

# **AKD-Batt Design Tool**



## Abstract

This project is focusing on "Renewable Energy Balancing for residential Homes". Cost for electric energy is continuously rising. Therefore a positive trend towards self-consumption of decentralized-produced energy can be observed. Renewable sources like photovoltaic or wind are occurring in rather fluctuating manners. To increase the self-consumption storage solutions are needed. Batteries meet the specifications a storage system needs for a residential home. Batteries are small and powerful.

The scope of this project is to find out:

"How much battery capacity is needed for a residential home and how much self-consumption can be achieved with it?"

A MS-Excel-based program-tool has been developed to guide the design process. The main requirement for this tool was to be easy-to-use. A particularity is the user-definable load and generation profiles. Self-consumption can be increased to encouraging high levels, whenever the renewable energy generation is both frequent and sufficient.

## Kurzfassung

Dieses Projekt fokussiert sich auf das "Regeneratives Energien-Management für Wohnhäuser". Kosten für elektrische Energie steigen stetig. Aus diesem Grund gibt es einen positiven Trend zum Eigenverbrauch dezentral erzeugter Energie. Das Auftreten von regenerativer Energie aus Photovoltaik und Wind sind von starken Fluktuationen unterlaufen. Von Nöten ist eine Speicher Lösung, um den Eigenverbrauch zu steigern. Batterien erfüllen als Speicher die Anforderungen von einem Wohnhaus, da diese klein und leistungsstark sind.

Im Rahmen des Projektes ist zu ermitteln:

"Welche Dimensionierung der Batteriekapazität ist nötig für ein Wohnhaus und wie viel Eigenverbrauch kann damit erreicht werden?"

Ein Programm wurde entwickelt zur Überprüfung der Auslegung. Die Anforderungen wurden auf eine einfache und leicht handhabbare Software gelegt. Die Berechnung erfolgt als Besonderheit über eigens anpassbare Last- und Generator-Profile. Eigenverbrauch kann zu einem zufriedenstellenden Maße erhöht werden. Die Bedingung dafür sind fortlaufende und hinreichende Energieerträge von der Generator Seite.

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## List of Abbreviations

DoD	Depth of Discharge
ESC	Energy Supply Company
ICQ	Internal Consumption Quote
SSQ	Self-sustainability Quote
kWp	kilo Watt peak
PV	Photovoltaic
SoC	State of Charge
VBA	Visual Basic for Application (language)

## Introduction

## Welcome to the

## **PV Battery Tool**

Here is a short overview of how a battery system works:

- (1) PV Generator
- (2) Inverter
- (3) Feed In Meter
- (4) Two Way Meter
- (5) Battery
  - Storage of Excess Energy, if demand is already taken care off
    Power Demand, if Generation
  - is sufficient
- (6) Grid
  - Full Battery: - Feed In Grid Empty Battery: - Power Demand via Grid
- (7) Consumer



## **Basics for Software Development**

## Methodology

The methodology contains the step by step proceedings of the program design and operation procedures. The PV battery program was designed to be with KISS approach (Keep it short and simple). Therefore Excel and the integrated Visual Basic for Applications language (VBA) were chosen as program platform. The office product is wide spread.

First approach:

- One generator profile
- One H0 load profile
- One ideal storage "bucket"

One generator (photovoltaic) supplies the consumers of a residential house in addition to the grid. The consumption of the house hold is described via a standardised load profile called H0. H0 is the only profile for residential homes. For non-residential homes there are other profiles like G0 for business, N0 for night powered heaters, L0 for farmers and A0 for Traffic lights.

The profile H0 is an average of 150 households. Time steps accuracy is 15 minutes. The interval size of 15 minutes is used as default by utilities for accounting. The PV data was obtained via SQL database of GE Global Research Europe in Garching near Munich. The one second accuracy was summed up to 15 minute means.

The load and generation profiles can be subtracted for reckoning the energy value which has to be charged or discharged (see Equation 0-1):

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Battery Energy Discharge = Load Energy General - PV Generation
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**Equation 0-1:** Equation for Battery Energy Discharge

The battery calculation algorithm was designed next. Excess energy is stored to the battery within set boundaries. Energy is supplied by the battery as long the minimum state of charge is not reached. The internal consumption quote in the program is applies to the total load data and not to the total generation. The first extension stepped into action soon afterwards. Three more generators and loads can be added to the calculation. Efficiency for the battery was added. Losses for charging and discharging can be set to different efficiency values.

To exchange the profiles more comfortably, instead of copy paste procedure, a macro (VBA-function) enables the user to easily do the exchange.

### Definitions

Definitions make understanding much simpler. For example battery is often used as a synonym for a rechargeable battery. In the sub-chapters following items will be declared:

- Generators and Loads
- Internal Consumption and Self-Sustain Quote
- Battery States

#### Generators

Generators produce electric energy. The energy values are set in profiles. Four generators are applied as shown in Table 0-1. The generation profiles have to be in 15 minute intervals for a whole year.

Table 0-1:	Generators for PV	/-Battery-Tool
	Generators	
	Photovoltaic (PV) Wind	
	Combined Heat and Power (CHP)	
	GenX*	

\* GenX is open for a back-up generator or a self-defined generator

#### Loads

Loads consume electric energy. Loads are a gathering of residential appliances or high power consumers like the heat pump or an electric vehicle. The energy values are set in profiles. Four loads are applied as shown in Table 0-2. The load profiles have to be in 15 minute intervals for a whole year.

#### **BASICS FOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT**

Table 0-2:	Loads for PV-Battery-Tool
Loads	
Genero	al (entire Household)
Car	
Heat P	ump
LoadX	٠

\* LoadX is an open profile for a self-definable load

#### Internal Consumption and Self-Sustainability Quote

The internal consumption quote used in the program is the self-sustainability quote described as SSQ. Since the system is not meant for 100% self-sustainable residential homes it is still marked as internal consumption.

#### Internal Consumption Quote (ICQ)

The EEG law defines the internal consumption quote as the energy used from PV by energy produced from PV. The energy used from PV is the energy produced from PV subtracted by the energy fed into grid. The internal consumption quote can be seen in following Equation 0-2:

$$ICQ = \frac{Energy \ produced \ from \ PV - Energy \ fed \ into \ Grid}{Energy \ produced \ from \ PV}$$

**Equation 0-2:** Internal Consumption Equation by EEG

#### Self-Sustainability Quote (SSQ)

The EEG internal consumption equation does not describe the real ratio of the total used energy at home to the used energy from Generators. The following Equation 0-3 describes the self-sustainability grade of system.

$$SSQ = \frac{Energy \ produced \ from \ Generators - Energy \ fed \ into \ Grid}{Used \ Energy \ at \ Home}$$

Equation 0-3: Equation of Self-sustainability Grade based on Used Energy at Home

ICQ describes the degree of utilisation of the generator while the SSQ describes the utilisation condition of the entire.

#### Examples for the ICQ and SSQ equations:

Only a small PV system with 2 kW is considered. Over a year it produced 2000 kWh. An Energy amount of 1000 kWh was supplied to the grid (fed into grid). 4000 kWh have been supplied by the grid by the energy supply company (ESC) / utility.

For Equation 0-2:

$$ICQ_{example} = \frac{2000 \, kWh - 1000 \, kWh}{2000 \, kWh} = 50 \,\%$$

For Equation 0-3 used Energy is supplied energy from ESC + (Energy produced from PV – Energy fed into Grid):

$$SSQ_{example} = \frac{2000 \, kWh - 1000 \, kWh}{4000 \, kWh + (2000 \, kWh - 1000 \, kWh)} = 20 \,\%$$

Equation 0-3 is the equation used in the program.

In the following charts are the characteristics of IC and SSQ shown. The chart is standardised for 10.000 kWh/a of general load, the battery capacity is zero. Figure 0-1 and Figure 0-2 shows the IC and SSQ in dependency of the PV Generator size. In the first chart PV generator size is step by step increased linearly to 20 kW power and in the second chart scaled logarithmically. Standard utilisation is one thousand hours per one kW installed power.



Figure 0-1: ICQ and SSQ scaled linear to PV size multiplied by a utilization time of 1000 h divided by Load



*Figure 0-2:* ICQ and SSQ logarithmically scaled

Looking at the equations for ICQ and SSQ there are three ways to improve the internal consumption quote respectively the self-sustainability grade:

- 1. Increase power output from generators / PV
- 2. Decrease energy feed into grid
- 3. Decrease energy use at home

These three steps refer to many possible options:

- at 1. Install a more powerful PV generator, a small additional generator to provide at every time of day.at 2. Usage of a storage,
  - adjust energy consumption behaviour, switch loads to sun shine hours (decrease idle load)
- at 3. Buy class A to A+++\* labelled equipment, pay attention to idle loads

\*EU Classes A to D see Annex page A

In this project each point is considered, but the focus will be on storage dimensioning.

#### **Battery Load States**

Battery load states define the stored energy level. There are many boundaries to describe the battery state.

#### SOC max and min of the battery

If the battery is fully charged the maximum state of charge (SoC) is reached and the battery is labelled full;  $SoC_{max}$  is therefore reached. If the battery is totally discharged this state is called empty also  $SoC_{min}$  with a state of available charge of zero. For maximum and minimum SoC see Figure 0-3.

#### SOC max of the battery and allowed minimum

Batteries are normally not allowed to discharge beyond a certain allowed minimum  $SoC_{min}$  (see Figure 0-4).



#### SOC allowed maximum and minimum of the battery

The maximum SoC is normally stated 100%. In many cases also a reduced charging voltage reduces stress and increases the life time of the battery. There are two possibilities shown in Figure 0-5 to define the SoC<sub>max</sub> with a percentage. The maximum SoC of the battery can be defined as 100% or the allowed maximum, SoC<sub>max</sub>, can be stated 100%. For the program development the figure on the right side was chosen. DoD is the contrary of SoC. While the SoC has a zero percentage charge the DoD is at its maximum and vice versa.



Figure 0-5: Allowed SoC Maximum and Minimum are stated

#### Cycles per Year

Cycles per year defines the energy input to the battery without further losses divided by the useable capacity of the battery (see Equation 0-4). These cycles are full cycles. The battery is not fully charged each time during the year many. The occurrences appear in case produced energy is insufficient. These cycles are less stressful to the battery.

 $Cyles \ per \ year = \frac{Energy \ Input \ before \ Losses}{Battery \ Capacity}$ 

Equation 0-4: Calculation Cycle Counts per Year

#### System Storage Efficiency

Efficiency is the ratio of useable energy to the applied energy. In case of the battery efficiency for charging and discharging are applied (see Equation 0-5 and Equation 0-6).

	Efficiency of Storage Charging $-\frac{Stored Energy}{Stored}$
	Input Energy
Equation 0-5:	Energy Efficiency of Charging the Storage
	$Efficiency of Storage Discharging = \frac{Output Energy}{Stored Energy}$
Equation 0-6:	Energy Efficiency of Discharging the Storage

## Design-Tool for Capacity Dimensioning General

#### Program features-list:

- 15 Minute Time Steps
- 4 Load and Generators Profiles each
- Easy Exchange of Profiles
- Profile Example view
- Robustness Simulation
- Monte Carlo Simulation

#### The Simulation Tool is parted in single tabs:

- (1) Main Menu
- (2) Profile Overview
- (3) Parameter Settings
- (4) One Year Data Calculation
- (5) Monte Carlo Simulation
- (6) Robustness Analysis

For each menu a sub-chapter can be found below.

At the bottom of the Excel screen the tab-bar can be found:

(1) Main Menu	(2) Profile Overview	(3) Parameter Settings	(4) One Year Data Calculation	(5) Monte Carlo Simulation	(6) Robustness Analysis	(7) Load Profiles
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The program is structured in six tabs. The following Table 0-3 shows all tabs with a picture.

Table 0-3:The six Program Tabs

(1) Main Menu

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(2) Profile Overview



#### (3) Parameter Settings

### (4) One Year Data Calculation





#### (5) Monte Carlo Simulation



### (6) Robustness Analysis



### Main Menu

The main menu offers every main entry parameter for generators, loads and battery as well as important output values like energy feed into grid, energy obtained from ESC and battery characteristics (see Figure 0-6). Generation, Load and Battery size are editable. After entering data to the INPUT section - headings marked in light blue - by pressing the Calculate button on the right sight OUTPUT data, the monthly view chart as well as the two days example chart will be updated immediately. For an even more detailed analysis click "Goto Monte Carlo Simulation" next to the "Calculate" button.

The main menu supports the three sections:

- Input
- Output
- Charts



Figure 0-6: Main Menu Tab: Input, Output, Charts and Calculation Interface

#### Interface

#### **Calculation Interface**

The Calculate button will change colour if an input value is changed.

Red – not yet calculated

Green – calculated

For a more detailed simulation press the Monte Carlo Simulation button. More information you will find in chapter 0.

### **Calculation Interface**

Calculate

Go to Monte Carlo Simulation

#### Easy Exchange Interface

The button "Exchange Profile" will replace any profile easily. Via the drop-down menu the profile to exchange can be chosen. The specific folder will open and a selectable list of profile will be shown.

The profile file consists out of the heading and 35040 rows of data. The profile needs to have 15 minute average values and start with first of January 00:00 and end on December the 31<sup>st</sup> 23:45. In Table 0-4 an example is shown of how the \*.xlsx file (Windows Update adds compatibility for EXCEL 2003 Version) have to look like:

Table 0-4:

Example cut-out Profile Table

-		-	-
Eve	hana	Into	rtaco
EXC	nunue	e mile	iluce
_			



Time	Value
01.01. 00:00	123
01.01. 00:15	234
:	:
31.12. 23:45	345

Q

Solar

Wind

CHP

GENX

#### Input

#### Generation

Values for Rated Power in kW for generators:

- Solar
- Wind
- Combined Heat and Power (CHP)
- GENX \*

\* GenX is open for a back-up generator or a self-defined generator.

#### Load

The load box preserves data in energy per year for following consumer:

- General
- Car
- Heat pump
- LOADX \*

\* LoadX is an open profile for a self-definable load.

#### Battery

The battery box allows entering following battery parameters:

- Total Capacity
- Minimum allowed State of Charge (SoC<sub>min</sub>)

Useable Capacity will then be calculated.

The battery parameter for the upper bound can be changed in the parameter settings (see chapter 0 "Parameter Settings").



Battery

4.0 kWh

5.0 kWh

%

80 %

20

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Capacity useable

Capacity total

SoC min

DoD max

Generators

5,0 kWp

0,0 kWp

0,0 kWp

0,0 kWp

#### Output

#### Generation

Due to the kWp normed profiles the generation profiles are multiplied by the rated Power. PV also takes usage hours into account:

$$Factor = \frac{P (radted Power) \times t (in hours)}{1000 \, kWh}$$

An Example:

$$Pr = 5 \text{ kW}$$

 $Factor = \frac{5 \, kWp \times 942 \, h}{1000 \, kWh} = 4.7 \Rightarrow$ 

t = 942 h (Berlin)

Energy Generation per year: 4706 kWh

PV

Wind

CHP

GENX

#### Internal Consumption Quote (ICQ)

This Area shows the ICQ without and with an installed battery system. Also the grid consumption and feed into grid energy is shown.

#### Attention:

Emission and Power (EP)

The ICQ used in the program is the SSQ defined in chapter 0.

The EP field supports data to saved  $CO_2$  emissions, if all sources are stated renewable. The factor therefore is 590 kg per MWh. In addition the maximum feed in grid and grid load is add-

Internal Consumption				
no battery	41,7%			
with battery	58,3%			
Feed in Grid	1703 kWh			
Consumption	1895 kWh			

Generation

4706 kWh

0 kWh

0 kWh

0 kWh

Emission a	nd Power
Emission CO <sub>2</sub>	2777 kg
average load	542 W
feed in max	3873 W
grid load max	1276 W

### Battery

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State of charge (SoC) shows the average charge status over the whole year, which can be an identifier for a significantly reduction of battery life time. E.g.: an average over 85 % is bad for storage reasons.

Battery	
SoC Average	42%
Cycles per year	255
Lifetime in years	9,80
Battery Losses	148

Lifetime in years is based on full cycles.

 $Lifetime = \frac{Total \ amout \ of \ achivable \ Cycles \ (see \ battery \ data-sheet)}{Cycles \ per \ year}$ 

#### Charts

In Figure 0-7 a monthly chart shows the energy sum of each month for

- Energy from ESC
- Feed into Grid
- Battery Input

Feed into grid rises till July, green line, while grid consumption is contrary and rises in winter months; the battery throughput depends on the battery capacity. From March to September the battery input is almost identical. The capacity could be increased for higher internal consumption quotes since feed into grid is sufficient and energy has still to be supplied from ESC. Battery input hits its maxima around March and September, due to moderate irradiation and moderate energy demand. In summer the energy input is lower. There is much excess energy and demand is at its minimum. The battery is probably not even discharged during the night. For that reason the grid consumption hits also a minimum. The battery is not efficiently used between the months October with February. At this time, for better battery life expectancy the charge algorithm should be optimized for a higher average state of charge.



*Figure 0-7:* Monthly chart: Energy supply by ESC, feed into grid and battery input

The following Figure 0-8 shows the ratio between the three energy sums in every month as 100 % in an accumulated view. Example July (data obtained from chart; see Figure 0-7):

Energy Supply from ESC = 71  kWh	Sum = 71 + 441 + 51 = 563  kWh
Feed into $Grid = 441  kWh$	$\Rightarrow ESC = \frac{71}{563} = 12.6 \%$
Battery Input = $51  kWh$	$\Rightarrow$ Feed into grid = $\frac{441}{563}$ = 78.3 %
	$\Rightarrow$ Battery Input = $\frac{51}{563}$ = 9.1 %



*Figure 0-8:* Grid Consumption, Feed in Grid and Battery Input summed up every Month as 100 % and set into ratio

The two day overview is an example of data in February (see Figure 0-9). The chart shows generation (yellow), battery in and output (green) under the defined efficiencies, grid consumption (black) and the current load (red). All data are directly calculation values and therefore in watt hours per 15 min Intervals. The average power is extracted by multiplying the energy values by factor four Watt per Wh/15min.



Figure 0-9: Two days overview of the energy balancing of PV Battery system

### **Profile Overview**

The profile overview enables the view to the different profiles. The profiles can be shown in detail by disabling the other graphs by clicking the buttons shown in Figure 0-10. The load and generation graph has an all on/off button each to show or hide all



loads / generations and enable the user to quickly display one graph again by activating it.

Figure 0-10 Profile overview example of loads (first chart) and PV generation chart (second chart)

## **Parameter Settings**

The parameter settings tab give you the total overview of enabled and used parameters (see Figure 0-11). Data from the main menu is marked blue. The advanced settings are marked orange. A list of the editable parameters and reasonable range values can be found in Table 0-5. Generation and battery data can be edited in more detail. The blue marked fields are a copy from the main menu to give an overview of all parameters in one tab. The blue fields will be overwritten if changed in the parameter settings tab. Orange labelled fields can be edited, not filled cells are open for further implementation

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Table 0-5: Parameter and Reasonable Range Values

	Parameter			Reasonable	Range	
	70% PV cut off			On / Off		
	PV – Hours			700 2000		
	PV to Inverter Ratio			0.9 to 2, 3		
	Batter – Lifetime Cyc	les		800 7000		
	Battery – average Inp	out / Output Efficiency	/	0.8 0.99		
	Battery – Maximum (	Charge Level (SoC <sub>max</sub> )		0.8 1.0		
tors		DATA			Cost and	Subsidies
	5 kWp	70% cut of control installed?	FALSE	Unit	PV exclusive Tax	2500.00 €/kW

Generators		DATA	Cost and	Subsidies	
PV	5 kWp	70% cut of control instaled? Hours (specific Yield) Berlin 942 München 1050 PV to Inverter Ratio Pmax	FALSE Unit 942 kWh/kWp 1 1 kW/kWp	PV exclusive Tax grid in < 30 kWp SC < 30% SC > 30% Tax	2500,00 €/ kWp 0,24 €/kWh 0,08 €/kWh 0,12 €/kWh 475 €/kWp
Wind	0 kWp			Wind	1500,00 €/kWp
CHP	0 kWp	Start date Durotion in month CHP 1/ŋ	10 6 4	CHP CHP electric cost KWK	2000 €/kWp 0,28 €/kWhel 0,055 €/kWh
GENX	0 kWp			GENX specific cost	€/kWp €/kWhel
Load		DATA	Function Ratio	0	Cost
General	5000 kW/b	Variation with different funtion	DC + sin 1	EVIL/ESC	0.24 E/W/h

General	5000 kWh	Variation with different funtior DC + sin	1	EVU / ESC	0,24 €/kWh
Heat Pump	0 kWh				
Electric Car	0 kWh				
LOADX	0 kWh				
load data load	5000 kWh				

Battery Data		Lifetime Cycles	2500	
DODmax Capacity in Wh Pmax	0,80 4000 Wh 4000 Wh/15mi	Effiency charge Effiency discharge factor Wh/(Whbat*15min)	0,85 Eff_total 0,9 0,765 1	
Capacity Total Wh	5000 Wh	Maximum Charge	0.85	
Special Data				
Tax	19 Germany			

Parameter Settings Tab: Blue fields, copy of main menu. Orange labelled fields Figure 0-11: are additional parameters

## **One Year Data Calculation**

The one year data calculation tab contains all necessary calculations and data for a one year simulation. The display shows sums of all energy values and the multiplication factors. The first column supplies the time information in the format DD.MM.YYYY and time hh:mm. D stands for day, M for Month, Y for Year, h for hour and m for minute. The calculation columns are marked with orange front colour on grey back colour. The Indexes in the one year data calculation tab are found in Table 0-6.

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 Table 0-6:
 Indexes used in the in One Year Data Calculation

 Index
 Explanation

 E
 Energy

 0
 Standard Profile

 X
 Standard Profile Multiplied by factor X

 Inc
 Inclusive

 Consumed from

 +/ Feed in / consumed from

Load data for the four different loads are contained in columns B to I. Column B contains the standardised profile LoadEO, while column C contains the multiplication with the Load-multiplication factor. Generation data for the four generators are contained in columns J to Q. The sum of all loads per 15 min interval is found in column R. The sum of all generation per 15 min interval is found in column S. The value for load subtracted by generation is the basis for the battery charging calculation (column T). Column U contains the state of charge energy of the usable capacity in [Wh]. Columns V to X contain battery characteristics. Columns Z to AB contains the energy supplied via the distribution grid and energy feed into grid. Column AC contains the SoC value of the total battery capacity. The simulation requires 15 minute interval averages on Energy in Wh, resulting in a 35040 rows of data for one year. Load Profiles have to be normed to 1000 kWh per year. Generation Profiles are normed to their full time usage hours or to general 1000 kWh per year. In Figure 0-12 a basic overview of the one year data calculation is shown. The basic view features a minimisation of loads and generation to the general residential load (Load\_EX) and a photovoltaic system (PV\_EX). The battery columns were reduced to the important columns without any battery losses.

Sums kWh*	1000	5000	23	471	0 386	340	948	2217	513	1704	0,3663
Calculation Values		5,0		1 4	7	340	0	1343	1343	3846	
Time	LoadEO	Lood_EX	PVEO	PV_EX	Load-Generation	SoC_EX *SoCmin := 0 Wh	battery input	Grid -	grid +/-	feed_grid	SOC IT
01.01.2010 00:00	27	136		0	0 136		0 0	136	136	0	0.20
01.01.2010 00:15	25	126		0	0 126		0 0	126	126	0	0,20
01.01.2010 00:30	23	117		0	0 117	1	0 0	117	117	0	0,20
01.01.2010 00:45	21	107		0	0 107	1	0 0	107	107	0	0,20
01.01.2010 01:00	20	99		0	0 99		0 0	99	99	0	0.20
01.01.2010 01:15	18	91		0	0 91		0 0	91	91	0	0.20
01.01.2010 01:30	17	83		0	0 83		0 0	83	83	0	0,20
01.01.2010 01:45	16	78		0	0 78	1	D 0	78	78	0	0,20
01.01.2010 02:00	15	74		0	0 74		0 0	74	74	0	0,20
01.01.2010 02:15	14	71		0	0 71		0 0	71	71	0	0,20
01.01.2010 02:30	14	69		0	0 65		0 0	69	69	0	0.20
01.01.2010 02:45	13	67		0	0 67		0 0	67	67	0	0,20
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01.01.2010 06:30	13	64		0	0 64		0 0	64	64	0	0.20
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Figure 0-12 One Year Data Calculation Sheet containing basic view of Loads, Generators, SoC of the Battery and Grid data

### Monte Carlo Simulation

The Monte Carlo Simulation (MCS) gives the opportunity to see what bandwidth variety the conclusion can have. The MCS calculate the data by diversifying the loads, generations and battery-sizes. Therefore the loads and generations are changed from plus minus X % with a Gauss-distribution in eleven quantified steps. The battery values are distributed as a Weibull-distribution, due to the fact that batteries mostly do not hit their rated capacity. Also they are affected over time by their usage, which will lead to capacity loss. As conclusion a bandwidth variety with their possibilities of occurrence are given. The parameter can be set.

![](_page_27_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_27_Figure_4.jpeg)

#### Figure 0-14: Weibull-Distribution

Plot for Standard Values: PV 5 kW, Load General 5000 kWh/h, Battery 5 kWh, SoC 20%, Maximum Load

![](_page_28_Figure_1.jpeg)

*Figure 0-15:* Bandwidth – Probability over Internal Consumption Quote

### **Robustness Simulation**

The robustness simulation is like the MCS an analysis type where more information can be gathered. For robustness simulation ratios are taken into account. There are two ratios: PV to Load and Battery to Load ratio (see Table 0-7). Every output parameter can be displayed as dependency of the ratios which maxes similar sized systems comparable.

	Table 0-7:	Ratios for Ro	bustness Simulation
Ratio #	Ratio between	and	Ratio Calculation
1 PV	Generation PV an	d Load	0.1 2 <u>kW</u> 1000 kWh
2 Bat	Battery and Load		0.1 20 <u><i>kWh</i></u> 1000 <i>kWh</i>

#### Example:

Load  $:= 5000 \, kWh$ 

Generation PV and Load Ratio = 1 (Ratio #1 PV)

$$\Rightarrow PV = Load \times (Ratio \#1 PV) = 5000 \, kWh \times 1 \, \frac{kW}{1000 \, kWh} = 5 \, kW$$

Battery and Load = 2 (Ratio #2 Bat)

 $\Rightarrow Battery = Load \times (Ratio \#1 Bat) = 5000 \, kWh \times 2 \, \frac{kWh}{1000 \, kWh} = \frac{2 \times 5000 \, kWh}{1000} = 10 \, kWh$ 

Similar Systems:

If ratios and additional background parameters (see 0) stay the same technical output values stay the same; economical costs vary.

The results of the robustness simulation are shown in chapter 0.

## **Calculation for PV-Battery Tool**

## **Calculation General**

Calculation for PV-Battery-Tool elucidated the features implemented of Excel and the visual basic for application language (VBA). The calculation in Excel is done via formula written to cells (see Figure 0-16). Another way to execute function is by Macros. Macros can perform more complex functions. Macros can call automatically achieve tasks also doable by hand, but are much faster by using Macros (see Figure 0-17).

![](_page_30_Figure_4.jpeg)

**Figure 0-16:** Formula in Cell A4 calculates the sum of A1 + A2 + A3 = 71 + 441 + 51 = 563

Option Explicit

Sub BasicExampleAdd()

End Sub

*Figure 0-17:* Mini Excel Macro: Sum up 3 values (A1, Cell 2,1 and Cell 3,1) and write them to cell A4. Cell 2,1 is A2 and Cell 3,1 is A3

#### **Profiles normed (Loads)**

The Load profiles are normed to 1000 kWh per year.

The Energy demand x for one time step is calculated by the x kWh/a entered in the Load profile window. Factor R stands for Recalculate or Resize.

$$\bar{E}_{demand x} = \frac{x in [kWh/a]}{1000 kWh/a} \times \bar{E}_{demand 0}$$
Factor R

**Equation 0-7:** Calculation of Energy Consumption

The general load profile is an average of 150 Single-Households normed to 1000 kWh/a.

#### **Resize Calculation Example:**

Time	January 1 <sup>st</sup> 00:00		
General Energy Demand x	5000 kWh/a		
Profile Energy Value	27 Wh (in this 15 min time step)		
	Power: $P = 27 Wh \times \frac{60 \frac{min}{h}}{15 \min} = 27 Wh \times \frac{4}{h} = 108 W$		
$\Rightarrow  \text{Factor} \\ \Rightarrow  \overline{E}_{demand \ x}$	$R = \frac{x \text{ in } [kWh/a]}{1000 \ kWh/a} = \frac{5000 \ kWh/a}{1000 \ kWh/a} = 5$ $\bar{E}_{demand \ x} = R \times 27 \ Wh = 5 \times 27 \ Wh = 135 \ Wh$		

#### Profiles normed to 1 kW (Generators)

Generation profiles are normed to 1 kW of generator power; except PV; PV is normed to 1000 kWh/a. The PV full time usage hours for the year can be edited in the parameter settings tab. As well the PV to Inverter Ratio can be edited to limit PV generation output.

### **Battery Algorithm**

The battery algorithm is shown by the three sequence charts. The battery system recalls generation and load data (see Figure 0-18). In case generation exceeds the consumption energy the battery switch to the battery charging algorithm, else the battery is discharged. In case load energy is equal to the generation energy the charge algorithm is applied.

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

Figure 0-18: Battery Algorithm to switch to Charge or Discharge Algorithm

#### **Battery Charging Algorithm**

In case the battery enters the charging algorithm the next step is to recall the actual SoC. If SoC is bigger or equal to the maximum SoC the program checks if the maximum SoC would be exceeded. If so the battery is not charged to the maximum SoC limit. The surplus is fed into the grid. If the last SoC is the maximum SoC all energy is fed into the grid (see Figure 0-19).

![](_page_32_Figure_5.jpeg)

Figure 0-19: Battery Charging Algorithm; the steps are checked from right to left

#### **Battery Discharging Algorithm**

The battery discharging algorithm recalls the SoC first. The next step in case of the SoC is lower or equal full capacity but not minimum SoC the battery is discharged. If the minimum SoC would be underrun, the battery is only discharged to the minimum SoC. The remaining demand for powering the loads is withdrawn from the power grid. If the SoC is already the minimum SoC the entire demand is powered by the grid (see Figure 0-20).

![](_page_33_Figure_1.jpeg)

Figure 0-20: Battery Discharging Algorithm; the steps are checked from right to left

#### PV Inverter Ratio and 70 % Cut Off

The PV inverter ratio and the 70 % cut off are directly implemented to the PV profile (e.g. see Figure 0-21). The 70 % cut off is equivalent of an inverter ratio of one divided by 0.7 resulting in a factor of 1.43. Modern PV plants will have a ratio of 1.4 or higher depending on PV module price and utilisation of the exceeding energy.

![](_page_33_Figure_5.jpeg)

Influence of 70% PV Cut

*Figure 0-21:* 70 % impacts on energy output of PV generator

## Software Development Method

## **Program Analysis and Finding Best Parameters**

Several simulations were run with different load distributions. For running the simulation the standard generator is PV. Several standard households were defined. For a better compatibility only the ratios of the robustness simulation were taken into account (see chapter 0). The ratios enable the comparison to similar sized systems.

## **Robustness Simulation**

The following diagrams make clear how the internal consumption can be increased. The ratio PV/Load and Battery/Load have to be increased. PV or battery capacity has to be raised or load has to be decreased. The internal consumption and battery lifetime is dependent on the generation and load profiles.

Standard Household 1 features mostly daily concentrated loads during the day and at night no big idle consumers are connected to the system.

Standard Household 2 instead has got electric vehicles, which consumes as much power is the general household load.

Standard Household 3 got a heat pump and electric vehicles which could be enabled during daytime, but the tariff from the energy supply company allows a special contract to just use the heat pump during night hours.

Each standard household is the used data and profile given. The heat pump of "Standard Household 3" the heat pump operation algorithm can be improved by using the heat pump on days with high solar irradiance and other occasions which fit the energy supply company needs. The internal consumption quote rises when generation and load appear simultaneously. The battery is less used and lifetime is increased. If load and generation do not happen simultaneously the battery is able to store the energy and supply it when the generator cannot supply energy. Thus battery is used often and its lifetime decreases. This case applies for PV. The generator only produces power during daytime. Loads which are demanded during night hours cannot be supplied instantly. For each standard household two graphs are shown as well as the used profiles names. Table 0-8 shows

the Inputs and the assigned profiles or data. The profile for load general is my own profile from the first three month of 2012 put together four times for a whole year.

Table 0-8:Inputs and Profile Assignment for Standard Household 1, 2 and 3

Input	Profile / Data				
Generator PV	PV_Garching_1000kWh				
Load General	Rics_Loadprofile_Middle	OfJanuaryToMiddleOfMarch			
Load Heat Pump	HP_night_Optimized_0_to_6				
Load Car	Car_night_0_to_6_1000kWh_per_year				
	70 % cut off: No				
PV	PV/Inverter Ratio: 1				
	SoCmin:	0 %			
Detter	SoC <sub>max</sub> :	100 %			
Battery	Cyclestability:	2500			
	Input/Output Efficiency:	98 %			
Ratios #1 PV	0.1 2 <u>kWp</u> 1000 kWh				
Ratio #2 Bat	$0.1 \dots 4 \frac{kWh}{1000  kWh}$				

#### **Chart Interpretation General**

The first table shows the lifetime expectation for the battery (see Figure 0-22). The red area shows insufficient battery lifetime, the blue to dark blue area sufficient lifetime up to 20 years and the white area the lifetime between shows the area of medium lifetime expectation. The second table in the sub-chapters named Household 1 to 3 always shows the internal consumption quote over the two ratios (see Figure 0-23). The green area shows the highest, yellow medium and red low internal consumption rates. For a quick comparison the two charts are simplified using less data and compared in chapter 0.

![](_page_36_Figure_1.jpeg)

### PV Ratio (PV/Load\*1000)

Figure 0-22:

Lifetime expectation over Battery Ratio and PV Ratio

![](_page_36_Figure_5.jpeg)

### PV Ratio (PV/Load\*1000)

Figure 0-23:

Internal consumption Quote over Battery Ratio and PV Ratio

### **Best Working Conditions**

Best working conditions appear when battery lifetime and internal consumption quote gathers an optimum. Following Figure 0-24 shows a compare view of the Household charts. The first rows of internal consumption quote (ICQ) vary widely from 13 % to 41 % of one Household to another. The energy use during night is greatly increased from Household 1 over number 2 to number 3. The total energy consumption is in every case the same but the usage time differs. The internal consumption quote without battery drops dependent on the ratio of energy used during day to energy used during night the ICQ is lower for household 2 and 3 compared to household 1. For the households 1 and 2 ICQ reaches in both terms with big battery (Ratio Battery = 4) and moderate to high PV power capability (Ratio PV = 1 ... 2). The lifetime for household 2 and 3 are decreased significantly. The battery should be large and the PV system should be rated to supply the energy for the whole year to satisfy consumption demand (Ratio PV = 1) to extend lifetime expectancy.

![](_page_37_Figure_3.jpeg)

*Figure 0-24:* Overview of all Households