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# TECHNO ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT OF PTX IMPORT

Large-scale transport of renewable energy  
via hydrogen and derivates

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# PtX import to Germany [1]

## Agenda



1. Motivation and activities
2. Example hotspot for RE generation
3. Standardized techno-economic assessment methodology for PtX production
4. RE transport options overseas
5. Hydrogen derivate options comparison
6. Conclusion and outlook

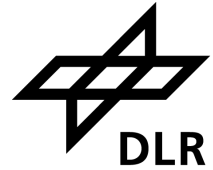
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### Germany's National Hydrogen Strategy and International Cooperation

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## Germany provides targeted funding instruments to support green hydrogen projects worldwide

Germany's H<sub>2</sub> funding schemes

-  **H2Global:** Auction-based promotion of international green hydrogen projects
-  **H2Uppp:** Provision of supporting services to small private-sector projects
-  **Green Hydrogen Fund**
-  **National Funding Guideline** for bilateral hydrogen projects in non-EU countries
-  **Individual project funding** (e.g., grants for projects in Saudi-Arabia and Chile in Dec. 2020)



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GREEN H2

### Germany earmarks up to \$3,8 bln for future green hydrogen imports

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**Goal: CO<sub>2</sub> reduction @ minimized GHG-Abatement cost**

**Standardized methodology for LCA and TEA required!**

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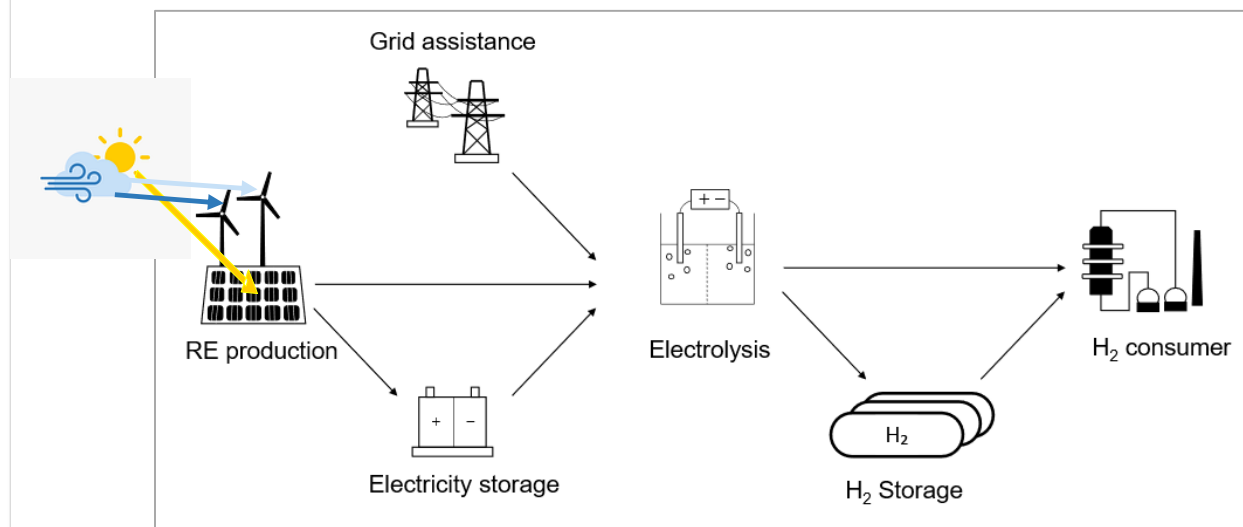
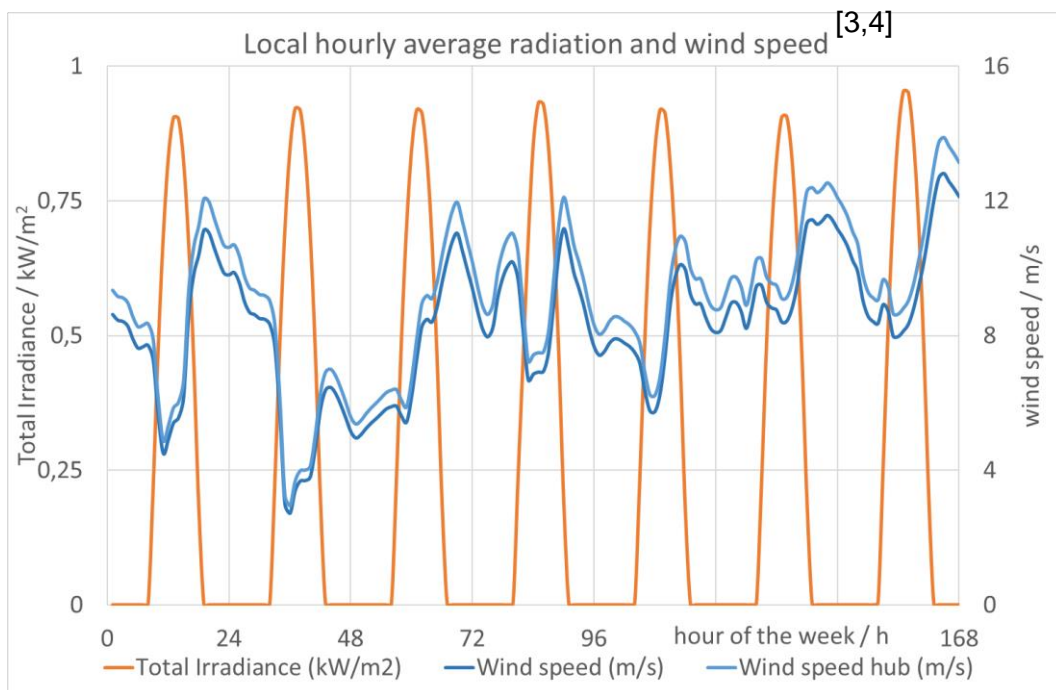
# REMOTE RENEWABLE HYDROGEN PRODUCTION

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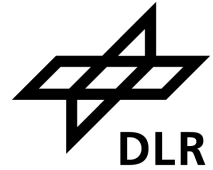
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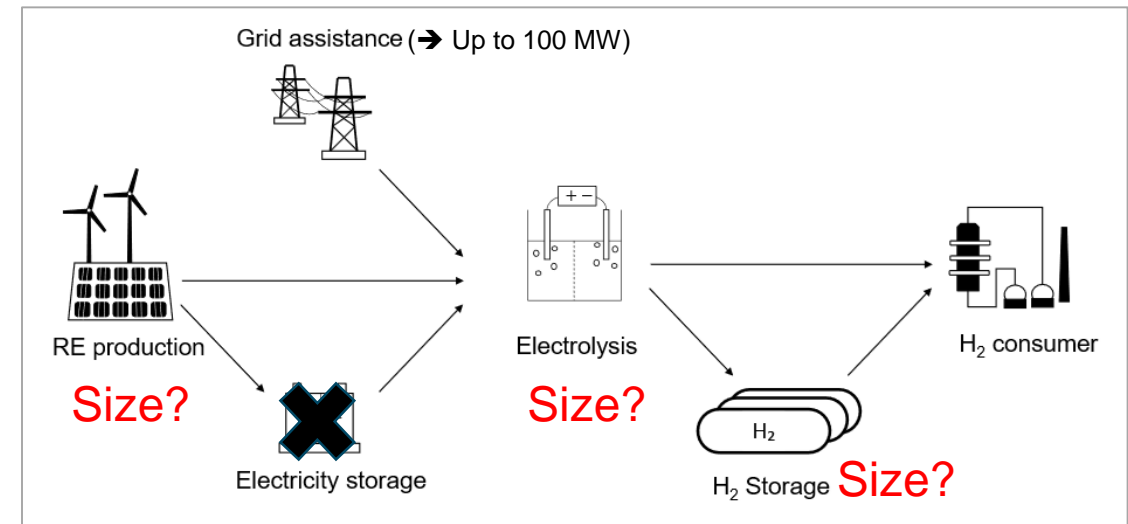
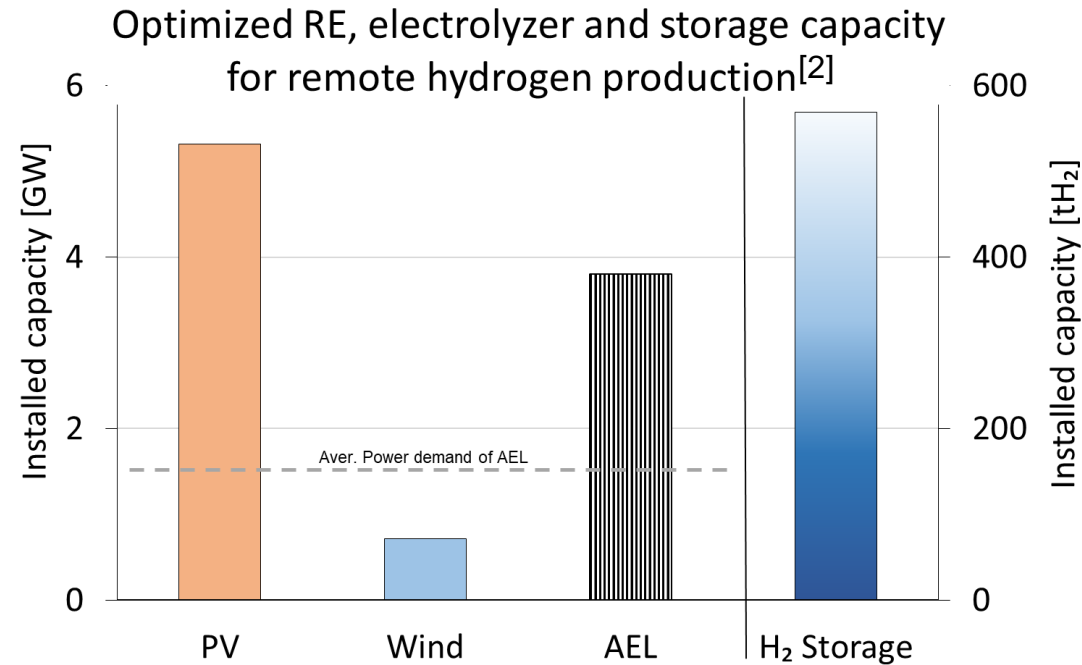
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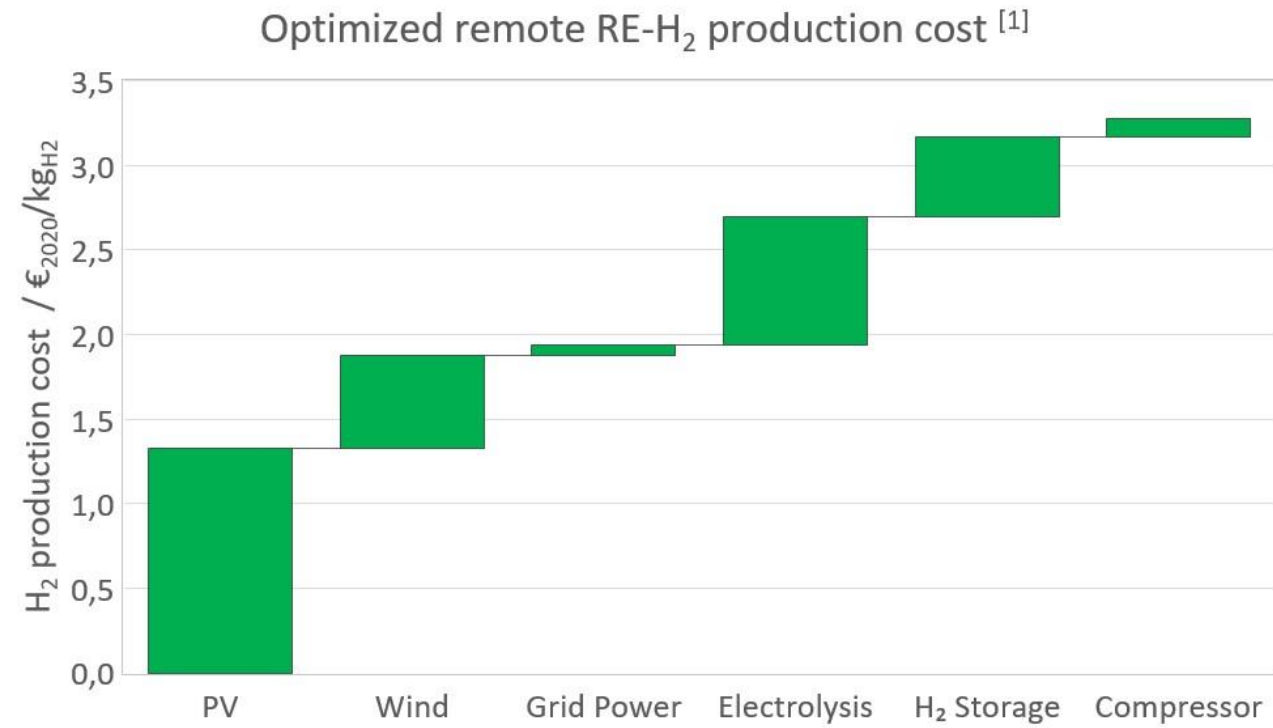
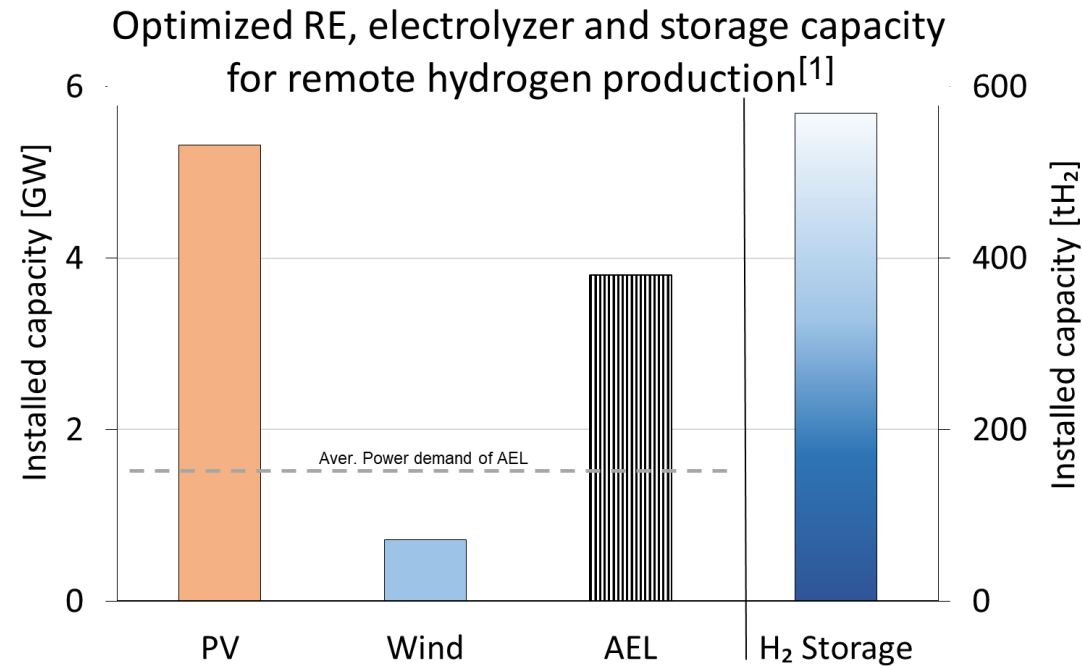
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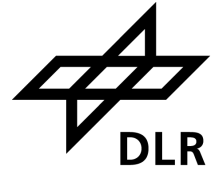
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# Local RE-H<sub>2</sub> production remarks



- Assumption: no restrictions regarding available space, local man power, renewable carbon, water consumption, pollution, grid interaction, regulation, ...
- Perspective cost and performance data for 2030 have to be conformed

Component	Cost type	Lang factor	Value	Unit	Source
<b>PV farm</b>	FCI	1	492*	€ <sub>2021</sub> kW <sub>Peak</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	[16]
<b>Wind turbine</b>	FCI	1	1'573*	€ <sub>2021</sub> kW <sub>Peak</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	[20]
<b>AEL</b>	EC	1.62	160*	€ <sub>2021</sub> kW <sup>-1</sup>	[16]

\*Perspective data for 2030 according to source

- Generalized WACC\* need to be locally adjusted (standard: 7.5 % interest rate)

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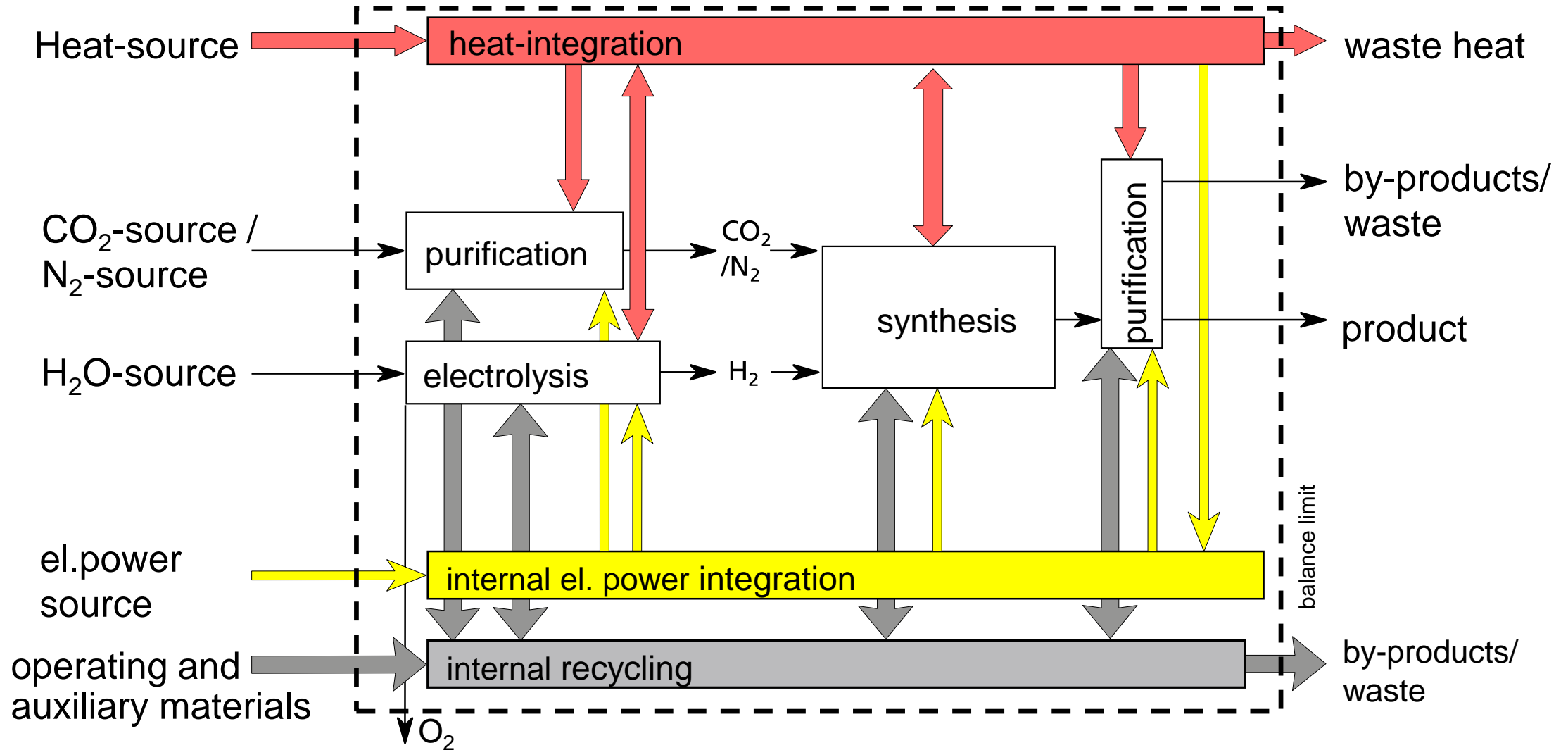
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# HYDROGEN DERIVATE PRODUCTION

# Derivate production

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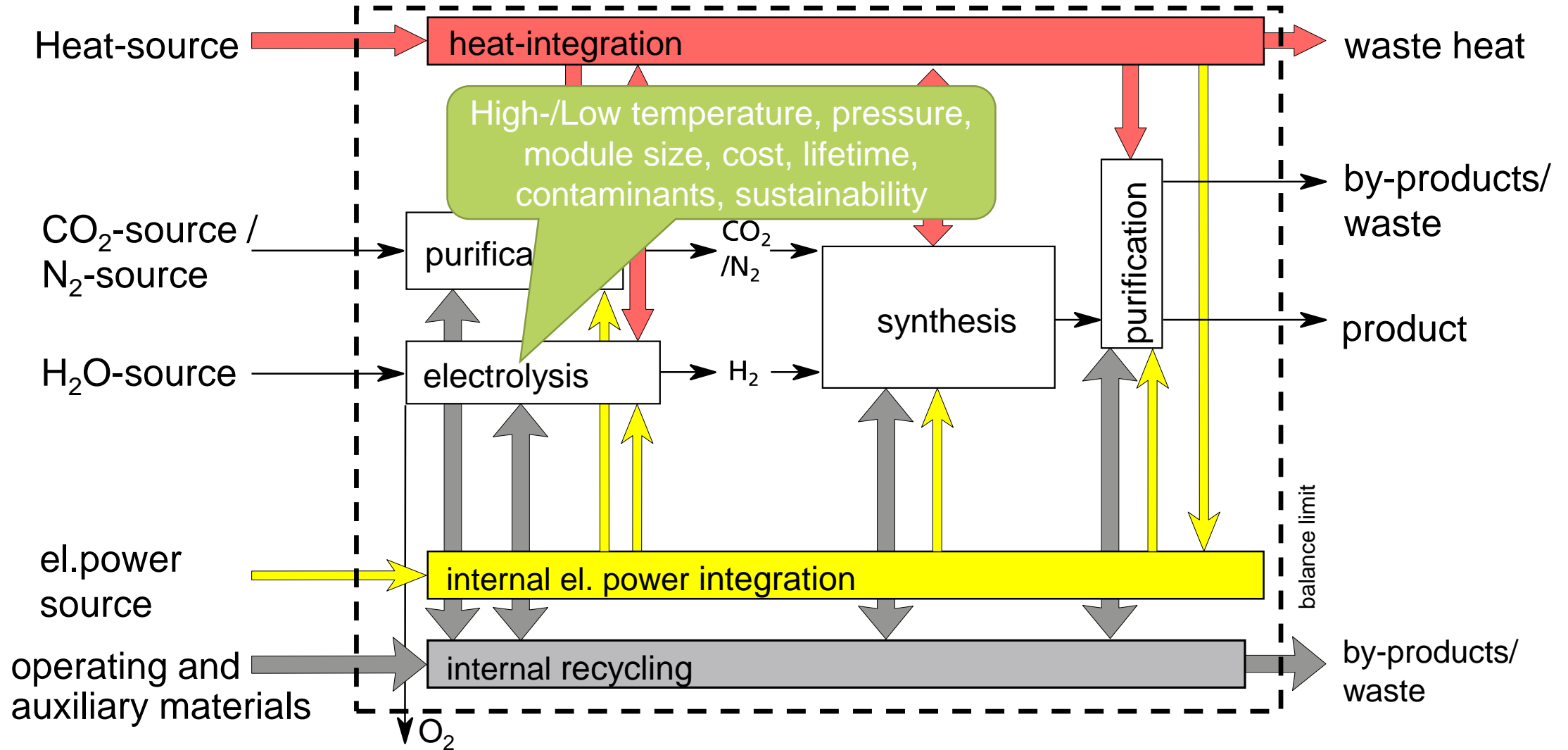


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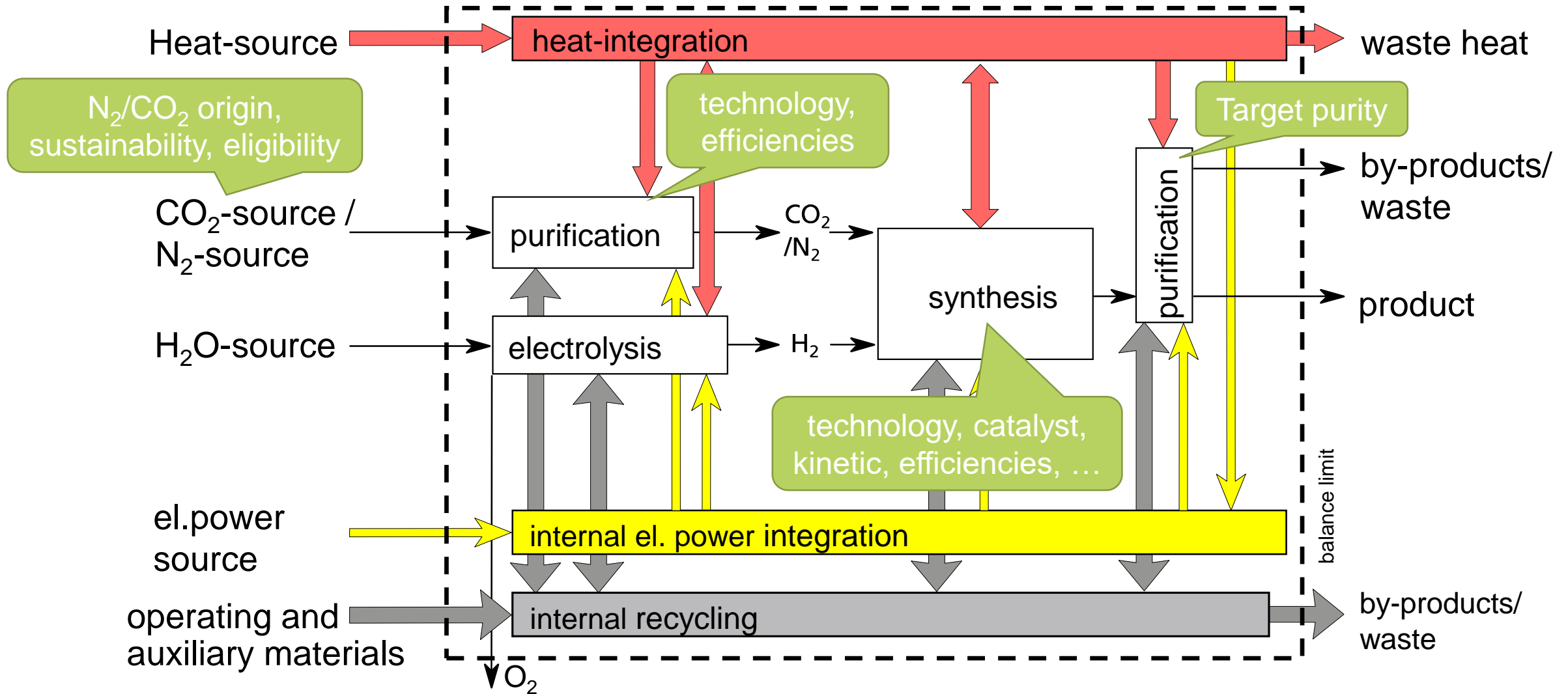


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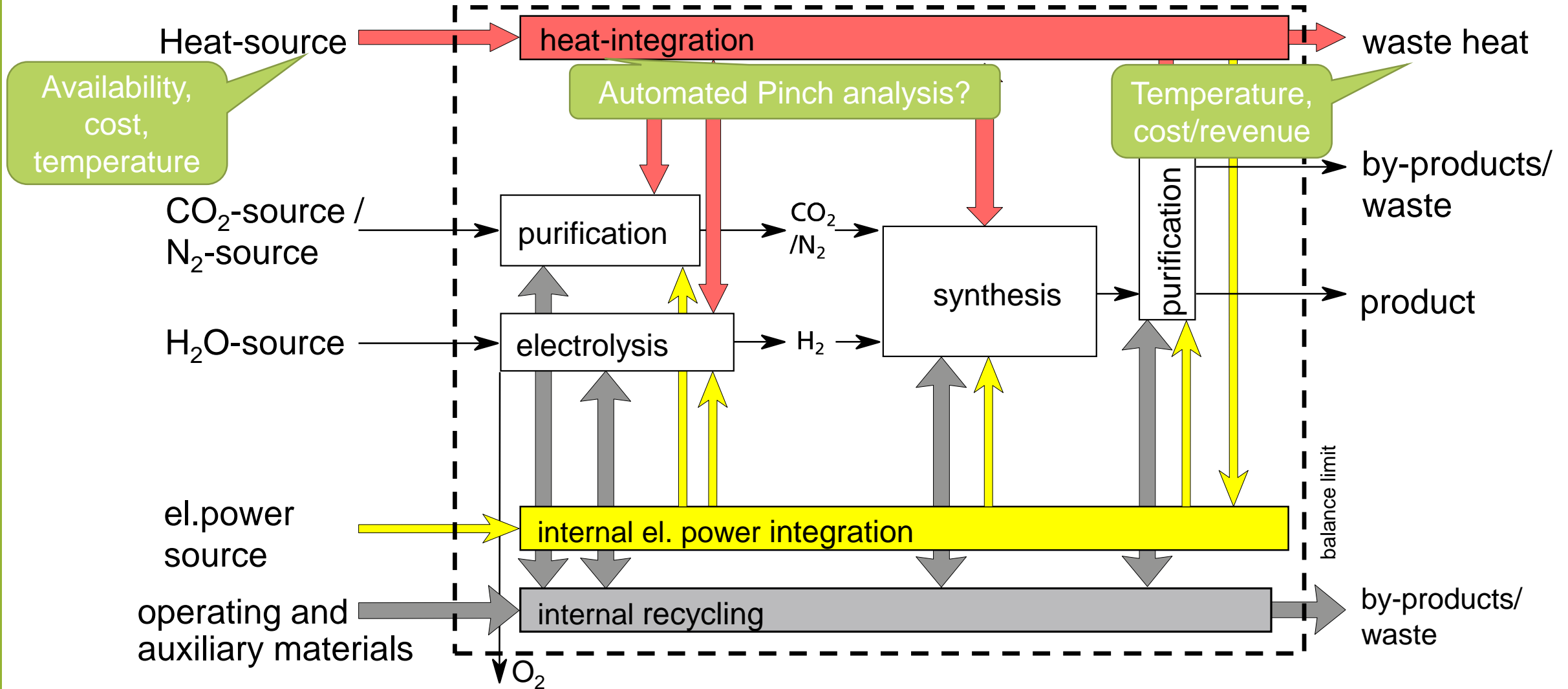


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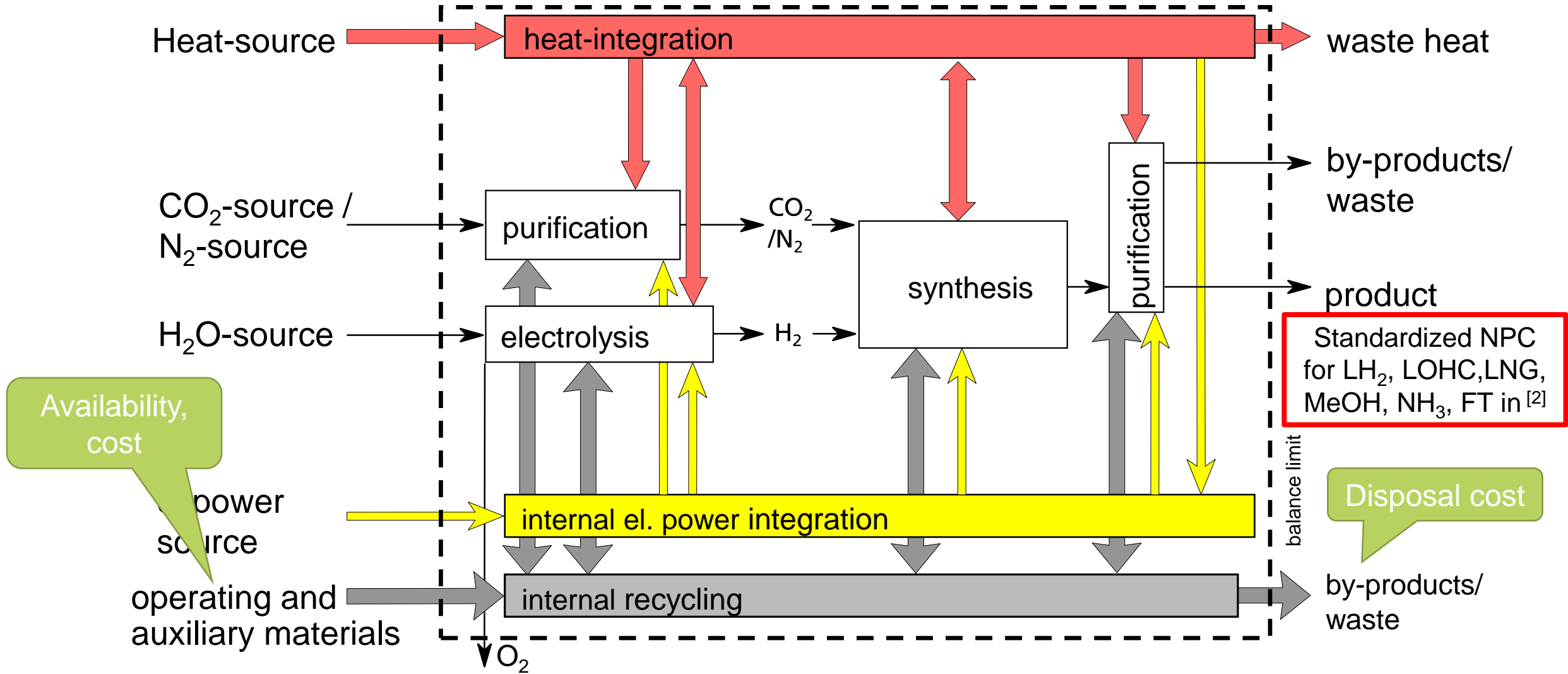


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Standardized NPC for LH<sub>2</sub>, LOHC, LNG, MeOH, NH<sub>3</sub>, FT in [2]

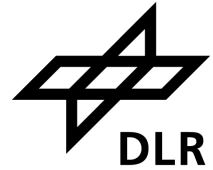
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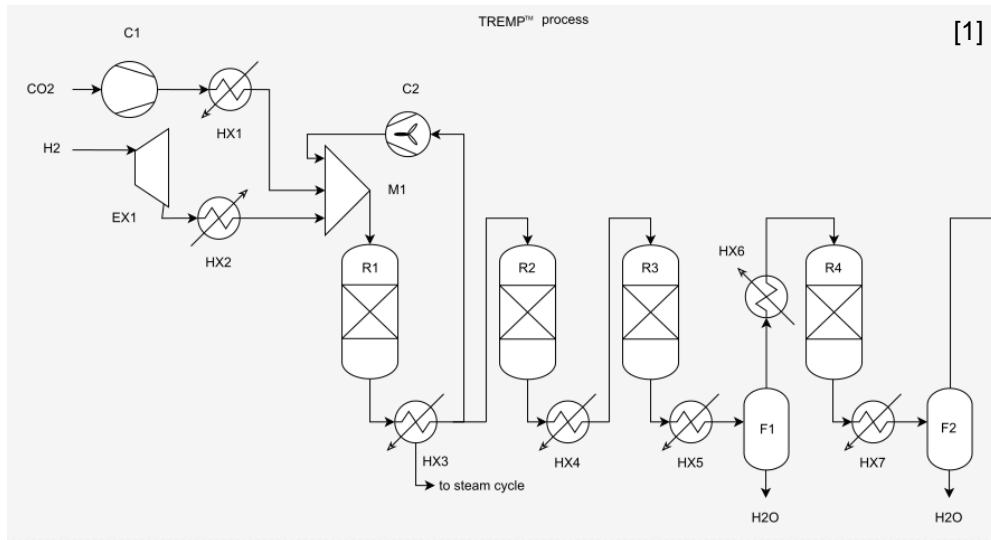
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## Example: LNG production



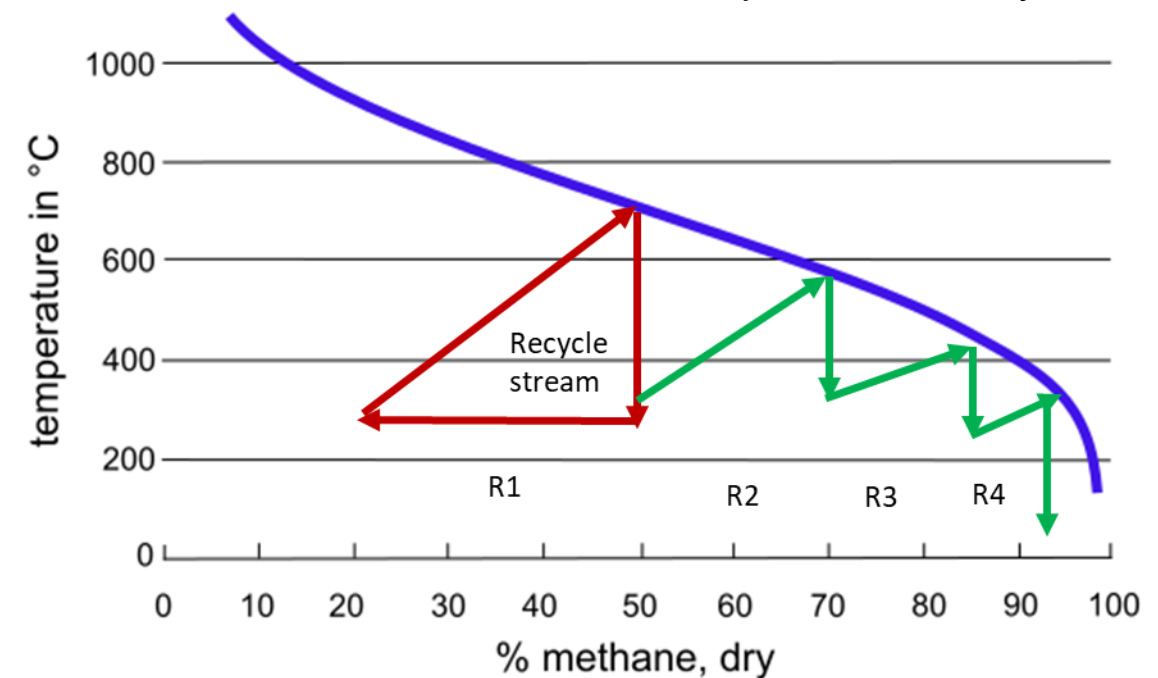
### Advanced TREMP™-process



Simulation assumptions:

- No impurities
- No side reactions

- High temperature in R1
  - Steam cycle
  - Superior efficiency



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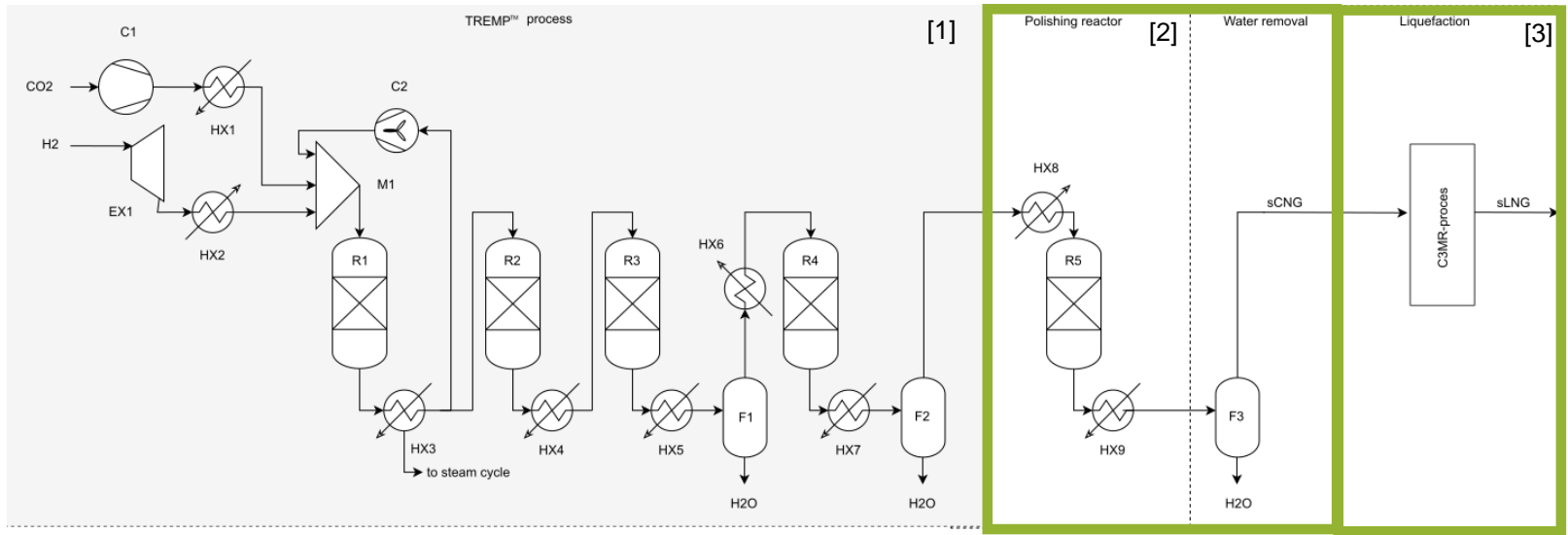


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- Adjustment for LNG export
  - Composition [2]  
DIN EN 16723-2:2017-10
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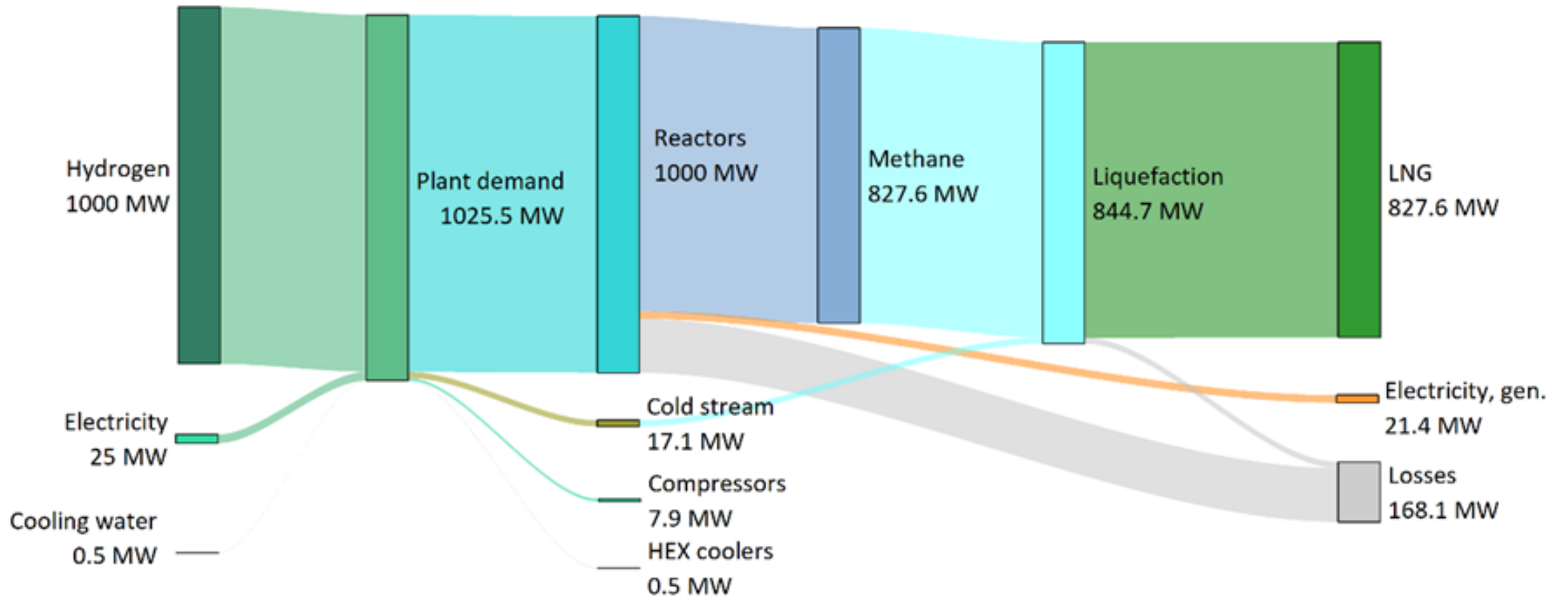
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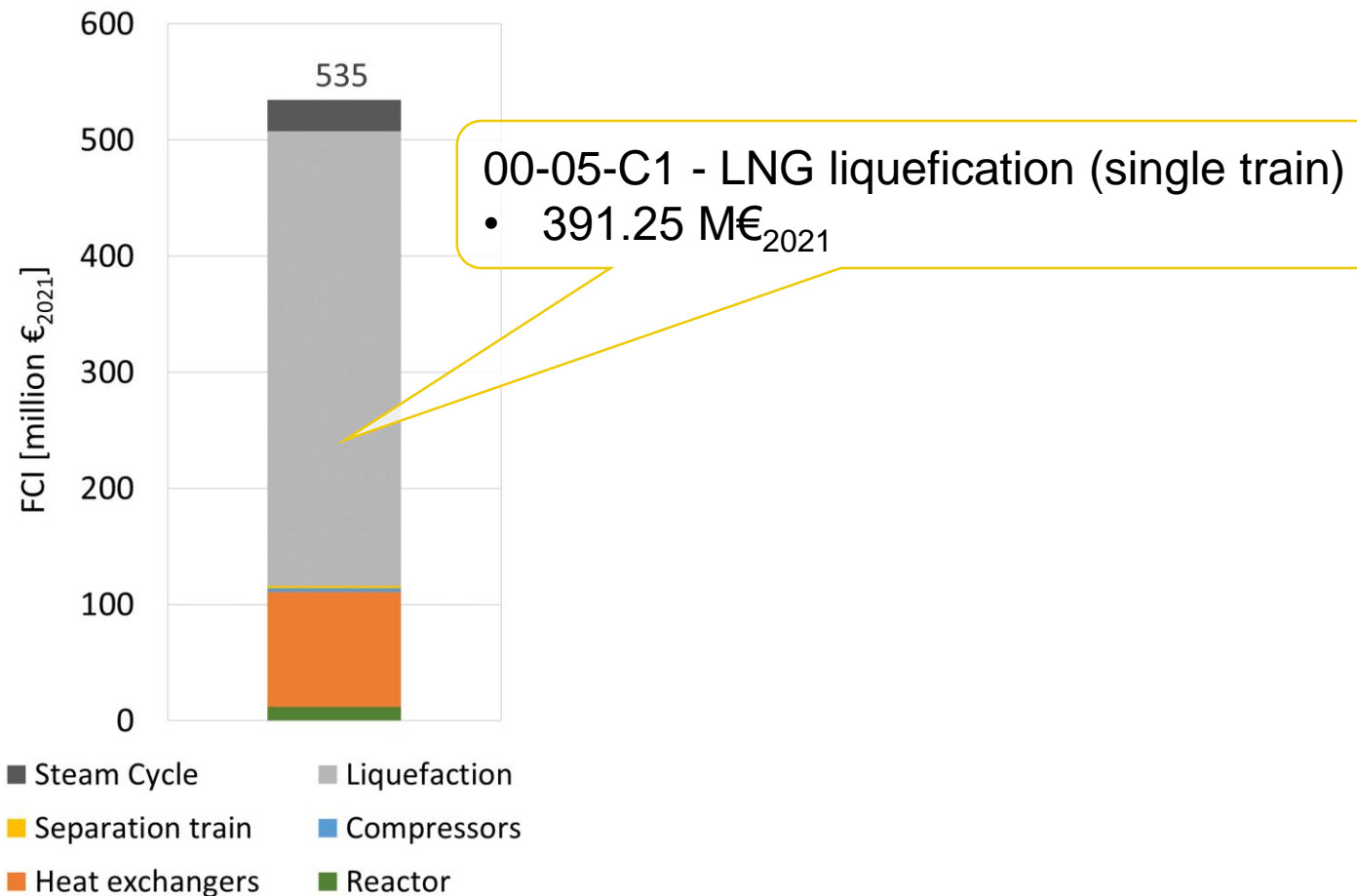


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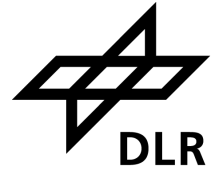
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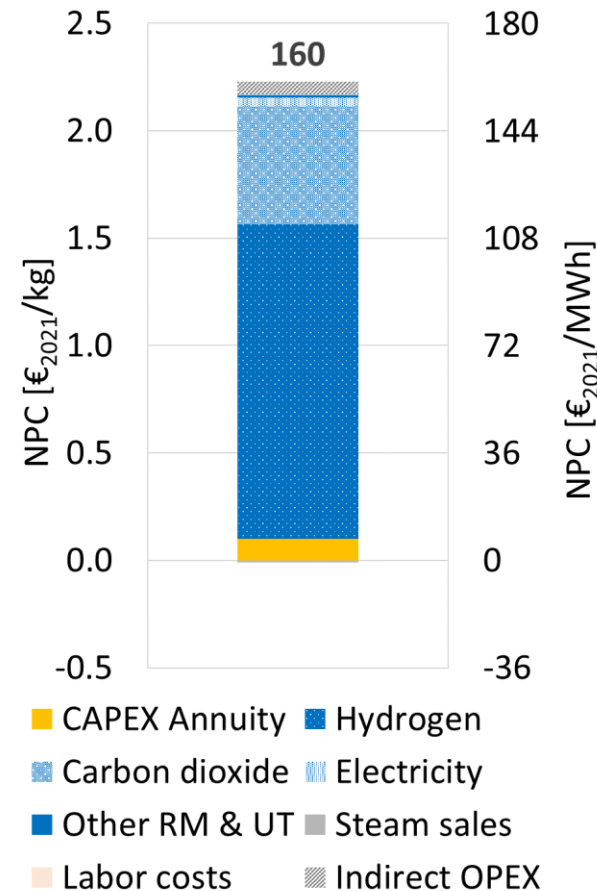
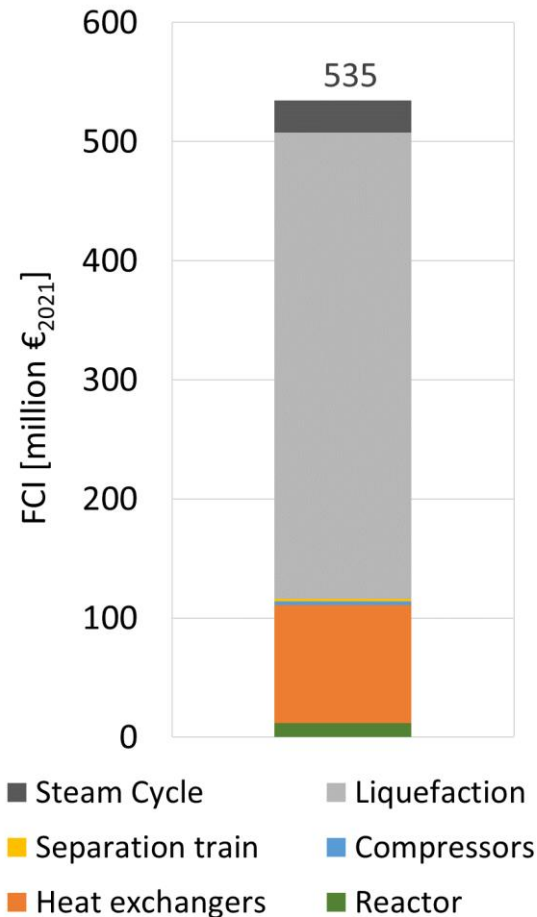
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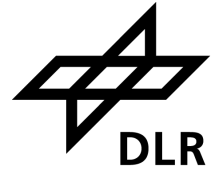


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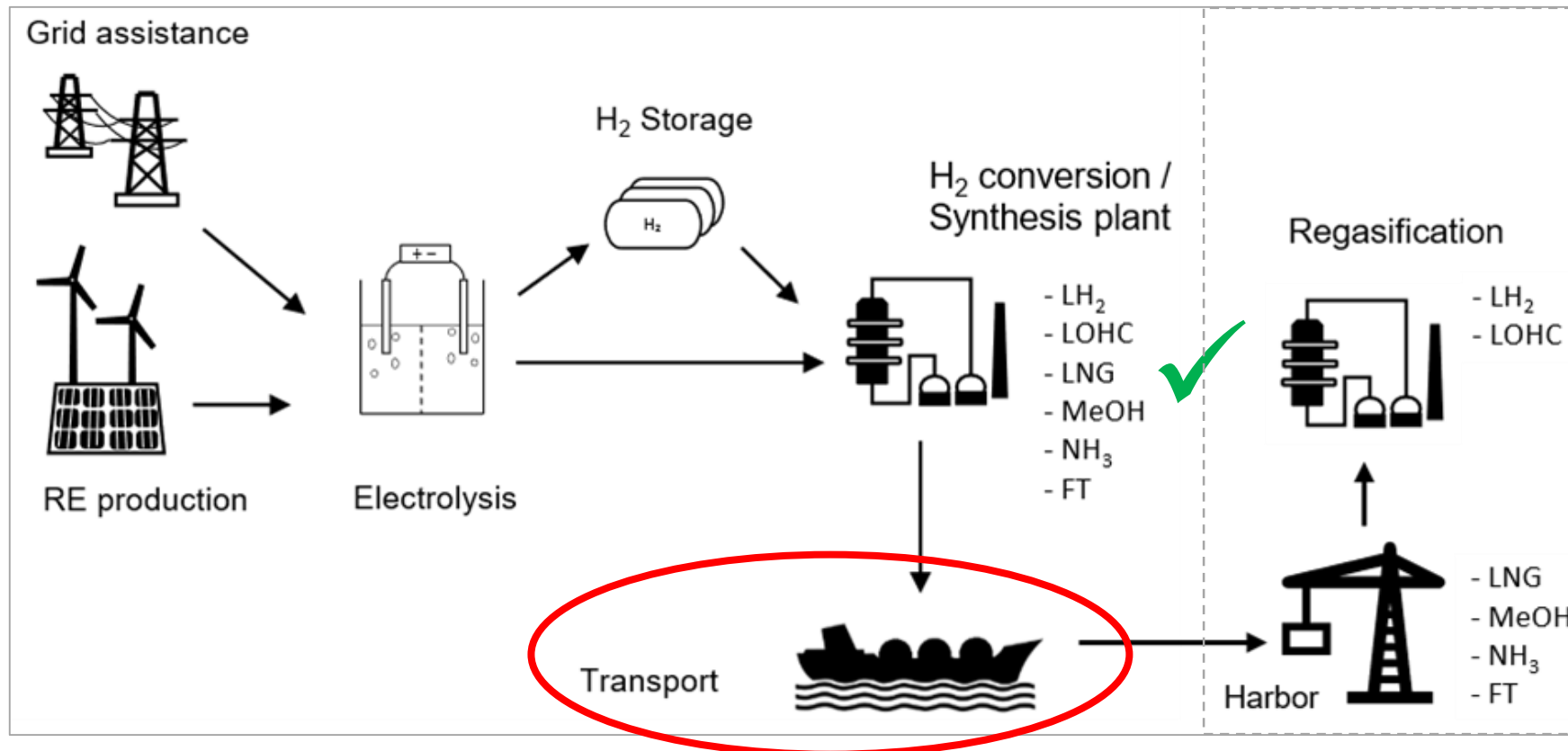
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# TRANSPORT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY VIA HYDROGEN AND DERIVATES

# Large Scale RE transport overseas [1]



- Example: Tsau Khaeb National Park, Namibia
- Destination: WHV, Germany



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# Large Scale RE transport

## See transport options



- See transport options – different scale, fuel consumption, TRL, ...



- 160 Tm<sup>3</sup> LH2 by mid-2020, commercial in early '30s [1]

- 160 Tm<sup>3</sup> LH2 = 0.4 TWh<sub>LHV</sub> = 2.9 ktoe

- 265 Tm<sup>3</sup> commercial Q-Max LNG carrier fleet [2]

- 265 Tm<sup>3</sup> LNG = 1.6 TWh<sub>LHV</sub> = 80.7 ktoe

- Up to 500 Tm<sup>3</sup> commercial Ultra Large Crude Carrier fleet [3]

- 500 Tm<sup>3</sup> FT-Crude = 4.9 TWh<sub>LHV</sub> = 250 ktoe

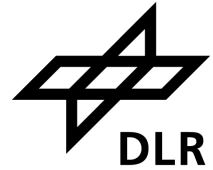
[1] Kawasaki Obtains AIP for Large, 160 Tm<sup>3</sup> Liquid Hydrogen Carrier. [https://global.kawasaki.com/en/corp/newsroom/news/detail/?f=20220422\\_3378](https://global.kawasaki.com/en/corp/newsroom/news/detail/?f=20220422_3378)

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Technical performance given in efficiencies

- Hydrogen efficiency
- Energetic efficiency
- Carbon efficiency

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[4] [Methanol Price|Methanol Institute|www.methanol.org](https://www.methanol.org) (Rotterdam)

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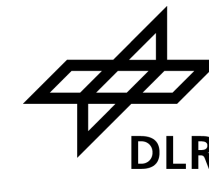
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	€ <sub>2021</sub> MWh <sub>LHV,F</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	150	107**	160	199	141	283
Fossil sales price	€ <sub>2021</sub> MWh <sub>LHV,F</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	43.1 – 56.5 <sup>[2]</sup>	43.1 – 56.5 <sup>[2]</sup>	43.34 <sup>[3]</sup>	77.2 <sup>[4]</sup>	86.2 <sup>[5]</sup>	69.0 <sup>[6]</sup>
Renewable/fossil		3.48-2.65	2.48-1.89**	3.69	2.58	1.64	4.10

Net production costs are **not sales prices!!!**

- Comparison with fossil commodity prices show **factors** of price increase

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Transport cost	€ <sub>2021</sub> MWh <sub>LHV,F</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	8.4	6.6**	5.9	3.9	5.3	5.0
Regasification cost	€ <sub>2021</sub> MWh <sub>LHV,F</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	9.0	26.7***	5.4	-	-	-
Specific FCI	€ <sub>2021</sub> kW <sub>LHV,F</sub> <sup>-1</sup>	1,365	874*	656	475	347	799
OPEX	M€ <sub>2021</sub> a <sup>-1</sup>	1,035	230*	1,059	1,084	786	1,123

Transport and regasification efforts are not neglectable

- Transport safety
- Harbor capacity
- Regulation
- ...

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The background of the slide is a high-resolution photograph of a satellite in orbit. The satellite is a rectangular platform with two long, thin solar panel arrays extending horizontally from its central body. The panels are covered in a grid of small, square solar cells. The satellite is positioned in the center of the frame, with the Earth's surface visible below. The Earth shows a mix of green landmasses, blue oceans, and white cloud cover. The curvature of the Earth is visible on the right side of the image, where the atmosphere transitions into the blackness of space.

# SUMMARY & OUTLOOK

# Techno Economic Assessment of P-t-X Import



## Summary

- Large-scale transport of renewable energy via hydrogen and derivatives is one pillar of Germany's and Europe's energy strategy
- Standardized techno-economic assessment helps to identify business cases, to quantify project and roadmap validity
- Renewable energy generation at “sweet spots” has to be balanced against transformation and transport cost to become valuable for domestic energy transition → CO<sub>2</sub> abatement cost at home!

**Transparent, standardized DLR assessment methodology can support**

**→ PtX technology selection and improvement,  
sweet spot and feedstock search, regulation adjustment, ... !**

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