

Using Models and Control for Balancing the Fluctuating Wind and Solar Power

WP3 Flexibility Meeting

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in 200 hours (West DK)

in more than 1,000 hours







Concept

Indirect control of the aggregated consumption



- **1. Collect** data from experiments and simulations
- 2. Identify the consumption response to price using only external variables
- **3. Control** the aggregated consumption by sending out a price signal

Price responsivity

Flexibility is activated by adjusting the temperature reference (setpoint)



- **Standardized price** is the % of change from a price reference, computed as a mean of past prices with exponentially decaying weights.
- Occupancy mode contains a price sensitivity with its related comfort boundaries. 3 different modes of the household are identified (work, home, night)



Step 1: Collect data





Two data sources



Olympic Pensinsula project

- 27 houses during one year
- Flexible appliances: HVAC, cloth dryers and water boilers
- 5-min prices, 15-min consumption
- Objective: limit max consumption



Simulation framework

- Modular design
- Runge-Kutta solver (diff. equations)
- Scalable (linear computation time)

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- Variable sampling rate
- Open source (?)

Olympic Peninsula project

- Price-responsive and control group available for comparison
- Access to aggregated variables (mean, min, max and variance)
- Prices are the result of intersecting demand/supply curves in a shadow market
- Main flexibility source is heating/cooling





Simulation framework

- Occupancy modes are extracted from the Olympic Peninsula project
- Building and appliance parameters are randomized based on public statistics





Aggregation (over 20 houses)

Simulated data (sampling time: 5 min)





Step 2: Identify price response





Instant response



- The price response saturates for extreme prices
- The impact of a price change varies over one day

Step response

Model inputs: price, minute of day, outside temperature/dewpoint, sun irrandiance

Simulated



Olympic Peninsula





Step response

Dependency on season

Olympic Peninsula





Step 3: Control by price



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Adaptive control setup

As the system changes during time

$$\min_{p_{t,1},\ldots,p_{t,k}} \mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{k=1}^{K} w_{t,k} \left\| \hat{C}_{t,k}\left(p_{t,1},\ldots,p_{t,k},\mathcal{F}_{t}\right) - C_{t,k}^{*} \right\|^{2} \left| \mathcal{F}_{t} \right\}\right\}$$





Control performance

With a price penality avoiding its divergence

- Considerable reduction in max consumption
- Mean daily consumption shift



Advantages & Further work

Advantages

- One-way communication is enough
- Increased value for the consumer
- Generalisable to many appliances
- Can be used to manage grid congestion (even locally)

Further work

- Test controller on variable reference (e.g. wind production)
- Extend to non-linear price response models
- Incorporate uncertainty into the controller

Electricity price challenge







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