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Development and Testing of New Tools

Tools for Secure Planning and Operations of Systems with Stochastic Sources, Energy Storage and Active Demand

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Project Overview



MATOWER

Free, open-source power system simulation environment with extensible OPF and interfaces to state-of-the-art solvers.

- bug fixes, performance enhancements, general maintenance
- used worldwide in teaching, research, consulting
- momentum growing
- 37,000 downloads of version 4.x
- 12,000 of those in the last year
- growing user support needs
- serves as foundation for all tools in this project

MATPOWER

Near term (few months) plans, new release including ...

- accumulated enhancements, fixes since v4.1
- contributed code:
 - continuation power flow
 - contributed by Shrirang Abhyankar (Argonne), Alex Flueck, (IIT)
 - applications of SDP (semi-definite programming) relaxations to the OPF
 - contributed by Dan Molzahn (U of Wisc/Madison)
 - solver for SDP relaxation of OPF problem
 - sufficient condition for global optimality of specified OPF solution
 - sufficient conditions for insolvability of the power flow equations

MATPOWER

Longer term (over next year) ...

- integrate 3rd generation SuperOPF into a new MATPOWER release
- assured wide distribution
- significant boost for other researchers
- increased visibility and opportunities for feedback
- LOTS of cleanup and documentation work required to make this work

SuperOPF Planning Tool

- used extensively by R & M Project 2E: "Mapping Energy Futures: SuperOPF Planning Tool" (Bill Schulze)
- based on 1st gen (single-period) SuperOPF
- coupled DC OPF of multiple scenarios
- tied together by capacities that reflect investment/retirement
- additional constraints, e.g. regional build limits

SuperOPF Planning Tool

- modified formulation
 - added ability to specify scenario-specific availability factors
 - improved ability to model wind and solar
 - greatly improved performance
 - via techniques to improve problem robustness enabling us to exploit the speed and scalability of interior point solvers
- current problem size
 - Eastern Interconnect with 73 representative hours
 - over 7 million variables, almost 19 million constraints
- looking toward integration of binary variables

Multi-period SuperOPF (2nd gen)

- used extensively by R & M Project 2A: Evaluating Effects of Managing Controllable Demand & DER *(Tim Mount)*
- coupled OPF scenarios (wind and outage scenarios for multi-period horizon)
- linked within a period by reserve and redispatch vars/costs/constraints
- linked through time by storage and ramping vars/costs/constraints
- transitions from period-to-period, state-to-state governed by transition probability matrices
- implications
 - not tracking individual trajectories, only bounds on a "central path" (e.g. load following ramp)
 - not tracking actual amounts of stored energy, only storage state bounds for "central path"

Toy System for Illustration



- conventional gen with quadratic cost
- constant deterministic load
- 100% efficient grid-level storage unit
- wind generator with normally distributed output, with 2 parameters:
 - variability
 - uncertainty

Uncertainty & Variability



Example of Tradeoff of Storage Usage

time arbitrage vs. uncertainty mitigation



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Worst Case Storage Constraint Problem


Relaxing Worst Case Storage Constraints



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Value of Leftover Storage in Terminal States

- 5 price model, allowing to specify a unique value for each of the following 5 types of contributions to the total expected value of leftover stored energy:
 - charging or discharging in non-terminal states
 - charging in terminal end-of-horizon base states
 - discharging in terminal end-of-horizon base states
 - charging in terminal contingency states
 - discharging in terminal contingency states
- optional cyclic storage constraint
 - initial stored energy is a variable, constrained to equal expected final stored energy
- optional target constraint for expected stored energy





















Storage Efficiency

- input efficiency
- output efficiency
- losses



















Simulation Environment

- multi-period SuperOPF (2nd/3rd gen)
- two stage structure
 - stage 1 day-ahead / hour-ahead
 - multiperiod determines contracts for energy, reserve/ramping capacity and unit commitment
 - computes 24-hour plan
 - stage 2 real-time / balancing
 - determines balancing energy, real-time prices
 - executes based on the plan and resolved uncertainties

Day-at-a-Time vs. Receding Horizon



Traditional Approach – Stage 1 runs *once-perday*, finds hourly solution for *full day*; stage 2 runs intra-hour, finds single period solution subject to *day-ahead* contracts.



Receding Horizon Approach – Stage 1 runs *hourly*, finds solution for *first hour* with hourly full-day look-ahead; stage 2 runs intra-hour, finds single period solution subject to *hour-ahead* contracts.

Stage 1 Requires Input Scenarios

- Uncertainty characteristics must reflect increased accuracy of shorter term forecasts
- Previous approach
 - generate simulated forecast for entire wind/load data sets
 - select forecasts "similar" to planning day
 - cluster to generate scenarios for each hour and transition probabilities
 - Issues
 - not enough "similar" days
 - even "similar" days don't have shared starting point (current operating state)
 - resulting scenarios do not adequately cover tails
- New approach
 - estimate models for temperature, load and wind
 - use model to generate many potential realizations of planning day based on common history
 - cluster to generate scenarios for each hour and transition probabilities
 - with new techniques for incorporating outliers and scenarios with specific behaviors
Input Data File Standards



Unit Commitment SuperOPF (3rd gen)

Same as 2nd gen Multi-period SuperOPF, with addition of ...

- integer unit commitment decisions
- startup/shutdown costs
- minimum up/down times

Implementation is Flexible

Can be used to solve DC versions of:

- standard deterministic OPF
- single period secure, stochastic OPF (1st gen SuperOPF)
- multiperiod deterministic OPF (with ramping, storage)
- multiperiod secure, stochastic OPF (2nd gen SuperOPF)
- deterministic UC w/economic dispatch
- deterministic UC w/OPF constraints
- secure, stochastic UC with individual trajectories
- secure, stochastic UC with full transition probabilities

Plan to integrate into upcoming version of MATPOWER for wide distribution.

References

- Two papers
 - Carlos E. Murillo-Sánchez, Ray D. Zimmerman, C. Lindsay Anderson and Robert J. Thomas, "A Stochastic, Contingency-Based Security-Constrained Optimal Power Flow for the Procurement of Energy and Distributed Reserve", *Decision Support Systems*, 2013, <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.dss.2013.04.006</u>.
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- Presentation at FERC Software Conference "Increasing Real-time and Day-ahead Market Efficiency Through Improved Software"
 - http://www.ferc.gov/industries/electric/indus-act/market-planning/2013conference.asp

Discussion of UC SuperOPF Implementation and Preliminary Results

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Traditional MIP UC formulation

$$u^{ti} P_{\min}^{tijk} \leq p^{tijk} \leq u^{ti} P_{\max}^{tijk}$$
$$u^{ti} Q_{\min}^{tijk} \leq q^{tijk} \leq u^{ti} Q_{\max}^{tijk}$$
$$u^{ti} - u^{(t-1)i} = v^{ti} - w^{ti}$$
$$\sum_{y=t-\tau_i^++1}^t v^{yi} \leq u^{ti}, \sum_{y=t-\tau_i^-+1}^t w^{yi} \leq 1 - u^{ti}$$

- In practice, only *u* variables need to be defined as binary.
- A *u* variable shuts down all injections related to a given generator in a given time slice (all scenarios, all contingencies and base cases).
- On input, a unit can have "available for commitment decision", "forced on" or "forced off" status.
- However, a number of issues must be addressed for incorporation into the SuperOPF framework.

The lighter issues

- Several changes introduced in the code so that all required injections are represented.
- Forced-off injections trigger superfluous contingencies filters and pruning occurs.

The issue of structure

- The SuperOPF tree can be thought of as a probability tree with recombination of scenarios in the central path.
- A contingency might be defined in which one of the generators available for the commitment decision goes offline.
- If *u*=0, that contingency is superfluous and the base case in the corresponding scenario should assimilate that contingency's probability.
- Indeed, u=0 or u=1 changes the structure of the probability tree and the corresponding probability weights in the cost function!
- Can adopt a cost formulation that switches on or off certain cost segments (for linear or piecewise linear costs), but it is messy and introduces u's in the cost in a complicated manner (otherwise each u simply triggers the fixed part of the corresponding operation cost into the objective).

A simplification

- Ignore the issue of structural change in probability tree; ok if probabilities of injection outages are small.
- Then, if *u*=0, the contingency for which the generator in question is ousted generates a power flow that is identical to that of the base case, so no reserve requirements will be set by the superfluous contingency flow.
- If *u*=1 all is fine.
- The relative weighting of the base case can be a little bit off if *u*=0 because of this simplification.

Looking out to other formulations

- There are tighter UC MIP formulations, but the better ones are aimed at network-less power balance and fixed reserve formulations.
- The binary variables enter the simple power balance constraints: injections split in fixed *u*-weighted Pmin plus a variable (Pg-Pmin) with zero lower bound.
- In a formulation with an explicit DC network flow (such as the single-QP version of the multi-period SuperOPF), the binary variables would enter into a staggering amount of network constraints, complicating the cuts.
- Not included yet: prescribed startup curves.

Status

- Testing currently under way with 30 bus and 118 bus systems.
- A systematic exploration of parameter fine-tuning for CPLEX, Gurobi, is underway, and is necessary.
- Preliminary results in concordance with expectations given experience with continuous multi-period SuperOPF.
- Still not tested (but coded): Decompositionbased AC version. Each central problem much simpler than the corresponding MPSOPF with DC network.

Example: 30 bus

- Gens 1 & 2: large coal
- Gens 3 & 4: peakers
- Gens 5 & 6: medium coal
- Gen 7: storage (small)
- Gens 8 & 9: large wind
- Wind uncertainty increased from zero to actual forecast uncertainty; four wind scenarios (NREL)
- Contingencies: generator outages



Stored Energy for Storage Unit 1 (Gen 7) @ Bus 7





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Energy, MWh





Stored Energy for Storage Unit 1 (Gen 7) @ Bus 7







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Period

Energy, MWh



Questions