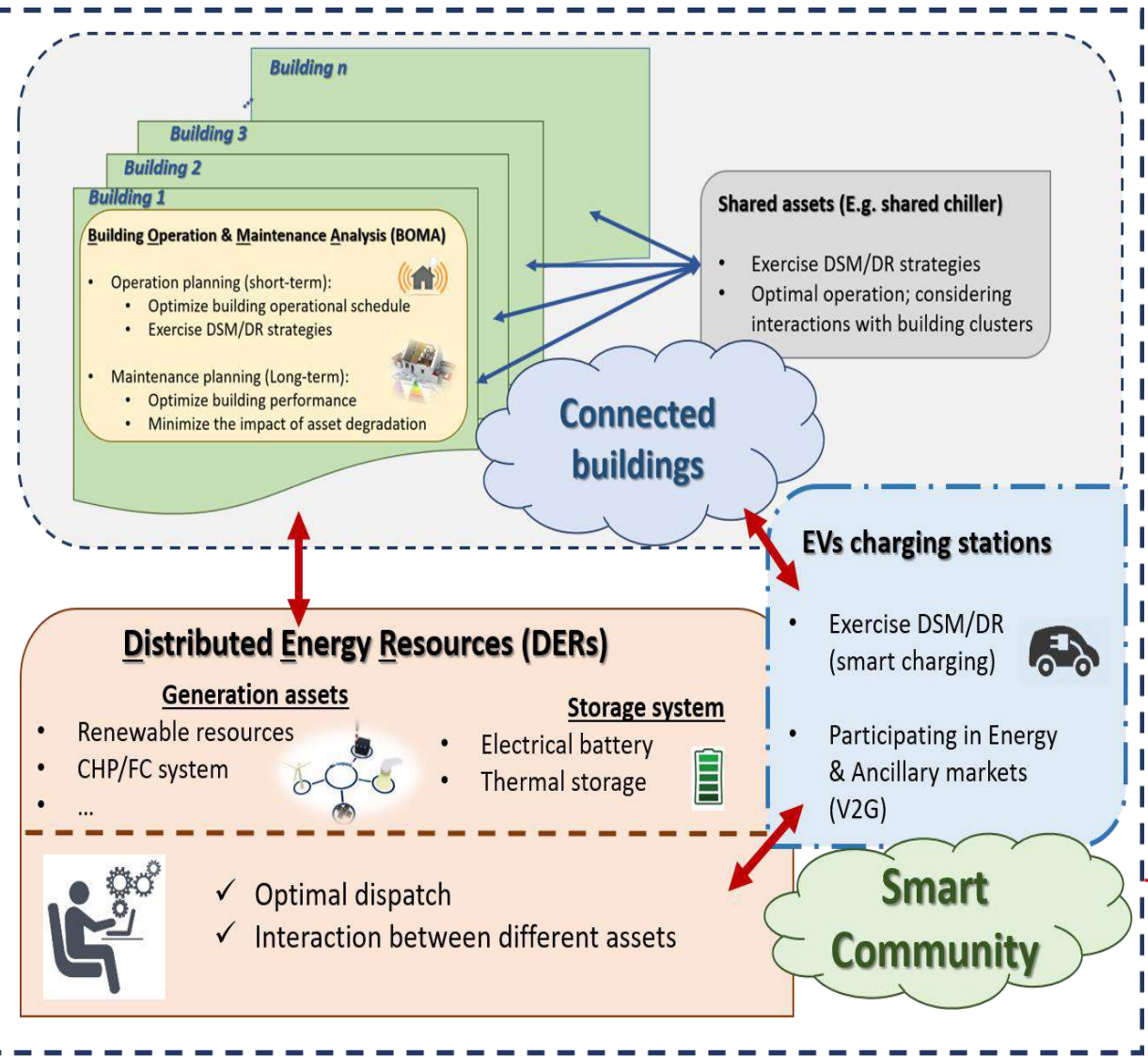


# **RU-LESS**

## Micro-grid Optimal Design and Planning

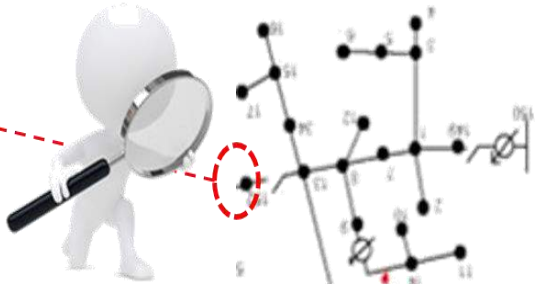


# LESS Optimization and Control Tool-box

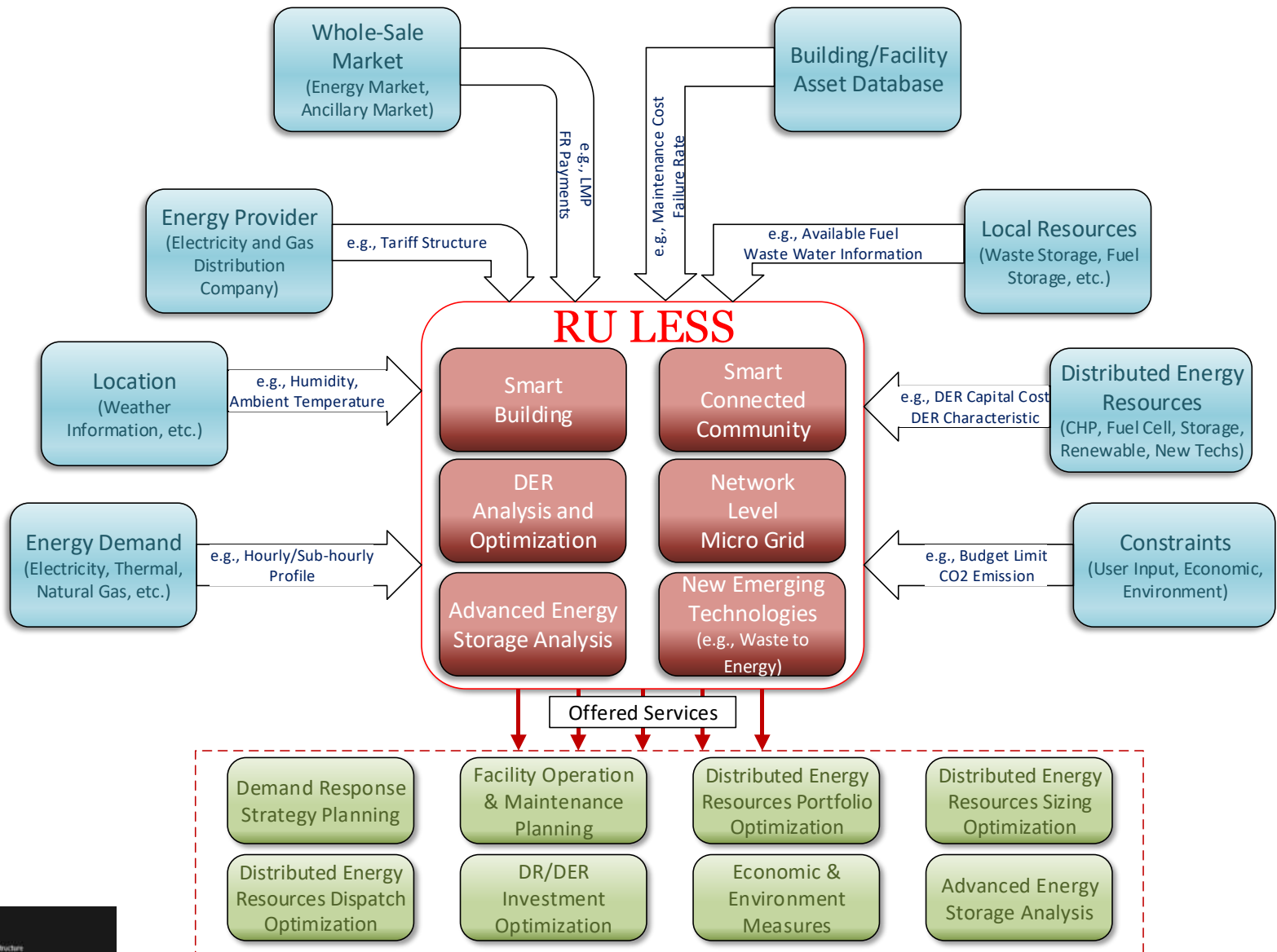


- **Different levels of analytics**

- **Facility level**
  - Load forecasting
  - Load disaggregation
  - Optimal O&M strategies
  - DER evaluation
- **Community level**
  - Smart planning and control
  - DER portfolio optimization
  - Optimal dispatch of DERs
- **Network level**
  - Network-aware planning and control
  - Impact analysis: impact of DERs and DSM strategies on distribution network
  - Optimal location of DGs in distribution network



# RU-LESS Core Modules

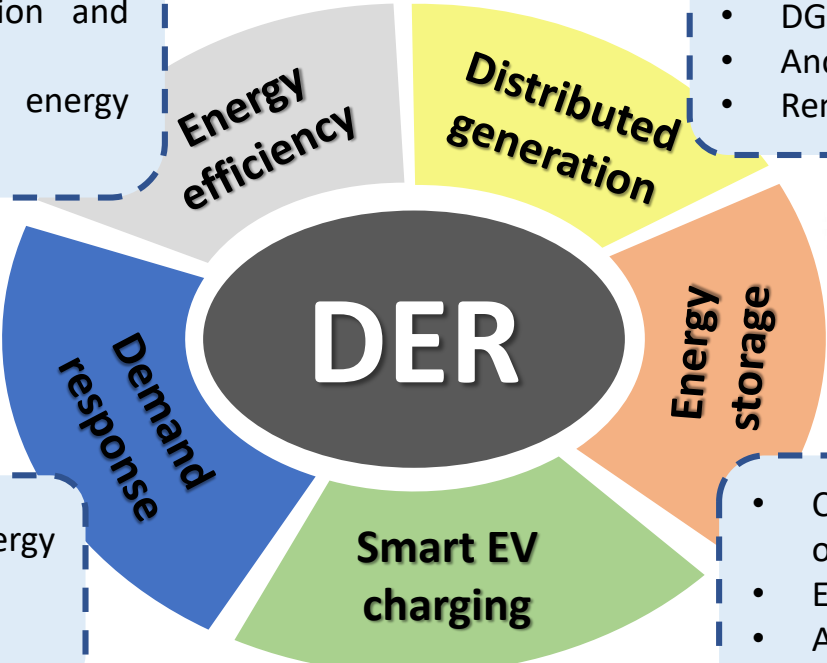


# Distributed Energy Resources (DER)

- Building/Community smart control – Demand Side Management
- Building/Community operation and maintenance planning
- HVAC smart control for energy management purpose



- DG portfolio optimization
- DG optimal dispatch
- Ancillary service participation
- Renewable resources & CHP/FC



- HVAC smart control for energy management purpose
- Demand side management

- Capacity planning for the network of energy storage
- Energy storage optimal dispatch
- Ancillary service participation
- Electric and thermal storage

- EV charging smart control
- Energy market / ancillary service participation (V2G)



# What does RU-LESS offer?

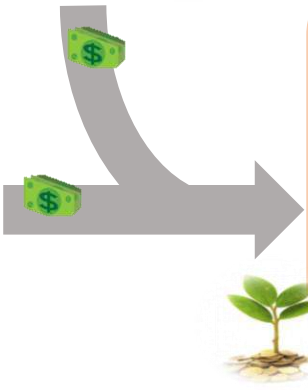
## Demand side management

- **Building smart control**
  - Demand forecast
  - HVAC smart control
  - Lighting smart control
  - EV smart charging
  - Heating / cooling / mobility demand coordination for peak shaving and load balancing purpose
  - Smart material – smart control integration
  - Demand response planning for energy cost reduction
- **Community smart control**
  - Demand coordination among buildings
  - Community operation and maintenance planning for energy efficiency and reliability purpose



## Distributed generation management

- DG portfolio optimization / capacity planning / optimal dispatch
- Energy storage allocation / capacity planning / optimal dispatch
- EV Optimal charge and discharge in the presence of V2G
- Network level power flow analysis
- Emission reduction analysis



## DER revenue sources

- Energy cost reduction
- Demand charge reduction
- Ancillary market credit
  - Frequency regulation
  - Net-metering
- Resiliency improvement
- Advanced cost & benefit analysis

# **RU-LESS**

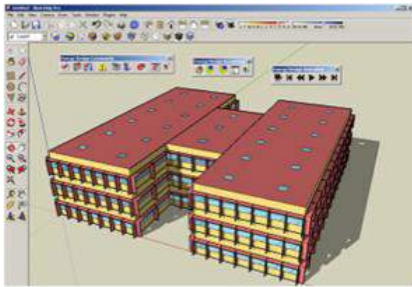
## **sample research projects**

# Load forecasting toolbox– A hybrid (physics + statistics) approach

## Forecasting

12 zones selected

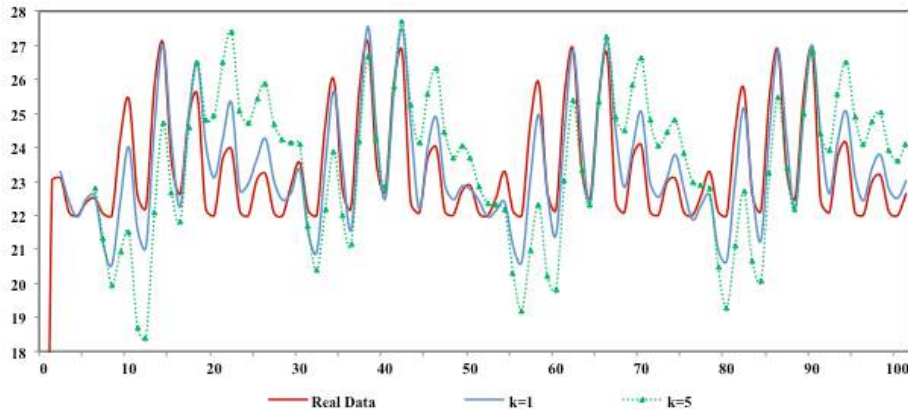
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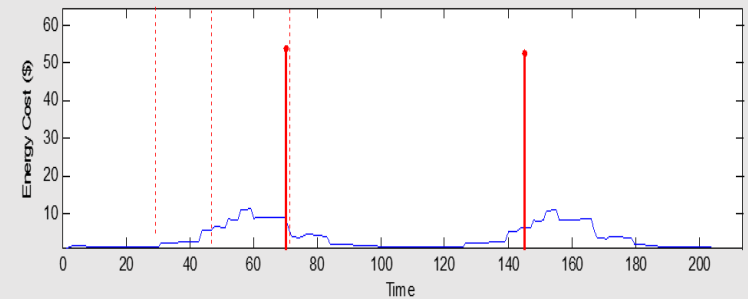
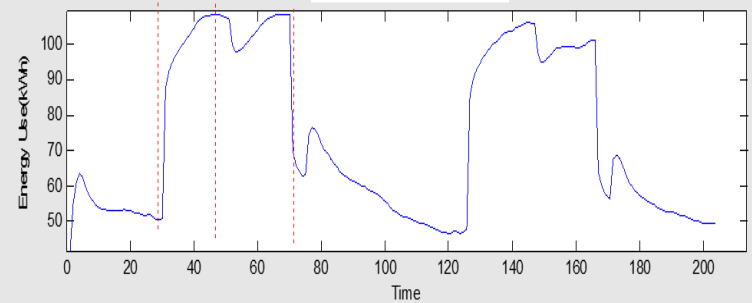
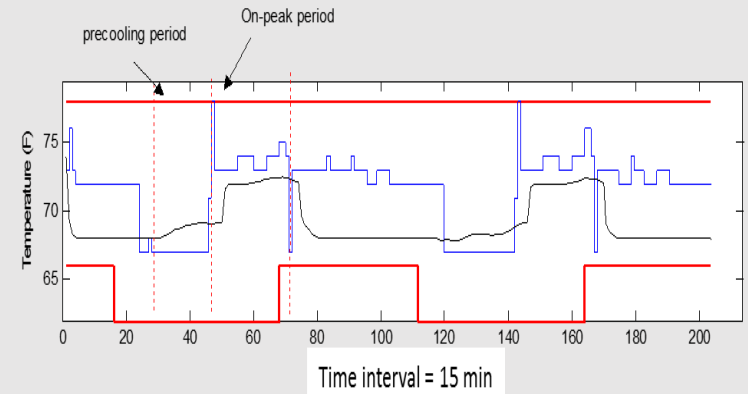
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Standard Model used in  
many researches

$$\hat{T}_{in}^{t+k}(i) = \hat{T}_{in}^{t+k-1}(i) + \hat{\alpha}_t^k R^{t+k-1}(i) + \hat{\beta}_t^k (\hat{T}_{in}^{t+k-1}(i) - \hat{T}_{ext}^{t+k-1}(i))$$



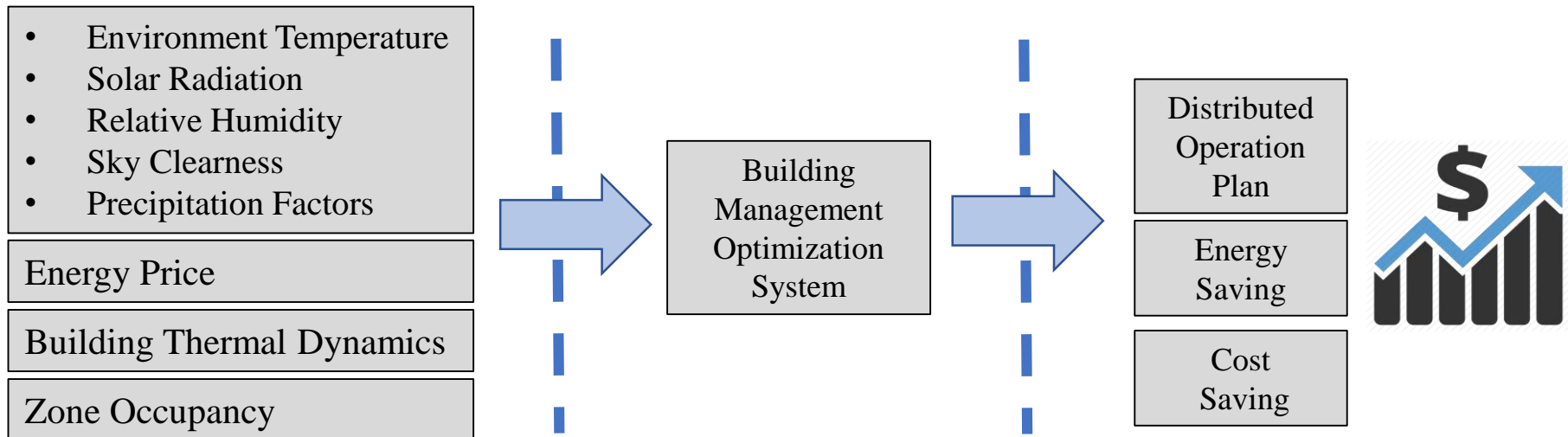
## Optimization & MPC



Time interval = 15 min

# Smart Building

- Building HVAC operation planning based on:
  - Human behavior
  - Building thermal capacity
  - Building thermal response
  - Weather patterns and asset condition
  - Human productivity and comfort level
  - High level control signals (utility/Community operator) for demand side management
- Data driven methods capture human preference/behavior and building thermal attributes
- Combined algorithms for building zone-level distributed control
  - Guaranties comfort/productivity levels for individual zones
  - Effective response to external signals
  - Avoiding from unnecessary HVAC/Lighting consumption





# Smart Connected Community

## Operational planning

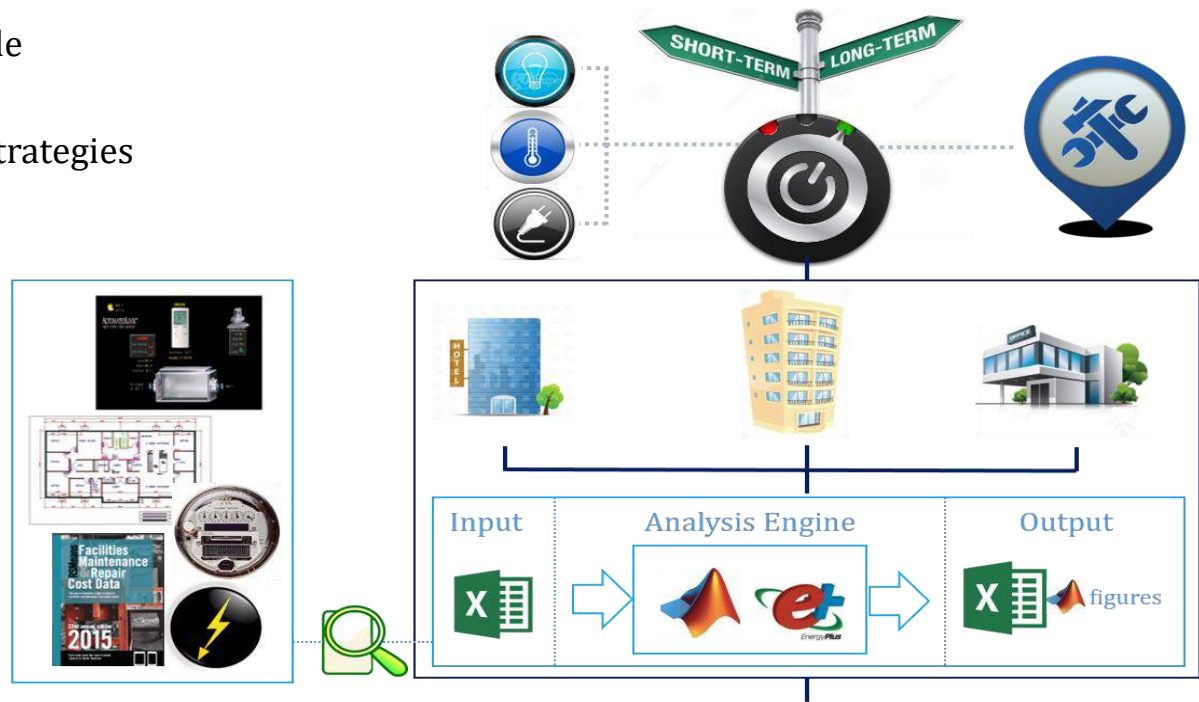
- Estimation of hourly HVAC consumption
- Hourly HVAC set point schedule
- Lighting and equipment schedule
- Load shifting capability
- Evaluation of different control strategies

## Maintenance planning

- Minimizing the impact of asset degradation
- Maximizing building performance
- Minimizing the impact of asset failure

# BOMA

(Building Operation & Maintenance Analyzer)

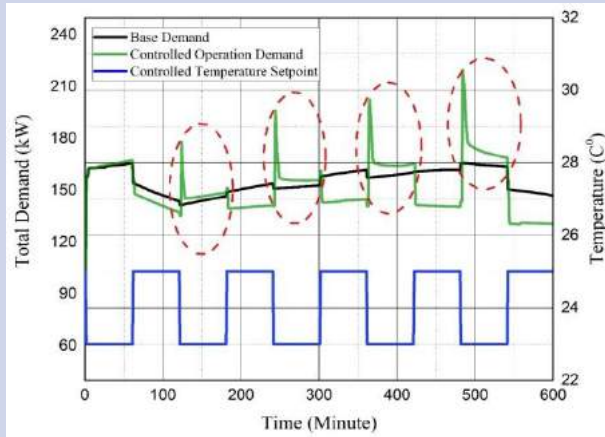


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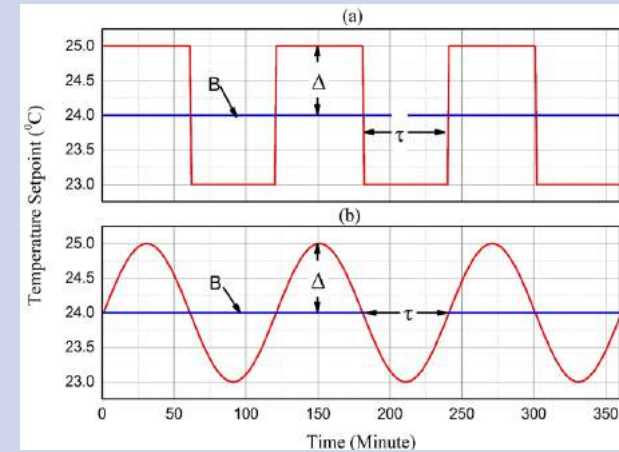


# HVAC Cooperative Operation in Connected Buildings

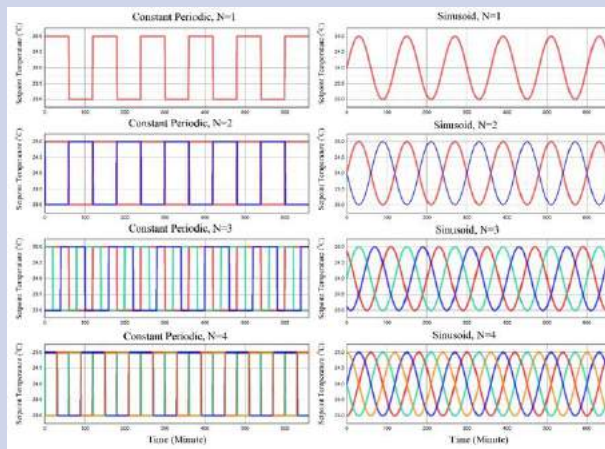
## Using building thermal capacitance



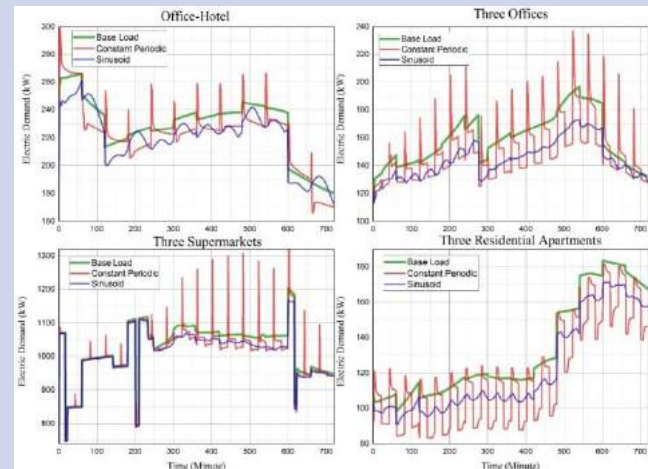
## Periodic Setpoint Scheduling



## Synchronized Operation for Building Clusters



## Saving Opportunities in Connected Buildings

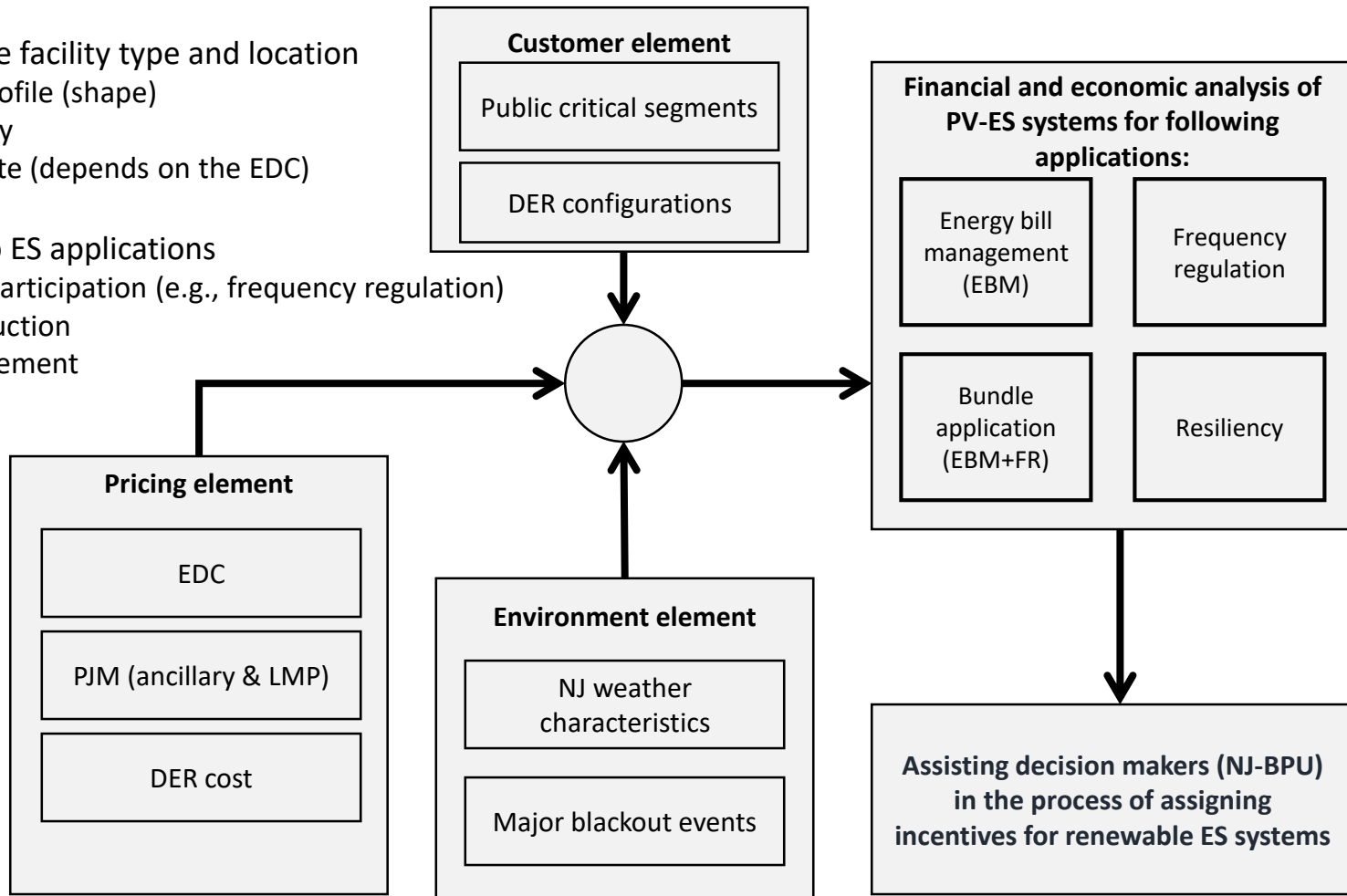


# DER evaluation tool; Energy Storage evaluation for different facilities

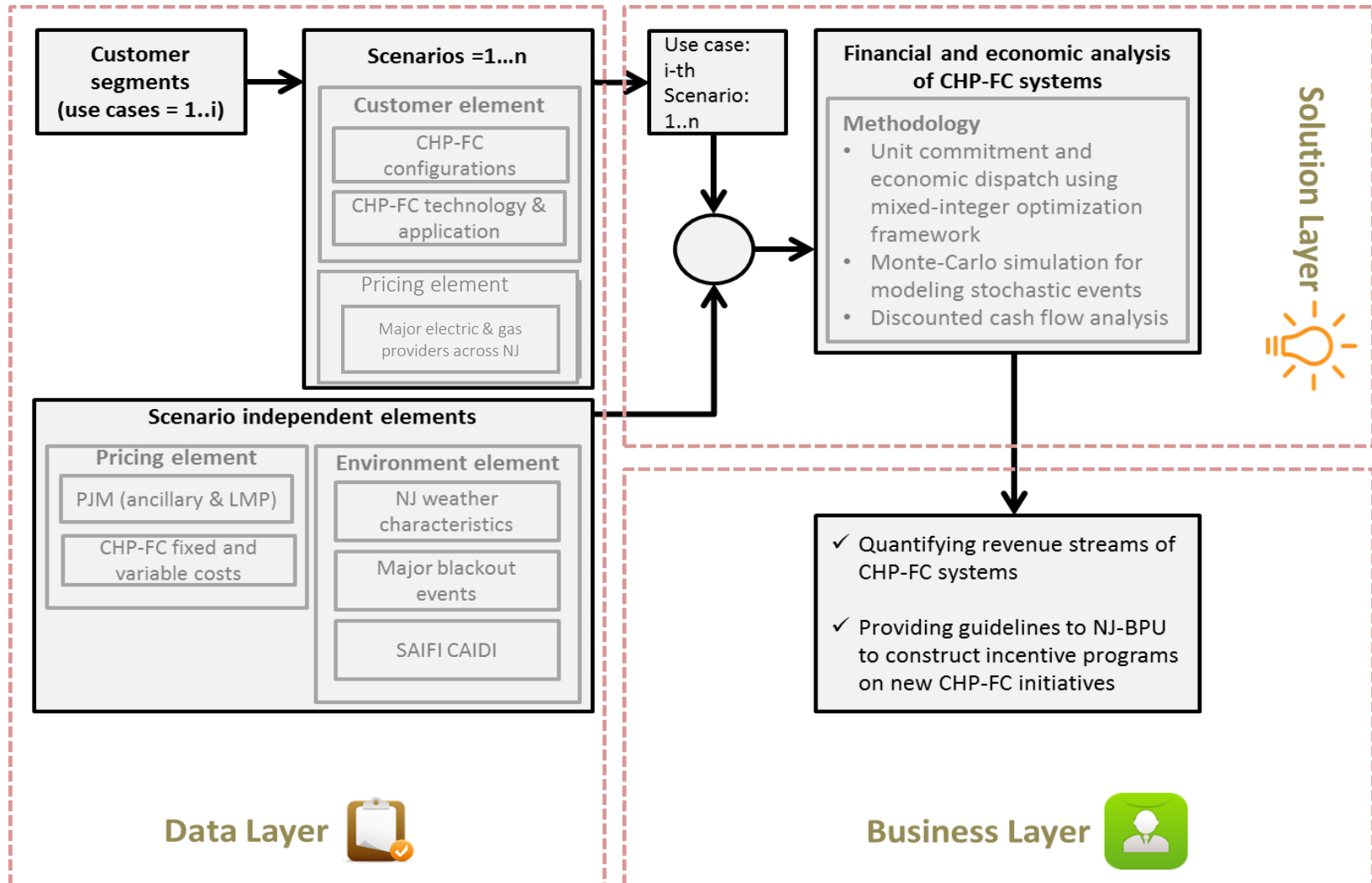
- Evaluation based on the facility type and location
  - Electricity Load profile (shape)
  - Criticality of facility
  - Electricity tariff rate (depends on the EDC)
- Evaluation according to ES applications
  - Ancillary market participation (e.g., frequency regulation)
  - Electricity bill reduction
  - Resiliency Enhancement

**Methodology;**

- Mixed-integer optimization framework for daily economic dispatch
- Monte-Carlo simulation for blackout events
- Discounted cash flow analysis



# DER evaluation tool; CHP/FC evaluation for different facilities



# CHP/FC evaluation tool (User Interface Screen-shot)

The screenshot displays the 'MainFunctionGUIModified' window with the following settings and results:

Parameter	Value
Data	E-Plus
Type of the Building	Hospital
Technology	FC With HR
EDC	PSEG
GDC	PSEG
CHP_FC_MaxOutput	150


**Calculate**

Metric	Value
Energy Cost Saving (\$)	116315.7064
Annual Value (\$/KW)	775.438
Pay Back Period Without ITC (year)	12.2511
Pay Back Period With ITC Without Incentive (year)	8.5758
Pay Back Period With ITC With Incentive (year)	5.9966


# DER portfolio optimization & management

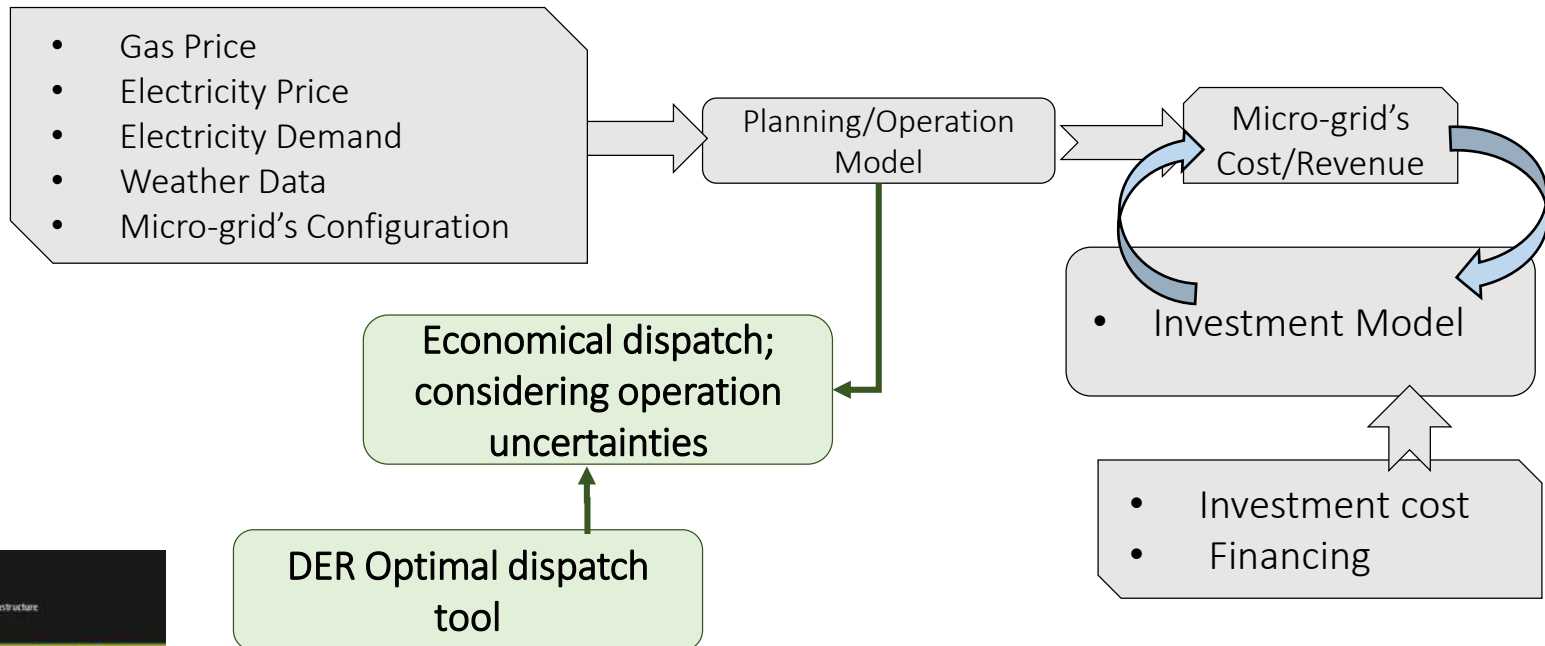
- Advance investment planning using real-option approach
- Portfolio optimization considering different sources of uncertainty
  - Energy price
  - Technology cost
  - Future demand, etc.

- Portfolio
- Gas-fired, PV, Wind Turbine, Energy storage, ...



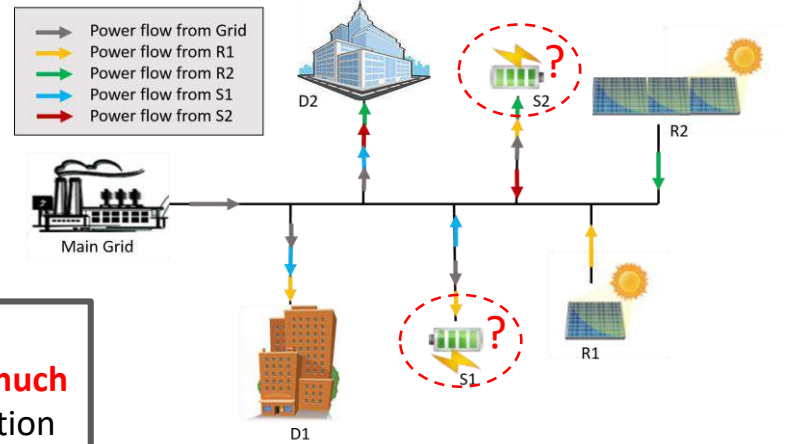
- Uncertainty in Investment
  - Gas price
  - PV and Storage capital cost



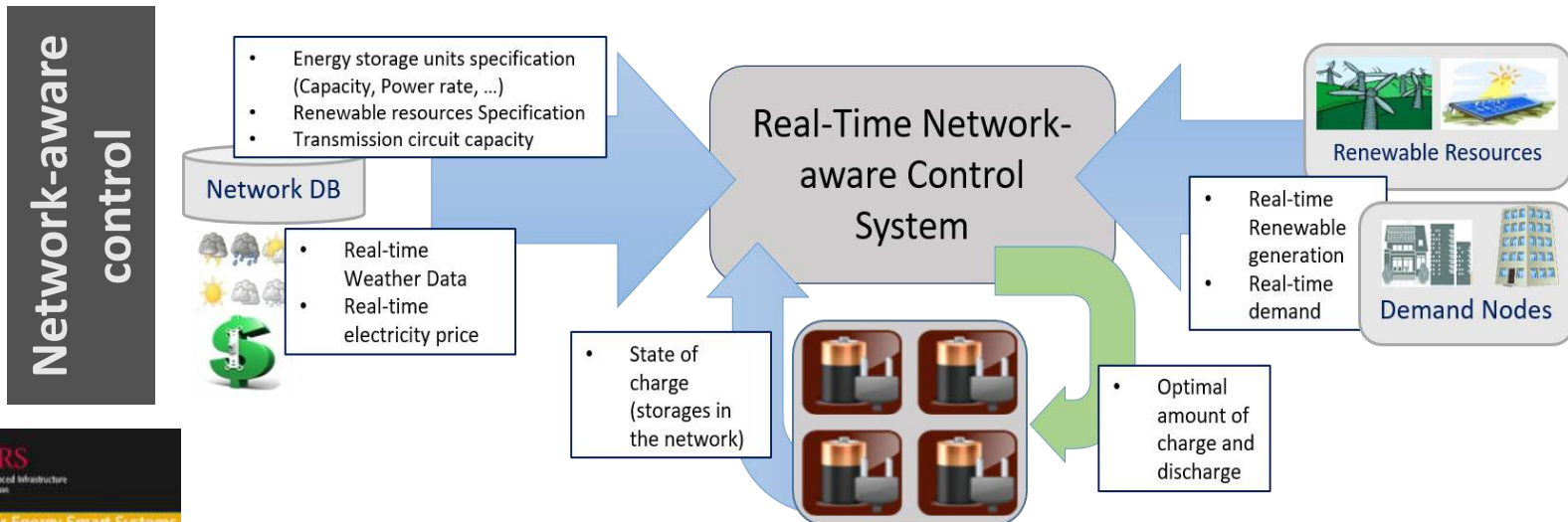


# Energy storage Network-aware planning and control

- Multiple demand nodes
- Multiple renewable energy resources
- Multiple candidate nodes for storage installation

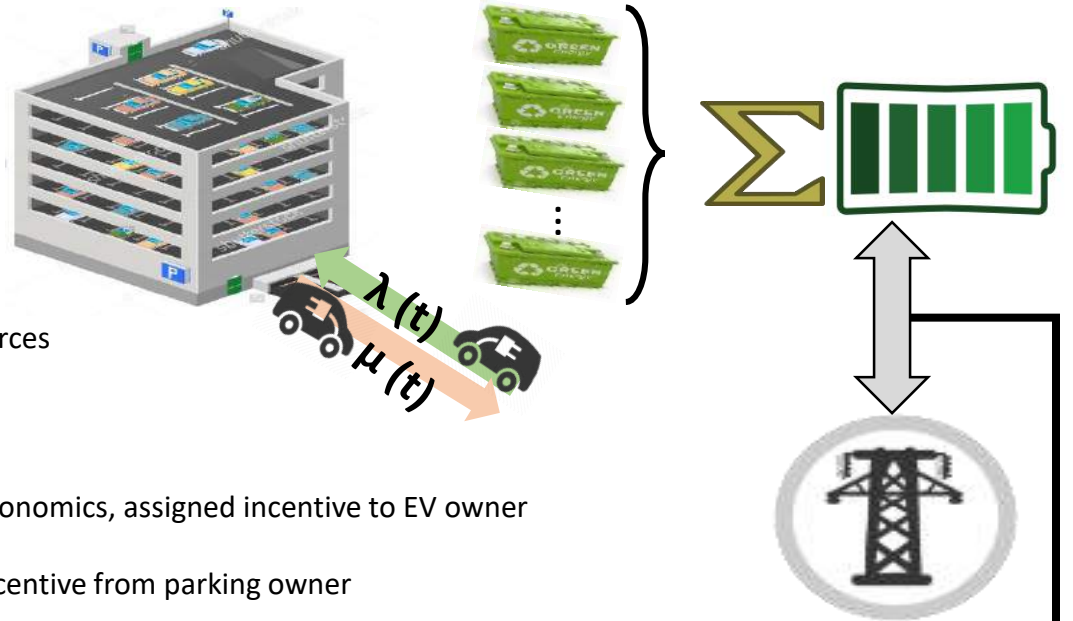


- Capacity planning: **Where to locate** storage systems and **how much capacity to allocate** to each node for optimal sizing and operation

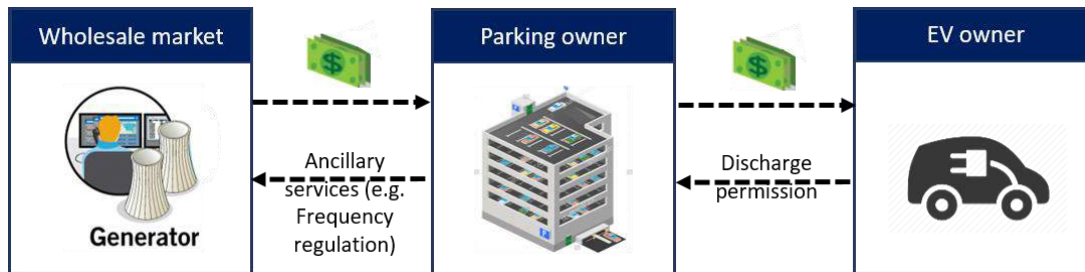


# New Emerging Technologies; Dynamic Storage Analysis (EV Parking Lot)

- Aggregated EVs could be utilized as an electricity resource
- Growth in electrical vehicle (EV) adoption
  - Smart charging infrastructure; DSM opportunity
  - Vehicle-to-grid (V2G) connectivity; electricity resources
- Cost and benefit analysis (CBA)
  - Parking owner perspective: market participation economics, assigned incentive to EV owner
  - EV owner perspective: battery degradation cost, incentive from parking owner



## Business framework



- Participating in different markets:
  - Energy market
  - Ancillary services (e.g. frequency regulation)



***Thank you***