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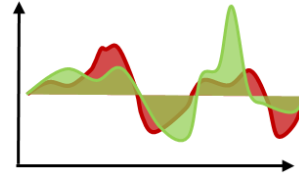
## FLEXIBILITY IDENTIFICATION OF AN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

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# INTRODUCTION



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by 2040*

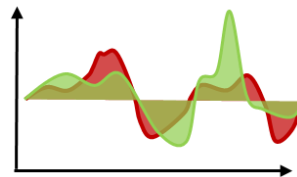
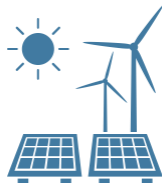


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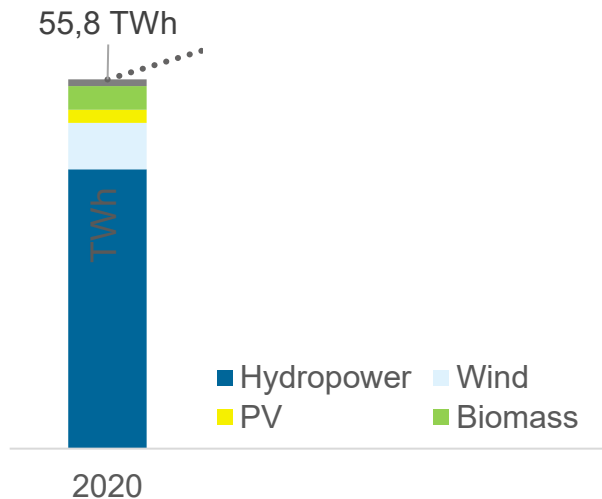
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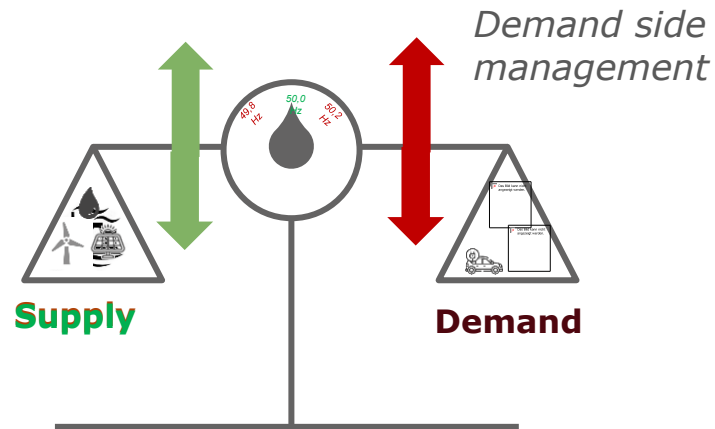
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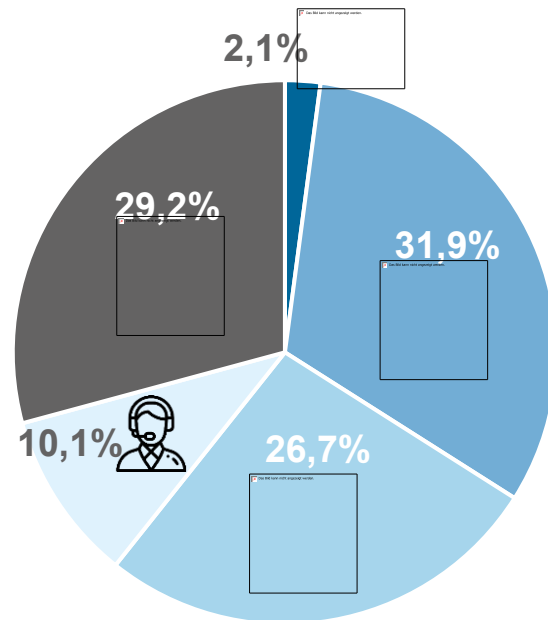
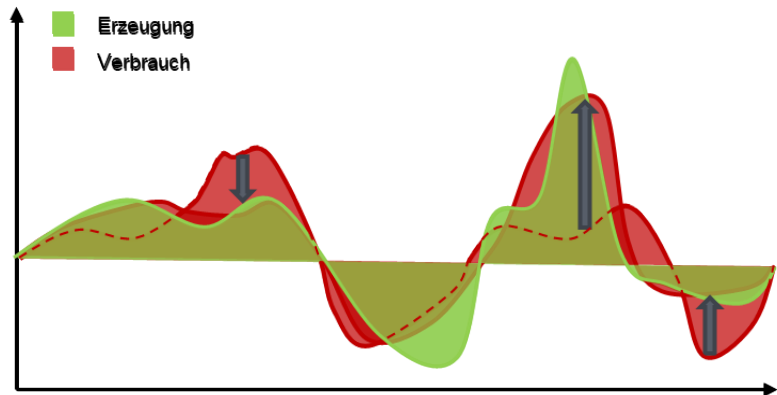
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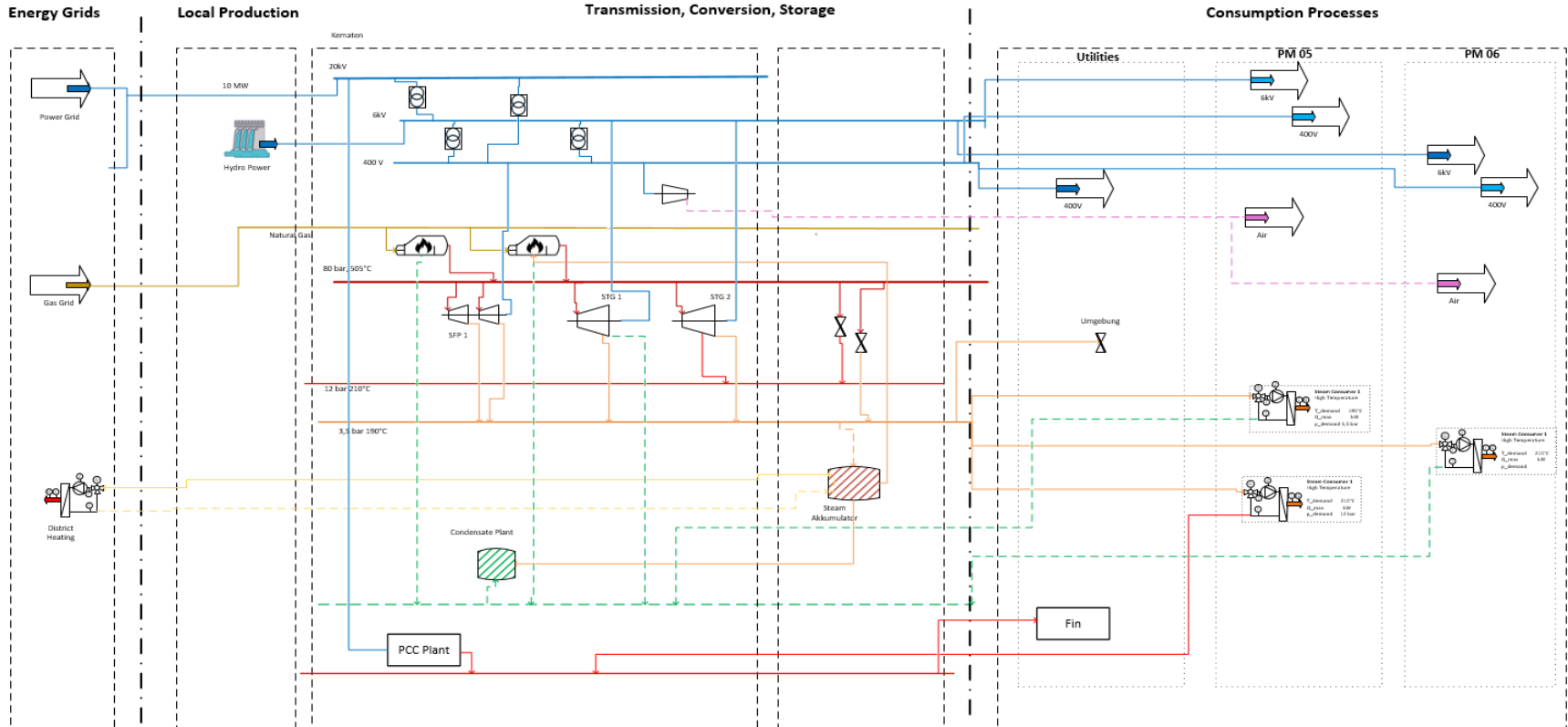
*Industrial Flexibility necessary for Demand Side Management*



*Final Energy Consumption in Austria 2020<sup>1</sup>*

<sup>1</sup> ENERGIE IN ÖSTERREICH: ZAHLEN, DATEN, FAKTEN, <sup>2</sup> INDUSTRIES, ENERGIEINFRASTRUKTUR FÜR 100% ERNEUERBARE ENERGIE IN DER INDUSTRIE, <sup>3</sup> IEA

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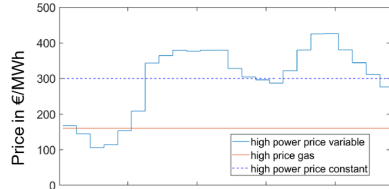
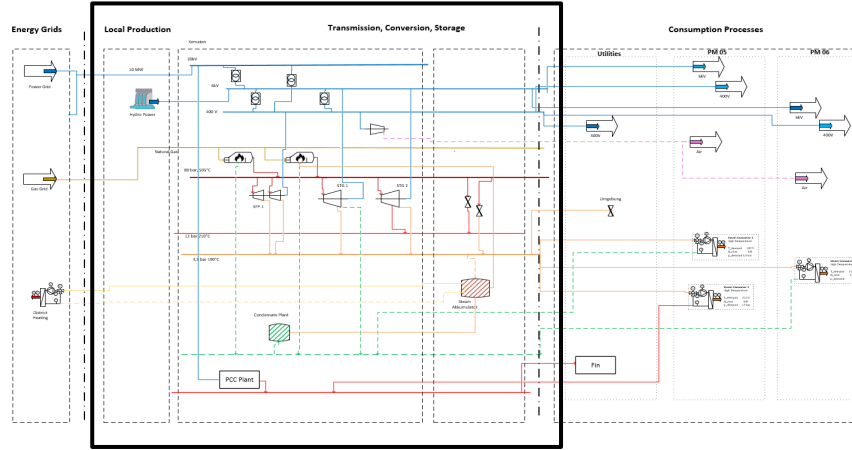


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## Industrial production - operational environment

- Energy demand of production
- Energy prices of grid-bound energy sources
- Industrial energy supply system the connection link - flexibility source

# FLEXIBILITY IDENTIFICATION

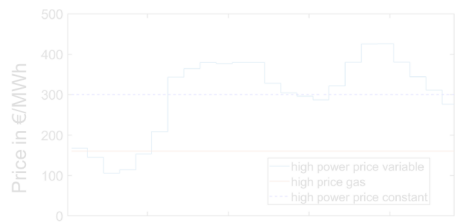


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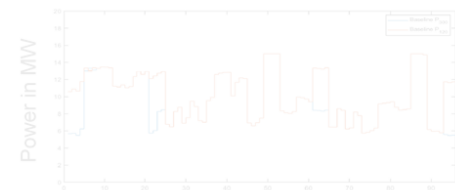


Figure 1: power supply baseline at variable electricity prices

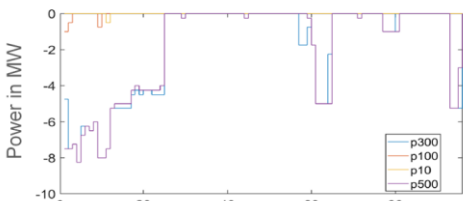
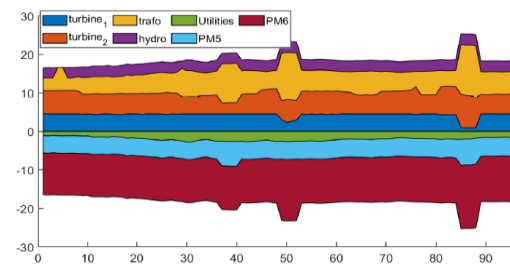
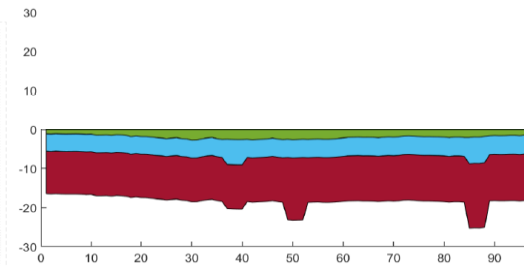
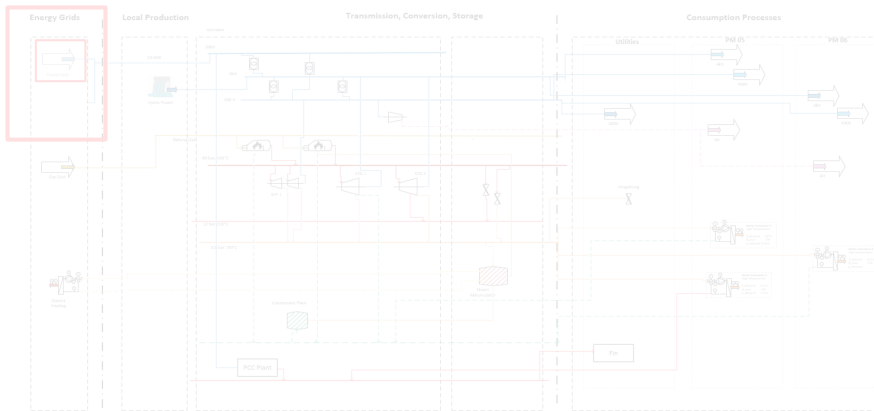
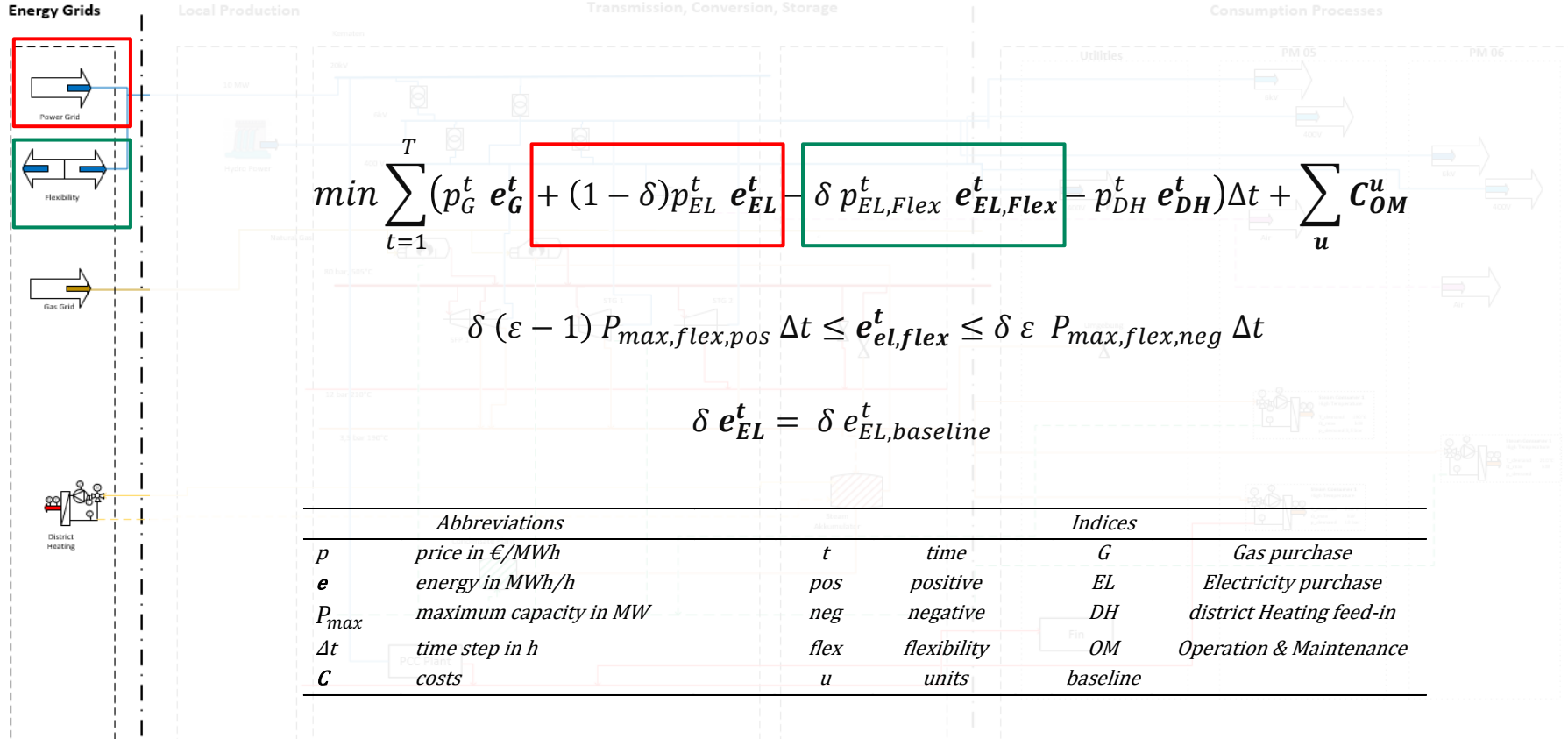


Figure 1: positive flexibility - variable low-price scenario



1. Calculation of cost-optimal production (without considering flexibility) - **BASELINE**
  - Energy prices and demand profiles as boundaries
  - Solution of the corresponding UC problem
2. Identification of economic flexibilities
  - Power supply trajectory remains fixed
  - Price for flexibility provision is assumed
  - Solution of the adapted UC-problem -> available Flexibility

# MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION



$$\min \sum_{t=1}^T (p_G^t e_G^t + (1 - \delta) p_{EL}^t e_{EL}^t - \delta p_{EL, Flex}^t e_{EL, Flex}^t - p_{DH}^t e_{DH}^t) \Delta t + \sum_u C_{OM}^u$$

$$\delta (\varepsilon - 1) P_{max, flex, pos} \Delta t \leq e_{el, flex}^t \leq \delta \varepsilon P_{max, flex, neg} \Delta t$$

$$\delta e_{EL}^t = \delta e_{EL, baseline}^t$$

Abbreviations		Indices	
$p$	price in €/MWh	$t$	time
$e$	energy in MWh/h	$pos$	positive
$P_{max}$	maximum capacity in MW	$neg$	negative
$\Delta t$	time step in h	$flex$	flexibility
$C$	costs	$u$	units
		$G$	Gas purchase
		$EL$	Electricity purchase
		$DH$	district Heating feed-in
		$OM$	Operation & Maintenance
		$baseline$	baseline



# MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION

## 1.STEP: Baseline Calculation ( $\delta = 0$ )

$$\min \sum_{t=1}^T (p_G^t e_G^t + (1 - \delta) p_{EL}^t e_{EL}^t - p_{DH}^t e_{DH}^t) \Delta t + \sum_u C_{OM}^u$$

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# MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION

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# RESULTS - BASELINE

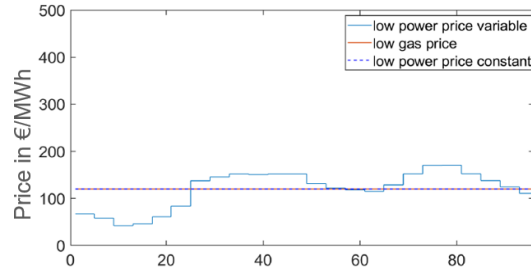


Figure 2: low price scenario energy costs

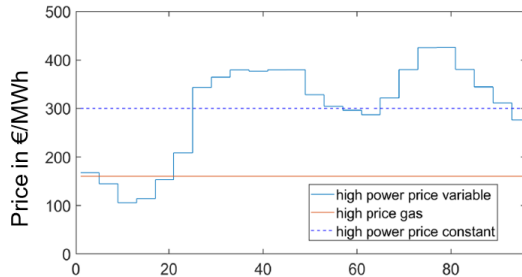


Figure 3: high price scenario energy costs

- Price profile has a significant influence on the energy purchase profile

# RESULTS – FLEXIBILITY POTENTIAL

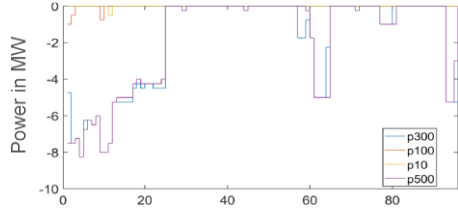


Figure 1: positive flexibility - variable low-price scenario

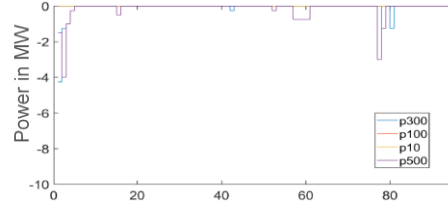


Figure 2: positive flexibility - constant low-price scenario

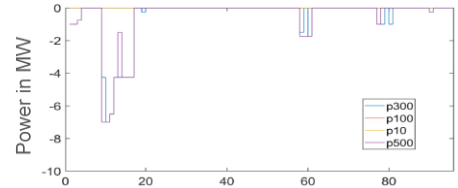


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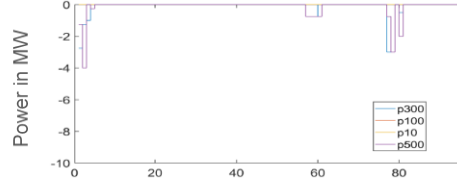
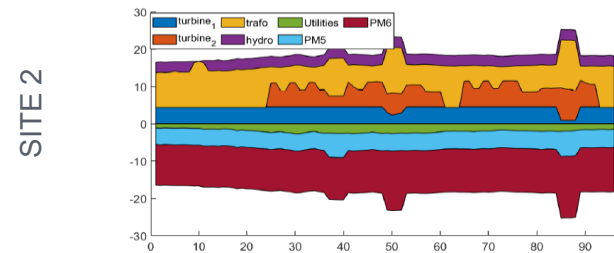
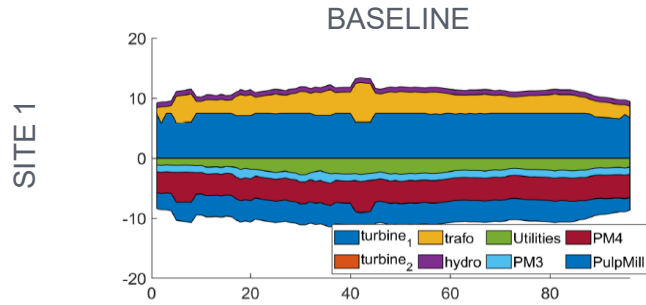


Figure 4: positive flexibility – constant high-price scenario

- Limited potential for provision of positive flexibility (heat driven energy production), high costs
- Significantly higher potential for provision of negative flexibility was identified
- Considerable negative flexibility (>5MW) May be offered at negative prices (due to reduction of gas incurred for self generation)
- Very efficient utilization of flexibility
- Base price profile also affects (economic) flexibility

# RESULTS – PLANT OPERATION



- Positive flexibility is rather provided at site 2, negative at both
- Some units are identified as „must-run“ - due to generation capacity limits

# CONCLUSION & OUTLOOK

- Identification of flexibility is affected by various parameters -> necessitates advanced methods
- Baseline price profile affects (economic) flexibilities
- Significantly higher potential for provision of negative flexibility  
– heat driven production rather an electricity consumer
- Considerable negative flexibility (>5MW) may be offered at negative prices – very beneficial utilization
  
- The **identified flexibilities must not be misunderstood as actual revenues**
- It is rather a possible potential to be marketed at flexibility and energy service markets
- Problem: Different timeframes, gate closure times and stochastic effects
- Development of a sufficient sophisticated bidding strategy is the actual ongoing research work

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