



A PROPOSED LEAN DECISION-MAKING PROCESS FOR BUILDING ENERGY RETROFITS

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Some Definitions to Begin

- Building Retrofit: Changing or updating some or all of a building to improve its performance
- Building **Energy** Retrofit: Replacing, restoring, or updating one or more building systems in order to reduce the energy consumed by the building, generally on an annual basis
- Leaner: Less wasteful, more inclusive, and more transparent
- Retrofit Decisionmaking Process: A **system** comprising the **people** that decide which building systems to change and **how** those systems will change

Motivation

- Buildings consume a lot of energy (~40% of US national primary energy consumption)
- People spend ~90% of their time indoors
- Increasing climate extremes
- My kids (and yours!)



Local Examples

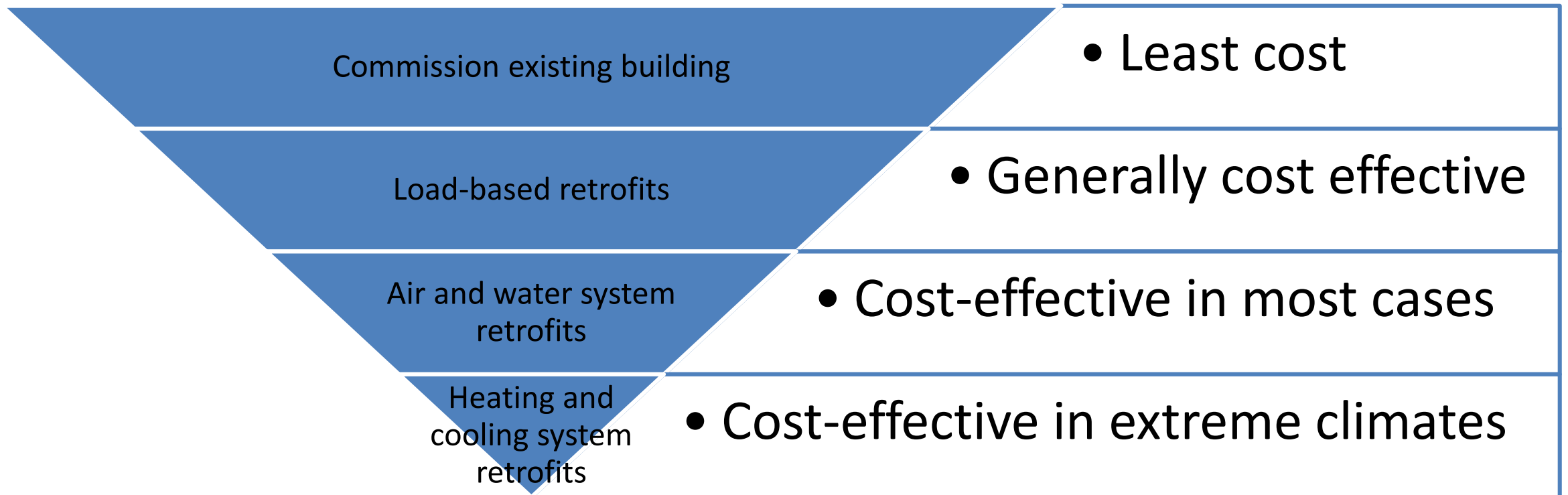


“Traditional” Building Energy Retrofit Decision-making Process



Hendron et al. 2013

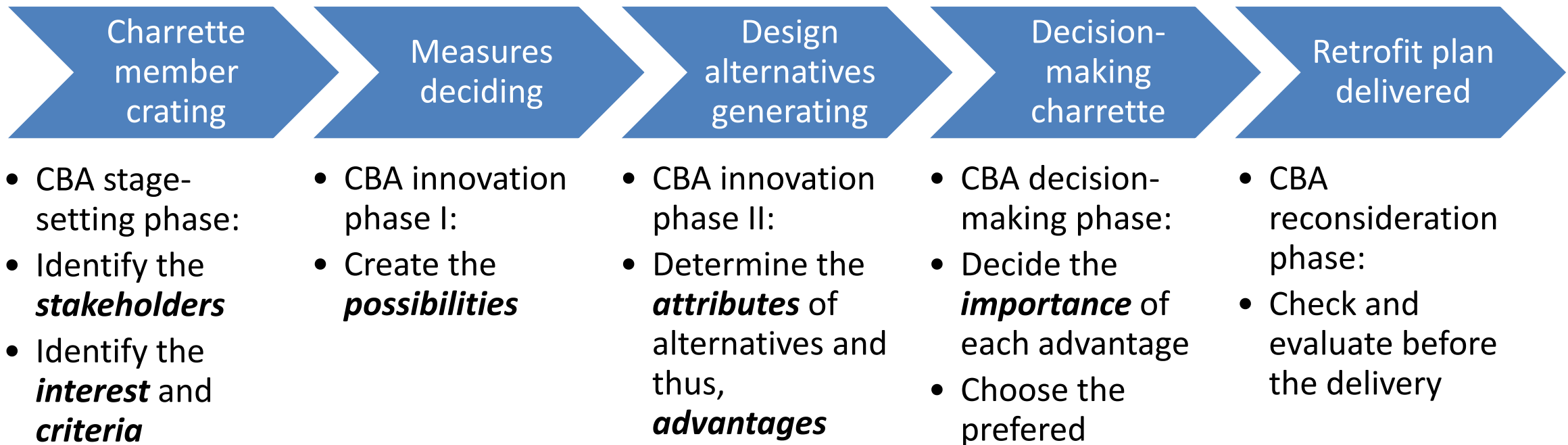
Economic Approach to Retrofit Decisionmaking



Something is Missing...?



Let's Leverage CBA to Improve this Process



THANK YOU & ANY QUESTIONS?

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