



Route Optimization for Offshore Maintenance Tasks & Case Study

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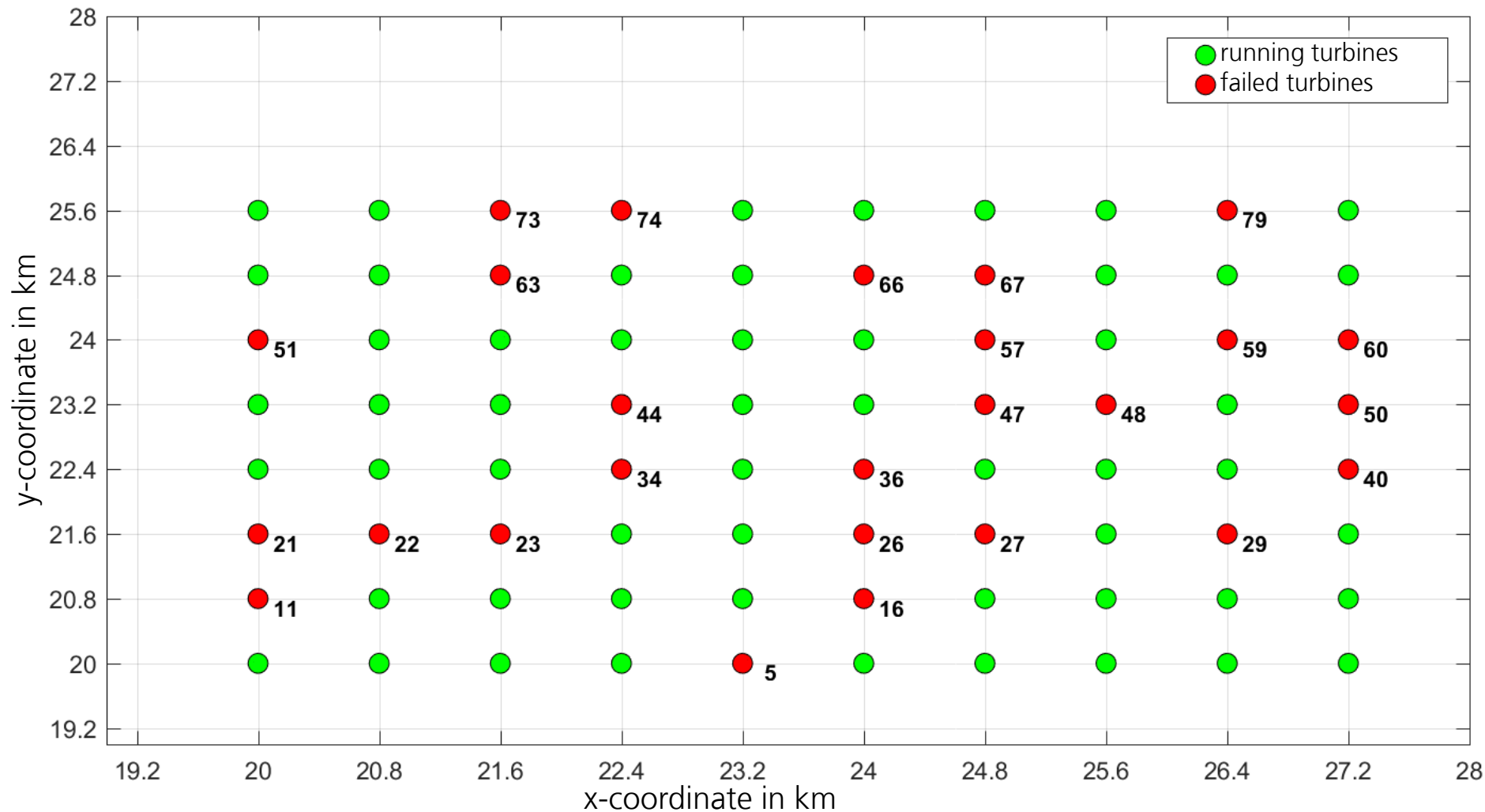
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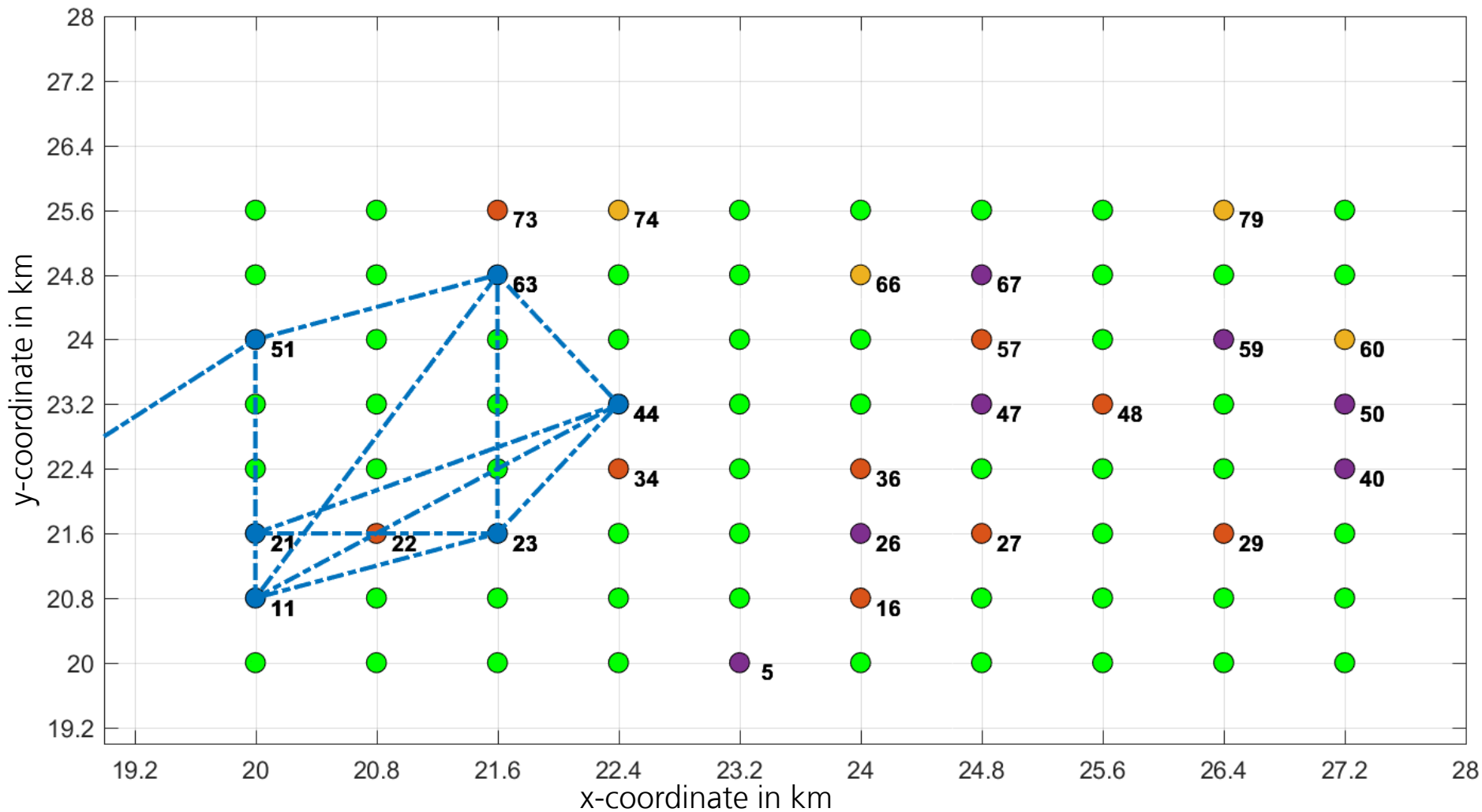
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Problem Definition – Daily Route Optimization



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State of the Art

- **Routing Algorithms:** [1] [2]
 - high computation times
- **Simulation Models:** [3] [4]
 - no optimisation
- **Reality:**
 - experience based decisions

Target Definition

- **Routing optimization** in reasonable computation time
- **Implementation in simulation model**
- **Compare logistic strategies** in case study
- **Evaluate possible improvements** (short-term/long-term)

Method - Decomposition

Downtime losses are higher than CTV fuel costs

1. Optimize Schedule

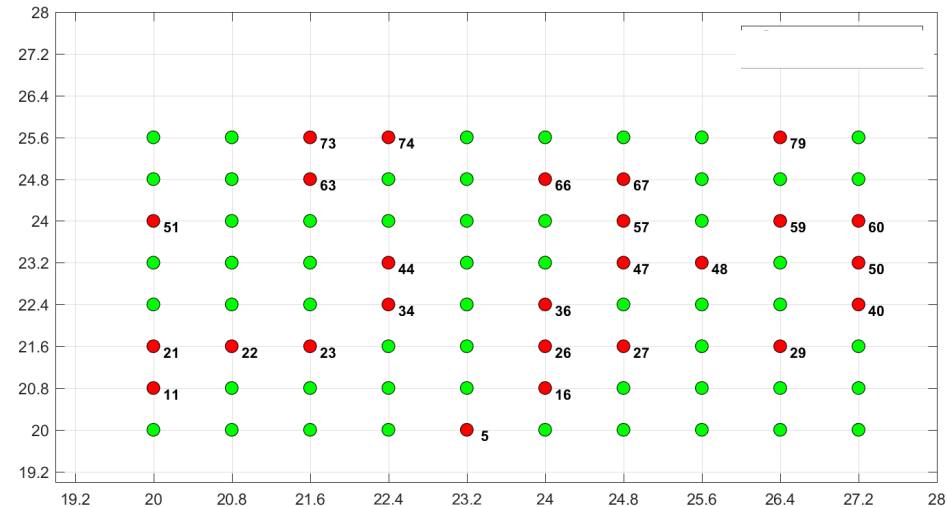
- Time-based availability
- Energy losses

2. Optimize Routes

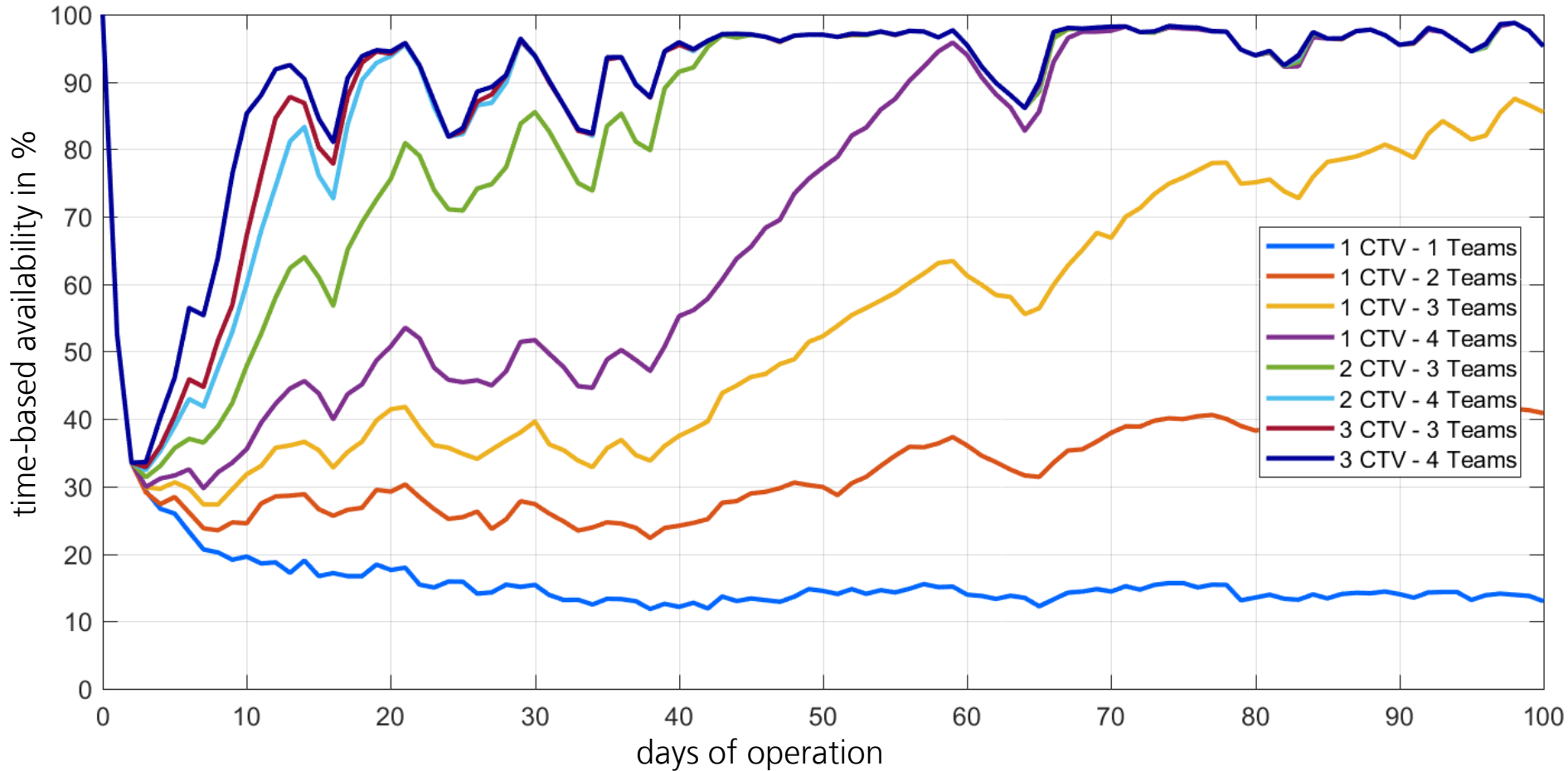
- Travelled distance CTVs
- Fuel costs

Case Study – 8 Logistic Strategies

- **Simulation period:** 20 years
- **Windfarm:** 80 turbines
- **CTVs:** 1-3 CTVs
- **Teams per CTV:** 1-4 Teams

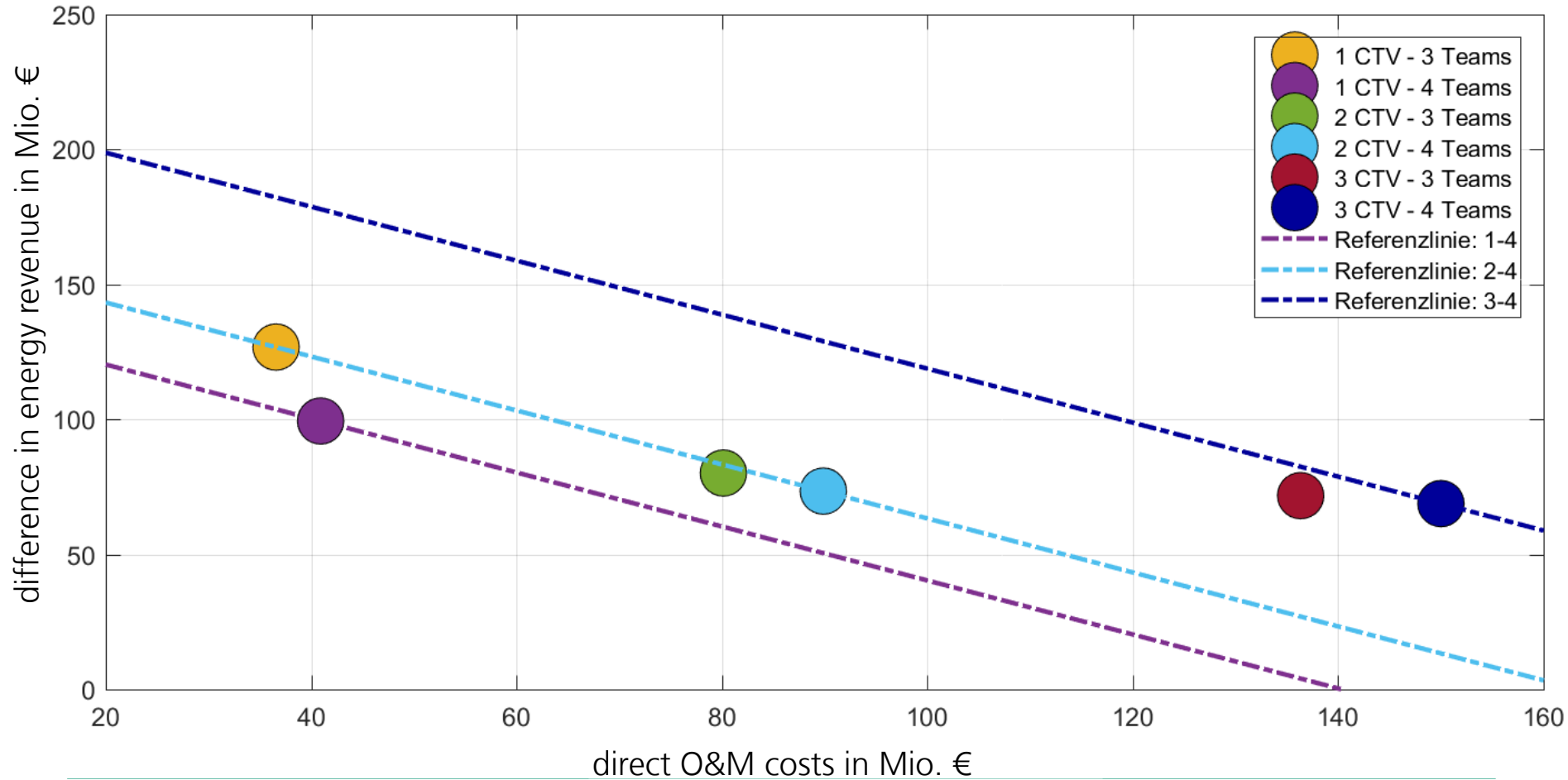


Results – Time-Based Availability



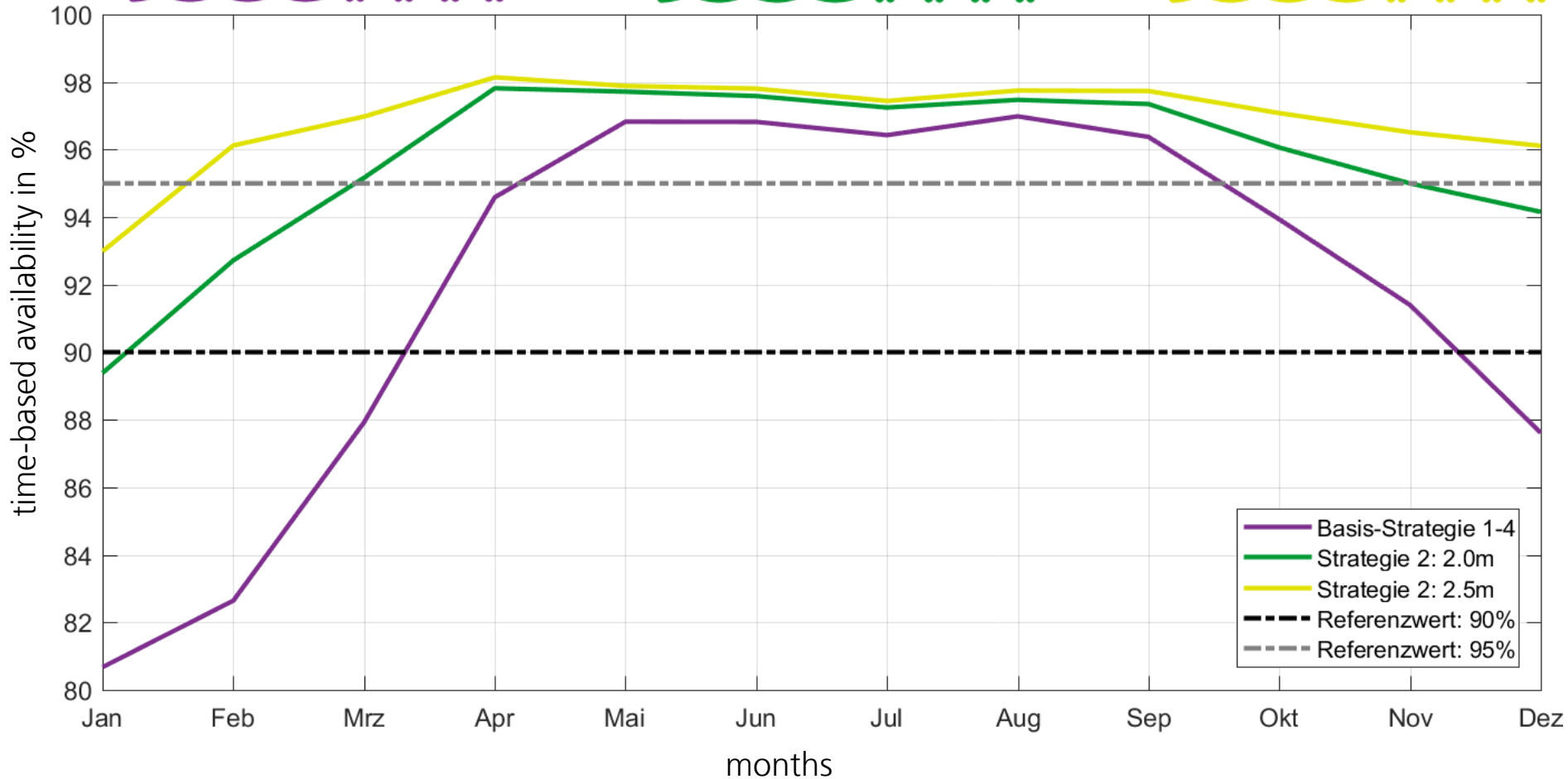
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Results – Cost Comparison



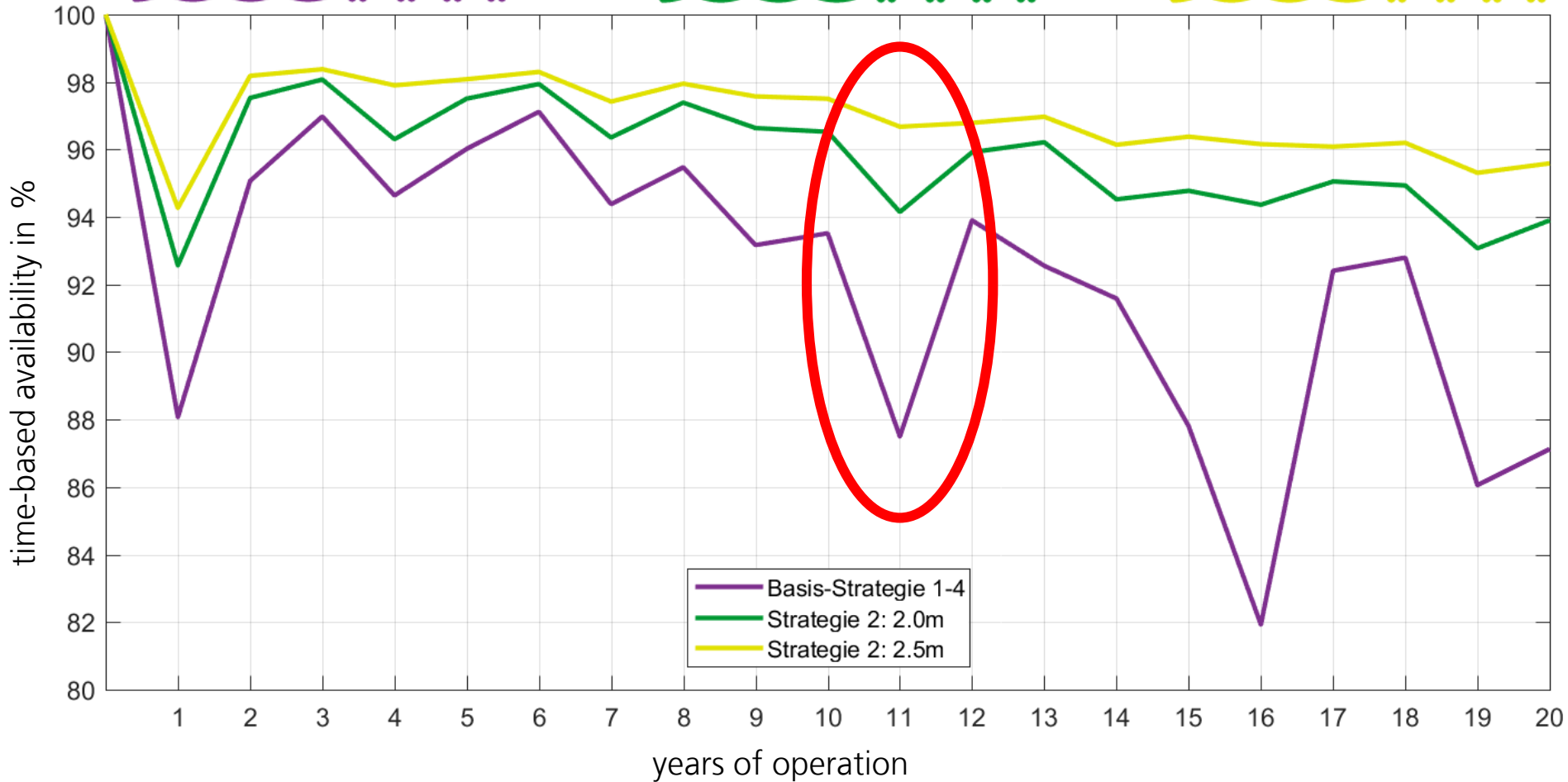
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Improved Strategy – Seasonal Behavior



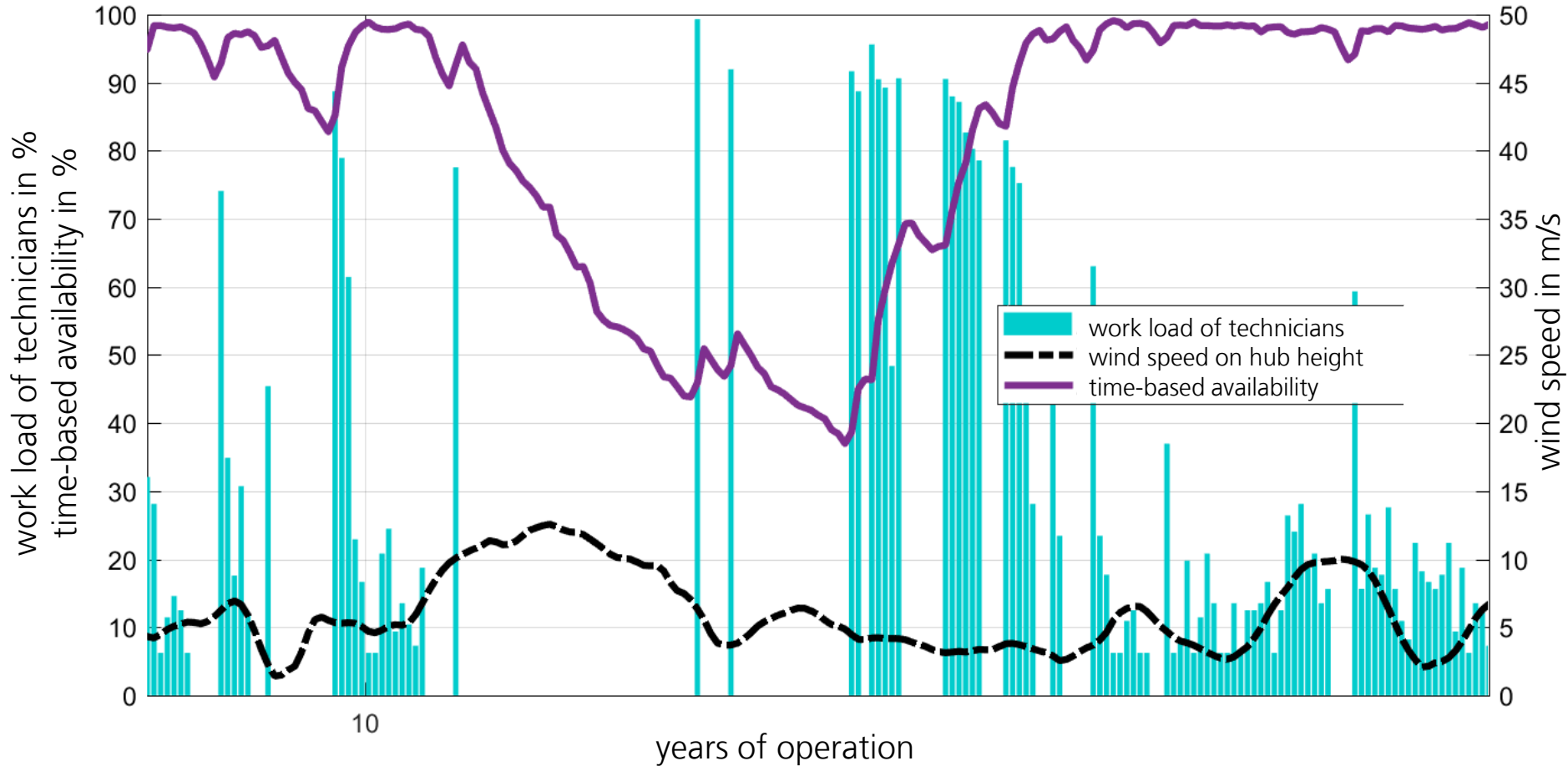
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Improved Strategy – 20 Years Behavior



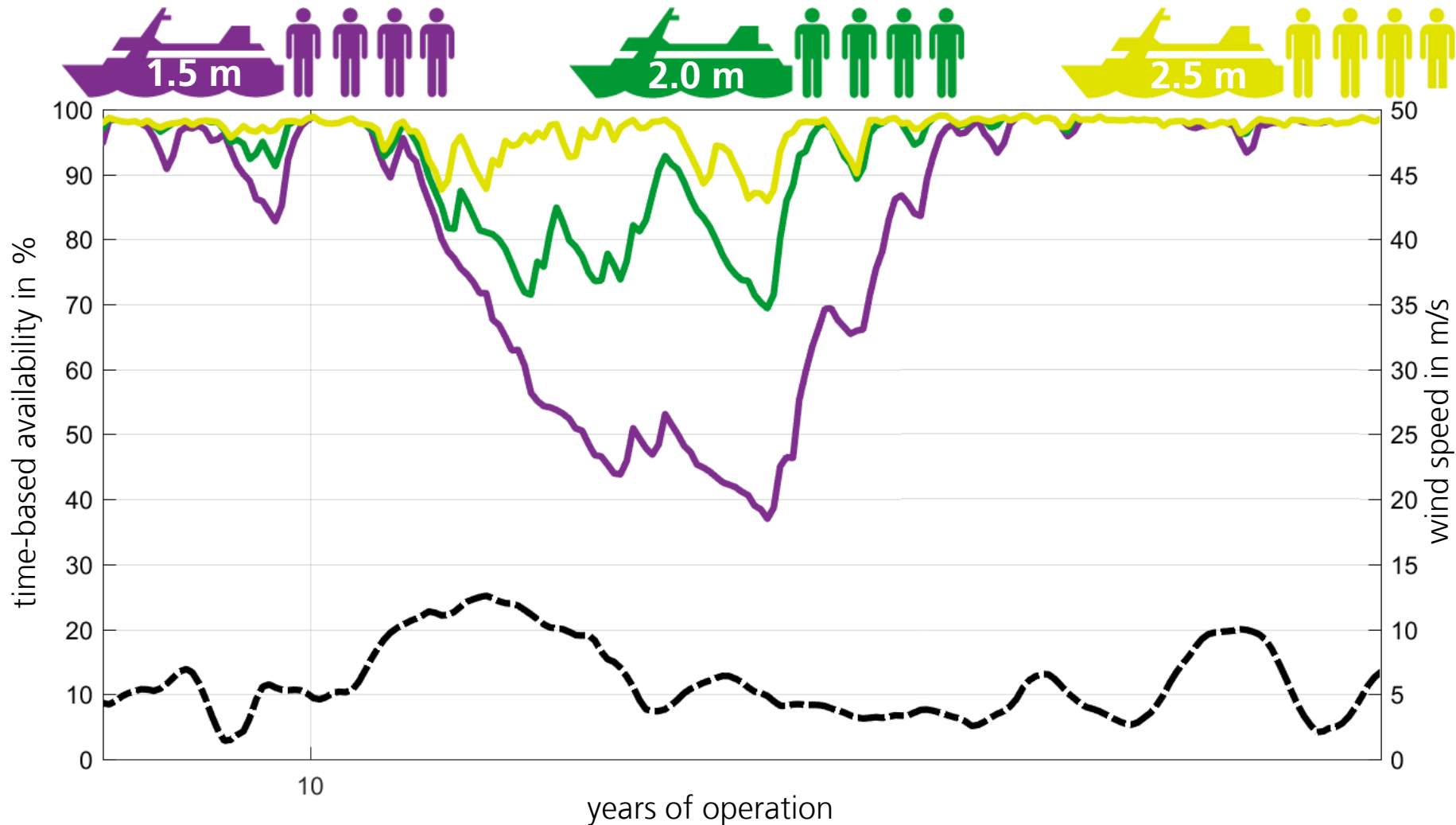
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Detailed Evaluation – Winter Storm



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Conclusions

- **Route optimization + simulation model**
 - decomposition, optimization rules, iterative calculations
 - computation times: 1h – 1day for 20 years simulation
- **Comparison of logistic strategies**
 - in terms of costs, time-based availability, energy output, work load...
- **Detailed analysis**
 - short-term strategy improvements



Thank You For Your Attention

Any questions?

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