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# Resident Carbon Credit Incentive Decision-Making Method to Promote Valley Filling



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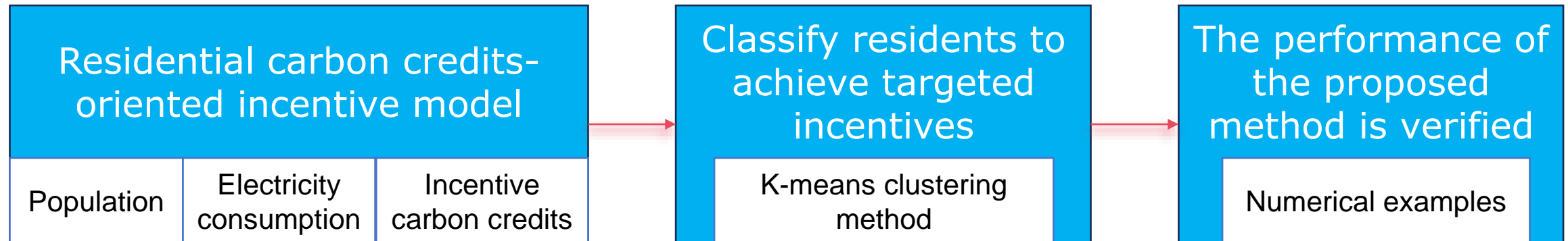
# Background

- The carbon market, as a crucial policy to combat climate change, can contribute to achieving peak carbon and carbon-neutral strategic goals.
- The carbon credit, as a carbon emission measurement unit used for carbon trading, can promote the carbon saving behavior of each user.
- Considering the large base of residents, its potential to reduce total carbon emissions cannot be ignored.



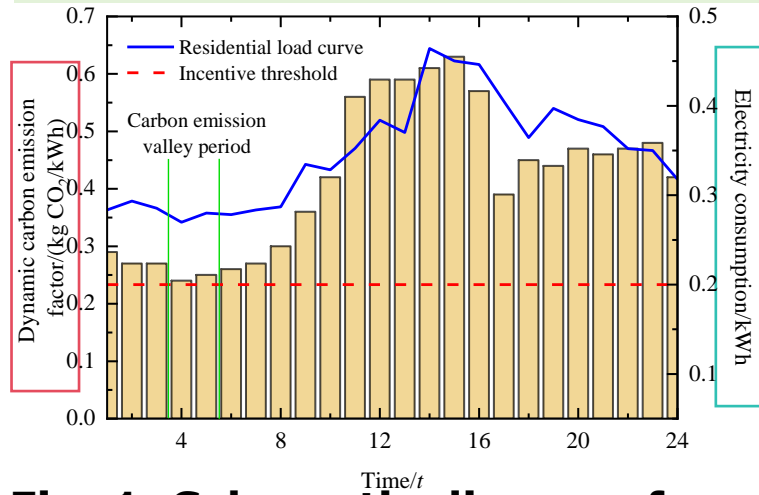
# Method

An incentive decision-making method to promote valley filling is proposed for residential carbon credits. Firstly, a residential carbon credits-oriented incentive model is introduced for "peak load shaving" behavior. Then, residents are classified according to the carbon valley electricity consumption ratio to achieve targeted incentives. Lastly, the performance of the proposed method is verified by numerical examples.



# Resident Carbon Credit-Oriented Incentive Model for Promoting Carbon Valley Response

The existing monthly carbon credits of residents involves such elements as carbon quotas, dynamic carbon emission factor, and electricity consumption of residents at different periods. In this paper, the incentive carbon credits is considered for "peak load shaving" behavior.



Monthly initial carbon quotas

$$C_m^{\text{given}} = \begin{cases} C_1^{\text{given}} \\ C_2^{\text{given}} \\ C_3^{\text{given}} \end{cases}$$

$m=1,2,3$  represent the population of the resident are four and below four, five and above, seven and above respectively.

**Fig. 1. Schematic diagram for carbon emission valley period**

**Existing monthly carbon credits of residents**

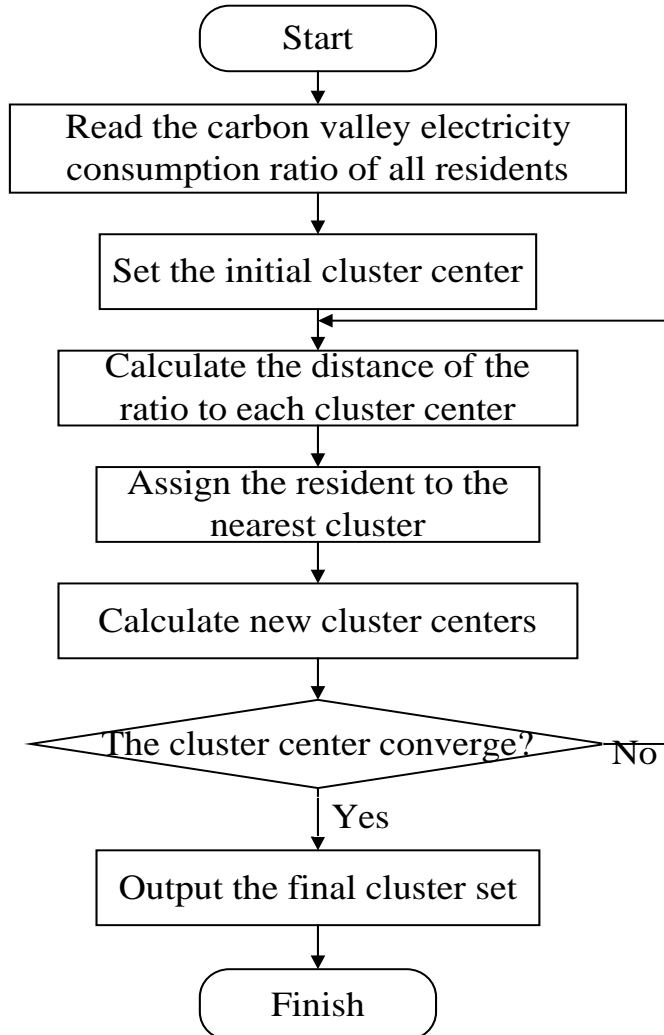
**Monthly carbon credits of residents proposed**

$$C_i = C_i^{\text{given}} - \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{t \in T} \lambda_t p_{d,t,i}$$

$$C_{m,i} = C_{m,i}^{\text{given}} - \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{t \in T} \lambda_t p_{d,t,m,i} + C_{m,i}^{\text{inc}}$$

Incentive carbon credits

# Resident Carbon Credits Decision-making Model



Based on the residential daily load curve, the carbon valley electricity consumption ratio is used to characterize the residential carbon valley electricity consumption characteristics. K-means clustering method is used to classify residents according to the ratio.

Distance between the resident and the cluster center

$$\begin{cases} dis(w_i, \mu_j) = |w_i - \mu_j| \\ \mu_j = \frac{\sum_{i \in S_j} w_i}{S_j} \end{cases}$$

Center value of cluster  $j$

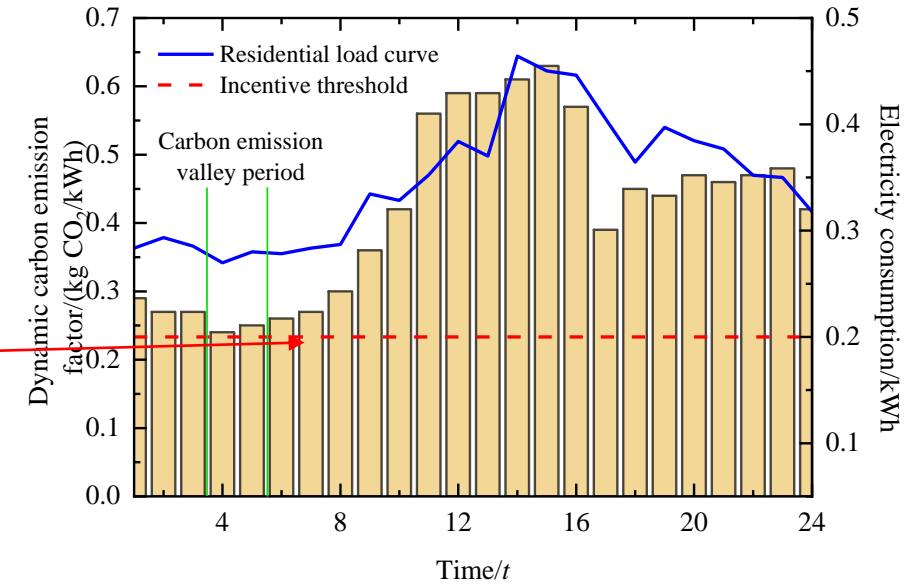
From the first cluster to the final, the cluster center decline.

**Fig. 2. Solution process based on K-means cluster**

# Resident Carbon Credits Decision-making Model

Incentive coefficients  $\alpha_1 > \alpha_2 > \dots > \alpha_j$

$$C_{m,j,i}^{\text{inc}} = \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{t \in T^{\text{valley}}} \alpha_j \cdot (p_{d,t,m,j,i} - p_m^{\text{inc}})$$



**Fig. 1. Schematic diagram for carbon emission valley period**





# Model Construction

Optimization goal

Residents with a higher carbon valley electricity consumption ratio should get more incentive credits.

$$F = \max \sum_{m \in M} \sum_{i \in I} C_{m,j,i}^{\text{inc}}$$

Constraints

1) Average monthly carbon credits constraints

$$\sum_{i \in I} C_i / I \leq C^{\max}$$

2) Proportion of residents with zero credit constraints

$$f(C_i \leq 0) \leq \eta$$

3) Difference of mean carbon credits between clusters

$$\overline{C_{m,j-1,i}} - \overline{C_{m,j,i}} > C^{\text{thr}}$$





# Results

Data source: The simulation analysis is carried out with 2000 residents in August 2020. Residential electricity consumption is measured per hour.

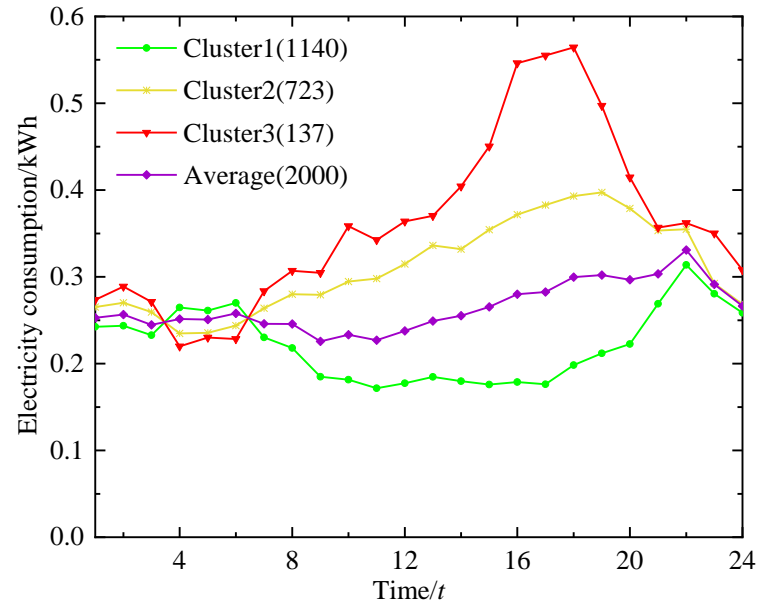


Fig. 3. Average **electricity consumption** curves

- Carbon valley electricity consumption ratio gradually increases
- Total electricity consumption and peak-valley difference increased

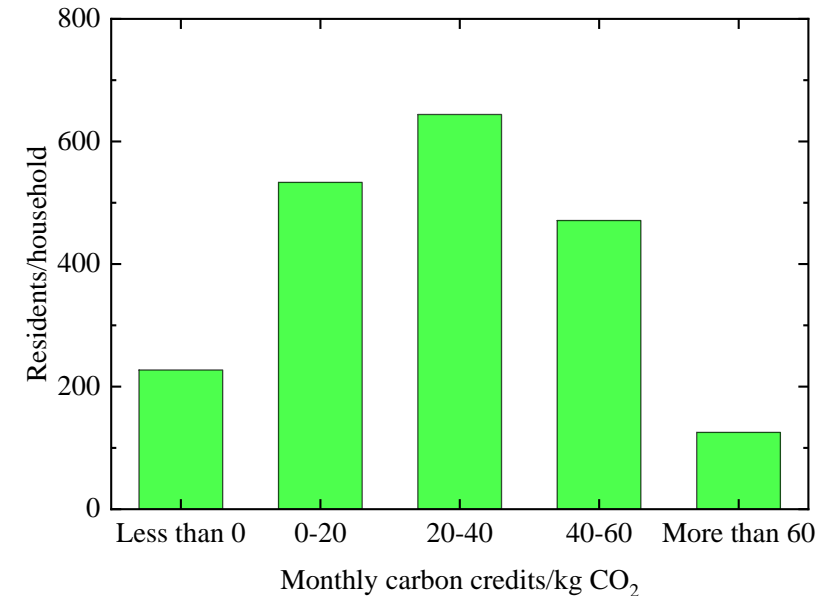
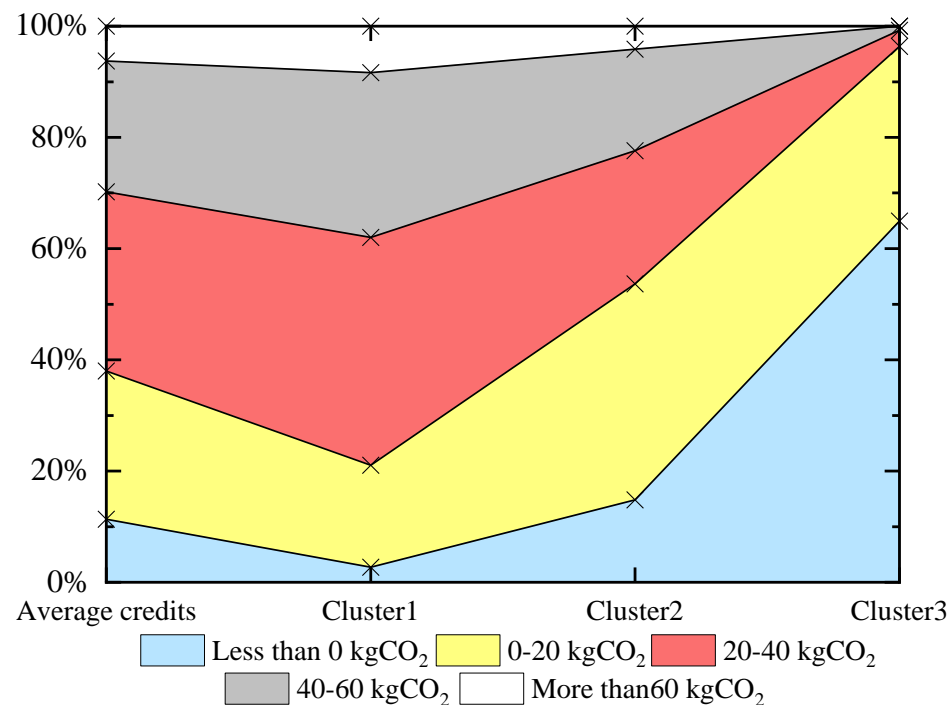


Fig. 4. Monthly **carbon credits and number** of residents

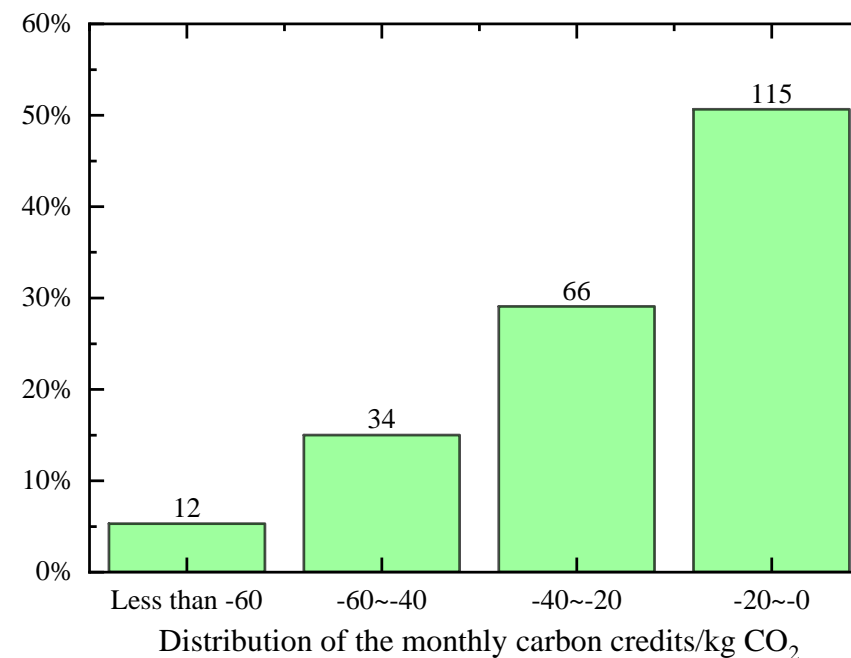
- Most of residents fall into the range between 0-20 kg CO<sub>2</sub> and 20-40 kg CO<sub>2</sub>

# Results



**Fig. 5. The distribution of residents' carbon credits of 3 clusters**

- Cluster 1 distributed with most carbon credits
- With the increase of clustering level, residents gather fewer carbon credits



**Fig. 6. Distribution and share of below-zero carbon credits**

- Number of users with carbon credits between 0-20 kg CO<sub>2</sub> are the largest
- Residents in all clusters with below-zero carbon credits are in this interval

# Conclusions

- Firstly, the monthly carbon quotas, basic carbon emission and incentive carbon credits are fully considered for **resident carbon credit-oriented incentive model**.
- Secondly, by using the clustering method, **different clusters of residents are set up** to set different incentive threshold and incentive coefficients.
- Moreover, through **case study**, it is found that the monthly carbon credits of residents are mostly in the interval of 0-40 kg CO<sub>2</sub>. It can not only reduce government investment, but also increase the residents' satisfaction.
- Besides, more carbon credits can be obtained for residents with higher carbon valley electricity consumption ratio. Therefore, **effective targeted incentives** are met.
- Lastly, it is concluded that there is some **potential for further incentive**.



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# Thank you!



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