

# Stochastic programming models for optimal bid strategies in the Iberian Electricity Market

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## Optimal Matched Energy

### Lemma

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where  $\rho_{it}^s(x)$  is a known function

(Proof: KKT conditions of problem (OBIFUC))

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$$\text{with } \theta_{it}^s = (\lambda_t^s - c_i^l) / 2c_i^q$$



## Bid function's optimality conditions

### Definition (Bid function's optimality conditions)

Let  $x^{*'} = [p^*, p^{M,*}, q^*, f^*, b^*]'$  be the optimal solution of the (OBIFUC) problem. The bid function  $\lambda_{it}^{b^*}$  of a thermal unit  $i$  committed on period  $t$  is said to be optimal if the value of the matched energy function associated to any scenario's clearing price  $\lambda_t^s$ ,  $p_{it}^M(\lambda_t^s)$ , coincides with the optimal matched energy  $p_{it}^{M,S^*}$ , that is:

$$p_{it}^M(\lambda_t^s) = p_{it}^{M,S^*} = \max\{q_{it}^*, \rho_{it}^s(b_{it}^*)\}$$

## OBIFUC's optimal bid function

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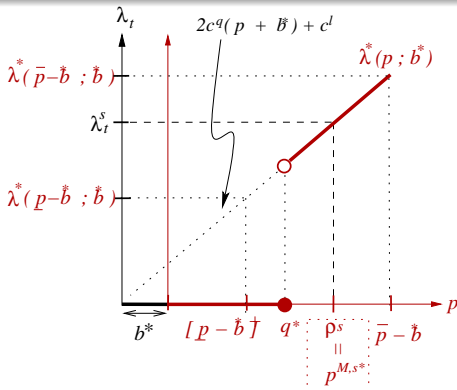
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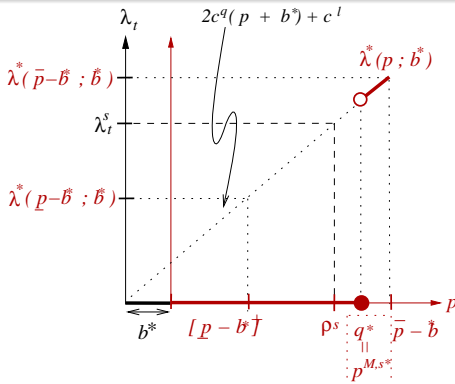


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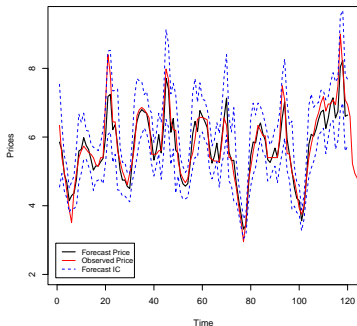
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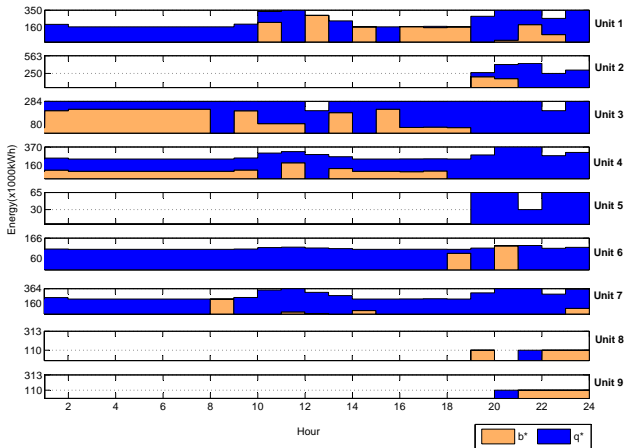
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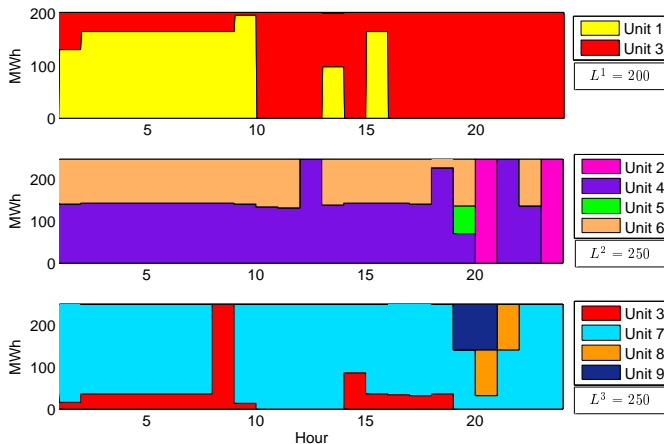
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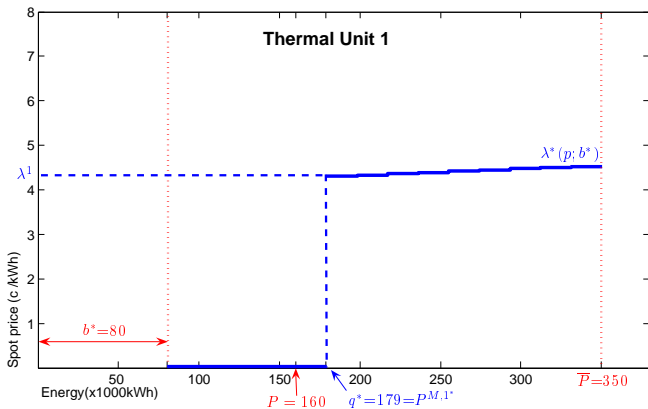
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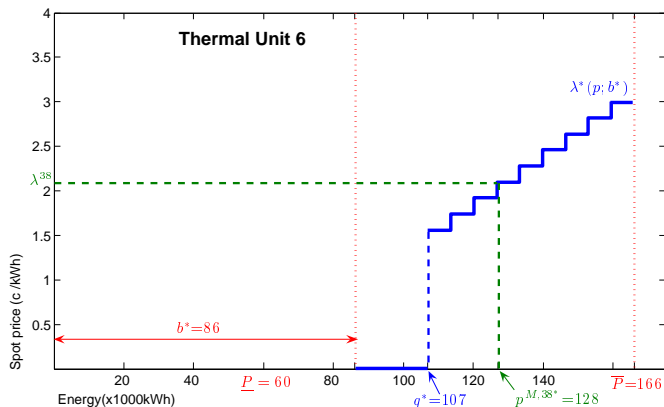
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