# Stochastic generation of household electricity load profiles in 15-minute resolution on building level for whole city quarters

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# Simulation platform SimStadt

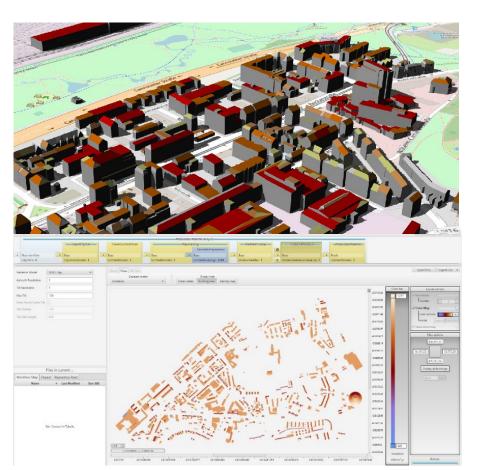


Simulation tool for energetic city quarter planning based on 3D-CityGML files *Nouvel et al. 2015*:

- Photovoltaic and solar potential per roof area and financial feasibility
- Heat demand analysis based on DIN ISO 18599
- Refurbishment scenarios
- Environmental analysis
- District heating network

#### Soon to come:

- Household electricity demand analysis
- Heat pump scenarios
- Biomass scenarios
- CHP-plants

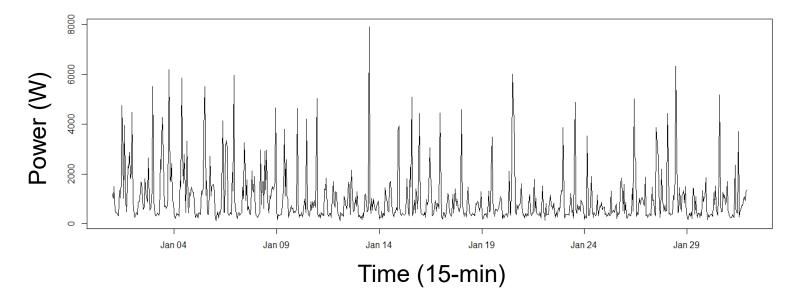


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#### **Objectives and requirements**

Based on 3D-CityGML files synthetic load profiles should be:

- Generated on building level for all types of residential buildings
- Profile generator should have no problem computing several 100 buildings
- Vary stochastically such that peaks vary in time and in magnitude
- Variable in their resolution (15-minute, hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, yearly)



# Methods for generating load profiles (LPs)

Grandjean et al., 2012 & Swan and Ugursal, 2009

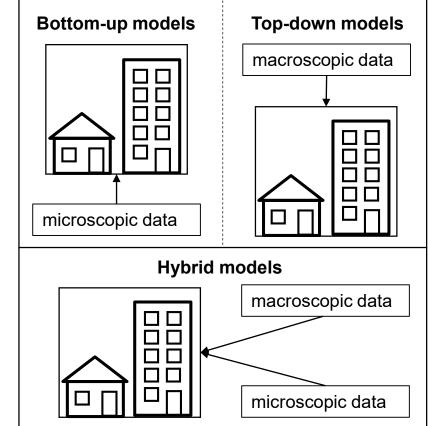
Bottom-up: Considering appliances and occupancy

- High level of detail, able to consider new technologies
- Detailed information of dwellings as input, LP generation often just for few households, complex

<u>Top-down</u>: Scaling down aggregated data

- Simple, trend evolutions can be generated with Status Quo
- General statistical data as input, not able to simulated impact of technical advancements

Hybrid-Models: Combine advantages of both methodologies



Source: own representation adapted from [1]

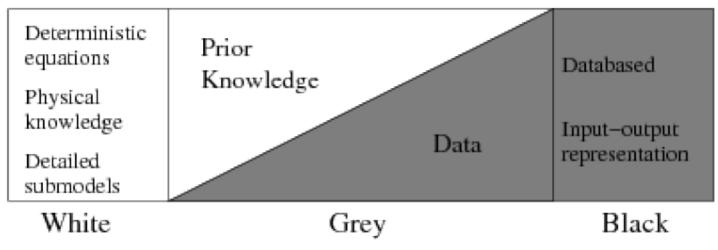
### Methods for generating load profiles (LPs)

Madsen and Holst 2018

Black-box modelling: based on measured data

<u>White-box modelling</u>: based on physical model

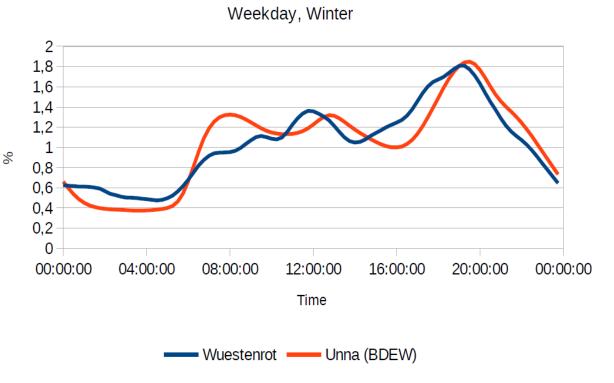
<u>Grey-box modelling</u>: based on measured data and physical model



Source: Madsen and Holst 2018

#### Data characteristics

- Six single-family houses measured with smart meters
- Data used from June 2016 till April 2018
- 15-minute resolution
- Average yearly demand 3.800 kWh
- Validation of measured data through comparison to standard load profiles

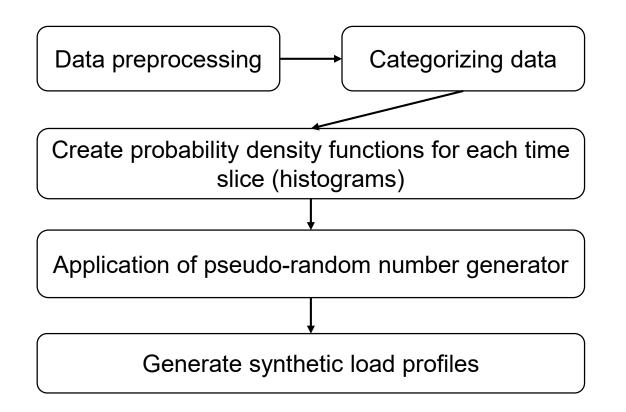


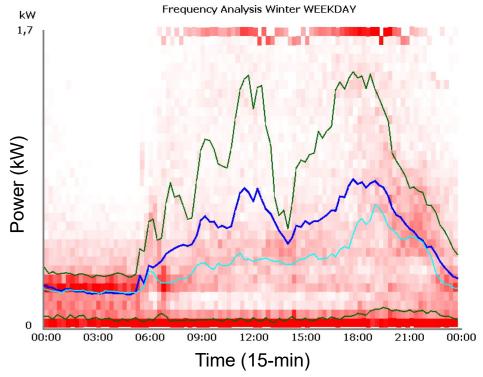
**Comparison Load Profiles** 

Source: Betz, Matthias: Deriving schedule information from electricity load profiles, Masterthesis, 2018

# Black-box modelling approach in SimStadt

#### Methodology for synthetic electricity load profile generator

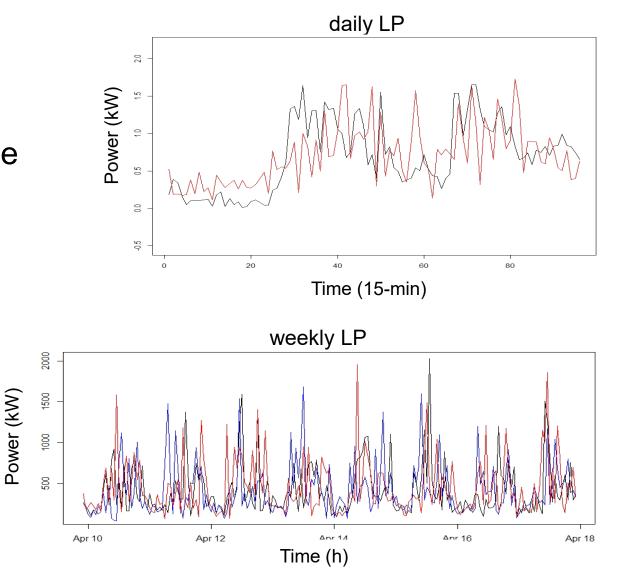




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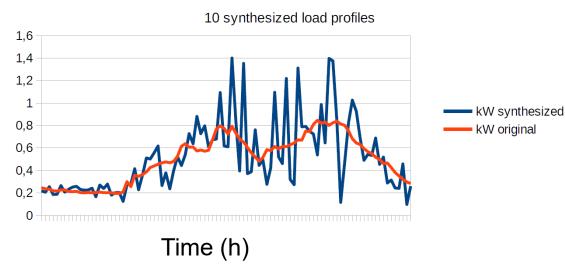
# **Results & Validation**

- Synthetic load profiles show desired shift in spikes and change of magnitude of the peaks
- Seasonal influence is taken into account
- Yearly demand is met
- Average number of spikes of the synthetic load curve is up to 40% higher
- Average length of the synthetic curve is 3,8 times higher



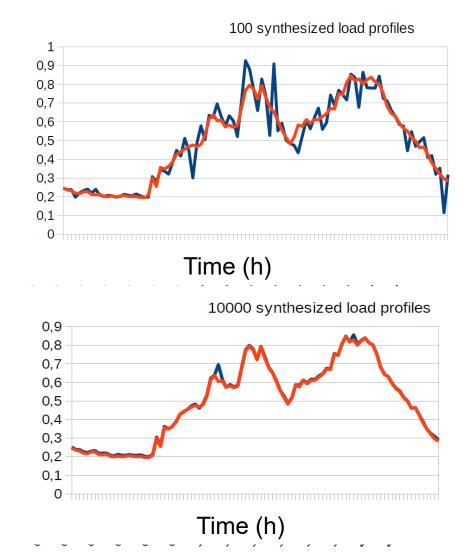
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#### **Results & Validation**



# Validation of synthesized load profiles through:

- Convergence to original data
- Comparison of measured electrcity demand of single-family houses
- Comparison of annual duration curves



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### Conclusions

- Creating a load profile generator with a relatively small data set is possible
- Load profiles show the desired stochastic variation for single-family households
- Yearly demand, seasonal influences and special daily properties are taken into account
- Computing time is fast, also possible for hundreds of buildings

But:

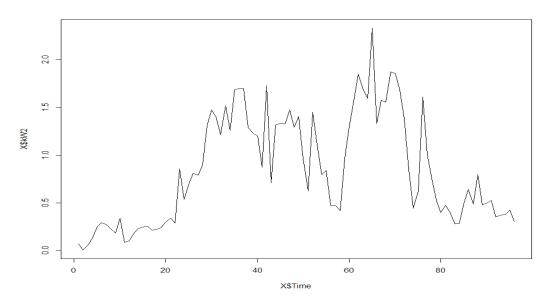
- Curves are to spiky on a high resolution
- Different building types or different households not considered yet

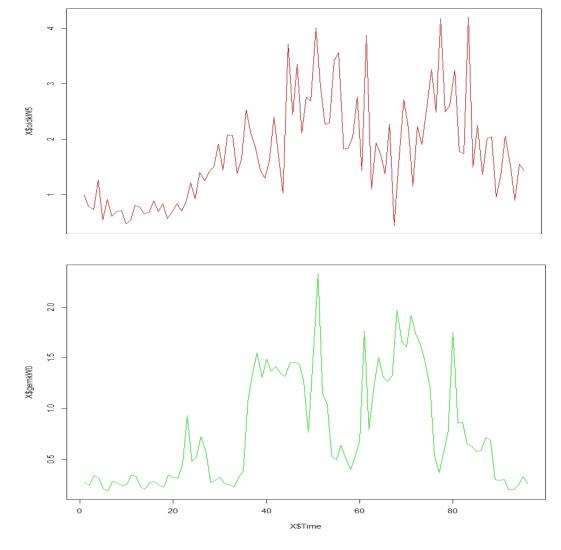
# **Further Plans**

Including autocorrelation



 Results: LPs are more "stable", have less spikes and a shorter curve length





### **Further Plans**

Considering different building types and varying household demand

- Validation still ongoing
- Adaption of the usage-preprocessor
- Working on measures and metric how to rate the similarity of curves
- Couple demand with electricity prices
- Simulate residual load curves for households considering consumertechnologies (heat pumps, boilers etc.) and producer-technologies (PV, CHPs etc.)

# Thank you!

**Questions and Comments?** 

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