



From Energy Systems to Material Science: Optimization as a Common Denominator for a Sustainable Future

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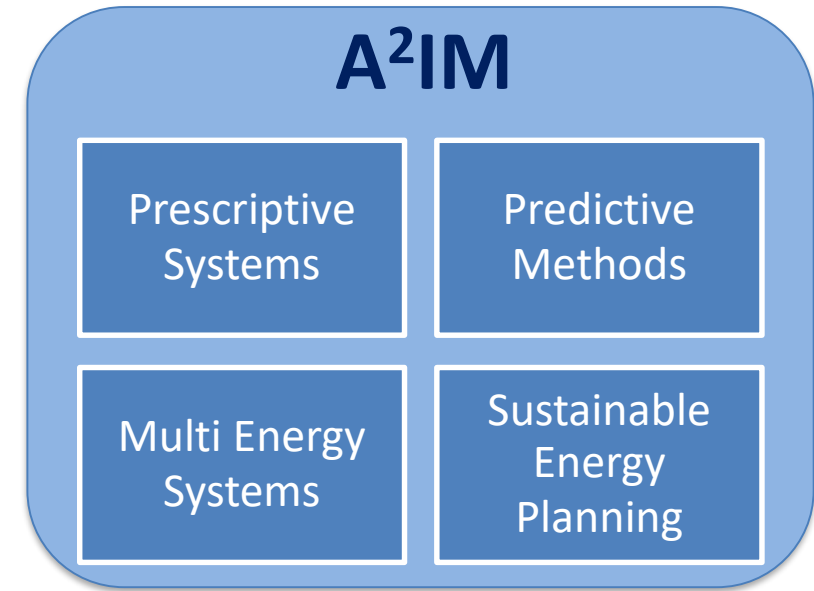
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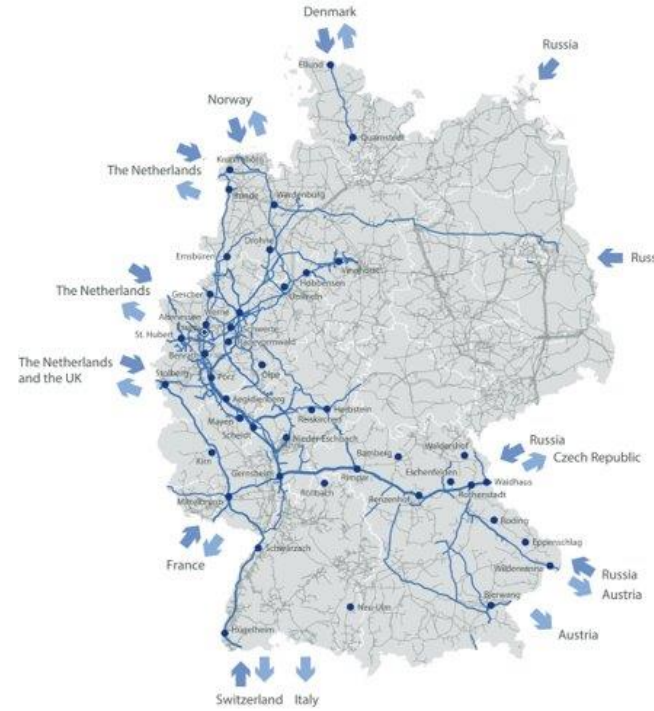


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- The A²IM department is applying advanced AI methods from Mathematical Optimization and Machine Learning to explore new smart algorithmic solutions for real-world problems.
- Our research is concerned, in particular, with better planning, extension, and control of vital and complex infrastructure networks.

German Gas Network: The Heart of European Gas Transport

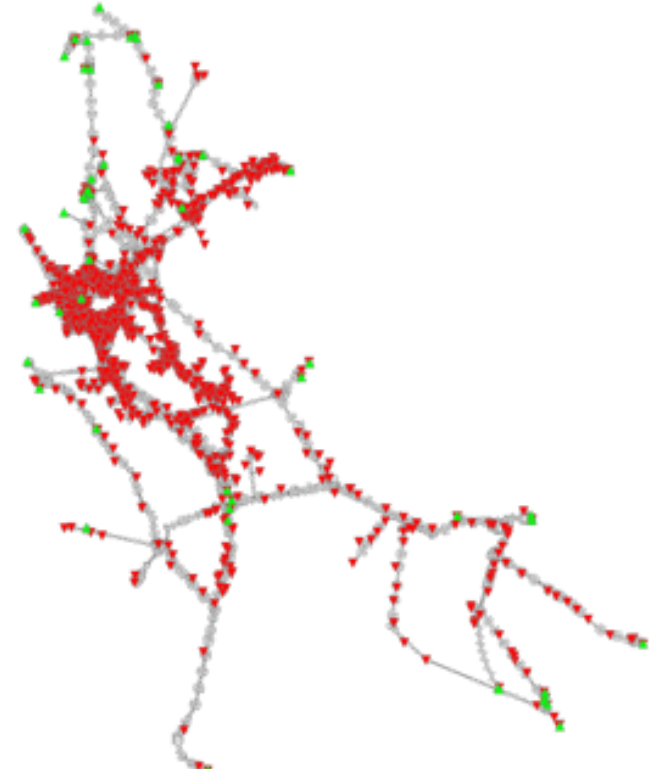
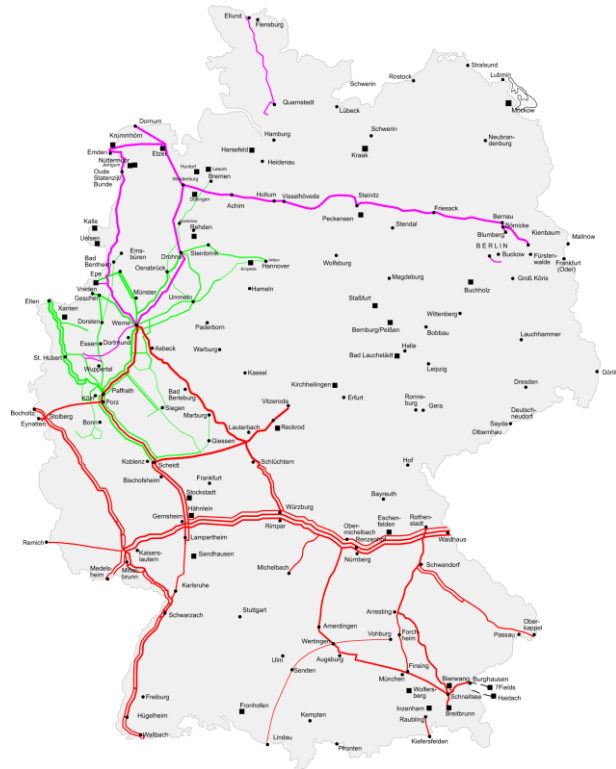


Impact on decision making process:

- Experience from the past is obsolete
- Not sufficient historical data for new scenarios

Critical infrastructure to supply Central, Southern and Western Europe with natural gas

- Operates the longest network of pipelines in Germany ~ 12,000 km
- More than 450 customers
- 120 billion kWh of energy transported every month
- ~ 25% of the total energy demand in Germany/Europe is supplied by natural gas
- In order to guarantee a secure supply in the future, further IT systems are needed to support the dispatcher



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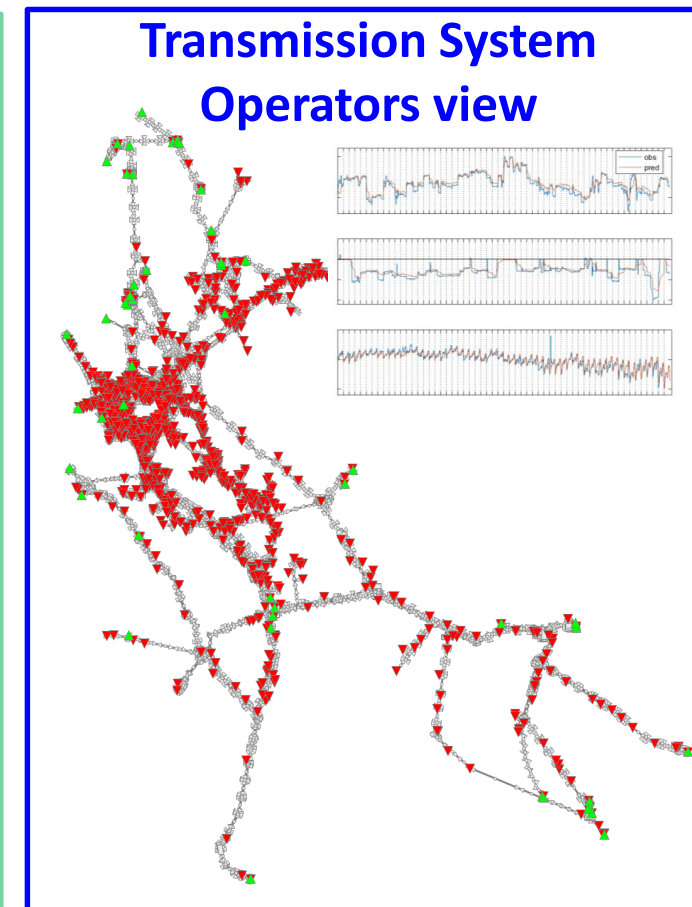
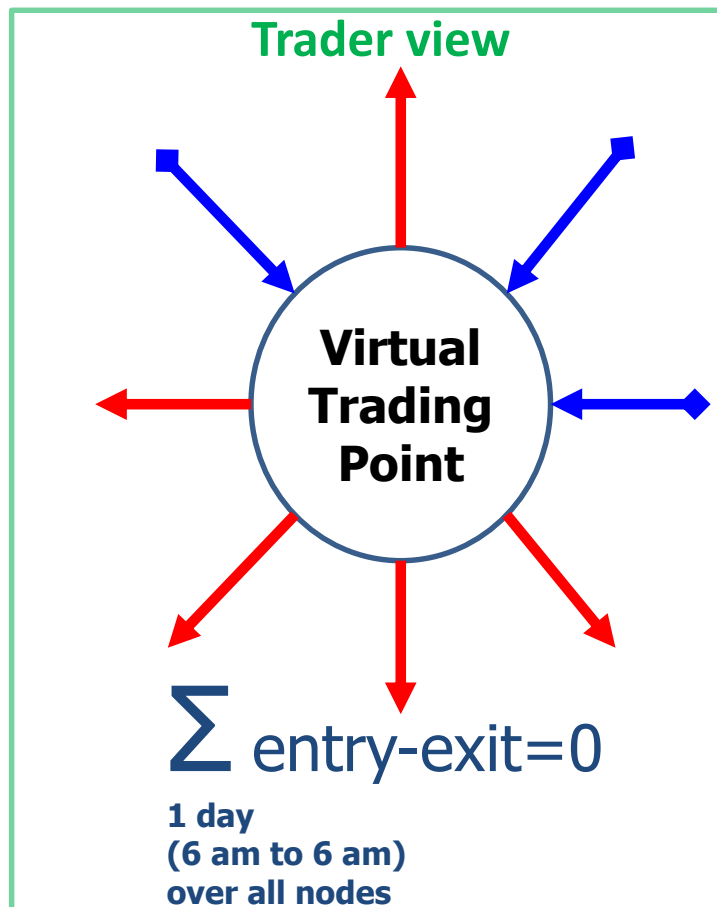
The Unbounded European Gas Market since 2009

Gas Trading Companies \cap Transport System Operators = \emptyset

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Traders buy and sell gas | transmission system operators transport it.

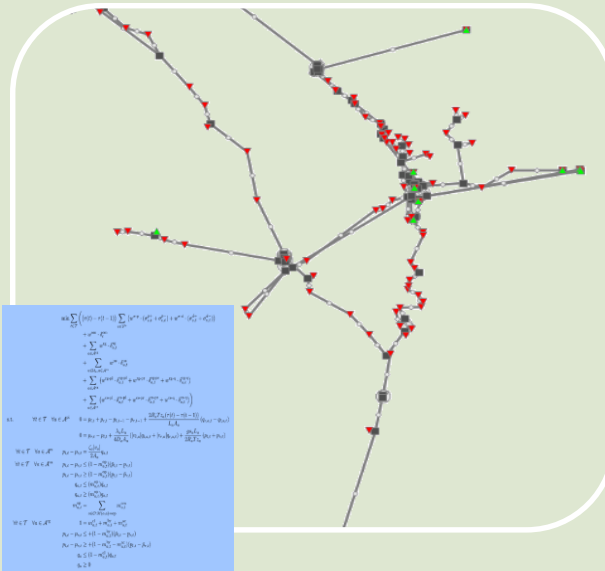
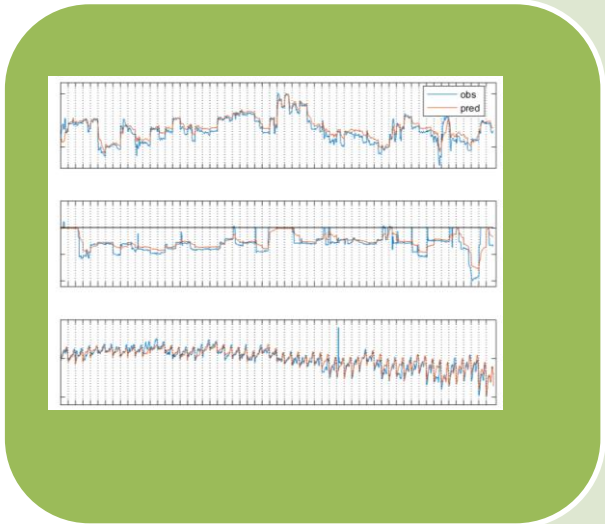
- ▶ Capacity products are typically either **firm** = sure deliver **or flexible** = best effort
- ▶ The traders give transport orders to the TSO within the limits of the acquired capacity.
- ▶ The TSO then has to fulfill the order accordingly.



Forecast

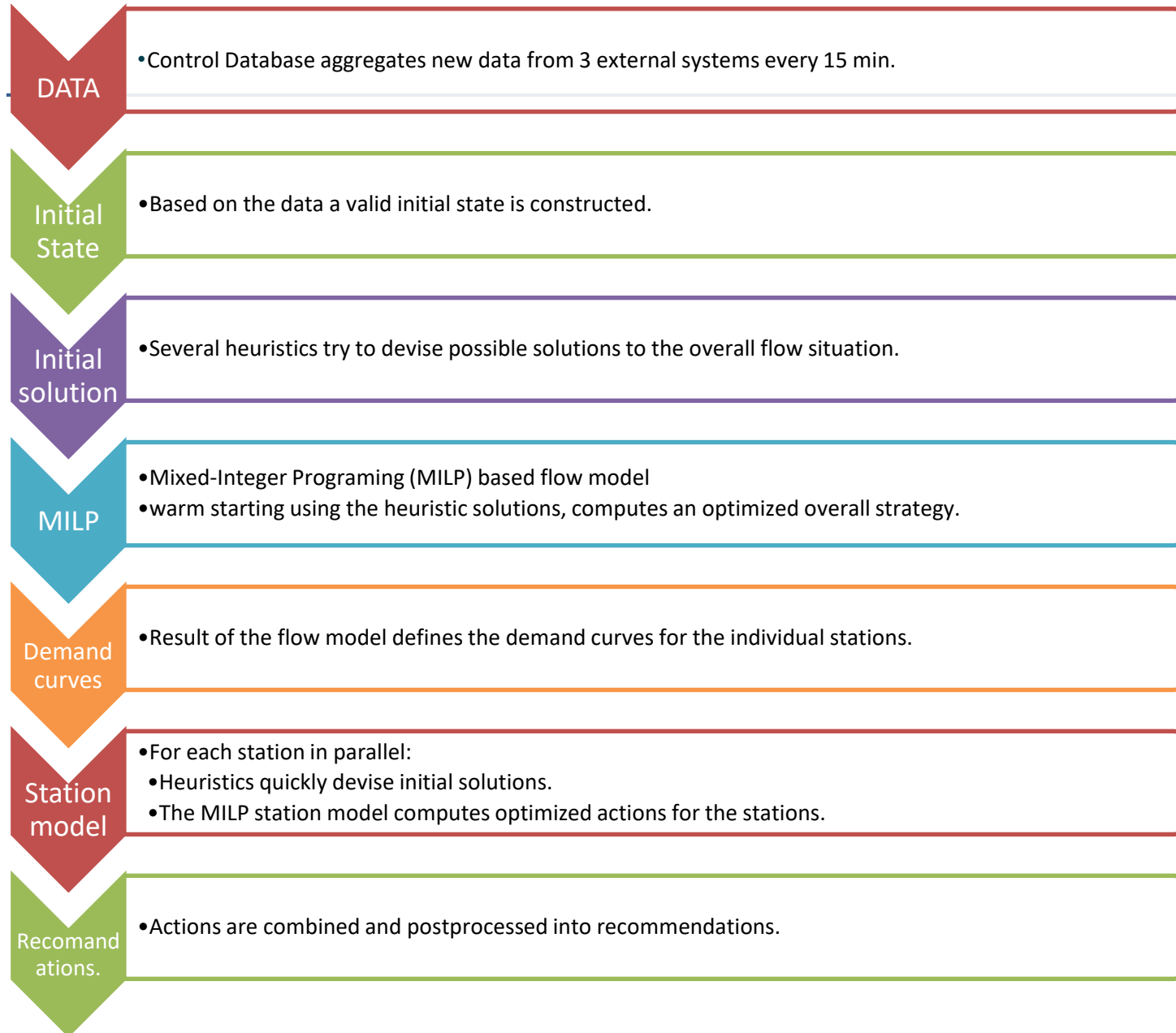
Flow Model

Station Model



- Station Mittelbrunn
- Station Stolberg
- Station Gernsheim
- Station Scheidt
- ...

Recomandations



The KOMPASS near real-time Decision Support System

Mixed-Integer Program for Optimal Network Control

$$\min \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \left((\tau(t) - \tau(t-1)) \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}^b} (w^{\sigma-p} \cdot (\sigma_{v,t}^{p+} + \sigma_{v,t}^{p-}) + w^{\sigma-d} \cdot (\sigma_{v,t}^{d+} + \sigma_{v,t}^{d-})) \right. \\ \left. + w^{\text{om}} \cdot \delta_t^{\text{om}} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{rg}}} w^{\text{rg}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{rg}} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{u \in \mathcal{U}_a, a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{cs}}} w^{\text{us}} \cdot \delta_{u,t}^{\text{us}} \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{rg}}} (w^{\text{rg-pl}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{rg-pl}} + w^{\text{rg-pr}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{rg-pr}} + w^{\text{rg-q}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{rg-q}}) \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{cs}}} (w^{\text{cs-pl}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{cs-pl}} + w^{\text{cs-pr}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{cs-pr}} + w^{\text{cs-q}} \cdot \delta_{a,t}^{\text{cs-q}}) \right)$$

Objective function

Momentum equation

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}} \quad 0 = p_{l,t} + p_{r,t} - p_{l,t-1} - p_{r,t-1} + \frac{2R_s T z_a (\tau(t) - \tau(t-1))}{L_a A_a} (q_{r,a,t} - q_{l,a,t})$$

Pressure loss

$$0 = p_{r,t} - p_{l,t} + \frac{\lambda_a L_a}{4D_a A_a} (|v_{l,a}| q_{l,a,t} + |v_{r,a}| q_{r,a,t}) + \frac{g_s L_a}{2R_s T z_a} (p_{l,t} + p_{r,t})$$

Resistor constraint

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{rs}} \quad p_{l,t} - p_{r,t} = \frac{\zeta_a |v_a|}{2A_a} q_{a,t}$$

Valves

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{va}} \quad p_{l,t} - p_{r,t} \leq (1 - m_{a,t}^{\text{op}})(\bar{p}_{l,t} - \bar{p}_{r,t})$$

$$p_{l,t} - p_{r,t} \geq (1 - m_{a,t}^{\text{op}})(\bar{p}_{l,t} - \bar{p}_{r,t})$$

$$q_{a,t} \leq (m_{a,t}^{\text{op}}) \bar{q}_{a,t}$$

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$$m_{a,t}^{\text{op}} = \sum_{o \in \mathcal{O}: M(o,a)=\text{op}} m_{o,t}^{\text{om}}$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{rg}}$$

$$1 = m_{a,t}^{\text{cl}} + m_{a,t}^{\text{by}} + m_{a,t}^{\text{ac}}$$

$$p_{l,t} - p_{r,t} \leq (1 - m_{a,t}^{\text{by}})(\bar{p}_{l,t} - \bar{p}_{r,t})$$

$$p_{l,t} - p_{r,t} \geq (1 - m_{a,t}^{\text{by}} - m_{a,t}^{\text{ac}})(\bar{p}_{l,t} - \bar{p}_{r,t})$$

$$q_a \leq (1 - m_{a,t}^{\text{cl}}) \bar{q}_{a,t}$$

$$q_a \geq 0$$

Regulators

Compressor station

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{cs}}$$

$$1 = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}_a} m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} + m_{a,t}^{\text{by}} + m_{a,t}^{\text{cl}}$$

$$p_{l,t} = p_{a,t}^{\text{by}} + p_{a,t}^{\text{l-cl}} + \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}_a} p_{c,a,t}^{\text{l-cf}}$$

$$p_{r,t} = p_{a,t}^{\text{by}} + p_{a,t}^{\text{r-cl}} + \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}_a} p_{c,a,t}^{\text{r-cf}}$$

$$q_{a,t} = q_{a,t}^{\text{by}} + \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}_a} q_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}}$$

$$p_{c,a,t}^{\text{l-cf}} m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} \leq p_{c,a,t}^{\text{l-cl}} \leq p_{c,a,t}^{\text{l-cf}} m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} \quad \forall c \in \mathcal{C}_a$$

$$p_{c,a,t}^{\text{r-cf}} m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} \leq p_{c,a,t}^{\text{r-cl}} \leq p_{c,a,t}^{\text{r-cf}} m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} \quad \forall c \in \mathcal{C}_a$$

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$$w \cdot p_{c,a,t}^{\text{l-cf}} + x \cdot p_{c,a,t}^{\text{r-cf}} + y \cdot q_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} + z m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} \leq 0 \quad \forall (w,x,y,z) \in \mathcal{H}_c \quad \forall c \in \mathcal{C}_a$$

Station selection

$$m_{a,t}^{\text{by}} = \sum_{o \in \mathcal{O}: M(o,a)=\text{by}} m_{o,t}^{\text{om}}$$

$$m_{a,t}^{\text{cl}} = \sum_{o \in \mathcal{O}: M(o,a)=\text{cl}} m_{o,t}^{\text{om}}$$

$$m_{c,a,t}^{\text{cf}} = \sum_{o \in \mathcal{O}: M(o,a)=c} m_{o,t}^{\text{om}} \quad \forall c \in \mathcal{C}_a$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad 1 = \sum_{o \in \mathcal{O}} m_{o,t}^{\text{om}}$$

$$1 = \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}$$

Flow conservation and demand

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}^b \quad 0 = \sum_{(l,v)=a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{v,a,t} - \sum_{(v,r)=a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{v,a,t}$$

$$+ \sum_{(l,v)=a \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{a,t} - \sum_{(v,r)=a \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{a,t} + d_{v,t}$$

$$d_{v,t} \geq (1 - \sum_{f=(f^+,f^-) \in \mathcal{F}: v \notin f^-} m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}) \bar{d}_{v,t}$$

$$d_{v,t} \leq (1 - \sum_{f=(f^+,f^-) \in \mathcal{F}: v \notin f^+} m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}) \bar{d}_{v,t}$$

$$\hat{p}_{v,t} = p_{v,t} - \sigma_{v,t}^{p+} + \sigma_{v,t}^{p-}$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}^0 \quad 0 = \sum_{(l,v)=a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{v,a,t} - \sum_{(v,r)=a \in \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{v,a,t}$$

$$+ \sum_{(l,v)=a \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{a,t} - \sum_{(v,r)=a \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{A}^{\text{pi}}} q_{a,t}$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall o \in \mathcal{O} \quad m_{o,t}^{\text{om}} \leq \sum_{(o,f) \in \mathcal{O}\mathcal{F}} m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{V}^{\text{b-ex}} \quad p_{v,t} \leq \bar{p}_v^{\text{exit}} + (1 - \sum_{f=(f^+,f^-) \in \mathcal{F}: v \in f^-} m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}) (\bar{p}_{v,t} - \bar{p}_v^{\text{exit}})$$

Exit pressure

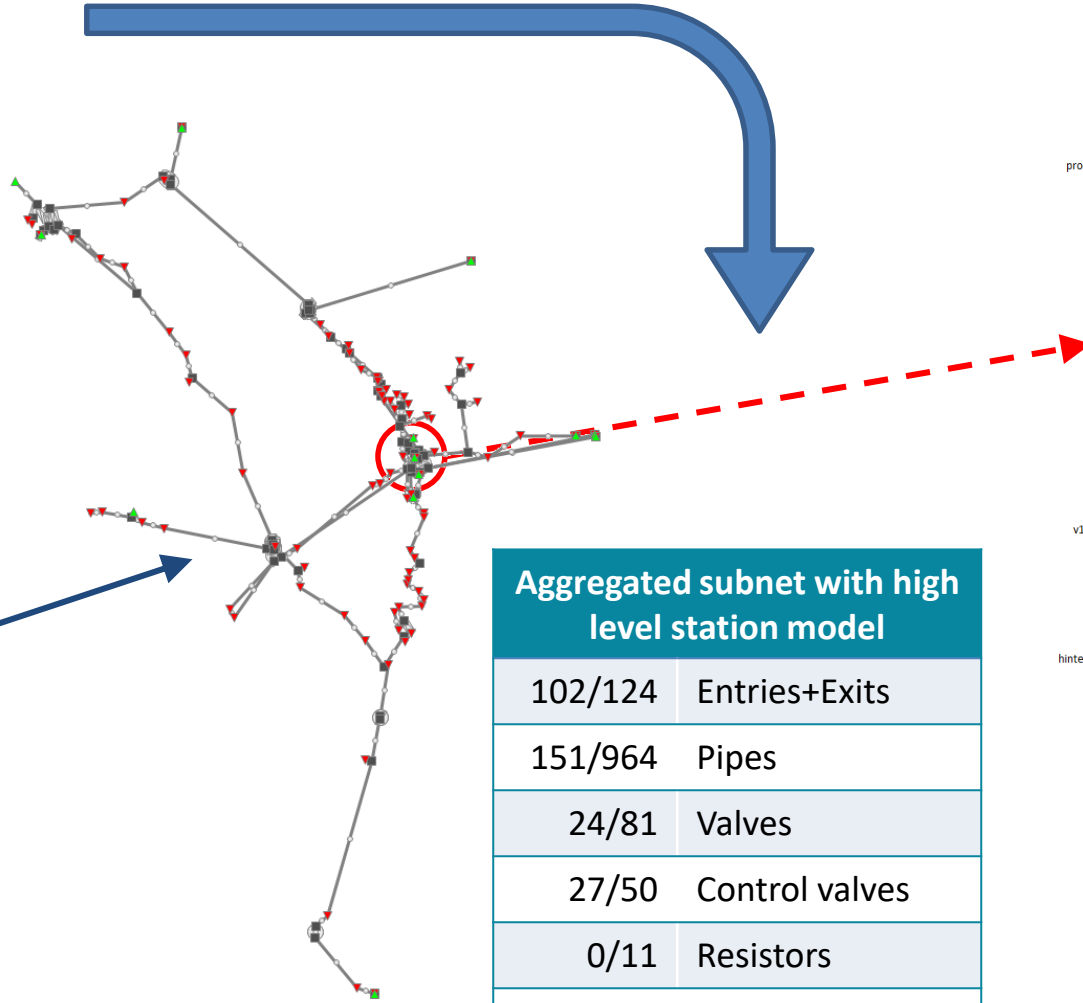
$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall (f, \mathcal{V}^{w_1}, \mathcal{V}^{w_2}) \in \mathcal{W} \quad 0 \leq (1 - m_{f,t}^{\text{fd}}) C_1 - \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}^{w_1}} \text{sgn}(f,v) d_{v,t} + \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}^{w_2}} \text{sgn}(f,v) d_{v,t}$$

$$\forall t \in \mathcal{T} \quad \forall g \in \mathcal{F}\mathcal{G} \quad \hat{d}_{g,t} = \sum_{v \in g} (d_{v,t} - \sigma_{v,t}^{d+} + \sigma_{v,t}^{d-})$$

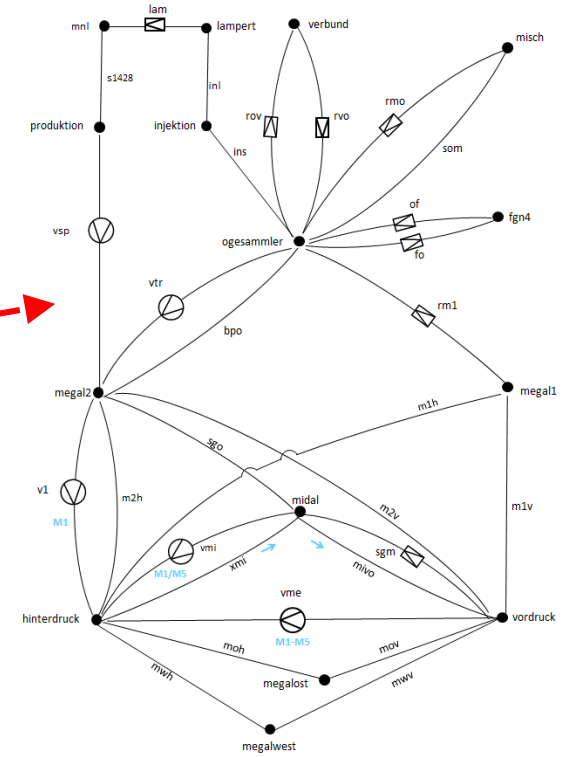
Flow direction

Determine Transient Gas Flows with Network Optimization

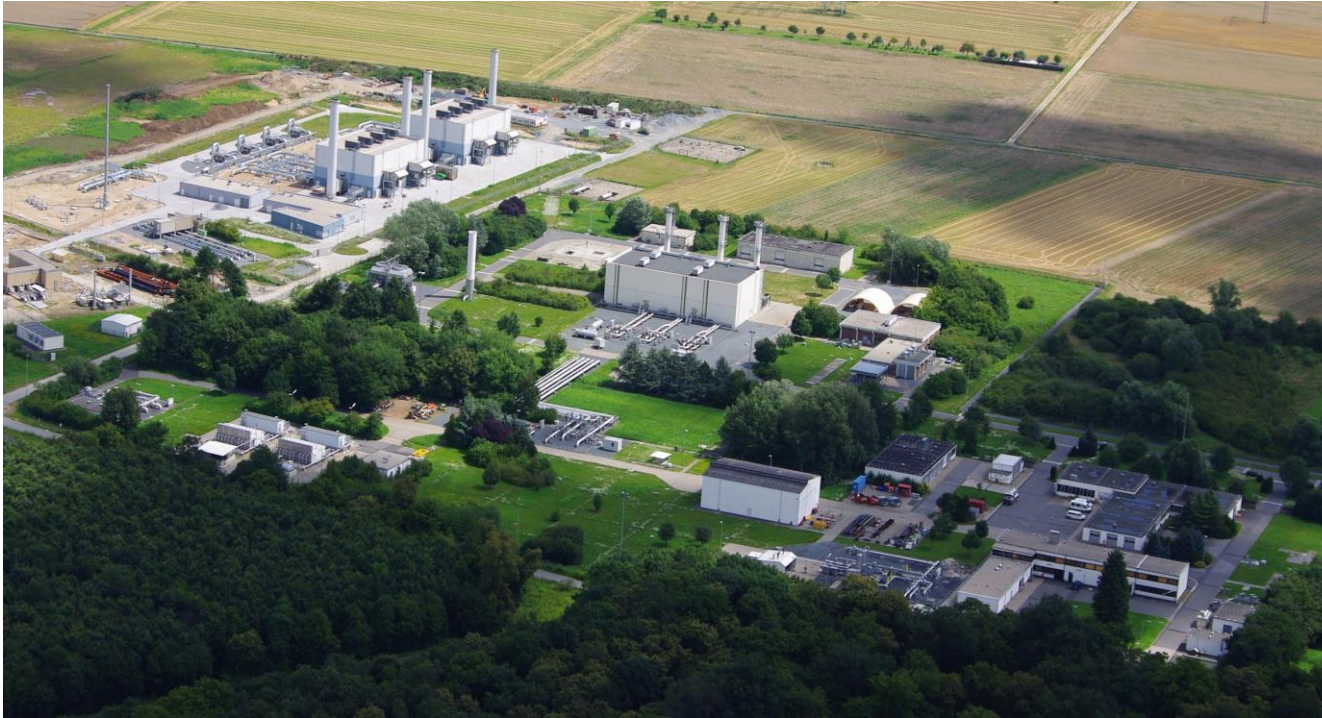
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Aggregated subnet with high level station model	
102/124	Entries+Exits
151/964	Pipes
24/81	Valves
27/50	Control valves
0/11	Resistors
16/16	Compressors



The Combinatorics of Gernsheim

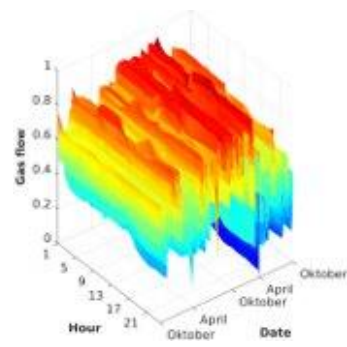
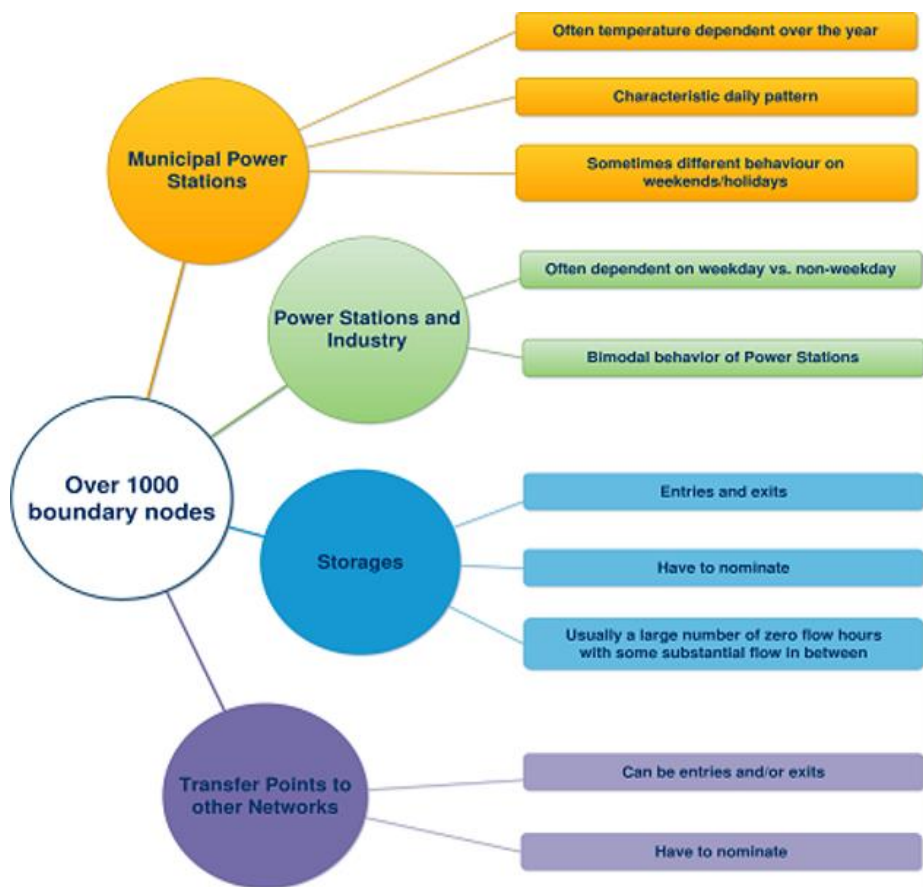


▶ **30,000,000,000,000,000**
mathematically possible
combinations of valve and
compressor states

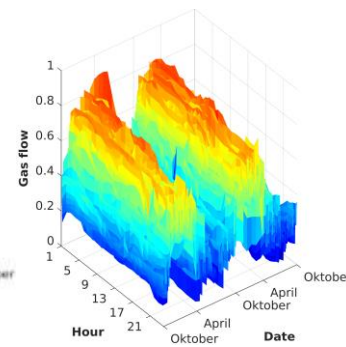
▶ **200,000 feasible operation modes**
identified based on practitioners
knowledge

▶ **1,285 relevant operation modes**
extracted using analytical evaluation
of historical data

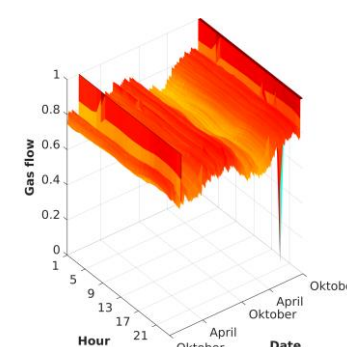
Energy Network Time Series



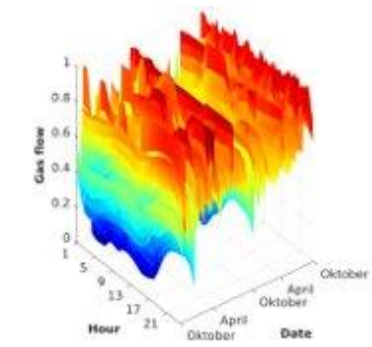
Net 1



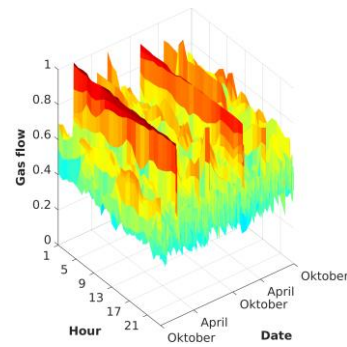
Net 2



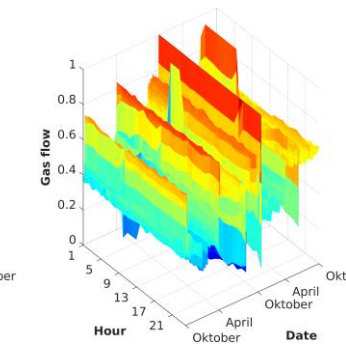
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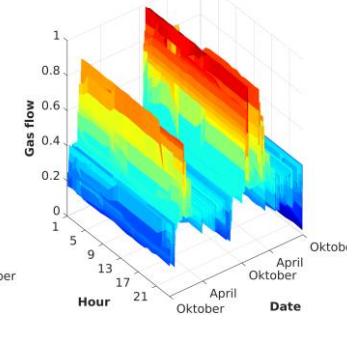
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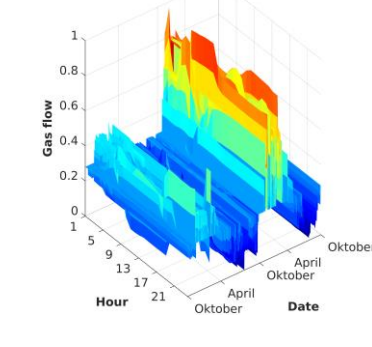
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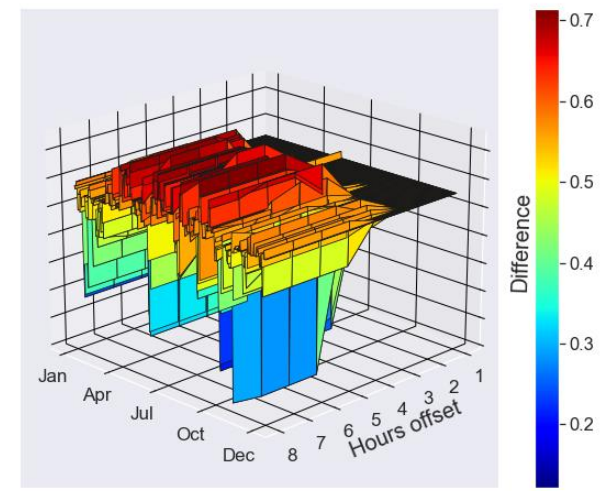
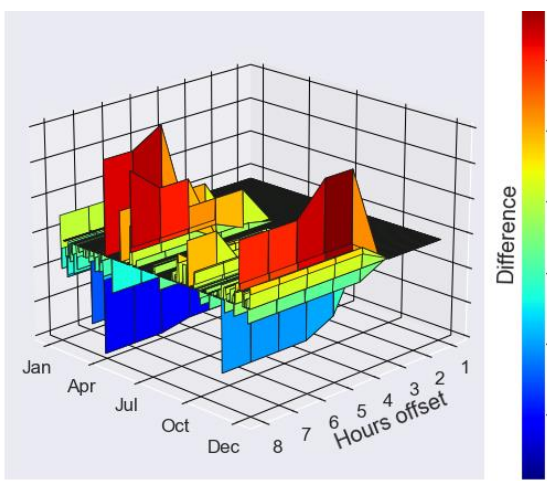
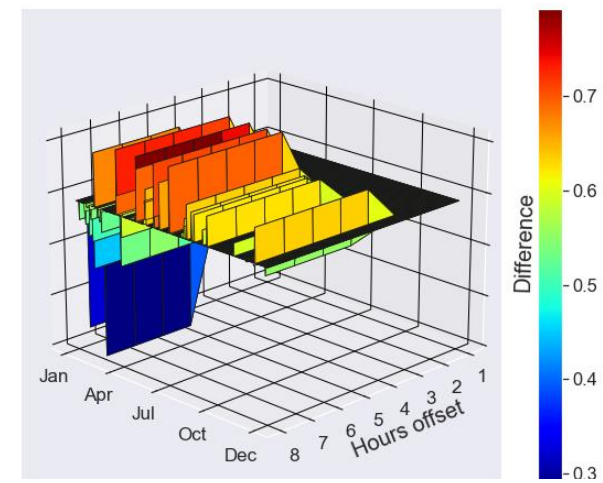
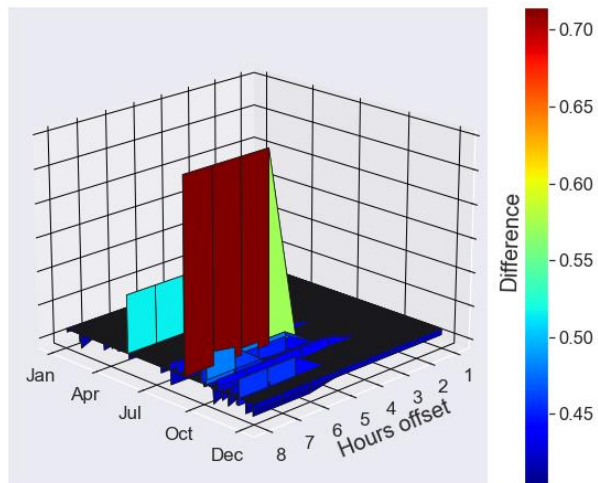
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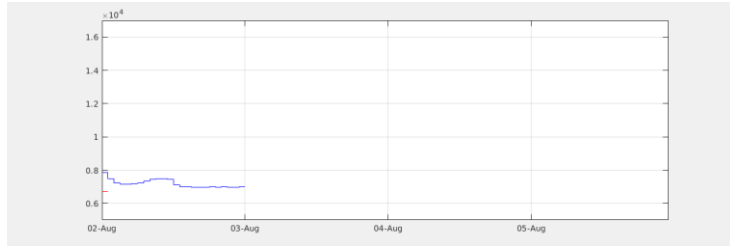


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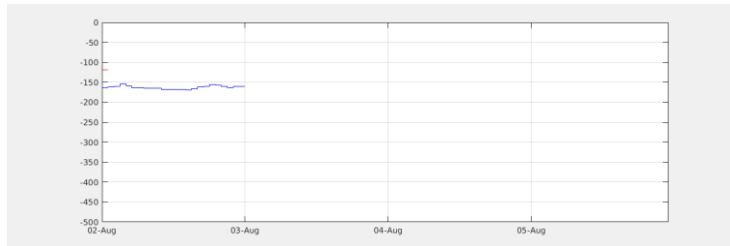
Energy Network Time Series: Nominations



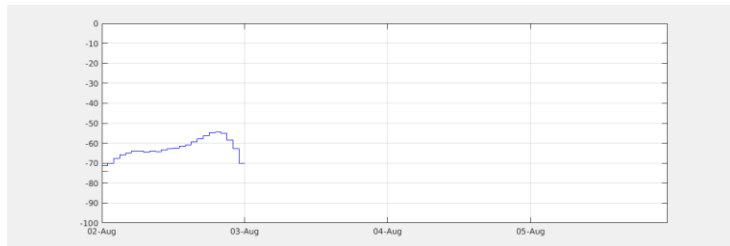


Preprocessing

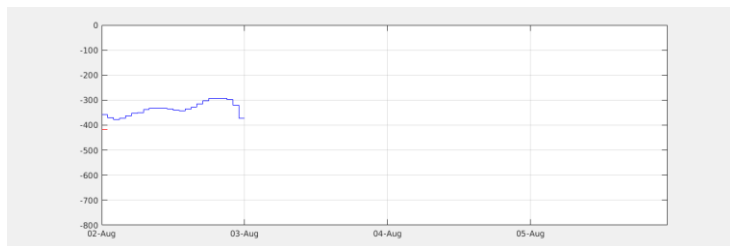
Solve the most relevant points with sophisticated forecast model, use computationally less expensive model for less important points.



Step 1 (offline computation):
Solve a MIP to compute sparse solutions leading to optimal feature sets for each node at each hour



Step 2 (online 24/7 at OGE):
Solve a LP to forecast hourly supply and the demand based on these feature sets



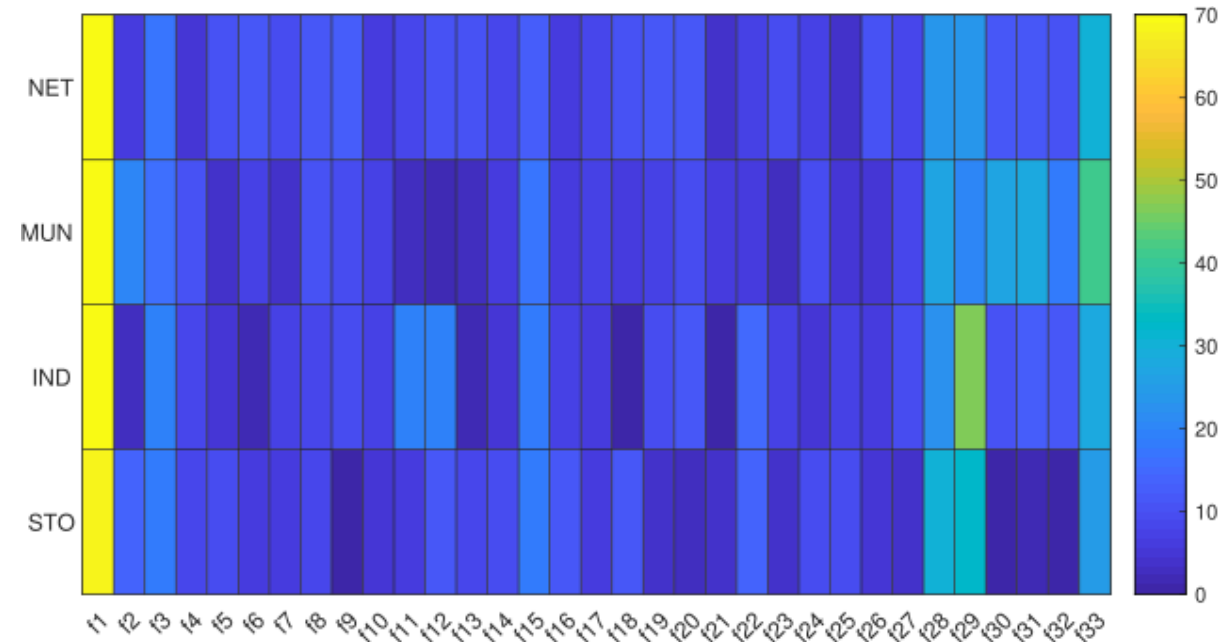
- training set $\{1, \dots, T\}$
- features $\rho_i(*) \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, \dots, p$
- flow values $F_t, t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$
- historical data $*_t, t \in \{1, \dots, T\}$
- **max. number of chosen features B**
- weights w_i
- over- and under-estimator e_t^+, e_t^-
- **decision variables x_i**

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min \sum_{t=1}^T e_t^+ + e_t^- \\
 & \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{i=1}^p w_i \rho_i(*_t) - F_t = e_t^+ - e_t^- & \forall t \in \{1, \dots, T\} \\
 & \quad \quad -2 * x_i \leq w_i \leq 2 * x_i & \forall i \in \{1, \dots, p\} \\
 & \quad \quad \sum_{i=1}^p x_i \leq B \\
 & \quad \quad w_i \in [-2, 2] & \forall i \in \{1, \dots, p\} \\
 & \quad \quad x_i \in \{0, 1\} & \forall i \in \{1, \dots, p\} \\
 & \quad \quad e_t^+, e_t^- \geq 0 & \forall t \in \{1, \dots, T\}
 \end{aligned}$$

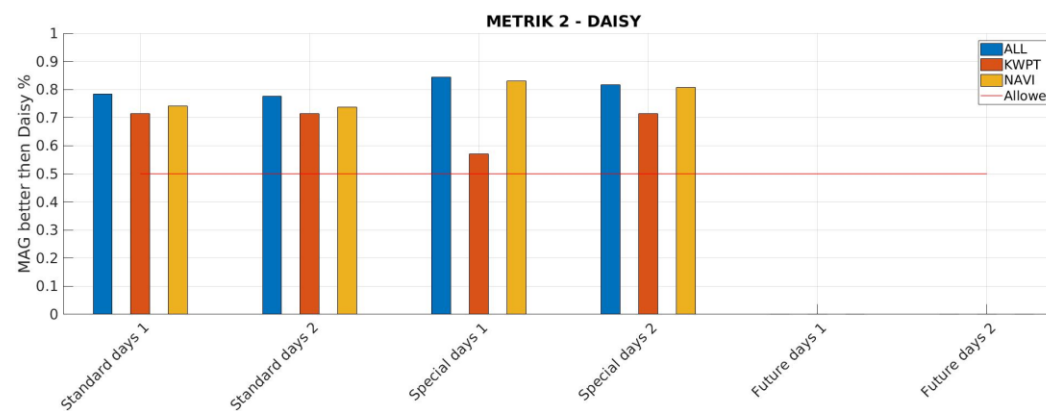
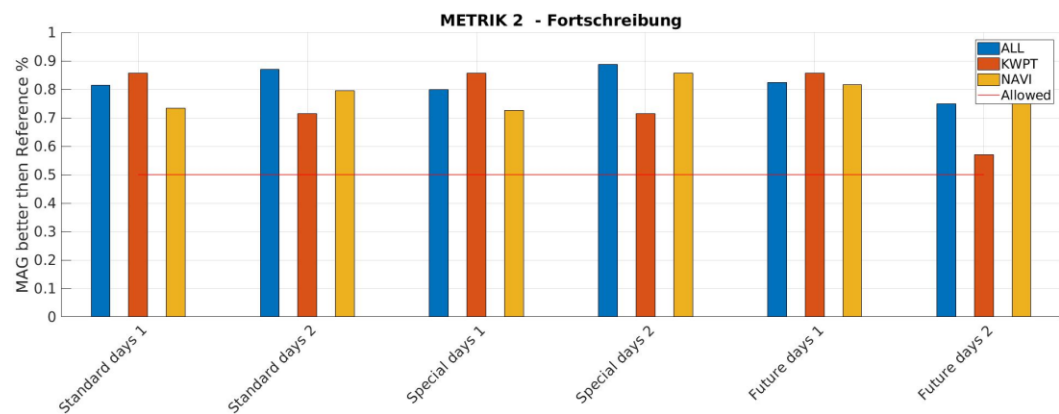
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 & \quad \quad w_i \in [-2, 2] & \forall i \in \{1, \dots, p\} \\
 & \quad \quad e_t^+, e_t^- \geq 0 & \forall t \in \{1, \dots, T\}
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Features

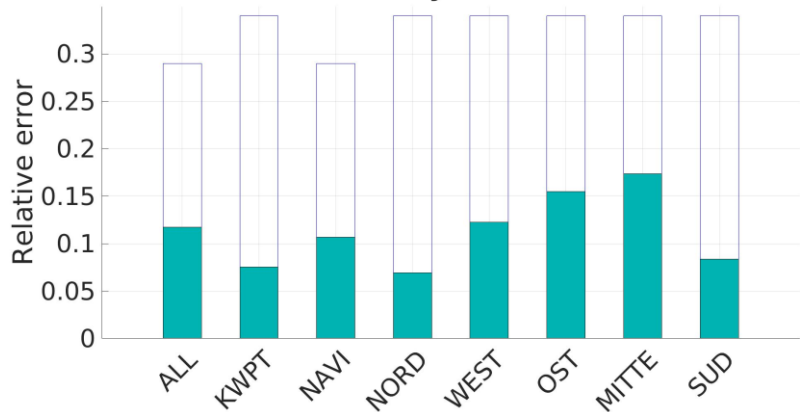
Feature	Description
$f_1(d, h) = \begin{cases} m(d, h - 1), & \text{if } h > 0 \\ m(d - 1, 23) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	Prior hour
$f_2(d, h) = m(d - 1, 0)$	First hour yesterday
$f_3(d, h) = m(d - 1, 23)$	Last hour yesterday
$f_{4:10}(d, h) = m(d - (1, 2, \dots, 7), h)$	The same hour 1,2,...,7 days ago
$f_{11:12}(d, h) = m(d - 1, 0(h)) / m(d - 2, 0(h))$	Ratio first(same) hour yesterday first(same) hour 2 days ago
$f_{13:14}(d, h) = m(d - 1, 0(h)) - m(d - 2, 0(h))$	Difference first(same) hour yesterday, first(same) hour 2 days ago
$f_{15:21}(d, h) = 1/24(\sum_{h \in H} m(d - (1, 2, \dots, 7), h))$	Mean flow 1,2,...,7 days ago
$f_{22}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) / f_{16}(d, h)$	Ratio mean flow yesterday, 2 days ago
$f_{23}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) / f_{21}(d, h)$	Ratio mean flow yesterday, 7 days ago
$f_{24}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) / (1/24(\sum_{h \in H} m(d - 8, h)))$	Ratio mean flow yesterday, 8 days ago
$f_{25}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) - f_{16}(d, h)$	Difference mean flow yesterday, 2 days ago
$f_{26}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) - f_{21}(d, h)$	Difference mean flow yesterday, 7 days ago
$f_{27}(d, h) = f_{15}(d, h) - (1/24(\sum_{h \in H} m(d - 8, h)))$	Difference mean flow yesterday, 8 days ago
$f_{28}(d, h) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } h = 0 \\ m(d, 0) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	First hour today
$f_{29}(d, h) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } h = 0 \\ 1/h \sum_{i=0}^{h-1} (d, i) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	Mean flow today
$f_{30}(d, h) = t_d - t_{d-1}$	Difference mean temperature today and yesterday
$f_{31}(d, h) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \text{day} \in \{\text{Saturday}, \text{Sunday}\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	Weekend
$f_{32}(d, h) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \text{day} \in \{\text{Friday}, \text{Saturday}\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	Evening
$f_{33}(d, h) = 1$	Offset



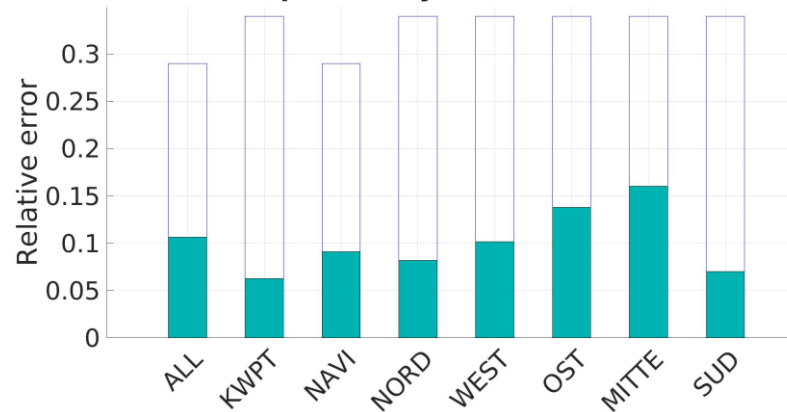
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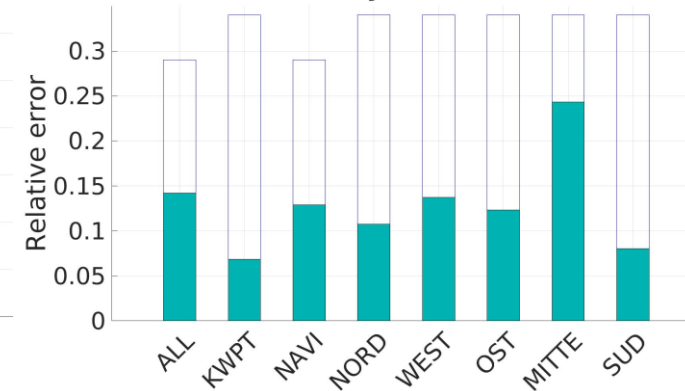
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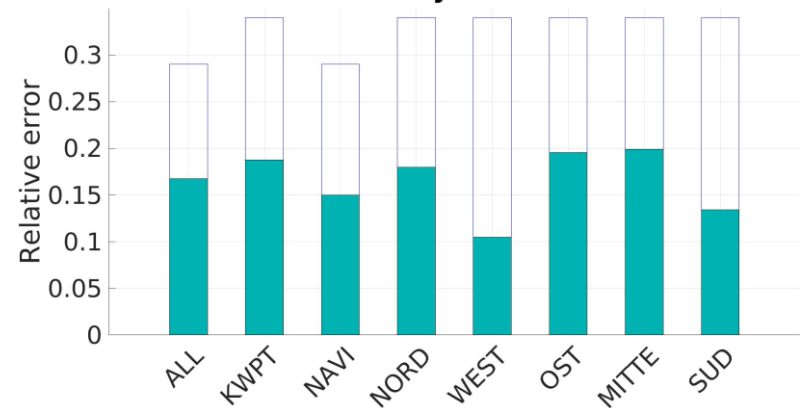
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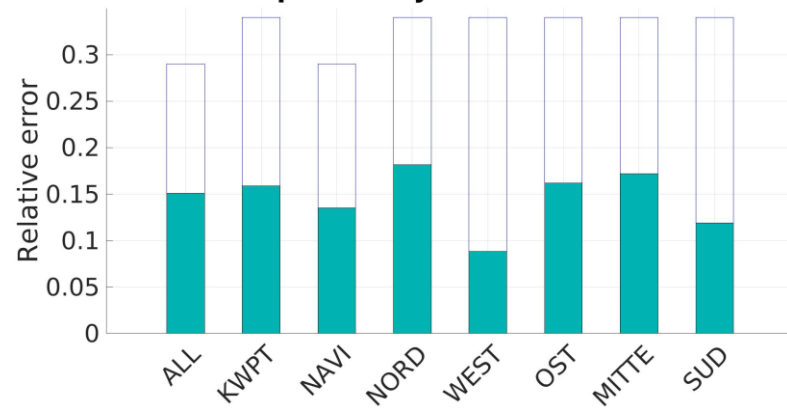
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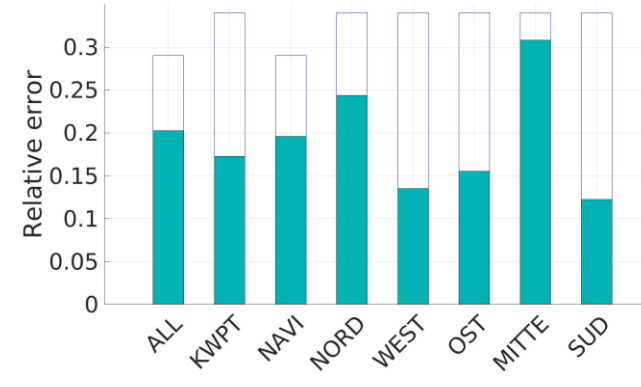
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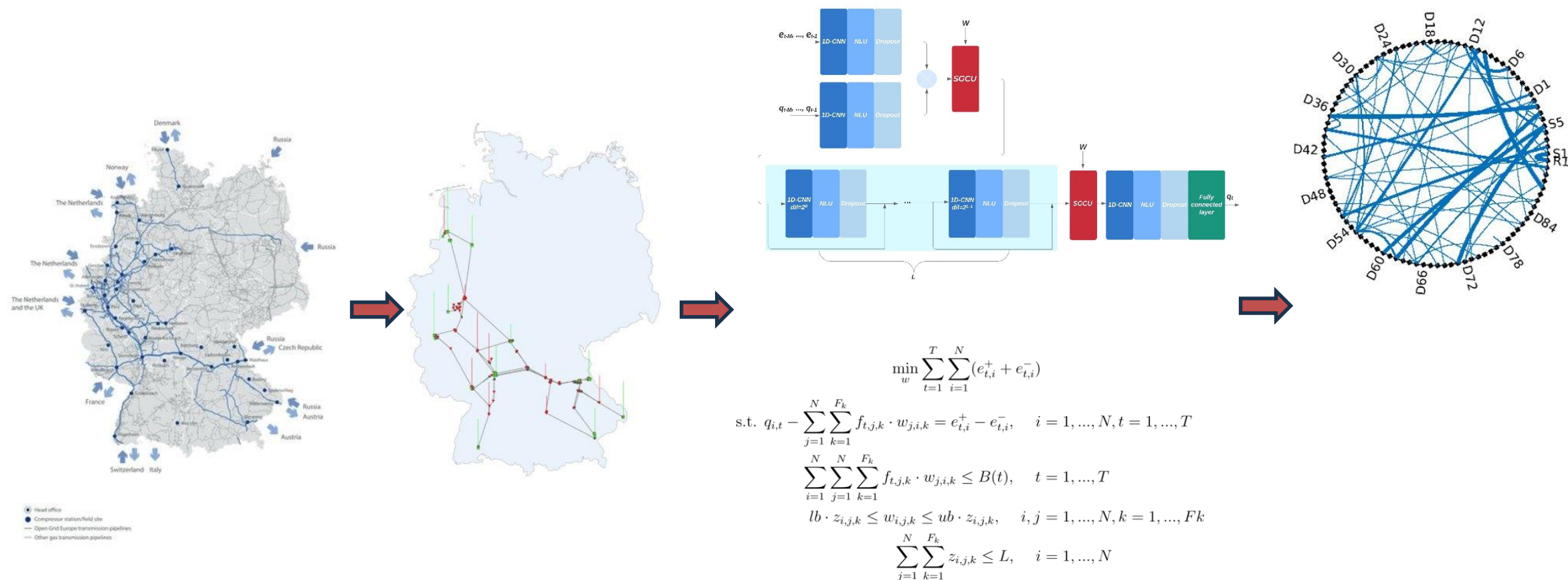
Special days Start Hour 2



Future days Start Hour 2



Energy Network Time Series



$$\min_w \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^N (e_{t,i}^+ + e_{t,i}^-)$$

$$\text{s.t. } q_{i,t} - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} = e_{t,i}^+ - e_{t,i}^-, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} \leq B(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$lb \cdot z_{i,j,k} \leq w_{i,j,k} \leq ub \cdot z_{i,j,k}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, F_k$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} z_{i,j,k} \leq L, \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$z_{i,j,k} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, F_k$$

$$e_{t,i}^+, e_{t,i}^- \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

- **Additional constraints** arising from the application area
- **Resilience**
- **Unknown and/or changing network topology**

HNR-RB: Hierarchical Network Regression model with Relaxed Balance constraint

Objective

- A comprehensive understanding of the network dynamic
- Detects influential nodes in the network that demonstrate a strong effect on the future flows of other nodes
- Natural gas transmission network with N nodes
- Flow values $q_{t,i}$, $i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$

Challenges

- High dimensionality
- Unknown spatial-temporal dependence structure
- Constraints: demand and supply should be balanced
- Features $f_{t,j,k}$
- Weights $w_{j,i,k}$

$$\hat{q}_{t,i} = \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k}, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$e_{t,i} = q_{t,i} - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k}, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

HNR-RB: Idea

- Max number of selected features L
- Allowed flow disbalance $B(t)$
- Over- and under- estimation errors $e_{t,i}^+, e_{t,i}^-$
- Decision variables $z_{i,j,k}$

- $F_k \cdot N^2$ binary variables
- $F_k \cdot N^2 + 2 \cdot T \cdot N$ continuous variables
- $2F_k \cdot N^2 + N \cdot T + T + N$ constraints

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min_w \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^N (e_{t,i}^+ + e_{t,i}^-) \\
 \text{s.t. } & q_{i,t} - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} = e_{t,i}^+ - e_{t,i}^-, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T \\
 & \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} \leq B(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T \\
 & lb \cdot z_{i,j,k} \leq w_{i,j,k} \leq ub \cdot z_{i,j,k}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, F_k \\
 & \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^{F_k} z_{i,j,k} \leq L, \quad i = 1, \dots, N \\
 & z_{i,j,k} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, F_k \\
 & e_{t,i}^+, e_{t,i}^- \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T,
 \end{aligned}$$

HNR-RB: Multistep model

$$\min_w \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^N (e_{t,i}^+ + e_{t,i}^-)$$

$$\text{s.t. } q_{i,t} - \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^S f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} = e_{t,i}^+ - e_{t,i}^-, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^S f_{t,j,k} \cdot w_{j,i,k} \leq B(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$lb \cdot z_{i,j,k} \leq w_{i,j,k} \leq ub \cdot z_{i,j,k}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, S$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^S z_{i,j,k} \leq L(S), \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$z_{i,j,k} = \tilde{z}_{i,j,k} \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, S - 1$$

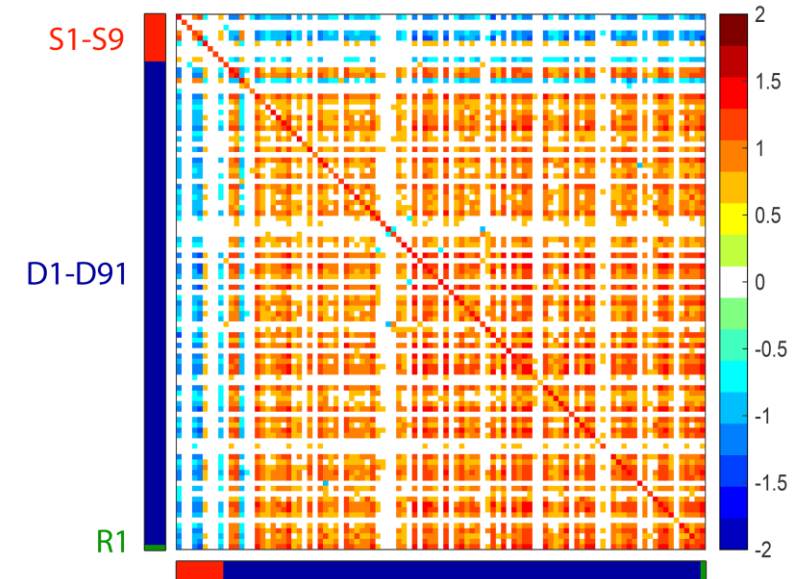
$$z_{i,j,k} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N, k = 1, \dots, S$$

$$e_{t,i}^+, e_{t,i}^- \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$\hat{q}_{i,t+h} = \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k=1}^S f_{t+h,j,k} \cdot w_{i,j,k}$$

Data and experimental setting

- Out-of-sample forecast from 06:00 am for **1 to 24 hours ahead**
- Test period: **September to December 2022**
- **DATA:**
 - natural gas demand and supply flows (hourly time resolution)
 - network of **9 supply, 91 demand nodes + artificial node**
- **MODEL setup:**
 - 3 steps with 3 features:
 - **previous hour**
 - **same hour yesterday.**
 - **mean flow yesterday**
- Allowed disbalance 5% of hourly mean of total flow
- Historical window 120 hours
- Lower and upper bound are set to -2 and 2 respectively.



HNR-RB: Results

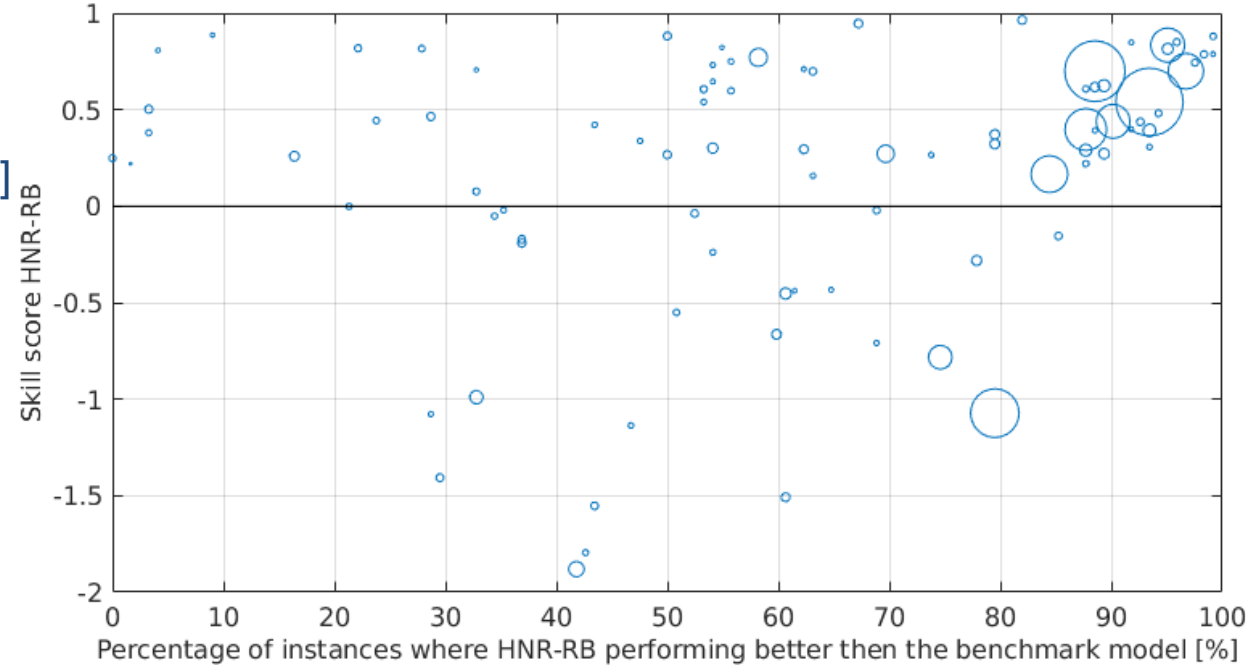
Benchmarks:

- ARIMA
- LSTM
- Network Autoregressive model with Balance constraint (NAC)[1]

Error metrics:

- RMSE
- MAPE
- Skill Score:

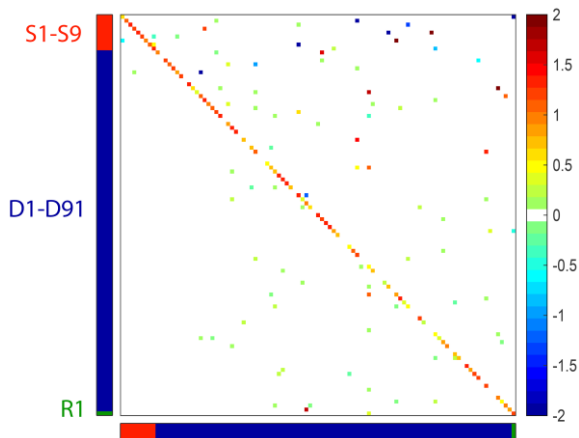
$$Skill_{HNR-RB} = 1 - \frac{MAPE_{HNR-RB}}{MAPE_{Benchmark}}$$



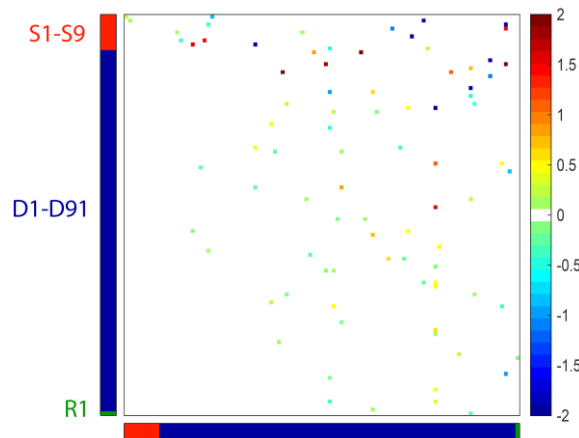
H	HNR-RB	RMSE			MAPE				Skill Score		
		ARIMA	LSTM	NAC	HNR-RB	ARIMA	LSTM	NAC	ARIMA	LSTM	NAC
1	117	701	3034	136	0.131	0.351	0.197	0.138	0.628	0.335	0.051
6	224	762	6662	988	0.160	0.322	0.210	0.219	0.503	0.238	0.269
12	384	954	8353	2346	0.188	0.361	0.287	0.349	0.479	0.345	0.461
24	581	1417	9810	5552	0.218	0.342	0.348	0.592	0.380	0.374	0.632

[1] Zakiyeva, N., Petkovic, M. (2022). Modeling and Forecasting Gas Network Flows with Multivariate Time Series and Mathematical Programming Approach. In: Operations Research Proceedings 2021.

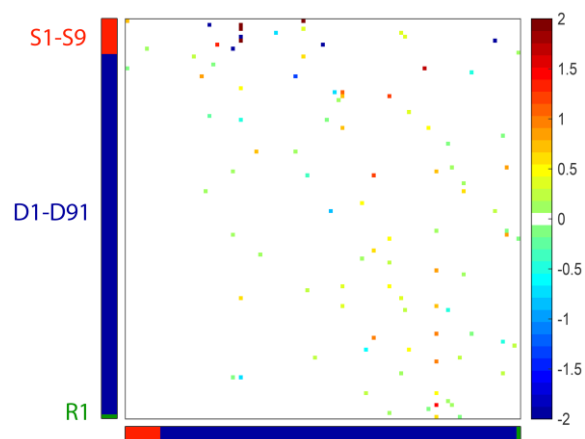
HNR-RB: Results



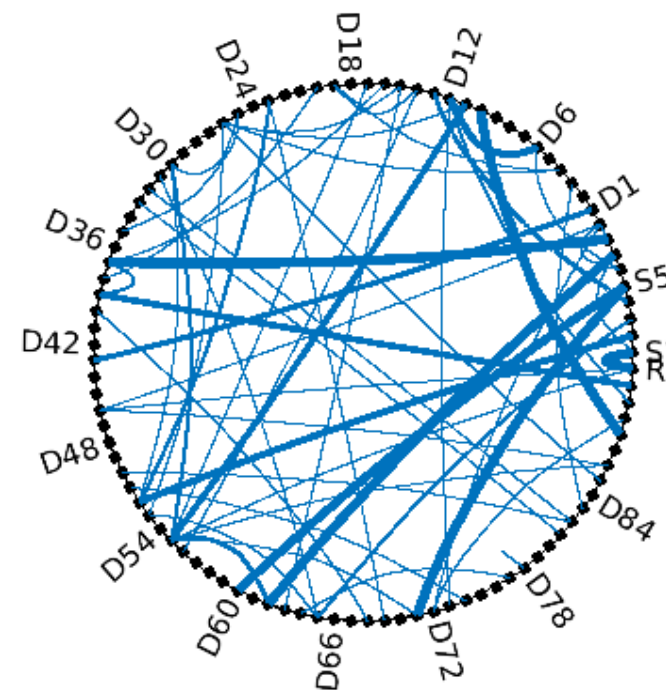
f1 previous hour



f2 same hour yesterday



f3 mean flow yesterday



Estimated network dependencies

The Leibniz Institute for Crystal Growth (IKZ) in Berlin-Adlershof is an international competence center for science & technology as well as service & transfer in the field of crystalline materials.

The R&D spectrum ranges from basic and applied research topics to pre-industrial research tasks.



Electronics

- **Semiconductors:** Silicon crystals are fundamental in making **microchips** and **transistors**.
- **Piezoelectric Devices:** Quartz crystals are used in watches, sensors, and oscillators

Optics

- **Lenses and Lasers:** Crystals like sapphire and ruby are used in high-precision optical instruments and lasers.

Scientific Instruments

- **X-ray Crystallography:** Used to determine the structure of complex molecules like proteins.

Energy Storage:

- **Battery Materials:** Crystalline structures are essential in the development of high-capacity batteries.



Large furnaces and grown crystals

- multicrystalline (mc) silicon ingot weighting up to 1600kg, single crystalline silicon ingot of 300 mm diameter, few meters long

Several simultaneously acting driving forces

- buoyancy, rotational force, Lorentz force, surface tension, viscous force etc.

Long transient processes

- mc Si crystal growth lasts ca. 1 week

Numerous temporally changing process parameters

- heating power, gas flow etc.

High operating temperature

- melting temperatures $T_m(\text{Si}) = 1683 \text{ K}$

Contamination restrictions

Can be hardly studied by costly plant trials

The real alternative for deeper insight into the complex transport phenomena taking place in bulk crystal growth and guidance/assistance in development of novel processes can be obtained only by CFD simulations and optimization

The international system of units (SI system) was revolutionized over the last years by connecting all SI units to fundamental natural constants instead of artificial objects.

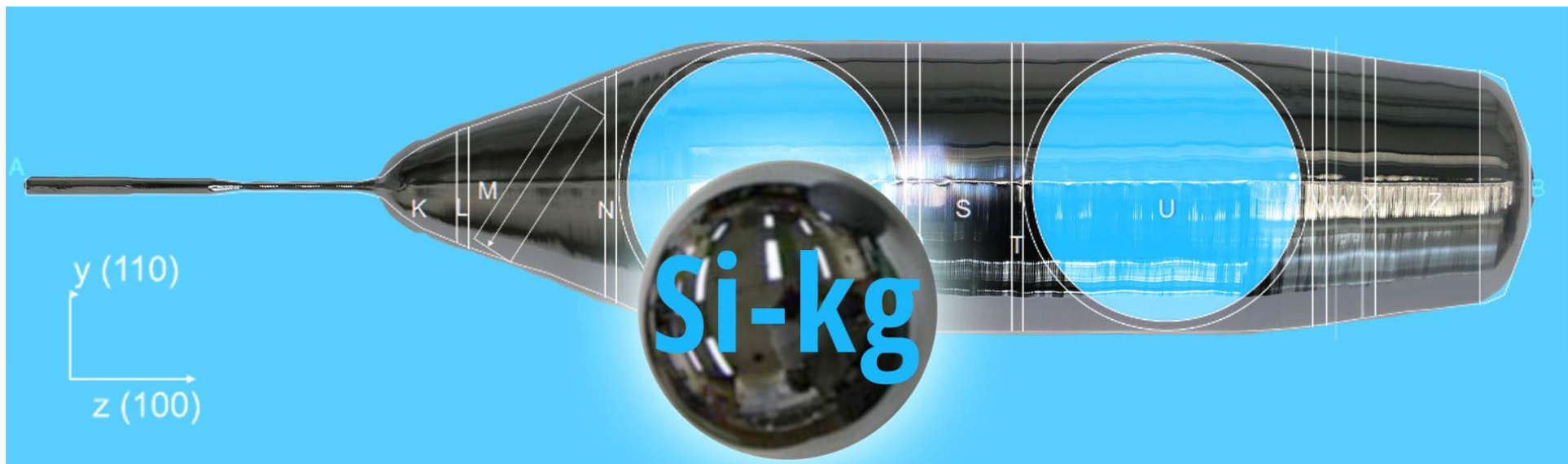
The last missing unit was the kilogram (kg) mass unit.

"Big K", the Platin-Iridium block in the French Museum Louvre in Paris defining the kg for around 130 years, had lost weight.

For this purpose, the PTB (Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt) pursued an approach of "counting" atoms in a silicon sphere.

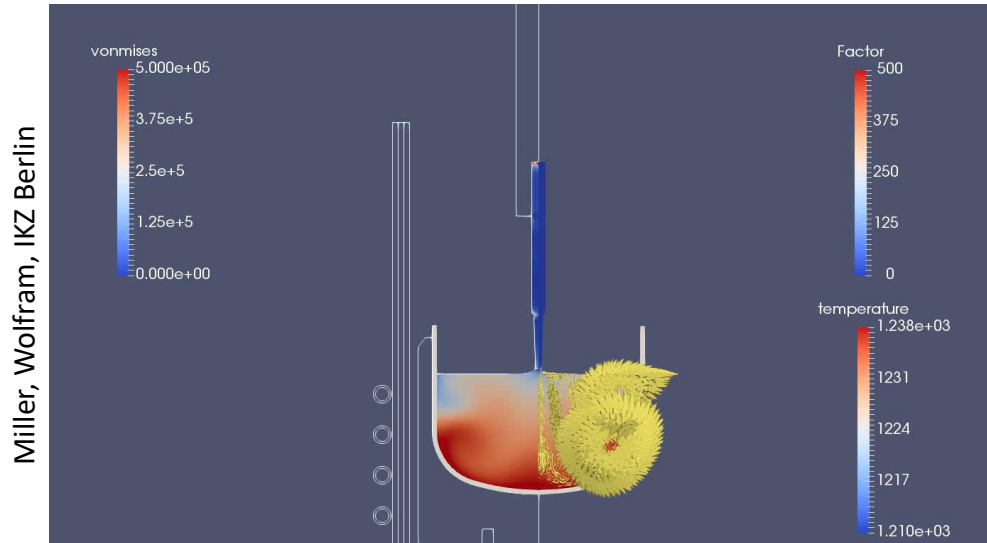
Within the scope of the international Avogadro Project and national Kg projects, the by the Float-Zone technique defect-free bulk crystals of highly enriched (up to 99.999 %) silicon-28.

Only the IKZ with its expertise in crystal growth is able to achieve this precision in isotopically pure silicon crystal growth today.



The Czochralski method, is a crystal growth method used to obtain single crystals:

- [semiconductors](#) (e.g. silicon, germanium and gallium arsenide)
- [salts](#)
- [synthetic gemstones](#)



[Monocrystalline silicon](#) (mono-Si) grown by the *Cz method* is the basic material in the production of [integrated circuits](#) and [semiconductor devices](#).

Mono-Si is widely used in solar cells due to its nearly perfect crystal structure, offering the highest light-to-electricity conversion efficiency.

Advantages

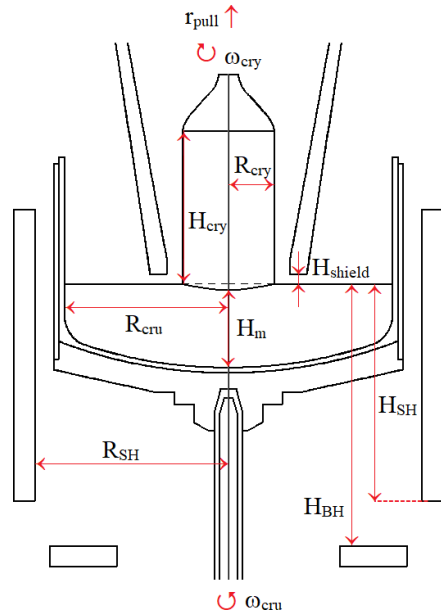
High purity and uniformity of crystals.

Can produce large-diameter crystals, reducing costs in mass production.

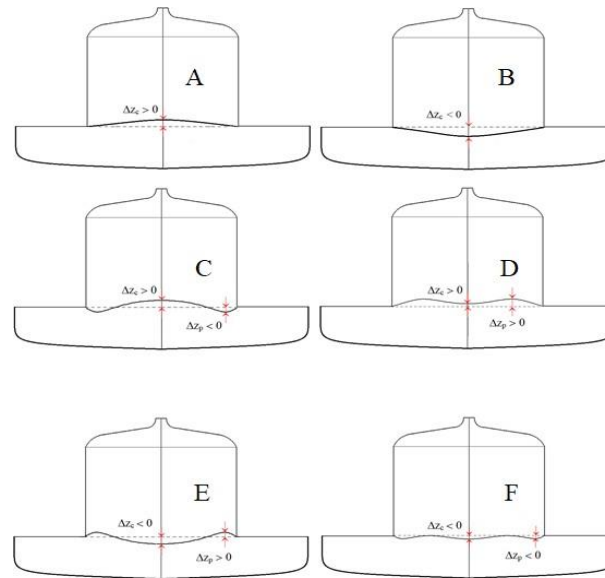
Challenges

Equipment cost and energy-intensive process.

Risk of introducing defects during crystal growth.



interface shape types

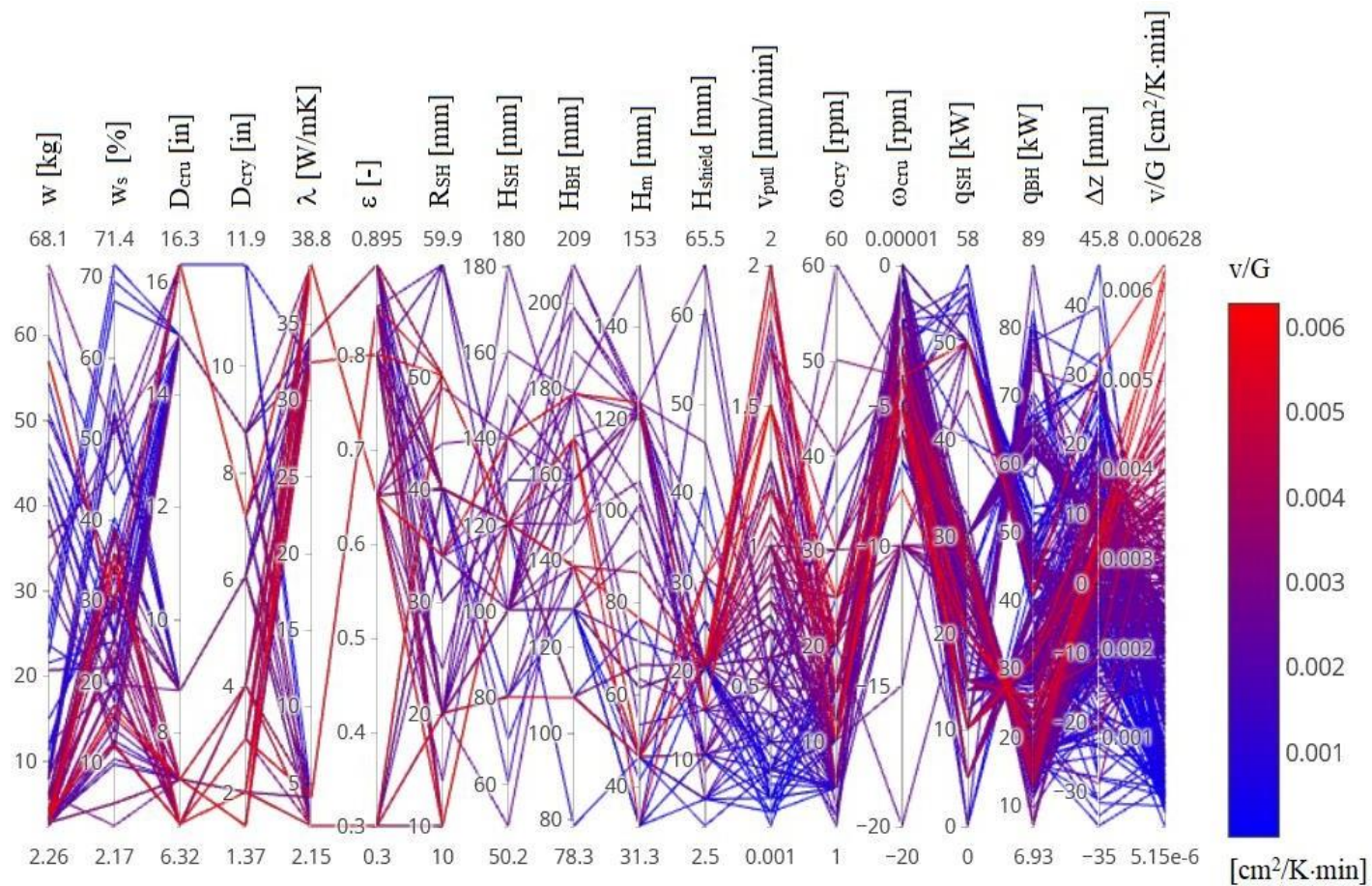


- o1 $\Delta z / R_{cry}$ [-]
- o2 $v/G / 1.34 \cdot 10 \text{ cm} / \text{K} \cdot \text{min}$ [-]
- o3 $T_{\min} - 1685 \text{ K}$ [K]

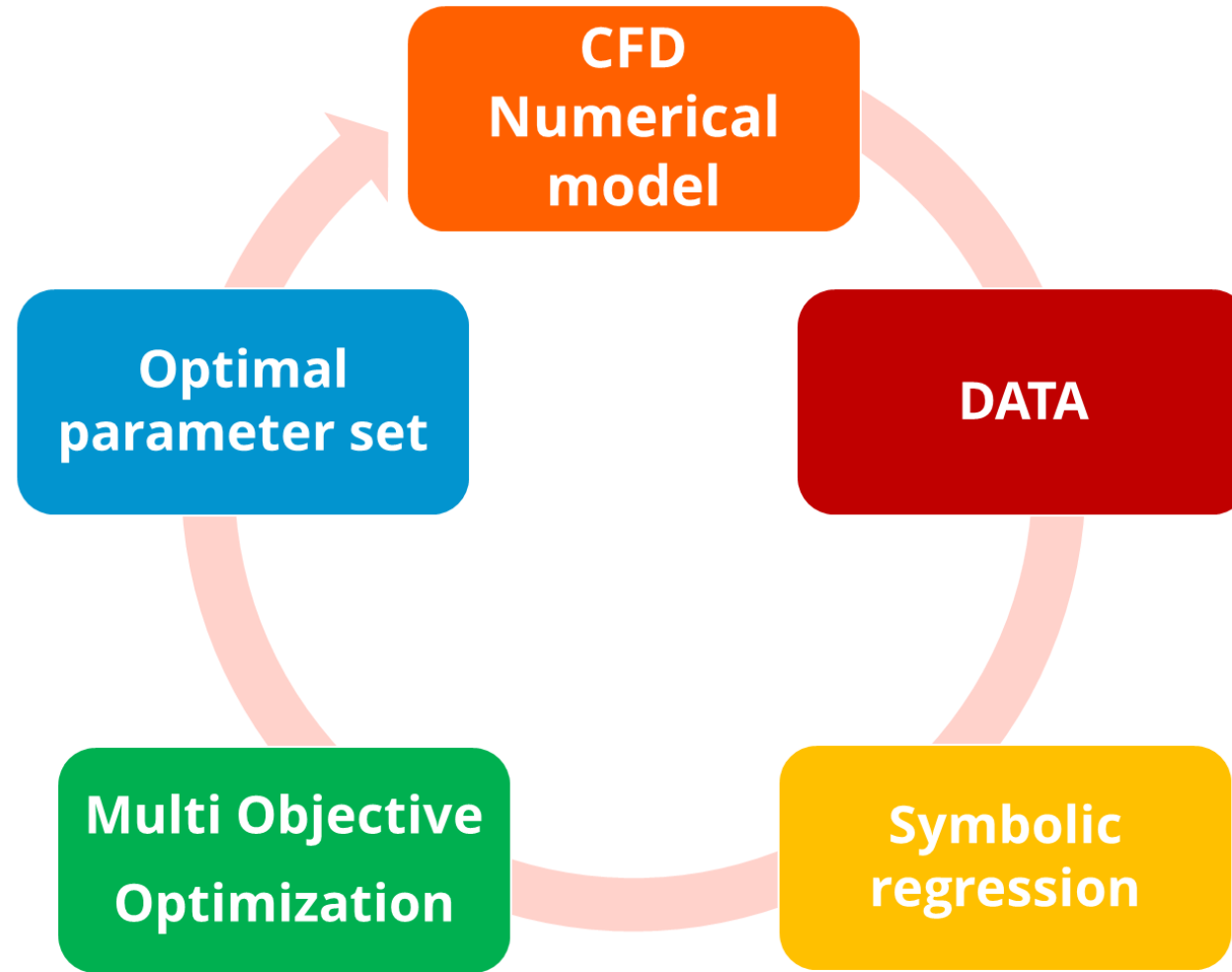
Variable	Furnace parameters	Unit	Variable	Process parameters	Unit
x1	Si weight	kg	x11	Pulling Rate	mm/min
x2	fraction of Si crystallized	%	x12	Crystal Rotation	rpm
x3	crucible diameter	mm	x13	Crucible Rotation	rpm
x4	crystal diameter	mm	x14	Side Heater power	KW
x5	L _{cruc_SH}	mm	x15	Bottom Heater power	KW
x6	H _{eruc_SH}	mm			
x7	L _{eruc_BH}	mm			
x8	distance between shield and melt surface	mm			
x9	radiation shield material	-			
x10	lambda shield	W/mK			

- i₁ Re for crucible [-]
- i₂ Re for crystal [-]
- i₃ Gr [-]
- i₄ St [-]
- i₅ Si weight [kg]
- i₆ % of Si solidified [%]
- i₇ λ of the radiation shield [W/m·K]
- i₈ ε of the radiation shield [-]
- i₉ R_{SH} / R_{cry} [-]
- i₁₀ H_{SH} / H_m [-]
- i₁₁ H_{BH} / H_m [-]
- i₁₂ H_{shield} / H_{cry} [-]

different growth recipes in different furnace geometries were simulated



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$$\text{Term}_1 = \sqrt{\text{ReLU}(-25.228 + x_{15}) \cdot \left| \frac{(x_2 + x_{13})^3}{-30.825 + \frac{x_{14}^6}{(0.907 \cdot x_1^2 + x_5)^3} + x_{12}} \right| \cdot x_7} \cdot e^{x_{13}} \quad (1.1)$$

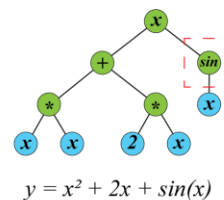
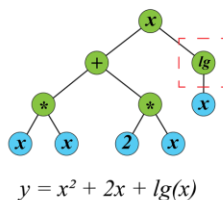
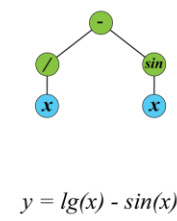
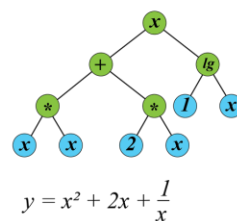
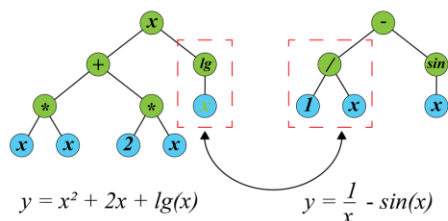
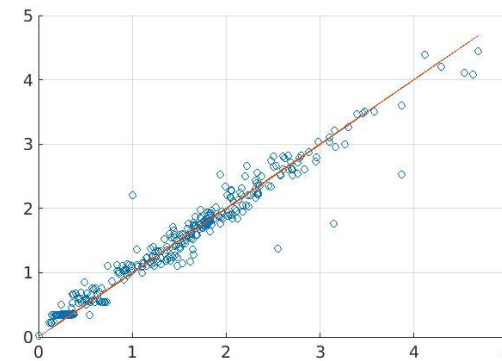
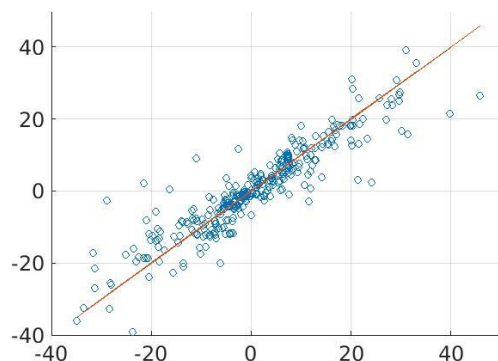
$$\text{Term}_2 = \left(x_{11} + \frac{x_{12}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{e^{x_{11}/x_9} + x_7}{x_1} \right)^3}} \right)^2 \quad (1.2)$$

$$\Delta z = (x_{11} + x_4) \cdot \log((\text{Term}_1 + \text{Term}_2)^2) \cdot \sqrt{x_9} \quad (1.3)$$

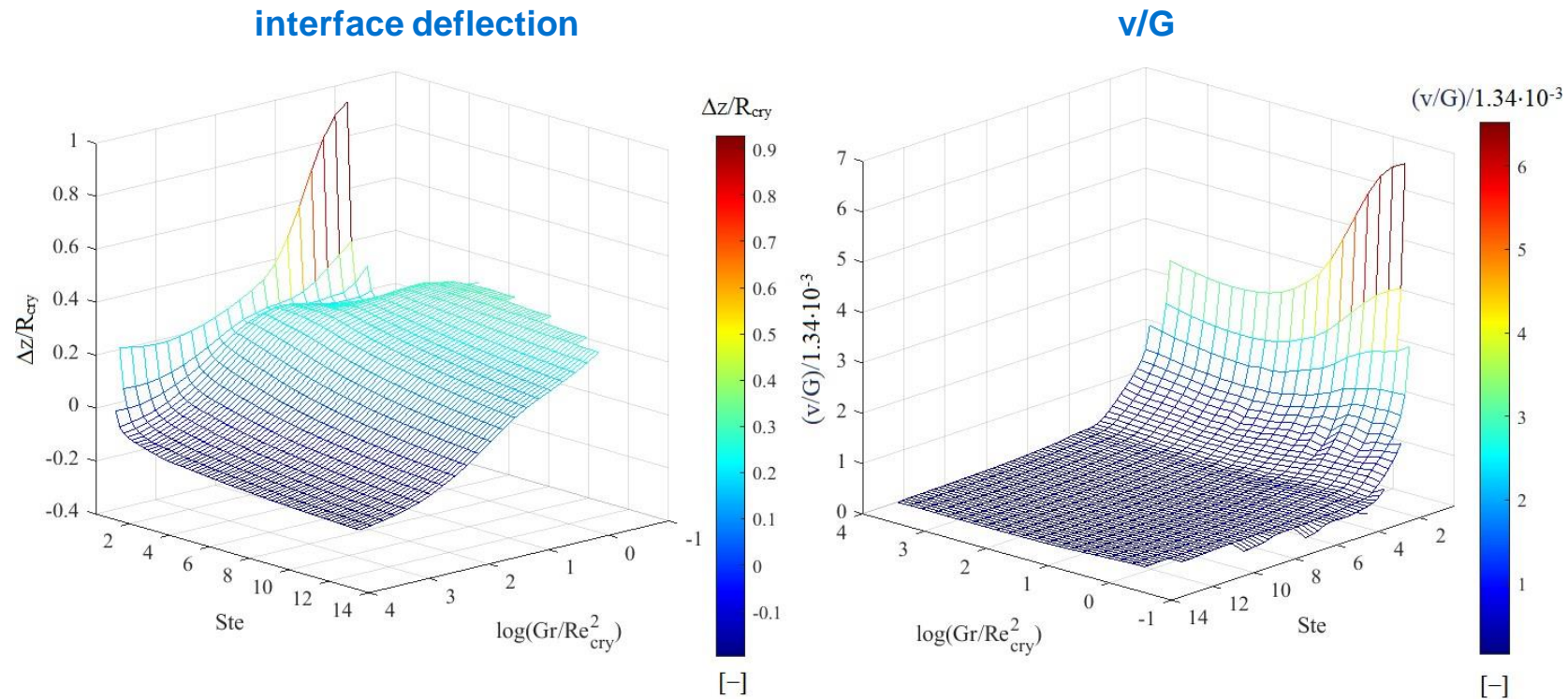
$$T_1 = \left[\text{sigm} \left(0.612 \cdot |(-2.765 + x_2) \cdot x_1| \cdot \left(\frac{1}{x_4} \right)^3 \right) \right]^{x_{11}} \quad (2.1)$$

$$T_2 = \left(\text{sigm} \left(\frac{x_{14}}{x_6 + \left(\frac{1}{x_{11}^2 \cdot 1.329} \right) / \left(\frac{x_{13}^2}{x_{12}} + \frac{1}{x_1 - 1.899} \right)^{2 \cdot x_9}} \right) \right)^2 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\Delta \Gamma = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x_{11}^2 \cdot T_1 \cdot T_2}}{0.284} \quad (2.3)$$



Impact of process parameters via Gr/Re_{cry}^2 and Ste numbers



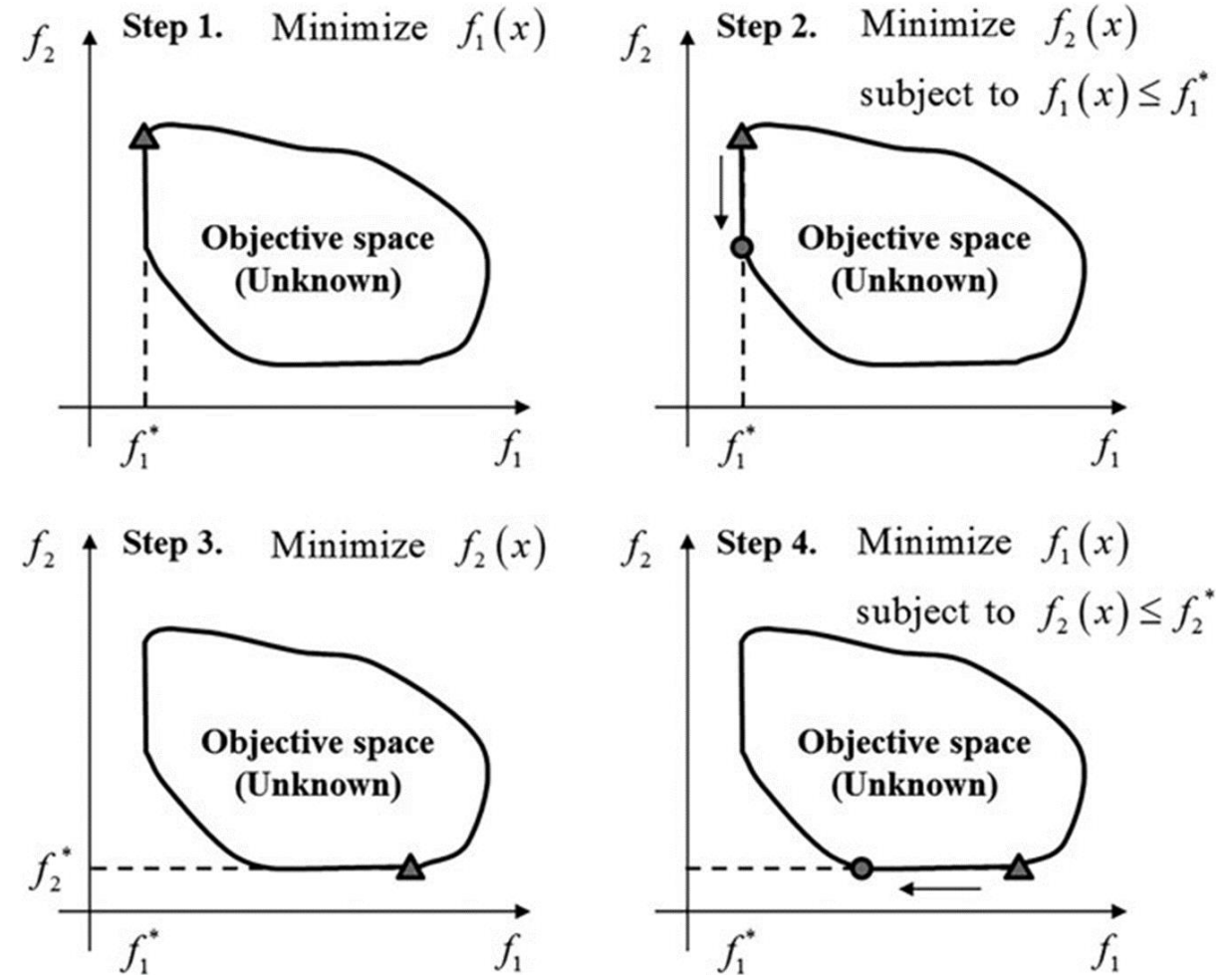
$Re_{cru} = -8.15 \cdot 10^3$, $w = 32.6$ kg, $w_s = 50.96\%$,
 TiC radiation shield with $\lambda = 38.8$ W/mK and $\epsilon = 0.65$,
 $R_{SH}/R_{cru} = 1.19$, $H_{BH}/H_m = 3.35$, $H_{SH}/H_m = 2.63$ and $H_{shield}/H_{cry} = 0.06$

Let us assume an optimization problem with n decision variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .
 The standard form of a multi-objective optimization problem is:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) &= (f_1(\mathbf{x}), f_2(\mathbf{x}) \cdots f_k(\mathbf{x})) \\ \text{s.t. } h_i(\mathbf{x}) &= 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, l \\ g_j(\mathbf{x}) &\leq 0 \quad j = 1, \dots, s \\ lb_m \leq x_m &\leq ub_m \quad m = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

where:

- k : number of objectives
- l : number of equality constraints $h_i(\mathbf{x})$
- s : number of inequality constraints $g_i(\mathbf{x})$
- $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x})$: vector of objective functions $f_i(\mathbf{x})$.
- \forall decision variable x_m is bounded $[lb_m, ub_m]$



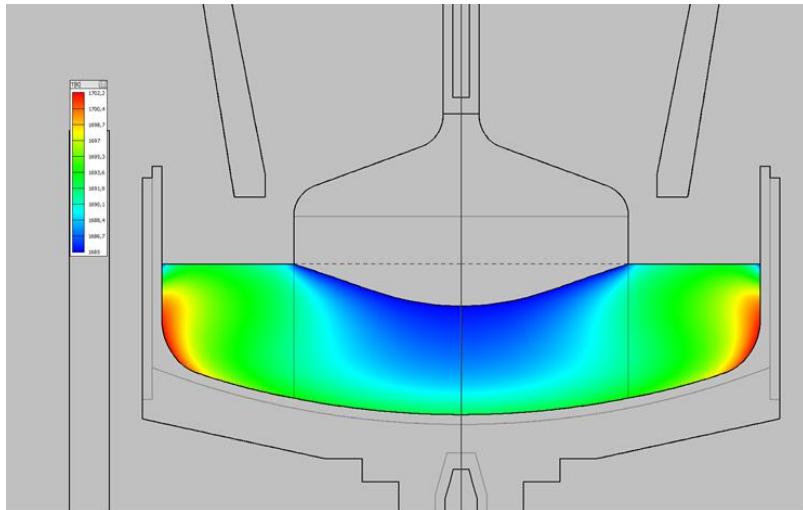
We employ hierarchical MOO model with three objectives:

- **Minimizing Δz**
- **Minimizing $\Delta \Gamma$**
- **Maximizing x_{11}** , e.g. Maximizing crystal growth speed where Δz and $\Delta \Gamma$ are given as constraints from SR equations
- X1 - X10 fixed
- X11 – X15 optimized

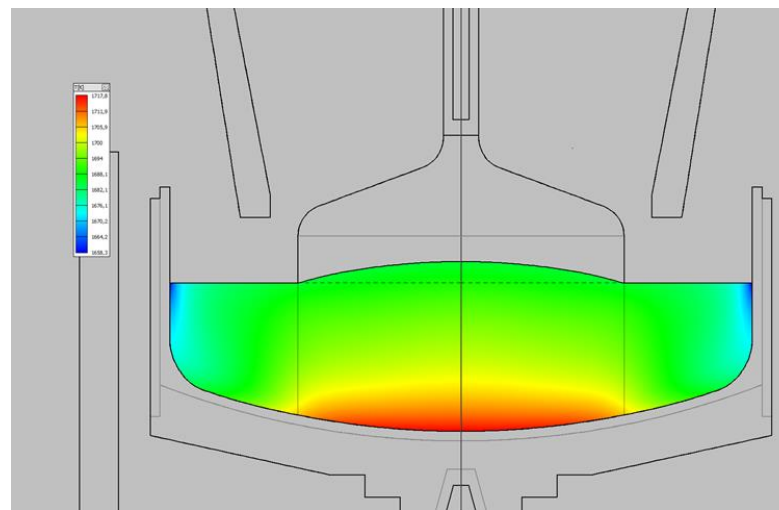
For fixed geometry parameters x_1, \dots, x_{10} we optimize process parameters to minimize Δz and $\Delta \Gamma$ while maximizing pulling rate x_{11} :

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x_{11}, x_{12}, x_{13}, x_{14}, x_{15}} & [\Delta z, \Delta \Gamma, -x_{11}] \\ \text{s.t. } & \Delta z = \text{Equation 1.3} \\ & \Delta \Gamma = \text{Equation 2.3} \end{aligned}$$

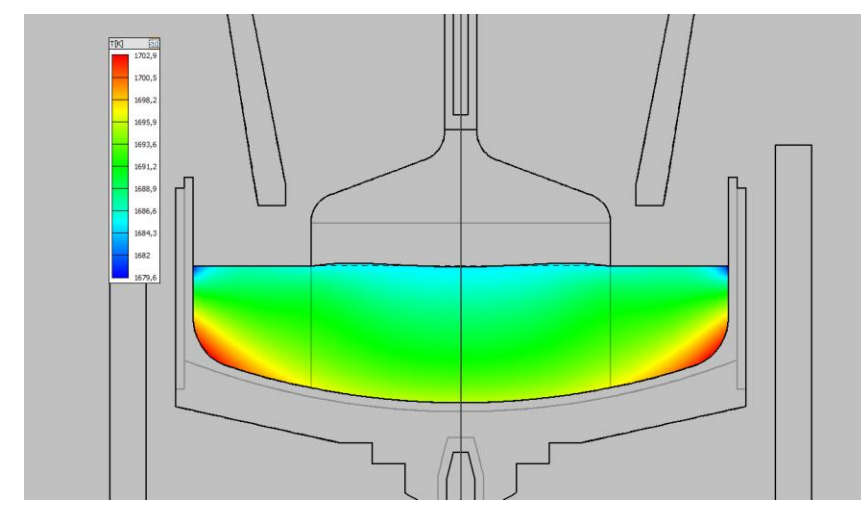
Additional constraint: $x_{14} + x_{14} \geq H$



Original parameters



Model1: Optimal parameters



Model2: Optimal parameters

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