Demand-side management in district heating and cooling

Final overview and conclusions from the Horizon 2020 STORM project



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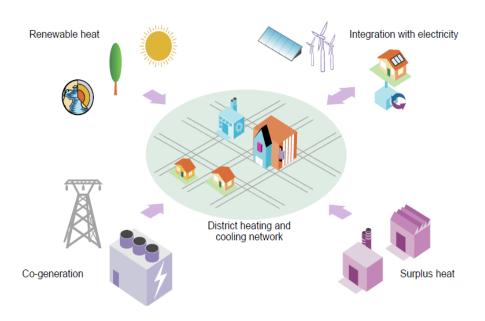












The STORM project (2015-2019, €2MEUR, Grant #649743)

- Balancing energy supply and demand in a district energy system
- Increasing the use of excess heat and renewable energy and boost energy efficiency at district level







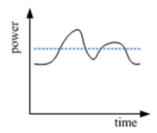


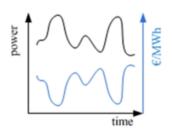


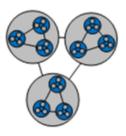












The STORM controller can be applied in different settings and contexts, using three different kinds of control strategies

- Peak shaving
- Market interaction
 - Cell balancing







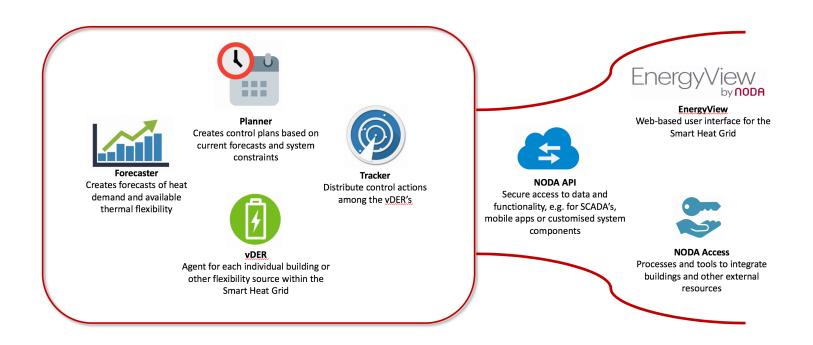












The STORM technology has been implemented in cloud-based infrastructure, using a modular architecture to ensure robustness and ease of scalability







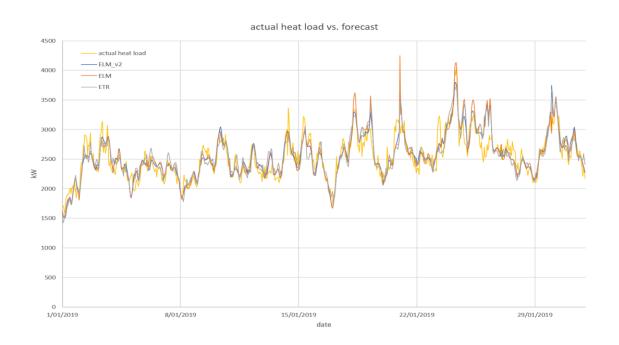












- Heat load forecast from tree-based regression, extreme learning and neural networks
 - Evaluation show good and consistent results in the Forecaster



















- The Planner is an optimiser that uses the forecasts to achieve goals relating to peak, market and cell balancing control strategies
- The optimisation is based on the alternating direction method of multipliers (ADMM)







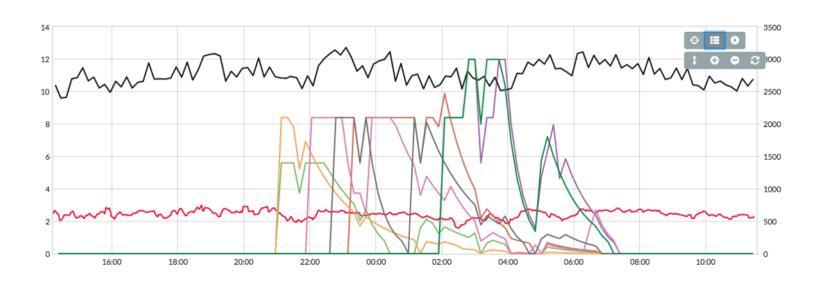












- The purpose of the Tracker is to track the control plan generated by the Planner
- The Tracker is a near real-time MPC controller using ADMM to distribute control
 actions among the connected buildings















Demonstration results

- Växjö, Sweden
 - Long-term peak heat reduction of about 13%, which monthly maximum at 57% reductions given using peak management
- Heerlen, The Netherlands
 - Improved potential capacity of about 42% based on cell balancing
- Market interaction for CHP's reached a 15% increase in price efficiency
- For a more in-depth presentation of the results please see session 21 tomorrow











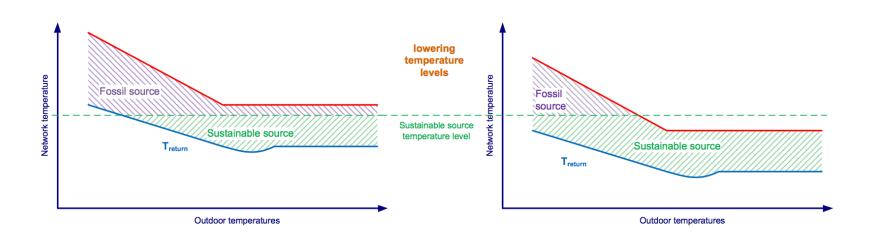












- On a high level, STORM is about fast processes (hydraulics and power profiles)
- TEMPO is an on-going project relating to slower processes (temperatures and thermal distributions in the grid)
- Future work includes merging these concepts to a complete smart controller for district heating and cooling

















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