

Workshop on methods and models for the preparation of GHG emissions projections up to 2050

Electrical generation expansion planning tool

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THE PURPOSE AND USE OF MODEL

- The model is used for expansion planning for electrical generating system on mid and long term,
- It is adjusted to be used for small and specific electric generating system like Slovenian system is,
- ELEK started to develop the model in 2005 and it was several times updated
- Model uses Windows platform,
- Written is in Python programming language and
- communicates with I/O data through Excel environment,
- Model communicates (data exchange) with other models created in IJS platform.



WHAT HAS BEEN DONE WITHIN LIFE PROJECT

Through LIFE project, the following upgrades of the model have been realized

- new hourly electric demand curves were applied based on year 2017,
- updating of all data (technical, economic and environmental) concerning existing and new power plants, (hydroelectric, nuclear, thermal and pumped hydro storage) were done,
- Extension of hydrological data with impact of climate change on hydrological conditions was done,
- A new interface into the model for hourly bulky wind and photovoltaic power plants operation was applied,
- A wholesale market electricity price analysis was done and used for price driving unit commitment,
- Etc.
- The model was tested,
- Different scenarios were calculated,





BASIC CHARACTERISTIC OF THE MODEL

- The model is used for expansion planning for Electrical generating system, specially adopted for slovenian EPS,
- Model is based on generating unit scheduling considering the technical, economic and environmental constraints.
- The basic time step of the calculation is one hour, a whole year is based on 864 hours (12 months x 3 days x 24 hours)
- It solves the following problems on mid and long term:
 - Economic dispatch,
 - Unit commitment,
 - Generation expansion planning,
 - Generating system reliability adequacy
- Model is probability based orientated on Monte Carlo simulation,
- It deals with the following generation technologies:
 - Hydro, wind, thermal (coal, gas, biomass,..) storage, nuclear, photovoltaic, CHP, geothermal, etc.



OUTPUT RESULTS

- A detailed electricity generation data of the unit thought the analyzed time horizon based on the probability simulation are given as the main result.
- General output of a one year simulation consists of:
 - Name of the scenario,
 - Number of Monte Carlo Simulation,
 - Power balance in MW:
 - Electric system peak demand,
 - Installed power of a defined technological generation group (hydro, wind,..)
 - Reliability indexes: LOLE in hours and ENS in MWh
 - Energy balance in GWh:
 - Electricity demand,
 - Electricity generation by each defined unit
 - Electricity from IMPORT,
 - Electricity for EXPORT,
 - Heat balance for system CHP units,
 - Use of primary fuels by particular generation unit,
 - Environmental emissions of CO₂, PM, NOx and SOx.
- All output data are excel based and ready for exchange with other models