

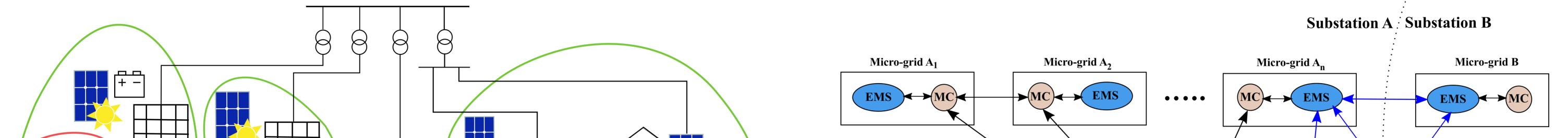
# From micro to Mega-GRID: Interactions of micro-grids in active distribution networks

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• To prepare a test site at Chalmers and propose functional requirements for micro-grid interoperability.

 To develop interfaces for micro-grid interoperability and integration of the micro-grid energy management system (EMS) to the distribution management system (DMS).



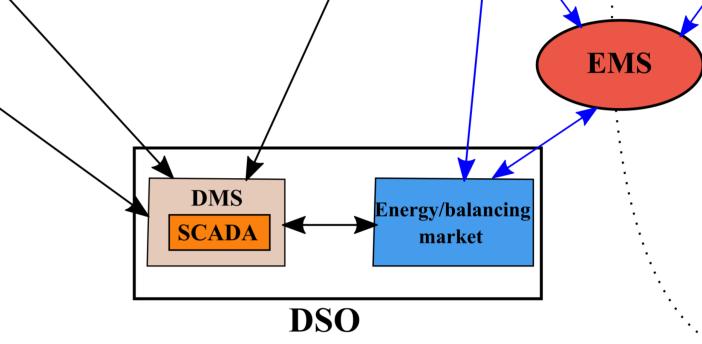
## MOTIVATION

**Grid-tied micro-grids:** 

- Offer advanced controllability of the distribution network
- Can minimize uncertainties in energy scheduling
- Release network capacity and postpone grid investments
- Minimize energy cost

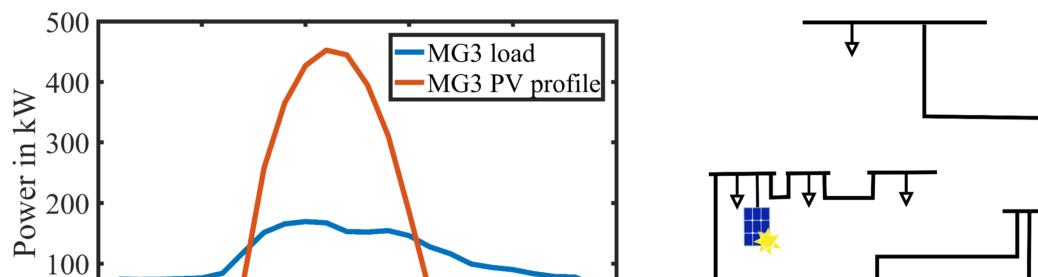
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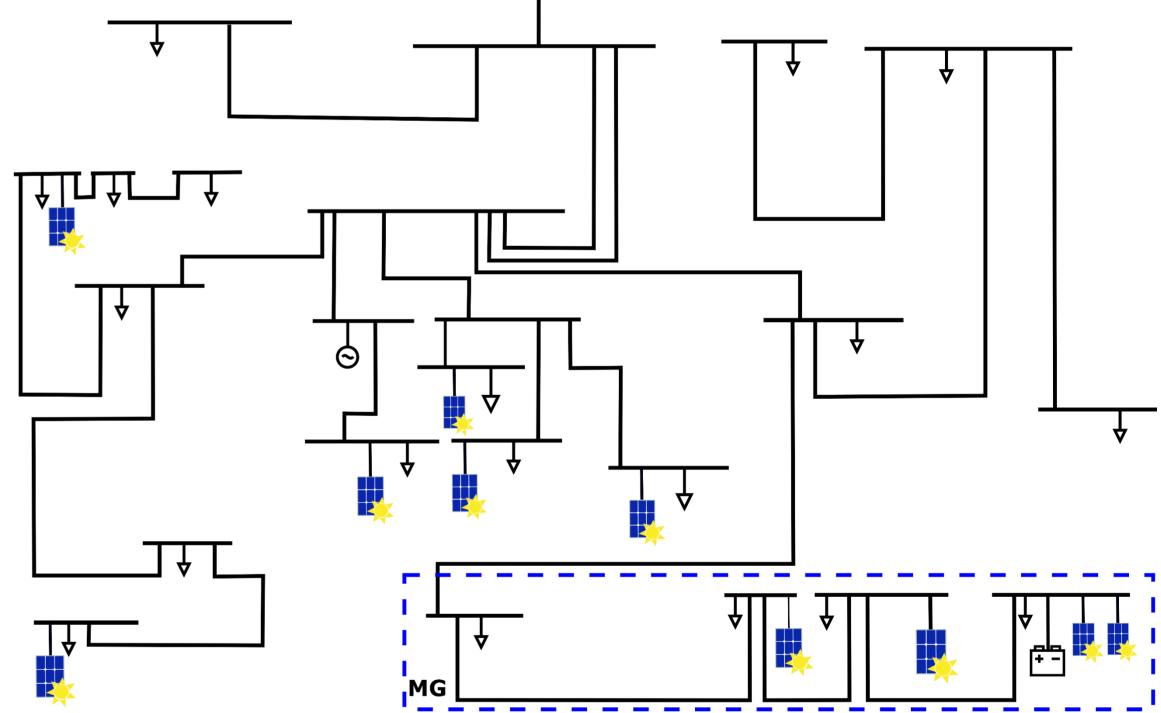
Facilitate efficient resource sharing



#### PRELIMINARY SIMULATION RESULTS: DSO VS. MICRO-GRID OPERATION STRATEGIES

- Case I: The distribution system operator (DSO) owns the energy storage and seeks to:
  - a) minimize the upstream daily energy import.
  - b) minimize transformer losses (square of imported power).
  - c) minimize the voltage deviation from the nominal voltage on all buses.
- Case II: The micro-grid (MG) operator owns the energy storage and minimizes daily energy exchange with the distribution network (uncoordinated energy management).

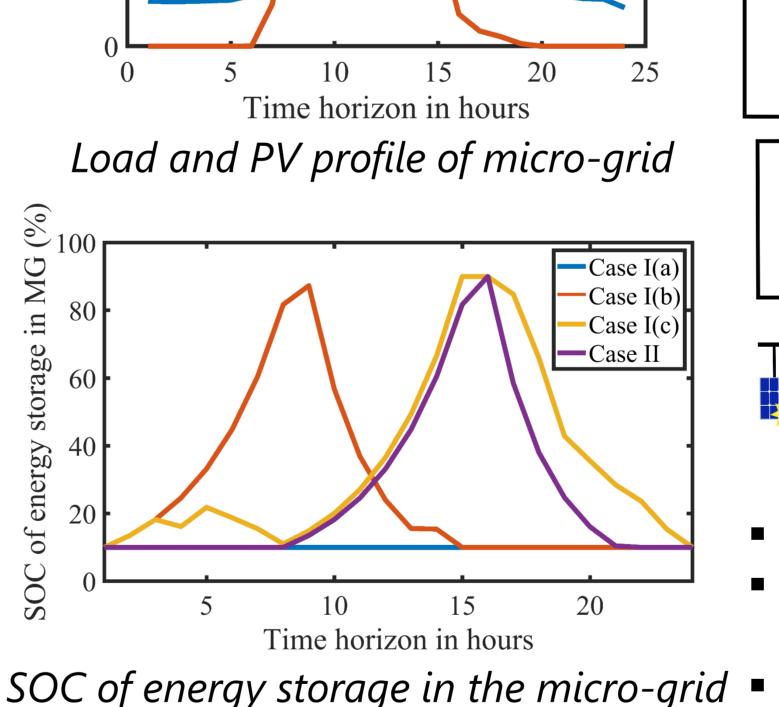




**Utility grid** 

### METHODOLOGY

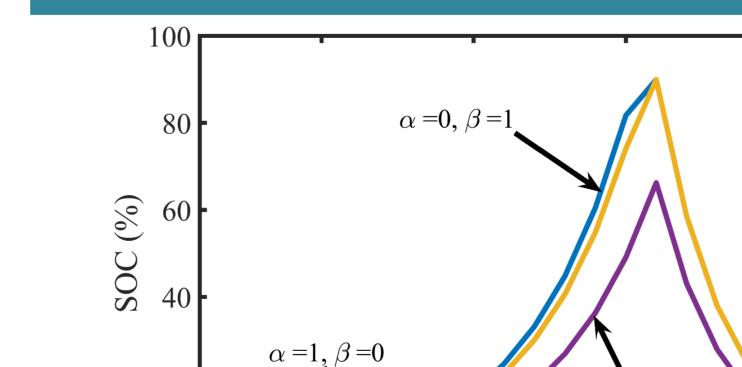
- Optimization methods (e.g., multi-objective, bi-level) for coordinated energy management.
- Validation through real site demonstrations in Sweden (Chalmers) and France.

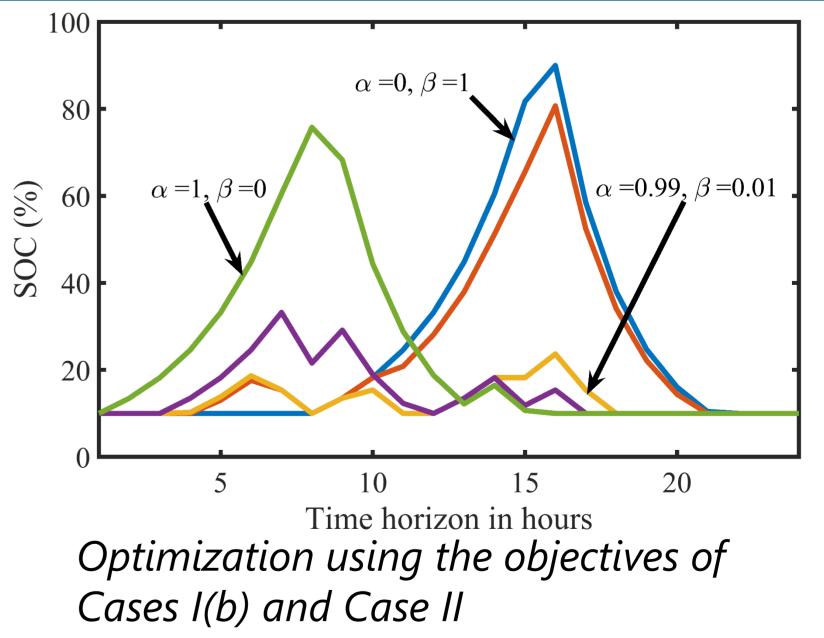


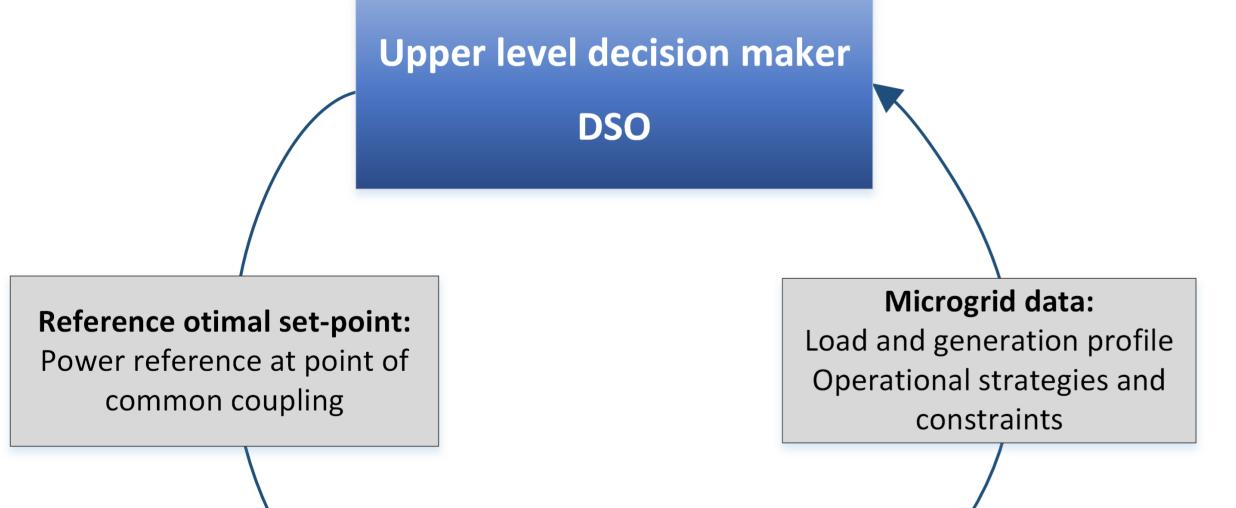
Distribution network of Chalmers campus

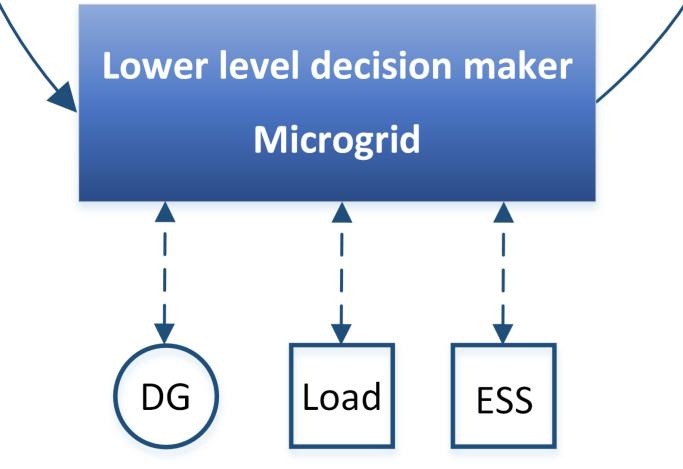
SOC profile varies depending on operational strategies.
Comparison of optimal micro-grid energy management (Case II) with DSO optimal operation (Case I (a)-(c)).
Biggest differences found between Case I(a) and Case II.

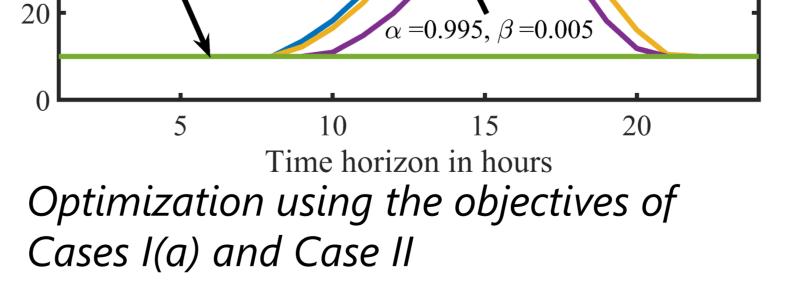
#### PRELIMINARY SIMULATION RESULTS: BI-OBJECTIVE OPTIMIZATION











- Bi-objective optimization using weighted sums method (α is the weight for the DSO and β the weight for the micro-grid).
- A compromised objective of the DSO and the micro-grid operator may lead to less utilization of the energy storage during the day (see right figure for  $\alpha = 0.99$ ).



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