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# Assessing the role of electricity tariffs for the provision of flexibility by households - A stochastic MCP approach including the system perspective

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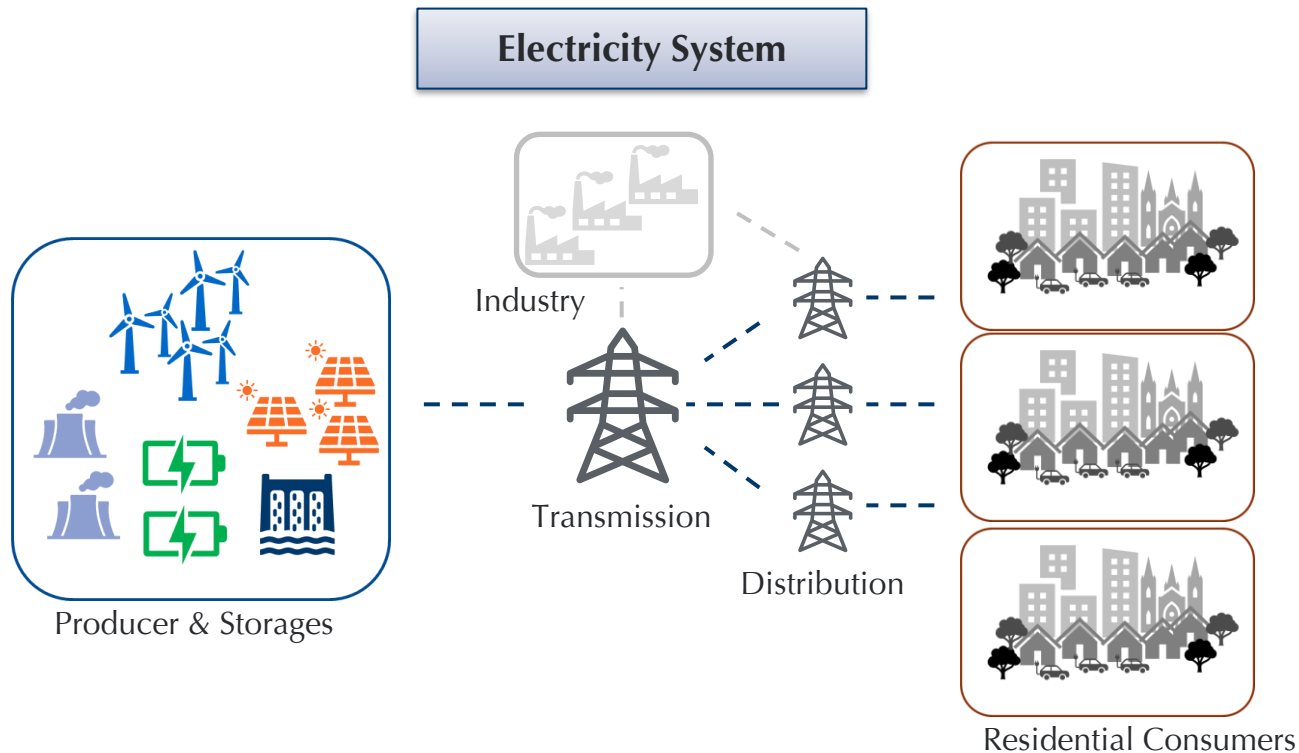
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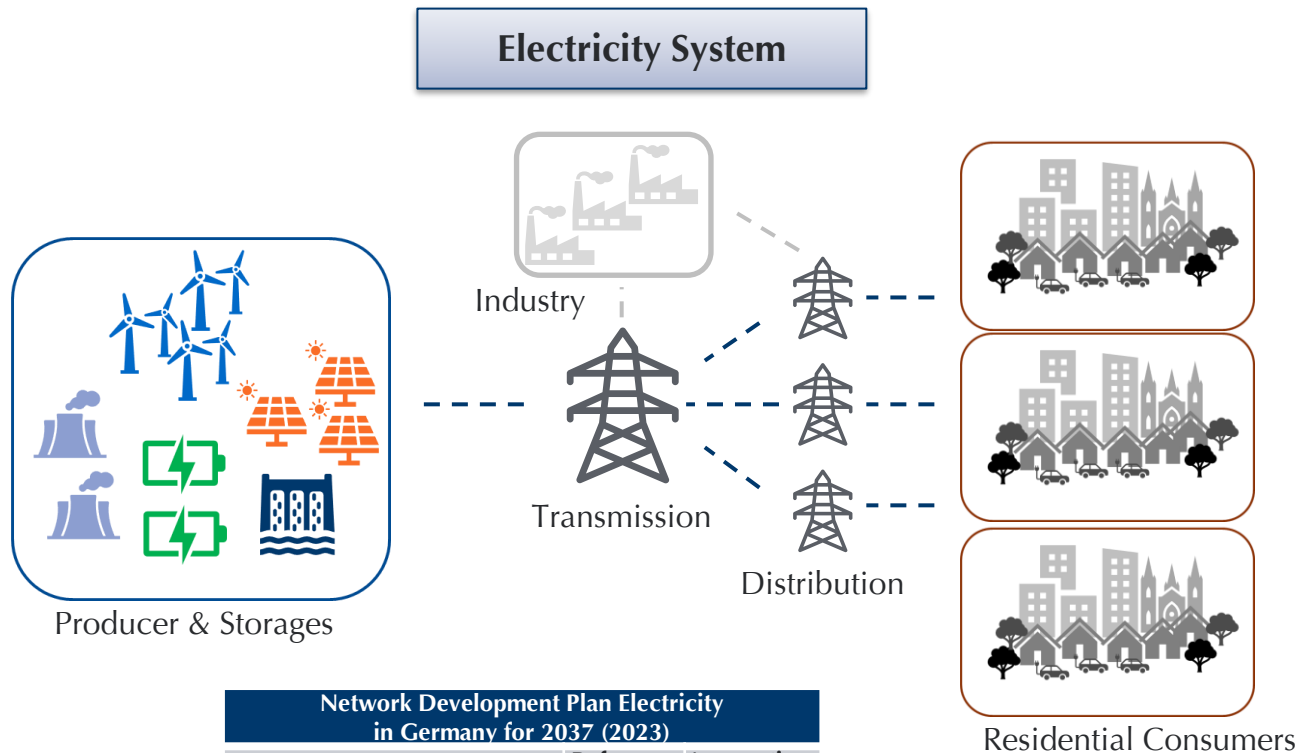
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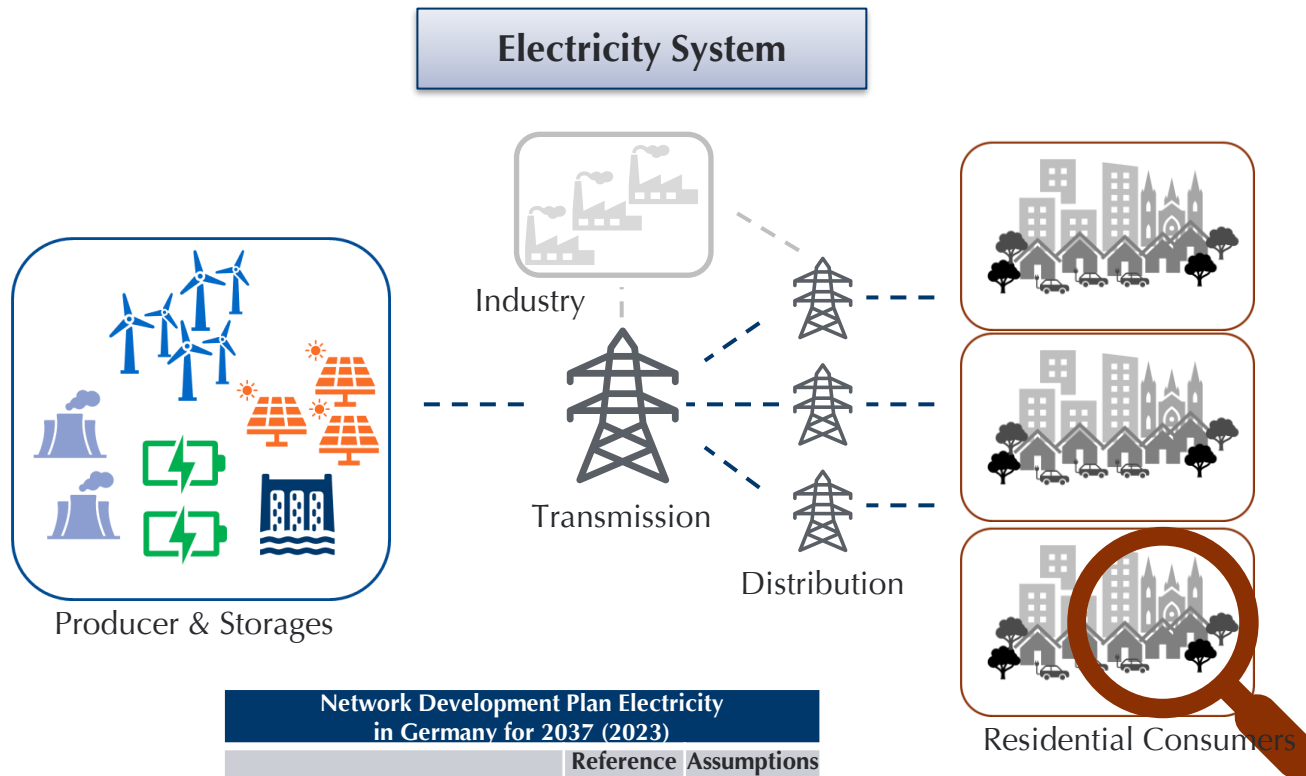
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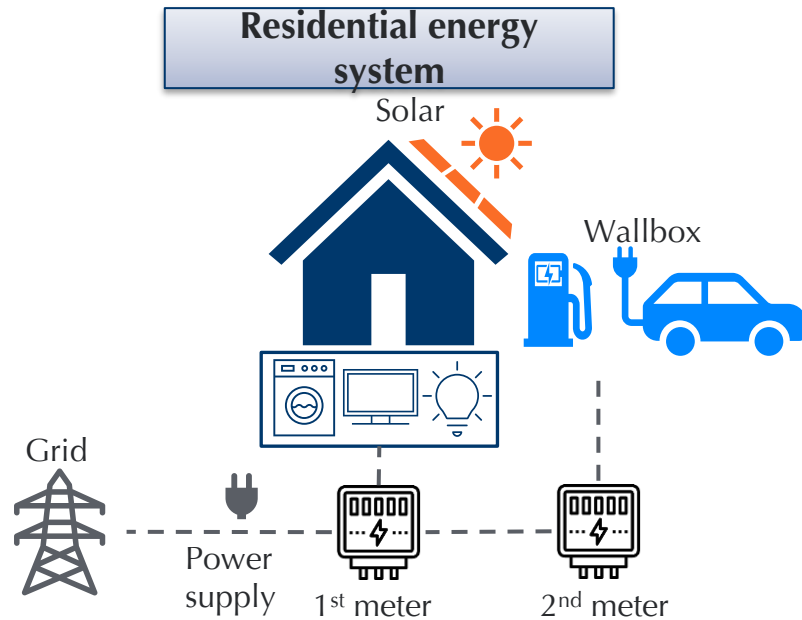
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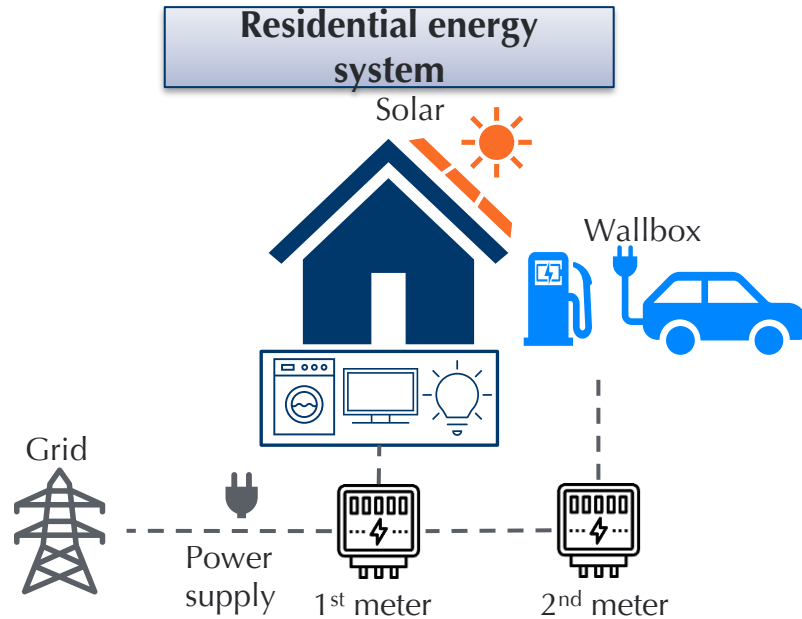
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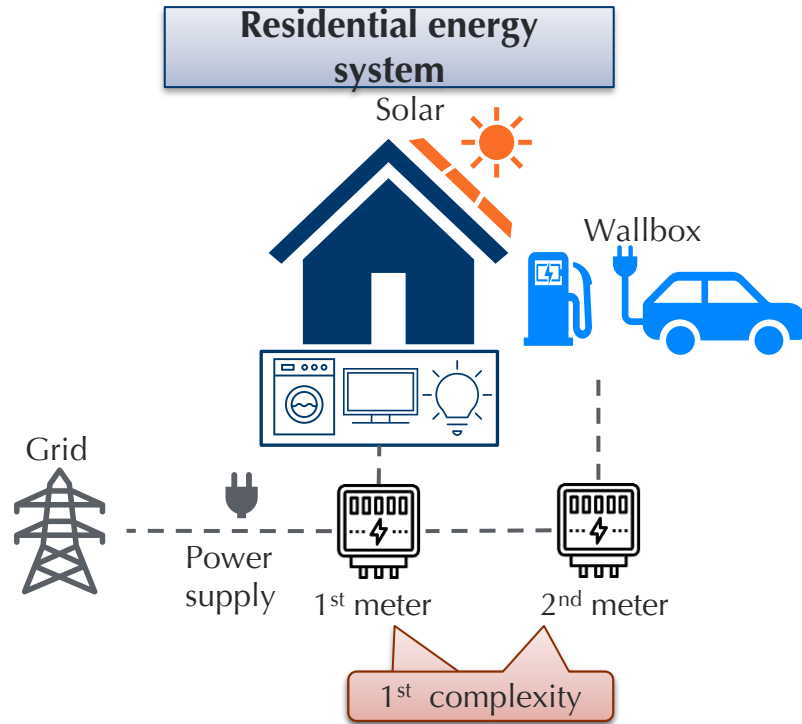
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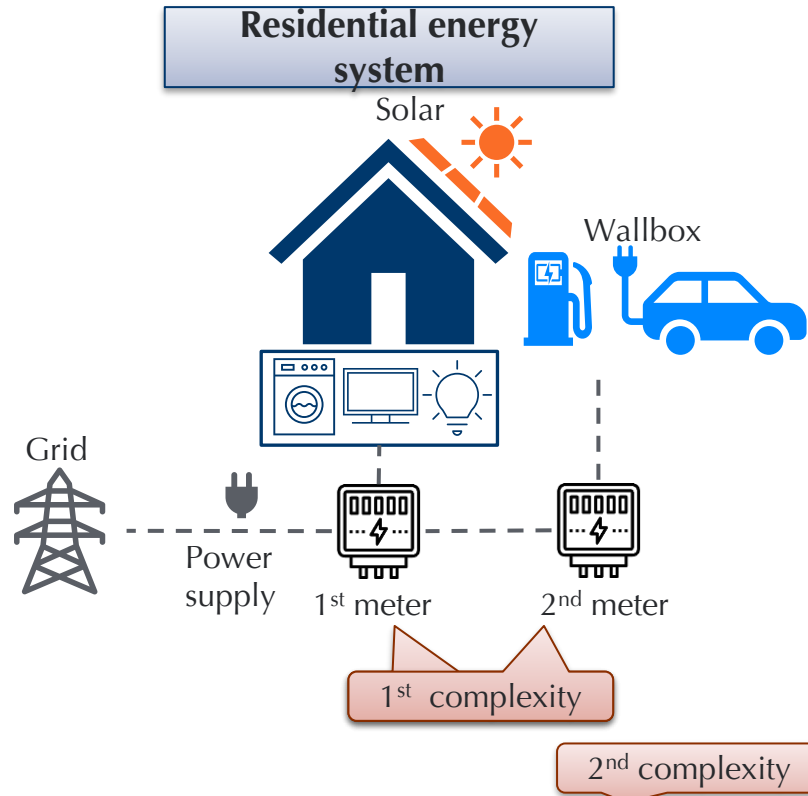


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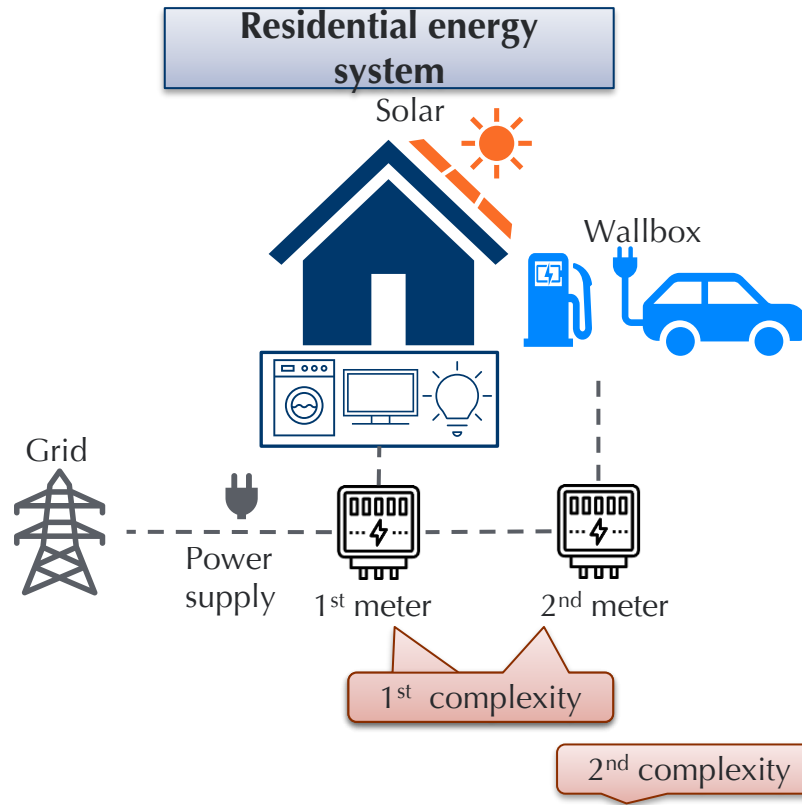


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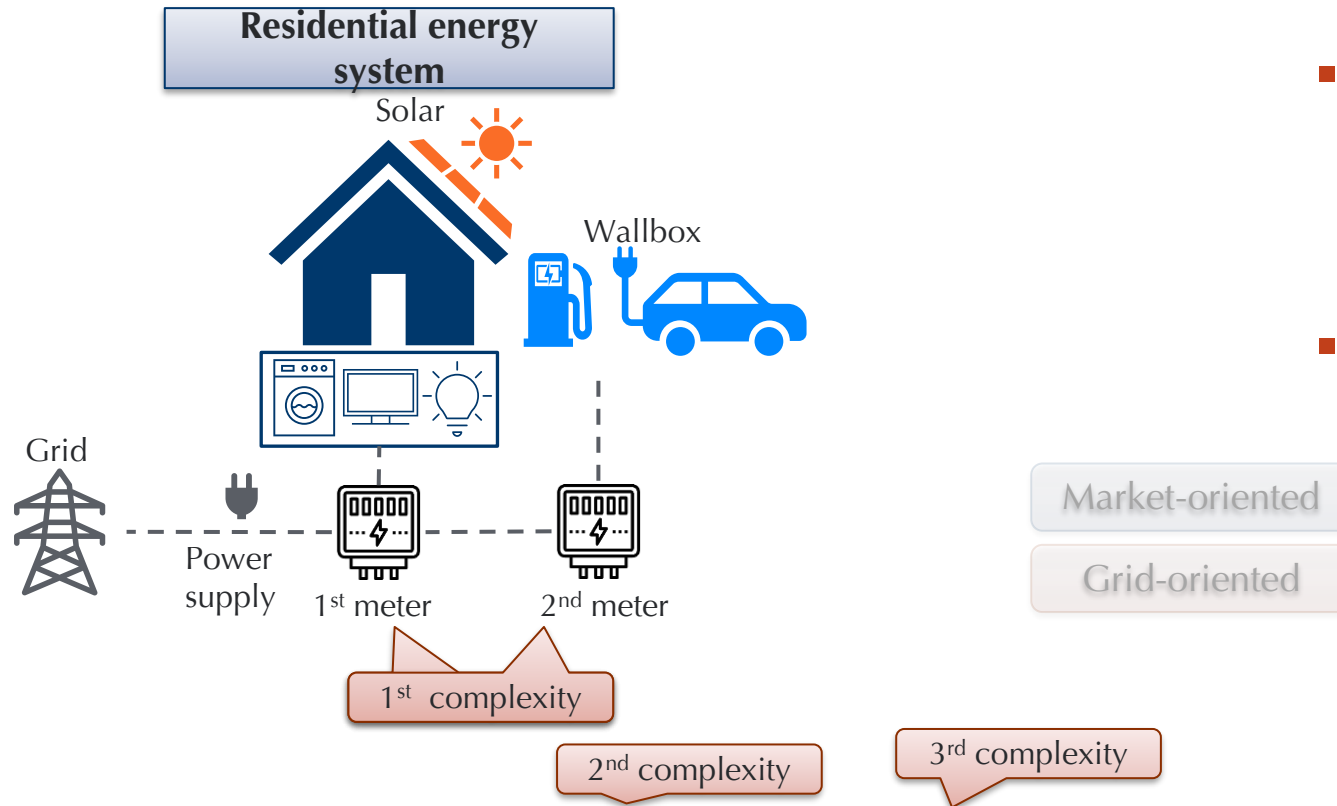
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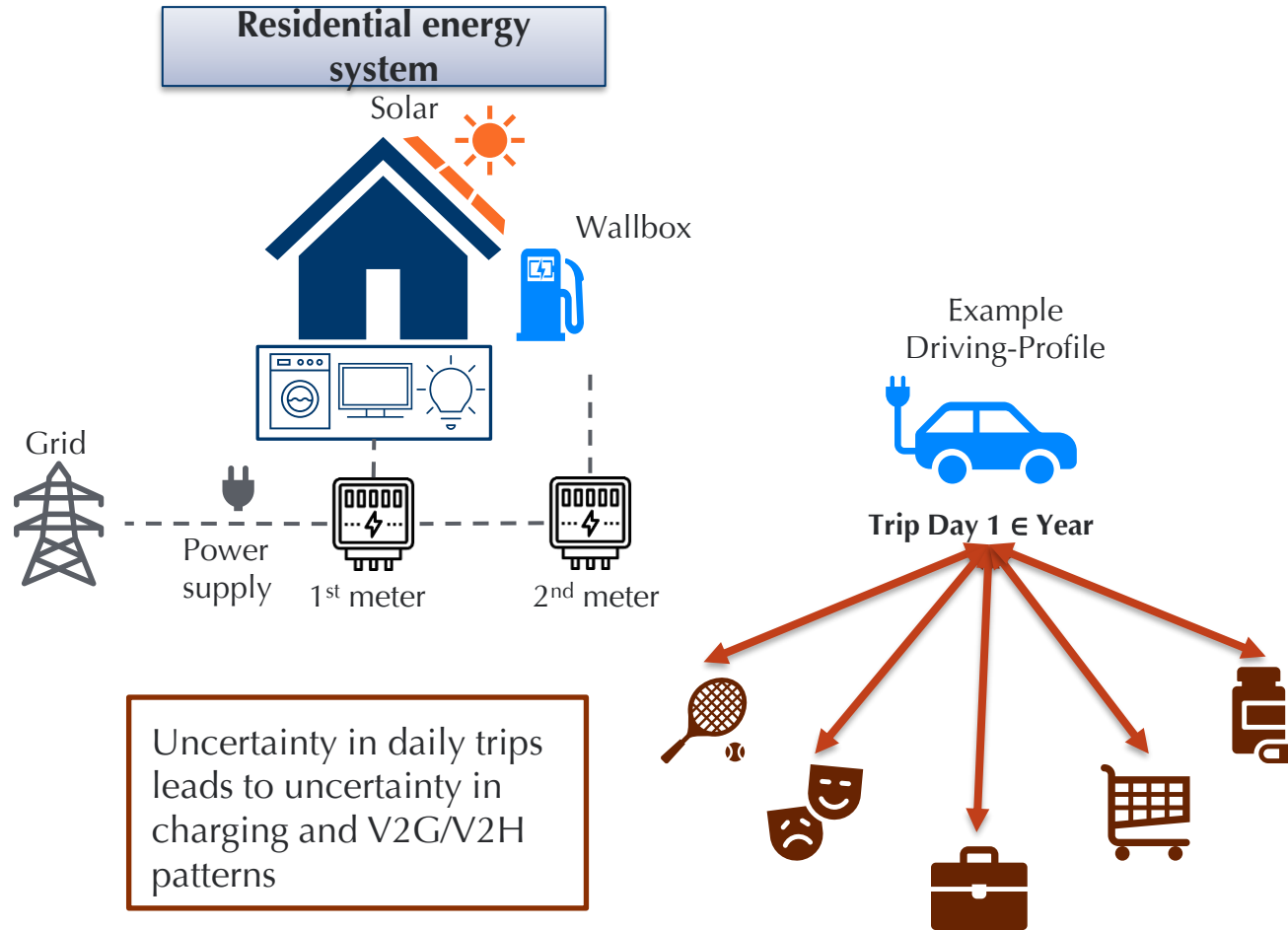
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\*energy-based grid charge is defined as static, time-variant or dynamic price.

## Derived objectives:

- Economic effects on residential consumers when faced with individual tariff heterogeneity
- operational decisions and investments in PV-BSS under uncertainty
- Implications for the energy system, particularly regarding the aforementioned challenges



Input of current work

*Economic analysis of behavioral aspects of electromobility with a focus on consumers – A Review*

*Local Stock Diffusion of Electric Vehicles in Germany: Spatio-Temporal Insights and the Impact of the Secondary Car Market*

*Tariff Preferences for Electric Vehicle Charging: The Role of Complexity in Fostering System-Beneficial Designs*

*Effects of distortionary tariffs on long-term equilibria with a high share of Prosumage households*



- Further relevant literature
- Driving and charging patterns
- Tariffication & choice

- Distribution of Cars for different Years on Nuts3 level

- First guess on tariff choice and design

- Illustration of Wholesale-Retailer-Household interaction (iterative LP)

➤ **Driving Profiles: Transformed “Mobilität in Deutschland (MiD) 2017 – data set**

## Mixed Complementarity Problem

- Solving of multiple individual (different agents) optimization problems **simultaneously** and **in equilibrium\***
  - by combining the **Karush-Khun-Tucker\*\*** (KKT) conditions for optimality of each of the agents and connecting them via market clearing conditions
  - primal variables (eg., power generation) and dual variables (eg., prices) can be constrained together
  - Possibility to reflect market power

- Solve the problem represented by the function  $F: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ 
  - find vectors  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$  such that for all  $i$ :
    1.  $F_i(x, y) \geq 0, x_i \geq 0, x_i * F_i(x, y) = 0$  for  $i=1, \dots, n_1$
    2.  $F_{j+n_1}(x, y) = 0, y_j$  free, for  $j=1, \dots, n_2$

The first condition is often written more compactly

$$0 \leq F_i(x) \perp x \geq 0,$$

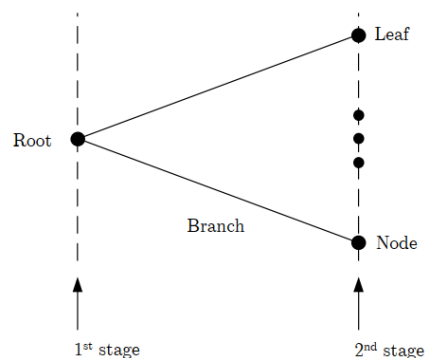
with the “perp” operator  $\perp$  denoting the inner product of two vectors equal to zero

\* A state of the modeled system where there is no incentive for it to change.

\*\***KKT** conditions are **first-order conditions**, i.e., conditions that are formulated using first derivative vectors and matrices (gradients and Jacobians). To formulate the KKT conditions it is convenient to define **the Lagrangian function**.

## Implementation of uncertainty as Two-Stage Problem

- First-stage ('here-and-now decisions')
  - decisions made before realization of stochastic process
- Second-stage ('wait-and-see decisions')
  - decisions made after knowing actual realization of stochastic process
  - Decision variable is defined for each scenario realization



MiD 2017	
Day	Count
Monday	75,568
Tuesday	79,899
Wednesday	80,223
Thursday	76,509
Friday	79,401
Saturday	60,293
Sunday	42,403

$$\min_x c^T x + E_\omega Q(x, \omega)$$

$$\text{s. t. } Ax = b$$

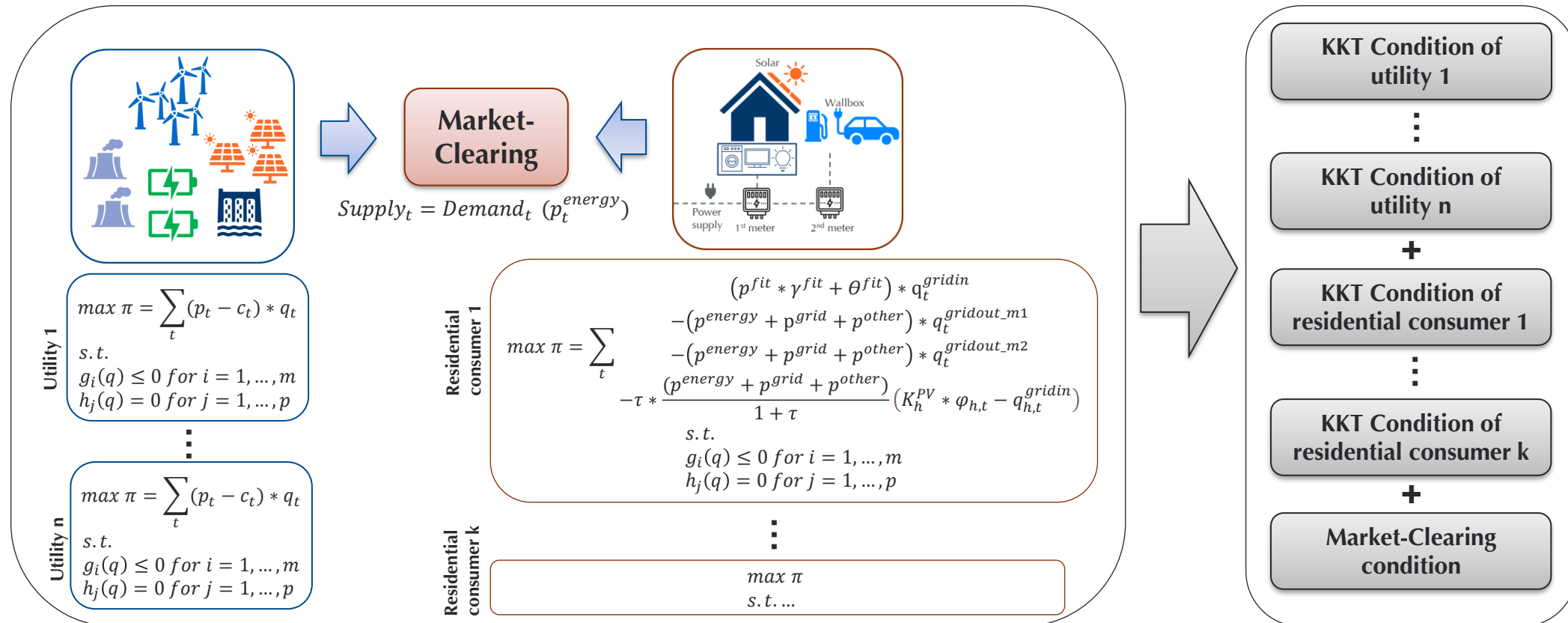
$$x \in X$$

where

$$Q(\omega) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min y(\omega) \quad q(\omega)^T y(\omega) \\ \text{subject to } T(\omega)x + W(\omega)y(\omega) = h(\omega) \\ y(\omega) \in Y \end{array} \right\}, \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

- where  $x$  and  $y(\omega)$  are the first- and second-stage decision variable vector, respectively, and  $c$ ,  $q(\omega)$ ,  $b$ ,  $h(\omega)$ ,  $A$ ,  $T(\omega)$ , and  $W(\omega)$  are known vectors and matrices of appropriate size.  $\omega$  is the scenario index.
- Possibility to use decomposition techniques (e.g. Benders Decomp.)
  - Chanpiwat & Gabriel (2024); Devine & Bertsch (2024); Egging (2013, 2010)

## Interrelated optimization problems and equilibrium problem (KKT)



\* Agents are Conventional, Renewables & Storages, each with specific constraints tailored to their operational characteristics and market roles.

\*\* Constraints consider PV BSS limits, Wallbox-EV limits, internal clearing condition; Dumb or smart charging possible.

Data for preliminary results based on SLP, MID 2017 Driving Profiles, Smart (BNetzA).

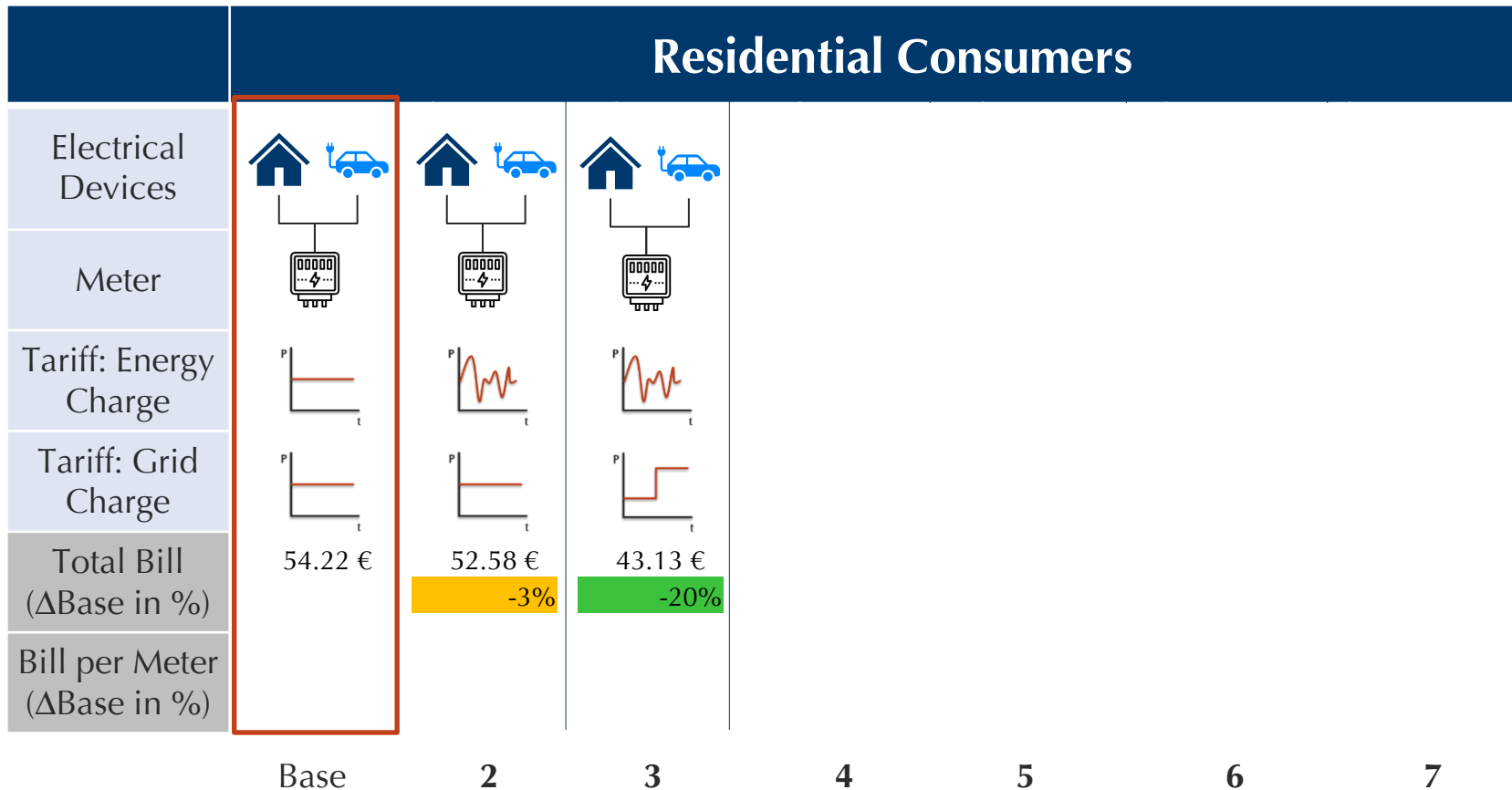
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Total Bill (ΔBase in %)		54.22 €					
Bill per Meter (ΔBase in %)							
		Base	2	3	4	5	6

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- Base Case most common (in Germany)

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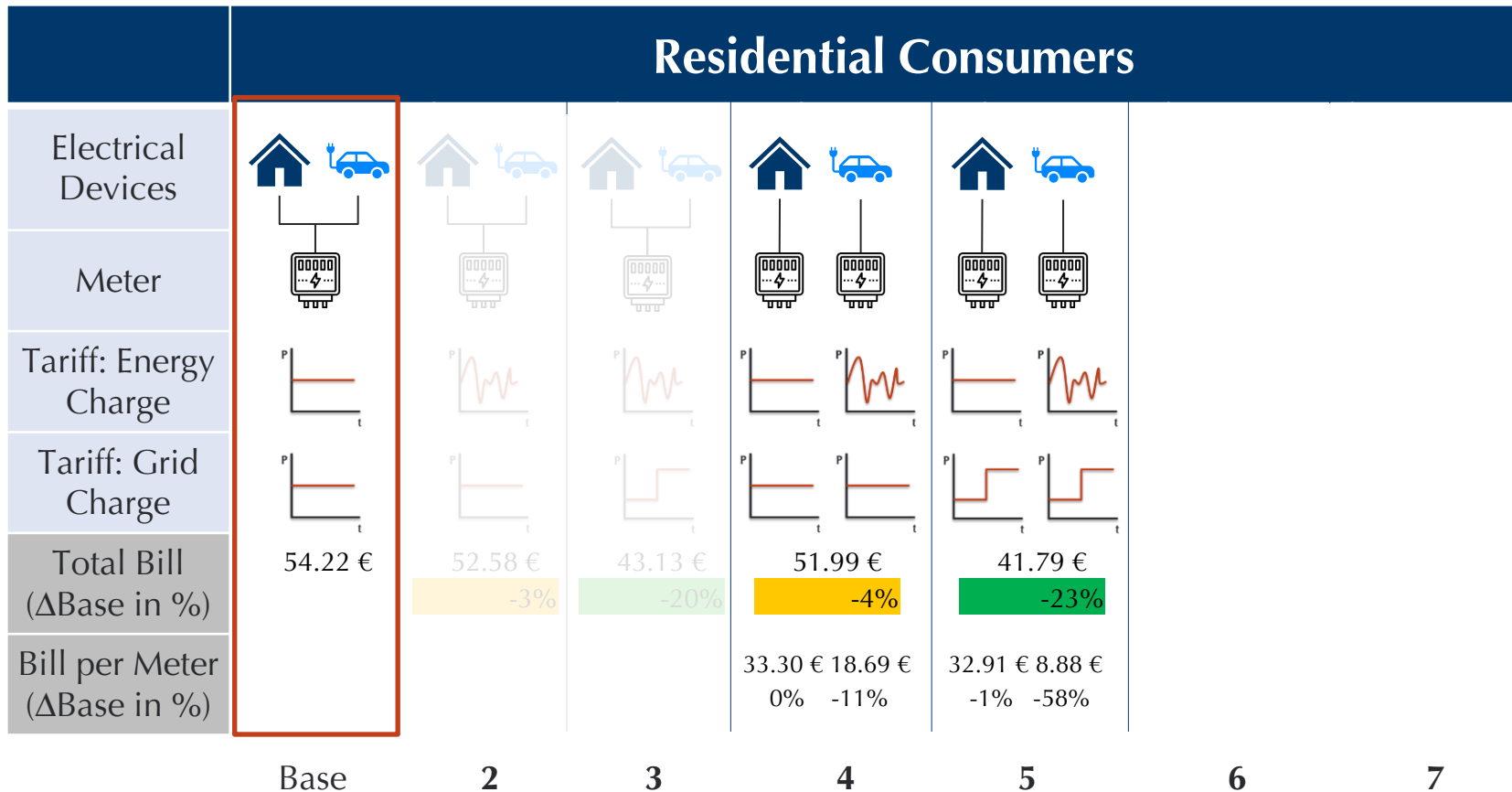
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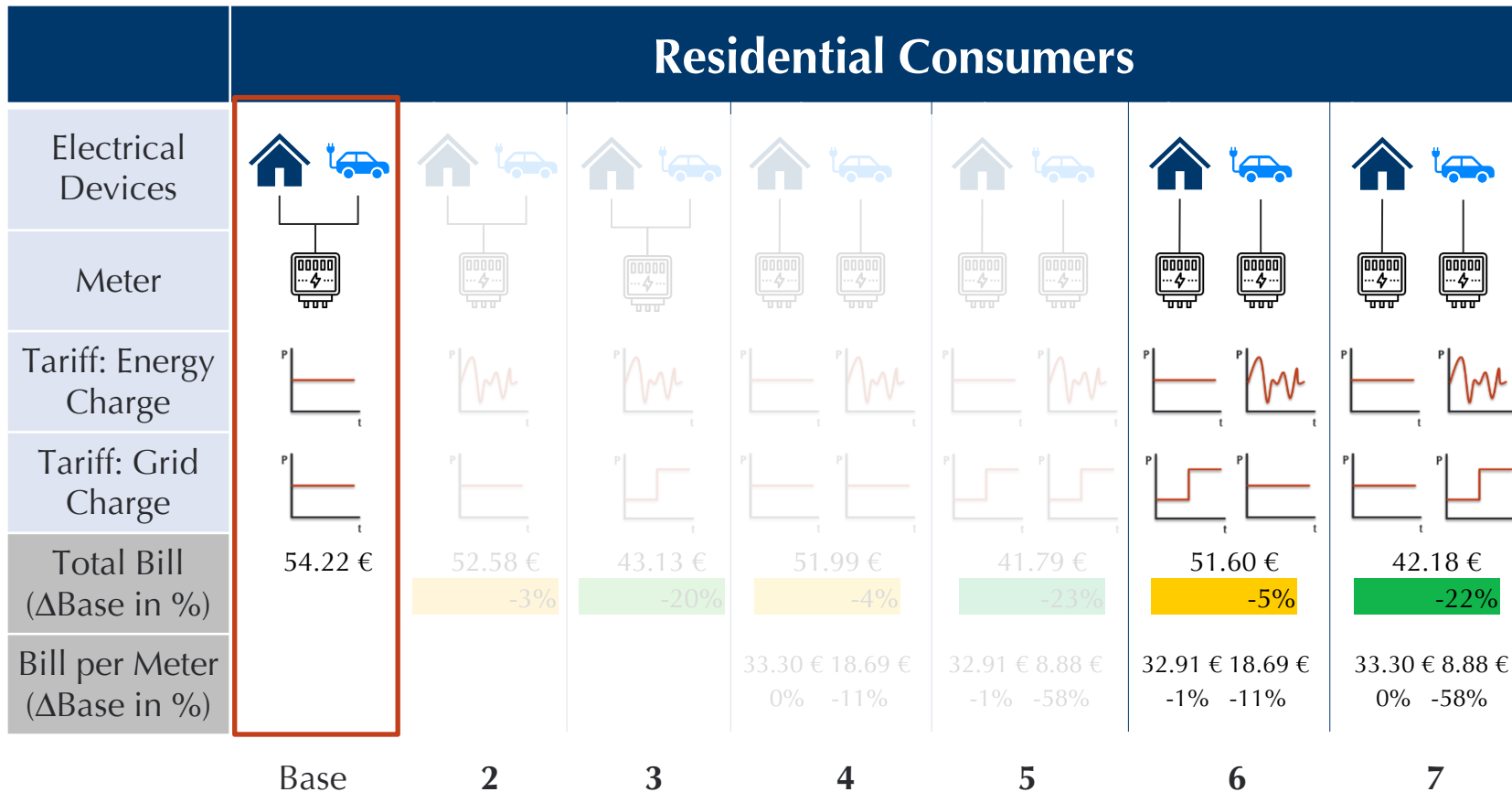
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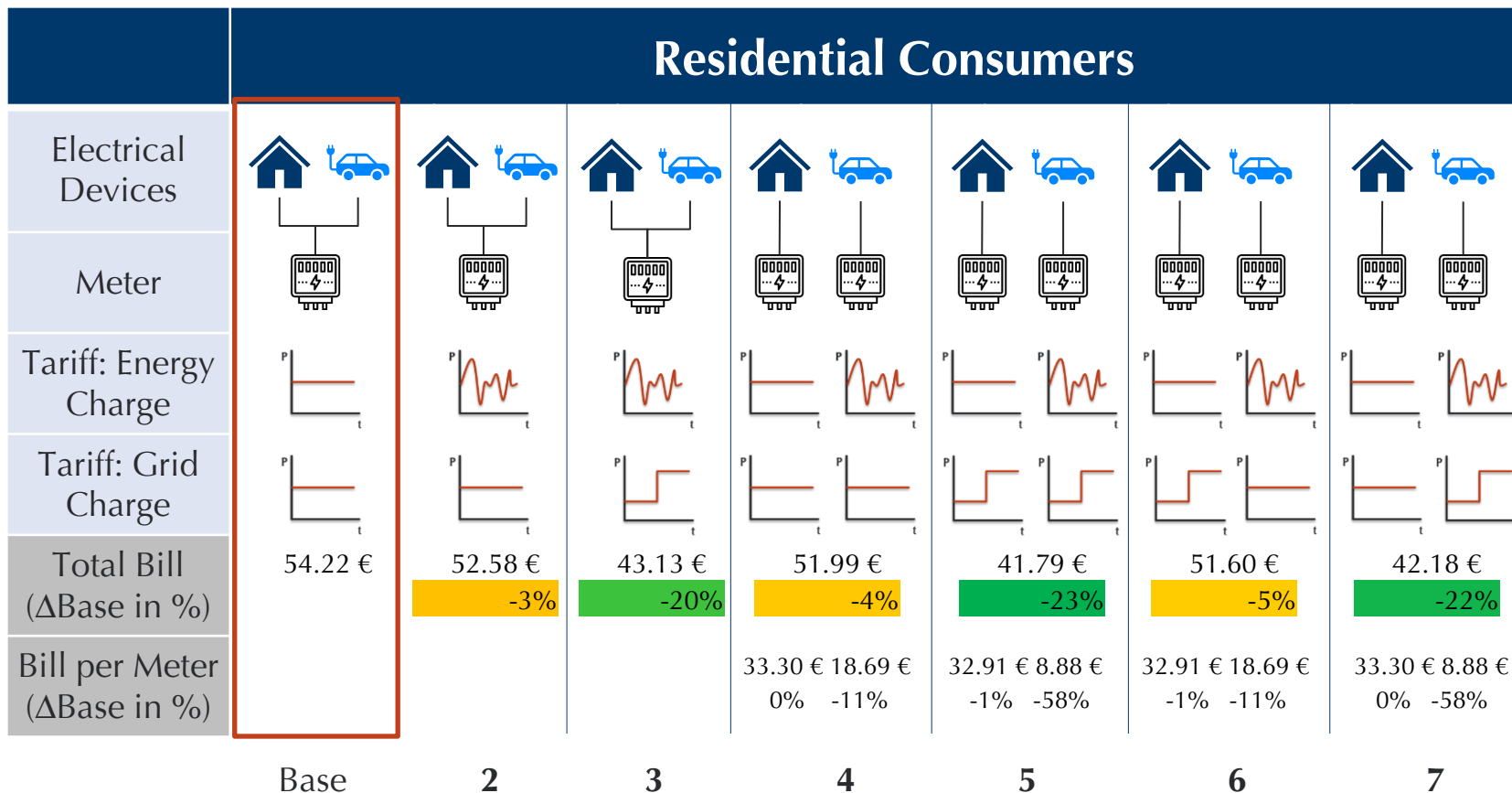


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- Model extension (tbd):
  - Detailed representation of agents: Retailer
  - Bidirectional charging
    - V2H, V2G
  - Scenario setting and data
    - E.g. driving/charging profiles
- Reduction in computational complexity
  - temporal aggregation into representative segments
- Implementation of uncertainty:
  - Uncertainty regarding driving profiles
    - Impact on residential PV & BSS, HP, Air Conditioner, EV charging,

# Thank you for your attention!



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