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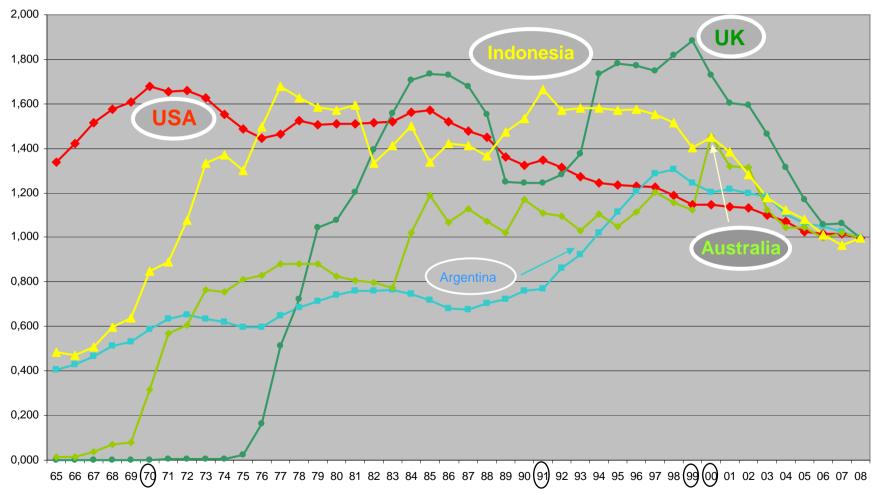
The CTL Framework

- Energy Security
- Technologies
- Environment
- Economics
- Current CTL Developments



Peak Oils, before « the » peak oil?

Australia, Indonesia, UK, USA have passed their peak oil.

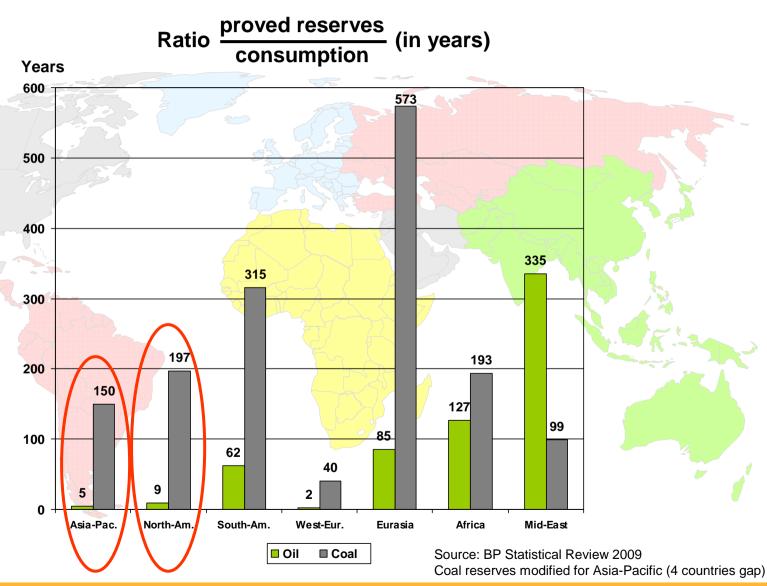


Other countries: Denmark, Egypt, Gabon, Russia, Syria, Vietnam

Source: BP Statistical Review 2009

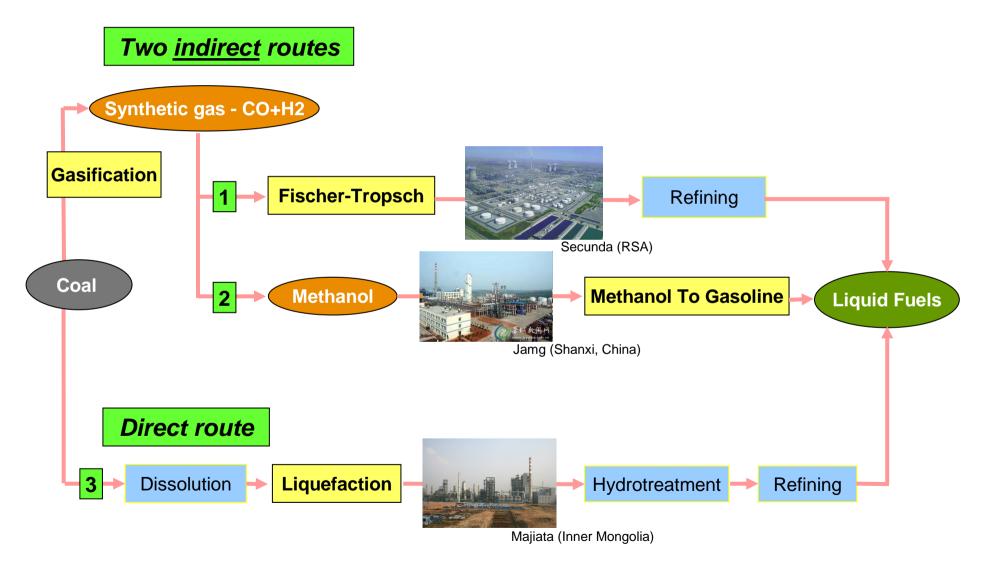


A major energy security stake





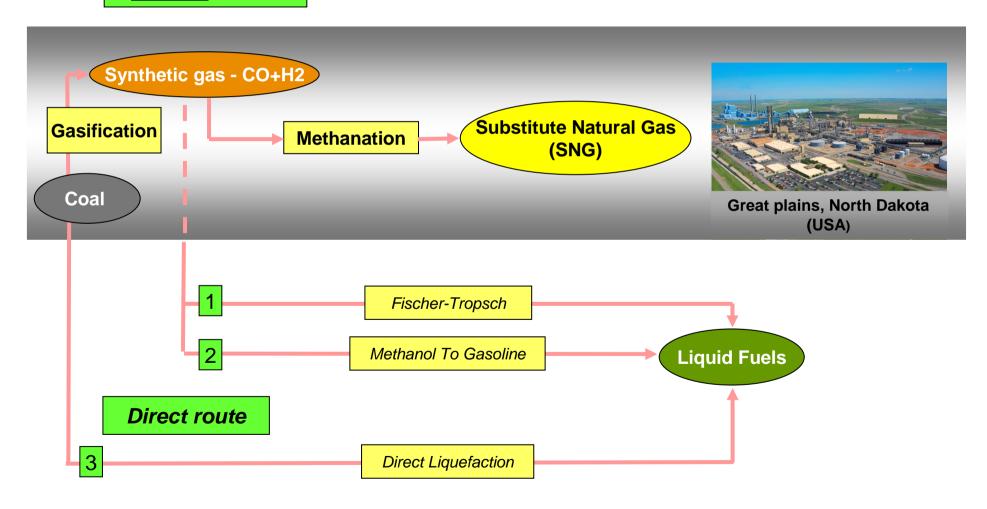
Technologies: three "conventional" CTL routes





Technologies: CTL and SNG

Indirect routes





Environment: Coal is most controversial



Steven Chu, Nobel physicist, U.S. Energy Secretary



Environment: Actual Stakes

Water need

1 to 2 m3 per barrel: impact on CTL feasibility.

CO2 emissions

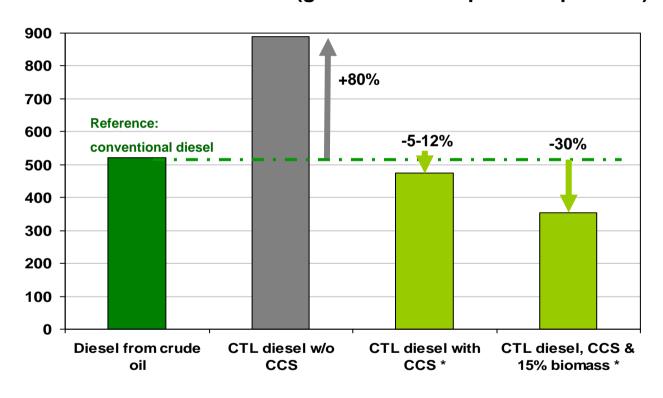
- Coal: the lowest Hydrogen/Carbon ratio
- CO2 is emitted within CTL processes
- CTL processes intrinsincally capture CO2.

CO2 emission, a key issue and an opportunity



Greenhouse footprint vs fuels from crude oil

Well to Wheels emissions (grams of CO2 equivalent per mile):



CCS in now included in most CTL projects

Sources: Idaho National Laboratory (2007) and U.S. DOE (2009) (marked *)



CTL competitiveness

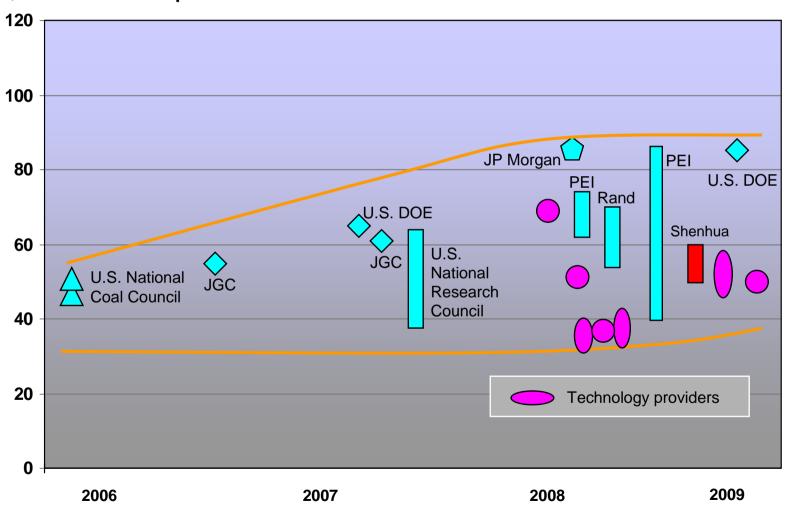
- Capital expenditure: \$80-120k per bbl/d;
- A large range of equivalent crude prices announced: \$40-90/bbl;
- A reference: Sasol Synfuels' performance:

La Company	2009	2008
Operating profit	\$2.8b	\$2.7b
Turnover	\$4.2b	\$5.4b
Production	150 kBbl/d	160 kBbl/d
Brent average	\$68.1/bbl	\$95.5/bbl



Reported Crude Oil Price equivalents







Many projects, few plants in operation

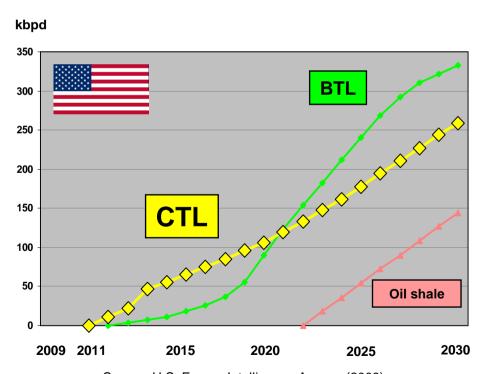


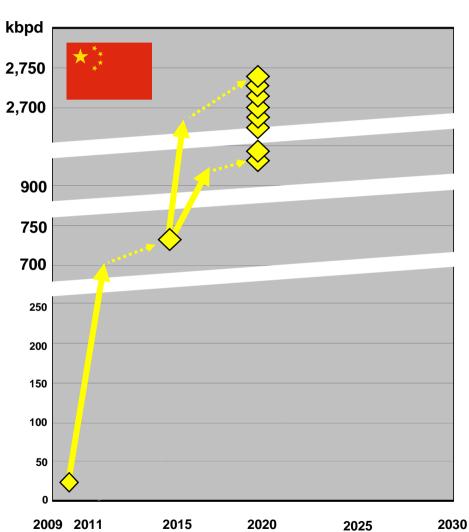


CTL production projections

Forecasts published in

- the U.S.A.
- the P.R. China





Source: China Coal Information Institute (2009)

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Conclusion

- CTL's predominant role: energy security.
- Environment is a key issue. Technology, CCS and Biomass are the best allies of CTL.
- Technologies are available, but <u>little commercially developed</u>.
- CTL is <u>capital intensive</u>, with risks associated to the volatility of crude oil and coal prices.
- CTL highly competitive at 2008 energy prices.
- China and the U.S. have taken the lead.
- National and international co-operations will develop.



Thank you... and welcome to Beijing on 13 April!





