Energy Master Planning: Goals, Energy Targets, and Design Constraints

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Learning Objectives

- Understand the importance of establishing terminology in setting goals and requirements
- Increase your knowledge about building energy use targets
- Understand how design requirements and constraints can be applied for systematic energy master planning (EMP)

1. Goals, Targets, and Requirements

Importance of Goals, Targets, and Requirements

- Support transformation of the market (building stock)
- Reduce costs or environmental impacts
- Enable baselines, benchmarking, or performance ratings
- Empower building owners/managers by helping them:
 - Identify the best opportunities (low performers)
 - Establish expectations (for building, campus, for audit team, ...)
 - Track performance

Consistent EMP Terminology Is Important

- Goals, Objectives, and Targets may be desired/optional
- Requirements & constraints must be met

EXAMPLES:

State Building Code* – meet ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1 (requirement)

EU-EPBD** - New buildings nearly zero-energy by 2020 (Dir. 2018/884/EU) (goal)

U.S. 10CFR433 - Federal facilities designed to meet ASHRAE 90.1-2013 (regulation)

Campus be 100% renewable energy (target)

* State of Florida

**European Union – Energy Performance of Buildings Directive

Example: Communicating Project Objectives

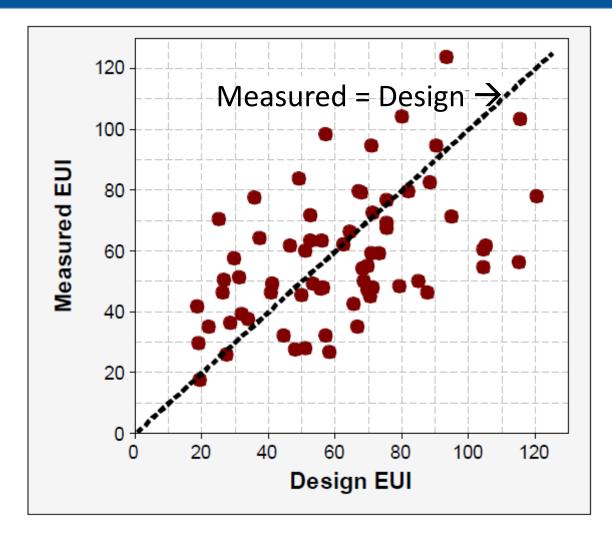
Identify and Classify Project Objectives -

This Step Clearly Identifies Your Overarching Design Boundaries

| | Classification of Objective | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|-------------|-------|----------|
| | Goal | Requirement | | Value |
| Energy Master Planning Objective | (Y/N) | (Y/N) | Value | (units) |
| Environmental impact (% reduction in GHG) | | | | % |
| Reduce source energy use (% reduction) | | | | % |
| Reduce site energy use (% reduction) | | | | % |
| Renewable energy generation (% of electricity use) | | | | % |
| Backup/redundant systems for electric generation | | | | |
| Grid-independent capability- mission critical | | | | |
| System availability for mission-critical (uptime) | | | | % |
| Water use limit | | | | kgal/day |
| Particulate emissions limit | | | | ppm |
| Maximum project cost | | | | \$k |
| Return on investment (ROI) | | | | % |
| Ease of maintenance (simple, low cost, serviceable) | | | | |

2. Energy Use Targets

Underperformance Of New Buildings Is Driving The Move To Energy Use Targets



Example Building Energy Use Targets That Exist

| Country: | United States | Australia | Austria | Denmark | Finland | Norway |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------|------------|--------------------------|------------|
| Basis year: | 2012 | 2019 | 2015 | 2018 | 2017 | 2017 |
| Climate Zone | 5A, 6A, 7 | | 5A & 6A | 5A | 6A & 7 | 6A & 7 |
| | | Building Max | imum Energy | Use (kWh/m | 2 per year) ¹ | |
| | Total | Heating and | | Total | Total | |
| General | primary | cooling | Heating | primary | primary | Total net |
| Building Type | energy use ³ | energy use | energy use | energy use | energy use | energy use |
| Office ² | 207 242 | | 17 C | 41 | 100 | 4.4.5 |
| UTTICE | 287-343 | NA | 47.6 | 41 | 100 | 115 |
| School | 287-343 251-429 | NA NA | 47.6 47.6 | 41 | 100 | 115 110 |
| | | | | | | |
| School Apartment ² | 251-429 | NA | 47.6 | 41 | 100 | 110 |

Table A.1. Building Energy Use Maximums and Targets by Country¹

¹ The sources of maximum and target values for each country are:

Australia - National Construction Code based on minimum required NatHERS rating; 39-406 MJ/m2 per year.

Austria: Guidelines of the Austrian Institute of Building Technology 2015. Page 4, table in Section 4.2.2.

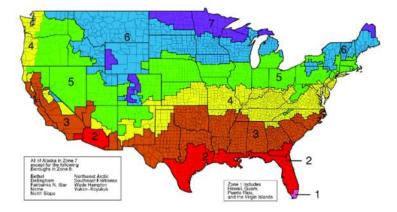
Denmark: Energy Requirements of BR18 (Danish Building Regulations 2018), calculated using Figure 4, Page 6. Finland: National Building Code of Finland, 1010/2017 Decree of the Ministry of the Environment on the Energy Performance of New Buildings, P. 3.

Norway: Regulations on technical requirements for construction works (Building Technical Regulations - TEK17), July 2017. Page 47.

U.S.: ASHRAE Standard 100 "Energy Efficiency in Existing Buildings", derived based on Table 7-2a.

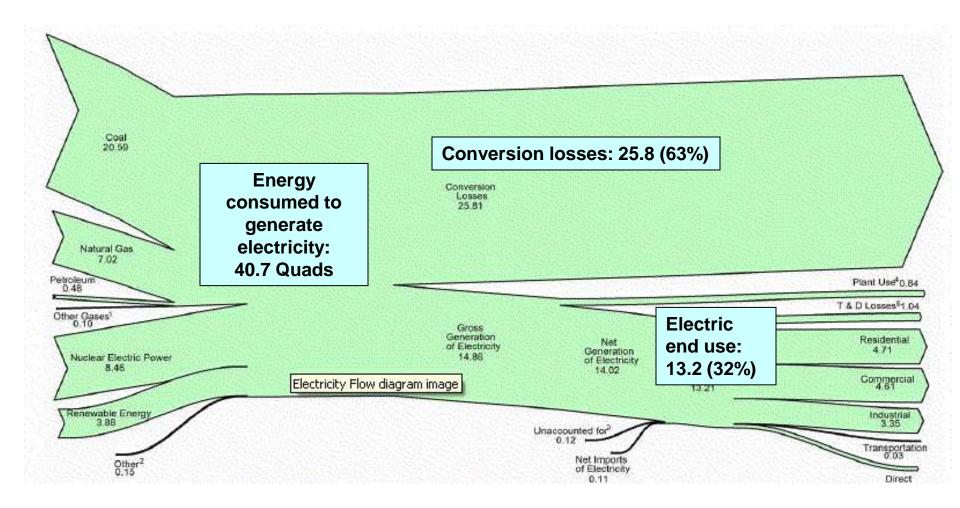
ASHRAE Standard 100 Energy Targets

| Median Total Energy | nergy Use Intensities (EUIs) by ASHRAE Climate Zone by Commercial Building Type | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| ASHRAE Climate Zone: | 1A | 2A | 2B | 3A | 3B | 3B | 3C | 4A | 4B | 4C | 5A | 5B | 5C | 6A | 6B | 7 | 8 |
| Building Type | Median Source EUI by ASHRAE Climate Zone (kBtu/yr-sqft) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Admin/professional office | 176 | 181 | 177 | 164 | 132 | 175 | 140 | 129 | 124 | 126 | 131 | 116 | 87 | 148 | 138 | 165 | 220 |
| Bank/other financial | 250 | 257 | 251 | 233 | 188 | 248 | 198 | 183 | 175 | 179 | 186 | 165 | 124 | 211 | 196 | 234 | 312 |
| Government office | 220 | 226 | 221 | 205 | 165 | 218 | 174 | 161 | 154 | 158 | 163 | 145 | 109 | 185 | 173 | 206 | 275 |
| Medical office (non-diagnostic) | 150 | 154 | 151 | 140 | 113 | 149 | 119 | 110 | 105 | 107 | 111 | 99 | 74 | 126 | 118 | 141 | 187 |
| Mixed-use office | 204 | 210 | 205 | 190 | 153 | 202 | 161 | 149 | 143 | 146 | 151 | 135 | 101 | 172 | 160 | 191 | 254 |
| Other office | 170 | 175 | 171 | 158 | 128 | 169 | 135 | 124 | 119 | 122 | 126 | 112 | 84 | 143 | 134 | 160 | 212 |
| Laboratory | 785 | 794 | 774 | 707 | 602 | 766 | 647 | 550 | 545 | 553 | 559 | 513 | 403 | 626 | 600 | 692 | 875 |
| Distribution/shipping center | 55 | 71 | 74 | 79 | 43 | 80 | 60 | 76 | 71 | 68 | 96 | 83 | 53 | 136 | 118 | 172 | 306 |
| Non-refrigerated warehouse | 27 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 21 | 39 | 29 | 37 | 34 | 33 | 47 | 40 | 26 | 66 | 57 | 83 | 148 |

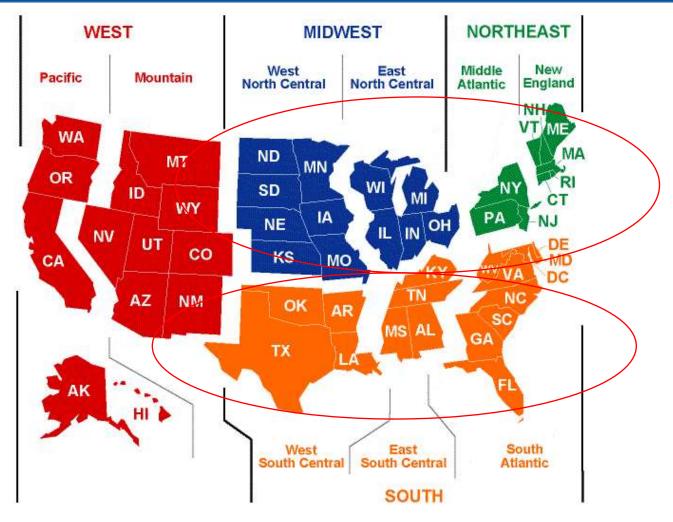


Energy Use Targets: Site or Primary Energy Basis?

An Issue: In the U.S., About 1/3 of Energy Used at Power Plant Reaches Building



Site vs. Primary (Source) EUI Comparison: Based on Measured Data in U.S. CBECS* Database



*CBECS – Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Survey

Is Population of EUIs Different for All-Electric Buildings? Statistics Say "Yes" If Site-Energy-Based

| | | Part-elec | tric | All-elect | ric | | |
|-----------|-------|------------|------|--------------|-----|------------|--------|
| Office | | | | | | Statist- | |
| Buildings | | Mean, | | Mean, | | ically | |
| | | kBtu/sf-yr | Ν | kBtu/sf-yr N | | different? | Pr > t |
| | eui | 85 | 203 | 44 | 23 | Y | 0.0001 |
| North | euiso | 157 | 203 | 126 | 23 | N | 0.083 |
| Couth | eui | 88 | 98 | 54 | 54 | Y | 0.0007 |
| South | euiso | 186 | 98 | 164 | 54 | N | 0.2339 |

Notes: eui = total site-based energy use intensity, kBtu/sf-yr euiso = total source-based energy use intensity, kBtu/sf-yr

> North = CBECS Census Divisions 2,3,4 South = CBECS Census Divisions 5,6,7

Conclusions for Site- Versus Primary- Energy-Use-Based Targets

- In contrast to primary energy use-based targets, site energy-based targets:
 - Ignore 2 of the ~3 Btus of energy used to provide electricity
 - Are far less reliable as an overall building performance indicator

 vary widely from location to location and building to building
 - Often move opposite the direction of your total utility costs (can make local electric generation appear very unattractive and fossil-fuel-based technologies appear non-competitive)
 - Should be used with considerable caution

3. Design Constraints

Design Constraints

- Type 1: Those that define or constrain your architecture
- Type 2: Those that constrain your technology options

Example Simple Community Architecture

| Upstream Resources: | Community Level: | Building Cluster Level: | Building Level: |
|------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Electricity – | Central electric generation & storage Electricity distribution | | Emergency generators |
| Natural gas - | | | Gas boilers |

Type 1: Resources and Constraints That Characterize Your System Architecture

| | Identify Resources and Constraints for Your System Architecture | Resource or Constraint Exists (Yes/No) | Constraint Limit (capacity, quantity, or maximum) | Constraint Limit (units) |
|---|--|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 1 | External Services and Networks Available | | | |
| | Steam available from external thermal network | | | klbs/hr |
| | Gas supply available | | | dkt/day |
| | Renewable-energy-based electrical energy available | | | kW |
| 2 | Fuels Available | | | |
| | Natural gas | | | MMBtu/hr |
| | Biomass | | | tons/day |
| 3 | Existing Energy Systems On Site | | | |
| | Central steam heating plant | | | MMBtu/hr |
| | Distribution lines for natural gas | | | Dth/day |
| | Emergency generators | | | kW |
| 4 | Energy & Water Storage Systems | | | |
| | Electricity storage | | | kWh |
| | Fuel oil storage | | | gal |
| 5 | Personnel & Staffing | | | |
| | Type of trained operators available | | | NA |

Models Fitting Your Architecture Resources and Constraints

| | Spatial location of generation | Building supplied from outside with | Number of examples |
|-------|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Solutions for generation within community | | |
| 1.1.3 | Generation at building level | Power | 4 |
| 1.2.1 | Generation at building cluster level | Power + heat | 1 |
| 1.2.4 | Generation at building cluster level | Power + heat + cool | 4 |
| 1.3.1 | Generation at community level | Power + heat | 3 |
| 1.3.2 | Generation at community level | Power + cool | 1 |
| 1.3.4 | Generation at community level | Power + heat + cool | 8 |
| 1.4.1 | Generation at multiple spatial levels | Mix | 6 |
| 2 | Best practice examples | | |
| 2 2 1 | Concration at community loval | Dower L heat | 9 (2 levels; 5 - Denmark, |
| 2.3.1 | Generation at community level | Power + heat | Canada, Greenland, 2-U.S.) |
| 2.4.1 | Generation at multiple spatial levels | Power + heat | 1 (Australia) |
| 3 | Generation outside the community | Power + heat + cool | 1(1level) |
| 4 | Solutions for remote locations | Mix | 8 (2 levels) |

Type 2: Resources and Constraints That Narrow Your Technology Options

Master Plan: "A plan to guide development and future growth"

"Alternatives analysis" which relies on constraint identification and impact assessment occurs here Energy Master Planning Steps*

- 1. Project scoping and goal setting
- 2. Baseline assessment
- ➔ 3. Identify potential opportunities
 - 4. Develop project recommendations
 - 5. Develop implementation plan
 - 6. Monitor, measure, and evaluate

*Ranger 2015

Constraints That Narrow Your Technology Options

| Natu | ral Constraints | Imposed Constraints | | | | | | |
|------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Constraint | | | | | Constraint | | | |
| Category | Constraint* | Constrain | t Category | Constraint* | Category | Constraint* | | |
| | Regional or local air quality | | | Natural Gas | | Space temperature | | |
| | Low-lying area (flooding) | | o | Electricity | | Humidity | | |
| | Extreme temperatures | 3. Energy | y & Water | Fuel Oil | 5. Indoor | Illumination levels | | |
| 1. | Extreme humidities | Distrib | oution & | Chilled water | Environ- | Radon | | |
| Locational | High winds | Storage | e Systems | Hot water/steam | ment | Ventilation | | |
| Threats | Fire | | | Water | | | | |
| | Lightning | | | | | | | |
| | Ground threats (volcano, | | 4a. Energy | Energy use (site) | | Space heating | | |
| | mud,sinkhole,earthquake) | | Use | Energy use (primary) | 6. Equipment | Space cooling | | |
| | Solar insolation | | | Energy efficiency | | Ventilation | | |
| | Wind | | 4b. Environ | Renewables | | Humidity control | | |
| | Biomass | 4. | mental | Emissions | | Water heating | | |
| 2 | Land area | Building | | Resilience | in | Food preparation | | |
| 2. | Roof area | and | | Financial/Cost | Buildings | Waste handling | | |
| Locational | Natural Gas | | | Maintenance limits | and | Control systems | | |
| Resources | Electricity | Facility | 4c. Opera- | (e.g., simple, low cost) | District | Electric generation | | |
| | Liquid fuels (oil, LPG, etc.) | | tional | Work force limitations | | District steam | | |
| | Chilled water | | | Critical facility | Systems | District hot water | | |
| | Hot water/steam | | | Other planner/building | | District chilled water | | |
| | Water | | | owner limiting factor | | | | |

* Constraint that could limit technology selection

Example Constraint Limits: The Limits Of Each Constraint Must Be Quantified To Assess Their Impact

<u>Constraint</u>

- Resource: Natural gas
- Distribution system

 Environmental: emissions

<u>Potential Limits</u>

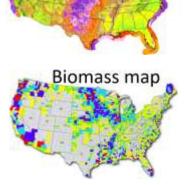
- No availability/service
- Chiller/boiler capacity
- Distribution capacity
- Unconnected buildings
- Local air quality
- Equipment limits
- No/limited fossil-fuel based systems allowed

Constraints That Can Reduce Your EMP Technology Options

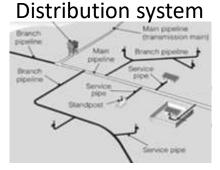
| Constraint | Resource, System, or Constraint Exists (Y/N) | Constraint Limit (capacity/ quantity) | Constraint Limit (units) |
|--|---|--|--------------------------------|
| 1. LOCATIONAL RESOURCES | | | |
| 1a. External Energy and Water Resources | | | |
| Natural gas | | | Dth/day |
| Fuel oil | | | kl/day |
| 1b. External Renewable & Non-Fuel-Based Energy Resources | | | |
| Direct normal solar radiation available (annual average) | | | kWh/m2/day |
| Wind speed (annual average at 80 meters) | | | m/sec |
| Biomass | | | ktons/yr |
| 1c. Space Availabilities for Installing Technologies | | | _ |
| Space for central heating plant | | | m2 |
| Space for solar PV | | | m2 |
| Space for geothermal wells | | | m2 |
| Space for thermal energy storage tanks (area) | | | m2 |
| 2. BUILDING LEVEL FACILITY CONSTRAINTS | | | |
| Building energy use (site-based) | | | kBtu/sf-yr |
| Building energy use limit (primary or source-based) | | | kBtu/sf-yr |
| Renewables required | | | kBtu/sf-yr |

Quantifying Constraint Limits (examples)

- Resource limits
 - Local utilities can identify capacities/limits
 - Resource maps can identify availabilities
- Energy distribution & storage limits
 - System operators can identify capacities/limits
- Building/Facility limits
 - National/local regulations identify efficiency & energy use limits
 - Codes/laws/directives identify renewable & resilience limits
 - Owners define cost and critical facility limits



Wind map

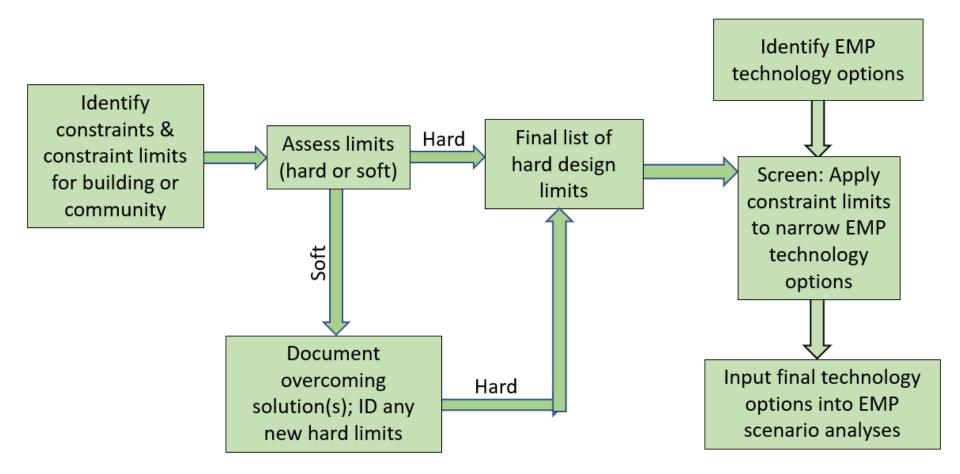


Assessing The Rigidity Of Constraint Limits (hard or soft?)

Definitions: A hard limit cannot be overcome, a soft limit can

- Potential soft limits
 - No or limited natural gas service
 - Limited fuel oil storage capacity
 - No district energy system
 - District energy system does not serve building/campus
- Example hard limits
 - Net zero energy use requirement
 - 100% renewable energy requirement
 - Insufficient insolation for viable PV systems
 - Insufficient wind for viable wind technologies
 - Biomass unavailable

Workflow for Applying Constraint Limits to Down Select Technology Options to Optimize EMP Scenario Analysis



Conclusions Around Design Constraints

- It is essential to identify and assess constraints that frame an EMP solution
- Early screening of technologies via constraints can better focus an EMP team
- Constraint limits should be evaluated as either hard or soft to avoid the unnecessary elimination of technologies
- To maintain consistent quality in the EMP process, the identification of constraints and their limits, and perhaps their evaluation, should be standardized

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