

# ESIC DER-VET Task Force

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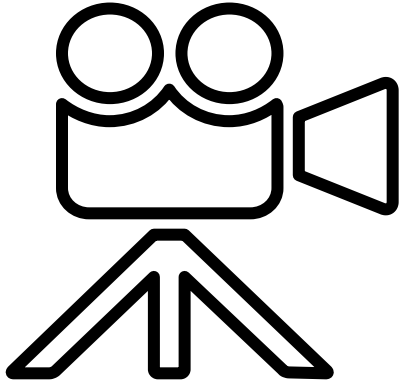
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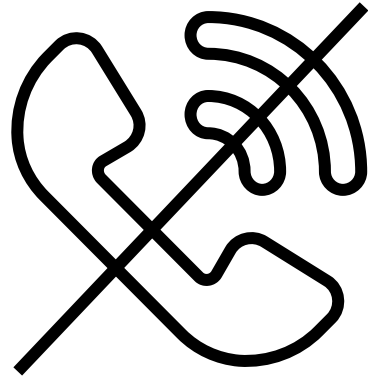
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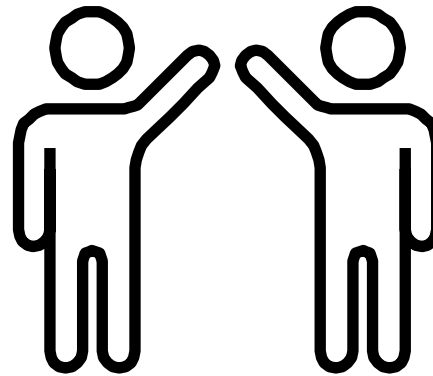
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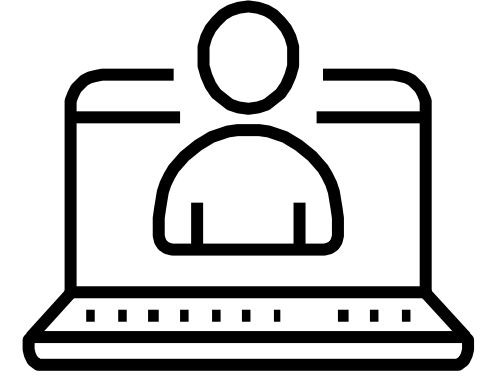
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# Agenda

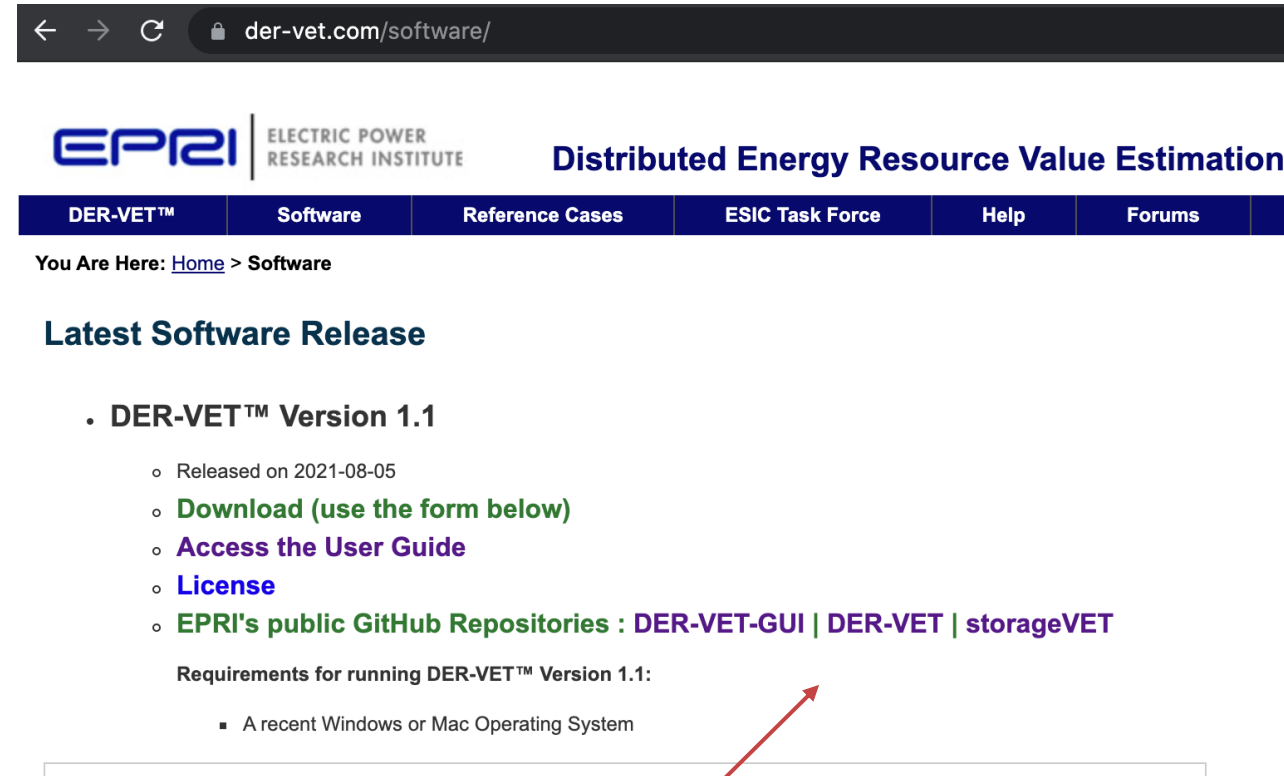
- DER-VET v1.1 Release
- Reference Case Updates



# DER-VET V1.1

# Version 1.1 Released Today (August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021)

- Highlights of Bug Fixes:
  - Downloading Sample CSV files from the GUI
  - Upload support for timeseries CSV file saved in Excel on a Mac
  - Demand Response input parameter fixes
  - Tariff file import errors fixed
  - Deferral proforma fix (should have a value beyond analysis year)
- **NOTE:** for further details on changes, please find the CHANGELOG.md files (continuously updated) in each of the 3 EPRI DER-VET GitHub repos.



The screenshot shows the EPRI DER-VET software website. The browser address bar displays [der-vet.com/software/](https://der-vet.com/software/). The website header includes the EPRI logo (Electric Power Research Institute) and the title "Distributed Energy Resource Value Estimation". A navigation menu contains links for DER-VET™, Software, Reference Cases, ESIC Task Force, Help, and Forums. Below the menu, a breadcrumb trail reads "You Are Here: [Home](#) > Software". The main content area is titled "Latest Software Release" and features a section for "DER-VET™ Version 1.1". This section lists the release date (2021-08-05) and provides links for downloading the software (with a note to use the form below), accessing the user guide, viewing the license, and finding EPRI's public GitHub repositories (DER-VET-GUI, DER-VET, and storageVET). Below these links, the requirements for running DER-VET™ Version 1.1 are listed, starting with "A recent Windows or Mac Operating System". A red arrow points from the bottom right of the text area to the GitHub repository links.

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## ■ Highlights of New GUI Features

- Nicer process to import an existing project
- Easy to now add a new pre-defined case
- ~~Validation on timeseries data received from project import .json file~~
- We now have 4 pre-defined use cases in the GUI, with webpage support
- GUI support for negative growth rates
- Save a deactivated Technology in a project

## ■ IMPROVEMENTS

- How-To video for installation on a Mac
- Better instructions (README) for building DER-VET from source code
- Dispatch plot sign convention update (GUI)
- O&M cost calculation escalates rates before energy is considered (StorageVET)





# Reference Cases

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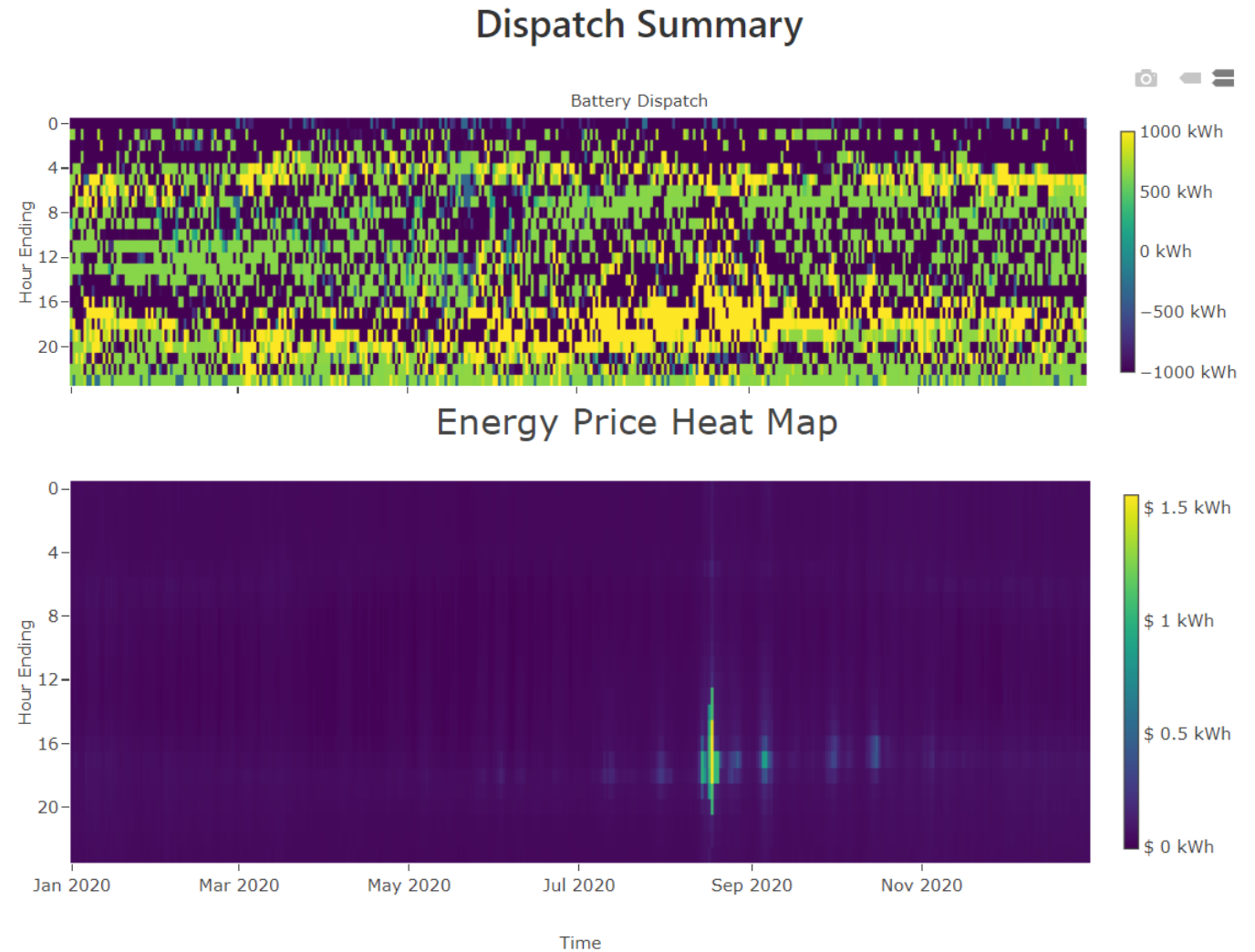
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# CAISO Market Case

- Replaces ERCOT case
- Energy time shift + regulation for a fixed-size battery
- Uses 2020 historical data and a simple battery energy storage system model



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# EV Battery Sizing

- Curtailable EV fleet charging load
  - Instantaneously, up to 50% of charging load can be curtailed
  - Cost of lost load input suppresses this
- Optimally-sized battery
  - Sized and operated to work with the curtailable EV charging load
- EV load based on real data, but repeats every day



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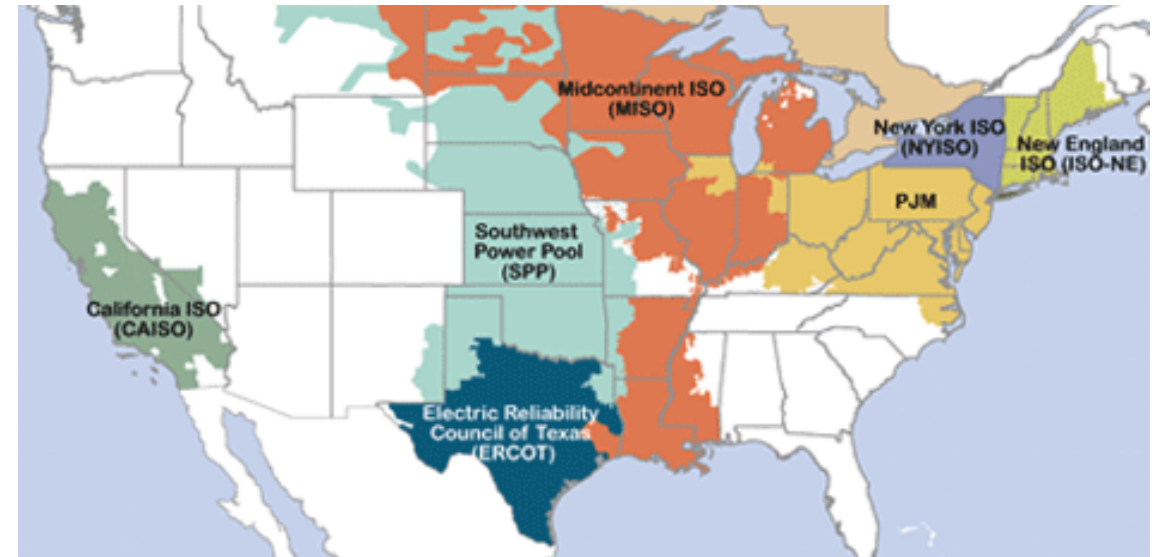
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# Case Description

## Value of Energy Shifting

- Hub-level across United States ISO/RTO regions
- Energy time shifting only
- Very simple storage model
  - 85% roundtrip efficiency
  - Variable duration (2-96 hours)
  - No auxiliary load, self discharge, minimum power, etc.



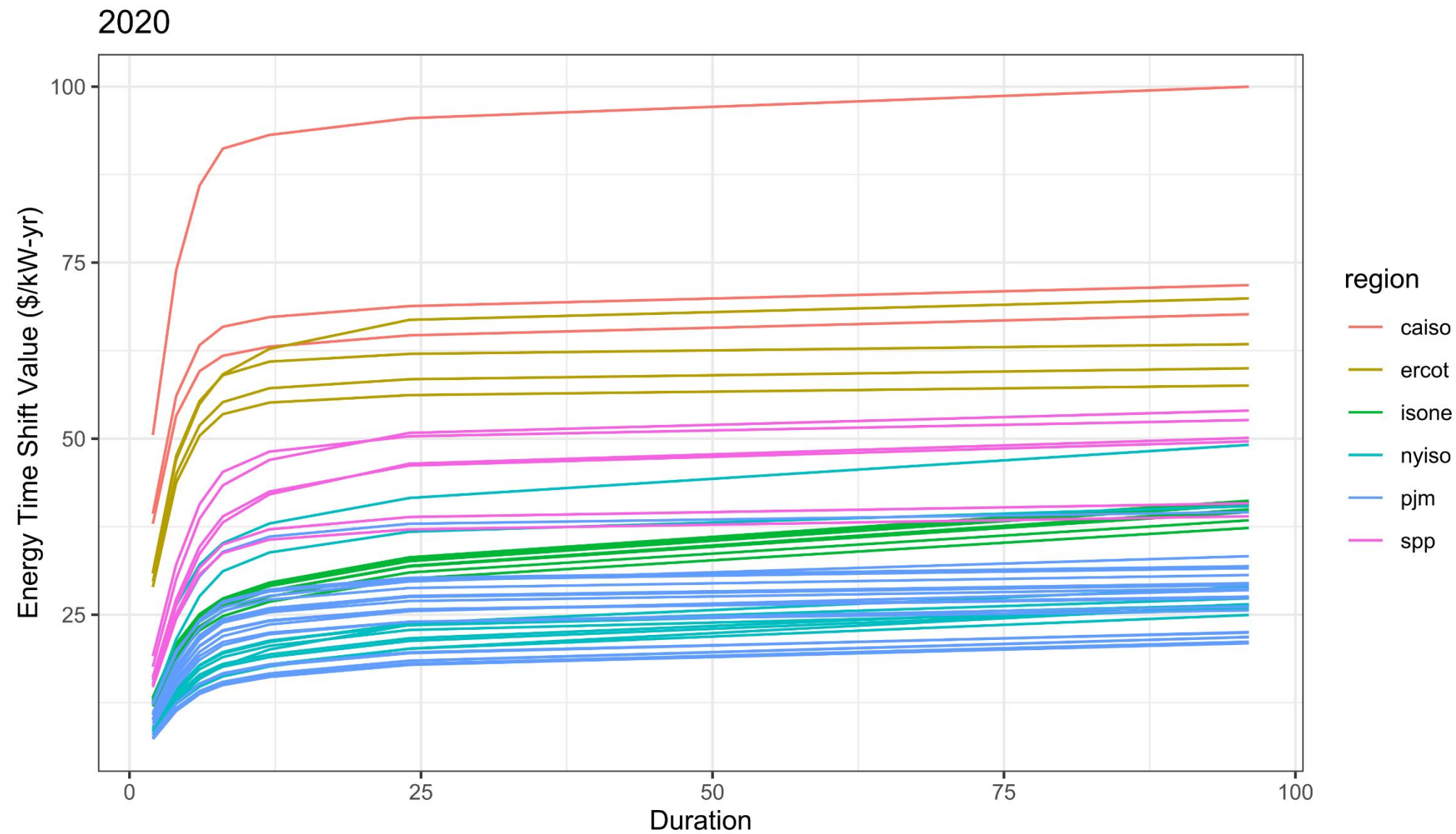
\*For a full list of assumptions, see the reference case on [www.der-vet.com/referencecases](http://www.der-vet.com/referencecases)

# Setup

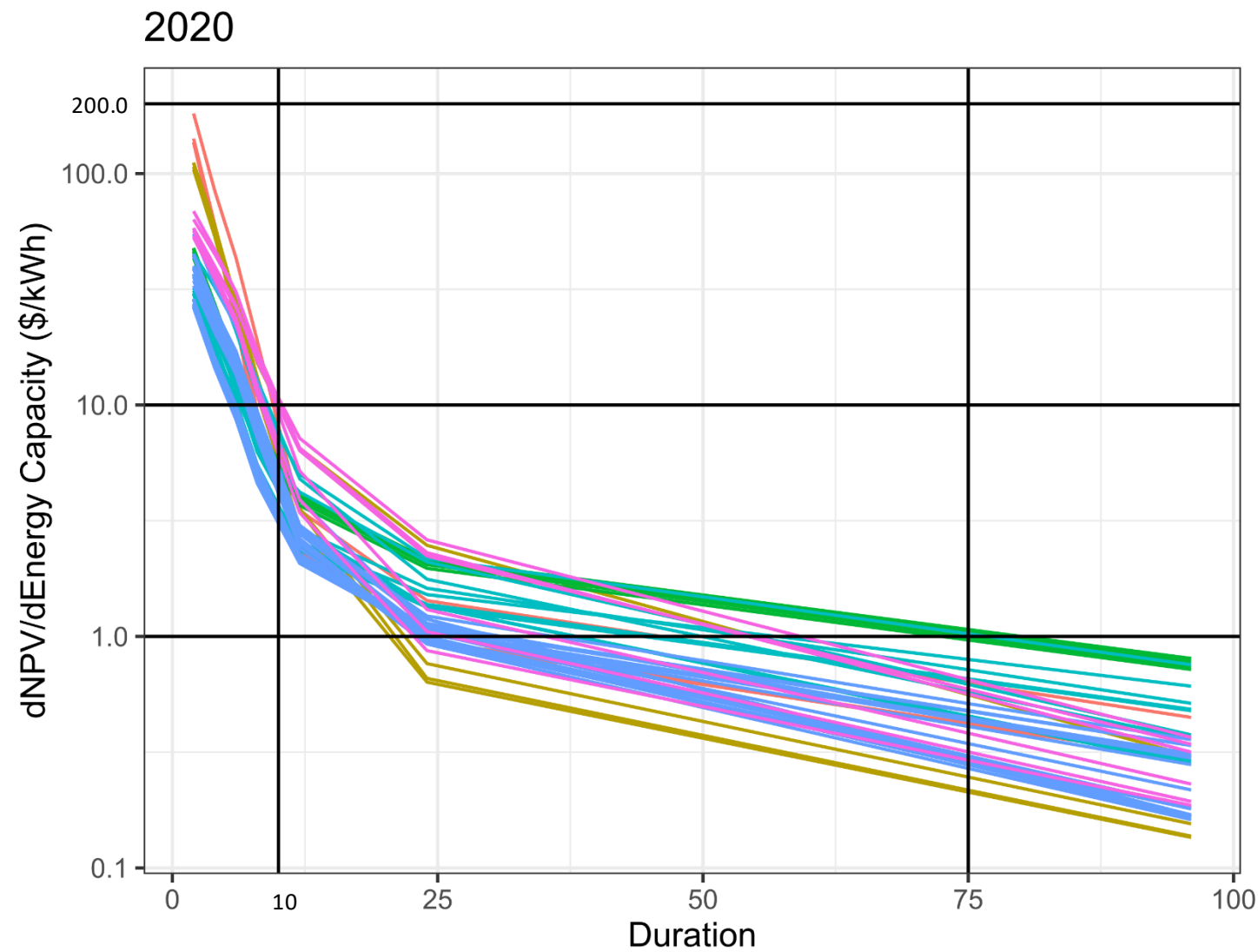
- Install command line version of DER-VET and StorageVET as a sub-module
- Download Reference Case .zip file and extract contents
- Move model parameters files to dervet folder
- Move run\_all.bat to dervet folder
- Move timeseries data files to dervet\storagevet\data\Timeseries Files
- Move other data files to dervet\storagevet\data
- Run all cases at once with run\_all.bat file on Windows
  - Open anaconda prompt
  - cd to dervet directory
  - Activate DER-VET virtual environment
  - Type “run\_all.bat” and hit enter



# Results



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Assuming 10yr life  
and 7% discount rate

# Conclusion

- No capacity value or other services (note, ERCOT is included)
  - Future work could add in capacity value, where applicable
- Only looked at one historical year of data (2020)
  - Future work could bring in projections
- Only highly simplified Li-ion reference specs were used
  - Longer lived, lower efficiency technology options would be interesting, especially for the longer durations.
  - More detailed technology specs could improve results



# Next Meeting

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- September 2, 2021 11:00 AM Pacific Time

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