

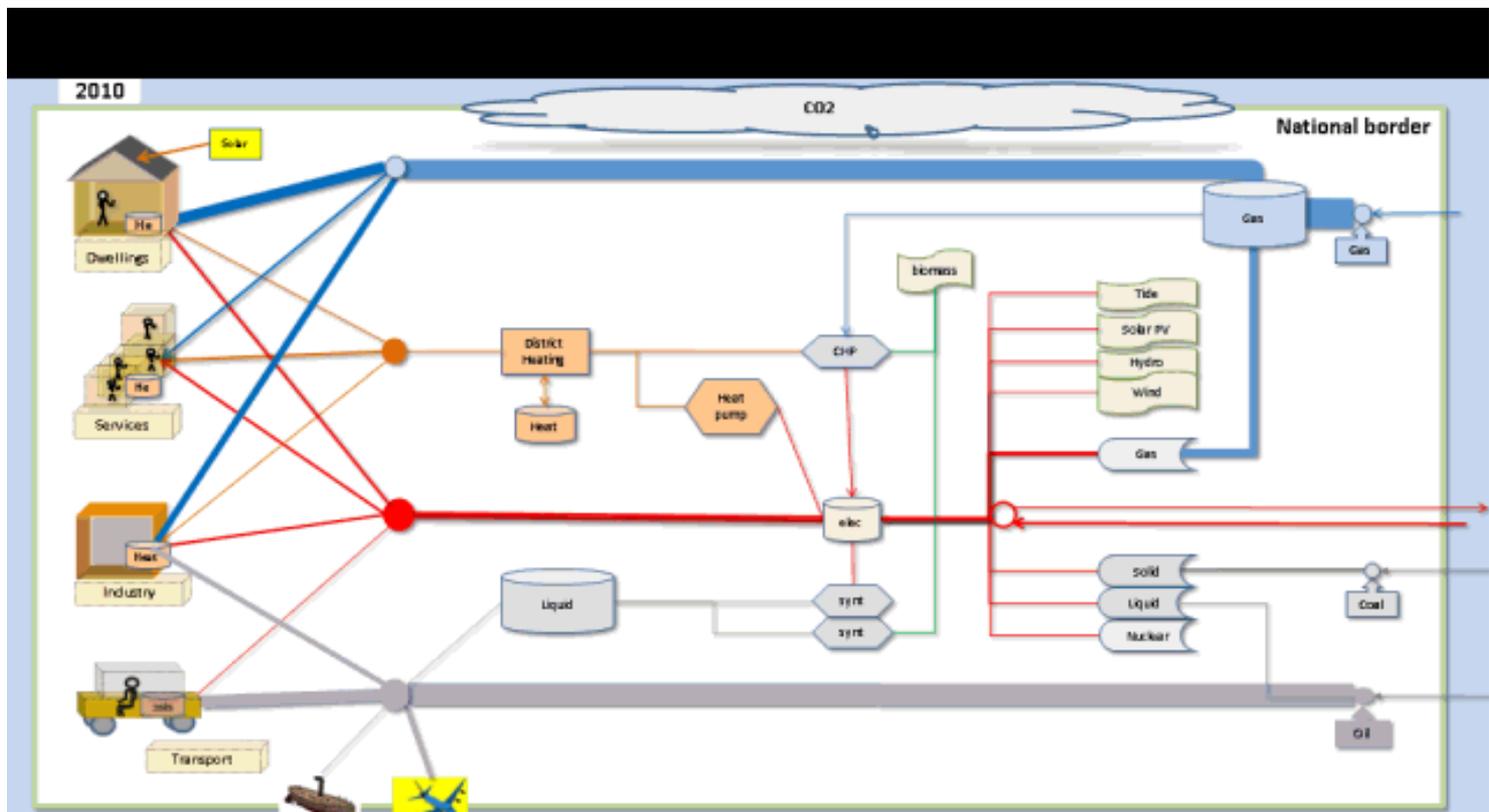
People and power: Heat

system dynamics and smart control

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OBJECTIVES OF STRATEGY

SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, POLITICAL

- Meet objectives at least cost with social equity
- Avoid irreversible, risky technologies

ENERGY SECURITY

- Reduce dependence on finite fossil and nuclear fuels
- UK 20% of energy from renewables by 2020 => ~35% renewable electricity?
- renewable transport fuels: 5% of by 2010, 10% by 2020

ENVIRONMENT

UK

- Government targets for GHG reduction from 1990: 12-20% by 2010, ~30% by 2020, 80% 1990-2050, including international transport.
- Require >95% GHG reduction for climate control and global equity

Europe 2020

- 20/30% GHG reduction
- 20% renewable energy fraction

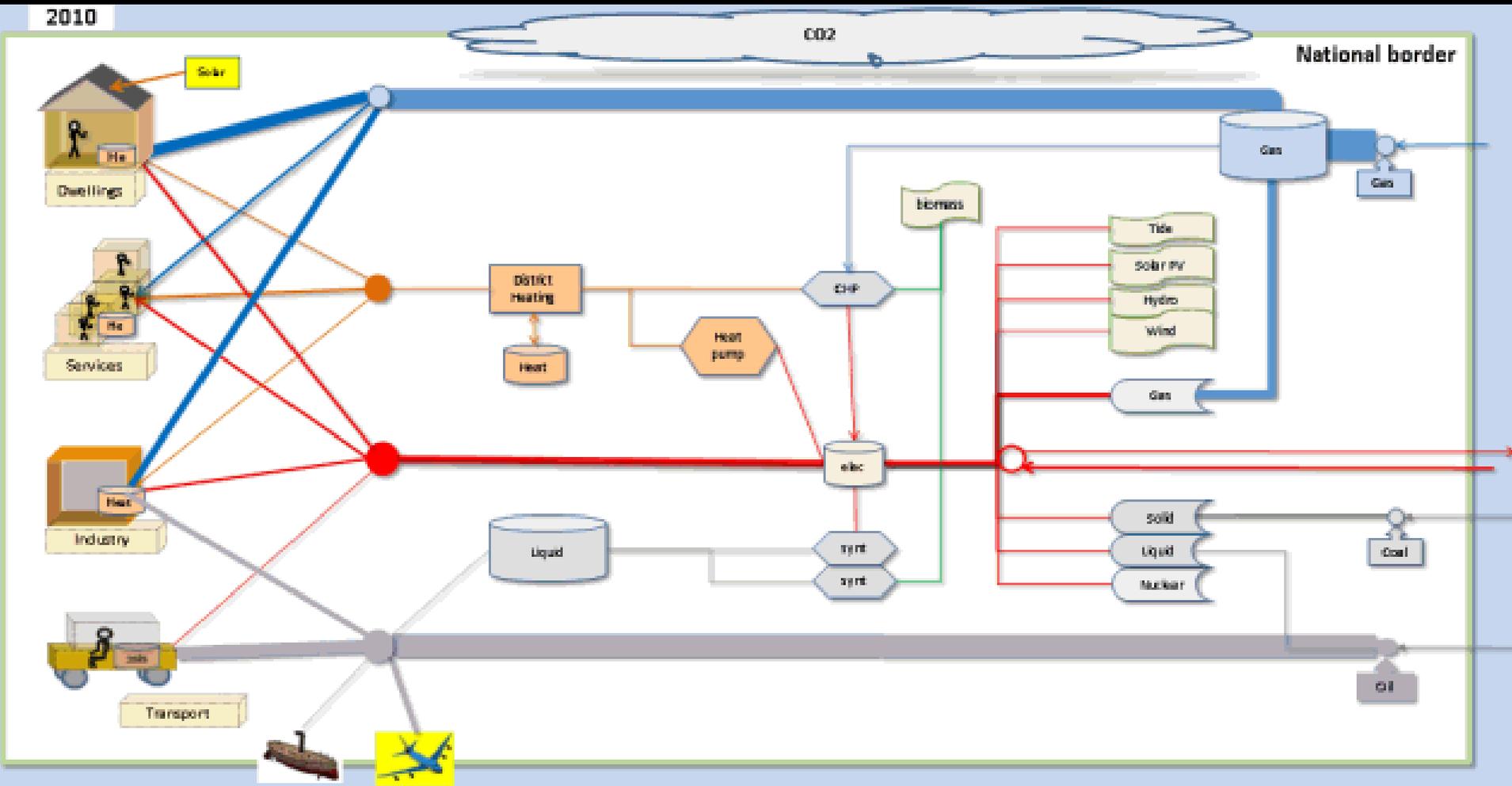
Policy options

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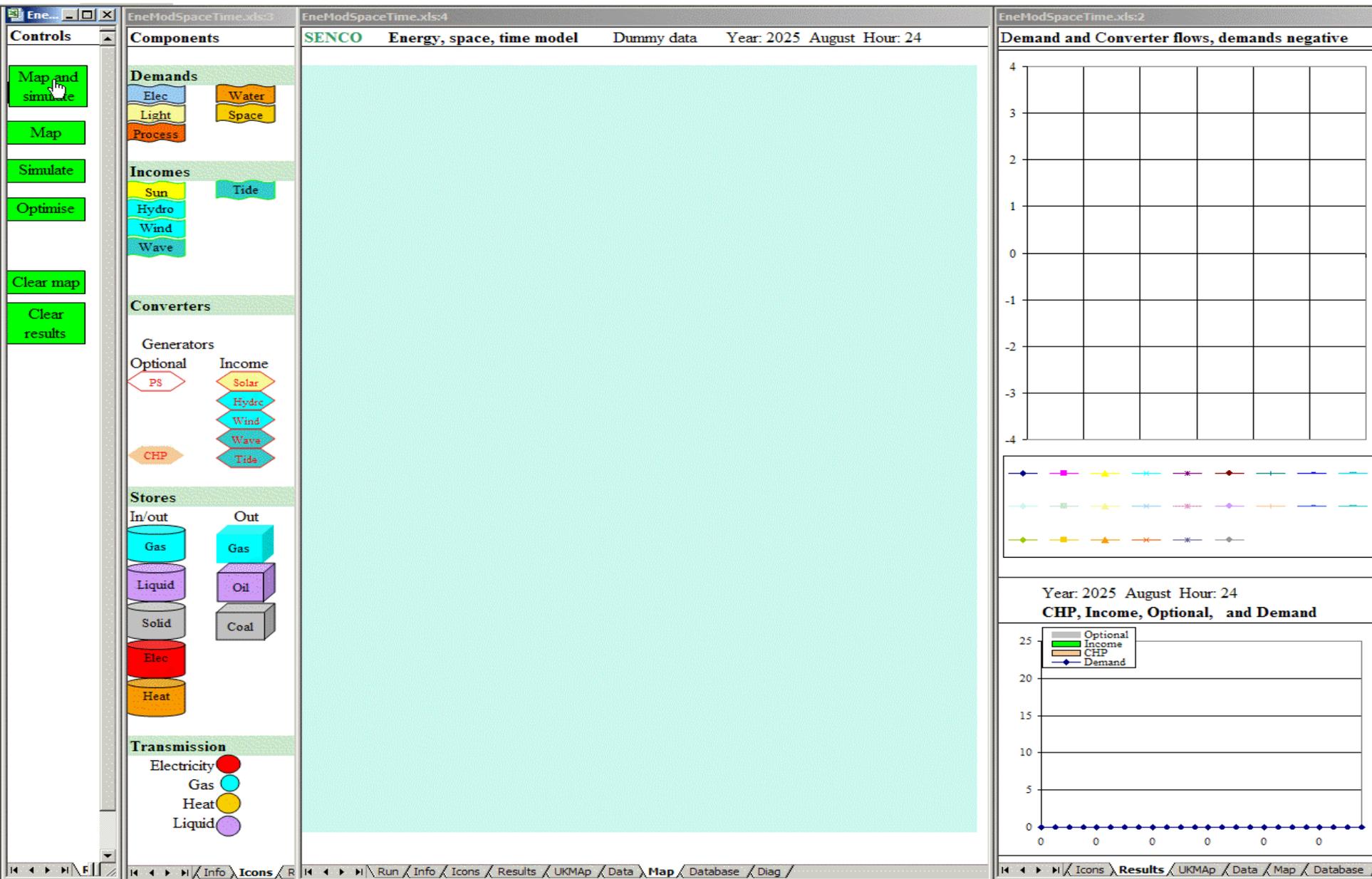
- **Behavioural change:** demand, and choice and use of technologies
 - demand substitution, less air travel
 - modal shift from car and truck to bus and rail, lower motorway speeds, building temperatures
 - smaller cars
- **Demand management**
 - insulation, ventilation control, recycling, efficient appliances...
- **Energy efficient conversion**
 - cogeneration...
- **Fuel switching**
 - to low/zero emission renewable and other sources
- **Emission control technologies**
 - flue gas desulphurisation, catalytic converters, particulate traps...

The whole system **animated**

2010

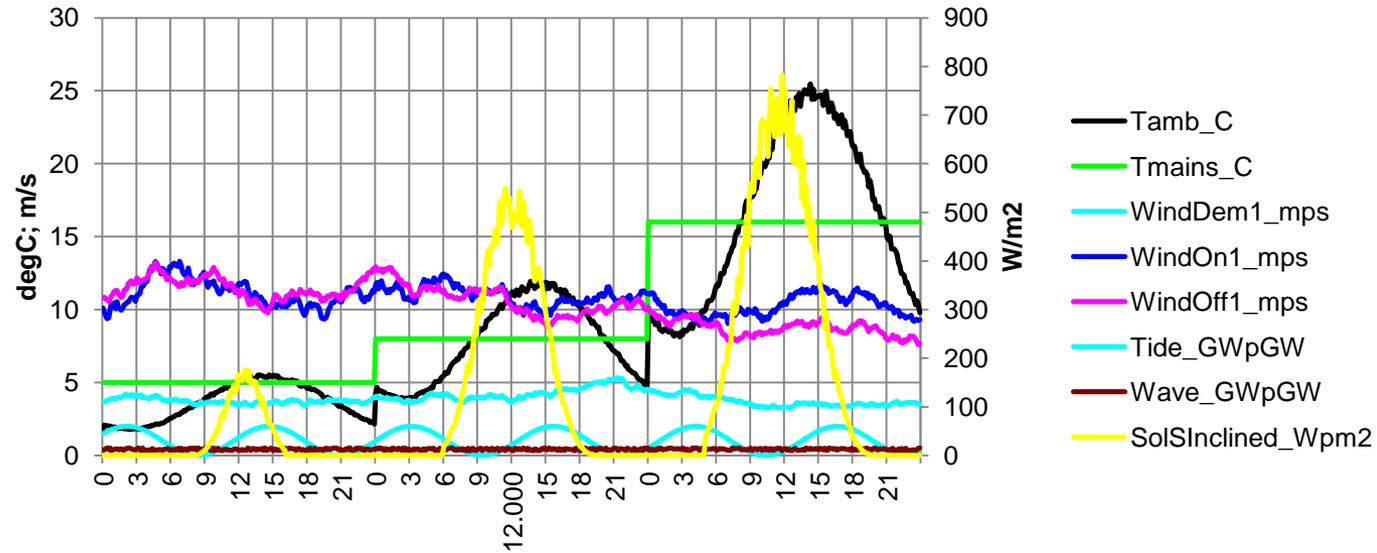


UK energy, space and time : **animated**

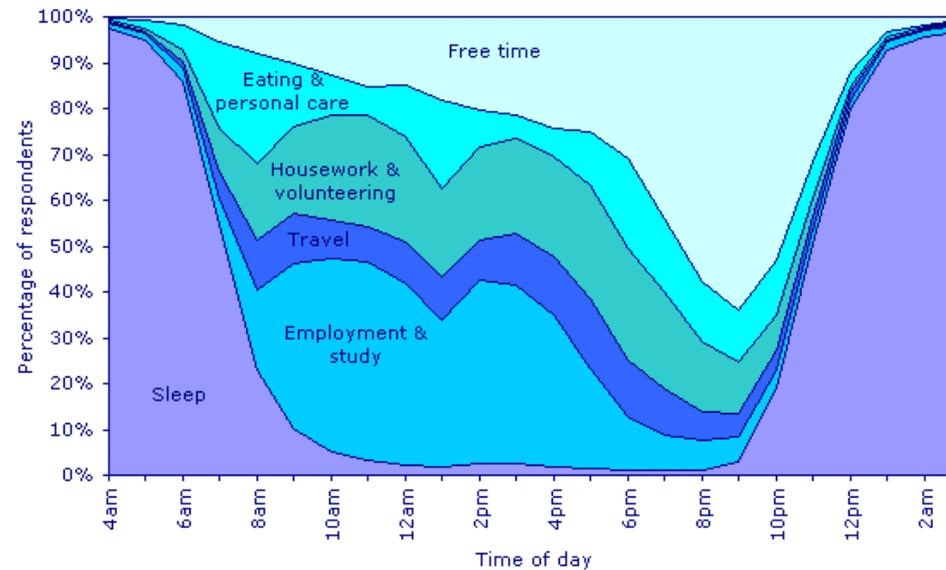


Temporal drivers

Weather



Use of time - UK average



Heat development – strategic issues

Long development time so need to consider several decades.

Given socioeconomic development and efficiency improvements, what is the ‘end state’ for:

Heat demands in terms of:

- quantity
- temperature
- space
- time

Heat loads:

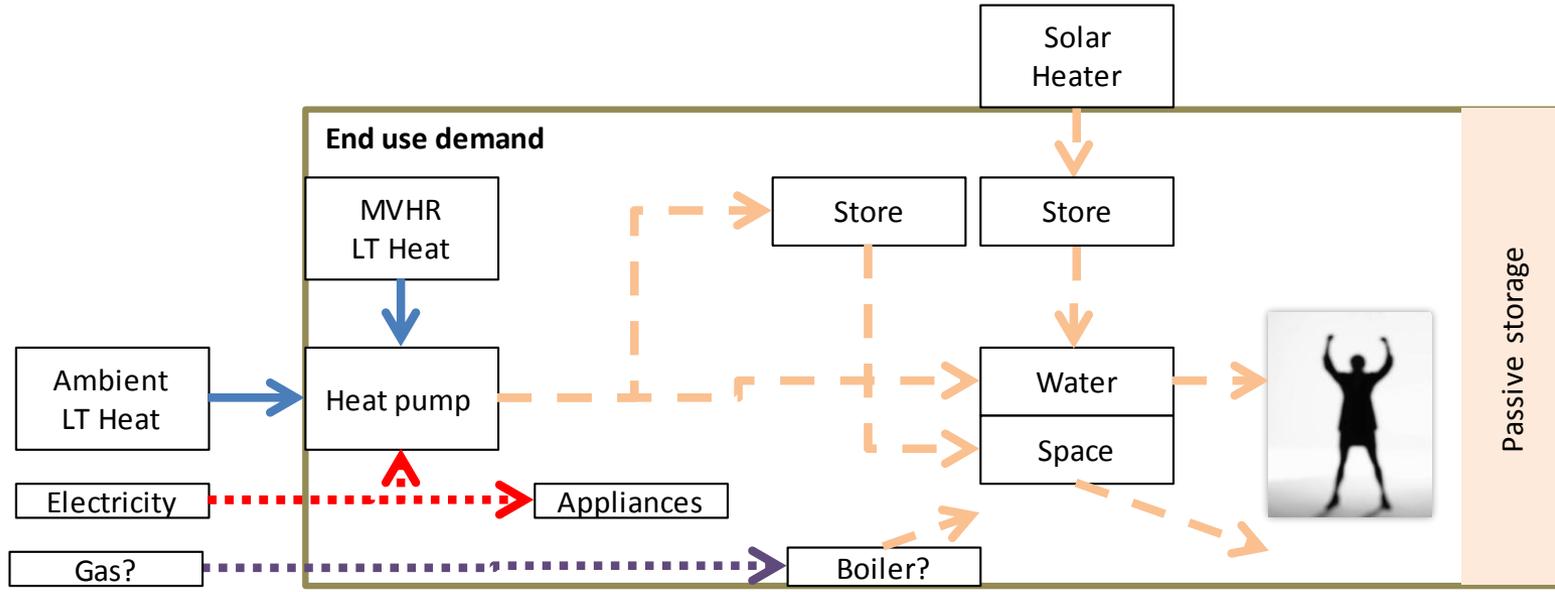
- Buildings – HW, space
- Industry – process heat
- Fuel synthesis – HT heat

Heat supply:

- Electric heat pumps
- Biomass – availability and spatial distribution
 - fuel synthesis (ammonia, hydrocarbons, hydrogen and processing)
- Solar, geothermal
- Waste heat
 - industry

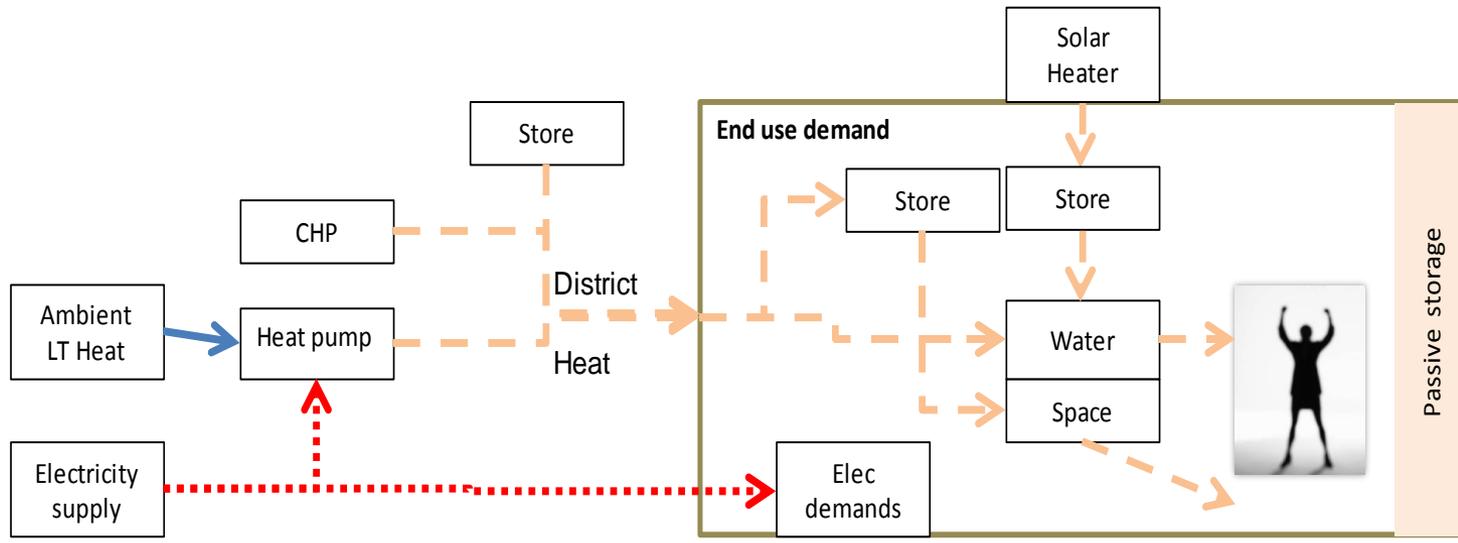
Dwellings; two archetypes

Heat pump
single source
peaks
little storage



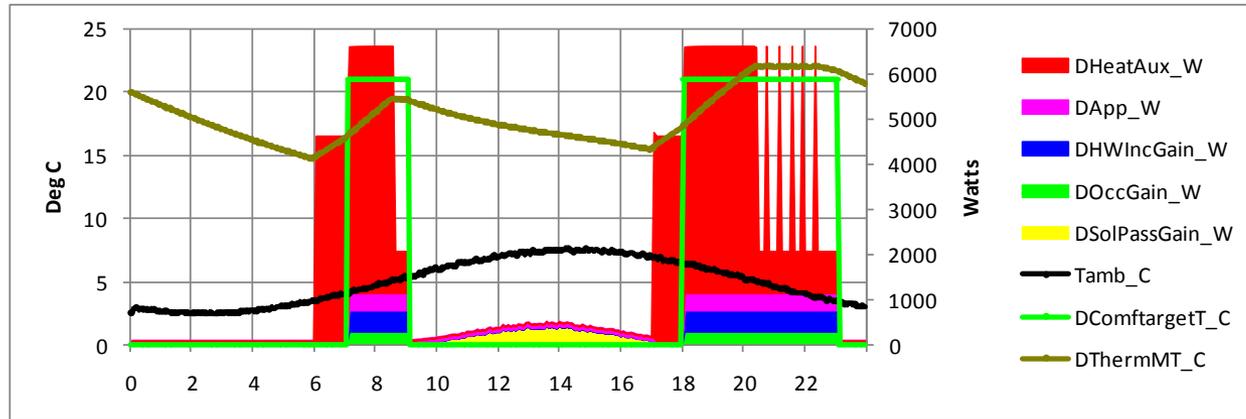
District heat
diversity
multiple inputs
cheap storage

implementation

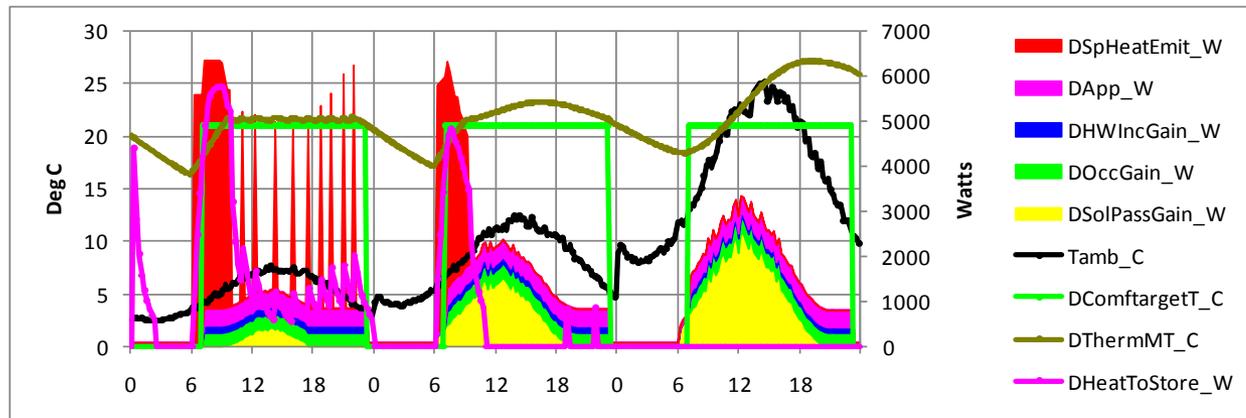


Building dynamics : heating

Winter's day

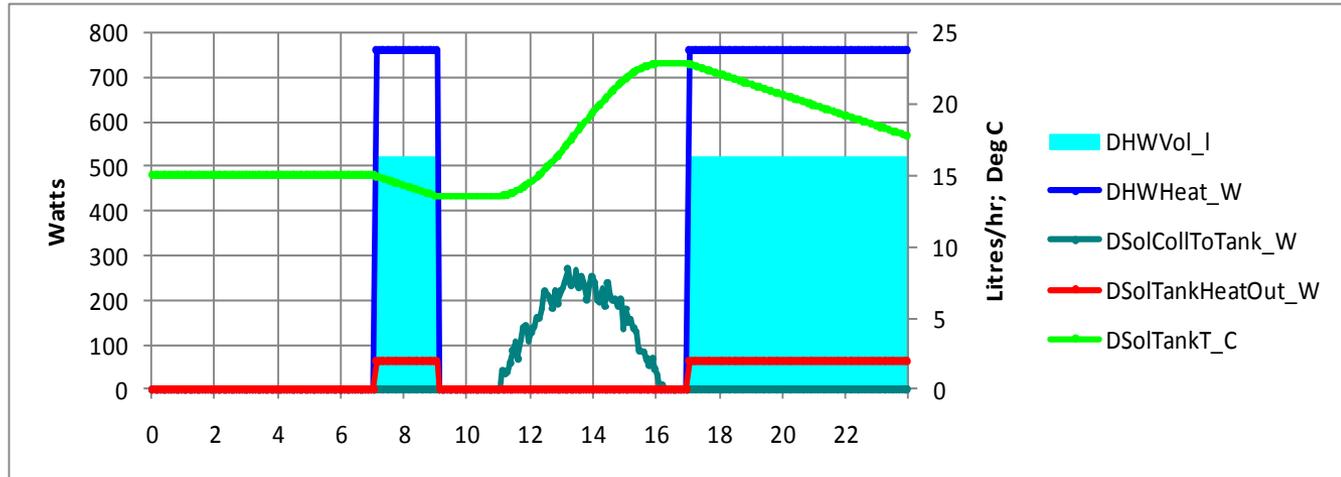


Months 1,4,7

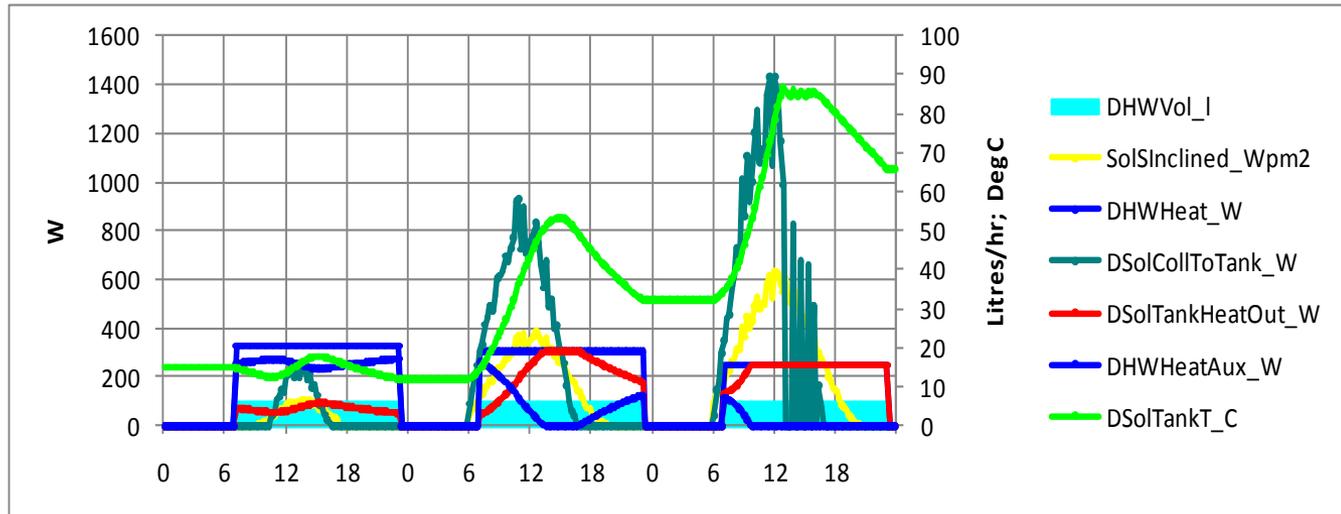


Building dynamics: solar heater

Winter's day



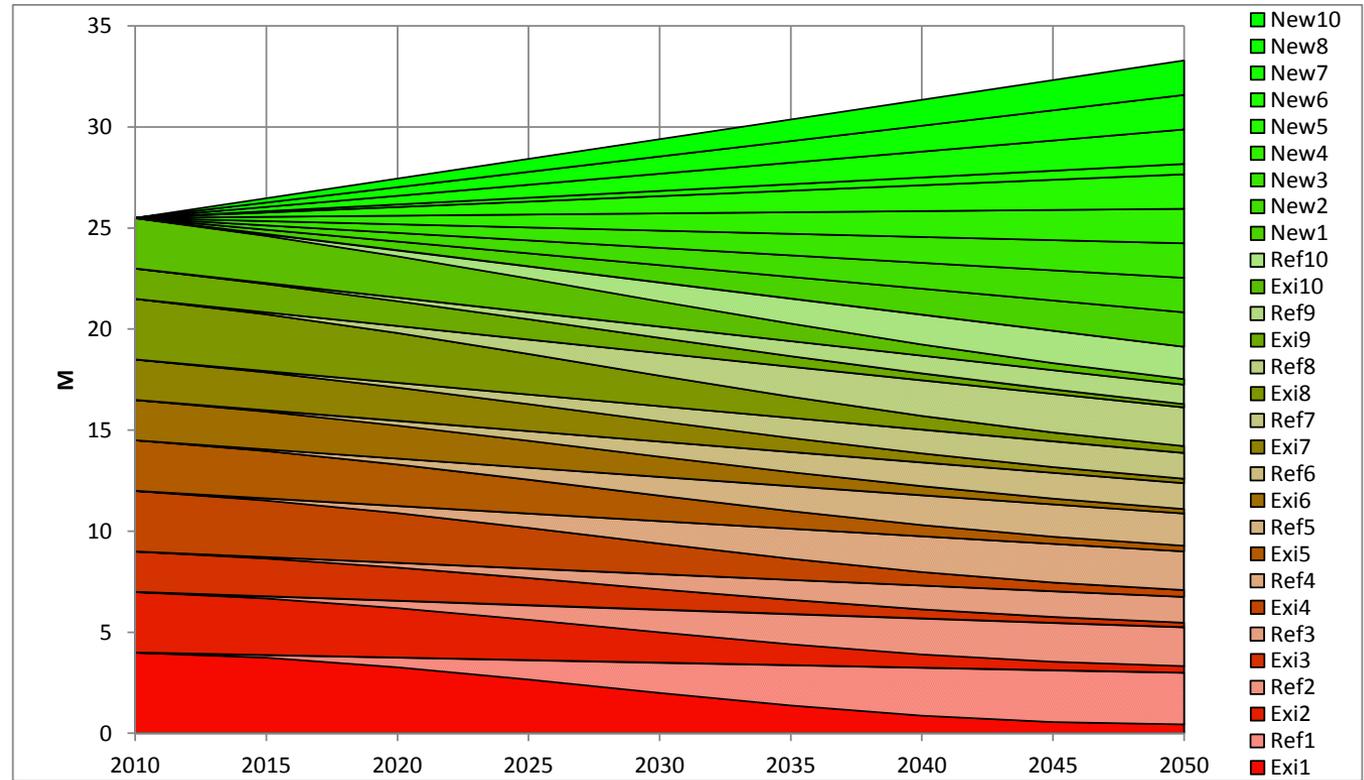
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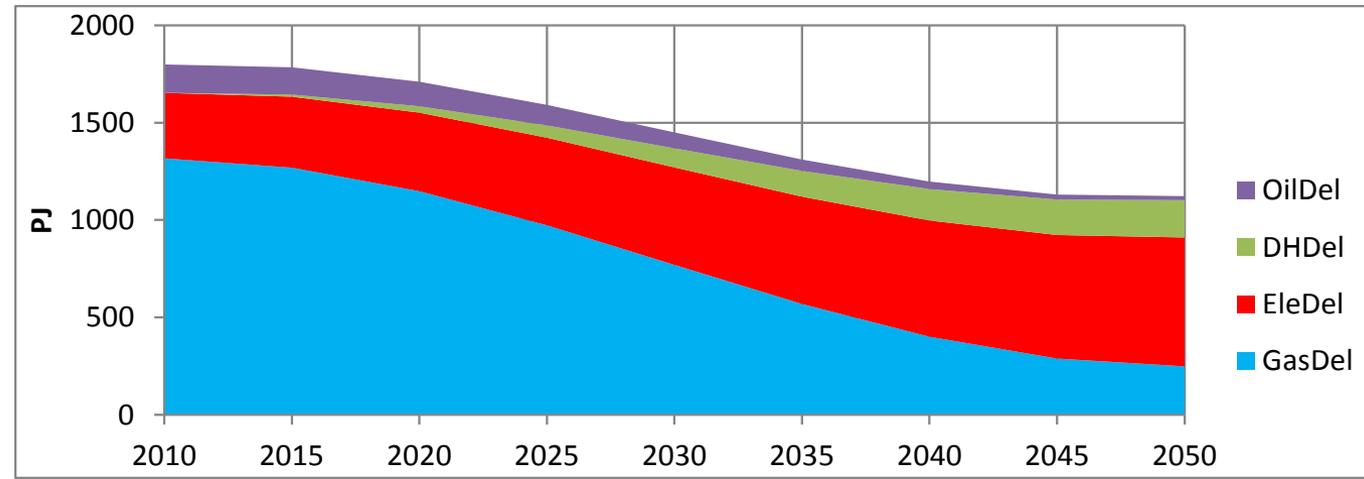
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Numbers of PDCs changing with:

- Demolition
- Refurbishment
- New build



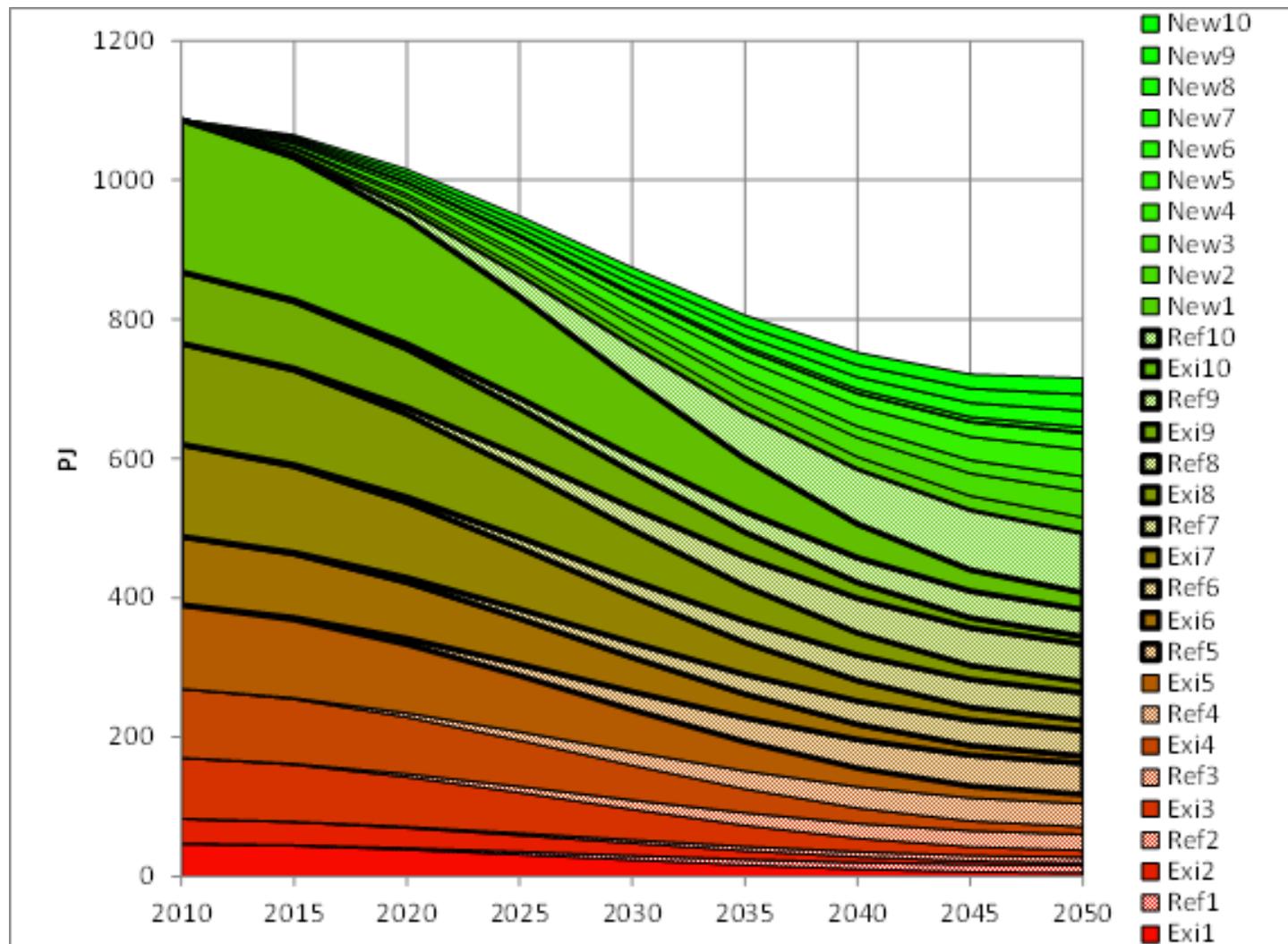
Gradual change in fuel mix from mainly gas to electricity



Person-Dwelling Combinations

Heat (space+water) demand of PDCs changing with:

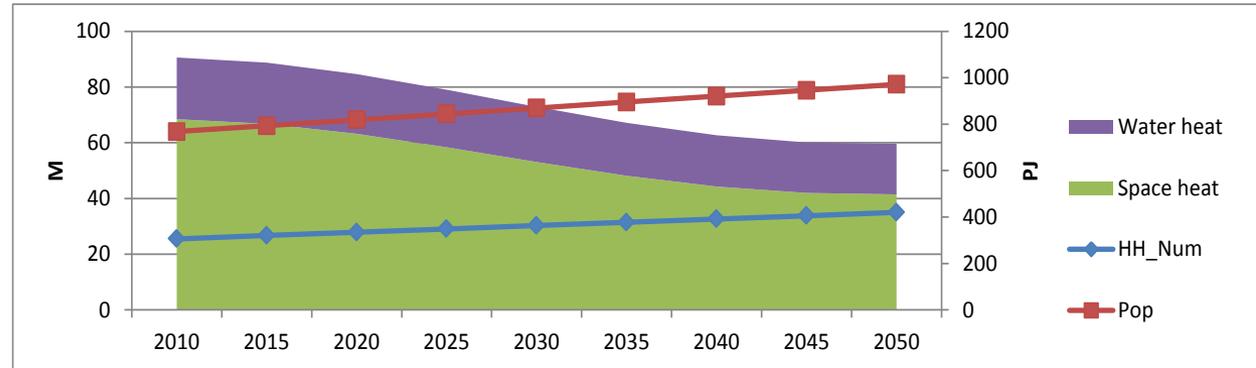
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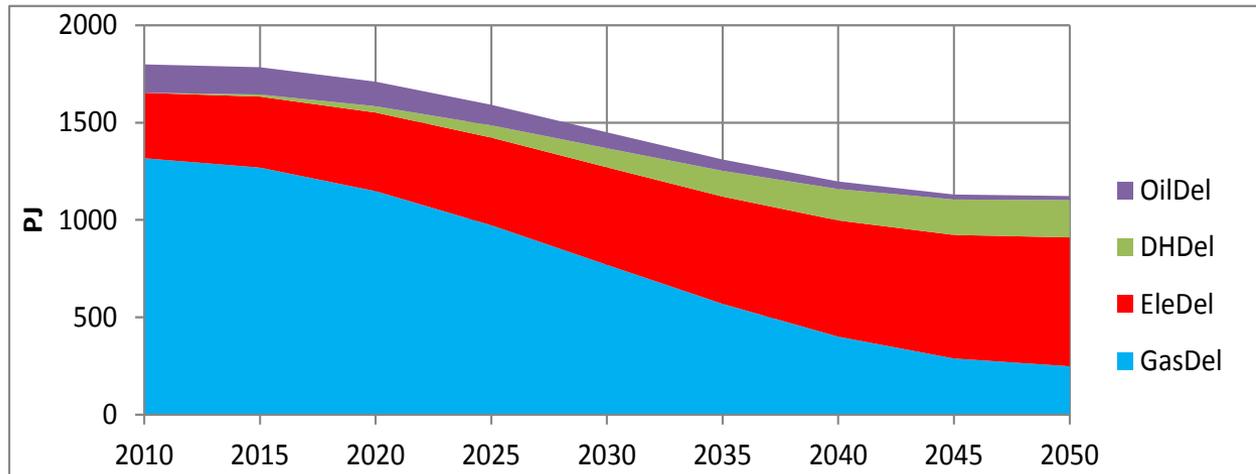
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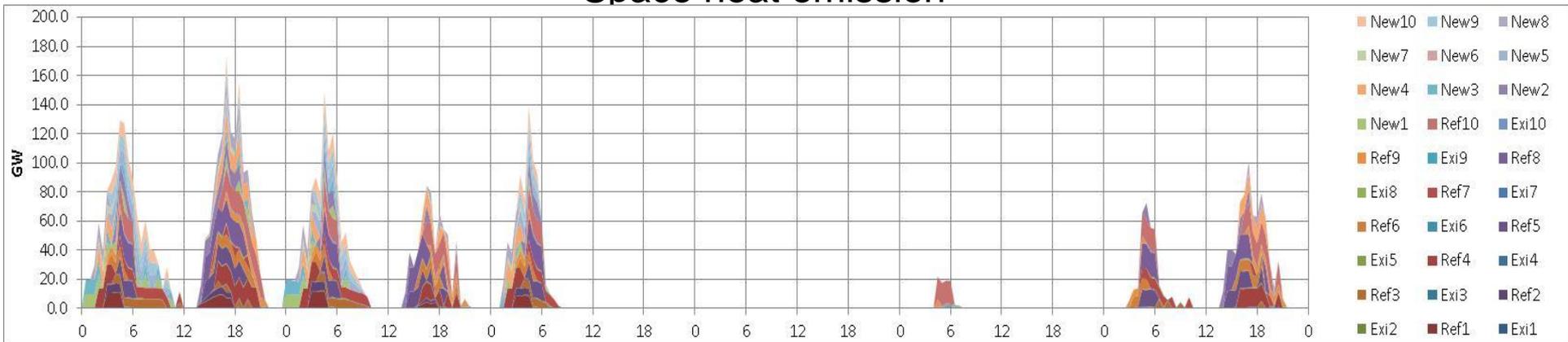
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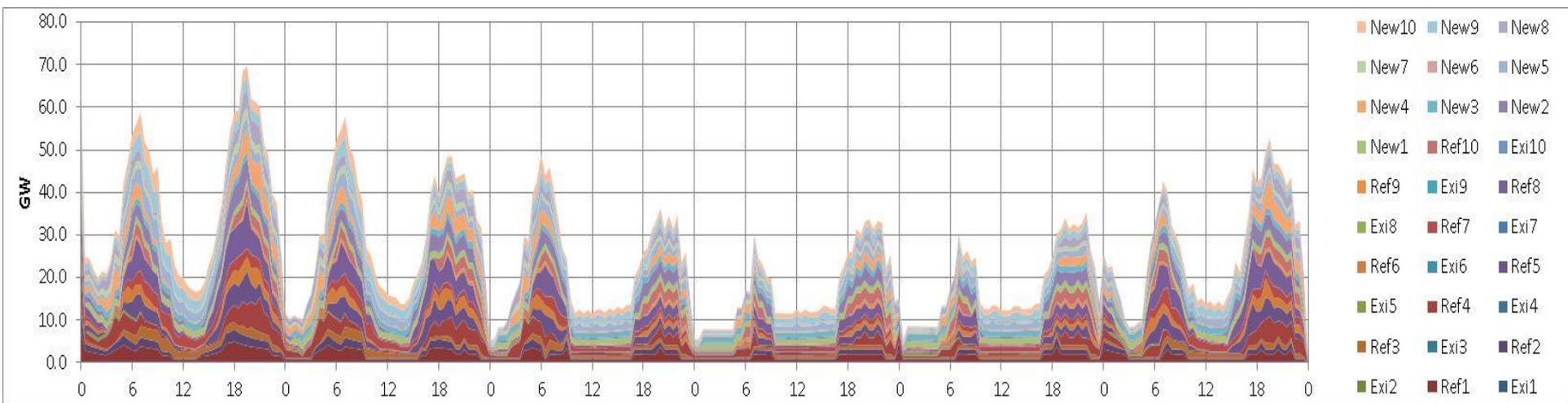
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Space heat emission



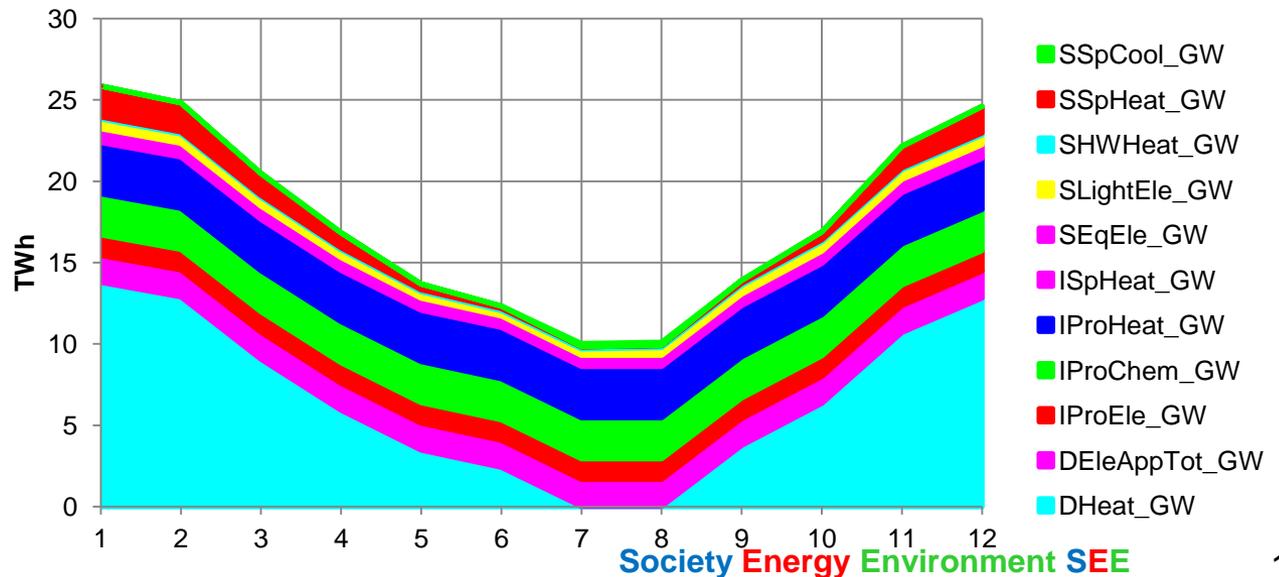
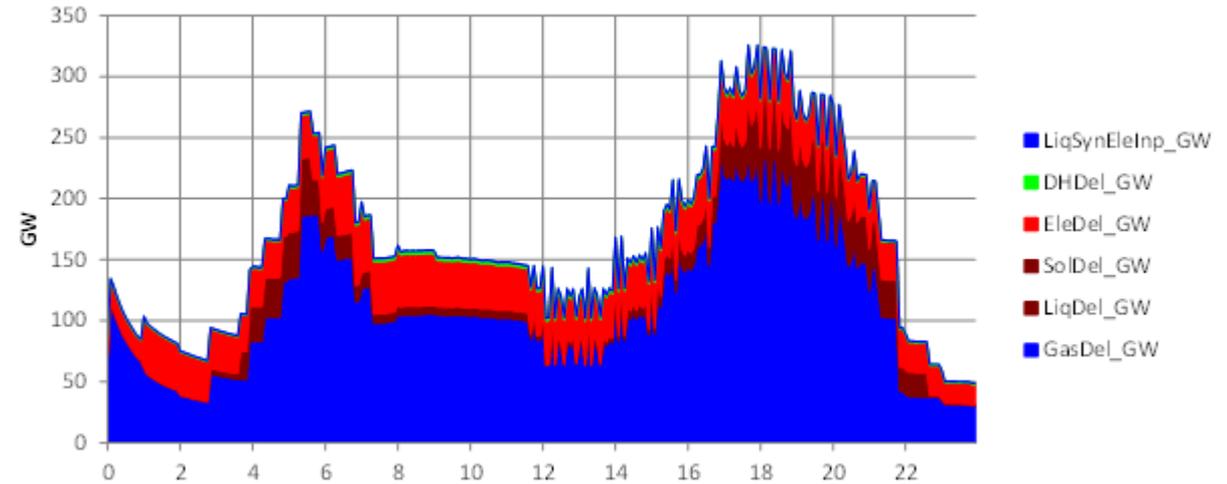
Delivered electricity



Energy demand and time

Currently most heat load met with gas, with a peak of about 250 GW.

What if this were done with electricity?



And seasonal variation

Heat supply development - transition

What will happen to the gas grid?

Will it be used for:

- Quantity supply with renewable gas and/or CCS
- Backup to biomass, heat pumps etc?

Will the whole gas system be retained, or just part?

District heating and electric heat pumps

Develop DH networks from:

- Nuclei of large heat loads (office blocks, hospitals etc.) initially with gas CHP input
- Existing urban power stations? Initially fossil, then biomass?
- Suitable heat source for heat pumps - e.g. sea, river (e.g. Stockholm)
- Industrial waste heat

Fuel production – heat load and low temperature waste heat

- Refining: coastal with ports. Currently ~10 GW CHP equivalent
- Fuel synthesis plants: electricity to ammonia, hydrocarbons, hydrogen, biofuels
 - Sited near coasts/ports to absorb off-shore wind/biomass and for sea transport or use (ammonia)
 - Sited at filling stations?

Demand – supply matching

High renewable fractions will include a large wind component;

- what will happen when there is a deficit or surplus of renewable energy of perhaps 100 GW?

Demands

- Vary with social activity and weather
- Electric heat supply with heat pumps that vary with weather

Supplies:

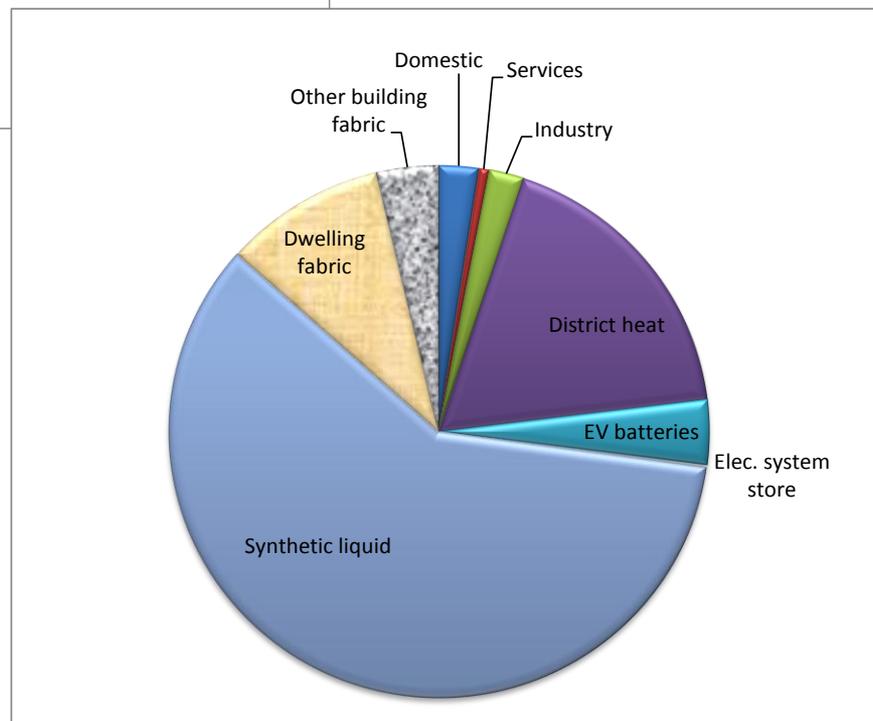
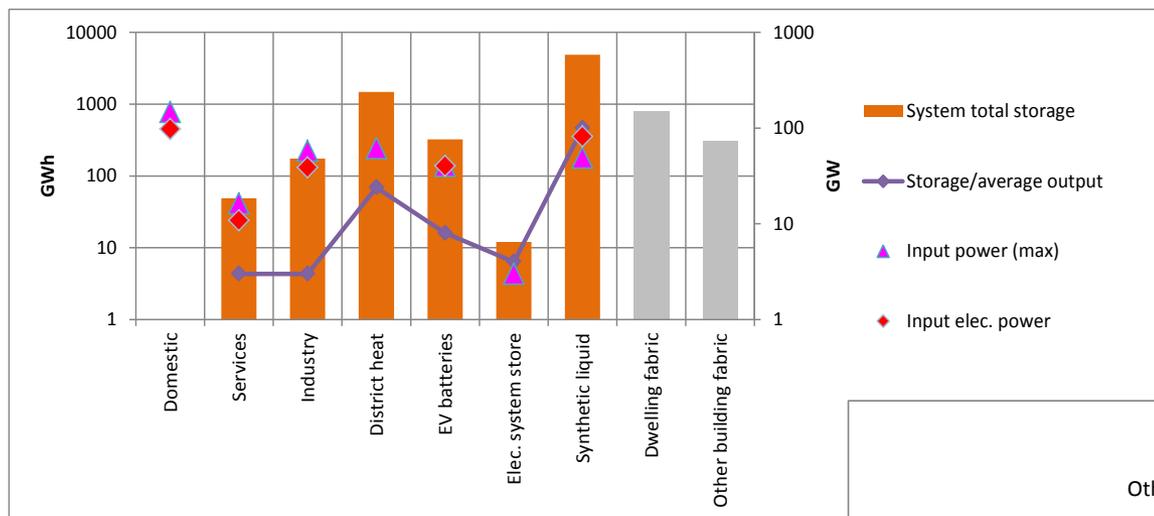
- Renewables that vary with weather
- Dispatchable renewables

Matching

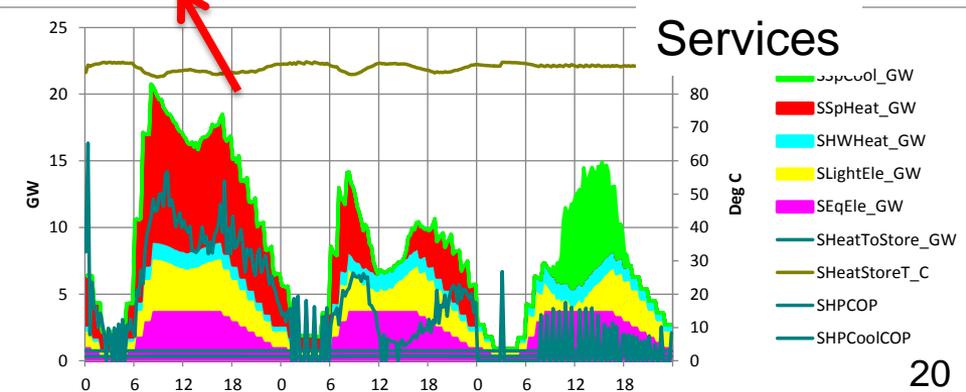
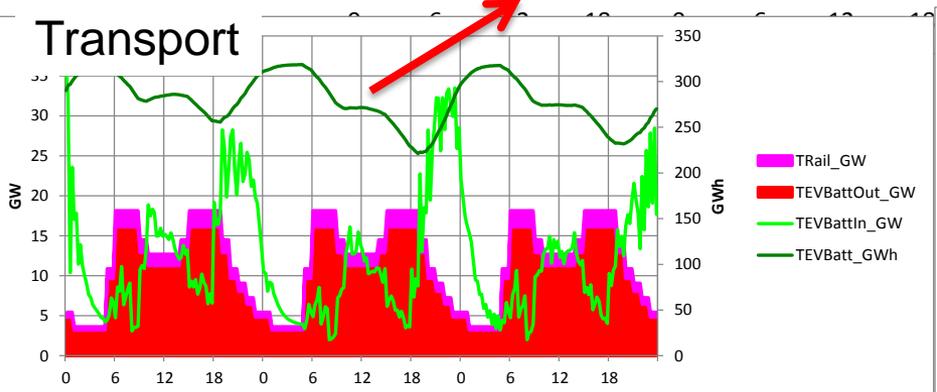
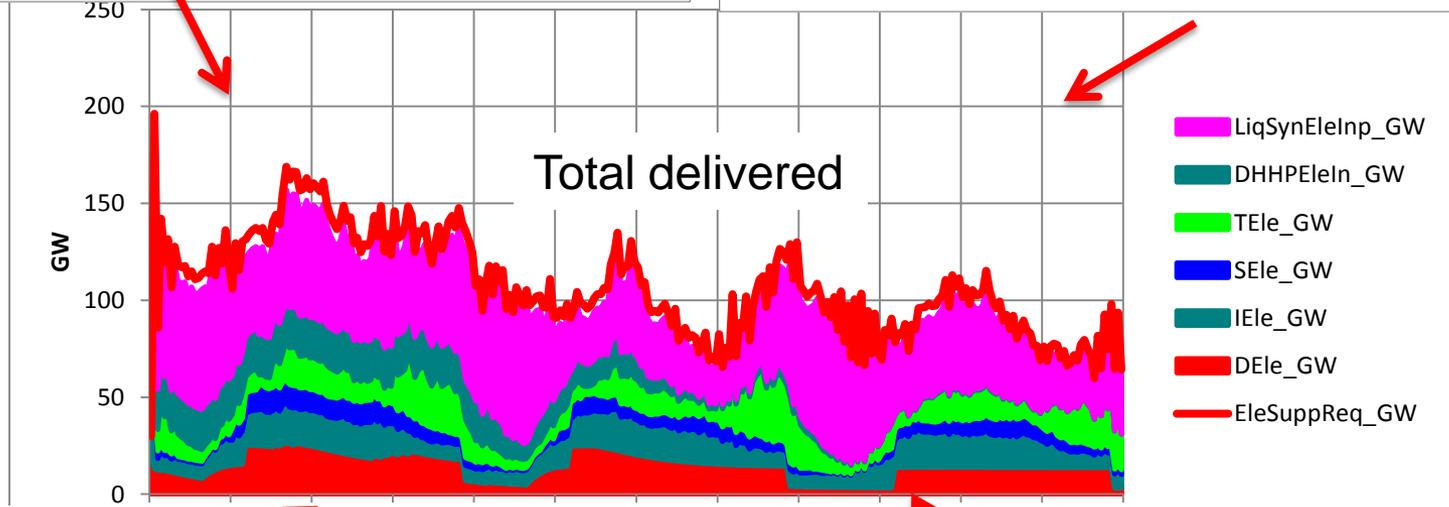
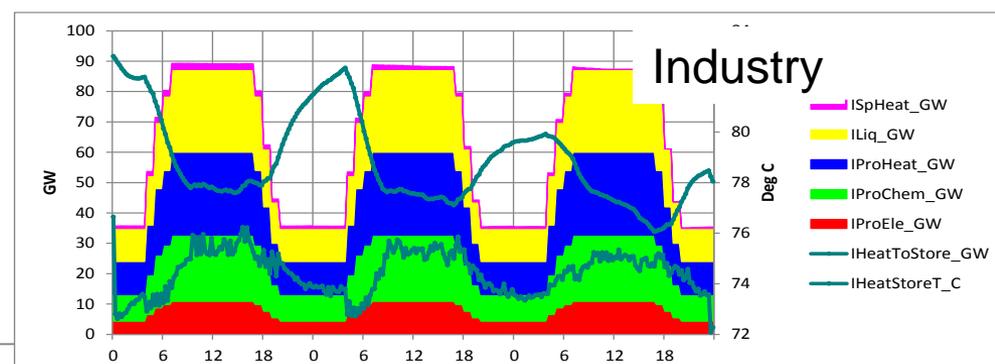
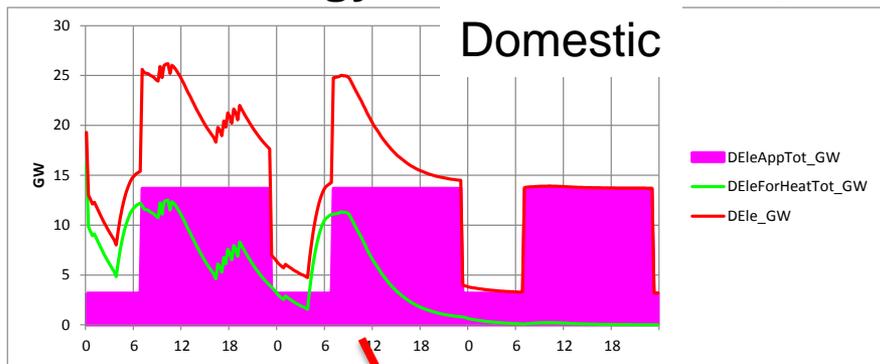
- Dispatchable supplies - chemical fossil/biomass
- Storage – heat, chemical, mechanical
- Transmission

A large fraction of electricity will be used for heat.
 Electricity is expensive to store, heat is cheap to store

National system – storage

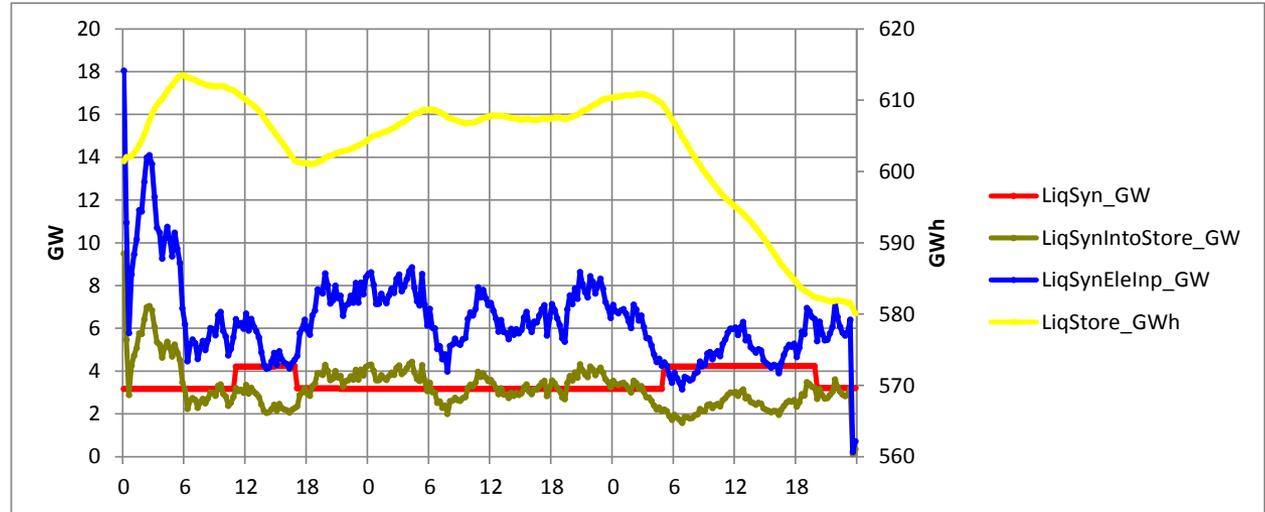


National energy deliveries – one day for months 1,4,7 ; modelled at 15 min intervals

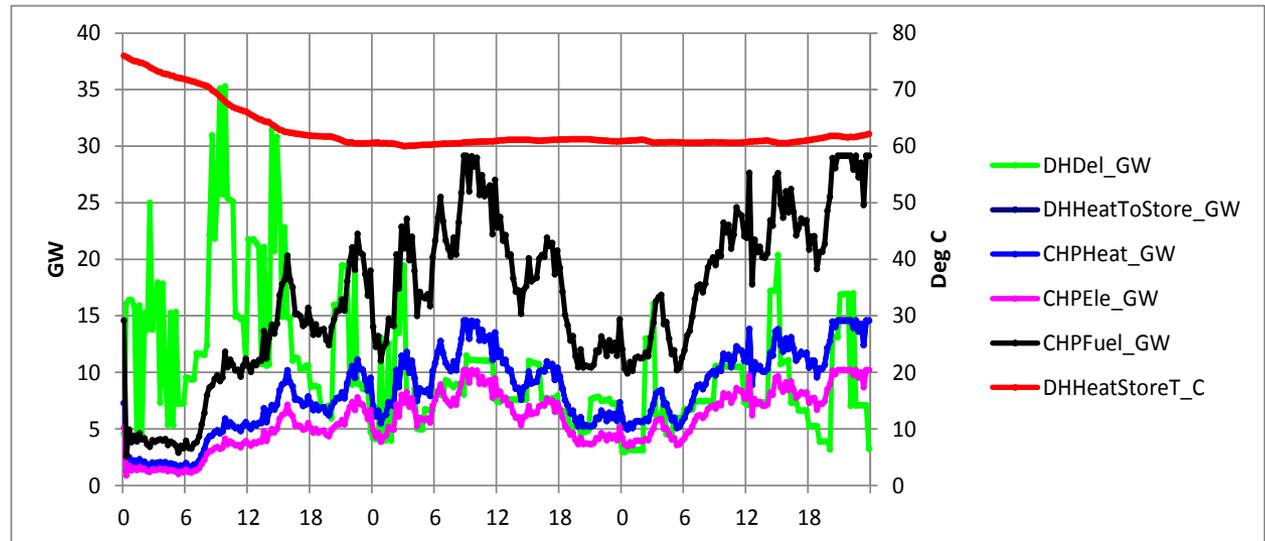


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SYNTHETIC FUELS



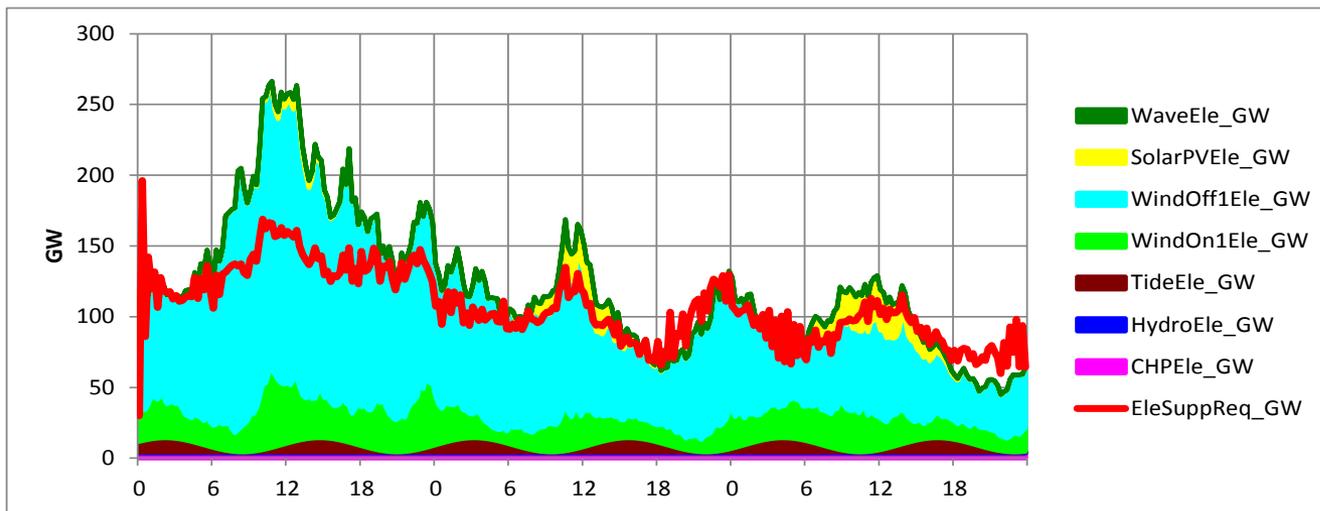
DISTRICT HEAT/CHP



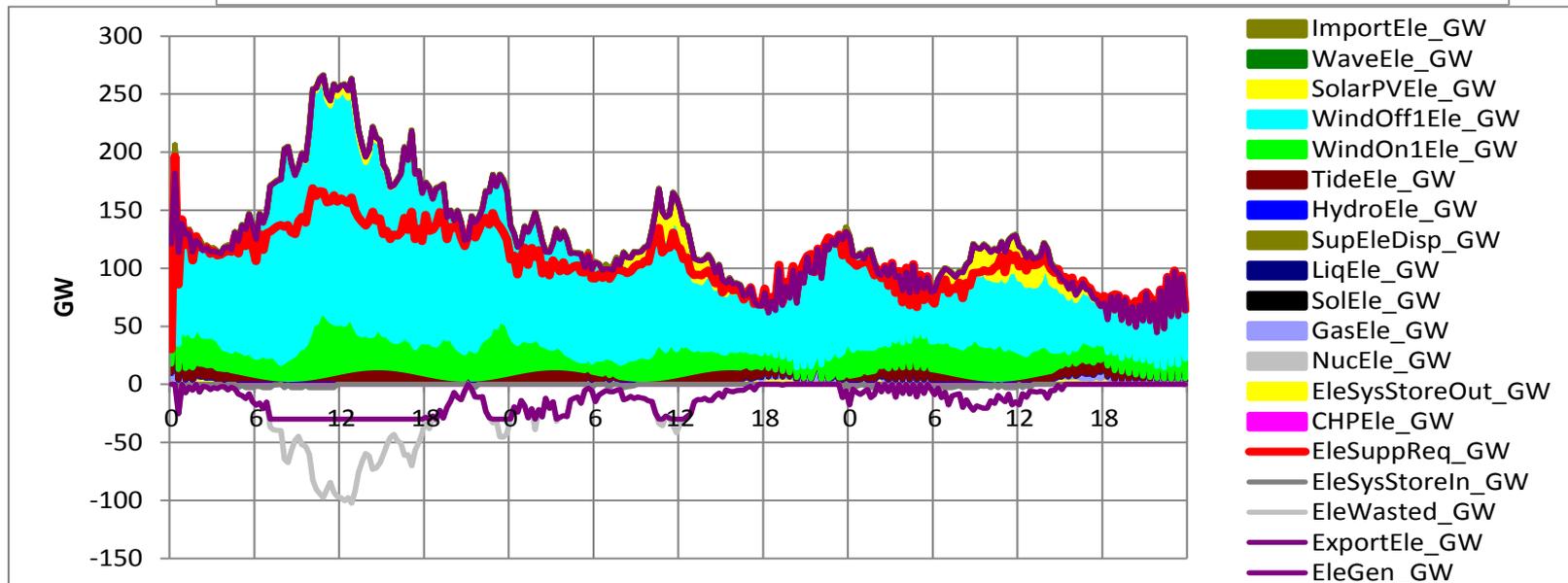
National electricity supply – 1 day for months 1,4,7; modelled at 15 min intervals

Smart grid algorithm applied to match demand and supply with storage

Renewable and CHP

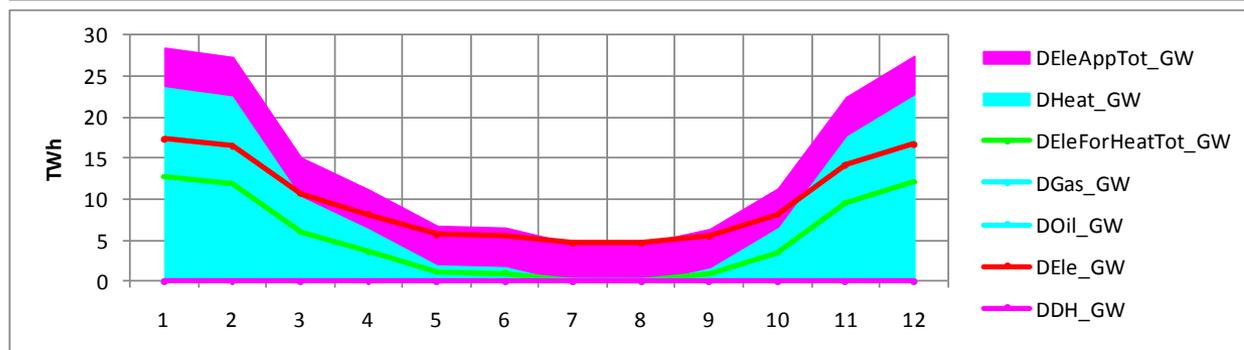
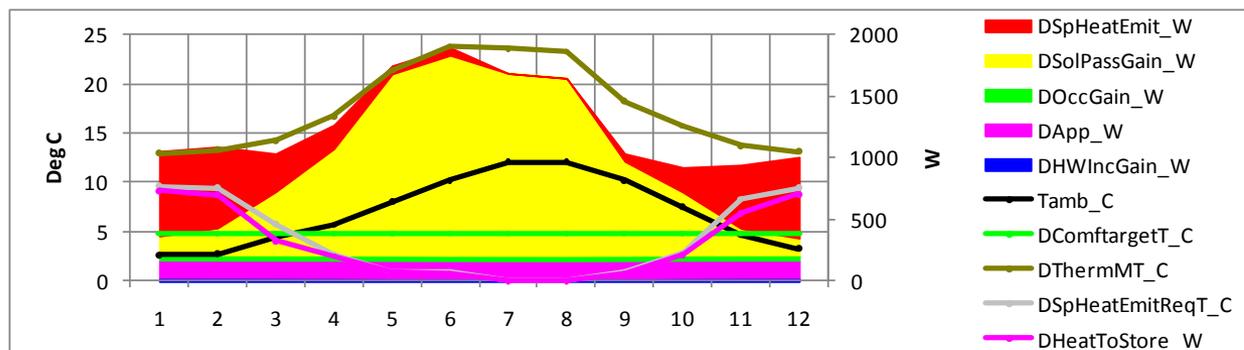


Electricity:
 • Demand
 • Renewables
 • Trade

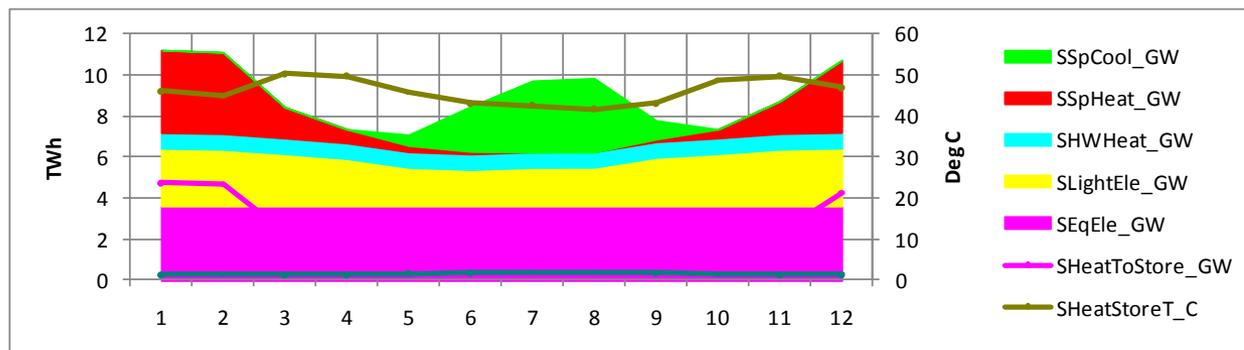


Monthly flows

Domestic



Services



Conclusions

Energy efficiency and renewable electricity are major options for meeting policy objectives

Electrification of heat produces major challenges in terms of peaks and demand-supply matching

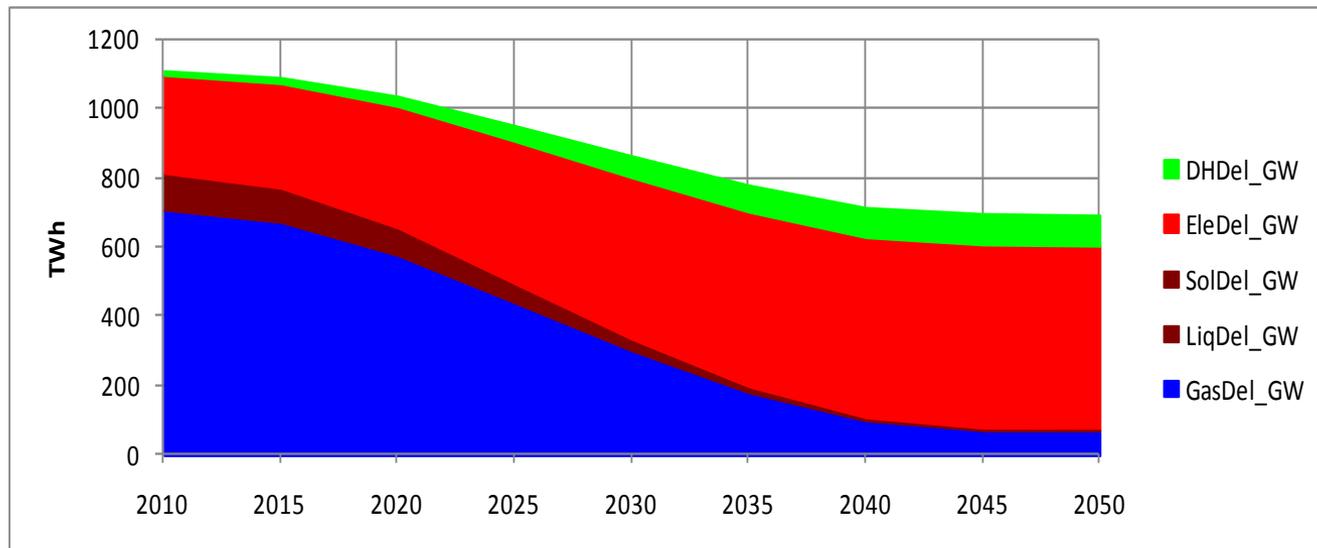
Robust, least cost system designs will integrate all demands and supplies

Electricity demand-supply matching will require the extensive use of a mix of:

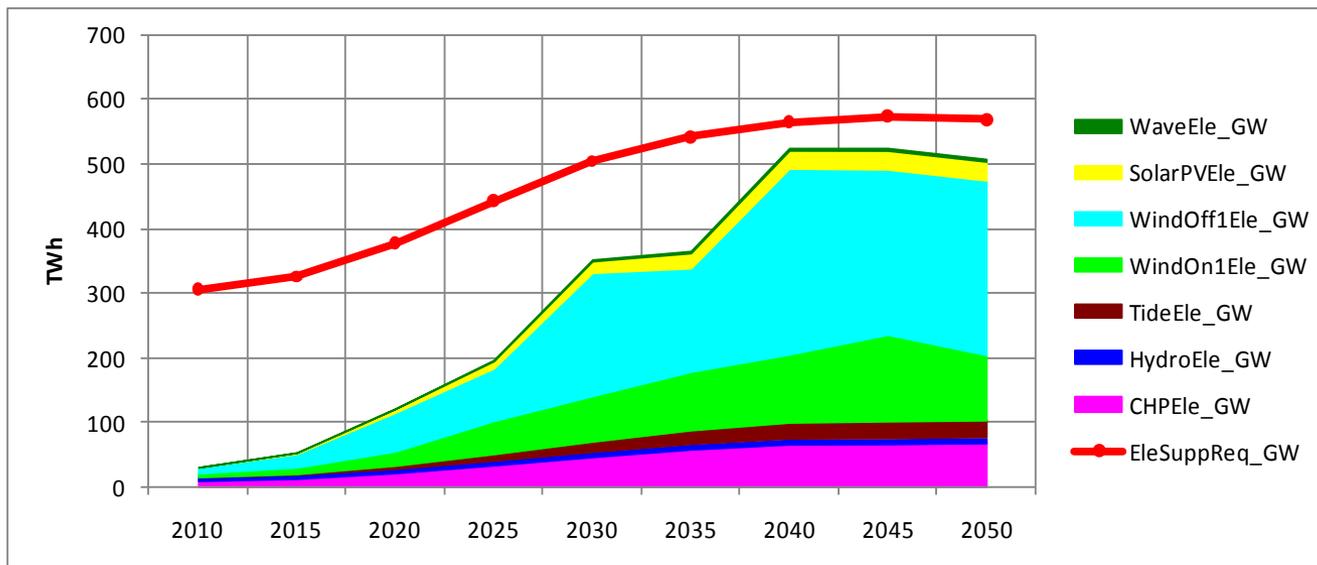
- heat storage
- chemical storage of synthetic fuels
- dispatchable biomass CHP plant
- heat pump inputs to district heating
- long distance transmission

National system scenario

Deliveries



Electricity supply: Renewable and CHP



Heat and DH

National context for DH

A. Heat demand

1. domestic, industry, services, refineries etc.:

- quantities, load density, temperatures, temporal pattern

B. Fundamental technical and economic analysis

1. What fraction of heat demand to be met by DH? What densities of heat loads and total size

2. What heat inputs to DH: technologies - boiler/CHP/heat pumps/solar; fuels - biomass, gas.?

- What configurations? How much heat storage?

3. How will DH fit in to the national energy system and meet constraints like carbon and biomass availability?

4. How will DH system operate dynamically in high renewable energy systems?

C. Policy specific to DH

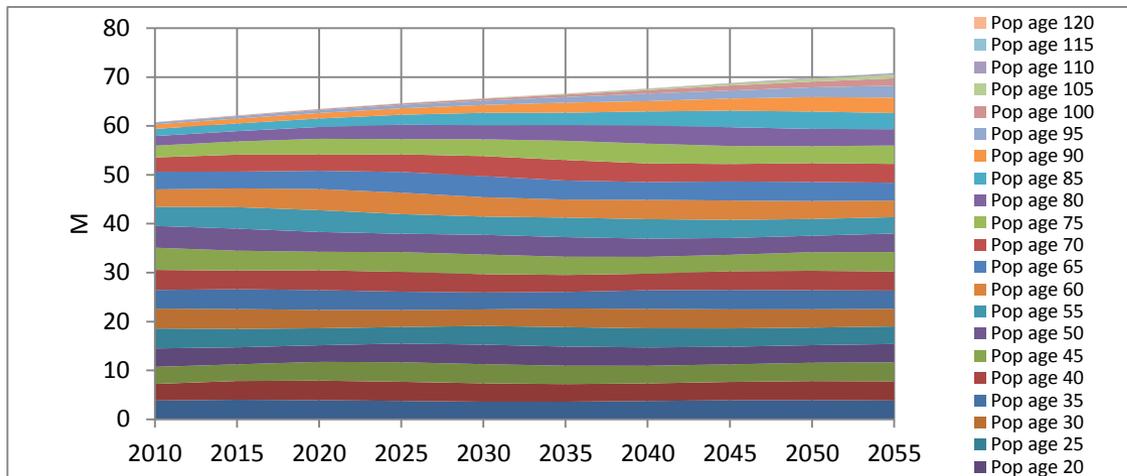
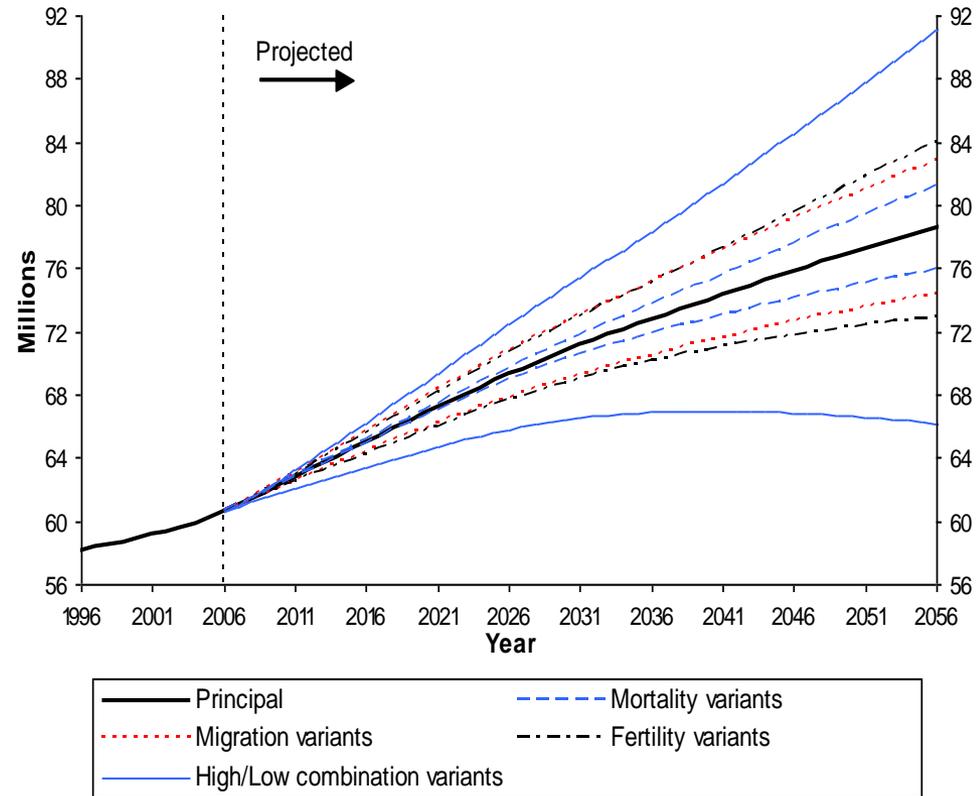
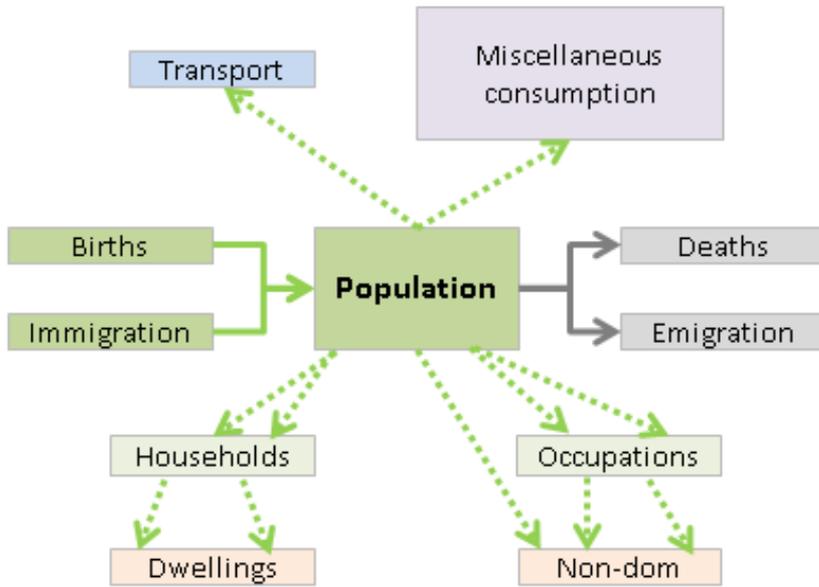
1. Implementation: Building regulations/ standards, local planning, utility requirements.

2. Public infrastructure investment

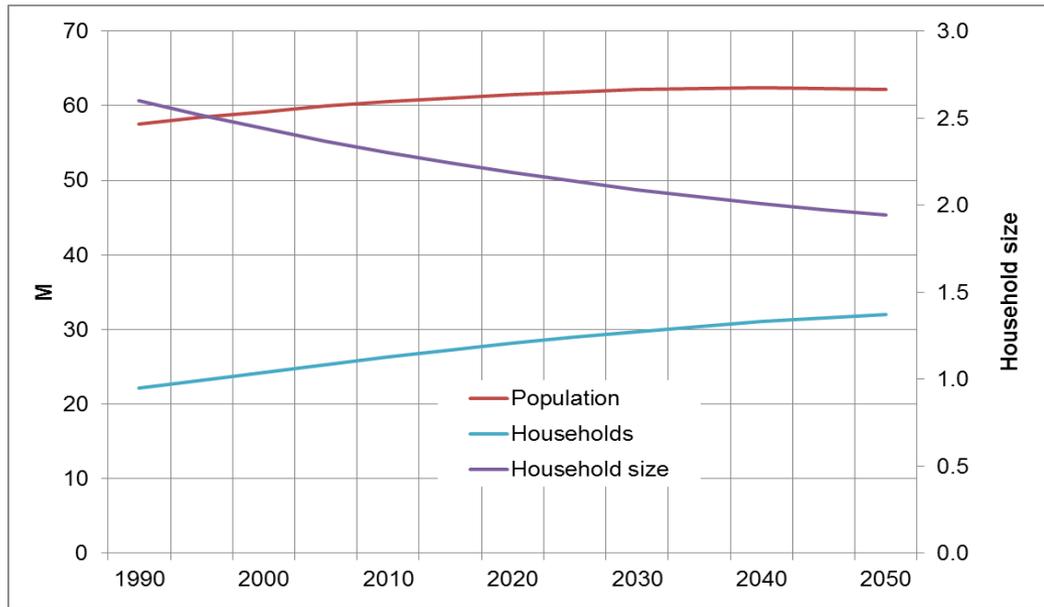
3. Heat, gas and electricity market structures: contracts, pricing etc.

4. Foreign experience

Demography

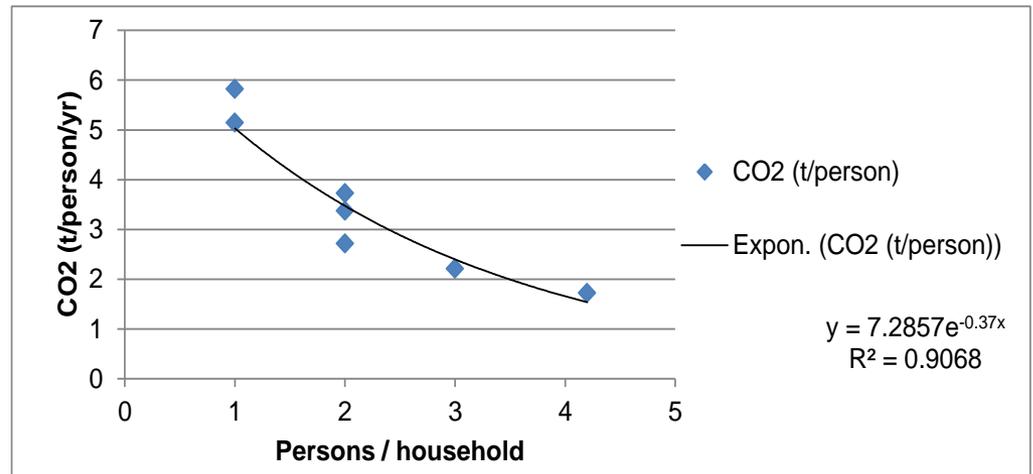


Households and Dwellings - UK DEMOGRAPHY



More people;
Smaller households;
More dwellings;
More energy per person

More carbon per person in small households



People: energy service demands, system use and control

Behaviour and energy services

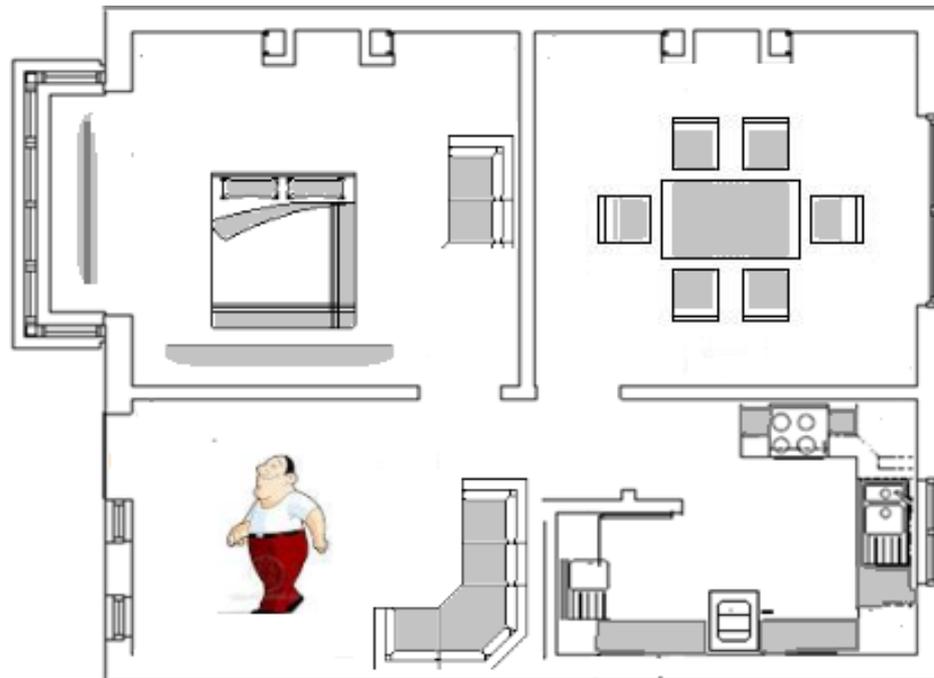
Use of appliances

Control of systems

Monitoring – indoor environ imposes difficult challenges on location discovery due to the dense multipath effect and building material

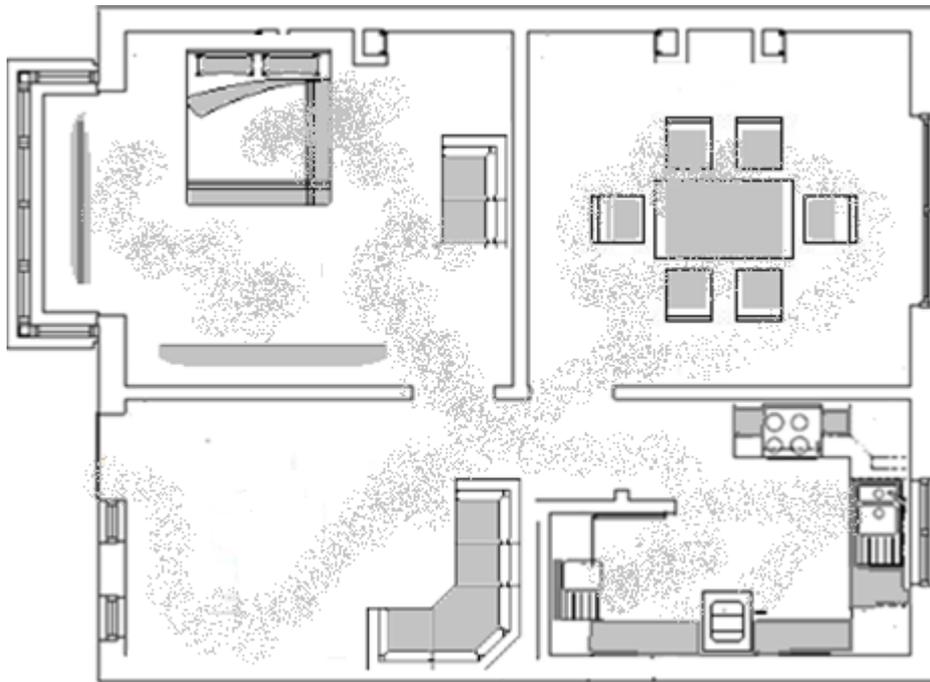
Model occupancy patterns and energy consumption (OPEC)

Intention to extend to other sectors – especially transport

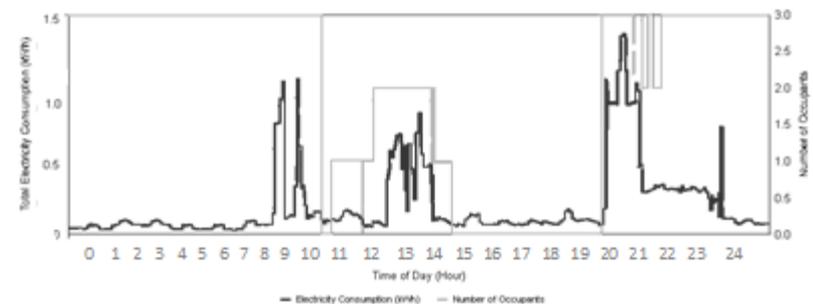
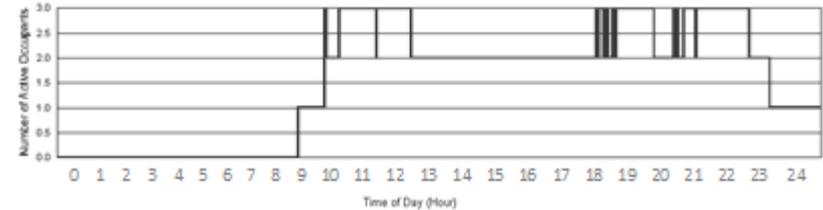


People: energy service demands, system use and control

Patterns of occupancy & Individual appliances energy usage = Individual energy load profiles

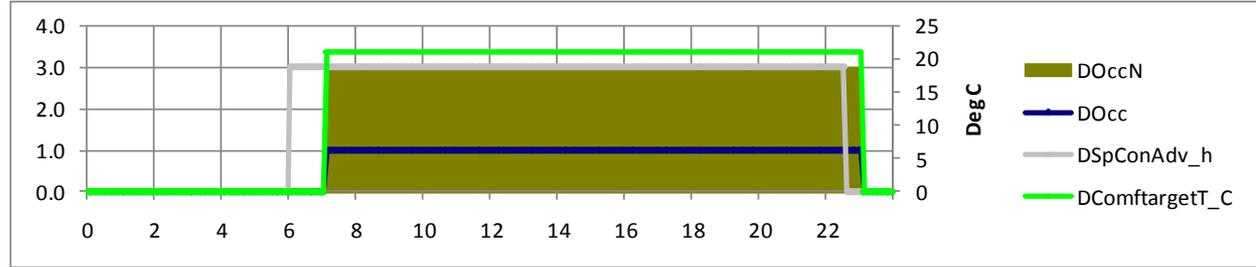
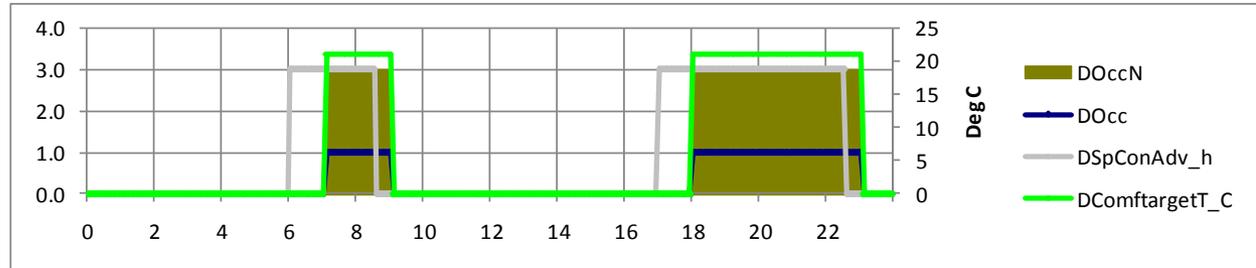


Load curves:
Lighting & appliances
and
occupants' patterns

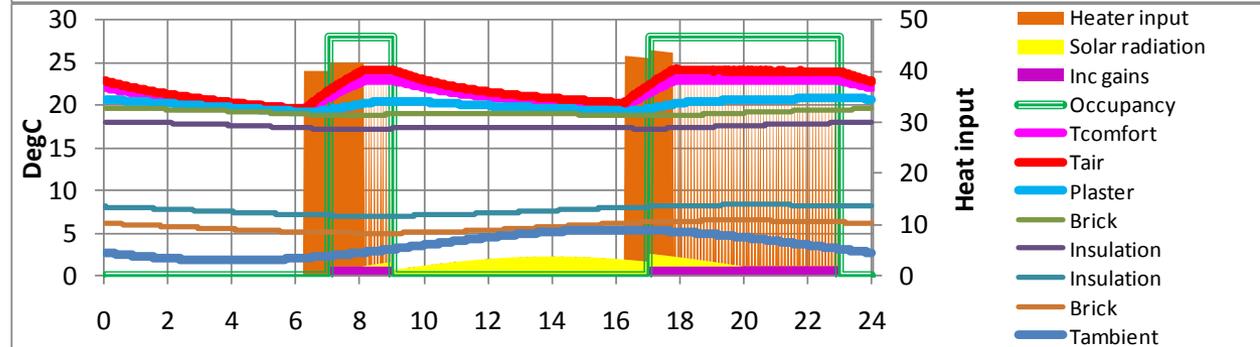
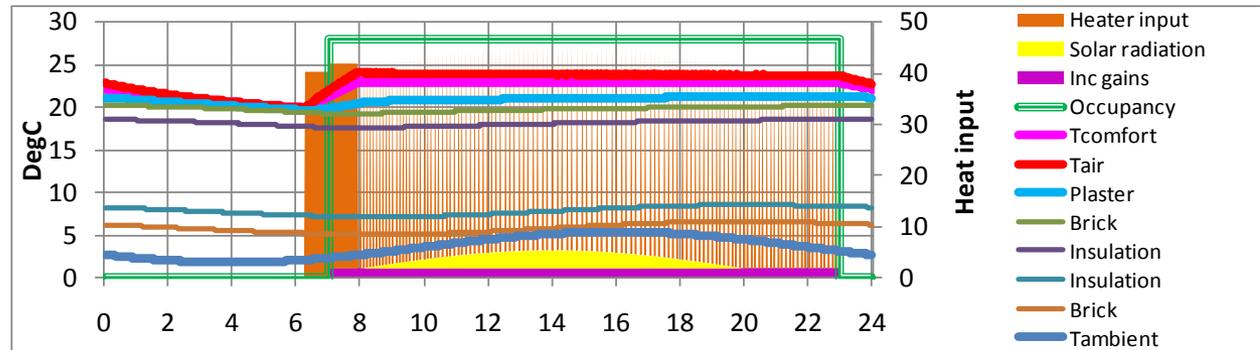


Building dynamics

Occupancy

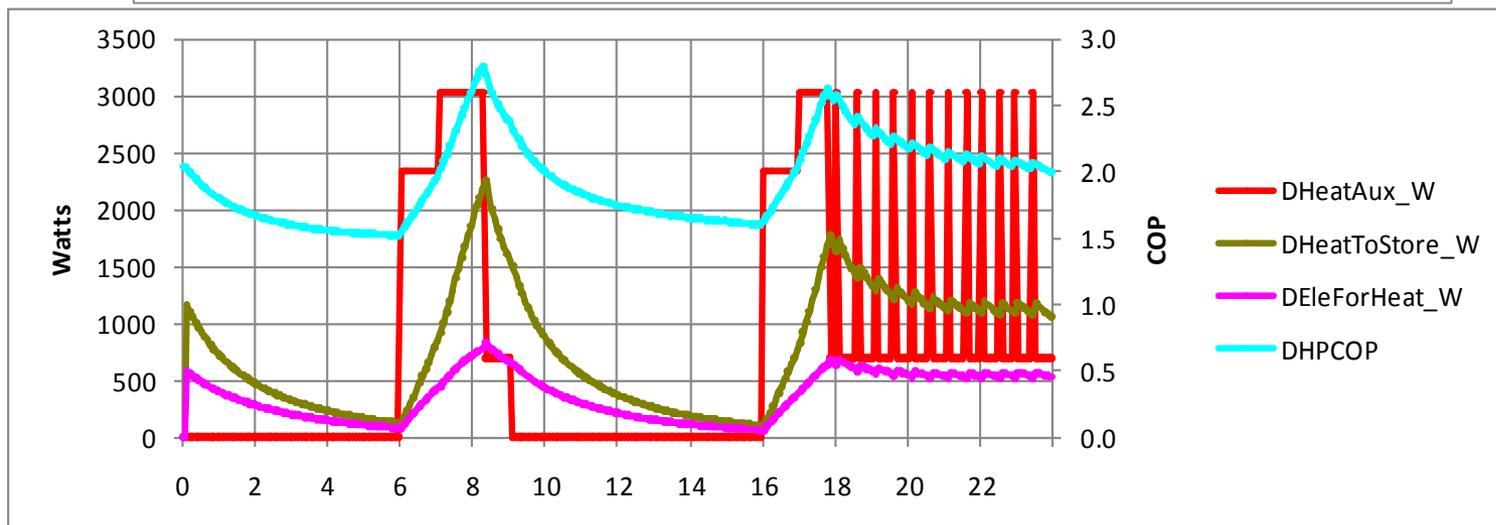
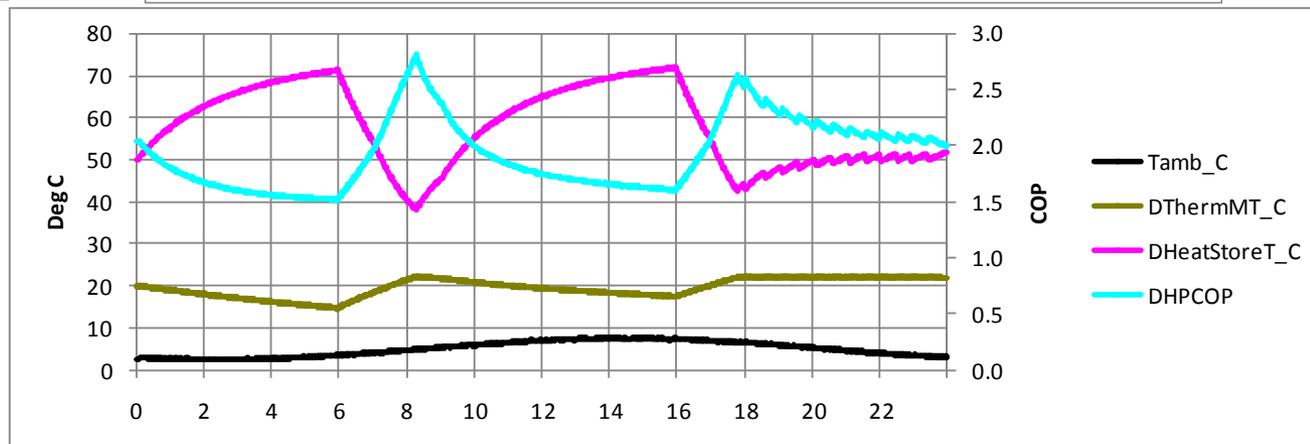
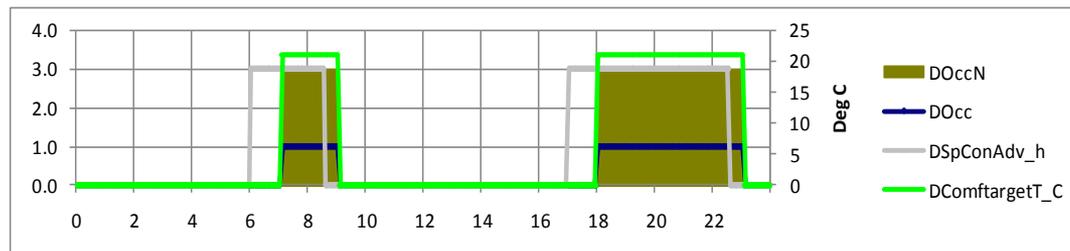


Walls



Heat pump and storage dynamics

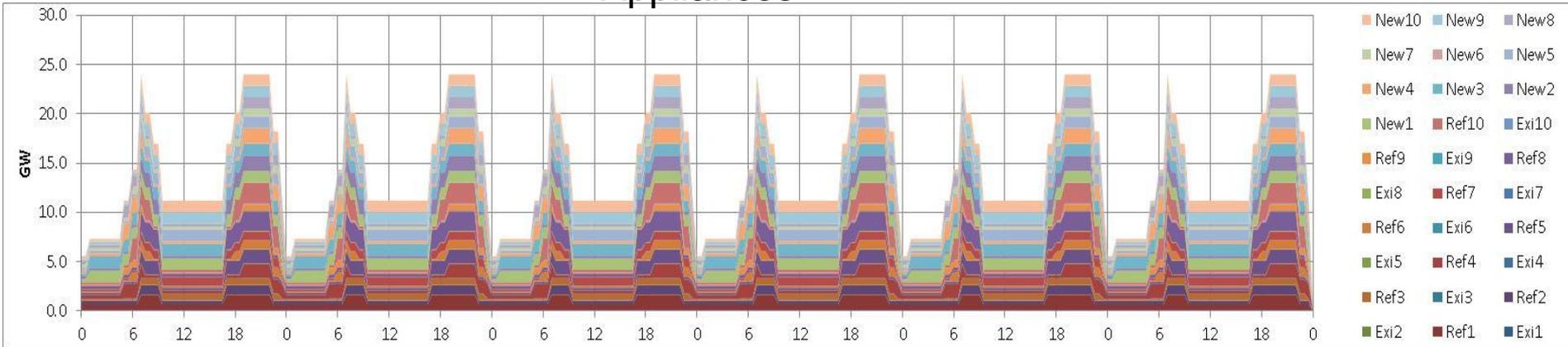
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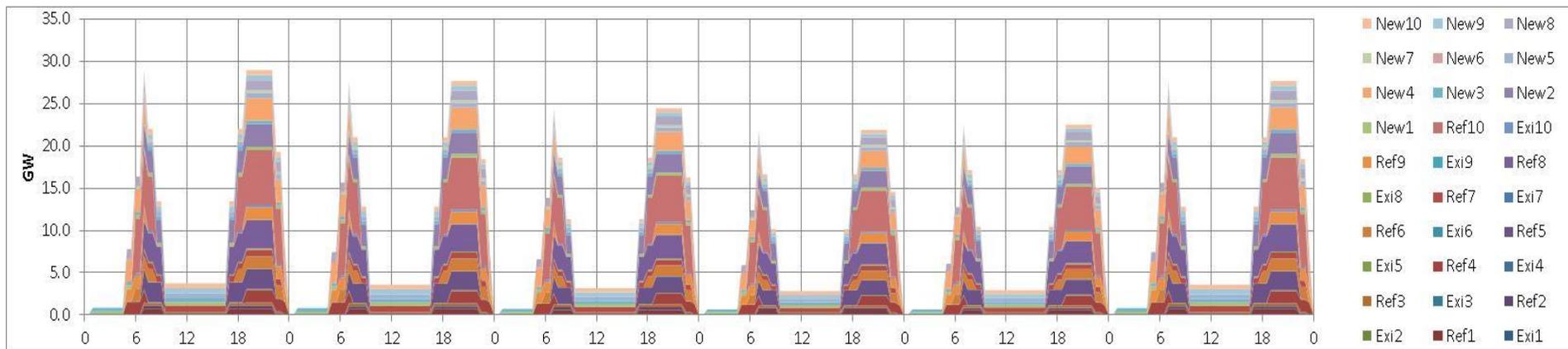
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Appliances

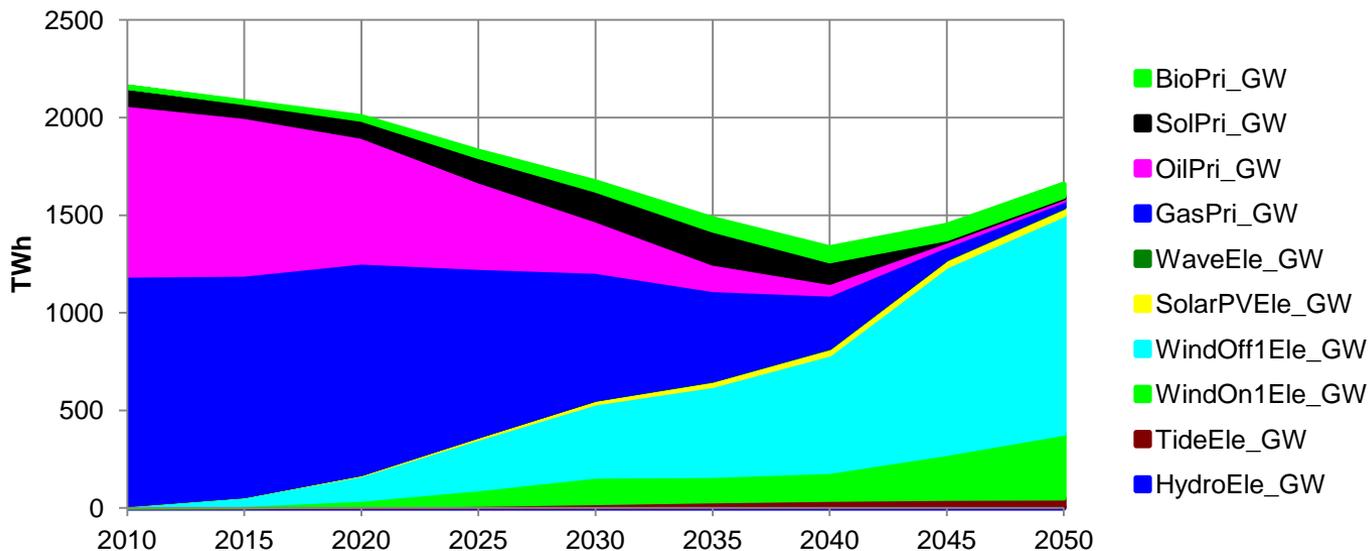


Water heat demand

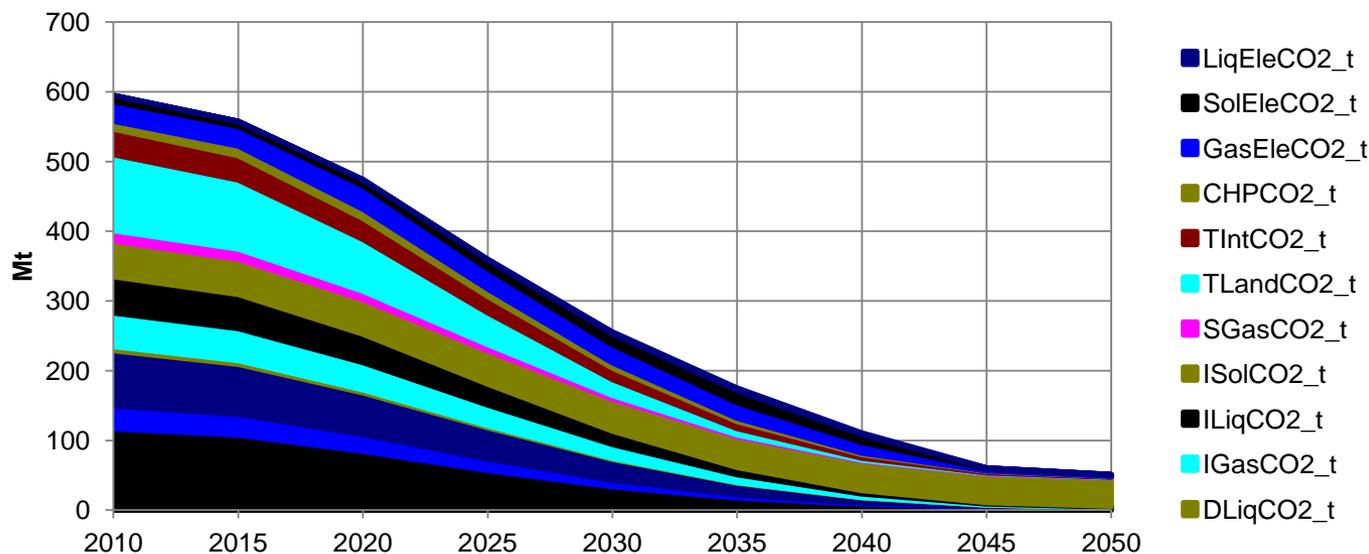


National system scenario

Primary



CO2



District heat – economics and developing the market

Central problem:

- High capital cost and long development times means DH suppliers need long contracts and high take-up of consumers.
 - This **restricts consumer choice in end use energy supply** type (e.g. gas or DH), and frequency with which fuel switches can be made (say, increasing from 1 month to 15 years); **but it increases consumer flexibility and security in primary fuel mix**

Economics of DH must be comparative;

- What are capital costs compared to alternatives? E.g. increasing the capacity of dispatchable generation and low voltage electricity distribution to accommodate individual heat pumps in dwellings.
- What are the variable fuel and operating costs of alternatives? E.g. individual heat pumps or gas boilers?
- What are the economic benefits of DH in terms of:
 - multi-fuelling (CHP+HPs+...) that may be adjusted instantly or in long term with no consumer impact?
 - lower carbon emissions?
 - Role in the energy system with dynamic fuel mix changing and storage, so as to integrate, for example, a large wind component?

To overcome problem

- What financial incentives?
- What changes to regulation of energy market, buildings, planning, etc. are required?

District heat development – possible drivers

- Building regulations: zero carbon, energy supply
- Planning regulations: e.g. Merton type rule
- Energy supply drivers.
 - E.g. offshore wind->HP+DH, **renewable target** to absorb wind (inc. CHP, HPs?)
 - RHI etc
- Energy system coherence. Role of DH as system balancer.
- Carbon target.
- Power stations; old and new. CHP mandate. IPPC. LCPD.

District heat : foreign success

60% Danish houses have DH

Stockholm has DH with inputs from CHP, waste heat, large heat pumps using sea heat

Gothenburg DH:

- offers consumers the choice between DH and ground source HPs
- extends its DH system to very low density housing on rocky terrain
- has inputs from waste incineration, fossil plant etc.

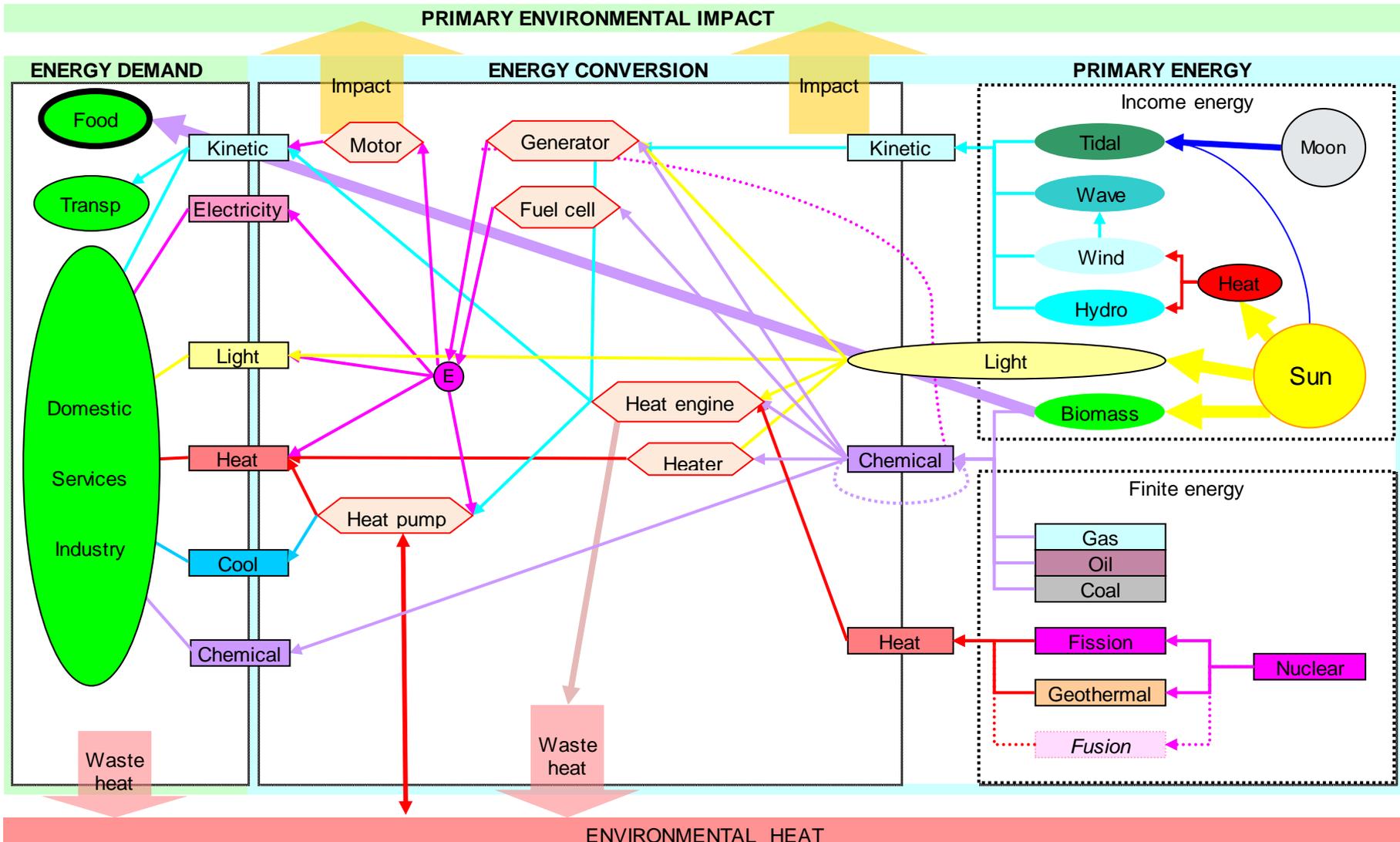
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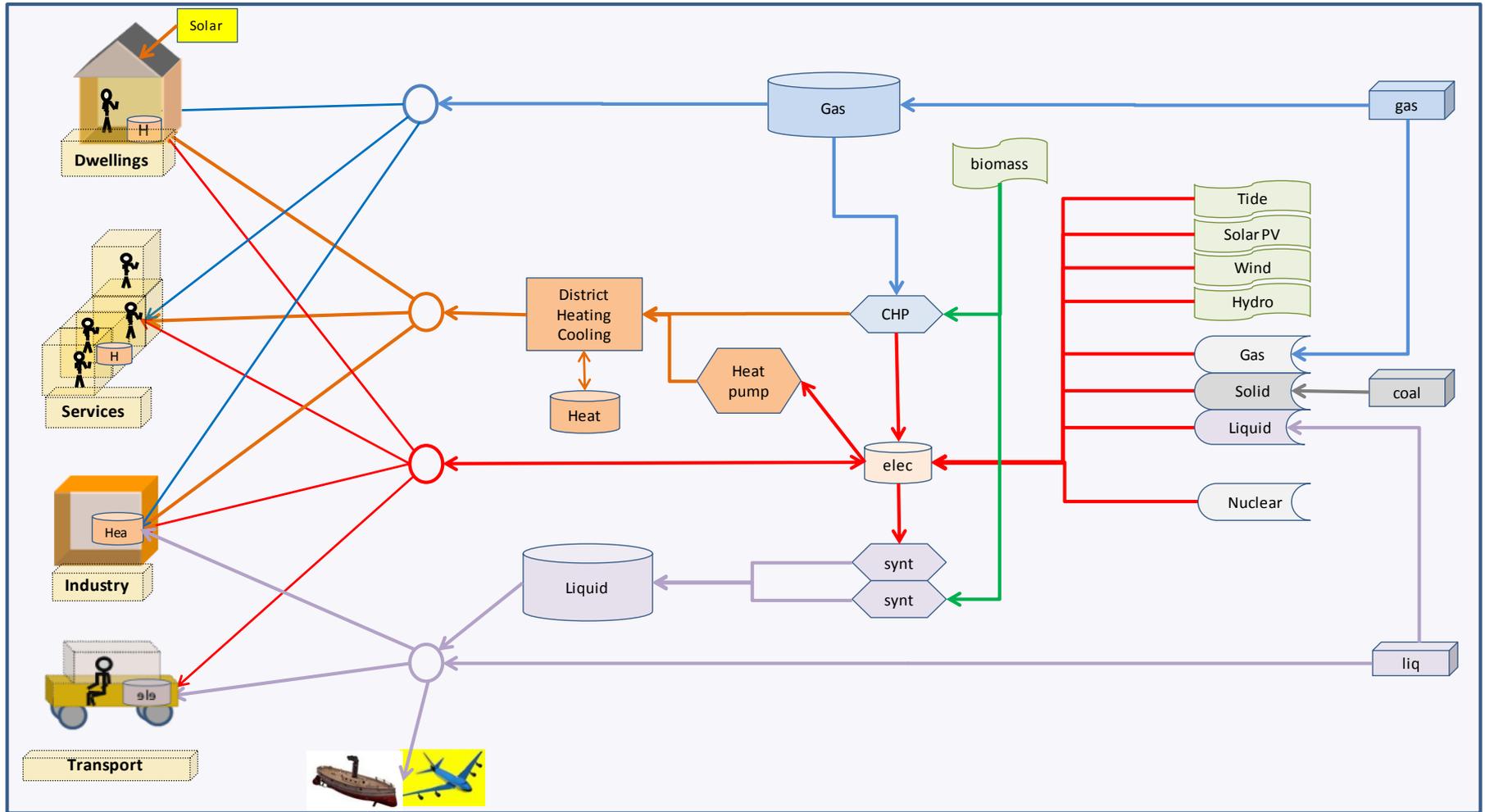
Organise seminars to bring successful practice to the UK. Advice on technical, economic, regulatory, local political, social aspects of DH. Attendees: DECC, LAs, industry, consultants etc.

Aim for lead demonstration UK DH systems small/medium scale with Scandinavian aid. New schemes and/or extensions of existing (from nuclei) e.g. Southampton, Woking, Pimlico. Build on existing initiatives. Consider dominant building/industrial loads, proximity to heat sources such as existing power stations.

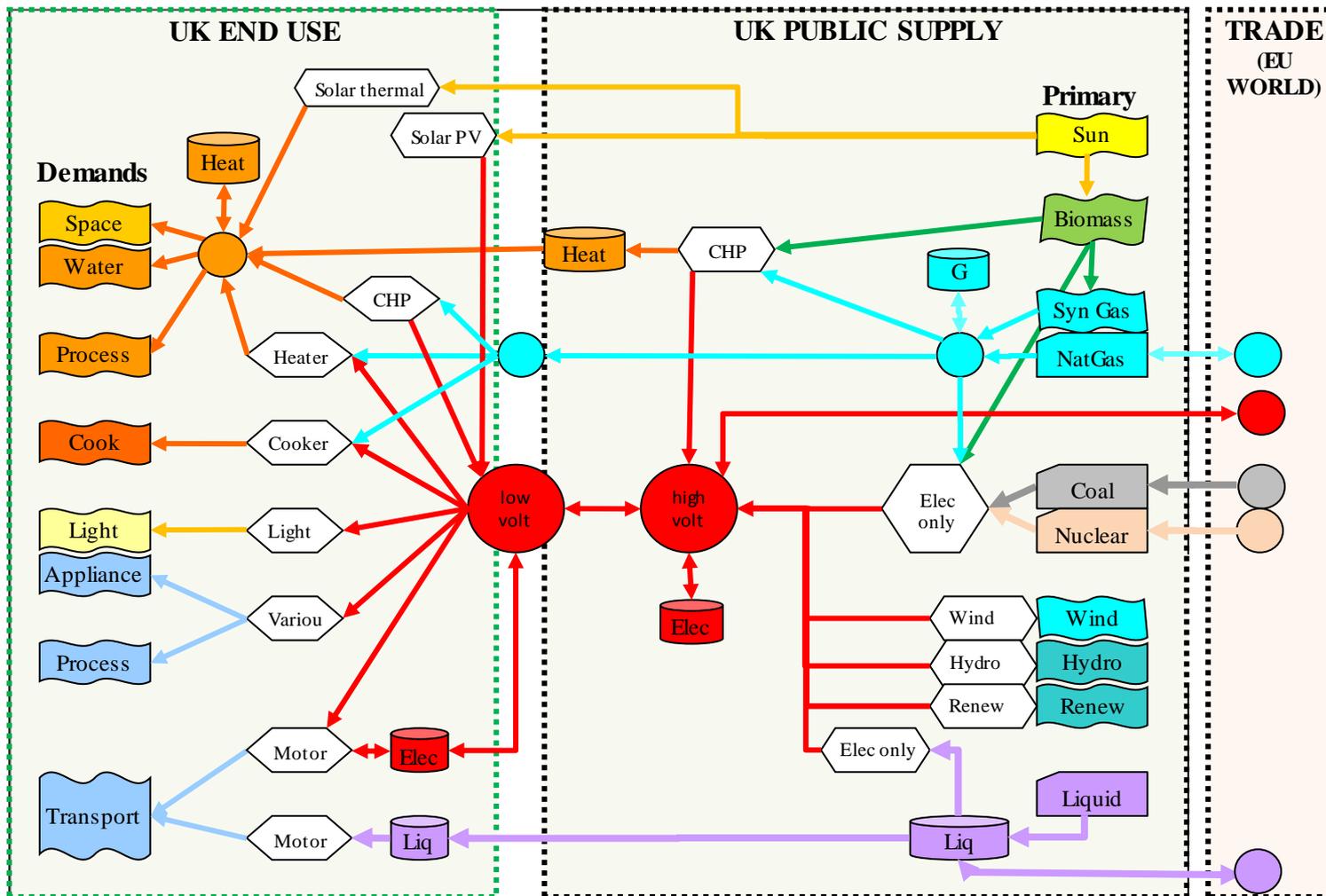
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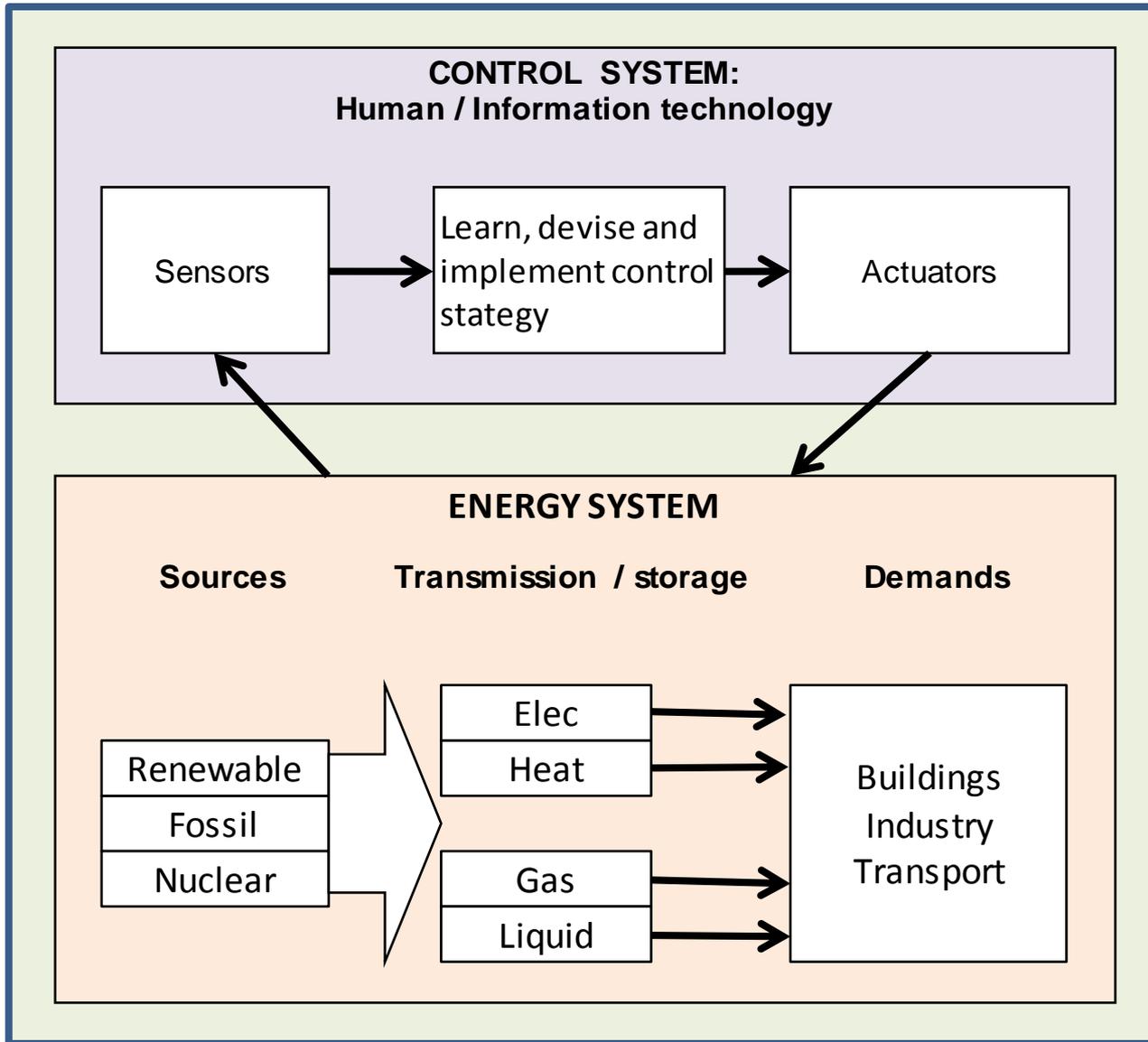


Smart grid



Social patterns & weather

Smart grid



				Current	Projected	
Demand	Service demand	weather dependent	space heating		input	
			lighting		input	
		independent	water heating		input	
			appliances		input	
Stores	storage levels	heat stores	end use	input	output	
		electricity stores	system		output	
Supply	Thermal stations	elec only		input	output	
		CHP		input	output	
	Renewables	uncontrolled	wind			input
			wave			input
			solar			input
		with storage	biomass	input	output	
			hydro	input	output	
			tidal	input	output	
	geothermal	input	output			
	Trade				output	

System after load management

EleServe Scenario: Efficiency + CHP + renewables

2030 Winter day : Summer day

