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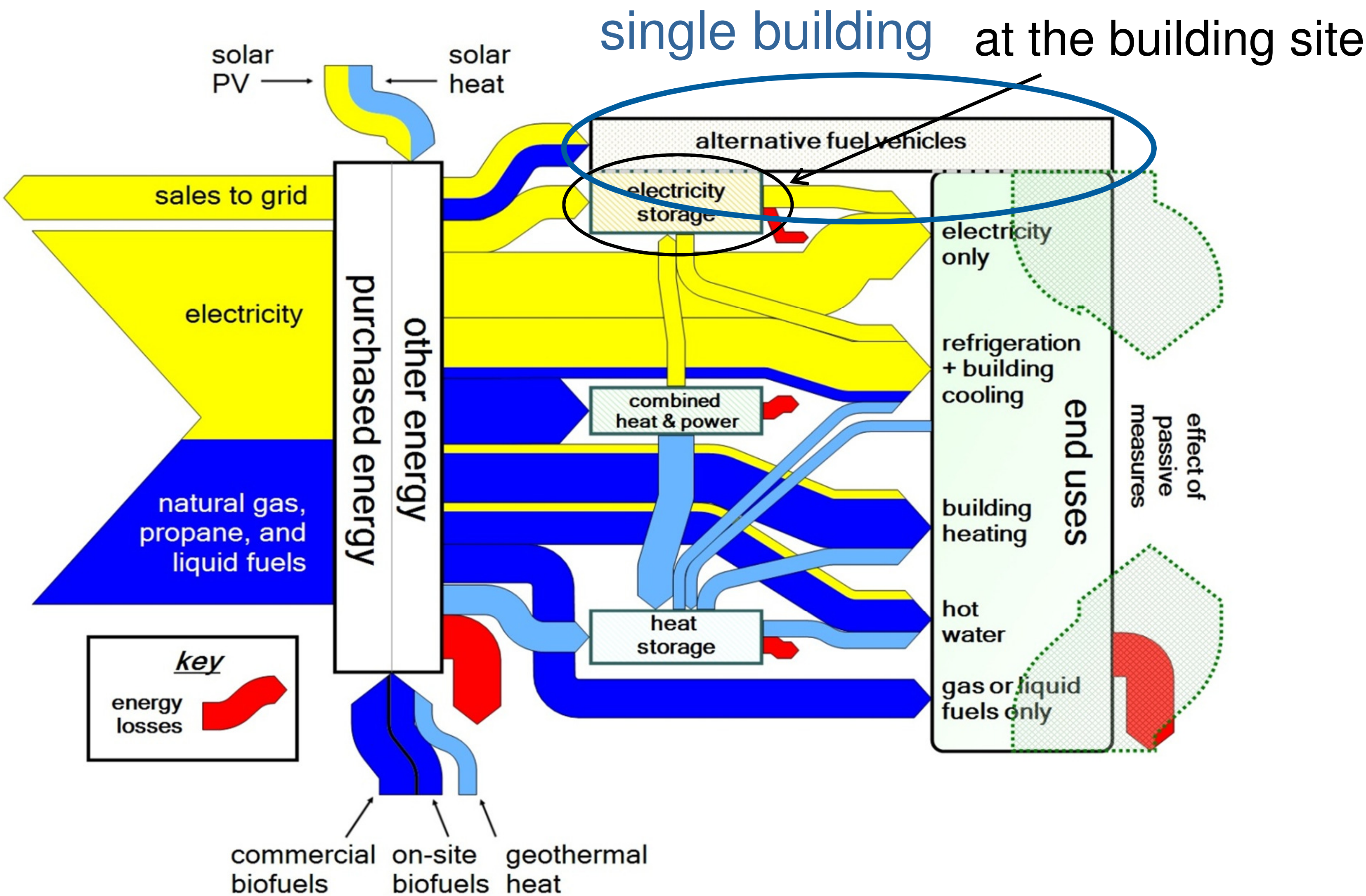
Outline

- global concept of microgrid and electric vehicle (EV) modeling
- Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's Distributed Energy Resources Customer Adoption Model (DER-CAM)
- presentation summary

How does the number of EVs connected to the building change with different optimization goals (cost versus CO_2) ?

- ongoing EV modeling for California: the California commercial end-use survey (CEUS) database, *objective: 138 different typical building - EV connections and benefits*
- detailed analysis for healthcare facility: optimal EV connection at a healthcare facility in southern California
- conclusions

Global concept



The Distributed Energy Resources Customer Adoption Model (DER-CAM)

DER-CAM

- is a deterministic Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP), written in the General Algebraic Modeling System (GAMS®)
- minimizes annual energy costs, CO_2 emissions, or multiple objectives of providing services to a building microgrid
- produces technology neutral pure optimal results, delivers investment decision and operational schedule
- has been designed for more than 9 years by Berkeley Lab and collaborations in the US, Germany, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Japan, and Australia
- first commercialization and real-time optimization steps, e.g. Storage & PV Viability Optimization Web-Service (SVOW), *http://der.lbl.gov/microgrids-lbnl/current-project-storage-viability-website*

Presentation summary

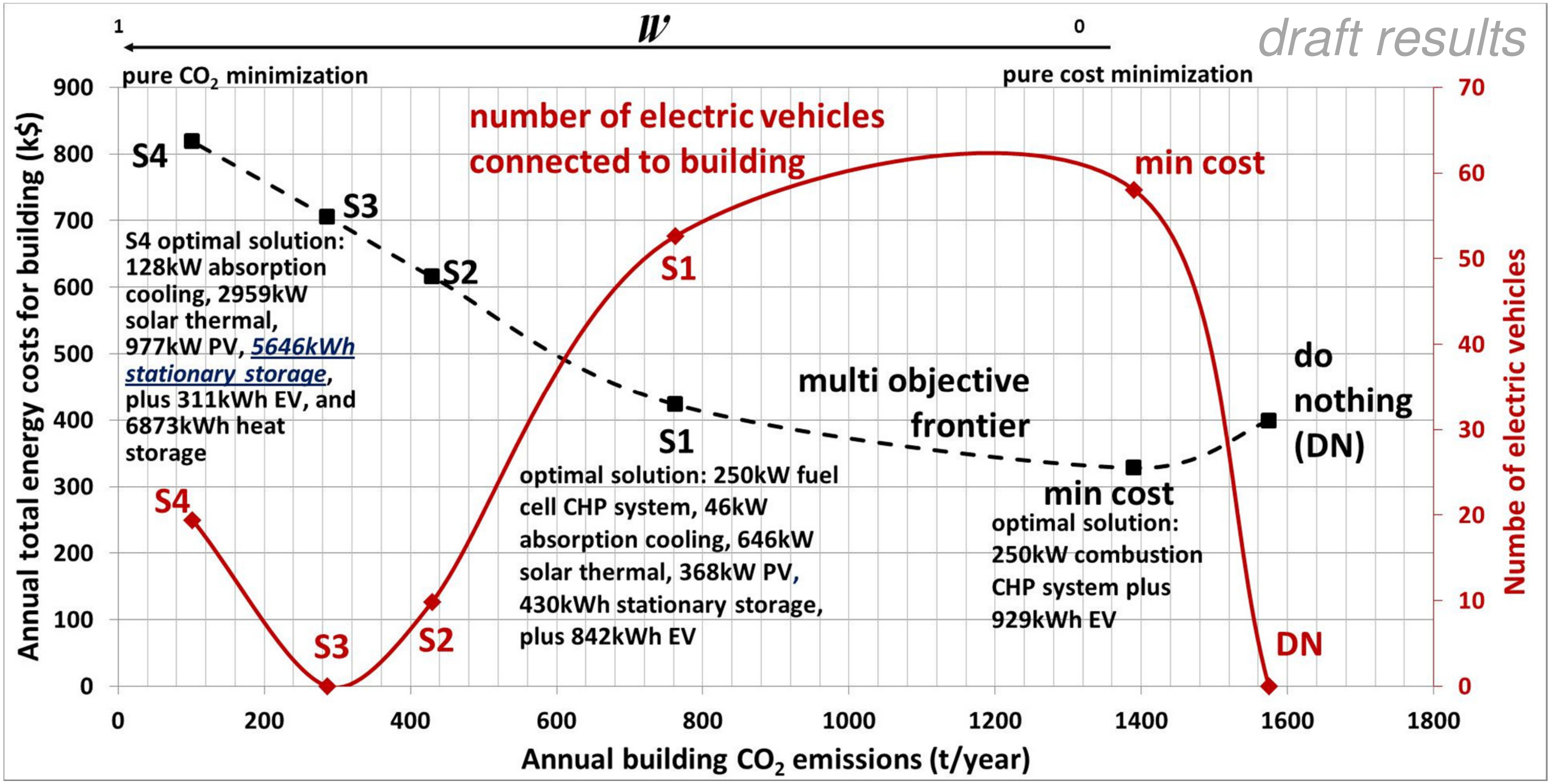
Major Optimization Results for a Healthcare Facility in San Diego Gas and Electric Service Territory

Different optimization goals

Multi-objective frontier (minimize the combination of costs and CO_2 emissions for building)

$$\min\left((1-\omega)\cdot\frac{Cost}{ReferenceCost}+\omega\cdot\frac{CO_2emissons}{ReferenceCO_2emissons}\right)$$

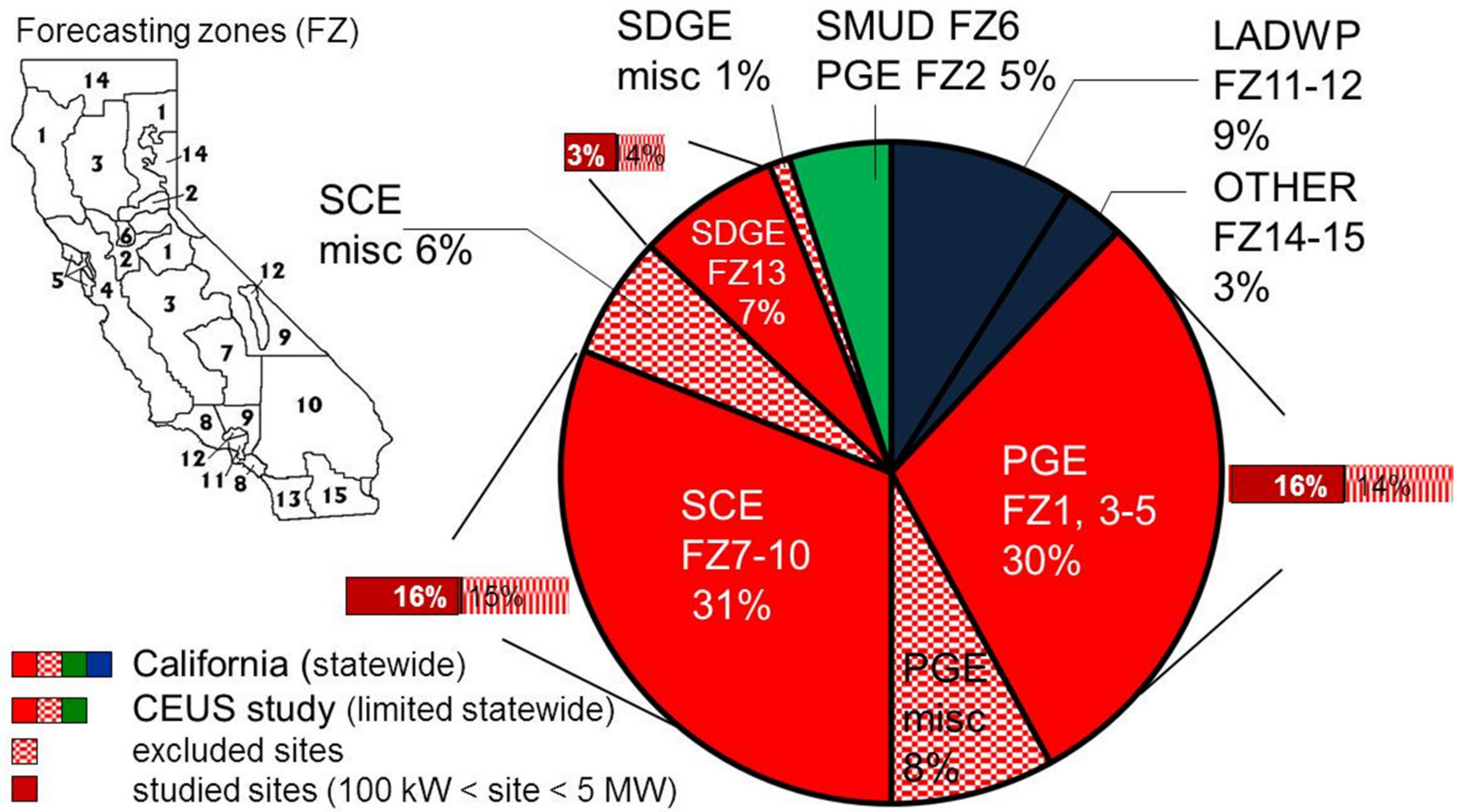
Multi-objective frontier / EVs connected



- ✓ connected EVs reach maximum around “min cost” solution (*w*=0)
- ✓ with increasing *w*: stationary batteries become more attractive to building than EVs → second life of EV batteries?

The California Commercial End-Use Survey (CEUS) Database

CEUS



objective / final EV project goal : EV modeling at 138 buildings[x)] in nine climate zones

x) hospitals, colleges, schools, restaurants, warehouses, retail stores, groceries, offices, and hotels

Detailed analysis for healthcare fac.

2020 Equipment Options, Tariffs, and Building Analyzed

Equipment

- EVs belong to employees/commuters
- EVs can transfer energy to the building and vice versa
- the building energy management system (EMS) can manage (charge/discharge) the EV batteries during connection hours
- EV owner receives exact compensation for battery degradation and energy delivered to the building

EV-building connection period	8am – 5pm
EV-home connection period	7pm – 7am
EV battery state-of-charge (SOC) when arriving at the healthcare facility	73%
EV battery SOC when leaving the healthcare facility	≥32%
EV battery charging efficiency	95.4%
EV battery discharging efficiency	95.4%
EV battery capacity	16 kWh
Maximum EV battery charging rate	0.45 [1/h]

Equipment

- also combined heat and power (CHP), PV, solar thermal, stationary battery, etc. is considered in the analysis

- technology costs in 2020 are based on “Assumptions to the Annual U.S. Energy Outlook”, e.g.
  - fuel cell with heat exchanger: $2220 - $2770/kW, lifetime: 10 years
  - internal combustion engine with heat exchanger: $2180 - $3580/kW, lifetime: 20 years
  - PV: $3237/kW, lifetime: 20 years
  - stationary battery: $193/kWh
  - etc.

Details can be found at “The CO_2 Abatement Potential of California’s Mid-Sized Commercial Buildings.” Michael Stadler, Chris Marnay, Gonçalo Cardoso, Tim Lipman, Olivier Mégel, Srirupa Ganguly, Afzal Siddiqui, and Judy Lai, California Energy Commission, Public Interest Energy Research Program, CEC-500-07-043, 500-99-013, LBNL-3024E, December 2009.

Building / tariffs

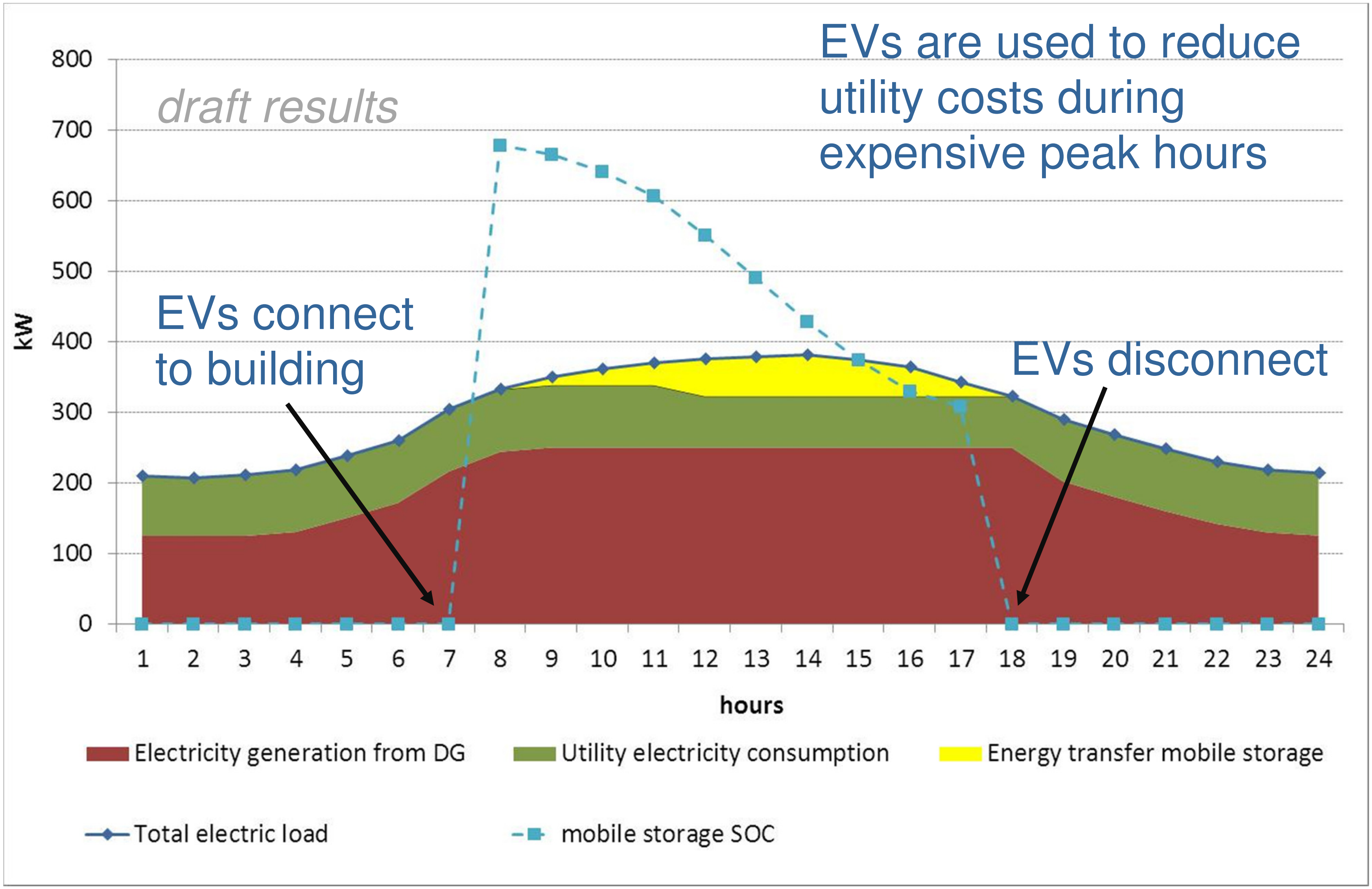
- electricity and gas loads for a San Diego healthcare facility are based on CEUS
  - peak electric demand: 399 kW
  - annual electricity demand: 2.33 GWh
  - annual natural gas consumption: 2.13 GWh (72700 therm)
- TOU rates and demand charges:
  - on-peak electricity up to 0.13 $/kWh
  - off-peak rates around 0.09 $/kWh
  - demand charges up to 12.8 $/kW-month
- electric rate at residences (homes) for EV charging: $0.138/kWh

Detailed analysis for healthcare fac.

Optimization Results for Summer Days

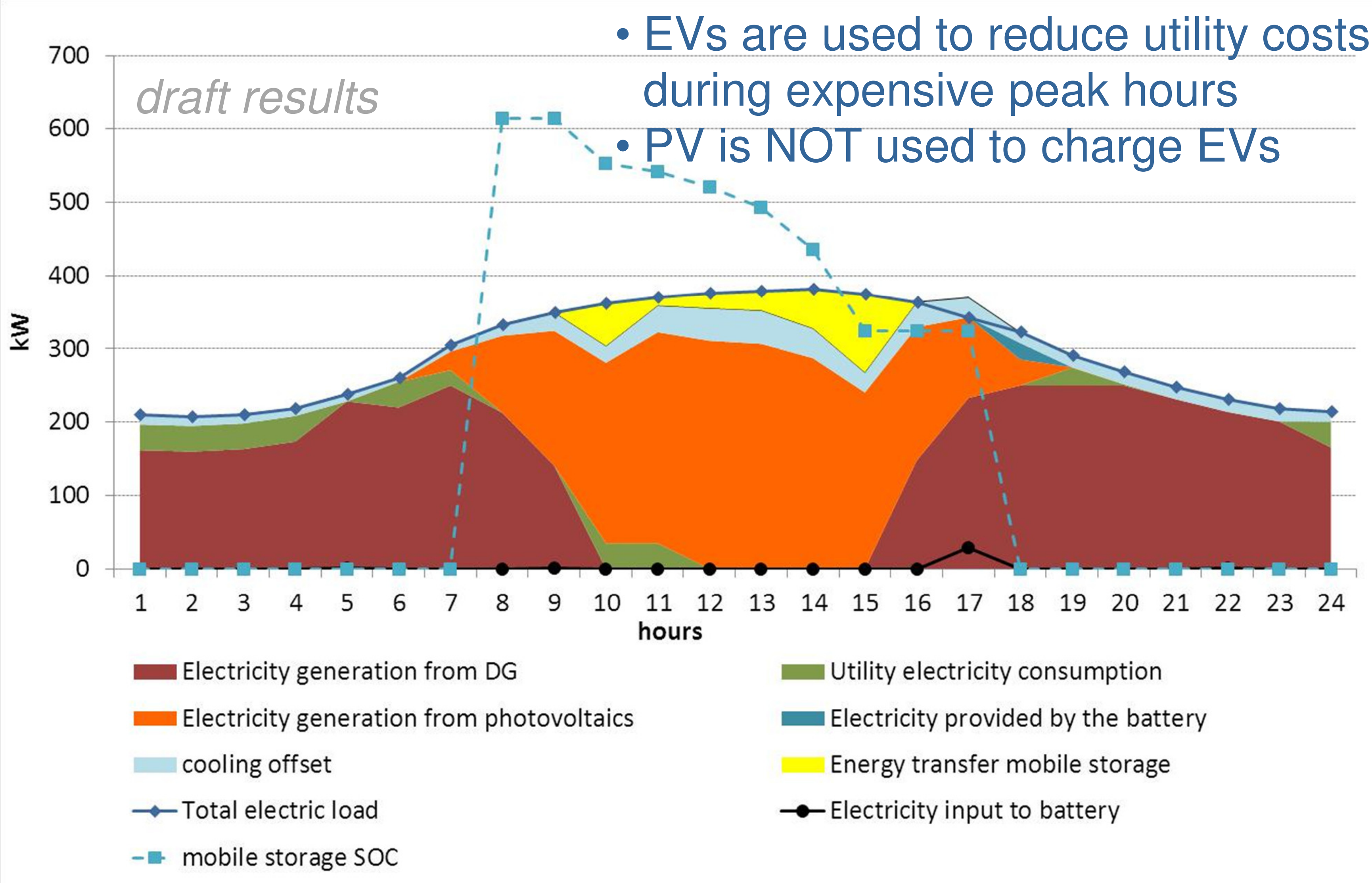
Optimal Investments in DER Technologies and Operation, Optimal EV Discharging / Charging subject to different building strategies

Diurnal electric pattern for min cost

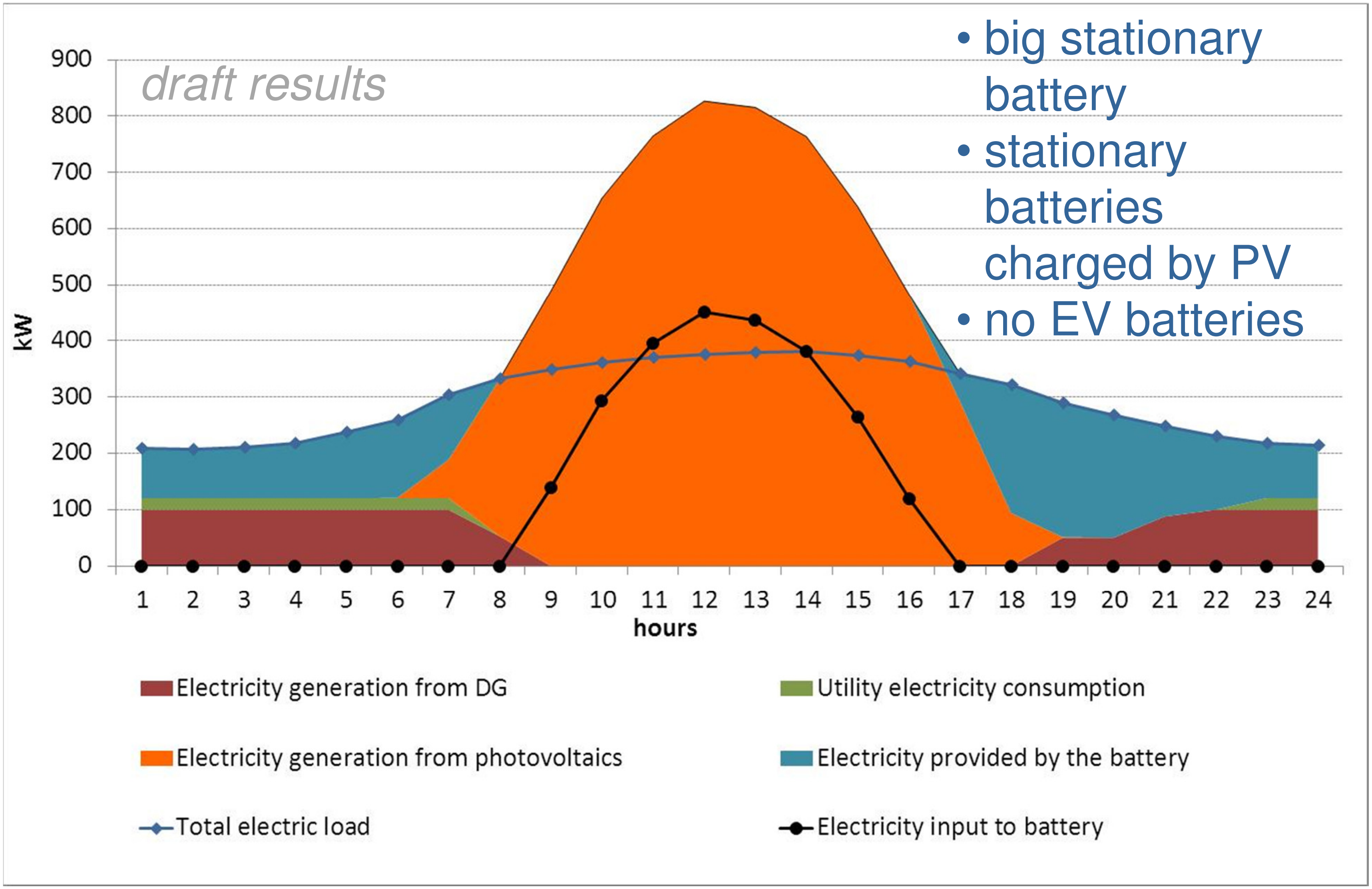


Diurnal electric pattern for point S1

- EVs are used to reduce utility costs during expensive peak hours
- PV is NOT used to charge EVs

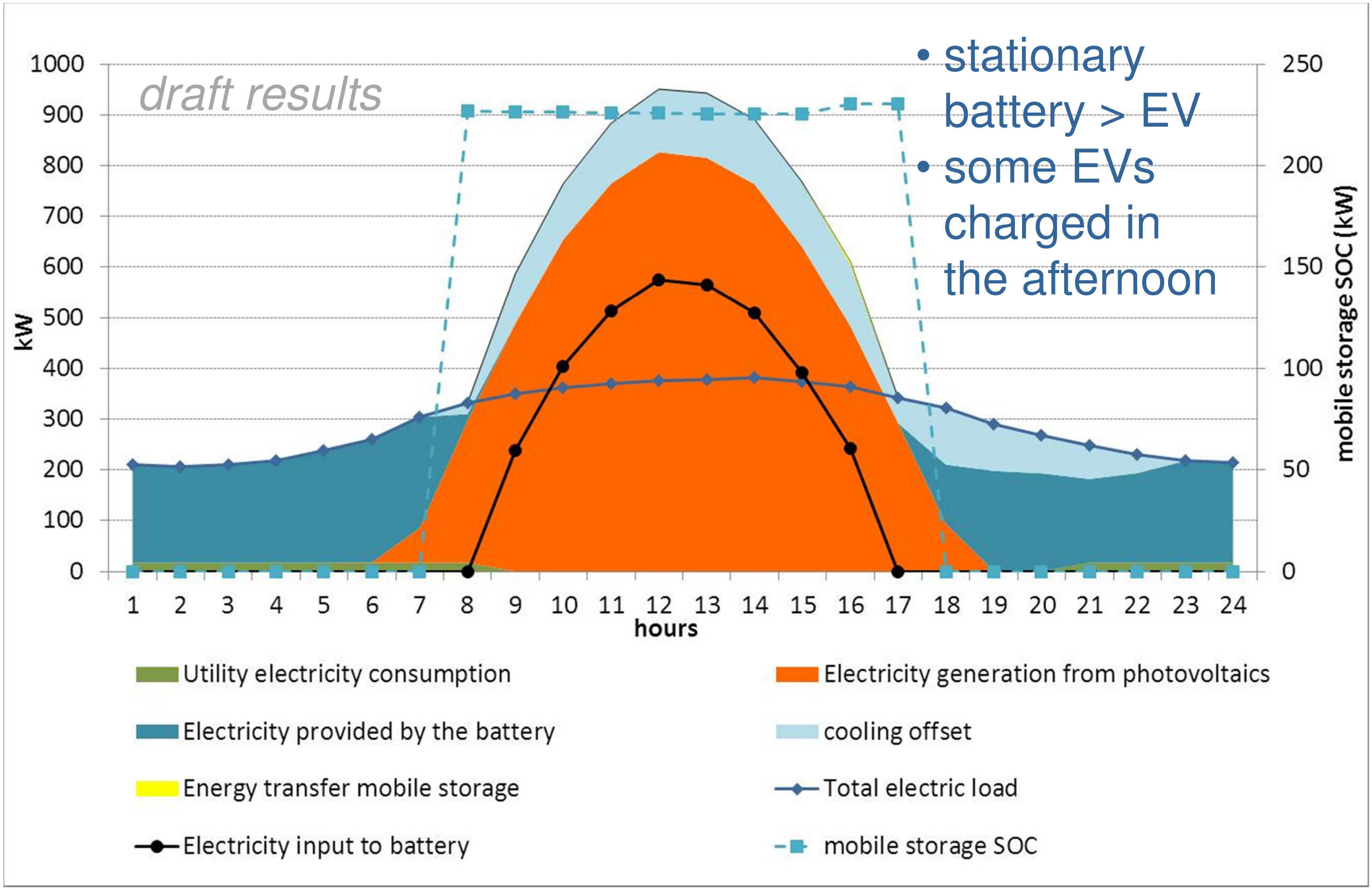


Diurnal electric pattern for point S3



- big stationary battery
- stationary batteries charged by PV
- no EV batteries

Diurnal electric pattern for point S4



- stationary battery > EV
- some EVs charged in the afternoon

Conclusions

Storage conclusions

- EV Charging / discharging pattern mainly depends on the objective of the building (cost versus CO_2)
- performed optimization runs show that stationary batteries are more attractive than mobile storage when putting more focus on CO_2 emissions. Why? Stationary storage is available 24 hours a day for energy management→ more effective
- stationary storage will be charged by PV, mobile only marginally
- results will depend on the considered region and tariff

→ final work will show the results for 138 different buildings in nine different climate zones and three major utility service territories

End

Thank you!

Questions and comments are very welcome.

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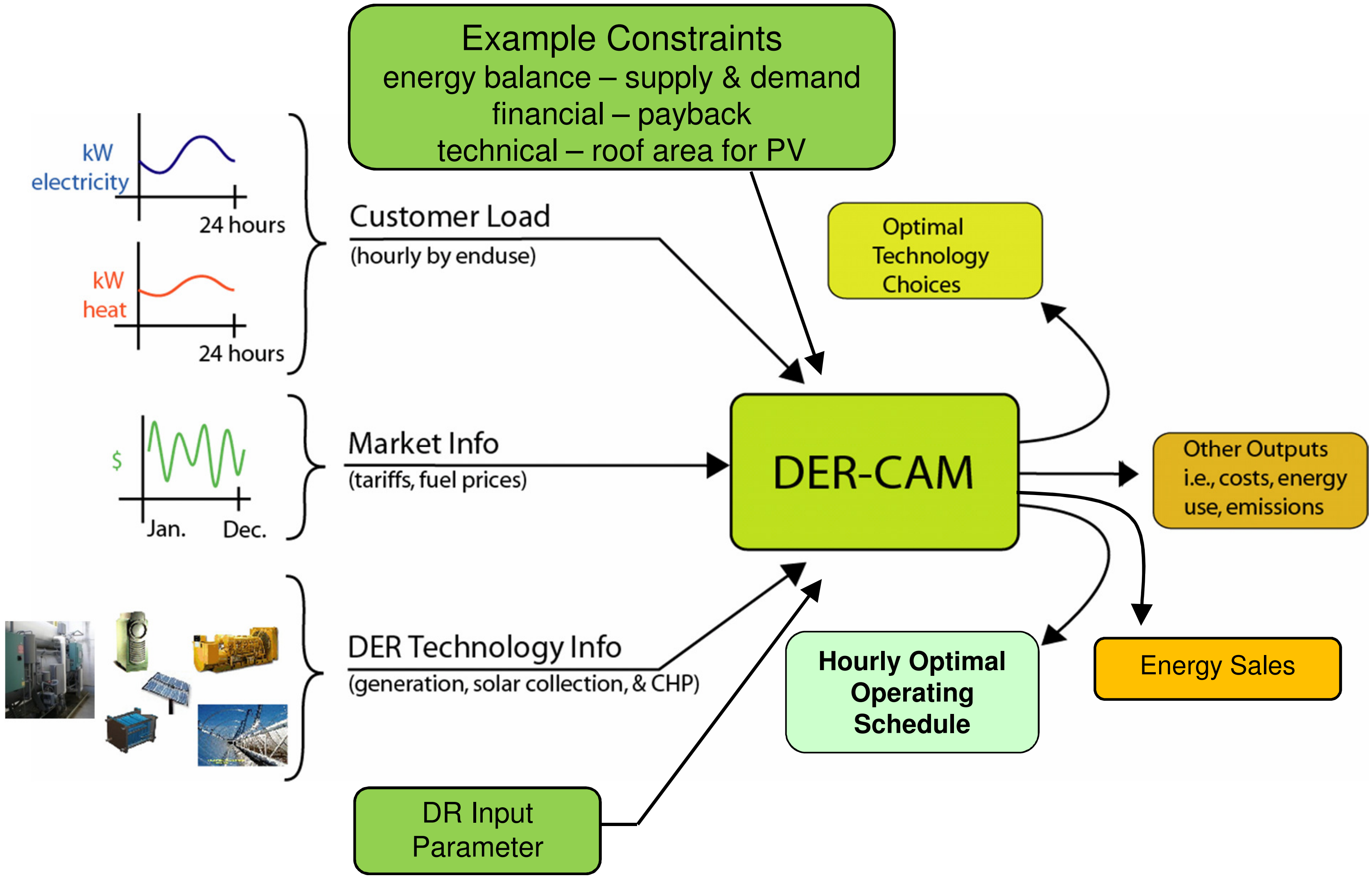
High-level schematic



Representative MILP

Simplified* DER-CAM model

Energy balance
+energy purchase
+energy generated onsite
= onsite demand + energy sales

Operational constraints
-generators, chillers, etc. must operate within performance limits
-heat recovered is limited by generated waste heat
-solar radiation / footprint constraint

Objective function, e.g. min. annual energy bill for a test year:
+energy purchase costs
+*amortized* DER technology capital costs
+annual O&M costs
+ CO_2 costs
- energy sales

Financial constraints
-max. allowed payback period, e.g. 12 years

Regulatory constraints
-minimum efficiency requirement
-emission limits
-CO_2 tax
-CA min. eff. requirement for subsidy and (in future) feed-in tariff
-ZNEB

Storage and DR constraints
-electricity stored is limited by battery size
-heat storage is limited by reservoir size
-max. efficiency potential for heating and electricity

***does not show all constraints**