

Generating multiple system configurations

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EPFL Energy system configuration

- A system configuration is defined by:
 - **Equipments**: conversion and storage with a given size S_u and an expected lifetime t_{S_u}
 - Exchange flows between equipments and with the embedding energy system/infrastructure for a collection of sequences of states defined by conditions p
 - $\dot{m}_{r,p}^+, \dot{E}_p^+, \dot{E}_p^-$ [kg/s, kW] : flows calculated in the system configuration during operating conditions p
 - $\, \blacksquare \, d_p$ [s/lifetime] : probability of appearance of operating conditions p during the life time of the system



EPFL KPI: Key Performance Indicators of a system design

$$KPI^{k} = \sum_{p=1}^{n_{p}} \left(\sum_{r=1}^{n_{r}} \dot{m}_{r,p}^{+} v_{r,p}^{+,k} + \dot{E}_{p}^{+} v_{e,p}^{+,k} - \dot{E}_{p}^{-} v_{e,p}^{-,k} + \sum_{u=1}^{n_{u}} f_{u,p} v_{m,u}^{k} \right) d_{p} + \sum_{u=1}^{n_{u}} v_{u}^{k} (I_{u}(S_{u})) \qquad \forall k \in \{KPI\}$$

 $\dot{m}_{r,p}^+, \dot{E}_p^+, \dot{E}_p^-$ [kg/s, kW] : flows calculated in the system configuration during conditions p d_p [s/lifetime] : probability of appearance of conditions p during the life time of the system $I_u(S_u)$ [\$ invested for the Size of u] : investment in the equipment of the system

For the same system configuration:

the values given to flows depends on the selected key performance indicator KPI^k

 $v_{r,p}^{+,k}$ [KPI/kg]: value given to flows or investment to characterize the system configuration during conditions p $v_{e,p}^{+,k}$ [KPI/kJ]: value given to Electricity to characterize the system configuration during conditions p $v_{m,u}^{k}$ [KPI/use of u]: value of the maintenance cost of unit during the conditions p

 v_u^k [KPI/\$ invested]: value given to the investment of unit u over its lifetime (typically in $\frac{\$^{2020}}{year} \frac{1}{\$_{invested}}$)



EPFL Generating multiple configurations

- KPI can represent different performances
 - Cost under given economic conditions
 - expected energy prices for the next years of the life time of the investment
 - Environmental impact with different indicators
 - climate change, biodiversity, human health
 - Social: Job created, Risk, cost to the future generations,...
- Sustainability KPI should include the 3 pillars:
 - Economic, environmental and social
 - Include a long term perspective
 - as there are more then 1 KPI, it is useful to generate more than 1 configuration
 - KPI can be used as indicators or as contraints (e.g. planetary boundaries, Net-zero)





- Integer cut constraint on the equipment set $\{y_u\}$
 - assuming that we know already the configuration k
 - The problem k + 1 is defined by adding to the previous MILP problem the integer cut constraint

 $Problem^{k+1}:$

 $Problem^k$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n_y} (2y_i^k - 1) * y_i \le \sum_{i=1}^{n_y} y_i^k$$

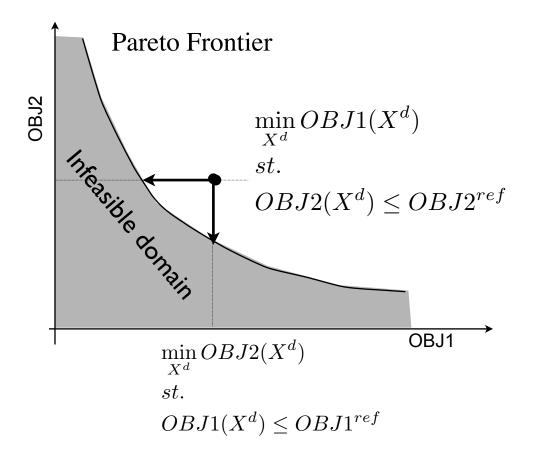
where y_i^k value of y_i in solution of problem k

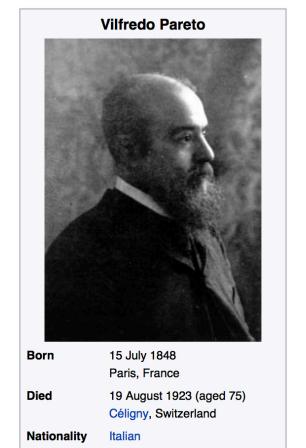


EPFL Pareto Principle for conflicting goals

The cheapest for a given level of environmental impact or

The lowest environmental impact for a given cost





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Muti-objective optimisation EPFL

- Single objective parametric optimisation
 - Weighting conflicting objectives

$$X_d(w) : min_{X_d}(1 - w) \cdot OBJ_1(X_d) + w \cdot OBJ_2(X_d)$$
$$\forall w \in [0, 1]$$

• Vary parametrically the weight
$$w$$
 from 0 to 1 by n steps:
$$w^{k+1}=w^k+\delta_w \qquad \delta_w=\frac{1}{n}, k\in 1..n$$

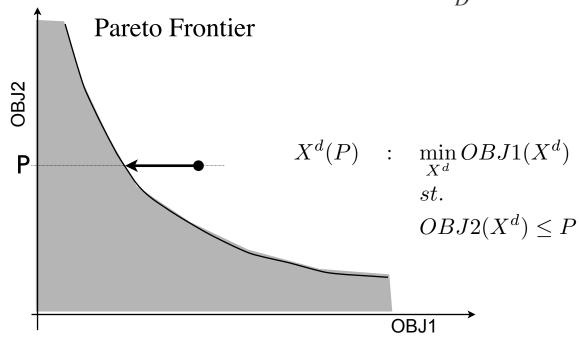
- Does not capture the position of the jumps (integer variables) in the MILP formulation
- Note: if OBJ1 is a cost function

$$\frac{w}{1-w}$$
 is a tax on $OBJ_2(X_d)$



EPFL Parametric programming

- Choose one of the conflicting KPI as the objective function (OBJ_1)
- The other (OBJ_2) is to be lower than a parameter P
- Vary P by n steps between $OBJ_2(x_D \mid \min_{x_D} OBJ_1) \dots OBJ_2(x_D \mid \min_{x_D} OBJ_2)$





Note: the Lagrange multiplier of inequality gives the slope of the Pareto curve

EPFL Multi-parametric optimisation

Systematically vary multiple parameters by sampling

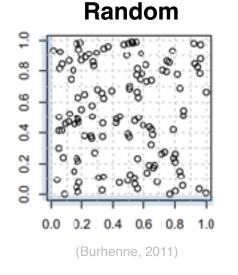
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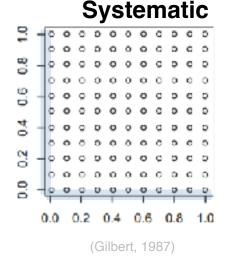
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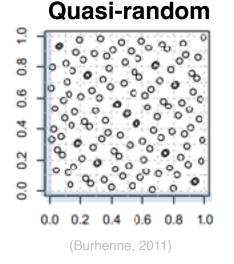
KPI 2

KPI 3

with $\epsilon_{en,FAR}, \epsilon_{en,RES}$ selected by a random sampling method







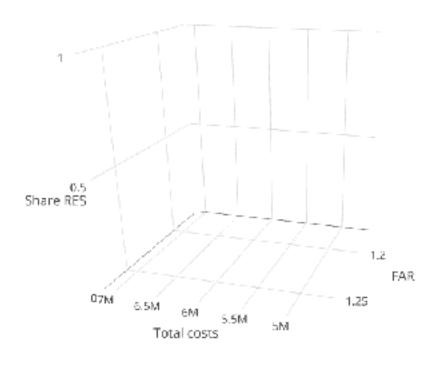
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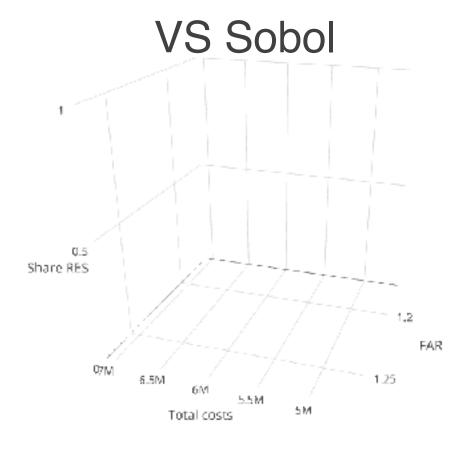
Sobol



EPFL Sobol sampling

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Sobol sampling equations

$$\min_{x} \quad f_l(x, \theta)$$
 subject to $f_j(x, \theta) \leq \varepsilon_{n,j}, \qquad j = 1, ..., k, \quad j \neq l,$ $\theta_t = \varepsilon_{n,t}, \qquad t = 1, ..., u, \quad u \leq m,$ $g(x, \theta) \leq 0,$ $h(x, \theta) = 0,$ With the Cabal counting apper

With the Sobol sampling approach, the user specifies a number of solutions N, and the corresponding parameters in E are computed as:

$$\mathcal{E}_{N\times P} = (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{n,p}) = \begin{pmatrix}
\varepsilon_{1,1} & \varepsilon_{1,2} & \dots & \varepsilon_{1,P} \\
\varepsilon_{2,1} & \varepsilon_{2,2} & \dots & \varepsilon_{2,P} \\
\vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\varepsilon_{N,1} & \varepsilon_{N,2} & \dots & \varepsilon_{N,P}
\end{pmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}^{min} \leq \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{n,p} \leq \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}^{max}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{n,p} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}^{min} + \boldsymbol{s}_{n,p} \cdot (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}^{max} - \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{p}^{min}), \quad n = 1, \dots, N, \quad p = 1, \dots, P,$$

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(3.6)

where $s_{n,p}$ is an element in the matrix $S_{N\times P}$, whose rows contain the Sobol sequence of N coordinates in a P-dimensional unit hypercube. Various computer-based Sobol sequence generators have been

$$E_{5\times3}^{sob} = S_{5\times3} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.75 & 0.25 & 0.75 \\ 0.75 & 0.25 & 0.25 \\ 0.375 & 0.375 & 0.625 \\ 0.875 & 0.875 & 0.125 \end{pmatrix}$$



EPFL Parallel plots to compare configurations



Multiple configurations

(Gardiner et al, 1997)

(Wolf et al, 2009)

(Piemonti et al, 2017)

