

Composing Thermostatically Controlled Loads to Determine the Reliability against Blackouts

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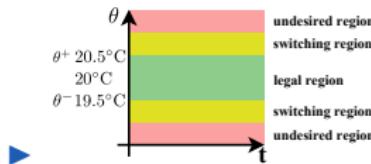


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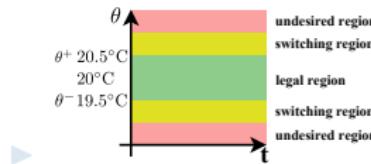


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Switch m

$$m_i(t_{n+1}) = \begin{cases} 0, & \theta(t) < \theta_s - \delta = \theta_- \\ 1, & \theta(t) > \theta_s + \delta = \theta_+ \\ m(t) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

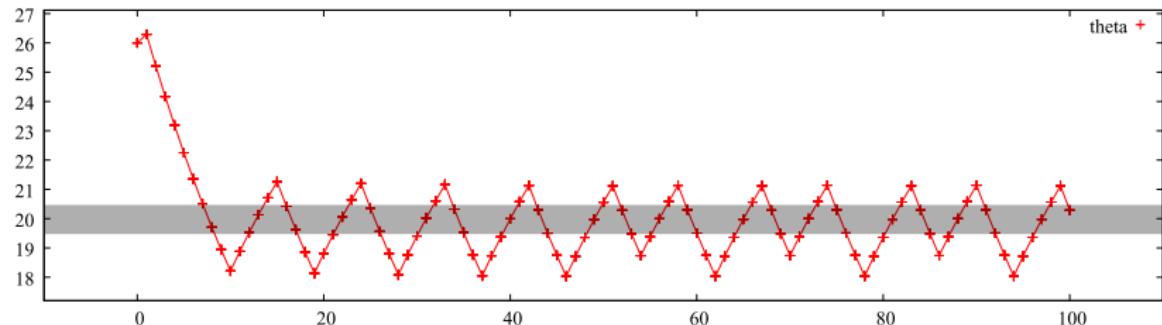
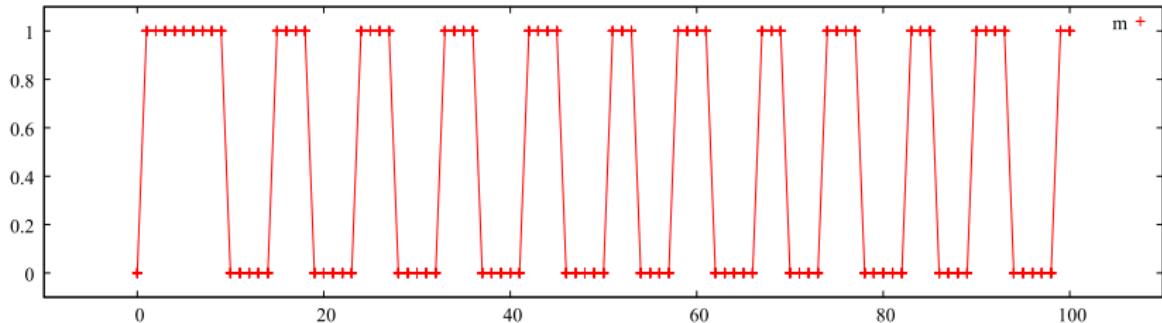
Basic Parameters

Parameter	Meaning	Standard value	Unit
R	average thermal resistance	2	°C/kW
C	average thermal capacitance	10	kWh/ °C
P	average energy transfer rate	14	kw
η	load efficiency	2.5	
θ_s	temperature set point	20	°C
δ	thermostat hysteresis	0.5	°C
θ_a	ambient temperature	32	°C

Table: Model parameters [Callaway2009]

Execution Trace

... with basic parameters and without noise:



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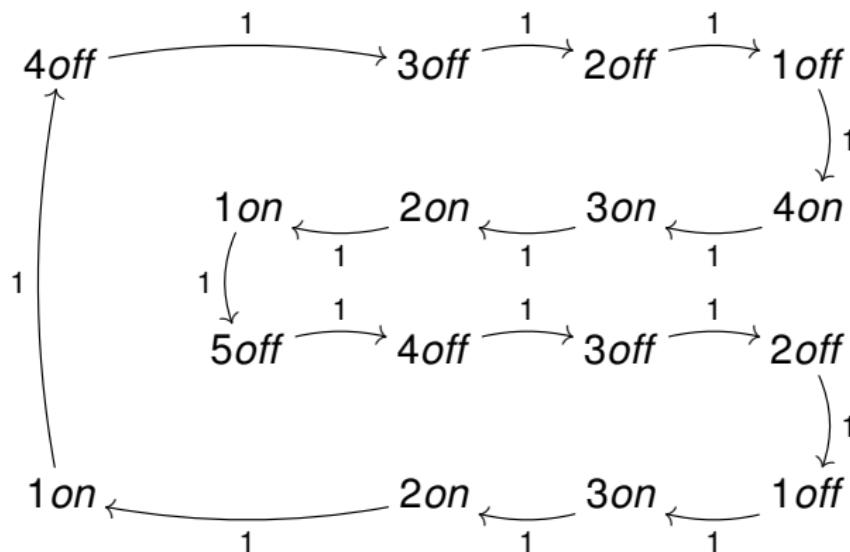
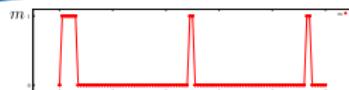
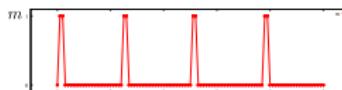
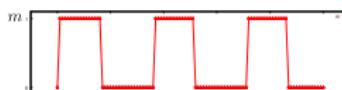
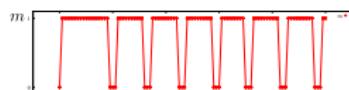
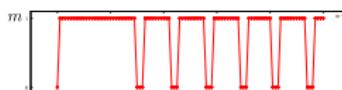


Figure: Repetitive cycle of a switch remaining in a certain state

Manipulating the Parameters

(a) $R = 20 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} = kW$ (b) $P = 140 \text{ kw}$ (c) $C = 100 \text{ kWh/ } ^{\circ}\text{C}$ (d) $\delta = 5 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (e) $\theta_a = 42 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ (f) $\theta_s = 10 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Binning & Noise

- ▶ Binning: discretize continuous temperature domain
 - ▶ noise: add noise function (third part of equation)
- ⇒ transition probabilities to *hop* from one bin to the next bin within one discrete time step.

Simulating Temperature Evolution

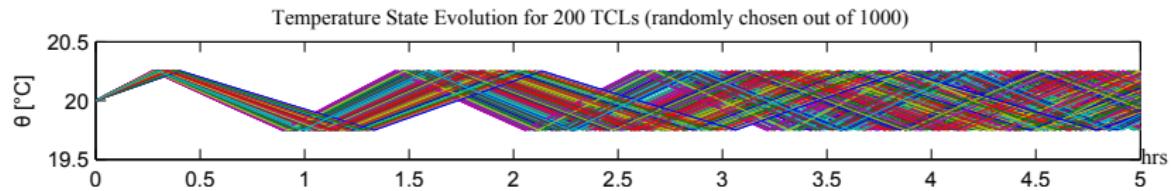


Figure: Simulating Temperature Evolution, [Koch2009]

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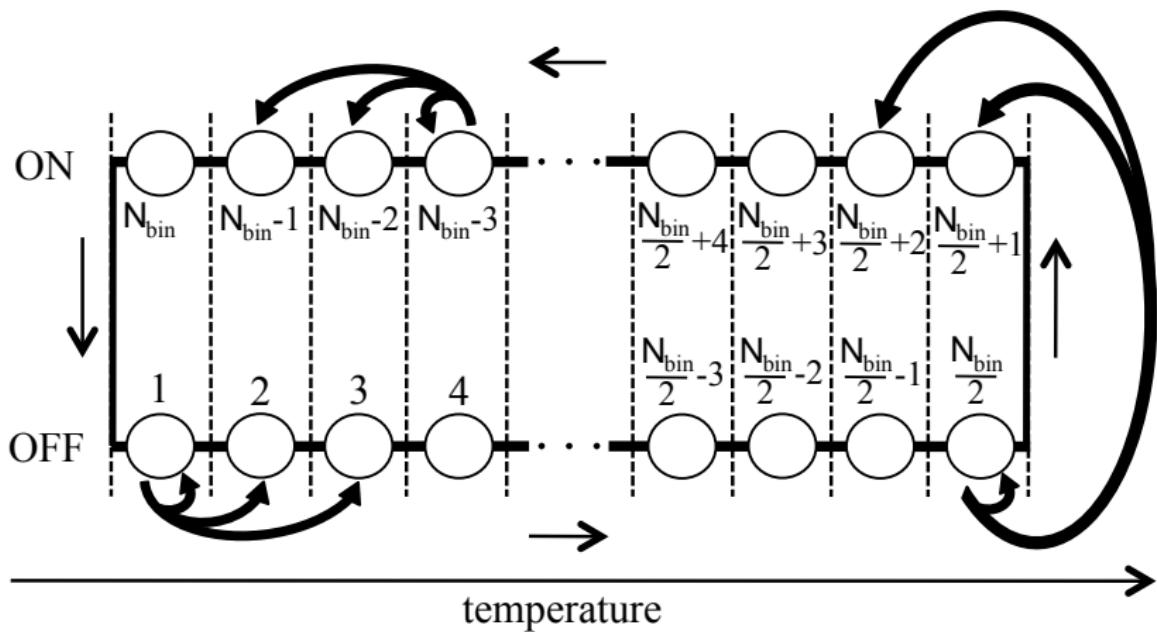


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From BMP to DTMC

↓ from/to →		1 on	2 on	1 off	2 off
1 on		p_1	$1 - p_1$		
2 on			p_2	$1 - p_2$	
1 off				p_3	$1 - p_3$
2 off		$1 - p_4$			p_4

Table: Example symbolic DTMC for a surrogate housing \mathcal{D}_1

16 states, 64 transitions → ten states, 36 transitions

Two Houses, two Bins

		first quarter column						second quarter column						third quarter column						fourth quarter column								
		↓ from/to →	(1on, 1on)	(1on, 2on)	(1on, 1off)	(1on, 2off)			↓ from/to →	(2on, 1on)	(2on, 2on)	(2on, 1off)	(2on, 2off)			↓ from/to →	(1off, 1on)	(1off, 2on)	(1off, 1off)	(1off, 2off)			↓ from/to →	(2off, 1on)	(2off, 2on)	(2off, 1off)	(2off, 2off)	
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Wireless Sensor Network

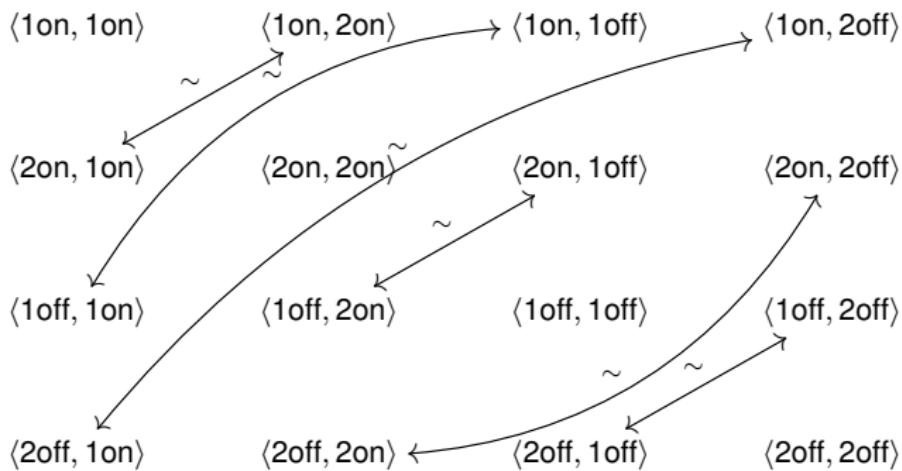
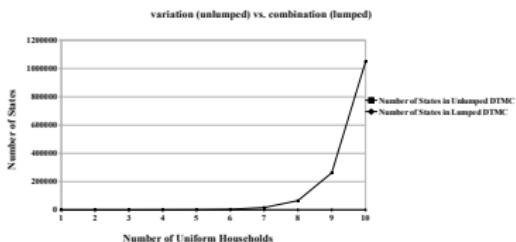


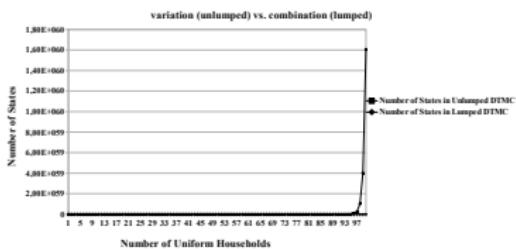
Figure: Lumping scheme showing which states are bisimilar

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(b) Dampening the state space explosion in the first 100 steps

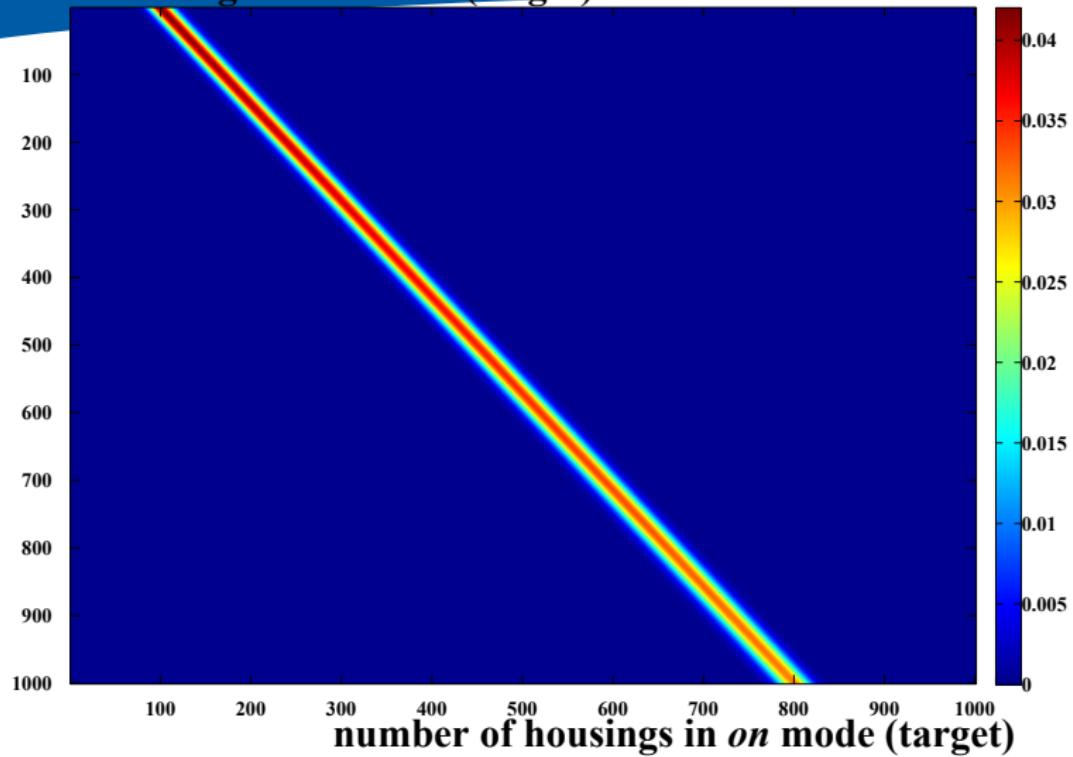
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Figure: 1000 housings TCL power grid

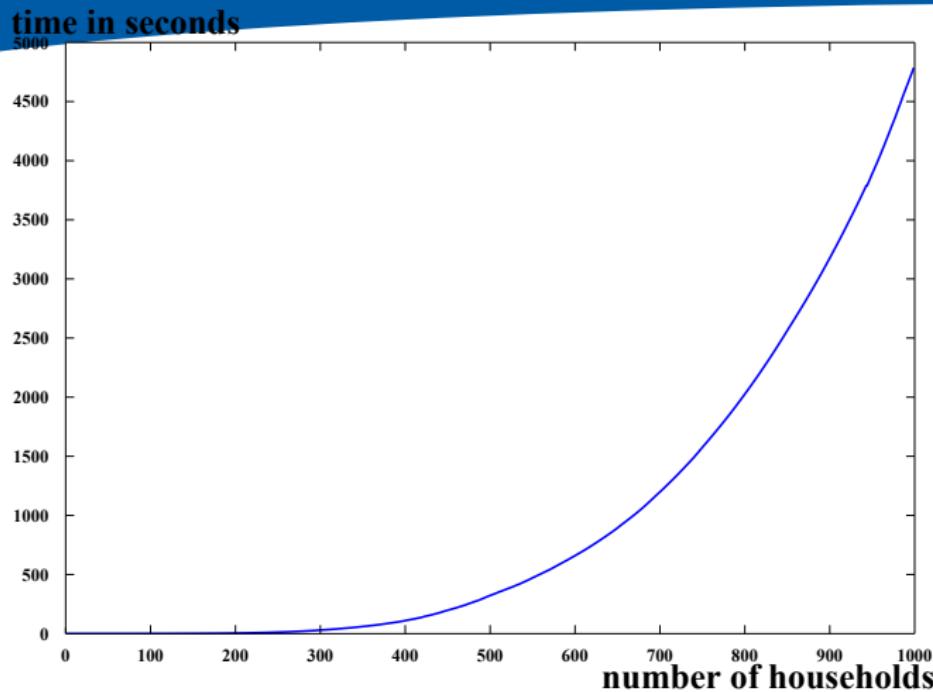
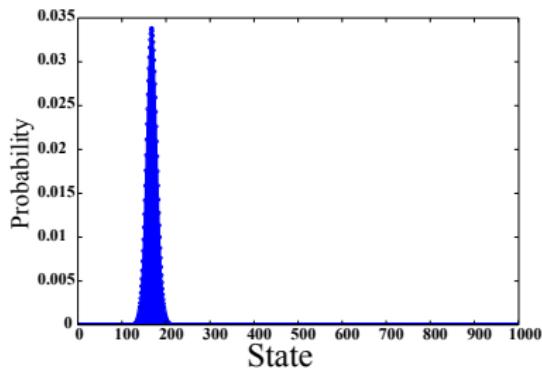
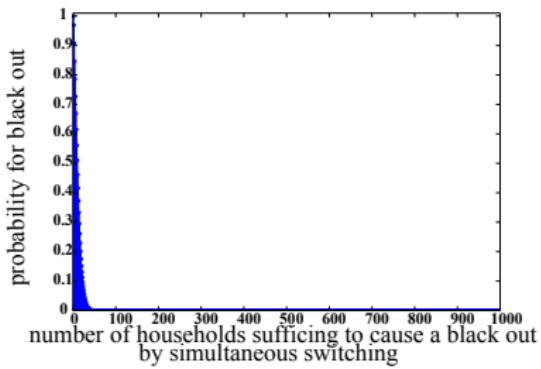


Figure: Time consumption to compute 1000 housings TCL power grid



(a) Stationary distribution



(b) Risk per time step to black out depending on the number of simultaneously switching households

Figure: Determining the risk to crash

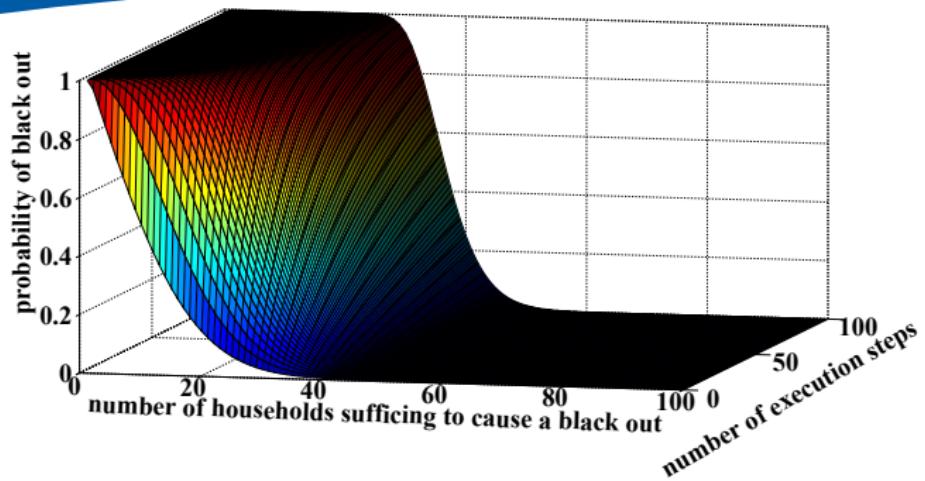


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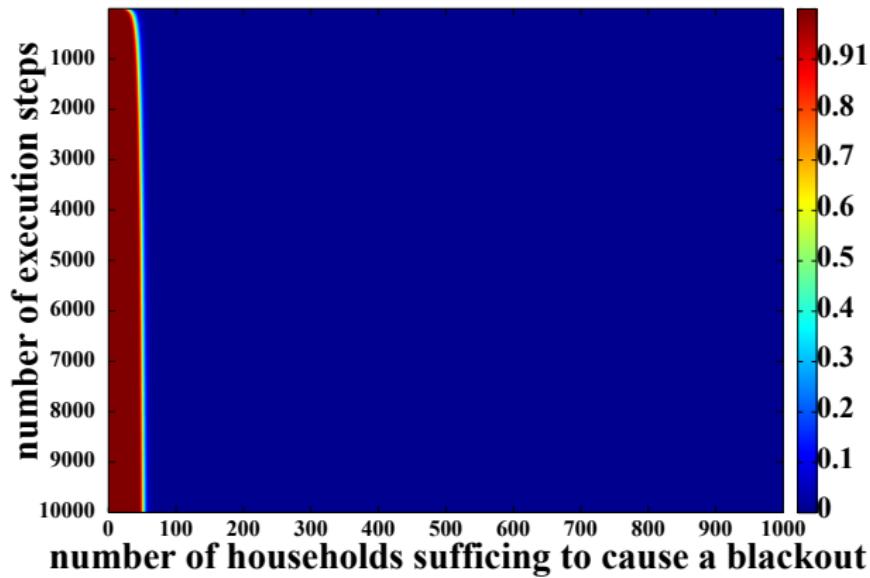


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