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# Grid Integration Studies for eMobility Scenarios with Comparison of Probabilistic Charging Models to Simultaneity Factors

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# Motivation

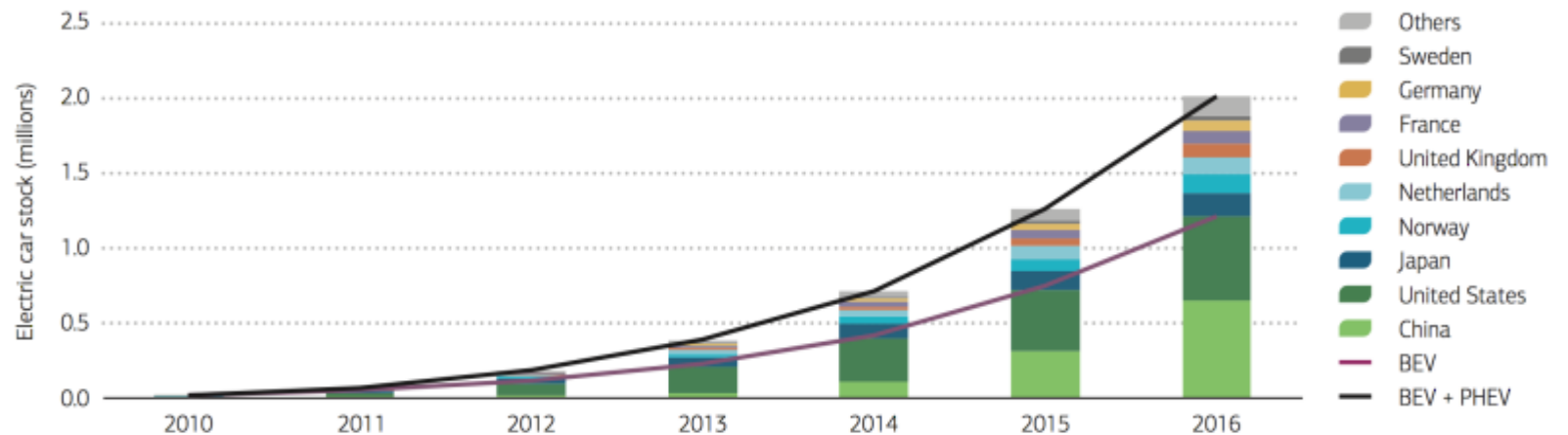
## Transition to Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs)

- In the upcoming decades in many countries a **transition to battery electric vehicles (BEVs)** is expected
- The additional power consumption puts stress on electric grids, this could lead to **overloadings** and **voltage band violations**

**Grid integration studies** are important in order to assess:

- The hosting capacity for (additional) charging stations
- Necessary reinforcement and expansion measures + investment cost

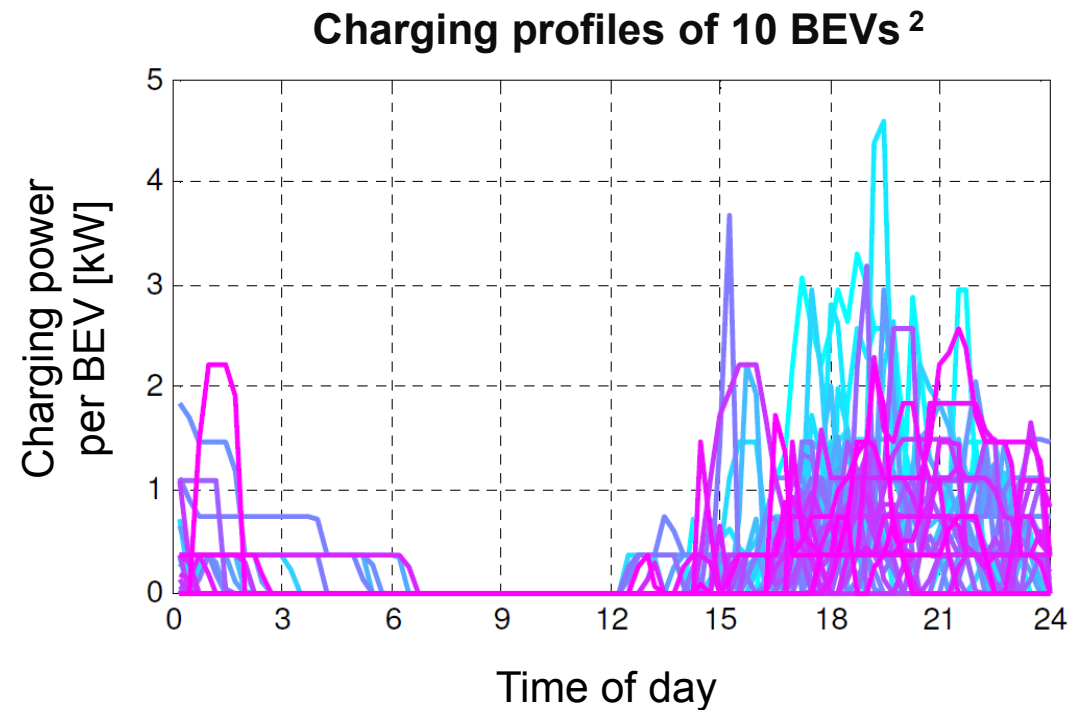
Evolution of the global electric car stock, 2010-16<sup>1</sup>



# Motivation

## Simultaneity Factors for BEV Charging

- In the absence of market induced effects it is very unlikely that all BEVs in a grid **charge at the same time** with their rated power
- Common method: usage of **simultaneity factors** in order to **scale down** power consumption per BEV according to the number of simultaneously charging vehicles
- Suitability for small numbers of vehicles is **questionable**

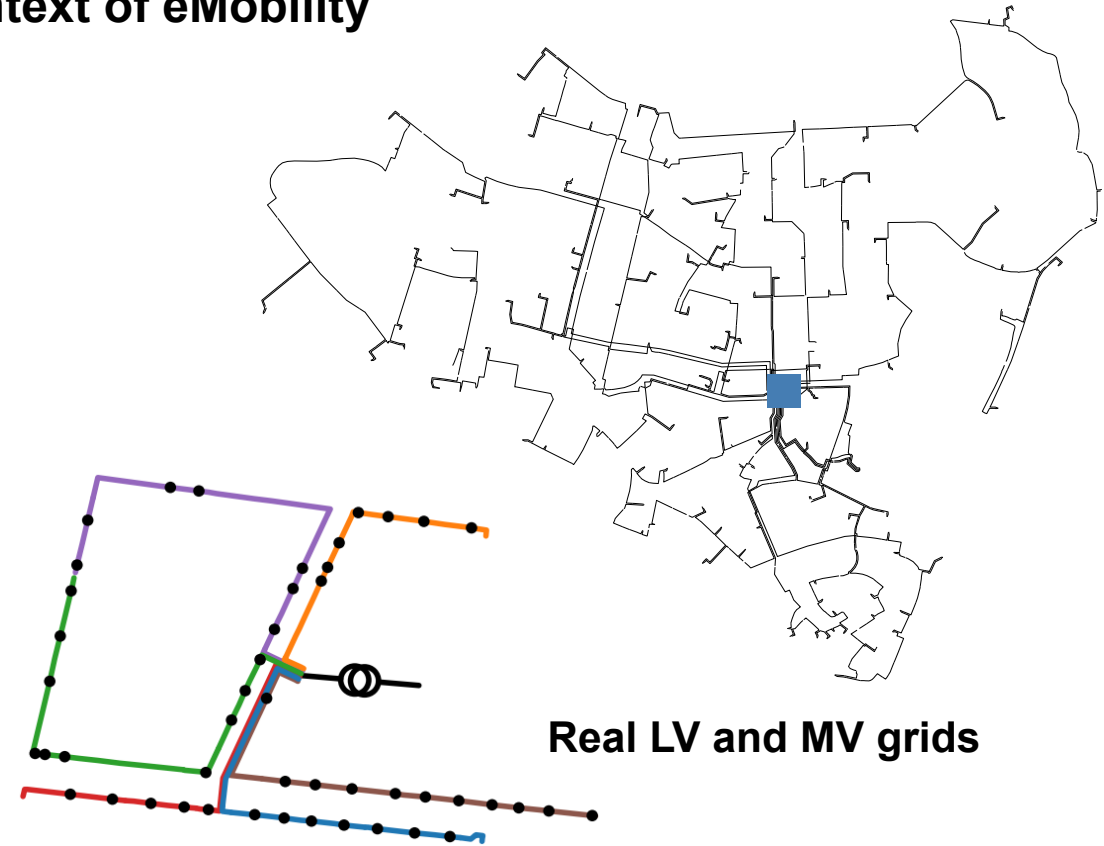


# Agenda

## Contents of the Paper

### Method for conducting grid integration studies in the context of eMobility

- Detailed comparison of **simultaneity factors** vs. a **probabilistic distribution approach** based on BEV charging profiles
- Application on **real medium- and low-voltage grids** provided by the German DSO Stadtwerke Kiel
- Demonstration of different BEV **charging infrastructure concepts**
- Evaluation of grid integration cost with an **automated grid reinforcement and expansion approach**



# Modelling of BEV Charging

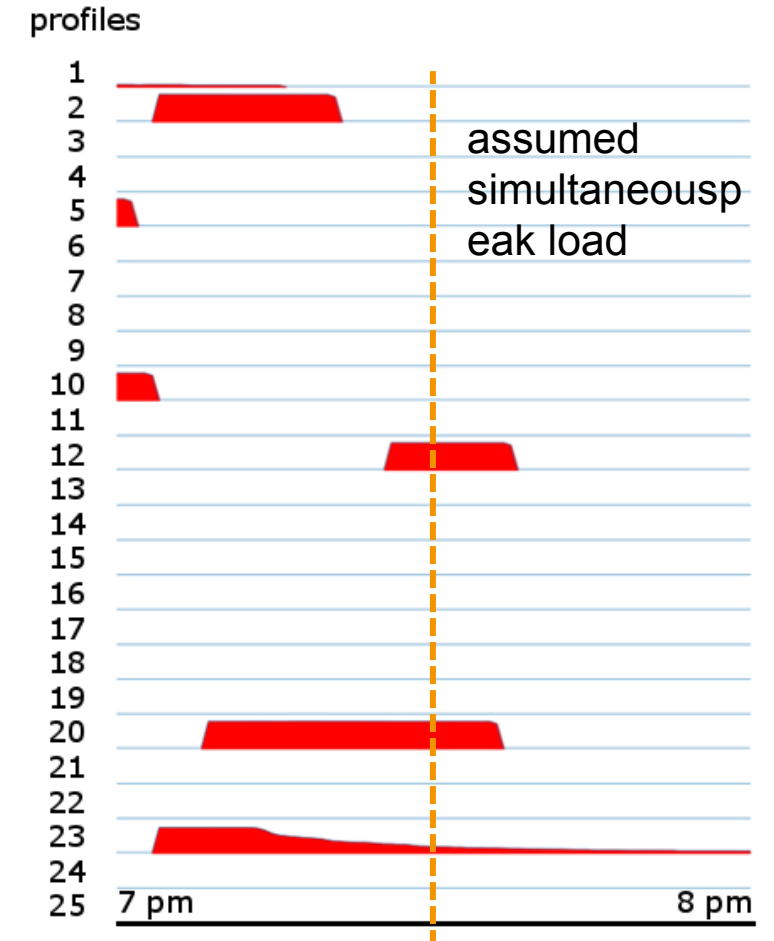
## BEV Charging Profiles

### Simulated BEV charging profiles with consideration of:

- Usage behaviour of BEV owners (time of day, time spans, travelled distance, ...)
- Technical specifications of common BEV models (battery capacity, energy consumption per km, ...)
- BEV market shares in Germany
- Charging behaviour of lithium-ion batteries (charging speed dependence on state of charge)

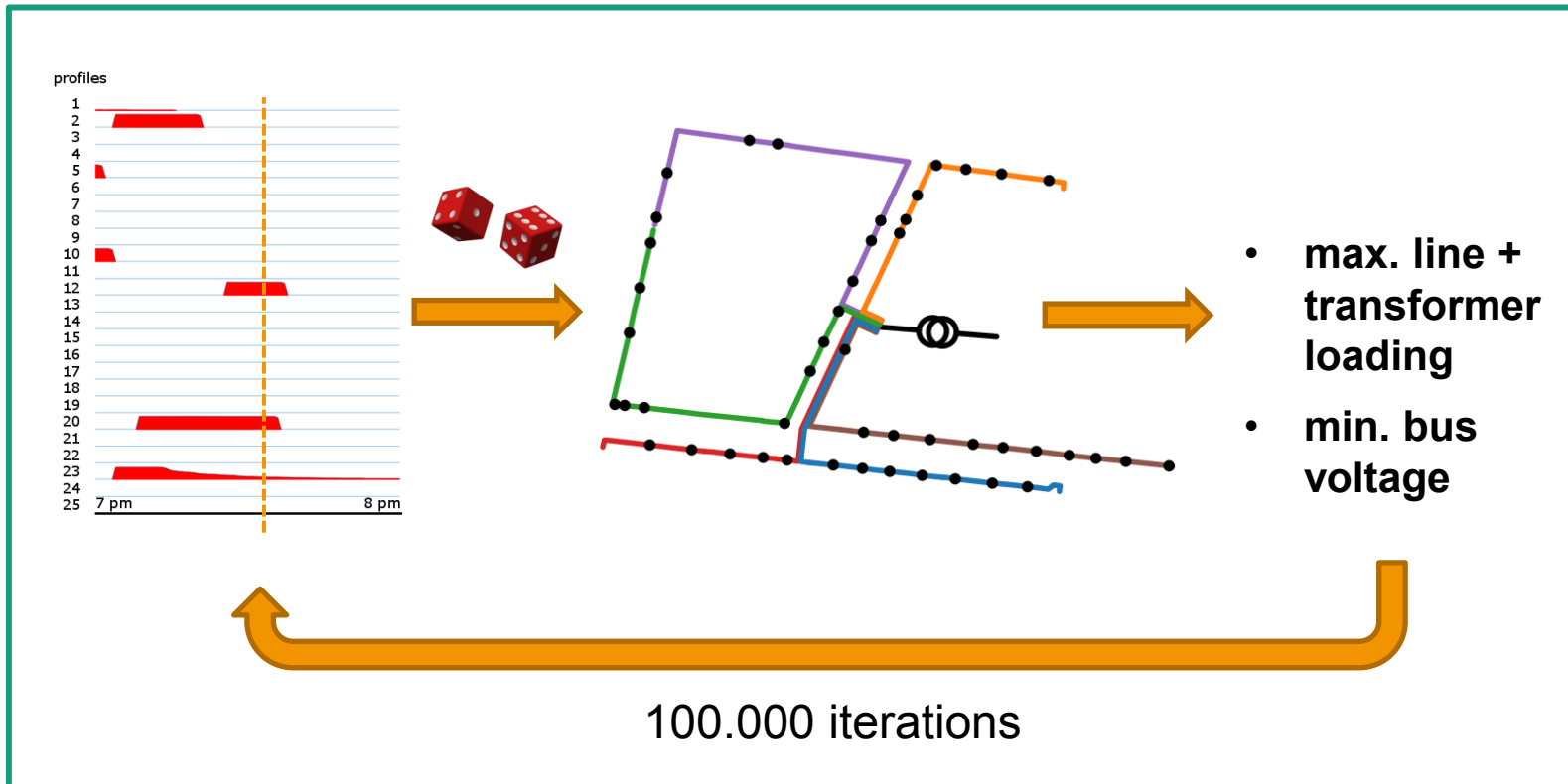
→ **10.000 BEV charging profiles generated**

→ **In this paper all charging points have an assumed rated power of 22 kW (other rated powers are possible)**



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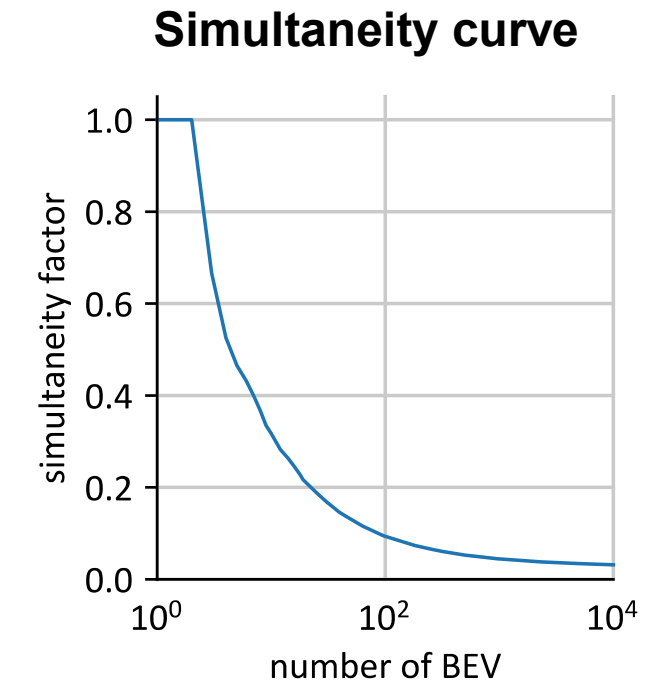
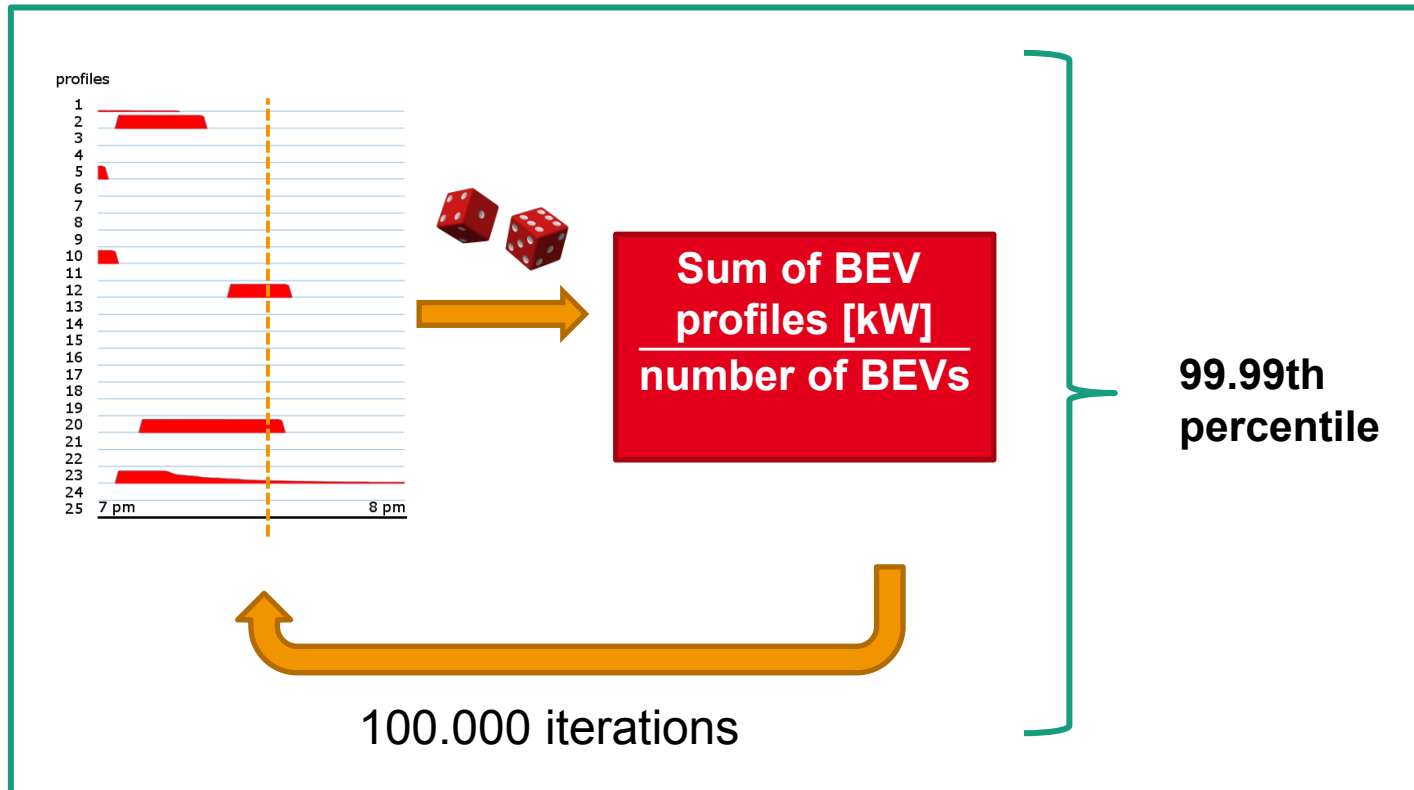
## Probabilistic Distribution Approach



- 1) randomly chosen charging profile for every charging point in the grid (positions of charging points are fixed)
  - 2) Power flow calculation with pandapower<sup>3</sup>
  - 3) Analyses of line/transformer loading and bus voltages
- **worst-case scenario based on 100.000 charging profile distributions**

# Modelling of BEV Charging Simultaneity Factors

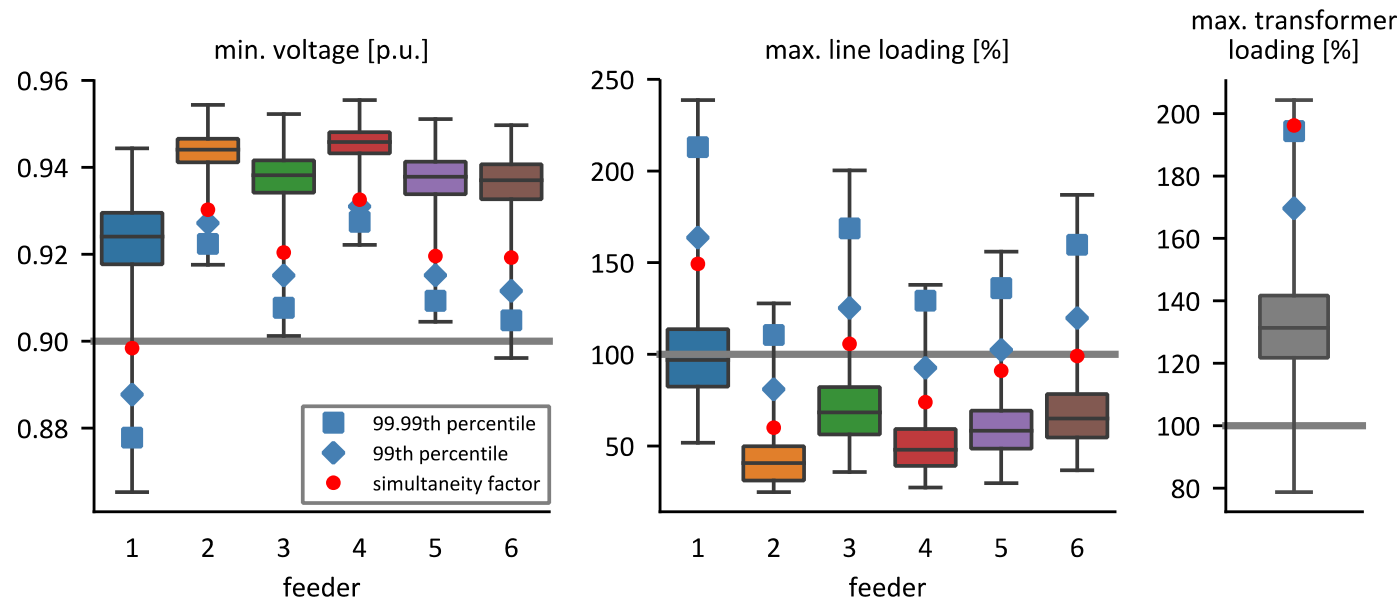
for 1 to 10.000 BEVs



# Probabilistic Distribution Approach vs. Simultaneity Factors

## Application and Comparison in Real Grids

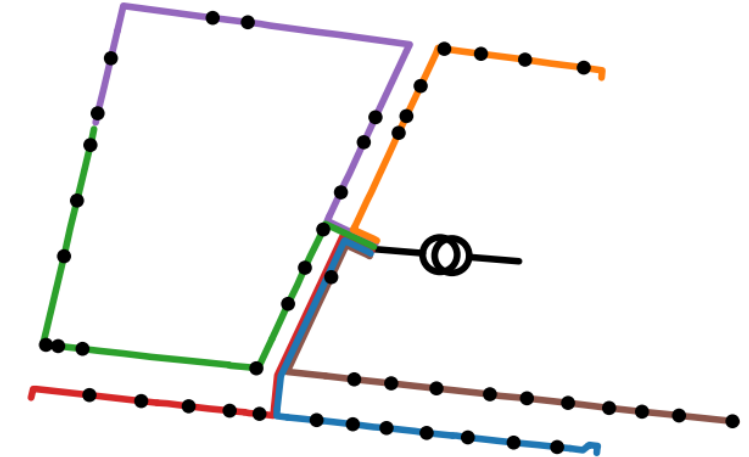
### LV grid - min. voltages/ max. loadings in 100.000 BEV distributions



- Simultaneity factor approach underestimates min. bus voltages / max. line loadings in all six feeders compared to 99.99th and 99th percentile
- Max. transformer loading: Simultaneity factor value matches the 99.99th percentile value

### Exemplary LV grid

- Urban area
- Supplies ~500 households
- Six feeders
- 48 to 116 BEVs per feeder



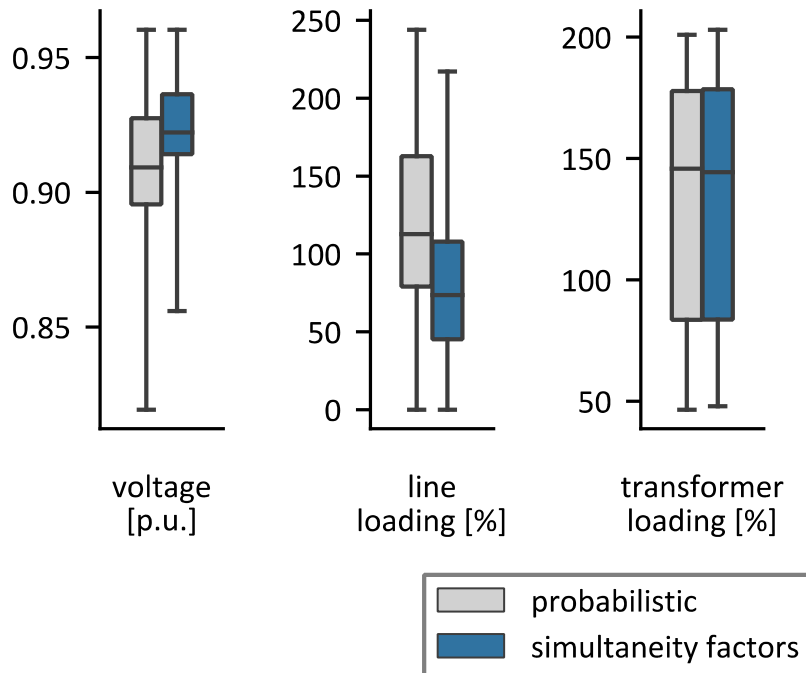


# Probabilistic Distribution Approach vs. Simultaneity Factors

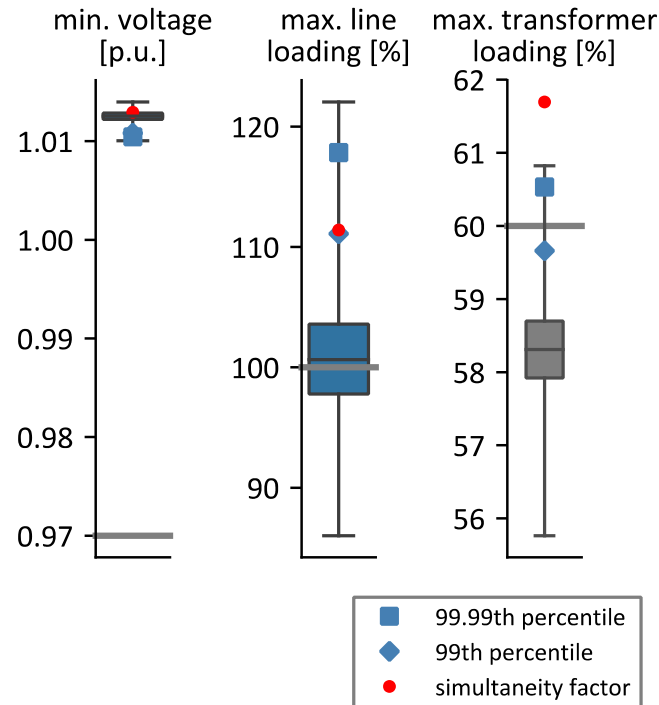
## Application and Comparison in Real Grids

### Min. voltages/ max. loadings for 100.000 BEV distributions

13 LV grids



MV grid



13 LV grids - Regarding the median:

- Min. voltages are 0.01 p.u. higher
- Max. line loadings are 40 percentage points lower,

• Transformer loadings hardly deviate when using simultaneity factors compared to the probabilistic approach.

**MV grid** - Only minor deviations between both approaches.

→ **Simultaneity factors are not well suited for small numbers of charging vehicles (e.g. LV feeders)**

→ **For larger numbers of BEVs (e.g. in MV grids) simultaneity factors are a good approximation**

# Comparison of different Charging Infrastructure Concepts

## Alternatives to Residential Charging

### Residential charging

- Areal distribution of 22 kW charging points in proportion to residential loads
- Total number of BEVs corresponds to total number of households supplied by the grid

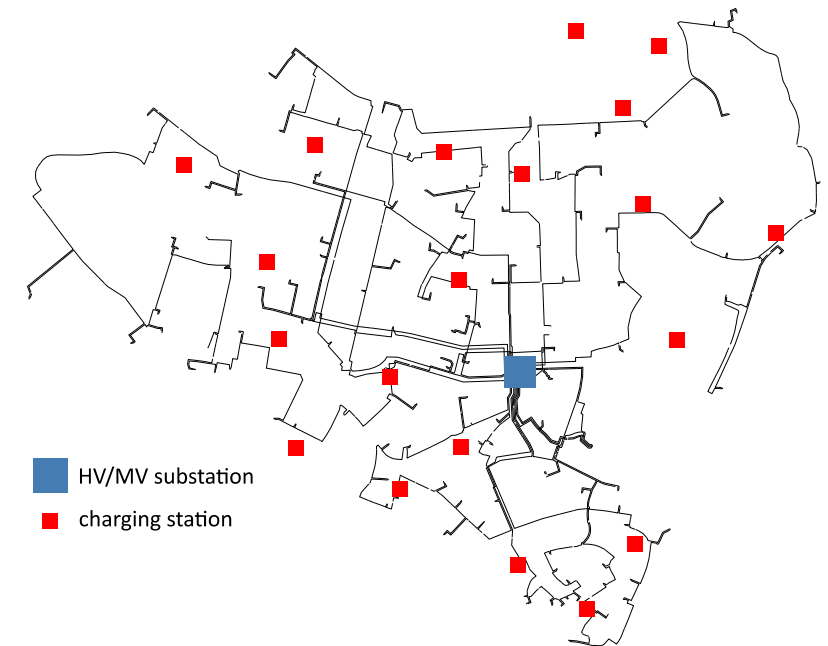
### Autonomous driving

- Like residential charging but BEVs are capable of autonomously driving to charging stations located near the HV/MV substation

### Fast charging

- 20 fast charging stations with six 350 kW charging points each
- Randomly distributed in the MV grid (min. distance of 300 meters)
- Two variants: 1) integration into the existing MV grid and 2) dedicated MV feeders
- Dedicated feeders allows for individually adapted planning principles like no (n-1) security, lower min. voltage limit

### MV grid with fast charging stations



# Reinforcement and Expansion Cost

## Integrated LV/MV Grid Model with probabilistic BEV Integration Scenarios

### Grid model

- 1 real MV grid and 13 real LV grids provided by the German DSO Stadtwerke Kiel
- Urban MV grid, that supplies 86 LV grids with ~23,000 households
- Not all original LV grids were available → missing LV grids are substituted with the most similar of the 13 available LV grids (with respect to number of households, rated transformer power...)

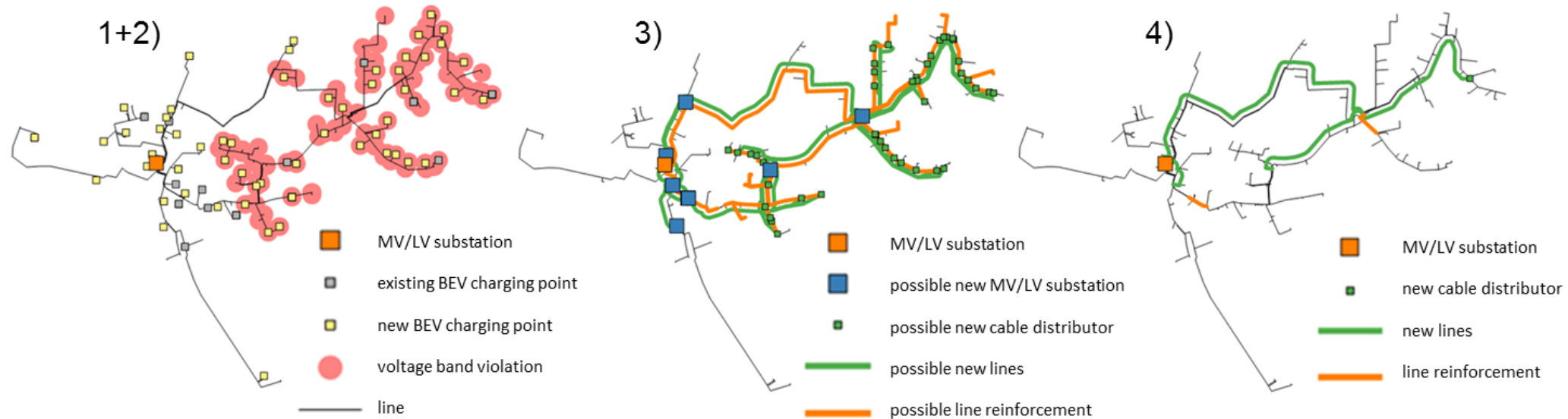
### Spatial variation of BEV charging point positions

- BEV charging points are randomly distributed according to the number of households per connection point
- Probabilistic approach: 10 variations of the spatial charging point distribution



# Reinforcement and Expansion Cost

## Automated Grid Planning



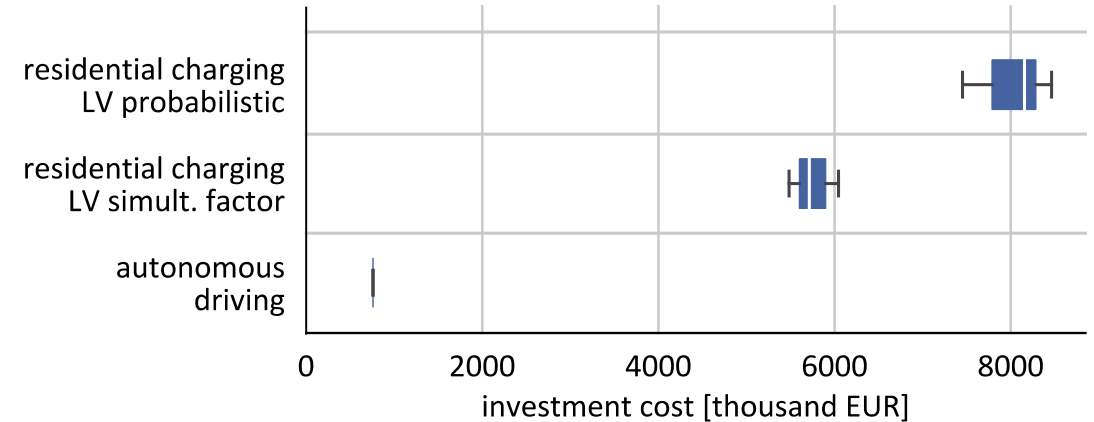
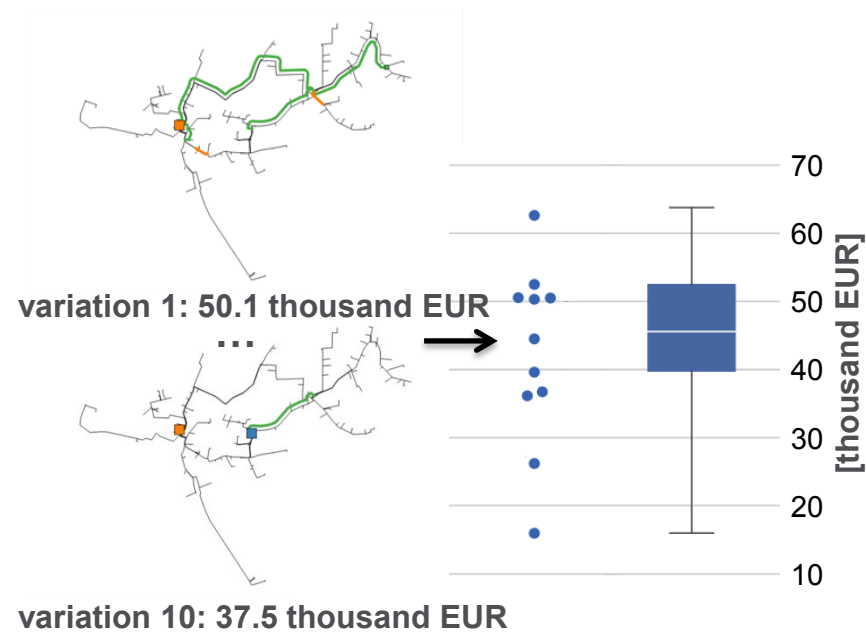
Automated grid planning with a heuristic optimization approach:

- 1) **Scenario implementation:** Additional loads are added to the grid model
- 2) **Analysis of possible violations:** Load flow calculations to identify voltage band violations, line and transformer overloading
- 3) **Identification of possible reinforcement and expansion measures**
- 4) **Heuristic optimization:** Search for the optimal subset of measures, that solves all violations with the least possible cost

# Reinforcement and Expansion Cost

## Residential Charging and Autonomous Driving

- 10 spatial distribution variations of BEV charging points result in a distribution of reinforcement and expansion cost
- Distribution width indicates the amount of uncertainty regarding expected investment cost



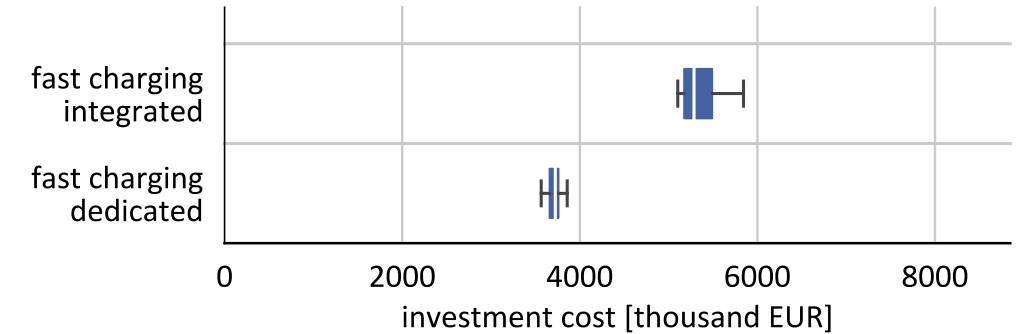
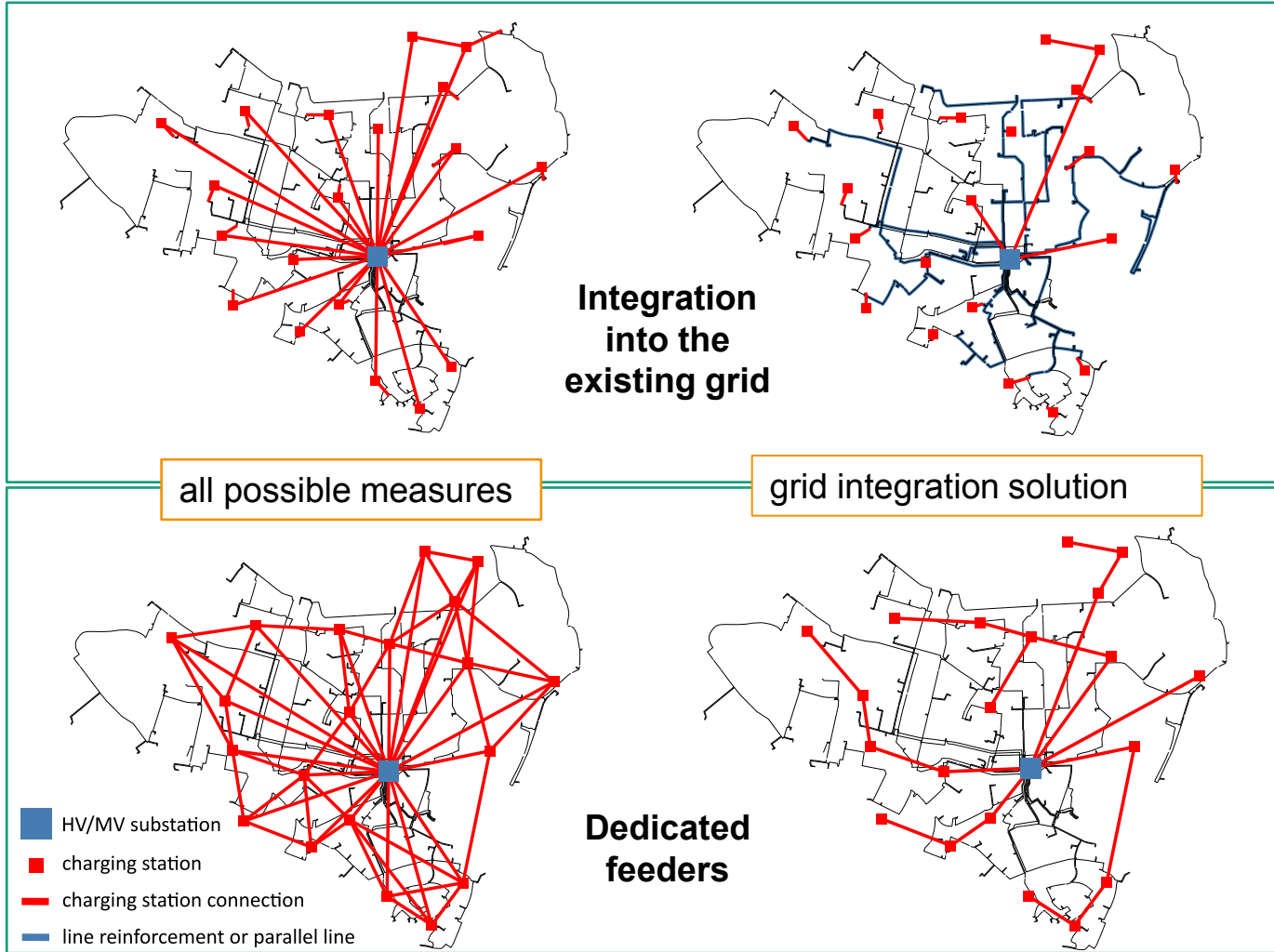
### Residential charging

- Median cost are 2.5 million EUR lower when using simultaneity factors and the spread of cost decreases
- Simultaneity factors underestimate violations which directly translates into underestimating cost

### Autonomous driving

- Investment cost around 800,000 EUR
- No variation (only HV/MV transformer replacement)
- Additional costs (coordination of vehicles, mileage, ...) are not considered

# Reinforcement and Expansion Cost Fast Charging Stations



- Integrating the fast charging stations into the existing grid leads to 1.6 million EUR higher median cost compared to dedicated feeders
- Investment cost for dedicated charging station feeders are more predictable and do not depend as much on the spatial distribution of the charging stations

# Summary and Conclusion

## Comparison of a probabilistic distribution approach to simultaneity factors

- The usage of simultaneity factors leads to an **underestimation** of power demand, violations and **grid integration cost** when applied on **small numbers** of BEVs (e.g. in LV feeders)
- Simultaneity factors seem to be **well suited** for application in **MV grids** or for assessing MV/LV transformer loading

## Comparison of charging infrastructure concepts

- The **autonomous driving** scenario shows cost saving potential compared to **residential charging** (note: only costs from a grid integration perspective are considered)
- Dedicated feeders for fast charging stations result in **more predictable and overall lower cost**

## Outlook and possible further studies

- Grid integrations studies with **combinations of different charging infrastructure concepts** and/or more grids
- More comprehensive assumptions for autonomous driving
- Quantification: What is the **limit** (number of BEVs) **for the application of simultaneity factors?**

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