



Long Term Operation Models for Deregulated Electricity Markets

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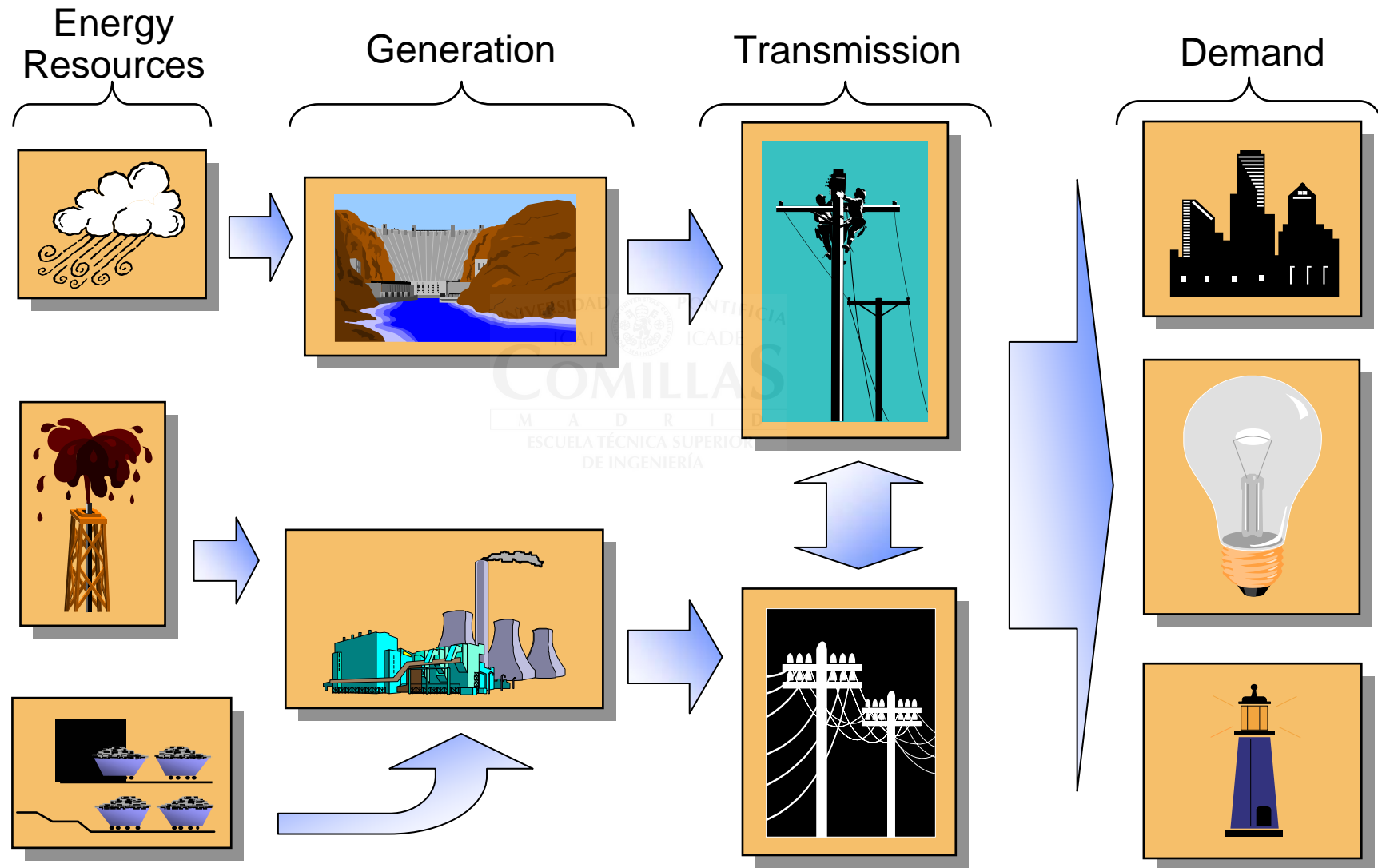
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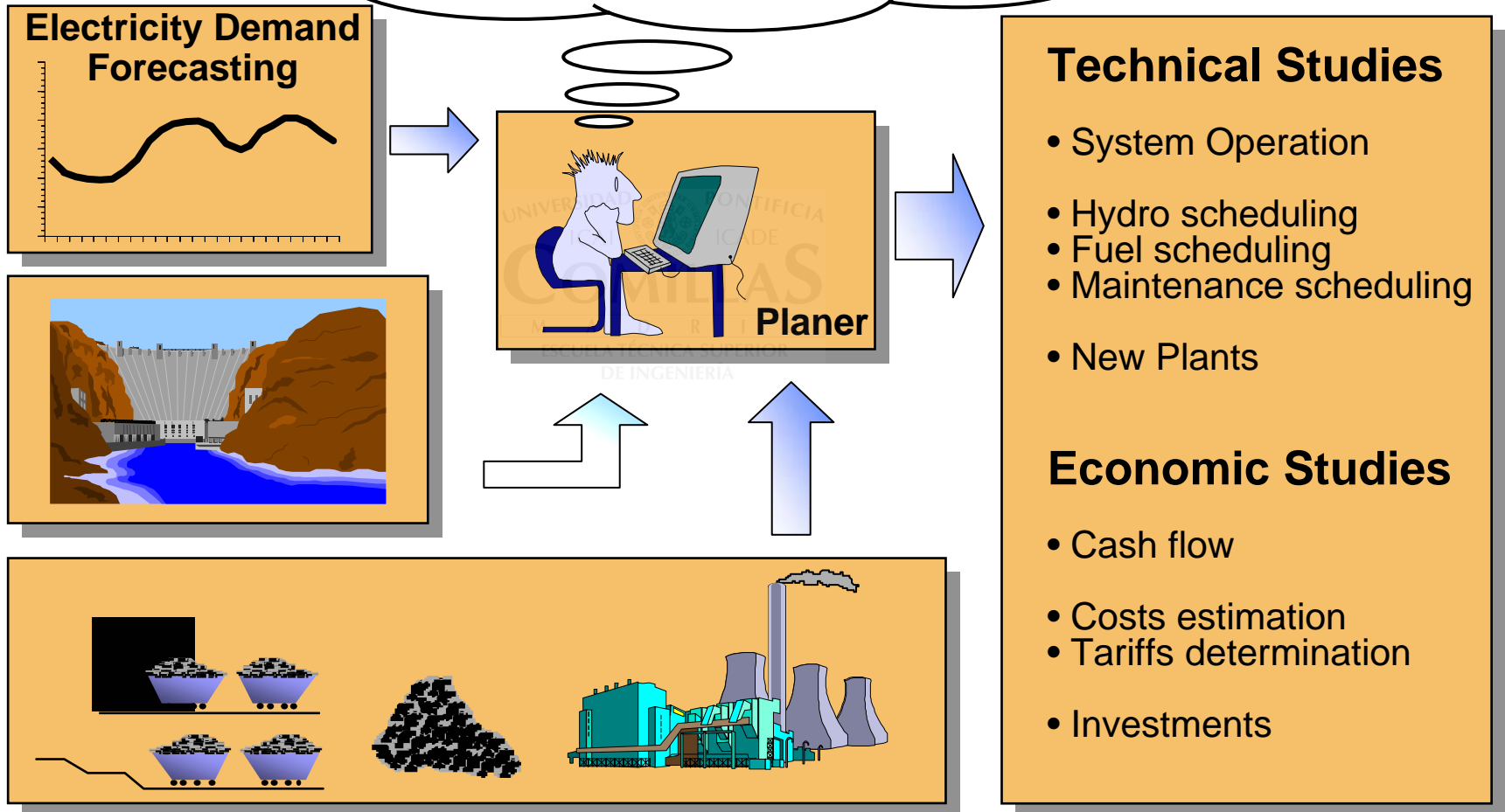
- Introduction
- Market Equilibrium in Microeconomic Theory: Perfect Competition, Monopoly, Oligopoly
- Thermal and Hydrothermal Theoretical Equilibrium Model
- Generation Operation Planning Models based on:
 - Mixed Complementarity Problem (MCP)
 - Market Equilibrium Constraints

Electric Energy Systems

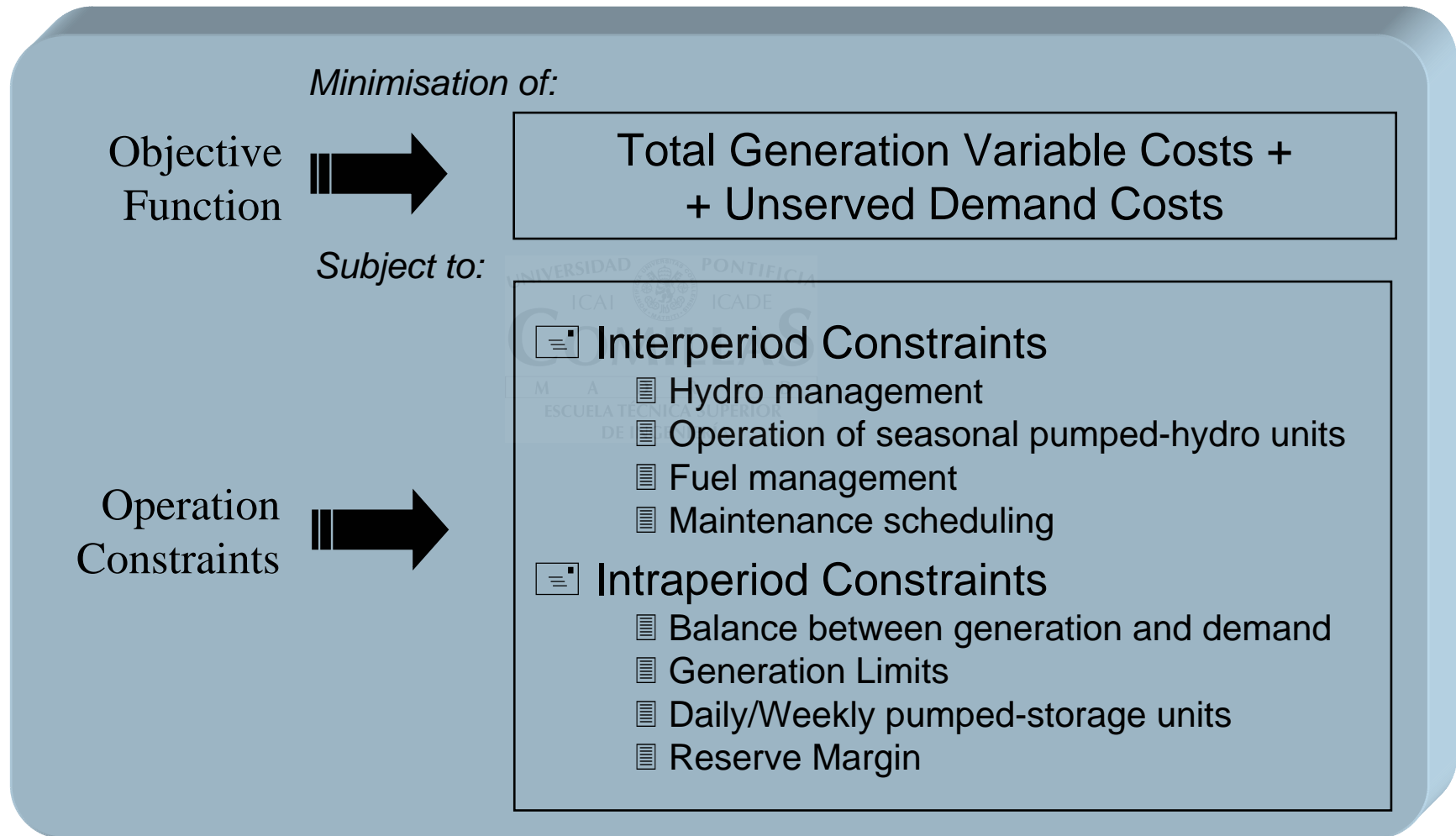


Generating System Planning

Minimum generation cost that satisfies the electricity demand subject to operation constraints



Traditional Generation Operation Planning Models



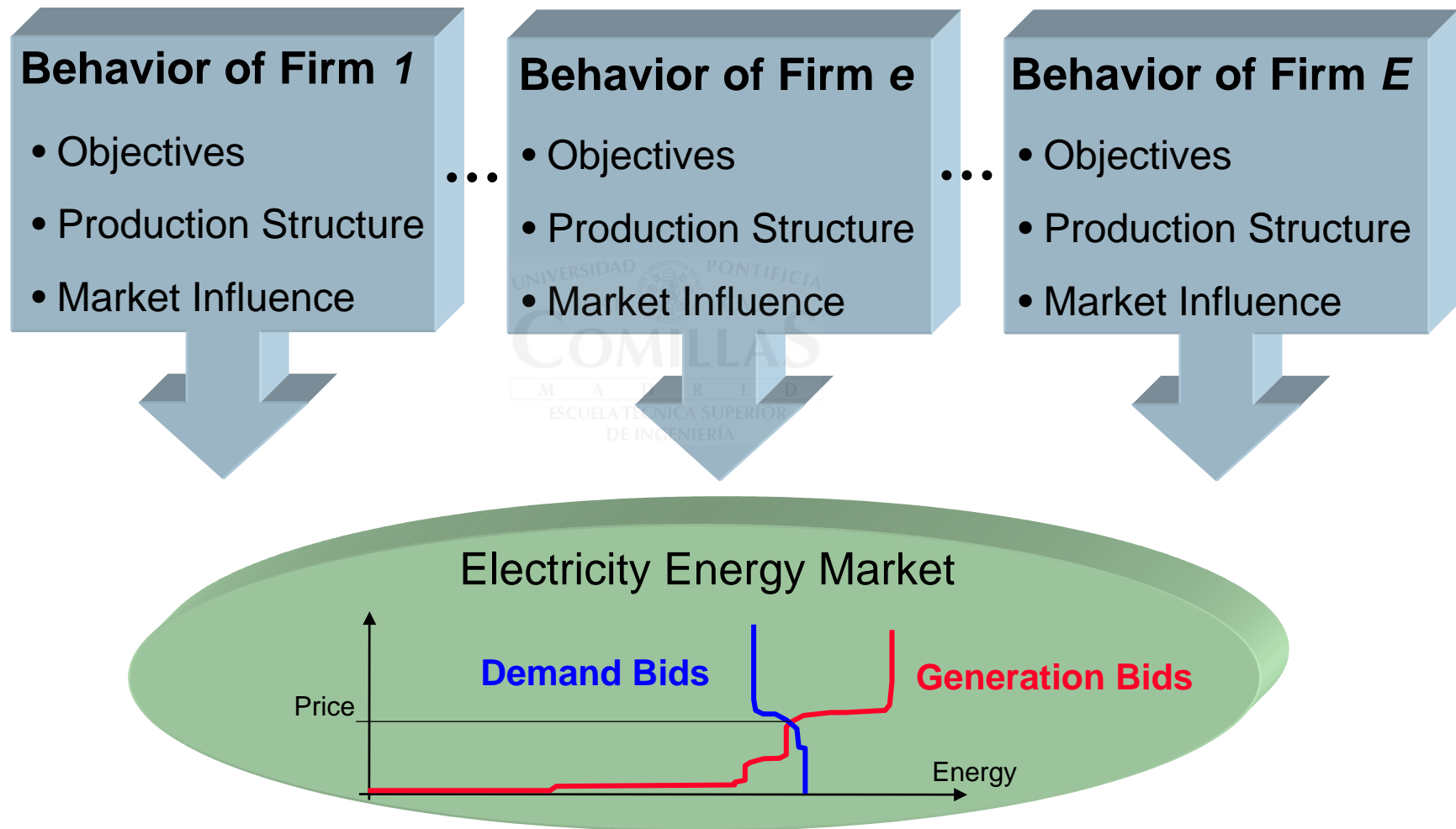
Toward competition (I)

- Power systems restructuring toward deregulation and competition
- Generation of electricity becomes a market based activity
- Utilities managerial decisions become risky and market price oriented
- Companies require new tools and models to support their decisions
- Regulators require new tools to supervise the market behavior

Toward competition (II)

- Increased **opportunities** and increased **risks**
- New **responsibilities**
 - Self-Hydrothermal coordination
 - Self-Unit commitment
 - Bidding prices and quantities
- New original models that consider:
 - ↳ The technical operation constraints
 - ↳ The new **competitive framework** (objective function):
 - each firm looks forward to maximizing its own profit
 - profit = market revenues - operational costs

Electricity Market Equilibrium Model



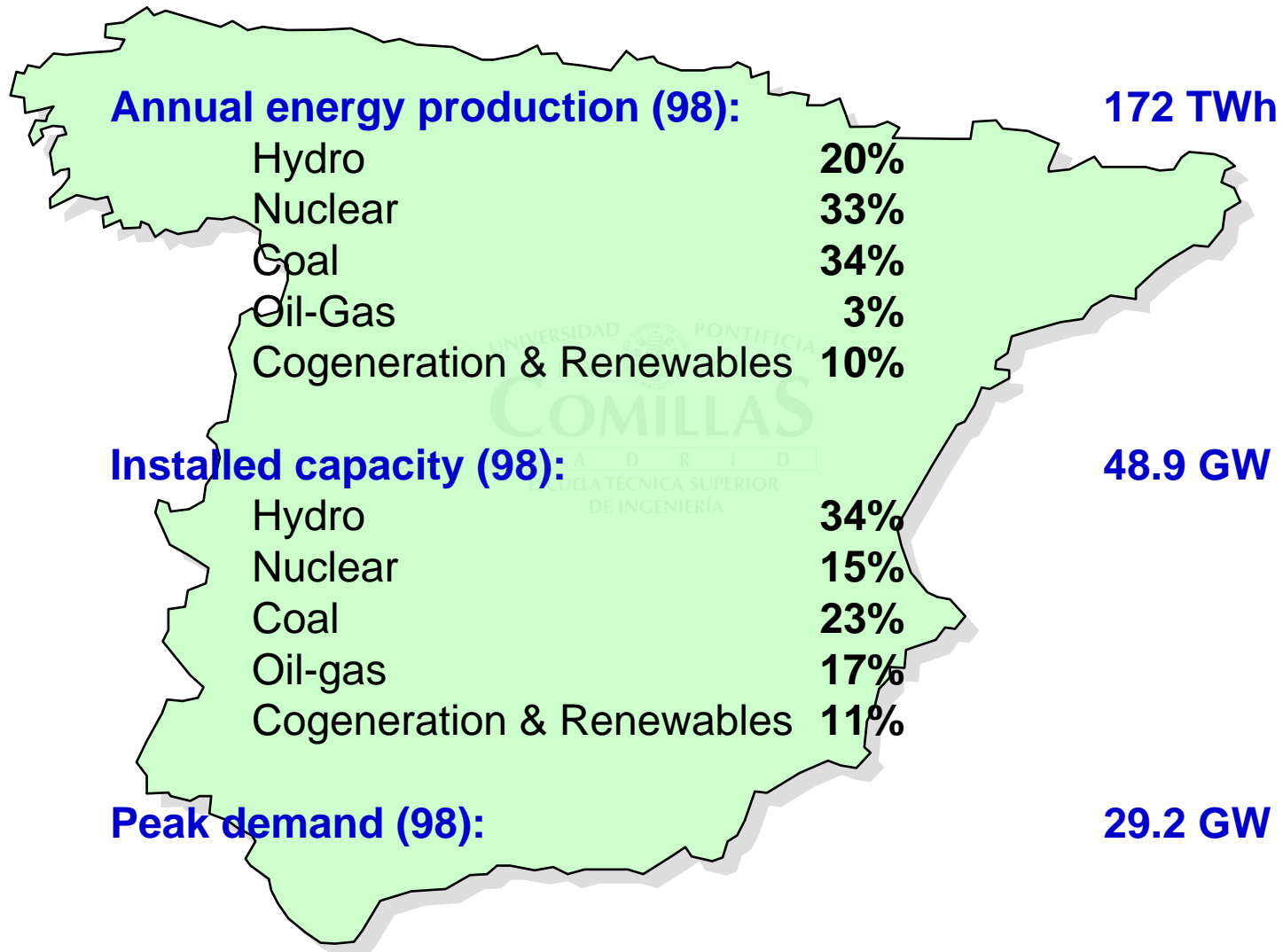
Generation planning functions reformulated

- Long term (up to several years)
 - fuel purchase and energy contracts
 - market share objectives, annual budget
- Medium and short term (1 week to several months)
 - hydrothermal operation planning
- Very short term (1 day)
 - energy market bidding process
- On line
 - complementary services bidding process

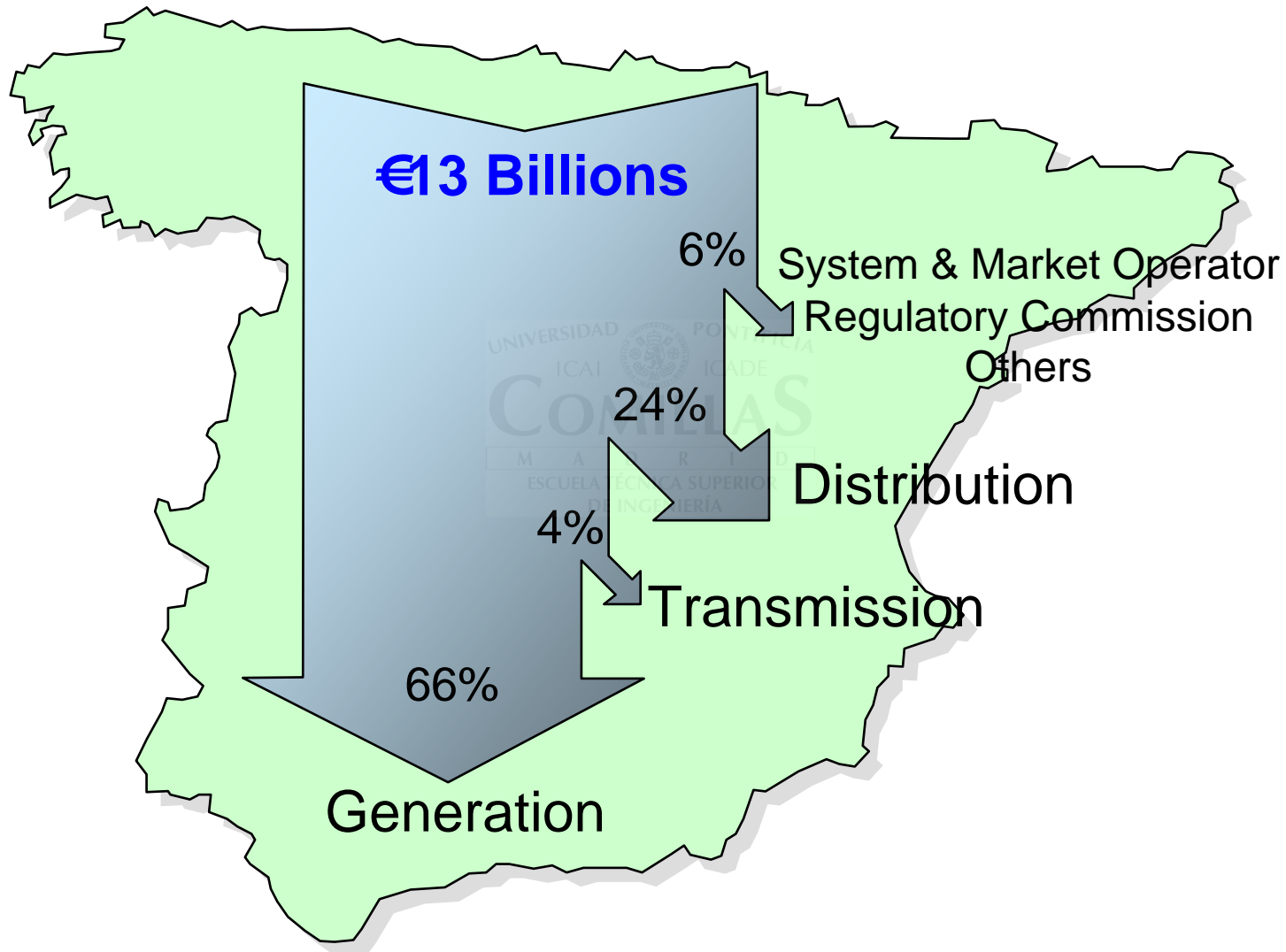
Spanish context

- Wholesale energy market running since January 1, 1998
- Based on a simple merit order of the bids
- Market clearing price is the highest accepted bid
- Characteristics
 - relevant hydro component:
 - ↖ Intertemporal links
 - four big companies:
 - ↖ Oligopoly
 - well developed and meshed network:
 - ↖ Absence of important network constraints

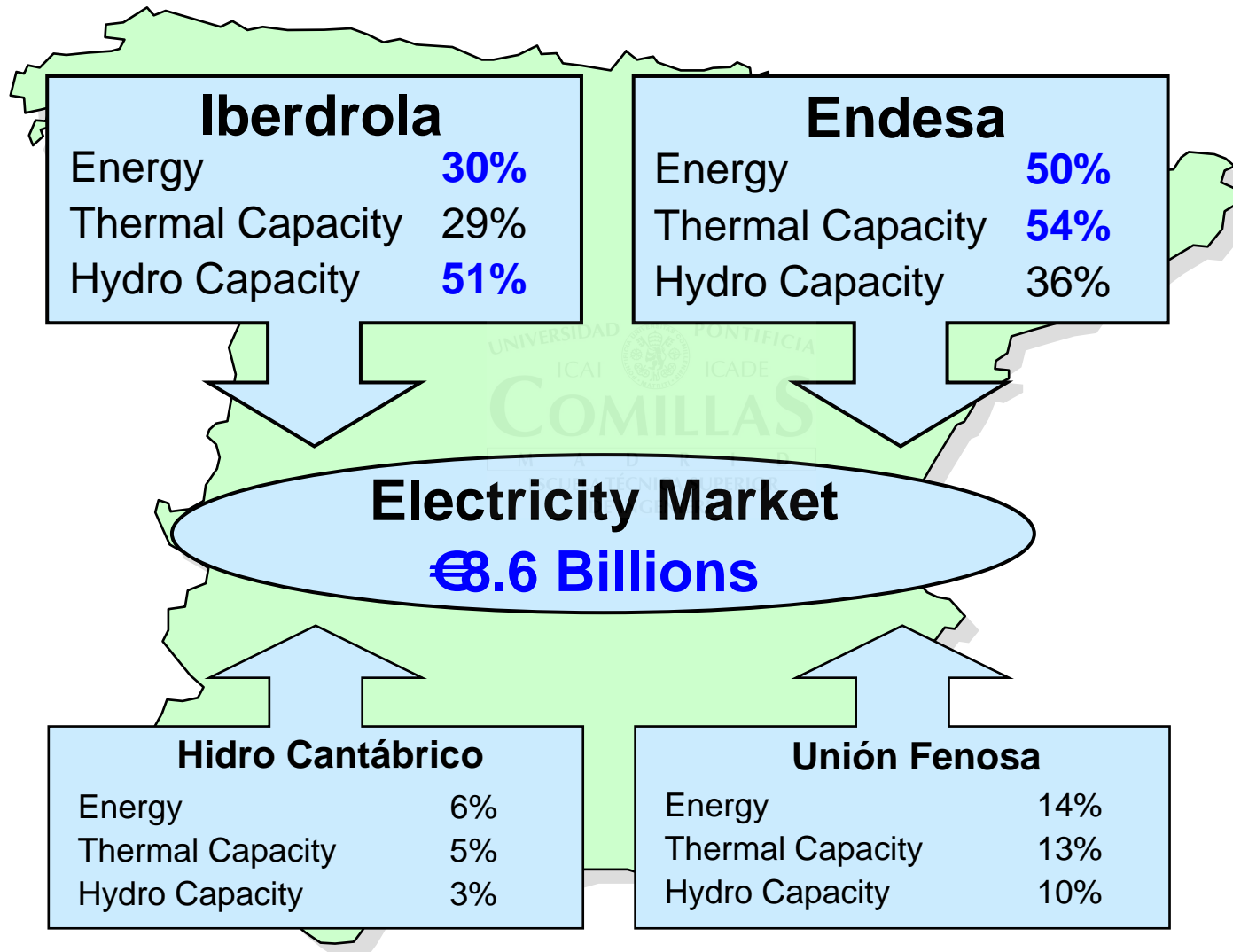
The Spanish Electric System



The Spanish Electric Business



The Spanish Electric Market



Microeconomic Theory

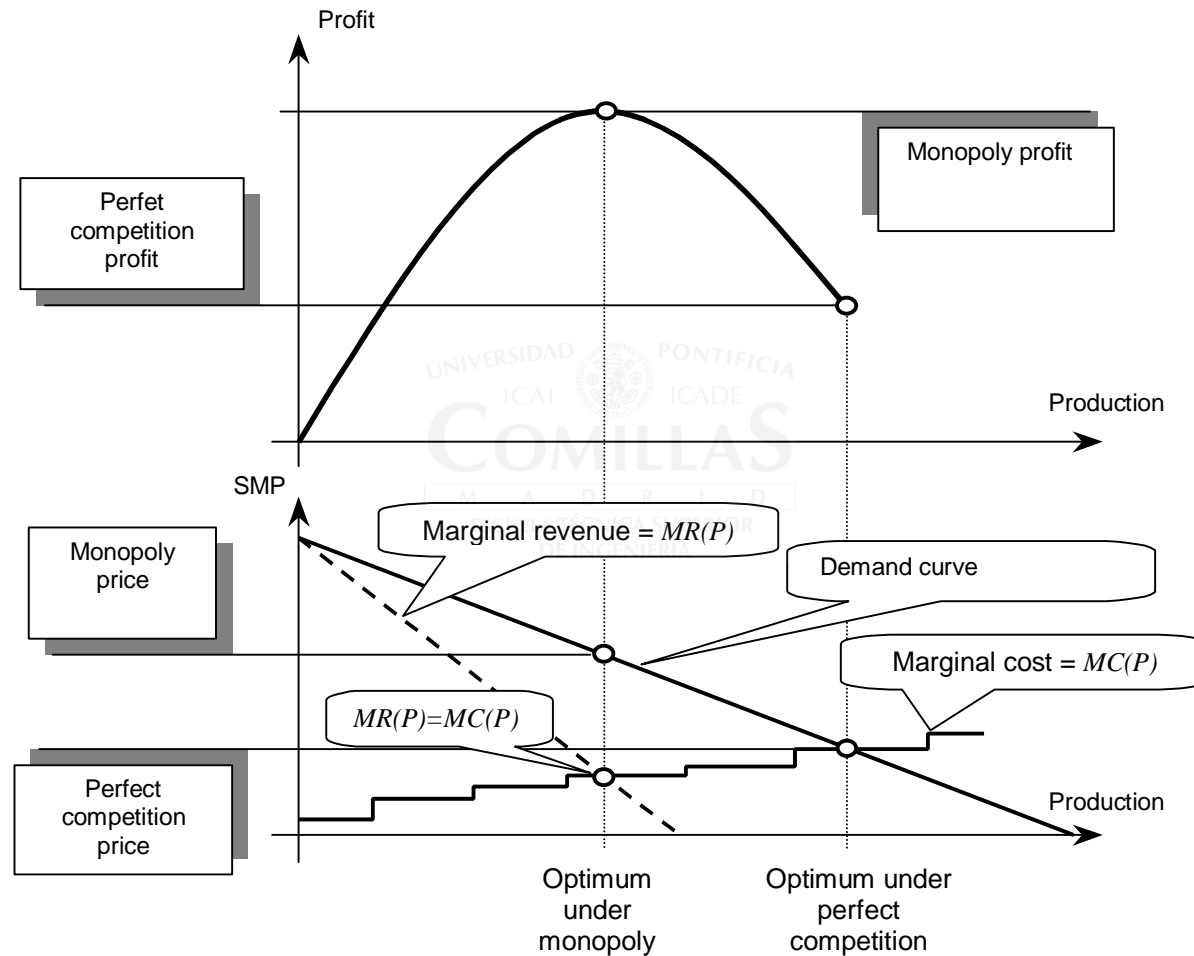
- Price influence and market shares
- Electricity market equilibrium models
 - Perfect competition
 - Monopoly
 - Oligopoly
 - Cournot
 - Bertrand
 - Edgeworth
 - Leader in quantity (Stackelberg)
 - Leader in price



Perfect competition market

- Many production companies with a small market share
- No company can influence the market price (all of them are price takers)
- The demand curve is horizontal from firm's point of view
- Each company can only play with its own bid curve (as the marginal price is given)
- Bidding price must be the marginal cost for each unit

Profit and market equilibrium



Monopoly market

- Only one company can set the price (price setter)
- Maximum profit is reached where the marginal revenue equals the marginal cost
- Price is greater than marginal cost and production is lower than in perfect competition market



Oligopoly market

- Some companies can affect the price (price setters)
- It is the most frequent state at the beginning of the deregulation process
- Modeling the oligopoly:
 - Competition in prices (Bertrand's model)
 - Competition in quantities (Cournot's model)
 - Edgeworth's model
 - Leader in quantity (Stackelberg's model)
 - Leader in price

Bertrand's model (competition in price)

- *Price* is the strategic variable. All the production is offered at this price
- The lower price bid gets all the demand
- It can not include the production limit of each unit
- The companies behave as competitive

Cournot's model (competition in quantity)

- *Production* is the strategic variable. A certain production is offered at zero price
- $\text{Benefit}_e = \text{SMP} \cdot \text{Production}_e - \text{Total_Cost}_e$

$$\frac{\partial B_e}{\partial P_e} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{SMP} + P_e \cdot \frac{\partial \text{SMP}}{\partial P_e} - \text{MC}_e = 0$$

$$\text{MR}_e(P_e) = \text{SMP} + P_e \cdot \frac{\partial \text{SMP}}{\partial P} = \text{MC}_e(P_e)$$

- System marginal price increases as the production is reduced
- SMP greater than in perfect competition and lower supply of demand

Edgeworth's model

- Introduces capacity constraints in Bertrand's model
- In the first stage the firms chose a quantity to bid and in the second stage the bid price subject to a capacity constraint
- The result of the two stages is equal to Cournot's model

Leader in quantity (Stackelberg's model)

- Firstly, the leader chooses its optimal production and then the competitors choose their optimum level. Market seen by competitors is lower than those seen by the leader
- It can be used to the generation expansion planning problem. The leader builds optimally and the competitors take their decision knowing the leader's decision
- The leader get more benefits than the competitors

Leader in price

- Firstly, the leader chooses its optimal price and then the competitors choose their optimum production level once known the price
- The competitors behave as competitive firms
- The leader knows that the competitors are going to bid their marginal costs
- The leader is a monopolist against the residual demand left by the competitors
- To be competitor is the best option

Thermal Equilibrium Model (Cournot's approach)

- No interperiod constraints
- For each strategic firm

$$B_e = SMP \cdot P_e - C_e \qquad SMP = f\left(\sum_e P_e\right)$$

$$\frac{\partial B_e}{\partial P_e} = 0 \Rightarrow SMP + P_e \cdot \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P_e} - MC_e = 0$$

$$MR_e(P_e) = SMP + P_e \cdot \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P} = MC_e(P_e)$$

$$P_e = \frac{SMP - MC_e(P_e)}{-\partial SMP / \partial P} \qquad P_e \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P} = SMP - MC_e(P_e) = \text{mark up}$$

- Lerner's index $P_e \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P}$ measures the firm's power market

Hydrothermal Equilibrium Model (I)

- Hydro generation is included and therefore interperiod constraints

$$\max B_e = \sum_p \left[SMP_p \cdot (P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) - C_{pe} \right]$$

$$\sum_p P_{pe}^H = I_e \quad : \lambda_e$$

$$SMP_p = f \left(\sum_e (P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) \right)$$

- Lagrangian function and KKT first order conditions

$$\frac{\partial L^e}{\partial P_{pe}^T} = SMP_p + (P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) \cdot \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P} - MC_{pe}^T(P_{pe}^T) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L^e}{\partial P_{pe}^H} = SMP_p + (P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) \cdot \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P} - \lambda_e = 0$$

Hydrothermal Equilibrium Model (II)

- Marginal revenue = marginal cost

$$MR_{pe} = SMP_p + (P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) \cdot \frac{\partial SMP}{\partial P} = MC_{pe}^T(P_{pe}^T)$$

- Optimum production for each firm

$$(P_{pe}^T + P_{pe}^H) = \frac{SMP_p - MC_{pe}^T(P_{pe}^T)}{-\partial SMP / \partial P} =$$

- Water value = marginal cost for each firm. Water is used to replace the own thermal generation

$$MC_{pe}^T(P_{pe}^T) = \lambda_e$$

- Water value is different for each firm

MCP and Market Equilibrium

Constratints Approaches

- ↖ **Detailed modeling operation** of thermal, hydro and pumped units
- ↖ **Single shot** optimization procedure
- ↖ Poolco-based market model
- ↖ Work and give coherent results
- ↖ Able to solve realistic sized systems in reasonable computer times

Firm's optimization program

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{maximize} \\
 & f^e(y) \\
 & \text{subject to:} \\
 & h_j^e(y) = 0 \quad : \lambda_j^e \\
 & g_k^e(y) < 0 \quad : \mu_k^e
 \end{aligned}$$



Lagrange Function

$$\mathcal{L}^e(y, \lambda, \mu) = f^e + \sum_j \lambda_j^e \cdot h_j^e + \sum_k \mu_k^e \cdot g_k^e$$



Optimality Conditions
= Mixed Complementarity Problem

$$\begin{aligned}
 \nabla_y \mathcal{L}^e(y, \lambda, \mu) &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^e}{\partial y^e} = 0 \\
 \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{L}^e(y, \lambda, \mu) &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^e}{\partial \lambda_j^e} = h_j^e = 0 \\
 \mu_k^e \cdot g_k^e &= 0 \quad g_k^e \leq 0 \quad \mu_k^e \leq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

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Generation Model based on MCP

Optimality Conditions
of Firm 1

Optimality Conditions
of Firm e

Optimality Conditions
of Firm E

$$\nabla_y \mathcal{L}^1(y, \lambda, \mu) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^1}{\partial y^1} = 0$$

$$\nabla_y \mathcal{L}^e(y, \lambda, \mu) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^e}{\partial y^e} = 0$$

$$\nabla_y \mathcal{L}^E(y, \lambda, \mu) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^E}{\partial y^E} = 0$$

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$$Price-m(y) = 0$$

Electricity Energy Market

Meaning of Optimality Conditions

- Optimality Conditions provide useful information for each firm about:

- Thermal generation:

$$\textit{Marginal Revenue} = \textit{Marginal Cost}$$

- Hydro management (peak hours):

tries to equalize firm's Marginal Cost

- Pumped-Hydro (off-peak hours):

tries to equalize firm's Marginal Cost

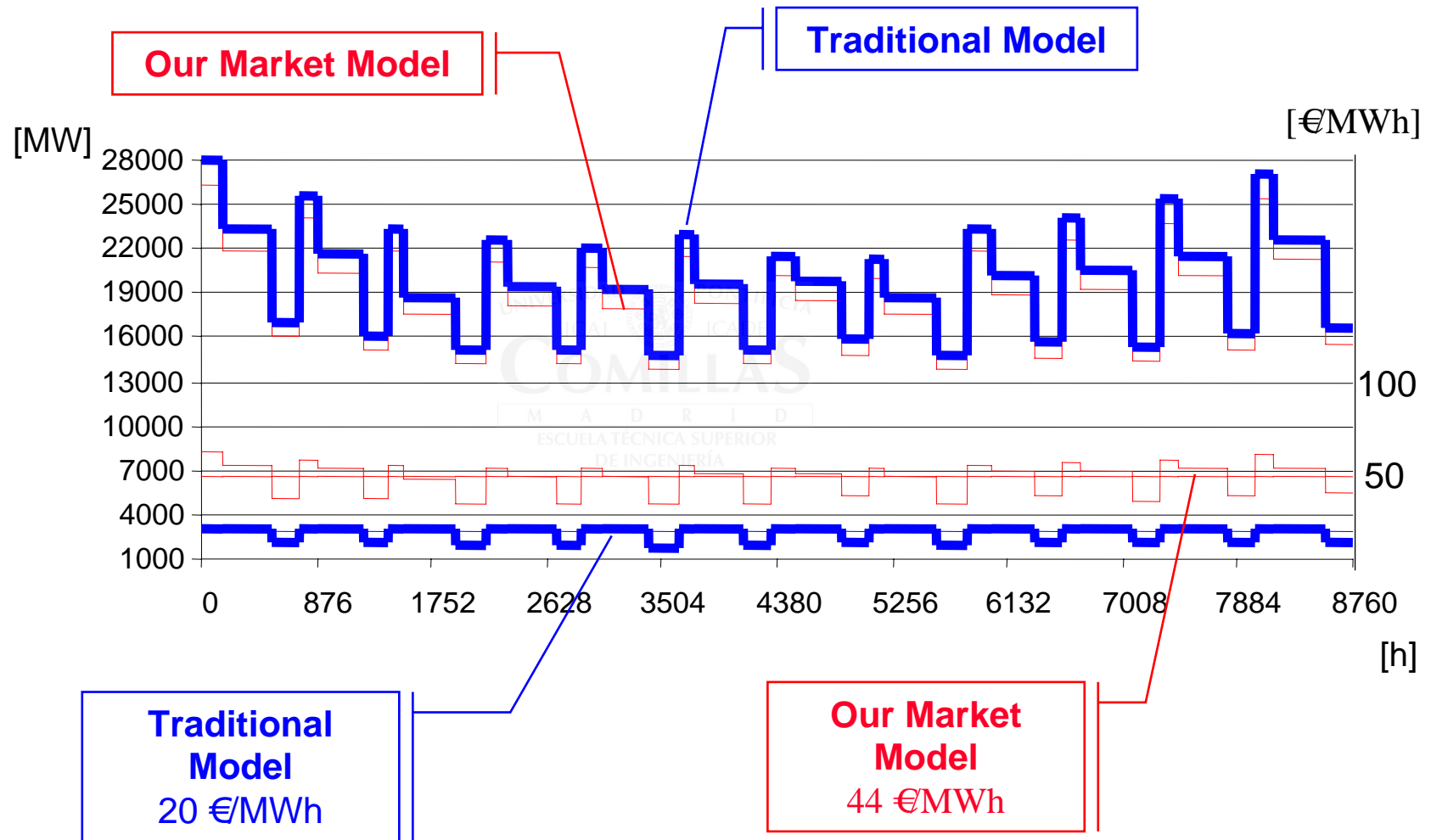
Sample Case

- It has been applied to the Spanish power market:
 - 73 thermal units and 30 equivalent hydro units
 - Scope of one year, divided into 12 periods with 3 load levels
- The size of the MCP is around 5,000 equations
- A Pentium II 233 MHz spends 2÷8 minutes to solve this problem with MILES

Sample Case

- Heuristic algorithm based on Linear Programming obtains a “good” starting point in 5 seconds
- It is established that the equilibrium of a multi-period Cournot model exists and is unique if:
 - Linear demand function
 - Monotone stepped marginal cost function

Sample Case: Results



MCP Summary

- A Generation Operation Planning approach based on Mixed Complementarity Problem
- Obtain the market equilibrium while taking into account operation constraints
- Meaningful optimality conditions
- Open issues:
 - Binary commitment variables
 - Large-scale stochastic problems

Generation Model based on Market Equilibrium Constraints (I): Traditional Production Cost Models

- Traditional Production Cost Models:
 - ↳ Long term operation planning studies
 - ↳ Minimum generation cost subject to operation constraints
- Two relevant characteristics of these models:
 - ↳ A **detailed representation** of the electric system operation
 - ↳ Their **main decision variables** are the generation **output levels** offered to the market

Market Equilibrium Model Overview (II): Equilibrium Constraints

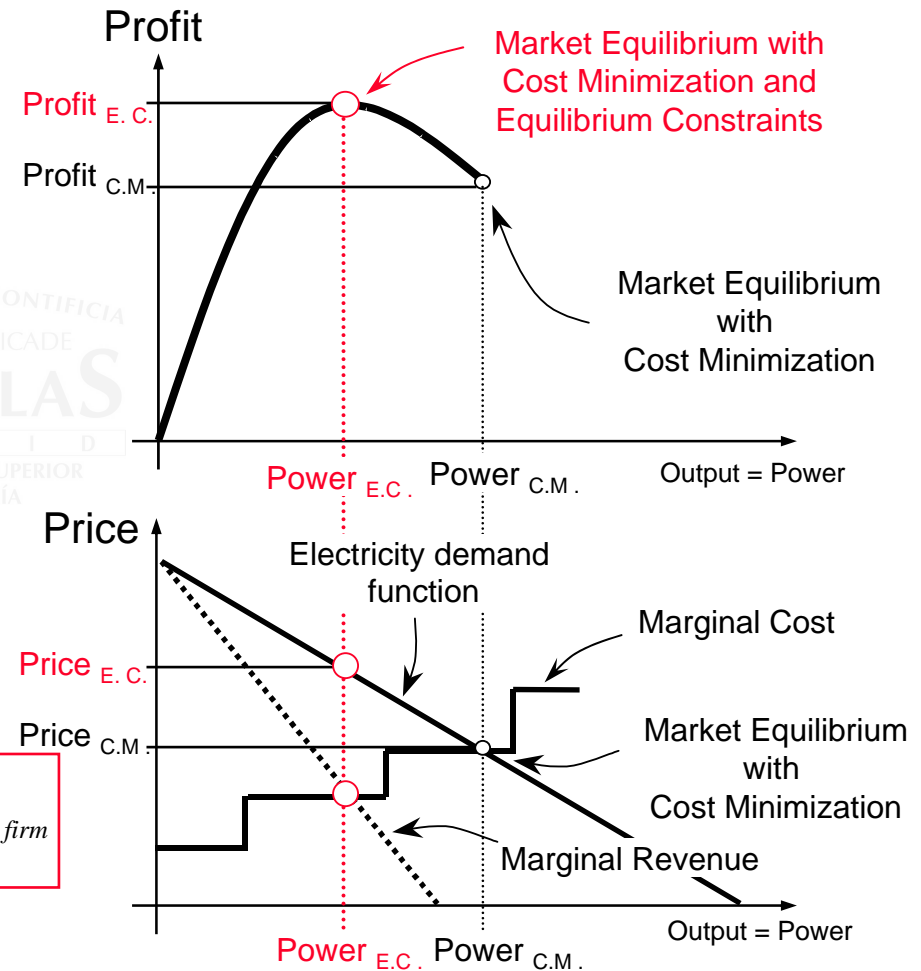
- Equilibrium Constraints reproduce the first order optimality conditions of the firms' profit maximization objective

$$Profit_{firm} = Price \cdot Power_{firm} - Cost_{firm}$$

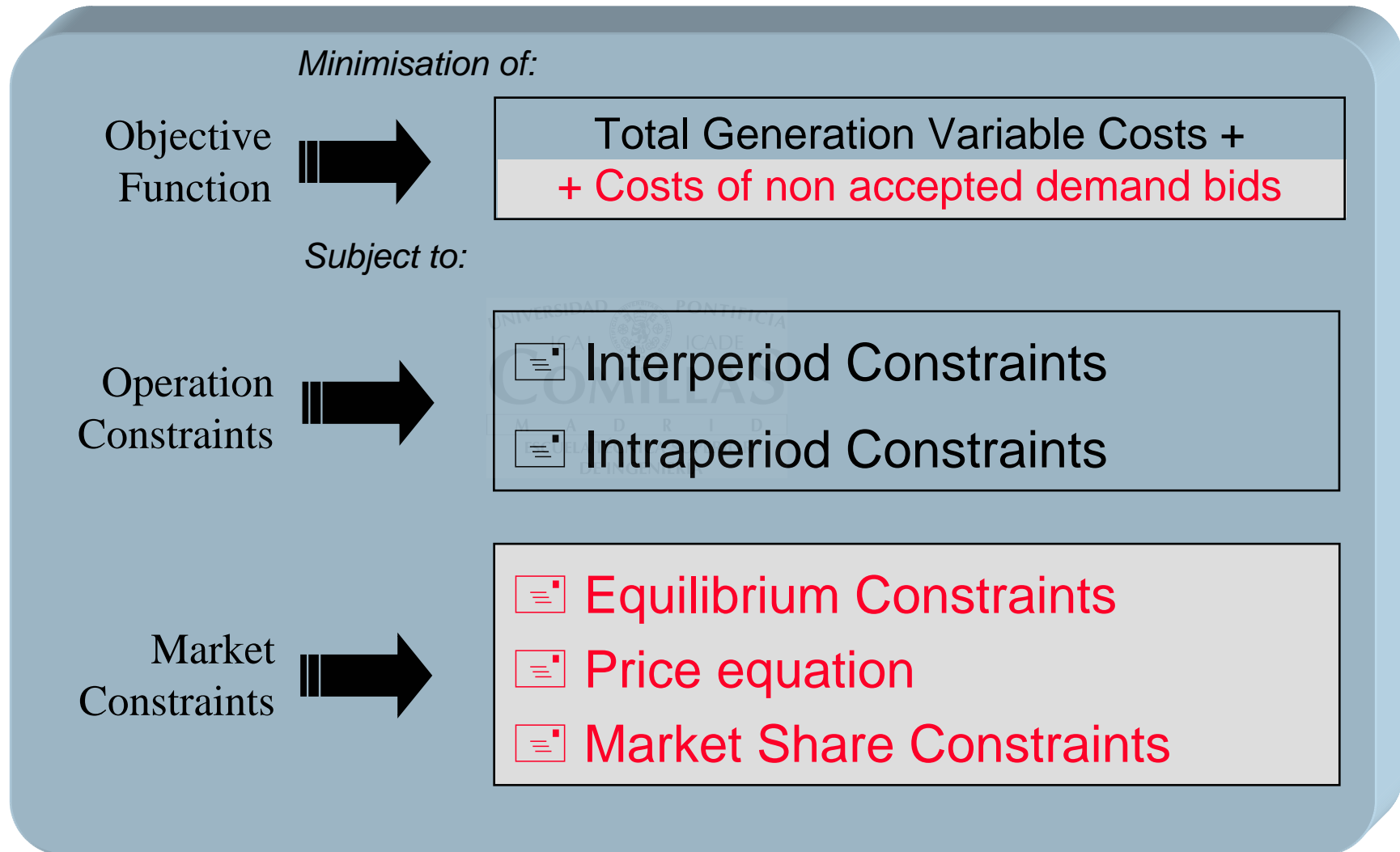
$$\frac{\partial Profit_{firm}}{\partial Power_{firm}} = 0$$

$$Price + Power_{firm} \cdot \frac{\partial Price}{\partial Power_{firm}} = Marginal Cost_{firm}$$

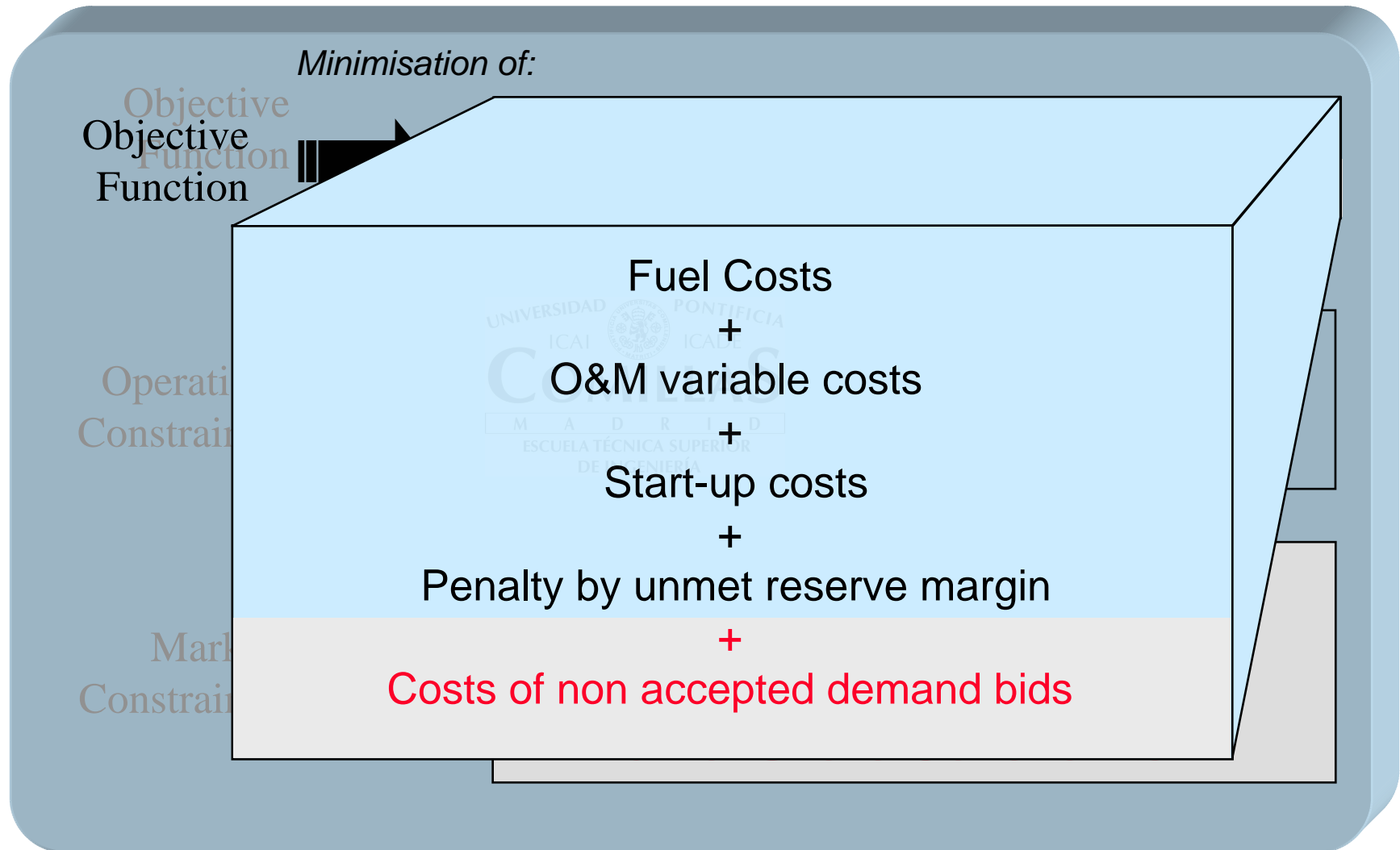
Marginal Revenue



Production cost model with Equilibrium Constraints



Objective Function



Operation Constraints

Minimisation of:

Objective
Function



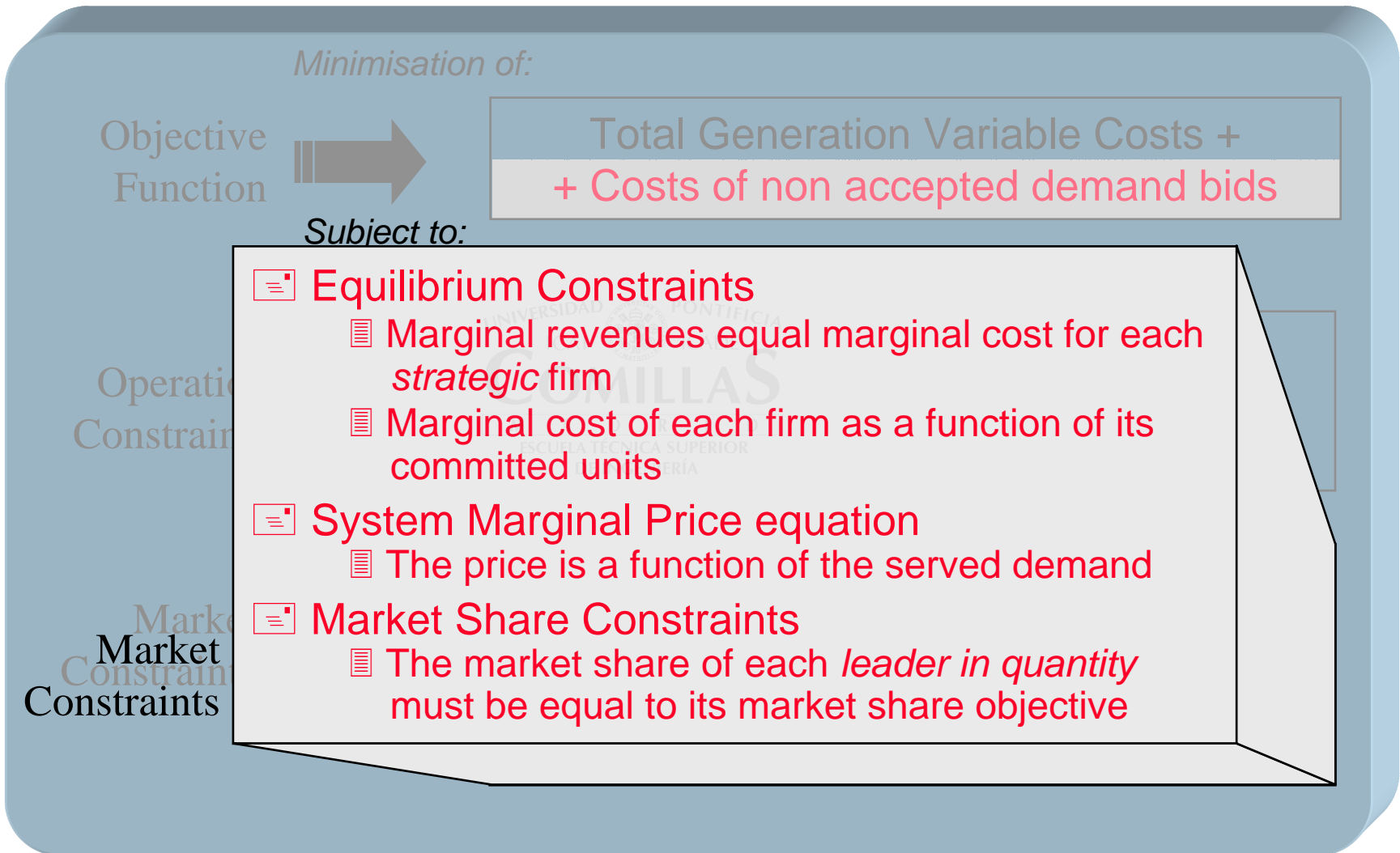
Total Generation Variable Costs +
+ Costs of non accepted demand bids

Subject to:

Operation
Constraints

- ☰ Interperiod Constraints
 - ☑ Hydro management
 - ☑ Seasonal operation of pumped-hydro units
 - ☑ Fuel management
 - ☑ Maintenance scheduling
- ☰ Intraperiod Constraints
 - ☑ Balance between generation and demand
 - ☑ Generation Limits
 - ☑ Daily/Weekly pumped-storage units
 - ☑ Reserve Margin

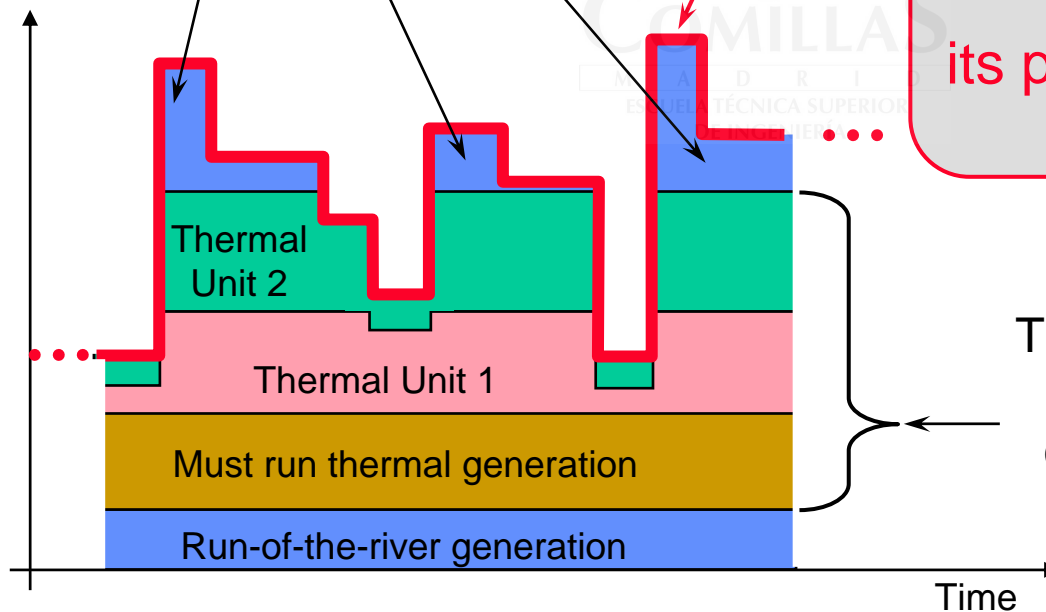
Market Constraints



How the Equilibrium Constraints Work

The **Cost Minimisation** achieves the cheapest feasible scheduling of hydro generation of each firm for the entire scope

Total Output of Firm e

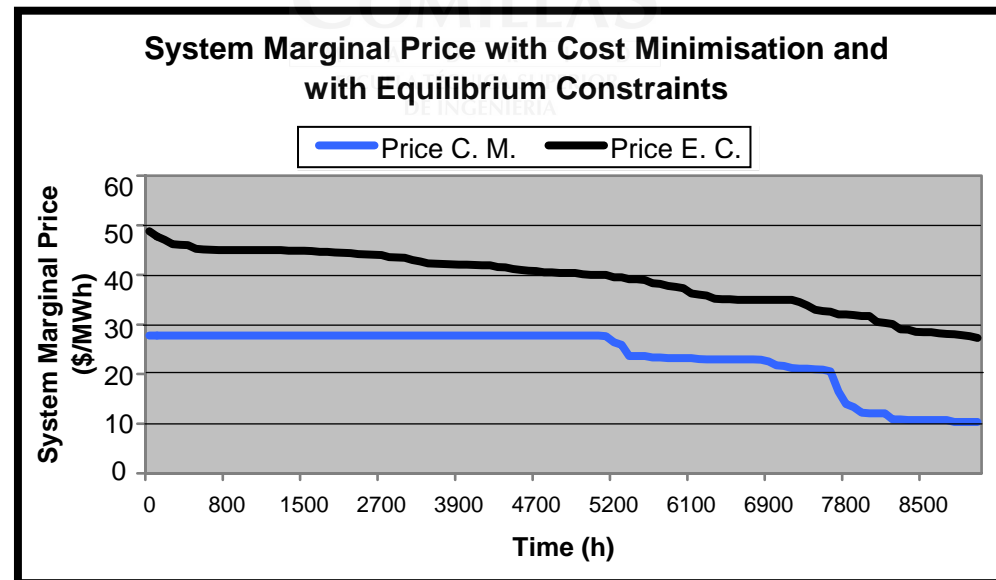


For each firm, the **Equilibrium Constraints** choose the output that maximises its profits for each load level

The **Cost Minimisation** achieves the cheapest feasible commitment of thermal units of each firm for each load level

Case Study

- It has been applied to the Spanish power market: 73 thermal units and 30 equivalent hydro units.
- The size of the MIP is 25,000 continuous variables, 2,000 binary variables and 33,000 constraints.



Further work in Market Equilibrium Constraints Model

- Iterative computation of the marginal cost of each company because it is not fully captured by the explicit constraints
- Improvement in hydrothermal coordination to get more realistic results in hydro production by companies

Model Applications

- Use of results for analyzing strategies:
 - ↳ In the **long term**, it is essential to find **specific quantities** in order to maximize the profit
 - ↳ In the **short term**, **forecasted prices** help in defining bidding tactics in the wholesale market

Market Equilibrium Constraints Model Summary

- **Maximize the producer profit** while taking into account **operation constraints**
- The equilibrium constraints implies only **minor modifications** to traditional models

Comparison of MCP and Market Equilibrium Constraints

- MCP represents more accurately and intuitively the market equilibrium
- Market Equilibrium Constraints Approach has a more detailed representation of the generation system as traditional operation planning models