

# Rolle chemischer Speicher für die Energiewende

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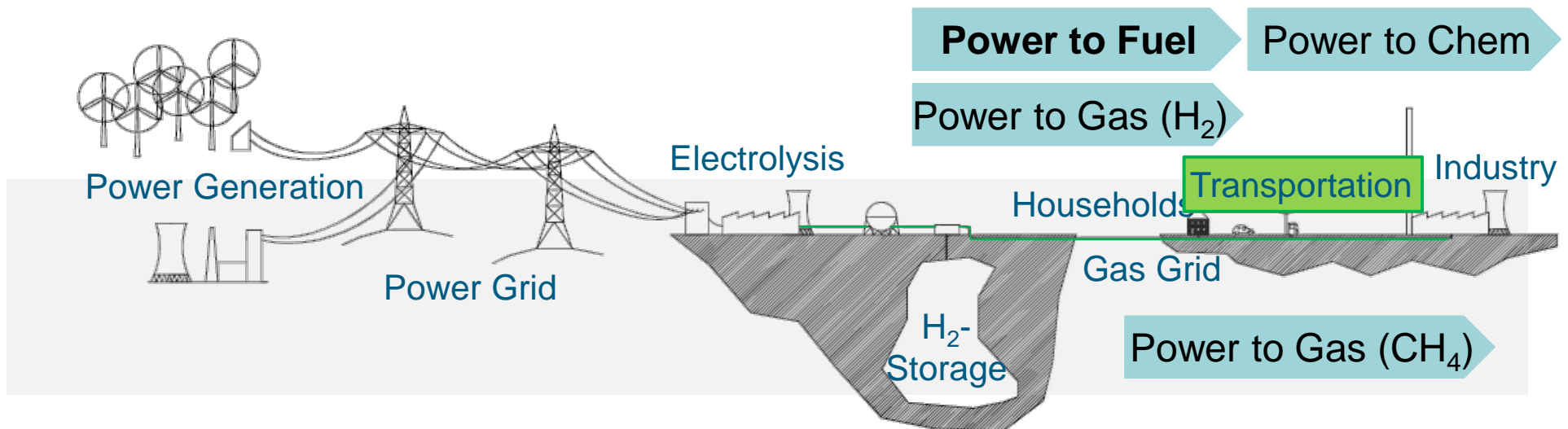
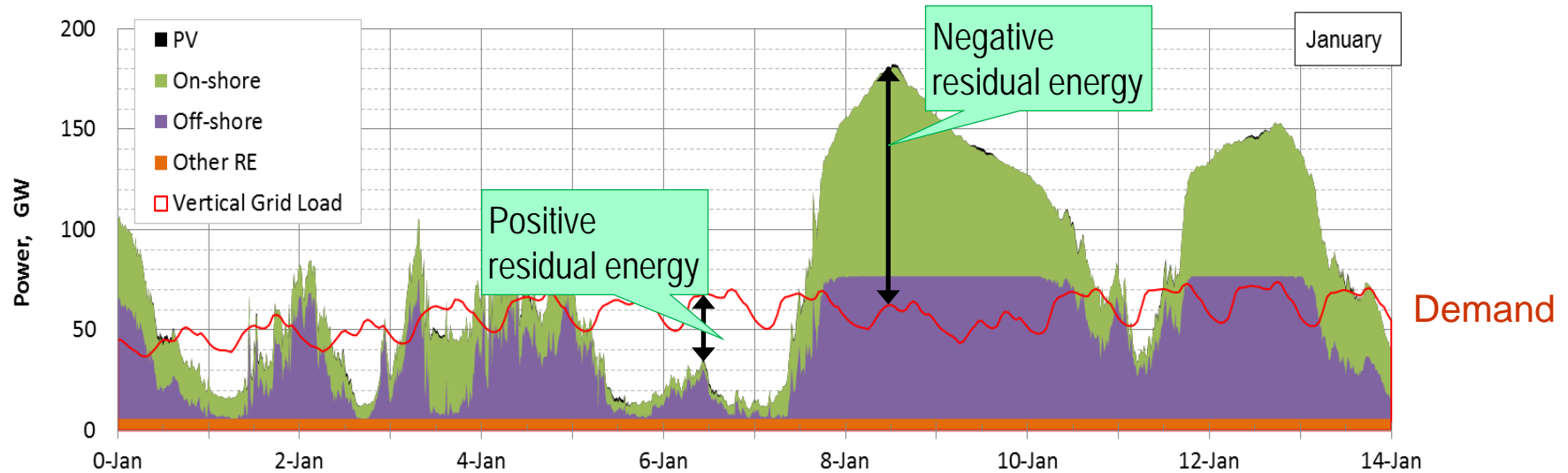
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# Excess Power is Inherent to Renewable Power Generation



# Overcapacity in Power is Inherent for Fully Renewable Energy Supply

renewable power needed = **capacity factor** x average power demand

- Averaged power demand for Germany: ~ 60GW (80 GW max)
  - Capacity factor for full renewable power supply
    - Onshore wind → 4.4 based on 2,000 full load hrs
    - Offshore wind → 2.2 based on 4,000 full load hrs
- } @ no losses for reconversion considered

→ **Installed renewable power exceeds power demand on a regular basis**

→ Counteracting measures are

→ Curtailment

→ Interconnection of different climate zones

→ Introduction of new sinks

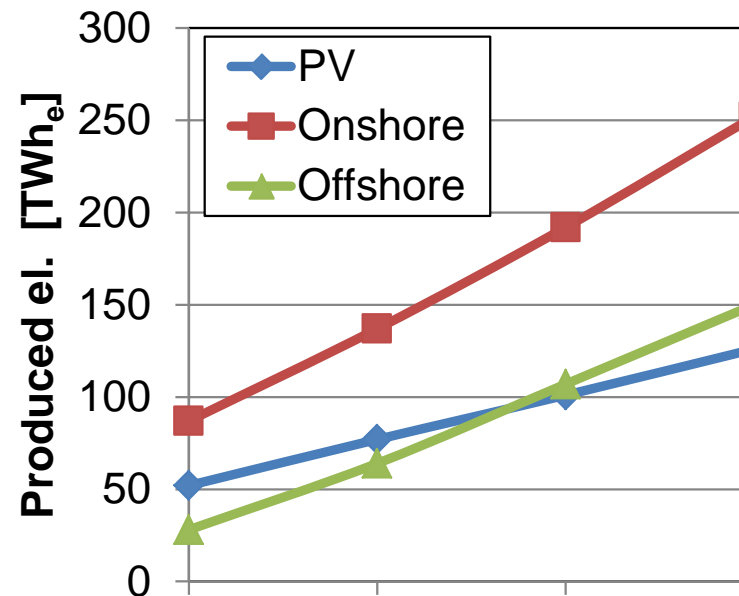
▪ Storage

- Electrolysis
- Power to heat
- Mechanical sinks like hydropower, flywheels etc.

▪ Sector coupling

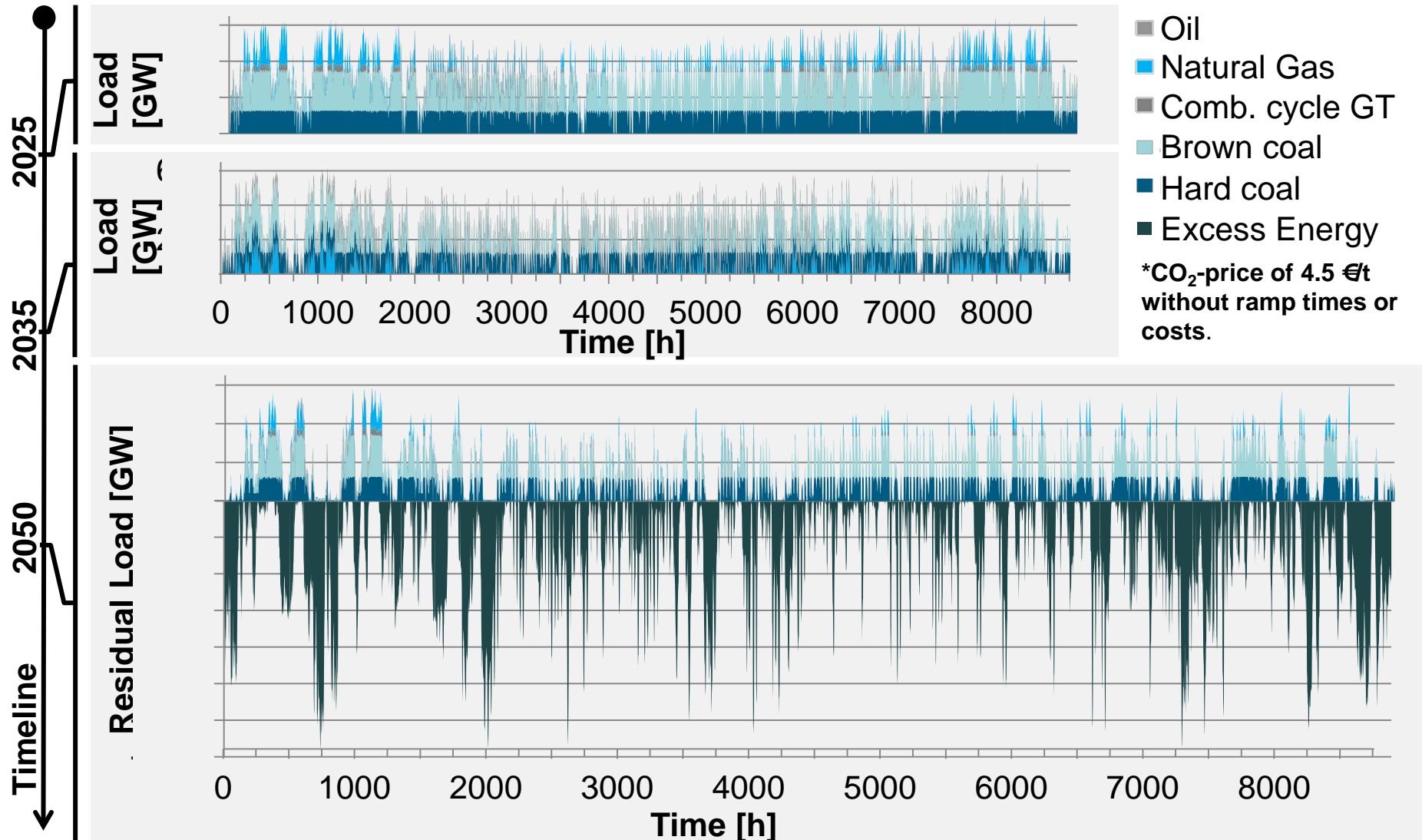
- Transport (batteries, hydrogen, power-to-fuel)
- Industry

# Development of Renewables According to Current German Policy



		2020	2030	2040	2050
Peak excess power*	GW <sub>e</sub>	22	55	90	125
Excess energy*	TWh <sub>e</sub>	2,5	30	100	200
<u>Minimum</u> storage size**	TWh	0,9	6	12	17

# Example of the Effect of an Increasing Share of Renewable Energy on the Residual Load based on Real Weather Data



Installed capacity regarding to [1] Übertragungsnetzbetreiber (2015): Netzentwicklungsplan Strom 2025  
 [2] Bartels, S (2016): Simulationsmodell regional aufgelöster Residuallasten in Deutschland, Masterthesis  
 [3] Robinius, M. (2016): Strom- und Gasmarktdesign zur Versorgung des deutschen Straßenverkehrs mit Wasserstoff.

# Installed Capacities and Electricity Supply of German Energy Scenarios achieving $\geq 80\%$ CO<sub>2</sub> Reduction across all Energy Sectors\*\*\*

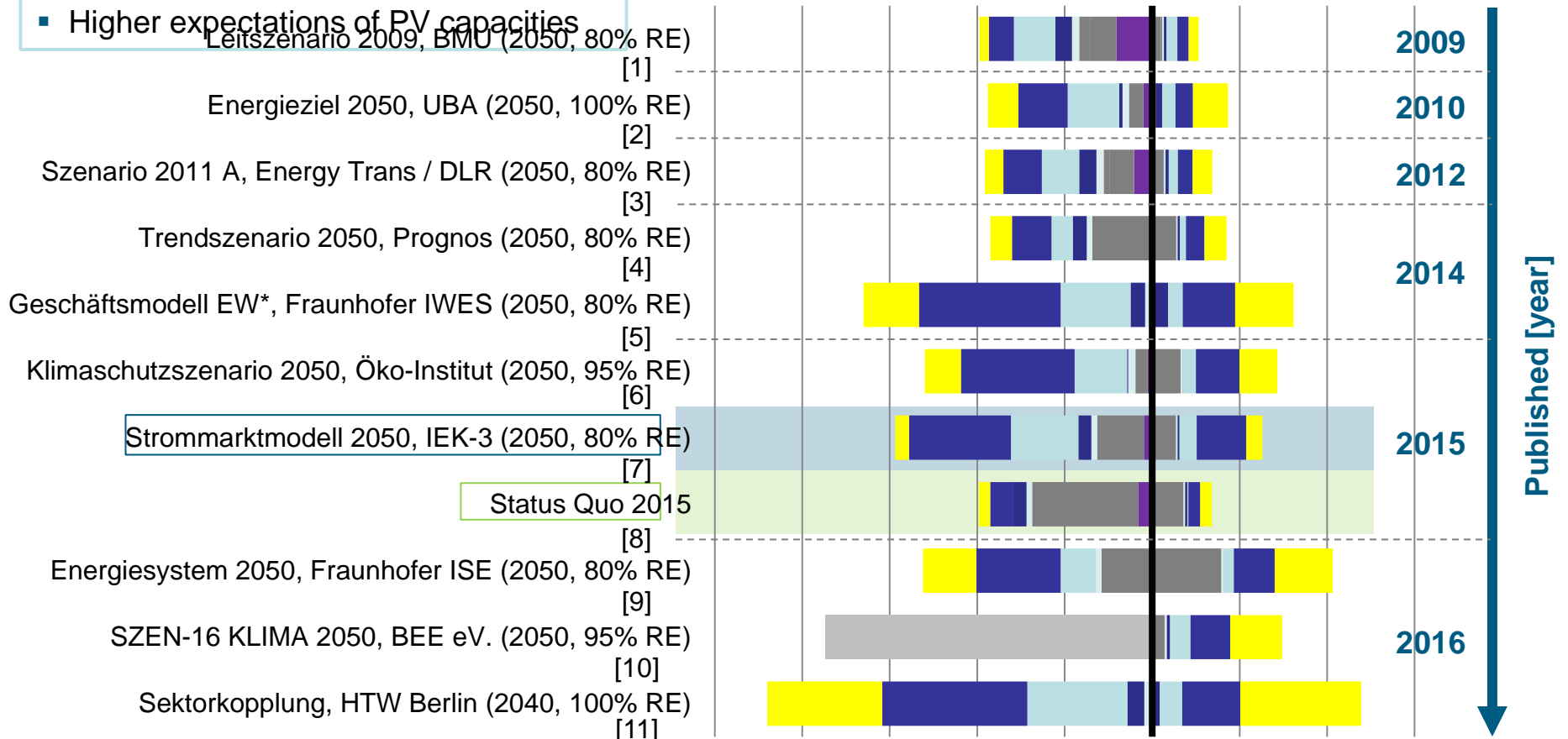
- Sum
- Others (FF\*\*, Other RE, Storage Cap.)
- Hydropower
- Wind (Offshore)

- Import
- Geothermics
- Bioenergy
- Wind (Onshore)

## General Trends:

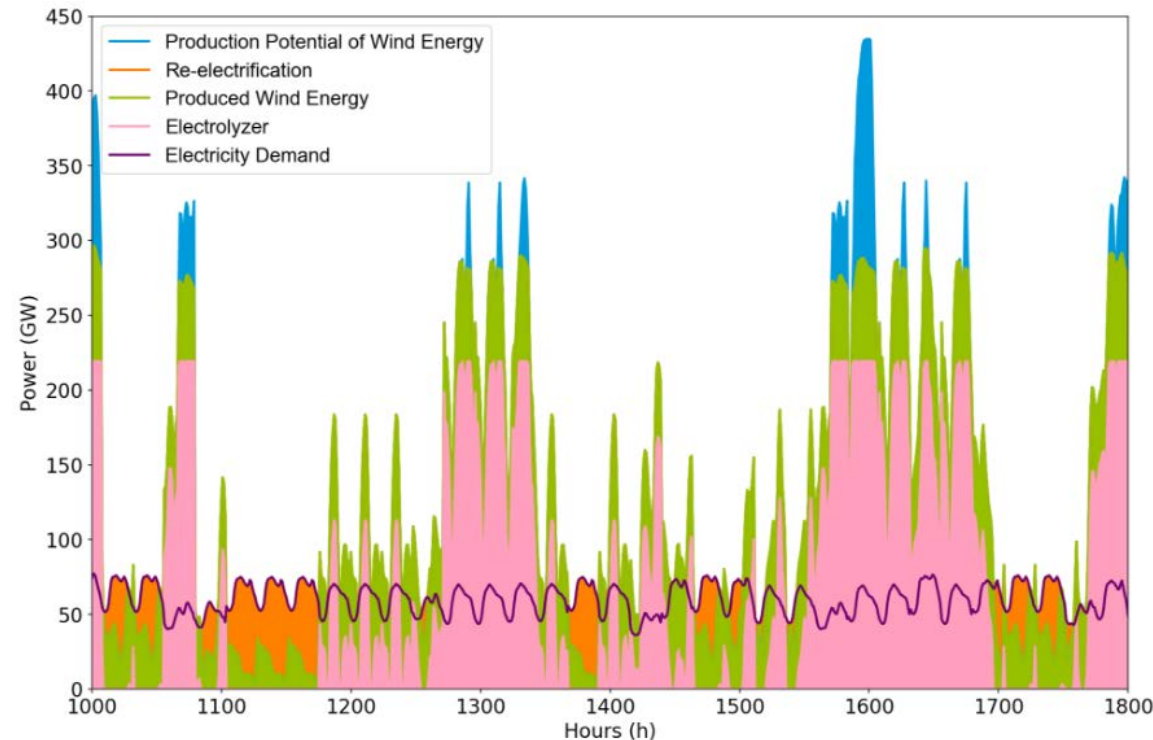
- Higher expectations of future el. demand
- Higher expectations of PV capacities

**Electricity Supply [TWh/year] | Installed Capacities [GW]**  
 1.500 1.200 900 600 300 0 300 600 900



# Schematic of a Potential Renewable Energy System

- Potential of Wind Energy → Before curtailment
  - Maximum amount of energy that we can produce if we operate **all** wind turbines
- Produced Wind Energy → Actual amount of energy that is produced
  - Part of this energy is used to supply the electricity demand
  - Remaining is used in electrolyzer to produce hydrogen
- When the amount of produced wind energy is less than the demand → Re-electrification



# Overcapacity in Power is Inherent for Full Renewable Energy Supply

$$\text{Capacity factor} = \frac{\text{energy harvested}}{\text{nameplate harvest}}$$

Average power demand for Germany: ~ 60 GW (based on **528 TWh** grid electricity)

	Capacity factor	Necessary Power, if just one Technology is applied	Reasonable power mix DE 2050 (DE gov. Installation plans extrapolated)	Reasonable electricity mix DE 2050	Electricity to be converted to H <sub>2</sub> (serving 75% of passenger vehicles in DE)
Offshore wind	0.46	120 GW	59 GW	236 TWh	
Onshore wind	0.23	230 GW	132 GW	267 TWh	
PV	0.12	460 GW	120 GW	126 TWh	
Total	-----	-----	311 GW	<b>629 TWh</b>	101 TWh ( <b>2,1 mt H<sub>2</sub></b> )
Untimely produced electricity				≈ 200 TWh (to be stored)	
CO <sub>2</sub> cut Ø 80%				90% (10% power by NG)	54% of passenger cars



# Issues of Integrating Renewables into the Power Grid

## Just replacing the power production of fossils by renewables cannot work because

- Renewable energy is inherently subject to strong fluctuations
  - Day/night shifts
  - Weather
  - Seasons
- Renewable energy is more site dependent for its low energy density
  - Photovoltaics is very distributed
  - Offshore wind power will be much more centralized than conventional power plants

# Drivers for Storing Intermittent Renewable Energy

## Grid Stabilization

- Primary control (currently covered by inertia of power plant generators, seconds, minutes)
- Secondary control (on-demand power on a 15 minutes basis)
- Tertiary control (purchase of traded power on the markets)
- Cost reduction

## Utilization of Renewable Power

- Low energy density → spatial restrictions
- Reduction of curtailment
- Seasonal levelling of renewable energy input
- Optimization criterion is overall cost reduction

# Disjunction of Power and Energy

## – Economic Aspects

### 1. Power and energy scales together

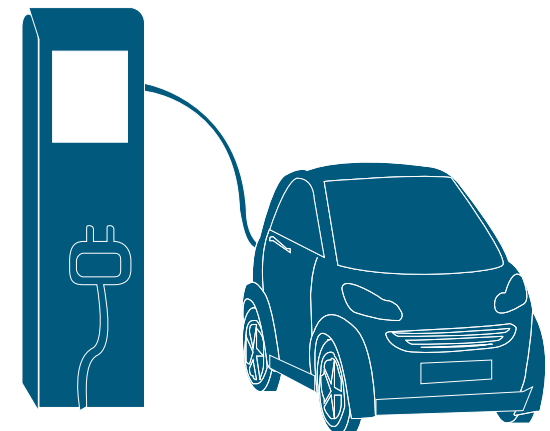
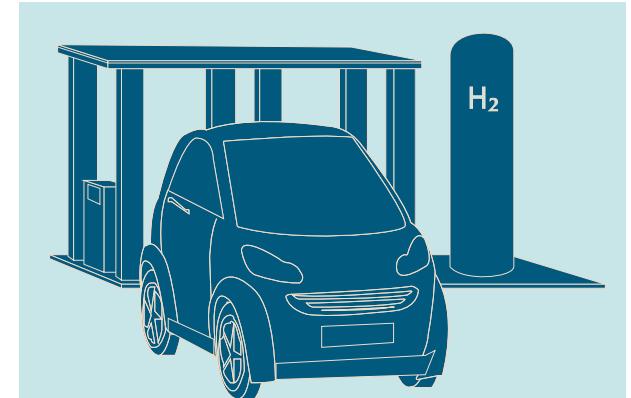
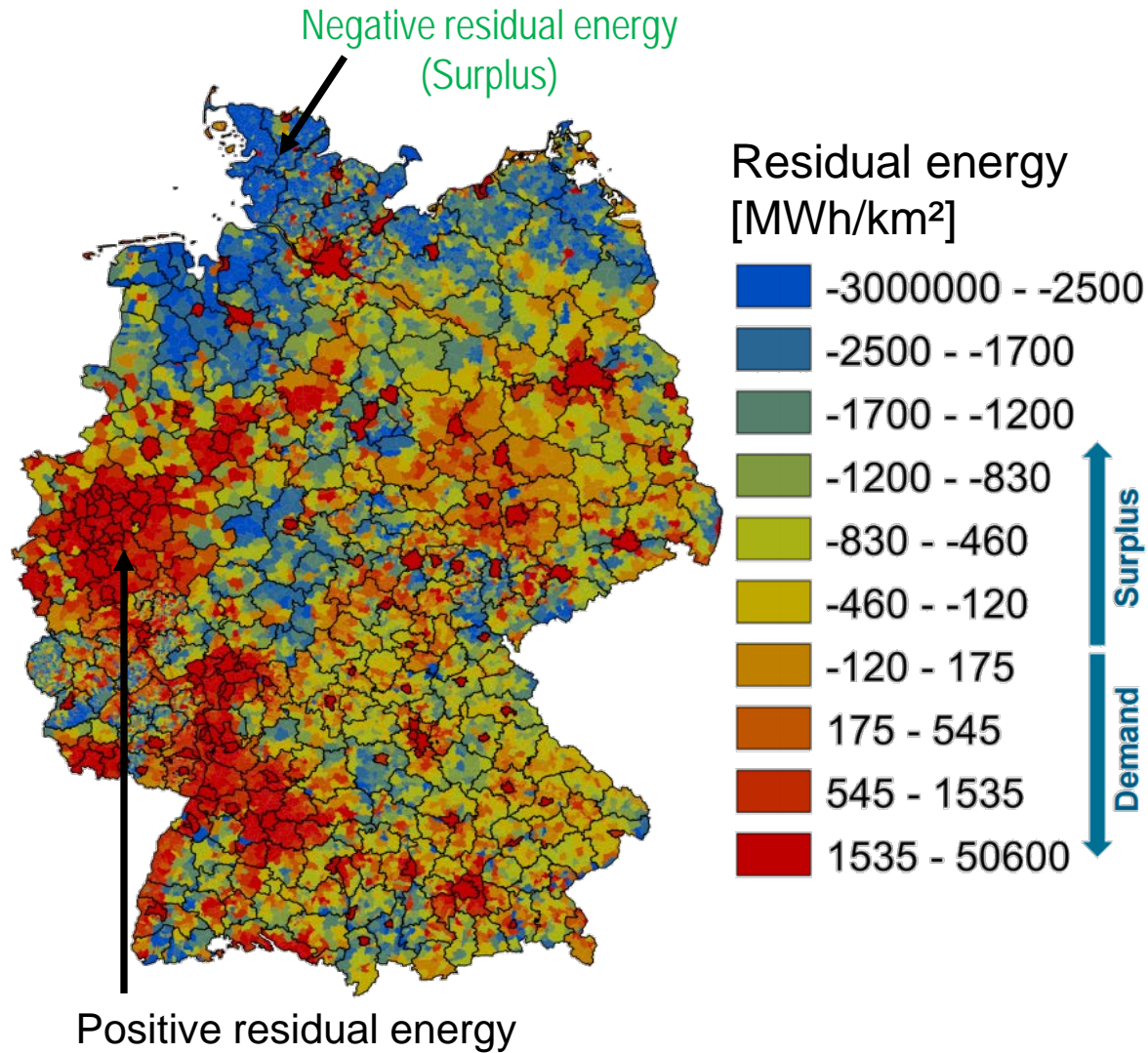
- E.g.: batteries, super capacitors, fly-wheels etc.
- Installation size directly translates into power and energy
- Costs to the most extent scale linearly installation size
- Energy scales with expensive components like battery chemistry
- E.g.: Storage w/ battery costs 12 ct/kWh @ 365 cycles, 44 ct/kWh @ 100 cycles

### 2. Power scales less than energy: saves cost for long-term storage

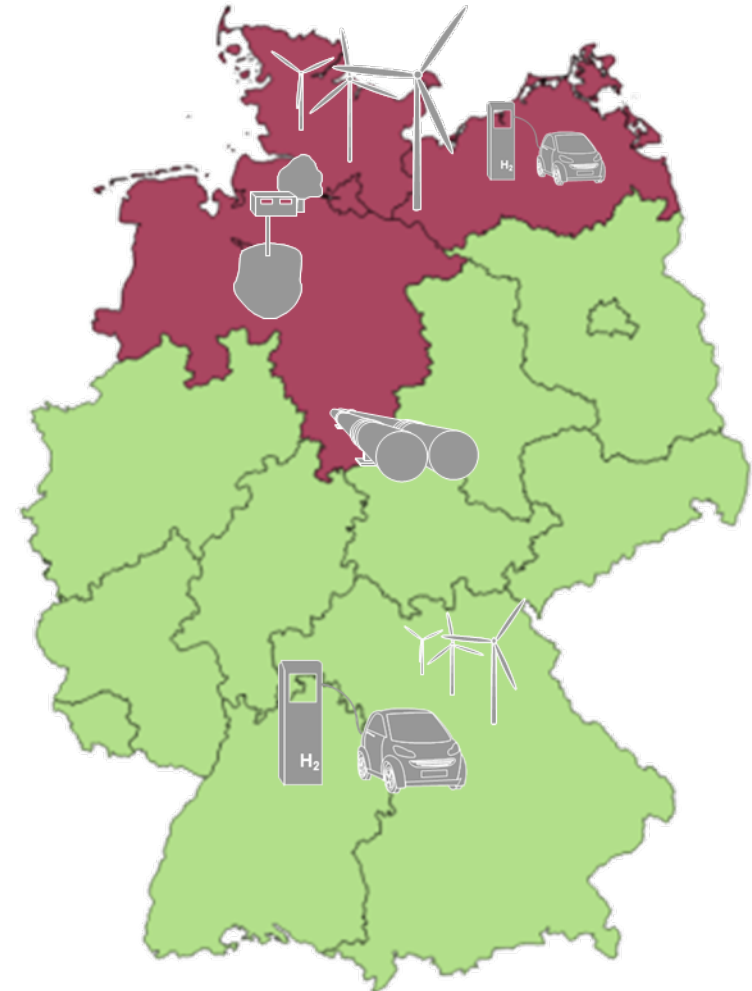
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- Decoupled markets like transportation gets accessible

### 3. Power scales more than energy

- Technology from 2. can deliver
- Economic grounds questionable



		Base Case	The Value of Transport
Energy transport		Pipeline	Not connected
North	Onshore wind	49.9 GW	8.1 GW
	Inst. electrolyzers	40.8 GW	7.3 GW
	Storage capacity (UGS)	8.8 TWh	1.6 TWh
South	Onshore wind	0 GW	75.8 GW
	Inst. electrolyzers	0 GW	34.9 GW
	Storage capacity (Large vessel)	0.3 TWh	12.3 TWh
Total annual cost (TAC)		<b>TAC<sub>bc</sub></b>	<b>199% of TAC<sub>bc</sub></b>



# Decouple Power and Energy for Long-term Storage

Assumption: storage may add about the same price tag to the energy delivered, be it

- Short-term storage, or
- Long-term storage

	Storage cycles / a	Relative allowable invest / kWh*	Energy required	Energy specific investment cost	Power required	Additional cost for conversion units (electrolyzer)
	[1/a]	[%]	[GWh]	[€/ kWh]	[GW]	[€/kW]
Short-term	100 - 1000	100%	some GWh	Batteries 100-200	some 10GW	none
Long-term	1 - 10	1%	some 1000 GWh	Salt cavern << 1 (approx. 0.25)	some 10GW	500 €/kW

## Disjunction of Power and Energy

Batteries : Power and energy scale linearly with unit size

Hydrogen: **Power** scales less than **energy for loading**; **quick unloading feasible**

↓  
**Electrolyzers**

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**Gas caverns**

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- Time-wise decoupled markets like transportation get accessible
- Improved economics for seasonal storage

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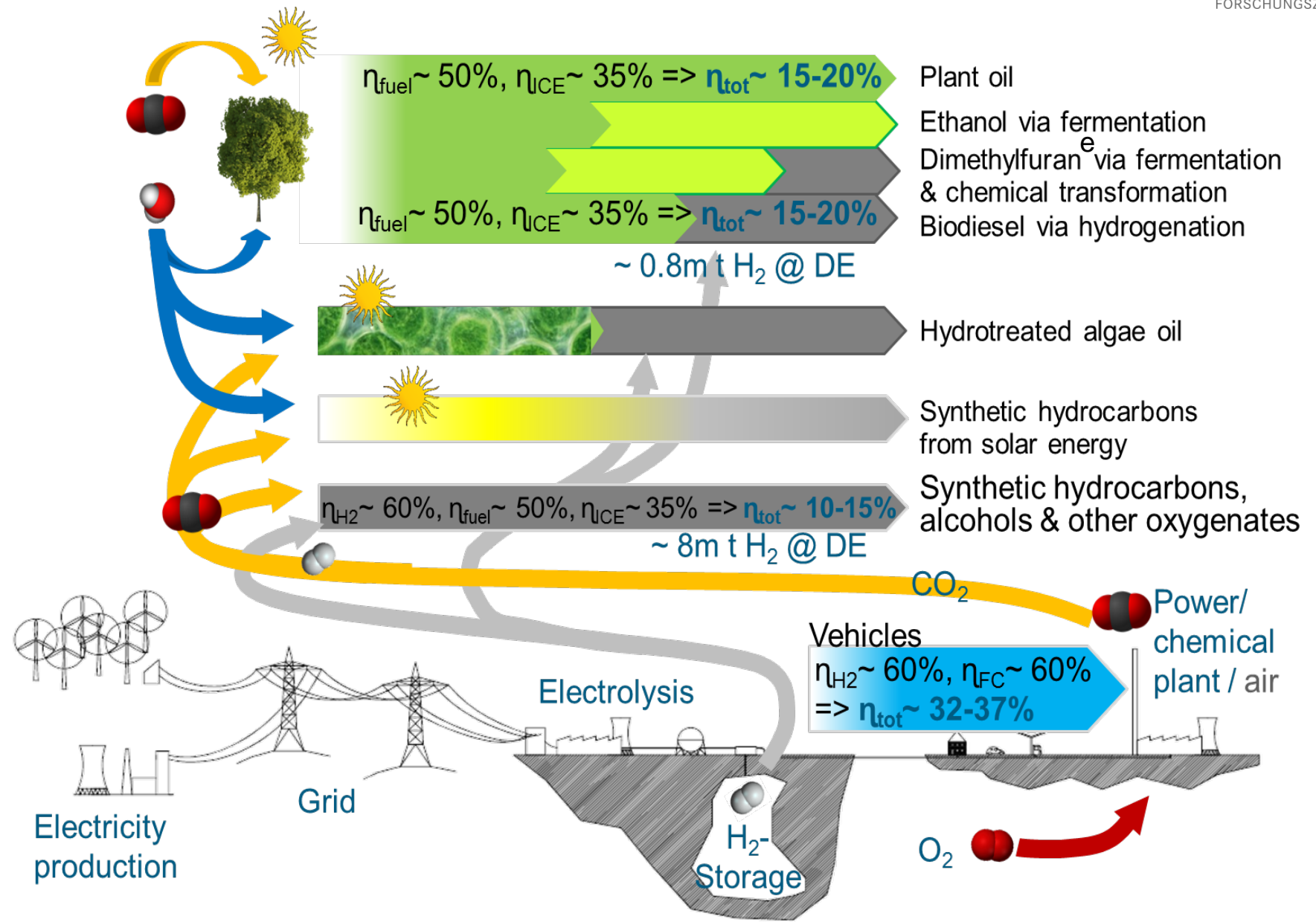
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# Storage Densities

Medium		Storage Density
Electricity storage		0,3 -0,9 MJ/l
Mechanical storage		0,001 – 0,01 Pumped hydro; compr. Air)
Gas storage (Electrolysis + storage)		0,9 – 3,7 H <sub>2</sub> – CH <sub>4</sub> /Δ100bar
Liquid storage		approx. 40 MJ/kg gasoline: 32 MJ/l

\* @ comparable specific cost

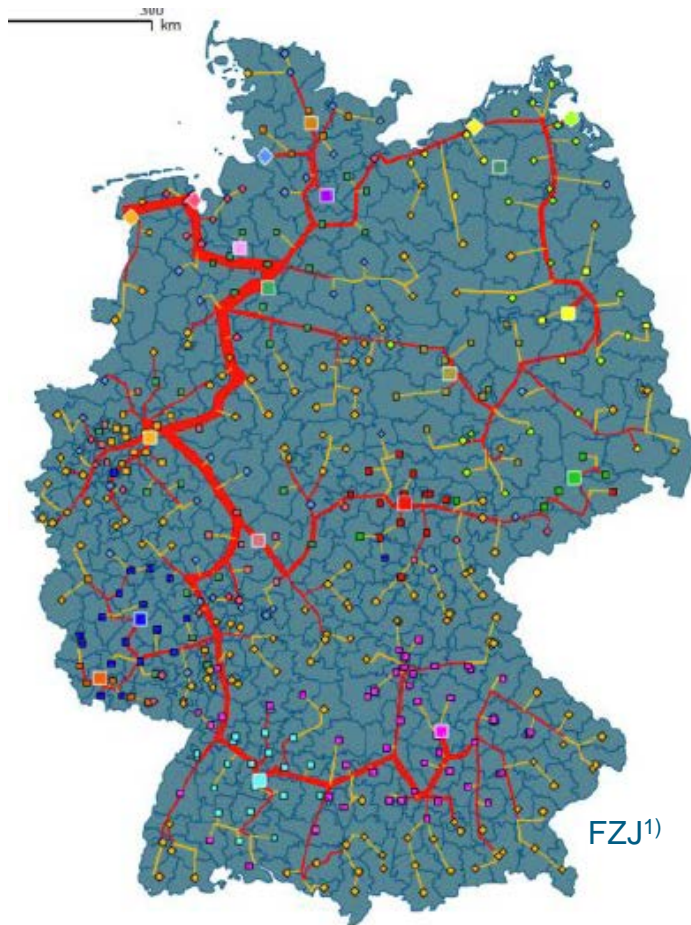




Battery vehicle (renewable electricity)		Fuel cell vehicle (renewable electricity)	
Efficiency:	80 % x 85 % = <b>68 %</b> (WTT) (TTW)	Efficiency:	63 % x 60 % = <b>38 %</b> (WTT) (TTW)
Vehicle cost:	⊖⊖	Vehicle cost:	⊖⊖
Fuel production:	⊕	Fuel production:	⊖
Storage & distrib.:	⊖⊖⊖	Storage & distrib.:	⊖⊖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

TTW: Tank-to-wheel  
WTT: Well-to-tank

# Hydrogen Pipeline Network designed for Fueling Stations



## Data of designed H<sub>2</sub> pipeline network

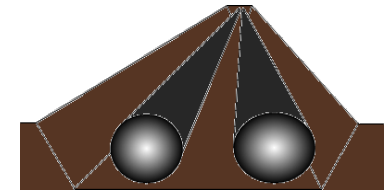
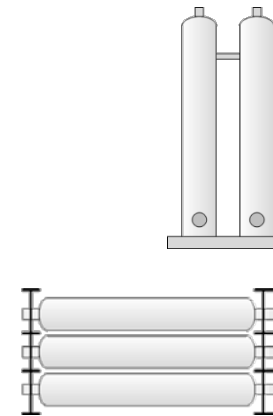
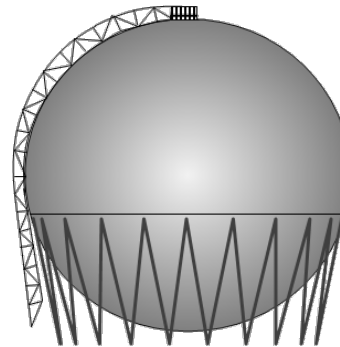
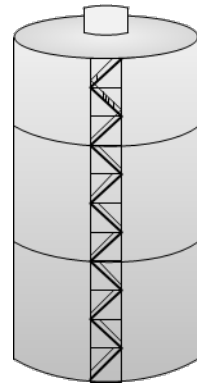
	Length / km	Cost / billion €
Transmission Pipeline	12,000	6 - 7
Distribution Pipeline	31,000 – 47,000	13 - 19

5.4 mn tons/a hydrogen result from by renewable power input  
 9800 fueling stations @1500 kg H<sub>2</sub>/d result from hydrogen input

- 1) Baufume, Grube, Krieg, Linssen, Weber, Hake, Stolten (2012) 12. Symp. Energieinnovation, Graz, 15-17.3. (values adapted here to larger total amount of H<sub>2</sub>)
- 2) incl. compressors for compensation of pressure losses

	Depleted oil / gas fields	Aquifers	Salt caverns	Rock caverns / abandoned mines
Working volume [scm]	$10^{10}$	$10^8$	$10^7$	$10^6$
Cushion gas	50 %	up to 80 %	20 - 30 %	20 - 30 %
Gas quality	reaction and <b>contamination</b> with present gases, <b>microorganism</b> and minerals		saturation with water vapor	
Annual cycling cap.	only seasonal		seasonal & frequent	

	Gas holders	Spherical gas vessels	Ground storage assemblies	Pipe storage facilities
Maximum pressure [bar]	1.01 - 1.5	5 - 20	40 - 1000	20 - 100
Storage capacity [scm]	$< 6 \times 10^4$	$< 3 \times 10^5$	$< 1 \times 10^4$	$< 9 \times 10^5$
Invest/ storage capacity ‡ [€/scm]	?	20 - 50	50 - 180	20 - 50



# Infrastructure: Electrolysis & Large Scale Storage



Estimated seasonal storage capacity

27 TWh<sub>LHV</sub>

Storage capacity 60 day reserve

90 TWh

Storage capacity until 2040

40 TWh

regularly over weeks and months;

DB research, Josef Auer, January 31, 2012

(Pumped Hydro Power in Germany:

0.04 TWh<sub>e</sub>)

Seasonal storage capacity required:

9 bn scm

Existing NG-storage in Germany :

20.8 bn scm

thereof salt dome caverns in use:

8.1 bn scm

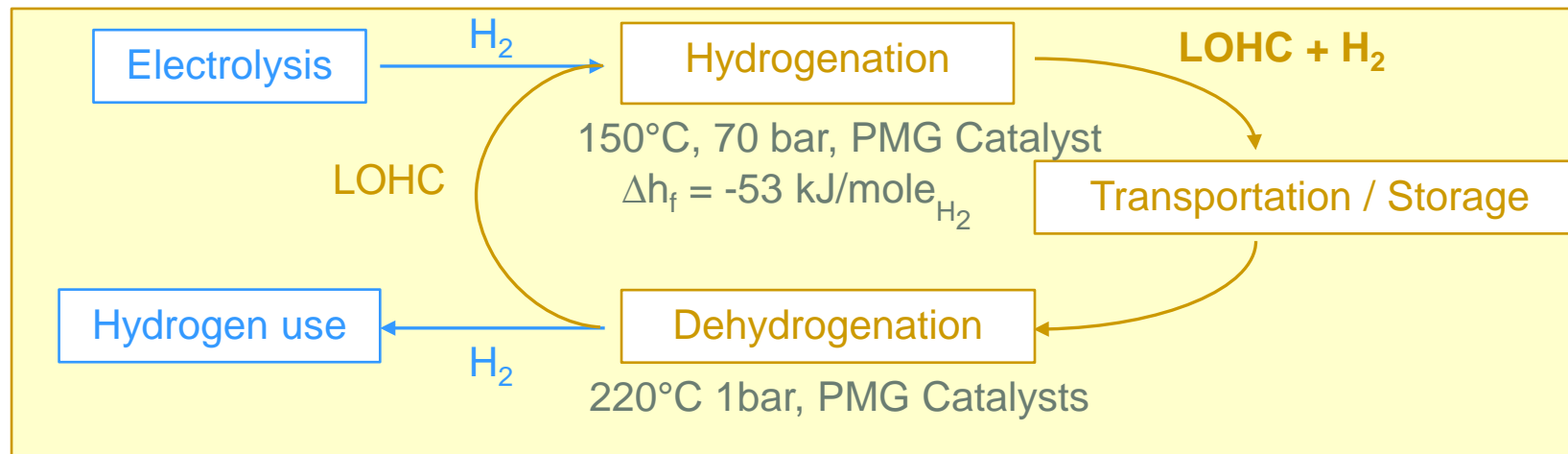
Salt cavern in construction/planned :

12.9 bn scm

Source: Sedlacek, R: Untertage-Gasspeicherung in Deutschland; Erdöl, Erdgas, Kohle 125, Nr.11, 2009, S.412–426.

# Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carriers (LOHC)

- Liquid, heterocyclic, aromatic hydrocarbon as carriers
- Hydrogenation: saturation of aromatic rings with hydrogen
- **Chemicals:** N-ethylcarbazole, toluene and other aromatics
- Degradation by formation of unintended by-products



- Hydrogen storage density: 6 - 8 wt% [1,2]
- Transportation cost  $\approx 0.2 \text{ €/kg}_{H_2}$  via ship (5000 km) [3]
- Japan seeks produce  $H_2$  in Patagonia and transport it home (distance  $\approx 20,000 \text{ km}$ )

# Power Line and Gas Pipelines Compared

	<b>380 kV overhead line</b>	<b>Natural gas pipeline</b> §	<b>Hydrogen gas pipeline</b>
Type	4 x 564/72 double circuit	DN 1000 $p_{in} = 90 \text{ bar}$	
Energy transport capacity	1.2 GW <sub>el</sub>	16 GW <sub>th</sub>	12 GW <sub>th</sub>
Investment cost in M€/km	1 - 1.5	1 - 2	1.2 - 3



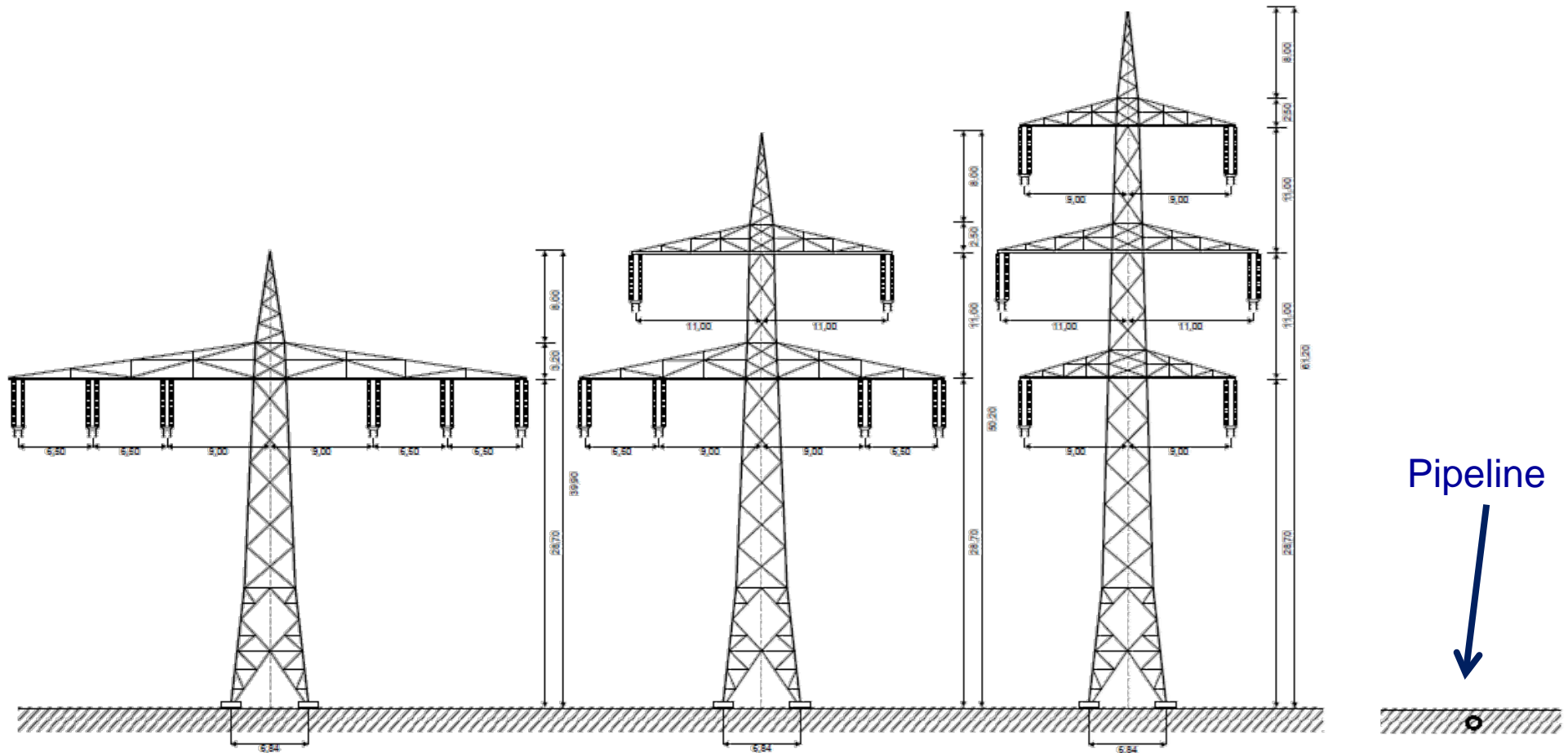
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Width of protective strips

57 m

48 m

10 m



Picture of power poles from Hofman: Technologien zur Stromübertragung, IEH,  
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# Hydrogen can be Efficiently Transported and Effectively Stored

## Transport of energy

### *Energy demand*

Gaseous hydrogen transport	3% / 1000 km (distributed input-/output)
High voltage DC-DC power line	3% / 1000 km, conversion 4-6%; (point-to-point only)
Conventional AC power line	9% / 1000 km @ 400 kV; Source EoN
	5% / 1000 km @ 765 kV; Source EoN

## Storage of energy

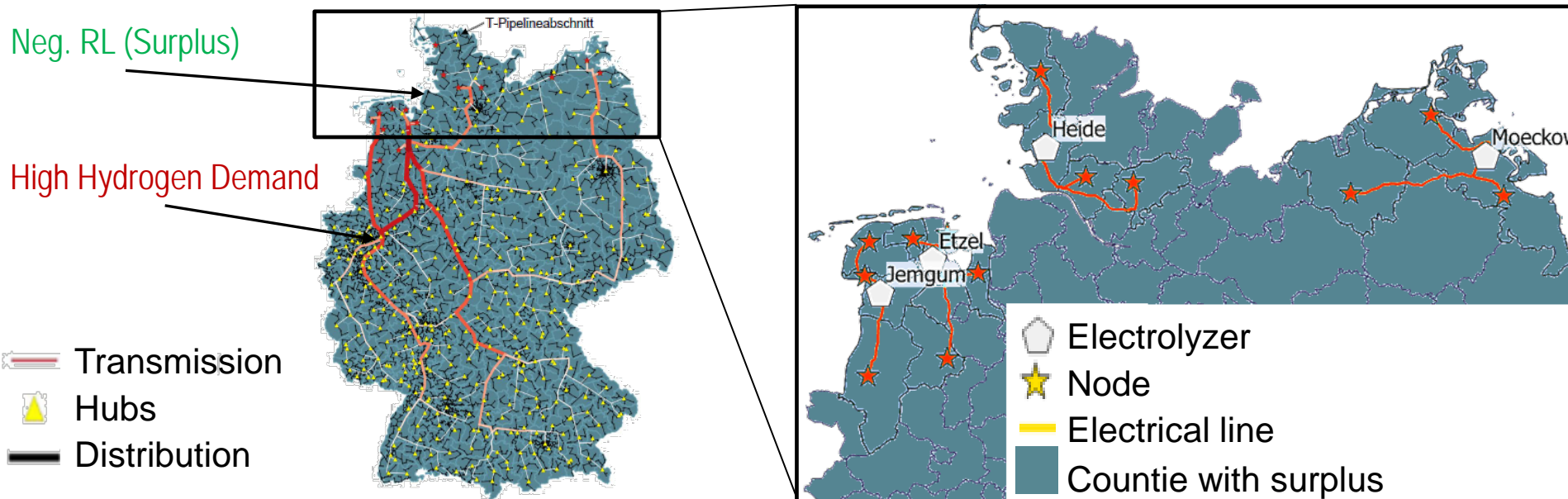
Hydrogen	Caverns, no-self discharge; short- & long-term storage
Electrical energy	Batteries, effective for short-term storage

# Energy Concept 2.0

## Assessment based on county level

### Results

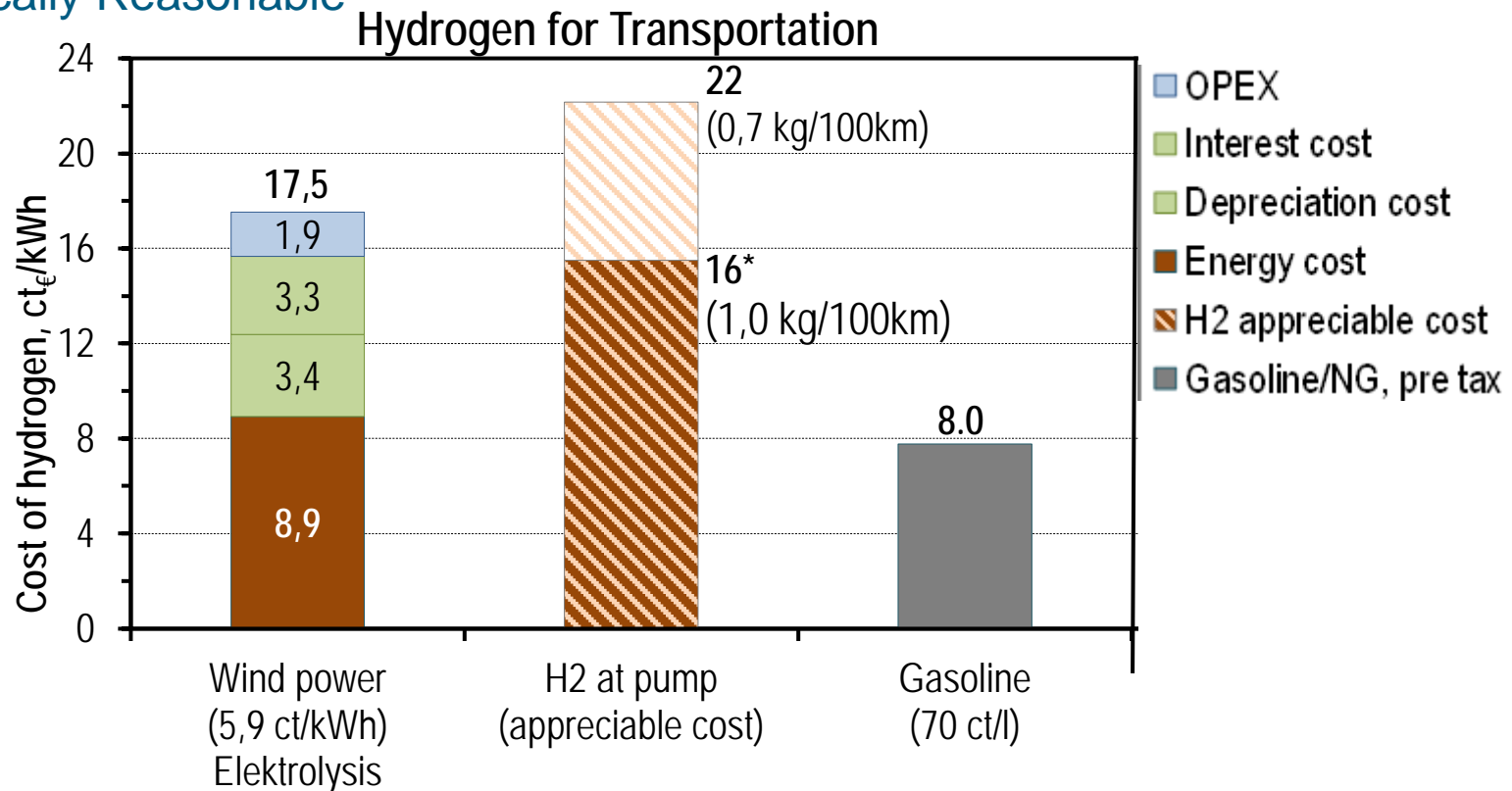
H <sub>2</sub> sources:	28 GW electrolysis power in 15 districts in Northern Germany, 15 billion €
H <sub>2</sub> sinks:	9,968 refueling stations with averaged sales of 803 kg/d, 20 billion €
H <sub>2</sub> storage:	48 TWh (incl. 60 day reserve), 8 billion €
Pipeline invest [3]:	6.7 billion € (12,104 km transmission grid); 12 billion € (29,671 km distribution grid)
Electricity cost:	LCOE Onshore: 5.8 ct/kWh;
Total H <sub>2</sub> cost (pre-tax):	17.5 ct/kWh WACC: 8 %



All values after Robinius, M. (2016): Strom- und Gasmärktedesign zur Versorgung des deutschen Straßenverkehrs mit Wasserstoff. Dissertation RWTH Aachen University, ISBN: 978-3-95806-110-1; except: [3] Krieg, D. (2012), Konzept und Kosten eines Pipelinesystems zur Versorgung des deutschen Straßenverkehrs mit Wasserstoff. Forschungszentrum Jülich IEK-3  
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# Cost Comparison of Power to Gas Options – Pre-tax

Hydrogen for Transportation with a Dedicated Hydrogen Infrastructure is Economically Reasonable



## CAPEX via depreciation of investment plus interest

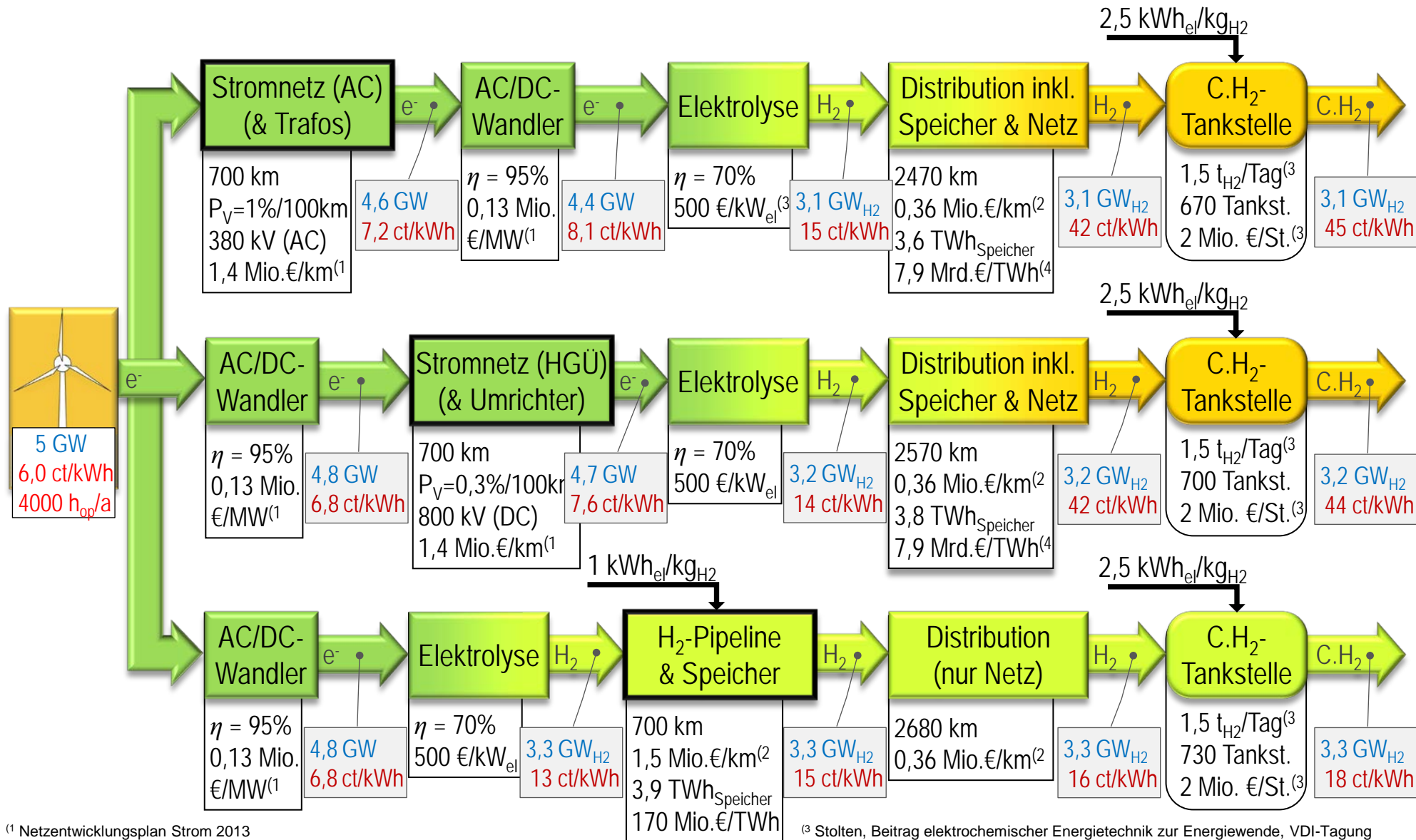
- 10 a for electrolysers and other production devices
- 40 a for transmission grid
- 20 a for distribution grid and refueling stations
- Interest rate 8.0 % p.a.
- Appreciable cost @ half the specific fuel consumption

## Other Assumptions:

- 2.9 million t<sub>H2</sub>/a from renewable power via electrolysis
- **Electrolysis:  $\eta = 70\%_{LHV}$ , 28 GW; investment cost 500 €/kW**
- **Methanation:  $\eta = 80\%_{LHV}$**

[1] Energy Concept 2.0

# Vergleich Transportoptionen am Beispiel Nord-Süd



<sup>(1)</sup> Netzentwicklungsplan Strom 2013

<sup>(2)</sup> Krieg, Konzept und Kosten eines Pipelinesystems zur Versorgung des deutschen Straßenverkehrs mit Wasserstoff, 2012

<sup>(3)</sup> Stolten, Beitrag elektrochemischer Energietechnik zur Energiewende, VDI-Tagung Innovative Fahrzeugantriebe, Dresden, 2012

<sup>(4)</sup> Tietze, Near-Surface Bulk Storage of Hydrogen, in: Transition to Renewable Energy Systems, 2013

## THE SPEED OF THE REFUELLING PROCESS DRIVES THE ECONOMIES OF SCALE FOR HYDROGEN

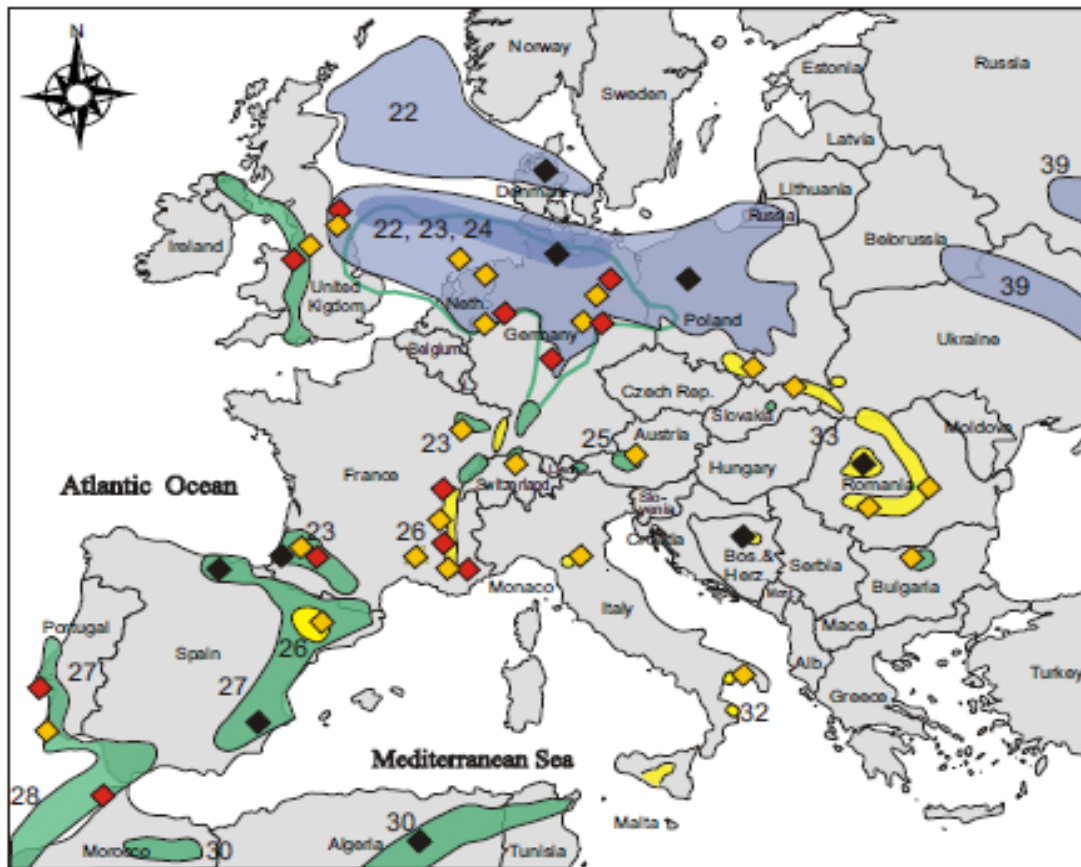
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The ultra-fast refuelling process drives the efficient use of the asset:

- ✓ **Time efficiency: more efficient use of production and refuelling assets**
- ✓ **Economics: greater turnover per time unit**

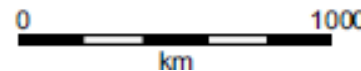
# Salt Deposits in Europe

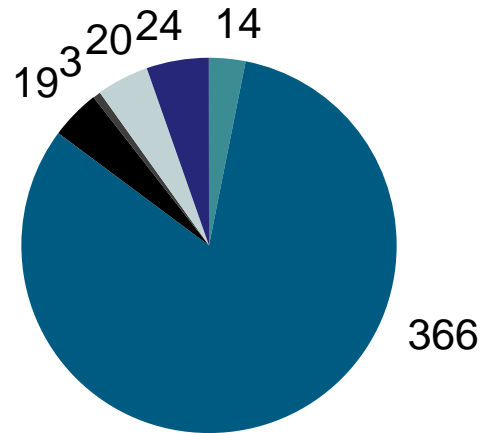


- Tertiary salt deposit
- Mesozoic salt deposit
- Paleozoic salt deposit, Permian
- Paleozoic salt deposit, Rotliegend below Permian
- Salt basin with number (compare figure 4-1, table 1 and 2)
- Range of Mesozoic salt above Permian
- Bedded salt cavern fields
- Brine production
- Cavern storage
- Domal salt deposits and cavern fields



<http://www.innovativeenergy.com.au/saltcavern/world%20salt%20deposits.pdf>





- Water electrolyzers<sup>[1]</sup>
- Renewable Energies<sup>[2]</sup>
- Hydrogen pipeline grid<sup>[3]</sup>
- Gas caverns<sup>[3]</sup>
- Fueling stations<sup>[3]</sup>
- Additional NG-power plants<sup>[4]</sup>

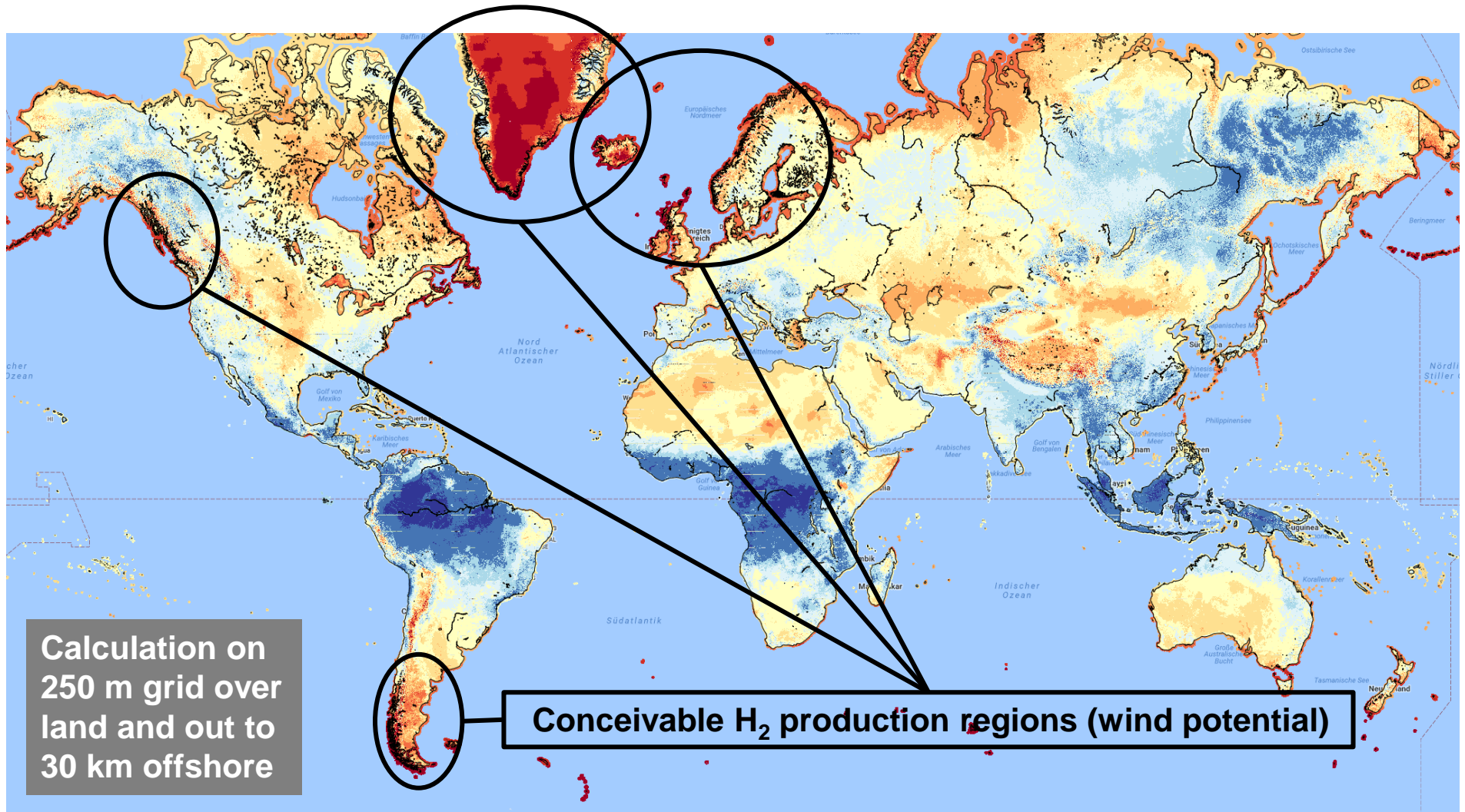
## Infrastructure of Energy Concept 2.0 Cost Analysis [Bn €]

[1] Electrolyzer @ 500 €/kW

[2] PV @ 1000 €/kW; wind onshore @ 1400 €/kW; offshore @ 3000/kW; Installed capacities after [3] Robinius, M. (2016): Strom- und Gasmarktdesign zur Versorgung des deutschen Straßenverkehrs mit Wasserstoff. Dissertation RWTH Aachen [4] 42 GW GT + comb. Cycles, 23 GW already in place [5] Zeitreihen zur Entwicklung Erneuerbarer Energien, BMWi, August 2016 [6] Netzentwicklungsplan

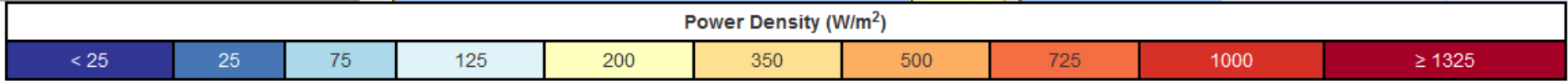


# Global wind power density (aggregated mean 100m height)

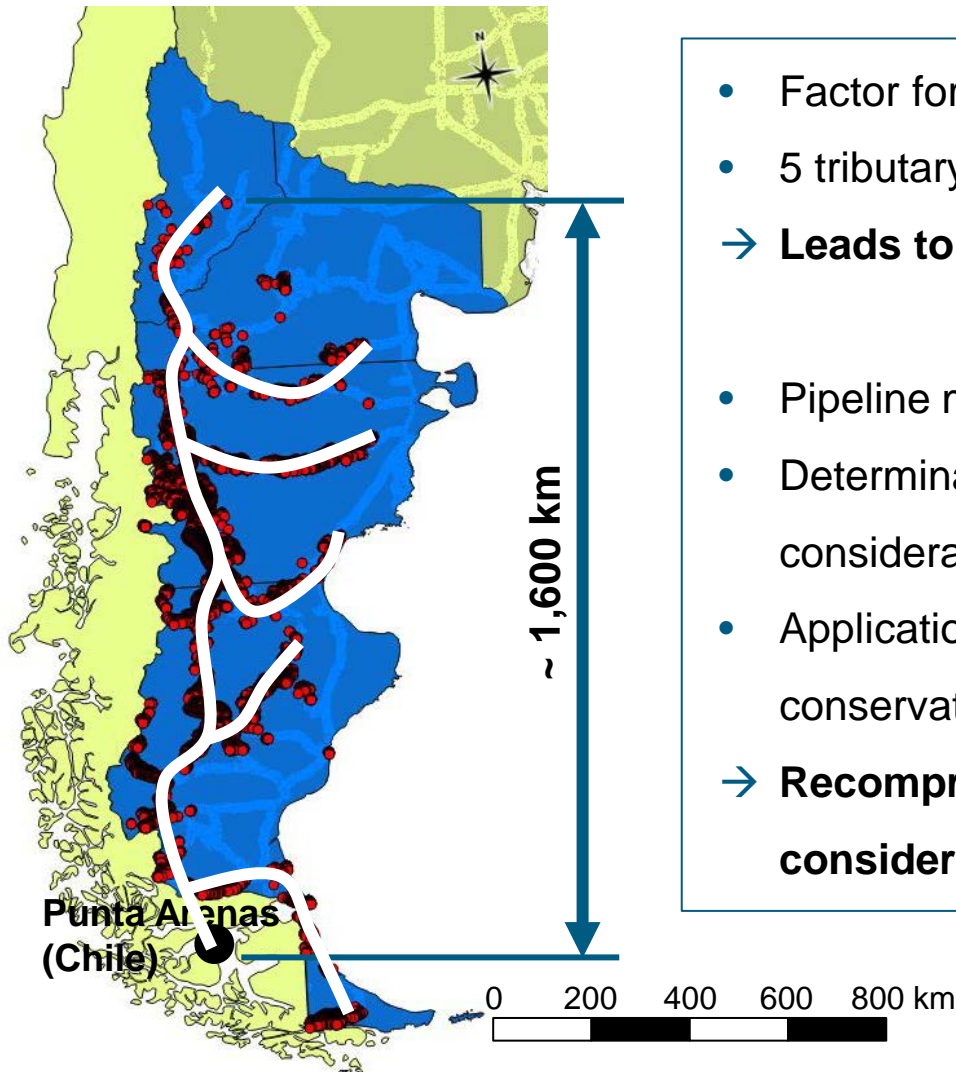


Calculation on 250 m grid over land and out to 30 km offshore

**Conceivable H<sub>2</sub> production regions (wind potential)**



# Pipeline through Patagonia to Punta Arenas (simplified)

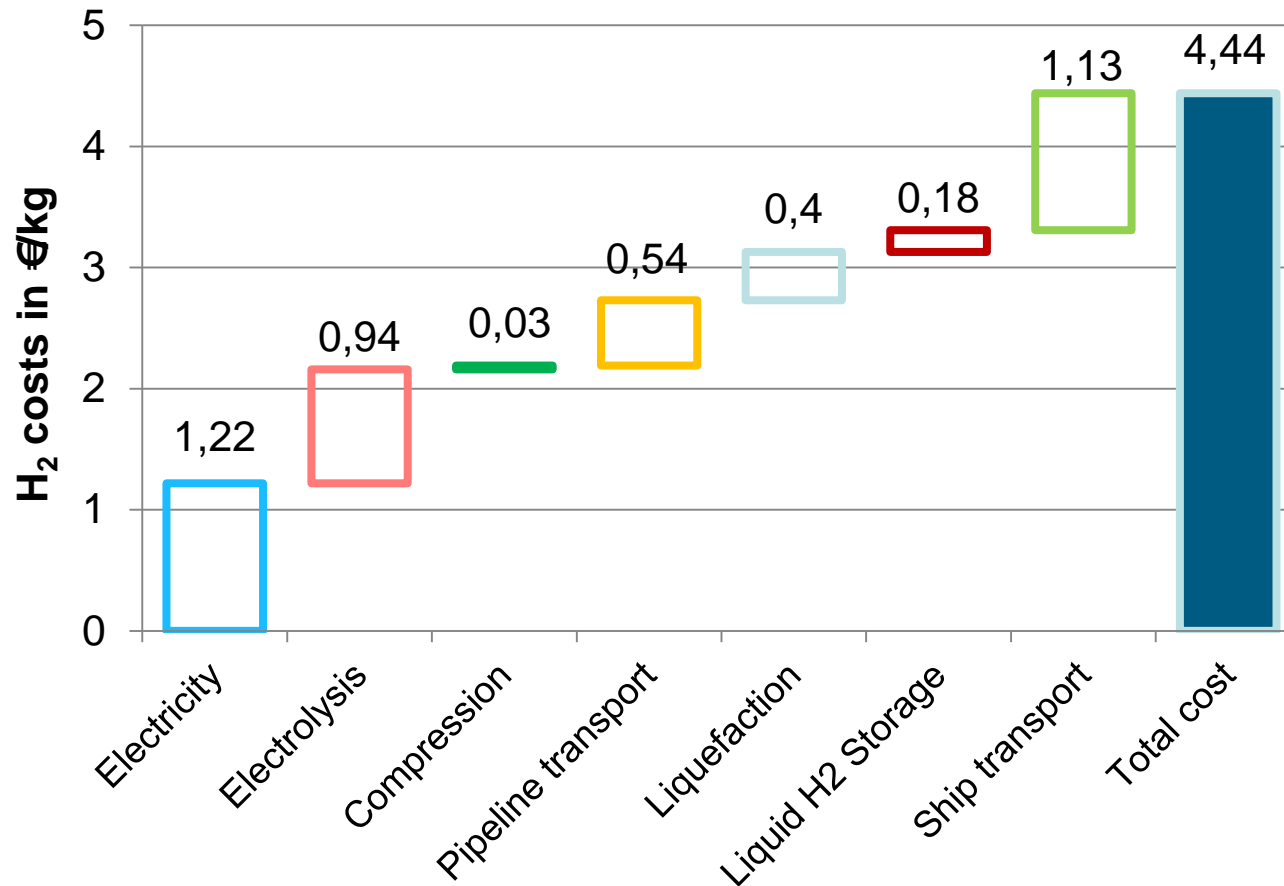


- Factor for indirect route of 1.2 is considered
- 5 tributary pipelines, 500 km each
- **Leads to pipeline length of about 4,500 km**
  
- Pipeline model from V. Tietze, cost data from D. Krieg [1]
- Determination of pipeline quantity and diameter without consideration of recompression
- Application of Krieg's cost data (published) leads to more conservative cost estimation
- **Recompression and associated costs are to be considered in prospective analysis**

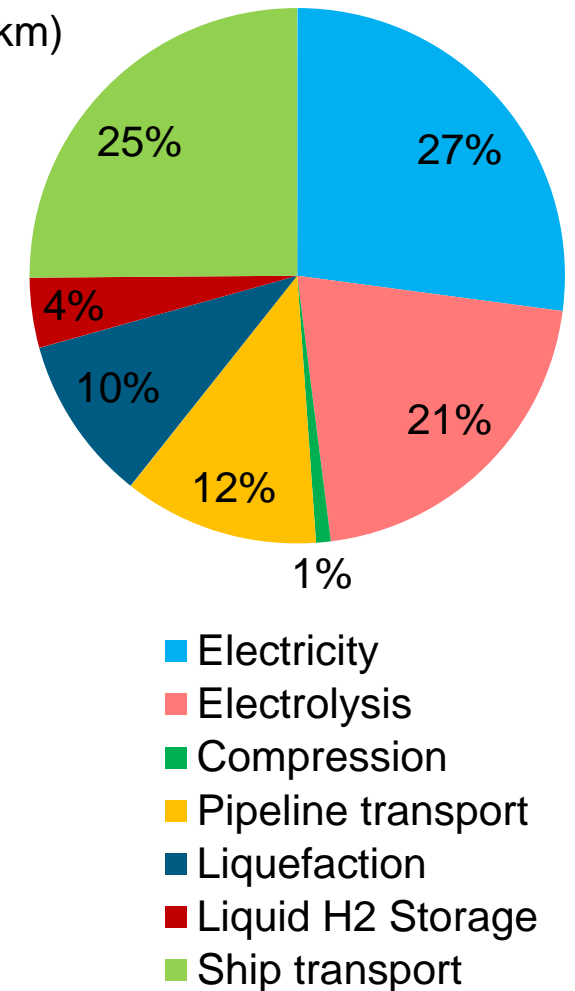
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# Cost Results for H<sub>2</sub> provision – Patagonia to Japan

- H<sub>2</sub> Production of 8.8 Mt/a in Patagonia (use of wind energy)
- Domestic transport via Pipeline (4,500 km)
- Liquefaction and storage in domestic harbor (Cap.: 113,600 tons)
- International transport via ship (Punta Arenas to Yokohama: 17,712 km)



## Cost distribution



# World Map of Salt Deposits

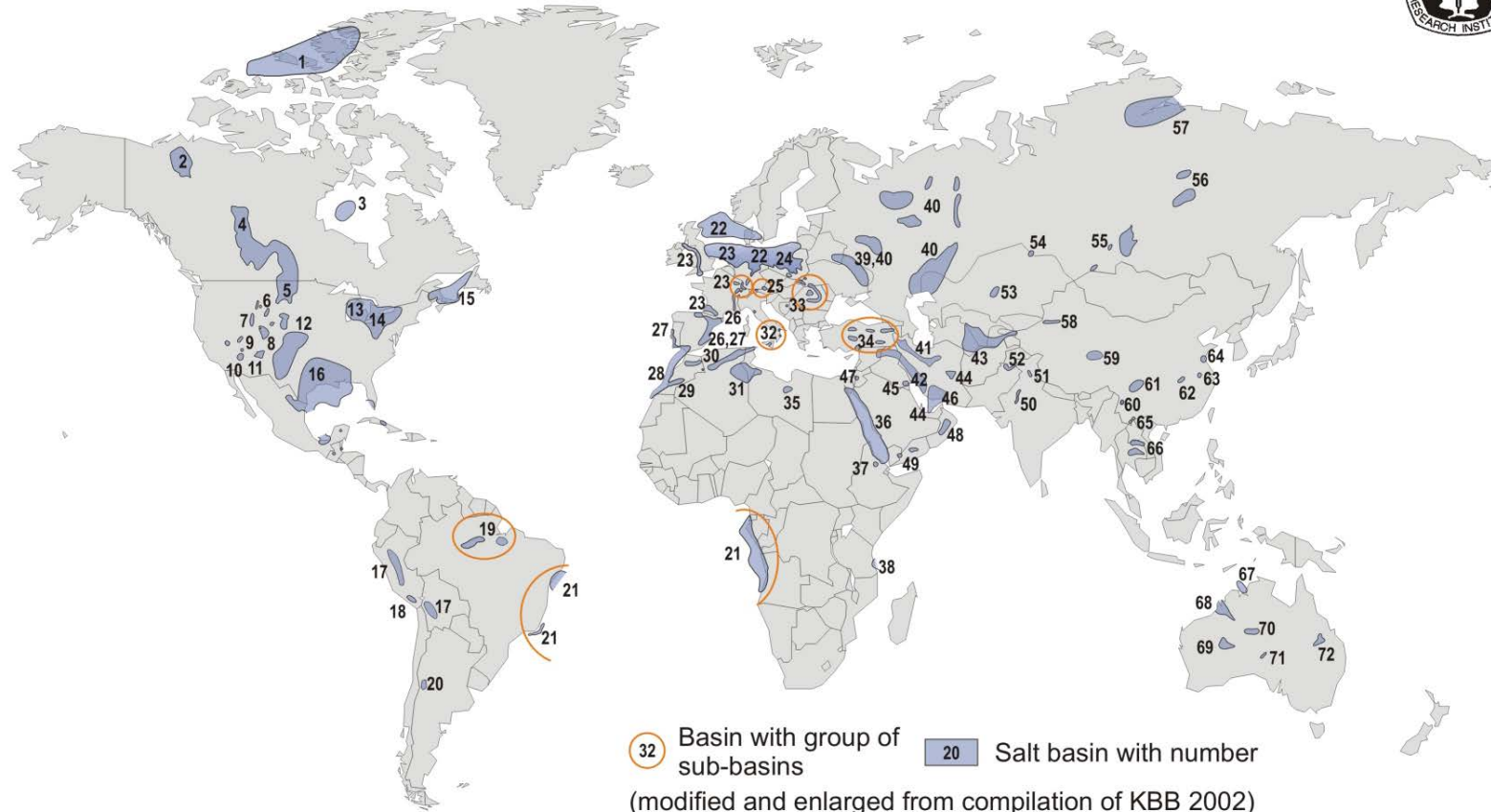


Figure 4-1  
World map of underground salt deposits.  
Name and stratigraphy of numbered salt basins as listed in tables 1 and 2.

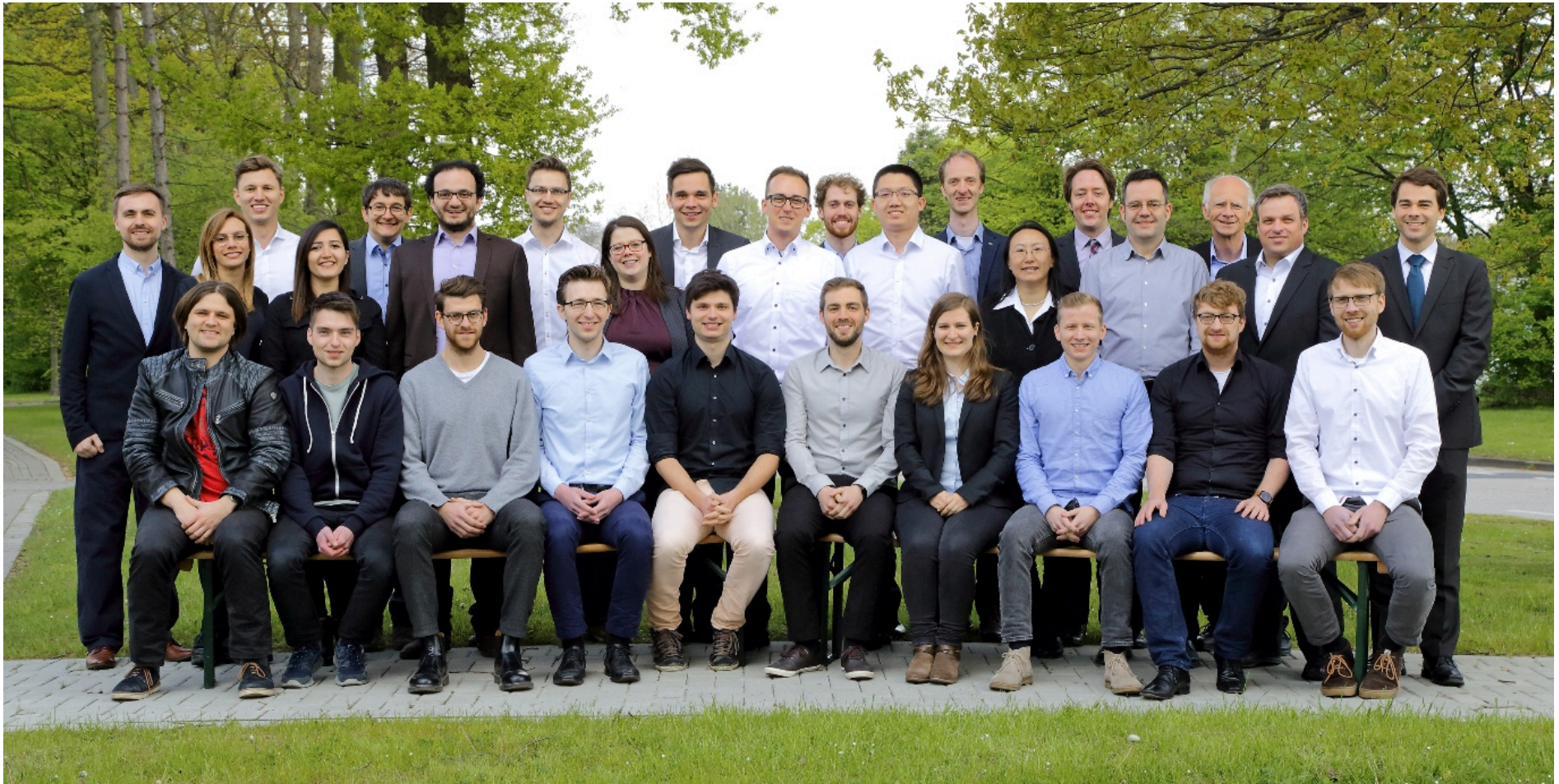
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## Conclusions

- **Direct use of power** has the highest efficiency and is to be preferred, if possible.
- Direct **hydrogen pathways** with fuel cells are **second most efficient**.
- **Hydrogen** generation from „excess power“ **delivers** a notable **grid service**.
- Owing to the inherently high quantities of excess power of renewable concepts „**excess power**“ **is** to be treated as a **valuable good**. There is **no** such thing as a **low or negative power price** if the system is adjusted appropriately.
- All **PtF concepts use hydrogen**; the less oxygen in carbon precursors the higher the efficiency.
- Renewable **hydrogen is most cost effective in transportation**, substituting liquid fuels
- Methanation economically is no option
- **Distribution infrastructure for fuels** including H<sub>2</sub> amounts to about **20% max. of the investment** cost incl. generation; **distribution infrastructure issue is currently overrated**.
- Battery and fuel cells are much better in efficiency than bio-fuel and power to fuel concepts
- **Battery infrastructure is cheap at low market penetration; hydrogen infrastructure is much more cost effective** than battery infrastructure **at high market penetration**.
- **Renewable energy is (getting) competitive**.
- The moderate efficiency of the combustion engine makes alternate liquid fuel concepts expensive.

**Renewable Transportation has a bright future if the right choices are being made timely**



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