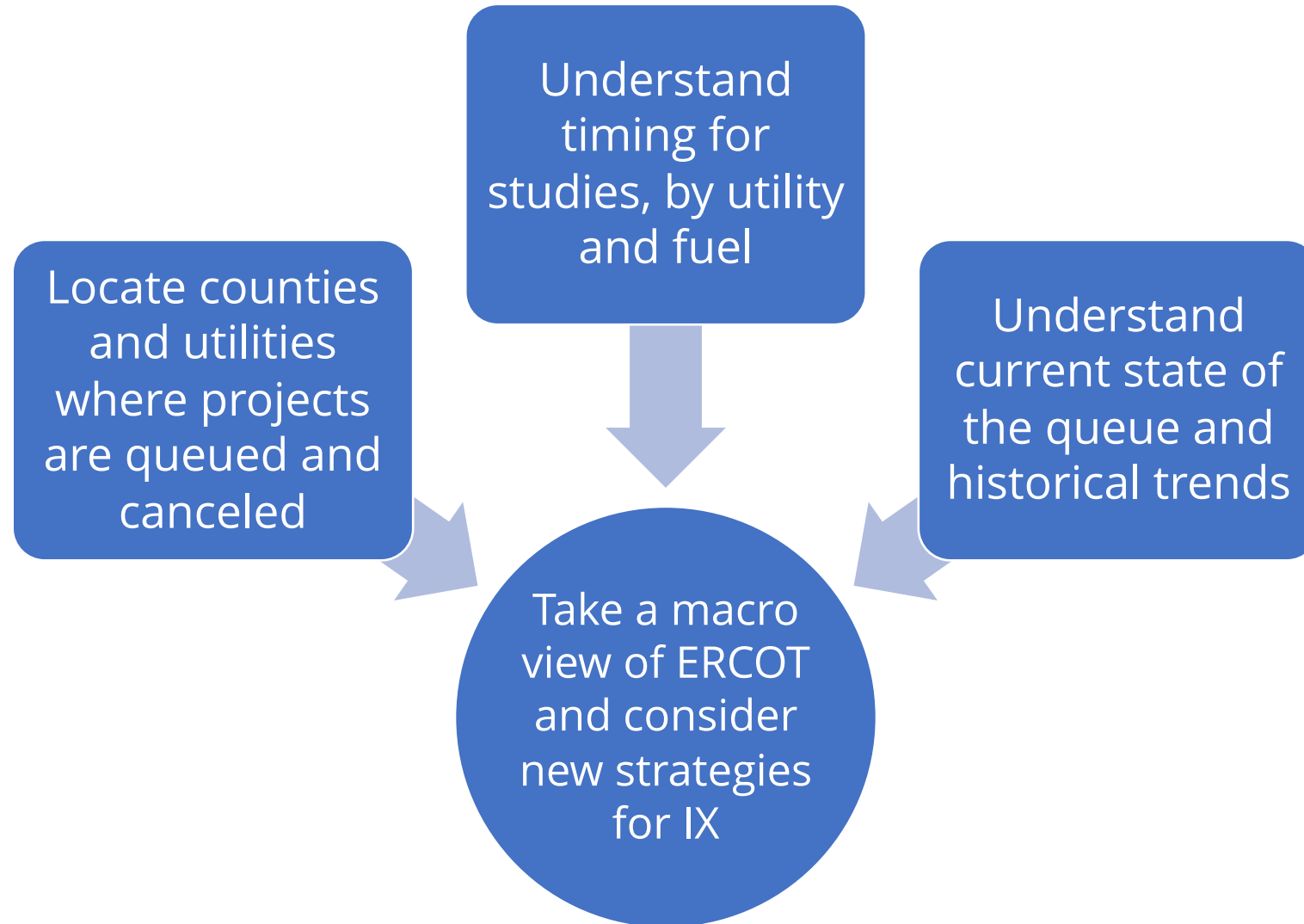


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# EXCEL DATA!

Project Attributes				
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15INR0059	Emerald Grove Solar	SS Completed, FIS Completed, IA	Emerald Grove Solar, LLC	76602 Horse Crossing 138kV
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16INR0112	Loma Pinta Wind	SS Completed, FIS Started, IA	Enerverse	5705 Fowlerlon 138kV
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17INR0025	Reloj Del Sol Wind	SS Completed, FIS Completed, IA	EDP Renewables	80220 Cenizo 345kV
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17INR0062	WUCT renewable Her	SS Completed, FIS Completed, IA	Nextera	7416 Kendall 345kV

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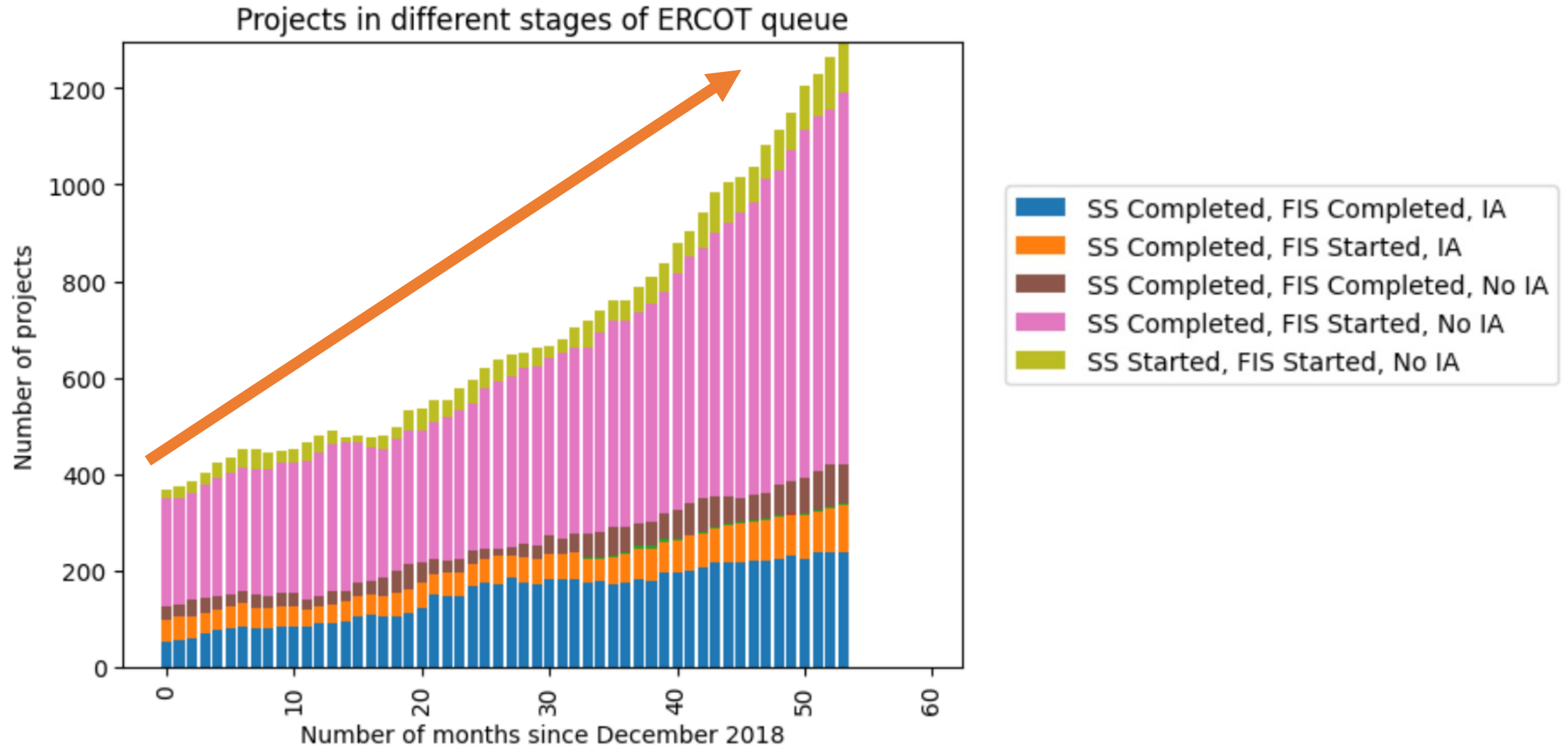
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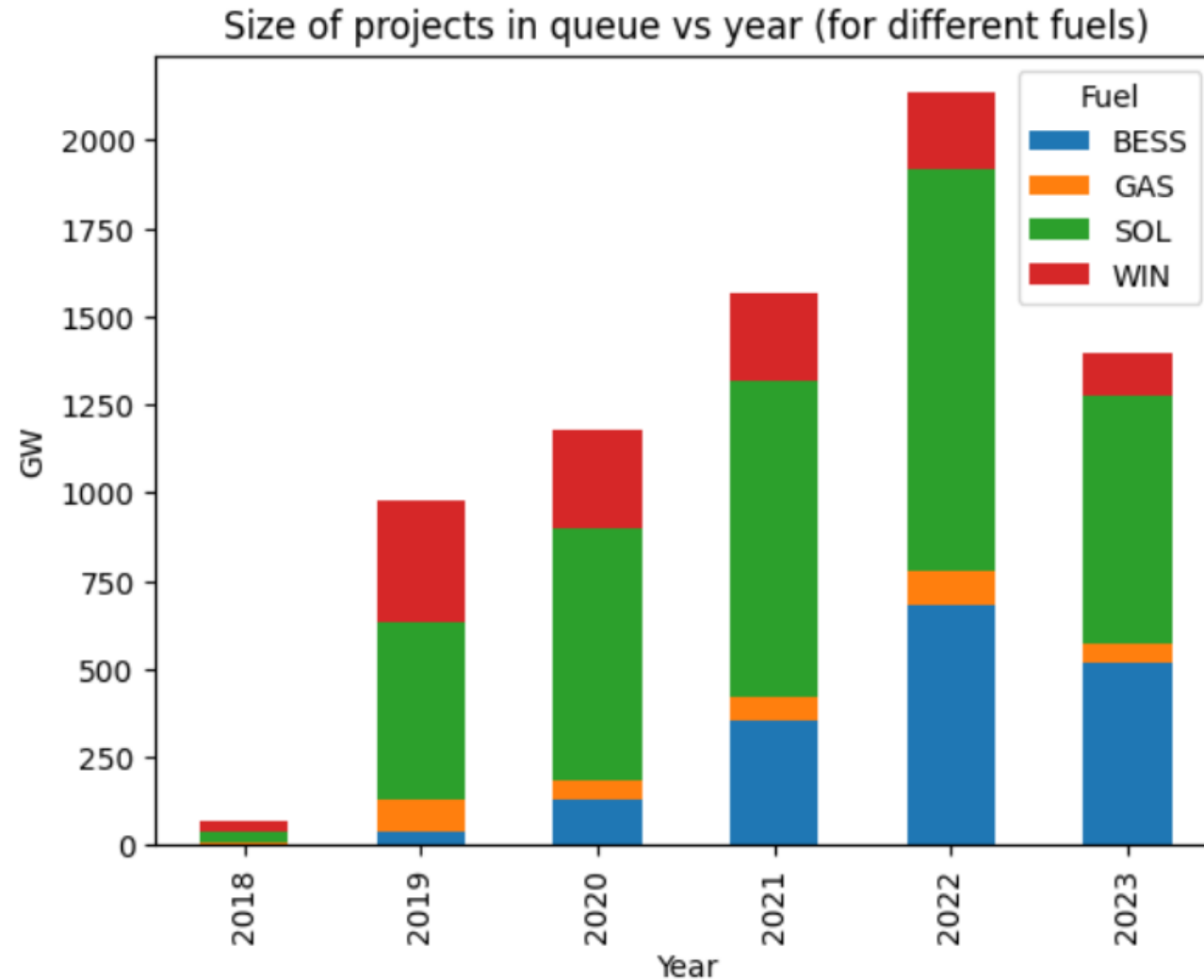
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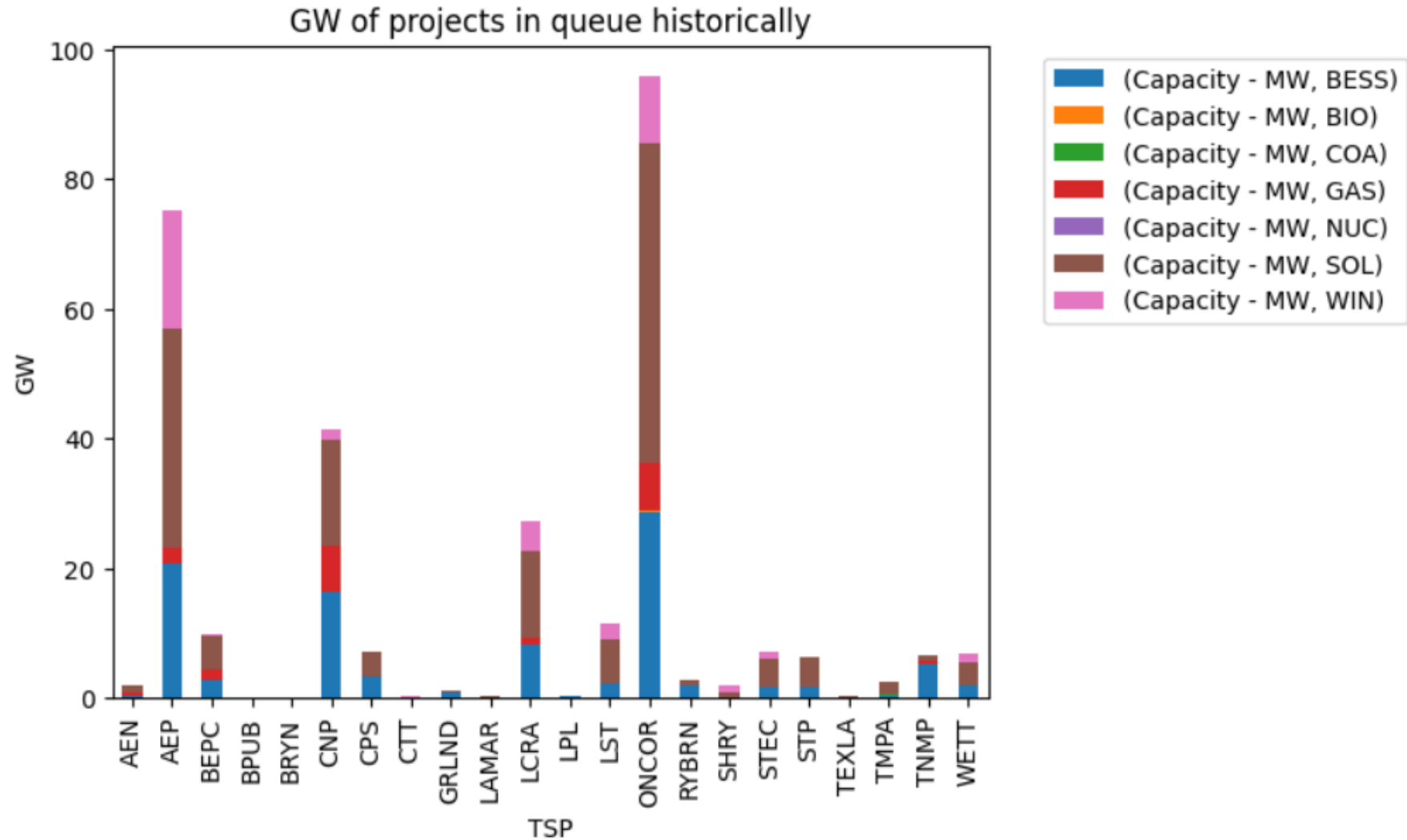
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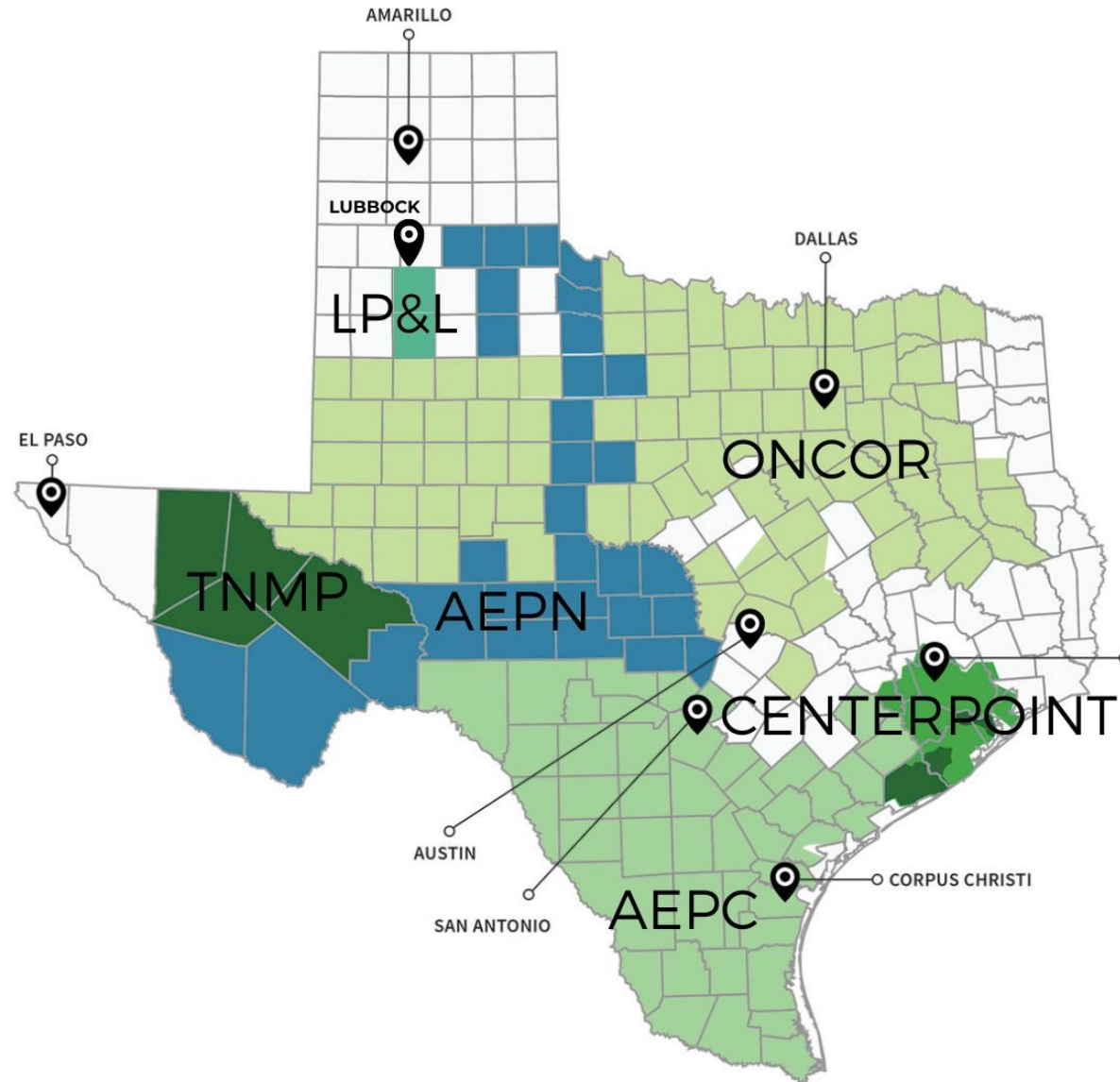
# QUEUE IS DOMINATED BY SOLAR AND STORAGE!



# ONCOR AND AEP STILL GOING STRONG!



# ELECTRIC UTILITIES IN TEXAS

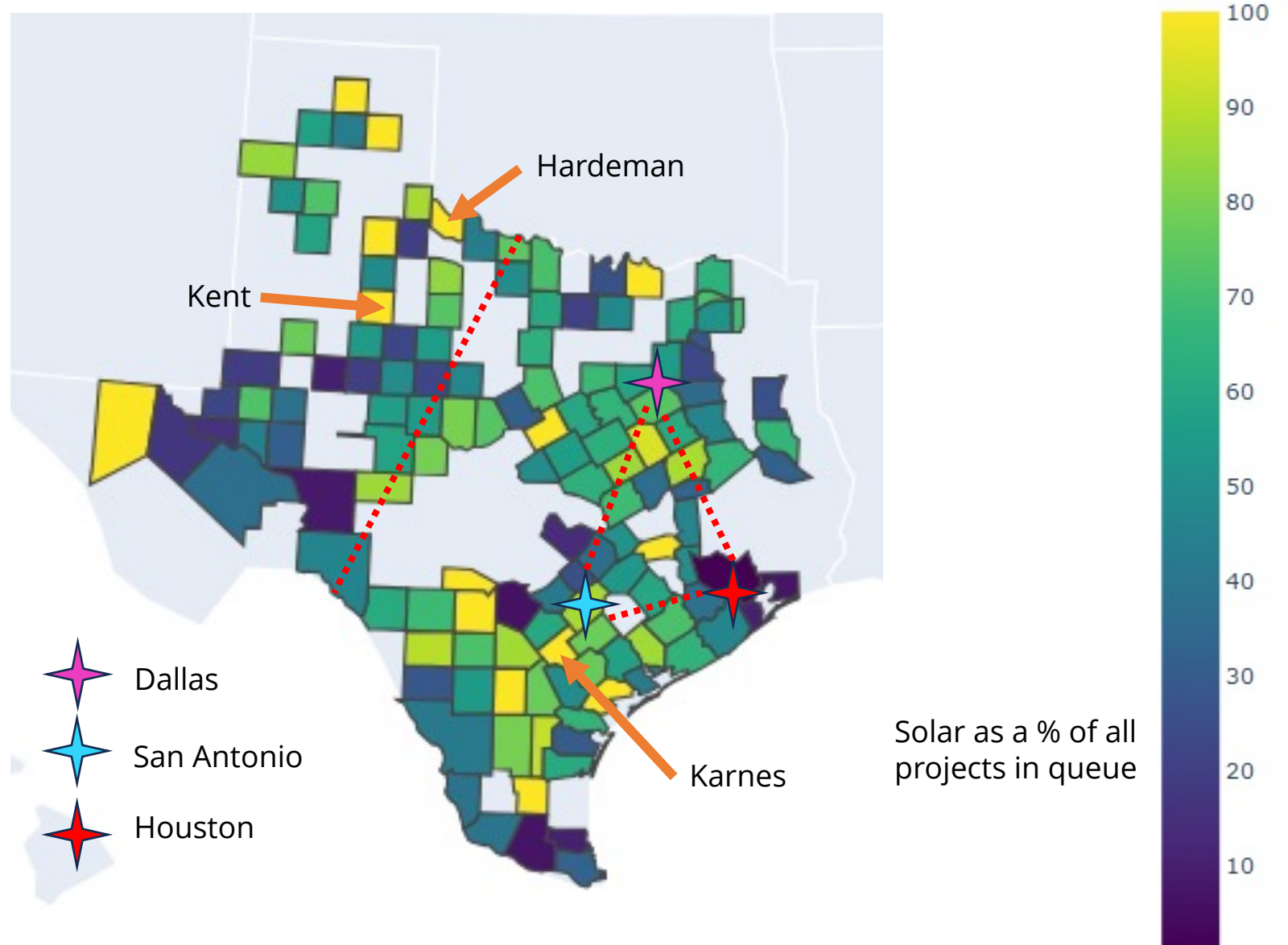


# COUNTIES DOMINATED BY SOLAR IN THE QUEUE

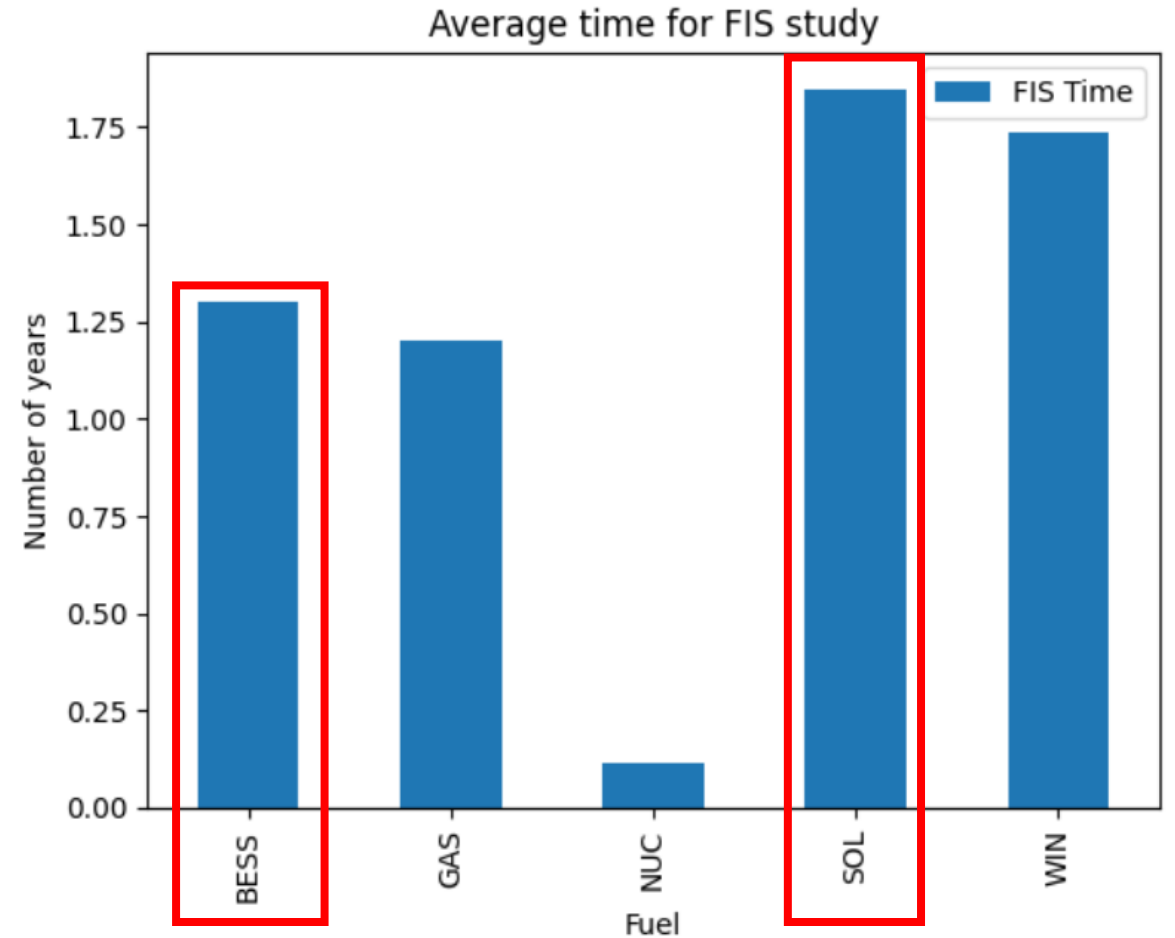
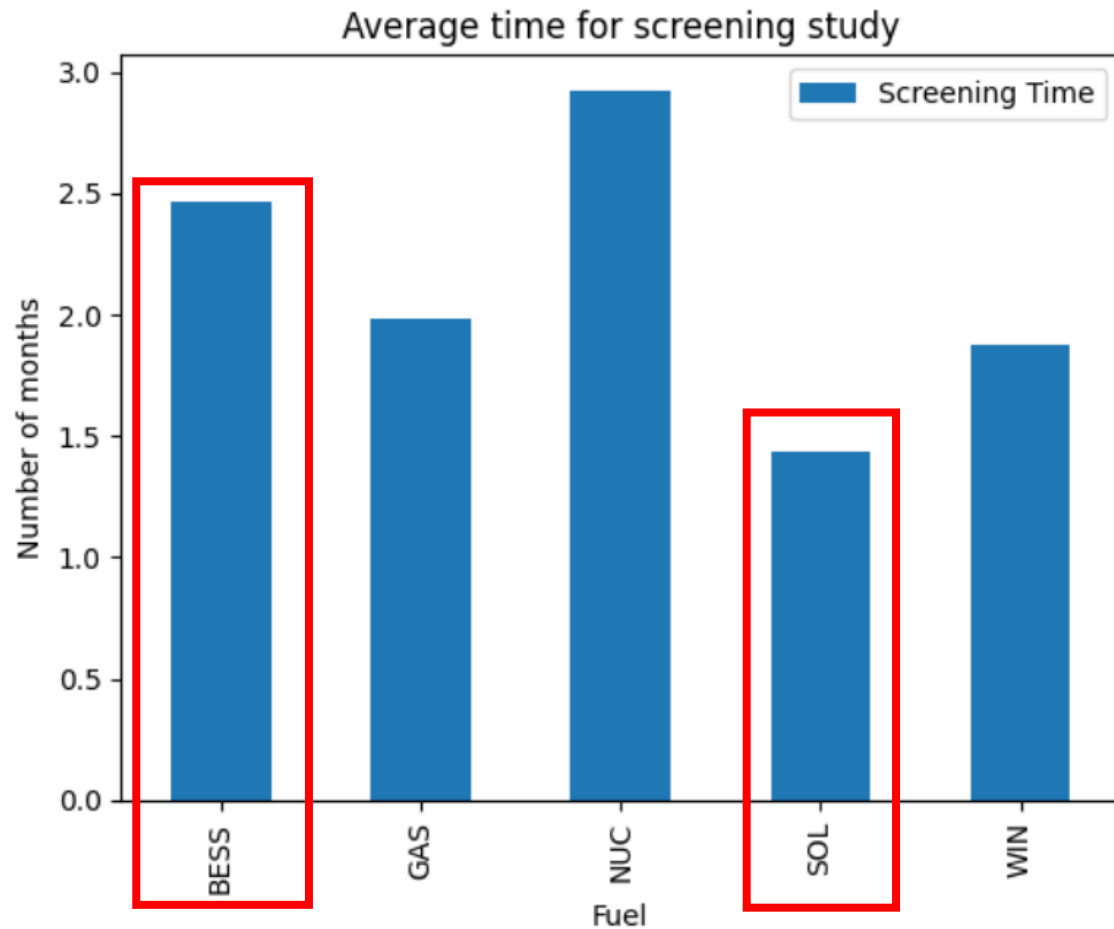
100% Solar

(In MW and number of projects)

- Hardeman – 922 (5)
- Gray – 703 (1)
- Kent – 655 (4)
- Karnes – 609 (7)
- Hutchinson – 570 (2)

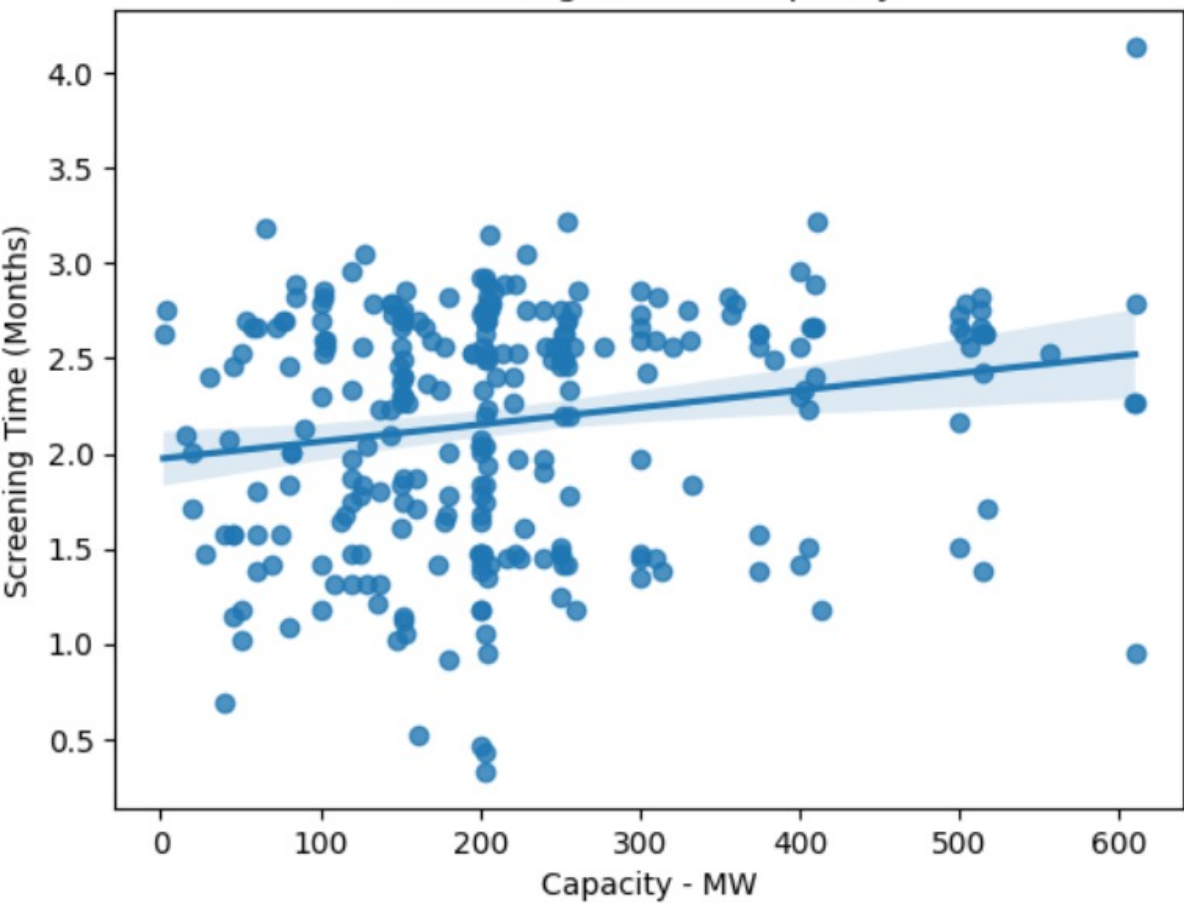


# SCREENING QUICK BUT NOT FIS!

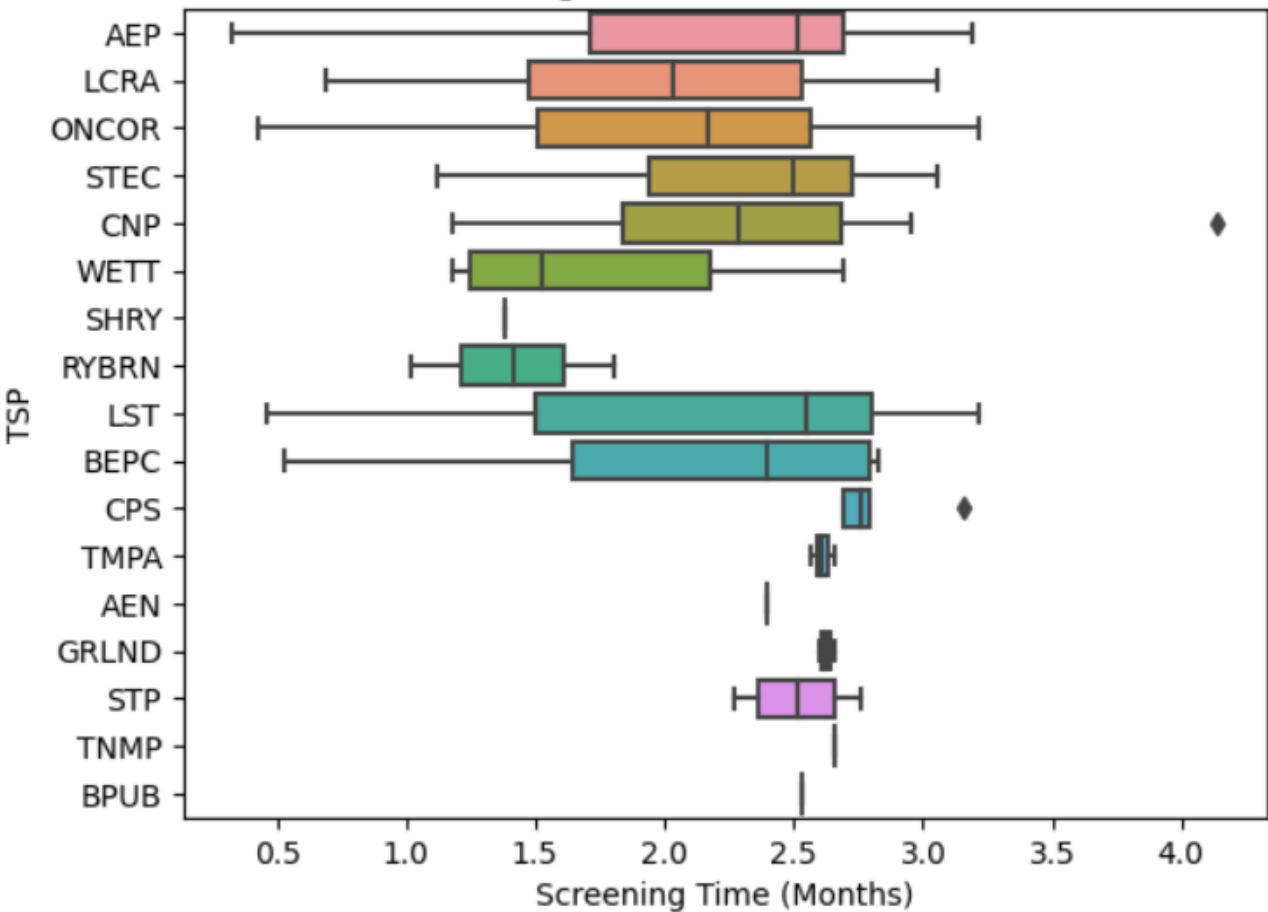


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Screening Time vs Capacity

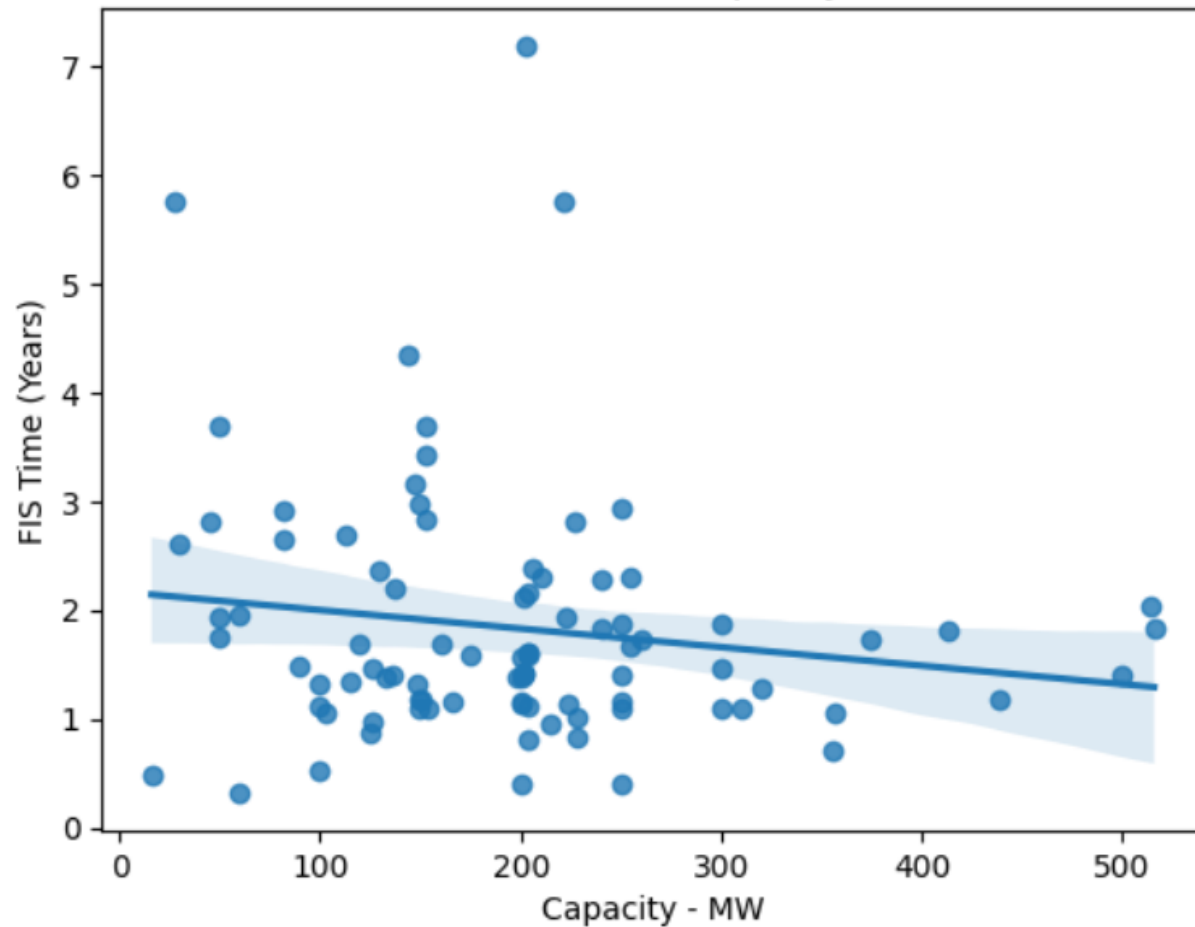


Screening Time for different utilities

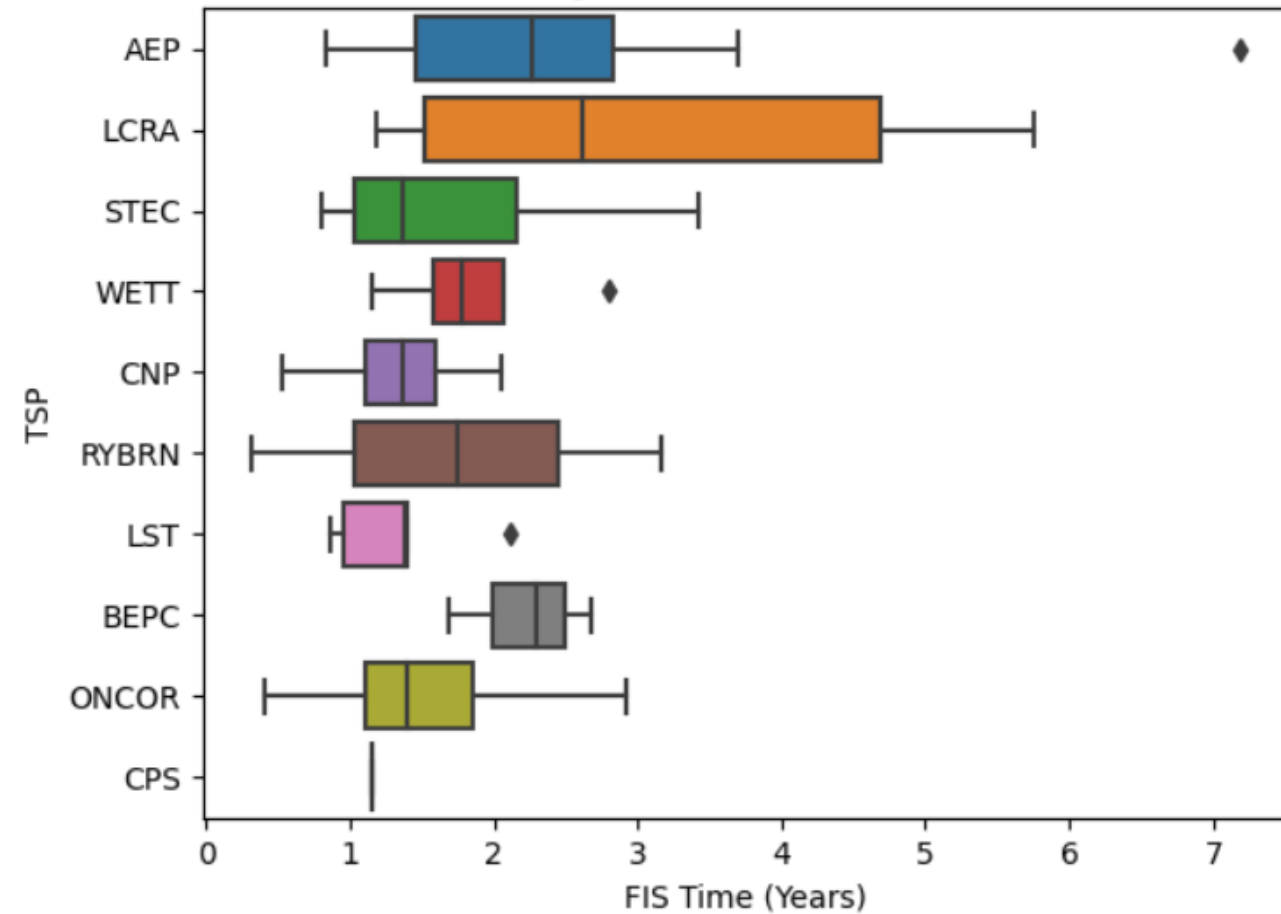


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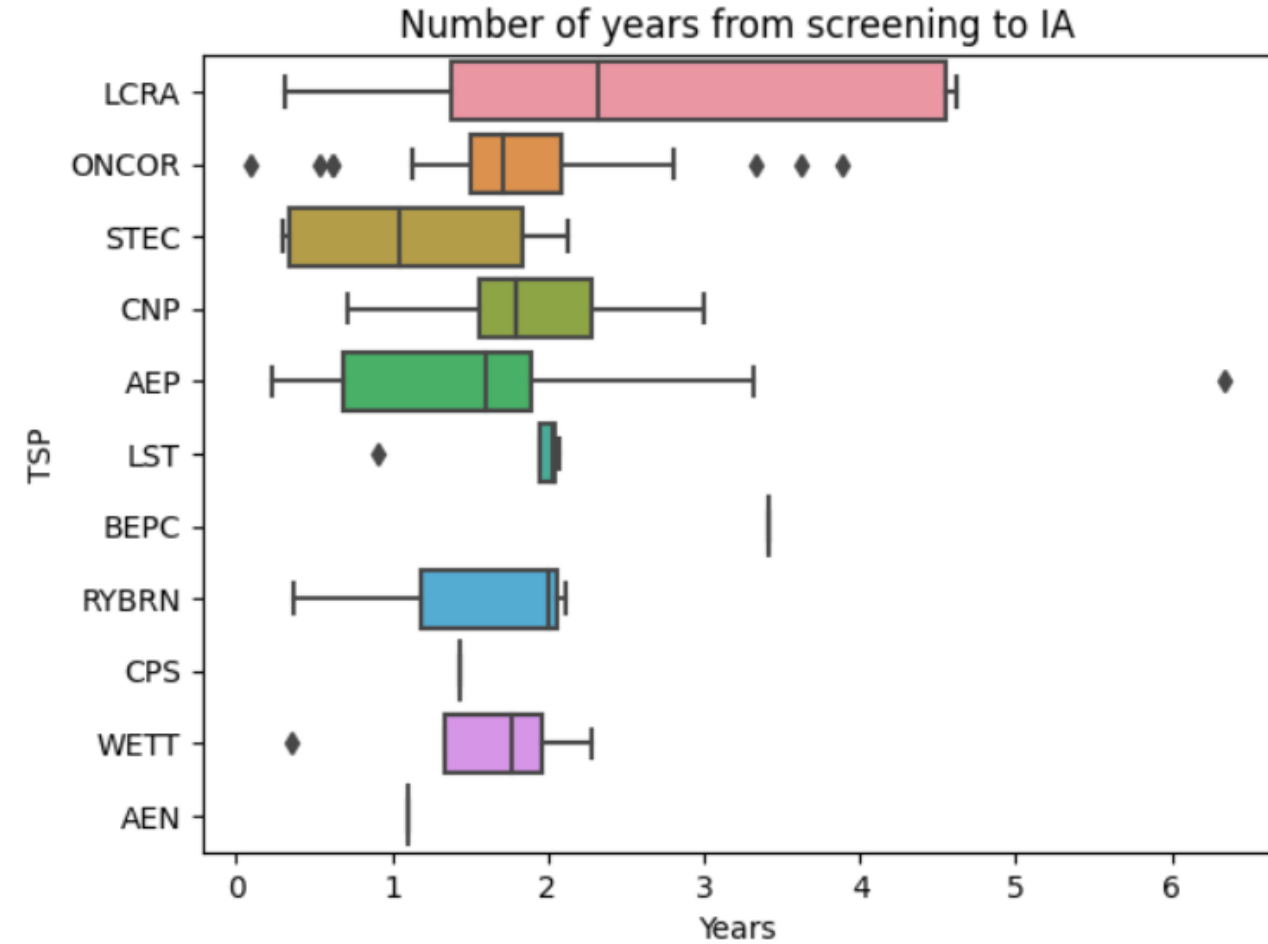
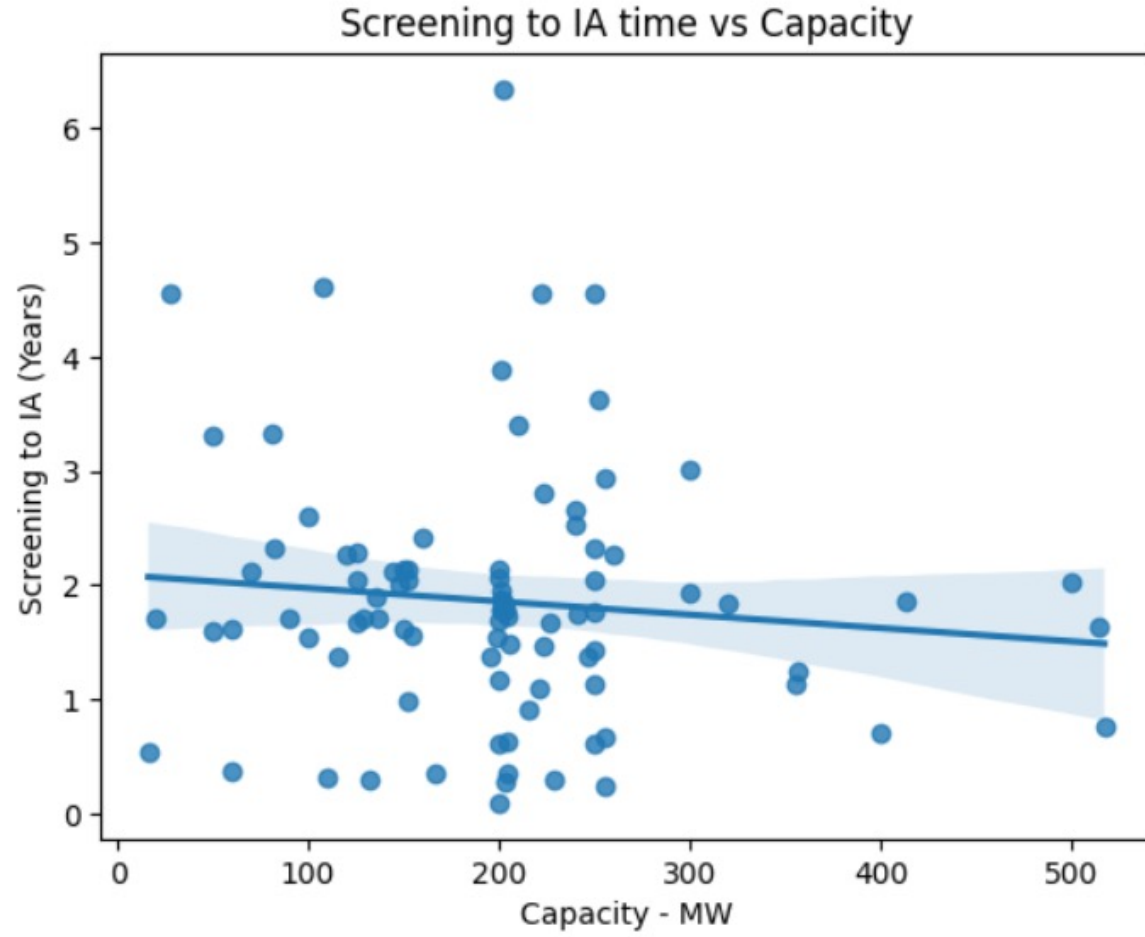
FIS Time vs Capacity



FIS Study Time for different utilities



# IDENTIFYING TRENDS IN SCREENING TO IA TIME FOR SOLAR PROJECTS



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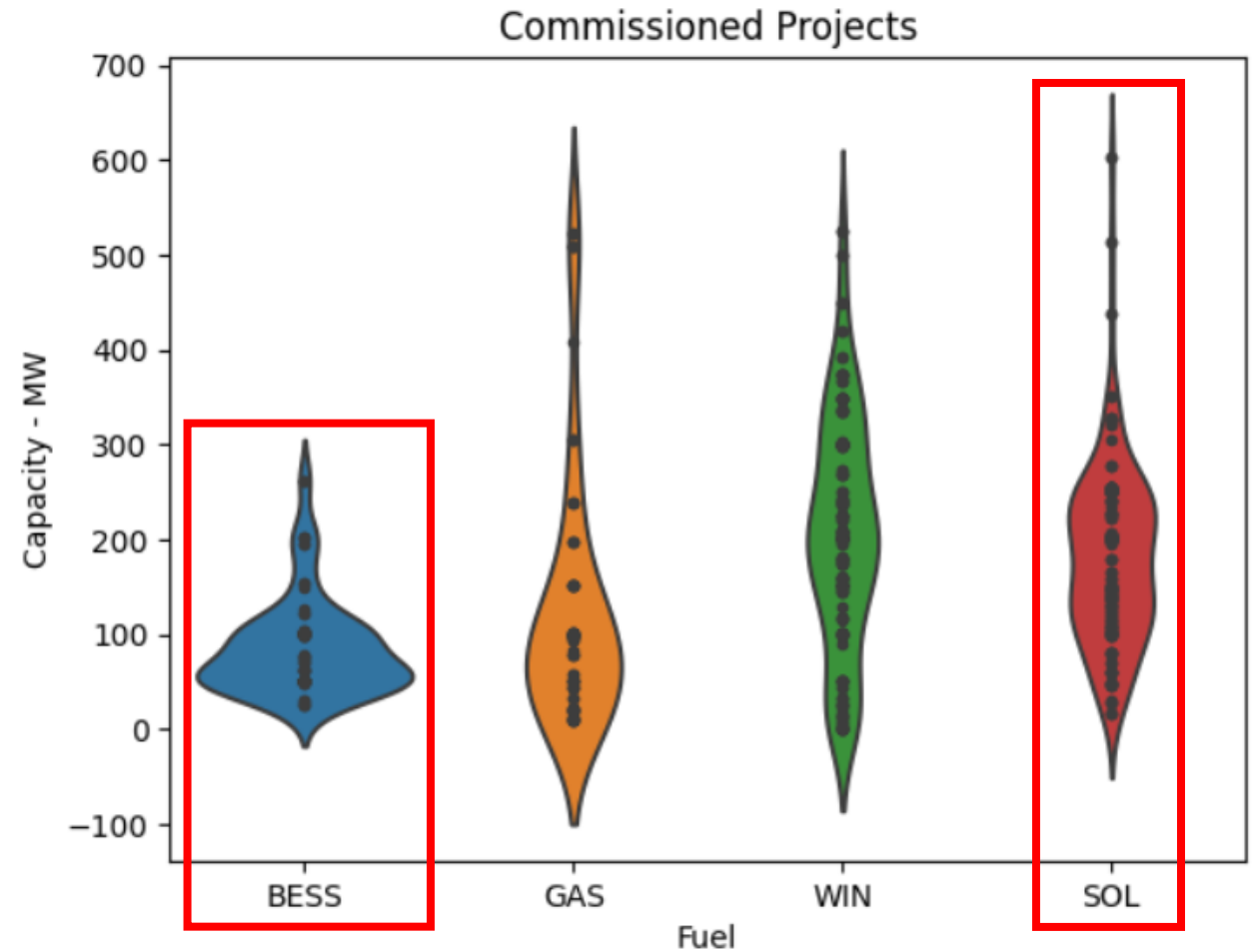
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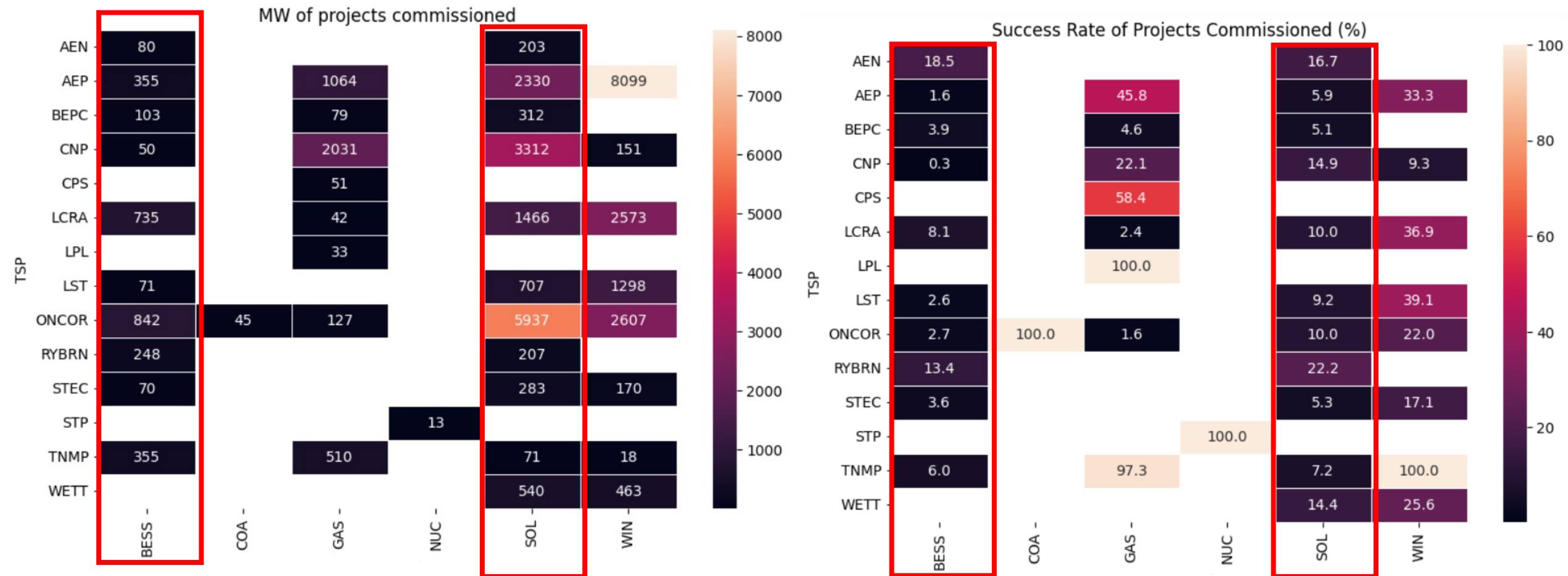
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# HOW BIG ARE THE COMMISSIONED PROJECTS?

- Solar projects relatively spread out – up to 300 MW
- Storage projects concentrated around 50 MW

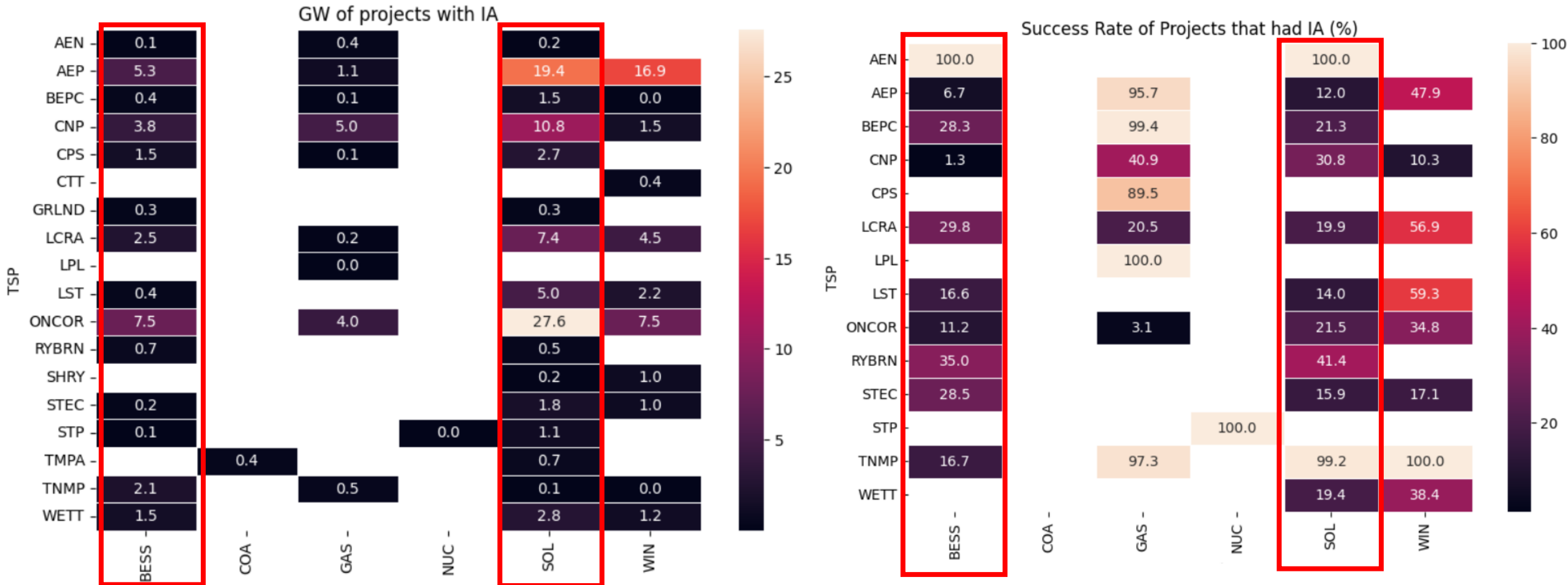


# WHICH UTILITIES HAVE A HIGH SUCCESS RATE WITH SOLAR?



\*IOUs have an average success rate of 10%

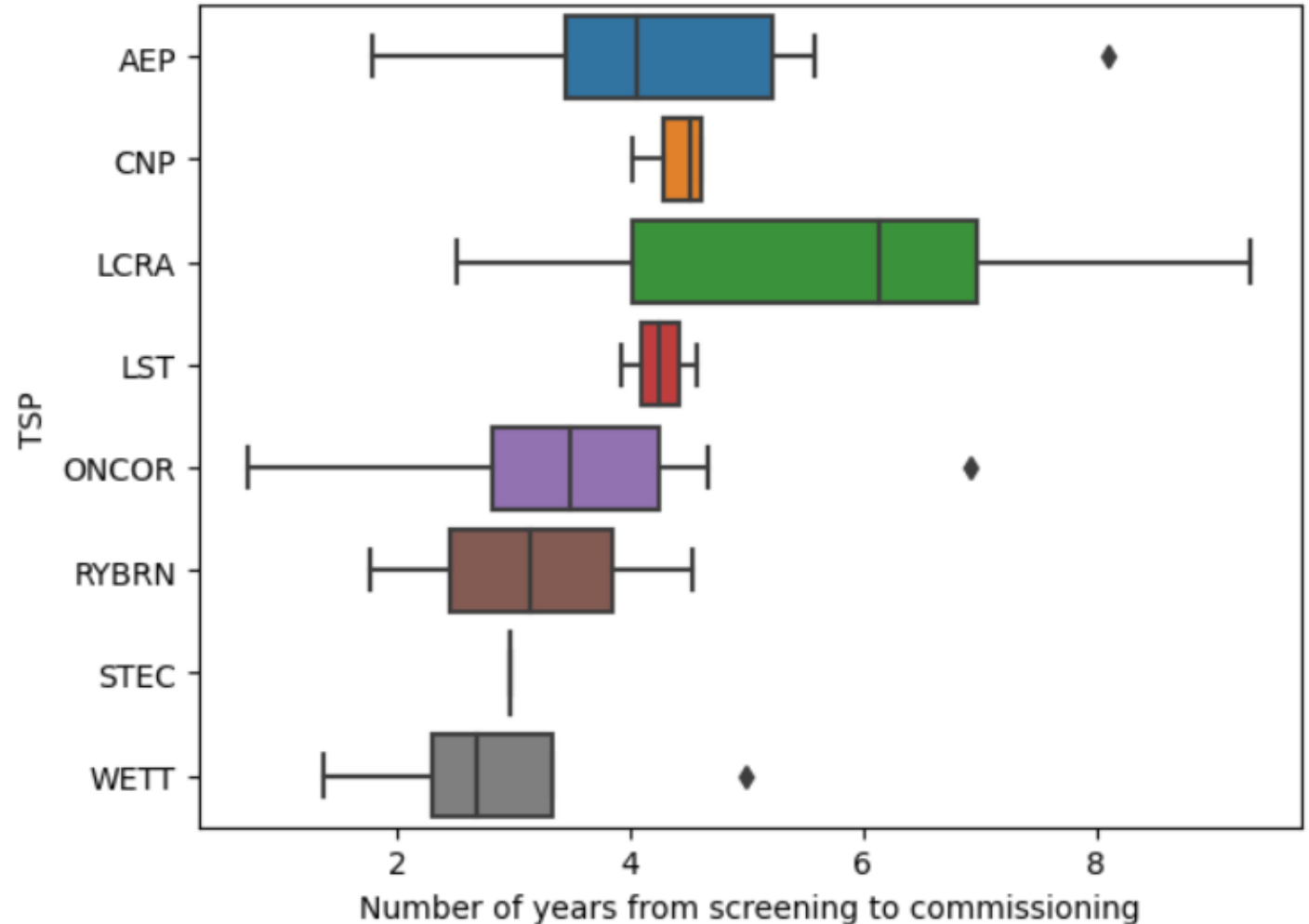
# WHICH PERCENTAGE OF PROJECTS WITH IA CONVERT?



\*IOUs have an average conversion rate of 20%

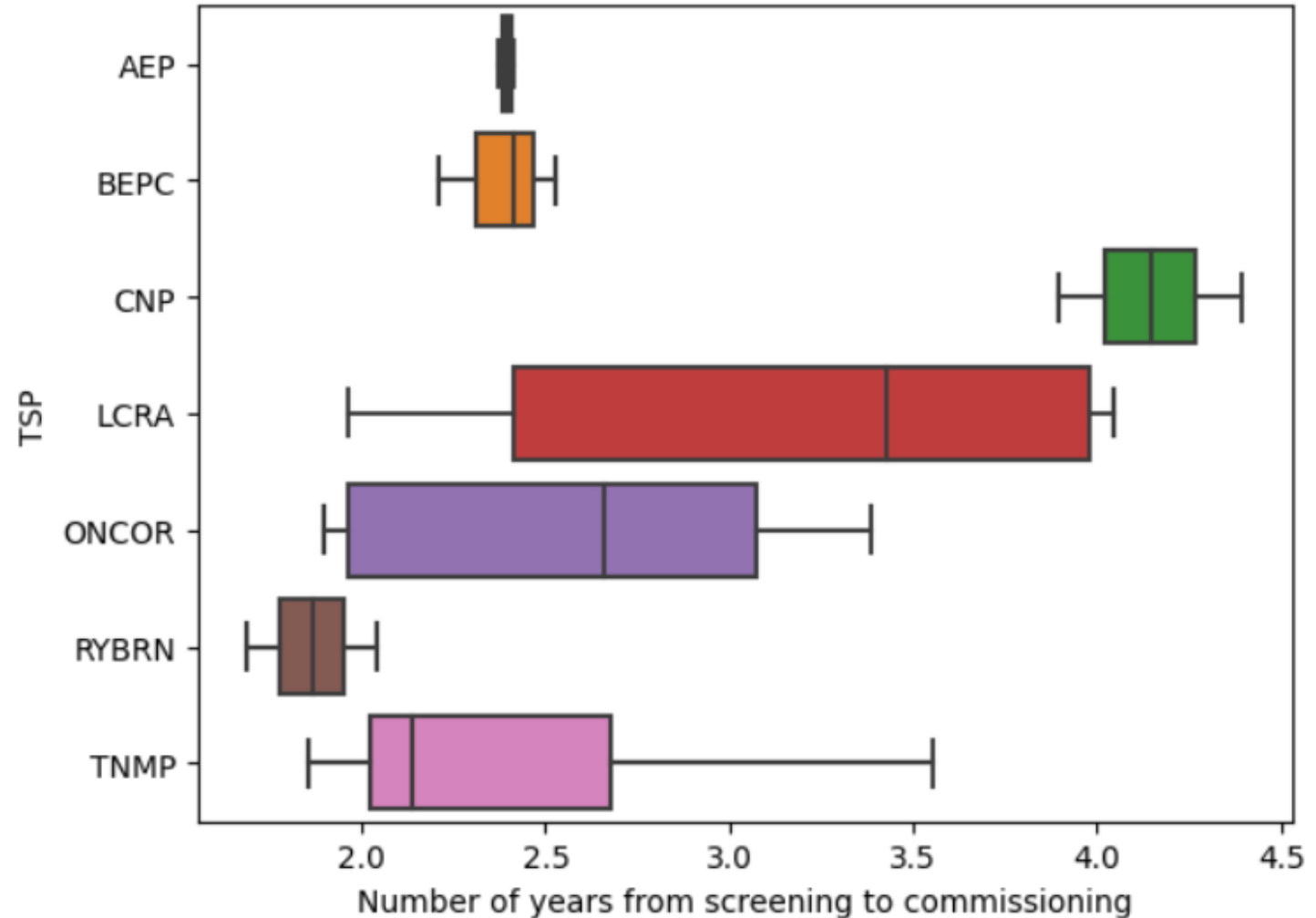
# HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE SOLAR PROJECTS END TO END?

- Average of 4.2 years
- Median times for:
  - AEP – 4 years
  - ONCOR – 3 years
  - CNP – 4.5 years
- Mean size of commissioned project ~ 156 MW



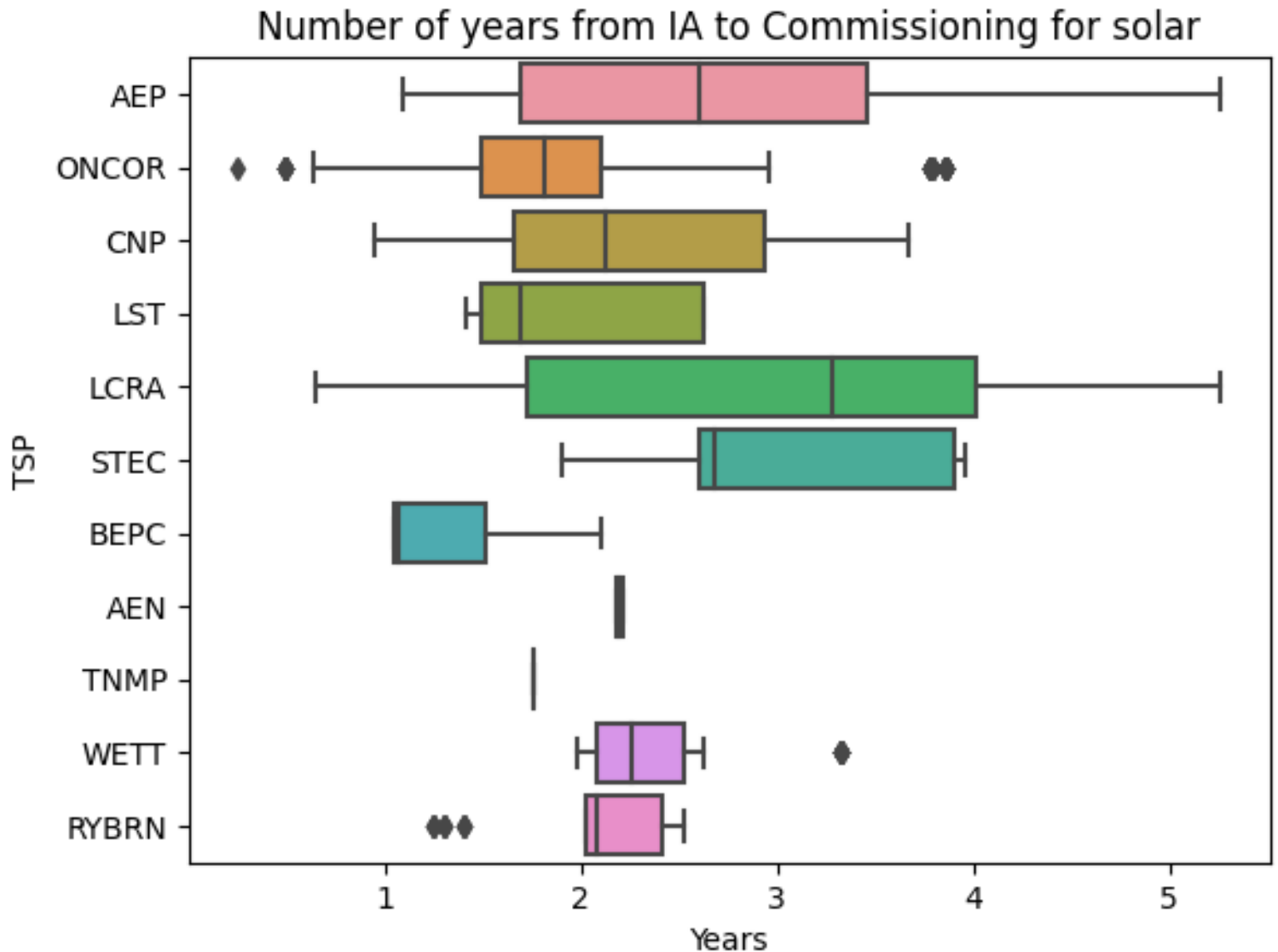
# HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE STORAGE PROJECTS END TO END?

- Average of 2.7 years
- Median times for:
  - AEP – 2.4 years
  - ONCOR – 2.7 years
  - CNP – 4.2 years
- Mean size of commissioned project ~ 89 MW



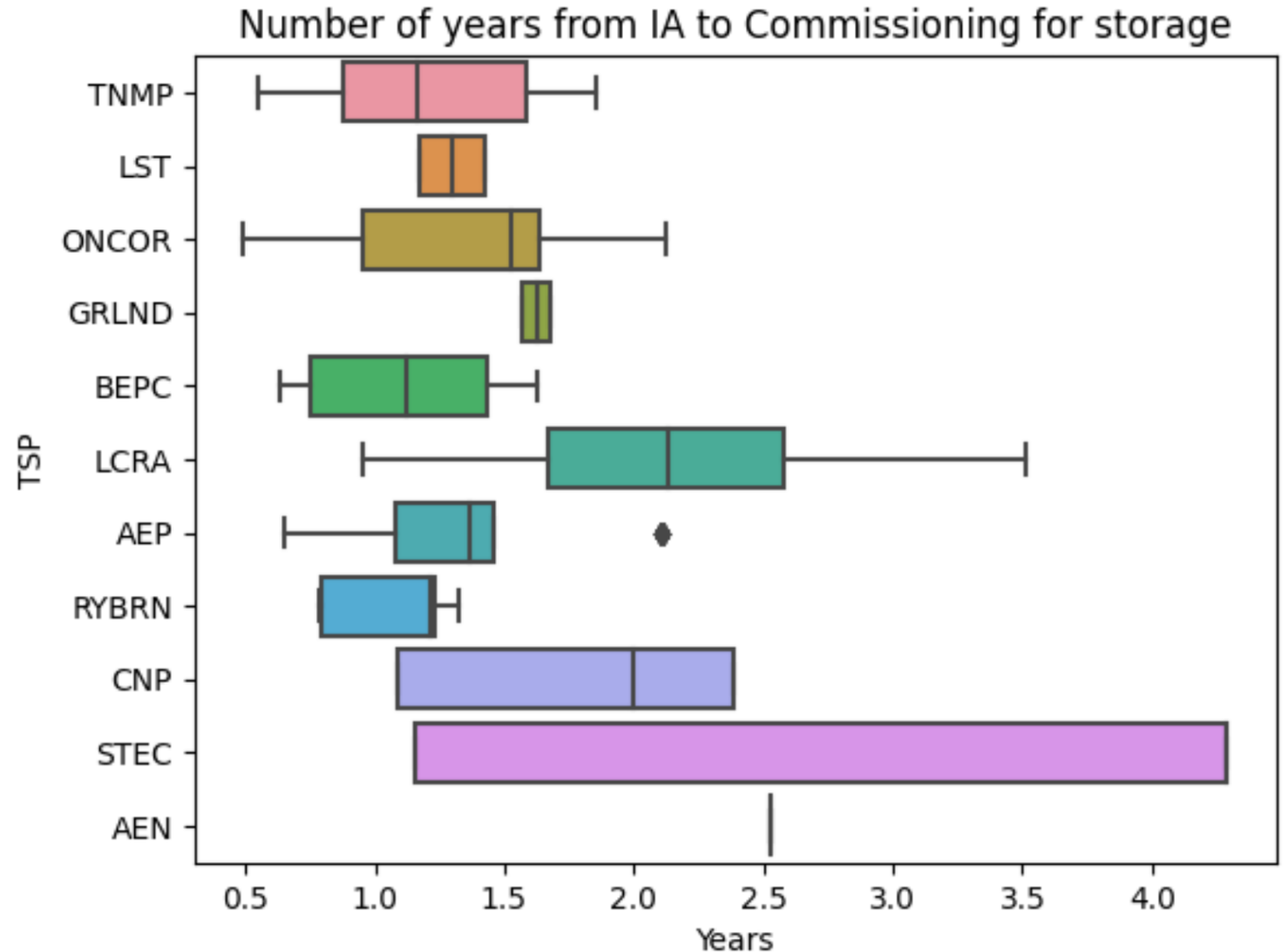
## HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE SOLAR PROJECTS FROM IA TO COMMISSIONING?

- Average of 2.2 years
- Median times for:
  - AEP – 2.5 years
  - ONCOR – 1.75 years
  - CNP – 2.25 years



## HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE STORAGE PROJECTS FROM IA TO COMMISSIONING?

- Average of 1.5 years
- Median times for:
  - AEP – 1.4 years
  - ONCOR – 1.5 years
  - CNP – 2 years



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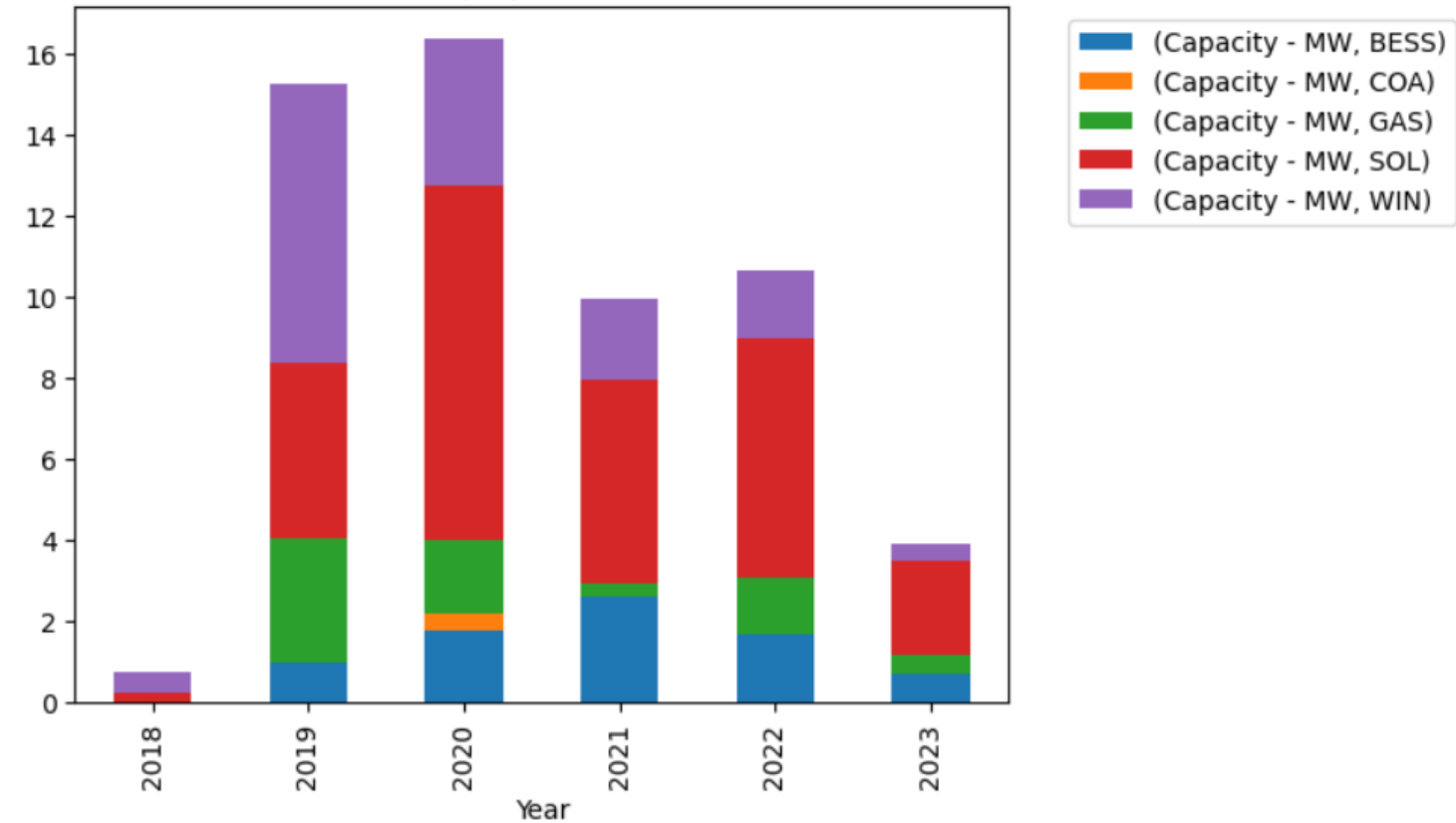
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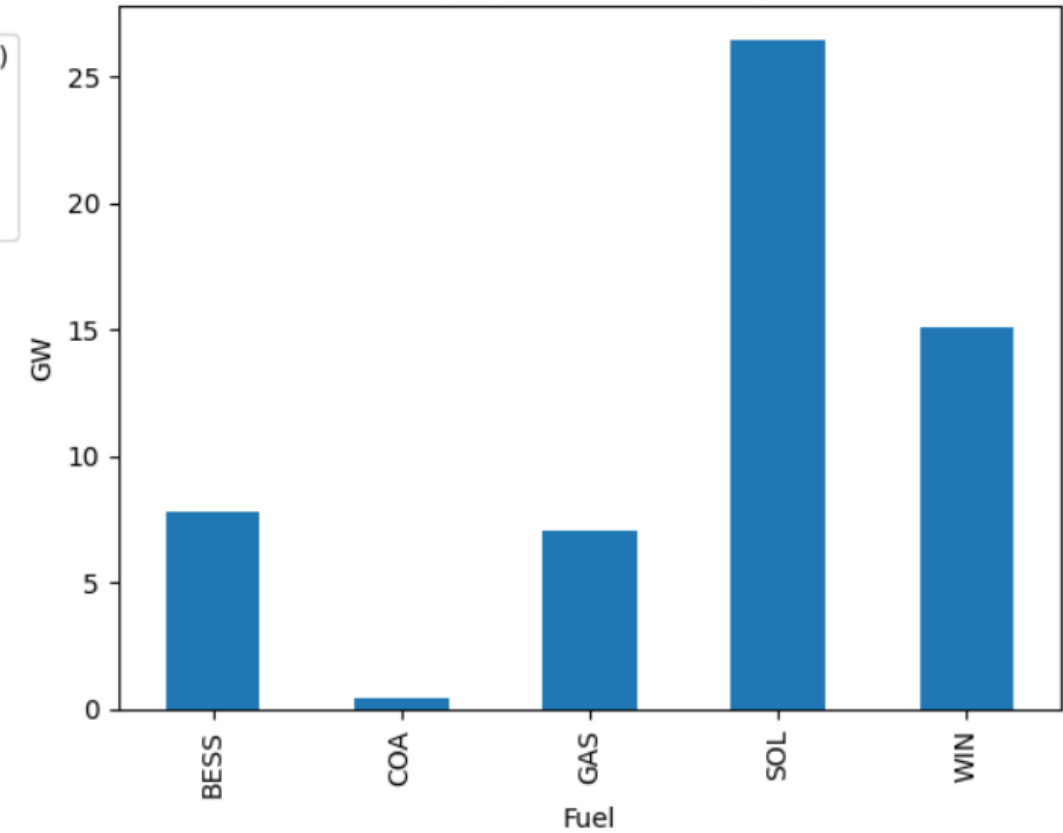
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# CANCELLED PROJECTS – MAINLY RENEWABLES!

GW of project cancelled



GW of projects cancelled by fuel



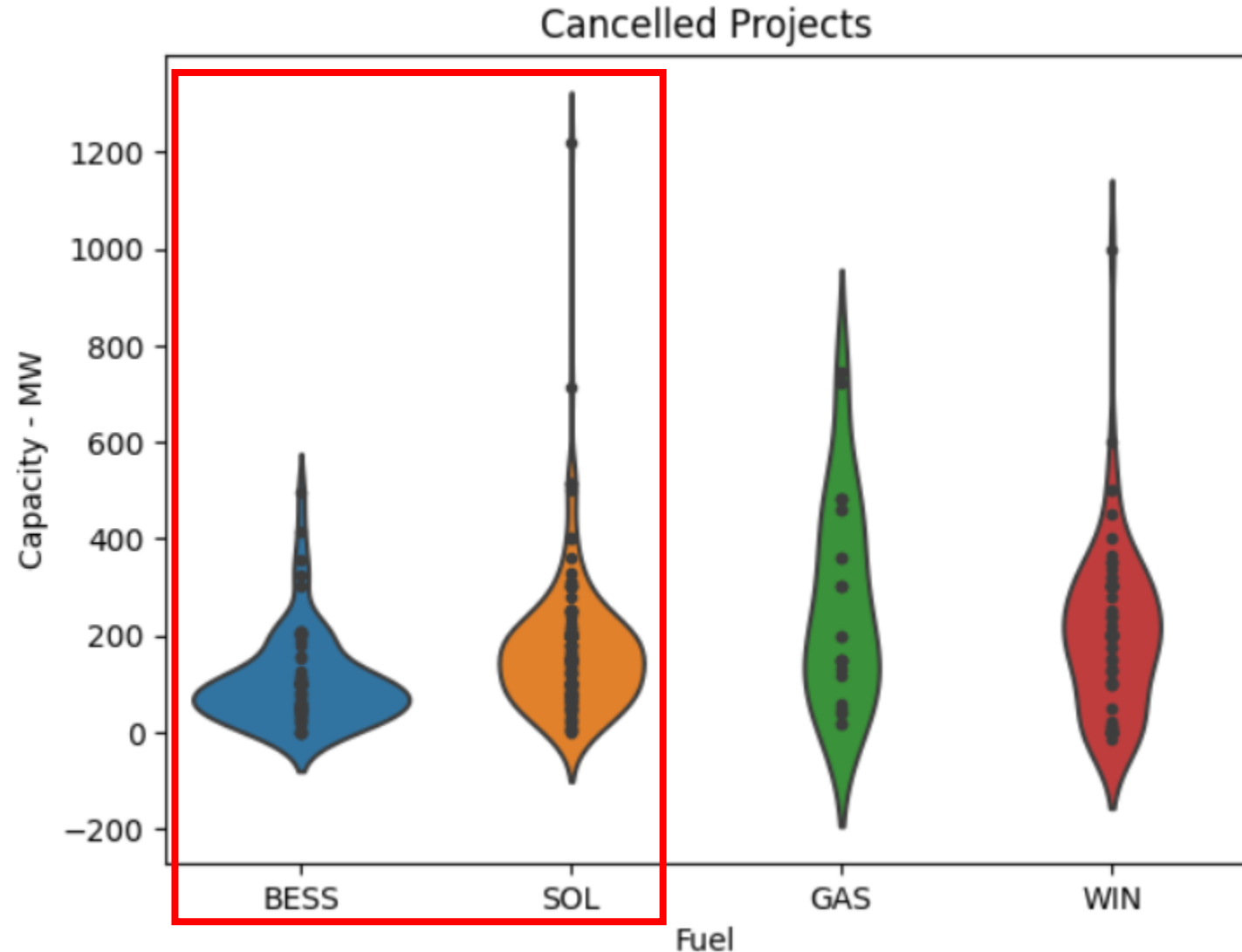
# HOW BIG ARE THE SOLAR AND STORAGE PROJECTS CANCELLED?

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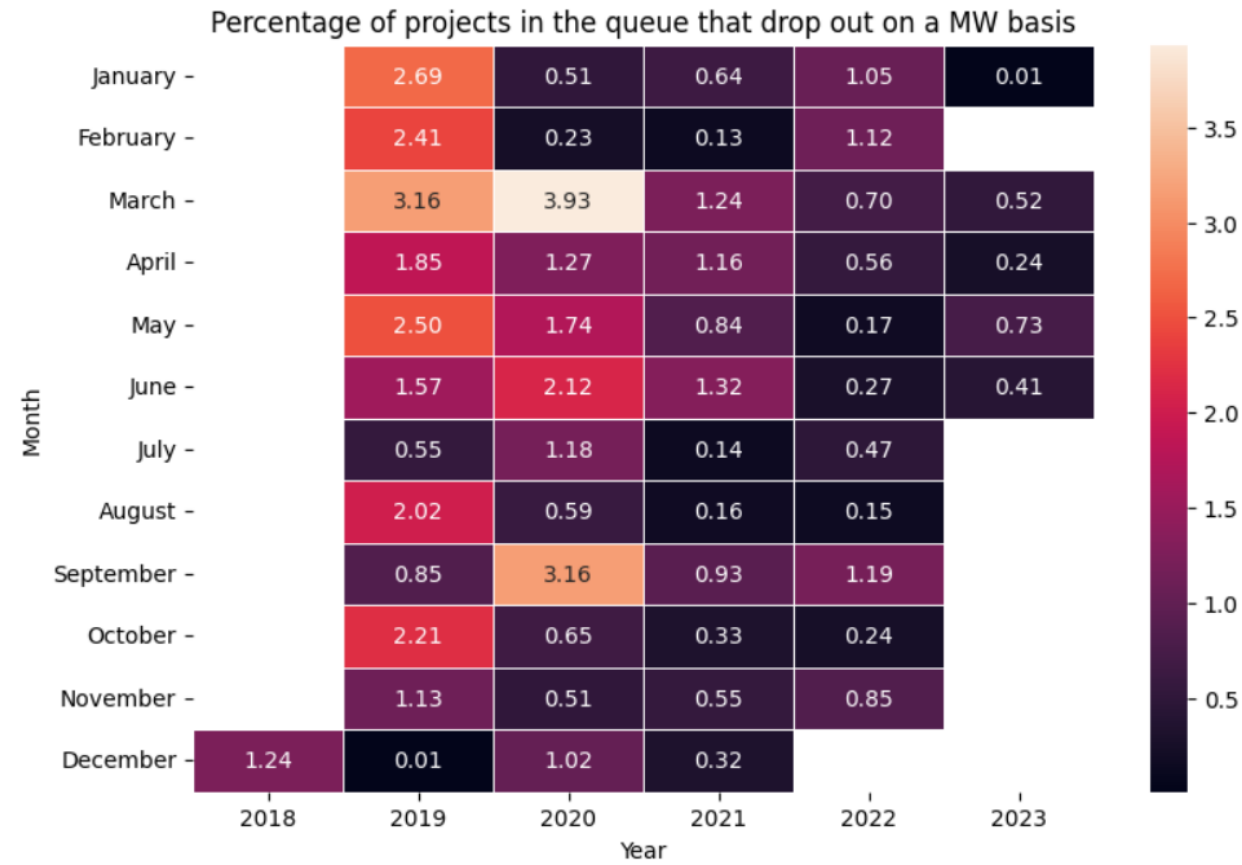
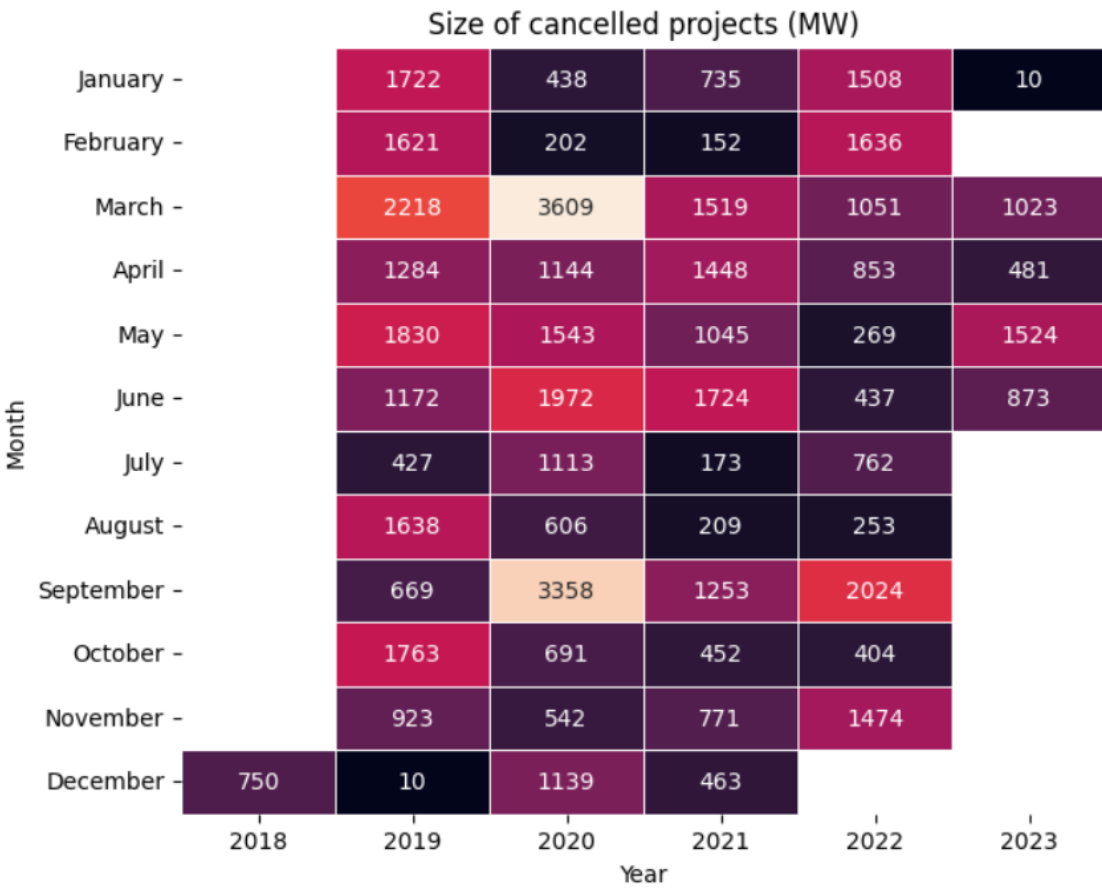
- Median size ~ 175 MW
- Most projects clustered (in size) around 100 – 300 MW range
- Solar projects – more heavily clustered than gas or wind

## Storage Projects:

- Median size ~ 100 MW
- Most projects clustered around 0 – 200 MW range

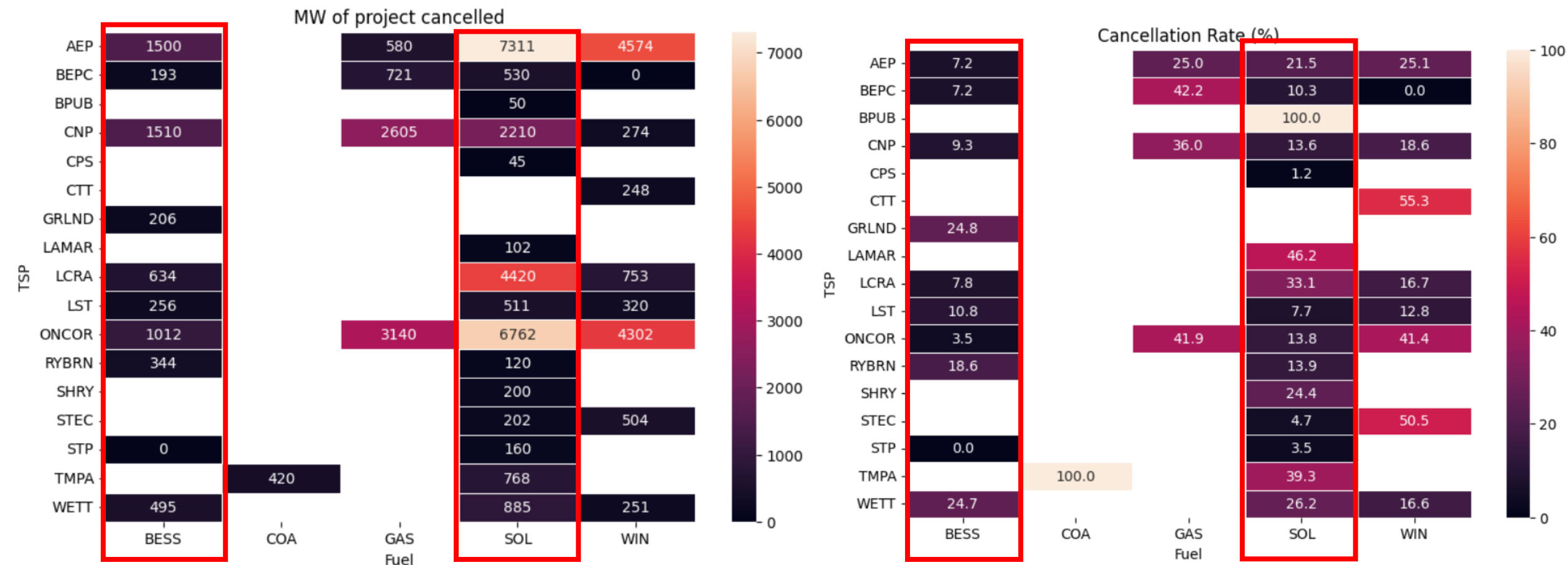


# HEATMAP OF CANCELLED PROJECTS BY TIME



\*All fuel types

# HEATMAP OF CANCELLED PROJECTS BY UTILITY AND FUEL

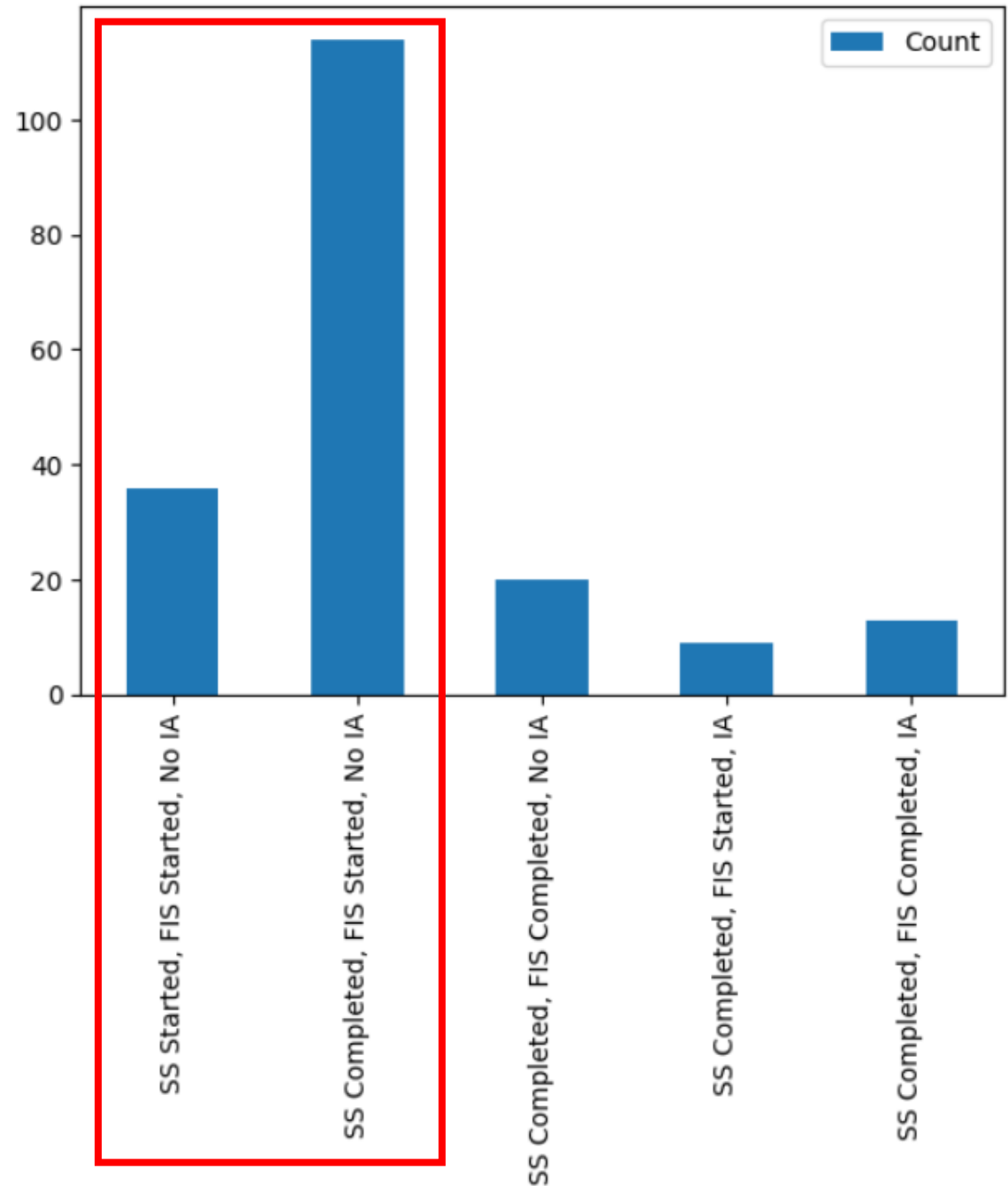


\*IOUs have an average cancellation rate of 15%

## WHEN ARE SOLAR PROJECTS DROPPING OUT OF THE QUEUE?

- 114 projects cancelled having **completed SS and started FIS**
- 36 projects cancelled having **started SS and started FIS**

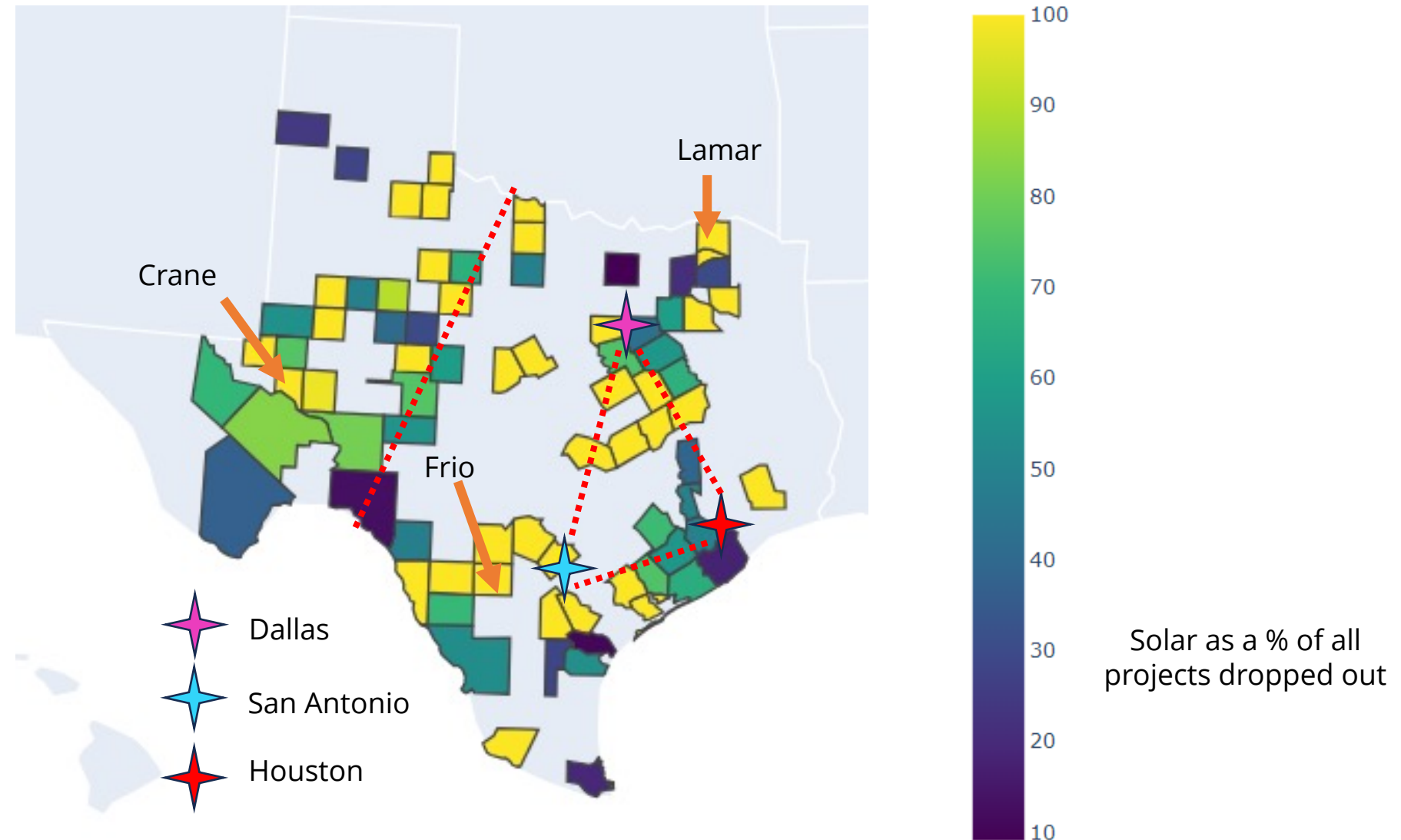
Number of solar projects at different stages before cancellation



# WHICH COUNTIES HAVE A HIGH DROPOUT RATE OF SOLAR?

100% dropout  
(MW and number of projects)

- Lamar – 1132 (7)
- Crane – 719 (3)
- Frio – 613 (5)
- Johnson – 502 (1)
- Comanche – 484 (2)



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## General Queue

Growing Exponentially

Dominated by solar and storage

ONCOR, AEP and CNP – biggest IOUs

## Commissioned Projects

11% average success rate for solar, 6% for storage

Solar: 4.2 years end to end  
Storage: 2.7 years end to end

Solar: 2.2 years IA to end  
Storage: 1.5 years IA to end

## Cancelled Projects

FIS study phase – most projects cancelled

Solar dropout rates:  
AEP – 21.5%  
CNP - 13.6%  
ONCOR – 13.8%

Lamar, Crane, Frio – high dropout rate

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Queue growing rapidly, longer wait times expected, need to factor into financial models (higher dev. costs etc.)

Understand why certain counties and utilities have high dropout rate and circumvent these issues

Recommendations/  
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Work with utilities to fast-track FIS

Include data from historical queue analytics into CCR Webmaps to assist in Greenfielding/early-stage development

# PROPOSING NEW LAYER FOR IX QUEUE DATA

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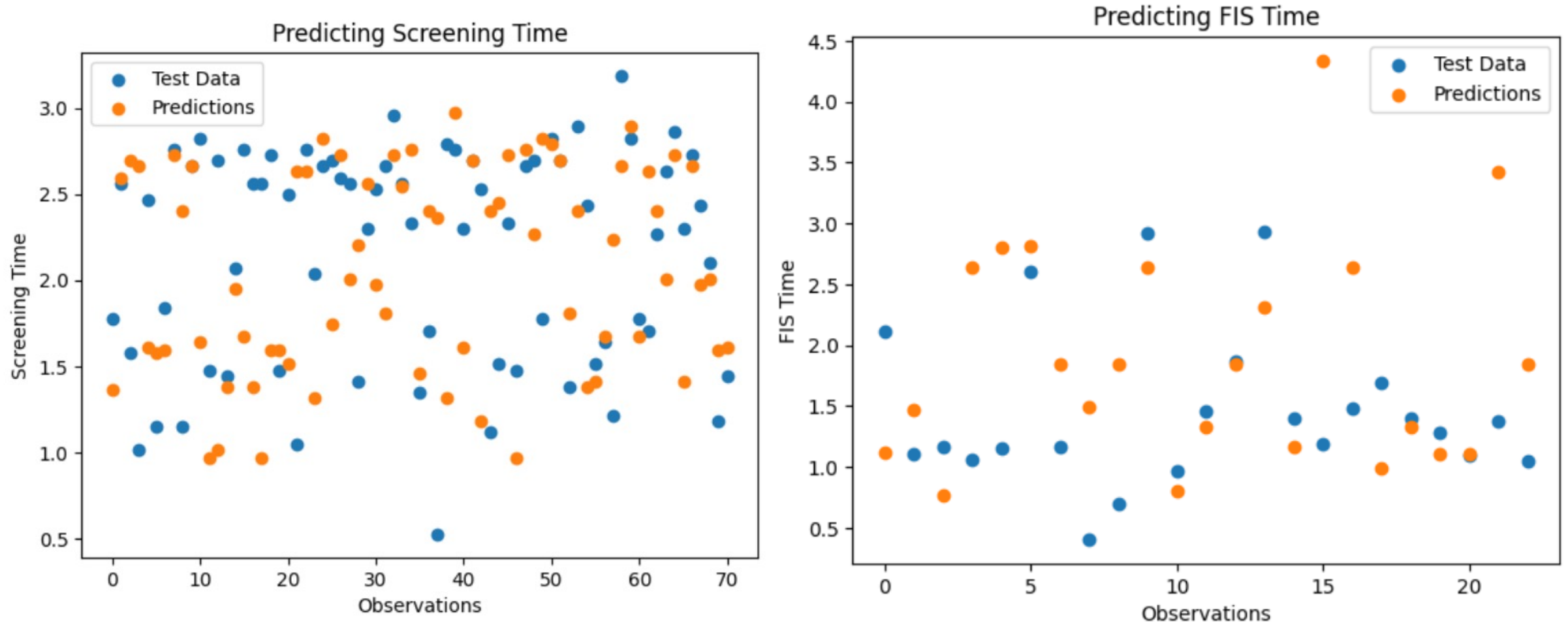
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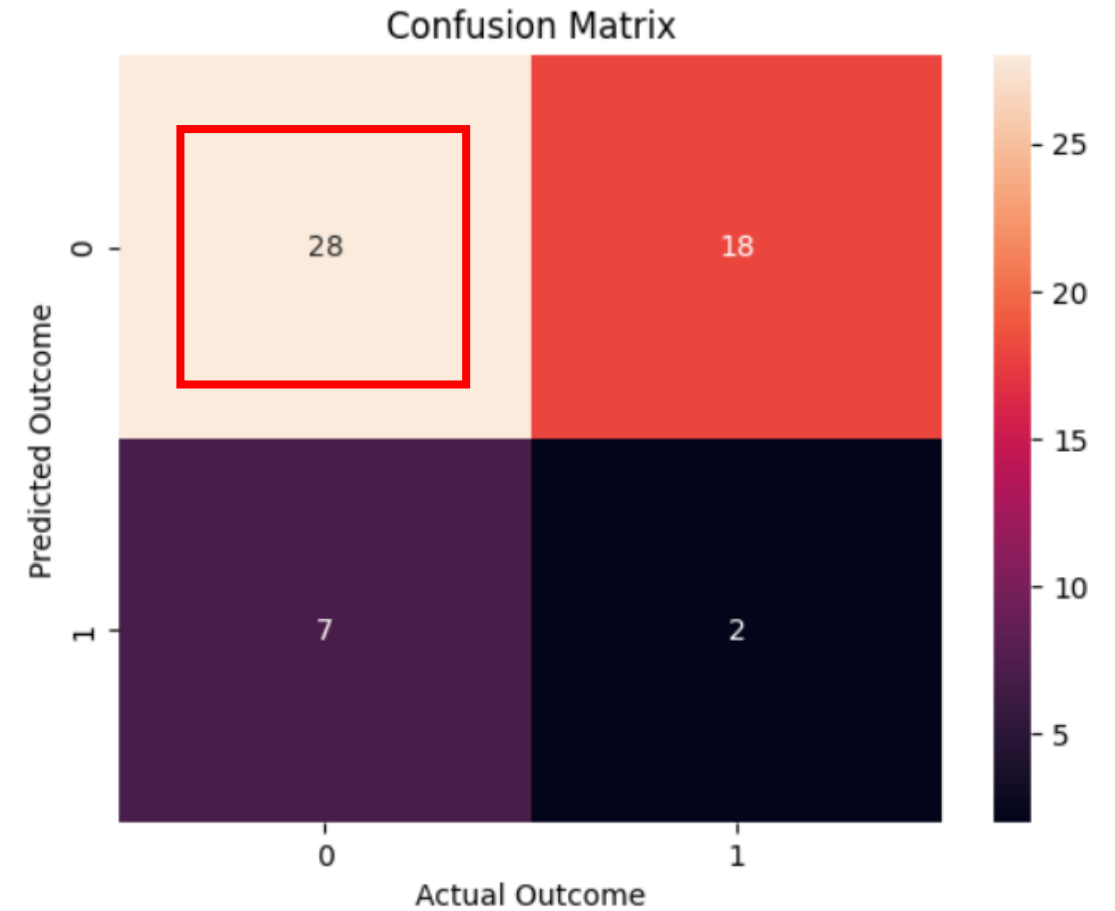
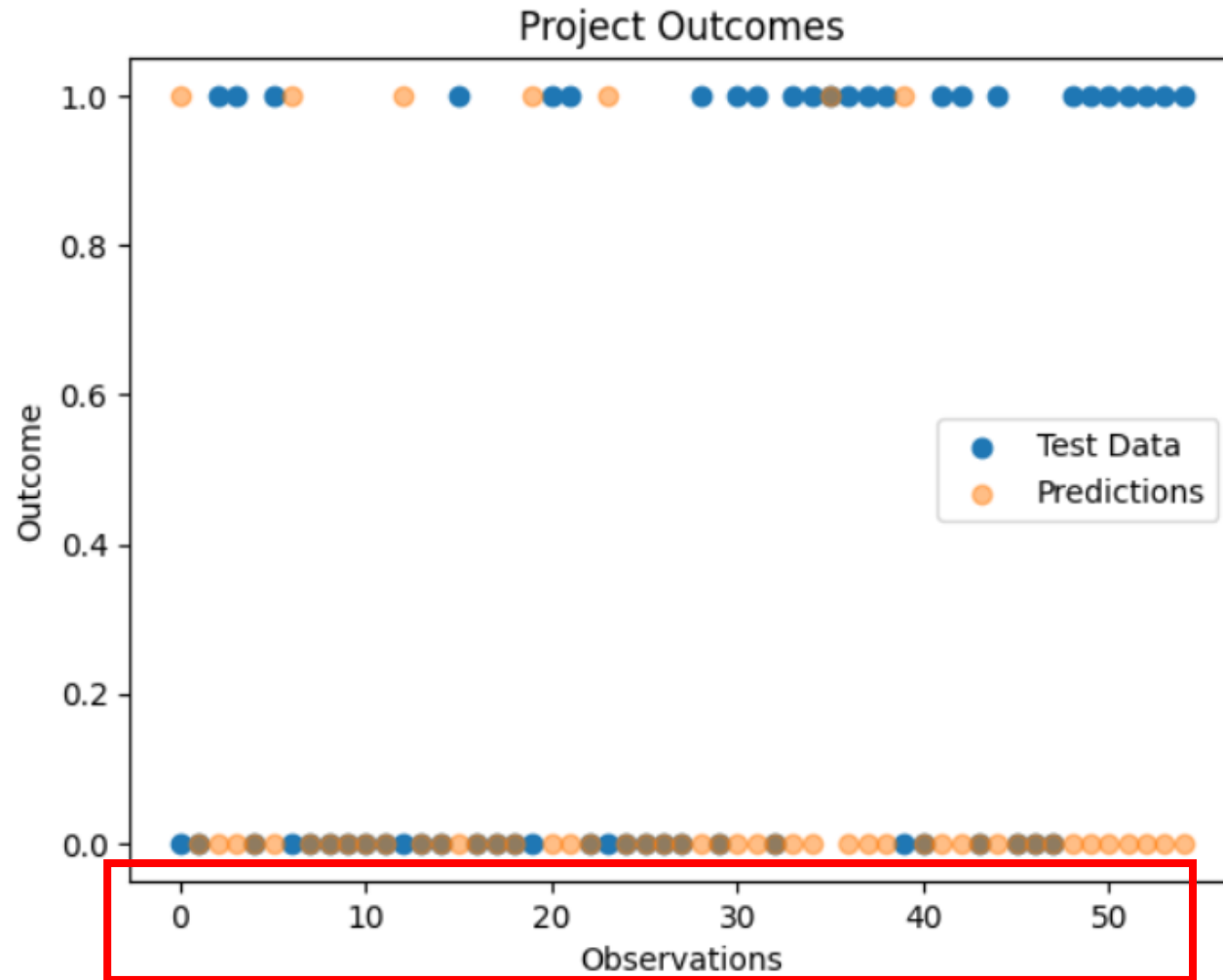
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# USING CAPACITY AND UTILITY TO PREDICT STUDY TIMES!



# USING CAPACITY AND UTILITY TO PREDICT PROJECT OUTCOMES



Thank you!