

Zoning in LHEES

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LHEES summary

- 15-20 year period
- Authority-wide strategy for energy efficiency and heat decarbonisation
- Designate zones that set out the most appropriate options to help in phasing delivery programmes
- Socio-economic assessment of solutions
 - Net improvement in social welfare



Not just about costs and emissions

Spatial variance

■ Technical

- Network availability/capacity
- Housing density
- Demand level / density
- Housing efficiency
- Technology characteristics
- Supply-side evolution / access

■ Economic

- Technology costs
- Access to capital
- Ownership models
- Commercial actors

■ Social/behavioural

- Demographics
- Fuel poverty
- Rebound effects
- Acceptance



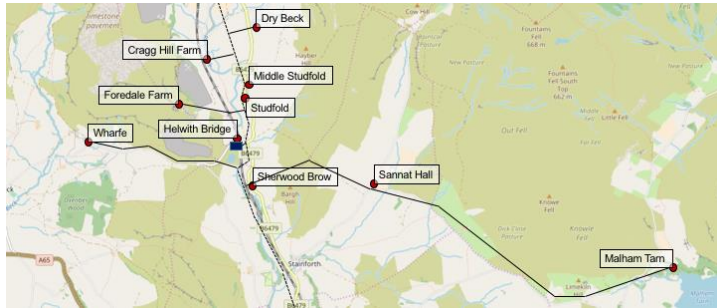
Zonal definition & prioritisation

Examining future local archetypes

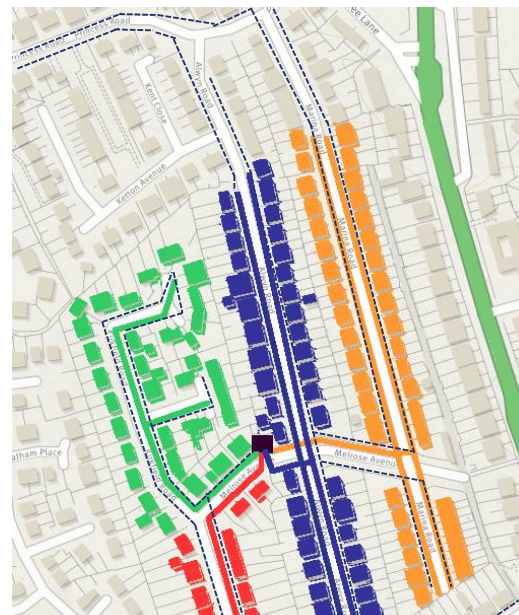
Rural

Disaggregate UK energy system into exemplar archetypes

Urban



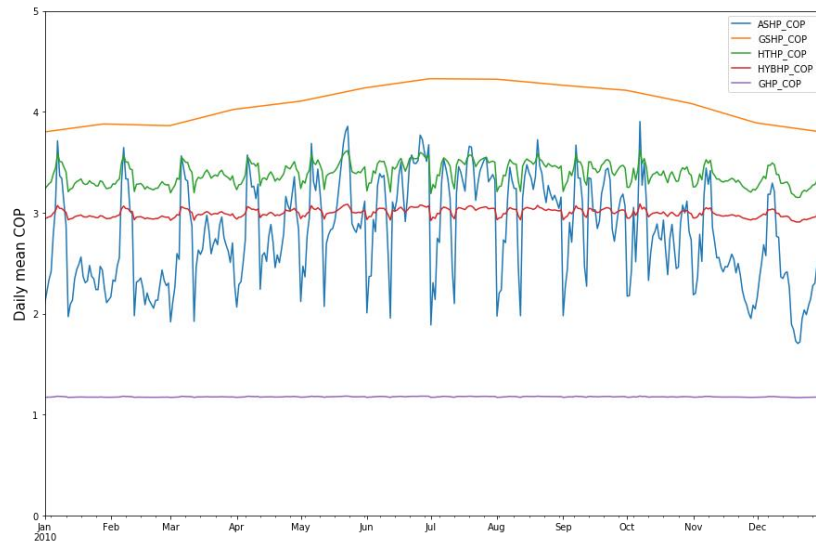
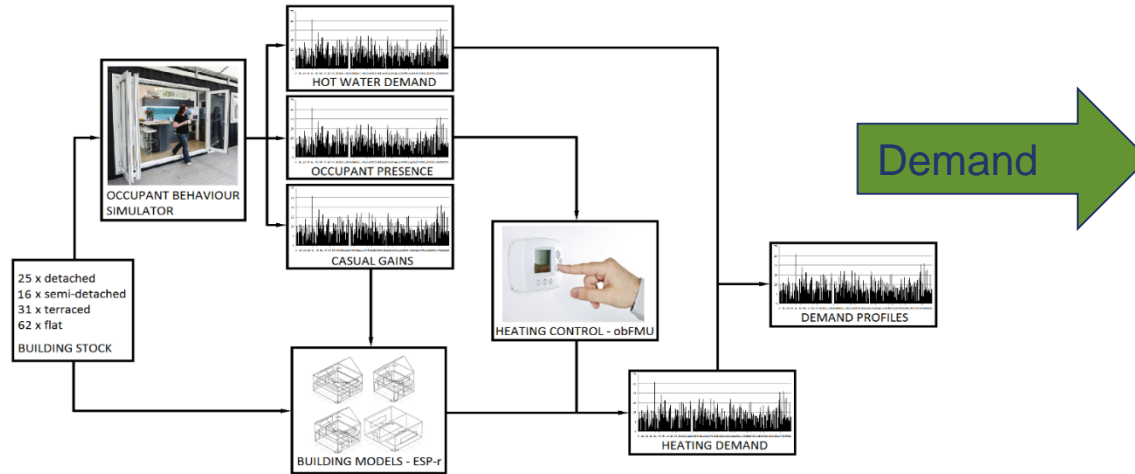
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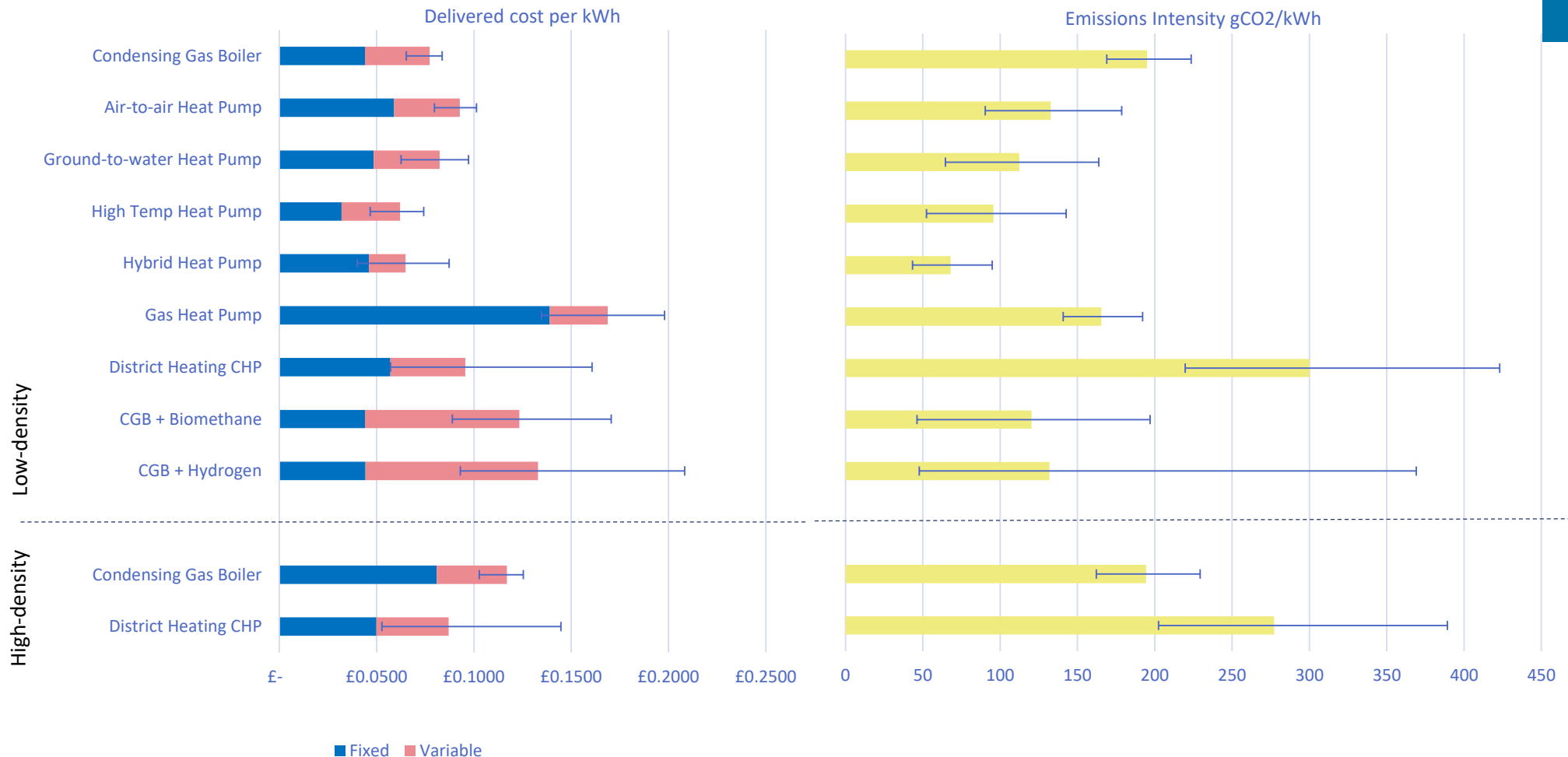
Modelling conducted within UKERC
Theme 3: “Energy Systems at Multiple Scales”

Sub-theme: “Modelling spatial and temporal diversity”

Demand and technology modelling

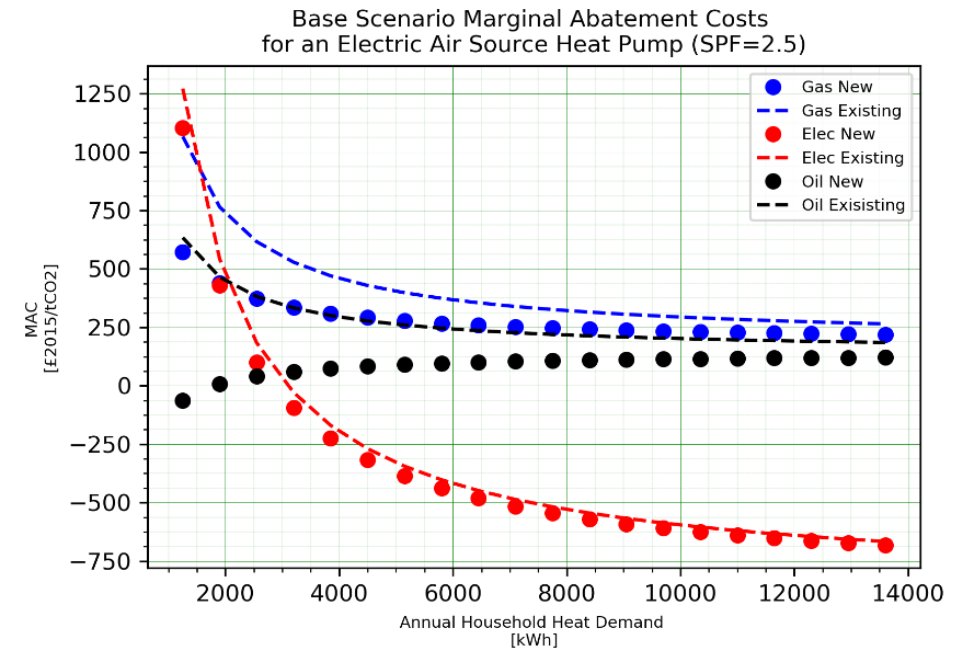
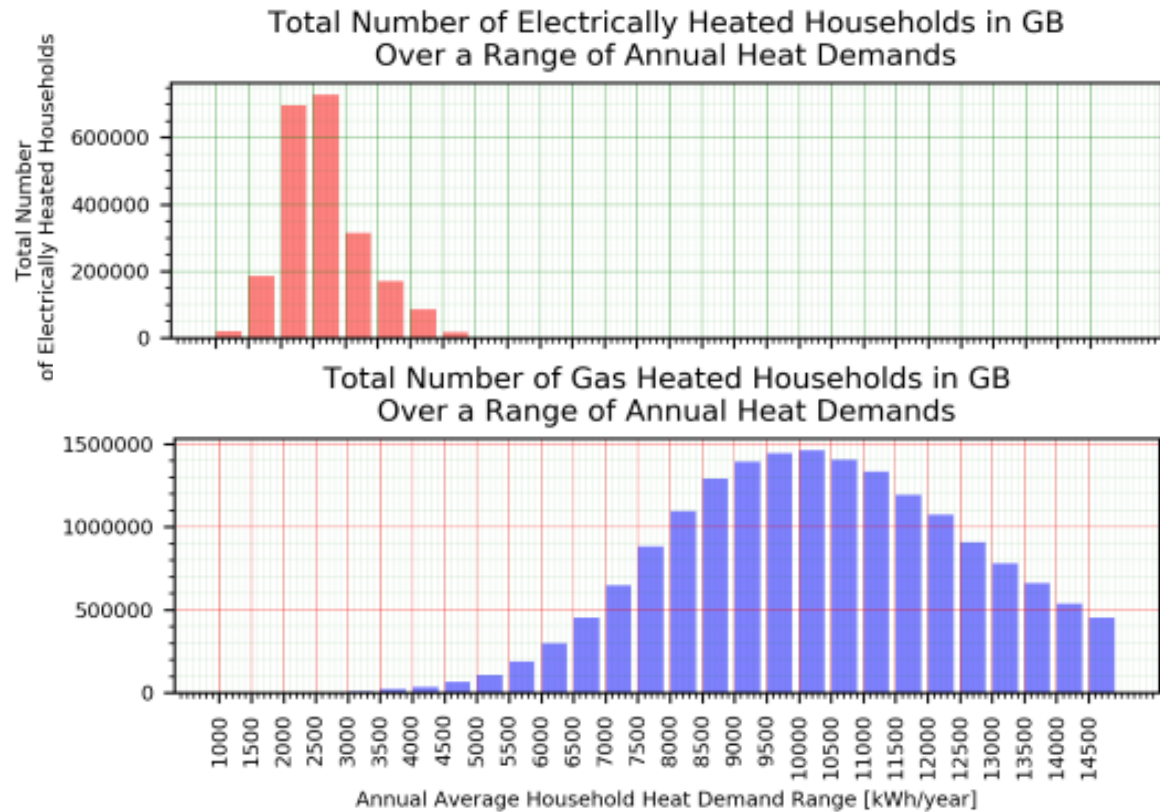


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Near-term LHEES goals

- Achievable policies and business models which incrementally decarbonise real-world systems at a local scale
- Within the context of uncertain evolution of regional/national-scale systems
 - ‘Bridging’ solutions and long-term sustainable options
 - Unclear coordination for non-incremental change
- A clear picture of the likely technical performance and efficiency of low-carbon options
- Breakdown of discrete responsibilities between homeowners/housing associations, local authorities, network owners/operators and national bodies
- Danger of near-term small-scale efforts undermining the business case for more transformative change?
 - A need to consider the first, middle and last thousand homes