

# Can heating and cooling really be flexible enough to have an impact on the energy infrastructure?



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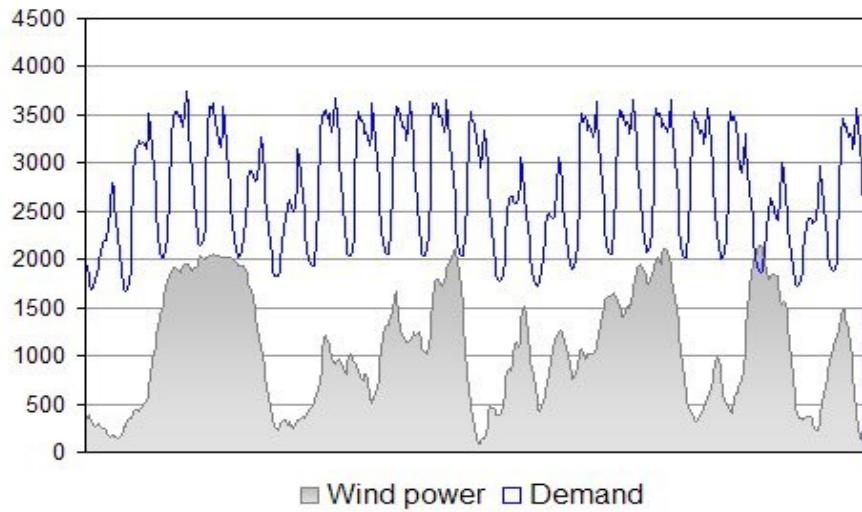
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# The Danish Wind Power Case

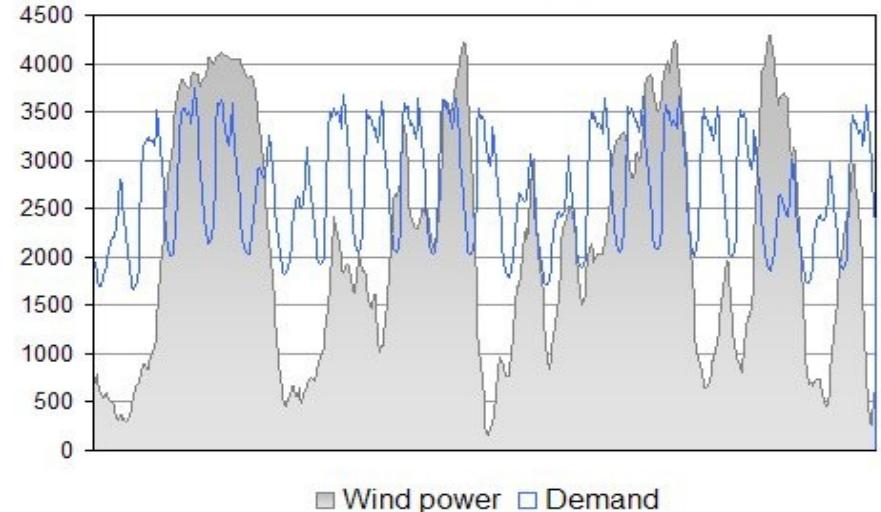
*.... balancing of the power system*

25 % wind energy (West Denmark January 2008)



In 2008 wind power did cover the entire demand of electricity in 200 hours (West DK)

50 % wind energy



**In the first half of 2017 more than 44 pct of electricity load was covered by wind power.**

For several days the wind power production was more than 100 pct of the power load.

Periods with more than 140 pct of the power load covered by wind power are seen

# Challenges



The landing page for the 'Preparatory study on Smart Appliances' features a large image of a smartphone displaying a kitchen interior with various smart appliances. The title 'Preparatory study on Smart Appliances' is centered above a green navigation bar. The navigation bar includes links for Welcome, Project summary, Planning & Meetings, Documents, Register for website, Register for meeting, and Contact & Consortium. Below the navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail shows 'Home > Project summary'. The European Commission logo is present, along with text indicating the study was performed for them.

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Preparatory study on  
Smart Appliances

European Commission

Ecodesign Preparatory Study  
performed for the  
European Commission

## Project Summary

The Ecodesign Preparatory Study on Smart Appliances (Lot 33) has analysed the technical, economic, market and societal aspects with a view to a broad introduction of smart appliances and to develop adequate policy approaches supporting such uptake.

The study deals with Task 1 to 7 of the Methodology for Energy related products (MEErP) as follows:

- Scope, standards and legislation (Task 1, Chapter 1);
- Market analysis (Task 2, Chapter 2);
- User analysis (Task 3, Chapter 3);
- Technical analysis (Task 4, Chapter 4);
- Definition of Base Cases (Task 5, Chapter 5);
- Design options (Task 6, Chapter 6);
- Policy and Scenario analysis (Task 7, Chapter 7).

An executive summary of the project results can be downloaded here.

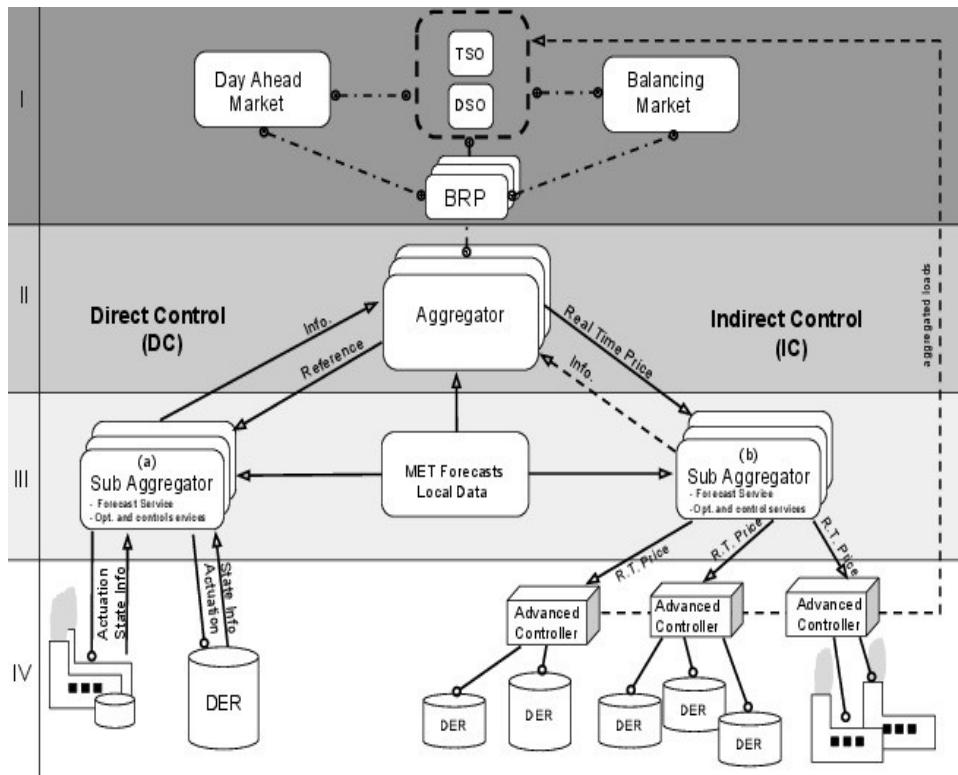
Throughout the study, new relevant aspects have come up which will be covered in a second phase of the Preparatory Study:

- Chargers for electric cars: technical potential and other relevant issues in the context of demand response.
- The modelling done in the framework of MEErP Task 6 and 7 will be updated with PRIMES data that recently became available, and with the EEA-countries.
- The development and assessment of policy options that were identified in the study will be further elaborated and deepened.

# Existing Markets - Challenges

- Dynamics
- Stochasticity
- Nonlinearities
- Many power related services (voltage, frequency, balancing, spinning reserve, congestion, ...)
- Speed / problem size
- Characterization of flexibility
- Requirements on user installations

# Smart-Energy OS



In New Wiley Book: Control of Electric Loads  
in Future Electric Energy Systems, 2015

## Day Ahead:

Stoch. Programming based on eg. Scenarios

Cost: Related to the market (one or two levels)

## Direct Control:

Actuator: Power

Two-way communication

Models for DERs are needed

Constraints for the DERs (calls for state est.)

Contracts are complicated

## Indirect Control:

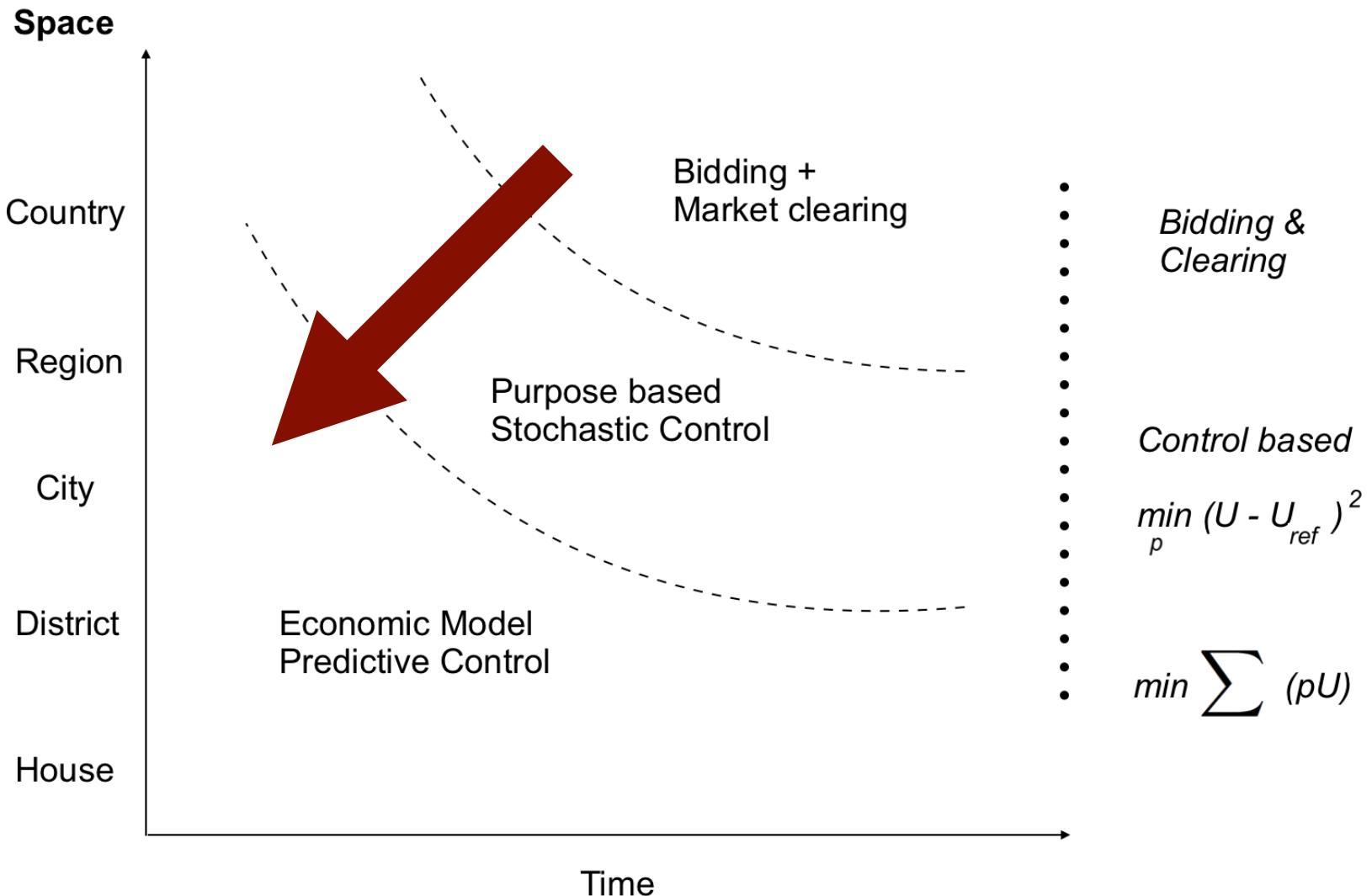
Actuator: Price

Cost: E-MPC at **low (DER) level**, One-way communication

Models for DERs are not needed

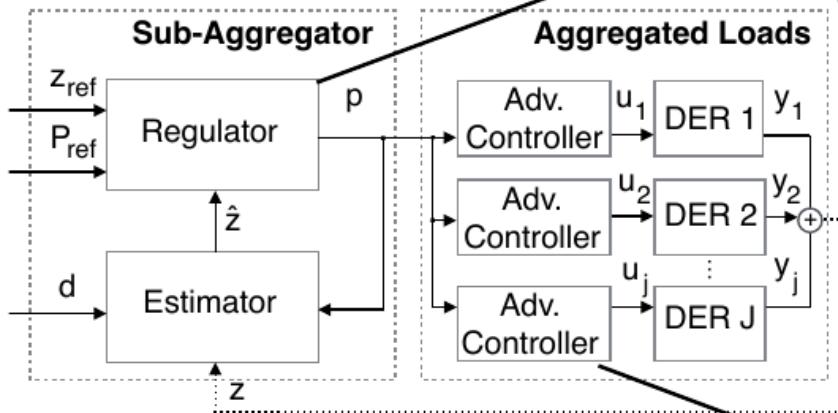
Simple 'contracts'

# The ‘market’ for future Smart Grids



# Proposed methodology

## Control-based methodology



$$\begin{aligned} \min_p \quad & E\left[\sum_{k=0}^N w_{j,k} \|\hat{z}_k - z_{ref,k}\| + \mu \|p_k - p_{ref,k}\|\right] \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \hat{z}_{k+1} = f(p_k) \end{aligned}$$

We adopt a control-based approach where the **price** becomes the driver to **manipulate** the behaviour of a certain pool flexible prosumers.

$$\begin{aligned} \min_u \quad & E\left[\sum_{k=0}^N \sum_{j=1}^J \phi_j(x_{j,k}, u_{j,k}, p_k)\right] \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + Ed_k, \\ & y_k = Cx_k, \\ & y_k^{min} \leq y_k \leq y_k^{max}, \\ & u_k^{min} \leq u_k \leq u_k^{max} \end{aligned}$$



# SE-OS Characteristics

- ‘Bidding – clearing – activation’ at higher levels
- Control principles at higher spatial/temporal resolutions
- Facilitates energy systems integration (power, gas, thermal, ...)
- Nested sequence of systems – systems of systems
- Hierarchy of optimization (or control) problems
- Allow for new players (specialized aggregators)
- Simple setup for the communication and contracts
- Provides a solution for all ancillary services
- Harvest max. flexibility at all levels



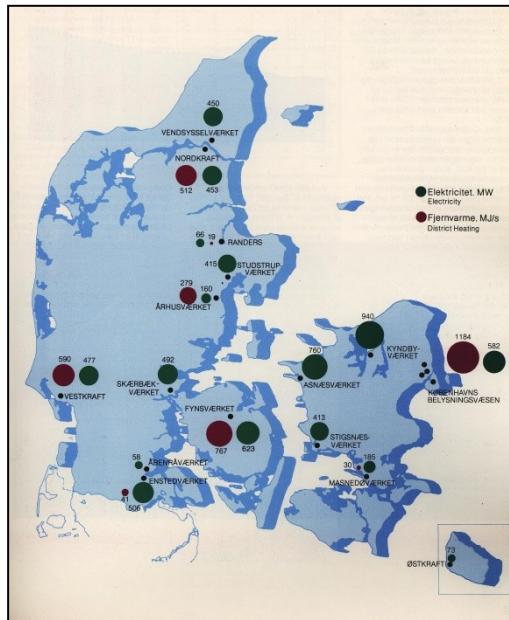
## Case study No. 1

# Flexibility in CHP Systems



# From large central plants to Combined Heat and Power (CHP) production

1980

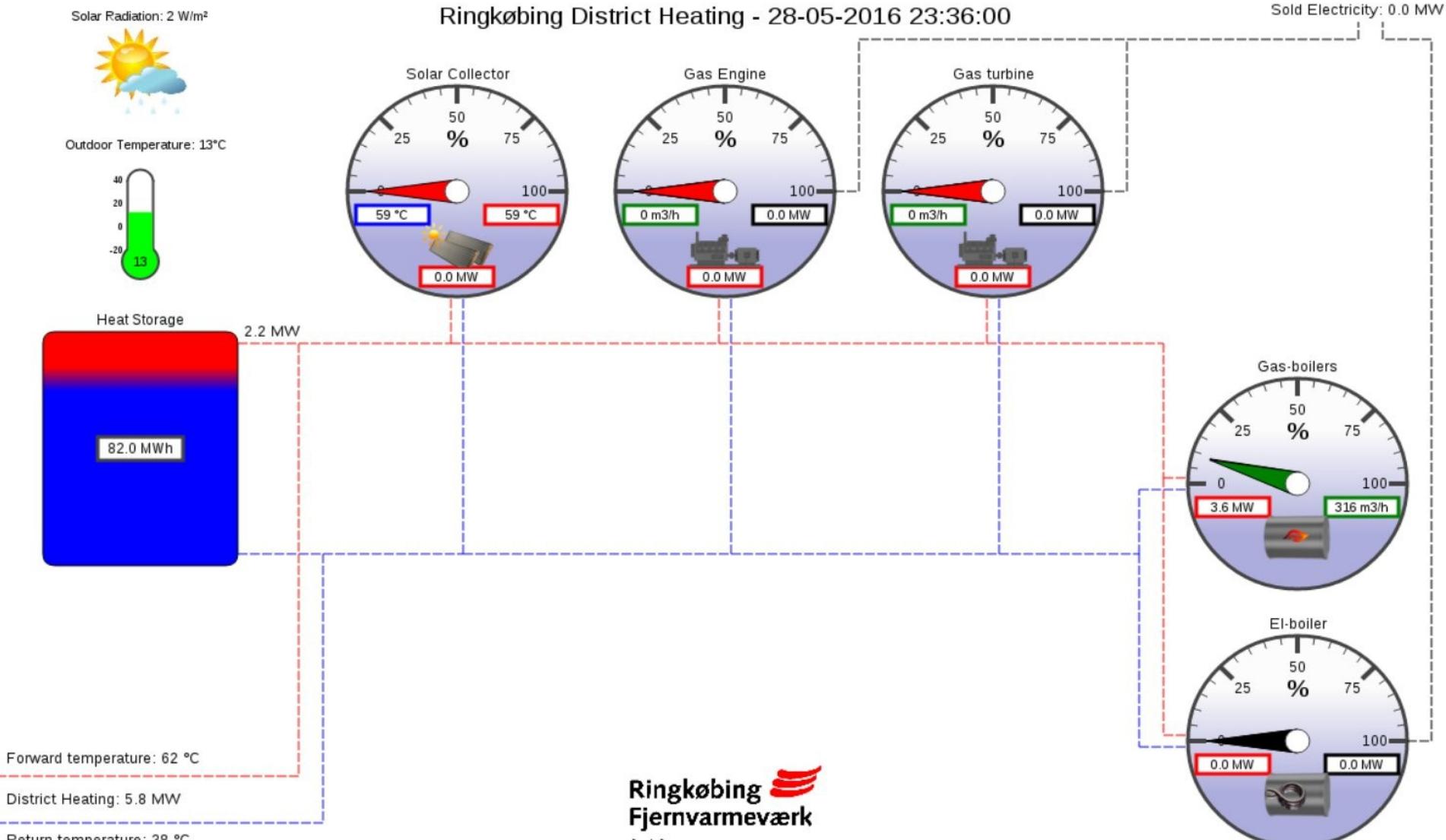


Today



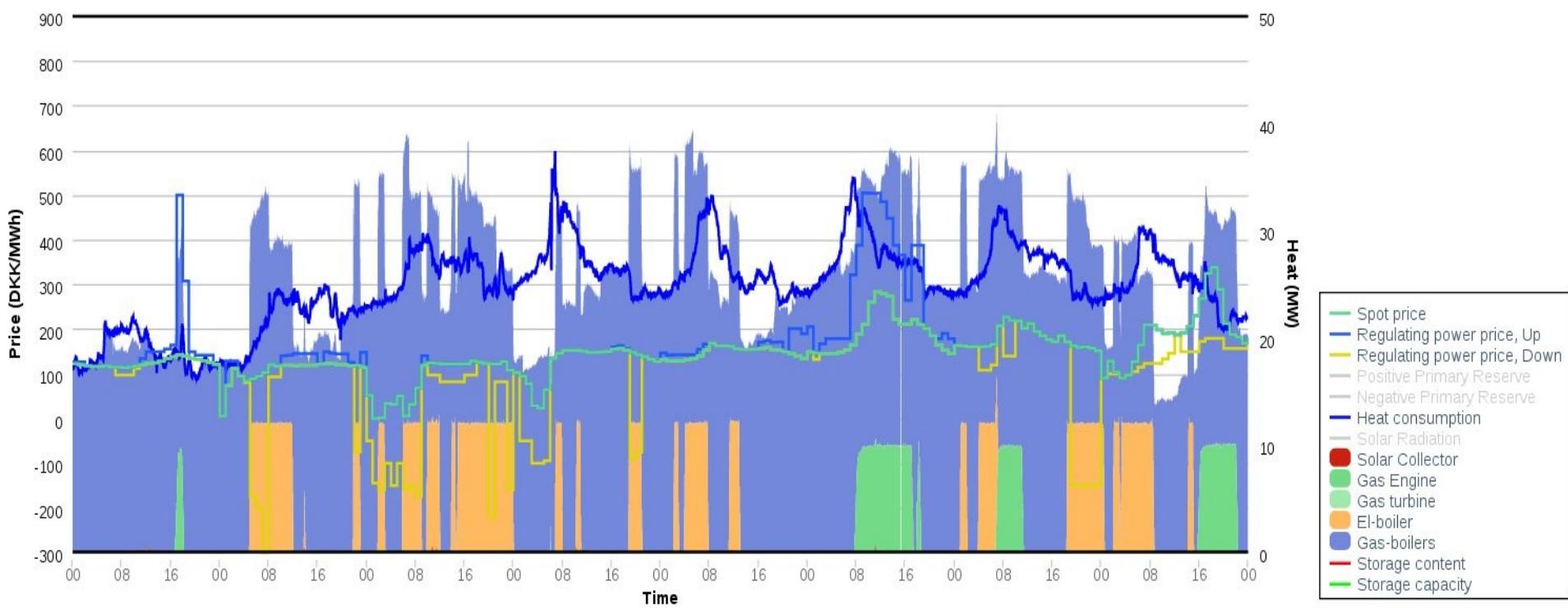
*From a few big power plants to many small **combined heat and power** plants – however some still based fossil f.*

# Flexibility – Ringkøbing CHP

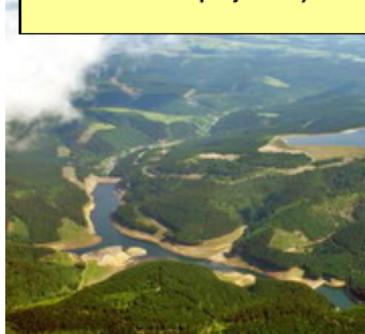


# Flexibility – Ringkøbing CHP

Ringkøbing District Heating, Friday, 2016-01-01 to Friday, 2016-01-08



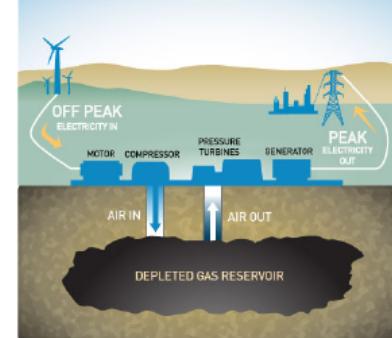
**Pump Hydro Storage**  
100 €/kWh  
(Source: Goldisthal Pumped Storage Station, Germany, [www.store-project.eu](http://www.store-project.eu))



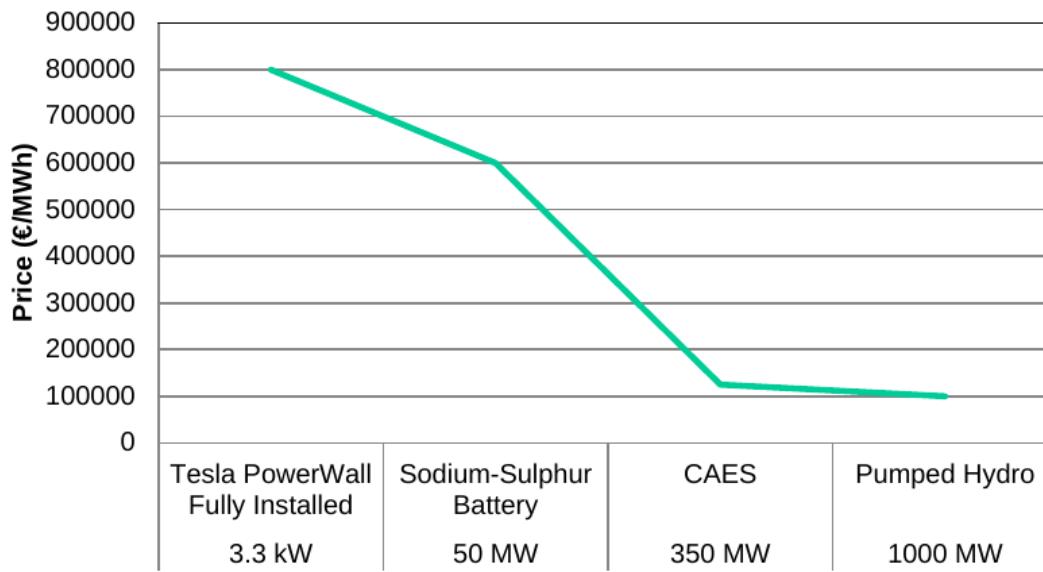
# Electricity Storage

**Compressed Air Energy Storage**  
125 €/kWh  
(Source:  
<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0196890409000429>)

Compressed Air Energy Storage



## Electricity Storage: Price and Size



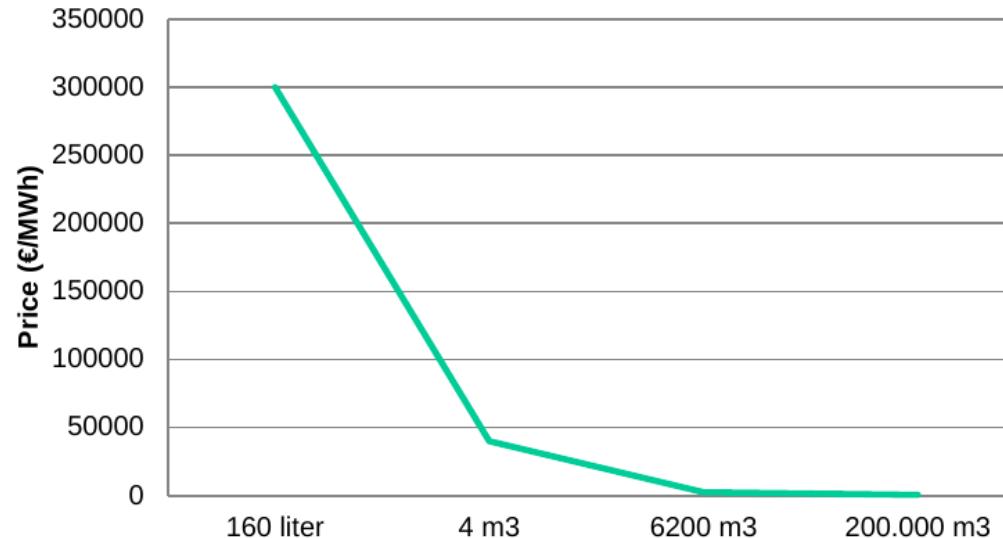
**Sodium-Sulphur Battery**  
600 €/kWh  
(Source: Table 4:  
<http://large.stanford.edu/courses/2012/ph240/doshay1/docs/EPRI.pdf>)

**0.16 m<sup>3</sup> Thermal Storage**  
**300.000 €/MWh**  
 (Private house: 160 liter  
 for 15000 DKK)



# Thermal Storage

**6200 m<sup>3</sup> Thermal Storage**  
**2500 €/MWh**  
 (Skagen: 6200 m<sup>3</sup>  
 for 5.4 mio. DKK)



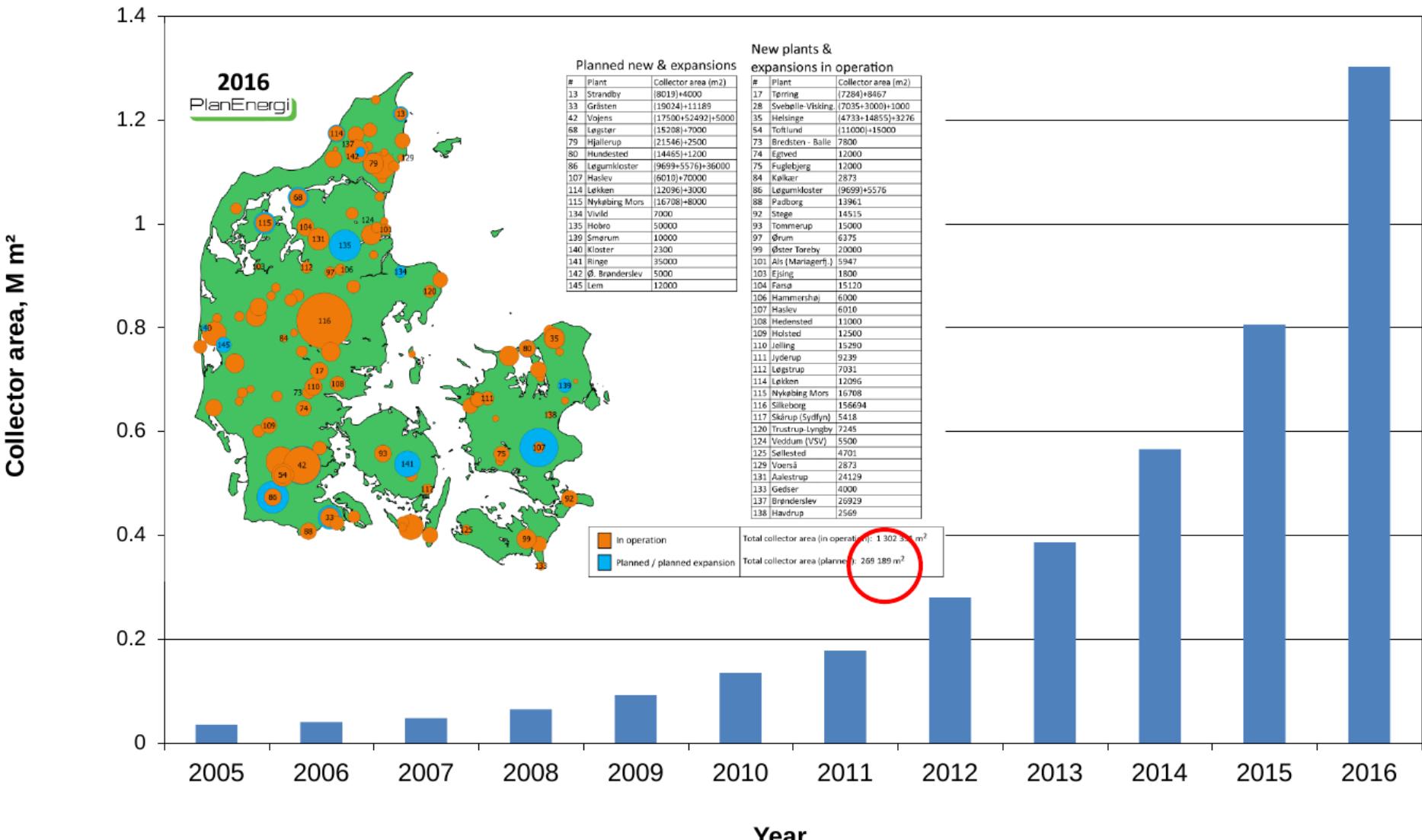
**4 m<sup>3</sup> Thermal Storage**  
**40,000 €/MWh**  
 (Private outdoor: 4000 m<sup>3</sup>  
 for 50,000 DKK)



**200,000 m<sup>3</sup> Thermal Storage**  
**500 €/MWh**  
 (Vojens: 200,000 m<sup>3</sup>  
 for 30 mio. DKK)



# Solar heating plants in Denmark

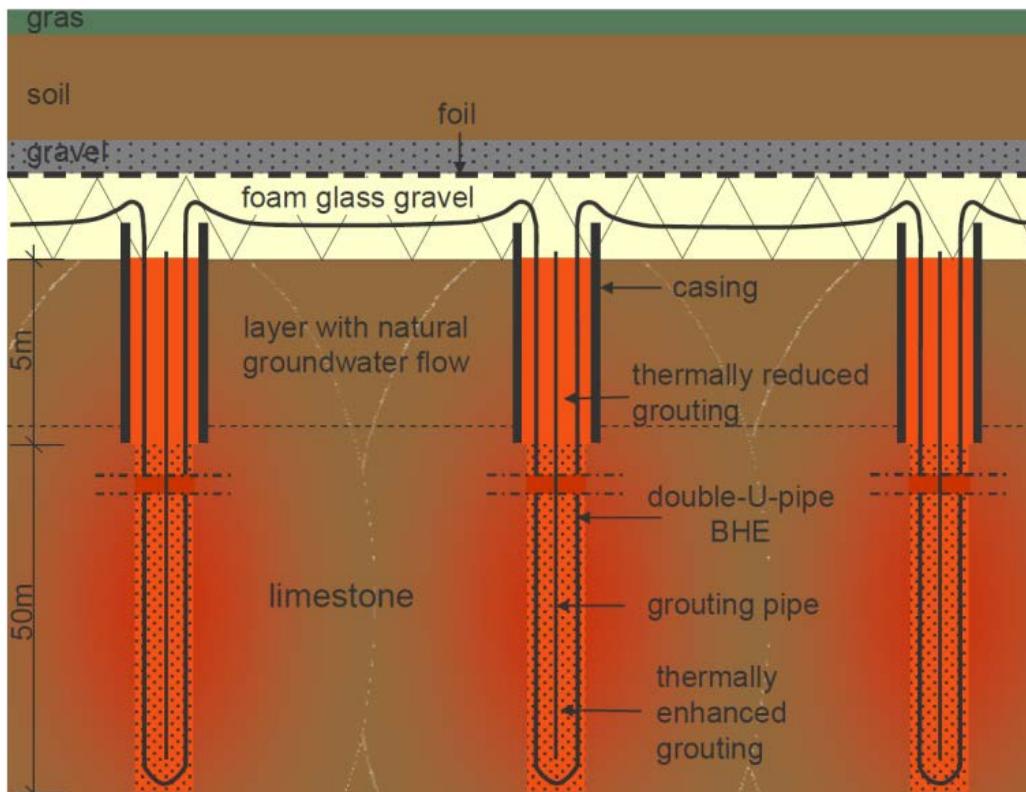


# Seasonal heat storage types

Water pit

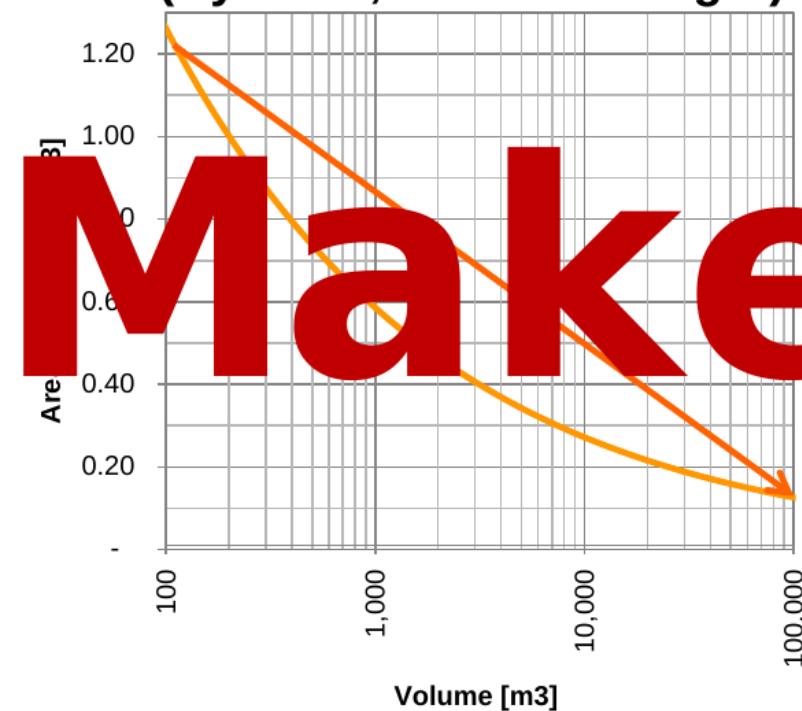


Borehole storage

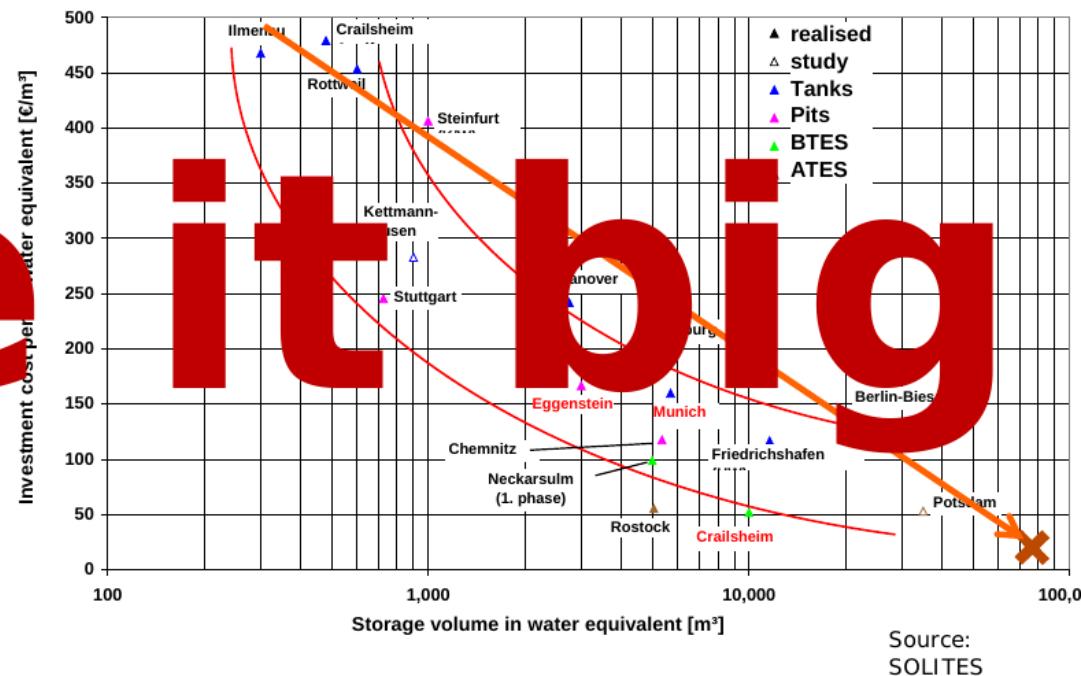


**LARGE SYSTEMS → small storage losses & lower specific costs**

**Surface area per volume  
(Cylinder, Radius = Height)**



**Cost per equivalent m³**



Source:  
SOLITES

$1.2 \rightarrow 0.1 \rightarrow$  Factor 12!

$500 \rightarrow 20 \rightarrow$  Factor 25!

**Water pits for seasonal heat storage with water volumes  $> 60,000 \text{ m}^3$ : Yearly heat loss  $< 10\%$**

## Marstal Seasonal heat storage - 75000 m<sup>3</sup> water pit



# 19000 m<sup>3</sup> borehole storage in Brædstrup



# Measurements



	Borehole storage, Brædstrup	Water pit storage, Marstal	Water pit storage,Dronninglund	Water pit storage, Gram
Size	19000 m <sup>3</sup> soil, corresponding to about 12000 m <sup>3</sup> water	75000 m <sup>3</sup> water	62000 m <sup>3</sup> water	110000 m <sup>3</sup> water
Maximum storage temperature	50°C	90°C	90°C	90°C
Heat recovered from heat storage during first year	44%	18%	78%	55%
Heat recovered from heat storage during second year	38%	65%	90%	
Heat recovered from heat storage during third year	102%	62%	91%	

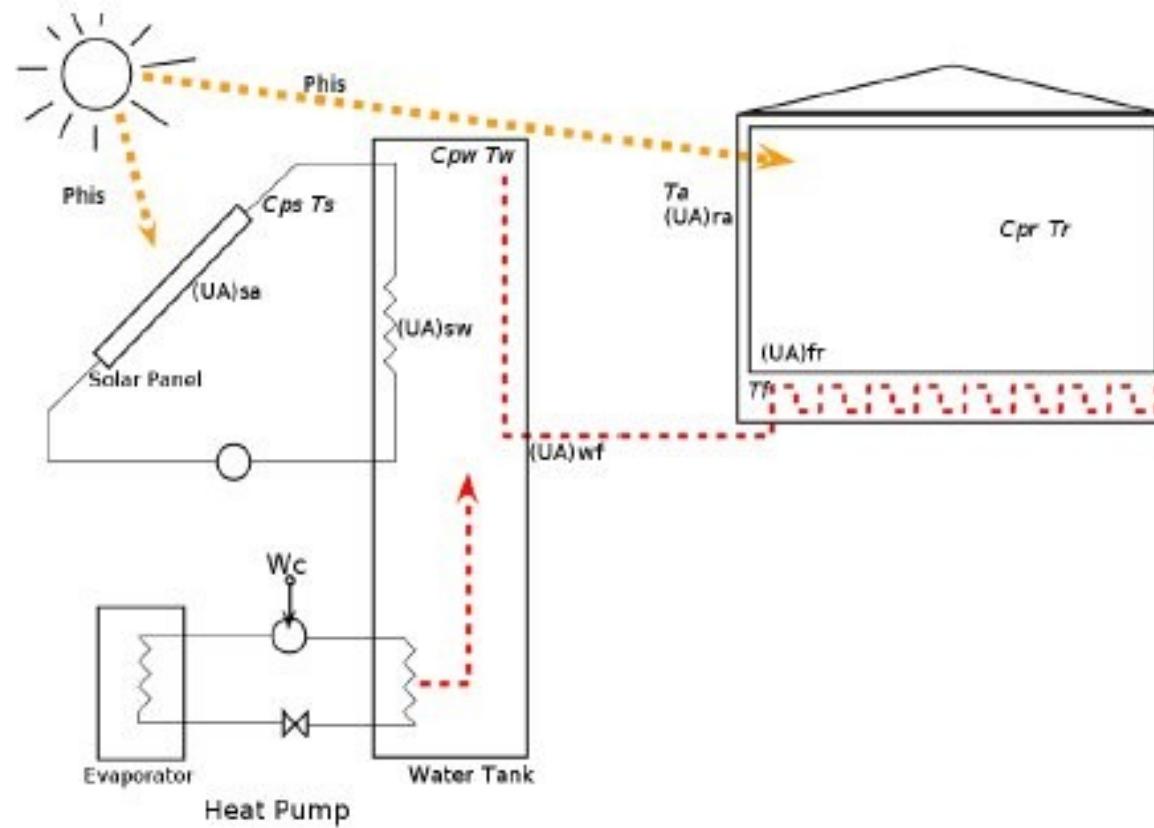
## Case study No. 2

# Heat Pumps and Local Storage (thermal mass and water tank)



# Modeling Heat Pump and Solar Collector

## Simplified System



## Formulation

The Economic MPC problem, with the constraints and the model, can be summarized into the following formal formulation:

$$\min_{\{u_k\}_{k=0}^{N-1}} \phi = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c' u_k \quad (4a)$$

Subject to  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + Ed_k \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (4b)$

$$y_k = Cx_k \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (4c)$$

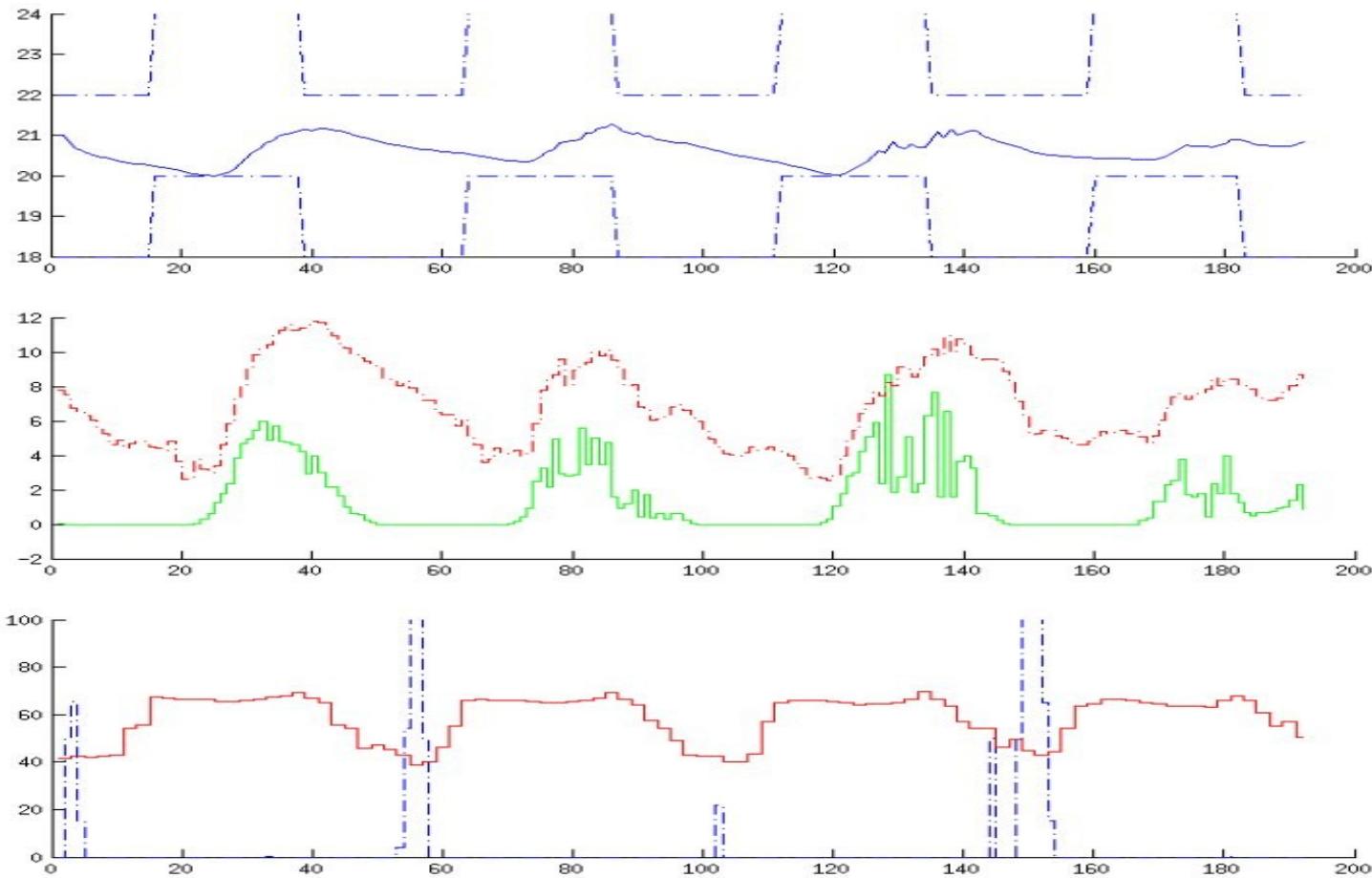
$$u_{min} \leq u_k \leq u_{max} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (4d)$$

$$\Delta u_{min} \leq \Delta u_k \leq \Delta u_{max} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \quad (4e)$$

$$y_{min} \leq y_k \leq y_{max} \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N \quad (4f)$$

# Heat pump with thermal solar collector and storage

(cost savings up to 25 pct - increased energy consumption 8 pct)

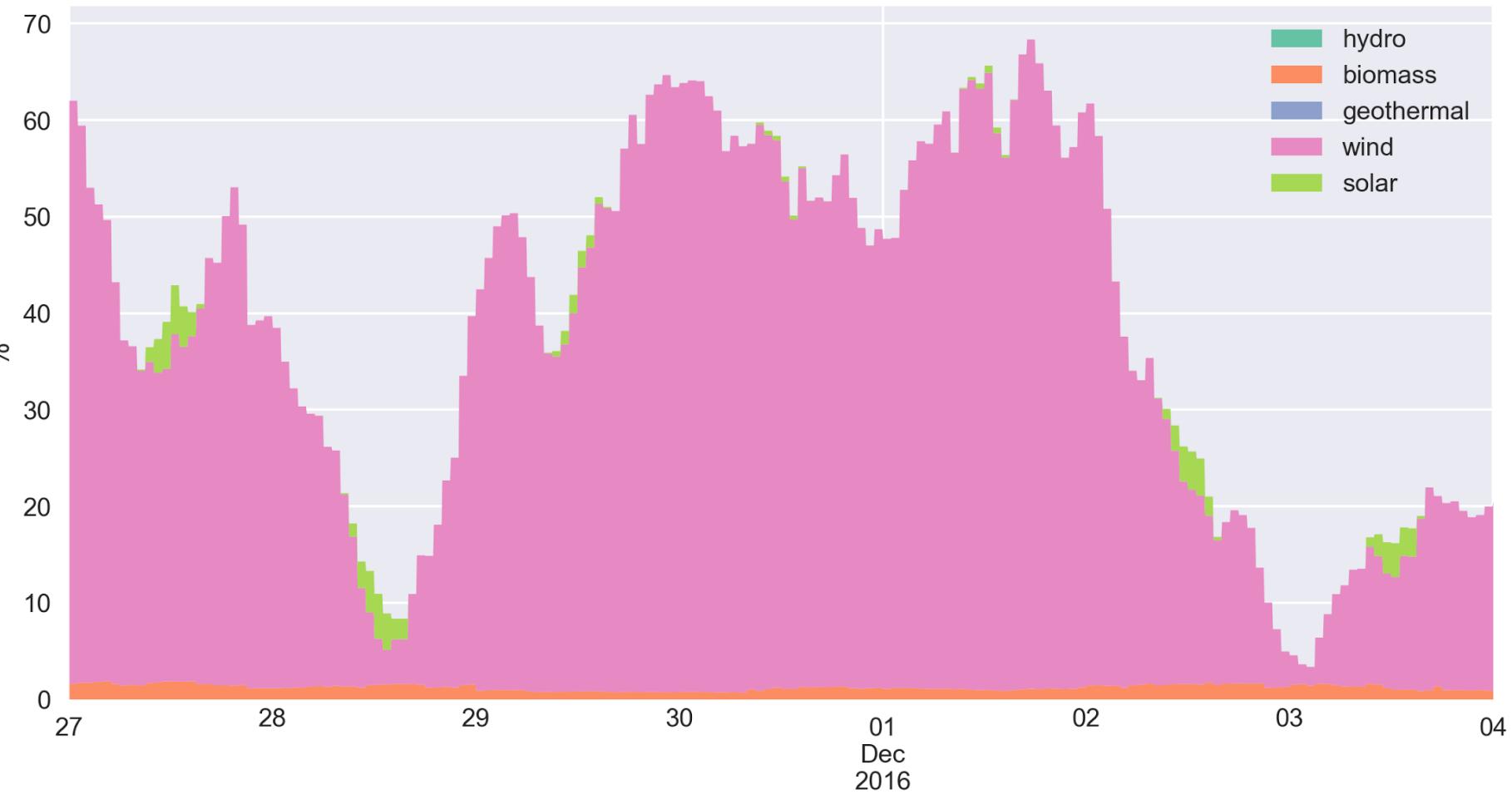


## Case study No. 3

**Control of heat pumps; houses with a swimming pool (CO<sub>2</sub> minimization)**

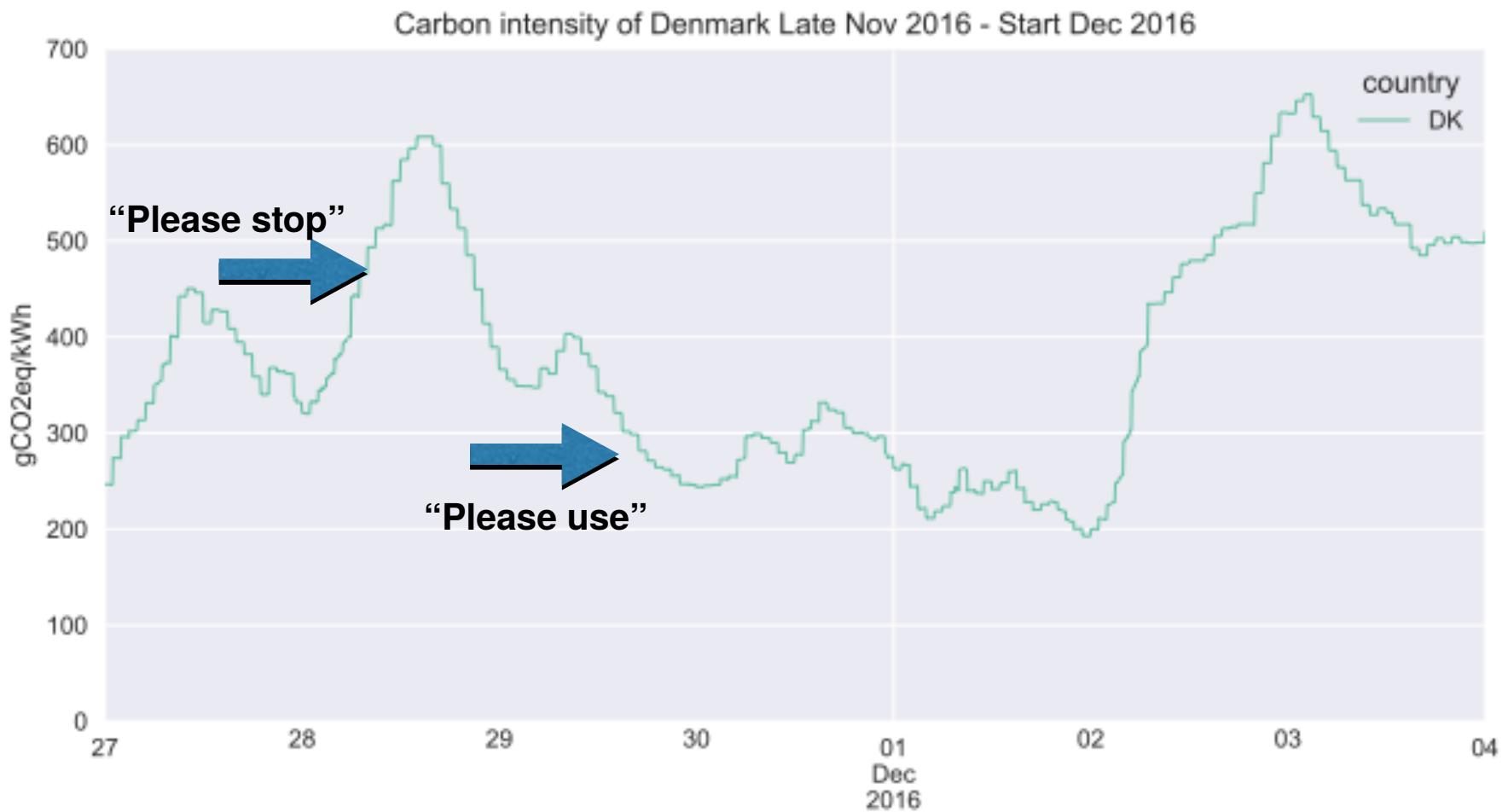


### Share of electricity originating from renewables in Denmark Late Nov 2016 - Start Dec 2016



Source: [pro.electricitymap.org](http://pro.electricitymap.org)

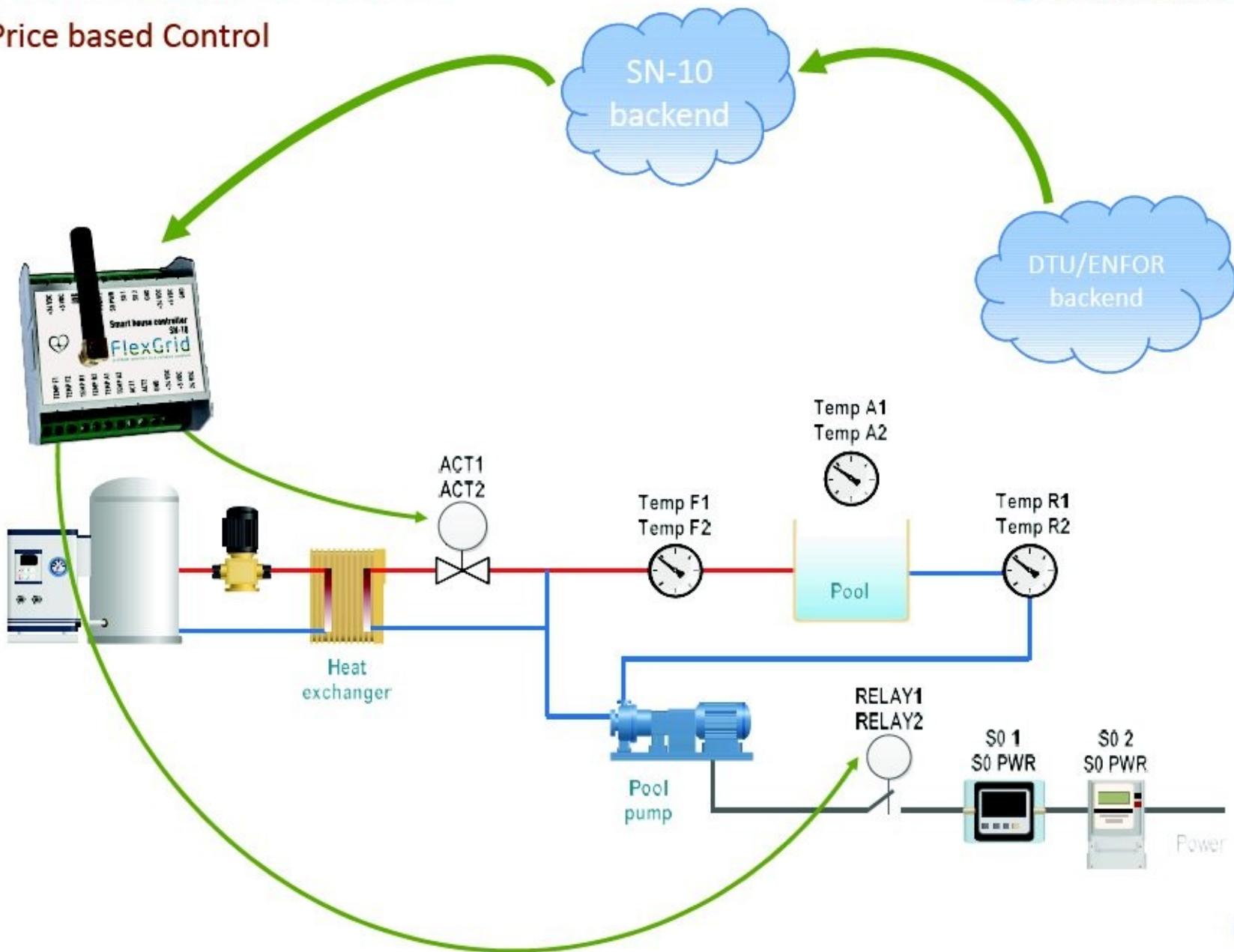




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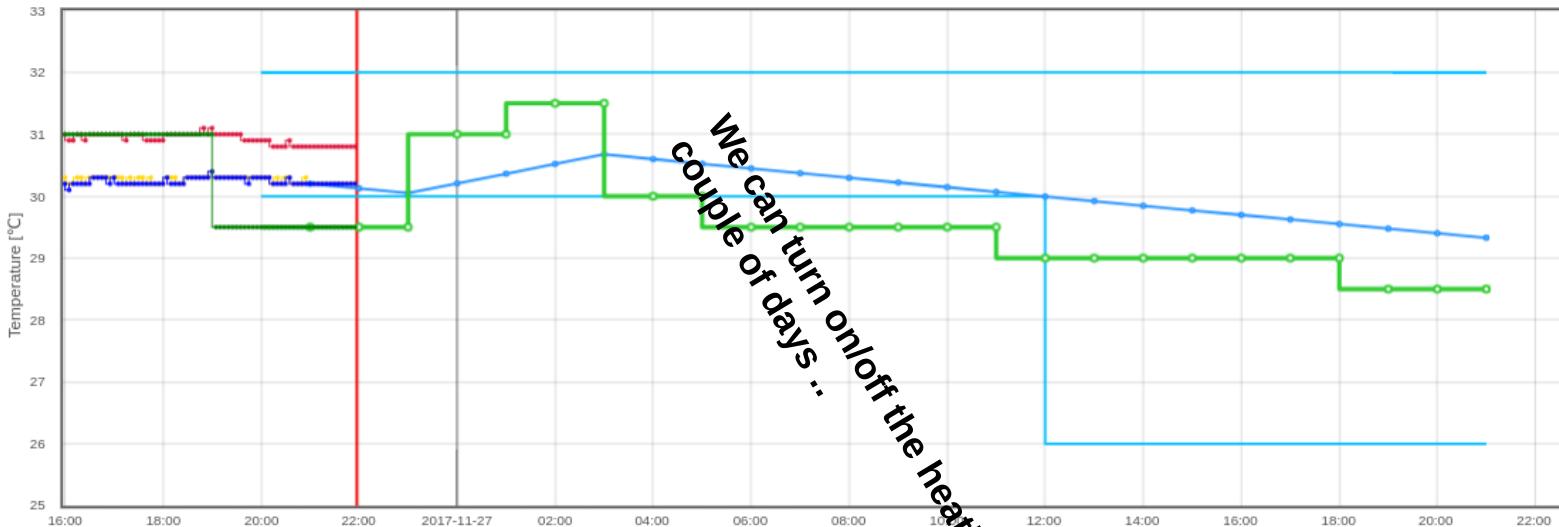
# How does it work?

Price based Control

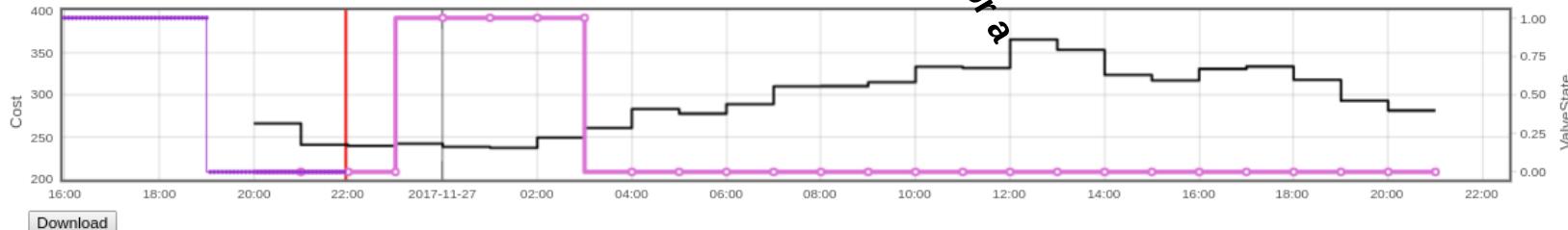


## D7811 Controller

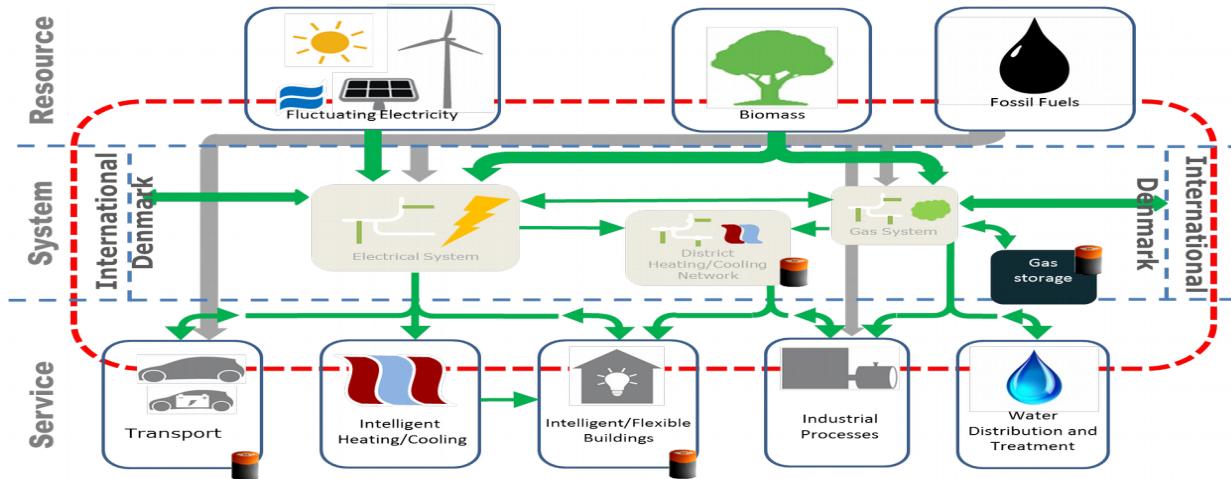
Cost: co2intensity [g/kWh]



- me-5m / WaterTemperatureForecast
- me-5m / AirTemperature
- pre / WaterTemperatureReturn
- pre / WaterTemperatureReturn
- pre / WaterTemperatureReturn
- me-5m / WaterTemperatureReturn
- pre / WaterTemperatureSetpoint
- me-5m / WaterTemperatureSetpoint



# Thermal Flexibility Characteristics



## Flexibility (or virtual storage) characteristics:

- Supermarket refrigeration can provide storage 0.5-2 hours ahead
- Buildings thermal capacity can provide storage up to, say, 5-10 hours ahead
- Buildings with local water storage can provide storage up to, say, 2-16 hours ahead
- District heating/cooling systems can provide storage up to 1-3 days ahead
- DH systems with thermal solar collectors can often provide **seasonal storage** solutions
- Gas systems can provide **seasonal/long term** storage solutions

# Conclusion

- YES! I don't think we need all these super grids (like the Viking Link)
- Intelligent Energy Systems Integration with thermal systems can provide flexibility and long term storage solutions
- District heating (or cooling) systems can provide flexibility on the essential time scales
- Gas systems can provide seasonal virtual storage solutions
- Seasonal thermal storage in DH systems (summer to winter)
- Scale matters! (Sub-optimal to consider household level systems)
- We see a large potential in Demand Response and Flexibility.  
Automatic solutions, price based control, and end-user focus are important
- Markets, taxes and pricing principles need to be reconsidered. We see an advantage of having a physical link to the mechanism (eg. nodal pricing, capacity markets)

# Thanks .....

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For more information see for instance

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