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# A Sector-coupling Spatial Optimization Model for the German Electricity Market

*Bringing Gas and Heat Into the Equation*



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# Extending ELMOD-DE by CHP and Natural Gas



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Open Source Electricity Model  
for Germany (ELMOD-DE)

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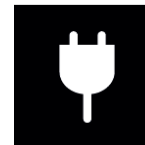
## ELMOD-DE (2016)

ELMOD-DE is an open source electricity market dispatch model for Germany, supplied with data for the year 2012.



## New Developments (2017)

- Update of all data to the year 2015
- Inclusion of CHP power plants
- Coupling with the natural gas market





# ELMOD-DE Electricity Market Model

## Features

- cost minimizing **linear (LP)** model written in GAMS
- hourly resolution (8760 hours)
- possibility to calculate single weeks
- block sharp representation of power plant portfolio
- fixed imports and exports for neighboring countries

## DC Load Flow

$$pf_{1,2} = G_l(V_1^2 - V_1 V_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)) + \hat{b}_l V_1 V_2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad (1)$$

$$\sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \approx \theta_1 - \theta_2 \quad (2a)$$

$$\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \approx 1 \quad (2b)$$

$$V_1 \approx V_2 \approx 1 \quad (2c)$$

$$pf_{1,2} = \hat{b}_l(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad (3)$$

$$|pf_{lt}| \leq \overline{pf}_l \quad \forall \quad l, t \quad (4a)$$

$$pf_{lt} = \sum_n \theta_{nt} h_{ln} \quad \forall \quad l, t \quad (4b)$$

$$ni_{nt} = \sum_k \theta_{kt} b_{nk} \quad \forall \quad n, t \quad (4c)$$

$$\theta_{nt} = 0 \quad \forall \quad t \quad (4d)$$

## Generation Cost Minimizing Objective Function

$$\min c = \sum_{pt} g_{pt}^{\text{unit}} c_{pt}^{\text{unit}} \quad (5)$$

## Nodal Energy Balance

$$\sum_{p \in P_n} g_{pt}^{\text{unit}} + \sum_i r_{nit}^{\text{tech}} + \sum_{s \in S_n} \vec{ps}_{st} + ni_{nt} = q_{nt} + \sum_{s \in S_n} \overleftarrow{ps}_{st} \quad \forall \quad n, t \quad (6)$$

## Generation Constraints

$$g_{pt}^{\text{unit}} \leq \overline{g}_p^{\text{unit}} av_{pt}^{\text{unit}} \quad \forall \quad p, t \quad (7a)$$

$$r_{nit}^{\text{tech}} \leq \overline{r}_{nit}^{\text{tech}} av_{nit}^{\text{tech}} \quad \forall \quad n, i, t \quad (7b)$$

## PSP Storage Constraints

$$\vec{ps}_{st} + \overleftarrow{ps}_{st} \leq \overline{ps}_s \quad \forall \quad s, t \quad (8a)$$

$$ls_{st} \leq \overline{ls}_s \quad \forall \quad s, t \quad (8b)$$

$$ls_{st} = 0.75 \overleftarrow{ps}_{st} - \vec{ps}_{st} + ls_{s(t-1)} \quad \forall \quad s, t \quad (8c)$$

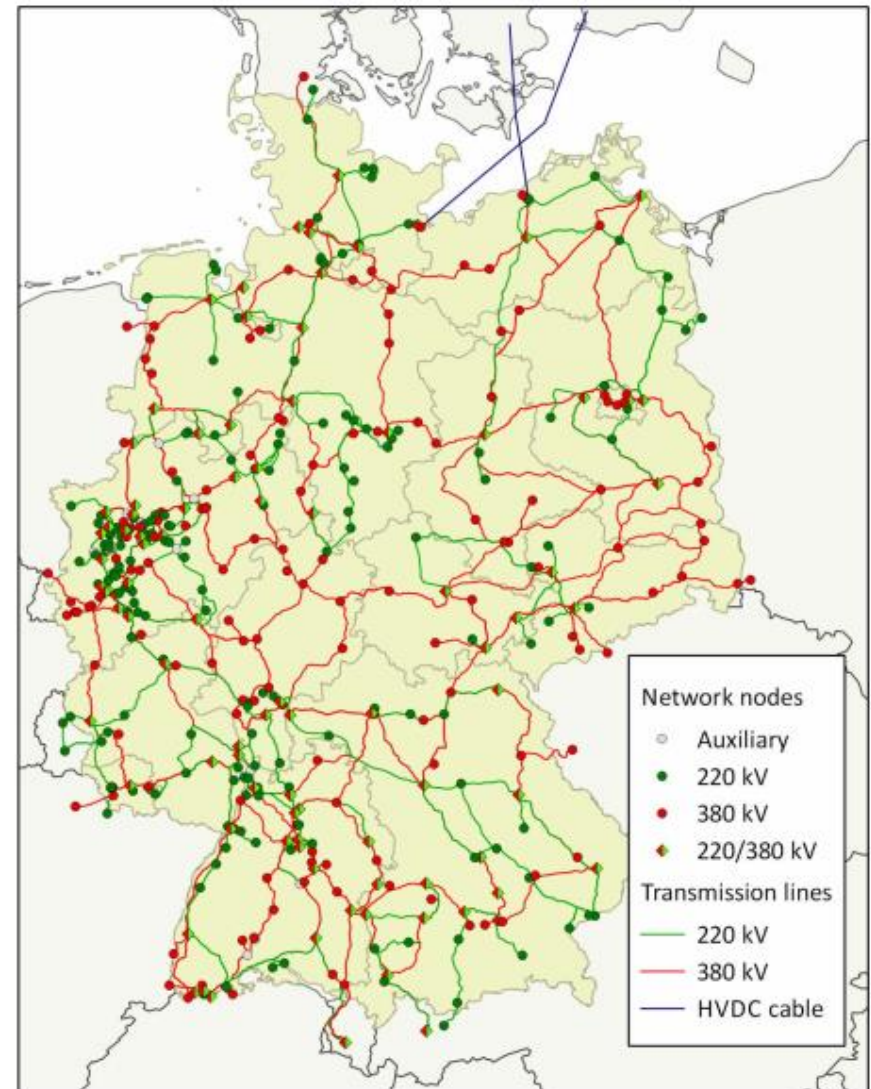


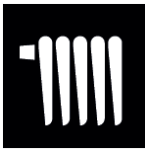
# Input Data ELMOD-DE

## Update to 2015 data

Type	Data description	References <sup>10</sup>
Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Topology according to network plans</li> <li>- Geo-referenced data for nodes and lines</li> <li>- Technical parameters overhead power lines</li> </ul>	VDE & TSOs OpenStreetMap (2013) Kießling et al. (2001)
Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Load level of Germany (hourly)</li> <li>- Adjustment to statistic of annual demand</li> <li>- Spatial allocation to network nodes with statistic on population and GDP</li> </ul>	ENTSO-E (2013) BDEW (2013) Eurostat (EC, 2013) on NUTS 3 level
Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Power plant list for the German system</li> <li>- Renewable data of the EEG support scheme</li> <li>- Price data for fossil fuels (monthly)</li> <li>- Price data for CO<sub>2</sub> certificates (daily)</li> <li>- Coal transport cost (dena zones)</li> </ul>	BNetzA (2013) TSOs Kohlenwirtschaft e.V. EEX (2013) Frontier & Consentec
Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physical cross-border flows (hourly)</li> </ul>	TSOs and ENTSO-E
Availability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Regional time series for wind and PV (hourly)</li> </ul>	TSOs

Table 2: Overview on institutions for data sources





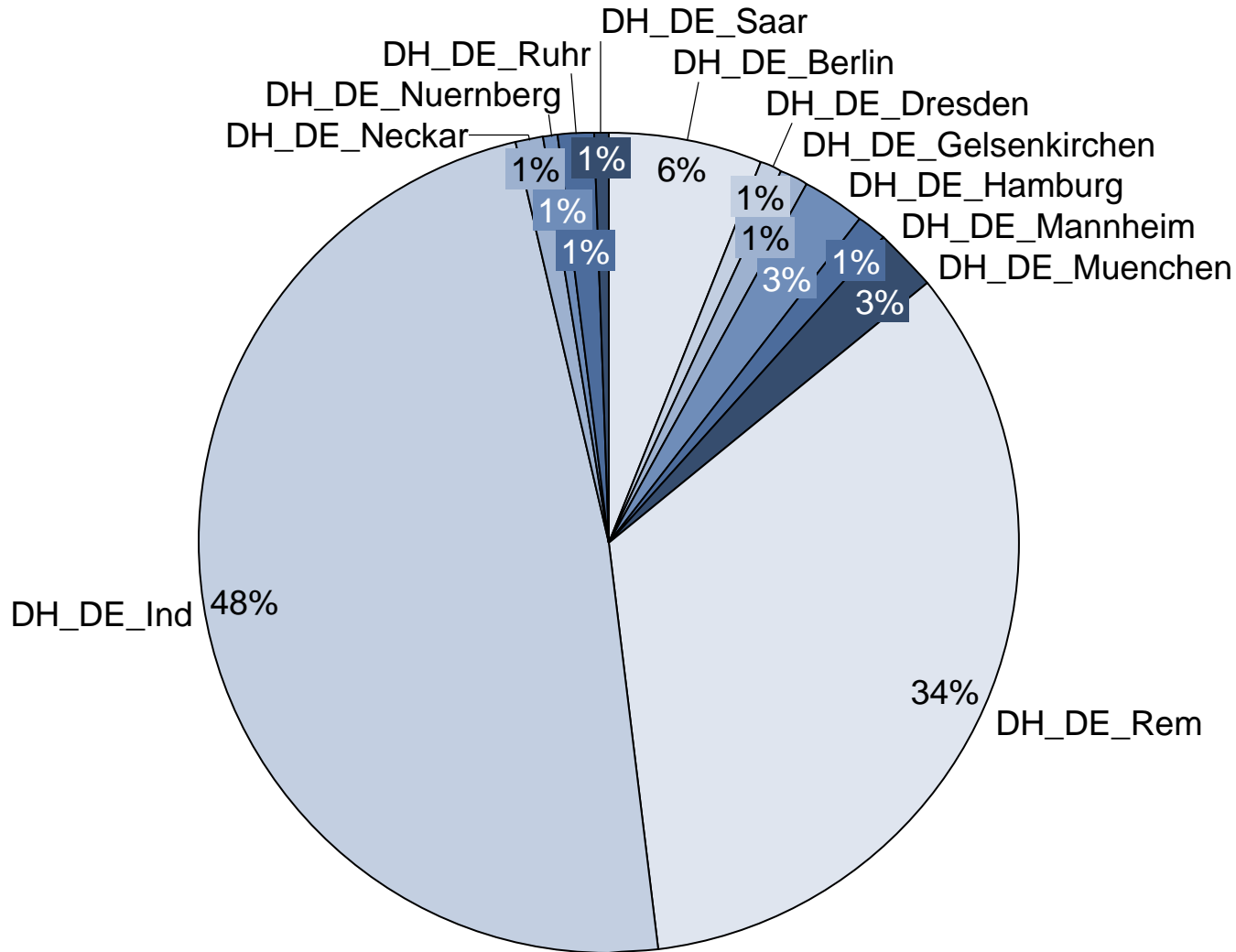
# CHP: pooling for district heating

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- **Idea: modeling pools of CHP plants in district heating networks with common minimum heat production constraints for household demands**
  - modeling must-run conditions for CHP plants decreases their production flexibility (more realistic – was not yet included in the original ELMOD-DE)
  - (incomplete) inclusion of pools for district heating increases the flexibility
  - problem: (open) data basis – the ten biggest district heating systems only account for about 35% of household heat demand
  - is the effort and increased complexity of the model worth the outcome?

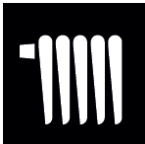


# Data Input: Heat Demand Time Series

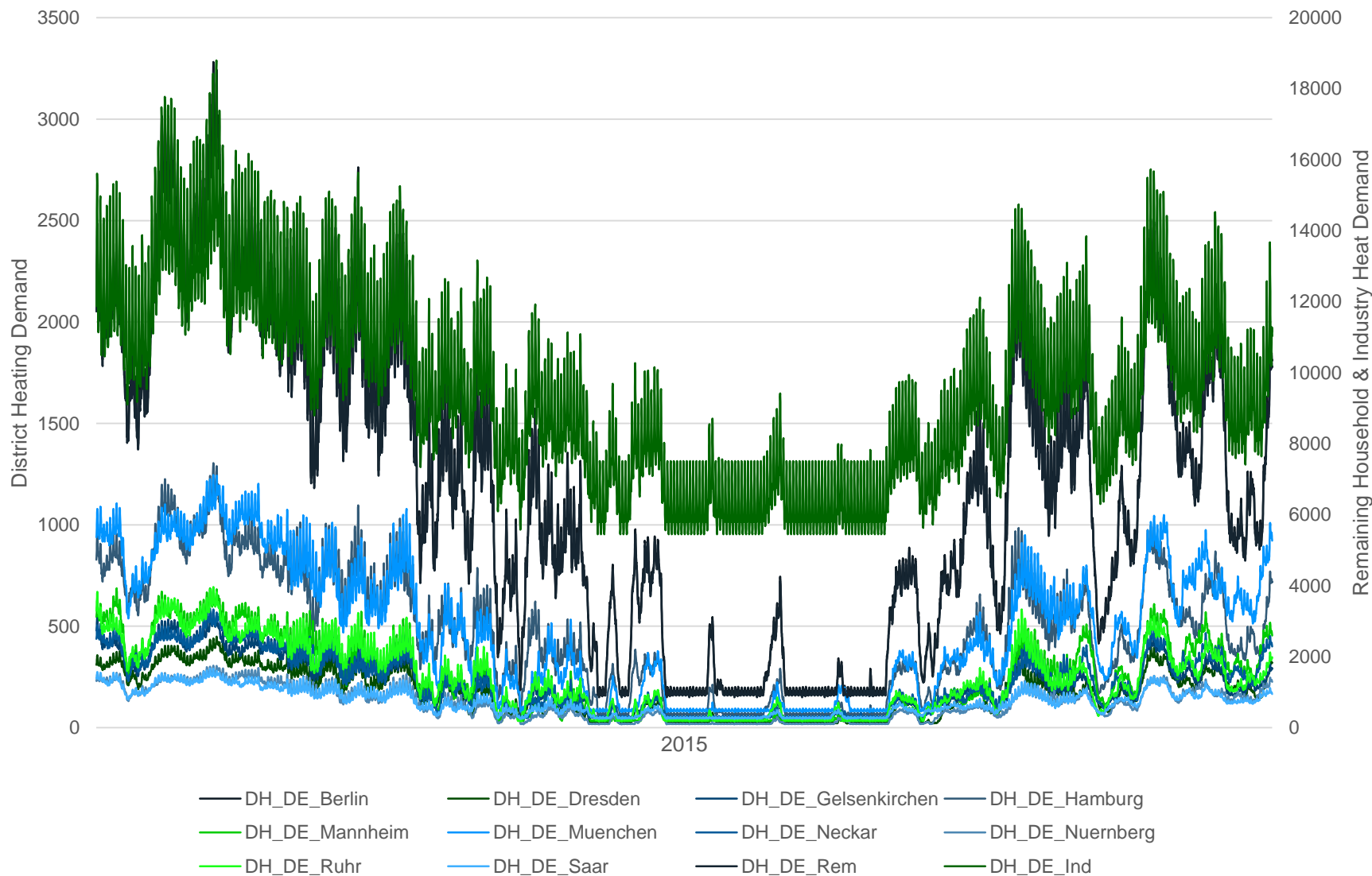


Network	Q [TWh]
DH_DE_Berlin	10.36
DH_DE_Dresden	1.47
DH_DE_Gelsenkirchen	1.83
DH_DE_Hamburg	4.09
DH_DE_Mannheim	2.19
DH_DE_Muenchen	4.25
DH_DE_Rem	57.90
DH_DE_Ind	82.10
DH_DE_Neckar	1.92
DH_DE_Nuernberg	1.03
DH_DE_Ruhr	2.11
DH_DE_Saar	1.10





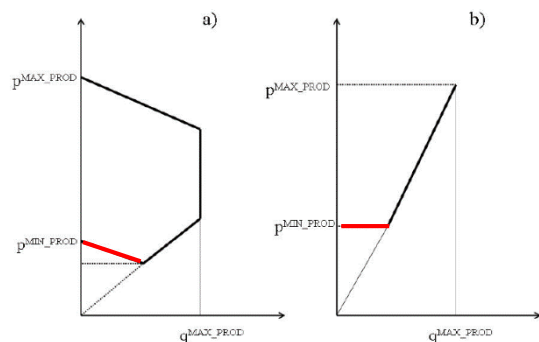
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# CHP and District Heating

## Extraction-condensing and backpressure turbines



Simplified PQ-chart for a) extraction-condensing turbines and b) back pressure turbines (Source: WILMAR)

$$P \leq p_{\text{max}} - \gamma \times Q$$

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$$P \geq p_{\text{min}} - \gamma \times Q$$

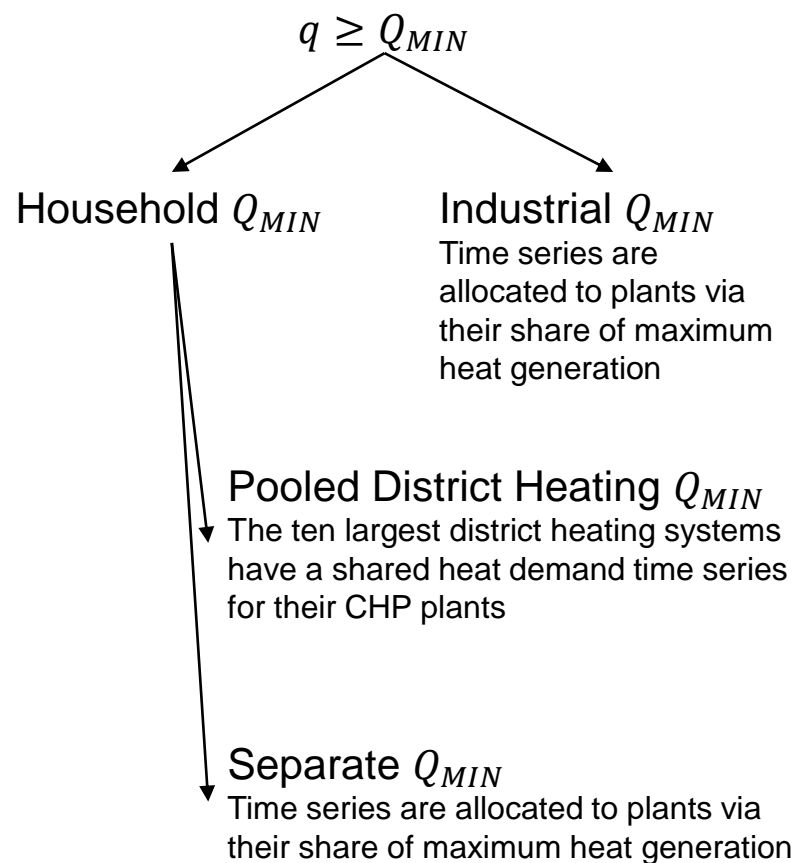
$$P \geq p_{\text{min}}$$

$$P \geq \delta \times Q$$

$$P = \delta \times Q$$

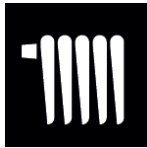
$$Q \leq q_{\text{max}}$$

## Heat Demand

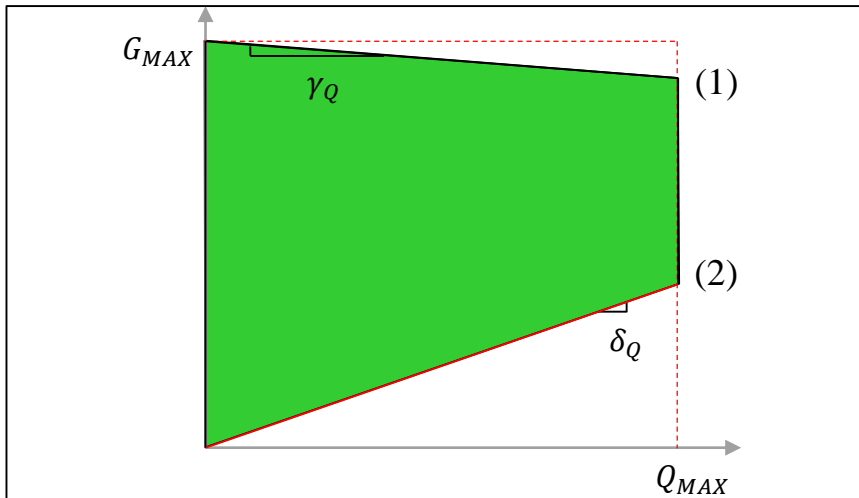


All parameters and variables dependent on time and production unit/district heating pool





# CHP and District Heating



## Extraction-condensing turbines (EXT)

$$g \leq G_{MAX} - \gamma_Q \times q \quad (1)$$

$$g \geq \delta_Q \times q \quad (2)$$

$$q \leq Q_{MAX}$$

## Backpressure turbines (BKP)

$$g \leq G_{MAX}$$

$$g = \delta_Q \times q \quad (2)$$

$$q \leq Q_{MAX}$$

## Heat Demand

$$q \geq Q_{MIN}$$

Household  $Q_{MIN}$

Industrial  $Q_{MIN}$

Time series are allocated to plants via their share of maximum heat generation

Pooled District Heating  $Q_{MIN}$

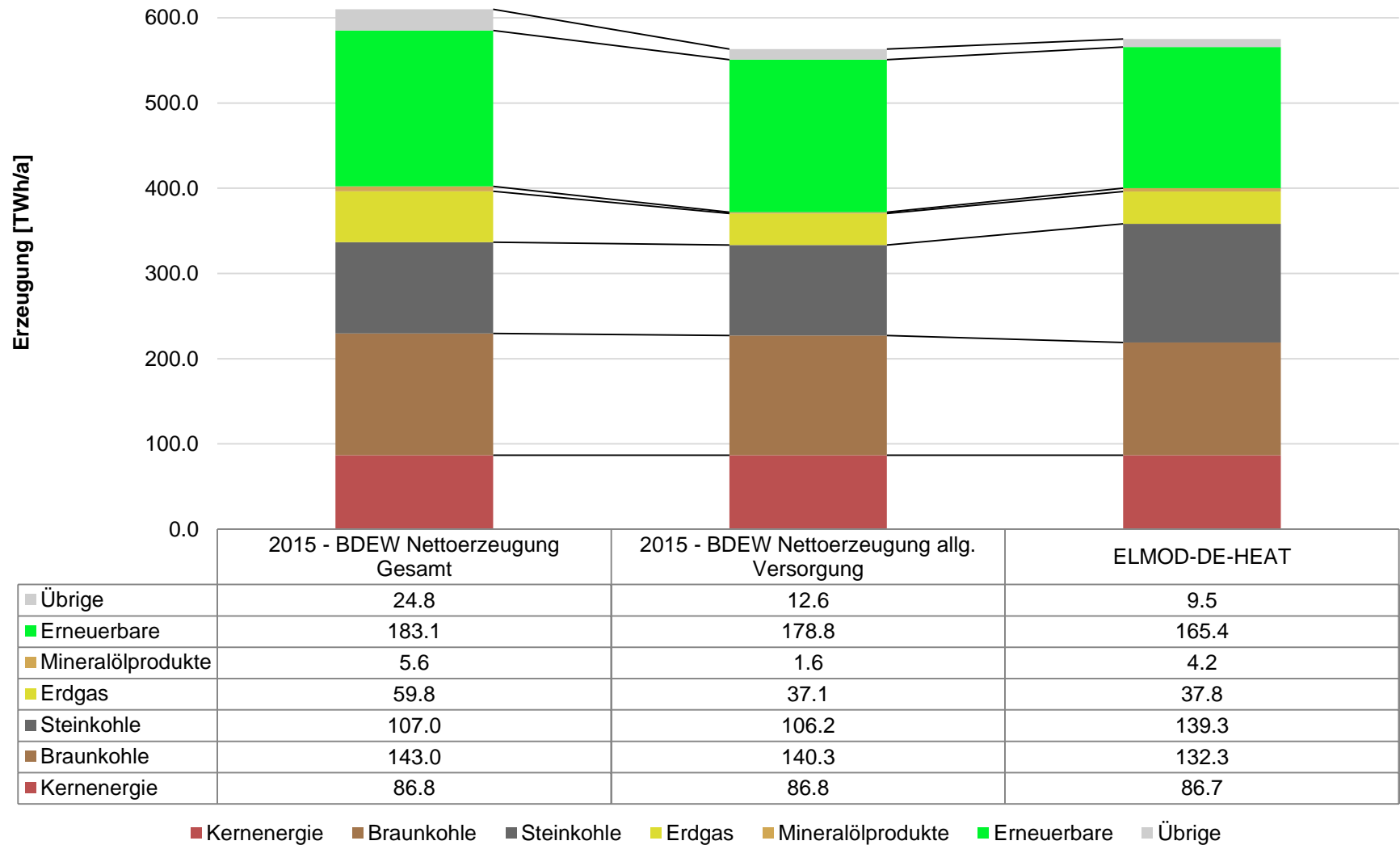
The ten largest district heating systems have a shared heat demand time series for their CHP plants

Separate  $Q_{MIN}$

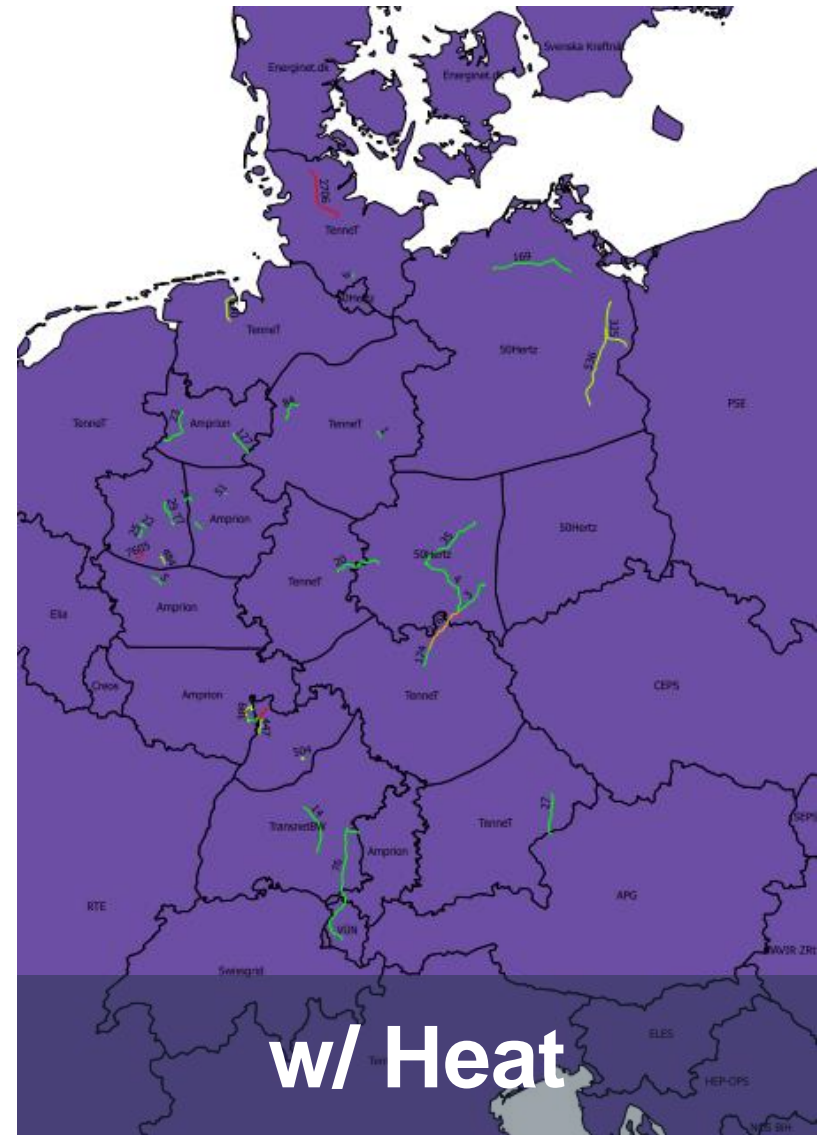
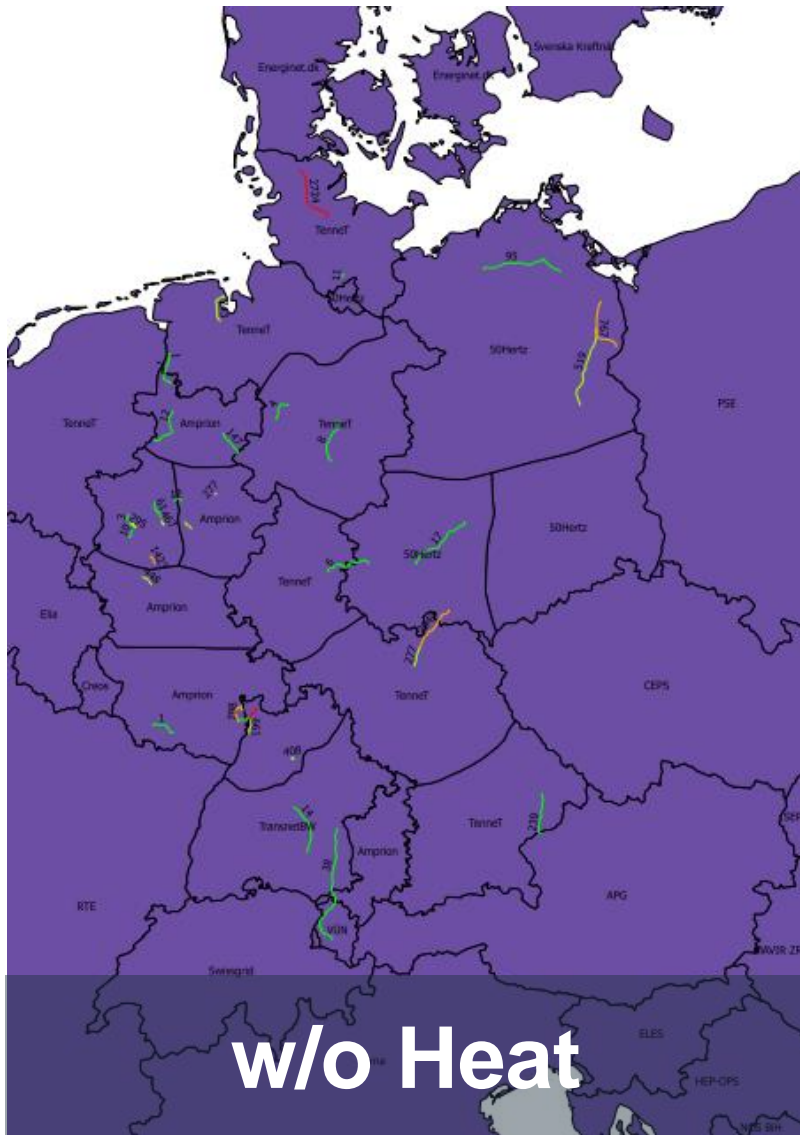
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# ELMOD-DE-HEAT: Preliminary Results & Validation

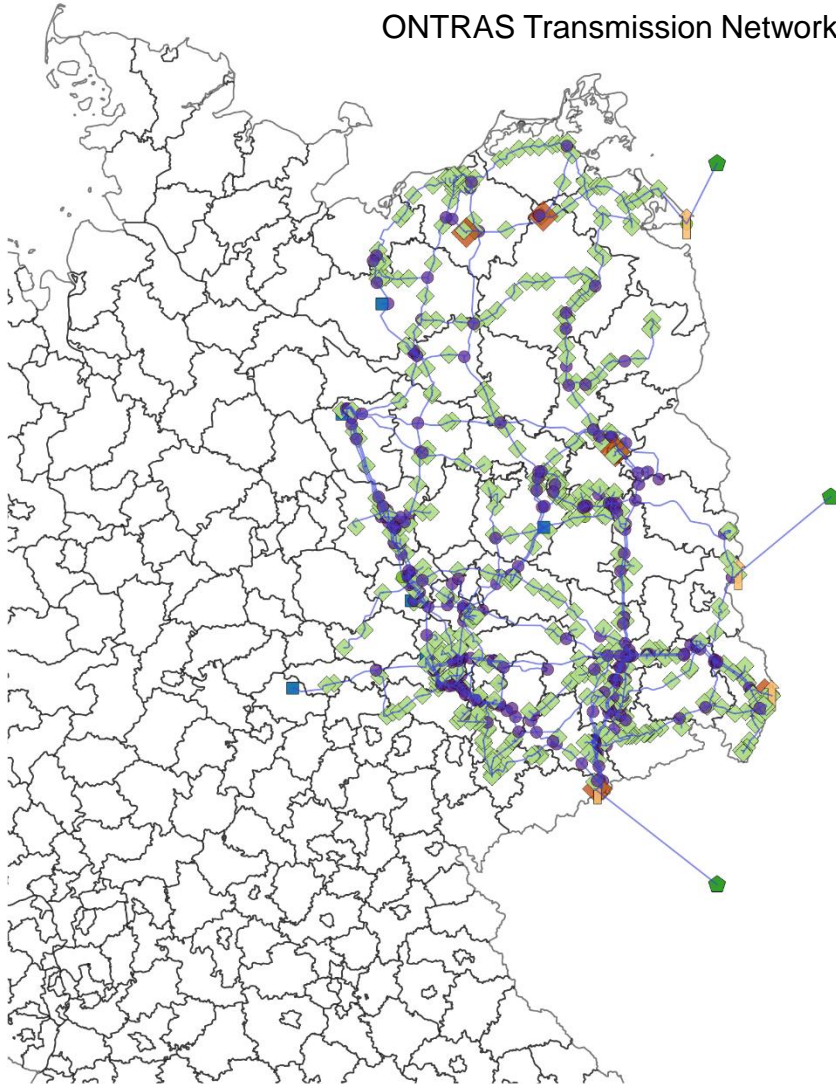


# ELMOD-DE-HEAT: Preliminary Results & Validation



# Natural Gas Transmission Grid

ONTRAS Transmission Network



- **Relevance:** the natural gas network can be used as a short and long term storage facility – there might be some limitations though...
- **Challenge:** find a linearized representation of the gas flows, pressures and pipe contents

- **Objective:** linearized min costs of operating the network (i.e. energy usage of compressors) – to be included in the overall objective

$$N' = \frac{QP_i}{(2/3 P_i + 1/3 P_u)^2} P'_u - \frac{QP_u}{(2/3 P_i + 1/3 P_u)^2} P'_i + \frac{P_u - P_i}{(2/3 P_i + 1/3 P_u)^2} Q'$$

- **Constraints:**

- Supply capacity – flow out of supply nodes cannot exceed capacity
- Demand – flow into demand nodes cannot exceed demand

$$\sum_{j \in O(n)} f_{gj} \leq G_g \quad \sum_{j \in I(m)} f_{jm} \leq D_m$$

- Mass balance (Kirchoff's first law) – flow into transportation node has to equal flow out of transportation node

$$\sum_{i \in I(j)} f_{ij} = \sum_{n \in O(j)} f_{jn}$$

- Pressure constraint – Weymouth equation for long pipelines with high pressure

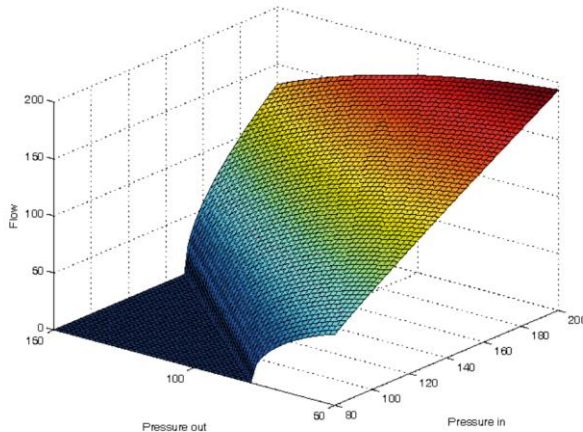
$$W_{ij}(p_{ij}^{in}, p_{ij}^{out}) = K_{ij}^W \sqrt{p_{ij}^{in^2} - p_{ij}^{out^2}}$$

$K_{ij}^W$  is the Weymouth constant for the pipeline (i.e. length, diameter, ...)

## – Constraints:

- Pressure constraint – linearization of the Weymouth equation with L linear constraints around a set of points (PI, PO)

$$f_{ij} \leq K_{ij}^W \frac{PI_l}{\sqrt{PI_l^2 - PO_l^2}} p_{ij}^{in} - K_{ij}^W \frac{PO_l}{\sqrt{PI_l^2 - PO_l^2}} p_{ij}^{out}$$



**Fig. 3.** A three-dimensional illustration of how the Weymouth relates pressure at the inlet and outlet points to the capacity in the pipeline.

Source: Tomasgard, A. et. al. (2007): „Optimization Models for the Natural Gas Value Chain“, pp. 521-558 in: *Geometric Modelling, Numerical Simulation, and Optimization*, Springer, Berlin, [http://link.springer.com/10.1007/978-3-540-68783-2\\_16](http://link.springer.com/10.1007/978-3-540-68783-2_16)

- Compression – The compression factor  $\Gamma(f_n) = \left( \frac{W^{max} \eta (K_a - 1)}{100 K_a f_n} + 1 \right)^{\frac{K_a}{K_a - 1}}$  dependent on the flow can be simplified to a constant –  $\Gamma_n p_{jn}^{out} \geq p_{ni}^{in}$



# Conclusion and Outlook

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- **ELMOD-DE has been extended by a linear representation for CHP plants and a new output variable for natural gas calculations.**
- **The results improved, having a better match in the backtesting with actual electricity production.**
- **The model code in GAMS and the used data set for the year 2015 will be published open source by the end of the year.**
- **Next step: implementation of the gas transmission network model.**



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