



Economic Dispatch and Unit Commitment of a Single Micro-Gas Turbine under CHP Operation

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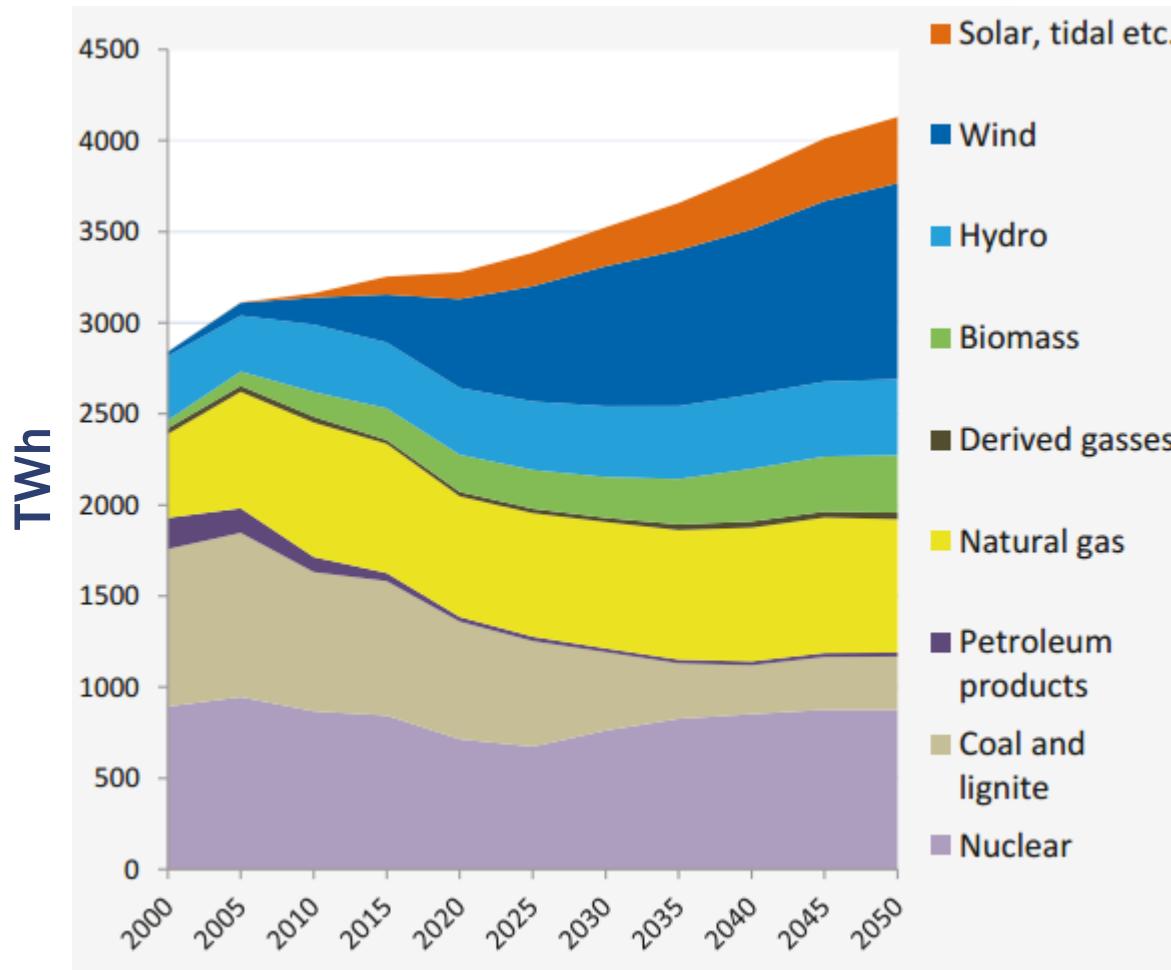
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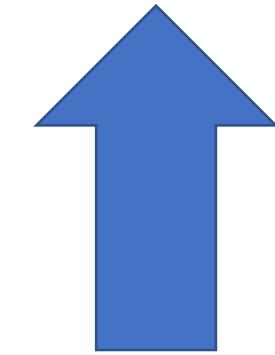
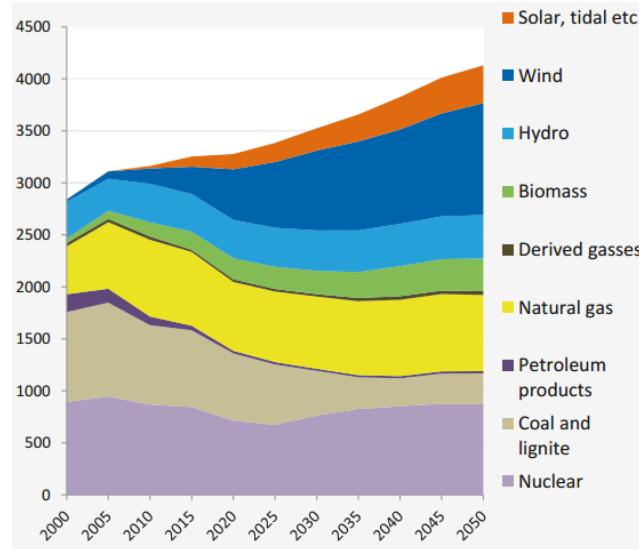
The Future Energy Landscape



EU electricity generation trends

(taken from “EU Energy, Transmission, and GHG Emissions: Trends to 2050 – Reference Scenario 2013”)

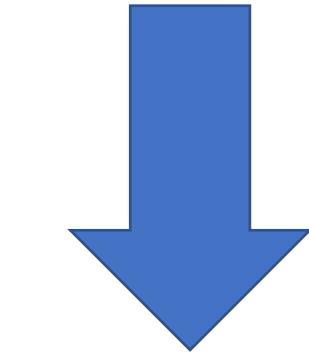
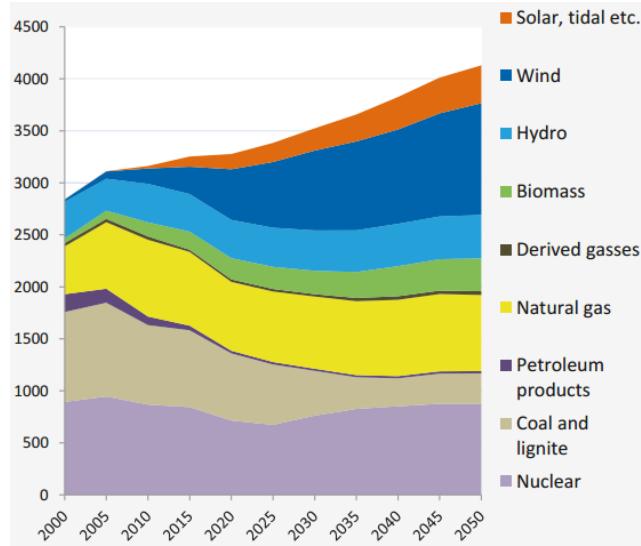
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Increasing integration
Into the grid!

...intermittent and not
on demand!

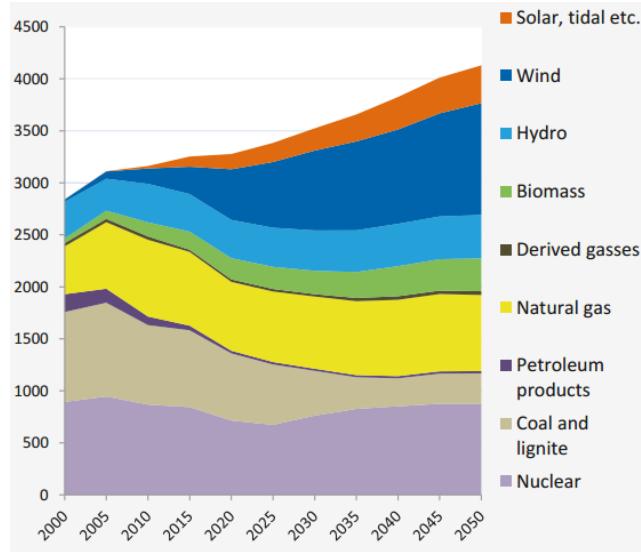
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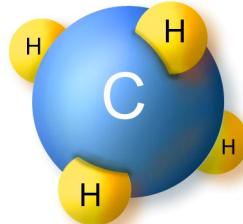
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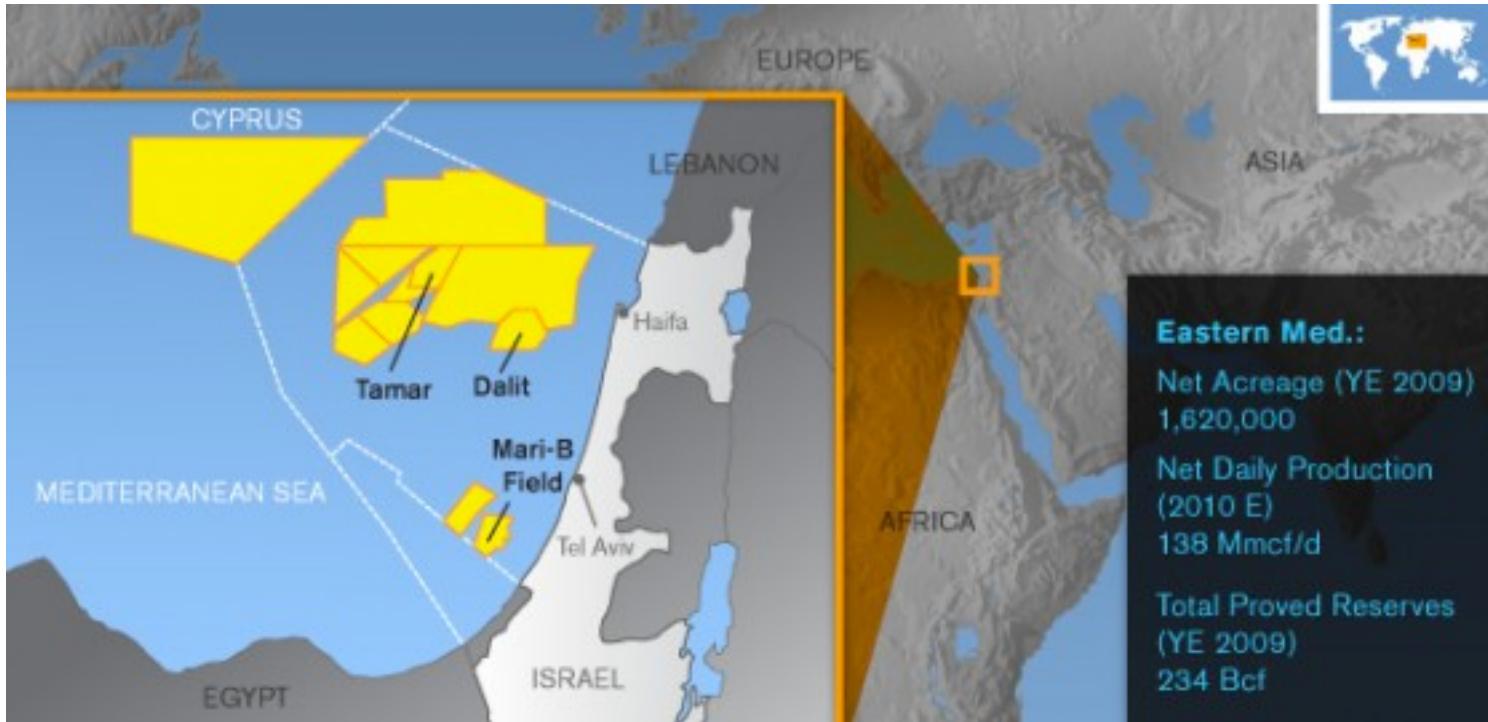
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Energy Independence in Israel



source: <https://www.greenprophet.com/2012/02/israel-lebanon-natural-gas-discovery/>

Leviathan - 22 trillion cubic feet
Tamar – 10.8 trillion cubic feet
Tanin - 3 trillion cubic feet

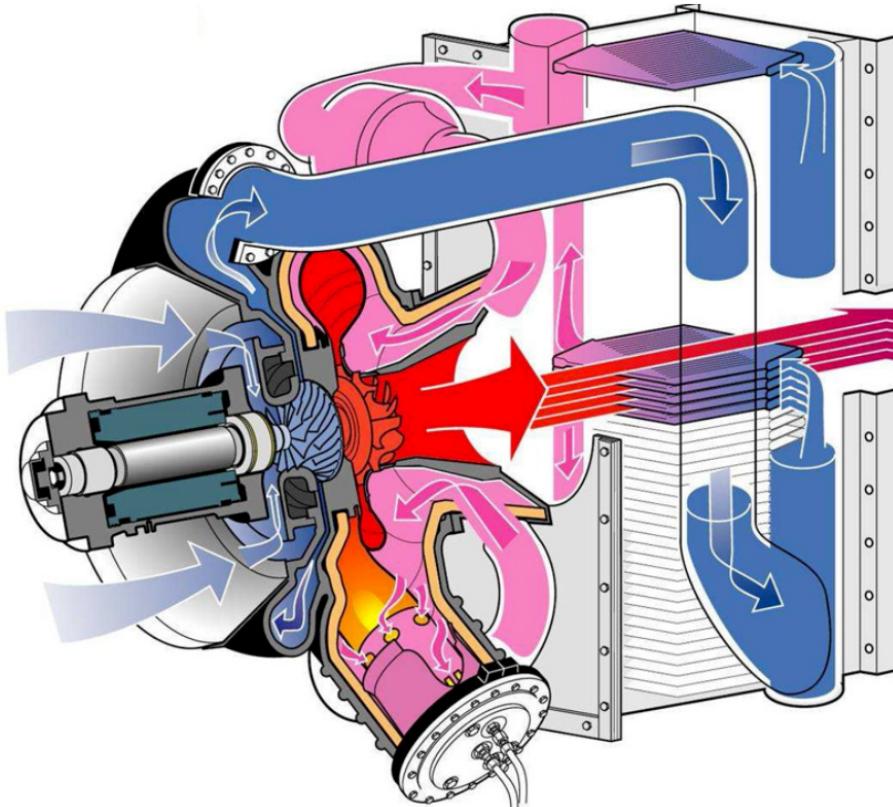
**Natural Gas could transform
Israel's energy market!**

Natural Gas and the Smart Grid



Natural gas is the *ideal* near-term solution to bridge the gap between traditional energy generation and renewables

Micro-Gas Turbines for CHP



- runs on natural gas
- high power-to-weight ratio
- small terrain footprint
- reliable (few moving parts)
- quiet
- **agile and flexible – on-demand!**

Electricity and Heating/Cooling Generation

MGT Integration into the Grid



Meet the consumer power demand
in an economically optimal way

The Economic Dispatch Problem

Economic Dispatch is a short-term scheduling for the output of a number of electricity generation facilities required to **meet system demand** at the **lowest cost** subject to **operational constraints**

$$\min \quad J(P, H)$$

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$$s.t. \quad P = D_P$$

Power Balance

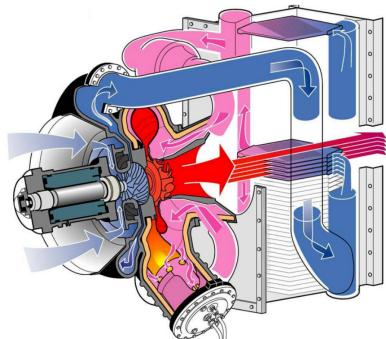
$$H = D_H$$

operational constraints

D_P Electricity Demand

D_H Heat Demand

The Economic Dispatch Problem



What is the cost of operating an MGT?

- relation of fuel consumption to heat and power output
- start-up and shut-down costs
- time constants for power delivery



Electricity and Heat Tariffs

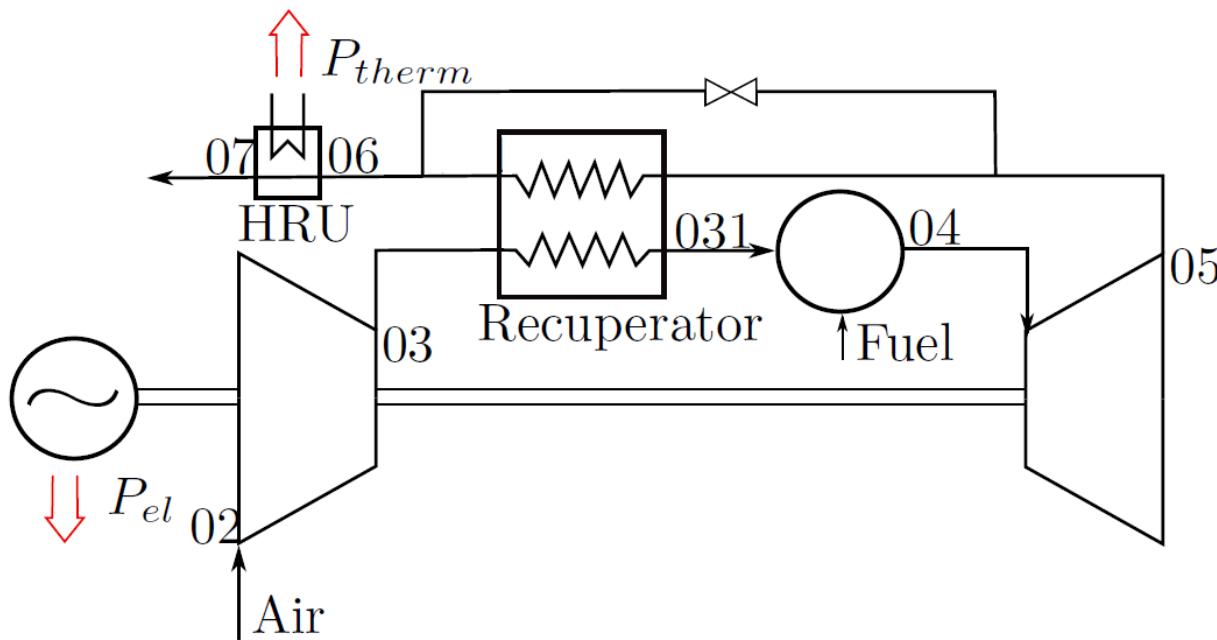
- how much does electricity cost
- electricity market for buying and selling power



Consumer Needs

- what are the power and heat demand profiles for consumers

Recuperated Gas Turbine Cycle Diagram



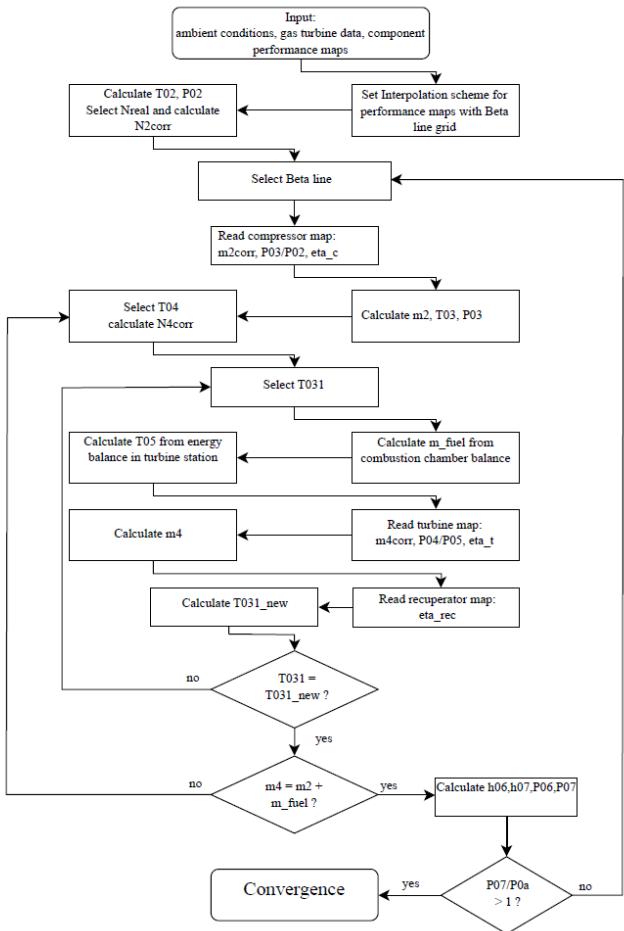
02 – 03 : **Compressor** – flow pressure rises.

03 – 031 : **Recuperator** – the temperature of the flow is further increased in the recuperator by energy recovering.

031 – 04 : **Combustor** – energy addition.

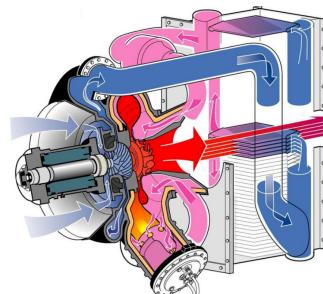
04 – 05 : **Turbine** – the thermal energy is converted into mechanical energy that is provided to compressor and the electrical power generator.

Recuperated MGT Simulation Model



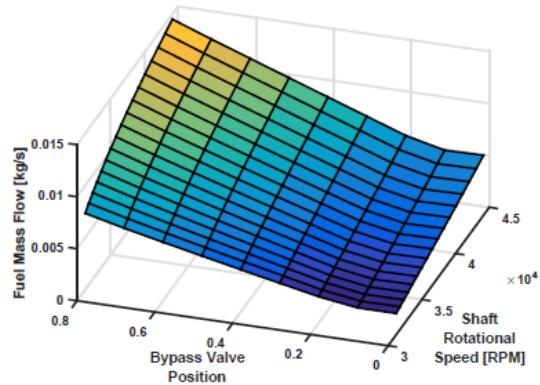
- NASA DYNGEN algorithm
- generates **steady-state maps**

Shaft Speed
Bypass Valve

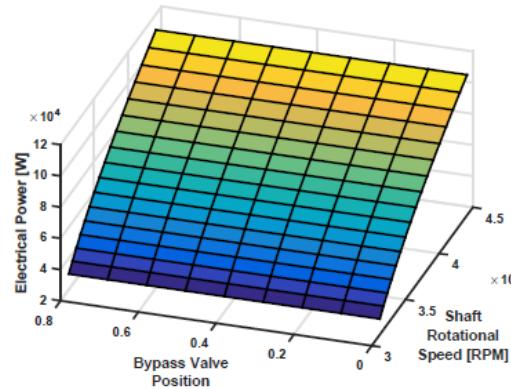


mass flow
pressure ratio
efficiency

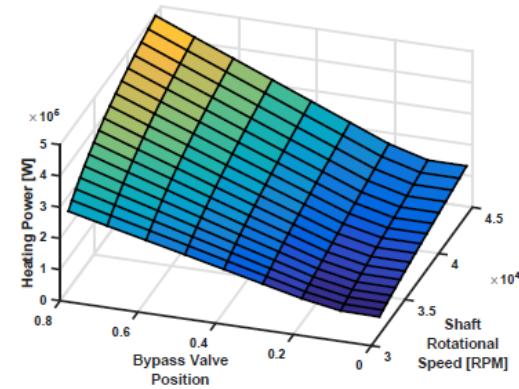
MGT Modeling



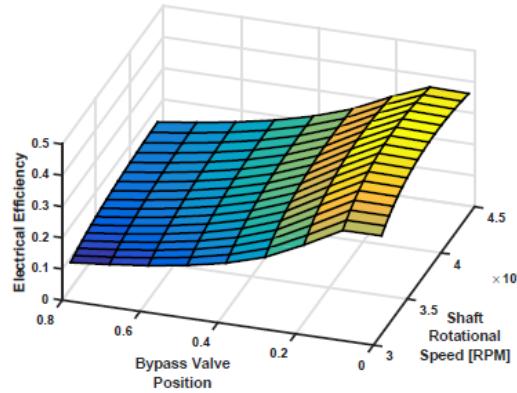
(a) Fuel Mass Flow.



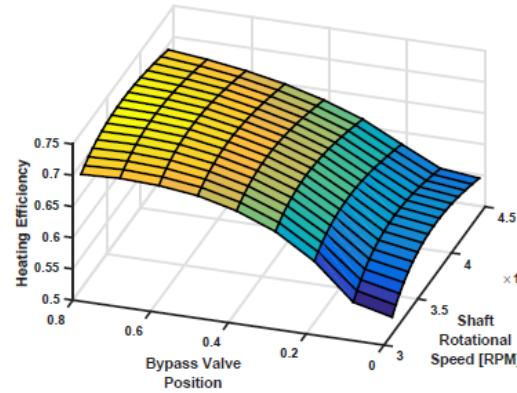
(b) Electricity Output.



(c) Heat output.



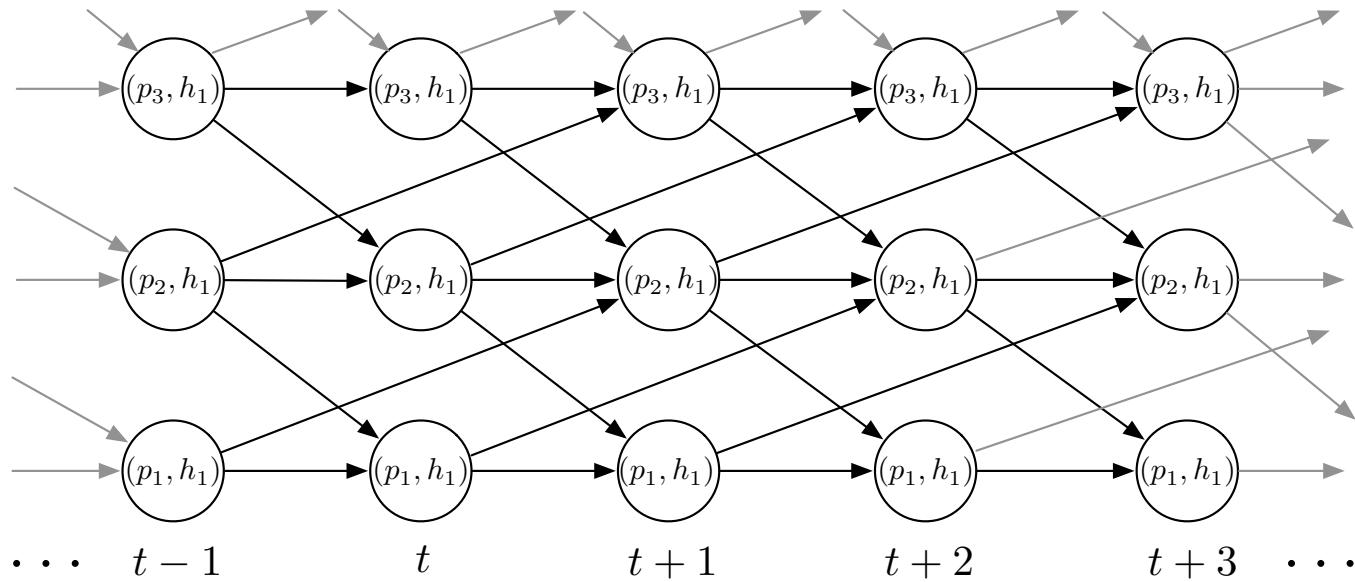
(d) Electrical Efficiency.



(e) Heat Efficiency.

Towards an Optimization Model

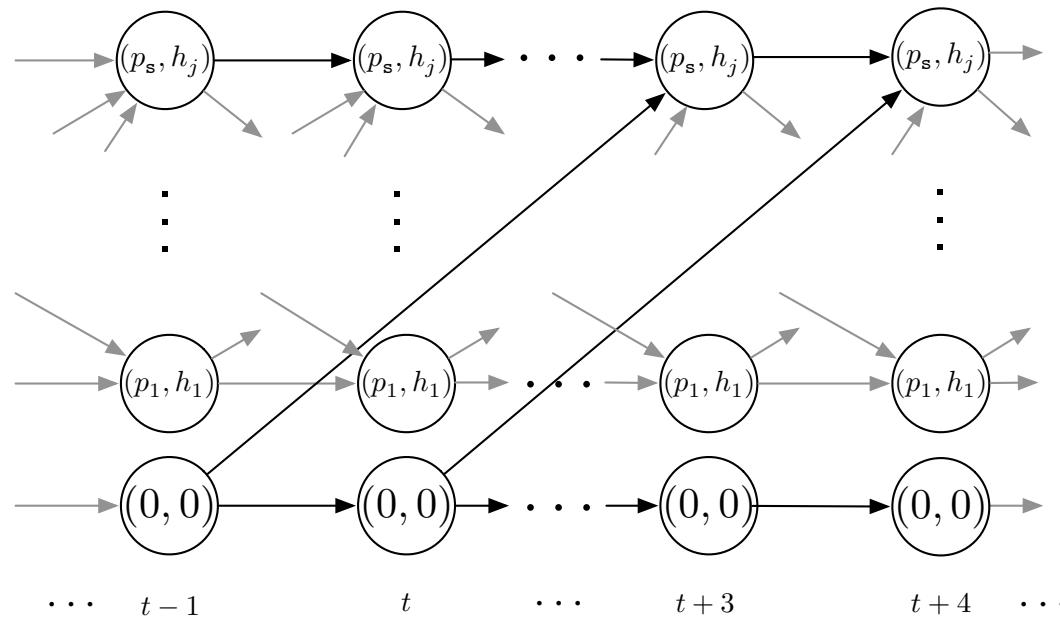
Operational Constraints as discretized state-transition graph



- system “state” is shaft speed and bypass valve
- arrows indicate allowable transitions to new steady-states, and their time

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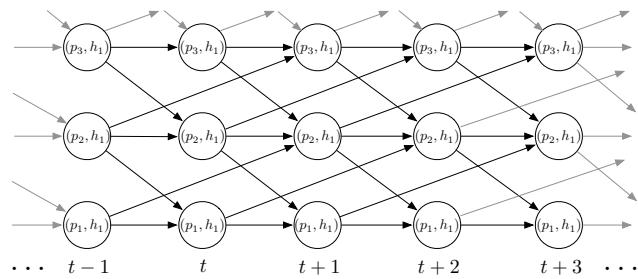
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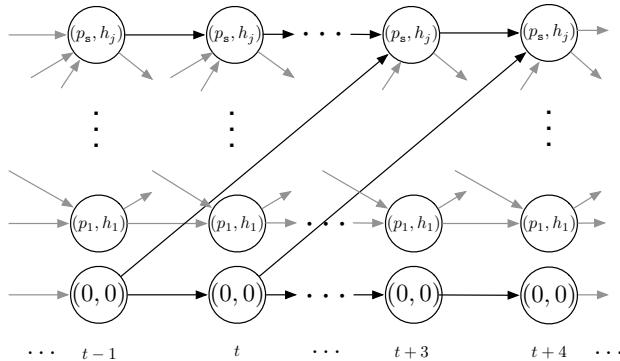
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MGT Dynamics can be represented by graphs

$$x_{GT}(t + c\Delta T) = f_{GT}(x_{GT}(t), u_{GT}(t))$$



Costs can be assigned to each edge

- relates to fuel price
- maintenance cost
- utility commitment and consumer demand

Towards an Optimization Model

$$\min_{x_{GT}, u_{GT}, x_{UT}^P, x_{UT}^H} J(x_{GT}, u_{GT}, x_{UT}^P, x_{UT}^H)$$

subject to

(MGT Dynamics) $x_{GT}(t + c\Delta T) = f_{GT}(x_{GT}(t), u_{GT}(t)),$

(Power Balance) $P_{GT}(x_{GT}(t)) + (x_{UT}^P(t) - P(t)) = 0,$

(Heat Balance) $H_{GT}(x_{GT}(t)) + (x_{UT}^H(t) - H(t)) = 0,$

$$x_{GT}(t) \in \{(p_i(t), h_j(t)), i = 1, \dots, s, j = 1, \dots, v\}$$

$$x_{UT}^P(t) \geq 0, x_{UT}^H(t) \geq 0, t = 1, \dots, T.$$

Optimization over a *directed acyclic graph*

Shortest Path Algorithm – complexity is linear in #nodes+edges

Case Studies



Full Service Restaurant

commercial medium electricity tariff

$511m^2$

Demand and Tariff Data

US DOE 2004



Large Hotel

commercial tall electricity tariff

$11,345m^2$



Small Hotel

commercial medium electricity tariff

$4,013m^2$

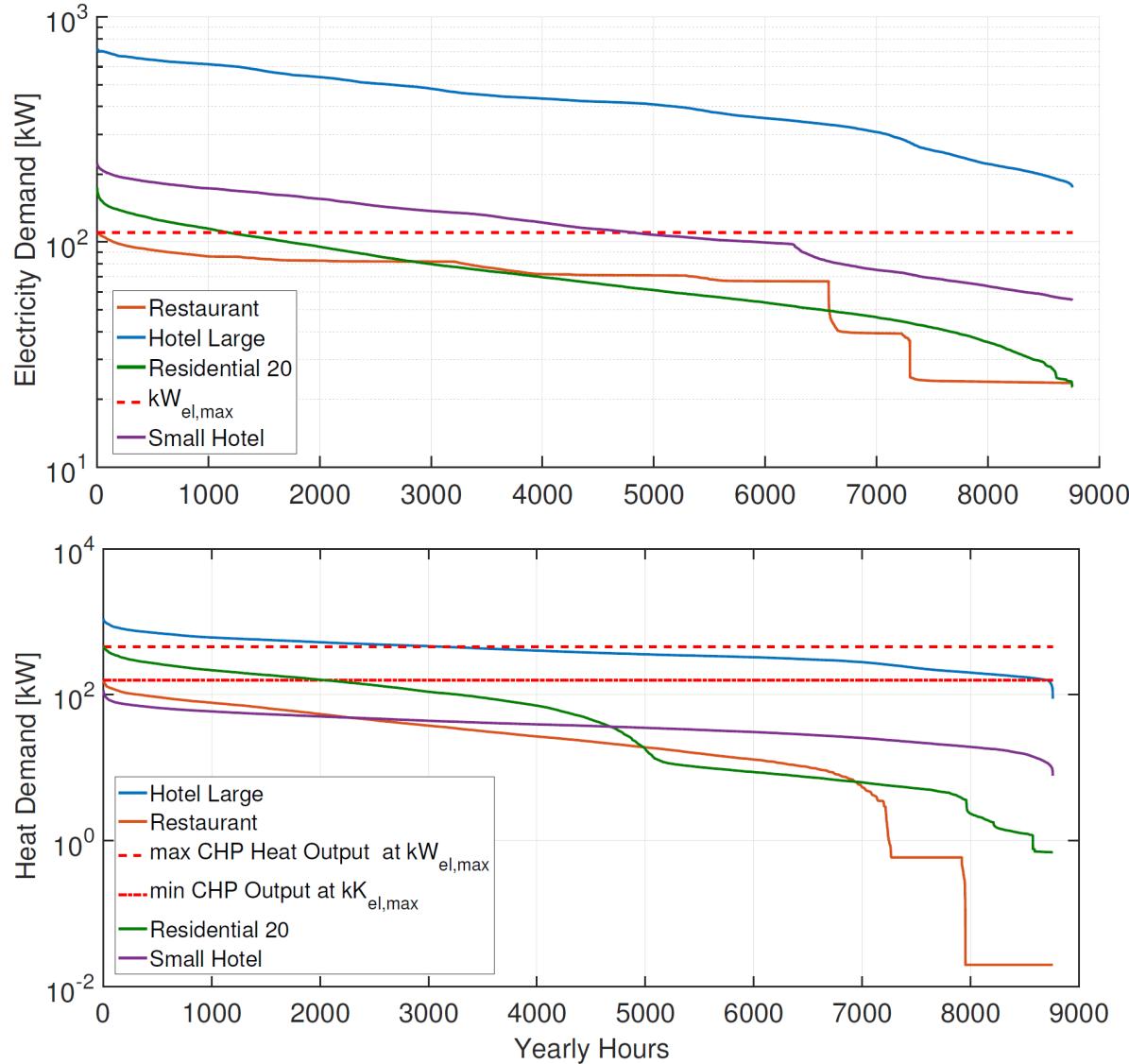


Residential Building

residential electricity tariff

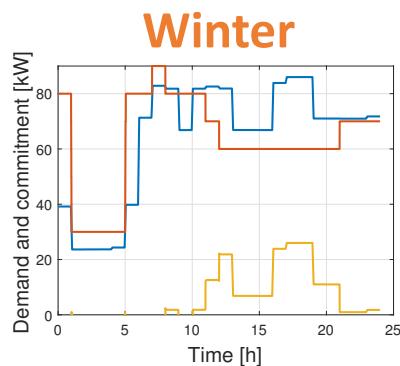
neighborhood of 20 apartment buildings

Case Studies

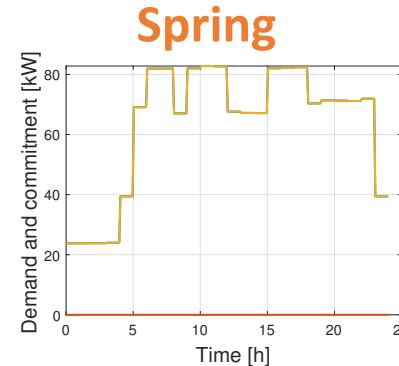


Full Service Restaraunt

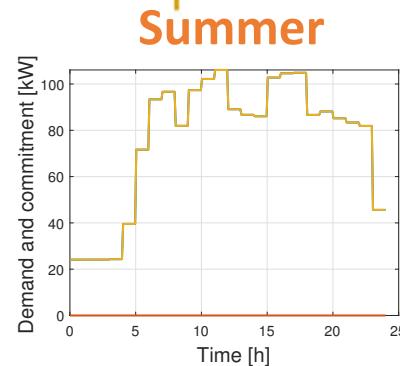
Power



(a) Power Demand: Reference Winter Day

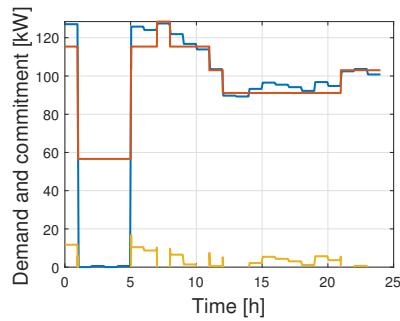


(b) Power Demand: Reference Spring Day

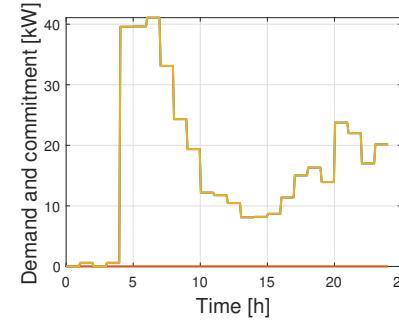


(c) Power Demand: Reference Summer Day

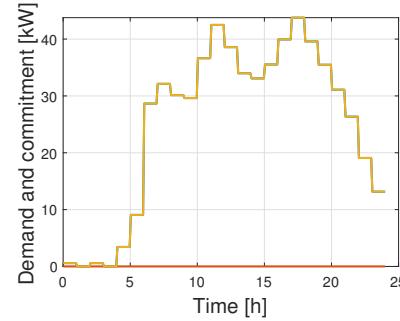
Heat



(d) Heat Demand: Reference Winter Day



(e) Heat Demand: Reference Spring Day



(f) Heat Demand: Reference Summer Day

— Demand — CHP commitment — Utility commitment

Heat Driven Operation

During winter, electricity is a byproduct of meeting the heat demand.

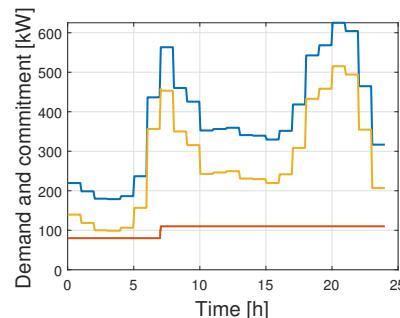
Maintenance Driven Operation

In Summer and Spring, startup and shutdown costs are too high to operate the MGT.

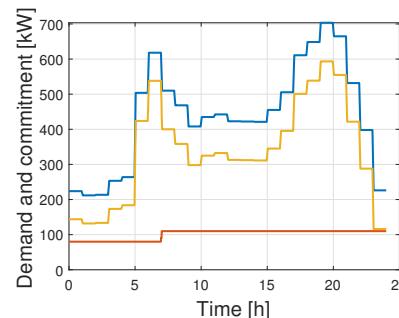
Large Hotel

Power

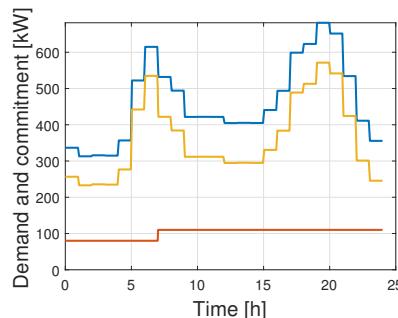
Winter



Spring

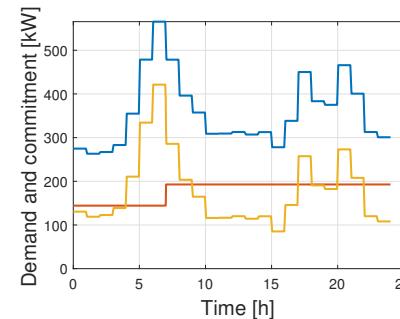
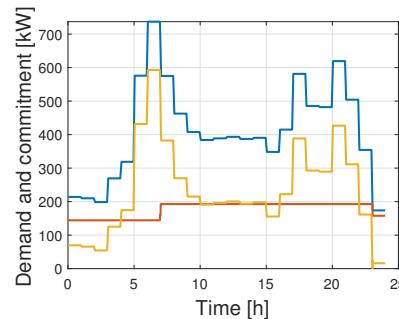
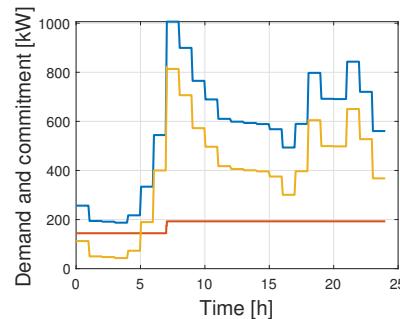


Summer



(a) Power Demand: Reference Winter Day (b) Power Demand: Reference Spring Day (c) Power Demand: Reference Summer Day

Heat



(d) Heat Demand: Reference Winter Day

(e) Heat Demand: Reference Spring Day

(f) Heat Demand: Reference Summer Day

— Demand

— CHP commitment

— Utility commitment

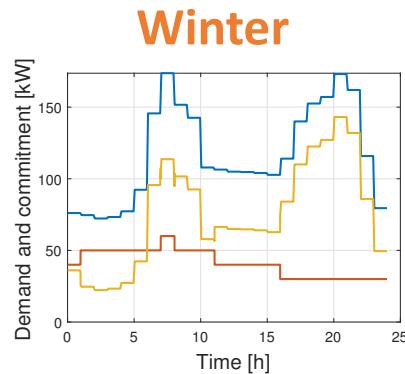
Electricity Driven Operation

Power demand of the large hotel exceeds the maximum capacity of the MGT.

Optimal commitment requires contributions from both MGT and Utility

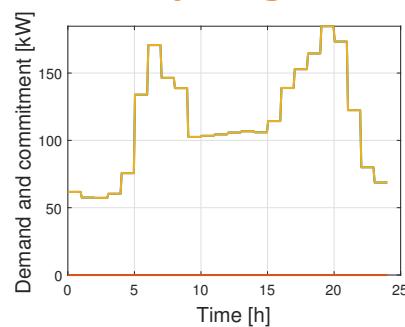
Small Hotel

Power



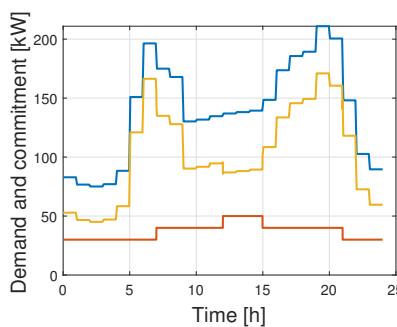
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Spring



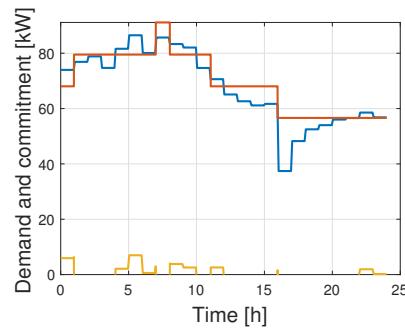
(b) Power Demand: Reference Spring Day

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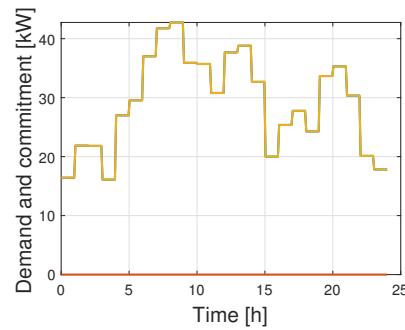


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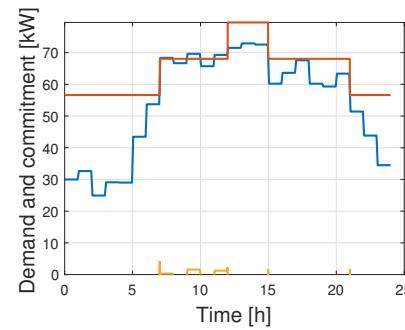
Heat



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Heat Driven Operation

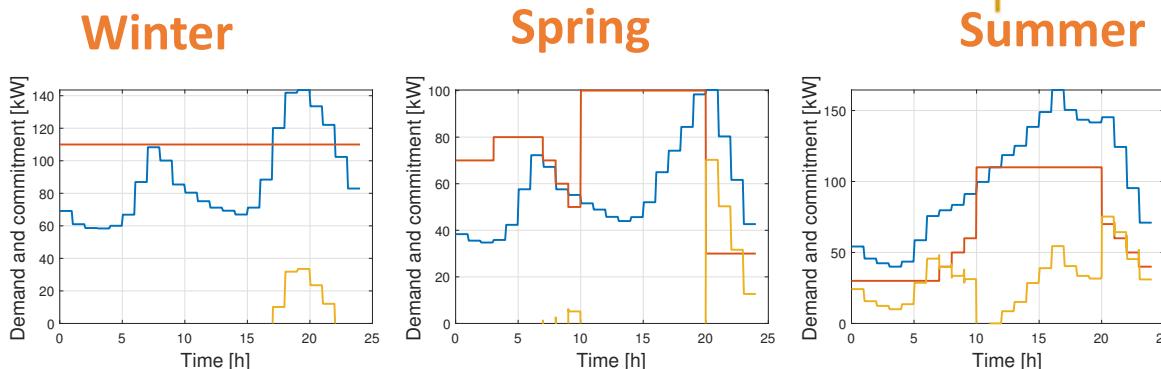
MGT operates at low power commitment levels, while heat demand is supplied at a competitive unit efficiency

Maintenance Driven Operation

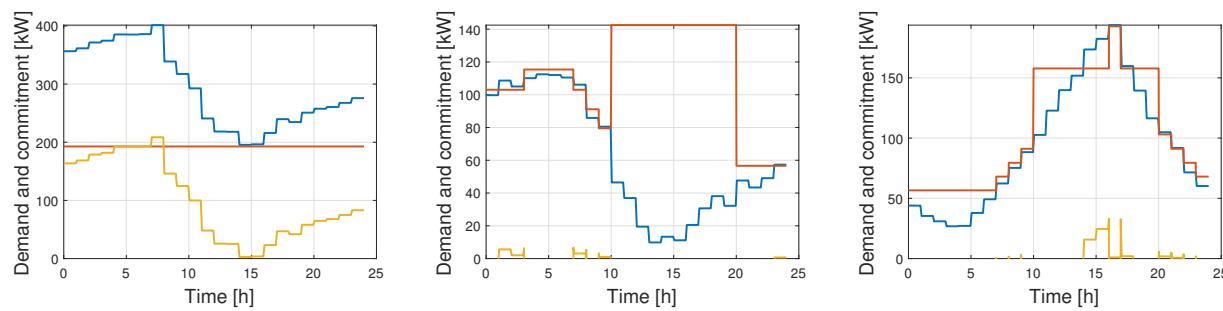
During off-peak hours in summer, the MGT is operated to avoid additional startup/shutdown costs

Residential Community

Power



Heat



— Demand — CHP commitment — Utility commitment

Revenue Driven Operation

In intermediate tariff hours, the MGT operates above the demand, selling electricity back to the grid

Flexible Operations

During off-peak hours, the MGT either operates **electricity, heat, or maintenance** driven, depending on situation

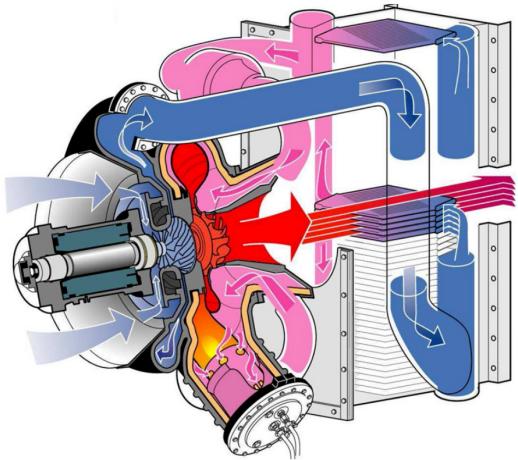
Electricity Driven: In case of the large hotel, when power and heat demand exceed the MGT capability permanently.

Heat Driven: Small hotel and restaurant due to more competitive energy generation with respect to the demand profiles.

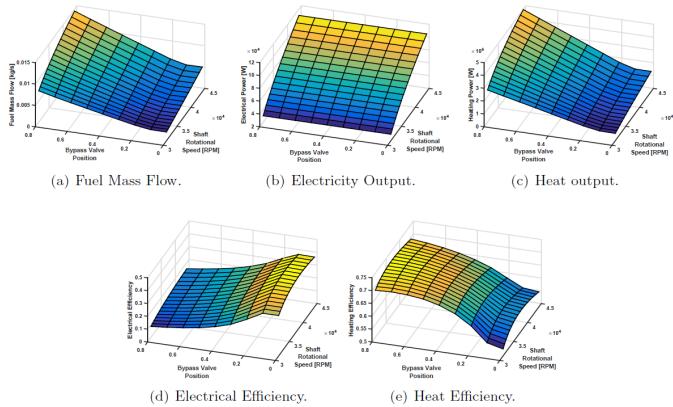
Maintenance Driven: In off-peak hours of the small hotel and restaurant where utility prices are low to avoid cycle costs.

Revenue Driven: Operation in residential neighbourhood aims to generate excess electricity that can be sold to the grid.

Conclusions



Micro-Gas Turbines using natural gas is an economically viable solution towards a distributed power generation economy

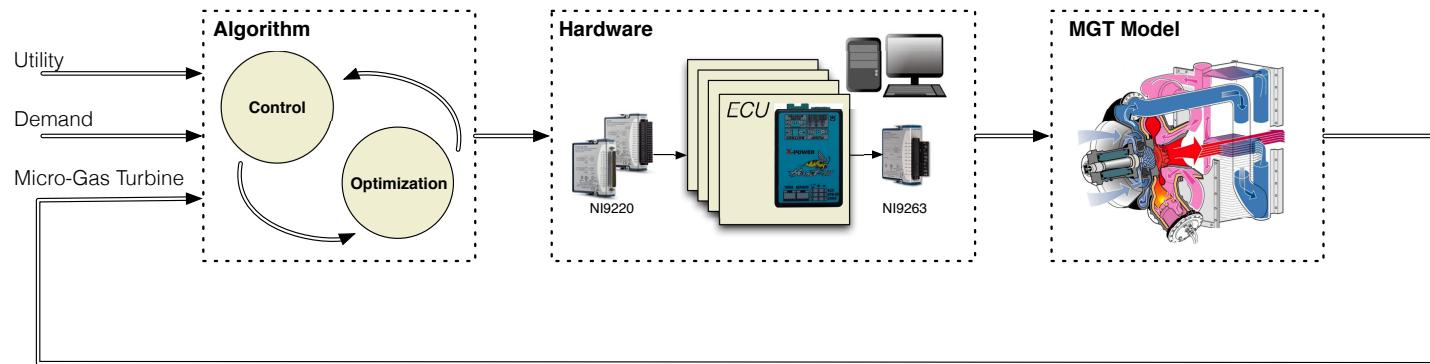


Detailed modeling required to gain a better understanding of the economic operational modes of the MGT

Future Work

a dynamic real-time algorithm for integration of the MGT into the smart-grid

operation of MGT “banks” for distributed economic dispatch



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Questions?