A structural model for electricity spot and forward for coupled markets

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Different electricity markets but large similarities

Forward prices movements are close

German and French spot price are exactly equal 51% of time in 2014 and 27% in 2015.
Different production fundamentals

production 2015 (TWh)

核能
煤炭
褐煤
天然气
石油
水力
风
光伏
生物能

法国
德国

FIGURE – source RTE and Fraunhofer
Strong evolutions of electricity market fundamentals

On example: increase of renewables share in electricity production

- Wind and Solar represent 21.7% of German production in 2015 (production multiplied by 3.4 since 2004)

As a consequence, positive spikes on electricity spot market have decreased in frequency and negative spikes are quite common on spot or intraday markets.

New market conditions can not be modeled using only past price realizations.
Proxy hedging using neighbour countries

German market is the more liquid markets in west Europe

Source https://ec.europa.eu,
Quarterly Report On European Electricity Markets Q3 2015

To use other markets for hedging purpose is attractive!
Interconnection auctions

Explicit auctions for interconnection capacities are organised for year and month delivery: from country A to country B, the payoff of capacity contract:

\[ \sum_{t=0}^{T} (S_t^B - S_t^A)^+ \] (with S for spot price)

Implicit allocation on day-ahead market with market coupling mechanism for most European interconnections.

Source: http://www.jao.eu/
Europe electricity markets are more and more coupled.

- November 2010: **coupling of the CWE region** - Central West Europe - Germany/Austria, France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Luxemburg.
- February 2014: **extended coupling to NWE region** - North WE - CWE + Great-Britain, Denmark, Finland, Sweden and Norway.
- February 11th 2014: every prices of the NWE region, except UK, equal 29.45 euro/MWh.
- May 2014: **Spain and Portugal join** the day-ahead price coupling.
- Feb 2015: **Italy and Slovenia join** the day-ahead price coupling.
- 21 May 2015: flow-based coupling for zone CWE.

**Figure** – source RTE
How works the coupling?

\[ P_t^1(D_t^1) > P_t^2(D_t^2) \]
How works the coupling?

The two markets are coupled

\[ P_t^1(D_t^1 - E_t) = P_t^2(D_t^2 + E_t) \]
How works the coupling?

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How works the coupling?

The two markets are uncoupled

\[ P_{t}^{1}(D_{t}^{1} - E_{\text{max}}) > P_{t}^{2}(D_{t}^{2} + E_{\text{max}}) \]
Objectives summary

For proxy hedging purposes and explicit interconnection auctions, price models for different markets are required with the following characteristics:

1. to represent the strong existing links between electricity prices in different countries
2. to be adapted to changing market conditions
3. to model spot and forward markets at the same time
4. to produce fast simulations

Structural models appear to be a good candidate to fulfill these different objectives (for forward and spot structural model see for example [Carmona et al. (2012)] or [Aïd et al. (2012)]).

[Kiesel (working paper)] and [Füss (working paper)] have proposed model for forward and spot with interconnections but for one technology only.
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Model proposed by Kiesel and Kustermann - spot model

For 2 interconnected markets, the respective spot prices are defined by:

\[ P_T^1(S_T, D_T^1 - E_T) = S_T e^{a_1 + b_1(D_T^1 - E_T)} + c \]  
\[ P_T^2(S_T, D_T^2 + E_T) = S_T e^{a_2 + b_2(D_T^2 + E_T)} + c \]

with

- the flow at the interconnection \( E_T \in [E_{\text{min}}, E_{\text{max}}] \), with \( E_{\text{min}} \leq 0, E_{\text{max}} \geq 0 \), is determined such as to minimise the difference between the two prices
- the log of the commodity \( S \) and the demands \( D^i \) follow Ornstein Uhlenbech (O.U.) process,

The following vector is then Gaussian:

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
D_T^1 \\
D_T^2 \\
\ln S_T
\end{pmatrix}
| F_s \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)
\]

Model limit: only one commodity is represented
Model proposed by Kiesel and Kustermann - forward model

In this model, the forward price can be expressed by:

\[ F_s^1(T) = \mathbb{E}_s[P_T^1] = \mathbb{E}_s[P_T^1(1_{A_1} + 1_{A_2} + 1_{A_3})] \]

with

- market 2 exports at maximum of the interconnection to market 1:
  \[ A_1 = \{ P_T^1(S_T, D_T - E_{\text{max}}) > P_T^2(S_T, D_T + E_{\text{max}}) \} \]
- market 1 exports at maximum of the interconnection to market 2:
  \[ A_2 = \{ P_T^1(S_T, D_T - E_{\text{min}}) < P_T^2(S_T, D_T + E_{\text{min}}) \} \]
- the markets are coupled:
  \[ A_3 = A_1^c \cap A_2^c \]

A useful result: truncated Laplace transform

If \( X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma) \) is a Gaussian vector of size \( n \), \( \lambda, a \in \mathbb{R}^n \) and \( b \in \mathbb{R} \), then

\[
\mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda^T X} 1_{a^T X \leq b}] = e^{\lambda^T \Sigma \lambda + \lambda^T \mu} \mathbb{P}(a^T \tilde{X} \leq b)
\]

with \( \tilde{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu + \Sigma \lambda, \Sigma) \).
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   - Spot Price
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Two countries are linked by an interconnection whose flow $E_t$ is bounded in $[E, \bar{E}]$, $E > 0$ means country $A$ exports to country $B$.

In each country, demand $D_t^*$, with $* \in \{A, B\}$ is described by an O.U. process with a deterministic component to represent the seasonnality.

Each country has $n_*, * \in \{A, B\}$ possible marginal commodities. The log of their marginal prices $S_{t,k}^*$ also follow an O.U. process.

The total number of commodities is $n \leq n_A + n_B$

The capacity $C_{t,k}^*$, with $k \in [1, n_*]$, of every technology is constant (no failures).

$\bar{C}_t^* = \sum_{i=1}^{n_*} C_{t,i}^*$ the maximum capacity production in country $*$

We have

$$\left(\begin{array}{c}
\log S_{t1}^A \\
\vdots \\
\log S_{tN}^N \\
D_t^A \\
D_t^B \\
D_t^B
\end{array}\right) \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{array}{c}
\mu_1 \\
\vdots \\
\mu_n \\
\mu_A \\
\mu_B \\
\mu_D
\end{array} \right, \Sigma$$
Model notations and assumptions 2/2

Let’s take this form for the offer curve

\[ P^*(S_t, C_t, d)) = \sum_{k=1}^{n_*} f^*(S^*_t, k, \bar{C}_t^*, d) \mathbb{I}_{d \in I_{t^*, k}} = \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C^*_{t, i} ; \sum_{i=0}^k C^*_{t, i} \right] \]  \hspace{1cm} (4)

with

\[ f^*(s, c, d) = s e^{\alpha^* + \beta^* (c - d)} \]  \hspace{1cm} (5)

and

\[ C^*_t = \left( C^*_t, k \right)_{k=1, \ldots, n_*} \] the set of available capacities at time \( t \) in the country \(*\),

\[ S^*_t = \left( S^*_t, k \right)_{k=1, \ldots, n_*} \] the set of production costs at time \( t \) in the country \(*\),

**Conditions to ensure increasing offer curve function** of demand level: \( \alpha \) and \( \beta \) are chosen to be independent of the marginal technology and \( \beta < 0 \).
Illustration of offer curve

FIGURE – offer curve against demand level
Partition of state space

\( E_t \in [E, \overline{E}] \) determined such as to minimize the absolute difference between the two spot prices.

As suggested by [Kiesel (working paper)], we consider the following partition:

- \( A_1 \) market A exports at maximum of the interconnection to market B:
  \[ A_1 := \{ w \in \Omega : P^A(S^A_t, C^A_t, D^A_t + E) < P^B(S^B_t, C^B_t, D^B_t - E) \} \]

- \( A_2 \) market B exports at maximum of the interconnection to market A:
  \[ A_2 := \{ w \in \Omega : P^A(S^A_t, C^A_t, D^A_t + E) > P^B(S^B_t, C^B_t, D^B_t - E) \} \]

- \( A_3 \) the markets are coupled (prices are equal):
  \[ A_3 := \Omega \setminus (A_1 \cup A_2) \]

Finally, we use the following partition of the state space:

\[ \Omega = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq 3, \ 1 \leq k \leq n_A, \ 1 \leq l \leq n_B} A_{i,k,l} \]

with \( A_{i,k,l} = A_i \cap M_{k,l} \) and \( M_{k,l} := \{ \omega \in \Omega : D^A_t + E_t \in I^{A,k}_t ; D^B_t - E_t \in I^{B,l}_t \} \).
Spot price

We then define the spot price for each country as

\[
\bar{P}^A (V_t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} f^A(S^A_{t,k}, \bar{C}^A_t, D^A_t + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{A_1,k,l} + \\
\sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} f^A(S^A_{t,k}, \bar{C}^A_t, D^A_t + E) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} + \\
f^{A,B}(V_t) \mathbb{1}_{A_3,k,l}
\]

\[
\bar{P}^B (V_t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} f^B(S^B_{t,l}, \bar{C}^B_t, D^B_t - \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{A_1,k,l} + \\
\sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} f^B(S^B_{t,l}, \bar{C}^B_t, D^B_t - E) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} + \\
f^{A,B}(V_t) \mathbb{1}_{A_3,k,l}
\]

with \( V_t = (S^A_t, C^A_t, D^A_t, S^B_t, C^B_t, D^B_t) \)
Case \( \mathbb{1}_{A_1,k,l} \) and \( \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} \)

These cases are quite trivial:

\[ V_t \in A_{1,k,l} \iff \begin{cases} \quad D_t^A + \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{A,k} \\ \quad D_t^B - \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{B,l} \\ \quad f^A(S_t^{A,k}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_t^A + \bar{E}) \leq f^B(S_t^{B,k}, \bar{C}_t^B, D_t^B - \bar{E}) \end{cases} \] (8)

and

\[ V_t \in A_{2,k,l} \iff \begin{cases} \quad D_t^A + \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{A,k} \\ \quad D_t^B - \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{B,l} \\ \quad f^A(S_t^{A,k}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_t^A + \bar{E}) \geq f^B(S_t^{B,k}, \bar{C}_t^B, D_t^B - \bar{E}) \end{cases} \] (9)
We decompose $A_{3,k,l}$ into 3 incompatible events $A_{3,k,l}^A$, $A_{3,k,l}^B$ and $A_{3,k,l}^C = A_{3,k,l} \setminus (A_{3,k,l}^A \cup A_{3,k,l}^B)$.
Fuel switching

This model enables to have fuel switching, i.e. change in the merit order. Let’s note $\pi_t = \{\pi^1_t, ..., \pi^n_t\}$, the permutation of the index set $\{1, ..., n\}$ of indices such that $S^{\pi^1_t} \leq ... \leq S^{\pi^n_t}$ and $S^\pi$ this event.

We then define the spot price for country A as

$$
\bar{P}^A (V_t) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} f^A(S^A_{t,k}, \bar{C}^A_t, D^A_t + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{A_1,k,l} \mathbb{1}_{S^\pi} +
\begin{align*}
&f^A(S^A_{t,k}, \bar{C}^A_t, D^A_t + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} \mathbb{1}_{S^\pi} + \\
&f^{A,B}(V_t) \mathbb{1}_{A_3,k,l} \mathbb{1}_{S^\pi}
\end{align*}
$$

(10)

Spot price for country B can be written similarly.
Forward Price

In this model, **forward** and **interconnection prices** can then be calculated using Gaussian cumulative distribution.

Same ideas as [Kiesel (working paper)] (i.e. truncated Laplace transform)

\[
E_t \left[ \bar{P}_T^A \left( V_T \right) \right] = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} E_t \left[ f^A \left( S_T^{A,k} , \bar{C}_T^A, D_T^A + \bar{E} \right) \mathbb{1}_{A_1,k,l} S^\pi \right] + \\
E_t \left[ f^A \left( S_T^{A,k} , \bar{C}_T^A, D_T^A + \bar{E} \right) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} S^\pi \right] + \\
E_t \left[ f^{A,B} \left( V_T \right) \mathbb{1}_{A_3,k,l} S^\pi \right]
\]

The **interconnection capacity prices** are from country \( B \) to \( A \)

\[
\sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} E_t \left[ f^A \left( S_T^{A,k} , \bar{C}_T^A, D_T^A + \bar{E} \right) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} S^\pi \right] - \\
E_t \left[ f^B \left( S_T^{B,k} , \bar{C}_T^B, D_T^B - \bar{E} \right) \mathbb{1}_{A_2,k,l} S^\pi \right]
\]
Illustration of forward prices simulation

Model has been calibrated on French and German 2014 data

**Figure** – one simulated path 1QAH
Motivations
Existing model
Proposed model

Spot Price
Forward Price

Impact of interconnection maximum capacity

**Figure** – Forward prices for different $\bar{E}$, $T = 100$ days

**Figure** – Interconnection prices for different $\bar{E}$, $T = 100$ days
Conclusions and Perspectives

- We proposed a structural model for spot and forward electricity prices taking into account interconnections.
- Forward prices are semi-explicit expressions as they only involve Gaussian cumulative distribution.
- This model has been calibrated on French/German interconnection.
- Next step: improve calibration (more recent data) and use the model for proxy-hedging.
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Propositions 1/2

Proposition

Set \( g(V_t) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_t^{A,i} - D_t^A \).
\( V_t \in C_{A,+} \) is equivalent to the following inequalities:

1. \( 0 \leq g(V_t) < \bar{E} \)
2. \( D_t^B - g(V_t) \in l_t^{B,I} \)
3. \( f^A \left( S_t^{A,k-1}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_t^A + g(V_t) \right) \leq f^B \left( S_t^{B,I}, \bar{C}_t^B, D_t^B - g(V_t) \right) \)
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Set \( g(V_t) = D_t^A - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_t^{A,i} \).
\( V_t \in C_{A,-} \) is equivalent to the following inequalities:

1. \( \bar{E} < g(V_t) \leq 0 \)
2. \( D_t^B - g(V_t) \in l_t^{B,I} \)
3. \( f^B \left( S_t^{B,I}, \bar{C}_t^B, D_t^B - g(V_t) \right) < f^A \left( S_t^{A,k}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_t^A + g(V_t) \right) \)
Proposition 2/2

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2015 capacities for France and Germany

**Figure** – YAH prices

*Installed Capacity end 2015 (GW)*

- **nuclear**
- **coal**
- **lignite**
- **gas**
- **fuel**
- **hydro**
- **wind**
- **photovoltaic**
- **bioenergy**

Legend:
- **France**
- **Germany**
Link between interconnection flows and renewable production

**Figure** – Example of flows between France and Germany, source RTE
2013 price convergence in CWE region

France and German prices converged around 60% of time in 2013

FIGURE – 2013 price convergence

Source: RTE