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# *Good Optimization Modeling Practices with GAMS*

*All You Wanted to Know About Practical Optimization but Were Afraid to Ask*

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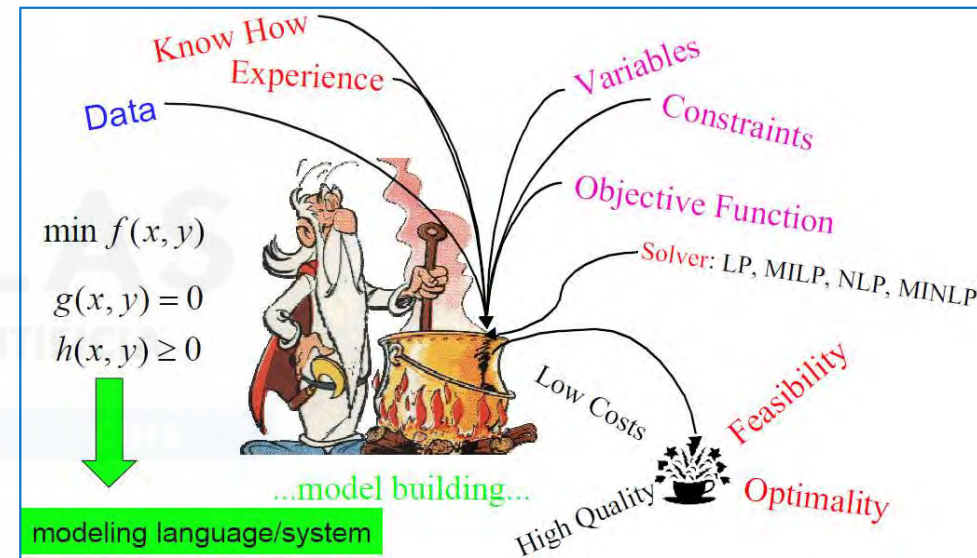
<https://www.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/>

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# Do not confuse the ingredients of the recipe

- Mathematical formulation
  - LP, MIP, NLP, QCP, MCP
- Algebraic modeling language
  - GAMS, Pyomo
- Solver
  - Gurobi, IBM CPLEX, HiGHS, PATH
- Optimization algorithm
  - Primal simplex, dual simplex, interior point
- Input/output interfaces
  - Text file, CSV, Microsoft Excel, Matlab, Microsoft Access
- Operating system
  - Windows, Linux, macOS
- Advanced algorithms
  - Benders decomposition, Lagrangian relaxation, genetic algorithms
- Stochastic extensions
  - EMP





TEPES Long-Term Transmission Expansion Planning Model for an Electric System



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<https://www.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/TEPES.htm>

Run

Load results

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Connect (data input and output)

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Performance Issues

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Advanced Algorithms

```
while (Life){
    live();
    laugh++;
    love=new love;
}
```

$$\sum_{i=t-TU_g^x+1}^t \sum_{y \in \mathcal{M}_g^{F,x}} v_{gi}^{yx} \leq u_{gt}^x \quad \forall g, x, t \in [TU_g^x, T] \quad (4)$$

$$\sum_{i=t-TD_g^x+1}^t \sum_{x \in \mathcal{M}_g^{F,y}} v_{gi}^{xy} \leq 1 - u_{gt}^x \quad \forall g, x, t \in [TD_g^x, T]. \quad (5)$$

Good Optimization Modeling Practice

\* bounds on variables
vProduct.up (sc,n,g) \$pScenProb(sc) = pMaxProd (g );
vConsump.up (sc,n,g) \$pScenProb(sc) = pMaxCons (g );
vProductl.up(sc,n,t) \$pScenProb(sc) = pMaxProd (t ); pMinProd(t);
vIG.up (sc,n ) \$pScenProb(sc) = pIntermGen (n,sc);
vENS.up (sc,n ) \$pScenProb(sc) = pDemand (n );
vReserve.up (sc,n,g) \$pScenProb(sc) = pMaxReserve(g );
vReserve.lo (sc,n,g) \$pScenProb(sc) = pMinReserve(g );

vCommitt.up ( n,g) = 1 ;
vStartup.up ( n,g) = 1 ;
vShutdown.up( n,g) = 1 ;

\* solve stochastic daily unit commitment model
solve SDUC using MIP minimizing vTotalVCost ;

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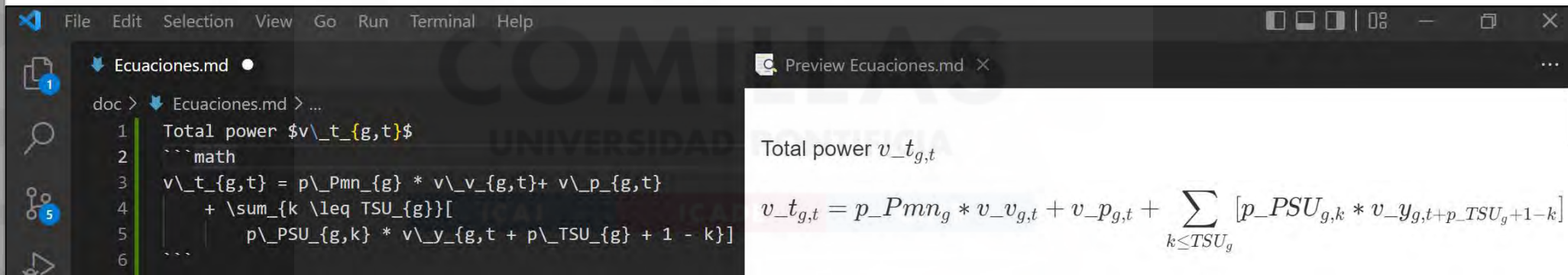


Programming Style

# Write the equations before trying to code them!!

Digital formats are useful for storing the documentation with the code

- Word: easy for beginners
- Markdown (or LaTeX):
  - Faster to write once you learn
  - Easy to keep track of changes using a repository
  - “Reusable” to produce code



```
doc > Ecuaciones.md > ...
1 Total power  $v_{t,g,t}$ 
2 
$$v_{t,g,t} = p_{Pmn,g} * v_{v,g,t} + v_{p,g,t}$$

3
4 + \sum_{k \leq TSU_g} [
5   p_{PSU,g,k} * v_{y,g,t + p_{TSU,g} + 1 - k}]
6 ...
```

Preview Ecuaciones.md

Total power  $v_{t,g,t}$

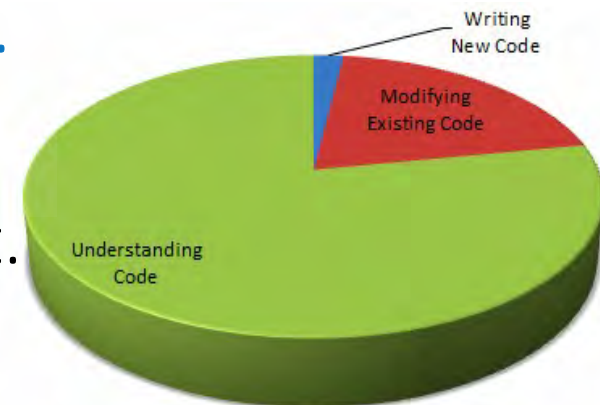
$$v_{t,g,t} = p_{Pmn,g} * v_{v,g,t} + v_{p,g,t} + \sum_{k \leq TSU_g} [p_{PSU,g,k} * v_{y,g,t + p_{TSU,g} + 1 - k}]$$

- Markdown:  $v_{t,g,t} = p_{Pmn,g} * v_{v,g,t} + v_{p,g,t}$
- GAMS:  $v_{t,g,t} = p_{Pmn,g} * v_{v,g,t} + v_{p,g,t}$
- Markdown :  $+ \sum_{k \leq TSU_g} [p_{PSU,g,k} * v_{y,g,t + p_{TSU,g} + 1 - k}]$
- GAMS:  $+ \text{sum}[\{k \leq TSU_g\}, p_{PSU,g,k} * v_{y,g,t + p_{TSU,g} + 1 - k}]$



# General recommendations

- Act according to the Pareto principle
  - It takes 20 % to create the **prototype**
  - 80 % of code development is devoted to **maintenance** and refinement
- **MAINTAINABILITY** and **reusability** are crucial
- Code is developed to be **read by humans, not by machines**. Write code **to understand the model, not to obscure it**.
- Say what you mean and directly.
- Don't stop with your first draft. Refine it.



Good Optimization M <http://blog.codinghorror.com/when-understanding-means-rewriting/>

Clarity  
Modularity  
Completeness  
Interoperability  
Maintainability  
Standardization

# Code style

- Any project manager ought to **define the style** before starting up a multiple-participant project (or maybe just for their help)
- Systematic and **consistent use of uppercase and lowercase letters**
  - Use lowercase letters instead of uppercase. We are more used to reading lowercase letters.
  - **GAMS doesn't distinguish them; you are responsible for always using the same.**
- **Clean code** and take care of the aesthetics when coding
  - Aesthetics is as important as the content. **The code must be read immediately.**
- **Format the code** to help the reader understand it.
  - **Indent** to show the logical structure of a program.
  - Keep **coherence in the coding rules** (indent in repetitive sentences)
  - **Align** code to show patterns.
  - Make reading easier (**parallelism** among consecutive similar sentences, indent)
- Use **meaningful and long names** for identifiers. The consistent use of identifiers in different parts of the code.




## Efficiency vs. Clarity

- Make it **clear and right before** you make it **faster**
- Keep it simple to make it faster
- Don't sacrifice clarity for small gains in efficiency





# Documentation. Comments

- It is a crucial task in code development
    - GAMS **was born to include documentation in the code explicitly.**
  - Code must be **self-documented**
  - **Illustrative comments** and well-localized
  - Make sure comments and code agree
  - Don't just echo the code with comments - make every comment count
  - Don't comment on lousy code or tricks - rewrite
  - **Don't patch the wrong code - rewrite it**
  - Don't over-comment
- 



## Procrastination

- Don't procrastinate when coding



NEVER LEAVE THAT  
TILL TOMORROW  
WHICH YOU CAN DO  
TODAY.

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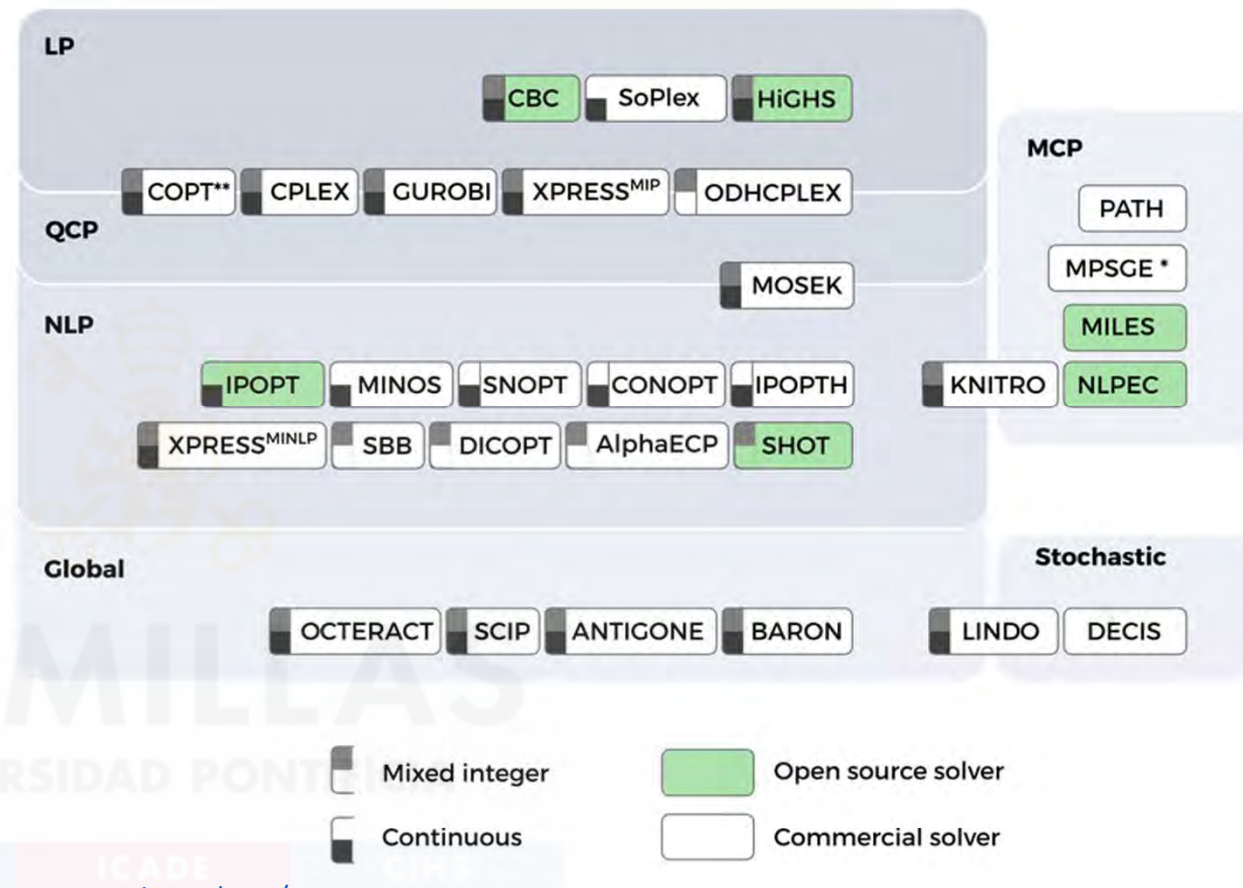
GAMS Code

Search, compare, and if you find something better, use it





# Solvers



<https://www.gams.com/blog/2022/09/an-overview-of-math-programming-solvers/>

\* MPSGE is not a solver, but a GAMS subsystem dedicated to solving economic equilibrium models

\*\* COPT does not handle MIQCPs

Fig. 1: Overview of the solvers included with GAMS. LP: Linear Program, QCP: Quadratically Constrained Program, NLP: Non-linear Program, MCP: Mixed Complementarity Program. Solvers that lie on the boundaries of two problem types are well suited to solve both problem types. Please note that this figure does not accurately reflect every solvers capabilities. Instead, it is meant to give a quick answer to the question: Which solver should I try first, given a problem class?



# Learning by reading first, and then by doing


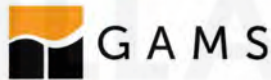


- GAMS Model Libraries

(<https://www.GAMS.com/modlibs/>)

- Decision Support Models in the Electric Power Industry  
(<https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/openmodels.htm>)

Open Power Systems Planning Models, Decision Support Models in Power Systems



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*StarGen Lite (Probabilistic Production Cost Model) demo Microsoft Excel version*

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- *gensSOLIC (Stochastic Daily Unit Commitment of Thermal and ESS Units) demo Python-Pyomo version (cav interface)*
- *StarGen Lite (Short Term Stochastic Daily Unit Commitment Model) demo GAMS version*
- *StarGen Lite (Short Term Stochastic Daily Unit Commitment Model) demo Python-Pyomo version (Microsoft Excel interface)*
- *StarGen Lite (Short Term Stochastic Daily Unit Commitment Model) demo Julia-JuMP version*

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*Medium-term Stochastic Hydrothermal Coordination Model* October 2020. *Stochastic Dual Dynamic Programming* January 2012. *Hydrothermal scheduling. A case study* January 2013.

- *StarGen Lite (Medium Term Stochastic Hydrothermal Coordination Model) demo GAMS version*

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# Primer on optimization

- Optimization techniques
  - <https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/OT.htm>
- Deterministic optimization cases
  - [https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/simio/transpa/s\\_OptimizationCases.pdf](https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/simio/transpa/s_OptimizationCases.pdf)
- Stochastic optimization cases
  - [https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/simio/transpa/s\\_StochasticOptimizationCases.pdf](https://pascua.iit.comillas.edu/aramos/simio/transpa/s_StochasticOptimizationCases.pdf)
- A GAMS Tutorial by Richard E. Rosenthal
  - [https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG\\_Tutorial.html](https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG_Tutorial.html)

# My first minimalist optimization model

```
positive variables x1, x2
variable z

equations of, e1, e2, e3 ;

of .. 3*x1 + 5*x2 =e= z ;
e1 .. x1 =l= 4 ;
e2 .. 2*x2 =l= 12 ;
e3 .. 3*x1 + 2*x2 =l= 18 ;

model minimalist / all /
solve minimalist maximizing z using LP
```

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x_1, x_2} z &= 3x_1 + 5x_2 \\ x_1 &\leq 4 \\ 2x_2 &\leq 12 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 &\leq 18 \\ x_1, x_2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Blocks in a GAMS model

- Mandatory
  - variables
  - equations
  - model
  - solve
- Optional
  - sets: (alias)
    - alias (i,j)  $i$  and  $j$  can be used indistinctly
    - Checking of domain indexes
  - data: scalars, parameters, table

## Transportation model

There are  $i$  can factories and  $j$  consumption markets. Each factory has a maximum capacity of  $a_i$  cases, and each market demands a quantity of  $b_j$  cases (it is assumed that the total production capacity is greater than the total market demand for the problem to be feasible). The transportation cost between each factory  $i$  and each market  $j$  for each case is  $c_{ij}$ . The demand must be satisfied at a minimum cost.

The decision variables of the problem will be cases transported between each factory  $i$  and each market  $j$ ,  $x_{ij}$ .



# My first transportation model (classical organization)

<https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/TransportModel.gms>

## sets

I origins / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /  
J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /

## parameters

pA(i) origin capacity  
/ VIGO 350  
ALGECIRAS 700 /  
  
pB(j) destination demand  
/ MADRID 400  
BARCELONA 450  
VALENCIA 150 /

## table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost

	MADRID	BARCELONA	VALENCIA
VIGO	0.06	0.12	0.09
ALGECIRAS	0.05	0.15	0.11

## variables

vX(i,j) units transported  
vCost transportation cost

## positive variable vX

## equations

eCost transportation cost  
eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin  
eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;

eCost .. sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) \* vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;  
eCapacity(i) .. sum[ j , vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;  
eDemand (j) .. sum[ i , vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;

## model mTransport / all /

solve mTransport using LP minimizing vCost

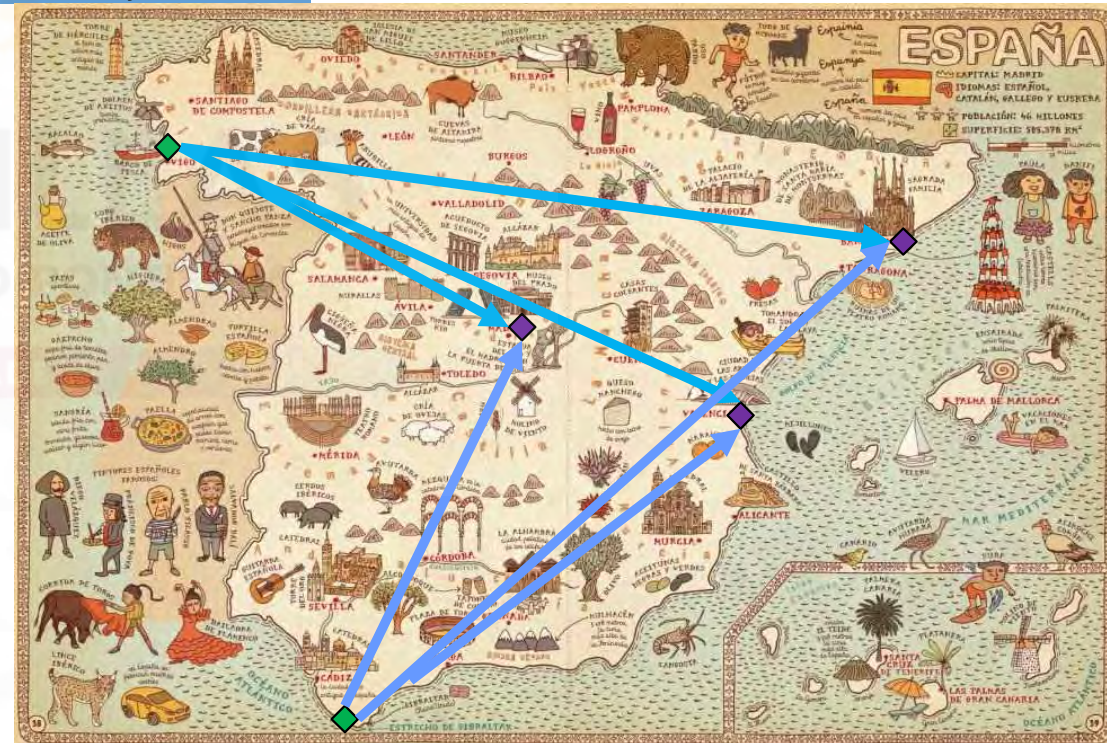
$$\min \sum_{ij} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sum_j x_{ij} \leq a_i \quad \forall i$$

$$\sum_i x_{ij} \geq b_j \quad \forall j$$

$$x_{ij} \geq 0$$

A. Mizielska y D. Mizielski Atlas del mundo: Un insólito viaje por las mil curiosidades y maravillas del mundo Ed. Maeva 2015



# General structure of GAMS sentences

- Commenting
  - Lines with **\*** in the first column
  - **\$OnText** **\$OffText** to comment on many lines
- No distinction between **uppercase** and **lowercase** letters
- **Parentheses** (), **square brackets** [], or **braces** {} can be used indistinctly to distinguish levels.
- **Language-reserved words** appear in bold
- Sentences end with a **“;”**
  - Can be suppressed when the following word is a reserved one (in **blue** (light theme) or **orange** (dark theme))

## Parentheses (), square brackets [] or braces {}

- Markdown/LaTeX/Pyomo do differentiate; keep in mind that you may want to reuse the code when choosing your style!
- Establish a style and be consistent
- Take advantage of the available option to differentiate operations and make the code easier to follow
- Suggestion:
  - Mathematical expressions:  $(A + B)$
  - Sets:  $A\{s\}$
  - Functions and conditions: `sum[..]`, `smax[..]`, `$[..]`
  - Example:
    - Just parentheses: `A = sum(s, B(s) * (C(s) + D(s)$ (condition(s))));`
    - Suggested option: `A = sum[s, B{s} * (C{s} + D{s}$[condition{s}])];`

With complex code  
makes it easier to follow

# Basic input/output in text format

- Data input from a text file

```
$include FileName.txt  
display IdentifierName (shows its content or value)
```

- Data output to a text file

```
file InternalName / ExternalName.txt /  
put      InternalName  
    put  IdentifierName  
putclose InternalName
```

ExternalName.txt is updated each time the instruction **putclose** is executed.

- Specific options to control the output format
  - Put Writing Facility



# Reporting of complex processes

- For long processes with multiple optimizations, it's useful to print intermediate data to a file to keep track of them.
- Text is written to the file each time the command `putclose` is used
- Use `Infoexecution.ap=1` to keep writing in the same file; otherwise, the file will be overwritten each time

```

1  Execution report example
2
3  Week solveStat modelStat optcr [%] Time [s]
4  w1      1.00      1.00      NA      0.09
5  w2      1.00      1.00      NA      0.09
6  w3      1.00      1.00      NA      0.11
7  w4      1.00      1.00      NA      0.12
8  w5      1.00      1.00      NA      0.09
    
```

```

1  scalar    s_jnow;
2  set       week /w1*w5/;
3  variables v_fob;
4  equations eq1;
5  eq1.. v_fob =G= 0;
6
7  model mod
8  /all/
9  ;
10
11 file InfoExecution / 'InfoExecution.out' /;
12 InfoExecution.lw=4;
13 InfoExecution.nd=2;
14 InfoExecution.nw=10;
15 put InfoExecution;
16 put "Execution report examplel"/;
17 put "Week solveStat modelStat optcr [%] Time [s]";
18 putclose InfoExecution;
19 InfoExecution.ap = 1;
20
21 loop (week,
22     s_jnow=jnow;
23     SOLVE mod minimizing v_fob using MIP;
24     s_jnow = [(jnow-s_jnow)*86400];
25     put InfoExecution;
26     put week.tl;
27     put mod.solveStat ;
28     put mod.modelStat ;
29     put ((100 * abs(mod.objest - mod.objval)
30         /(1e-10+abs(mod.objval))
31         )$[(1e-10+abs(mod.objval))]) ;
32     put s_jnow/;
33     putclose InfoExecution;
34 );
    
```



# Functions and operators

([https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG\\_Parameters.html#UG\\_Parameters\\_Functions](https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG_Parameters.html#UG_Parameters_Functions))

- `+`, `-`, `*`, `/`, `**` or `power(x,n)`
- `abs`, `arctan`, `sin`, `cos`, `ceil`, `floor`, `exp`, `log`, `log10`, `max`, `min`, `mod`, `round`, `sign`, `sqr`, `sqrt`, `trunc`, `normal`, `uniform`
- `gyear`, `gmonth`, `gday`, `ghour`, `gminute`, `gsecond`, `gdow`, `gleap`, `jdate`, `jnow`, `jstart`, `jtime`
- `lt` `<`, `gt` `>`, `eq` `=`, `ne` `<>`, `le` `<=`, `ge` `>=`
- `not`, `and`, `or`, `xor`
- `diag(set_element, set_element)={1,0}`
- `sameas(set_element, set_element)={T,F}`
- `ord`, `card` ordinal and cardinal of a set, `SetName.pos` ordinal of a set
  - `set.ord` and `ord(set)` are valid, but only `card(set)` is valid
- `sum`, `prod`, `smax`, `smin`
- `inf`, `eps`, `pi` are valid as data

## Model temporal license

`abort $[jstart > jdate(2021,11,21)] 'License for this model has expired and it cannot be used any more. Contact the developers'`

# \$ Operator in assignments, summations, constraints

- Sets a condition

`$(value > 0)`

`$(number1 <> number2)`

- **On the left** of an assignment (`p$[condition]=v`), it does the assignment **ONLY** if the condition is satisfied

```
if (condition,  
    DO THE ASSIGNMENT  
);
```

- **On the right** of an assignment (`p=v$[condition]`), it does the assignment **ALWAYS**, and if the condition is not satisfied, it assigns a value of 0

```
if (condition,  
    DO THE ASSIGNMENT  
else  
    ASSIGNS VALUE 0  
);
```

- Conditions to parts:  $a = b + c \$[d]$ . If  $d=\text{true}$ , then  $a = b + c$ . If  $d=\text{false}$ , then  $a = b$ .
- Useful to avoid division by zero  $a = b + (c/d) \$[d \neq 0]$ .



## Existence vs. value=0

- Be careful with **eps** values when protecting against divisions by 0. The two checking options there are:
  - 1:  $(a/b) \text{ } \$[b]$  **problematic if  $b=\text{eps}$**
  - 2:  $(a/b) \text{ } \$[b <> 0]$  works every time, protecting the division even if  $b=\text{eps}$

Entry	Name	Type		eps	0
2	comprobacion	Set	existe	10	1
1	nulo	Set	distinto	1	1
3	par	Parameter			

```
sets
nulo          /eps,0/
comprobacion /existe,distinto/
;
parameters
par(comprobacion,nulo)
;

par(comprobacion,nulo)=1;

par('existe' , 'eps')$[eps ] = 10 ;

par('existe' , '0' )$[0 ] = 10 ;
par('distinto', 'eps')$[eps <> 0] = 10 ;
par('distinto', '0' )$[0 <> 0] = 10 ;
```



## Dynamic sets

- Efficiency is strongly related to the use of dynamic sets
- Subsets of static sets whose content may change by assignments

```
sets d      months /d1*d7/  
    ed(d) even days  
display d;  
ed(d) $[mod(ord(d),2) = 0] = yes;  
display ed;  
ed('d3') = yes;  
display ed;  
ed(d) $[ord(d) = 4] = no;  
display ed;
```

```
----      41 SET d      months  
d1,    d2,    d3,    d4,    d5,    d6,    d7  
  
----      43 SET ed even days  
d2,    d4,    d6  
  
----      45 SET ed even days  
d2,    d3,    d4,    d6  
  
----      47 SET ed even days  
d2,    d3,    d6
```

- Fundamental elements in developing GAMS models
- Must be used systematically to avoid the formulation of superfluous equations, variables, or assignments



According to legend **Roland's** Breach was cut by Count Roland with his sword **Durendal** to destroy that sword, after being defeated during the Battle of **Roncesvalles** in 778.





## Index shifting. Lag and lead

- $t = J, F, MAR, AP, MAY, JUN, JUL, AU, S, O, N, D$   
 $vReserve(t-1) + pInflow(t) - vOutflow(t) = vReserve(t)$
- Vector values out of the domain are 0  
 $0 + pInflow('J') - vOutflow('J') = vReserve('J')$
- Circular sequence of an index (++, --)  
 $t = J, F, MAR, AP, MAY, JUN, JUL, AU, S, O, N, D$   
 $vReserve(t--1) + pInflow(t) - vOutflow(t) = vReserve(t)$   
 $vReserve('D') + pInflow('J') - vOutflow('J') = vReserve('J')$
- Inverted order sequence of PP index even though  $t$  is traversed in increasing order  
 $PP(t+[card(t)-2*ord(t)+1])$



## Operations with sets

- Intersection

$$d(a) = b(a) * c(a)$$

- Union

$$d(a) = b(a) + c(a)$$

- Complementary

$$d(a) = \text{NOT } c(a)$$

- Difference

$$d(a) = b(a) - c(a)$$

## These constructs also exist in GAMS

```
loop (set,  
);
```

```
while (condition,  
);
```

```
repeat  
until condition;
```

```
if (condition,  
else  
);
```

```
for (i=beginning to/downto end by increment,  
);
```

**Break**  
**Continue**

Jump out of the cycle

# Efficiency in GAMS code usage (loop)

```
set i / 1*2000 /  
alias (i,ii)  
parameter X(i,i)
```

```
loop ((i,ii),  
      X(i,ii) = 4 ;  
    ) ;
```

75.3 s

```
set i / 1*2000 /  
alias (i,ii)  
parameter X(i,i) ;
```

```
X(i,ii) = 4 ;
```

0.3 s

If you think you need a loop, **Think again!**

Among all the times a loop can be used, situations where they are needed are scarce.



## Efficiency in GAMS code usage (index order)

```
option Profile=10, ProfileTol=0.01
```

```
set i / 1*200 /
```

```
    j / 1*200 /
```

```
    k / 1*200 /
```

```
parameter X(k,j,i), Y(i,j,k) ;
```

```
Y(i,j,k) = 2 ;
```

```
X(k,j,i) = Y(i,j,k)
```

4.5 s

```
option Profile=10, ProfileTol=0.01
```

```
set i / 1*200 /
```

```
    j / 1*200 /
```

```
    k / 1*200 /
```

```
parameter X(i,j,k), Y(i,j,k) ;
```

```
Y(i,j,k) = 2 ;
```

```
X(i,j,k) = Y(i,j,k)
```

1.3 s

# Efficiency in GAMS code usage (condition checking)

```
scalar s_jnow;  
sets i /1*1000/  
      j /1*1000/  
      k /1*1000/;  
Parameter p_P {i,j,k}  
          p_Conc{i };  
p_Conc{'1'}=3;  
s_jnow=jnow;
```

```
p_P{i,j,k}$[p_cond{i}=3]=1;  
s_jnow = [(jnow-s_jnow)*86400];
```

Condition checked  $i*j*k=10^9$  times  
40.017s

```
scalar s_jnow;  
sets i /1*1000/  
      j /1*1000/  
      k /1*1000/;  
Parameter p_P {i,j,k}  
          p_Conc{i };  
p_Conc{'1'}=3;  
s_jnow=jnow;
```

```
set fix{i};  
fix{i}$[p_Conc{i}=3]=yes;  
p_P{fix{i},j,k}=1;  
s_jnow = [(jnow-s_jnow)*86400];
```

Condition checked  $i=10^6$  times  
0.082s

Dynamic sets are your friends!!



## Observer effect

- Changes that the act of observation will make on a phenomenon being observed

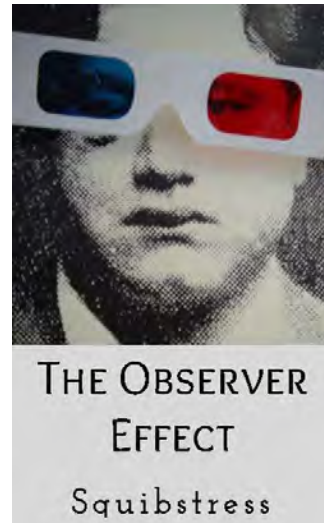
```
option Profile=10, ProfileTol=0.01
```

```
set i / 1*2000 /  
alias (i,ii)  
parameter X(i,i)  
  
loop ((i,ii),  
      X(i,ii) = 4 ;  
) ;
```

74.2 s

```
set i / 1*2000 /  
alias (i,ii)  
parameter X(i,i)  
  
loop ((i,ii),  
      X(i,ii) = 4 ;  
) ;
```

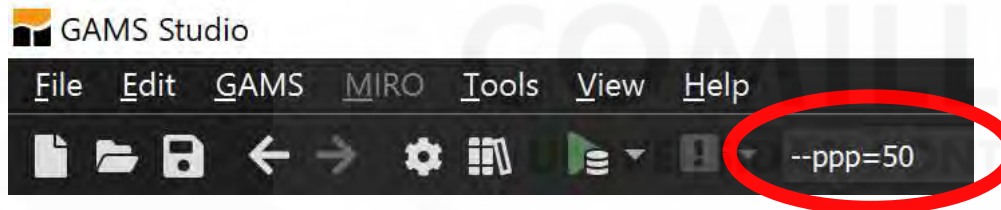
72.9 s



# Introducing flexibility

```
$SetGlobal ppp 100  
  
parameter pDimension / %ppp% /  
set u      / unit1*unit%ppp% /  
  
display pDimension, u
```

Alternative, modify the value from the command line.



ppp defined from the command line:

-> pDimension = 50

command line is empty

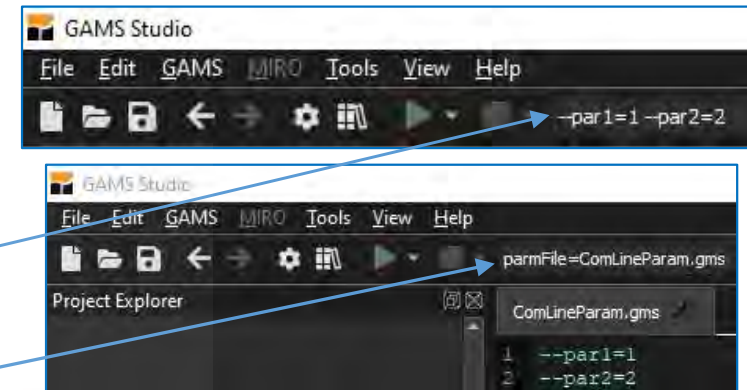
-> pDimension = 100



## Execution options and parameters

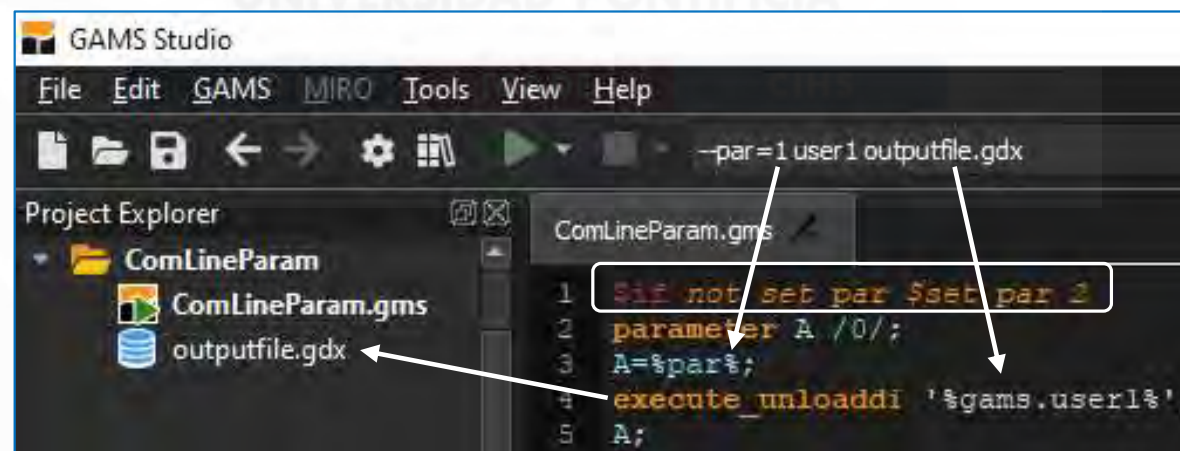
Passing parameters to a GAMS execution:

- Executing the model from the console (or from another software)
  - Syntax: "GAMS modelName.gms [parameters]"
  - GAMS directory must be included in the environment variables of the OS
- Executing the model from GAMS studio
  - Write parameters in the command line
- Define the parameters in a file, and send the file as a parameter to the execution from the command line or GAMS Studio: "parmFile=filename"
- Option parameters: parameters to control the execution such as the type of log (logOption=4), the depth of the profiling (profile=1), or defining a save file for the execution (-save the file.g00).
  - A complete list of options is here: [https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG\\_GamsCall.html](https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG_GamsCall.html)
- User-defined parameter: can store numeric values or strings. Definition "userN=value". Usage in the code %GAMS.userN% (substitute N by a number from 1 to 5).
- Double dash parameters: like user-defined parameters, but there is no limit; the names can be specified and can only store numeric values. Definition "--name=value". Usage in the code %name%.



## Execution options and parameters

- Both user-defined and double-dash parameters are substituted in the code by their values at compilation time.
- For example, during the compilation time, the following substitutions are performed:
  - %GAMS.user1% is substituted by outputfile.gdx (defined in the command line with user1)
  - %par% is substituted by 1 (defined in the command line with -par)
- It is possible to include a check in the code to assign default values when parameters are not defined in the command line. In the example, the first line establishes that when par is not set, it should be set equal to 2



The screenshot shows the GAMS Studio interface. The command line at the top contains the command: `--par=1 user1 outputfile.gdx`. The Project Explorer on the left shows a project named 'ComLineParam' containing two files: 'ComLineParam.gms' and 'outputfile.gdx'. The main editor window displays the code in 'ComLineParam.gms' with the following lines:

```
1 if not set par $set par 2
2 parameter A /0/;
3 A=%par%;
4 execute_unloadl1 '%gams.user1%',
5 A;
```

Annotations with arrows point from the command line to the code: one arrow points from 'user1' to the file path in line 4, and another arrow points from 'par=1' to the conditional statement in line 1.

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# Detection of isolated subnetworks



```
$Phantom null

sets
nd          nodes          / node01 * node19 /
ndref (nd)   current   reference node / node01 /
refnd (nd)   subset of reference nodes / node01 /
nc (nd)      current   connected nodes / null /
nod (nd)     subset of connected nodes / null /
ln (nd,nd)   lines
subnet(nd,nd,nd) subnetworks

parameters
pAux1 auxiliary / 0 /
pAux2 auxiliary / 1 /

alias (nd,n1,n2,ni,nf)

file out / out.gms / put out ;

* create a naïve network, a chain
ln(ni,nf) $[ni.pos = nf.pos-1] = yes ;

* break these links
ln('node10','node11') = no ;
ln('node15','node16') = no ;

* detection of isolated subnetworks

* for every subnetwork => max number of iterations
loop (n1 $[sum(nod(nd), 1) < card(nd)],

* define the reference node for 2nd+ iterations
ndref(nd) $[n1.pos > 1 and not refnd(nd) and nd.pos = smin(n2 $[not nod(n2)], n2.pos)] = yes ;

* empty the set of connected nodes
nc(nd) = no ;
* connect the reference node
nc(ndref) = yes ;

pAux2 = 1 ;

* for every node => max number of iterations
loop (n2 $pAux2,
* count the number of connected nodes
pAux1 = sum[nc, 1] ;
* add nodes to the set of already connected nodes
nc(nf) $ sum[nc $[ln(nc,nf) or ln(nf,nc)], 1] = yes ;
* count the new added nodes
pAux2 $[sum[nc, 1] - pAux1 = 0] = 0 ;

if (pAux2 = 0,
* subnetwork of the connected lines to a reference node
subnet(ln(nc,nf),ndref) = yes ;
subnet(ln(nf,nc),ndref) = yes ;
* subnetwork of the connected nodes
nod ( nc ) = yes ;
* subnetwork of the reference nodes
refnd ( ndref ) = yes ;
);
display subnet, nod, refnd ;

* disconnect the reference node
ndref(nd) = no ;
);
```



# Inverting a matrix, e.g., PTDF

```

set i / i1*i3 /

table a(i,i) matrix to invert
  i1 i2 i3
i1  1
i2   3
i3   5

parameter ainv(i,i) inverted matrix

execute_unload      'GDXForInverse.gdx' i a
executeTool.checkErrorLevel 'linalg.invert i a ainv -gdxIn=GDXForInverse.gdx -gdxOut=GDXFromInverse.gdx'
execute_load        'GDXFromInverse.gdx' ainv
execute             'del GDXForInverse.gdx GDXFromInverse.gdx'
    
```

*\* computation of the susceptance matrix of the corridors*

```

pYBUS(c2) = - sum[la(c2,cc), 1/pLineX(la)] ;
pYBUS(nf,ni) $c2(ni,nf) = pYBUS(ni,nf) ;
pYBUS(nf,nf) = - sum[ni, pYBUS(ni,nf)] ;
pYBUS(ni,ndref(nd)) = 0 ;
pYBUS(ndref(nd),nf) = 0 ;
pYBUS(ni,nd) $[not nc(ni)] = 0 ;
pYBUS(nd,nf) $[not nc(nf)] = 0 ;
    
```

*\* obtaining the inverse of pYBUS and saving it into pYBUSInv*

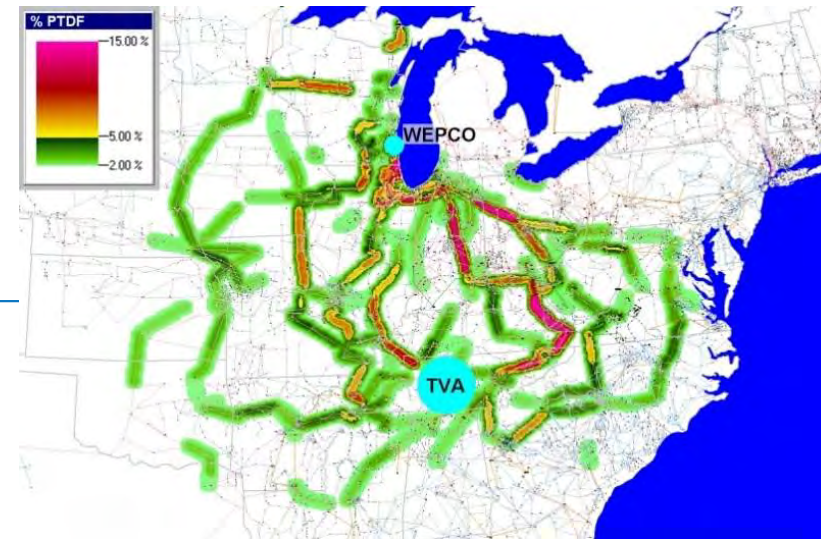
```

execute_unload      'GDXForInverse.gdx' noref pYBUS
executeTool.checkErrorLevel 'linalg.invert noref pYBUS pYBUSInv -gdxIn=GDXForInverse.gdx -gdxOut=GDXFromInverse.gdx'
execute_load        'GDXFromInverse.gdx' pYBUSInv
execute             'del GDXForInverse.gdx GDXFromInverse.gdx' ;
    
```

*\* computation of the PTDF matrix*

```

pPTDF(la(ni,nf,cc),ngd) = [pYBUSInv(ni,ngd) - pYBUSInv(nf,ngd)]/pLineX(la) + eps ;
    
```

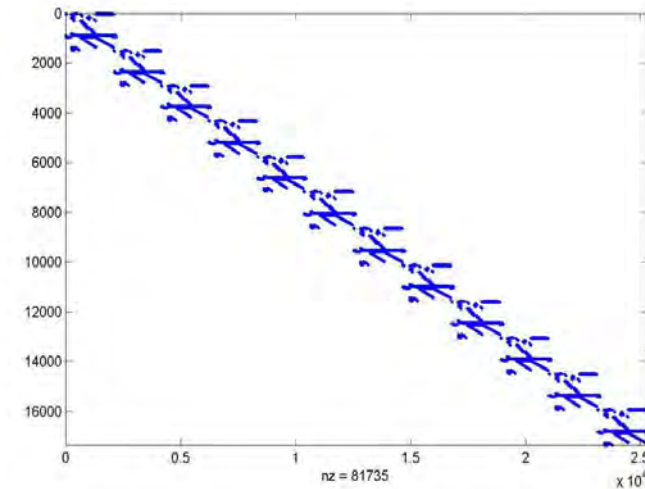


CAUTION

## Observe the constraint matrix

- It is important to know the **estimated size** of the optimization problem and its dependence considering the core elements
- It can be used for **detecting formulation errors**
- Use **LimRow/LimCol**
- Suitable to know the constraint matrix structure (**GAMSChk**)

**option** LP=GAMSChk



### D. Scaling - Maximum & Minimum Coefficients by Block -- Strip 1

		V T O t a l V C o s	V P r o d u c t C o	V R e s e r v e	V S p l a n t C o	V A r c	V E n s	V P n s	V P r o d u c t C o	V R A C S l a c k	V I r r i g a t i o	V C o m m i t t	R H S	E q u
eTotalVCos	Max	1	26.07	4.6E-06	4.6E-06		630	30	1.081	230			3.083E-03	630
	Min	1	1.154E-03	1.231E-09	1.231E-09		0.4	0.3	8.75E-06	2.3			3.083E-03	1.231E-09
eOpReserve	Max							1				0.765	1.975	1
	Min											7.44E-04	0.375	7.44E-04
eBalance	Max		1				1						10.76	1
	Min		1				1						5.11	1
eVirPlants	Max		29.36										1	29.36
	Min		1.308										1	1.308
eMaxOutput	Max		1344									1		1344
	Min		1.308									1		1
eProductCo	Max		1						1					1
	Min		1						1					1
eOTRateCon	Max								1.207E-02				5.49E-03	1.207E-02
	Min								.0075				1.458E-04	.0075
eFuelOTRat	Max		1.393E-02										3.98E-03	1.393E-02
	Min		7.59E-03										1.104E-03	7.59E-03
eFuelAvail	Max		0.815										.0005	0.815
	Min		3.096E-02										.0005	3.096E-02
eWtReserve	Max		0.512		1	1	1				1		5.18	1
	Min		1.478E-03		1	1	1				1		6.66E-06	1.478E-03
eMaxFlow	Max		0.512										0.59	0.512
	Min		1.478E-03										3.28E-03	1.478E-03
eRAC	Max			4.6									12.76	4.6
	Min			.1231									4	.1231
eSCmin	Max		.0652										0.575	.0652
	Min		2.678E-04										0.486	2.678E-04
eSCmax	Max		0.578										1.08	0.578
	Min		1.936E-05										3.97E-04	1.936E-05
eGmin	Max		1										0.312	1
	Min		1										0.15	1
eGmax	Max		1										0.313	1
	Min		1										0.313	1
Total Var	Max	1	1344	4.6	1	1	630	30	1.081	230	1	1	12.76	
	Min	1	1.936E-05	1.231E-09	1.231E-09	1	0.4	0.3	8.75E-06	1	1	7.44E-04	6.66E-06	

Source: MPES





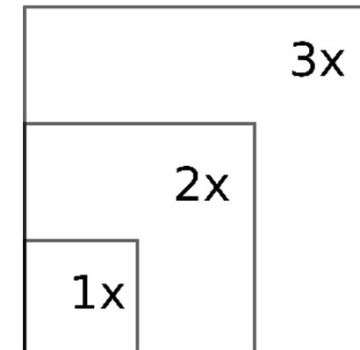
# Analytical number of equations/variables for MHE

		Ecuaciones
Función objetivo	1	1
Balance demanda	$PP'S$	2000
Producción térmica subperiodo	$P(P' - 1)ST$	240000
Producción hidráulica subperiodo	$P(P' - 1)SH$	100000
Bombeo hidráulica subperiodo	$P(P' - 1)SH'$	20000
Horas por escenario	$PST$	120000
Horas mínimas y máximas por escenario	$2ST$	12000
Horas mínimas y máximas todos escenarios	$2T$	240
Balance embalses	$PSE$	50000
Gasto del embalse por central	$PSEH$	250000
Gasto total del embalse	$PSE$	50000
Bombeo desde el embalse	$PSE'$	10000
Desvío gasto embalse	$PSE$	50000
Reserva final embalse	$SE$	2500
Reserva mínima y máxima embalse	$2PSE$	100000
TOTAL		1006741

			Variables
Producción térmica	$pt_{pp't}^s$	$PP'ST$	240000
Producción hidráulica	$ph_{pp'h}^s$	$PP'SH$	100000
Producción del bombeo	$pb_{pp'h}^s$	$PP'SH'$	20000
Vertido del embalse	$v_{pe}^s$	$PSE$	50000
Reserva artificial del embalse	$ra_{pe}^s$	$PSE$	50000
Reserva del embalse	$r_{pe}^s$	$PSE$	50000
Defecto y exceso de entre reservas consecutivas	$dr_{pe}^s, er_{pe}^s$	$2PSE$	100000
Defecto y exceso de reserva	$dr_e^s, er_e^s$	$2SE$	5000
Defecto de reserva mínima y exceso de reserva máxima	$drm_{pe}^s, erm_{pe}^s$	$2PSE$	100000
Horas de funcionamiento por periodo	$hr_{pt}^s$	$PST$	120000
Defecto y exceso de horas de funcionamiento por periodo	$dhr_{pt}^s, ehr_{pt}^s$	$2PST$	240000
Defecto y exceso de horas de funcionamiento	$dhn_t^s, ehx_t^s$	$2ST$	12000
Gasto del embalse por central	$g_{peh}^s$	$PSEH$	250000
Gasto del embalse	$g_{pe}^s$	$PSE$	50000
Consumo del bombeo	$b_{pe}^s$	$PSE'$	10000
TOTAL			1397000

CAUTION

# Scaling



- Solvers are powerful but not magic
- Input data and output results must be in commonly used units
- But **internally, variables, equations, and parameters must be around 1** (i.e., from 0.01 to 100). The ratio of the largest to smallest matrix coefficient should be  **$< 10^5$**
- Scaling can be done:
  - Manually (e.g., from MW to GW, from € to M€). **Modelers can typically do better because they know the problem**
  - Automatically by the language (ModelName.ScaleOpt=1)
  - By the solver (**ScaInd 1** in CPLEX, **ScaleFlag 2** in Gurobi)
- Especially useful in large-scale LP problems or NLP problems and/or when willing to get the dual variables
- The **condition number** measures the **sensitivity** of the solution of a system of linear equations to **errors in the data**.
  - It is the ratio between the largest and smallest eigenvalues
- Condition numbers  **$< 10^6$**  are good enough. Numerical problems arise for condition numbers  $> 10^8$  (**ill-conditioned**)
  - **Quality 1** in CPLEX
  - **Kappa 1** in Gurobi

**Feasibility, optimality, and integrality tolerances** should be less than the smallest meaningful coefficient in the model. Source: Gurobi

Models with **numerical issues can lead to undesirable results**: slow performance, wrong answers, or inconsistent behavior. Source: Gurobi



CAUTION

## How big is a big optimization problem

- Memory requirements for **loading** the model (solver)
  - 1 GB for every 1 million rows
- Memory requirements for **solving** the model (solver)
  - Depends on the difficulty of solving the model
    - The **integrality gap** is a good performance measure for MIP problems

THIS IS BIG



# Avoid creation of superfluous constraints and variables

- Or how to achieve a **compact** formulation (small size of the constraint matrix or small density)
- Some “redundant” constraints can introduce a **tighter** model; see later
- However, introduce logical conditions (with a **\$ in GAMS**) in the creation of equations or the use of variables to avoid superfluous ones
- Reduction rules: mathematical reasoning or common sense based on the problem context
  - Flows by nonexistent connections in a network
- Solvers can detect some of these superfluous equations/variables, but it is more efficient to avoid their creation (pre-processing)
- **Profile, ProfileTol**

# Compilation time vs. execution time

- GAMS compiles the entire code and then executes it.
- Some functions are only available for compilation or execution. In contrast, others have two versions (executing external code can be performed with “\$call” (compilation time) or “execute” (execution time). Data from a GDX can be read with “\$GDXin” and “\$load” (compilation time) or execute\_load (execution time), etc.
- It is essential to understand these two phases and make the proper choices.
  - For example, when using GDXs as input/output files, usually the read operation is performed during compilation (otherwise, GAMS would give a compilation error because sets and parameters are empty), and write operations are performed during execution (because until the model is executed, there are no values for the variables)

```
*Include files
$include 'file.gms'
```

```
*GDX reading: It is important to read
* domains (sets) before parameters
$GDXin 'file.gdx'
$loaddc s
$loaddc p_P
$GDXin
```

```
*Use code depending on parameters
*If condition is not satisfied code is not executed
* and not checked (this allows to have different
* definitions that may raise compilation error if
* the execution time version of the if was used)
$ifthen %executionType% == 1
p_P = 7;
$elseif %executionType% == 2
p_P = 0;
$endif
```

```
*execute external programs
*(included other GAMS instances)
$call 'GAMS nameModel.gms'
```

```
*Perform operations with data
* available at compilation time
set d 'days' /1*7/;
$eval hours 24*card(d)
*nº hours = 24 * nº days
set h 'hours' /1*%hours%/;
```

# Compilation time vs. execution time

## Using \$call for data processing

- We receive a GDX file (original.gdx) that contains a set  $w$  with some elements.
- For our execution, we want  $w$  to contain the original elements plus others ( $ad1*ad5$ ).
- We want the code to be generic
  - Hardcoding the name of the original  $w$  elements is not acceptable.

	Comp/exe time	mainFile.gms	updateW.gms	createGDX.gms (temporal file)
1	Comp	Executes updateW.gms		
2	Comp		Reads $w$ from original.gdx	
3	Exe		Writes createGDX.gms with all desired $w$ elements	
4	Exe		Executes createGDX.gms	
5	Exe			Creates $w$ .gdx
6	Comp	Reads $w$ .gdx with all desired $w$ elements		

- This example gives an idea of the options that the combination of \$call, execute and put can provide. However, a much simpler option is available for this case: use \$onmulty to add new elements to  $w$ .

```
*mainFile.gms
set w;
$call 'GAMS updateW.gms'
$GDXin 'w.gdx'
$load w
$GDXin
```

```
*updateW.gms
set w;
$GDXin 'original.gdx'
$load w
$GDXin
file createGDX /'createGDX.gms'/;
put createGDX;
put "set w /" ;
loop(w,
    put w.tl "," ;
);
put "ad1*ad5/";
put "execute_unload 'w.gdx'";
put "w/";
putclose createGDX;
execute 'GAMS createGDX.gms'
```

```
*mainFile.gms
set w;
$GDXin 'original.gdx'
$load w
$GDXin
$onmulty
set w /ad1*ad5/;
```

# Compilation time vs. execution time

## Using \$call for data processing

- Killing flies with a *cannon* (\$call+put+execute) is not a good idea...
- However, it may come in handy to know how to fire a *cannon*
- Using a *cannon* would be needed, for example, if we wanted the resulting set *w* to have the following:
  - All original elements except some of them
  - All original and new elements alternated

Order	Original w	New elements	Desired w
1	old1	ad1	old1
2	old2	ad2	ad1
3	old3	ad3	old2
4			ad2
5			old3
6			ad3

Order	Original w	New elements	Desired w
1	old1	ad1	old1
2	old2	ad2	ad1
3	old3	ad3	ad2
4			ad3
5			
6			



# Compilation time vs. execution time

Remember the order of the phases:

1<sup>st</sup> Compilation

2<sup>nd</sup> Execution

Execution does not start until compilation is done!!

Order in which the code is written:

1. Include w1 as element of w
2. Create a GDX file with the elements of w
3. Include w2 as element of w

Order in which the operations are performed when the file is run by GAMS

1. Include w1 as element of w
2. Include w2 as element of w
3. Create a GDX file with the elements of w

```
$onmulti
*include w1 as element of w during COMPILATION
Set
w /w1/
;

*create a GDX with all elements of w during EXECUTION
execute_unload 'setW.gdx',
w
;

*include w2 as element of w during COMPILATION
Set
w /w2/
;
```



Entry	Name	Type	Dim	Records
1	w	Set	1	2
	w1			Y
	w2			Y

## Using workfiles

**-save nameFile** (or **-s nameFile**)

It is a command line parameter that creates a workfile (**nameFile**) containing a snapshot of the GAMS execution estate.

**-restart nameFile** (or **-r nameFile**)

Loads a workfile created with **-save**

Options A and B have the exact same effect:

### Option A

GAMS OnlyFile.gms

```
*OnlyFile.gms
set s/s1/ ;
execute_unload 's.gdx', s ;
```

### Option B

GAMS FirstFile.gms -s estado.g00

GAMS SecondFile.gms -r estado.g00

```
*FirstFile.gms
set s/s1/;
```

```
*SecondFile.gms
execute_unload 's.gdx', s ;
```

# Deployment ready (using workfiles)

- Split formulation from data.
- Protect formulation confidentiality
- Secure Work Files
  - Control the access to symbol names
  - Link the model to a specific license

- Set declaration
- Parameter declaration
- Variables declaration
- Equations declaration
- Equations definition
- Model definition

Prepared  
to be  
deployed

- Include and manipulate input data: sets and parameters
- Bounds and initialization of variables
- Solve the optimization problem
- Output of the results

# Transportation model (ready for deployment)

**Formulation.gms**

```

sets
  I origins
  J destinations

parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity [kg]
  pB(j) destination demand [kg]
  pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost [€]

variables
  vX(i,j) units transported [kg]
  vCost transportation cost [€]

positive variable vX

equations
  eCost transportation cost [€]
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin [kg]
  eDemand(j) demand supply at destination [kg] ;

eCost .. sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) * vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;
eCapacity(i) .. sum[ j , vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;
eDemand(j) .. sum[ i, vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;

model mTransport / all /
    
```

**\$include Data.gms**

**Remaining.gms**

**solve** mTransport using LP minimizing vCost

**Data.gms**

```

sets
  I origins / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /

parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity [kg]
    / VIGO 350
    ALGECIRAS 700 /

  pB(j) destination demand [kg]
    / MADRID 400
    BARCELONA 450
    VALENCIA 150 /

table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost [€]
      MADRID BARCELONA VALENCIA
VIGO 0.06 0.12 0.09
ALGECIRAS 0.05 0.15 0.11
    
```

Generate the runtime model

GAMS Formulation.gms **Save=model**

Send model.g00

Execute runtime model + data

GAMS Remaining.gms **Restart=model**

# Debugging (Using workfiles)

- Suppose we have a process where, instead of a single execution with the whole-time horizon, several executions are run using a loop.
- If we detect a problem in execution  $N$ , we could run the model till that execution and then abort it. This way, we can restart from a separate file and focus only on the specific execution without having to solve all the previous ones again.

```
*mainFile.gms

*Declarations: sets, parameters, variables, equations
*Definitions: equations, model
*Load data

*Split a week-long execution in 7 solves for 1 day.
set
ej 'executions' /1*7/
ejh(ej,h) 'relation between execution and hours';
ejh(ej,h)=yes$[(ej.ord-1)*24 < h.ord
               and h.ord <= ej.ord*24];

loop(ej,
  if(ej.ord = N,
    abort ej;
  );
  ha(h)=yes$[ejh(ej,h)];
  solve modModelo minimizing v_fo using MIP;
  * Fix variables for ha
);
```

- 1) Add the abort to mainFile.gms
- 2) Run mainFile.gms with -s file.g00
- 3) Use debugFile.gms to debug, running it with -r file.g00
- 4) Repeat as many times as needed trying different options to find the error

```
*debugFile.gms

*modifications to try to find the error

loop(ej $[ej.ord >= N],
  ha(h)=yes$[ejh(ej,h)];
  solve modModelo minimizing v_fo using MIP;
  * Fix variables for ha
  if(ej.ord = N,
    abort ej;
  );
);
```



## Model log

- Open console from GAMSIDE for logging messages from the model
  - Code specific for Windows, UNIX/Linux/macOS

```
$set console
$if '%system.filesys%' == 'MSNT' $set console con
$if '%system.filesys%' == 'UNIX' $set console /dev/tty
$if '%console%.' == '.' abort 'console not recognized'

file console / '%console%' /

sets
  day day      / day01*day10 /
  sc  scenario / sc01* sc02 /

put console
loop ((day,sc),
  putclose 'Day ' day.tl:0 ' Scenario ' sc.tl:0 ' Elapsed Time ' [(jnow-jstart)*86400]:6:3 ' s' sleep(1)
) ;
```

```
$ifthen.MSNT '%system.filesys%' == 'MSNT'
  execute 'del pp.txt' ;
$endif.MSNT
$ifthen.UNIX '%system.filesys%' == 'UNIX'
  execute 'rm pp.txt' ;
$endif.UNIX
```

← Conditional compilation

# GAMS Code Conventions

- Must be defined in blocks. For example, a set and all its subsets should constitute one block in the sets section.
- Names are intended to be meaningful. **Follow conventions**
  - Items with the **same name** represent the **same concept** in different models
  - **Units** should be used in all definitions
  - Parameters are named **pParameterName** (e.g., pTotalDemand)
  - Variables are named **vVariableName** (e.g., vThermalOutput)
  - Equations are named **eEquationName** (e.g., eLoadBalance)
  - Use **short set names** (one or two letters) for easier reading
  - **Alias** duplicate the final letter (e.g., p, pp)
- Equations are laid out as clearly as possible, using brackets for readability
- In the case of variables, the blocks should be defined by meaning and not by variable type (**Free** (default), **Positive**, **Negative**, **Binary**, **Integer**, **SOS1**, **SOS2**, **SemiCont**, **SemiInt**). The objective function must be a free variable

Use of camelCase  
(uppercases to differentiate)  
Everything long and descriptive  
except sets, that are compact

Scalars: s\_name

Sets: n

Parameters: p\_NameName

Variables: v\_nameName

Equations: EQ\_NameName

Models: modNameName

## Example model: general structure

- Model information
- Declarations: scalar, sets, alias, variables, parameter, and equations
- Equation definition
- Model definition
- Model solve configuration
- Data input (preprocessed)
- Data processing strictly associated with the model
- Variable limits/fix values
- Model solving
- Data output

# Example model: declarations

## sets

```
sc
n
gg
gt
co
st
g
t
r
es
nr
;
```

## alias

```
(n,n2)
;
```

## parameters

```
pTimeStep
pStorageType
pENSCost
pCO2Cost
pDuration
pScenProb
pDemand
pOperReserveUp
pOperReserveDw
pEnergyInflows
pLinearVarCost
pConstantVarCost
pStartupCost
pShutDownCost
```

```
( gg)
( g )
( g )
( g )
( g )
( g )

' [h] TimeStep '
' [-] Storage type: 1-daily, 2-weekly, 3-monthly '
' [MEUR/GWh] cost of energy not served '
' [EUR/CO2t] cost of CO2 emission '
( n ) ' [h] duration of load levels '
( sc ) ' [p.u.] probabilities of scenarios '
( sc,n ) ' [GW] demand '
( sc,n ) ' [GW] operating reserve up '
( sc,n ) ' [GW] operating reserve down '
( sc,n,gg ) ' [GW] dynamic energy inflows '
( gg ) ' [MEUR/GWh] linear term variable cost '
( gg ) ' [MEUR/h] constant term variable cost '
( gg ) ' [MEUR] startup cost '
( gg ) ' [MEUR] shutdown cost '
```

Vertical alignment  
improves readability

Definitions may become very large and require the use of the slider  
Having the units first makes it easier to consult

Units

Definitions

# Example model: declarations

```

pRampUp      (    gg) '[GW/h]    ramp up rate '
pRampDw      (    gg) '[GW/h]    ramp down rate '
pCO2EmissionRate (    gg) '[CO2t/MWh] emission rate '
pUpTime      (    gg) '[h]      minimum up time '
pDwTime      (    gg) '[h]      minimum down time '
pInitialInventory (    gg) '[GWh]    initial ESS storage '
pEfficiency   (    gg) '[p.u.]   ESS efficiency '
pMaxPower2ndBlock (sc,n,gg) '      pMaxPower - pMinPower '
pMinPower     (sc,n,gg)
pCycleTimeStep (    gg)
pInitialUC    (    gg)
pInitialOutput (    gg)
;
variables
vObjective    '[MEUR]    Objective: total system cost'
;
positive variables
vTotalVCost   '[MEUR]    Total system variable cost '
vTotalECost   '[MEUR]    Total system emission cost '
vTotalOutput  (sc,n,gg) '[GW]      Total output of the unit '
vOutput2ndBlock (sc,n,gg) '[GW]      Second block of the unit '
vReserveUp    (sc,n,gg) '[GW]      Operating reserve up '
vReserveDown  (sc,n,gg) '[GW]      Operating reserve down '
vESSInventory (sc,n,gg) '[GWh]     ESS inventory '
vESSSpillage  (sc,n,gg) '[GWh]     ESS spillage '
vESSCharge    (sc,n,gg) '[GW]      ESS charge power '
vENS          (sc,n    ) '[GW]      Energy not served in node '
;
binary variables
vCommitment  (    n,gg) '      Commitment of the unit'
vStartUp     (    n,gg) '      StartUp of the unit'
vShutDown    (    n,gg) '      ShutDown of the unit'
;

```



# Example model: equation definition

```

equations
eTotalTCost      '[MEUR]  Objective functio[n] total system cost '
eTotalVCost      '[MEUR]  total system variable cost '
eTotalECost      '[MEUR]  total system emission cost '
eOperReserveUp   (sc,n) '[GW]  up operating reserve '
eOperReserveDw   (sc,n) '[GW]  down operating reserve '
eBalance         (sc,n) '[GW]  load generation balance '
eESSInventory     (sc,n,gg) '[GWh] ESS inventory balance '
eMaxOutput2ndBlock (sc,n,gg) '[p.u.] max output of the second block of a committed unit'
eMinOutput2ndBlock (sc,n,gg) '[p.u.] min output of the second block of a committed unit'
eTotalOutput      (sc,n,gg) '[GW]  total output of a unit '
eUCStrShut        ( n,gg) '      relation among commitment startup and shutdown '
eRampUp           (sc,n,gg) '[p.u.] maximum ramp up '
eRampDw           (sc,n,gg) '[p.u.] maximum ramp down '
eMinUpTime        ( n,gg) '[h]  minimum up time '
eMinDownTime      ( n,gg) '[h]  minimum down time '
;

***** Objective function *****
*Objective function total system cost [MEUR]
eTotalTCost..
    vObjective =E= vTotalVCost + vTotalECost
;

*total system variable cost [MEUR]
eTotalVCost..
    vTotalVCost =E=
        sum[(sc,n), pScenProb(sc) * pDuration(n) * pENSCost * vENS (sc,n)]
        + sum[(sc,n,nr(g)), pScenProb(sc) * pDuration(n) * pLinearVarCost (g) * vTotalOutput(sc,n,g)]
        + sum[( n,nr(g)),
            pDuration(n) * pConstantVarCost(g) * vCommitment ( n,g)
            + pStartupCost (g) * vStartup ( n,g)
            + pShutDownCost (g) * vShutDown ( n,g)]
;
    
```

Align concepts within equations  
and for different but similar  
ones

# Example model: equation definition

```

*total system emission cost [MEUR]
eTotalECost..
    vTotalECost =E= sum[(sc,n,nr(g)), pScenProb(sc) * pCO2Cost * pCO2EmissionRate(g) * vTotalOutput(sc,n,g)]
;

***** Generating reserves/balance/inventory *****
*up operating reserve [GW]
eOperReserveUp(sc,n)$[pOperReserveUp(sc,n)]..
    sum[(nr(g)), vReserveUp (sc,n,g)] =G= pOperReserveUp(sc,n)
;

*down operating reserve [GW]
eOperReserveDw(sc,n)$[pOperReserveDw(sc,n)]..
    sum[(nr(g)), vReserveDown(sc,n,g)] =G= pOperReserveDw(sc,n)
;

*Load generation balance [GW]
eBalance(sc,n)..
    sum[(g), vTotalOutput(sc,n,g)] - sum[(es(g)), vESSCharge(sc,n,g)] + vENS(sc,n) =E= pDemand(sc,n)
;

*ESS inventory balance [GWh]
eESSInventory(sc,n,es(g))$[n.ord = pCycleTimeStep(g) or (n.ord > pCycleTimeStep(g) and mod(n.ord,pCycleTimeStep(g)) = 0)]..
    pInitialInventory(g)
    + vESSInventory(sc,n-pCycleTimeStep(g),g) $[n.ord > pCycleTimeStep(g) and mod(n.ord,pCycleTimeStep(g))= 0]
    + sum[(n2)$[n.ord-pCycleTimeStep(g)<=n2.ord and n2.ord<=n.ord], pDuration(n2)*(pEnergyInflows(sc,n2,g) - vTotalOutput(sc,n2,g)
    + pEfficiency(g)*vESSCharge(sc,n2,g))] =E= vESSInventory(sc,n,g) + vESSSpillage(sc,n,g)
;

***** Generating generation constraints *****
*max output of the second block of a committed unit [p.u.]
eMaxOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,nr(g))$[pOperReserveUp[sc,n]<>0 and pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g)<>0]..
    (vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,g) + vReserveUp (sc,n,g)) / pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g) =L= vCommitment(n,g)
;

```

Separate in different lines the “header” (equation name and sets) and the **definition** itself. This way you need less horizontal space and avoid the use of the horizontal slider, improving readability. Headers may become really large, as in the following real example:

EQ\_CenQPsup(wa(w),insa(cen(ins)),kpsb(k,pa(p),sa(s),ba(b)),sala(sal))\$[p.ord>s\_kgrupo and wp(w,p) and sal.ord<=p\_nsal(ins) and p.ord<=s\_phoras]..

# Example model: equation definition

```

*min output of the second block of a committed unit [p.u.]
eMinOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,nr(g))$(pOperReserveDw[sc,n]<>0 and pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g)<>0)..
    (vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,g) + vReserveDown(sc,n,g)) / pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g) =G= 0
;

*total output of a unit [GW]
eTotalOutput(sc,n,nr(g))..
    vTotalOutput(sc,n,g) / (pMinPower(sc,n,g) + 1$(pMinPower(sc,n,g)=0))
    =E= vCommitment(n,g) + vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,g) / (pMinPower(sc,n,g) + 1$(pMinPower(sc,n,g)=0))
;

*relation among commitment startup and shutdown
eUCStrShut(n,nr(g))..
    vCommitment(n,g) - pInitialUC(g)$[n.ord = 1] - vCommitment(n-1,g)$[n.ord>1] =E= vStartUp(n,g) - vShutDown(n,g)
;

***** Generating ramps up/down *****
*maximum ramp up [p.u.]
eRampUp(sc,n,t(g))$(pRampUp(g)<>0 and pRampUp(g) < pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g))..
    (vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,g) - max[pInitialOutput(g)-pMinPower(sc,n,g),0]$[n.ord=1] - vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n-1,g)$[n.ord>1]
    + vReserveUp(sc,n,g)) / pDuration(n) / pRampUp(g) =L= vCommitment(n,g) - vStartUp(n,g)
;

*maximum ramp down [p.u.]
eRampDw(sc,n,t(g))$(pRampDw(g)<>0 and pRampDw(g) < pMaxPower2ndBlock(sc,n,g))..
    (vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n,g) - max[pInitialOutput(g)-pMinPower(sc,n,g),0]$[n.ord=1] - vOutput2ndBlock(sc,n-1,g)$[n.ord>1]
    - vReserveDown(sc,n,g)) / pDuration(n) / pRampDw(g) =G= - vCommitment(n-1,g)$[n.ord>1] + vShutDown(n,g) - pInitialUC(g)$[n.ord=1]
;

***** Generating minimum up/down time *****
*minimum up time [h]
eMinUpTime(n,t(g))$(pUpTime(g) > 1 and n.ord >= pUpTime(g))..
    sum[(n2)$[n.ord-pUpTime[g] <=n2.ord and n2.ord<=n.ord], vStartUp(n2,g)] =L= vCommitment[n,g]
;

```

For large codes copy the definition of the equations from the declaration to the definition

# Example model: model definition

```
*minimum down time [h]
eMinDownTime(n,t(g))$(pDwTime(g) > 1 and n.ord >= pDwTime(g))..
    sum[(n2)$(n.ord-pDwTime(g) <= n2.ord and n2.ord<=n.ord), vShutDown(n2,g)] =L= 1 - vCommitment[n,g]
;
```

```
model mUnits units equations
```

```
/
eESSInventory
eMaxOutput2ndBlock
eMinOutput2ndBlock
eTotalOutput
eUCStrShut
eRampUp
eRampDw
eMinUpTime
eMinDownTime
/
;
```

```
model mSDUC
/
eTotalTCost
eTotalVCost
eTotalECost
eOperReserveUp
eOperReserveDw
eBalance
mUnits
/
;
```

Use dynamic sets in headers instead rather than definitions. If you change them you need to change it only once, not 3 like in the example

It can be useful to define models containing a specific set of equations and the include them in larger models. Here all equations from “rampas” are included in “modelo”.

# Example model: model attributes and input data

\* Branch and bound relative tolerance

mSDUC.optcr = 0.01;

\* Limit execution time

mSDUC.reslim = 2\*60;

\* Ommit fixed variables

mSDUC.holdfixed = 1;

\* Tolerance to take two numbers as equal.

\* It is often useful to set a very small value but different from 0 when numerical errors due to rounding or decimal precisions occur.

\* The typical error that pops up is "equation infeasible due to rhs" and when we go to see the error, 0 = very low value like 10e-13

\* Then we set the infeasibility tolerance slightly above that value to tell it that in those cases it assumes that they are the same.

mSDUC.tolInfeas = 0.00001;

\* Use cplex.opt option file

mSDUC.OptFile = 1;

\$gdxIn datos.gdx

\$load sc

\$load n

\$load gg

\$load gt

\$load co

\$load st

\$load g

\$load t

\$load r

\$load es

\$load nr

\$load pTimeStep

\$load pStorageType

\$load pENSCost

\$load pCO2Cost

\$load pDuration

## Solver option file

Use GDX as input and output data to isolate the model from the data processing

Key	Value	DefValue	Range	Type	Description
lpmethod	0	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	Benders partition	
StartAlg	0	[-1e+299, 1e+2...	Double	solution pool range filte...	
subalg	1	[0, 1e+20]	Double	feasibility preference	
mipstart	0	(0, 1)	Boolean	Lazy constraints activati...	
MemoryEmphasis	1	(0, 1, 2)	EnumInt	advanced basis use	
MemoryEmphasis comprime para usar menos memoria, eso puede causar mas uso de recurso	3	[0, 2100000000]	Integer	aggregation limit for cu...	
WorkMem	10	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	aggregator fill parameter	
WorkMem es la cantidad de memoria usada, seria razonable subirla hasta 4000 por ejemplo	-1	[-1, 2100000000]	Integer	aggregator on/off	
RINSHeur	0	[-1, 2100000000]	Integer	number of threads for a...	
RINSHeur es cada cuanto pasa el heuristico RINS, a 0 es automatico, y a 100 es el vlor que tiene	0	(0, 1, 2, 3)	EnumInt	algorithm selection	
nodefileind	0	[0, 2100000000]	Integer	dense column handling	
nodefileind deja a cplex guardar info en el disco	0	(0, 1, 2)	EnumInt	barrier crossover method	
feasopt = 1 permite que si el modelo es infactible, busque la solución más próxima a la zona fai	1	(0, 1, 2)	EnumInt	progress display level	
feasopt=1	1e-08	[1e-12, 1e+75]	Double	convergence tolerance	
iis=1 hace el análisis de irreductable infeasibility search (busca las ecuaciones, variables que hai	1e+12	[1, 1e+75]	Double	unbounded face detecti...	
iis=1	[0, 2147483647]	[-1, 2147483647]	Integer	iteration limit	
	-1	[-1, 2147483647]	Integer	maximum correction li...	
barobjmg	1e-20	[0, 1e+75]	Double	maximum objective fu...	
barorder	0	(0, 1, 2, 3)	EnumInt	row ordering algorithm ...	
barqcpcpcomp	1e-07	[1e-12, 1e+75]	Double	convergence tolerance ...	
barstartalg	1	{1, 2, 3, 4}	EnumInt	barrier starting point al...	
bbinterval	7	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	best bound interval	
bendersfeascuttol	1e-06	[1e-09, 0, 1]	Double	Tolerance for whether a ...	
bendersoptcuttol	1e-06	[1e-09, 0, 1]	Double	Tolerance for optimality...	
benderspartitioninstage	0	(0, 1)	Boolean	Benders partition throu...	
bendersstrategy	0	(-1, 0, 1, 2, 3)	EnumInt	Benders decomposition...	
bndrng	1	do lower / upper bound...	StrList		
bndstrenind	-1	(-1, 0, 1)	EnumInt	bound strengthening	
bqpcuts	0	(-1, 0, 1, 2, 3)	EnumInt	boolean quadric polyto...	
brdir	0	(-1, 0, 1)	EnumInt	set branching direction	
bttol	1	(0, 1)	Double	backtracking limit	
calcqcpduals	1	(0, 1, 2)	EnumInt	calculate the dual value...	



# Example model: input data

```
$load pScenProb
$load pDemand
$load pOperReserveUp
$load pOperReserveDw
$load pEnergyInFlows
$load pLinearVarCost
$load pConstantVarCost
$load pStartupCost
$load pShutDownCost
$load pRampUp
$load pRampDw
$load pCO2EmissionRate
$load pUpTime
$load pDwTime
$load pInitialInventory
$load pEfficiency
$load pMaxPower2ndBlock
$load pMinPower
$load pCycleTimeStep
$load pInitialLUC
$load pInitialOutput
$gdxIn
;
```

```
*set active sets for debugging
*g(gg)$[condition] = yes;
```

Limit the active set elements  
when you are debugging, and  
activate them all for standard  
executions

# Example model: variable fixing, model solving and data output

```
* fixing the ESS inventory at the last load level at the end of the time scope  
vESSInventory.fx(sc,n,es(g))$[n.ord = card(n)] = pInitialInventory(g);
```

```
*definition of the time-steps Leap to observe the stored energy at ESS
```

```
pCycleTimeStep(es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=1] = 1;  
pCycleTimeStep(es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=2] = trunc( 24/pTimeStep);  
pCycleTimeStep(es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=3] = trunc(168/pTimeStep);
```

```
*fixing the ESS inventory at the end of the following pCycleTimeStep (weekly, yearly), i.e., for daily ESS is fixed at the end of the week, for weekly/monthly ESS is fixed at the end of the year
```

```
vESSInventory.fx(sc,n,es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=1 and mod(n.ord, 168/pTimeStep) = 0] = pInitialInventory(g);  
vESSInventory.fx(sc,n,es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=2 and mod(n.ord,8736/pTimeStep) = 0] = pInitialInventory(g);  
vESSInventory.fx(sc,n,es(g))$[pStorageType(g)=3 and mod(n.ord,8736/pTimeStep) = 0] = pInitialInventory(g);
```

```
solve mSDUC using MIP minimizing vObjective ;
```

```
*generate GDX with certain output data from the model
```

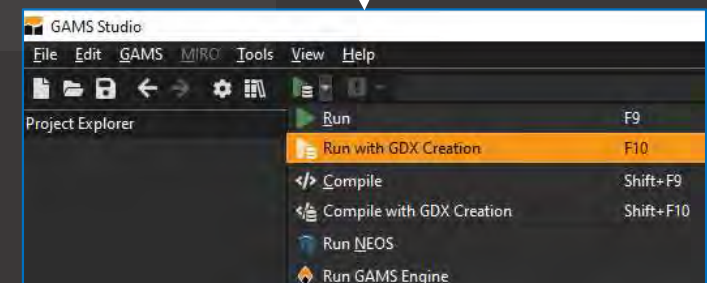
```
*no need to specify parameter/variable sets, it includes them automatically
```

```
execute_unload 'out.gdx',
```

```
vCommitment  
vTotalVCost  
vTotalECost  
vTotalOutput  
;
```

Use GDX as input and  
output data to isolate  
the model from the  
data processing

If you run the model with GDX creating a GDX file  
with the same name as the GAMS file is created  
containing all the information



# Example model: solver related information

```
*Useful solve information:
* in complex codes this information can be used to condition the development of the program, for example with multiple executions or loops).
*Total time
display mSDUC.etSolve;
*Solver time
display mSDUC.resUsd;
*Solver termination
* 1-Normal Completion 6-Capability Problems 11-Internal Solver Failure
* 2-Iteration Interrupt 7-Licensing Problems 13-System Failure
* 3-Resource Interrupt 8-User Interrupt
* 4-Terminated By Solver 9-Setup Failure
* 5-Evaluation Interrupt 10-Solver Failure
display mSDUC.solveStat;
*Model status code
* 1-Optimal 6-Intermediate Infeasible 11-Licensing Problem 16-Solved
* 2-Locally Optimal 7-Intermediate Nonoptimal 12-Error Unknown 17-Solved Singular
* 3-Unbounded 8-Integer Solution 13-Error No Solution 18-Unbounded - No Solution
* 4-Infeasible 9-Intermediate Non-Integer 14-No Solution Returned 19-Infeasible - No Solution
* 5-Locally Infeasible 10-Integer Infeasible 15-Solved Unique
display mSDUC.modelStat;
*Number of discrete variables of the problem
display mSDUC.numDVar;
*Number of equations
display mSDUC.numEqu;
*Number of variables
display mSDUC.numVar;
scalars
s_optcr "Optcr achieved"
;
*GAMS Optcr
s_optcr = (100 * abs(mSDUC.objest - mSDUC.objval) / max(abs(mSDUC.objest),abs(mSDUC.objval)))$[max(abs(mSDUC.objest),abs(mSDUC.objval))];
display s_optcr;
*Cplex Optcr
s_optcr = (100 * abs(mSDUC.objest - mSDUC.objval) / (1e-10+abs(mSDUC.objval)))$[(1e-10+abs(mSDUC.objval))];
display s_optcr;
```

# Example model 2: description and declarations (sets and variables)

\$Title Example model: GAMS version of the pyomo example [https://gitlab001.iit.comillas.edu/pdeotaola/Ejemplo\\_Optimizacion\\_Python-Pyomo](https://gitlab001.iit.comillas.edu/pdeotaola/Ejemplo_Optimizacion_Python-Pyomo)

```
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```

Definitions may become very large and require the use of the slider  
Having the units first makes it easier to consult

Units

Definitions

## sets

```
t          "      Time periods"
ta         ( t ) "      Active time periods, can be useful to split a long run into several sequential ones, or for development, to run only
one piece even if there is data for a very long horizon"
g          "      Generation units"
ga         ( g ) "      Active generation units"
```

\*alias should be defined here

## variables

```
v_fob      "[M€]      Objective function value"
;
```

## positive variables

```
v_p        (g, t) "[GW]      Power output above the minimum of the generator"
v_t        (g, t) "[GW]      Total power output of the generator"
v_ct       (g, t) "[M€]      Generation cost"
```

## binary variables

```
v_v        (g, t) "{0,1}     Commitment status"
v_y        (g, t) "{0,1}     Start up decision"
v_z        (g, t) "{0,1}     Shut down decision"
;
```

Define dynamic sets as the active elements of  
the static sets. Even if you don't use them,  
they can be very useful to isolate problems  
when debugging

Vertical alignment  
improves readability

## Example model 2: declarations (parameters and equations)

### parameters

```
p_Gcaco    (g ) "[M€/h]   Commitment cost"
p_Gcvar    (g ) "[M€/GWh] Variable cost"
p_Gcarr    (g ) "[M€]     Start up cost"
p_Gcpar    (g ) "[M€]     Shut down cost"
p_Gpmn     (g ) "[GW]     Minimum power output"
p_Gpmx     (g ) "[GW]     Maximum power output"
p_Gei      (g ) "[-]      Initial commitment status: {0} off {1} on"
p_GPini    (g ) "[GW]     Initial power output"
p_Grs      (g ) "[GW]     Maximum power output increase"
p_Grb      (g ) "[GW]     Maximum power output decrease"
p_Precio   ( t) "[M/€GWh] Electricity price"
```

### equations

```
EQ_FObj      "Objective function: cost-income minimization"
EQ_CostT     (g, t) "Generation cost"
EQ_PotAcoT   (g, t) "Generation units total power output"
EQ_AcoParPmn (g, t) "Commitment: stop at minimum power"
EQ_AcoArrPmn (g, t) "Commitment: start at minimum power"
EQ_AcoPar    (g, t) "Coherence between commitment status and start up and shut down decisions"
EQ_RampSub   (g, t) "Limit increase in power output"
EQ_RampBaj   (g, t) "Limit decrease in power output"
EQ_Dummy     (g, t) "Dummy: used for explanation"
```



# Example model 2: equation definition

```
*Objective function: cost-income minimization
EQ_FObj..
    v_fob =E= sum[{ga{g},ta{t}},v_ct{g,t} - v_t{g,t} * p_Precio{t}];
*Generation cost
EQ_CostT {ga{g},ta{t}}..
    v_ct{g,t} =E= p_Gcarr{g} * v_y{g,t}
                + p_Gcpar{g} * v_z{g,t}
                + p_Gcaco{g} * v_v{g,t}
                + p_Gcvar{g} * v_p{g,t};
*Generation units total power output
EQ_PotAcoT {ga{g},ta{t}}..
    v_t{g,t} =E= p_Gpmn{g} * v_v{g,t} + v_p{g,t};
*Commitment: stop at minimum power
EQ_AcoParPmn{ga{g},ta{t}}$[ta(t-1)]..
    v_p{g,t-1} =L= (p_Gpmx{g} - p_Gpmn{g}) * (v_v{g,t-1} - v_z{g,t});
*Commitment: start at minimum power
EQ_AcoArrPmn{ga{g},ta{t}}..
    v_p{g,t} =L= (p_Gpmx{g} - p_Gpmn{g}) * (v_v{g,t} - v_y{g,t});
*Coherence between commitment status and start up and shut down decisions
EQ_AcoPar {ga{g},ta{t}}..
    v_y{g,t} - v_v{g,t} - v_z{g,t} + v_v{g,t-1}$[t.ord>1]
                + p_Gei{g} $[t.ord=1] =E= 0;
*Limit increase in power output
EQ_RampSub {ga{g},ta{t}}..
    + v_p{g,t} - v_p{g,t-1}$[t.ord>1]
    - p_GPini{g}$[t.ord=1] =L= p_Grs{g};
*Limit decrease in power output
EQ_RampBaj {ga{g},ta{t}}..
    - v_p{g,t} + v_p{g,t-1}$[t.ord>1]
    + p_GPini{g}$[t.ord=1] =L= p_Grb{g};
*Dummy
EQ_Dummy{ga(g), ta(t)}..
    v_ct{g,t} =G= 0;
```

For large codes copy the definition of the equations from the declaration to the definition

Separate in different lines the “header” (equation name and sets) and the definition itself. This way you need less horizontal space and avoid the use of the horizontal slider, improving readability. Headers may become really large, as in the following real example:

```
$ifthen %ex1a% == 1
EQ_CenQPsup(wa{w},insa{cen{ins}},kpsb{k,pa{p},sa{s},ba{b}},sala{sal})$[p.ord>s_kgrupo and wp{w,p} and
sal.ord<=p_nsal{ins} and p.ord<=s_phoras]..
$elseif %excom% == 1
EQ_CenQPsup(wa{w},insa{cen{ins}},ka{k}, pa{p},sa{s},ba{b},sala{sal})$[p.ord>s_kgrupo and k.ord=p.ord]..
$endif
```

Align concepts within equations and for different but similar ones

Use dynamic sets in headers instead rather than definitions. If you change them you need to change it only once, not 4 like in the example

## Example model 2: model definition and attributes

\*Ramp related equations

**model** rampas

/

EQ\_RampSub

EQ\_RampBaj

EQ\_Dummy

/;

\* Complete optimization model

**model** modelo

/

EQ\_FObj

EQ\_CostT

EQ\_PotAcoT

EQ\_AcoParPmn

EQ\_AcoArrPmn

EQ\_AcoPar

rampas

-EQ\_Dummy

/;

\* Branch and bound relative tolerance

modelo.optcr = 0.01;

\* Limit execution time

modelo.reslim = 2\*60;

\* Ommitt fixed variables

modelo.holdfixed = 1;

\* Tolerance to take two numbers as equal.

\* It is often useful to set a very small value but different from 0 when numerical errors due to rounding or decimal precisions occur.

\* The typical error that pops up is "equation infeasible due to rhs" and when we go to see the error, 0 = very low value like 10e-13

\* Then we set the infeasibility tolerance slightly above that value to tell it that in those cases it assumes that they are the same.

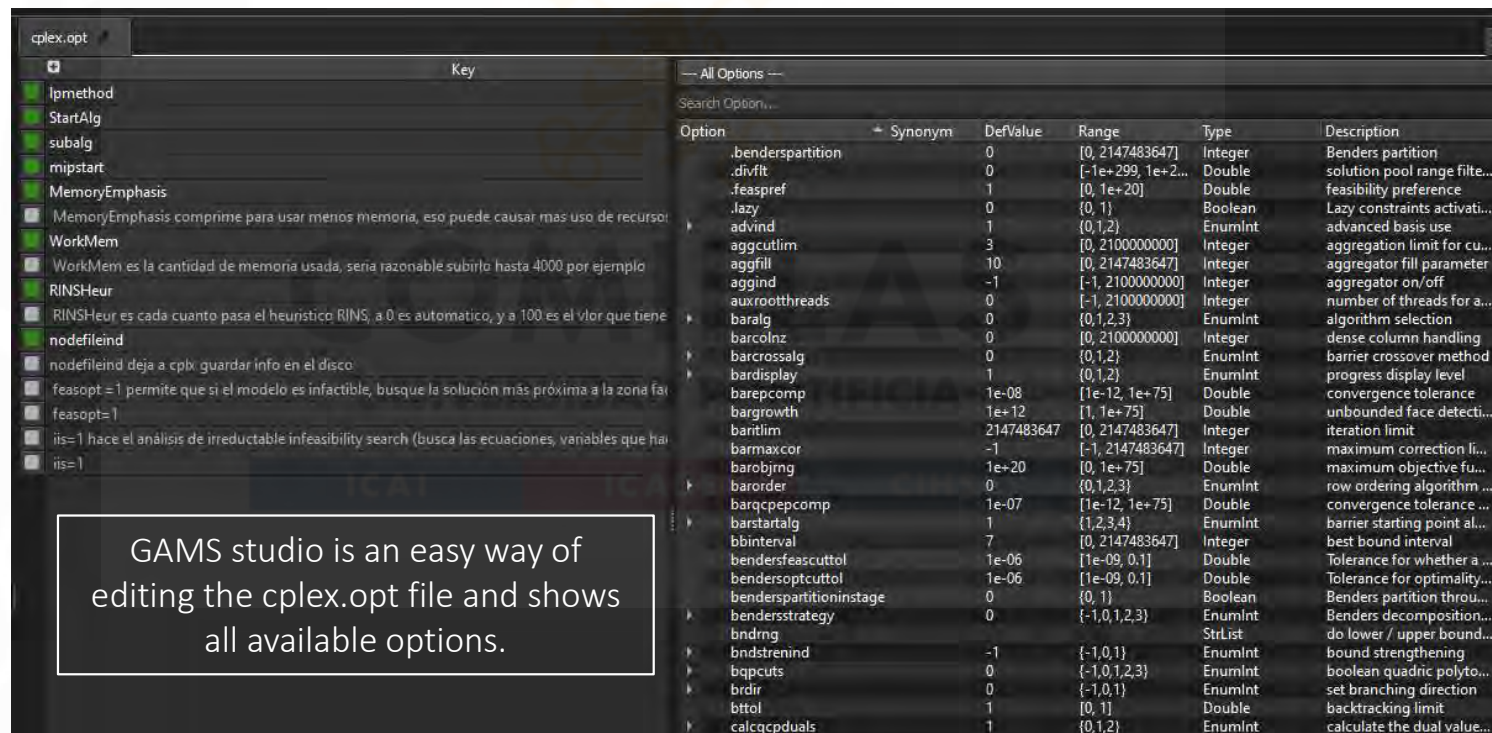
modelo.tolInfeas = 0.00001;

It can be useful to define models containing a specific set of equations and the include them in larger models. Here all equations from "rampas" are included in "modelo".

There is also the possibility to eliminate an equation by using the symbol "-". The equation "EQ\_Dummy" is included in "rampas", and therefore included in "modelo", but as we don't want that equation in "modelo" we use: "- EQ\_Dummy"

# Example model 2: solver option file

```
* Use cplex.opt option file
modelo.OptFile = 1;
```



The screenshot shows the GAMS studio interface for editing the cplex.opt file. On the left, a list of options is shown with checkboxes. On the right, a table lists all available options with their synonyms, default values, ranges, types, and descriptions.

Option	Synonym	DefValue	Range	Type	Description
.benderspartition		0	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	Benders partition
.divflt		0	[-1e+299, 1e+2...	Double	solution pool range filte...
.feaspref		1	[0, 1e+20]	Double	feasibility preference
.lazy		0	{0, 1}	Boolean	Lazy constraints activati...
advind		1	{0, 1, 2}	EnumInt	advanced basis use
aggcutlim		3	[0, 2100000000]	Integer	aggregation limit for cu...
aggfill		10	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	aggregator fill parameter
aggind		-1	[-1, 2100000000]	Integer	aggregator on/off
auxrootthreads		0	[-1, 2100000000]	Integer	number of threads for a...
baralg		0	{0, 1, 2, 3}	EnumInt	algorithm selection
barcolnz		0	[0, 2100000000]	Integer	dense column handling
barcrossalg		0	{0, 1, 2}	EnumInt	barrier crossover method
bardisplay		1	{0, 1, 2}	EnumInt	progress display level
barepcomp		1e-08	[1e-12, 1e+75]	Double	convergence tolerance
bargrowth		1e+12	[1, 1e+75]	Double	unbounded face detecti...
baritlim		2147483647	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	iteration limit
barmaxcor		-1	[-1, 2147483647]	Integer	maximum correction li...
barobjrng		1e+20	[0, 1e+75]	Double	maximum objective fu...
barorder		0	{0, 1, 2, 3}	EnumInt	row ordering algorithm ...
barqcpcpcomp		1e-07	[1e-12, 1e+75]	Double	convergence tolerance ...
barstartalg		1	{1, 2, 3, 4}	EnumInt	barrier starting point al...
bbinterval		7	[0, 2147483647]	Integer	best bound interval
bendersfeascuttol		1e-06	[1e-09, 0.1]	Double	Tolerance for whether a ...
bendersoptcuttol		1e-06	[1e-09, 0.1]	Double	Tolerance for optimality...
benderspartitioninstage		0	{0, 1}	Boolean	Benders partition throu...
bendersstrategy		0	{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3}	EnumInt	Benders decomposition...
bndrng				StrList	do lower / upper bound...
bndstrenind		-1	{-1, 0, 1}	EnumInt	bound strengthening
bqpcuts		0	{-1, 0, 1, 2, 3}	EnumInt	boolean quadric polyto...
brdir		0	{-1, 0, 1}	EnumInt	set branching direction
bttol		1	[0, 1]	Double	backtracking limit
calcqpccpals		1	{0, 1, 2}	EnumInt	calculate the dual value...

GAMS studio is an easy way of editing the cplex.opt file and shows all available options.

# Example model 2: data input, model solving and data output

\*Loading input data from a GDX file

\$GDXin 'entrada.gdx'

\$loaddc g

\$loaddc t

\$loaddc p\_Gcaco

\$loaddc p\_Gcvar

\$loaddc p\_Gcarr

\$loaddc p\_Gcpar

\$loaddc p\_Gpmn

\$loaddc p\_Gpmx

\$loaddc p\_Gei

\$loaddc p\_GPini

\$loaddc p\_Grs

\$loaddc p\_Grb

\$loaddc p\_Precio

\$GDXin;

Limit the active set elements when you are debugging, and activate them all for standard executions

\*activate the complete sets to make a full run with everything

ga(g) = yes;

ta(t) = yes;

\*Variable limit and fixed values should be performed here

SOLVE modelo minimizing v\_fob using MIP;

\*generate GDX with certain output data from the model

\*no need to specify parameter/variable sets, it includes them automatically

execute\_unloadi 'salida.gdx',

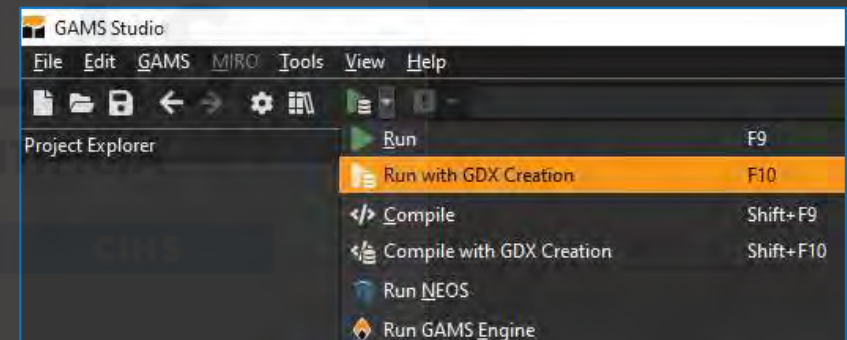
v\_t

v\_ct

;

Use GDX as input and output data to isolate the model from the data processing

If you run the model with GDX creating a GDX file with the same name as the GAMS file is created containing all the information



# Example model 2: solver related information

```
*Useful solve information:
* in complex codes this information can be used to condition the development of the program, for example with multiple executions or loops).
*Total time
display modelo.etSolve;
*Solver time
display modelo.resUsd;
*Solver termination
* 1-Normal Completion      6-Capability Problems      11-Internal Solver Failure
* 2-Iteration Interrupt    7-Licensing Problems      13-System Failure
* 3-Resource Interrupt     8-User Interrupt
* 4-Terminated By Solver   9-Setup Failure
* 5-Evaluation Interrupt   10-Solver Failure
display modelo.solveStat;
*Model status code
* 1-Optimal                6-Intermediate Infeasible  11-Licensing Problem      16-Solved
* 2-Locally Optimal        7-Intermediate Nonoptimal  12-Error Unknown          17-Solved Singular
* 3-Unbounded              8-Integer Solution        13-Error No Solution      18-Unbounded - No Solution
* 4-Infeasible             9-Intermediate Non-Integer 14-No Solution Returned   19-Infeasible - No Solution
* 5-Locally Infeasible     10-Integer Infeasible     15-Solved Unique
display modelo.modelStat;
*Number of discrete variables of the problem
display modelo.numDVar;
*Number of equations
display modelo.numEqu;
*Number of variables
display modelo.numVar;
scalars
s_optcr      "Optcr achieved"
;
*GAMS Optcr
s_optcr = (100 * abs(modelo.objest - modelo.objval) / max(abs(modelo.objest),abs(modelo.objval)))*[max(abs(modelo.objest),abs(modelo.objval))];
display s_optcr;
*Cplex Optcr
s_optcr = (100 * abs(modelo.objest - modelo.objval) / (1e-10+abs(modelo.objval)))*[(1e-10+abs(modelo.objval))];
display s_optcr;
```



# Example model 2: equation documentation (outside the model)

```

*Objective function: cost-income minimization
$EQ_FObj$
```math
v\_fob = \sum_{g \in ga, t \in ta} [v\_ct_{g,t} - v\_t_{g,t} * p\_Precio_t]
```

*Generation cost
$EQ_CostT: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
v\_ct_{g,t} = p\_Gcarr_{g,t} * v\_y_{g,t}
+ p\_Gcpar_{g,t} * v\_z_{g,t}
+ p\_Gcaco_{g,t} * v\_v_{g,t}
+ p\_Gcvar_{g,t} * v\_p_{g,t}
```

*Generation units total power output
$EQ_PotAcoT: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
v\_t_{g,t} = p\_Gpmn_{g,t} * v\_v_{g,t} + v\_p_{g,t}
```

*Commitment: stop at minimum power
$EQ_AcoParPmn: g \in ga, t \in ta \text{ if } [t-1 \in ta]$
```math
v\_p_{g,t-1} \leq (p\_Gpmx_{g,t} - p\_Gpmn_{g,t}) * (v\_v_{g,t-1} - v\_z_{g,t})
```

*Commitment: start at minimum power
$EQ_AcoArrPmn: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
v\_p_{g,t} \leq (p\_Gpmx_{g,t} - p\_Gpmn_{g,t}) * (v\_v_{g,t} - v\_y_{g,t})
```

*Coherence between commitment status and start up and shut down decisions
$EQ_AcoPar: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
v\_y_{g,t} - v\_v_{g,t} - v\_z_{g,t} + v\_v_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1]
+ p\_Gei_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] = 0
```

*Limit increase in power output
$EQ_RampSub: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
v\_p_{g,t} - v\_p_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1]
- p\_GPini_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] \leq p\_Grs_{g,t}
```

*Limit decrease in power output
$EQ_RampBaj: g \in ga, t \in ta$
```math
- v\_p_{g,t} + v\_p_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1]
+ p\_GPini_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] \leq p\_Grb_{g,t}

```

Documentation of  
the equations in  
markdown using  
visual studio code



```

*Objective function: cost-income minimization
EQ_FObj

$$v\_fob = \sum_{g \in ga, t \in ta} [v\_ct_{g,t} - v\_t_{g,t} * p\_Precio_t]$$


*Generation cost
EQ_CostT : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_ct_{g,t} = p\_Gcarr_{g,t} * v\_y_{g,t} + p\_Gcpar_{g,t} * v\_z_{g,t} + p\_Gcaco_{g,t} * v\_v_{g,t} + p\_Gcvar_{g,t} * v\_p_{g,t}$$


*Generation units total power output
EQ_PotAcoT : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_t_{g,t} = p\_Gpmn_{g,t} * v\_v_{g,t} + v\_p_{g,t}$$


*Commitment: stop at minimum power
EQ_AcoParPmn : g \in ga, t \in ta \text{ if } [t-1 \in ta]

$$v\_p_{g,t-1} \leq (p\_Gpmx_{g,t} - p\_Gpmn_{g,t}) * (v\_v_{g,t-1} - v\_z_{g,t})$$


*Commitment: start at minimum power
EQ_AcoArrPmn : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_p_{g,t} \leq (p\_Gpmx_{g,t} - p\_Gpmn_{g,t}) * (v\_v_{g,t} - v\_y_{g,t})$$


*Coherence between commitment status and start up and shut down decisions
EQ_AcoPar : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_y_{g,t} - v\_v_{g,t} - v\_z_{g,t} + v\_v_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1] + p\_Gei_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] = 0$$


*Limit increase in power output
EQ_RampSub : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_p_{g,t} - v\_p_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1] - p\_GPini_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] \leq p\_Grs_{g,t}$$


*Limit decrease in power output
EQ_RampBaj : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$-v\_p_{g,t} + v\_p_{g,t-1} * [t.ord > 1] + p\_GPini_{g,t} * [t.ord = 1] \leq p\_Grb_{g,t}$$


EQ_Dummy : g \in ga, t \in ta

$$v\_ct_{g,t} \geq 0$$


```

Go

## Example model 2: time considerations for equation definitions and performing partial executions

\*The equation has  $v_p$  and  $v_v$  of one time period and  $v_z$  of the next, the straightforward definition would be:

```
EQ_AcoParPmn(g,ta(t))$[t.ord < card(t)]....
```

```
    v_p[g,t] <= (p_Gpmx[g] - p_Gpmn[g]) * (v_v[g,t] - v_z[g,t+1]);
```

\*However, it may be a better idea to use past time indices instead of future time indices and write the equation as follows:

```
EQ_AcoParPmn{ga{g},ta{t}}$[ta(t-1)]..
```

```
    v_p{g,t-1} =L= (p_Gpmx{g} - p_Gpmn{g}) * (v_v{g,t-1} - v_z{g,t});
```

The reason is that if the entire period being executed were split into several sequential runs, for the executions that were not the first one, the value of the variables  $v_p$  and  $v_v$  would be available in the last period of the previous execution. That would avoid the need to fix the value of the variable  $v_z$  in the first period of the subsequent execution.

sets

```
ej          "Executions in which the time horizon is to be split" /ej1*ej3/
```

```
ejt (ej,t)  "Time periods of each execution"
```

```
;
```

```
ejt(ej,t) = yes$[(ej.ord-1)*card(t)/card(ej)<t.ord and t.ord<=ej.ord*card(t)/card(ej)];
```

```
ga(g) = yes;
```

```
loop(ej,
```

```
    ta(t) = yes$[ejt(ej,t)];
```

```
    SOLVE modelo minimizing v_fob using MIP;
```

```
    v_p.fx {g,ta{t}} = v_p.l {g,t};
```

```
    v_t.fx {g,ta{t}} = v_t.l {g,t};
```

```
    v_ct.fx{g,ta{t}} = v_ct.l{g,t};
```

```
    v_v.fx {g,ta{t}} = v_v.l {g,t};
```

```
    v_y.fx {g,ta{t}} = v_y.l {g,t};
```

```
    v_z.fx {g,ta{t}} = v_z.l {g,t};
```

```
);
```

1. Define active periods
2. Solve the model
3. Fix variables for optimized periods

# Data in and out of the model

- Data is one of the primary sources of problems. During development, an excellent practice isolates the model from the data processing.
- Data processing outside the model
  - Construct parameters from other parameters
  - Scaling parameters to standardize units. All parameters should be in the same units, and all scaling should be performed previously. **Never hardcode scaling in equations!!**
- Data processing inside model
  - Scaling parameter for the execution particularities. For example, the associated cost of a monthly decision can be scaled to 7/30 if the model executes just a week horizon.
- If you are forced to perform data processing in the model, do it together and in a separate file (use an include).

Personal recommendation: if you need data processing in GAMS, do it in a separate file and a separate process (using \$call) that builds a GDX to be read from the main file. This way, you write the input data to disk and reread it. There are more efficient ways. However, having a single file that is easy to consult with all the input data is convenient for debugging.

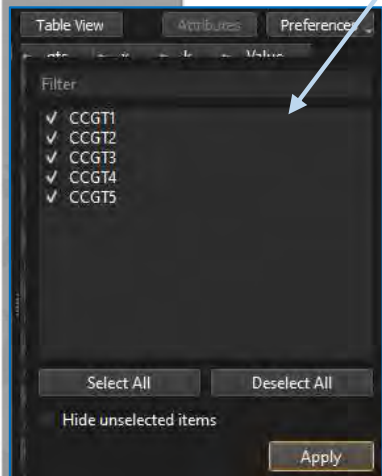
A good option is parametrizing the process so that when you are debugging, that GDX file is created, and in standard executions, a more direct data input method is used.

# GAMS GDX viewer

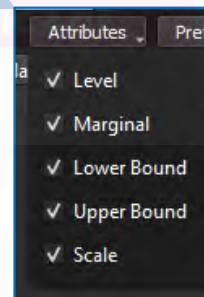
a	b
1	001
10	002
100	003
2	010
3	100



- In list view, you can order by different sets (be aware that all order is alphabetical and not numerical, therefore, to have proper numerical order, your sets need to be defined with zeros on the left)
- In the list view, you can set filters to display just some elements
- In table view, you can click and drag the rows and columns to change the display order
- Select the entire table (click in the corner) to copy and paste it into an Excel file
- When looking at variables, you can use the attributes option to display or hide the levels, limits, and marginal.



Entry	Name	Type	Dim	Value
18	p_GTSPini_x	Parameter	2	
13	p_GTSpmn_x	Parameter	3	
14	p_GTSpmx_x	Parameter	3	
16	p_GTSminOff_x	Parameter	2	
17	p_GTSminOn_x	Parameter	2	
36	Penalizacion	Parameter	0	
24	Precio	Parameter	1	
19	RDu	Parameter	2	
22	RDv	Parameter	3	
20	RUu	Parameter	2	
23	RUv	Parameter	3	



CCGT1	CCGT2	CCGT3
3	4	3
k1	100	175
k2	100	175
k3	100	175
k4	100	175
k5	100	175

# Rule of thumb for selecting an LP optimization algorithm

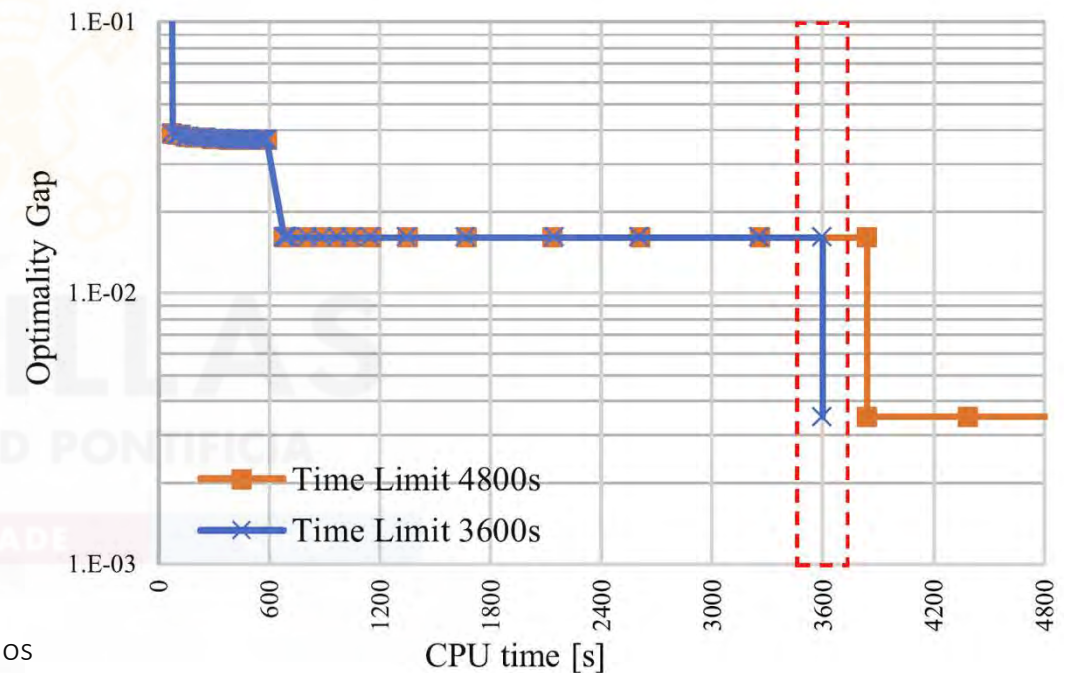
- Simplex (or dual simplex) method can be the best choice for moderate size (up to 100000 x 100000)
- Interior point method is usually the most efficient for huge and difficult problems
  - It is the most *numerically sensitive* algorithm. Numerical issues can cause crossover to stall
  - It can be *threaded* quite efficiently (compared to simplex)
- Difference in solution time can reach one order of magnitude

Select  
The Best



# Solution time for MIP problems

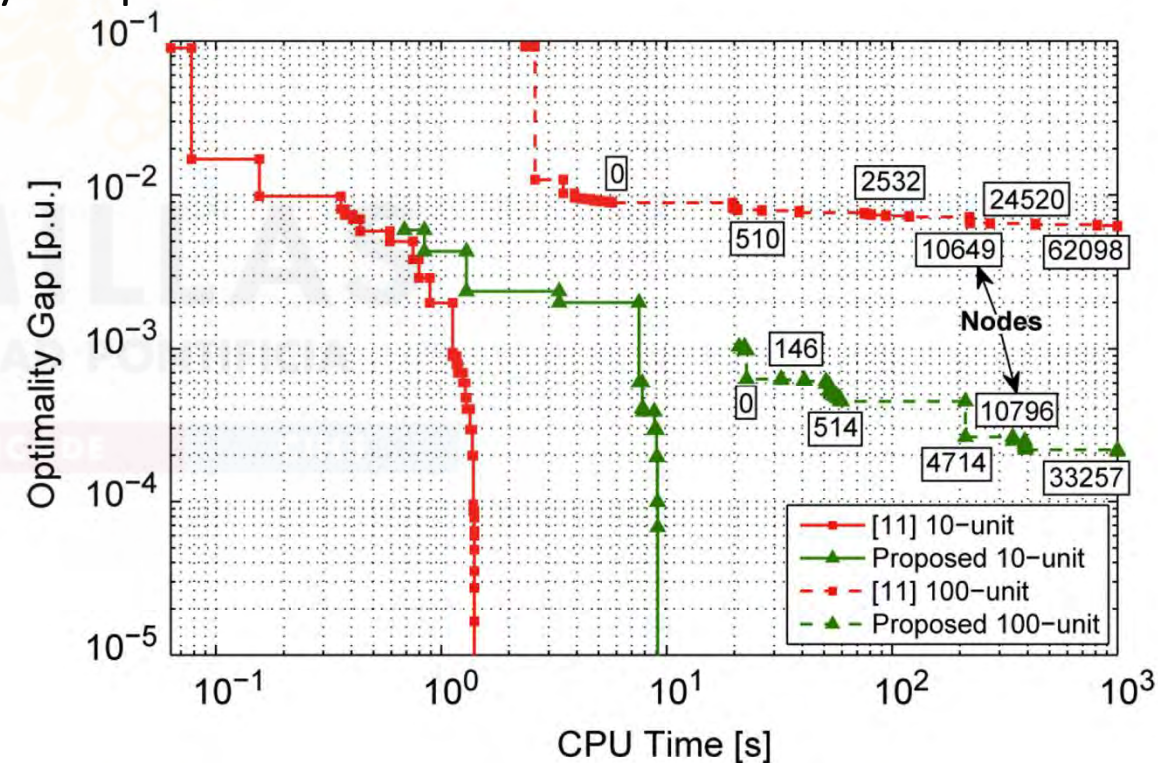
- Solution time depends on the CPU time limit



D.A. Tejada-Arango, S. Lumbreras, P. Sánchez-Martín, and A. Ramos  
[Which Unit-Commitment Formulation is Best? A Systematic Comparison](#) IEEE Transactions on Power Systems 35 (4): 2926-2936  
Jul 2020 [10.1109/TPWRS.2019.2962024](#)

## Solution time for MIP problems

- Optimality gap is stepwise with the solution time
- Solution time strongly depends on the formulation quality



G. Morales-España, A. Ramos, and J. Garcia-Gonzalez [An MIP Formulation for Joint Market-Clearing of Energy and Reserves Based on Ramp Scheduling](#) IEEE Transactions on Power Systems 29 (1): 476-488, Jan 2014  
[10.1109/TPWRS.2013.2259601](#)

## Algorithm improvements

- For solving LP/MILP, computer hardware got about 20 times faster, and the algorithms improved by a factor of about 9 for LP and around 50 for MILP, which gives a total speed-up of about 180 and 1,000 times, respectively

Th. Koch, T. Berthold, J. Pedersen, Ch. Vanaret “Progress in mathematical programming solvers from 2001 to 2020”  
*EURO Journal on Computational Optimization* 10 (2022) 100031 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ejco.2022.100031>

# Debugging an optimization model



- Grammar error
  - Read the error and click on the red line of the log file
- Infeasibility detection
  - **Soft (elastic) constraints**
    - Introduce a **deficit** or **surplus** variables in each equation and penalize it in the objective function. Be careful with the penalty parameter (**FeasOpt** in Gurobi/CPLEX)
  - Detect the **smallest core of infeasible constraints** by the **LP** solver (option ***Irreducible Infeasible Subsets iis*** in solvers)
    - Once known, they must be deleted or modified

# Options

Options	Description
LimRow	Number of rows to show
LimCol	Number of columns to show
SolPrint	Solution output
SolveOpt	Replace
Decimals	Number of decimals in displaying values
IterLim	Maximum number of solver iterations
ResLim	Maximum solution time
Profile	Time profiling
ProfileTol	Profile threshold
Seed	Initialize seed for random numbers



# \$ Directives

\$ Directives	Description
\$OnEmpty	Allow introduction of empty sets
\$OnMulti	Allow redeclaration of sets
\$OffListing	Suppress listing of the code

## Variable attributes (varName.Attribute)

Attribute	Description
lo	lower bound
up	upper bound
fx	fixes the variable to a constant
Range	range of the variable
l	initial value before and optimal value after
m	marginal value (reduced cost)
Scale	numerical scale factor
Prior	branching priority in a MIP model ( $\infty \rightarrow$ not discrete)
SlackUp	slack from upper bound
SlackLo	slack from lower bound
Infeas	infeasibility out of bounds

## Equation attributes (equationName.Attribute)

Attribute	Description
lo	lower bound
up	upper bound
l	initial value before and optimal value after
m	marginal value (dual variable or shadow price)
Scale	numerical scaling factor

## Model

```
model ModelName1 / Equation1 Equation3 Equation5 Equation7 /
```

```
model ModelName2 / all /
```

```
model ModelName3 / ModelName1 - Equation5 + Equation8 /
```

# Model attributes (modelName.Attribute)

Attribute	Description	Attribute	Description
ResLim	Resource limit	IterUsd	Number of iterations
SolveOpt	Replace/merge/clear in consecutive solves	ResUsd	Resource used
SolSlack	Show slack variables	BRatio	Basis ratio controls the use of previous basis
SolvePrint	0, 1, 2 (to remove the detailed solution from the .lst file)	HoldFixed	Fix and eliminate variables
TryLinear	Try linear model first	IterLim	Iteration limit
ModelStat	Model status	NodLim	Node limit
SolveStat	Solve status	OptCA	Absolute optimality tolerance
NumEqu	Number of equations	OptCR	Relative optimality tolerance
NumVar	Number of variables	OptFile	Use of an option file
NumDVar	Number of discrete variables	PriorOpt	Use of priority
NumNz	Number of non zeros		



# GAMS Call Options

GAMS Options	Description
Suppress	Suppress echo of the code listing
PW	Page width
PS	Page size
RF	Shows all the symbols
Charset	Allows international characters
U1..U10	User parameter

For example, InterfaceName, SolverSelection, SkipExcelInput, SkipExcelOutput,

```
u1="Excel_Interface_Name" u2=0 u3=0 u4=1 --NumberCores=4
```

## Boosting performance



- Threads
  - Use of **multiple cores** of a computer by the solver
- GUSS (Gather-Update-Solve-Scatter)
  - Use of **sensitivity analysis** for solving many similar problems
- Grid and Multi-Threading Solve Facility
  - Send many problems to solve and collect them after solved
- You can **launch several GAMS processes simultaneously**, being careful with conflicting filenames

# Scenario analysis of the transportation problem solved with GUSS

```

sets
  I origins
  J destinations
  SC scenarios

parameters
  pA (i) origin capacity
  pB (j) destination demand
  pC (i,j) per unit transportation cost
  pBS (sc, j) stochastic destination demand
  pX (sc,i,j) stochastic units transported
  pCost (sc) stochastic transportation cost
  pPrice(sc, j) stochastic spot price

variables
  vX(i,j) units transported
  vCost transportation cost

positive variable vX

equations
  eCost transportation cost
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin
  eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;

eCost .. sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) * vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;
eCapacity(i) .. sum[j, vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;
eDemand (j) .. sum[i, vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;

model mTransport / all /
  
```

```

set scen_dem stochastic demand scenario dictionary /
  sc . scenario . ''

* update the LHS with values of the RHS
pB . param . pBS

* store in the RHS with values of the LHS
vX . level . pX
vCost . level . pCost
eDemand . marginal . pPrice /

sets
  I origins / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /
  SC scenarios / sc000*sc999 /

parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity
    / VIGO 350
    ALGECIRAS 700 /

  pBS(sc,j) stochastic destination demand
    / sc000 . MADRID 400
    sc000 . BARCELONA 450
    sc000 . VALENCIA 150 / ;

* Lazy input, feeding data for all the scenarios with random demand
pBS(sc,j) = pBS('sc000',j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)] ;

table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost
      MADRID BARCELONA VALENCIA
VIGO 0.06 0.12 0.09
ALGECIRAS 0.05 0.15 0.11 ;
*****

* initialization of the destination demand
pB(j) = pBS('sc000',j) ;

solve mTransport using LP minimizing vCost scenario scen_dem
  
```

# Scenario analysis of the transportation problem solved with Grid computing and GUSS (i)

```

sets
  I origins
  J destinations
  SC scenarios

parameters
  pA (i ) origin capacity
  pB (j ) destination demand
  pC ( i,j) per unit transportation cost
  pBS (sc, j) stochastic destination demand
  pX (sc,i,j) stochastic units transported
  pCost (sc ) stochastic transportation cost
  pPrice(sc, j) stochastic spot price

variables
  vX(i,j) units transported
  vCost transportation cost

positive variable vX

equations
  eCost transportation cost
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin
  eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;

eCost ..          sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) * vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;
eCapacity(i) .. sum[ j , vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;
eDemand (j) .. sum[ i, vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;

model mTransport / all /
  
```

```

sets
  gs(sc) scenarios per GUSS run
  sh solution headers / System.GUSSModelAttributes /
  scen_dem stochastic demand scenario dictionary /
    sc . scenario . ''
    scen_optn . opt . st_report_o

* update the LHS with values of the RHS
pB ← . param . pBS

* store in the RHS with values of the LHS
vX . level . pX
vCost . level . pCost
eDemand . marginal . pPrice /

*****

sets
  I origins / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /
  SC scenarios / sc000*sc999 /

parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity
    / VIGO 350
    ALGECIRAS 700 /

  pBS(sc,j) stochastic destination demand
    / sc000 . MADRID 400
    sc000 . BARCELONA 450
    sc000 . VALENCIA 150 / ;

* lazy input, feeding data for all the scenarios with random demand
pBS(sc,j) = pBS('sc000',j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)] ;

table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost
      MADRID BARCELONA VALENCIA
VIGO 0.06 0.12 0.09
ALGECIRAS 0.05 0.15 0.11 ;
  
```

# Scenario analysis of the transportation problem solved with Grid computing and GUSS (ii)

## sets

```
* using four cores and assignment of scenarios to cores
core      grid jobs to run / core001*core004 /
coresc(core,sc) cores to scenario / core001.(sc000*sc249) /
   core002.(sc250*sc499) /
   core003.(sc500*sc749) /
   core004.(sc750*sc999) /
```

## parameter

```
scen_optn      scenario options / OptFile 2, LogOption 1, SkipBaseCase 1,
   UpdateType 1, RestartType 1, NoMatchLimit 999 /

st_report_o(sc,sh) status report
pGridHandle(core) grid handles ;
```

```
* initialization of the destination demand
```

```
pB(j) = pBS('sc000',j) ;
```

```
mTransport.SolveLink = %SolveLink.AsyncGrid% ;
```

```
* Sending Loop
```

```
loop (core,
      gs(sc) = coresc(core,sc)
      if (sum[gs(sc), 1] > 0,
          solve mTransport using LP minimizing vCost scenario scen_dem ;
          pGridHandle(core) = mTransport.Handle ;
      ) ;
) ;
```

```
* Recovering Loop
```

```
repeat
  loop (core $HandleCollect(pGridHandle(core)),
        display $HandleDelete (pGridHandle(core)) 'Trouble deleting handles' ;
        pGridHandle(core) = 0 ;
  ) ;
```

```
until card(pGridHandle) = 0 or TimeElapsed > 1000 ;
mTransport.SolveLink = %SolveLink.LoadLibrary% ;
```

```
display st_report_o
```

It could be a good idea to include a copy of the recovering loop within the sending loop to ensure that the amount of solves being executed is not larger than a certain number (for example, the number of cores):

```
loop(
  send
  repeat
    recover
  until handles < cores
)
repeat
  recover
until handles = 0
```



Clear Data

## Releasing memory

- a) Define a dummy solve
- b) Clear parameters
- c) Run dummy model

```
option profile=10

set i / 1 * 10000000 /
parameter pp(i) ;

pp(i) = 33 ;

* dummy optimization problem used for releasing memory
variable vDummy
equation eDummy ; eDummy .. vDummy =e= 0 ;
model mDummy / eDummy / ;

* only parameters that are no longer used can be cleared
option Clear=pp

* solve a dummy optimization problem to release memory usage
solve mDummy using LP minimizing vDummy
```

# GAMS to LaTeX

```
sets
  I origins      / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /
```

```
parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity
        / VIGO      350
          ALGECIRAS 700 /

  pB(j) destination demand
        / MADRID    400
          BARCELONA 450
          VALENCIA  150 /
```

```
table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost
        MADRID BARCELONA VALENCIA
VIGO      0.06      0.12      0.09
ALGECIRAS 0.05      0.15      0.11
```

```
variables
  vX(i,j) units transported
  vCost   transportation cost
```

positive variable vX

```
equations
  eCost      transportation cost
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin
  eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;
```

```
eCost      .. sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) * vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;
eCapacity(i) .. sum[ j ,          vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;
eDemand (j) .. sum[ i ,          vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;
```

```
model mTransport / all /
solve mTransport using LP minimizing vCost
```

Generate the doc file

GAMS transport.gms

DocFile=transport

Write the tex file

model2tex transport

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & \sum_{ij} c_{ij} x_{ij} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_j x_{ij} \leq a_i \quad \forall i \\ & \sum_i x_{ij} \geq b_j \quad \forall j \\ & x_{ij} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Symbols

### Sets

Name	Domains	Description
I	*	origins
J	*	destinations

### Parameters

Name	Domains	Description
pA	I	origin capacity
pB	J	destination demand
pC	I, J	per unit transportation cost

### Variables

Name	Domains	Description
vX	I, J	units transported
vCost		transportation cost

### Equations

Name	Domains	Description
eCost		transportation cost
eCapacity	I	maximum capacity of each origin
eDemand	J	demand supply at destination

## Equation Definitions

### eCost

$$\sum_{I,J} (pC_{I,J} \cdot vX_{I,J}) = vCost$$

### eCapacity<sub>I</sub>

$$\sum_J (vX_{I,J}) \leq pA_I \quad \forall I$$

### eDemand<sub>J</sub>

$$\sum_I (vX_{I,J}) \geq pB_J \quad \forall J$$

$$vX_{I,J} \geq 0 \quad \forall I, J$$

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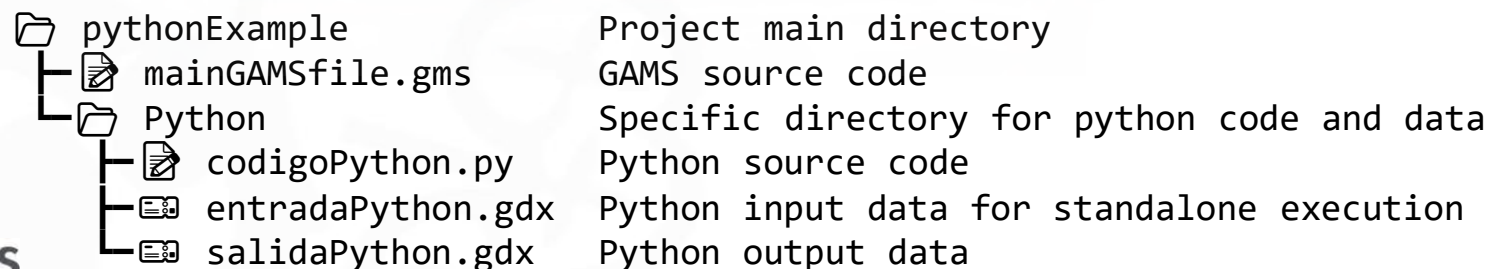


Embedded Python



## GAMS Embedded Code Facility: Python

- From GAMS, it is possible to execute external code in Python.
  - Can be useful to perform actions that GAMS cannot (print figures) or that are more complex (complex data processing with functions and loops)
  - Example: **Print figures during an iterative process to keep track of it**
- GAMS Studio is not an excellent debugging option for Python code. The proposed example provides a generic structure that allows the Python code to be executed during the GAMS execution. It also allows its standalone execution from a more convenient tool like VSCode.
  - GAMS execution from GAMS Studio: no additional concerns are needed, just to run the GAMS code
  - Standalone execution from VSCode: select as python interpreter the one included in the GAMS installation located in "*GAMSdirectory*"/*GMSPython/python.exe*
  - The example is prepared for a particular directory structure:



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# Python embedded code: GAMS code

```
set
nameset /i1*i3/
;

parameters
*value of eps needed in python
s_eps /eps/
*parameters for the example
p_parameter (nameset)
p_parameterB(nameset)
p_parameterC(nameset)
;
```

Create a parameter  
with the “eps” value

```
p_parameter(nameset)=3;
```

```
*sum eps to everything that is going to be send to python so that
* all records are contained in the GDx
```

```
p_parameter(nameset) = p_parameter(nameset) + eps;
```

Add “eps” to all data

```
*GDx file with the input data to python.
```

```
*This is only needed when you plan to execute the python file as standalone,
* otherwise, all data are accessible from the GAMS memory
```

```
execute_unload 'Python/entradaPython.gdx',
s_eps
nameset
p_parameter
;
```

GDx with all data used  
in python. Only needed  
to run python as  
standalone

```
*look for the path of the current file
$setnames "%GAMS.i%" filepath filename fileextension
*Inicia Python
embeddedCode Python:
import traceback
try:
```

```
import pathlib
import sys
```

```
#insert the current path in the system path
path=r'%filepath% '
sys.path.insert(0,str(pathlib.Path(path.strip())))
```

```
#import the function codigo_python and call it sending the GAMS memory,
# and entornoGams=1 so the function knows it has been called from GAMS
from Python.codigoPython import codigo_python
codigo_python(GAMS=GAMS,entornoGams=1)
```

```
except Exception as e:
    traceback.print_exc()
    raise e
endembeddedCode p_parameterB
```

```
*subtract eps from all the data sent to python
* to restore their original values.
```

```
p_parameter(nameset) = p_parameter(nameset) - eps;
```

```
*unload python results from GDx
```

```
execute_load 'Python/salidaPython.gdx', p_parameterC;
```

Load python  
results

Restore data



# Python embedded code: Python code

```
###
import pathlib
#path to this file
path_algoritmo = pathlib.Path(__file__).parent.absolute()
class ParProcessError(Exception):
    pass

### Python Main Function to be called from GAMS
def codigo_python(GAMS,entornoGams=1):
    if entornoGams == 1:
        printGams = lambda msn: GAMS.printLog(str(msn))
    elif entornoGams == 0:
        printGams = lambda msn: print(str(msn))
    else:
        raise Exception("no esta definido el entono de GAMS correctamnte")

    GAMS.epsAsZero=True
    #remove pyomo warnings from the log so that you do not see
    # the precision loss warnings when writing the problem in text
    import logging
    logging.getLogger('pyomo.core').setLevel(logging.ERROR)

    #import libraries
    import GDXpds
    import pandas as pd
    #Load sets. Option depending on set dimensions and use in the code
    #nameset = pd.DataFrame( GAMS.get("nameset"))
    nameset = list(GAMS.get("nameset"))
    #nameset = set (GAMS.get("nameset"))
    #Load parameters/variables(variables have level upper, lower etc)
    p_parameter = pd.Series (dict(GAMS.get("p_parameter" )))

    printGams('Data loaded')
```

Load data

```
#When used outside GAMS, eps becomes 5.0e+300 and must be set to 0.
if entornoGams == 0:
    ss_eps = list(GAMS.get("s_eps"))
    s_eps=ss_eps[0]
    if s_eps>1:
        s_eps = 0.9*s_eps
        p_parameter [p_parameter > s_eps] = 0

#Python may have decimal error when loading from GAMS, therefore,
# for binary data we round to the unit and then convert the type to int
p_parameter = p_parameter.round(0).astype('int')
```

Data correction

#Main Python code

Main code

```
p_parameterB= pd.Series(p_parameter, p_parameter.index)
GAMS.set("p_parameterB",list(p_parameterB.items()))

p_parameterC= pd.DataFrame(p_parameterB, p_parameter.index)
p_parameterC.columns= ['Value']
p_parameterC.index.name = 'nameset'
p_parameterC.reset_index(level=['nameset'], inplace=True)
Datos = {'p_parameterC' : p_parameterC,
        }

GDX_file = str(path_algoritmo.joinpath('salidaPython.gdx'))
GDX = GDXpds.to_GDX(Datos, GDX_file)
```

Prepare output data

```
###When this file is executed directly without being imported by another (when not called from GAMS)
if __name__ == "__main__":
    # Import a GDX simulating GAMS memory
    from GAMSemb import ECGAMSDatabase
    GAMS = ECGAMSDatabase(r' ', 'entradaPython.gdx')
    GAMS.arguments = '-a c -b -db abc'
    codigo_python(GAMS,entornoGams=0)
```

# Python/Pyomo

Pyomo is a Python library that allows defining optimization models using an algebraic language like the one used by GAMS.

Pros:

- Open source
- Active development by a vast community
- Processing of data and results can benefit from Python libraries, graphical functions, etc.

Cons:

- GAMS has been developed for a longer time. Some options that are easy to use in GAMS are not so trivial with Pyomo (or may not exist yet)
- Worse documentation

A simple but detailed (following good practices) example that can be used as a base is available in the:

[https://gitlab001.iit.comillas.edu/pdeotaola/Ejemplo\\_Optimizacion\\_Python-Pyomo](https://gitlab001.iit.comillas.edu/pdeotaola/Ejemplo_Optimizacion_Python-Pyomo)



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Connect (data input and output)

## Connect

GAMS Connect allows reading and writing data directly from/to:

- Excel
- CSV
- GDX

It uses yaml for a user-friendly programming code

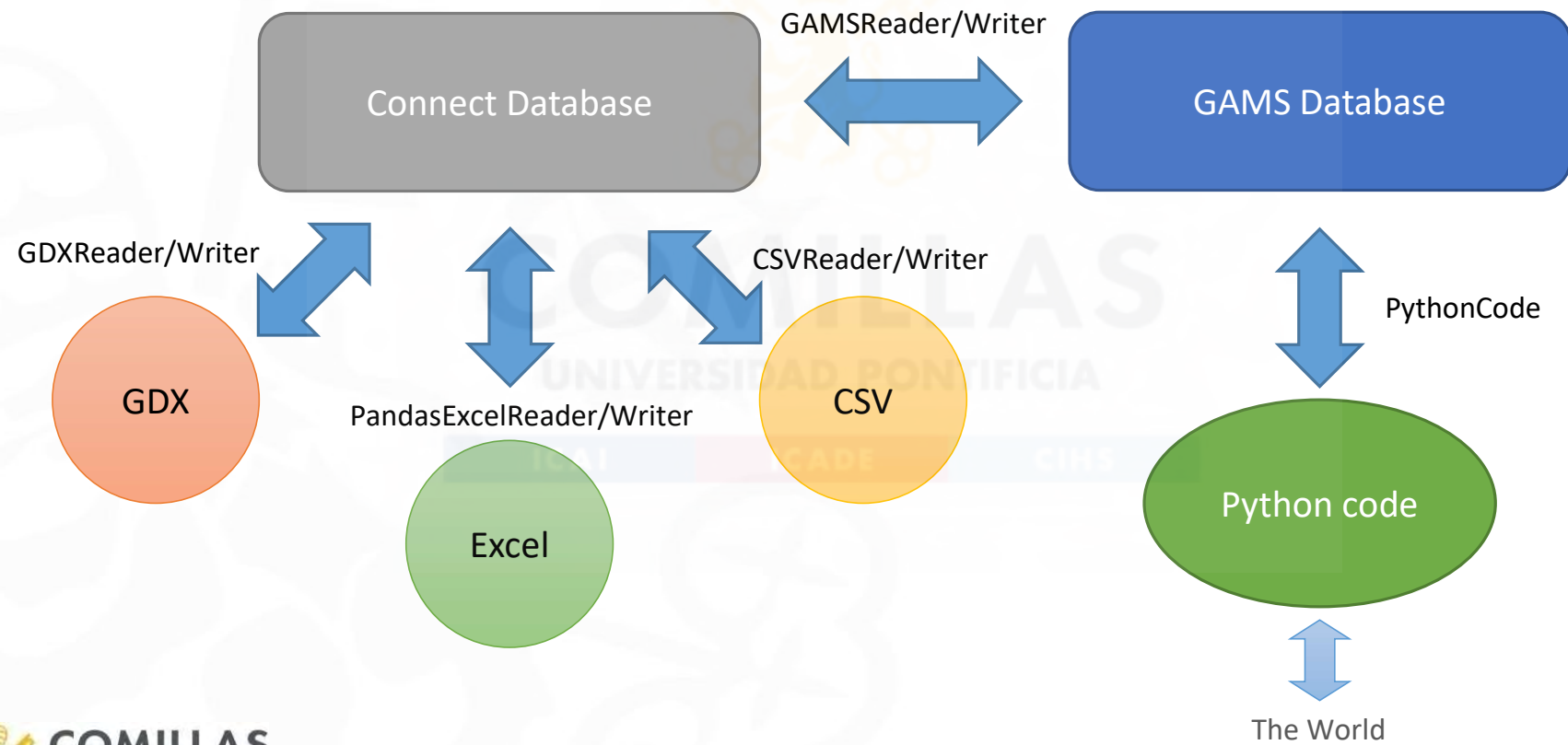
The code can be run with the **embedded code facility** or with a command line parameter:

- **ConnectIn='scriptfile'**: executes the instructions in 'file' at the beginning of the GAMS execution. As the sets and parameters are not defined, it can be used, for example, to build a single GDX from several input files that will be available for latter
- **ConnectOut = 'scriptfile'**: executes the instructions in 'file' at the end of the GAMS execution. It can be used to store all the required data from the model

When using the embedded code facility is also possible to use **python code**.

[https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG\\_GAMSCONNECT.html](https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG_GAMSCONNECT.html)

## Connect





# Connect

Connect agent	Description
<a href="#">CSVReader</a>	Allows reading a symbol from a specified CSV file into the Connect database.
<a href="#">CSVWriter</a>	Allows writing a symbol in the Connect database to a specified CSV file.
<a href="#">GAMSReader</a>	Allows reading symbols from the GAMS database into the Connect database.
<a href="#">GAMSWriter</a>	Allows writing symbols in the Connect database to the GAMS database.
<a href="#">GDXReader</a>	Allows reading symbols from a specified GDX file into the Connect database.
<a href="#">GDXWriter</a>	Allows writing symbols in the Connect database to a specified GDX file.
<a href="#">Options</a>	Allows to set more general options that can affect the Connect database and other Connect agents.
<a href="#">PandasExcelReader</a>	Allows reading symbols from a specified Excel file into the Connect database.
<a href="#">PandasExcelWriter</a>	Allows writing symbols in the Connect database to a specified Excel file.
<a href="#">Projection</a>	Allows index reordering and projection onto a reduced index space of a GAMS symbol.
<a href="#">PythonCode</a>	Allows executing arbitrary Python code.
<a href="#">RawExcelReader</a>	Allows reading unstructured data from a specified Excel file into the Connect database.

**At the end of the GAMS execution**

```
*Out.yaml
```

- GAMSReader:
  - symbols:
    - name: p\_A
- PandasExcelWriter:
  - file: myworkbook.xlsx
  - symbols:
    - name: p\_A
    - range: out!A1
    - rowDimension: 1

Read from GAMS to connect

Write from connect to excel

In	A	B	C	D	F	G
1	i	j	k		p_B	
2				j1	j2	
3	i1	j1	k1			
4	i2	j2	k2	i1	1	4
5	i3		k3	i2	2	5
6			k4	i3	3	6

Out	A	B	C	D	F	G	H	I	J
1			j1				j2		
2		k1	k2	k3	k4	k1	k2	k3	k4
3									
4	i1	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
5	i2	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
6	i3	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10

Data.xlsx

\*Command line parameters: connectOut=out.yaml

```
sets
i (*)
j (*)
k (*);
parameters
p_A(i,j,k)
p_B(i,j)
p_C(i,j);

$onEmbeddedCode Connect:
- PandasExcelReader:
  file: Data.xlsx
  symbols:
    - name: i
      type: set
      range: In!A2:A5
      rowDimension: 1
      columnDimension: 0
    - name: j
      type: set
      range: In!B2:B4
      rowDimension: 1
      columnDimension: 0
    - name: k
      type: set
      range: In!C2:C6
      rowDimension: 1
      columnDimension: 0
    - name: p_B
      range: In!D2:F6
      rowDimension: 1
      columnDimension: 1
- GAMSWriter:
  writeAll: True
- PythonCode:
  code: |
    import numpy as np
    import pandas as pd
    df = pd.Series(dict(GAMS.get('p_B')))
    df *= 2
    GAMS.set('p_C', list(df.items()))
$offEmbeddedCode
p_A(i,j,k)=10;
```

Read from excel to connect

Write from connect to GAMS

Python: read from GAMS, modify and write back to GAMS



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## Performance Issues

# Finding and Fixing Execution Errors and Performance Problems



- Resolving Execution Errors
- Small to Large: Aid in Development and Debugging
- Increasing Efficiency: Reducing GAMS Execution Time
- Increasing Efficiency: Reducing Memory Use



[https://www.gams.com/latest/docs/UG\\_ExecErrPerformance.html](https://www.gams.com/latest/docs/UG_ExecErrPerformance.html)



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## Guidelines for Numerical Issues

I strongly recommend going through these web pages to improve the numerical properties of the optimization model.

- Avoid rounding of input
- Real numbers are not real
- Tolerances and user-scaling
  - Models at the edge of infeasibility
  - Gurobi tolerances and the limitations of double-precision arithmetic
  - Why scaling and geometry is relevant
  - Recommended ranges for variables and constraints
  - Improving ranges for variables and constraints
  - Advanced user scaling
  - Avoid hiding large coefficients
  - Dealing with big-M constraints
- Does my model have numerical issues?
- Solver parameters to manage numerical issues
  - Presolve
  - Choosing the right algorithm
  - Making the algorithm less sensitive
- Instability and the geometry of optimization problems
  - The case of linear systems:
  - The geometry of linear optimization problems
  - Multiple optimal solutions
  - Dealing with epsilon-optimal solutions
  - Thin feasible regions
  - Optimizing over the circle:
  - Optimizing over thin regions:
  - Stability and convergence



# LP Performance issues and their suggested resolution

LP performance issue	Suggested resolution
Numerical instability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calculate and input model data in double precision</li> <li>• Eliminate nearly-redundant rows and/or columns of <i>A</i> <i>a priori</i></li> <li>• Avoid mixtures of large and small numbers:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Be suspicious of <math>\kappa</math> between <math>10^{10}</math> and <math>10^{14}</math>;</li> <li>(ii) Avoid data leading to <math>\kappa</math> greater than <math>10^{14}</math></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Use alternate scaling (in the model formulation or optimizer settings)</li> <li>• Increase the Markowitz threshold</li> <li>• Employ the numerical emphasis parameter (if available)</li> </ul>
Lack of objective function improvement under degeneracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Try all other algorithms (and variants)</li> <li>• Perturb data either <i>a priori</i> or using algorithmic settings</li> </ul>
Primal degeneracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use either dual simplex or interior point on primal problem</li> </ul>
Dual degeneracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Employ either primal simplex or interior point on primal problem</li> </ul>
Both primal and dual degeneracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Execute interior point on primal or dual problem</li> </ul>
Excessive time per iteration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Try all other algorithms (and variants)</li> <li>• Use algorithmic settings to conserve memory or purchase more externally</li> <li>• Try less expensive pricing settings if using simplex algorithms</li> </ul>
Excessive simplex algorithm iterations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Try Steepest edge or Devex variable selection</li> </ul>
Multiple bound shift removals or significant infeasibilities after removing shifts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce feasibility and optimality tolerances</li> </ul>
Barrier algorithm iterations with little or no progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase barrier convergence tolerance in order to initiate crossover earlier</li> </ul>
Too much time in crossover	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce barrier convergence tolerance in order to provide a better starting point for crossover</li> </ul>

E. Klotz, A.M. Newman *Practical guidelines for solving difficult linear programs* Surveys in Operations Research and Management Science 18 (1-2), 1-17, Oct 2013 [10.1016/j.sorms.2012.12.001](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.sorms.2012.12.001)

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# Preprocessing by Gurobi

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--- StarNetLite_TEPM_Iceland.gms(15000) 986 Mb
--- 1,167,736 rows 2,004,441 columns 8,140,314 non-zeroes
--- 0 nl-code 0 nl-non-zeroes
--- 7 discrete-columns
*** 63,652 relaxed-columns WARNING
--- StarNetLite_TEPM_Iceland.gms(15000) 984 Mb
--- Executing GUROBI: elapsed 0:00:20.917
--- StarNetLite_TEPM_Iceland.gms(15000) 984 Mb 3 secs
```

40 % reduction in rows,  
38 % in columns and  
30 % in nonzeros

Gurobi 24.6.1 r55820 Released Jan 18, 2016 WEI x86 64bit/MS  
Windows

Gurobi link license.  
Gurobi library version 6.5.0  
Reading parameter(s) from "C:\Users\aramos\Desktop\Aramos\TEPES\gurobi.opt"

```
>> Method 2
>> IntFeasTol 1e-9
>> OptimalityTol 1e-9
>> FeasibilityTol 1e-9
>> IIS 1
>> RINS 100
>> DisplayInterval 1
>> NumericFocus 1
>> Kappa 1
>> MarkowitzTol 0.999
>> UseBasis 0
>> CrossOver 0
>> Names 0
>> AggFill 0
>> GomoryPasses 0
>> Heuristics 0.001
>> MipFocus 3
>> *PreDual 0
>> *PrePasses 3
>> *PreSolve 2
>> *PreSparsify 1
```

Finished reading from "C:\Users\aramos\Desktop\Aramos\TEPES\gurobi.opt"  
Starting Gurobi...  
Optimize a model with 1167735 rows, 2004440 columns and 8140308 nonzeros  
Coefficient statistics:  
Matrix range [7e-09, 1e+03]  
Objective range [1e+00, 1e+00]  
Bounds range [4e-07, 5e+00]  
RHS range [1e-18, 1e+01]  
Presolve removed 257457 rows and 497937 columns (presolve time = 2s) ...  
Presolve removed 259520 rows and 500000 columns (presolve time = 2s) ...  
Presolve removed 470416 rows and 710896 columns (presolve time = 3s) ...  
Presolve removed 470616 rows and 711132 columns (presolve time = 4s) ...  
Presolve removed 470666 rows and 753485 columns (presolve time = 5s) ...  
Presolve removed 470705 rows and 753535 columns (presolve time = 6s) ...  
Presolve removed 470705 rows and 753535 columns  
Presolve time: 6.23s

Presolved: 697030 rows, 1250905 columns, 5645696 nonzeros

# Preprocessing by Gurobi

## Case SEP2030

```
Read LP format model from file openTEPES_SEP2030sto.lp
Reading time = 106.19 seconds
eTotalTCost: 2999548 rows, 3513436 columns, 11508142 nonzeros
Statistics for model eTotalTCost :
  Linear constraint matrix : 2999548 Constrs, 3513436 Vars, 11508142 NZs
  Variable types          : 2858236 Continuous, 655200 Integer (655200 Binary)
  Matrix coefficient range : [ 0.00092, 5000 ]
  Objective coefficient range : [ 1, 1 ]
  Variable bound range    : [ 0.00120252, 4307.64 ]
  RHS coefficient range    : [ 0.00120223, 2765.6 ]
Presolve removed 445826 rows and 519558 columns (presolve time = 6s) ...
Presolve removed 728231 rows and 831354 columns (presolve time = 10s) ...
Presolve removed 927371 rows and 840000 columns (presolve time = 15s) ...
Presolve removed 932122 rows and 845683 columns (presolve time = 20s) ...
Presolve removed 941267 rows and 858479 columns (presolve time = 25s) ...
Presolve removed 952315 rows and 872117 columns (presolve time = 30s) ...
Presolve removed 969568 rows and 892522 columns (presolve time = 35s) ...
Presolve removed 974714 rows and 902410 columns (presolve time = 44s) ...
Presolve removed 974731 rows and 902410 columns (presolve time = 53s) ...
Presolve removed 974731 rows and 902410 columns
Presolve time: 53.20s
Statistics for model eTotalTCost_pre :
  Linear constraint matrix : 2024817 Constrs, 2611026 Vars, 8347459 NZs
  Variable types          : 2392626 Continuous, 218400 Integer (218400 Binary)
  Matrix coefficient range : [ 0.0319163, 5000 ]
  Objective coefficient range : [ 0.00092, 2 ]
  Variable bound range    : [ 0.0002, 4307.64 ]
  RHS coefficient range    : [ 0.000141, 3281.46 ]
```

## Case ES2030

```
eTotalTCost: 5162243 rows, 6832942 columns, 21554828 nonzeros
Statistics for model eTotalTCost :
  Linear constraint matrix : 5162243 Constrs, 6832942 Vars, 21554828 NZs
  Matrix coefficient range : [ 0.000107523, 3554.92 ]
  Objective coefficient range : [ 1, 1 ]
  Variable bound range    : [ 6.08628e-06, 4307.64 ]
  RHS coefficient range    : [ 0.00483795, 2844.48 ]
Presolve removed 547789 rows and 739037 columns (presolve time = 8s) ...
Presolve removed 1386313 rows and 1577561 columns (presolve time = 10s) ...
Presolve removed 1387761 rows and 1579009 columns (presolve time = 16s) ...
Presolve removed 1389569 rows and 1611781 columns (presolve time = 20s) ...
Presolve removed 1389569 rows and 1614605 columns
Statistics for model eTotalTCost_pre :
  Linear constraint matrix : 3772674 Constrs, 5218337 Vars, 15088689 NZs
  Matrix coefficient range : [ 0.0002813, 2488.05 ]
  Objective coefficient range : [ 0.000107523, 163.402 ]
  Variable bound range    : [ 6.08628e-06, 4307.64 ]
  RHS coefficient range    : [ 0.00258675, 2844.48 ]
```

## Preprocessing by Gurobi Python shell

- Before and after presolve can help you in detecting improvements in the formulation
- Allows getting the optimization problem after the presolve

```
ModelName          = read("OriginalProblem.lp")
ModelNamePresolved = ModelName.presolve()
ModelNamePresolved.write("PresolvedProblem.lp")
```
- Gurobi Model Analyzer (`gurobi_modelanalyzer`) allows to detect numerical problems

## Some tips for MIP

- Think about **lazy constraints** (only in GAMS/CPLEX/Gurobi)
- Avoid introducing symmetry (totally equal decision variables). GAMS/CPLEX has a symmetry-breaking cut parameter
  - Symmetry-breaking constraint  $x_i \geq x_{i+1}$
- Avoid the use of big  $M$  parameters or put tight (lowest upper bound) values for the big  $M$
- GAMS/CPLEX/Gurobi supports the use of an **indicator constraint**  $x \leq My$

$\min Fy + Vx$   
 $x \leq My$   
 $x \geq 0$   
 $y \in \{0,1\}$

$\min Fy + Vx$   
 $x \leq 0$   
 $x \geq 0$   
 $y \in \{0,1\}$

Write in the file cplex.opt  
`indic constraint$y 0`



## Reformulation in MIP problems

- Most MIP problems can be formulated in different ways
- In MIP problems, a **good** formulation is crucial to solve the model
- How good is a MIP formulation?
  - **Integrality gap**: the difference between the objective function of the MIP and LP relaxation solutions
- Given two equivalent MIP formulations, one is **stronger** (**tighter/better**) than the other if the feasible region of the linear relaxation is strictly contained in the feasible region of the other. **The integrality gap is lower.**

## Warehouse location problem (no limits) (i)

- Choose **where to locate warehouses** among a set of locations and assign clients to the warehouses, minimizing the total cost. **No limits** mean that there is no limit on the number of clients assigned to a warehouse.

- **Data**

$j$  locations

$i$  clients

$c_j$  localization cost in  $j$

$h_{ij}$  cost of satisfying the demand of client  $i$  from  $j$

- **Variables**

$$y_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{warehouse located in } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$x_{ij}$  fraction of demand of client  $i$  met from  $j$

## Warehouse location problem (no limits) (ii)

### Formulation #1

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_j c_j y_j + \sum_{ij} h_{ij} x_{ij} \\ & \sum_j x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \\ & x_{ij} \leq y_j \quad \forall ij \\ & y_j \in \{0,1\}, x_{ij} \in [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

Number of constraints:  $I + IJ$

### Formulation #2

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_j c_j y_j + \sum_{ij} h_{ij} x_{ij} \\ & \sum_j x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall i \\ & \sum_i x_{ij} \leq M y_j \quad \forall j \\ & y_j \in \{0,1\}, x_{ij} \in [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

Number of constraints:  $I + J$

- Both formulations are **MIP equivalent**. However, **formulation #1** is **stronger**
- Intuitively the fewer constraints the better. That's true in LP. However, **in many MIP problems, the more constraints, the better.**

# Production problem with fixed and inventory costs (i)

- Data
  - $t$  time period
  - $c_t$  fixed cost,  $p_t$  variable cost,  $h_t$  inventory cost
  - $d_t$  demand
- Variables
  - $y_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{to produce} \\ 0 & \text{not produce} \end{cases}$
  - $x_t$  amount produced
  - $s_t$  inventory at the end of the period
- Formulation #1

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_t (c_t y_t + p_t x_t + h_t s_t) \\ & s_{t-1} + x_t = d_t + s_t \quad \forall t \\ & x_t \leq M y_t \quad \forall t \\ & s_0 = s_T = 0 \\ & x_t, s_t \geq 0, y_t \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Number of constraints:  $2T$

Number of variables:  $3T$

# Production problem with fixed and inventory costs (ii)

- Variables

$$y_t = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{to produce} \\ 0 & \text{not produce} \end{cases}$$

$q_{it}$  quantity produced in period  $i$  to meet the demand in period  $t \geq i$

- Formulation #2

$$\min \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^t (p_i + h_i + h_{i+1} + \dots + h_{t-1}) q_{it} + \sum_{t=1}^T c_t y_t$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^t q_{it} = d_t \quad \forall t$$

$$q_{it} \leq d_t y_i \quad \forall it$$

$$q_{it} \geq 0, y_t \in \{0,1\}$$

Number of constraints:  $T + T^2/2$

Number of variables:  $T + T^2/2$

- Formulation #2 is better. However, it has a greater number of constraints and variables.



# Tight and compact unit commitment

- D.A. Tejada-Arango, S. Lumbreras, P. Sánchez-Martín, and A. Ramos [\*Which Unit-Commitment Formulation is Best? A Systematic Comparison\*](#) IEEE Transactions on Power Systems 35 (4): 2926-2936 Jul 2020 [10.1109/TPWRS.2019.2962024](#)
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## Ramp constraints

$$P_{nt} - P_{n-1,t} \leq rup_t$$

$$P_{n-1,t} - P_{nt} \leq rdw_t$$

Classical

$$P_{nt} - P_{n-1,t} \leq rup_t UC_{nt}$$

$$P_{n-1,t} - P_{nt} \leq rdw_t (UC_{nt} + SD_{nt})$$

Tighter

- Ramp equations are considered in the periods **only when the unit is connected**

$P_{nt}$  : output above the minimum load

$rup_t$ : upwards ramp limit for generator  $t$

$rdw_t$ : downwards ramp limit for generator  $t$

$UC_{nt}$ : 1 if generator  $t$  is connected in hour  $n$ , 0 otherwise

$SU_{nt}$ : 1 if generator  $t$  is started in hour  $n$

$SD_{nt}$ : 1 if generator  $t$  is shutdown in hour  $n$

## Why the constraint is tighter?

Given that the constraint uses the output above the minimum load, it can only be applied when the unit is committed until the following period the unit was committed.

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$UC_n$	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
$SU_n$	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
$SD_n$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
RampUp $UC_n$	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
RampDw $UC_n + SD_n$	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0

# Reformulation of an NLP problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n q_{ij} x_i x_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n x_j &= 1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^n r_j x_j &= r_0 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i \\ w_i &= \sum_{j=i+1}^n q_{ij} x_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n x_j &= 1 \\ \sum_{j=1}^n r_j x_j &= r_0 \end{aligned}$$

- **Formulation #2** is **better than the #1**. The evaluation of the objective function in #1 requires  $2n^2/2$  multiplications. In #2 only  $n + n^2/2$
- Formulation #3 has essentially the same number of multiplications, but they appear in linear constraints. The number of constraints is bigger, but all of them are linear. Linear algebra is much more efficient. **Formulation #3 is the most efficient**

## Reformulation of an NLP problem

$$\min \frac{x + y}{\sum_i z_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \frac{u}{v} \\ u &= x + y \\ v &= \sum_i z_i \\ v &\geq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

- **Formulation #1** has a lot of nonlinear variables, and it is not protected against division by zero
- **Formulation #2** has only 2 nonlinear variables; the remaining ones appear in linear equations, and the denominator is lower bounded to avoid division by zero. The model is easier to solve and more robust

## Product of two variables $x_1 x_2$

$$x_1 x_2 = y_1^2 - y_2^2$$

Quadratic separable form

$$y_1 = (x_1 + x_2)/2$$

$$y_2 = (x_1 - x_2)/2$$

$$l_1 \leq x_1 \leq u_1$$

$$l_2 \leq x_2 \leq u_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(l_1 + l_2) \leq y_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}(u_1 + u_2)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(l_1 - u_2) \leq y_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}(u_1 - l_2)$$

Bradley, Hax, and Magnanti *Applied Mathematical Programming* Addison-Wesley, 1977



# Solving large-scale problems

- MIP
  - Solve with a **sensible relative optimality tolerance**
  - Provide an **initial solution** based on specific knowledge of the model or use the solution from a previous solve
- NLP
  - Introduce **sensible bounds** on variables **AND**
  - Provide a **good enough starting point AND**
  - **Scale** the problem

## MIP models. Gurobi parameters

- Most important parameters
    - Threads, MIPFocus
  - Solution Improvement
    - ImproveStartTime, ImproveStartGap
  - Termination
    - TimeLimit
    - MIPGap, MIPGapAbs
    - NodeLimit, IterationLimit, SolutionLimit
    - Cutoff
  - Speeding Up The Root Relaxation
    - Method
- ☐ Numerical issues
    - ✓ Presolve, PrePasses, Aggregate, AggFill, PreSparsify, PreDual, PreDepRow
    - ✓ NumericFocus
  - ☐ Heuristics
    - ✓ Heuristics, SubMIPNodes, MinRelNodes, PumpPasses, ZeroObjNodes
    - ✓ RINS 100
  - ☐ Cutting Planes
    - ✓ Cuts, GomoryPasses, FlowCoverCuts, MIRcuts

[https://www.gurobi.com/documentation/current/refman/mip\\_models.html](https://www.gurobi.com/documentation/current/refman/mip_models.html)

## CPLEX Performance Tuning for MIP

- ☐ Names no
- ☐ NodeFileInd 3
- ☐ NodeSel 0
- ☐ VarSel 3
- ☐ StartAlg 4
- ☐ MemoryEmphasis 1
- ☐ WorkMem 1000
- ☐ MIPEmphasis 2
- ☐ MIPSearch 2
- ☐ SolveFinal 0
- ☐ Solution Polishing
- ☐ **Solution pool**
- ☐ FlowCovers
- ☐ FeasOptMode 2
- ☐ FeasOpt 1
- ☐ tuning cplex.opt
- ☐ RINSHeur 100
- ☐ FpHeur 2

### *Pure branch and bound*

- ☐ Cuts -1
- ☐ HeurFreq -1

### *Presolve*

- ☐ PreInd, PrePass

### ☐ Solution method of LP problem

- ✓ First iteration (interior point or simplex method)
- ✓ Successive iterations (primal or dual simplex)

### ☐ Priority for variable selection

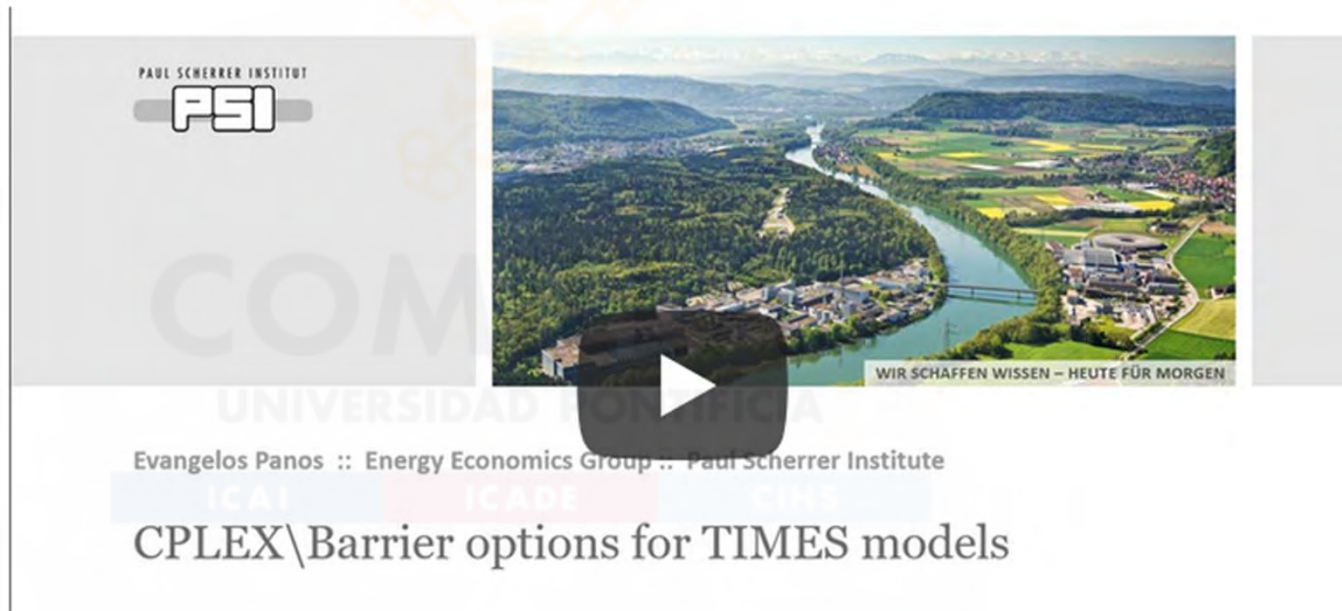
- ✓ Select variables that impact the most in the o.f. (e.g., investment vs. operation variables)

### ☐ Initial cutoff or incumbent

- ✓ Initial valid bound of the o.f. estimated by the user

<https://www.ibm.com/support/pages/cplex-performance-tuning-mixed-integer-programs>

# How to Tune CPLEX Options for TIMES models



<https://iea-etsap.org/webinar/CPLEX%20options%20for%20running%20TIMES%20models.pdf>



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1. Programming Style
2. GAMS Code
3. Embedded Python
4. Connect
5. Performance Issues
6. **Advanced Algorithms**



## Advanced Algorithms

# Fixed-Charge Transportation Problem (FCTP)

**Flows**  
(second stage)

**Investment decisions**  
(first stage)

Capacity of each origin

Demand of each destination

Flow can pass only for installed connections

Complete problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_{ij}, y_{ij}} \quad & \sum_{ij} (f_{ij} y_{ij} + c_{ij} x_{ij}) \\ \sum_j x_{ij} & \leq a_i \quad \forall i \\ \sum_i x_{ij} & \geq b_j \quad \forall j \\ x_{ij} & \leq M_{ij} y_{ij} \quad \forall ij \\ x_{ij} & \geq 0, y_{ij} \in \{0,1\} \end{aligned}$$

- Bd Relaxed Master

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{y_{ij}, \theta} \quad & \sum_{ij} (f_{ij} y_{ij}) + \theta \\ \delta^l \theta - \theta^l & \geq \sum_{ij} \pi_{ij}^l M_{ij} (y_{ij}^l - y_{ij}) \quad l = 1, \dots, k \\ y_{ij} & \in \{0,1\} \end{aligned}$$

O.F. of the subproblem at iteration  $l$

Dual variables of linking constraints at iteration  $l$

Master proposal at iteration  $l$

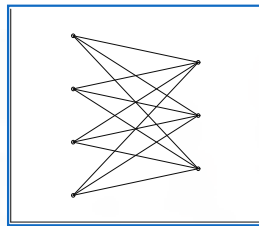
- Bd Subproblem

$$\begin{aligned} \theta^k &= \min_{x_{ij}} \sum_{ij} (c_{ij} x_{ij}) \\ \sum_j x_{ij} & \leq a_i \quad \forall i \\ \sum_i x_{ij} & \geq b_j \quad \forall j \\ x_{ij} & \leq M_{ij} y_{ij}^k \quad \forall ij : \pi_{ij}^k \\ x_{ij} & \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

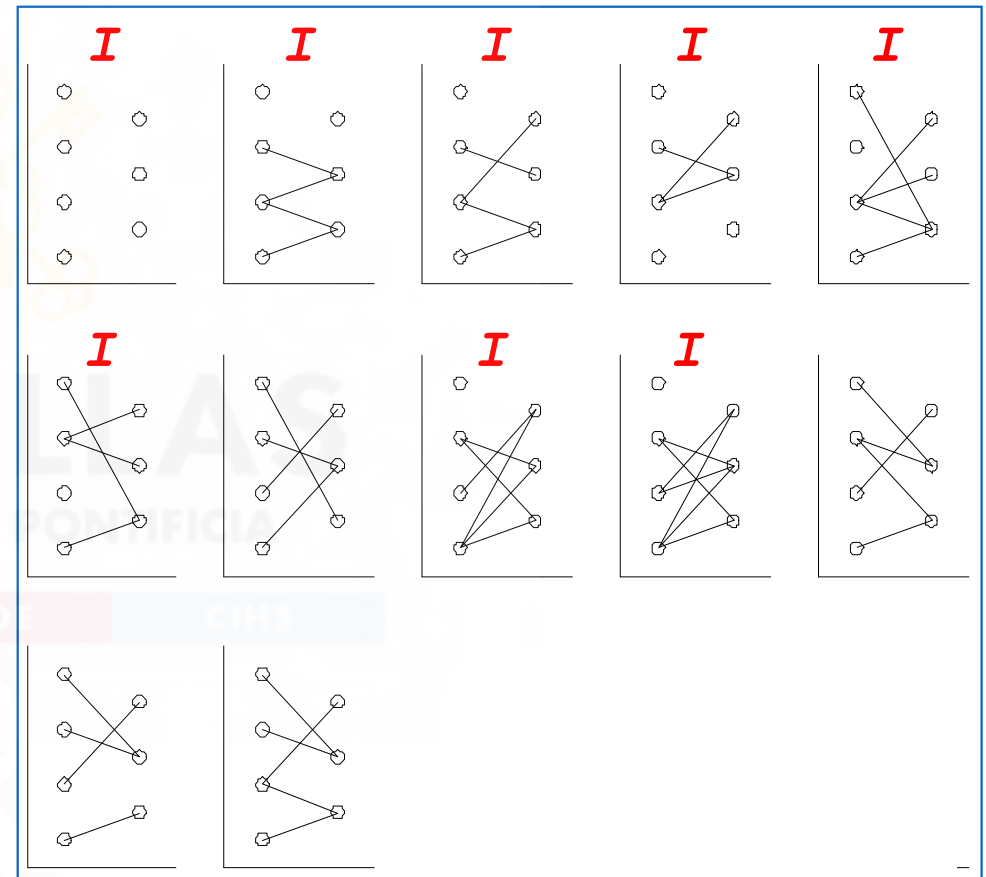


# Fixed-Charge Transportation Problem. Bd Solution

- Possible arcs

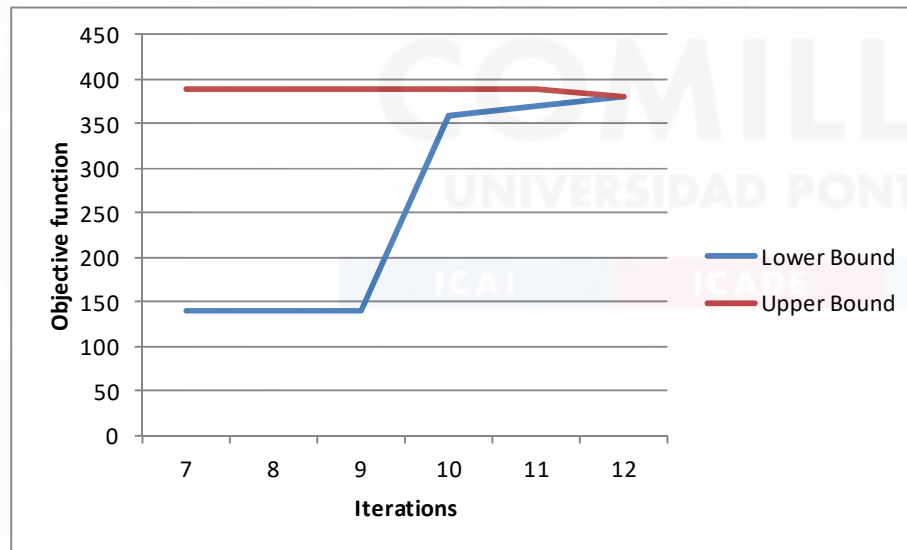


- Solutions along Benders decomposition iterations



# Fixed-Charge Transportation Problem. Bd Convergence

<i>Iteration</i>	<i>Lower Bound</i>	<i>Upper Bound</i>
<i>1 a 6</i>	$-\infty$	$\infty$
<i>7</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>390</i>
<i>8</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>390</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>390</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>360</i>	<i>390</i>
<i>11</i>	<i>370</i>	<i>390</i>
<i>12</i>	<i>380</i>	<i>380</i>



# FCTP solved by Benders decomposition (i)

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/BendersDecomposition\\_FCTP.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/BendersDecomposition_FCTP.gms)

```
$Title Fixed-charge transportation problem (FCTP) solved by Benders decomposition
```

```
* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems
```

```
option OptcR = 0
```

```
sets
```

```

L          iterations      / 11 * 120 /
LL(1)     iterations subset
I          origins         / i1 * i4 /
J          destinations    / j1 * j3 /

```

```
* Begin problem data
```

```
parameters
```

```

A(i)      product offer
          / i1 10, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
B(j)      product demand
          / j1 20, j2 50, j3 30 /

```

```
table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
```

	j1	j2	j3
i1	1	2	3
i2	3	2	1
i3	2	3	4
i4	4	3	2

```
table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
```

	j1	j2	j3
i1	10	20	30
i2	20	30	40
i3	30	40	50
i4	40	50	60

```
* End problem data
```

```
abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem'
```

```
parameters
```

```

BdTol      relative Benders tolerance / 1e-6 /
Z_Lower    lower bound                / -inf /
Z_Upper    upper bound                /  inf /
Y_L (1,i,j) first stage variables values      in iteration 1
PI_L (1,i,j) dual variables of second stage constraints in iteration 1
Delta(1)   cut type (feasibility 0 optimality 1) in iteration 1
ZZ_L (1)   subproblem objective function value  in iteration 1

```

```
positive variable
```

```
X(i,j)      arc flow
```

```
binary variable
```

```
Y(i,j)      arc investment decision
```

```
variables
```

```

Z1          first stage objective function
Z2          second stage objective function
Theta      recourse function

```

# FCTP solved by Benders decomposition (ii)

```

equations
EQ_Z1      first stage   objective function
EQ_Z2      second stage  objective function
EQ_OBJ     complete problem objective function
Offer      (i ) offer   at origin
Demand     ( j) demand  at destination
FlowLimit(i,j) arc flow limit
Bd_Cuts    (1) Benders cuts ;

EQ_Z1      .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + Theta ;
EQ_Z2      .. Z2 =e= sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] ;
EQ_OBJ     .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] ;
Offer      (i ) .. sum[j, X(i,j)] =l= A(i) ;
Demand     ( j) .. sum[i, X(i,j)] =g= B(j) ;
FlowLimit(i,j) .. X(i,j) =l= min[A(i),B(j)] * Y(i,j) ;
Bd_Cuts(1l) .. Delta(1l) * Theta =g= Z2_L(1l) -
               sum[(i,j), PI_L(1l,i,j) * min[A(i),B(j)] * (Y_L(1l,i,j) - Y(i,j))] ;

model Master_Bd / EQ_Z1 Bd_Cuts /
model Subproblem_Bd / EQ_Z2 Offer Demand FlowLimit /
model Complete / EQ_OBJ Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;

X.up(i,j) = min[A(i),B(j)]

* to allow CPLEX correctly detect rays in an infeasible problem
* only simplex method can be used and no preprocessing neither scaling options
* optimality and feasibility tolerances are very small to avoid primal degeneration

file COPT / cplex.opt /
put COPT putclose 'ScaInd -1' / 'LPMethod 1' / 'PreInd 0' / 'EpOpt 1e-9' / 'EpRHS 1e-9' / ;

Subproblem_Bd.OptFile = 1 ;
    
```

# FCTP solved by Benders decomposition (iii)

```
* parameter initialization
LL      (1) = no ;
Delta   (1) = 0 ;
Z2_L    (1) = 0 ;
PI_L(1,i,j) = 0 ;
Y_L (1,i,j) = 0 ;

* Benders algorithm iterations
Theta.fx = 0 ;
loop (1 $(abs(1-Z_Lower/Z_Upper) > BdTol),

* solving master problem
  solve Master_Bd using MIP minimizing Z1 ;

* storing the master solution
  Y_L(1,i,j) = Y.L(i,j) ;

* fixing first-stage variables and solving subproblem
  V.fx( i,j) = Y.L(i,j) ;

* solving subproblem
  solve Subproblem_Bd using RMIP minimizing Z2 ;

* storing parameters to build a new Benders cut
  if (Subproblem_Bd.ModelStat = 4,
    Delta(1) = 0 ;
    Z2_L (1) = Subproblem_Bd.SumInfes ;
  else
    * updating lower and upper bound
    Z_Lower = Z1.L ;
    Z_Upper = min(Z_Upper, Z1.L - Theta.L + Z2.L) ;

    Theta.lo = -inf ;
    Theta.up = inf ;

    Delta(1) = 1 ;
    Z2_L (1) = Subproblem_Bd.ObjVal ;
  ) ;

  PI_L(1,i,j) = FlowLimit.m(i,j) ;

  Y.lo( i,j) = 0 ;
  Y.up( i,j) = 1 ;

* increase the set of Benders cuts
  LL(1) = yes ;
) ;

solve Complete using MIP minimizing Z1
```

# Stochastic FCTP

**Flows**  
(second stage)

**Investment decisions**  
(first stage)

Complete problem

Capacity of each origin

Demand of each destination

Flow can go only for installed connections

$$\min_{x_{ij}^{\omega}, y_{ij}} \sum_{ij} \left( f_{ij} y_{ij} + \sum_{\omega} p_{\omega} c_{ij} x_{ij}^{\omega} \right)$$

$$\sum_j x_{ij}^{\omega} \leq a_i \quad \forall i \omega$$

$$\sum_i x_{ij}^{\omega} \geq b_j^{\omega} \quad \forall j \omega$$

$$x_{ij}^{\omega} \leq M_{ij}^{\omega} y_{ij} \quad \forall ij \omega$$

$$x_{ij}^{\omega} \geq 0, y_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$$



# Deterministic & Stochastic FCTP

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP\\_Sto.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP_Sto.gms)

```

$title Deterministic fixed-charge transportation problem (DFCTP)

* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems
option OptcR = 0

sets
    I          origins          / i1 * i4 /
    J          destinations     / j1 * j3 /

parameters
    A(i)       product offer    / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
    B(j)       product demand   / j1 20, j2 50, j3 30 /

table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
    j1 j2 j3
    i1 1 2 3
    i2 3 2 1
    i3 2 3 4
    i4 4 3 2

table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
    j1 j2 j3
    i1 10 20 30
    i2 20 30 40
    i3 30 40 50
    i4 40 50 60

abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem'

positive variable
    X(i,j)      arc flow
binary variable
    Y(i,j)      arc investment decision
variables
    Z1          objective function

equations
    EQ_OBJ      complete problem objective function
    Offer (i)   offer at origin
    Demand (j)  demand at destination
    FlowLimit(i,j) arc flow limit ;

EQ_OBJ .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] ;
Offer (i) .. sum[j, X(i,j)] =l= A(i) ;
Demand (j) .. sum[i, X(i,j)] =g= B(j) ;
FlowLimit(i,j) .. X(i,j) =l= min[A(i),B(j)] * Y(i,j) ;

model Complete / EQ_OBJ Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;

X.up(i,j) = min[A(i),B(j)]

solve Complete using MIP minimizing Z1
    
```

```

$title Stochastic fixed-charge transportation problem (SFCTP)

* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems
option OptcR = 0, Decimals = 6

sets
    I          origins          / i1 * i4 /
    J          destinations     / j1 * j3 /
    S          scenarios        / s000 * s099 /

parameters
    A(i)       product offer    / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
    B(j)       product demand   / j1 21, j2 51, j3 31 /
    P(s)       scenario probability
    BS(s, j)   product demand stochastic ;

BS(s,j) = B(j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)] ;
P(s) = 1/card(s) ;

table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
    j1 j2 j3
    i1 1 2 3
    i2 3 2 1
    i3 2 3 4
    i4 4 3 2 ;

table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
    j1 j2 j3
    i1 10 20 30
    i2 20 30 40
    i3 30 40 50
    i4 40 50 60 ;

loop (s, abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, BS(s,j)]) 'Infeasible problem' )

positive variable
    X(s,i,j)    arc flow
binary variable
    Y(i,j)      arc investment decision
variables
    Z1          objective function

equations
    EQ_OBJ      complete problem objective function
    Offer (s,i) offer at origin
    Demand (s, j) demand at destination
    FlowLimit(s,i,j) arc flow limit ;

EQ_OBJ .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(s,i,j), P(s)*C(i,j)*X(s,i,j)] ;
Offer (s,i) .. sum[j, X(s,i,j)] =l= A(i) ;
Demand (s, j) .. sum[i, X(s,i,j)] =g= BS(s,j) ;
FlowLimit(s,i,j) .. X(s,i,j) =l= 100 * Y(i,j) ;

model Complete / EQ_OBJ Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;

X.up(s,i,j) = 100 ;

Complete.OptFile = 1 ;

file COPT / cplex.opt / ;
put COPT putclose 'writelp FCTP_Sto.lp' / ;

solve Complete using MIP minimizing Z1

display Z1.l, Y.l
    
```

# Stochastic FCTP with EMP (Extended Mathematical Programming) ([https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG\\_EMP\\_SP.html](https://www.GAMS.com/latest/docs/UG_EMP_SP.html))

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP\\_EMP.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP_EMP.gms)

```
$title Deterministic fixed-charge transportation problem (FCTP)

* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems
option OptcR = 0, Decimals = 6

sets
    I          origins      / i1 * i4 /
    J          destinations / j1 * j3 / ;

parameters
    A(i)       product offer / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
    B(j)       product demand / j1 21, j2 51, j3 31 / ;

table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
      j1  j2  j3
    i1  1   2   3
    i2  3   2   1
    i3  2   3   4
    i4  4   3   2 ;

table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
      j1  j2  j3
    i1 10  20  30
    i2 20  30  40
    i3 30  40  50
    i4 40  50  60 ;

positive variable
    X(i,j)      arc flow

binary variable
    Y(i,j)      arc investment decision

variables
    Z1          objective function

equations
    EQ_OBJ      complete problem objective function
    Offer (i)   offer at origin
    Demand (j)  demand at destination
    FlowLimit(i,j) arc flow limit ;

EQ_OBJ .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] ;
Offer (i) .. sum[j, X(i,j)] =l= A(i) ;
Demand (j) .. sum[i, X(i,j)] =g= B(j) ;
FlowLimit(i,j) .. X(i,j) =l= 100 * Y(i,j) ;

model Complete / all / ;

X.up(i,j) = 100 ;
```

```
set S scenarios / s000 * s099 /
parameter
    BS(s, j) product demand
    YS(s,i,j) arc investment decision
    XS(s,i,j) arc flow
    P (s) scenario probability ;

BS(s,j) = B(j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)] ;
P (s) = 1/card(s) ;

* EMP annotations
file emp / '%emp.info%' / ; emp.pc=2 ; emp.pw=1020
* define probability and values of the stochastic parameter
put emp '* problem %GAMS.i%' / 'jrandvar '
loop (j,
    put B.tn(j) ' '
)
loop (s,
    put P(s)
    loop (j,
        put BS(s,j) /
    )
)
* define stochastic parameter, variable and constraints of the second stage
putclose emp / 'stage 2 B X Offer Demand FlowLimit'

set dict / s . scenario . ''
      B . randvar . BS
      X . level . XS
      Y . level . YS / ;

loop (s, abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, BS(s,j)]) 'Infeasible problem') ;

file COPT / cplex.opt / ;
put COPT putclose 'writelp FCTP_EMP.lp' / 'names 1' / ;

file DOPT / de.opt / ;
put DOPT putclose 'subsolver CPLEX' / 'subsolveropt 1' / ;

Complete.OptFile = 1 ;

solve Complete minimizing Z1 using emp scenario dict

display Z1.l, YS
```

It seems that the LP file created by the EMP has only 2 decimals

# Stochastic FCTP solved with Benders using EMP

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP\\_StoBd\\_EMP.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP_StoBd_EMP.gms)

```
$Title Fixed-charge transportation problem (FCTP) solved by Benders decomposition
* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems
option OptCR = 0, Decimals = 6

sets
  L      iterations / 1001 * 1200 /
  LL(1)  iterations subset
  I      origins    / i1 * i4 /
  J      destinations / j1 * j3 /
  S      scenarios  / s000 * s099 /

parameters
  A(i)  product offer / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
  B(j)  product demand / j1 21, j2 51, j3 31 /
  P(s)  scenario probability
  YS(s,i,j) arc investment decision
  XS(s,i,j) arc flow
  NS(s, j) demand not served
  PI(s,i,j) dual variables of second stage constraints
  PTY    penalty for demand not served / 1000 /

table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
      j1 j2 j3
i1    1  2  3
i2    3  2  1
i3    2  3  4
i4    4  3  2;

table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
      j1 j2 j3
i1    10 20 30
i2    20 30 40
i3    30 40 50
i4    40 50 60;

parameter
  BS(s, j) product demand;

BS(s,j) = B(j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)];
P(s) = 1/card(s);

abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem'

parameters
  BdTol      relative Benders tolerance / 1e-6 /
  Z_Lower    lower bound / -inf /
  Z_Upper    upper bound / inf /
  Y_L(1, i,j) first stage variables values in iteration 1
  PI_L(1,s,i,j) dual variables of second stage constraints in iteration 1
  Delta(1)  cut type (feasibility 0 optimality 1) in iteration 1
  Z2_L(1)   subproblem objective function value in iteration 1

positive variable
  X(i,j)      arc flow
  N( j)       demand not served

binary variable
  Y(i,j)      arc investment decision

variables
  Z1          first stage objective function
  Z2          second stage objective function
  Theta       recourse function
```

```
equations
  EQ_Z1      first stage objective function
  EQ_Z2      second stage objective function
  EQ_OB3     complete problem objective function
  Offer (i ) offer at origin
  Demand ( j) demand at destination
  FlowLimit(i,j) arc flow limit
  Bd_Cuts (1) Benders cuts;

EQ_Z1 .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + Theta;
EQ_Z2 .. Z2 =e= sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] + sum[j, PTY*N(j)];
EQ_OB3 .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] + sum[j, PTY*N(j)];
Offer (i ) .. sum[j, X(i,j)] =l= A(i);
Demand ( j) .. sum[i, X(i,j)] + N(j) =g= B(j);
FlowLimit(i,j) .. X(i,j) =l= 100 * Y(i,j);
Bd_Cuts(1) .. Delta(1) * Theta =g= Z2_L(1) + sum[(s,i,j), (Y(i,j)-Y_L(1,i,j)) * 100 * PI_L(1,s,i,j)];

model Master_Bd / EQ_Z1 Bd_Cuts /;
model Subproblem_Bd / EQ_Z2 Offer Demand FlowLimit /;
model Complete / EQ_OB3 Offer Demand FlowLimit /;

X.up(i,j) = 100;

* EMP annotations
file emp / '%emp.info%' /; emp.pc=2; emp.pw=1020
* define probability and values of the stochastic parameter
put emp '** problem %GAMS.i%' / 'jrandvar'
loop (j,
  put B.bn(j) ' '
)
loop (s,
  put P(s)
  loop (j,
    put BS(s,j) /
  )
)
* define stochastic parameter, variable and constraints of the second stage
putclose emp / 'stage 2 B X Offer Demand FlowLimit'

set dict / s . scenario . ''
          B . randvar . BS
          X . level . XS
          N . level . NS
          Y . level . YS
          FlowLimit . marginal . PI /;

loop (s, abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, BS(s,j)]) 'Infeasible problem' );

* to allow CPLEX correctly detect rays in an infeasible problem
* only simplex method can be used and no preprocessing neither scaling options
* optimality and feasibility tolerances are very small to avoid primal degeneration

Subproblem_Bd.OptFile = 1;

file COPT / cplex.opt /;
put COPT putclose 'writelp DEP.lp' / 'names 1' /;

file DOPT / de.opt /;
put DOPT putclose 'subsolver CPLEX' / 'subsolveropt 1' /;
```

```
* parameter initialization
LL (1)      = no;
Delta(1)    = 0;
Z2_L (1)    = 0;
PI_L (1,s,i,j) = 0;
Y_L (1, i,j) = 0;

* Benders algorithm iterations
Theta.fx    = 0;
loop (1 $(abs(1-Z_Lower/Z_Upper) > BdTol),

* solving master problem
  solve Master_Bd using MIP minimizing Z1;

* storing the master solution
  Y_L(1,i,j) = Y.L(i,j);

* fixing first-stage variables and solving subproblem
  Y.fx( i,j) = Y.L(i,j);

* solving subproblem

  solve Subproblem_Bd minimizing Z2 using emp scenario dict

* storing parameters to build a new Benders cut
  if (Subproblem_Bd.ModelStat = 4,
    Delta(1) = 0;
    Z2_L (1) = Subproblem_Bd.SumInfes;
  else
    * updating lower and upper bound
    Z_Lower = Z1.1;
    Z_Upper = min(Z_Upper, Z1.1 - Theta.1 + Z2.1);

    Theta.lo = -inf;
    Theta.up = inf;

    Delta(1) = 1;
    Z2_L (1) = Z2.1;
  );

  PI_L(1,s,i,j) = PI(s,i,j);

  Y.lo( i,j) = 0;
  Y.up( i,j) = 1;

* increase the set of Benders cuts
  LL(1) = yes;

display Z_Lower, Z_Upper, Y.L
```

# Stochastic FCTP solved with Benders using Guss

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP\\_StoBd\\_Guss.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP_StoBd_Guss.gms)

\$Title Fixed-charge transportation problem (FCTP) solved by Benders decomposition

\* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems  
option OptcR = 0, Decimals = 6

sets  
L iterations / 1001 \* 1200 /  
LL(1) iterations subset  
I origins / i1 \* i4 /  
J destinations / j1 \* j3 /  
S scenarios / s000 \* s099 /

parameters  
A(i) product offer / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /  
B(j) product demand / j1 21, j2 51, j3 31 /  
BS(s, j) product demand  
P(s) scenario probability  
YS(s, i, j) arc investment decision  
XS(s, i, j) arc flow  
NS(s, j) demand not served  
PI(s, i, j) dual variables of second stage constraints  
PTY penalty for demand not served / 1000 /

table C(i, j) per unit variable transportation cost

	j1	j2	j3
i1	1	2	3
i2	3	2	1
i3	2	3	4
i4	4	3	2

table F(i, j) fixed transportation cost

	j1	j2	j3
i1	10	20	30
i2	20	30	40
i3	30	40	50
i4	40	50	60

BS(s, j) = B(j) \* [1+uniform(-0.05, 0.05)] ;  
P(s) = 1/card(s) ;

abort \$(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem'

parameters  
BdTo1 relative Benders tolerance / 1e-6 /  
Z\_Lower lower bound / -inf /  
Z\_Upper upper bound / inf /  
Y\_L(1, i, j) first stage variables values in iteration 1  
PI\_L(1, s, i, j) dual variables of second stage constraints in iteration 1  
Delta(1) cut type (feasibility 0 optimality 1) in iteration 1  
Z2\_L(1, s) subproblem objective function value in iteration 1  
Z2S(s) subproblem objective function value in iteration 1

positive variable  
X(i, j) arc flow  
N(j) demand not served

binary variable  
Y(i, j) arc investment decision

variables  
Z1 first stage objective function  
Z2 second stage objective function  
Theta recourse function

equations

EQ\_Z1 first stage objective function  
EQ\_Z2 second stage objective function  
EQ\_OBJ complete problem objective function  
Offer(i) offer at origin  
Demand(j) demand at destination  
FlowLimit(i, j) arc flow limit  
Bd\_Cuts(1) Benders cuts ;

EQ\_Z1 .. Z1 =e= sum[(i, j), F(i, j)\*Y(i, j)] + Theta ;  
EQ\_Z2 .. Z2 =e= sum[(i, j), C(i, j)\*X(i, j)] + sum[j, PTY\*N(j)] ;  
EQ\_OBJ .. Z1 =e= sum[(i, j), F(i, j)\*Y(i, j)] + sum[(i, j), C(i, j)\*X(i, j)] + sum[j, PTY\*N(j)] ;  
Offer(i) .. sum[j, X(i, j)] =l= A(i) ;  
Demand(j) .. sum[i, X(i, j)] + N(j) =g= B(j) ;  
FlowLimit(i, j) .. X(i, j) =l= 100 \* Y(i, j) ;  
Bd\_Cuts(1) .. Delta(1) \* Theta =g= sum[s, P(s) \* (Z2\_L(1, s) + sum[(i, j), (Y(i, j)-Y\_L(1, i, j)) \* 100 \* PI\_L(1, s, i, j)])] ;

model Master\_Bd / EQ\_Z1 Bd\_Cuts / ;  
model Subproblem\_Bd / EQ\_Z2 Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;  
model Complete / EQ\_OBJ Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;

X.up(i, j) = 100 ;

set  
scen\_dem stochastic demand scenario dictionary /  
s scenario . ' '

\* update the LHS with values of the RHS  
B .. param . BS

\* store in the RHS with values of the LHS  
X .. level . XS  
N .. level . NS  
Y .. level . YS  
Z2 .. level . Z2S  
FlowLimit .. marginal . PI / ;

parameter  
scen\_optn scenario options / OptFile 2, LogOption 1, SkipBaseCase 1,  
UpdateType 1, RestartType 1, NoMatchLimit 999 /

loop (s, abort \$(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem' ) ;

\* to allow CPLEX correctly detect rays in an infeasible problem  
\* only simplex method can be used and no preprocessing neither scaling options  
\* optimality and feasibility tolerances are very small to avoid primal degeneration

file COPT / cplex.opt / ;  
put COPT putclose 'ScaInd -1' / 'LPMethod 1' / 'PreInd 0' / 'EpOpt 1e-9' / 'EpRHS 1e-9' / ;

Subproblem\_Bd.OptFile = 1 ;

\* parameter initialization

LL(1) = no ;  
Delta(1) = 0 ;  
Z2\_L(1, s) = 0 ;  
PI\_L(1, s, i, j) = 0 ;  
Y\_L(1, i, j) = 0 ;

\* Benders algorithm iterations

Theta.fx = 0 ;  
loop (1 \$(abs(1-Z\_Lower/Z\_Upper) > BdTo1),

\* solving master problem  
solve Master\_Bd using MIP minimizing Z1 ;

\* storing the master solution

Y\_L(1, i, j) = Y.1(i, j) ;

\* fixing first-stage variables and solving subproblem  
Y.fx(i, j) = Y.1(i, j) ;

\* initialization of the destination demand

B(j) = BS('s000', j) ;

\* solving subproblem

solve Subproblem\_Bd minimizing Z2 using RMIP scen\_dem ;

\* storing parameters to build a new Benders cut

if (Subproblem\_Bd.ModelStat = 4,  
Delta(1) = 0 ;  
Z2\_L(1, s) = Subproblem\_Bd.SumInfs ;

else  
updating lower and upper bound  
Z\_Lower = Z1.1 ;  
Z\_Upper = min(Z\_Upper, Z1.1 - Theta.1 + sum[s, P(s) \* Z2S(s)] ;  
Theta.lo = -inf ;  
Theta.up = inf ;

Delta(1) = 1 ;  
Z2\_L(1, s) = Z2S(s) ;

PI\_L(1, s, i, j) = PI(s, i, j) ;

Y.lo(i, j) = 0 ;  
Y.up(i, j) = 1 ;

\* increase the set of Benders cuts

LL(1) = yes ;

display Z\_Lower, Z\_Upper, Y.1

# Stochastic FCTP solved with Benders using Guss&Grid

[https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP\\_StoBd\\_GG.gms](https://github.com/IIT-EnergySystemModels/Fixed-Charge-Transportation-Problem-Benders-Decomposition/blob/main/FCTP_StoBd_GG.gms)

\$Title Fixed-charge transportation problem (FCTP) solved by Benders decomposition

\* relative optimality tolerance in solving MIP problems  
option OptcR = 0, Decimals = 6

```
sets
  L          iterations / 1001 * 1200 /
  LL(1)      iterations subset
  I           origins    / i1 * 14 /
  J           destinations / j1 * j3 /
  S           scenarios  / s000 * s099 /
```

```
parameters
  A(i)      product offer / i1 20, i2 30, i3 40, i4 20 /
  B(j)      product demand / j1 21, j2 51, j3 31 /
  BS(s, j) product demand
  P(s)      scenario probability
  YS(s,i,j) arc investment decision
  XS(s,i,j) arc flow
  NS(s, j) demand not served
  PI(s,i,j) dual variables of second stage constraints
  PTY       penalty for demand not served / 1000 /
```

```
table C(i,j) per unit variable transportation cost
  i1 i2 i3
  j1 1 2 3
  j2 3 2 1
  j3 2 3 4
  j4 4 3 2 ;
```

```
table F(i,j) fixed transportation cost
  i1 i2 i3
  j1 10 20 30
  j2 20 30 40
  j3 30 40 50
  j4 40 50 60 ;
```

```
BS(s,j) = B(j) * [1+uniform(-0.05,0.05)] ;
P(s) = 1/card(s) ;
```

```
abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, B(j)]) 'Infeasible problem'
```

```
parameters
  BdTol      relative Benders tolerance / 1e-6 /
  Z_Lower    lower bound / -inf /
  Z_Upper    upper bound / inf /
  Y_L(1, i,j) first stage variables values in iteration 1
  PI_L(1,s,i,j) dual variables of second stage constraints in iteration 1
  Delta(1)   cut type (feasibility 0 optimality 1) in iteration 1
  Z2_L(1,s)  subproblem objective function value in iteration 1
  Z2_S(s)    subproblem objective function value in iteration 1
```

```
positive variable
  X(i,j)      arc flow
  N( j)       demand not served
```

```
binary variable
  Y(i,j)      arc investment decision
```

```
variables
  Z1           first stage objective function
  Z2           second stage objective function
  Theta       recourse function
```

```
equations
  EQ_Z1      first stage objective function
  EQ_Z2      second stage objective function
  EQ_OB1     complete problem objective function
  Offer( i ) offer at origin
  Demand( j ) demand at destination
  FlowLimit(i,j) arc flow limit
  Bd_Cuts(1) Benders cuts ;
```

```
EQ_Z1 .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + Theta ;
EQ_Z2 .. Z2 =e= sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] + sum[j, PTY*N(j)] ;
EQ_OB1 .. Z1 =e= sum[(i,j), F(i,j)*Y(i,j)] + sum[(i,j), C(i,j)*X(i,j)] + sum[j, PTY*N(j)] ;
Offer( i ) .. sum[j, X(i,j)] =l= A(i) ;
Demand( j ) .. sum[i, X(i,j)] + N(j) =g= B(j) ;
FlowLimit(i,j) .. X(i,j) =l= 100 * Y(i,j) ;
Bd_Cuts(1) .. Delta(1) * Theta =g= sum[s, P(s) * (Z2_L(1,s) + sum[(i,j), (Y(i,j)-Y_L(1,i,j)) * 100 * PI_L(1,s,i,j)])] ;
```

```
model Master_Bd / EQ_Z1 Bd_Cuts / ;
model Subproblem_Bd / EQ_Z2 Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;
model Complete / EQ_OB1 Offer Demand FlowLimit / ;
```

```
X.up(i,j) = 100 ;
```

```
set
  gs(s)      scenarios per GUSS run
  sh          solution headers / System.GUSSModelAttributes /
  scen_dem    stochastic demand scenario dictionary /
  s           scenario /
  * scen_optn . opt . st_report_o
```

```
* update the LHS with values of the RHS
  B          . param . BS
```

```
* store in the RHS with values of the LHS
  X          . level . XS
  N          . level . NS
  Y          . level . YS
  Z2         . level . Z2_s
  FlowLimit . marginal . PI /
```

```
sets
  * using four cores and assignment of scenarios to cores
  core       grid jobs to run / core001*core004 /
  coresec(core,s) cores to scenario / core001.(s000*s024) /
  core002.(s025*s049)
  core003.(s050*s074)
  core004.(s075*s099) /
```

```
parameter
  * scen_optn      scenario options / OptFile 2, LogOption 1, SkipBaseCase 1,
  *               UpdateType 1, RestartType 1, NoMatchLimit 999 /
  * st_report_o(s,sh) status report
  pGridHandle(core) grid handles ;
```

```
loop (s, abort $(sum[i, A(i)] < sum[j, BS(s,j)]) 'Infeasible problem' ) ;
```

```
* to allow CPLEX correctly detect rays in an infeasible problem
* only simplex method can be used and no preprocessing neither scaling options
* optimality and feasibility tolerances are very small to avoid primal degeneration
```

```
file COPT / cplex.opt / ;
put COPT putclose 'ScaInd -1' / 'LPMethod 1' / 'PreInd 0' / 'EpoOpt 1e-9' / 'EpRHS 1e-9' / ;
```

```
Subproblem_Bd.OptFile = 1 ;
```

```
* parameter initialization
  LL(1)      = no ;
  Delta(1)   = 0 ;
  Z2_L(1,s)  = 0 ;
  PI_L(1,s,i,j) = 0 ;
  Y_L(1, i,j) = 0 ;
```

```
* Benders algorithm iterations
  Theta.fx   = 0 ;
  loop (1 $(abs(1-Z_Lower/Z_Upper) > BdTol),
```

```
* solving master problem
  solve Master_Bd using MIP minimizing Z1 ;
```

```
* storing the master solution
  Y_L(1,i,j) = Y.L(i,j) ;
```

```
* fixing first-stage variables and solving subproblem
  Y.fx( i,j) = Y.L(i,j) ;
```

```
* initialization of the destination demand
  B(j) = BS('s000',j) ;
```

```
* solving subproblem
```

```
Subproblem_Bd.SolveLink = %SolveLink.AsyncGrid% ;
* Sending Loop
  loop (core,
    gs(s) = coresec(core,s)
    if (sum[gs(s), 1] > 0,
      solve Subproblem_Bd minimizing Z2 using RMIP scenario
    scen_dem ;
    pGridHandle(core) = Subproblem_Bd.Handle ;
  ) ;
* Recovering Loop
  repeat
    loop (core $HandleCollect(pGridHandle(core))),
      display $HandleDelete (pGridHandle(core)) 'Trouble
    deleting handles' ;
    pGridHandle(core) = 0 ;
  ) ;
  until card(pGridHandle) = 0 or TimeElapsed > 1000 ;
  Subproblem_Bd.SolveLink = %SolveLink.LoadLibrary% ;
```

```
* storing parameters to build a new Benders cut
  if (Subproblem_Bd.ModelStat = 4,
    Delta(1) = 0 ;
    Z2_L(1,s) = Subproblem_Bd.SumInfes ;
  else
    * updating Lower and upper bound
    Z_Lower = Z1.1 ;
    Z_Upper = min(Z_Upper, Z1.1 - Theta.1 + sum[s, P(s) *
    Z2_S(s)]) ;
```

```
  Theta.lo = -inf ;
  Theta.up = inf ;
```

```
  Delta(1) = 1 ;
  Z2_L(1,s) = Z2_S(s) ;
) ;
```

```
PI_L(1,s,i,j) = PI(s,i,j) ;
```

```
Y.Lo( i,j) = 0 ;
Y.Up( i,j) = 1 ;
```

```
* increase the set of Benders cuts
  LL(1) = yes ;
) ;
```

```
display Z_Lower, Z_Upper, Y.L
```

# Transportation problem solved as MCP (KKT conditions)

```
sets
  I origins      / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /
```

```
parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity
        / VIGO      350
          ALGECIRAS 700 /

  pB(j) destination demand
        / MADRID    400
          BARCELONA 450
          VALENCIA  150 /
```

```
table pC(i,j) per unit transportation cost
          MADRID BARCELONA VALENCIA
VIGO      0.06   0.12   0.09
ALGECIRAS 0.05   0.15   0.11
```

```
variables
  vX(i,j) units transported
  vCost   transportation cost
```

positive variable vX

```
equations
  eCost      transportation cost
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin
  eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;
```

```
eCost      .. sum[(i,j), pC(i,j) * vX(i,j)] =e= vCost ;
eCapacity(i) .. sum[ j , vX(i,j)] =l= pA(i) ;
eDemand (j) .. sum[ i , vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;
```

```
model mTransport / all /
solve mTransport using LP minimizing vCost
```

$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{ij} c_{ij} x_{ij} \\ \sum_j x_{ij} &\leq a_i \quad \forall i \\ \sum_i x_{ij} &\geq b_j \quad \forall j \\ x_{ij} &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{ij} c_{ij} x_{ij} + \alpha_i \left( \sum_j x_{ij} - a_i \right) + \beta_j \left( b_j - \sum_i x_{ij} \right)$$

$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x_{ij}} \rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} c_{ij} + \alpha_i &\geq \beta_j & : x_{ij} &\forall ij \\ -\sum_j x_{ij} &\geq -a_i & : \alpha_i &\forall i \\ \sum_i x_{ij} &\geq b_j & : \beta_j &\forall j \\ x_{ij}, \alpha_i, \beta_j &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

```
sets
  I origins      / VIGO, ALGECIRAS /
  J destinations / MADRID, BARCELONA, VALENCIA /
```

```
parameters
  pA(i) origin capacity
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```

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```

```
variables
  vX(i,j) units transported
  vA(i)   Lagrange multiplier of capacity constraint
  vB(j)   Lagrange multiplier of demand constraint
```

positive variables vX, vA, vB

```
equations
  eProfit(i,j) marginal cost >= marginal profit
  eCapacity(i) maximum capacity of each origin
  eDemand (j) demand supply at destination ;
```

```
eProfit(i,j) .. vA(i) + pC(i,j) =g= vB(j) ;
eCapacity(i) .. -sum[j, vX(i,j)] =g= -pA(i) ;
eDemand (j) .. sum[i, vX(i,j)] =g= pB(j) ;
```

```
model mTransport / eProfit.vX eCapacity.vA eDemand.vB /
solve mTransport using MCP
```



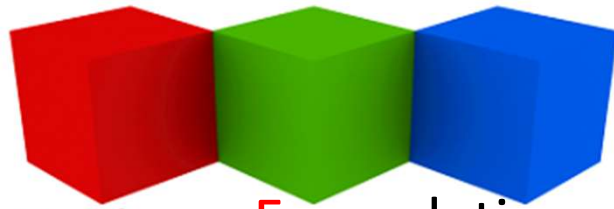
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“Todo pasa y todo queda,  
pero lo nuestro es pasar,  
pasar haciendo caminos,  
caminos sobre el mar.”



“Everything passes and everything stays,  
but our fate is to pass, to pass making paths,  
paths on the sea.”

“All things pass and stay forever, yet we  
pass eternally, drawing footpaths in our  
passing, footpaths on the restless sea.”



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