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Decision Support in Power Plant Operation and Expansion Planning: Navigating Germany's Energy Future in Times of Growing Uncertainties

Classroom Session #2 - Studienprojekt / Case Studies in Energy Economics

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Overview on semester plan all economics programmes + CMS Energy Track

16. Apr 24	All	Kick-start	
23. Apr 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	P2P #1 Energy track students
30. Apr 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	
07. Mai 24	Energy track students	Classroom discussion	
14. Mai 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	P2P #2 Energy track students
21. Mai 24	Pentecost holidays		
28. Mai 24	Energy track students	Classroom discussion	
04. Jun 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	P2P #3 Energy track students
11. Jun 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	
18. Jun 24	All	Classroom presentation (CMS literature studies)	
25. Jun 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	
02. Jul 24	Upon OPAL scheduler request	Consultation	
09. Jul 24	Energy track students	Classroom discussion	
16. Jul 24	All	Final presentation (EE2/CMS energy track)	

Subject intended learning outcomes for today

After today's session, students will be able to ...

- Comprehend the algebraic structure and model representation of two-stage stochastic programs ;
- discuss the value of perfect information and utility of stochastic programming methods based on quantitative metrics ;

Stochastic programs can be formulated in two different ways

- **Node-variable formulation:**

- Variables are associated with decision stages
- Is more compact and beneficial for a direct (non-decomposed) solving approach

- **Scenario-variable formulation:**

- Variables are associated with scenarios
- Requires a larger number of variables and equations, but has advantages regarding exploiting decomposition methods

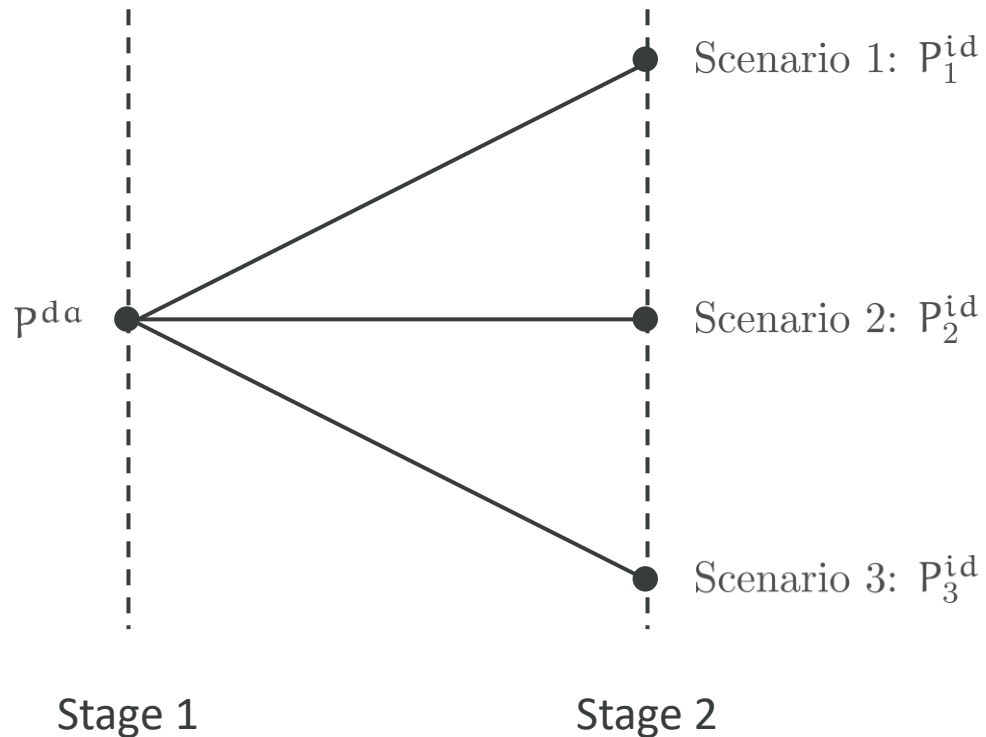
Example: The electricity retailer problem

Scenario [#]	Probability [%]	Demand [MW]	Intraday price [€/MWh]
1	0.2	110	50
2	0.6	100	46
3	0.2	80	44

- The retailer must satisfy his customer's demand based on day-ahead and intraday electricity purchases
- The demand and intraday prices are subject to uncertainty and represented in three scenarios
- Day-ahead purchases come at cost of 45 €/MWh and are limited to a volume of 90 MW

Node-variable formulation - variables are assigned to nodes

Scenario tree:



Equation system:

Minimise $p^{da}, p_1^{id}, p_2^{id}, p_3^{id}$:

$$Z^{SP} = 45 \cdot p^{da} + 0.2 \times 50 \cdot p_1^{id} + 0.6 \times 46 \cdot p_2^{id} + 0.2 \times 44 \cdot p_3^{id}$$

subject to :

$$p^{da} + p_1^{id} = 110$$

$$p^{da} + p_2^{id} = 100$$

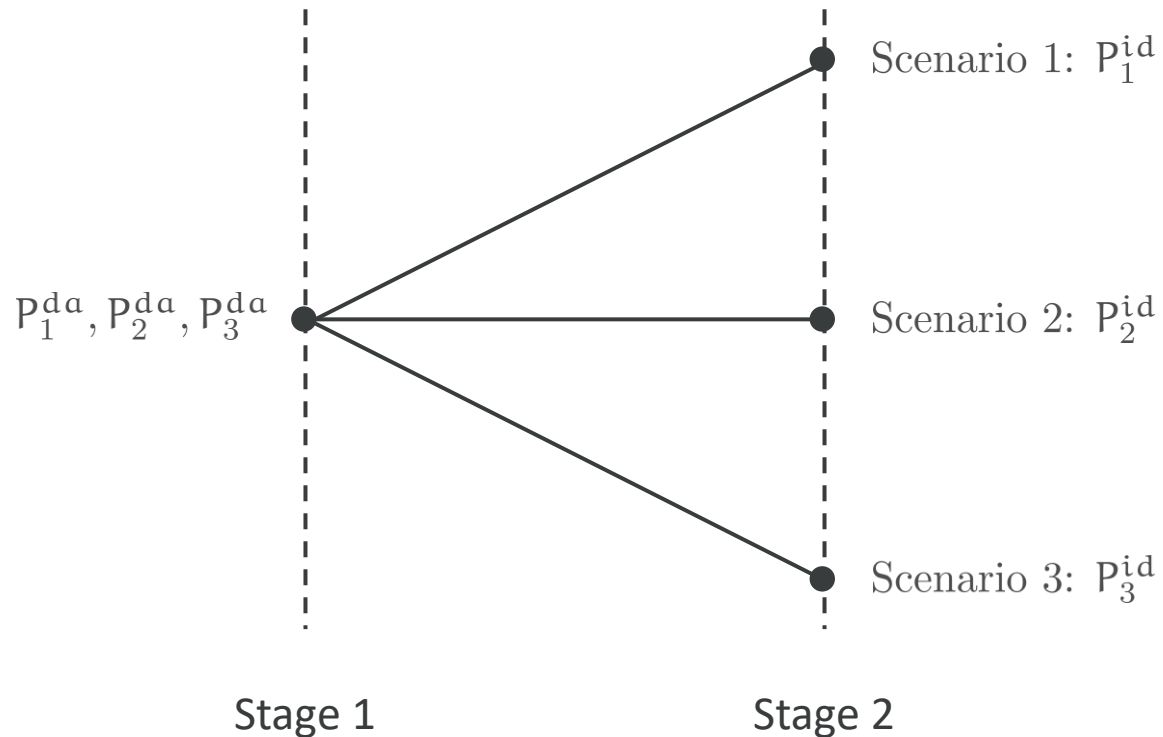
$$p^{da} + p_3^{id} = 80$$

$$0 \leq p^{da} \leq 90$$

$$0 \leq p_1^{id}, p_2^{id}, p_3^{id}$$

Scenario-variable formulation - variables are assigned to scenarios

Scenario tree:



Equation system:

Minimise $p_1^{da}, p_2^{da}, p_3^{da}, p_1^{id}, p_2^{id}, p_3^{id}$:

$$Z^{SP} = 0.2 \times (45 \cdot p_1^{da} + 50 \cdot p_1^{id}) \\ + 0.6 \times (45 \cdot p_2^{da} + 46 \cdot p_2^{id}) \\ + 0.2 \times (45 \cdot p_3^{da} + 44 \cdot p_3^{id})$$

subject to :

$$p_1^{da} + p_1^{id} = 110$$

$$p_2^{da} + p_2^{id} = 100$$

$$p_3^{da} + p_3^{id} = 80$$

$$0 \leq p_1^{da}, p_2^{da}, p_3^{da} \leq 90$$

$$0 \leq p_1^{id}, p_2^{id}, p_3^{id}$$

$$p_1^{da} = p_2^{da} = p_3^{da}$$

Non-anticipatory constraint

Recalling the key-questions of P2P #2, what first-stage and what second-stage decisions would your program entail, after being formulated into a stochastic program ?

What is the purpose of survey-based teaching evaluation procedures ?

1. Student's perspective:

- Provides a quantitative summary of the quality of the teaching and learning experience
- Aims to increase the value of the subject for qualifying current and future student generations

2. Teacher's perspective:

- Evaluation results are commonly considered when assessing the candidate's performance in academic qualification programs, such as habilitation degree
- Typically the past three evaluations must be included in the application for permanent academic positions, such as Associate Professor and Full Professor

10-15 min evaluation break: Please ...

- fill out the evaluation form during the next 10-15 minutes
- the system requires you to fill out the form twice, because completed submissions will not further be processed unless a number of 10 submissions is reached
- I kindly ask for your thorough evaluation as it is of high importance for early career researchers

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Two quality metrics are widely used to evaluate stochastic programming applications

- Important means to justify the application of rather complex stochastic programming methods
- Provide indication of the value of precise forecasting methods
- Two metrics can be distinguished:
 1. Expected value of perfect information (EVPI)
 2. Value of stochastic solution (VSS)

Expected value of perfect information (EVPI)

$$EVPI^{\max} = Z^{PI^*} - Z^{SP^*}$$

with Z^{PI^*} corresponding to the target function value when the non-anticipatory constraints are relaxed (scenario-variable formulation) and thus represents perfect information, and with Z^{SP^*} corresponding to the target function value of the stochastic solution.

- Is a proxy for the value of accurate forecasts
- Presents the willingness to pay for obtaining perfect information about the future
- Note: The signs at the right hand side of the equation depend on the type of optimisation problem, i.e. max or min

Value of stochastic solution (VSS)

$$VSS^{\max} = Z^{SP*} - Z^{DP*}$$

with Z^{DP*} being the target function value when the stochastic program is solved with fixed first-stage variables derived from solving the associated deterministic program based on expected values of uncertain parameters.

- Is a measure to quantify the comparative advantage of a stochastic against a deterministic program
- Provides indication whether it is recommended or not to apply stochastic programming for the optimisation task at hand
- Note: The signs at the right hand side of the equation depend on the type of optimisation problem, i.e. max or min

Thank you for your attention

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