

BUILDING ENERGY SIMULATIONS

Using ClimateStudio

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Introduction

Importance

Building Integrated Systems

Building Integrated Photovoltaics (BIPVs)

Challenges of implementing BIPV systems

What is ClimateStudio

Practice

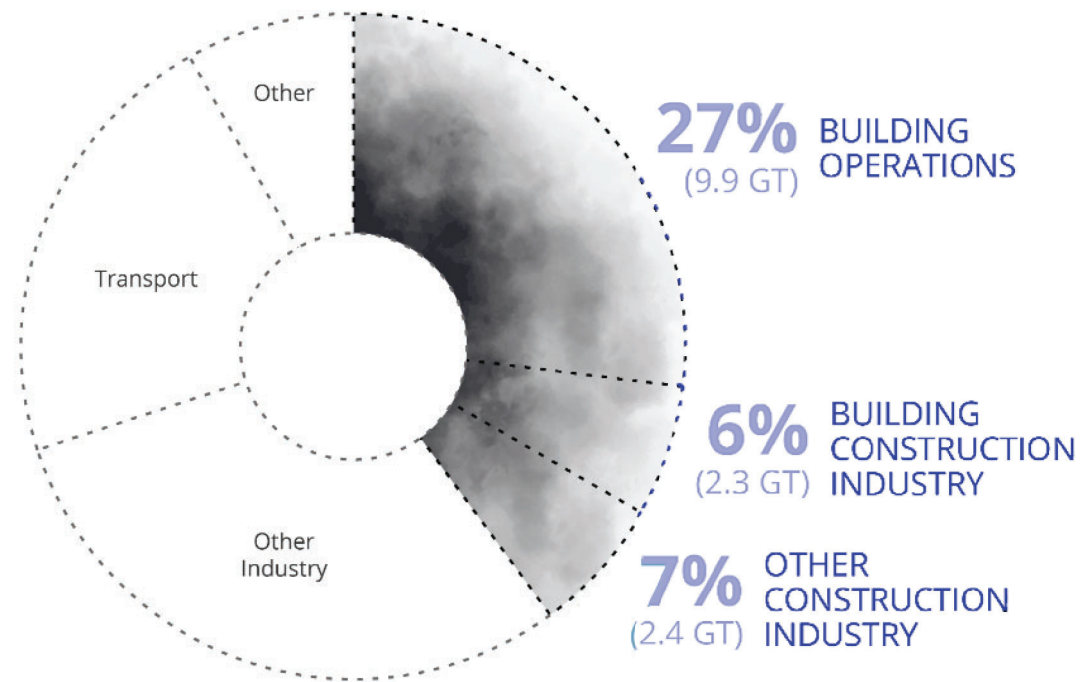
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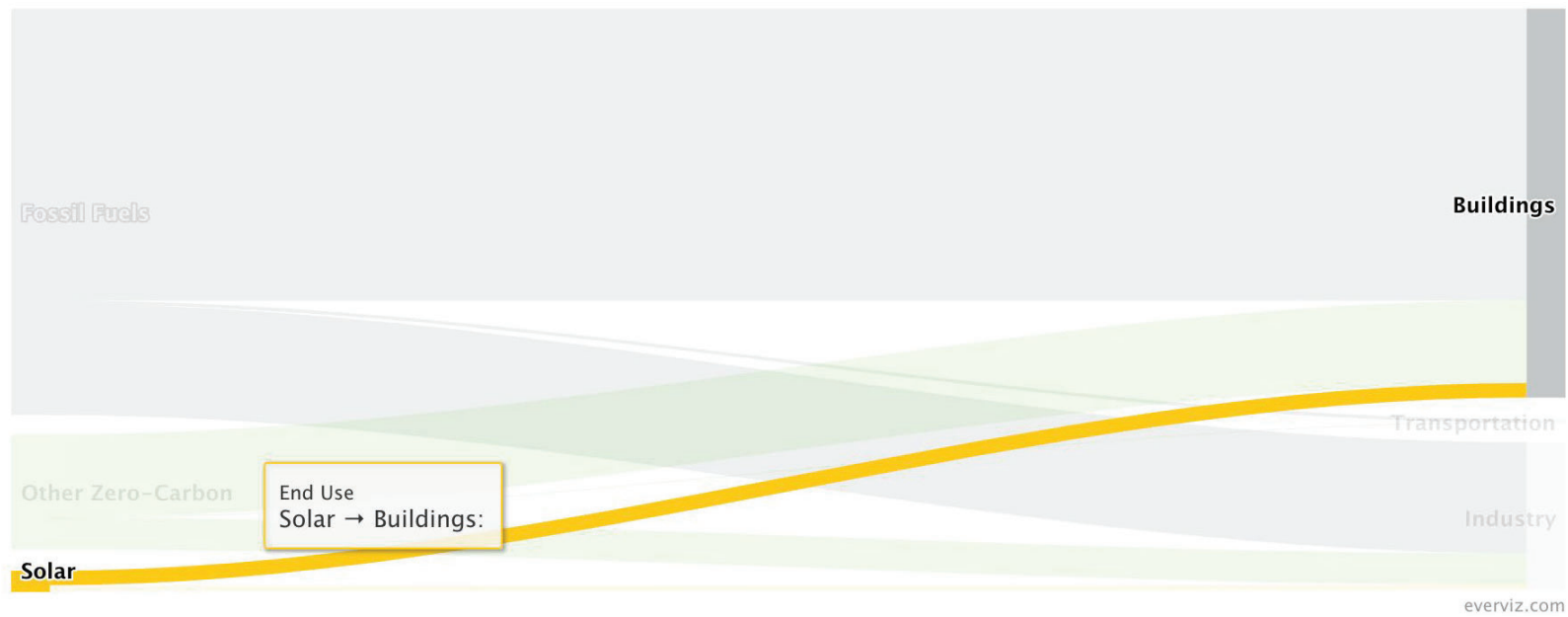
Annual Global CO₂ Emissions



The built environment generates **40%** of annual global CO₂ emissions

Buildings are the major elec. consumer

Current U.S. Electric Grid - 2020



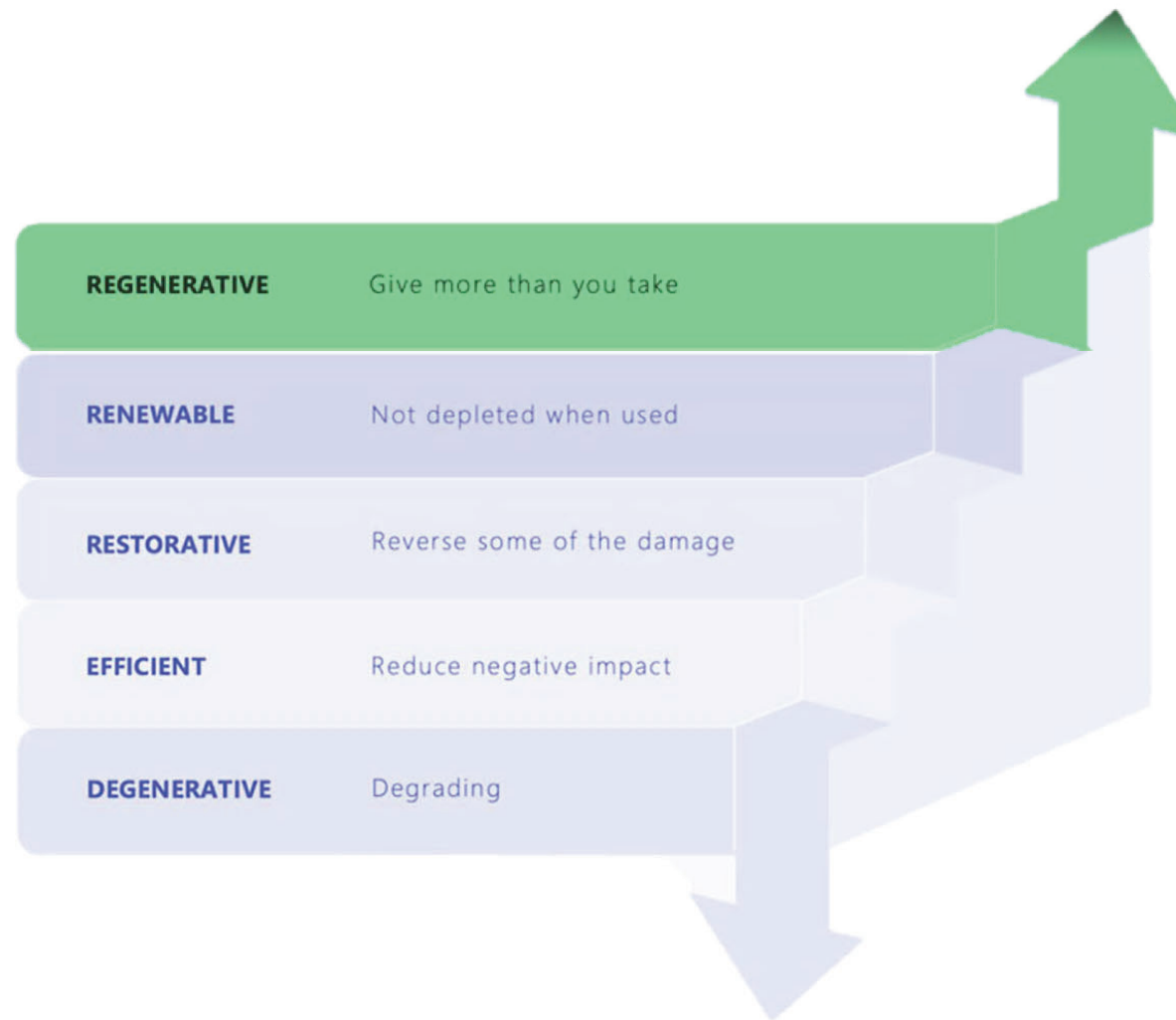
Growing PV systems

U.S. Electric Grid – 2020, Decarbonization + Electrification Scenario



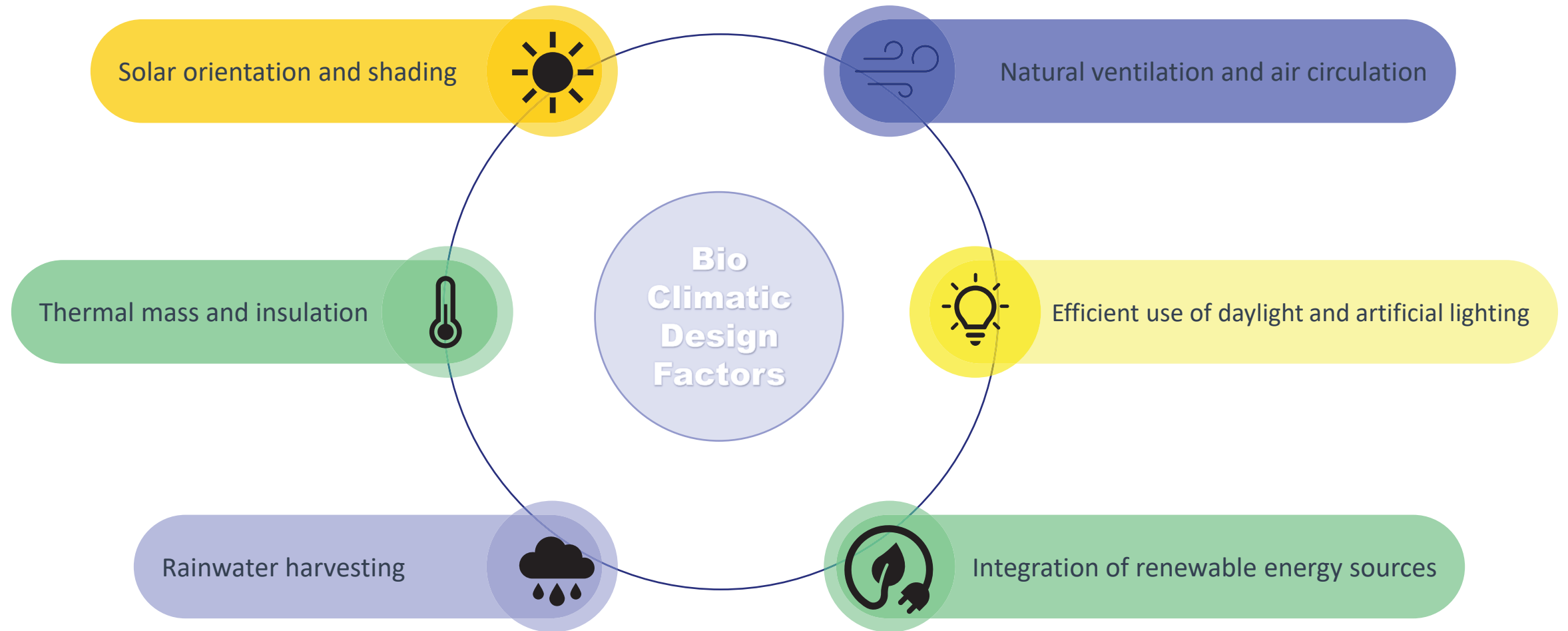


Construction of the Eisenhower Executive Office Building. Source: <https://georgewhush-whitehouse.archives.gov/>

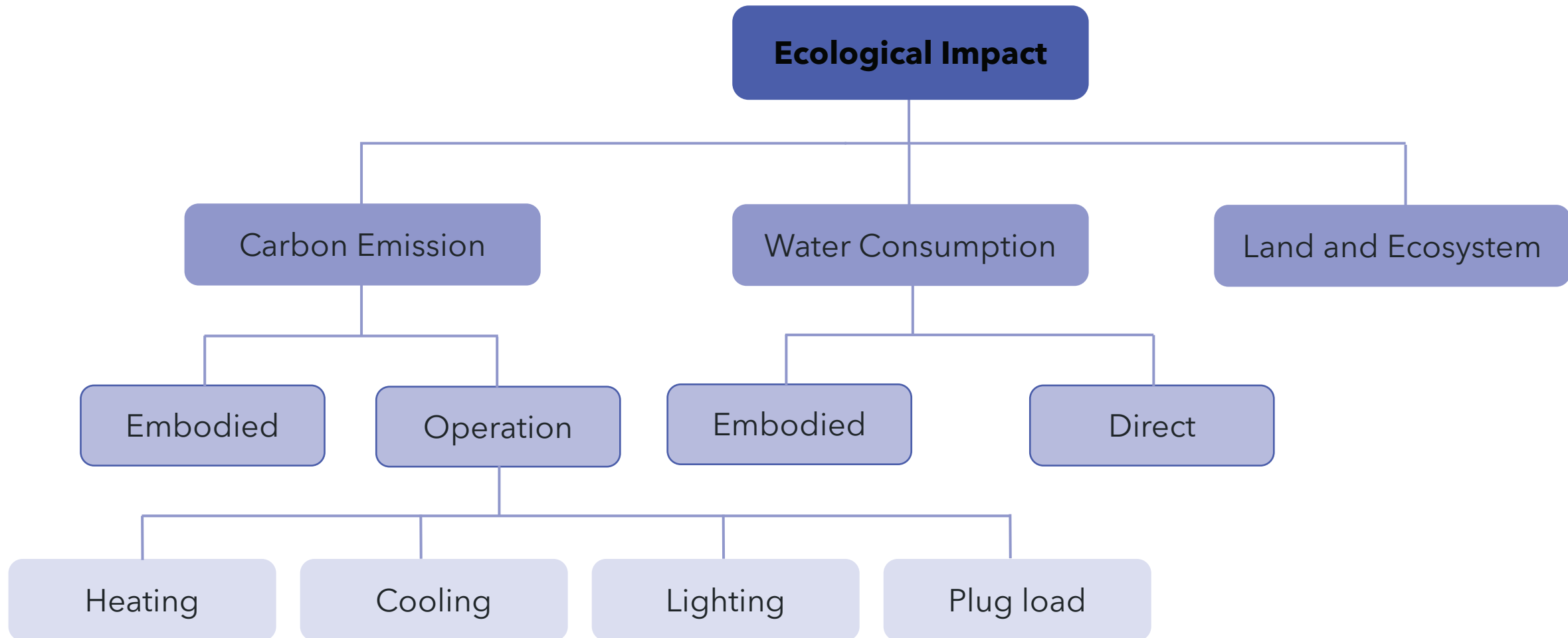


The new
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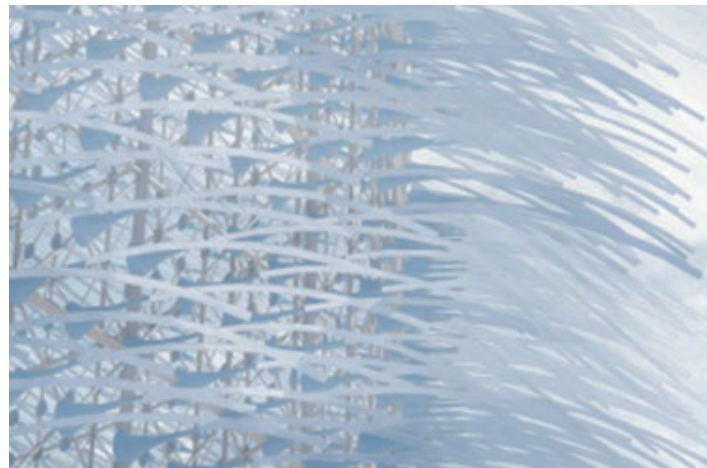
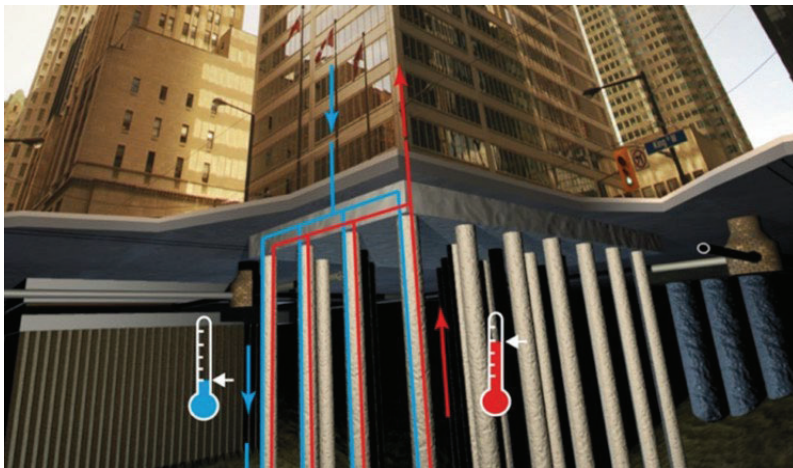
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2. Minimizing the impact

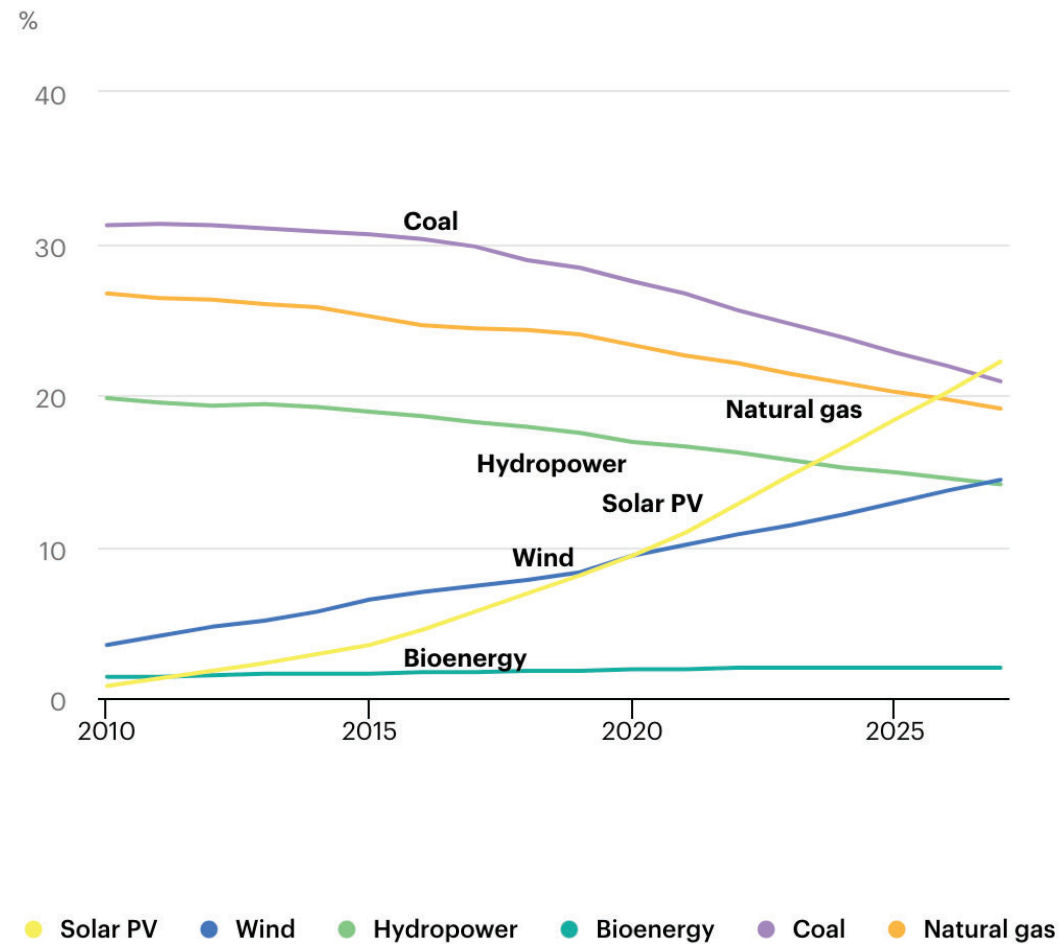


3. Maximizing the generation

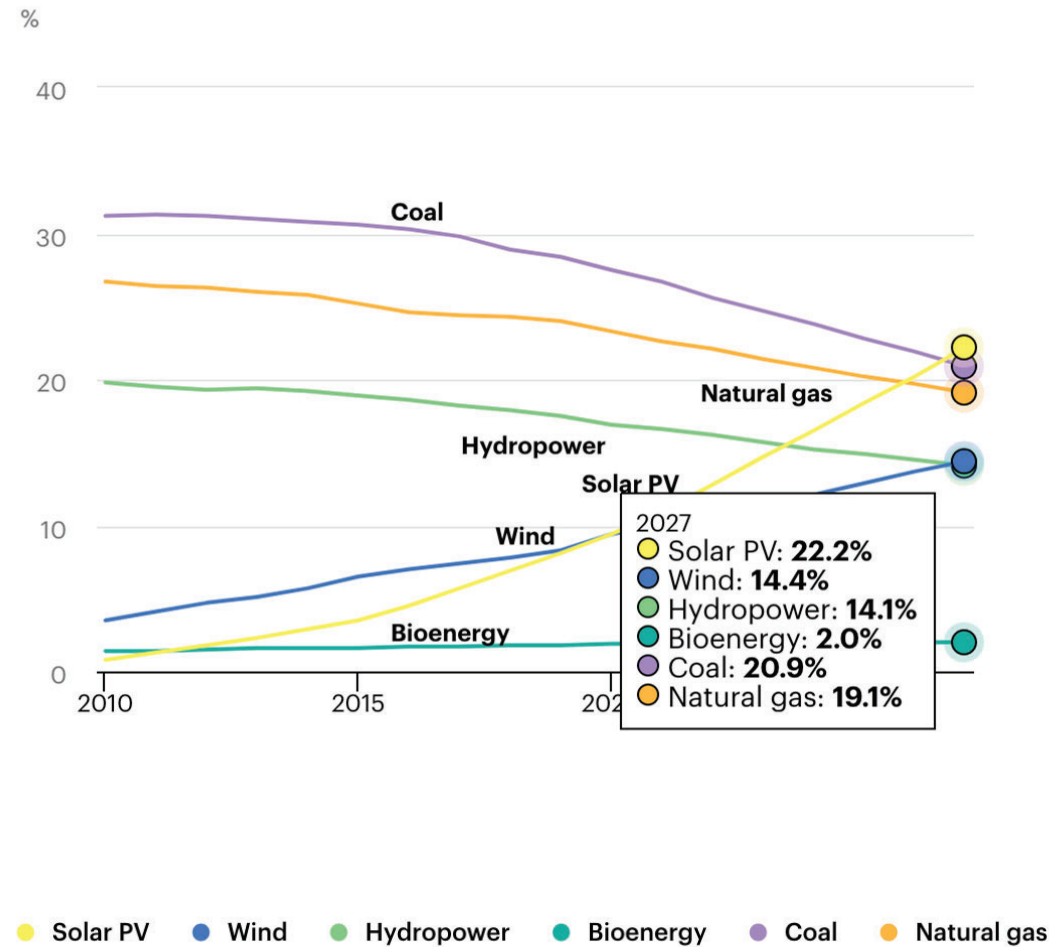


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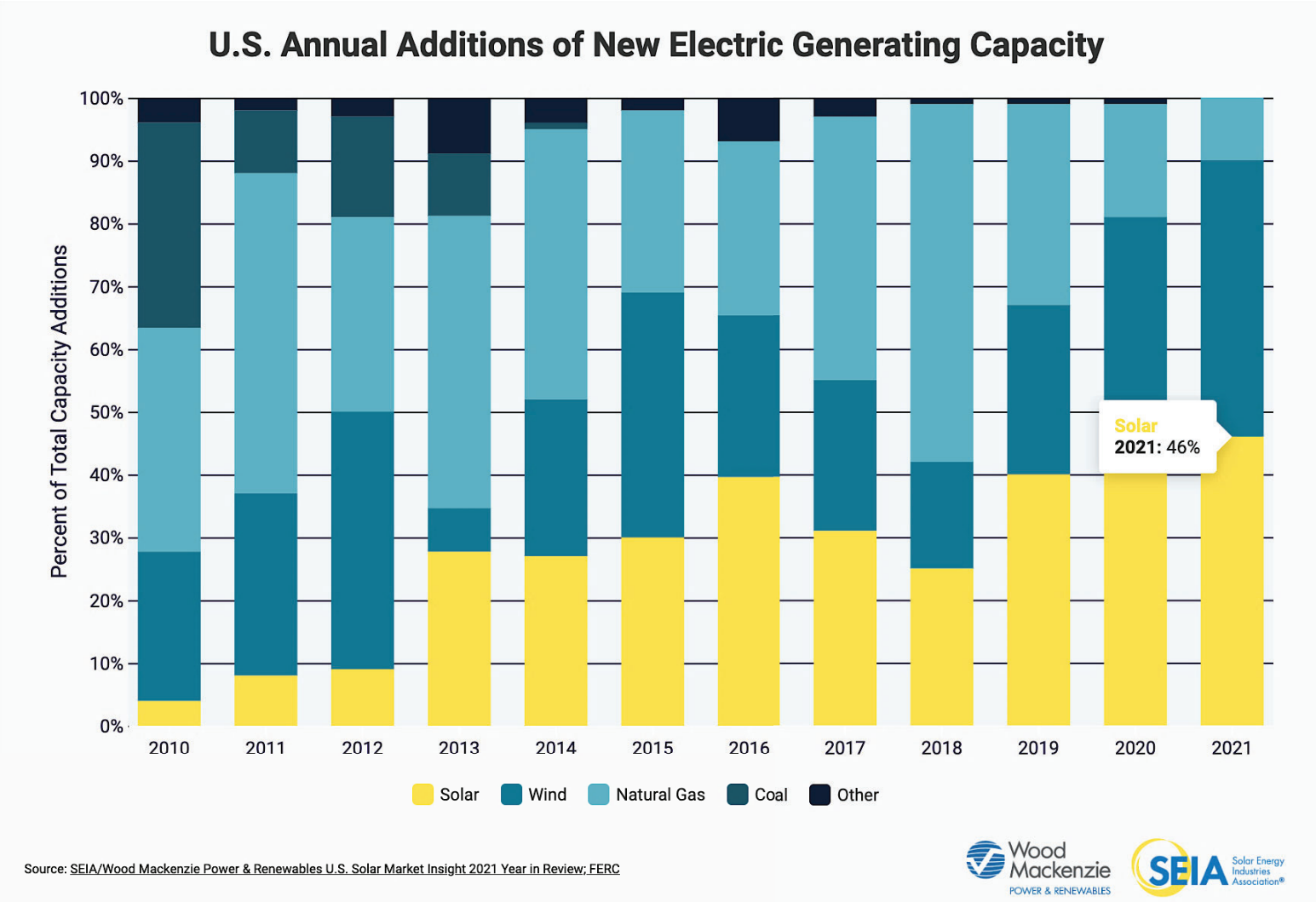
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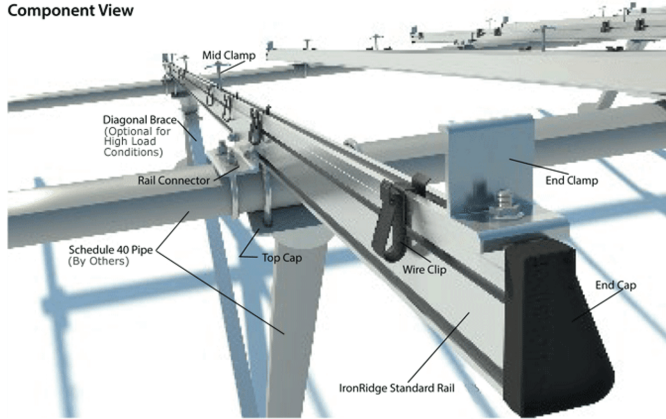
Solar energy rapidly growing in the US





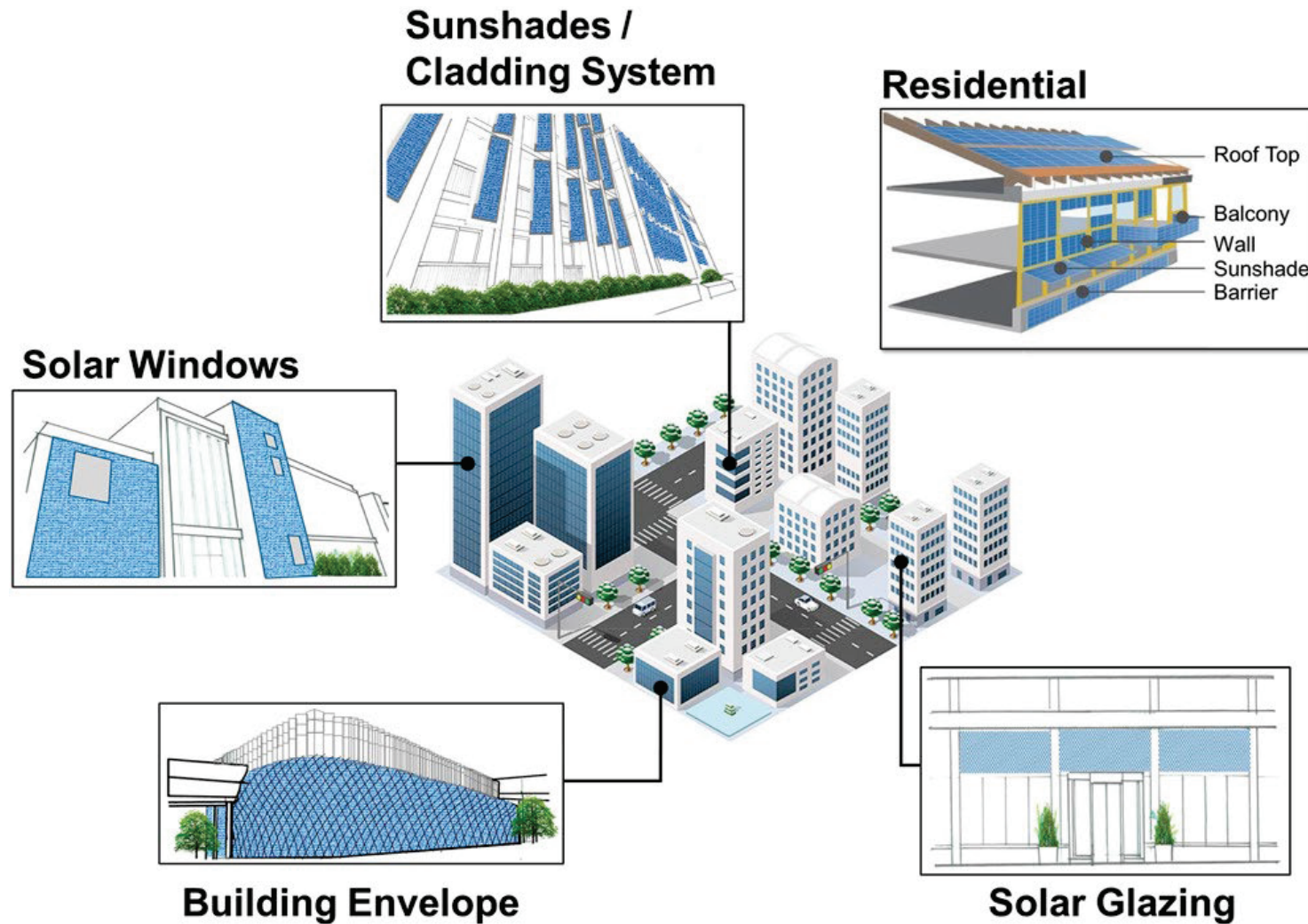
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Solar farms



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Building integrated PV (BIPV) systems



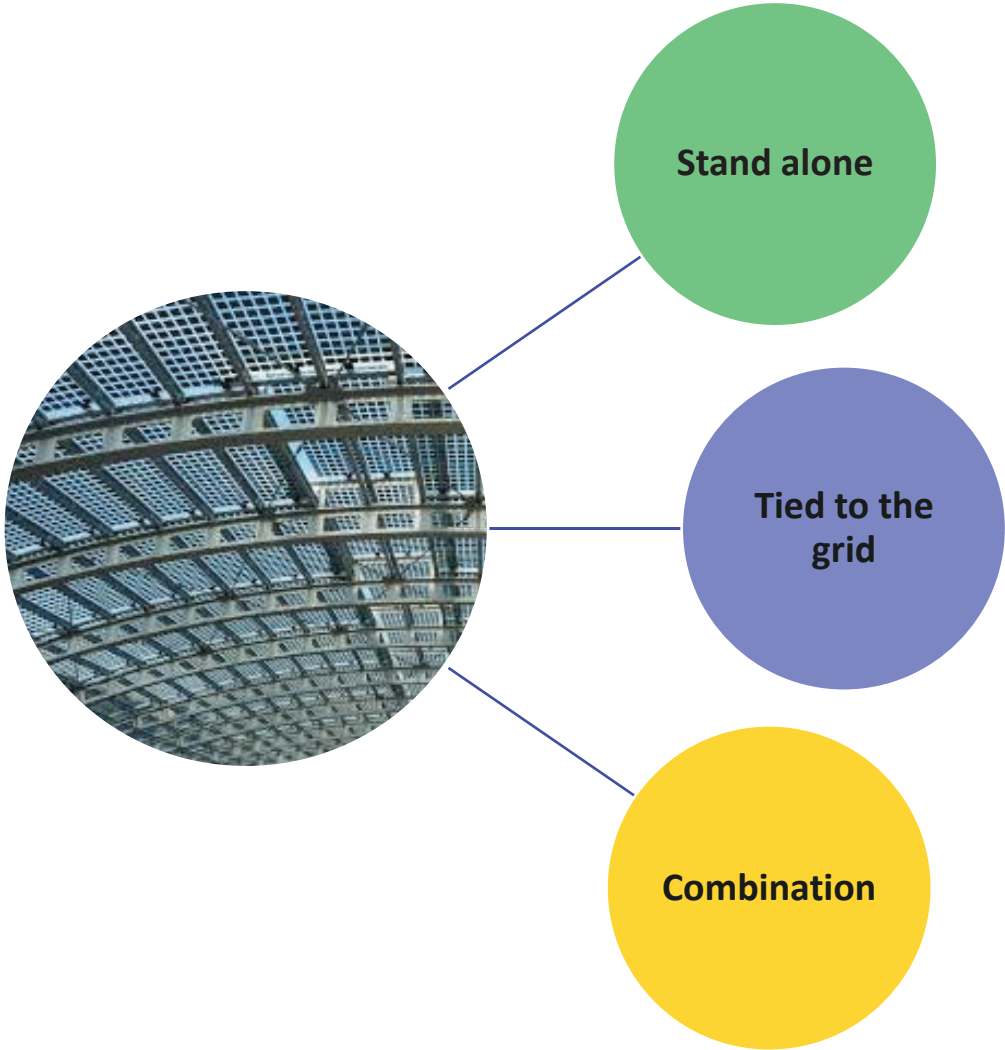
Opportunities:

- Integrated into the existing system
- No need for extra material to install the PV system*
- Cost-effective
- On-site electricity
- Positive aesthetic impacts

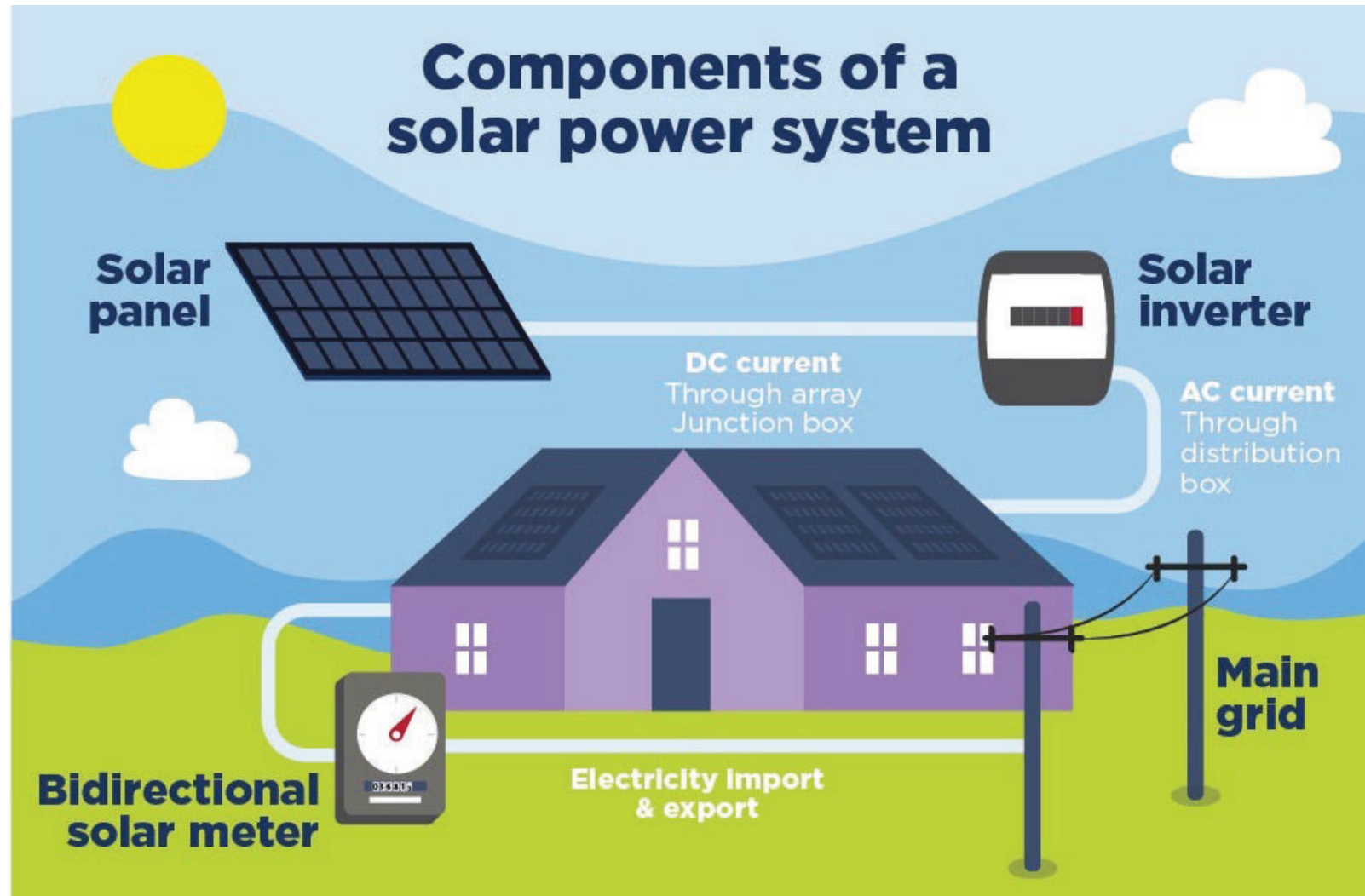
Challenges:

- Partial Shadows
- Duck Curve

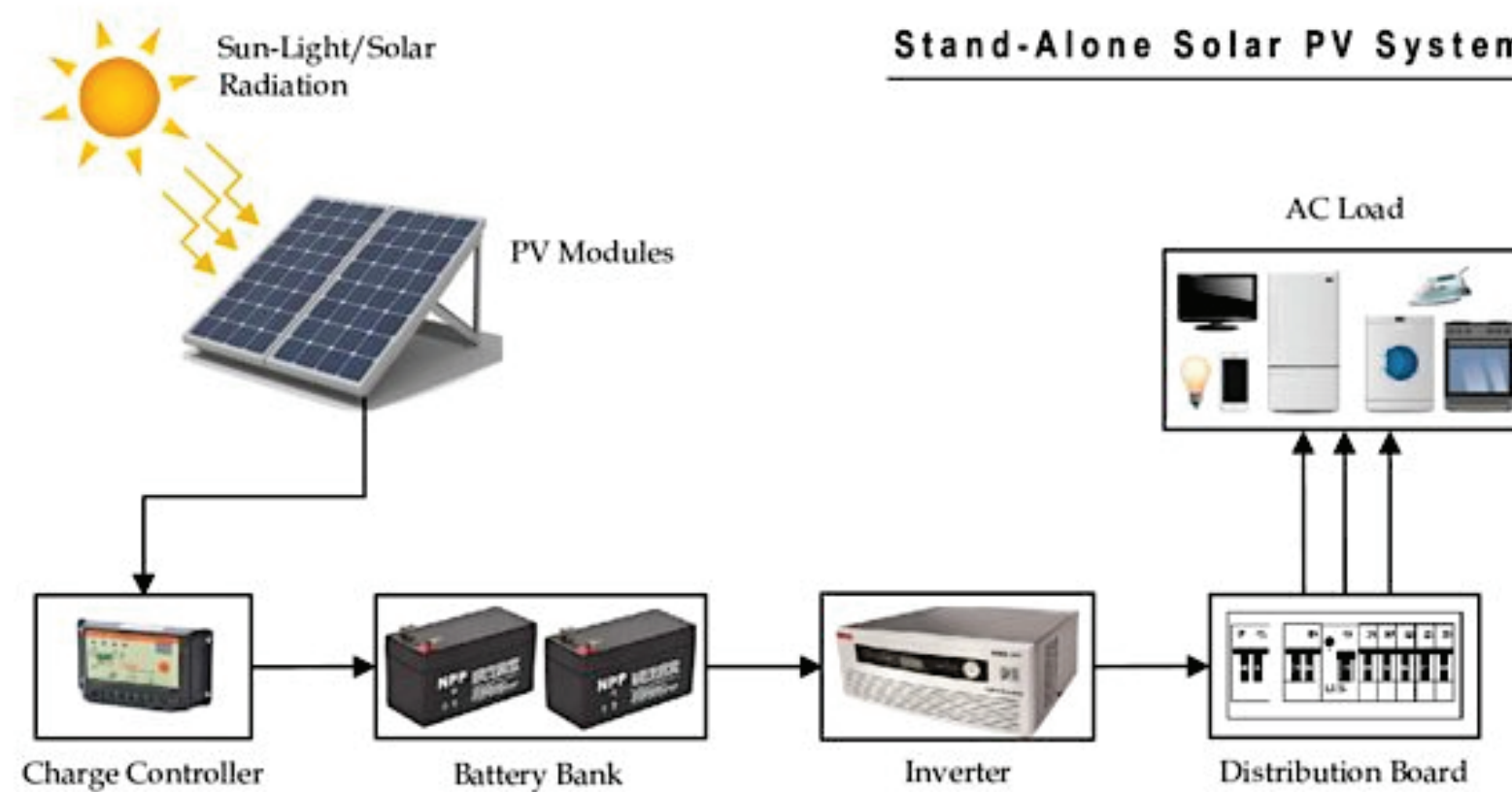
BIPV system components



Tied-to-the-grid BIPVs



Stand-alone BIPVs





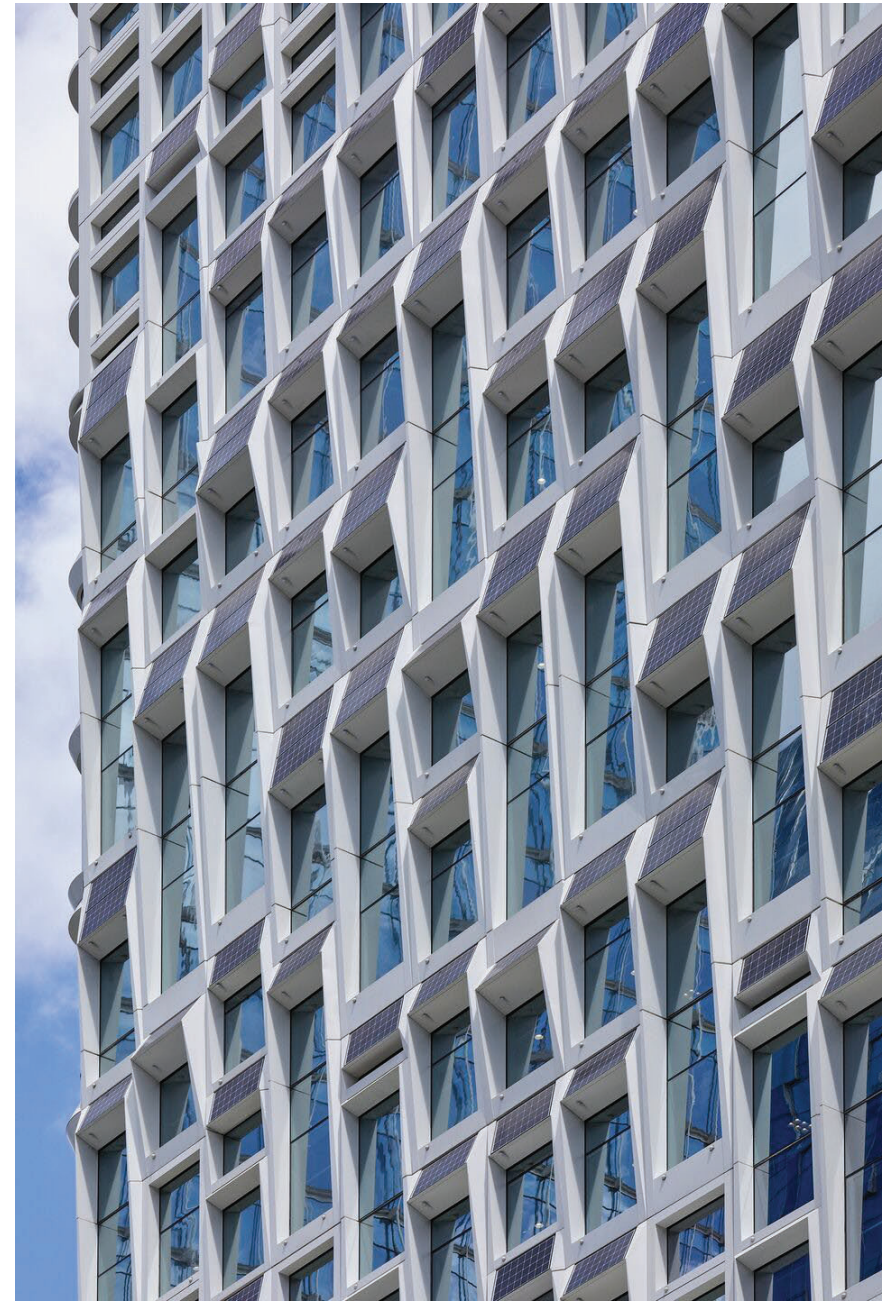
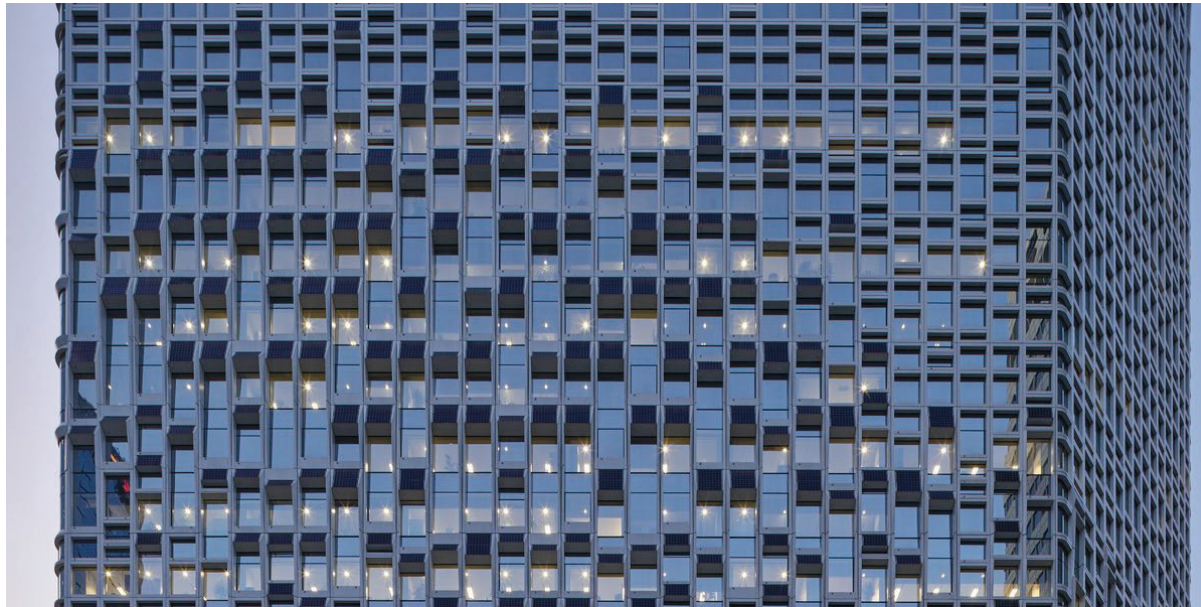
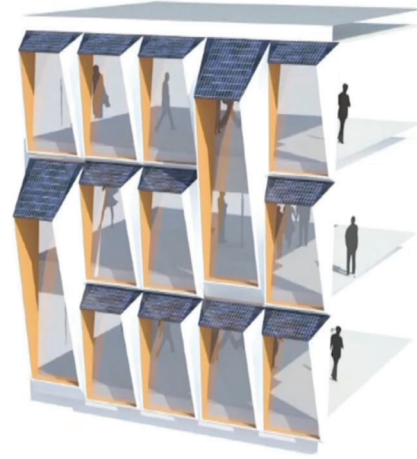
IMPLEMENTED SYSTEMS

BIPV EXAMPLES

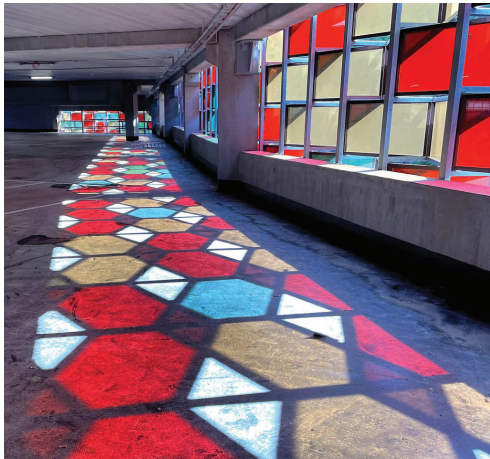
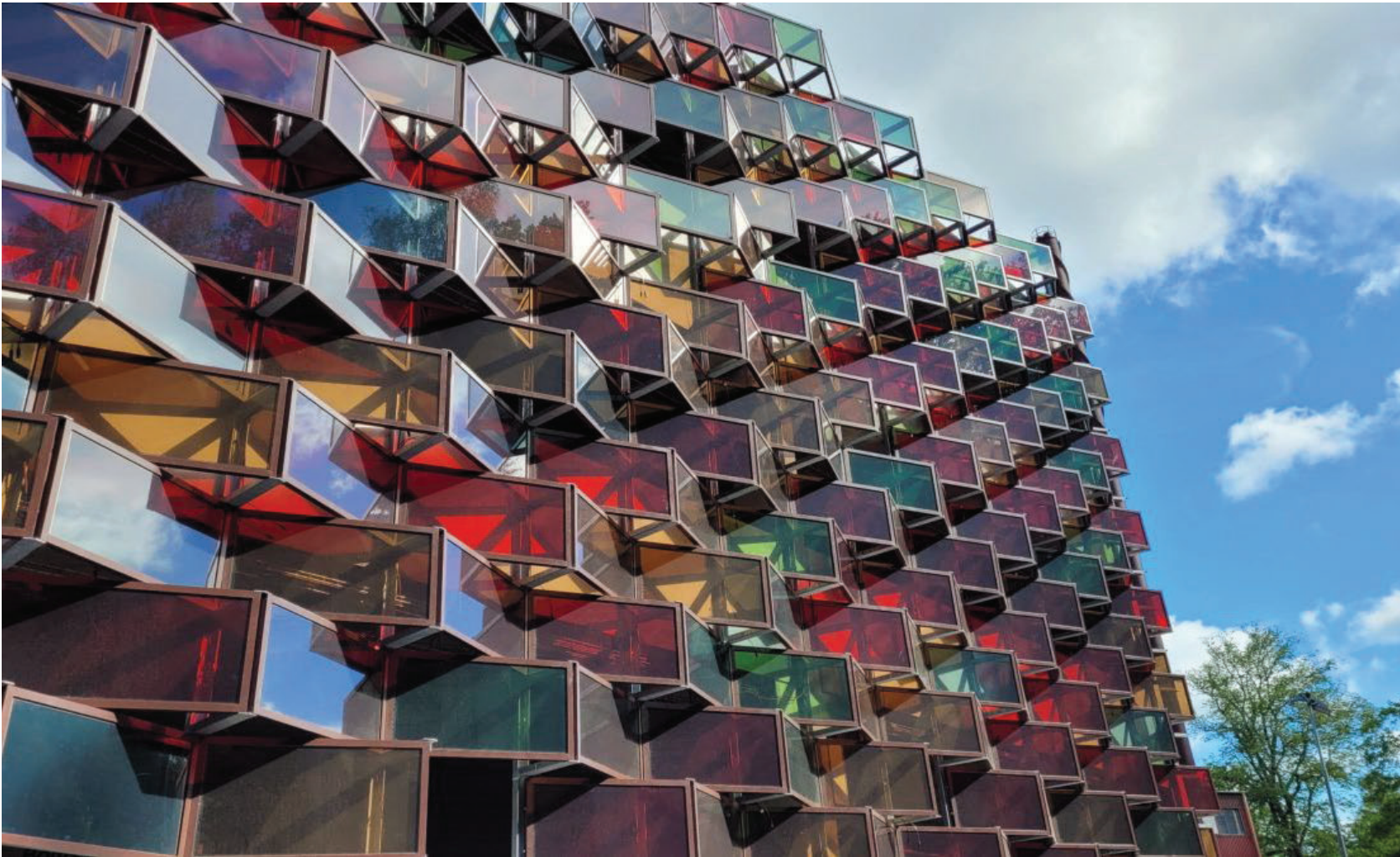
OLV hospital Aalst, Belgium



Hanwha HQ, South Korea

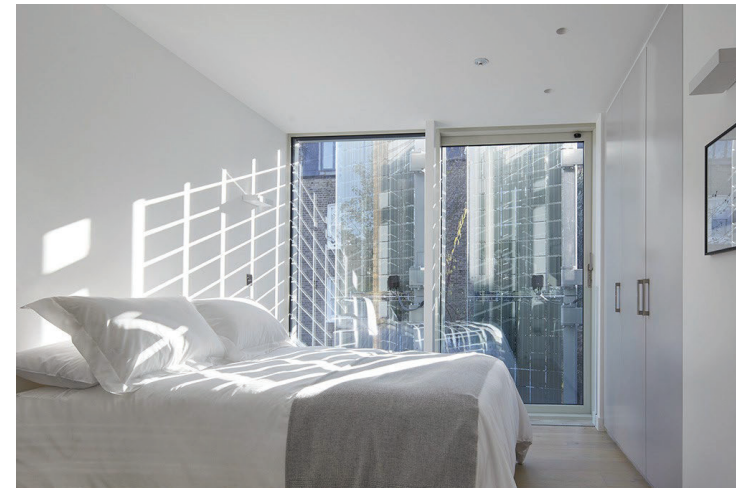
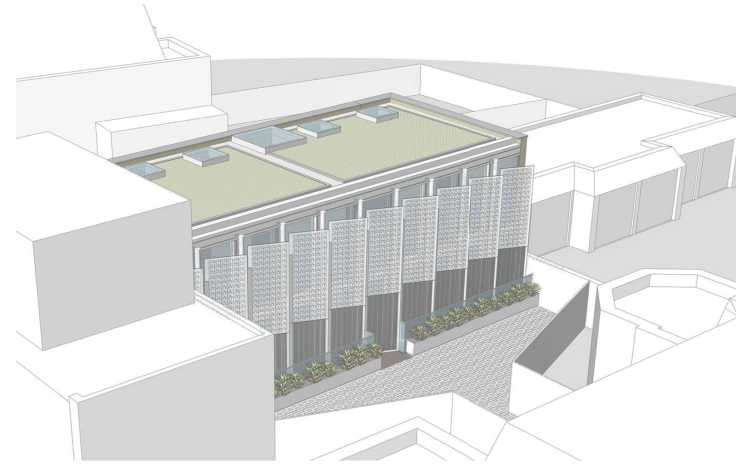


Parking, Sweden

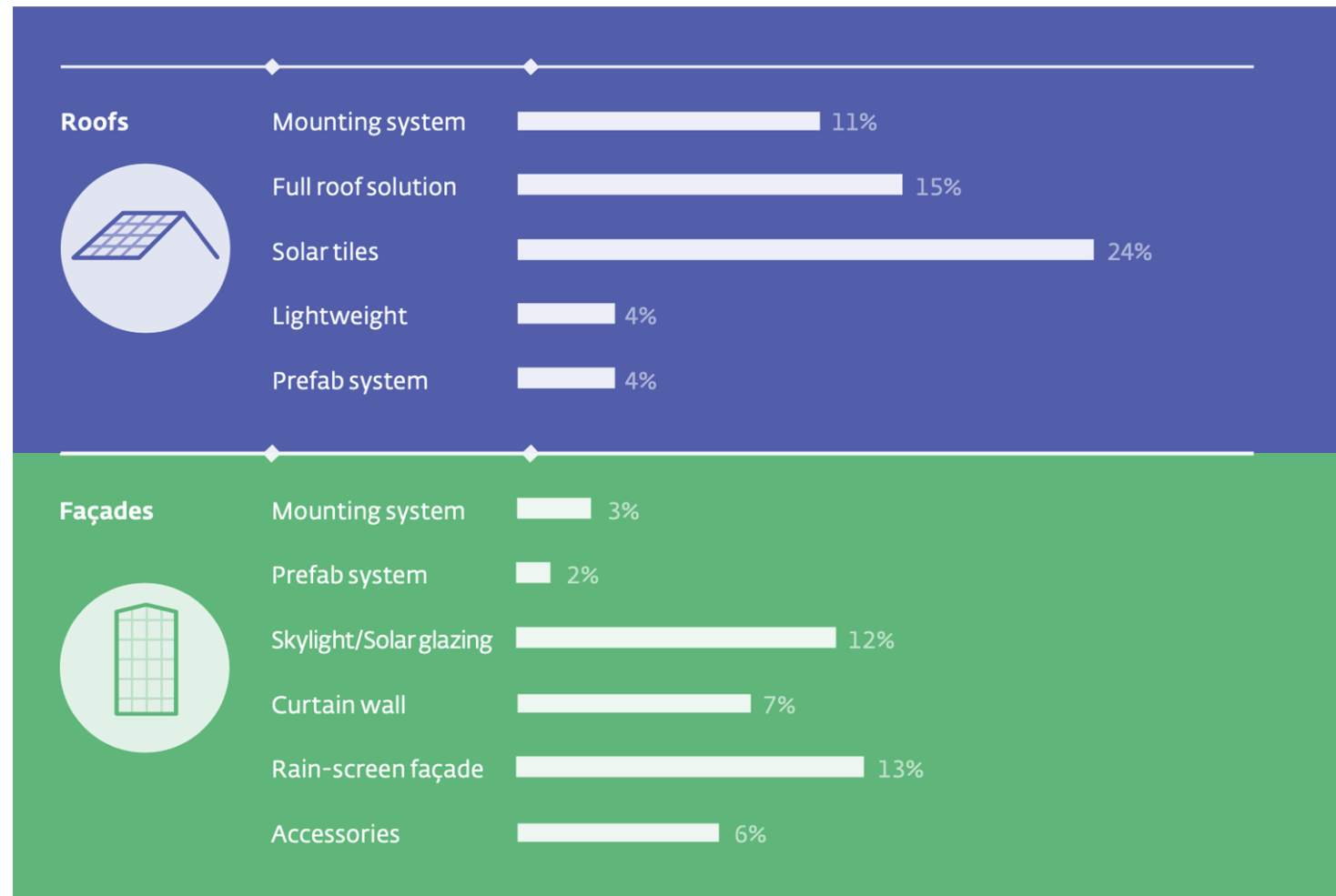


<https://soltechenergy.com/en/>

House, London



Distribution of different BIPV systems



BIPV Challenges



- Lack of rooftop space to mount and install roof-mounted PV system
- Partial Shadows from panels self-shading or surrounding objects
- Duck curve and grid reliability
- Software limitations
- Discrepancies between real-world applications and software simulations