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.

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Different production fundamentals

production 2015 (TWh)



FIGURE - source RTE and Fraunhofer

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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



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To use other markets for hedging purpose is attractive !

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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

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Coupling in Europe for electricity day-ahead market

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 11st 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

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How works the coupling?



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How works the coupling?



$$P_t^1(D_t^1 - E_t) = P_t^2(D_t^2 + E_t)$$

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$$P_t^1(D_t^1 - E_{\max}) > P_t^2(D_t^2 + E_{\max})$$

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

- to represent the strong existing links betwen electricity prices in this different countries
- ② to be adapted to changing market conditions
- Ito 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.

Kustermann's approach



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Model proposed by Kiesel and Kustermann - spot model

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

$$P_T^1(S_T, D_T^1 - E_T) = S_T e^{a_1 + b_1(D_T^1 - E_T)} + c$$
(1)

$$P_{T}^{2}(S_{T}, D_{T}^{2} + E_{T}) = S_{T}e^{a_{2}+b_{2}(D_{T}^{2}+E_{T})} + c$$
(2)

with

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

The following vector is then Gaussian :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{D}_T^{\mathsf{T}} \\ \boldsymbol{D}_T^{\mathsf{2}} \\ \mathsf{In} \boldsymbol{\mathcal{S}}_T \end{pmatrix}_{|\mathcal{F}_s} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

Model limit : only one commodity is represented

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Model proposed by Kiesel and Kustermann - forward model

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

$$F_s^1(T) = \mathbb{E}_s[P_T^1] = \mathbb{E}_s[P_T^1(\mathbb{1}_{\mathsf{A}_1} + \mathbb{1}_{\mathsf{A}_2} + \mathbb{1}_{\mathsf{A}_3})]$$

with

- market 2 exports at maximum of the interconnection to market 1 : $A_1 = \{P_T^1(S_T, D_T^1 - E_{max}) > P_T^2(S_T, D_T^2 + E_{max})\}$
- market 1 exports at maximum of the interconnection to market 2 : $A_2 = \{P_T^1(S_T, D_T^1 - E_{\min}) < P_T^2(S_T, D_T^2 + E_{\min})\}$
- 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

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda^T X} \mathbb{1}_{a^T X \le b}] = e^{\frac{\lambda^T \Sigma \lambda}{2} + \lambda^T \mu} \mathbb{P}(a^T \tilde{X} \le b)$$
(3)

with $\tilde{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu + \Sigma \lambda, \Sigma)$.

Spot Price Forward Price

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Model notations and assumptions 1/2

- Two countries are linked by an interconnection whose flow E_t is bounded in $\left[\underline{E}, \overline{E}\right], E > 0$ means country A exports to country B.
- In each country, demand D^{*}_i, with ∗ ∈ {A, B} is described by an O.U. process with a deterministic component to represent the seasonnality
- Each country has n_{*}, * ∈ {A, B} possible marginal commodities. The *log* of their marginal prices S^{*,K}_t also follow an O.U. process
- The total number of commodities is $n \le n_A + n_B$
- 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

$$\begin{pmatrix} \log S_t^A \\ \vdots \\ \log S_t^N \\ D_t^A \\ D_t^B \end{pmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \\ \mu_D^A \\ \mu_D^B \end{bmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$$

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Model notations and assumptions 2/2

Let's take this form for the offer curve

$$P^{*}(S_{t}, C_{t}, d)) = \sum_{k=1}^{n_{*}} f^{*}(S_{t}^{*,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{*}, d) \mathbb{1}_{d \in I_{t}^{*,k} = \left[\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_{t}^{*,i} : \sum_{i=0}^{k} C_{t}^{*,i}\right]}$$
(4)

with

$$f^*(s,c,d) = se^{\alpha^* + \beta^*(c-d)}$$
(5)

and

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{C}_t^* &= \left(\boldsymbol{C}_t^{*,k}\right)_{k=1,\ldots,n_*} \text{ the set of avalaible capacities at time } t \text{ in the country } *,\\ \boldsymbol{S}_t^* &= \left(\boldsymbol{S}_t^{*,k}\right)_{k=1,\ldots,n_*} \text{ the set of production costs at time } t \text{ in the country } *, \end{split}$$

Conditions to ensure increasing offer curve fuction of demand level : α and β are chosen to be independent of the marginal technology and $\beta < 0$.

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Illustration of offer curve



FIGURE - offer curve against demand level

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

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

- \mathcal{A}_1 market A exports at maximum of the interconnection to market B : $\mathcal{A}_1 := \{ w \in \Omega : P^A(S^A_t, C^A_t, D^A_t + \overline{E}) < P^B(S^B_t, C^B_t, D^B_t - \overline{E}) \}$
- \mathcal{A}_2 market B exports at maximum of the interconnection to market A : $\mathcal{A}_2 := \{ w \in \Omega : P^A(S_t^A, C_t^A, D_t^A + \underline{E}) > P^B(S_t^B, C_t^B, D_t^B - \underline{E}) \}$
- A₃the markets are coupled (prices are equal) : A₃ := Ω\(A₁ ∪ A₂)

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

$$\Omega = \bigcup_{1 \le i \le 3, \ 1 \le k \le , n_A, \ 1 \le l \le n_B} \mathcal{A}_{i,k,l}$$

with $A_{i,k,l} = A_i \cap M_{k,l}$ and $M_{k,l} := \{ \omega \in \Omega : D_t^A + E_t \in I_t^{A,k} ; D_t^B - E_t \in I_t^{B,l} \}$

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Spot price

We then define the spot price for each country as

$$\bar{P}^{A}(V_{t}) = \sum_{k=0}^{n_{A}} \sum_{l=0}^{n_{B}} f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1,k,l}} + f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \underline{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} +$$
(6)

 $f^{A,B}(V_t)\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}}$

$$\bar{P}^{B}(V_{t}) = \sum_{k=0}^{n_{A}} \sum_{l=0}^{n_{B}} f^{B}(S_{t}^{B,l}, \bar{C}_{t}^{B}, D_{t}^{B} - \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1,k,l}} + f^{B}(S_{t}^{B,l}, \bar{C}_{t}^{B}, D_{t}^{B} - \underline{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} +$$
(7)

 $f^{A,B}(V_t)\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}}$

with $V_t = (S_t^A, C_t^A, D_t^A, S_t^B, C_t^B, D_t^B)$

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Case
$$\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1,k,l}}$$
 and $\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}}$

These cases are quite trivial :

$$\mathbf{V}_{t} \in \mathcal{A}_{1,k,l} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} D_{t}^{A} + \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{A,k} \\ \\ D_{t}^{B} - \bar{E} \in I_{t}^{B,l} \\ f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \bar{E}) \leq f^{B}(S_{t}^{B,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{B}, D_{t}^{B} - \bar{E}) \end{cases}$$
(8)

and

$$V_{t} \in \mathcal{A}_{2,k,l} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} D_{t}^{A} + \underline{E} \in I_{t}^{A,k} \\ \\ D_{t}^{B} - \underline{E} \in I_{t}^{B,l} \\ f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \overline{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \underline{E}) \geq f^{B}(S_{t}^{B,k}, \overline{C}_{t}^{B}, D_{t}^{B} - \underline{E}) \end{cases}$$
(9)

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Case $\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}}$

We decompose $\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}$ into 3 incompatible events $\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}^A$, $\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}^B$, and $\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}^C = \mathcal{A}_{3,k,l} \setminus (\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}^A \cup \mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}^B)$



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

We then define the spot price for country A as

$$\bar{P}^{A}(V_{t}) = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_{A}} \sum_{l=0}^{n_{B}} f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} + f^{A}(S_{t}^{A,k}, \bar{C}_{t}^{A}, D_{t}^{A} + \underline{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} +$$
(10)

$$f^{A,B}(V_t)\mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}}\mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}}$$

Spot price for country B can be written similarly.

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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)

$$\mathbb{E}_t \left[\bar{P}^A_T (\boldsymbol{V}_T) \right] = \sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} \mathbb{E}_t \left[f^A (\boldsymbol{S}^{A,k}_T, \bar{\boldsymbol{C}}^A_T, \boldsymbol{D}^A_T + \bar{\boldsymbol{E}}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{1,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} \right] + \\ \mathbb{E}_t \left[f^A (\boldsymbol{S}^{A,k}_T, \bar{\boldsymbol{C}}^A_T, \boldsymbol{D}^A_T + \underline{\boldsymbol{E}}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} \right] + \\ \mathbb{E}_t \left[f^{A,B} (\boldsymbol{V}_T) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{3,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} \right]$$

The interconnection capacity prices are from country B to A

$$\sum_{\pi \in \Pi} \sum_{k=0}^{n_A} \sum_{l=0}^{n_B} \mathbb{E}_t \left[f^A(S_T^{A,k}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_T^A + \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} \right] - \mathbb{E}_t \left[f^B(S_T^{B,k}, \bar{C}_B^A, D_B^A - \bar{E}) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_{2,k,l}} \mathbb{1}_{S^{\pi}} \right]$$

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Existing model
Proposed model

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Illustration of forward prices simulation

Model has been calibrated on French and German 2014 data



FIGURE - one simulated path 1QAH

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Impact of interconnection maximum capacity



FIGURE – Forward prices for different \overline{E} , T = 100 days

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FIGURE – Interconnection prices for different \overline{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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R. Füss, S. Mahringer, M. Prokopczuk Electricity Spot and Derivatives Pricing when Markets are Interconnected https://ideas.repec.org/p/usg/sfwpfi/201323.html, working paper. Proposition Set $g(\mathbf{V}_t) = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_t^{A,i} - D_t^A$. $\mathbf{V}_t \in \mathcal{C}_{A,+}$ is equivalent to the following inequalities : 1 $0 \leq g(\mathbf{V}_t) < \overline{E}$ 2 $D_t^B - g(\mathbf{V}_t) \in I_t^{B,l}$ 3 $f^A\left(S_t^{A,k-1}, \overline{C}_t^A, D_t^A + g(\mathbf{V}_t)\right) \leq f^B\left(S_t^{B,l}, \overline{C}_t^B, D_t^B - g(\mathbf{V}_t)\right)$ 4 $f^A\left(S_t^{A,k}, \overline{C}_t^A, D_t^A + g(\mathbf{V}_t)\right) \geq f^B\left(S_t^{B,l}, \overline{C}_t^B, D_t^B - g(\mathbf{V}_t)\right)$

Proposition

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Set } g(\mathbf{V}_t) = D_t^A - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} C_t^{A,i}. \\ & \mathbf{V}_t \in \mathcal{C}_{A,-} \text{ is equivalent to the following inequalities :} \\ & \textcircled{1} \quad \underline{E} < g(\mathbf{V}_t) \leq 0 \\ & \textcircled{2} \quad D_t^B - g(\mathbf{V}_t) \in I_t^{B,l} \\ & \textcircled{3} \quad f^B \left(S_t^{B,l}, \bar{C}_t^B, D_t^B - g(\mathbf{V}_t) \right) < f^A \left(S_t^{A,k}, \bar{C}_t^A, D_t^A + g(\mathbf{V}_t) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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Installed Capacity end 2015 (GW)



FIGURE - YAH prices

Link between interconnection flows and renewable production



FIGURE - Example of flows between France and Germany, source RTE

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



FIGURE - 2013 price convergence