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Testing integrated electric vehicle charging and domestic heating strategies for future UK housing

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ABSTRACT

A building simulation tool and electric vehicle (EV) charging algorithm were used to investigate the impact of electrified home heating and EV charging on the electrical demand characteristics of a net-zero-energy UK dwelling. A range of strategies by which EV charging and electrified heating could be controlled in order to minimise peak demands were tested, including off-peak load shifting, fast and slow vehicle charging, demand limited charging and heating, and bi-directional battery operation. These were compared to a base case without electrified heating and EV charging. The results indicate that the most effective operating strategy to minimise the impact of electrification on the mean peak household electrical demand was slow vehicle charging, coupled with off-peak heat pump operation. However, heat pump load shifting had an adverse impact on indoor temperatures. Off-peak-load-shifting of both the vehicle charging and heat pump operation proved counterproductive as this inadvertently synchronised both loads, resulting in high peak demands. The most successful strategy proved to be a combination of bi-directional battery operation, coupled with load controlled charging and heat pump operation—this approach limited average and absolute peak demands and almost eliminated the difference in absolute peak demands seen between fast and slow charging.

1. Introduction

The coming decades will herald a substantial change in the thermal and electrical demand of new and refurbished dwellings, brought about by a combination of improved thermal insulation and air tightness, the increased integration of microgeneration technologies such as PV, the possible electrification of heating through the use of heat pumps and the home-charging of part-or-all-electric vehicles (EV). Together, these changes would result in UK household demand characteristics being radically different from those seen today, where space heating dominate [30].

Improved thermal performance in both new build and retrofit housing would reduce the predominance of domestic space heating, placing more of a focus on the electrical and hot water demands. At present, in a typical UK dwelling, space heating accounts for around 65% of overall energy demand (Palmer and Cooper [30]), whilst in better insulated and sealed Passive House designs, space heating can be reduced by upwards of 80% [1]. The trend towards reduced space heating in UK dwellings is occurring now, with total household space heating demand declining by 21% since 2004—driven by more stringent building regulations along with higher energy costs and government incentives encouraging domestic fabric improvements (Palmer and Cooper [30]). Conversely, total household electrical demand has increased by approximately 15% over the same period (Palmer and Cooper [30])—driven by increasing numbers of appliances and behavioural changes such as increasing use of home entertainment devices and the advent of 'always on' devices such as broadband routers.

In tandem with changes in domestic energy demand, the supply of energy to UK dwellings is also undergoing a transformation, through the provision of thermal and electrical energy from local, low-carbon sources. For example, more than 2 GW of microgeneration capacity has been installed in the UK since the introduction of a feed-in-tariff (FIT) in 2010 [2]. This provides small scale producers (i.e. householders) with a guaranteed payment for each kW h of electricity produced by a household renewable source such as photovoltaic panels (PV).

For the UK is to achieve its ambitious target of an 80% greenhouse gas emissions reduction by 2050, relative to 1990 baseline, then the use of fossil fuels in domestic heating will need to be virtually eliminated [3] and replaced with zero carbon energy sources such as biomass, which realistically could only supply a fraction of

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Nomenclature

d	distance (km)
D	battery discharge (kW h/km)
F	cumulative probability (0–1)
k	Weibull distribution parameter (−)
L	parasitic discharge (kW h/km)
n	number of legs on a trip
p	probability (−)
P	power demand (W)
v	velocity (km/h)
x, y, z	random numbers (−)

Subscripts

h	hourly
H	household
MAX	maximum
MIN	minimum
OP–START/END	off peak tariff start/end time (h)

Greek symbols

Δt	time interval (s)
λ	Weibull distribution parameter (−)

heat demand [31], and renewable electricity. The latter requires the widespread uptake of heat pumps that shift the heating load from the natural gas to the electricity network. As the majority of current UK dwellings will still exist in 2050, [28] then a widespread heat pump retrofit programme would be required to bring about this shift. Air source heat pumps (ASHPs) have the potential to act as a replacement for the fossil-fuelled boilers most commonly found in UK housing. Additionally, their relatively low cost of installation and the lack of a requirement for ground works makes ASHPs a more feasible mass retrofit option than ground source heat pumps (GSHP). However, Wilson et al. [4] indicated that a shift of only 30% of domestic heating to heat pumps could result in an increase in the total UK electrical demand of some 25%.

The final development likely to have a significant impact on the characteristics of domestic demand is the growth in the use of electric vehicles (EVs). In the UK, the number of electric vehicles is still small as a percentage of the total fleet—some 0.1% of the total passenger cars licensed on UK roads [21]. However, their number is increasing exponentially. EVs shift the energy used for transportation from refined fossil fuels to the electricity network. In the UK, the domestic sector accounts for around 29% of UK final energy consumption, whilst the transport sector accounts for another 36% of demand [27]. The deployment of EVs at an increasing rate and the widespread electrification of domestic heating could lead to a massive rise in the demand for electricity and necessitate the upgrading of the UK's electricity distribution infrastructure. In this paper, the potential increase in electricity demand at the individual dwelling level is examined along with an investigation into the strategies that could be employed to mitigate the worst effects of this increase.

1.1. Previous work on domestic electrification

Many previous papers have analysed the thermal performance of future buildings (e.g. [5]), microgeneration and the electrification of heat (e.g. [4]), and the potential impact of EVs on the electrical network (e.g. [6]). However, there is a paucity of material looking specifically at the combinatorial effects of heat pumps and EVs on future domestic energy demands, and strategies to mitigate their impact—typically, studies treat the two topics separately. There are some examples in the literature that look at the integrated control of EV charging within a domestic context in order to mitigate demand peaks, but the majority of work focuses on the charging of many vehicles at the community (or larger) scale. Robinson et al. [7] analysed the results from a large UK field trail of electric vehicles, where the charging times of vehicles were unconstrained and vehicles could be charged at home or when parked away from home. Their results indicated a significant amount of peak-time charging. Razeghi et al. [8] used real US domestic electricity demand data coupled with stochastic vehicle charging profiles to look at the potential impact of EV charging on distribution transformers. The authors concluded that only in the case of uncontrolled fast charging of vehicles would there be the risk of transformer overloading. The study did not include heat pumps. In a study using economic optimisation, Hedegaard et al. [9] looked at the possible impact of EV charging in Northern European countries, indicating that coordinated charging of EV's can boost investment in wind power and reduce future investment requirements for thermal power plants. However, the study did not look at the implications for the transmission and generation infrastructure.

Of the studies looking at both the dwelling and EV, Asare-Bediako et al. [10] looked at the potential effect of heat electrification using micro-CHP and electric vehicles on domestic load profiles in the Netherlands using a bottom-up modelling approach. The authors concluded that the electrical load profile characteristics changed dramatically with reduced electrical peak demand in summer and increased demand in winter. The authors did not investigate the possibility of co-operation between the house and vehicle to limit peak demand, nor did they address the issue of heat pumps. Munkhammar et al. [11] used a stochastic, high-resolution model to examine the impact of EVs on domestic load and the self-consumption of PV-generated power in Swedish housing. Their paper highlighted the increase in domestic power consumption with the introduction of EVs and also noted that in many cases the use of EVs decreased the amount of load covered by the PV. This was due to the temporal mismatch between when PV power was available and when the EV charged (typically early morning or evening). Haines et al. [12] looked at the so-called vehicle-to-home concept (V2H), using the vehicle battery to co-operatively limit the peak demand of a UK household. The authors concluded that EVs could be used to limit peak demand and improve domestic load factors, other than in cases where the EV was used for a sizable commute. However, the study did not consider electrification of heating.

1.2. Scope of the paper

In the literature, the impact of wholesale domestic electrification (extending to heating and transportation) is rarely considered, and by extension, most mitigation strategies focus on only one aspect of demand. Consequently, this paper explores a range of strategies aimed at limiting the impact of both heat pumps and EVs on the electrical demand of future dwellings. The paper examines the peak electrical demand and the increase in household electrical energy use as both will have an impact on electrical infrastructure. Increased electrical energy use will lead to higher temperatures in electrical equipment and ultimately a shortening of its lifespan. However, a radical increase in peak demand could have the most acute impact, necessitating the wholesale replacement of electrical infrastructure such as cabling and electrical transformers.

A simulation model of a hypothetical future zero-energy dwelling (described later) was used as a virtual test bed to analyse the electrical demand of the household, accounting for electrified space heating, hot water demand, appliance and home charging of vehicles. The simulation model also allowed the impact of demand management measures on other aspects of performance to be

investigated—specifically the impact of heat pump demand management of the thermal performance of the dwelling and the impact of vehicle charging load management on the availability of the EV. The range of electrical demand strategies investigated using this model was as follows.

- *Time-shifting of heating*: where the operation of a heat pump was moved to periods of off-peak electrical demand (11 pm–7 am). This required that the heat pump was coupled to the heating system of the dwelling via a buffer tank.
- *Peak limited heating*: the operation of the heat pump was halted if the total household demand exceeded 7.5 kW[1].
- *Fast and slow battery charging*: charging rates of 3.3 and 6.6 kW were tested.
- *Time shifting of battery charging*: battery charging was restricted to periods of off-peak electrical demand.
- *Peak limited battery charging*: the battery was only charged when the load of the dwelling fell below 7.5 kW.
- *Bi-directional battery operation*: the battery was charged or discharged in order to limit the building demand at 7.5 kW.

Later, these individual strategies were combined into a set of modelled scenarios, which explored increasing levels of demand intervention in both vehicle charging and heating use.

2. Modelling household electrical demand

Hawkes and Leach [13] and Knight and Ribberink [14] argue that to properly capture the electrical demand characteristics and the exchange of electrical power between a dwelling and the grid, simulation time steps of less than 10 min are required. Consequently, to fully assess the impact of vehicle charging and the electrification of heating, the ESP-r building simulation tool [15], used as the modelling engine in this paper, has been upgraded to enable it to work at 1-min resolution and to simulate vehicle battery-charging loads. Further, a hypothetical zero-energy dwelling simulation model has been developed [16], complete with an EV.

ESP-r, allows the energy and environmental performance of the building and its energy systems to be determined over a user defined time interval (e.g. a day, week, year). The tool explicitly calculates all of the energy and mass transfer processes underpinning building performance. These include conduction and thermal storage in building materials, all convective and radiant heat exchanges (including solar processes and long wave exchange with the sky), air flows and interaction with plant and control systems. To achieve this, a physical description of the building (materials constructions, geometry, etc.) is decomposed into thousands of "control volumes". In this context, a control volume is an arbitrary region of space to which conservation equations for continuity, energy (thermal and electrical) and species can be applied and one or more characteristic equations formed. A typical building model will contain thousands of such volumes, with sets of equations extracted and grouped according to energy system. The solution of these equations sets with real, time-series climate data, coupled with control and occupancy-related boundary conditions yields the dynamic evolution of temperatures, energy exchanges (heat and electrical) and fluid flows within the building and its supporting systems. An exhaustive description of the theoretical basis of ESP-r is provided by Clarke [17].

[1] IEA EBC Annex 42 measured data [32] was reviewed to determine a typical dwelling maximum electrical demand limit for many of the scenarios above; this data shows maximum demand in UK-housing varying between 3.5 and 7.5 kW. In order to mitigate the effects of vehicle charging and electric heating on the existing electrical infrastructure it would be necessary to keep overall demand below these peaks. Consequently, the upper demand value of 7.5 kW was used in this paper in the control of heating and vehicle charging. However, the impact of varying the demand limit merits further investigation.

Table 1
Vehicle status changes.

Test result	Vehicle status	Vehicle status changes to
$x \geq$	Home	Absent
$p(t)$	Absent	Home
$x <$	Absent	Absent
$p(t)$	Home	Home

2.1. Adaptations to ESP-r

The ESP-r software has been extended from the standard release to enable its electrical systems algorithm [18] to use stochastic, electrical appliance demand data as a boundary condition. This data was generated at a 1-min time resolution using a customised version of a domestic appliance demand profile tool [19], which also produced matching thermal gains profiles. Additionally, a new algorithm was developed, based on the work of Jordan and Vajen [29], which enabled stochastic, sub-hourly resolution domestic hot water draws to be generated during a simulation. Finally, using the work of McCracken [20], 1-min solar data was generated, based-on the existing hourly solar data found in ESP-r's climate data files. This allowed the electrical output from PV to reflect the variability observed in solar radiation levels for a maritime climate like the UK's. This variability is lost when using the hourly-averaged climate data typically used by building simulation tools. These adaptations to ESP-r are described in detail in Hand et al. [16].

Fig. 1 shows typical high-temporal-resolution simulation output including appliance electrical demand and demand associated with the operation of a heat pump.

2.2. Vehicle and battery algorithm

In addition to the high temporal resolution modifications outlined in the previous paragraphs, a stochastic, electric vehicle (EV) charging algorithm has been developed for the ESP-r tool. The primary role of this algorithm is to mimic the effect of electric vehicle charging on the dwelling's overall electrical demand. The model has several functions, these are: (1) determine when a vehicle leaves and then returns from a trip; (2) calculate the trip distance and subsequent depletion of the battery; and (3) re-charge or discharge the battery according to a user-selected control strategy.

The EV model can take four basic states: *idle*—the vehicle is present and not charging; *absent*—the vehicle is on a trip, *charging*—the vehicle is present and charging or *discharging*—the vehicle is present and discharging power back to the network. There is an explicit assumption made in the algorithm that all trips have 1 outward and 1 return leg and that the distance travelled in the return leg is the same as the outbound trip. Additionally, all charging is assumed to occur at home.

To determine if a trip leg is made, the algorithm generates a random number, x, at each simulation time step and this is tested against a time-dependent trip probability $p(t)$ (see Table 1) to determine:

(a) whether the EV will depart on a trip (if the vehicle is present); or
(b) when it returns home from a trip (when the vehicle is absent).

The time-varying hourly probabilities for one leg of a trip for weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays are shown in Fig. 2; these were taken from the 2013 UK travel survey [21] and Huang and Infield

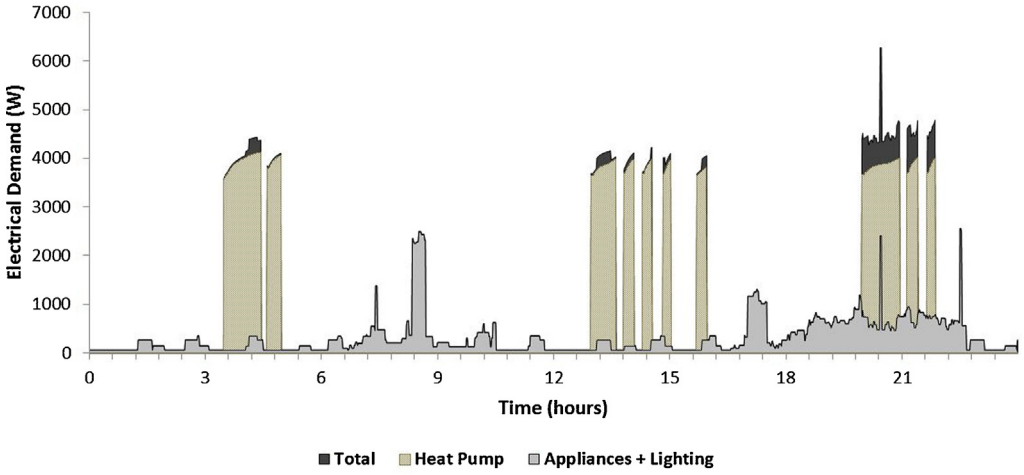

Fig. 1. Simulation output at 1-min time resolution.

[22]. The probabilities needed to be modified as follows to account for sub-hourly time steps and the assumption that each vehicle trip comprises two legs.

$$p(t) = p_h(t)\left(\frac{\Delta t}{3600}\right) n \tag{1}$$

here $p_h(t)$ is the probability that a trip leg will be made in a particular hour, Δt is the simulation time step and n is the assumed number of legs per trip.

The model also includes an allowance for 'range anxiety'. It was assumed that if the state of charge (SOC) is below 35% (i.e. enough charge for an average trip) then the vehicle will continue to charge and a trip will not be made. If the vehicle has returned from a trip (status has changed from 'absent' to 'home'), the model calculates a feasible distance travelled and then the state of charge of the battery. The cumulative probability of particular trip of distance d taking place was characterised using a Weibull distribution with a λ value of 22.4 and a k value of 0.8, calibrated using UK survey data [21]

$$F = 1 - e^{-(d/\lambda)^k} \tag{2}$$

The total distance, d, travelled (over the two legs) can therefore be calculated using Eq. (3). Here, y is a random number with a value between 0 and 1.

$$d = \lambda(-\ln(1-y))^k \tag{3}$$

This distance is checked against the time the vehicle has been absent (Δt) and the maximum speed that the vehicle can legally travel, v_{max} giving a maximum permissible distance travelled $d_{max} = v_{max}\Delta t/3600$—if the distance travelled exceeds this, then d is set to d_{max}.

The SOC of the battery on returning from a trip is calculated using Eq. (4), where D is the nominal discharge rate of the battery in kW h/km and L represents any user-defined parasitic losses for the battery when the car is moving (e.g. any draws on the battery from the heating or cooling system not accounted for in D).

$$\mathrm{SOC}(t+\Delta t) = \mathrm{SOC}(t) - (D+L)v \tag{4}$$

Finally, the model encompasses a range of charging strategies, as outlined in Table 2. Depending on the strategy chosen for the model, the vehicle state will change from *idle* to *charging* on return from a trip.

Note that the random number generator in both the hot water draw algorithm, mentioned previously and the vehicle algorithm employs a seed, which generates a unique pseudo-random series. Additionally, the high resolution solar data and electrical demand use pre-simulated profiles. Consequently, the simulations described later are repeatable, provided that the same seeds are used in the random number generator.

2.3. Dwelling model

An ESP-r model of a zero-energy dwelling was used as the basis of the simulations reported in this paper—this is shown in Fig. 3. The integrated model comprises the dwelling fabric and geometry, heating and ventilation system and the vehicle charging algorithm. Simulation of the model provided data on the thermal performance

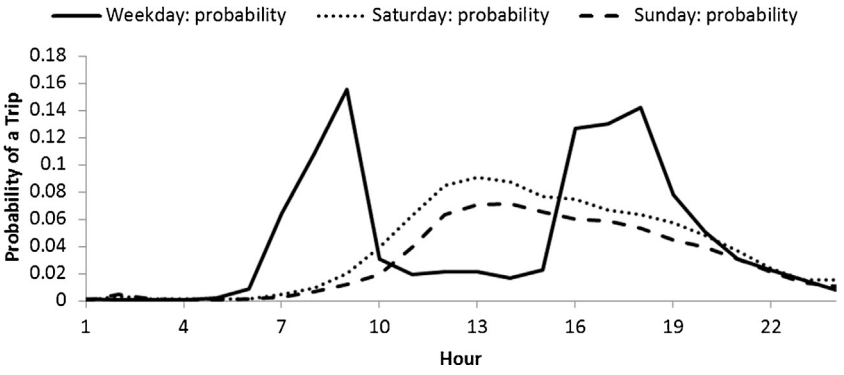

Fig. 2. Hourly probabilities of a trip leg being taken over a 24-h period [22].

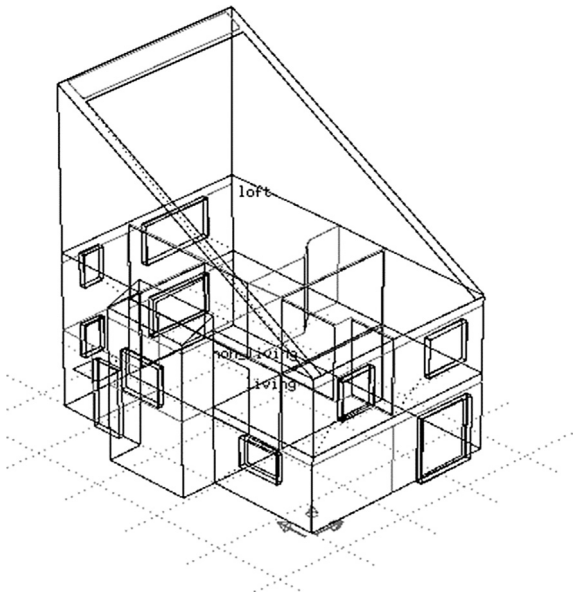

Fig. 3. Wireframe view of the zero-energy dwelling model.

of the building and systems, their electrical demand and the electrical demand associated with the use of the EV.

The dwelling model was divided into three zones: a loft zone and two composite zones describing, (respectively), the areas of the dwelling hosting active occupancy such as the living room and kitchen and those areas that have low occupancy rates or that are occupied at night such as bathrooms and bedrooms, respectively. For each of these zones the air and fabric temperature temperatures, heat fluxed and mass flows were calculated on a timestep-by-timestep basis, accounting for internal gains from occupants and appliances, climate interaction and the influence of the heating and ventilation system.

Table 2
Vehicle battery charging strategy summary..

Strategy	Comments	Criteria
Fast charge	Vehicle will charge at the maximum allowable rate $P_{V\,FAST}$ until the battery is fully charged	$SOC < SOC_{MAX}$
Slow charge	Vehicle charges at a reduced rate P_{SLOW}	$SOC < SOC_{MAX}$
Off peak fast or slow charge	Vehicle charged at $P_{V\,SLOW/FAST}$ if within the off peak period 11 pm–7 am	$SOC < SOC_{MAX}$; $t_{OP-START} < t < t_{OP-END}$
Load sensitive fast or slow charging	Vehicle charged at $P_{V\,SLOW/FAST}$ only if the household demand, P_H, is below a user defined maximum, $P_{H\,MAX}$. Otherwise the charging is stopped or the charging rate is modulated.	$SOC < SOC_{MAX}$; $t_{OP-START} < t < t_{OP-END}$; $P_H < P_{H\,MAX}$.
Bi-directional battery operation	Vehicle charged at $P_{V\,SLOW/FAST}$ only if the household demand, P_H, is below a user defined maximum, $P_{H\,MAX}$ OR If the household demand exceeds $P_{H\,MAX}$ and the battery SOC is above the minimum, the battery is discharged to help meet the household load. Otherwise charging is stopped	$P_H < P_{H\,MAX}$. OR $SOC > SOC_{MIN}$; $P_H > P_{H\,MAX}$

Table 3
Summary of dwelling geometric characteristics.

Floor area (m^2)	82.7
External surface area (m^2)	151
Heated volume (m^3)	230
Glazed area (m^2)	21.45
'Day' zone floor area (m^2)	34.8
'Night' zone floor area (m^2)	47.9

The geometric characteristics are summarised in Table 3; this geometrically aggregated form of the model captures the pertinent thermodynamic characteristics of the building's performance and has been deployed successfully in other studies, e.g. [23].

The model features a mono pitch roof to accommodate the 45 m^2 (8 kWp) of PV panels, used to offset the regulated electrical demands and appliance energy demands. The PV does not offset the electrical demand of the EV. The building has a wooden frame construction, is super-insulated with triple-glazed windows, has high air tightness, mechanical ventilation heat recovery (MVHR) and meets passive house standards on energy use. The characteristics of the key fabric elements are as shown in Table 4.

2.3.1. Heat pump/MVHR system and operating strategies

The heating and ventilation system used in the dwelling model is shown in Fig. 4; the system is modelled as a network in ESP-r, comprising a group of interconnected components, each modelled explicitly.

The air source heat pump is the primary heat source for the dwelling, with a 6 kW nominal heating capacity and nominal coefficient of performance (COP) of 3; both the COP and the heating capacity of the ASHP vary with the ambient temperature and the 500 L buffer tank temperature which it charges. The buffer allows the heat pump to be operated flexibly in time: the heat pump charges the thermal buffer, which then supplies the heat for space heating and hot water at a later time. The development and verification of the heat pump model is described in more detail by Kelly and Cockroft [24] and Kelly et al. [25].

The heating system model also includes a dedicated 500 L domestic hot water (DHW) tank and 3 m^2 of roof-mounted solar thermal collectors. The tank is heated from the ASHP buffer tank and from the roof mounted collectors. The draw from the DHW tank is calculated using the stochastic hot water demand algorithm mentioned previously. An additional feature of the systems model is a 200 L grey water heat recovery tank (GWHR): this uses the waste hot water to pre-heat the incoming cold-feed to the DHW tank via a heat exchanger. The model assumes that the energy content of the waste hot water is 80% of that drawn from the DHW tank. All of

Table 4
Characteristics of constructions used in the dwelling model.

Construction	Details	*U*-value ($W/m^2\,K$)
External walls	Weatherboard air SIP panel with 300 mm insulation service void plasterboard 484 mm	0.104
Floor	200 mm insulation under concrete slab with void and carpet over plywood	0.151
Ceiling	Plasterboard with 400 mm glass wool 420 mm	0.098
Roofing	Slate roof over battens (cold roof)	3.636
Glazing	Triple glazing argon filled low-e coatings 42 mm	0.89

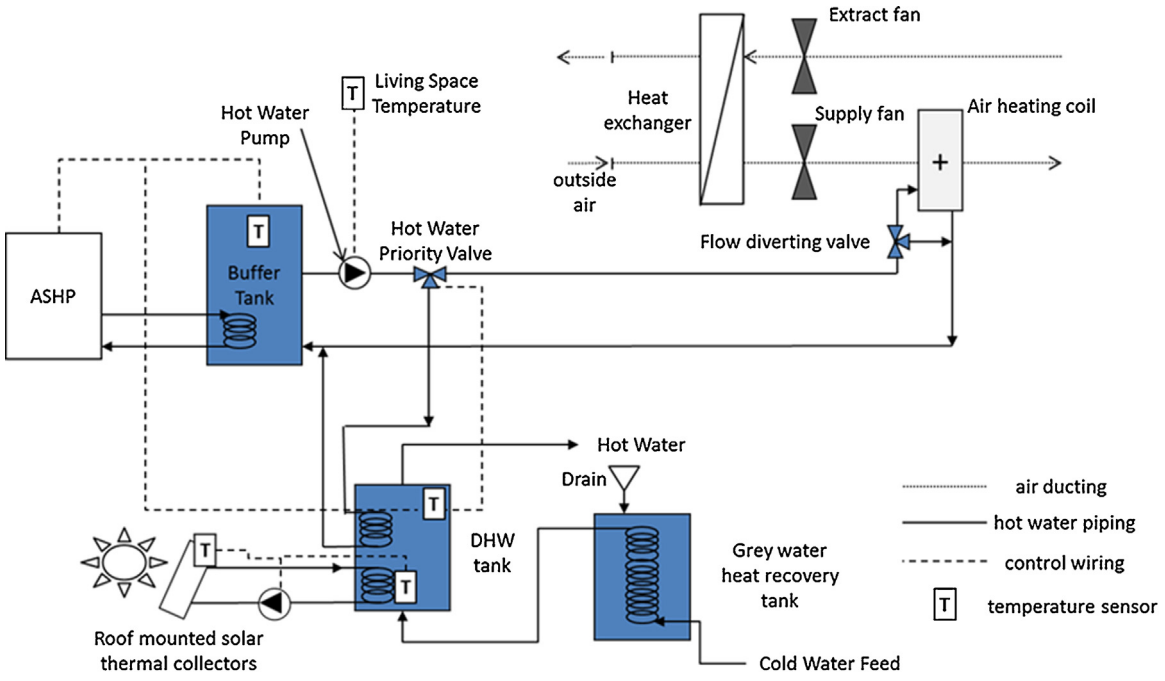

Fig. 4. The heating and ventilation systems model for the dwelling.

the tanks modelled account for thermal stratification and standing losses.

The ventilation system includes a heat exchanger and supply and extracts fans. Both fans are assumed to operate continuously and the flow through both each is 0.026 m^3/s, providing a ventilation rate of 0.4 air changes per hour. Their combined power draw is 36 W. The heat exchanger has an effectiveness of 80%. The ventilation system supply and extract branches are coupled directly to the day and night zones of the building model.

Solution of the systems model provides time-series data on the temperatures of the individual components, inter-component heat and mass transfer and where appropriate their primary energy use, accounting for control action and the influence of the climate and indoor conditions in the dwelling.

2.3.2. System control strategy

Three operating strategies were used with the heat pump, there are shown in Table 5; these place different restrictions on when the heat pump can operate.

The general control strategy for the heat pump is that, when able to operate, it is to maintain the buffer tank temperature between 50 and 55 °C, (on/off control with a 10 °C dead band), with the circulating pump then providing heat for the hot water tank and heating coil if there is a requirement for either space heating or hot water. Ideally, the DHW tank is maintained between 43 and 45 °C. The flow to the heating coil in the MVHR system is modulated using a valve component to maintain space temperatures, where possible, between 19 and 22 °C.

As is common in UK heating systems, priority is given to hot water—the hot water priority valve diverts all of the heat supply to the hot water tank if this is below the set point temperature. Only when the hot water tank is between 43 and 45 °C is heat supplied to the heating coil.

Table 5
Heat pump operating restrictions.

Time-based control (unrestricted operation during active occupancy)	Intermittent dwelling occupancy is assumed and the heat pump is free to operate at any point between 6 am and 9 am and 4 pm and 11 pm.
Off-peak operation	The operation of the heat pump is restricted to the period between 11 pm and 7 am.
Load sensitive operation	The heat pump can to operate at any point between 6 am and 9 am and 4 pm and 11 pm. However, if the total household electrical demand exceeds 7.5 kW, the operation of the heat pump is halted until demand falls below this level.

2.3.3. Electric vehicle

The EV charging model used in the simulations is calibrated to be representative of a Nissan Leaf [26] with the key model parameters are shown in Table 6.

2.3.4. Electrical power flows

Whilst calculating the thermal performance of the dwelling and its system, the model also tracks the overall, time-varying electrical performance, accounting for the electrical generation from the PV rooftop installation, electrical demands associated with the ASHP and ventilation system, appliance demand and resultant real power exchange with the network. As this is a domestic example, reactive power flows were not considered.

Table 6
Key EV model characteristics [26,21].

Battery capacity (kW h)	24
Fast charging power (kW)	6.6
Slow charging power (kW)	3.0
Minimum (SOC %)	20
Range anxiety (SOC %)	35
Charge/discharge efficiency (%)	90
Discharge rate (kW h/km)	0.15
Nominal annual distance travelled (km)	13,600
Nominal trip distance (km)	22.1
Distance equation 'λ' (−)	22.4
Distance equation 'k' (−)	0.8

Table 7
Scenarios modelled.

Base Case—no EV, no Heat Pump	The house is assumed to be heated using an alternative low-carbon heat source such as biomass and there is no EV
Case 1—unrestricted + slow charging	Both heating system operation and vehicle charging are unrestricted. The vehicle is slow charged at 3.3 kW when it returns from trips and heat is supplied when required
Case 2—unrestricted + fast charging	Both heating system operation and vehicle charging are unrestricted. The vehicle is fast charged at 6.6 kW when it returns from trips and heat is supplied when required
Case 3—load sensitive vehicle battery slow-charging	The vehicle battery is charged at 3.3 kW if the dwelling and vehicle demand would be less than 7.5 kW. Heat pump operation is unrestricted
Case 4—load sensitive vehicle battery fast-charging	The vehicle battery is charged at 6.6 kW when the overall dwelling and vehicle demand would be less than 7.5 kW. Heat pump operation is unrestricted
Case 5—off-peak heating and unrestricted slow charging	The heating buffer tank (Fig. 4) is charged by the heat pump during off peak periods (11 pm–7 am); vehicle battery charging at 3.3 kW is unrestricted
Case 6—off peak heating and unrestricted fast charging	The heating buffer tank (Fig. 4) is charged by the heat pump during off peak periods (11 pm–7 am); vehicle battery charging at 6.6 kW is unrestricted
Case 7—off peak slow battery charging and heating	Both slow vehicle charging at 3.3 kW and heat pump operation are shifted to off peak periods (11 pm–7 am)
Case 8—off-peak fast battery charging and heating	Both fast vehicle charging at 6.6 kW and heat pump operation are shifted to off peak periods (11 pm–7 am)
Case 9—load sensitive heat pump and slow battery charge	The heat pump only operates if the dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Vehicle charging at 3.3 kW is unrestricted
Case 10—load sensitive heat pump and fast battery charge	The heat pump only operates if the dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Vehicle charging at 6.6 kW is unrestricted
Case 11—bi-directional slow battery charging/discharging	The vehicle battery is only charged at 3.3 kW when the overall dwelling and vehicle demand would be less than 7.5 kW. Otherwise the vehicle battery charging is reduced or if necessary it is discharged to limit the peak load. Heat pump operation is unrestricted
Case 12—bi-directional fast battery charging/discharging	The vehicle battery is only charged at 6.6 kW when the overall dwelling and vehicle demand would be less than 7.5 kW. Otherwise the vehicle battery charging rate is reduced or if necessary it is discharged to limit the peak demand. Heat pump operation is unrestricted
Case 13—load sensitive slow battery charging and heat pump use	Heat pump operation and vehicle charging at 3.3 kW only occur if dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Heat pump operation is prioritised
Case 14—load sensitive fast battery charging and heat pump use	Heat pump operation and vehicle charging at 6.6 kW only occur if dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Heat pump operation is prioritised
Case 15—bi-directional slow battery charging and load sensitive heat pump	Heat pump and vehicle charging at 3.3 kW can only occur if the dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Otherwise the battery charging rate is reduced or if necessary it is discharged to meet the household load. Heat pump operation is prioritised
Case 16—bi-directional slow battery charging and load sensitive heat pump	Heat pump and fast vehicle charging only occur if the dwelling demand is below 7.5 kW. Otherwise the battery charging rate is reduced or if necessary it is discharged to meet the household load. Heat pump operation is prioritised

3. Method

A scenario-based approach was adopted in order to assess the impact of the different combinations of heating control and EV charging strategies. A total of 16 cases were investigated, covering different combinations of charging and heating strategy and a base case which excludes the demand from the heat pump and EV, the assumption being made that these services are provided by other (non-electrical) energy sources, as typically occurs at present in the UK. In other countries where electric heating is the norm, a different base case model may be appropriate and the difference between base case and fully electrified cases would be less stark. All of the cases modelled are summarised in Table 7.

All of the scenarios were simulated at 1-min time resolution over the winter months of January and February using a southern UK climate data set. A winter period such as this constitutes a 'worst case scenario' for electrical demand, as the dwelling heating demand will be at its highest, PV output at its lowest.

Note that where the vehicle charging or heat pump operation was modulated according to the demand limit of 7.5 kW, demand may still rise above this level due to the power use from other appliances in the house. Further, breaches of the demand limit may occur in the cases where the vehicle battery is allowed to discharge to limit demand if the vehicle is absent on a trip and unable to contribute.

4. Results and discussion

Three different elements of performance were reviewed using the results from the scenarios listed in Table 7. These were as follows.

1. The combined electrical demand of the dwelling and vehicle, specifically looking at the mean peak demand, load duration and the overall electrical energy use were analysed in order to gauge the effect of the different peak demand limiting measures tested.
2. The performance of the EV over the simulated period was reviewed, looking at the number of trips and distance travelled to determine if the demand limiting measures had any significant impact on the vehicle use.
3. The energy performance of the heating system was analysed, particularly the indoor air temperatures and hot water temperatures, in order to determine if heat pump load management

Table 8a
Electrical demand data from the base case and scenarios 1–16.

Scenario	Base case	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Elec. demand (kW h)	387.8	1106.1	1136.9	1081.2	1074.6	1137.6	1133.3	1124.1	1144.2
EV demand (kW h)	–	395.8	426.4	379.8	365.0	443.4	426.4	408.8	425.9
Appl. demand (kW h)	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7
ASHP demand (kW h)	–	279.8	273.9	273.9	271.6	269.7	269.7	269.1	269.1
PV output (kW h)	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7
Elec. export (kW h)	139.3	112.9	116.1	110.1	118.5	106.3	116.3	128.2	128.2
Self-consumption (kW h)	84.4	110.8	107.6	113.6	105.2	117.4	107.4	95.5	95.5
BOP and losses (kW h)	160.4	144.0	134.7	149.9	131.0	156.6	133.9	113.1	110.1
Abs peak demand (kW)	5.12 @7 d19 h41 m*	10.08@4 d7 h46 m	12.22@7 d9 h11 m	8.01@47 d19 h26 m	8.25 @4 d8 h11 m	7.96 @42 d1 h6 m	11.33 @42 d1 h6 m	9.09 @12 d1 h1 m	11.57 @16 d1 h16 m
Ave daily peak demand (kW)	2.29	6.15	7.53	6.03	6.78	4.96	6.86	5.81	7.45
Max P export (kW)	2.28@45 d11 h 51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m	2.24 @45 d11 h51 m
Ave daily peak export (kW)	1.0	0.95	0.93	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.96

Scenario	Base case	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Elec. demand (kW h)	387.8	1134.4	1150.5	1143.2	1153.0	1138.2	1157.3	1139.7	1153.2
EV demand (kW h)	–	428.3	431.2	428.3	428.7	428.2	432.3	428.3	432.4
Appl. demand (kW h)	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7	463.7
ASHP demand (kW h)	–	277.7	279.0	286.4	286.1	281.3	283.3	283.3	281.5
PV output (kW h)	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7	223.7
Elec. export (kW h)	139.3	110.7	119.6	110.3	117.2	110.7	120.7	110.0	118.4
Self-consumption (kW h)	84.4	113.0	104.1	113.4	106.5	113.0	103.0	113.7	105.3
BOP and losses (kW h)	160.4	148.3	127.6	148.6	132.1	148.0	125.1	149.3	129.8
Max demand (kW)	5.12 @7 d19 h41 m	7.82@27 d12 h51 m	9.91@14 d16 h11 m	7.61@47 d19 h16 m	7.78@47 d19 h21 m	7.53@27 d12 h51 m	7.97@3 d18 h51 m	7.48@19 d9 h26 m	7.49@45 d18 h41 m
Ave daily peak import kW	2.29	5.57	7.07	5.71	6.55	5.54	6.78	5.47	6.42
Max export (kW)	2.28@45 d11 h 51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m	2.24@45 d11 h51 m
Ave daily peak export (kW)	1.0	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.93	0.96	0.93

* @44 d1 h6 m—indicates occurrence on day 44 at 1:06 am.

Table 8b
EV performance data from the base case and scenarios 1–8.

Scenario	Base case	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
EV demand (kW h)	–	395.8	426.4	379.8	365.0	443.4	426.4	408.8	425.9
Distance travelled (km)	–	2388.4	2588.7	2292.4	2219.6	2673.5	2588.7	2547.2	2620.3
Return trips (–)	–	107	112	111	109	112	112	103	105
Maximum charge time (min)	–	328	172	368	190	348	172	1156	998
Max. discharge-to-house time (min)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Number of discharges-to-house (–)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Mean SOC (%)	–	97.1	98.3	96.8	99.0	96.0	98.3	74.1	78.2

Scenario	Base case	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
EV demand (kW h)	–	428.3	431.2	428.3	428.7	428.2	432.3	428.3	432.4
Distance travelled (km)	–	2583.3	2615.8	2583.3	2598.7	2583.3	2621.0	2583.3	2621.0
Return trips (–)	–	106	102	106	102	106	101	106	101
Maximum charge time (min)	–	387.0	193.0	387.0	248.0	387.0	214.0	392.0	249.0
Max. discharge-to-house time (min)	–	–	–	6	10	–	–	0	1
Number of discharges-to-house (–)	–	–	–	1	1	–	–	0	1
Mean SOC (%)	–	95.7	98.2	95.6	97.8	95.7	98.1	95.7	97.9

measures had any adverse impact on the comfort of building occupants or reduced the availability of hot water.

The simulation results are summarised in Tables 8a–8c. The following paragraphs review general trends emerging from the simulations, followed by more specific reviews of the different charging strategies.

4.1. Electrical energy use

As would be expected, the use of an electric vehicle and the electrification of domestic heating results in an electrical energy demand more than double the electrical consumption compared to the base case over the simulated period. In the base case, only appliance demand in considered, as it is assumed that heating and transport are assumed to be provided by non-electric means. The use of the EV and heat pump also increased the self-consumption of PV generated electricity and decreased the amount of power exported to the grid. This is shown in Fig. 5, the data for which can be seen in Table 8a.

4.2. Instantaneous demand

Fig. 6 shows the two demand metrics culled from the simulations—the absolute peak demand and mean daily peak demand (the sum of the each daily peak demand divided by the number of days simulated—59). The efficacy of the specific demand limiting measures in relation to each of these metrics is discussed below. However, some general trends are evident across all of the cases simulated. First, the mean and absolute peak demands increase compared to the base case, no matter what demand limiting strategy adopted. Second, fast charging results in higher mean and absolute peak demands in all cases, though the difference between the two could be minimised, as will be discussed later.

4.3. Unrestricted charging and heating

Comparing the results from scenarios 1 and 2 shown in Table 8a (unrestricted slow and fast vehicle charging, respectively, and unrestricted heating operation) to the base case, indicates that for the two winter months simulated the electrical energy use increased from approximately 390 kW h for the base case to over 1000 kW h in all other scenarios. The mean daily peak electrical demand in the base case was 2.29 kW, this increased to 6.15 kW with unrestricted heating operation and unrestricted slow charging and 7.53 kW with unrestricted heating and fast charging. The corresponding absolute peak demands were 10.08 and 12.22 kW, respectively. Fig. 7 shows the resulting electrical demand profiles for a typical day for slow and fast charging.

Table 8b shows the maximum charge times, these were 328 min with slow charging, and 172 min with fast charging. With slow charging, the vehicle was used for 107 trips and 112 with fast charging. The distance travelled with fast charging was 2588 km compared to 2388 km with slow charging. In both the fast and slow charging cases, the self-consumption of PV-generated electricity (Table 8a) was increased at the expense of electricity exported to the network. In the base case, for the two months simulated, self-consumption was 84.4 kW h, whilst 139 kW h of electricity was exported. With the addition of the EV and heat pump, self-consumption in the slow and fast charging cases rose to 111 and 108 kW h, respectively. Electrical exports dropped to 113 and 116 kW h, respectively, over the same period. The same trend was evident in all of the other 14 scenarios simulated.

Table 8c
Heating performance data from the base case and scenarios 1–8.

Scenario	Base case	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ASHP demand (kW h)	–	279.8	273.9	273.9	271.6	269.7	269.7	269.1	269.1
ASHP heat output (kW h)	–	858.5	841.3	839.3	832.1	833.8	833.8	832.3	832.3
Mean air temp. occupied hours (°C)	21.4	21.3	21.4	21.3	21.3	21.2	21.2	21.2	21.2
% of time air temp <18 °C	0.17	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.1
Mean hot water temp. hours (°C)	53.8	53.8	54.0	54.1	54.1	53.3	53.3	53.3	53.3

Scenario	Base case	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
ASHP demand (kW h)	–	277.7	279.0	286.4	286.1	281.3	283.3	283.3	281.5
ASHP heat output (kW h)	–	853.1	856.8	867.7	868.1	854.9	865.0	859.8	862.1
Mean air temp. occupied hours (°C)	21.4	21.4	21.3	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.4	21.3
% of time air temp <18 °C	0.17	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.4
Mean hot water temp. hours (°C)	53.8	54.0	53.9	54.1	54.0	54.0	54.0	54.1	53.9

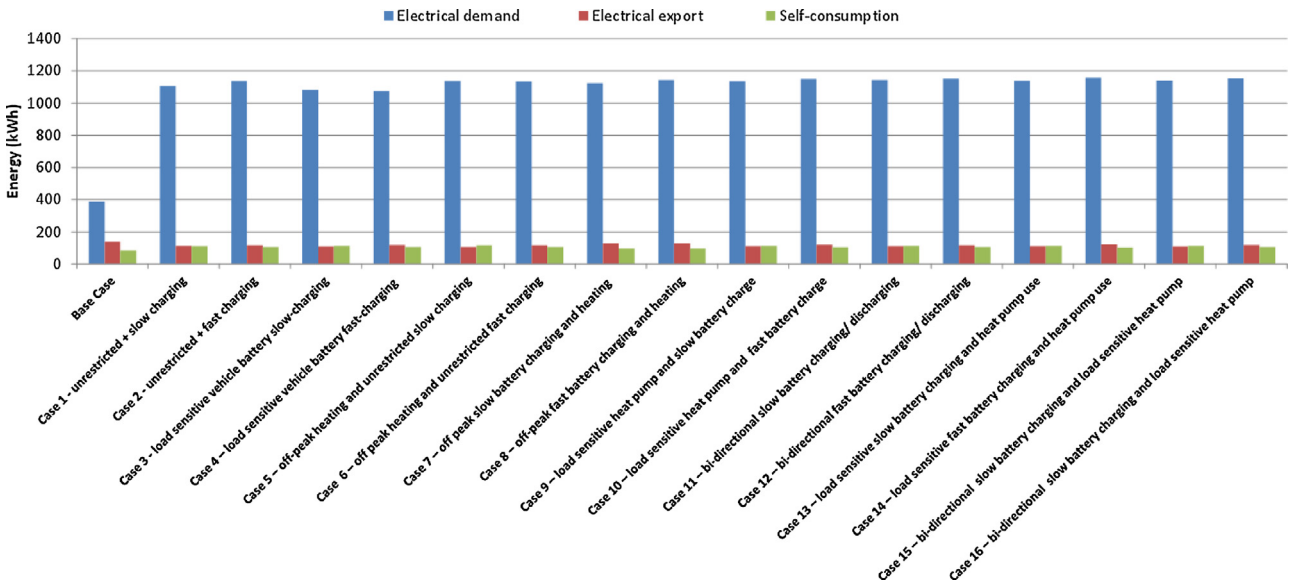

Fig. 5. Electrical energy demand, export and self-consumption for each case simulated.

4.4. Demand limited vehicle charging

For scenarios 3 and 4, charging of the battery was subject to a demand limit of 7.5 kW, with charging being modulated or stopped if the household demand (including the heat pump) exceeded this limit. Table 8a shows the mean daily peak household demand occurring in these scenarios, this was 6.03 kW in the slow charging case and 6.78 kW with fast charging. The corresponding absolute peak demands were 8.01 and 8.25 kW, respectively. The demand limiting strategy made little difference to the mean peak daily demands (compared to unrestricted vehicle charging); however, it did limit the absolute peak demand and reduced the difference between the mean and absolute peak demand values.

The maximum battery charge time (Table 8b) increased slightly for slow charging from 328 to 368 min and for fast charging from 172 to 190 min, indicating that some modulation of both the and slow fast charge occurred due to the 7.5 kW constraint. The modulation of full-power charging is clearly shown in Fig. 8 (lower plot). The total number of trips taken was 111 and 109 in the slow and fast charging cases, respectively. This indicated that the demand limiting strategy had little impact on vehicle use.

4.5. Off peak heating

Fig. 9 shows the typical daily demand profiles for this strategy for slow and fast vehicle charging, with the heat pump charging the buffer tank during the night. Table 8a shows that the mean, daily

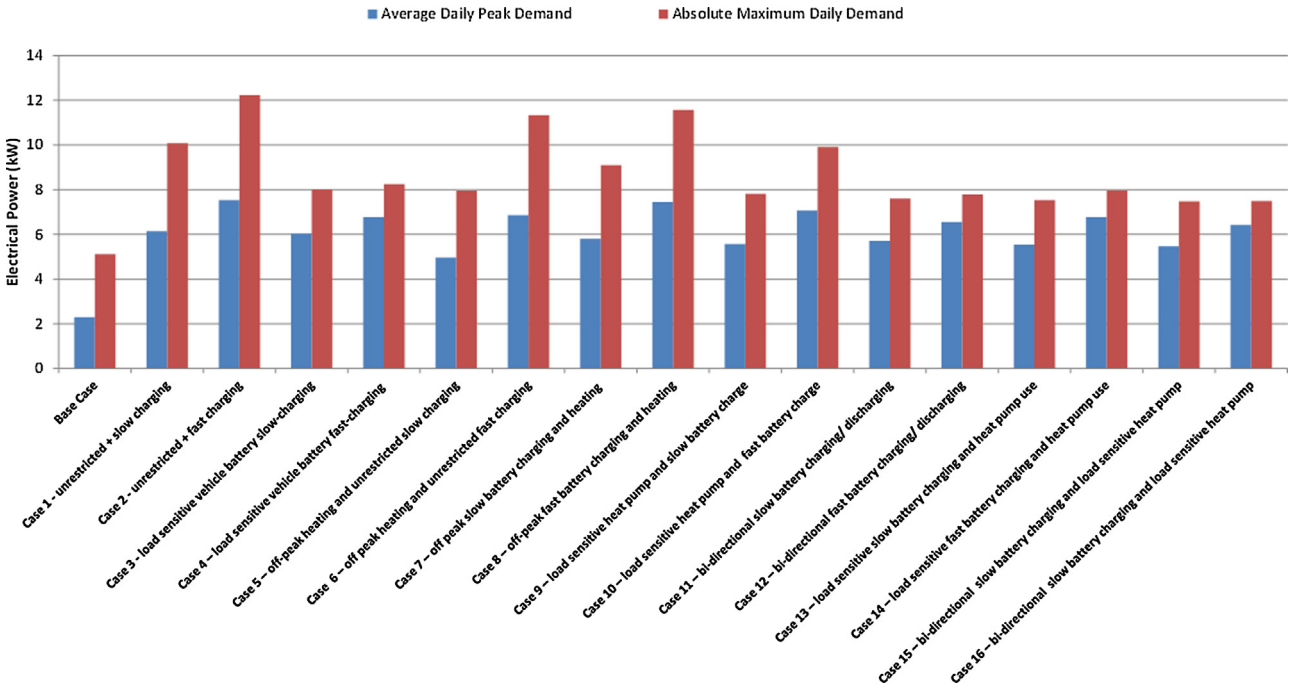

Fig. 6. Average daily peak demand and absolute peak demand for each case simulated.

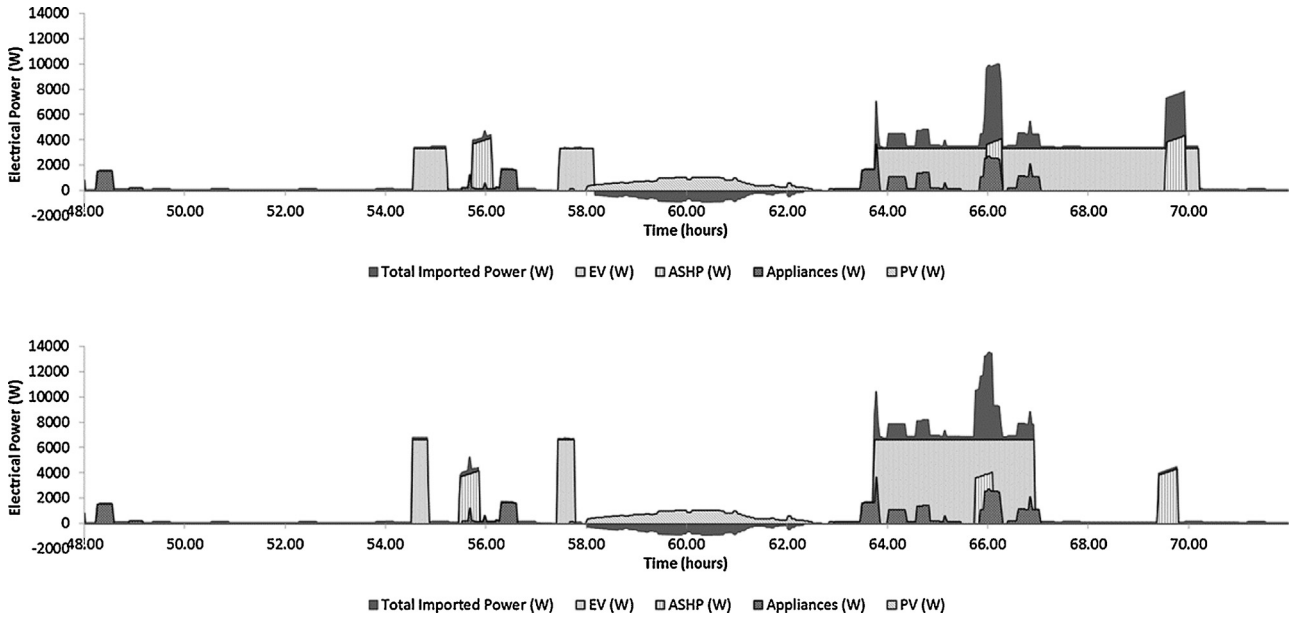

Fig. 7. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for unrestricted slow (top) and fast (bottom) vehicle charging and heat pump operation.

peak electrical demands in these scenarios were 4.96 and 6.98 kW for fast and slow charging, respectively. The corresponding absolute values were 7.96 and 11.33 kW, respectively. The combination of slow charging and off-peak heating proved effective at limiting the increase in peak demand compared to the base case. However, fast charging coupled with heat pump load shifting was ineffective, particularly at limiting the absolute peak demand.

The heat pump's energy use reduced slightly from approximately 280 kW h to 270 kW h compared to the cases where the heat pump operation was unrestricted. However, this was not a genuine energy saving as it resulted from the restricted operational hours. Further, the shift to off-peak heating increased the occurrence of low air temperatures (defined here as air temperatures below 18 °C) in the dwelling to approximately 4% of occupied hours, as shown in Table 8c, indicating a deterioration in heating system performance with load shifting.

4.6. Off peak heating and vehicle charging

In scenarios 7 and 8 (shown in Fig. 10), both the charging of the vehicle and the operation of the heat pumps were restricted to off peak periods; this resulted in mean daily peak demands of 5.81 and 7.45 kW for slow and fast charging, respectively (Table 8a). Absolute peak demands were 9.09 and 11.57 kW, respectively. This strategy proved ineffective at limiting peak demands in that it had the effect of synchronising both the heating and vehicle demand.

Table 8b, shows a slight reduction in the number of trips taken: down from approximately 110 and over in the other scenarios to 103 and 105 for the slow and fast charging scenarios, respectively. The mean SOC of the battery was also lower than in the previous cases (Table 8b), though the total distance travelled was similar.

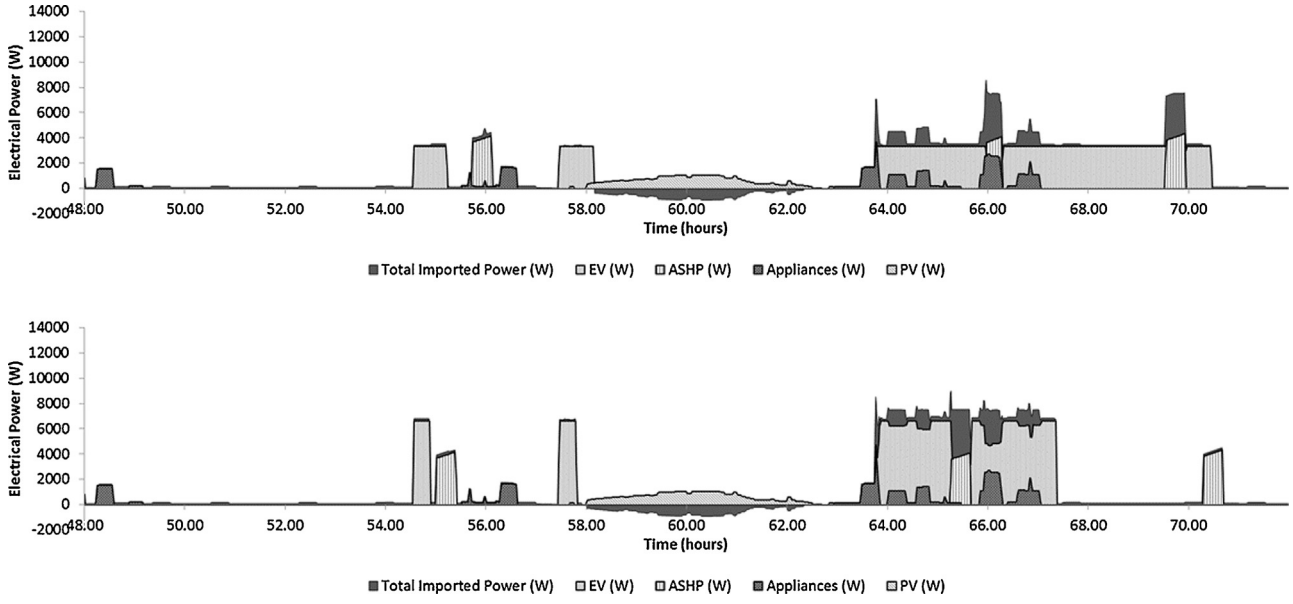

Fig. 8. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for load restricted slow (top) and fast (bottom) vehicle charging and unrestricted heat pump operation.

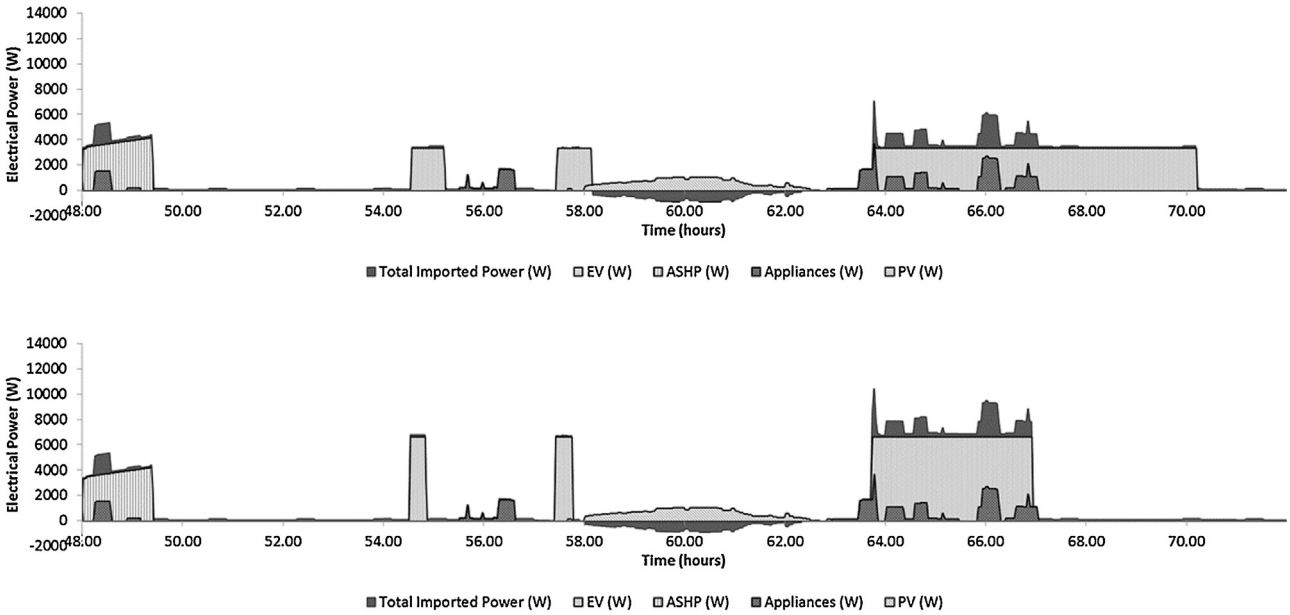

Fig. 9. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for unrestricted slow (top) and fast (bottom) vehicle charging and off-peak heat pump operation.

The performance of the heating system was very similar to scenarios 5 and 6, with Table 8c showing that air temperatures drop below 18 °C for approximately 4% of occupied hours.

4.7. Load limited heating

For scenarios 9 and 10, the operation of the heat pump was interrupted if the household demand exceeded 7.5 kW; however the charging of the electric vehicle was not restricted. The mean daily peak demands for these scenarios where 5.57 and 7.07 kW for slow and fast charging, respectively. The corresponding peak demands were 7.82 and 9.91 kW.

The restricted operation of the heat pump had virtually no effect on either the heat pump energy use or comfort conditions in that the occurrence of low air and water temperatures was negligible. Fig. 11 illustrates the operation of the heat pump being curtailed during periods of vehicle slow and fast charging with the heat pump operating to recharge the buffer tank after vehicle battery charging was complete, typically later in the evening.

4.8. Bi-directional battery operation

The operation of the battery was changed for scenarios 11 and 12, such that charging could be curtailed, or if necessary the battery discharged, to help maintain the peak household demand at 7.5 kW (Fig. 12). The operation of the heat pump was not restricted. In these cases, the mean peak daily household demands during the simulated period were 5.71 and 6.55 kW for fast and slow charging, respectively. The corresponding peak demands were 7.61 and 7.78 kW, respectively. What is noticeable from the results is that the

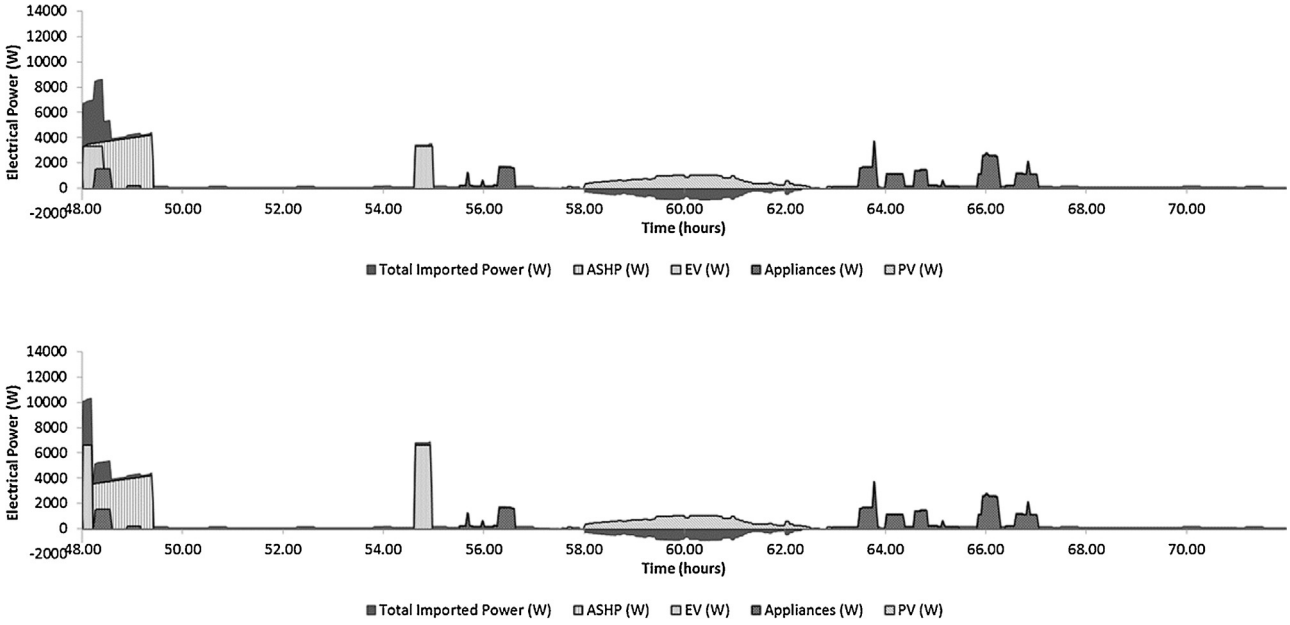

Fig. 10. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for off-peak slow (top) and fast (bottom) vehicle charging and off-peak heat pump operation.

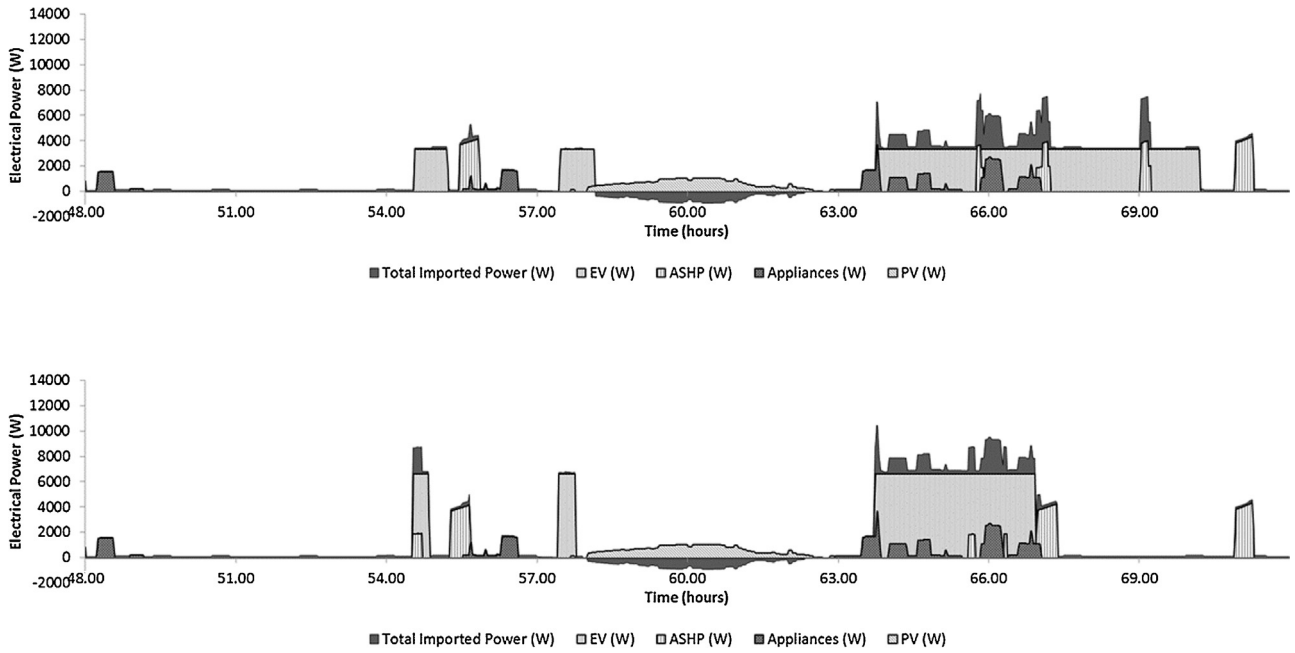

Fig. 11. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for load limited heat pump operation and unrestricted slow (top) and fast (bottom) vehicle charging.

discharge of the battery to help restrict demand to the 7.5 kW was rarely required. In the case where the battery could charge or discharge at the slow rate of 3.3 kW, discharging occurred only once for a period of 6 min over the whole 2 month simulation period. Similarly, the battery was discharged once for a total of 10 min when the fast charging or discharging rate of 6.6 kW was used. The bulk of the peak demand management was achieved through modulation of the battery charging rate as is shown in illustrated in the lower plot of Fig. 12. The number of trips made was 106 and 102 for fast and slow charging, respectively, again indicating that the modulating of the charging rate had a minimal effect on the use of the vehicle.

4.9. Demand limited charging and heating

In scenarios 13 and 14 (Fig. 13), the operation of both the heat pump and vehicle charging were restricted if the household demand exceeded 7.5 kW. In scenario 11 the vehicle battery could be charged at 3.3 kW and in scenario 12, fast charging at 6.6 kW was applied. The mean peak daily household electrical demands seen were 5.54 and 6.78 kW. The corresponding absolute peak demands were 7.53 and 7.97 kW.

The restrictions on the charging of the battery and heat pump operation seemed to make little difference to their performance. For the vehicle, the number of trips made and distance

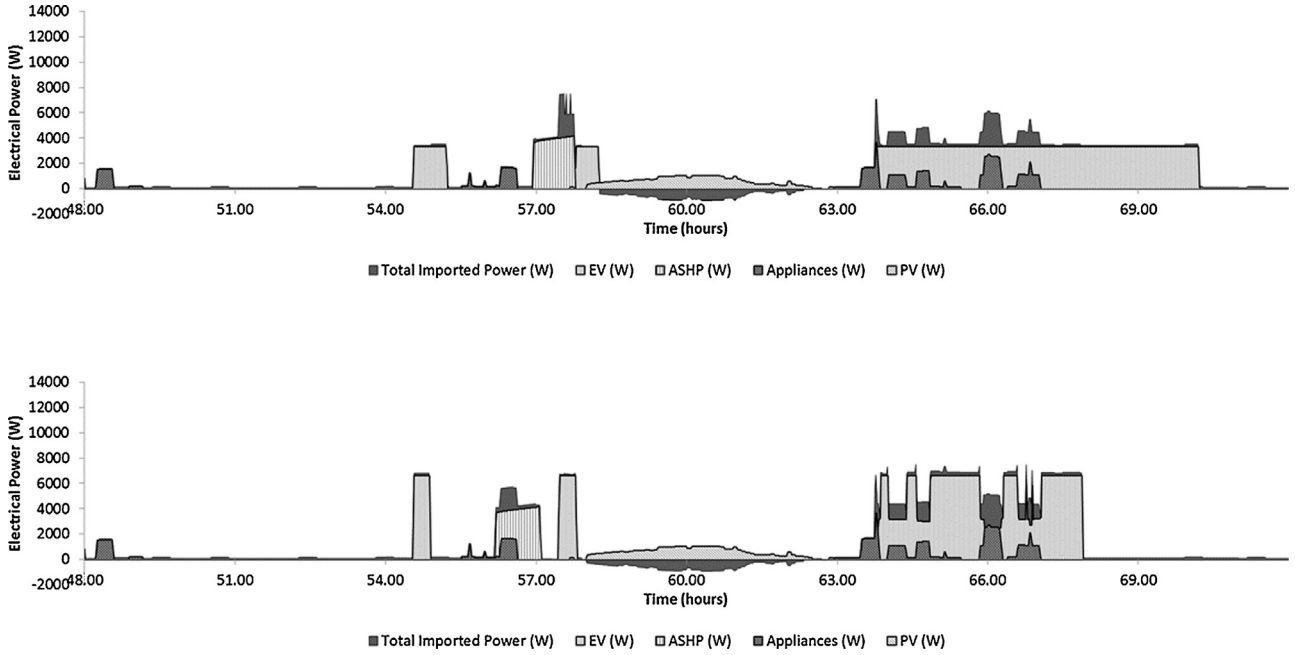

Fig. 12. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for unrestricted heat pump use and bi-directional slow (top) and fast (bottom) battery operation.

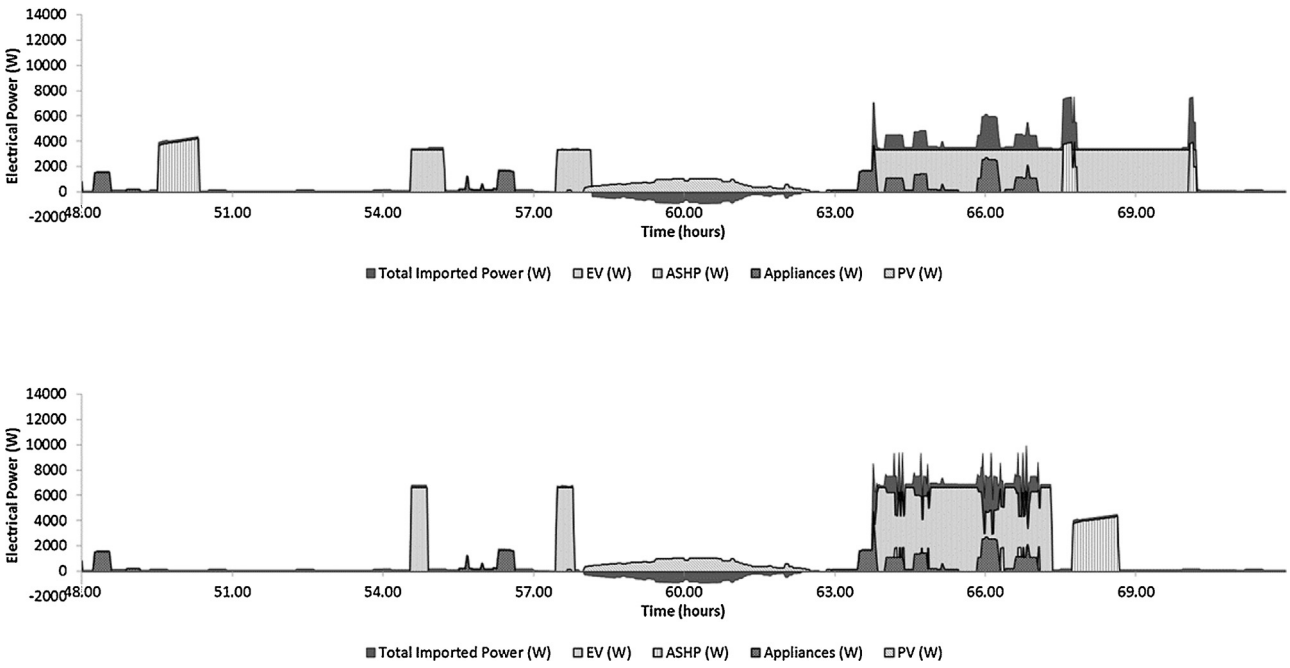

Fig. 13. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for demand restricted heat pump and slow (top) and fast (bottom) battery charging.

travelled was similar to the other cases simulated. The modulation of the battery charging lengthened the battery charging times, particularly fast charging, with the maximum fast charging time being 214 min, which was longer than the 172 min for Case 2 where the unrestricted fast charging time was 172 min.

For the heat pump, the demand limited operation had very little effect, with the occurrence of low hot water and indoor temperatures being less than 1% of simulated hours in both cases. Indeed, as the heat pump was given priority over the battery charging in these cases, the battery charging was the main mechanism for peak load limiting.

4.10. Bi-directional battery operation and demand limited heating

In the final two scenarios 15 and 16 (Fig. 14), the battery was able to charge/discharge at 3.3 and 6.6 kW, respectively. The heat pump operation was restricted so that above a household demand of 7.5 kW its operation was curtailed. The mean peak household demands occurring in these scenarios were 5.47 kW and 6.42 kW, respectively. The corresponding absolute peak demands were 7.48 and 7.49 kW, respectively.

As was seen in scenarios 11 and 12, the discharge of the battery in order to limit household demand rarely occurred, with

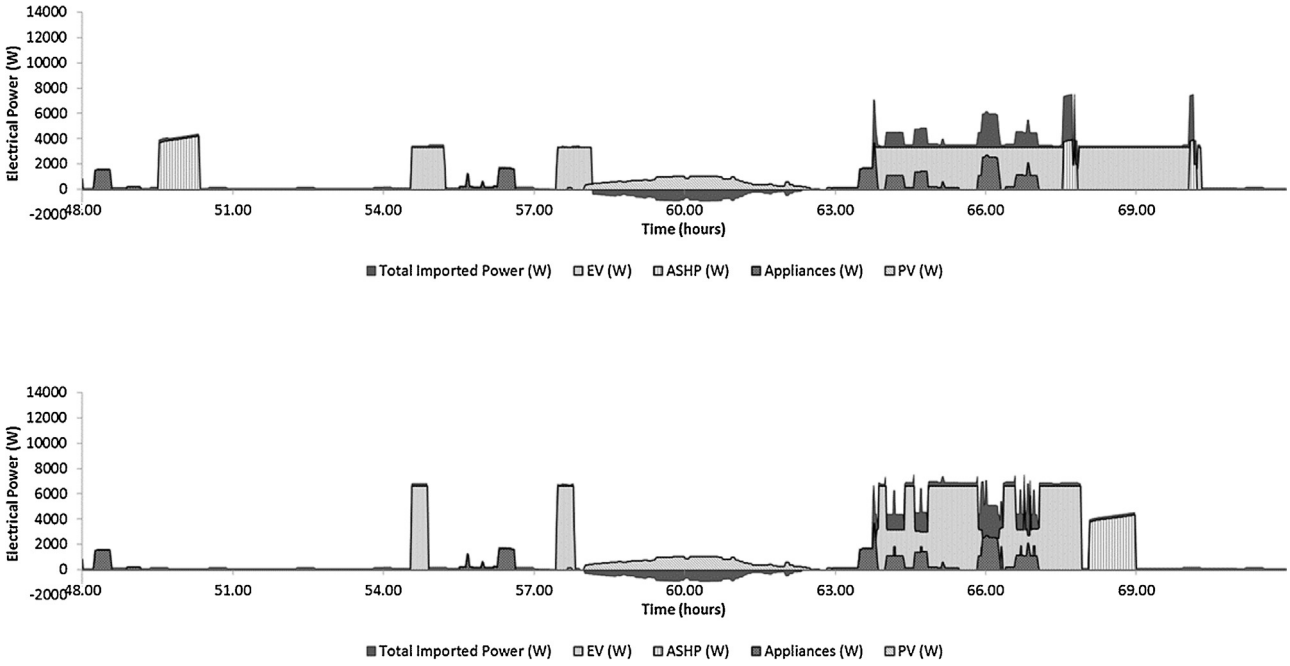

Fig. 14. Typical daily profile of electrical supply and demand for demand restricted heat pump and bi-directional slow (top) and fast (bottom) battery operation.

the battery not being discharged at all in the case where charging/discharging rate was set at 3.3 kW and discharging only once for a 1-min period where the charging/discharging rate was set at 6.6 kW. The number of trips made and distance travelled were comparable to cases where the vehicle charging was unrestricted. The impact on the heat pump from the 7.5 kW demand restriction was negligible, with air temperatures being below 18 °C for less than 1% of the simulated period and negligible occurrence of low hot water temperatures.

5. Conclusions

A detailed model of a hypothetical, UK zero carbon dwelling has been developed in order to assess the effectiveness of measures to mitigate the impact of wholesale electrification of heating and electric vehicle charging. The model was simulated at a 1-min resolution, in order to capture the volatility of electrical demand. The simulation used a southern UK climate data set and covered the period January to February, the worst case period for heating demand and local generation from the solar PV integrated into the dwelling.

A number of different approaches to limit the peak demand for electricity were tested singly and in combination, these included fast and slow vehicle charging, demand-limited vehicle charging and heating use, off-peak heating and vehicle charging, and bi-directional battery operation, allowing the battery to discharge in support of peak electrical demand attenuation.

A variety of metrics were used to assess the success or otherwise of the electrical demand-limiting strategies. These included the absolute and mean daily peak demand, the number of journeys taken in the vehicle and the internal air temperature in the dwelling.

Key points emerging from these simulations were as follows.

The operating strategy which proved the most successful at minimising the impact of electrification on the mean daily peak electrical demand was slow vehicle charging, coupled with off-peak heat pump operation. However, the load shifting of the heat pump slightly increased the prevalence of low indoor air temperatures.

The combination of both load sensitive heating and load sensitive vehicle charging proved effective at limiting both the rise in mean daily peak and absolute peak demand. The strategy also significantly reduced the difference between the mean daily and absolute peak demands. However, unlike the off-peak heating case, this strategy had almost no impact on the indoor conditions seen in the dwelling or the use of the EV.

Allowing the vehicle battery to discharge in support of peak demand limiting, coupled with load limited heating and charging, proved the most effective strategy at limiting the absolute peak household electrical demand levels, though discharge of the battery was very rarely required when the peak demand limit was set to 7.5 kW. The bulk of load management was achieved through modulation of the battery charging rate. This indicates that, for this case at least, bi-directional battery operation could have a very limited impact on the battery performance. Further, this strategy almost eliminated the difference in peak demands seen between fast and slow charging, increasing the attractiveness of the fast charging option.

Load shifting both the vehicle charging and heat pump operation to off peak periods proved counterproductive, in limiting the rise in mean and absolute peal electrical demand as dual load shifting inadvertently synchronised both of these large loads.

Finally, as has been seen in previous studies (e.g. [11]), in all of the cases simulated, the electrical energy use more than doubled in comparison to the base case (which had neither electric vehicle nor electric heating) and demand limiting measures had no impact on the rise in electrical energy use.

6. Limitations

This paper looks only at the impacts of wholesale electrification and demand limiting measures on a specific, hypothetical, zero carbon UK dwelling. As with all modelling exercises, the outcomes must be viewed against the limitations of the model, particularly regarding the power demand of the heat pump and electric vehicle. Both of the algorithms used to model these technologies rely on calibration and the data used to do this was contemporary, consequently the power demand and operation of both of these technologies may not precisely reflect that seem in a future buildings. Hence, whist the results of this study provide some insight into the impact of the demand limiting measures examined at the individual building level, they do not provide an accurate picture of future domestic demand and demand manipulation. Further, the results cannot be generalised to other building types and larger number of dwellings; this will require a more extensive analysis of a wider spectrum of the housing stock.

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