

MILP Formulation for ECU Optimization

Decision Variables

$$\begin{aligned} x_{s,m} &\in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} && \text{Number of ECU model } m \text{ assigned to shelter } s \\ e_s &\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} && \text{Excess BTU capacity for shelter } s \end{aligned}$$

Parameters

CoolingCapacity_m : Cooling capacity (BTU/hr) of model m

HeatingCapacity_m : Heating capacity (BTU/hr) of model m

CoolingPower_m : Cooling power consumption (kW) of model m

HeatingPower_m : Heating power consumption (kW) of model m

Cost_m : Cost (USD) of model m

Weight_m : Weight (lbs) of model m

Size_m : Size (ft^3) of model m

TargetBTU_s : BTU requirement of shelter s

$w_{\text{cost}}, w_{\text{power}}, w_{\text{weight}}, w_{\text{size}}$: User-defined weights for each metric

p : User-defined penalty weight for excess BTU capacity

$$\text{Window}_m : \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if model } m \text{ is window-mounted} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Compat}_s : \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if shelter } s \text{ accepts window-mounted ECUs} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Normalization

For use *only in the objective function*, each attribute is normalized by dividing by its maximum value across all ECU models:

$$\hat{\text{Value}}_m = \frac{\text{Value}_m}{\max_j(\text{Value}_j)} \in [0, 1]$$

This normalization is applied to cost, power, weight, and size. Cooling and heating capacities and power are normalized separately.

Objective Function

$$\min \sum_m x_{s,m} \left(w_{\text{cost}} \cdot \hat{\text{Cost}}_m + w_{\text{power}} \cdot \hat{\text{Power}}_m + w_{\text{weight}} \cdot \hat{\text{Weight}}_m + w_{\text{size}} \cdot \hat{\text{Size}}_m \right) + p \cdot e_s \quad \forall s$$

Where:

- Cooling mode: $\hat{\text{Power}}_m$ and $\hat{\text{Capacity}}_m$ are based on **cooling** power and capacity.
- Heating mode: $\hat{\text{Power}}_m$ and $\hat{\text{Capacity}}_m$ are based on **heating** power and capacity.

Constraints

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_m \text{CoolingCapacityBTU}_m \cdot x_{s,m} &\geq \text{TargetBTU}_s \quad \forall s \quad (\text{Cooling mode: Meet cooling demand}) \\
 \sum_m \text{HeatingCapacityBTU}_m \cdot x_{s,m} &\geq \text{TargetBTU}_s \quad \forall s \quad (\text{Heating mode: Meet heating demand}) \\
 \sum_m \text{CoolingCapacityBTU}_m \cdot x_{s,m} - e_s &\leq \text{TargetBTU}_s \quad \forall s \quad (\text{Cooling mode: Define excess cooling}) \\
 \sum_m \text{HeatingCapacityBTU}_m \cdot x_{s,m} - e_s &\leq \text{TargetBTU}_s \quad \forall s \quad (\text{Heating mode: Define excess heating}) \\
 x_{s,m} &= 0 \quad \forall s, m \text{ when } \text{Compatible}_s = 0 \text{ and } \text{Window}_m = 1 \\
 x_{s,m} &\in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \quad \forall s, m \\
 e_s &\in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \quad \forall s
 \end{aligned}$$