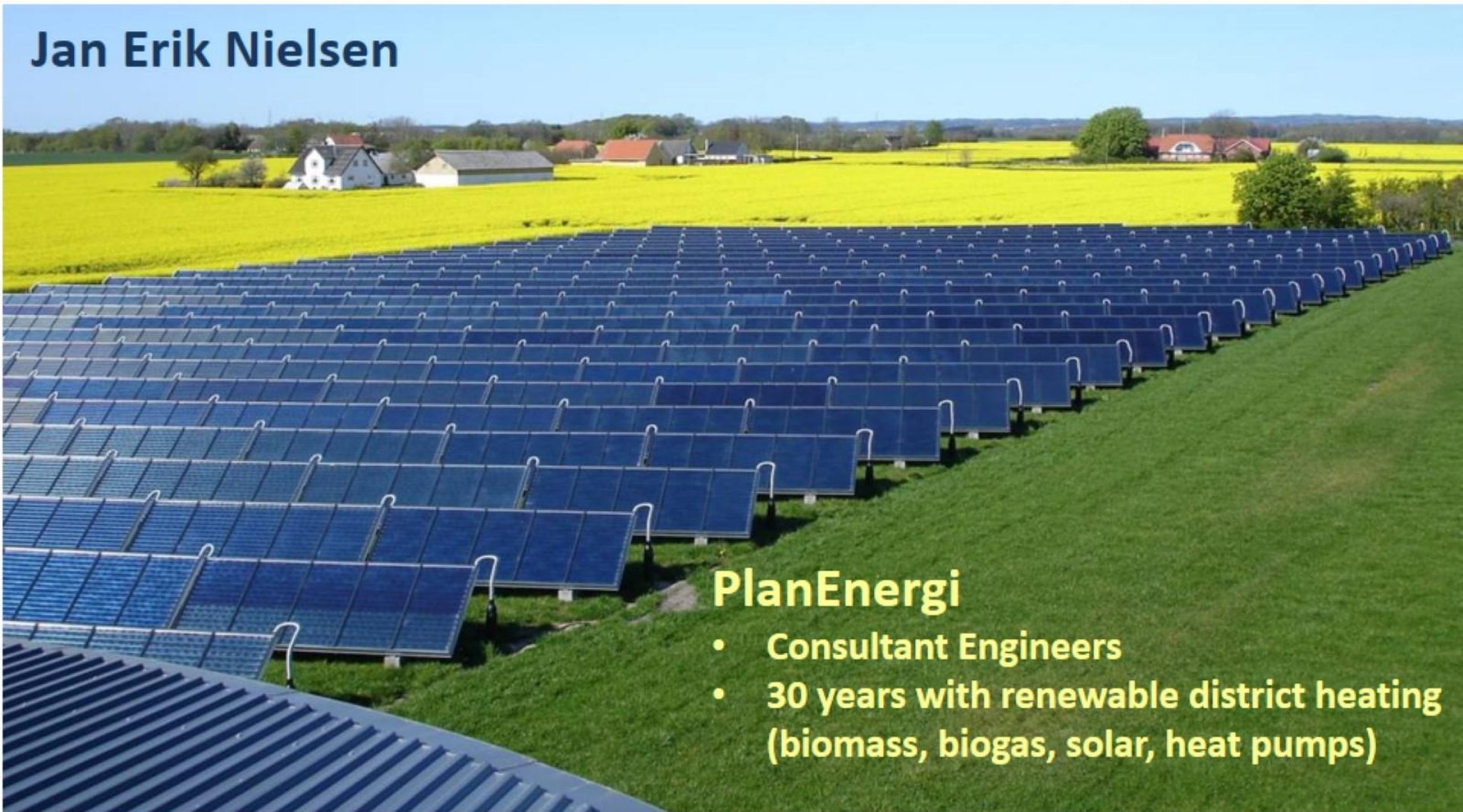


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An example from Denmark

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Quasi-dynamic model for simulation of large solar collector fields

On-line surveillance of field performance

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Basic differential equation:

$$C \, dT_m / dt = n_0 G - U_L (T_m - T_a) - mc_p (T_o - T_i)$$

C	heat capacity in the collector loop per m ² collector	J/(K m ²)
dT _m	change of the collector loop mean temperature during a time step	K
dt	time step	s
n ₀	zero loss efficiency	-
G	resulting radiation (taking into account shadows and IAM)	W/m ²
U _L	collector heat loss coefficient (linearized) U _L = a ₁ + a ₂ (T _m *), where T _m * is mean temperature in last time step	W/(m ² K)
a ₁	collector 1.order heat loss coefficient	W/(m ² K)
a ₂	collector 2.order heat loss coefficient	W/(m ² K ²)
T _m	collector loop mean temperature	°C
T _a	ambient air temperature	°C
m	mass flow rate in collector loop per m ² collector	kg/(s m ²)
c _p	specific heat capacity of collector loop fluid	J/(kgK)
T _{out}	collector outlet temperature	°C
T _{in}	collector inlet temperature	°C

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Solution:

$$T_{m,1} = T_{m,0}(1-B_1/2)/(1+B_1/2) + B_2/(1+B_2/2)$$

where

$T_{m,1}$ is collector loop mean temp. at the end of dt

$T_{m,0}$ is collector loop mean temp. at the beginning of dt

$$B_1 = (U_L + 2mc_p) * dt / C$$

$$B_2 = (n_0 G + U_L t_a + 2mc_p T_{in}) * dt / C$$

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Calculated outlet temperature:

$$T_{\text{out}} = 2T_{\text{m}} - T_{\text{in}}$$

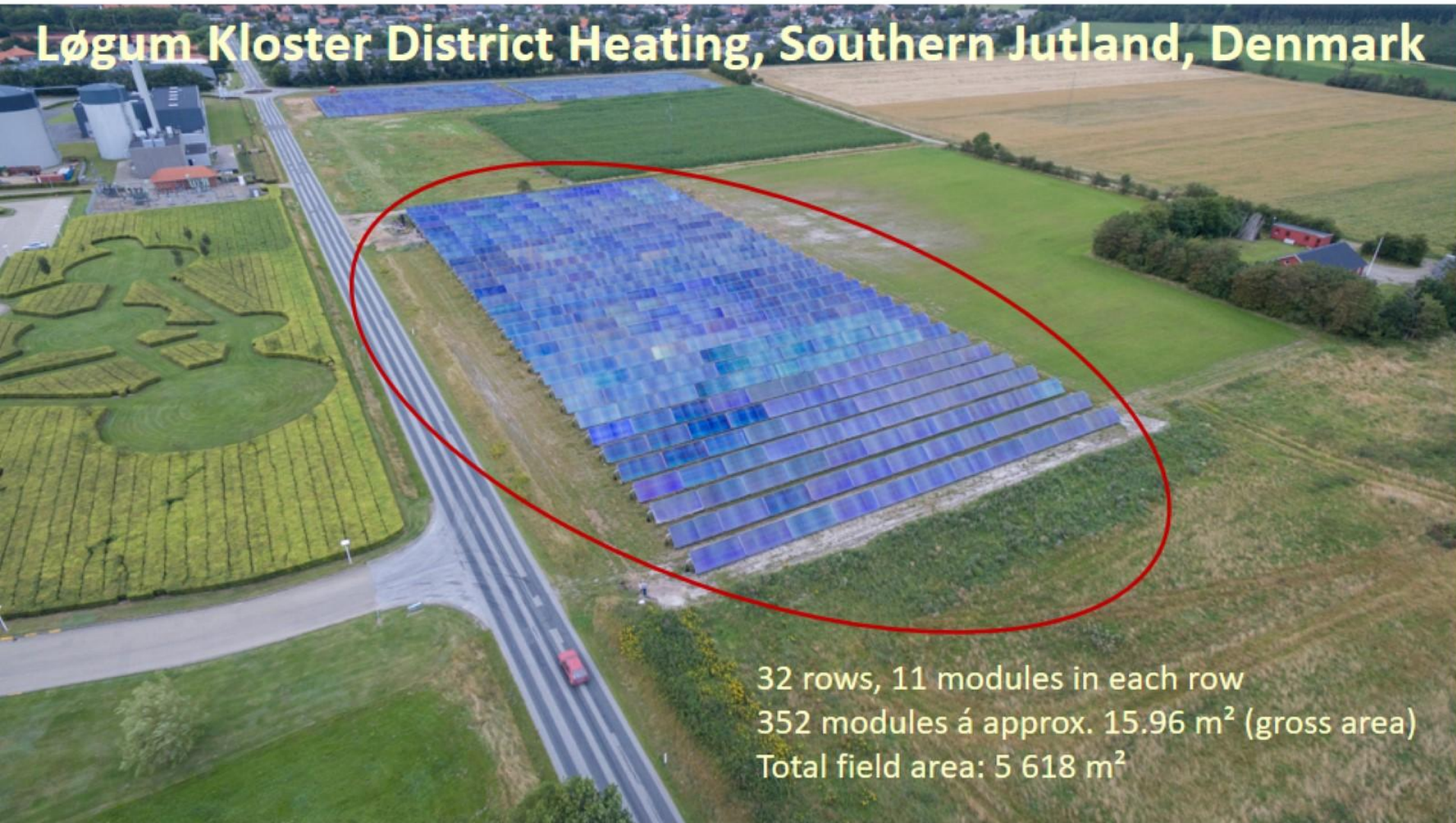
Calculated output:

$$Q = mc_p(T_{\text{out}} - T_{\text{in}}) * dt$$

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Løgum Kloster District Heating, Southern Jutland, Denmark

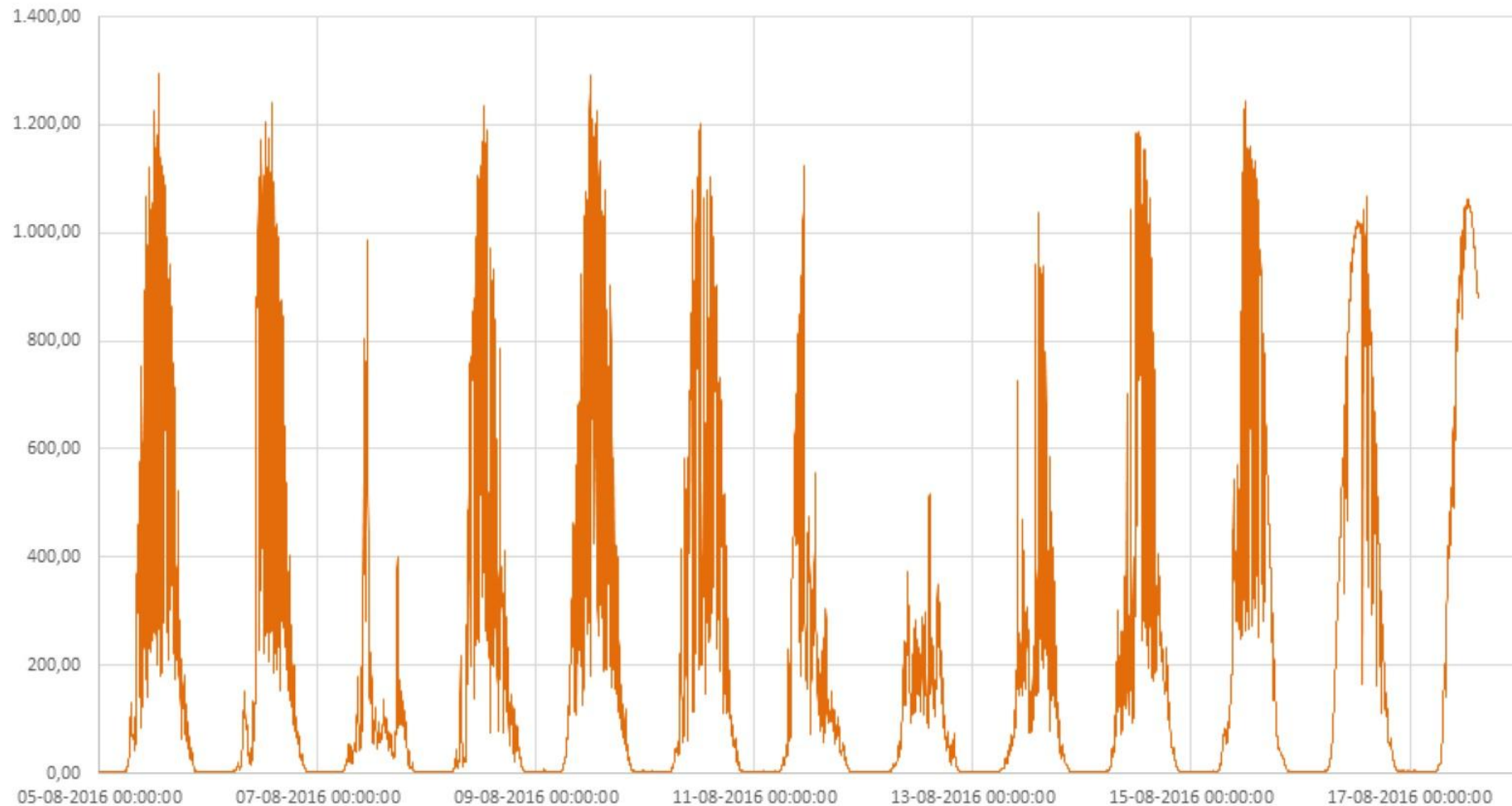


32 rows, 11 modules in each row
352 modules á approx. 15.96 m² (gross area)
Total field area: 5 618 m²

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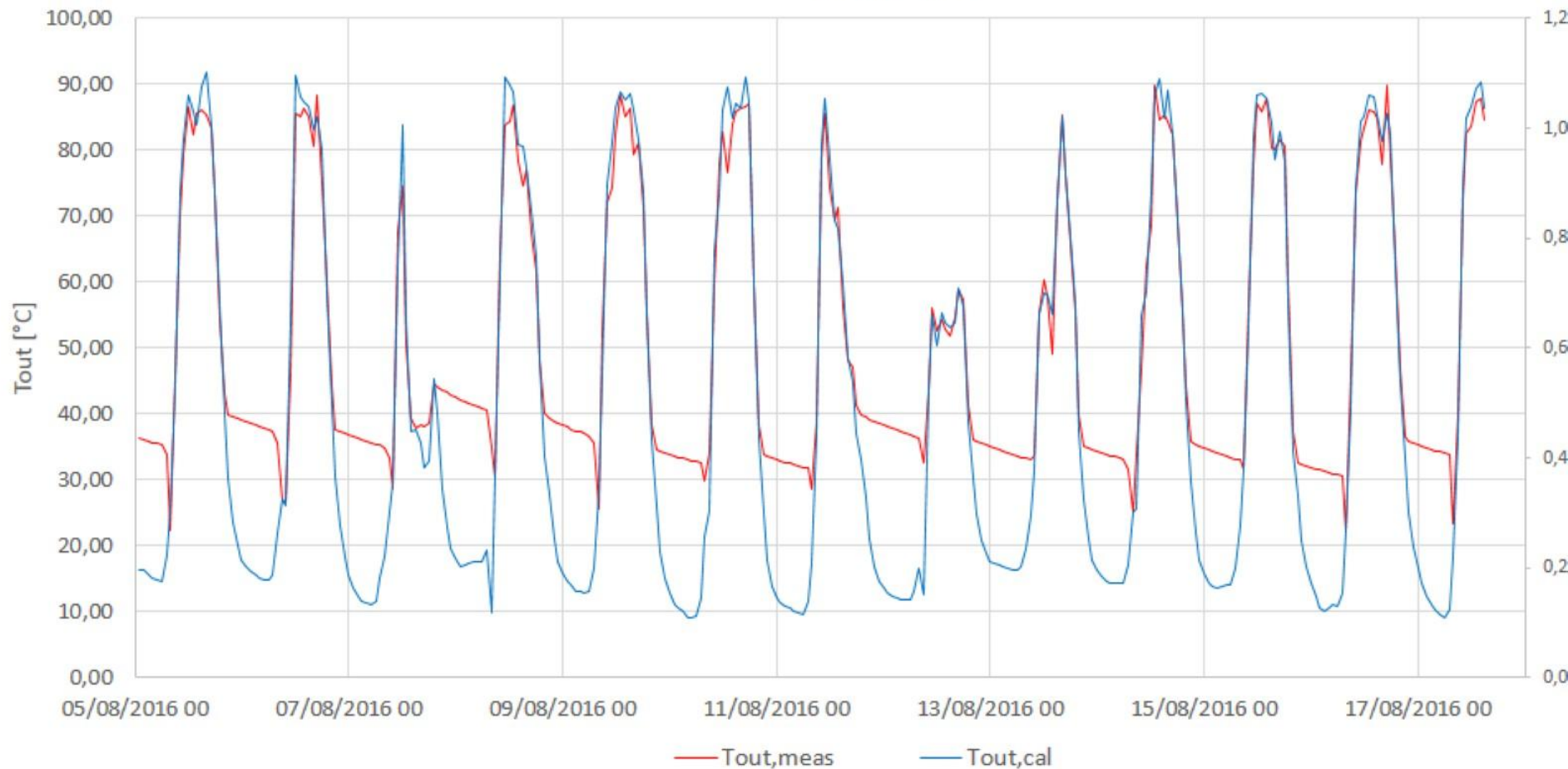
Measured irradiation W/m^2



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Tout - measured and calculated
Hourly values

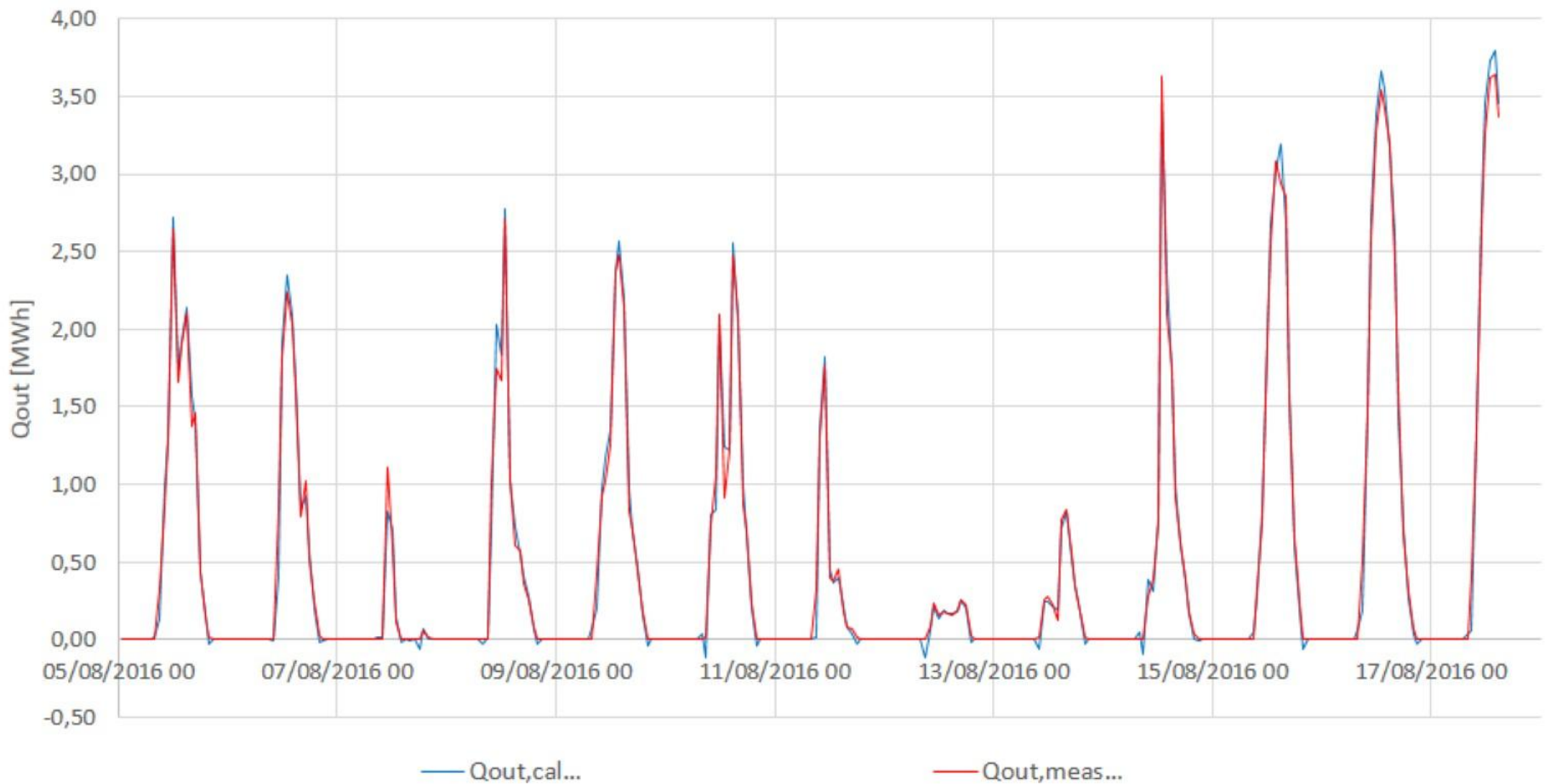


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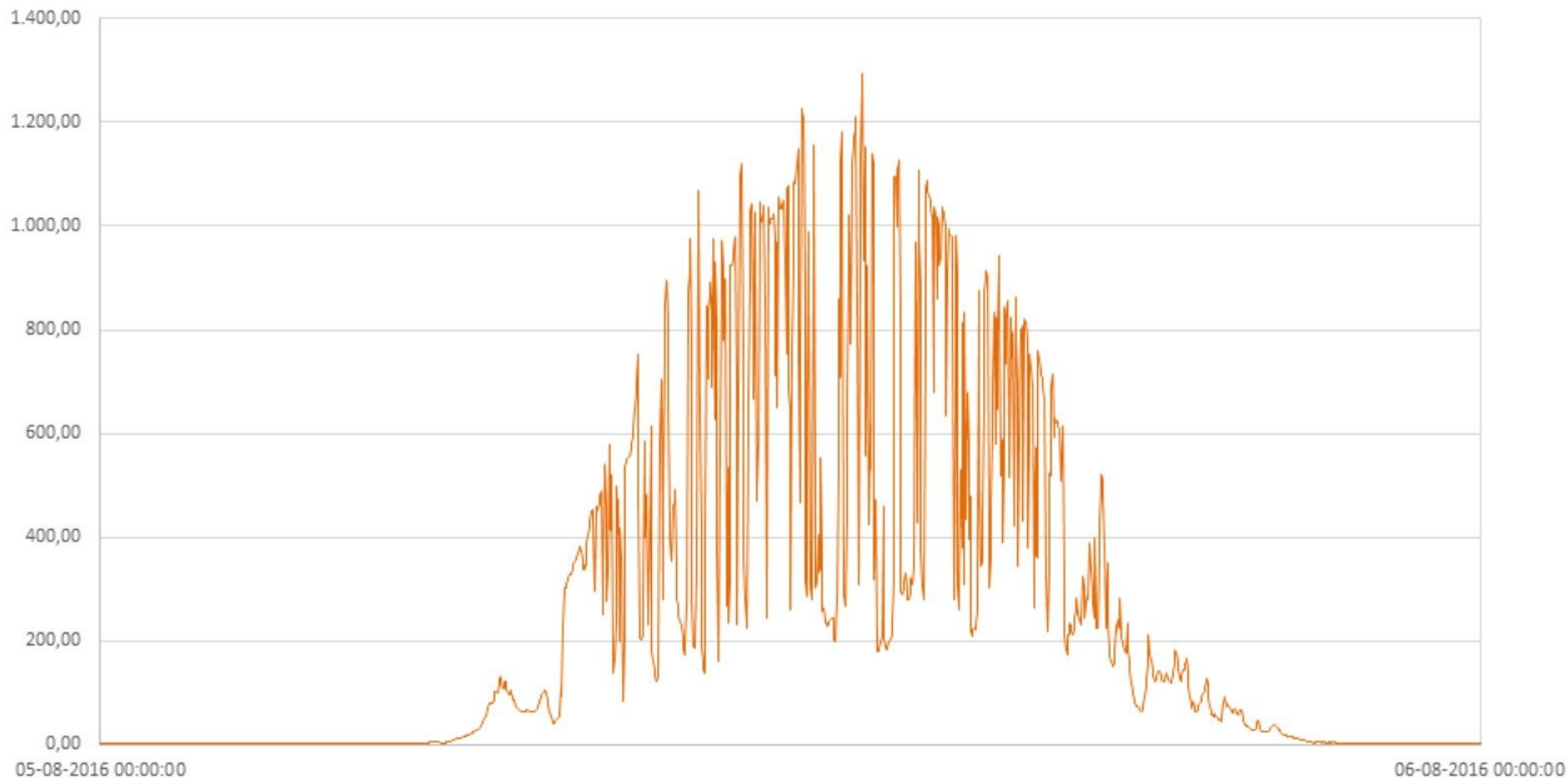
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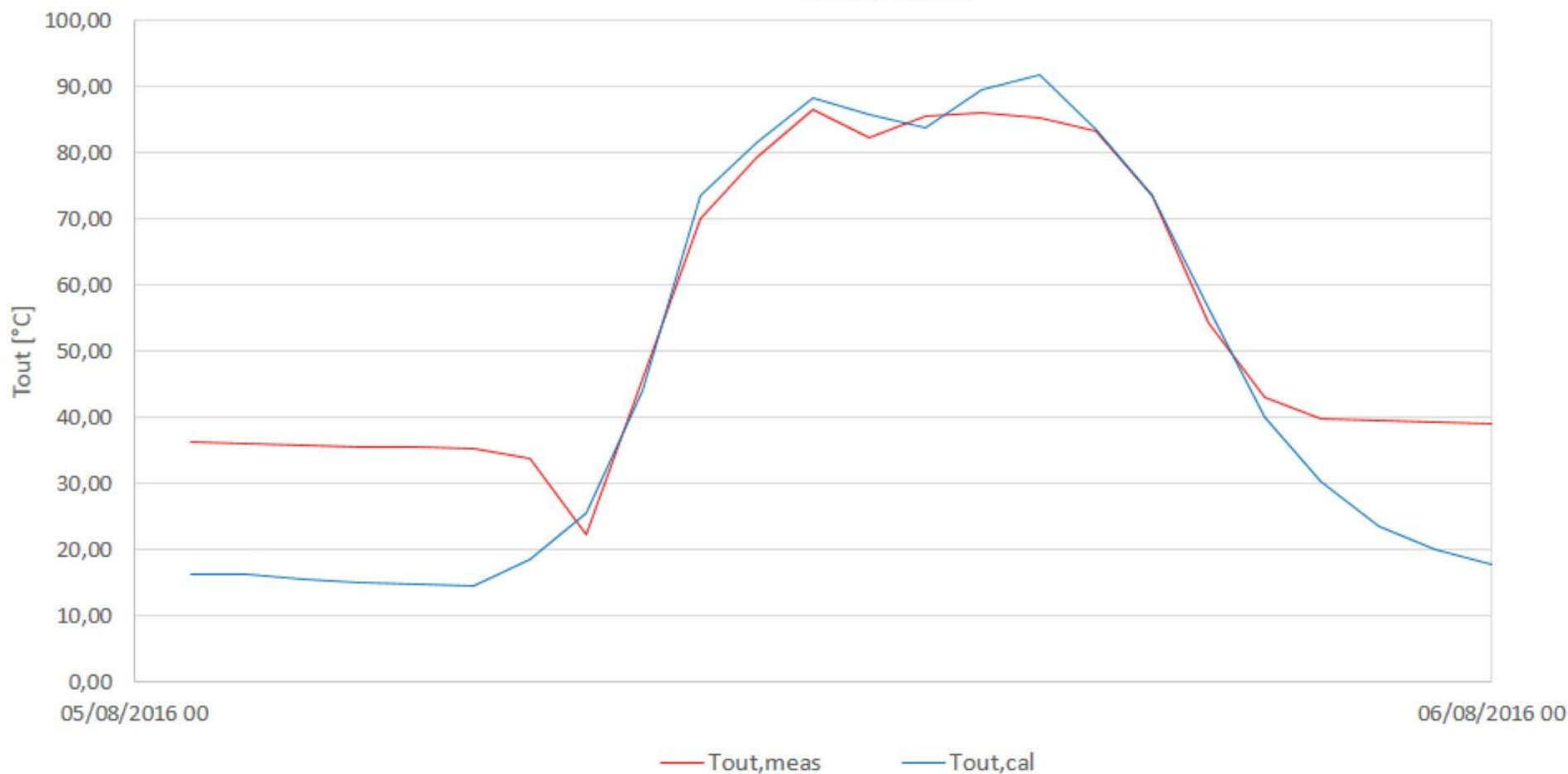


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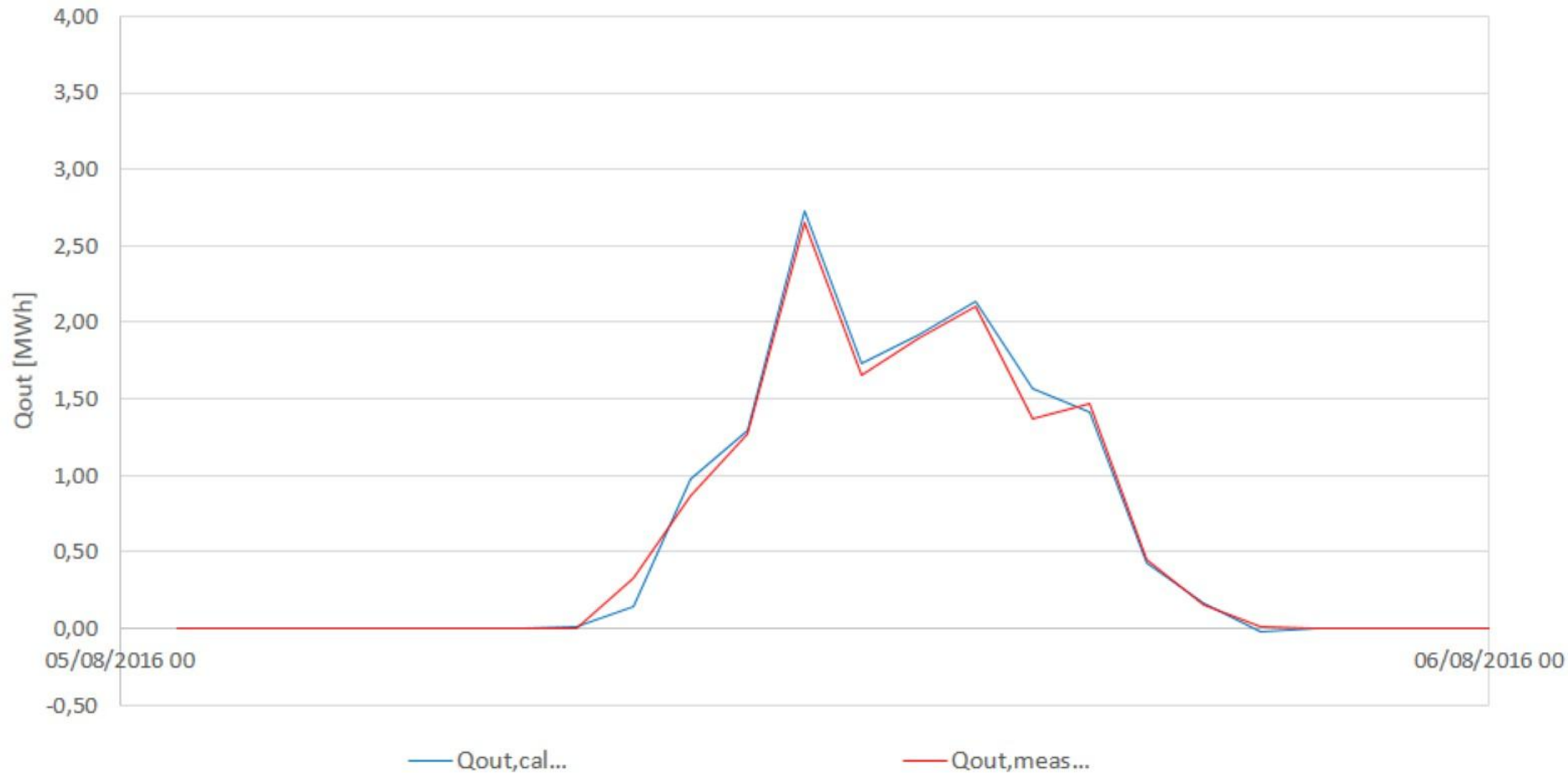
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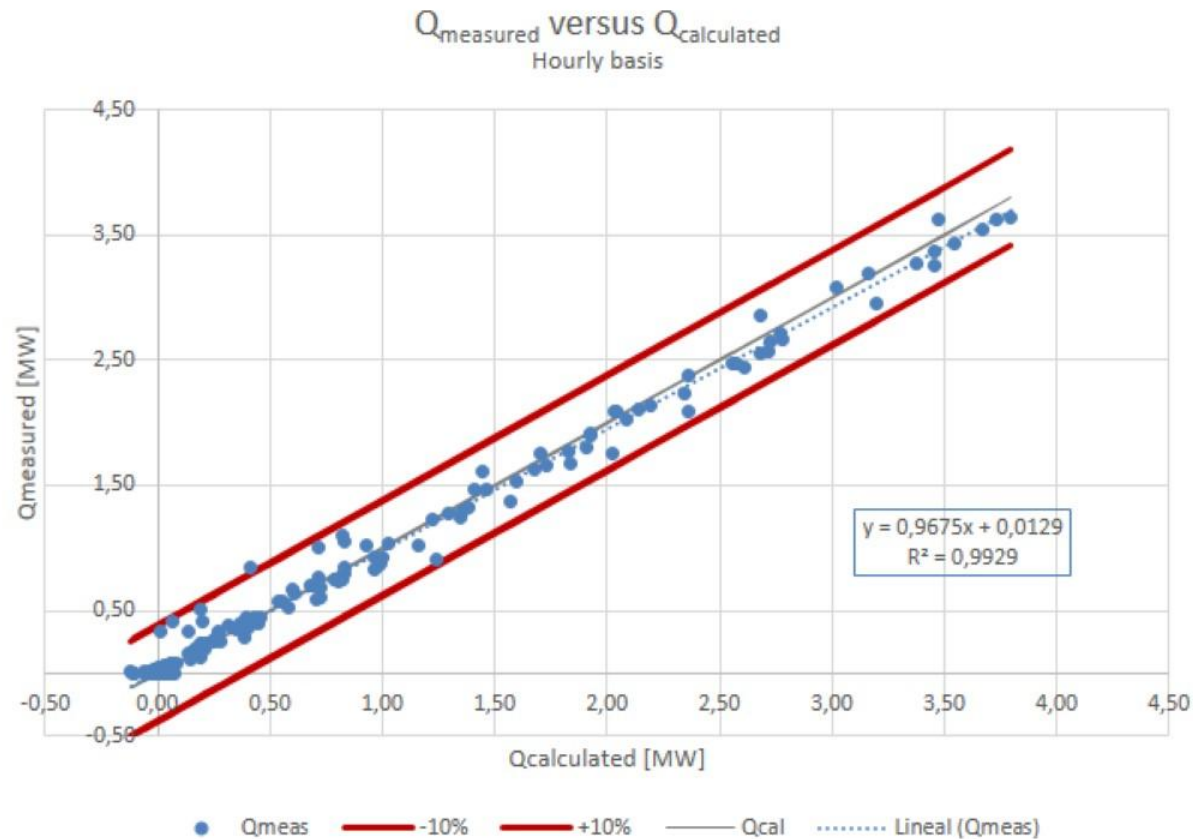
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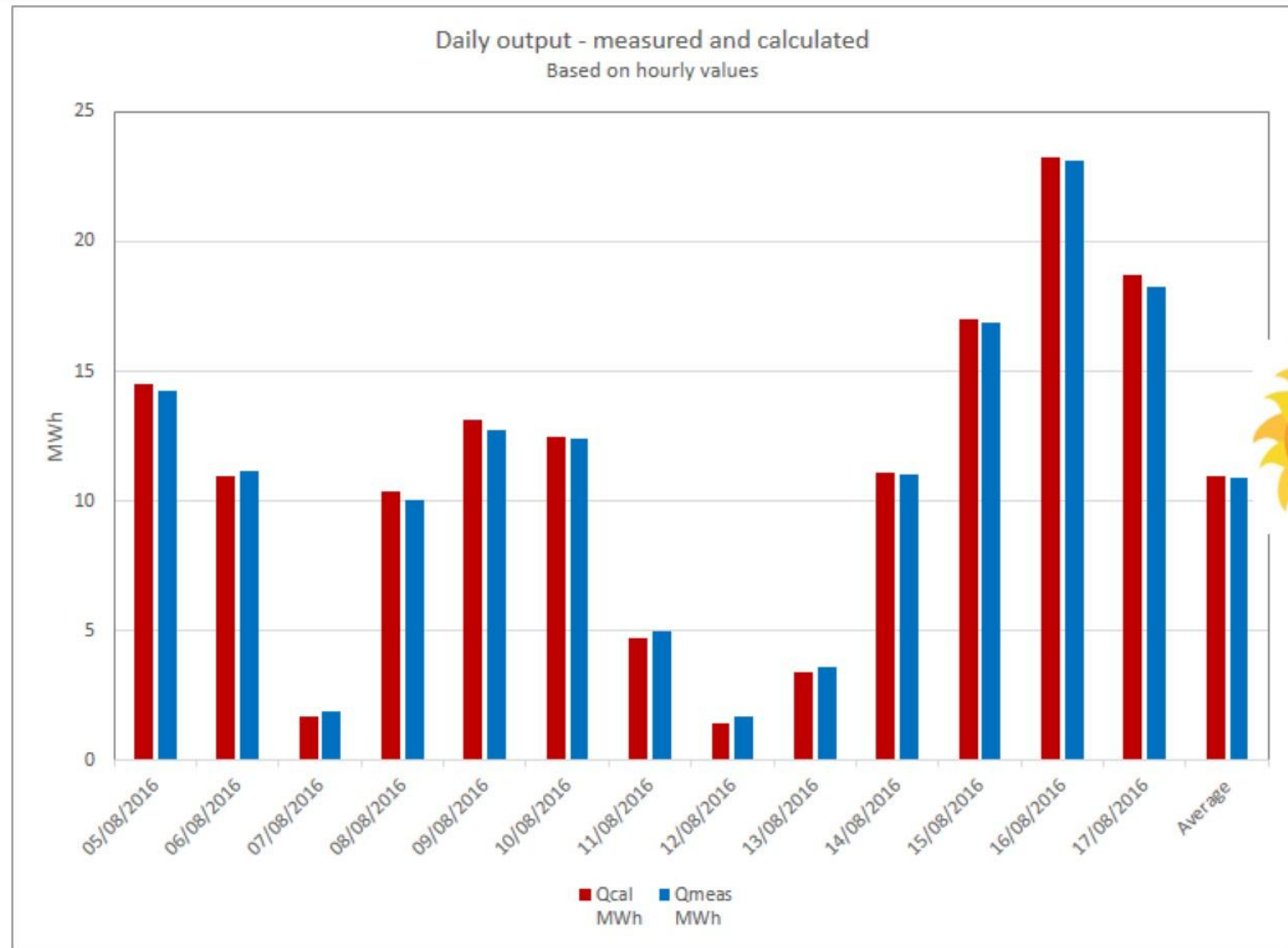
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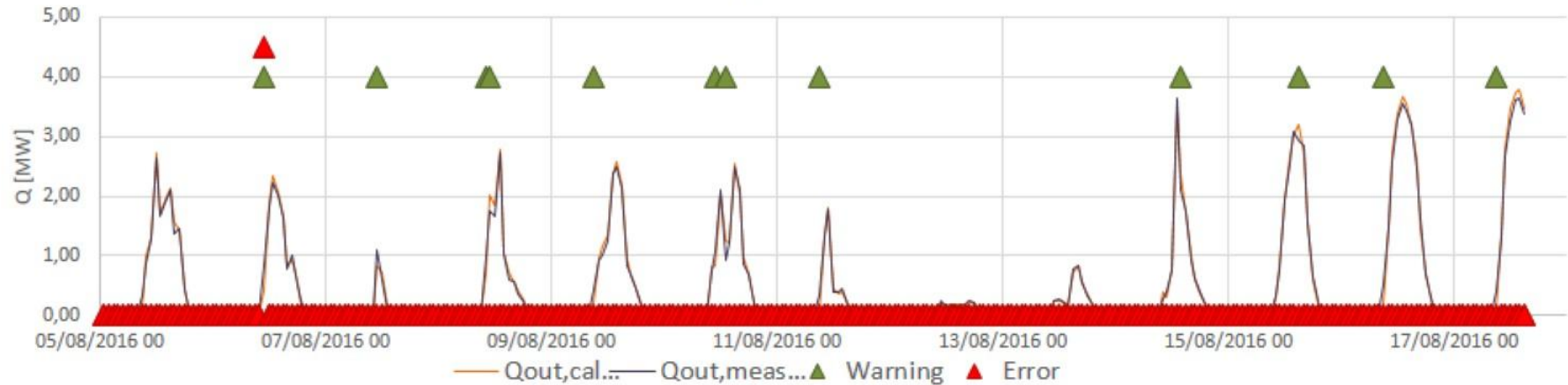


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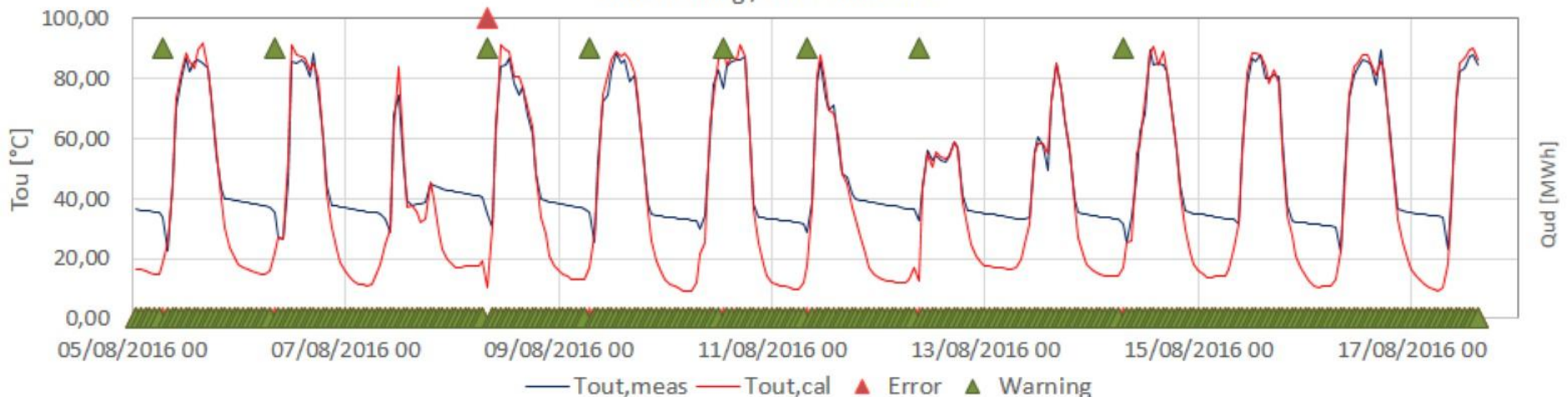
Q_{out} - measured and calculated

With warning / error indication



T_{out} - measured and calculated

With warning / error indication



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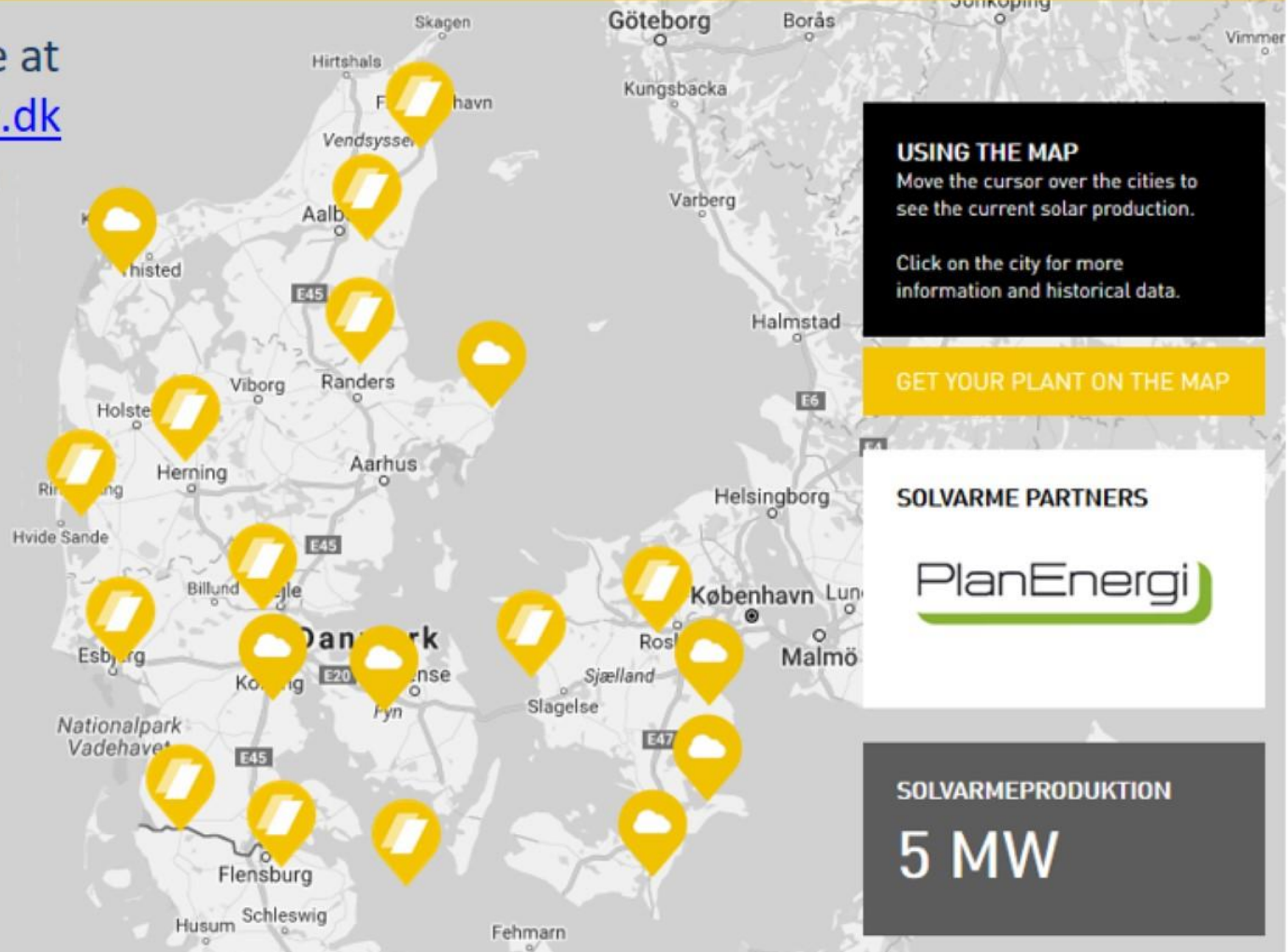
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