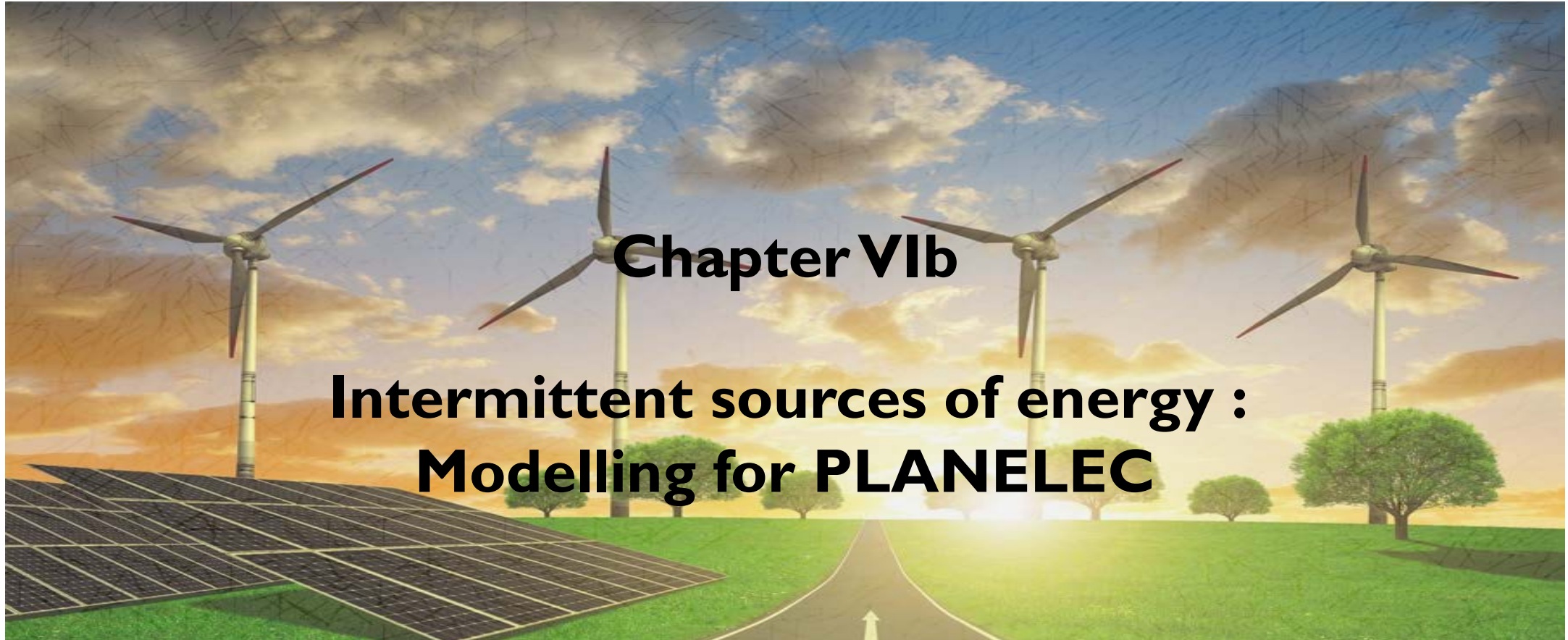


# ENERGY PLANNING : MODELLING AND DECISION SUPPORT



## LEARNING OUTCOMES OF THE COURSE 6:

- Model the sources of intermittent energy in sight of planning for a long term adjustment between demand and supply of electrical energy
- Application in the case study

## -CONTENT-

6b.1. The limits of the probability convolution approach

6b.2. Simplified modelling in the case of solar photovoltaic

## 6b.1. THE LIMITS OF THE PROBABILITY CONVOLUTION APPROACH

- The probability function representing the variability of electricity demand is simplified because it does not consider autocorrelations
- Another strong hypothesis is the independence between random variables that represent the demand and supply of electrical energy
- **Alternative:** chronological curve or load curve therefore a time series model
- **Taking into account the correlation between demand and supply:** modelling too complicated to be used for long term planning

## 6b.2. SIMPLIFIED MODELLING IN THE CASE OF SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC



- Solar radiation is generally high during peak hours and low during off-peak hours, the same applies for electrical energy demand
- Thus, modelling intermittence in models such as PLANELEC needs an important simplification: the de-correlation between electricity demand and supply

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2<sup>nd</sup> step: Modelling the time series with Bernoulli's law of probability

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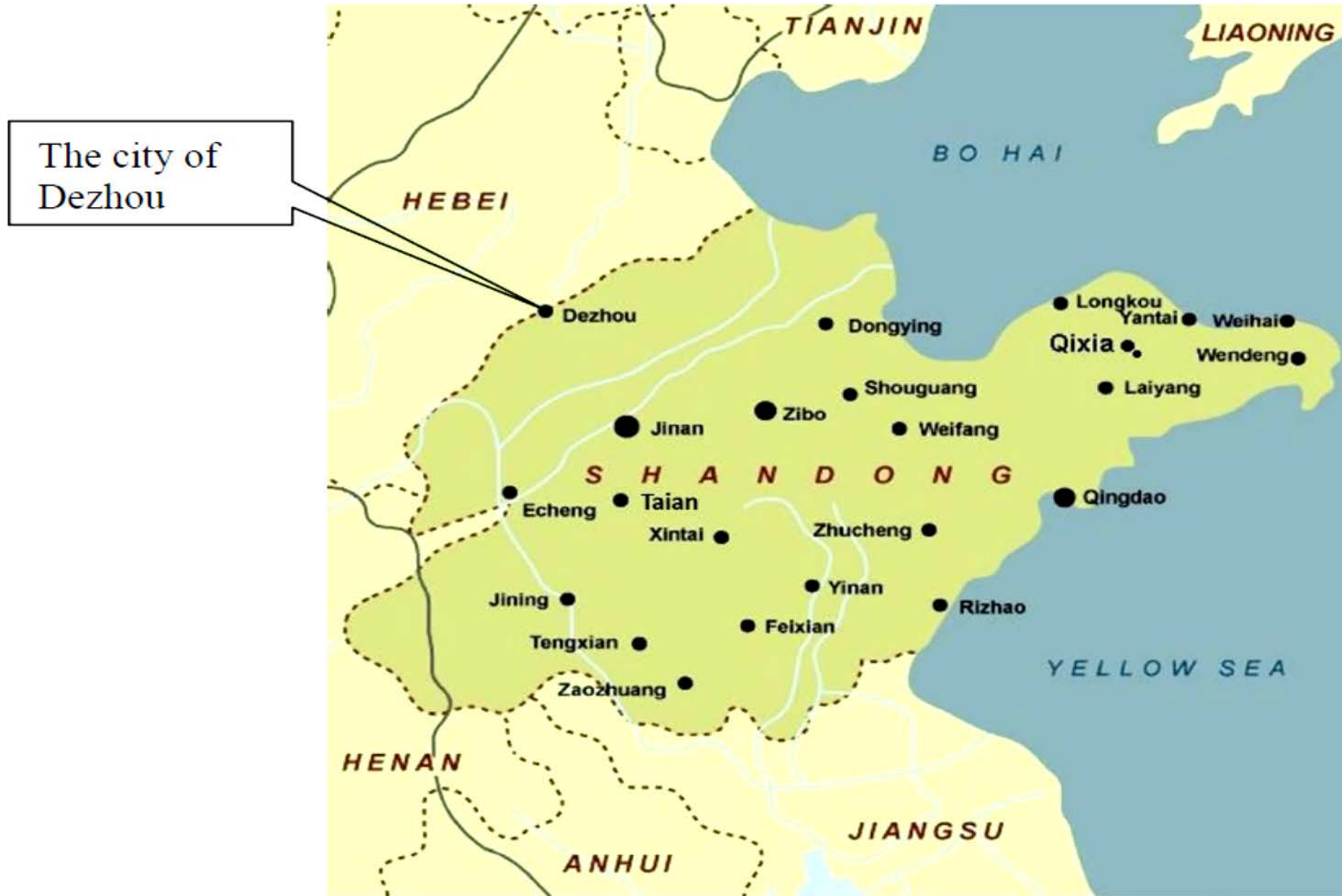
# 1<sup>st</sup> step: Generating the chronicle of photovoltaic production

## Generating the chronicle hours of irradiations

<https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/pvgis>

	CPA	
2	City	Dezhou City
3	County (District)	Qingyun County
	<b>Subdivision</b>	<b>Section</b>
4	SSC-CPA Unique Identification Number	001-PCDM-SDPV
5	Latitude of Project area	37.4438°
6	Longitude of Project area	116.3445°

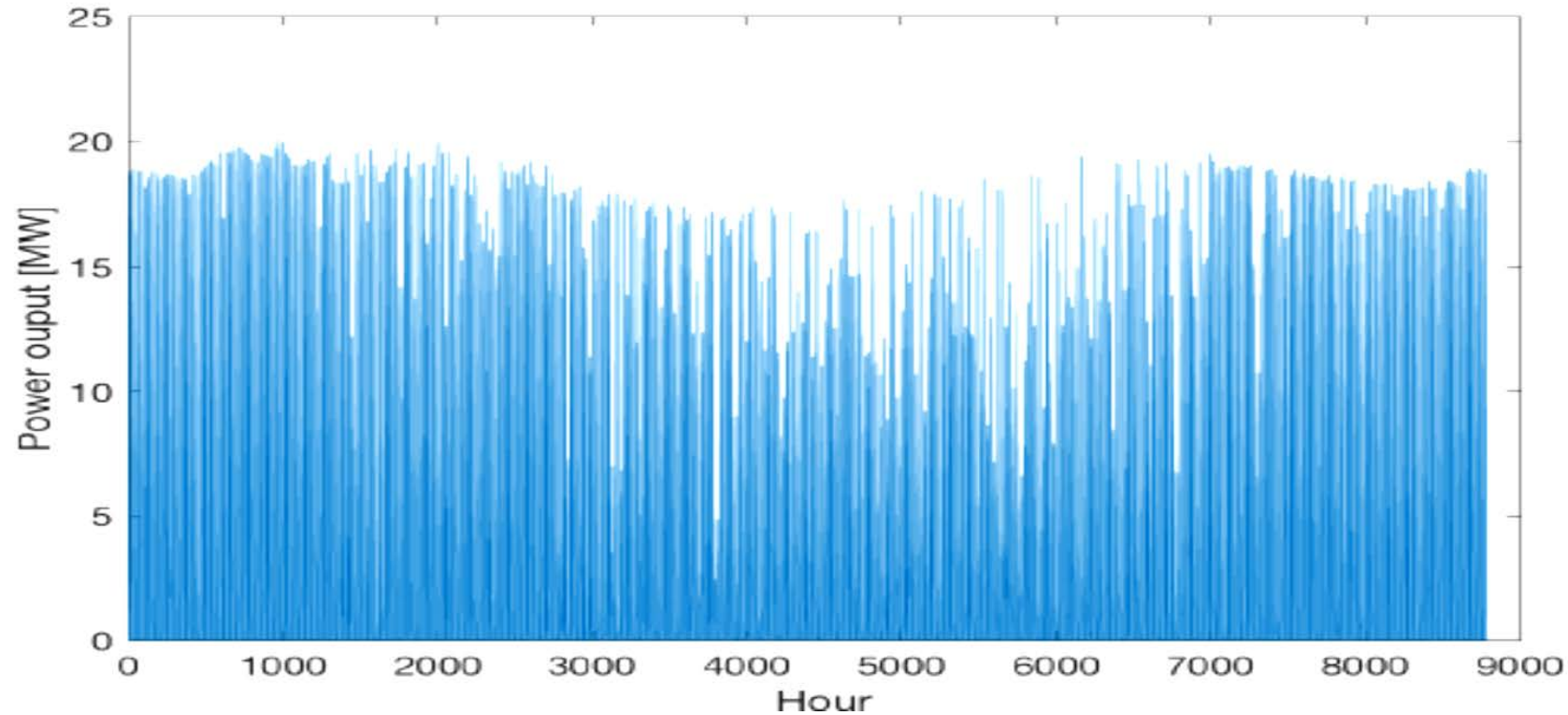




Map showing the city of Dezhou



$$P_h = P_p \cdot \frac{I_{directe} + I_{diffuse}}{I_{STC}} \cdot \left[ (1 - \alpha_{temp} \cdot (T_h - T_{STC})) \right] \cdot \prod_i (1 - \alpha_i)$$



## 2<sup>nd</sup> step: Modelling the chronicle with Bernoulli's law of probability

$$P_h = \begin{cases} P_{\max} & \text{Prob} = p \\ 0 & \text{Prob} = (1 - p) \end{cases}$$

Find  $P_{\max}$  and  $p$  such that:

The average  $P_{\text{moy}}$  and the variance of  $(P_h)$   $s^2$  are respected

$$\begin{cases} p \cdot P_{\max} = P_{\text{avg}} & (1) \\ p \cdot (P_{\max} - P_{\text{avg}})^2 + (1 - p) \cdot P_{\text{avg}}^2 = s^2 & (2) \end{cases}$$

Let  $c$  such that:

$c$ : coefficient of variation

$$c = \frac{s}{P_{avg}}$$

With (1) and (2),  $P_{max}$  is de

$$p = \frac{1}{1 + c^2}$$
$$P_{max} = P_{avg} (1 + c^2)$$

## Adjusting the specific investment cost (\$/kW)

The specific investment cost has to be adjusted to the value of  $P_{max}$  calculated previously by dividing the total cost of the power plant by a Power value often lower than  $P_p$ .

## Illustration : Study case of a PV power plant project in southern Benin (Blaga and Gnansounou, 2020)

Data:  $P_p = 25 \text{ MWc}$

Investment cost:  $39.10^6 \text{ \$}$

Specific cost per  $W_p$ :  $1.56 \text{ \$/Wp}$



## Results:

$P_{avg} = 4.2 \text{ MW}$

$P_{max} = 12.76 \text{ MW}$

$1 - p = 66.94\%$  (equivalent outage rate)

Specific cost per W: 3 \$/W

## References:

Blaga, C., Gnansounou, E. (2020), Modelling the «intermittency additional cost» of PV plant integration in a conventional electrical generating system: case of Benin. Project «Mineur en énergie», January 2020.