



# ESC Project: INMES

## “Integrated model of the energy system”

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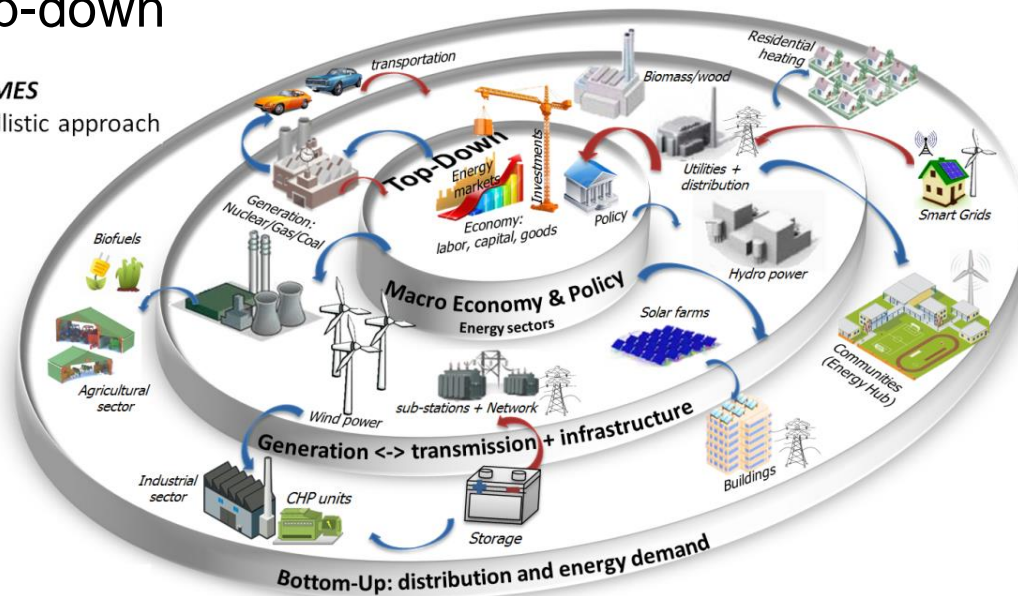
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# What is INMES?

INMES is an analytical tool that encompasses a holistic approach on modelling energy systems under a single framework to analyse energy planning strategies from the regional to the national level. INMES considers a variety of energy and economic models that in combination can account for exogenous factors that in otherwise in the stand-alone models are overlooked. INMES combines top-down and bottom-up approaches to respectively account for interactions in energy demand-supply and macro energy-economic factors.

INMES  
Hollistic approach



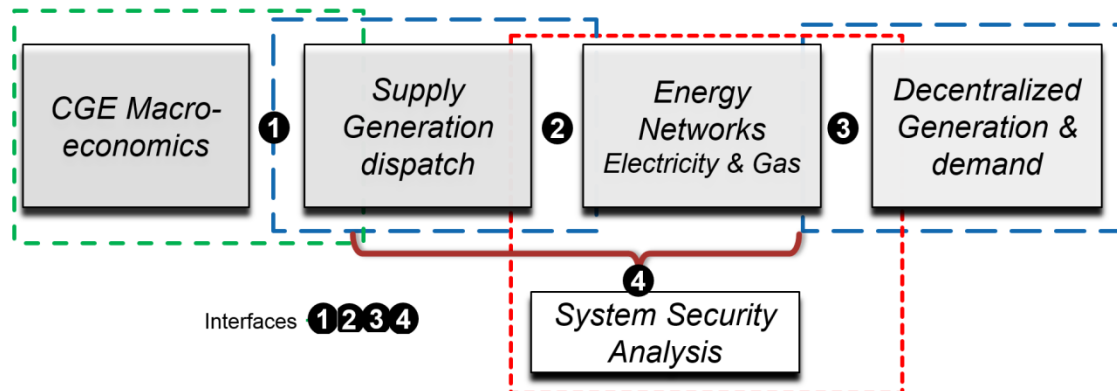
# Research questions & objectives

INMES goal is to formulate a holistic modelling framework of the energy system, to then detail its platform implementation (software). The objective is to answer:

- *How to model the relationship among policy making, economic drivers and energy technologies under a unifying framework?*
- *What are the challenges to create a model that encompasses all features of the energy system?*
- *What is the synergistic added-value of a holistic approach compared to the independent use of existing models?*

# Modeling INMES: a conceptual framework

- Find a unifying compromise among different model methodologies that encompass all the components of the energy system.
- Define main core models and key energy sectors
- Discuss the modeling challenges and the value of interfaces
- Identify distinctive capabilities (i.e. Modular approach)



## Energy systems modeling, an example

*The value of energy storage with intermittent renewables: an end user perspective in smart grids*

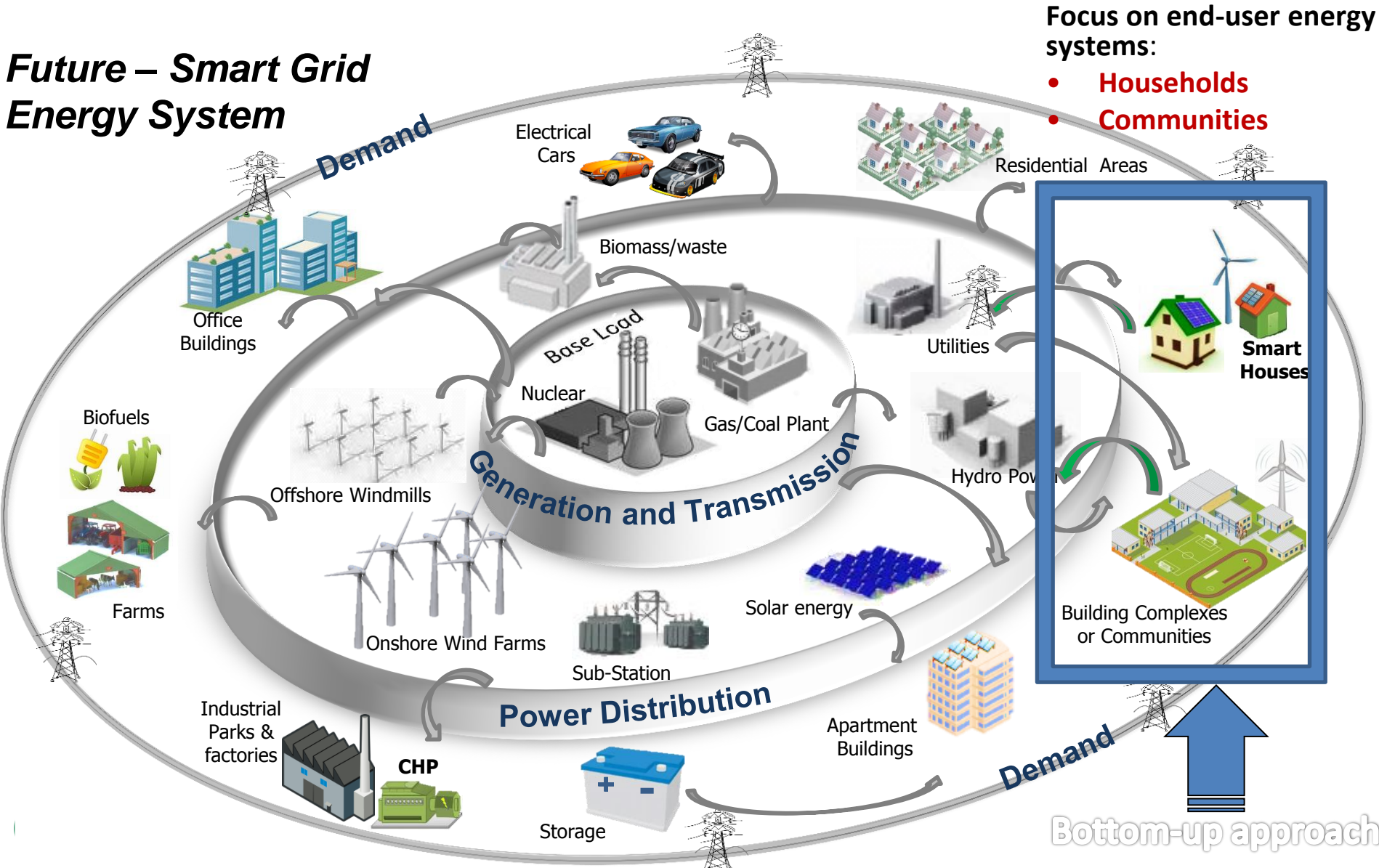


# Key questions

- How will increased renewables penetration affect the electricity balancing market and the opportunity for energy storage in this market?
- What are the economic implications of end-user storage and demand side measures for energy markets and the grid?
- **What is the value of energy storage for the end-user and the grid? Value of Flexibility!**



# Future – Smart Grid Energy System



Focus on end-user energy systems:

- **Households**
- **Communities**

**Smart Houses**

**Building Complexes or Communities**

**Bottom-up approach**

# Research questions and approach

- What is the value of energy storage for the **end-user** in a smart grid?
  - The value from hedging local renewable supply and demand variations (value of flexibility)
  - The impact of demand response (load-shifting)
  - The effect of the portfolio of hybrid (mix) distributed generation (DG) to the value of energy storage
- How important is considering wind uncertainty to the valuation of end-user electricity storage?

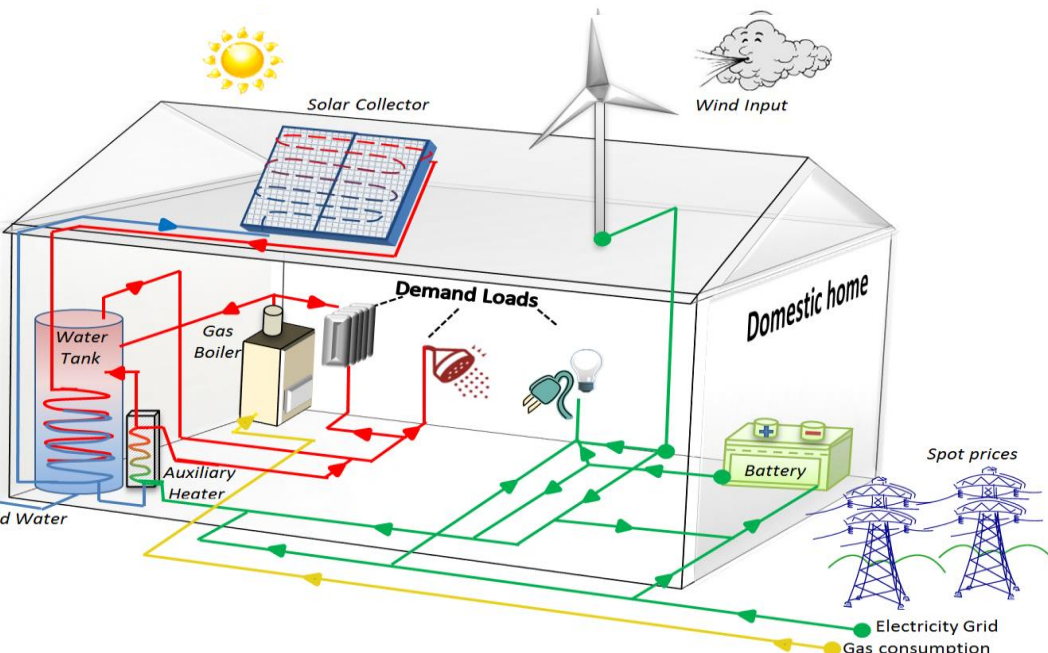


# Assumptions and limitations

- Two-way communication exists: smart meter.
- Electricity spot prices (UK RPD data) as proxies for energy cost.
  - Assumed to be known (deterministic in nature).
- The models provide an assessment on the value of energy storage; not an operational model.
- Transmission and operational costs not included.
- Commercial maturity and detailed engineering aspects of storage units not considered.
- The end-user energy system does not deliver (only buys from the grid).

# A smart house model and energy storage

- ✓ We assume Smart metering is available
- ✓ Renewable generation and demand load variations are hedged and connected through energy storage over the optimization periods.



## Model Objective:

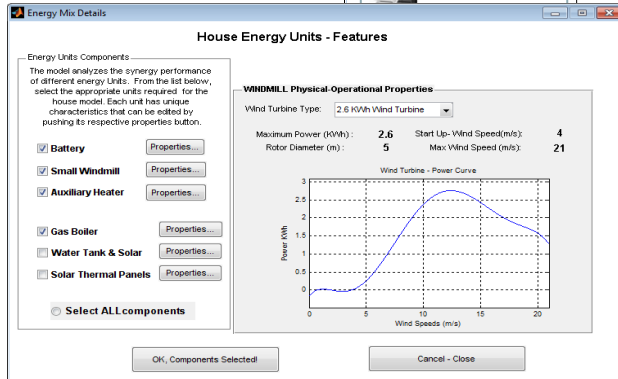
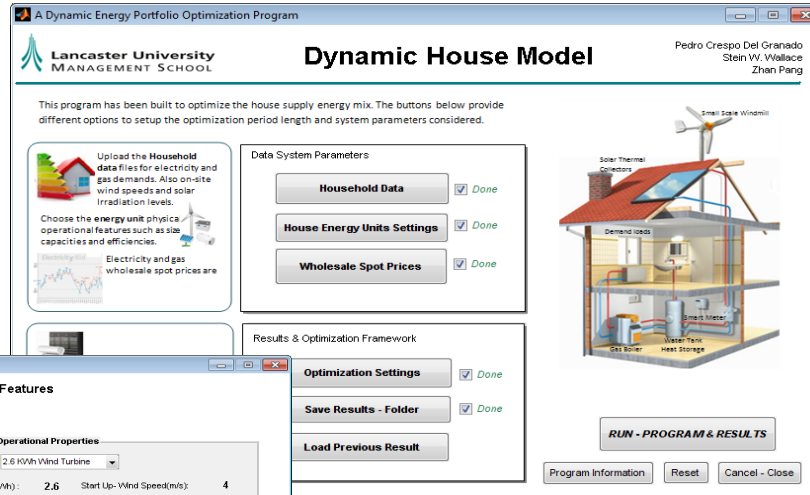
- ✓ Minimize cost of grid consumption

## Model Constraints:

- ✓ Units' Capacity & Efficiency
- ✓ Demand
- ✓ Supply Availability from Renewables
- ✓ Storage Intertemporality

# Model implementation: The tool + Case study

**The Tool:**  
Different energy units configuration applied to various UK houses



**Units considered in a House:**

- 15kW Gas Boiler
- 1.35kW Small Win
- 2.8kW Battery
- 300l Water Tank
- 8 m<sup>2</sup> Solar Collector



**Case Study:**

- Hourly energy consumption data gathered from homes in Milton Keynes Park (North West London)
- 2010-2011 Wholesale spot prices

- 4 bedroom - Detached Houses of 130m<sup>2</sup>
- Annual electricity average demand: 3.4MWh
- Annual gas heating average demand: 14.4MWh



- 3 bedroom - Semi Detached Houses of 74m<sup>2</sup>
- Annual electricity average demand: 2.7MWh
- Annual gas heating average demand: 9.7MWh

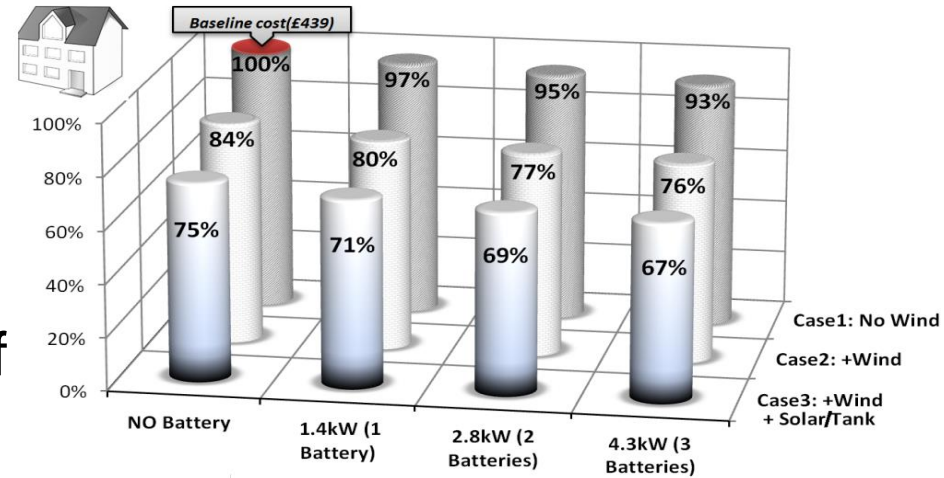


		With Battery Storage		
Case 1: Without Wind Turbine	NO Battery	1 Battery (1.4kW)	2 Batteries(2.8kW)	3 Batteries(4.3kW)
% of demand met by the battery	-	10.5%	19.1%	26.6%
% of demand met by the Grid	100.0%	89.5%	80.9%	73.4%
Total Grid Electricity Consumption (MWh)	3.64	3.75	3.84	3.92
Battery losses (MWh)	-	0.11	0.20	0.28
Total Heat Demand met by Boiler (MWh)	12.77	12.77	12.77	12.77
<b>Cost Savings and % electricity savings</b>	-	6%(-£13)	11%(-£22)	14%(-£29)
Case 2: With Wind Turbine	NO Battery	1 Battery (1.4kW)	2 Batteries(2.8kW)	3 Batteries(4.3kW)
% of demand met by the battery	0.0%	11.5%	19.7%	26.1%
% demand met by Wind	31.1%	30.7%	30.5%	30.2%
% demand met by the Grid	68.9%	57.8%	49.8%	43.8%
Total Grid Electricity Consumption (MWh)	2.51	2.39	2.35	2.35
Battery losses (MWh)	-	0.12	0.22	0.29
Total grid to the battery (MWh)	-	0.29	0.53	0.75
Total wind to the battery (MWh)	-	0.27	0.43	0.54
Total Heat Demand met by Boiler	98.3%	98.5%	98.4%	98.3%
Total demand met by ah	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%	1.9%
% of wind generation used	69.1%	82.2%	90.4%	96.2%
<b>% electricity cost savings with wind</b>	33%(-£70)	42%(-£89)	48%(-£101)	51%(-£107)
Case 3: With Wind Turbine + Solar/Tank	NO Battery	1.4kW (1 Battery)	2.8kW (2 Batteries)	4.3kW (3 Batteries)
Total Grid Electricity Consumption (MWh)	2.51	2.39	2.35	2.35
% of heat demand met by ah	3.7%	2.7%	2.1%	1.8%
% of heat demand met by the Tank	62.7%	63.6%	64.3%	64.5%
% of heat demand met by Boiler	33.6%	33.6%	33.7%	33.6%
Total Boiler input to tank (MWh)	5.97	6.10	6.16	6.21
Total Solar input to tank (MWh)	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.38
% of wind generation used (MWh)	84.6%	89.3%	91.7%	92.8%
<b>% Electricity cost savings with wind</b>	32%	41%	47%	50%
<b>% Gas cost savings with Solar-Tank</b>	18%(-£34)	17%(-£32)	16%(-£30)	16%(-£30)

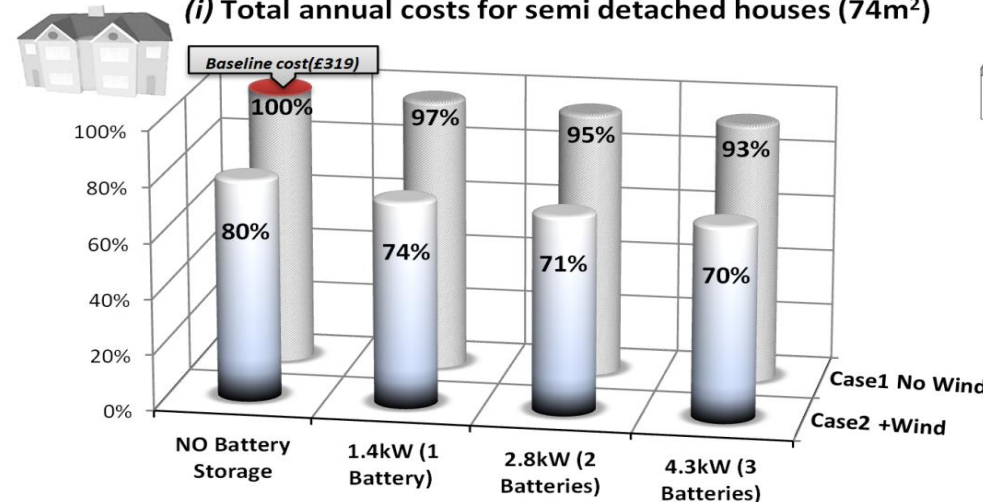
## Key results:

- Implementation of energy storage: **6% to 14%** savings of electricity costs
- Implementation of Small wind turbine:
  - **48%** savings of electricity costs
  - Value of storage increases **9% to 18%**

(ii) Total annual costs for detached houses (130m<sup>2</sup>)



(i) Total annual costs for semi detached houses (74m<sup>2</sup>)





**The value of community energy storage  
with hybrid distributed generation under demand response**

# Community energy storage in hybrid DG

- Point of view: A large end-user (industrial site, office building complex, university campus).
  - Security of supply and reduce CO2 emissions
- Effect of demand response programs (smart grid).
- More complex energy mix (hybrid DG system): Local heating requirements are more important
  - Specially flexibility in CHP operations and wind surplus
  - Heating and electricity systems interactions
- Analyze the interactions of heat and electricity storage units in the regulation of the energy system supply-demand balance.

# A case study implementation

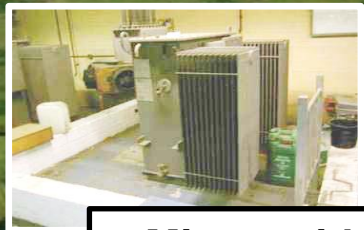
- University campus distributed generation mix:



**Combined heat & power engine (CHP)**



**3 High efficient thermal gas boilers (4.9MWh)**



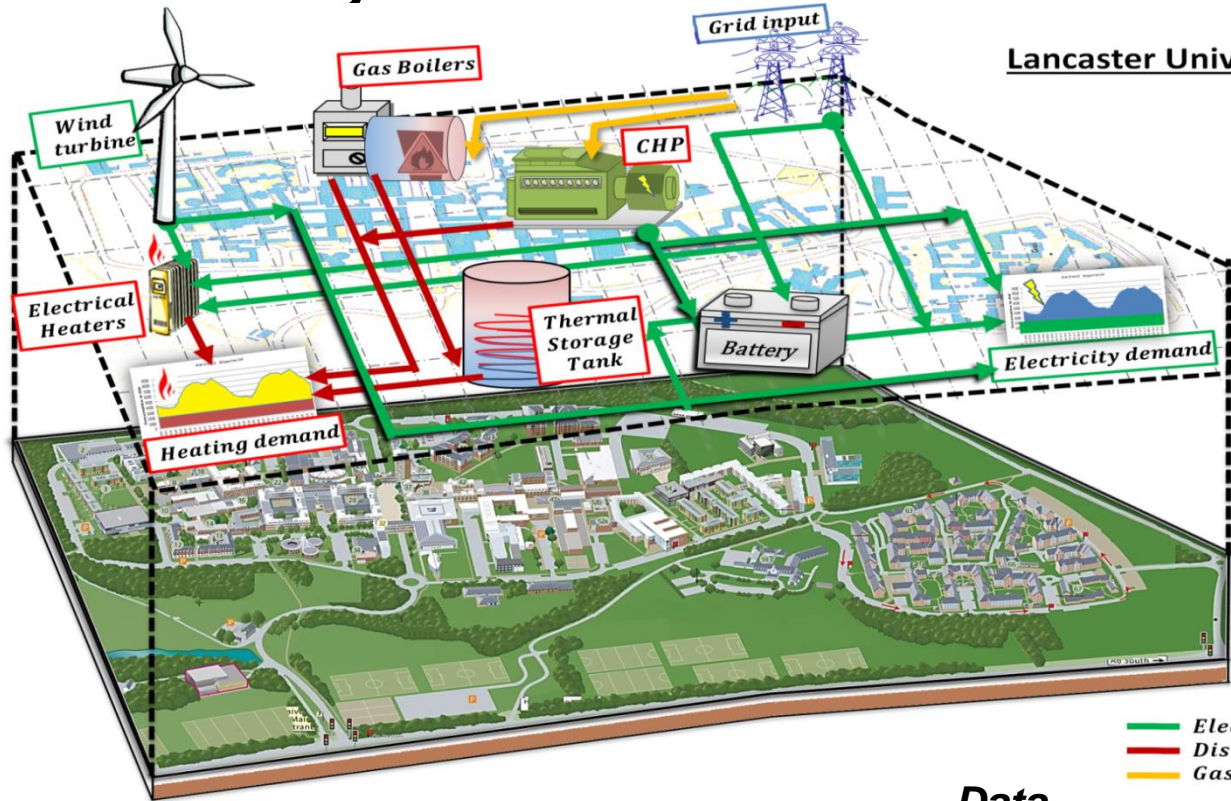
**Micro-grid transformers**



**2.3MWh Wind turbine**



# Case study features



## Lancaster University Bailrigg Campus

Population: 15,000  
 Area: 360 acre (1.46 km<sup>2</sup>)

Distributed generation system:  
 - Wind turbine (2.3MW)  
 - 3 gas boilers (4.9MW each)  
 - Immersion electrical heaters  
 - CHP: 2MW electricity output  
 - CHP: 2.2MW heating output

Storage units considered:  
 - Electrical battery  
 - Thermal Water tank

Annual electricity consumption 33.3 GW  
 Maximal electricity peak demand registered 6.2MW

— Green — Electrical microgrid  
 — Red — District heating network  
 — Yellow — Gas grid input

### Storage Considered

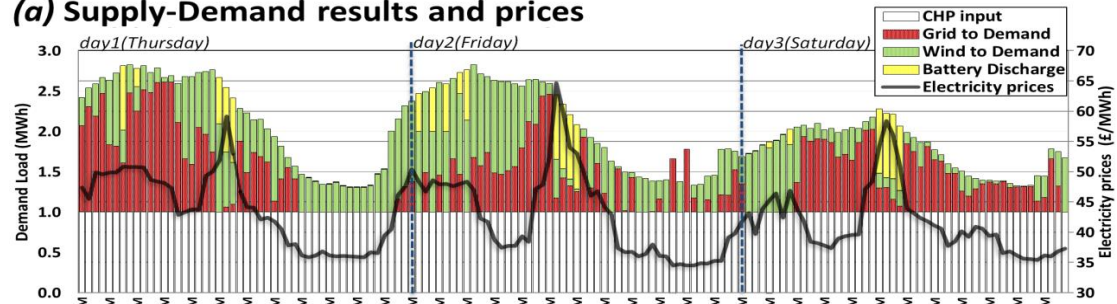
- Vanadium redox battery (VRB), Capacity: 2, 4, 8MW, roundtrip efficiency: 0.75

### Data

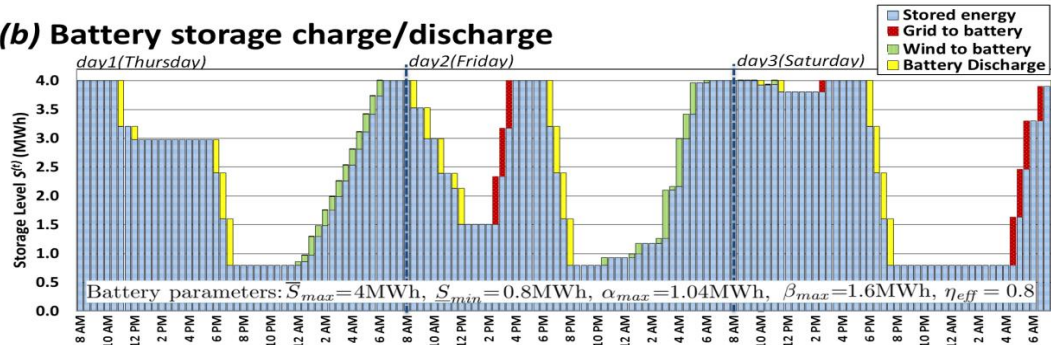
- Used the campus half hourly data electricity consumption in 2010
- National Grid spot market prices in 2010
- Historical wind data 2006-2010

# Storage role example

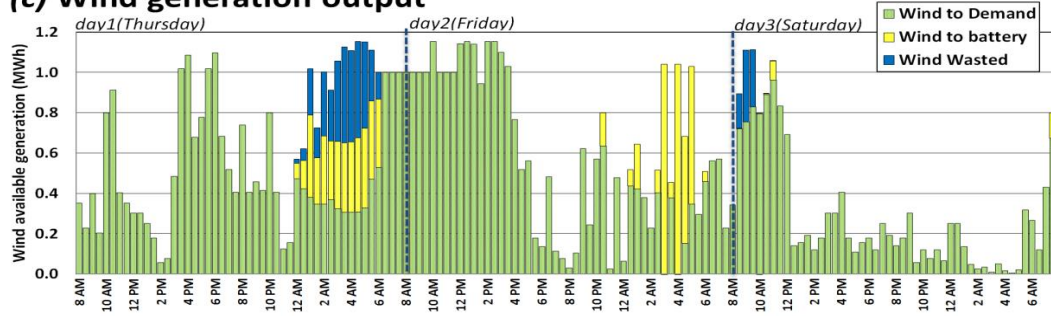
(a) Supply-Demand results and prices



(b) Battery storage charge/discharge



(c) Wind generation output



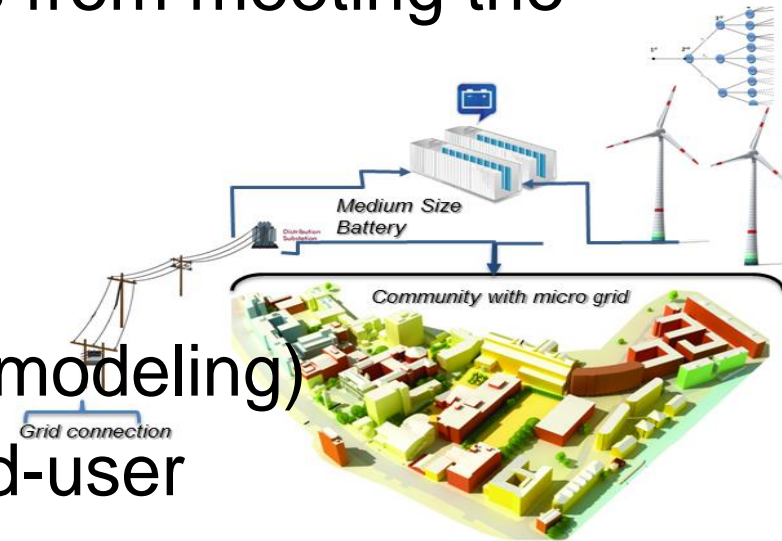
# key insights from the case study

- High benefits for the heating system
  - Storage is more valuable for the heating system
  - Improve efficiency on boilers and CHP operations
- Demand response (DR) crucial to the value of electricity storage:
  - Cost savings, without DR: 2%, with DR: 7 to 15%
  - Cost savings under STOR mechanisms: 5%
  - Gas cost savings: Current DG: 2%, larger DG: 15%
- In a hybrid DG context, both storage devices are key complements to wind and the CHP.

**Modeling wind uncertainty?**

# Wind uncertainty and energy storage

- Can the value of electricity storage be well estimated with a deterministic model?
  - A strategic model on the decision to install a battery
- Wind is modeled stochastically as some of the value of a storage unit comes from meeting the random wind
- Decision on the battery charge/discharge given wind realizations (event tree modeling)
- Applied to a generic large end-user





# Optimization model

## Input

### Time varying data:

Wind scenarios  
Demand

Wholesale Spot Prices

### Storage Unit Parameters:

Charge rate  
Discharge rate  
Efficiencies  
capacity

## A day divided in 48 periods:

### Model Objective:

✓ Minimize cost of grid consumption

### Model Constraints:

✓ Storage Capacity & Efficiency  
✓ Demand – supply balance  
✓ Wind generation uncertainty  
✓ Storage balance (Intertemporality)

## Output

Battery Charging/Discharging decisions

Cost reductions from wind smoothing and energy arbitrage

# Multi-stage stochastic programming approach

$$\text{Minimize}_{C_{grid}, S, B_{in}, B_{out}} \left\{ \overbrace{\sum_{\omega \in \Omega_k} \sum_{t \in T_k} \pi_{\omega}^{(t)} [p_{el}^{(t)} \cdot C_{grid}^{(t, \omega)}]}^{\text{Minimize grid consumption}} \right\}$$

such that:  
 $t \in T_k, \omega \in \Omega_k$

$$\xi_{wind}^{(t, \omega)} + C_{grid}^{(t, \omega)} + B_{out}^{(t, \omega)} + L_{base} \geq d_{load}^{(t)} + B_{in}^{(t, \omega)}$$

$$S^{(t-1, \omega)} + \eta_{eff} \cdot B_{in}^{(t, \omega)} - B_{out}^{(t, \omega)} = S^{(t, \omega)}$$

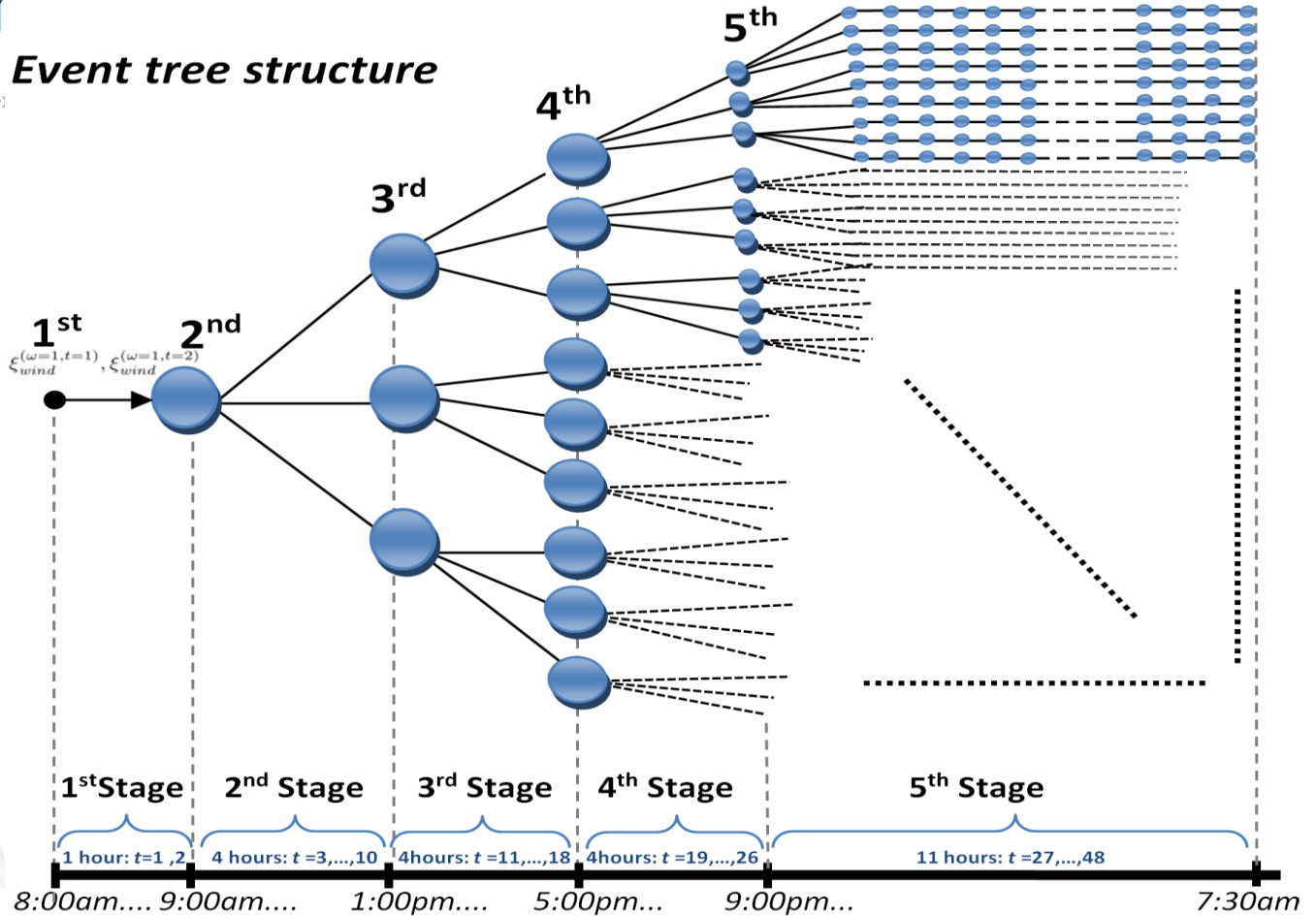
$$\underline{S}_{min} \leq S^{(t, \omega)} \leq \overline{S}_{max}$$

$$B_{in}^{(t, \omega)} \leq \alpha_{max}$$

$$B_{out}^{(t, \omega)} \leq \beta_{max}$$

$$C_{grid}^{(t, \omega)}, S^{(t, \omega)}, B_{in}^{(t, \omega)}, B_{out}^{(t, \omega)} \geq 0$$

## Event tree structure



# Scenario generation of wind uncertainty

- ARMA model generates scenarios to represent the stochastic process(wind)

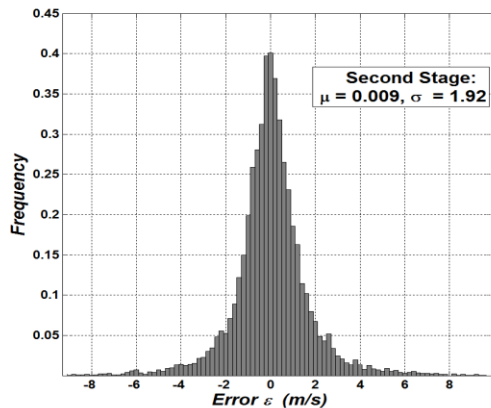
An *autoregressive moving average* (ARMA) process applied to wind speeds ( $v_{speed}^{(t)}$ ) is mathematically expressed as:

$$v_{speed}^{(t)} = \phi_1 \cdot v_{speed}^{(t-1)} + \dots + \phi_p \cdot v_{speed}^{(t-p)} + \varepsilon^{(t)} + \theta_1 \cdot \varepsilon^{(t-1)} + \dots + \theta_q \cdot \varepsilon^{(t-q)}$$

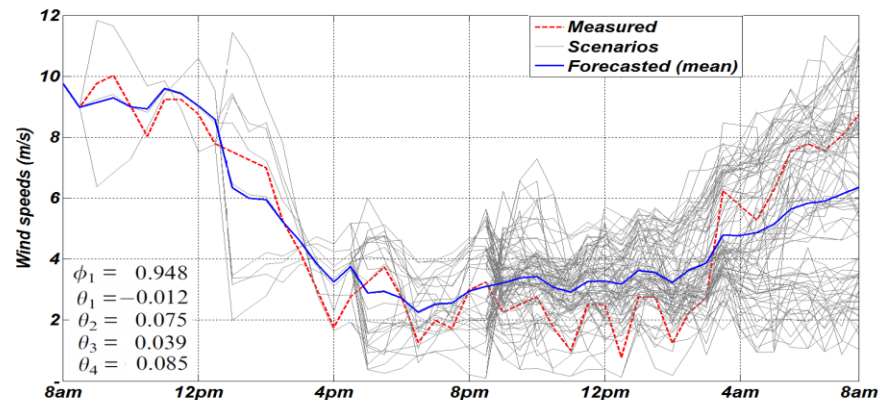
This time series relies on the  $p$  auto-regressive (AR) parameters  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_p$ , the  $q$  moving averages (MA)  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_q$  and the error terms  $\varepsilon^{(t)}$ .

- Probability discretization into subsets : low, medium, high wind realizations

(a) Wind speeds error forecast distribution

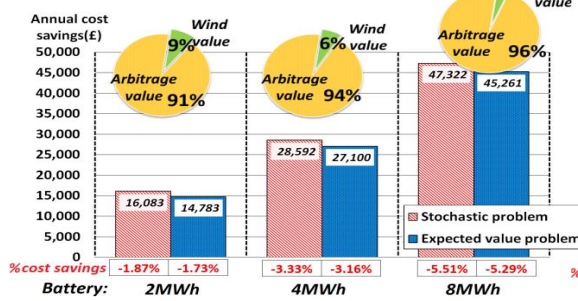


(b) Scenario generation from an ARMA(1,4) model

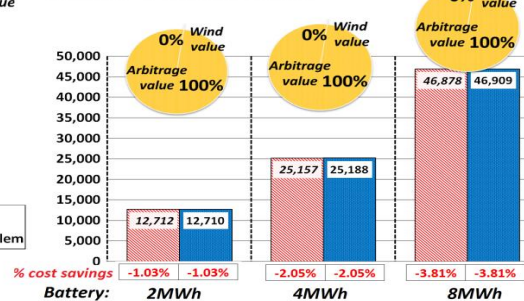


# Results: Value of energy storage and uncertainty

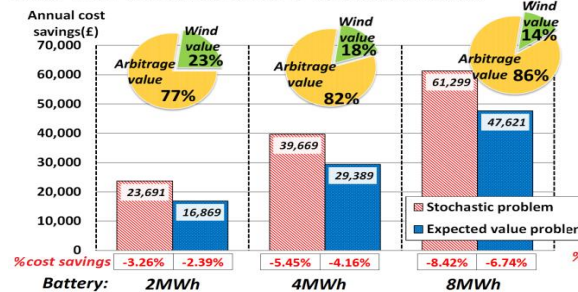
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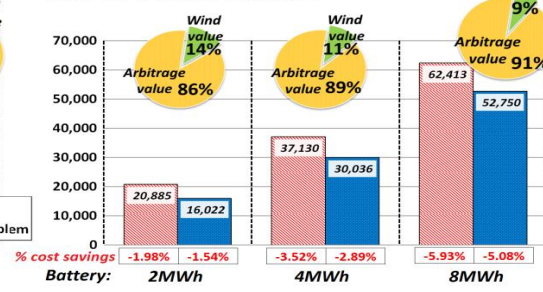
Case II: 1 Wind turbine



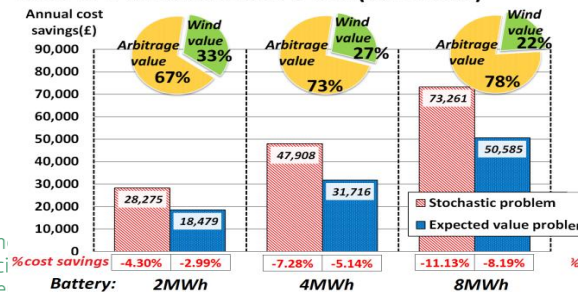
Case III: 2 Wind turbines + CHP(base load)



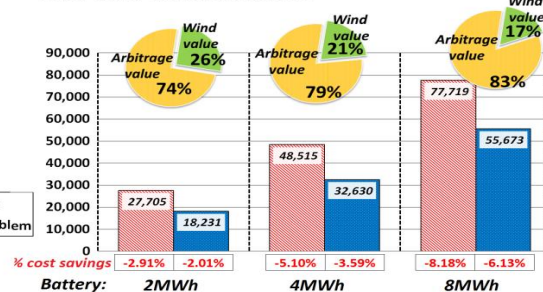
Case IV: 2 Wind turbines



Case V: 3 Wind turbines + CHP(base load)



Case VI: 3 Wind turbines



- Uncertainty becomes relevant in large DG capacity cases
- Deterministic case underestimates the value of the battery up to 50% compared to the stochastic case.

# Value of modeling uncertainty: summary

- Model analysis,
  - Supply surpasses demand: Uncertainty becomes relevant in large DG capacity cases.
  - Otherwise, uncertainty is less important (Demand > supply).
- Deterministic case underestimates the value of the battery
  - By around 30% (2-wind case) compared to the stochastic case.
  - The expected case (deterministic) underestimates the value of energy storage due to its limitations of not identifying strategic options.

## **Final Remarks**

# Final remarks and perspectives

- Modeling the ‘whole’ scope of the energy system is key to address long-term challenges. For example, understanding the new (or evolving) flexibility of the system is key to support policy incentives and regulation.
- For our example, storage produces interesting cost savings for end-users (around 10-15%, a moderate estimate)
  - Note that peak shaving leads to more efficient units being used for production.
- INMES framework brings research opportunities on valuating this new emerging mix generation group of technologies (whose effectiveness remains somewhat unproven economically and physically.)



**Thank you for listening**



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