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Using the ATLAS agent-based model to quantify the intraday value of flexibility assets on European electricity markets

Context

Long-term prospective studies at RTE are conducted using the omniscient Antares model. This work aims at highlighting the importance of taking into account short-term uncertainties in such long-term prospective studies, focusing on the Intraday market. Flexible assets whose importance might be underestimated in a classic perfect dispatch problem are highlighted.



Study perimeter



ATLAS works complementary to single-agent dispatch models (e.g. Antares) through its modeling of:

- Rolling forecast horizons
- Multiple agents on different scales (bidding zones, asset portfolios, control blocks) with incomplete data
- Improved thermic constraints (e.g. minimal duration of stable power)

Europe-wide simulation of the Day-Ahead market + 3 Intraday clearings (matching the anticipated EU regulation)

1 market =



Results

Over the three weeks simulated (one presented), the results show :

- High DA prices/subobtimal thermic startups due to poor anticipation, affecting the following ID markets
- An additionnal and significant Intraday wage for flexible assets, especially EVs and PHS, resulting in the correction of both the forecasting errors and the lack of coordination between actors with incomplete vision (although predominantly the latter).





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