Quadratic Support Functions and Extended Mathematical Programs

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- Happy Birthday Jim
- Mentor, colleague and friend
- Now dominoized via NEOS!

 Even though not a convex composite optimization or exact penalization, this really does use constrained optimization, and a fairly recent image!



Hydro-Thermal System (Philpott/F./Wets)



- Competing agents (consumers, or generators in energy market)
- Each agent minimizes objective independently (cost)
- Market prices are function of all agents activities

Simple electricity "system optimization" problem

SO:
$$\max_{d_k, u_i, v_j, x_i \ge 0} \quad \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} W_k(d_k) - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{T}} C_j(v_j) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}} V_i(x_i)$$

s.t.
$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}} U_i(u_i) + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{T}} v_j \ge \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} d_k,$$
$$x_i = x_i^0 - u_i + h_i^1, \quad i \in \mathcal{H}$$

- u_i water release of hydro reservoir $i \in \mathcal{H}$
- v_j thermal generation of plant $j \in \mathcal{T}$
- x_i water level in reservoir $i \in \mathcal{H}$
- prod fn U_i (strictly concave) converts water release to energy
- $C_j(v_j)$ denote the cost of generation by thermal plant
- $V_i(\mathbf{x}_i)$ future value of terminating with storage x (assumed separable)
- $W_k(d_k)$ utility of consumption d_k

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SO equivalent to CE (price takers)

Consumers
$$k \in \mathcal{K}$$
 solve $CP(k)$: $\max_{\substack{d_k \geq 0 \\ d_k \geq 0}} W_k(d_k) - p^T d_k$
Thermal plants $j \in \mathcal{T}$ solve $TP(j)$: $\max_{\substack{v_j \geq 0 \\ v_j \geq 0}} p^T v_j - C_j(v_j)$
Hydro plants $i \in \mathcal{H}$ solve $HP(i)$: $\max_{\substack{u_i, x_i \geq 0 \\ u_i, x_i \geq 0}} p^T U_i(u_i) + V_i(x_i)$
s.t. $x_i = x_i^0 - u_i + h_i^1$

Perfectly competitive (Walrasian) equilibrium is a MOPEC

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathsf{CE:} & d_k \in \arg\max\mathsf{CP}(k), & k \in \mathcal{K}, \\ & v_j \in \arg\max\mathsf{TP}(j), & j \in \mathcal{T}, \\ & u_i, x_i \in \arg\max\mathsf{HP}(i), & i \in \mathcal{H}, \\ & 0 \leq p \perp \sum_{i \in \mathcal{H}} U_i\left(u_i\right) + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{T}} v_j \geq \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} d_k. \end{array}$$

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MOPEC

$$\min_{x_i} \theta_i(x_i, x_{-i}, p) \text{ s.t. } g_i(x_i, x_{-i}, p) \leq 0, \forall i$$

p solves $VI(h(x, \cdot), C)$

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equilibrium
min theta(1) x(1) g(1)
...
min theta(m) x(m) g(m)
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vi h p cons
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- (Generalized) Nash
- Reformulate optimization problem as first order conditions (complementarity)
- Use nonsmooth Newton methods to solve
- Solve overall problem using "individual optimizations"?



Stochastic: Agents have recourse?

- Agents face uncertainties in reservoir inflows
- Two stage stochastic programming, x^1 is here-and-now decision, recourse decisions x^2 depend on realization of a random variable
- ρ is a risk measure (e.g. expectation, CVaR)

SP: min
$$c(x^1) + \rho[q^T x^2]$$

s.t. $Ax^1 = b$, $x^1 \ge 0$,
 $T(\omega)x^1 + W(\omega)x^2(\omega) \ge d(\omega)$,
 $x^2(\omega) \ge 0, \forall \omega \in \Omega$.



Risk Measures

- Modern approach to modeling risk aversion uses concept of risk measures
- \overline{CVaR}_{α} : mean of upper tail beyond α -quantile (e.g. $\alpha = 0.95$)





- mean-risk, mean deviations from quantiles, VaR, CVaR
- Much more in mathematical economics and finance literature
- Optimization approaches still valid, different objectives, varying convex/non-convex difficulty

Dual Representation of Risk Measures

• Dual representation (of coherent r.m.) in terms of risk sets

$$ho(Z) = \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{D}} \mathbb{E}_{\mu}[Z]$$

• If
$$\mathcal{D} = \{p\}$$
 then $\rho(Z) = \mathbb{E}[Z]$
• If $\mathcal{D}_{\alpha,p} = \{\lambda : 0 \le \lambda_i \le p_i/(1-\alpha), \sum_i \lambda_i = 1\}$, then
 $\rho(Z) = \overline{CVaR}_{\alpha}(Z)$

• Special case of a Quadratic Support Function

$$\rho(\mathbf{y}) = \sup_{u \in U} \langle u, B\mathbf{y} + b \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle u, Mu \rangle$$

• EMP allows any Quadratic Support Function to be defined and facilitates a model transformation to a tractable form for solution

Addition: compose equilibria with QS functions

• Add soft penalties to objectives and/or within constraints:

 $\min_{x} \theta(x) + \rho_O(F(x))$ s.t. $\rho_C(g(x)) \le 0$

QS g rhoC udef B M

QSF cvarup F rhoO theta p

- \$batinclude QSprimal modname using emp min obj
- Allow modeler to compose QS functions automatically

- Can solve using MCP or primal reformulations
- More general conjugate functions also possible:



The link to MOPEC

$$\min_{x \in X} \theta(x) + \rho(F(x))$$
$$\rho(y) = \sup_{u \in U} \langle u, y \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle u, Mu \rangle$$

 $0 \in \partial \theta(x) + \nabla F(x)^{\mathsf{T}} \partial \rho(F(x)) + N_X(x)$

$$0 \in \partial \theta(x) + \nabla F(x)^{T} u + N_{X}(x)$$

$$0 \in -u + \partial \rho(F(x)) \iff 0 \in -F(x) + Mu + N_{U}(u)$$

This is a MOPEC, and we have multiple copies of this for each agent

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Two stage stochastic MOPEC (1,1,1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CP:} & \min_{d^{1}, d_{\omega}^{2} \geq 0} \quad p^{1}d^{1} - W(d^{1}) + \rho_{C} \left[p_{\omega}^{2}d_{\omega}^{2} - W(d_{\omega}^{2}) \right] \\ \text{TP:} & \min_{v^{1}, v_{\omega}^{2} \geq 0} \quad C(v^{1}) - p^{1}v^{1} + \rho_{T} \left[C(v_{\omega}^{2}) - p_{\omega}^{2}v^{2}(\omega) \right] \\ \text{HP:} & \min_{\substack{u^{1}, x^{1} \geq 0 \\ u_{\omega}^{2}, x_{\omega}^{2} \geq 0}} \quad - p^{1}U(u^{1}) + \rho_{H} \left[-p^{2}(\omega)U(u_{\omega}^{2}) - V(x_{\omega}^{2}) \right] \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad x^{1} = x^{0} - u^{1} + h^{1}, \\ & x_{\omega}^{2} = x^{1} - u_{\omega}^{2} + h_{\omega}^{2} \end{aligned}$$

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- Each agent has its own risk measure, e.g. 0.8EV + 0.2CVaR
- Is there a system risk measure?
- Is there a system optimization problem?

 $\min \sum C(\mathbf{x}_i^1) + \rho_i \left(C(\mathbf{x}_i^2(\omega)) \right)????$

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Equilibrium or optimization?

Theorem

If (d, v, u, x) solves (risk averse) SO, then there exists a probability distribution σ_k and prices p so that (d, v, u, x, p) solves (risk neutral) $CE(\sigma)$

(Observe that each agent must maximize their own expected profit using probabilities σ_k that are derived from identifying the worst outcomes as measured by SO. These will correspond to the worst outcomes for each agent only under very special circumstances)

- High initial storage level (15 units)
 - ▶ Worst case scenario is 1: lowest system cost, smallest profit for hydro
 - SO equivalent to CE
- Low initial storage level (10 units)
 - Different worst case scenarios
 - SO different to CE (for large range of demand elasticities)
- Attempt to construct agreement on what would be the worst-case outcome by trading risk

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Contracts in MOPEC (Philpott/F./Wets)

- Can we modify (complete) system to have a social optimum by trading risk?
- How do we design these instruments? How many are needed? What is cost of deficiency?
- Facilitated by allowing contracts bought now, for goods delivered later (e.g. Arrow-Debreu Securities)
- Conceptually allows to transfer goods from one period to another (provides wealth retention or pricing of ancilliary services in energy market)
- Can investigate new instruments to mitigate risk, or move to system optimal solutions from equilibrium (or market) solutions

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Trading risk: pay σ_ω now, deliver 1 later in ω

$$\begin{aligned} \text{CP:} & \min_{\substack{d^1, d_{\omega}^2 \ge 0, t^C}} & \sigma t^C + p^1 d^1 - W(d^1) + \rho_C \left[p_{\omega}^2 d_{\omega}^2 - W(d_{\omega}^2) - t_{\omega}^C \right] \\ \text{TP:} & \min_{\substack{v^1, v_{\omega}^2 \ge 0, t^T}} & \sigma t^T + C(v^1) - p^1 v^1 + \rho_T \left[C(v_{\omega}^2) - p_{\omega}^2 v^2(\omega) - t_{\omega}^T \right] \\ \text{HP:} & \min_{\substack{u^1, x^1 \ge 0 \\ u_{\omega}^2, x_{\omega}^2 \ge 0, t^H}} & \sigma t^H - p^1 U(u^1) + \rho_H \left[-p^2(\omega) U(u_{\omega}^2) - V(x_{\omega}^2) - t_{\omega}^H \right] \\ & \text{s.t.} & x^1 = x^0 - u^1 + h^1, \\ & x_{\omega}^2 = x^1 - u_{\omega}^2 + h_{\omega}^2 \end{aligned}$$

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$$0 \le p^{2}_{\omega} \perp U(u^{2}_{\omega}) + v^{2}_{\omega} \ge d^{2}_{\omega}, \forall \omega$$

$$0 \le \sigma_{\omega} \perp t^{C}_{\omega} + t^{T}_{\omega} + t^{H}_{\omega} \ge 0, \forall \omega$$

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Main Result

Theorem

Agents a have polyhedral node-dependent risk sets $\mathcal{D}_a(n)$, $n \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \mathcal{L}$ with nonempty intersection. Now let $\{u_a^s(n) : n \in \mathcal{N}, a \in \mathcal{A}\}$ be a solution to SO with risk sets $D_s(n) = \bigcap_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \mathcal{D}_a(n)$. Suppose this gives rise to μ (hence σ) and prices $\{p(n) : n \in \mathcal{N}\}$ where $p(n)\sigma(n)$ are Lagrange multipliers. These prices and quantities form a multistage risk-trading equilibrium in which agent a solves OPT(a) with a policy defined by $u_a(\cdot)$ together with a policy of trading Arrow-Debreu securities defined by $\{t_a(n), n \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \{0\}\}$.

- Low storage setting
- If thermal is risk neutral (even with trading) SO equivalent to CE
- If thermal is identically risk averse, there is a CE, but different to original SO
- Trade risk to give optimal solutions for the sum of their positions
- Under a complete market for risk assumption, we may construct a competitive equilibrium with risk trading from a social planning solution

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Theory and Observations

- agent problems are multistage stochastic optimization models
- perfectly competitive partial equilibrium still corresponds to a social optimum when all agents are risk neutral and share common knowledge of the probability distribution governing future inflows
- situation complicated when agents are risk averse
 - utilize stochastic process over scenario tree
 - under mild conditions a social optimum corresponds to a competitive market equilibrium if agents have time-consistent dynamic coherent risk measures and there are enough traded market instruments (over tree) to hedge inflow uncertainty
- Otherwise, must solve the stochastic equilibrium problem
- Research challenge: develop reliable algorithms for large scale decomposition approaches to MOPEC

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Optimal Sanctions (Boehringer/F./Rutherford)

- Sanctions can be modeled using similar formulations used for tariff calculations
- Model as a Nash equilibrium with players being countries (or a coalition of countries)
- Demonstrate the actual effects of different policy changes and the power of different economic instruments
- GTAP global production/trade database: 113 countries, 57 goods, 5 factors
- Coalition members strategically choose trade taxes to
 - optimize their welfare (trade war) or
 - 2 *minimize* Russian welfare
- Russia chooses trade taxes to maximize Russian welfare in response
- Impose (QS) constraints that limit the number of instruments used for each country

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Optimal Sanctions: Results

- Resulting Nash equilibrium with trade war, maximize damage, side payments - all have big impact on Russia
- Restricting instruments can change effects (these are the different colored bars)
- Collective (coalition) action significantly better

Same model can used to determine effects of Russian trade sanctions on Turkey

What is EMP?

Annotates existing equations/variables/models for modeler to provide/define additional structure

- equilibrium
- vi (agents can solve min/max/vi)
- bilevel (reformulate as MPEC, or as SOCP)
- dualvar (use multipliers from one agent as variables for another)
- QS functions (both in objectives and constraints)
- Currently available within GAMS
- Some solution algorithms implemented in modeling system limitations on size, decomposition and advanced algorithms
- QS extensions to Moreau-Yoshida regularization, compositions, composite optimization

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