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Abstract The large-scale electrification of the transport sector will result in increasingly 'peaky' loads, which necessitates the system integration of additional capital-intensive storage infrastructure in renewables-rich microgrids of the future. In this context, the vehicle-to-grid (V2G) technology can provide an effective platform to unlock the so-called 'storage on wheels' potential of electric vehicles (EVs), thereby reducing the need for cost-prohibitive grid-scale storage. However, the dispatch optimization of electricity networks integrating a high share of V2G-enabled EVs is challenging given the uncertainties in forecasts of the associated timing of charging and discharging. In response, this paper introduces a novel mixed-integer linear programming-based model for the optimal operation of a grid-connected microgrid (MG) integrating solar photovoltaic and wind turbine generation systems, which are supported by a hydrogen-based energy storage system, whilst assuming a high level of EV penetration. To this end, the information gap decision theory (IGDT) is employed to evaluate the impact of risk-averse (RA) and risk-seeking (RS) strategies against the possible aggregated EV charging/discharging scenarios where limited information is available about relevant driving patterns. Importantly, the simulation results from a test-case community MG system indicate that the RA and RS strategies are associated with a representative daily MG operation profit deviation of 21% and +19% compared to the most-likely risk-neutral strategy, respectively.

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