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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Synapse Energy Economics Inc., Cambridge, MA. *Senior Associate*, April 2023 – Present; *Associate*, June 2021 – April 2023; *Research Associate*, August 2019 – June 2021.

- Conducts research and provides consulting on energy sector issues.
- Conducts analysis to evaluate energy efficiency programs and policies.
- Produces Python-based data visualization tools.
- Develops Excel-based spreadsheet models to conduct cash flow analyses and utility performance metrics assessments.
- Performs analysis using capacity expansion and dispatch models to support a wide array of projects.
- Writes expert testimony and reports related to power plant economics and utility Integrated Resource Planning.
- Co-developer of Synapse's Building Decarbonization Calculator (BDC), a stock flow model to calculate the emissions and load impacts of heat pump adoption.

Tufts Department of Mechanical Engineering, Medford, MA. *Energy Research Fellow*, September 2018 - July 2019

- Utilized the SWITCH capacity expansion model to create optimized power systems projections.
- Incorporated national rooftop PV potential data from Google Project Sunroof into an energy model database.
- Modeled the electric sector to quantify the effects of installing residential solar at optimized rooftop orientations.
- Developed Python code to manipulate data and create data visualizations.

Integral Group, Oakland, CA. *Intern*, June 2018 – August 2018

- Collaborated with coworkers to design sustainable HVAC systems for Net-Zero Energy and LEED-certified buildings and performed engineering calculations to support building designs.
- Utilized EnergyPlus and OpenStudio to create energy models and provided recommendations for implementing energy efficiency measures.
- Modeled HVAC systems using Revit.

EDUCATION

Tufts University, Medford, MA

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2019.

SKILLS

Computer Software: EnCompass, Excel, Python, R, C++, MATLAB

PUBLICATIONS

Biewald, B., D. Glick, S. Kwok, K. Takahashi, J. Carvallo, L. Schwartz. 2024. *Best Practices in Integrated Resource Planning: A guide for planners developing the electricity resource mix of the future*. Synapse Energy Economics and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory for The Energy Foundation.

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Takahashi, K., S. Kwok, J. Taberner, F. Frost. 2022. *Toward Net Zero Emissions from Oregon Buildings*. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

Malone, E., D. Goldberg, S. Kwok, T. Woolf. 2022. *The Cape Light Compact's Low-Income Energy Efficiency Programs: Challenges and Opportunities*. Synapse Energy Economics for The Cape Light Compact.

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Hopkins A. S., P. Eash-Gates, J. Frost, S. Kwok, J. Litynski, K. Takahashi. "Decarbonization of Buildings." In *San Diego Regional Decarbonization Framework*, edited by SDG Policy Initiative, School of Global Policy and Strategy, University of California San Diego. March 2022.

Glick, D., S. Kwok. 2021 *Review of Southwestern Public Service Company's 2021 IRP and Tolk Analysis*. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

Frost, J. S. Kwok, K. Takahashi, A.S. Hopkins, A. Napoleon. 2021. *New York Heat Pump Trajectory Analysis*. Synapse Energy Economics for NRDC.

Eash-Gates, P., D. Glick, S. Kwok, J. Taberner, R. Wilson. 2021. *A Clean Energy Future for Tampa*. Synapse Energy Economics for Sierra Club.

Takahashi, K., T. Woolf, B. Havumaki, D. White, D. Goldberg, S. Kwok, A. Takasugi. 2021. *Missed Opportunities: The Impacts of Recent Policies on Energy Efficiency Programs in Midwestern States*. Synapse Energy Economics for the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance.

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Allison, A., S. Kwok. 2020. *Comments on PacifiCorp's 2019 Integrated Resource Plan*. Synapse Energy Economics for the Sierra Club.

White, D., K. Takahashi, M. Whited, S. Kwok, D. Bhandari. 2019. *Memphis and Tennessee Valley Authority: Risk Analysis of Future TVA Rates for Memphis*. Synapse Energy Economics for Friends of the Earth.

TESTIMONY

State Corporation Commission of Virginia (Case No. PUR-2022-00001): Direct Testimony of Shelley Kwok regarding Appalachian Power Company's petition for approval of an environmental rate adjustment clause for capital investments and operations and maintenance expenses to comply with the federal Effluent Limitation Guidelines regulations in lieu of retirement of the Amos and Mountaineer coal plants. On behalf of Sierra Club. July 29, 2022.

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