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To Sílvia, Joan and Jèssica.



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Abstract

Storytelling PhD

- What is the current situation?
 - Energy Transition Clean Energy Package
 - Increase on electricity consumption
 - decomissioning of nuclear power plants
 - Importance on society awareness on sustainability, as well as prices in some countries for access to electricity - What is our current carbon footprint?
- What are the problems that we identify?
 - some of the solutions for the energy transition can lead to congestion in distribution networks, due to the placement of DERs in MV and LV networks.
 - Are we sure that DERs are completely sustainable? Are we really sure that smart grids are completely sustainable, in each and every country?

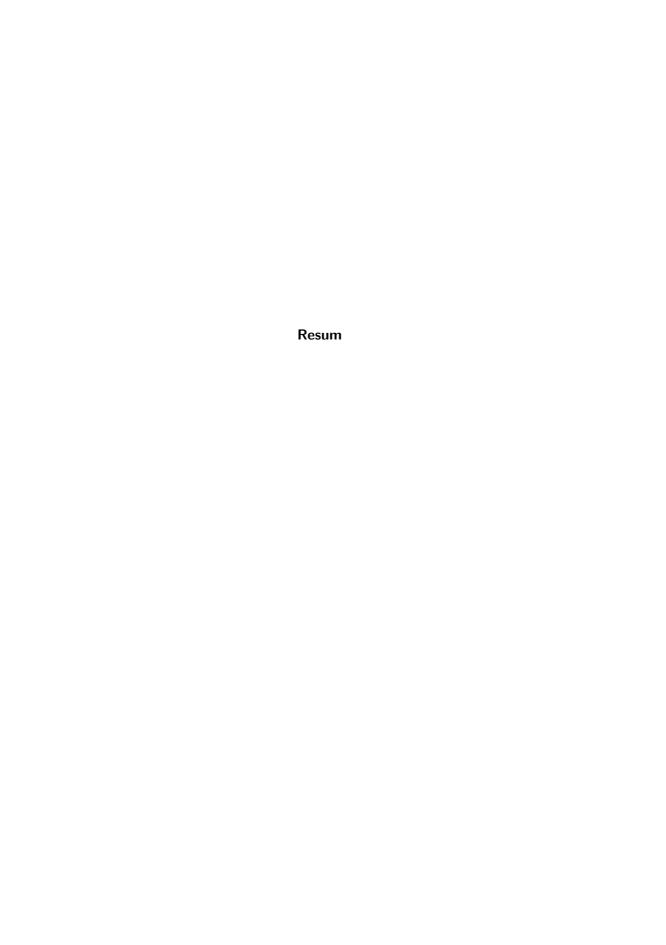
Possible solutions

- Enhance the development of carbon-free technologies by implementing sustainable solutions Assessment of the environmental impact of electricity production by means of LCA to help in the development of energy policies and planning, as well as including LCA in end-user optimization for achieving lower carbon footprints.
- Deployment of demand-side flexibility services by means of endusers flexible assets.

• Thesis contributions

- Assessment tool for evaluating the environmental impact of electricity markets using hourly LCA, by means of Life Cycle Assessment
- Definition of Flexibility: Characterization, modeling, implementation and evaluation

 Possible use cases of demand-side flexibility: Flexibility services for DSOs.



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1.1.1 Distributed Energy Resources

1.2 Distribution networks: challenges

1.3 Electricity markets

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1.4 Regulation framework and new agents in the energy transition

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1.7 Thesis related work and activities

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- 2.2 LCA Applied on Electricity Production
- 2.2.1 Peak-Hourly Life Cycle Assessment (PH-LCA) Methodology
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- 2.3 Case Study: INVADE H2020 project Pilot-Sites Electricity Grid Mixes
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Flexibility Services

3.1 The importance of flexibility

3.2 Regulatory framework for flexibility provision

3.2.1 Flexibility definition

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3.2.2 Local Flexibility Markets

3.3 Flexibility definition

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- 3.3.1 market oriented
- 3.3.2 System oriented

3.4 Mathematical formulation for flexibility definition

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- 3.5 Discussion
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Aggregated Flexibility Forecast

4.1 Introduction

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4.1.1 Use cases/Business models for flexibility services and flexibility forecast

4.1.2 Literature review on flexibility forecast

4.1.3 Contribution

- non-intrusive approach
- less data required (15 kHz for NILM algorithms). Here we can work with 1 minute data
- no submetering (only main smart meter data)
- total aggregated load forecast
- from the total load forecast, we forecast the flexibility UP and flex DOWN, as well as the INFLEXIBLE load
- flexible capacity band (power band) forecast

4.2 Algorithms proposed

- Hidden Markov Model
- combinatorial optimization
- Factorial hidden markov model?

4.3 Methodology

4.3.1 Datasets

Synthetic Data - Load Profile Generator

Real Data - Pecan Street Dataport

4.4 Load Categorization and Flexibility definition

- 4.4.1 Mathematical formulation
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OPF for Congestion management in MV distribution networks

5.1 Introduction

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- NUVVE Congestion management
- pilot estabanell INVADE BD4OPEM
- altres pilots

5.1.1 Use cases/Business models for congestion management

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5.1.2 Standards and protocols for flexibility provision between aggregators and DSOs

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- 5.1.3 Literature review on congestion management tools OPF
- 5.1.4 Contribution
- 5.2 Mathematical formulation for Flexibility request calculation
 - OPF (Python)

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Conclusions

- 6.1 General conclusions
- 6.2 Contributions
- 6.3 Future work

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- J4 review sara big data
- J5 review hussain

Submitted journal papers

Conference papers

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Local conferences

Published papers

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Supervised bachelor and master thesis

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- **T2** K.,Beehuspoteea, "Impact factors of heat generation units for zoned temperature controlled in office buildings", June 2019.
- **T3** A. Quattrone, "Development of flexibility device models for a microgrid laboratory test", June 2019.
- **T4** N. Condorelli, "Evaluation and forecast of CO2 emissions in the electricity sector for European targeted countries" March 2020.

- **T5** P. Plana, "Analysis of measures to increment the share of renewable energy in distribution grids" April 2020.
- **T6** A. Bové Salat, "Optimal scheduling of flexible assets under a HEMS for prosumers' economic savings" June 2020.
- T7 M. Ferran, "Power flow tool for active distribution grids and flexibility analysis", June 2020.

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 - entregables EMPOWER LCA?