

A Simulation-based Decision Model for Designing Contract Period in Energy Performance Contracting

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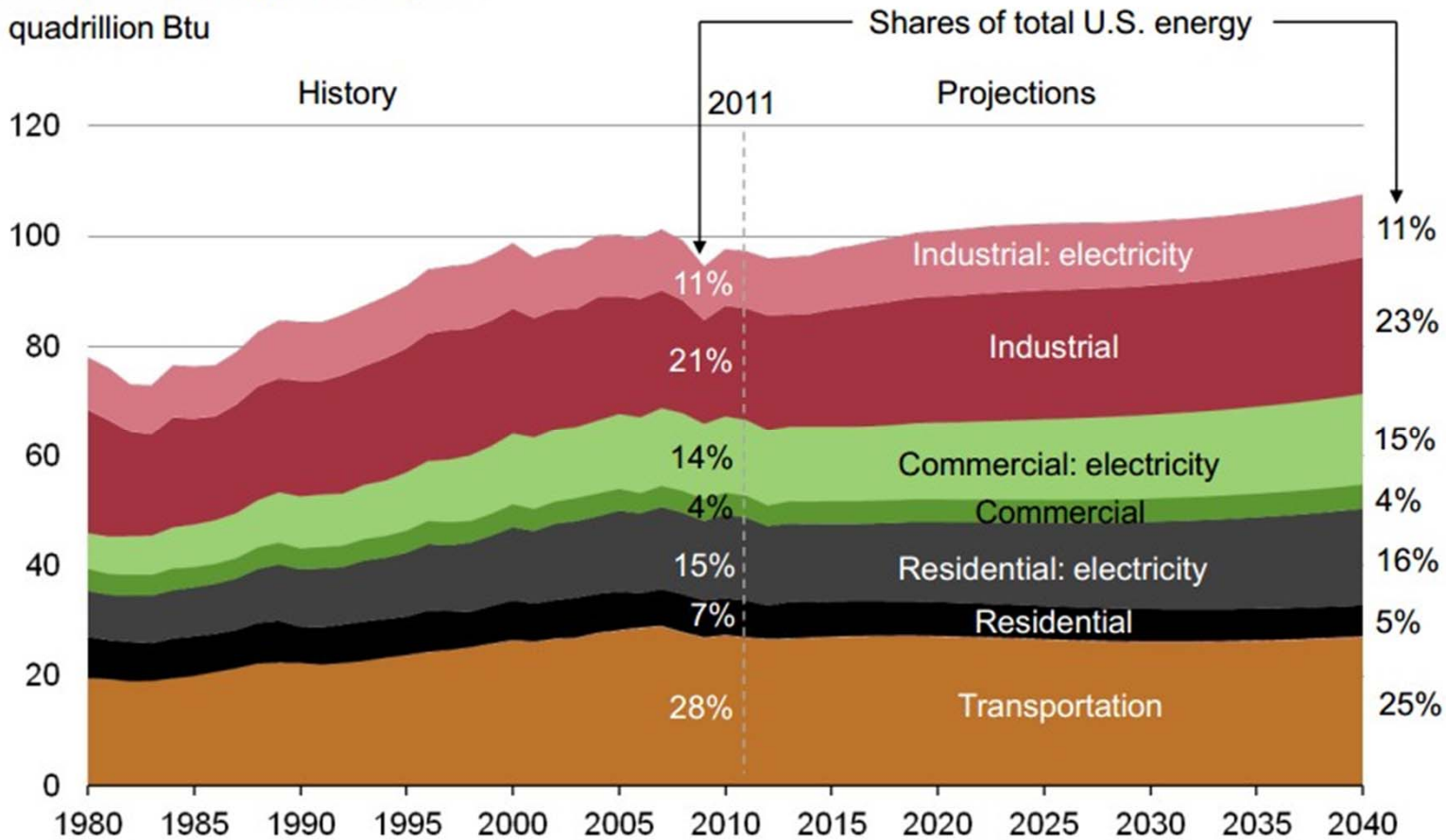
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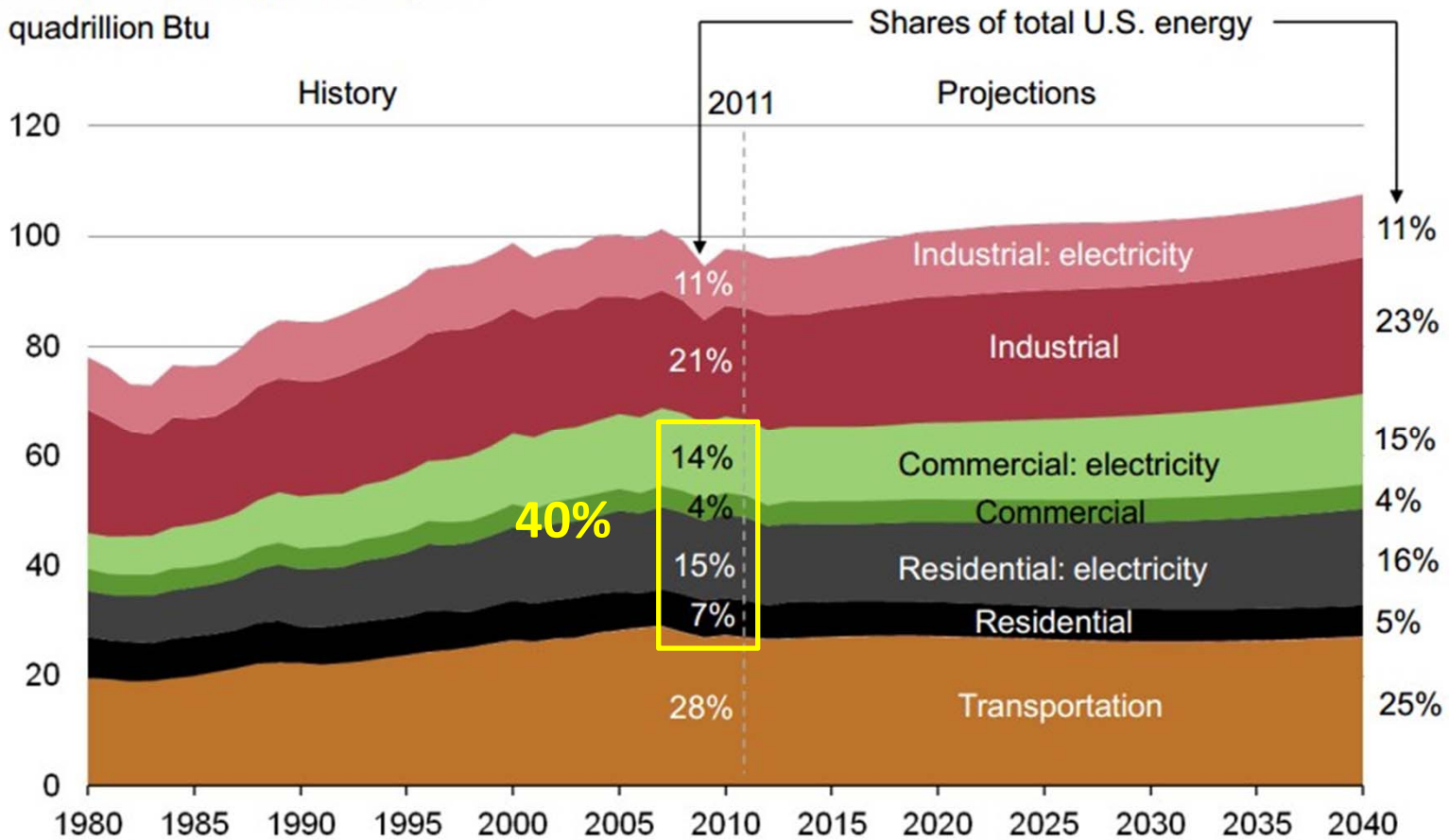
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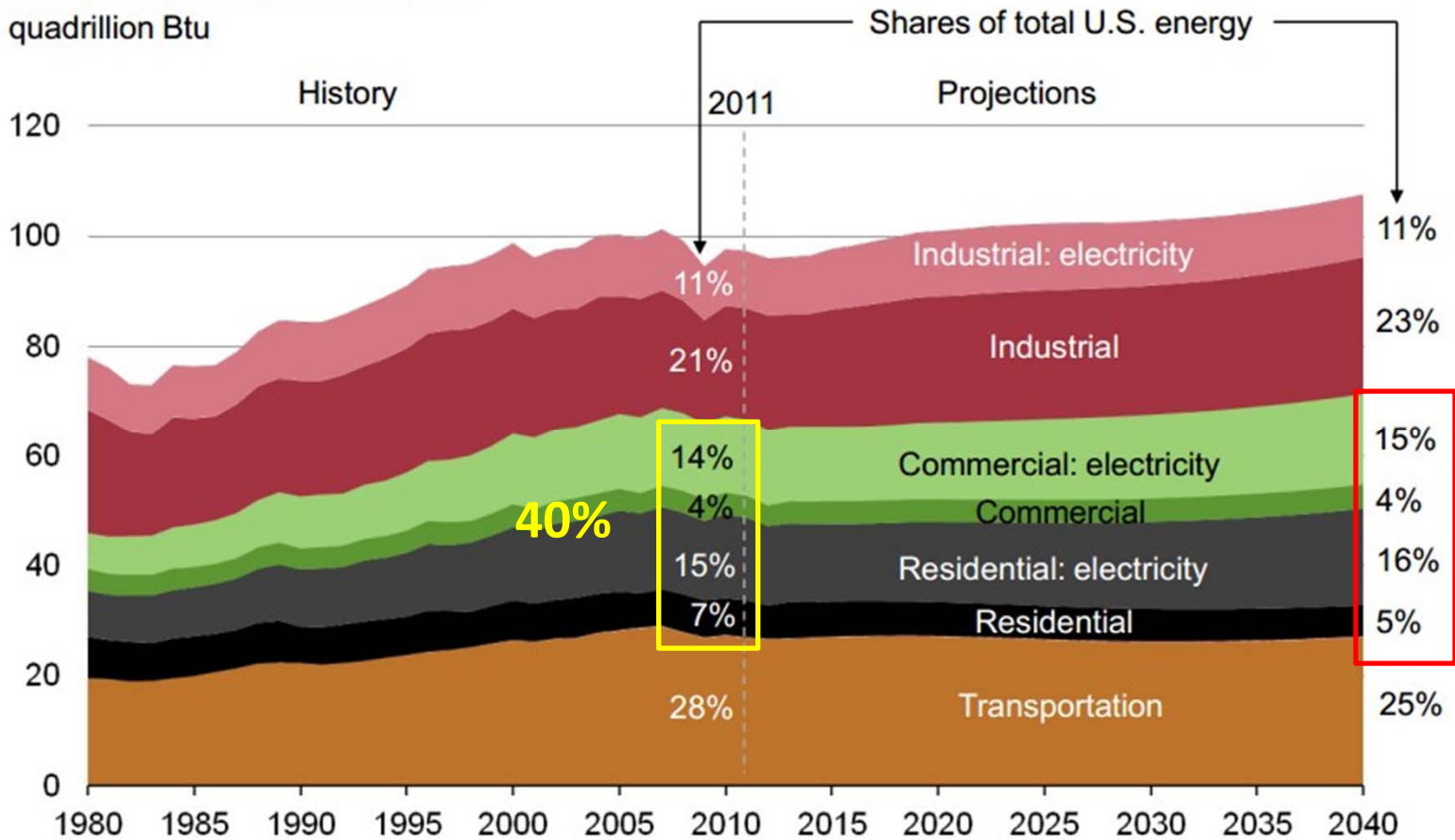
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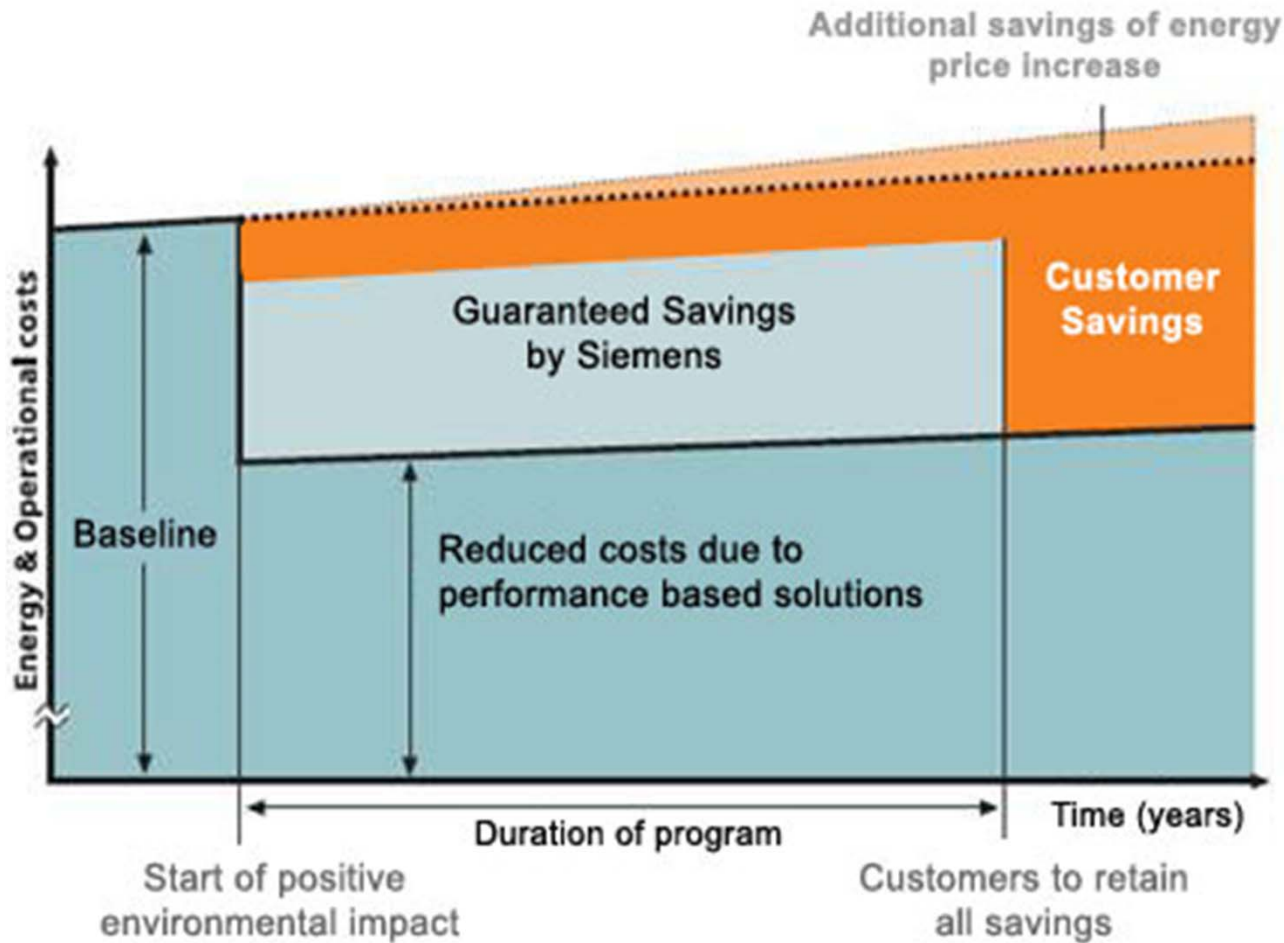
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- Energy Conservation Measures (ECMs)

Lighting Upgrades, Water Conservation, HVAC, Building Envelop, Windows Upgrades, Insulation, Mechanical Improvement, etc.

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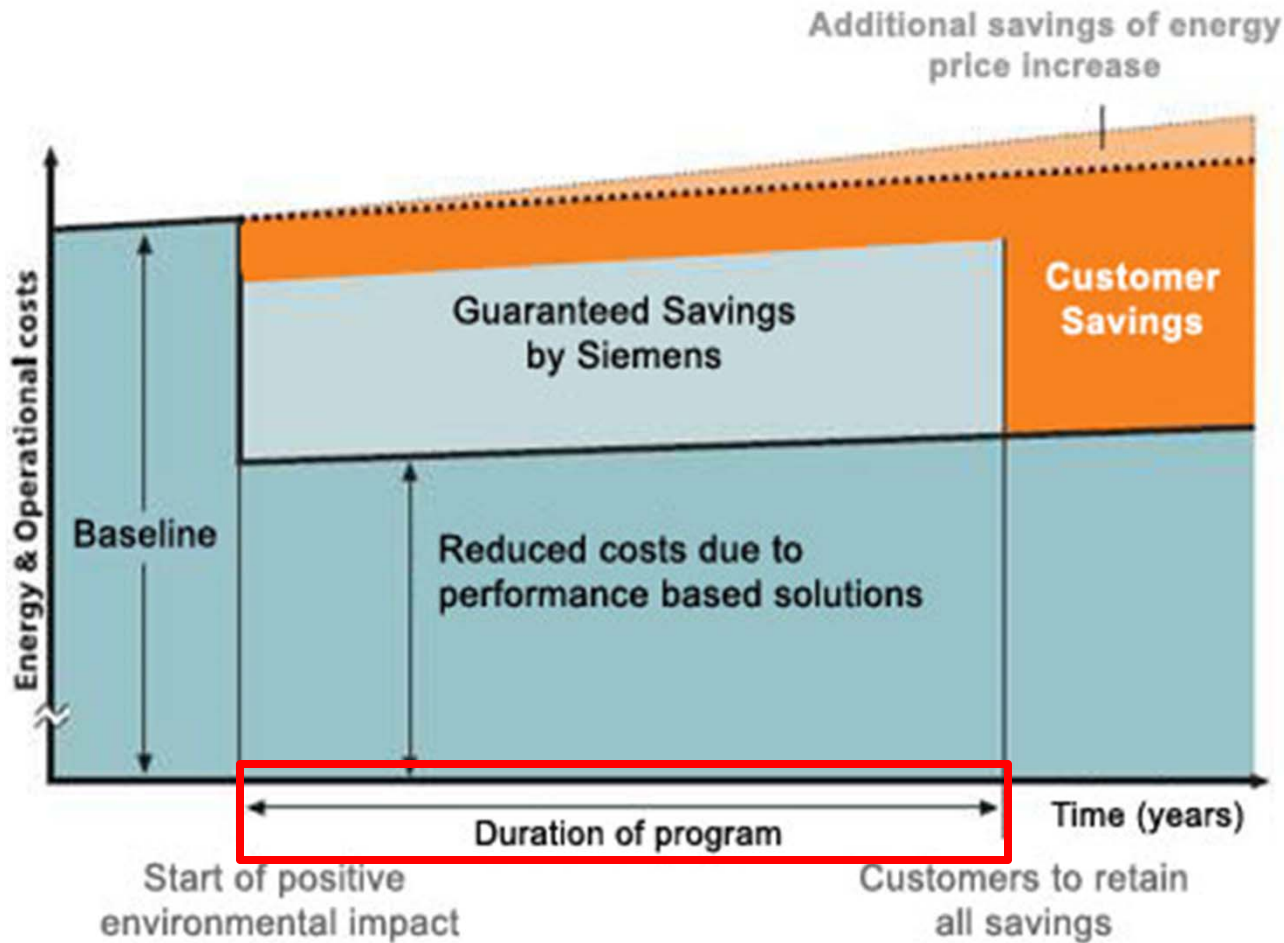
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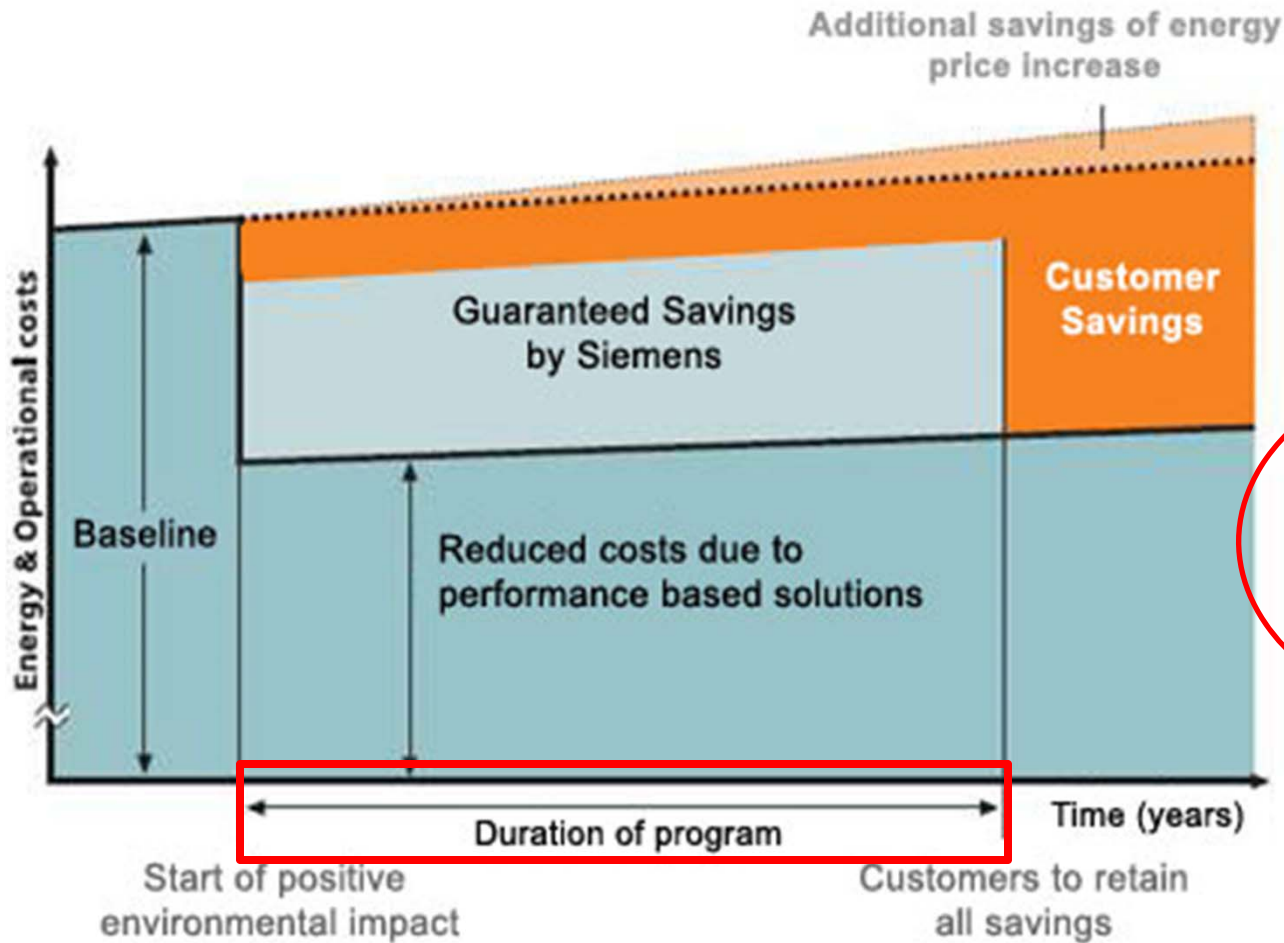


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- 3) Uncertainties of **energy price, energy conservation measures performances, operation and maintenance activities, measurement and verification practices ...**

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State Energy Conservation Offices

10 years → 7 states (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, etc.)

15 years → 11 states (DC, Hawaii, Maryland, etc.)

20 years → 8 states (Alabama, Delaware, Florida, etc.)

25 years → 3 states (Arizona, Colorado, Idaho)

35 years → 1 states (New York)

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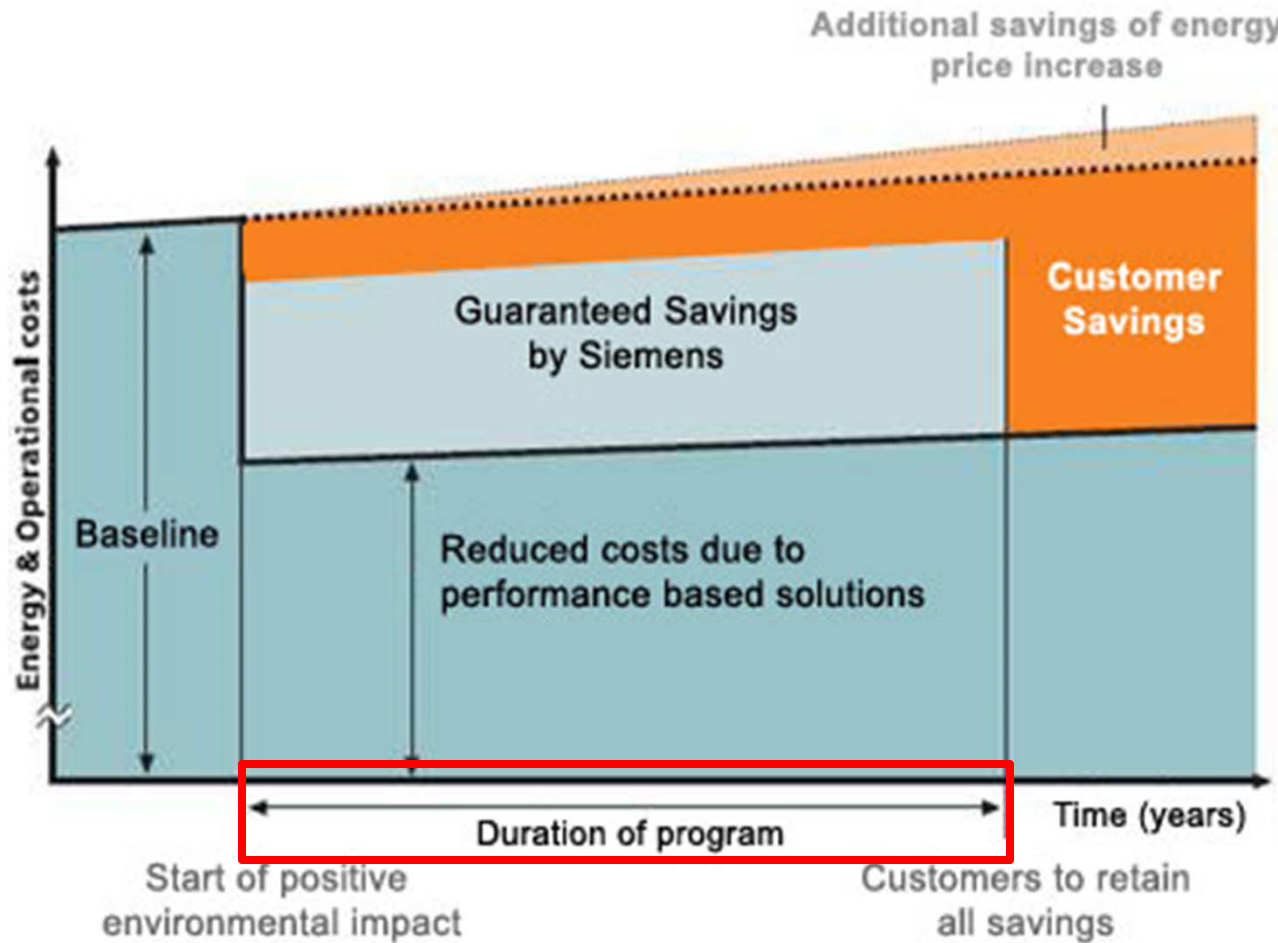
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Contract design (Guaranteed energy cost savings + Profit sharing percentage + Excess profit sharing beyond guarantee)

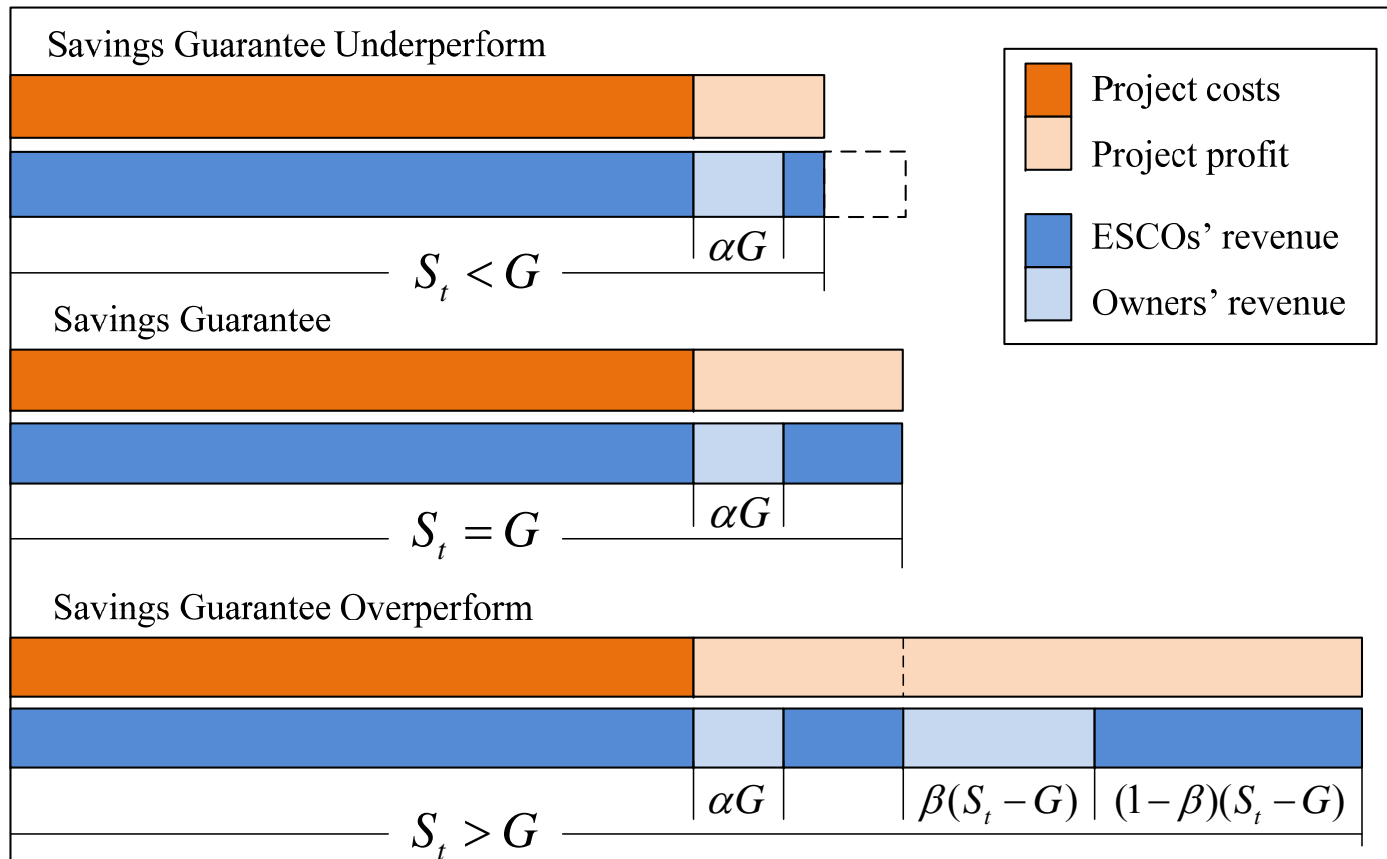
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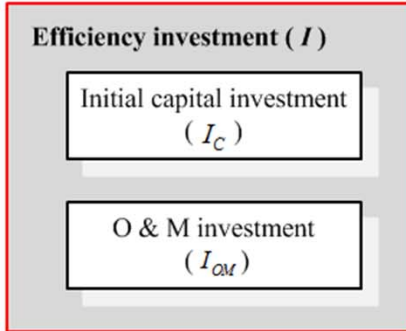
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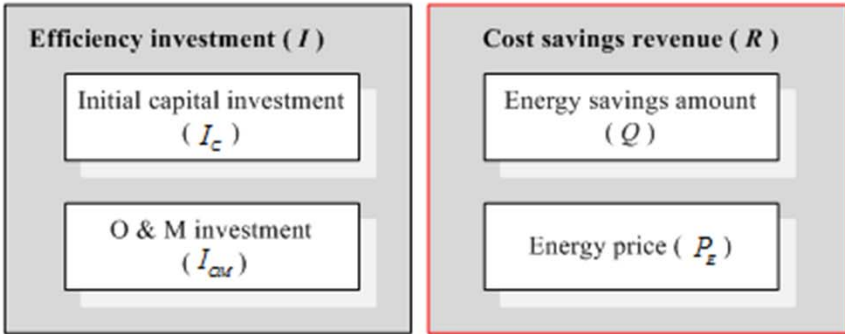
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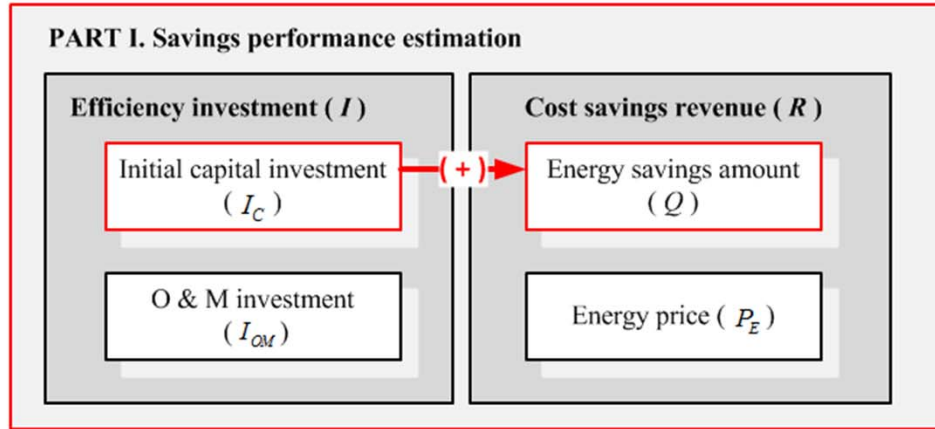
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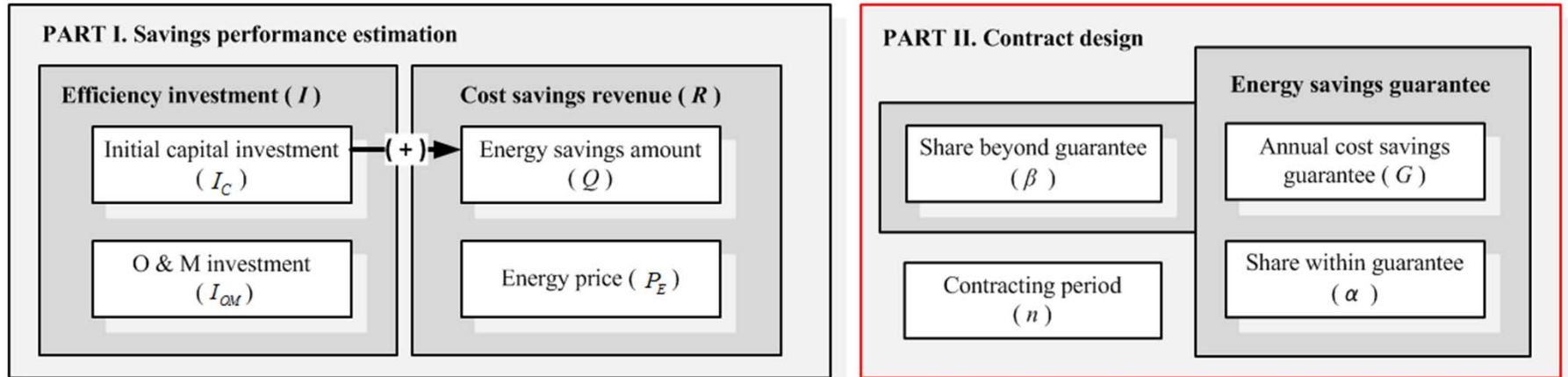
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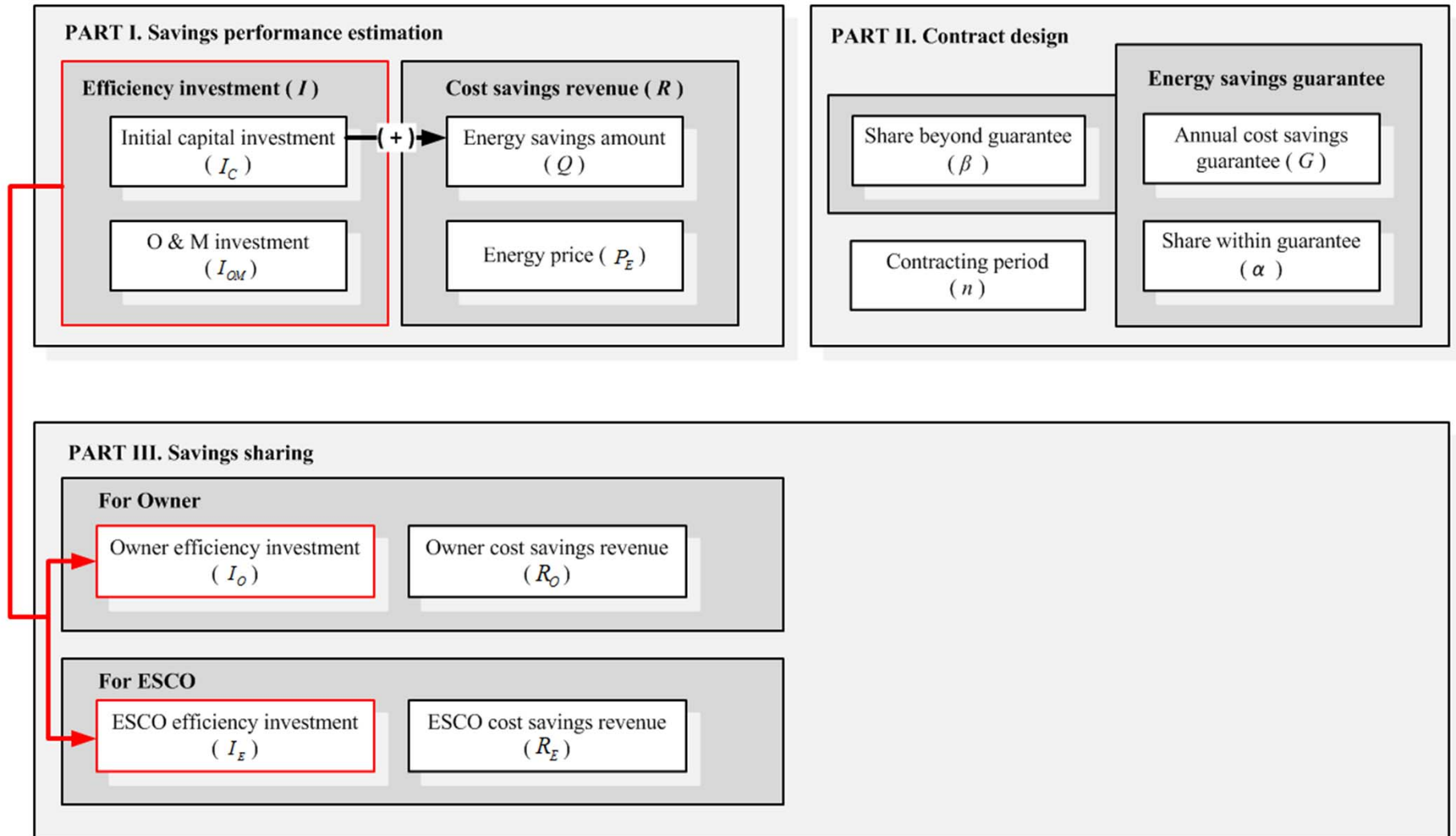
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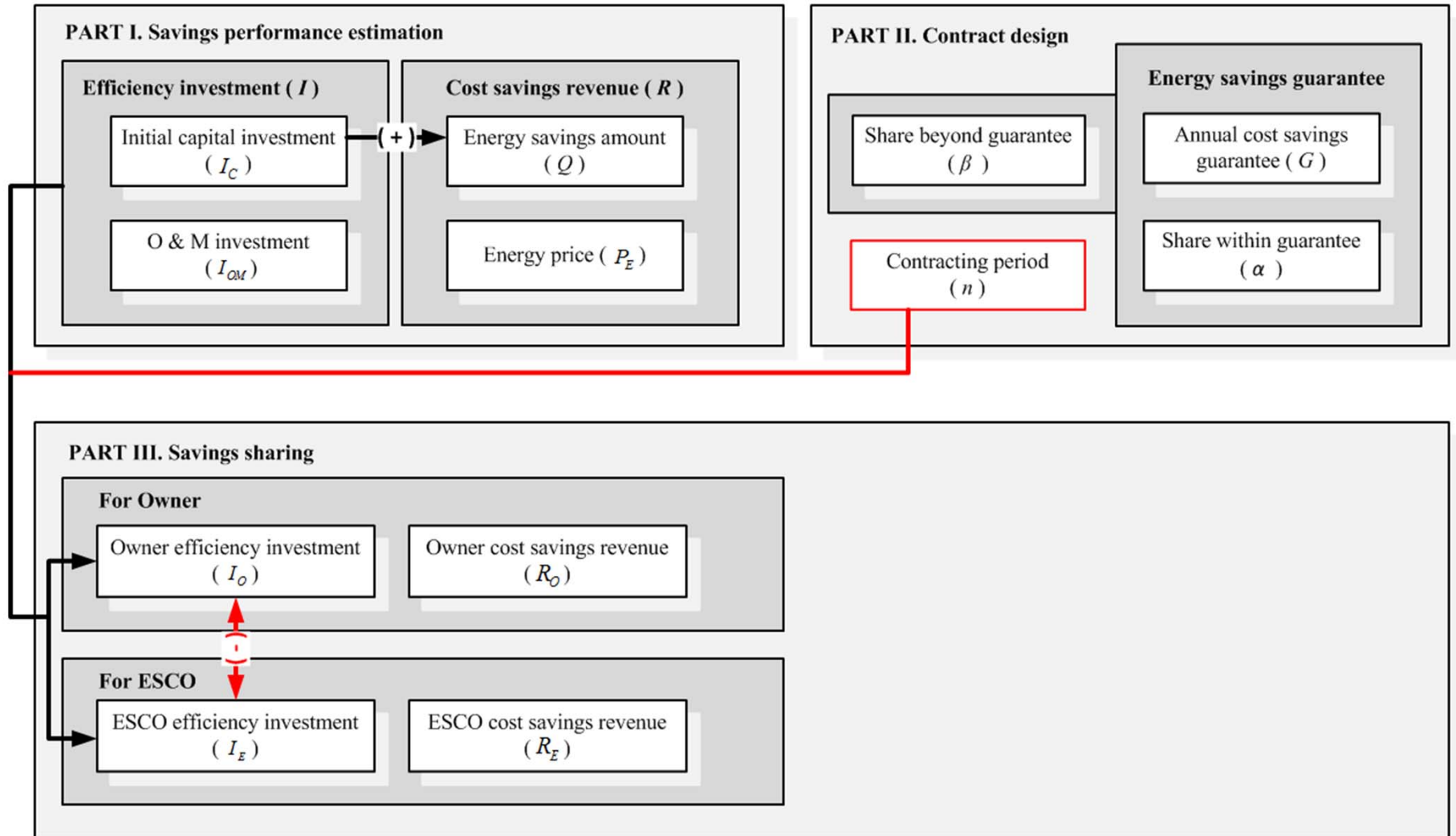
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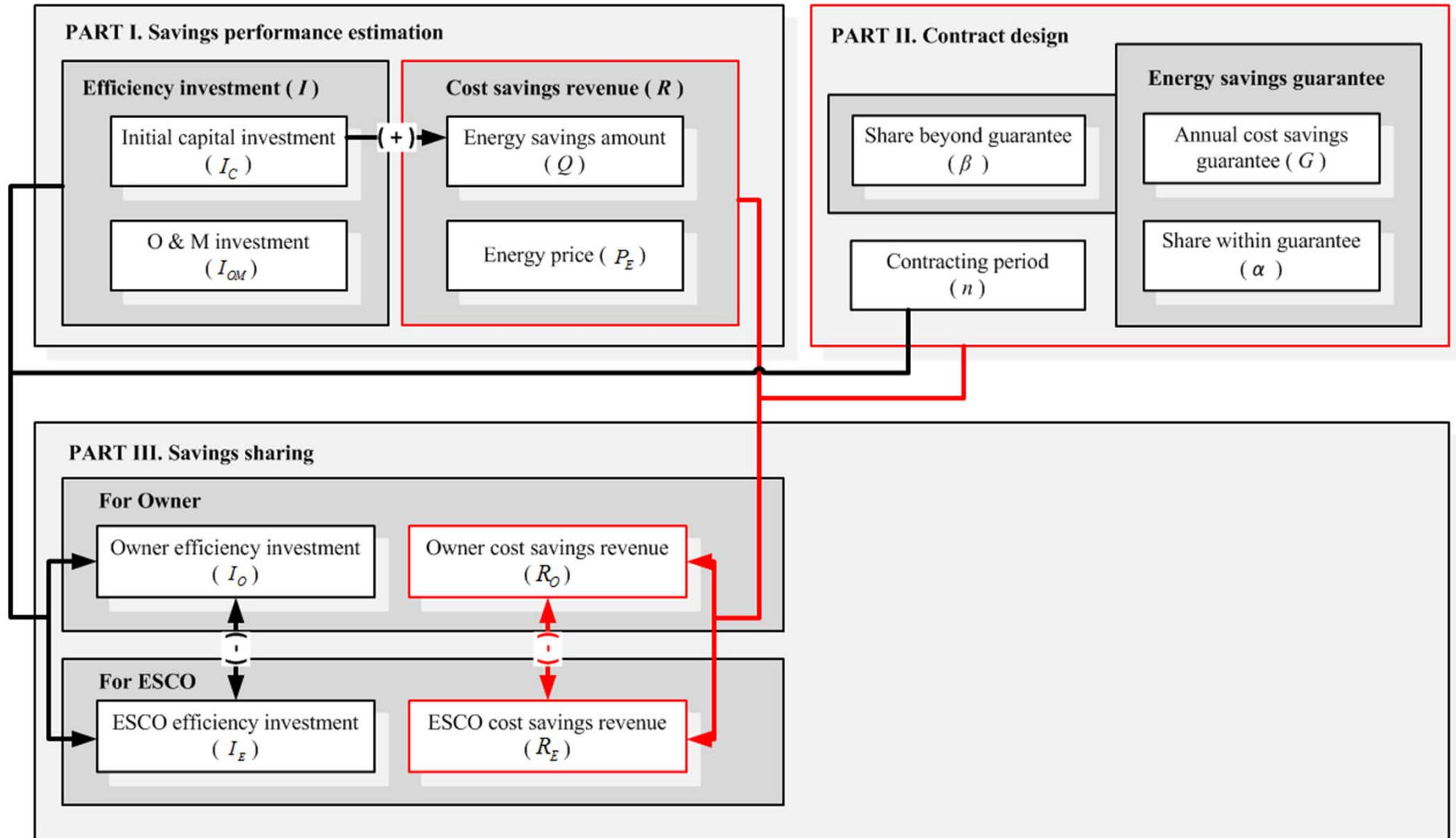
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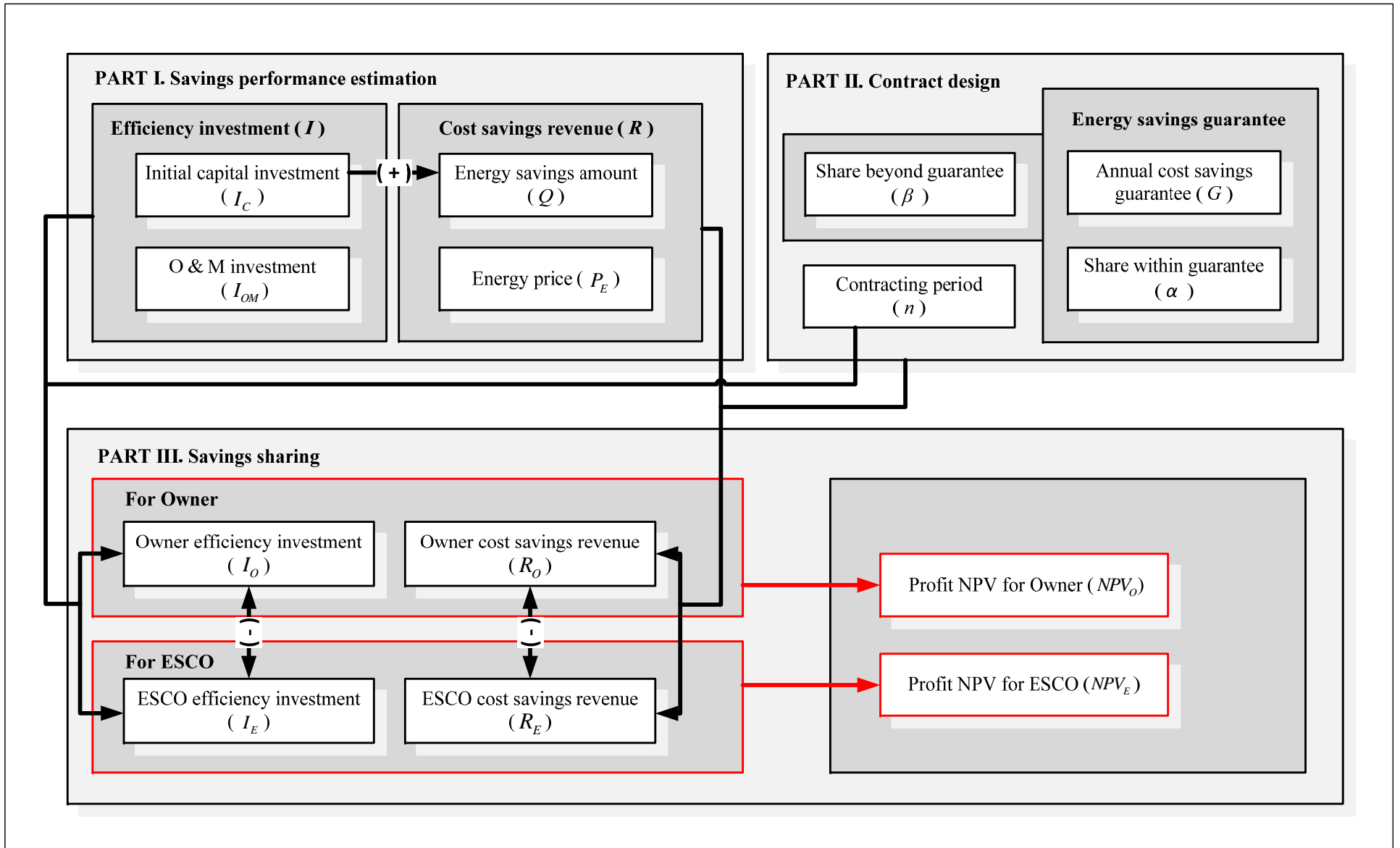
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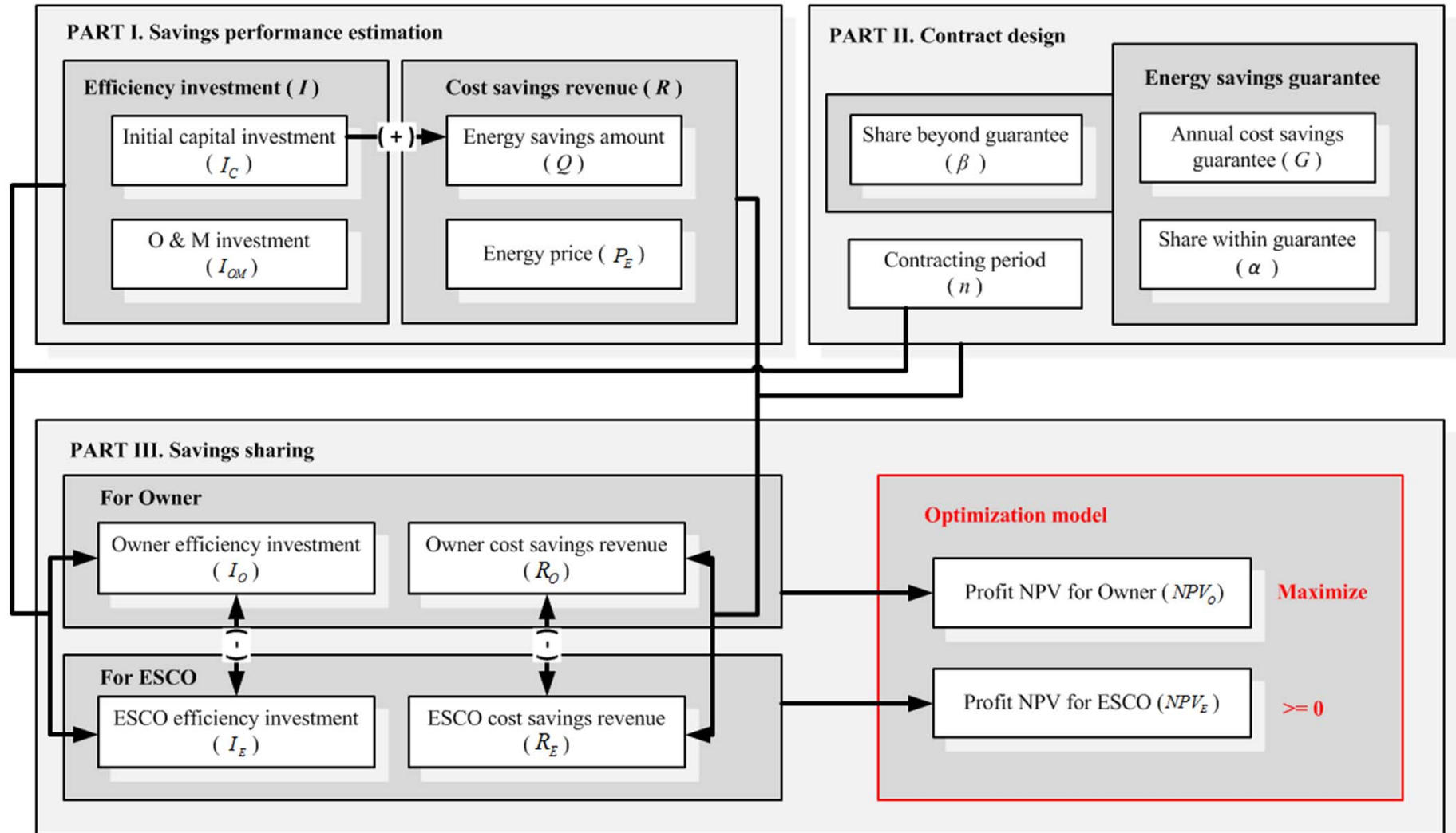
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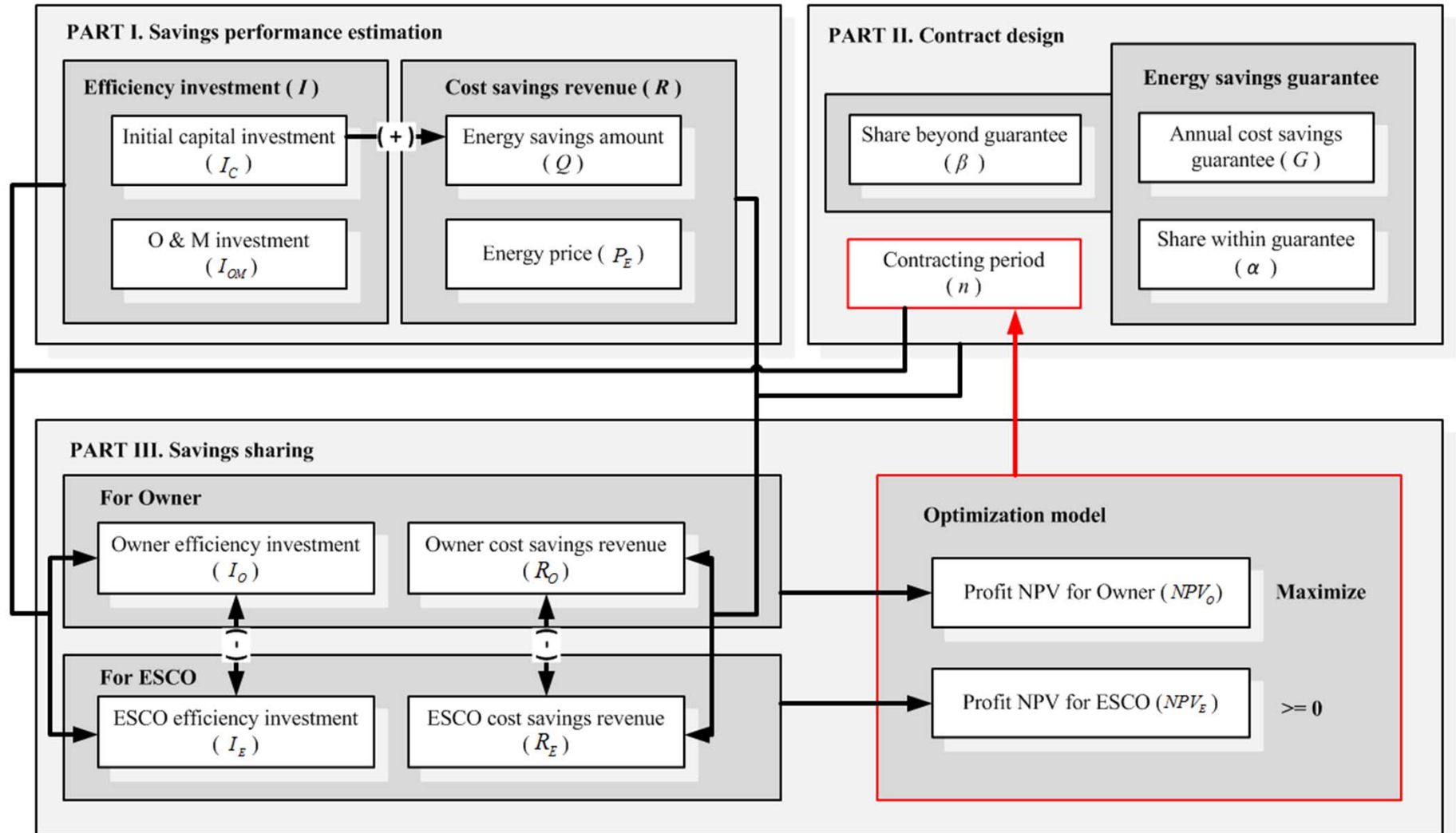
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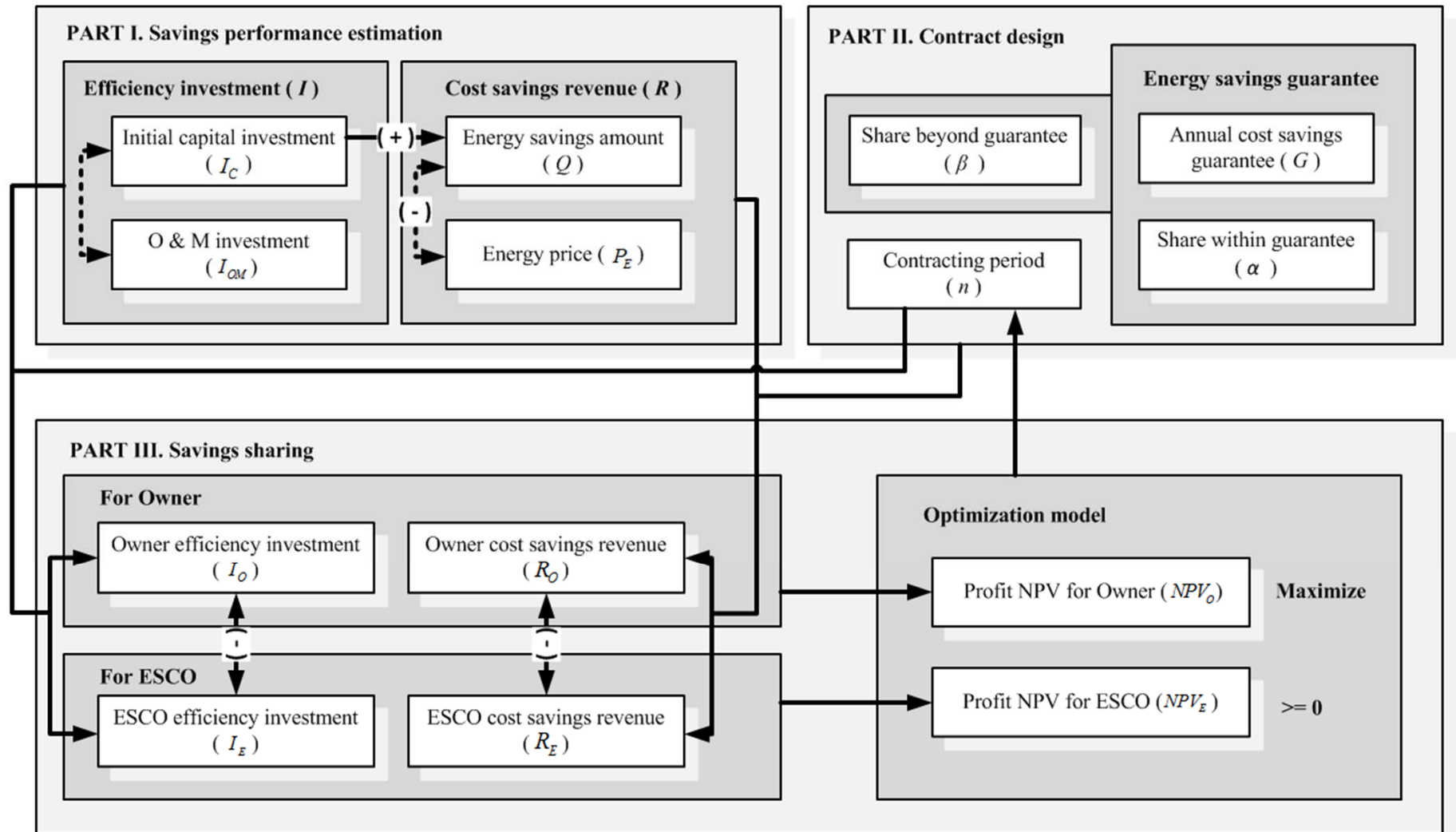
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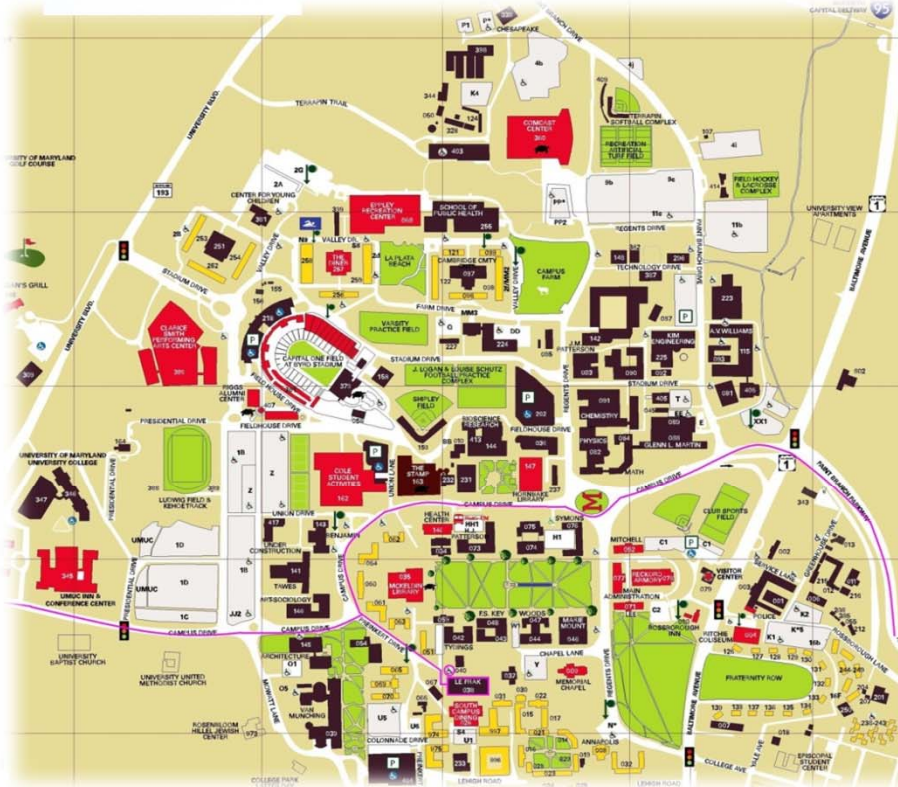
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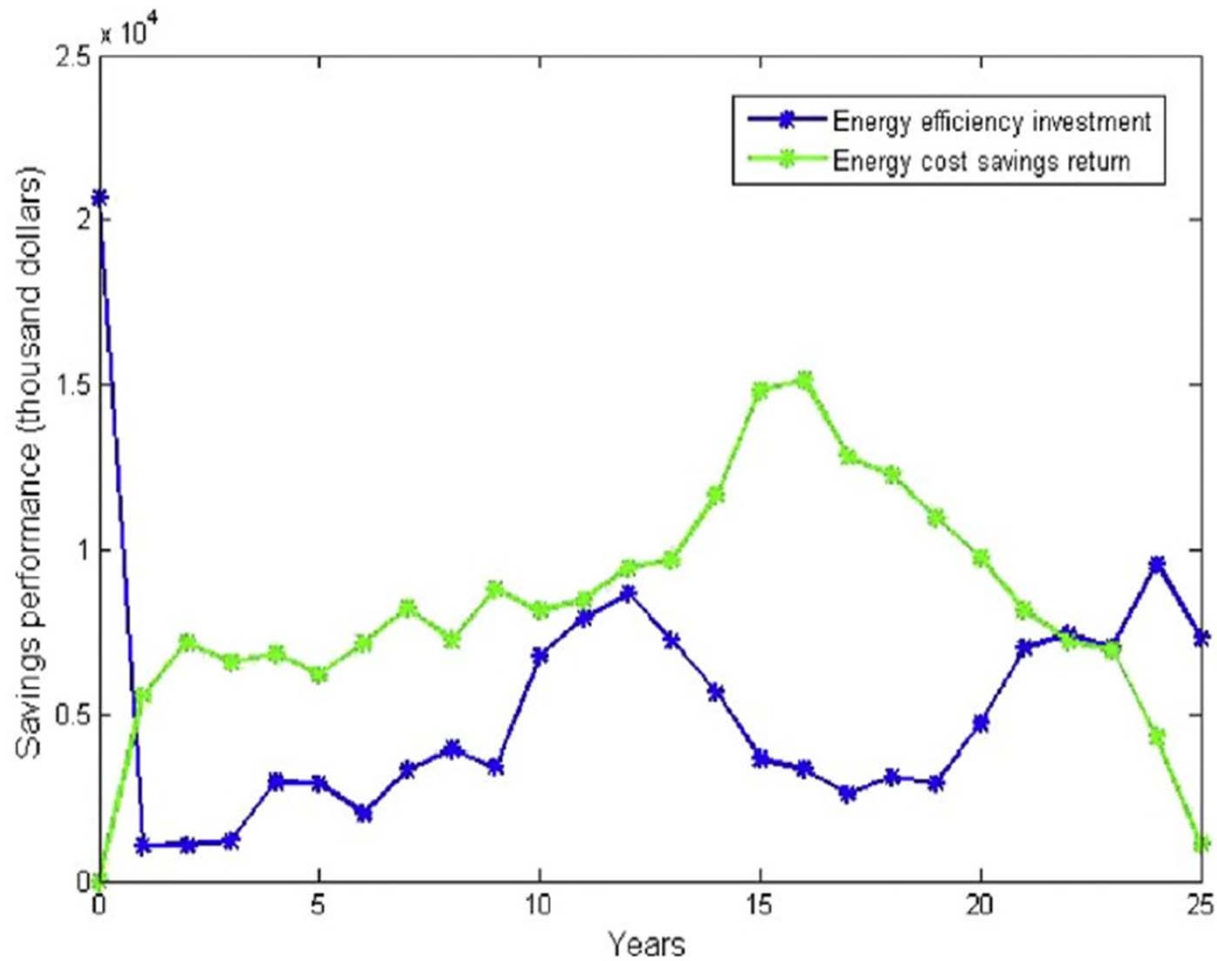
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Parameters	Symbols	Values
Economic lifetime of the energy efficiency system	N	25 years
Capital cost of the energy efficiency investment	I_C	\$20,668,991
Depreciation coefficient	δ	1.05
Initial value of the O&M cost coefficient	H_0	0.05
Volatility of the O&M cost coefficient	σ_H	0.25
Initial value of the energy savings amount coefficient	K_0	0.004
Volatility of the energy savings amount coefficient	σ_K	0.01
Initial value of the energy price	P_{E0}	\$26,025 per million Btu
Energy price drift effect	α_E	0.0523
Energy price volatility effect	σ_E	0.0856
Annual energy cost savings guarantee	G	\$3,000,000
Owners' expected revenue share within the guarantee	α	5%
ESCOs' expected revenue share within the guarantee	$1 - \alpha$	95%
Owners' excess revenue share beyond the guarantee	β	20%
ESCOs' excess revenue share beyond the guarantee	$1 - \beta$	80%
Owners' expected rate of return	r_O	8%
ESCOs' expected rate of return	r_E	15%

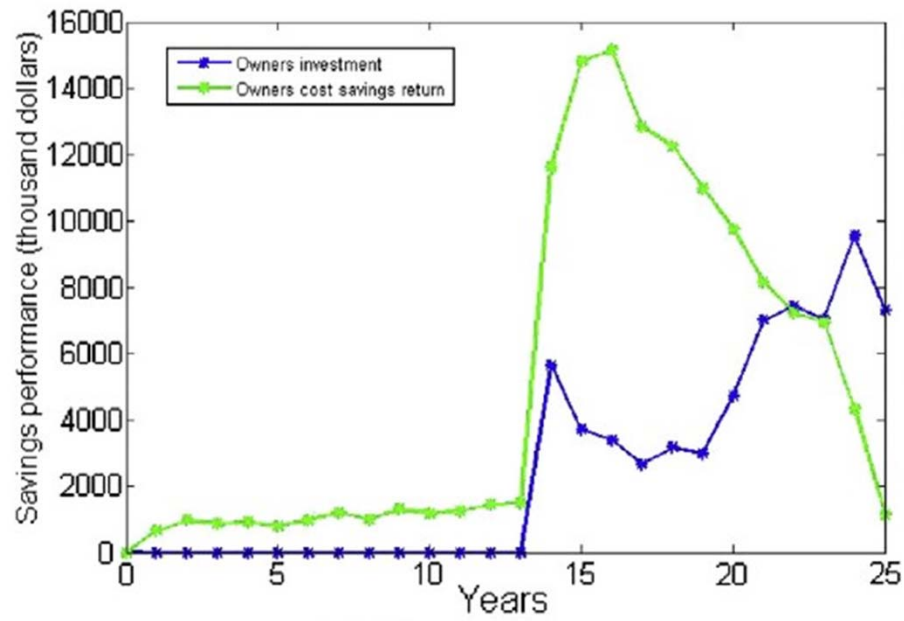
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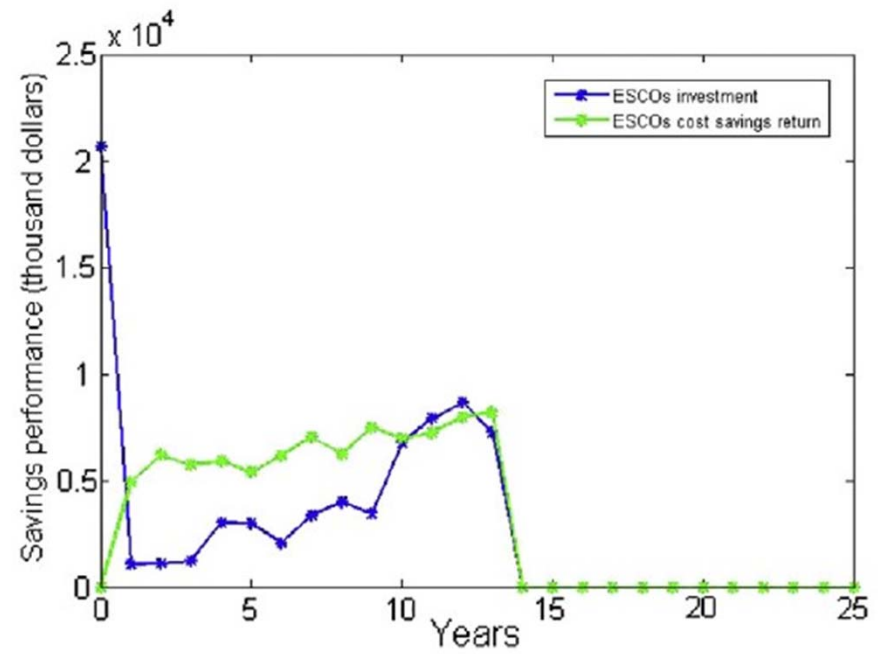
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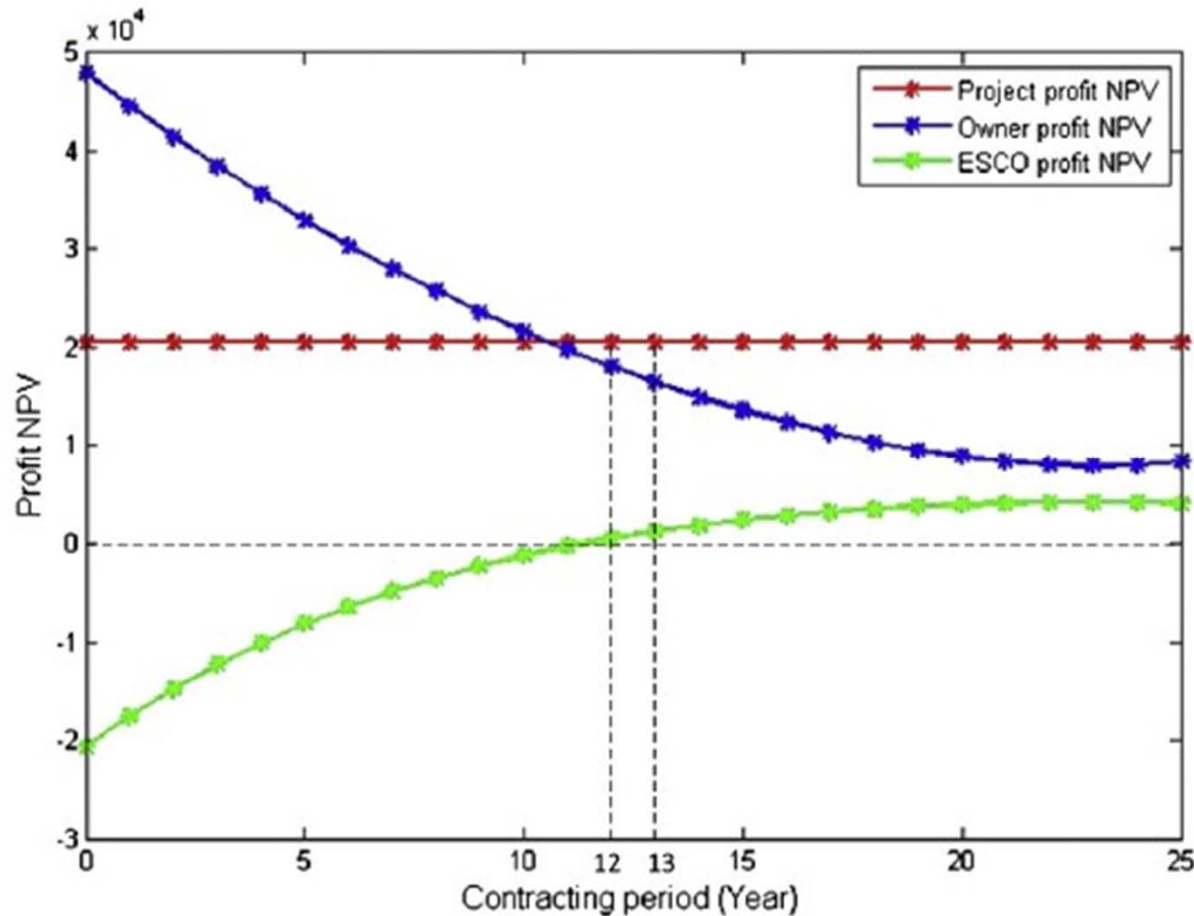
(a) For the owners



(b) For the ESCOs



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Relations between contracting period and NPV of profit

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Sensitivity Analysis

Parameter	Percentage change	Adjusted value	Balanced contract period	
Initial capital investment	I_c	-50%	10,334,496	10
		-20%	16,535,193	11
		0	20,668,991	12
		+20%	24,802,789	12
		+50%	31,003,487	13
Annual guaranteed savings	G	-20%	2,400,000	12
		-10%	2,700,000	12
		0	3,000,000	12
		+10%	3,300,000	11
		+20%	3,600,000	11

Sensitivity Analysis (continue)

Parameter	Adjusted value	Balanced contract period
α	1%	11
Owner's expected profit share within guarantee	3%	11
	5%	12
	7%	12
	9%	13
β	10%	10
Owner's expected profit share beyond guarantee	15%	11
	20%	12
	25%	13
	30%	14
r_O	4%	12
Owner's expected rate of return	6%	12
	8%	12
	10%	12
	12%	12
r_E	10%	8
ESCO's expected rate of return	12%	9
	15%	12
	18%	18
	20%	25

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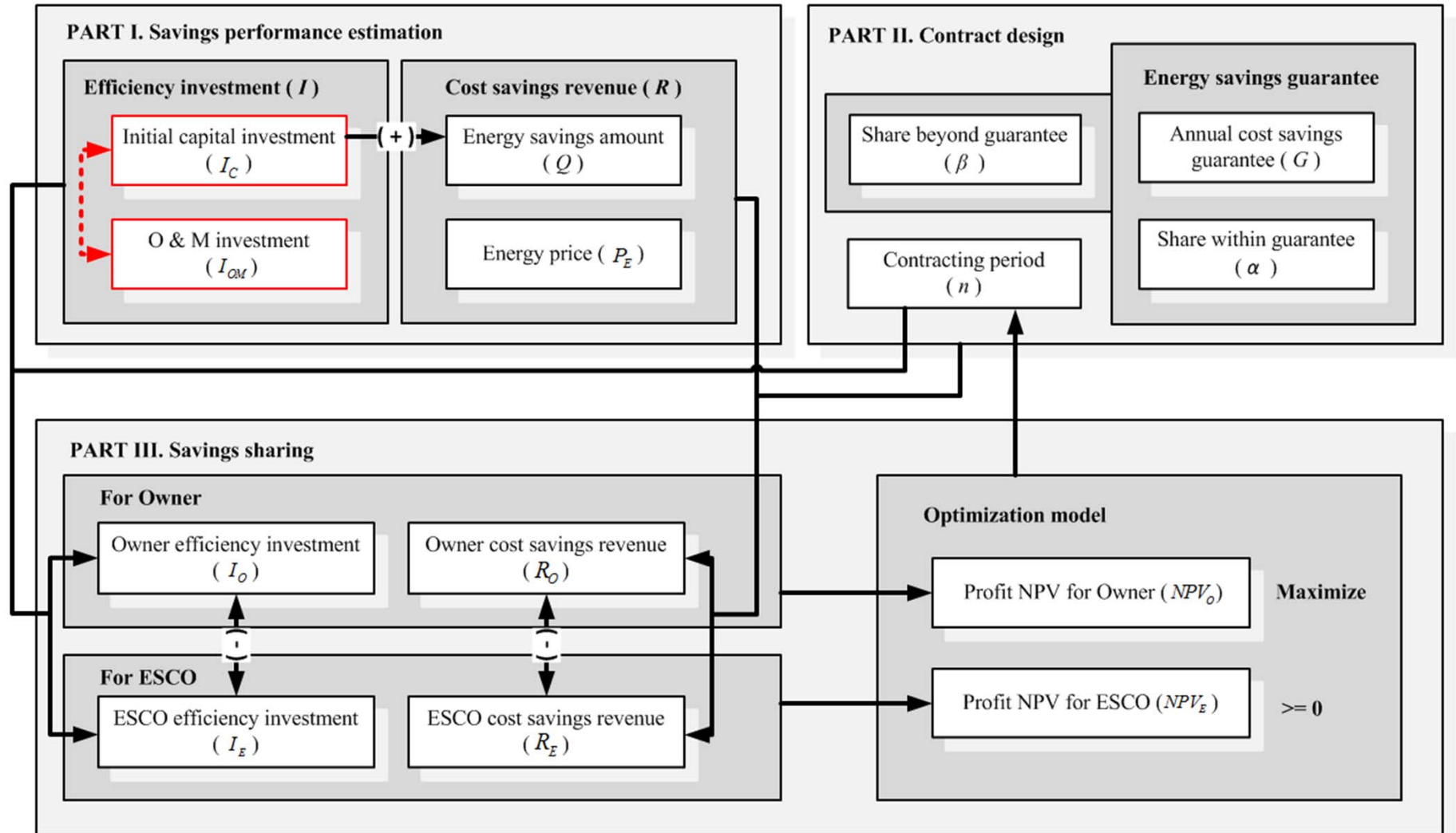
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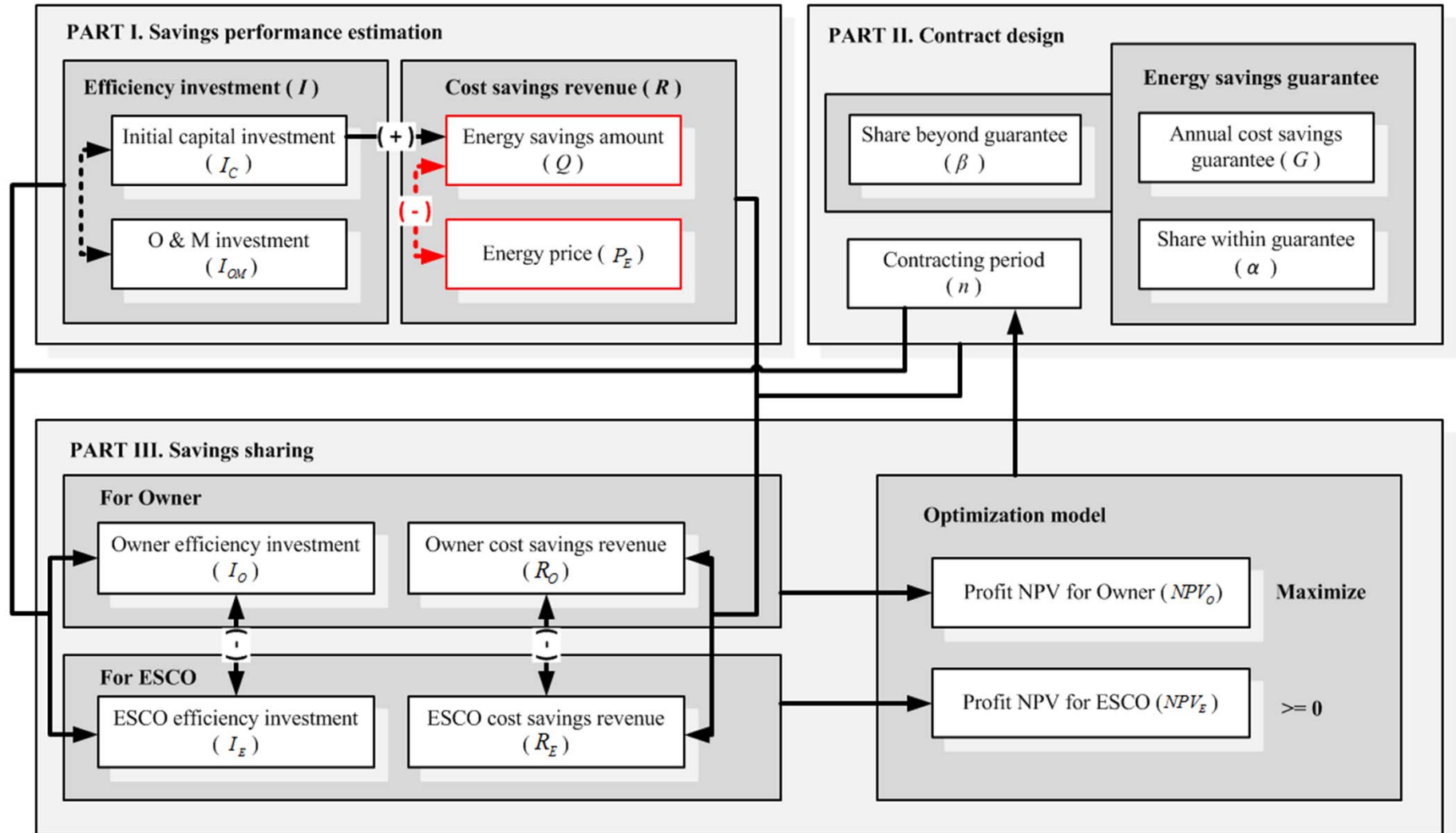
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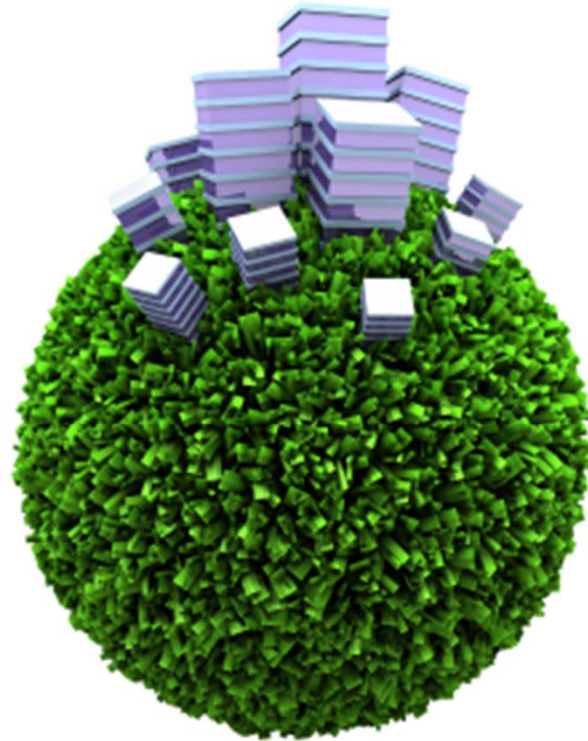
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