

# Contributions of Mathematical Optimization to Energy Management

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# Optimal dam management under “tourism” chance constraint



Jean-Christophe Alais, Pierre Carpentier, Michel De Lara. Multi-usage hydropower single dam management: chance-constrained optimization and stochastic viability. In *Energy Systems*, Volume 8, Issue 1, pp 7–30, February 2017



La collaboration a abouti au logiciel Hydroptim® qui utilise des algorithmes d'optimisation sous contraintes afin de déterminer la gestion optimale d'actifs hydroélectriques, à court, moyen ou long terme

# Design of a pumping station for energy transfer



- R & D SunHydrO project (FUI, public and private funding)
- design of a pumping station for energy transfer (10–12 MW)
- optimal trading on reserve markets

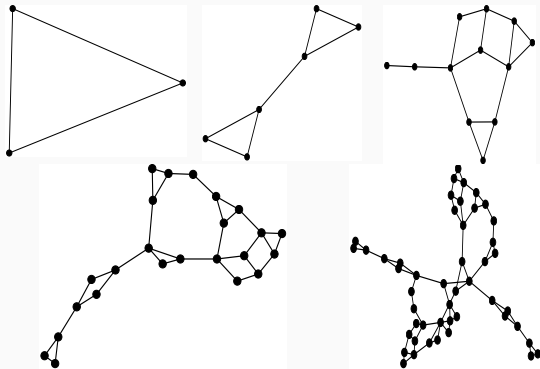


# Report on Optimization methods for smart grids

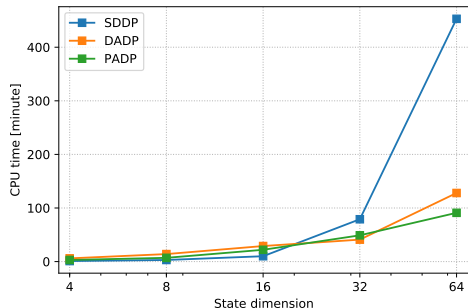


Michel De Lara, Pierre Carpentier, Jean-Philippe Chancelier, Vincent Leclère. Optimization Methods for the Smart Grid, report commissioned by Conseil Français de l'Énergie, october 2014

# Domestic district energy management



# Nodes $ \mathcal{N} $	3	6	12	24	48
dim $\mathbb{X}_t$	4	8	16	32	64
SDDP CPU time	1'	3'	10'	79'	453'
SDDP iterations	30	100	180	500	1500
DADP CPU time	6'	14'	29'	41'	128'
DADP iterations	27	34	30	19	29
PADP CPU time	3'	7'	22'	49'	91'
PADP iterations	11	12	20	19	20



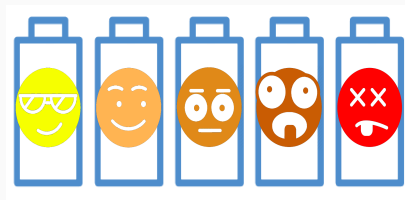
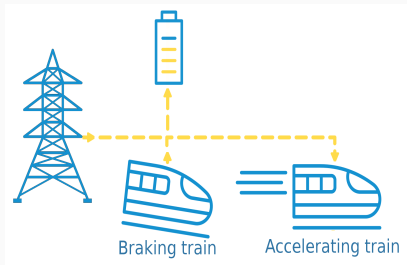
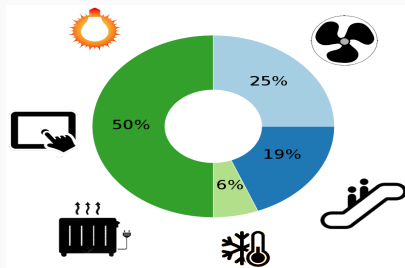
# Nodes $ \mathcal{N} $	3	6	12	24	48
SDDP LB	225.2	455.9	889.7	1752.8	3310.3
DADP LB	213.7	447.3	896.7	1787.0	3396.4
PADP UB	252.1	528.5	1052.3	2100.7	4016.6

**Table 1:** Upper and lower bounds for the optimal expected total cost

# Nodes $ \mathcal{N} $	3	6	12	24	48
SDDP value	$226 \pm 0.6$	$471 \pm 0.8$	$936 \pm 1.1$	$1859 \pm 1.6$	$3550 \pm 2.3$
DADP value	$228 \pm 0.6$	$464 \pm 0.8$	$923 \pm 1.2$	$1839 \pm 1.6$	$3490 \pm 2.3$
(SDDP-DADP)/SDDP	- 0.8 %	+ 1.5 %	+1.4%	+1.1%	+1.7%
PADP value	$229 \pm 0.6$	$471 \pm 0.8$	$931 \pm 1.1$	$1856 \pm 1.6$	$3508 \pm 2.2$
(SDDP-PADP)/SDDP	-1.3%	0.0%	+0.5%	+0.2%	+1.2%

**Table 2:** Simulation results for policies induced by SDDP, DADP and PADP

# Subway station energy management

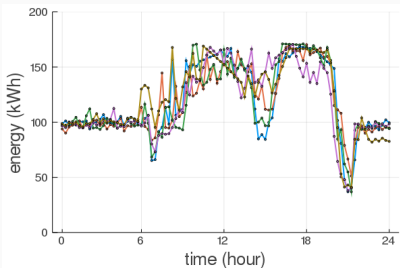
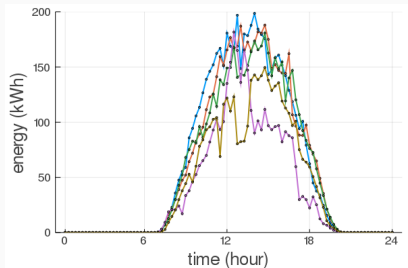
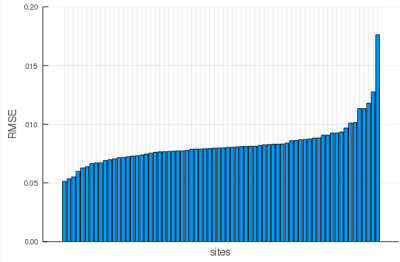
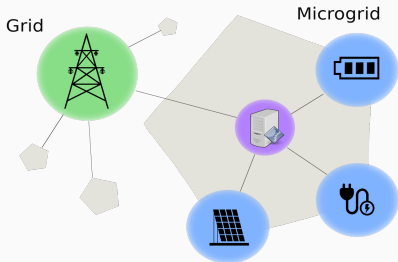




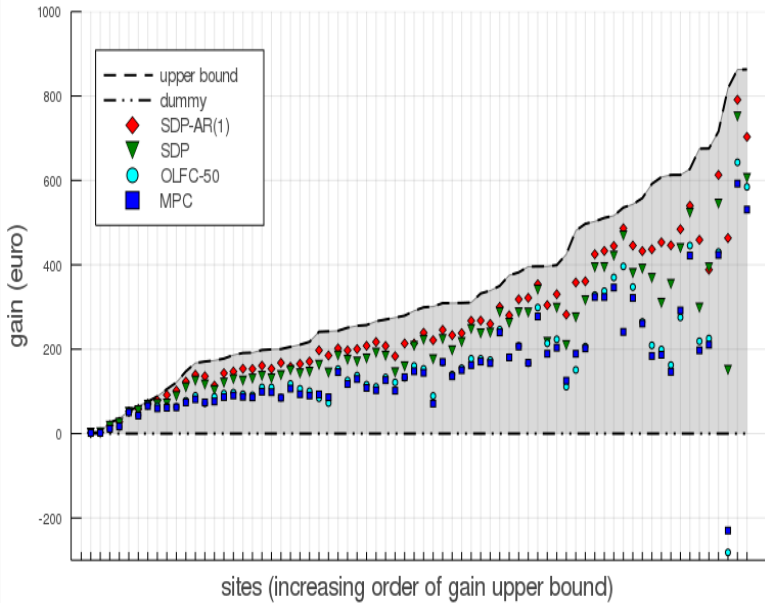
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	Performance score	Offline time (seconds)	Online time (seconds)
MPC	0.487	0.00	$9.82 \cdot 10^{-4}$
OLFC-10	0.506	0.00	$1.14 \cdot 10^{-2}$
OLFC-50	0.513	0.00	$8.62 \cdot 10^{-2}$
OLFC-100	0.510	0.00	$1.87 \cdot 10^{-1}$
SDP	0.691	2.67	$3.09 \cdot 10^{-4}$
SDP-AR(1)	0.794	38.1	$4.44 \cdot 10^{-4}$
SDP-AR(2)	0.795	468	$5.55 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Upper bound	1.0	-	-

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# Optimal economic dispatch

- Energy demand is  $d \geq 0$
- Production technologies:
  - stock energies:  
fossil fuels, gas, coal, nuclear power, hydropower (dam, pump-hydro storage)
  - flow energies:  
hydropower (run-of-river), wind power (onshore, offshore), solar photovoltaics
- Suppose that each technology  $j = 1, \dots, N$ 
  - has capacity  $\bar{q}^j > 0$
  - costs  $\mathcal{C}^j(q^j)$  to produce the quantity  $q^j \in [0, \bar{q}^j]$
- What energy mix  $q = (q^1, \dots, q^N)$  meets the demand at least cost?

# Optimal mix

An **optimal mix** is a vector  $q^* = (q^{*1}, \dots, q^{*N})$  that solves the minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{(q^1, \dots, q^N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^N C^j(q^j) \\ & q^j \leq \bar{q}^j, \quad j = 1, \dots, N \\ & \sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d \end{aligned}$$

# The value function is the optimal cost as a function of data

- The (optimal) **value function**  $j$  is defined by

$$j(\bar{q}^1, \dots, \bar{q}^N, d) = \inf_{(q^1, \dots, q^N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N} \sum_{j=1}^N C^j(q^j)$$
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for all  $(\bar{q}^1, \dots, \bar{q}^N, d) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{N+1}$

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# Convexity of cost functions induces convexity of the value function

- If the cost functions  $\mathcal{C}^j : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are convex, for  $j = 1, \dots, N$  (that is, increasing marginal costs)
- then the value function  $j$  is convex

$$j(\bar{q}^1, \dots, \bar{q}^N, d) = \inf_{(q^1, \dots, q^N) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N} \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{C}^j(q^j)$$
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$$\sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d$$

- and convex analysis provides **duality** tools for a sensitivity analysis

# Perturbation analysis

- Quantities  $q = (q^1, \dots, q^N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$
- Perturbations  $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon^1, \dots, \varepsilon^N, \varepsilon^{N+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$ ,  
as there are  $N + 1$  scalar constraints
- Multipliers  $\lambda = (\lambda^1, \dots, \lambda^N, \lambda^{N+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$  of the perturbations

We introduce the **perturbation scheme**

$$H(q, \varepsilon) = \sum_{j=1}^N C^j(q^j) + \sum_{j=1}^N \delta_{0 \leq q^j \leq \bar{q}^j + \varepsilon^j} + \delta_{\sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d + \varepsilon^{N+1}}$$

from which we calculate the **Lagrangian**

## Calculating the Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(q, \lambda) &= \inf_{\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}} \left( H(q, \varepsilon) + \sum_{j=1}^{N+1} \lambda^j \varepsilon^j \right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{C}^j(q^j) + \sum_{j=1}^N \inf_{\varepsilon^j \in \mathbb{R}} (\delta_{0 \leq q^j \leq \bar{q}^j + \varepsilon^j} + \lambda^j \varepsilon^j) \\ &\quad + \inf_{\varepsilon^{N+1} \in \mathbb{R}} (\delta_{\sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d + \varepsilon^{N+1}} + \lambda^{N+1} \varepsilon^{N+1}) \\ &= \begin{cases} -\infty & \text{if } \lambda \notin \mathbb{R}_+^N \times \mathbb{R}_- \\ \sum_{j=1}^N \mathcal{C}^j(q^j) + \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda^j (q^j - \bar{q}^j) + \delta_{0 \leq q^j \leq \bar{q}^j} \\ \quad + \lambda^{N+1} (d - \sum_{j=1}^N q^j) + \delta_{\sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d} & \text{if } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^N \times \mathbb{R}_- \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

The **Lagrangian** is, for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+^N \times \mathbb{R}_-$ ,  $0 \leq q^j \leq \bar{q}^j$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^N q^j \geq d$ , given by

$$\mathcal{L}(q, \lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^N (\mathcal{C}^j(q^j) + \lambda^j (q^j - \bar{q}^j) - \lambda^{N+1} q^j) + \lambda^{N+1} d$$

and  $-\infty$  elsewhere

## Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) condition

The couple  $(q^*, \lambda^*) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N \times \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$  satisfies the KKT condition if  $(q^*, \lambda^*)$  is a saddle point of the Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}$ , that is,

$$q^* \in \arg \min_{q \in \mathbb{R}_+^N} \mathcal{L}(q, \lambda^*)$$

$$\lambda^* \in \arg \max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}} \mathcal{L}(q^*, \lambda)$$

- Provide sufficient conditions depending on the data  $\bar{q}^1, \dots, \bar{q}^N, d$  under which such a saddle point  $(q^*, \lambda^*)$  exists
- Show that, once the multipliers  $\lambda^*$  are fixed, the quantities  $q^*$  can be calculated in a decentralized fashion

## Back to the Lagrangian

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so that

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$$j = 1, \dots, N$$

$$\lambda^* \in \arg \max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}} \mathcal{L}(q^*, \lambda) \iff \begin{cases} \lambda^j(q^j - \bar{q}^j) = 0 & j = 1, \dots, N \\ \lambda^{N+1}(d - \sum_{j=1}^N q^j) = 0 \end{cases}$$

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## The dual problem is a linear program



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