



# Behind the Meter Storage for Electric Vehicle Charging, Electrochemical and Thermal Energy Storage, and Solar Photovoltaic

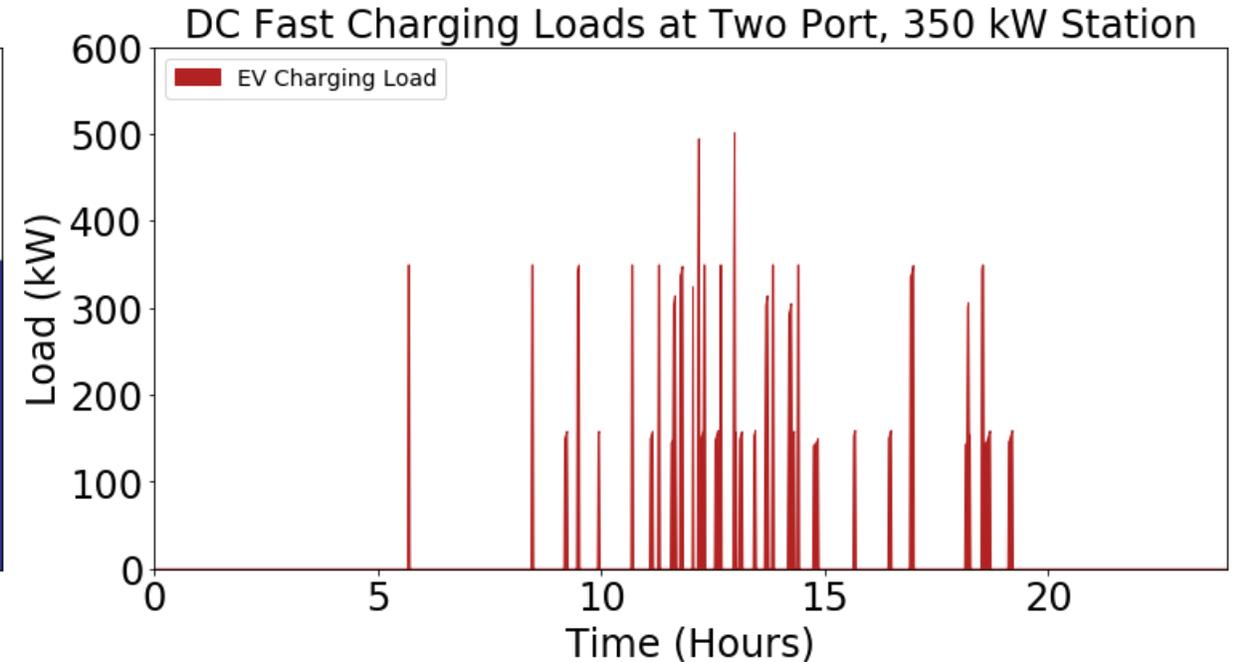
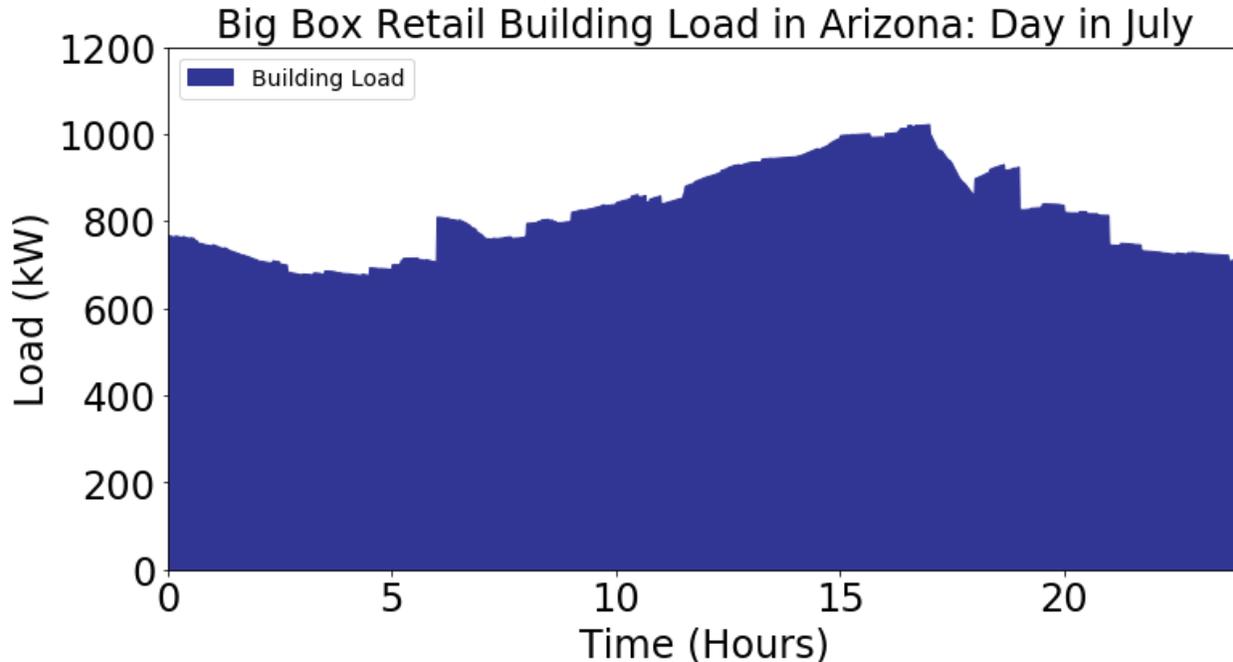
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# Why Behind the Meter Energy Storage?

- Significant electrical loads in buildings, largely due to thermal loads for HVAC and refrigeration
- Potentially large and irregular demands due to electric vehicle (EV) fast charging
- Potentially high penetrations of on-site intermittent renewable energy (i.e., solar PV)

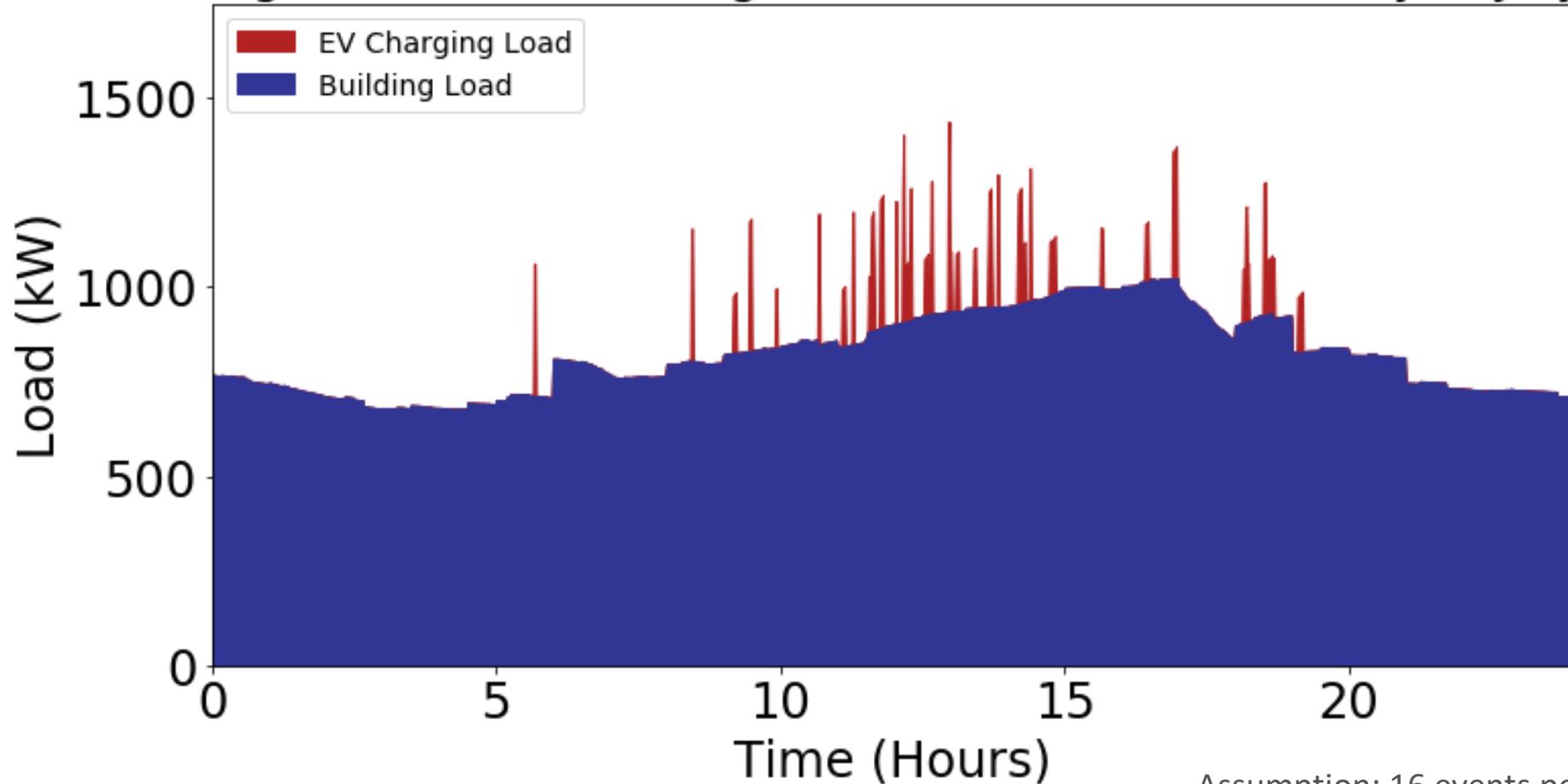


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# Combined Building and EV Charging Loads

A big box retail grocery store with extreme fast charging would have high electricity demands that are unpredictable due to EV fast charging

## Big Box Retail Building + EV Combined Load: Day in July

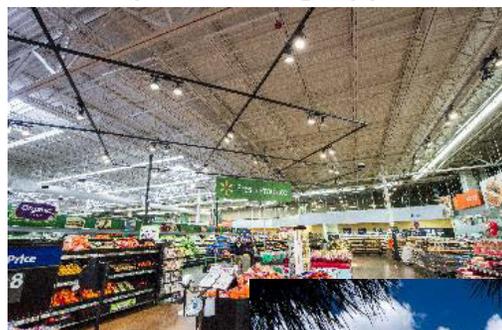


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# Behind the Meter Storage (BTMS) Analysis

What are the **optimal system designs** and **energy flows** for thermal and electrochemical behind-the-meter-storage with on-site PV generation enabling fast EV charging?

Vary building type

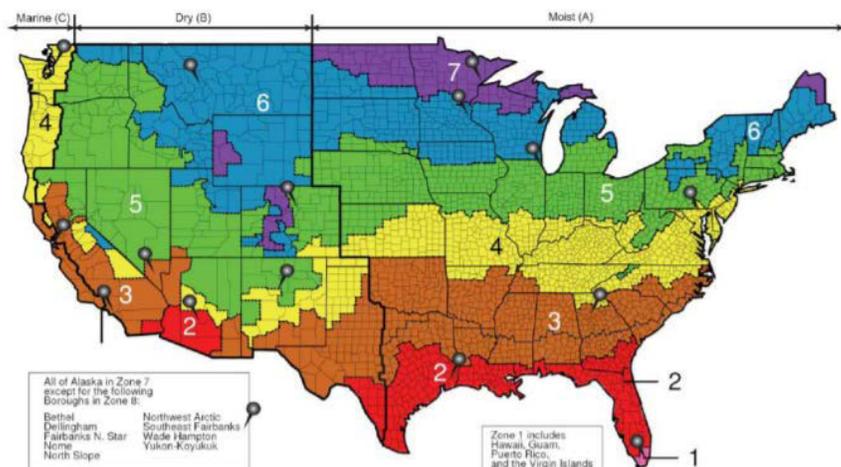


Vary electric rate tariff

Weekday Schedule

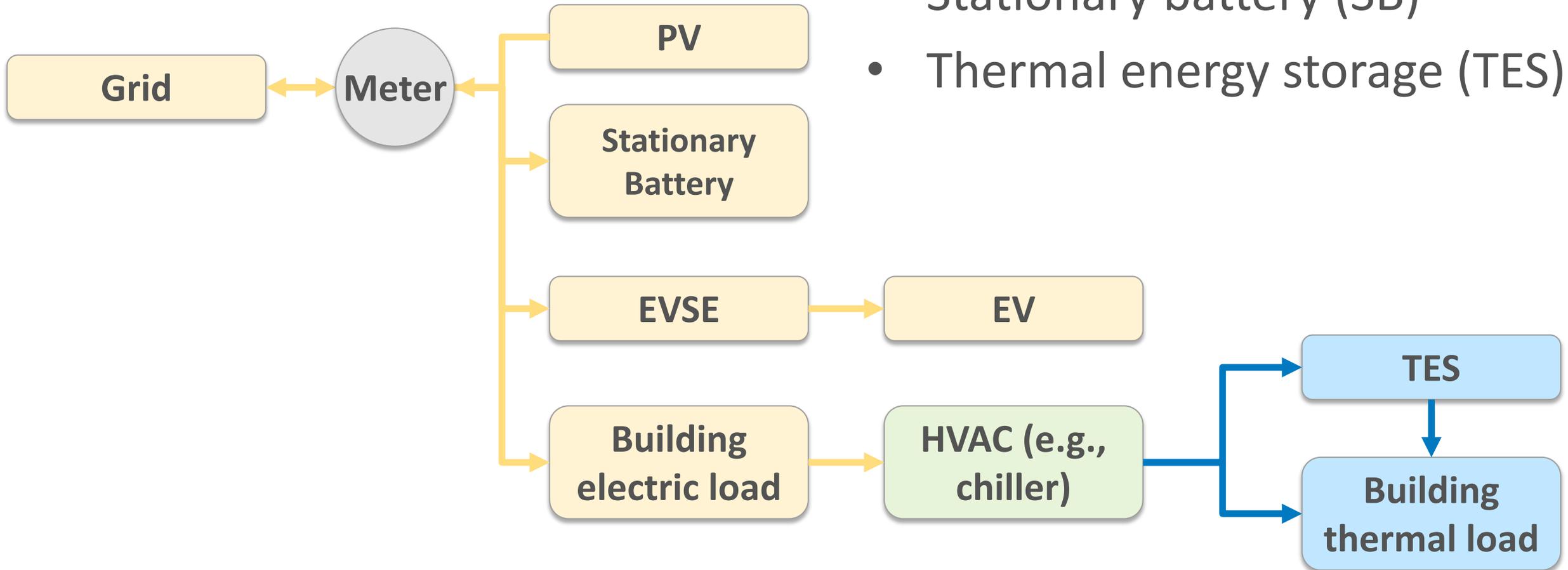
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Vary climate



# Optimize System Sizing to Minimize Cost: PV + SB + EV + TES

- Solar photovoltaic (PV)
- Stationary battery (SB)
- Thermal energy storage (TES)



# Multi-tool Simulation Platform: EnStore

- To complete this analysis, the team is developing a multi-tool simulation platform called **EnStore** (Energy Storage)
- EnStore leverages several existing tools, allowing for detailed simulation of:
  - Building energy loads and thermal energy storage technologies
  - Battery performance and lifetime models

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# Reason for Tool Incorporation



REopt



## REopt

- Determine preliminary optimal PV and stationary battery sizes for each application

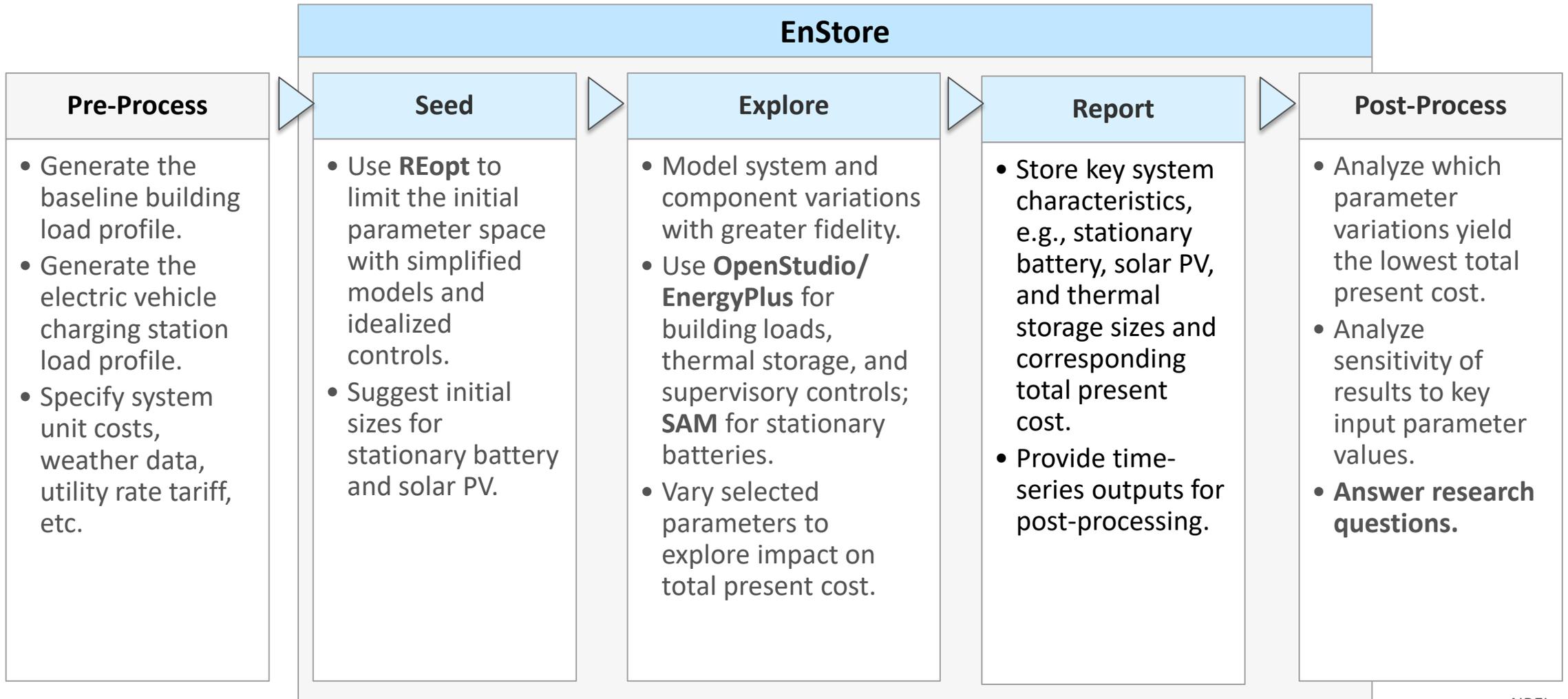
## SAM

- Use detailed battery degradation models, utility bill calculator and discounted cash flow model

## EnergyPlus/OpenStudio

- Model detailed building loads and thermal energy storage

# High-Level Draft Model Architecture



# EnStore Unique Capabilities

- Capture physical properties that may affect financial metrics (e.g., TES heat loss rates)
- Model coordinated dispatch of multiple storage systems
- Capture interactions between disparate technologies with high fidelity
  - Explore novel battery chemistries with SAM
  - Explore novel thermal storage systems with EnergyPlus

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