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## HVAC System: Load Forecasting, System Modeling, Optimal Control and Flexible Interaction

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As a critical contributor to energy consumption and carbon emissions in buildings and industrial sectors, HVAC systems play a pivotal role in advancing sustainability through enhanced energy conservation and decarbonization capabilities. Driven by advancements in load forecasting, system modeling, and optimal control technologies, HVAC systems are accelerating their transition toward digitized and intelligent operational paradigms. Notably, through deep operational integration with building structures, pipeline networks, and industrial processes, modern HVAC systems are transcending their conventional role as passive energy consumers. By leveraging thermal inertia for flexible grid interaction, these systems are evolving into energy hubs equipped with bidirectional regulation capabilities, marking a fundamental shift from energyintensive operations to dynamic energy management architectures. This Special Issue aims to present and disseminate the most recent advances related to the theory, design, modeling, application, control, and flexible interaction of all types of HVAC systems.

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