

What can Science Provide for Hydrogen Impementation

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Hydrogen in the Energy Transition

Energy transition

Scope

Targets

Timeline

Constraints and Implications

Barriers (from incumbents' resistance via markets and regulations down to technologies)

Hydrogen

Generation Technologies

Transmission & Distribution and Storage Technologies

Application Technologies

Hydrogen Safety

Hydrogen Energy Pathways w/r to efficiency and cost

Hydrogen Markets @ Entry Level, Penetration Level and

Hydrogen Energy Services

Business and Citizen Participation Models

Phase-in into Industry 4.0 and Extend to Energy 4.0


Hydrogen as a tradeable commodity for sector coupling

Economic and quantitative constraints

Barriers

Introductory Remarks

- The simplest applicable energy pathways will in most cases turn out to be the most efficient, effective and cost effective

 - 1. Direct use of power
 - 2. Storage in batteries
 - 3. **Hydrogen storage**
 - 4. Methane storage
 - 5. Liquid fuel production
-  Decreasing efficiency
- Power to chem comes in parallel
 - Quantitative storage requirements will probably be much higher than we anticipate today
 - All of the above mentioned storage options will be needed, owing to the limited applicability of the easier ones (e.g. liquid jet fuel for aviation)
 - The complete energy chain needs to be considered for future decisions
 - **Energy security requires large amounts of storage – as we have implemented today**

Hydrogen Relevant Specifics of the Energy Transition

Ramifications of the Energy Transition

- After the transition period energy should **not** be **more expensive** than today
- **Limited emissions** shall be reduced
- Electricity, fuels and heat must be available at **high reliability**
- **All energy sectors need to be addressed to achieve these goals**
- **Hydrogen is required for sector coupling**
- Teratogenic, carcinogenic and poisonous substances shall be avoided
- Radiative forcing to be considered (e.g. methane > 20) for new energy pathways
- **Spatial restrictions** in installing renewable energy compel high efficiency of energy pathways
- Dichotomy between a **very distributed** (e.g. household PV) vs. **very centralized** system (off-shore wind farms and coastal on-shore wind power generation)
- Long-term storage for providing
 - Energy security
 - Back-up for sustained low energy input, i.e. **Flaute** of >14days
 - **“90 day” or so energy reserve** for critical areas, e.g. transportation
 - Shifting seasonal energy overproduction

The Saga of Rising Fuel Prices

If the Energy Transition is successful in some major countries

- **Conventional fuel prices will drop** toward their marginal production cost until a new price level is established; US\$5/barrel can be assumed the lowest marginal cost (Saudi Arabia)
- **Finally** that price level will decide over new **explorations** which might **taper off**
- Only **then oil prices might skyrocket**

- => **high incumbent market forces to be expected if no counter measures taken**

R&D for effective materials, components and systems at low cost is crucial

Creating an RE Market

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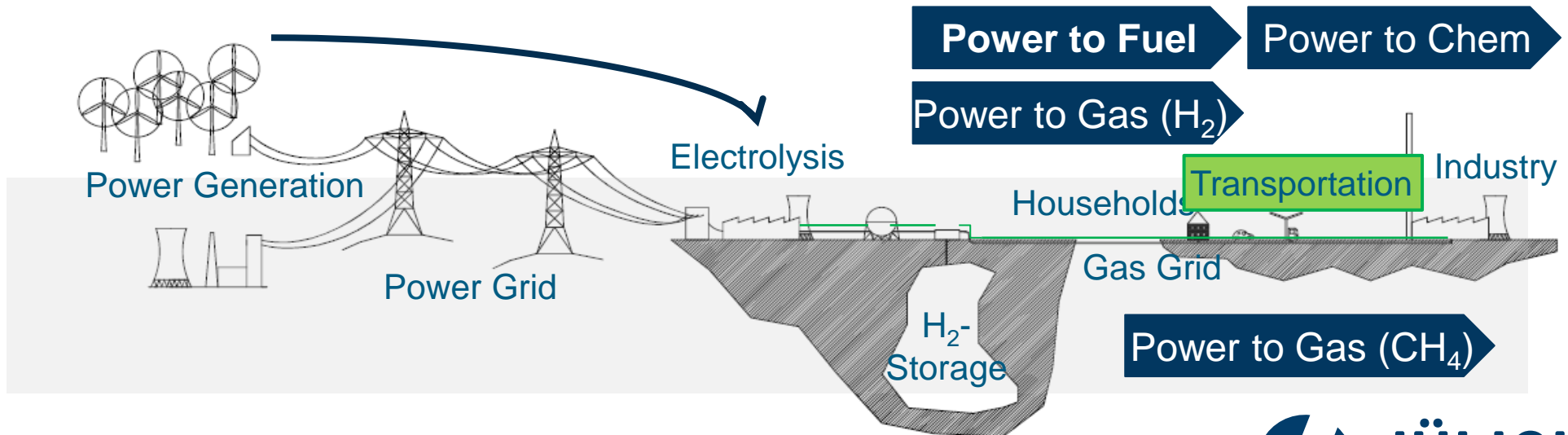
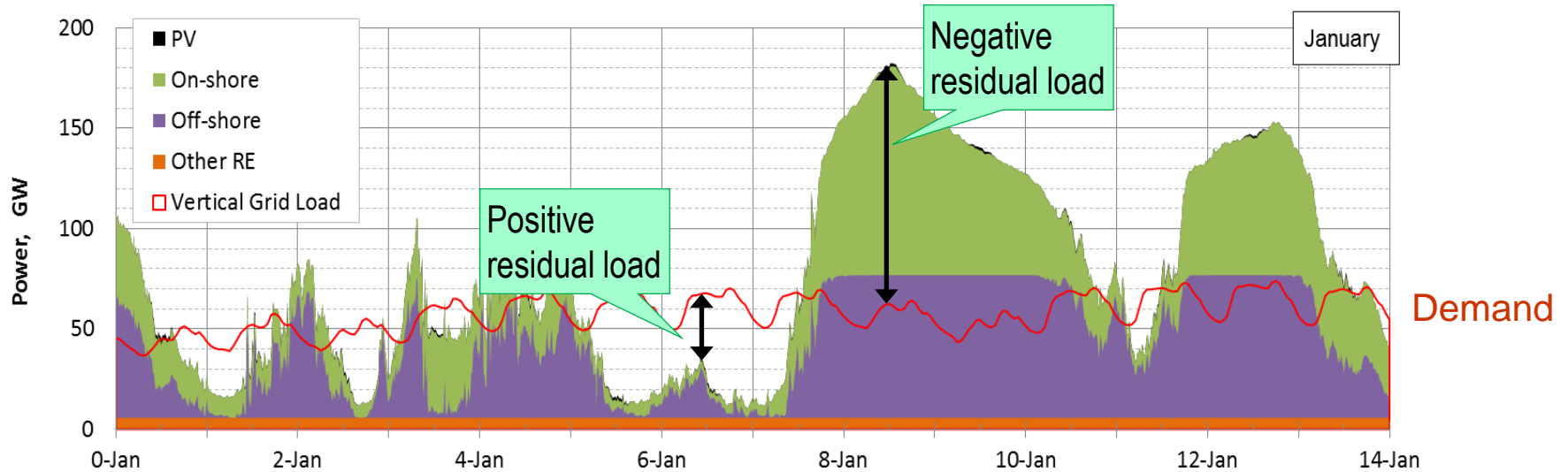
Hydrogen as a tradeable commodity for sector coupling

Interdisciplinary research on business models, legal barriers, digitization and energy technologies is required

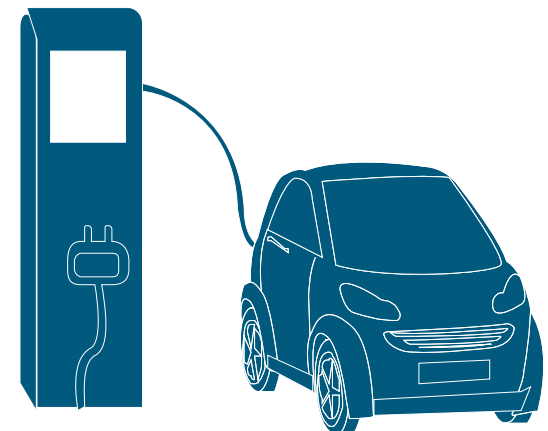
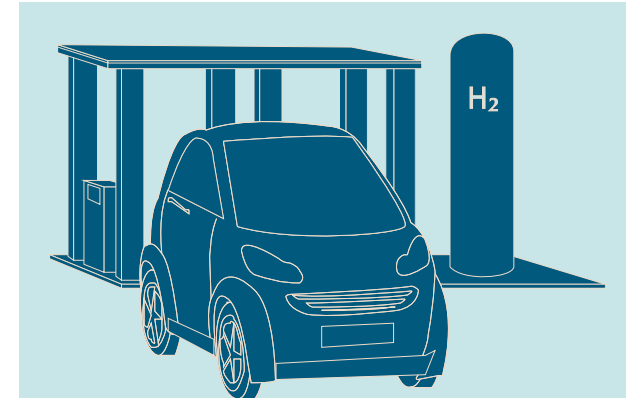
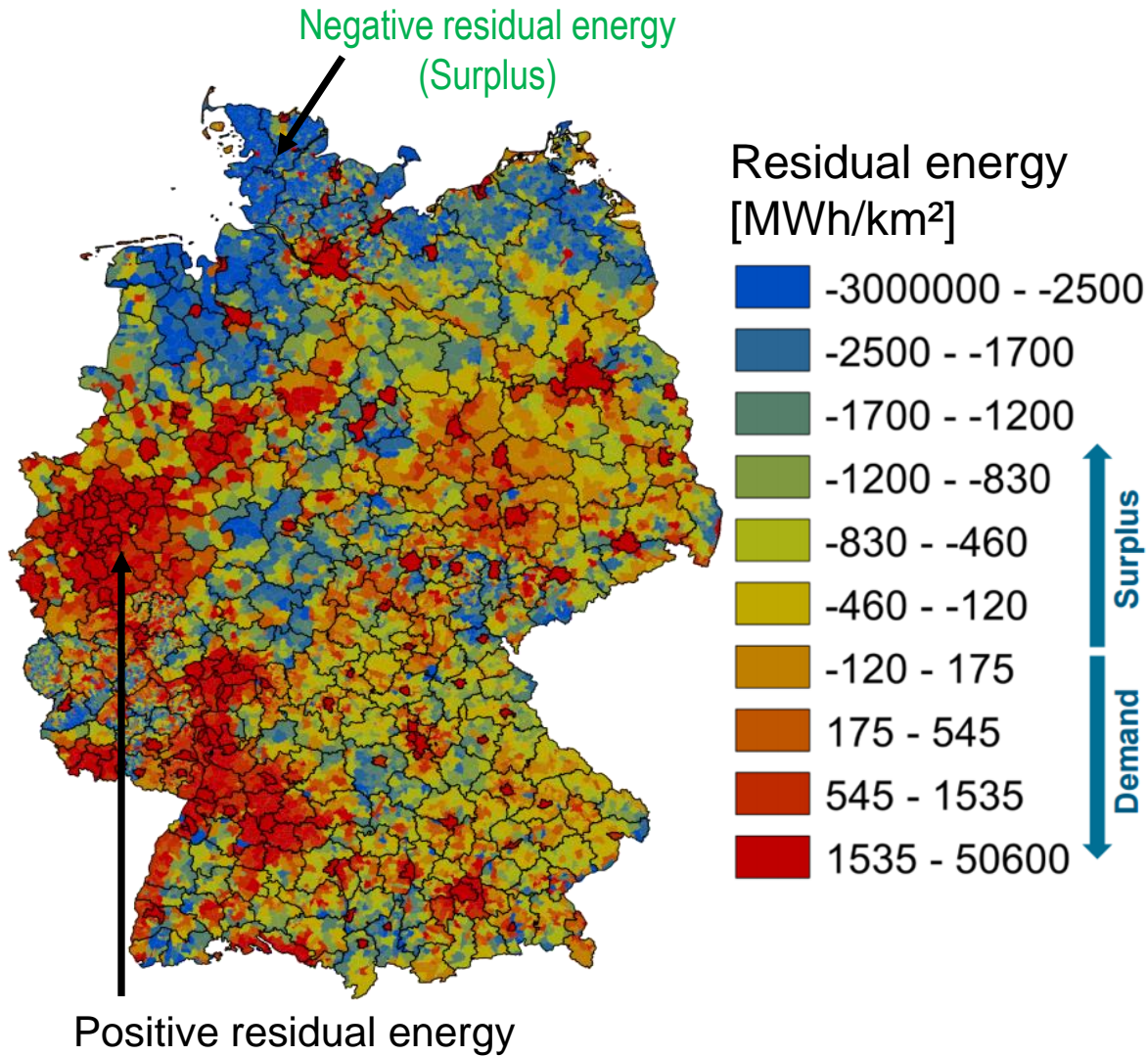
Business models will partly be technology inspired and technological developments will inspire new business models

Hydrogen in the Energy System

Excess Power is Inherent to Renewable Power Generation

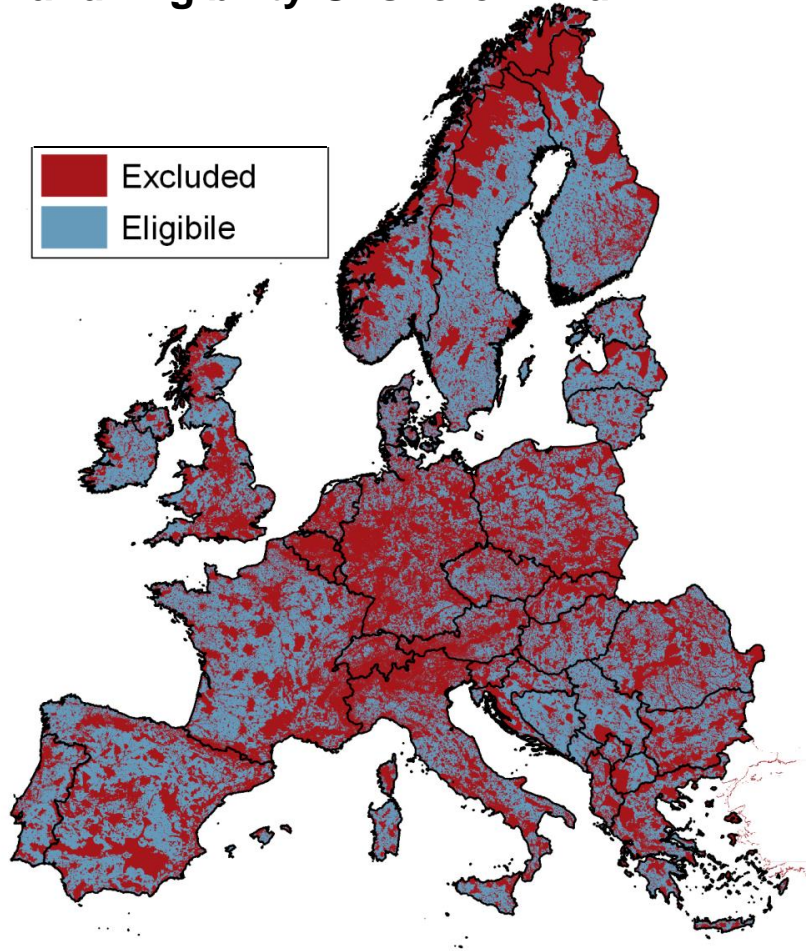


Linking the Power and the Transport Sector



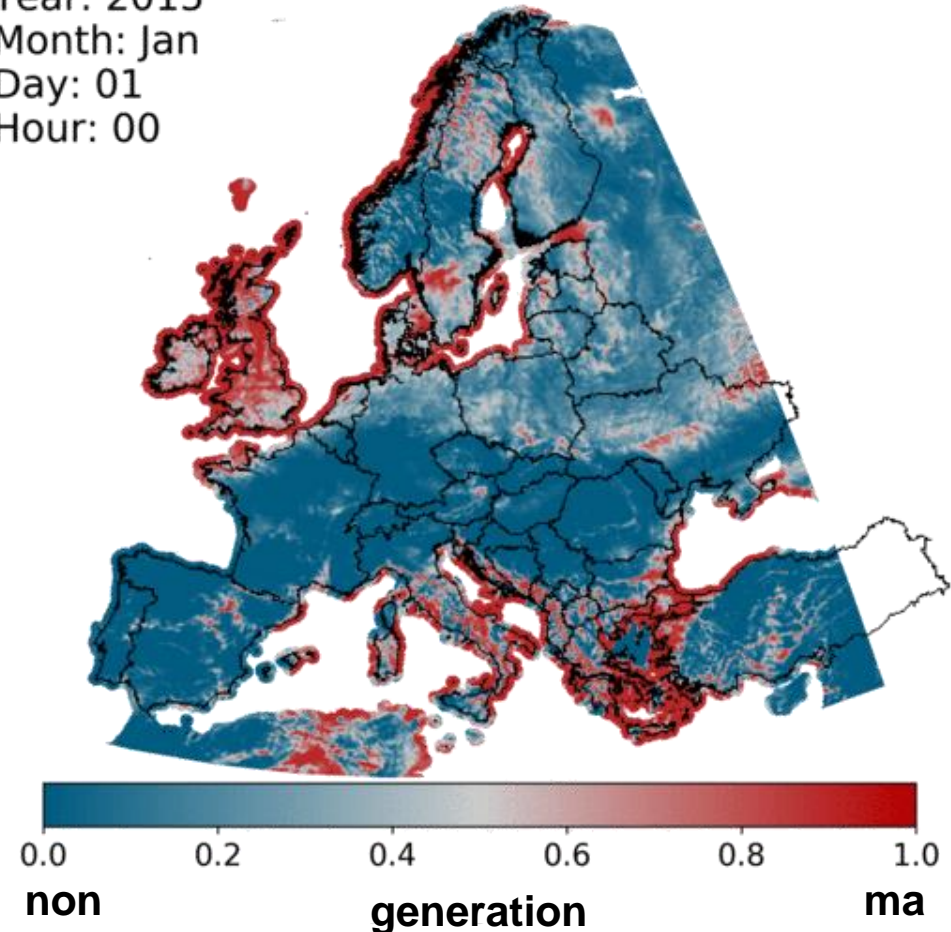
Case in Point: Wind Power Generation in Europe

Land Eligibility Onshore Wind



Resulting wind electricity generation in Europe

Year: 2015
Month: Jan
Day: 01
Hour: 00



Central Europe emerges as a pretty homogenous climate region
=> storage rather than power transport needed to secure energy supply

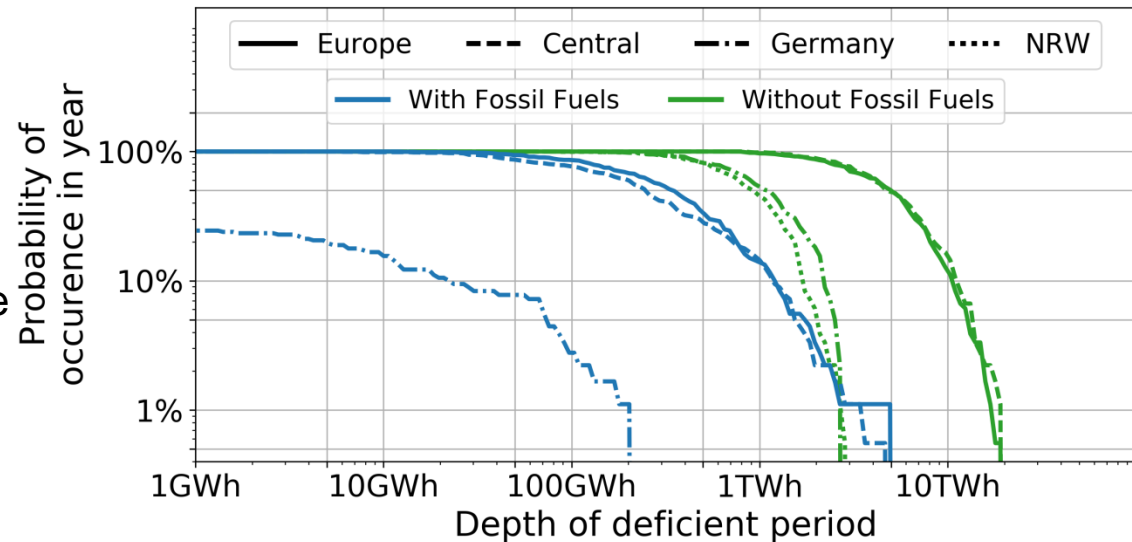
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Dunkelflaute Investigation: VRES vs. Demand

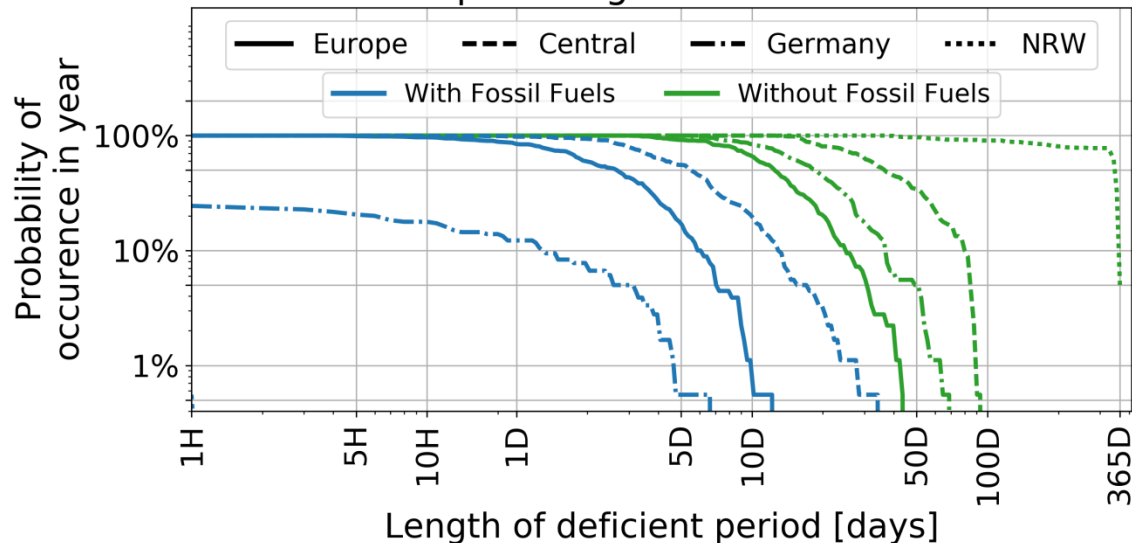
- Without fossil fuels...
 - 72 hour flaute is guaranteed**
 - NRW full-year-flaute in 5.0% of years
- With fossil fuels...
 - NRW and Germany observe no flaute in 99.4% and 75.6% of years
- ~10x increase** in flaute spans and deficits by adding grid dynamics
 - Depends on allowed occurrence
- Central region shown to have the longest flaute spans
- Central and Europe have similar deficits

	Maximal flaute size in days and TWh			
	w/ Fossil	w/o Fossil	Span	Deficit
NRW	1 Hr	<0.001	>365	2.8
Germany	6.6	0.20	68.7	2.7
Central	34.2	4.6	93.1	19.1
Europe	12.2	4.9	43.6	19.1

Flaute Deficits: With Power Flow



Flaute Span Lengths: With Power Flow

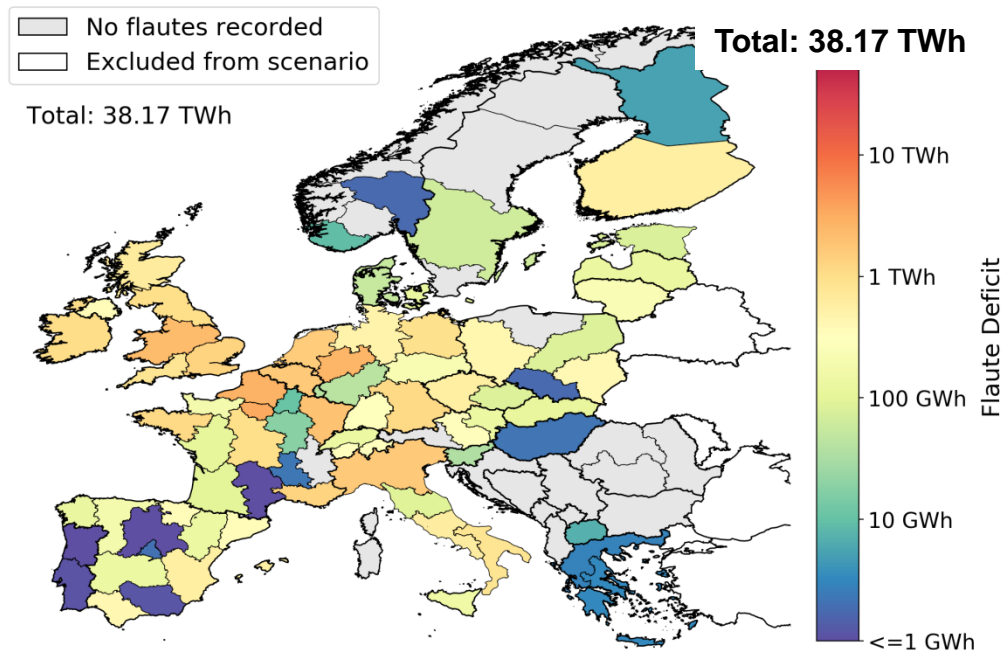


Dunkelflaute Investigation: Regional Overview With Grid Dynamics

- Even with fossil fuels, **Paris** is within a full-year-flaute for 6.7% of years
- If all regions supply their own storage, 'worst case' storage requirement rises to **8.89 TWh** with fossil fuels, and **38.2 TWh** without
- Countries with the highest need for storage: **United Kingdom** (3.65 TWh with f.f. / 6.48 TWh without f.f.), **France** (3.33 / 12.0), and **Germany** (0.26 / 5.77)
- Largest flaute found in different years for different regions (**no clear trend**)

Max Flaute Deficit Without Fossil ($\geq 1\%$ occurrence)

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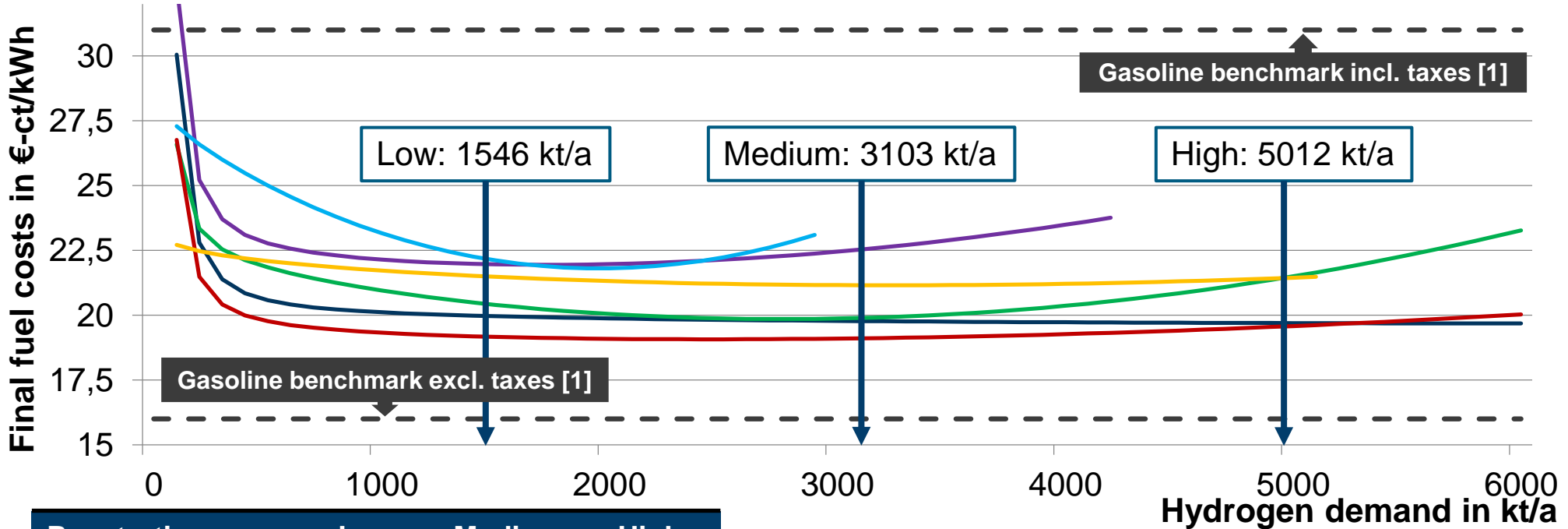
International Perspective of Hydrogen from Wind Power



Production
(Onshore wind, electrolysis)

Transport
(Pipeline, ship, truck)

Provision
(Fueling station)



Penetration	Low	Medium	High
Car / LDV / HDV*	25%	50%	75%
Local bus	30%	60%	95%
Local diesel train	50%	75%	95%
Forklift	30%	60%	95%

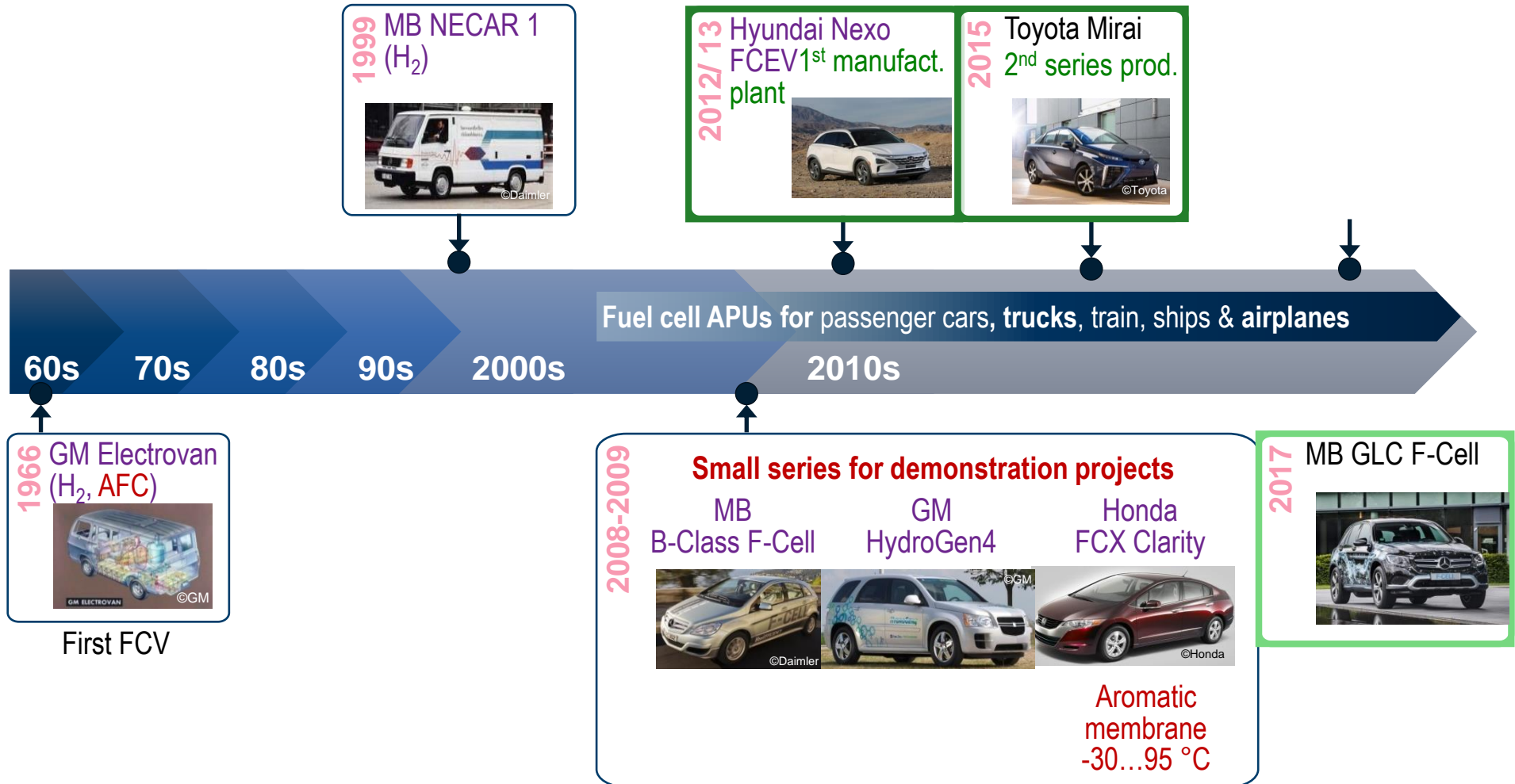
Hydrogen source regions

- Argentina
- Iceland
- United Kingdom
- Chile
- Norway
- Ireland

* LDV / HDV: Light / Heavy Duty Vehicle

Hydrogen End-use Technologies

Asian Fuel Cell Vehicles are in a Market Introduction Phase



* First fuel-cell vehicle certified by the U.S. EPA and California Air Resources Board (CARB) for commercial use

MB: Mercedes-Benz; GM: General Motors

All cars with PEFC except GM Electrovan with AFC



H2Energy Drives Use of Fuel Cell Trucks

2016: H2Energy launches hydrogen logistic in closed loop for Coop Mineraloel AG [1]:

- **Zero-emission H₂ production** at hydropower plant in Aarau
- Fuel station for 350 and 700 bar **refilling of cars and trucks**
- Demonstration of **world's first** fuel cell truck



IAA 2018 [2]:

Hyundai announces cooperation with H2Energy

- **1000 FC trucks until 2023** on swiss market
 - 350 kW traction motor, 190 kW FC
 - 32.86 kg hydrogen tank, 8.2 kg/100 km
 - ~400 km range
- 100% renewable production

[1] https://h2energy.ch/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Factsheet_Lastwagen_D.pdf/

[2] <https://insideevs.com/hyundai-launch-1000-hydrogen-trucks/>

Efficiency is Crucial w/ Renewable Power: Hydrogen Delivers on W2W Efficiency

Battery vehicle (renewable electricity)		Fuel cell vehicle (renewable electricity)	
Efficiency:	80 % x 85 % = 68 % (W2T) (T2W)	Efficiency:	63 % x 60 % = 38 % (W2T) (T2W)
Vehicle cost:	⊖⊖	Vehicle cost:	⊖⊖
Fuel production:	⊕	Fuel production:	○
Storage & distrib.:	⊖⊖⊖	Storage & distrib.:	⊕
Operating range:	low	Operating range:	medium
Resources:	sufficient	Resources:	sufficient
Soot/NOx emissions:	none	Soot/NOx emissions:	none
Combustion engine (CO ₂ -based fuels)		Combustion engine (bio-fuels)	
Efficiency:	70 % x 50 % x 25 % = 9 % (H ₂) (plant) (T2W)	Efficiency:	50 % x 25 % = 13 % (W2T) (T2W)
Vehicle cost:	⊖	Vehicle cost:	⊖
Fuel production:	⊖⊖	Fuel production:	⊖⊖
Storage & distrib.:	⊕⊕	Storage & distrib.:	⊕⊕
Operating range:	high	Operating range:	high
Resources:	sufficient	Resources:	limited
Soot/NOx emissions:	medium	Soot/NOx emissions:	medium

Today's
W2W Efficiency
≈18%
w/ combustion
engines

T2W: tank-to-wheel
W2T: well-to-tank
W2W: well-to-Wheel
W2W = total efficiency

Summary of Technologies

Hydrogen Production

PEM Electrolysis		
Property	Today	Future
η_{LHV} %	63	70
CAPEX €/kW _{el}	1500	500
<p>TRL: 7-8</p> <p>Advantages: High gas purity High load flexibility High power density</p> <p>Challenges: Platinum Group Metals as catalysts</p>		

Alkaline Electrolysis		
Property	Today	Future
η_{LHV} %	65	70
CAPEX €/kW _{el}	1000	580
<p>TRL: 9</p> <p>Advantages: No rare metals in catalysts Low specific cost Established technology</p> <p>Challenges: Requires purification</p>		

Photoelectrolysis		
Property	Today	Future
η_{LHV} %	10	18
CAPEX €/kW _{el}	2800 ¹	1200 ¹
<p>TRL: 3-4</p> <p>Advantages: Standalone system High gas purity Less power electronics</p> <p>Challenges: High capital cost Collecting hydrogen</p>		

PEM: Polymer Electrolyte Membrane **LHV:** Lower Heating Value **TRL:** Technology Readiness Level
CAPEX: Capital Expenditure **1:** PV + PV Balance of Plant + Electrolysis

Hydrogen Storage

Salt Cavern ¹		
Property	Today	Future
Density GJ/m ³	1.44	1.44
CAPEX €/kg _{H2}	9-15	6.6
<p>TRL: 8-9</p> <p>Advantages: Long term storage Low space demand Low specific cost</p> <p>Disadvantages: Geological constraints</p> <p>Projects: Clemens Dome (US) Tesside (UK)</p>		

Gaseous H ₂ Bundle		
Property	Today ²	Future ³
Density GJ/m ³	2.88	3,84
CAPEX €/kg _{H2}	800	600
<p>TRL²: 8-9</p> <p>Advantages: Long cyclic lifetime Established technology² No geological constraints</p> <p>Disadvantages: High specific cost</p> <p>Projects: London (UK) Oslo (NOR)</p>		

Liquid H ₂ Tank		
Property	Today	Future
Density GJ/m ³	8.5	8.5
CAPEX €/kg _{H2}	25	25
<p>TRL: 9</p> <p>Advantages: Long cyclic lifetime Established technology No geological constraints</p> <p>Disadvantages: Requires liquefaction</p> <p>Projects: Vancouver (CAN) London (UK)</p>		

TRL: Technology Readiness Level

CAPEX: Capital Expenditure

1: Cavern V = 500.000 m³
 P = 150 bar

2: Bundle pressure = 350 bar

3: Bundle pressure = 500 bar

Hydrogen Transport

H ₂ Pipeline		
Property	Today ¹	Future ²
Capacity t _{H₂} /h	2,4	245
CAPEX €/m	500	3400
<p>TRL: 8-9</p> <p>Advantages: High throughput capacity Low space demand Low specific cost</p> <p>Challenges: High upfront cost Re-assignment</p> <p>Projects: Leuna (DE) Texas (US)</p>		

Gaseous H ₂ Trailer		
Property	Today ³	Future ⁴
Capacity kg _{H₂}	400	1100
CAPEX €/kg _{H₂}	500	600
<p>TRL³: 9</p> <p>Advantages: No liquefaction required Low investment cost Established technology³</p> <p>Challenges: Low transport capacity</p> <p>Projects: London (UK) Oslo (NOR)</p>		

Liquid H ₂ Trailer		
Property	Today	Future
Capacity kg _{H₂}	4300	4300
CAPEX €/kg _{H₂}	200	200
<p>TRL: 9</p> <p>Advantages: Low investment cost High transport capacity Established technology</p> <p>Challenges: Requires liquefaction</p> <p>Projects: Vancouver (CAN) London (UK)</p>		

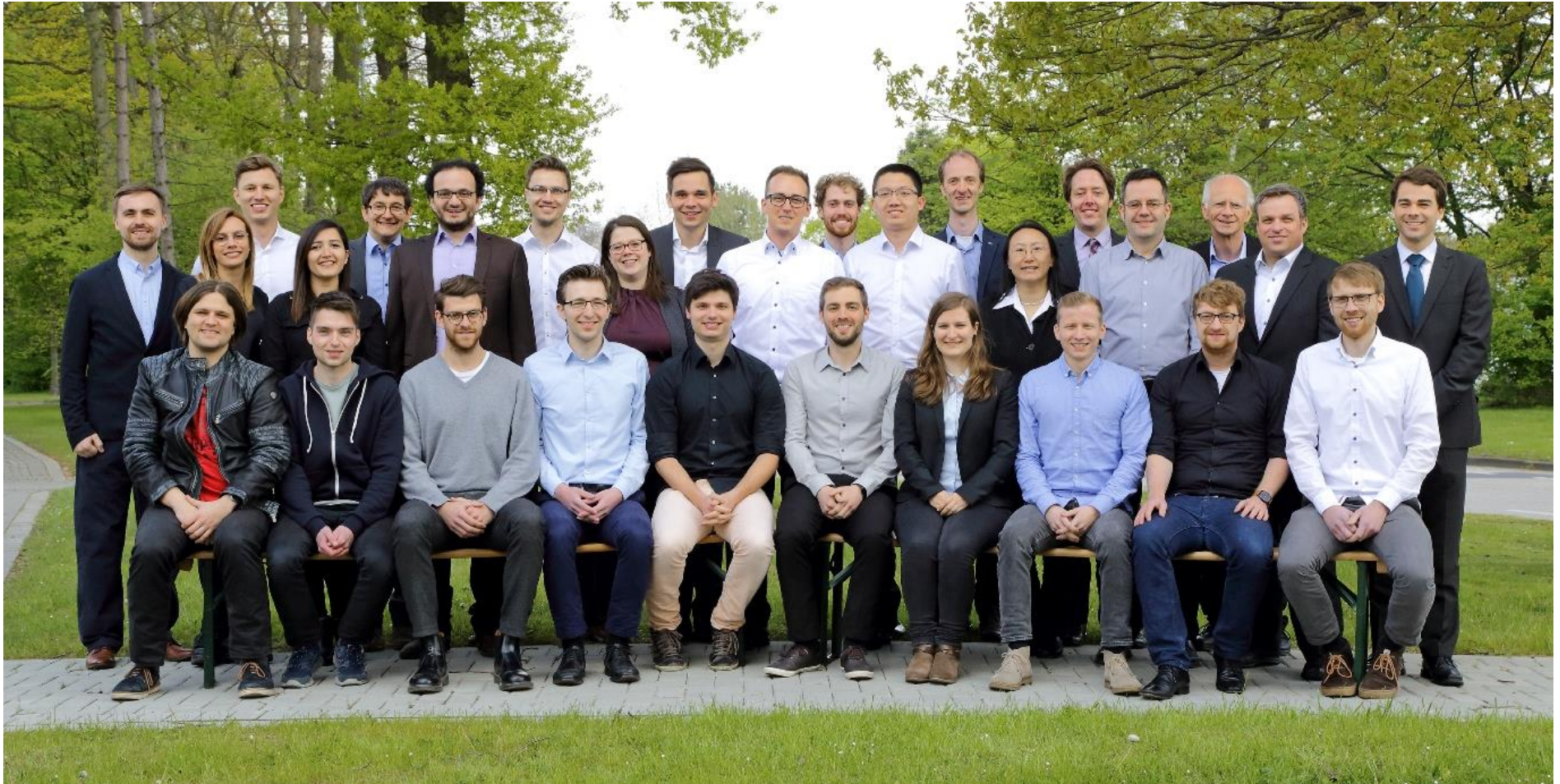
TRL: Technology Readiness Level

CAPEX: Capital Expenditure

1: Pipeline diameter = 100 mm **3:** Trailer pressure = 200 bar

2: Pipeline diameter = 1000 mm **4:** Trailer pressure = 500 bar

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