

# Masterthesis

„Validation of pv battery systems as a basis  
for further simulation of electric vehicles.“



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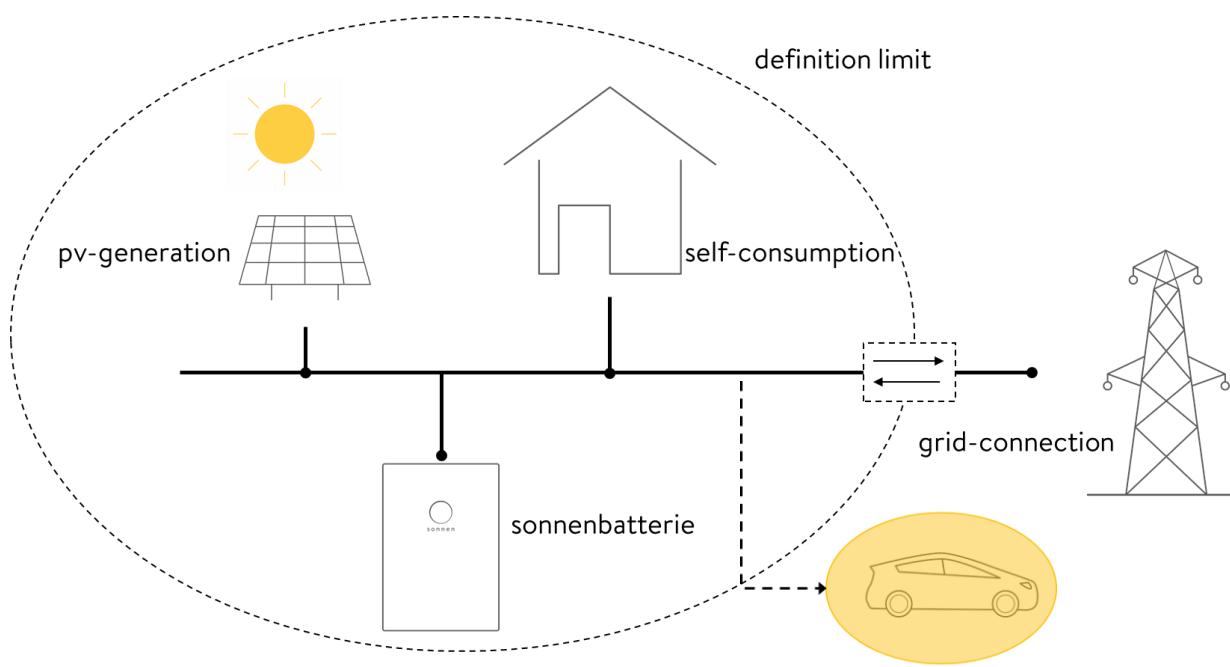
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# What is the global goal of the masterthesis?

- A rational statement about the optimal integration of electromobility into a decentralized energy system.

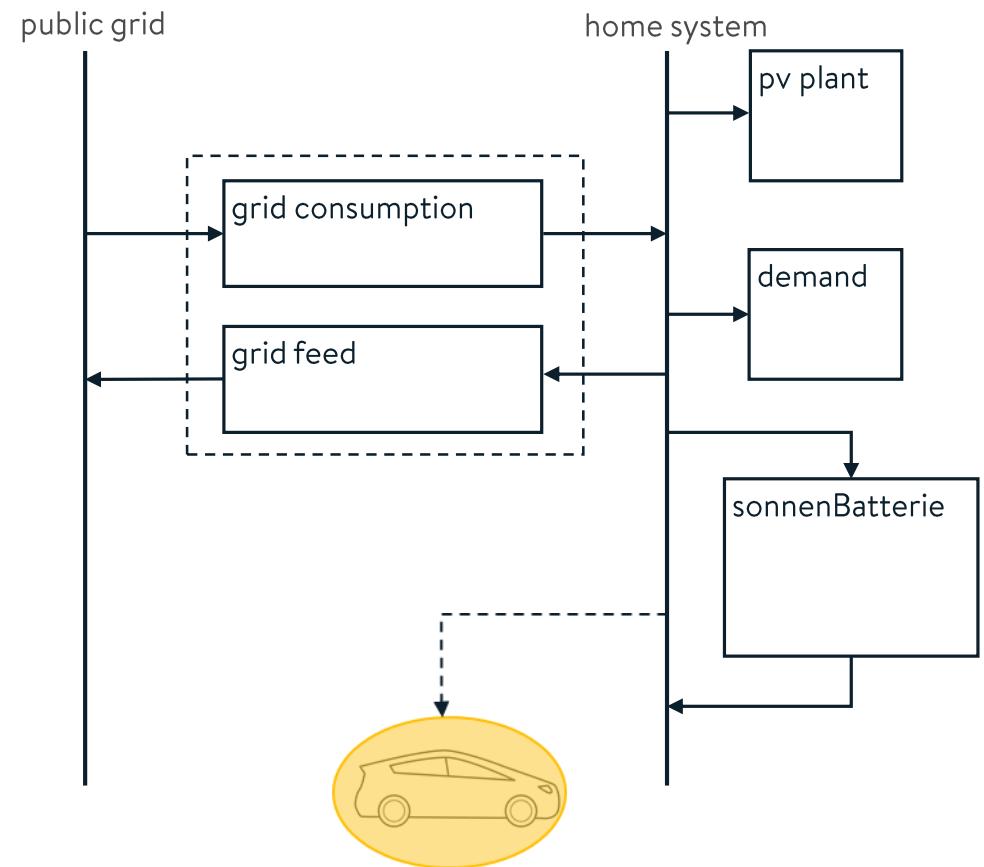
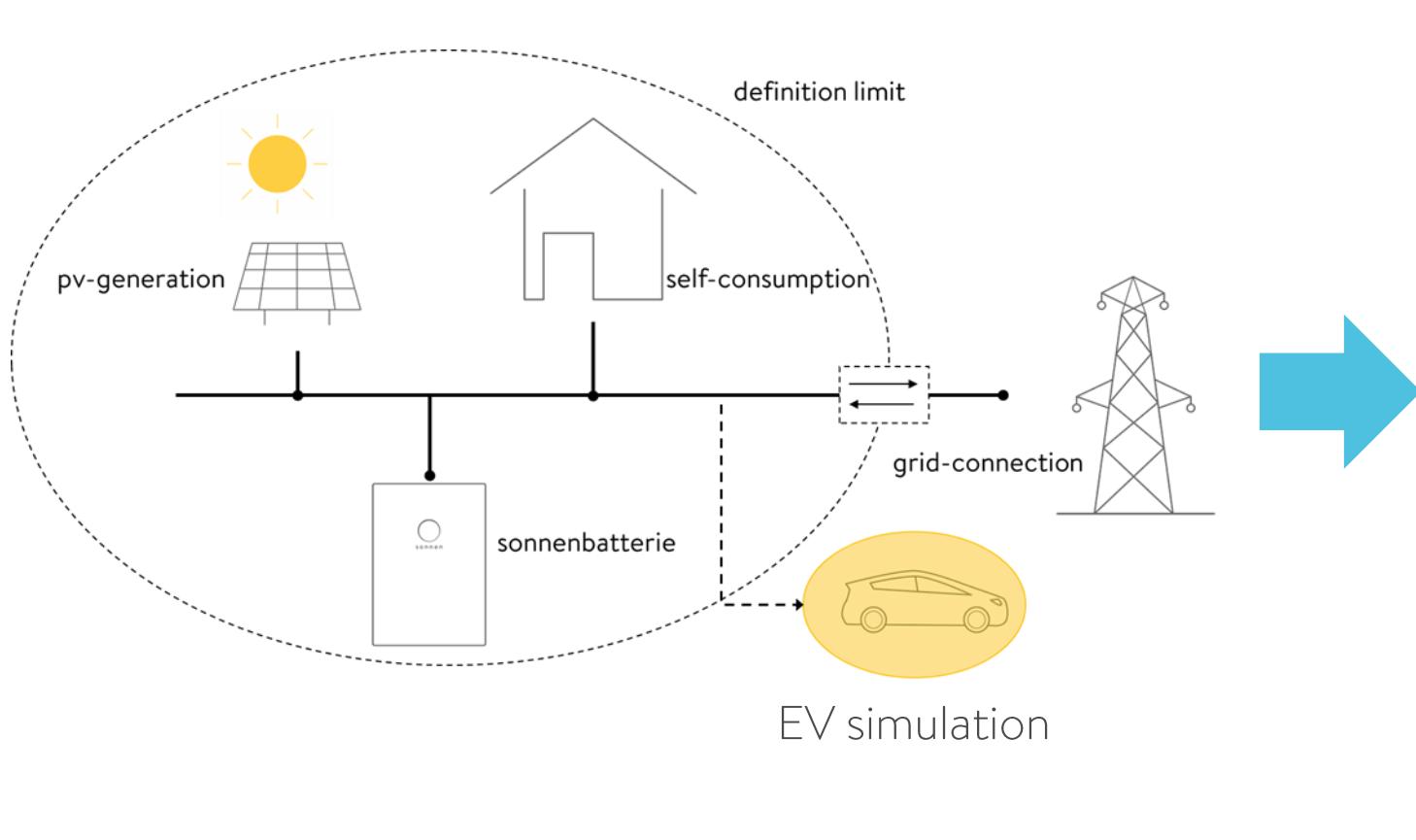
This leads to the central research question:

„How can an electric vehicle (EV) be optimally integrated into a PV battery system?“



# How can this question be answered?

- Modelling of a self-consumption optimized PV battery system



# But what is exactly optimized?

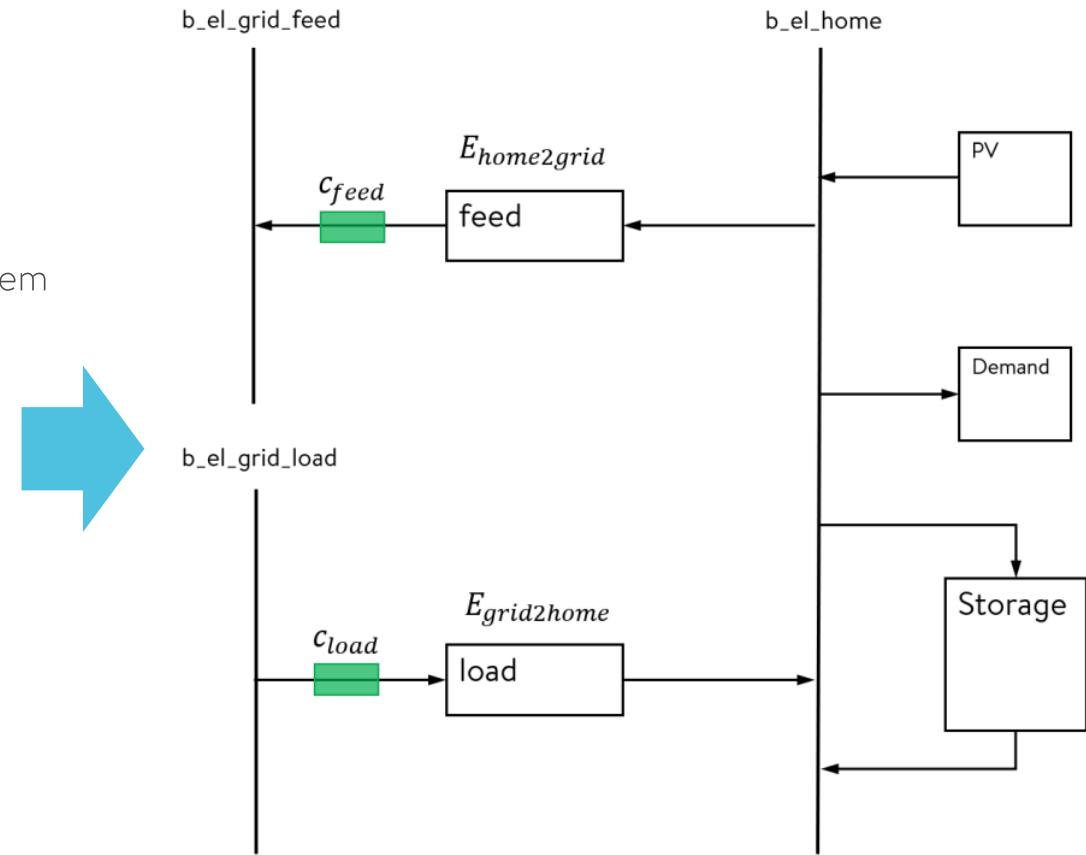
The optimal solution to a problem is equivalent to the minimum/maximum of an objective function.

OEMOF  
„Open Energy Modeling Framework“

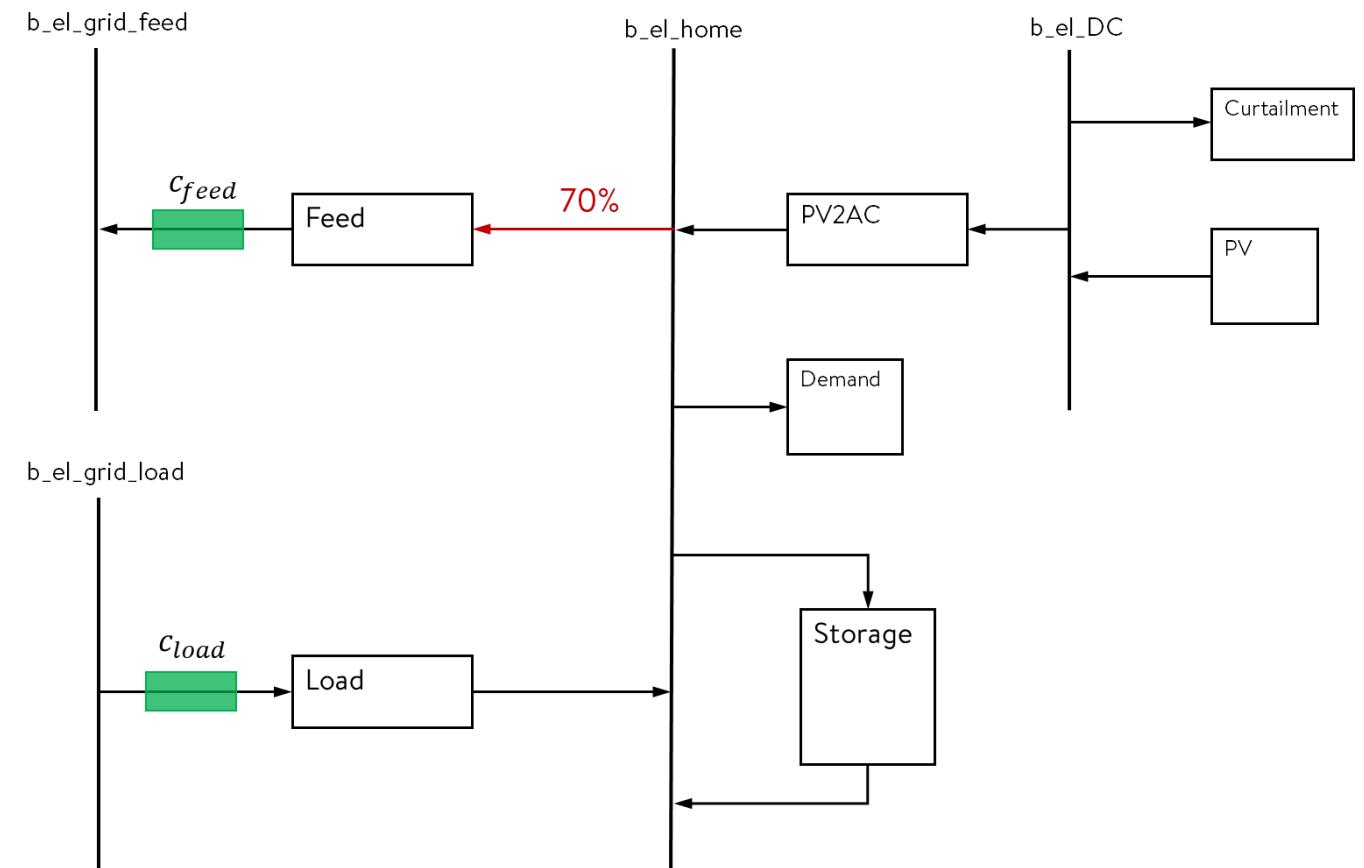
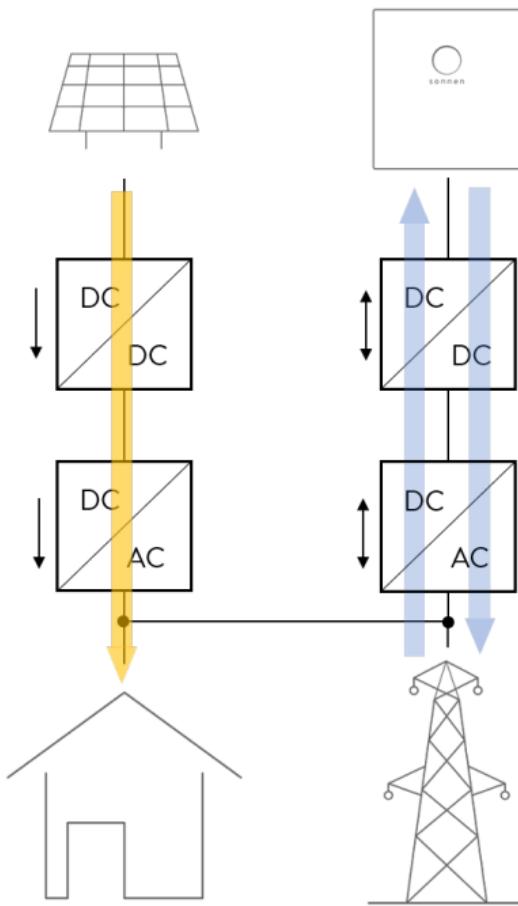
provides the following objective function in respect to the defined problem

$$K = \min \left( \sum_{n=0}^N c_{\text{feed}} \cdot E_{\text{home2grid}} + c_{\text{load}} \cdot E_{\text{grid2home}} \right)$$

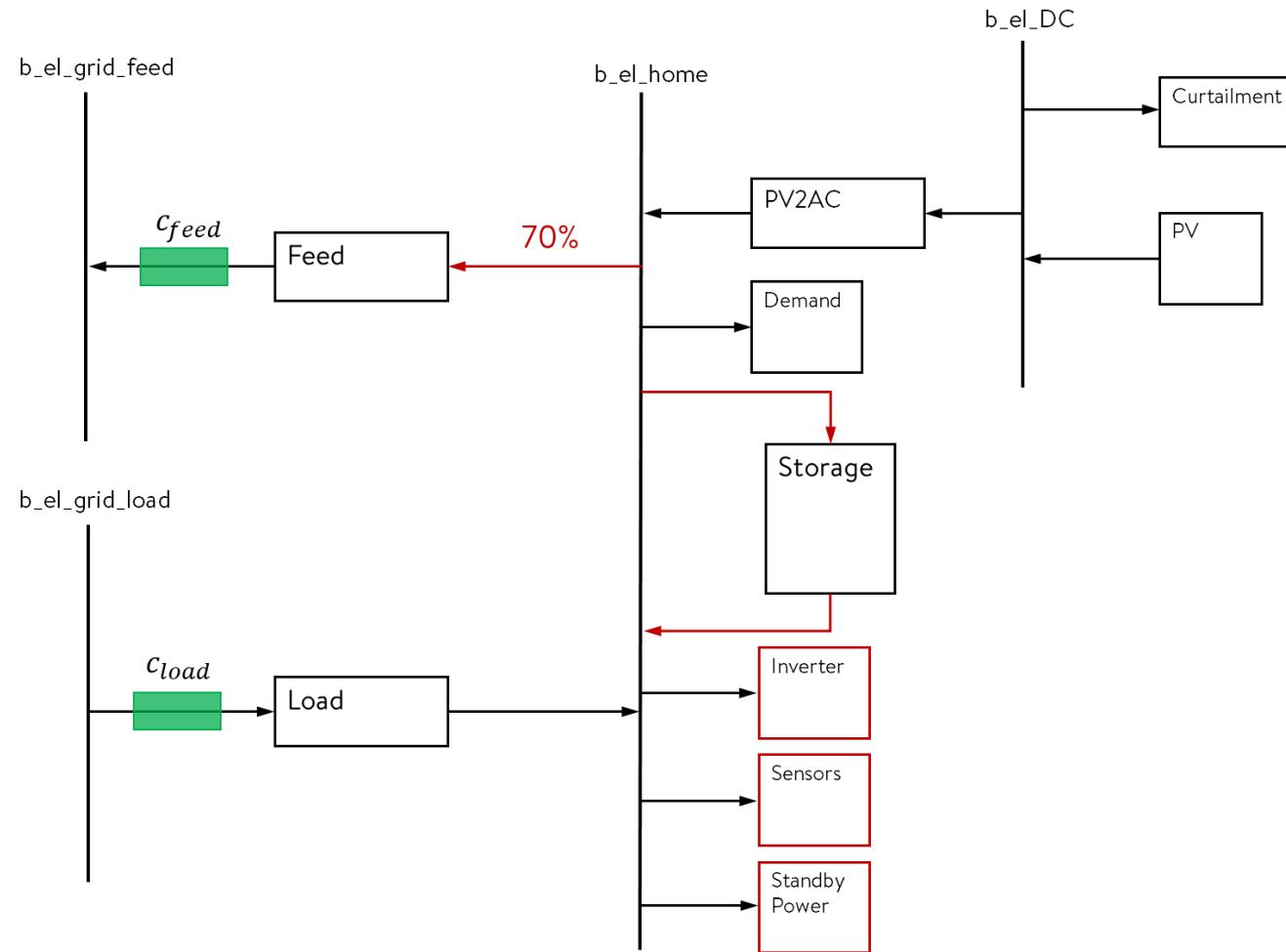
$c_{\text{feed}}$        $c_{\text{load}}$



The ideal modeling according to the AC topology:



... and the modeling of losses according to the efficiency guideline.

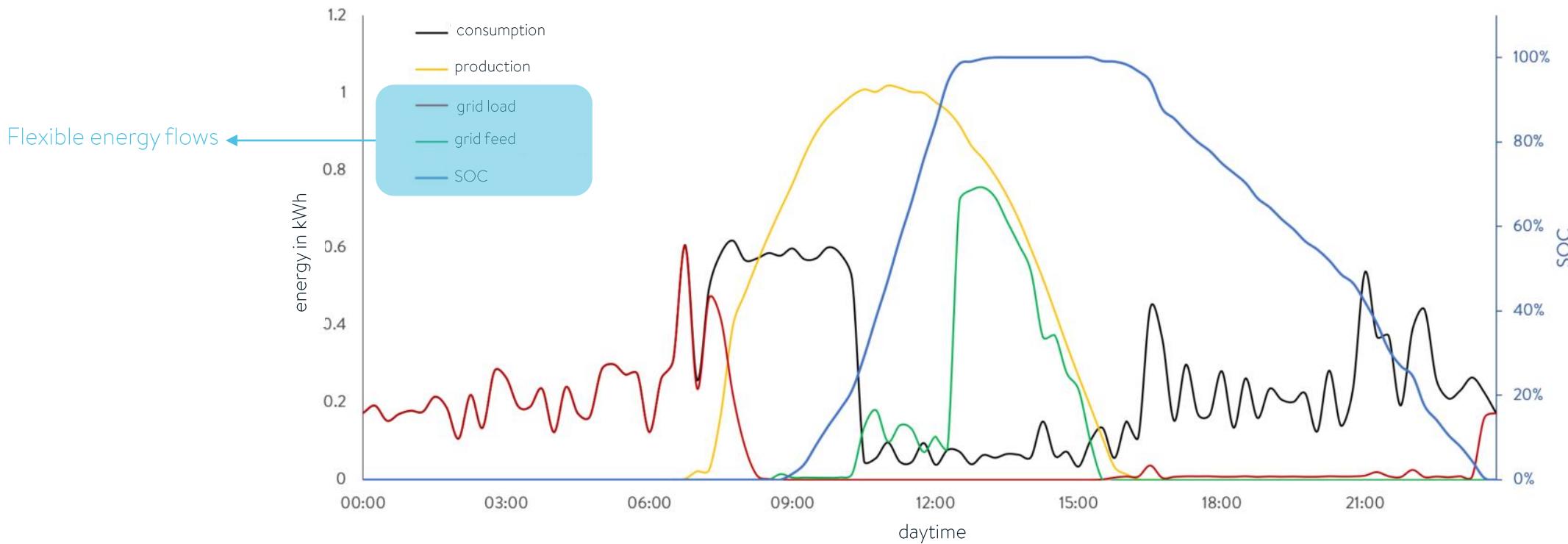


# Synergy: Reality vs. Modeling

- Can the modeling be used to simulate the behavior of a real self-consumption optimized pv battery system?

A daily control:

Real behaviour time series of a pv sonnenBatterie system



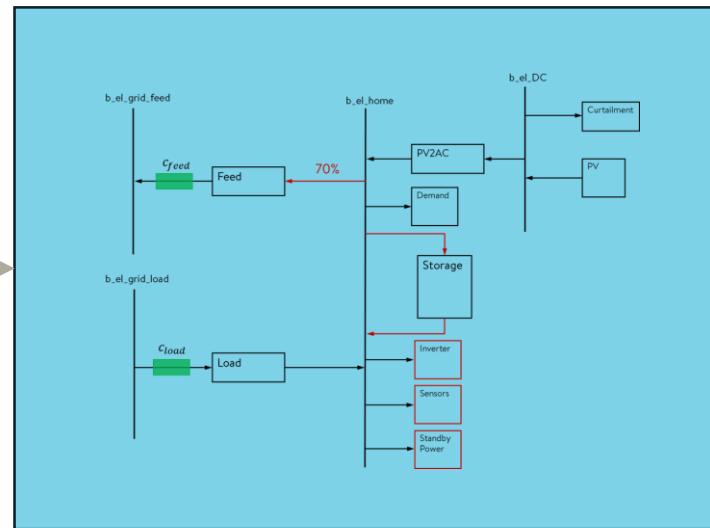
To simulate the daily control:

- Reproduction of the flexible energy flows
- Time discretization: 15-minute intervals

### INPUT

- Timeseries pv-generation
- Timeseries demand

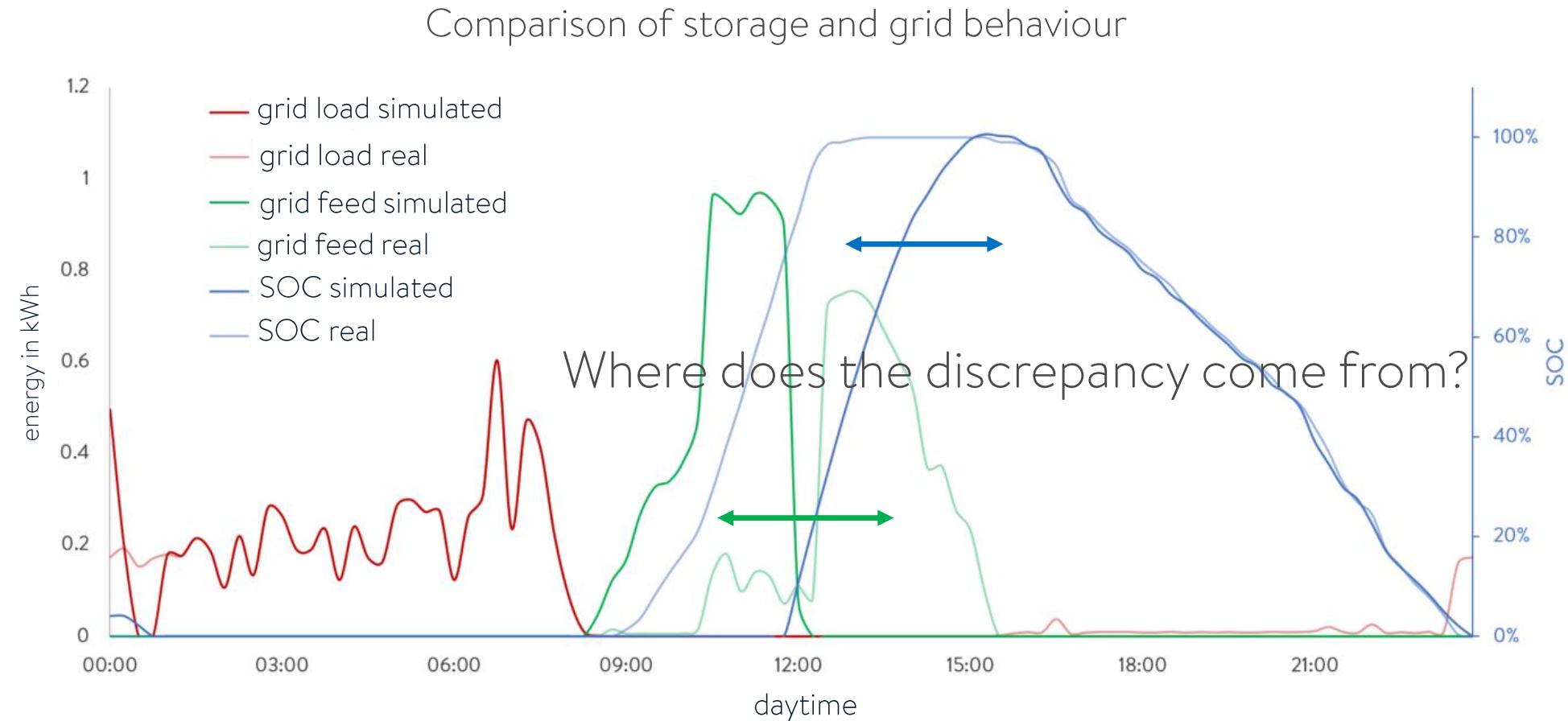
### SIMULATION MODEL



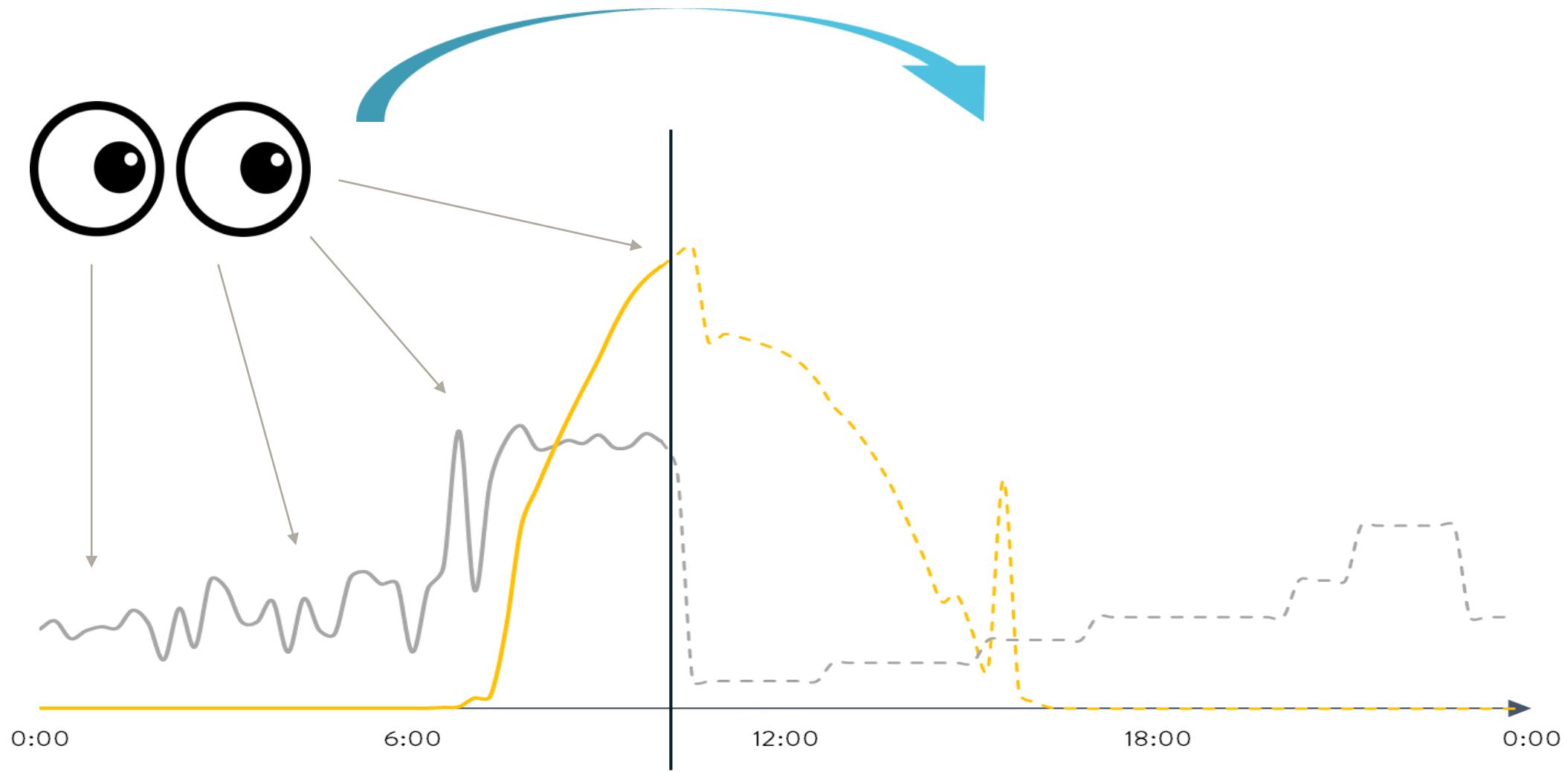
### OUTPUT

- Storage behaviour
- Energy exchange with the grid

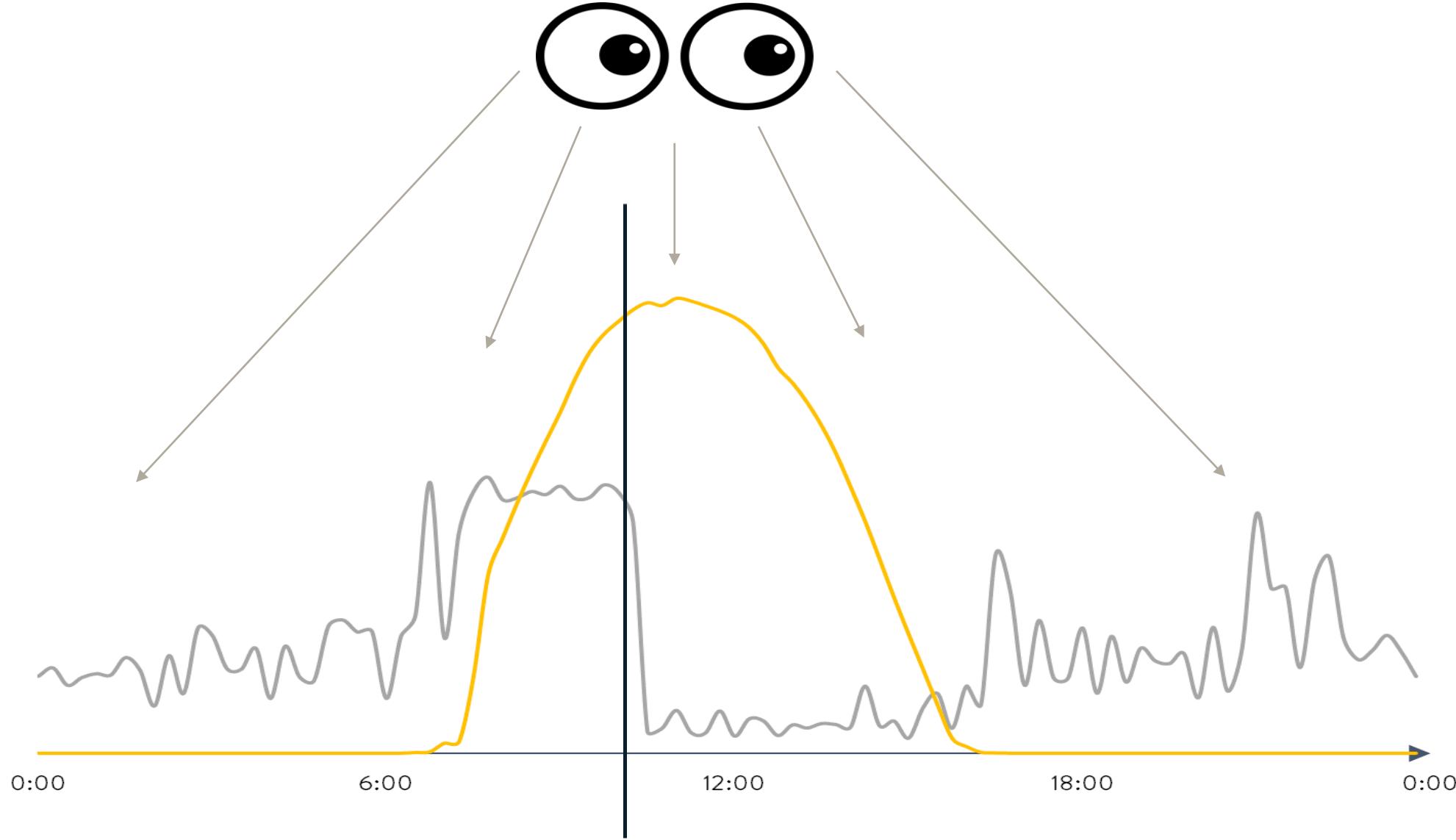
# Synergy: Reality vs. Modeling



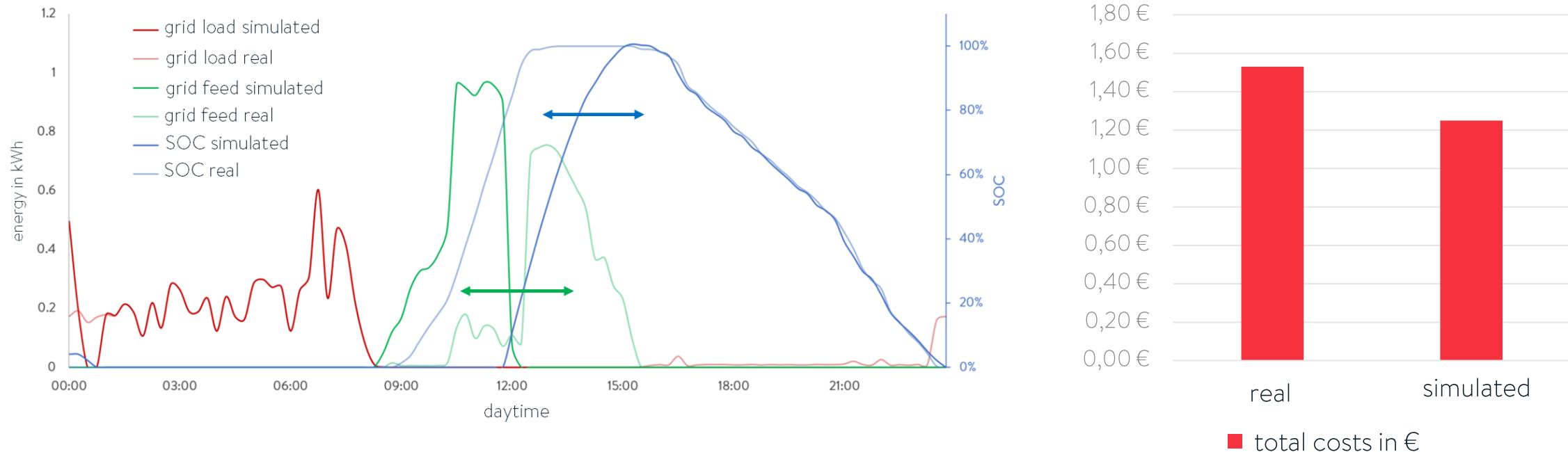
# Prediction of the sonnenBatterie



The perfect foresight of the optimizer



# What does that mean?



- discrepancy as a result of the perfect foresight
- sonnenBatterie uses defensive load strategy due to prediction faults
- the optimizer knows at any timestep the future demand/generation
- the simulations results should be interpreted as the optimal solution, which causes the lowest cost
- in reality, this solution can only be approximated

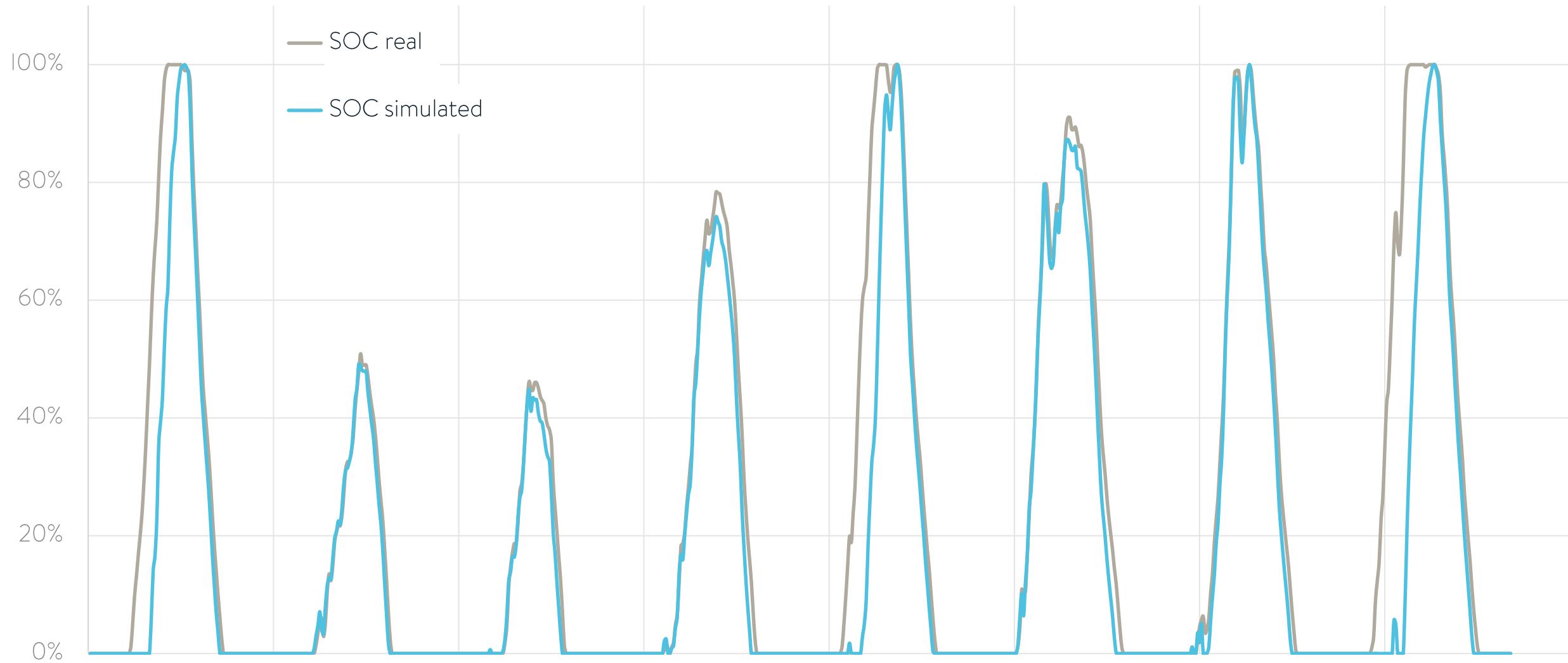
## A short summary:

- The modeling reproduces the behaviour of a self-consumption optimized pv battery system
  - There are temporal discrepancies to reality due to the perfect foresight problem
- To integrate electric vehicles in the simulation of pv battery systems a detailed validation makes the results more reliable

A weekly control of the storage behaviour...

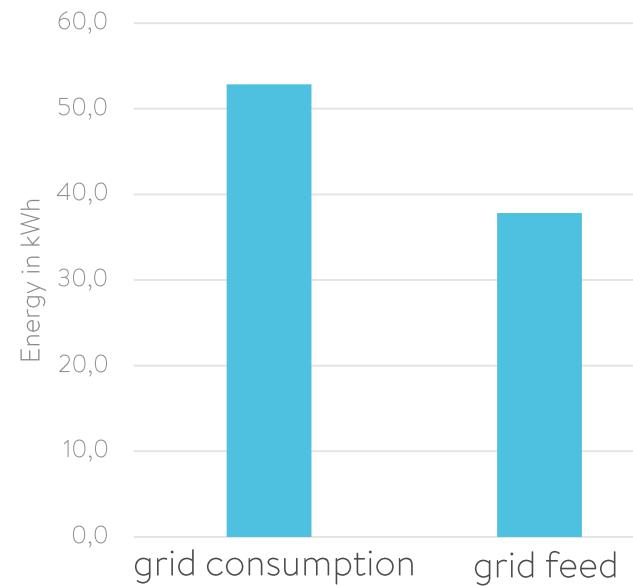
# storage behaviour

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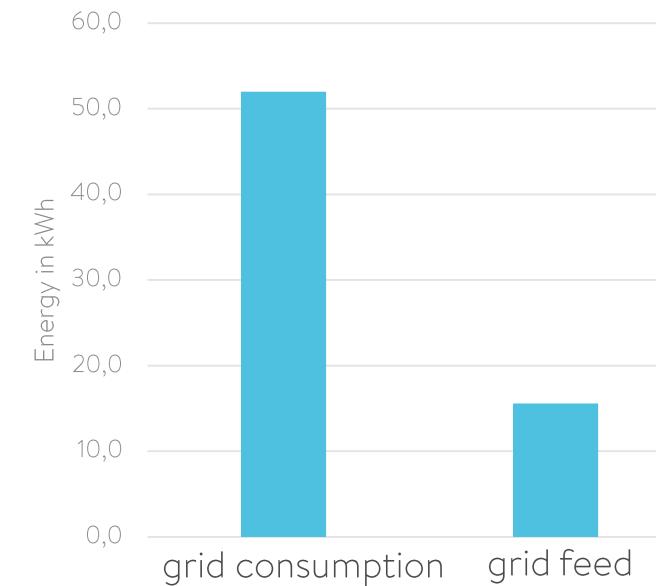


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simulation



real



total costs

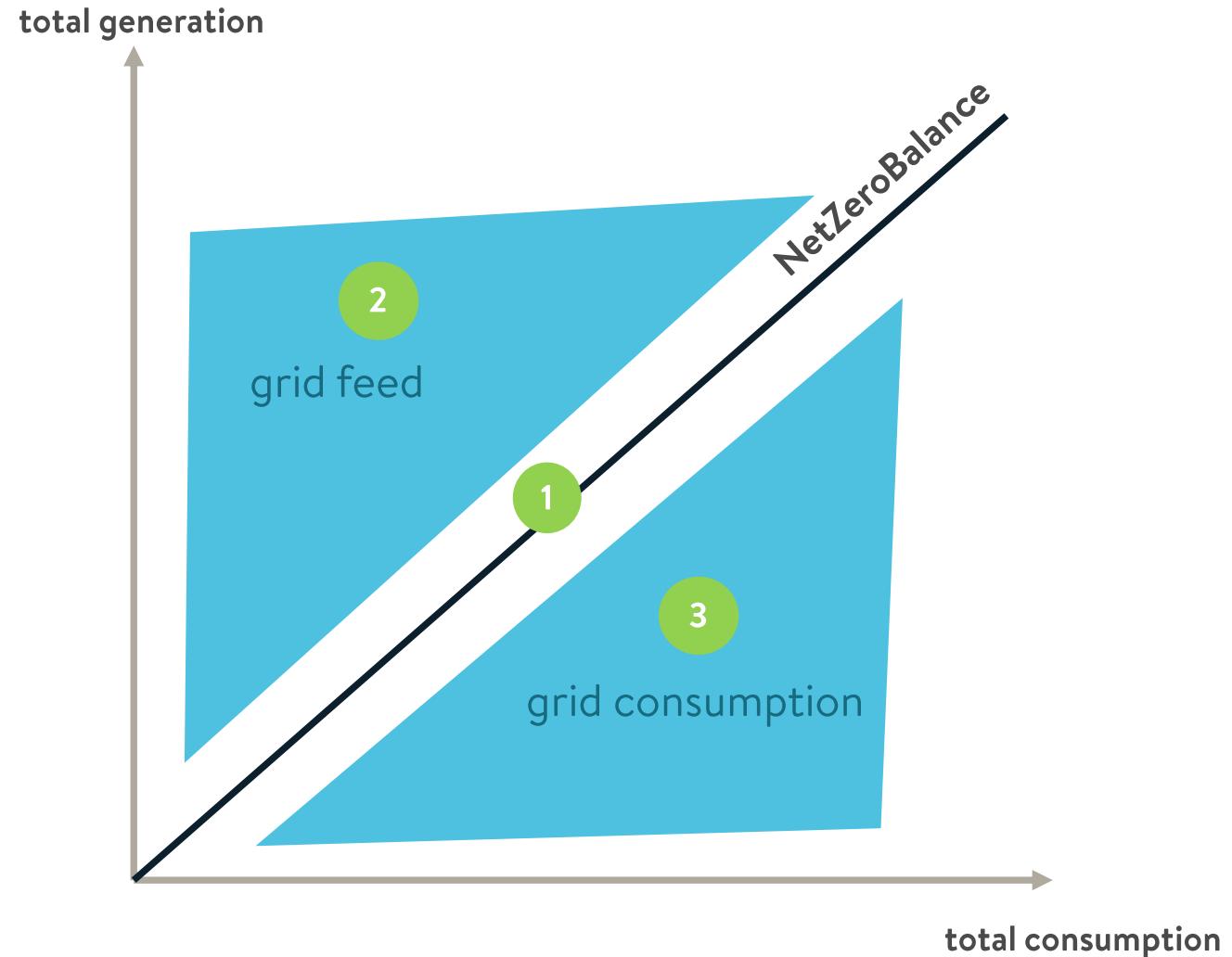
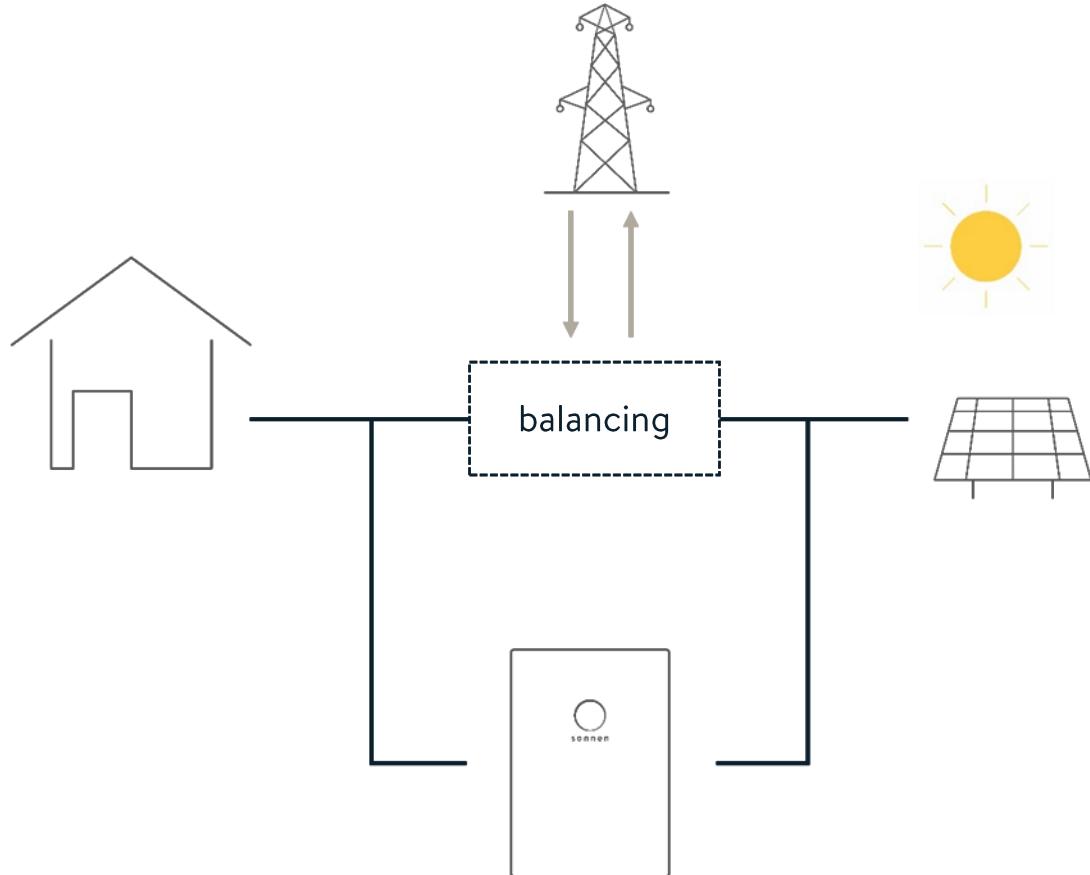


# An annual control of the system behaviour...

- An annual timeseries analysis becomes too confusing  
→ another visualisation is necessary

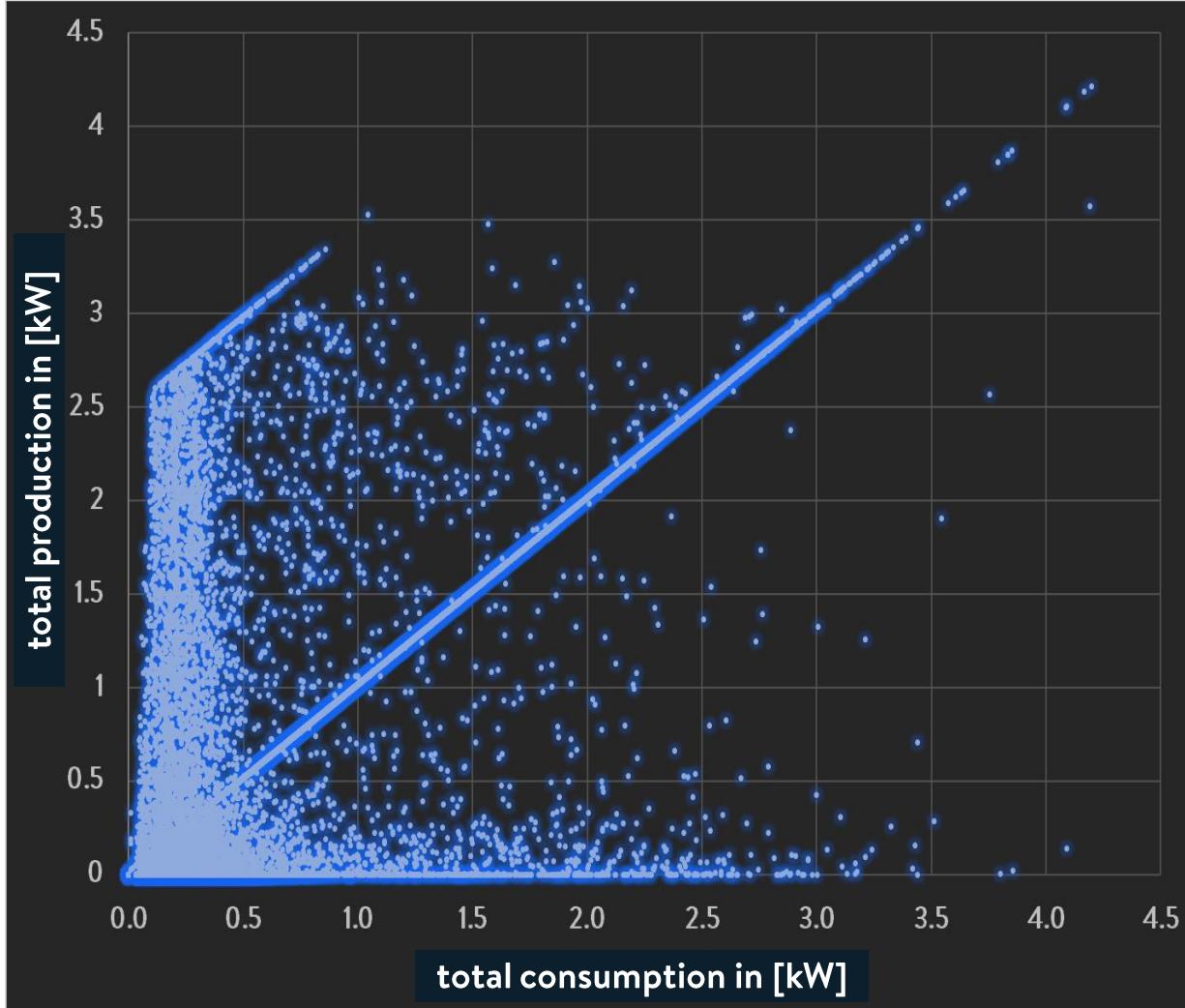
# Visualisation using the NetZeroBalance [2]

- Illustration of every 15-minute energy flow situation with one data point

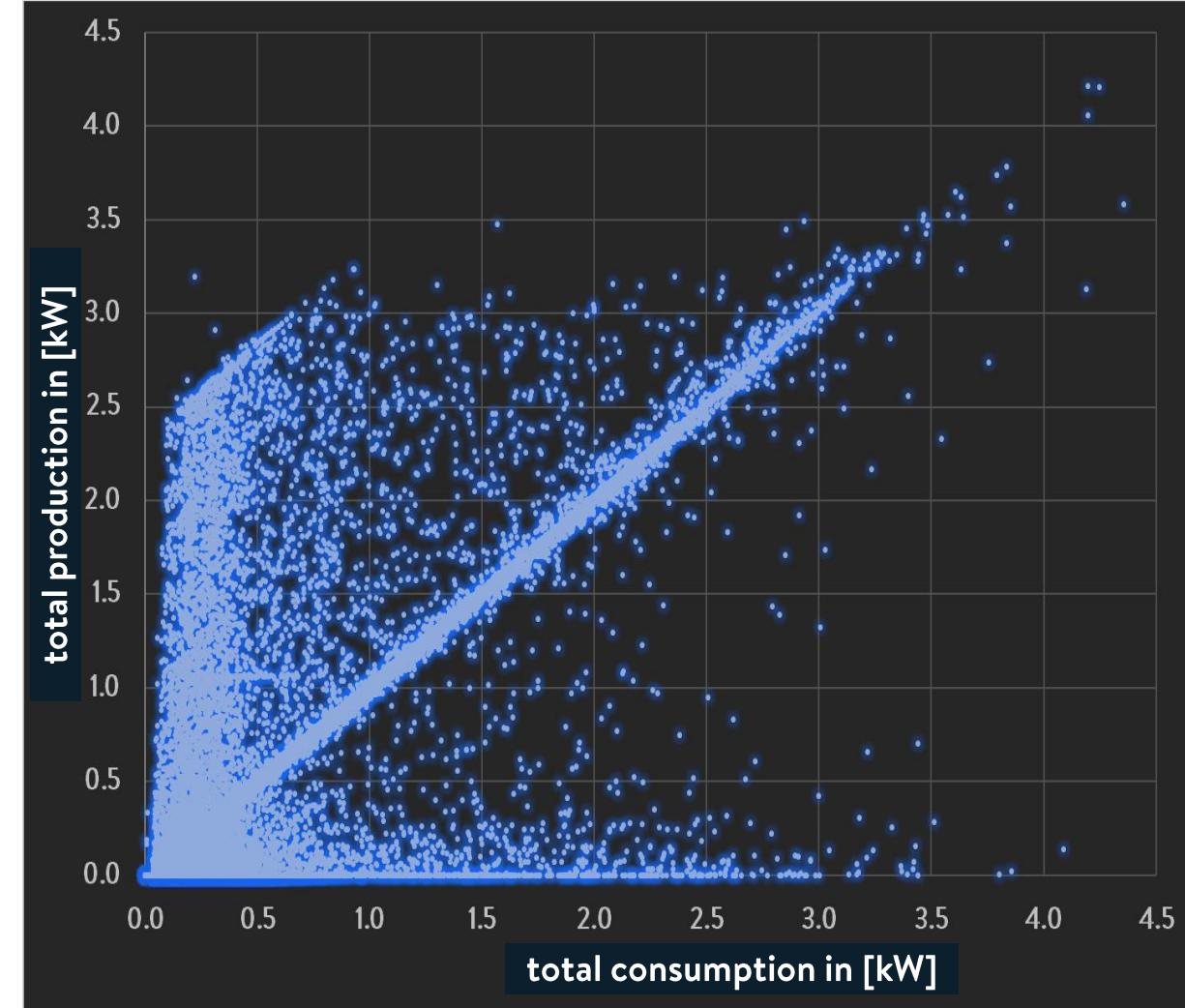


# NetZeroBalance

simulation



real



## A short summary

Adequate reproduction of the system behaviour of a pv battery system over 1 year



**BUT:** No validation method to compare different dimensioned pv battery systems

→ coefficient searched!

## technical coefficients

- technical coefficients only balancing a part of the systems losses
- grade of autharky **not suitable** – depends on battery size
- grade of own consumption **not suitable** – depends on size of pv plant

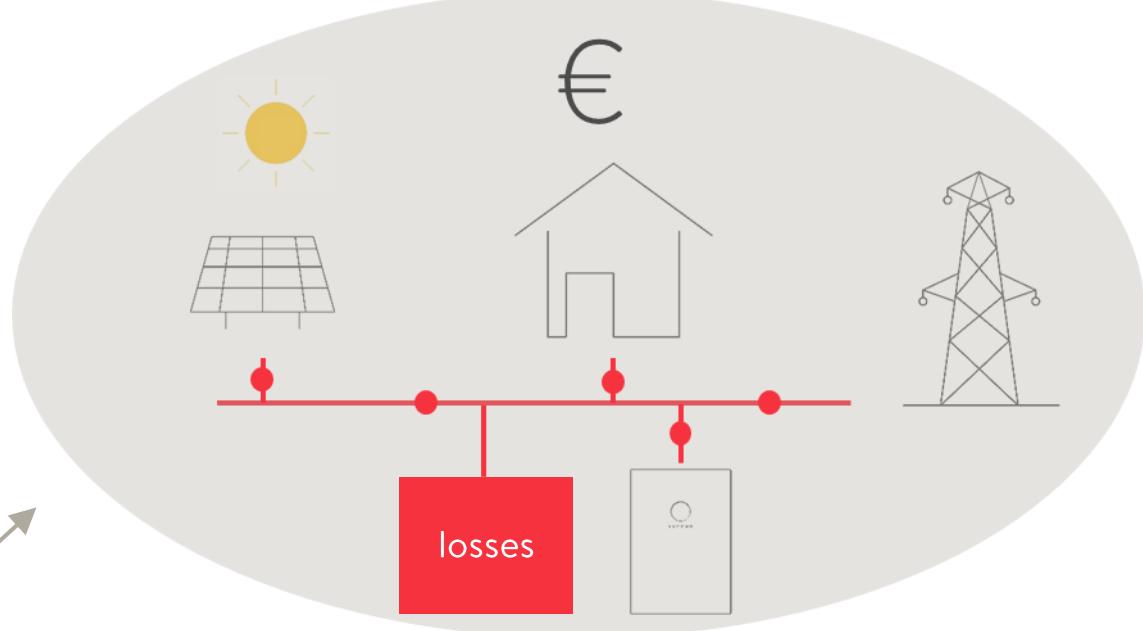
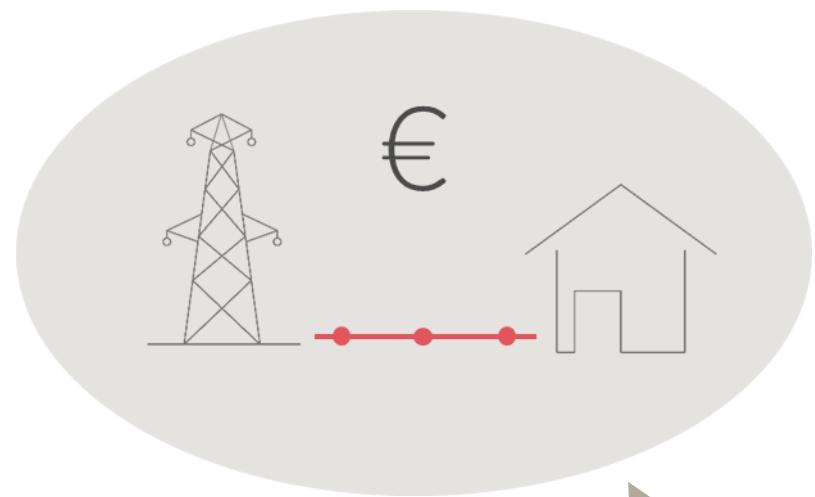
## economic coefficients

- evaluate energy flows monetary in terms of costs
- independent of dimensioning
- with the correct choice of the definition limit, all losses are taken into account

$$\epsilon = kWh \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{kWh}$$

→ the standardized economic coefficient for pv battery systems of the HTW-Berlin: SPI (System Performance Index)

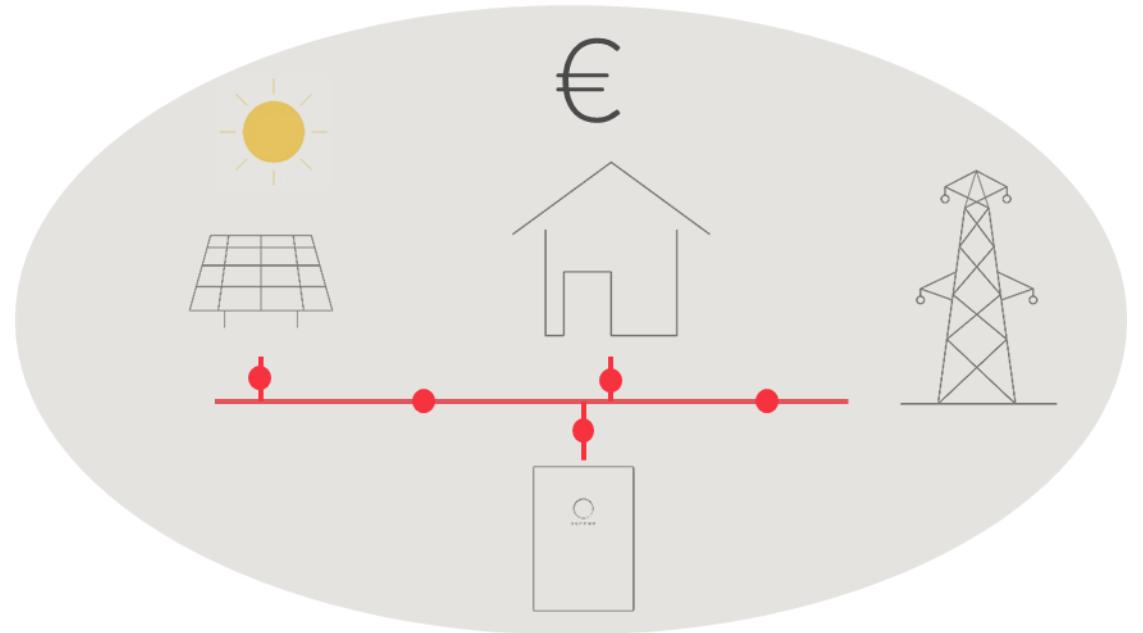
# SPI – System Performance Index ? [1]



$$SPI = \frac{\Delta C_{REAL}}{\Delta C_{IDEAL}} = \frac{C_{REF} - C_{REAL}}{C_{REF} - C_{IDEAL}}$$

ideal savings

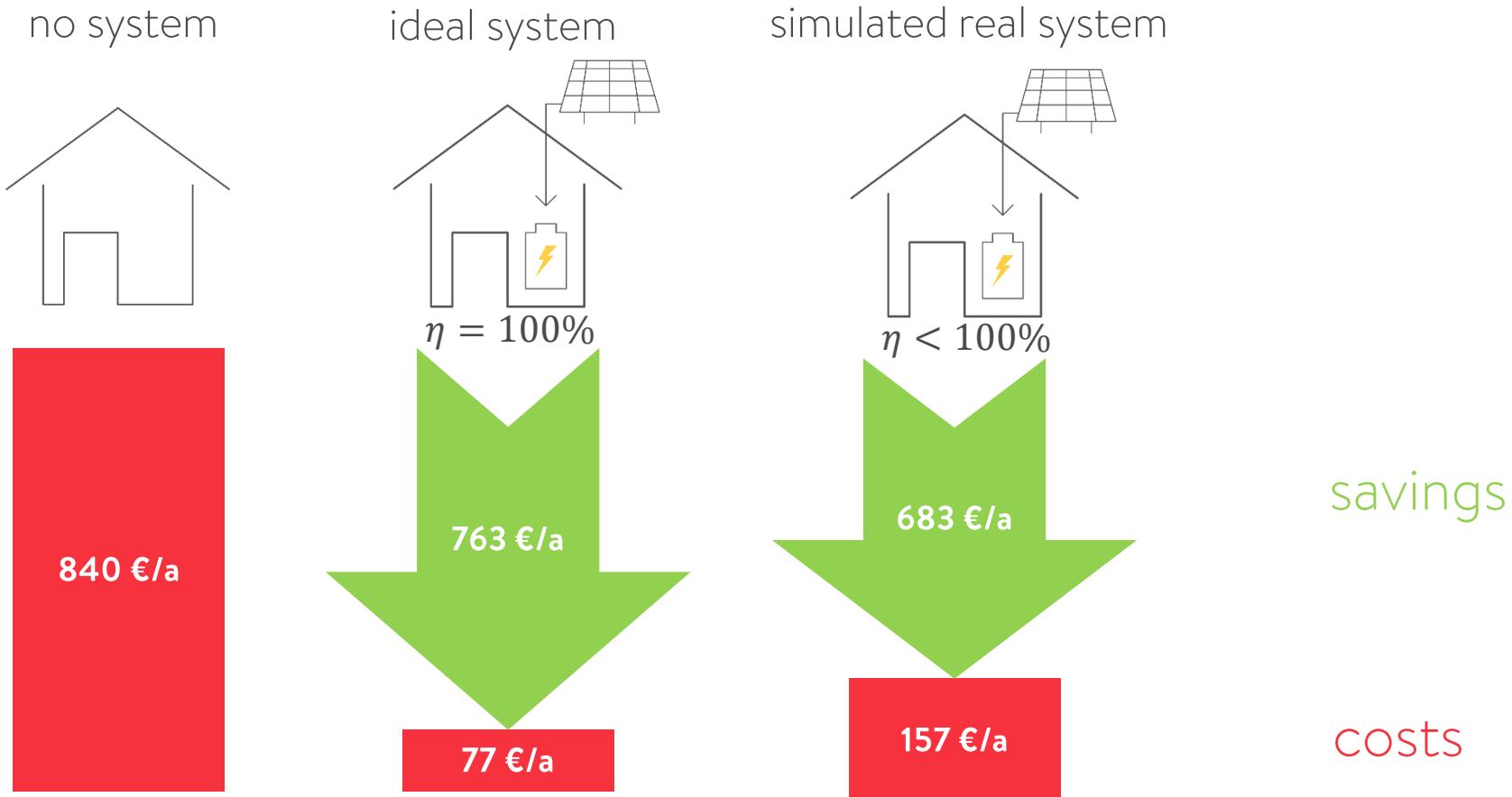
real savings



## Interpretation of the SPI

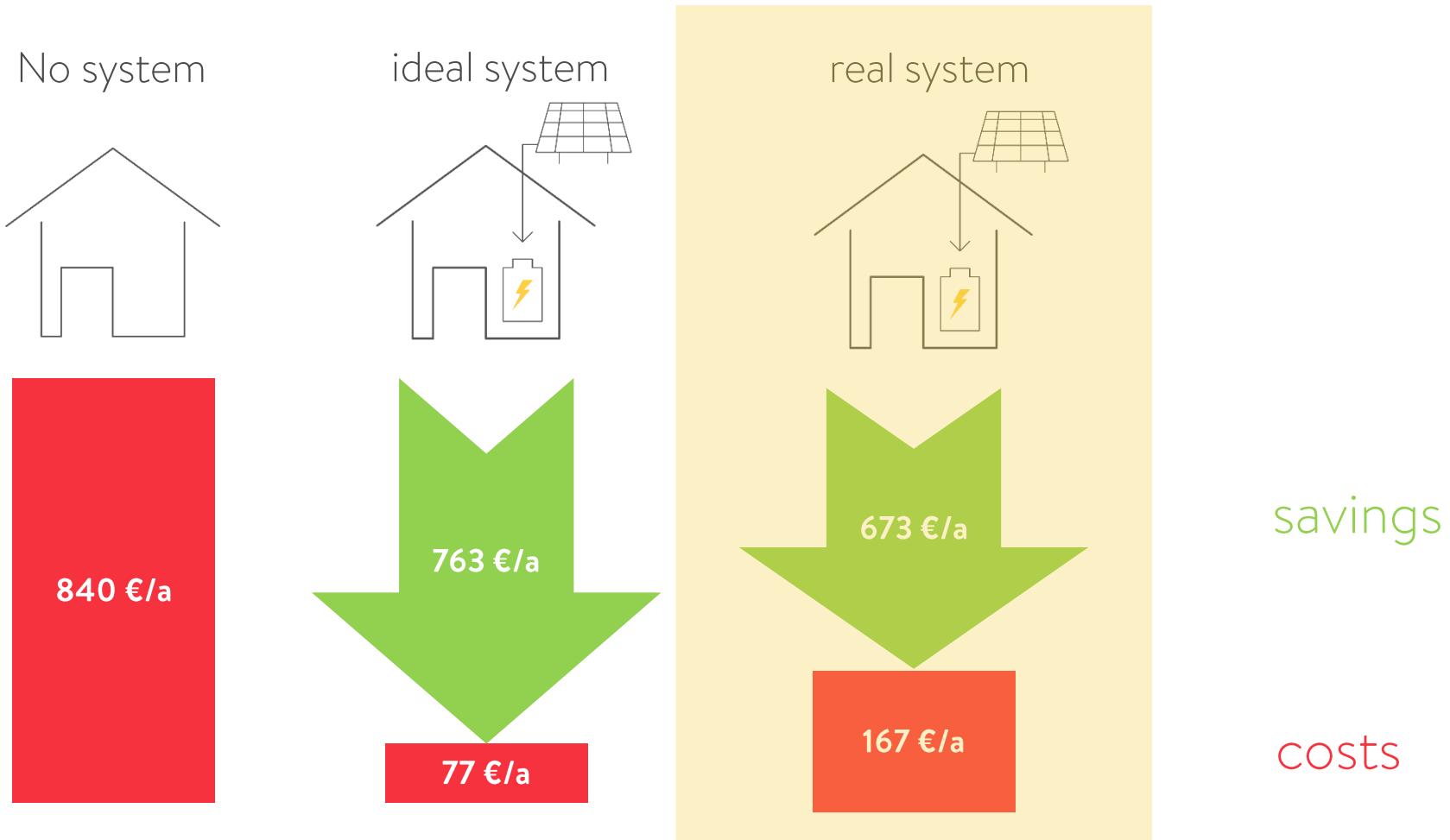
- the SPI states in a quantitative way how much the real pv battery system approaches the cost savings of an ideal pv battery system
  - thus, it is a rate of efficiency related to an ideal pv battery system
  - evaluates economic benefits of a pv battery system
- with the SPI an annual validation of variable dimensioned pv battery systems is possible

# simulated SPI



$$SPI = \frac{\text{simulated real savings}}{\text{ideal savings}} = \frac{683 \text{ €/a}}{763 \text{ €/a}} = 89,5\%$$

# real SPI



$$SPI = \frac{real\ savings}{ideal\ savings} = \frac{673\ €/a}{763\ €/a} = 88,0\%$$

validation of one pv battery system

$$\% \text{ accordance} = \frac{SPI_{DATA}}{SPI_{SIM}} = \frac{88,0\%}{89,5\%} = 98,3 \%$$

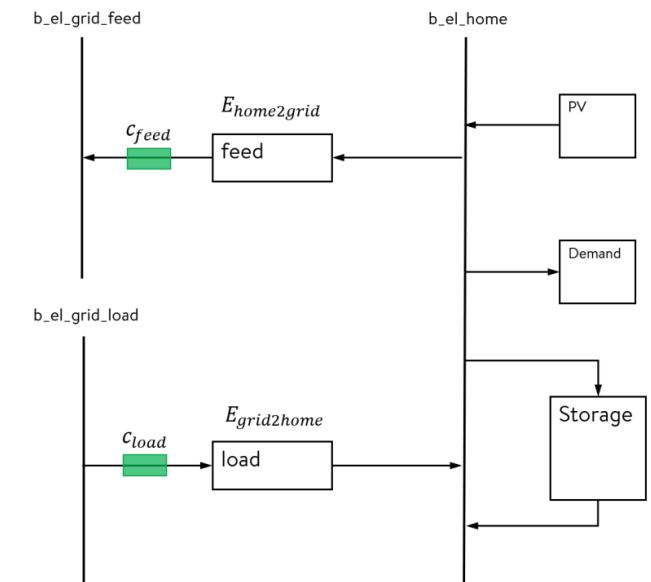
# validation of n - pv battery systems

sonnenDatabase

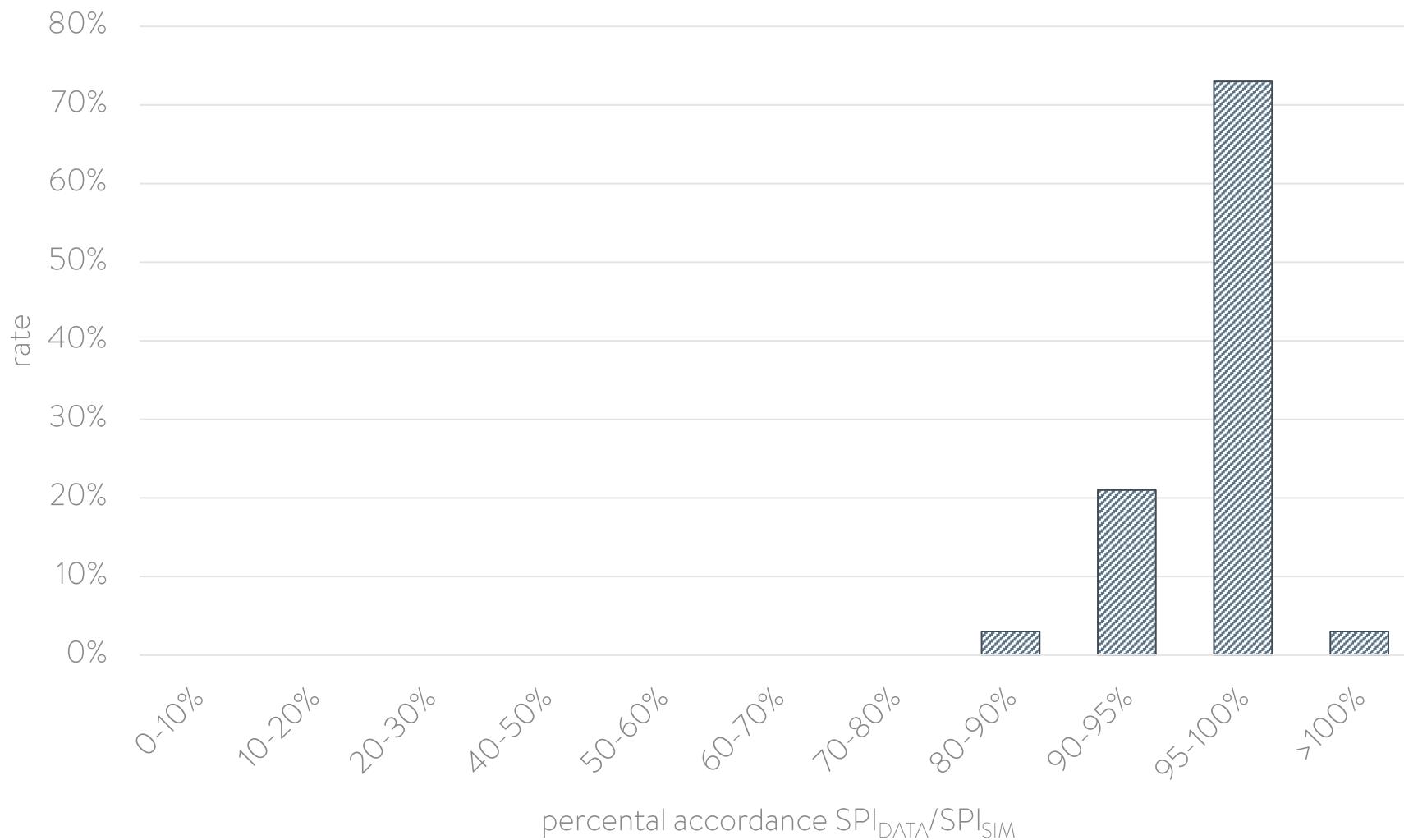


$$\% \text{ accordance} = \sum_{n=1}^{100} \frac{SPI_{DATA}}{SPI_{SIM}}$$

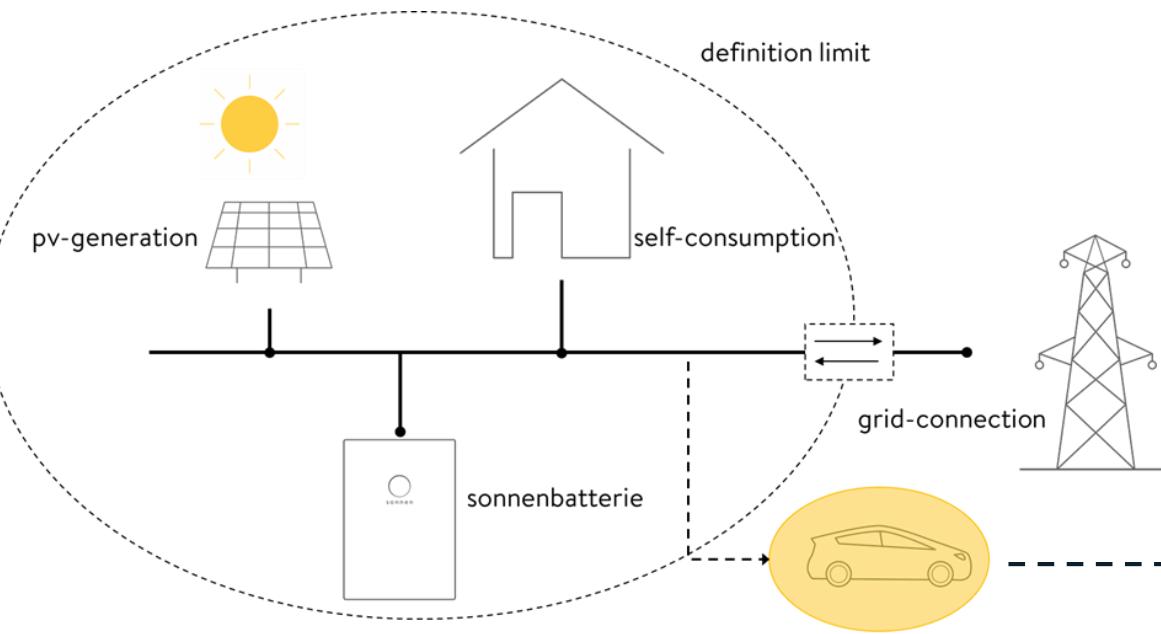
simulation



# validation result of 100 simulated pv battery systems

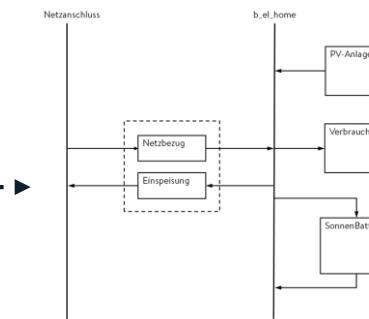


# Next thing to do...

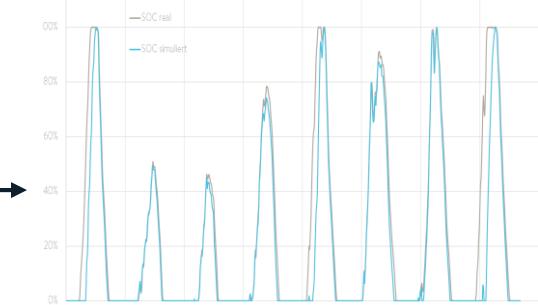


interpretation

modelling an EV



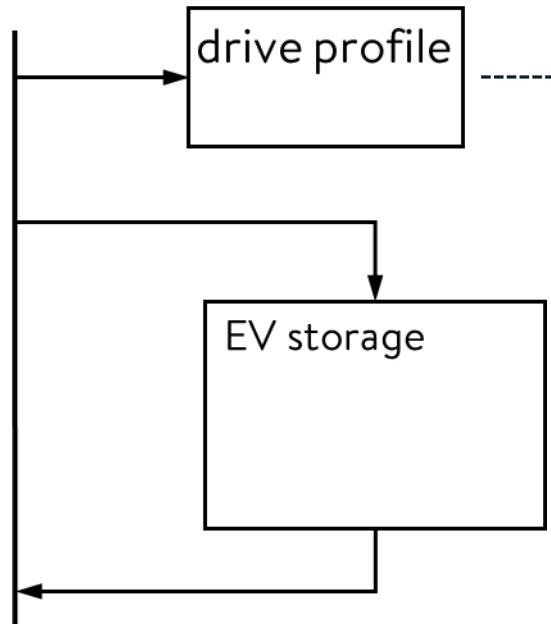
simulation & analysis



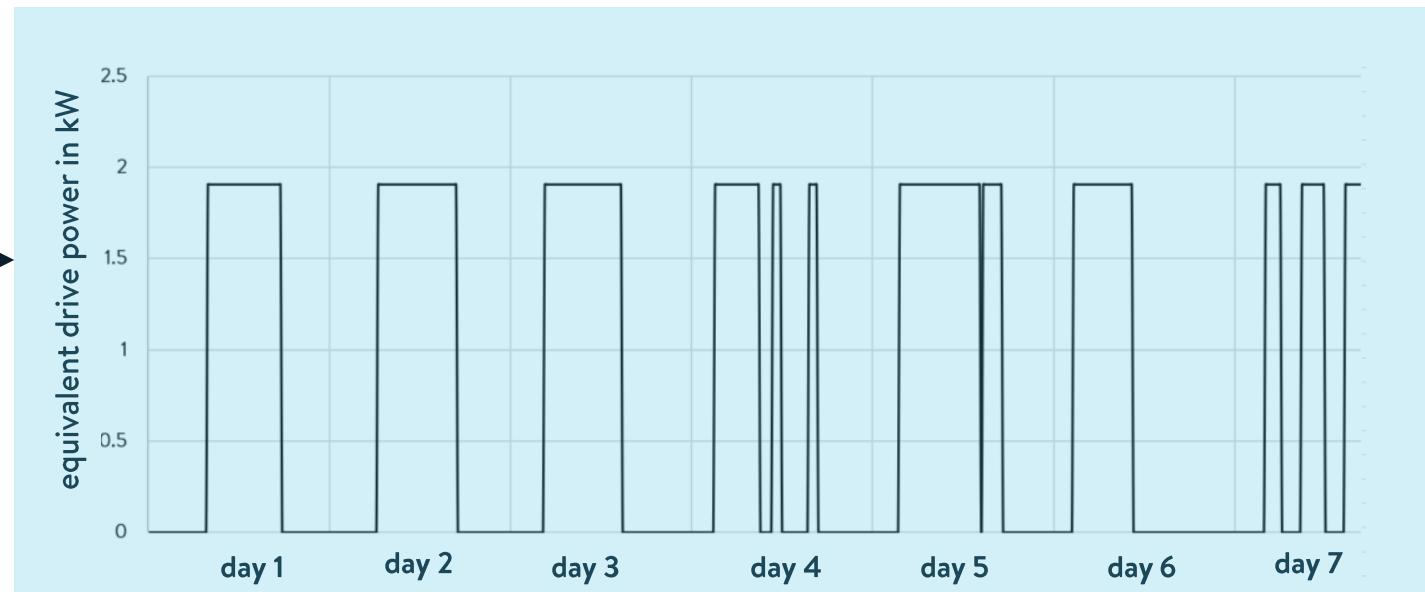
# modeling an EV

An EV consists of a

- electrical storage and
- the way it is discharged



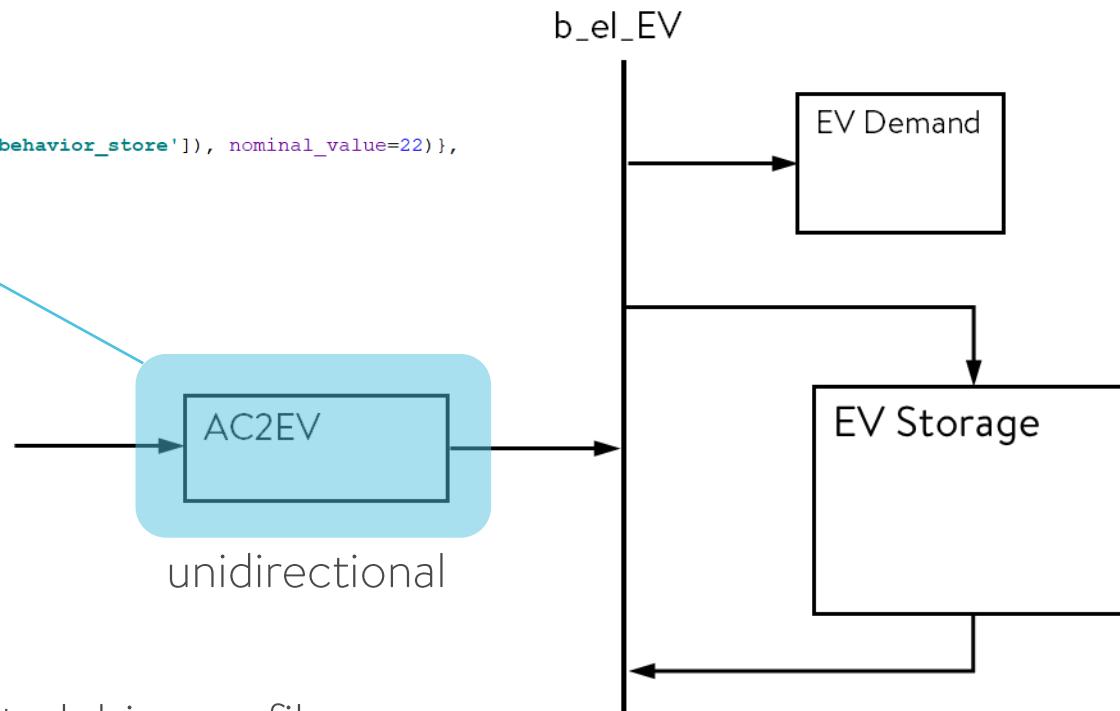
weekly drive profile



# modeling an EV

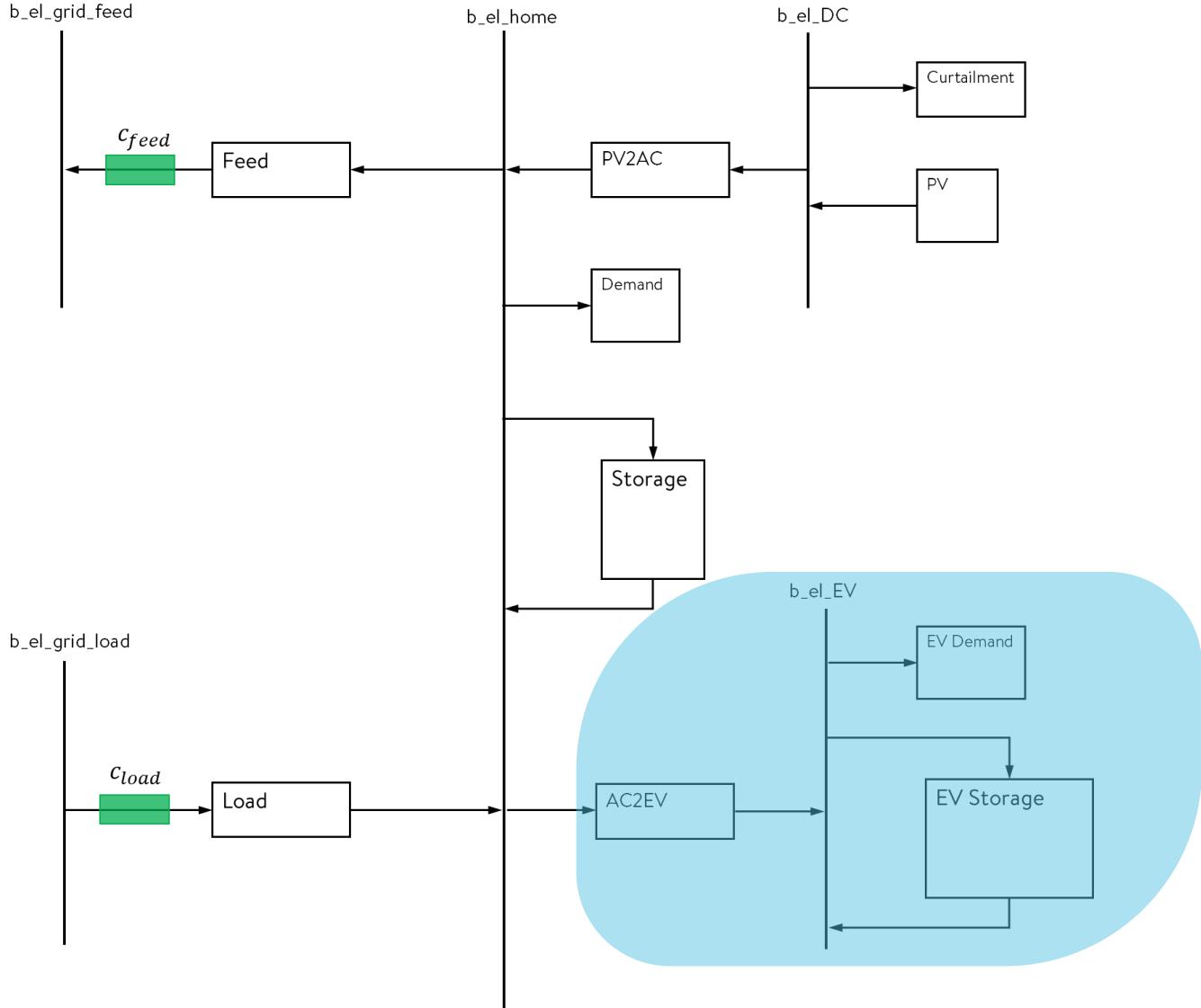
The EV gets integrated in the pv battery system in an unidirectional way

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`(max=(data['behavior_store']))` = negated drive profile

# modeling an EV



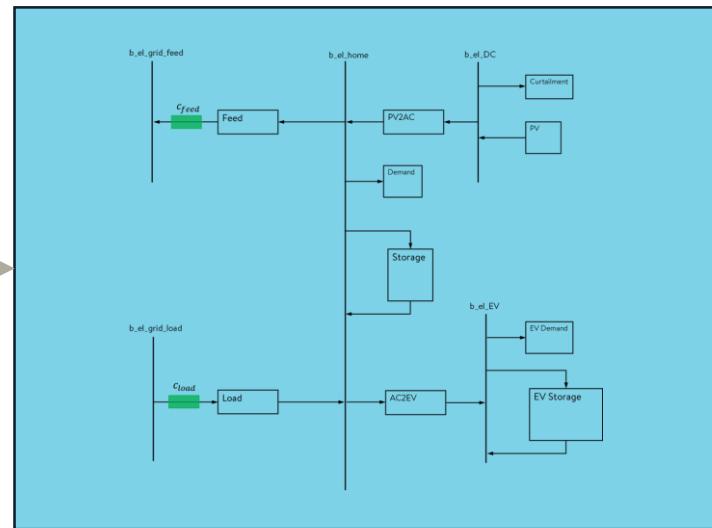
# Simulation of the EV integrated pv battery system:

- A weekly analysis

## INPUT

- Timeseries pv-generation
- Timeseries demand
- Timeseries drive profile

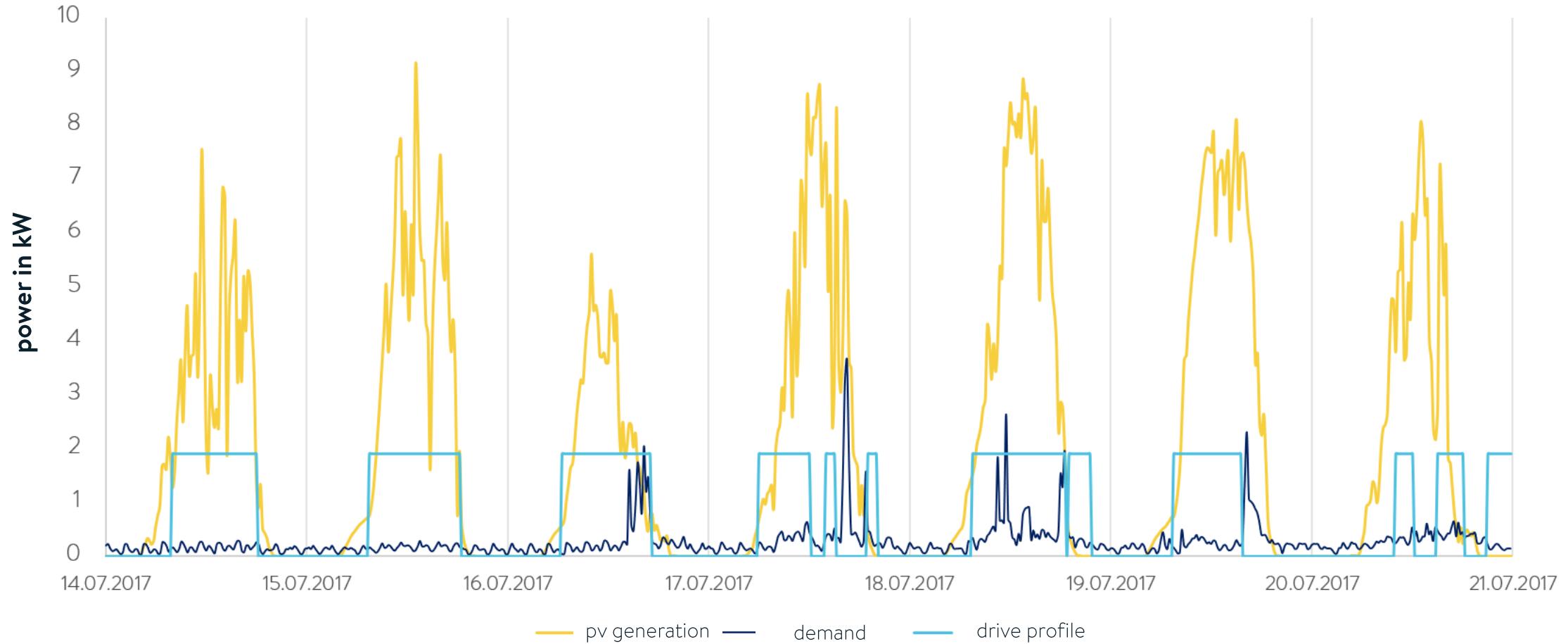
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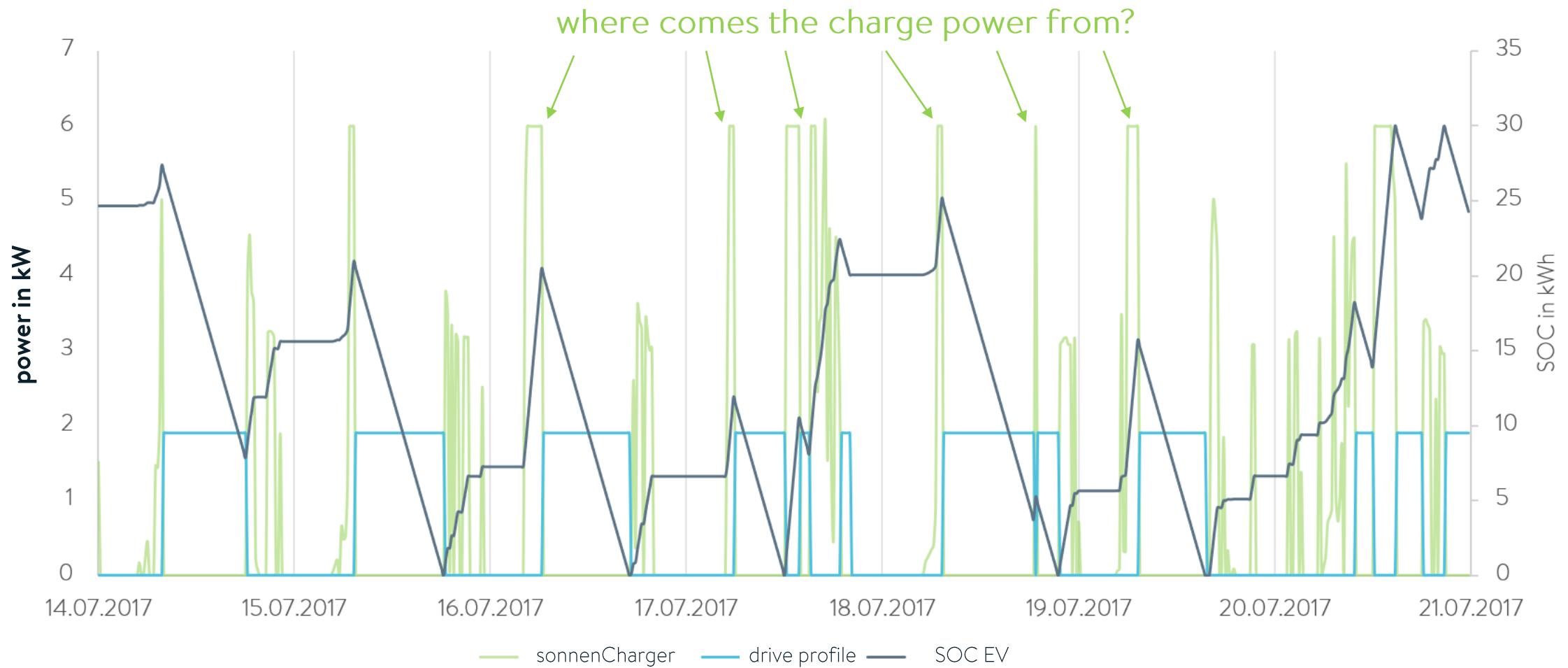
## OUTPUT

- sonnenBatterie behaviour
- EV battery behaviour
- systemtransparency

# Input data

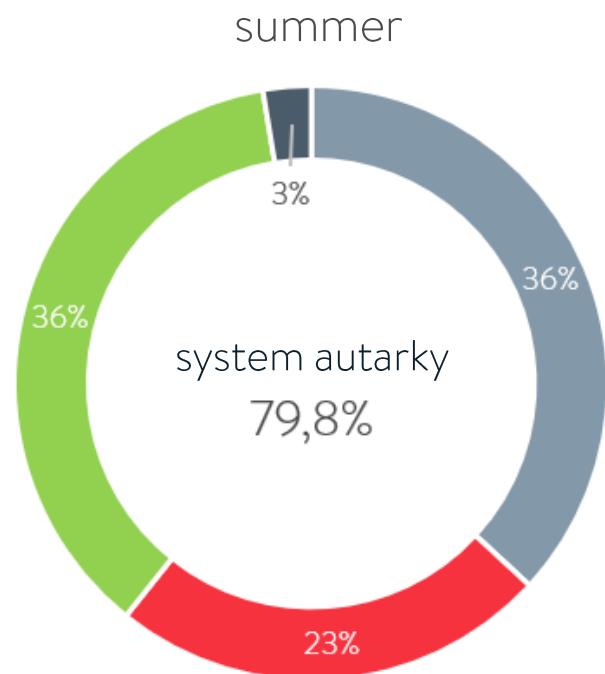
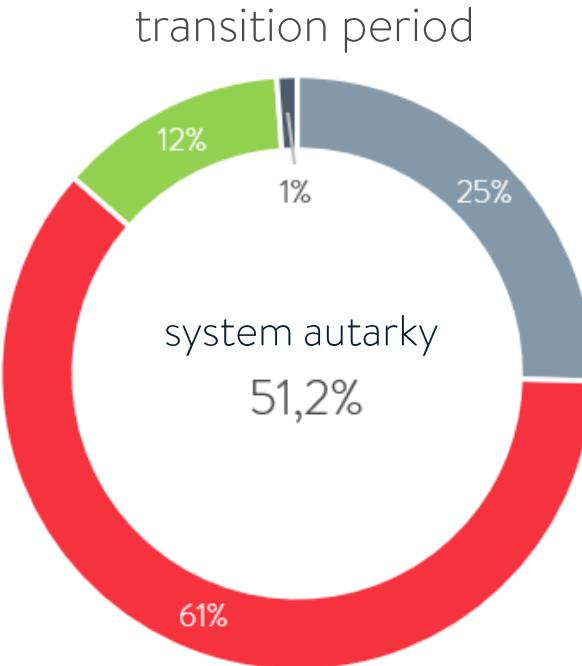
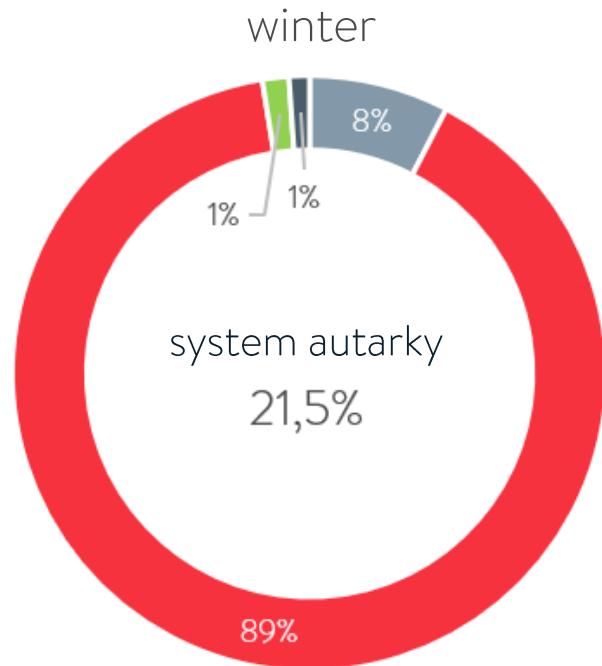


# Analysis EV charging



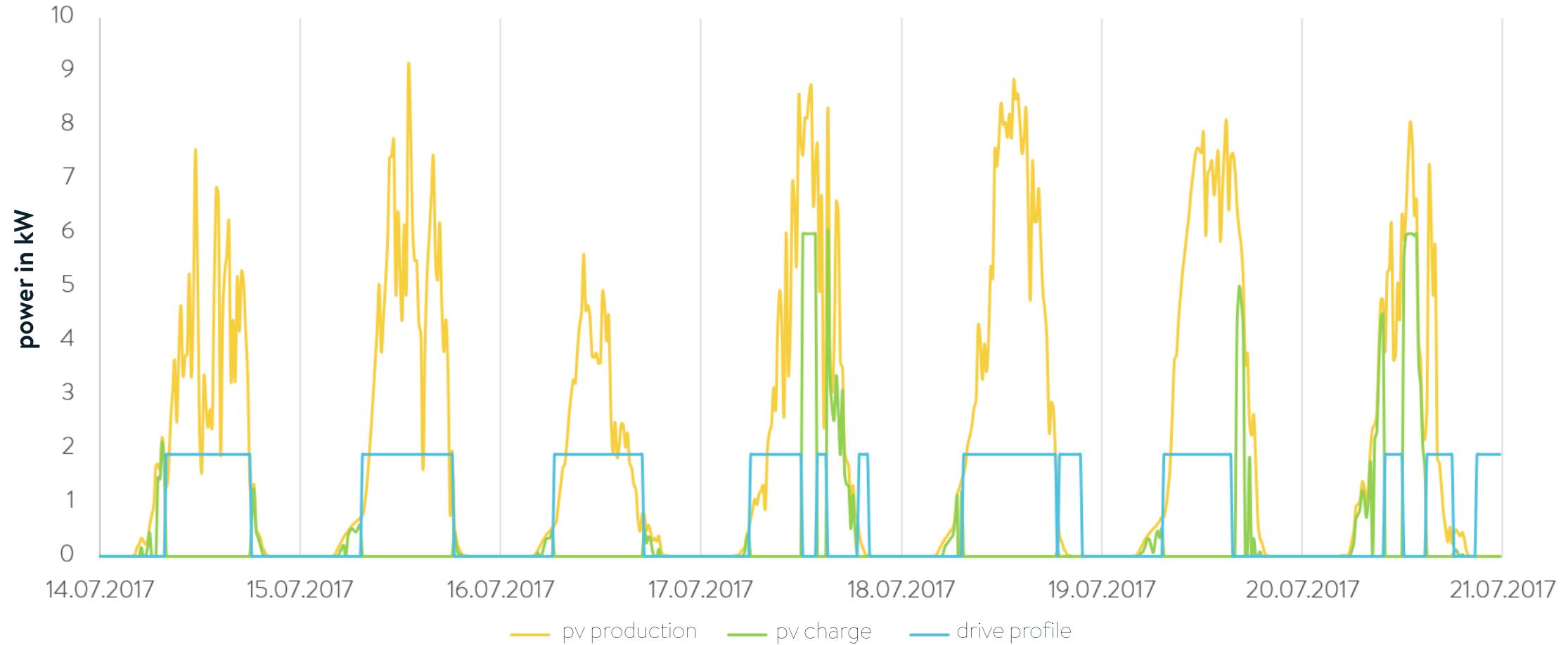
# Transparency analysis

pv plant:	10,5	kWp
weekly demand:	68,8	kWh
sonnenBatterie:	8	kWh
EV battery:	30	kWh

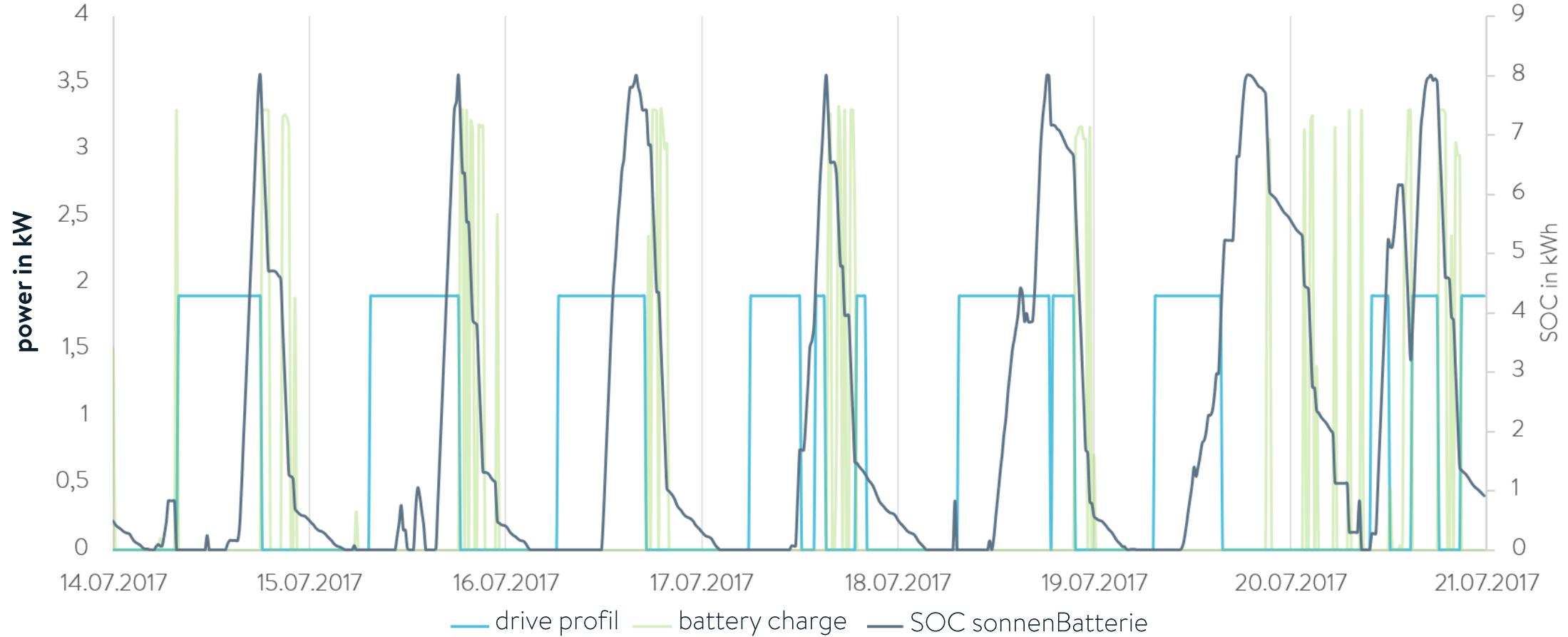


charging:

pv → EV battery

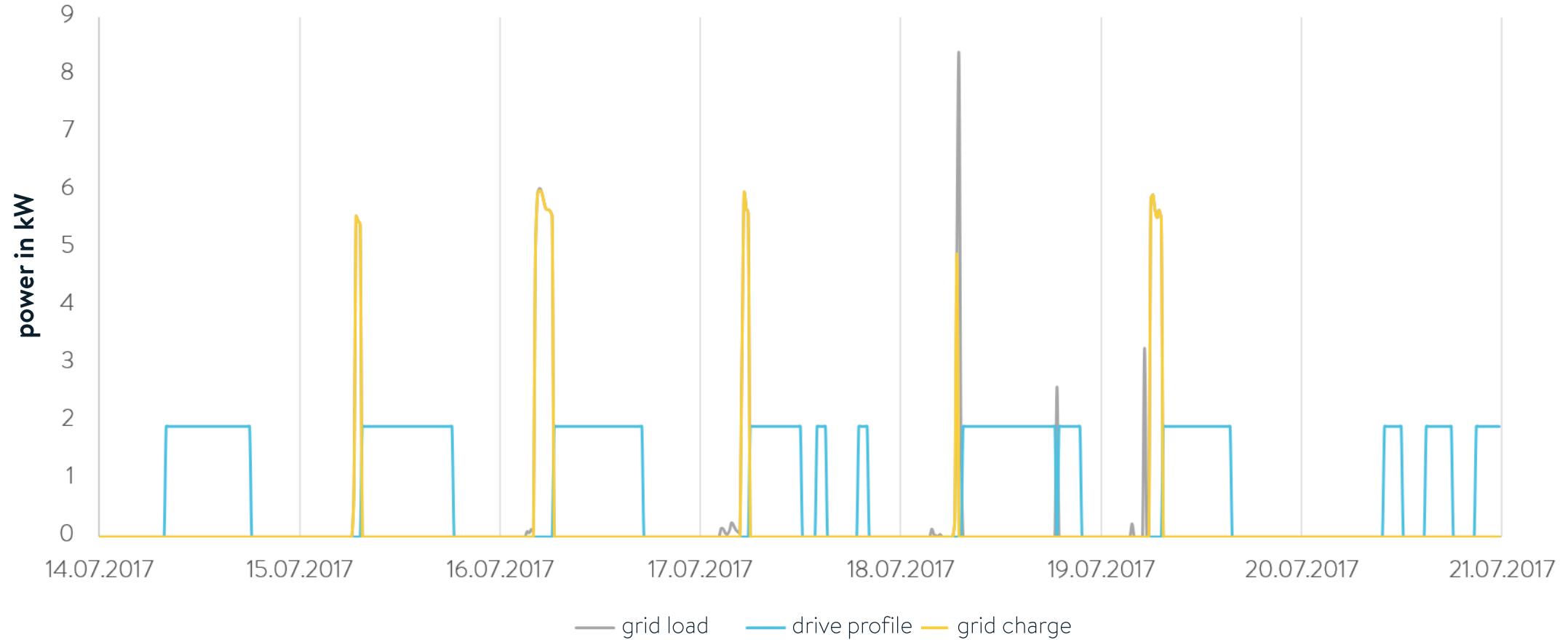


charging: sonnenBatterie → EV battery



charging:

grid → EV battery



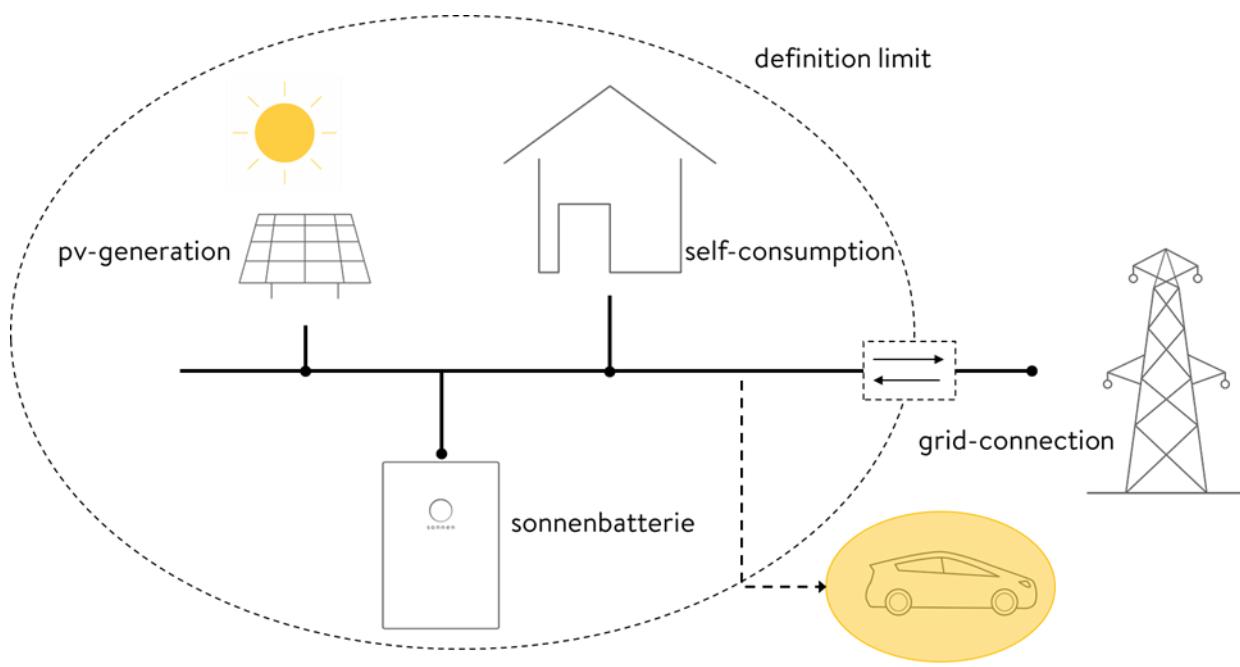
# Interpretation of simulations results

The charging priority of an electric vehicle connected to a self-consumption optimised pv battery system consists as followed:

1. PV – charging
2. sonnenBatterie – charging
3. grid - charging

...this could be the basis for algorithm development...

# Thank you for your attention!



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