#### THERMAL STORAGE AND ELECTRICITY STORAGE IN THE RESIDENTIAL SECTOR

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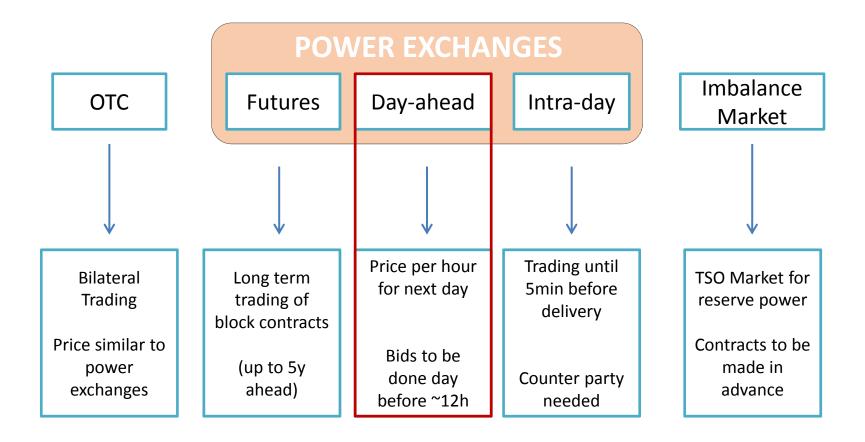


- The stakeholders
  - Producers
  - Distributors
  - Distribution Network Managers (Gestionnaires Réseau Distribution)
  - Aggregators
  - Transmission system operator (ELIA)
  - Consumers and Prosumers
  - Purchasing platforms (BELPEX)
  - Federal and Regional Regulators



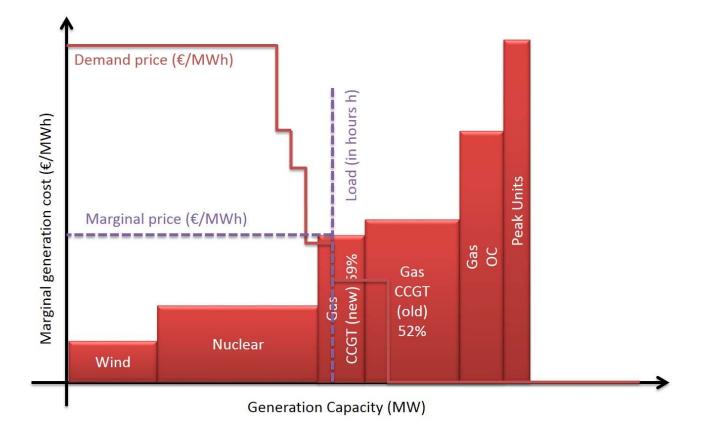
### $\rightarrow$ Need to balance electricity supply and demand





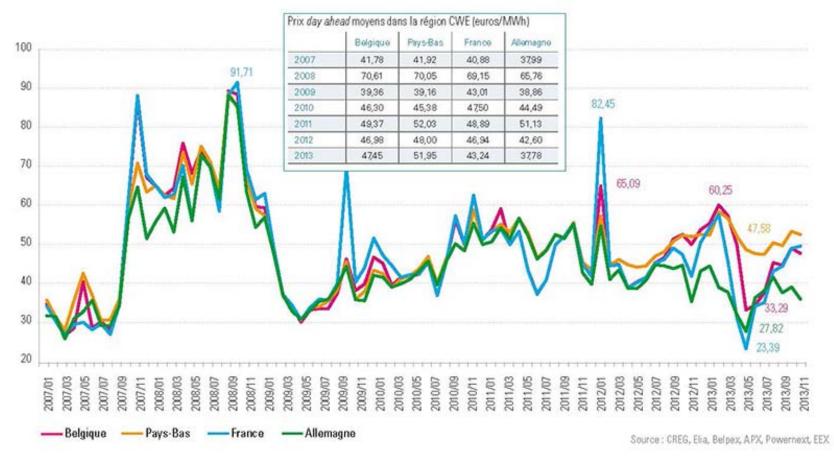


#### **Belpex Day-ahead market**



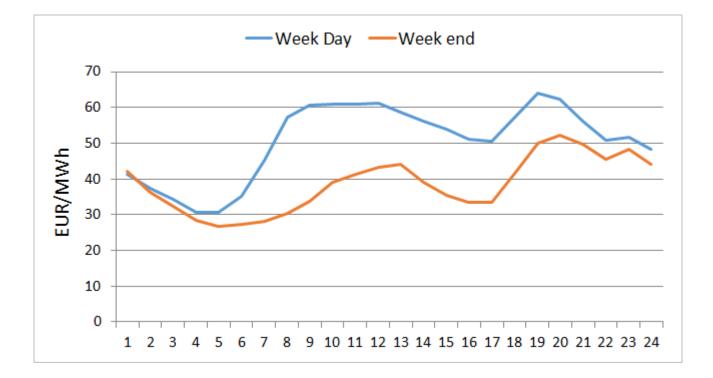
Ref: Fédération Belge des Entreprises Electriques et Gazières asbl https://www.febeg.be/fr/merit-order





Electricity Cost on day-ahead markets: Belpex, APX, EPEX FR, EPEX GE between 2007 and 2013. CREG 2013 Annual report, page 42 - http://www.creg.be

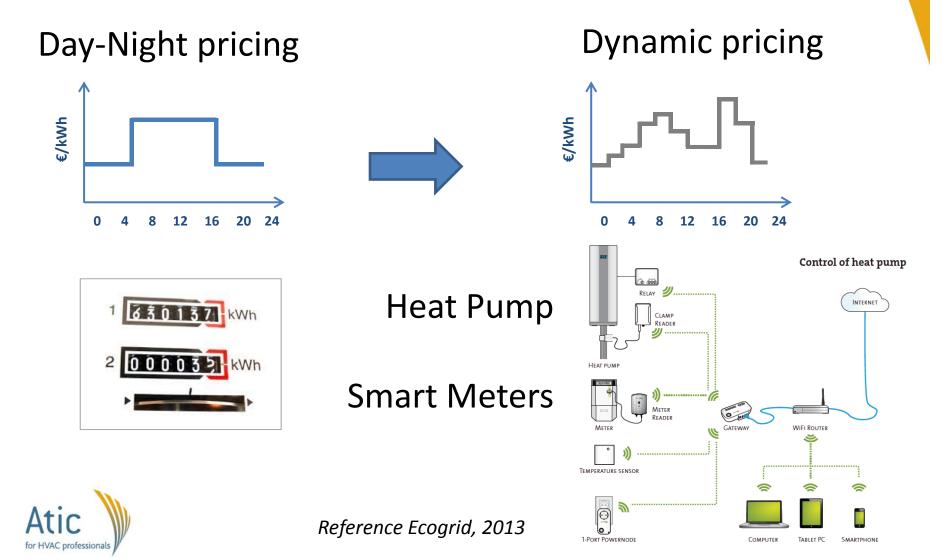
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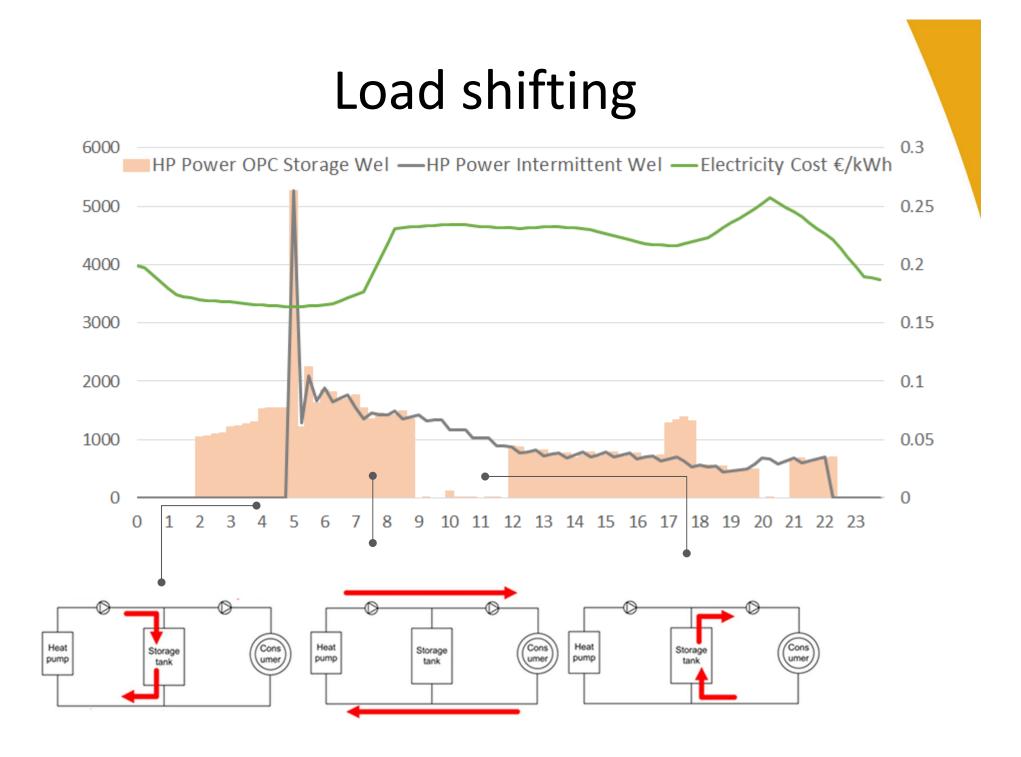


Average hour by hour Electricity Cost on Belpex day-ahead market – Year 2012 Final report – Flexipac Consortium

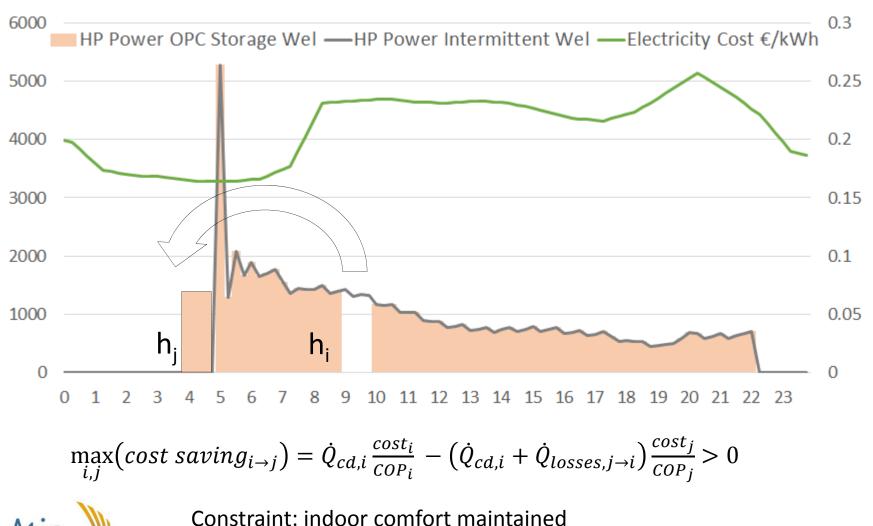


# Electricity tariff



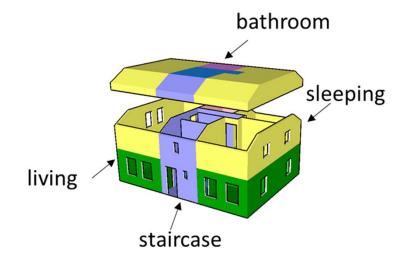


### Optimization





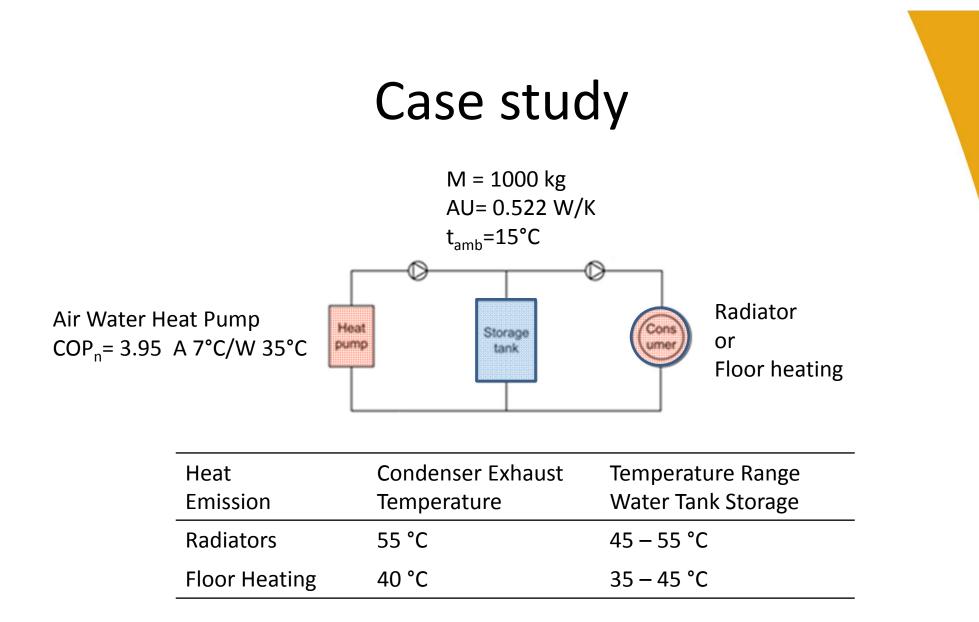
### Case study



Floor heated area 146 m<sup>2</sup> 4 occupants Concrete walls External insulation Double flow ventilation Heat recovery exchanger efficiency 80 % Summer free cooling: window opening DHW: direct electric heating

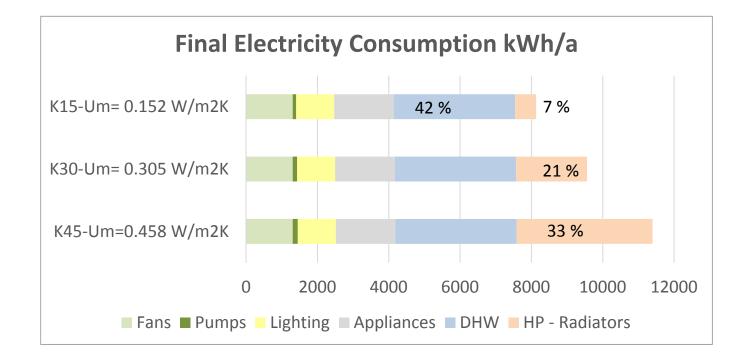
|  | Insulation<br>Level | Average<br>U-value<br>W/m <sup>2</sup> K | n50<br>ac/hr | Space Heating<br>Demand<br>kWh/m²a | Nominal Heating<br>Power<br>kW <sub>th</sub> |
|--|---------------------|--|--------------|------------------------------------|--|
|  | K45                 | 0.458                                    | 6.0          | 68                                 | 13.8   |
|  | K30                 | 0.305                                    | 3.0          | 36                                 | 11.5   |
|  | K15                 | 0.152                                    | 0.6          | 12                                 | 9.3  |

**Belgium Standard** 





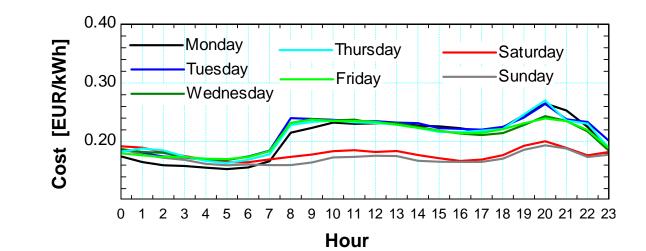
# Intermittent Heating - no storage

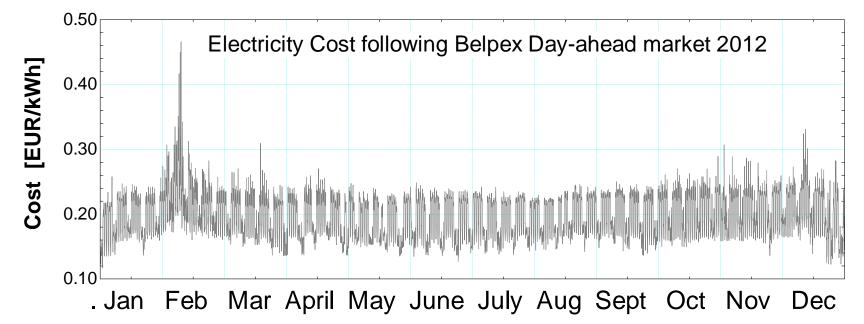


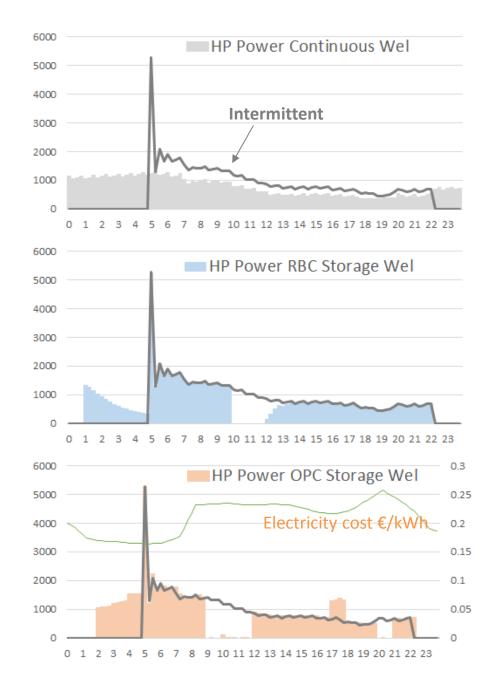
Heat Pump Electricity consumption: 600 – 2000 – 3800 kWh/a Domestic Hot Water - Direct el. Heating – 4 occupants: 3400 kWh/a



# **Cost of Electricity**







#### **Load Shifting Strategies**

#### **Continuous Heating No water storage**

• Constant set point

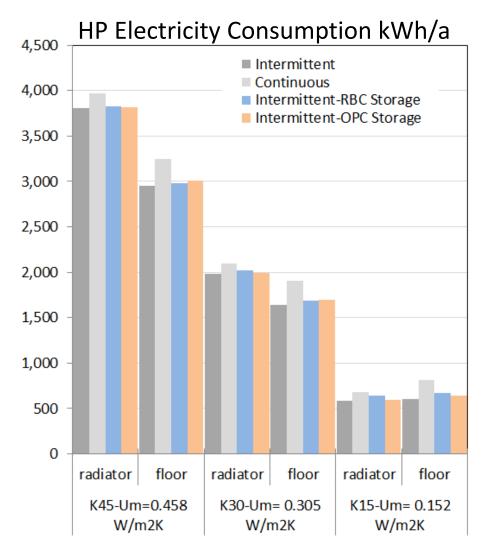
#### Rule Based Control Water storage

- Load 1 AM to 8 AM
- Unload 10 AM to 12 PM

#### **Optimized Predictive Control** Water storage (24h horizon)

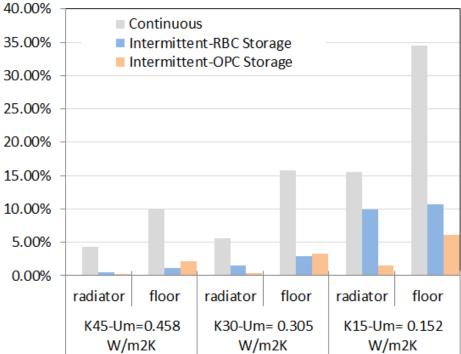
- Cost minimization
- Comfort maintained
- Perfectly predicted Building behavior

### Consumptions

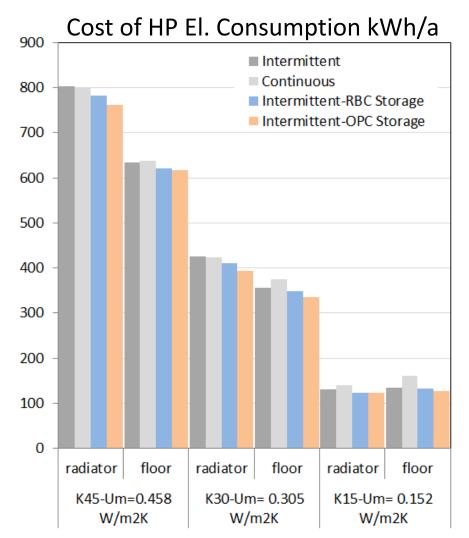


 $Overconsumption = \frac{E - E_{intermittent}}{E_{intermittent}}$ 

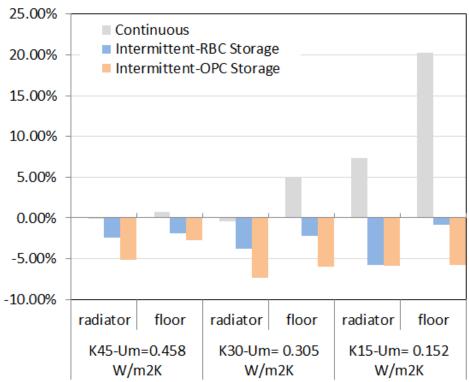
# Load shifting entails overconsumption



# Costs



Optimal Predictive Control leads to larger benefits than Rule Based Control (Reference: intermittent)



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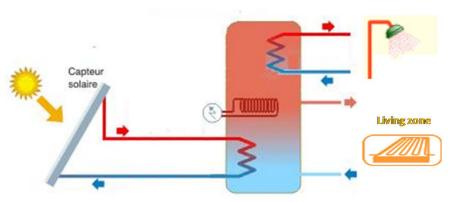
### Prosumers

PV cell: 22.5 m2 ⇒ 4.5 kW





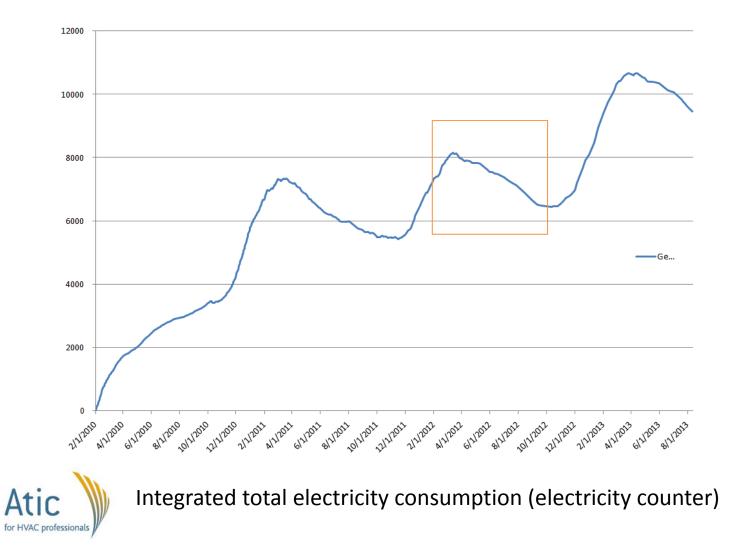
Insulation level: K19

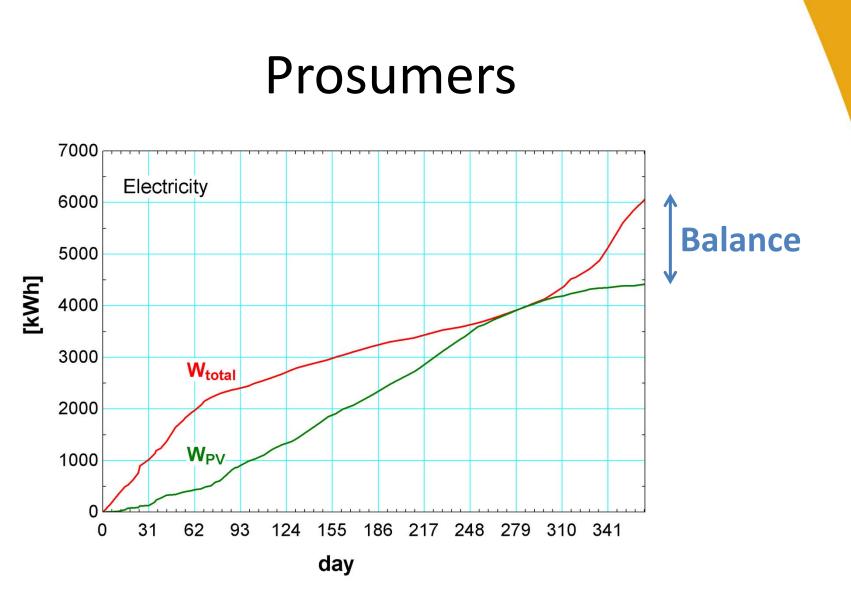


Glazed areas: 44 m2 with 31 m2 South facing windows



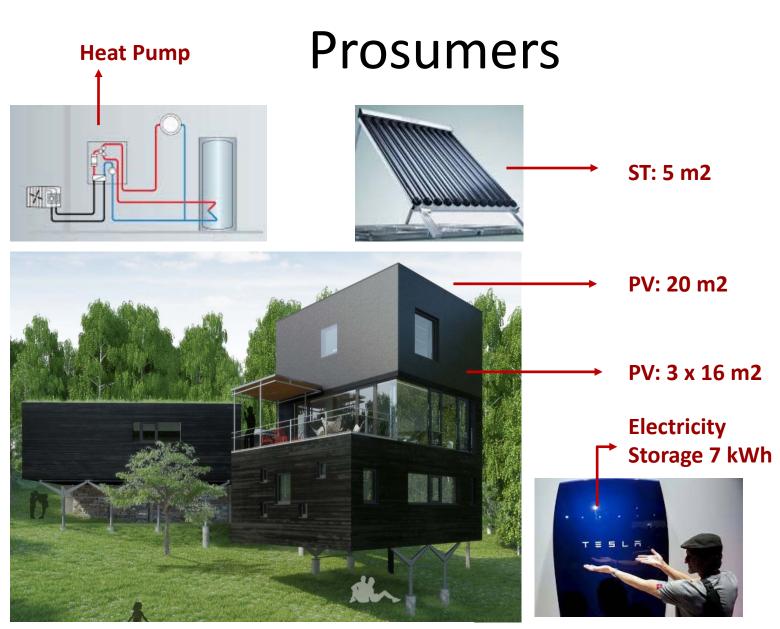
### Prosumers





Integrated electricity consumption and PV cell production for year 2012





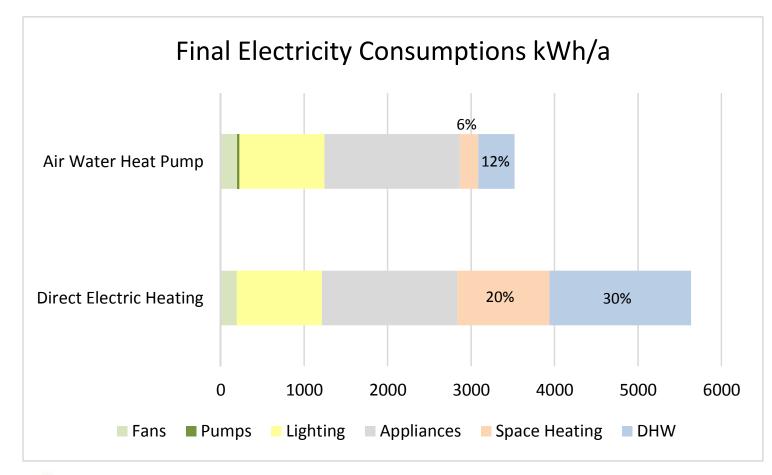
Dethier Architecture: http://www.dethier.be/

# Hypothesis

- Floor heated area 58 m<sup>2</sup>
- 2 occupants:
  - 40 I DHW at 60°C per occupant per day
- Double flow ventilation
  - Recovery efficiency 82 %
- Summer free cooling: window opening
- Space and DHW Heating system:
  - Direct electric heating
  - Air-Water HP
- Heat emission radiators: 55 45°C



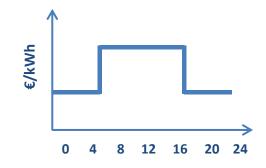
# Continuous Heating - no storage





# **Electricity Cost**

- Day-Night Pricing
  - Day time
    0.25 EUR/kWh
  - Night time 0.17 EUR kWh



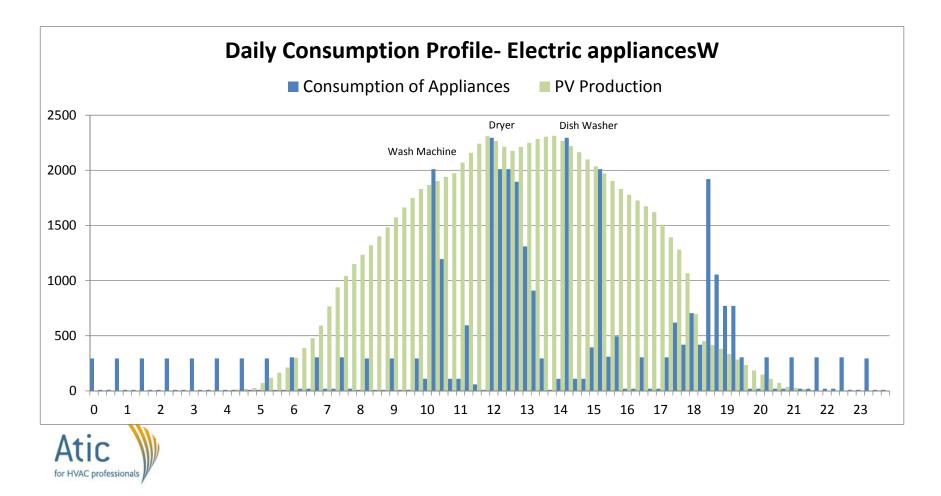
- Water tank storage: 200 l
- Electricity storage: capacity 7 kWh efficiency 85%
- Objective : maximize Self-Consumption

| Final Consumption | Self-Consumption | Consumption from Grid |         |  |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------|--|
| PV Production     | Self-Supply      | Supply to Grid        | Balance |  |
|                   |                  |                       |         |  |

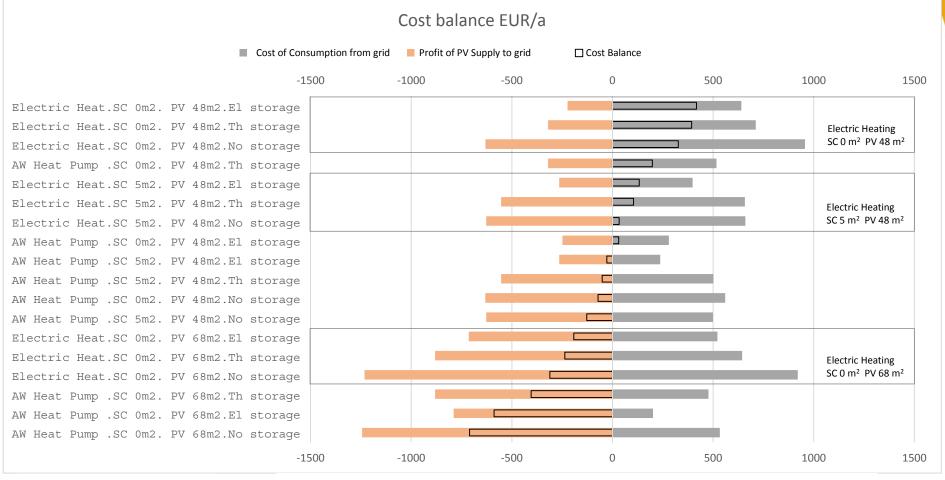


# Load shifting

Behavior: wash machine, dryer, dish washer used during daytime



### **Cost Balance**

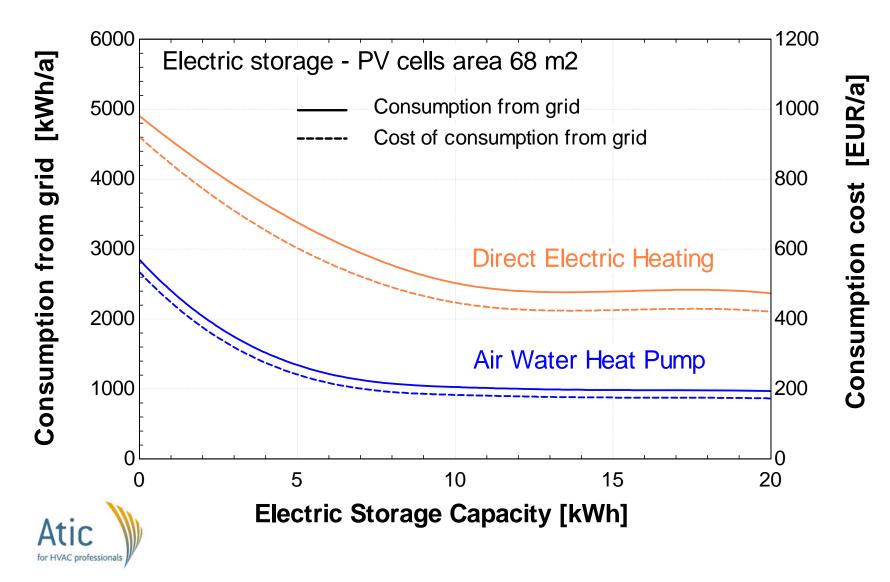


Buy back ratio = 0

Electricity storage: 2700 €

→ ROI : 5 à 8 ans

### **Electricity Storage Capacity**



# Conclusion

- Thermal storage to increase the flexibility of the demand
  - Cost reduction
  - Integration of renewable electricity production
- Thermal storage and electricity storage to increase on site consumption
  - Cost reduction as function of the buy back ratio
- Need for **optimized predictive control** 
  - Weather forecast
  - Human bevavior



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