

# Electricity Generation Cost

1 Btu ~ 1.055 kJ

HeatRate := 10800 kJ/kWh

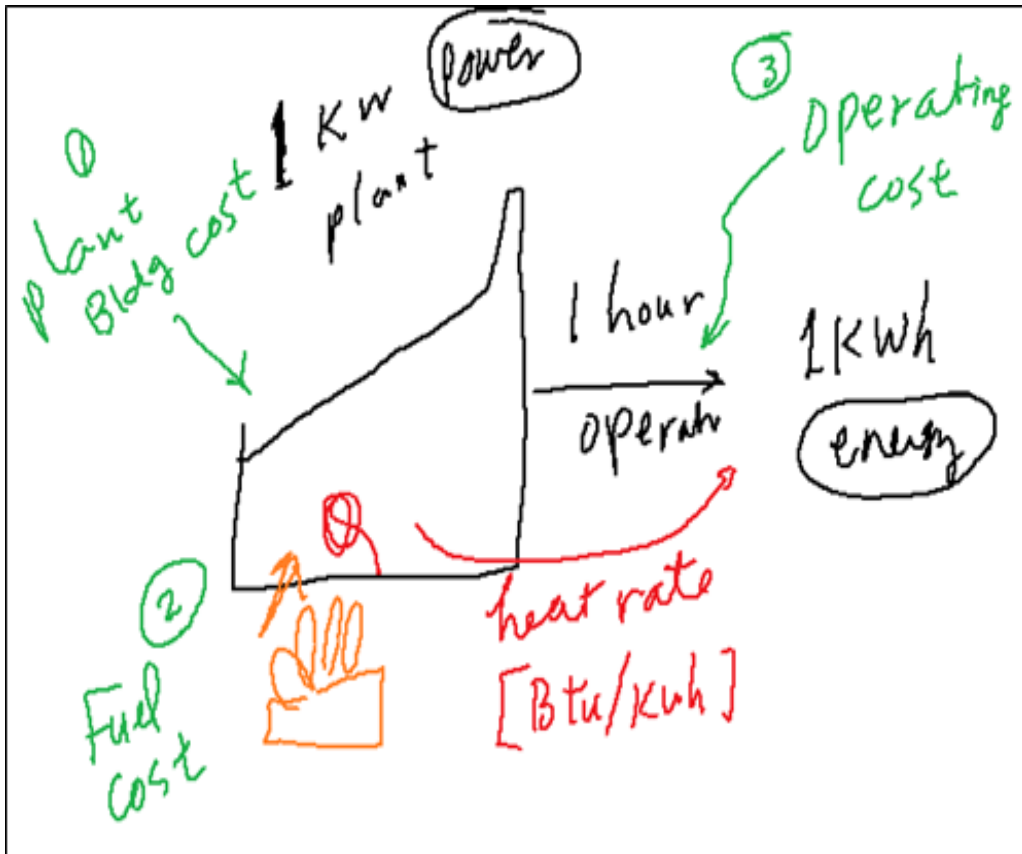
HV := 27300 kJ/kg

FuelRate :=  $\frac{\text{HeatRate}}{\text{HV}} = 0.395604$  kg / kWh

HeatRate :=  $\frac{\text{HeatRate}}{1.055} = 10236.966825$  Btu / kWh

HV :=  $\frac{\text{HV}}{1.055} = 25876.777251$  Btu / kWh

FuelRate :=  $\frac{\text{HeatRate}}{\text{HV}} = 0.395604$  kg / kWh



Technology	Fuel	Capital Cost (\$/kW)	Heat Rate (Btu/kWh)	Fuel Cost (\$/million Btu)	Variable O&M (¢/kWh)
Pulverized coal steam	Coal	1400	9,700	1.50	0.43

# Electricity Generation Cost Parameters

⌘ (1) Fixed cost: [\$ /kW]

☒ Annualized Fixed Cost (\$/kW-yr)

# Electricity Generation Cost Parameters

⌘ (2) Variable cost:  $[\$/\text{kWh}]$

⊠ Annualized variable cost  $[\$/\text{kW-yr}]$

## Annualized Cost → Electricity Cost

⌘ **Annualized fixed cost** (\$/kW-yr)

$$= \text{Capital Cost } (\$/\text{kW}) \times \text{FCR } (/ \text{year})$$

⌘ **Annualized variable cost** (\$/kW-yr)

$$= \{ \text{Material Cost } [ \$/\text{kWh} ] + \text{O\&M } [ \$/\text{kWh} ] \} \times \text{Operating Hours } [ \text{h/yr} ]$$

⌘ **Annualized Total Cost for N- kW plant**

$$= N[\text{kW}] \times \{ \text{Annualized fixed cost } [ \$/\text{kW-yr} ] + \text{annualized variable cost } [ \$/\text{kW-yr} ] \} \quad \text{\textcolor{red}{\$ / yr}}$$

⌘ **Total Yearly Generation from N-kW Plant [kWh]**

$$= N[\text{kW}] \times H [\text{hours/yr}] \quad \text{\textcolor{red}{kWh / yr}}$$

⌘ **Electricity Cost [\$/kWh]**

$$= \text{Total Cost } [ \$/\text{yr} ] / \text{Total Generation } [ \text{kWh/yr} ] \quad \text{\textcolor{red}{\$ / kWh}}$$

# Electricity Energy Cost - Example

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Pulverized coal steam	Coal	1400	9,700	1.50	0.43
Advanced coal steam	Coal	1600	8,800	1.50	0.43

$N := 1$  1 kW-power plant

$\text{fuel\_cost} := 1.50 \cdot 10^{-6}$

$\text{heat\_rate} := 9700$

$\text{material\_cost} := \text{fuel\_cost} \cdot \text{heat\_rate} = 0.01455$  \$/kWh

$\text{fcr} := 0.16$

$H := 8000$  8000 hours operations from max 8760 hours per year

$\text{capital} := 1400$   $\text{OM} := 0.0043$

⌘ **Annualized fixed cost (\$/kW-yr)**  
 = Capital Cost (\$/kW) x FCR(/year)

$$afc := capital \cdot fcr = 224$$

⌘ **Annualized variable cost (\$/kW-yr)**  
 = {Material Cost [\$ /kWh] + O&M (\$/kWh)} x Operating Hours [h/yr]

$$avc := (material\_cost + OM) \cdot H = 150.8$$

⌘ **Annualized Total Cost for N- kW plant**  
 = N[kW]\*{Annualized fixed cost [\$ /kW-yr] + annualized variable cost [\$ /kW-yr]} **[\$ /yr]**

$$atc := N \cdot (afc + avc) = 374.8$$

⌘ **Total Yearly Generation from N-kW Plant [kWh]**  
 = N[kW]\*H [hours/yr] **[kWh/yr]**

$$aee := N \cdot H = 8000$$

⌘ **Electricity Cost [\$ /kWh]**  
 = Total Cost [\$ /yr] / Total Generation [kWh/yr] **[\$ /kWh]**

$$EC := \frac{atc}{aee} = 0.04685 \quad \$ / kWh$$

$$EC \cdot 100 = 4.685 \quad c / kWh$$

# Investigation of the Example Costs (1)

## ⌘ Recall

### ⌘ Annualized fixed cost [\$/kW-yr]

$$= \text{Capital Cost [$/kW]} \times \text{FCR [1/yr]}$$

$$= 224 \text{ [$/kW-yr]}$$

### ⌘ Annualized variable cost (\$/kW-yr)

$$= \{ \text{Material Cost [$/kWh]} + \text{O\&M [$/kWh]} \} \times \text{Operating Hours [h/yr]}$$

$$= 150.8 \text{ [$/kW-yr]}$$

$$avc = 150.8 \quad \$/\text{ kW} - \text{ yr}$$

$$avcHour := \frac{avc}{8000} = 0.01885 \quad \$ / \text{ kWh}$$

### ⌘ Electricity Cost [\$/kWh]

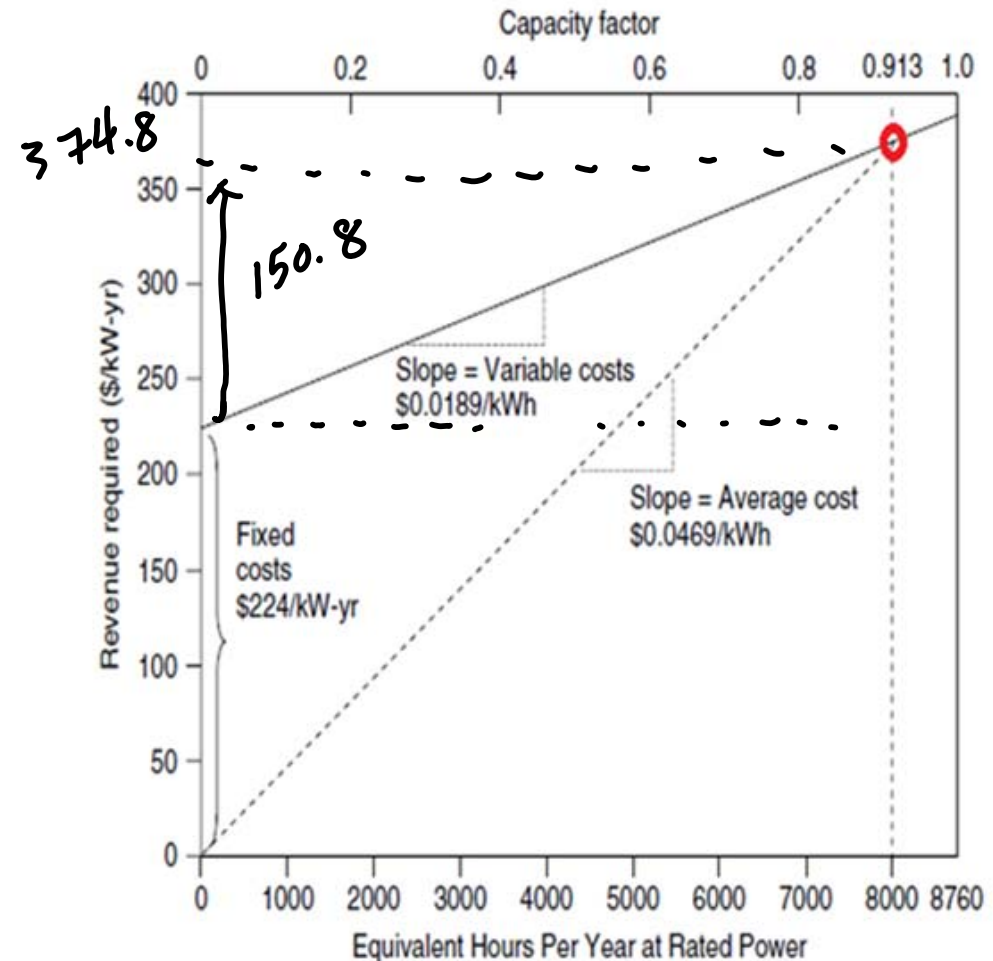
$$= 0.04685 \text{ [$/kWh]}$$

### ⌘ Operating hours = 8000

$$CF := \frac{H}{8760} = 0.913242$$

### ⌘ Capacitor Factor (CF):

"percentage usage of capacity"



## Plant Operation and CF( Capacity Factor)

⌘ **Total Yearly Generation from N-kW Plant [kWh]**

$$= N[\text{kW}] * H [\text{hours/yr}] \quad [\text{kWh/yr}]$$

$$aee := N \cdot H = 8000$$

⌘ **Alternative formula for Total Yearly Generation [kWh/yr]**

$$= N [\text{kW}] \times 8760 \text{ h/yr} \times \text{CF (Capacity Factor)}$$

$$gy := N \cdot 8760 \cdot CF = 8000$$

$$N = 1$$

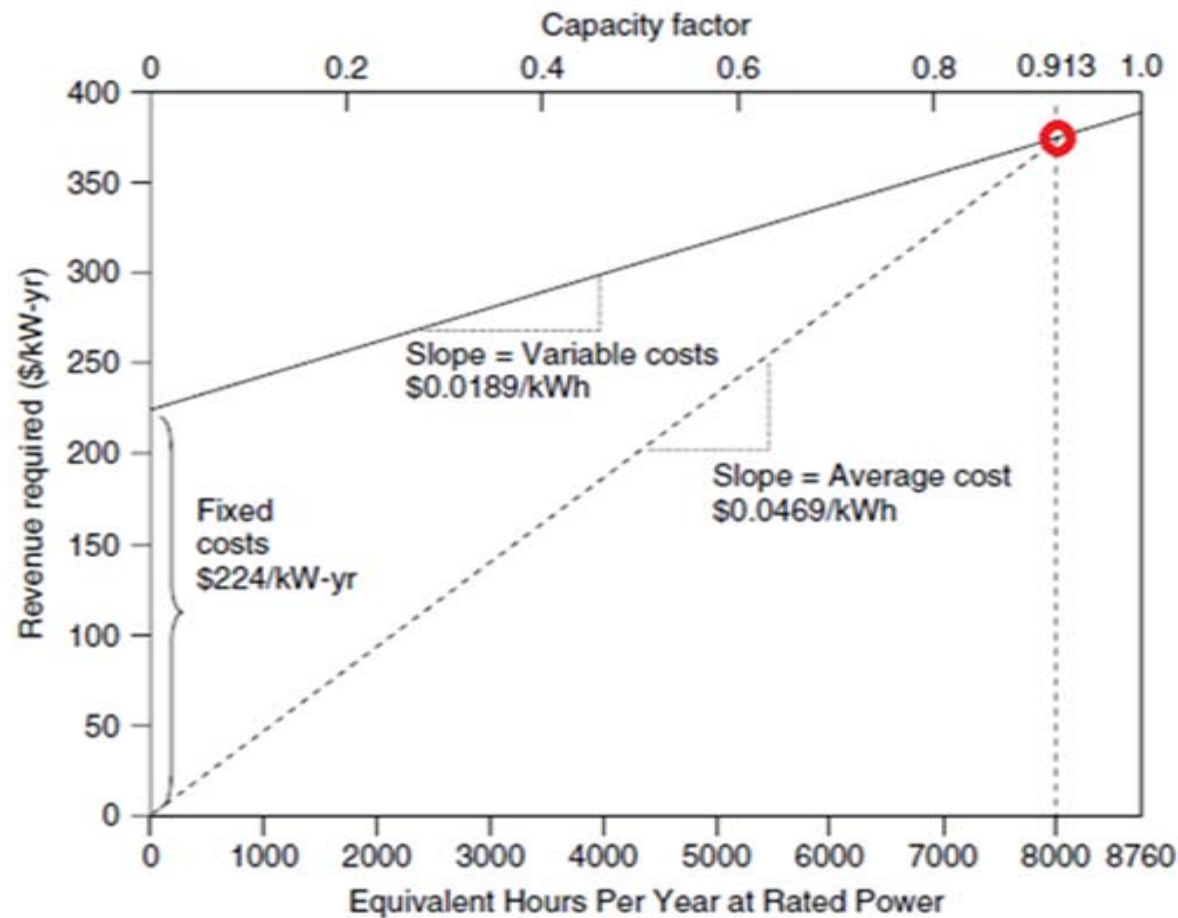
$$CF = \frac{\text{operating hours/year}}{8760 \text{ hours/year}}$$

$$CF = \left( \frac{8000}{8760} \right) = 0.913$$



# Investigation of the Example Costs (2)

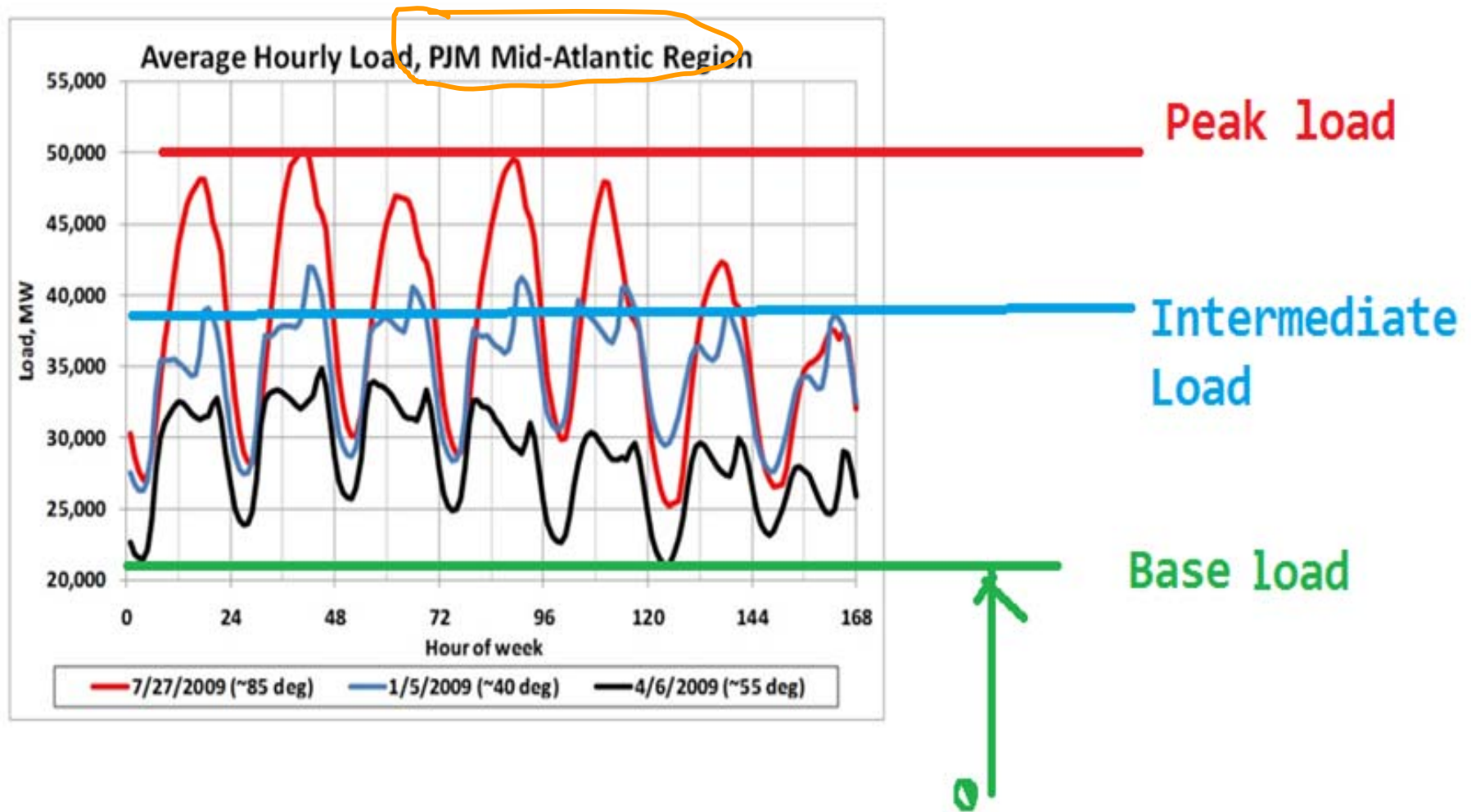
Different cost curves for different type of fuel



# Generation Mix and Economic Dispatch

## ⌘ Different fuels are used for power generation

- ⏏ Cost of fuel
- ⏏ Operating cost
- ⏏ Response time to the changing load



# Generation Mix and Economic Dispatch

⌘ Dispatch:

⌘ Economic dispatch

⌘ Coal

⌘ Gas

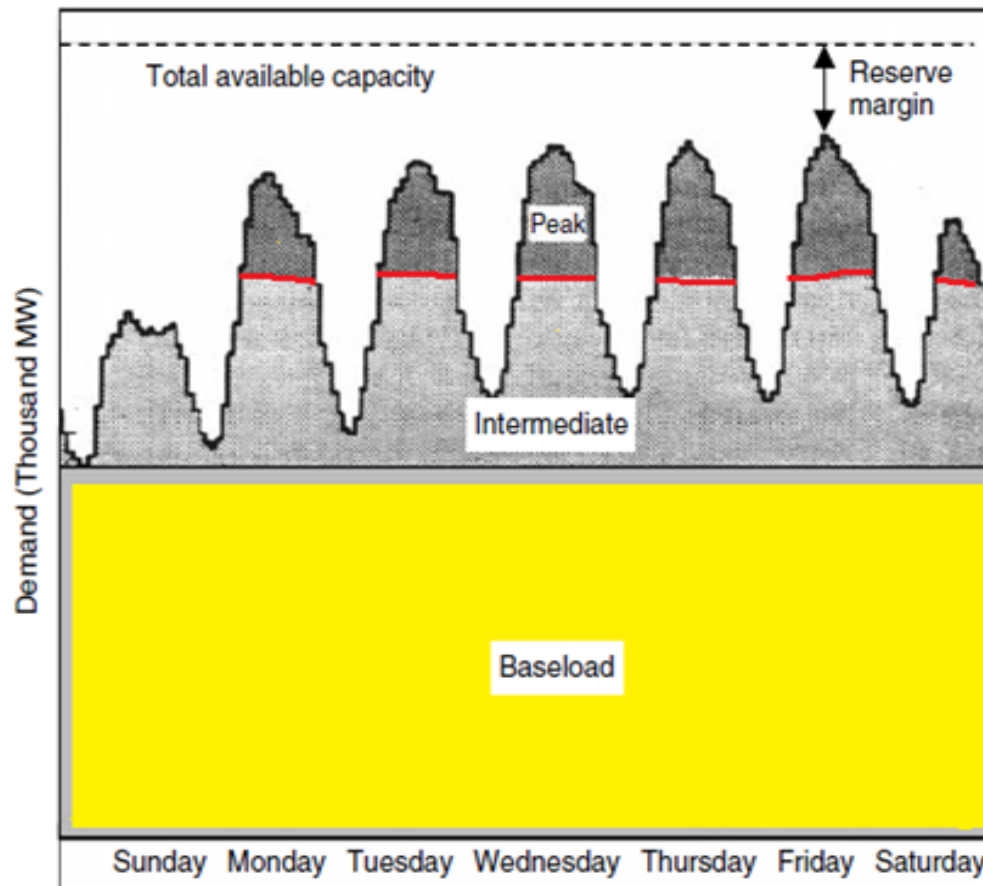
Nuclear

⌘ Renewables

⌘ Hydro



# Roles of Different Power Plants

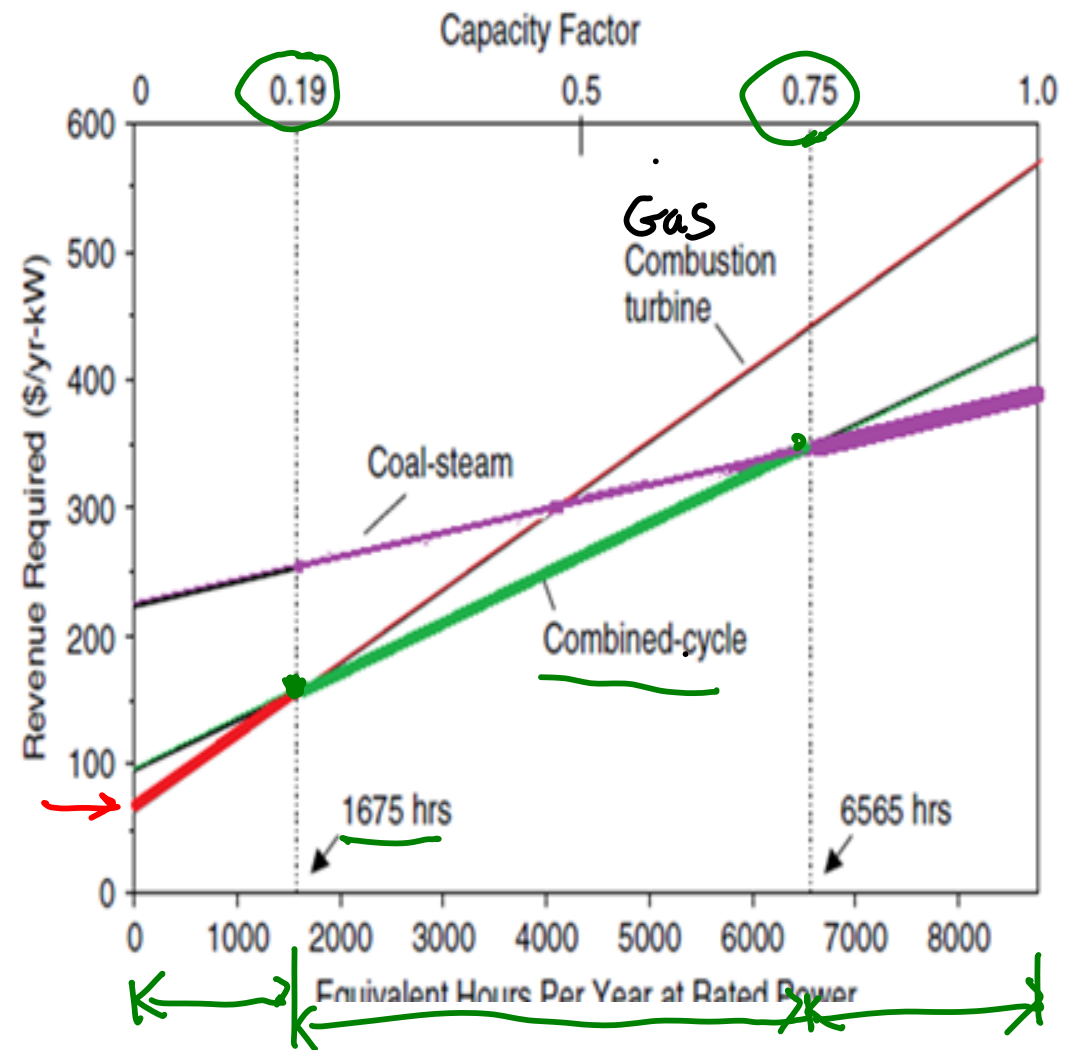


⌘ Baseload plants:

⌘ Intermediate load plants

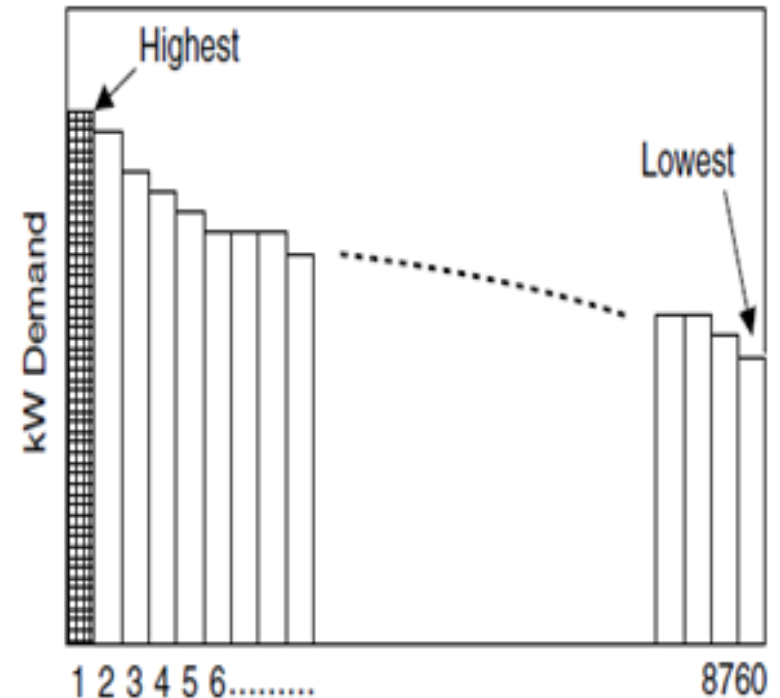
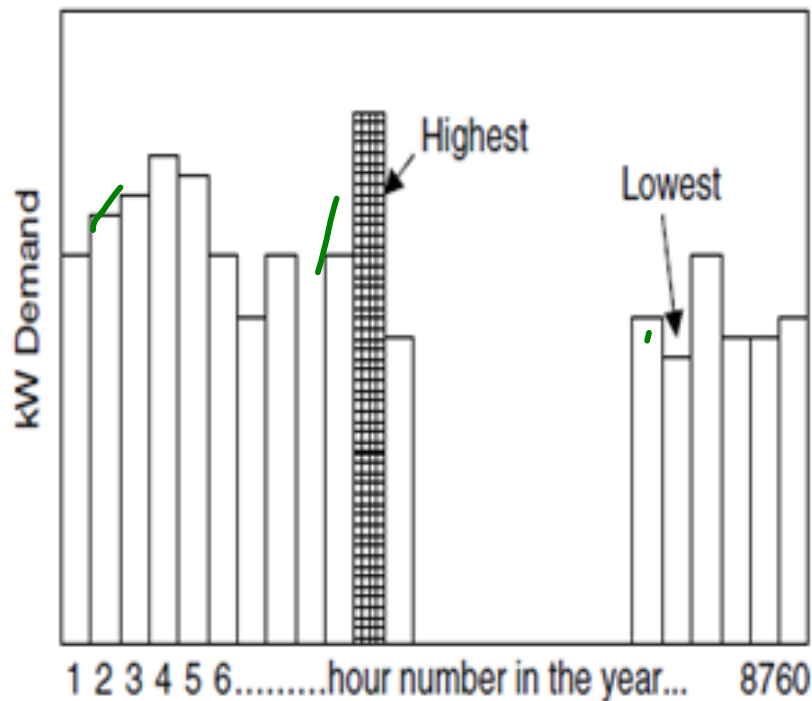
⌘ Peak load plants

# Screening Curves



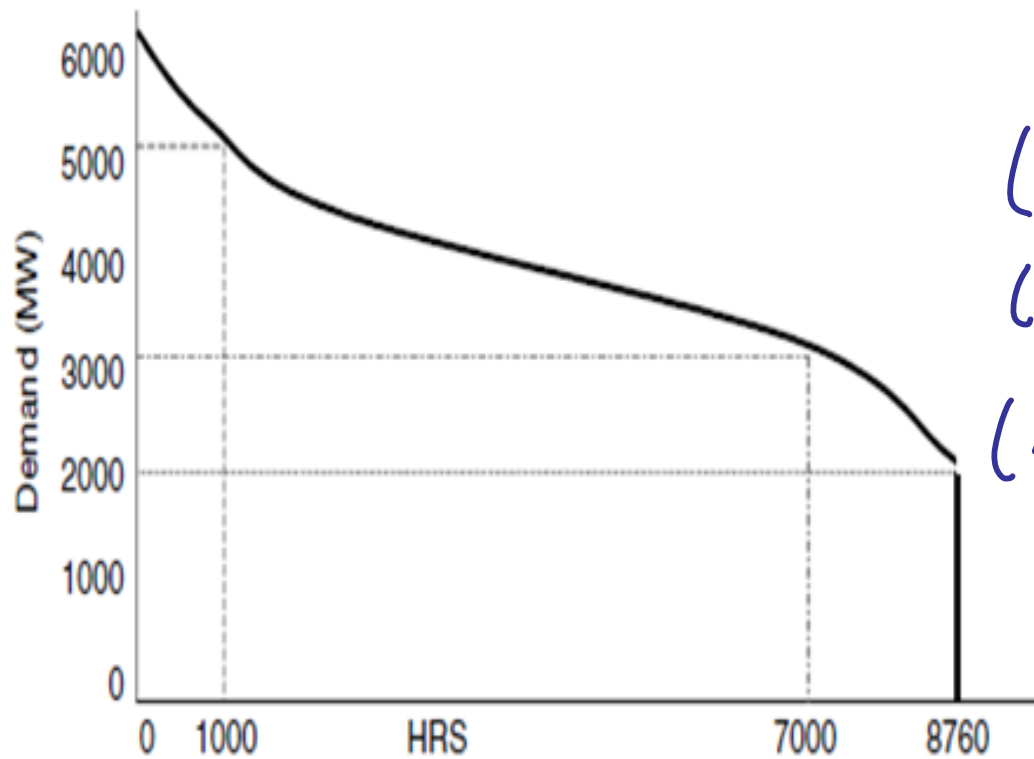
## Load-Duration Curves

① Hourly Load Curve  $\longrightarrow$  ② Load Duration Curve



⌘ We plan to connect the screening curve of power plant and the load duration curve for (a) capacity of different power plants and (b) allocation of power plants for economic dispatch

# Load Duration Curve



## Interpretation

- (1) Load is between ( ) and ( ) <sup>MW</sup>
- (2) Load > 5000 MW for ( ) hours
- (3) Load > 3000 MW for ( ) hours
- 3000 < Load < 5000 for ( ) hours



## Optimum Mix through Screening Curve and Load-Duration Curve

- ⌘ Determination of on **optimum mix** of power plants
- ⌘ Crossover Points for the first Cut Estimate of Generation Mix

