EnerPort

Peer to Peer Energy Trading in the Distributed Grid using Blockchain Technology

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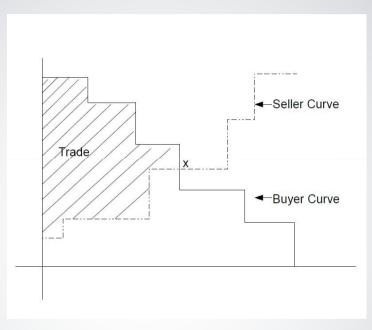
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- Blockchain based marketplace for renewable energy trade.
- Collaboration among NUIG, IERC, Systemlink Technologies, MSemicon and Verbatm

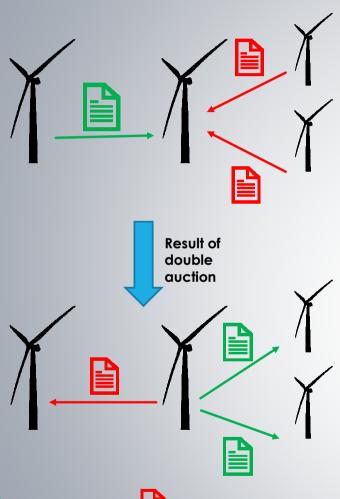
Blockchain Based Marketplace: AUCTION





- Double auction
- Winner determination problem
- Distributed double auction
 - Multiple double auctions.
 - Asynchronous execution

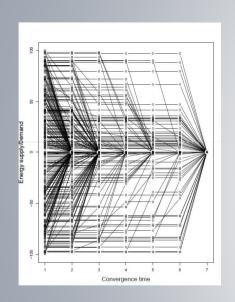
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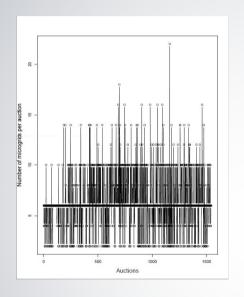
- Microgrids form blockchain peer to peer network.
- Energy demand and surplus information are expressed as transactions.
- Demand token and Supply Token.
- Any microgrid can execute double auction winner determination algorithm if it has unspent tokens.
 - If it can not solve the double auction then it forwards the tokens to a neighbour.
- Based on the result of double auction, supply and demand tokens are exchanged.



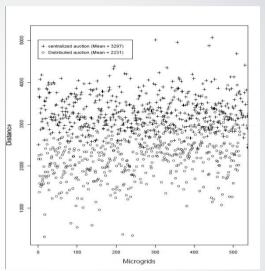
Blockchain Based Marketplace: AUCTION Results



Convergence



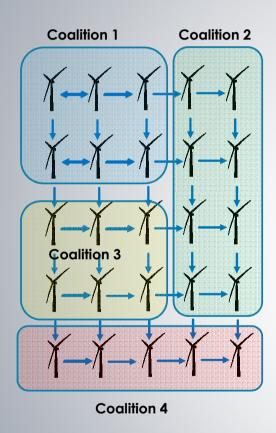
Computational load



Distances among matched microgrids

- Distributed Double Auction converges quickly (80% demands are meet in two steps)
- Computational load is evenly distributed and approximately 1-2% of computational load of a centralized auction.
- Matches local microgrids for energy exchanges.

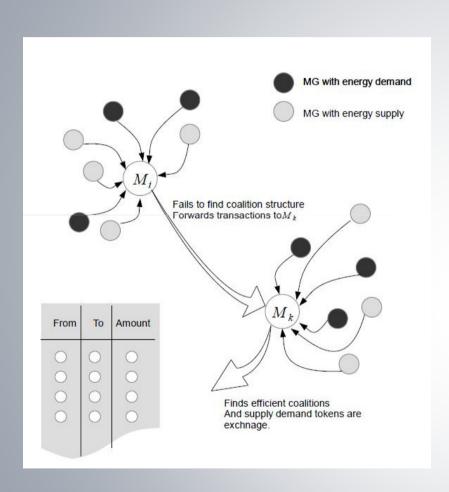
Marketplace using blockchain: Coalition Formation



 Coalition structure generation = Partition over microgrid network

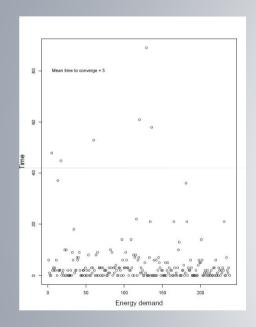
- Microgrids in each group exchange energy
- Minimize total energy deficiency or surplus
- · Stability of the partition
- Multiple asynchronous executions of coalition structure generation algorithm.

Marketplace using blockchain: Coalition Formation

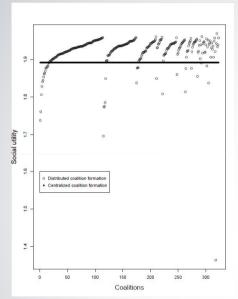


- Supply tokens and demand tokens.
- A microgrid expresses its energy surplus or deficiency as a transaction to a neighbouring microgrid.
- Any microgrid will attempt to solve the coalition structure generation problem for its unspent tokens.
- If a Microgrid can solve find the partition then it makes token exchange accordingly.
 - If it fails then it forwards the transactions to a neighbour.

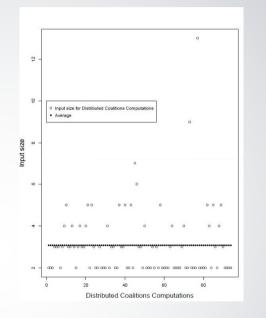
Marketplace using blockchain: Coalition Formation - Results



Convergence



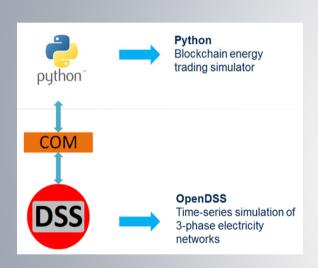
Quality of coalition structure

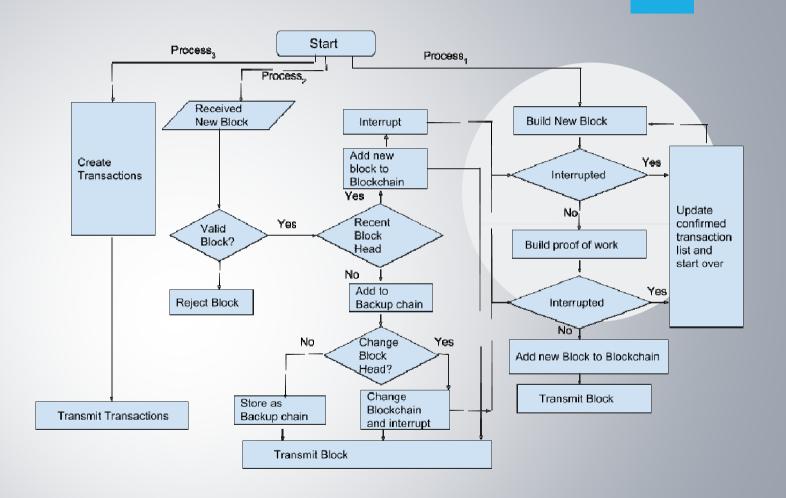


Computational load

- Distributed coalition structure generation algorithm converges quickly (80% in 2 steps).
- More efficient coalition structure generation w.r.t centralized approach.
- Computational load is negligible (1-2% of centralized approach).

Co-simulation of blockchain transactions and electricity networks





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Marketplace using blockchain – Payment System



- Payment via crypto-currency
- Payment in collaboration with energy providers.

Smart Home Bench Demo

Small-scale bench demonstration of P2P-enabled smart home

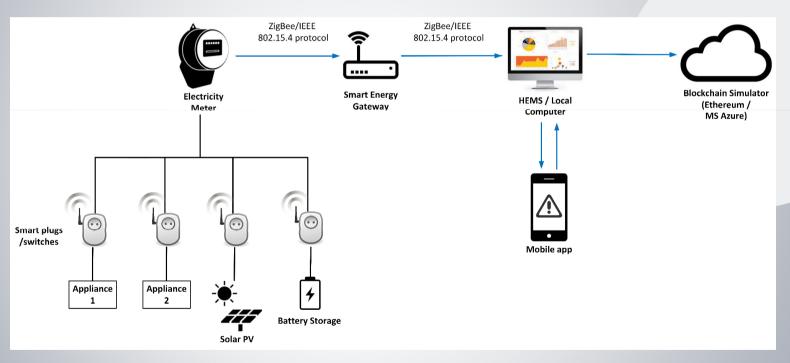
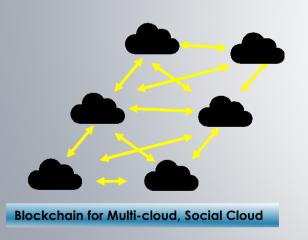
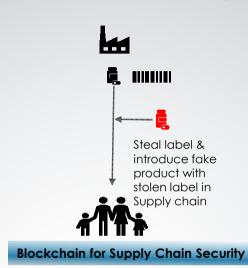


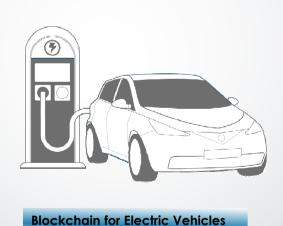
Figure: Smart home P2P Blockchain trading bench demo architecture

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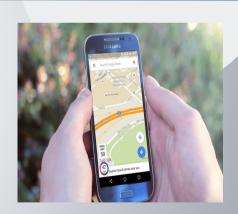








Blockchain for sustainable food supply chain



Blockchain for Crowd-sourcing, crowd-sensing

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QUESTIONS?