

Cumulative degree distribution - Overall Grid



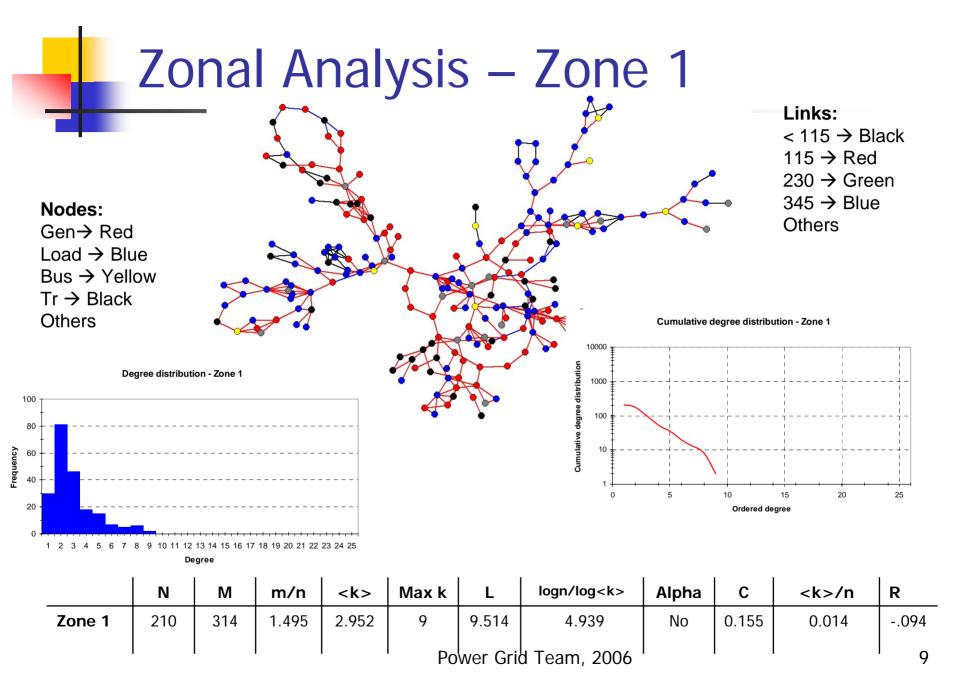
- Exponential degree distribution (looking at whole curve)
- Distribution depends on the scale chosen for degrees
- Small world effect high clustering coefficient and similar path length as compared to a random network

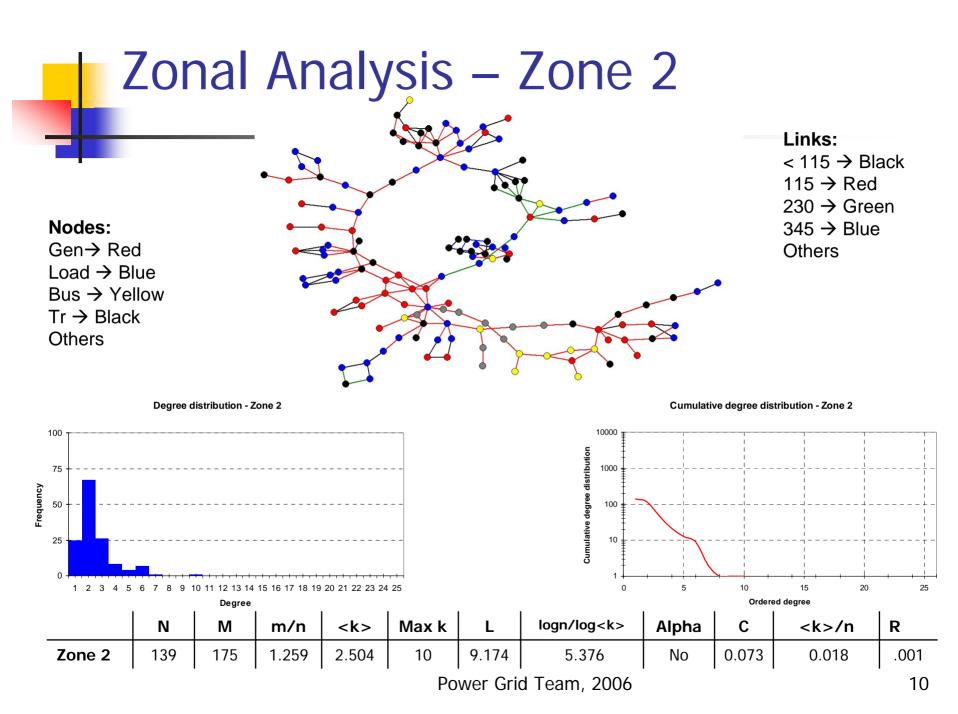
Homogenized Network Image

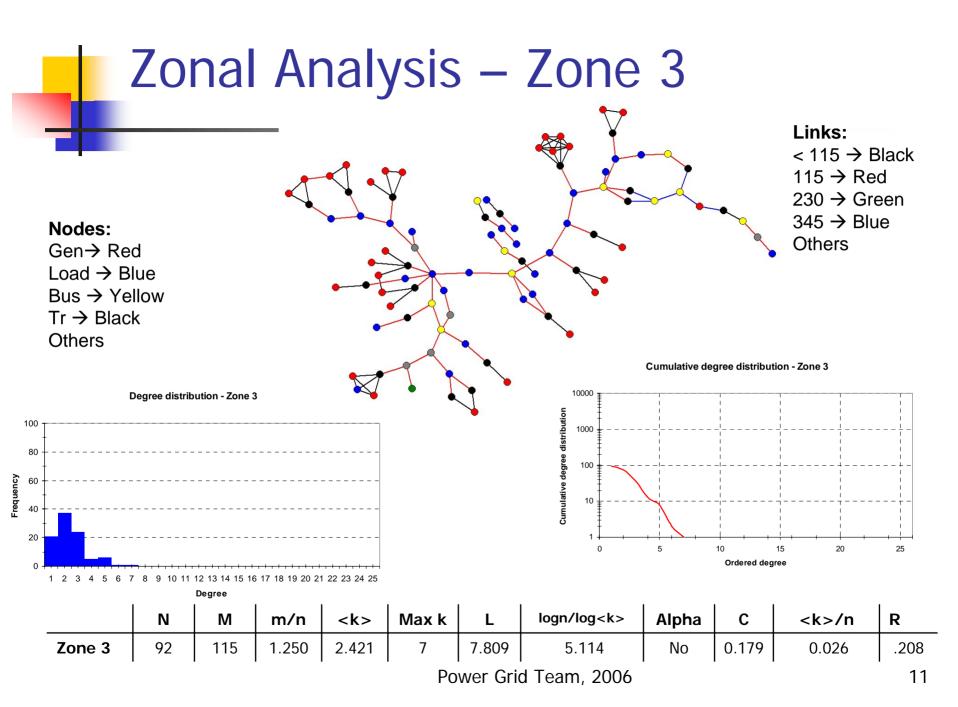


- Two congested zones in the grid (in yellow) namely zone 4 and zone 8
- 345 kV lines are "backbone" for grid level, 115 kV lines for zonal level
- Less congested zones have smaller lines and sparsely distributed nodes

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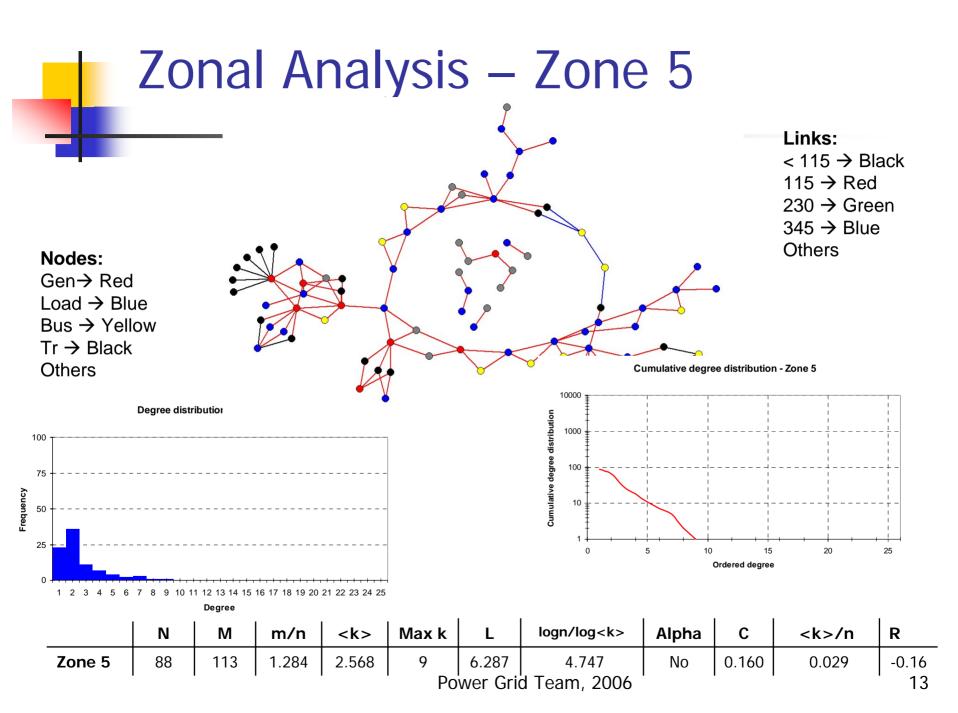


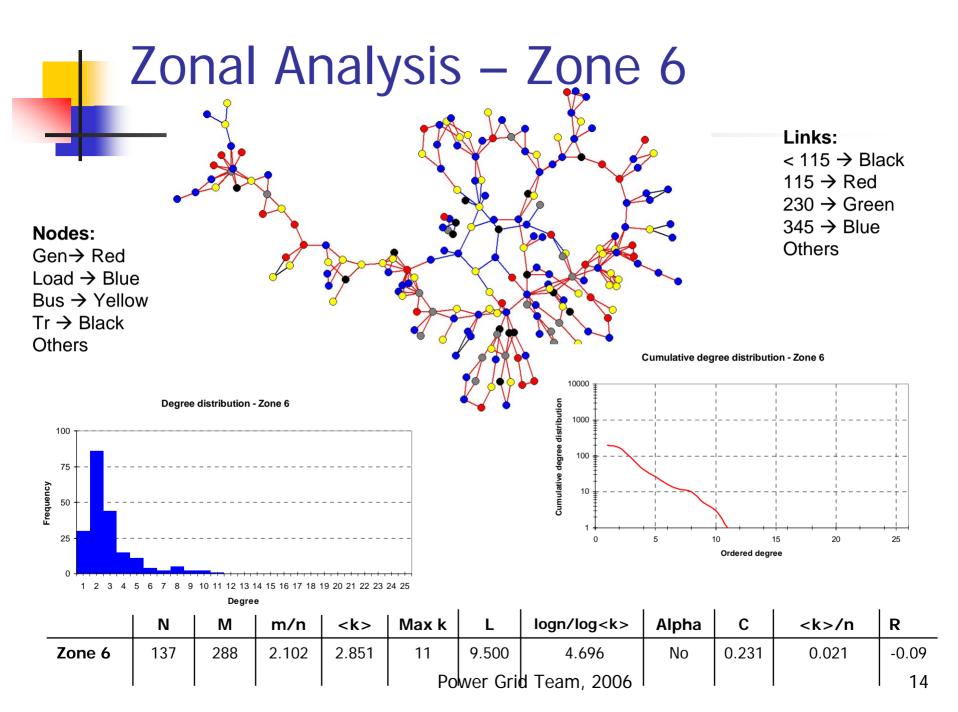


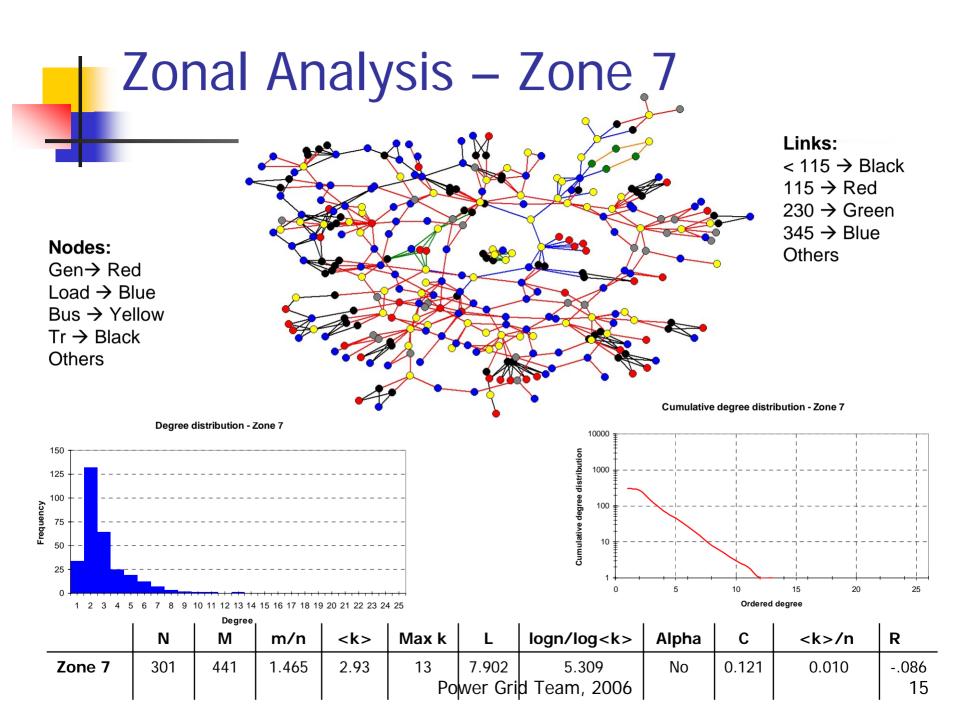


Notes on Zones 1 - 3

- These three zones are the most sparse in terms of nodes and links, and relatively small
- Lots of localized generation zone 3 has some large units (export power to rest of grid)
- Degree correlations of zone 1, zone 2 are ~0, zone 3 is ~0.2 (highly connected generators)
- Average path length is smaller than overall
 Edge to node ratio is low
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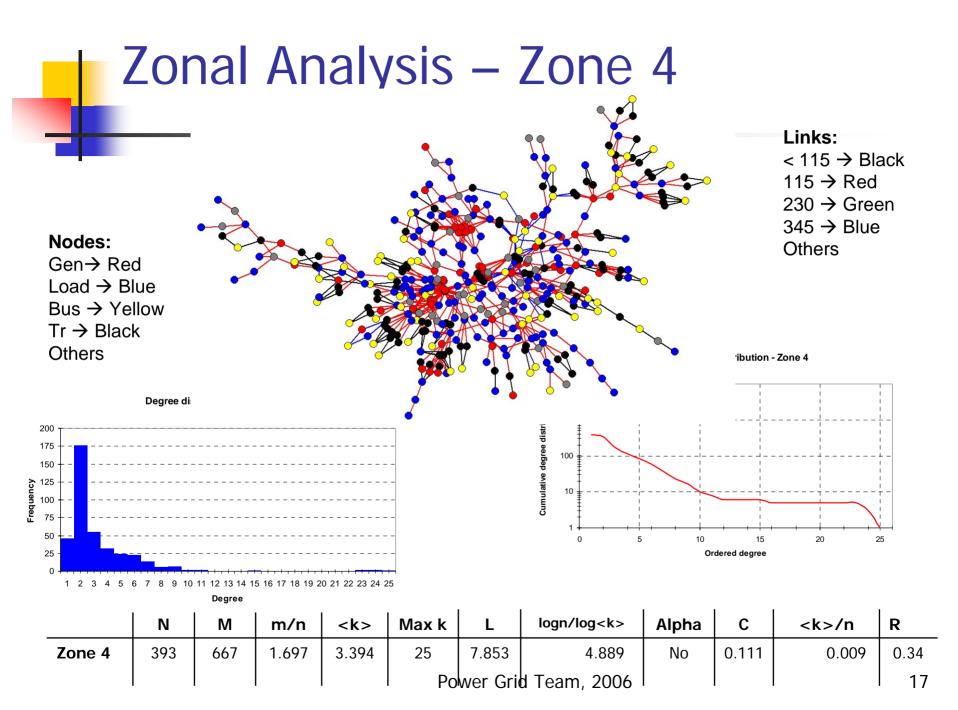


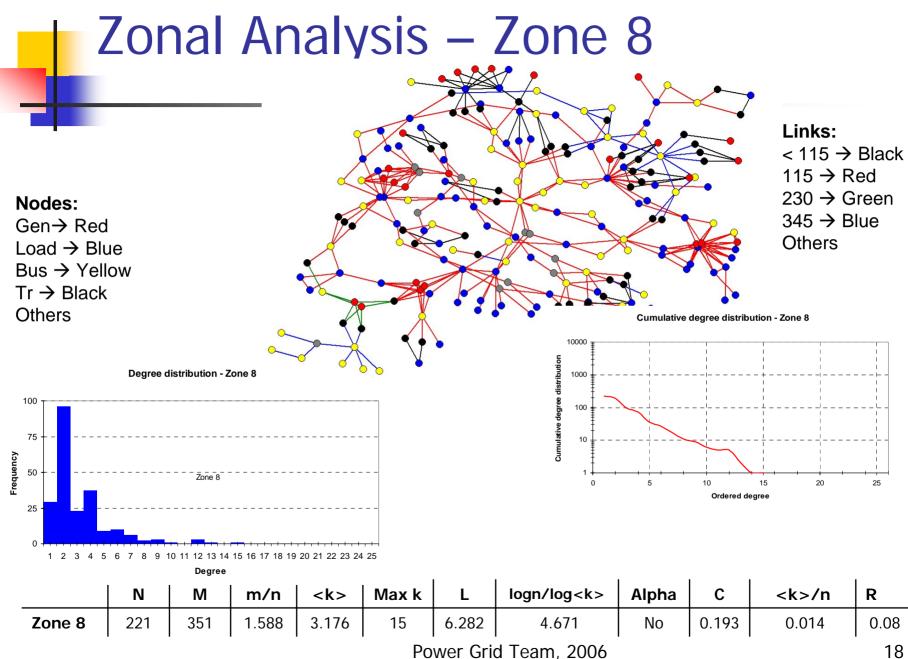




Notes on Zones 5 - 7

- These zones are intermediate in terms of nodal (and also population) density, load vs. generation balances out
- High voltage lines in these zones are also grid's backbone
- The degree correlation is negative for all three, which is different from other zones
- Removing these interconnecting lines to other zones leaves one zone (5) highly disconnected





Notes on Zone 4 and Zone 8

- This sub-group, especially zone 4, is very densely populated and generation-starved. Congestion component of locational marginal price is high
- Smaller lines form the backbone of these zones, that is lots of load nodes coming off the grid
- Two critical nodes lies in zone 8, which also has fair amount of office buildings and industry → demand
- Avg. path length is relatively short, m/n is higher
- Clustering coefficient is relatively higher, degree correlation is positive (as high as 0.34 in zone 4)

Zonal Comparative Analysis - Summary Metrics

Entity	N	М	m/n	<k></k>	Max k	L	logn/log <k></k>	Alpha	С	<k>/n</k>	R
WestGrid	4941	6594	1.335	2.67	34	18.990	8.661	No	0.080	0.001	0.004
NewGrid	1658	2589	1.562	3.117	25	14.354	6.521	No	0.149	0.002	0.100
Zone 1	210	314	1.495	2.952	9	9.514	4.939	No	0.155	0.014	-0.094
Zone 2	139	175	1.259	2.504	10	9.174	5.376	No	0.073	0.018	0.001
Zone 3	92	115	1.250	2.421	7	7.809	5.114	No	0.179	0.026	0.208
Zone 4	393	667	1.697	3.394	25	7.853	4.889	No	0.111	0.009	0.340
Zone 5	88	113	1.284	2.568	9	6.287	4.747	No	0.160	0.029	-0.160
Zone 6	137	288	2.102	2.851	11	9.500	4.696	No	0.231	0.021	-0.090
Zone 7	301	441	1.465	2.93	13	7.902	5.309	No	0.121	0.010	-0.086
Zone 8	221	351	1.588	3.176	15	6.282	4.671	No	0.193	0.014	0.080

There are less than two links per node, signifying lots of them are terminal

Clustering coefficient is 0.15 and average path length ~14

Pearson coefficient positive which is different from technological networks

Comments on Comparisons

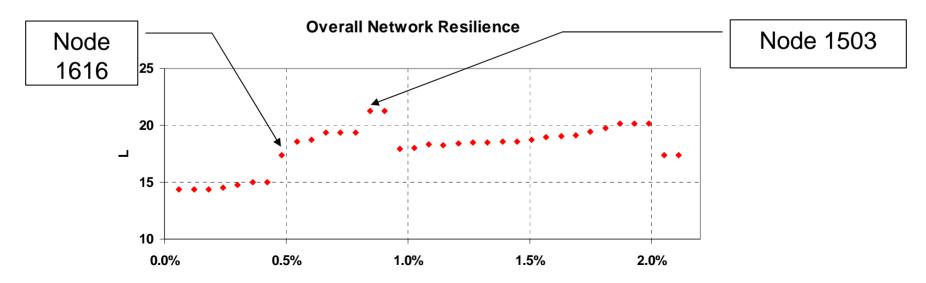
- A random network generated using the same structure as the grid has:
 - Average path length = 15
 - A clustering coefficient on the order of 10⁻³
- Hubs have effect, power grid is small-world
- Most other metrics are like Western Power Grid, except clustering coefficient and Pearson degree correlation are much higher

Existence of Hubs & Robustness

- Removing critical (e.g. very highly connected nodes) has an effect on avg. path length
- For example, node #687 has effect (major generator in the most congested zone)
- Removing this node increases avg. path length
- Network accessibility affected by targeted node removal of the ones with the highest degree

Overall Grid Resilience

- Diameter = 37 (vs. 40 for the random network)
 - From node 19 (gen. in zone 1) to node 860 (load in zone 4)
- Resilience analysis
 - Diameter: from 37 to 67
 - Mean geodesic: 14.35 to 21.30 (critical nodes in zone 8)
 - Node 1503 (generation unit), Node 1616 (backbone bus)

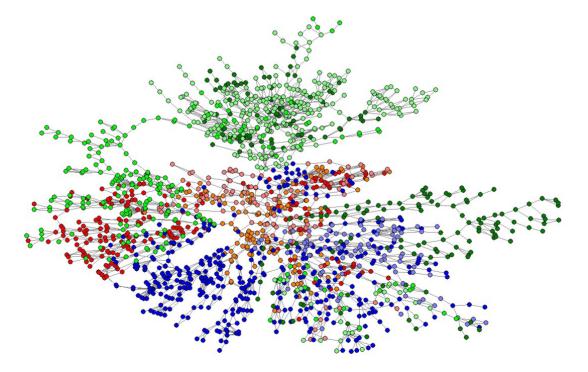


Fraction nodes removed (highest first)

Comments, Questions and Answers

Please share any new ideas for interesting and useful analyses

Thanks! (Karen, JZ, Steel)



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More on Network Metrics

- Constraints on clustering and connectivity
 - cost and demographics dictate the constraints
 - only geographic proximity can define a cluster
- Network Betweenness Centralization = 0.33
- Network Closeness Centralization = 0.08
- Highly connected nodes: 1616 (345kV bus), 1503 (gen), 475-478 (gen), 1197 (gen), 1555 (load), 502 (gen), 687 (load)
- 1616 and 1503 are important nodes