# LP Optimization: Industrial Cogeneration Operation

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## Introduction

### **Cogeneration Plant:**

- Also called Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
- Produce Superheated Steam of Varying Pressures to Supply Industrial and Other Processes
- Steam is Produced By Large Industrial Boilers from Combustion of Fuels
  - Biomass (Saw Dust, Bark, Corn Cobbs, Peanut Shells....)
  - Fossil Fuels (Natural Gas, Fuel Oils, Coal)
- Steam is Generated at Higher than Required Pressure and Then Stepped-Down Through A Steam Turbine Generator to Produce Electrical Power

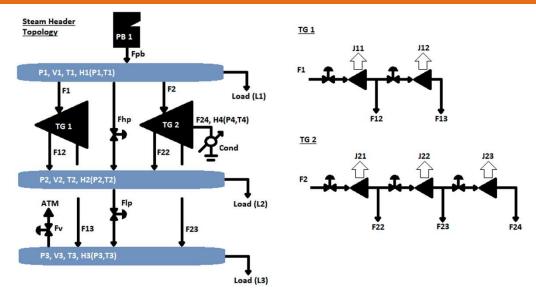
### **Kendall Square Cogeneration Station**

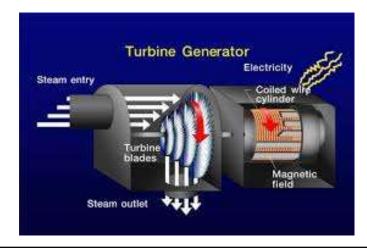


## Introduction

### **Header System:**

- Equipment
  - Distribution Headers
  - Industrial Boiler (Steam Producer)
  - Turbine Generators
  - Condenser
  - Pressure Reducing Valves
  - Steam Vent Valve
- Superheated Steam Enters Turbine and Is Run Across Fins to Rotate a Coil of Wire In a Magnetic Field Producing Current
- TG1 has 2 Sets of Fins (called generating sections)
- TG2 has 3 Sets and a Condenser

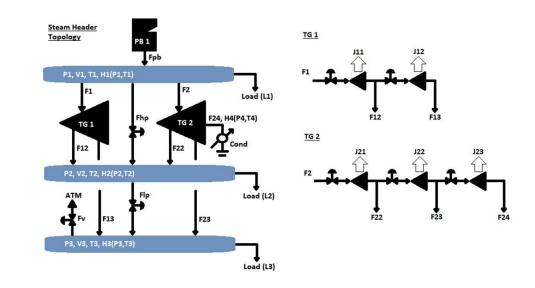




## **Problem Statement**

# Physical System Requirements and Optimization:

- Mass Balance
  - Steam Flows at All Nodes (Headers and Forks in Path) Must Sum to Zero
- Energy Balance
  - Energy (Enthalpy Flows) must Sum to Zero at all Nodes
- Process Requirements
  - Steam Users Must Receive Required Steam
  - Equipment Design Limits Must be Obeyed or the Equipment will Fail
- Optimization:
  - Choose the Best Path for Steam to Supply all Users and Obey Equipment Limits While Producing the Most Electricity Possible

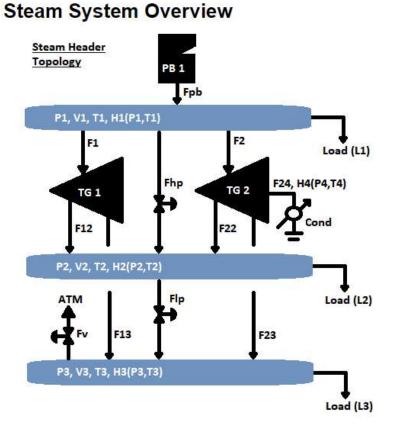


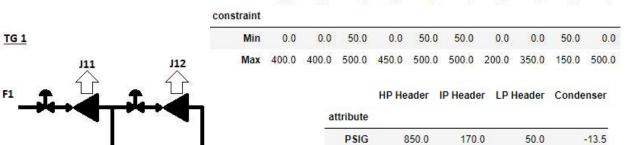


Steam Pipe Failure, New York; Hydroelectric Turbine Failure, Russia

## **Process Model and Constraints**







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BTU/LB

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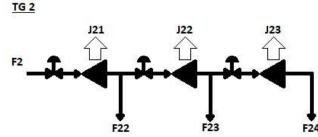
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 $P_i$  = Steam Pressures [psig]

 $T_i$  = Steam Temperatures [ ${}^oF$ ]

 $H_i$  = Steam Specific Enthalpies [btullb]

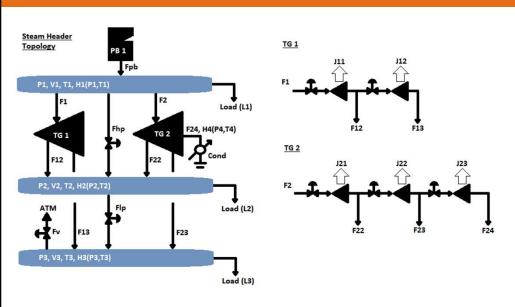
 $J_{ik}$  = Generator Section Electricity Productions [ MW]

 $F_{PB}$ ,  $F_{HP}$ ,  $F_{LP}$  = Power Boiler, HP Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV), & LP PRV Mass Flows [kpph]

 $F_1$ ,  $F_{12}$ ,  $F_{13}$  = TG1 Steam Mass Flows [kpph]

 $F_2, F_{22}, F_{23}, F_{24}$  = TG2 Steam Mass Flows  $\left[kpph\right]$ 

## **Process Model and Constraints**



### **Equipment Limits/Inequality Constraints**

$ \begin{aligned} -F_{HP} &\leq -F_{HP,min} \\ F_{HP} &\leq F_{HP,max} \end{aligned} $	$(F_{HP} \text{ min})$ $(F_{HP} \text{ max})$
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$$-F_{2} \leq -F_{2,min} \qquad (F_{2} \text{ min})$$

$$F_{2} \leq F_{2,max} \qquad (F_{2} \text{ max})$$

$$-F_{22} \leq -F_{22,min} \qquad (F_{22} \text{ min})$$

$$F_{22} \leq F_{22,max} \qquad (F_{22} \text{ min})$$

$$-F_{23} \leq -F_{23,min} \qquad (F_{23} \text{ min})$$

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$$-F_{24} \leq -F_{24,min} \qquad (F_{24} \text{ min})$$

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$$-F_{V} \leq -F_{V,min} \qquad (F_{V} \text{ min})$$

$$F_{V} \leq F_{V,max} \qquad (F_{V} \text{ max})$$

### Mass Balances / Equality Constraints

$$F_{PB} - F_1 - F_2 - F_{HP} - F_{L1} = 0 (HP)$$

$$F_{12} + F_{22} + F_{HP} - F_{LP} - F_{L2} = 0 (IP)$$

$$F_{13} + F_{23} + F_{LP} - F_V - F_{L3} = 0 (LP)$$

$$F_1 - F_{12} - F_{13} = 0 (TG1)$$

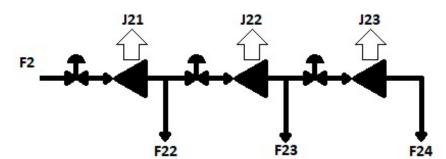
$$F_2 - F_{22} - F_{23} - F_{24} = 0 (TG2)$$

Consider  $F_{PB}$ ,  $F_{L1}$ ,  $F_{L2}$ ,  $F_{L3}$  as constants for a given operational scenario, then:

## **Process Model and Constraints**

## **Energy Balance for Objective Function**

### TG 2



### **Electrical Production/Objective Function**

$$J_{11} = F_1(H_1 - H_2)$$

$$J_{12} = F_{13}(H_2 - H_3)$$

$$J_{21} = F_2(H_1 - H_2)$$

$$J_{22} = (F_2 - F_{22})(H_2 - H_3)$$

$$J_{23} = F_{24}(H_3 - H_4)$$

### Maximize

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 0, & 0, & (H_1 - H_2), & 0, & (H_2 - H_3), & (H_1 - H_3), & (H_3 - H_2), & 0, & (H_3 - H_4), & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So the Problem Statement in Canonical Form is:

### **Minimize**

$$-J = -\sum_{i}\sum_{k}J_{i,k}$$

### Subject To

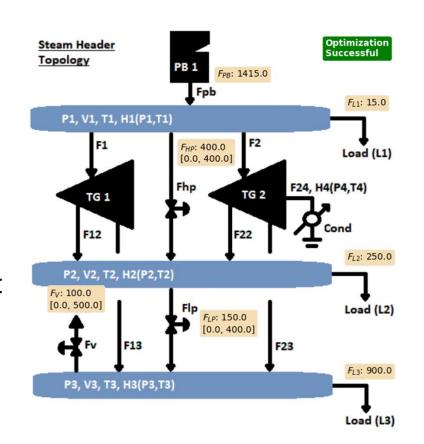
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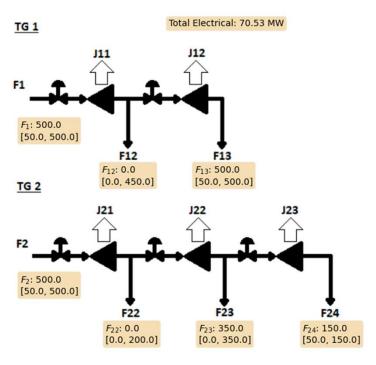
**Equipment Limits/Inequality Constraints** 

## Results

### **LP Solution:**

- J23 is Most
   Efficient so TG's
   are Loaded to
   Send Max Steam
   Through to
   Condenser
- An Overall Excess of Steam is Produced, So Vent is Open
- Low Press
   Extraction is at
   Max so F\_LP PRV
   is Open

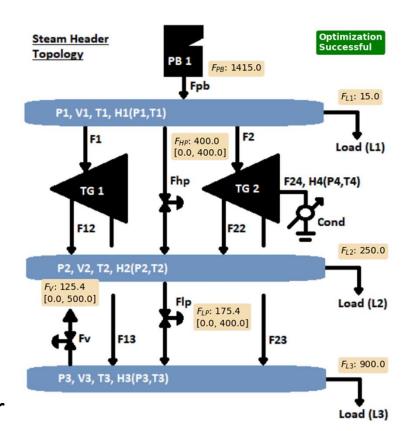


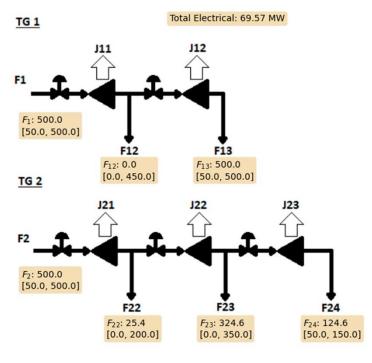


## Results

# Slightly Off LP Solution:

- Steam Moved From Condenser to Vent
- Slight Redirection of Extractions and PRV's
- Results in Loss of ~1 MW
- Worth ~ \$400K per year





LP Solution MegaWatts: 70.528 Off Solution MegaWatts: 69.574

Lost Revenue Per Year: \$400,558.18

## Conclusion

### We Saw...

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### 3. Process Model and Constraints

 Mass and Energy Balances Used to Produce LP Canonical Form

### 4. Results

- LP Optimization and Comparison
- LP Solution Roughly \$400k More Production per Year

### 5. <u>Demo and Questions?</u>

