



# How much flexibility can Demand Response applications provide the electricity system?



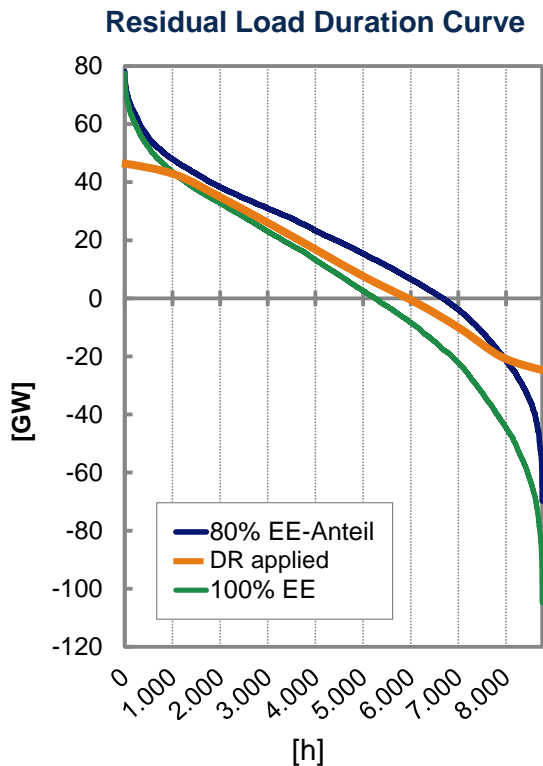
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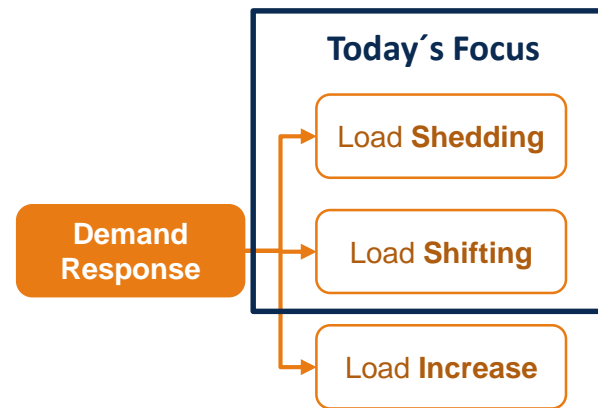
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# Demand Response flattens the residual load curve and increases the utilization of generation capacities



- System with high share of renewable energy sources (RES) is based on a high amount of overcapacities (conventional and renewable)
- To minimize curtailment of RES, investments in flexibility options are needed
  - Overcapacity increases (e.g. storages, lines)
- Demand Response (DR) helps to increase the utilization of existing plants



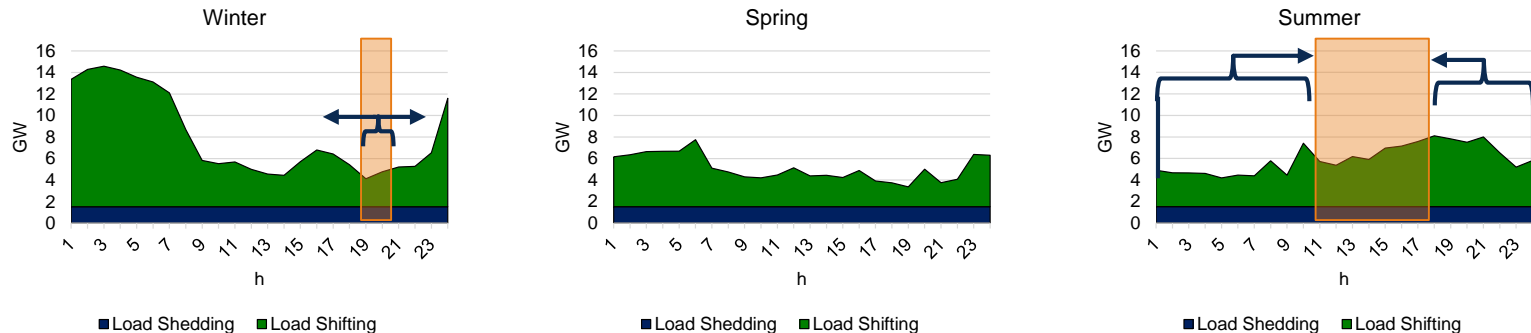
# Several applications exist, which can provide flexible demand to the electricity system

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		Time dependency	Temperature dependency	Frequency	Duration of interfere	Shifting time	
Sector & selected applications		DR(t)	DR( $\vartheta$ )	f	t <sub>shed</sub> in h	t <sub>shift</sub> in h	
Industry	Electrolytic primary aluminium	-	-	40	4	-	Load shedding
	Chloralkali process	-	-	40	4	-	
	Steel (electric arc furnace)	-	-	40	4	-	
	Wood Pulp Production	-	-	24	2	4	Load shifting
	Cement mills	Season, hour	-	365	3	24	
Tertiary/Residential	Cold storage	Season, hour	-	1095	2	2	Load shifting
	Warm Water Heater	hour	+	1095	12	12	
	Night Storages	hour	+	1095	12	12	
	Ventilation	hour	+	1095	1	2	
	Air conditioning	Season, hour	+	1095	2	2	

(Source: dena 2010, Klobasa 2007, VDE 2012, Gils 2014)

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Total available DR potential varies with season and daytime:

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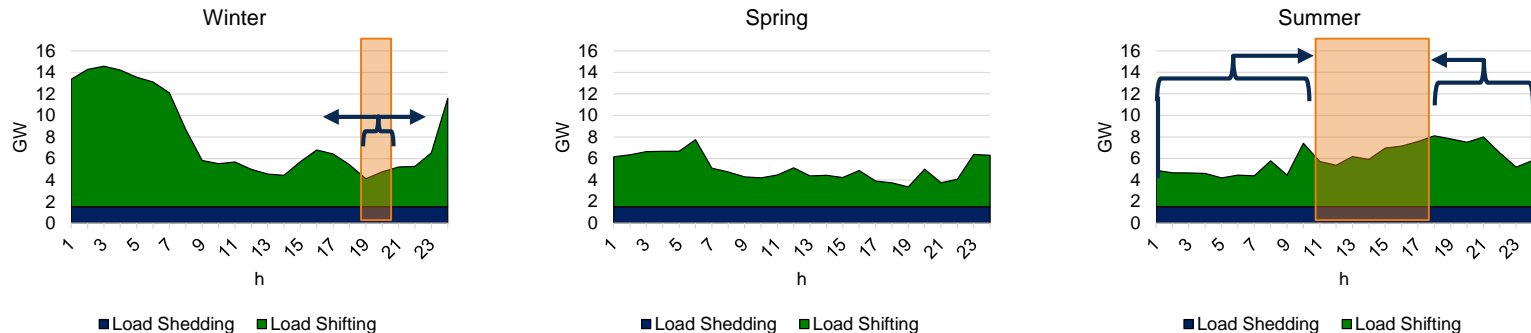
- Highest potential available at night → Need for load shedding is low during this time
- Peak demand in evening hours → load shedding potential is low during this time

## 2) Summer

- Load reduction potential is highest at daytime → no/small demand during this time
- To compensate PV feed-in, load needs to be increased during these hours

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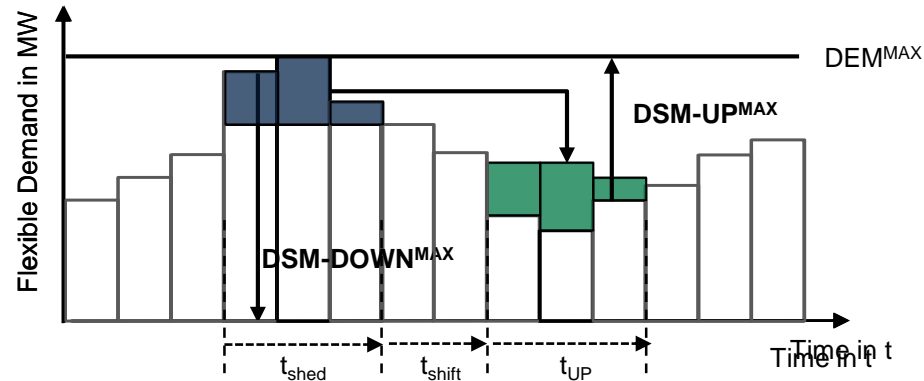
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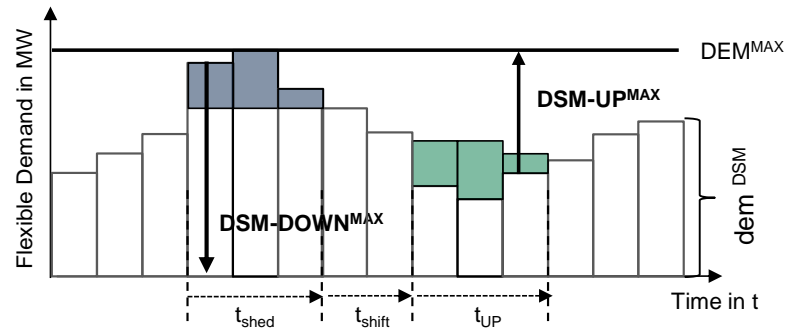
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# Several restrictions needed to be considered when modelling Demand Responds



Limits in...	Parameter needed to be considered:
(Max.) Amount	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced demand</li> <li>Increased demand</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: right;"> <math>DSM-DOWN^{MAX}</math>  <math>DSM-UP^{MAX}</math> </div>
(Max.) Duration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duration of interfere</li> <li>Shifting time</li> <li>Raising time</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: right;"> <math>t_{shed}</math>  <math>t_{shift}</math>  <math>t_{up}</math> </div>
Frequency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Per day, month, year, ...</li> </ul>
Total consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The total consumption doesn't change for load shifting</li> </ul> <div style="text-align: right;"> <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #4a69bd; border: 1px solid black;"></span> = <span style="display: inline-block; width: 15px; height: 15px; background-color: #4caf50; border: 1px solid black;"></span> </div>

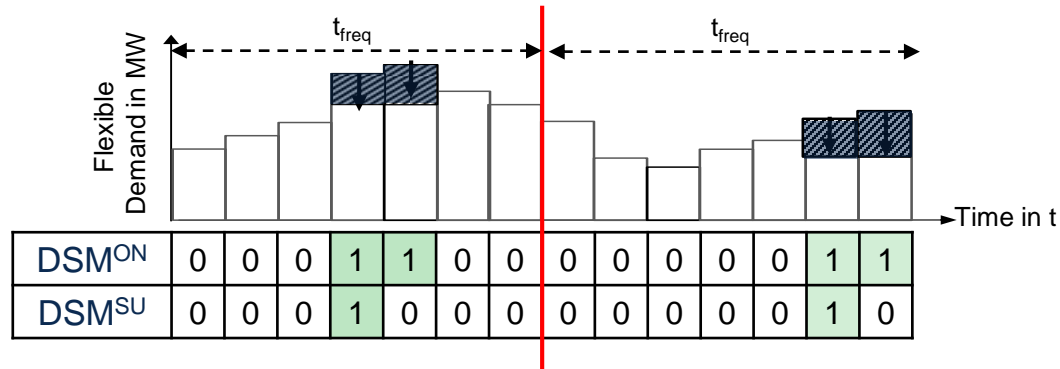
# To model Load Shifting no storage is needed



<b>Level of detail</b>	DSM-applications are clustered (profile, shifting time, ...)
<b>Shifting time, balance</b>	$\sum_t^{t+t^{bal}} DSM_{t,app}^{Down} = \sum_t^{t+t^{bal}} DSM_{t,app}^{UP}$ $t^{bal} = t^{shed} + t^{shift} + t^{up}$
<b>Maximum Amount</b>	$DSM_{t,app}^{Down} \leq dem_{t,app}^{DSM}$ $DSM_{t,app}^{UP} \leq dem_{app}^{max} - dem_{t,app}^{DSM}$



# Load shedding is modelled with binary variables



## Binary modelling:

Implementing the binary variable „online“:

$$DSM_{t,app}^{Down} \leq dem_{t,app}^{dsm} * DSM_{t,app}^{ON}; \quad DSM_{t,app}^{Down} \geq DSM_{t,app}^{ON}$$

Implementing the binary variable „Start-Up“ :

$$DSM_{t,app}^{SU} - DSM_{t,app}^{SD} = DSM_{t,app}^{ON} - DSM_{t-1,app}^{ON}$$

## Duration of interfere

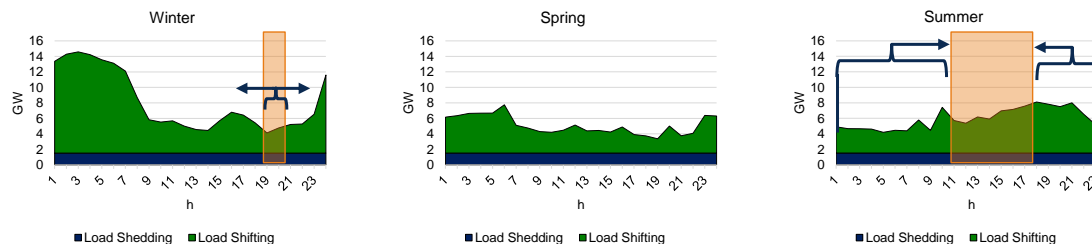
$$\sum_t^{t+t^{freq}} DSM_{t,app}^{ON} \leq t_{app}^{down}$$

## Frequency:

$$\sum_t^{t+t^{freq}} DSM_{t,app}^{SU} \leq 1$$

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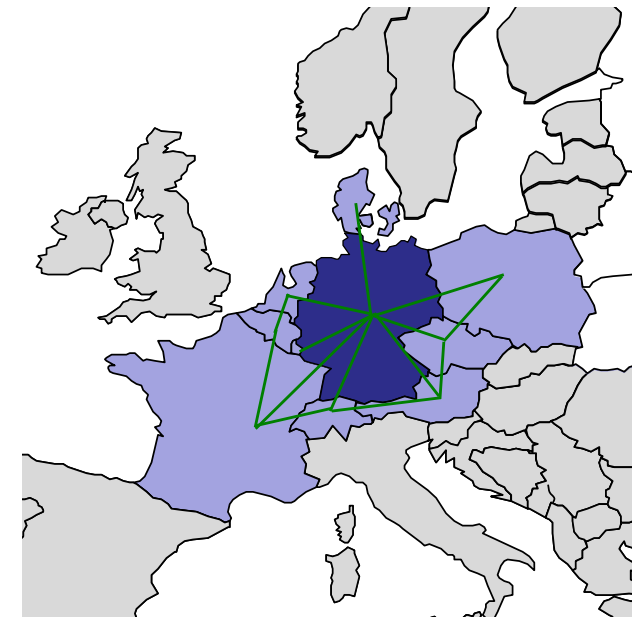
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# Scope of the Study

- Research Year: 2030
- Share of RES feed-in in Germany: ~ 60%
- Model-based analysis with ELTRAMOD
  - Bottom-up electricity market model
  - Temporal resolution of 8760 h
  - Calculation of the cost-minimal generation dispatch and commitment of DR applications
- 11 DR applications are considered:

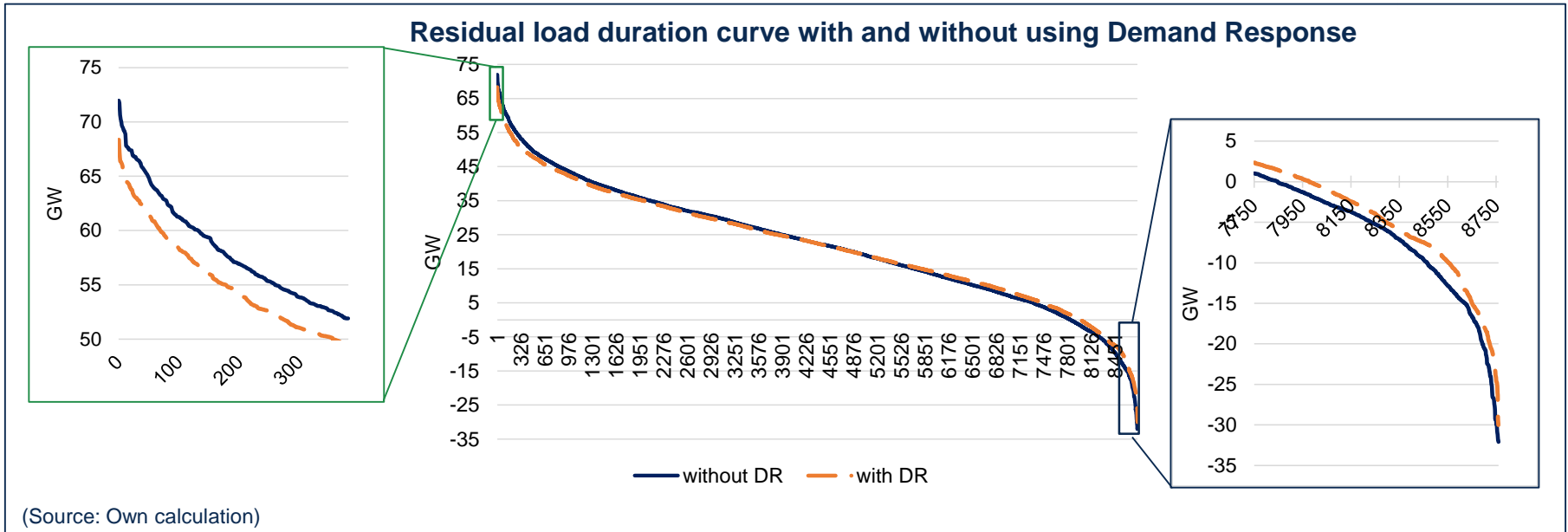
Industry Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Electrolytic Primary Aluminium</li><li>• Chloralkali Process</li><li>• Electric Arc Furnace</li><li>• Wood Pulp</li><li>• Cement Mills</li></ul>
Heat Supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Night Storage Heater</li><li>• Heat Pump</li><li>• Warm Water Heater</li></ul>
Cold Supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Air Conditioning</li><li>• Ventilation</li><li>• Cold Storage</li></ul>

## Regional Scope



- Research Area with detailed power plant portfolio
- Aggregated power plant portfolio
- Not considered
- Hourly NTC-Value

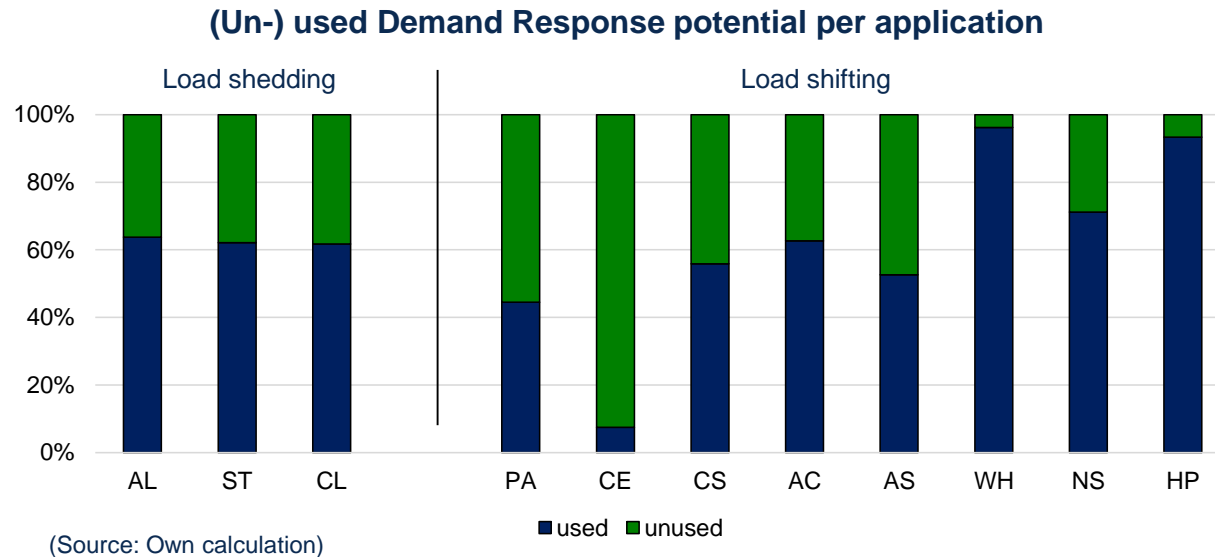
# Result (I): Demand Response commitment (slightly) flattens the residual load duration curve



		w/o DR	With DR
Load Max	[GW]	72.0	68.4
Load Min	[GW]	-32.1	-30.0
RES Surplus	[GWh]	733	140
Hours with RES surplus		913	782

- The maximum load peak decreases and the minimum increases
  - Changes of maximum load peak are more considerable
  - DR commitment leads to less RES surplus
- **The entire RES surplus cannot be compensated completely by DR commitment**

# Result (II): The available Demand Response potential is not completely exploited



- The exploitation of the DR potential varies between the applications
  - The characteristics of each application (temporal availability, shedding and shifting time, ...) strongly effects the usable DR potential
- **It is not cost-efficient to exploit the entire DR-potential from a system perspective but to focus on selected applications**

## **Demand Response supports the integration of RES into the electricity system**

- Reduces the need for back-up capacity by minimizing maximum load
- Increases the utilization of RES plants

## **Demand Response commitment is strongly restricted by the temporal availability and characteristics of the underlying applications**

- DR potential is overestimated when only cumulated numbers are considered
- (Full) DR potential is not necessarily available when needed
- Total available DR potential is not exploited completely, because it is not always needed when available and due to technical restrictions

# Thank you!

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