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## Modelling loads and responses in SGEM (Smart grids and Energy Markets), WT 4.2

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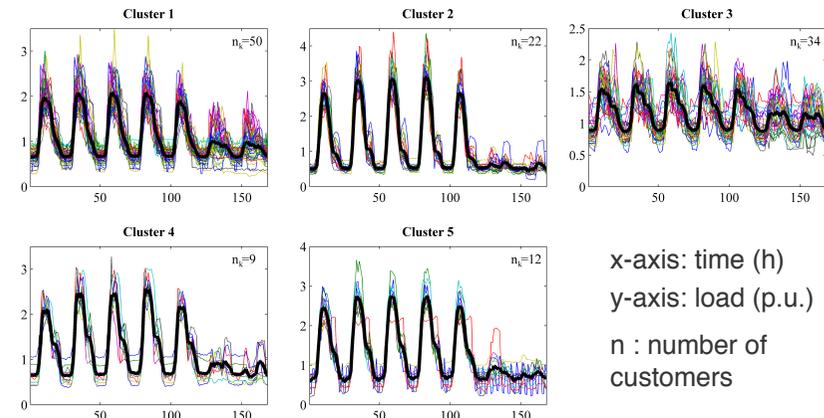
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Research partners of this SGEM task have long periods of hourly AMR-measurement data from well over 20 000 meters and in addition weather data, building data etc.

Original AMR-measurement data is strictly confidential. Legislation regarding customer privacy and electricity markets must not be compromised.

## Development of load models and network calculation

- Our aim is to improve distribution network analysis accuracy by developing more accurate load models.
- AMR meters provide huge amounts of measurement data that can be used in load research.
- So far we have developed a clustering based load modelling method that:
  - Groups customers into similarly behaving customer groups and forms customer group specific load profiles.
  - Detects abnormally behaving customers and forms individual load profiles for them.
  - Calculates temperature dependency parameters for the load profiles
  - Keeps load profiles up-to-date by updating them whenever needed.

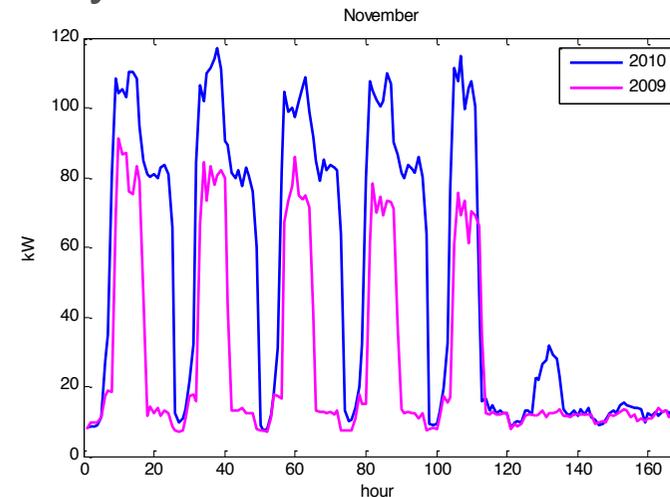


*Clusters for customers belonging to public administration subgroup.*

# Development of load models and network calculation

## Ongoing & upcoming research topics

- What is the effect of new AMR-based cluster profiles on the distribution network calculation accuracy.
- How to detect changes in customer behaviour and take the changes into account in load profiling (see figure below for an example of changed customer behaviour).
- How does demand response, price elasticity and customer level micro generation change the loads.
  - How these changes can be detected and modelled with the help of AMR measurements.
  - What effects these changes have on distribution network states.



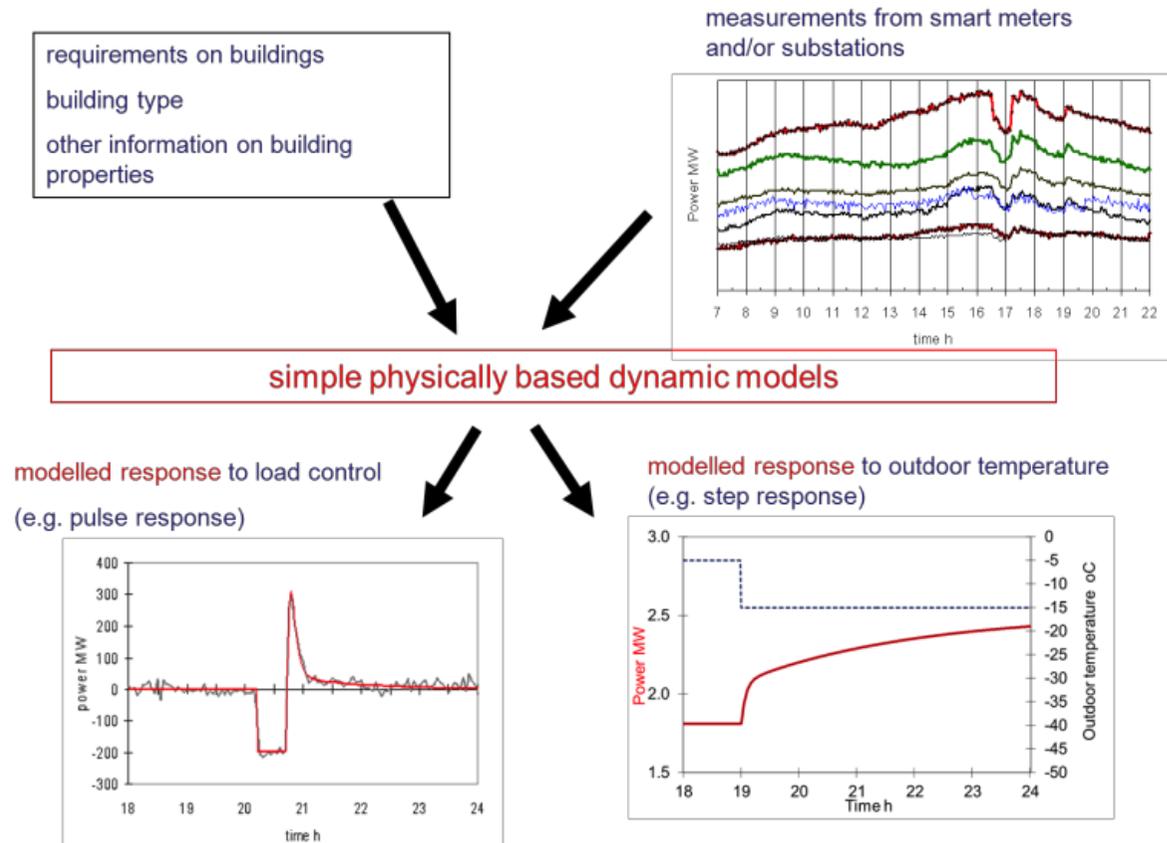


## Models of load responses

- For short term forecasting and optimisation of responses to control actions and weather variations.
- It is important for the market and the grid to accurately know the responses of demand.
- Does not fit with the traditional customer type specific load models, but is in line with the consumption type based load forecasting approach (=the building blocks approach).
- Purely measurement based models require too long measurement periods, cannot forecast new situations and their adaptation to the changes in the loads is slow => Partially physically based models are applied.

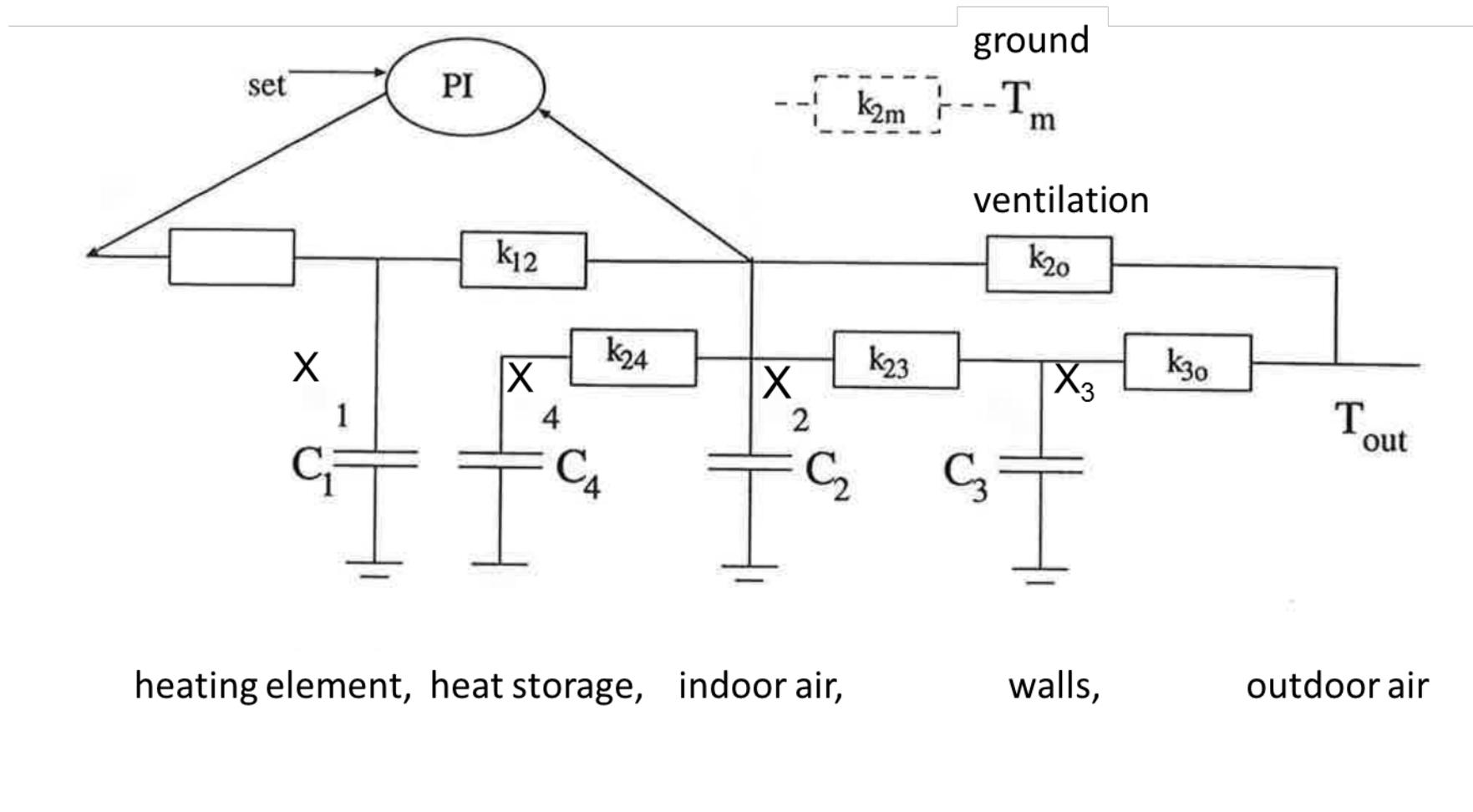


# Models of load responses for forecasting and optimisation to control actions and temperature variations based on measurements from substations, smart meters and weather + building data





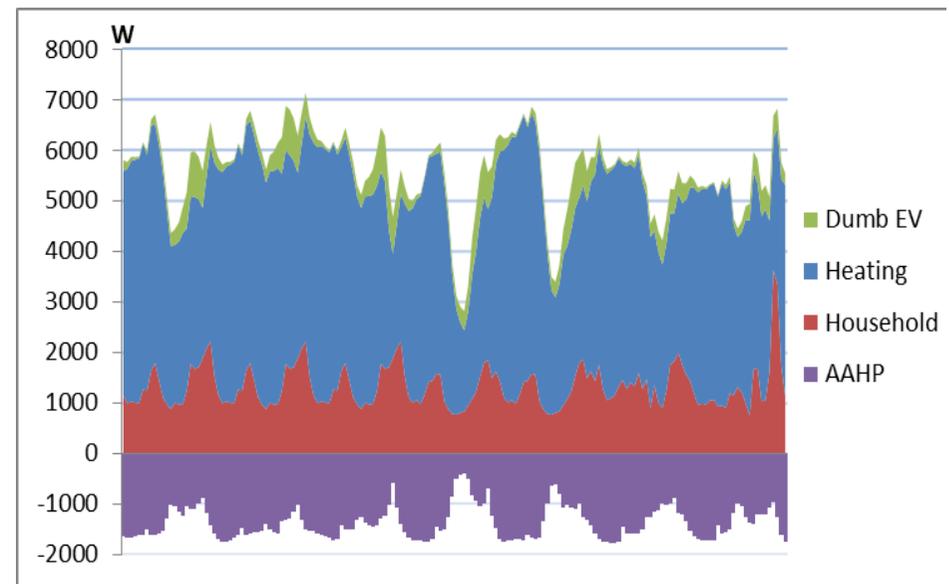
## An example of a simple physically based model



## Load profiles, especially for one or two family houses

Electricity use may be a sum of very differently behaving large part loads, some

- are very time and day but not temperature dependent (household electricity, DHW)
- are very temperature dependent (el.heating, heat pumps)
- affect or even diminish other loads (PV, solar heat, air heat pumps)
- are mobile or might be very flexible (EV)
- Part loads scale differently



- => we would need thousands of load profiles, none of which would be good

# Load profile building blocks

## THE MAIN IDEA

- Divide the load into feasible and more easily managed part loads
- Only the largest part load chunks, which also benefit the most from being treated separately
- For building blocks, models can be used instead of measurements
- The basic load, household electricity, should however be based on good and clean measurements
- Easy to add new building blocks

An example:

**Customer load =**

+ household electricity

+ DHW

- solar heat panel (=savings)

+ direct electric heating

- AAHP in electric heated house  
(=savings)

+ AAHP during the summer

+ EV without smart charging

+ sauna 3 times/week



## Load modelling using integrated data sets

- Focus on applying advanced computational methods (data mining, machine learning, evolutionary algorithms) using integrated datasets
  - smart meter data (AMR)
  - meteorological data, building information, socioeconomics etc.
- Combining the methods with other approaches (load profiling, building blocks, dynamic response models)
- Main objectives of modelling:
  - recognition of consumption type and heating solutions of customers from the data using clustering and classification
  - disaggregation, modelling and forecasting of controllable heating loads
  - spatiotemporal modelling of loads using geographic data sets
    - modelling of regional heating loads (DR potential)
    - regional analysis and mapping of future EV adoption potential based on traffic and socioeconomical statistics (250 m\*250 m)

# Load modelling using integrated data sets

