

Consumer's problem

Note: in the model below, P_t^{G2H} is the power from grid to home (G2H) and P_t^{H2G} is the power from home to grid (H2G) in time t (kW). The energy sold to the grid (home to grid) in each time interval is $E_t^{G2H} = P_t^{G2H} \Delta t$ and the energy bought is $E_t^{H2G} = P_t^{H2G} \Delta t$.

The parameters and the other variables are defined after the model formulation.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{P_t^{G2H}, P_t^{H2G}} f &= \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{t \in P_i} (x_i P_t^{G2H} \Delta t) - \sum_{t=1}^T (c P_t^{H2G} \Delta t) \\
 \text{s. t.} & \\
 & \text{Shiftable loads:} \\
 \sum_{t=T_{1j}}^{T_{2j}-d_j+1} s_{jt}^{Sh} &= 1 & j = 1 \dots J \\
 P_{jt}^{Sh} &= \sum_{r=1}^{d_j} f_{jr} \times s_{j(t-r+1)}^{Sh} & j = 1, \dots, J, \quad t = T_{1j}, \dots, T_{2j} \\
 & \quad (r \leq t \wedge r \leq t+1 - T_{1j}) \\
 P_{jt}^{Sh} &= 0 & j = 1, \dots, J, \quad t < T_{1j} \vee t > T_{2j} \\
 s_{jt}^{Sh} &\in \{0,1\} & j = 1, \dots, J, \quad t = T_{1j}, \dots, T_{2j} - d_j + 1 \\
 & \text{Electric water heater:} \\
 P_t^{losses} &= A \cdot U (\tau_t - \tau_t^{amb}) \quad , \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
 \tau_{t+1} &= \left(\frac{M-m_t}{M} \cdot \tau_t + \frac{m_t}{M} \cdot \tau^{net} \right) + \frac{P^R v_t - P_t^{losses}}{M c^p} \cdot \Delta t \quad , \quad t = 0, \dots, T-1 \\
 \tau_t &\geq \tau^{conf} (1 - v_t) & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 \tau_t &\leq \tau^{max} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 P_t^{EWH} &= P^R v_t \\
 \sum_{t=1}^{T-t^{req}+1} n_t &= 1 \\
 \tau_t &\geq \sum_{\substack{t'=1 \\ (t' \leq t)}}^{t^{req}} \tau^{req} \times n_{t-t'+1} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 v_t &\in \{0,1\}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T \quad ; \quad n_t \in \{0,1\}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T - t^{req} + 1 \\
 & \text{Air conditioner:} \\
 \theta_t^{in} &= (1 - \beta) \theta_{t-1}^{in} + \beta \theta_{t-1}^{ext} + \gamma P^{AC} s_{t-1}^{AC}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
 \theta_t^{in} &\geq \theta^{min} - \mathcal{M} s_t^{AC} \quad , & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 \theta_t^{in} &\leq \theta^{max} + \mathcal{M} (1 - s_t^{AC}) & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 P_t^{AC} &= s_t^{AC} P_{AC}^{nom} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 s_t^{AC} &\in \{0,1\} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 & \text{Static battery:} \\
 E_t^B &= E_{t-1}^B + (\eta_{ch}^B P_t^{H2B} \Delta t) - (P_t^{B2H} \Delta t / \eta_{dch}^B) & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 E_{min}^B &\leq E_t^B \leq E_{max}^B & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 0 &\leq P_t^{H2B} \leq P_{max}^{Bch} s_t^{H2B} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
 0 &\leq P_t^{B2H} \leq P_{max}^{Bdch} s_t^{B2H} & t = 1, \dots, T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
s_t^{H2B} + s_t^{B2H} &\leq 1 & t = 1, \dots, T \\
E_T^B &\geq E_0^B \\
s_t^{H2B}, s_t^{B2H} &\in \{0,1\} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
\end{aligned}$$

Electric vehicle battery:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_t^V &= E_{t-1}^V + (\eta_{ch}^V P_t^{H2V} \Delta t) - (P_t^{V2H} \Delta t / \eta_{dch}^V) & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
E_{min}^V &\leq E_t^V \leq E_{max}^V & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
0 &\leq P_t^{H2V} \leq P_{max}^{Vch} s_t^{H2V} & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
0 &\leq P_t^{V2H} \leq P_{max}^{Vdch} s_t^{V2H} & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
s_t^{H2V} + s_t^{V2H} &\leq 1 & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
E_{t_d}^V &\geq E_{req}^V \\
s_t^{H2V}, s_t^{V2H} &\in \{0,1\} & t = 1, \dots, T \\
\end{aligned}$$

Power flows:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq P_t^{G2H} \leq P_{G_max} s_t^{G2H} \quad , \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
0 &\leq P_t^{H2G} \leq P_{G_max} s_t^{H2G} \quad , \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
s_t^{G2H} + s_t^{H2G} &\leq 1 \quad , \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
P_t^{G2H} - P_t^{H2G} + L_t^{PV} &= L_t^{Base} + \sum_{j=1}^J P_{j,t}^{Sh} + P_t^{EWH} + P_t^{AC} + (P_t^{H2B} - P_t^{B2H}), & t \leq t_a \vee t > t_d \\
P_t^{G2H} - P_t^{H2G} + L_t^{PV} &= L_t^{Base} + \sum_{j=1}^J P_{j,t}^{Sh} + P_t^{EWH} + P_t^{AC} + (P_t^{H2B} - P_t^{B2H}) + (P_t^{H2V} - P_t^{V2H}), & t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d \\
s_t^{G2H}, s_t^{H2G} &\in \{0,1\} \quad , \quad t = 1, \dots, T
\end{aligned}$$

Parameters and variables

Δt : length of the time interval (unit of time) in hours corresponding to the discretization of the planning horizon

Shiftable loads:

Parameters:

J : number of shiftable loads ($j \in \{1, \dots, J\}$)

d_j : duration of load j operation cycle

f_{jr} : power requested by load j at stage (time) $r = 1, \dots, d_j$ of its working cycle (kW)

$[T_{1j}, T_{2j}] \subset T$: comfort operation time slot allowed by the consumer for load j

Variables:

$s_{jt}^{Sh} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if shiftable appliance } j \text{ begins its operation in time } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$, $t = T_{1j}, \dots, T_{2j} - d_j + 1$

P_{jt}^{Sh} : power required by load j in time $t \in T$ (kW) (implicit variable determined by s_{jt}^{Sh})

Electric water heater

Parameters:

- P^R : power of the resistive heating element (kW)
- τ_t^{amb} : ambient temperature around the EWH in time t ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), $t = 1, \dots, T$
- τ^{net} : inlet water temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- m_t : water withdrawal for consumption in time t (kg), $t = 0, \dots, T$
- M : hot water tank capacity (kg)
- A : area of the tank envelope (m^2)
- U : heat transfer coefficient of the tank ($\text{kW}/\text{m}^2 \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- c^p : specific heat of the water ($\text{J}/\text{kg} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- τ^{max} : maximum allowed temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- τ^{conf} : comfort temperature ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- t^{req} : number of time units required to maintain a certain temperature to eliminate the legionella bacteria
- τ^{req} : temperature specified to be kept for t^{req} to eliminate the legionella bacteria ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)

Variables (for $t \in T$):

- $v_t \in \{0,1\}$: binary variable defining the off/on control of the heating element in time t (v_0 is a constant)
- τ_t : hot water temperature inside the tank in time t ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), (τ_0 is a constant)
- $n_t \in \{0,1\}$: binary variable equal to 1 in the first t of the period with duration t^{req} in which $\tau_t > \tau^{req}$, $t = 1, \dots, T - t^{req} + 1$.
- P_t^{losses} : power losses through the envelope in time t (kW), (implicit variables determined by τ_t ; P_0^{losses} is a constant)
- P_t^{EWH} : power required by the EWH in time t (kW), (implicit variables determined by v_t)

Air conditioner

Parameters:

- $\theta^{min}, \theta^{max}$: minimum and maximum allowed indoor temperature during the planning horizon ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- θ_t^{ext} : outdoor temperature in time t ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), $t = 0, \dots, T$
- P_{AC}^{nom} : nominal power of the AC system (kW)
- α, β, γ : coefficients associated with the thermal modeling of the space being conditioned
- $\mathcal{M}$: big positive number

Variables (for $t = 1, \dots, T$):

- $s_t^{AC} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variable defining the off/on control of the AC system in time t (s_0^{AC} is a constant)
- θ_t^{in} : indoor temperature in time t ($^{\circ}\text{C}$), (implicit variables determined by s_t^{AC} ; θ_0^{in} is a constant)
- P_t^{AC} : power required by the AC in time t (kW)

Static battery:

Parameters:

- $\eta_{ch}^B, \eta_{ach}^B$: charging and discharging efficiency of the battery
- E_{min}^B, E_{max}^B : minimum and maximum allowed battery charge

E_0^B : initial battery charge (kWh)

$P_{max}^{Bch}/P_{max}^{Bdch}$: maximum charge/discharge power allowed for the battery (kW)

Variables (for $t = 1, \dots, T$):

$s_t^{H2B} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the battery B is (is not) charging in time t

$s_t^{B2H} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the battery B is (is not) discharging in time t

E_t^B : energy in the battery in time t (kWh), (E_0^B is a constant)

P_t^{B2H} : power withdrawn from the battery to home (B2H) in time t (battery discharge)

P_t^{H2B} : power withdrawn from the home to the battery (H2B) in time t (battery charge)

Electric vehicle battery:

Parameters:

t_a, t_d : time of arrival and departure of the EV

$\eta_{ch}^V, \eta_{dch}^V$: charging and discharging efficiency of the EV battery

E_{min}^V, E_{max}^V : minimum and maximum allowed EV battery charge (kWh)

$E_{t_a}^V$: initial EV battery charge, at the time of arrival t_a (kWh)

E_{req}^V : EV battery charge requested at the time of departure t_d (kWh)

$P_{max}^{Vch}, P_{max}^{Vdch}$: maximum charge and discharge power allowed for the EV battery (kW)

Variables (all for $t = t_a + 1, \dots, t_d$):

$s_t^{H2V} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the EV battery is (is not) charging in time t

$s_t^{V2H} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the EV battery is (is not) discharging in time t

E_t^V : energy in the EV battery in time t ($E_{t_a}^V$ is a constant)

P_t^{H2V} : power withdrawn from the home to the EV battery (H2V) in time t (EV battery charge)

P_t^{V2H} : power withdrawn from the EV battery to home (V2H) in time t (EV battery discharge)

Power flows:

Parameters:

P_{max}^G : maximum power allowed for exchanges with the grid

L_t^{Base} : power of non-controllable base load in time t (kW), corresponding to appliances that are not deemed for control (e.g., lighting, fridge, oven, etc.)

L_t^{PV} : local PV power in time t (kWh)

Variables (for $t = 1, \dots, T$):

$s_t^{G2H} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the energy is (is not) flowing from grid to home in time t

$s_t^{H2G} \in \{0,1\}$: binary variables that are 1 (0) when the energy is (is not) flowing from home to grid in time t