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# **Unbalanced OPF Toolkit Documentation**

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The **Unbalanced OPF Toolkit** (UOT) is a general code base to formulate and solve unbalanced optimal power flow (OPF) problems written in *MATLAB*. UOT formulates the optimization problems using **YALMIP** [8] allowing to use a multitude of solvers. UOT supports **GridLAB-D** [9] models of the power distribution network.



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## Citing Unbalanced OPF Toolkit

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If you use Unbalanced OPF Toolkit for a scientific publication, please cite [10].

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**Note:** The documentation is a work in progress. If you would benefit from documentation in a specific set of files please create an issue so that they get higher priority.

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## 1.1 Getting Started

The following sections will help you set up the environment and install UOT.

### 1.1.1 Prerequisites

#### YALMIP

The code relies on [YALMIP](#) to formulate and solve optimization problems. Before running the code make sure that YALMIP works and is able to solve linear (LPs) and semi-definite programs (SDPs) by running:

```
yalmiptest
```

and verifying that the LP and SDP tests pass.

#### Solvers

Small problems can be solved using free solvers like GLPK and SeDuMi. However, large-scale problems benefit from a commercial solver. In our experience, Gurobi offers the best results, followed by MOSEK for LPs. For SDPs, MOSEK is the best choice. Both Gurobi and MOSEK offer free licenses for academia. See [YALMIP's solver page](#) for more information.

At a minimum, you should install [Sedumi](#) which is free and solves LPs and SDPs.

### GridLAB-D

Small networks can be defined directly in code (see `GetLoadCaseIEEE_13_NoRegs_Manual.m`). However, defining large models is time consuming and error prone. Hence, we support GridLAB-D models of power distribution networks.

To enable support of GridLAB-D models, you need to install ASL's [GridLAB-D fork](#). See installation instructions there.

### Environment

You need to create a file `src/main/aaSetEnvironment.m` with environment specific configuration. See `src/main/aaSetEnvironmentTemplate.m` for an example file.

#### 1.1.2 Installation

Clone the `unbalanced-opf-toolkit` repository.

If you want to use UOT from outside the folder where it resides, you need to add this folder to MATLAB's path with the command:

```
addpath('path to unbalanced-opf-toolkit')
```

For example:

```
addpath('~/.Repos/unbalanced-opf-toolkit')
```

## 1.2 Tutorial

This tutorial will show you how to solve power flow and optimal power flow problems. In addition, a more advanced part will show you how to implement a new power flow surrogate from scratch.

### 1.2.1 Solve power flow

#### Preliminaries

First, set MATLAB path to `src/demo`, then run `aaSetupPath.m`.

#### Solve power flow problem

We solve a power flow problem using UOT's solver.

*Generated from `aaUseCase_SolvePF.m`*

```
clear variables
aaSetupPath

% If true, use GridLAB-D to get the power network model
use_gridlab = false;
```



## Initialize network and loads

Create a LoadCase object which includes the network and loads. Also define the voltage at the PCC bus.

```
% Get load case and voltage at PCC
if use_gridlab
    model_importer = GetModelImporterIEEE_13_NoRegs();
    model_importer.Initialize();

    load_case = model_importer.load_case_prerot;

    u_pcc_array = model_importer.u_pcc_array;
    t_pcc_array = model_importer.t_pcc_array;
else
    load_case = GetLoadCaseIEEE_13_NoRegs_Manual();

    u_pcc_array = [1, 1, 1];
    t_pcc_array = deg2rad([0, -120, 120]);
end
```

## Solve power flow

Solve power flow with UOT's solver.

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array] = load_case.SolvePowerFlow(u_pcc_array, t_
↪pcc_array);

U_array
```

```
U_array =

    1.0000    1.0000    1.0000
    0.9227    1.0017    0.8995
    0.9227    1.0017    0.8995
    0.9227    1.0017    0.8995
    0.9155    1.0041    0.8972
    0.9209         NaN    0.8974
         NaN         NaN    0.8953
    0.9557    0.9910    0.9438
         NaN    0.9817    0.9421
         NaN    0.9800    0.9402
    0.9524    0.9891    0.9410
    0.9267    0.9697    0.9206
    0.9157         NaN         NaN
```

## 1.2.2 Solve optimal power flow

### Preliminaries

First, set MATLAB path to `src/demo`, then run `aaSetupPath.m`.

## Solve optimal power flow problem

We solve an optimal power flow problem using UOT.

*Generated from aaUseCase\_SolveOPF.m*

```
clear variables
aaSetupPath

% If true, use GridLAB-D to get the power network model
use_gridlab = false;
```

## Initialize OPF problem

We use the power flow surrogate BFM SDP from Gan2014

```
pf_surrogate_spec = uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Gan2014_SDP();
opf_problem = GetExampleOPFproblem(pf_surrogate_spec,use_gridlab);

% Select solver
opf_problem.sdpsettings = sdpsettings('solver','sedumi');
```

## Solve OPF problem

Solve optimization problem

```
[objective_value,solver_time,diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();

% Estimate voltage from result of optimization problem
[U_array,T_array]= opf_problem.GetVoltageEstimate();
```

```
SeDuMi 1.32 by AdvOL, 2005-2008 and Jos F. Sturm, 1998-2003.
Alg = 2: xz-corrector, theta = 0.250, beta = 0.500
Put 234 free variables in a quadratic cone
eqs m = 340, order n = 207, dim = 1557, blocks = 15
nnz(A) = 3135 + 0, nnz(ADA) = 115600, nnz(L) = 57970
it :      b*y      gap      delta      rate      t/tP*      t/tD*      feas cg cg      prec
0 :              9.44E-01 0.000
1 :    1.18E+01 5.67E-01 0.000 0.6007 0.9000 0.9000    1.68 1 1    6.8E+00
2 :   -1.63E+00 2.65E-01 0.000 0.4675 0.9000 0.9000    2.49 1 1    3.2E+00
3 :    4.61E-01 1.26E-01 0.000 0.4744 0.9000 0.9000    1.32 1 1    1.2E+00
4 :    8.07E-01 4.93E-02 0.000 0.3919 0.9000 0.9000    1.97 1 1    3.1E-01
5 :    9.13E-01 2.17E-02 0.000 0.4404 0.9000 0.9000    1.94 1 1    9.6E-02
6 :    9.86E-01 7.47E-03 0.000 0.3439 0.9000 0.9000    1.42 1 1    2.7E-02
7 :    1.02E+00 2.37E-03 0.000 0.3180 0.9000 0.9000    1.20 1 1    7.9E-03
8 :    1.04E+00 4.71E-04 0.000 0.1985 0.9000 0.9000    1.07 1 1    1.5E-03
9 :    1.04E+00 9.96E-05 0.000 0.2112 0.9000 0.9000    1.02 1 1    3.2E-04
10 :   1.04E+00 2.18E-05 0.000 0.2191 0.9000 0.9000    1.01 1 1    6.9E-05
11 :   1.04E+00 4.69E-06 0.000 0.2149 0.9000 0.9000    1.02 1 1    1.5E-05
12 :   1.04E+00 9.78E-07 0.000 0.2086 0.9000 0.9000    1.02 1 1    3.0E-06
13 :   1.04E+00 1.98E-07 0.000 0.2028 0.9000 0.9000    1.01 1 1    6.1E-07
14 :   1.04E+00 3.93E-08 0.000 0.1984 0.9000 0.9000    1.00 2 2    1.2E-07
15 :   1.04E+00 7.64E-09 0.000 0.1943 0.9000 0.9000    1.00 2 2    2.3E-08
16 :   1.04E+00 1.49E-09 0.000 0.1949 0.9000 0.9000    1.00 2 2    4.6E-09
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```

17 :    1.04E+00 3.12E-10 0.000 0.2096 0.9000 0.9000    1.00  2  2  9.6E-10

iter seconds digits      c*x          b*y
17      0.6    8.8  1.0417424945e+00  1.0417424930e+00
|Ax-b| =    1.9e-09, [Ay-c]_+ =    3.0E-10, |x|=  1.1e+01, |y|=  1.3e+01

Detailed timing (sec)
      Pre      IPM      Post
8.772E-02    5.089E-01    2.397E-02
Max-norms: ||b||=1, ||c|| = 5,
Cholesky |add|=0, |skip| = 0, ||L.L|| = 41661.5.

```

### Verify if the solution is exact

Compare the indirect variables (voltages at non-PCC buses and power injection at PCC) from the optimization problem and the power flow solution. If they match, then the solution is exact.

```

% Solve power flow using the controllable loads computed in the optimization
[U_array_ref,T_array_ref,p_pcc_array_ref,q_pcc_array_ref] = opf_problem.
↳SolvePFwithControllableLoadValues();

% Convert polar representation to complex
V_array = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array,T_array);
V_array_ref = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array_ref,T_array_ref);

% Compare voltages at non-PCC buses
V_array_error = abs(V_array - V_array_ref);
V_array_error_max = max(V_array_error(:))

% Compare power injection at PCC
[p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = opf_problem.EvaluatePowerInjectionFromPCCload();
s_pcc_array = p_pcc_array + 1i*q_pcc_array;
s_pcc_array_ref = p_pcc_array_ref + 1i*q_pcc_array_ref;

s_pcc_array_ref_error = abs(s_pcc_array - s_pcc_array_ref);
s_pcc_array_ref_error_max = max(s_pcc_array_ref_error(:))

```

```

V_array_error_max =

    6.1412e-10

s_pcc_array_ref_error_max =

    1.9129e-09

```

## 1.2.3 Implement a new power flow surrogate

This tutorial shows how to implement a new power flow surrogate based on [4].

The purpose of a power flow surrogate is to relate direct variables (voltage at PCC and power injections at PQ buses) to indirect variables (power injection at PCC and voltage at PQ buses). Concretely, the power flow surrogate needs to implement the following constraints:

- Voltage magnitude limits
- Power injection at PCC

In addition, the surrogate needs to specify the voltage at PCC. At first, this might seem surprising since the voltage at PCC is a direct variable. However, recall that different surrogates represent voltage in different ways. For example:

- `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Gan2014_SDP` uses one hermitian matrix per bus
- `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP` uses one real vector for voltage magnitude and another for voltage phase

This means, the implementation of the voltage at PCC constraint is different in each case. Consequently, UOT leaves the implementation of the constraint to each surrogate.

The opposite happens for the power injection at the PCC: it is an indirect variable but the constraints on it are implemented by `uot.ControllableLoad` and not by the surrogate. The reason is that the PCC load is always represented in the same way: one real vector for active power injection and another for reactive power injection. Since the constraints always take the same form, it makes sense to implement them only once.

One important remark is in order: the PCC load is implemented in `uot.OPFproblem` but the power flow surrogate *must* couple it to the rest of the problem through a constraint. This is typically done through:

```
[P_inj_array,Q_inj_array] = obj.opf_problem.ComputeNodalPowerInjection();
```

For an example, see `uot.PowerflowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.GetConstraintArray`.

## Power flow surrogate specification

The first step is creating `PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1` which is a derived class of `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`. A good starting point is making a copy of `uot.SpecTemplate` and changing the parent class to `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`. By convention, we put the class in a directory named `@PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1`. This is not strictly necessary but makes it easier to see if a file is a class, function or script. For now, we can leave the sample documentation as it is.

Looking at `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`, we learn that the purpose of `PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1` is simply telling `uot.OPFproblem` how to instantiate the power flow surrogate. For this purpose, we need to create a concrete implementation of `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec.Create`. For inspiration, we can look how this is done in `uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP`.

At the end, we have:

```
1 classdef PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1 < uot.
  ↳ AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec
2     % Class to specify xx
3     %
4     % Synopsis::
5     %
6     %   obj = uot.SpecTemplate(bus,varargin)
7     %
8     % Description:
9     %   This class is intended as a starting point to develop classes that
10    %   derive from ``uot.Spec``.
11    %
12    %
13    %   We can also itemize
14    %
15    %       - item 1
```

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16      %      - item 2
17      %
18      %
19      % Arguments:
20      %   bus (char): Bus name
21      %
22      % Keyword Arguments:
23      %   'param1': Something.
24      %
25      % Returns:
26      %   obj: Instance of `uot.SpecTemplate`.
27      %
28      % Note:
29      %   Possibly add a note here
30      %
31      % Example::
32      %
33      %   object = uot.ObjectTemplate(uot.SpecTemplate())
34      %
35      % See Also:
36      %   `uot.ObjectTemplate`
37      %
38      % Todo:
39      %
40      %   - Write documentation
41      %
42      % .. Line with 80 characters for reference #####
43
44      methods
45          function obj = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1()
46              end
47          end
48
49      % Implemented abstract methods from uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec
50      methods
51          function pf_surrogate = Create(obj,varargin)
52              pf_surrogate = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_1(obj,varargin{:});
53          end
54      end
55  end

```

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**Note:** We add the suffix `_1` to distinguish this first implementation from more evolved ones we will develop in the course of the tutorial.

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**Note:** The classes created in this tutorial are not prefixed by `uot`, since they are not in the `+uot` directory which builds the module. The production implementation (which is preceded by `uot`) are optimized for performance and include further functionality which is outside the scope of this tutorial

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## Barebones power flow surrogate

The next step is creating a barebones power flow surrogate class which is derived of `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`.

Looking at `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`, we see that we need to implement some abstract methods:

- `AssignBaseCaseSolution()`
- `ComputeVoltageEstimate()`
- `GetConstraintArray()`
- `SolveApproxPowerFlow()` (static)

We now create the class `PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1` with these methods as stubs. A good starting point is making a copy of `uot.ObjectTemplate` and changing the parent class to `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`. For now, we can leave the sample documentation as it is.

We implement the constructor following the example of `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP`. At the end, we have the barebones implementation:

```
1 classdef PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_1 < uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate
2     % Template class for uot.Object.
3     %
4     % Synopsis::
5     %
6     %     obj = uot.ObjectTemplate(spec,'param1',val1)
7     %
8     % Description:
9     %     This class is intended as a starting point to develop classes that
10    %     derive from ``uot.Object``.
11    %
12    %
13    %     We can also itemize
14    %
15    %         - item 1
16    %         - item 2
17    %
18    % Arguments:
19    %     spec (|uot.SpecTemplate|): Object specification
20    %
21    % Keyword Arguments:
22    %     'param1' (:class:`uot.PCCloadSpec`+uot.@PCCloadSpec.PCCloadSpec`): Parameter
23    %
24    %
25    % Note:
26    %     Possibly add a note here
27    %
28    % Example::
29    %
30    %     object = uot.ObjectTemplate(uot.SpecTemplate())
31    %
32    % See Also:
33    %     |uot.SpecTemplate|
34    %
35    % Todo:
36    %
37    %     - Write documentation
38    %
39
40    % .. Line with 80 characters for reference #####
41
42    methods
43        function obj = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_1(spec,opf_problem)
```

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44         validateattributes(spec,{'PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1'},{
↪ 'scalar'},mfilename,'spec',1);
45
46         decision_variables = [];
47         obj=@uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate(spec,opf_problem,decision_variables)
48     end
49
50     constraint_array = GetConstraintArray(obj) % Abstract method from uot.
↪ AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate
51 end
52
53     methods (Static)
54         [U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array,opf_problem] =_
↪ SolveApproxPowerFlow(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array) % Abstract method from uot.
↪ AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate class
55     end
56
57     methods (Access = {?uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate,?uot.OPFproblem})
58         [U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = AssignBaseCaseSolution(obj) %_
↪ Abstract method from uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate
59         [U_array,T_array] = ComputeVoltageEstimate(obj) % Abstract method from uot.
↪ AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate
60     end
61 end

```

### Initialize OPF problem with PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_1

Here, we instantiate OPF problem with PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_1 to verify that out barebones implementation is working as expected.

*Generated from aaInstantiateBarebones.m*

```

clear variables

aaSetupPath

[opf_spec, load_case] = CreateSampleOPFspec();

% Replace pf_surrogate_spec with PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1
opf_spec.pf_surrogate_spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_1();

opf_problem = uot.OPFproblem(opf_spec,load_case);

```

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**Note:** By convention, we use the prefix *aa* in scripts to distinguish them from functions

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### Solving approximate power flow

Implementing power flow surrogates is tricky and error-prone. Hence, testing is an integral part of the process. One sensible way of doing this is trying to replicate the results in the paper.

The paper presents a *continuation analysis* where they approximately solve power flow for a series of scaled loads using the proposed linear formulation. Then, they compare the results with the actual power flow solution and compute the error.

We will try to replicate the results in Figures 3 and 5 of the paper. Figure 3 shows an error of less than 0.2% in voltage whereas Figure 5 shows an error of less than 1.5% for the power at the PCC.

In order to replicate the paper’s results, we need to solve *power flow* and not *optimal power flow*. It is very common that power flow surrogates offer a way of approximately solving power flow algebraically. In fact, Bernstein’s paper is not about OPF at all. The method `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt` exists precisely for this use case. It can be overridden by a power flow surrogate to offer a way of solving power flow.

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**Note:** The Alt in `SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt` is there because `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlow` also exists. However, `SolveApproxPowerFlow` uses a different method that requires solving an optimization problem. The advantage of the optimization-based method is that it works even for surrogates where power flow cannot be solved in an algebraic fashion (e.g., `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Gan2014_SDP`)

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For this purpose, we implement `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_2.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt()`:

```

1  function [U_array,T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array,extra_data] =
   ↳SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,varargin)
2  % This function is static
3  % [...] = SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array) linearization at
   ↳the flat voltage solution
4  % [...] = SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,U_ast,T_ast)
   ↳linearization at U_ast,T_ast
5
6  % Check inputs following how it's done in uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.
   ↳SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt
7  validateattributes(load_case',{'uot.LoadCasePy'},{'scalar'},mfilename,'load_case',1);
8
9  network = load_case.network;
10
11  n_time_step = load_case.spec.n_time_step;
12  n_phase = network.n_phase;
13
14  validateattributes(u_pcc_array',{'double'},{'size',[n_time_step,n_phase]},mfilename,'u_
   ↳pcc_array',2);
15  validateattributes(t_pcc_array',{'double'},{'size',[n_time_step,n_phase]},mfilename,'t_
   ↳pcc_array',3);
16
17  n_varargin = numel(varargin);
18
19  switch n_varargin
20      case 0
21          % Linearize at flat voltage
22          linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.FlatVoltage;
23          [U_ast,T_ast] = linearization_point.GetVoltageAtLinearizationPoint(load_case,
   ↳u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
24
25      case 2
26          U_ast = varargin{1};
27          T_ast = varargin{2};
28
29          validate_phase_consistency_h = @(x) uot.AssertPhaseConsistency(x,network.bus_
   ↳has_phase);
30
31          uot.ValidateAttributes(U_ast',{'double'},{'size',[nan,nan,1]},validate_phase_
   ↳consistency_h),mfilename,'U_ast',4);

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32     uot.ValidateAttributes(T_ast,{'double'},{'size',[nan,nan,1],validate_phase_
↪consistency_h},mfilename,'T_ast',5);
33     otherwise
34         error('Invalid number of arguments.')
35 end
36
37 % Compute x_y
38 % Loads are negative power injections
39 S_inj_array = -load_case.S_y;
40 P_inj_array = real(S_inj_array);
41 Q_inj_array = imag(S_inj_array);
42
43 % x_y is the phase-consistent stack (see glossary) excluding the pcc (bus 1)
44 x_y = [uot.StackPhaseConsistent(P_inj_array(2:end,:),:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:),
↪:);uot.StackPhaseConsistent(Q_inj_array(2:end,:),:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:),
↪:)]];
45
46 V_ast = uot.PolarToComplex(U_ast,T_ast);
47
48 % Remove pcc
49 V_ast_nopcc_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(V_ast(2:end,:),:),network.bus_has_
↪phase(2:end,:),:));
50
51 [P_ast,Q_ast] = network.ComputePowerInjectionFromVoltage(U_ast,T_ast);
52 x_y_ast = [uot.StackPhaseConsistent(P_ast(2:end,:),:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:),
↪:);uot.StackPhaseConsistent(Q_ast(2:end,:),:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:),:)]];
53
54 [~,~,w] = network.ComputeNoLoadVoltage(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
55
56 % Compute voltage according to eq. 5a
57 Ybus_NN_inv = inv(network.Ybus_NN);
58 M_y_pre = Ybus_NN_inv*inv(diag(conj(V_ast_nopcc_stack)));
59
60 M_y = [M_y_pre,-1i*M_y_pre];
61
62 a = w;
63
64 V_nopcc_array_stack = M_y*x_y + a;
65
66 % Add pcc voltage
67 v_pcc_array = uot.PolarToComplex(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
68
69 V_array_stack = [v_pcc_array.';V_nopcc_array_stack];
70
71 V_array = uot.UnstackPhaseConsistent(V_array_stack,network.bus_has_phase);
72
73 [U_array,T_array] = uot.ComplexToPolar(V_array);
74
75 % Compute pcc power injection according to eq. 5c and 13
76 s_pcc_array = zeros(n_time_step,network.n_phase);
77
78 for i = 1:n_time_step
79     v_pcc_i = v_pcc_array(i,:).';
80     G_y = diag(v_pcc_i)*conj(network.Ybus_SN)*conj(M_y);
81
82     c = diag(v_pcc_i)*(conj(network.Ybus_SS)*conj(v_pcc_i) + conj(network.Ybus_
↪SN)*conj(a(:,i)));

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83     s_pcc_array(i,:) = G_y*x_y(:,i) + c;
84 end
85
86
87 p_pcc_array = real(s_pcc_array);
88 q_pcc_array = imag(s_pcc_array);
89
90 % In addition to the results from standard power flow, the paper
91 % presents 2 approaches to approximate the magnitude of the voltages in the
92 % PQ nodes: using eq. 9 and eq. 12.
93 % We include them here so that we can test them.
94
95 % Approach from eq. 9
96 V_ast_nopcc_stack_abs = abs(V_ast_nopcc_stack);
97 K_y_eq9 = inv(diag(V_ast_nopcc_stack_abs))*real(diag(conj(V_ast_nopcc_stack))*M_y);
98 b_eq9 = V_ast_nopcc_stack_abs - K_y_eq9*x_y_ast;
99
100 U_array_stack_pre_eq9 = K_y_eq9*x_y + b_eq9;
101
102 U_array_stack_eq9 = [u_pcc_array.';U_array_stack_pre_eq9];
103
104 U_array_eq9 = uot.UnstackPhaseConsistent(U_array_stack_eq9,network.bus_has_phase);
105
106 % Approach from eq. 12
107 U_array_eq12 = zeros(network.n_bus,network.n_phase,n_time_step);
108
109 for i = 1:n_time_step
110     w_i = w(:,i);
111     W = diag(w_i);
112
113     K_y_eq12 = abs(W)*real(inv(W)*M_y);
114
115     b_eq12 = abs(w_i);
116
117     U_stack_pre_eq12 = K_y_eq12*x_y(:,i) + b_eq12;
118
119     U_stack_eq12 = [u_pcc_array(i,:).';U_stack_pre_eq12];
120
121     U_array_eq12(:, :, i) = uot.UnstackPhaseConsistent(U_stack_eq12,network.bus_has_
122     ↪ phase);
123 end
124
125 extra_data.U_array_eq9 = U_array_eq9;
126 extra_data.U_array_eq12 = U_array_eq12;
end

```

## Replicate the paper's results to verify correctness

This file replicates the results in Figures 3 and 5 of [4].

*Generated from aaReplicatePaperResults.m*

```

clear variables
aaSetupPath

```

## Initialize OPF problem with PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP

```
[opf_spec, load_case] = CreateSampleOPFspec();

% Replace pf_surrogate_spec with PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_2
opf_spec.pf_surrogate_spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_2();

opf_problem = uot.OPFproblem(opf_spec, load_case);
```

## Solve approximate power flow to see if everything is working

```
linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.FlatVoltage;

u_pcc_array = opf_problem.u_pcc_array;
t_pcc_array = opf_problem.t_pcc_array;

[U_ast, T_ast] = linearization_point.GetVoltageAtLinearizationPoint(load_case, u_pcc_
↪array, t_pcc_array);
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
↪Bernstein2017_LP_2.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array, U_ast,
↪T_ast);
```

## Set-up for continuation analysis

Now, we will try to replicate the paper's results. In the continuation analysis, the authors used a range of factors kappa in [-1,2]

```
kappa_vec = -1:0.1:2;

% We reorder kappa_vec so that 1 is the first element.
% The reason for this is explained below.
kappa_vec = [kappa_vec(kappa_vec == 1), kappa_vec(kappa_vec ~= 1)];

% Then we use kappa_vec to create a load_case which is scaled
% according to kappa_vec. This works because load_case contains loads for
% a single time-step (as in the IEEE specification).
load_case_continuation = load_case.*kappa_vec;

% The result is a load case with loads for n_time_step
% time steps. Here, they do not represent actual time steps, but rather
% the different loads for our continuation analysis. We take advantage
% of the capability of representing time-varying loads to make the code
% more concise.
n_time_step = load_case_continuation.n_time_step
```

```
n_time_step =
```

```
31
```

## Choose a linearization point

Now we need to choose a linearization point for solving the approximate power flow. One common choice is the power flow solution at the first time of the base case. Here, the base case should be understood in the context of OPF problems: the case in the absence of controllable loads. However, since we are not working with controllable loads yet, this is simply the first time step of the load case. Here, it should become clear why we reordered `kappa_vec` above so that 1 is the first element: so that we use it as our linearization point.

```
linearization_point_continuation = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.  
↳PFbaseCaseFirstTimeStep;
```

## Solve approximate power flow using the linear formulation

Extend `u_pcc_array` and `t_pcc_array` to have one entry per time step

```
u_pcc_array_continuation = repmat(u_pcc_array,n_time_step,1);  
t_pcc_array_continuation = repmat(t_pcc_array,n_time_step,1);  
  
[U_ast_continuation,T_ast_continuation] = linearization_point_continuation.  
↳GetVoltageAtLinearizationPoint(load_case_continuation,u_pcc_array_continuation,t_  
↳pcc_array_continuation);  
[U_array_continuation,T_array_continuation, p_pcc_array_continuation, q_pcc_array_  
↳continuation,extra_data_continuation] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_2.  
↳SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case_continuation,u_pcc_array_continuation,t_pcc_array_  
↳continuation,U_ast_continuation,T_ast_continuation);  
  
V_array_continuation = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array_continuation,T_array_continuation);  
s_pcc_continuation = p_pcc_array_continuation + 1i*q_pcc_array_continuation;
```

## Get reference values from solving exact power flow

```
[U_array_ref,T_array_ref, p_pcc_array_ref, q_pcc_array_ref] = load_case_continuation.  
↳SolvePowerFlow(u_pcc_array_continuation,t_pcc_array_continuation);  
  
V_array_ref = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array_ref,T_array_ref);  
s_pcc_ref = p_pcc_array_ref + 1i*q_pcc_array_ref;
```

## Compute error

```
v_error = zeros(n_time_step,1);  
u_error_eq9 = zeros(n_time_step,1);  
u_error_eq12 = zeros(n_time_step,1);  
s_pcc_error_pre = zeros(n_time_step,1);  
  
network = load_case_continuation.network;  
  
for i = 1:n_time_step  
    % Stack to get a vector without nans  
    V_continuation_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(V_array_continuation(:, :, i),  
↳network.bus_has_phase);  
    V_ref_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(V_array_ref(:, :, i),network.bus_has_phase);
```

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```

    U_continuation_eq9_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(extra_data_continuation.U_
↪array_eq9(:, :, i), network.bus_has_phase);
    U_continuation_eq12_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(extra_data_continuation.U_
↪array_eq12(:, :, i), network.bus_has_phase);

    U_ref_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(U_array_ref(:, :, i), network.bus_has_phase);

    v_error(i) = norm(V_continuation_stack - V_ref_stack, 2) / norm(V_ref_stack, 2);
    u_error_eq9(i) = norm(U_continuation_eq9_stack - U_ref_stack, 2) / norm(U_ref_stack,
↪2);
    u_error_eq12(i) = norm(U_continuation_eq12_stack - U_ref_stack, 2) / norm(U_ref_
↪stack, 2);

    s_pcc_error_pre(i) = norm(s_pcc_continuation(i, :) - s_pcc_ref(i, :));
end

% Compute apparent power by summing across phases and taking absolute value.
s_pcc_mag_ref = abs(sum(s_pcc_ref, 2));

s_pcc_error = s_pcc_error_pre / max(s_pcc_mag_ref);

```

## Create plots

Sort kappa\_vec to get a nice plot

```

[kappa_vec_sorted, kappa_vec_sorted_ind] = sort(kappa_vec);

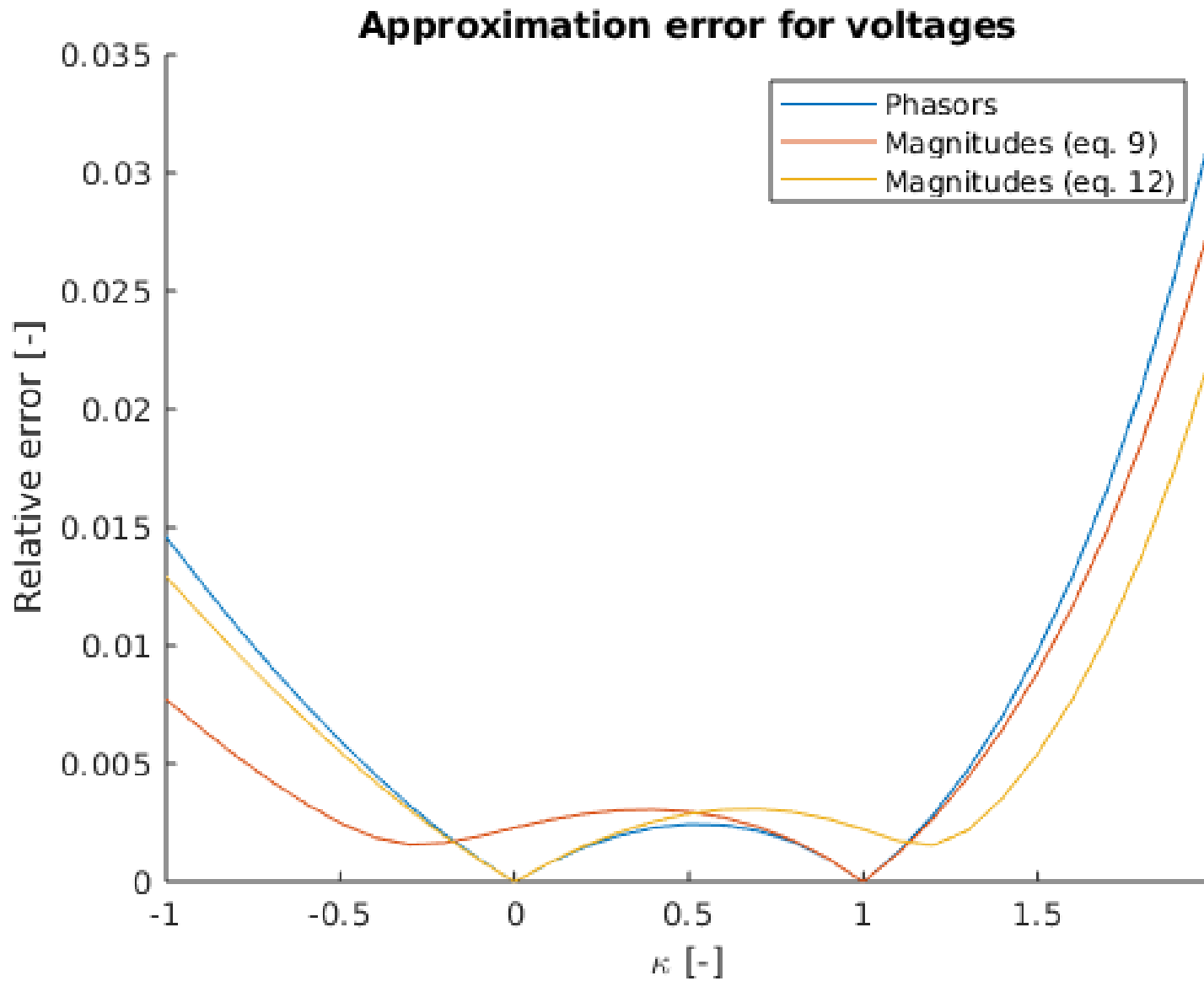
v_error_sorted = v_error(kappa_vec_sorted_ind);
u_error_eq9_sorted = u_error_eq9(kappa_vec_sorted_ind);
u_error_eq12_sorted = u_error_eq12(kappa_vec_sorted_ind);

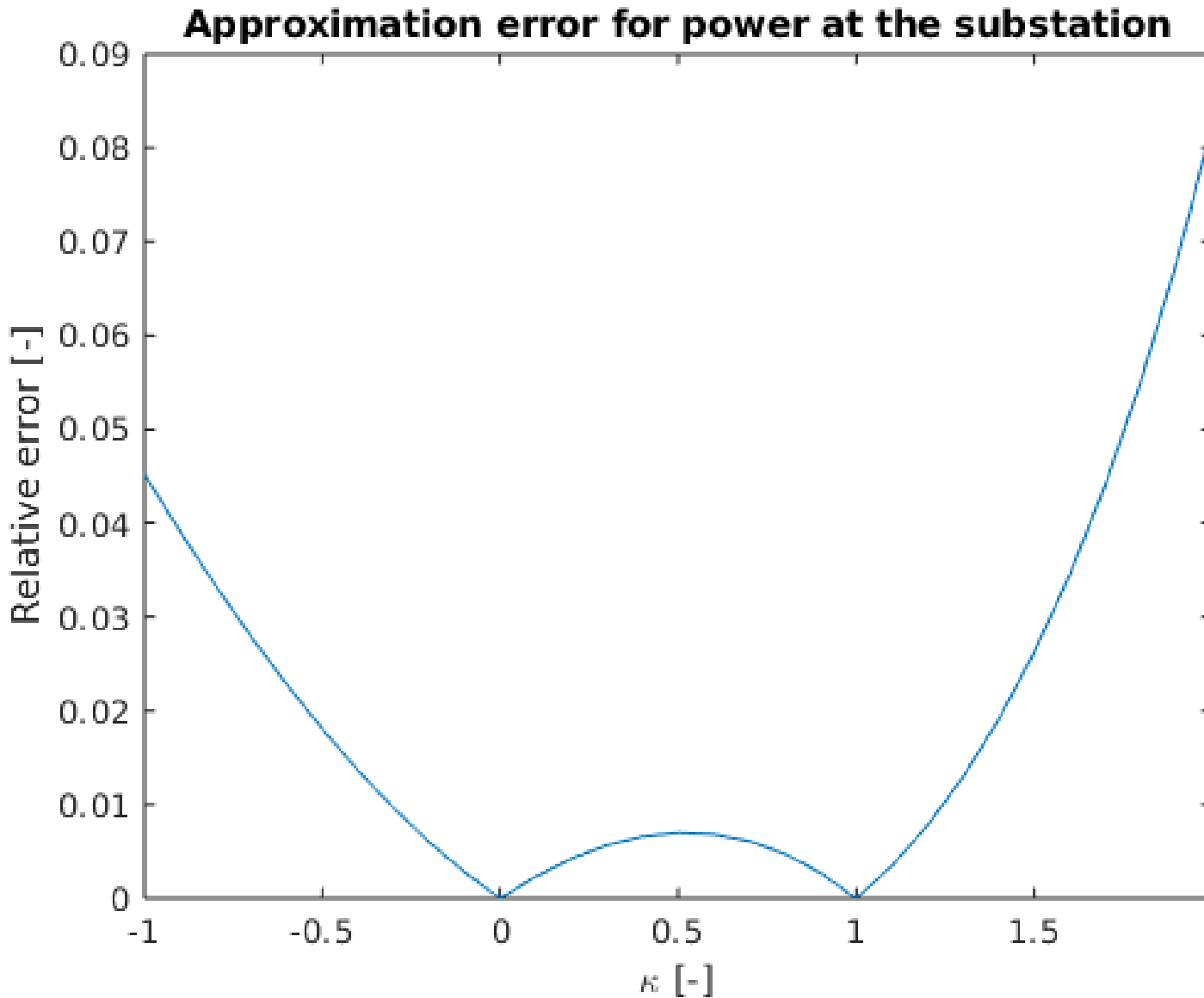
s_pcc_error_sorted = s_pcc_error(kappa_vec_sorted_ind);

% Compute error in voltage approximation
figure
hold on
plot(kappa_vec_sorted, v_error_sorted);
plot(kappa_vec_sorted, u_error_eq9_sorted);
plot(kappa_vec_sorted, u_error_eq12_sorted);
legend('Phasors', 'Magnitudes (eq. 9)', 'Magnitudes (eq. 12)')
title('Approximation error for voltages')
xlabel('\kappa [-]')
ylabel('Relative error [-]')

% Compute error in PCC power
figure
plot(kappa_vec_sorted, s_pcc_error_sorted);
title('Approximation error for power at the substation')
xlabel('\kappa [-]')
ylabel('Relative error [-]')

```





### Creating an initial test case

We managed to replicate the results of the paper giving us trust in the correctness of our implementation. The next step is to make a functional test case out of this experiment. The starting point for this is `SampleTest()`.

As before, we can take inspiration from other power flow surrogates, for example, `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LPtest()` for inspiration. This file has two test cases (i.e., functions starting with `Test`): `TestAgainstPaper()` and `TestPowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP()`. `TestAgainstPaper()` compares the results of the UOT implementation with code published by the paper's authors. This test is rooted on `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt`.

`PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP()` then verifies that the result of solving an OPF problem are consistent with `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt`. Furthermore, it verifies that constraints of the OPF problem are satisfied.

Now, we create a test case analogous to *TestAgainstPaper* based on our previous results:

```

1  function tests = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_2test
2  % Verifies that PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_2:
3  % - PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP.SolveApproximatePowerFlowAlt can
4  %   replicate the results in the original paper.
5
6  % This enables us to run the test directly instead of only through runtests
7  call_stack = dbstack;
8
9  % Call stack has only one element if function was called directly
10 if ~any(contains({call_stack.name},'runtests'))
11     this_file_name = mfilename();
12     runtests(this_file_name)
13 end
14
15 tests = functiontests(localfunctions);
16 end
17
18 function setupOnce(test_case)
19 aaSetupPath
20
21 test_case.TestData.abs_tol_equality = 5e-6;
22 end
23
24 function TestAgainstPaper(test_case)
25 load_case_zip = GetLoadCaseIEEE_13_NoRegs_Manual();
26 % Reference voltage from spec (we do not model the regulator)
27 u_pcc = [1.0625, 1.0500, 1.0687];
28 t_pcc = deg2rad([0, -120, 120]);
29
30 % Convert all loads to constant power wye-connected
31 load_case_pre = load_case_zip.ConvertToLoadCasePy();
32
33 % The paper uses kappa \in [-1,2]. However, we focus here on a narrower
34 % range where the approximate power flow is closest to the exact one.
35 kappa_vec = -0.2:0.1:1.2;
36
37 % Reorder kappa_vec so that kappa_vec(1) is 1.
38 % This, will allow us to linearize at the unscaled load
39 kappa_vec = [kappa_vec(kappa_vec == 1), kappa_vec(kappa_vec ~= 1)];
40
41 load_case = load_case_pre.*kappa_vec;
42
43 % Extend u_pcc_array and t_pcc_array to have one entry per time step
44 n_time_step = load_case.n_time_step;
45 u_pcc_array = repmat(u_pcc,n_time_step,1);
46 t_pcc_array = repmat(t_pcc,n_time_step,1);
47
48 linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.PFbaseCaseFirstTimeStep;
49 [U_ast,T_ast] = linearization_point.GetVoltageAtLinearizationPoint(load_case,u_pcc_
    ↳ array,t_pcc_array);
50
51 [U_array,T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array,extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
    ↳ Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,U_ast,
    ↳ T_ast);
52
53 V_array = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array,T_array);

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```

54 s_pcc = p_pcc_array + 1i*q_pcc_array;
55
56 % Get reference values from solving exact power flow
57 [U_array_ref,T_array_ref, p_pcc_array_ref, q_pcc_array_ref] = load_case.
  ↳SolvePowerFlow(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
58
59 V_array_ref = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array_ref,T_array_ref);
60 s_pcc_ref = p_pcc_array_ref + 1i*q_pcc_array_ref;
61
62 % We select the initial tolerance based on aaReplicatePaperResults and
63 % we tune them so that the tests just pass.
64 v_tol = 6e-3;
65
66 % For simplicity, we compare elementwise instead of using the paper's relative
67 % error metric. This will also issue a more informative error if the test fails.
68 % We use absolute tolerances because voltage magnitude is close to 1
69 verifyEqual(test_case,V_array,V_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
70 verifyEqual(test_case,extra_data.U_array_eq9,U_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
71 verifyEqual(test_case,extra_data.U_array_eq12,U_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
72
73 % We compare s_pcc using relative error because it is not necessarily close to 1
74 % Note that the tolerance is much larger than the 0.02 error we saw in the plot
75 % of aaReplicatePaperResults. This is because here we normalize with the actual
76 % load and not the maximal one as done in the paper. Thus the errors for the
77 % small loads (small kappa) are much larger than before.
78 s_pcc_tol = 0.15;
79 verifyEqual(test_case,s_pcc,s_pcc_ref,'RelTol',s_pcc_tol)
80 end

```

## Implementing the power flow surrogate

Finally, we get to the implementation of the actual surrogate. For this purpose, we need to implement the following methods:

- `GetConstraintArrayHelper()`
- `DefineDecisionVariables()`

Let's get started with `GetConstraintArrayHelper()`, which defines the constraints we need to implement. From above, we know these are:

- Voltage at PCC
- Voltage magnitude limits
- Power injection at PCC

Again, we can use `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.GetConstraintArrayHelper` for guidance. Furthermore, we can use much of the code that we wrote for `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_2.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt()`. In order to reduce code duplication we will be moving some of the code there into new methods. We just need to keep in mind that these methods must be static so that `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt()` (which is static) can call them.

```

1 function constraint_array = GetConstraintArray(obj)
2 % |protected| Creates the array of constraints that result from applying the power_
  ↳flow surrogate to the |opf| problem

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3 %
4 % Synopsis::
5 %
6 %   constraint_array = pf_surrogate.GetConstraintArray()
7 %
8 % Description:
9 %   The power flow surrogate implements the following constraints:
10 %   - Voltage magnitude limits
11 %   - Power injection at pcc
12 %   - Voltage at |pcc|
13 %
14 % Returns:
15 %
16 %   - **constraint_array** (constraint) - Array of constraints
17
18 % .. Line with 80 characters for reference #####
19
20 load_case = obj.opf_problem.load_case;
21 network = load_case.network;
22 n_time_step = obj.opf_problem.n_time_step;
23
24 % This power injection includes both controllable and uncontrollable loads
25 [P_inj_array,Q_inj_array] = obj.opf_problem.ComputeNodalPowerInjection();
26
27 % At this point, we need to define decision variables over which we will optimize.
28 % Most power flow surrogates need, at the very least, decision variables for voltage.
29 % Similar to uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP we use U_array_stack.
30 % However, we do not create a T_array_stack because we do not need to keep
31 % track of phase information. This merits some explanation: in principle
32 % we could keep track of phase using eq. 5a. However, there is little
33 % use in doing so since phase does not figure in any of the relevant constraints.
34 U_array_stack = obj.decision_variables.U_array_stack;
35
36 % First, we implement the constraint on voltage at the pcc.
37 % By convention, bus 1 is the pcc
38 n_phase_pcc = network.n_phase_in_bus(1);
39
40 u_pcc_array = obj.opf_problem.u_pcc_array;
41 t_pcc_array = obj.opf_problem.t_pcc_array;
42
43 u_pcc_constraint = U_array_stack(1:n_phase_pcc,:) == u_pcc_array.';
44 % Tagging the constraints makes debugging much easier
45 u_pcc_constraint = uot.TagConstraintIfNonEmpty(u_pcc_constraint,'u_pcc_constraint');
46
47 % Second, we need to specify constraints on voltage magnitude.
48 % The paper presents two ways of doing this: with eq. 9 or eq. 12.
49 % We choose eq. 9 because in Figures 3 and 7, it shows better performance
50 % near  $\kappa = 1$  which is the nominal operating point.
51 % Our implementation of SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt shows us the way to go
52
53 x_y = [uot.StackPhaseConsistent(P_inj_array(2:end,:,:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:,:),
54     ↪:));uot.StackPhaseConsistent(Q_inj_array(2:end,:,:),network.bus_has_phase(2:end,:,:),
55     ↪:));];
56
57 % We create the method GetLinearizationXy to avoid code duplication with
58 % SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt. The method has to be static so that we can call it
59 % from SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt which is static.

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58 %
59 % We add linearization_point as a public property. We add it to the power flow_
    ↳ surrogate
60 % and not to the spec to respect the principle of separating the opf_problem from
61 % the way we solve it.
62 [U_ast,T_ast] = obj.GetLinearizationVoltage();
63 [x_y_ast,V_ast_nopcc_stack] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.
    ↳ GetLinearizationXy(load_case,U_ast,T_ast);
64
65 % Again, we create ComputeMyMatrix and ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9 to avoid code_
    ↳ duplication
66 M_y = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.ComputeMyMatrix(network,V_ast_nopcc_
    ↳ stack);
67 U_array_eq9 = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.
    ↳ ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9(network,u_pcc_array,x_y,x_y_ast,V_ast_nopcc_stack,M_
    ↳ y);
68
69 U_array_stack_eq9 = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(U_array_eq9,network.bus_has_phase);
70
71 % Now we set our decision variables U_array_stack to match U_array_stack_eq9.
72 % We exclude the pcc because we defined it above.
73 voltage_magnitude_def_constraint = U_array_stack((n_phase_pcc + 1):end,:) == U_array_
    ↳ stack_eq9((n_phase_pcc + 1):end,:);
74 voltage_magnitude_def_constraint = uot.TagConstraintIfNonEmpty(voltage_magnitude_def_
    ↳ constraint,'voltage_magnitude_def_constraint');
75
76 % Now we can define the constraint on voltage magnitude as done in
77 % uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP
78
79 % Voltage magnitude bound
80 % Non-enforced u_min constraint is given as 0. Here we convert it to -inf so that
81 % CreateBoxConstraint ignores the constraint
82 voltage_magnitude_spec = obj.opf_problem.spec.voltage_magnitude_spec;
83
84 if voltage_magnitude_spec.u_min == 0
85     u_min = -inf;
86 else
87     u_min = voltage_magnitude_spec.u_min;
88 end
89
90 u_max = voltage_magnitude_spec.u_max;
91
92 % Note that voltage magnitude bounds does not apply to pcc (which are the
93 % first n_phase_pcc elements in U_array_stack)
94 U_box_constraint = uot.CreateBoxConstraint(U_array_stack((n_phase_pcc+1):end,:),u_min,
    ↳ u_max,'U_box_constraint');
95
96 % Finally, we need to couple the pcc load to the rest of the problem. We do this
97 % through eqs. 5c and 13
98 v_pcc_array = uot.PolarToComplex(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
99 [~,~,w] = network.ComputeNoLoadVoltage(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
100
101 % We need to be careful when pre-allocating arrays for sdpvars
102 % s_pcc_array will be an sdpvar because x_y is an sdpvar. The key issue
103 % is that by doing
104 % A = zeros(2,2);
105 % A(1,1) = sdpvar(1,1)

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106 % The sdpvar appears as a double nan in A which is useless.
107 % For more information see https://yalmip.github.io/naninmodel/
108 %
109 % One way of doing this is creating a cell array and then concatenating the
110 % contents.
111 s_pcc_cell = cell(n_time_step,1);
112
113 for i = 1:n_time_step
114     v_pcc_i = v_pcc_array(i,:).';
115     G_y = diag(v_pcc_i)*conj(network.Ybus_SN)*conj(M_y);
116
117     c = diag(v_pcc_i)*(conj(network.Ybus_SS)*conj(v_pcc_i) + conj(network.Ybus_
118 ↪ SN)*conj(w(:,i)));
119
120     % Transpose to keep covension of phases being along dimension 2
121     s_pcc_cell{i} = (G_y*x_y(:,i) + c).';
122 end
123
124 s_pcc_array = vertcat(s_pcc_cell{:});
125
126 p_pcc_array = real(s_pcc_array);
127 q_pcc_array = imag(s_pcc_array);
128
129 % Recall that bus 1 is the pcc. Further, we permute the dimensions
130 % so that they match (p_pcc_array has time along dimension 1 and P_inj_array
131 % has time along dimension 3).
132 p_pcc_array_constraint = p_pcc_array == uot.PermuteDims1and3(P_inj_array(1,:,:));
133 p_pcc_array_constraint = uot.TagConstraintIfNonEmpty(p_pcc_array_constraint,'p_pcc_
134 ↪ array_constraint');
135
136 q_pcc_array_constraint = q_pcc_array == uot.PermuteDims1and3(Q_inj_array(1,:,:));
137 q_pcc_array_constraint = uot.TagConstraintIfNonEmpty(q_pcc_array_constraint,'q_pcc_
138 ↪ array_constraint');
139
140 constraint_array = [
141     u_pcc_constraint;
142     voltage_magnitude_def_constraint;
143     U_box_constraint;
144     p_pcc_array_constraint;
145     q_pcc_array_constraint
146 ];
147 end

```

## Trying out the power flow surrogate

We try solving an OPF problem with our brand new surrogate.

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```

clear variables
aaSetupPath

```

## Initialize OPF problem

```
pf_surrogate_spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3();
use_gridlab = false;
opf_problem = GetExampleOPFproblem(pf_surrogate_spec, use_gridlab);

% Select solver
opf_problem.sdpsettings = sdpsettings('solver', 'sedumi');
```

## Solve OPF problem

The problem is infeasible (see error message at the bottom) which suggests that there might a bug in our implementation. As we mentioned at the beginning, implementing power flow surrogates is an error prone process.

```
[objective_value, solver_time, diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();
```

```
SeDuMi 1.32 by AdvOL, 2005-2008 and Jos F. Sturm, 1998-2003.
Alg = 2: xz-corrector, theta = 0.250, beta = 0.500
Put 38 free variables in a quadratic cone
eqs m = 55, order n = 91, dim = 129, blocks = 3
nnz(A) = 691 + 0, nnz(ADA) = 3025, nnz(L) = 1540
it :      b*y      gap      delta rate      t/tP*      t/tD*      feas cg cg prec
0 :              1.04E+00 0.000
1 :      4.42E+00 3.77E-01 0.000 0.3644 0.9000 0.9000      -0.29 1 1 2.7E+00
2 :      1.97E+00 1.63E-01 0.000 0.4313 0.9000 0.9000      2.66 1 1 6.7E-01
3 :      1.34E+00 6.54E-02 0.000 0.4016 0.9000 0.9000      2.97 1 1 1.3E-01
4 :      1.11E+00 2.11E-02 0.000 0.3232 0.9000 0.9000      1.39 1 1 4.4E-02
5 :      1.03E+00 7.22E-03 0.000 0.3416 0.9000 0.9000      0.09 1 1 5.6E-02
6 :      3.64E-01 5.78E-04 0.000 0.0801 0.9900 0.9900     -0.75 1 1 3.3E-02
7 :      8.22E-01 1.29E-05 0.000 0.0224 0.9900 0.9900     -1.00 1 1 2.7E-02
8 :      9.02E-02 1.37E-10 0.000 0.0000 1.0000 1.0000     -1.00 1 1 3.0E-02
9 :      9.02E-02 3.12E-14 0.000 0.0002 0.9999 0.9999     -1.00 1 1 3.5E-02

Dual infeasible, primal improving direction found.
iter seconds |Ax|      [Ay]_+      |x|      |y|
9          0.1 1.9e-10 2.5e-11 4.5e+02 4.1e-11

Detailed timing (sec)
      Pre      IPM      Post
1.640E-02 7.147E-02 6.809E-03
Max-norms: ||b||=1, ||c|| = 5,
Cholesky |add|=0, |skip| = 0, ||L.L|| = 1.22198.
Warning: Solver experienced issues: Infeasible problem (SeDuMi-1.3)
```

## Preparation for debugging the power flow surrogate

One good approach for debugging problems is to set the decision variables to the base case solution (i.e., when all controllable loads are zero). In most OPF problems this is a feasible solution, albeit a non-optimal one. This debugging process has been so helpful in the past that there is an abstract method just for this purpose: `AssignBaseCaseSolution()`.

We now implement `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.AssignBaseCaseSolution()`. Once again, we use `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.AssignBaseCaseSolution` for inspiration.

```

1 function [U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = AssignBaseCaseSolution(obj)
2 % |protected| Assigns the :term:`base case` solution to the decision variables in the
   ↳ surrogate. Returns approximate power flow solution that is consistent with these
   ↳ values.
3 %
4 % Synopsis::
5 %
6 % [U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = pf_surrogate.AssignBaseCaseSolution()
7 %
8 % Returns:
9 %
10 % - **U_array** (double) - Phase consistent array (n_bus,n_phase,n_timestep) with
   ↳ voltage magnitudes
11 % - **T_array** (double) - Empty array
12 % - **p_pcc_array** (double) - Array (n_timestep,n_phase_pcc) with active power
   ↳ injection at the |pcc|
13 % - **q_pcc_array** (double) - Array (n_timestep,n_phase_pcc) with reactive power
   ↳ injection at the |pcc|
14 %
15 % Note:
16 % T_array is empty because this surrogate does not keep track of voltage angles.
17
18 % .. Line with 80 characters for reference #####
19
20 % This method assigns the base case solution (i.e., where all controllable
21 % loads are zero) to the decision variables in the surrogate.
22
23 u_pcc_array = obj.opf_problem.u_pcc_array;
24 t_pcc_array = obj.opf_problem.t_pcc_array;
25
26 % SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt operates in the same way as our optimization.
27 % Hence, since we are not considering controllable loads, the results from
28 % using it on load_case tell us the values that our decision variables
29 % should take in the base case solution.
30 load_case = obj.opf_problem.load_case;
31
32 % There are two important things to keep in mind:
33 % 1) In GetConstraintArray, we set decision_variables.U_array_stack equal to
34 % U_array_eq9. Whereas U_array in SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt comes from eq. 5a.
35 % The reason for this is that the constraint on minimal voltage magnitude is convex
36 % when using the formulation in eq. 9 but non convex when using the one in eq. 5a.
37 % We just need to be consistent.
38 %
39 % 2) we are not keeping track of phase. Hence, we ignore T_array
40 T_array = [];
41
42 [U_ast,T_ast] = obj.GetLinearizationVoltage();
43 [~,~, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array,extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.
   ↳ SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,U_ast,T_ast);
44
45 U_array = extra_data.U_array_eq9;
46
47 network = load_case.network;
48 U_array_stack = uot.StackPhaseConsistent(U_array,network.bus_has_phase);
49
50 % We use YALMIP's assign method to give the decision variables its values
51 assign(obj.decision_variables.U_array_stack,U_array_stack);
52 end

```

## Debugging the power flow surrogate

We use `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.AssignBaseCaseSolution()` to debug the power flow surrogate.

*Generated from `aaDebugPowerFlowSurrogate.m`*

```
clear variables
aaSetupPath
```

## Initialize OPF problem

```
pf_surrogate_spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3();
use_gridlab = false;
opf_problem = GetExampleOPFproblem(pf_surrogate_spec,use_gridlab);

% Select solver
opf_problem.sdpsettings = sdpsettings('solver','sedumi');
```

## Try to solve

Problem is infeasible as we expected (see error message at the bottom)

```
[objective_value,solver_time,diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();
```

```
SeDuMi 1.32 by AdvOL, 2005-2008 and Jos F. Sturm, 1998-2003.
Alg = 2: xz-corrector, theta = 0.250, beta = 0.500
Put 38 free variables in a quadratic cone
eqs m = 55, order n = 91, dim = 129, blocks = 3
nnz(A) = 691 + 0, nnz(ADA) = 3025, nnz(L) = 1540
it :      b*y      gap      delta      rate      t/tP*      t/tD*      feas cg cg      prec
0 :              1.04E+00 0.000
1 :  4.42E+00 3.77E-01 0.000 0.3644 0.9000 0.9000 -0.29 1 1 2.7E+00
2 :  1.97E+00 1.63E-01 0.000 0.4313 0.9000 0.9000 2.66 1 1 6.7E-01
3 :  1.34E+00 6.54E-02 0.000 0.4016 0.9000 0.9000 2.97 1 1 1.3E-01
4 :  1.11E+00 2.11E-02 0.000 0.3232 0.9000 0.9000 1.39 1 1 4.4E-02
5 :  1.03E+00 7.22E-03 0.000 0.3416 0.9000 0.9000 0.09 1 1 5.6E-02
6 :  3.64E-01 5.78E-04 0.000 0.0801 0.9900 0.9900 -0.75 1 1 3.3E-02
7 :  8.22E-01 1.29E-05 0.000 0.0224 0.9900 0.9900 -1.00 1 1 2.7E-02
8 :  9.02E-02 1.37E-10 0.000 0.0000 1.0000 1.0000 -1.00 1 1 3.0E-02
9 :  9.02E-02 3.12E-14 0.000 0.0002 0.9999 0.9999 -1.00 1 1 3.5E-02

Dual infeasible, primal improving direction found.
iter seconds |Ax|      [Ay]_+      |x|      |y|
9          0.0 1.9e-10 2.5e-11 4.5e+02 4.1e-11

Detailed timing (sec)
Pre      IPM      Post
9.706E-03 1.948E-02 1.841E-03
Max-norms: ||b||=1, ||c|| = 5,
Cholesky |add|=0, |skip| = 0, ||L.L|| = 1.22198.
Warning: Solver experienced issues: Infeasible problem (SeDuMi-1.3)
```

## Assign the base case solution

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array] = opf_problem.AssignBaseCaseSolution();
```

## Check constraint satisfaction

The base case solution should be feasible. We can verify this by seeing if the constraints are fulfilled using YALMIP's check method (<https://yalmip.github.io/command/check/>). From this page, we see that “a solution is feasible if all residuals related to inequalities are non-negative.”

```
constraint_array = opf_problem.GetConstraintArray();
check(constraint_array)
```

```

+++++
|   ID|           Constraint|   Primal residual|
|-----+-----+-----+
|   Tag|
|-----+-----+-----+
|  #1|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_611_12: p_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #2|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_611_12: q_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #3|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_611_12: q_box_
|↪constraint upper bound|
|  #4|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_632_2: p_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #5|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_632_2: q_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #6|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_632_2: q_box_
|↪constraint upper bound|
|  #7|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_652_13: p_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #8|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_652_13: q_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #9|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_652_13: q_box_
|↪constraint upper bound|
|  #10|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_675_9: p_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #11|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_675_9: q_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #12|  Elementwise inequality|           0|  charger_675_9: q_box_
|↪constraint upper bound|
|  #13|  Elementwise inequality|       1.0102|  swing_load: p_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #14|  Elementwise inequality|       1.0316|  s_sum_mag_max_
|↪constraint swing_load|
|  #15|  Equality constraint|           0|  u_
|↪pcc_constraint|
|  #16|  Equality constraint| -1.1102e-16|  voltage_magnitude_
|↪def_constraint|
|  #17|  Elementwise inequality|    -0.04039|  U_box_
|↪constraint lower bound|
|  #18|  Elementwise inequality|     0.04794|  U_box_
|↪constraint upper bound|
|  #19|  Equality constraint|           0|  p_pcc_
|↪array_constraint|

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```
| #20|      Equality constraint|      0|      q_pcc_
↪array_constraint|
+++++
```

## Examine U\_array

We see that “U\_box\_constraint lower bound” is clearly infeasible. Clearly, the constraint is violated since we set a minimal magnitude of 0.95 in GetExampleOPFproblem.

```
U_array
```

```
U_array =

    1.0625    1.0500    1.0687
    0.9328    0.9998    0.9136
    0.9328    0.9998    0.9136
    0.9328    0.9998    0.9136
    0.9266    1.0021    0.9117
    0.9308         NaN    0.9116
         NaN         NaN    0.9096
    0.9624    0.9904    0.9518
         NaN    0.9812    0.9499
         NaN    0.9795    0.9479
    0.9594    0.9885    0.9492
    0.9357    0.9698    0.9305
    0.9251         NaN         NaN
```

## Examine U\_array\_ref

We now examine what U\_array is if we solve power flow for the base case exactly. We see that all voltages are above 0.95. In fact, some are even above 1.05 which is the maximal allowed voltage magnitude in our OPF problem. This suggests that the issue is that the power flow surrogate is not very accurate in this case.

```
[U_array_ref,T_array_ref,p_pcc_array_ref,q_pcc_array_ref] = opf_problem.
↪SolvePFbaseCase();
U_array_ref
```

```
U_array_ref =

    1.0625    1.0500    1.0687
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774
    0.9836    1.0554    0.9755
    0.9879         NaN    0.9754
         NaN         NaN    0.9734
    1.0210    1.0422    1.0173
         NaN    1.0332    1.0154
         NaN    1.0316    1.0134
    1.0180    1.0403    1.0147
    0.9940    1.0220    0.9959
    0.9821         NaN         NaN
```

## Change linearization point

One way of increasing the accuracy is by bringing the linearization point closer to the operating conditions. Hence, we now linearize at the load in the first time step of the base case.

```
opf_problem.pf_surrogate.linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.  
↳PFbaseCaseFirstTimeStep;
```

## Assign the new base case solution

We assign the base case solution again and examine `U_array_2`. It now matches `U_array_ref` exactly. This is not surprising since we are linearizing at precisely that operating point.

```
[U_array_2,T_array_2,p_pcc_array_2,q_pcc_array_2] = opf_problem.  
↳AssignBaseCaseSolution();  
U_array_2
```

```
U_array_2 =  
  
    1.0625    1.0500    1.0687  
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774  
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774  
    0.9899    1.0532    0.9774  
    0.9836    1.0554    0.9755  
    0.9879         NaN    0.9754  
         NaN         NaN    0.9734  
    1.0210    1.0422    1.0173  
         NaN    1.0332    1.0154  
         NaN    1.0316    1.0134  
    1.0180    1.0403    1.0147  
    0.9940    1.0220    0.9959  
    0.9821         NaN         NaN
```

## Check constraint satisfaction

We now see that `U_box_constraint` lower bound is feasible (i.e, has non-negative residual). We also notice that `U_box_constraint` upper bound is now infeasible. However, this is not a problem since we know that the exact solution has a few voltages above the upper limit of 1.05.

```
constraint_array = opf_problem.GetConstraintArray();  
check(constraint_array)
```

```
+++++  
|   ID|           Constraint|   Primal residual|  
↳      Tag|  
+++++  
|   #1|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_611_12: p_box_  
↳constraint lower bound|  
|   #2|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_611_12: q_box_  
↳constraint lower bound|  
|   #3|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_611_12: q_box_  
↳constraint upper bound|  
|   #4|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_632_2: p_box_  
↳constraint lower bound|
```

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```

|   #5|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_632_2: q_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|   #6|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_632_2: q_box_
↪constraint upper bound|
|   #7|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_652_13: p_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|   #8|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_652_13: q_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|   #9|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_652_13: q_box_
↪constraint upper bound|
|  #10|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_675_9: p_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|  #11|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_675_9: q_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|  #12|   Elementwise inequality|           0|   charger_675_9: q_box_
↪constraint upper bound|
|  #13|   Elementwise inequality|       0.95731|   swing_load: p_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|  #14|   Elementwise inequality|       1.0265|   s_sum_mag_max_
↪constraint swing_load|
|  #15|   Equality constraint|           0|                               u_
↪pcc_constraint|
|  #16|   Equality constraint|           0|   voltage_magnitude_
↪def_constraint|
|  #17|   Elementwise inequality|       0.02337|   U_box_
↪constraint lower bound|
|  #18|   Elementwise inequality|      -0.0053805|   U_box_
↪constraint upper bound|
|  #19|   Equality constraint|           0|   p_pcc_
↪array_constraint|
|  #20|   Equality constraint|           0|   q_pcc_
↪array_constraint|
+++++
```

## Try to solve again

It works!

```
[objective_value,solver_time,diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();
```

```

SeDuMi 1.32 by AdvOL, 2005-2008 and Jos F. Sturm, 1998-2003.
Alg = 2: xz-corrector, theta = 0.250, beta = 0.500
Put 38 free variables in a quadratic cone
eqs m = 55, order n = 91, dim = 129, blocks = 3
nnz(A) = 691 + 0, nnz(ADA) = 3025, nnz(L) = 1540
it :      b*y      gap      delta      rate      t/tP*      t/tD*      feas cg cg      prec
0 :              1.04E+00 0.000
1 :  4.56E+00 3.80E-01 0.000 0.3665 0.9000 0.9000 -0.30 1 1 2.7E+00
2 :  2.04E+00 1.63E-01 0.000 0.4287 0.9000 0.9000 2.64 1 1 6.6E-01
3 :  1.42E+00 7.16E-02 0.000 0.4399 0.9000 0.9000 3.36 1 1 1.1E-01
4 :  1.14E+00 2.02E-02 0.000 0.2825 0.9000 0.9000 2.31 1 1 1.8E-02
5 :  1.11E+00 7.07E-03 0.000 0.3500 0.9000 0.9000 1.32 1 1 5.7E-03
6 :  1.11E+00 3.67E-03 0.000 0.5187 0.9000 0.9000 1.09 1 1 2.9E-03
7 :  1.10E+00 8.78E-04 0.000 0.2393 0.9000 0.9000 1.06 1 1 6.8E-04
```

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```

 8 : 1.10E+00 7.15E-05 0.000 0.0814 0.9900 0.9900 1.01 1 1 5.6E-05
 9 : 1.10E+00 2.20E-06 0.000 0.0307 0.9900 0.9900 1.00 1 1 1.7E-06
10 : 1.10E+00 6.71E-08 0.000 0.0305 0.9900 0.9900 1.00 1 1 5.3E-08
11 : 1.10E+00 4.43E-09 0.000 0.0661 0.9900 0.9900 1.00 1 1 3.5E-09
12 : 1.10E+00 8.84E-10 0.000 0.1996 0.9000 0.9000 1.00 1 2 7.0E-10

iter seconds digits      c*x      b*y
12      0.0   8.7 1.0964634360e+00 1.0964634338e+00
|Ax-b| = 7.8e-10, [Ay-c]_+ = 6.9E-10, |x|= 3.6e+00, |y|= 8.2e+00

Detailed timing (sec)
      Pre      IPM      Post
7.222E-03  2.418E-02  1.891E-03
Max-norms: ||b||=1, ||c|| = 5,
Cholesky |add|=0, |skip| = 0, ||L.L|| = 6.80562.

```

## Improving the test case

When we examined `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LPtest()` in [Creating an initial test case](#) we saw that it included two test cases: `TestAgainstPaper()` and `TestPowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP()`. Earlier, we implemented the equivalent to `TestAgainstPaper()` for the power flow surrogate we are developing. Now, we implement the equivalent to `TestPowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP()`.

In the case of `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LPtest()`, `TestPowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP()` calls a helper function `SolutionFulfillsLinearPowerFlowAndConstraints()` which first solves the OPF problem and then creates a load case which includes the values of the controllable loads in the optimal solution. Finally, it calls `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt` using this load case.

The test `TestAgainstPaper()` gives us confidence that `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt` is correct. In light of this, `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LPtest()` then verifies that the decision variables in the optimization take values that are consistent with `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt`. Then, it calls `uot.OPFproblem.AssertConstraintSatisfaction` which verifies that the decision variables in the OPF problem fulfill the specified constraints. This ensures that we did not forget to implement any constraints in the powerflow surrogate.

**Note:** By using a power flow surrogate we make the OPF problem tractable. However, we pay a price for this: we lose exact knowledge of the indirect variables (see [11] for a more detailed explanation). This means that having the decision variables in the OPF problem fulfill the specified constraints (which is what we verify in the test), does not guarantee that the constraints will be fulfilled if we solve the power flow equations using the values for the controllable loads. This difference becomes clear with the following code for a generic OPF problem

```

[objective_value,solver_time,diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();

% These are the values from the decision variables in the optimization problem
[U_array,T_array] = opf_problem.GetVoltageEstimate();
[p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = opf_problem.EvaluatePowerInjectionFromPCCload();

% These are the result of solving the power flow equations with the
% values of the controllable loads computed in the optimization
[U_array_pf,T_array_pf,p_pcc_array_pf,q_pcc_array_pf] = opf_problem.
↪SolvePFwithControllableLoadValues();

```

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```
% In general, U_array will not match U_array_pf, T_array will not match T_array_pf
% and so on.
```

Now, we go back to implementing our test case following the example of `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LPtest()`.

```
1 function tests = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3test
2 % Verifies that |PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3| works as expected
3 %
4 % Description:
5 %   This test verifies that:
6 %
7 %   - :meth:`PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt` can
  ↳ replicate the results in :cite:`Bernstein2017`.
8 %   - The solution from the |opf| problem are consistent with those from
  ↳ :meth:`PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt`
9 %   - The solution from the |opf| problem fulfills constraints
10
11 % This enables us to run the test directly instead of only through runtests
12 call_stack = dbstack;
13
14 % Call stack has only one element if function was called directly
15 if ~any(contains({call_stack.name}, 'runtests'))
16     this_file_name = mfilename();
17     runtests(this_file_name)
18 end
19
20 tests = functiontests(localfunctions);
21 end
22
23 function setupOnce(test_case)
24 aaSetupPath
25
26 test_case.TestData.abs_tol_equality = 5e-6;
27 end
28
29 function TestPowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP(test_case)
30 pf_surrogate_spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3();
31 use_gridlab = false;
32 opf_problem = GetExampleOPFproblem(pf_surrogate_spec, use_gridlab);
33
34 % Select solver
35 opf_problem.sdpsettings = sdpsettings('solver', 'sedumi');
36
37 opf_problem.pf_surrogate.linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.
  ↳ PFbaseCaseFirstTimeStep;
38 SolutionFulfillsLinearPowerFlowAndConstraints(test_case, opf_problem);
39 end
40
41 function SolutionFulfillsLinearPowerFlowAndConstraints(test_case, opf_problem)
42 opf_problem.ValidateSpec();
43
44 [objective_value, solver_time, diagnostics] = opf_problem.Solve();
45
```

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46 % Verify that optimization results match those from approximate power flow
47 % Since, PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3 does not estimate phases,
48 % we ignore T_array
49 U_array = opf_problem.GetVoltageEstimate();
50
51 [p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = opf_problem.EvaluatePowerInjectionFromPCCload();
52
53 load_case = opf_problem.CreateLoadCaseIncludingControllableLoadValues();
54 u_pcc_array = opf_problem.u_pcc_array;
55 t_pcc_array = opf_problem.t_pcc_array;
56
57 [U_ast,T_ast] = opf_problem.pf_surrogate.GetLinearizationVoltage();
58 [~,~,p_pcc_array_ref,q_pcc_array_ref,extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_
↳LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,U_ast,T_ast);
59
60 % Recall that our implementation uses eq 9 to estimate voltage. Hence,
61 % we need to be consistent.
62 U_array_ref = extra_data.U_array_eq9;
63
64 verifyEqual(test_case,U_array,U_array_ref,'AbsTol',test_case.TestData.abs_tol_
↳equality)
65
66 s_pcc_array = p_pcc_array + 1i*q_pcc_array;
67 s_pcc_array_ref = p_pcc_array_ref + 1i*q_pcc_array_ref;
68
69 verifyEqual(test_case,s_pcc_array,s_pcc_array_ref,'AbsTol',test_case.TestData.abs_tol_
↳equality)
70
71 % Verify constraint satisfaction
72 opf_problem.AssertConstraintSatisfaction();
73 end
74
75 function TestAgainstPaper(test_case)
76 load_case_zip = GetLoadCaseIEEE_13_NoRegs_Manual();
77 % Reference voltage from spec (we do not model the regulator)
78 u_pcc = [1.0625, 1.0500, 1.0687];
79 t_pcc = deg2rad([0, -120, 120]);
80
81 % Convert all loads to constant power wye-connected
82 load_case_pre = load_case_zip.ConvertToLoadCasePy();
83
84 % The paper uses kappa \in [-1,2]. However, we focus here on a narrower
85 % range where the approximate power flow is closest to the exact one.
86 kappa_vec = -0.2:0.1:1.2;
87
88 % Reorder kappa_vec so that kappa_vec(1) is 1.
89 % This, will allow us to linearize at the unscaled load
90 kappa_vec = [kappa_vec(kappa_vec == 1), kappa_vec(kappa_vec ~= 1)];
91
92 load_case = load_case_pre.*kappa_vec;
93
94 % Extend u_pcc_array and t_pcc_array to have one entry per time step
95 n_time_step = load_case.n_time_step;
96 u_pcc_array = repmat(u_pcc,n_time_step,1);
97 t_pcc_array = repmat(t_pcc,n_time_step,1);
98
99 linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.PFbaseCaseFirstTimeStep;

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```

100 [U_ast,T_ast] = linearization_point.GetVoltageAtLinearizationPoint(load_case,u_pcc_
    ↳array,t_pcc_array);
101
102 [U_array,T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array,extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
    ↳Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array,U_ast,
    ↳T_ast);
103
104 V_array = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array,T_array);
105 s_pcc = p_pcc_array + 1i*q_pcc_array;
106
107 % Get reference values from solving exact power flow
108 [U_array_ref,T_array_ref, p_pcc_array_ref, q_pcc_array_ref] = load_case.
    ↳SolvePowerFlow(u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array);
109
110 V_array_ref = uot.PolarToComplex(U_array_ref,T_array_ref);
111 s_pcc_ref = p_pcc_array_ref + 1i*q_pcc_array_ref;
112
113 % We select the initial tolerance based on aaReplicatePaperResults and
114 % we tune them so that the tests just pass.
115 v_tol = 6e-3;
116
117 % For simplicity, we compare elementwise instead of using the paper's relative
118 % error metric. This will also issue a more informative error if the test fails.
119 % We use absolute tolerances because voltage magnitude is close to 1
120 verifyEqual(test_case,V_array,V_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
121 verifyEqual(test_case,extra_data.U_array_eq9,U_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
122 verifyEqual(test_case,extra_data.U_array_eq12,U_array_ref,'AbsTol',v_tol)
123
124 % We compare s_pcc using relative error because it is not necessarily close to 1
125 % Note that the tolerance is much larger than the 0.02 error we saw in the plot
126 % of aaReplicatePaperResults. This is because here we normalize with the actual
127 % load and not the maximal one as done in the paper. Thus the errors for the
128 % small loads (small kappa) are much larger than before.
129 s_pcc_tol = 0.15;
130 verifyEqual(test_case,s_pcc,s_pcc_ref,'RelTol',s_pcc_tol)
131 end

```

## Wrapping up the implementation

We have implemented almost all the abstract methods mentioned in *Barebones power flow surrogate*. We are only missing `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlow()`. Looking at `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlow`, we can see that the method is really simple. It only tells `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper` what power flow spec to use. We go ahead and implement it.

## Documentation

Documentation is key to make the code understandable for new users or for yourself after a few months have passed. As always, writing self-documenting code is a great starting point. However, it is typically very useful to have a header describing the code's behavior. The Unbalanced OPF Toolkit uses Sphinx and the MATLAB domain for documentation.

The documentation of code is based on headers which are writing using a particular format, see *Templates*. Then, the files must be added to an `rst` file as we will do here.

The reStructuredText markup and resulting output are below.

### reStructuredText markup

```
.. Add substitutions for this tutorial
.. |PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3| replace::
↪:class:`PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3<demo.PowerFlowSurrogateTutorial.
↪@PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_
↪3>`

.. |PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3| replace:: :class:`PowerFlowSurrogate_
↪Bernstein2017_LP_3<demo.PowerFlowSurrogateTutorial.@PowerFlowSurrogate_
↪Bernstein2017_LP_3.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3>`

|PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3|
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.. automodule:: demo.PowerFlowSurrogateTutorial.@PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_
↪LP_3

.. autoclass:: PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3
   :members:
   :show-inheritance:

|PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3|
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.. automodule:: demo.PowerFlowSurrogateTutorial.@PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3

.. autoclass:: PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3
   :members:
   :show-inheritance:

.. autofunction:: GetLinearizationVoltage
.. autofunction:: SolveApproxPowerFlow
.. autofunction:: SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt

Protected
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.. autofunction:: AssignBaseCaseSolution
.. autofunction:: ComputeVoltageEstimate
.. autofunction:: GetConstraintArray

Private
^^^^^^
.. autofunction:: ComputeMyMatrix
.. autofunction:: ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9
.. autofunction:: DefineDecisionVariables
.. autofunction:: GetLinearizationXy

PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3test
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.. autofunction:: demo.PowerFlowSurrogateTutorial.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_
↪3test
```



### PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3

#### class PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3

Bases: `main. + uot. @AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec. uot. AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`

Class to specify the power flow surrogate presented in [4]

Synopsis:

```
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3()
```

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**Note:** We add the suffix `_3` to distinguish this implementation from the others that were developed in the course of the tutorial.

---

See also:

`PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3`

### PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3

#### class PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3(spec, opf\_problem)

Bases: `main. + uot. @AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate. uot. AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`

Implements the power flow surrogate presented in [4]

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3(spec, opf_problem)
```

**Description:** This class implements the Bernstein2017 power flow surrogate presented in [4]. It uses an explicit linear formulation to approximate the power flow equation. The formulation is based on the fixed-point solution to the power flow equation.

This implementation does not keep track of phase since it is not necessary for implementing the required constraints.

#### Parameters

- **spec** (`PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3`) – Object specification
- **opf\_problem** (`uot.OPFproblem`) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

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**Note:** The paper considers the possibility of delta-connected loads. However, we do not use them here since `uot.OPFproblem` does not support them.

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**Note:** We add the suffix `_3` to distinguish this implementation from the others that were developed in the course of the tutorial.

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Example:

```
% This class is should be instantiated via its specification
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3();
pf_surrogate = spec.Create(opf_problem);
```

See also:

`PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP_3`

```
linearization_point = 'uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.FlatVoltage'
    Linearization point (uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints)
```

**GetLinearizationVoltage** (*obj*)

Returns the linearization voltage given by the choice of linearization\_point

Synopsis:

```
[U_ast,T_ast] = pf_surrogate.GetLinearizationVoltage
```

**Returns**

- **U\_ast** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase) with voltage magnitudes at the linearization point
- **T\_ast** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase) with voltage angles at the linearization point

**SolveApproxPowerFlow** (*load\_case, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array*)

(static) Solves the power flow equations approximately using a power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
[U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array,opf_problem] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
    ↪Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlow(load_case,u_pcc_array,t_pcc_array)
```

**Description:** Tells `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper` which power flow surrogate to use for approximately solving the power flow equations

**Parameters**

- **load\_case** (*uot.LoadCasePy*) – Load case for which power flow will be solved
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(n\_phase,n\_time\_step) of voltage magnitudes at PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(n\_phase,n\_time\_step) of voltage angles at PCC

**Returns**

- **U\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with reactive power injection at the PCC
- **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) - Power flow problem used to approximately solve power flow

See also:

`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper`

**SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt** (*load\_case, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array, varargin*)

(static) Approximately solve power flow

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
↳Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array)
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
↳Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt(load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array, U_
↳ast, T_ast)
```

**Description:** Compute an approximate solution to the power flow equation using eqs. 5a and 5c in [4]. Additionally, use eq. 5c together with eq. 9 or 12 to compute another two approximations of voltage magnitude.

If no additional arguments are passed, the solution is computed by linearizing at the flat voltage solution. Alternatively, the linearization can be done at an arbitrary voltage.

#### Parameters

- **load\_case** (`uot.LoadCasePy`) – Load case for which power flow will be approximately solved
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase*,*n\_time\_step*) of voltage magnitudes at the PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase*,*n\_time\_step*) of voltage angles at the PCC
- **U\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*) with voltage magnitudes for linearization
- **T\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*) with voltage angles for linearization

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*,*n\_timestep*) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*,*n\_timestep*) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep*,*n\_phase\_pcc*) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep*,*n\_phase\_pcc*) with reactive power injection at the PCC
- **extra\_data** (struct) - Struct with fields `U_array_eq9` and `U_array_eq12` containing the other two approximations of voltage magnitude.

See also:

`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper`

## Protected

**AssignBaseCaseSolution** (*obj*)

(protected) Assigns the *base case* solution to the decision variables in the surrogate. Returns approximate power

flow solution that is consistent with these values.

Synopsis:

```
[U_array,T_array,p_pcc_array,q_pcc_array] = pf_surrogate.AssignBaseCaseSolution()
```

### Returns

- **U\_array** (double) - Phase consistent array (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - Empty array
- **p\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with reactive power injection at the PCC

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**Note:** T\_array is empty because this surrogate does not keep track of voltage angles.

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### ComputeVoltageEstimate (obj)

(protected) Computes the estimate for complex voltages given by the power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
[U_array,T_array] = pf_surrogate.ComputeVoltageEstimate()
```

### Returns

- **U\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - empty array

---

**Note:** T\_array is empty because this surrogate does not keep track of voltage angles.

---

### GetConstraintArray (obj)

(protected) Creates the array of constraints that result from applying the power flow surrogate to the OPF problem

Synopsis:

```
constraint_array = pf_surrogate.GetConstraintArray()
```

**Description:** The power flow surrogate implements the following constraints: - Voltage magnitude limits - Power injection at pcc - Voltage at PCC

### Returns

- **constraint\_array** (constraint) - Array of constraints

## Private

**ComputeMyMatrix** (*network*, *V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack*)

(static), (private) Computes the  $M_y$  matrix defined below eq. 7 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
M_y = ComputeMyMatrix(network, V_ast_nopcc_stack)
```

**Parameters** *V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack* (*double*) – *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)

**Returns**

- $M_y$  (*double*) -  $M_y$  matrix

**ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9** (*network*, *u\_pcc\_array*, *x\_y\_array*, *x\_y\_ast*, *V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack*, *M\_y*)

(static), (private) Computes the voltage magnitude according to eqs. 5b and 9 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
U_array_eq9 = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.  
↳ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9(network, u_pcc_array, x_y, x_y_ast, V_ast_nopcc_  
↳stack, M_y)
```

Description:

**Parameters**

- **network** (*uot.Network\_Unbalanced*) – Power network
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase*, *n\_time\_step*) of voltage magnitudes at PCC
- **x\_y\_array** (*double*) – Array of power injections (according to definition in paper)
- **x\_y\_ast** (*double*) – Array of power injections at linearization point
- **V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack** (*double*) – *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)
- **M\_y** (*double*) –  $M_y$  matrix defined below eq. 7

**Returns**

- **U\_array\_eq9** (*double*) - *phase-consistent array* of voltage magnitudes

**DefineDecisionVariables** (*opf\_problem*)

(static), (private) Defines the decision variables used by this power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
decision_variables = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.  
↳DefineDecisionVariables(opf_problem)
```

**Description:** Create the sdvars that will be used as decision variables. Namely, a *phase-consistent stack* of voltage magnitudes

**Parameters** **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

**Returns**

- **decision\_variables** (struct) - Struct with field `U_array_stack` which

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**Note:** The method is static so that it can be safely called from the constructor

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**GetLinearizationXy** (*load\_case*, *U\_ast*, *T\_ast*)

(private), (static) Returns the linearization power injections at the linearization point as defined above eq. 5 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
[U_ast,T_ast] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.  
↪GetLinearizationVoltage(load_case,U_ast,T_ast)
```

#### Parameters

- **U\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*) with voltage magnitudes at the linearization point
- **T\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*) with voltage angles at the linearization point

#### Returns

- **x\_y\_ast** (*double*) - Array of power injections at linearization point
- **V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack** (*double*) - *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)

### PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3test

**PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3test** ()

Verifies that *PowerFlowSurrogate\_Bernstein2017\_LP\_3* works as expected

**Description:** This test verifies that:

- `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt()` can replicate the results in [4].
- The solution from the OPF problem are consistent with those from `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP_3.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt()`
- The solution from the OPF problem fulfills constraints

## 1.3 API

### 1.3.1 Power networks

#### Networks

`uot.Network_Unbalanced`

**class Network\_Unbalanced** (*spec*)

Bases: `uot.AbstractNetwork`

Class to represent unbalanced power networks

Synopsis:

```
network = uot.Network_Unbalanced(spec)
```

**Description:** This class is used to represent unbalanced power networks

**Parameters** `spec` (`uot.NetworkSpec`) – Network specification

**Note:** Using the constructor directly is not recommended. Instead, create the object through the factory method `uot.NetworkSpec.Create`

**See also:**

`uot.AbstractNetwork`, `uot.NetworkSpec`

### `uot.Network_Prunned`

**class** `Network_Prunned` (`network_full`, `removed_bus_name_cell`, `cut_link_name_cell`)

Bases: `uot.Network_Unbalanced`

Class to represent pruned power networks

**Description:** The process of pruning a network consists in cutting away certain links and replacing them with constant loads. This class is meant to deal with these objects that are represented by a network and a load case.

Synopsis:

```
obj = Network_Prunned(network_full, removed_bus_name_cell, cut_link_name_cell)
```

**Parameters**

- **network\_full** (`uot.AbstractNetwork`) – Full network
- **removed\_bus\_name\_cell** (`cell`) – Cell array with the names of buses to be removed
- **cut\_link\_name\_cell** (`cell`) – Cell array with the names of the links to be cut and replaced with loads

**validate** = 'true'

Flag to validate `AdaptLoadCase` against original power flow solution

**validate\_tol** = '1e-8'

Absolute tolerance to validate `AdaptLoadCase`

### `uot.Network_Splitphased`

**class** `Network_Splitphased` (`spec`)

Bases: `uot.AbstractNetwork`

Class to represent unbalanced power networks with split phases

Synopsis:

```
network = uot.Network_Splitphased(spec)
```

**Description:** This class is used to represent unbalanced power networks with split phases

**Parameters** `spec` (`uot.NetworkSpec`) – Network specification

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**Note:** Using the constructor directly is not recommended. Instead, create the object through the factory method `uot.NetworkSpec.Create`:

```
network = spec.Create()
```

---

**See also:**

`uot.AbstractNetwork`, `uot.NetworkSpec`

**CreateNetworkWithPrunedSecondaries** (*obj*)

Create a new network that results from pruning the split-phased secondaries

Synopsis:

```
network_pruned = network.CreateNetworkWithPrunedSecondaries()
```

**See also:**

`uot.Network_Pruned`

## `uot.AbstractNetwork`

**class** `AbstractNetwork` (*spec*)

Bases: `uot.Object`

Abstract base class with common functionality for power networks

**Description:** This class builds the foundation to represent power networks.

### Parameters

- `spec` (`uot.NetworkSpec`) – Network specification
- `bus_data_array` (`uot.BusData`) – Array describing the buses
- `link_data_array` (`uot.LinkData`) – Array describing the links

**See also:**

`uot.NetworkSpec`, `uot.Network_Unbalanced`, `uot.Network_Splitphased`

**U\_base\_v** = `None`

Graph theoretic variables

**Y\_shunt\_bus\_prec** = `'10'`

Rounding precision of `Y_shunt_bus` to remove numerical noise. See `CreateYshuntBusCell`.

**Ybus** = `None`

Shunts

**bus\_data\_array** = `None`

Link variables



**connectivity\_graph** = None

Ybus variables

**link\_data\_array** = None

Variables for per-unit system

**ComputeCurrentInjectionFromVoltage** (*obj*, *U\_array*, *T\_array*)

Compute current injection for a given voltage profile

Synopsis:

```
I_inj_array = network.ComputeCurrentInjectionFromVoltage(U_array,T_array)
```

**Description:** This method implements Ohm's law  $I_{inj} = Y_{bus} * V$  to compute current injection based on voltage.

#### Parameters

- **U\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage angles

#### Returns

- **I\_inj\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with complex power injection

**ComputeLinkCurrentsAndPowers** (*obj*, *U\_array*, *T\_array*)

Compute currents and power flow through links for a given voltage profile

Synopsis:

```
[I_link_from_array,I_link_to_array,S_link_from_array,S_link_to_array] = network.  
↪ComputeCurrentInjectionFromVoltage(U_array,T_array)
```

**Description:** This method computes the current flowing through the network's links according to Eq. 4 in [2]. The power flows are then computed from these currents.

#### Parameters

- **U\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage angles

#### Returns

- **I\_link\_from\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with link currents leaving the from bus
- **I\_link\_to\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with link currents arriving at the to bus
- **S\_link\_from\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with power flows leaving the from bus
- **S\_link\_to\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with power flows arriving at the to bus

**ComputePowerInjectionFromVoltage** (*obj*, *U\_array*, *T\_array*)

Compute power injection for a given voltage profile

Synopsis:

```
[P_inj_array, Q_inj_array] = network.ComputePowerInjectionFromVoltage(U_array, T_
↪array)
```

**Description:** This method computes power injection based on the power flow equation.

$$S_{inj} = \text{diag}(V) * \text{conj}(Y_{bus} * V)$$

#### Parameters

- **U\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* with voltage angles

#### Returns

- **P\_inj\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with active power injection
- **Q\_inj\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* with reactive power injection

## Buses

### uot.BusSpec\_Unbalanced

**class BusSpec\_Unbalanced** (*name, phase, u\_nom\_v, varargin*)

Bases: uot.AbstractBusSpec

Class to specify unbalanced power buses

Synopsis:

```
obj = BusSpec_Unbalanced(name, phase, u_nom_v)
obj = BusSpec_Unbalanced(name, phase, u_nom_v, 'bus_type', bus_type)
```

#### Parameters

- **name** (*char*) – Bus name
- **phase** (*char*) – Bus' phase vector (as *logical phase vector*)
- **u\_nom\_v** (*double*) – nominal voltage (in volt)

**Keyword Arguments** 'bus\_type' (*uot.enum.BusType*) – Bus type

**phase = None**

bus phase

### uot.BusSpec\_Splitphased

**class BusSpec\_Splitphased** (*name, parent\_phase, u\_nom\_v*)

Bases: uot.AbstractBusSpec

Class to specify power buses with split phases

Synopsis:

```
obj = BusSpec_Splitphased(name, parent_phase, u_nom_v)
```

**Parameters**

- **name** (*char*) – Bus name
- **parent\_phase** (*logical*) – Phase to which the split phase bus is connected (as *logical phase vector*)
- **u\_nom\_v** (*double*) – nominal voltage (in volt)

**parent\_phase = None**  
bus parent phase

**Interfaces****uot.AbstractLinkSpec**

**class AbstractLinkSpec** (*name, from, to, Y\_from\_siemens, Y\_to\_siemens, Y\_shunt\_from\_siemens, Y\_shunt\_to\_siemens, created\_from\_Y\_link*)

Bases: `uot.Spec`, `matlab.mixin.Heterogeneous`

AbstractLinkSpec Class with common functionality to specify links of the power network

**Y\_from\_siemens = None**  
from-side admittance matrix

**Y\_shunt\_from\_siemens = None**  
from-side shunt admittance matrix

**Y\_shunt\_to\_siemens = None**  
to-side shunt admittance matrix

**Y\_to\_siemens = None**  
to-side admittance matrix

**created\_from\_Y\_link = 'false'**  
flag to denote that LinkSpec was created using Y\_line\_siemens

**from = None**  
link start bus

**name = None**  
link name

**to = None**  
link end bus

**uot.AbstractBusSpec**

**class AbstractBusSpec** (*name, u\_nom\_v, varargin*)

Bases: `uot.Spec`, `matlab.mixin.Heterogeneous`

AbstractBusSpec Class with common functionality to specify buses of the power network

Synopsis:

```
obj = AbstractBusSpec(name,u_nom_v)
obj = AbstractBusSpec(name,u_nom_v,'bus_type',bus_type)
```

**Parameters**

- **name** (*char*) – Bus name
- **u\_nom\_v** (*double*) – Nominal voltage (in volt)

**Keyword Arguments** ‘bus\_type’ (*uot.enum.BusType*) – Bus type

```
bus_type = 'uot.enum.BusType.PQ'  
    bus type  
  
name = None  
    bus name  
  
u_nom_v = '1'  
    bus nominal voltage in volt
```

## 1.3.2 Loads

### Load cases

`uot.AbstractLoadCase`

**class** `AbstractLoadCase` (*spec, network*)

Bases: `uot.Object`

Interface with common functionality for representing loads acting on a power network

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.AbstractLoadCase(spec, network)
```

#### Parameters

- **spec** (`uot.AbstractLoadCaseSpec`) – Load case specification
- **network** (`uot.AbstractNetwork`) – Network on which the loads act

```
pf_abs_tol = '1e-9'  
    Absolute tolerance for solving power flow
```

```
pf_max_iter = '30'  
    Maximal number of iterations for solving power flow
```

**SolvePowerFlow** (*obj, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array*)

Solve power flow for the load case acting on the network.

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array] = load_case.SolvePowerFlow(u_pcc_  
↪array, t_pcc_array)
```

**Description:** This function uses the Zbus iterative method [1] to solve the power flow problem.

#### Parameters

- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array with voltage magnitude at the PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array with phase at the PCC

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase,n\_timestep) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep,n\_phase\_pcc) with reactive power injection at the PCC

### 1.3.3 Optimal power flow problems

Optimal power flow problems are comprised of the following elements

- Network
- Load case
- Power flow surrogate
- Optimization objective
- Controllable loads
- Specification of voltage at PCC
- Constraints on voltage magnitude
- (Optional) additional constraints (e.g., on the PCC load or line currents)

As is common for the Toolkit, there is a class to specify the problem `@OPFspec.OPFspec` and one for the actual problem `@OPFproblem.OPFproblem`.

#### uot.OPFspec: Specify OPF problems

**class OPFspec** (pf\_surrogate\_spec, controllable\_load\_spec\_array, objective\_spec, pcc\_voltage\_spec, voltage\_magnitude\_spec, varargin)  
Bases: `uot.ProblemSpec`

Class to specify an `uot.OPFproblem`.

Synopsis:

```
spec = uot.OPFspec(pf_surrogate_spec, controllable_load_spec_array, objective_spec, .
    ↪ . . .
    pcc_voltage_spec, voltage_magnitude_spec, 'pcc_load_spec', pcc_load_spec)
```

**Description:** This class incorporates several specifications needed to specify an `uot.OPFproblem`

#### Parameters

- **pf\_surrogate\_spec** (`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`) – Power flow surrogate specification
- **controllable\_load\_spec\_array** (`uot.ControllableLoadSpec`) – Array of controllable load specifications
- **objective\_spec** (`uot.ObjectiveSpec`) – Objective specification
- **pcc\_voltage\_spec** (`uot.PCCvoltageSpec`) – Voltage at the PCC specification

- **voltage\_magnitude\_spec** (`uot.VoltageMaginitudeSpec`) – Specification of constraints on voltage magnitude

**Keyword Arguments ‘pcc\_load\_spec’** (`uot.PCCloadSpec`) – Specification of constraints on the PCC load

See also:

`uot.OPFproblem`

**OPFspec** (`pf_surrogate_spec, controllable_load_spec_array, objective_spec, pcc_voltage_spec, voltage_magnitude_spec, varargin`)

Allow no-argument constructor for preallocation

**controllable\_load\_spec\_array = None**

Array of controllable load specifications (`uot.ControllableLoadSpec`)

**objective\_spec = None**

Array of controllable load specifications (`uot.ControllableLoadSpec`)

**pcc\_load\_spec = 'uot.PCCloadSpec()'**

Specification of constraints on voltage magnitude (`uot.PCCloadSpec`)

**pcc\_voltage\_spec = None**

Array of controllable load specifications (`uot.PCCvoltageSpec`)

**pf\_surrogate\_spec = None**

Power flow surrogate specification (`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`)

**voltage\_magnitude\_spec = None**

Specification of constraints on the PCC load (`uot.VoltageMaginitudeSpec`)

### `uot.OPFproblem`: Solve OPF problems

**class OPFproblem** (`spec, load_case`)

Bases: `uot.Problem`

Class to represent Optimal Power Flow problems

Synopsis:

```
opf_problem = uot.OPFproblem(spec, load_case)
```

**Description:** This class helps to formulate and solve unbalanced OPF problems

#### Parameters

- **spec** (`uot.OPFspec`) – Specification of the OPF problem
- **load\_case** (`uot.LoadCasePy`) – Model of uncontrollable loads

---

**Note:** The OPF formulation considers only wye-connected constant power loads, represented in an `uot.LoadCasePy` object. The reason is that more detailed models are typically non-convex [3]. If loads are specified using the ZIP model, delta-to-wye conversions for some loads and approximating constant current and constant impedance loads as constant power ones is necessary. This can be done using `uot.LoadCaseZip.ConvertToLoadCasePy`.

---

**OPFproblem** (*spec, load\_case*)

Allow no-argument constructor for preallocation

**n\_time\_step** = **None**

This is just for convenience

**network** = **None**

This is just for convenience

**s\_base\_va** = **None**

This is just for convenience

**t\_pcc\_array** = **None**

This is just for convenience

**u\_pcc\_array** = **None**

This is just for convenience

**AssertConstraintSatisfaction** (*obj*)

Verify that specified constraints are fulfilled

Synopsis:

```
opf_problem.AssertConstraintSatisfaction()
```

**Description:** The specification of the OPF problem *uot.OPFspec* contains several constraints which we want the solution to fulfill. This method verifies that the solution does indeed fulfill these constraints.

---

**Note:**

- This method requires solving the optimization problem first
  - This method is meant to be used for debugging
- 

**AssignBaseCaseSolution** (*obj*)

Assign no load solution to OPF problem

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array] = opf_problem.AssignBaseCaseSolution()
```

**Description:** This methods assigns zero load to the controllable loads. It then requests the power flow surrogate to assign the no load solution (i.e., only including the uncontrollable loads. Finally, it sets the pcc load to the no load solution.

**Returns**

- **U\_array** (double) - Voltage magnitude array of the no-load solution
- **T\_array** (double) - Voltage angle array of the no-load solution
- **p\_pcc\_array** (double) - Real power of the swing load in the no-load solution
- **q\_pcc\_array** (double) - Reactive power of the swing load in the no-load solution

**Note:** This method is meant for debugging infeasible problems. Typically, the no load solution should be feasible. After calling this method, we can use YALMIP's `check()` function to find out what constraints are infeasible.

---

#### **EvaluatePowerInjectionFromPCCload** (*obj*)

Compute the current value of the PCC load

Synopsis:

```
[p_pcc_array_val,q_pcc_array_val] = opf_problem.  
↪EvaluatePowerInjectionFromPCCload()
```

**Description:** Compute the current value of the PCC load (which is an `sdpvar`) and return it

#### **Returns**

- **p\_pcc\_array\_val** (double) - Array(`n_time_step`,`n_phase`) with active power due to the PCC load
- **q\_pcc\_array\_val** (double) - Array(`n_time_step`,`n_phase`) with reactive power due to the PCC load

**See also:**

`uot.OPFproblem.GetPowerInjectionFromPCCload`

#### **GetConstraintArray** (*obj*)

Assembles constraints for the OPF problem into an array

Synopsis:

```
constraint_array = opf_problem.GetConstraintArray()
```

**Description:** Requests constraints from controllable loads, PCC load and the used power flow surrogate. Then, puts them all into an array.

Implements `uot.ConstraintProvider.GetConstraintArray`

#### **Returns**

- **constraint\_array** (constraint) - Array of constraints

#### **AssignControllableLoadsToNoLoad** (*obj*)

(private) Assign no load solution to controllable loads

**Description:** This methods assigns zero load to the controllable loads.

#### **ComputeNodalPowerInjection** (*obj*)

(private) Compute power injection at the buses from controllable and uncontrollable loads

Synopsis:

```
val = obj.ComputeNodalPowerInjection()
```

**Description:** This method sums the power injection from the controllable loads, if there are any, with the power injection from the uncontrollable loads in the load case.



**Returns**

- **P\_inj\_array** (sdpvar) - Array(n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_time\_step) of active power injection
- **Q\_inj\_array** (sdpvar) - Array(n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_time\_step) of reactive power injection

**CreateControllableLoadHashTable** (*obj*)

(private) Instantiate controllable loads based on specifications and store them in a hash table

Synopsis:

```
controllable_load_hashtable = obj.CreateControllableLoadHashTable()
```

**Description:** Instantiate controllable loads based on the specifications in `obj.spec.controllable_load_spec_array`. Store the resulting controllable loads in a hash table.

**Returns**

- **controllable\_load\_hashtable** (`containers.Map`) - Hash table of controllable loads

---

**Note:**

- We use a hash table to store the controllable loads so that we can refer to them by name
  - The hash table is implemented as a `containers.Map`
- 

**CreateLoadSpecArrayWithControllableLoadValues** (*obj*)

(private) Create an array of `uot.LoadPySpec` with the current value of the controllable loads

Synopsis:

```
load_spec_array = obj.CreateLoadSpecArrayWithControllableLoadValues()
```

**Description:** This method first evaluates the current value of the controllable loads. Then, these values are put into an array of `uot.LoadPySpec`. This is part of the process to solve power flow with the current values of the controllable loads.

**Returns**

- **load\_spec\_array** (`uot.LoadPySpec`) - Array(n\_controllable\_load) with the current value of the controllable loads

**See also:**

`uot.OPFproblem.SolvePFwithControllableLoadValues`

**DefineObjective\_LoadCost** (*obj, objective\_spec*)

(private) Define objective of minimizing the cost of controllable loads.

Synopsis:

```
objective = obj.DefineObjective_LoadCost()
```

**Description:** Compute the cost of the controllable loads according to the specification in `uot.OPFobjectiveSpec_LoadCost`.

**Parameters** `objective_spec` (`uot.OPFObjectiveSpec_LoadCost`) – Specification of controllable load cost

**Returns**

- **objective** (`sdpvar`) - Controllable load cost

**See also:**

`uot.OPFObjectiveSpec_LoadCost`

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**Todo:**

- Explain in `uot.OPFObjectiveSpec_LoadCost` what the cost entails
- 

**GetControllableLoadConstraintArray** (*obj*)

(private) Collects constraints from controllable loads into an array

**Synopsis:**

```
controllable_load_constraint_array = obj.GetControllableLoadConstraintArray()
```

**Description:** Goes through all controllable loads requesting their constraints. Then, assembles all of them in an array.

**Returns**

- **controllable\_load\_constraint\_array** (constraint) - Array of constraints from controllable loads

**See also:**

`uot.ControllableLoad.GetConstraintArray`

## Interfaces

### `uot.ConstraintProvider`

**class ConstraintProvider** (*spec, decision\_variables*)

Bases: `uot.Object`

Interface to define building blocks of optimization problems, they are not necessarily solvable.

**Synopsis:**

```
obj = uot.ConstraintProvider(spec, decision_variables)
```

**Parameters**

- **spec** (`uot.Spec`) – Object specification
- **decision\_variables** (*struct*) – Struct with decision variables (as `sdpvars`)

**constraint\_tol** = '1e-6'

Tolerance for `AssertConstraintSatisfaction`

### 1.3.4 Power flow surrogates

#### Fixed-point linear power flow model

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP`

**class** `PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP`

Bases: `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`

Class to specify the power flow surrogate presented in [4].

Synopsis:

```
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP()
```

See also:

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP`

**Create** (*varargin*)

Returns an instance of `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP`.

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP`

**class** `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP` (*spec, opf\_problem*)

Bases: `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`

Implements the power flow surrogate presented in [4]

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP(spec, opf_problem)
```

**Description:** This power flow surrogate uses an explicit linear formulation to approximate the power flow equation. The formulation is based on the fixed-point solution to the power flow equation.

This implementation does not keep track of phase since it is not necessary for implementing the required constraints.

#### Parameters

- **spec** (`uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP`) – Object specification
- **opf\_problem** (`uot.OPFproblem`) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

---

**Note:** The paper considers the possibility of delta-connected loads. However, we do not use them here since `uot.OPFproblem` does not support them.

---

Example:

```
% This class should be instantiated via its specification
spec = uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP();
pf_surrogate = spec.Create(opf_problem);
```

See also:

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bernstein2017_LP`

`linearization_point = 'uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.FlatVoltage'`

Linearization point (`uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints`)

**GetConstraintArray** (*obj*)

(protected) Creates the array of constraints that result from applying the power flow surrogate to the OPF problem

Synopsis:

```
constraint_array = pf_surrogate.GetConstraintArray()
```

**Description:** The power flow surrogate implements at least the following constraints: - Voltage magnitude limits - Power injection at pcc - Voltage at PCC

**Returns**

- **constraint\_array** (*constraint*) - Array of constraints

**SolveApproxPowerFlow** (*load\_case, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array*)

(static) Solves the power flow equations approximately using a power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, opf_problem] = PowerFlowSurrogate_
↪Bernstein2017_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlow(load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array)
```

**Description:** Tells `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper` which power flow surrogate to use for approximately solving the power flow equations

**Parameters**

- **load\_case** (`uot.LoadCasePy`) – Load case for which power flow will be solved
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase*,*n\_time\_step*) of voltage magnitudes at PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase*,*n\_time\_step*) of voltage angles at PCC

**Returns**

- **U\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*,*n\_timestep*) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus*,*n\_phase*,*n\_timestep*) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep*,*n\_phase\_pcc*) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep*,*n\_phase\_pcc*) with reactive power injection at the PCC
- **opf\_problem** (`uot.OPFproblem`) - Power flow problem used to approximately solve power flow

See also:

`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper`

**SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt** (*load\_case, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array, varargin*)

(static) Approximately solve power flow

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_
↳Bernstein2017_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt (load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array)
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_
↳Bernstein2017_LP.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt (load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_array, U_
↳ast, T_ast)
```

**Description:** Compute an approximate solution to the power flow equation using eqs. 5a and 5c in [4]. Additionally, use eq. 5c together with eq. 9 or 12 to compute another two approximations of voltage magnitude.

If no additional arguments are passed, the solution is computed by linearizing at the flat voltage solution. Alternatively, the linearization can be done at an arbitrary voltage.

#### Parameters

- **load\_case** (*uot.LoadCasePy*) – Load case for which power flow will be approximately solved
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase, n\_time\_step*) of voltage magnitudes at the PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase, n\_time\_step*) of voltage angles at the PCC
- **U\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase*) with voltage magnitudes for linearization
- **T\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase*) with voltage angles for linearization

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep*) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep*) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc*) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc*) with reactive power injection at the PCC
- **extra\_data** (*struct*) - Struct with fields *U\_array\_eq9* and *U\_array\_eq12* containing the other two approximations of voltage magnitude.

See also:

`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper`

### Protected

**AssignBaseCaseSolution** (*obj*)

(protected) Assigns the *base case* solution to the decision variables in the surrogate. Returns approximate power flow solution that is consistent with these values.

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array] = pf_surrogate.AssignBaseCaseSolution()
```

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (double) - Phase consistent array (n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - Empty array
- **p\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (double) - Array (n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc) with reactive power injection at the PCC

---

**Note:** T\_array is empty because this surrogate does not keep track of voltage angles.

---

#### ComputeVoltageEstimate (obj)

(protected) Computes the estimate for complex voltages given by the power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array] = pf_surrogate.ComputeVoltageEstimate()
```

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (double) - *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (double) - empty array

---

**Note:** T\_array is empty because this surrogate does not keep track of voltage angles.

---

## Private

#### ComputeMyMatrix (network, V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack)

(static), (private) Computes the M\_y matrix defined below eq. 7 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
M_y = ComputeMyMatrix(network, V_ast_nopcc_stack)
```

**Parameters** **V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack** (double) – *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)

#### Returns

- **M\_y** (double) - M\_y matrix

#### ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9 (network, u\_pcc\_array, x\_y\_array, x\_y\_ast, V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack, M\_y)

(static), (private) Computes the voltage magnitude according to eqs. 5b and 9 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
U_array_eq9 = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP.  
↪ComputeVoltageMagnitudeWithEq9(network,u_pcc_array,x_y,x_y_ast,V_ast_nopcc_  
↪stack,M_y)
```

Description:

#### Parameters

- **network** (*uot.Network\_Unbalanced*) – Power network
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(n\_phase,n\_time\_step) of voltage magnitudes at PCC
- **x\_y\_array** (*double*) – Array of power injections (according to definition in paper)
- **x\_y\_ast** (*double*) – Array of power injections at linearization point
- **V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack** (*double*) – *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)
- **M\_y** (*double*) – M\_y matrix defined below eq. 7

#### Returns

- **U\_array\_eq9** (*double*) - *phase-consistent array* of voltage magnitudes

#### DefineDecisionVariables (*opf\_problem*)

(static), (private) Defines the decision variables used by this power flow surrogate

Synopsis:

```
decision_variables = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP.  
↪DefineDecisionVariables(opf_problem)
```

**Description:** Create the sdvars that will be used as decision variables. Namely, a *phase-consistent stack* of voltage magnitudes

**Parameters** **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

#### Returns

- **decision\_variables** (struct) - Struct with field U\_array\_stack which

---

**Note:** The method is static so that it can be safely called from the constructor

---

#### GetLinearizationXy (*load\_case, U\_ast, T\_ast*)

(private), (static) Returns the linearization power injections at the linearization point as defined above eq. 5 in [4]

Synopsis:

```
[U_ast,T_ast] = PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP.GetLinearizationVoltage(load_  
↪case,U_ast,T_ast)
```

#### Parameters

- **U\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase) with voltage magnitudes at the linearization point

- **T\_ast** (*double*) – *Phase-consistent array* (n\_bus,n\_phase) with voltage angles at the linearization point

**Returns**

- **x\_y\_ast** (*double*) - Array of power injections at linearization point
- **V\_ast\_nopcc\_stack** (*double*) - *phase-consistent stack* with complex voltages at the linearization point (excluding those for the PCC)

**Linearized power flow manifold model**

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP`

**class** `PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP`

Bases: `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`

Class to specify the power flow surrogate presented in [5].

Synopsis:

```
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP()
```

**See also:**

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bernstein2017_LP`

**Create** (*varargin*)

Returns an instance of `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP`.

`uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP`

**class** `PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP` (*spec, opf\_problem*)

Bases: `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate`

Implements the power flow surrogate presented in [5]

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP(spec, opf_problem)
```

**Description:** This power flow surrogate uses an implicit linear formulation to approximate the power flow equation. The formulation is based on the linearization of the power flow manifold.

This implementation does not keep track of phase since it is not necessary for implementing the required constraints.

**Parameters**

- **spec** (`uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP`) – Object specification
- **opf\_problem** (`uot.OPFproblem`) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

Example:



```
% This class should be instantiated via its specification
spec = uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Bolognani2015_LP();
pf_surrogate = spec.Create(opf_problem);
```

**See also:**

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Bolognani2015\_LP*

**Todo:**

- Check if `sparse_precision` is necessary. Maybe we can get rid of it.

## Linear branch flow model

**uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_LP**

**class PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_LP**

Bases: `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec`

Class to specify the linear power flow surrogate presented in [6].

Synopsis:

```
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Gan2014_LP()
```

**See also:**

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP*

**Create** (*varargin*)

Returns an instance of *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP*.

**uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP**

**class PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP** (*spec, opf\_problem*)

Bases: `uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Gan2014`

Implements the linear power flow surrogate presented in [6].

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Gan2014_LP(spec, opf_problem)
```

**Description:** This power flow surrogate is derived from the branch flow model SDP used in *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP* by assuming fixed ratios of voltages between phases in a bus and fixed line losses.

This implementation does not keep track of phase since it is not necessary for implementing the required constraints.

**Parameters**

- **spec** (*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_LP*) – Object specification
- **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

**Note:** This implementation uses the linearization method from [7]. The linearization used in the original paper [6] is a special case that can be recovered by setting:

```
pf_surrogate.linearization_point = uot.enum.CommonLinearizationPoints.FlatVoltage
```

Example:

```
% This class should be instantiated via its specification
spec = uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Gan2014_LP();
pf_surrogate = spec.Create(opf_problem);
```

See also:

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_LP*

## Convex branch flow model

**uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_SDP**

**class PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_SDP**

Bases: *uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec*

Class to specify the convex (SDP) power flow surrogate presented in [6].

Synopsis:

```
spec = PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Gan2014_SDP()
```

See also:

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP*

**Create** (*varargin*)

Returns an instance of *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP*.

**uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP**

**class PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP** (*spec, opf\_problem*)

Bases: *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014*

Implements the convex (SDP) power flow surrogate presented in [6].

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.PowerFlowSurrogate_Gan2014_SDP(spec, opf_problem)
```

**Description:** This power flow surrogate is a relaxation of the power flow equations for a radial power distribution network. The relaxation consists in removing a non-convex rank-constraint.

Since the surrogate is a relaxation, if the optimal solution happens to fulfill the rank constraint, then the solution is optimal for the original problem as well. If this is not the case, *ComputeVoltageEstimate* will throw a warning: “Max M eigenvalue ratio = %d is too high, solution is inaccurate.”.

**Parameters**

- **spec** (*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_SDP*) – Object specification
- **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) – OPF problem where the power flow surrogate will be used

Example:

```
% This class should be instantiated via its specification
spec = uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec_Gan2014_SDP();
pf_surrogate = spec.Create(opf_problem);
```

See also:

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_SDP*

### **uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014**

**class PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014** (*spec, opf\_problem, decision\_variables*)

Bases: *uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate*

Abstract class with common functionality for *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP* and *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_SDP*.

See also:

*uot.PowerFlowSurrogateSpec\_Gan2014\_SDP*, *uot.PowerFlowSurrogate\_Gan2014\_LP*

## Interface for power flow surrogates

### **uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec**

**class AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec**

Bases: *uot.Spec*, *uot.Factory*, *matlab.mixin.Heterogeneous*

Abstract class to specify a power flow surrogate

**Description:** The main purpose of an *AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec* is telling the *uot.OPFproblem* how to instantiate the powerflow surrogate. This is necessary because there is a chicken and egg problem: to instantiate the surrogate, we need to pass it the *OPFproblem*. At the same time, to instantiate the *OPFproblem* we need the power flow surrogate.

### **uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate**

**class AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate** (*spec, opf\_problem, decision\_variables*)

Bases: *uot.ConstraintProvider*

Interface to implement power flow surrogates

**Description:** This abstract class specifies the interface to implement power flow surrogates.

#### Parameters

- **spec** (*uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogateSpec*) – Power flow surrogates specification
- **opf\_problem** (*uot.OPFproblem*) – OPF problem

- **decision\_variables** (*struct*) – Struct with decision variables (as sdvars)

**SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt** (*load\_case, u\_pcc\_array, t\_pcc\_array, varargin*)

(static) Approximately solve power flow

Synopsis:

```
[U_array, T_array, p_pcc_array, q_pcc_array, extra_data] = uot.  
↳ AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowAlt (load_case, u_pcc_array, t_pcc_  
↳ array, varargin)
```

**Description:** It is very common that power flow surrogates offer a way of approximately solving power flow. This is typically an algebraic approach that does not rely on solving an optimization problem as done in `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlow`. This method can be overridden for this purpose.

#### Parameters

- **load\_case** (`uot.LoadCasePy`) – Load case for which power flow will be approximately solved
- **u\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase, n\_time\_step*) of voltage magnitudes at PCC
- **t\_pcc\_array** (*double*) – Array(*n\_phase, n\_time\_step*) of voltage angles at PCC
- **varargin** – Additional arguments (implementation dependent)

#### Returns

- **U\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep*) with voltage magnitudes
- **T\_array** (*double*) - *Phase-consistent array* (*n\_bus, n\_phase, n\_timestep*) with voltage angles
- **p\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc*) with active power injection at the PCC
- **q\_pcc\_array** (*double*) - Array (*n\_timestep, n\_phase\_pcc*) with reactive power injection at the PCC
- **extra\_data** (*struct*) - Struct with extra data (implementation dependent)

See also:

`uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate.SolveApproxPowerFlowHelper`

## 1.3.5 Tests

The tests are located in the directory `src/test`. They can be run by setting this folder as MATLAB's current folder and executing `aaRunAllTests.m`.

## 1.3.6 Importing models from Gridlab

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**Todo:** Note that `#include uot_data.glm` must be after clock since it is overridden

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**Todo:** Add explanation on how to use gld models with UOT

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**Todo:** Explain format and time series format

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## 1.4 Conventions

### 1.4.1 File naming

- Code files are named in UpperCamelCase with an initial capital
- Files that are meant to be executed directly start with `aa`. For example, `aaSetEnvironment.m` and `aaUseCase_SolvePF.m`
- Function and class names are written in UpperCamelCase
- Variable names are generally lowercase (with some exceptions where uppercase is justified) and always separated with underscores
- Names for variables with units have the unit at the end. For example, `time_step_s` which is given in seconds. Throughout the code, we use base units (meter instead of kilometer, joule instead of kilo-watt-hour, watt instead of kilo-watt and so on)

### 1.4.2 Code conventions

#### Class constructors

We use `nargin > 0` in class constructors to allow for no-argument constructor. This allows MATLAB to pre-allocate objects.

#### Class property validation

We validate class properties for type and number of elements whenever possible.

#### Validating number of elements for abstract classes

In some cases, a property should have the type of an abstract class. For example, `opf_problem` in `uot.AbstractPowerFlowSurrogate` must be of type `uot.OPFproblem` which is abstract. In this case, we cannot set the property validation to:

```
opf_problem(1,1) uot.OPFproblem
```

because, since `uot.OPFproblem` cannot be instantiated directly, `opf_problem` will be empty when the object is created.

Instead, we use:

```
opf_problem(:, :) uot.OPFproblem {uot.NumelMustBeLessThanOrEqual(1, opf_problem) }
```

which allows for `opf_problem` to be empty at creation and constraints it to have at most 1 element.

## 1.5 Documentation style guide

### 1.5.1 Sphinx Matlab Domain

The code is documented using [Sphinx Matlab Domain](#). To build the documentation, cd to docs and run

```
make html
```

Then open docs/\_build/index.html with a browser.

### 1.5.2 Title formatting

Use the following punctuation characters in the section titles:

- \* for Chapters
- = for sections (“Heading 1”)
- – for subsections (“Heading 2”)
- ^ for subsubsections (“Heading 3”)
- " for paragraphs (“Heading 4”)

### 1.5.3 Templates

#### Object template

**class** `ObjectTemplate` (*spec*, *varargin*)

Bases: `uot.Object`

Template class for `uot.Object`.

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.ObjectTemplate(spec, 'param1', val1)
```

**Description:** This class is intended as a starting point to develop classes that derive from `uot.Object`.

We can also itemize

- item 1
- item 2

**Parameters** `spec` (*uot.SpecTemplate*) – Object specification

**Keyword Arguments** ‘`param1`’ (*uot.PCCloadSpec*) – Parameter

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**Note:** Possibly add a note here

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Example:

```
object = uot.ObjectTemplate(uot.SpecTemplate())
```

**See also:**

*uot.SpecTemplate*

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**Todo:**

- Write documentation
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**ComputeValue** (*arg\_1*)

Compute value based on current state

Synopsis:

```
val = object.ComputeValue()
```

**Description:** Method description

We can also itemize

- item 1
- item 2

**Parameters** **arg\_1** (*double*) – Argument 1

**Returns**

- **val\_1** (*double*) - Val1
- **val\_2** (*double*) - Val2

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**Note:** Possibly add a note here

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Example:

```
val = object.ComputeValue(arg_1);
```

**See also:**

*uot.SpecTemplate*

**ObjectTemplate** (*spec, varargin*)

Note: constructor does not have doc (it would repeat what is already in class)

**prop\_1 = None**

Property 1 (*double*)

**prop\_2 = None**

Property 2 (*logical*)

## Spec template

**class SpecTemplate** (*bus, varargin*)

Bases: *uot.Spec*

Class to specify xx

Synopsis:

```
obj = uot.SpecTemplate(bus,varargin)
```

**Description:** This class is intended as a starting point to develop classes that derive from `uot.Spec`.

We can also itemize

- item 1
- item 2

**Parameters** `bus` (*char*) – Bus name

**Keyword Arguments** ‘`param1`’ – Something.

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**Note:** Possibly add a note here

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Example:

```
object = uot.ObjectTemplate(uot.SpecTemplate())
```

**See also:**

`uot.ObjectTemplate`

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**Todo:**

- Write documentation
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**SpecTemplate** (*bus, varargin*)

Note: constructor does not have doc (it would repeat what is already in class)

## 1.6 Troubleshooting common problems

### 1.6.1 savepath

Sometimes when executing `savepath` in Ubuntu the following warning appears:

```
Warning: Unable to save path to file '/usr/local/MATLAB/R2019b/toolbox/local/pathdef.m
↪'. You can save your path to a different
location by calling SAVEPATH with an input argument that specifies the full path. For
↪MATLAB to use that path in future
sessions, save the path to 'pathdef.m' in your MATLAB startup folder.
```

This can be fixed by running:

```
sudo chown $USER /usr/local/MATLAB/R2019b/toolbox/local/pathdef.m
```

### 1.6.2 Calling GridLAB-D from MATLAB

Sometimes when calling GridLAB-D from MATLAB, the following error appears:



```
ERROR      [INIT] : gldcore/module.c(426): module 'powerflow' load failed - /usr/local/
↳MATLAB/R2017b/sys/os/glnxa64/libstdc++.so.6: version `GLIBCXX_3.4.21' not found_
↳(required by /home/ubuntu/lib/gridlabd/powerflow.so)
```

To fix this problem, execute the following in a terminal:

```
cd /usr/local/MATLAB/R2019b/sys/os/glnxa64
sudo mv libstdc++.so.6 libstdc++.so.6.old
```

For more information, see [here](#).

### 1.6.3 Sphinx documentation issues

- Sphinx aliases (e.g., `longtext|replace:: this is a very very long text to include`) do not work when documenting keyword arguments in MATLAB code files

## 1.7 To-do list

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**Todo:** Note that `#include uot_data.glm` must be after clock since it is overridden

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/docs/api/index.rst`, line 17.)

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**Todo:** Add explanation on how to use gld models with UOT

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/docs/api/index.rst`, line 18.)

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**Todo:** Explain format and time series format

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/docs/api/index.rst`, line 19.)

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**Todo:**

- Explain in `uot.OPFobjectiveSpec_LoadCost` what the cost entails
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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/src/main/+uot/@OPFproblem:docstring of main.+uot.@OPFproblem.DefineObjective_LoadCost`, line 21.)

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**Todo:**

- Check if `sparse_precision` is necessary. Maybe we can get rid of it.

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/src/main/+uot/@PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP:docstring` of `main.+uot.@PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP.PowerFlowSurrogate_Bolognani2015_LP`, line 28.)

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### Todo:

- Write documentation

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/src/main/+uot/@ObjectTemplate:docstring` of `main.+uot.@ObjectTemplate.ObjectTemplate`, line 30.)

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### Todo:

- Write documentation

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(The [original entry](#) is located in `/home/docs/checkouts/readthedocs.org/user_builds/unbalanced-opf-toolkit/checkouts/latest/src/main/+uot/@SpecTemplate:docstring` of `main.+uot.@SpecTemplate.SpecTemplate`, line 31.)

## 1.8 Glossary

**base case** Refers to the case when all the controllable loads are set to zero. Typically used in the context of OPF problems.

**logical phase vector** A definition

**phase-consistent stack** A definition

**phase-consistent array** A definition

## 1.9 References

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