
Open and Compact Model for the German Energy Transition (OCGModel)

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The file is structured as follows:

- At the sheet *Summary* we present a pivot table where the parameters of the selected conversion process can be easily visualized.

Conversion Process		Gas PP														
Year																
-																
Parameters		Unit	Input Energy Form	Output Energy Form	Value	ref	note	2016	2030	2040	2050					
Instance-Specific																
max active capacity		[GW]	Gas	Electricity				12.5 [1][9]	1.7							
residual capacity		[GW]	Gas	Electricity				12.5 [1][9]	1	6.25	0					
technical availability		[GW]	Gas	Electricity	0.95	[12]										
Technology specific																
efficiency		-	Gas	Electricity	0.4	[12]										
fixed operation cost		[EUR/kWa]	Gas	Electricity	13	[3]										
investment cost		[EUR/kW]	Gas	Electricity				400 [3]	400 [3]		400 [3]					
technical lifetime		a	Gas	Electricity	25	[3]										

- At the sheet *Data* you can find the data in a computer-readable format.
- At the sheet *Timeseries* we name all timeseries used in the model, including type, short description, reference and name of the respective file. The time series files can be found under the folder **database/timeseries**
- At the sheet *References* we name all the references and provide the respective links to them.

Important: You can find more information about the model structure on the [Original Paper](#).

OSEMOSYS IMPLEMENTATION

The OCG Model is implemented using the Open Source Energy Modelling System (OSeMOSYS) through the `int4osemosys` interface. See *Osemosys Interface Documentation*.

Note: Learn more about OSeMOSYS at <http://www.osemosys.org>

2.1 Installation

1. Download the OCG Model Repository

The OCG Model can be downloaded from our [GitHub repository](#)

2. Install GNU Linear Programming Kit.

At Windows:

- First download GLPK latest version at <https://sourceforge.net/projects/winglpk/>
- Unzip the download file *winglpk-4.XX* and locate the folder *glpk-4.XX* inside.
- Copy the whole folder *glpk-4.XX* to your “C:” directory.
- Navigate to *Control Panel > System > About* and check the system type (x32 or x64).
- Type `Win+r`, type *systempropertiesadvanced* and press ok.
- At the new window, select “Environmental variables” below right
- Under the System variables, select “Path” and then click “Edit”
- Select “New” and add the path to GLPK. Be aware to use the version corresponding to your system type, i.e. “C:glpk-4.**XX**w32” for 32-Bit system or “C:glpk-4.**XX**w64” for 64-Bit system.

Test your installation by running the following line at the terminal:

```
$ glpsol --version
```

At Linux the following call should install GLPK:

```
$ sudo apt-get install GLPK
```

3. Install Python (with pip)

If you do not have Python installed in your computer, you can download it [here](#). Make sure to check “**Add Python to PATH**” at the installation assistant. If you opt for the customizable installation make sure to include pip.

4. Install required python packages

At Windows:

Run as *administrator* the ***setup.bat*** file in the int4osemosys directory.

At Linux:

Be sure open the terminal in the int4osemosys directory and the following call should install the packages:

```
$ pip install -r core/requirements.txt
```

5. (optional) Install CPLEX API

If you have access to CPLEX, the interface also offers support to the CPLEX solver. For that you need to [install the CPLEX Python API](#) and change the interface settings to CPLEX. See how to change the settings [here](#).

2.2 Run the model

To start the interface:

- On Windows, you can simply run the **start_int4osemosys.bat** file.
- Or **Run the startOsemosysInt.py** script in this folder. This can be done using the preferred IDE or by the following command:

```
$ python startOsemosysInt.py
```

The Following menu will appear:

```
...reading Settings from settings.ini
####Interface for Osemosys####
Select option:
r - Run model
p - Plot results
s - Settings
q - Quit
>> r
```

Type “**r**” to run the model. You will then be asked for the model name as scenario.

```
Model name: OCGModel
Scenario: base
```

If the model and scenario name were given correctly, the solver log will be displayed.

2.3 Plot Results

You can use the same interface to plot the model results. For that:

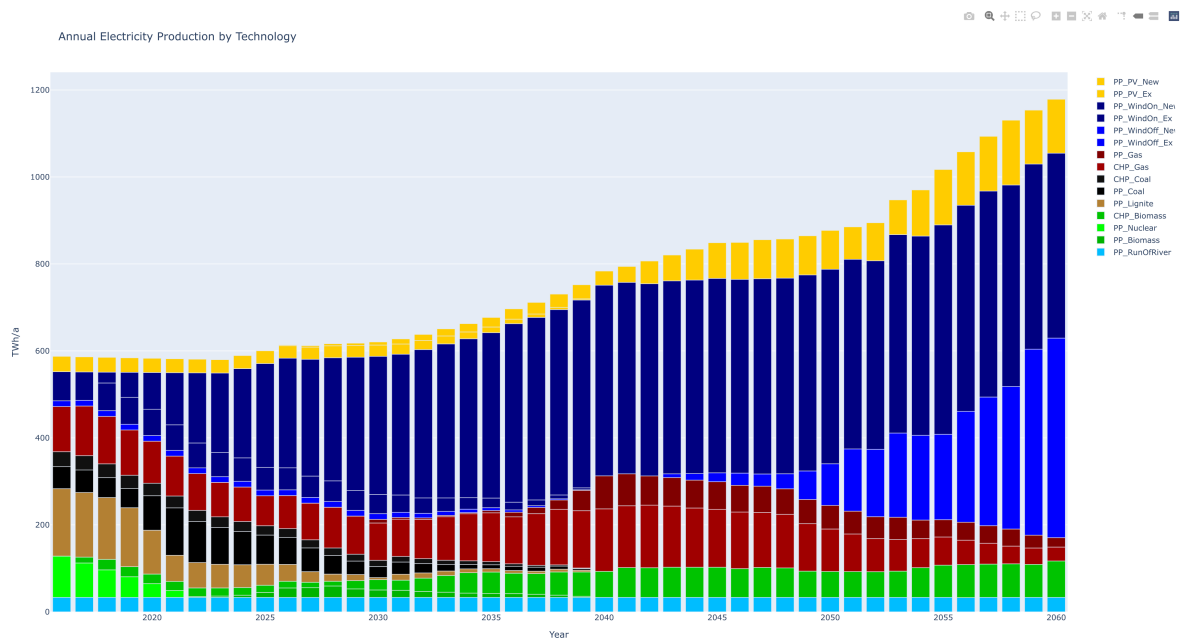
1. Select the option “**p**” - Plot results at the main menu.
2. A list with all simulations in the runs folder will be displayed and can be selected.
3. Give the additional information for the type of plot selected. e.g. Fuel, year,... **The parameterets must be given exactly how declared in the Techmap file!! CASE SENSITIVE!**

Example:

```
Select Plot:
0 - plot_annual_active_capacities
1 - plot_annual_emissions
2 - plot_annual_supply
3 - plot_annual_use
4 - plot_sankey
5 - plot_supply_timeseries
6 - plot_use_timeseries
>> 2
Please give the inputs for plot_annual_supply. [help: (fuel)]
fuel: Electricity
```

Note: See the [plotting engine documentation](#) for a short description of each plot.

- The plot will be displayed at your internet browser. For the example above, the following image is expected:



Important: You can also find the CSV files with the simulation results at “**. run OCGModel_base**”

2.4 Edit Model

The model instance parameters are located at the Technology Map **OCGModel.xlsx** at the folder **data**. To edit the model, simply open the file with the model name and edit it there. You can change existing parameters, create new scenarios, add fuels and technologies to the model. After editing save the file and run the model again.

To create a new model, you can duplicate the OCGModel technoly map file. Then, rename the file with the desired model name and edit it. To run the new model, use the same name given to the technology map.

Important: *time-slice dependent parameterets*: These parameters are given in the Technology map file by the name of the profile. Be sure to have at the **datatimeseries** folder, a .txt file with the profile name. The file should contain 8760 entries. See the examples provided in the folder.

Important: *Time Setting*: The time setting will affect how the time profiles files are interpreted. You can use two different types of time settings: **mean** and **selection**.

For a **selection** time setting, a .csv file is required at the timeseries folder only with the selected timesteps, the profiles are obtained from the .txt files.

For a **mean** time setting, a .csv file with the time setting name is also required. This file should contain not only the time-slices names, but also one column for each profile used in the model.

By using the *script* made available for selecting the timeslices, the output is already in the required format.

2.5 Change Settings

You can change some settings by typing “s” on the main interface menu. These are:

- **Osemosys code version:** Version of the OSeMOSYS to be used to generate the model instance.

Defaults to our adapted version (osemosys_short_OCG.txt) at the OSeMOSYS directory. All adaptations to the original version are documented in the file.

You can [download the other versions of OSeMOSYS](#), add to the the OSeMOSYS directory and change this setting to build the model instance with them.

- **solver:** Solver to be used. The interface offers support for the open-sorce GLPK and also CPLEX.

If you have access to CPLEX and wish to use it, don't forget to install the cplex python API before changing this configuration.

- **compute missing variables:** This parameter tell then if the not computed variables should be calculated.

The OSeMOSYS short code version does not compute intermediate variables, e.g ProductionByTechnology, UseBytechnology.

If True (1-default), the necessary variables will be computed on demand by the plotting engine. (takes longer time to initialize the plotting engine).

If False (0), trying to plot plots that required a non-computed variable will raise an error.

- **sankey opacity:** Link opacity on the Sankey plot.

(NOT RECOMMENDED) You can also change the settings directly on the **settings.ini** file located at the **core** directory.

INT4OSEMOSYS DOCUMENTATION

This is the code documentation. For information about how to use the interface see [Osemosys Implementation](#).

3.1 Core Modules

3.1.1 Running Engine

Module to run the simulation.

- (1) Calls Input Processing to build the input file model from the map.
- (2) Creates simulation folder in the runs directory
- (3) Calls solvers according to configuration file
- (4) Save output in csv format. If Solver is CPLEX then the CPLEXSolutionProcessor is called to save selected variables to .csv

Example

```
>>> from core.ModelRunner import ModelRunner
>>> from core.utils import settings
```

Build engine and run:

```
>>> run_engine = ModelRunner(model="Germany", scenario="base", sett=settings)
>>> run_engine.run()
```

or

```
>>> ModelRunner.build_and_run(model="Germany", scenario="base", sett=settings)
```

class core.ModelRunner.**ModelRunner**(model, scenario, sett: core.Settings.Settings)

Bases: object

Model Runner

Parameters

- **model** (str) – Model name
- **scenario** (str) – Scenario name
- **sett** (Settings) – Settings object with the simulation settings

classmethod `build_and_run(model, scenario, sett: core.Settings.Settings)`

Initialize the runner engine and call the run method.

Parameters

- **model** (*str*) – Model name
- **scenario** (*str*) – Scenario name
- **sett** (*Settings*) – Settings object with the simulation settings.

Returns Model runner engine

Return type *ModelRunner*

run()

Runs the model.

Performs all steps necessary to run the model. (1) Calls Input Processing to build the input file model from the map. (2) Creates simulation folder in the runs directory (3) Calls solvers according to configuration file (4) Save output in csv format. If Solver is CPLEX then the CPLEXSolutionProcessor is called to save selected variables to .csv

Raises *ModelRunnerException* – Invalid input file format or generation of CPLEX input file failed.

exception `core.ModelRunner.ModelRunnerException`

Bases: *Exception*

Class for throwing Exceptions during the simulation running

3.1.2 Plotting Engine

Module for plotting model results.

Generates HTML figures produced using plotly library.

class `core.ResPlotting.OsemosysPlottingEngine(sim_dir, compute_missing_variables=False)`

Bases: *object*

Plotting Engine.

Parameters

- **sim_dir** (*str*) – Simulation directory generated by the Model Runner engine
- **compute_missing_variables** (*bool, optional*) – Compute missing intermediate variables. Default False. If True and OsemosysModel object will be created from the input file in the simulation folder. This will make the object initialization slower.

Raises *ResPlottingException* – Error during the execution of a plot method.

plot_annual_active_capacities()

Plot annual active capacities

Bar plot active capacities by year. Stacked by technology.

plot_annual_emissions()

Plot annual emissions.

Bar plot of the emissions by year, stacked by emission type.

plot_annual_supply(fuel)

Plot annual energy supply of a fuel.

Bar plot of the annual energy supply of a given fuel by year. Stacked by technology.

Parameters **fuel** (*str*) – Name of fuel as defined in the model. CASE SENSITIVE.

plot_annual_use(fuel)

Plot annual energy consumption of a fuel.

Bar plot of the annual energy consumption of a given fuel by year. Stacked by technology. Usable energy demand not included!!

Parameters **fuel** (*str*) – Name of fuel as defined in the model. CASE SENSITIVE.

plot_sankey(year)

Plot sankey diagram of a year.

Parameters **year** (*str*) – Year to be plotted

plot_supply_timeseries(fuel, year)

Plot the timeslice depended supply of a fuel in a year.

Area plot of the supply of a fuel by the timeslices, stacked by technology. The values are corrected with the timeslices weights to represent the actual power output of the process.

Parameters

- **fuel** (*str*) – Name of fuel as defined in the model. CASE SENSITIVE.
- **year** (*str*) – Year to be plotted

plot_use_timeseries(fuel, year)

Plot the timeslice depended consumption of a fuel in a year.

Area plot of the consumption of a fuel by the timeslices, stacked by technology. The demand is also included in the plot. The values are corrected with the timeslices weights to represent the actual power output of the process.

Parameters

- **fuel** (*str*) – Name of fuel as defined in the model. CASE SENSITIVE.
- **year** (*str*) – Year to be plotted

exception core.ResPlotting.ResPlottingException

Bases: Exception

Class for throwing Exceptions by the plotting engine

3.1.3 Input Processing Engine

Tools to construct an Osemosys Model from the excel model map or from an previous input file

exception core.InputProcessing.MapProcessingException

Bases: Exception

Class for throwing Exceptions during the map processing

class core.InputProcessing.OsemosysInputGenerator(*name: str, scenario: str, data_dir: str, sim_dir: str*)

Bases: object

OSeMOSYS Input Generator

Initialize Osemosys Model by creating empty sets and parameters.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Model name
- **scenario** (*str*) – Scenario name
- **data_dir** (*str*) – Path to Map file
- **sim_dir** (*str*) – Path to simulation dir

sets

Model defined parameters indexed by parameter name.

Type dict[*str*, *OsemosysSet*]

params

Model defined sets indexed by set name.

Type dict[*str*, *OsemosysParam*]

classmethod build_from_input_file(*sim_dir*, *filename*='input.txt')

Construct model from an input file. Useful for model post processing.

Parameters

- **sim_dir** – Path to simulation dir. Model name and scenario read from simulation dir name.
- **filename** (*str*, *optional*) – Input filename. Default “input.txt”

Returns Model with all parameters and set defined.

Return type *OsemosysInputGenerator*

classmethod build_load_map_and_write(*name*: *str*, *scenario*: *str*, *data_dir*: *str*, *sim_dir*: *str*)

Construct Model, load map and write input file.

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Model name
- **scenario** (*str*) – Scenario name
- **data_dir** (*str*) – Path to Map file
- **sim_dir** (*str*) – Path to simulation dir

Returns Model with all parameters and set defined.

Return type *OsemosysInputGenerator*

property emissions_params: Dict[*str*, *core.InputProcessing.OsemosysParam*]

All parameters of “Emissions” group

property param_names: List[*str*]

Name of all Parameters

read_model_map()

Populate the model with the excel model map parameters values.

Raises *MapProcessingException* – The excel file with the model parameters could not be found. The file must have the same name as the model and be located at the data dir.

property set_names: List[*str*]

Name of all Sets

property temporal_params: Dict[str, core.InputProcessing.OsemosysParam]

All parameters of that are “Temporal”

write_model(filename='input.txt')

Write model to osemosys input file at the simulation directory.

Parameters filename (str, optional) – Filename. Default “input.txt”

class core.InputProcessing.OsemosysParam(name: str, set_list: List[core.InputProcessing.OsemosysSet],
scaling_factor: float = 1, default: Optional[float] = None,
group: Optional[str] = None, type=None, normalize=None)

Bases: object

Class for constructing Osemosys Parameters

Parameters

- **name** (str) – Param name
- **set_list** (List[OsemosysSet]) – List with the sets that index this parameter.
- **scaling_factor** (float, optional) – Scaling factor. Default 1.
- **default** (float, optional) – Default value of parameter. Default None.
- **group** (str, optional) – Identifier of which groups this parameter belongs. Default None.
- **type** (str, optional) – Parameter type. Default None. Possible types: “Temporal”
- **normalize** (bool, optional) – Indicator weather the values should be normalized to sum 1. Default None. Necessary for adjusting the parameter values to the model constraints, e.g. demand time profiles.

set_names

List with the same of the sets that index this parameter.

Type List[str]

add_value(key: List[str], val: float)

Add value to parameter list

Parameters

- **key** (Iterable[str]) – Parameter index.
- **val** (float) – Parameter Value

write(f)

Write parameter to OSEMOSSYS input file.

Parameters f (file) – File stream.

class core.InputProcessing.OsemosysSet(name: str, dim: int, elements: Optional[Iterable] = None,
numeric=False)

Bases: object

Class for constructing Osemosys sets

Parameters

- **name** (str) – Set Name
- **dim** (int) – Set dimension
- **elements** (Iterable, optional) – Elements to be added to set. Default None.
- **numeric** (bool, optional) – Indicates weather the set is numeric. Default False.

append(*elem*)

Add new element to the set.

Parameters *elem* – Element or list of elements to be added to set.

write(*f*)

Write set to OSEMOSSYS input file.

Parameters *f* (*file*) – File stream.

3.1.4 Output Processing Engine

Module for post processing

exception `core.OutputProcessing.CPLEXSolutionProcessingException`

Bases: `core.OutputProcessing.OutputProcessingException`

Class for throwing Exceptions during post processing with CPLEX python API

class `core.OutputProcessing.CPLEXSolutionProcessor(c: False, model_generator=None)`

Bases: `object`

Post Processing Engine for models solved with CPLEX.

Parameters *c* (*cplex.Cplex*) – Cplex object with the solved model

Raises `CPLEXSolutionProcessingException` – Error while post processing with CPLEX API

main_vars

Dictionary with variable name as key and respective indexing sets as list, e.g. [“FUEL”, “YEAR”]. “Main” Variables are the ones present at all OSEMOSSYS code versions and that cannot be computed from other variables.

Type `dict[str,list[str]]`

save_main_vars_to_csv(*save_folder*)

Save variables to csv.

Each variable is saved to a different csv file named after the variable name.

Parameters *save_folder* (*str*) – Folder where the csv files will be saved

Returns:

exception `core.OutputProcessing.OutputProcessingException`

Bases: `Exception`

Class for throwing Exceptions during post processing

class `core.OutputProcessing.SolutionInterface(sol_dir)`

Bases: `object`

Class for post processing of the model solution

Parameters *sol_dir* (*str*) – Directory where the solution is found.

Raises `OutputProcessingException` – Error during results post processing

compute_all_variables(*input_generator*)

Compute intermediate variables from main variables.

Compute intermediate variables from main by using the model parameters set in the the *input_generator* object. As not all Osemosys code version contains the intermediate variables, this methods computes them and also add the respective csv file to the solution directory. The computed variables are:

```

>>> vars_to_compute = ["AnnualEmissions", "TotalTechnologyAnnualActivity",
↳ "UseByTechnology",
>>>                        "UseByTechnologyAnnual", "ProductionByTechnologyAnnual",
↳ "ProductionByTechnology",
>>>                        "Demand", "RateOfUseByTechnology",
↳ "RateOfProductionByTechnology", "RateOfDemand",
>>>                        "TotalCapacityAnnual" ]

```

Parameters `input_generator` (`OsemosysInputGenerator`) – OSEMOSSYS Model with all parameters values

compute_variable(*varname*, *input_generator*: `core.InputProcessing.OsemosysInputGenerator`)

Compute intermediate variable from main variables

As not all Osemosys code version contains the intermediate variables, this methods computes the variable with name “varname” and also add the respective csv file to the solution directory.

Parameters

- **varname** (*str*) – Variable name to be computed
- **input_generator** (`OsemosysInputGenerator`) – OSEMOSSYS Model with all parameters values

get_var_values(*var*, *select*=None, *return_zeros*=False, *compute_missing_vars*=False, *input_generator*: `Optional[core.InputProcessing.OsemosysInputGenerator]` = None) → `pandas.core.frame.DataFrame`

Get the value of a variable.

Parameters

- **var** (*str*) – Variable name
- **select** (*dict[str, str]*, *optional*) – Select index of variables to be returned. Dictionary where the keys are the set names and the entries the index to be selected. Defaults to None.
- **return_zeros** (*bool*, *optional*) – Indicator whether variables with zero as values should be selected. Defaults to False.
- **compute_missing_vars** (*bool*, *optional*) – If true and the variable “.csv” is not found the method `compute_variable` is called. Requires `input_generator` to be defined. Defaults to False
- **input_generator** (`OsemosysInputGenerator`, *optional*) – OSEMOSSYS Model with all parameters values. Defaults to None. If `compute_missing_vars` is True, this must be given otherwise an error is raised.

Returns Dataframe with the indexes and variable values.

Return type `pandas.DataFrame`

3.1.5 Settings Module

Concatenates definitions that are shared by the different modules and external configurations

`core.Settings.cplex`

If the cplex API is found by the python, than cplex is imported else this attribute is set as False.

Type cplex or False

`core.Settings.sankey_opacity`

Opacity of links in the sankey diagram plot.

Type float

`core.Settings.Y`

“YEAR”

`core.Settings.T`

“TECHNOLOGY”

`core.Settings.L`

“TIMESLICE”

`core.Settings.F`

“FUEL”

`core.Settings.E`

“EMISSION”

`core.Settings.M`

“MODE_OF_OPERATION”

`core.Settings.R`

“REGION”

`core.Settings.LS`

“SEASON”

`core.Settings.LD`

“DAYTYPE”

`core.Settings.LH`

“DAILYTIMEBRACKET”

`core.Settings.S`

“STORAGE”

class `core.Settings.Settings(settings_file)`

Bases: object

Settings object

Read model settings.ini file and summarize important information to other modules.

Parameters `settings_file` (*str*) – .ini file path

update()

Update settings file

exception `core.Settings.SettingsException`

Bases: Exception

3.2 Scripts

3.2.1 Time slices selection

```
scripts.timeslicesSelection.time_slices_selection(tssname, timeseries_dir, ts_names, n_clusters=12,
                                                n_far_points=1, n_global_far_points=1)
```

Select time slices based on k-means and prepare time configuration file.

Apply k-means algorithm for clustering the 8760 hours of a year into **n_clusters** different groups. Each hour is distinguished the vales of the different timeseries (in **ts_names**) files which can be found at the **timeseries_dir**. To the cluster centers selection is added:

- (1) **n_far_points** with the highest overall distance to their own center are added to the time slice selection.
- (2) **n_global_far_points** with the highest overall all centers are also selected as a time slices.

Making a total of **n_clusters + n_clusters*n_far_points + n_global_far_points** time slices selected.

The time slice weight parameter is set according to the number hours represented by the time steps (i.e. 1 for the “far points” and the number of elements in the cluster for the centers). The obtained time slices and time distributions are wirtten to an **tssname.csv** file at the **timeseries_dir**.

Example

```
>>> from scripts import timeslicesSelection as tss
>>> import os # relative path
```

Set path and give timeseries names to be used

```
>>> # Set use the timeseries dir inside the data dir
>>> timeseries_dir = os.sep.join(["..", "data", "timeseries"])
>>> # Select timeseries to be considered for clustering (must be on the
↳aforementioned folder)
>>> ts_names = ["corrected_electricity_demand_2016.txt",
>>>              "heat_household_demand_2016.txt",
>>>              "Solar_availability_1004FLH.txt",
>>>              "Solar_availability_2016.txt",
>>>              "WindOffshore_availability_2016.txt",
>>>              "WindOffshore_availability_4300FLH.txt",
>>>              "WindOnshore_availability_2016.txt",
>>>              "WindOnshore_availability_2700FLH.txt",
>>>              "Uniform.txt"]
```

Run k-means

```
>>> tss.time_slices_selection("tssname", timeseries_dir, ts_names)
```

Parameters

- **tssname** (*str*) – Name for the timeslice selection
- **timeseries_dir** (*str*) – Directory where the time series files are. Files must be “.txt” with 8760 entries separated by space. See examples in dir.
- **ts_names** (*list[str]*) – List with the name of the timeseries to be considered for the k-means clustering.

- **n_clusters** (*int*) – n of clusters for the k-means algorithm.
- **n_far_points** (*int*) – n furthest points from its own cluster center to be considered as individual timeslices.
- **n_global_far_points** (*int*) – n furthest points from all clusters to be considered as individual timeslices.

Raises **ValueError** – File from timeseries name given in **ts_names** not found in **timeseries_dir**

3.2.2 Rescale Availability from VREs

`scripts.RescaleRE.rescale_re_flh(ts_filename, flh, save=False)`

Rescale VREs availability to meet a given full load hours.

Rescale the availability values to meet the given full load hours **flh**, by modifying intermediate values while keeping minimum and maximum values fixed.

Parameters

- **ts_filename** (*str*) – Path to timeseries text file. The availability timeseries must have 8760 entries, i.e. one for each year of the year.
- **flh** (*float*) – The full load hours the availability time series must be rescaled to.
- **save** (*bool, optional*) – Indicator if the new availability timeseries should be save. Defaults to False. If True, the new time series is saved at the save path of the **ts_filename** with “_**flh** FLH” added to the name.

Returns List with len 8760 with the rescaled availability factors.

Return type list

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