

A Bi-level Stackelberg Game Model for Multi-Energy Retail Package Optimization

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Optimization variables

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| $Q_{i,k}^B$ | Electricity purchased from bilateral contract k of retailer i . |
| $Q_{t,i,\omega}^{\text{Spot}}$ | Electricity purchased from spot market of retailer i at period t in scenario ω . |
| $G_{i,k}^{\text{Re,B}}$ | Natural-gas purchased from bilateral contract k of retailer i . |
| $G_{t,j,k,n}^{\text{User,B}}$ | Natural-gas purchased by type n end-user j from bilateral contract k at period t . |
| $Q_{t,i,j,n}^{\text{User}} / G_{t,i,j,n}^{\text{User}}$ | Electricity/natural-gas purchased by type n end-user j from retailer i at period t . |
| $p_{k,n}^{\text{E},1} / p_{f,n}^{\text{E},1} / p_{v,n}^{\text{E},1}$ | The electricity price of type n end-user at peak/flat/valley period in package 1. |
| $p_{t,n}^{\text{E},1} / p_{t,n}^{\text{G},1}$ | The electricity/natural-gas price of type n end-user at period t in package 1. |
| $p_{\text{day},n}^{\text{E},2} / p_{\text{night},n}^{\text{E},2}$ | The electricity price of type n end-user at day/night period in package 2. |
| $p_{t,n}^{\text{E},2}$ | The electricity price of type n end-user at period t in package 2. |
| $p_{\text{ba},n}^{\text{E},3} / p_{\text{re},n}^{\text{E},3} / p_{\text{pe},n}^{\text{E},3}$ | The basic/reward/penalty electricity price of type n end-user in package 3. |
| $p_{1\text{st},n}^{\text{E},4} / p_{2\text{nd},n}^{\text{E},4} / p_{3\text{rd},n}^{\text{E},4}$ | The electricity price of type n end-user at first/second/third level in package 4. |
| $p_{\text{ba},n}^{\text{G},4} / p_{\text{re},n}^{\text{G},4} / p_{\text{pe},n}^{\text{G},4}$ | The basic/reward/penalty natural-gas price of type n end-user in package 4. |
| $p_n^{\text{E},5} / p_n^{\text{G},5}$ | The electricity/natural-gas price of type n end-user in package 5. |

Other variables

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| $C_{i,\omega}^{\text{E,Re}}$ | The cost of purchasing electricity for retailer i in scenario ω . |
| $C_i^{\text{G,Re}}$ | The cost of purchasing natural-gas for retailer i . |
| $B_{i,m}$ | The income of retailer i by package m . |
| $C_{i,j,m}^{\text{E,User}} / C_{i,j,m}^{\text{G,User}}$ | The cost of purchasing electricity/natural-gas from retailer i by package m for end-user j . |
| $C_j^{\text{G,User,B}}$ | The cost of purchasing natural-gas by bilateral contracts for end-user j . |
| $Q_{i,j,n}^{\text{User,Ex},2}$ | The excess quantity of night-time electricity demand of type n end-user j in package 2 provided by retailer i . |
| $\varepsilon_{ij,n}$ | The peak-valley excess coefficient of type n end-user j in package 3 provided by retailer i . |
| $Q_{i,j,n}^{\text{Month}} / G_{i,j,n}^{\text{Month}}$ | Monthly electricity/natural-gas purchased of type n end-user j from retailer i . |
| $Q_{t,j,n}^{\text{Total}} / G_{t,j,n}^{\text{Total}}$ | The total electricity/natural-gas demand of type n end-user j at period t . |
| $B_i^{\text{Re}} / PR_i^{\text{Re}}$ | The income/profit of retailer i . |
| $R_i^{\text{VaR}} / R_i^{\text{CVaR}}$ | The CVaR/VaR value of retailer i . |
| $C_{i,\omega}^{\text{R}} / F_i(y, \omega)$ | The cost/risk loss function of retailer i in scenario ω . |
| $\delta_i / X_{i,\omega}$ | Auxiliary variables of retailer i for measuring risk by CVaR. |
| $S_j^{\text{E,Com}} / S_j^{\text{E,Eco}}$ | The electricity comfort /economy satisfaction of end-user j . |
| $S_j^{\text{G,Com}} / S_j^{\text{G,Eco}}$ | The natural-gas comfort /economy satisfaction of end-user j . |
| S_j^{Energy} | The overall energy satisfaction of end-user j . |

$$Q_{t,j,n}^{\text{In}} / G_{t,j,n}^{\text{In}}$$

The initial electricity/natural-gas demand of type n end-user j at period t .

$$C_j^{\text{E,In}} / C_j^{\text{G,In}}$$

The initial electricity/natural-gas cost of end-user j .

TABLE I*

QUOTATION PARAMETERS

| Quotation Parameters | Value |
|---|---------------|
| Power generation company 1 (\$/kWh) | 0.035 |
| Power generation company 2 (\$/kWh) | 0.026 |
| Natural gas company 1 to retailers (\$/m ³) | 0.20 |
| Natural gas company 2 to retailers (\$/m ³) | 0.22 |
| Natural gas company 1 to residential/commercial/industrial end-users (\$/m ³) | 0.35/0.45/0.4 |
| Natural gas company 2 to residential/commercial/industrial end-users (\$/m ³) | 0.4/0.5/0.45 |

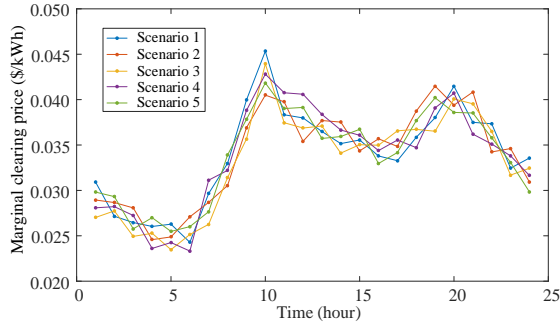


Fig. 1* MCP scenarios in the spot market

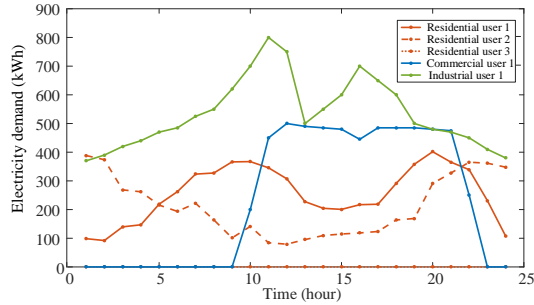


Fig. 2* Initial electricity demand of end-users

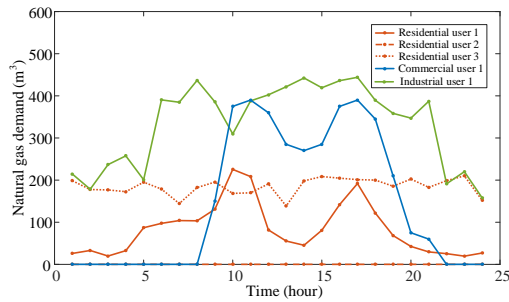


Fig. 3* Initial natural-gas demand of end-users

TABLE II*

PACKAGE PARAMETERS

| Package | Parameters | Value |
|---------|--|--------|
| 2 | Bundled sale proportion | 0.5 |
| | Limit value of night-time electricity demand (kWh) | 800 |
| | Limit value of electricity demand at peak period (kWh) | 1200 |
| 3 | Limit value of electricity demand at valley period (kWh) | 1000 |
| | Boundary value of peak-valley excess coefficient (kWh) | 800 |
| | The first level of electricity demand (kWh) | 80000 |
| 4 | The second level of electricity demand (kWh) | 100000 |
| | The natural-gas quota value (m ³) | 8000 |

TABLE III*

OTHER PARAMETERS INVOLVED IN SOLVING THE MODEL

| Other Parameters | Value |
|---|------------------|
| Risk factor weight of each retailer | 0.4 |
| The confidence level | 0.95 |
| The size of PSO population | 30 |
| The number of iterations | 101 |
| The acceleration factors in PSO | 2 |
| The iteration precision | 10 ⁻³ |
| Satisfaction weights of end-users for electricity comfort/economy | 0.1/0.4 |