
Modeling Decentralized Electricity Markets

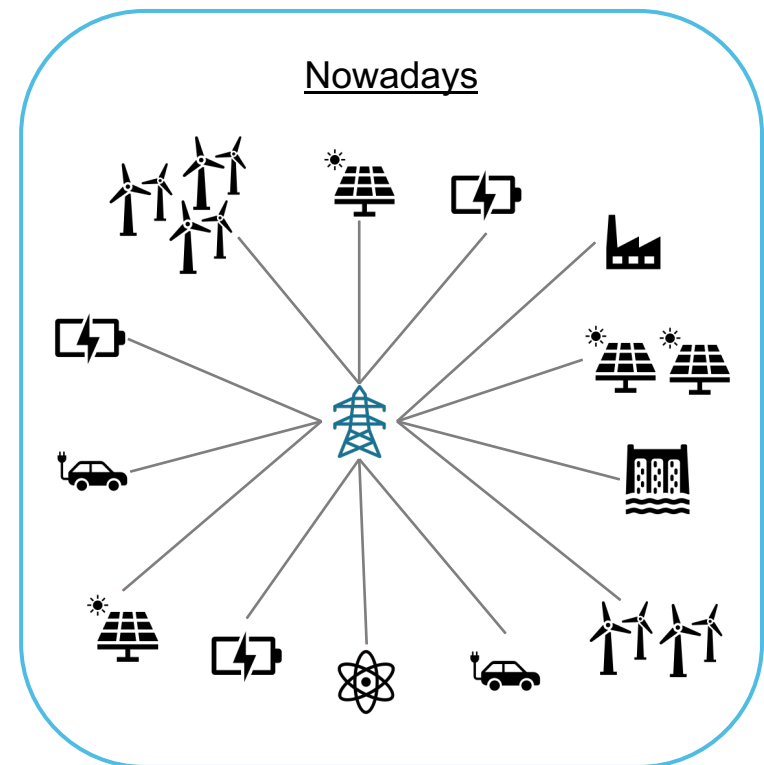
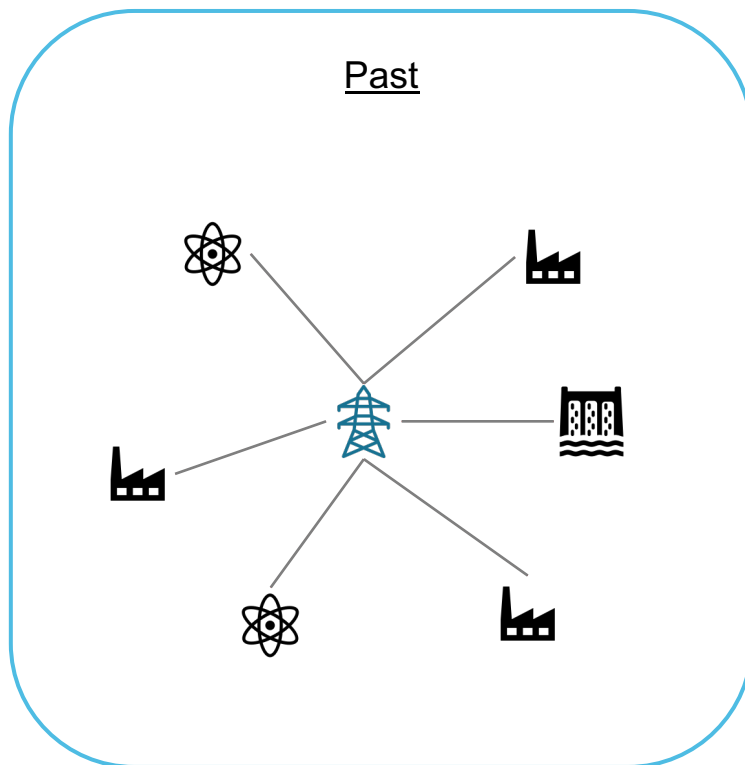
Solving Multi-Period Optimal Power Flow using Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers

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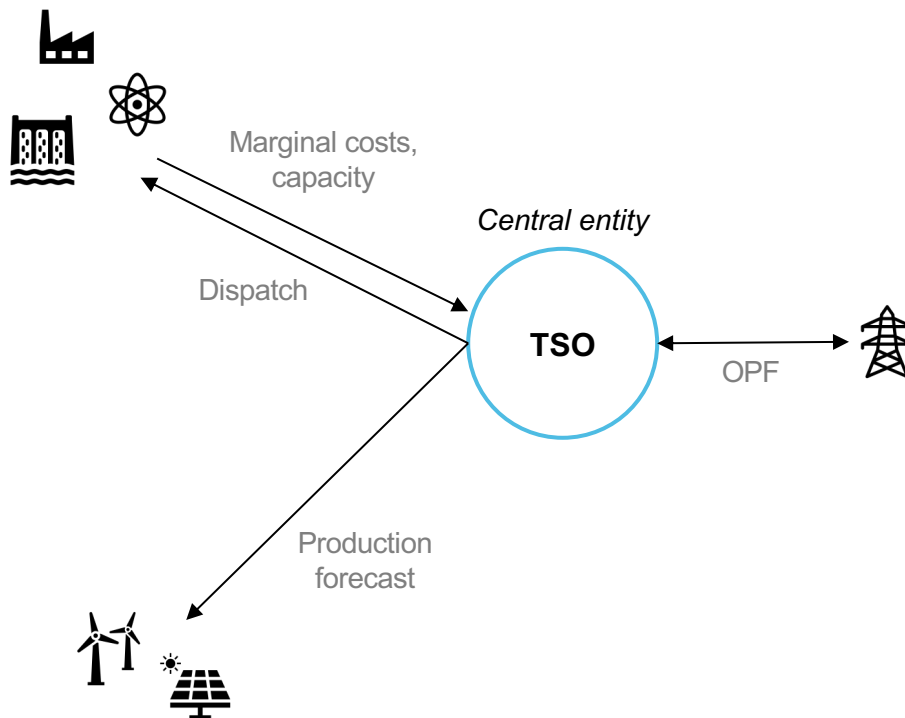
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1.1 Motivation



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Sharing of sensible
information

Trend towards
decentralized systems

Utilizing new algorithms and
computational advantages

1.1 Motivation

Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (ADMM)

Solves distributed convex optimization problems

Decomposes main problem into multiple subproblems

Enables decentralization and parallelisation

Fine-tuning of algorithm depends on one parameter

Introduced by Gabay et al. in mid-1970s

1.1 Motivation

Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (ADMM)

Typically, ADMM solves the following problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{(x, z)} & f(x) + g(z) \\ \text{s.t.} & \mathbf{A}x + \mathbf{B}z = c \end{array} \quad \leftarrow \text{Complicating constraint}$$

The corresponding augmented Lagrangian yields:

$$L_p(x, y, \lambda) = f(x) + g(z) + \lambda^T (\mathbf{A}x + \mathbf{B}z - c) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{A}x + \mathbf{B}z - c\|_2^2$$

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The single iterations are:

$$x^{v+1} := \min(x) \quad f(x) + g(z^v) + (\lambda^v)^T(\mathbf{A}x + \mathbf{B}z^v - c) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{A}x + \mathbf{B}z^v - c\|_2^2$$

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$$\lambda^{v+1} := \lambda^v + \gamma(\mathbf{A}x^{v+1} + \mathbf{B}z^{v+1} - c)$$

1.2 Research Questions

1

Is it possible to implement a decentralized algorithm with the help of ADMM that can optimize an OPF?

2

Can the algorithm be extended by energy storage resources?

3

Are the results the same as for a centralized problem?

1.3 Current State of Research

Fundamentals

Conejo et al. (2006)

Decomposition techniques in mathematical programming: engineering and science applications

Boyd (2010)

Distributed Optimization and Statistical Learning via the Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers

Application

Xing et al. (2017)

Distributed algorithm for dynamic economic power dispatch with energy storage in smart grids

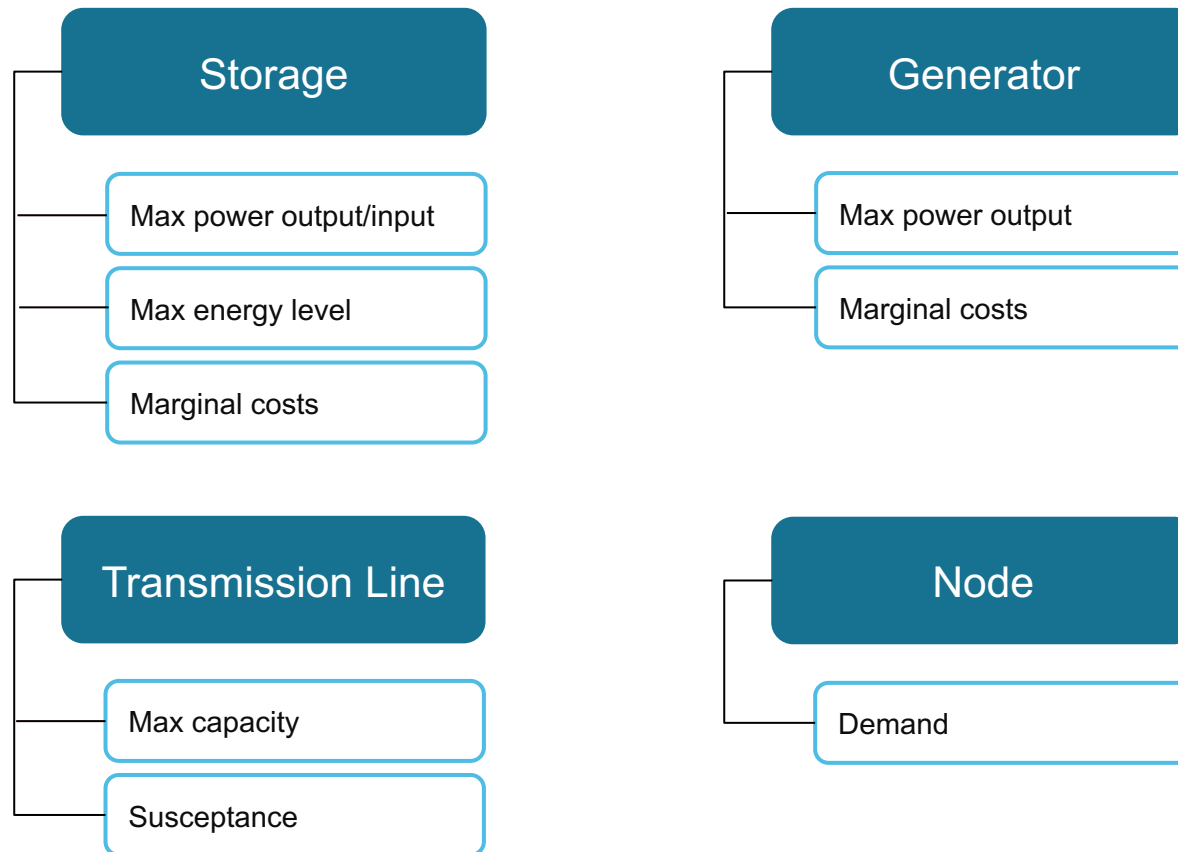
- + ADMM is utilized
- + Communication network is established
- + Storages are included
- Transmission network is neglected
- Software implementation is not published

Yang et al. (2019)

A Fully Decentralized Distribution Market Mechanism Using ADMM

- + Algorithm for a decentralized OPF
- + ADMM is utilized
- No storages are included
- Software implementation is not published
- Equations are not explained in detail

2.1 Modeling Framework



2.2 Mathematical Formulations

Centralized Problem

$$\min \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} mc_g \cdot P_{g,t} + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} mc_s \cdot (D_{s,t} + C_{s,t})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad 0 \leq P_{g,t} \leq \bar{p}_g \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{G}, t \in \mathcal{T}$$

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$$0 \leq E_{s,t} \leq \bar{e}_s \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{S}, t \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$E_{s,t} - E_{s,t-1} - C_{s,t} + D_{s,t} = 0 \quad \forall s \in \mathcal{S}, t \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} I_{n,t} = 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$-\bar{f}_l \leq PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} \leq \bar{f}_l \quad \forall l \in \mathcal{L}, t \in \mathcal{T}, n \in \mathcal{N}$$

$$I_{n,t} = \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}_n} P_{g,t} + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}_n} (D_{s,t} - C_{s,t}) - d_{n,t}$$



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2.2 Mathematical Formulations

1. Remove inequality constraints

$$\min \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} mc_g \cdot P_{g,t} + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} mc_s \cdot (D_{s,t} + C_{s,t})$$

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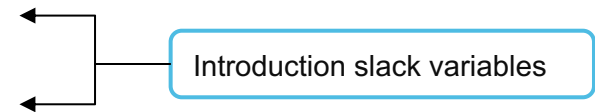
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2. Apply Augmented Lagrangian Relaxation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} mc_g \cdot P_{g,t} + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} mc_s \cdot (D_{s,t} + C_{s,t}) \\
 & + \lambda_t \cdot \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} I_{n,t} \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} I_{n,t} \right\|_2^2 \\
 & + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \mu_{l,t} \cdot \left(\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} + U_{l,t} - \bar{f}_l \right) \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} + U_{l,t} - \bar{f}_l \right\|_2^2 \\
 & + \rho_{l,t} \cdot \left(\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} K_{l,t} - PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} - \bar{f}_l \right) \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} K_{l,t} - PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} - \bar{f}_l \right\|_2^2
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2.2 Mathematical Formulations

Decentralized Problem – Generator subproblem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} mc_g \cdot P_{g,t}^v \\
 & + P_{g,t}^v \cdot (\lambda_t + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} (\mu_{l,t} - \rho_{l,t}) \cdot PTDF_{l,n}) \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \|P_{g,t}^v + \Theta_{\check{n},t} - P_{g,t}^{v-1} + \Phi_{\check{n},t} - \Psi_{\check{n},t} - d_{\check{n},t} \\
 & \quad + \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N} \setminus \check{n}} \Theta_{n,t} + \Phi_{n,t} - \Psi_{n,t} - d_{n,t}\|_2^2 \\
 & + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} + U_{l,t}^v - \bar{f}_l \right\|_2^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} K_{l,t}^v - PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} - \bar{f}_l \right\|_2^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \|U_{l,t}^v - \Upsilon_{l,t}\|_2^2 \\
 & \quad + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \|K_{l,t}^v - \Gamma_{l,t}\|_2^2 \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot (P_{g,t}^v - P_{g,t}^{v-1})^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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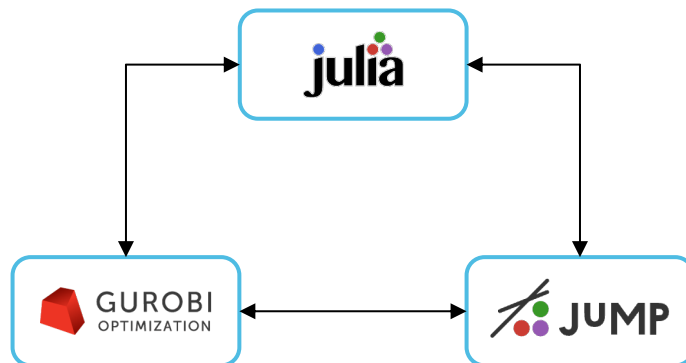
Decentralized Problem – Storage subproblem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} mc_s \cdot (D_{s,t}^v + C_{s,t}^v) \\
 & + (D_{s,t}^v - C_{s,t}^v) \cdot (\lambda_t + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} (\mu_{l,t} - \rho_{l,t}) \cdot PTDF_{l,n}) \\
 & + \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \|\Theta_{\check{n},t} + D_{s,t}^v + \Phi_{\check{n},t} - D_{s,t}^{v-1} \\
 & \quad - C_{s,t}^v - (\Psi_{\check{n},t} - C_{s,t}^{v-1}) - d_{\check{n},t} \\
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 & + \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}} \frac{\gamma}{2} \cdot \left\| \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t} + U_{l,t}^v - \bar{f}_l \right\|_2^2 \\
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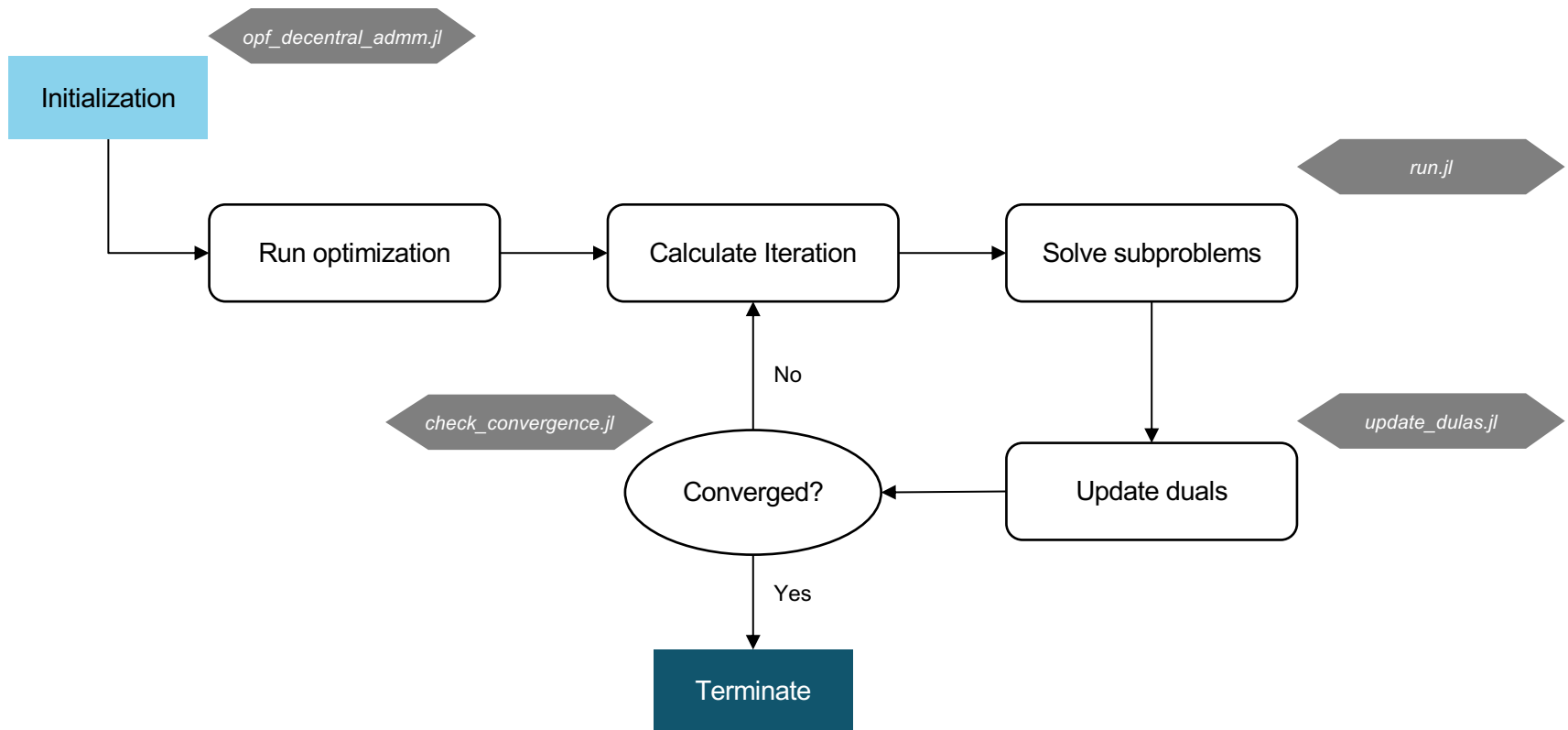
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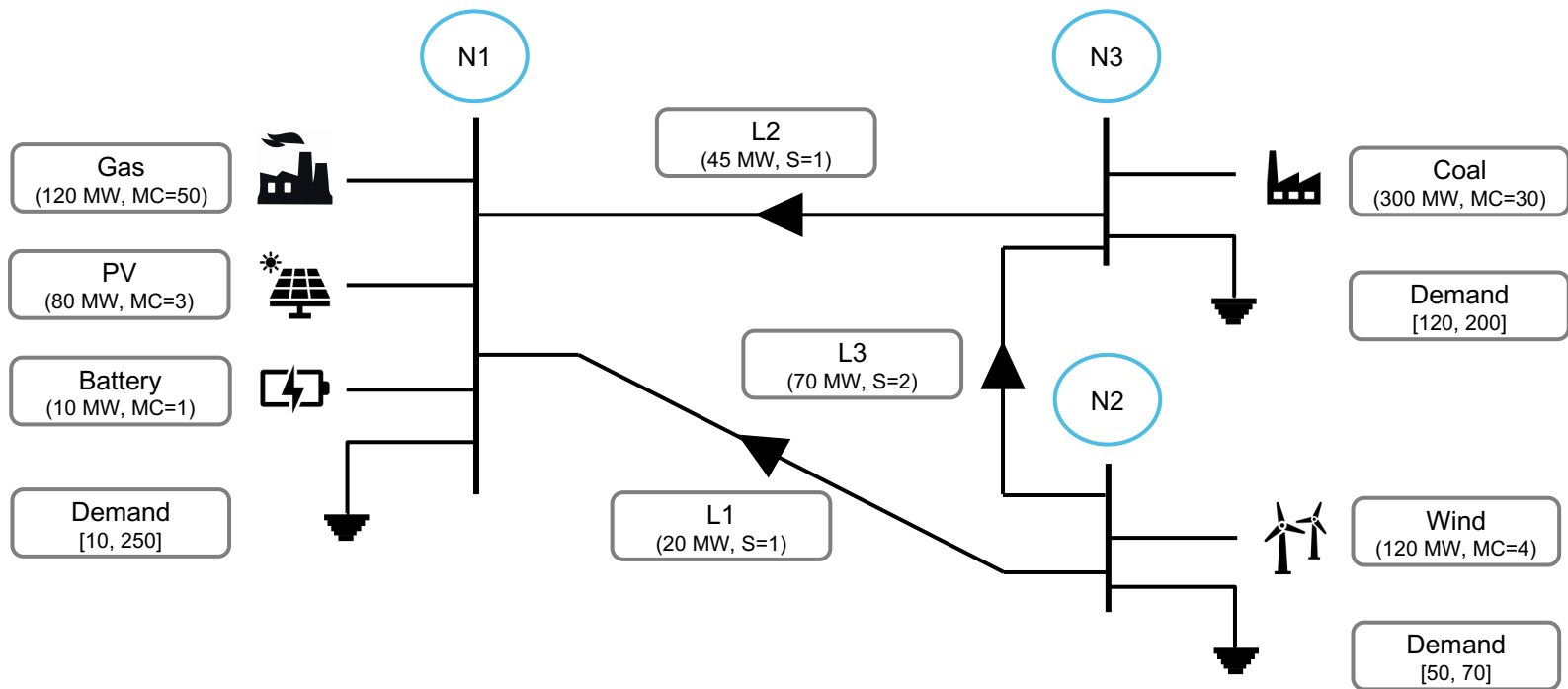
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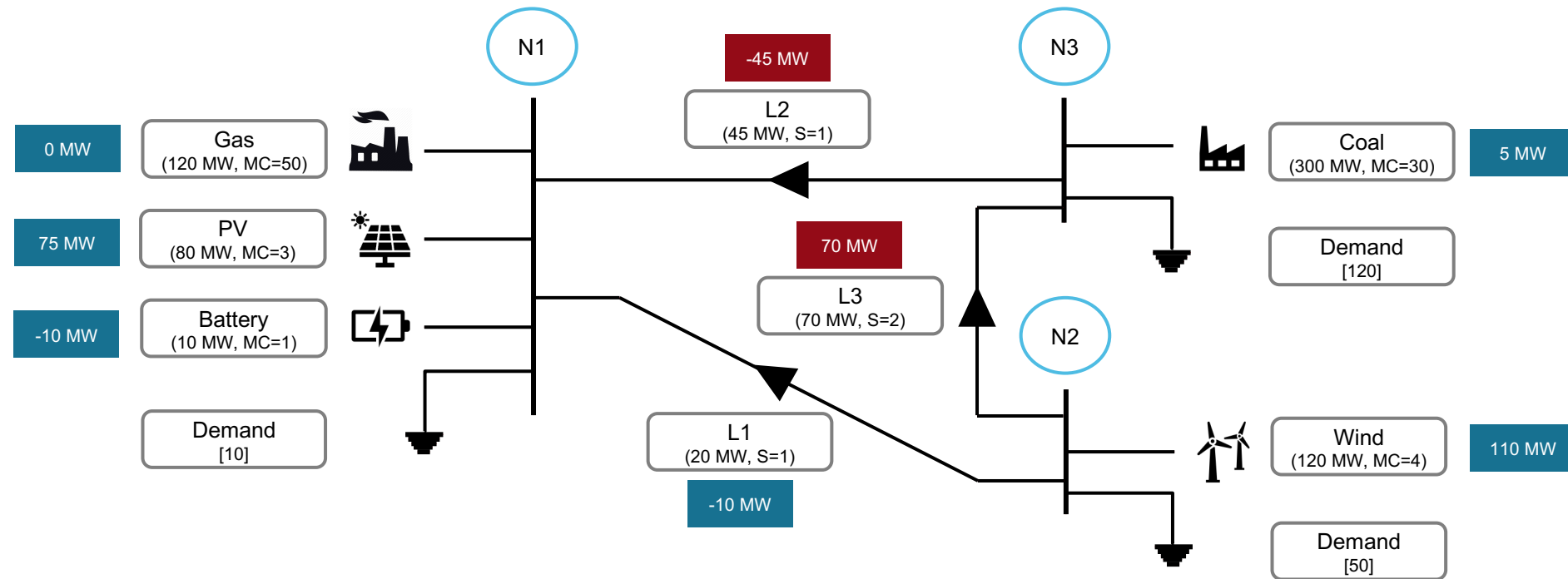
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Three Node System



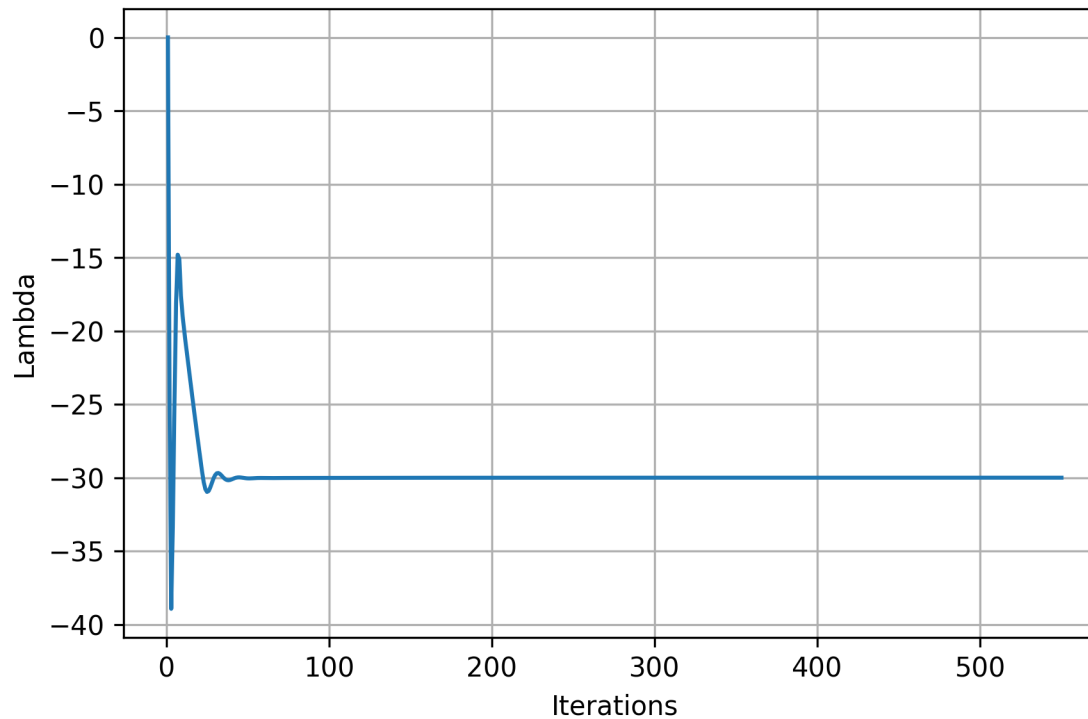
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Centralized Problem for $t=1$



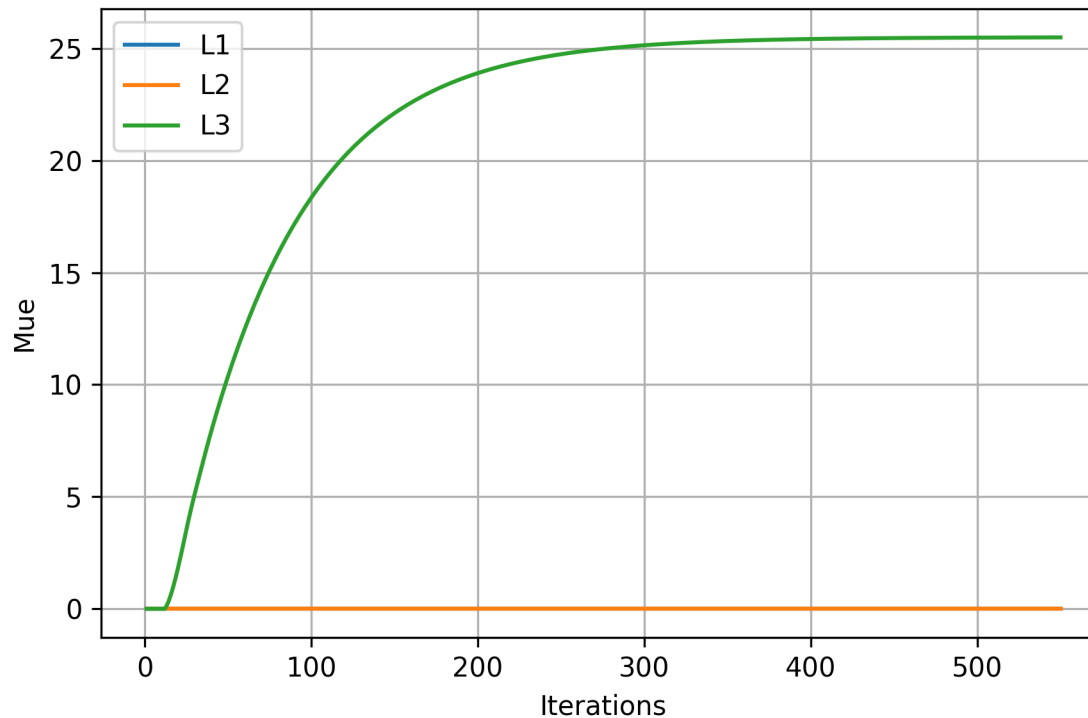
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Convergence of Lambda (System Balance) for $t=1$



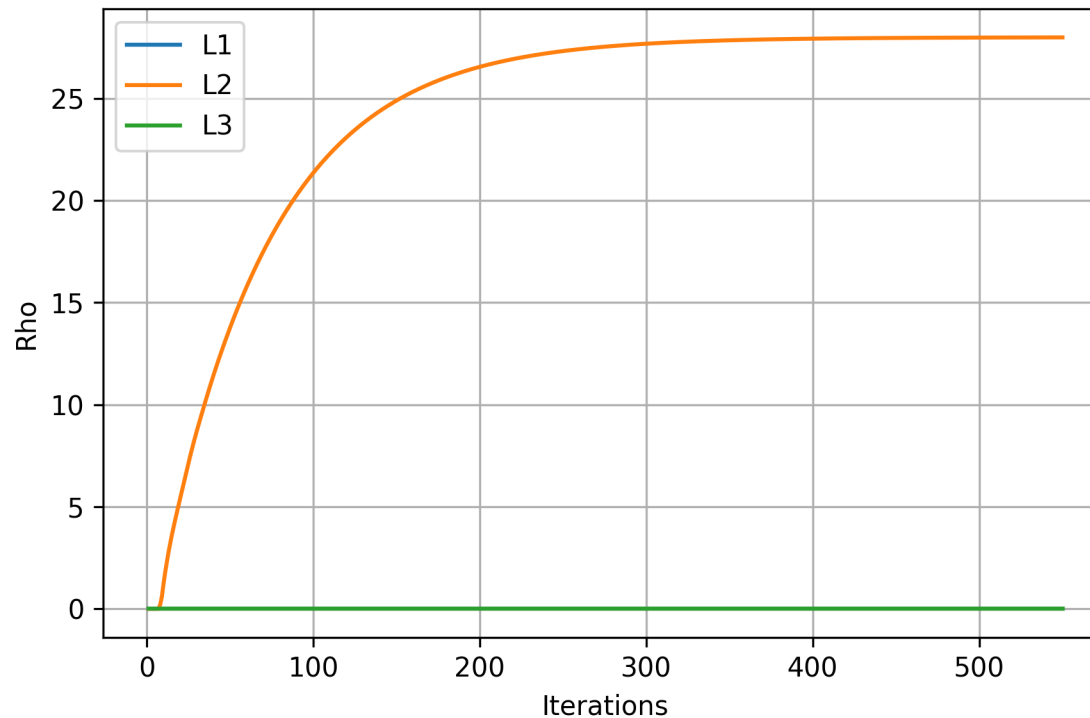
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Convergence of Mu (Upper Flow) for t=1



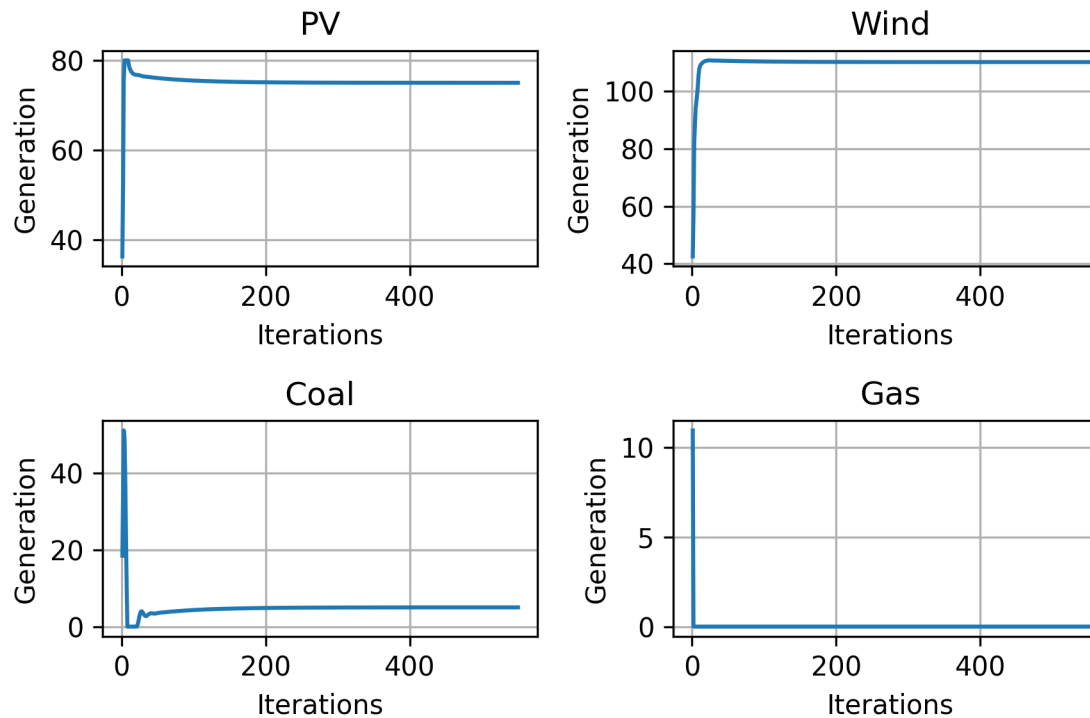
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Convergence of Rho (Lower Flow) for $t=1$



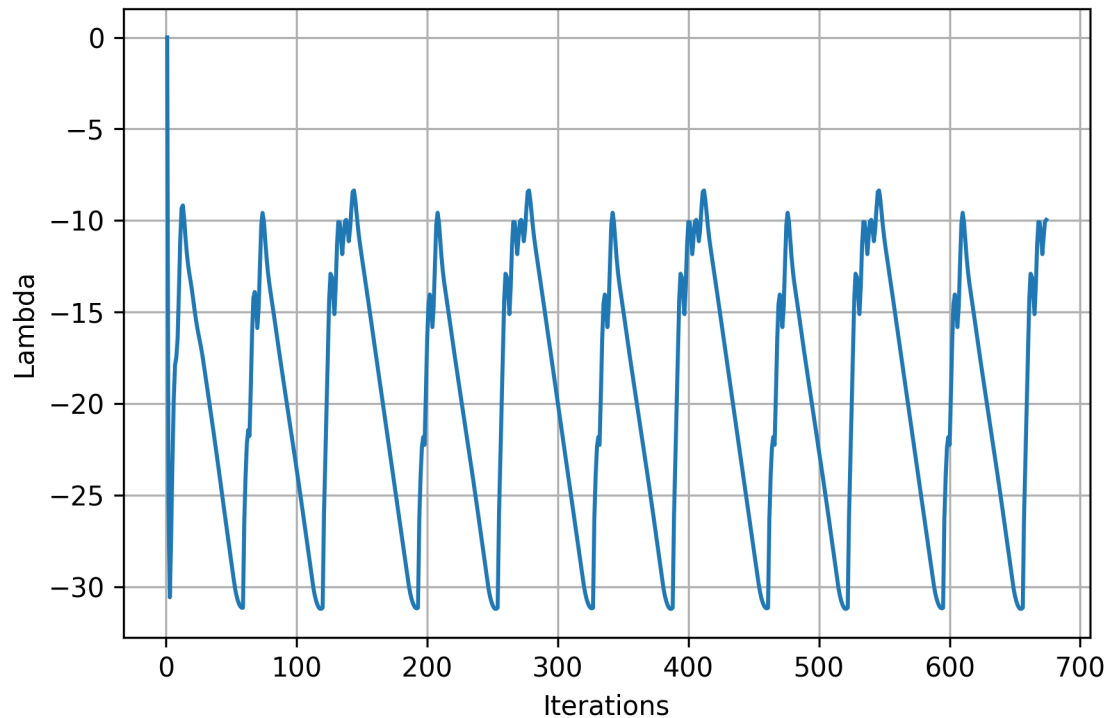
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Convergence of Generators for $t=1$



3. Results

Convergence problem – wrong weight for flow penalty terms



$$\frac{\gamma}{2} \rightarrow 10$$

4. Conclusion

Implementation of
decentralized OPF is
possible

Identical results
between central and
decentral approach

Damping parameter γ
influences convergence
very strongly

Contributions

Open-source package

Well-documented derivation

Detailed description of
findings

Algorithm can be further
extended

Outlook

Automate selection of
damping parameter γ

Investigate implementation
of regulations

Create financial incentives
to increase network security

Include a more
sophisticated case study

Thanks for your attention!

2.2 Mathematical Formulations

Decentralized Problem – Update Duals

$$\lambda_t^{v+1} = \lambda_t^v + \gamma \cdot \left(\sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} P_{g,t}^v + \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} D_{s,t}^v - \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} D_{s,t}^v - d_{n,t} \right)$$

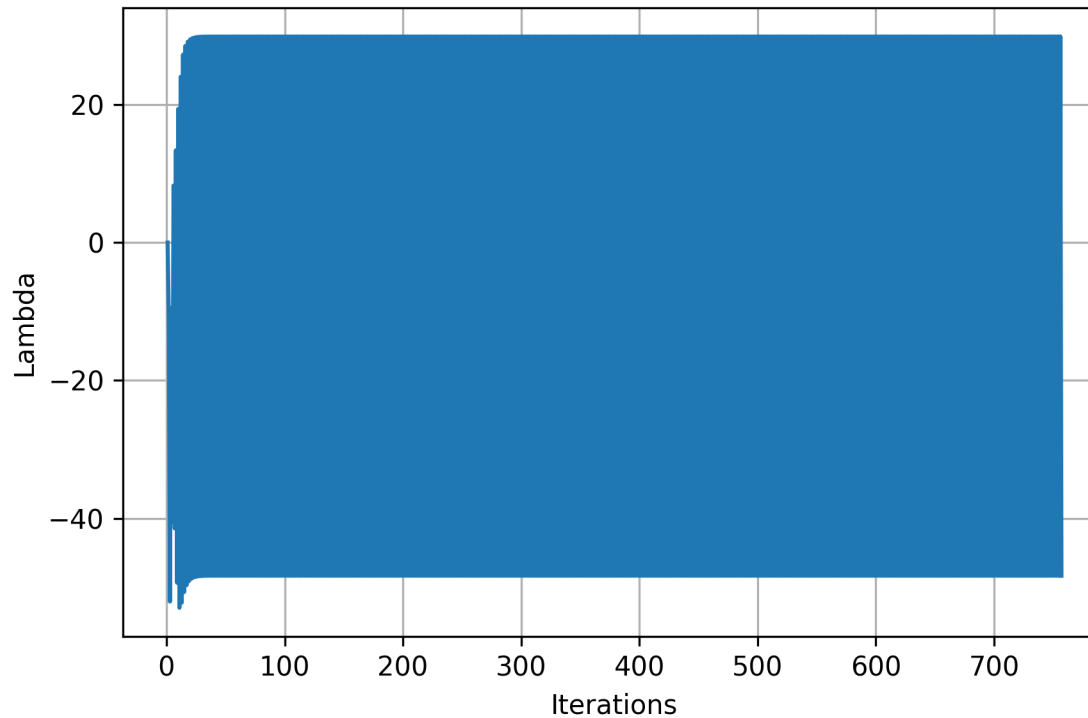
$$\rho_{l,t}^{v+1} = \rho_{l,t}^v + \gamma \cdot \left(\sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t}^v + \Upsilon_{l,t}^v - \bar{f}_l \right)$$

$$\mu_{l,t}^{v+1} = \mu_{l,t}^v + \gamma \cdot \left(\Gamma_{l,t}^v - \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} PTDF_{l,n} \cdot I_{n,t}^v - \bar{f}_l \right)$$

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Convergence problem – big damping parameter



$$\gamma = 0.5 \text{ (0.3)}$$