Development and application of *data-driven* methodologies for the *district heating sector*

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Current research status

Publications (Open access)

- Treatment and analysis of smart energy meter data from a cluster of buildings connected to district heating: A Danish case
 - Johra et al. (https://doi.org/10.1051/e3sconf/202017212004)
- Using data from smart energy meters to gain knowledge about households connected to the district heating network: A Danish case
 - Leiria et al. (https://doi.org/10.1016/j.segy.2021.100035)
- A methodology to estimate space heating and domestic hot water energy demand profile in residential buildings from low-resolution heat meter data
 - Leiria et al. (Submitted Under review)
- Validation of a new method to estimate energy use for space heating and hot water production from low-resolution heat meter data
 - Leiria et al. (Submitted Under review)

- Problem formulation:
 - The smart energy meters only measure the total energy usage (space heating and DHW)
 - By having only minimum information, is it possible to separate the energy demanded for the space heating and the DHW in buildings?
- Objectives:
 - Separate both energy components Space heating and DHW
 - Hourly measurements
 - Minimum information (Total energy and weather data)

Methodology

- 2 stages method:
 - SH+DHW points identification
 - SH estimation



Validation

- 28 apartments in **Denmark** (Decimal and rounded data)
- 1 apartment block in Switzerland (Aggregated users data)
- 1 Theater in **Italy**
- 1 Reabilitation institution in **Italy**
- Comparison with DHW compliances

Validation – Decimal measurements

Apartment ID	Area [m²]	E _{DHW} [kWh/h]	E _{DHW,compl} [kWh/h]	E _{DHW,estim} [kWh/h]	between E _{DHW} and E _{DHW,compl}	Error between E _{DHW} and E _{DHW,estim}
666	112	0.314	0.167	0.315	-47%	0%
668	111	0.286	0.165	0.346	-42%	21%
669	110	0.184	0.164	0.224	-11%	22%
670	111	0.588	0.165	0.555	-72%	-6%
671	110	0.247	0.164	0.295	-34%	20%
697	111	0.692	0.165	0.606	-76%	-12%
698	111	0.674	0.165	0.627	-75%	-7%
699	110	0.678	0.164	0.588	-76%	-13%
700	111	0.074	0.165	0.137	123%	85%
701	111	0.167	0.165	0.196	-1%	18%
702	110	0.088	0.164	0.115	87%	32%
724	110	0.229	0.164	0.255	-28%	11%
726	111	0.116	0.165	0.132	43%	14%
727	111	0.103	0.165	0.121	61%	18%
728	110	0.148	0.164	0.203	11%	37%
729	110	0.144	0.164	0.161	14%	12%
730	111	0.388	0.165	0.406	-57%	5%
731	111	0.087	0.165	0.142	90%	63%
732	110	0.406	0.164	0.347	-60%	-15%
734	97	0.091	0.145	0.106	59%	17%
735	111	0.328	0.165	0.347	-50%	6%
736	111	0.336	0.165	0.34	-51%	1%
739	111	0.524	0.165	0.561	-68%	7%
740	111	0.164	0.165	0.159	1%	-3%
741	111	0.237	0.165	0.253	-30%	7%
742	97	0.145	0.145	0.167	-1%	15%
743	111	0.461	0.165	0.403	-64%	-13%
745	111	0.093	0.165	0.157	78%	69%



Validation – Rounded measurements

Dataset	Case building	Error between E _{DHW} and	Error between E _{DHW} and	
		E _{DHW,compl}	E _{DHW,estim}	
Denmark	Apart. 666	-47%	97%	
Denmark	Apart. 668	-42%	103%	
Denmark	Apart. 669	-11%	102%	
Denmark	Apart. 670	-72%	21%	
Denmark	Apart. 671	-34%	108%	
Denmark	Apart. 697	-76%	12%	
Denmark	Apart. 698	-75%	21%	
Denmark	Apart. 699	-76%	10%	
Denmark	Apart. 700	123%	510%	
Denmark	Apart. 701	-1%	93%	
Denmark	Apart. 702	87%	182%	
Denmark	Apart. 724	-28%	89%	
Denmark	Apart. 726	43%	70%	
Denmark	Apart. 727	61%	149%	
Denmark	Apart. 728	11%	152%	
Denmark	Apart. 729	14%	119%	
Denmark	Apart. 730	-57%	43%	
Denmark	Apart. 731	90%	273%	
Denmark	Apart. 732	-60%	24%	
Denmark	Apart. 734	59%	144%	
Denmark	Apart. 735	-50%	44%	
Denmark	Apart. 736	-51%	40%	
Denmark	Apart. 739	-68%	34%	
Denmark	Apart. 740	1%	75%	
Denmark	Apart. 741	-30%	59%	
Denmark	Apart. 742	0%	121%	
Denmark	Apart. 743	-64%	29%	
Denmark	Apart. 745	78%	265%	
Switzerland	Apart. Block	4%	-9%	
Italy	Rehab inst.	-59%	-79%	
Italy	Theater	-35%	154%	



Next stage (and collaboration)

Overview of KPIs and tariffs in DH sector

- A review publication We are still discussing what we want to address, however the subjects on the table are:
 - Key performance indicators (KPIs) A revision of the existing ones
 - Building level
 - Grid (main system) level
 - Key performance indicators (KPIs) Development of new ones
 - DH tariffs A revision of the existing ones
 - DH tariffs Development of new ones
- The development of a "guidebook" publication that can be used to assess the DH system

Next stage (and collaboration)

More information about the buildings

- The necessity of labelled data
 - Detected faults
 - Building characteristics
 - Heating systems
- KPI suggestions used by Aalborg Forsyning

Thank you