

Multistage investment planning for renewable electricity systems

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Need to model **risk**: generation capacity choices are made by risk-averse commercial investors responding to incentives (carbon prices) and/or regulation.

Optimal risk-averse plan matches partial equilibrium when risk measures are **coherent** and **risk-trading** instruments available.²

²Ralph & Smeers, SIOPT, 2015, Ferris & P., Operations Research, 2022

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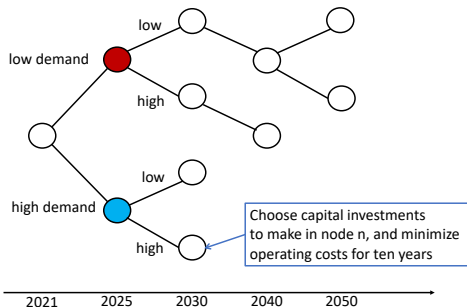
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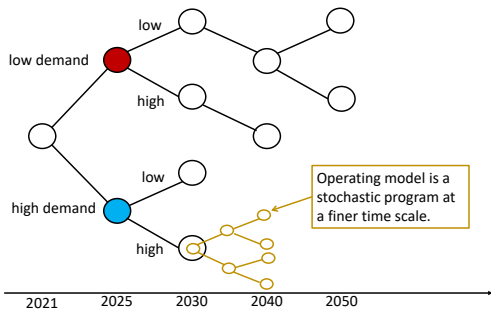
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Multi-horizon planning



Capacity-expansion decisions over longer time scale (5 years or 10 years) result in lower operational costs, or higher revenue in the future.

Multi-horizon scenario trees [Kaut et al, 2014]



Operational decisions with short-term uncertainty optimized by a stochastic program.

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- m is the number of expansion variables;
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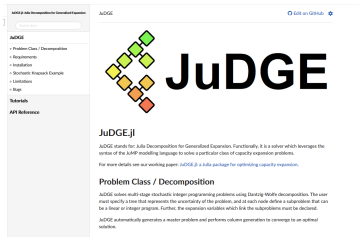
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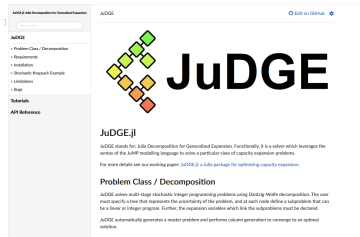
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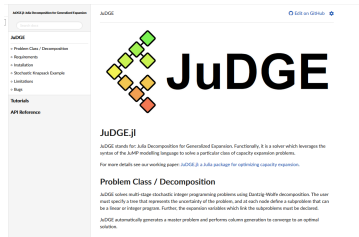
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- expansion (and/or shutdown) decisions and costs;
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EMERALD: New Zealand case study demo

The **EMERALD** model is designed to study effects of carbon-prices and explicit restrictions on non-renewables.

Case study uses...

- Three regions.
- Four seasons with 10 load blocks each.
- 16 load growth scenarios.
- 13 historical years model seasonal hydrological inflows.
- Data based on two-stage model of NZ system.⁴
- Assume risk neutrality for simplicity.

⁴Ferris & Philpott, 100% renewable electricity with storage (2019) <http://www.epoc.org.nz>.

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NON-RENEWABLE



FOSSIL FUELS

Includes coal, oil and natural gas. The energy comes from the fossilised remains of plants and animals from millions of years ago.

RENEWABLE



HYDRO ENERGY

Energy created by falling water



WIND ENERGY

Energy from the force of wind



GEOHERMAL ENERGY

Energy from underground steam



SOLAR ENERGY

Energy from the sun



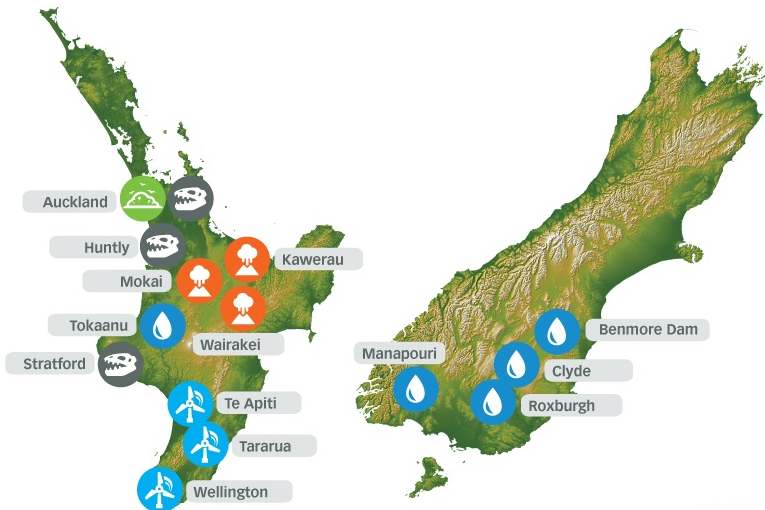
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Fuel/Energy from waste materials



MARINE ENERGY

Energy from tidal movements and waves



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@variable(sp, 0 <= flow[(l, k, j, b, h) in flow_keys]
<= data[n].network[(l, k)])
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