

Heuristic MINLP for Solving Optimal Power Flow Problems

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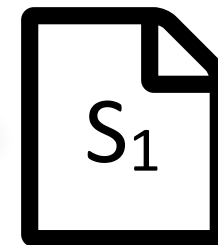
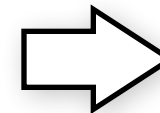
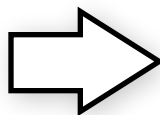
We Love Optimization Solvers

Optimization Solver Idea

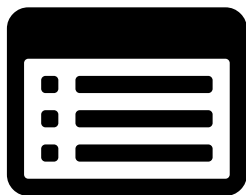
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Solution 1



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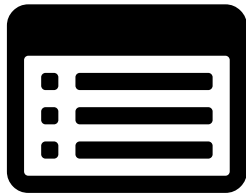


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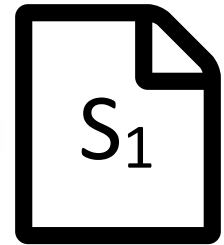
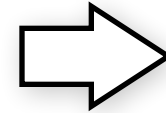
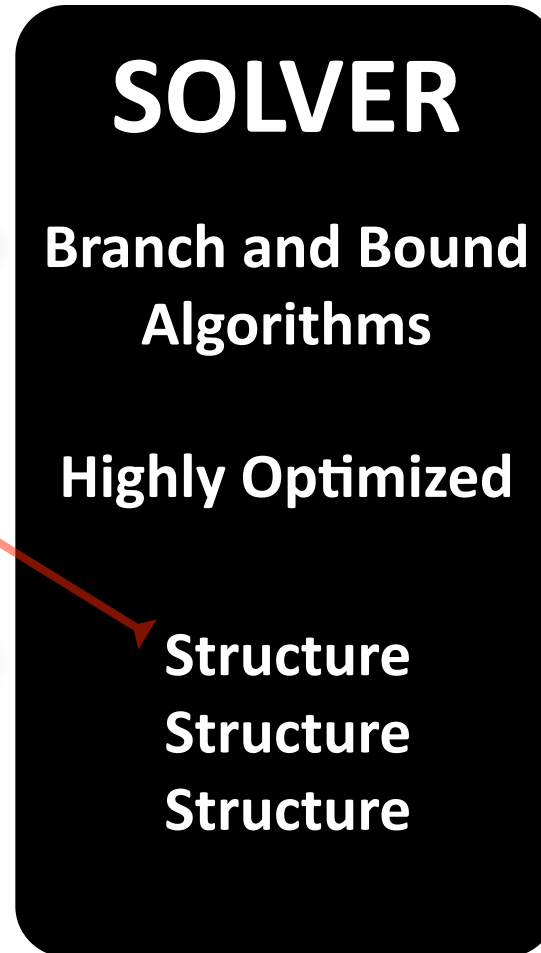
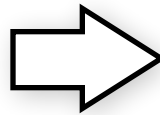
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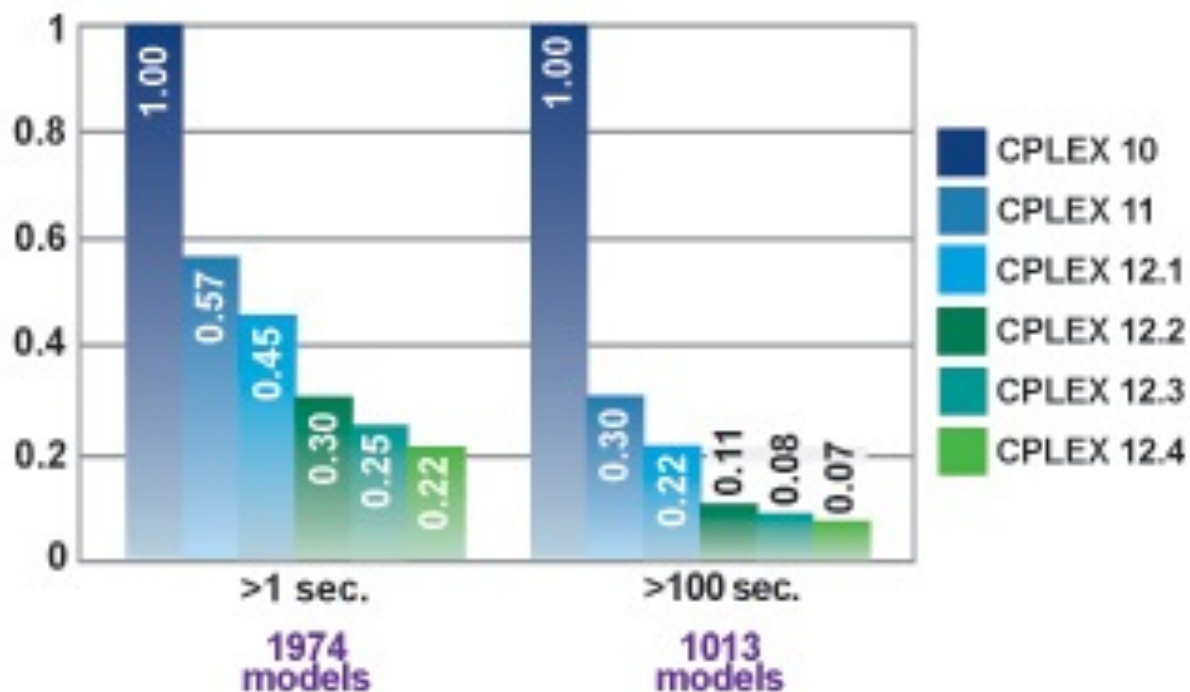
Why Optimization Solvers?

IBM

Solve
Access



MIP Improvements in CPLEX Optimizer from 2006 to 2011



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Call for Competition on “Application of Modern Heuristic Optimization Algorithms for Solving Optimal Power Flow Problems”

**Genetic
Alg**



SOLVER?

Applying Black-Box Solvers to the OPF

- Need to be able to write down the system of **equations** and constraints
 - 3 Problems - ORPD, OARPD, WPP
 - Simulation Based on Matpower
- Still **unclear** if the solver would work well...
 - These problems are on the frontier of solver technology

Modeling the Competition OPF

WARNING!

An Optimization Model

Variables: $\longleftrightarrow$ Choices
Simulation

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$V_i \quad \forall i \in N$$

Minimize: $\longleftrightarrow$ Goal

$$\sum_{i \in N} c_i^2 (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_i^1 \Re(S_i^g)$$

Subject to: $\longleftrightarrow$ Constraints

$$\underline{S}_i^g \leq S_i^g \leq \overline{S}_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$|\underline{V}_i| \leq |V_i| \leq |\overline{V}_i| \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$S_i^d - S_i^g = \sum_{(i,j) \in E \cup E^R} -S_{ij} \quad \forall i \in N$$

Capital Letter - Complex

Script - Variable

Bold Script - Data

Publication OPF

Variables:

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$V_i \quad \forall i \in N$$

Generation

Voltage

Minimize:

$$\sum_{i \in N} c_i^2 (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_i^1 \Re(S_i^g)$$

Cost

Subject to:

$$\underline{S}_i^g \leq S_i^g \leq \overline{S}_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

Generation Bounds

$$|\underline{V}_i| \leq |V_i| \leq |\overline{V}_i| \quad \forall i \in N$$

Voltage Bounds

$$S_i^d - S_i^g = \sum_{(i,j) \in E \cup E^R} -S_{ij} \quad \forall i \in N$$

KCL

$$S_{ij} = \mathbf{Y}_{ij}^* V_i V_i^* - \mathbf{Y}_{ij}^* V_i V_j^* \quad (i,j) \in E$$

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Ohm's Law

$$|S_{ij}| \leq |\overline{S}_{ij}| \quad \forall (i,j) \in E \cup E^R$$

Thermal Limit

Capital Letter - Complex
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Bold Script - Data

Real OPF

Variables:

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$V_i \quad \forall i \in N$$

Minimize:

$$\sum_{i \in N} c_i^2 (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_i^1 \Re(S_i^g)$$

Subject to:

$$\underline{S}_i^g \leq S_i^g \leq \overline{S}_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$|V_i| \leq |V_i| \leq \overline{|V_i|} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$S_i^d + Y_i^s V_i V_i^* - S_i^g = \sum_{(i,j) \in E \cup E^R} -S_{ij} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$S_{ij} = \left(Y_{ij}^* - i \frac{b_{ij}^l}{2} \right) \frac{V_i V_i^*}{T_{ij} T_{ij}^*} - Y_{ij}^* \frac{V_i V_j^*}{T_{ij}^*} \quad (i, j) \in E$$

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$$|S_{ij}| \leq \overline{|S_{ij}|} \quad \forall (i, j) \in E \cup E^R$$

Bus Shunts

Transformers

Line Charging

Competition OPF

Variables:

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$V_i \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$z_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$T_{ij} = \{0.90, 0.91, \dots, 1.09, 1.1\} \quad (i, j) \in E$$

Bus Shunt On/Off

Tap Ratio

Minimize:

$$\sum_{i \in N} c_i^2 (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_i^1 \Re(S_i^g)$$

Bus Shunts

Subject to:

$$\underline{S}_i^g \leq S_i^g \leq \overline{S}_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$\underline{V}_i \leq |V_i| \leq \overline{V}_i \quad \forall i \in N$$

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Transformers

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Competition OPF + N-1

Variables:

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$V_{is} \quad \forall i \in N, \forall s \in S$$

$$z_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$T_{ij} = \{0.90, 0.91, \dots, 1.09, 1.1\} \quad (i, j) \in E$$

Scenario Voltages

Minimize:

$$\sum_{i \in N} c_i^2 (\Re(S_i^g))^2 + c_i^1 \Re(S_i^g)$$

Subject to:

$$\underline{S}_i^g \leq S_i^g \leq \overline{S}_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$|V_{is}| = |V_{it}| \quad \forall i \in G, \forall s \in S, \forall t \in S$$

$$\forall s \in S$$

$$|\underline{V}_i| \leq |V_{is}| \leq |\overline{V}_i| \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$S_i^d + z_i (Y_i^s V_{is} V_{is}^*) - S_i^g = \sum_{(i,j) \in E_s \cup E_s^R} -S_{ijs} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$S_{ijs} = \left(Y_{ij}^* - i \frac{b_{ij}^l}{2} \right) \frac{V_{is} V_{is}^*}{T_{ij}^2} - Y_{ij}^* \frac{V_{is} V_{js}^*}{T_{ij}} \quad (i, j) \in E_s$$

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$$|S_{ijs}| \leq |\overline{S}_{ijs}| \quad \forall (i, j) \in E \cup E^R$$

Generator Voltages

Scenario
Replicates

Solving the Competition OPF

Variables:

$$S_i^g \quad \forall i \in N$$

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$$z_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in N$$

$$T_{ij} = \{0.90, 0.91, \dots, 1.09, 1.1\} \quad (i, j) \in E$$

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Subject to:

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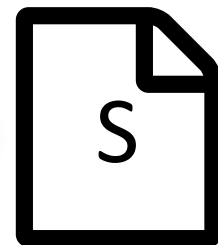
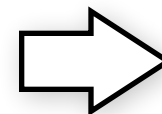
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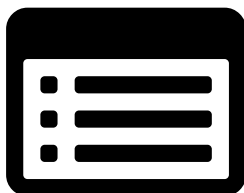
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**Bonmin
(IPOPT)**



Solution



Input Matpower



Global Optimality?

NO!

Why?

Continuous non-linear relaxation (**IPOPT**) is
not a Lower Bound (non-convex)!

Bonmin's Branch and Bound
not guaranteed to find OPT

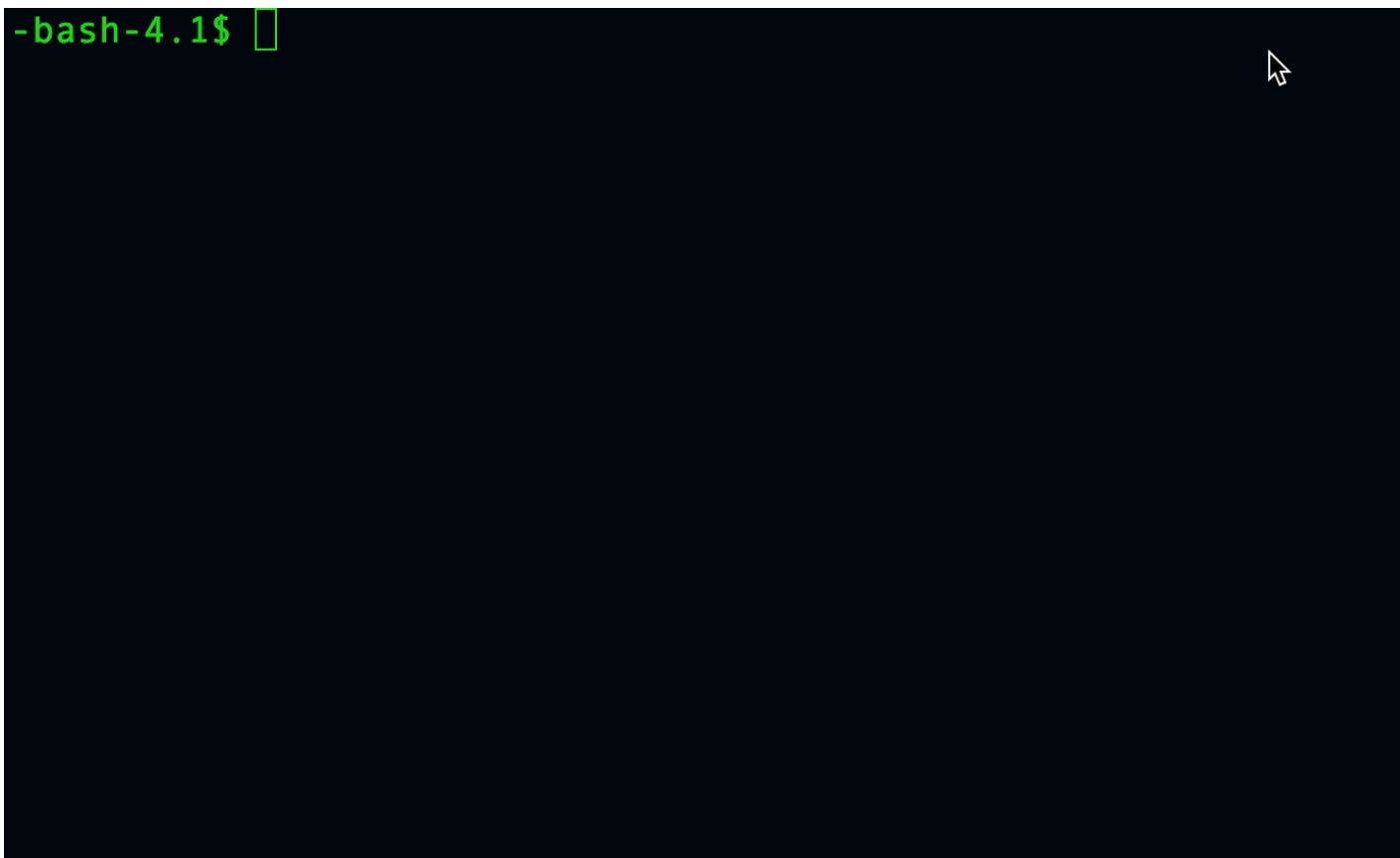
Still a Heuristic,
Heuristic MINLP

Good Enough?

Results

Wind Power Plant Case (96 scenarios)

Obj. - Time - Violations



IEEE 118 - ORPD

Node Obj. Node Iter. - time

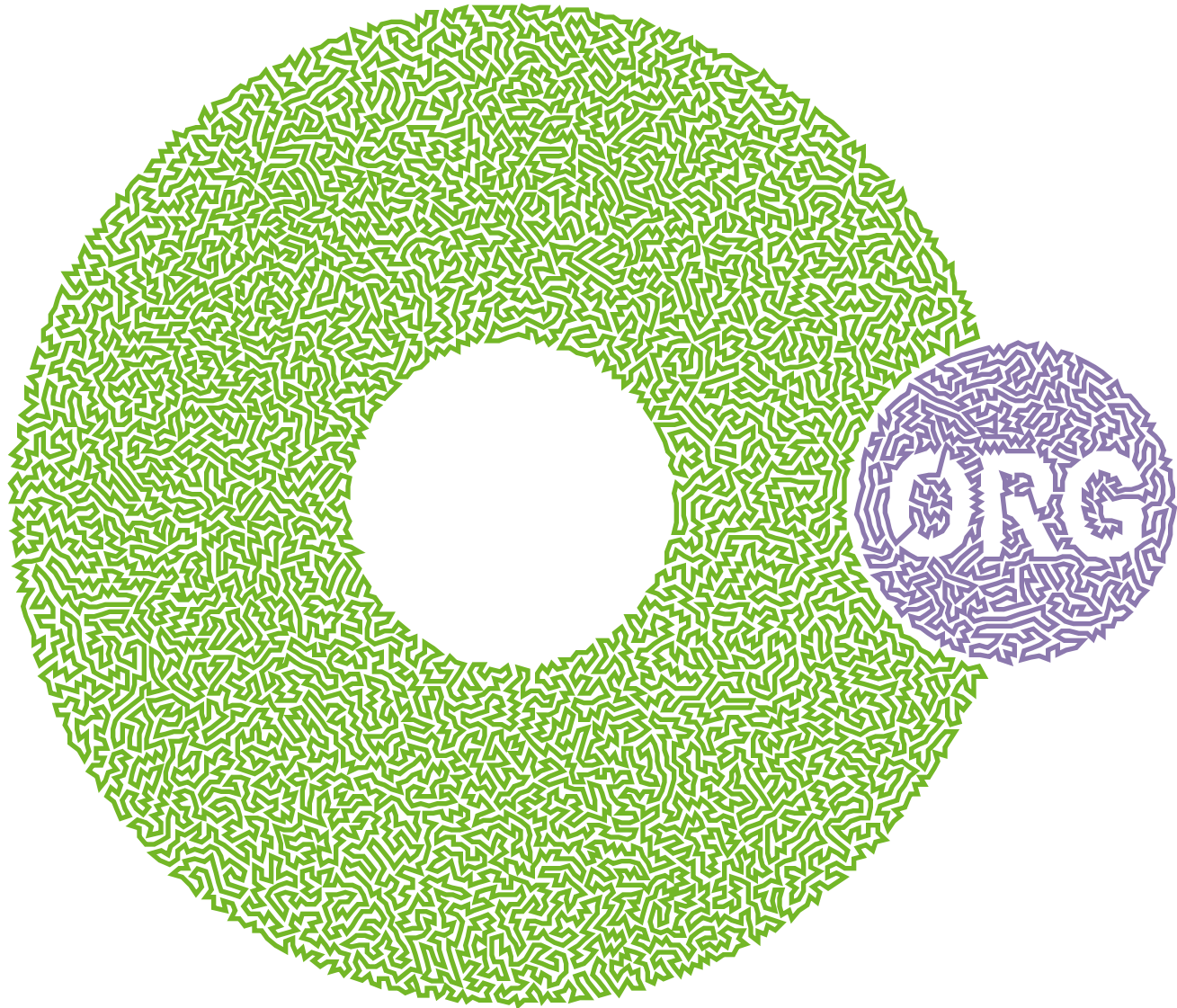
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IEEE 118 Case - ORPD - Comparisons

Model	Cont.	Objective	Time
NLP	Basecase	114.68	0.085s
MINLP	Basecase	114.72	2.4s
NLP	N-1	115.48	0.6s
MINLP	N-1	115.54	15s

Conclusions

- **Shocked** by how effective **Bonmin/IPOPT** are at solving these problems.
- Would love to see **phase shifters** added to the decision variables.
- Great exercise, **BIG** thanks the organizers!
 - (hope this becomes an annual event)



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