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A Library for Linear Modelling of Energy Systems

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Context and Benefits



Research Directions

Research on microgrids and smart buildings

- Optimization of energy demand
- Solutions for generation
- Storage management
- Economic feasibility
- Environmental assessments

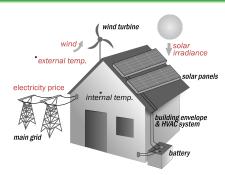
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Scientific Issues

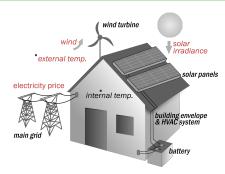
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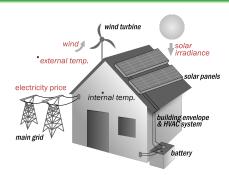
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Minimize Cost, subjected to:

- Forecasts: generation, loads, occupancy, weather
- Informations : GIS, BIM, measurements
- Energy balance,
- Load/Storage Management,
- Physical limits : the models

Time and Space Scales

Time Scale

- Generation Following
- Daily Management
- Seasonal Study
- Life Cycle Analysis

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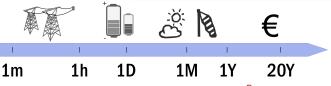
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 - ♠ Heuristic
 - Rule-based
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 - ♠ LP, MILP
 - ♠ QP, QCQP, SDP
 - ♠ NLP, MINLP
 - Stochastic,

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Non-Linear Programming

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Main Objective

Develop an Oriented Object python package for the Mixed-Integer Linear Modeling of District Energy Systems.

- Linear & Mixed Integer Linear (& Quadratic) Programming
 - ↑ Convergence, Speed, Matrix size
 - ★ Energy Management, Topology and Sizing Problems,
 - ★ Compatible with Centralized, Aggregative or Decentralize Methods, Stochastic/Robust optimization (hybrid).
- **■** Object Oriented (Python and solver API)
 - ★ To make the modeling and post-processing easier (vs. GAMS, AMPL, etc.)
 - ★ To gather and share models
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Definitions

Integer Program

An optimization model is an Integer Program if any of its decision variables is discrete

- If all variables are discrete, the model is a pure integer program
- Otherwise, the model is a mixed-integer program

Standard Mixed-Integer Linear Programming (MILP) Formulation

$$min_{x,y} \quad c^{\top}x + d^{\top}y$$
s.t.
$$Ax + Ey \begin{cases} \geq \\ = \\ \leq \end{cases} b$$

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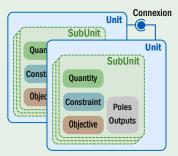
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The concept

Basic Ideas

- The Unit integrates his own Quantities, Contraints and Objectives
- Connexions between Units create Global Constraints
- The Problem is created by aggregating Units and Connecting them



LLMSE: Library for Linear Modelling of Energy Systems

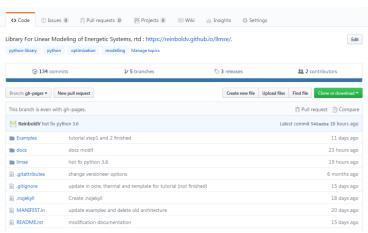
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LLMSE: Library for Linear Modelling of Energy Systems

Quick View to the Source

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LLMSE: Library for Linear Modelling of Energy Systems

Quick View to the Documentation

The Documentation:



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This is the documentation of the LLMES's python package (Library For Linear Modeling of Energetic Systems). This project is about the mixed linear modeling of energetic systems in python using gurobipy and SciPy packages. Gurobipy is a wrapper allowing to model and solve mixed integer linear programming within python language. More information here: Gurobi Python API Overview.

Getting Started

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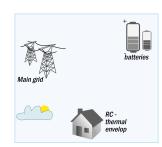
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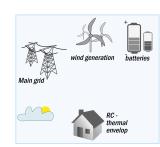
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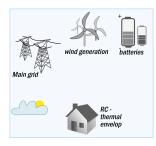
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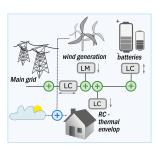
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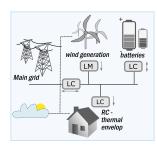
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 - 15 mgm.addunit(th, bui, sb0, wt0, mg0)
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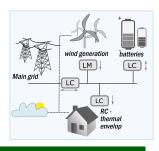
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- 16 mgm.addEffortConnection(...) # introduce equality
- 17 mgm.addFluxConnection(...) # introduce conservation equality
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- 18 mgm.update()
- 19 mgm.optimize()



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Smart-Grid Example (24h)

- ▶ 19 lines of code (≈ 1000 in total) $\equiv 4\,000$ lines in LP language
- 1 400 variables, 2 400 constraints
- Optimization time $\leq 1 s$ (i7-6600U, 2.60GHz, 8GB / Python 2.7 / Gurobi 6.5)

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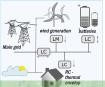
- Make the Optimization Formulation Easier
- ♠ Develop, Share and Gather Models For DES
- Documentation and Post-Processing Easier using Python
- Application for District Energy System



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- 1. Oriented Object Tool for Optimization
- 2. Application for District Energy System
 - (In development) Modeling of Pipes, Network, Thermal Storage
 - (In development) Social, Environmental and Economical models
 - ★ Topology and Sizing Optimization
 - ★ Comparison with NL models





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Perspectives

- Develop/Feed Models and Examples for the Library,
- Building a community
- Real Implementation & Measurements



