

# Economic Efficiencies

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- Discuss briefly working definitions for:
  - Productive efficiency
  - Allocative efficiency
  - Dynamic efficiency
- Work through examples for allocative and dynamic efficiencies as means to illustrate the concepts
- Discuss Going Forward

- Productive efficiency is defined as using the least amount of resources to produce a given good or service. In other words, output is being produced at the lowest possible unit cost.
- A process that uses more of any input – labour, capital, or land – than the minimum needed to produce the given level of output suffers from productive inefficiency.

Allocative efficiency is the market condition whereby resources are allocated in a way that maximizes the net benefit attained through their use. A market will be allocatively efficient if:

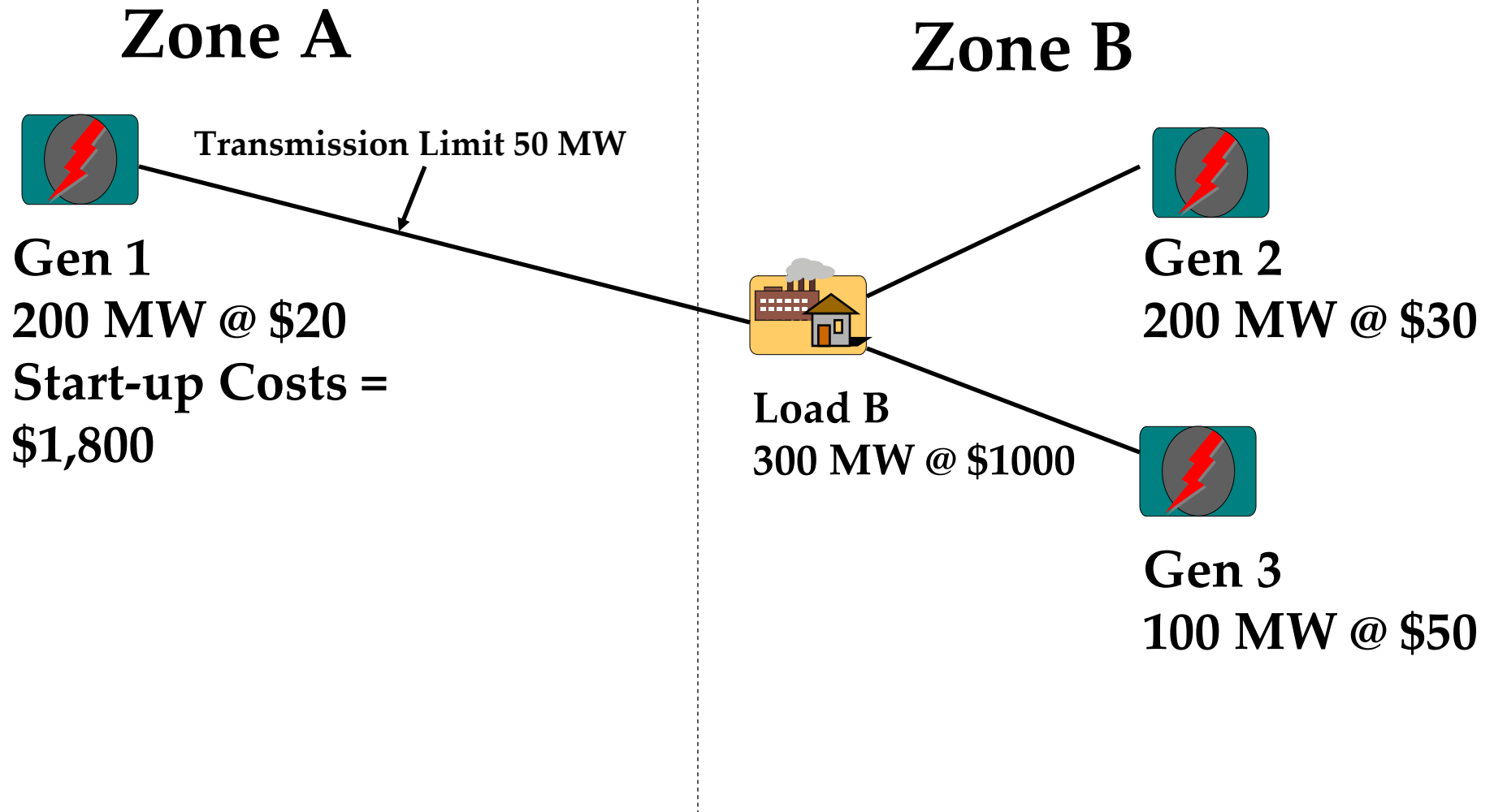
1. Output is produced by the lowest cost producers
2. Output is consumed by those most willing to pay for it and only when its value to the consumer is at least as great as the incremental cost of its production

# Dynamic Efficiency Definition

- Dynamic efficiency relates to efficient technology choice and timely and efficient capacity investment decisions both on the supply side and the demand side of the industry.
- Dynamic efficiency deals with the evolution of a more efficient mix of resources for the market over time.

- Following examples will be used to illustrate allocative and dynamic efficiency concepts
- First example illustrates allocative inefficiency when electricity is not produced by lowest cost suppliers

# Allocative Efficiency Example 1



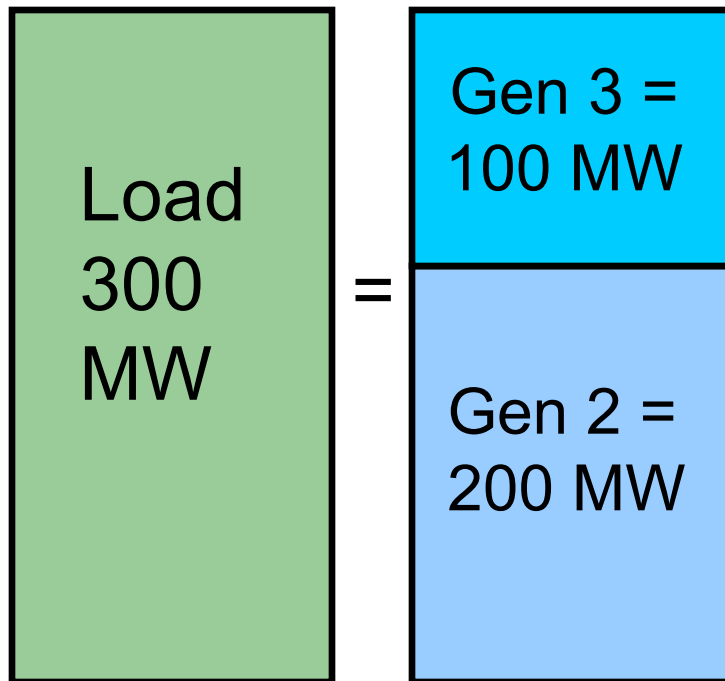
- **Generator Welfare:**

Production Benefit = Energy revenue  
plus uplifts less production costs

- **Load Welfare:**

Consumption Benefit = Consumption  
value less total energy costs (includes  
positive or negative uplifts)

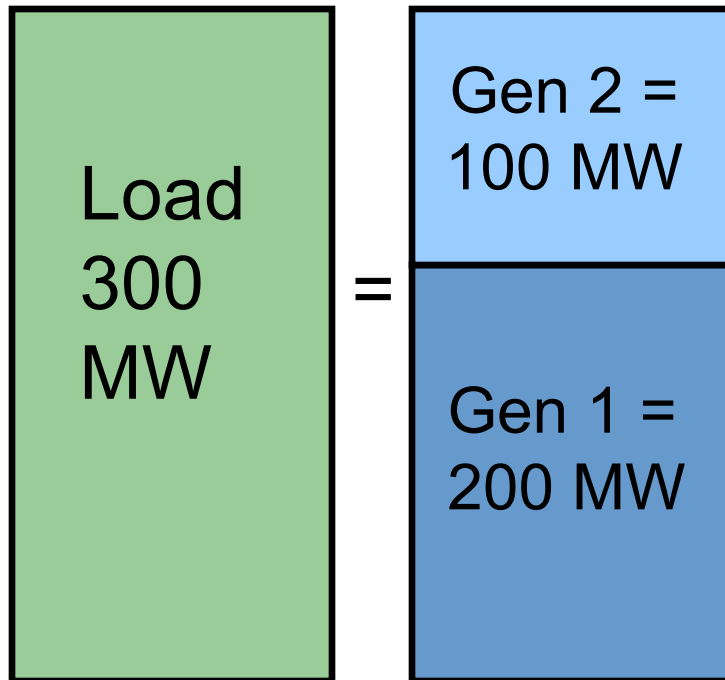
- Marginal cost of another unit = Marginal benefit gained from its consumption
- Gen 1 = Average incremental cost which includes any start up costs and/or transmission constraints:
  - $$= (\$1,800 + \$20 \times 50 \text{ MW}) \div 50 \text{ MW}$$
  - $$= \mathbf{\$56/\text{MWh}}$$
- Gen 2 =  $\mathbf{\$30/\text{MWh}}$
- Gen 3 =  $\mathbf{\$50/\text{MWh}}$



Stacking the MWs required by the generator's costs from lowest to highest to meet the demand illustrates that Gen 1 should not run

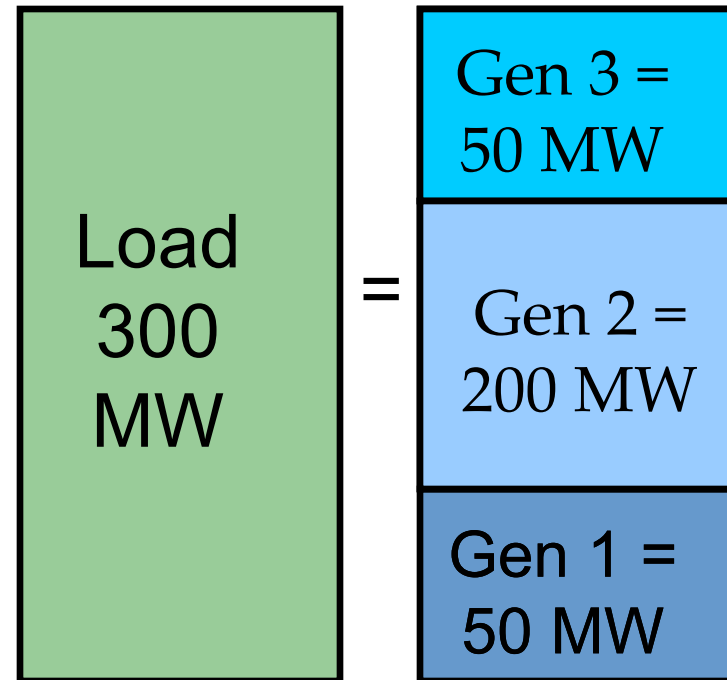
- Marginal cost of producing another unit = Marginal benefit gained from its consumption

## Unconstrained Schedule



Ignores 50 MW  
Transmission Limit  
HOEP = \$30

## Constrained Schedule



Recognizes 50 MW Transmission Limit  
Shadow Prices: Zone A = \$20  
Zone B = \$50

# Uniform Pricing Regime Welfare - Example 1

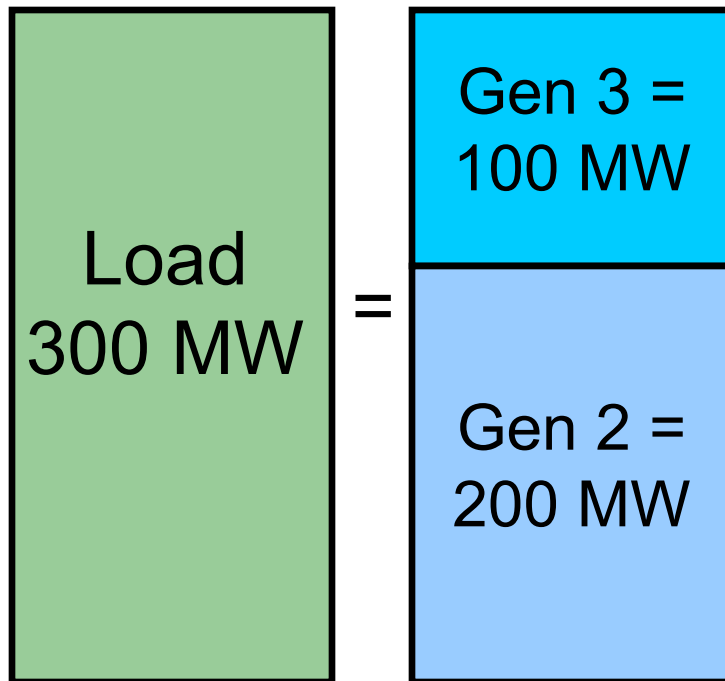
Generator Welfare						
	MS	CS	Energy Revenue	CMSC	Production Cost	Welfare
Gen 1	200	50	\$1,500	\$1,500	-\$2,800	\$200
Gen 2	100	200	\$6,000	\$0	-\$6,000	\$0
Gen 3	0	50	\$1,500	\$1,000	-\$2,500	\$0

Consumer Welfare					
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	Energy Cost	Uplift	Welfare
Load A	300	\$300,000	-\$9,000	-\$2,500	\$288,500

MS = Market Schedule  
CS = Constrained Schedule

**Total Welfare = \$288,700**

# Locational Marginal Pricing Regime Results – Example 1



- LMP recognizes constraints, the most Gen 1 will be scheduled is 50 MW
- Gen 1 covers costs of production only if  $LMP \geq \$56$  MW (assumes no production cost guarantee program)
- LMP for Zone B = \$50
- Gen 1 is not scheduled

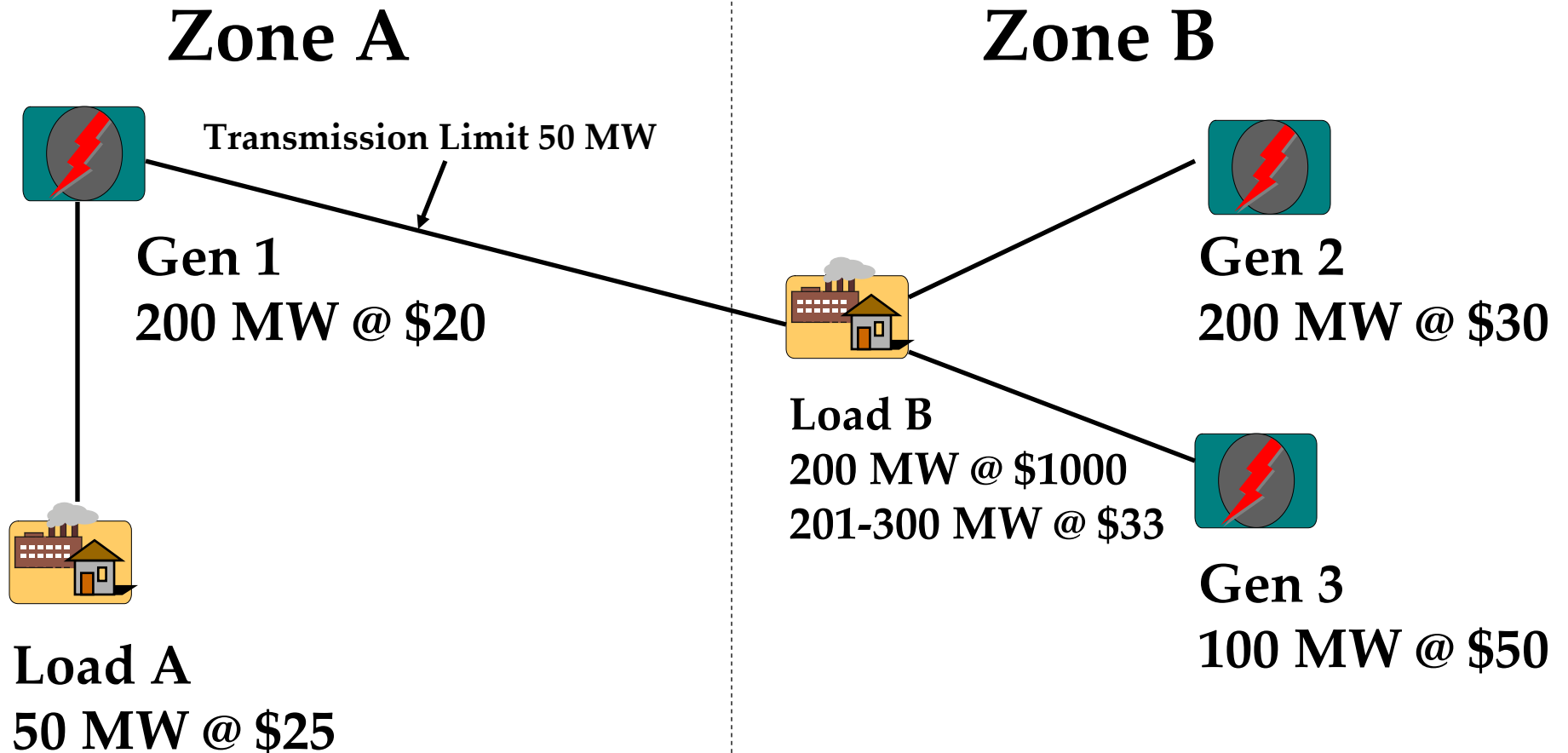
# Locational Marginal Pricing Welfare - Example 1

Generator Welfare				
	Output	Energy Revenue	Production Cost	Welfare
Gen 1		\$0	\$0	\$0
Gen 2	200	\$10,000	-\$6,000	\$4,000
Gen 3	100	\$5,000	-\$5,000	\$0

Consumer Welfare				
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	Energy Cost	Welfare
Load A	300	\$300,000	\$15,000	\$285,000

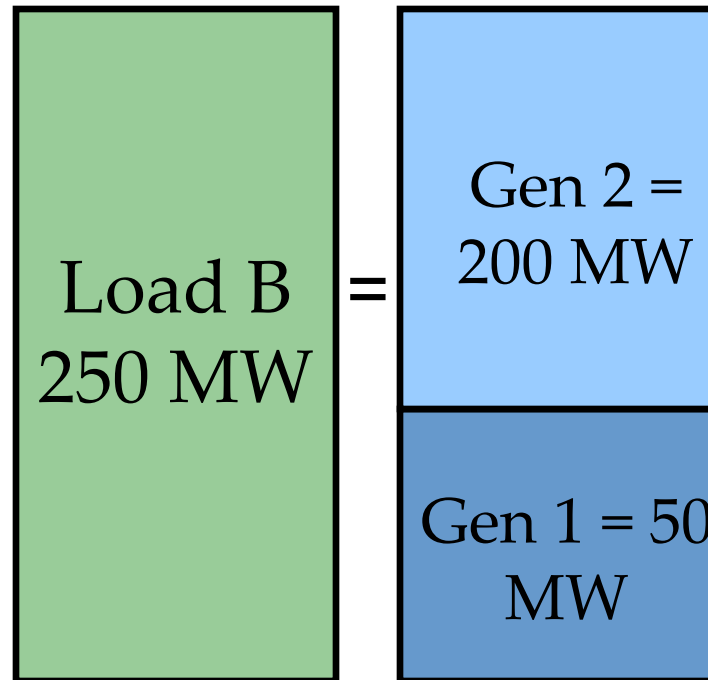
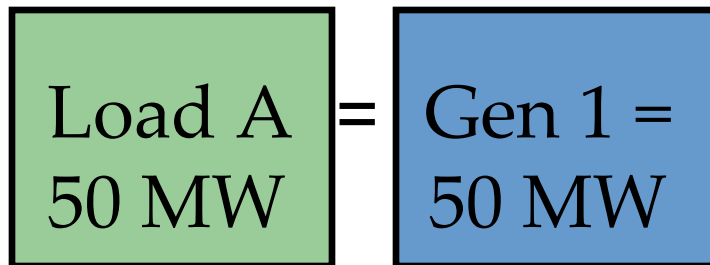
Total Welfare = \$289,000  
Increase of \$300

- Second example to illustrate allocative inefficiency when consumption is inefficient
- Changed Assumptions:
  - Price Responsive Load in Zone A
  - There are no non-quick start generators



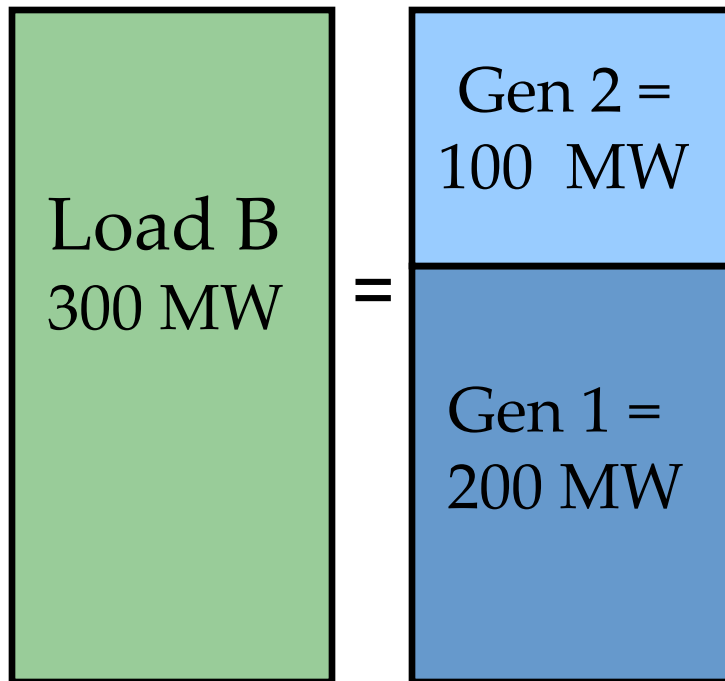
- Marginal cost of another unit = Marginal benefit gained from its consumption
- Marginal benefit to Load B = **\$1000 MW** ( $\leq 200$  MW)  
= **\$ 33 MW** (201-300MW)
- Marginal benefit to Load A = **\$ 25 MW**
- Marginal cost of output:
  - Gen 1 = **\$20 MW**
  - Gen 2 = **\$30 MW**
  - Gen 3 = **\$50 MW**

# Allocative Efficient Outcome



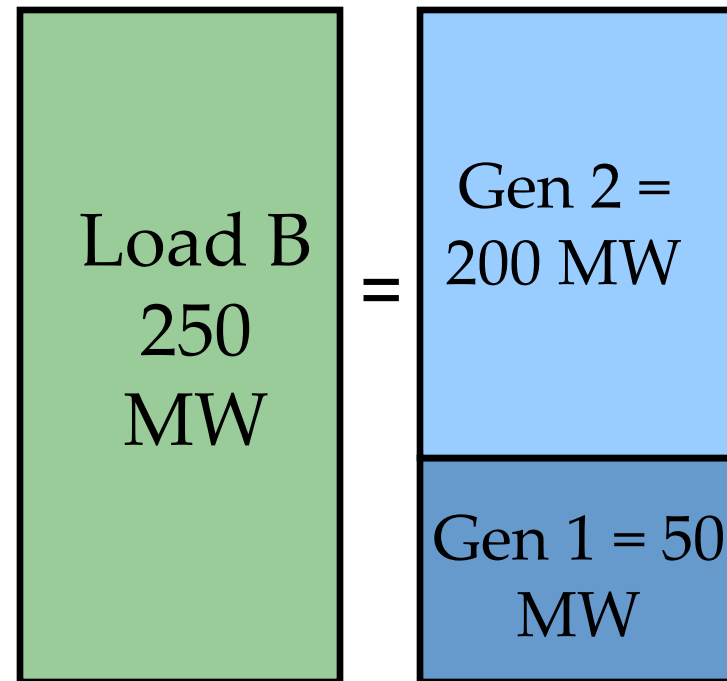
Remaining 50 MW can not be supplied at a price  $\leq$  Load B's net benefit – no more gain from trade can be realized

## Unconstrained Schedule



Ignores 50 MW  
Transmission Limit  
HOEP = \$30  
Load A  $\neq$  Consume

## Constrained Schedule



Recognizes 50 MW Transmission Limit  
Shadow Prices: Zone A = \$20  
Zone B = \$33

# Uniform Pricing Regime Welfare - Example 2

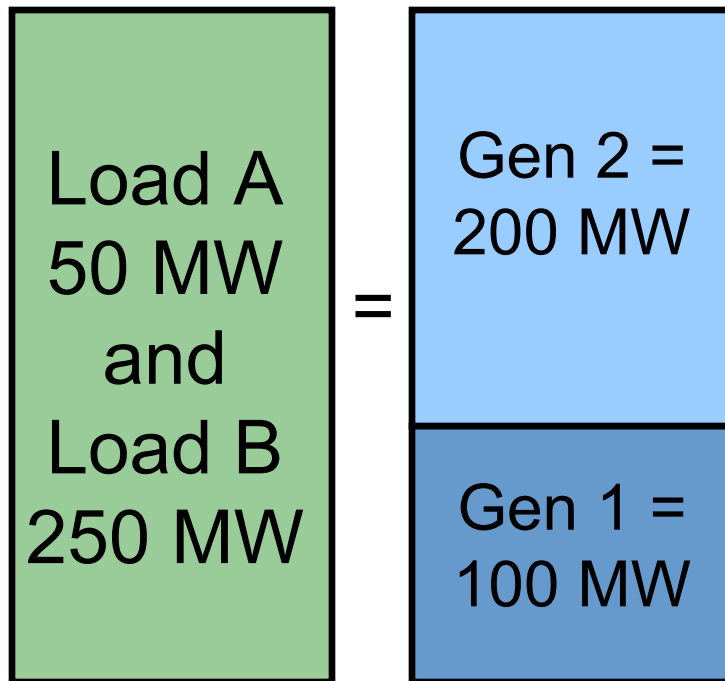
Generator Welfare						
	MS	CS	Energy Revenue	CMSC	Production Cost	Welfare
Gen 1	200	50	\$1,500	\$1,500	-\$1,000	\$2,000
Gen 2	100	200	\$6,000	\$0	-\$6,000	\$0
Gen 3	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Consumer Welfare						
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	CMSC Revenue	Energy Cost	Uplift	Welfare
Load A	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Load B	250	\$201,650	\$150	-\$7,500	-\$1,650	\$192,650

MS = Market Schedule  
CS = Constrained Schedule

**Total Welfare = \$194,650**

# Locational Marginal Pricing Regime Results – Example 2



- LMP recognizes constraints but also that Load A marginal benefit is below Gen 1 marginal cost
- LMP for Zone B = \$33 set by the dispatchable load
- Gen 3 is not scheduled

# Locational Marginal Pricing Welfare - Example 2

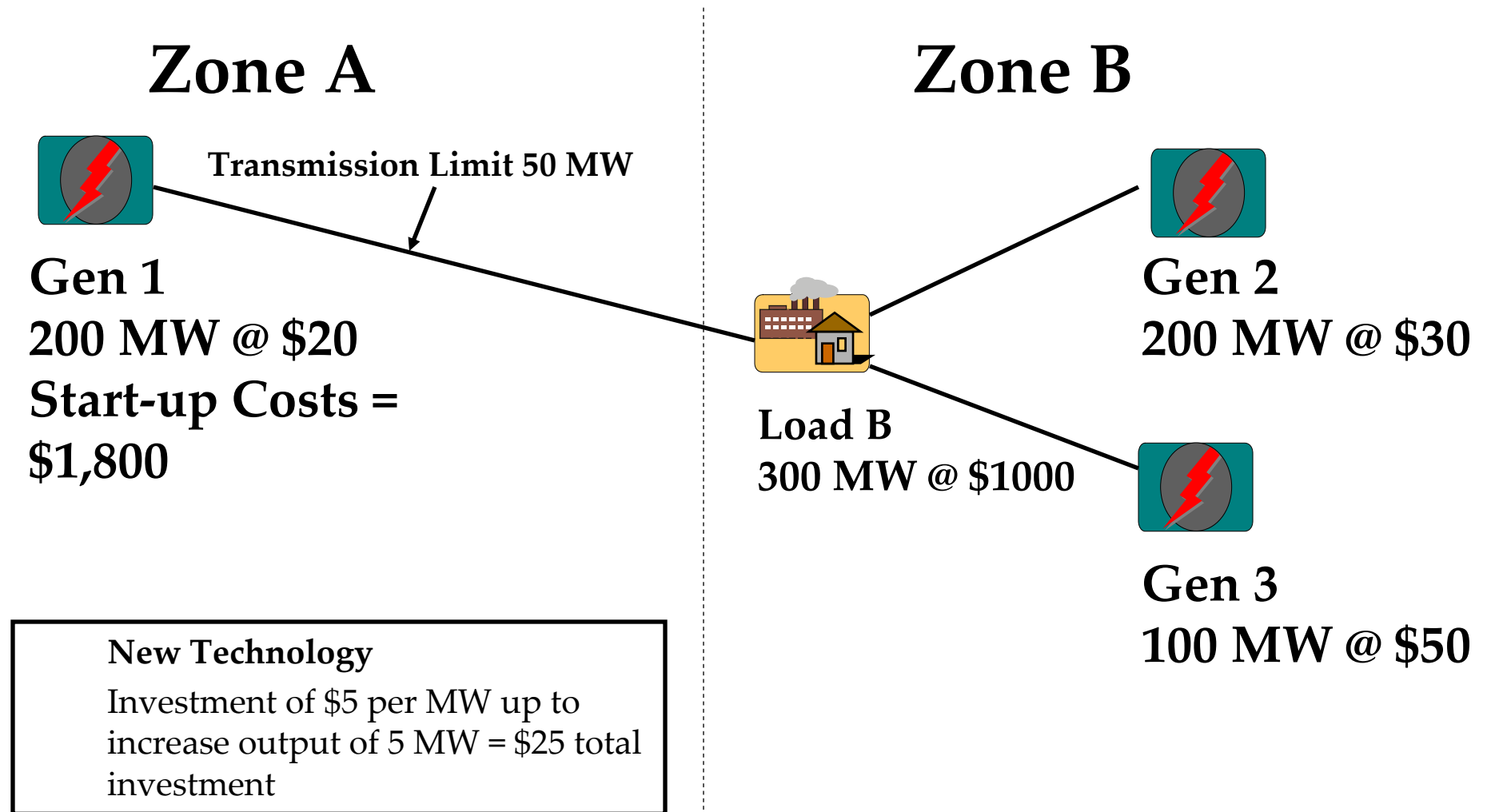
Generator Welfare					
	Output	Energy Revenue	Production Cost	Congestion Rent	Welfare
Gen 1	100	\$2,000	-\$2,000	\$650	\$650
Gen 2	200	\$6,600	-\$6,000	\$0	\$600
Gen 3					\$0

Consumer Welfare				
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	Energy Cost	Welfare
Load A	50	\$1,250	-\$1,000	\$250
Load B	250	\$201,650	-\$8,250	\$193,400

Total Welfare = \$194,900  
Increase \$250

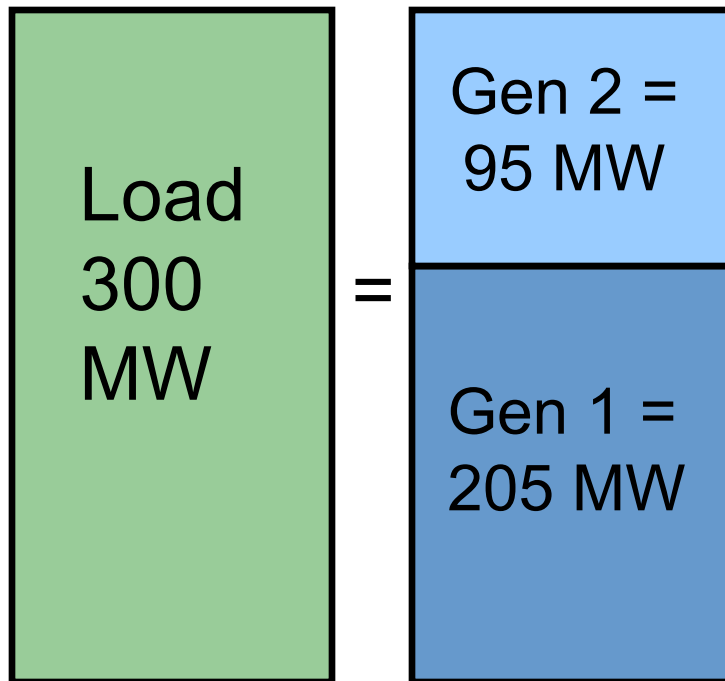
- Third example to illustrate dynamic efficiency – looking at incentives for capacity investment
- Changed Assumptions:
  - Assume same market structure as example 1
  - New technology available that cost \$5 per MW up to increase output of 5 MW

# Allocative Efficiency Example 3



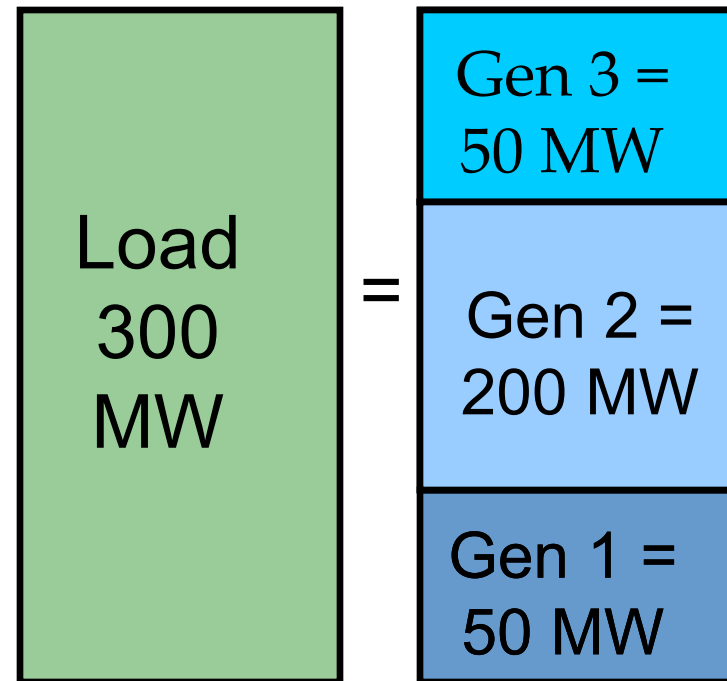
- Gen 2 should invest in technology:  
Revenue – Investment cost = Investment Benefit  
 $(\$50 - \$30) \times 5\text{MW} - (\$5\text{MW} \times \$5) = \$75$
- Neither Gen 1 or Gen 3 should invest as both Gens have idle capacity, no benefit from capacity expansion

## Unconstrained Schedule



Ignores 50 MW  
Transmission Limit  
HOEP = \$30  
Gen 1 Invests

## Constrained Schedule



Recognizes 50 MW Transmission Limit  
Shadow Prices: Zone A = \$20  
Zone B = \$50

# Uniform Pricing Regime Results - Example 3

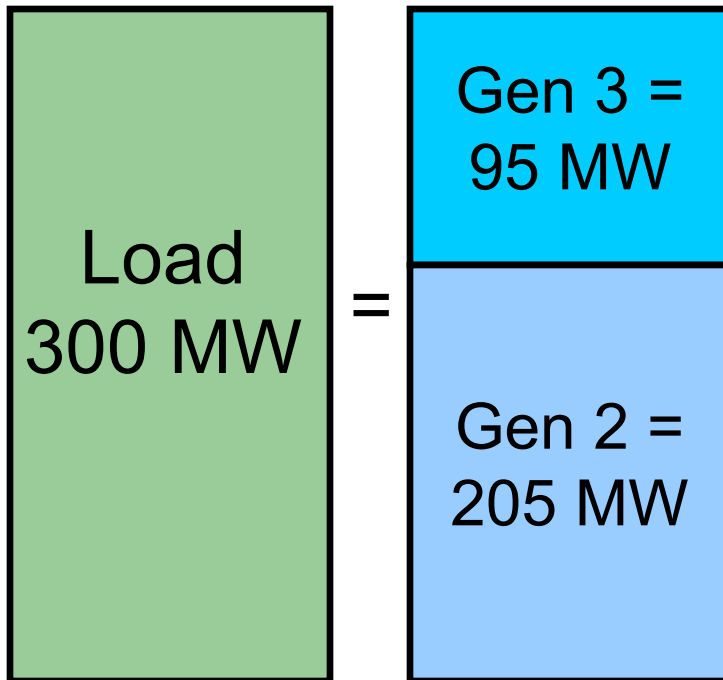
Generator Welfare						
	MS	CS	Energy Revenue	CMSC	Production Cost	Welfare
Gen 1	205	50	\$1,500	\$1,550	-\$2,800	\$225
Gen 2	95	200	\$6,000	\$0	-\$6,000	\$0
Gen 3	0	50	\$1,500	\$1,000	-\$2,500	\$0

Consumer Welfare					
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	Energy Cost	Uplift	Welfare
Load A	300	\$300,000	-\$9,000	-\$2,550	\$288,450

MS = Market Schedule  
CS = Constrained Schedule

Total Welfare = \$288,675

# Location Marginal Pricing Regime Results – Example 3



- Gen 1 and Gen 3 have idle capacity and do not have an investment incentive

# Locational Marginal Pricing Welfare - Example 3

Generator Welfare				
	Output	Energy Revenue	Production Cost	Welfare
Gen 1		\$0	\$0	\$0
Gen 2	205	\$10,250	-\$6,150	\$4,075
Gen 3	95	\$4,750	-\$4,750	\$0

Consumer Welfare				
	Consumption	Value of Consumption	Energy Cost	Welfare
Load A	300	\$300,000	\$15,000	\$285,000

Total Welfare = \$289,075  
Increase of \$400

- Group members provide IESO with comments on working definitions
- IESO incorporate comments in new draft
- Meet in New Year to finalize working definitions based on comments received