



# EMIS Crash Course: An Overview of Energy Management and Information Systems

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# Welcome!



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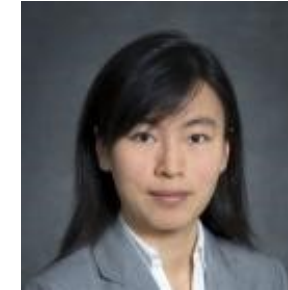
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# What we'll cover today...

- EMIS Capabilities
- Research Results on Costs and Savings
- Best Practices
- Resources

# Data Before: A big mess!

Source: Carleton College

Interval: 5 minutes  
 Date Range: 7/1/2010 00:00:00 - 11/18/2011 23:59:59  
 Report Timings: All Hours

CONTROL BUILDING TEMPERATURE: 52

ENCLOSURE TEMPERATURE: 70°F

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READINGS 11/23/11

Carleton College Water Meter Readings - Off Campus Buildings

Building	Meter #	Account #	Ser. Code	Year: 2011											
				December 2010 Reading	January Reading	Usage from Previous Month	February Reading	Usage from Previous Month	March Reading	Usage from Previous Month	April Reading	Usage from Previous Month	May		
Headley House	18059304	1-00941-01	WR1	8,478	8,806	328	9,378	572	9,579	201	9,985	406			
Headley Cottage		1-00951-04	WR1	10,648	10,953	305	11,275	322	11,715	440	12,068	353			
Rogers House		1-00961-04	WR1	30,718	32,055	1,337	32,799	744	33,857	1,058	34,861	804			
Secombe House	98165354	1-01381-02	WR1	15,034	16,037	1,003	16,870	833	17,887	1,017	18,832	945			
Sperry House		1-01391-04	WR1	26,092	28,849	2,757	27,217	368	27,619	402	28,219	600			
Whittier House	18062480	1-01481-01	WR1	22,452	23,789	1,337	24,942	1,153	26,116	1,174	27,610	1,494			
Rayment House		1-01581-02	WR1	10,761	11,138	377	11,461	323	11,814	353	12,176	362			
Hoppin House	17832598	1-01921-00	WR1	10,858	13,049	2,191	13,261	212	13,469	208	13,686	217			
108 Winona Street		1-01931-01	WR1	10,782	11,181	399	11,498	317	11,917	419	12,439	522			
Pollock House	86378117	1-01941-00	WR1	13,207	13,767	560	14,234	467	14,822	588	15,362	540			
Benton House	17080593	1-01961-00	WR1	40,014											
210 Winona Street		1-02001-01	WR1	14,212											
Parish House	98075601	1-02041-01	WR1	195,337											
Douglas House	18871644	1-02051-00	WR1	14,316											
Hill House	18239029	1-02061-00	WR1	90,377											
Huntington House	17080595	1-02081-00	WR1	30,811											
Bird House	18941025	1-02111-01	WR1	9,309											
Strong House	18871643	1-02181-00	WR1	18,796											
Jones House	17080601	1-02191-00	WR1	15,932											
Rice House	94003580	1-02201-00	WR1	48,749											
216 College Street	18627228	1-02211-02	WR1	3,027											
Page House		1-02221-04	WR1	160,409											
Arts Union		1-02298-01	WR1	4,284,400	4,284,400										

INVOICE #	LOCATION	ADDRESS	METER NUMBERS	kWh	Elec \$	ccf	Gas \$	kWh	Elec \$	ccf
INVOICE # 51-6015604-7	Seccombe House	111 & 113 Nevada	60843632	2490	\$ 262.58			2434	\$ 254.22	
	Seccombe House	111 & 113 Nevada	61453860 / 20053899	623	\$ 72.50		409 \$ 336.94	600	\$ 69.65	367
	Sperry House	107-109 Nevada St.	61453589	270	\$ 36.56			343	\$ 43.78	
	Sperry House	107-109 Nevada St.	61453862 / 615479	352	\$ 47.99		427 \$ 386.10	293	\$ 41.42	384
	Stimson House	300 E. First	58954929 / 584450	1547	\$ 164.44		331 \$ 274.26	1682	\$ 176.40	297
	Strong House	118 College	61745254 / 615129	1545	\$ 166.35		492 \$ 404.35	1500	\$ 160.27	451
	Whittier House	514 E. Second	61454973	1925	\$ 205.06			1939	\$ 204.42	
	Williams House	109 Union	61739816 / 615173	853	\$ 93.78		344 \$ 285.39	895	\$ 93.19	311
	Wilson House	115 Division	61746714 / 20249752	575	\$ 65.54		281 \$ 234.48	575	\$ 64.91	227
	TOTAL			50609	\$ 5,533.55		16436 \$ 13,594.48	48775	\$ 5,295.80	14655

INVOICE #	LOCATION	ADDRESS	METER NUMBERS	kWh	Elec \$	ccf	Gas \$	kWh	Elec \$	ccf
INVOICE # 51-5543243-8	Weitz Center for Creativity	320 T	320							
	Weitz Center - Street Lts	320 T	320							
	Allen House	111 D	111							
	Chiller Plant (CPUS)	771 S	771							

SITE	STEAM (KLB)	FEED WATER	MAKE UP WATER (GAL)	XCEL GAS (MCF)	OIL (GAL)	DOMESTIC WATER (GAL)	LOOP (GAL)	TOWER (GAL)	NOVEMBER-11				
									Boiler #1	Boiler #2	Boiler #3	Boiler #4	Boiler #5
1	280	358	3,660	340	0	122,826	420	0	0	0	0	24	
2	290	383	5,320	354	0	105,529	420	0	0	0	0	24	
3	340	427	4,420	409	0	122,300	490	0	0	0	0	24	
4	334	420	4,570	402	0	152,963	420	0	0	0	0	24	
5	265	333	3,640	319	0	96,494	2,740	0	0	0	0	24	

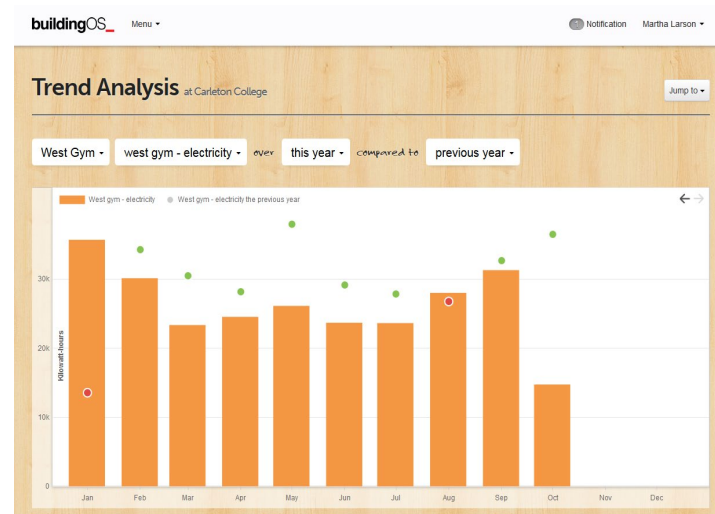
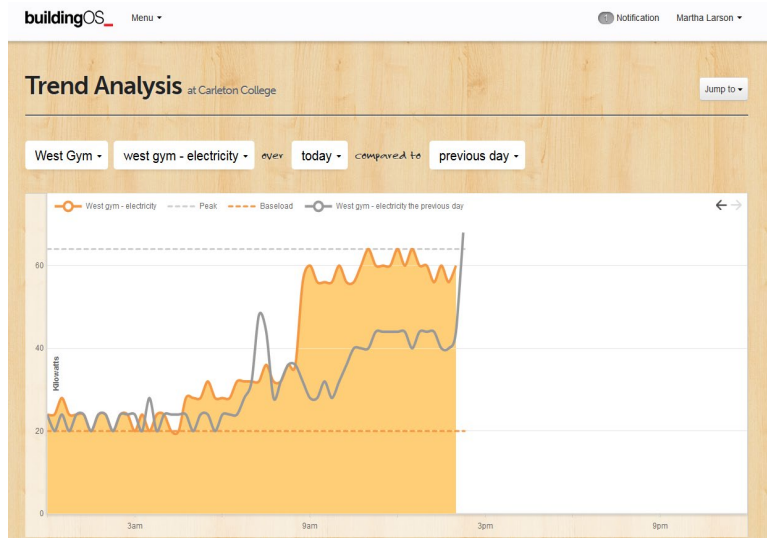
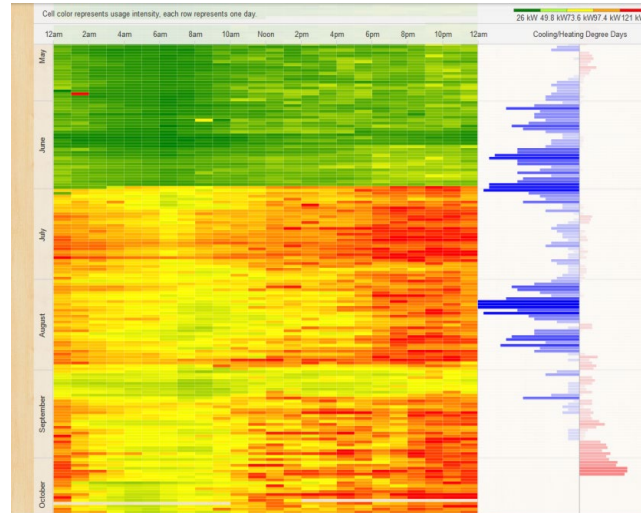
CHILLER PLANT												Chiller Location:	
LIQUID CHILLER												System No.:	
												5	
Date	Time	Midnight	2:00 AM	4:00 AM	6:00 AM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Noon	2:00 PM	4:00 PM	6:00 PM	8:00 PM	10:00 PM
Hour Meter		3141.5	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7	3141.7
O.A. Temperature D.B./W.B.		51.5/59	52.1/64	51.6/71	50.1/73	49.2/74	48.2/75	47.2/76	46.2/77	45.2/78	44.2/79	43.2/80	42.2/81
Oil Level		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oil Pressure		4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
Oil Temp.		15.4	13.4	13.2	12.1	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4	12.4
Seal Oil Level		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discharge Temp.		9.9	10.0	9.7	9.6	10.4	10.0	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8
% Motor Current		4.0	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Volts		412.3	412.3	412.0	418.0	422.6	422.6	422.6	422.6	422.6	422.6	422.6	422.6
Amperes		2.2	2.3	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
Return Pressure		4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Set Temp.		4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Inlet Pressure		7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7	7.7
Return Temp.		4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7
Outlet Pressure		7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
Leaving Temp.		4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
Flow Rate GPM		741	741	741	741	741	741	741	741	741	741	741	741
Discharge Pressure		4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Set Temp.		4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2
Return Temp.		5.5	5.9	6.0	6.7	6.9	7.4	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.4
Inlet Pressure		3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Leaving Temp.		5.6	6.2	6.3	7.2	7.3	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1	8.1
Outlet Pressure		2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
Flow Rate GPM		184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5	184.5
MC TEMPS		6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
MCSCWS		4.5	4.1	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5
Other A/C Temp.		1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9

Performance  
 Start Time: 11/1/2011 12:00:00 AM End Time: 12/1/2011 12:00:00 AM

System	Availability (%)	Production (kWh)	Consumption (kWh)	Grid Operating Time (hh:mm:ss)	Turbine OK (hh:mm:ss)	Down Time (hh:mm:ss)	Service Time (hh:mm:ss)	Repair Time (hh:mm:ss)	Grid Outage (hh:mm:ss)	Weather Outage (hh:mm:ss)	External Stop Time (hh:mm:ss)	External Stop Power Time (hh:mm:ss)
WTG001	99.99	476958.00	610.00	612:35:08	701:18:46	00:00:00	00:02:37	00:00:00	00:00:00	19:38:37	00:00:00	00:00:00
Sum	NA	476958.00	610.00	612:35:08	701:18:46	00:00:00	00:02:37	00:00:00	00:00:00	19:38:37	00:00:00	00:00:00
Average	99.99	476958.00	610.00	612:35:08	701:18:46	00:00:00	00:02:37	00:00:00	00:00:00	19:38:37	00:00:00	00:00:00
Minimum	99.99	476958.00	610.00	612:35:08	701:18:46	00:00:00	00:02:37	00:00:00	00:00:00	19:38:37	00:00:00	00:00:00
Maximum	99.99	476958.00	610.00	612:35:08	701:18:46	00:00:00	00:02:37	00:00:00	00:00:00	19:38:37	00:00:00	00:00:00

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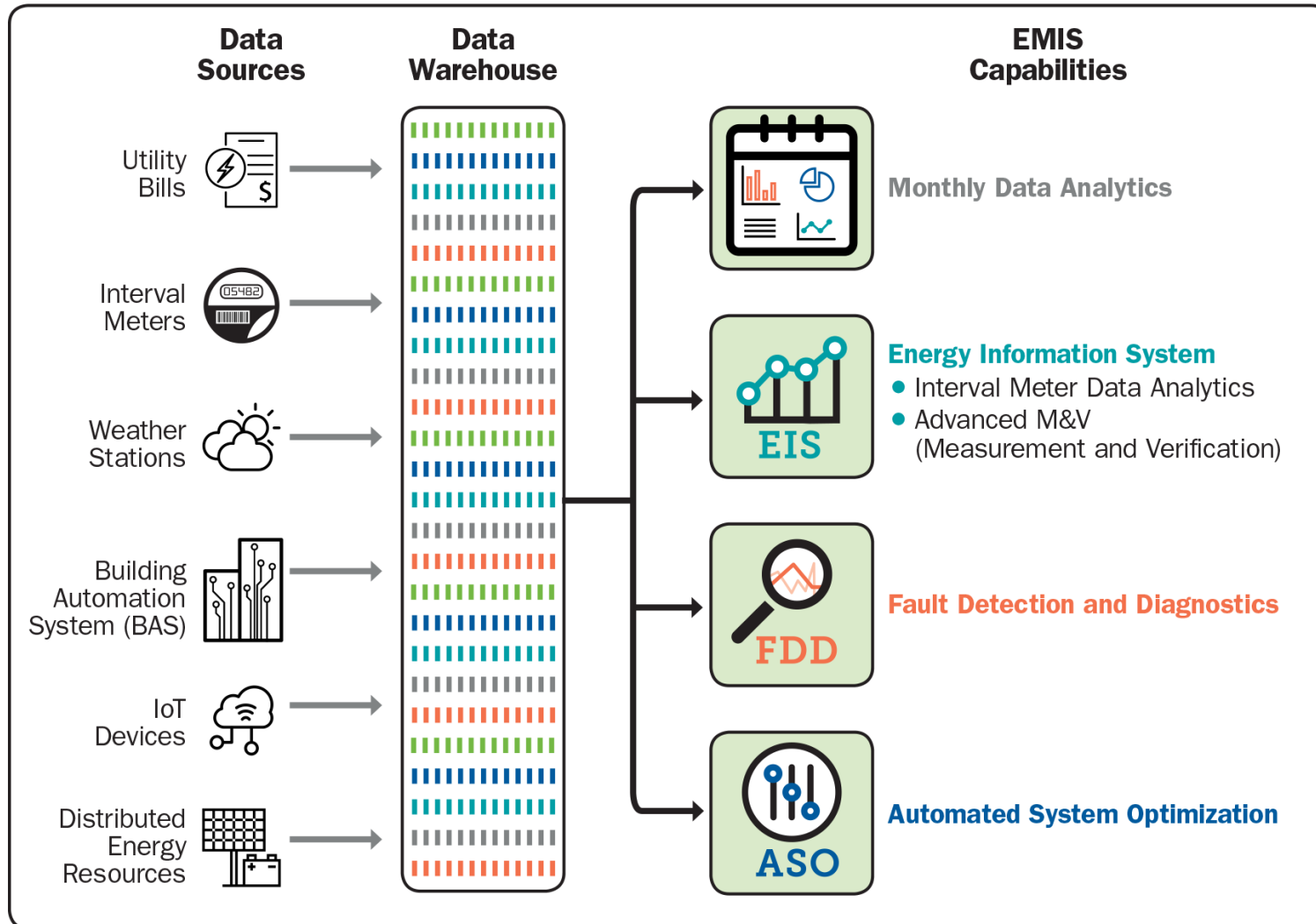
Facility	Meter	Scope	Data Service	Last reading	Status
Faculty Club / An...	Faculty Club/A...	Bill	Urjanet Bills	Sep 23, 2014 23:00	Online
Geffert House	Geffert House...	Whole building	Urjanet Bills	Aug 25, 2014 23:00	Online
Geffert House	Geffert House...	Whole building	Urjanet Bills	Aug 25, 2014 23:00	Online
Goodhue Hall	Goodhue - Ele...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Goodhue Hall	Goodhue Hall...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Goodhue Hall	Goodhue Hall...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Gould Library	Gould Library...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Gould Library	Gould Library...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Gould Library	Gould Library...	Whole building	SIEMENS	29 minutes ago	Online
Headley Cottage	Headley Cottag...	Whole building	Urjanet Bills	Aug 24, 2014 23:00	Online
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Headley House	Headley House...	Whole building	Urjanet Bills	Aug 24, 2014 23:00	Online



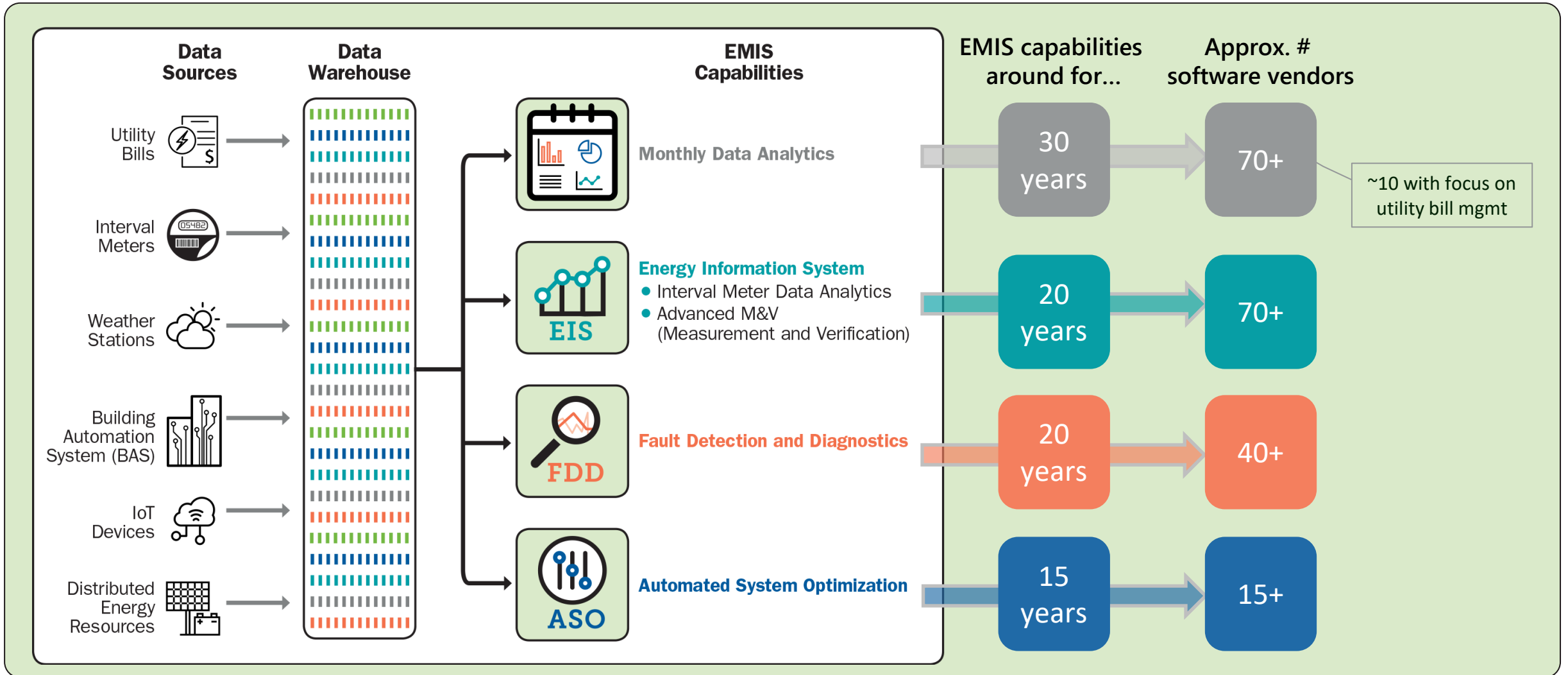
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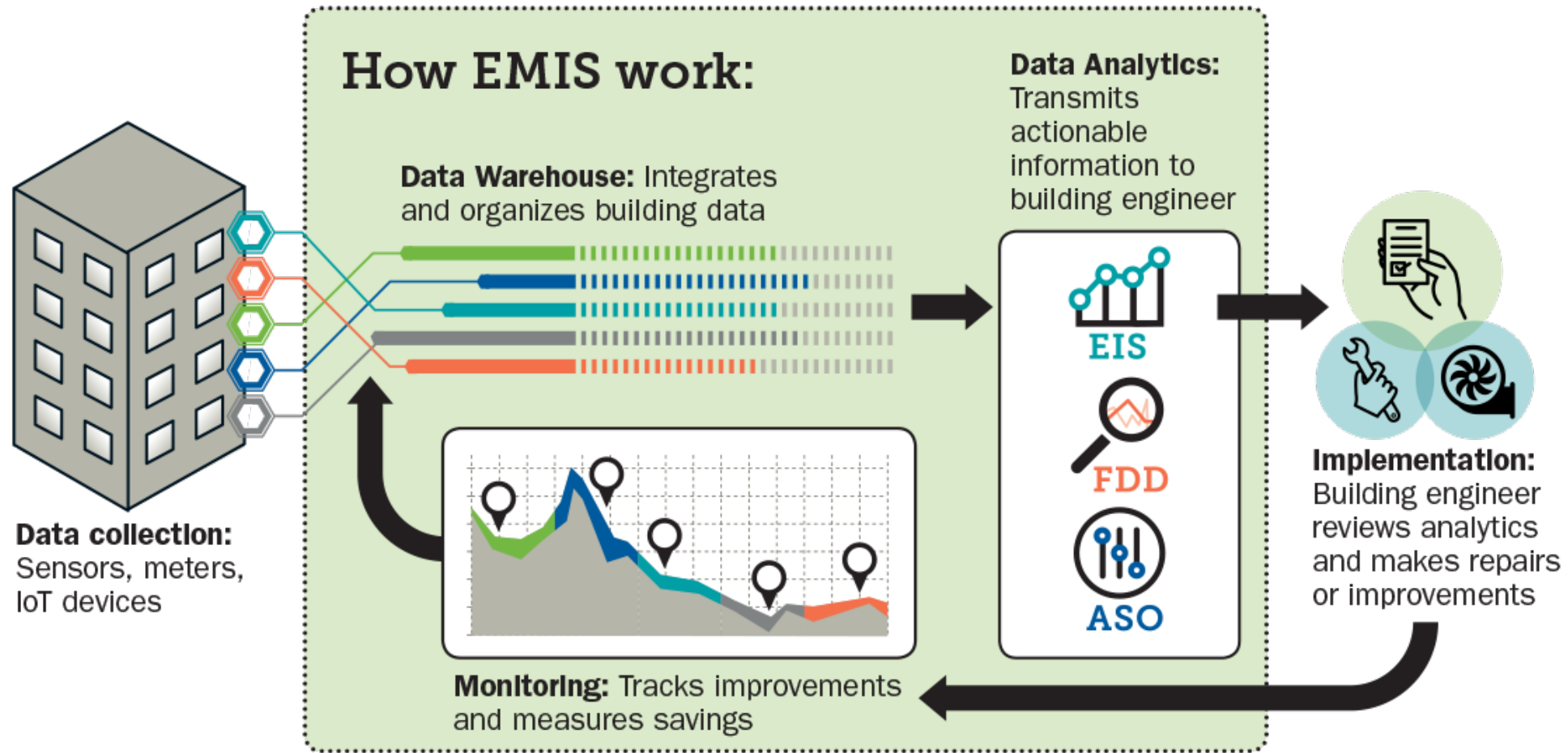
# Energy Management and Information Systems (EMIS) Overview



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# EMIS Tools in Action: Monitoring-based Commissioning (MBCx) and other Energy Management Processes



**EMIS TOOLS:** Energy information systems (**EIS**) help find energy waste using smart meter data. Fault detection and diagnostic tools (**FDD**) detect and prioritize HVAC system faults. Automated system optimization (**ASO**) includes control algorithms to minimize energy use across systems.

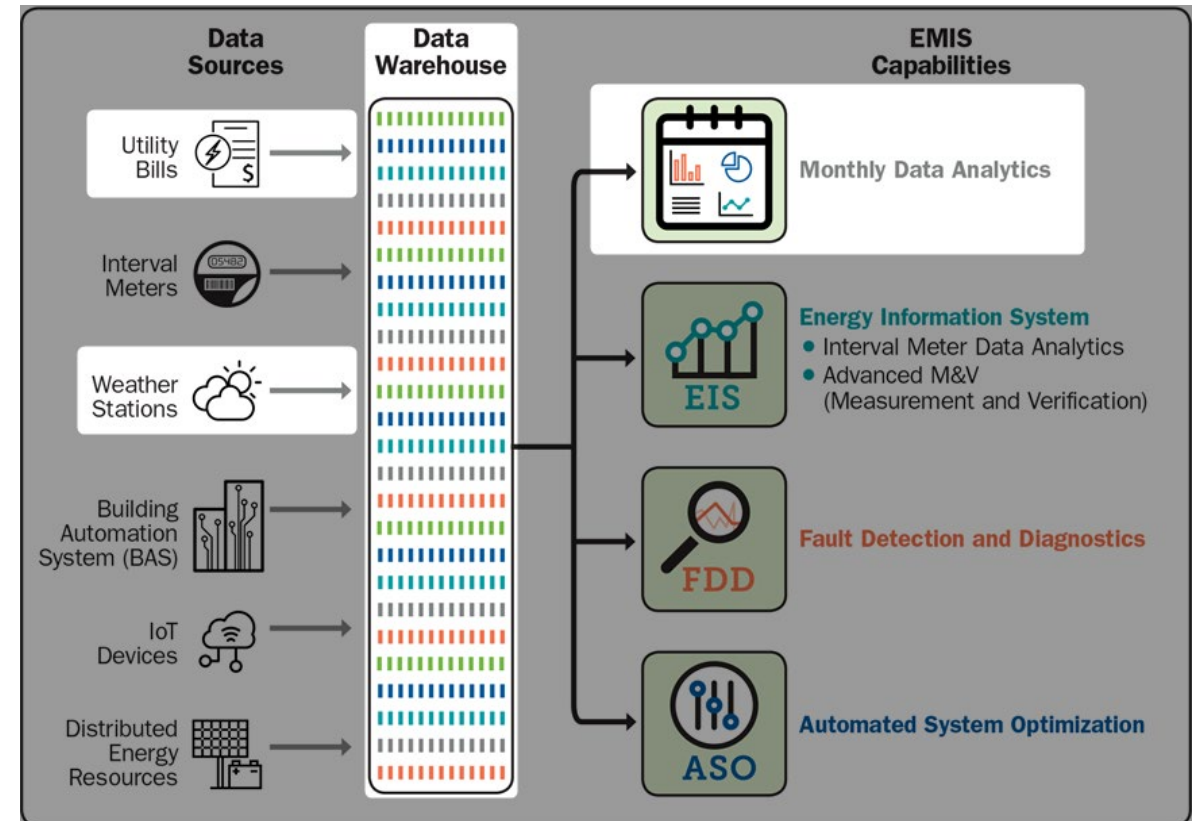


# Monthly Data Analytics: Benchmarking and Monthly Utility Bill Analysis

Software that compares a building's performance to peer groups or to historical performance using monthly utility bill data

## Applications

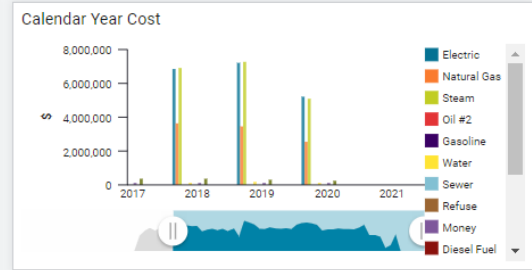
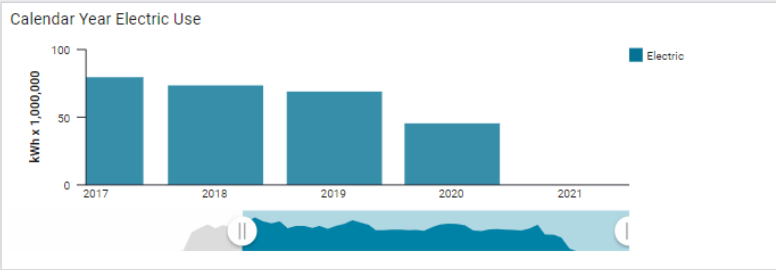
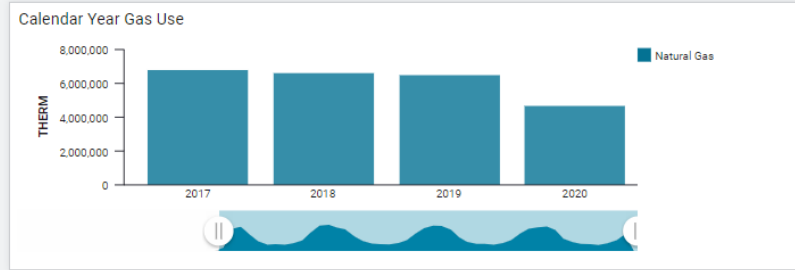
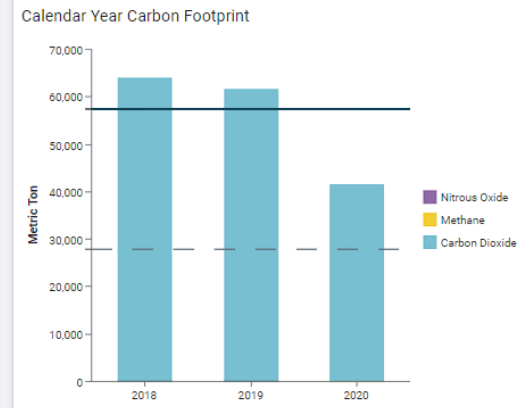
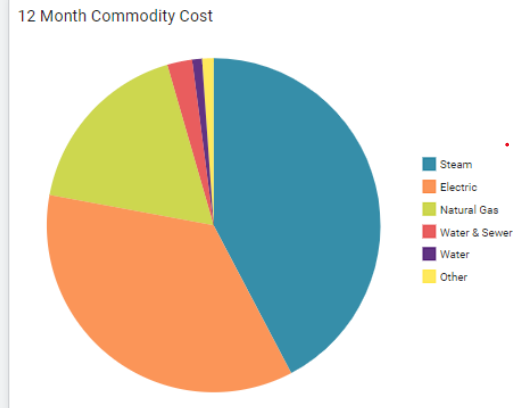
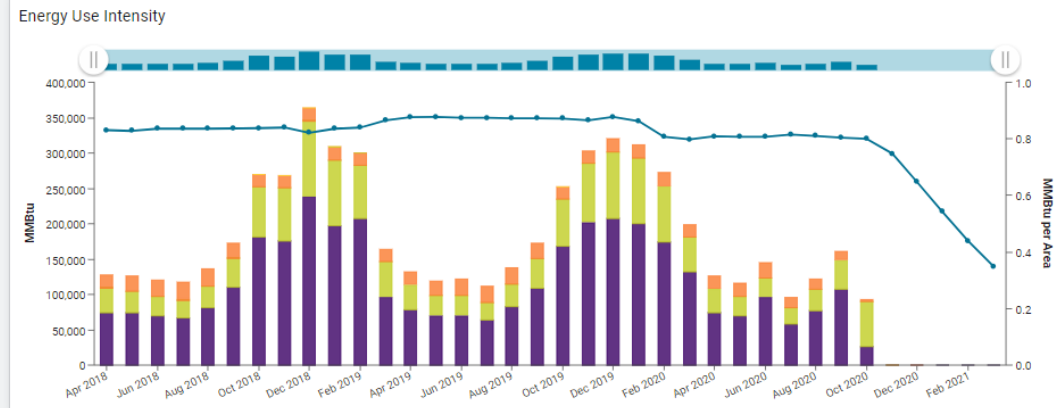
- Energy use and cost tracking
- Benchmarking against a portfolio
- Link to ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager
- Utility bill reconciliation



# Monthly Data Analytics: Benchmarking and Monthly Utility Bill Analysis



Filter by building or building group



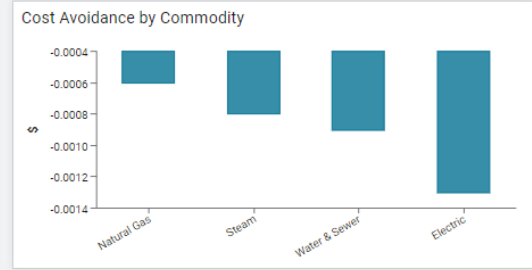
### Rolling 12-Month Performance

Commodity	Cost	Use	Unit Cost
Total	\$ 17,378,101 <span>▲51%</span>	<span>▲68%</span>	
Steam	\$ 6,855,880 <span>▲85%</span>	<span>▲79%</span>	\$ 5.236 /klb
Electric	\$ 6,402,062 <span>▲15%</span>	<span>▲21%</span>	\$ 0.083 /kWh
Natural Gas	\$ 3,480,850 <span>▲92%</span>	<span>▲71%</span>	\$ 0.514 /THERM

September 2016-August 2017    September 2017-August 2018

### Most Expensive Meters, Last Fiscal Year

Steam Plant Production	\$2,183,153
Steam Plant - NG - 01	\$1,993,846
Master ELE Meter - Supply and Distribution	\$1,071,264
Central Services - STM01	\$920,525
Summary Meter - Combine Supply and Distribution	\$659,808
Equipment Shed - ELE01	\$633,211
Superior Court - ELE01	\$552,562
Classroom Building - STM - 01	\$513,624



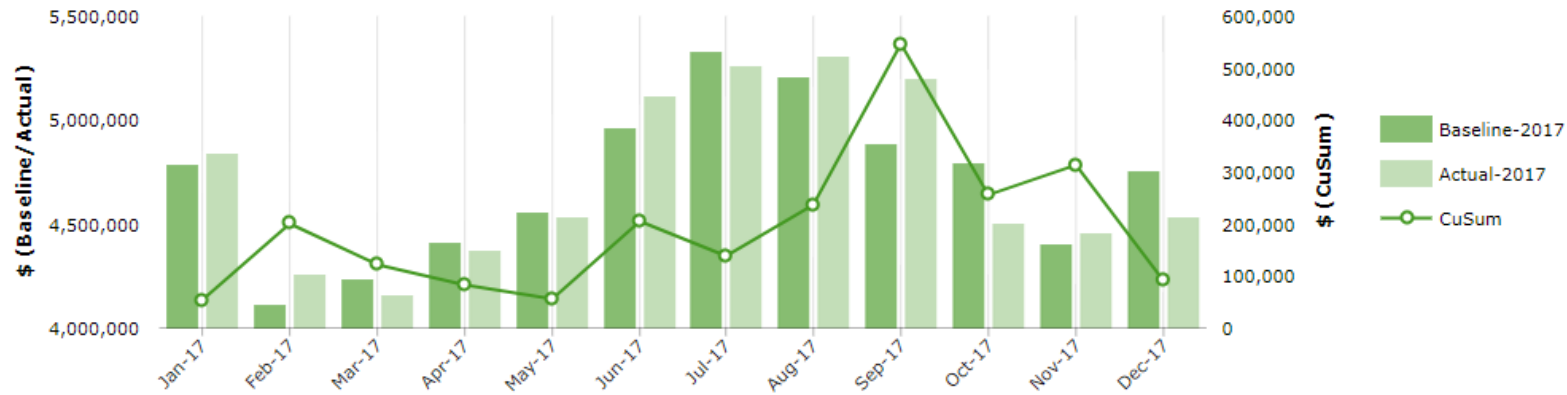
Source: [EnergyCAP](https://www.energycap.com)

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## Bill Variance

### Electricity Enterprise (\$)



Source: [Energy Hippo](#)

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Source: [EnergyCAP](#)

## ENERGY STAR® PortfolioManager

MyPortfolio

Sharing

Reporting

Properties (410)

Add a Property

### Source EUI Trend (kBtu/ft<sup>2</sup>)



Source: [Overview of ENERGY STAR for buildings and plants](#)

# Monthly Data Analytics: Benchmarking and Monthly Utility Bill Analysis

## Examples

- ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager (benchmarking)
- EnergyCAP
- Energy Hippo
- EnergyPrint
- EnergyWatch
- Enertiv
- ENGIE Impact
- JadeTrack
- Bill Identity
- Dude Solutions

## Benefits

- Set energy goals and track progress
- Benchmark buildings to prioritize efforts (using internal and/or external comparisons)
- Streamline bill payment processing

## Energy savings enabled with benchmarking

- Average annual energy savings of 2.4%<sup>1</sup>

Cost - **\$\$-\$**

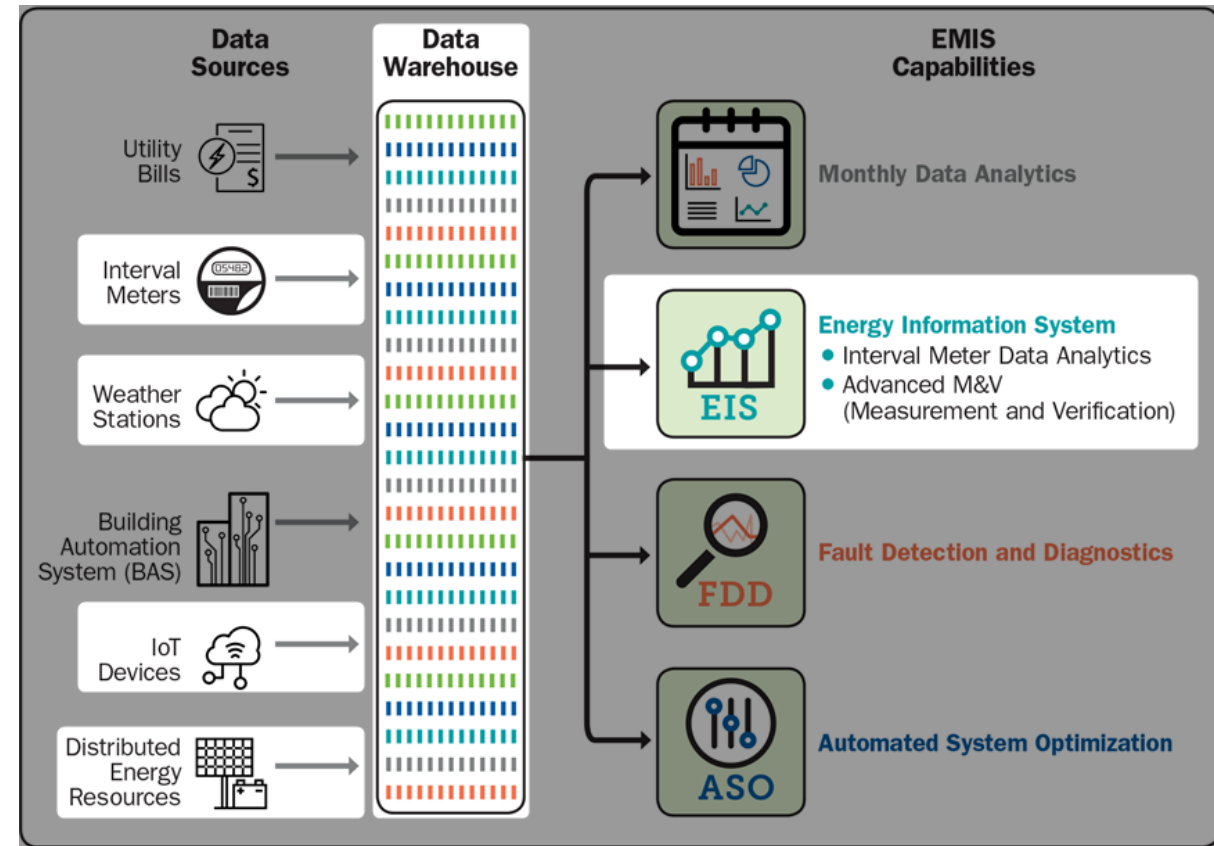
<sup>1</sup> [EPA, DataTrends: Benchmarking and Energy Savings, 2012](#)

# Energy Information System (EIS)

Software that displays and analyzes interval meter energy data

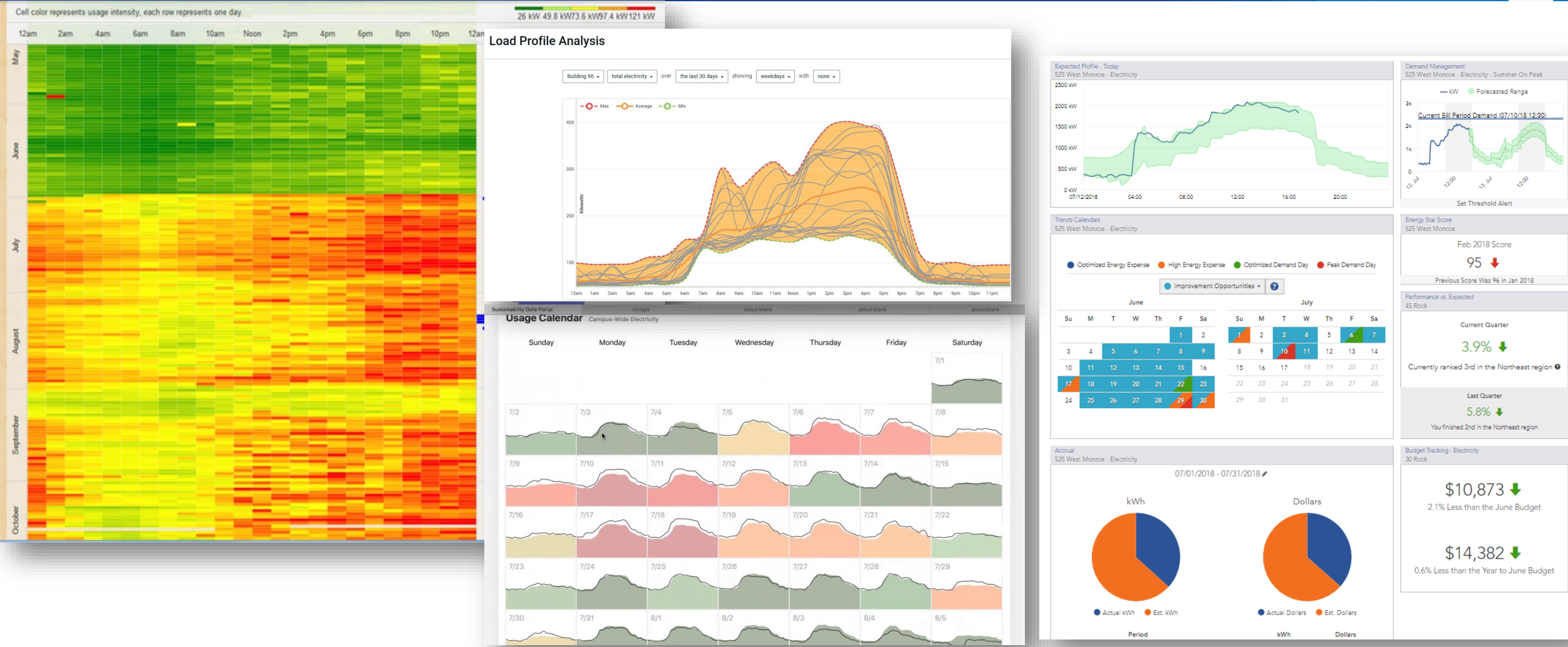
## Applications

- Whole building & submeter level energy tracking & benchmarking
- Data visualization
- Peak load analysis
- Automated energy modeling
  - Energy anomaly detection (i.e. scheduling, changes in load profile, excessive energy use)
  - Project savings verification
  - Cumulative sum of savings





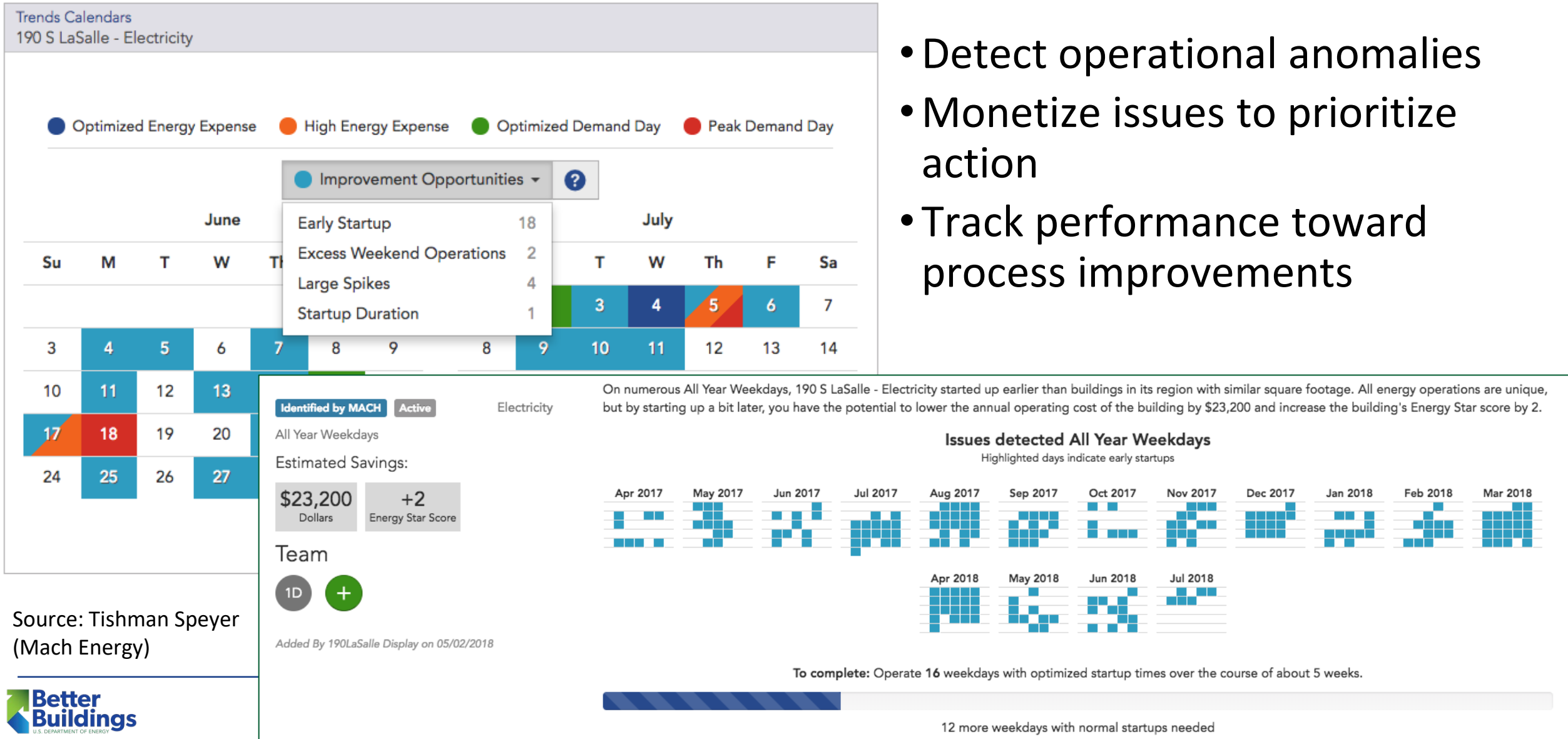
# Energy Information Systems (EIS): Find waste and verify savings using energy meter data



Images, left to right: Carleton College, LBNL, Macalester College, Tishman Speyer

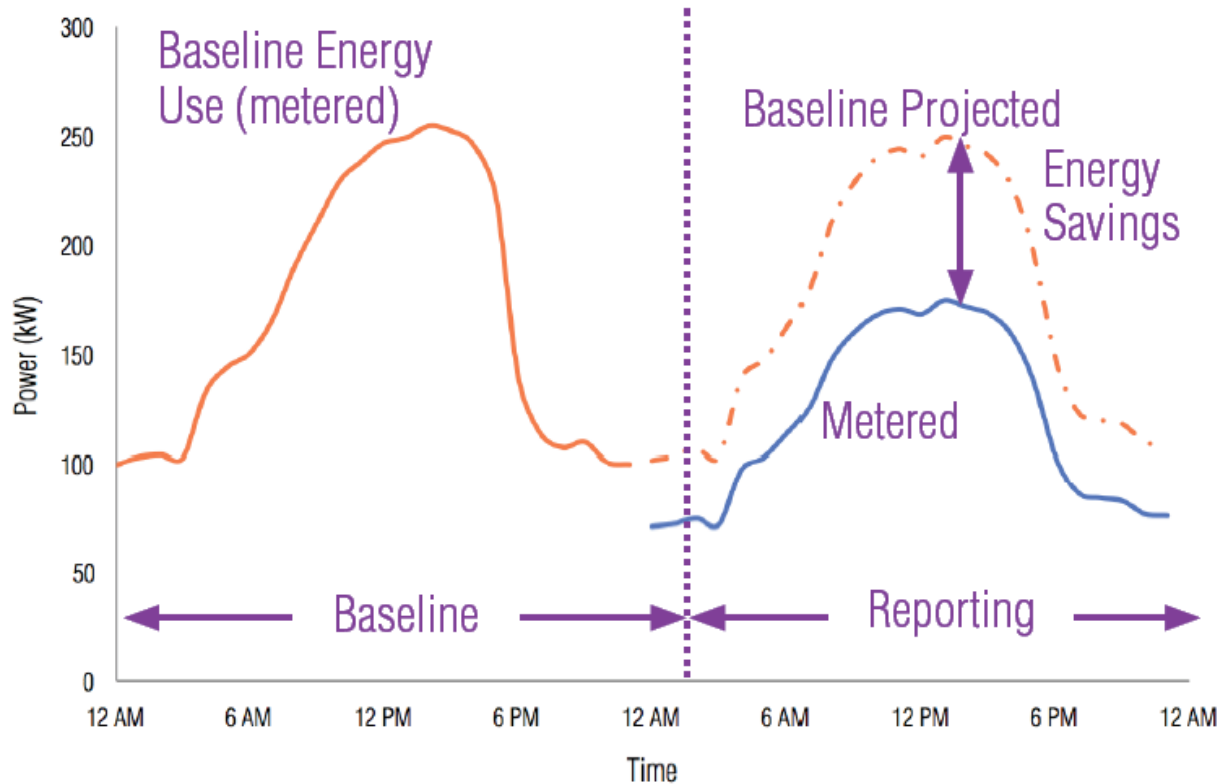
# Specific Improvement Opportunities through an EIS

- Detect operational anomalies
- Monetize issues to prioritize action
- Track performance toward process improvements

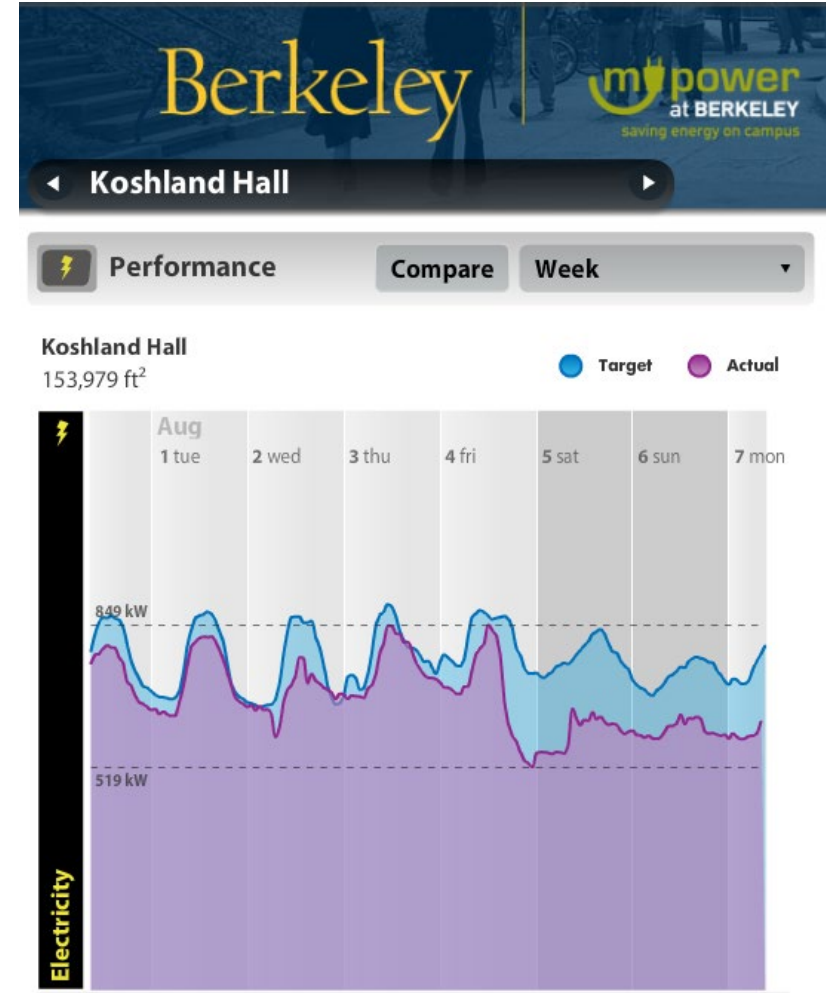


Source: Tishman Speyer  
(Mach Energy)

# Forecasting: Predicted energy use vs. actual energy use to determine savings



Graphic Source: [Energy Information Handbook](#) (LBNL, 2011)



Graphic Source: [UC Berkeley](#) (Yardi Pulse)

# Energy Information System (EIS)

## Examples

- BuildingOS
- Aquicore
- Datakwip
- eSight
- Gridium
- Hatch Data
- Mach Energy
- Melrok
- Parasense
- Periscope
- Power Takeoff
- Powerhouse Dynamics
- Senseware
- Verdigris

## ▪ Benefits

- Provide granular energy consumption history and patterns
- Review & adjust electrical demand in real time
- Alert when energy exceeds the expectation
- Take weather and occupancy changes into account

## ▪ Energy savings enabled with EIS<sup>1</sup>

- Median annual portfolio savings of 3%

## ▪ Costs

- Base cost: \$1500/bldg, \$0.01/sf, \$335/pt<sup>1</sup>
- Recurring cost: \$400/bldg, \$0.01/sf, \$150/pt<sup>1</sup>

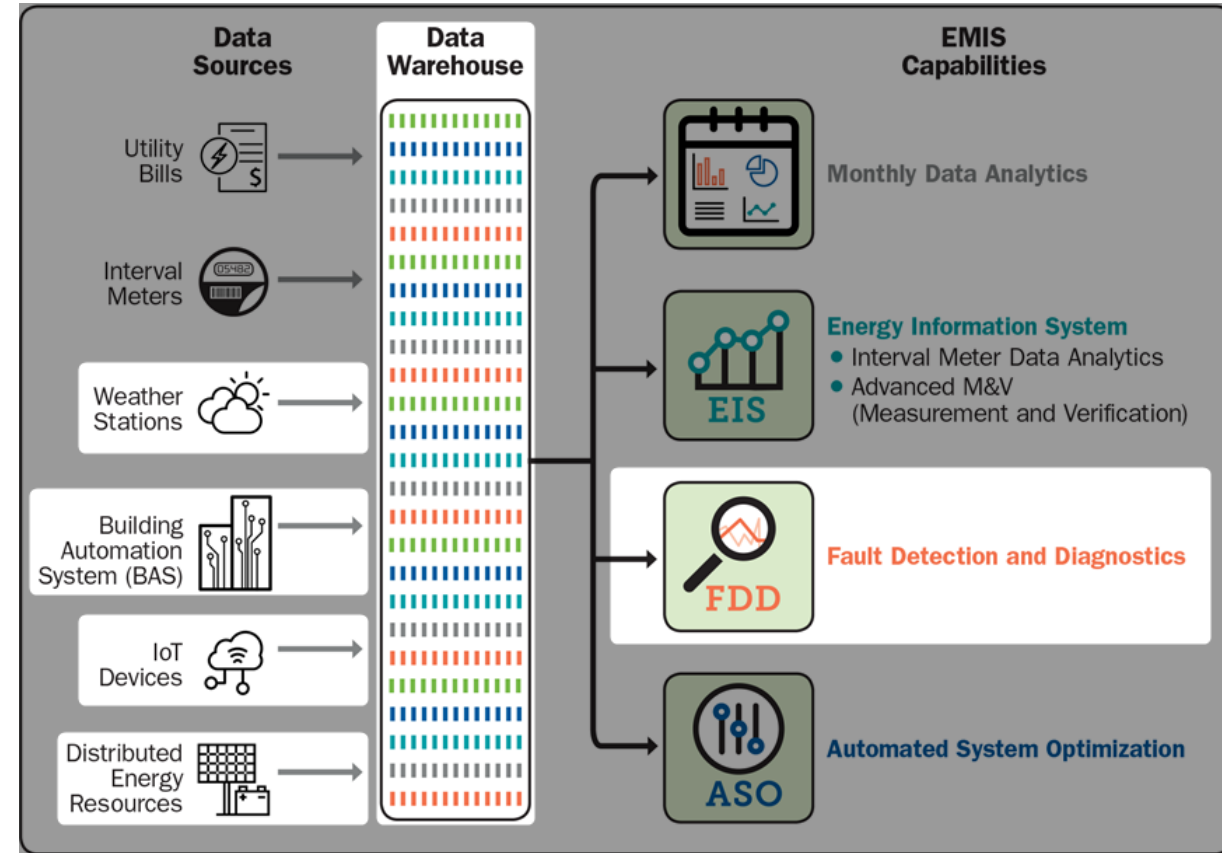
<sup>1</sup> Kramer, H., Lin, G., Curtin, C., Crowe, E., and Granderson, J. [\*Proving the Business Case for Building Analytics\*](#). Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, October 2020.

# Fault Detection and Diagnostics (FDD)

Software that automatically identifies HVAC system or equipment level faults and isolates root causes where possible

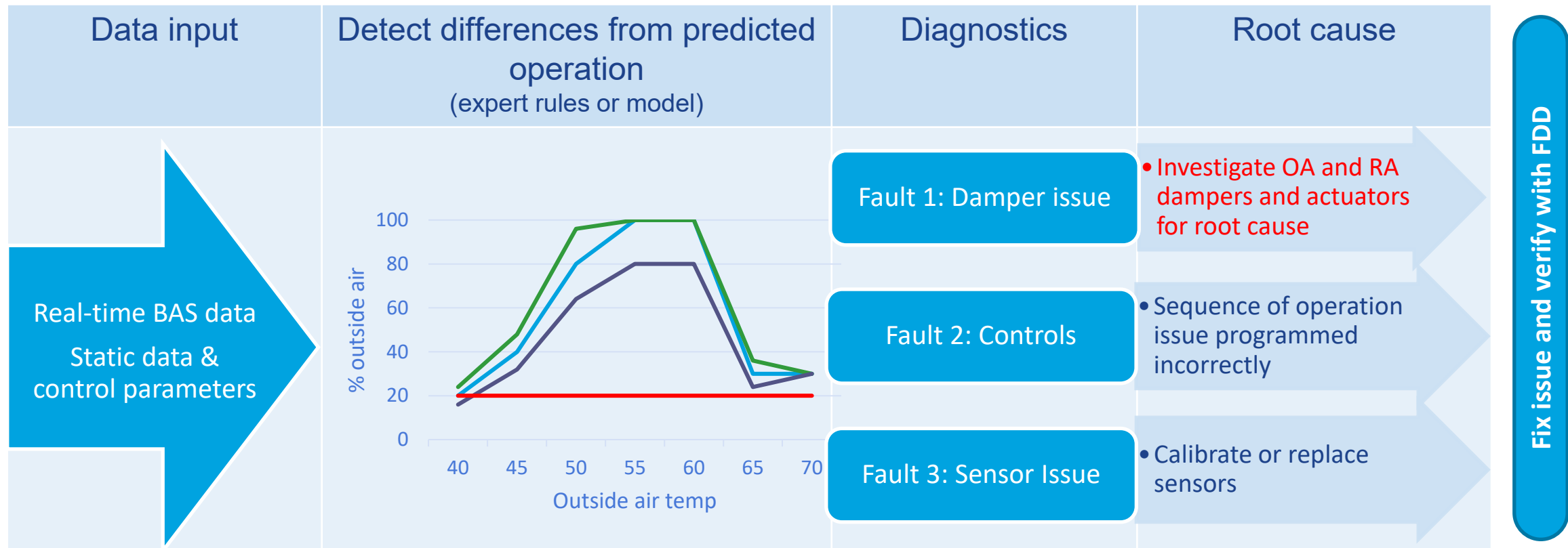
## Applications for fault detection

- Find hidden energy waste and maintain improvements
- Improve comfort
- Systems with FDD applications include:
  - Chilled water and hot water plants
  - Air handlers (simultaneous heating and cooling, economizers, leaky valves)
  - Terminal unit operation
  - Detection of sensor issues





# Fault Detection and Diagnostics (FDD)



# Fault Detection and Diagnostics (FDD): Detect, diagnose, and prioritize system faults



Building Equipment Analysis Start Date Notes Summary Tasks Cost E C M Actions

South Boston Bldg2\_VAVSystem (Ventilation System) AHU Ventilation S... 11/15/2018 Excessive reheating. 0 \$0 2

**Details**  
Daily AHU Ventilation System analysis data for Bldg2\_VAVSystem performed on 11/15/2018.

**Analysis Name:** AHU Ventilation System  
**Client Name:** Demo Site  
**Building Name:** South Boston  
**Equipment Name:** Bldg2\_VAVSystem  
**Associated Equipment:** [show associated equipment](#)  
**Points:** [show points](#)  
**Associated Equip. Points:** [show associated equipment points](#)  
**Direct Link:** <https://clockworks.kgsbuildings.com/Diagnostics.aspx?cid=79&aid=93&eid=24498&etid=156&eid=31&bid=1236&rng=DAILY&sd=11/15/2018>  
**Date:** 11/15/2018  
**Display Interval:** Daily  
**Cost Savings:** \$0  
**Comfort Priority (0-10):** 0  
**Energy Priority (0-10):** 2  
**Maintenance Priority (0-10):** 0

**Notes:** **OPPORTUNITY: EXCESSIVE REHEATING**  
 - Excessive reheating was occurring in the zone units for 4.4 hrs continuously over the analysis period, although the AHU supply air temperature is already above 60 F.

**Suggested Actions:**  
 - Consider raising the AHU supply air temperature closer to the lowest VAV supply temperature.  
 - Check that the zone unit minimum air flow setpoints are not too high.

**VENTILATION SYSTEM INFORMATION**  
 - This diagnostic detected 17 zone units in the ventilation system.  
 - 17 zones were reheating at some point over the diagnostic period (out of 17 possible).

**Faults and opportunities investigated by this diagnostic:**  
 Excessive reheating; Damper commands; Supply air temperature; Supply air...

Images, left to right: LBNL, KGS Clockworks, LBNL

# FDD Issues List helps prioritize ranking by energy cost waste

## Top 5 Issues



### Energy

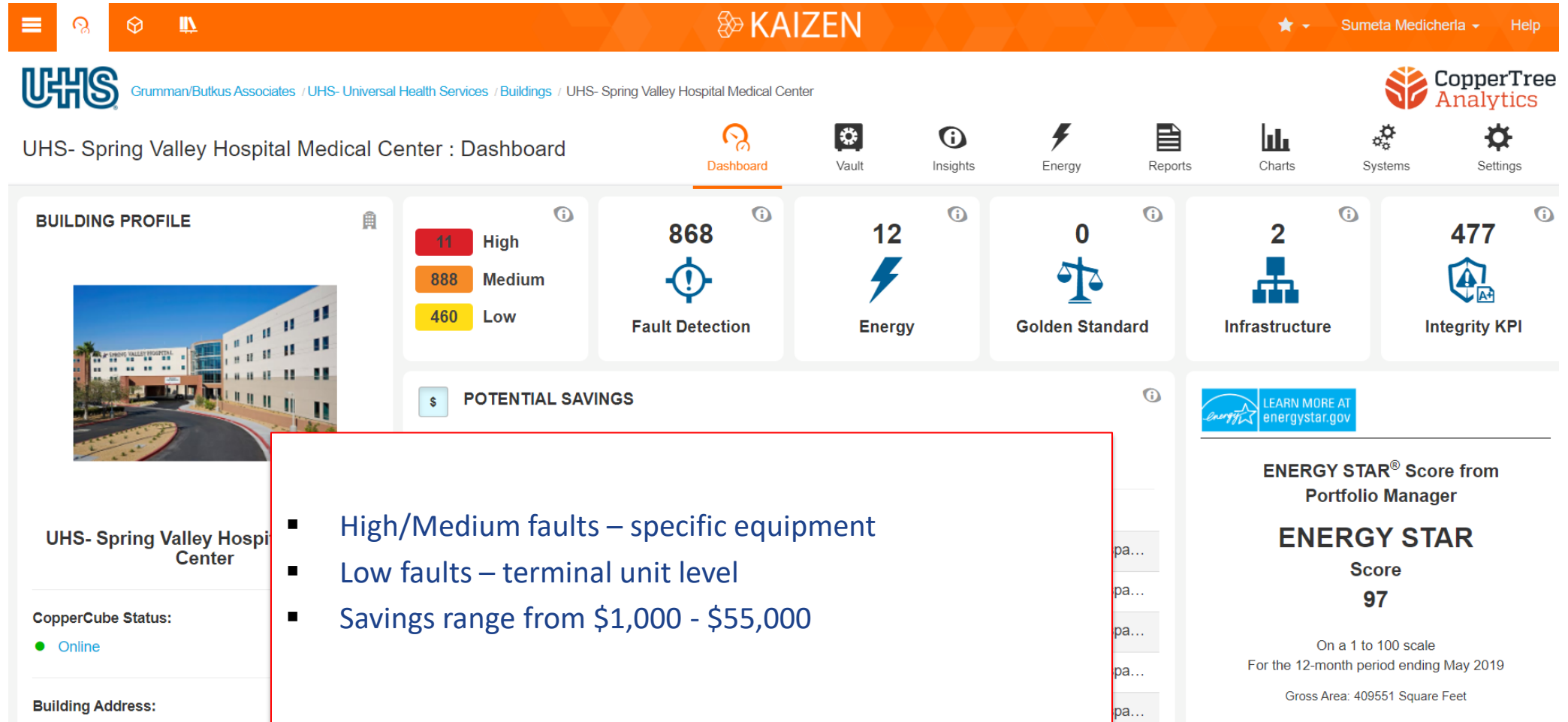
Building	Equipment	Notes	Cost/Qtr.
Anon Hospital	AHU_6_CAVs	Low Damper Position – opportunity for static pressure reset.	\$11,120
Anon Hospital	AHU_11	No supply temp reset. Cooling valve issues.	\$7,778
Anon Hospital	AHU_6	No supply temp reset. Cooling valve issues.	\$6,163
Anon Hospital	AHU_5	Supply temp lower than setpoint. No supply temp reset. Cooling valve issues.	\$5,029
Anon Hospital	AHU_4	Supply temp lower than setpoint. No supply temp reset. Cooling valve issues.	\$4,318



### Maintenance

Building	Equipment	Notes	Severity Priority
Anon Hospital	AHU_11	Static pressure lower than setpoint. Supply fan speed constant. Return fan speed constant.	6
Anon Hospital	AHU_10	Static pressure lower than setpoint. Supply fan speed constant.	6
Anon Hospital	CAV8_2	Room temp lower than setpoint. Stuck reheat valve.	4
Anon Hospital	CAV5_82	Supply flow lower than setpoint. Stuck reheat valve. – May be sensor error.	4
Anon Hospital	CAV3_11	Sensor error. Stuck reheat valve.	4

# Fault Detection and Diagnostics: Fault Dashboard



# Fault Detection and Diagnostic Tools (FDD)

## Examples

- BuildingLogix
- Cimetrics
- Clockworks Analytics
- Connex Energy
- CopperTree Analytics
- Ecorithm
- Envizi
- Ezenics
- FacilityConneX
- ICONICS
- InSite
- Interval Data Systems
- Schneider Electric EcoStruxure
- SkySpark
- Switch Automation

- Benefits
  - Automatically detects problems with less analysis time
  - Move from reactive to proactive maintenance
- Energy savings enabled with FDD<sup>1</sup>
  - Median annual portfolio savings of 9%
- Costs
  - Data acquisition, FDD setup & tuning
  - Base cost: \$12,500/bldg, \$0.05/sf, \$8/pt<sup>1</sup>
  - Recurring cost: \$3,500/bldg, \$0.02/sf, \$5/pt<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Kramer, H., Lin, G., Curtin, C., Crowe, E., and Granderson, J. [Proving the Business Case for Building Analytics](#). Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, October 2020.

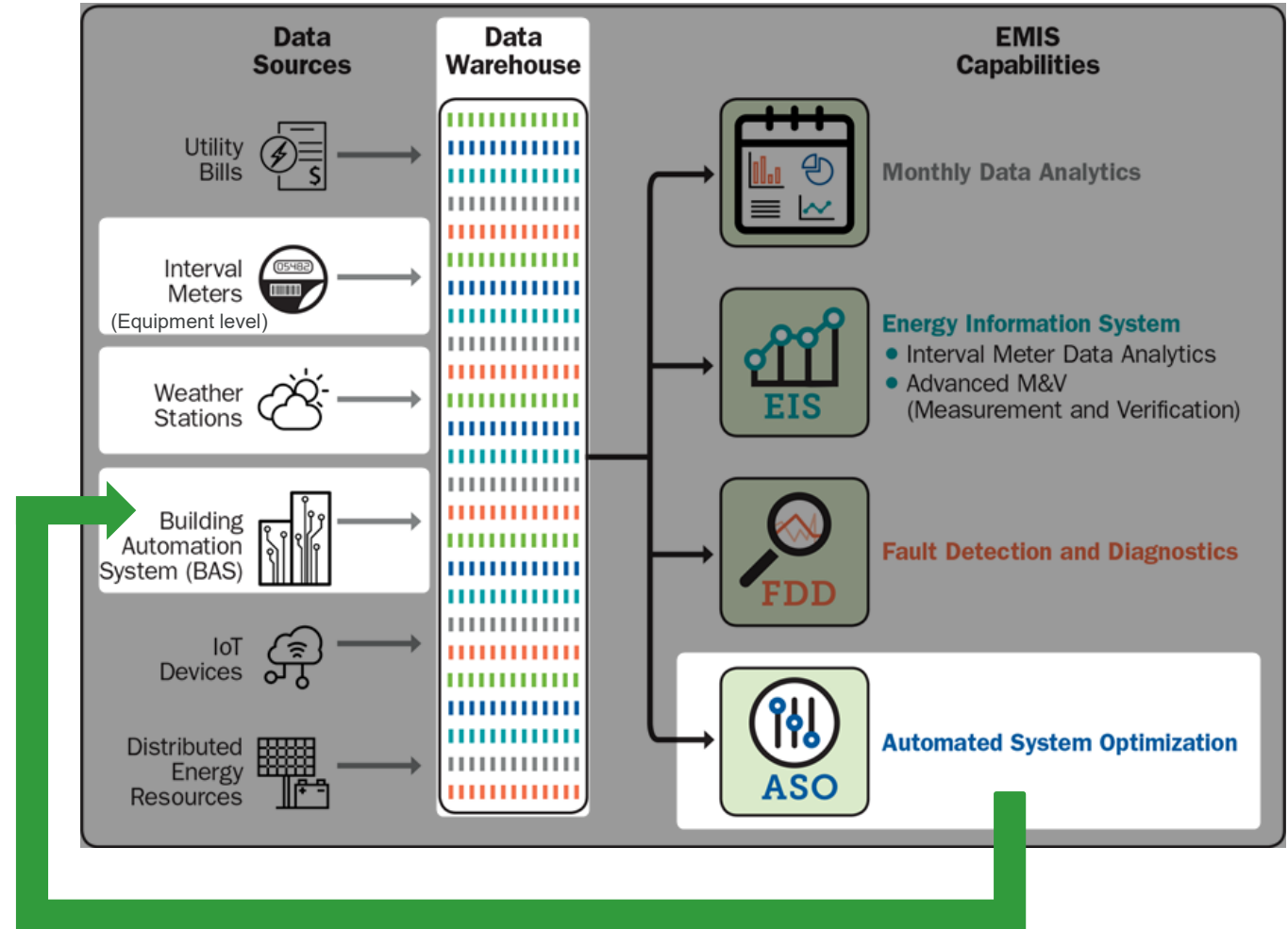


# Automated System Optimization (ASO)

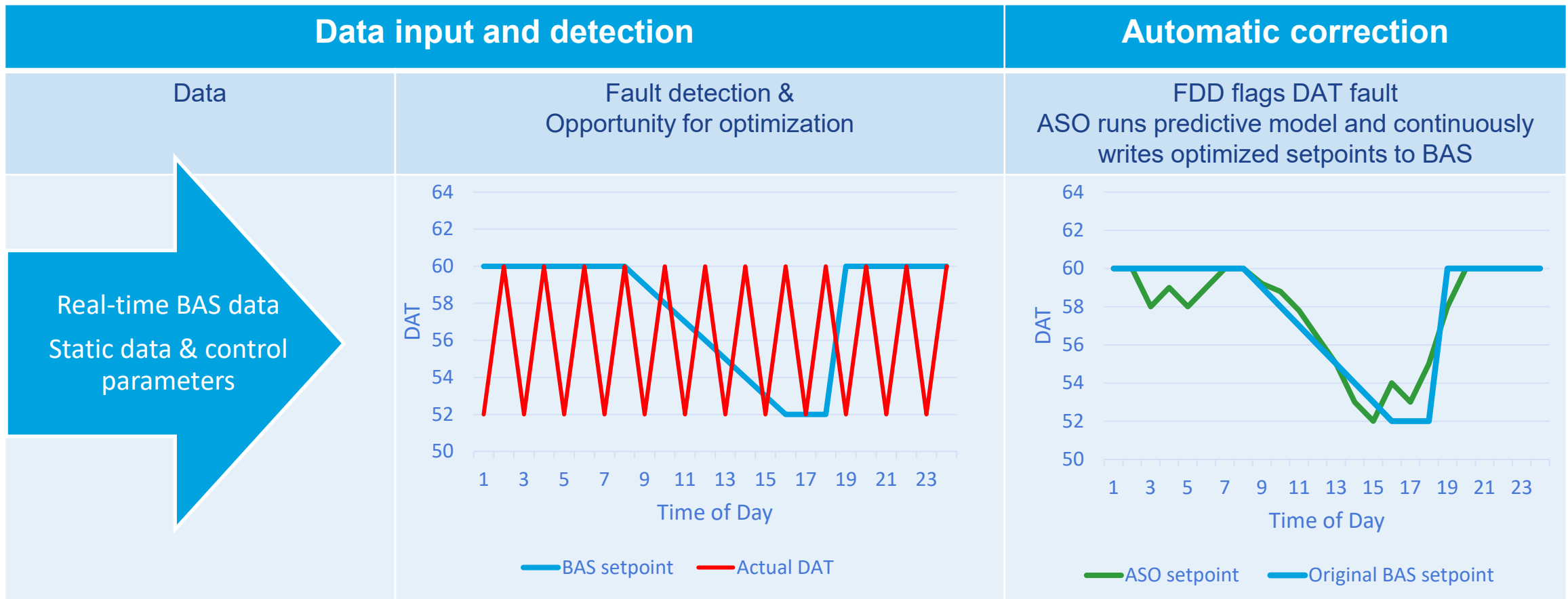
Supervisory control software that dynamically changes HVAC BAS settings to optimize system performance

## Applications

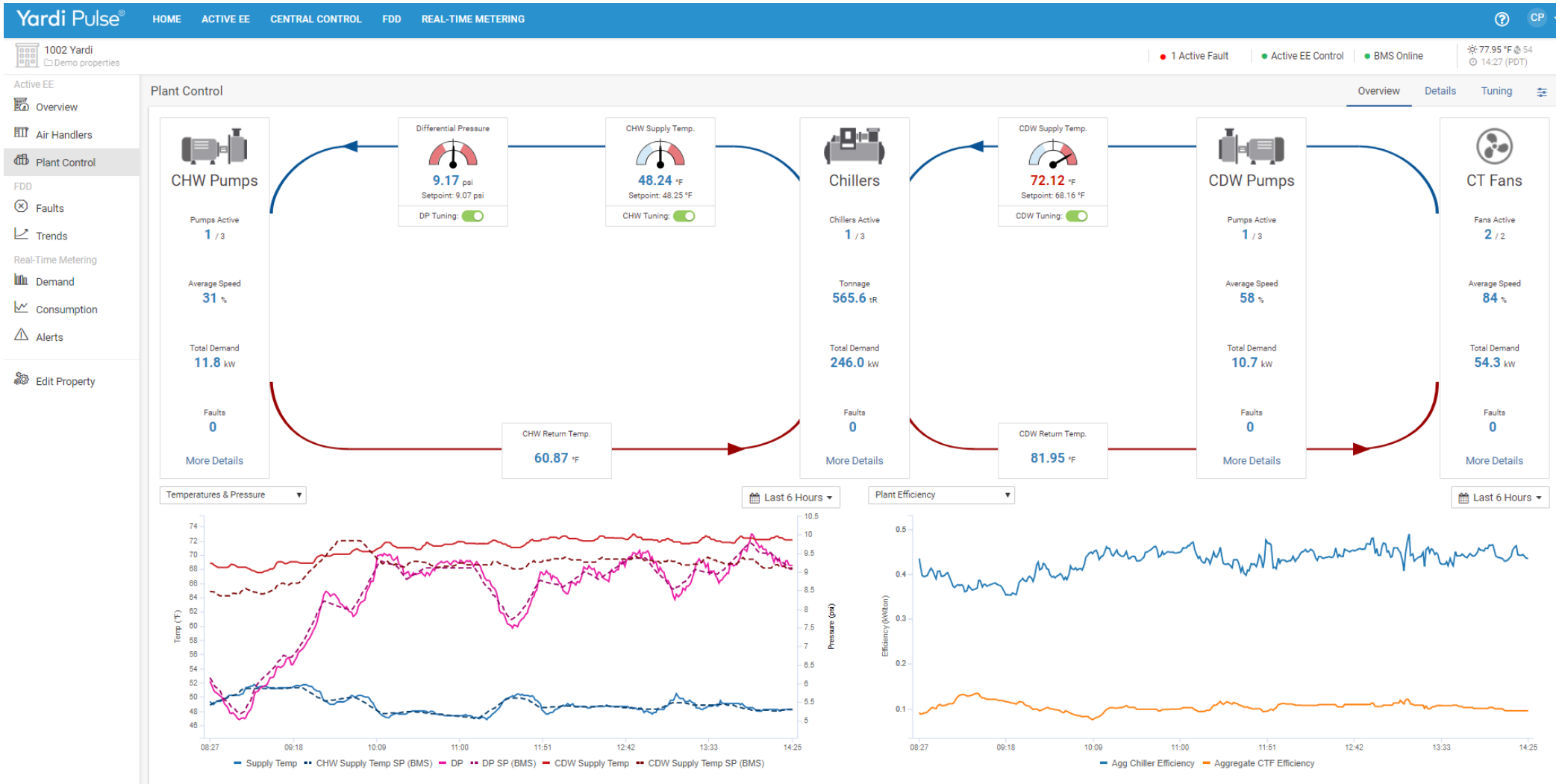
- Chilled water plant and AHU optimization
  - CHW supply temp reset
  - CW return temp reset
  - AHU duct static pressure reset
  - AHU discharge air temp reset
  - TOU pricing



# Automated System Optimization (ASO)



# Automated System Optimization (ASO): Minimize energy use across systems through control optimization



Source : Yardi Pulse

# Automated System Optimization

## Examples

- BrainboxAI
- Optimum Energy
- Prescriptive Data
- QCoefficient
- Shift Energy
- tekWorx
- Vigilant
- Yardi Pulse

- Benefits
  - Detects and automatically corrects control problems
  - Optimize for energy cost, demand charges
- Energy savings enabled with ASO
  - Dependent on base system design
- Costs-\$\$\$
  - May require variable flow air and hydronic systems (equipment upgrades)
  - Systematic collection of cost data not yet available

# Summary of EMIS Tools

	EMIS Capability	Data scope	Key uses	Costs	Whole-building energy Savings
Whole building	Monthly data analytics	Monthly utility bills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peer-to peer comparison</li> <li>Utility bill data acquisition &amp; analysis</li> <li>Budgeting</li> <li>Tenant billing</li> </ul>	\$-\$\$	2.4% median
Whole building & submeters	Energy information system (EIS)	Hourly or 15-min energy meter data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benchmarking &amp; energy dashboard</li> <li>Building load analysis</li> <li>Energy anomalies alert</li> <li>Peak demand reduction</li> <li>Automated M&amp;V</li> </ul>	\$\$ Base: \$0.01/sq ft Annual: \$0.01/sq ft	3% median, portfolio-level \$0.03/sq ft
System	FDD	15-min or less interval data from BAS and meters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>System-level performance tracking (KPIs)</li> <li>Automated fault detection &amp; notification</li> <li>Fault causes identification</li> <li>Issues tracking</li> </ul>	\$\$\$ Base: \$0.06/sq ft Annual: \$0.02/sq ft	9% median, portfolio-level \$0.24/sq ft
	ASO	15-min or less interval data from BAS and meters Supervisory control to BAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Optimal HVAC settings prediction</li> </ul>	\$\$\$\$ Higher than FDD	Field validations in progress



# Making the Business Case

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## Proving the Business Case for Building Analytics

Results from scaled implementation of Energy Management and Information Systems, as documented by the Smart Energy Analytics Campaign

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## EMIS Applications Showcase

Highlighting Applications of Energy Management and Information Systems (EMIS)

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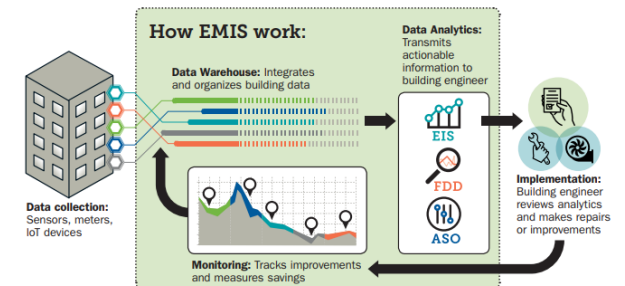
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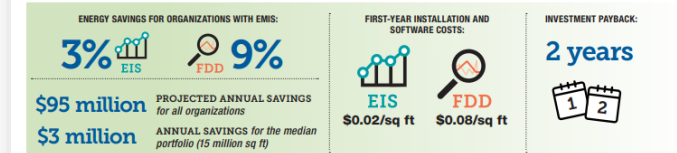
## Proving the Business Case for BUILDING ANALYTICS

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory has partnered with commercial building owners across the country to gather data on the costs and benefits of Energy Management and Information Systems (EMIS). EMIS are the technologies behind automated, data-driven energy management that help identify, diagnose, and implement building system improvements. Through this partnership, Berkeley Lab has assembled the largest dataset to date on building analytics costs and benefits, proving the business case for their use at scale.



**EMIS TOOLS:** Energy information systems (EIS) help find energy waste using smart meter data. Fault detection and diagnostic tools (FDD) detect and prioritize HVAC system faults. Automated system optimization (ASO) includes control algorithms to minimize energy use across systems.

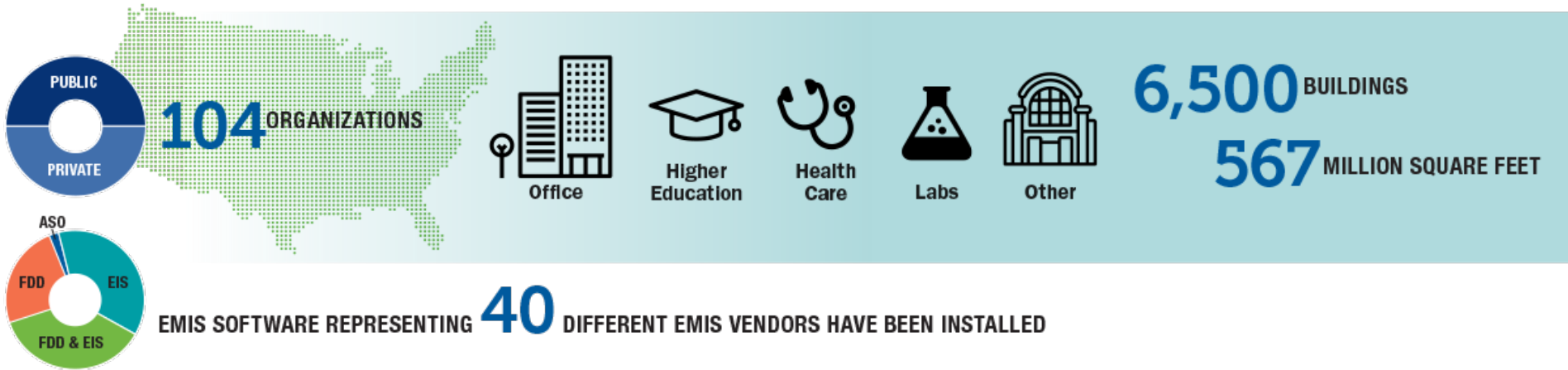
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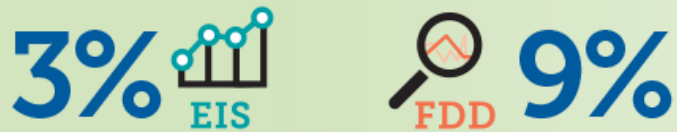
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# Smart Energy Analytics Campaign Results

## Largest Dataset Documents the Costs and Benefits of EMIS



### ANNUAL ENERGY SAVINGS FOR ORGANIZATIONS WITH EMIS:



**\$3 million**

ANNUAL SAVINGS *for the median portfolio (15 million sq ft)*

**\$95 million**

PROJECTED ANNUAL SAVINGS *for all organizations*

### FIRST-YEAR INSTALLATION AND SOFTWARE COSTS:

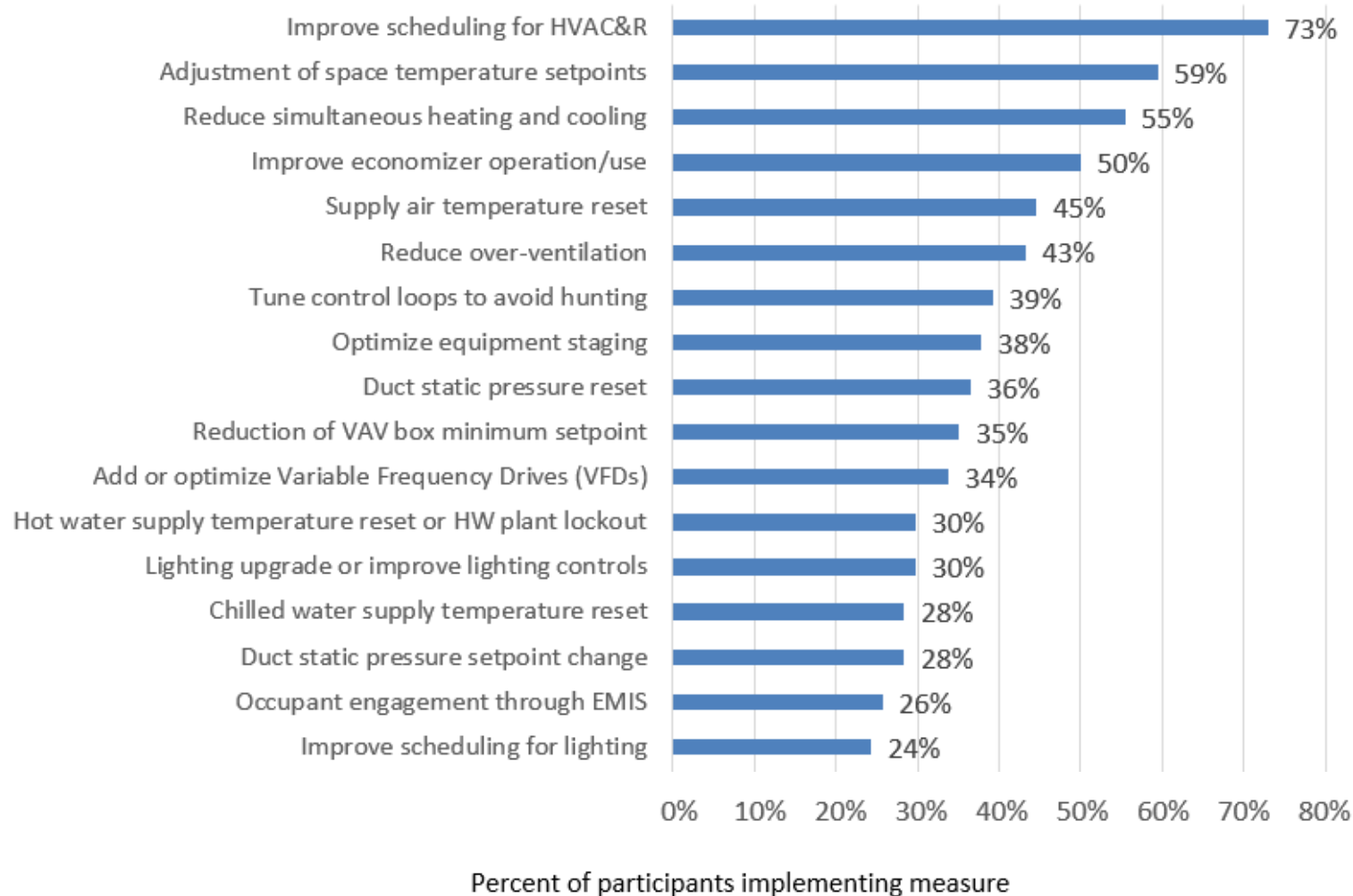


### INVESTMENT PAYBACK:

**2 years**



# Top Measures Implemented with Support of EMIS (74 organizations, 452 million sq ft)





# Energy Savings Since EMIS Installation

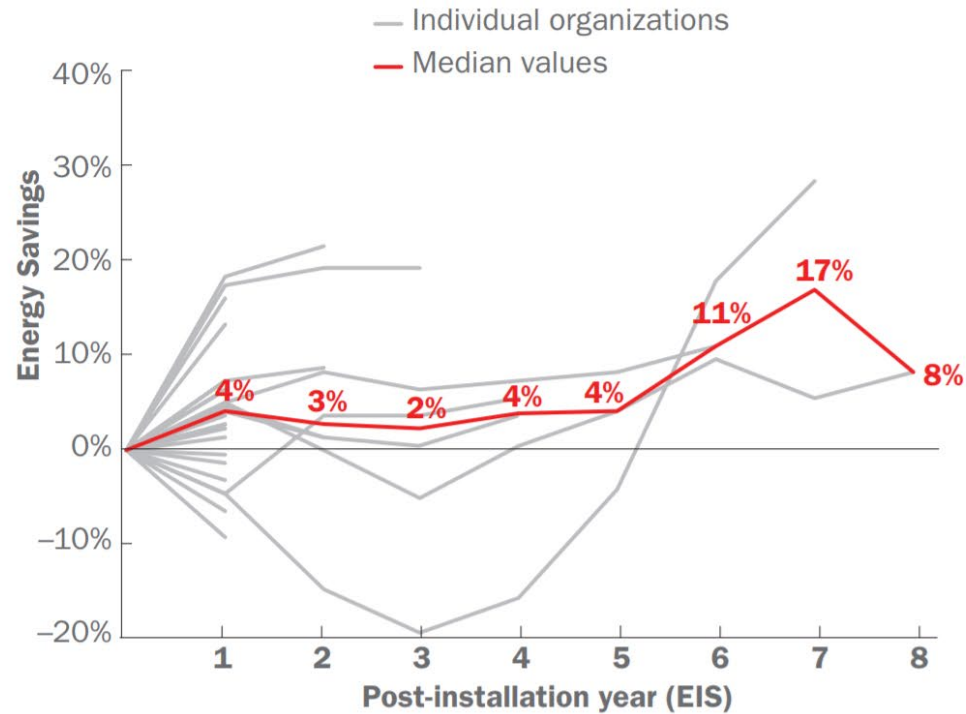
Energy Savings	EIS	FDD
Number of portfolios	10	18
Floor area (millions sq ft)	82	90
Median savings	3%	9%
Median savings (\$/sf/yr)	\$0.03	\$0.24
Top 25% savings	11%–22%	15%–28%



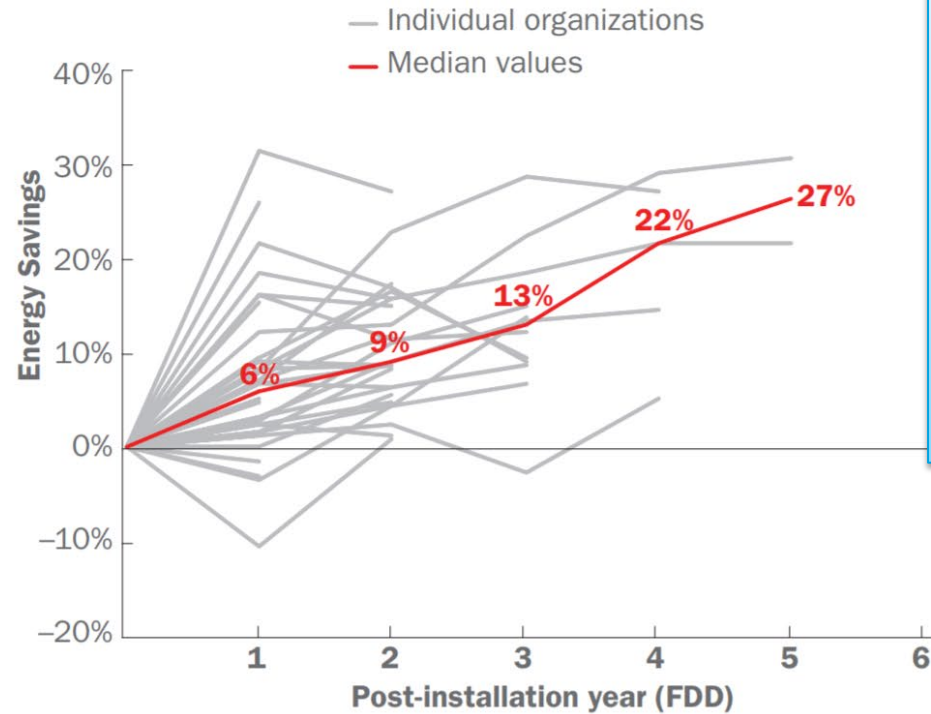
# Energy Savings Since EMIS Installation

**FIGURE 9: Percent energy savings relative to the year before EMIS installation by organizations participating in the Smart Energy Analytics Campaign**

(n = 22 in Year 1)



(n = 28 in Year 1)



Savings not exclusively attributable to EMIS

Participants report that EMIS instrumental in obtaining and sustaining savings over time

# Median Costs

Type of Cost, by EMIS Type	Per point	Per building*	Per sq ft
<b>EIS (n=35)</b>			
Base software and installation (one-time cost)	\$333	\$1,500	\$0.01
Annual software + MBCx service provider (\$ per year)	\$149	\$408	\$0.01
<b>FDD (n=32)</b>			
Base software and installation (one-time cost)	\$8	\$12,500	\$0.05
Annual software + MBCx service provider (\$ per year)	\$5	\$3,503	\$0.02

\*For each participant, a 'per building' cost was established. The Per building column represents the median of the participant values. Since the median participant in the 'per building' and 'per sq ft' columns have different building sizes, the 'per building' and 'per sq ft' costs do not scale.







# Key Points in the EMIS Journey

- **Planning**

- Define activities and scope of the EMIS to meet your goals
- Who will use it & how will it be used?
- Build a Business Case using the latest research results

- **Implementation**

- Specify an EMIS that supports specific needs
- Provide system information to EMIS vendor
- Configure and commission
- Staff training

- **Ongoing Use**

- Identify & Correct Issues: Reaping the rewards of the EMIS investment!



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Second edition

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# EMIS Use Best Practice: Scoping your EMIS

- **Selecting EMIS features**
  - Start with the features that you are most excited about using then add over time
  - Begin with the features that require existing data
- **Scaling up EMIS usage in a portfolio**
  - Begin with a pilot to demonstrate effectiveness, then expand it in the portfolio
  - Start with sites with high EUI or known operational problems
  - Standardization (e.g. data format, naming convention) is a key element

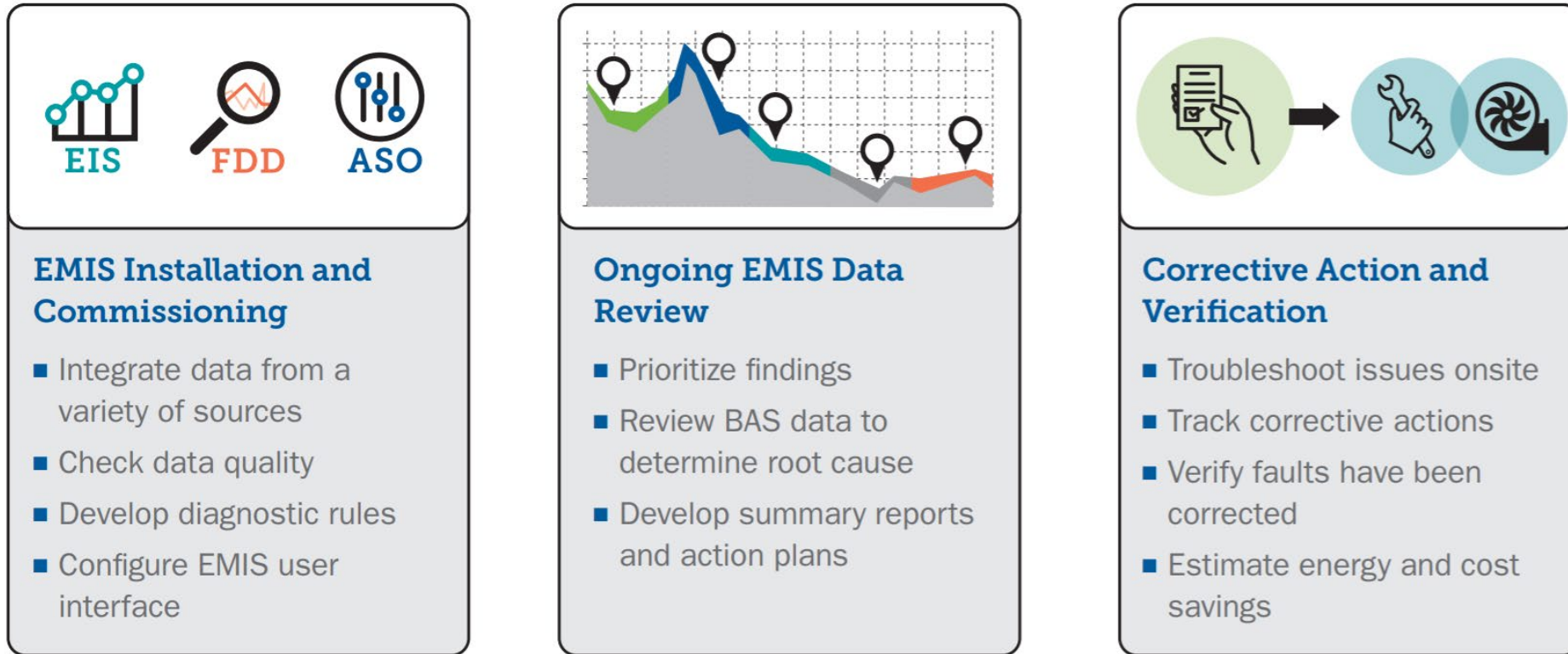


# EMIS Use Best Practice: Managing Findings & Results

- Allocate sufficient labor hours to regularly review EMIS analysis and take action
- Integrate EMIS into standard business practices
  - Work order requests
  - Maintenance scheduling
- Use EMIS to quantify savings
- Communicate results to leadership



# Service Providers Support EMIS Installation and Use



Increasing levels of support from MBCx service providers to operations staff

# Get Started with the Better Buildings EMIS Toolkit

- Updated: [EMIS Primer](#), 2<sup>nd</sup> edition
- Business Case Resources
  - [Final Report](#): Proving the Business Case for Building Analytics
  - [EMIS Applications Showcase](#)
  - [Success Stories](#)
  - [Infographic](#)
- Selecting an EMIS and Implementing an MBCx Process
  - [EMIS Procurement Specification](#)
  - [Example RFPs](#)
  - [MBCx Plan Template](#)



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