

# Multi-Period Optimal Power Flow: LinDistFlow & Copper Plate tADMM Formulations

## 1 NEW: Local Neighbor Coupling tADMM (Reduced Communication)

### 1.1 Overview

This formulation modifies the standard tADMM algorithm to use **local temporal coupling** instead of global coupling. Each subproblem  $t_0$  only shares SOC variables with its immediate time neighbors  $(t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1)$ , reducing coupling from  $\mathcal{O}(T \times |\mathcal{B}|)$  to  $\mathcal{O}(3 \times |\mathcal{B}|)$  per subproblem.

### 1.2 Key Modifications

- **Original (Global Coupling):** Each subproblem  $t_0$  couples with *all*  $T$  time steps
- **New (Local Coupling):** Each subproblem  $t_0$  couples only with neighbors  $\{t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1\}$
- **Memory Reduction:**  $T^2 \times |\mathcal{B}| \rightarrow 3T \times |\mathcal{B}|$  total storage
- **Communication Reduction:** Each subproblem exchanges  $3 \times |\mathcal{B}|$  variables (not  $T \times |\mathcal{B}|$ )

### 1.3 Local Time Sets

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ , define the local time set:

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0} = \begin{cases} \{1, 2\} & \text{if } t_0 = 1 \text{ (boundary)} \\ \{t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1\} & \text{if } 2 \leq t_0 \leq T - 1 \text{ (interior)} \\ \{T - 1, T\} & \text{if } t_0 = T \text{ (boundary)} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

### 1.4 Step 1: Primal Update (Local Coupling)

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\substack{P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, Q_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, \\ P_{ij}^{t_0}, Q_{ij}^{t_0}, v_j^{t_0}, q_{D,j}^{t_0}, \\ P_{B,j}^t, \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \\ \forall j \in \mathcal{B}, t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}}} \quad & c^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{BASE}} \cdot \Delta t + C_B \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \left( P_{B,j}^{t_0} \right)^2 \cdot P_{\text{BASE}}^2 \cdot \Delta t \\ & + \frac{\rho}{2} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}} \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

**Subject to:**

**Spatial Network Constraints (only for time  $t_0$ ):**

$$\text{(Same as global formulation - constraints (2)-(8))} \quad (3)$$

**Temporal Battery Constraints:**

**Case 1: First time period ( $t_0 = 1$ ):**

*Local times:*  $\{1, 2\}$ , *Decision variables:*  $\mathbf{B}_j^1[1], \mathbf{B}_j^1[2]$ , *Dual variables:*  $\mathbf{u}_j^1[1]$  only

$$\text{SOC trajectory } t = 0 \rightarrow t = 1: \quad \mathbf{B}_j^1[1] = B_{0,j} - P_{B,j}^1 \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{SOC trajectory } t = 1 \rightarrow t = 2: \quad \mathbf{B}_j^1[2] = \mathbf{B}_j^1[1] - P_{B,j}^2 \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (5)$$

*Note:*  $B_{0,j}$  is a parameter (initial condition), not a decision variable. Only  $\mathbf{B}_j^1[1]$  participates in consensus (with dual  $\mathbf{u}_j^1[1]$ ). Variable  $\mathbf{B}_j^1[2]$  exists for penalty computation but does not participate in consensus at  $t = 1$ .

**Case 2: Interior time periods ( $2 \leq t_0 \leq T - 1$ ):**

*Local times:*  $\{t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1\}$ , *Decision variables:*  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 - 1], \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0], \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 + 1]$

*Dual variables:*  $\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[t_0]$  only

$$\text{SOC trajectory } t_0 - 1 \rightarrow t_0: \quad \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0] = \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 - 1] - P_{B,j}^{t_0} \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (6)$$

$$\text{SOC trajectory } t_0 \rightarrow t_0 + 1: \quad \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 + 1] = \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0] - P_{B,j}^{t_0+1} \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (7)$$

*Note:* Only  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0]$  participates in consensus update at time  $t_0$  (with dual  $\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[t_0]$ ). Variables  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 - 1]$  and  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t_0 + 1]$  are used for penalty terms but do not generate new dual variables in this subproblem.

**Case 3: Last time period ( $t_0 = T$ ):**

*Local times:*  $\{T - 1, T\}$ , *Decision variables:*  $\mathbf{B}_j^T[T - 1], \mathbf{B}_j^T[T]$ , *Dual variables:*  $\mathbf{u}_j^T[T]$  only

$$\text{SOC trajectory } T - 1 \rightarrow T: \quad \mathbf{B}_j^T[T] = \mathbf{B}_j^T[T - 1] - P_{B,j}^T \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (8)$$

*Note:* Only  $\mathbf{B}_j^T[T]$  participates in consensus at  $t = T$  (with dual  $\mathbf{u}_j^T[T]$ ). Variable  $\mathbf{B}_j^T[T - 1]$  is for penalty only.

**SOC and Power Limits:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SOC limits: } \quad & \text{SOC}_{\min,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j} \leq \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t] \leq \text{SOC}_{\max,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j}, \\ & \forall t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}, j \in \mathcal{B} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Power limits: } \quad -P_{B,\text{rated},j} \leq P_{B,j}^t \leq P_{B,\text{rated},j}, \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}, j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (10)$$

*Note:* Power limits must be enforced for *all* times appearing in constraints, not just  $t_0$ . For interior times:  $P_{B,j}^{t_0-1}, P_{B,j}^{t_0}, P_{B,j}^{t_0+1}$  all need limits.

## 1.5 Step 2: Consensus Update (Local Averaging)

For each battery  $j \in \mathcal{B}$  and each time  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ , average only over subproblems where  $t$  is the *active* time:

**Consensus at  $t = 1$ :**

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[1] = \text{clamp} \left( \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{B}_j^1[1] + \mathbf{u}_j^1[1] + \mathbf{B}_j^2[1] + \mathbf{u}_j^2[1]), \underline{B}_j, \overline{B}_j \right) \quad (11)$$

*Contributors:* Subproblems  $t_0 = 1$  and  $t_0 = 2$  (only these have  $t = 1$  as decision variable with dual)  
**Consensus at interior times** ( $2 \leq t \leq T - 1$ ):

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] = \text{clamp} \left( \frac{1}{3} \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{t}-1}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{t}-1}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{t}}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{t}}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{t}+1}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{t}+1}[\mathbf{t}] \right), \underline{B}_j, \overline{B}_j \right) \quad (12)$$

*Contributors:* Subproblems  $t_0 \in \{t - 1, t, t + 1\}$  (each has  $t$  as its active control time)

**Consensus at  $t = T$ :**

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{T}] = \text{clamp} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{T}-1}[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{T}-1}[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{T}] \right), \underline{B}_j, \overline{B}_j \right) \quad (13)$$

*Contributors:* Subproblems  $t_0 = T - 1$  and  $t_0 = T$  (only these have  $t = T$  as decision variable with dual)

**General form:**

$$\mathcal{N}_t = \{t_0 \in \mathcal{T} : t \text{ is the active control time in subproblem } t_0\} \quad (14)$$

$$= \begin{cases} \{1, 2\} & \text{if } t = 1 \\ \{t - 1, t, t + 1\} & \text{if } 2 \leq t \leq T - 1 \\ \{T - 1, T\} & \text{if } t = T \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

## 1.6 Step 3: Dual Update (Active Time Only)

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \mathcal{T}$  and battery  $j \in \mathcal{B}$ , update dual *only* for the active control time  $t_0$ :

**Subproblem  $t_0 = 1$ :**

$$\mathbf{u}_j^1[1] := \mathbf{u}_j^1[1] + \left( \mathbf{B}_j^1[1] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[1] \right) \quad (16)$$

**Subproblem  $t_0$  ( $2 \leq t_0 \leq T - 1$ ):**

$$\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0] := \mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0] + \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}_0] \right) \quad (17)$$

**Subproblem  $t_0 = T$ :**

$$\mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{T}] := \mathbf{u}_j^{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{T}] + \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{\mathbf{T}}[\mathbf{T}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{T}] \right) \quad (18)$$

**Critical Note:** Each subproblem  $t_0$  maintains *only one* dual variable per battery:  $\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0]$ .

The local SOC variables  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0 \pm 1]$  are used in penalty terms for coupling but do *not* generate separate dual updates within subproblem  $t_0$ . They will be updated when those times are the active control time in their respective subproblems.

## 1.7 Convergence Criteria

**Primal Residual (only for coupled times):**

$$\|r^k\|_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{coupled}}}} \left( \sum_{t_0 \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}} \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2 \right)^{1/2} \quad (19)$$

where  $N_{\text{coupled}} = \sum_{t_0 \in \mathcal{T}} |\mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}| \times |\mathcal{B}| = (2 + 3(T - 2) + 2) \times |\mathcal{B}| = 3T \times |\mathcal{B}| - 2|\mathcal{B}|$ .

**Dual Residual:**

$$\|s^k\|_2 = \frac{\rho}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j^k[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j^{k-1}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2} \leq \epsilon_{\text{dual}} \quad (20)$$

## 1.8 Complexity Comparison

Metric	Global Coupling	Local Coupling
SOC variables per subproblem	$T \times  \mathcal{B} $	2 or $3 \times  \mathcal{B} $
Dual variables per subproblem	$T \times  \mathcal{B} $	$1 \times  \mathcal{B} $
Penalty terms per subproblem	$T \times  \mathcal{B} $	2 or $3 \times  \mathcal{B} $
Total SOC storage	$T^2 \times  \mathcal{B} $	$(2 \cdot 2 + 3 \cdot (T - 2)) \times  \mathcal{B}  = (3T - 2) \times  \mathcal{B} $
Total dual storage	$T^2 \times  \mathcal{B} $	$T \times  \mathcal{B} $
Communication per iteration	$T \times  \mathcal{B} $ per subproblem	2 or $3 \times  \mathcal{B} $ per subproblem
Consensus contributors	All $T$ subproblems	Only 2 or 3 neighbors

For  $T = 24$ ,  $|\mathcal{B}| = 26$  batteries:

- **SOC Variables:**

- Global:  $24^2 \times 26 = 14,976$  total
- Local:  $(3 \times 24 - 2) \times 26 = 1,872$  total
- **Reduction:**  $8.0\times$

- **Dual Variables:**

- Global:  $24^2 \times 26 = 14,976$  total
- Local:  $24 \times 26 = 624$  total
- **Reduction:**  $24\times$

- **Per-subproblem SOC variables:**

- Global:  $24 \times 26 = 624$  per subproblem
- Local (boundary):  $2 \times 26 = 52$  per subproblem
- Local (interior):  $3 \times 26 = 78$  per subproblem
- **Reduction:**  $12\times$  (boundary),  $8\times$  (interior)

## 2 LinDistFlow MPOPF with tADMM

### 2.1 Problem Overview

The Temporal ADMM (tADMM) algorithm decomposes the multi-period optimal power flow problem for distribution networks into  $T$  subproblems, each corresponding to one time period. This formulation uses the linearized DistFlow model to capture network physics including voltage drops and reactive power flows.

### 2.2 Variable Color Coding

- $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}]$ : Local SOC variables for battery  $j$  in subproblem  $t_0$ , evaluated at time  $t$  (blue)
- $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}]$ : Global consensus SOC for battery  $j$  at time  $t$  (red)
- $\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}]$ : Local scaled dual variables for battery  $j$  in subproblem  $t_0$ , for time  $t$  (green)

### 2.3 Sets and Indices

- $\mathcal{N}$ : Set of all nodes (buses)
- $\mathcal{L}$ : Set of all branches (lines)
- $\mathcal{L}_1$ : Set of branches connected to substation (node 1)
- $\mathcal{B}$ : Set of nodes with batteries
- $\mathcal{D}$ : Set of nodes with PV (DER)
- $\mathcal{T} = \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ : Set of time periods
- $t_0 \in \mathcal{T}$ : Index for a specific time period in tADMM decomposition
- $j \in \mathcal{N}$ : Node index
- $(i, j) \in \mathcal{L}$ : Branch from node  $i$  to node  $j$

### 2.4 tADMM Algorithm Structure

The algorithm alternates between three update steps:

### 2.5 Step 1: Subproblem Update (Blue Variables)

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{\substack{P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, Q_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, \\ P_{ij}^{t_0}, Q_{ij}^{t_0}, v_j^{t_0}, q_{D,j}^{t_0}, \\ P_{B,j}^t, \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \\ \forall j \in \mathcal{B}, t \in \mathcal{T}}} & c^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{BASE}} \cdot \Delta t + C_B \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \left( P_{B,j}^{t_0} \right)^2 \cdot P_{\text{BASE}}^2 \cdot \Delta t \\
 & + \frac{\rho}{2} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

**Subject to:**

**Spatial Network Constraints (only for time  $t_0$ ):**

$$\text{Real power balance (substation): } P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0} - \sum_{(1,j) \in \mathcal{L}_1} P_{1j}^{t_0} = 0 \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Real power balance (nodes): } P_{ij}^{t_0} - \sum_{(j,k) \in \mathcal{L}} P_{jk}^{t_0} &= P_{B,j}^{t_0} + p_{D,j}^{t_0} - p_{L,j}^{t_0}, \\ \forall (i,j) &\in \mathcal{L}, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

$$\text{Reactive power balance (substation): } Q_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0} - \sum_{(1,j) \in \mathcal{L}_1} Q_{1j}^{t_0} = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Reactive power balance (nodes): } Q_{ij}^{t_0} - \sum_{(j,k) \in \mathcal{L}} Q_{jk}^{t_0} &= q_{D,j}^{t_0} - q_{L,j}^{t_0}, \\ \forall (i,j) &\in \mathcal{L}, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

$$\text{KVL constraints: } v_i^{t_0} - v_j^{t_0} = 2(r_{ij}P_{ij}^{t_0} + x_{ij}Q_{ij}^{t_0}), \quad \forall (i,j) \in \mathcal{L} \quad (26)$$

$$\text{Voltage limits: } (V_{\min,j})^2 \leq v_j^{t_0} \leq (V_{\max,j})^2, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{N} \quad (27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{PV reactive limits: } -\sqrt{(S_{D,j})^2 - (p_{D,j}^{t_0})^2} &\leq q_{D,j}^{t_0} \leq \sqrt{(S_{D,j})^2 - (p_{D,j}^{t_0})^2}, \\ \forall j &\in \mathcal{D} \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

**Temporal Battery Constraints (entire horizon  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$ ):**

$$\text{Initial SOC: } \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[1] = B_{0,j} - P_{B,j}^1 \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (29)$$

$$\text{SOC trajectory: } \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t] = \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t-1] - P_{B,j}^t \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall t \in \{2, \dots, T\}, j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (30)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SOC limits: } \text{SOC}_{\min,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j} &\leq \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t] \leq \text{SOC}_{\max,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j}, \\ \forall t \in \mathcal{T}, j &\in \mathcal{B} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

$$\text{Power limits: } -P_{B,\text{rated},j} \leq P_{B,j}^t \leq P_{B,\text{rated},j}, \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}, j \in \mathcal{B} \quad (32)$$

**Key Formulation Notes:**

- **Network variables** ( $P_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, Q_{\text{Subs}}^{t_0}, P_{ij}^{t_0}, Q_{ij}^{t_0}, v_j^{t_0}, q_{D,j}^{t_0}$ ) are optimized *only* for time step  $t_0$
- **Battery power**  $P_{B,j}^t$  is optimized for the *entire* horizon  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$
- **Local SOC trajectory**  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t]$  (blue) is computed for *all* time steps  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$
- The ADMM consensus penalty compares the full local trajectory  $\mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t]$  with the global master copy  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[t]$  (red)
- Each battery  $j \in \mathcal{B}$  has its own local/global SOC variables and dual variables

## 2.6 Step 2: Consensus Update (Red Variables)

For each battery  $j \in \mathcal{B}$  and each time period  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[t] = \text{clamp} \left( \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t_0=1}^T \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[t] + \mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[t] \right), \underline{B}_j, \overline{B}_j \right) \quad (33)$$

where  $\underline{B}_j = \text{SOC}_{\min,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j}$  and  $\overline{B}_j = \text{SOC}_{\max,j} \cdot B_{\text{rated},j}$ .

## 2.7 Step 3: Dual Update (Green Variables)

For each battery  $j \in \mathcal{B}$ , each subproblem  $t_0 \in \mathcal{T}$ , and each time period  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ :

$$\mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] := \mathbf{u}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] + \left( \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] \right) \quad (34)$$

## 2.8 Convergence Criteria

**Primal Residual (Consensus Violation):**

$$\|r^k\|_2 = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t_0=1}^T \mathbf{B}_j^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2} \leq \epsilon_{\text{pri}} \quad (35)$$

**Dual Residual (Consensus Change):**

$$\|s^k\|_2 = \frac{\rho}{|\mathcal{B}|} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j^k[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}_j^{k-1}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2} \leq \epsilon_{\text{dual}} \quad (36)$$

### 3 Copper Plate MPOPF with tADMM (Simplified Case)

#### 3.1 Problem Overview

The Temporal ADMM (tADMM) algorithm decomposes the multi-period optimal power flow problem into  $T$  single-step subproblems, each corresponding to one time period. The hope is to enable parallel computation and improved scalability while still retaining solution optimality.

#### 3.2 Variable Color Coding

Following the handwritten PDF formulation:

- $\mathbf{B}^{t_0}$ : Local SOC variables for subproblem  $t_0$  (blue)
- $\hat{\mathbf{B}}$ : Global consensus SOC trajectory (red)
- $\mathbf{u}^{t_0}$ : Local scaled dual variables for subproblem  $t_0$  (green)

#### 3.3 tADMM Algorithm Structure

The algorithm alternates between three update steps:

#### 3.4 Step 1: Primal Update (Blue Variables) tADMM Optimization Model

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ :

$$\min_{P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0}, P_B^{t_0}, \mathbf{B}^{t_0}} C^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0} + C_B \cdot (P_B^{t_0})^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| \mathbf{B}^{t_0} - \hat{\mathbf{B}} + \mathbf{u}^{t_0} \right\|_2^2 \quad (37)$$

Subject to SOC Dynamics for Entire Trajectory:

$$\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[1] = B_0 - P_B^{t_0} \cdot \Delta t \quad (38)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[t] = \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[t-1] - P_B^{t_0} \cdot \Delta t, \quad \forall t \in \{2, \dots, T\} \quad (39)$$

$$P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0} + P_B^{t_0} = P_L[t_0] \quad (40)$$

$$-P_{B,R} \leq P_B^{t_0} \leq P_{B,R} \quad (41)$$

$$\underline{B} \leq \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[t] \leq \overline{B}, \quad \forall t \in \{1, \dots, T\} \quad (42)$$

**Key Formulation Notes:**

- Each subproblem  $t_0$  optimizes the battery power  $P_B^{t_0}$  for *only* time step  $t_0$
- However, the SOC trajectory  $\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[t]$  is computed for *all* time steps  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$
- This ensures that the ADMM penalty term can compare the full trajectory  $\mathbf{B}^{t_0}$  with the consensus  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}$
- The power balance constraint is enforced only for the specific time  $t_0$



### 3.5 Step 2: Consensus Update (Red Variables)

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] = \text{clamp} \left( \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t_0=1}^T (\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}]), \underline{B}, \overline{B} \right) \quad (43)$$

$$\forall t \in \{1, 2, \dots, T-1\} \quad (44)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{T}] = B_{T, \text{target}} \quad (\text{if terminal constraint exists}) \quad (45)$$

### 3.6 Step 3: Dual Update (Green Variables)

$$\mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] := \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] + (\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}]) \quad (46)$$

$$\forall t_0 \in \{1, \dots, T\}, \forall t \in \{1, \dots, T\} \quad (47)$$

## 4 Convergence Criteria

The algorithm terminates when both residuals fall below specified thresholds:

### 4.1 Primal Residual (Consensus Violation)

$$\|r^k\|_2 = \left\| \text{vec} \left( \left\{ \mathbf{B}^{t_0} - \hat{\mathbf{B}} \right\}_{t_0=1}^T \right) \right\|_2 \leq \epsilon_{\text{pri}} \quad (48)$$

### 4.2 Dual Residual (Consensus Change)

$$\|s^k\|_2 = \rho \left\| \hat{\mathbf{B}}^k - \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{k-1} \right\|_2 \leq \epsilon_{\text{dual}} \quad (49)$$

## 5 Algorithm Parameters

### 5.1 Objective Function Components

The tADMM objective function for each subproblem  $t_0$  consists of three terms:

$$\text{Energy Cost: } C^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0} \cdot \Delta t \quad (50)$$

$$\text{Battery Quadratic Cost: } C_B \cdot (P_B^{t_0})^2 \cdot \Delta t \quad (51)$$

$$\text{ADMM Penalty: } \frac{\rho}{2} \left\| \mathbf{B}^{t_0} - \hat{\mathbf{B}} + \mathbf{u}^{t_0} \right\|_2^2 \quad (52)$$

Where:

- $C^{t_0}$ : Energy price at time  $t_0$  [\$/kWh]
- $C_B$ : Battery quadratic cost coefficient [\$/kW<sup>2</sup>/h] (typically  $10^{-6} \times \min(C^t)$ )
- $\rho$ : ADMM penalty parameter (adaptive or fixed)

The battery quadratic cost term  $C_B \cdot (P_B^{t_0})^2$  serves as a regularization to:

1. Prevent excessive battery cycling
2. Encourage smoother power trajectories
3. Improve numerical conditioning of the optimization problem

## 5.2 Algorithmic Parameters

- **Penalty Parameter:**  $\rho_{\text{init}} = 10.0$  (initial value if adaptive)
- **Primal Tolerance:**  $\epsilon_{\text{pri}} = 10^{-5}$
- **Dual Tolerance:**  $\epsilon_{\text{dual}} = 10^{-4}$
- **Maximum Iterations:** 1000

## 5.3 Adaptive Penalty Parameter (Boyd et al. 2011)

The penalty parameter  $\rho$  can be adjusted dynamically to balance convergence rates of primal and dual residuals. The adaptive scheme is activated by setting `adaptive_rho = true`.

### Residual Balance Criterion:

At iteration  $k$ , if the residuals are imbalanced by more than factor  $\mu$ :

$$\text{If } \|r^k\|_2 > \mu \cdot \|s^k\|_2 : \quad \text{Primal residual too large} \quad (53)$$

$$\text{If } \|s^k\|_2 > \mu \cdot \|r^k\|_2 : \quad \text{Dual residual too large} \quad (54)$$

### Penalty Parameter Update (every $N_{\text{update}}$ iterations):

$$\rho^{k+1} = \begin{cases} \min(\rho_{\text{max}}, \tau_{\text{incr}} \cdot \rho^k) & \text{if } \|r^k\|_2 > \mu \cdot \|s^k\|_2 \\ \max(\rho_{\text{min}}, \rho^k / \tau_{\text{decr}}) & \text{if } \|s^k\|_2 > \mu \cdot \|r^k\|_2 \\ \rho^k & \text{otherwise (residuals balanced)} \end{cases} \quad (55)$$

### Dual Variable Rescaling:

When  $\rho$  changes from  $\rho^k$  to  $\rho^{k+1}$ , the scaled dual variables must be rescaled:

$$\mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \leftarrow \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \cdot \frac{\rho^{k+1}}{\rho^k}, \quad \forall t_0, t \quad (56)$$

This maintains the relationship between scaled and unscaled dual variables:  $\mathbf{u} = \lambda / \rho$ .

### Adaptive Parameters:

- **Balance factor:**  $\mu = 10.0$  (higher for copper plate vs. 5.0 for SOCP)
- **Increase factor:**  $\tau_{\text{incr}} = 2.0$
- **Decrease factor:**  $\tau_{\text{decr}} = 2.0$
- **Bounds:**  $\rho_{\text{min}} = 0.1$ ,  $\rho_{\text{max}} = 10^6$
- **Update interval:**  $N_{\text{update}} = 10$  iterations

**Convergence Impact:**

For the copper plate problem (24-hour horizon, 1000 kVA base):

- **Fixed**  $\rho = 10.0$ : Converges in  $\sim 200$ – $400$  iterations
- **Adaptive**  $\rho$ : Converges in  $\sim 98$  iterations ( $2$ – $4\times$  speedup)
- Typical  $\rho$  trajectory:  $10.0 \rightarrow 5.0 \rightarrow 2.5 \rightarrow 1.25$  (decreasing to balance residuals)

## 6 Copper Plate Localized tADMM (Reduced Network)

### 6.1 Overview

The copper plate formulation simplifies the multi-period OPF by removing network constraints entirely, reducing each time period's problem to pure energy arbitrage. Combined with localized temporal coupling (Section 1), this yields the most compact tADMM subproblems.

**Key Simplifications:**

- **Network:** No voltage, power flow, or line constraints
- **Spatial:** Single aggregated load, single aggregated battery
- **Temporal:** Localized coupling (2–3 time steps per subproblem)
- **Problem Size:** Each subproblem has only 3–5 decision variables

### 6.2 Local Time Sets (Copper Plate)

Same as LinDistFlow localized formulation:

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0} = \begin{cases} \{1, 2\} & \text{if } t_0 = 1 \\ \{t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1\} & \text{if } 2 \leq t_0 \leq T - 1 \\ \{T - 1, T\} & \text{if } t_0 = T \end{cases} \quad (57)$$

### 6.3 Primal Update (Copper Plate, Subproblem $t_0$ )

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\substack{P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0}, P_B^{t_0}, \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \\ t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}}} & c^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0} \cdot P_{\text{BASE}} \cdot \Delta t + C_B \cdot (P_B^{t_0})^2 \cdot P_{\text{BASE}}^2 \cdot \Delta t \\ & + \frac{\rho}{2} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}} \left( \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

**Subject to:**

**Nodal Real Power Balance (only at  $t_0$ ):**

$$P_{\text{subs}}^{t_0} + P_B^{t_0} = P_L^{t_0} \quad (59)$$

**Battery SOC Dynamics:**

**Case 1:  $t_0 = 1$  (First period):**

*Local times:  $\{1, 2\}$ , Optimize:  $\mathbf{B}^1[1], \mathbf{B}^1[2], P_B^1, P_B^2, P_{\text{subs}}^1$*

$$\mathbf{B}^1[1] = B_0 - P_B^1 \cdot \Delta t \quad (60)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^1[2] = \mathbf{B}^1[1] - P_B^2 \cdot \Delta t \quad (61)$$

**Case 2:  $2 \leq t_0 \leq T - 1$  (Interior periods):**

Local times:  $\{t_0 - 1, t_0, t_0 + 1\}$ , Optimize:  $\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0 - \mathbf{1}], \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0], \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0 + \mathbf{1}], P_B^{t_0}, P_B^{t_0+1}, P_{subs}^{t_0}$

$$\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0] = \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0 - \mathbf{1}] - P_B^{t_0} \cdot \Delta t \quad (62)$$

$$\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0 + \mathbf{1}] = \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}_0] - P_B^{t_0+1} \cdot \Delta t \quad (63)$$

**Case 3:  $t_0 = T$  (Last period):**

Local times:  $\{T - 1, T\}$ , Optimize:  $\mathbf{B}^T[\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{1}], \mathbf{B}^T[\mathbf{T}], P_B^T, P_{subs}^T$

$$\mathbf{B}^T[\mathbf{T}] = \mathbf{B}^T[\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{1}] - P_B^T \cdot \Delta t \quad (64)$$

**Battery Bounds (all local times):**

$$\underline{B} \leq \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \leq \overline{B}, \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0} \quad (65)$$

$$-P_{B,R} \leq P_B^t \leq P_{B,R}, \quad \forall t \in \{t_0, t_0 + 1\} \cap \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0} \quad (66)$$

## 6.4 Consensus Update (Localized Averaging)

For each time step  $t \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$ , average over subproblems containing  $t$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{B}^1[\mathbf{1}] + \mathbf{u}^1[\mathbf{1}] + \mathbf{B}^2[\mathbf{1}] + \mathbf{u}^2[\mathbf{1}]) & \text{if } t = 1 \\ \frac{1}{3} \sum_{t_0 \in \{t-1, t, t+1\}} (\mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] + \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}]) & \text{if } 2 \leq t \leq T - 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{B}^{T-1}[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{u}^{T-1}[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{B}^T[\mathbf{T}] + \mathbf{u}^T[\mathbf{T}]) & \text{if } t = T \end{cases} \quad (67)$$

**Projection onto Feasible Set:**

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] \leftarrow \max \left( \underline{B}, \min \left( \overline{B}, \hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] \right) \right) \quad (68)$$

## 6.5 Dual Update (Localized)

For each subproblem  $t_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, T\}$  and  $t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}$ :

$$\mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] \leftarrow \mathbf{u}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] + \left( \mathbf{B}^{t_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] \right) \quad (69)$$

**Number of Dual Updates per Iteration:**

- Subproblem  $t_0 = 1$ : Update 2 dual variables ( $\mathbf{u}^1[\mathbf{1}], \mathbf{u}^1[\mathbf{2}]$ )
- Subproblems  $t_0 = 2, \dots, T - 1$ : Update 3 dual variables each
- Subproblem  $t_0 = T$ : Update 2 dual variables ( $\mathbf{u}^T[\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{1}], \mathbf{u}^T[\mathbf{T}]$ )
- **Total:**  $2 + 3(T - 2) + 2 = 3T - 2$  dual variable updates

## 6.6 Convergence Criteria

**Primal Residual (consensus violation):**

$$\|r^k\|_2 = \frac{1}{T} \sqrt{\sum_{t_0=1}^T \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_{\text{local}}^{t_0}} \left( \mathbf{B}^{\mathbf{t}_0}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2} \quad (70)$$

**Dual Residual (consensus change):**

$$\|s^k\|_2 = \frac{\rho}{T} \sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^T \left( \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{k}}[\mathbf{t}] - \hat{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{k}-1}[\mathbf{t}] \right)^2} \quad (71)$$

**Stopping Criteria:**

$$\text{Converged if: } \|r^k\|_2 \leq \epsilon_{\text{pri}} \quad \text{and} \quad \|s^k\|_2 \leq \epsilon_{\text{dual}} \quad (72)$$

## 6.7 Complexity Comparison

Formulation	Variables/Subproblem	Coupling Variables	Total Storage
Global tADMM	$T$ SOC + $T$ power	$T$	$T^2$
Localized tADMM (LinDistFlow)	2–3 SOC + 2–3 power	2–3	$3T$
<b>Localized Copper Plate</b>	<b>2–3 SOC + 1–2 power</b>	<b>2–3</b>	<b>3T</b>

Table 1: Comparison of tADMM formulations (per-unit battery system)

**Copper Plate Advantages:**

- **Minimal subproblem size:** 3–5 decision variables per subproblem
- **No spatial coupling:** Pure temporal decomposition
- **Fast solves:** Each subproblem is a small LP/QP (<1ms with Gurobi)
- **Scalability:** Computational cost grows linearly with  $T$  (not  $T^2$ )

## 6.8 Example: 24-Hour Copper Plate Problem

**Problem Data:**

- Time periods:  $T = 24$  (hourly intervals)
- Battery:  $E_{\text{rated}} = 4000$  kWh,  $P_{B,R} = 800$  kW
- Load:  $P_L \in [800, 1200]$  kW (time-varying)
- Energy price:  $c^t \in [0.08, 0.20]$  \$/kWh (sinusoidal)
- Quadratic battery cost:  $C_B = 10^{-6} \times \min(c^t)$

**Convergence Performance:**

- **Fixed**  $\rho = 10.0$ :  $\sim 200$ – $300$  iterations
- **Adaptive**  $\rho$  (**Boyd**):  $\sim 98$  iterations ( $\rho$ :  $10.0 \rightarrow 5.0 \rightarrow 2.5 \rightarrow 1.25$ )
- **Solve time**:  $< 5$  seconds total (single-threaded Julia)
- **Objective gap vs. centralized**:  $< 10^{-6}$  (numerically exact)

## 7 Appendix: Full Variable and Parameter Definitions

### 7.1 System Bases

$$\text{kV}_B = \frac{4.16}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ kV (phase-to-neutral)} \quad (73)$$

$$\text{kVA}_B = 1000 \text{ kVA} \quad (74)$$

$$P_{\text{BASE}} = 1000 \text{ kW} \quad (75)$$

$$E_{\text{BASE}} = 1000 \text{ kWh per hour} \quad (76)$$

### 7.2 SOC Bound Definitions

$$\underline{B} = \text{SOC}_{\min} \cdot E_{\text{Rated}} \quad (77)$$

$$\overline{B} = \text{SOC}_{\max} \cdot E_{\text{Rated}} \quad (78)$$

### 7.3 Physical Interpretation

- $P_B[t] > 0$ : Battery discharging (providing power to the system)
- $P_B[t] < 0$ : Battery charging (consuming power from the system)
- $B[t]$ : Battery state of charge at the end of period  $t$
- $\underline{B} = \text{SOC}_{\min} \cdot E_{\text{Rated}}$ : Lower SOC bound
- $\overline{B} = \text{SOC}_{\max} \cdot E_{\text{Rated}}$ : Upper SOC bound