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The questions

- How much can adding large-scale energy efficiency resource deployment actually delay or avoid new "bricks and mortar" generation resources at the utility system level?
- What happens to dispatch in four geographically representative utility service areas, accounting for transaction behavior?
- How does the emissions profile change in each of the four example utility service areas?



Issues for Energy Efficiency Resources

- Institutional barriers abound for <u>large-scale</u> deployment
 - Compensation model for cost recovery
 - Rate-payer financing of new resources
 - RPS in many states, but no accompanying recovery system
 - What to do in deregulated states?
 - How to acquire LARGE amounts of EE resource? program design
 - Perceptions that favor central station for reliability and risk avoidance
- Market barriers also abound this is just RESIDENTIAL
 - Impose major appliance decisions on consumers
 - Consumer choice versus command and control
 - Rate-payer financed?
 - Mobility of the resource
 - Reliability of the resource



The Model: PROMOD IV by Ventyx

- "PROMOD IV is the industry-leading Fundamental Electric Market Simulation software, incorporating extensive details for understanding generating unit operating characteristics, transmission grid topology and constraints, and market system operations." from the Ventyx website.
- Allows zonal or nodal market (bus level) behavior to be simulated
- Comprehensive database of generators by utility service area
- Database is fully customizable if you have the data
- Visibility at all points of the analysis
- As much or as little summary detail as desired
- Utility system load forecasting and resource acquisition
- Simulates purchases and sales in the wholesale market

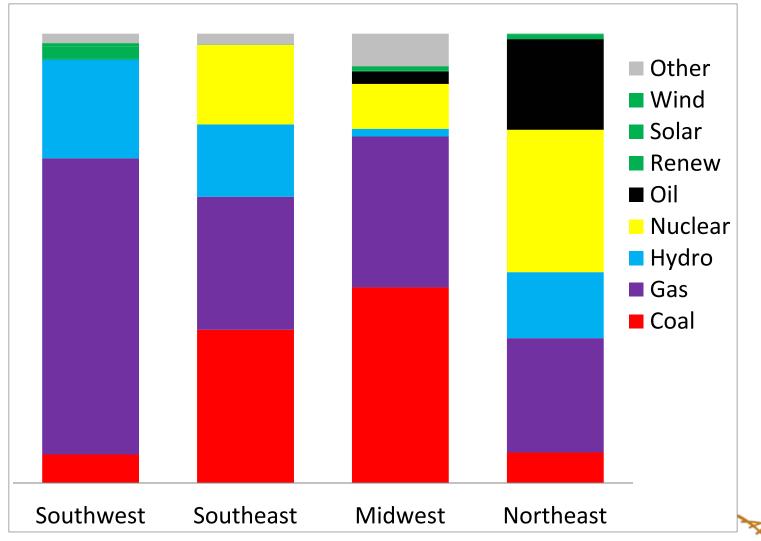


Criteria for Example Utilities

- Large enough to potentially consider new central station baseload
- Diverse fuel and technology mix of generation resources
- Geographically representative
- Regulated, no merchant generation
- Load forecasts are available



Example Utilities: 2010 Installed Capacity by Fuel



Source: Ventyx PowerBase

Implementation Assumptions

- Utility can finance (and recover) costs of acquisition and installation of new major appliances for upwards of 500,000 residences or more
- Appliance upgrades would meet current Energy Star labeling criteria
- "Project" budget would be set at \$3-4 billion (overnight) and require a 10-year build-out, similar to a large central station power plant
- Adequate supply of installers and inspectors could be trained and available to support the build out
- Volume purchase contracts with manufacturers would be implemented and annual unit installation goals would be met.
- Annual maintenance program to recommission

Residential Measures Applied

- Current Energy Star-compliant models installed across residential customer base
 - CFL Lighting
 - Refrigerator
 - Stove, Range, Oven
 - Water heater
 - HVAC unit
 - Television
- Allowance for unrealizable installations or previous adopters
- Allowance for measure degradation
- Stock accounting to 2020 only



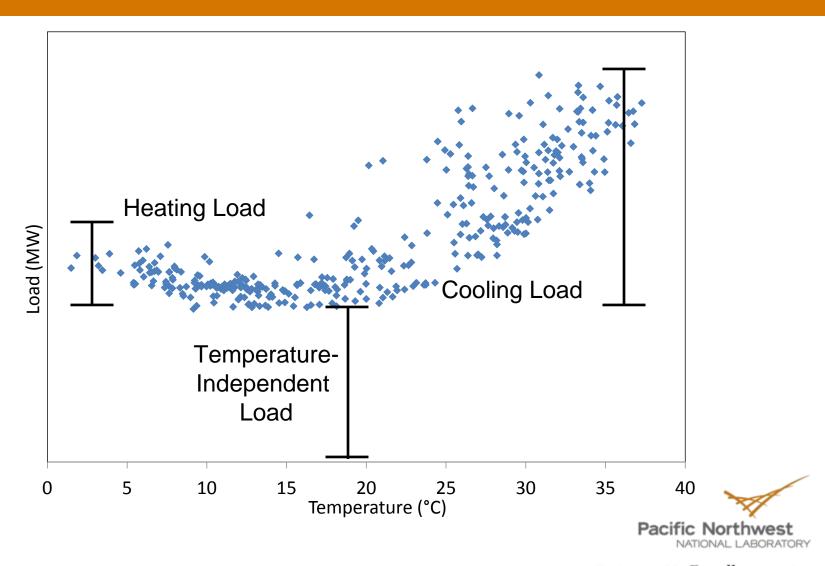
The Model: Getting Residential Loads Right

Extract hourly system load from PROMOD IV

Split residential out by its share of consumption

Use TMY data to determine the temperature-sensitive residential load (HVAC)

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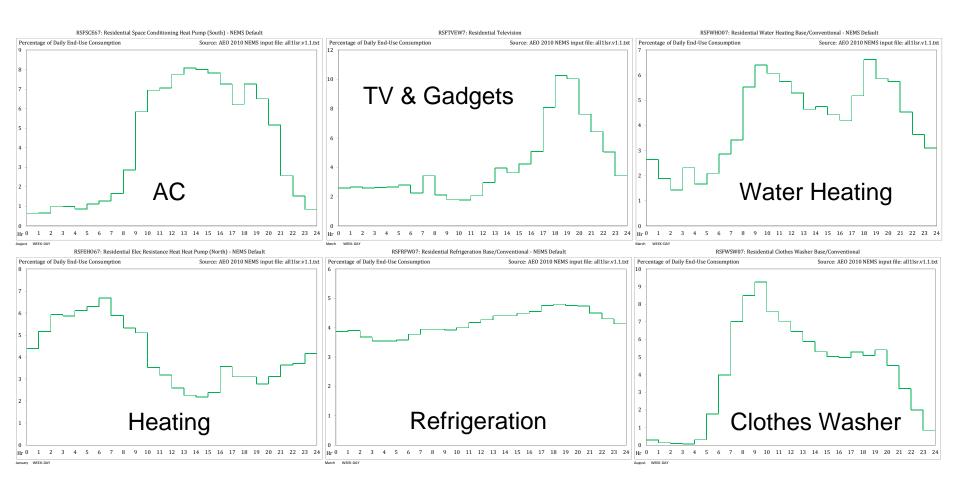
Start with EIA's National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) end-use load curves

Scale by energy use and saturation of each appliance, according to the California Residential Appliance Saturation Survey (CA-RASS)

Scale all load curves so that allocated total equals non-temperature-dependent total

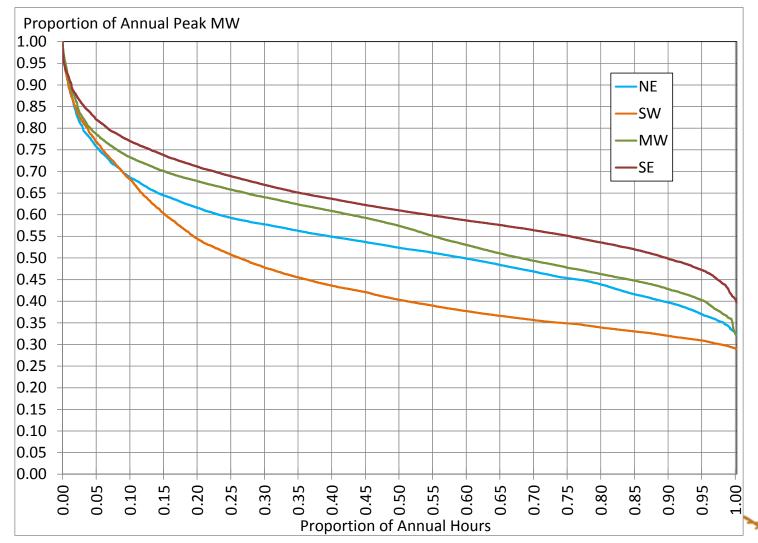


End Use Load Shapes: Some Examples





Load Duration Curves for Example Utilities



Modeling 2020 Savings

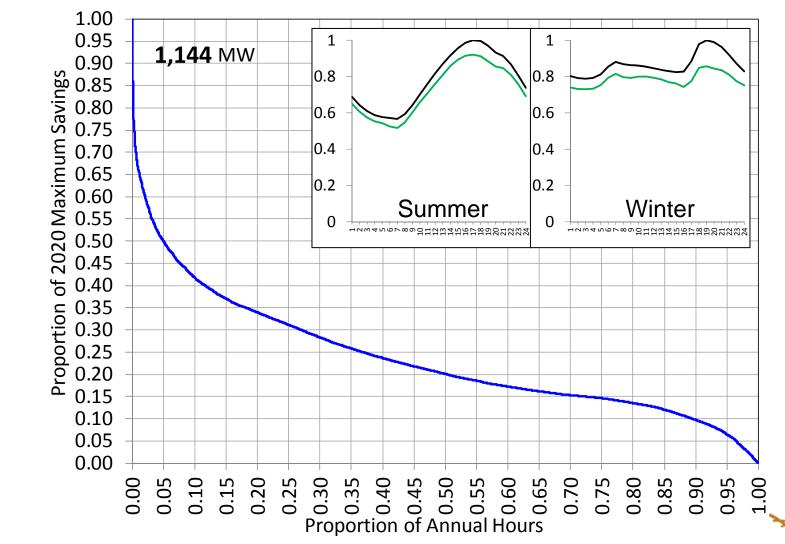
Estimate annual implementation effects on total system hourly load forecast

Feed revised annual hourly system loads for 2011-2020 to PROMOD

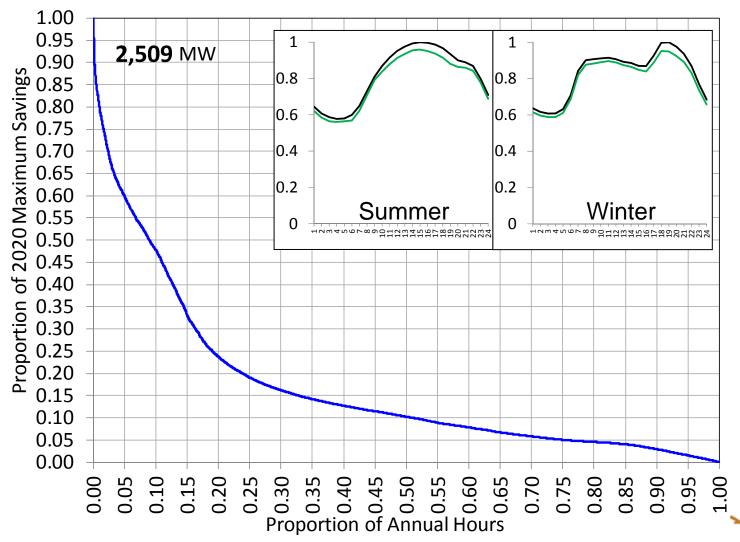
Summarize impacts for 2020



Savings Duration: Southwest Example

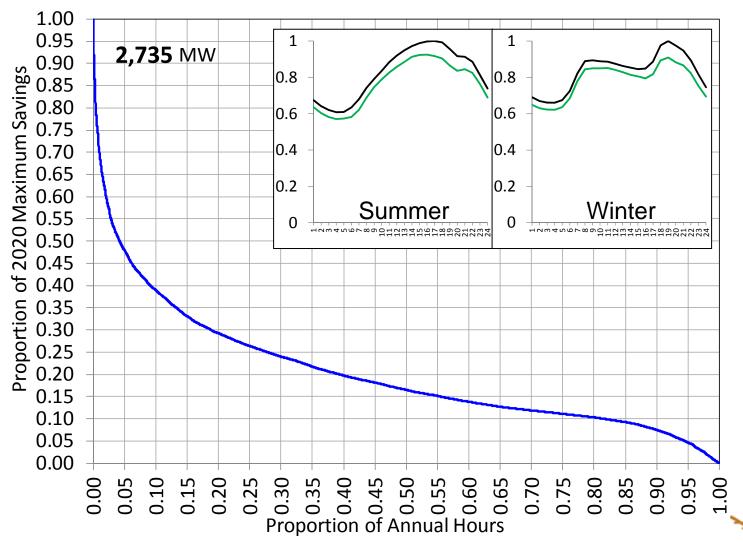


Savings Duration: Midwest Example

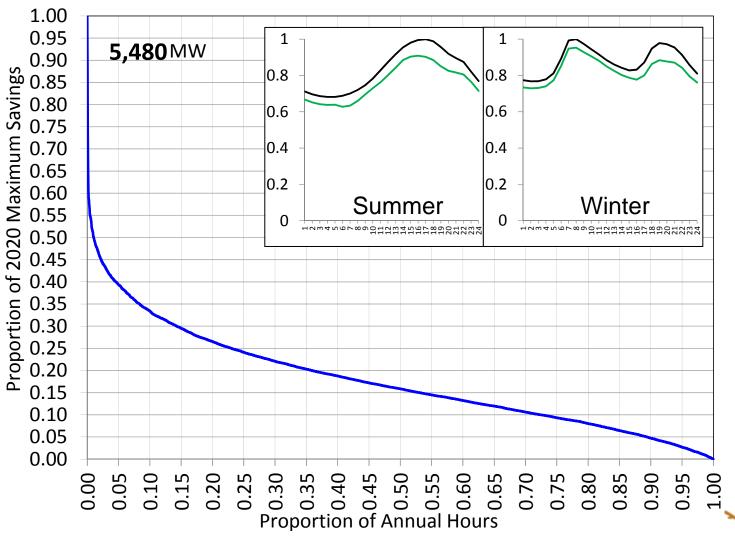


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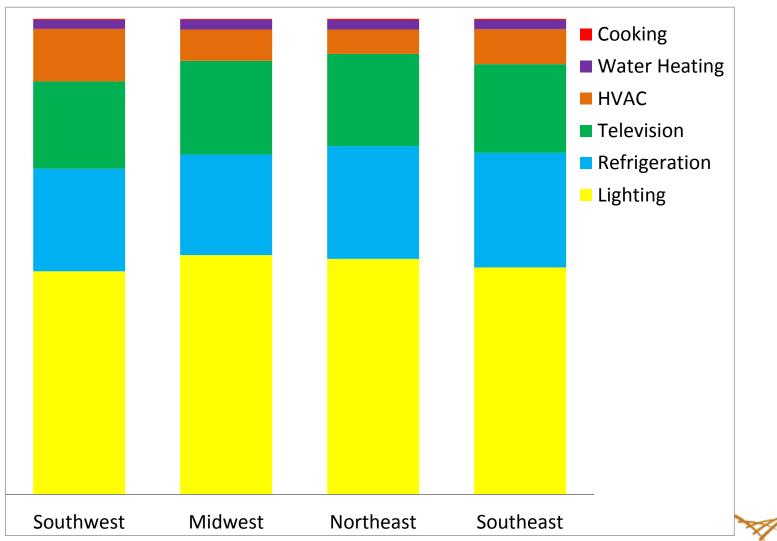
Savings Duration: Northeast Example



Savings Duration: Southeast Example



Savings Proportions by End Use

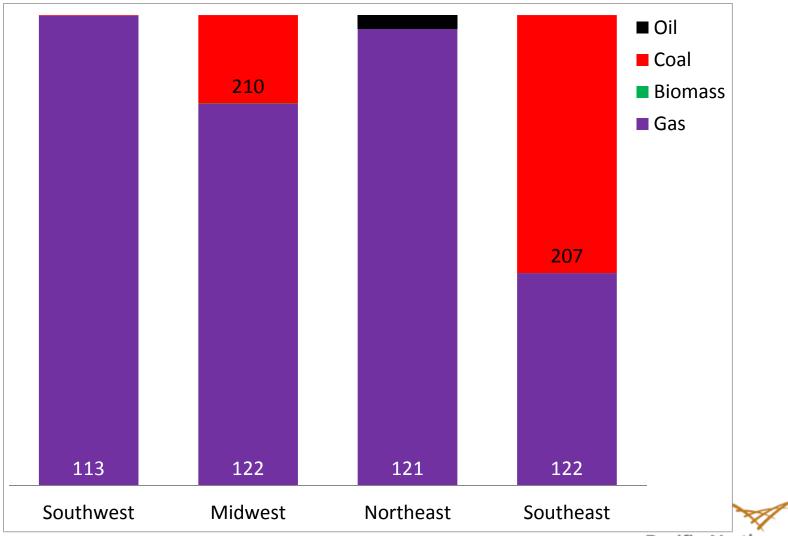


Results Summary

Example Utility	2020 Peak-Hr MW % Savings	2020 Mean Savings Capacity Factor	2020 MWh % Savings	2020 Net change in Transactions MWh (%)	2020 Carbon Savings %
Southwest	11.9	23.3	6.8	17.2	1.8
Midwest	24.9	11.8	3.1	19.9	0.6
Northeast	27.6	18.3	7.6	28.9	3.9
Southeast	9.4	17.7	2.9	2.4	2.0



Relative Carbon Emissions Savings by Fuel



(CO₂ lbs/MMBTU)

Conclusions and Discussion

- Large-scale (\$3-4 Billion) acquisition of efficiency provides baseload savings in 2020 during 70-75 percent of the year for utilities that might afford it
- Baseload savings amount to 5-15% of maximum hourly savings (150-500 MW in the example utilities)
- Modeling shows that utilities will sell excess generation saved by efficiency when possible – reducing savings
- Starting point of load forecast matters results vary widely depending on forecast trends
- Barriers to large-scale acquisition are significant, but worth discussing and analyzing
- Next up: Commercial sector



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