



# **Aggregation of Temporal Representation of High-Resolution, Fundamental Flow-based Market Coupling Input Data to Identify Typical Market Scenarios**



## **A Systematic Evaluation and Selection of Relevant Cluster Algorithms**

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# Agenda

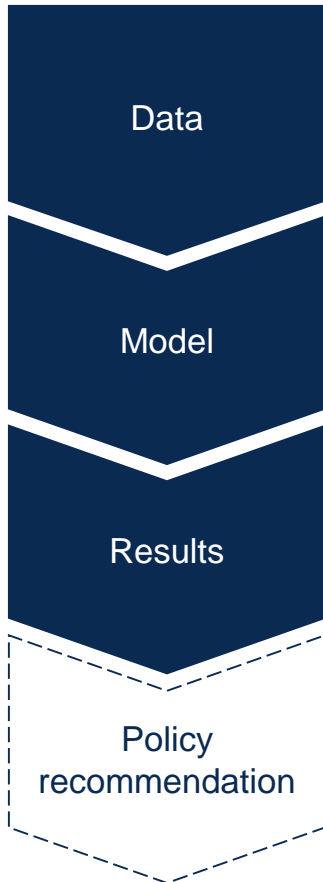
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# Setting the scene

## (Abstract) process chain of transparent, model-based, quantitative studies



- Selection of required parameters, e.g. fluctuating system elements
- Due to computational limits selection of representative data
  - key issue: adequate representation of spatial and temporal variability

- Data-driven, fundamental, cost-optimizing modeling of system variables

- Optimal investment in generation and transmission capacity

- Interpretation of results for derivation of policy recommendations

Focus of Master's thesis

### What if the recommendations are based on low-quality, imprecise model results?

- Underrepresentation of variability → Overestimation of role of renewable energy
- Underestimation of system integration cost

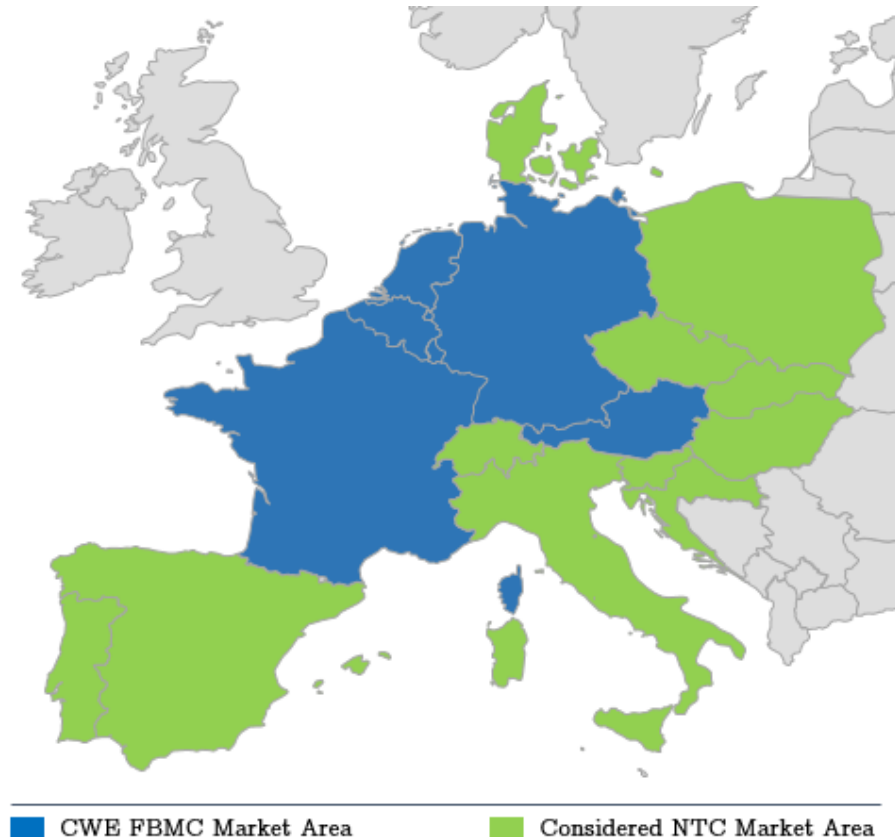
# Setting the scene

## Research objectives

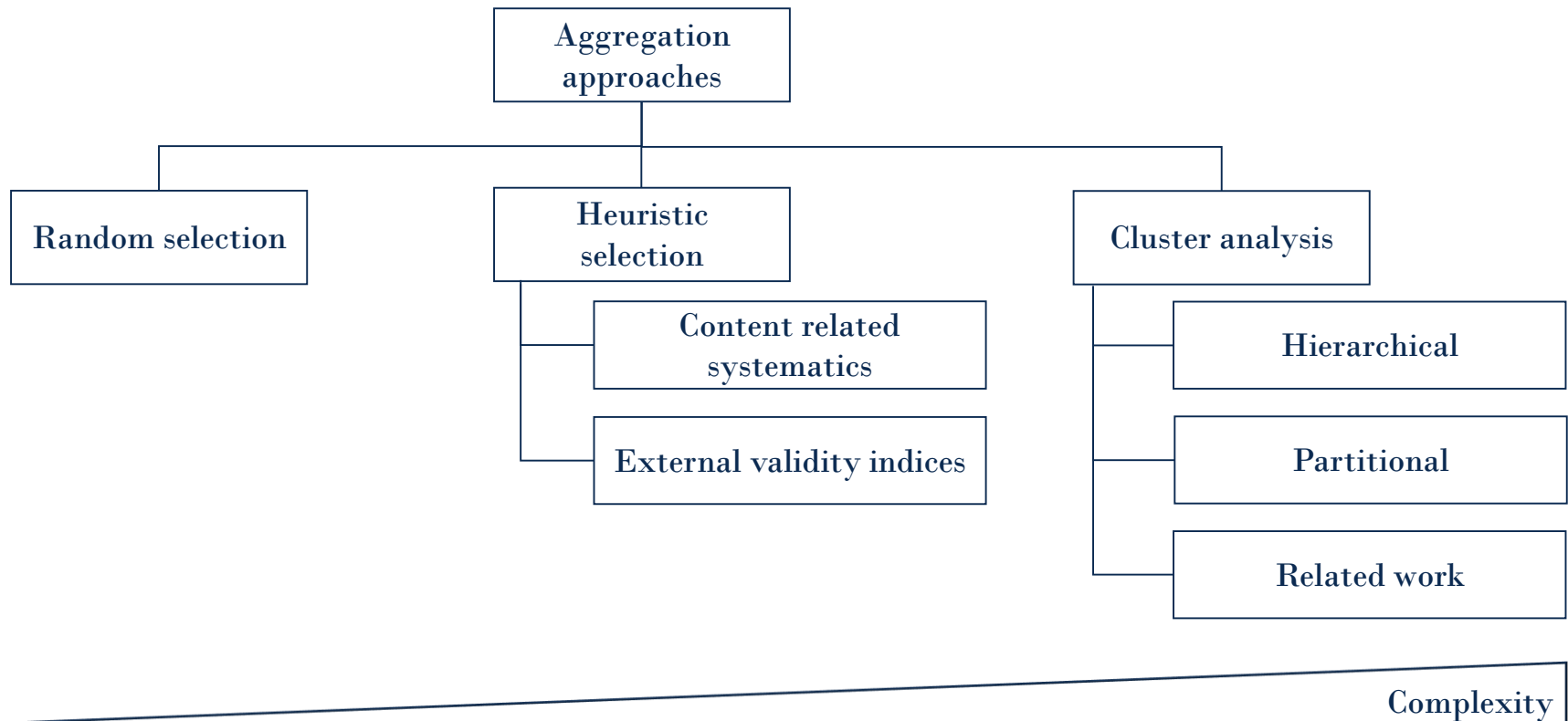
- Identification of a minimal, yet representative set of market situations in the CWE electricity markets in 2016
- Systematic evaluation of the impact of aggregation techniques on market situations and on model outcome

## Key problem: aggregating intra-annual time resolution of fundamental market data

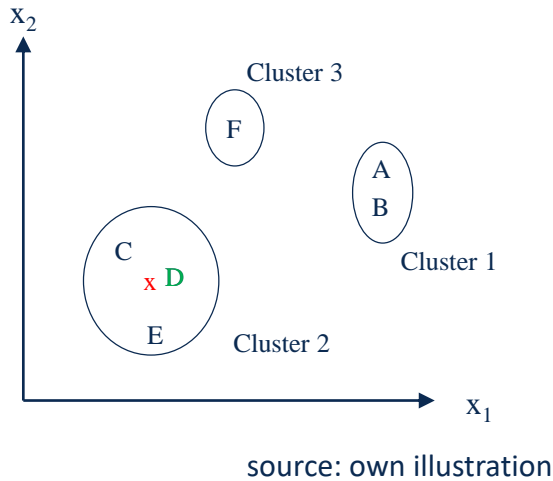
- Capturing temporal and spatial variability of load and variable renewable generation (VRES) patterns



## Relevant aggregation approaches



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## Iterative Procedure

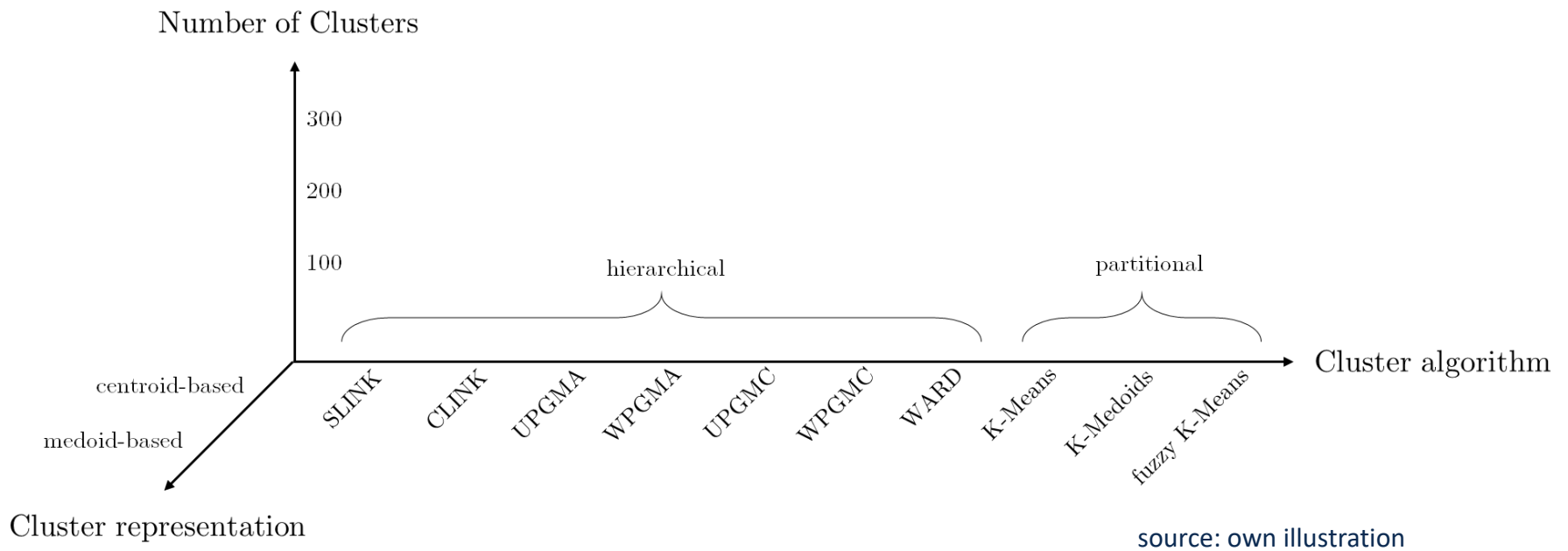
- Six observations:  $\{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$
- Logical final cluster partitioning
  - $C1 = \{A, B\}$
  - $C2 = \{C, D, E\}$
  - $C3 = \{F\}$

## Cluster representation

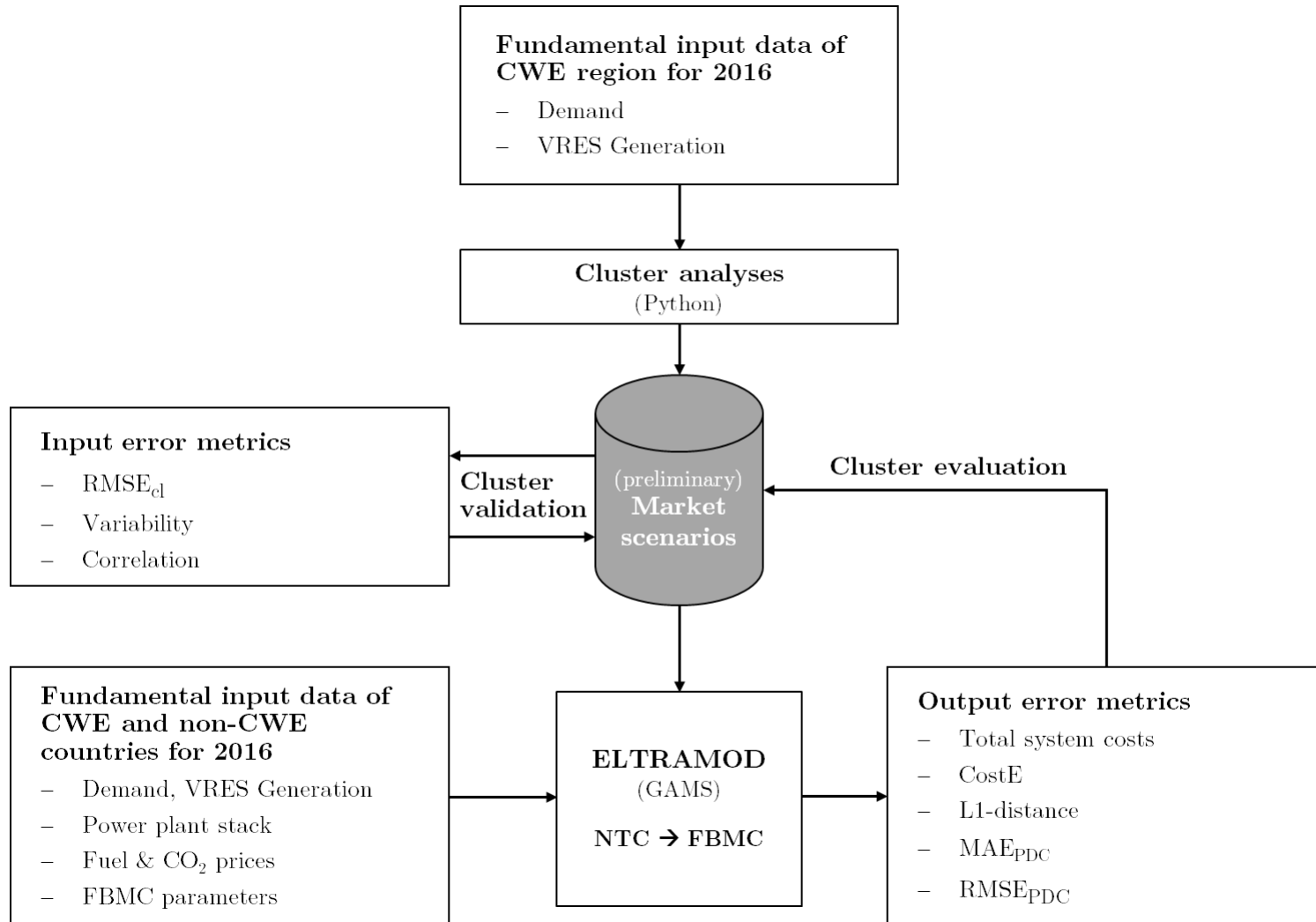
- Centroid: **x**
- Medoid: **D**

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## 3-dimensional scenario space: 260 scenarios



# Methodology III - Overview



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## Cluster dimensions

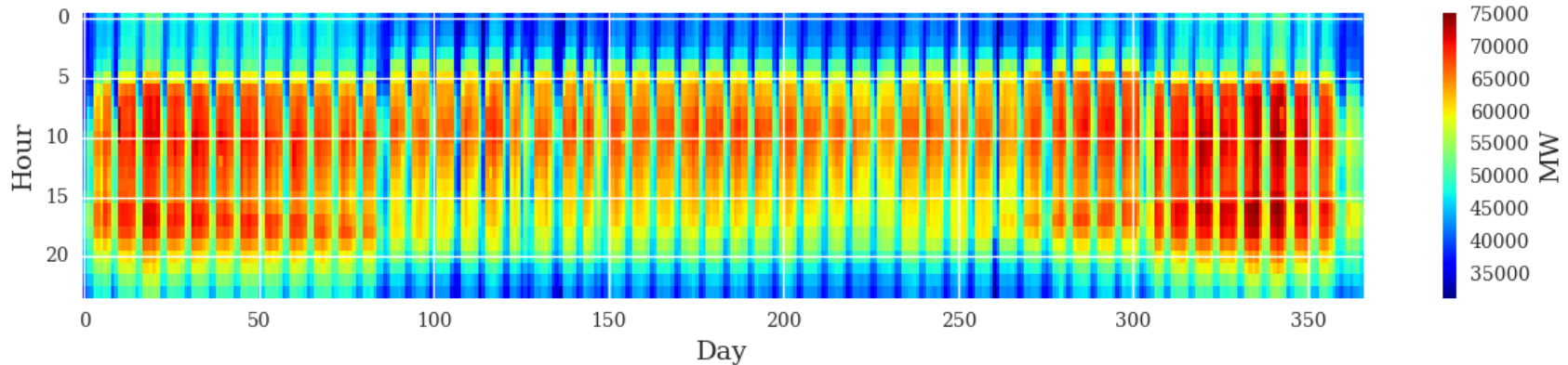
- Most efficient cluster algorithms achieve similar performance
  - WARD (hierarchical algorithm)
  - K-Means (partitional algorithm)
- Ambiguous results regarding cluster representation
  - Centroid-based representatives closer resemble original data
  - Medoid-based representatives capture greater deal of temporal and spatial variability
- Number of clusters
  - Research objective comprises adverse requirements → minimal in number vs. representativeness of set of scenarios
  - K = 15 based on K-Means
  - K = 20 based on WARD

## → Facilitation of reduction to 4 salient cluster scenarios

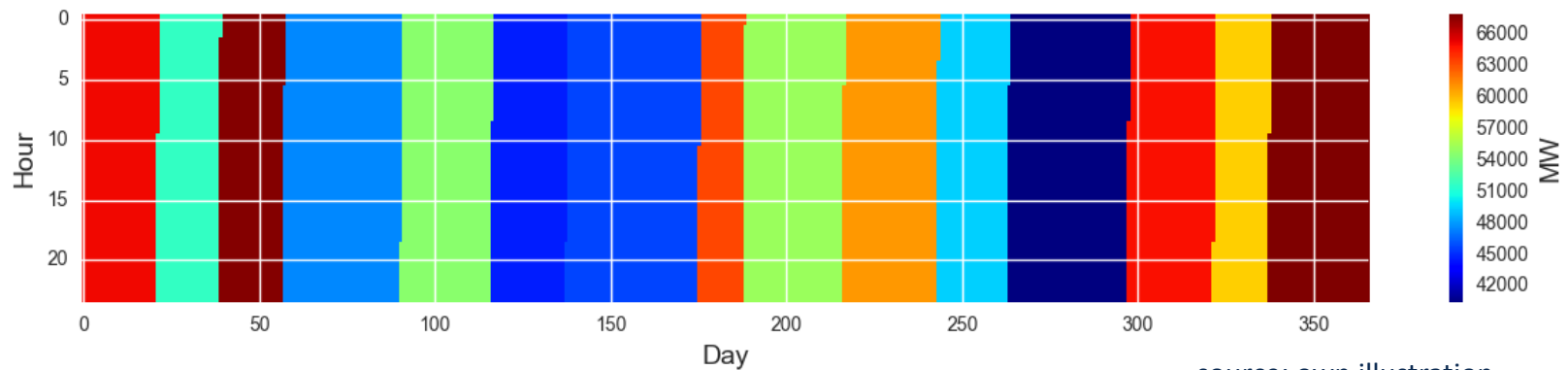
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- } for both centroid- and medoid-based representation

# Example of representative market situations

Original load time series in DE



Result: 15 clustered load situations in DE based on K-Means (medoids)



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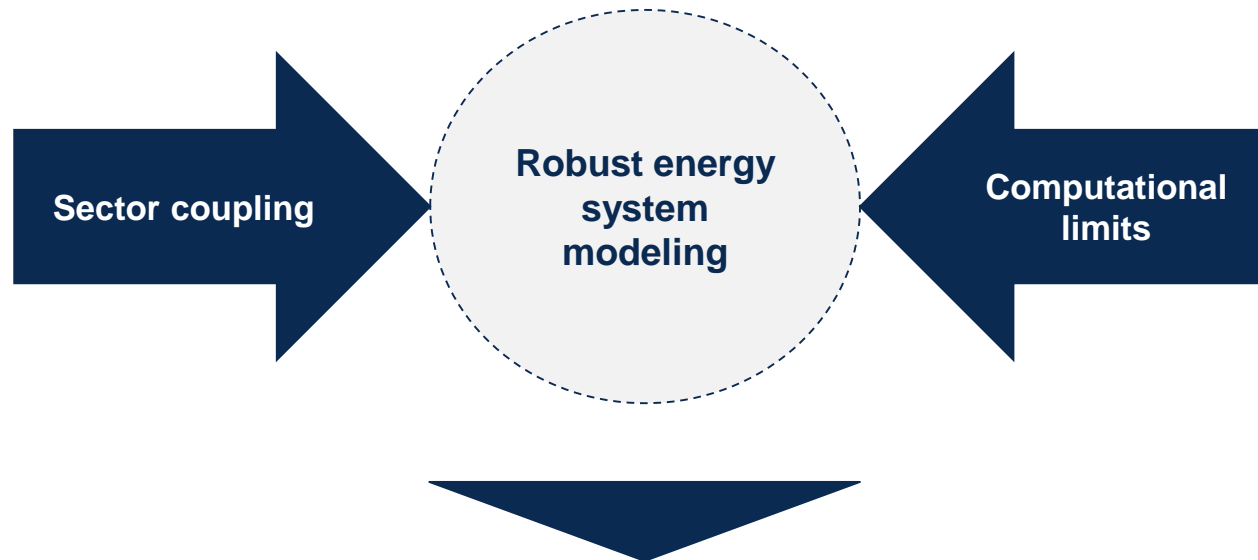
## Conclusion

- Contribution in terms of comparison of large number of configurations of cluster analyses, thus empirically derived findings
- Provides holistic aggregation approach for deriving and selecting typical market situations in energy system modeling

## Shortcomings

- Disruption of diurnal structures are inherited to representative market scenarios
  - Inadequate consideration of intertemporal constraints
- Order of representative hours remains unclear
- Output error metrics highly dependent on shortcomings of applied modeling framework
  - Methodological simplifications on technological resolution
  - Structural congestion and generation curtailment

- **Refinement, extension and elimination of shortcomings of developed approach**
  - Adequate aggregation unit (entire days comprising multiple hourly or multi-hourly time-slices)
  - Determination of order of representative market situations
  - Clustering of all time-dependent data



- **Reduction of temporal resolution of input data is inevitable in the context of sector coupling**
  - Key issue: consideration of variability of fluctuating system elements
  - underestimation of variability can lead to tremendous distortions of model results

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