



# Updates – RESILIENT

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# (OR1) Model characterization and mapping: PyPSA and SMS++

- Mathematical classification of PyPSA and SMS++
- Identification of mapping PyPSA components into SMS++ by aligning
  - Identification of suitable SMS++ Blocks to represent PyPSA components
  - Mathematical expressions of objective values and constraints
  - Meaning of input parameters
  - Objective functions
- Classification of necessary changes to represent selected PyPSA objects in SMS++ (integrated in OR2)
  - Introduction of marginal costs in relevant SMS++ blocks  
DCNetworkBlock, IntermittentUnitBlock, HydroUnitBlock
  - Integration of cycling notation to HydroUnitBlock
  - Introduction of efficiency in DC lines representation (DCNetworkBlock)
  - Introduction of multi-link representation in SMS++
  - Improved support of capacity expansion problems in UCNetworkBlock
  - Support negative loads and negative generators (e.g. SlackUnit and IntermittentUnitBlock)
  - Among others



# (OR1) Model characterization and uncertainties

- Literature analysis on uncertainties
- Investigation of the role of selected uncertainties in model results
  - Methodology for analysis
  - Impact analysis on a selected system within Europe

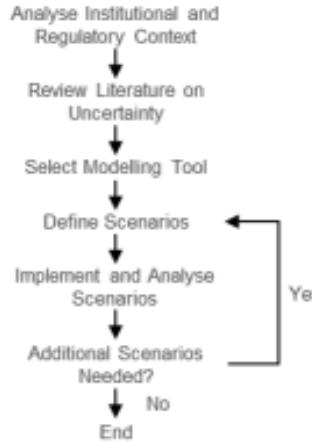


Fig. 1: Flowchart of the proposed framework.

- 1) **LED – Low Electricity Demand:** Annual demand is reduced to 404 TWh, based on the PNIEC-Slow scenario [20], representing a lower level of electrification and slower energy transition.
- 2) **WEO – World Energy Outlook Prices:** Fossil fuel prices are set according to the NZE pathway from the WEO 2024, with significantly lower values than the DE-IT scenario: 12.84 €/MWh for natural gas, 5.56 €/MWh for coal, and 16.90 €/MWh for oil.
- 3) **NCL – Open Nuclear Deployment:** Nuclear technologies are allowed to be installed in all countries, regardless of current national policies or existing infrastructure.
- 4) **BIO – Biomass Expansion:** No upper bound is imposed on biomass deployment, allowing the model to explore its maximum contribution to the energy mix, given the growing relevance of biomass for future scenarios.
- 5) **NOCO2 – Zero Emissions:** A strict constraint is imposed that prevents any CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the power sector. This represents an ambitious and highly idealised target, beyond the scope of Italy's current 2050 decarbonisation plans [20].
- 6) **BIOCO2 – Biomass Expansion under Zero Emissions:** A combination of the BIO and NOCO2 assumptions, to assess the role of biomass as a dispatchable, carbon-neutral technology in a fully decarbonised power system.
- 7) **NCLCO2 – Open Nuclear Deployment under Zero Emissions:** A combination of the NCL and NOCO2 scenarios, exploring the potential role of nuclear energy in achieving a zero-emission system.

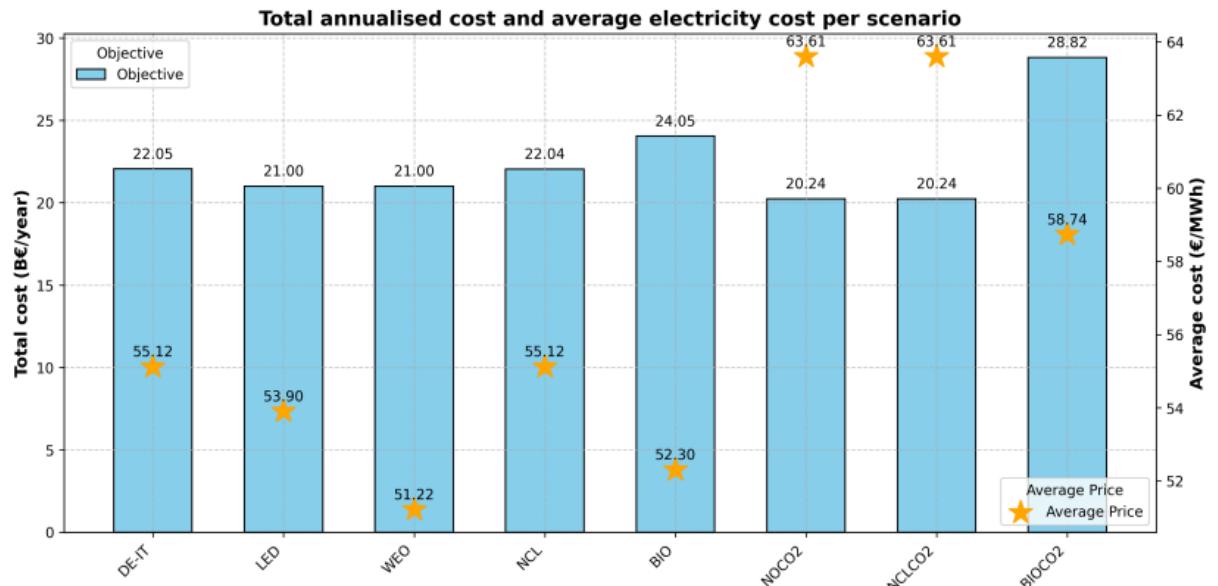


Fig. 6: Optimal total cost (bars) and average electricity cost (stars) for the different scenarios.

# (OR2) SMS++ developments

## Activities done

- Defined ScenarioGenerator, implemented DiscreteScenarioSet and ScenarioReductionSolver
- Finalised development of TwoStageStochasticBlock
- Improved data output: all relevant :Block now have :Solution
- Multi-energy features designed, implemented, tested
- Developed PrimalProximalSolver
- Developed crucial capability in LagBFunction and LagrangianDualSolver (objective changes in sub-Block)
- Added design variables to DCNetworkBlock
- Many bugfixes and minor features added
- Developed CONDA package for ease of integration  
<https://github.com/conda-forge/staged-recipes/pull/29920>

## Planned activities

- Extensive tests of large-scale, stochastic problems with different approaches (off-the-shelf, InvestmentSolver, LagrangianDualSolver) to identify the most appropriate Configuration for each setting
- Development of nested decomposition approaches for two-stage problems
- Analysis of BendersDecompositionSolver
- Analysis of the extension of TwoStageStochasticBlock to Benders' reformulation
- Draft development of MultiStageStochasticBlock
- Analysis of BundleSolver 2.0 (MasterProblemBlock)
- Development of other features as needed by PyPSA



# (OR3) PyPSA – SMS++ interface

## Investigated strategies

### 1. Notebook implementation

[https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp\\_PyPSA](https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp_PyPSA)

### 2. No auxiliary packages

[https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp\\_builder](https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp_builder)

### 3. Auxiliary repositories

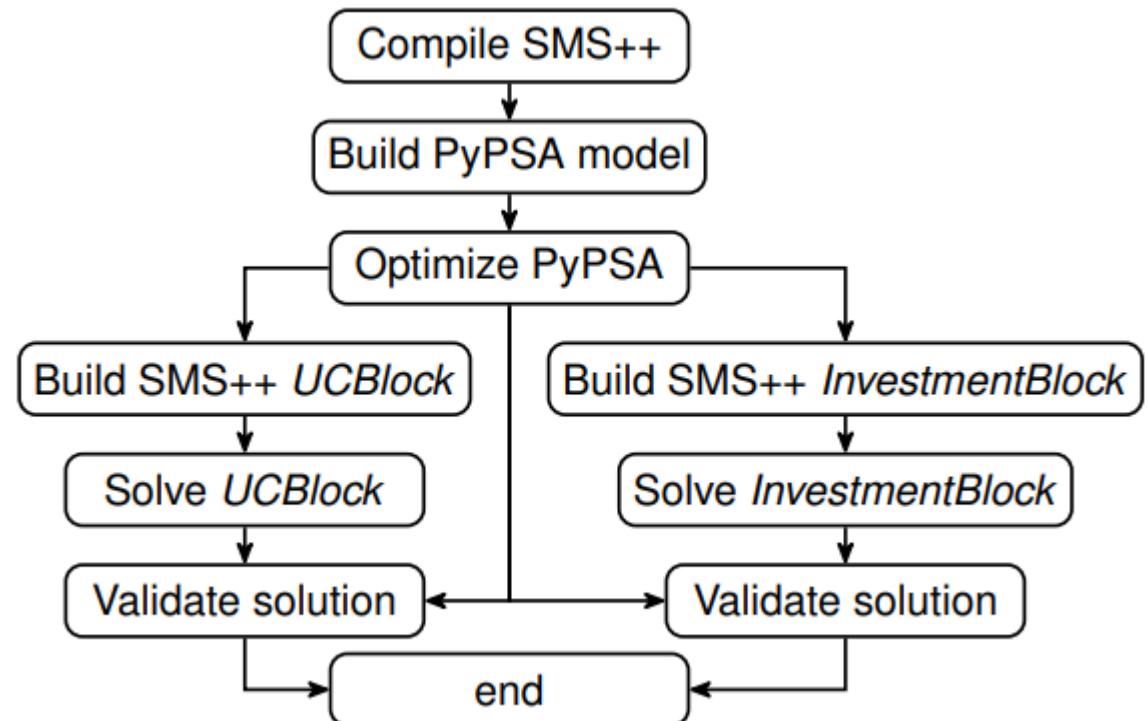
- Python input/output for SMS++

<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/pySMSpy>

- Transformation PyPSA – SMS++

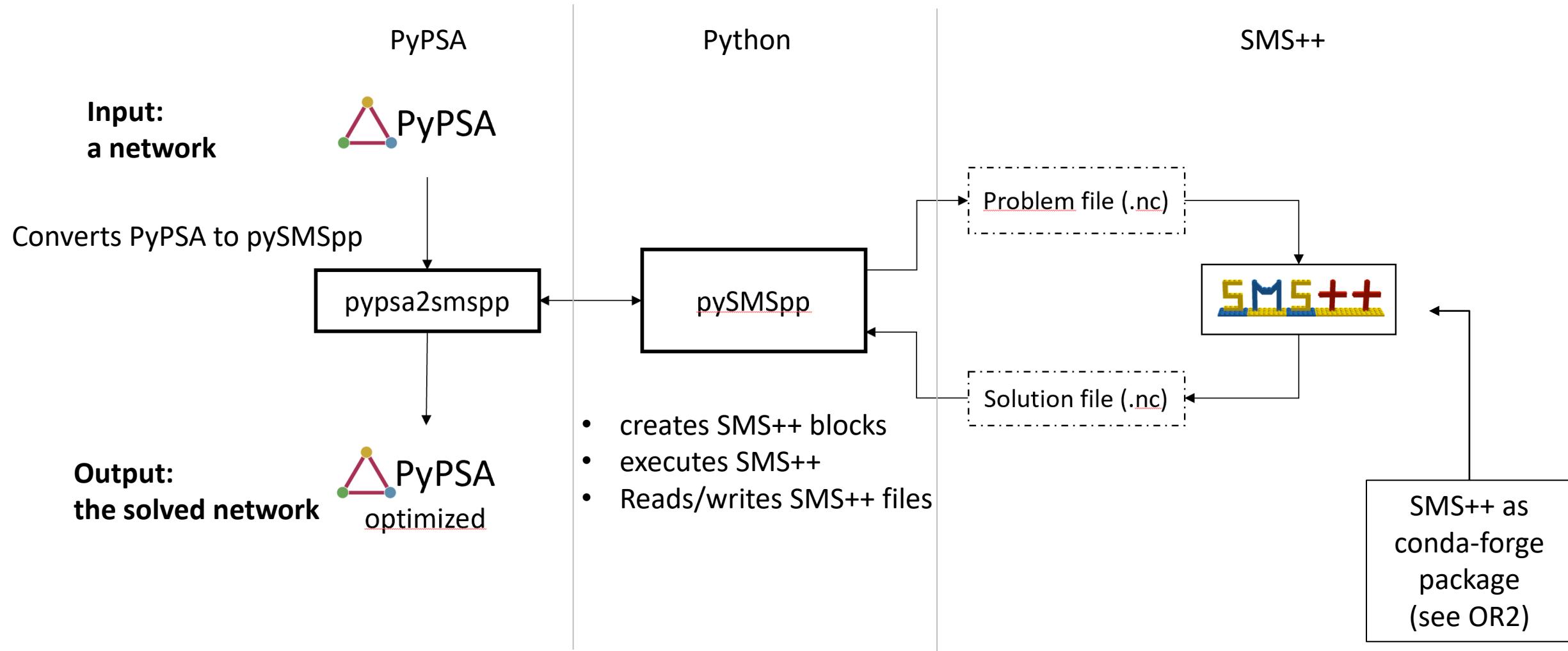
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## Prototype implementation



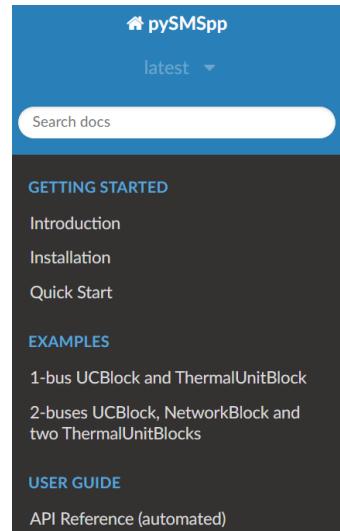
Implemented in [https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp\\_builder](https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp_builder)

# (OR3) PyPSA – SMS++: Proposed interface



# (OR3) pySMSpp

- **Goal:** enable bidirectional interaction with SMS++ through input-output file
- **Structure:** modular structure to represent SMS++ blocks and utilities to save, load and optimize the blocks
- **Installation:** package available in pip
- Includes automated testing using Github Continuous Integration



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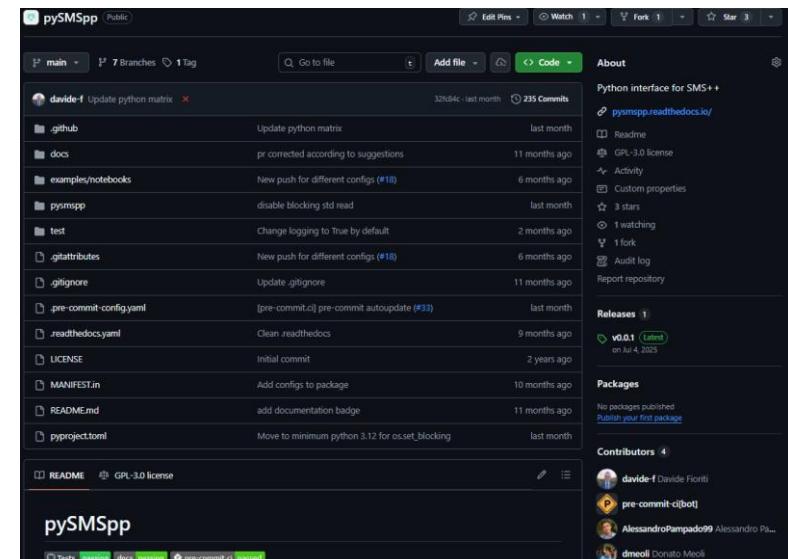
## pySMSpp

pySMSpp is a Python package to interface Structured Modeling System for mathematical models (SMS++) with Python. It provides a basic interface to interact with SMS++ and to perform simulations using SMS++.

## Documentation

### Getting Started

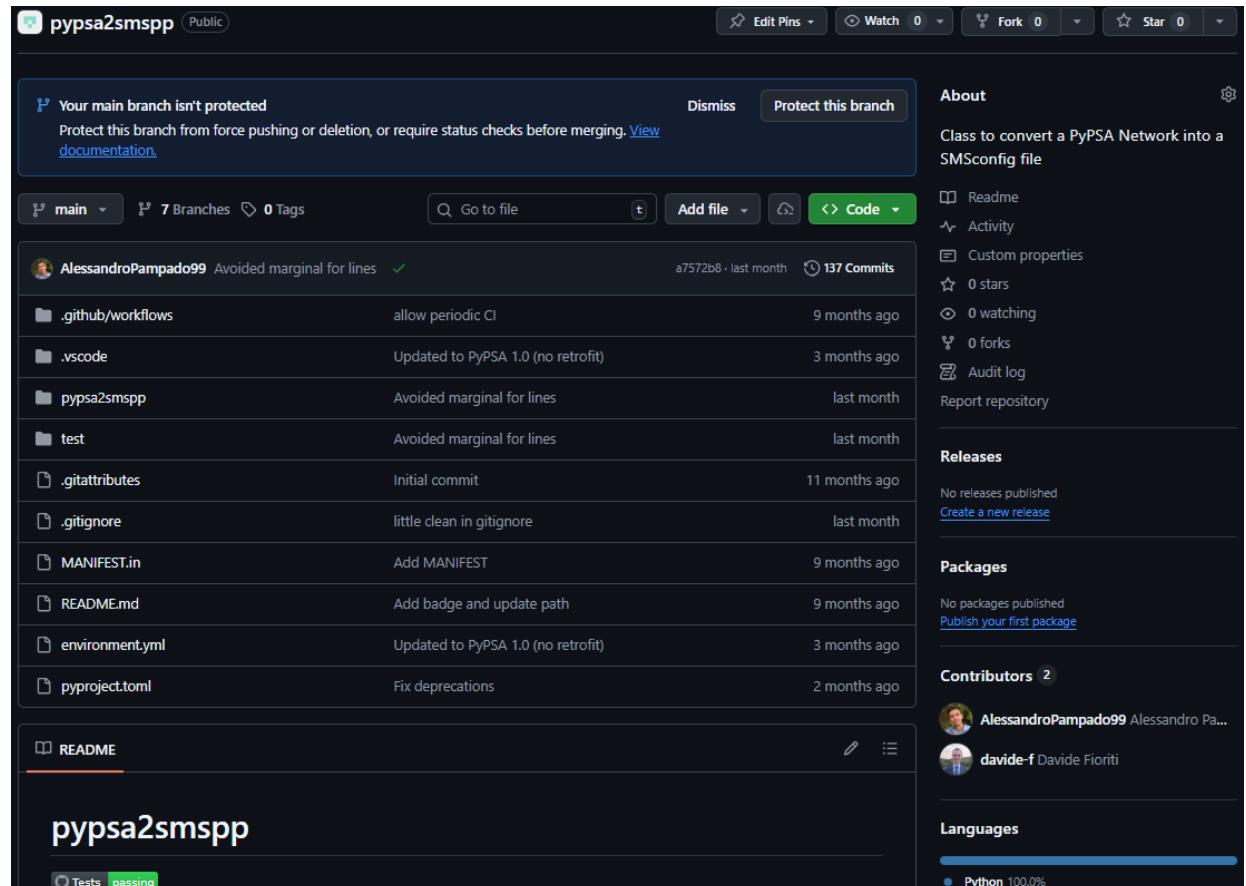
- [Introduction](#)
- [Installation](#)
- [Quick Start](#)



<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/pySMSpp>

## (OR3) pypsa2smspp

- **Goal:** enable bidirectional conversion from a PyPSA object to a pySMSpp object to allow solving a PyPSA network using SMS++
- **Structure:** modular structure to transform PyPSA networks into SMS++ networks, while allowing selected decomposition techniques
- **Installation:** package available in pip
- Includes automated testing using Github Continuous Integration



<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/pypsa2smspp>

# (OR3) SMSpp\_PyPSA repository for investigation and testing

- **Goal:** repository that contains raw implementation and visualization of PyPSA to SMS++ interface
- **Structure:** contains notebooks and scripts for file writing suitable for SMS++ using PyPSA inputs

The screenshot shows the GitHub repository page for `SMSpp_PyPSA`. The repository is public, has 1 branch, and 0 tags. The commit history shows 44 commits from `davide-f`, with the most recent being "Update InvestmentBlock" 7 months ago. Other commits include "Add HVDC test", "Update InvestmentBlock", "remove investment\_candidates", "Update cost assumptions and notes", "Update README", and "Add highspy". The repository structure includes `data`, `notebooks`, `.gitignore`, `Notes.txt`, `README.md`, and `environment.yaml`. The `README` file contains instructions for using the package with SMS++.

**README: how to use this package**

This package is meant to be used with [SMS++](#). In particular, it shall be cloned in a parent folder that contains the compiled `smspp-project` as discussed in the [installation of SMS++](#) or create it.

**Installation**

[https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp\\_PyPSA](https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpp_PyPSA)



# **Previous report on activities 2024**



# Updates on SMS++ – PyPSA interface

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# Model characterization – PyPSA-Eur energy system

- **Mapping of PyPSA-Eur structure**

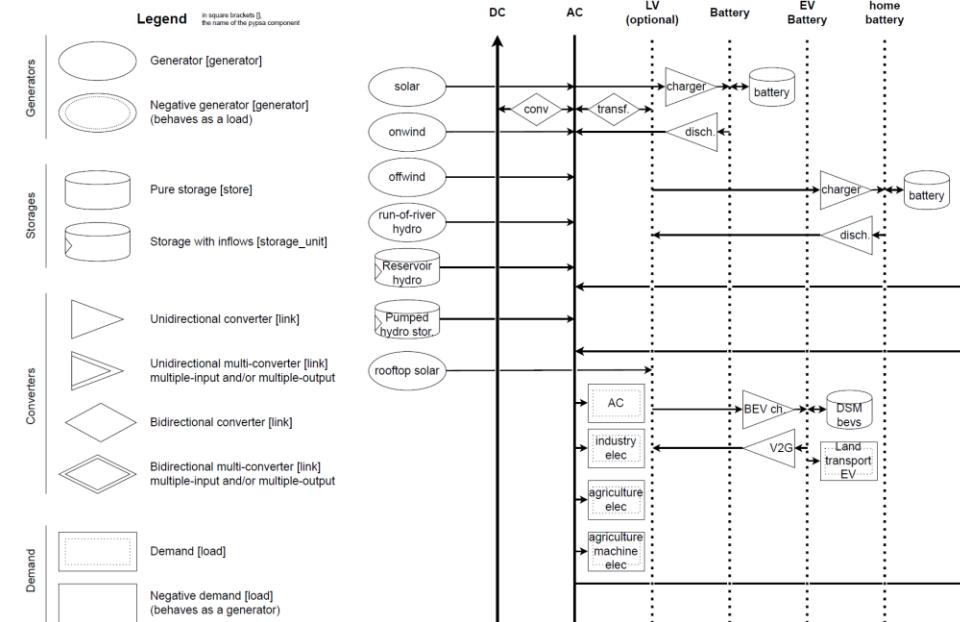
- Carriers
- Technologies and components
- Types of parameters by component

- **Graphical representation:**

- **PyPSA-Symbols-drawio :**  
repository with drawio symbols for PyPSA objects  
<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/PyPSA-symbols-drawio>

- **PyPSA-Eur-drawio:**  
repository with drawio graph for PyPSA-Eur  
<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/PyPSA-Eur-drawio>

A	B	C	D	E
Technology name	Category	Physical compone	Option	Carrier
co2 atmosphere	co2	N		co2
Co2 storage	co2	Y		co2 stored
Sequestration link	co2	N		co2 sequestered
Sequestration store (e.g. underground)	co2	Y/N		co2 sequestered
CO2 vent co2 from storages	co2	?	co2_vent	co2 vent
CO2 pipelines	co2	Y	co2_network	CO2 pipeline
Allam (gas) cycle	electricity	Y	allam	allam
Direct Air Capture	co2	Y	dac	co2
Conventional generators	electricity	Y	conventional_generation	electricity
Haber-Bosch process	ammonia	Y	ammonia	Haber-Bosch
Ammonia cracker	ammonia	Y	ammonia	ammonia cracker
Ammonia storage	ammonia	Y	ammonia	ammonia store
Electricity distribution	electricity	Y	electricity_distribution_grid	low voltage
rooftop solar	electricity	Y	electricity_distribution_grid	solar rooftop



# Model characterization – Mathematical representation

## PyPSA

Objective function	Symbol	Generator	Link	Line	Storage unit	Store
Capital cost	CAP	X	X	X	X	X
Marginal cost	MC	X	X	X	X	X
Marginal cost energy storage	MCE				X	X
Stand-By costs	SB	X	X			
Start up/ shut down cost	SC	X	X			
Spillment costs	SC				X	

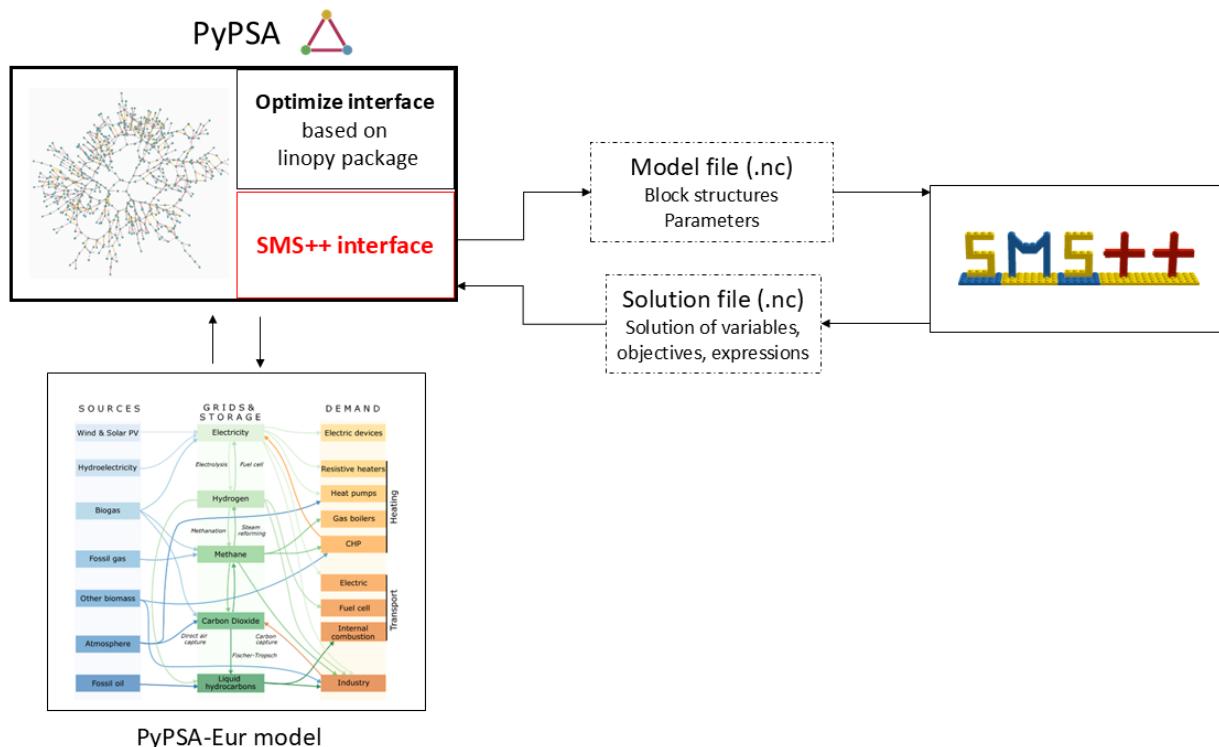
Equation	Symbol	Generator	Link	Line	Storage unit	Store	Condition	Example
Size bound	SB	X	X	X	X	X		$G_{i,r} \leq G_{i,r} \leq \bar{G}_{i,r}$
Modularity	MD	X	X	X	X	X		$\underline{G}_{i,r} = \underline{G}_{i,r}^{\text{mod}} n_{i,r}$
Power bound	PB	X	X	X	X	X		$\underline{g}_{i,r,t} G_{i,r} \leq g_{i,r,t} \leq \bar{g}_{i,r,t} G_{i,r}$
Power unit commitment	PB <sub>UC</sub>	X	X				committable	$\delta_{i,r,t} \underline{g}_{i,r,t} G_{i,r} \leq g_{i,r,t} \leq \delta_{i,r,t} \bar{g}_{i,r,t} G_{i,r}$
Minimum time	MT	X	X					$\sum_{t'=1}^{T_{\text{max}}^{\text{min}}} \delta_{k,t'} \geq T_{\text{min}_{\text{up}}} (\delta_{k,t} - \delta_{k,t-1})$
Total energy produced	PSUM	X	X					$E_{\text{sum}}^{\text{min}} \leq \sum_{t \in T} w_t^G g_{i,r,t} \leq E_{\text{sum}}^{\text{max}}$
Start up/shut down cost	SC	X	X					$suc_{k,t} \geq suc_{k,t} (\delta_{k,t} - \delta_{k,t-1})$
Rump up/down	RUD	X	X					$(g_{i,r,t} - g_{i,r,t-1}) \leq r u_{i,r} G_{i,r}$
Kirchhof's law	KL			X				$\sum_l C_{l,r} x_l p_{l,t} = 0$
Line losses	LL			X				$I_l^{\text{loss}} = \alpha_l + \beta_l p_{l,t}$
Energy storage level	ESL				X	X		$e_{i,s,t} = e_{i,s,t-1} + w_t^S h_{i,s,t}$
Energy storage bound	ESB				X	X		$0 \leq e_{i,s,t} \leq E_{i,s,t}^{\text{max}}$
Initial energy level	IEL <sub>S</sub>				X	X		$e_{i,s,0} = e_{i,s,\text{init}}$
Cyclic energy level	IEL <sub>CS</sub>				X	X	cyclic_state_of_charge	$e_{i,s,0} = e_{i,s,[T]}$

## SMS++

Equation	Symbol	Intermittent	Thermal	Battery	Hydro	DC Network
Maximum reserves power	RMAX	X	X	X	X	
Minimum reserves power	RMIN	X	X	X	X	
Power bound	PB	X				
Power bound unit commitment	PB <sub>UC</sub>	X				
Binary relation	BINR			X		
Binary start-up	BINU			X		
Binary shut-down	BIND			X		
Rump up/down	RUD		X	X	X	
Primary reserves	RPR		X	X		
Secondary reserves	RSC		X	X		
Power bound $\tau = 2$	PB <sub><math>\tau=2</math></sub>		X			
Power bound $\tau = 1$	PB <sub><math>\tau=1</math></sub>		X			
Power balance	PBAL			X		
Power bound discharge	PB <sup>+</sup>			X		
Power bound charge	PB <sup>-</sup>			X		
Power bound discharge unit commitment	PB <sub>UC</sub> <sup>+</sup>			X		
Power bound converter	PBC			X		
Energy storage level	ESL			X		
Energy storage level simplified	ESLS			X		
Energy storage bound	ESB			X		
Energy storage discharge	ESD			X		
Energy storage charge	ESC			X		
Volume bound	VB				X	
Primary reserves turbine	RPR <sub>T</sub>				X	
Primary reserves pump	RPR <sub>P</sub>				X	
Secondary reserves turbine	RSC <sub>T</sub>				X	
Secondary reserves pump	RSC <sub>P</sub>				X	
Power-to-flow function turbine	PTF <sub>T</sub>				X	
Power-to-flow function pump	PTF <sub>P</sub>				X	
Volume level	VL				X	
Power bound DC network	PB <sub>DC</sub>					X
Power bound AC network	PB <sub>AC</sub>					X
Power bound AC-DC network	PB <sub>AC-DC</sub>					X
Network cost	NC					X
Energy balance	EBAL					X

# PyPSA – SMS++ interface

## The goal



## Possible strategies

### 1. Notebook implementation

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### 2. No auxiliary packages

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### 3. Auxiliary repositories

- Python input/output for SMS++  
<https://github.com/SPSUnipi/SMSpy>

- (optionally) transformation PyPSA – SMS++  
[https://github.com/SPSUnipi/PyPSA\\_SMS\\_interface](https://github.com/SPSUnipi/PyPSA_SMS_interface)

# SMSpp\_builder: compile and test SMS++ PyPSA interface

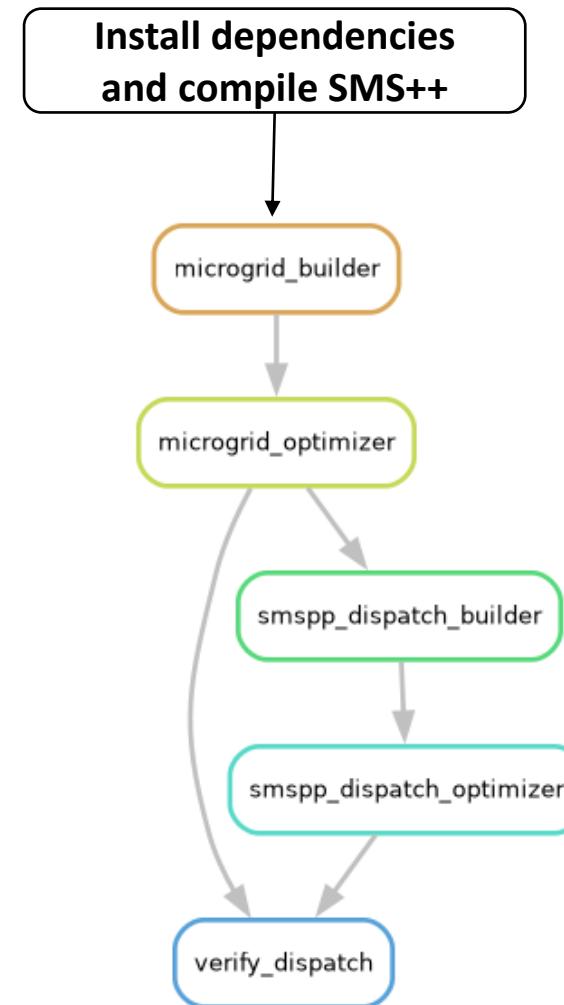
- **Goal:**  
Test compilation and execution of PyPSA - SMS++

- **Automation:**
  - Github Action
  - Snakemake (except installation and compilation)

- **Tested configurations (dispatch analysis)**

Test case	Network [Yes/No]	Nodes [#]	PyPSA components					
			Generator [#]	StorageUnit [#]	Store [#]	Line [#]	Link [#]	Load [#]
1	No	1	1					1
2	No	1	3	2				1
3	Yes	2	1			1		2
4	Yes	5	3	2	1	3	1	4
5	No	2	1		1		1	2

Table 4.1: Test cases of *SMSpp\_builder*



# SMSpp\_builder: compile and test SMS++ PyPSA interface

## CI is successful

← build-linux

✓ build-linux #80

Summary

Jobs

✓ release (ubuntu-latest)

Run details

⌚ Usage

📄 Workflow file

Annotations  
3 warnings

release (ubuntu-latest)  
succeeded 2 hours ago in 36m 59s

- > ✓ Set up job
- > ✓ Run actions/checkout@v4
- > ✓ Setup conda
- > ✓ Conda list
- > ✓ Install basic requirements
- > ✓ Install Boost
- > ✓ Install NetCDF-C++
- > ✓ Install Eigen
- > ✓ Install CPLEX
- > ✓ Install PyPSA

## SMS++ results match PyPSA

```
[Tue Nov 19 18:47:51 2024]
localrule verify_dispatch:
    input: results/networks/microgrid_microgrid_ALL_4N_optimized.nc, result
    output: results/microgrid_microgrid_ALL_4N_complete.txt
    log: logs/verify_dispatch_microgrid_ALL_4N.log
    jobid: 0
    reason: Missing output files: results/microgrid_microgrid_ALL_4N_complete.txt
    resources: tmpdir=/tmp

INFO:pypsa.io:Imported network microgrid_microgrid_ALL_4N_optimized.nc has
INFO:verify_dispatch:SMS++ obj : 19315.875900
INFO:verify_dispatch:PyPSA dispatch obj : 19315.875923
INFO:verify_dispatch:Relative difference SMS++ - PyPSA [%]: -0.00000
INFO:verify_dispatch:Absolute difference SMS++ - PyPSA [€] : -0.00002
INFO:verify_dispatch:Verification successful
Touching output file results/microgrid_ALL_4N_complete.txt.
```

# Ongoing priorities

## Energy system representation

- Finalize PyPSA and SMS++ description
- Define mapping of mathematical representations
- Define key priorities and requirements for RESILIENT
- Implement in SMS++ the key missing options

## Interface

- Integrate Transformers

 Added transformers! 

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- Support capacity expansion problems
- Define software architecture of interface
  - Notebook implementation (discarded)
  - No auxiliary packages (not recommended)
  - Auxiliary packages
    - comprehensive PyPSA-SMS++ conversion package
    - Python SMS++ input/output package
    - PyPSA-SMS++ conversion repository or PyPSA integration
- Support more parameters and functionalities

# SMS++ developments

## Activities done

- Enhanced installation file by a single bash file:
  - INSTALL.sh in Mac/Ubuntu  
<https://gitlab.com/smspp/smspp-project/-/blob/develop/INSTALL.sh>
  - INSTALL.ps1 for windows  
<https://gitlab.com/smspp/smspp-project/-/blob/develop/INSTALL.ps1>
- Development of [MultiStage]ScenarioGenerator
- Initial development of TwoStageStochasticBlock
- Handling of quadratic constraints in MILPSolver
- Integration of AC load flow  
<https://gitlab.com/smspp/ucblock/-/blob/develop/src/ACNetworkBlock.cpp>
- Bug fixing
- Preliminary investigation of Multi-Energy design

## Planned activities

- Define / implement OptimalTransportBlock and OptimalTransportSolver [scenario reduction, Q3 2025]
- Finalise development of TwoStageStochasticBlock [goal functional draft by Q1-Q2 2025]
- Improve data output [to support interface]
- Multi-energy design [After M18]
- Improve BundleSolver [decomposition]
- Develop PrimalProximalSolver [integer decomposition]
- Bug fixing:
  - InvestmentBlock solver for investment analyses
  - Hydro issue with storing capabilities
- Feature inclusions to adapt to RESILIENT needs