

# Integrated electricity-gas system modelling and analysis and development of future fuels

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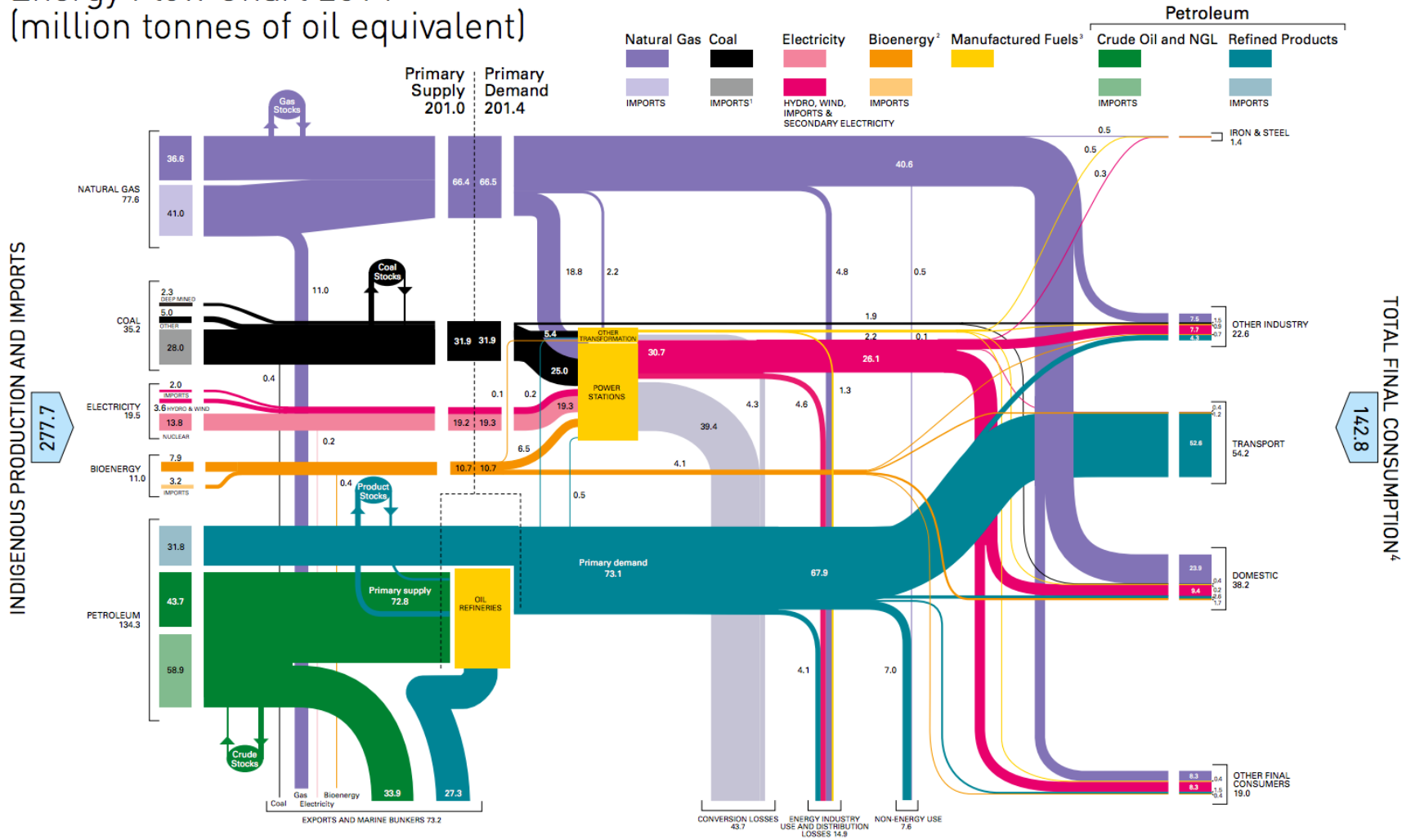
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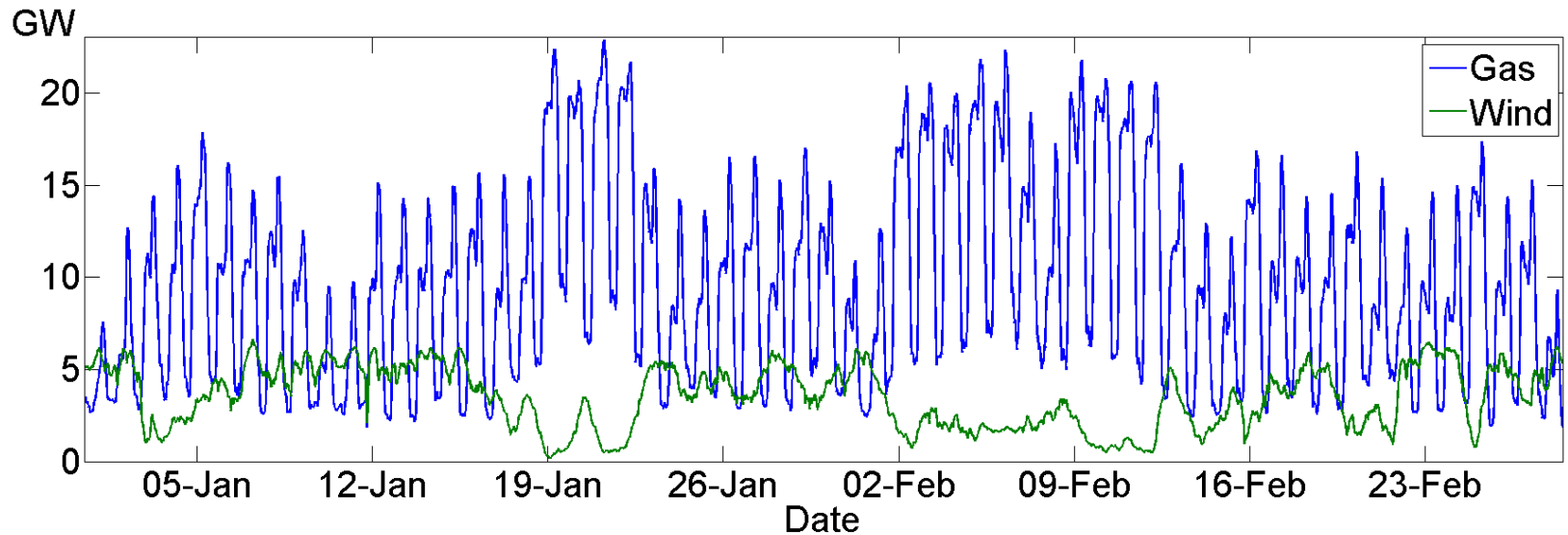
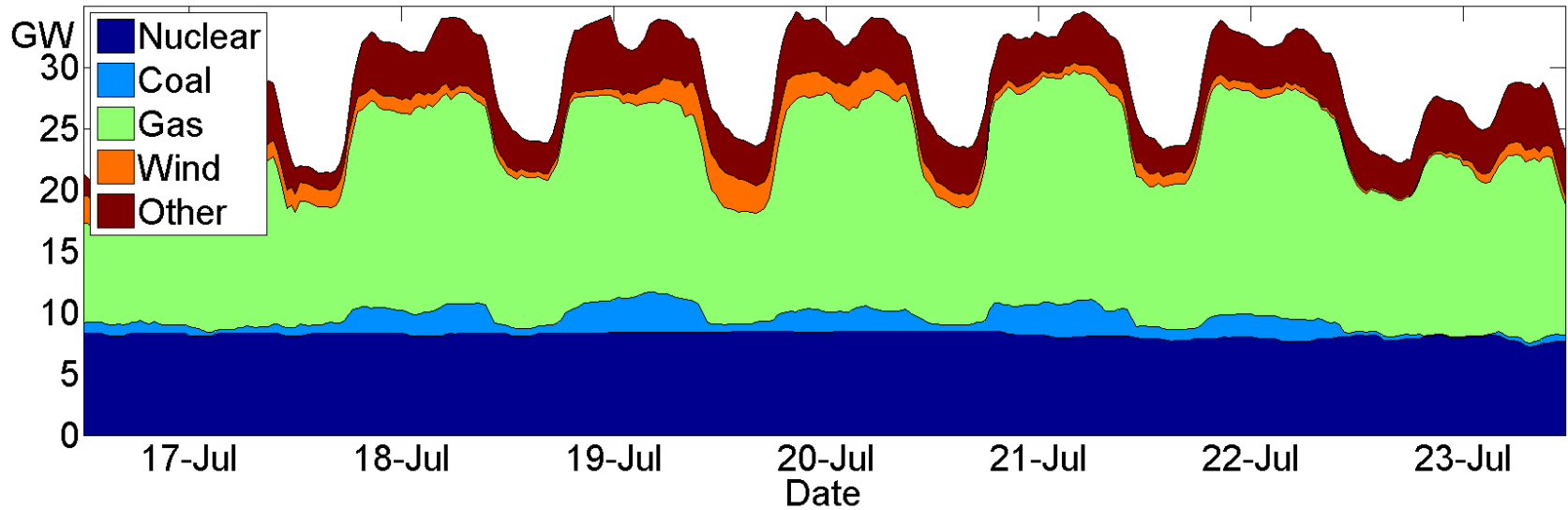
# Background

Energy Flow Chart 2014  
(million tonnes of oil equivalent)



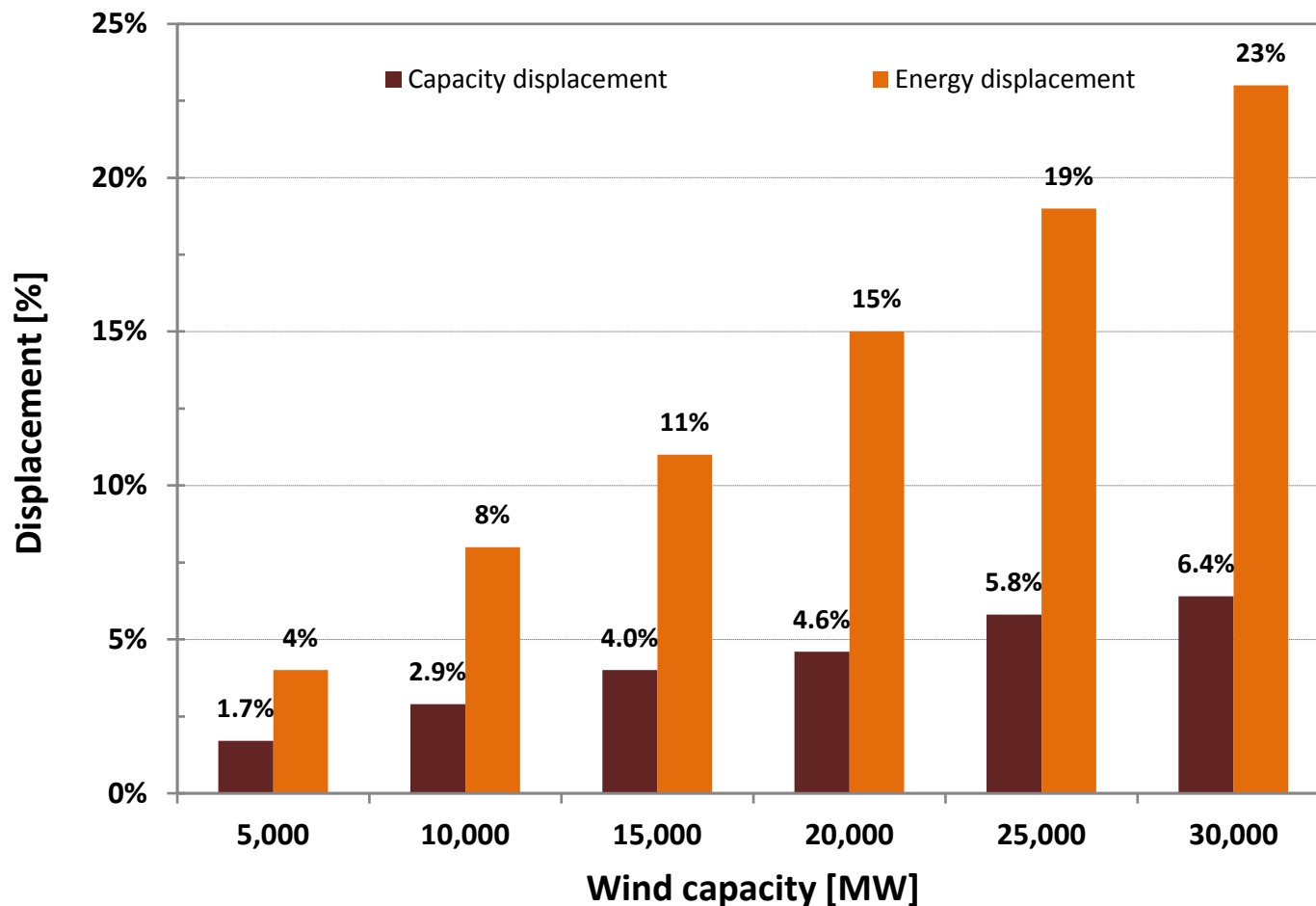
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 3. Includes heat sold.  
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# The impact of renewable generation



# Variability, energy and secure capacity

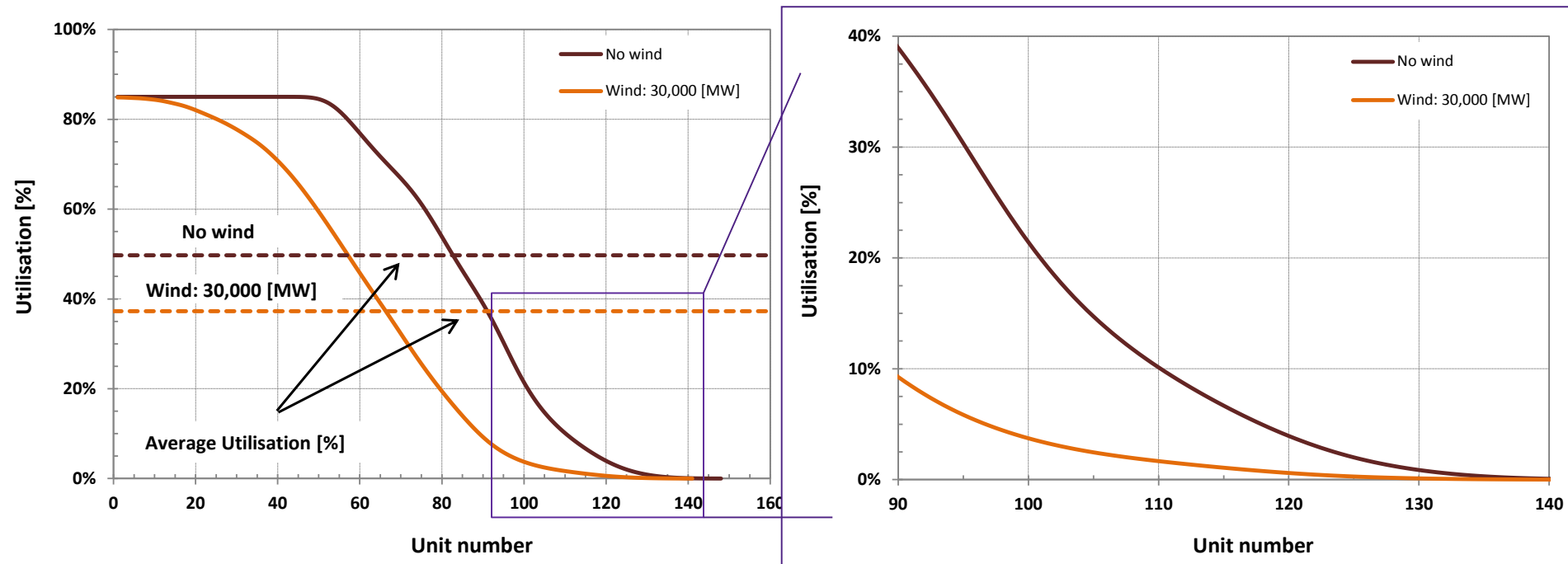
**Conventional capacity and energy displacement at various levels of wind penetration, future UK scenarios, 55GW peak**



Source: P. Mancarella et al, Business case for flexible demand, Final report for the DD-FD project

# Cost impact of intermittency on conventional generators

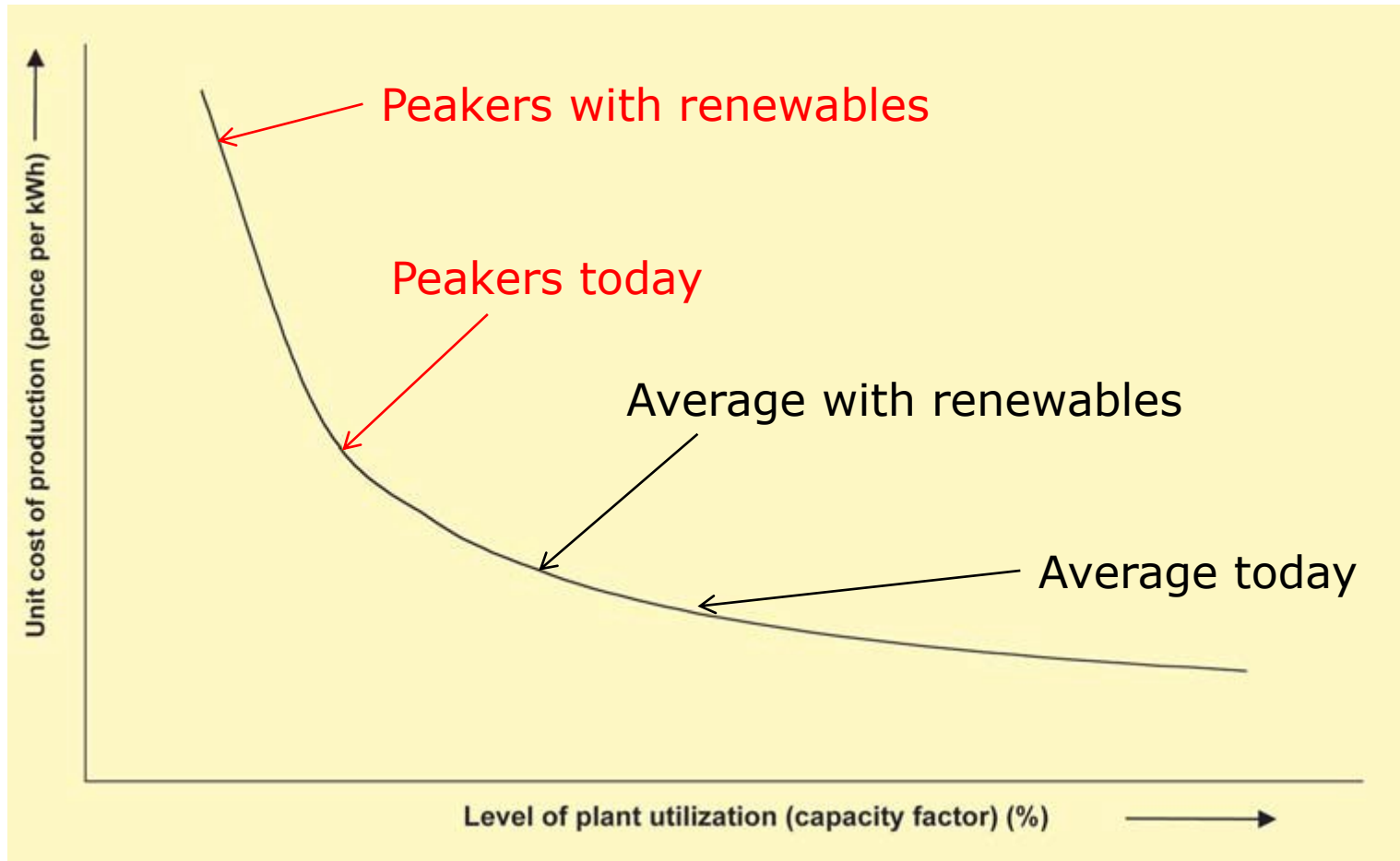
## Conventional plant utilisation (thermal only and wind-thermal system)



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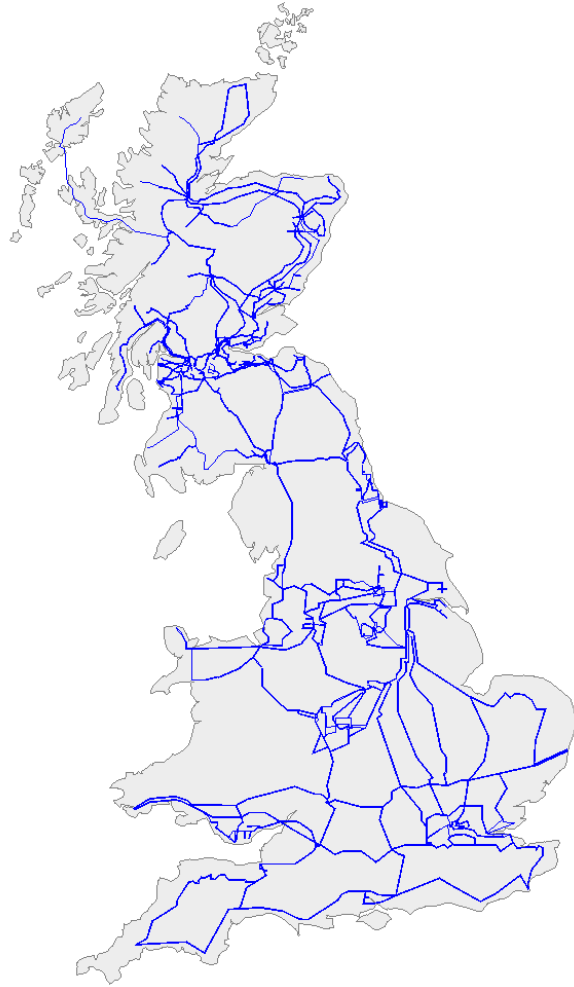
# What happens to conventional power plants?

Effect of plant utilization on the unit cost of electricity production

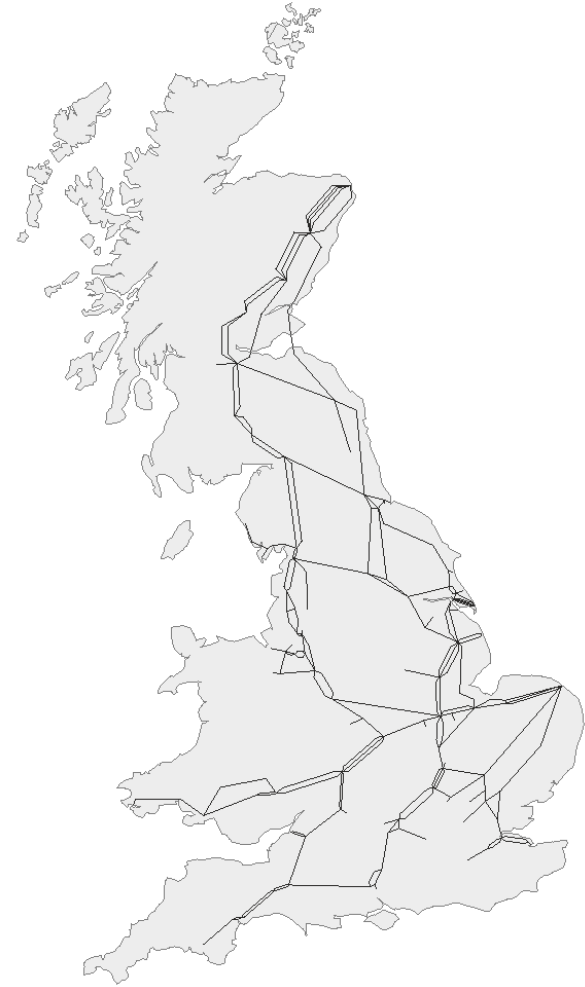


Source of underlying picture: The Cost of Generating Electricity, PB Power for the Royal Academy of Engineering

# Network studies

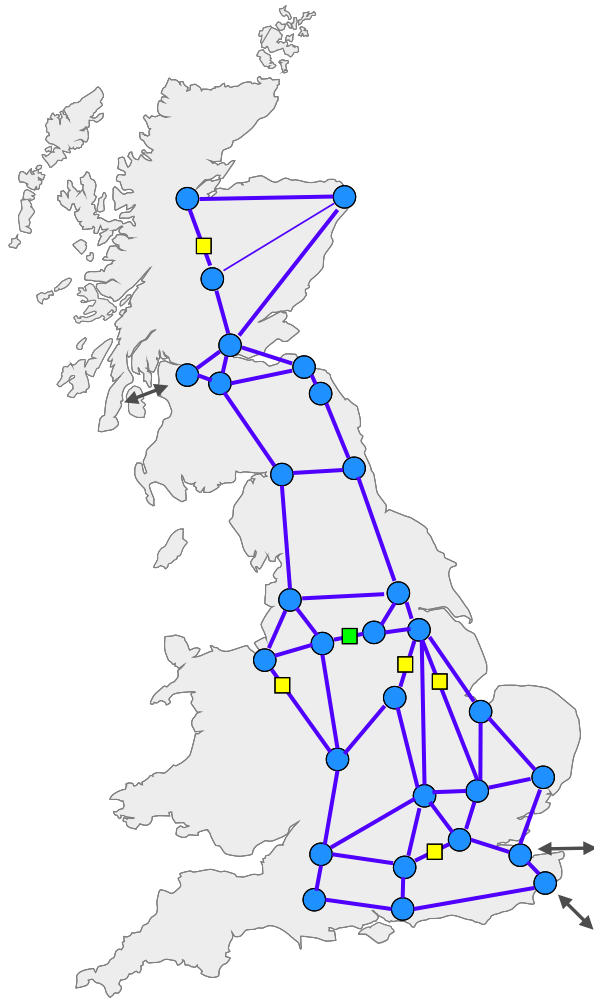


Electrical transmission network

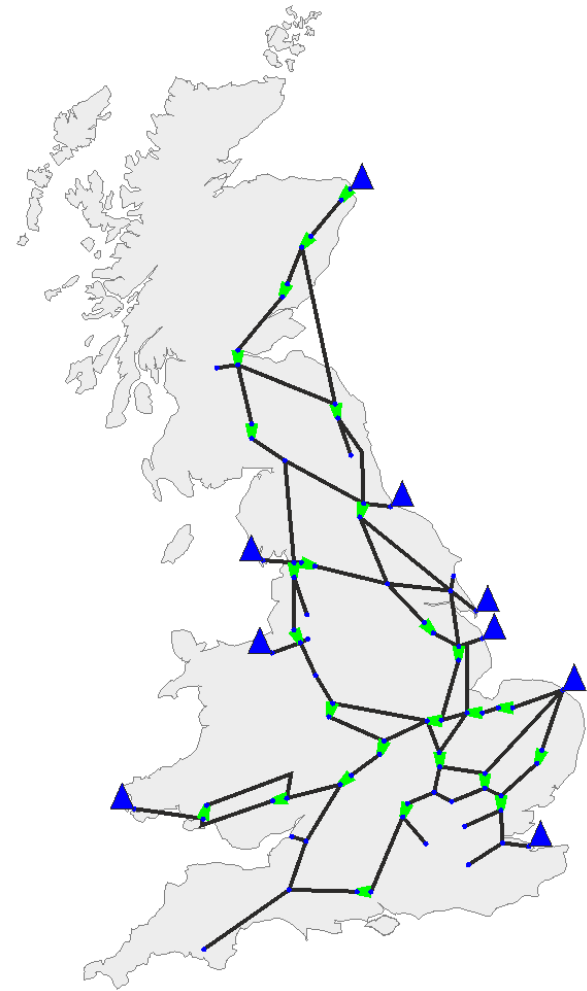


Gas transmission network

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Simplified electrical transmission network



Simplified gas transmission network

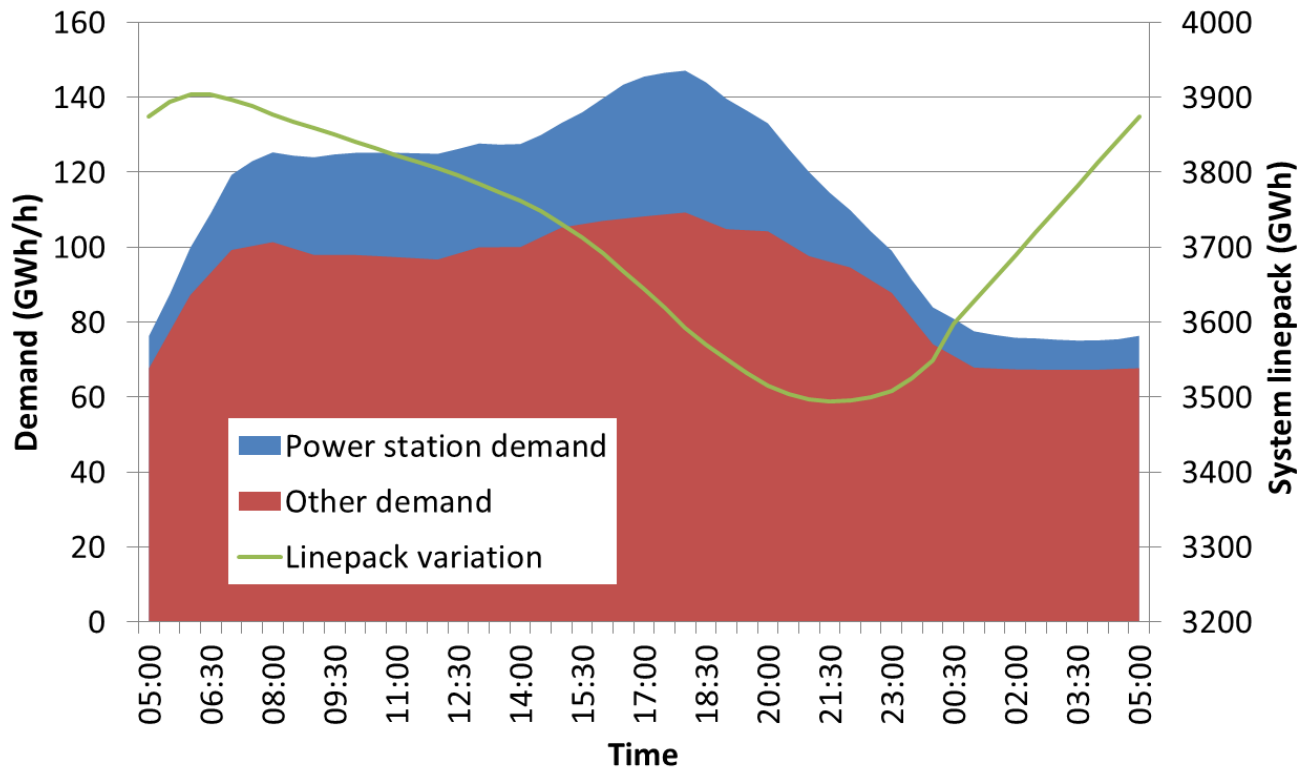


# How about system dynamics?

## Role of linepack

- Defined by quantity of gas in network's pipes at given time
- Used for:
  - Maintaining system pressures
  - Balance instantaneous changes in supply/demand
  - An indicator to network operators to system state
  - Means of gas network energy storage

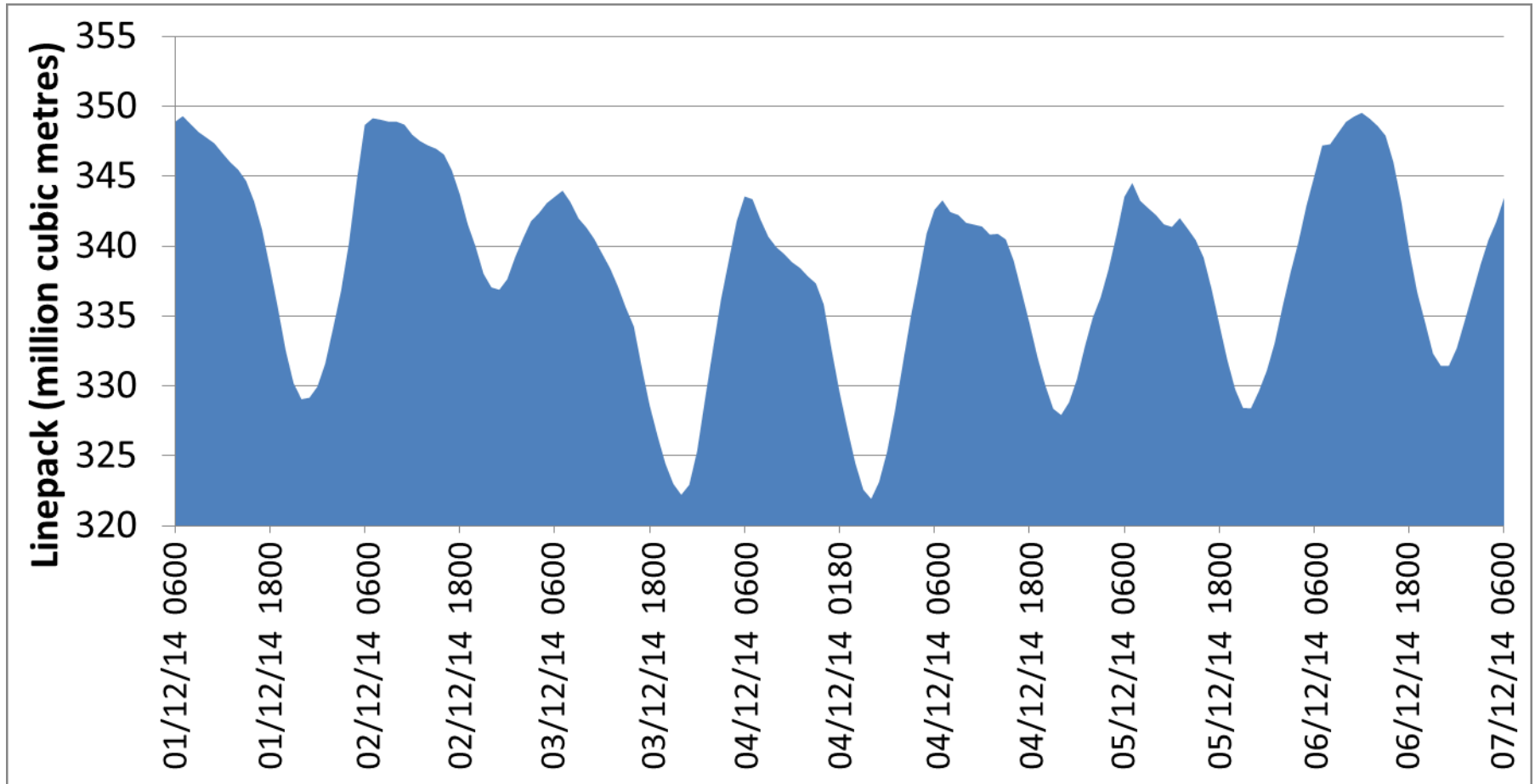
# Intraday linepack swing



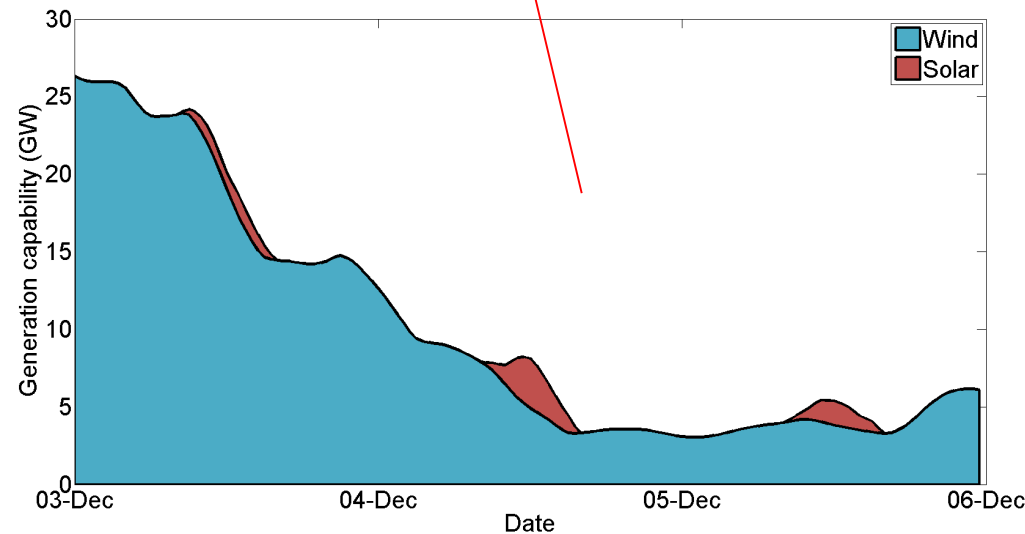
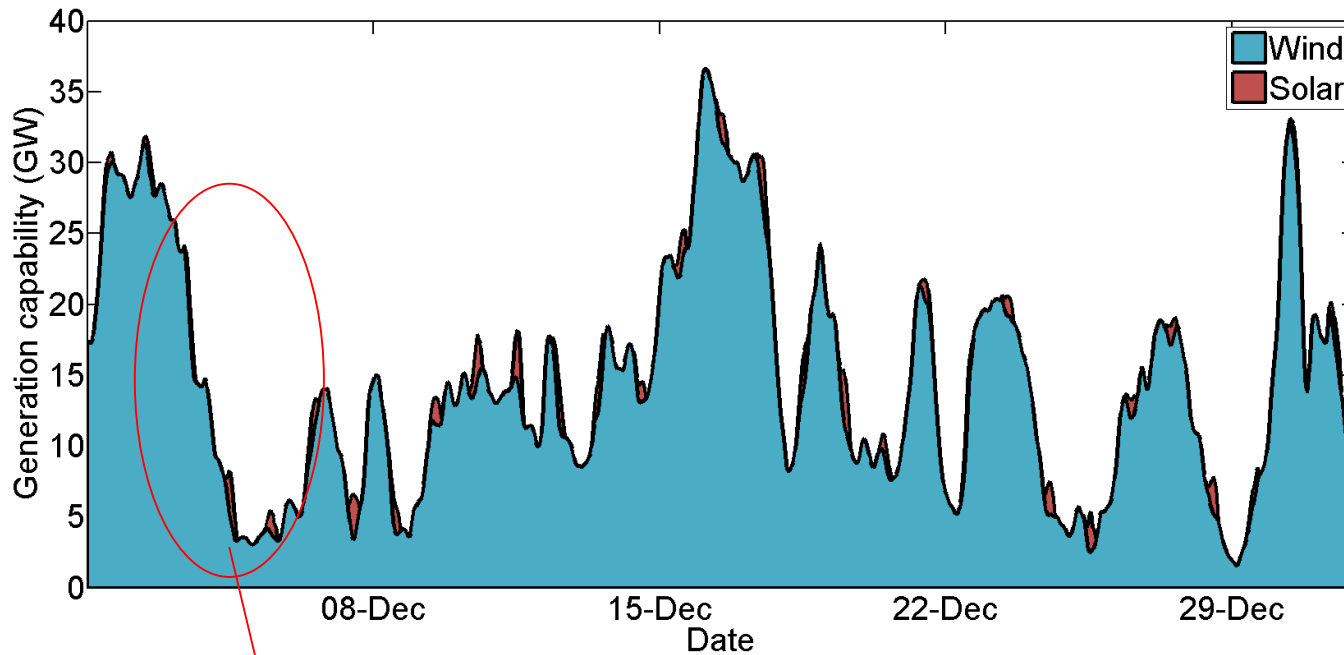
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# Intraday linepack swing – Historical example



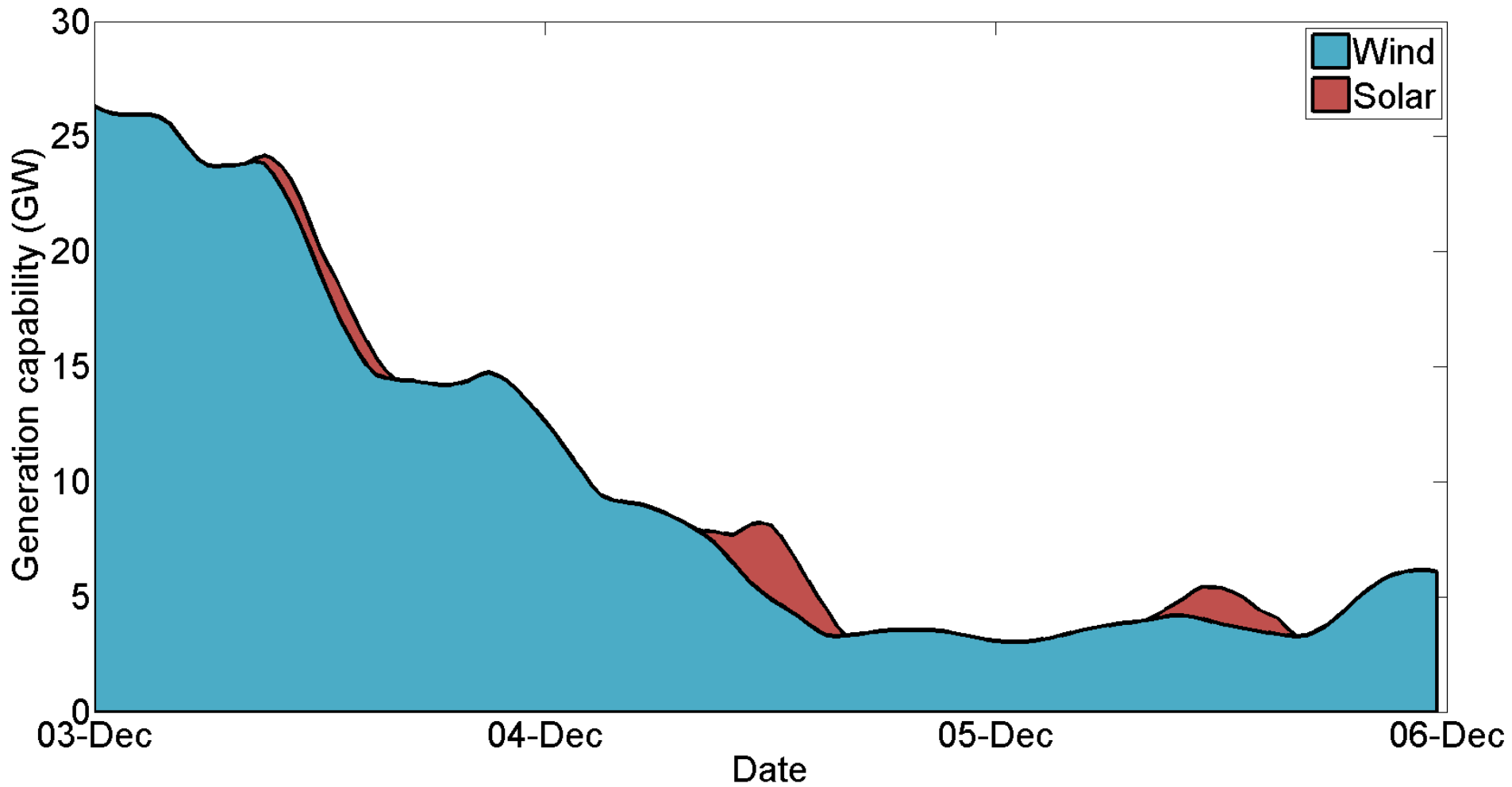
# RES variability and gas resilience



National Grid's 2030  
Gone Green Scenario:

- Wind 47.5 GW
- PV 15.6 GW

# Variability... and unpredictability...

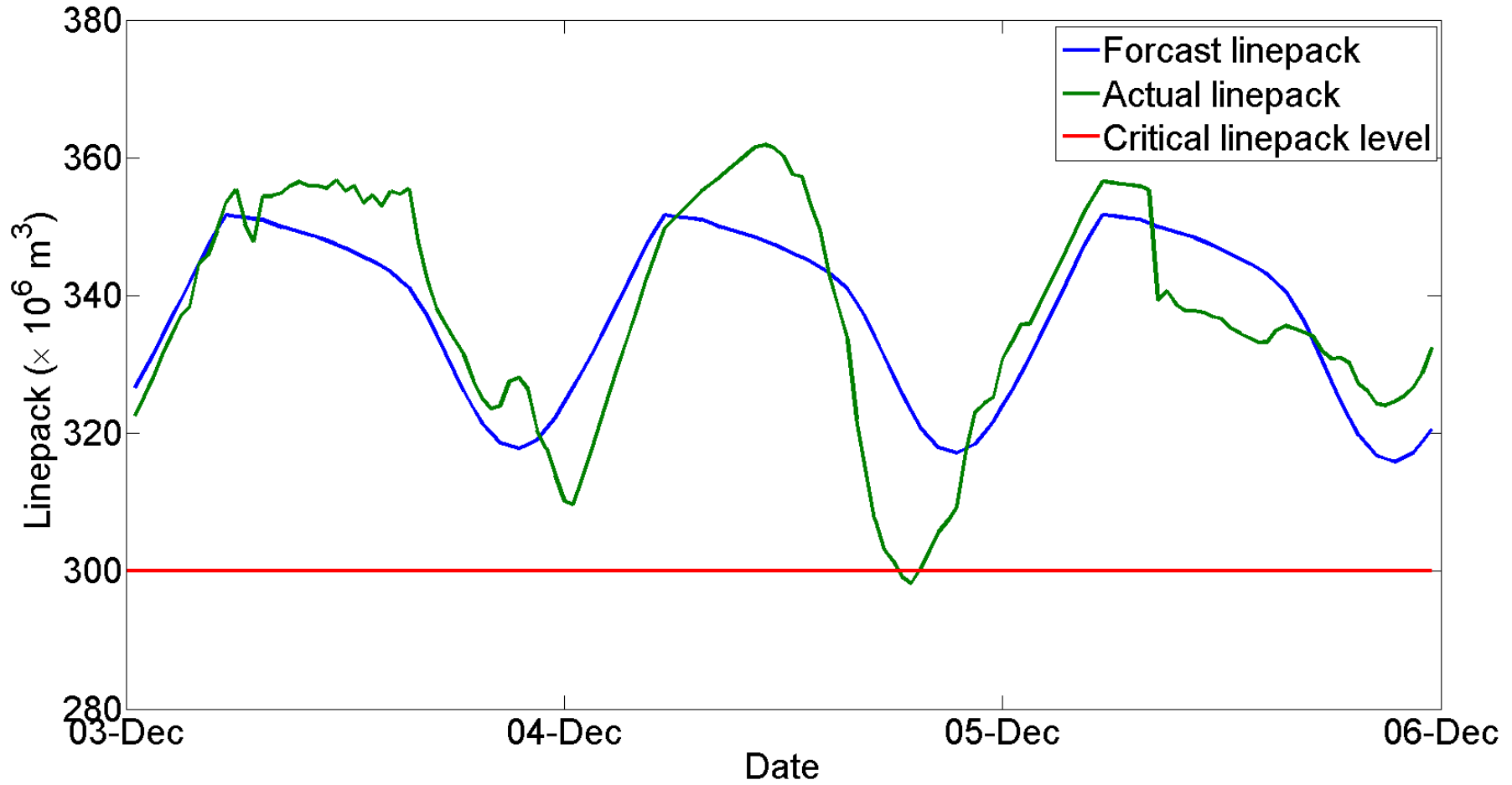


# Management by gas system operator

- Day ahead:
  - Sell transportation rights
  - Plan day's operation
- Within-day
  - Manage operation and network flows
  - Deal with real time changes to flows
  - Tendency to take retrospective action
  - On off-peak days, gas network operators extremely flexible allowing CCGTs to change their output at short notice
- After day
  - Act as residual balancer



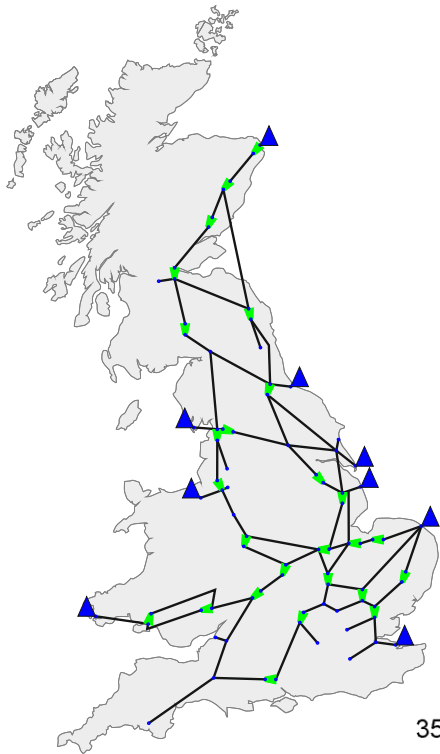
# Effect on linepack on gas network





# Whole-energy system modelling: Integrated electricity-heat-gas systems

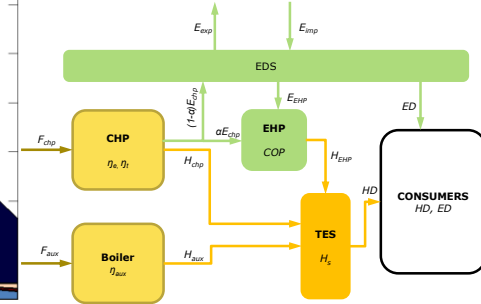
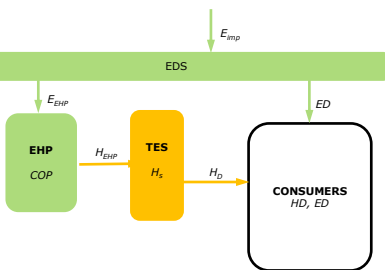
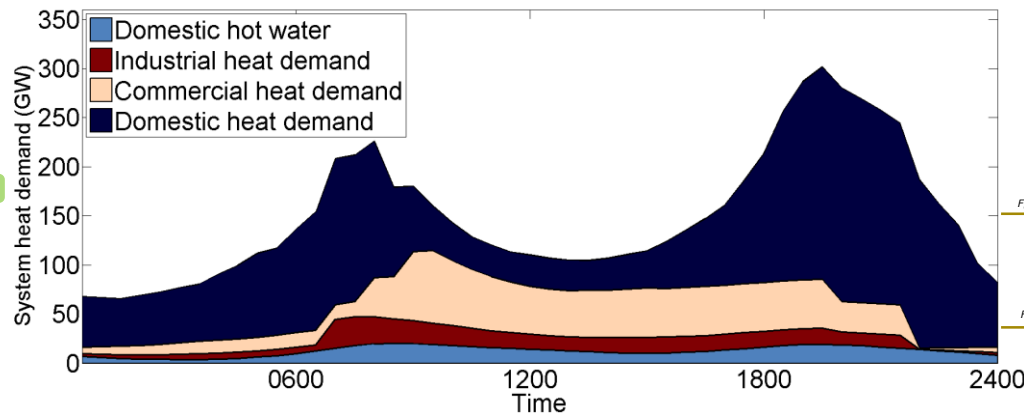
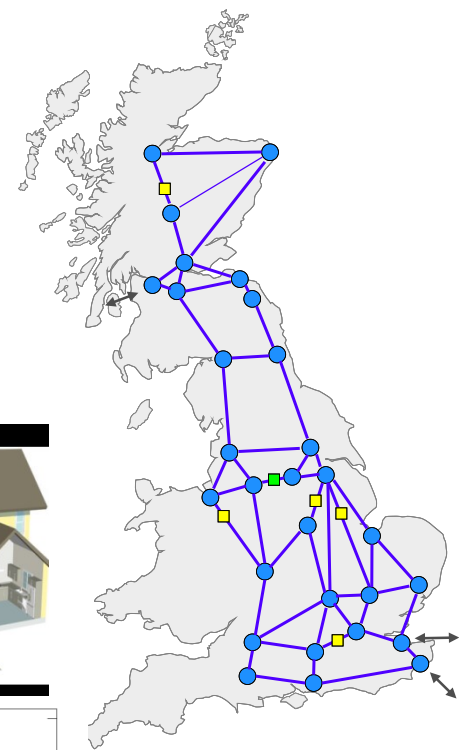
Gas network model



Heat regional model

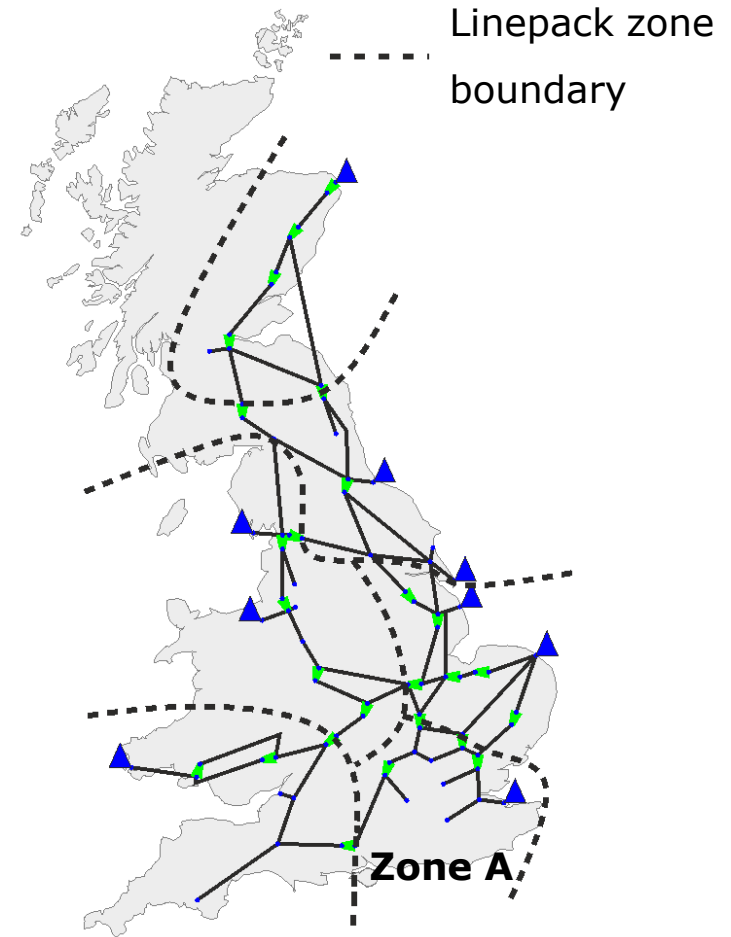


Electrical network model



# Linepack flexibility for integrated system analysis

- For each linepack zone define:
  - Maximum/minimum linepack for transport
  - Upper/lower linepack limits
  - Linepack flexibility
- Each assessed through iteratively running steady-state gas flows for predefined maximum/minimum pressures or linepack



# Integrated gas and electrical network flexibility

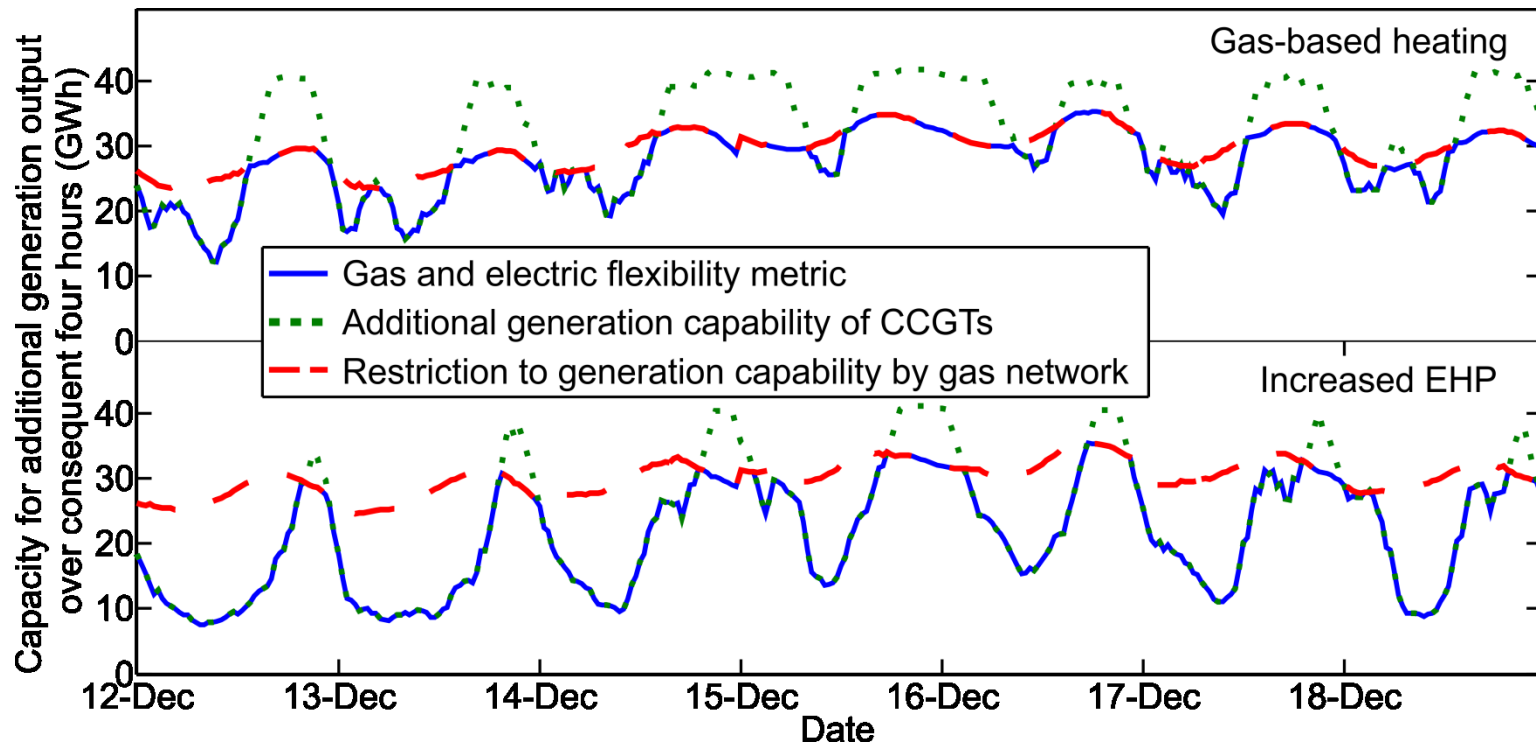
- Integrated metric considers
  - The upward generation capability of CCGTs from that scheduled over a given timeframe
  - Includes requirements for power system reserve
  - Linepack available to meet this flexibility
- Metric defined as the limit to increase in generation output considering bounds imposed by linepack limitations

# Flexibility case study: operational impacts

- Gas network operation assessed at 0600
- Wind forecast for the day are assessed at 0600 at which point the CCGT unit-commitment for the day is scheduled
- Upon change to CCGT dispatch, then that scheduled linepack flexibility is utilized
- Gas is replenished by an increase in terminal/storage flow 2 hours after change in CCGT output
- Consider a flexibility utilisation period of 4 hours

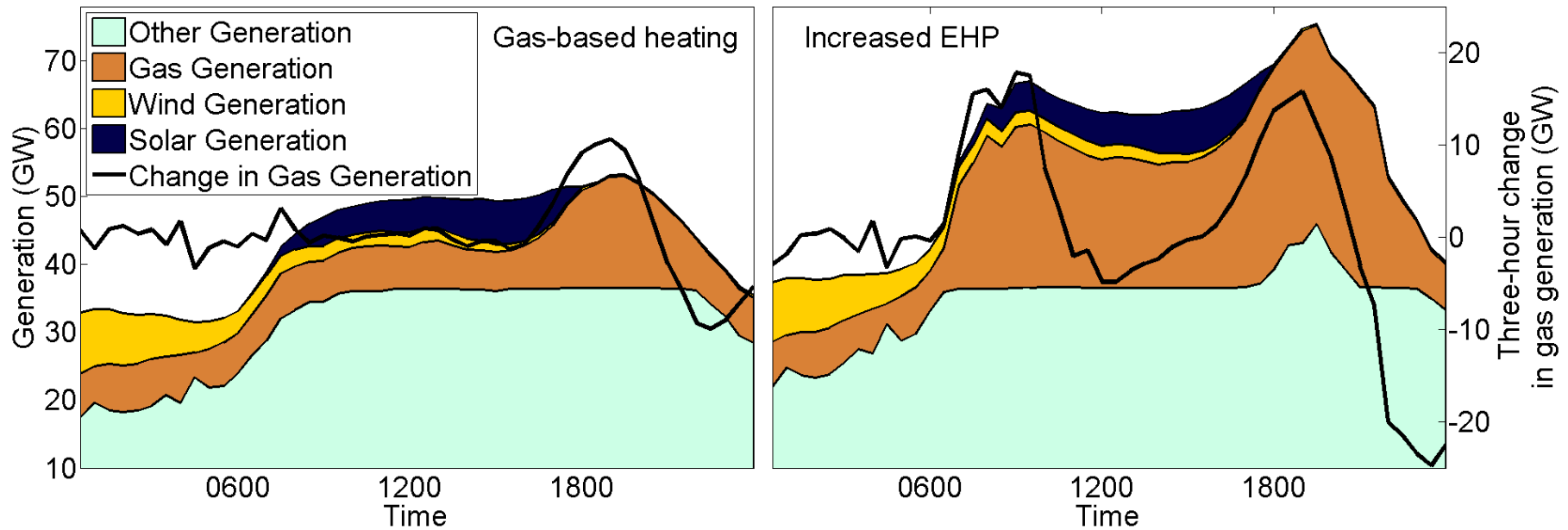
# Flexibility case study: operational impacts

Compared gas-based with electrified heating scenarios



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# Impact of heating electrification on gas generation ramps

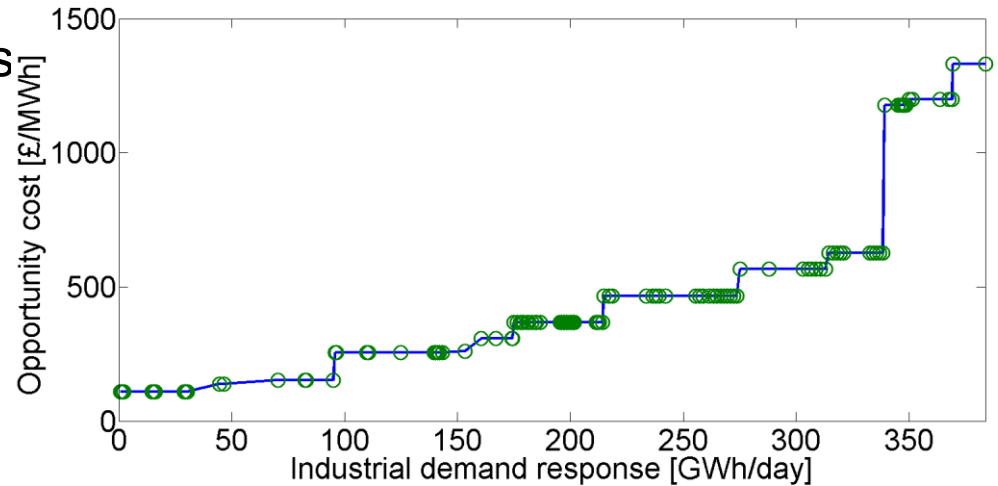


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# Benefits of demand response in gas sector

## Demand response opportunities:

- Many industrial gas customers can offer price-driven demand response
- Hybrid heating technologies (e.g., hybrid CHP and boiler) can reduce gas demand

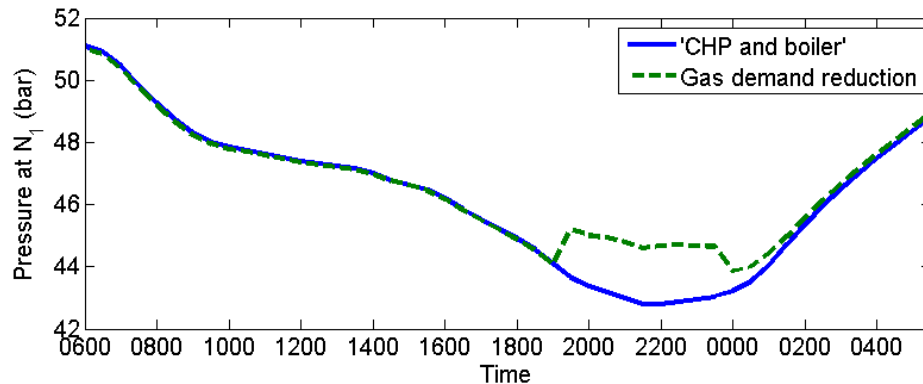


## Demand response benefits:

- Avoid gas network expansion for meeting days of extreme cold conditions
- Alleviate supply limitations and gas transportation limitations

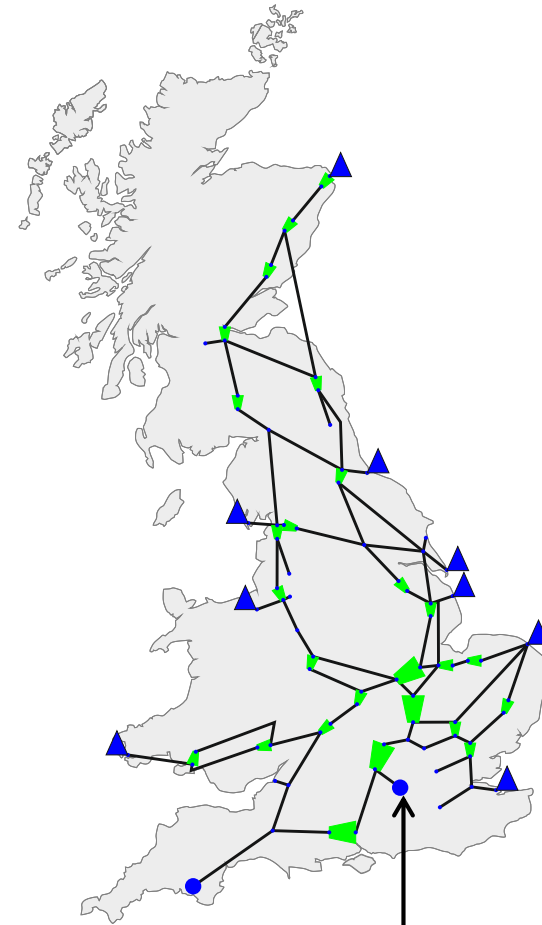
# Hybrid CHP and boiler as a means of demand response in gas network

- Gas network extremities are prone to low pressure violations
- Gas demand response can raise pressures at critical hours in day



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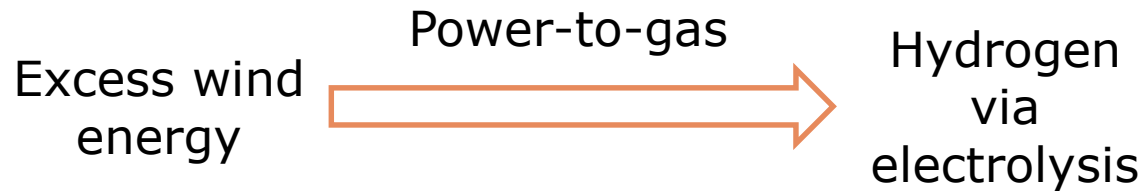
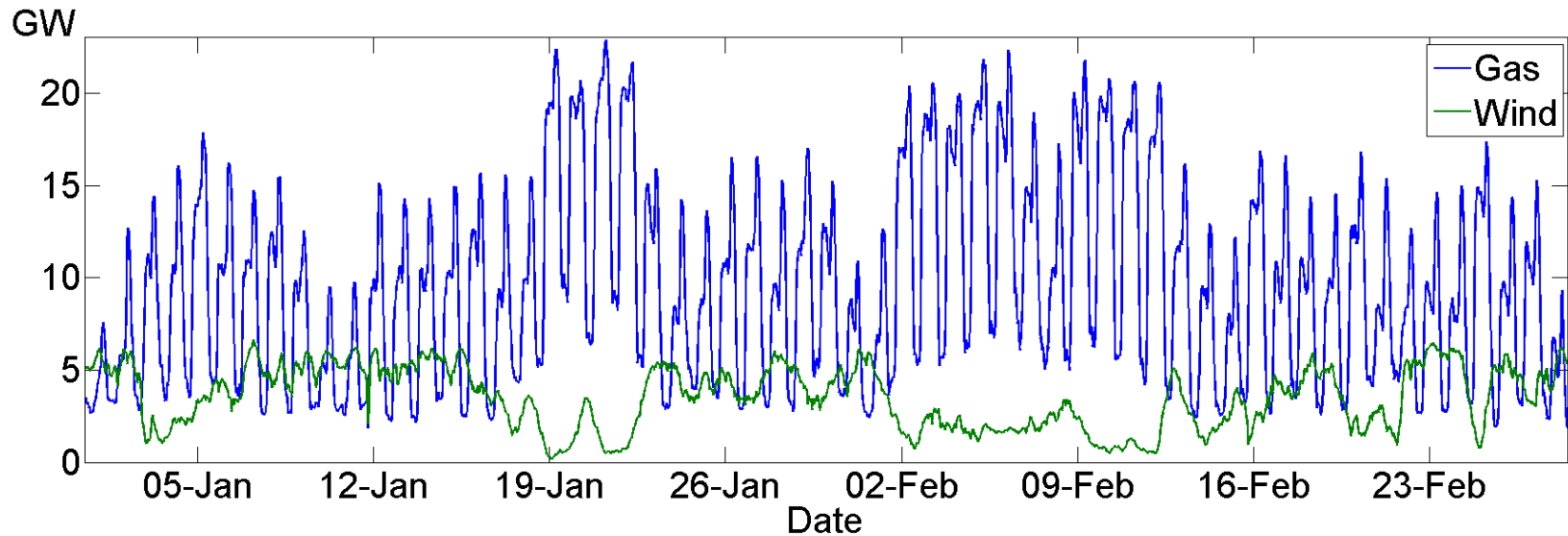
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Node of low pressure and high gas demand ( $N_1$ )

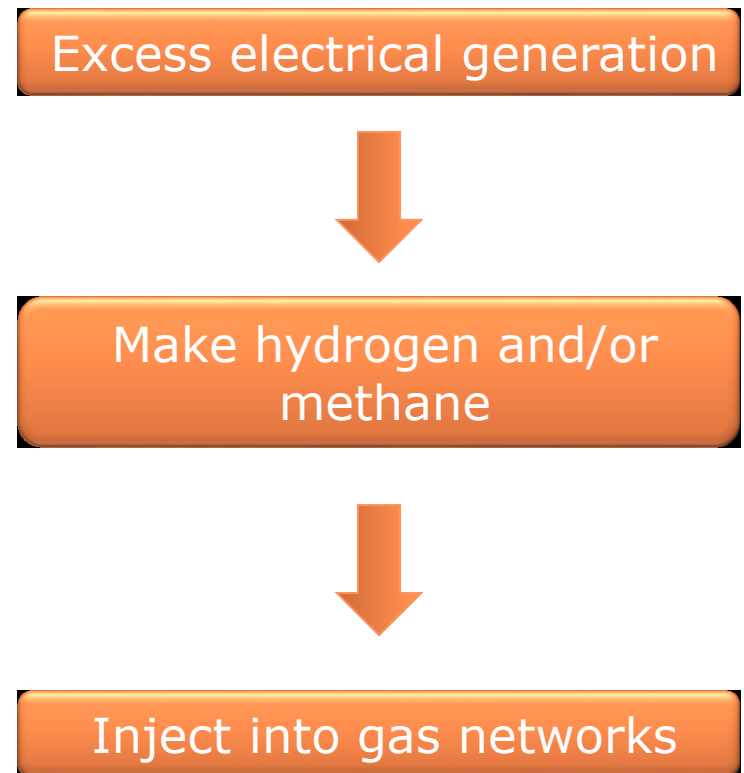


# What is the future of the gas network?

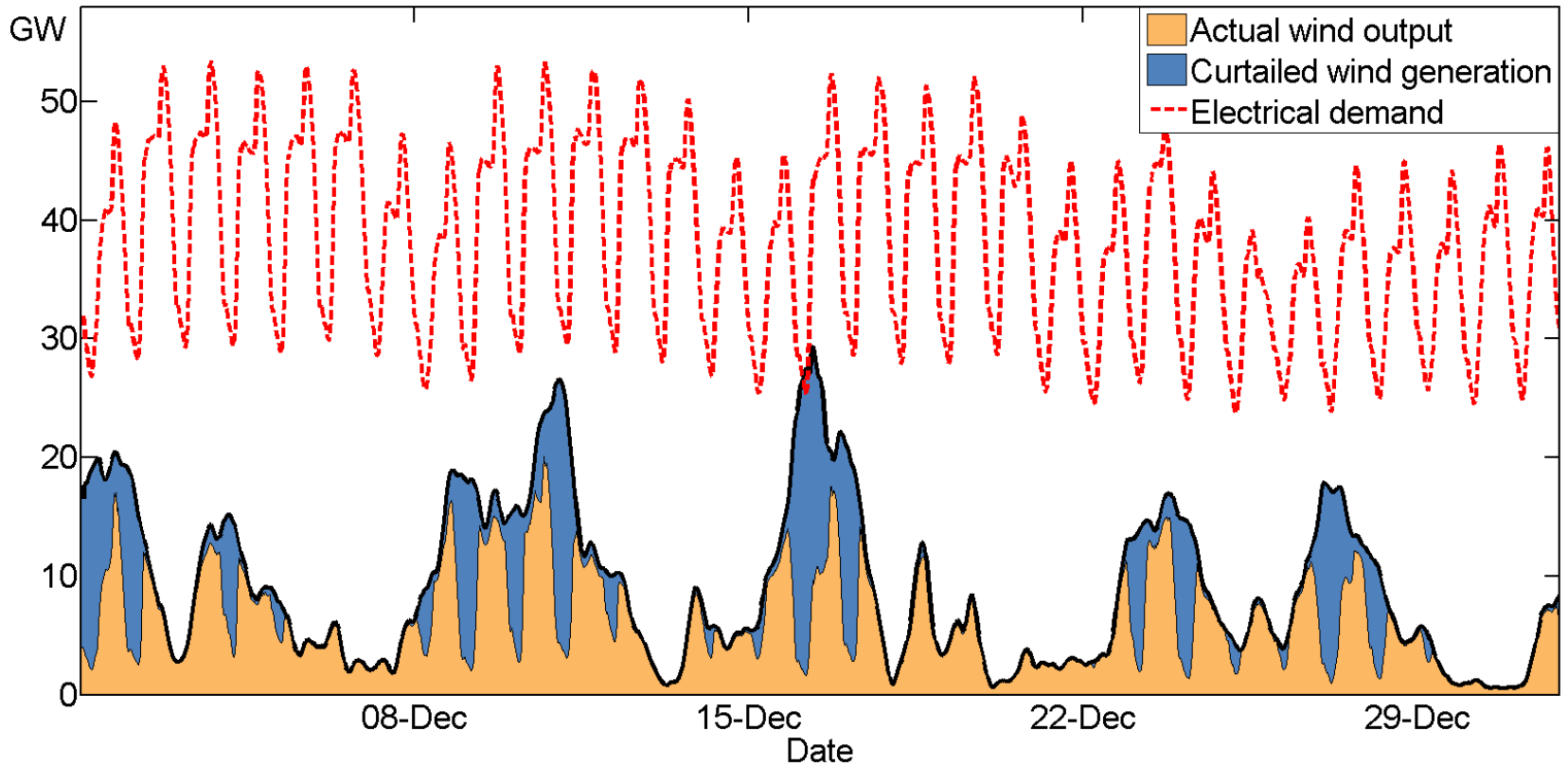


# Power-to-gas

- Utilising cheap, otherwise wasted energy
- Increases proportion of generation from renewables
- Use of hydrogen as a substitute to natural gas leads to reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Can be used as a means of storing the wasted energy



# Wind curtailment



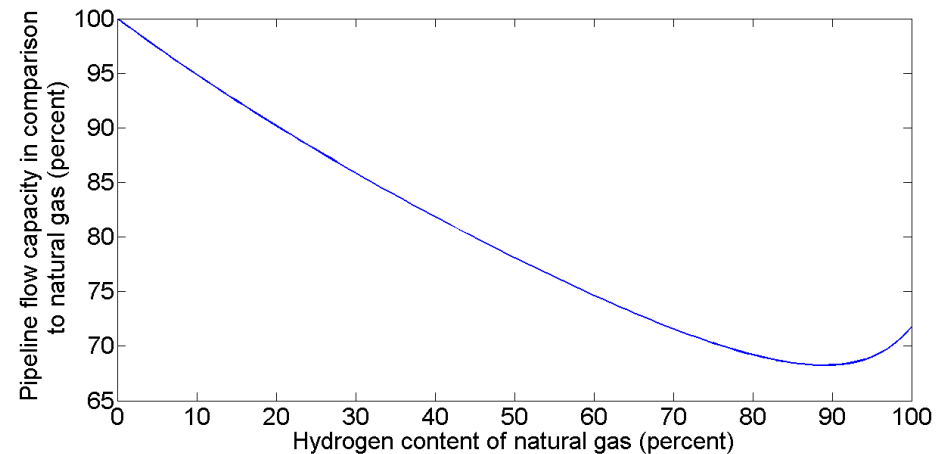
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# The hydrogenation and methanation process

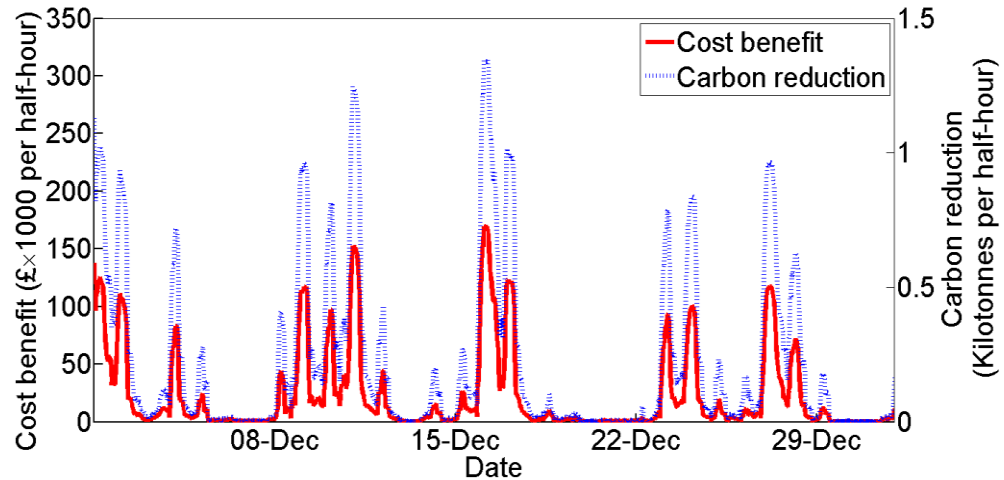
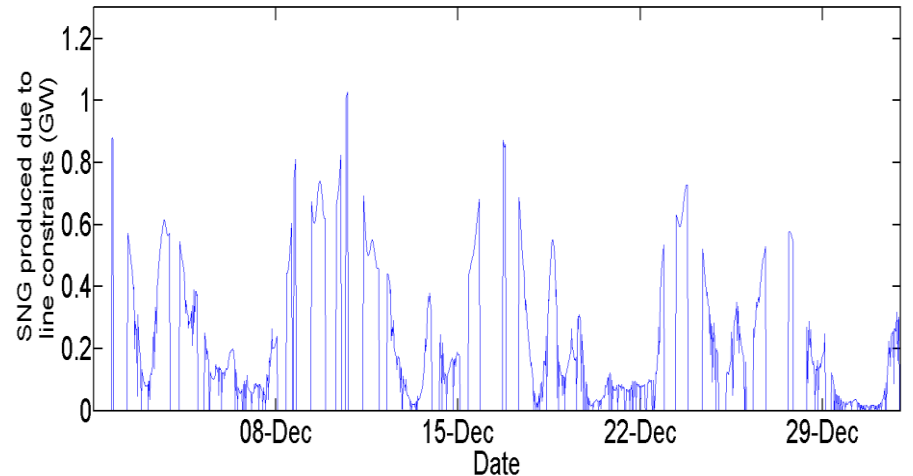
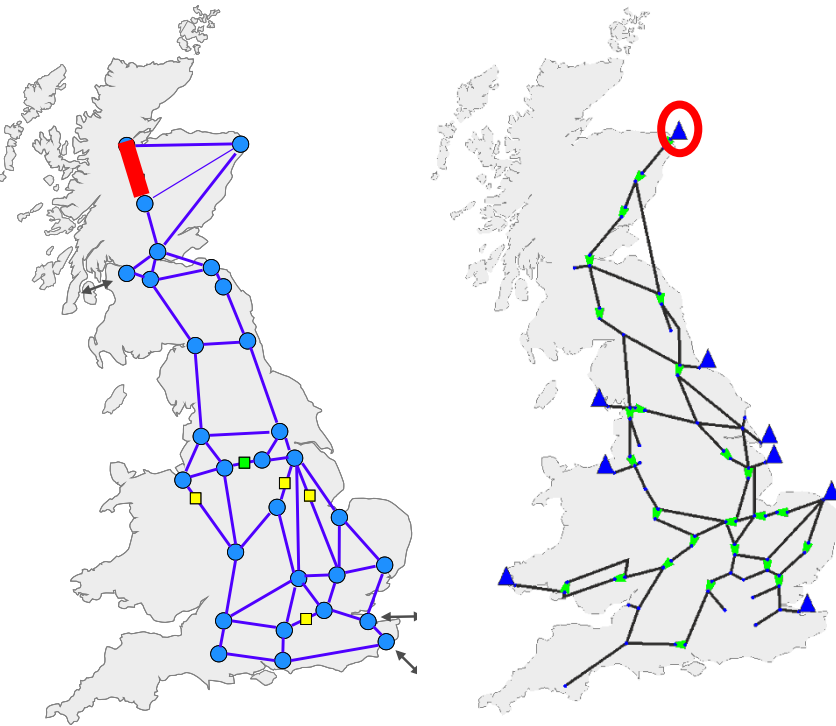
- Hydrogen production
  - Produced via electrolysis at electrolyser
  - Proton exchange membrane (PEM) have efficiency 77%
  - The electrolysers are able to ramp up and down quickly to follow sudden changes in the wind output
  
- Methanation process
  - Converting of hydrogen into synthetic natural gas
  - Process can be biological or chemical
  - Efficiency 75-85%
  - Efficiency of combined process 43-62%

# The introduction of hydrogen into gas network

- Limits on the level of hydrogen in the gas network
  - Regulatory restrictions
  - Technical restrictions
  - Blending would be helped by blending upstream with help of throughput to distribute hydrogen
  
- For modelling:
  - Supposed limits on the level of hydrogen in the gas network
  - Regulatory restrictions



# Integrated system operation: P2G to bypass electricity constraints

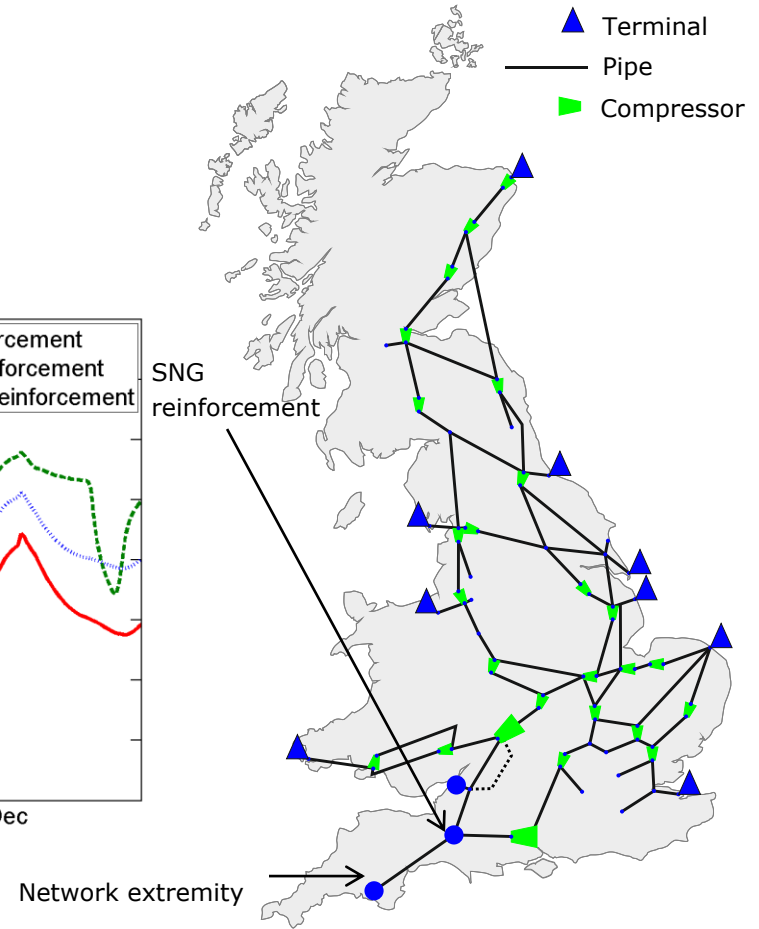
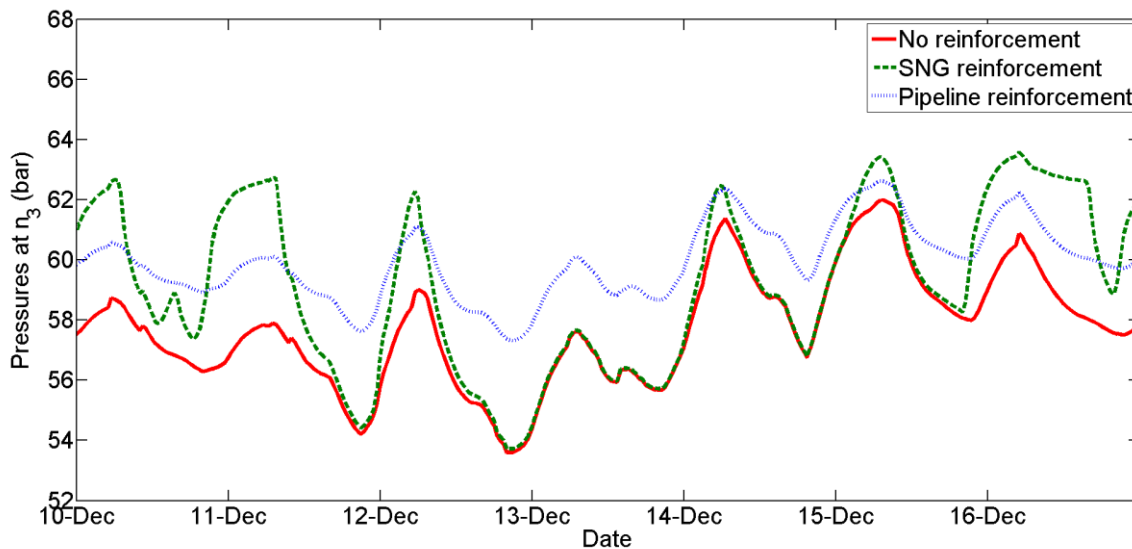


Modelling the impact of H2 injection on gas flows

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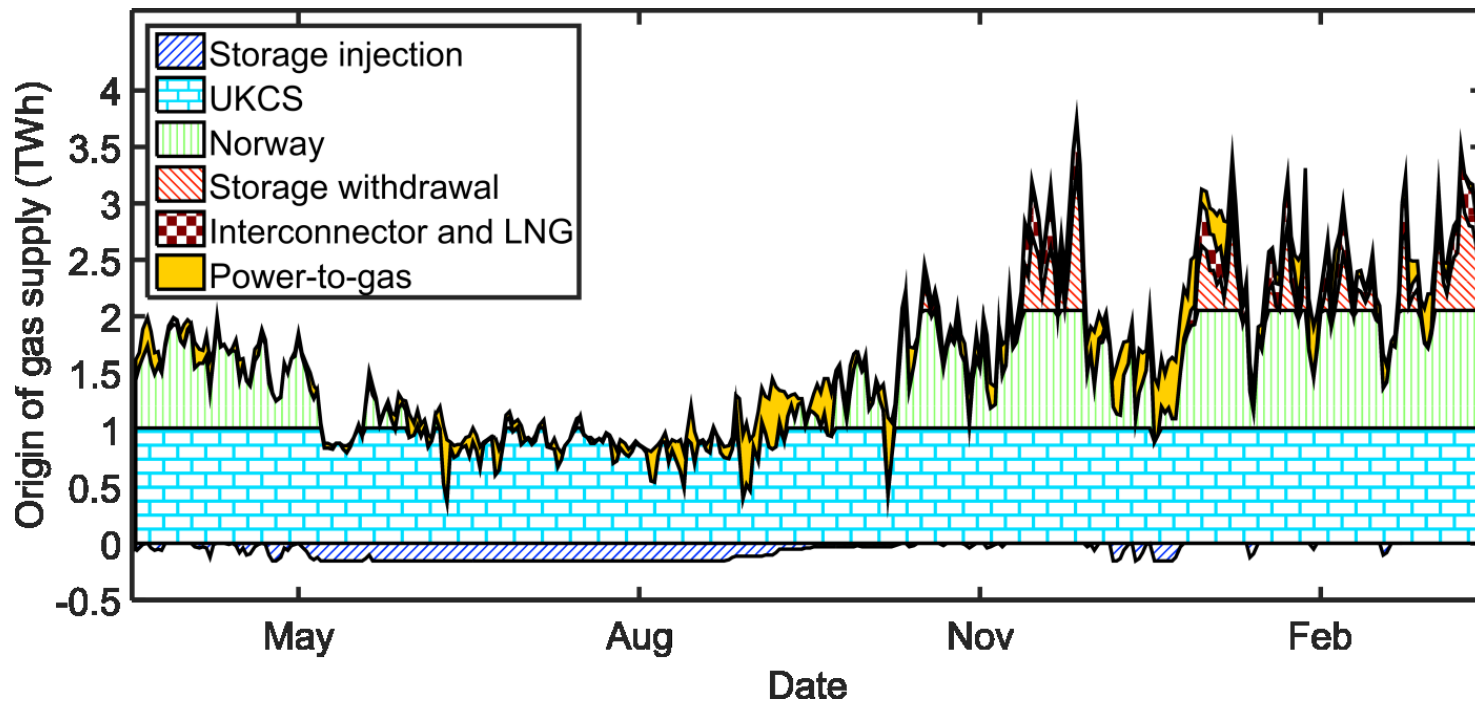
# Gas network congestion relief – GB study

Impact of power-to-gas on pressures of gas network extremities



# Integrated system operation: P2G for seasonal storage

Installed generation capacities		Peak demand [GW]
Wind [GW]	Solar [GW]	
92	40	87

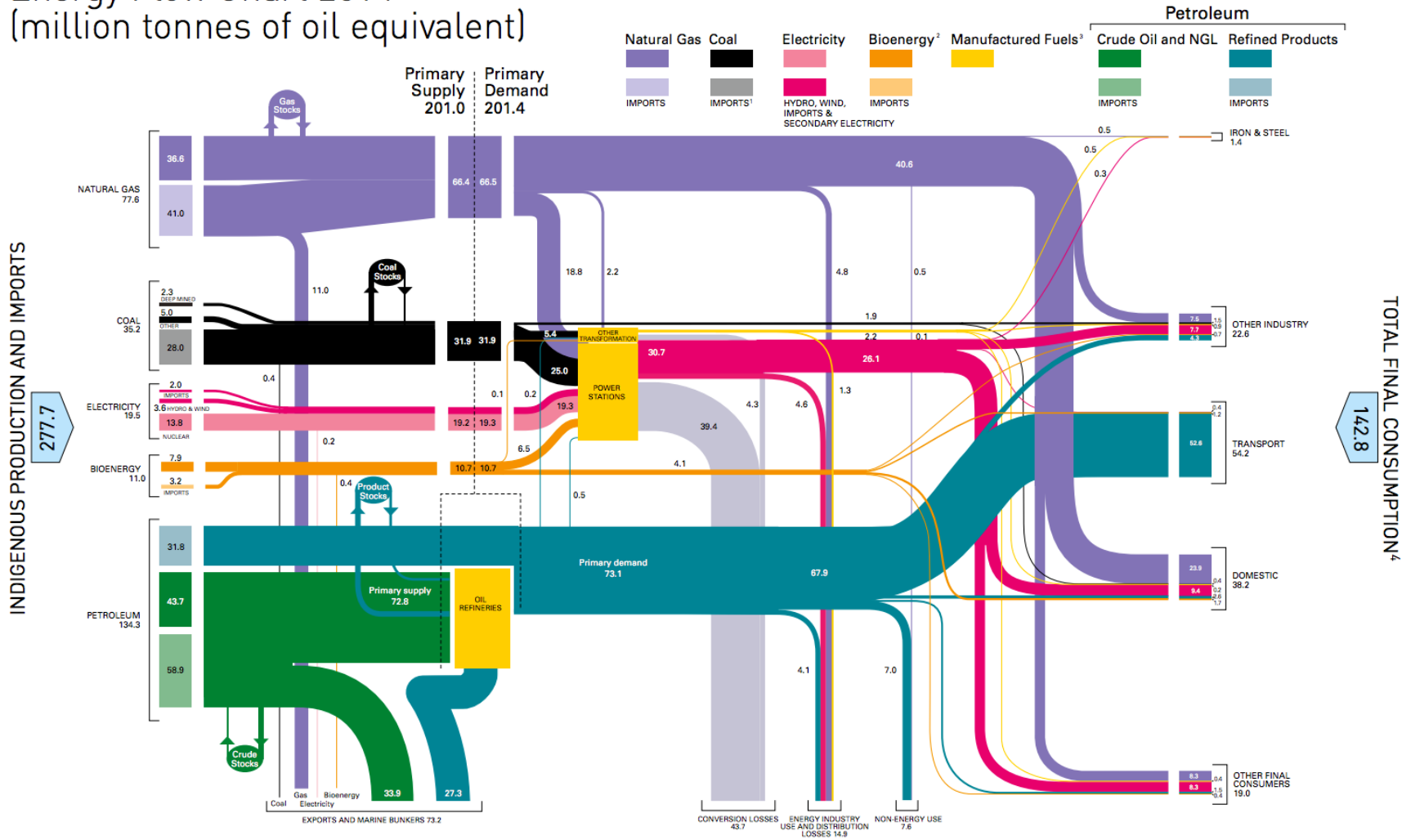


- Use of gas network for RES storage - Impact on gas prices over seasons



# How about transport?

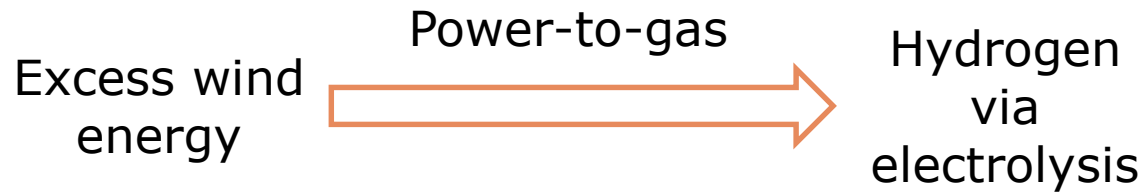
Energy Flow Chart 2014  
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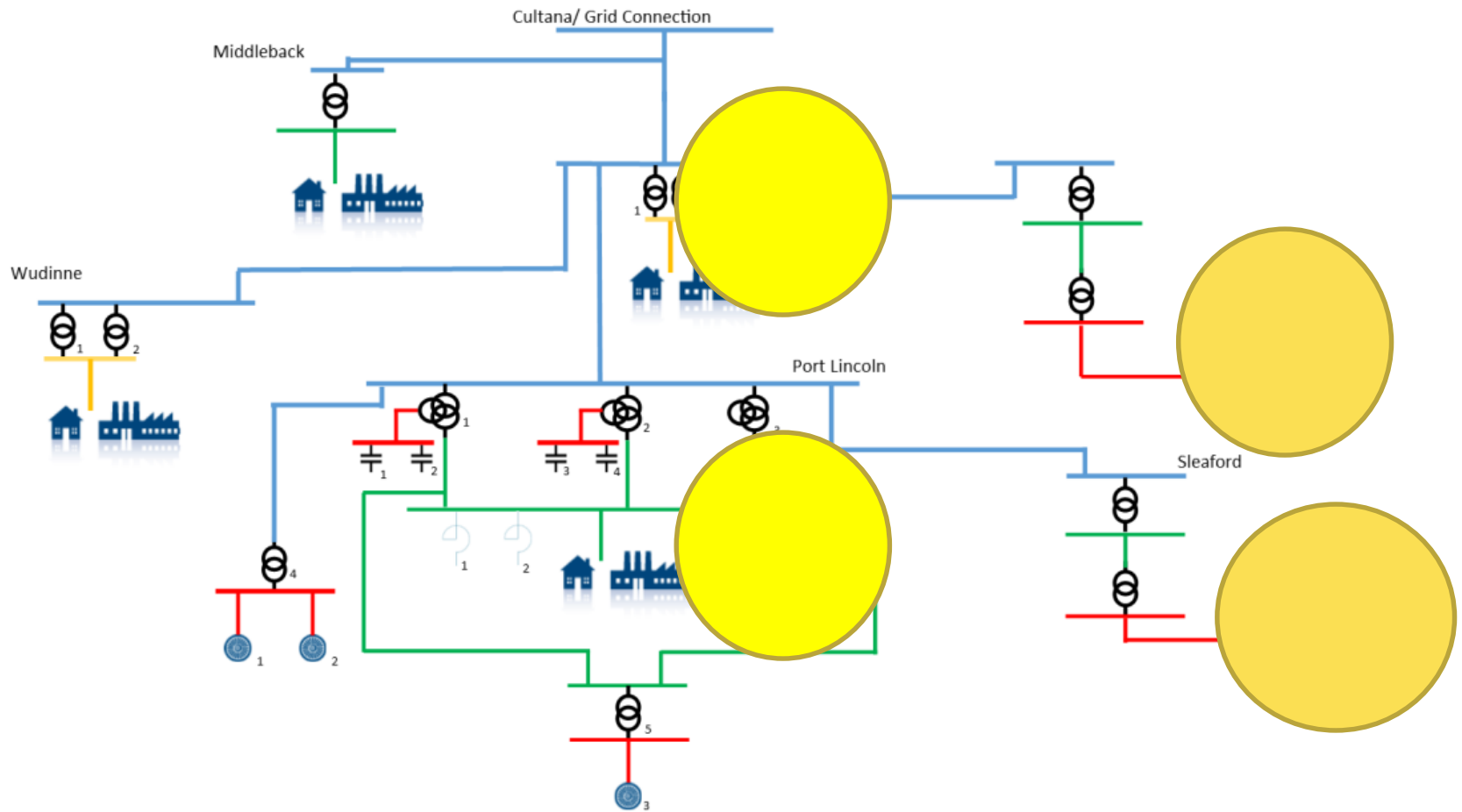
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# Power-to-hydrogen-to-X

Moves to decarbonise transportation sector via hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles



# A look down under!



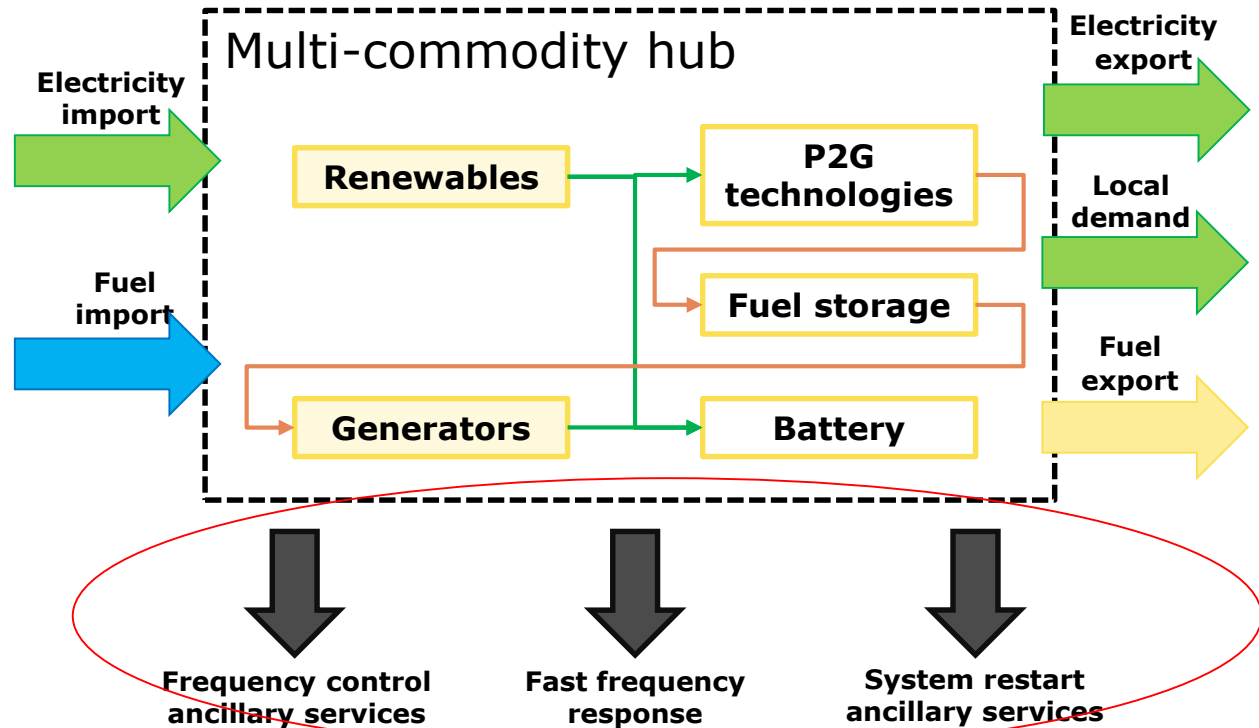
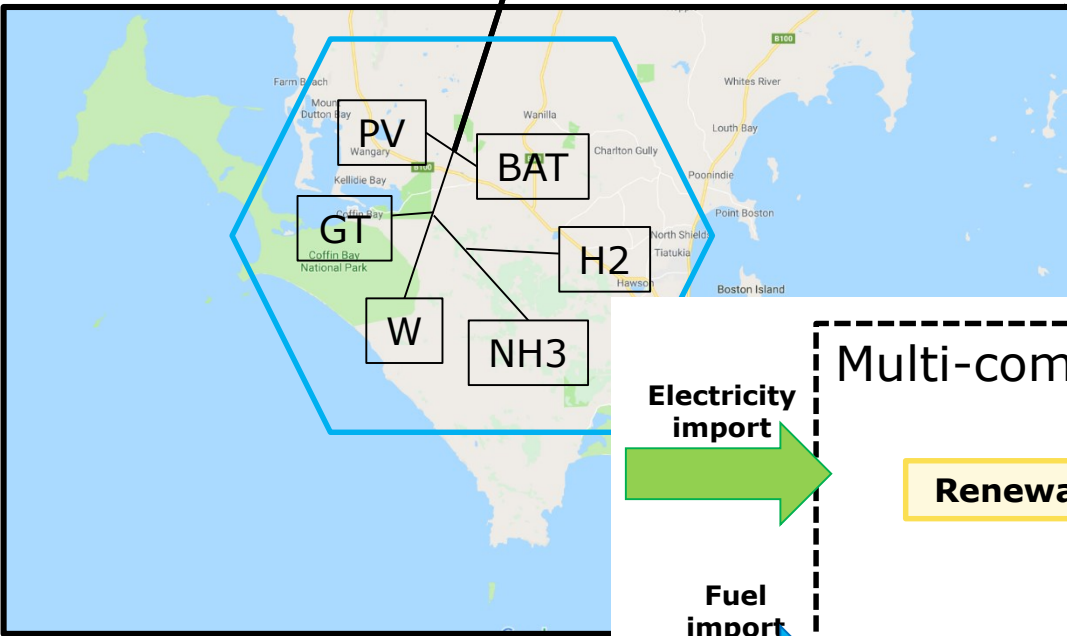
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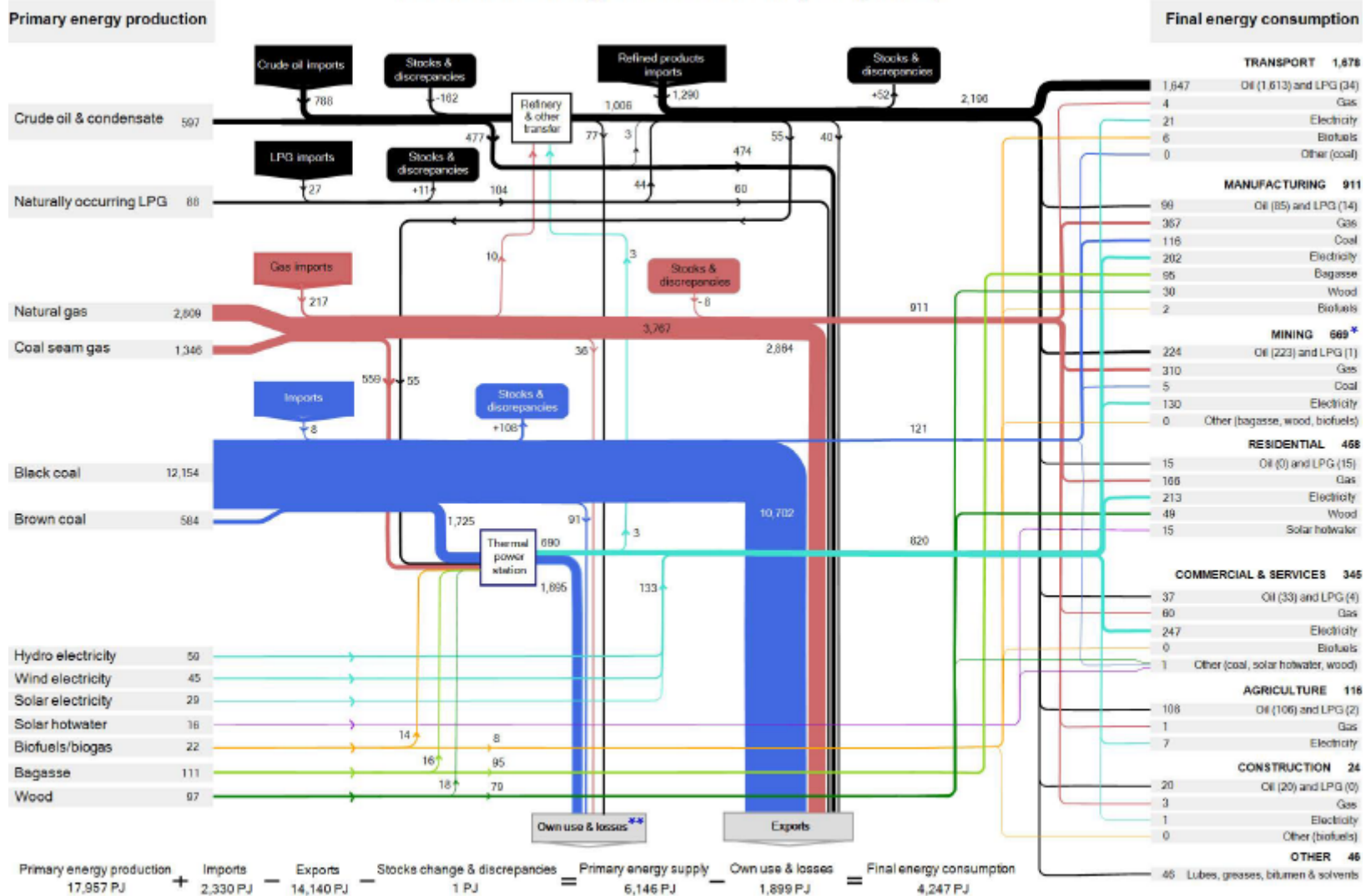
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# The bigger picture: It's not (at all) only about electricity...

Australian Energy Flows 2016-17 (Petajoules)



NOTES: Numbers may not add due to rounding \* Includes LNG plant own use of gas \*\* Conversion plants own fuel use & losses, and transmission losses

SOURCE: Australian Energy Statistics 2018, Table A and Table F



# Key ongoing projects

- **Future Fuel CRC**
  - System-level and regional integrated electricity-gas-hydrogen modelling
  - City-level integrated energy system studies
- **UK National Grid**
  - Review of planning methodologies
- Looking forward to collaborations!

## Concluding remarks

- Renewables introduce power system flexibility challenges
- Gas generators are greatly affected
- Increasing need for electricity-gas system operation and market coordination
- This will be enhanced in the future with electrification and new energy vectors (hydrogen)
- Need for coordinated expansion that takes into account multiple forms of uncertainty in planning

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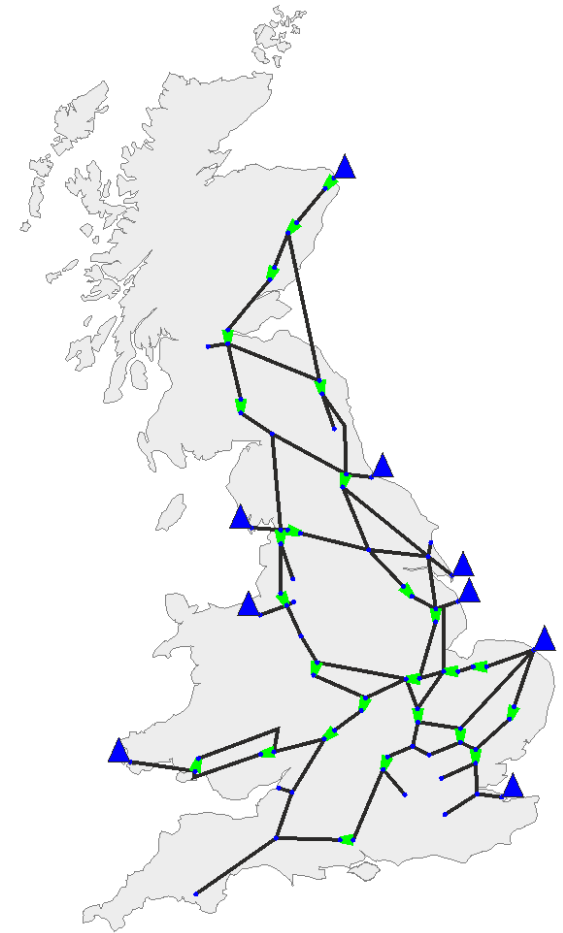
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# Terminals

- Beach terminals/wells
  - Little flexibility
  - Flat delivery throughout the day
- LNG
  - Can respond to network requirements within an hour
- Interconnectors
  - British-Irish interconnector exports over the day, British-Dutch interconnector faster turn-around



# Storage

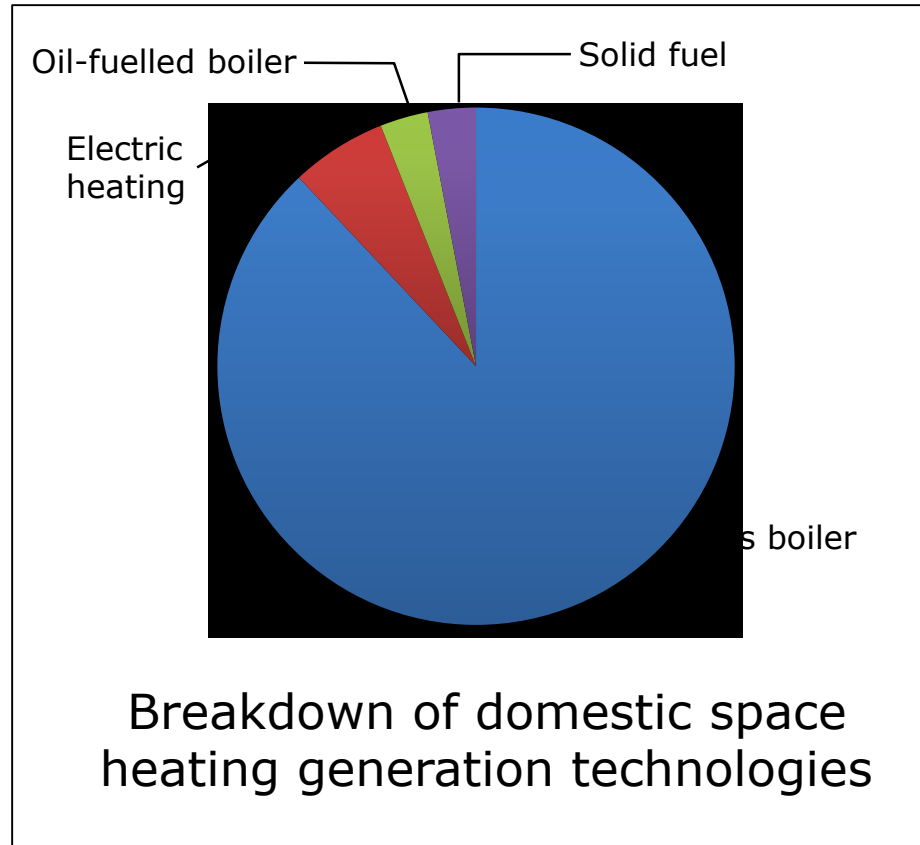
- Long-term/seasonal storage
  - Depleted gas fields
  - Meets seasonal variations in demand and price
- Medium-term storage
  - Salt caverns
  - Responds to both daily and intraday price signals
- Short-term/peak-shaving LNG
  - Meets peak day demand
  - Can be a substitute for gas network reinforcement

# Application of alternative modelling

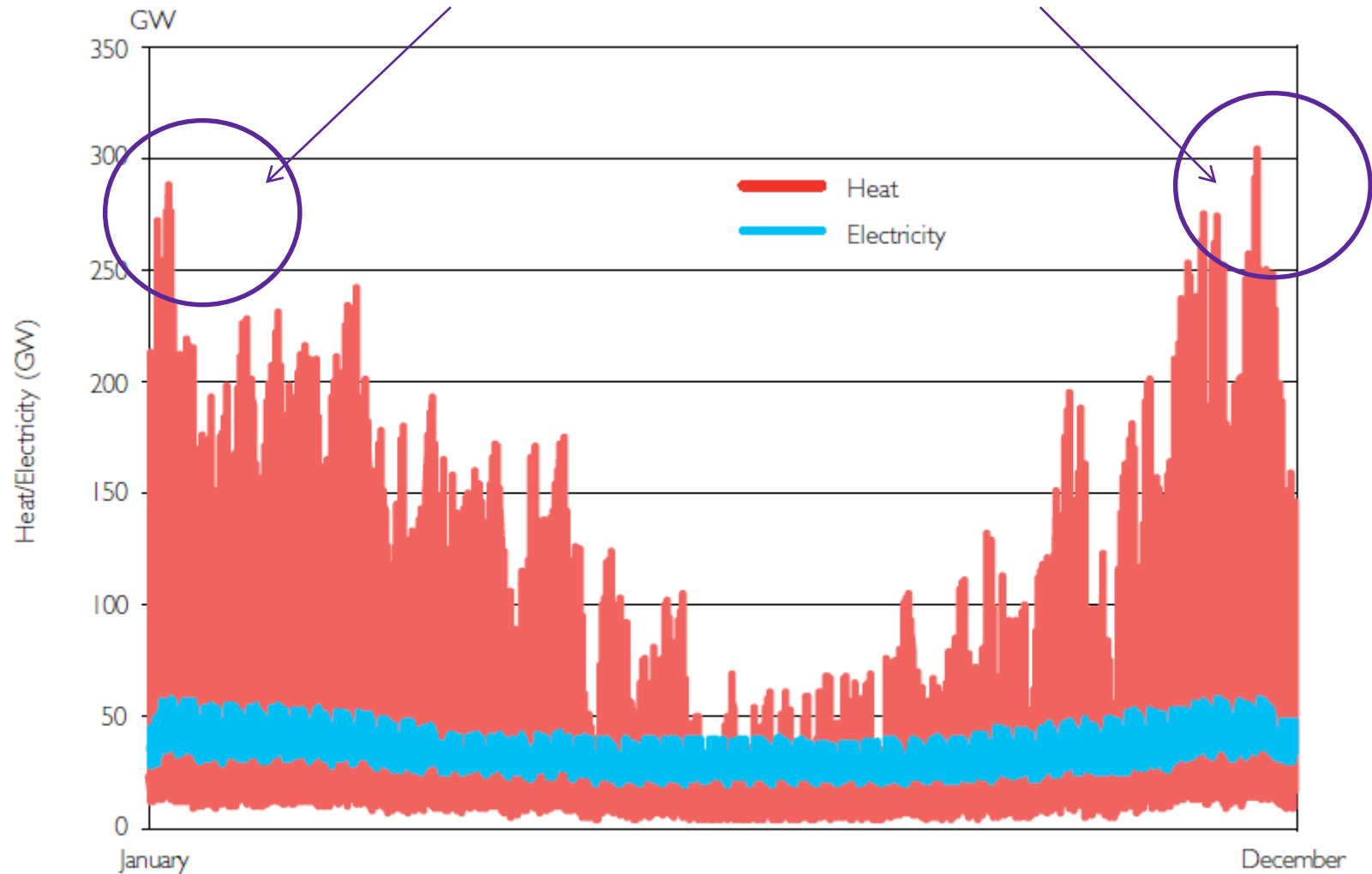
- Steady-state analysis
  - Examples of application:
    - day ahead network operation planning
    - network expansion planning
    - when the variations in flows are small
    - pipeline capacity evaluations
  - Assumption of supply-demand balance
  
- Transient analysis
  - Examples of application:
    - Real time modelling
    - Evaluation of pipeline gas storage, linepack variations
    - System pressures throughout the day

# Motivation – The current UK heating sector

- 37% of UK CO<sub>2</sub> emissions arise from the heating sector
- Any attempt to meet targets in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions needs to include a change in the heat generating technologies
- The primary fuel used for heating in the UK is natural gas



# Electrification: the magnitude of the problem...



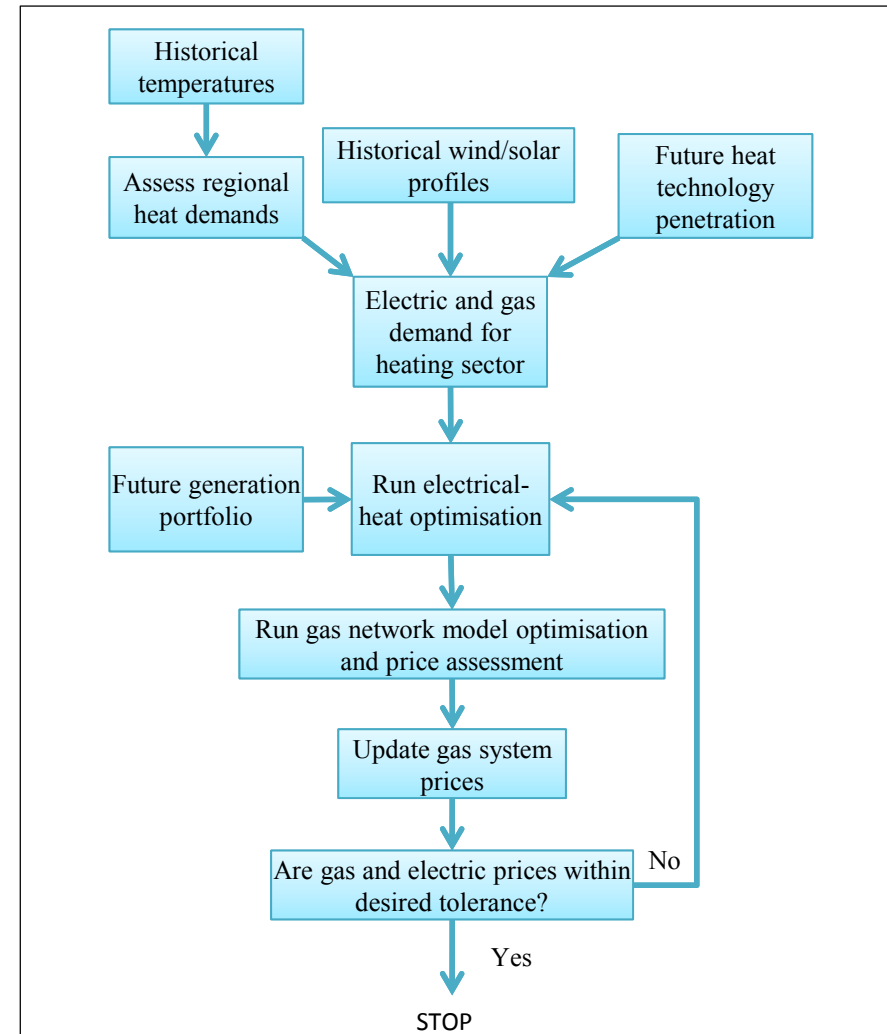
Source: Courtesy of Imperial College. For illustrative purposes only and based on actual half-hourly electricity demand from National Grid and an estimate of half hourly heat demand.

# Integrated system modelling

- System modelling accounts for
  - Meeting electricity and heat demands by cheapest means
  - Electrical line constraints (assessed using DC OPF)
  - Gas transmission line constraints (assessed using steady-state analysis)
  - Regional wind/solar generation
  - Regional gas prices

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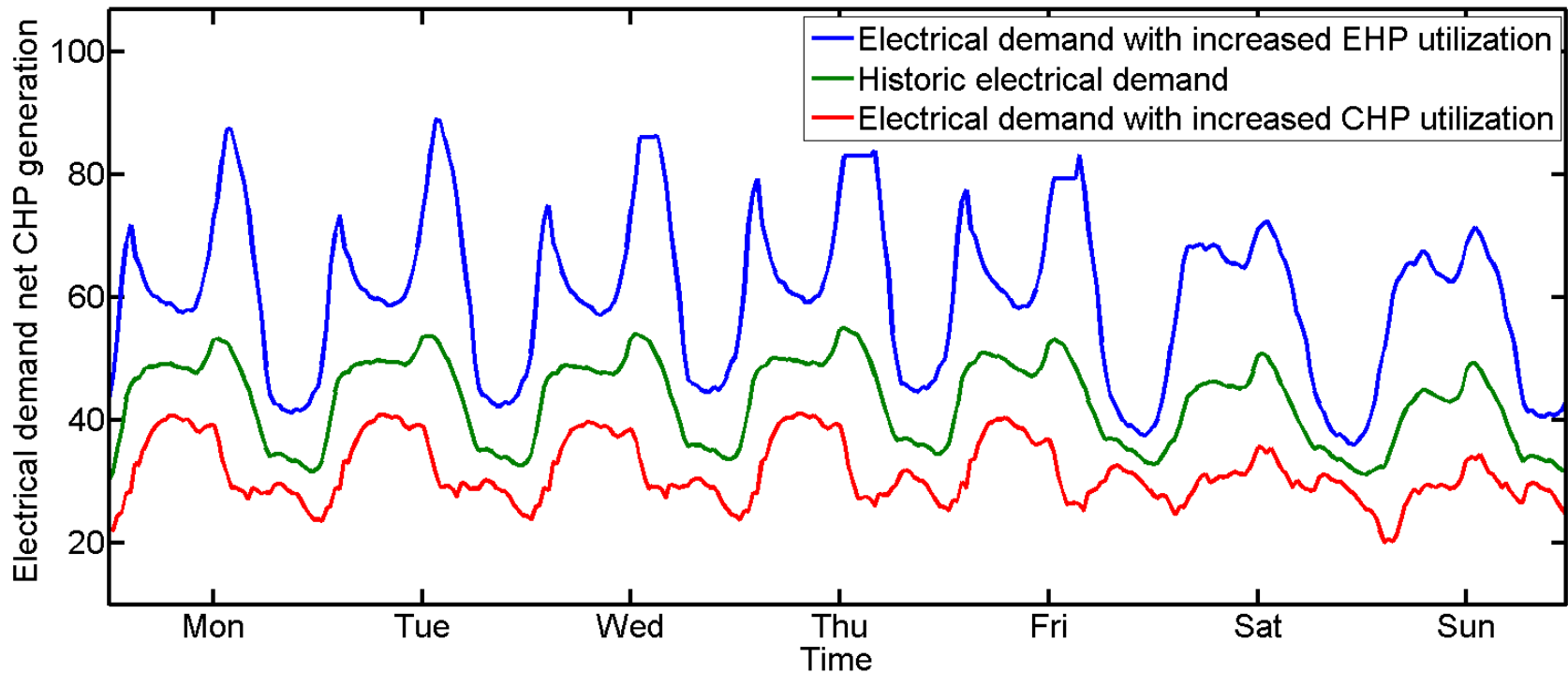
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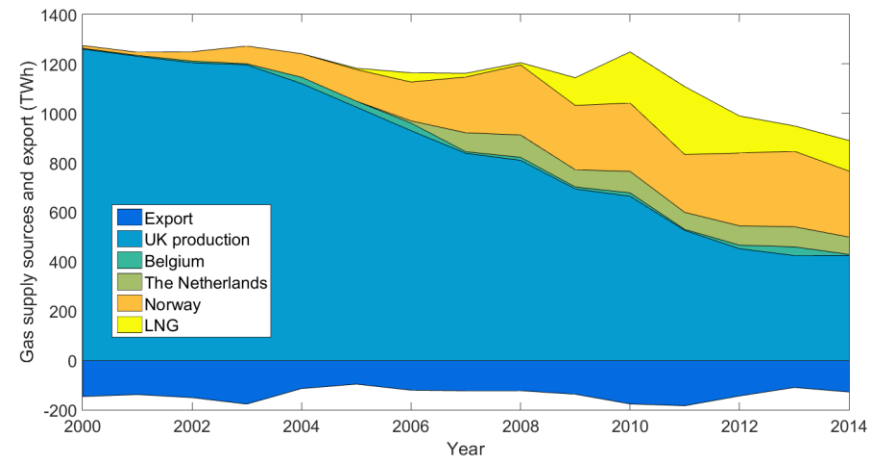
# Impacts of heating sector changes to power sector

- Electrification of heating leads to increases in electricity demand
- Morning increase in heat demand precedes increase in electrical demand leading to lower electrical demand net CHP generation



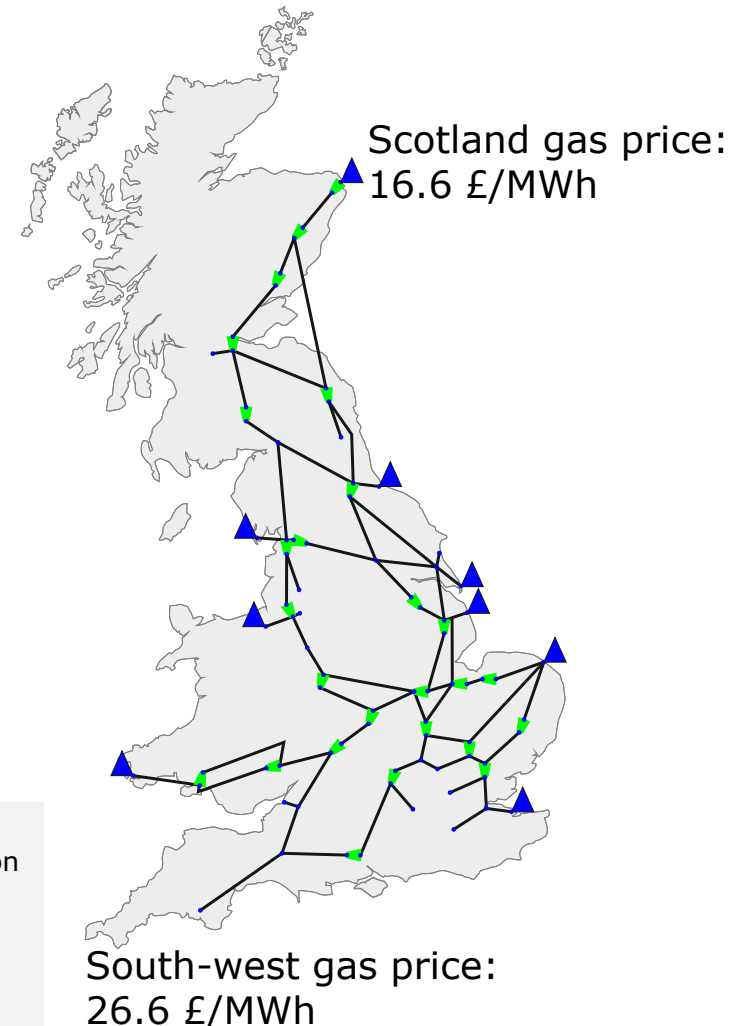
# Resilience study – Background and precedents in Britain

- Decommissioning of ageing gas storage infrastructure
  - Rough storage facility, accounting for 70% of Britain’s gas storage capacity, set for closure
- Change in Britain gas supplies
  - Since 2014, Britain has been a net importer of gas
  - In long-term forecasts, Britain expects LNG to be the principal source of gas
  - International factors influence gas availability in Britain



# Implications of gas network transportation on peak day requirements

- Scenario considers:
  - Storage decommissioning/outages reduces supply by  $136 \times 10^6$  m<sup>3</sup> of gas
  - Demand is 97% of supply capability
- British network capable of meeting peak day requirements
- Peak day compressor fuel requirements and transportation limitations leads to large variations in gas price
- South-west gas price 60% greater than minimum price

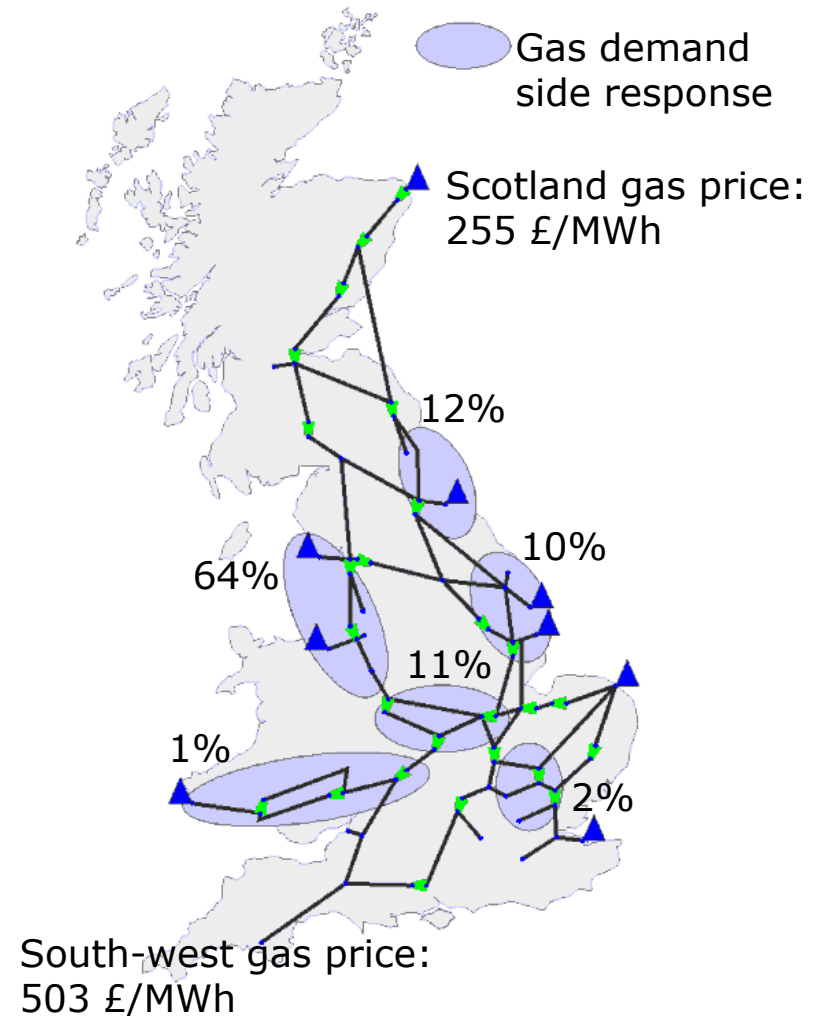


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# Opportunities for gas demand response

- Scenario considers:
  - Storage decommissioning/outages reduces supply by  $136 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$  of gas
  - Limited LNG availability due to tanker delivery schedule
  - Demand exceeds supply by 116 GWh/day
- Gas demand response predominantly from industry in Northern England allows for maintaining firm gas demand



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# Fuel cell electric vehicles

## Fuel cell vehicles

- On-board fuel cell used to convert hydrogen into electric power to drive motor
- Refuelling occurs at hydrogen refuelling stations
- Refuelling process takes a couple of minutes
- A hydrogen fuel cell car can have range of over 500km

## Refuelling stations

- Can create hydrogen using on-site electrolyser
- On-site storage allows for decoupling of electrolyser power demand from vehicle demand
- Electrolysers have extremely flexible characteristics and are able to react to power system changes and offer ancillary services

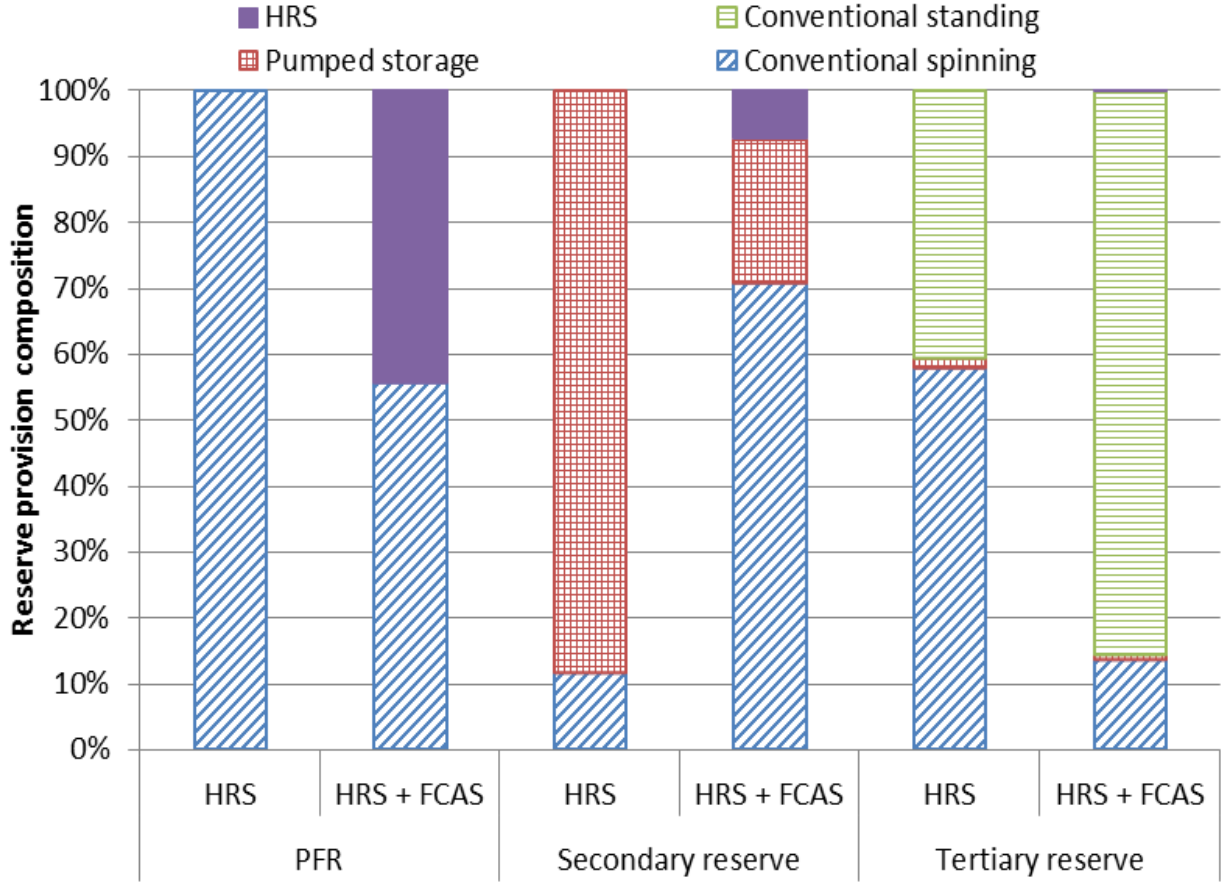
# Looking at the system value: FCAS from electrolyzers

- Modelling considers roll-out of hydrogen electric vehicles which leads to 3% increase in power system demand

	No contribution to FCAS	With contribution to FCAS	Reduction
Carbon emissions (Mtonnes CO <sub>2</sub> e / year)	31.1	12.3	61%
Operating costs (£×10 <sup>9</sup> / year)	5.84	4.74	19%

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# Electrolyser contribution to power system ancillary services



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