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Effective Dispatch Planning for Competing Storage Agents

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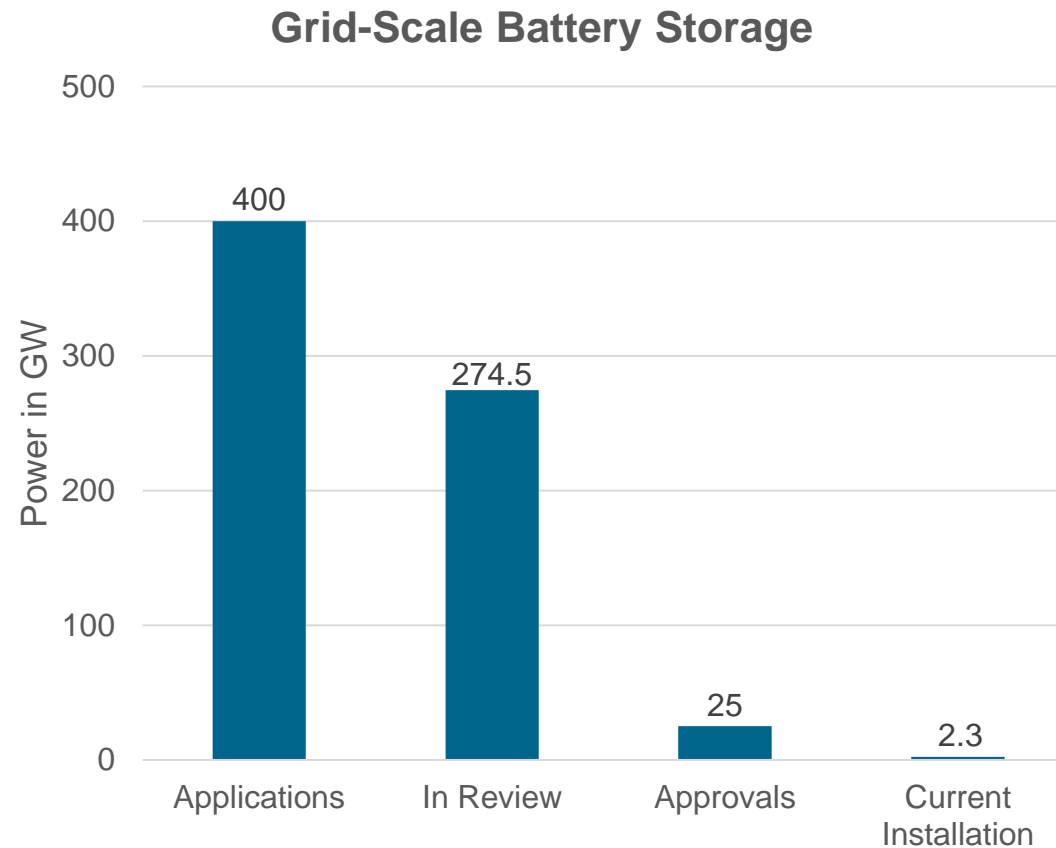
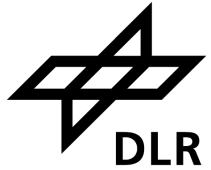
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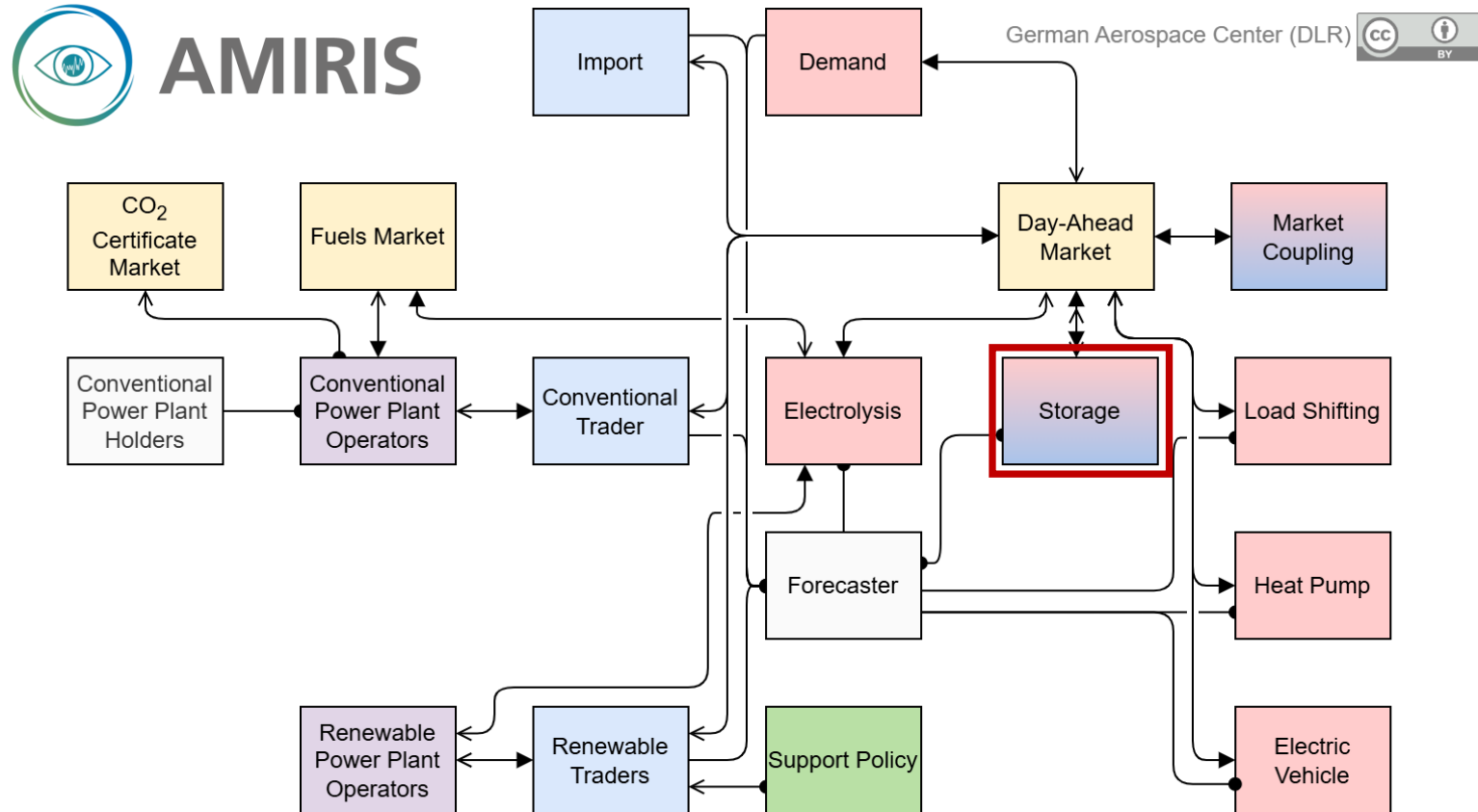
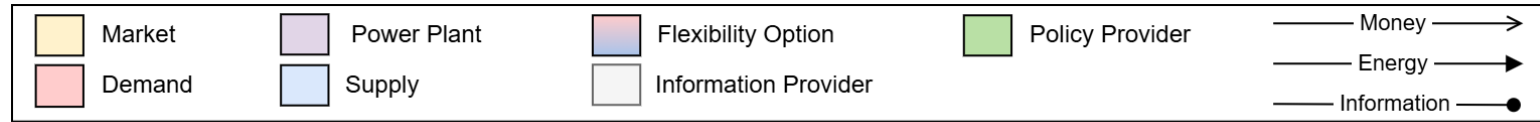


Motivation



→ What impact on electricity market dynamics might these storage units have?

Agent-based electricity market modelling



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Modelling Competing Storages

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The Question



To charge or to discharge...

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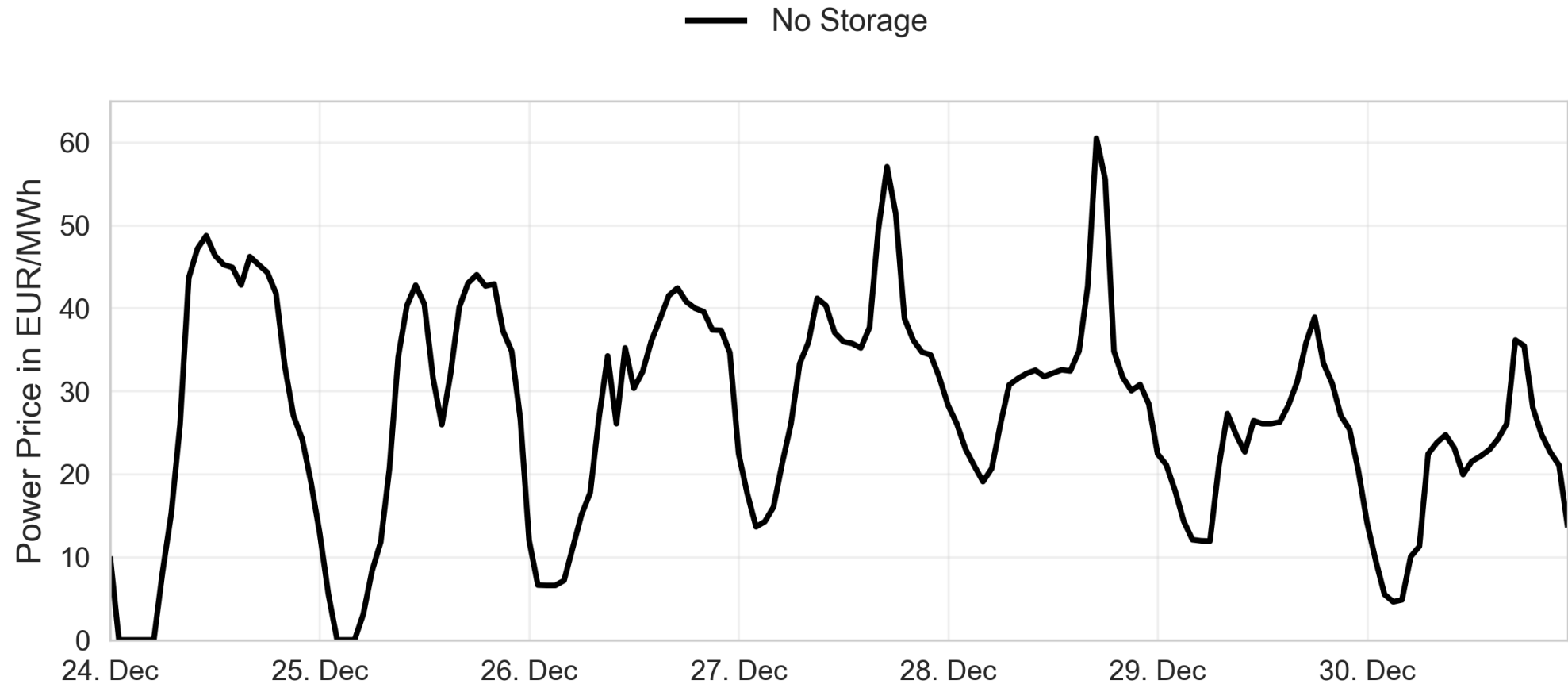
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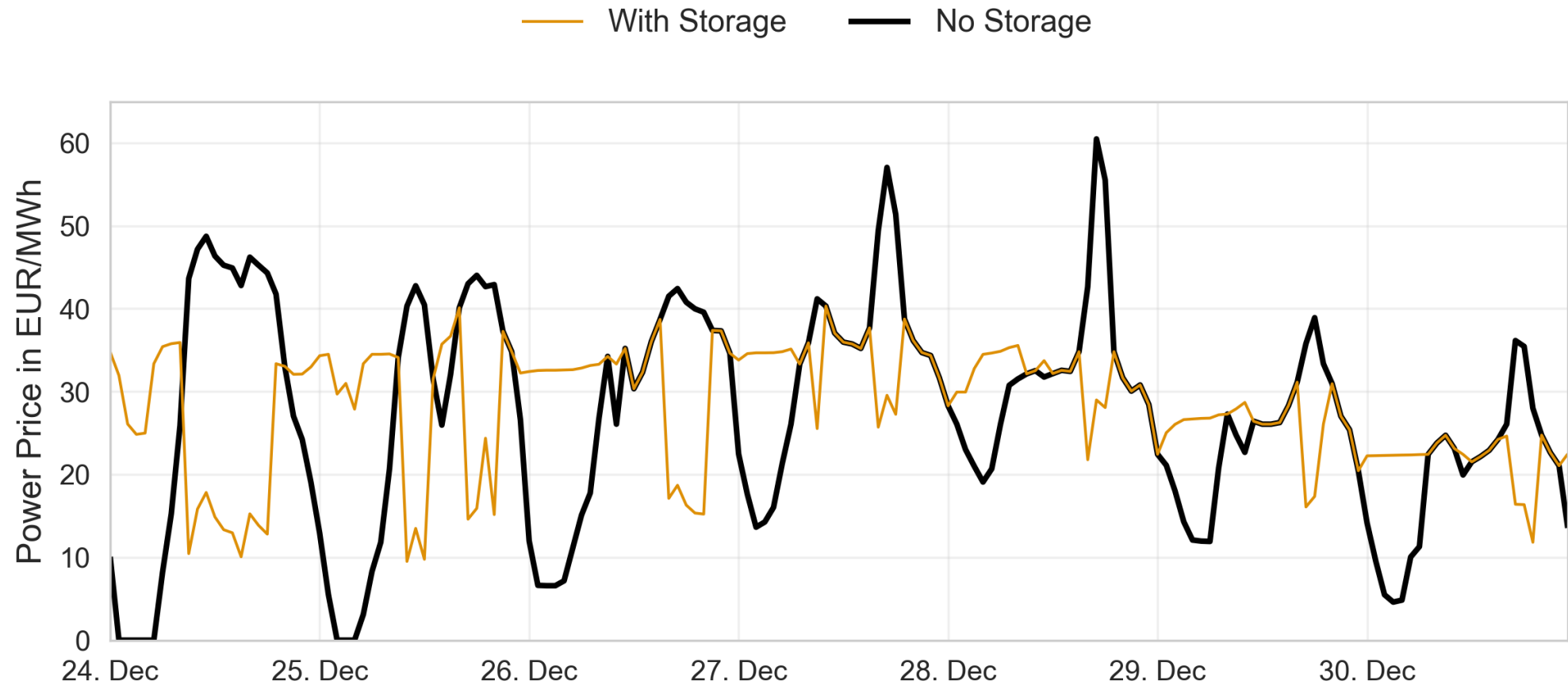
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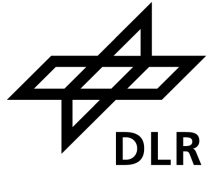
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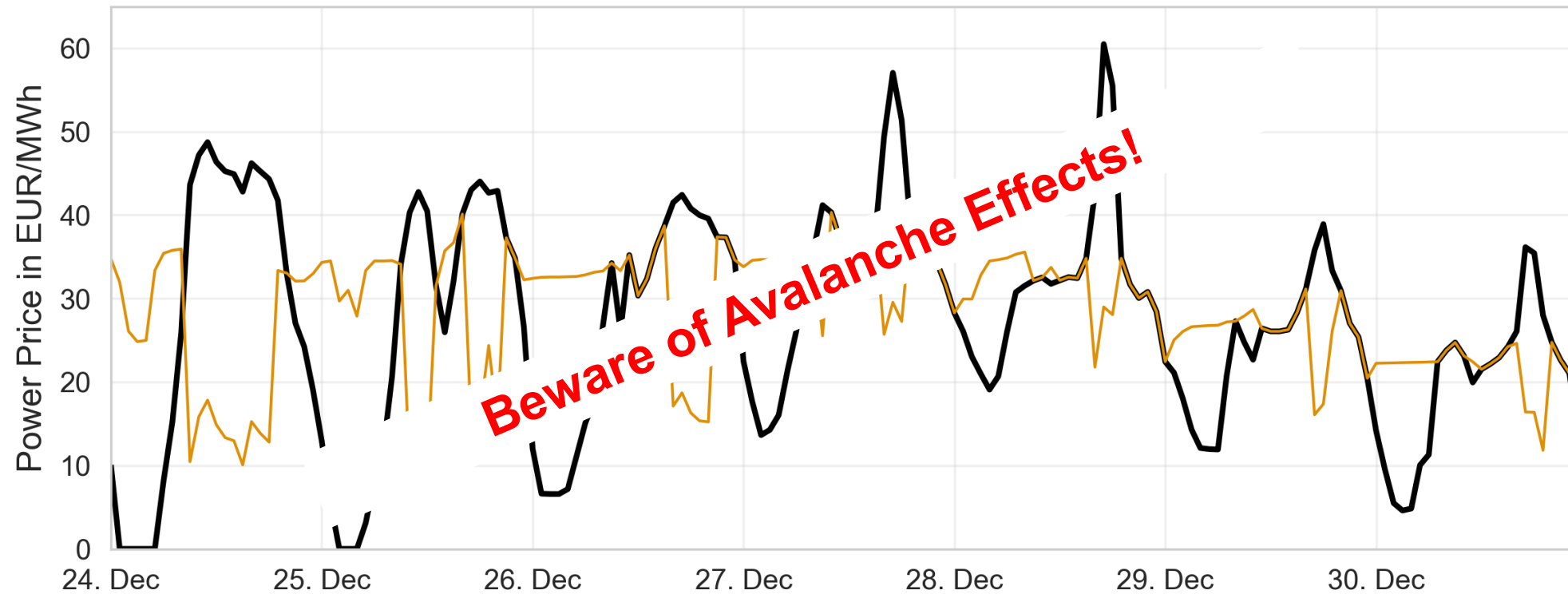
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— With Storage — No Storage

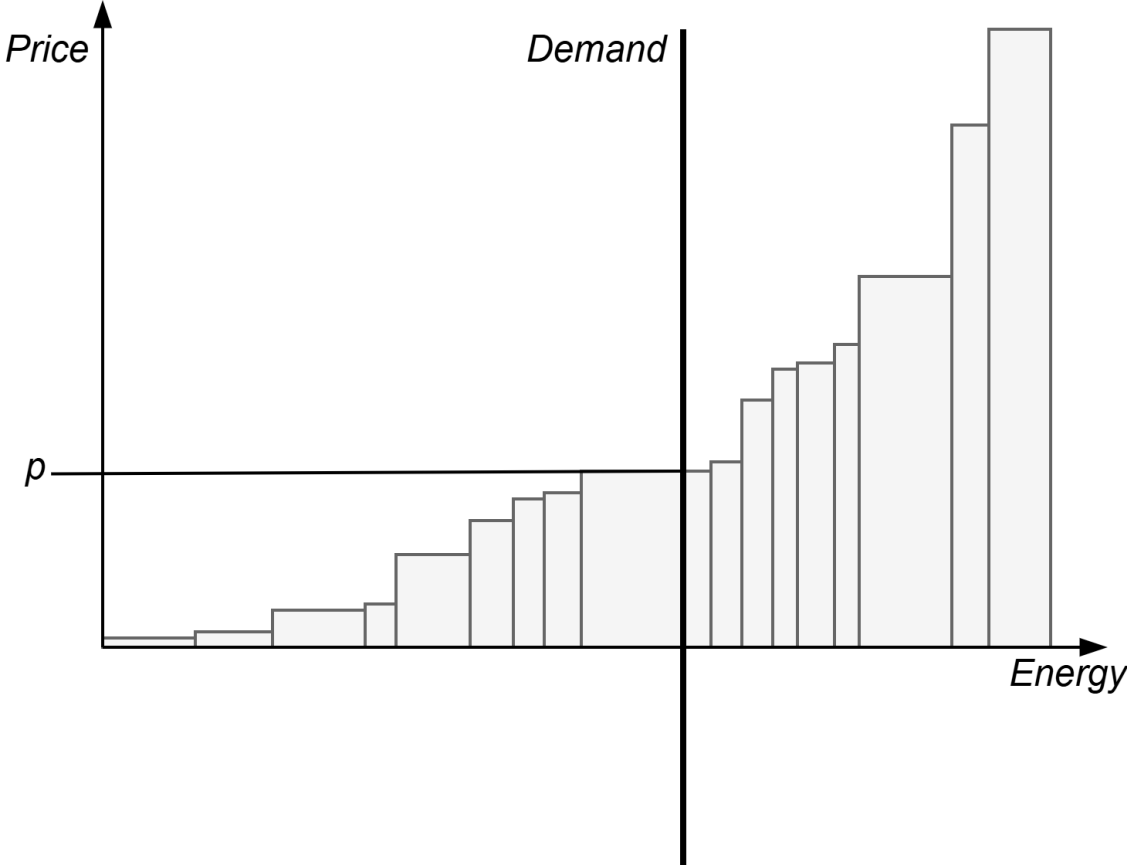


Modelling Competing Storages

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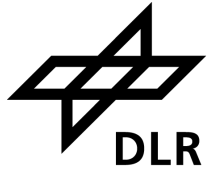


Use Merit Order in Forecast

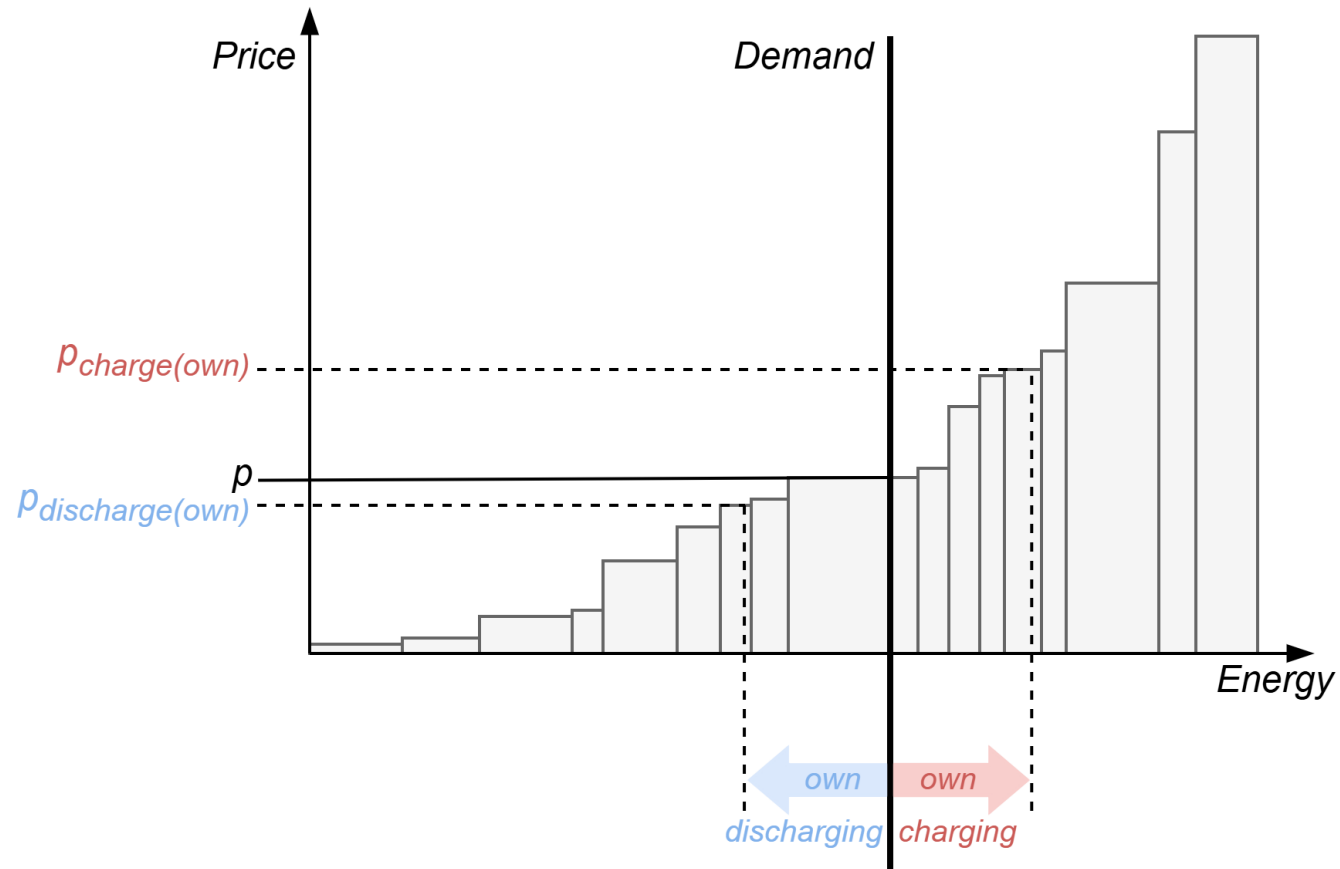


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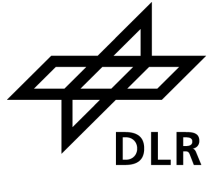


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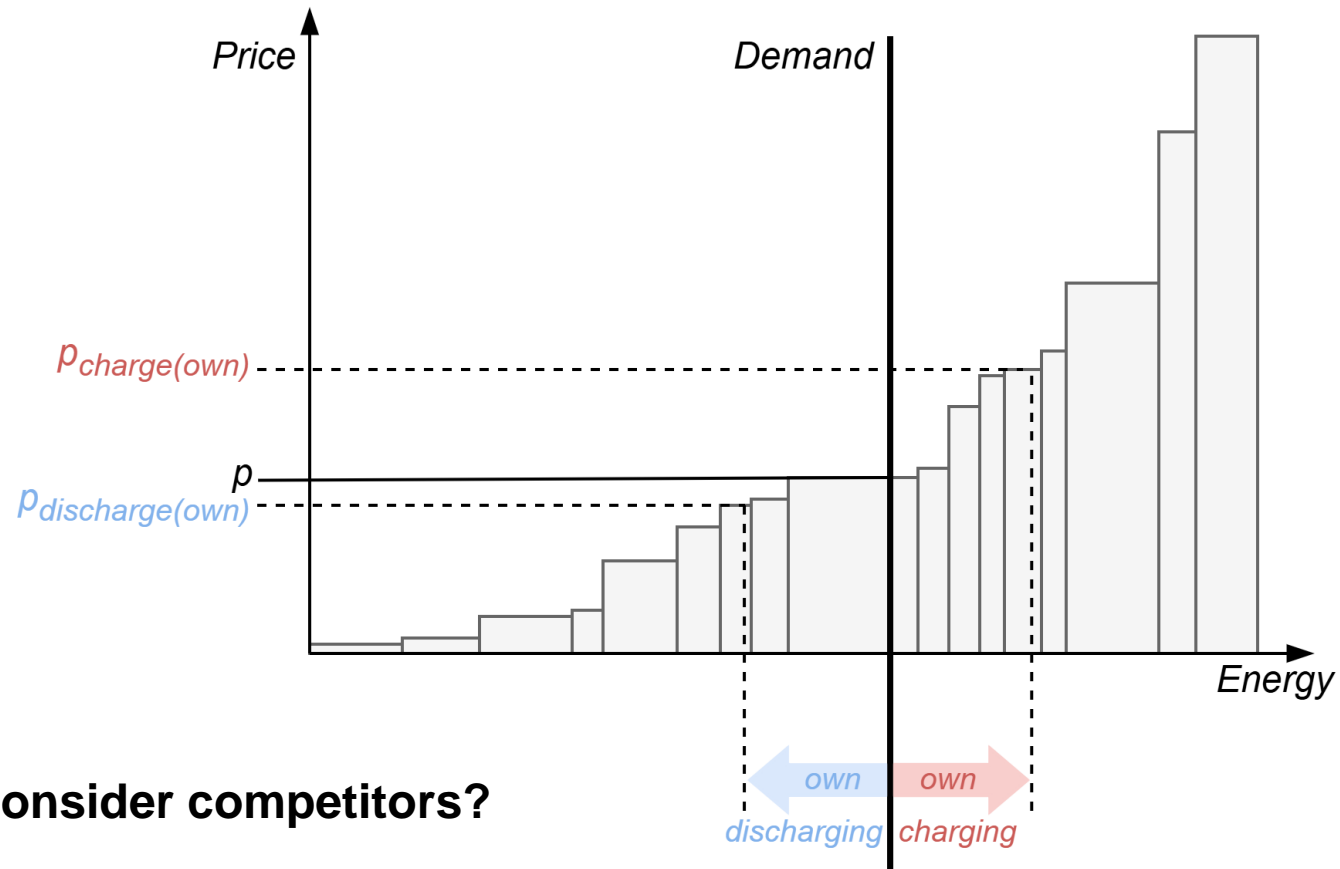


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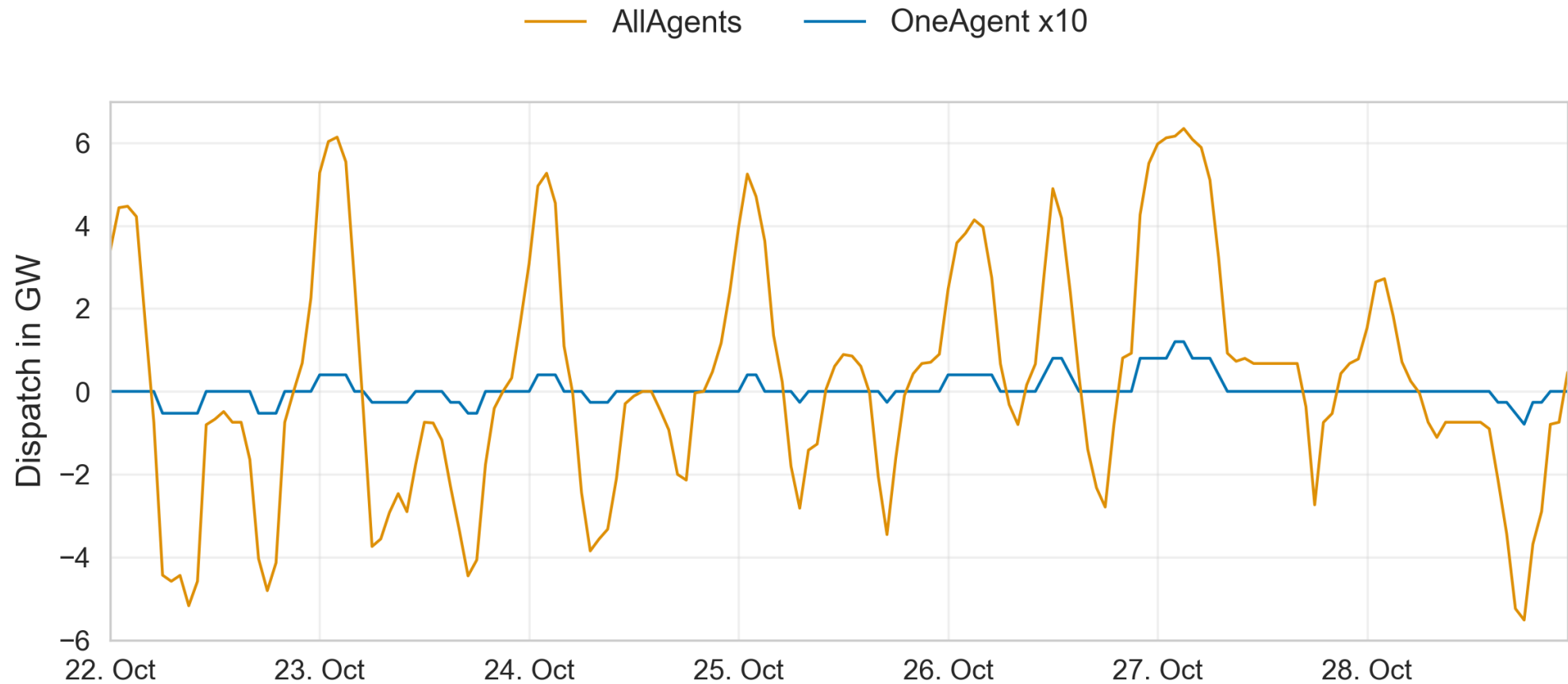
But how consider competitors?

Modelling Competing Storages

Observe Dispatch



→ Compare own dispatch to that of competitors



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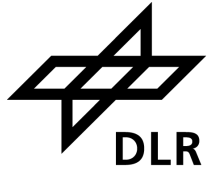
- Compare own dispatch to that of competitors
- Represent as “**multiplier**” relative to own dispatch

— Moving Average

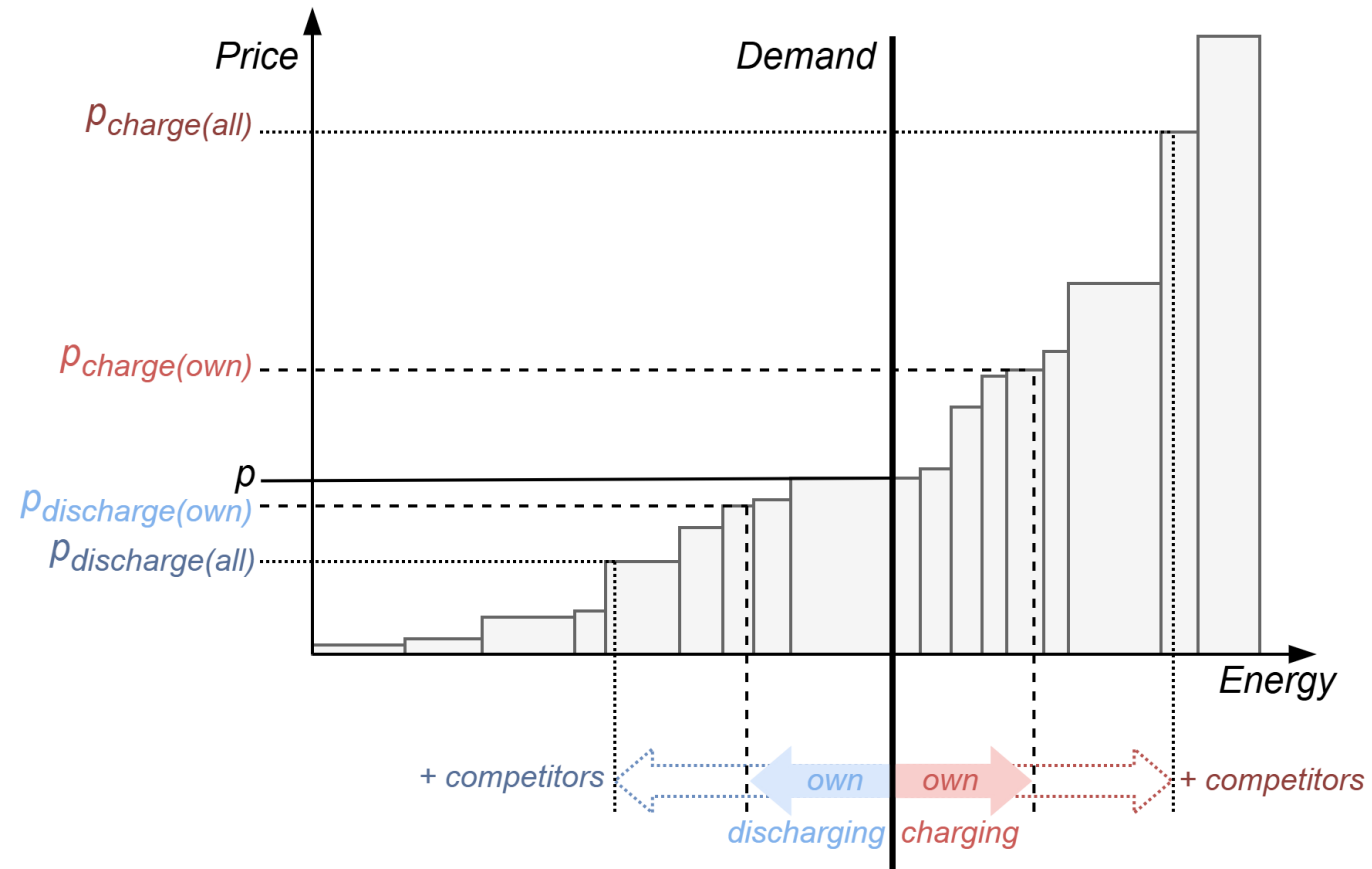


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Apply Multiplier



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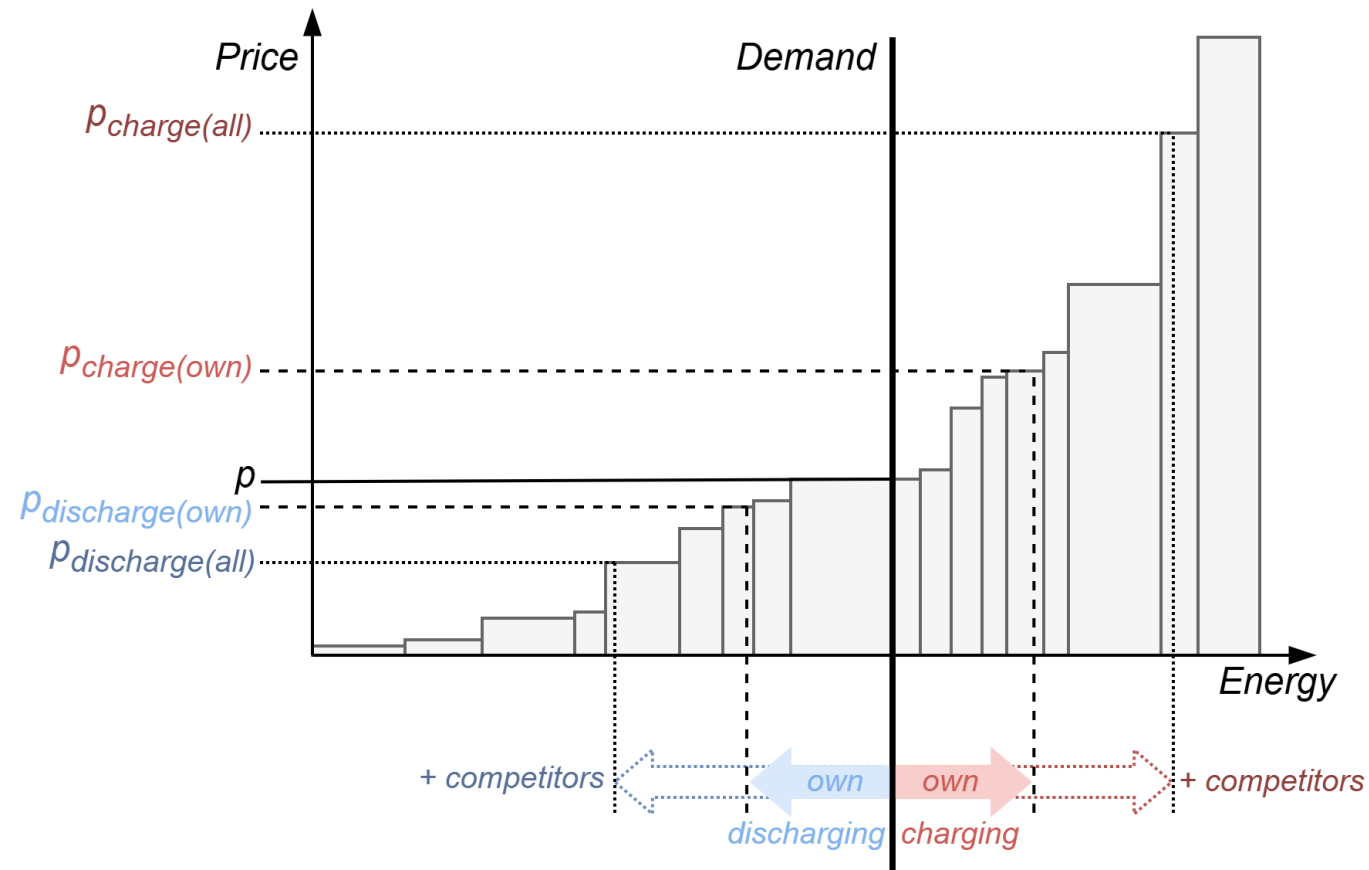


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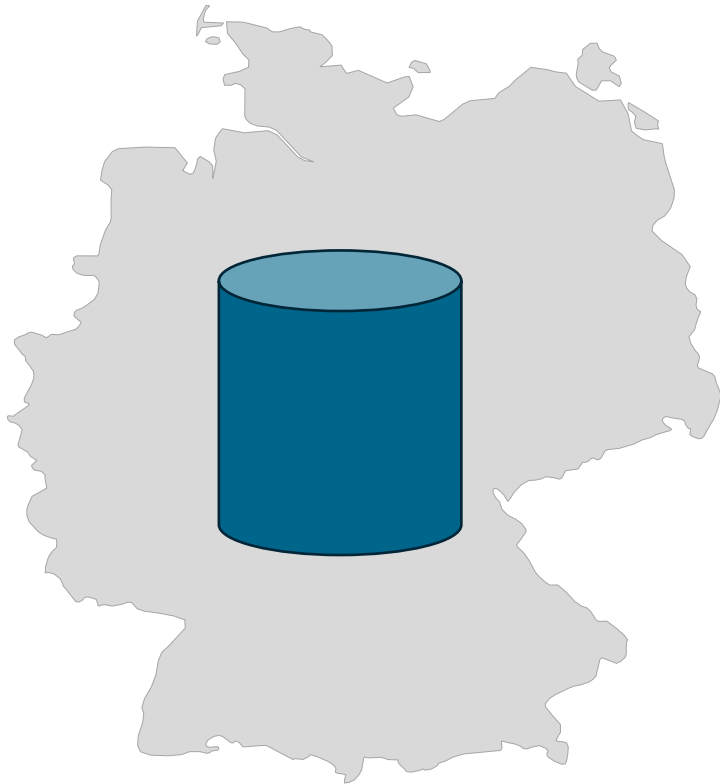
→ Avoids Avalanches

Backtesting

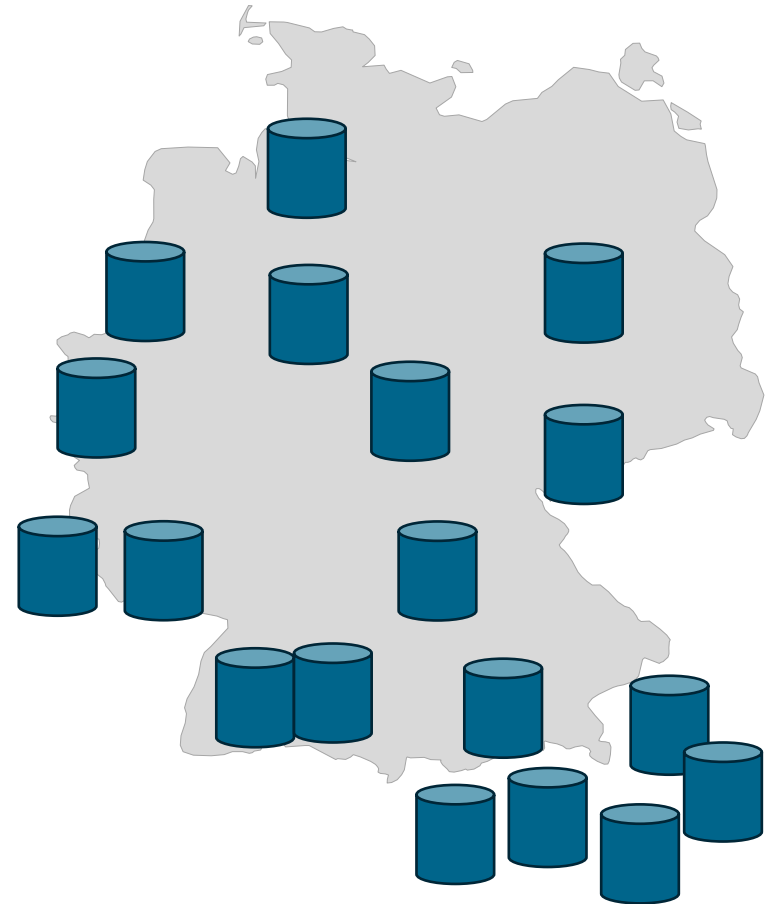
Backtesting

Germany 2019

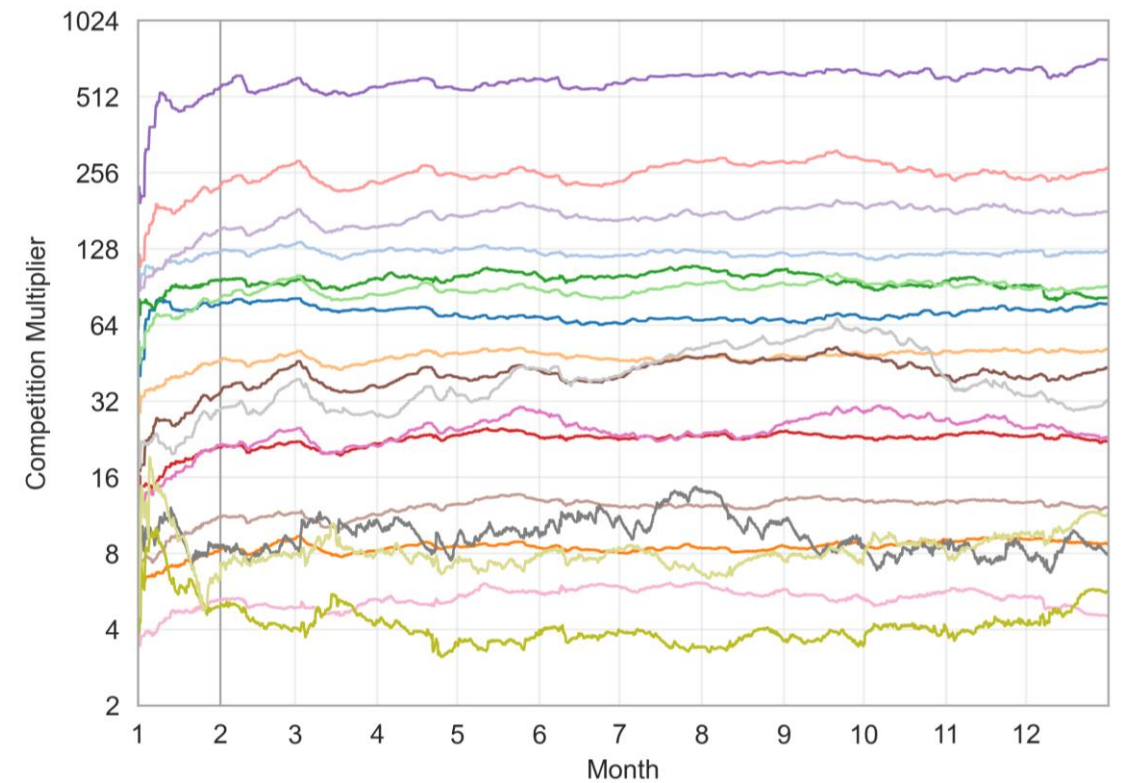
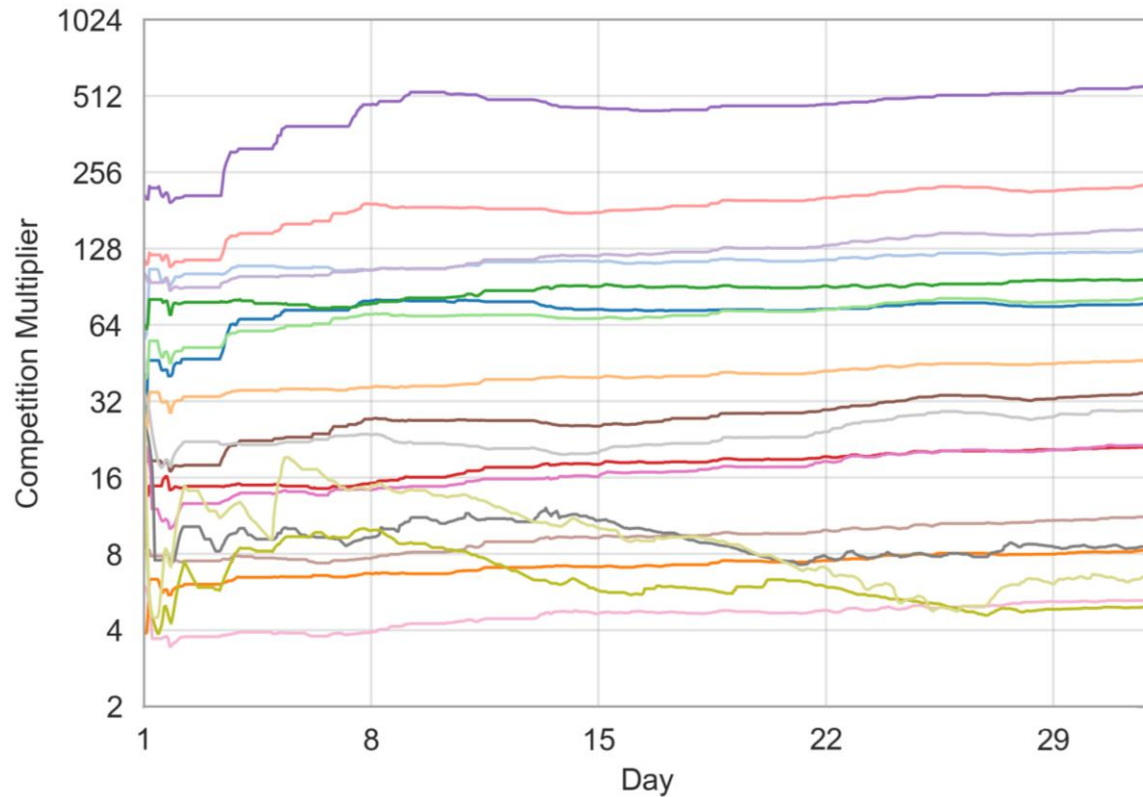
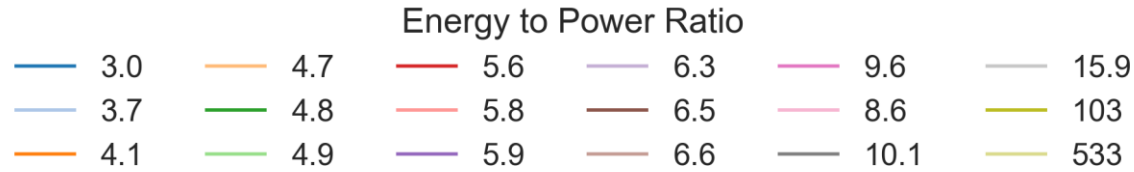
Single Storage



18 Competing Storage Units

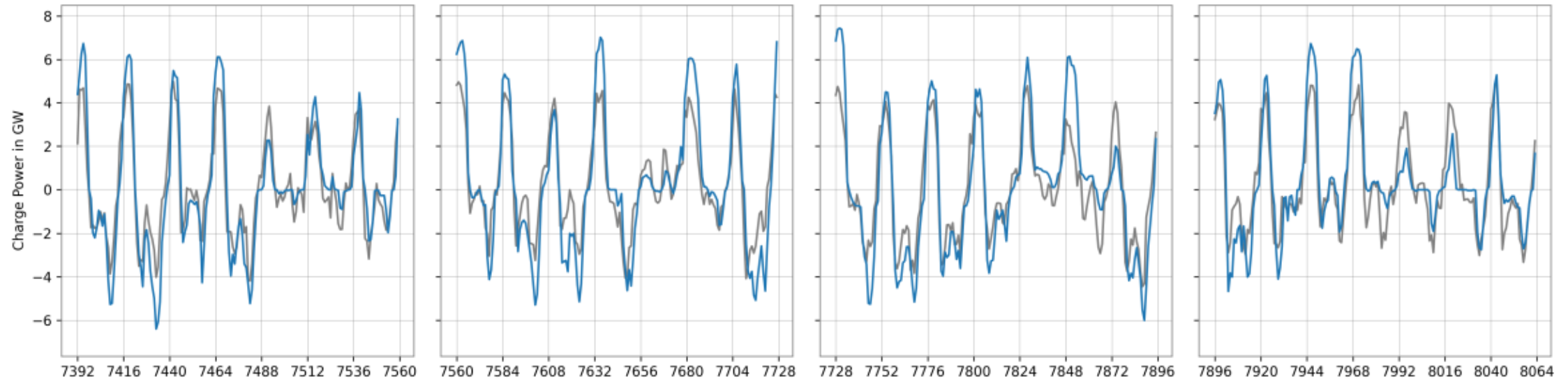
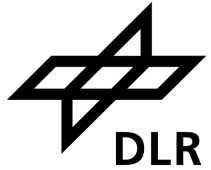


Backtesting Multiplier development



Backtesting

Storage Dispatch

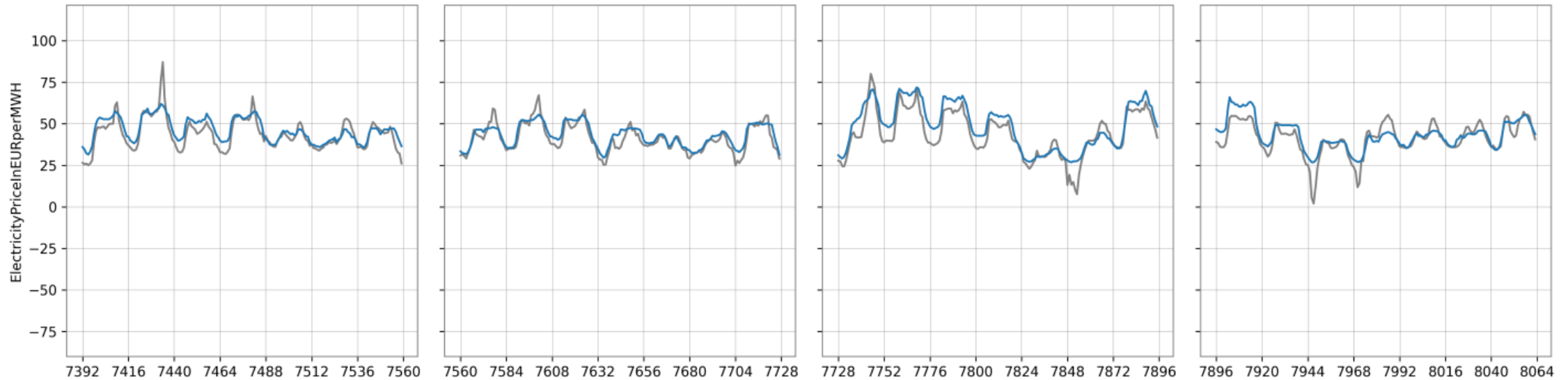
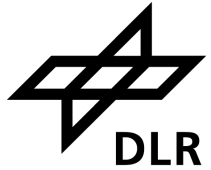


→ Accurate storage dispatch simulation

	1 Storage	18 Storages
Pearson Correlation	0.75	0.86
MAE in GW	2.06	1.02
Relative discharged energy	149%	107%

Backtesting: 18 Competing Storages

Electricity Prices



→ Accurate electricity price simulation

	1 Storage	18 Storages
Pearson Correlation	0.80	0.85
MAE in EUR/MWh	6.21	5.37
Relative profits	70%	109%

What if...

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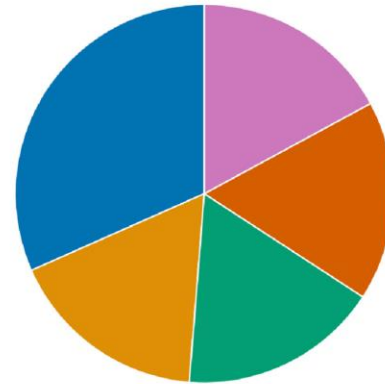
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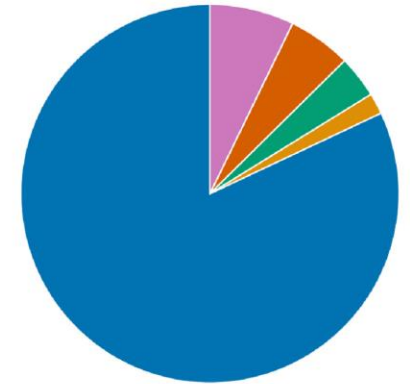
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- Added 4 generic storage clusters
- Each with $P = 5 \text{ GW}$ and $\eta = 86.5\%$
- Increasing E2P ratio: 1, 2, 3, 4

Converter Power in MW



Storage Capacity in MWh



■ Pumped Hydro

■ Battery 1

■ Battery 2

■ Battery 3

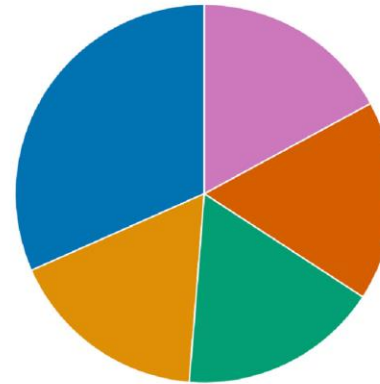
■ Battery 4

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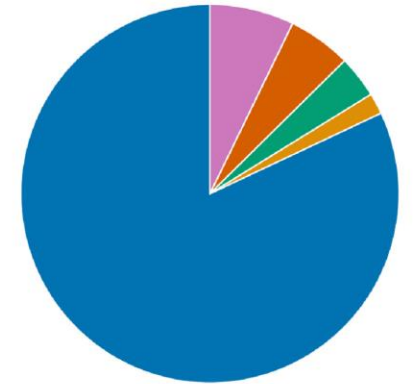


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	Backtesting	105 M€
Total Profits		

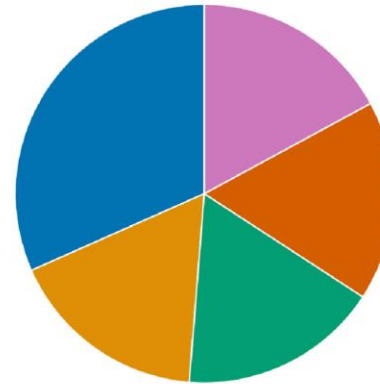


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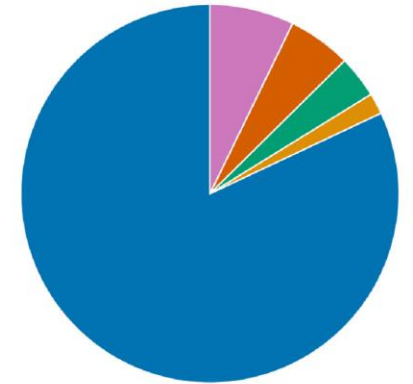


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Storage Capacity in MWh



Metric	Scenario	Value
Discharged Energy Total	Backtesting	7.3 TWh
	Increased Capacity	10.7 TWh
Total Profits	Backtesting	105 M€
	Increased Capacity	75 M€

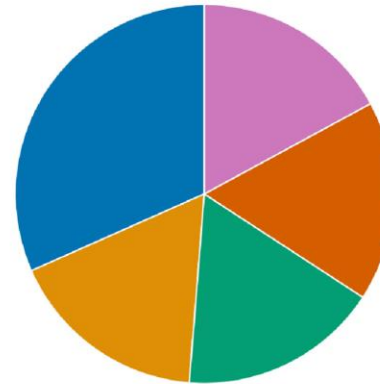


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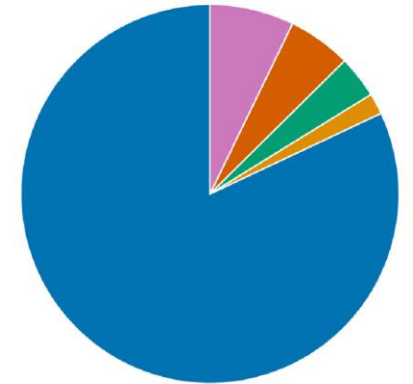


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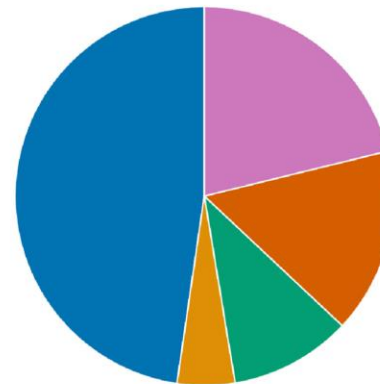
Converter Power in MW



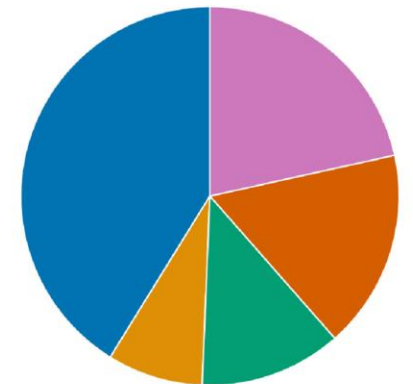
Storage Capacity in MWh



Profit in EUR



Dispatched Energy in MWh



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	Increased Capacity	10.7 TWh
Total Profits	Backtesting	105 M€
	Increased Capacity	75 M€



Summary



Fast	1 year with 18 competing units takes ~30s
Accurate	convincing backtesting performance
More storage	significant cannibalization effect

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Model



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