

# Optimization Project in Energy

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# Optimization problem

## Optimisation/decision variable :

- $x(s)$  : state of charge of the battery at time  $s$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, T + 1$ .
- $a(s)$ : amount of electricity bought on the network ( $s = 1, \dots, T$ ).
- $v(s)$ : amount of energy sold on the network ( $s = 1, \dots, T$ ).

## Parameters:

- $d(s)$ : net demand of energy (load minus solar/wind production) at time  $s$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, T$ .  
If  $d > 0$ , more demand than production of energy from the microgrid  
If  $d < 0$ , more production of energy from the microgrid
- $P_a(s)$  : unitary buying price of energy at time  $s$
- $P_v(s)$  : unitary selling price of energy at time  $s$
- $x_{\max}$ : storage capacity of the battery.

## Contraints:

- $\forall s = 1, \dots, T$ ,

$$x(s+1) = x(s) - d(s) + a(s) - v(s)$$

- $x(1) = 0$
- $a(s) \geq 0$ ,  $\forall s = 1, \dots, T$
- $v(s) \geq 0$ ,  $\forall s = 1, \dots, T$
- $0 \leq x(s) \leq x_{\max}$ ,  
 $\forall s = 1, \dots, T + 1$ .

## Cost function to be minimized:

$$J(x, a, v) = \sum_{s=1}^T (P_a(s)a(s) - P_v(s)v(s))$$

# Deterministic or random demand?

- A priori-known demand → TP1
- Random demand → TP2

One day optimization problem that need to be solved for many days:

## Dynamical programming

Main idea behind **dynamic programming**:

- We **parametrize** the problem to be solved  $\rightsquigarrow$  a sequence of problems of increasing complexity.
- We look for a **relation** (“dynamic programming principle”) between the optimal values of the different problems.

Parameters :

- Initial time  $t \in \{1, \dots, T + 1\}$ .
- Initial state-of-charge of the battery  $y \in [0, x_{\max}]$ .

Initial problem with  $t = 1$  and  $y = 0$ .

# parametric problem

Parameterized problem:

$$V(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{y}) = \inf_{\substack{x(\mathbf{t}), x(\mathbf{t}+1), \dots, x(\mathbf{T}+1) \\ a(\mathbf{t}), a(\mathbf{t}+1), \dots, a(\mathbf{T}) \\ v(\mathbf{t}), v(\mathbf{t}+1), \dots, v(\mathbf{T})}} \sum_{s=\mathbf{t}}^{\mathbf{T}} P_a(s)a(s) - P_v(s)v(s) \quad (P(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{y}))$$

under the constraints:

- $x(s+1) = x(s) - d(s) + a(s) - v(s), \forall s = \mathbf{t}, \dots, \mathbf{T}$
- $x(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{y}$
- $a(s) \geq 0, \forall s = \mathbf{t}, \dots, \mathbf{T}$
- $v(s) \geq 0, \forall s = \mathbf{t}, \dots, \mathbf{T}$
- $0 \leq x(s) \leq x_{\max}, \forall s = \mathbf{t}, \dots, \mathbf{T} + 1.$

The function  $V$  is called **value function**; it plays a crucial role, in particular in the treatment of the stochastic version of the problem.

# Deterministic model and dynamic programming

- Dynamic programming = Temporal decomposition with smaller sub-problems
- Dynamic programming principle = Recursive relation
  - process ensuring that each subproblem is solved optimally, taking into account future implications and not the previous decisions.
- Interests of the decomposition:
  - reducing complexity
  - optimality of the global solution thanks to Bellman optimality principle
  - clearer implementation
  - ...

## Theorem [Dynamic programming principle]

The following holds true:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(t, y) = \inf_{(z, a, v) \in \mathbb{R}^3} & \quad P_a(t)a - P_v(t)v + V(t+1, z), \\
 \text{s.t.:} & \quad \begin{cases} z, a, v \geq 0 \\ z = y - d(t) + a - v \\ z \leq x_{\max} \end{cases} \quad (DP(t, y))
 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$  and  $y \in [0, x_{\max}]$  and

$$V(T+1, y) = 0.$$

# Deterministic model and dynamic programming

## exercice 5: **FORWARD** loop

To find  $V(t,y)$  for any  $t$  in  $[0,T]$  and any  $y$  in  $[0,x_{\max}]$  from Dynamic Programming (DP) principle

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We are here (t,y)

Time → ●

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Interpolation!  
exercice 2:

define an  
interpolation of  
order 2  
 $f(y) \approx \bar{\alpha}_1 + \bar{\alpha}_2 y + \bar{\alpha}_3 y^2$

### exercice 4: *BACKWARD* loop

To find interpolations  
of all the values  $V(t, y_j)$   
for  $t$  in  $[0, T]$  and  $y_j$  in  
 $[0, x_{\max}]$

## Time

We are  
here (t,y)

We want to take the good decision by taking into account next step  $V(t+1, z)$

### exercice 3:

*Function DP\_solve*

*INPUT:*

 $t, y_j,$ 

interpolation of  $V(t+1, z)$

- *OUTPUT*:  $V(t, y)$

# Backward loop

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(T+1, z) &= 0 \xrightarrow{T, y_j} V(T, y_j) \quad \forall y_j \\
 &= \inf_{z, a, v} P_a(T-1)a - P_v(T-1)v \\
 &\quad \text{s.t. } z = y_j - d(T) + a - v \in [0, x_{\max}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\simeq \alpha_{0,T} + \alpha_{1,T}y_j + \alpha_{2,T}y_j^2$$

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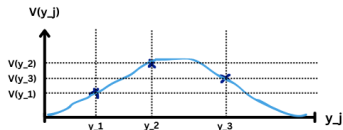
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$$t, y, (\alpha_{0,t}, \alpha_{1,t}, \alpha_{2,t})$$

↓  
 $V(t, y)$  Found while minimizing  
 also the next costs  $V(t+1, z)$

# Non-deterministic demand

What changes when the demand is random?

# Random demand

## Random demand and decision process.

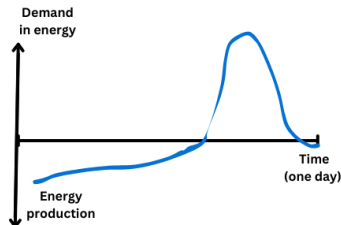
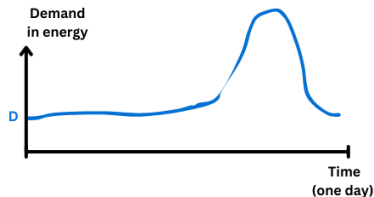
Two additional difficulties:

- The demand  $d(t)$  is **random**.
- No available **mathematical model** for  $d(t)$ .

## Adaptativity of the decision process.

- At the beginning of the time interval 1,  $d(1)$  is revealed.
- Then: decision of the variables  $a(1)$  and  $v(1)$ .
- At the beginning of the time interval 2,  $d(2)$  is revealed.
- Then: decision of the variables  $a(2)$  et  $v(2)$ .
- Etc.

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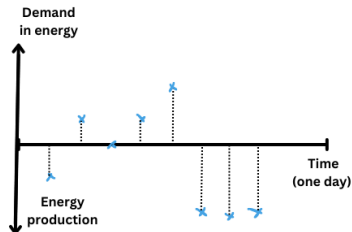
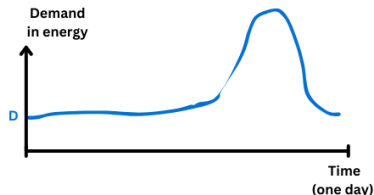
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We suppose that the demands  $d(1), d(2), \dots, d(T)$ , are  $T$  random variables. We can try to find **time correlations** between them if they have a temporal dependence in average, and try to identify the probability distribution of each random variable.

→ For that, we now consider that we have access to other demand scenarios from previous days.

Autoregressive (AR) Models: Models where the current value depends linearly on its past values.



How do we construct and evaluate our statistical model?  
→ Control strategies



# Previous scenarios

**Controls.** Decision variables that we can adjust to minimize the cost function

- $a(s)$
- $v(s)$

We call **demand scenario** a vector  $(D(s))_{s=1,\dots,T}$ .

Two set of scenarios are available:

- **Training set**  $D_T$ : history of  $N_T$  demand scenarios.  
Used to **build** a probabilistic model for the demand and an appropriate *control strategy*.
- **Test (or Simulation) set**  $D_S$ : history of  $N_S$  demand scenarios.  
Used to **test** the probabilistic model and the controls choice. Avoid to build biased strategies.

# Control strategies

## Online and offline phases.

We compute the decision variables in two steps.

1. **Offline phase.** We compute a variable  $\mathcal{I}$  which synthesizes all the available information, depending only on  $D_T$  and the global parameters  $(x_{\max}, P_a, P_v)$ . For example,  $\mathcal{I}$  can contain **statistical data for  $D_T$**  and coefficients describing some value function (see after autoregressive processes).
2. **Online phase.** Given a demand scenario  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{T+T_0}$  (in  $D_T$ ), the buying and selling decisions are taken at any time  $s = 1, \dots, T$  with the help of some function  $\phi$  in the following way:

$$(a(s), v(s)) = \phi\left(s, x(1), \dots, x(s), D(1), \dots, D(T_0 + s), \mathcal{I}\right).$$

# Control strategies

We call **control strategy** the pair  $(\mathcal{I}, \phi)$ .

For example,  $\phi$  can be the function that returns  $(a(s), v(s))$  while minimizing the cost  $J(x, a, v) = \sum_{s=1}^T (P_a(s)a(s) - P_v(s)v(s))$

*Remarks.*

- **Feasibility.** The function  $\phi$  must be such that

$$x(s+1) = x(s) + a(s) - v(s) - D(T_0 + s) \in [0, x_{\max}],$$

for any possible demand scenario.

- The mechanism is **non-anticipative**. At time  $s$ , we only use the revealed values of the demand (those until time  $s$ ) and our a priori knowledge of the demand process, represented by the  $\mathcal{I}$ .

# Control strategies

## Cost and evaluation of a control strategy.

- Let us fix  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\phi$ . Given a demand scenario  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{T+T_0}$ , we denote

$$J_{\mathcal{I},\phi}(D) = \sum_{s=1}^T \left( P_a(s)a(s) - P_v(s)v(s) \right),$$

where  $(a(s))_{s=1,\dots,T}$  and  $(v(s))_{s=1,\dots,T}$  are computed by

$$(a(s), v(s)) = \phi\left(s, x(1), \dots, x(s), D(1), \dots, D(T_0 + s), \mathcal{I}\right).$$

- We set

$$J_{\mathcal{I},\phi} = \frac{1}{N_S} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} J_{\mathcal{I},\phi}(D_S(\ell, \cdot)).$$

This number measure the efficiency of the strategy. Remember that the history  $D_S$  is used only for evaluating the control strategy.

# Control strategies

We program a control strategy in three steps:

- **Offline phase:** we program  $\mathcal{I}$ .  
We use  $D_T$ .
- **Online phase:** we program  $\phi$  and  $J_{\mathcal{I},\phi}$ .  
We use  $\mathcal{I}$ .
- **Evaluation phase:** we evaluate  $J_{\mathcal{I},\phi}$ .  
We use  $J_{\mathcal{I},\phi}$  and  $D_S$ .

Evaluation of control strategies with no apriori knowledge of  $D_T$ :

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# Control strategies

## A lower bound for the cost

Given a demand scenario  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{T+T_0}$ , we denote  $J_{\text{anti}}(D)$  the optimal cost obtained, assuming that  $D$  is entirely known. We denote

$$J_{\text{anti}} = \frac{1}{N_S} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_S} J_{\text{anti}}(D_S(\ell, \cdot)).$$

The number  $J_{\text{anti}}$  is a lower bound for the evaluation cost of any (feasible and non-anticipative) strategy.

### Exercise 6

Write a function `lower_bound` which computes  $J_{\text{anti}}$ . To this purpose, use the functions already written in exercise 1. Pay attention to the shifting of time indices.

# Autoregressive process

## Shifting of the time index.

The two available histories of demand scenarios contain  $T_0$  values of the demand from the “previous day”, corresponding to the time intervals  $0, -1, -2, \dots, -(T_0 - 1)$ . They can be used to approximate any other time  $t$

**On the computer:** a demand scenario is a vector of size  $T + T_0$ . The training and simulation sets are matrices with  $(T + T_0)$  columns and respectively  $N_T$  and  $N_S$  rows.

We “get access” to the demand at time  $t$ , for the scenario  $\ell$  with

$$D_T(\ell, t + T_0) \quad D_S(\ell, t + T_0).$$



# Control strategies

## 1. The naive strategy.

- Offline phase:  $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . We do not exploit  $D_T$ .
- Online phase: at time  $s$ , given the demand  $d(s)$ , we chose

$$(a(s), v(s)) = \begin{cases} (d(s), 0), & \text{si } d(s) \geq 0, \\ (0, -d(s)), & \text{si } d(s) \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

### Exercise 7

Verify that the naive strategy is non-anticipative and feasible. Write a function `naive_online` which computes the decision variables and the cost associated with a demand scenario (given in input). Write a function `naive_eval` which computes the cost of the cost of the strategy.

# Control strategies

## 2. The reasonable strategy

- Offline phase:  $\mathcal{I} = \emptyset$ . Again, we do not exploit  $D_T$ .
- Online phase: at time  $s$ , given the demand  $d(s)$  and the state of charge  $x(s)$ :
  - if  $d(s) \geq 0$ : we dip into the reserve  $x(s)$  and we buy electricity if  $d(s) \geq x(s)$ .
  - If  $d(s) \leq 0$ : we stock energy in the battery as much as possible; if  $d(s) \leq x(s) - x_{\max}$ , the surplus is sold.

### Exercise 8

Verify that the strategy is non-anticipative and feasible. Write two function `raisonnable_online` and `raisonnable_eval` implementing and testing this strategy.

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# Autoregressive processes

## Generalities.

### Compute $\mathcal{I}$ offline.

- We look for a stochastic model describing **faithfully** the evolution of the demand with respect to time.
- This model should be of **reasonable complexity**, so that it can be exploited numerically.
- We are interested in **autoregressive processes**, for which an approach by dynamic programming can be implemented.

For a time  $t$ , we do not have access to demand  $d(t+1), \dots, d(T)$  that we are going to approximate with  $\mathcal{I}$ .

# Autoregressive processes

**Generalities.**

**Offline phase of the control strategy:** we program  $\mathcal{I}$ .

We use  $D_T$ .

# Autoregressive processes

**Numerical approximation.** We propose the following method to approximate an autoregressive process  $d(t)$  of order  $I$ . We proceed in two steps:

- For all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , compute the solution  $(\bar{\gamma}, \bar{\beta}_1, \dots, \bar{\beta}_I)$  to

$$\inf_{\gamma, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_I \in \mathbb{R}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{N_T} \left( D_T(\ell, t + T_0) - \left( \gamma + \sum_{i=1}^I \beta_i D_T(\ell, t + T_0 - i) \right) \right)^2$$

We set  $\gamma(t) = \bar{\gamma}$ ,  $\beta_1(t) = \bar{\beta}_1, \dots, \beta_I(t) = \bar{\beta}_I$ .

- We sample the variable  $\varepsilon(t, \ell)$ , given by

$$\varepsilon(\ell, t) = D_T(\ell, t + T_0) - \left( \gamma(t) + \sum_{i=1}^I \beta_i(t) D_T(\ell, t + T_0 - i) \right).$$

# Autoregressive processes

## Definition

We call white noise a sequence of independent random variables  $(\varepsilon(t))_{t=1,\dots}$  with null expectation.

## Definition

We call the process  $d(t)$  an autoregressive process of order  $I \in \mathbb{N}$  if there exist deterministic coefficients  $\gamma(t), \beta_1(t), \dots, \beta_I(t)$  and a white noise  $(\varepsilon(t))_t$  such that:

$$d(t) = \gamma(t) + \beta_1(t)d(t-1) + \dots + \beta_I(t)d(t-I) + \varepsilon(t).$$

→ Allows us to approximate any demand from the previous ones.

# Autoregressive processes

## Processes of order 0.

- Construction of  $\mathcal{I}$  = the coefficients

We suppose that the demands  $d(1), d(2), \dots, d(T)$ , are  $T$  **independent** random variables. Thus we do not need to identify any correlation between them, but we need to identify the probability distribution of each random variable.

Given  $t$ , we approximate  $d(t)$  with a random variable which can take  $N_E$  different values with probability  $p := 1/N_E$ . These values are obtained by **sampling**.

$$d(t) = \gamma(t) + \varepsilon(t).$$

- Evaluation of  $\mathcal{I}$

We test the quality of  $\gamma$  by computing  $\varepsilon$  with  $D_S$  or the averaged cost.



# Autoregressive processes

## Sampling.

Let  $d(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_T}$  be a given vector, that we need to sample with  $N_E$  values. The result of the procedure is a vector  $\gamma(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_E}$ .

- To simplify, we will assume that  $q := N_T/N_E$  is an integer.
- Let  $\tilde{d}(t)$  be the vector obtained by sorting the values of  $d(t)$ , from the smallest value to the largest one.
- We define  $\gamma(t)$  as follows:

$$\gamma(t, 1) = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{\ell=1}^q \tilde{d}(t, \ell), \quad \gamma(t, 2) = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{\ell=q+1}^{2q} \tilde{d}(t, \ell), \quad \dots$$

$$\gamma(t, N_E) = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{\ell=N_T-q+1}^{N_T} \tilde{d}(t, \ell).$$

# Autoregressive processes

## Exercise 9

- Write a fonction `sample` realising the sampling of an arbitrary vector  $h$  in  $N_E$  values. Use the function `sort` of Python.
- Write a function `sample_training_set` with output a matrix  $E \in \mathbb{R}^{N_E \times T}$  such that each column contains the sampled values of the vectors

$$D_T(:, T_0 + 1), \quad D_T(:, T_0 + 2), \dots \quad D_T(:, T_0 + T).$$

# Autoregressive processes

## Exercise 10

Write a function `auto_reg_1` realizing the approximation of  $d(t)$  as an autoregressive process of order 1

Output variables:  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^T$ ,  $\beta_1 \in \mathbb{R}^T$ ,  $E \in \mathbb{R}^{N_E \times T}$ .

*Optional.* Write a function `auto_reg` which realizes the approximation of  $d(t)$  by an autoregressive process of arbitrary order (given as input variable).

# Autoregressive processes

## Predictive model: $\Phi$

*Phase offline.* Approximation of  $d(t)$  with an autoregressive process of order 1, with the help of coefficients  $\gamma$  and  $\beta_1$ .

*Phase online.* Let  $t$  be the current time step. Let  $x_t$  denote the current state-of-charge of the battery and let  $d_t$  denote the demand at time  $t$  (e.g.  $d_t = D_S(t)$ ).

1. Prediction. Compute  $(D_p(s))_{s=t,\dots,T}$  as follows:

$$D_p(t) = d_t,$$

$$D_p(t+1) = \gamma(t+1) + \beta_1(t+1)D_p(t),$$

$$D_p(t+2) = \gamma(t+2) + \beta_1(t+2)D_p(t+1),$$

...

$$D_p(T) = \gamma(T) + \beta_1(T)D_p(T-1).$$

# Predictive method

2. Optimization. We solve  $V(t, x_t)$ :

$$\inf_{\substack{x(t), \dots, x(T+1) \\ a(t), \dots, a(T) \\ v(t), \dots, v(T)}} \sum_{s=t}^T P_a(s)a(s) - P_v(s)v(s)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \begin{cases} x(s+1) = x(s) + a(s) - v(s) - D_p(s), & s = t, \dots, T \\ x(t) = x_t \\ a(s) \geq 0, & s = t, \dots, T \\ v(s) \geq 0, & s = t, \dots, T \\ 0 \leq x(s) \leq x_{\max}, & s = t, \dots, T \end{cases}$$

Let  $\bar{x}(t), \dots, \bar{x}(T+1)$ ,  $\bar{a}(t), \dots, \bar{a}(T)$ ,  $\bar{v}(t), \dots, \bar{v}(T)$  be a solution. We take:

$$a(t) = \bar{a}(t), \quad v(t) = \bar{v}(t).$$

# Predictive method

## Exercise 11

Implement the predictive method described above.

### Remarks

Overfitting! Increase the order does not mean that the approximation will necessarily be more precise. For noisy data, a small order is often preferred to avoid modelling the noise.

Instead of time-dependent coefficients, we could have taken  $\gamma, \beta_1 \dots \beta_l \in \mathbb{R}$ .

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# Dynamic programming

## Case of an autoregressive process of order 0.

We suppose that the demande  $d(t)$  is described by an autoregressive process of order 0, that is, all the random variables  $d(1), \dots, d(T)$  are independent.

We suppose that a matrix  $(D(j, t))_{\substack{j=1, \dots, N_E \\ t=1, \dots, T}}$  is given and that

$$\mathbb{P}[d(t) = D(j, t)] = \frac{1}{N_E},$$

for all  $j = 1, \dots, N_E$  and for all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ .



# Dynamic programming

From now on, we need to work with two value functions:

- $V(t, x)$ : the expectation of the optimal cost (from  $t$  to  $T$ ), with initial state-of-charge  $x$  at time  $t$ , before the demand  $d(t)$  is revealed.
- $\tilde{V}(t, x, d_t)$ : the expectation of the optimal cost (from  $t$  to  $T$ ), with initial state-of-charge  $x$  at time  $t$ , conditionally to  $d(t) = d_t$ .

# Dynamic programming

## Theorem

The following holds true.

- For all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,  $V(T+1, x) = 0$ .
- For all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , for all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,

$$V(t, x) = \frac{1}{N_E} \sum_{j=1}^{N_E} \tilde{V}(t, x, D(j, t)).$$

- For all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , for all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,

$$\tilde{V}(t, x, d) = \inf_{(z, a, v) \in \mathbb{R}^3} P_a(t)a - P_v(t)v + V(t+1, z), \quad (DP(t, x, d))$$

$$\text{sous la contrainte : } \begin{cases} z = x + a - v - d, \\ 0 \leq z \leq x_{\max}, \\ a \geq 0, v \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

# Dynamic programming

*Phase offline:* numerical approximation of  $V(\cdot, \cdot)$ .

The mechanism is similar to the one seen in the deterministic framework.

Let  $t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$ . Let us suppose  $V(t+1, \cdot)$  that is known and represented as a polynomial function.

- We calculate  $\tilde{V}(t, x_j, D(k, t))$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, J$  and for all  $k = 1, \dots, N_E$ , by solving  $(DP(t, x_j, D(k, t)))$ .
- We calculate  $V(t, x_j)$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, J$ .
- We approximate the full function  $V(t, \cdot)$  by approximation.

*Phase online :* at time  $t$ , when the demand  $d(t)$  has been revealed, we solve  $(DP(t, x, d))$ , with  $x$  the current state-of-charge at time  $t$  and  $d = d(t)$ .

# Dynamic programming

## Exercise 12

Implement the control strategy induced by the dynamic programming principle with the auto-regressive model of order zero.

# Dynamic programming

## Case of a first-order autoregressive process.

We suppose that the demand  $d(t)$  is described by a first-order autoregressive process, that is:

$$d(t) = \gamma(t) + \beta_1(t)d(t-1) + \varepsilon(t),$$

where  $(\varepsilon(t))_{t=1,\dots,T}$  is a white noise.

We suppose that a matrix  $(E(k, t))_{\substack{k=1,\dots,N_E \\ t=1,\dots,T}}$  is given and

$$\mathbb{P}[\varepsilon(t) = E(k, t)] = \frac{1}{N_E},$$

for all  $k = 1, \dots, N_E$ , and for all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ .

# Dynamic programming

We consider two value functions:

- $V(t, x, d_{t-1})$ : the optimal expected cost (from  $t$  to  $T$ ), with state-of-charge  $x$  at time  $t$ , knowing that  $d(t-1) = d_{t-1}$ , before that  $d(t)$  is revealed.
- $\tilde{V}(t, x, d_t)$ : the optimal expected cost, with state-of-charge  $x$  at time  $t$ , knowing that  $d(t) = d_t$ .

# Dynamic programming

## Theorem

The following holds true.

- For all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,  $V(T+1, x, d_T) = 0$ .
- For all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , for all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,

$$V(t, x, d_{t-1}) = \frac{1}{N_E} \sum_{k=1}^{N_E} \tilde{V}(t, x, \gamma(t) + \beta_1(t)d_{t-1} + E(k, t)).$$

- For all  $t = 1, \dots, T$ , for all  $x \in [0, x_{\max}]$ ,

$$\tilde{V}(t, x, d_t) = \inf_{(z, a, v) \in \mathbb{R}^3} P_a(t)a - P_v(t)v + V(t+1, z, d_t),$$

$$\text{subject to: } \begin{cases} z = x + a - v - d_t, \\ 0 \leq z \leq x_{\max}, \\ a \geq 0, v \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad (DP(t, x, d_t))$$

# Dynamic programming

*Remark.* The value function (at time  $t$ ) depends on two variables. We can seek for an approximation with a second-order polynomial of the form:

$$V(t, x, d_{t-1}) = \alpha_1(t) + \alpha_2(t)x + \alpha_3(t)d_{t-1} \\ + \alpha_4(t)x^2 + \alpha_5(t)xd_{t-1} + \alpha_6(t)d_{t-1}^2.$$



# Dynamic programming

## Autoregressive Processus of order 0 vs 1

	AR 0	AR 1
Formula	$d(t) = \gamma(t)$	$d(t) = \gamma(t) + \beta(t)d(t-1) + \varepsilon(t)$
Variability	No time relation	Linear dependance in time + white noise
Sampling	Size $N_E \times T$ , $P = 1/N_E$	Generation of $N_E$ trajectories with noise
Computing $V(t, y)$	Average over $N_E$ values of $d(t)$	Interpolation over all the $N_E$ trajectories
Interpolation	Grid of $y_j$	Grid of $y_j$ and $d_k(t)$