## Impact of BEV Charging on Typical Low Voltage Grids

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## Approach



## **Typical Low Voltage Networks in Germany**

- Simulations of standard or single real networks are not effective
- Use of typical networks to investigate general impacts on distribution grids
- Identified low voltage networks for Germany based on transformer ratings [1]:

Network	Туре	Transformer	Households	Feeders
LV Type I	Country side	100 kVA	8	2
LV Type II	Village	160 kVA	14	2
LV Type III	Rural	400 kVA	52	6
LV Type IV	Sub urban	630 kVA	146	10

- Main feeder length with 10 different model classes [2]
- Around 87% are underground cables in LV networks
   > NAVY 4x150 mm<sup>2</sup> (275 A) cable was considered in the analysis
- Voltage limits (±10% for LV and MV) according to DIN EN 50160
- Transformer limit (100%)

[1] G. Kerber: Aufnahmefähigkeit von Niederspannungsverteilnetzen für die Einspeisung aus Photovoltaik-kleinanlagen. 2011. [2]. J. Büchner et al.: Moderne Verteilernetze für Deutschland" (Verteilernetzstudie). 2014

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## **Charging Profiles: Clustering of Socio-demographic Groups**

Development of a structure-recognizing cluster method

- Clustering into homogeneous groups regarding charging determining parameters
- Determination of a suitable number of clusters
- Analysis of the clusters with regard to socio-demographic similarities
- Possible analysis for future demographic trends or untypical distribution of groups



Socio-demographic Groups	Daily mileage
	[km]
Basic population	35.9
Education, full-time employed persons	46.8
Homemaker, pensioner, part-time	19.8
employed persons	
Students, others	20.9

## [1] Linssen, J. (2018) : Modellierung zeitlich aufgelöster Ladeenergienachfragen von batterie-elektrischen Fahrzeugen und deren Abbildung in einem Energiesystemmodell, TU Dissertation Berlin

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## **Demand Profiles: BEV Charging**

#### **Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs)**

- BEVs at home charging
- Assumed charging power: 3.7 kW (constant current)
- Time resolution of 15-minutes for four seasons on a typical day in the week and at weekends
- Three clusters with full-time employees (cluster 1), pensioners and housemakers (Cluster 2) and part-time employees (Cluster 3)
- Assumed BEV consumption: 17.5 kWh/100 km
- Assumed daily traveling distance according to [1]



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## **Model FINE-Residential: Demand Profiles Households**

## **Model characteristics**

- Parallel optimization[1,2] for cost minimal choice of efficiency measures, scaling and operation of technologies
- Aggregation of 200 spatially distributed archetype buildings [3] from census data on municipality level
- Aggregation of energy demand profiles to different nodes or regions and costs analysis

#### **Highlights**

- Minimum cost scenarios<sub>[1]</sub> for energy supply in the residential sector
- Trends of supply and demand with high spatial and temporal resolution up to the year 2050



#### Change of electricity load until 2050\*



Kotzur, L., et al., Impact of different time series aggregation methods on optimal energy system design. Renewable Energy, 2018.
 Kotzur, L., et al., Time series aggregation for energy system design: Modeling seasonal storage. Applied Energy, 2018.
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## **Demand Profiles for Heat Pumps**

#### Heat pumps

- Model output of FINE-Residential
- Heat pump demand in residential households with two, three, four, five person households [1]
- Time resolution of 15-minutes for four seasons on a typical day in the week and at weekends
- Peak demand of 3.4, 4.6, 4.8, and 5.9 kW seen for two, three, four, and five person households
- Corresponding electricity demand profiles of households



[1]. Kotzur, L. (2018). Future Grid Load of the Residential Building Sector . RWTH Aachen, Dissertation



## **Electricity Demand Profiles**



- Distributed demand with battery electric vehicles (BEVs) [1] and heat pump [2] in combination with household demand profiles [2]
- Modeling of four seasons with a typical day in the week and at the weekend (15 minutes time resolution)
- Distributed generation with solar rooftop PV (fixed generation capacity: 6 kW<sub>peak</sub>)
- In spring and summer time good matching of PV and additional demand; in autumn and winter mismatch
  of local generation and consumption resulting to high loads and simultaneity

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## **Load Flow Simulation**

- Load flow simulations performed using PyPSA [1]
- Static and symmetric power flows; linear optimal power flow (Newton-Raphson algorithm)
- 10 model classes for LV networks which represents main feeder lengths [2]
- Variations of penetration of BEV, PV and heat pumps in different households (2 to 5 persons)

#### Approaches:

- Deterministic approach with fixed network and load configurations
- Probabilistic approach: with probabilistic assignment of BEV, PV and heat pumps to different households applied on typical grids

#### Load distribution and line loading for LV Type-I [3]; Example for Offpeak situation



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## **Deterministic Analysis: Voltage Drop and Transformer Loading**

- Analysis of LV networks: fixed penetration level for PV (30%) and heat pumps (30%)
- Load flow simulations with fixed network configurations



-120 No BEV 74.49 54.41 ercentage loading 100 67.80 25 % BEV -37.07 80 50 % BEV 46.64 64.89 60 75 % BEV - 39.83 53.79 118.04 100 % BEV - 43.58 60.88 130.29 40

Minimum voltage magnitude (pu) depending on BEV penetration

Maximum transformer loading depending on BEV penetration



### **Probabilistic Analysis: Transformer Loading**



## Summary

- Stress to distribution grid significantly depends on future consumer/ prosumer behavior and their simultaneity
- Main problems due to new consumers like BEV in distribution grids: voltage and transformer limit violations
- Low risks concerning voltage and transformer limit violations in the typical LV network type I, II, and III; LV network type IV turns out to be the critical network
- Congestions caused by BEV and heat pump operating together when limited solar PV generation is available
- Smart charging BEV can avoid grid violations but with some impacts on full usability of vehicles

## Next steps

- From typical networks for distribution in Germany to synthetic networks for selected countries in Europe
- Use of open data sources for generating synthetic distribution grid topologies
- Coupling of distribution grid model with the transmission grid model Europower



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