

# From Equations to Execution

## Real Problems in Energy & Financial Trading

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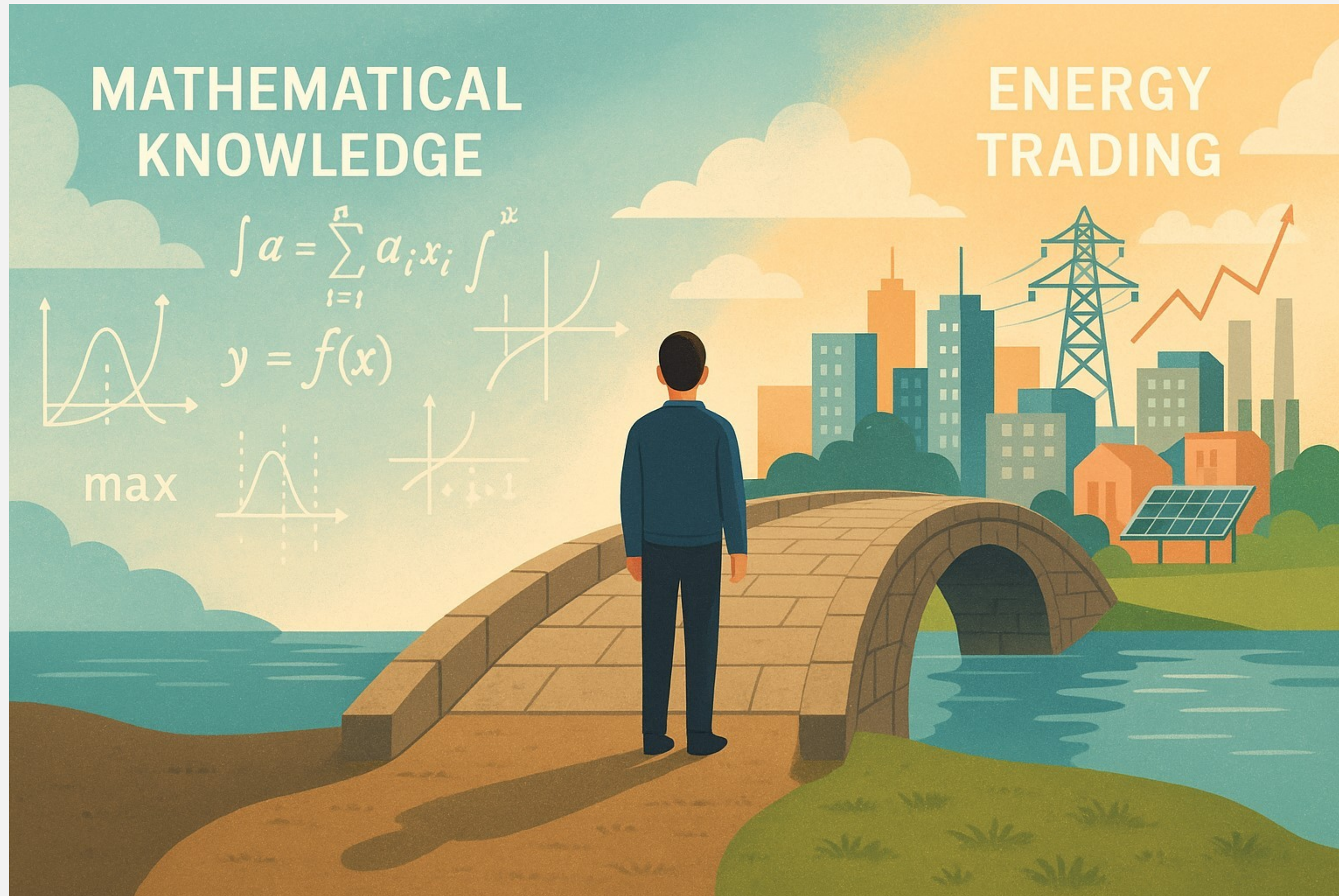
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# Many rivers to cross





# 4 stories for today



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## Story #1: Volatility

What happens internationally always shapes our work locally.

## Story #2: Price forecasting

shield customers and producers from market swings.

## Story #3: Physical Energy Markets

Shedding light on the black box.

## Story #4: RES

The elephant in the room is **green**.

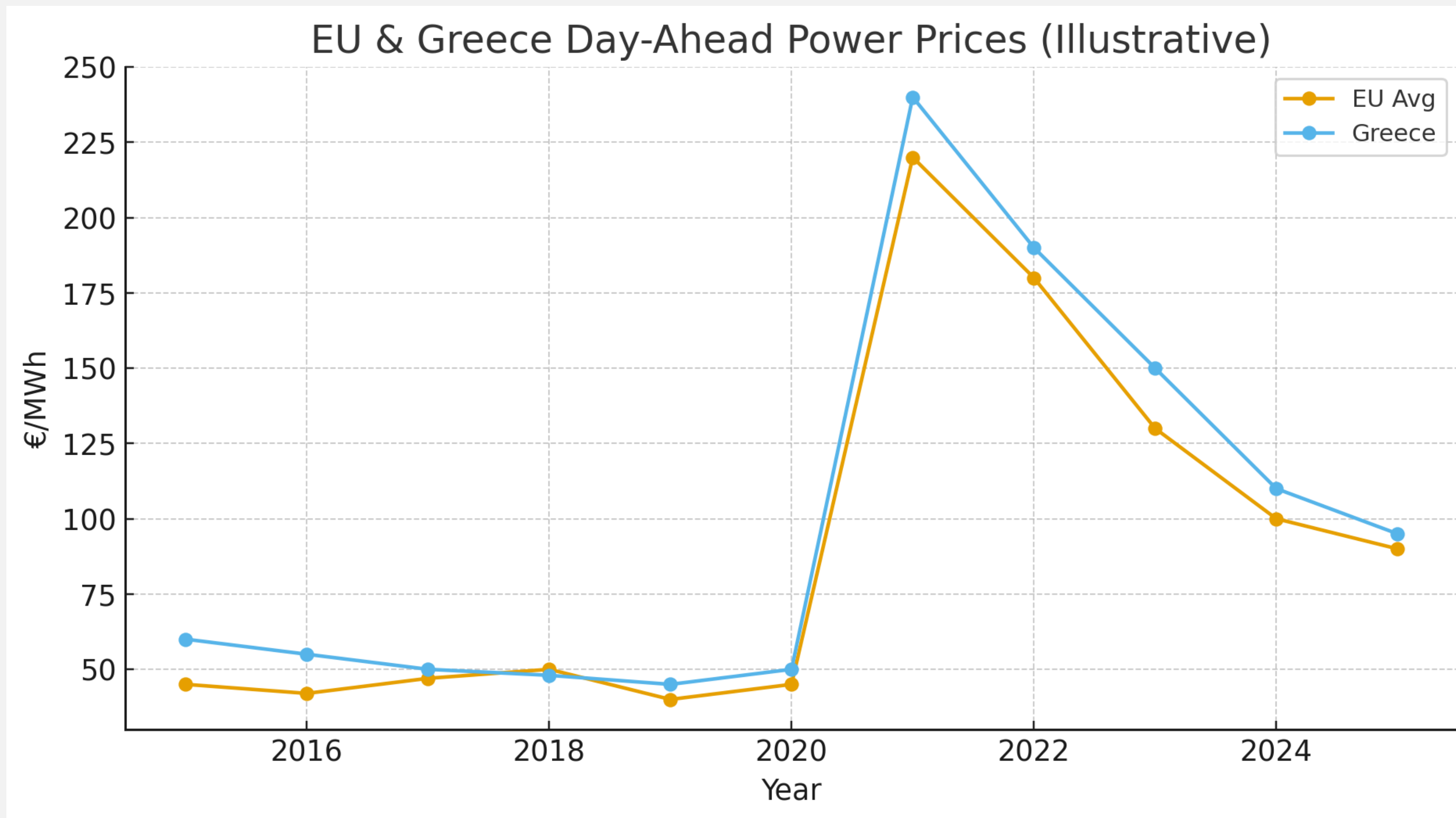
# Story #1

# Volatility



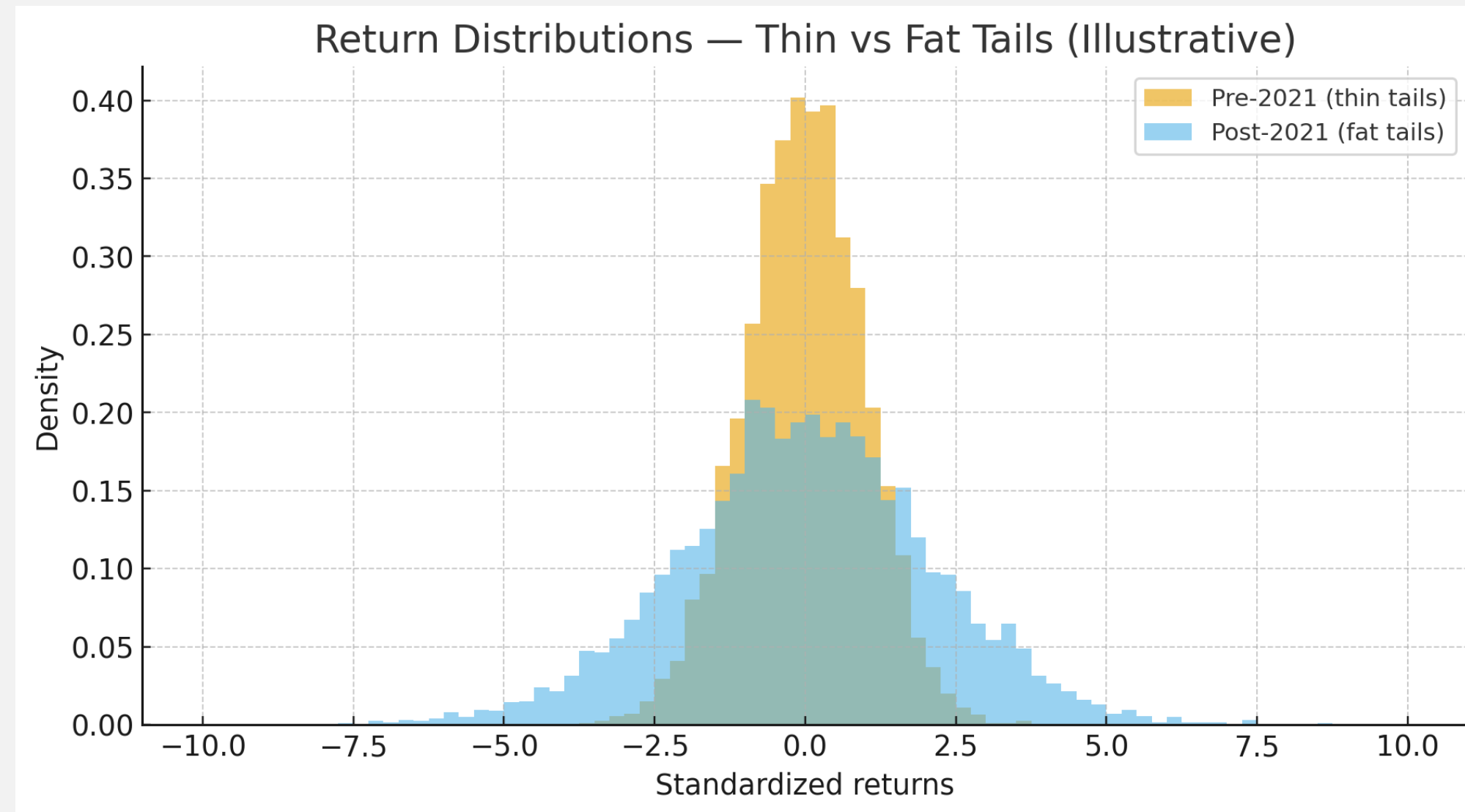
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# What kind of tools do I need to cope with that?





# Thin vs Fat Tails in Power Prices

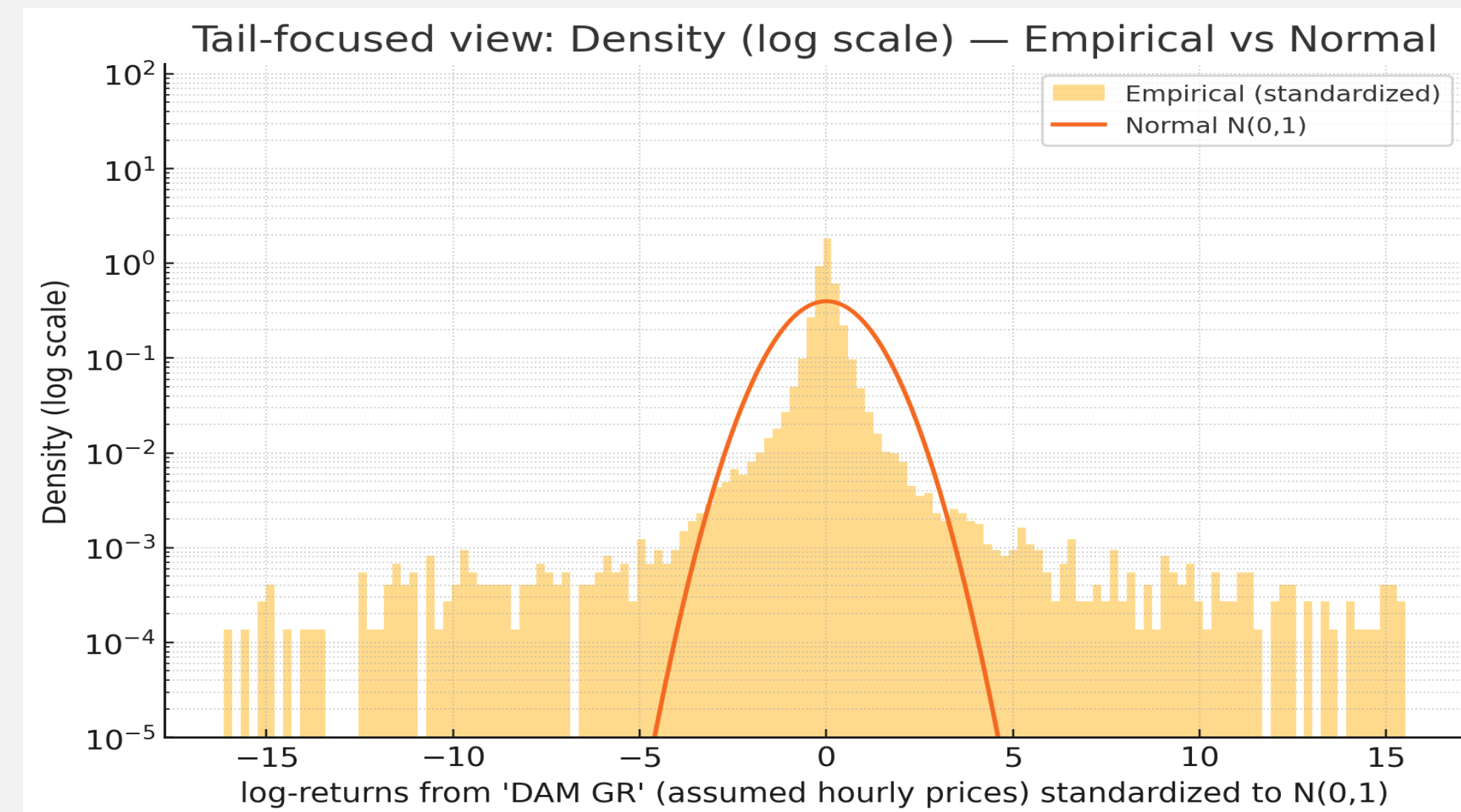


## Volatility & Tails — Key Equations

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \alpha \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

$$P(X > x) \approx kx^{-\alpha}, \quad \xi = 1/\alpha$$

GARCH captures clustering; EVT parameterizes heavy tails for extreme events.



Post-2021 distributions exhibit heavier tails — motivating EVT/stochastic volatility.

# AI-Powered Risk Management

Traditional models (GARCH, EVT) explain structured volatility and tail risk. AI systems extend them — learning, adapting, and predicting risk regimes in real time.

Layer	Method	Role
Volatility Modeling	GARCH / EGARCH / TGARCH	Capture time-varying risk
Tail Modeling	EVT / GPD	Quantify extreme price spikes
Learning & Adaptation	LSTM / Transformers	Learn nonlinear temporal structure
Decision Layer	Reinforcement Learning	Optimize bids/hedges/SoC under constraints

AI-augmented GARCH-EVT frameworks merge statistical interpretability with adaptive intelligence — enabling real-time, explainable, tail-aware risk management.

GARCH(1,1):

$$\sigma_t^2 = \omega + \alpha \varepsilon_{t-1}^2 + \beta \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

EVT (GPD):

$$P(X > x \mid X > u) \approx (1 + \xi (x - u)/\beta)^{-1/\xi}$$

RL Objective:

$$J(\theta) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \gamma^t r_t \right]$$

Risk-aware:

$$J_{\text{risk}} = J - \kappa \text{CVaR}_\alpha(-\sum \gamma^t r_t)$$



# Story #2

## Price Forecasting



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# Different stakeholders – different needs



Standard Products



Non-Standard Products



Trading teams providing solution



RES Owners

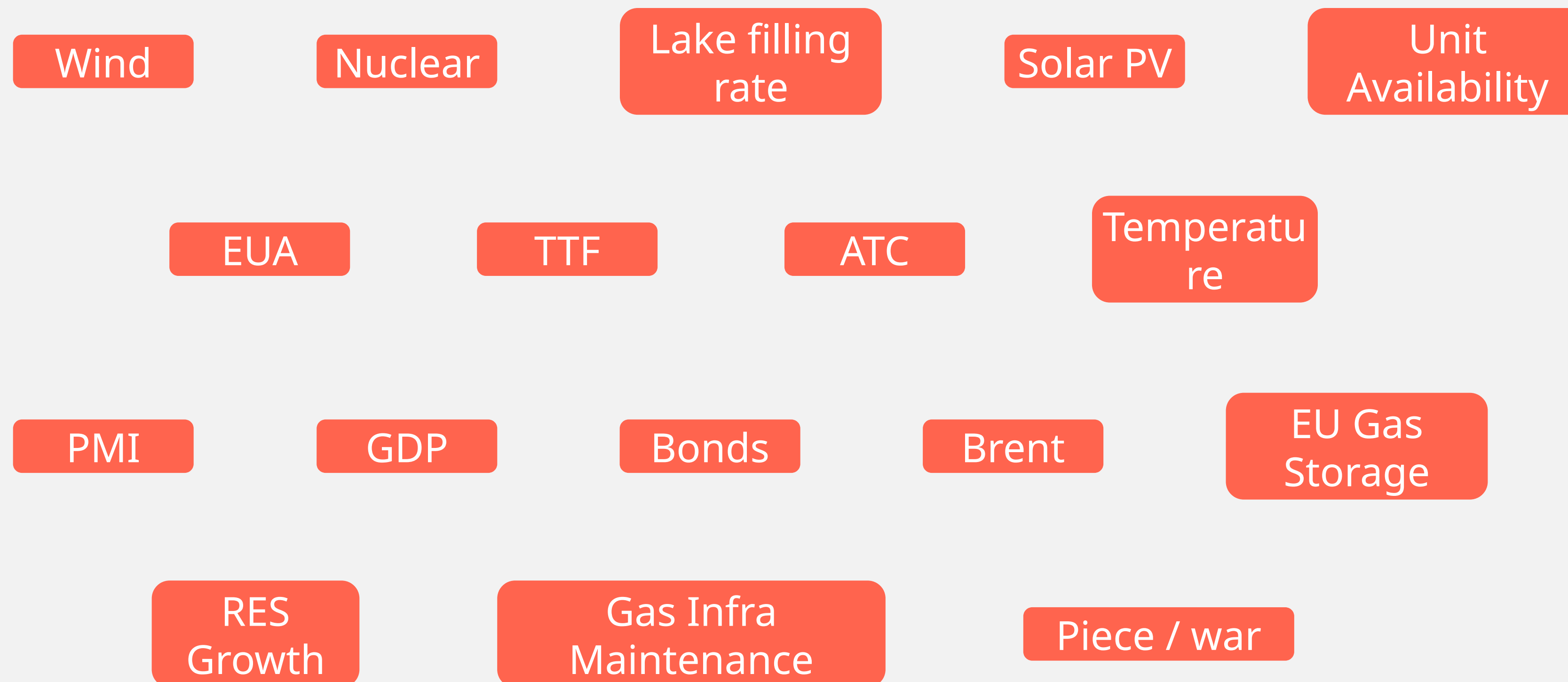


Consumers



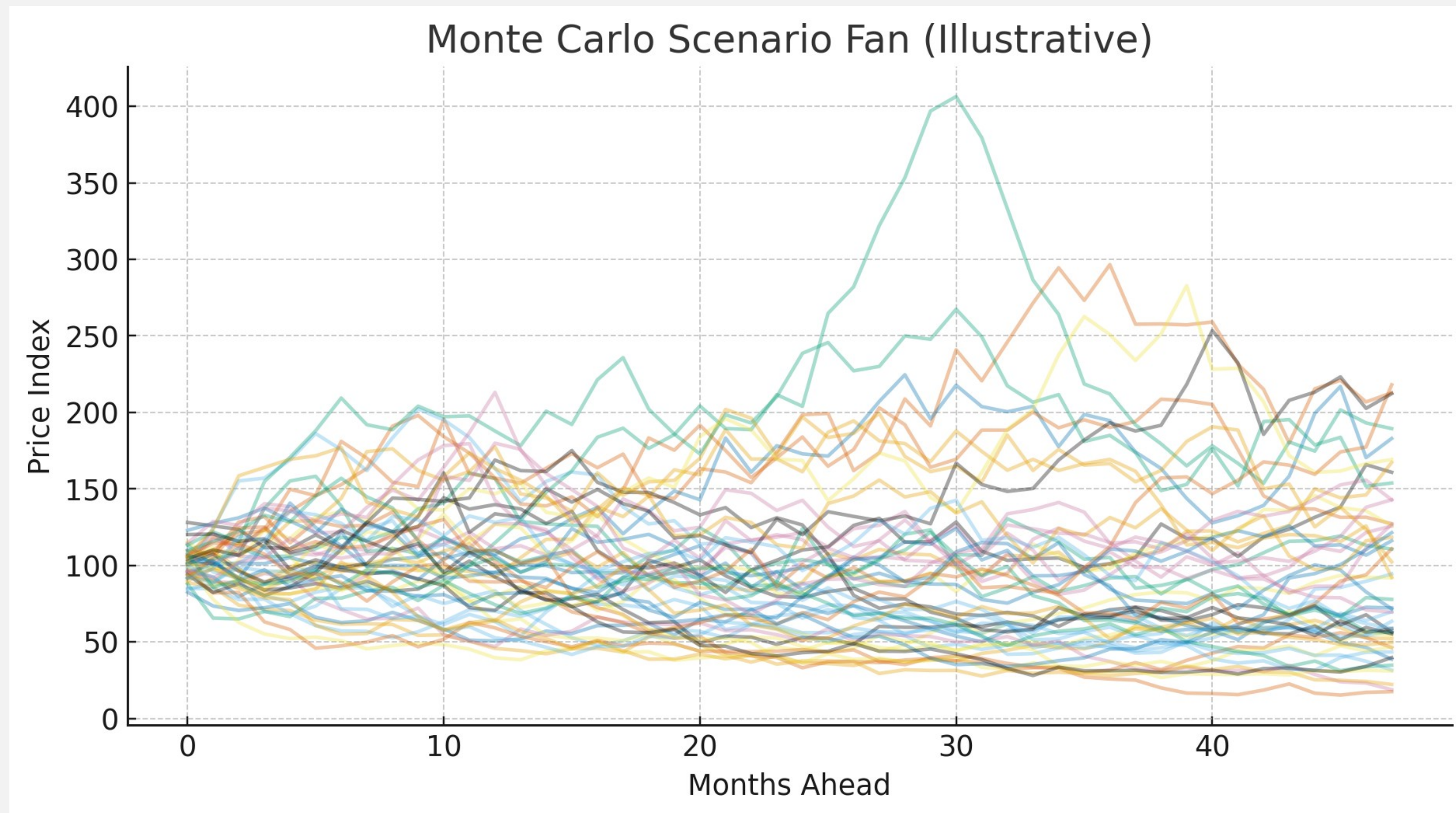
Math as a tool for decision making

## Let's dive into our data landscape





# Scenario Fan



Scenario Modelling — GBM Path Dynamics (Illustrative)

$$S_{t+\Delta t} = S_t e^{(\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2)\Delta t + \sigma\sqrt{\Delta t}Z_t}$$

# Story #3

# Physical Energy

# Markets

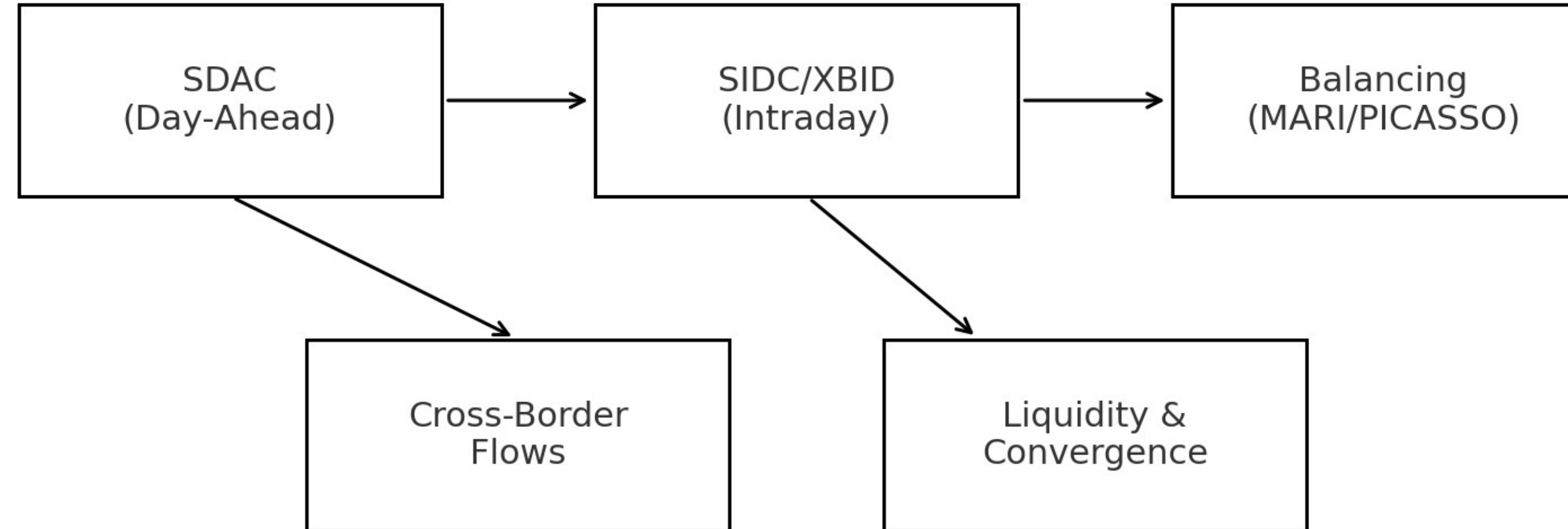


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# So, there's more than one market?

## EU Market Integration (Schematic)



# What is SDAC and how does it work?

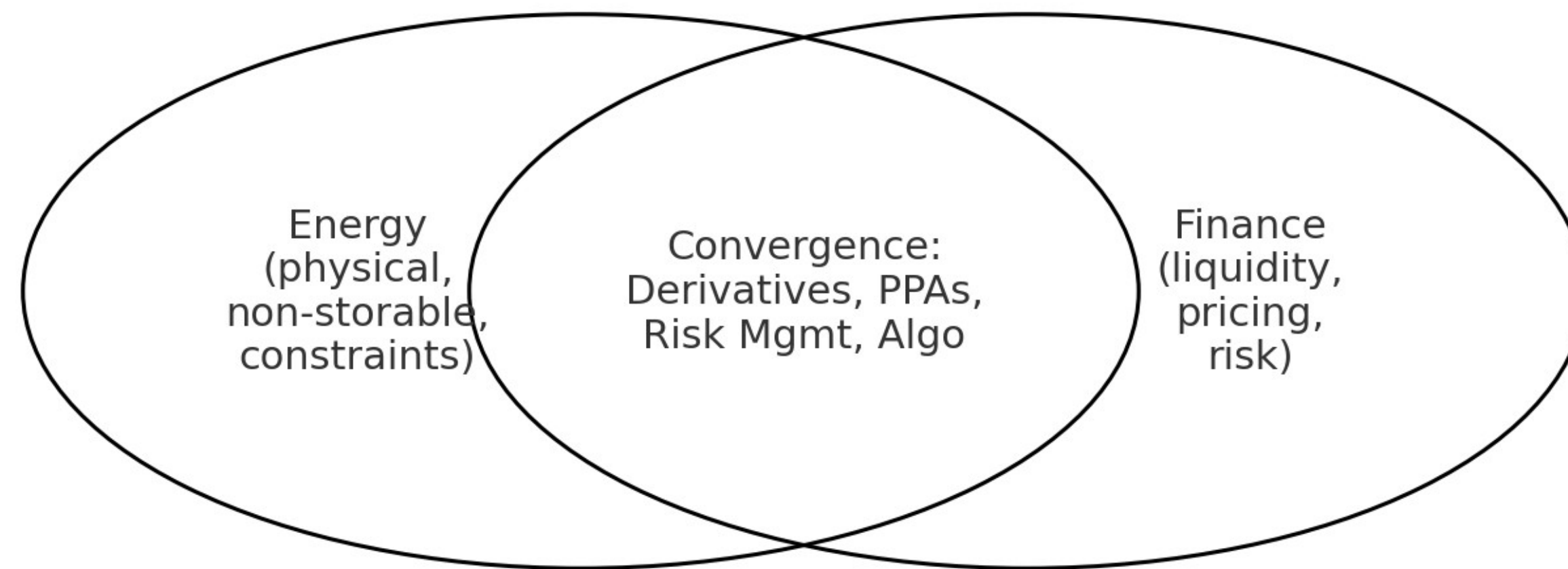
Market Clearing (Abstracted)

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \sum_i C_i(P_i) \\ \text{s. t. } & \sum_i P_i = D, \text{ and network constraints} \end{aligned}$$

Clearing minimizes cost subject to demand balance and network constraints.



# Physical vs Financial – Two worlds, one reality



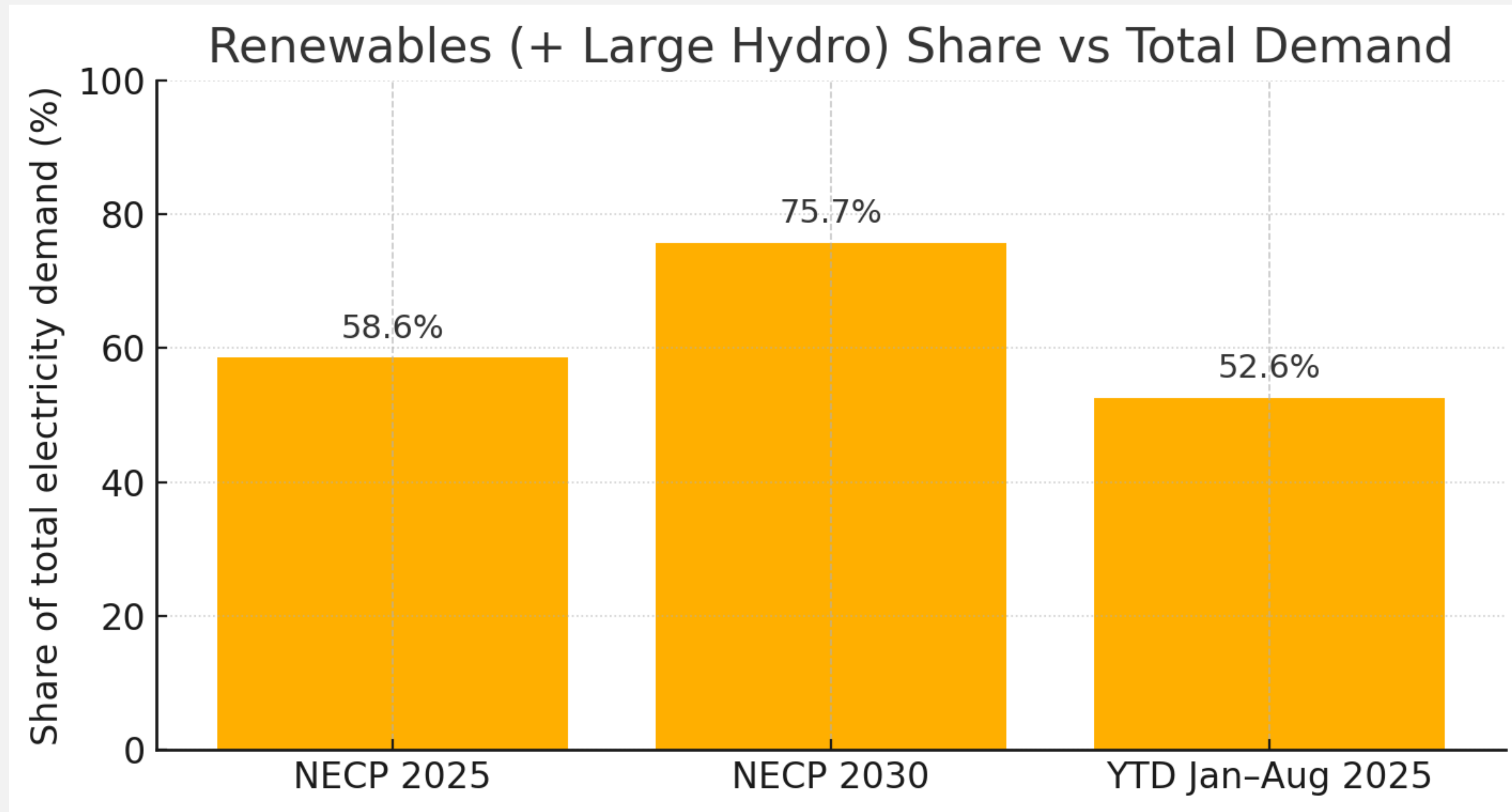


A landscape photograph showing several white wind turbines on rolling green hills under a cloudy sky. The hills are covered in lush green grass, and the turbines are spaced out across the horizon. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds, and the overall scene conveys a sense of clean, renewable energy.

# Story #4 The king in energy chess



# Why Green is king?





# Domain Knowledge & Data Analysis: Side by side

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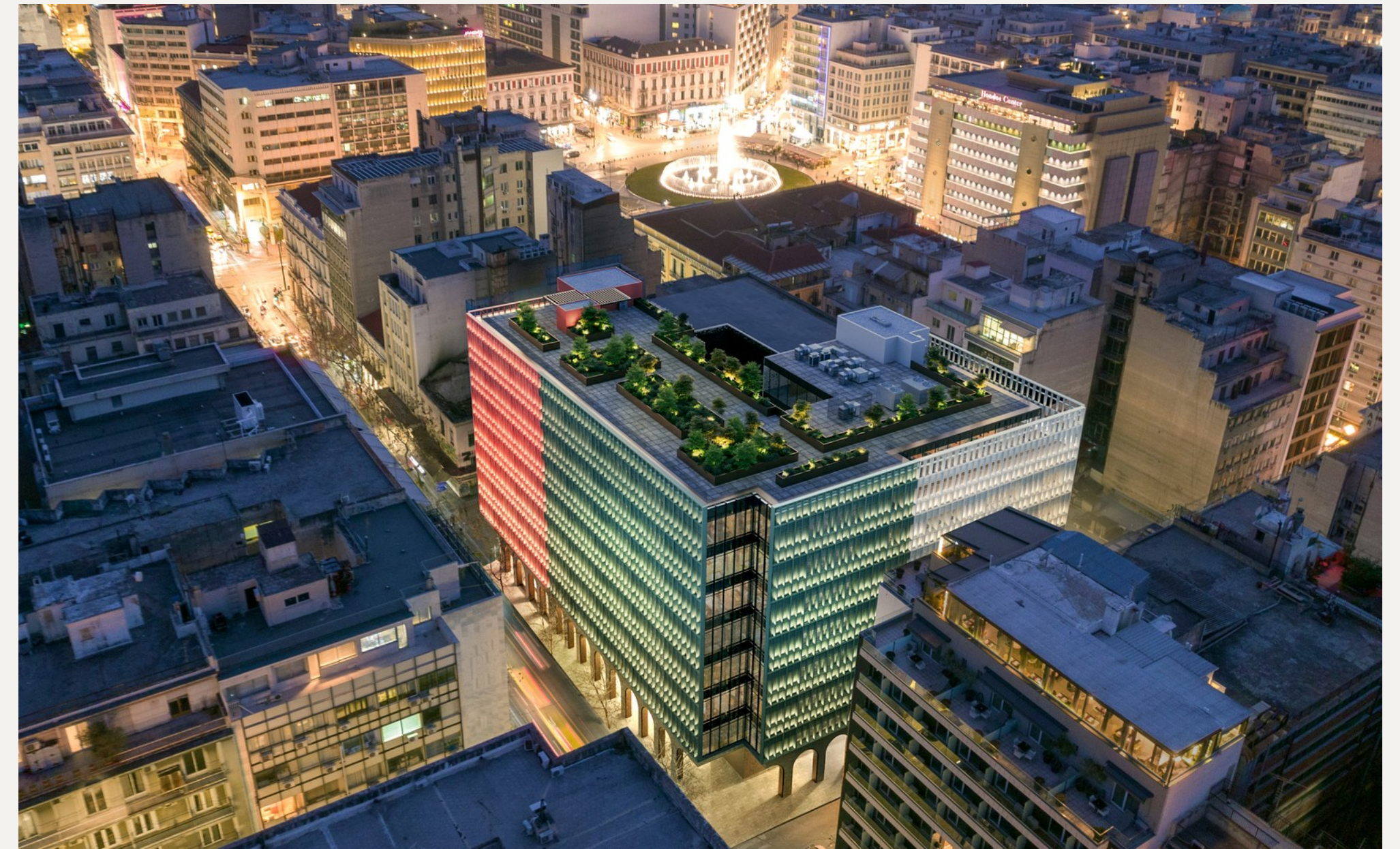
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- ✓ From **production** to **consumption**
- ✓ Brainstorm together, **achieve** together
- ✓ **Collaborate** to **innovate**
- ✓ Synergy in action: **teamwork** makes the **dream work**
- ✓ Two teams, **one vision: excellence!**



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# From Theory to Market — Your Turn to Cross the Bridge



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