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Model-based fault detection for use in digital twins of large-scale heat pump systems

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Digital twins for large-scale heat pump and refrigeration systems



Motivation

Enhanced services through digital twins
Monitoring | Fault detection/diagnosis | Optimized operation



Objectives

Reducing the effort for creating digital twins
Improved services and better exploitation of potentials



Approach

Developing reusable, modular and self-learning models
Developing advanced methods for system analysis



Project facts

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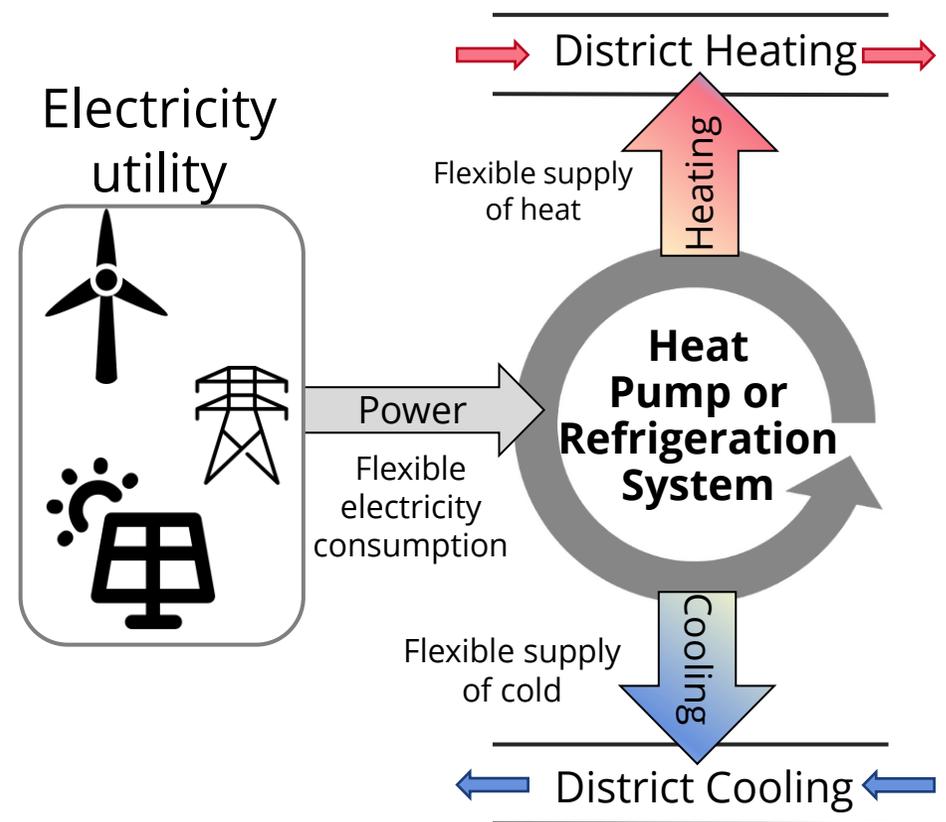




Heat pumps in integrated energy systems

- Key-components in integrated systems
- Delivery of multiple services
- Varying operating conditions

- High **performance** and **reliability** are crucial





Digital twin-based services



Advanced system monitoring

- Analysis of functionality and performance
- Performance benchmarking
- Validity check
- Soft sensors



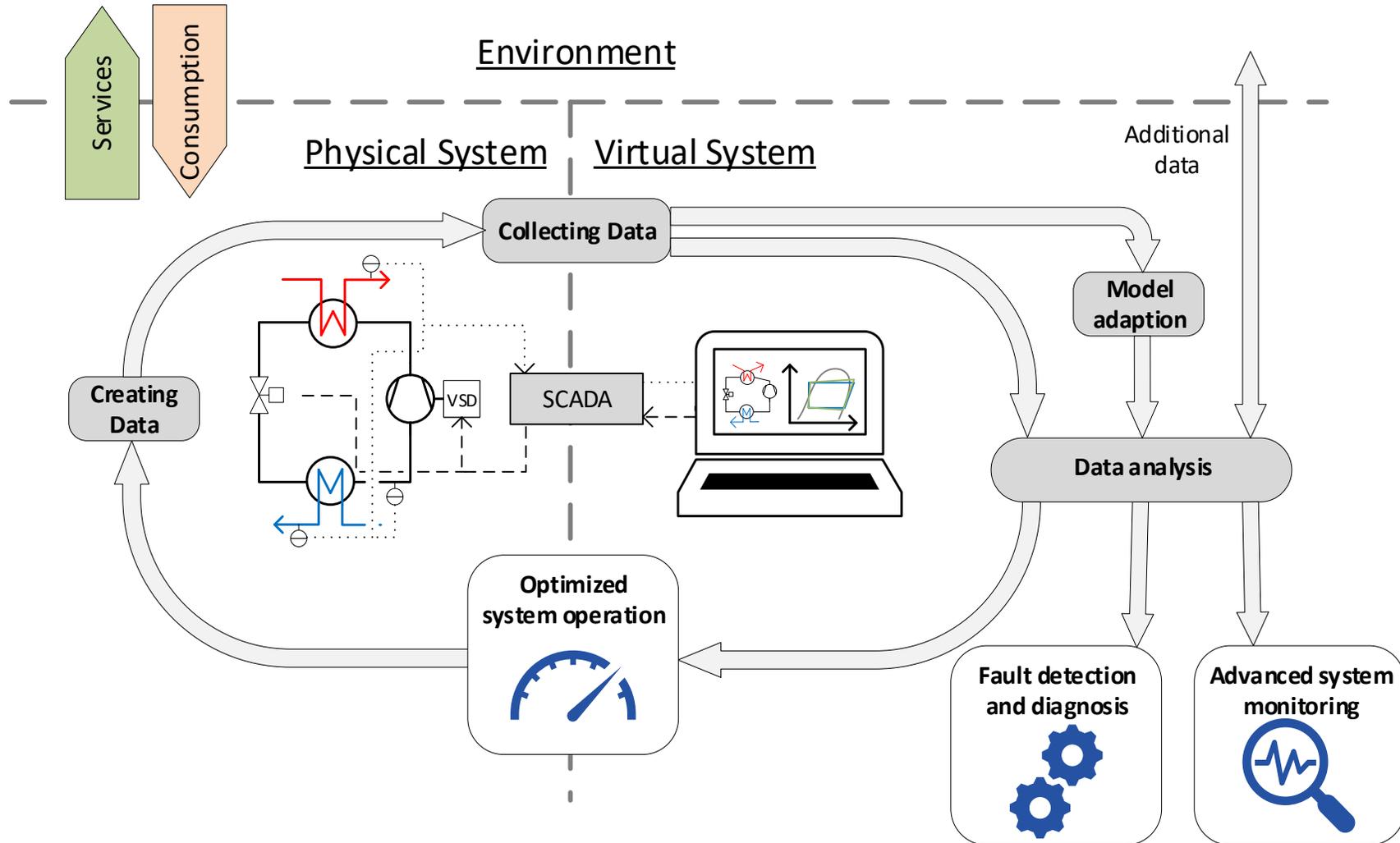
Fault detection and diagnosis

- Fault mechanism monitoring incl. early-stage warning and predictive maintenance
- Model-based interpretation of system alerts



Optimized system operation

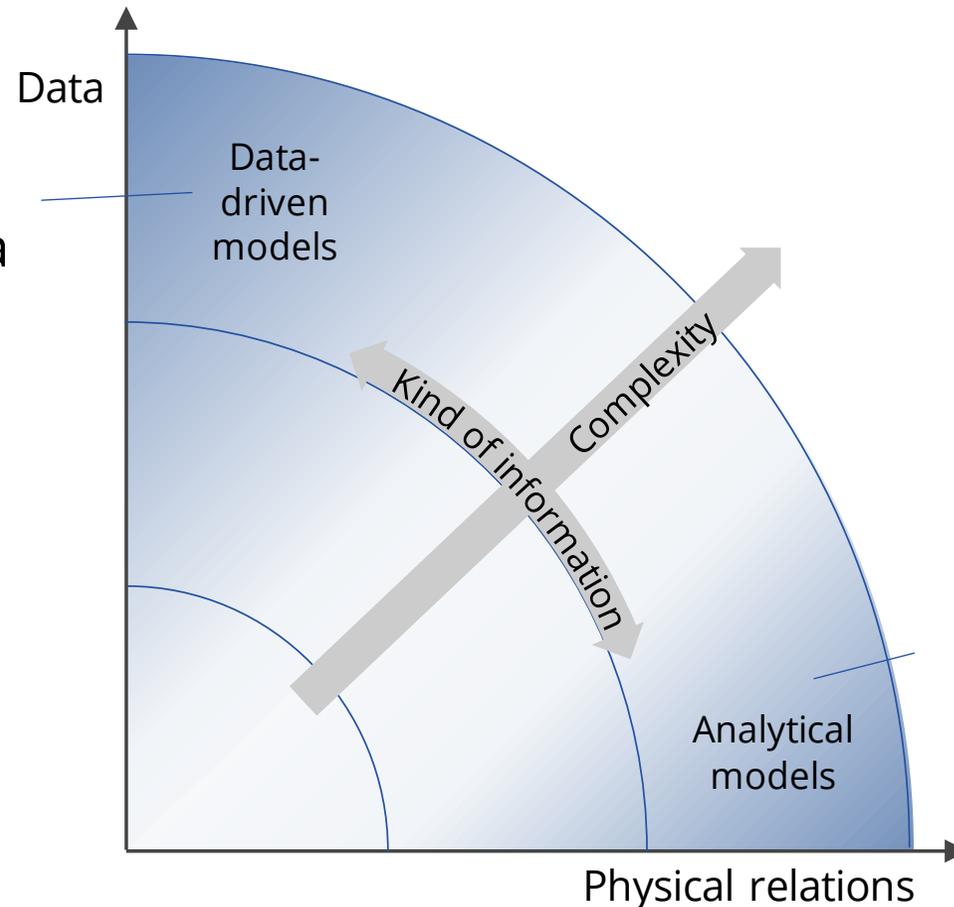
- Continuous set-point tuning
- Scheduling of production and downtimes





Modelling approaches

Description of uncertain
and unknown phenomena



Description of well known
and quantifiable phenomena

Model characteristics

- Reusable
- Modular
- Self-learning

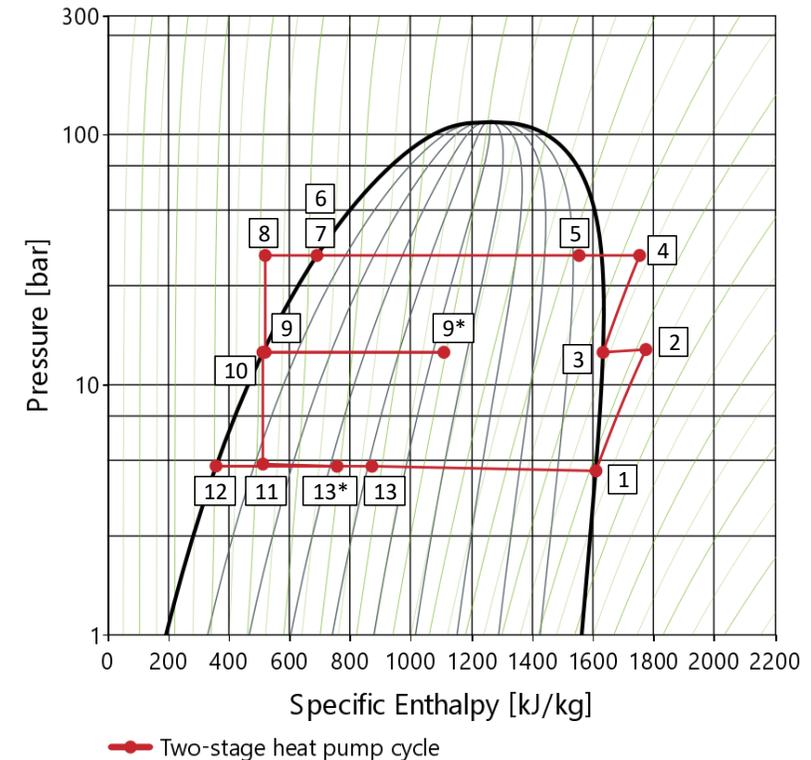
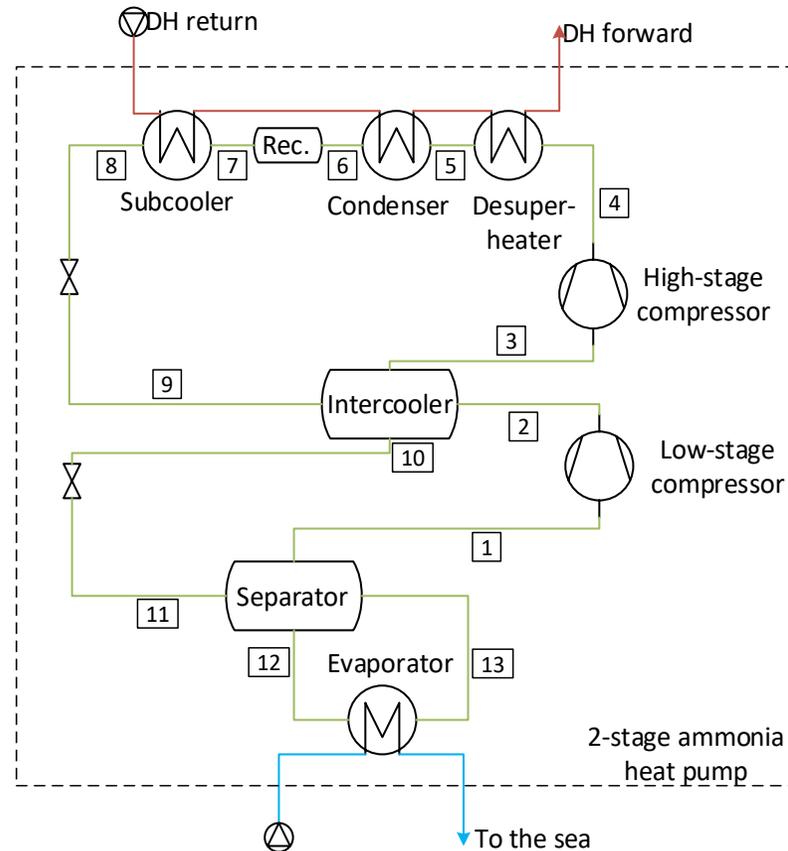
→ Reduced effort



Analytical heat pump model

Example:

- 2-stage ammonia HP
- Piston compressors
- Validation with measurement data

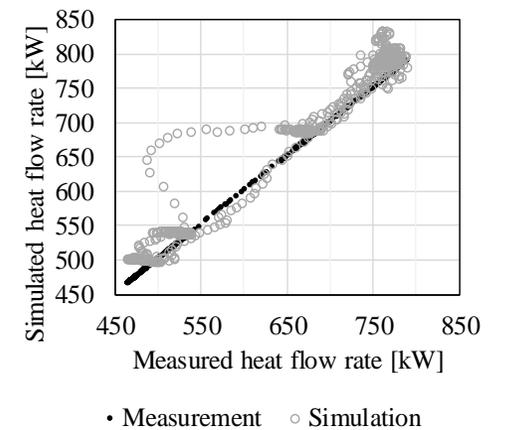
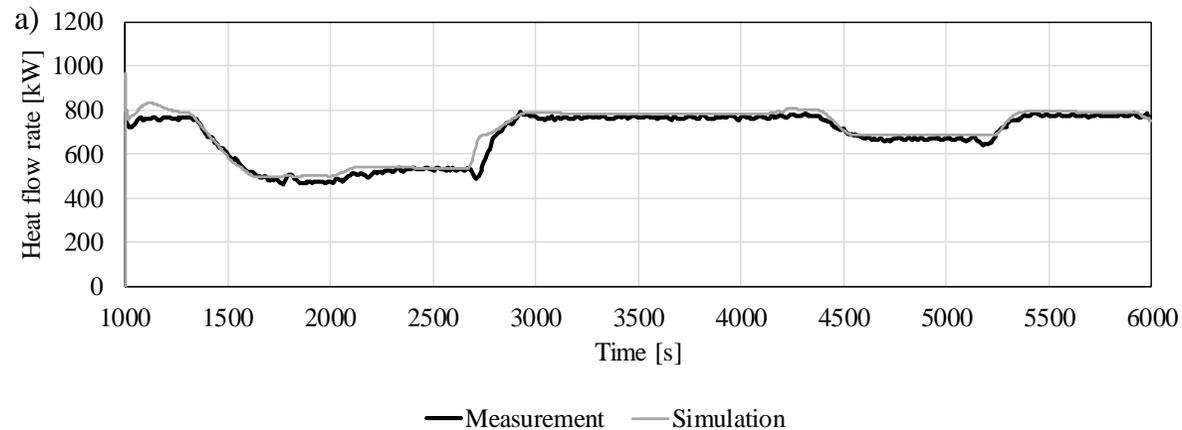


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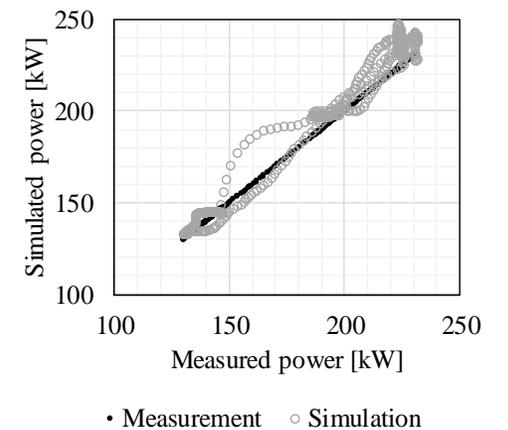
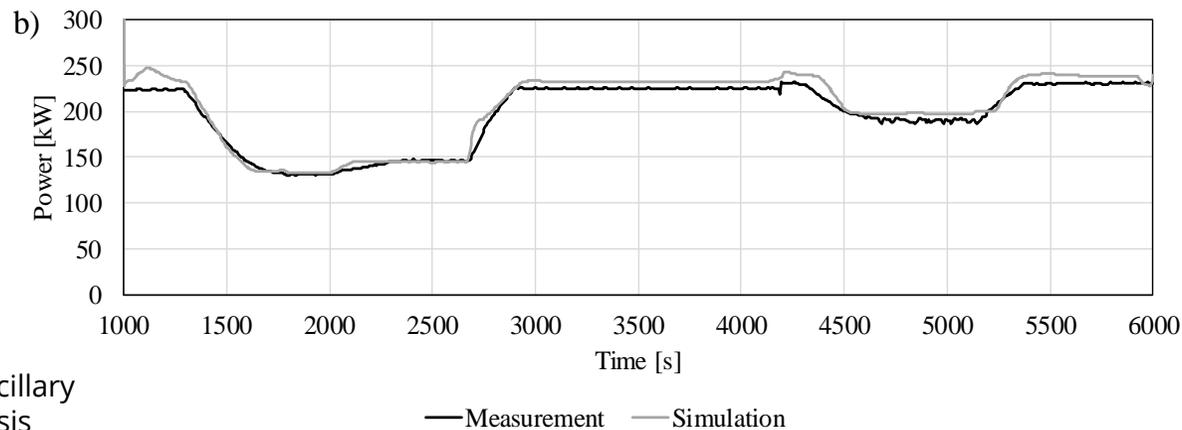


Analytical heat pump model - validation

Heat flow rate
(supplied to DH)



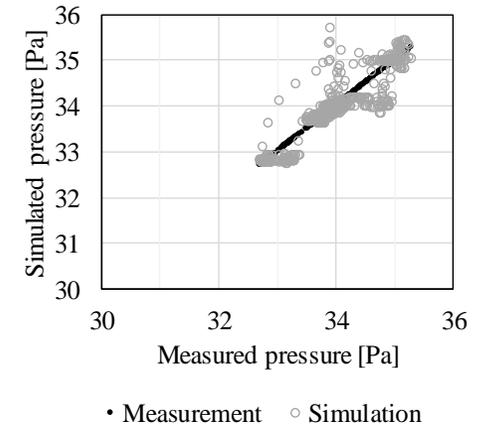
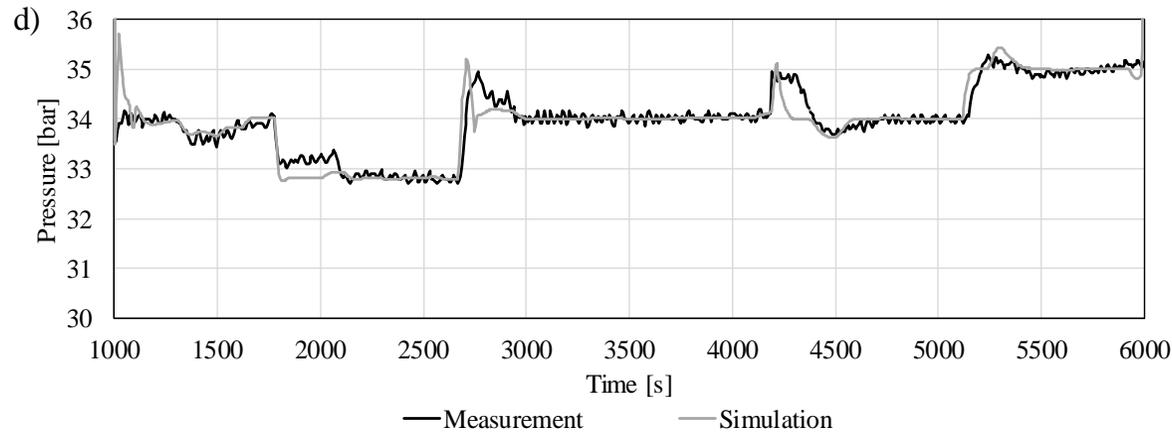
Accumulated
power uptake



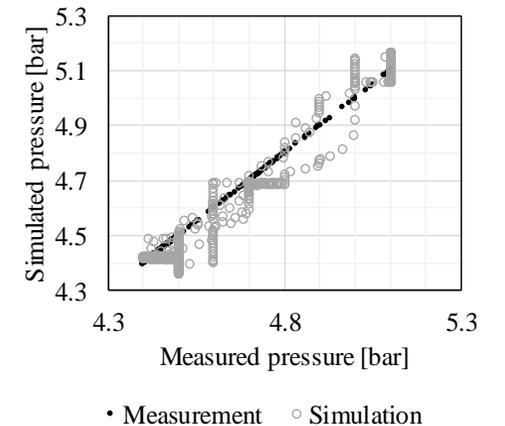
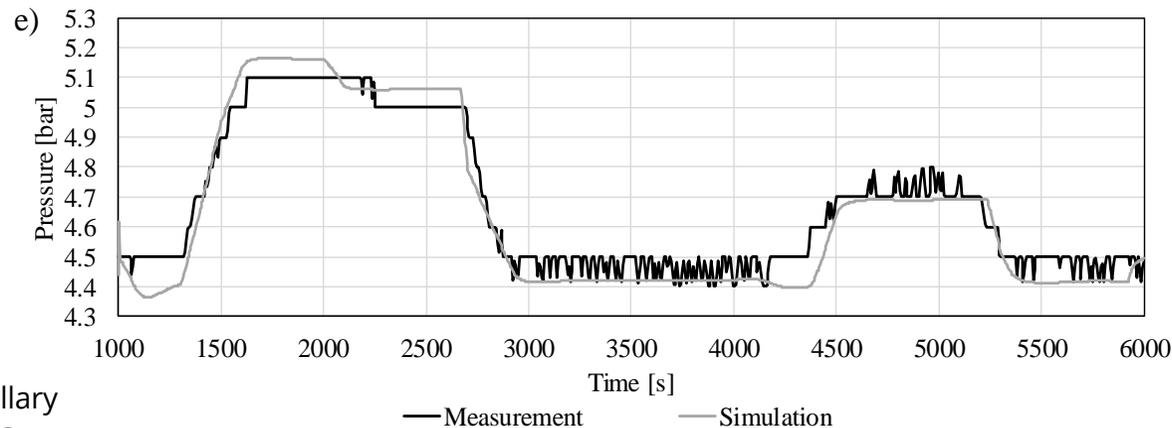


Analytical heat pump model - validation

Condensation
pressure



Evaporation
pressure





Model-based fault detection

Creating a model-based benchmark

Continuous comparison with measurements

Observation of deviations for identifying faults



Conclusions and Outlook

- Large-scale HP systems are key-components in integrated energy systems, where high performance and reliability are crucial
- Monitoring, fault detection and diagnosis and set-point optimization are promising services
- Hybrid modelling implies the possibility to model sophisticated models for wide range of applications at low implementation effort
- Analytical models were found to be promising for providing a benchmark



Thank you very much for your attention!

Questions or comments? Please reach out by mail or phone!



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