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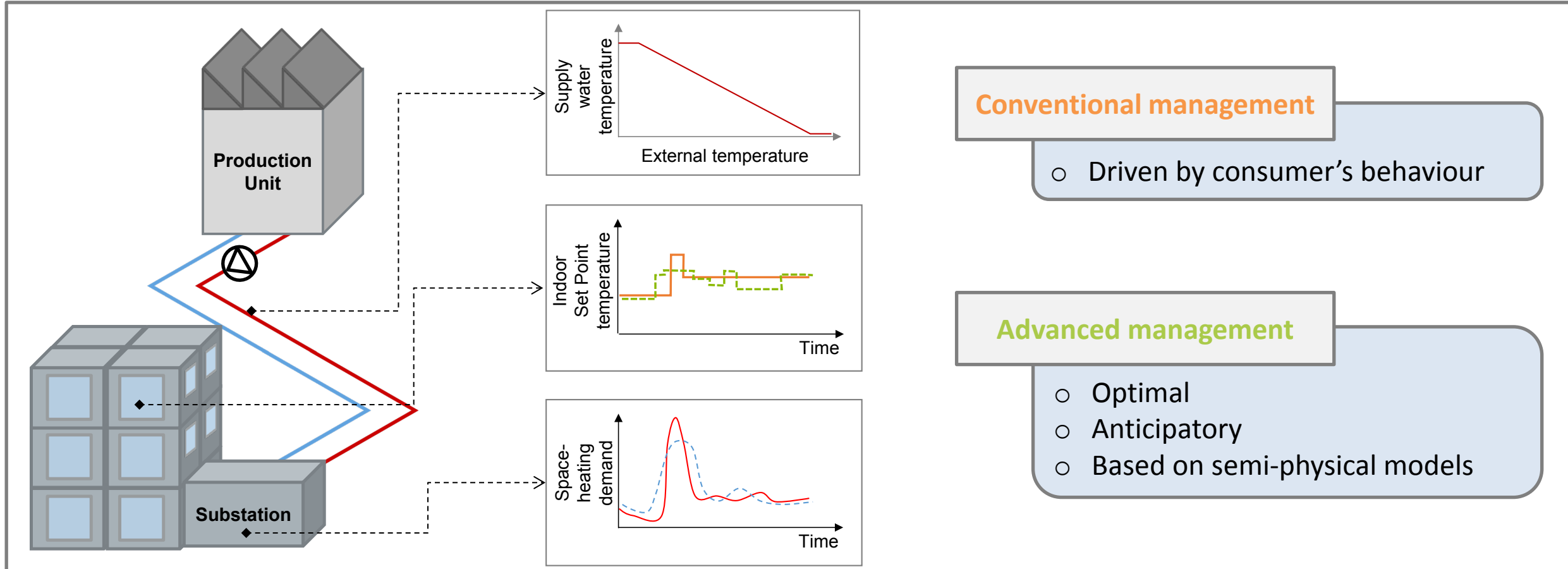
# Load shifting of space-heating demand in DHSs based on a building model identifiable at substation level

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# Context

## Space-heating demand management



### Conventional management

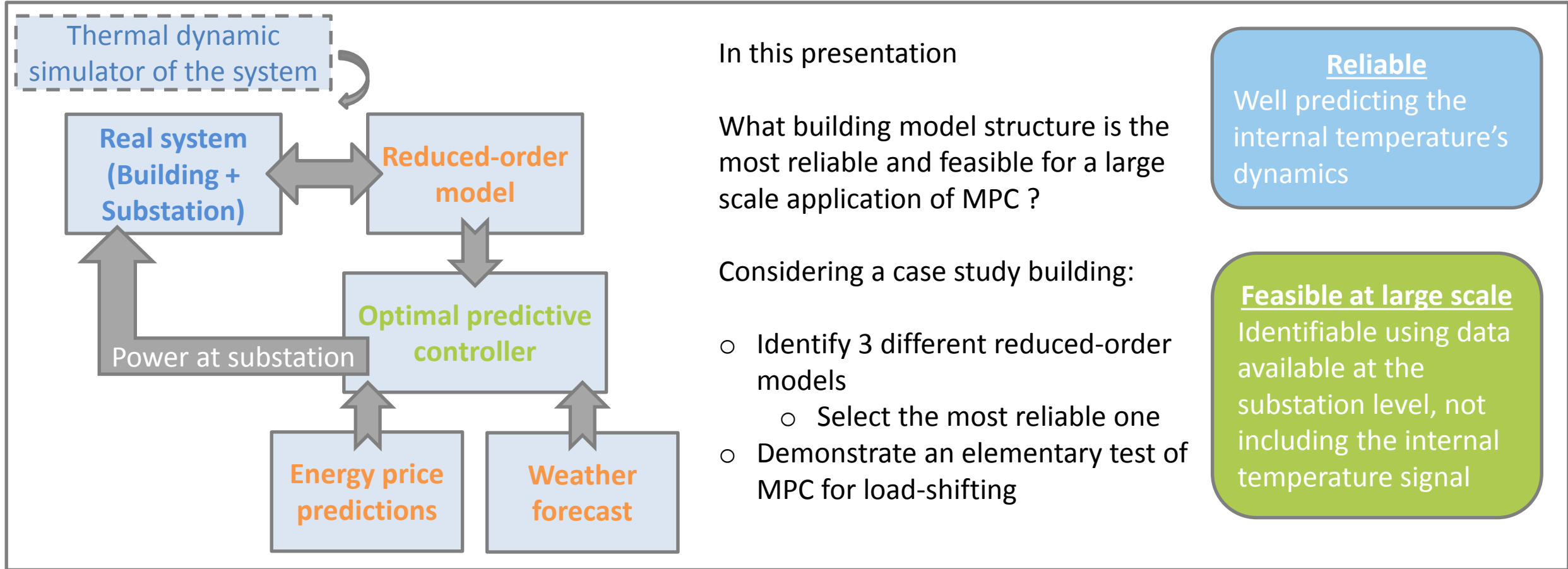
- Driven by consumer's behaviour

### Advanced management

- Optimal
- Anticipatory
- Based on semi-physical models

# Content

## Model Predictive Control



In this presentation

What building model structure is the most reliable and feasible for a large scale application of MPC ?

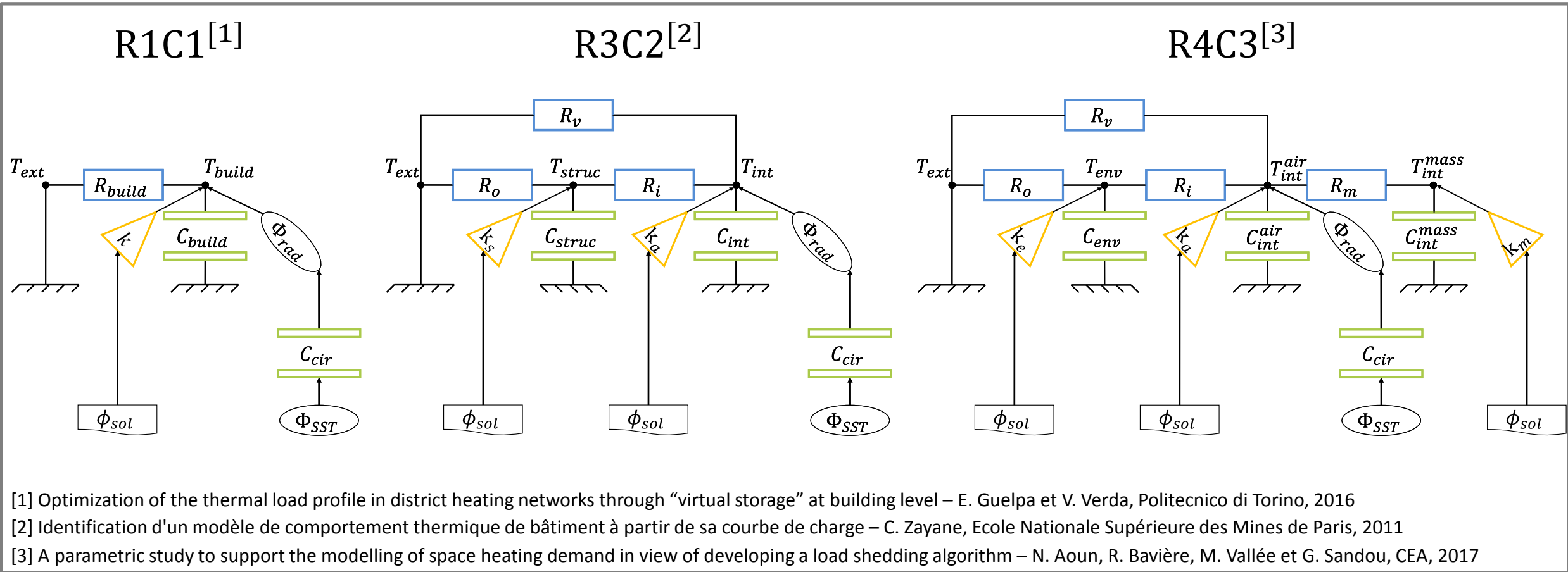
Considering a case study building:

- Identify 3 different reduced-order models
  - Select the most reliable one
- Demonstrate an elementary test of MPC for load-shifting

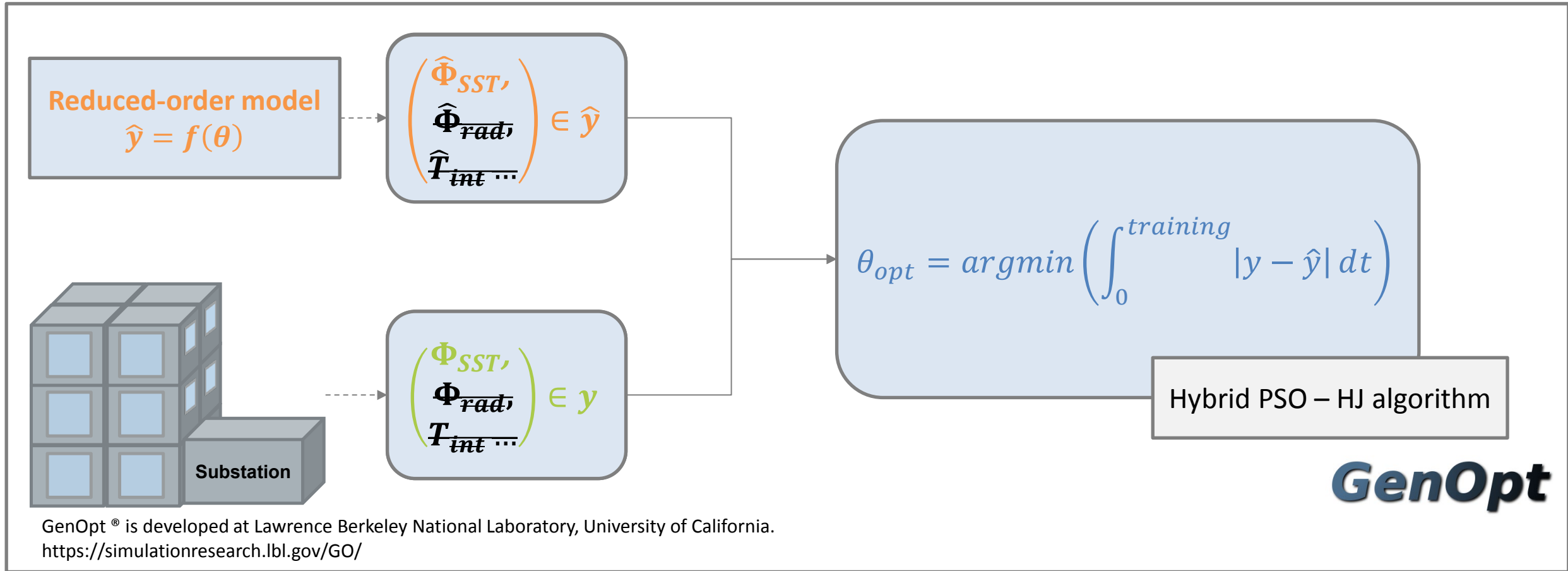
**Reliable**  
Well predicting the internal temperature's dynamics

**Feasible at large scale**  
Identifiable using data available at the substation level, not including the internal temperature signal

# Reduced-order building model Structures

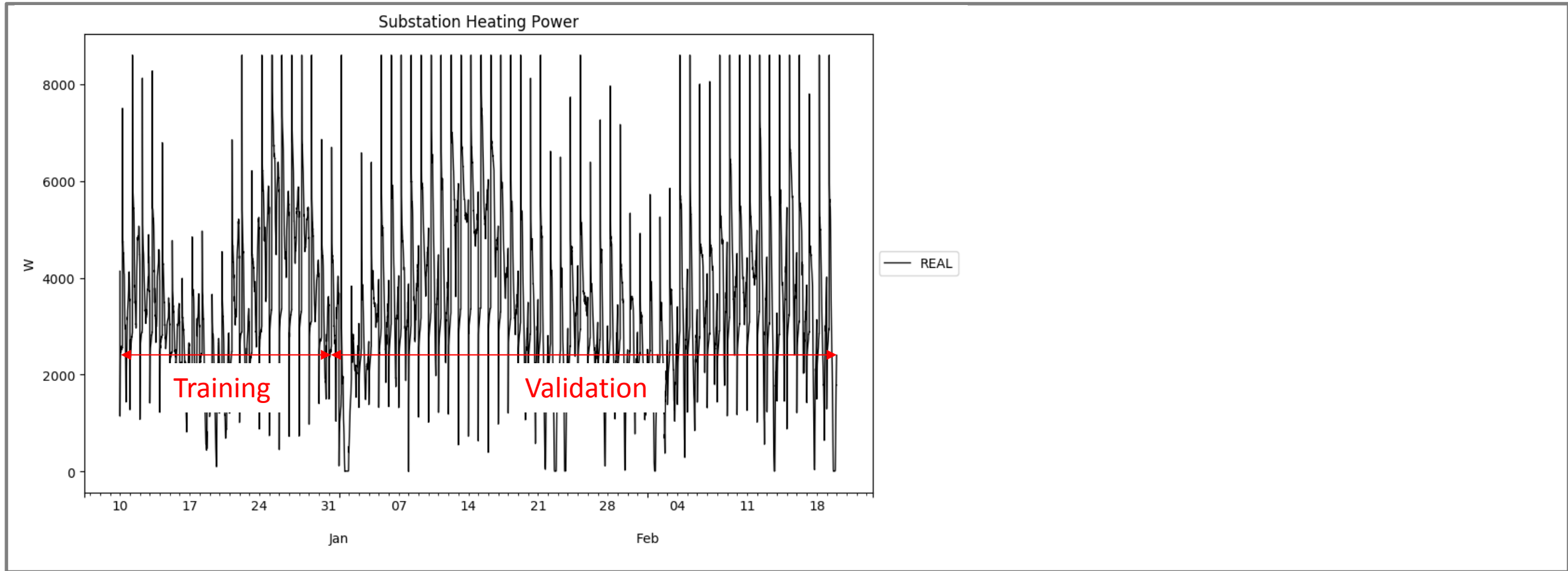


# Reduced-order building model Parameters Identification

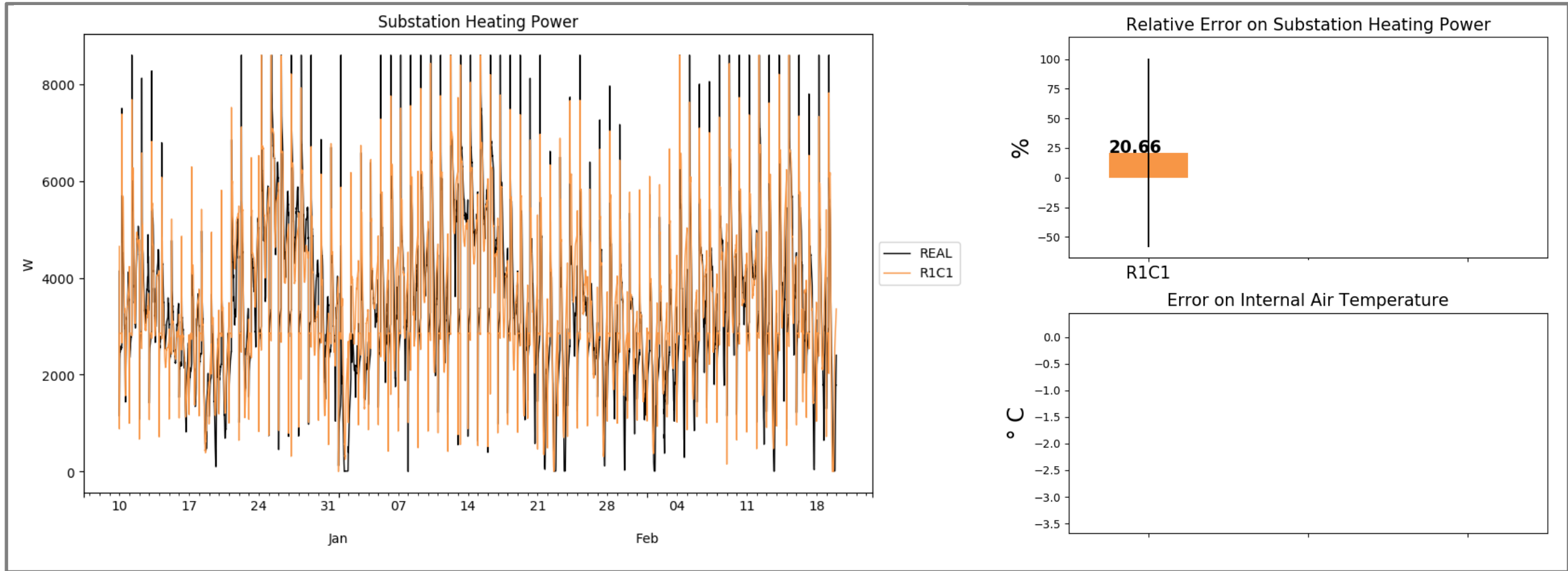


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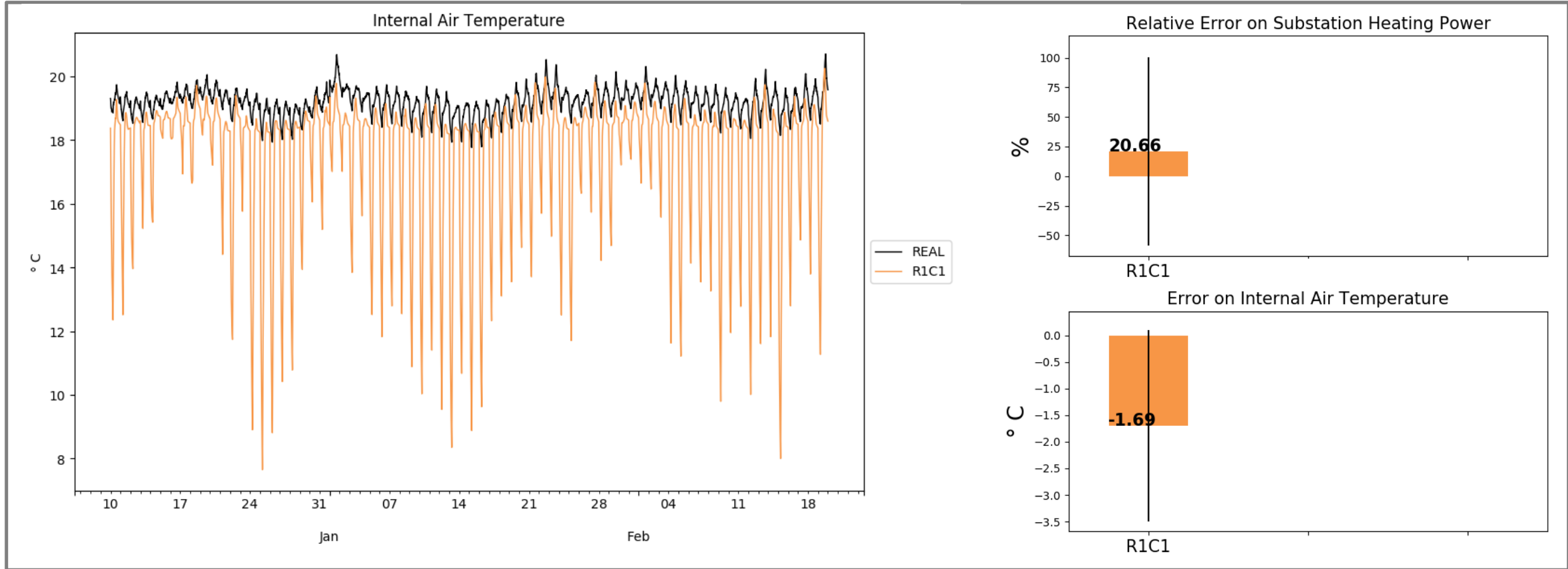
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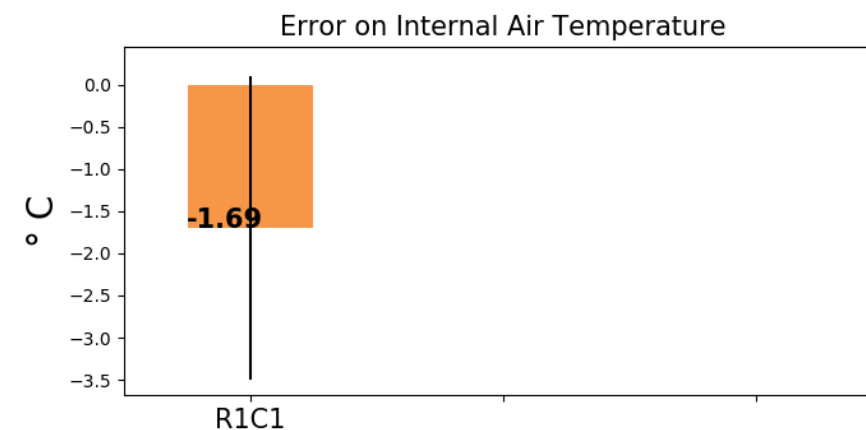
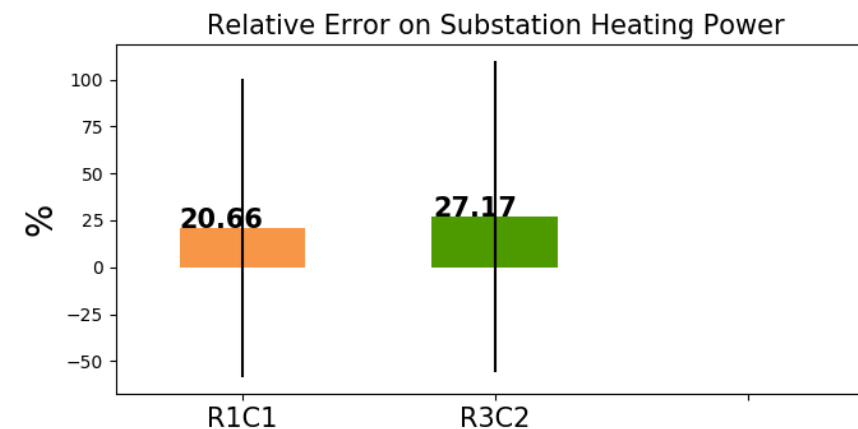
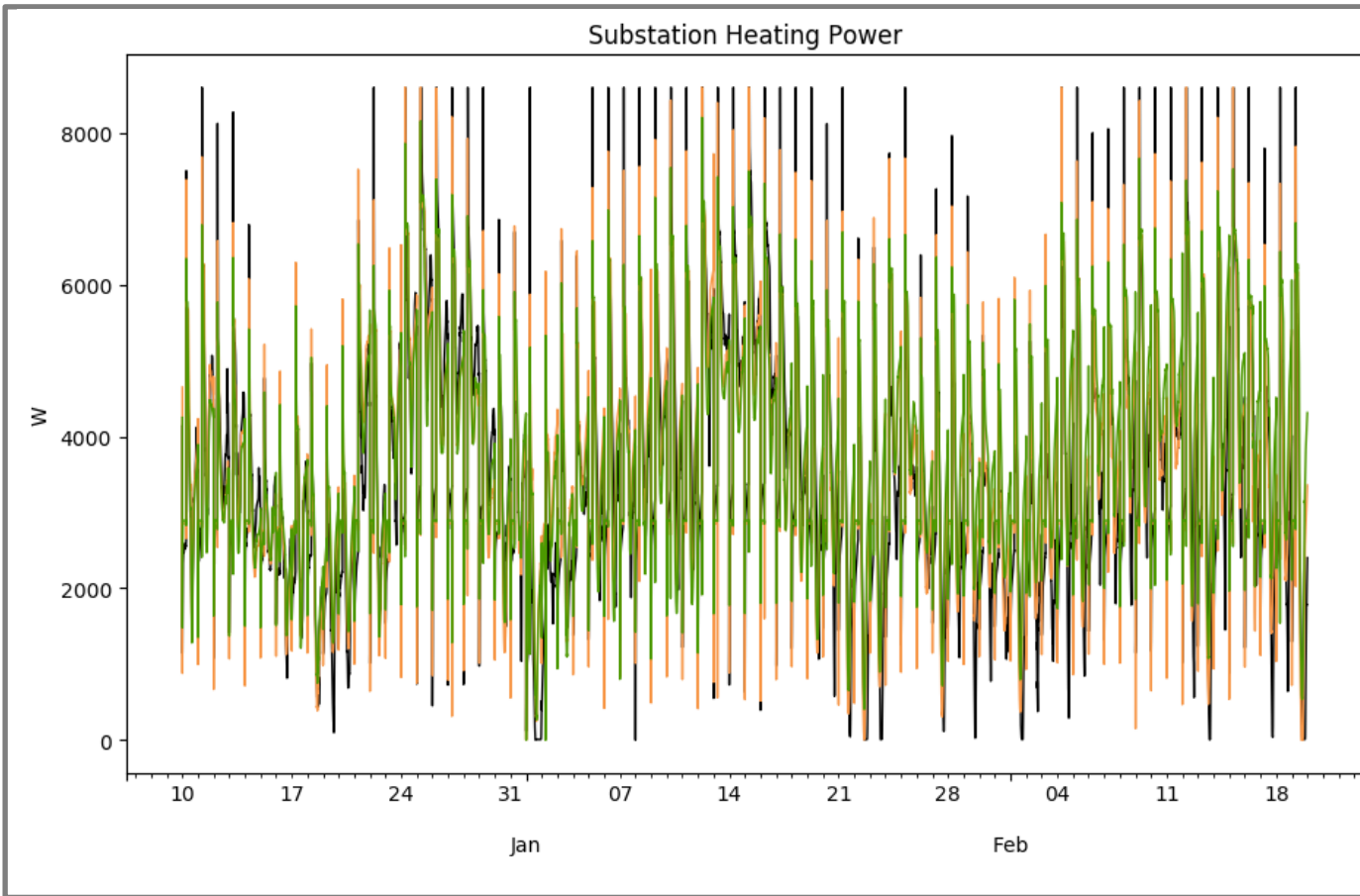
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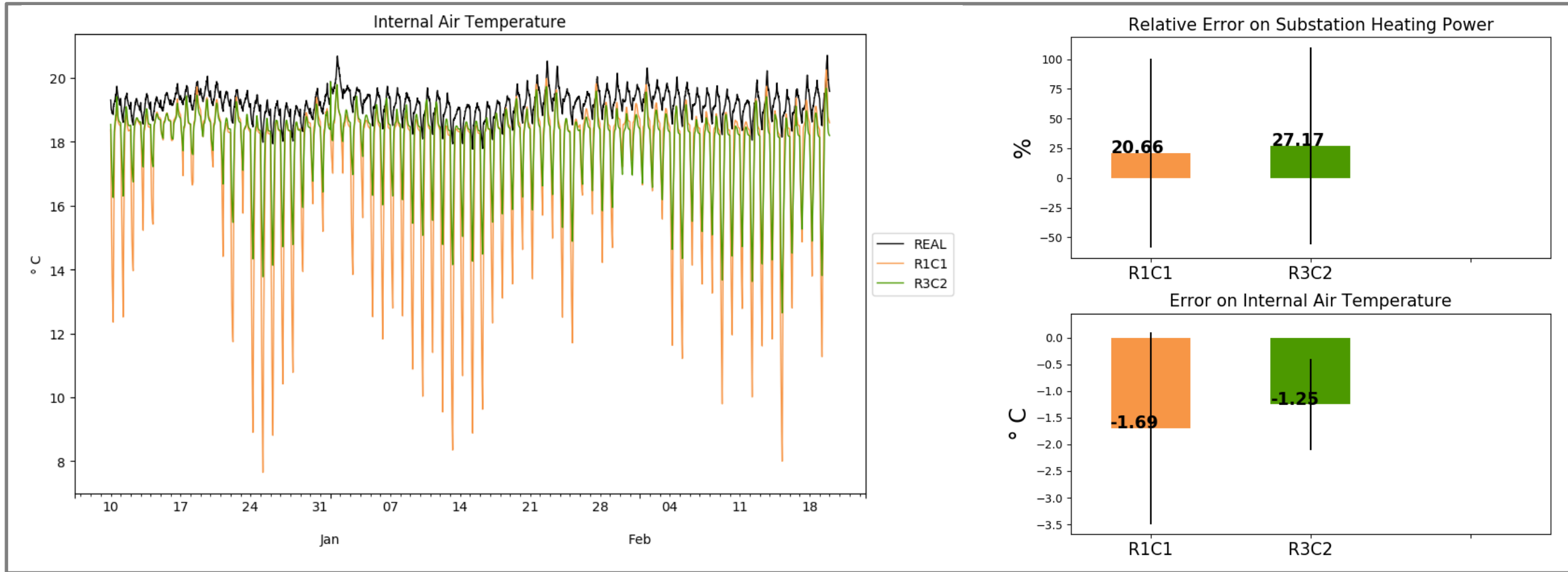


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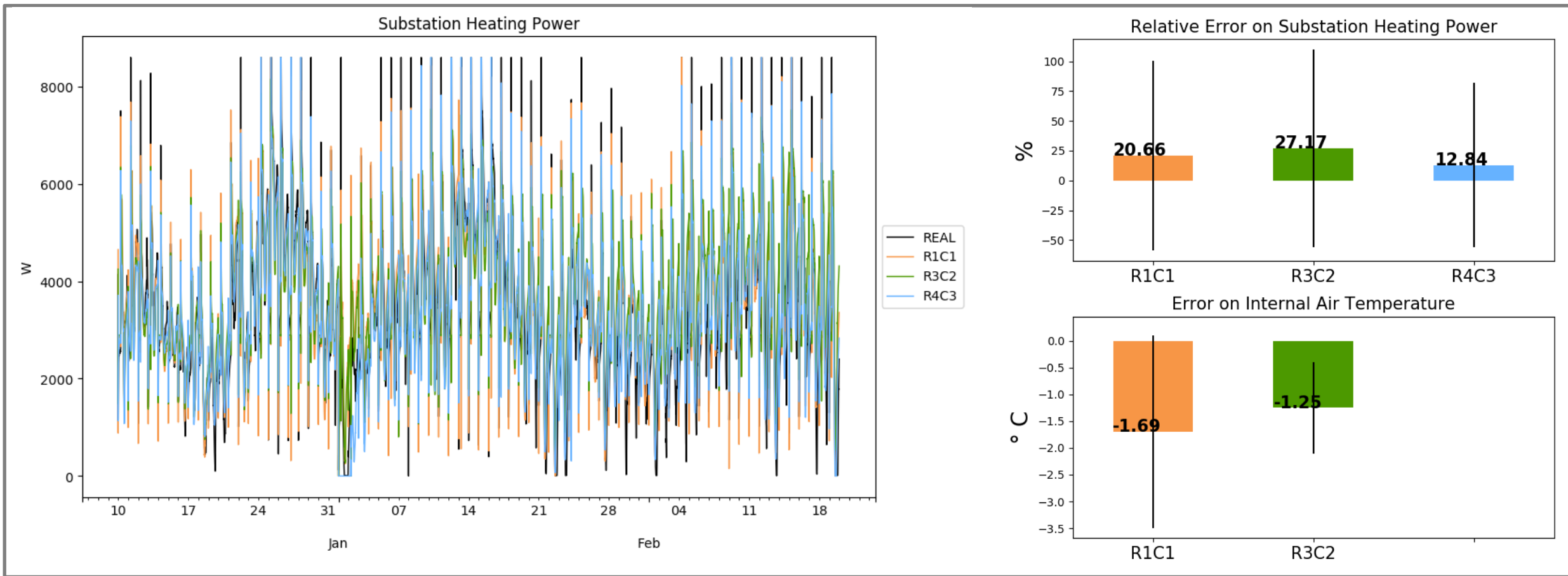


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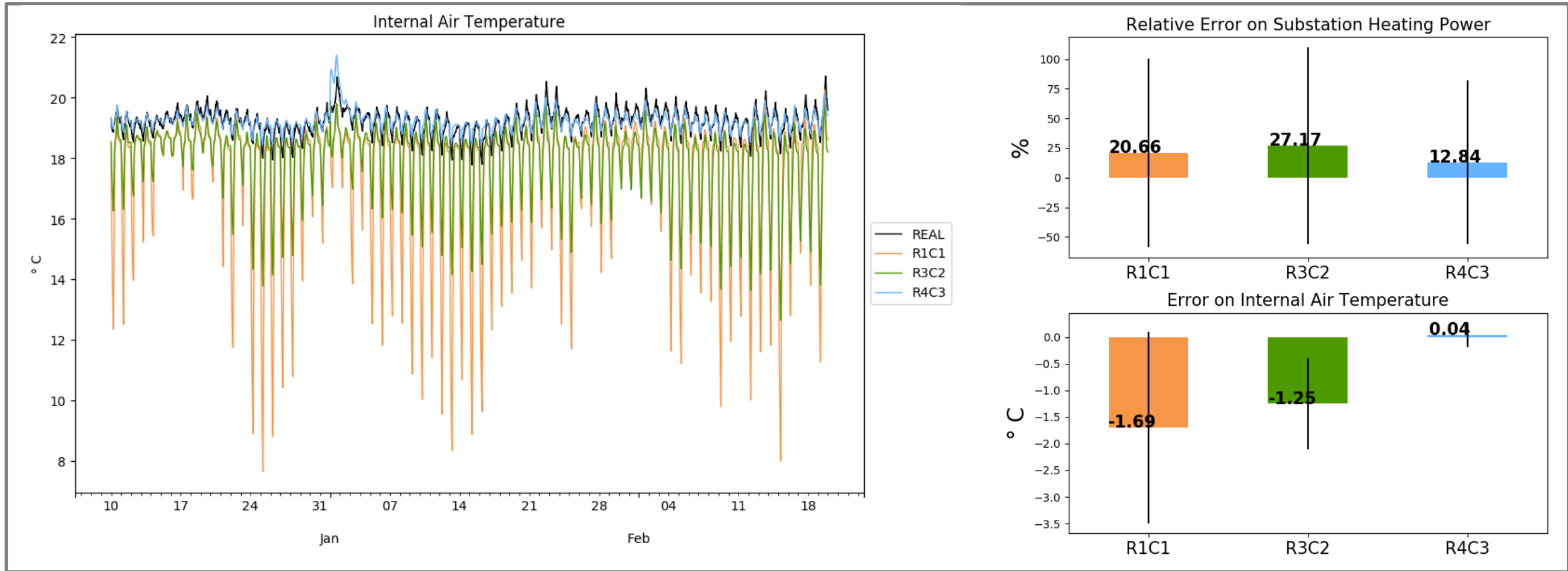




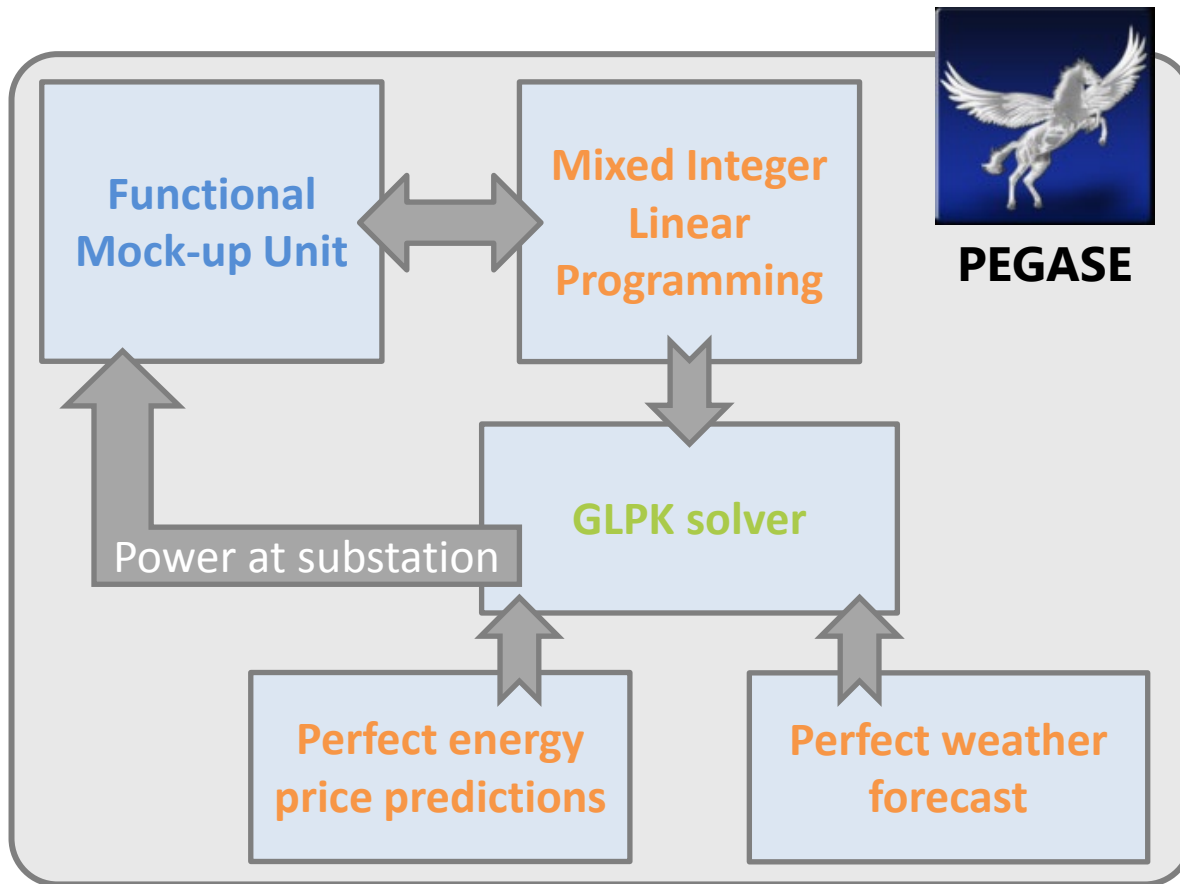
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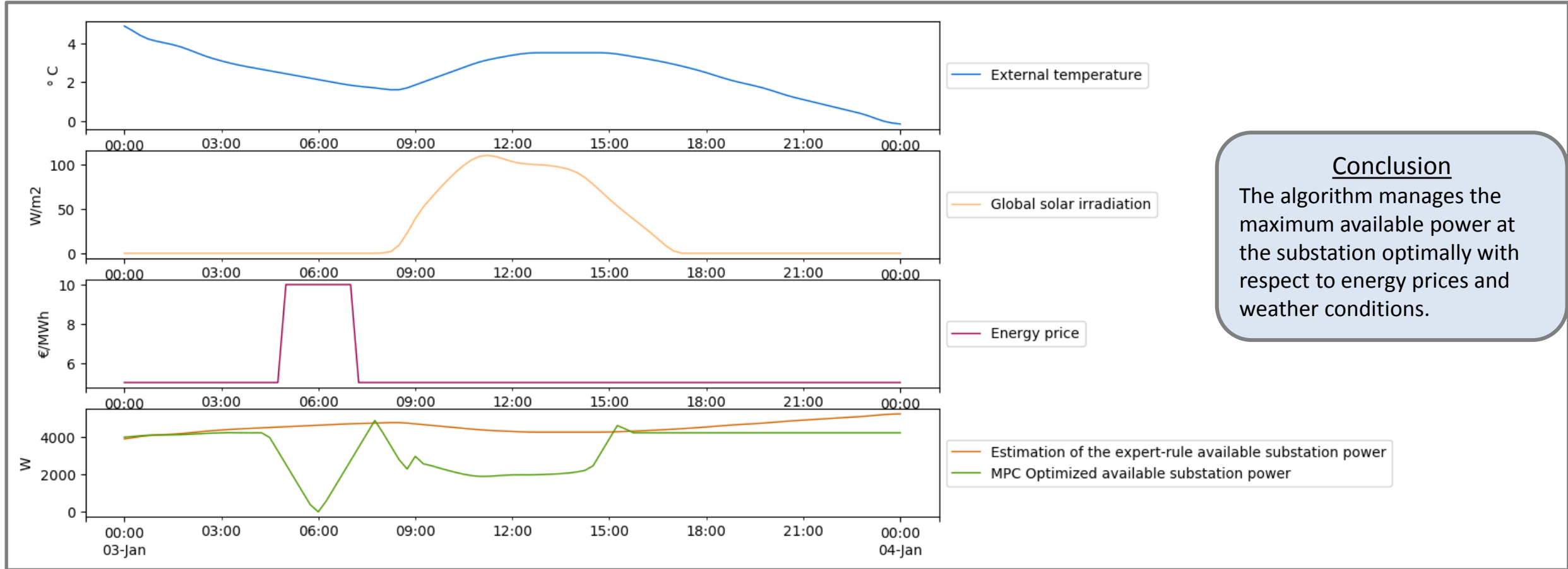
# Model Predictive Control Controller



Objective function

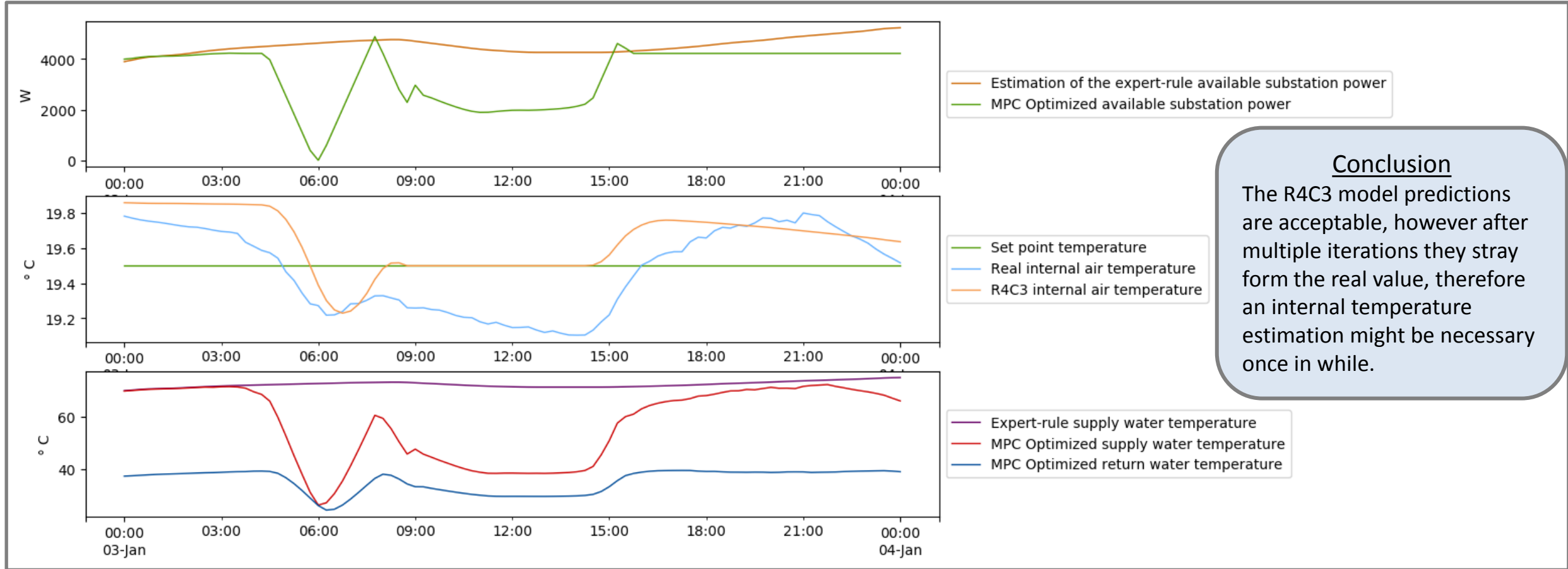
$$\int_{t_0}^{t_0+H} \{ \{ c^{NRJ}(t) \cdot \Phi_{SST}(t) \} + \{ c^{overheat}(t) \cdot [\delta T^{target}(t)]_+ \} + \{ c^{unmet}(t) \cdot [\delta T^{target}(t)]_- \} \} dt$$

# Model Predictive Control Demonstration



**Conclusion**  
The algorithm manages the maximum available power at the substation optimally with respect to energy prices and weather conditions.

# Model Predictive Control Demonstration



**Conclusion**  
The R4C3 model predictions are acceptable, however after multiple iterations they stray from the real value, therefore an internal temperature estimation might be necessary once in while.

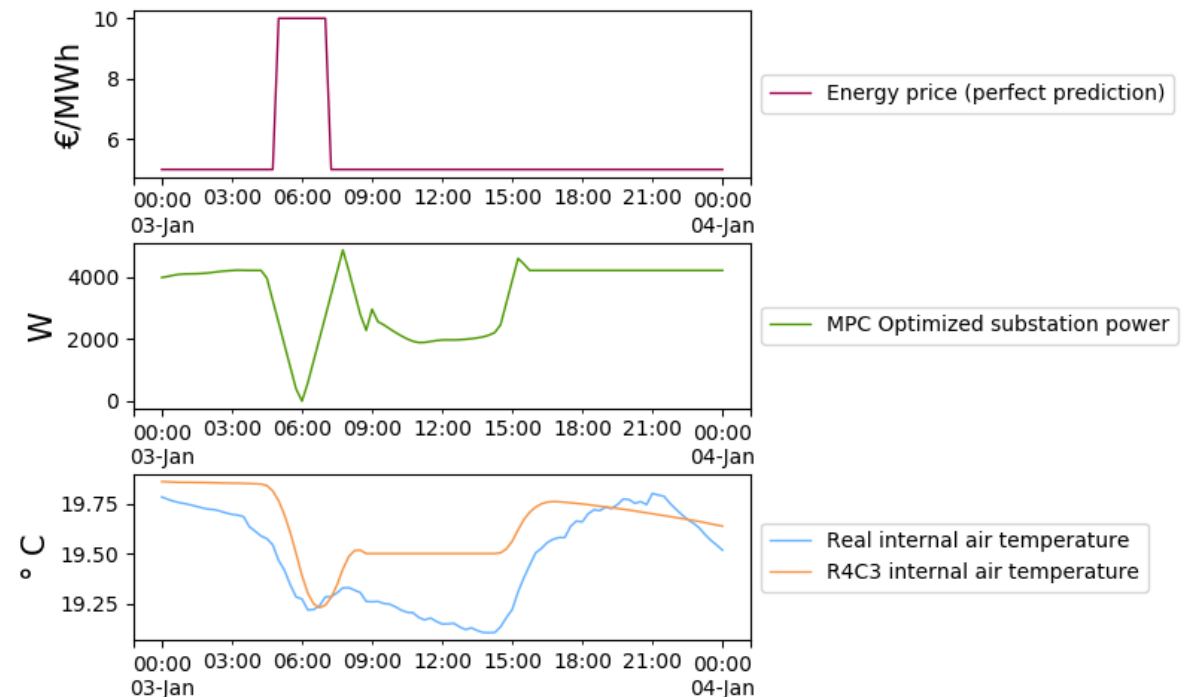
# Summary & Conclusions

We assessed the performance of 3 identified reduced-order building models

- The R4C3 model seems to be the most reliable for MPC

We performed an elementary test of MPC

- The optimal control adapts with energy prices predictions and shifts the load accordingly.
- The R4C3 model predicts well the indoor temperature dynamics but could be enhanced.
- Further research is needed to assess other DSM measures such as night-time set-back





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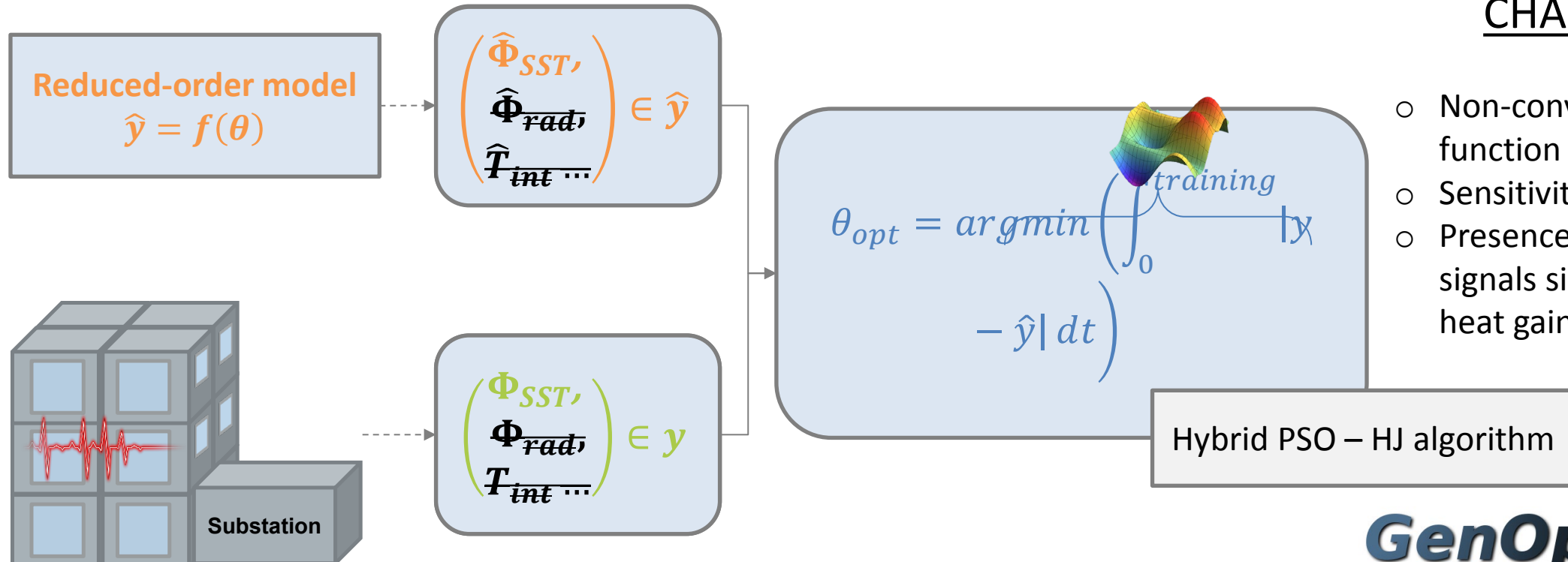
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# Reduced-order building model Parameters Identification

## CHALLENGES

- Non-convex optimization function
- Sensitivity to initialization
- Presence of disturbance signals simulating internal heat gain



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$$\int_{t_0}^{t_0+H} \left\{ \{c^{NRJ}(t) \cdot \Phi_{SST}(t)\} + \left\{ c^{overheat}(t) \cdot \left[ (T_{int}^{air}(t) - T_{SP}(t)) - \delta T^{tol}(t) \right]_+ \right\} + \left\{ c^{unmet}(t) \cdot \left[ (T_{int}^{air}(t) - T_{SP}(t)) - \delta T^{tol}(t) \right]_- \right\} \right\} dt$$

Handles constraints on internal comfort and technical limitations

Applies the receding horizon principle



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