Numerical Experiments for Verifying Demand Driven Deployment Algorithms

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Introduction

The Demand-Driven Cycamore Archetype project (NEUP-FY16-10512) aims to develop CY-CAMORE demand-driven deployment capabilities. The project plans to use non-optimizing, deterministic-optimizing and stochastic-optimizing prediction algorithms.

These prediction models are being developed by the University of South Carolina. In this report, we discuss numerical experiments for testing the non-optimizing, deterministic optimizing and stochastic optimizing methods.

1 Once through Nuclear Fuel Cycle

This section defines the required tests for each method assuming a once-through fuel cycle.

Figure 1: Flow Chart of Once through Nuclear Fuel Cycle



2 Input File Specification

We assume the archetype to be an INSTITUTION, since it governs deployment and decommission of facilities.

The user would only have to define the reactor prototype and reactor deployment. The remaining fuel facilities, both front end and back end, would be recognized by the archetype by looking at

each prototypes' in-and-out commodities. Then the recognized, or 'connected' fuel cycle facilities deploy with demand. If an input file does not have the necessary 'connections' for the reactor to receive fuel, it will throw an error.

We suggest an example format: First, the input file would define reactor prototype to be deployed. There can be multiple reactors.

Listing 1: One-reactor fleet institution input schema

[Something About Transition Scenario Capabilities]

Then deployment of the reactors is defined, and the user is given the option to manually define the deployment(DeployInst):

```
<deployment>
         <type>manual</type>
            <build_times>
              < val > 1 < / val >
              < val > 10 < / val >
              < val > 20 < / val >
              < val > 40 < / val >
            </build_times>
            <n_build>
10
              <val>3</val>
11
              < val > 3 < / val >
12
              <val>3</val>
              <val>3</val>
14
            </n_build>
15
            lifetimes>
              < val > 960 < / val >
17
              < val > 960 < / val >
18
              < val > 960 < / val >
19
              < val > 960 < / val >
20
            </deployment>
22
23
```

</institution>

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Listing 2: Reactor deployment input schema

or have the institution deploy reactors according to power demand (GrowthRegion):

```
<deployment>
        < type > growth < /type >
        <growth>
          <piecewise_function>
                 <piece>
                   <start>0</start>
                   <function>
                     <type>linear</type>
                     <params>1 2</params>
10
                   </fr></function>
11
                 12
          // piecewise_function>
        </growth>
15
        </deployment>
17
      </iinstitution>
```

Listing 3: Reactor deployment input schema

2.1 Non-optimizing prediction method

The following conditions need to be satisfied for each segment of the fuel cycle.

2.1.1 Reactor

- 1. Do all the Reactors run at full capacity (not lacking fuel)?
- 2. Is a new Reactor deployed when the energy demand exceeds the energy produced by the current Reactors?
- 3. Is a Reactor decommissioned when the energy demand falls behind the output of the current Reactors?

2.1.2 Fuelfab

- 1. Is the fuel produced by the Fuelfab within the upper limit of [insert uncertainty] for the analytic solution of fuel required by the Reactors for all of them to run for each time step?
- 2. Is a new Fuelfab deployed when the fuel required by the reactors exceeds the output of current Fuelfab?
- 3. Is a Fuelfab decommissioned when the fuel required by the reactors falls behind the output of current Fuelfab facilities?

2.1.3 Enrichment

- 1. Is the enriched uranium produced by Enrichment within the upper limit of [insert uncertainty] for the analytic solution of the enriched uranium required by the Fuelfab for each time step?
- 2. Is a new Enrichment facility deployed when the enriched uranium required by the Fuelfab exceeds the enriched uranium produced of current Enrichment facilities?
- 3. Is a Enrichment decommissioned when the enriched uranium required by the Fuelfab falls behind the enriched uranium produced by current Enrichment facilities?

2.1.4 Source

- 1. Is the mined uranium produced by Source within the upper limit of [insert uncertainty] for the analytic solution of the mined uranium required by the Enrichment facilities for each time step?
- 2. Does the Source mined uranium produced increase when mined uranium required by the Enrichment facilities exceeds mined uranium produced by the current Source?
- 3. Does the Source mined uranium produced decrease when mined uranium required by the Enrichment facilities falls behind the mined uranium required by the current Source?

2.2 Deterministic-Optimizing/Stochastic prediction method

The following conditions need to be satisfied for each segment of the fuel cycle.

1. Do all the Reactors run at full capacity (not lacking fuel)?

Listing 4: Test to see all reactors run without lack of fuel

- 2. Is the objective function optimized?
- 3. Is the constraint followed?
- 4. Do the related fuel cycle facilities get deployed upon demand?

Listing 5: Test demand-driven deployment of fuel cycle facility

5. Do the related fuel cycle facilities exit upon demand decrease?

```
[Defines Reactor Deploy Scheme / Power Demand]
[Decreasing Fuel Demand with Time]

[Run test]
[Test if fuel facility is deployed in the beginning]
[Test if fuel facility exits later in the simulation (have analytic solution)]
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Listing 6: Test demand-driven exit of fuel cycle facility

3 Advanced Fuel Cycles