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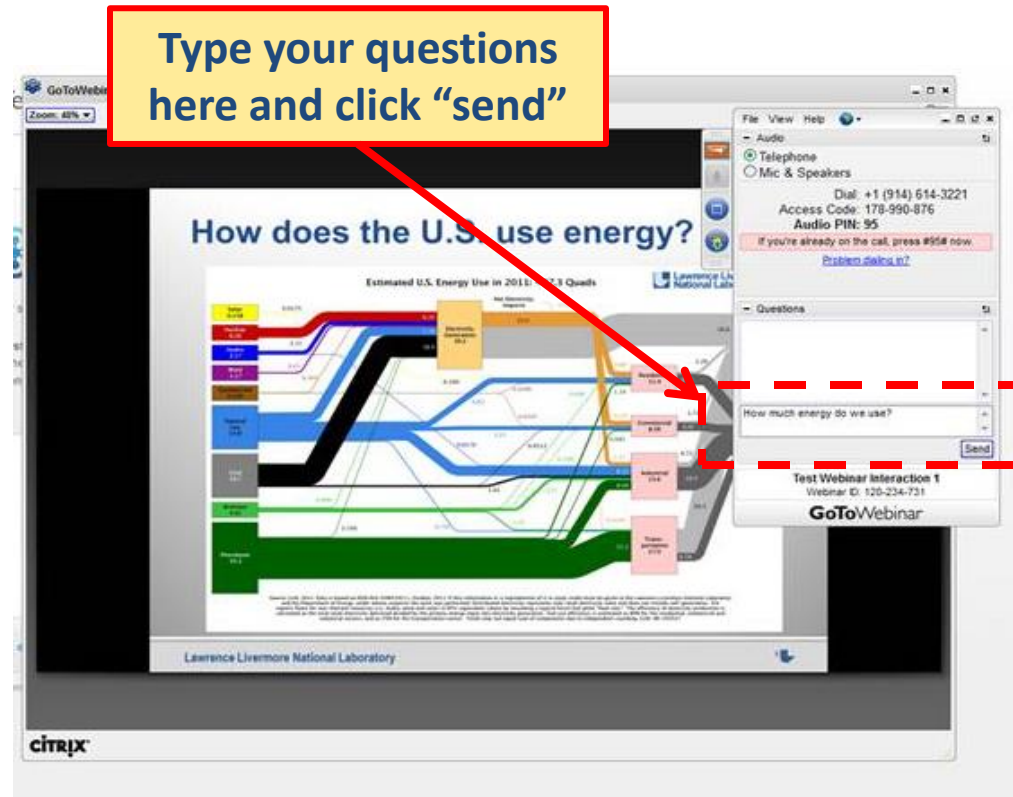
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Chapter Overview

- This chapter presents metrics, tools, and methodologies to evaluate the RD3 portfolio.
 - *How should DOE best allocate funding and prioritize its RD3 portfolio?*
- This chapter presents a framework for decision making but does not present prioritization decisions.
- For DOE, identifying the right portfolio involves two interrelated steps:
 - Estimating technological improvements for any RD3 activity or portfolio
 - Estimating future system-based benefits of RD3 portfolio



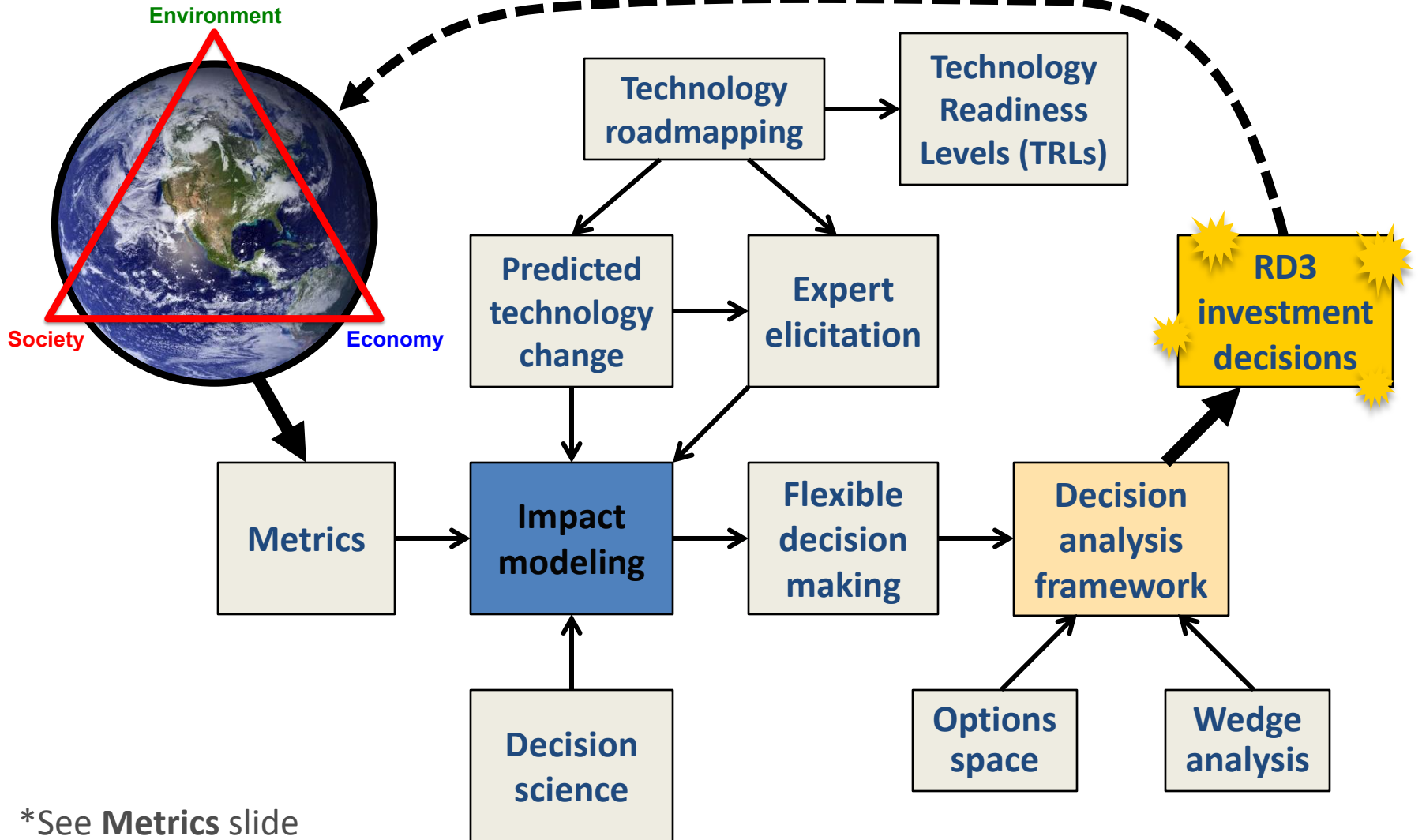
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1 Introduction

Better prioritization of RD3 resources is needed to maximize impact of technologies in multiple dimensions:*

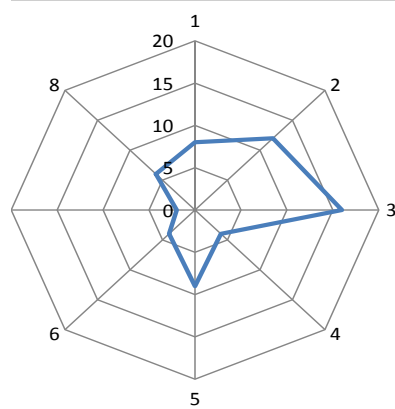
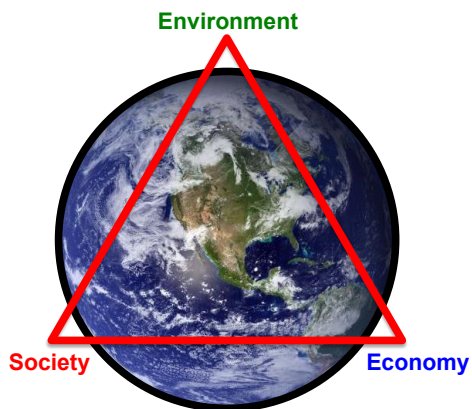


*See **Metrics** slide



2.1 Metrics

- Metrics enable the comparison of different technologies or projects.
- Relevant metrics for DOE’s energy portfolio include those in the following categories:
 - Economic (e.g., levelized cost of energy)
 - Environment (e.g., greenhouse gas emissions, water use)
 - Societal (e.g., human health, national security)
- Many of these metrics can be evaluated over the lifecycle of a technology or project via life cycle assessment (LCA).
- Multiple metrics need to be considered in RD3 evaluation.



| | | METRICS FOR COMPARISON | | | | |
|-----|---------------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | | Metric 1 | Metric 2 | Metric 3 | Metric 4 | Metric 5 |
| RD3 | Opportunity 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| | Opportunity 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| | Opportunity 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| | Opportunity 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| | Opportunity 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 |



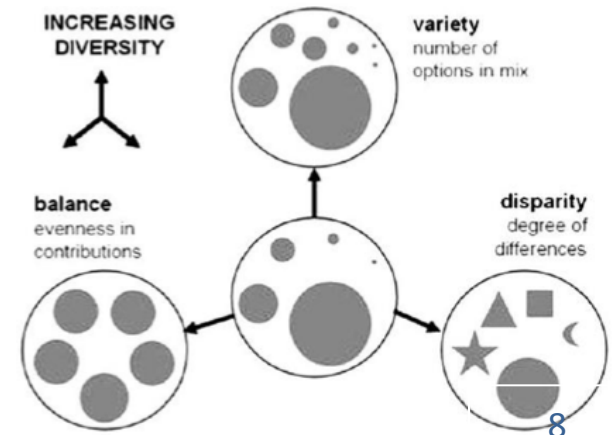
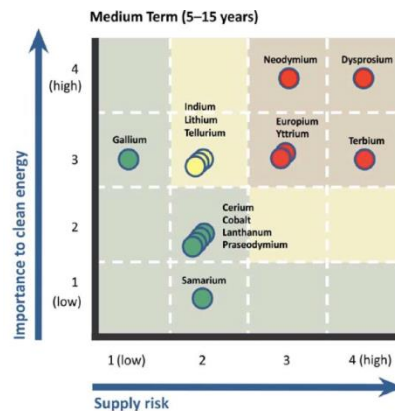
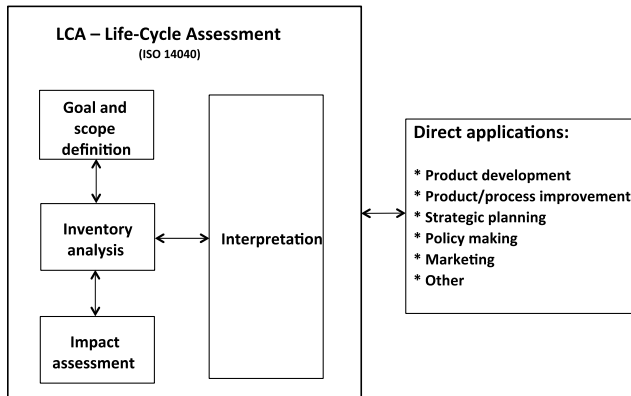
2.1 Metrics (Continued)

Covered in metrics section:

- Life cycle assessment (LCA) framework
- Levelized cost of energy (LCOE)
- Energy return on (energy) invested (EROI)
- Climate change impacts: Greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and Social Cost of Carbon (SCC)
- Toxic pollutants
- Human health impacts
- Water use and consumption
- Land use
- Materials use and criticality
- Security and other diversity-related benefits

$$EROI = \frac{\text{Energy gained}}{\text{Energy required to obtain that energy}}$$

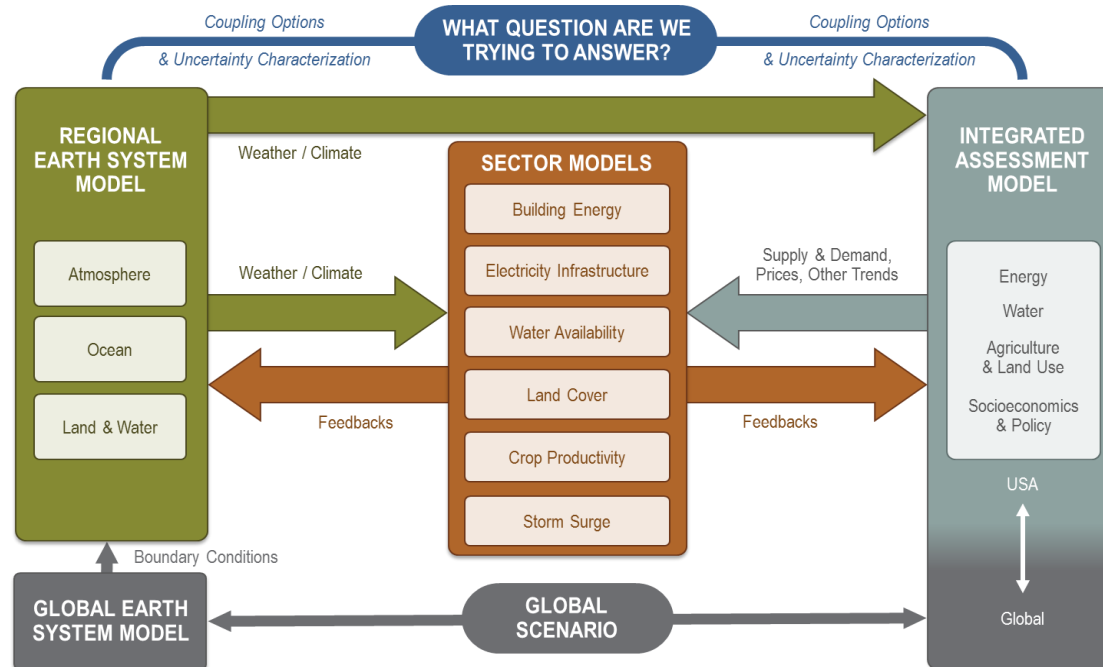
| Year | Discount Rate | | | |
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| 2015 | 12 | 38 | 58 | 109 |
| 2020 | 12 | 43 | 65 | 129 |
| 2025 | 14 | 48 | 70 | 144 |
| 2030 | 16 | 52 | 76 | 159 |
| 2035 | 19 | 57 | 81 | 176 |
| 2040 | 21 | 62 | 87 | 192 |
| 2045 | 24 | 66 | 92 | 206 |
| 2050 | 27 | 71 | 98 | 221 |





2.2 Integrated Assessment & Other Models

- Integrated assessment models (IAMs) provide three primary services:
 - Provide drivers for climate science experiments
 - Bring together major elements of physical and human Earth systems to provide new scientific insights
 - Provide science-based decision support tools



Model interactions in the PRIMA model



2.3 Risk & Uncertainty

- Risk is inherent in any RD3 activity. Yet not all risks are identical:
 - **Technical risk:** Can technology meet performance, cost goals?
 - **Market risk:** Do economics assure technology success in market?

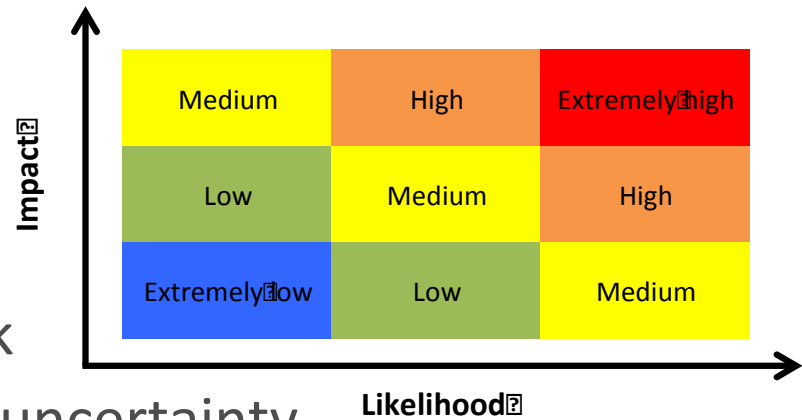
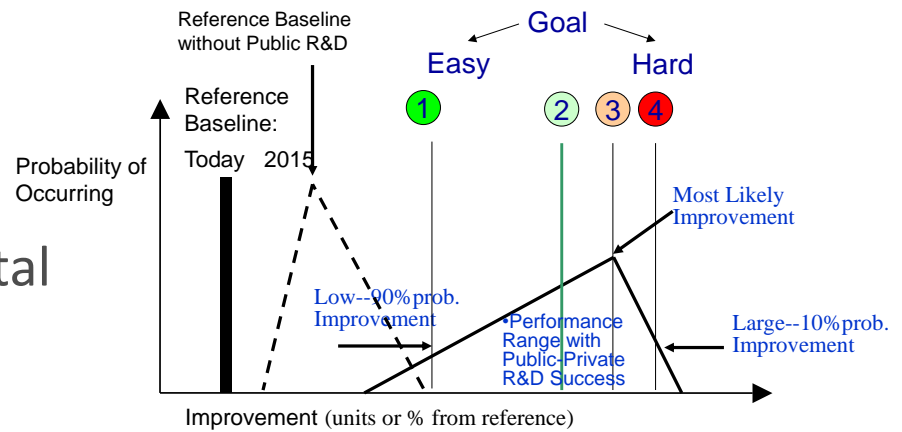
- Other possible risks?
 - Schedule/Budget/Economic
 - Managerial/Organizational
 - Safety/Regulatory/Environmental
 - Political/Strategic

• Risk definition:

$$R = P \cdot I$$

Risk ← Probability (or Likelihood) ← Impact

- Higher uncertainty = higher risk
- Goal of RD3 is to reduce risk & uncertainty





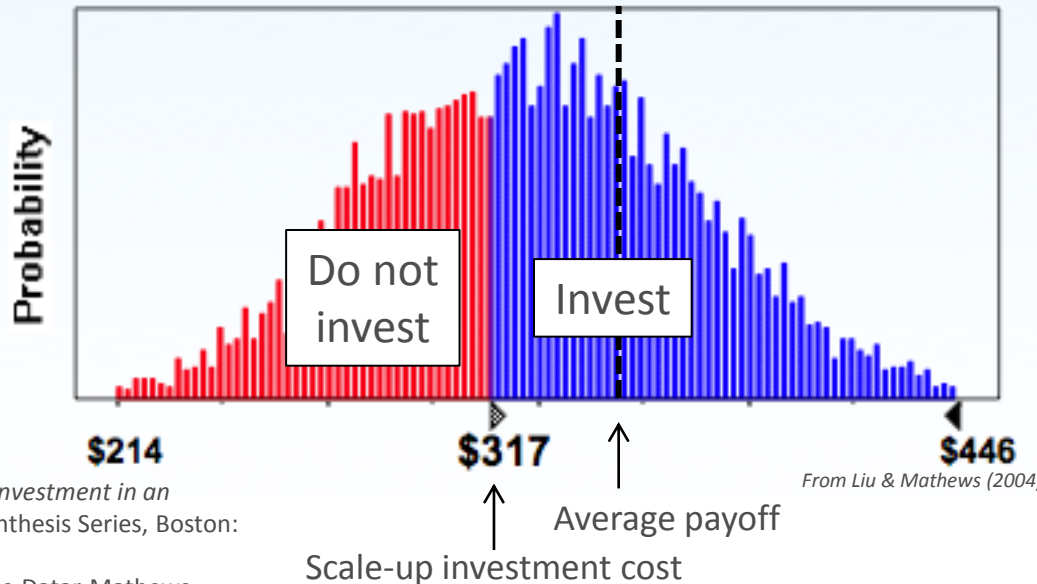
2.4 Flexible Decision Making

- Real options valuation (a version of decision tree analysis)
- Popularized by Amram and Kulatilaka (1999)
- Options = contingent decisions to invest depending on events
- Conventional valuation may undervalue investments with large uncertainty
- Holding options is not free, but reduces total cost & project risk
- DOE and other decision makers already do this (staged investment decisions), but real options valuation formalizes the process

$$\text{RD3 investment risk} = P \cdot I$$

↑ ↑
Probability of success Average payoff

Future value of technology after RD3



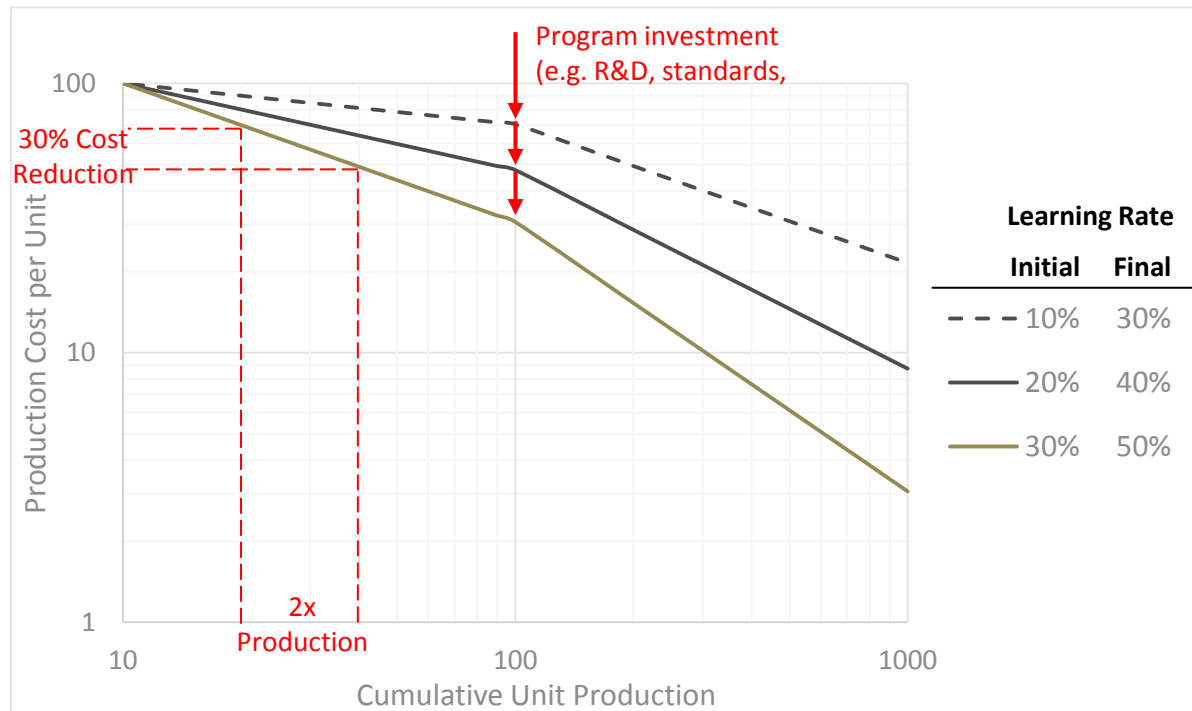
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2.5 Predicting Technological Progress

- Technology “learning” or “experience” curve analysis
- Observed relationship between cost and cumulative production
- Curves can sometimes bend downward with program investment
- Changes may also depend on learning-by-searching, economies of scale, passage of time, spill-over, etc.
- Area for research investment?





3.1 Technology Roadmapping

- Commonly used by technology offices at DOE to craft RD3 investment strategies that address complex barriers
- Important tool for successful and flexible research portfolio
- Began in U.S. automotive industry in 1970s, later adopted by consumer electronics industry
- May identify critical technologies and gaps that can be leveraged by RD3 investment
- Useful when default technology, timing is unclear, or coordination of multiple technologies needed?

Technology roadmapping stages (*Garcia and Bray, 1997*)

Phase I. Preliminary activity

- Satisfy essential conditions.
- Provide leadership/sponsorship.
- Define the scope and boundaries for the technology roadmap.

Phase II. Development of the Technology Roadmap

- Identify the “product” that will be the focus of the roadmap.
- Identify the critical system requirements and their targets.
- Specify the major technology areas.
- Specify the technology drivers and their targets.
- Identify technology alternatives and their time lines.
- Recommend the technology alternatives that should be pursued.
- Create the technology roadmap report.

Phase III. Follow-up activity

- Critique and validate the roadmap.
- Develop an implementation plan.
- Review and update.



3.2 Technology Readiness Levels (TRLs)

- Conceived by Stan Sadin in 1974 at NASA; formalized in 1989
- Subsequently adopted by DOD, DOE, others
- 9 levels (originally 7), spanning basic research to deployment:

| | |
|-------|---|
| TRL 1 | Basic principles observed and reported |
| TRL 2 | Technology concept and/or application formulated |
| TRL 3 | Analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof-of-concept |
| TRL 4 | Component and/or breadboard validation in laboratory environment |
| TRL 5 | Component and/or breadboard validation in relevant environment |
| TRL 6 | System/subsystem model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment (ground or space) |
| TRL 7 | System prototype demonstration in a space environment |
| TRL 8 | Actual system completed and "flight qualified" through test and demonstration (ground or space) |
| TRL 9 | Actual system "flight proven" through successful mission operations |

Mankins, J. C., 1995. *Technology Readiness Levels: A White Paper*, Advanced Concepts Office, Office of Space Access and Technology, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), 6 April. <http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/codeq/tri/tri.pdf>

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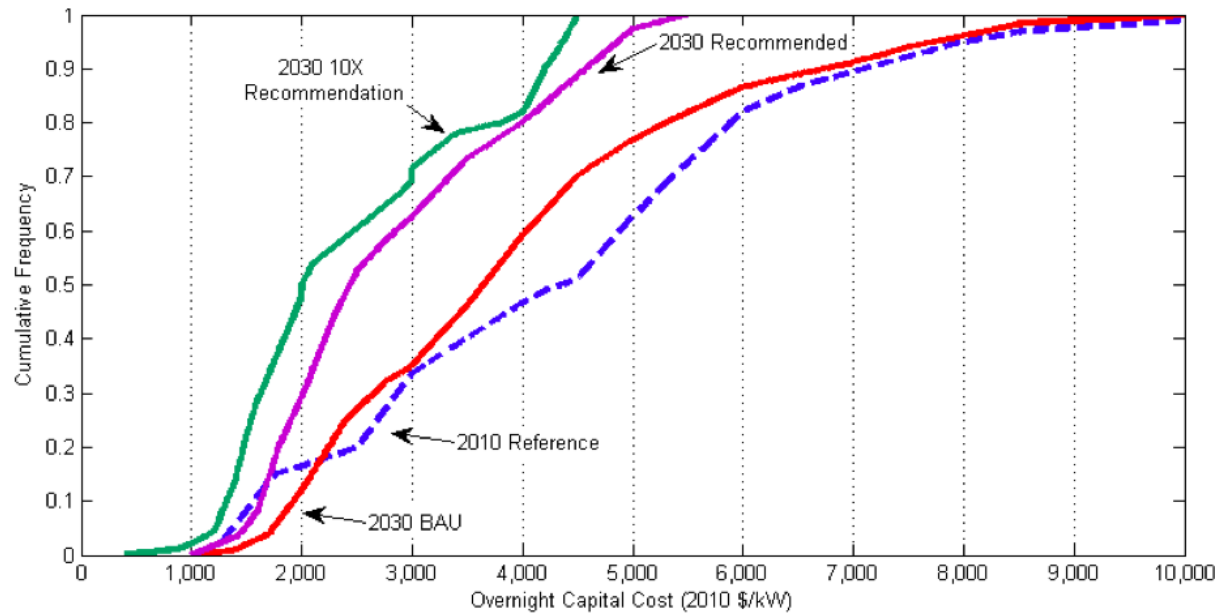
- Scale anchored to qualitative characteristics; valuation may vary with user, technology, time frame, etc.?
- Multiple technologies: Single TRL encompasses many subsystems. Should TRL be pinned to least developed subsystem?
- Cross-technology comparison: TRLs not readily compared across technologies or timeframes?

- Benefits analysis: Quantitative risk assessment not supported?
- Portfolio analysis: Little actionable information for decisions?
- Early-stage research: Not adequately characterized?



3.3 Expert Elicitation

- Can be used to forecast uncertain future technologies, using experts to supply recent knowledge about possible breakthroughs
- Does not rely on consensus (Delphi method) so preserves diversity of opinions
- Can fall prey to biases; good design can mostly overcome these?
- Expensive, time-consuming and imperfect; **further improvements needed**



Chan et al. (2011)

| | Capture Technologies | | | | Power from Coal | | | | Natural Gas | Fuels | Crosscutting Research Areas | | | | Other | | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|--|------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Chemical absorption | Physical absorption | Adsorption | Membranes | Pulverized/fluidized bed coal combustion | IGCC | Oxy-fired combustion | Underground coal gasification | Chemical looping combustion | Advanced turbines | Resource assessment | Non-power products (co-production) | Fuel Cells | Retrofitting existing plants for CCS | Sensors and controls | Non-Co2 environmental control | e.g. materials, novel capture methods |
| Basic Research | 12 | 16 | 18 | 33 | 14 | 22 | 20 | 21 | 27 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 16 | 12 | 7 | 9 | 21 |
| Applied Research | 22 | 19 | 25 | 28 | 27 | 36 | 41 | 38 | 50 | 25 | 18 | 19 | 46 | 25 | 15 | 8 | 24 |
| Experiments and Pilots | 29 | 26 | 21 | 30 | 23 | 73 | 67 | 31 | 50 | 36 | 17 | 24 | 34 | 59 | 9 | 17 | 33 |
| Commercial Demonstration | 70 | 30 | 21 | 35 | 26 | 221 | 167 | 32 | 29 | 76 | 18 | 64 | 44 | 145 | 9 | 15 | 42 |

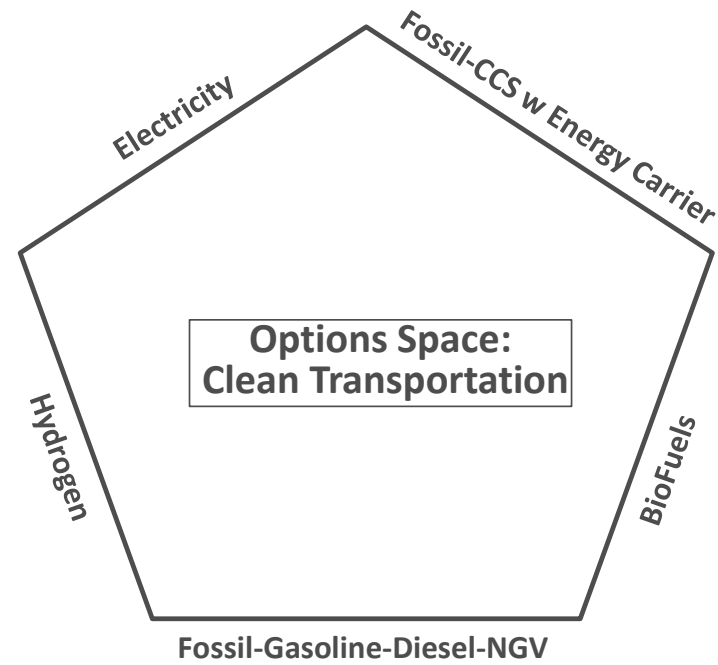
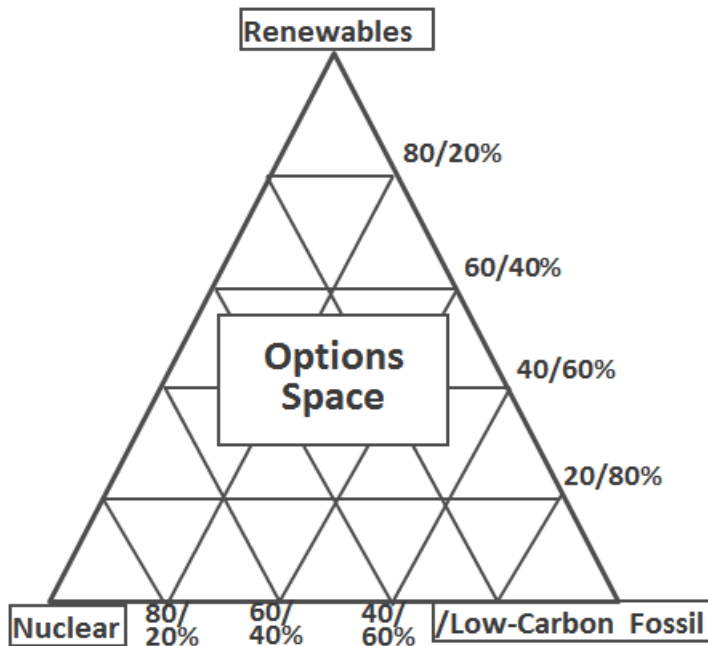
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Chan, G., L. D. Anadon, M. Chan and A. Lee, 2011. "Expert elicitation of cost, performance, and RD&D budgets for coal power with CCS," *Energy Procedia*, 4, 2685–2692. DOI: 10.1016/j.egypro.2011.02.169. <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1876610211003663>.



3.4 Option Space

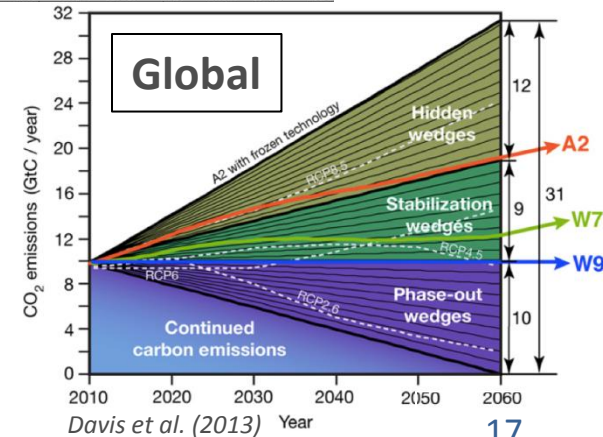
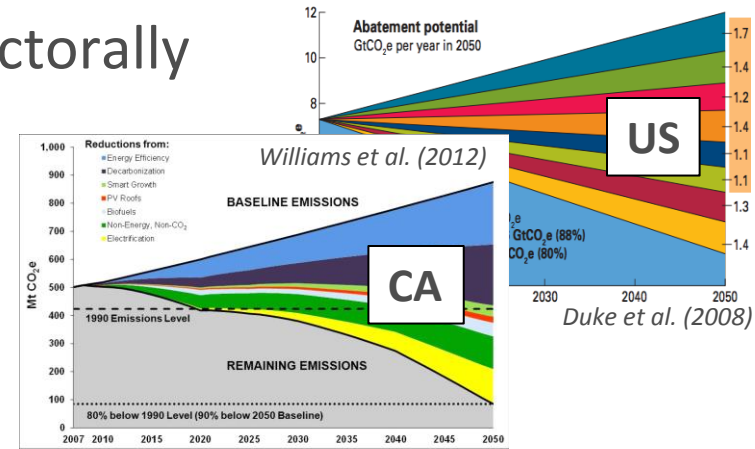
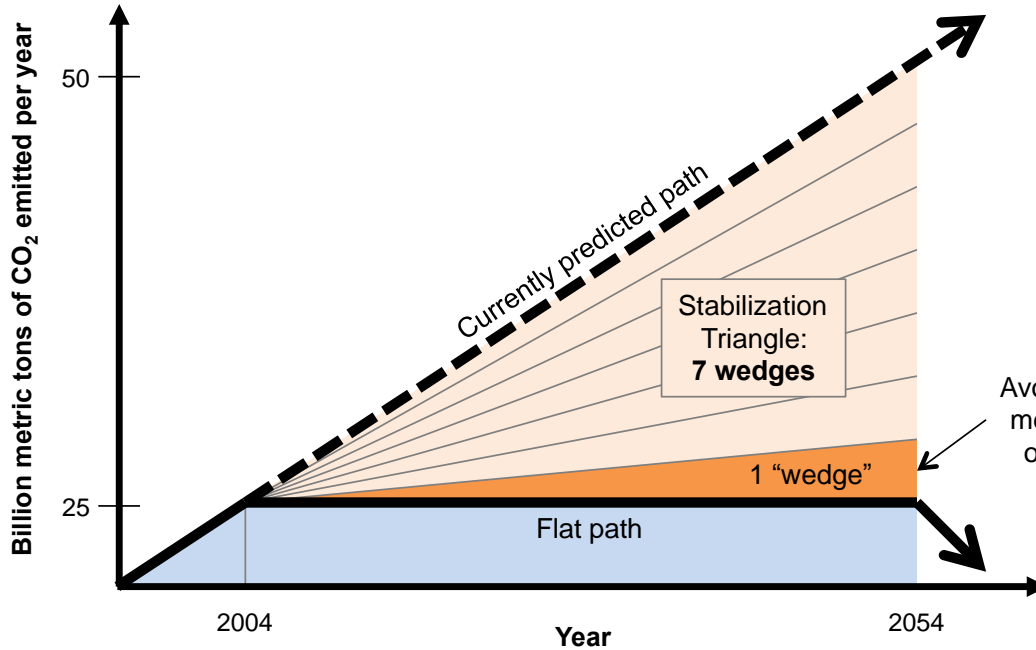
- Need to invest in multiple technologies/pathways
- Option Space = set of technologies that could contribute to a particular desired service (usually sector-specific)
- Examples of electricity generation and transportation:





3.5 Wedge Analysis

- Conceived by Pacala and Socolow in 2004
- Useful way to compare disparate GHG mitigation options
- Emphasizes scale of impact (>1 GtC/yr or ~4 GtCO₂/yr), long time horizon (50 years) and need for steady ramp-up
- Can be applied globally, regionally, sectorally



Pacala, S., R. Socolow, "Stabilization Wedges: Solving the Climate Problem for the Next 50 Years with Current Technologies," *Science*, 305 (5686) 968-972 (2004). DOI: 10.1126/science.1100103.
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3.6 Decision Science

- RD3 should address not only the technologies themselves, but also their design, adoption, and use?
 - “No matter how efficient the light bulb standard is, people still need to get to the hardware store, select the right bulb, take it home, install it, and use it properly before the benefits can be realized.” —ACEEE (2013)
- Use evidence-based science to develop principles impacting design, selection, and use of energy technologies? Examples:
 1. Going beyond information
 2. Understanding context
 3. Leveraging technology
 4. Understanding human dynamics
 5. Using strategic rewards
 6. Raising the profile of energy
- Sectors affected: buildings, transport, power, manufacturing?



4.1 Conceptual Framework: Goals and Needs

- Provide key data and analysis for senior DOE leadership as they make decisions on the RD3 portfolio?
- Challenges include data/tool limitations, “unknown unknowns,” balancing incremental improvement against effort required?
- Ingredients of a strong portfolio?
 - Defining benefits
 - Balance and diversity
 - Strategic alignment
 - Resilience and flexibility
- Key steps in identifying the right portfolio?
 - Estimating technological improvements
 - Estimating the future system-based benefits
- All steps to incorporate uncertainty?

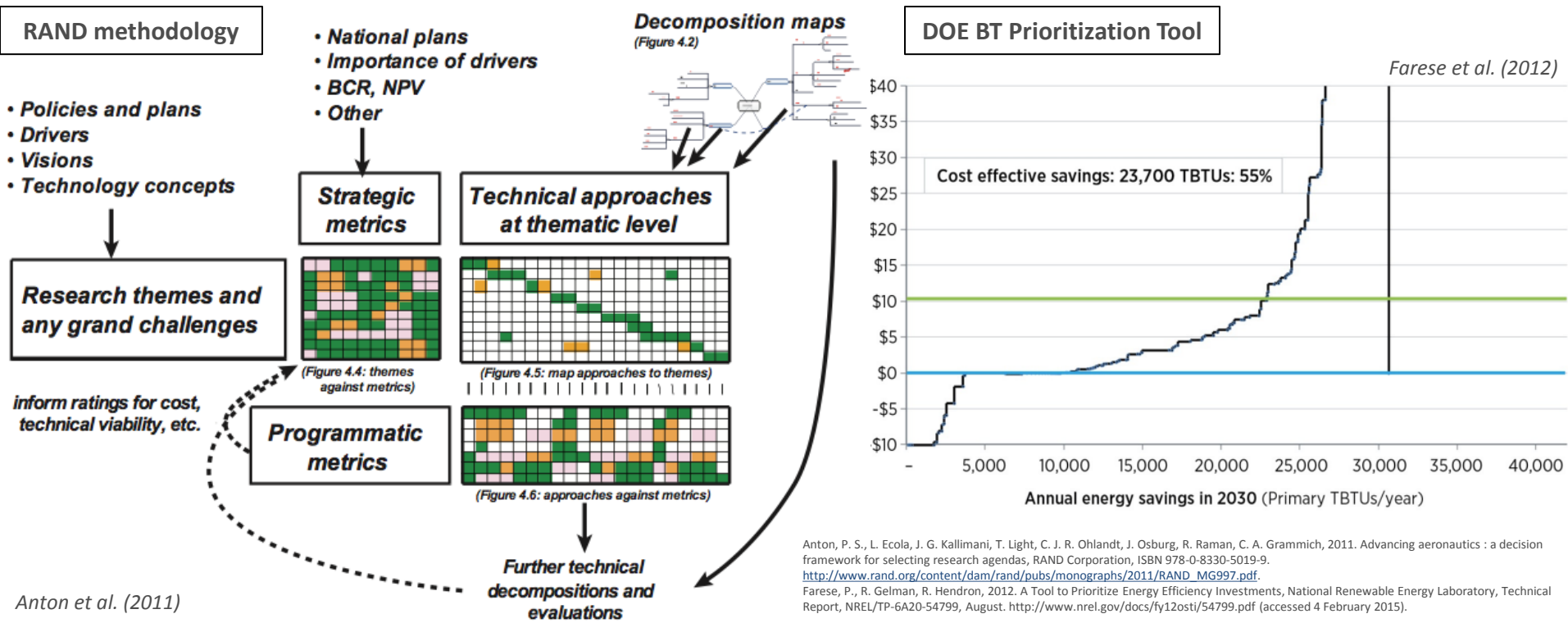




4.2 Examples of Methods in Use



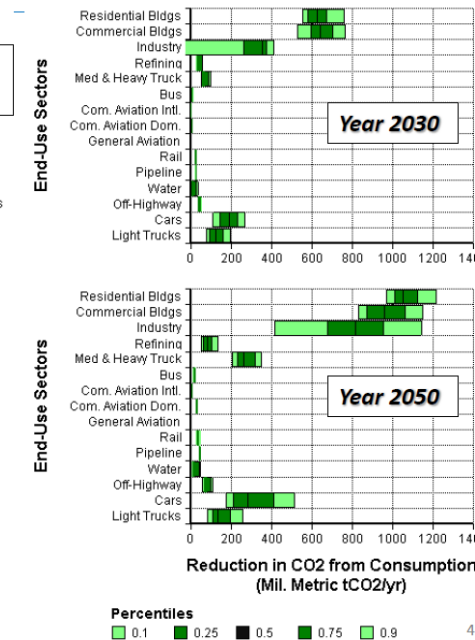
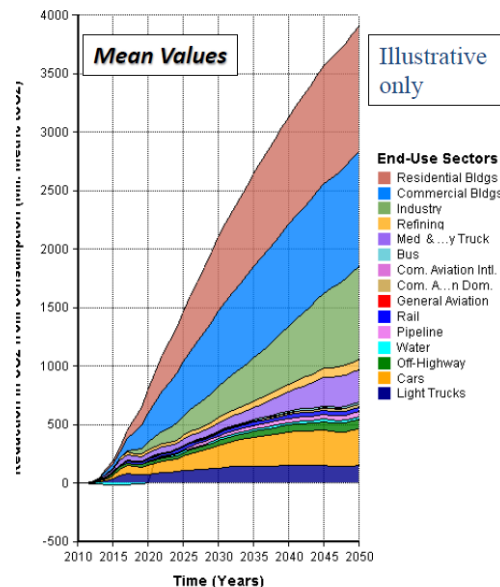
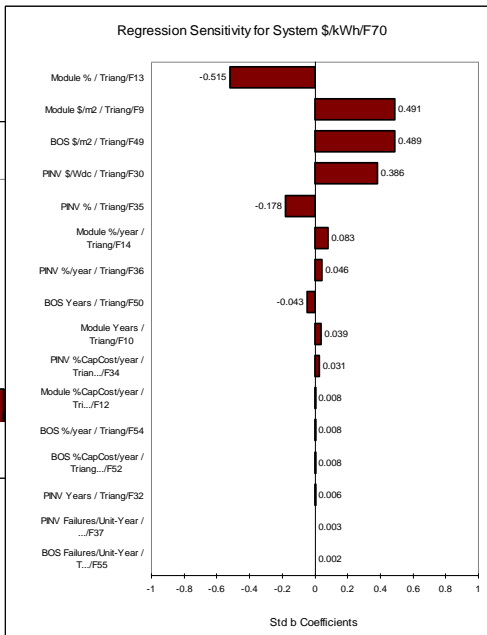
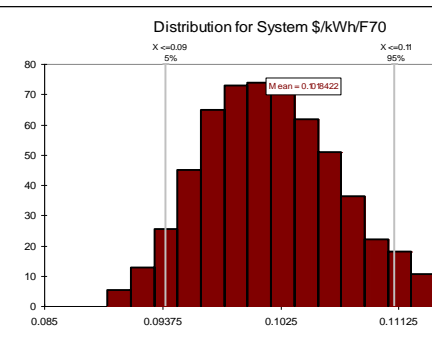
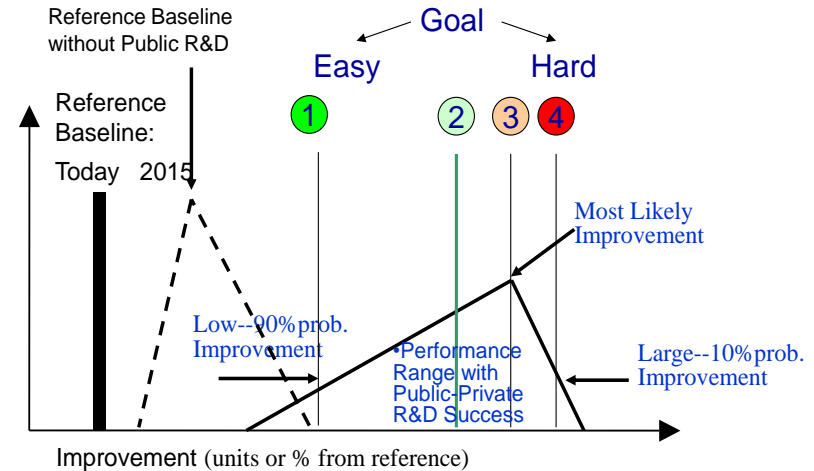
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- Electric Power Research Institute
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology Energy Initiative Seed Fund
- RAND report to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration
- DOE Building Technology prioritization tool





4.3 Toward Improved Methods of RD3 Prioritization

- Review of current approaches
- Goals for future DOE RD3 analysis?
 - Evaluate potential improvement under RD3 with full uncertainty
 - Rank-order investments by impact
 - Perform for multiple metrics
- Review of challenges





Summary – RD3 Needs

- Metrics
 - Better SCC estimates?
 - More work needed to address critical materials?
 - Other needs?
- IAMs
 - Develop databases for consistency across models?
 - Better characterize uncertainty and risk?
- Technological progress: Better understanding of drivers?
- Expert elicitation: More work needed to improve process?
- Decision science: More research needed to understand human impacts on technology implementation?
- Prioritization and decision making:
 - Refine, test and deploy methods outlined?
 - Iterate to find what works best for DOE?



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