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Industrial Heat Demand Modelling 18.06.2025 Till Holmes, SINTEF Energy Research





Flexible optimization framework developed at SINTEF

Example:

- Multi-energy-carrier energy systems consisting of nodes
- Allows for easy and flexible setup of integrated energy system models
- Optimization of total system costs including investment options and operation
- →Challenge: generalized representation of industrial heat demand





IMPRO – Industrial Heat Demand Profile Generator



7 standard load profiles

• Enables sector-specific and cross-sectoral analyses

Hourly Resolution

- Allows for energy storage analysis
- Detailed demand and supply matching

Four distinct temperature levels

• Improved constraints for technology choices





Next Steps: Validation of Standard Load Profiles

 Improvement of weekly load curves to cover sector-specific operational patterns

• Validation of standard load profiles for all sectors





Need: Industrial partners and energy system modelers

- IMPRO enables a more accurate representation of sector-specific heat demand in energy system models:
 - \rightarrow Industry partners to validate profiles
 - → Research partners working with energy system models
- Work on cross-sectoral analysis of industrial heat electrification or any other topic involving industrial heat demand that is of relevance for industry partners

Potential modelling scopes/outcomes:

- Sector-specific decarbonization/electrification strategies
- Energy storage analysis
- Reserve market participation
- Electricity price arbitrage
- Excess heat utilization
- Grid load impacts
- District heating



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