

# Monte Carlo method for pricing forecasting errors

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## IMBALANCE EXPENSES VERSUS ACCURACY COST

Sign of the imbalance volume $W_o$	Net financial value to the company	Interpretation of balancing transaction ( $Z$ )	Interpretation of accuracy costs ( $S$ )
Negative: long position	Formulae	$W_o < 0 : Z = C_- \cdot W_o$	$W_o < 0 : S = (C_- - C_0) \cdot W_o$
	Positive: revenue or profit?	The excessively contracted energy was sold on the market. The money received is the revenue from selling overstocked goods.	The long position of the company was different from the position of the market and contributed to the balance. The amount constitutes profit from selling at a price higher than purchasing price.
	Negative: expenses or loss?	Someone was paid to consume excessively contracted energy. The money paid is the payment for purchasing the demand on the market.	The excessively contracted energy was sold on the market at a price lower than the purchase price (possibly negative, i.e. the demand being purchased). The positive value is the loss generated in the process.
Positive: short position	Formulae	$W_o > 0 : Z = C_+ \cdot W_o$	$W_o > 0 : S = (C_+ - C_0) \cdot W_o$
	Positive: revenue or profit?	The insufficiently contracted energy generated demand that was bought on the market. The money received is the revenue from selling demand missing on the market.	The insufficiently contracted energy was purchased at a price lower than the original purchasing price. The amount presents opportunity profit for purchasing the energy at a lower price compared to the original purchase.
	Negative: expenses or loss?	The insufficiently contracted energy was purchased on the market. The money paid is the payment for purchasing this energy.	The insufficiently contracted energy was purchased later at a greater cost. The amount presents net loss for purchasing the energy at a greater price compared to the original purchase.

## INPUT TIME SERIES

$W_g$  – actual consumption [MWh]

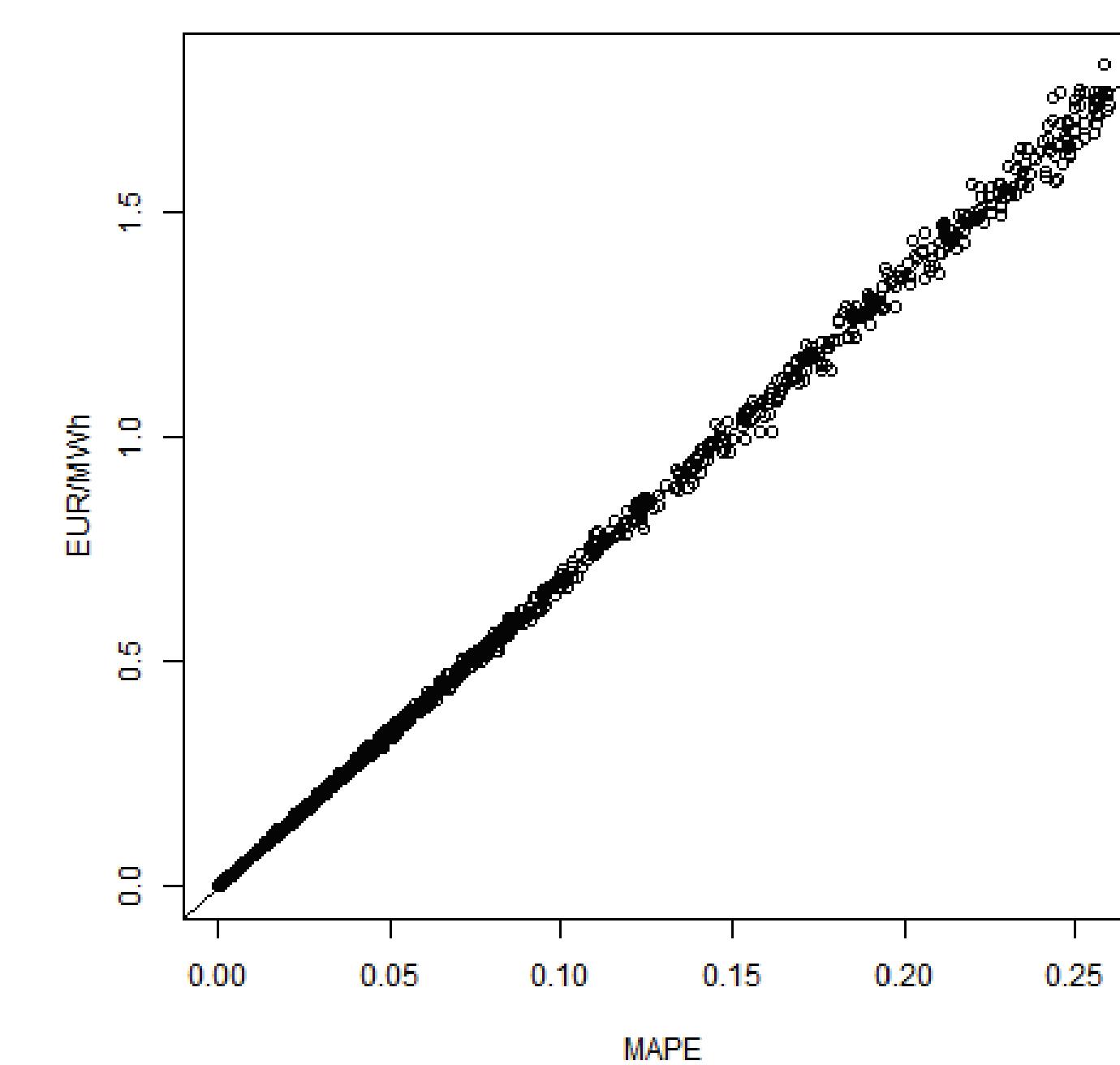
$W_f$  – predicted consumption [MWh]

$C_0$  – price of purchased energy [€/MWh]

$C_+$  – price for positive imbalances [€/MWh]

$C_-$  – price for negative imbalances [€/MWh]

## COMPUTATION

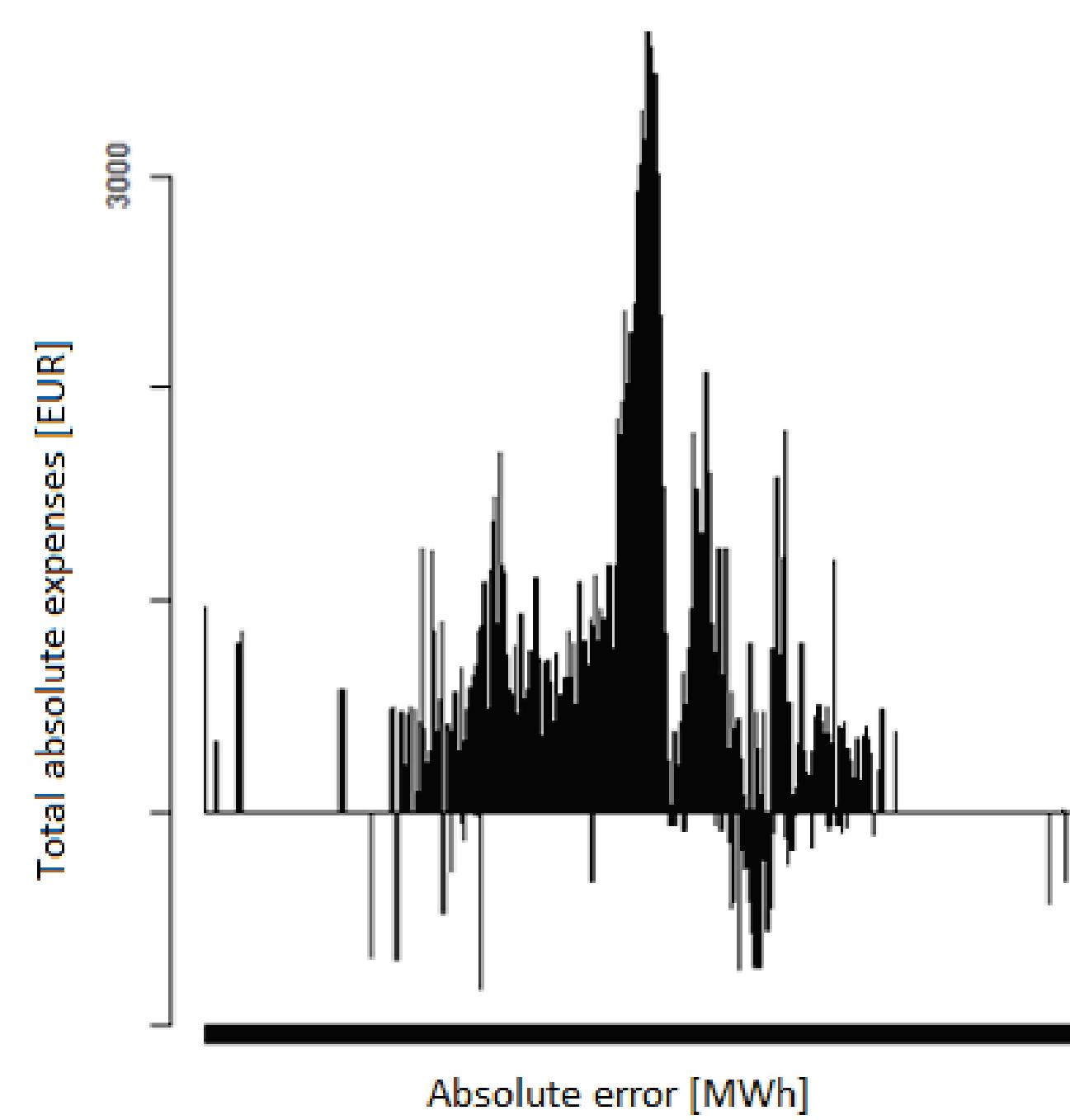


Dependence of the accuracy costs on MAPE for a particular energy usage time series: relative costs in EUR/MWh (right).

## ACCURACY COSTS

Absolute coefficient [€/year]		Relative coefficient [c€/MWh]	
Coefficient	39.054	Coefficient	6,76
Std. error	47,65	Std. error	0,00828

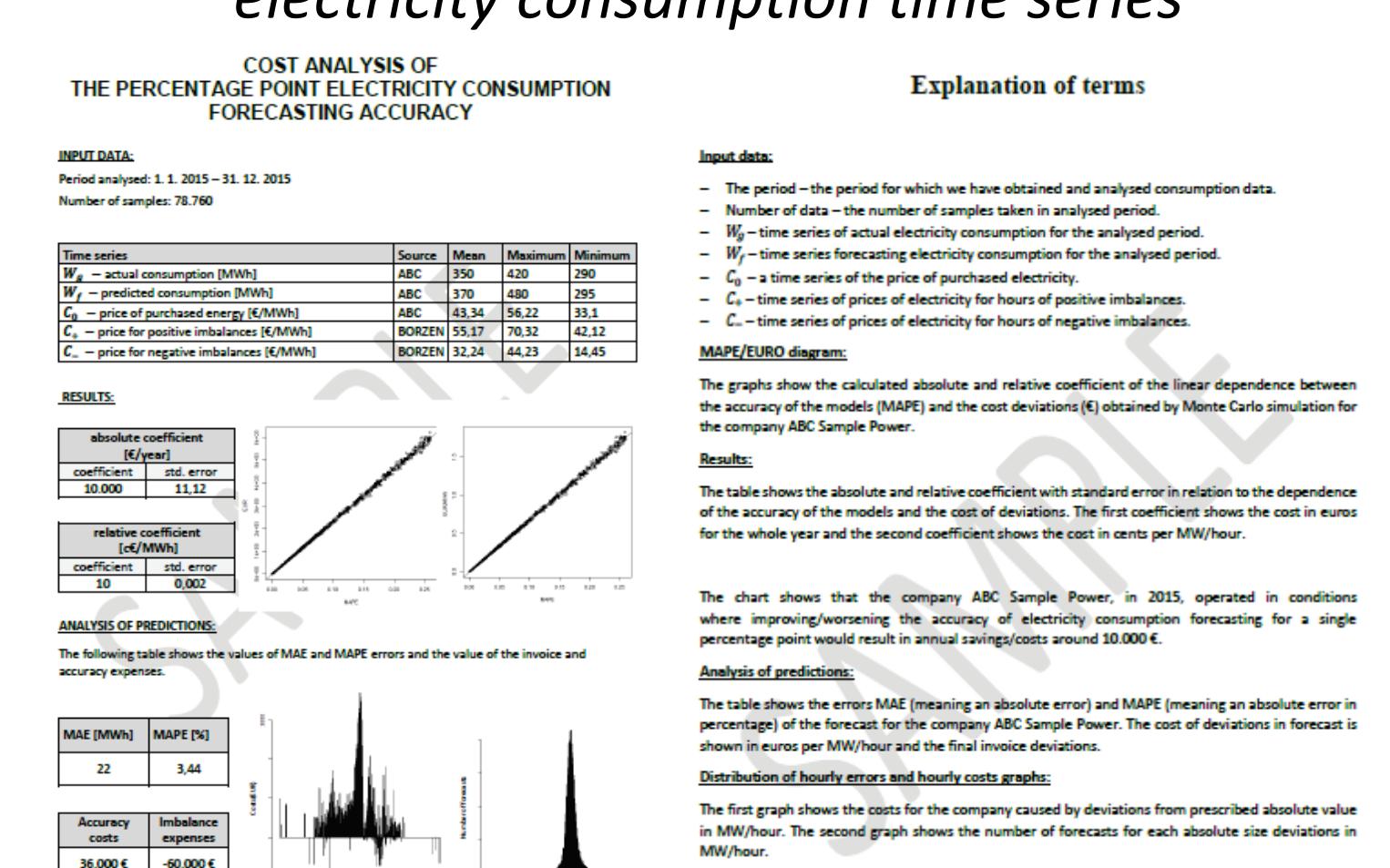
## ERROR DISTRIBUTIONS



Distribution of total absolute expenses [EUR] realized at specific absolute error [MWh] of forecasts.

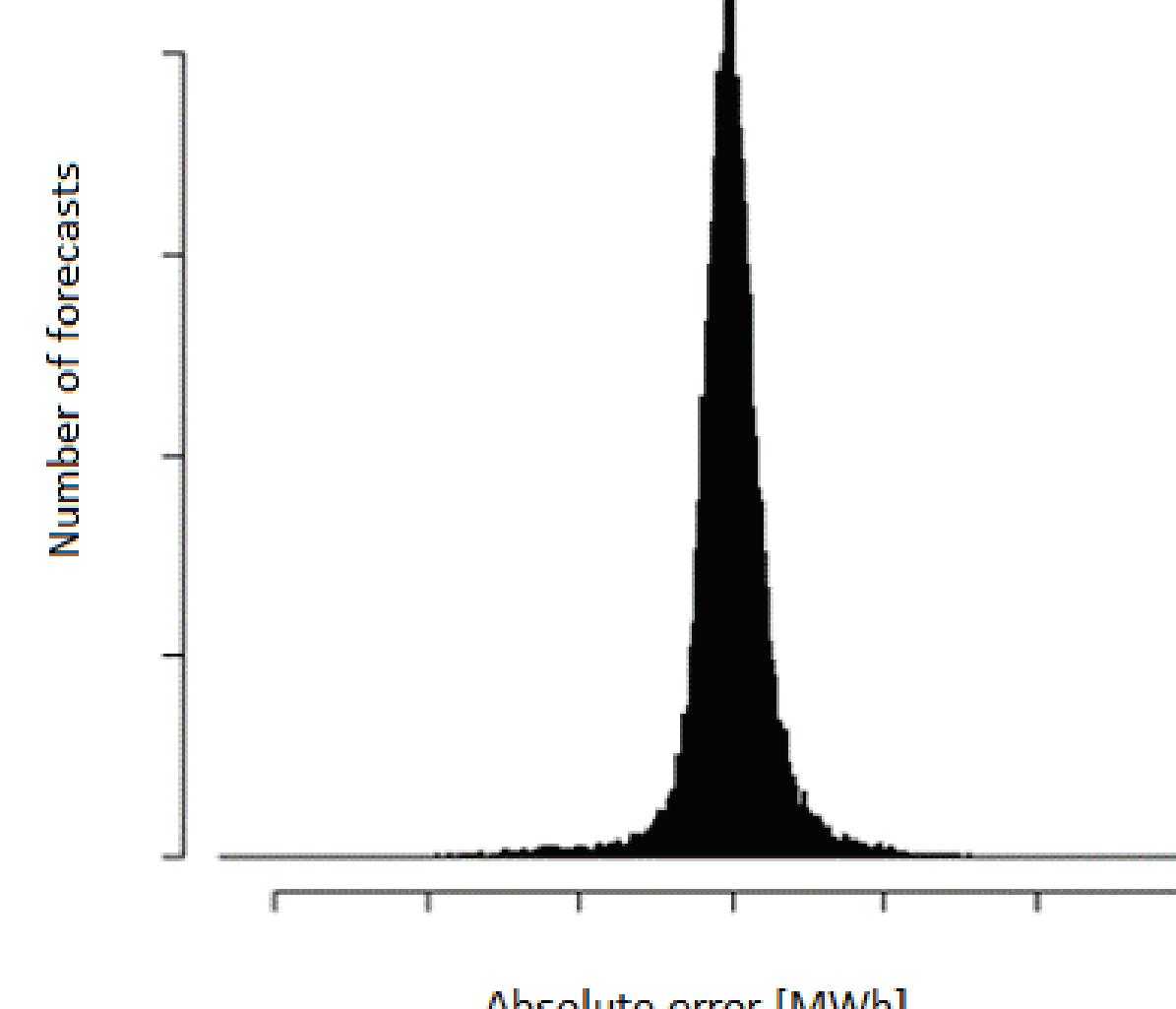
## APPLICATIONS

Cost-benefit analysis of forecasting accuracy models and technologies (sample) for your electricity consumption time series



Market size assessment for forecasting accuracy improving technologies, including smart grid solutions (rough estimates, see further research)

Country	Total consum. [GWh]	Accuracy cost per perc. pt.	Market size per perc. pt. [000 EUR]
Slovenia	14.700	0,07	1.029
Croatia	18.870	0,07	1.321
Hungary	42.570	0,07	2.980
Austria	65.670	0,07	4.597
Italy	307.200	0,07	21.504
Germany	582.500	0,07	40.775



Distribution of number of forecasts realizing specific absolute error [MWh] of forecasts.