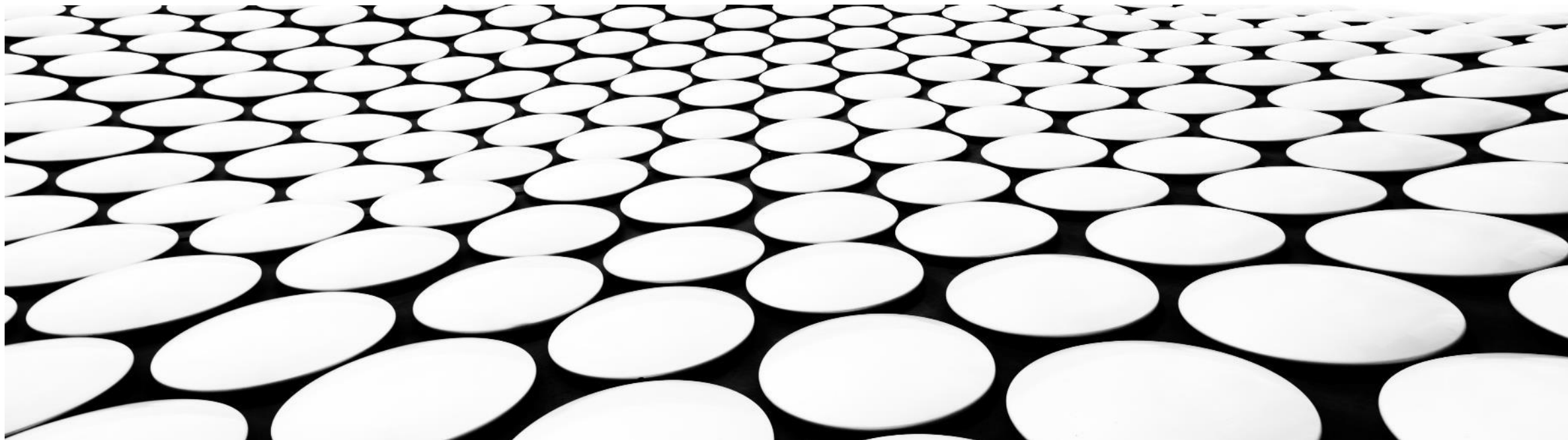




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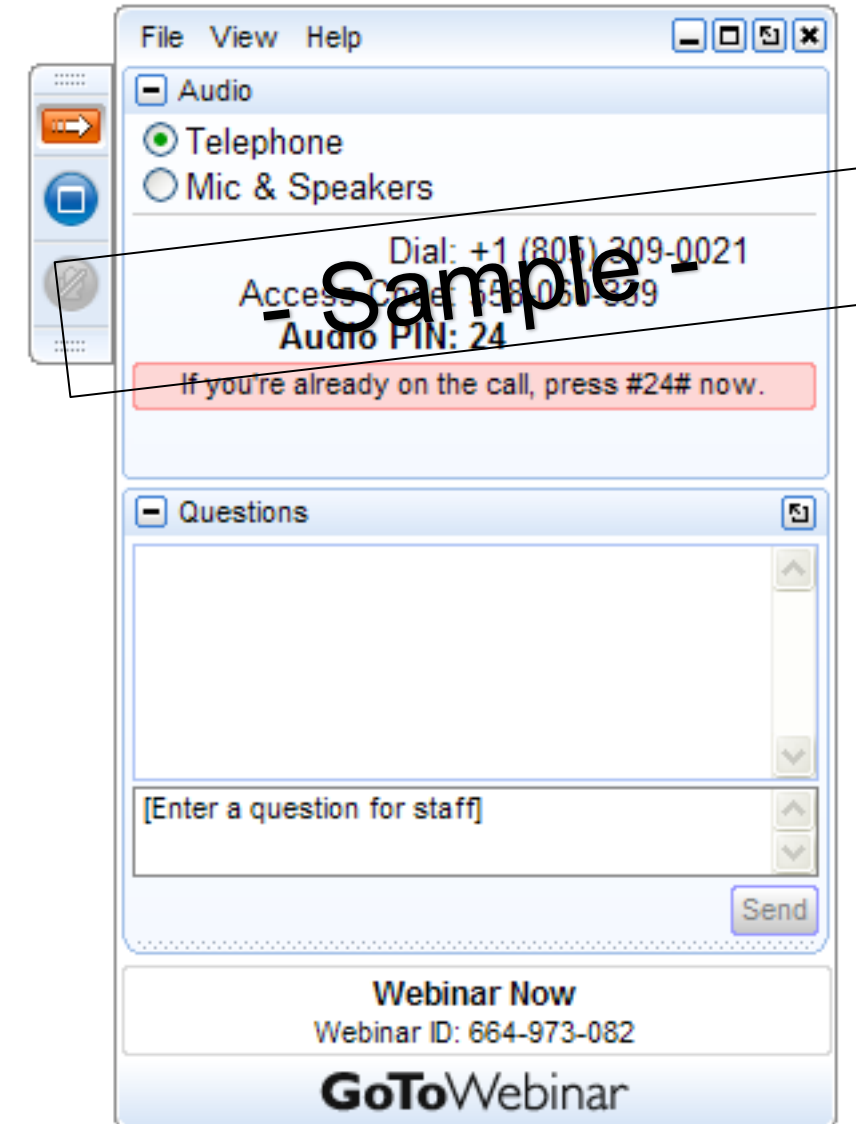


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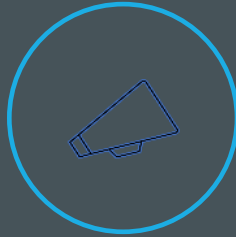
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Hydrogen 101 – Myths vs. Facts



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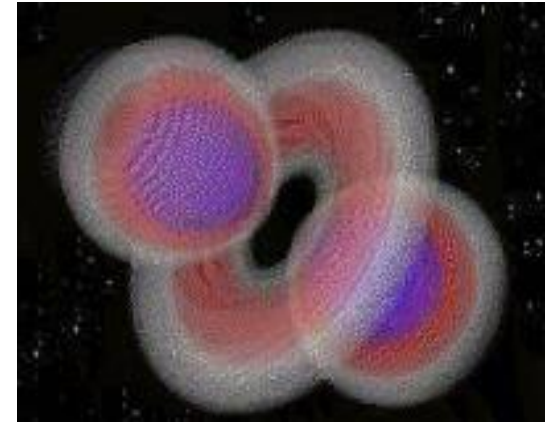
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Hydrogen Properties

Molecular Hydrogen Properties

- Gaseous specific gravity of 0.0695 at atmospheric pressure
 - H_2 molecular weight = 2
- Boiling point of $-423^\circ F$ ($-252.8^\circ C$) at atmospheric pressure
- Colorless
- Odorless
- Tasteless
- Non-toxic
- *Flammable* gas
 - Higher heating value (HHV) = 60,958 BTU/lb (141,670 kJ/kg)
 - Lower heating value (LHV) = 51,571 BTU/lb (119,855 kJ/kg)



Some Hydrogen Myths

- Hydrogen is not safe
- Hydrogen is fossil
- Hydrogen will be more expensive than other zero emission options
- Hydrogen is less efficient than other zero emission options
- Hydrogen leaks too much
- Hydrogen is not compatible in current infrastructure

Hydrogen Safety

- Risk scenarios must consider: (1) flammability, (2) density, (3) diffusivity, (4) ignition energy, (5) total energy available

Density:

- Hydrogen is the lightest element and molecule.
- H₂ is 8 times lighter than natural gas. Per unit of energy contained, H₂ weighs 64% less than gasoline or 61% less than natural gas.
- Hydrogen is 14.4 times lighter than air. Natural gas is only 1.7 times lighter than air.

Diffusivity:

- Hydrogen is four times more diffusive than natural gas and 11 times more diffusive than gasoline fumes. H₂ is most diffusive fuel.

Total Available Energy:

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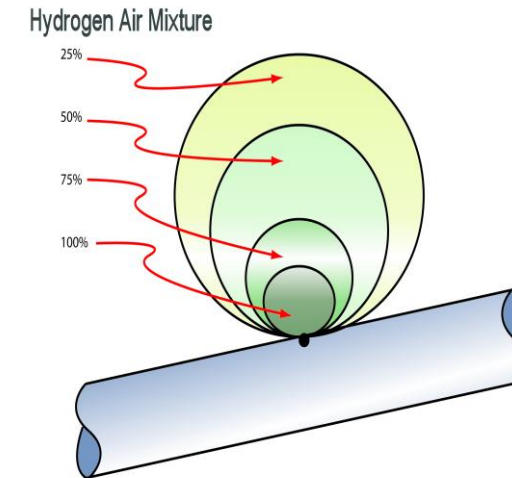
**Density, Diffusivity, Available Energy metrics
H₂ unequivocally safer than current fuels!**

Hydrogen Safety – Flammability Limits

Property	Hydrogen	Methane	Propane	Gasoline
Lower Flammability Limit	4%	5.3%	1.7%	1.0%
Lower Detonation Limit	18.3%	6.3%	3.1%	1.1%
Upper Detonation Limit	59%	13.5%	9.2%	3.3%
Upper Flammability Limit	75%	17%	10.9%	6.0%
Auto Ignition Temperature	585 C	537 C	450 C	228-471 C
Minimum Ignition Energy	0.017 mJ	0.274 mJ	0.240 mJ	0.240 mJ



- Upper Flammability Limit is of less practical consequence
- Radius of concern is defined by LFL
- Safety sensors design for % of LFL
- 4 times higher concentration than gasoline required to get flammability yet it disperses 11 times faster. It is only half as likely as gasoline to ignite in open air.

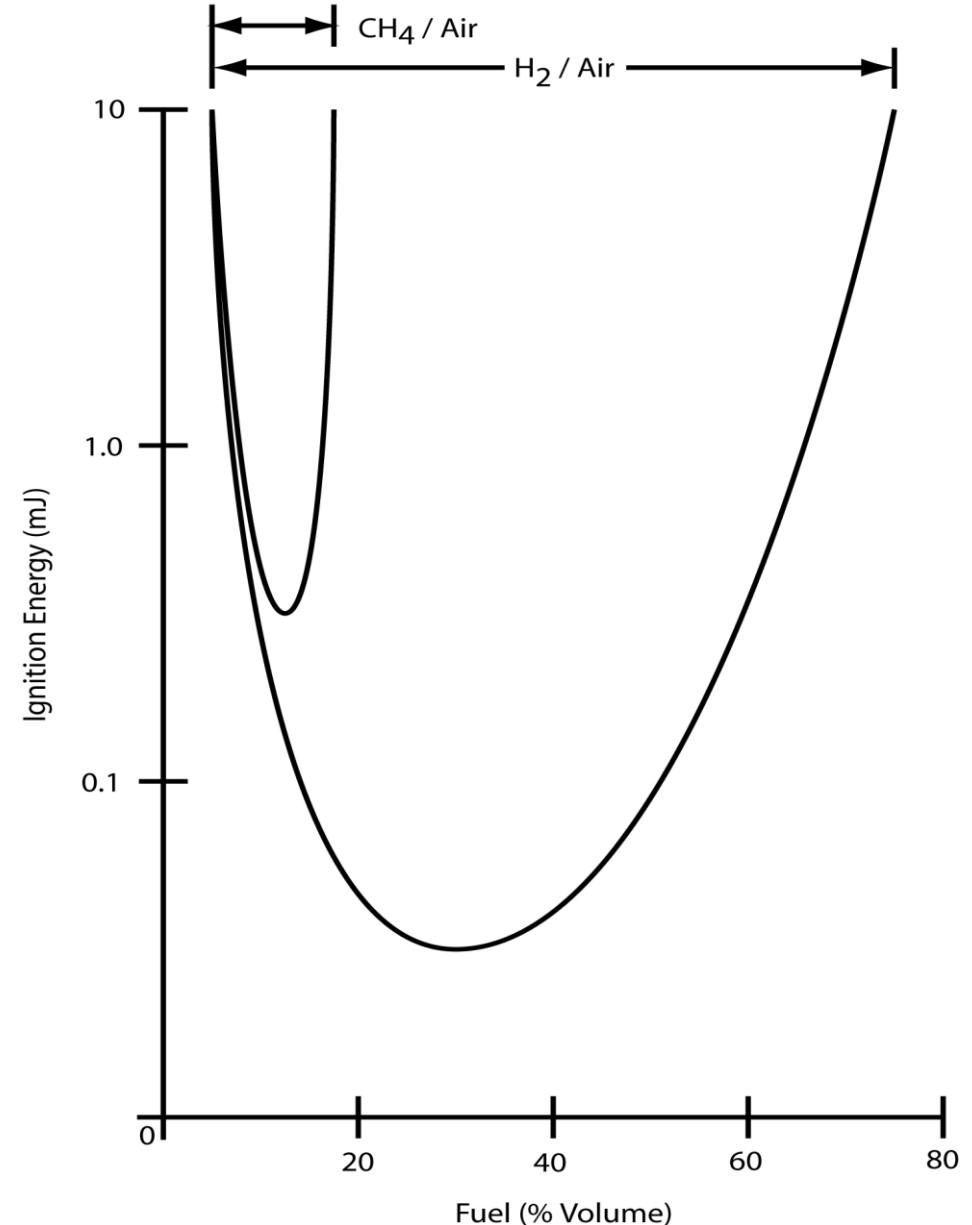


Hydrogen Safety – Ignition Energy

- Lowest ignition energy at stoichiometric point.
- At 4-10% concentrations (at LFL, common leak scenario), ignition energy of H₂ is comparable to natural gas.
- Tendency to ignite and burn before large energy accumulation occurs.
- Typical static shock is 10 mJ. It could ignite methane, propane, gasoline and hydrogen.

Figure from: Air Products
via Jay Keller, ICHS, 2009

Flammability Limits



Hydrogen saved lives in the Hindenburg disaster

- 36 out of 97 died mostly trapped by the fire of fabric, diesel fuel, furniture, ... or jumping (not hydrogen)
- The craft did not explode but burned & while burning stayed aloft (hydrogen still in the nose)
- The craft fell to the ground tail first – the nose was still full of hydrogen
- Radiation from the flame was red, orange and yellow – hydrogen flames emit in the near UV (mostly blue in color)
- Main Cause: The covering was coated with cellulose nitrate or cellulose acetate -- both flammable materials. Furthermore, the cellulose material was impregnated with aluminum flakes to reflect sunlight. -- Dr. Addison Bain
- A similar fire took place when an airship with an acetate-aluminum skin burned in Georgia & it used **helium** (not hydrogen)

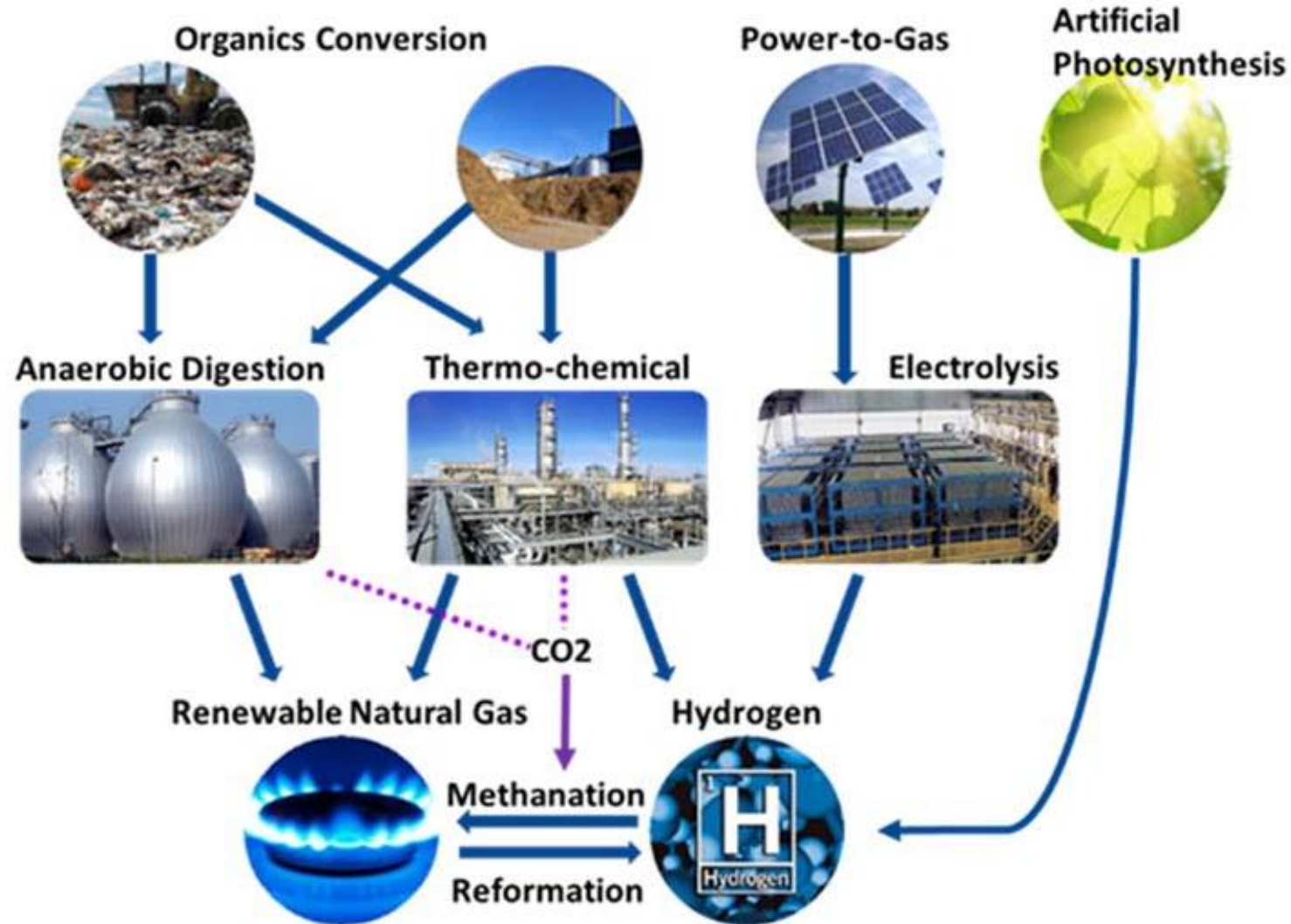


Hydrogen is different
Certainly can be as
safe as current fuels!



Hydrogen is NOT Fossil – Energy Carrier

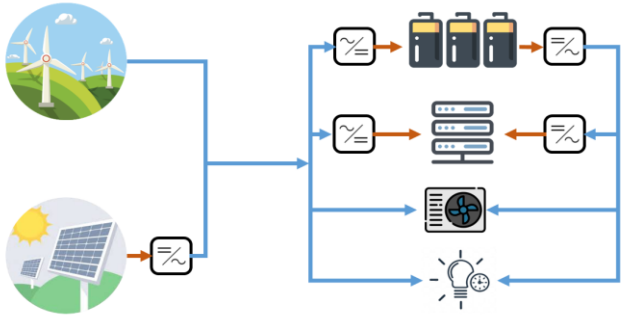
Many Important Renewable Pathways



Cost of Hydrogen for 100% Zero Emissions

Data Center Configurations/Locations Modeled

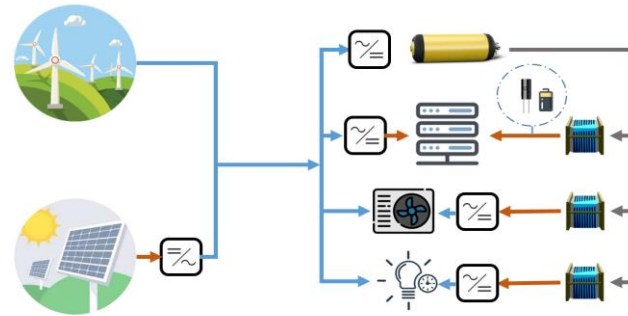
Battery - Central Storage



Data Center powered directly from renewable generators when available. Excess of electricity stored in batteries.

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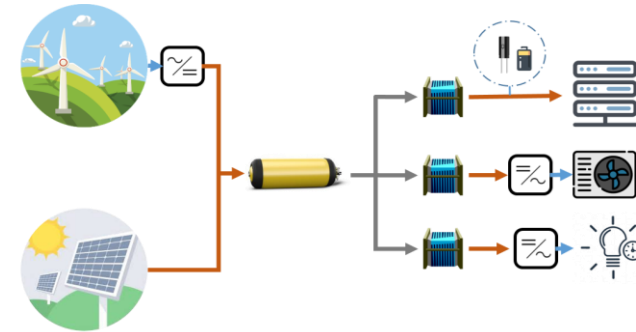
Excess power to gas



Data Center powered directly from renewable generators when available. Excess of electricity converted to hydrogen and used when required.

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Cost of Hydrogen for 100% Zero Emissions

Excess P2G & Battery Cases – Wyoming (optimal mix of solar/wind)

	Hydrogen Case					Battery Case		
	Wind Onshore	Solar PV	Electrolyzer	Fuel Cell	LH2 Storage + Liquefaction	Wind onshore	Solar PV	Battery
Size, MW (MWh)	48	271	100	55		31	177	21,781
Dewar, ton					520.6			
Liquefier, kg/s					0.57			
OM fixed, M\$/yr	0.43	1.19	0.31	0.18	0.335	0.28	0.78	306.5
OM var, \$/MWh	-	-	39.14	154.7				
Cooling cost, \$/h					23.6			
Energy cost, \$/h					799.2			
Capital, M\$	43.40	196.01	62.25	35.35	67.0	28.43	128.43	6224.1
Cell capex, M\$								3396.5
Power conversion capex, M\$								2823.4
BOS capex, M\$								2.12
Dewar cost, M\$					13.8			
Liquefier cost, M\$					53.2			
WACC _{inf}	6.86E-2	6.86E-2	6.86E-2	6.86E-2	7.06E-2	6.86E-2	6.86E-2	7.06E-2
LCOH(E), \$/MWh	29.57	67.05	131.5	371.2	23.2	29.57	67.05	4,744.5
LCOH, \$/kg (EZ+stor)			5.16					
LCOE, \$/MWh_e			119.82				4,798.20	

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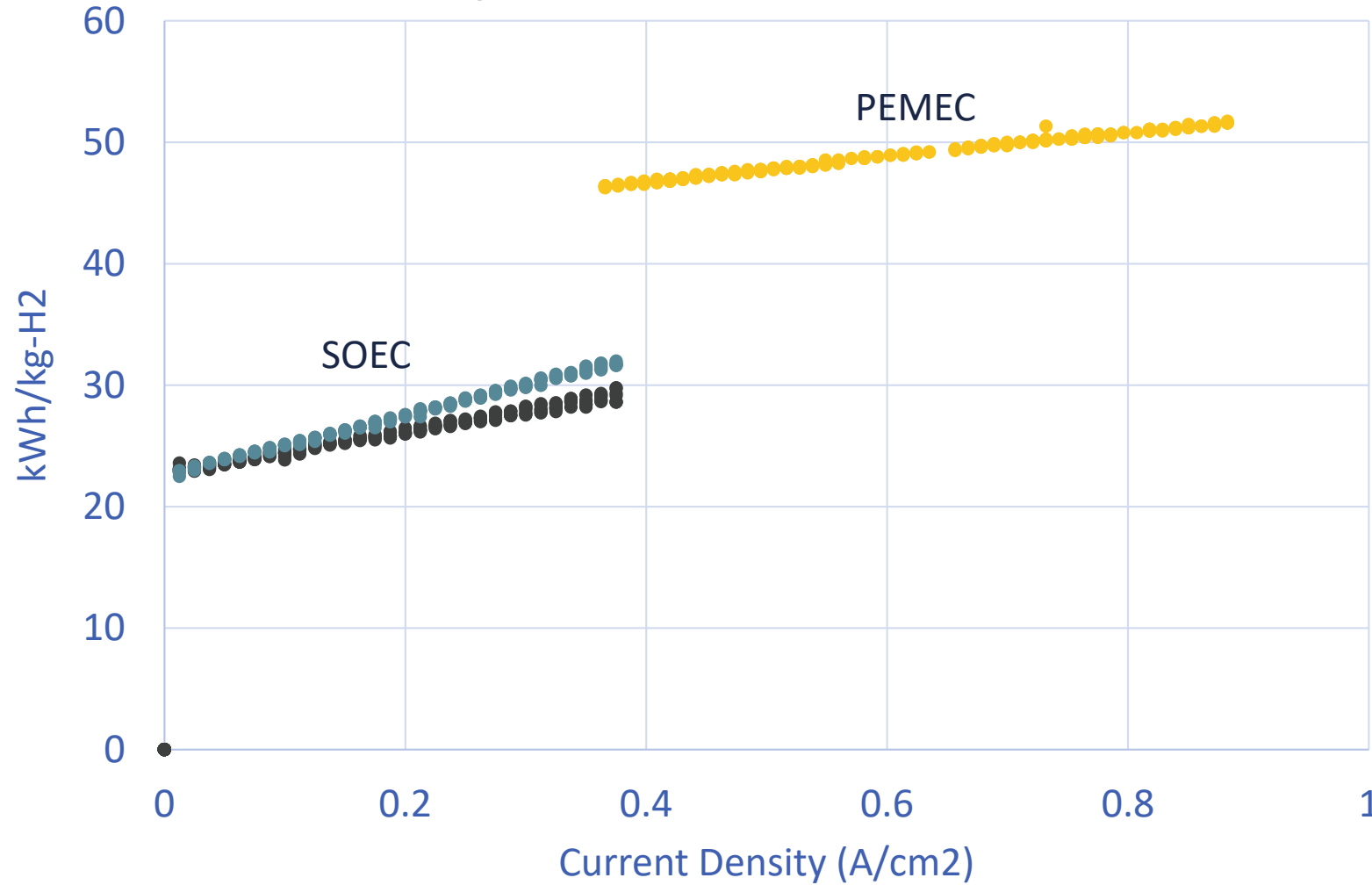
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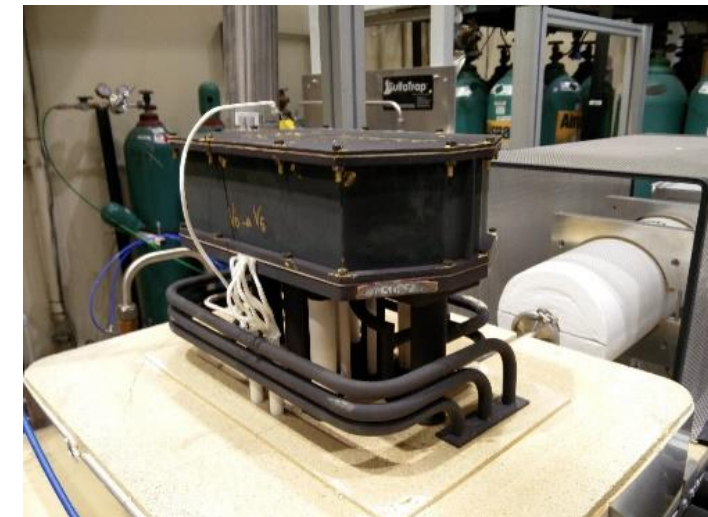
Every H2 case for 100% renewable w/ all storage is significantly cheaper!

Efficiency of Emerging Electrolysis Systems

- Can achieve much higher round-trip efficiency



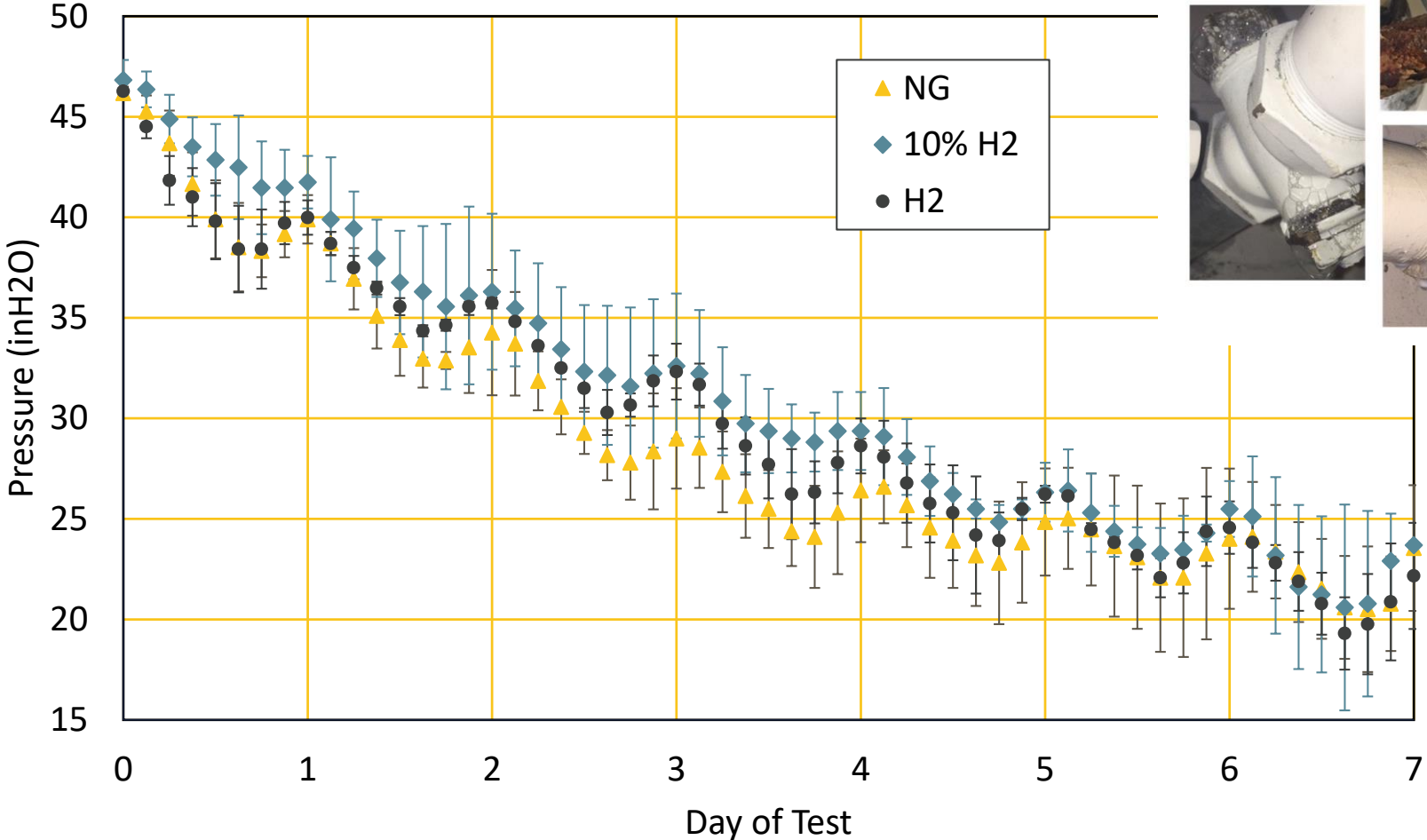
- 0% CO₂ - 10% H₂
- 60% CO₂ - 10% H₂
- PEMEC



H₂ leakage from NG Infrastructure

H₂ injection into existing natural gas infrastructure (low pressure)

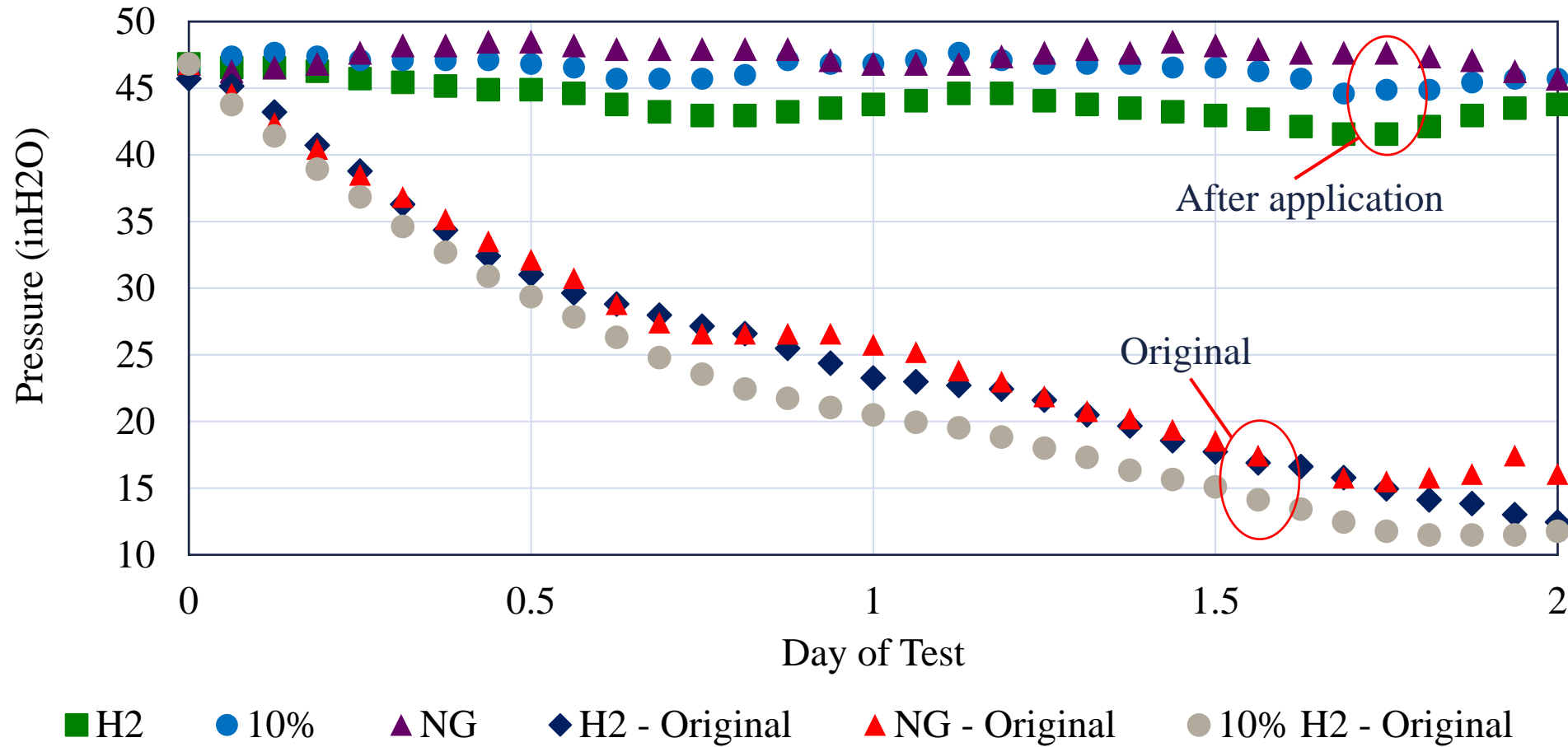
- NG, H₂/NG mixtures, H₂ leak at same rate



H₂ leakage mitigation technologies

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- Copper epoxy applied (Ace Duraflow®) to mitigate H₂ leaks

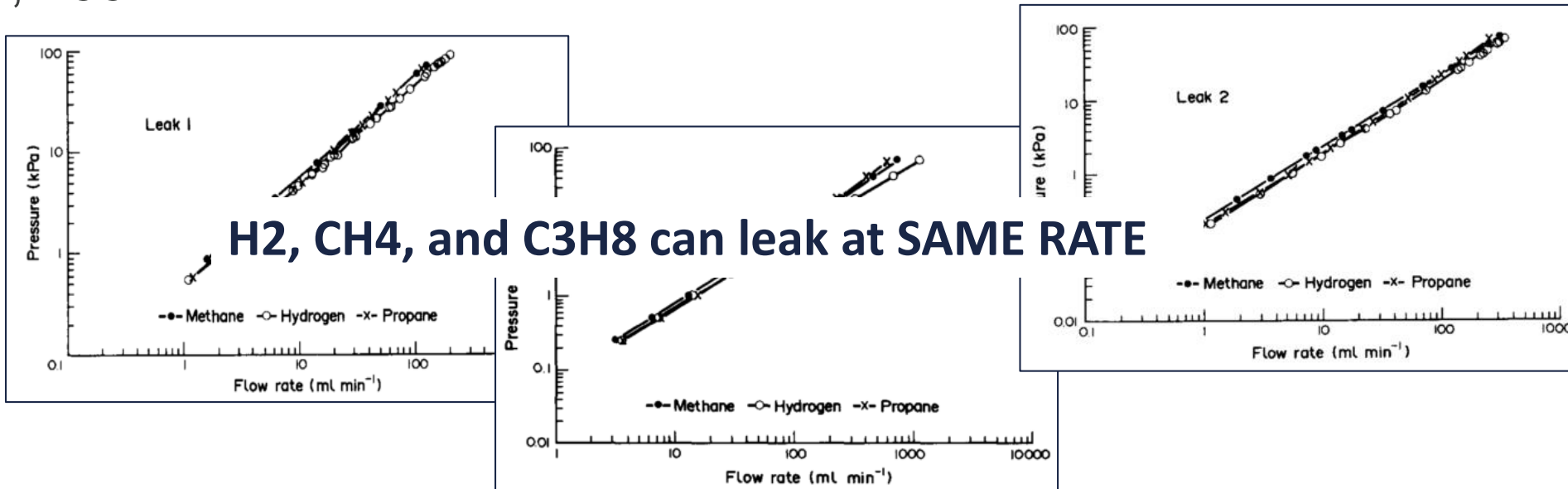


H₂ Leakage Rates

- Results from a previous study (1992) support our recent findings!

Leakage Flow Regime	Ratio of flow between H ₂ and CH ₄
Diffusion (diffusion constant)	3.15
Laminar (viscosity)	1.29
Turbulent (density)	2.83

- First publication on this topic: Swain & Swain, Int'l J. Hydrogen Energy, Vol. 17, pp. 807-815, 1992.

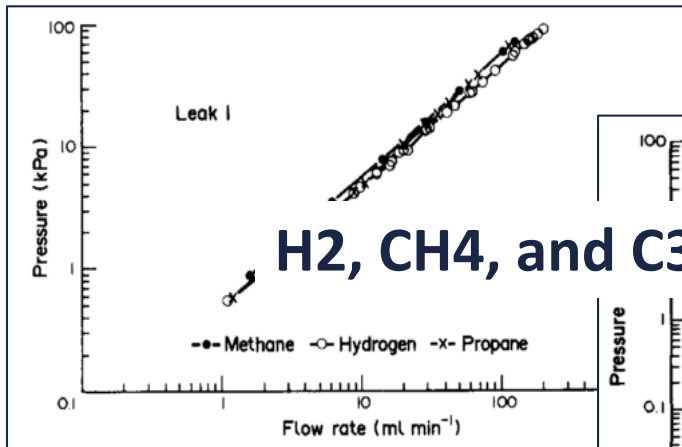


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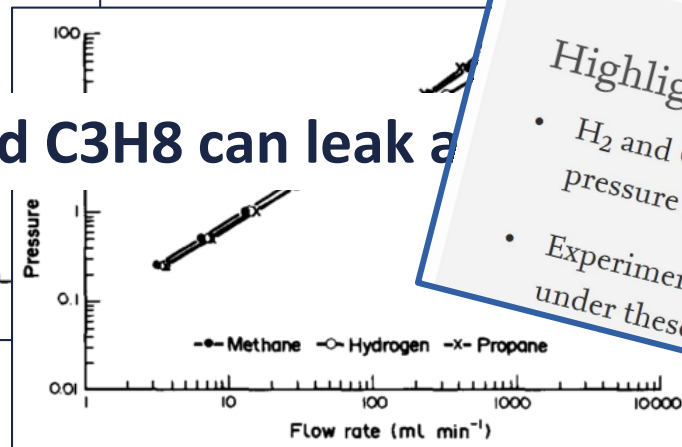
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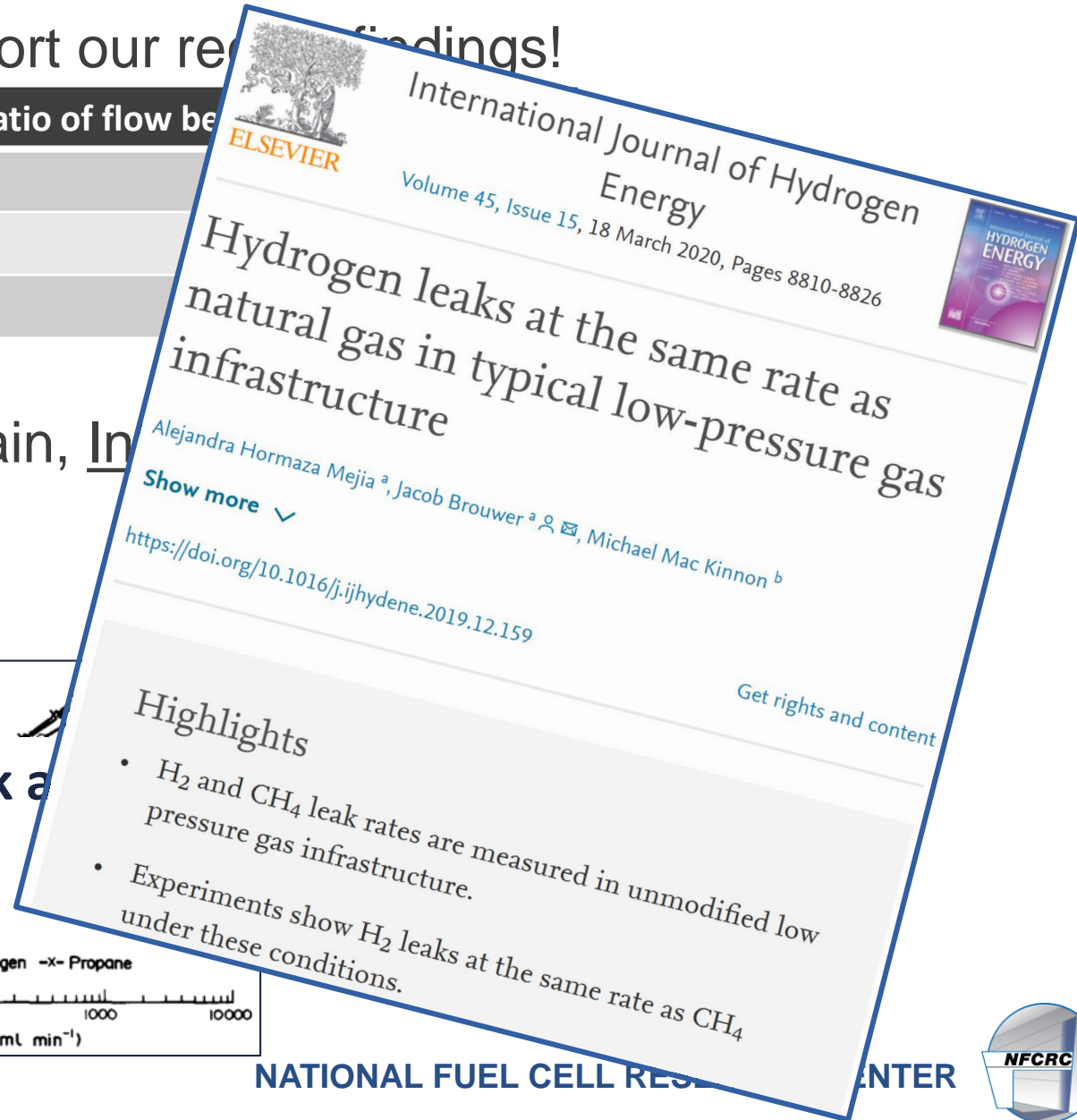
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H₂, CH₄, and C₃H₈ can leak at the same rate



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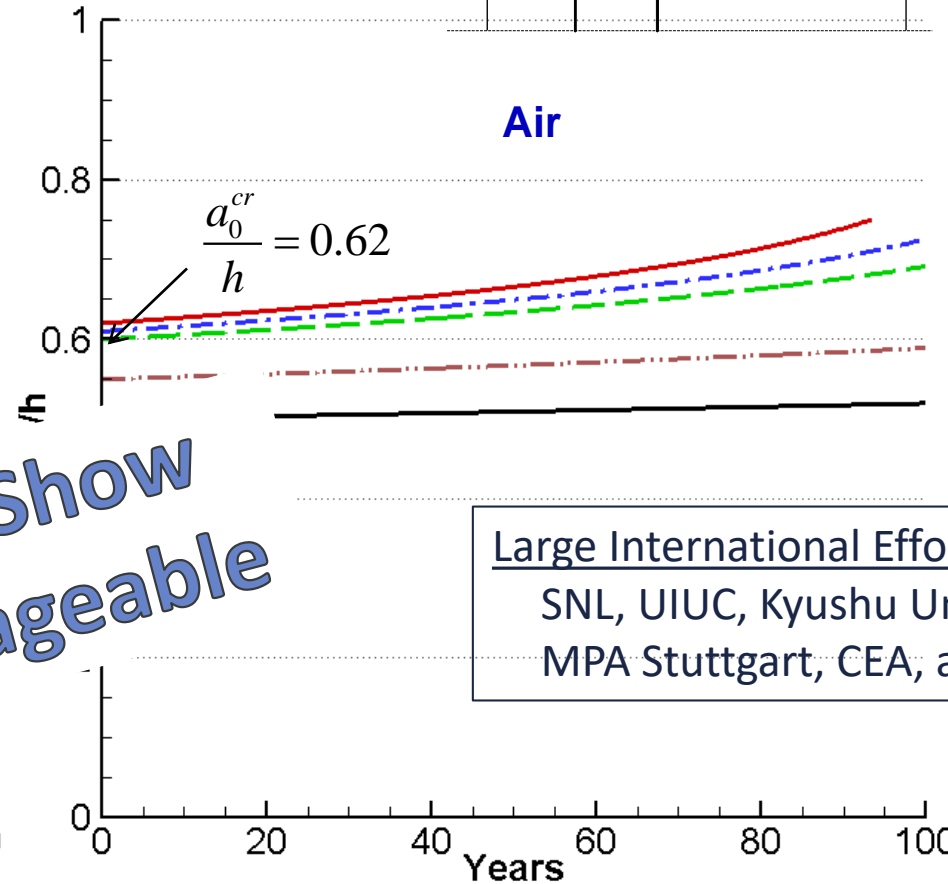
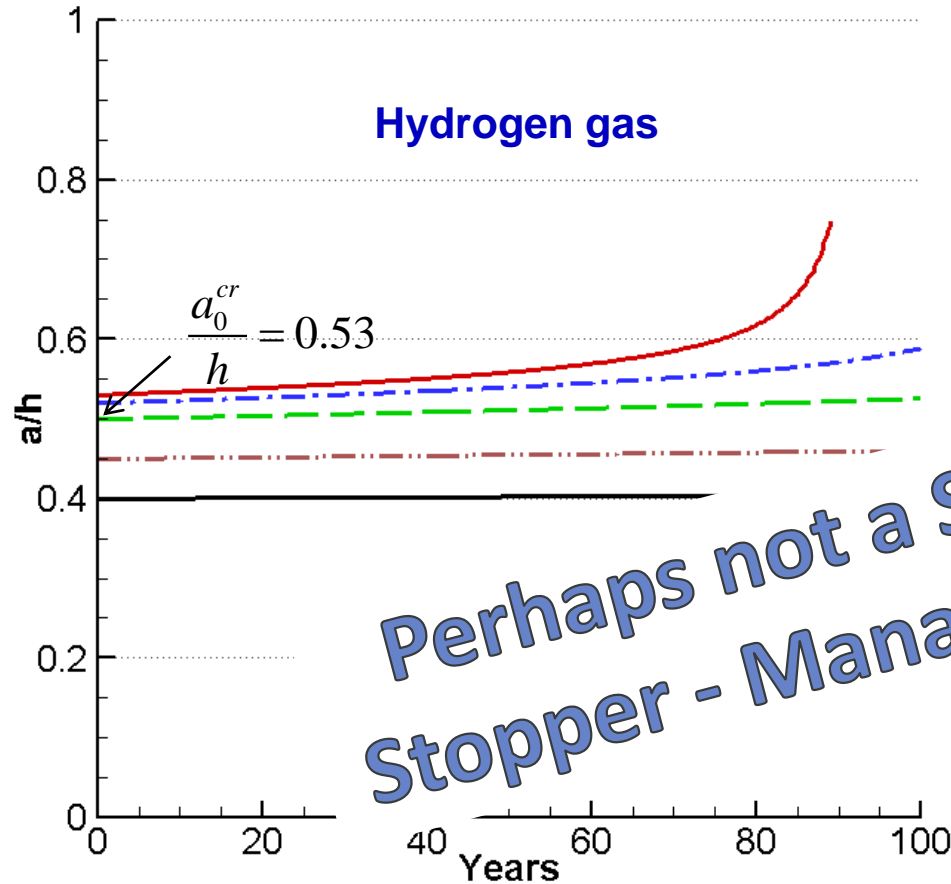
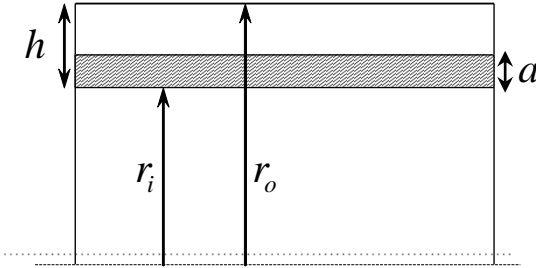


Hydrogen Steel Pipeline Embrittlement

Simulation of H2 embrittlement and fatigue crack growth with UIUC

- Fatigue crack growth in 6" SoCalGas pipeline

0.188" wall thickness: ($h = 0.188" = 4.8 \text{ mm}$)



Perhaps not a Show Stopper - Manageable

Large International Effort Underway
SNL, UIUC, Kyushu Univ.,
MPA Stuttgart, CEA, and others

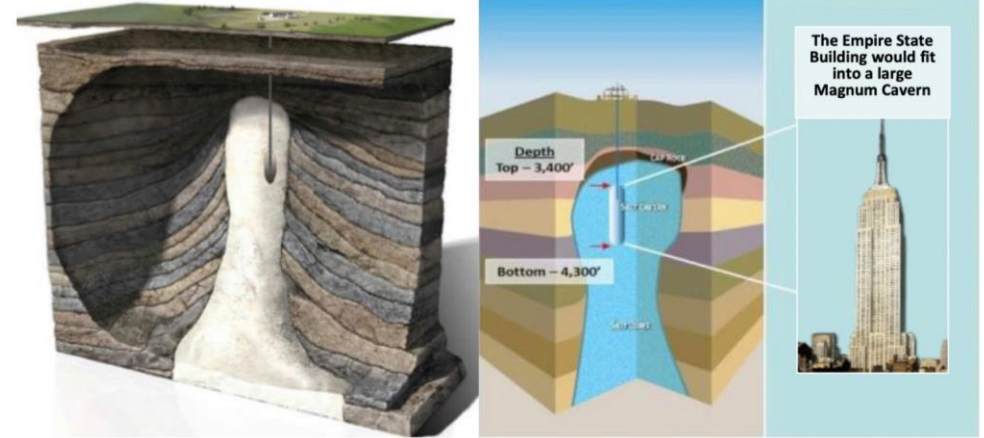
Hydrogen Massive Storage Facility Transformation

Salt Caverns already widely used and proven

- Air Liquide & Praxair operating H₂ salt cavern storage in Texas since 2016
 - Very low leakage rate
 - Massive energy storage
 - Safe & Low-cost storage
- Similar success in Europe
- Magnum working with LADWP to adopt similar salt cavern H₂ storage in Utah

Current CA depleted oil and gas fields not yet used or proven for H₂ use

- Several research and development needs
 - H₂ leakage
 - H₂ reaction with petroleum remnants
 - H₂ biological interactions
 - H₂ storage capacity
 - H₂ safety



Plan for storing hydrogen in Utah salt caverns

Images: Los Angeles Department of Water and Power



Some Hydrogen Subtle Untruths – Popular Thinking

Zero Emissions Strategy:

- 100% renewable (solar, wind, geothermal, ...) power generation
- Electrify ~~all~~ end-uses **some**
- Use batteries to handle **some** intermittency on grid & for **some** end-uses

Arguments against hydrogen & fuel cells:

- Most hydrogen today is made from fossil fuels (natural gas)
- Making hydrogen from water & electricity is less efficient than charging a battery
- Making electricity from hydrogen in a fuel cell is less efficient than a battery (i.e., round-trip efficiency is lower than a battery **except for long duration storage!**)
- Hydrogen is difficult to store and move around in society **compared to fossil fuels!**



I agree with most of this!

Subtly untruthful - Not the whole story

Hydrogen Facts – Unique Zero Emissions Features

Hydrogen: 11 features required for 100% zero carbon & pollutant emissions

- Massive energy storage potential
- Rapid vehicle fueling
- Long vehicle range
- Heavy vehicle/ship/train payload
- Seasonal (long duration) storage potential
- Sufficient raw materials on earth
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Review Article

Hydrogen is essential for sustainability

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Sustainable energy conversion requires zero emissions of greenhouse gases and criteria pollutants using primary energy sources that the earth naturally replenishes quickly, like renewable resources. Solar and wind power conversion technologies have become cost effective recently, but challenges remain to manage electrical grid dynamics and to meet end-use requirements for energy dense fuels and chemicals. Renewable hydrogen provides the best opportunity for a zero emissions fuel and is the best feedstock for production of zero emission liquid fuels and some chemical and heat end-uses. Renewable hydrogen can be made at very high efficiency using electrolysis systems that are dynamically operated to complement renewable wind and solar power dynamics. Hydrogen can be stored within the existing natural gas system to provide low cost massive storage capacity that (1) could be sufficient to enable a 100% zero emissions grid; (2) has sufficient energy density for end-uses including heavy duty transport; (3) is a building block for zero emissions fertilizer and chemicals; and (4) enables sustainable primary energy in all sectors of the economy.

electricity generation, and industrial applications, will increase substantially over this century [7–14].

Since the Industrial Revolution, the vast majority of energy converted in society has been obtained from fossil fuels – coal, natural gas, and petroleum – which require tremendously long times for earth and the power of the sun to produce. This trend is widely expected to continue in coming decades [15–18]. Although the available global quantity of these fuels is extremely large, they are nevertheless finite and so will inevitably ‘run out’ at some near future time as we consume them much faster than the earth produces them [19]. A primary reason for their continued use is economics – energy from fossil fuels has been more cost effective than most other sustainable forms of energy, including renewable resources.

In addition, the continued use of fossil fuels is associated with increased criteria pollutant and greenhouse gas emissions [20]. Emissions from fossil fuel combustion degrade air quality, pose human health risks, and drive global climate change. In 2017, global energy-related CO₂ emissions reached an historic high of 32.5 Gt as a result of

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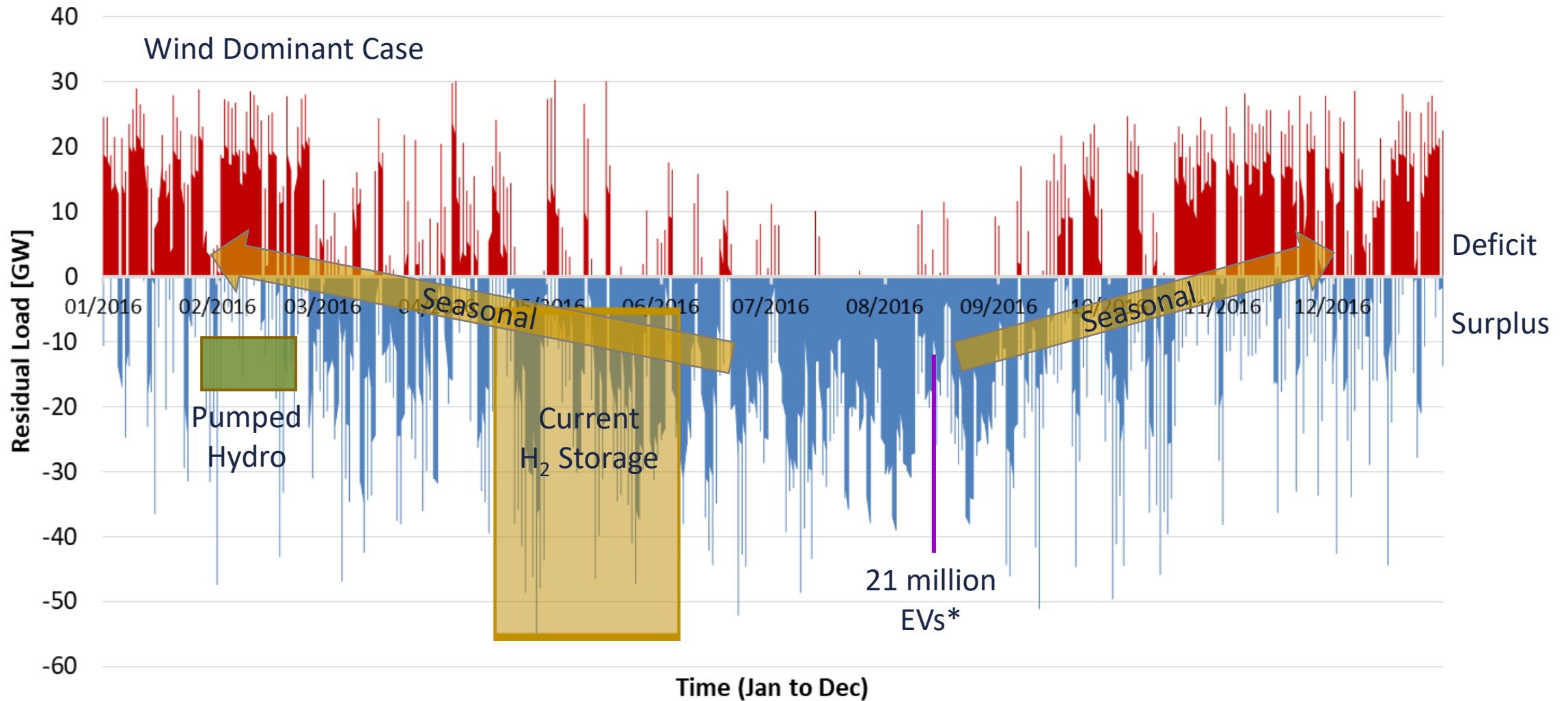
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Hydrogen is Essential for Sustainability, *Current*

Opinion in Electrochemistry, 2019.



Massive Storage Required for 100% Renewable – CA



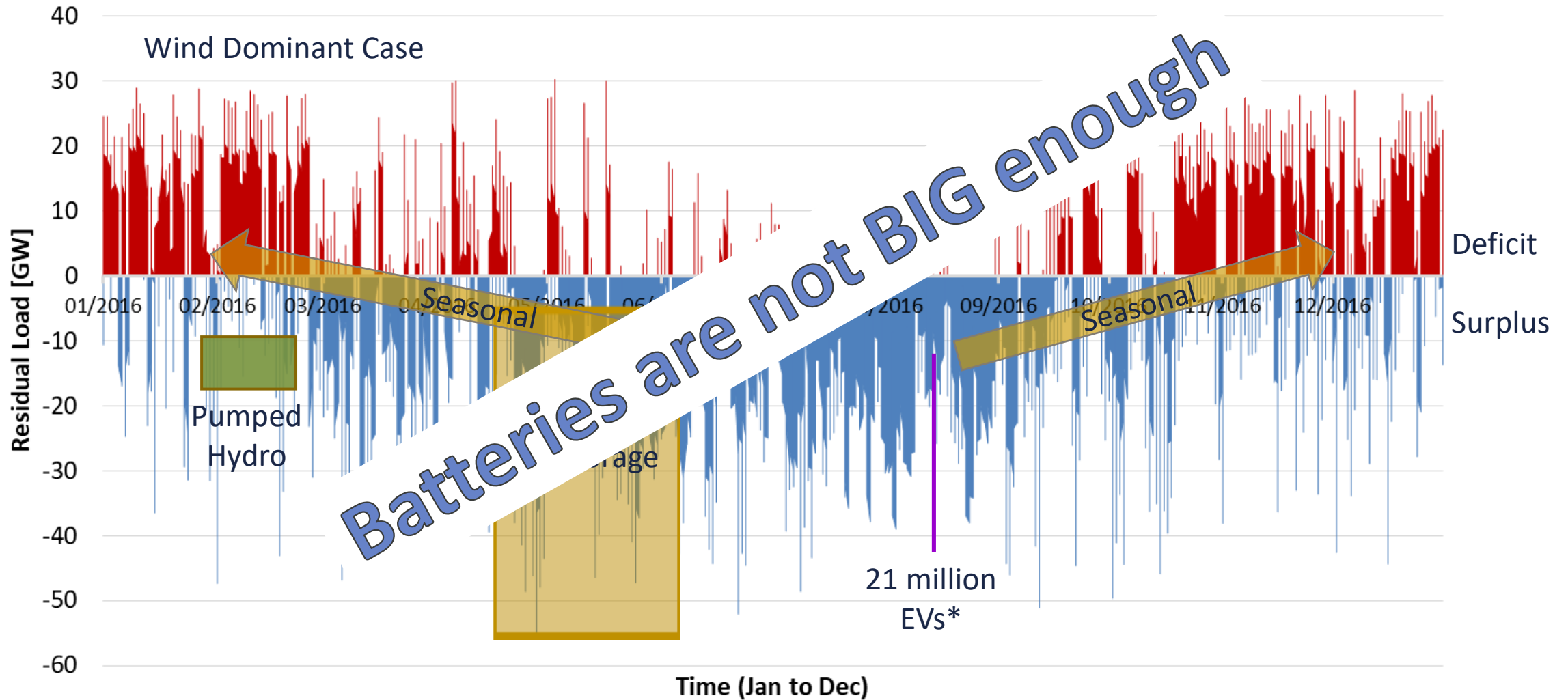
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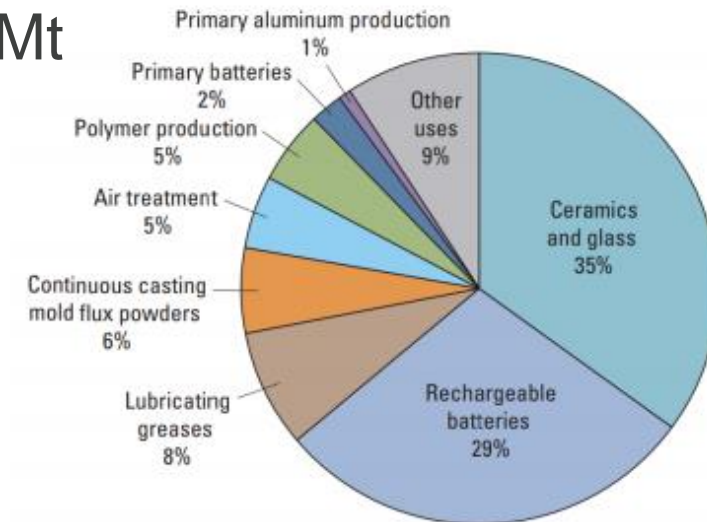
Energy Storage Need - World

Simulate meeting of total world energy demand w/ Solar & Wind

	Solar contribution	Wind contribution	Consumption and storage ratio	Consumption (TWh)	Storage (TWh)
Africa	0.70	0.30	8.39	9,123	1,088
America	0.45	0.55	7.83	38,541	4,919
Asia	0.50	0.50	7.95	80,866	10,178
Europe	0.30	0.70	7.50	26,951	3,592
Oceania	0.50	0.50	7.95	1,625	205
TOTAL				157,106	19,981 TWh

[Nuria Tirado, M.S. Thesis, 2018]

- To build one Li-ion battery requires: Li: 3,144 Mt Co: 25,815 Mt
- World Li resources: **53 Mt**
- World Co resources: **25 Mt** (terrestrial), **120 Mt** (ocean floor)
- > 60% of Co comes from the Democratic Republic of Congo



Source: U.S. Geological Survey, 2018

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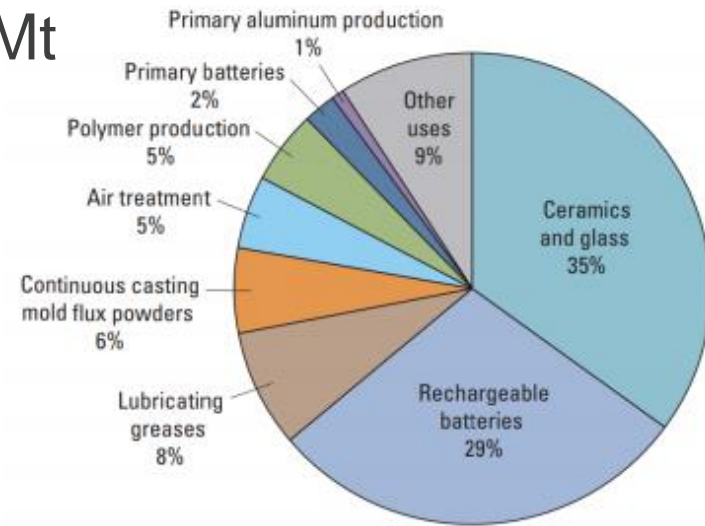
There is not enough lithium or cobalt in the world

[U.S. Thesis, 2018]

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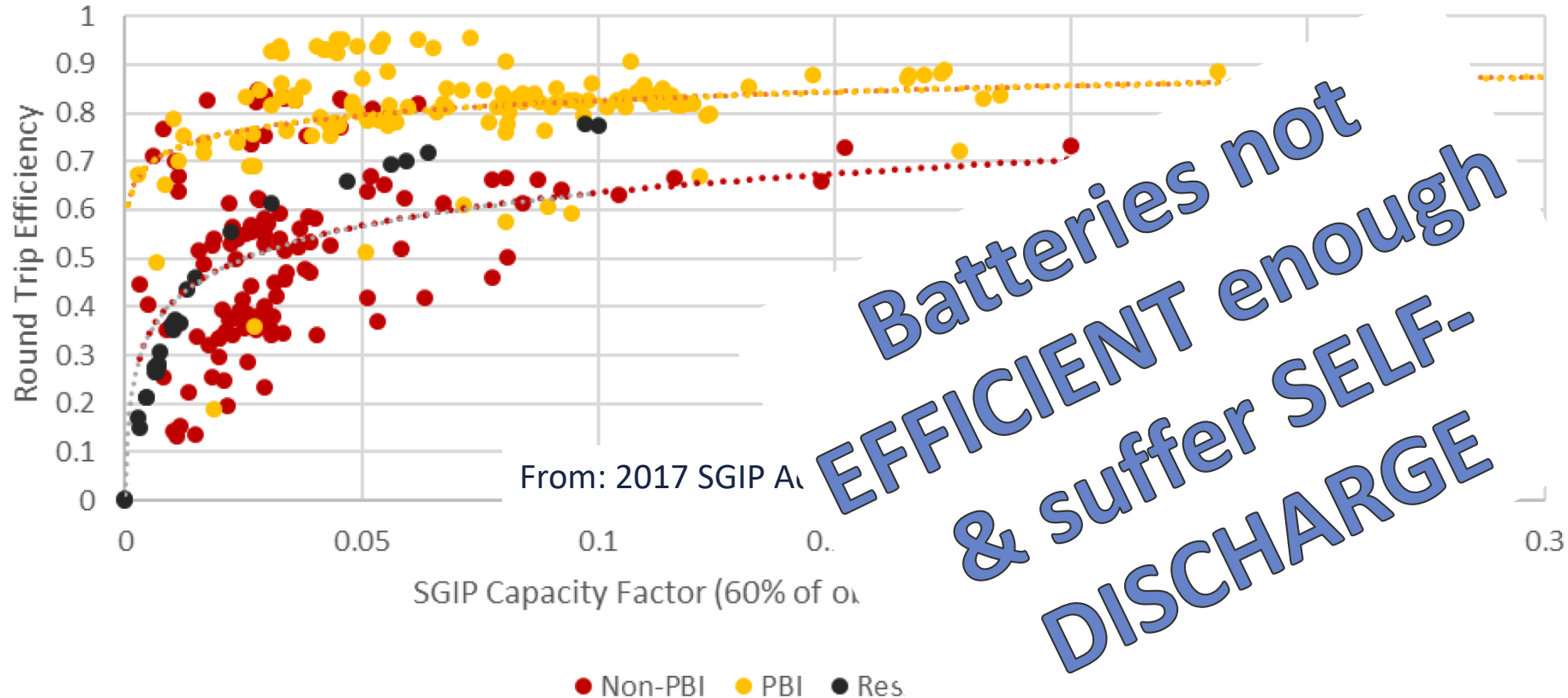
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Efficiency for Long Duration Storage

Round-Trip Efficiency (>90% in Laboratory Testing)

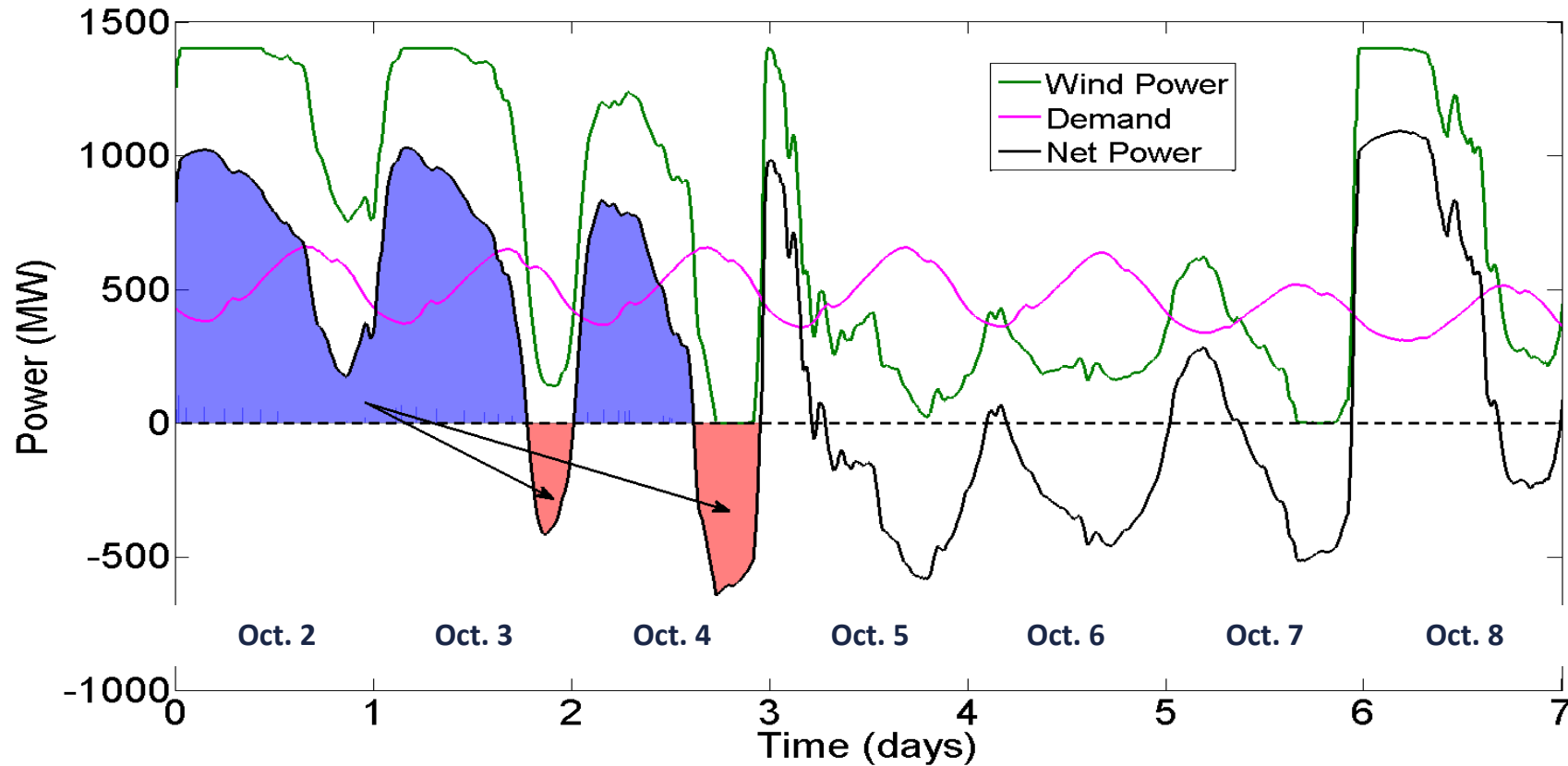
- Measured battery system performance in Utility Applications



- Self-Discharge (the main culprit), plus cooling, transformer, inverting/converting, ...

Hydrogen Energy Storage Dynamics

- Hydrogen Storage complements Texas Wind & Power Dynamics



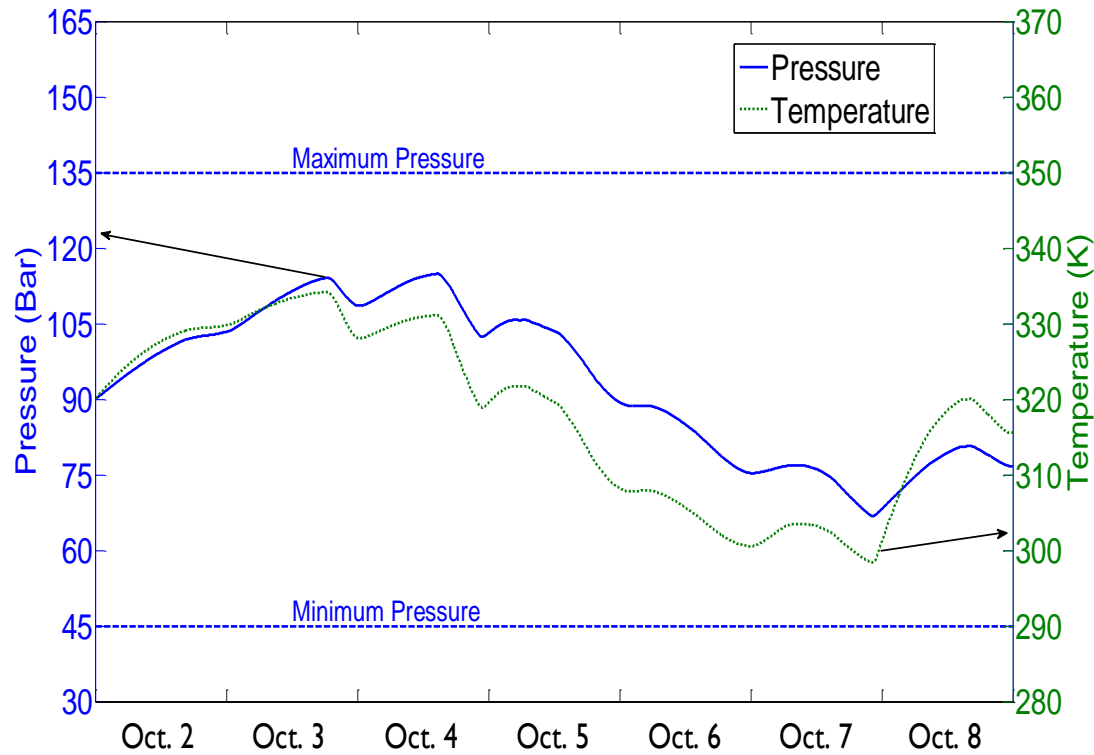
- Load shifting from high wind days to low wind days
- Hydrogen stored in adjacent salt cavern

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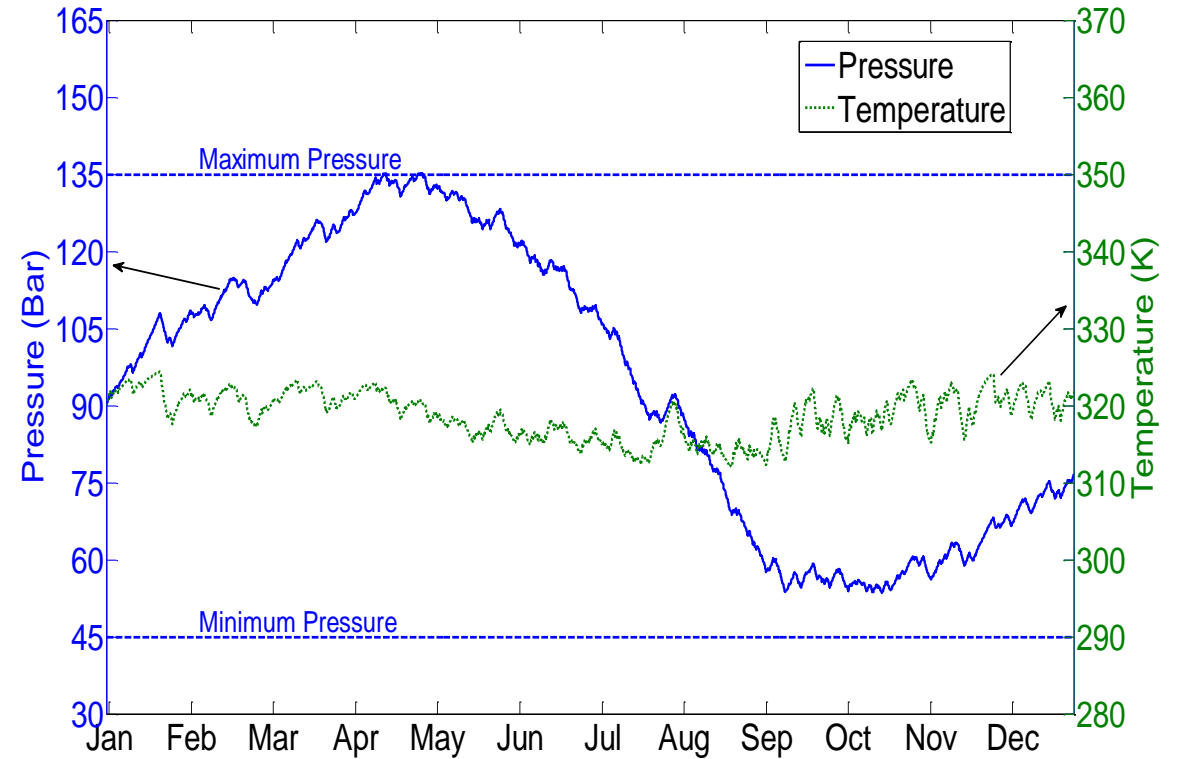
Hydrogen Energy Storage Dynamics

- Weekly and seasonal storage w/ H₂, fuel cells, electrolyzers

Weekly



Seasonal



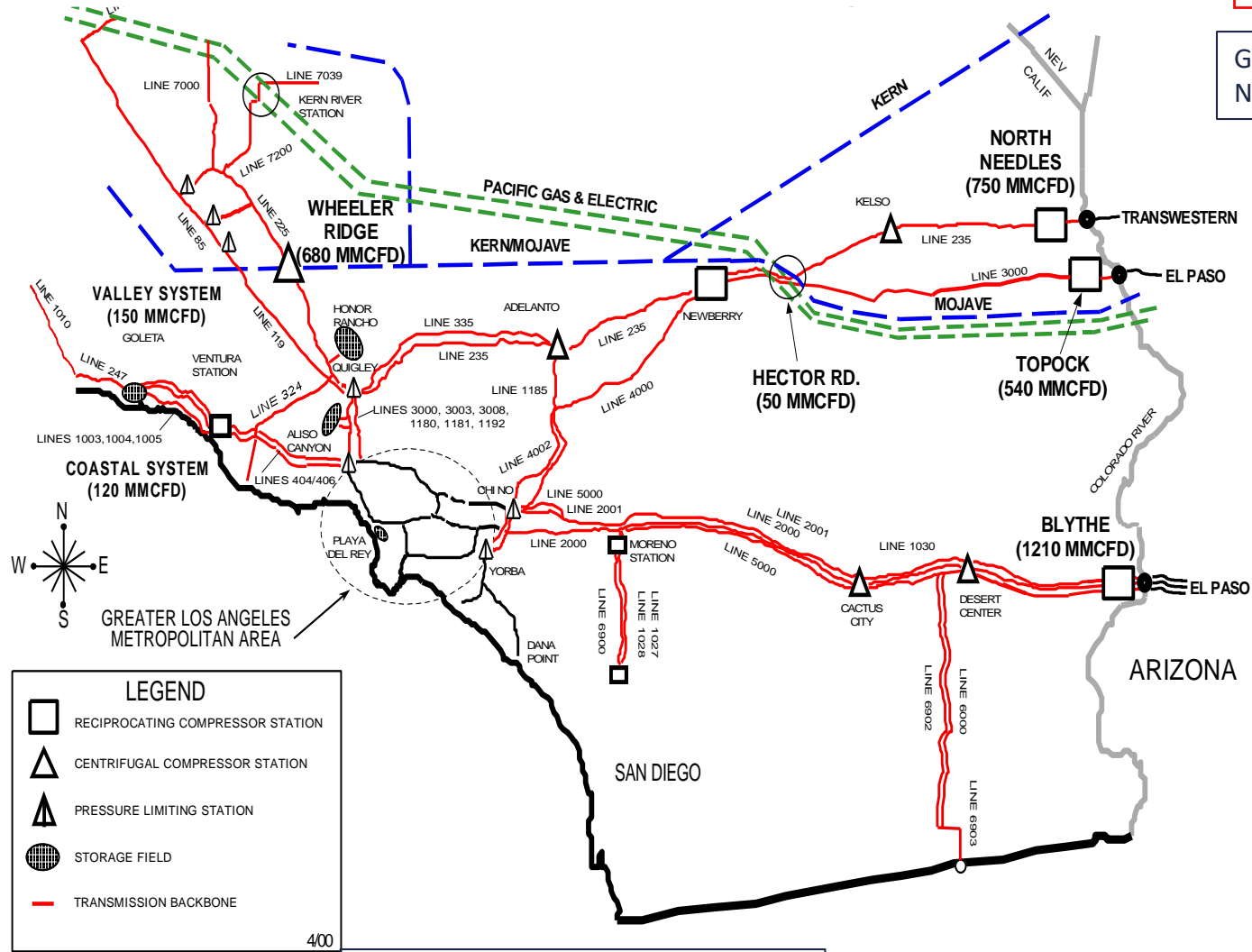
But what can we do if we don't have a salt cavern?

Resilient Storage & Transmission/Distribution Resource

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Gas Technology Institute, Assessment of Natural Gas ... Service Reliability, 2018.



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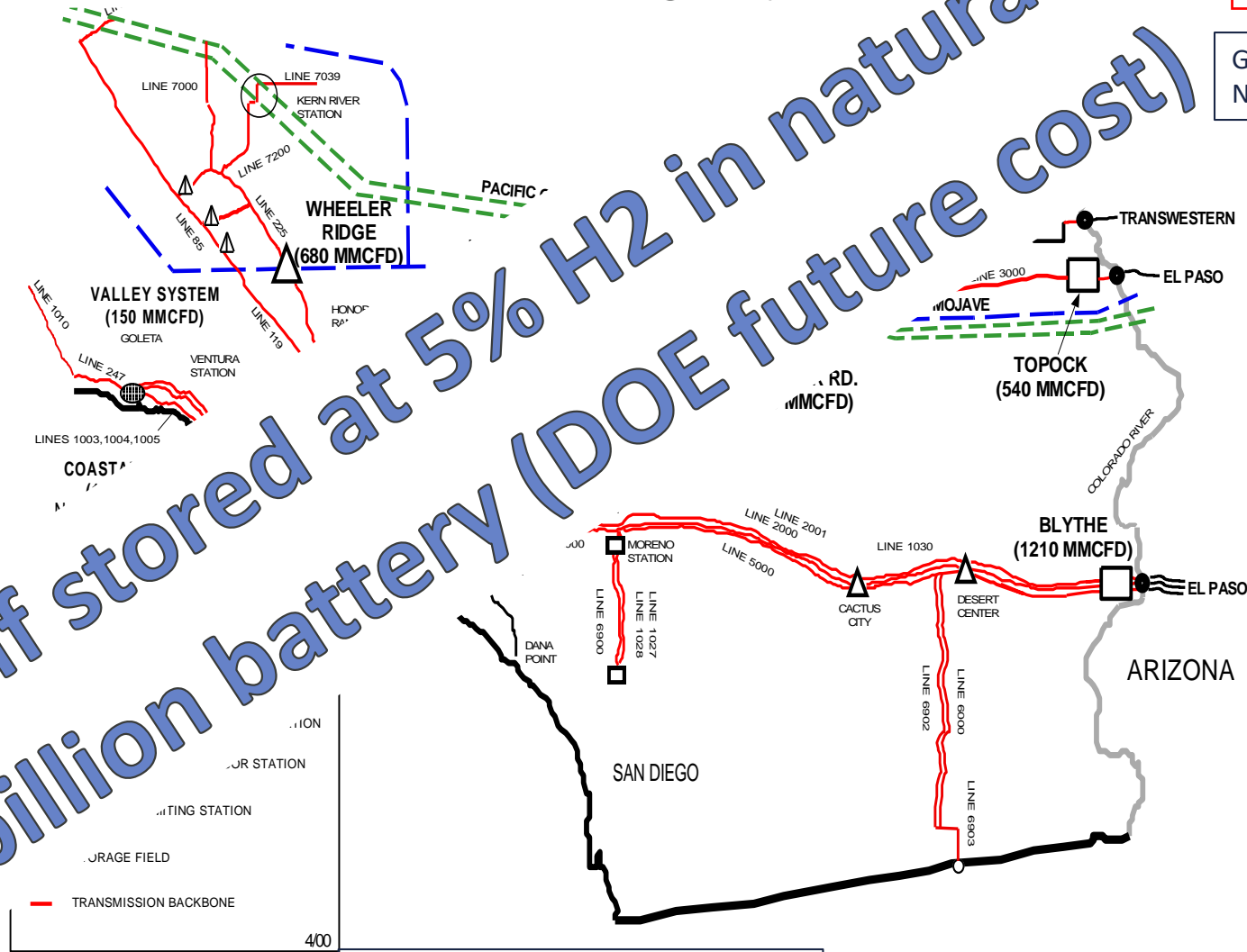


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650 GWh if stored at 5% H2 in natural gas
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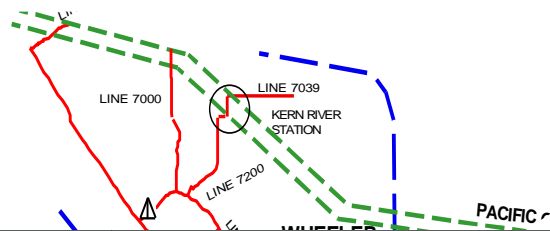


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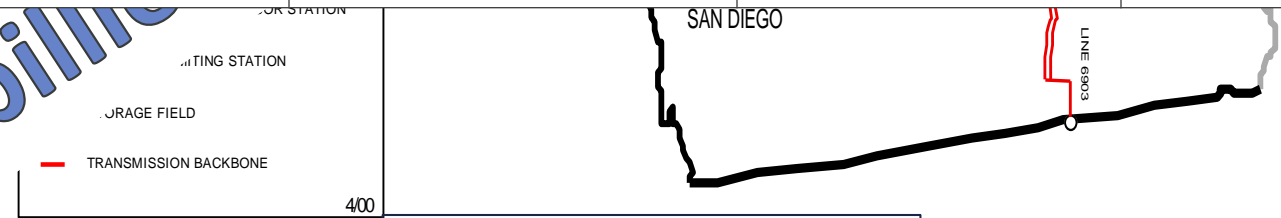
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	Annual Tuition & Fees	Total OC Population	4 years for entire population
U.C. Irvine	\$ 17,331	2,246,000	\$39 billion

LINES 1003, 1004, 1005
COAST*

	Average Annual Tuition & Fees	Total Student Population	4 years for entire population
All University of California Schools	\$ 17,800	265,000	\$4.7 billion



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Demonstrated Resilience of Fuel Cells and Gas System

San Diego Blackout, 9/28/11



Winter Storm Alfred, 10/29/11



Hurricane Sandy, 10/29/12



CA Earthquake, 8/24/14



Data Center Utility Outage, 4/16/15



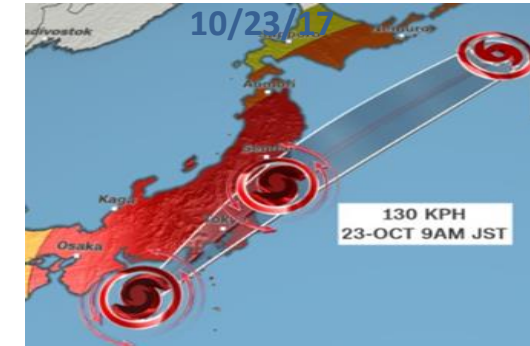
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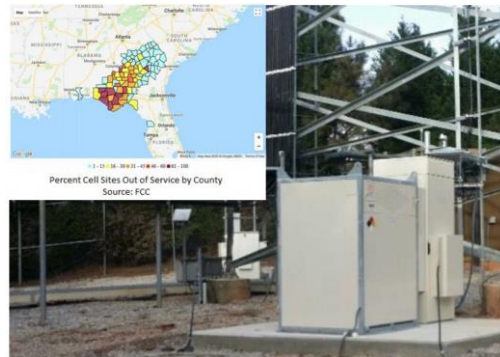
Napa Fire, 10/9/17



Japanese Super-Typhoon, 10/23/17



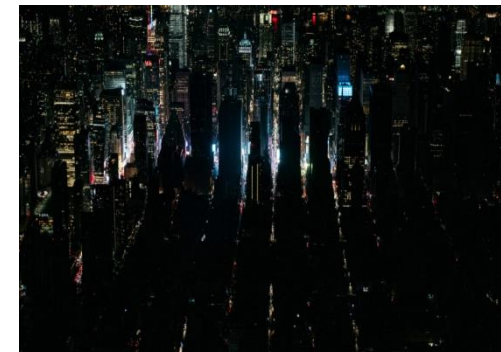
Hurricane Michael, 10/15/18



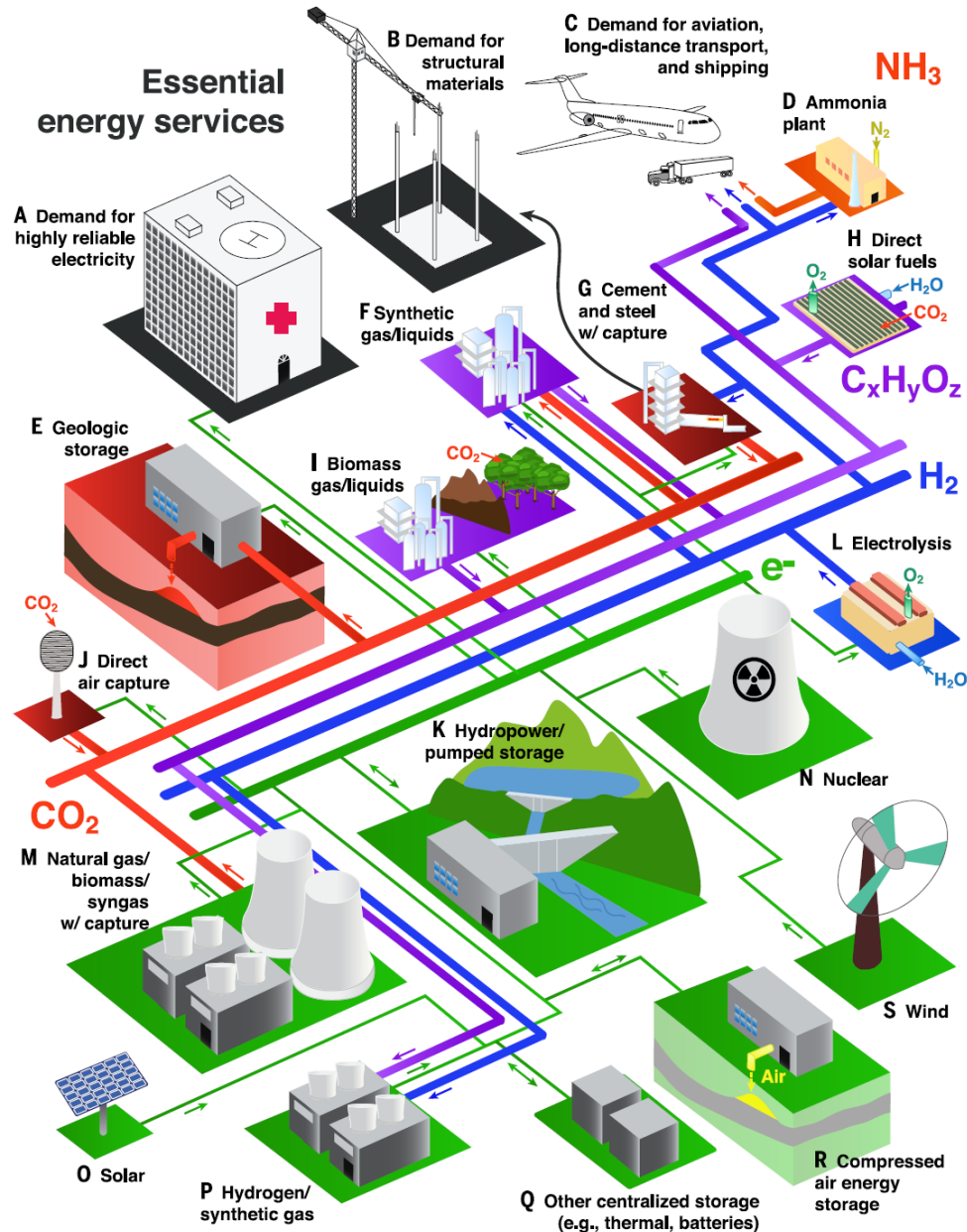
Ridgecrest Earthquakes, 7/4-5/19



Manhattan Blackout, 7/13/19



Why Hydrogen? Required for completely zero emissions



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Why Hydrogen? Zero Emission Fuels Required

- Provide zero emissions fuel to difficult end-uses



Anything that requires (1) rapid fueling, (2) long range, (3) large payload

Why Hydrogen? Industry Requirements for Heat, Feedstock,

- Many examples of applications that cannot be electrified

Steel Manufacturing & Processing



Cement Production



(Photo: ABB Cement)

Plastics



(Photo: DowDuPont Inc.)

Ammonia & Fertilizer Production



(Photo: Galveston County Economic Development)

Computer Chip Fabrication



(Photo: American Chemical Society)

Pharmaceuticals



(Photo: Geosyntec Consultants)

Summary

- We must and will inevitably increasingly depend upon solar power and its more direct derivatives (e.g., wind)
 - Air quality
 - Greenhouse gas emissions & climate
 - Energy, environment, & geopolitical sustainability
 - Environmental Justice
- The DYNAMICS of such a future are challenging – require complementary dispatch, massive storage, and seasonal storage
 - Batteries, hydro, power-to-gas (P2G), hydrogen energy storage (HES)
- HYDROGEN will become the indispensable zero emissions fuel and energy storage medium to enable this future – unique features
 - Long duration energy storage
 - Massive energy storage amount
 - Hydrogen & its derivative fuels
 - Will be lower cost (separate power/energy scaling)
 - High round-trip efficiency possible
 - Reliability & resilience (underground infrastructure)

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