



# A Distributed Algorithm for Scenario-based Model Predictive Control using Primal Decomposition

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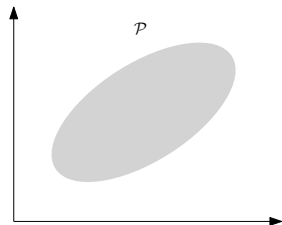
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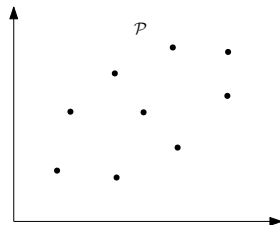
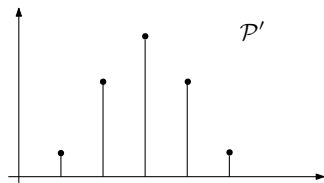
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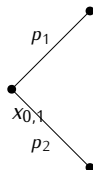
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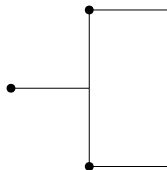
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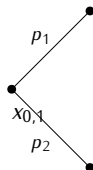
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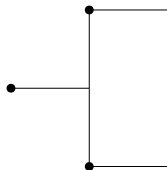
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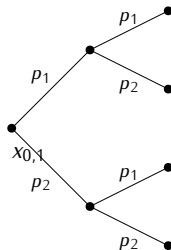
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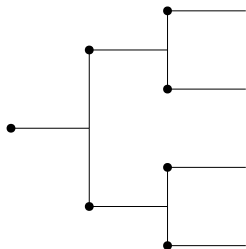
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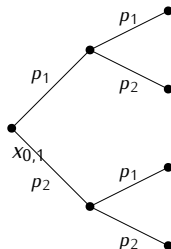
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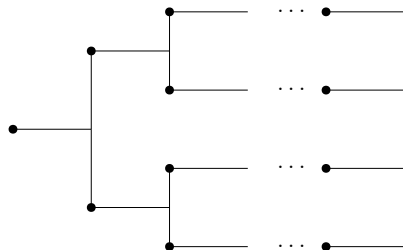
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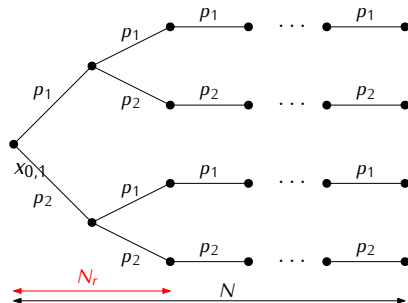
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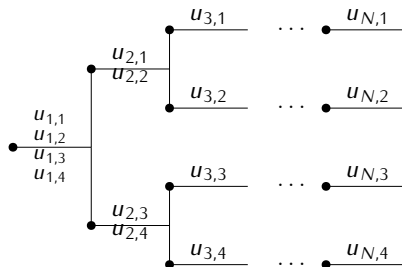
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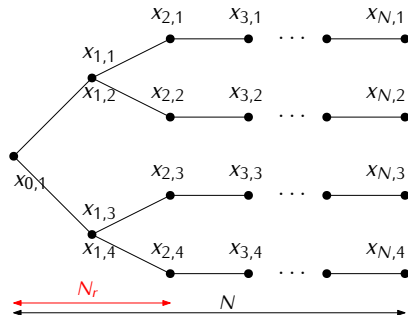
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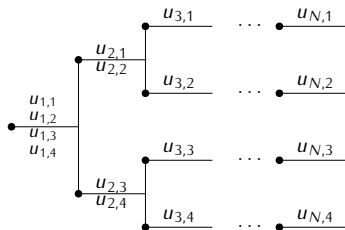
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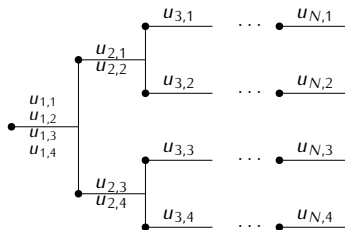
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Non-anticipativity constraints **enable closed-loop implementation!**

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$$E_{j,j+1} = \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccc} I_{n_u} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & I_{n_u} & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$E_{j,j+1} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u n_o, (j,j+1) \times n_u N}$$

# Addressing problem size

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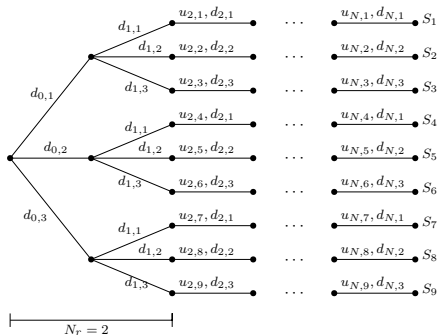
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# Scenario Decomposition

Scenario decomposition using Dual decomposition<sup>2</sup>

## Scenario Subproblem

$$\Gamma_j(\lambda) := \min_{\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}} \omega_j \sum_{k=1}^N \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}) + \lambda^T \bar{\mathbf{E}}_j \mathbf{u}_j$$

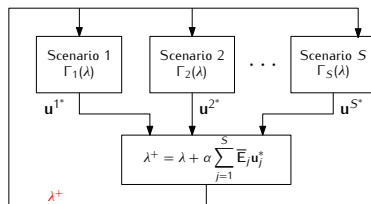
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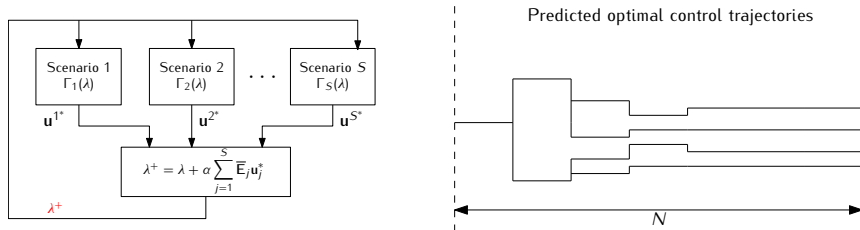


Stopping criteria:  $\Delta\lambda = |\lambda^+ - \lambda| \leq \epsilon$

<sup>2</sup>R. Marti, S. Lucia, D. Sarabia, R. Paulen, S. Engell, C. de Prada (2015) Improving scenario decomposition algorithms for robust nonlinear model predictive control, Comput. Chem. Eng. Vol 79 p.30-45

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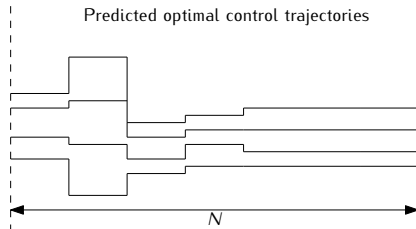
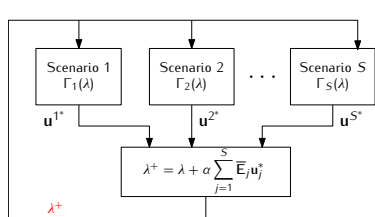
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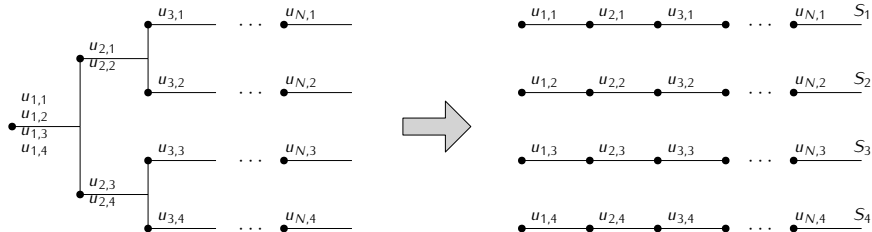
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**Closed-loop implementation fails!!**

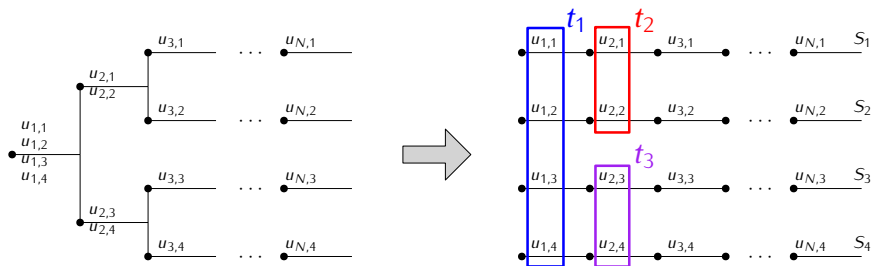
*"Correctness of computation is a function of time!"*

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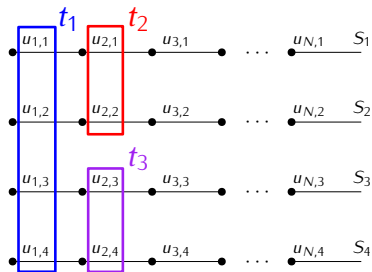
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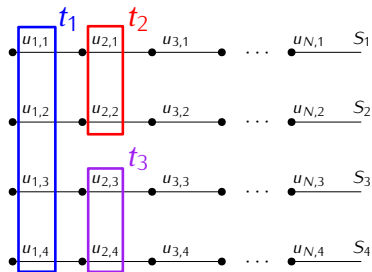
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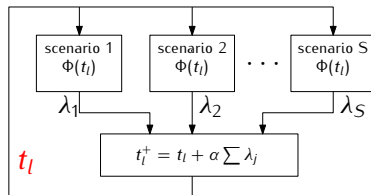
- Solve each scenario subproblem by fixing  $\mathbf{t}$
- Update  $\mathbf{t}$  iteratively in the master problem

Non-anticipativity constraints always feasible !

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## Scenario Subproblem

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\mathbf{t}_l) = \min_{\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}} \quad & \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{x}_{k+1,j} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}, \mathbf{p}_{k,j}) \\ & \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}_{k,j}, \mathbf{u}_{k,j}, \mathbf{p}_{k,j}) \leq 0 \\ & \mathbf{x}_{0,j} = \hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ & \bar{\mathbf{E}}_j \mathbf{u}_j = \bar{\mathbf{t}} \\ & \forall k \in \{1, \dots, N\} \end{aligned}$$



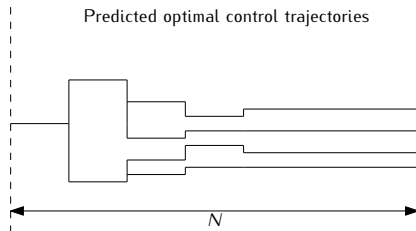
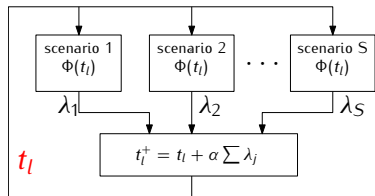
$$\mathbf{t}_l \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}, \forall l \in \{1, \dots, \sum_{m=1}^{N_r} M^{m-1}\}$$

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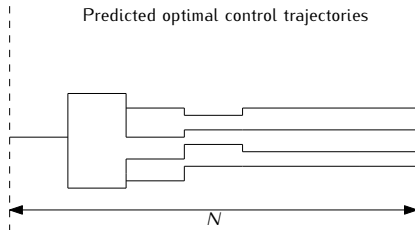
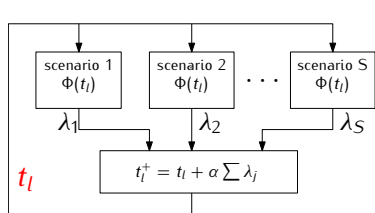
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Closed-loop implementation *still* OK!!

*"Approximate solution **now** is better than accurate solution tomorrow!"*

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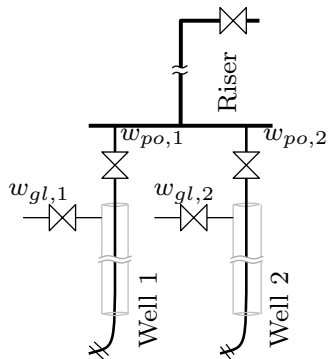
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# Case-study: Gas-lift optimization



$$\min_{w_{gl}} \sum_{k=1}^N \left[ -\$o \sum_{i=1}^2 w_{po,i,k} + \$gl \sum_{i=1}^2 w_{gl,i,k} \right]$$

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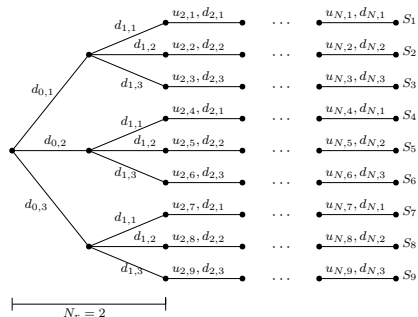
$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k, GOR_{i,k})$$

$$GOR_i \in \{GOR_{0,i} \pm \sigma_i\}$$

$$\forall i \in \{1, 2\}, k \in \{1, \dots, N\}$$

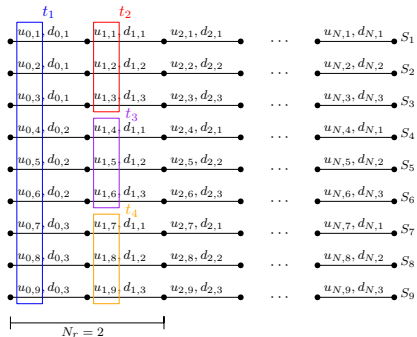
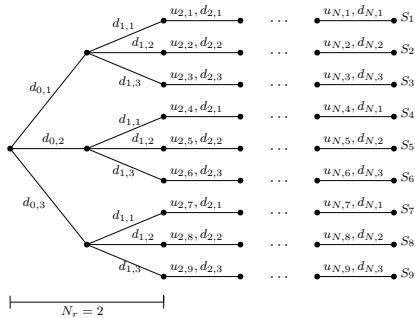
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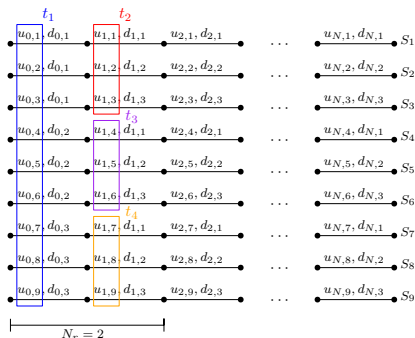
$$\mathbf{t}_l = \{\mathbf{t}_1^T, \dots, \mathbf{t}_4^T\}$$

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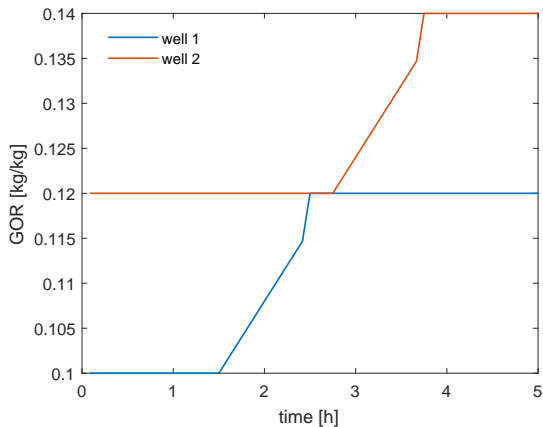
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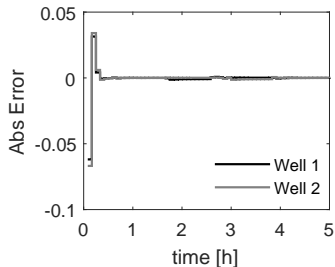
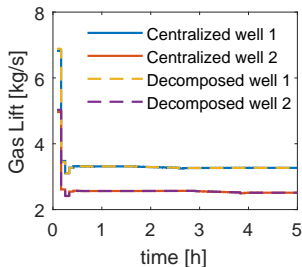
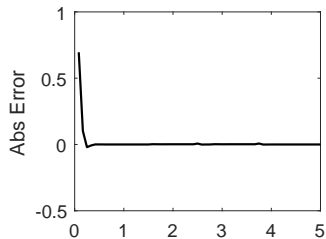
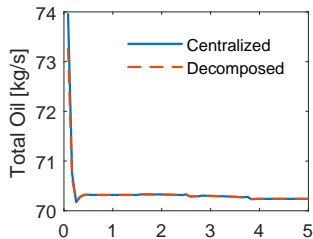
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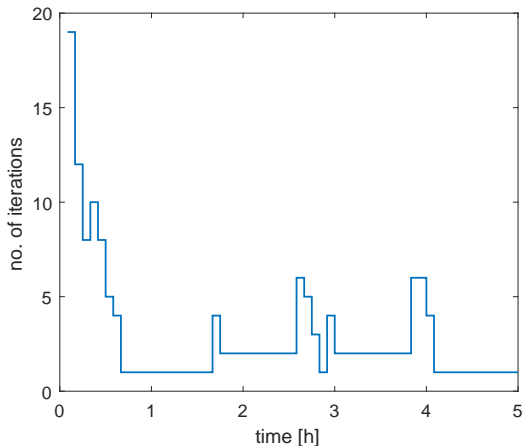


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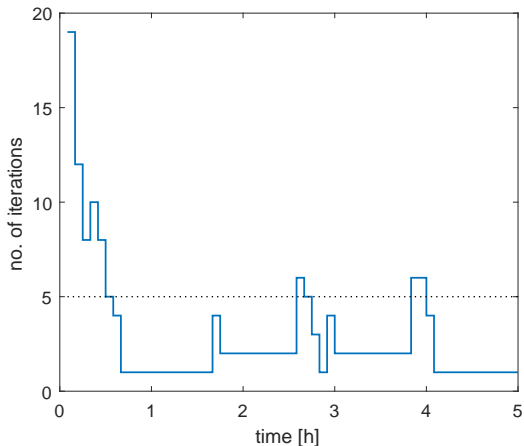
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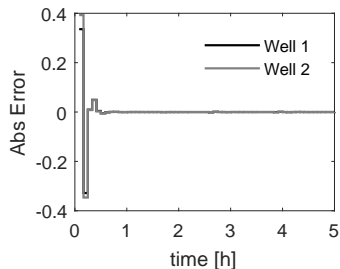
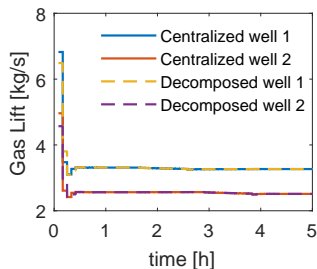
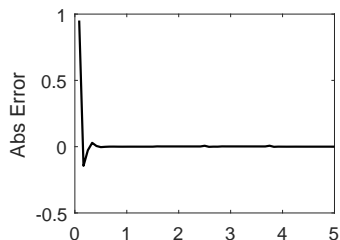
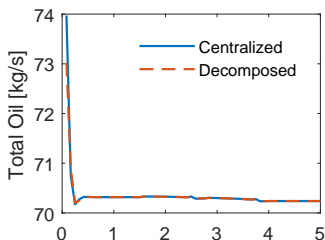
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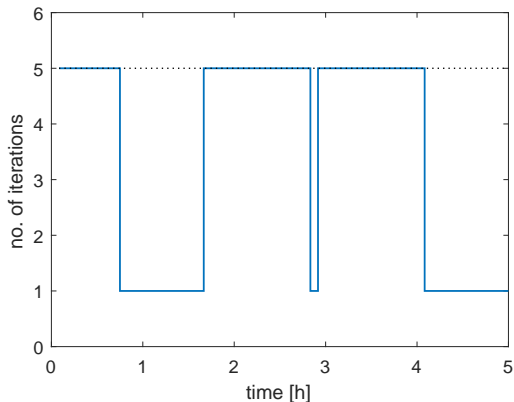
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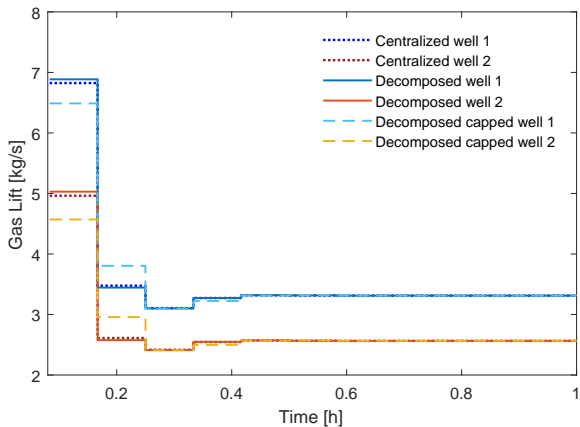


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