Intraday

Automated SHOP towards algorithmic intraday trading







Skagerak Kraft

- Average annual production: 5 732 GWh
- 49 fully and partly owned hydro powerstations







Motivation for automation

- Fear of missing out:
 - Increased complexity in the power market
 - Coordinated bidding
 - More sophisticated optimization and forecasting models
 - Different landscape for software (FOSS & proprietery)
- Greed
 - Need to be prepared for increased value of flexibility
- Increased compliance requirements
- Tighter gate closures and increased granularity
- Reduce cognitive load
 - Worst case : 20160 bids/day/optimization (35 Powerplants * 24 h * 4 quarters * 6 intervals)
- Stepping stone for algorithmic Intraday trading



Our approach

- Have a goal
 - Identify key components needed to reach the goal
 - We needed to teach ourselves programming
 - Try to maintain the big picture
 - Pry open proprietary solutions
- Limited resources
 - Keep it as simple as possible
 - Modular development (add as you go)
- Flexible datastructures
- Frequent model runs
- Try to be inclusive
 - Sharing is caring



Long Term Model – Prodrisk

- Has started up at noon every day since 2015
- Tightly connected to SHOP
 - Try to keep the models as similar as possible
- Prodrisk portfolio deviates less than 2% from actual annual production
- All results are immediately available graphically





Short term model - AutoSHOP

- SHOP-API in conjunction with python
 - Runs a script or as a web-service
- Heavy use of dirty tricks
 - Use results from iterations as input for penalties and limits
- Is called as a webservice from an eventlistener
- All results are immediately available graphically





Eventlistener - ListenMate

- Developed in-house
 - Checks for changes in files and databases
 - Calls the webservice for SHOP (AutoSHOP)
 - Alerts if something goes wrong
 - Logs callevent and response
- Currently checks for changes in
 - Results from Prodrisk (files)
 - Price (database)
 - Inflow (database)
- The hardware for the database has stopped us from checking
 - Availability, dispatch, reservoir level, gates







Coordinated bidding - MayBid



- Try to split bidding between day-ahead and intraday using Best Profit curves
- Challenges
 - Lack of intraday price prognosis
 - Lack of stochastic short term price prognosis
 - How to deal with uncertainty
- Exploring uncertainty using all 50 inflow ensembles
 - Will the uncertainty be represented by the Best Profits curves?
 - Use weigthed clusters? Pick one? Use MultiSHARM? Give up and use deterministic results?
- Ongoing project with eSmart



Local increment cost [€MWh] from SHOP





Algorithmic trading - SmartyPlants



- Receive BP-curves and volume to do algorithmic trading
- Try to have a feedbackloop with SHOP
 - Run SHOP if a trade is initiated
 - Update bids if BP-curves has changed
- Method is being tested for algorithmic trading by master students Ane Dideriksen & Susanne Sekkesæter (Finished June 2019)
 - Find a partner to develop if method is valid and useful



Experiences so far...

SHOP-API works really well with the open source ecosystem

- Is an important component if digitization is important
- Easy to make it run
 - Very hard to make it robust
 - Our solutions are often emulations of multiSHARM
- Easy too seek advice and discussion partners for intraday
 - Sintef, NTNU, other power producers
 - Problems are still hard





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