

iPST project

2016-2017 Roadmap

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Partners and organization

1 TSO:



echrain

6 industrials:











3 research centers:





Imperial College

The partners decide on the roadmap in order to guarantee the consistence of the iPST project. There is no need to be a partner to contribute (through the github). Once a years a governance meeting allows new partner to enter.



Current state

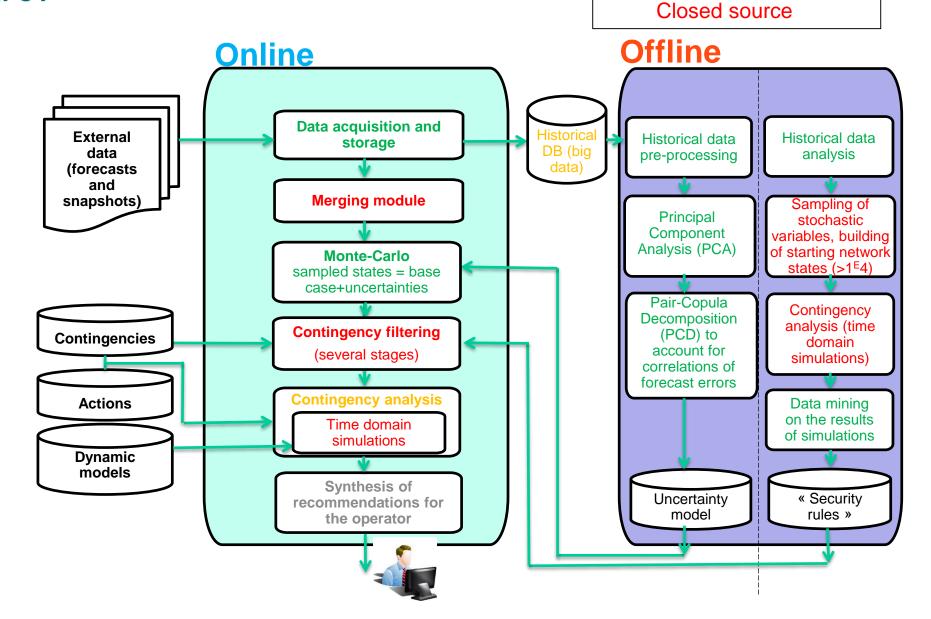
What is open-source, what is not.



Processes

Legend:

Open-sourced
Partially open-sourced





The offline process: the full picture

→ Store grid data into HistoDB:

- Platform integration code: Open-sourced by the consortium, free and best effort support by the project.
- HistoDB module: Closed source code by Pepite but free to use (http://maven.pepite.be:8444/).

→ Sample consistent grid states

- Platform "glue" code: Open-sourced by the consortium, free and best effort support by the project.
- Modules:
 - 1. Withdrawals + RES stochastic models: Open-sourced by Imperial College. *The models are generic and can be reused in other contexts.*
 - 2. Topology random model: by RTE. Closed-source code. Requires Ampl and FICO Xpress.
 - 3. OPFs to obtain a consistent grid state: by RTE and Artelys. Closed-source code. Requires Ampl and Knitro.

→ Simulate and analyse the grid behaviour

- Simulators: Hades, Eurostag, Helm, Dymola: see detailed in following slides.
- Security indicators: open-sourced but:
 - Eurostag extraction routines requires a library based on private Eurostag code.
 - The inter-area oscillation security index needs a small 50 line file with dubious IP that cannot be published. A replacement might be possible (prony analysis).

→ Build rules

- Platform "glue" and 2 modules for the same function:
 - Pepite's Decision Trees (Closed-source code licensed by Pepite. Free access to Datamaestro platform for R&D)
 - Matlab-based Decision Trees (Open-sourced by RTE)

→ Test rules

Platform code to test the rules on another dataset (based on historical data).



Offline: what is functional "for free"?

- → Full process: only up to Imperial stochastic model.
- **→** Simplified process OK:
 - 1. Direct simulation on historical data,
 - 2. Build rules,
 - 3. Test rules.

This process requires only code from:

- Platform code to handle the workflow
- Free network simulator (see later)
- Matlab-based Decision Tree module
- No need histoDB from Pepite (just directories with grid data)
- No need of sampling
- → Contact the project for help to set up the workflow!



Online: full picture

→ Merging

- "Topological" merging (OK for snapshots):
 - Open-source platform code + Hades/Helm
- Mixed Forecast/Snapshot merging (Needed if some snapshots are missing)
 - Closed source-code by Artelys and RTE.
 - Licensing and support to be studied on demand. Requires AMPL and KNITRO.

→ Worst-Case Analysis: uncertainty model and OPFs

- Closed source-code by RTE. Requires FICO Xpress.
- Still at R&D stage.
- → Fuzzy power flow. On demand licensing by INESC.

→ Monte-Carlo Like Analysis (MCLA)

- Platform integration and reporting code: open-sourced.
- Modules:
 - HistoDB: Closed source code by Pepite but free to use (http://maven.pepite.be:8444/).
 - Uncertainty analysis: open-sourced by RSE and Imperial College.
 - Simulators and indexes: as in the offline workflow.
 - Post-contingency analysis with CTA: closed-source by Tractebel. Licensing on demand.
 Free for R&D purposes. Requires AMPL and FICO Xpress.



Online: what is functional "for free"?

- → Full MCLA process up to postcontingency analysis but without the curative remedial actions (IPSO)
- **→** Simplified process OK:
 - No HistoDB from Pepite
 - Default uncertainty model (collinear variation of all loads)
 - Hades/Helm
 - CTA post-contingency optimization.



Zoom on the support to simulation modules in the platform

→ Power-flows: Helm and Hades

Standard API to power-flow module: open-source.

→ Dynamic simulators: Eurostag and Dymola

- Enrichment of static data with dynamic data (dynamic data database, dictionaries...): open-source.
- PSSE to Modelica and Eurostag to Modelica regulators converters: open-source.
- "Event" creations (Line tripping...) for Eurostag and Dymola: open-source

→ OPFs (CTA, Worst Case, Starting point initialization, FPF):

 XML format for curative remedial action optimization (opensource API)



Zoom on computation

→ Distributed computation based on MPI (open-source).

- High scalability from 1 machine to 10000 cores.
- MPI is an API with various implementation available in most computer and supercomputer environments.
- Standard CPU code (no GPU) compiled as "normal" executable.



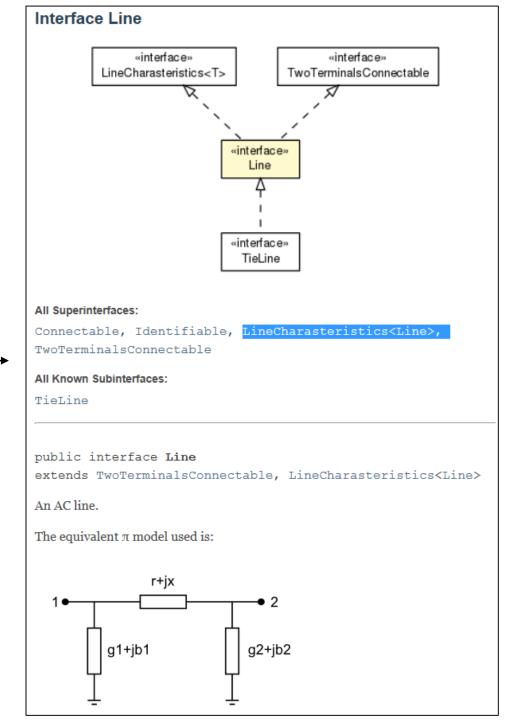
Zoom on the iIDM – iTesla Internal Data Model

- → Importers: UCTE, CIM14, IIDM-XML
- → **Exporters:** Modelica, .ech, IIDM-XML
- → APIs
 - Now:
 - Java API (HADES, HELM, DYMOLA, EUROSTAG, IPSO)
 - AMPL API (Merging, Offline OPFs, Worst Case OPF, FPF)
 - Future: C++ IIDM-XML API



iIDM Java API

- → Javadoc is already existing
- → XSD for the XML part, obtained by serialization/deserialization.
 - The XSD is relatively small (500 lines)





Future functional perimeter

New features in 2016-2017



Simulators

Completion of software releases

→ Project partner software needed for some workflows

	Module	Vendor	License	Support and maintenance	Availability
	HistoDB	Pepite	Free binaries, no restriction.	Common interest	http://maven.pepite.be:8444/
	Decision Trees	RTE	MPL V2.	Common interest	September 2016 on github. Matlab needed as binaries are not yet distributed.
	Datamaestro Decision Trees	Pepite	Free binaries for academic, R&D and trials. Commercial licensing.	Free: Common interest Commercial: Yes	http://mydatamaestro.com/
	Hades Power Flow	RTE	Free binaries for academic, R&D and trials. No commercial licensing.	Common interest	November 2016 (Linux only binary)
	Helm Power Flow	Gridquant	Free binaries, no restriction but size limited. Commercial licensing.	Free: Common interest Commercial: Yes.	Free version expected in 2017. http://www.gridquant.com/solutions/helm-flow/
	Eurostag	Tractebel / RTE	Free binaries for academic, R&D and trials in IPST. Commercial licensing.	Free: Common interest Commercial: Yes.	http://www.eurostag.be/
	Merging module	Artelys / RTE	Free binaries for academic, R&D and trials. Commercial licensing on request.	Yes.	https://www.artelys.com/ AMPL and KNITRO provided by Artelys
	Fuzzy Power Flow	INESC TEC	On request.	Common interest.	https://www.inesctec.pt/cpes-en/about- us/about-us?set_language=en&cl=en
	СТА	Tractebel	Free binaries for academic, R&D and trials in IPST. No commercial licensing.	Common interest.	http://www.eurostag.be/ AMPL and Xpress provided by Artelys.

Non project partner non-free software that may be needed: Dymola, Matlab, Ampl, Xpress, Knitro



Exchange capacities

→ Release of a CIM CGMES importer and exporter

- According to ENTSO-E roadmap and given that CIM 14 is becoming obsolete.
- Expected delivery in March 2017.
- Includes iIDM development to support new models.
- → Participation to ENTSO-E
 interoperability tests if possible



Reinforce iIDM as a pivot format

→ Already used in 5 available modules

 The platform "Artelys Crystal Suite" (Optimal dispatch, capacity expansion planning, unit commitment) will be connected with iPST through the iIDM format.

→ Development of an iIDM-json format

• In order to ease the integration of Optimal Power Flows into the platform by hiding the complexities of CGMES exchange format to the scientific programmer.

→ Release of a C++ iIDM-XML importer/exporter.

 Indeed, RTE plans to use iIDM as an exchange format between its own tools.



Dynamic simulations

- → Ensure OpenModelica works for small systems (and not only Dymola)
 - In particular, improve the conversion from iIDM to modelica.
- → Reorganization of the dynamic database (XML instead of SQL)
- → Improve the binding of the static grid data with the dynamic data.
- → Keep the compatibility with the iPSL open source project (iTesla Power System Library):
 - Both Modelica and iPSL change fast so that continuous work has to be done.



Usability improvements

Decrease the learning curve



Usability for developers

- → Building is currently organized with Maven
- → Ansible scripts will be released
 - In order to automatize the installation of the development environment.
- → Code quality will be improved (unit testing).
 - A code coverage tool has been set up.



Usability for final users

- → Release binary distributions
 - No need for Matlab anymore (MCR compiled binaries).
 - Linux will be the only supported platform.
- → Pepite proposes to organize advanced analytics training and a user group on data-mining
- → Tutorials will be developed
- → The "handbook" will be reorganized.
- → Synthetic grid data produced during the iTesla FP7 project will be integrated when it will be released.



Communication

- → iTesla-Garpur event at CIGRE on August 24th. http://www.itesla-project.eu/cigre
- → Contacts with the future WG Monitoring Results and Application of the RDIC (Research, Development and Innovation Committee) of ENTSO-E.
- → 2 presentations at PMAPS 2016 conference (Probabilistic Methods Applied to Power Systems.
- → Presentations to TSOs.