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Peak load reduction by optimized management of storage capacities

Preliminary results of a simulative study

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Background and Motivation

Need for Predicitve Control of Air-Source Heat Pumps



- Domestic Sector one of the major CO2-emittors
- Electrification yields potential to reduce GHG emissions
- Air-Source Heat Pump (ASHP) mostly installed type

- higher load on public electricity grid
 - \rightarrow potential grid extension needed
 - → grid extension needs time & ressources
 (suitable solutions might be too slow)



- Solutions to reduce the grid load needed
- Load shifting / Peak shaving possible solution
 → Predictive control can schedule the ASHP operation optimally

Number of sold Heat Pumps in Germany



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Background and Motivation

Predictive Control and Peak Shaving – Influence of different prediction horizons





Can the electrical peak loads of an ASHP reduced by optimal storage management?

Methodology





Example case



Electric Load of a SFH 45 with ASHP in South Germany

Germany, Ingolstadt (48.8° N, 11.4° E)



German Weather Service TRY 2015 "extreme cold Winter"



SFH45, CARNOT Toolbox (9250 kWh/a) EU-Tapping Profile (2150 kWh/a)



Air-Source Heat-Pump (ASHP) 8kW Heating Power



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Example case

Peak load reduction using a 500 Liter buffer storage



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- Optimally managed storage capacity can reduce the peak load drastically
- Combining different storage technologies (e.g. thermal building activation, buffer storage, battery) can extend the technical potential
- Long-term predictive control algorithms are needed to manage storage capacities optimally

Futher investigations:

- Compare with standard controller for an ASHP with Storage
- Combine different storages (e.g. Thermal building activation)
- Building standards / Heat demand profiles
- Weather Data of different locations



Thank you for the attention!

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