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Techno-Economic Analysis of the Energy Resilience Performance of Energy-Efficient Buildings in a Cold Climate and Participation in the Flexibility Market

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Abstract: Unexpected power outages and extreme weather encouraged research on energy-resilient buildings throughout the world. Resilient building research mainly focuses on hot weather rather than cold extremes. This study defines resilience terminologies based on the available literature and discusses the impact of energy efficiency on energy resilience performance in energy-efficient buildings due to abrupt power outages in an extremely cold climate. The assessment involves the case simulation of a multistory apartment located in southern Finland at design outdoor conditions ($-26\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) in IDA-ICE 4.8, a dynamic building simulation software, and its techno-economic assessment to ensure building resilience for up to 7 days of power outages. The assessment shows the efficient building envelope can enhance the time taken by the building to drop the indoor temperature to the threshold by approximately 15%. Additionally, the efficient heating system along with the building envelope can reduce the instantaneous power demand by up to 5.3 times, peak power demand by up to 3.5 times, and on average power consumption by 3.9 times. Similarly, the study finds that the total energy requirement during a blackout can be reduced by 4.1 times. The study concludes that enhanced building resilience is associated with energy-efficient parameters such as an efficient energy system and an efficient building envelope that has low thermal losses and high thermal inertia retention. The batteries contribute the maximum proportion to the overall retrofitting cost, and the proportion can go up to 70% in baseline configurations and 77% in efficient configurations of buildings. The analysis concludes that the required investment varies largely with the technologies involved and the combination of components of these energy systems. The assessment finds that the high investment costs associated with batteries and battery recharging costs are the main bottlenecks to feasible flexibility in market participation.

Keywords: building resilience; energy-efficient building; energy flexibility; energy resilience; habitability; survivability



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1. Introduction

A prominent approach to decarbonization is the increasing penetration of renewables in energy generation. An Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report warned about the serious health risks for more than 350 million people due to the after-effects of climate change [1]. Recent worldwide events show the susceptibility of energy infrastructure to failure during extreme situations, such as extreme weather, natural disasters, and international conflicts [2]. Lack of planning for resource utilization in development strategies can lead to tragic consequences during extreme weather.

Residential, commercial, and public services encompass approximately 30% of Europe's total energy consumption. Among this major portion are buildings and common areas [3]. Abrupt weather can lead to abnormal temperatures within buildings and common areas. Thus, the buildings require retrofitting with insulators and energy systems that can satisfy the energy demand to maintain indoor conditions during the disruption.

This integration of energy systems, or retrofitting, involves extra investment and operational and maintenance costs. The cost involved varies with the technology used and is constrained by numerous factors, including technological maturity, geographical locations, local availability, and policies.

2. State of the Art

Although resilience research has been ongoing for a while, it primarily focuses on the grid system rather than the building system. Among building resilience research, overheating scenarios studies fill the major research proportion, and very limited research is available on extremely cold weather conditions. Lisa and Graham examined passive survivability assessment protocols and metrics and proposed an evaluation methodology for building resilience. The research includes power outage simulation and analyzing the results of building design in a multifamily building [4]. Hamdy et al. introduced the cost-effective flexibility index (CEFI) and active survivability index (ASI) as comparison indicators of building design to analyze survivability from an economic viewpoint in fully electrified buildings in the cold climate of Norway [5]. Homaei and Hamdy experimented with the quantification of thermal resilience in buildings for prolonged power outages and formulated a standard framework for the cold climate. The study introduces weighted unmet thermal performance as an indicator to benchmark the building resilience class [6]. Zhivov intensified the role of thermal mass in building resilience. It scrutinizes the system's resilience through a quantitative approach derived from analytical and experimental studies of the extremely cold climate [7].

Ozkan and Good established the positive impact of the building envelope on maintaining thermal resilience in both temperature extremes. They performed a comparative evaluation of different envelope conditions within the same building with defined performance indicators such as energy use intensity, thermal energy demand intensity, and thermal autonomy [8]. Kesik et al. used thermal autonomy, passive habitability metrics, and other critical building parameters to establish a standard framework for building resilience benchmarking using a common set of conventions and protocols [9]. Nik et al. discussed the different resilience definitions, emphasizing the energy systems and the associated framework of the resilient energy systems. The paper highlights that the lack of a standardized framework and ambiguity in resilience definitions exhibit challenges in designing climate-resilient energy systems [10]. Attia et al. examined resilience through varied terminologies such as vulnerability, resistance, robustness, and recovery from a disruptive event. The difference in these terminologies thwarts reaching a consensus over resilience calculation methodology and framework for buildings [11]. Referring to the literature considered, it is clear that an opportunity exists to analyze building resilience in an extremely cold climate, which will enrich the existing research and help in achieving more resilient buildings.

As discussed above, research on resilience has been going on for some time. Along with cold climate resilience research, there have been research studies about resilience targeting overheating in buildings. Wang et al. developed a forecast model for heating and cooling and analyzed the overheating severity and duration in high-thermal-performance buildings across varied climate zones in China [12]. Roostaie and Nawari built a comprehensive building assessment framework, integrating the sustainability framework and resilience indicators. The paper assessed the impact of resilience indicators on building sustainability through a decision-making trial and evaluation laboratory (DEMATEL) approach [13]. Zhang et al. investigated and highlighted the importance of resilience criterion inclusion in the design phase in achieving resilient cooling. The technological performance was analyzed for different cooling technologies for heatwave and power outage situations [14]. Tariq et al. scrutinized the efficacy of natural ventilation to achieve resilience during a heatwave for locations with future warm climate scenarios by maintaining thermal comfort and acceptable indoor air quality [15]. Shady et al. analyzed critical resilience cooling

parameters within the building and suggested performance-driven thermal environmental quality indicators for resilience against power outages and heatwaves [11].

3. Objective and Novelty

As seen in the state of the art, very little research focuses on resilience in cold climates. Even though the population residing in cold climates is small compared to hot or tropical climates, extreme weather in cold regions is equally fatal and needs research and assessment. The logistic disruption in extreme cold exacerbates the situation, apart from infrastructure challenges. This research aims to define resilience and establish survivability conditions for building parameters during power cut-offs in extremely cold climates. The study paper performs a case simulation in an energy-efficient multiapartment building in Southern Finland to present the impact of energy-efficient systems on building resilience. Furthermore, the assessment shows the type and extent of the system required for different resilience durations and the associated investment for retrofitting or installation. The study explores the possibilities of the system's participation in the flexibility market to achieve a return on investment and increase the system's operational time.

4. Methodology

This study first establishes its definition of resilience, habitability, and survivability based on the technical literature in the scientific community. Similarly, this study establishes the minimum threshold boundary condition of relevant parameters based on the academic literature and discussions with experts.

After the parameter setup, the system proceeds to the case study simulation. The case study progresses by developing both configurations of the buildings within IDA-ICE 4.8, a dynamic building simulation software. The building model resembles the real-life multiapartment positive energy building located in Southern Finland [16]. IDA-ICE provides the localization of Finland, which encompasses the standard climate file, wind profiles, and relative humidity. Since the study aims for blackout analysis in extremely cold climates, there was no radiation during the simulation duration, and the outdoor temperature was modified to $-26\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, the design temperature condition of Southern Finland according to the Finnish decree [17]. After establishing the model and the parameters within the software, the study proceeds to simulate the building operations for two weeks and record the temperature within the typical apartments. During the first week, the building maintains the normal temperature, and grid power is available. During the start of the second week, a blackout occurs. The study includes the simulation of two weeks to smooth the simulation process.

The study moves ahead with the processing of simulation results in Microsoft Excel (version 1808) to plot them as graphs. To obtain the energy and power matrix, the system is simulated again to turn on the power supply as soon as the setpoint touches the survivability threshold. The new simulation results are plotted as graphs to provide the energy and power matrix sizing points for different resilience durations. Further on, the assessment explores different energy system components that fulfill the technical requirements to ensure building resilience during the blackout while following the pertinent constraints. The relevant technical specifications of selected components are assumed based on real-life components available on the market. After the selection of technologies and the sizing of the energy system, the study performs an economic assessment of the participating energy systems. The costs of components are comparable to those of real-life components with similar technical specifications, and specific caution is considered for the application of value-added tax.

Toward the end of the study, it explores the participation of the proposed energy system in the flexibility market under two scenarios to check the return on investment of the integrated system. The formulae used and assumptions are discussed in the respective sections. The study performs only theoretical analysis and simulation due to the unavail-

ability of blackout data for the Finnish region. The study finishes with the findings of the assessment and the possible future work.

5. Material and Simulation Setup

5.1. Definitions of Resilience in Building

The state-of-the-art section depicts the variations in building resilience terminologies. A consensus over definitions, parameters, and terminologies can expedite further research on the same. This section presents the different definitions of building resilience and represents the author's definitions.

UN (United Nations) General Assembly resolution 71/276 describes resilience as “the ability of a system, community or society to resist, absorb, accommodate, adapt to, transform and recover from the effects of a hazard in a timely and efficient manner, including through the preservation and restoration of its essential basic structures and functions through risk management” [11]. The resilience definition and the associated characteristics vary with the domain of study performing the investigation.

From an engineering perspective, a resilient building is a building that can withstand a power outage while maintaining safe indoor environmental conditions such as operational temperature and ventilation rate, along with the supply of minimum energy required for a definite time or before being recovered. Table 1 shows the different definitions of building resilience among different engineering disciplines.

Table 1. Different definitions of resilient buildings.

S. No.	Definition	Resilience Characteristics
1	Building resilience is the ability of a building to cope with severe weather disruptions and recover in a timely and efficient manner [18]	Withstand, mitigation, recoverability, rapidity
2	A resilient building is a building that is not only robust but can also fulfill its functional requirements (withstand) during a major disruption. Its performance might even be disrupted, but it must recover to an acceptable level promptly in order to avoid disaster impacts [19]	Withstand, absorption, recoverability, rapidity
3	A resilient built environment is one that is designed, located, built, operated, and maintained in a way that maximizes the ability of built assets, associated support systems, and the people that reside or work within the built asset to withstand, recover from, and mitigate the impacts of threats [14]	Withstand, recoverability, mitigation
4	Resilience is the intrinsic ability of the system to proactively react to the disruption (external or internally generated), adapt, and recover to reach a new state of the system to serve the normal functionalities [20]	Vulnerability, adaptation, recoverability
5	Resilient urban energy systems need to be capable of planning and preparing for, absorbing, recovering from, and adapting to any adverse events that may happen in the future. The complex, dynamic, and adaptive system (for example, cities) would not necessarily return to an equilibrium state [21]	Preparation, absorption, recoverability, adaptation

From a thermally resilient building standpoint, resilience is the ability of a building to adapt thermally and maintain safe thermal conditions indoors during power disruptions. Thermal conditions can be classified as habitable conditions or survivable conditions while assessing the building's resilience. Different terminologies, such as habitability or survivability, define the building's resilience based on the conditions maintained within the building. The next paragraph presents the authors' definitions of habitability and survivability.

“Habitability refers to the time duration for which the building remains habitable in case of energy supply disruption to the building due to seen or unseen circumstances”. Habitability can further be classified as active or passive based on the components used to maintain the indoor conditions. Passive habitability indicates the situation in which the thermal inertia retained via the building envelope maintains the thermal conditions within

the building. In the case of active habitability, an on-site energy system or an external energy source assists in maintaining indoor conditions.

Moreover, “Survivability indicates the ability of a building to maintain thermal conditions along with minimum operational capabilities during a power outage”. Habitability ascribes to thermal resilience, while survivability employs thermal resilience along with minimum operational capabilities such as lighting, appliances, sewage, and domestic hot water. Apart from minimum operational capabilities, survivability encompasses a broader temperature range compared to the comfortable range.

5.2. Boundary Conditions

This section explores the parameters used in building resilience and establishes a recommended range to maintain survivability conditions within the building based on the different literature.

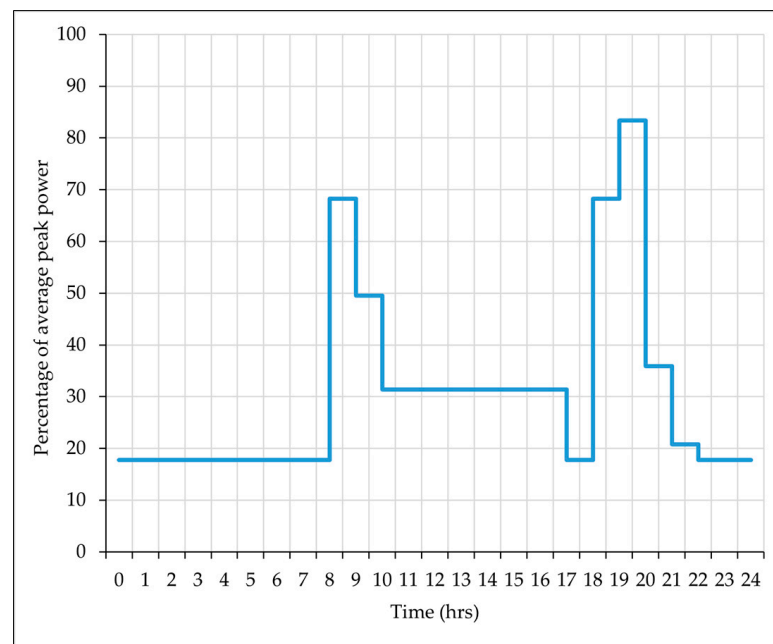
According to the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), the acceptable temperature range for naturally ventilated buildings ranges from 10 to 34 °C. The ASHRAE-55 model confers a prevalent mean outdoor temperature range of 10 °C to 33 °C for passive survivability. Additionally, the ASHRAE Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy standard 55-2004 [22] defines a comfort temperature range of 19–26 °C for winters at a maximum humidity ratio of 0.12 Kg_{water}/kg_{dryair} [4]. The guide for resilient thermal energy systems design in cold and arctic climates prescribes a minimum temperature of 16 °C indoors during emergency situations such as blackouts for human comfort and maintaining dexterity in critical operations [23]. Homaei and Hamdy define the lower threshold of the habitability range in the Norwegian environment as 15 °C in their work on the quantification of energy flexibility and survivability with batteries. The habitability defined in their work is analogous to survivability in this study [5]. Similarly, Kesik et al. define the lower temperature threshold for passive habitability as 15 °C in mechanically cooled buildings. Their habitability temperature corresponds to the survivability temperature threshold of this study [9]. Compiling all the work, the advocated lower temperature threshold is 15 °C. This study only defines the lower temperature threshold because the study focuses on resilience in a cold climate.

High relative humidity also impacts human health with extended exposure, but this study considers a short-duration exposure in exceptional circumstances (one-week blackout). Thus, this study employs standard relative humidity values, which are shown in Table 2. The Federation for European Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Associations prescribes 1000–2000 ppm CO₂ concentration in an indoor environment and suggests intervention if concentration goes out of this range [24]. Contrary to this, the Finnish decree advocates an upper threshold limit in the range of 1500–1600 ppm in an indoor environment [25]. Incorporating recommendations, the study considers the upper threshold limit of CO₂ as 1500 ppm and the lower ventilation setpoint as 1.26 m³/h/m². Air change within the building maintains the CO₂ concentration and is depicted by the ventilation setpoint.

The expected operational household equipment during the blackout includes a fridge, freezer, microwave oven, communication devices (laptop, Wi-Fi, and mobile charger), and minimum lighting. There was no usage of dishwashers, saunas, laundry, or showers during the blackout. Figure 1 shows the typical occupants’ household behavior in the Finnish region in terms of the proportion of average peak power used per hour of the day. The profile incorporates the usage of the above-mentioned necessities only and is modified based on online tools and the available literature [26,27]. Survivability conditions for a short duration require a minimum of 5 to 7 L of hot water per day, according to the Safe Drinking Water Foundation [28]. The study assumes an even distribution of hot water over 24 h to simplify the simulation. Table 2 represents the building’s indoor parameters for survivability and normal conditions.

Table 2. Building indoor parameters (setpoints) for survivability and normal conditions.

Parameters	Survivability Condition	Normal Condition	Units
Lower temperature threshold	15	21	°C
CO ₂ upper threshold concentration	1500	800	ppm
Ventilation lower threshold	1.26	1.8	m ³ /h
Outside temperature	−26	−26	°C
Domestic hot water consumption	7	48	liters/person/day
Domestic hot water idling load	1.2	1.2	W/m ² [29]
Relative humidity	NA, restricted by microbial growth	20–80	%
Occupancy presence	100	60	%/24 h

**Figure 1.** Assumed power consumption profile for residents during the blackout.

Based on assumed occupants' behavior and power consumption during a blackout, a typical apartment consumes an average power of 113 W and 341 W of peak power. The typical energy consumption per day, excluding space heating and domestic hot water energy, is 2.7 kWh. Table 3 shows the space heating and domestic hot water temperatures for the blackout duration, which follow the Finnish standards for net-zero energy buildings.

Table 3. Temperature maintained for heating and hot water within the building [29].

S. No.	System	Temperature Range
1	Space heating	20–35 °C
2	Domestic hot water	58 °C

This study scrutinizes an urban building block located in the Kalasatama urban area, Helsinki, in Southern Finland, containing residential apartments and commercial spaces. It comprises two towers with 5 floors and 13 floors, respectively, with an aggregated area of 7391.5 m² and an effective apartment area of 5863.84 m². Figure 2 shows the 3D (3-dimensional) diagram of the reference building in IDA-ICE simulation software, Version: 4.8.

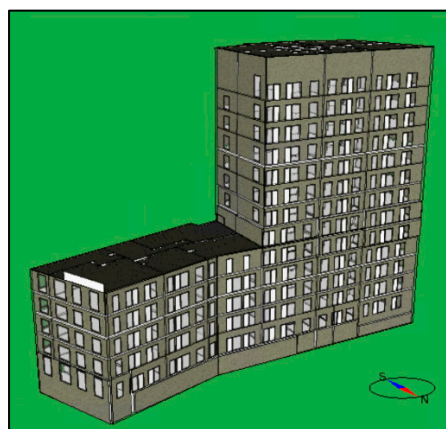


Figure 2. A 3D model of the building in IDA-ICE software [29].

The study performs a resilience simulation for two sets of energy efficiency parameters for buildings. The two sets are named baseline configuration and efficient configuration. The baseline configuration building derives its U-values and glazing values for the building envelope from the Finnish building code. Similarly, the efficient configuration building acquires these values from the Flexible user-centric energy-positive houses (EXCESS) project under EU Horizon 2020. The district heating system ratifies the heating and domestic hot water requirements for the baseline building configuration. However, a heat pump suffices all the heating energy requirements in an efficient configuration building. Table 4 illustrates the parameter values for both configuration buildings.

Table 4. Building parameters for simulation scenarios [29,30].

Building Parameters	Baseline Configuration	Efficient Configuration
External walls (W/m ² k)	0.17	0.15
Internal walls (W/m ² k)	4.02	4.02
Internal floors (W/m ² k)	2.37	2.37
Roof (W/m ² k)	0.09	0.09
Slab toward ground (W/m ² k)	0.18	0.16
Glazing (W/m ² k)	0.70	0.60
Heating type	District	Electric
Heating Coefficient of Performance (COP)	0.97	4.60
Domestic hot water type	District	Electric
Domestic hot water COP	0.97	2.50
Ventilation control	Constant air volume	Constant air volume
VHR efficiency [%]	60	75

The default configuration of IDA-ICE employs ideal heaters and coolers for heating and cooling and operates on a proportional–integral (PI) controller. These controllers cannot record the data for the individual zones. Thus, both buildings employ a custom macro-controller that can document individual zone temperatures. The macro-controller operates on PI logic and maintains the normal condition and survivability condition setpoints accordingly. After setting up the building parameters, survivability parameters, and macro-controller, the system simulates for two weeks in both building configurations and records the temperature profiles for all typical apartments. Both buildings withstand the blackout in the same conditions, except for their building envelope and heating system.

5.3. Energy and Power Required

The indoor temperature can drop below the threshold value during the blackout if no external power is supplied. Thus, to calculate the required power to maintain survivability temperature thresholds, the system is modified to turn on the power supply within the building as soon as the indoor temperature touches the survivability threshold.

The hourly time-series data provide the power required at each hour to maintain the survivability conditions. The product of the power supplied and the duration for which the power is supplied calculates the energy required for the specific duration. In this way, the assessment provides the power and energy matrix, which specifies the power and energy required for each resilience duration.

5.4. Energy System for Building Resilience

The scenario under consideration includes a blackout; hence, no power is available from the grid. Thus, external energy systems need to support the energy supply post thermal inertia depletion of the building. Multiple energy systems possess the potential to fulfill the energy requirements but are thwarted by practical constraints such as availability at the site, space availability for installation, technological maturity, and local policies. Therefore, diesel generators, oil boilers, and lithium-ion batteries turn out to be the most feasible solutions considering different constraints, such as technical, economical, geographical, and local constraints.

Diesel generators produce one-phase or three-phase electrical energy, depending on the type of generator. The reference building employs a three-phase diesel generator and lithium-ion batteries coupled with the inverter to supply electrical energy while the oil boiler and heat pump deliver the heating, depending on the building configuration. The technical specifications of the considered components reflect the technical specifications of real-life components that can be used in the building.

As shown in Table 4, both configuration buildings require electricity as an input for necessities other than space heating and domestic hot water. The baseline configuration building fulfills the heat energy requirement through district heating, while the efficient configuration building generates the heat energy through the heat pump. Since the baseline configuration building connects to the district heating system, it needs heat as an energy input for space heating and domestic hot water. The efficient configuration building requires electricity as an energy input, even for space heating and domestic hot water, due to the connection with the heat pump.

Since the baseline configuration building requires heating and electrical energy separately as input, the sizing requires two types of duration curves. On the contrary, only electrical energy duration curves show the energy required within the efficient configuration building. The delivered power simulation results plot the duration curve after sorting. The baseline configuration plots the electrical and heating energy duration curves separately, while the efficient configuration building only plots the electrical duration curve.

5.5. Energy Systems Cost

The energy system tries to simulate real-life work. Thus, the cost of system components also matches real-life values. The cost includes all product costs, shipment costs, and installation costs, with special consideration of appropriate value-added tax (VAT) applicability. Relevant assumptions are made for installation costs in cases of data unavailability as per reference product installation instructions. Appendix A shows the reference costs of the products. The prices of diesel fuel and heating oils are dynamic; thus, the final price in the study is the average market price from 18 July to 24 October 2022. Table 5 depicts the additional costs and fuel costs associated with the energy system integration.

Table 5. Additional costs and fuel costs associated with the integration of energy systems.

Parameter	Value	Unit
VAT	24	%
Average monthly salary—skilled labor	3311	EUR/month [31]
Diesel cost	2.14	EUR/L [32]
Heating oil cost	0.096528	EUR/L [33]
Heating installation cost	10% of equipment	[34]
Occupancy (area of component/total area)	70	%
Other electronics cost	0.05	EUR/W
Battery system operation and maintenance cost	5	EUR/W _p /a

5.6. Energy Flexibility

The integration of the energy system is a precautionary measure to withstand unplanned power outages. Since the integrated system includes different components, with strategic implementation, some components can operate during normal duration without impacting the building's resilience potential. The expanded operation opens the possibility of increased operational time for the system and helps in achieving a return on investment.

The increased renewable energy penetration in electricity and energy-intensive equipment usage has increased power quality disruptions in the form of harmonics, voltage, and frequency disruptions [35]. A new market emerged due to these disruptions, ensuring the grid's operation according to the National Code. Energy reserves with rapid power delivery capabilities can participate in this market and earn revenue for their service. These energy markets are called ancillary services markets or flexibility markets. The different types of ancillary markets include frequency containment reserve (FCR), frequency restoration reserve (FRR), and fast frequency reserve (FFR), depending upon the activation time from the start of disruption. These energy markets operate in the form of a yearly market or hourly market, based on which participation requirements change. Each market requires a minimum size of bid to participate [36]. The systems with less power reserve availability can participate through an aggregator who charges a fee in exchange for its service. The aggregator combines the smaller power reserves and regulates them according to the TSO's requirements.

Due to the smaller size of building power reserves, the study considers participation in the hourly market. This study performs a perfunctory calculation to assess the impact of the participation of energy systems in the flexibility market on achieving a return on investment. Appendix B describes the assumptions for participation in the flexibility market in both scenarios. It describes the system characteristics participating in the flexibility market for both building configurations. The first scenario considers daily participation with full reserve activation, while the second scenario considers daily participation with no reserve activation. Economic calculations assess the system's feasibility to participate in the flexibility market and achieve a return on investment using the system's characteristics. The revenue calculation employs the capacity fee calculation formula prescribed by FINGRID for participation in the respective flexibility markets, which are shown in Equations (1) and (2) [37]. The return-on-investment time calculation and net yearly revenue calculations employ Equations (3) and (4).

$$\text{Capacity fee (€)} = \text{maintained reserve capacity (MW,h)} \times \text{hourly market price (€/MW,h)} - \text{sanctions (€)} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{Sanctions (€)} = \text{reserve capacity not delivered (MW,h)} \times 3 \times \text{hourly market price for specific hour (€/MW,h)} \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Return on investment (years)} = \text{system cost/net yearly revenue} \quad (3)$$

$$\text{Net yearly revenue (€)} = \text{yearly revenue (€)} - \text{yearly recharging cost (€)} \quad (4)$$

6. Simulation Results and Discussion

The simulation duration is two weeks, during which the building operates at normal conditions for the first week. The blackout occurs at the start of the second week, and the building tries to maintain the survivability conditions indoors. This section discusses the results of the building simulations performed in IDA-ICE with the above-mentioned boundary conditions.

6.1. Temperature Decay Profile

The custom macro-controller records the temperature profile in all typical apartments for both building configurations. The temperature decay profiles are represented in Figures 3 and 4 for efficient and baseline building configurations, respectively. The building operates at normal conditions during the first week, and then the blackout occurs at the 168th hour. The indoor temperature within both buildings starts to drop and follows the curve as shown in the figures. The multiple lines imply the variation in temperature drop rate in different apartments due to the number of parameters such as the size of the apartment, location within the building, and so on. The apartments' names follow the building drawing convention for both configuration buildings [38].

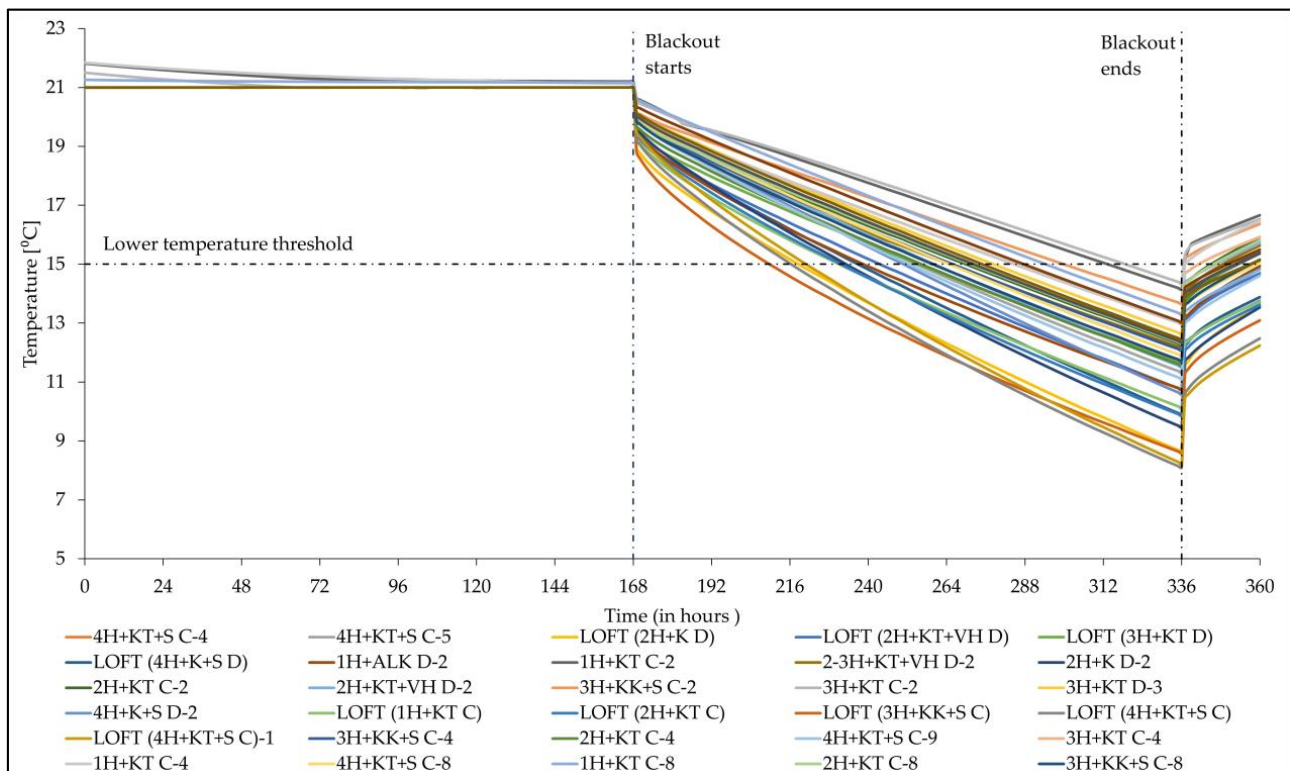


Figure 3. Temperature decay profiles of all typical zones in the efficient configuration building.

Table 6 presents the maximum, minimum, and average time taken by the apartments to drop the indoor temperature to the survivability condition threshold. From Figures 3 and 4, and Table 6, it is clear that the typical apartments with an efficient configuration building take more time to drop the indoor temperature to the lower temperature threshold value of the survivability parameters. The analysis shows that on an average basis, a typical apartment with the efficient configuration takes 15% more time than the baseline configuration building apartment to drop the indoor temperature to the lower temperature threshold.

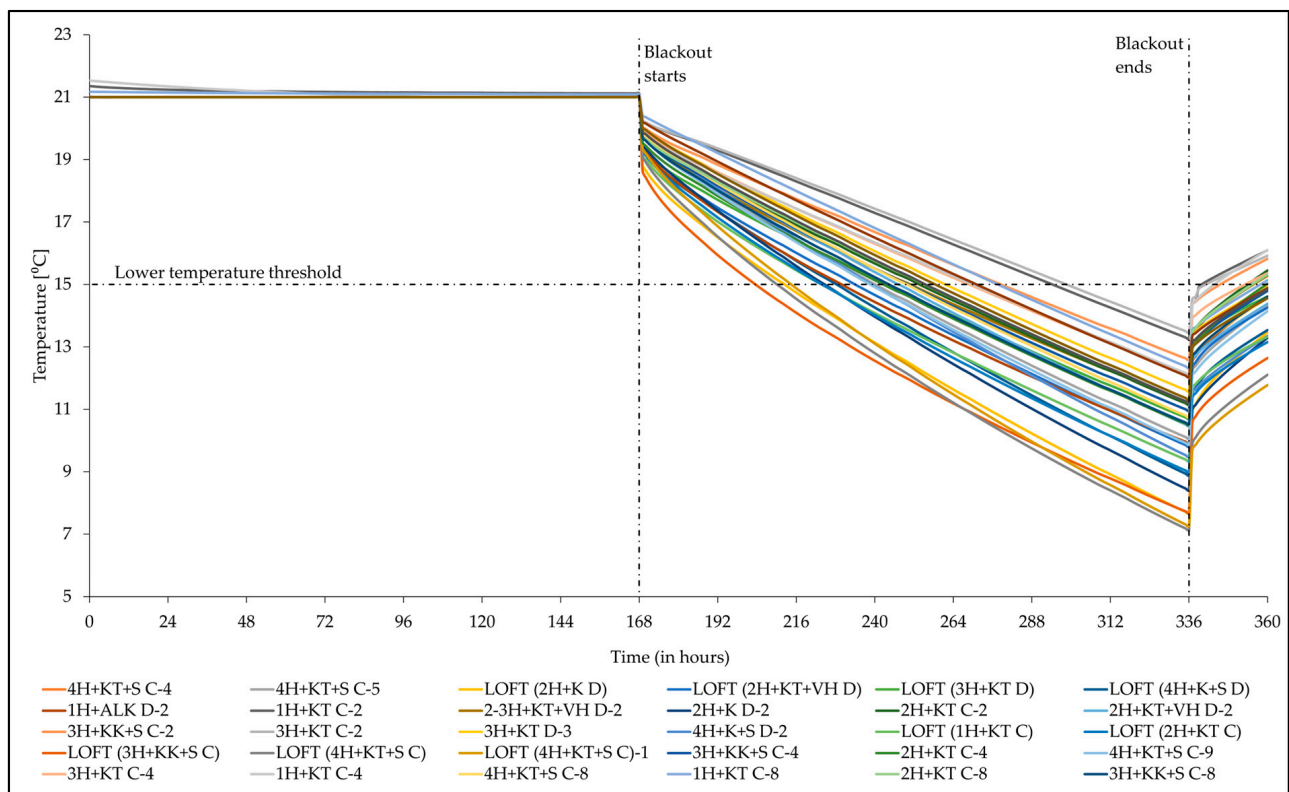


Figure 4. Temperature decay profiles of all typical zones in the baseline configuration building.

Table 6. Maximum, minimum, and average time taken by the typical zones to drop the zone temperature to 15 °C.

Time Taken in Hours to Drop the Temperature to 15 °C	Baseline Configuration Building (in Hours)	Efficient Configuration Building (in Hours)
Minimum time	36	42
Maximum time	131	151
Average time	79	93

Figure 5 represents the temperature profile of apartments, which takes the maximum, minimum, and closest to the average time to drop the indoor temperature to 15 °C. The efficient configuration building apartments take more decay time. The blackout occurs at the same temperature in both configuration buildings while maintaining the same survivability conditions. The only difference among buildings lies in the building envelope parameters and energy system for heating. Since no heat supply occurs during the blackout, it is clear that the improved building envelope parameters, higher thermal inertia retention, and lower thermal loss rate enhance the decay time in efficient configuration building apartments.

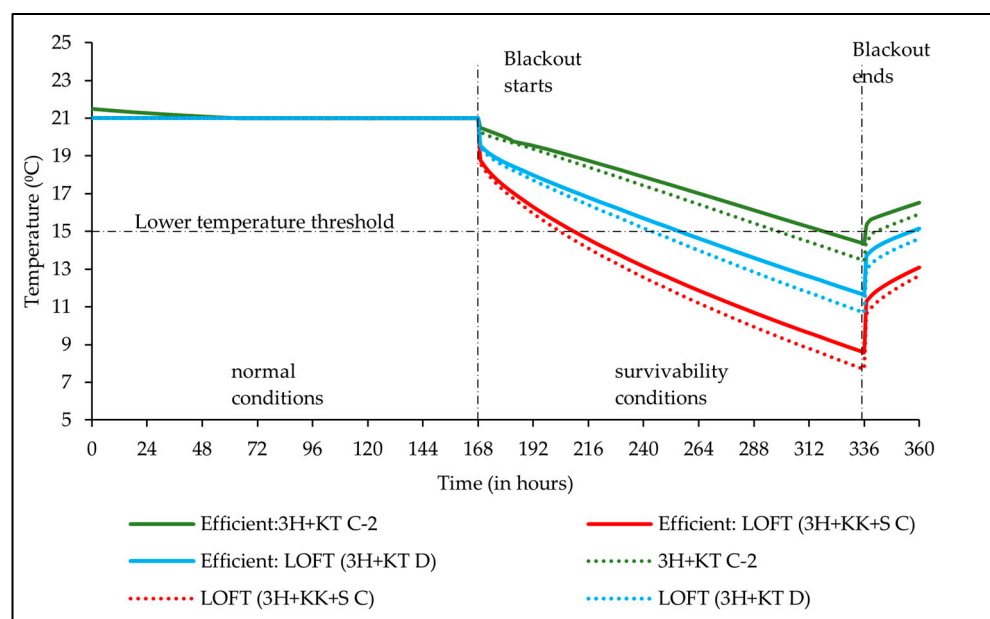


Figure 5. Temperature decay profile for apartments with maximum, minimum, and closest to the average time in both configuration buildings (dotted lines represent baseline configuration building zones).

6.2. Delivered Power

As evident from Figure 5, the temperature within the building keeps dropping below the survivability threshold if no power is supplied during the blackout. Hence, the system is simulated with the macro-controller to turn on the power supply as soon as the setpoints touch the survivability threshold. The simulated results provide the temperature and power required to maintain the survivability parameters within the building. Additionally, IDA-ICE can classify the total power consumption among different components.

As discussed previously, both buildings differ in the building envelope and the heating system used. Thus, space heating–electric and domestic hot water–electric represent typical electrical energy consumption in maintaining thermal setpoints of space heating and domestic hot water production in an efficient configuration building. Similarly, space heating–thermal and domestic hot water–thermal illustrate heat energy input for the baseline configuration building. HVAC implies the ventilation system power that maintains the CO₂ concentration and moisture level within the building. Equipment resident and lighting resident refer to the electrical energy consumption for household amenities and light bulbs, respectively. Figure 6 shows the power consumption among different components during the simulation period in both configuration buildings.

Both configuration buildings have almost equal power requirements for equipment resident and lighting resident because of the same occupant behavior and the same household appliance usage. The slight difference observed in equipment energy consumption is due to the variation in internal gains due to the different thermal envelopes and thermal loss rates. HVAC electricity consumption in an efficient configuration building is less due to the lower ventilation setpoints. The efficient configuration building's peak power consumption in space heating and domestic hot water is much less compared to the baseline configuration building. This is due to the highly efficient heat pump, better thermal envelope, and low thermal losses. The heat pump operates at a COP ranging from 3 to 5 against the standard district heating COP of 0.98 as per the Finnish localization of IDA-ICE.

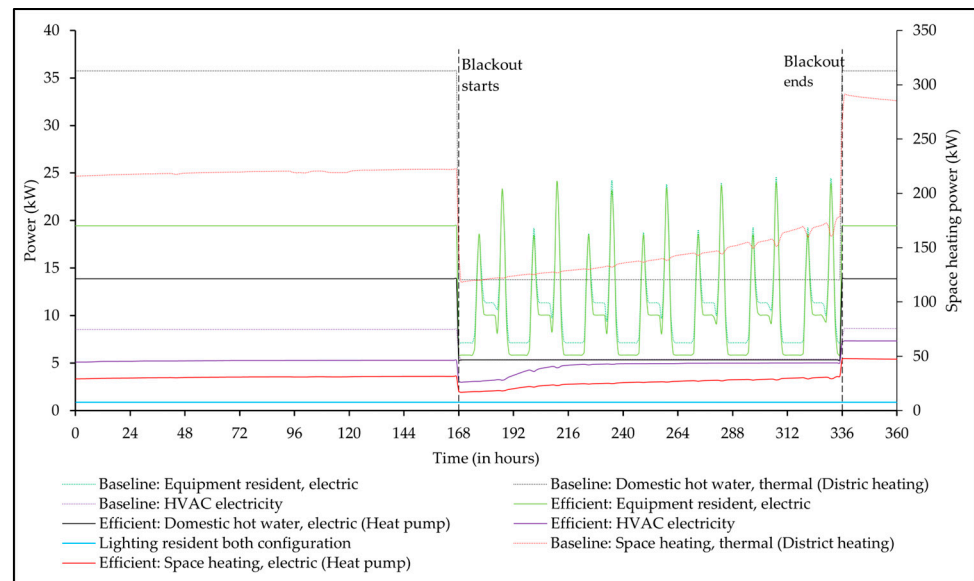


Figure 6. Power delivered during the simulation period in both configuration buildings (dotted lines represent the baseline configuration building).

The combined effect of the improved building envelope and highly efficient heat pump leads to 3 to 5.3 times less peak power requirement in the efficient configuration building compared to the baseline configuration building, which is shown in Figure 7. On an average consumption basis, the baseline configuration building consumes 3.9 times more power. This indicates that more energy-efficient heating systems, along with improved building parameters, help achieve building resilience.

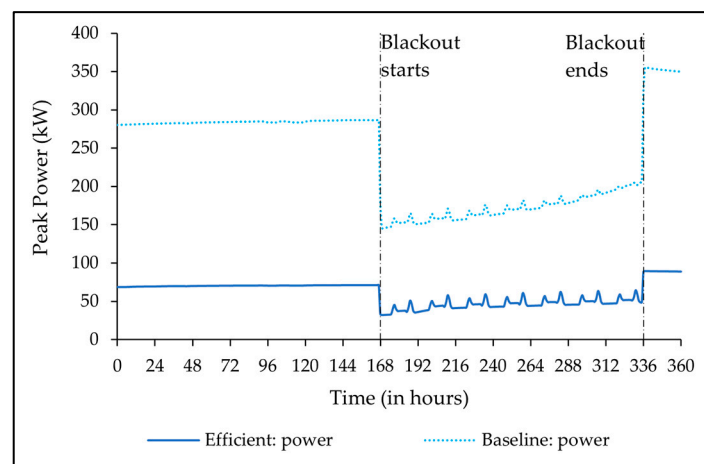


Figure 7. Power required to maintain survivability parameters within both configuration buildings (the dotted line represents the baseline configuration building).

6.3. Power and Energy Matrix for Building Resilience

The section explores the peak power and total energy required to maintain the survivability conditions for different resilience durations within both configuration buildings based on the simulation results from the delivered power section. Figure 8 depicts the peak power and peak power per m^2 needed in both configuration buildings to maintain the survivability conditions for resilience duration varying from 1 to 7 days.

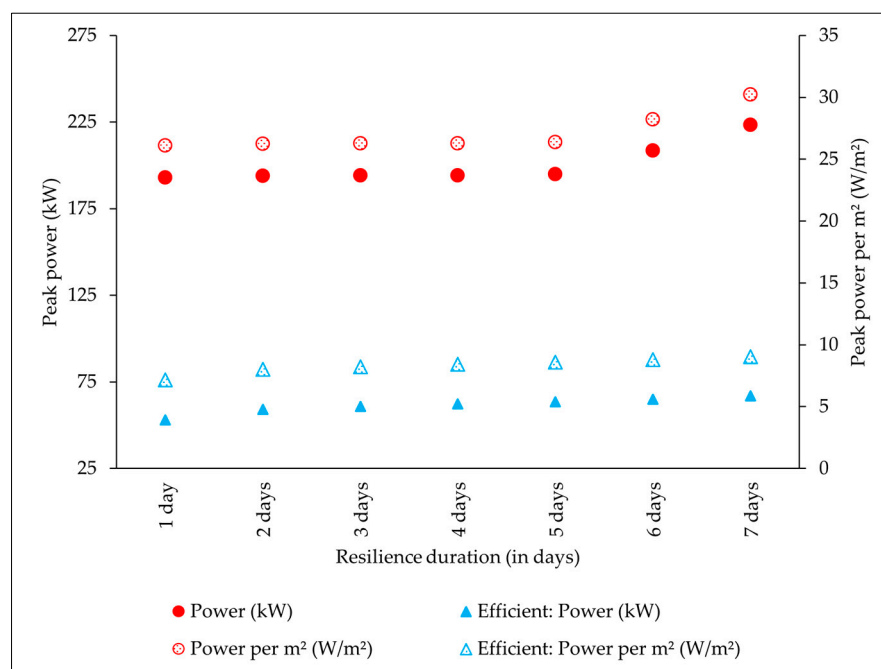


Figure 8. Peak power and power per m² needed in both configuration buildings for different resilience durations (circle represents the baseline configuration building).

The peak power required in both configuration buildings increases with the resilience duration. The rate of increment is higher in baseline configuration building because of the less efficient heating systems, reduced thermal inertia retention, and higher thermal losses from the building envelope. From Figure 8, it is clear that the baseline configuration building dissipates 3.1 to 3.6 times more peak power than the efficient configuration building. The peak power per m² follows the same trend as peak power, as both buildings occupy the same area. The use of a less efficient heating system and a less thermal-resistant building envelope causes increased power consumption within the baseline configuration building.

Therefore, an efficient heating system and an improved building envelope, which help in higher thermal inertia retention and fewer thermal losses, enhance the building's resilience prospects.

Table 7 depicts the peak power requirement among different components for both configuration buildings. Analyzing Table 7 shows that within the baseline configuration building, space heating consumes the maximum power amount followed by equipment resident and domestic hot water for all resilience durations. Less efficient heating systems, higher thermal losses, and lower thermal inertia retention cause the maximum power requirement in space heating, hence this power consumption trend.

Considering the efficient configuration building's power consumption trend, the order for the first two days is equipment resident, followed by space heating and domestic hot water. From the third day, the power dissipation order among components is the same as in the baseline configuration building. In an efficient configuration building, the power consumption trend among components during the initial days varies due to higher thermal inertia retention for the increased duration due to the efficient building envelope. Table 8 shows the peak power per m² among different components in both configuration buildings, and the consumption trend is the same as observed in peak power for the respective buildings.

Table 7. Resilience matrix for peak power required by different components in the apartment to maintain survivability conditions in both building configurations.

Resilience Duration	Peak Power in the Efficient Configuration Building					Peak Power in the Baseline Configuration Building					
	Efficient: Equipment Resident, Electric	Efficient: Domestic Hot Water, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: HVAC Electricity	Efficient: Space Heating, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: Lighting Resident	Baseline: Equipment Resident	Baseline: Domestic Hot Water, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: HVAC Electricity	Baseline: Space Heating, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: Lighting Resident	
	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	
1 day	23.21	5.35	3.62	19.93	0.86	23.07	13.78	5.36	149.98	0.86	
2 days	24.01	5.35	4.76	24.26	0.86	24.00	13.78	5.38	149.98	0.86	
3 days	24.01	5.35	4.93	25.68	0.86	24.14	13.78	5.39	149.98	0.86	
4 days	24.01	5.35	4.95	27.04	0.86	24.14	13.78	5.40	149.98	0.86	
5 days	24.01	5.35	4.99	28.43	0.86	24.14	13.78	5.41	150.81	0.86	
6 days	24.01	5.35	5.00	29.77	0.86	24.46	13.78	5.41	164.12	0.86	
7 days	24.01	5.35	5.02	31.64	0.86	24.46	13.78	5.42	178.82	0.86	

Table 8. Resilience matrix for peak power per m² required by different components in the apartment to maintain survivability conditions in both configuration buildings.

Resilience Duration	Peak Power per m ² in Efficient Configuration Building					Peak Power per m ² in Baseline Configuration Building					
	Efficient: Equipment Resident, Electric	Efficient: Domestic Hot Water, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: HVAC Electricity	Efficient: Space Heating, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: Lighting Resident	Baseline: Equipment Resident	Baseline: Domestic Hot Water, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: HVAC Electricity	Baseline: Space Heating, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: Lighting Resident	
	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	W/m ²	
1 day	3.14	0.72	0.49	2.70	0.12	3.12	1.86	0.73	20.29	0.12	
2 days	3.25	0.72	0.64	3.28	0.12	3.25	1.86	0.73	20.29	0.12	
3 days	3.25	0.72	0.67	3.47	0.12	3.27	1.86	0.73	20.29	0.12	
4 days	3.25	0.72	0.67	3.66	0.12	3.27	1.86	0.73	20.29	0.12	
5 days	3.25	0.72	0.68	3.85	0.12	3.27	1.86	0.73	20.40	0.12	
6 days	3.25	0.72	0.68	4.03	0.12	3.31	1.86	0.73	22.20	0.12	
7 days	3.25	0.72	0.68	4.28	0.12	3.31	1.86	0.73	24.19	0.12	

Figure 9 shows the total energy and energy per m^2 required in both configuration buildings for different resilience durations. Similar to the peak power, total energy and energy per m^2 needed in both configurations increase with enlarged resilience duration. The rate of increment in the baseline configuration is much higher than in the efficient configuration building. Through analysis of Figure 9, it is evident that the baseline configuration building consumes 3.7 to 4.1 times more energy than the baseline configuration building. The energy consumption ratio and rate of energy consumption increase with resilience duration more in the baseline configuration building because of the less efficient heating system and higher thermal losses. The less efficient heating system and high thermal losses mandate the steady usage of higher average power for a longer duration, which causes this energy requirement trend. Tables 9 and 10 depict the classification of total energy and energy per m^2 consumed by different components in both configuration buildings, respectively.

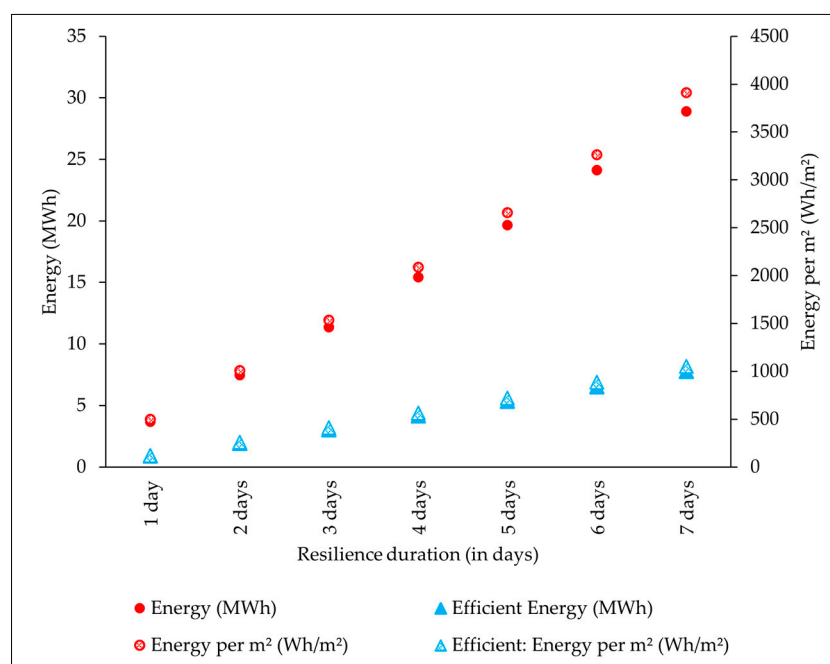


Figure 9. Total energy and energy per m^2 needed in both building configurations for different resilience durations (circle represents the baseline building configuration).

On analyzing Tables 7–10 together, it is clear that the same components occupy the maximum proportion of total energy consumption as in peak power consumption for the baseline configuration building. The order of energy consumption in an efficient configuration building is space heating, followed by equipment resident and domestic hot water. It is clear from Figure 6 that the equipment resident consumes more peak power than space heating for the first two days, but the duration of peak power is relatively small during the entire day. The total energy is the average power consumed throughout the resilience duration. Thus, on an average power basis, space heating consumes more energy throughout the day, which leads to the above-discussed trend of energy consumption within an efficient configuration building.

Table 9. Resilience matrix for total energy required by different components in the apartment to maintain survivability conditions in both configuration buildings.

Resilience Duration	Energy in the Efficient Configuration Building					Energy in the Baseline Configuration Building				
	Efficient: Equipment Resident, Electric	Efficient: Domestic Hot Water, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: HVAC Electricity	Efficient: Space Heating, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: Lighting Resident	Baseline: Equipment Resident	Baseline: Domestic Hot Water, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: HVAC Electricity	Baseline: Space Heating, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: Lighting Resident
	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh	MWh
1 day	0.24	0.13	0.08	0.43	0.02	0.27	0.33	0.13	2.93	0.02
2 days	0.48	0.26	0.18	0.97	0.04	0.53	0.66	0.26	5.96	0.04
3 days	0.72	0.39	0.30	1.57	0.06	0.80	0.99	0.39	9.11	0.06
4 days	0.95	0.51	0.42	2.20	0.08	1.07	1.32	0.52	12.43	0.08
5 days	1.19	0.64	0.54	2.87	0.10	1.33	1.65	0.65	15.92	0.10
6 days	1.43	0.77	0.66	3.56	0.12	1.60	1.98	0.78	19.64	0.12
7 days	1.67	0.90	0.78	4.28	0.14	1.87	2.32	0.91	23.67	0.14

Table 10. Resilience matrix for total energy per m² needed by different components in the apartment to maintain survivability conditions in both building configurations.

Resilience Duration	Energy per m ² in the Efficient Configuration Building					Energy per m ² in the Baseline Configuration Building				
	Efficient: Equipment Resident, Electric	Efficient: Domestic Hot Water, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: HVAC Electricity	Efficient: Space Heating, Electric (Heat Pump)	Efficient: Lighting Resident	Baseline: Equipment Resident	Baseline: Domestic Hot Water, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: HVAC Electricity	Baseline: Space Heating, Thermal (District Heating)	Baseline: Lighting Resident
	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²	Wh/m ²
1 day	32.27	17.36	10.31	58.54	2.78	36.13	44.75	17.48	396.48	2.78
2 days	64.67	34.73	24.39	131.80	5.55	72.30	89.50	34.92	806.26	5.55
3 days	96.85	52.09	40.17	212.59	8.33	108.36	134.25	52.39	1232.61	8.33
4 days	129.01	69.45	56.22	297.98	11.10	144.34	179.00	69.91	1681.51	11.10
5 days	161.37	86.81	72.40	387.63	13.88	180.49	223.75	87.46	2153.45	13.88
6 days	193.82	104.18	88.62	480.98	16.66	216.77	268.50	105.03	2656.55	16.66
7 days	226.24	121.54	104.89	579.21	19.43	252.93	313.25	122.61	3202.45	19.43

6.4. Energy System Sizing for Building Resilience

The Energy System for Building Resilience section discussed the different energy systems that possess the capability to fulfill the energy requirement following the different constraints. This section deals with the sizing of those components to ensure building resilience for different resilience durations.

As mentioned before, efficient configuration building plots the electrical energy duration curve, which is shown in Figure 10. The duration curve in Figure 10 shows that 75% of the total time requires less than 40 kW of peak power for 1-day resilience. Similarly, for 2- and 3-day resilience, 84% and 70% of total time require less than 45 kW of peak power; 80% of total time requires less than 50 kW of peak power for a resilience duration of 4 to 7 days.

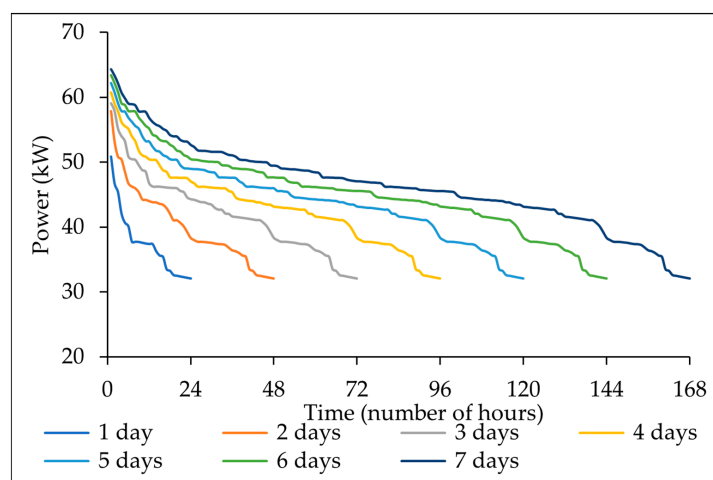


Figure 10. Electrical power duration curves for an efficient building configuration.

Figure 11 shows the electrical power consumption within the efficient configuration building. It also describes the average power consumption for each resilience duration. Along with these, it also depicts the duration for which the power requirement is fulfilled if different generators (with technical specifications similar to real life) provide power supply for the mentioned resilience duration.

Peak power consumption occurs for a very short duration, and average power is more than instantaneous power for the majority of the time, as shown in Figure 11. Therefore, the generator fulfills the energy supply until the above-mentioned power consumption point to avoid excess oversizing of the generator. The battery assists in fulfilling the remaining energy peak.

Similarly, Figure 12 shows the electrical and thermal power duration curves for each resilience duration for the baseline configuration building. Figure 13 represents the instantaneous heating and electrical power curve for the baseline configuration building. The electrical power duration curves have steep peak power for a short duration, as shown in Figure 13. Thus, the electrical power is divided among batteries and generators in such a way that the generator compensates for more than the average power and the battery assists with the remaining peak power. The heating power is separately provided using the boilers.

The combined analysis of Figures 10–13 gives the sizing points for power distribution among electrical (generator and battery) and heating. Table 11 represents the discussed total power distribution among heating and electrical components for both configuration buildings.

The technical specifications, such as the rated power of selected generators, are closest to the average required power and resemble the power rating of real-life equipment. The battery and power conversion device's technical specifications also resemble those of a real-life product with the potential to fulfill energy requirements. Major technical specifications for generators and batteries are shown in Appendix A.

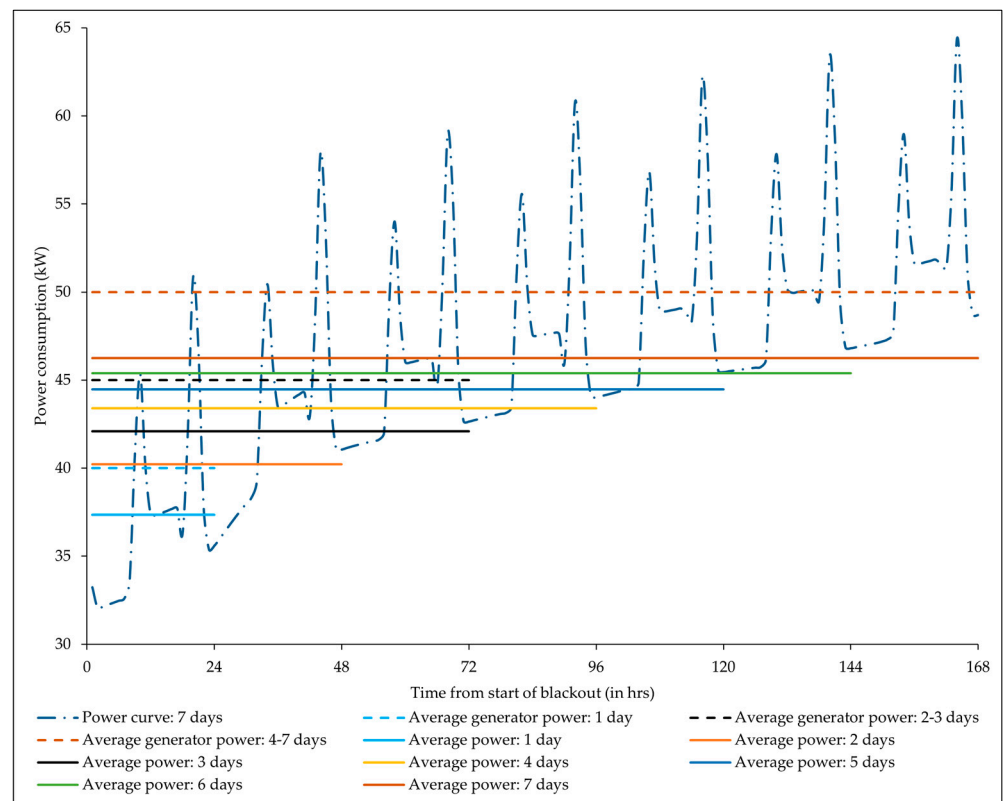


Figure 11. Peak power, average power needed, and average generator power for different resilience durations of an efficient configuration building.

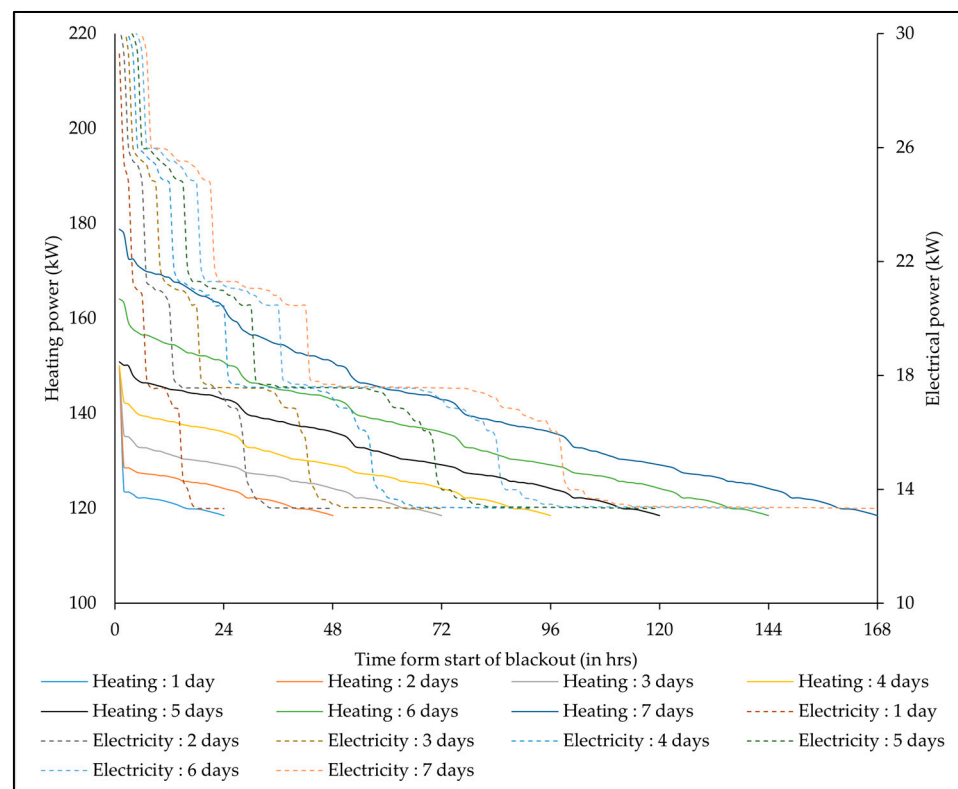


Figure 12. Electrical and heating power duration curves for the baseline configuration building (electrical power is represented by dotted lines).

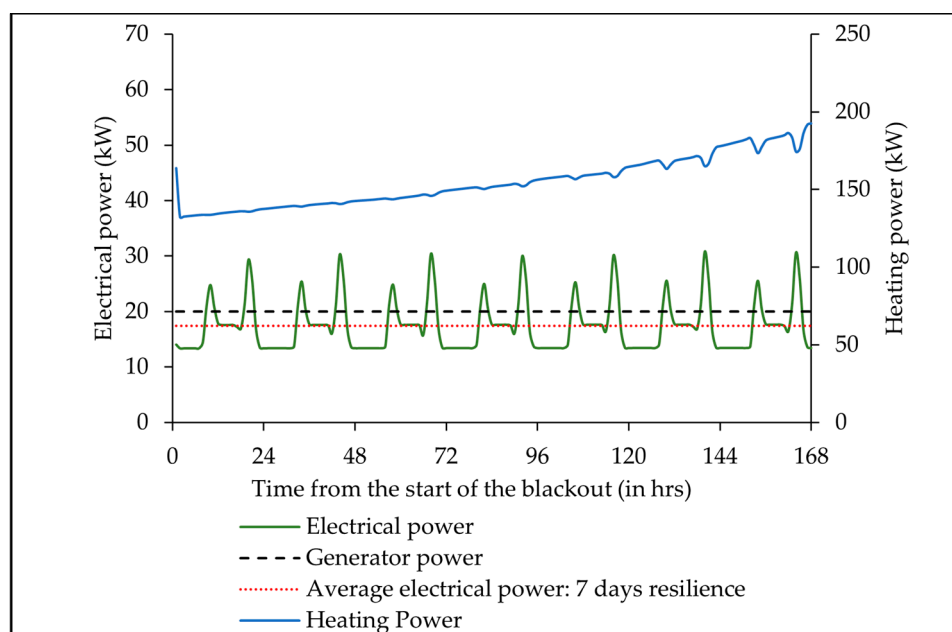


Figure 13. Peak power, average power needed, and average generator power for different resilience durations in the baseline configuration building.

Table 11. Peak power distribution among heating and electrical components for both building configurations.

Resilience Duration	Efficient Configuration Building				Baseline Configuration Building			
	Total Power	Generator-Rated Power	Generator Power	Battery Power	Total Power	Heating Power Required	Electrical Power Required Generator	Electrical Power Required Battery
	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW	kW
1 day	53	64	40	13	167	137	20	10
2 days	59	64	45	14	173	143	20	10
3 days	60	64	45	16	180	149	20	11
4 days	62	80	50	12	187	156	20	11
5 days	63	80	50	14	195	165	20	10
6 days	65	80	50	15	209	178	20	11
7 days	67	80	50	17	223	193	20	10

The system assesses the combination of energy system components that can ensure building resilience for different durations for both configuration buildings. The assessment of energy systems assesses the different scenarios of system components for both configuration buildings. The baseline configuration includes a system containing all boilers, generators, and batteries, a system containing only boilers and generators, and a system containing only boilers and batteries. Similarly, the efficient configuration building assessment includes scenarios combining both generators and batteries, only generators, and only batteries. The scenarios in both configuration buildings give the range of components needed for any resilience duration in each configuration building, for any resilience duration of up to 7 days. The assessment ensures that the combination of components in each system fulfills the power and energy requirements for each duration while following the electrical technical constraint.

Table 12 shows the different combinations of components of energy systems in an efficient configuration and baseline configuration building, respectively, that fulfill the energy requirements during the power outage.

Table 12. Number of components needed in both building configurations for different combinations of the energy system.

Resilience Duration	Efficient Configuration Building								Baseline Configuration Building											
	System Contains Both Generators and Batteries				If Only Generator Is Used for Resilience, No Battery		If Only Battery Is Used for Resilience, No Generator		System Contains All Boilers, Generators, and Batteries					If Only Boilers and Generators Are Used, No Battery			If Only Boilers and Batteries Are Used, No Generator			
	Number of Generators	Generator-Prime-Rated Power (kW)	Number of Battery Modules	Number of Inverters	Number of Generators	Generator-Prime-Rated Power (kW)	Number of Battery Modules	Number of Inverters	Number of Generators	Generator-Prime-Rated Power (kW)	Number of Boilers	Number of Batteries	Number of Inverters	Number of Generators	Generator-Prime-Rated Power (kW)	Number of Boilers	Number of Battery Modules	Number of Inverters	Number of Boilers	
1 day	2	64	3	2	2	80	32	8	2	24	3	3	2	2	48	3	15	8	3	
2 days	2	64	5	3	2	80	69	18	2	24	3	6	3	2	48	3	30	15	3	
3 days	2	64	13	7	2	80	108	27	2	24	3	8	4	2	48	3	45	23	3	
4 days	2	80	7	4	2	80	148	37	2	24	3	11	6	2	48	3	60	30	3	
5 days	2	80	10	5	2	80	190	48	2	24	3	13	7	2	48	3	74	37	3	
6 days	2	80	16	8	2	80	232	58	2	24	3	16	8	2	48	3	89	45	3	
7 days	2	80	27	14	2	80	276	69	2	24	3	19	10	2	48	3	104	52	3	

Analyzing Table 12, within the efficient configuration building, the number of battery modules used observes a dip after 3 days due to a change in the prime-rated power of generators used. The baseline configuration building shows an increasing trend in the number of batteries used with the resilience duration due to the constant rated power of the generator for all resilience durations. Two sets of generators in both buildings ensure that the system can withstand the worst scenario, which is a blackout when the batteries are discharged.

6.5. Energy System Cost Matrix for Resilience Duration

This section discusses the retrofitting cost of energy systems within the buildings calculated using the product and the additional costs mentioned in Appendix A and Table 5. Table 13 represents the overall cost needed and cost per m² needed to maintain resilience through different combinations of components within both configuration buildings. Compared to the system with no batteries, the retrofitting cost is low in the efficient configuration building. The same component ensures the energy supply for both energy types (heat and electricity). Hence, the observed trend is due to the single energy input in the efficient configuration building versus two separate energy inputs in the baseline configuration building. The two separate energy requirements imply the usage of two types of components, which means more initial investment. Both configuration buildings consume similar amounts of energy, except for thermal temperature maintenance. Thus, the cost increment rate with prolonged resilience duration is low in the efficient configuration building because of fewer thermal losses and a more efficient heating system, which together lead to less fuel consumption to maintain survivability conditions.

Analyzing the no-generator systems, the batteries supply electrical energy in this case. The baseline configuration building directly obtains heat from the boiler and has less associated investment and operational costs. In an efficient configuration building, electricity is required as an input, even for heating. The heat pump consumes electricity to produce heat energy, thus requiring additional energy conversion. More batteries are required to fulfill the energy demand, thus resulting in more investment costs. Hence, the single type of energy input leads to a higher retrofitting cost in an efficient configuration building. The trend in the proposed system (containing both batteries and a generator) for retrofitting costs varies with the rated power of the generator included in the system to supply electricity.

Figure 14 depicts the distribution of overall cost among different components of the system containing both generators and batteries for both building configurations. Both graphs show that the batteries occupy the maximum proportion of the overall cost for all resilience durations, and the proportion varies from 40% to 77% of the overall cost. In an efficient configuration building, for a small resilience duration, the generator cost is higher than the safety and storage cost at constant generator power, while for a higher resilience duration, the safety and storage cost is higher. This trend appears due to the increasing area required by the system and the additional safety compliance arrangements associated with that area. For short-period resilience, the system requires a smaller number of batteries and generators, resulting in less area and a low proportion of overall cost. With increased resilience duration, the number of batteries required increases even with a constant number of generators. Therefore, with increased resilience duration, safety and storage cost constitute the second-largest proportion of the overall cost. A similar trend is observed in the baseline configuration building: for smaller resilience durations, the generator and boiler occupy a higher proportion of the overall cost against the safety and storage cost. With the increased resilience duration, the area requirement increases, thus safety and storage cost become the largest contributor to the overall cost next to the battery in retrofitted energy systems.

Table 13. Cost matrix showing overall cost and cost per m² needed in both configuration buildings for different combinations of energy systems.

Resilience Duration	Efficient Configuration Building						Baseline Configuration Building					
	System Contains Both Generators and Batteries		Only Generator System, No Battery		Only Battery System, No Generator		System Contains Both Generators and Batteries		Only Boiler and Generator System, No Battery		Only Boiler and Battery System, No Generator	
	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)	Overall Cost (1000×EUR)	Cost per m ² (EUR/m ²)
1 day	152	21	75	10.09	793	107	171	23	118	15.97	433	59
2 days	206	28	76	10.24	1709	231	250	34	124	16.78	815	110
3 days	413	56	77	10.36	2669	361	304	41	130	17.60	1202	163
4 days	270	37	78	10.49	3655	494	386	52	136	18.41	1584	214
5 days	349	47	78	10.61	4693	635	441	60	142	19.22	1945	263
6 days	505	68	79	10.74	5727	775	519	70	148	20.03	2331	315
7 days	790	107	80	10.86	6811	922	601	81	154	20.84	2716	367

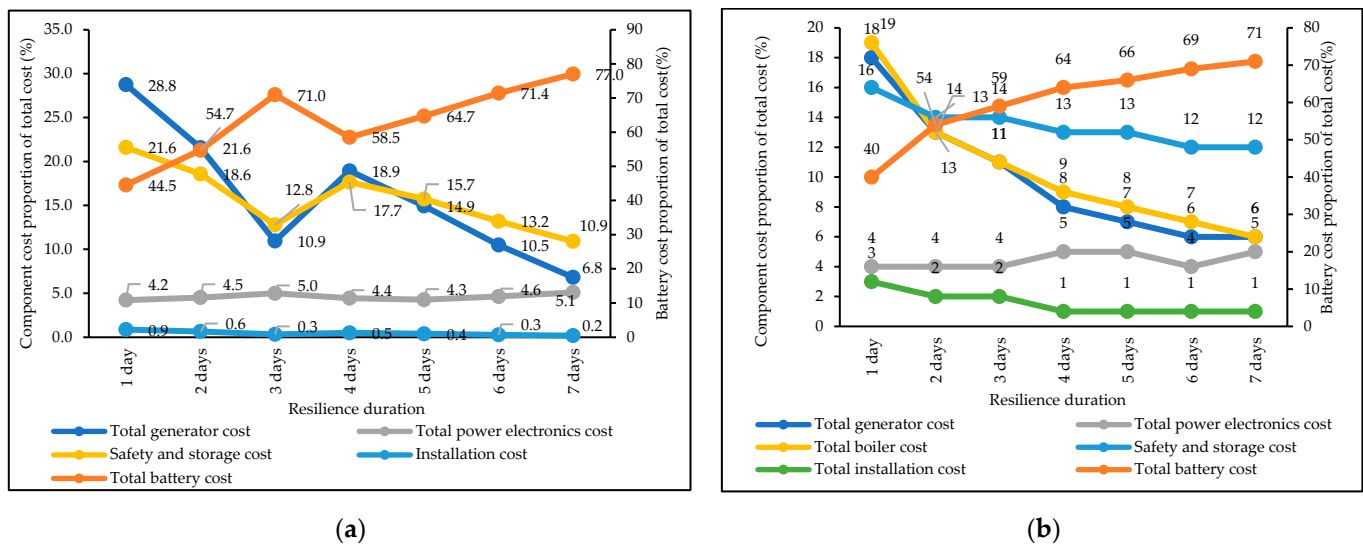


Figure 14. Component distribution in the overall cost of the proposed system ((a): efficient configuration building and (b): baseline configuration building).

Figure 14 shows that batteries constitute the maximum proportion of the overall cost, and the associated initial investment cost is also higher. Thus, the efficient configuration building has a higher resilience cost because the heating energy required is supplied through a heat pump, which requires electrical input. However, the boiler supplies the heat directly in the baseline configuration building, thus resulting in less retrofitting costs.

6.6. Flexibility Market Participation

This section assesses the participation of both configuration building energy systems in the flexibility market under two scenarios. The first scenario involves daily participation with full reserve activation all the time, and the second scenario considers daily participation with no reserve activation. Appendix B describes the assumptions for both scenarios' participation in the flexibility market. Additionally, it discusses the characteristics of integrated energy systems for both configuration buildings.

Table 14 shows the yearly recharging cost and the revenue generated through participation in different flexibility markets at the full activation scenario at March 2022 electricity prices for both configuration buildings. The analysis of Table 14 shows that the yearly recharging cost of participation in the flexibility market is more than the revenue earned through participation in the respective flexibility market for efficient configuration building. While in the baseline configuration building, the revenue is higher than the recharging cost in the case of the aFRR market with the most favorable bidding price. Even in this case of higher revenue, the return-on-investment time is higher than 10 years, which is more than the lithium-ion battery shelf life. Hence, the system becomes non-feasible in a full activation scenario at the March 2022 electricity prices. Since the electricity price in October 2022 is almost 3–4 times higher than March 2022 electricity prices, there is therefore no return on investment at higher electricity prices in both configuration buildings' energy systems under the full reserve activation scenario.

The above-discussed energy market compensation is capacity-based. Thus, the scenario with an equal number of hours of participation per day with no reserve activation will not have any recharging costs. Hence, the system will have a return on investment even within the feasible time limit. Table 15 shows the revenue earned through participation in the energy market in the case of no activation of the reserve.

Table 14. Yearly recharging cost and potential revenue from participation in various flexibility markets by the energy systems of both configuration buildings at March 2022 electricity prices in full activation scenario.

Resilience Duration	Efficient Configuration Building								Baseline Configuration Building								
	Yearly Recharging Cost	Yearly Recharging Cost for FCR-N Market	Potential Revenue						Yearly Recharging Cost	Yearly Recharging Cost for FCR-N Market	Potential Revenue						
			Participation in FCR-N		Participation in FCR-D		Participation in aFRR				Participation in FCR-N		Participation in FCR-D		Participation in aFRR		
			60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price			60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	
1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	
1 day	29.0		2.3	7.7	0.2	0.8	4.6	15.3		26.6		2.3	7.7	0.5	1.7	10.5	35.0
2 days	48.4		3.8	12.8	0.4	1.3	7.7	25.5		53.2		4.6	15.3	1.0	3.5	28.0	70.0
3 days	125.7	115.2	10.0	33.2	1.0	3.3	19.9	66.4	77.4	70.9	6.1	20.4	1.4	4.6	37.3	93.3	
4 days	67.7	62.1	5.4	17.9	0.5	1.8	10.7	35.7	106.4	97.5	8.4	28.1	1.9	6.4	51.3	128.3	
5 days	96.7	88.6	7.7	25.5	0.8	2.5	15.3	51.0	125.7	115.2	10.0	33.2	2.3	7.5	60.7	151.7	
6 days	154.7	141.8	12.3	40.8	1.2	4.1	24.5	81.7	164.4	141.8	13.0	43.4	3.0	9.8	79.3	198.3	
7 days	261.1	239.3	20.7	68.9	2.1	6.8	41.3	137.8	183.7	168.4	14.6	48.5	3.3	11.0	88.7	221.7	

Table 15. Yearly recharging cost and potential revenue from participation in various flexibility markets by the energy systems of both configuration buildings at March 2022 electricity prices in no activation scenario.

Resilience Duration	Efficient Configuration Building								Baseline Configuration Building							
	System Cost	Potential Revenue						System Cost	Potential Revenue							
		Participation in FCR-N		Participation in FCR-D		Participation in aFRR			Participation in FCR-N		Participation in FCR-D		Participation in aFRR			
		60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price		60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price	60% of Average Price	200% of Average Price		
1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	1000×EUR	
1 day	152.2	2.6	8.6	0.2	0.8	6.9	23.0	171.0	2.6	8.6	0.2	0.8	6.9	23.0		
2 days	206.3	4.3	14.3	0.4	1.4	11.5	38.3	249.6	5.1	17.1	0.5	1.7	13.8	45.9		
3 days	413.1	11.1	37.1	1.1	3.6	29.9	99.5	304.4	6.9	22.9	0.7	2.2	18.4	61.2		
4 days	270.0	6.0	20.0	0.6	1.9	16.1	53.6	386.1	9.4	31.4	0.9	3.0	25.3	84.2		
5 days	348.5	8.6	28.6	0.8	2.8	23.0	76.5	440.9	11.1	37.1	1.1	3.6	29.9	99.5		
6 days	504.9	13.7	45.7	1.3	4.4	36.7	122.5	546.5	14.6	48.6	1.4	4.7	39.0	130.1		
7 days	790.1	23.1	77.2	2.2	7.4	62.0	206.7	601.2	16.3	54.3	1.6	5.2	43.6	145.4		

From Tables 14 and 15, it is clear that the possible reasons for no return on investment in energy systems include the high electricity cost of battery recharge and the high initial investment of battery modules. However, an increasing number of battery energy storage system plants as reserves in the flexibility market indicates the probable future feasibility of the technology. The reduction in battery investment costs may help make this concept more feasible. Additionally, an onsite renewable energy system also supports the flexibility and market participation of energy reserves.

7. Conclusions

The recent trends indicate the challenge of climate change to human health and dwellings. The study shows the lack of research on resilience in extremely cold climates. The existing research does not assume consensus over terminologies, characteristics, or thresholds for relevant parameters. This study establishes the terminology and threshold parameters by compiling the available literature. This will further support resilience analysis in extremely cold climates.

Simulation results from IDA-ICE show that the time taken by the building to drop the indoor temperature to the threshold value from the normal temperature increases by 15%. The efficient building envelope, having higher thermal inertia retention and low thermal losses, enhances the building's resilience. The integration of an efficient heating system along with the building envelope reduces instantaneous power consumption by 3 to 5.3 times and, on an average basis, by 3.9 times. While peak power reduces by a range of 3.1 to 3.6 times, depending on the resilience duration, the total energy required similarly reduces by 3.7 to 4.1 times due to the efficient building envelope and efficient heating system.

Withstanding all the technical requirements and applicable constraints for energy systems—diesel generators, lithium-ion batteries, and oil boilers—are found apt and sized for usage in both buildings. Real-life products' analogous technical specifications and prices simulate the system closer to reality. The economic assessment shows that battery proportions in overall cost can go up to 70% and 77% in the baseline and efficient building configuration, respectively. The range of investment needed highly depends upon the number of batteries involved in the system. The range of investment varies from 10.09 EUR/m² to 10.86 EUR/m² for the efficient configuration building and from 15.97 EUR/m² to 20.84 EUR/m² for the baseline configuration building in the case of no battery system. For the system with no generator, the efficient configuration building's resilience cost varies from 107 EUR/m² to 922 EUR/m². The baseline configuration building's resilience cost varies from 59 EUR/m² to 367 EUR/m² depending upon the duration of resilience. The system containing no batteries has a very low retrofitting cost because of the lower initial investment and the lower associated fuel cost.

Ancillary services markets emerged as the outcome of grid fluctuations. The reserves can participate within them to ensure the grid's operation according to the National Code and earn revenue for their service. This study assessed the participation of building reserves in different hourly ancillary markets for two scenarios, including full activation of reserves and no activation of reserves. In the full activation scenario, the recharging cost of the battery is higher than the potential revenue in both configuration buildings. Thus, no return is feasible in the situation of recharging from grid electricity. The scenario with no activation of reserves implies a feasible return on investment because no battery recharging cost is incurred during participation. The increasing number of renewable-integrated battery reserve pilot plants participating in the flexibility market also corroborates the same. Thus, more of these systems can participate in flexibility markets in the future if battery costs are reduced, or an onsite renewable energy generation system is installed.

8. Future Work

This work can be further extended to assess and establish the resilience characteristics of buildings in extreme cold climates. The assessment included the case simulation in the multiapartment building, which primarily comprises the newly built buildings. Thus, the study can be expanded to the different building stocks available. The energy system retrofitting varies with the type of building and location of the site, thus also extending the techno-economic assessment to the different building stocks. This study assesses the participation in the flexibility market for a range of revenue with appropriate assumptions to simplify the calculations. Thus, participation in the flexibility market can be assessed for the more realistic operational scenario.

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Appendix A

- Battery cell specifications

Parameter	Value	Unit
Rated power	7	kW
Peak power	11	kW
Battery efficiency	90	%
Area	0.15	m ²
Product cost	8987	EUR
Shipment cost	95	EUR

- Inverter

Parameter	Value	Unit
Maximum power input	45	kW
Maximum current input	43.5	A _{dc}
Input voltage	680–1000	V _{dc}
Maximum power output	29.9	kW
Maximum current output	43.5	A _{ac}
Output voltage (line to neutral)	230	V _{ac}
Output voltage (line to line)	400	V _{ac}
Inverter efficiency	98	%
Area	0.12	m ²
Product cost	2190	EUR
Shipment cost	70	EUR
Maximum power input	45	kW

- Generators

Parameter	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3	Type 4	Type 5	Unit
Rated power	24	32	48	64	80	kW
Fuel consumption at full	6.7	9.4	19.2	19.2	23.8	L/h
Fuel consumption at (3/4)th	5.9	7.1	14.6	14.6	17.9	L/h
Generator area	1.26	1.97	2.79	2.90	2.90	m ²
Product cost	12,350	13,400	16,700	17,150	18,950	EUR
Shipment cost	155	155	155	155	155	EUR
Rated power	24	32	48	64	80	kW

- Boilers

Parameter	Value	Unit
Thermal power	70	kW
Effective thermal power	65.43	kW
Electrical power	6	kW
Efficiency	93.47	%
Area	0.49	m ²

- Boiler burner

Parameter	Value	Unit
Power rating (up to)	120	kW
Area	0.18	m ²

Appendix B

The following are the assumptions made in the calculation of potential revenue through participation in the flexibility market:

1. During analysis, the battery reserve participates in only one type of flexibility market for the entire year;
2. The time duration of January 2022 to October 2022 has been analyzed to calculate the potential number of bids;
3. The bid is procured daily for the entire year, and procurement of the bid is conducted in the same proportion as it was conducted from January 2022 to October 2022;
4. In the case of full activation, the reserve is activated all the times for which the bid is accepted;
5. In case of no activation, the bid is accepted, and the reserve will provide the flexibility capacity, but the reserve will not be activated;
6. The price for which the bid is accepted is considered constant, which is the average of the actual bidding price in the respective market for the mentioned time duration;
7. Aggregator facilitates the small reserves' participation in the flexibility market and charges 20% of revenue for the service;
8. The electricity price in the year 2022 varies a lot. Thus, the calculations are performed with the average electricity price for March 2022. Sensitivity analysis was performed with an electricity price of October 2022;
9. No replacement of batteries is considered. Hence, no replacement cost is included in the calculations;
10. The participation of batteries is considered in the complete number of hours;
11. Batteries' charging and discharging times are considered equal;
12. In the case of participation in the FCR-N market, the batteries are to be maintained at a 50% state of charge at all times due to their symmetric nature. Therefore, only half of the energy reserve can be used.

Table A1. Efficient building configuration energy system's characteristics for participation in the flexibility market.

Resilience Duration	Number of Generator	Number of Battery Modules	Number of Inverters	Max Power Rating Possible for Participation in Energy Markets	Total Energy Possible	Number of Hours Possible	Charging Time with Fast Charger	Daily Available Hours	Number of Daily Participations in Flexibility Market in Hours	Daily Energy Used	Cost of Daily Recharging	Total Energy Possible for FCR-N	Number of Hours Possible for FCR-N	Battery Recharging Time (Fast Charging)	Number of Daily Participations in FCR-N	Daily Hours of Participation in FCR-N	Daily Energy Used	Cost of Daily Recharging
				kW	kWh	hours	hours	hours		MWh	EUR	MWh	hours	hours		hours	MWh	EUR
1 day	2	3	2	42	96	2.3	2.3	12	12	0.5	79	48	1.1	1.1	10	11	0.5	73
2 days	2	5	3	70	160	2.3	2.3	12	12	0.8	132	80	1.1	1.1	10	11	0.8	121
3 days	2	13	7	182	416	2.3	2.3	12	12	2.2	344	208	1.1	1.1	10	11	2	316
4 days	2	7	4	98	224	2.3	2.3	12	12	1.2	185	112	1.1	1.1	10	11	1.1	170
5 days	2	10	5	140	320	2.3	2.3	12	12	1.7	265	160	1.1	1.1	10	11	1.5	243
6 days	2	16	8	224	512	2.3	2.3	12	12	2.7	424	256	1.1	1.1	10	11	2.5	389
7 days	2	27	14	378	864	2.3	2.3	12	12	4.5	715	432	1.1	1.1	10	11	4.2	656

Table A2. Baseline building configuration energy system's characteristics for participation in flexibility market.

Resilience Duration	Number of Generator	Number of Boiler	Number of Battery	Number of Inverters	Max Power Rating Possible for Participation in Energy Markets	Total Energy Possible	Number of Hours Possible	Charging Time with Fast Charger	Daily Available Hours for Flexibility	Number of Daily Participations in Flexibility Market	Cost of Daily Recharging	Yearly Recharging Cost	Total Energy Possible for FCR-N	Number of Hours Possible for FCR-N	Battery Recharging Time (Fast Charging)	Number of Daily Participations in FCR-N	Daily Hours of Participation in FCR-N	Daily Energy Used	Cost of Daily Recharging	Yearly Recharging Cost
					kW	kWh	hours	hours	hours		EUR	1000×EUR	kWh	hours	hours		hours	MWh	EUR	1000×EUR
1 day	2	3	3	2	42	96	2.3	2.3	12	12	79.5	29.0	48	1.1	1.1	10	11	0.5	73	26.6
2 days	2	3	6	3	84	192	2.3	2.3	12	12	159.0	58.0	96	1.1	1.1	10	11	0.9	146	53.3
3 days	2	3	8	4	112	256	2.3	2.3	12	12	211.9	77.4	128	1.1	1.1	10	11	1.2	194	70.8
4 days	2	3	11	6	154	352	2.3	2.3	12	12	291.4	106.4	176	1.1	1.1	10	11	1.7	267	97.5
5 days	2	3	13	7	182	416	2.3	2.3	12	12	344.4	125.7	208	1.1	1.1	10	11	2.0	316	115.3
6 days	2	3	17	9	238	544	2.3	2.3	12	12	450.4	164.4	256	1.1	1.1	10	11	2.5	389	142.0
7 days	2	3	19	10	266	608	2.3	2.3	12	12	503.4	183.7	304	1.1	1.1	10	11	2.9	461	168.3

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