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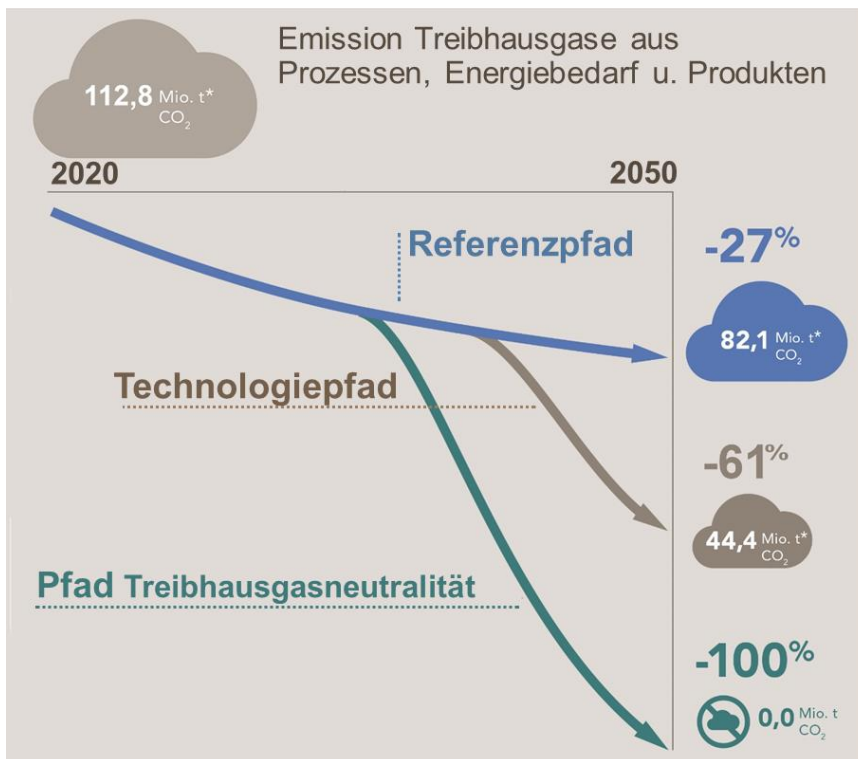
Increasing energy efficiency and Hydrogen Economy -
the contribution of the chemical industry to a
'climate-neutral economy'

„Green Hydrogen“ as a
feedstock for the chemical
industry/various industrial
sectors and sub-sectors



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Three pathways towards climate neutrality (example Germany = +/- 25% of EU chemical industry)



Referenzpfad



0 Mrd. €
zusätzliche
Investitionen



54 TWh
Strombedarf
pro Jahr

Technologiefpfad



15 Mrd. €
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224 TWh
Strombedarf
pro Jahr

Pfad Treibhausgasneutralität

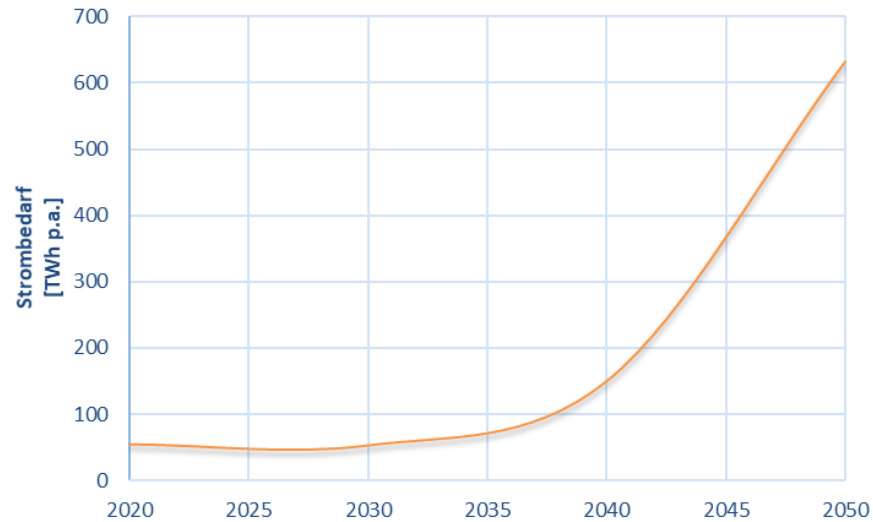


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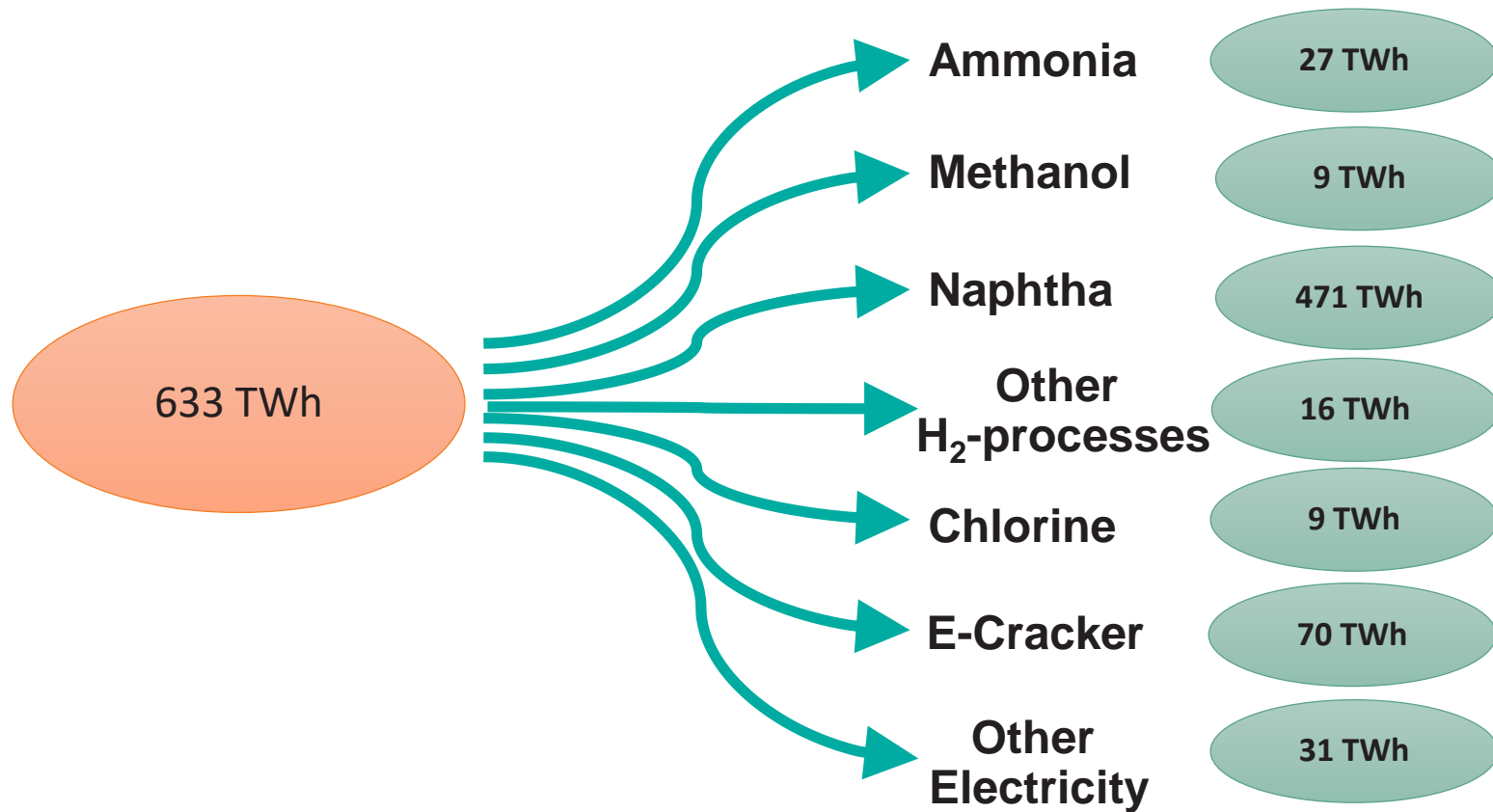
628 TWh
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Electricity-/H2 needs Climate Neutrality (Germany)

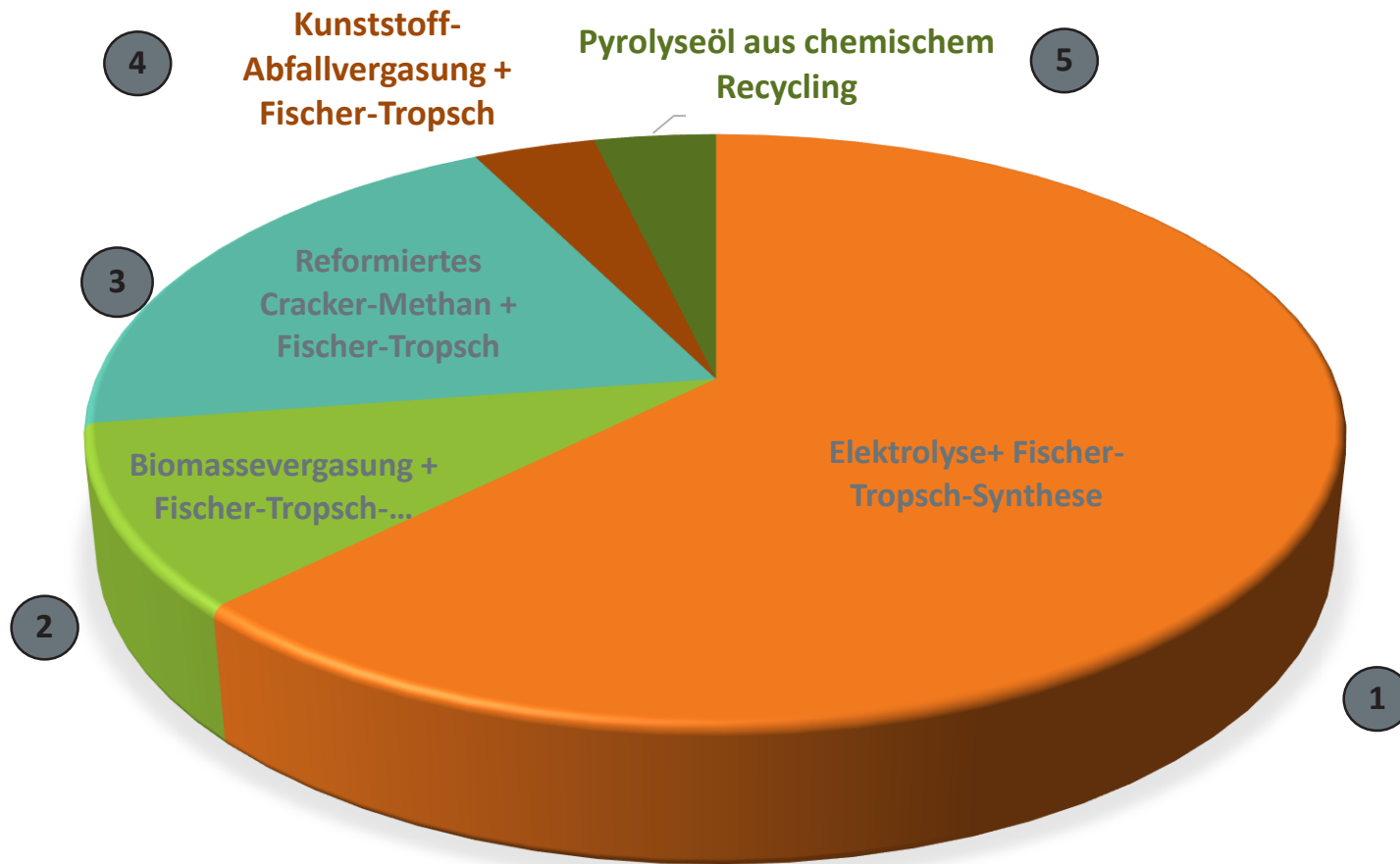


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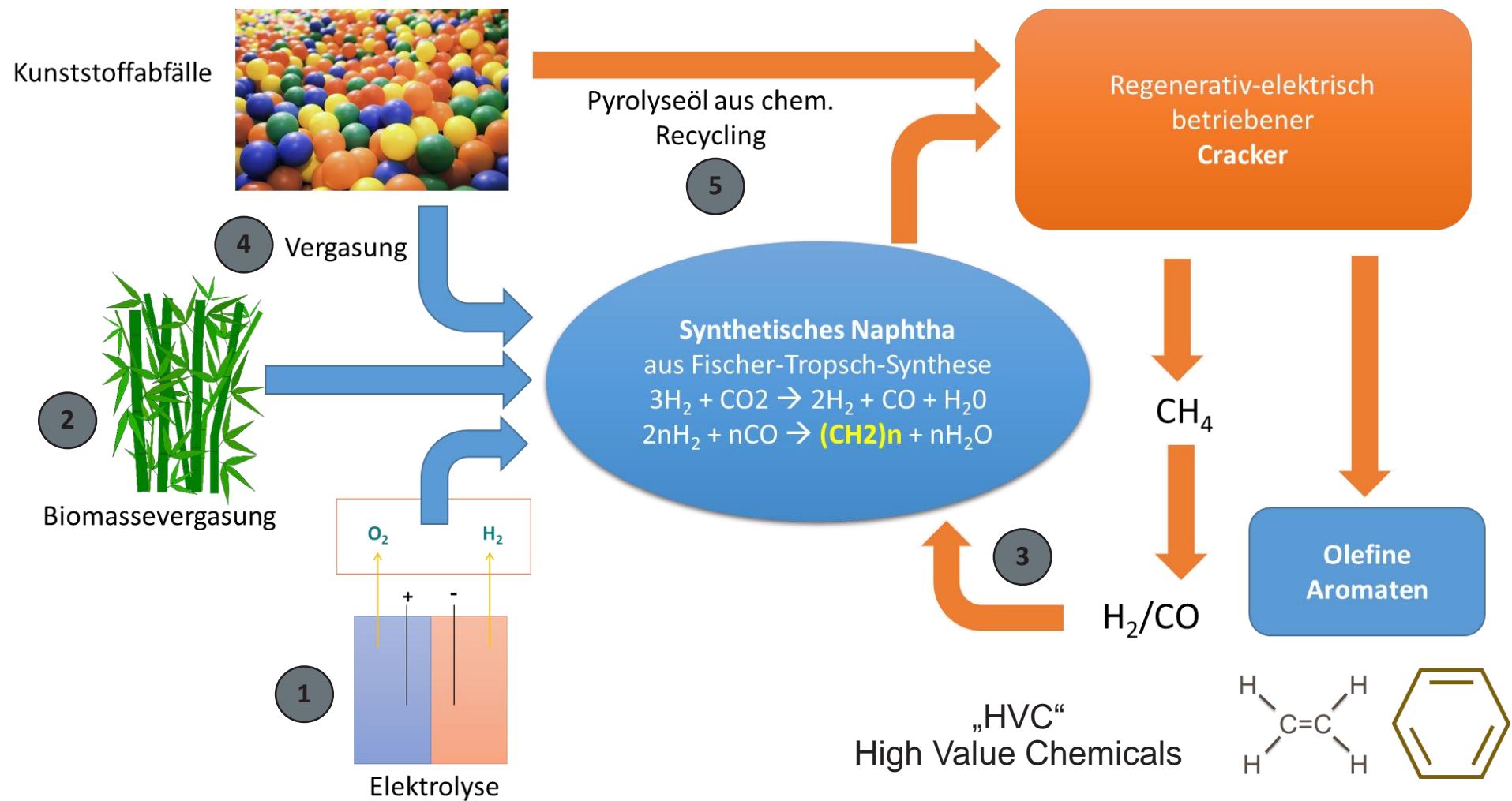
Electricity flows for Climate Neutrality (e.g. Germany)



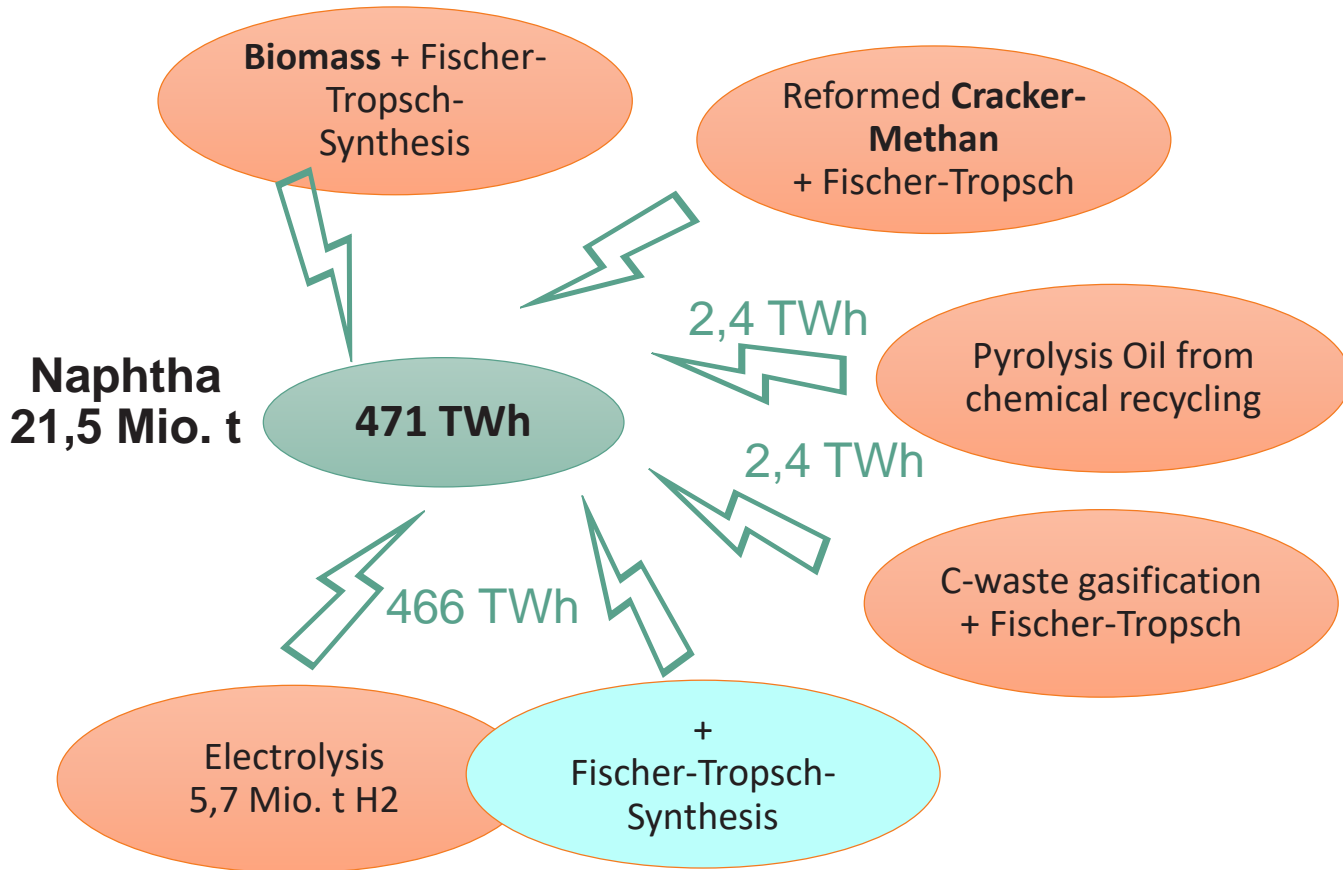
Technology mix for providing synthetic Naphtha in 2050



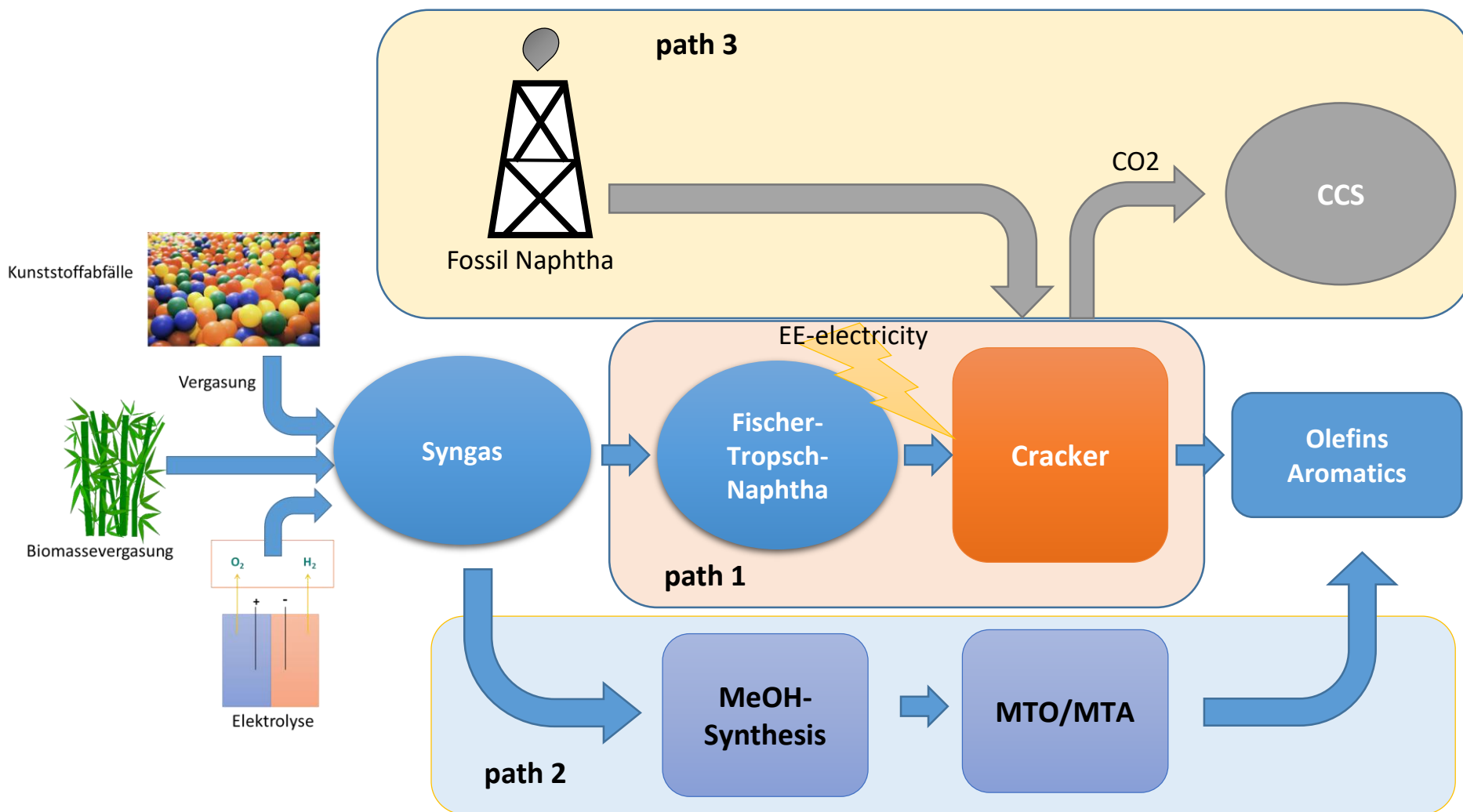
Pathways for Olefin/Aromatics production with electrified cracker



Energy flows with synthetic Naphtha in 2050



Three options towards HVC



Energy losses from non usable products



Ammonia



Produced H₂ completely in Product

Methanol



produced H₂ partly in by-product

Depending on process energy for H₂ production that does not completely transfer into desired product

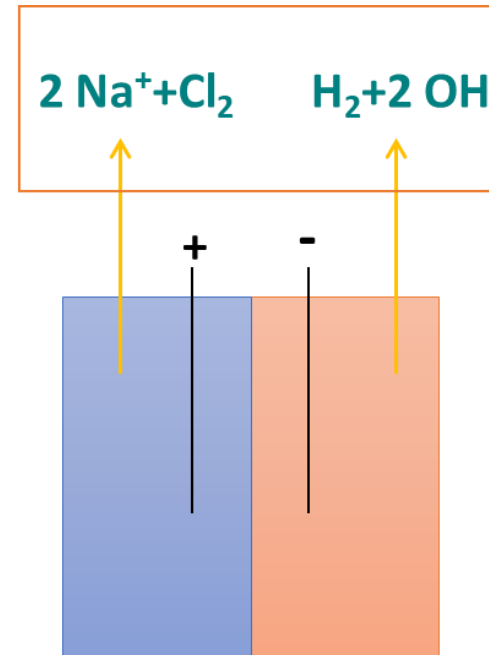
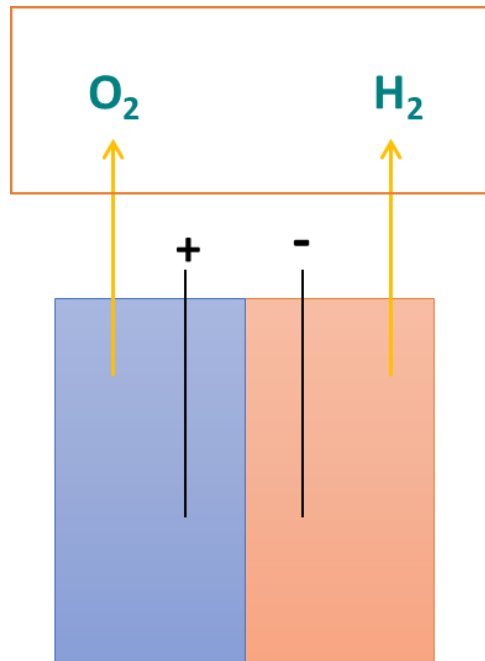
A lion share of the energy input is however being passed into desired molecule

Diversifying H₂ production?



National and EU H₂ Strategies focus on green H₂

- Transformation role for other H₂ proveniences
- H₂ electrolysis vs. Chlor-Alkali-Elektrolysis

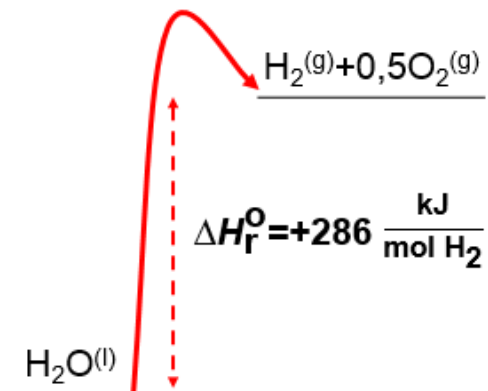


Diversifying H₂ production?

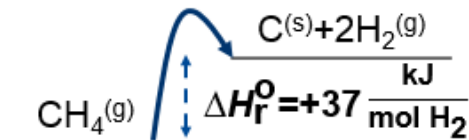


- Sustainability assessment of H₂-production according to ghg footprint
 - Methanpyrolysis (in future)
 - CCS/CCU
 - Biomethane reforming
- Possibly electricity demand reduktion

H₂ durch Wasserelektrolyse



H₂ durch Methanpyrolyse

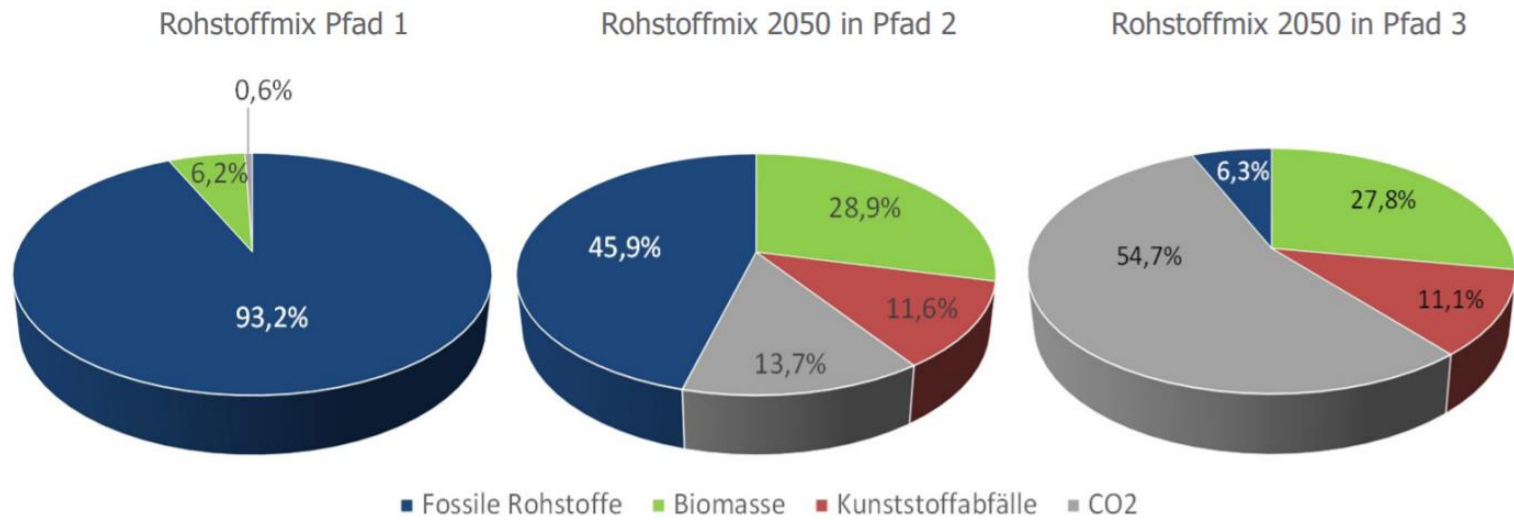


Technology mix for synthetic Naphtha in 2050

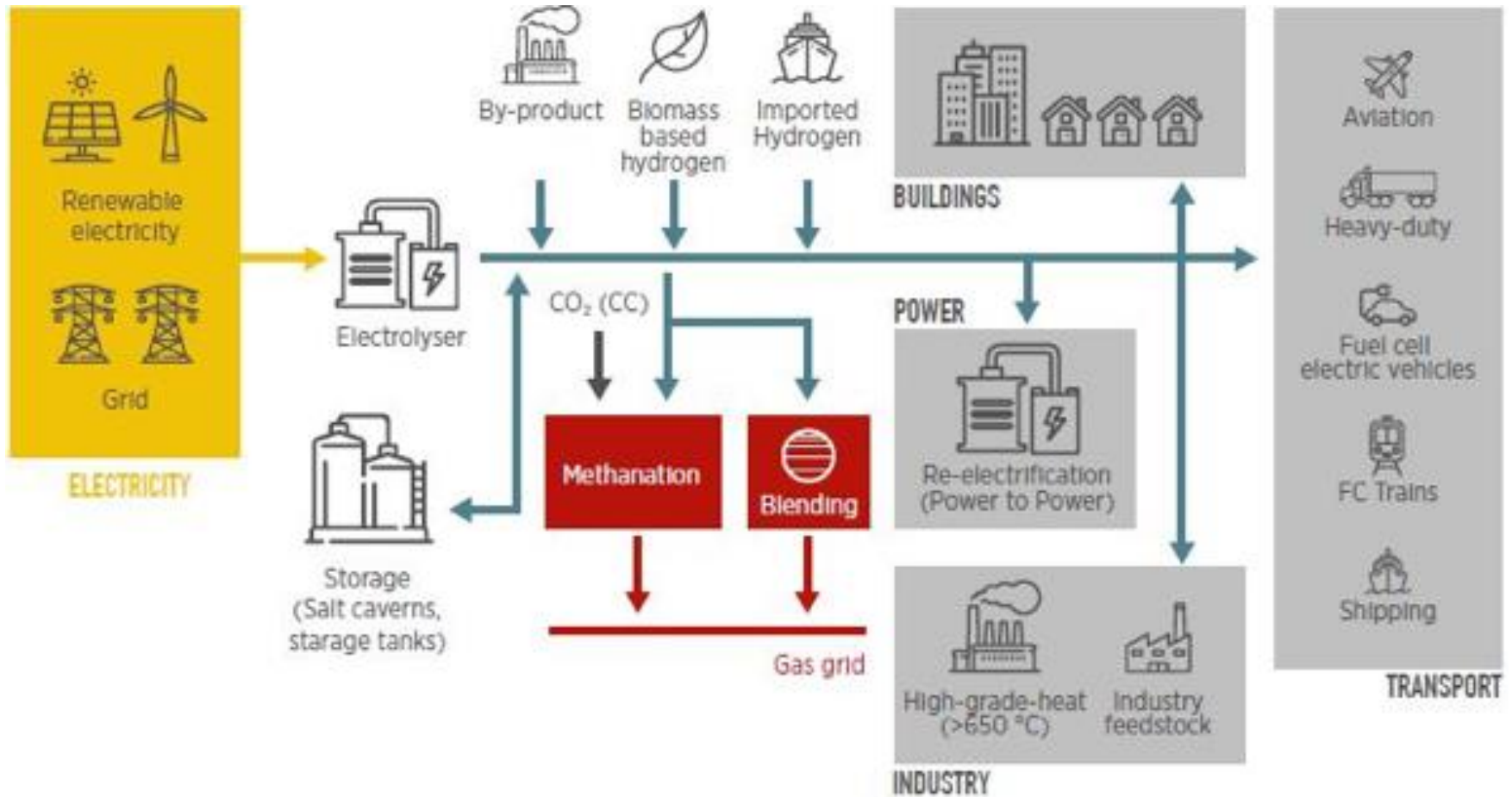


Nr.	Technology	Technology share (%)	Mass [t]
1	Elektrolysis+ Fischer-Tropsch-Synthesis	62,6%	13,46
2	Biomass gasification + Fischer-Tropsch-Synthesis	10,0%	2,15
3	Reformed Cracker-Methan + Fischer-Tropsch	20,0%	4,30
4	Plastics waste gasification + Fischer-Tropsch	3,7%	0,80
5	Pyrolysis oil from chemical recycling	3,7%	0,80
	Total	100,0%	21,50

Feedstock mix of the future



Hydrogen and sector coupling



How to decarbonise several sectors: H₂ versus other options

Electricity versus H₂



Transportation

“Electrification” of transport either direct (via battery) or via H₂ and fuel cells

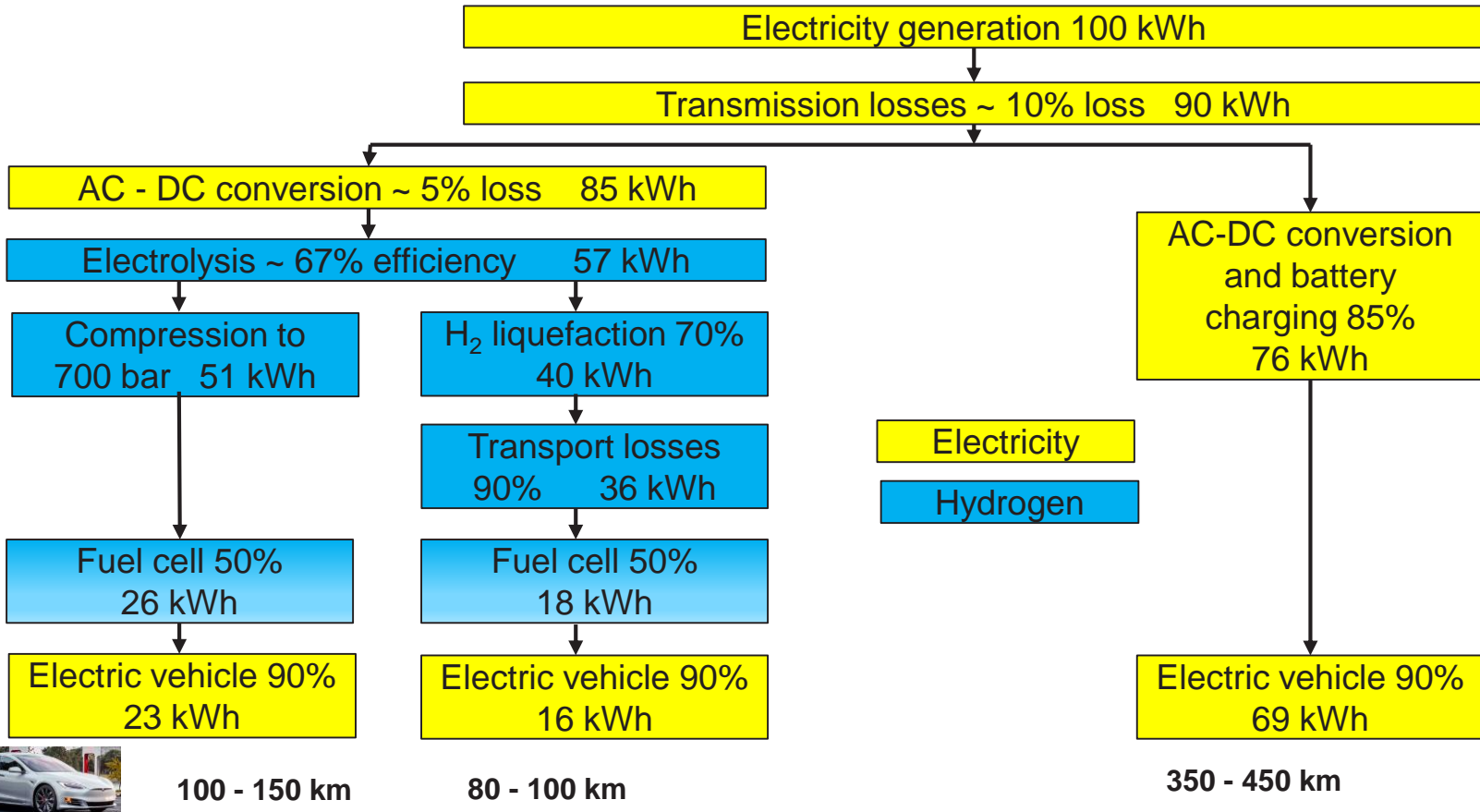
- Electrification for passenger cars via batteries seems more efficient
 - Via batteries: 3.5 - 4.5 km/kWh
 - Via H₂ and fuel cells: 0.8 - 1.5 km/kWh (H₂ via water electrolysis)

- For heavy duty, the picture is a bit different

Electricity versus H₂



Transportation: Is hydrogen efficient?



Electricity versus H₂



Transportation

➤ Passenger cars

- Europe has 286 million passenger cars and they drive on average 12000 km/year.
- If they were all electrified before 2050; they would need...
 - Via batteries 760 - 980 TWh
 - Via H₂ 34 - 38 million ton H₂ (if produced via electrolysis 2300 - 4300 TWh needed)

➤ What about other transport: trucks, busses, ships, planes?

- If they would have to operate on H₂ this would require approx. 33 - 47 million ton H₂ (if produced via electrolysis 2500 - 3600 TWh needed)

Transport with H₂ would decrease energy efficiency but if H₂ is produced from fossil with CO₂ capture it would give a relief in the demand for renewable electricity



Electricity versus H₂

Heating of houses and other buildings

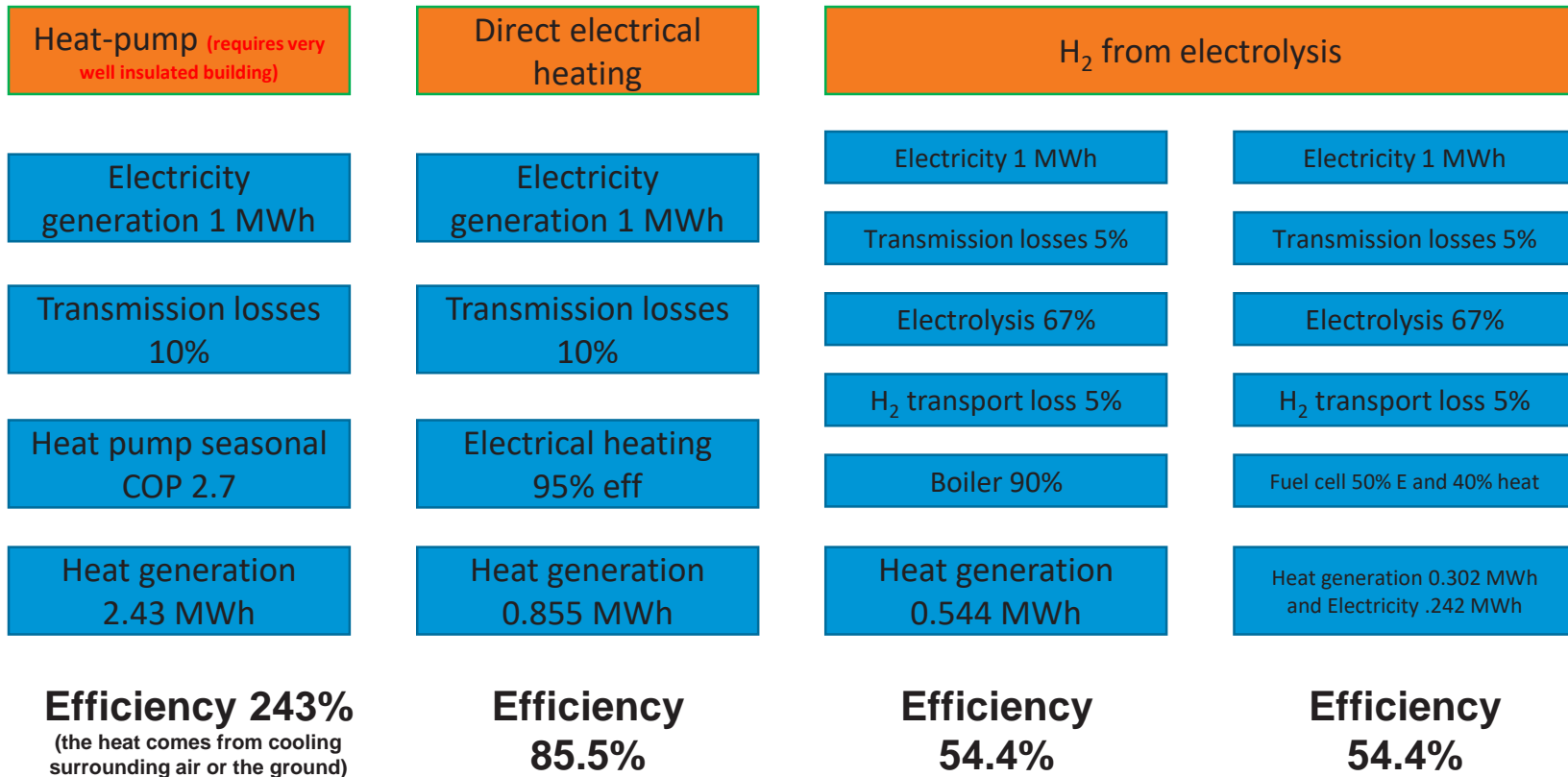
➤ Several options possible

- Using heat-pumps: might only be feasible for newer well-insulated houses
- Using direct electrical heating
- Using hydrogen, biomethane, or artificial methane (from CO₂ and H₂)
- Using hydrogen via fuel cells: benefit: producing heat and electricity
- Using “waste heat” of industry, etc.



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Heating of houses and other buildings



Electricity versus H₂



Heating of houses and other buildings

- Households and services use approx. 300643 ktoe (equals to 3500 TWh)
- Several options possible
 - Using heat-pumps, might only be feasible for newer well-insulated houses, would reduce energy consumption to 1440 TWh (as electricity)
 - Using direct electrical heating would require approx. 3500 TWh (as electricity)
 - Using hydrogen produced with electricity would require approx. 6450 TWh producing approx. 94 million ton H₂
 - Using hydrogen produced with electricity and using fuel cells would require approx. 11600 TWh on electricity to produce 178 million ton H₂ but fuel cell deliver back 2800 TWh

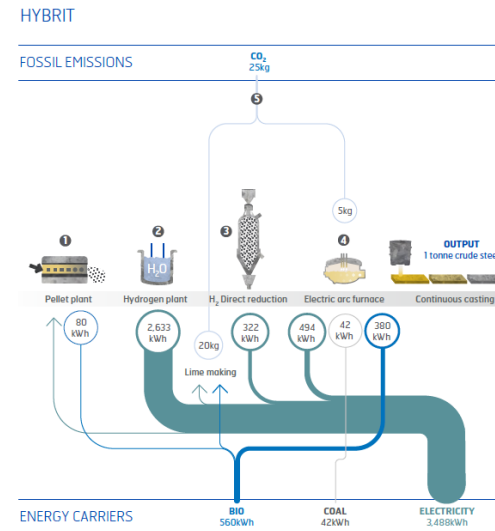
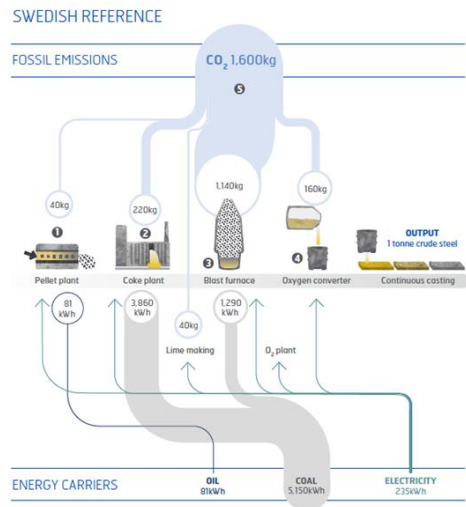
Heat Pumps would be the ideal solution, but requires extremely well insulated buildings (what is the effect of extracting heat from air and/or ground??), Direct heating via electricity is second best; H₂ (from electrolysis) to be used as fuel or being used in a fuel cell does not seem to be a realistic/efficient option.

Electricity versus H₂



Steel industry

- European steel industry produces 98 million (?) ton steel from ore
- Today this is a large CO₂ emitter



All numbers per tonne of crude steel.

Electricity versus H₂



Steel industry

- One of the options to reduce emissions is by making use of H₂ produced via electricity this requires 3.8 MWh/ton
 - Total demand on electricity 373 TWh
 - Of which 255 TWh for H₂ (4.2 million tons)

- Other options are
 - Making use of CCS
 - Direct electrolysis

Electricity versus H₂



Industry, heating requirements

- Industry uses 172003 ktoe (equals to 2000 TWh) as energy (excl. electricity)
- Energy could be replaced by hydrogen, biomethane, artificial methane, bio-mass, direct electricity heating
 - This would require 50.5 million ton H₂.
If produced via electrolysis, it would require 3300 TWh of electricity
 - Direct electrical heating would require 2000 TWh (possible at high temp?)

Direct heating via H₂ from electrolysis does not seem to be an efficient option if the H₂ is produced via electrolysis.

Electricity versus H₂



Industry, replacing feedstock

- Industry uses 97865 ktoe (4097.4 million GJ; equals to 1140 TWh) as feedstock
- To maintain or to replace by alternatives via H₂ + CO₂ ?
- Some examples:
 - Production of methanol approx. 1.5 million ton/year
 - Today based on mainly methane; requires 37.5 million GJ (0.9% of feedstock demand)
 - Alternative production out of CO₂ and H₂; requires 0.281 million ton H₂ this requires approx. 18 TWh on electricity (= 65813 TJ = 65.8 million GJ); **1.8 times the energy amount** compared to starting from methane as feedstock
 - Production of NH₃ approx. 17 million ton/year
 - Traditional steam reforming of methane to produce H₂ and that reacts with N₂ to NH₃; feedstock requirement 21 GJ/ton NH₃; Yearly feedstock demand 357 million GJ (8.7% of feedstock demand)
 - Alternative H₂ from N₂ and H₂: requires 3 million ton H₂/year or 195 TWh of electricity (702 million GJ); approx. **2 times more feedstock energy**

Electricity versus H₂



Industry, replacing feedstock

- Production of ethylene and propylene; ethylene 22 million/year and propylene 17 million ton/year.
 - Today mainly by cracking of naphtha delivers a range of products (propylene, ethylene, benzene, toluene, xylene, and gas (used to heat the process)).
 - Ethylene/propylene is approx. 35-45% of the output
 - So for 22 million ton ethylene and 17 million ton propylene approx. 86 -111 million ton of naphtha is required, delivering besides the ethylene/propylene approx. 30% other valuable products. Approx. 30% is used as energy.
 - Based on the HHV of naphtha the total energy input is approx. 4700 million GJ
 - Alternative production from methanol (produced from H₂ and CO₂); each ton of propylene or ethylene requires 2.28 ton of methanol, or 0.429 ton of H₂ or 25.75 MWh. On top of that there is some energy required for the process. According Dechema the average energy demand for this process is 95.6 GJ/ton so for 67 million ton of HVC the total energy demand 6405 million GJ or **1.4 times more**

Product	Low severity	High severity
	(1000 K, residence time 0.5 s)	(1150 K, residence time 0.1 s)
Hydrogen	1	1
Methane	15	18
Ethene	19	32
Propene	16	13
C ₄ hydrocarbons	10	9
RPG	36	18
Others	3	9

Table 2 Product yields/% by mass from the steam cracking of naphtha.

<https://www.essentialchemicalindustry.org/processes/cracking-isomerisation-and-reforming.html>

Electricity versus H₂



Industry, replacing feedstock

- Replacing feedstock via all kinds of new chemical routes would require approx. 2000 TWh.
- This is mainly based on routes via CO₂ and H₂
 - Approx. 30 million ton H₂

Summary



H₂ plays a major role in the chemical industry:

- Biggest industrial user
- Climate-neutral chemical production technologically possible by 2050

H₂ plays a key role:

- Enables CO₂ to become a raw material (c- provider)
- Can be used energetically (e.g. in high temperature processes) or as feedstock in other sectors

Challenges:

- Long-term high electricity needs (for electrolysis)
- Energy efficiency losses
- Requires enabling framework and breakthroughs for economic feasibility

Political perspectives



Technology openness for sustainable H2 provision at least during transition period

Improvement of framework conditions for cost-efficient deployment of renewable energy sources

- H2 depends on low-cost electricity (e.g. max. 4 Cent/KWh)

Early development of energy partnerships with other countries whilst maintaining national value chains

Building H2 grid infrastructures

Public acceptance of costs and infrastructures

Supporting introduction of new climate-neutral technologies