

Multi-year storage or import dependency? - How to guarantee energy security under climate uncertainty

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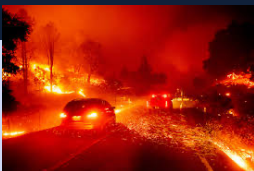
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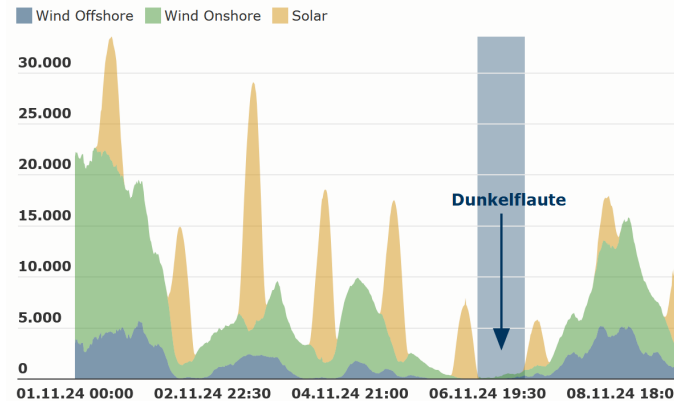
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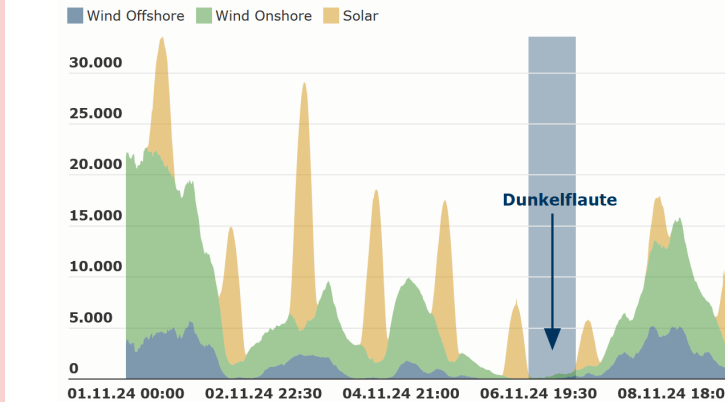
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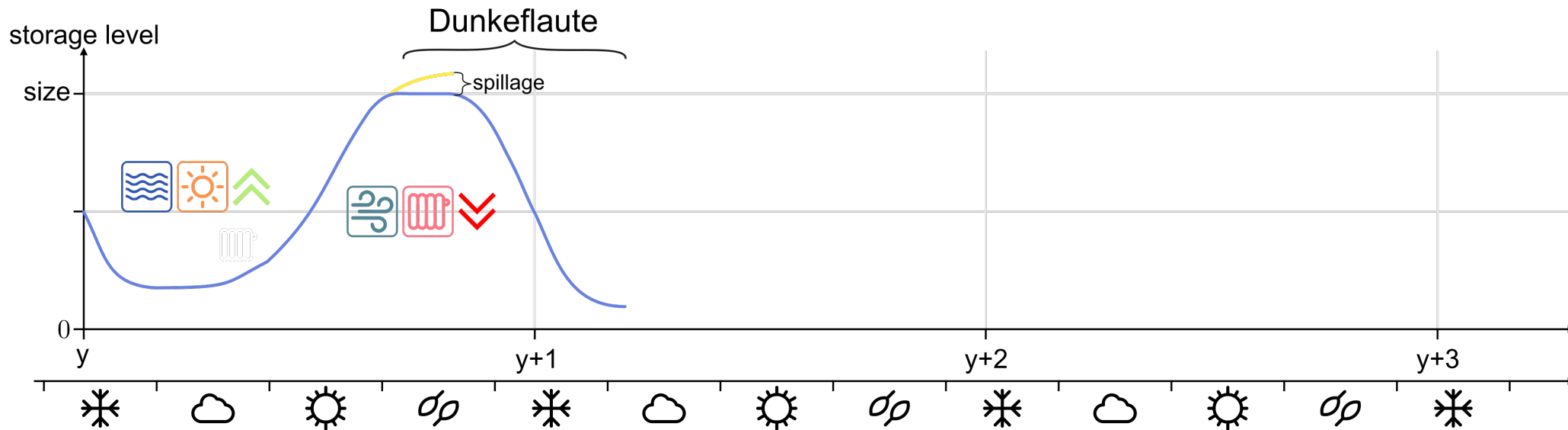
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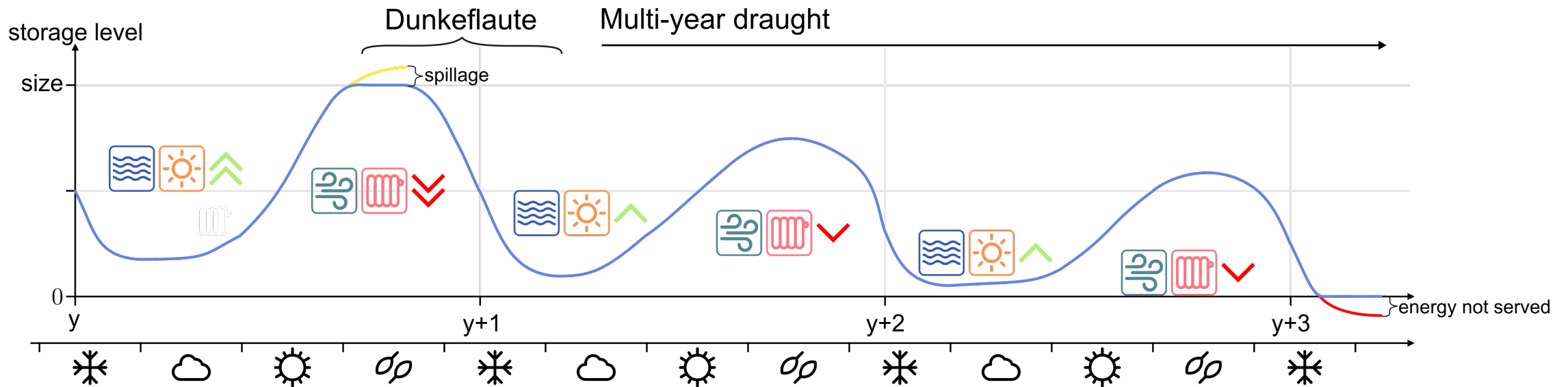
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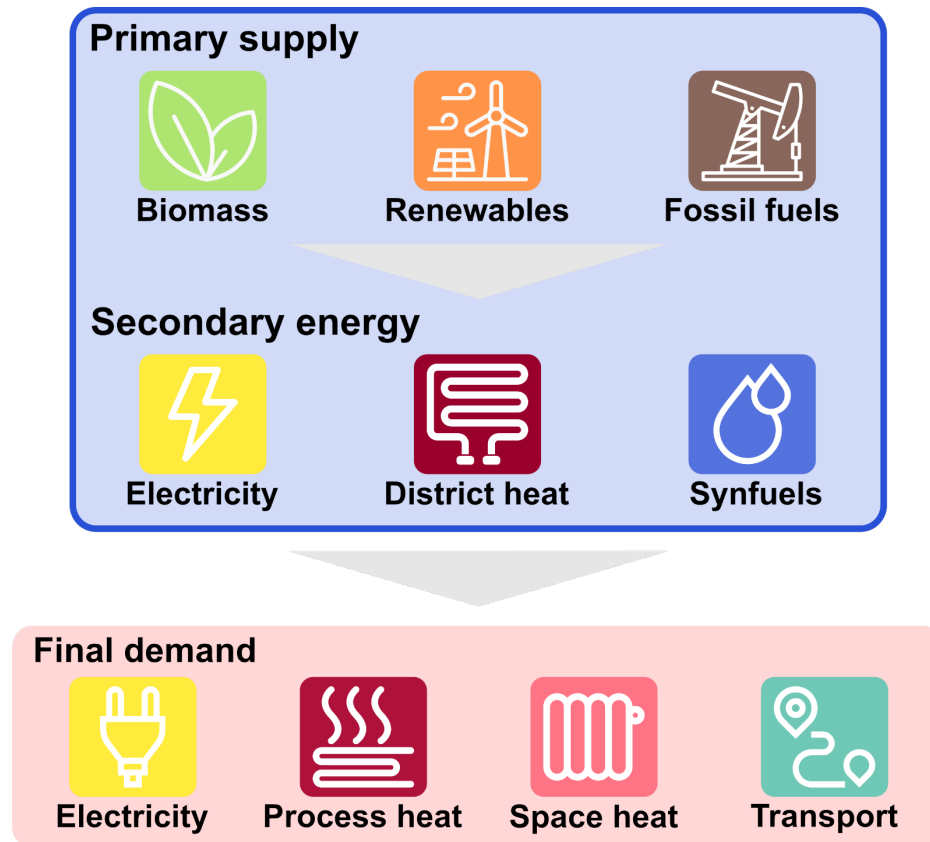
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Methodology for energy system planning

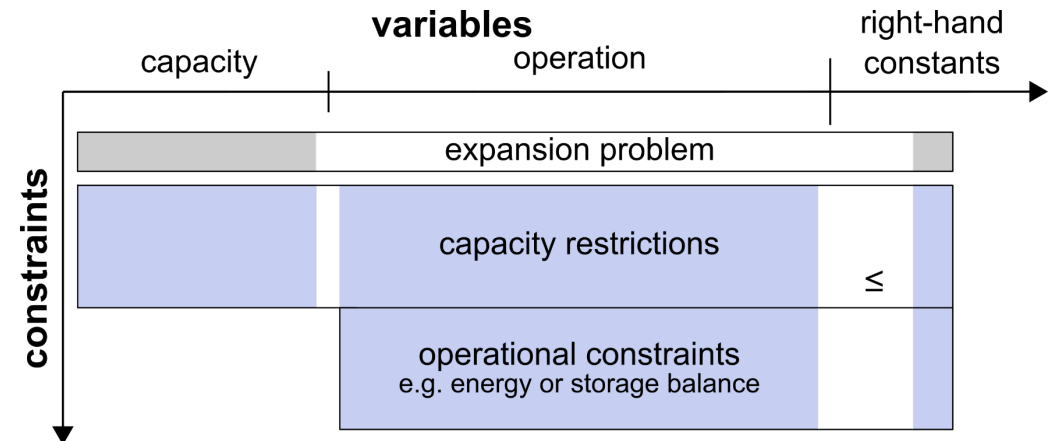
Linear capacity planning of large-scale system

Sector-coupled European system [1]



Mathematical formulation [2]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_{x,y} \quad & c^\top x + d^\top y \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & Hx \leq a \\
 & Ix + Jy \leq b \\
 & x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, y \in \mathbb{R}_+^n
 \end{aligned}$$

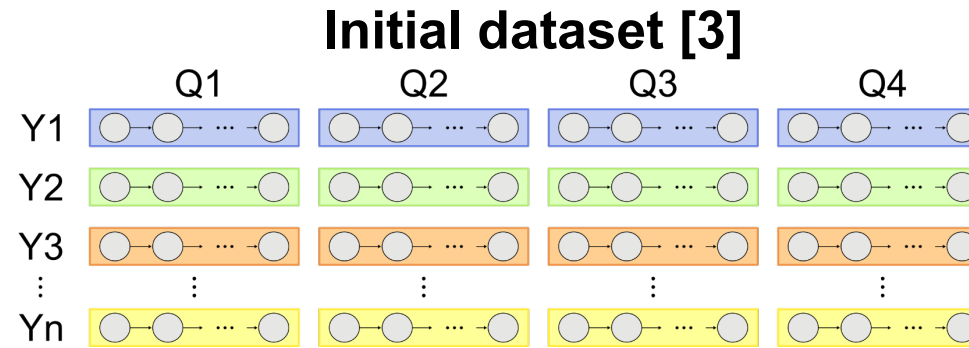


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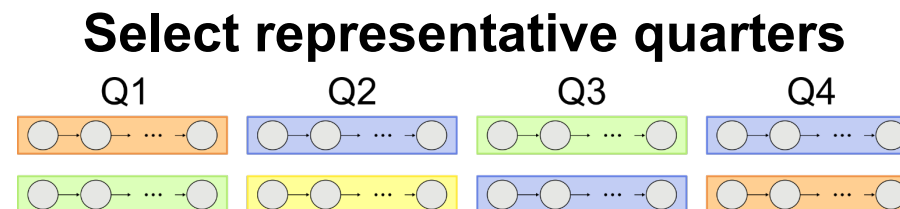
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Stochastic approach to climate uncertainty

Subsampling of historic dataset



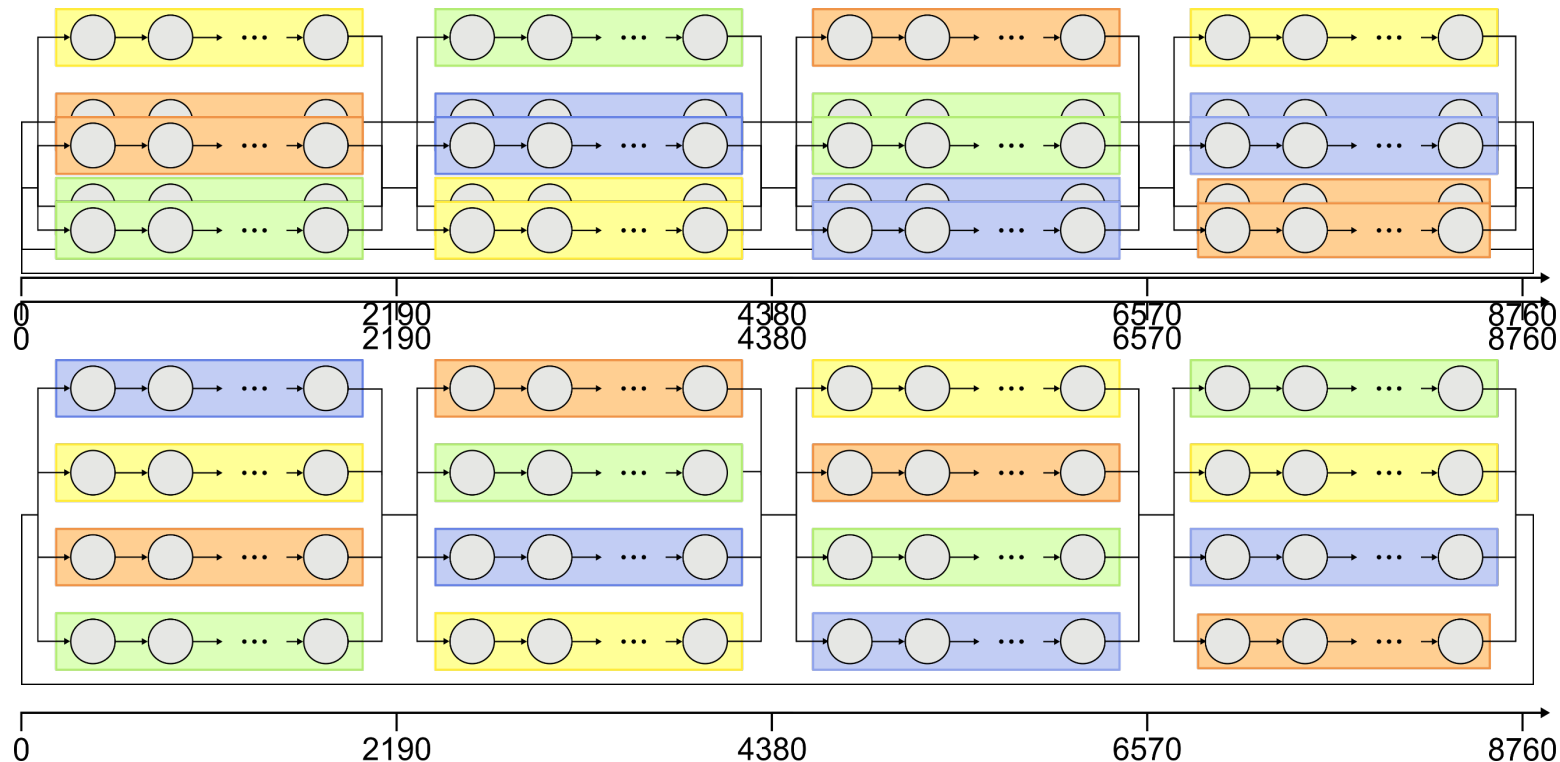
Assume uncorrelated quarters
→ Stochastic independence



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Combinatorial modeling to cover numerous samples

Cover large range of events without explicit representation

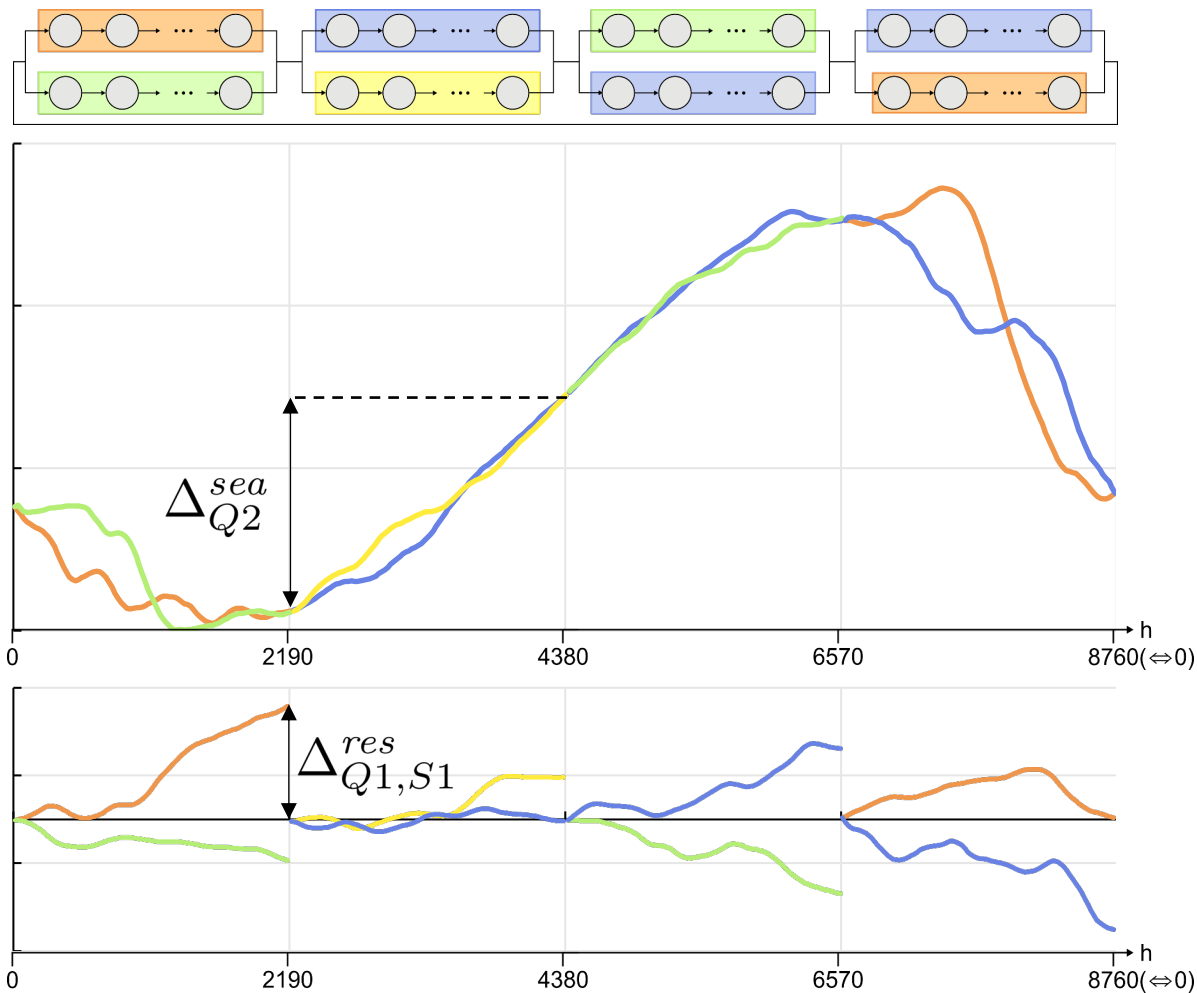


$3^4 (=81)$ scenarios
 $2^4 (=16)$ scenarios

$4^4 (=256)$ scenarios

Storage modeling in combinatorial setup

Seasonal component and reserve component



$$\underbrace{lvl_{t,s}}_{\text{storage level}} = lvl_{t-1,s} + \underbrace{in_{t,s}^{bal} - out_{t,s}^{bal}}_{\text{charge/discharge to energy balance}}$$

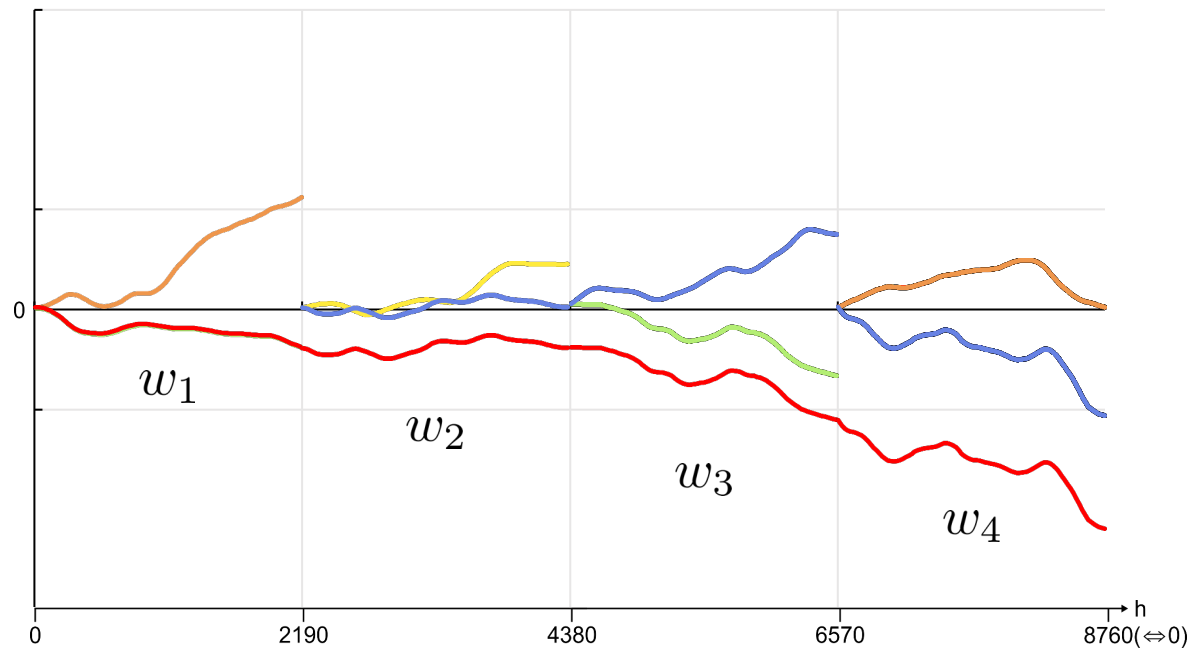
$$+ \underbrace{in_{t,s}^{res} - out_{t,s}^{res}}_{\text{charge/discharge from reserve}} \quad \forall t \in T, s \in S$$

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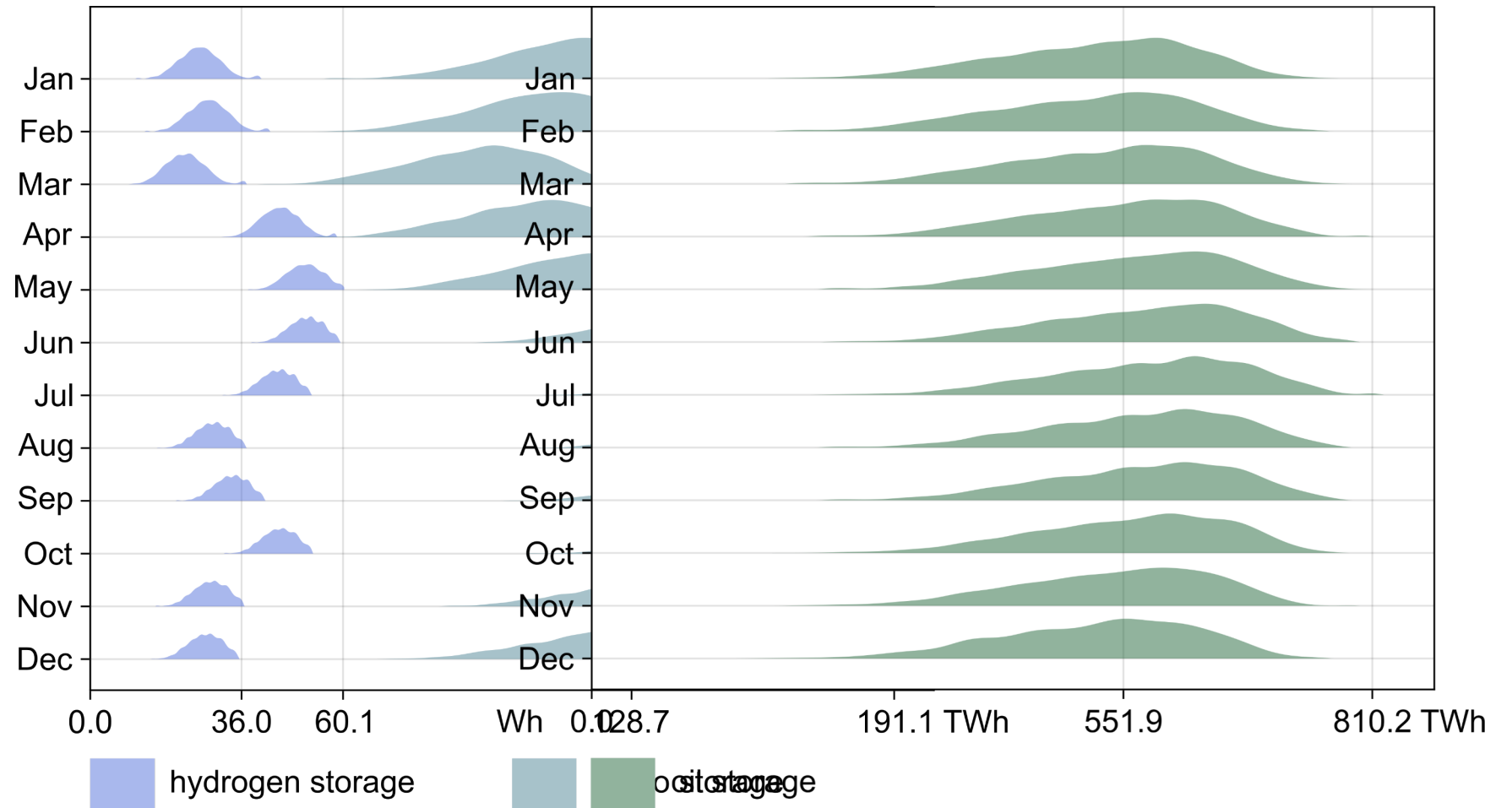
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Robust formulation to identify worst-case scenario



Preliminary results

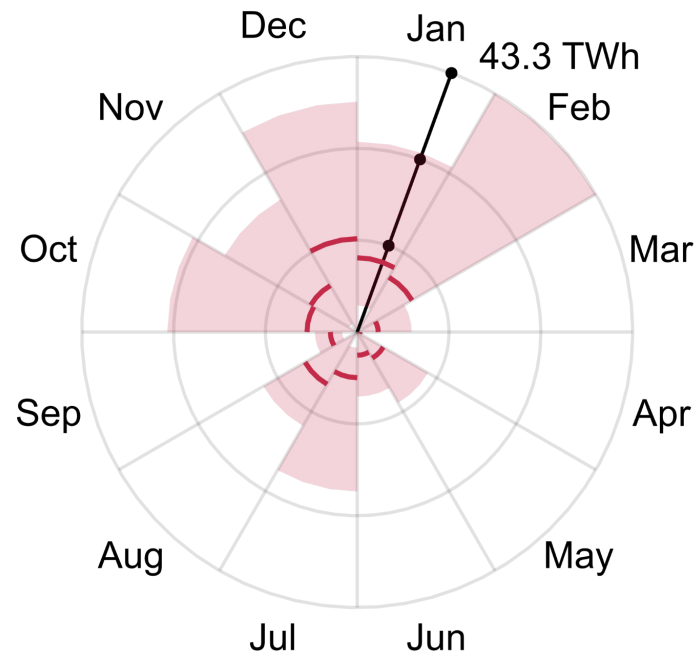
Technologies for seasonal and multi-year balancing



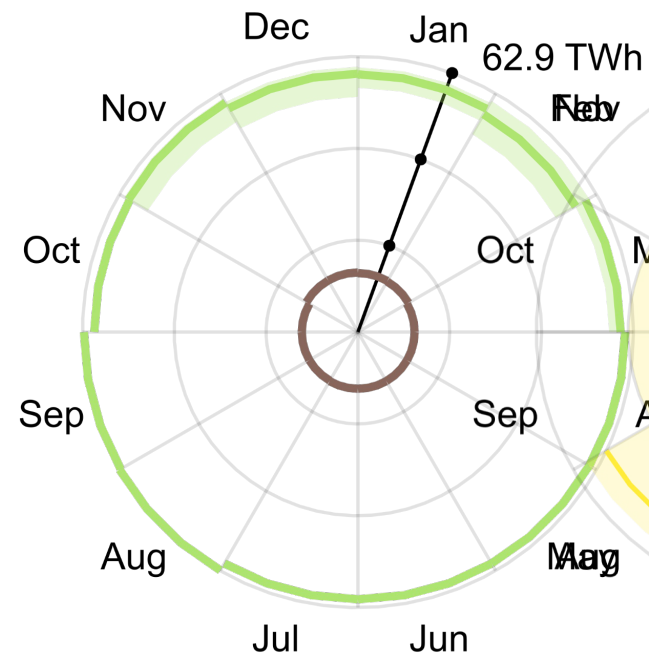
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Reserve balances supply and demand for fuels across years

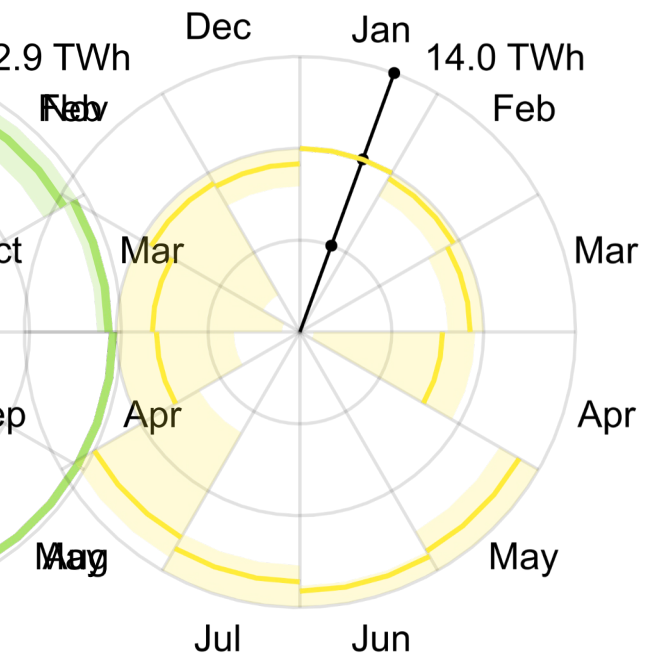
Electricity supply from diesel engines



Oil supply



Electricity demand from direct air capture



— average range

biomass liquification

fossil oil import

What is next?

Conclusions

- Scalable method for stochastic planning to secure future systems against climate uncertainty
- Storage needs for resilience against multi-year draughts are substantial, but far below today's fuel reserve
- Multi-year storage decrease system costs of a resilient system by ~7%

Outlook

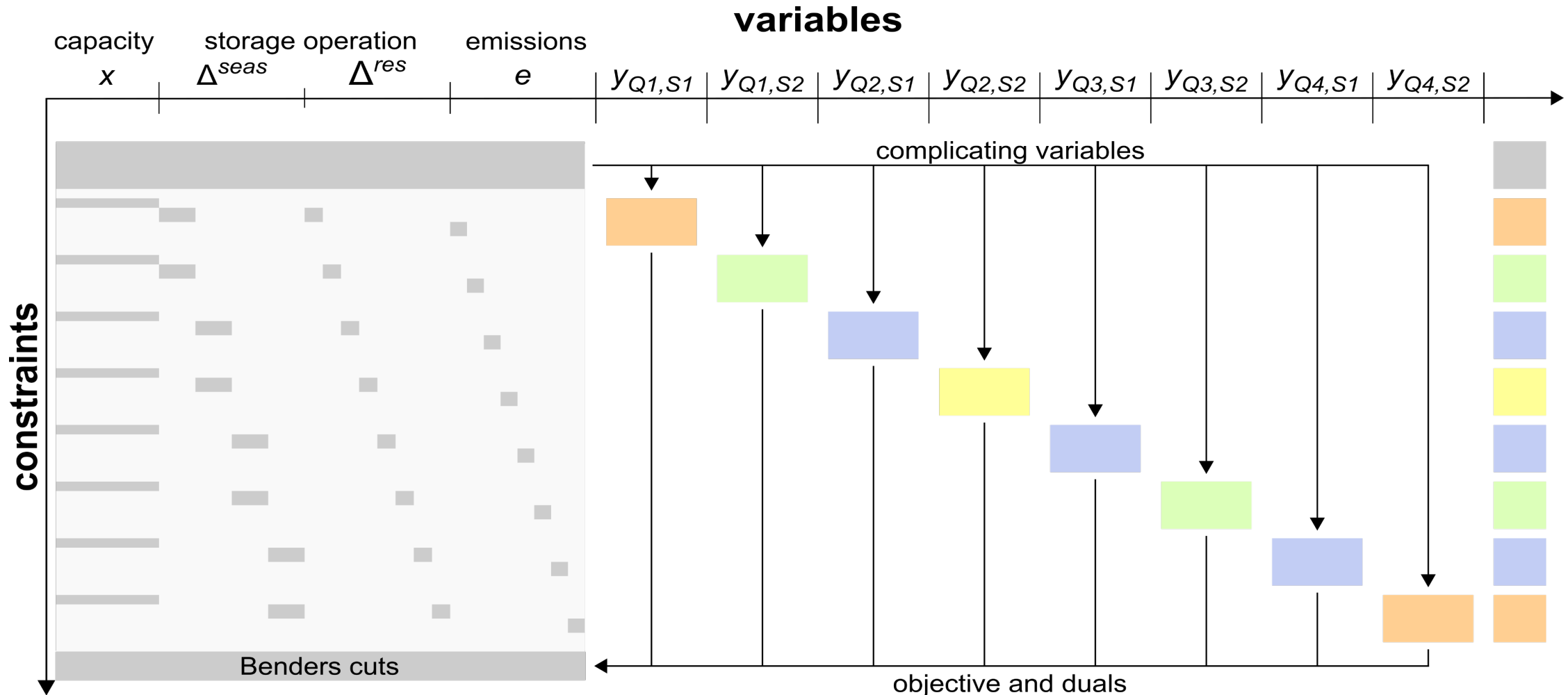
- Vary flexibility of synthetic and fossil imports from outside of Europe
- Reduce biomass availability for the energy system

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Benders decomposition to solve stochastic problem

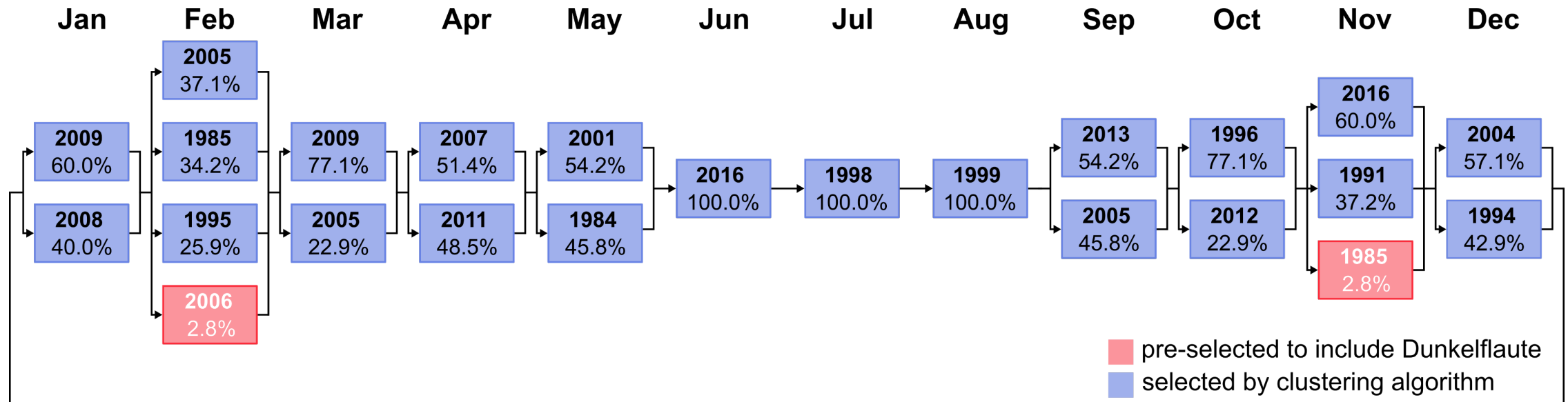
Storage level and emissions add complicating variables



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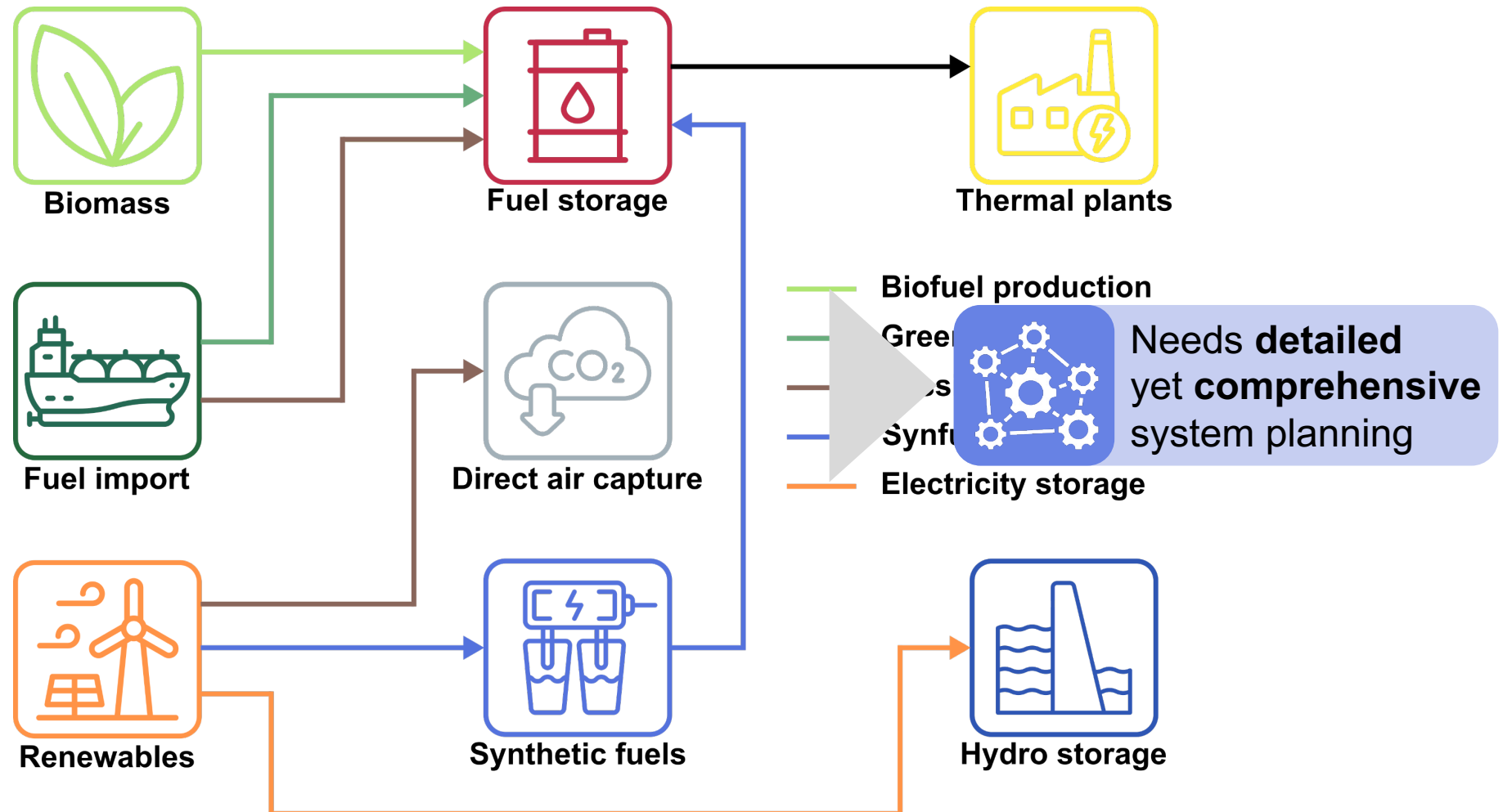
Representative months selected by optimization

Exemplary result when selecting 24 months in total



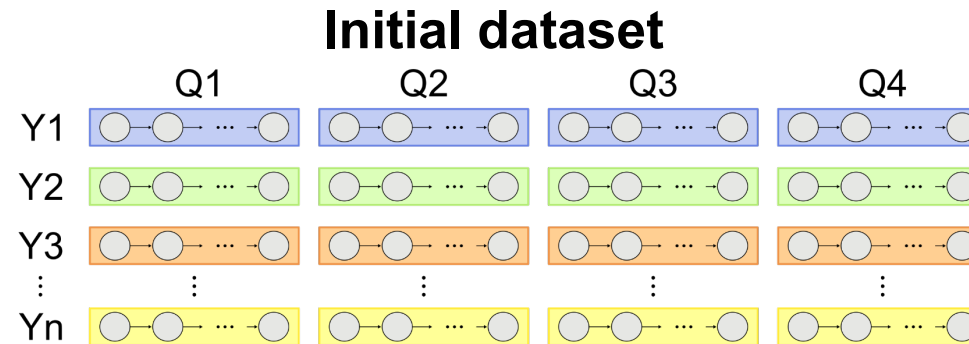
What security options must be considered?

Various complex and interdependent storage paths



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Isolated analysis of individual weather years [5,6]

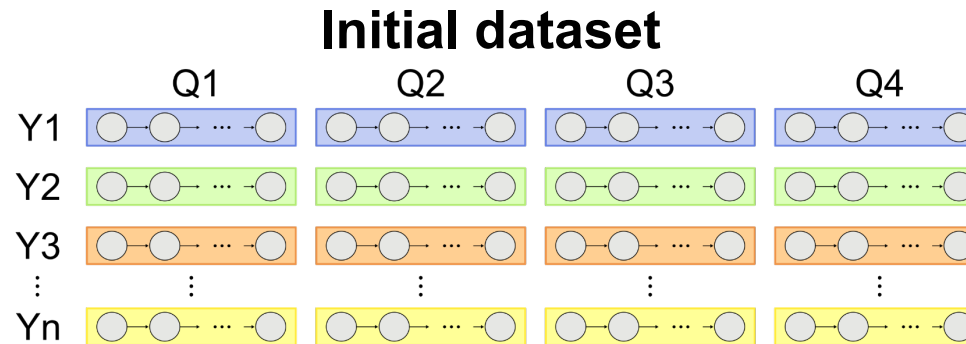


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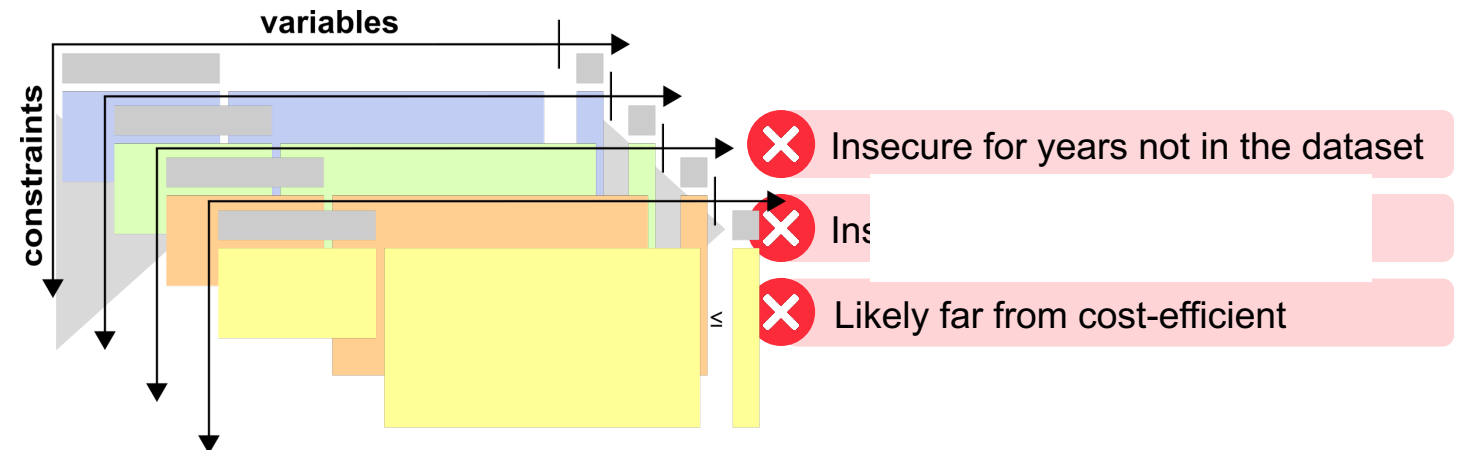
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