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More than storage: system flexibility

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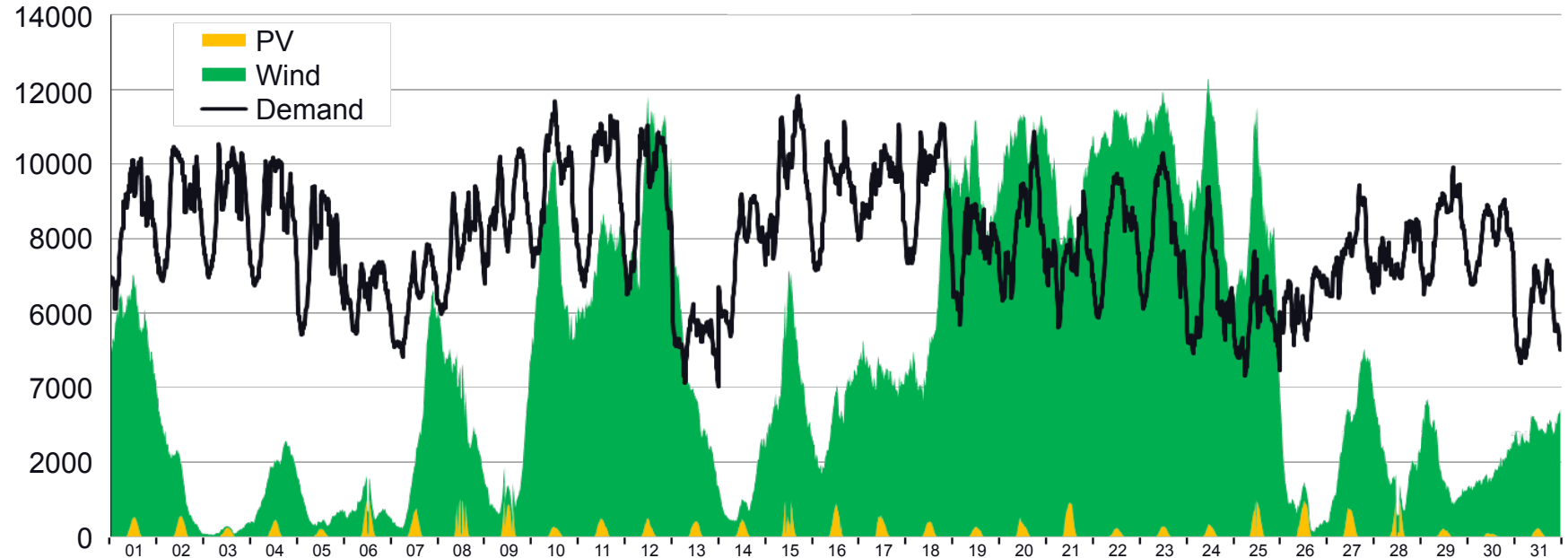
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Integrating intermittent energy: the need for flexibility

WIND & SOLAR GENERATION vs. DEMAND IN NORTHERN GERMANY

MW, December 2014 on the 50Hertz Operated Grid

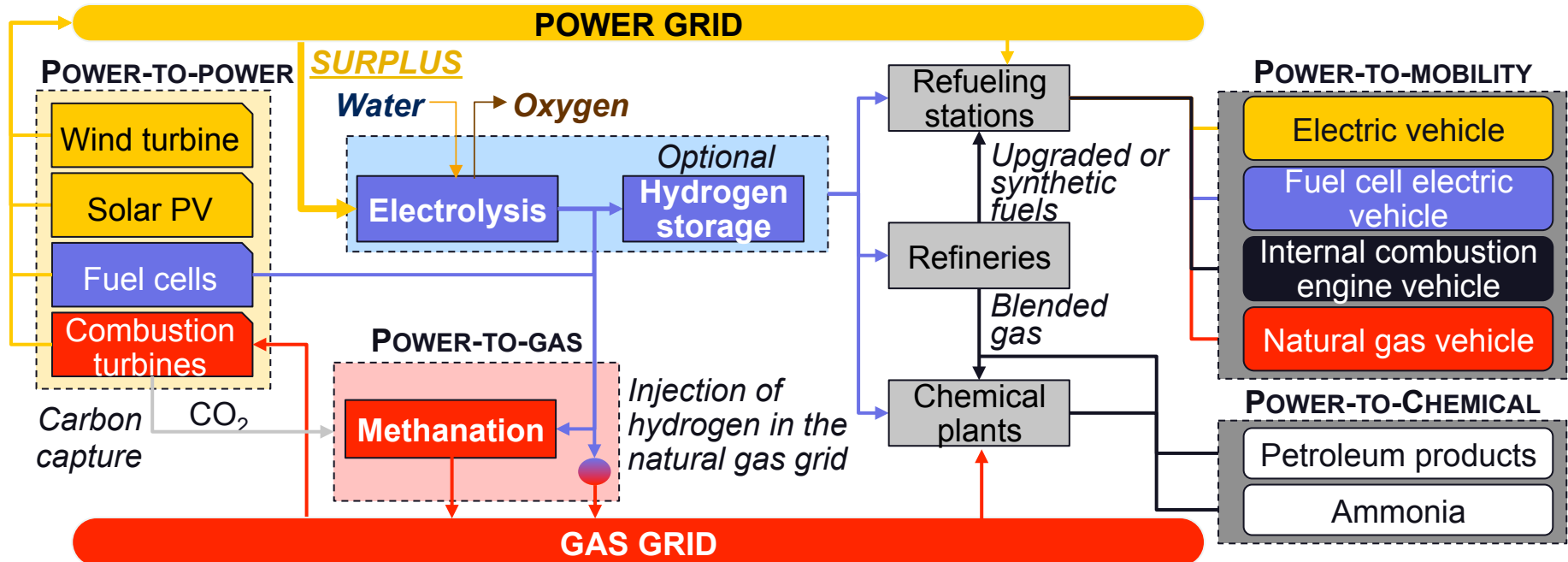


Note: (1) Output is variable on multiple timescales, depending on daily or seasonal patterns and on weather conditions. (2) This variability makes long-term forecasting difficult and certainly less predictable than output from conventional technologies. (3) Wind and solar output are subject to ramp events

Source: SBC Energy Institute Analysis based on 50Hertz data archive (Wind and Solar Actual In Feed 20124, Control Load 2014).

Making the case for hydrogen: system integration

SIMPLIFIED VALUE CHAIN OF HYDROGEN-BASED ENERGY CONVERSION



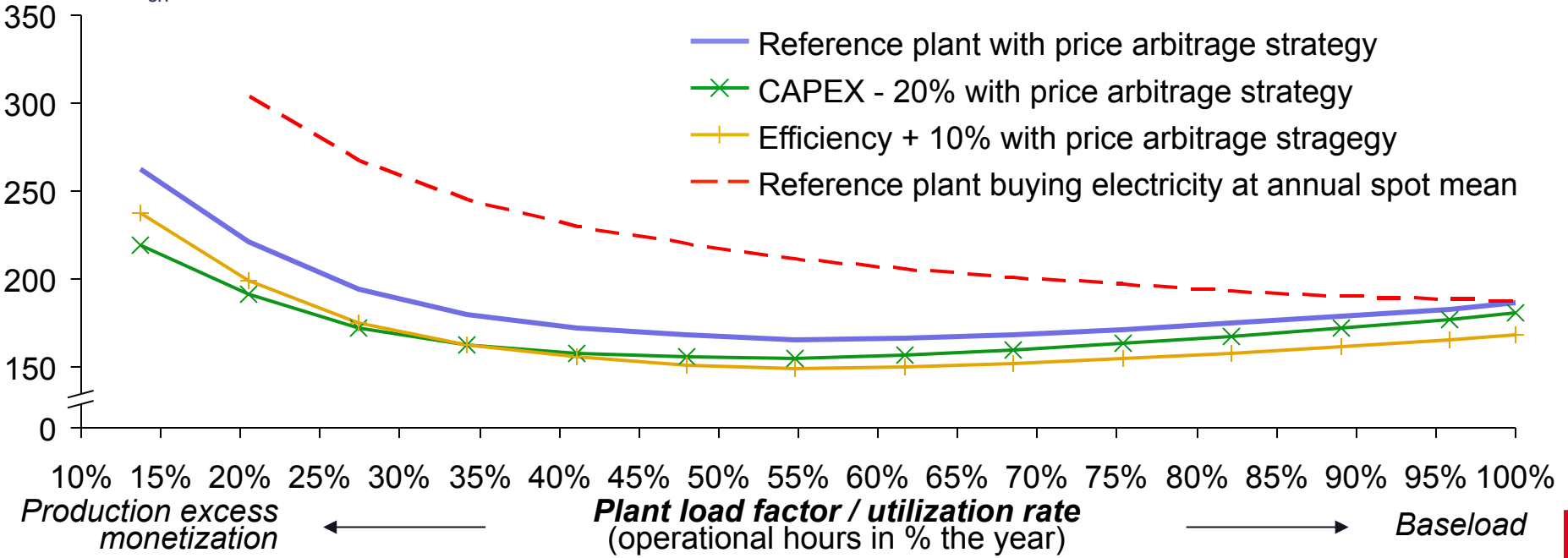
Note: Simplified value chain. End uses are non-exhaustive. Note that the power and gas grids are the main supplier to the residential and commercial end-uses (lighting, heating and cooling, cooking...)

Source: SBC Energy Institute analysis

The missing link: cost-effective electrolysis

LEVELIZED COSTS OF HYDROGEN FOR A GRID-CONNECTED ELECTROLYSIS PLANT

\$/MWh_{ch}



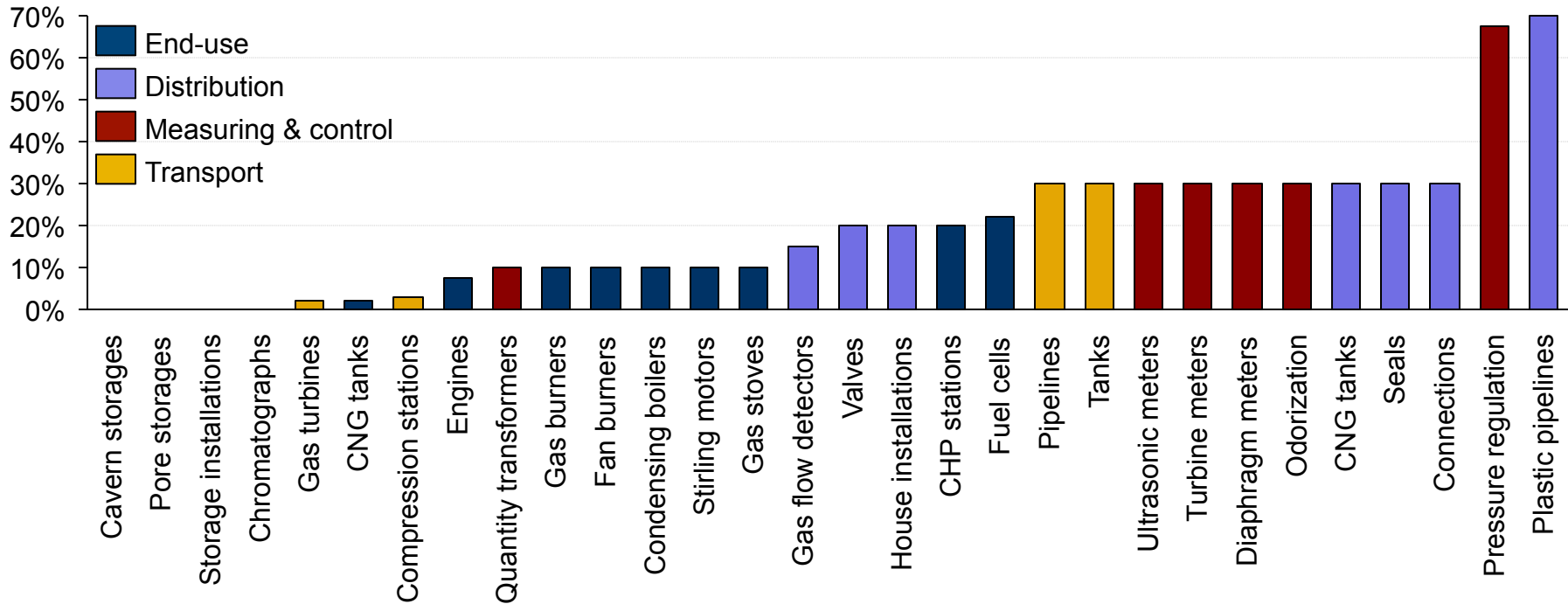
Note: Illustrative example based on 8.5MW_{ch} electrolysis (5 alkaline stacks of 1.7MW_{ch} each), with total installed system CAPEX: \$765/KW_{ch}, Efficiency: 79%HHV, Project lifetime: 30 years and real discount rate after tax:10%.

Source: SBC Energy Institute Simulation based on US DoE H2A Model

Option 1: hydrogen blending into the gas network

LIMIT OF HYDROGEN BLENDING ALONG THE NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE

H₂ concentration uncritical (vol.%)

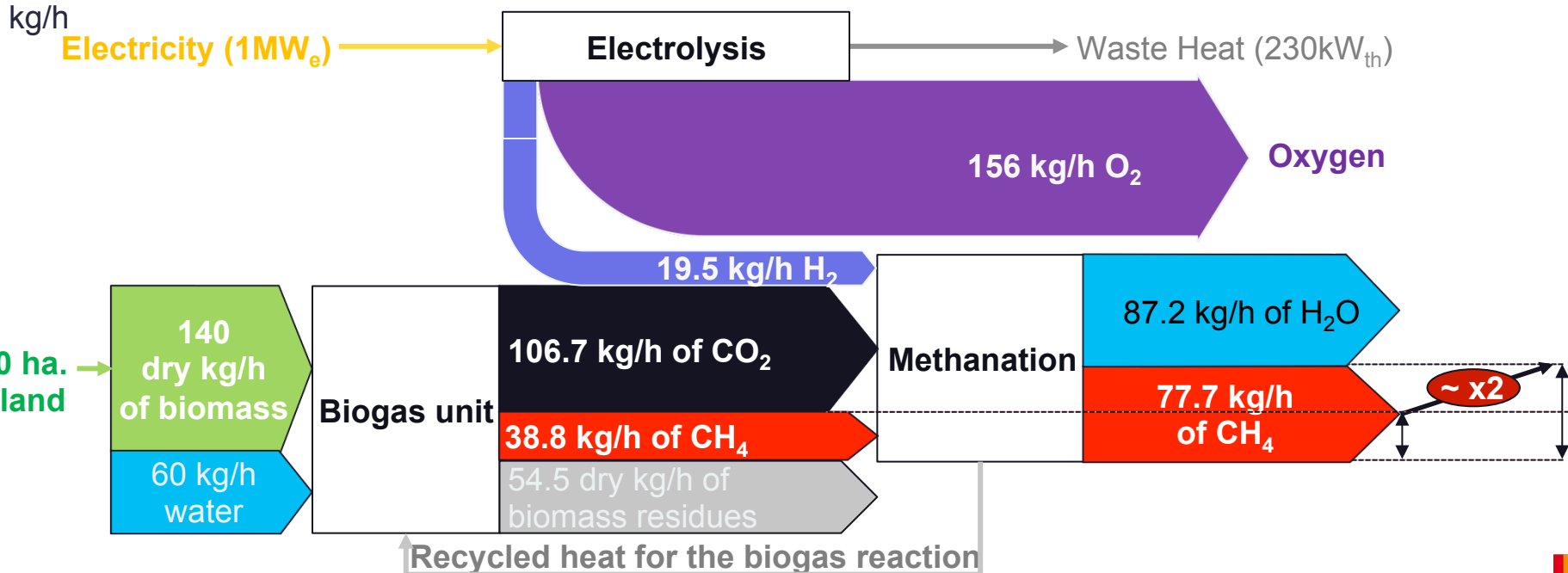


Note: CNG for compressed natural gas.

Source: Adapted from DVGW - German Technical and Scientific Association for Gas and Water (2013)

Option 2: methanation

SIMPLIFIED MASS FLOW CHART OF HYDROGEN-ENRICHED BIOMETHANE PLANT

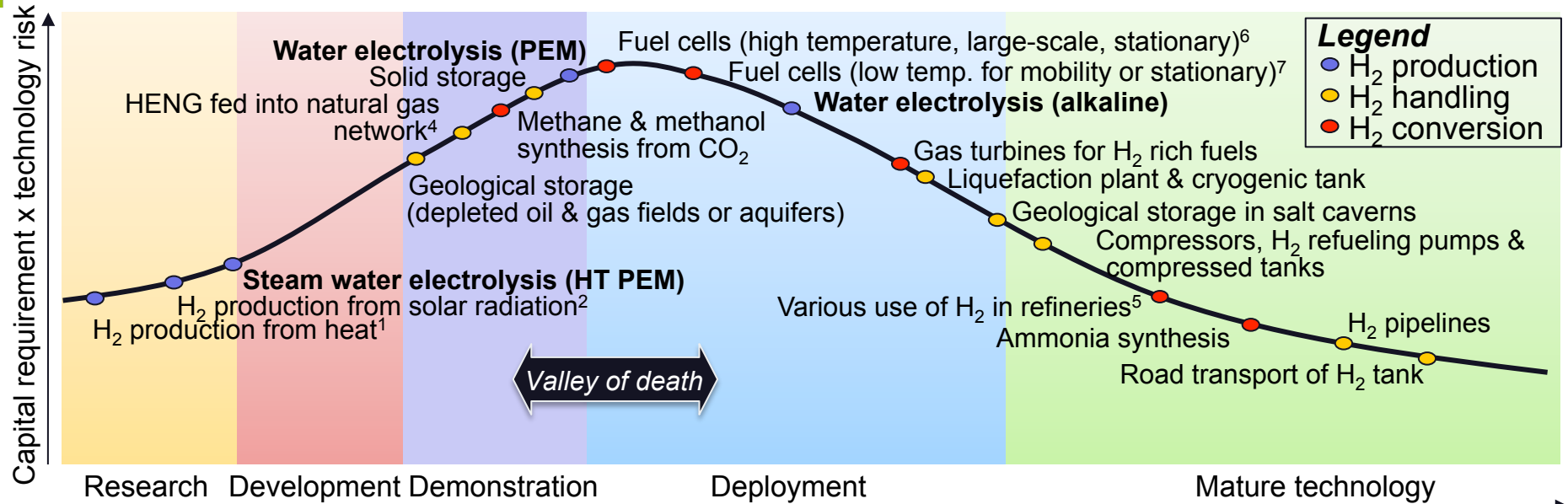


Note: Biomass feedstock is a maize silage of $5\text{kWh}_{ch}/\text{kg}$ of dry matter, cultivated with a land yield of 0.63MW_{ch} per km^2 ; The anaerobic digestion of maize silage requires heat and has an total efficiency of 68.7%; Thermochemical methanation at 300°C and 77.7% hydrogen-to-methane efficiency.

Source: SBC Energy Institute analysis

Outlooks

HYDROGEN-BASED TECHNOLOGY – MATURITY CURVE



Note: ¹Nuclear or solar thermochemical water splitting; ²Photolysis, photo-electrolysis or photo-biological water-splitting; ³By thermochemical processes, principally: methane reforming, the cracking of petroleum fractions, and coal or biomass gasification; ⁴HENG: Hydrogen-enriched natural gas; ⁵Includes the upgrading of heavy/sour oil and the synthesis of syngas (methanol, DME, MtG etc); ⁶Includes SOFC, PAFC and MCFC; ⁷Includes PEMFC and AFC.

Source: SBC Energy Institute analysis

Thank you very much!

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