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60% solar, 20% wind and 20% all others (hydro, bioenergy, nuclear, fossil et al.) to power the future global energy needs

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- Since 1979 active in photovoltaic and CEO of production companies (RWE Solar and RWE SCHOTT Solar GmbH: PV wafer, cells and modules, Applied Materials GmbH: Production equipment for deposition), president of associations (EPIA, today SolarPower Europe, BSW Solar), member/chairman of supervisory board (SMA Solar Technology AG/ Solar-Fabrik AG) and many institutes (FhG-ISE, ISFH, HZB, DLR, ZSW)

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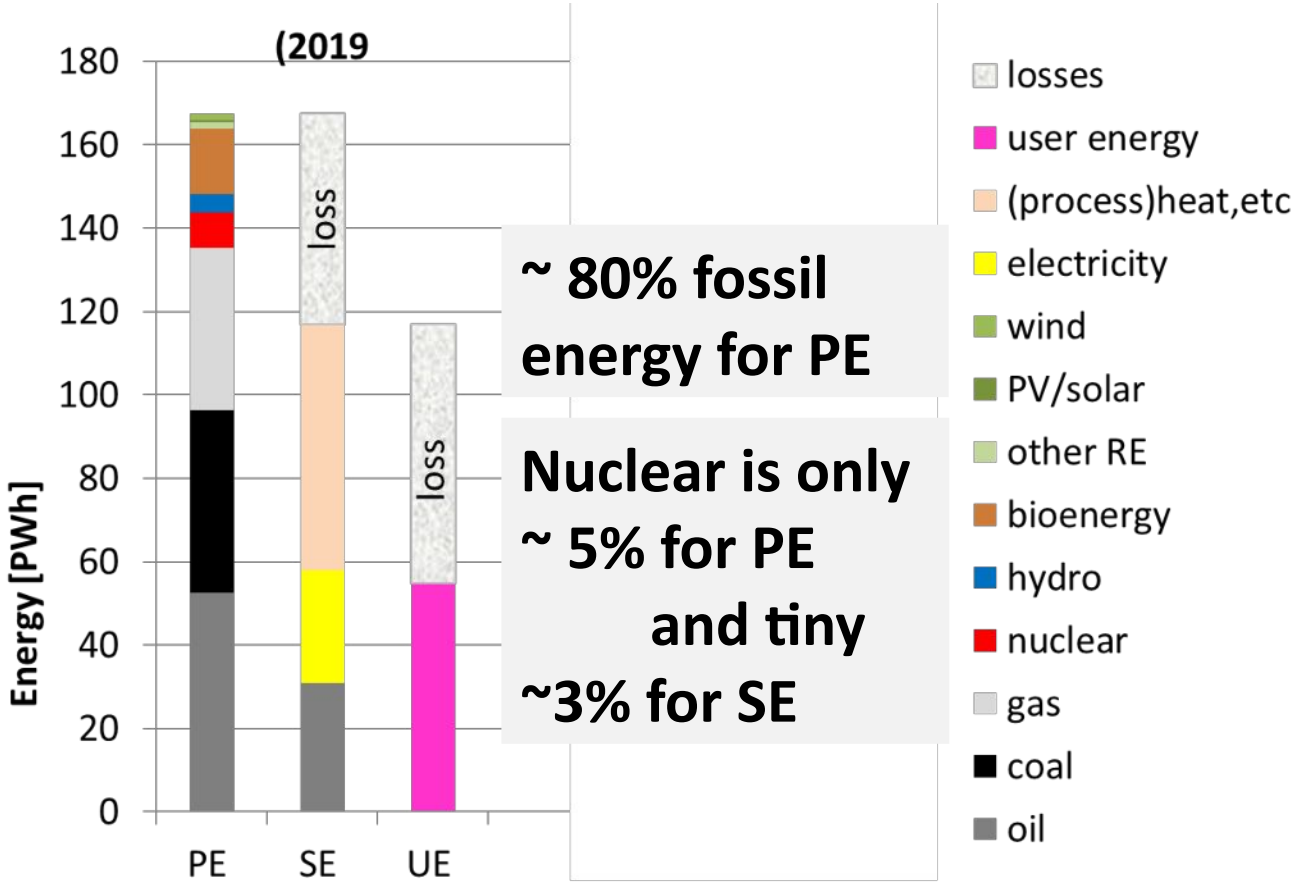
❖ lectures/Seminars at universities in Konstanz and Freiburg

Content

Today‘s energy situation (2019)



~ 80% fossil energy for PE

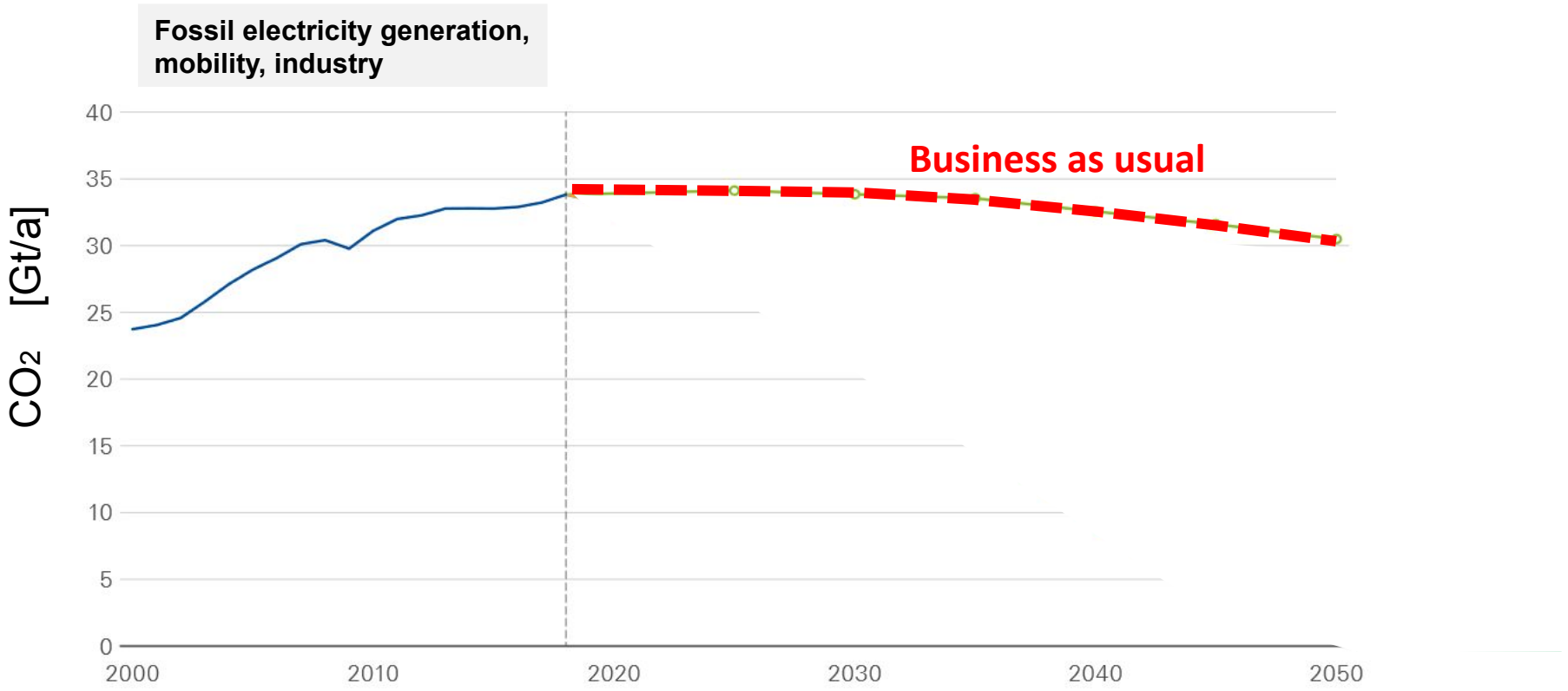
Nuclear is only ~ 5% for PE and tiny ~3% for SE

1 PWh = 10^^15 Wh

PE = Primary Energy
SE = Secondary Energy
UE = (end) User Energy

Source: 2019 data IEA WEO (2020)

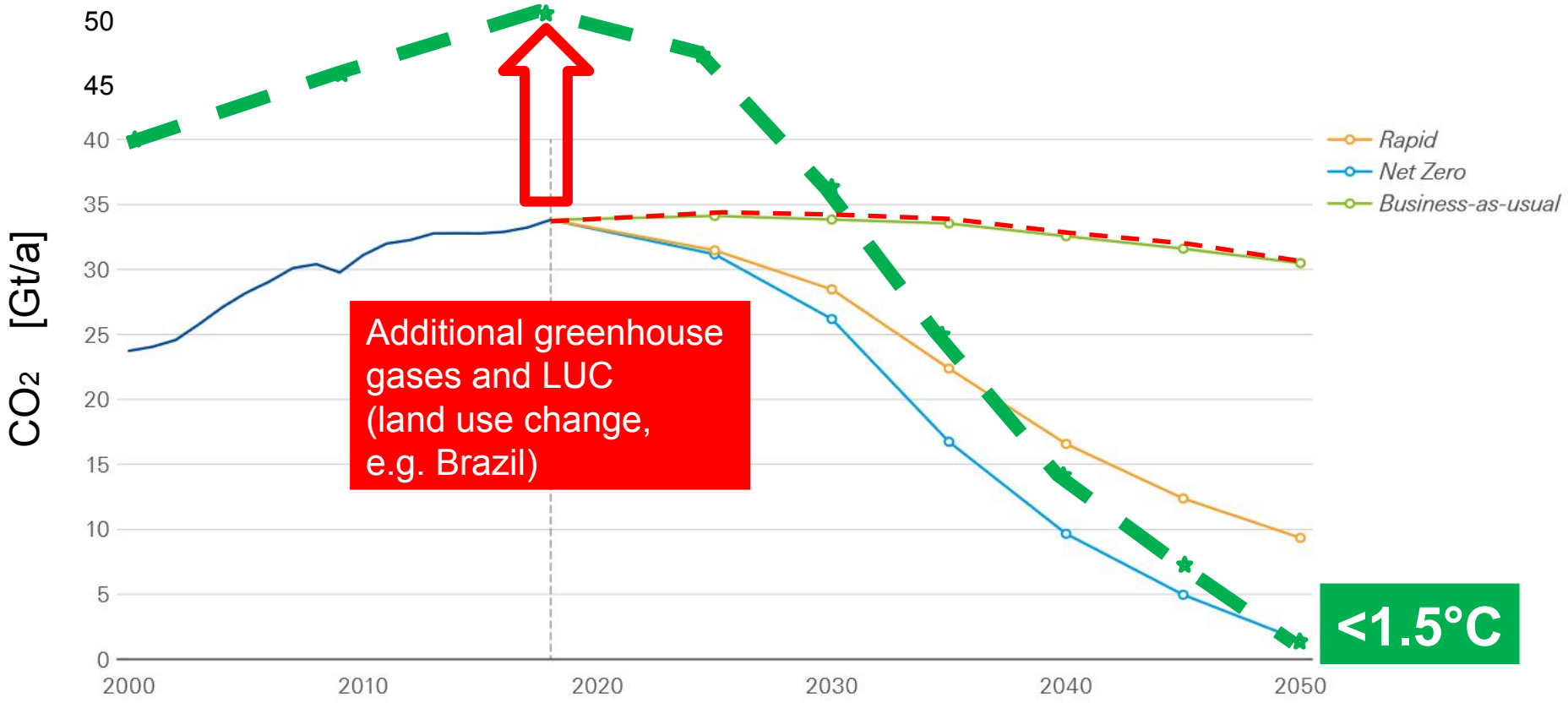
Business as usual scenario for the CO_2 - development



Source: BP energy outlook, 2020;

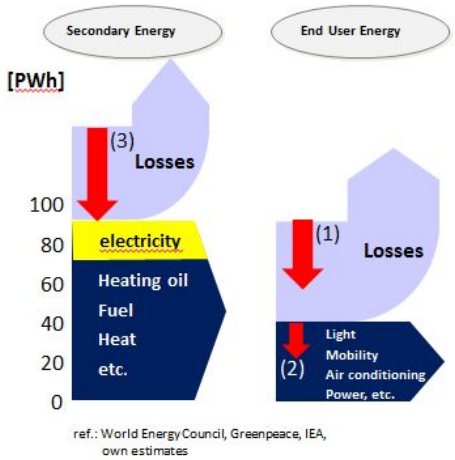
The consequences of business as usual … > +4°C!

Scenario for the necessary Net Zero - CO_2 - development



Source: BP energy outlook, 2020; green dotted line by Winfried Hoffmann

How much energy will be needed globally? (1) Energy efficiency!



ref.: World Energy Council, Greenpeace, IEA, own estimates

(1) and (2):
Improvement of energy efficiency by a factor 3 until 2050
(3):
Losses by converting PE to SE are not counted if renewables are used (PE = SE)

@ the same luminous flux:

LED

100 W electricity
(= secondary energy)

* 0,13 (efficiency) =

13 W user energy
loss 87 W as heat

→ **factor 7**

14 W electricity

* 0,9 (efficiency) =

13 W user energy
loss 1 W as heat

The good old **filament lamp**

today

5 l/**100km** * 9 kWh/l =

45 kWh secundary energy petrol/diesel
* 0,27 (efficiency) =
12 kWh user-energy
33 kWh waste heat

Crude oil to petrol with 90% efficiency → **50 kWh PE**

→ **factor 3**

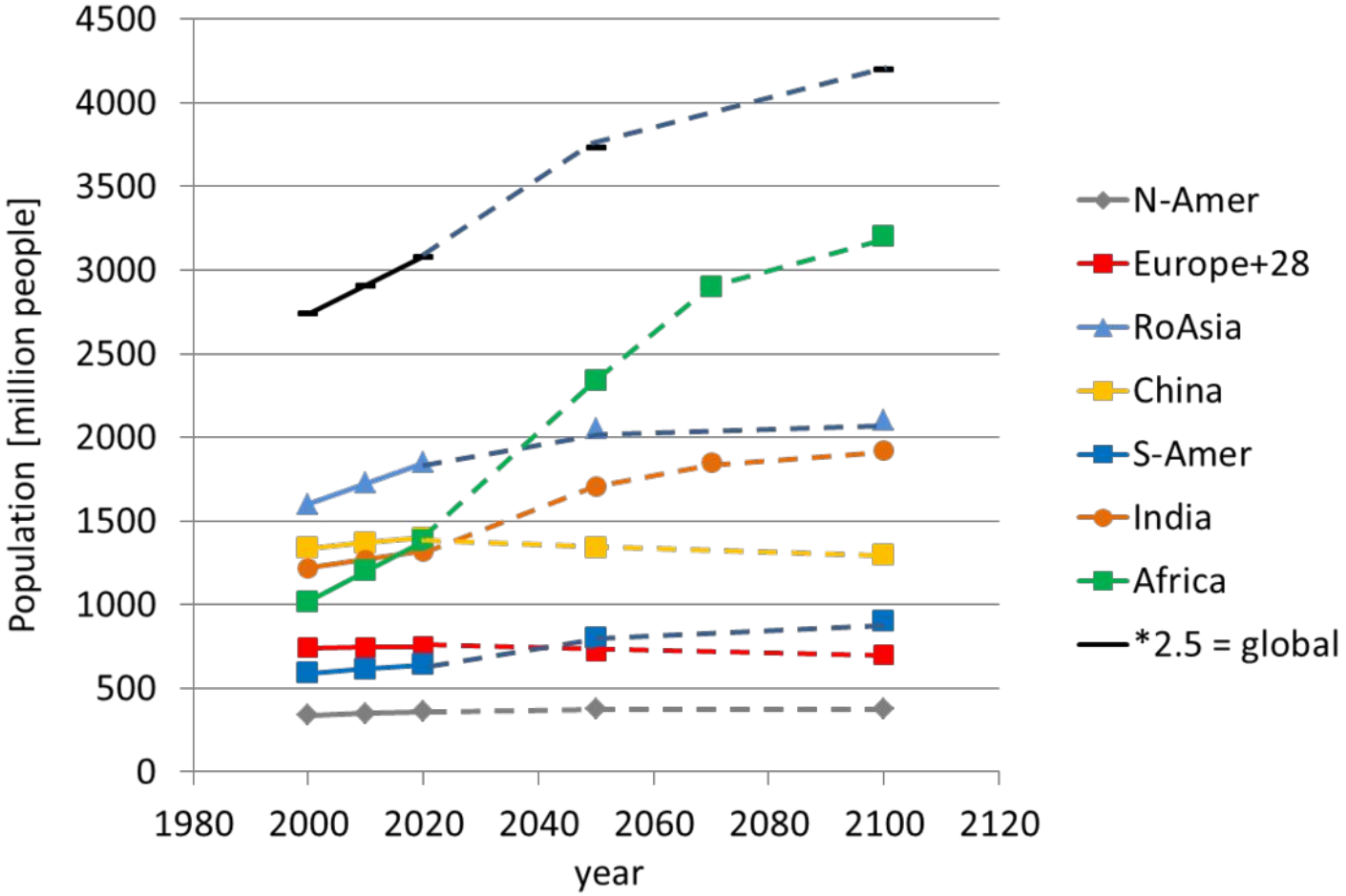
But: if electricity originates from fossil power → factor 1,3 only

100 km * 15 kWh/100km =

15 kWh secundary energy electricity
* 0,8 (effciency) =
12 kWh user energy
3 kWh waste heat

Power station with 40% efficiency → **37,5 kWh PE**

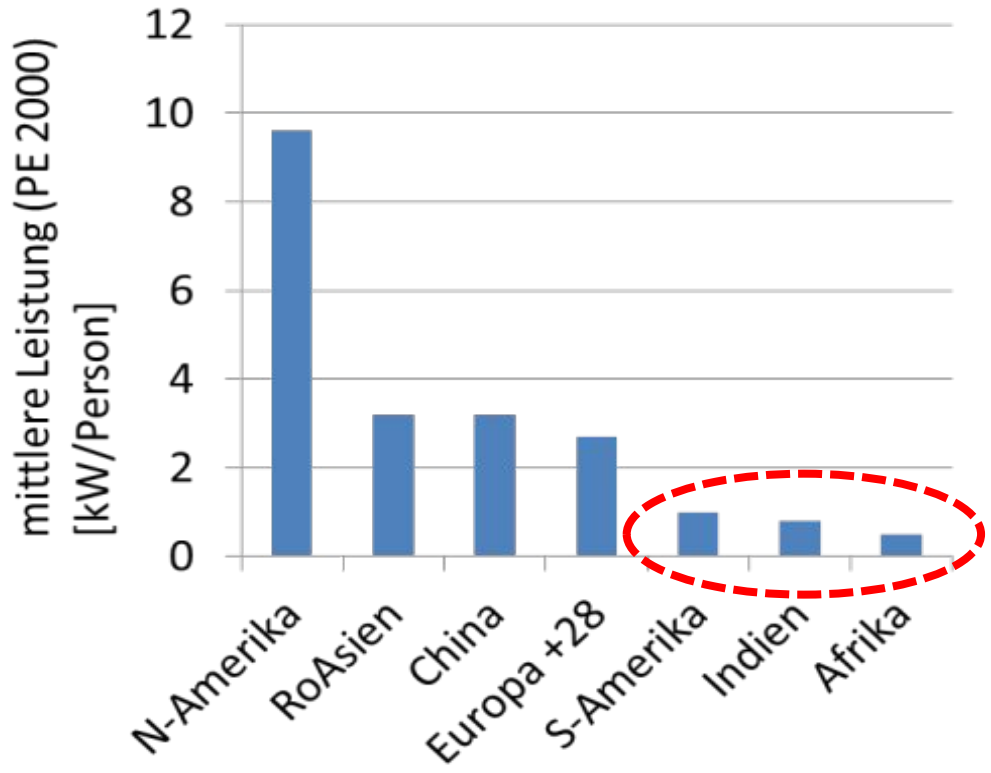
How much energy will be needed globally? (2) how many people?



Source: UN reports, own research

Global energy justice … ?

Inequity in global energy distribution



Consequences are increasing migration:

- Emigrants from Africa living 2020
  # in Europe ~11m
  # in middle East ~ 5m
  # in US ~ 3m
  World bank expects 86m until 2050 (…+67m in 25a!)

- Emigrants from South-America, living 2018
  in US ~22.4m
  Only in 2021 >2 m emigated to the US

How much energy will be needed globally? (3) Energy justice!

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2019: ~120 PWh secondary energy (SE)

¼ of mankind (~2 billion) consume ¾ of this SE (=90 PWh)

→ 45 PWh/1 billion with our comfortable living standard

2050: **Energy efficiency increase by factor 3**

→ 15 PWh/1 billion our living standard

<~10 billion people (UN) will need 150 PWh –

ALL the same energy/capita with our living standard!

→ energy justice!

2100: <~12 billion people would need 180 PWh

Resourcing of energy in 2019

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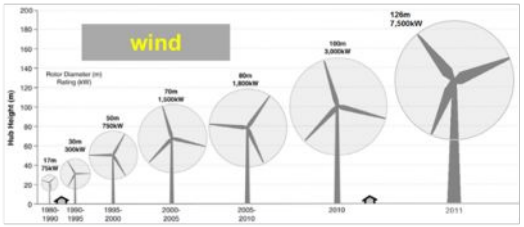
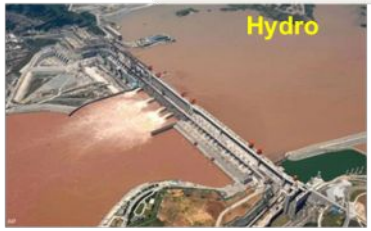
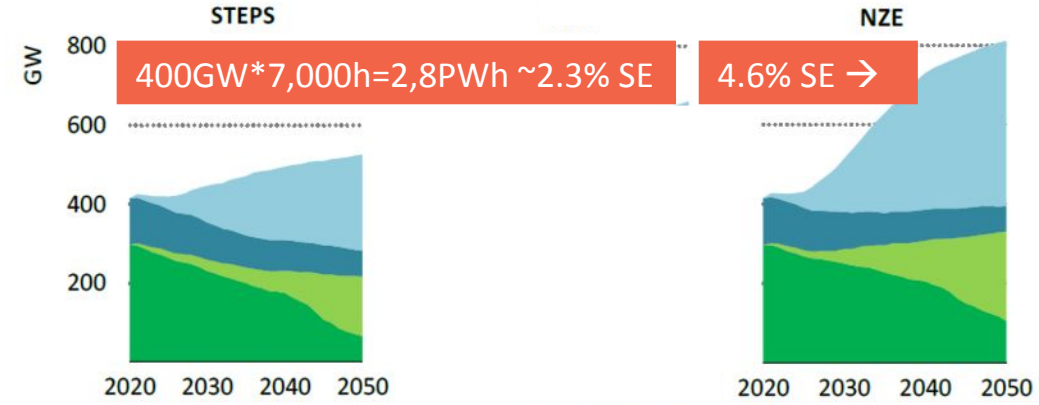




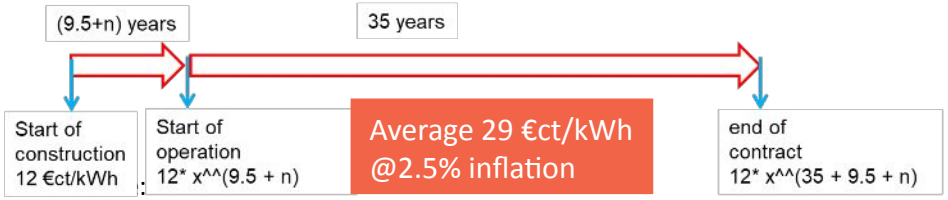
Future of nuclear power stations

IEA-WEO 2021 **Nuclear power capacity by scenario, 2020-2050**



New nuclear „Hinkley point C1 and C2 **Power Purchase Agreement**

- Two Areva EPR 1600 MW reactors (planned investment 26.5 bn **€** **(8.3 €/W))**
- EdF would only build these reactors if GB did accept a guaranteed price with the following conditions:
- 92.5 £/MWh (=~ 12 €ct/kWh)
- Duration **35 years** after start of operation
- Adjustment according to **inflation**, starting with the basis year **2012**
- Expected **completion 9.5 years** after start of work



- Even with very optimistic growth assumptions the contribution of nuclear fission is negligible (<5%)
- The ultimate waste disposal is not solved globally, even with SMR‘s (small nuclear reactors)
- The price for electricity from new built reactors is very high
- Security is still a hot topic due to „unexpected and unforeseen events“ e.g. Fukushima, Ukraine
- Small modular reactors have typically higher cost compared to large ones

Future of fossil power stations
- additional CO_2 cost to fuel cost and power station -

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Version 1: CSUS (Carbon Sequestration , Utilization and Storage)

- If this technology should work at all – final storage for ever – the experience from European utilities are disillusioning : way too expensive **(>10 €ct/kWh)**
- A company in Iceland (www.carbfix.com) has developed an interesting solution(*) : CO_2 dissolved in water and pressed into basalt (or other reactive rocks) forms in less than 2 years stable carbonate minerals. **>70€/t CO_2 → >6.3€ct/kWh (... + transport cost!)**

Version 2: CO_2 tax per ton

In 2004 the European emission trade was introduced. It started with ~10 €/t and – after erratic ups and downs continued to decrease until 2018 towards ~5 €/t. Since then it increased to ~40 €/t until today. GB defined already in 2015 a price of 30 €/t. In order to reach the Paris climate goal, we would need prices starting in **2020 with ~50 €/t** and from**2030 ~100 €/t**! **→ 4,5 and 9 €ct/kWh only for CO_2 tax (@50 and 100€/t) ... and CO_2 still escapes to the atmosphere!**

Version 3: unabated CO_2

due to global warming this version should be forbidden globally as soon as possible!

Source: Winfried Hoffmann, 10/2017, eigene Recherchen; (*)Handelsblatt, No 85, p 28 (04.05.2021)

Cost comparison fossil, nuclear fission and renewables (PV and wind)

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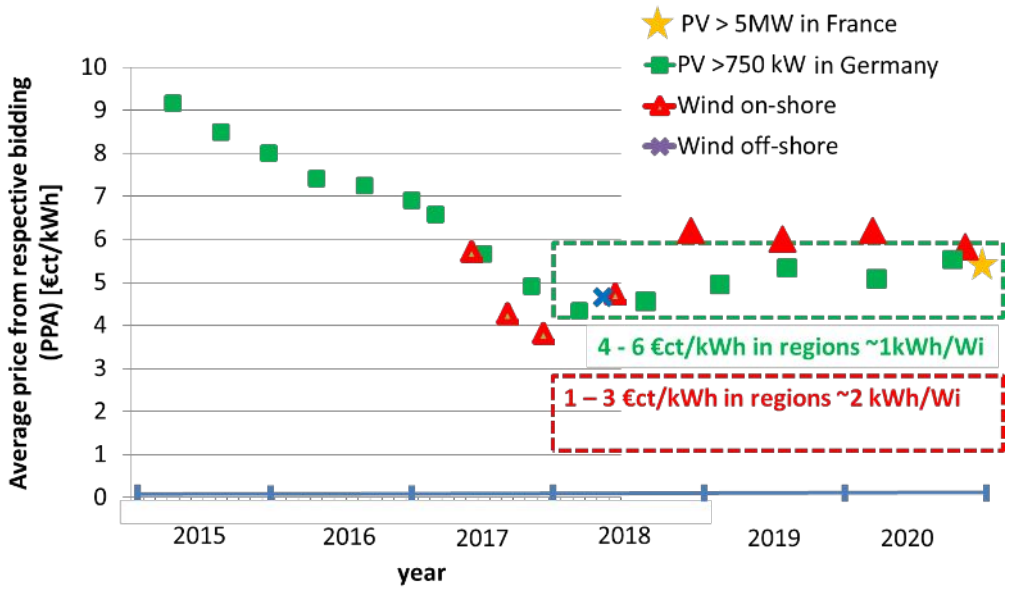
Development of PPA's for wind and PV plants



PPA (Power Purchase Agreement)
PV and wind (on-/off-shore) in Ger
4 – 6 €ct/kWh

PV in southern regions (2kWh/Wi)
1 – 3 €ct/kWh

PPA (Power Purchase Agreement)
New nuclear fission
20 – 35 €ct/kWh depending on inflation rate

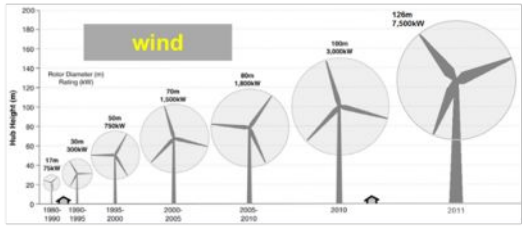
Fossil power stations
CO_2 tax (6 – 9) €ct/kWh (or CCUS >10 €ct/kWh) plus
fuel cost and power station ~5+/- €ct/kWh → total (11 – 15+)€ct/kWh

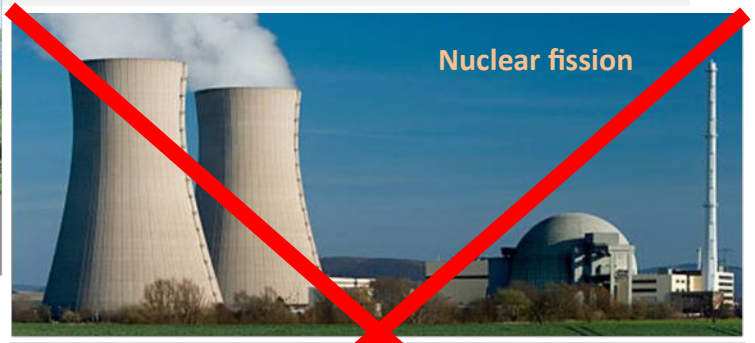
Source:

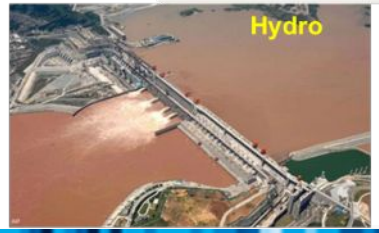
Resourcing of energy

2019: 160 PWh Primary Energy (~80% fossil, ~5% nuclear) → 120 PWh SE

2050: 90% green electricity (inclusive P2G&L), because all important renewable
→ technologies produce electricity (PV, wind, hydro, geothermal, tidal etc.);
2100: to match demand and supply: batteries for small daily storage, redox flow for big daily and weekly storage, gas network (H_2 and/or CH_4) for dark doldrums







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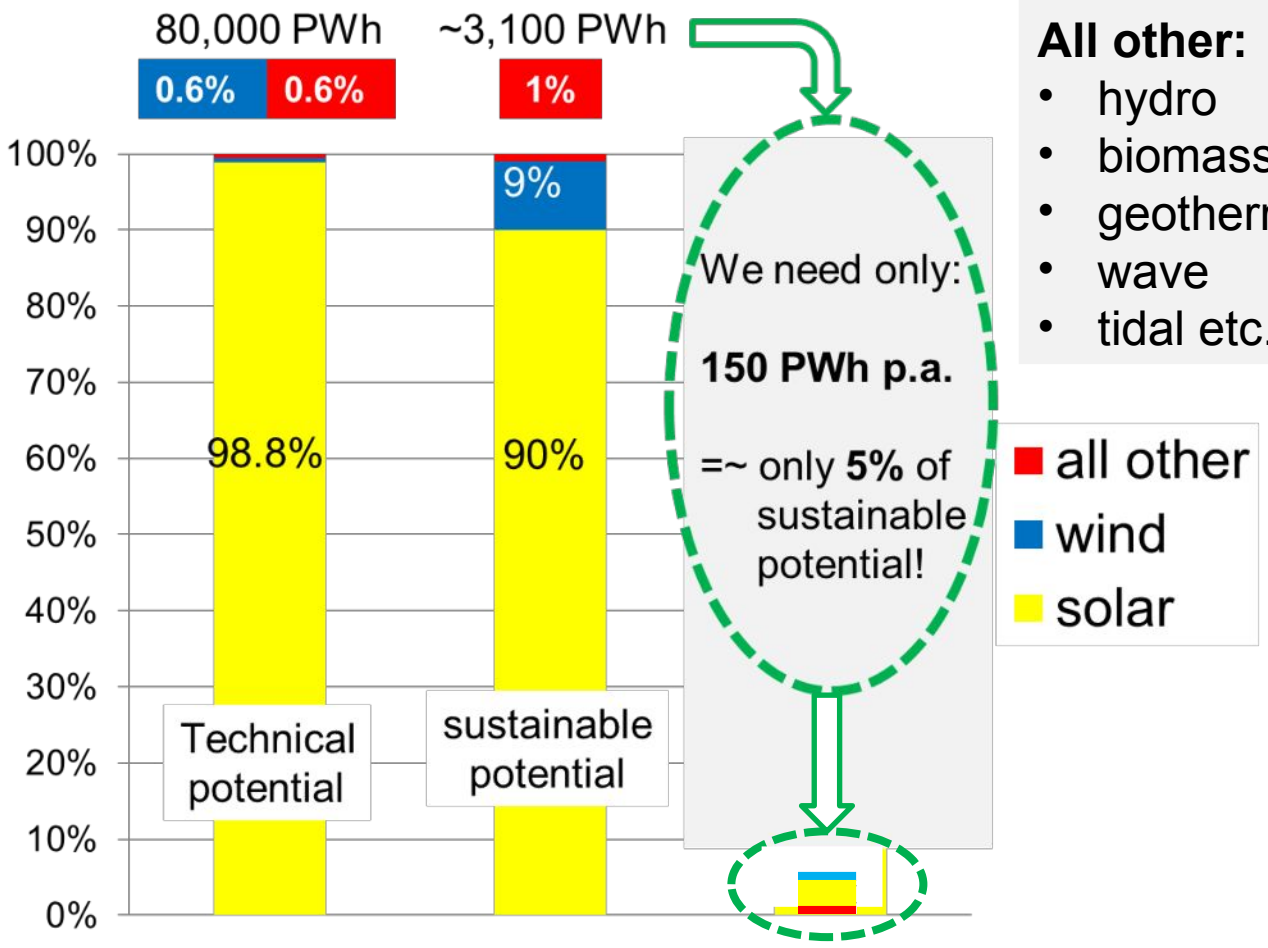

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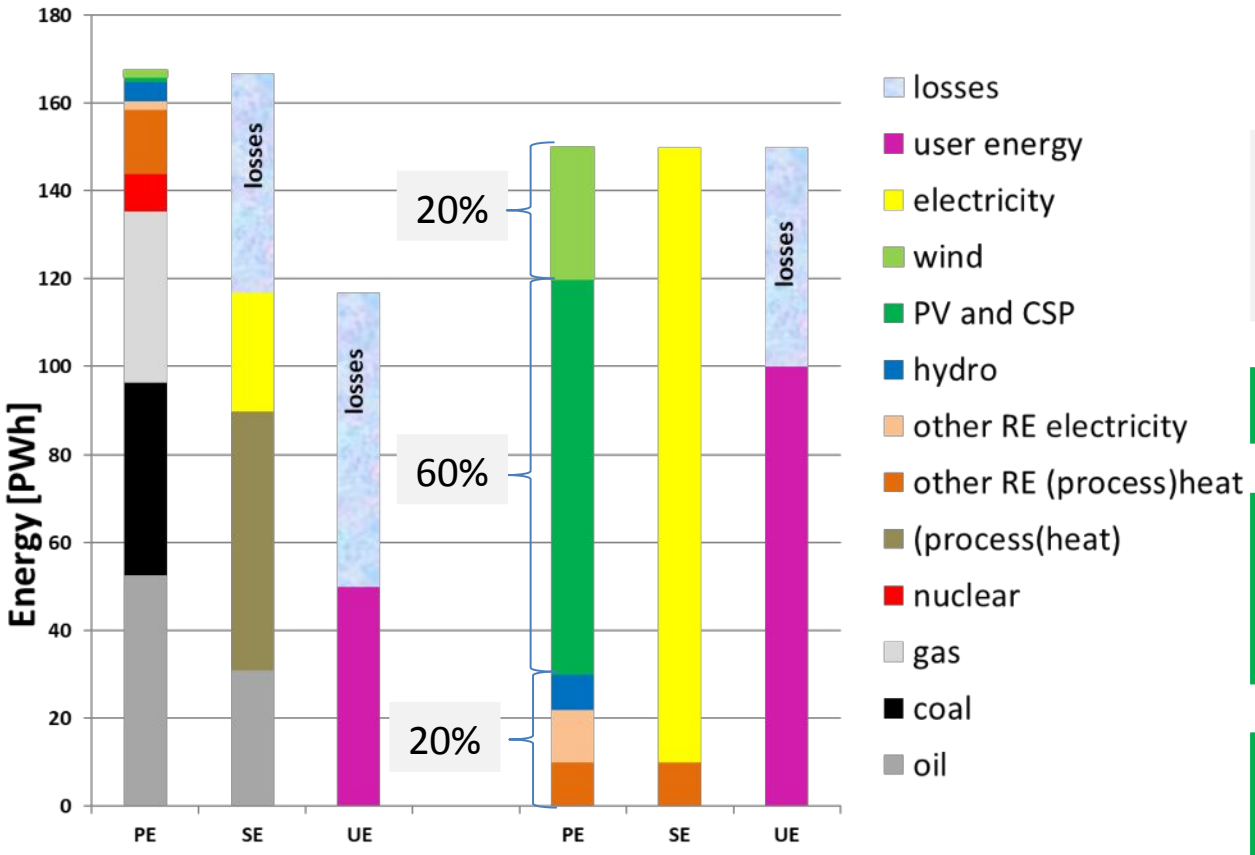
today (~2019) → future (~2050+)



electricity in 2050 includes P2G(&X)

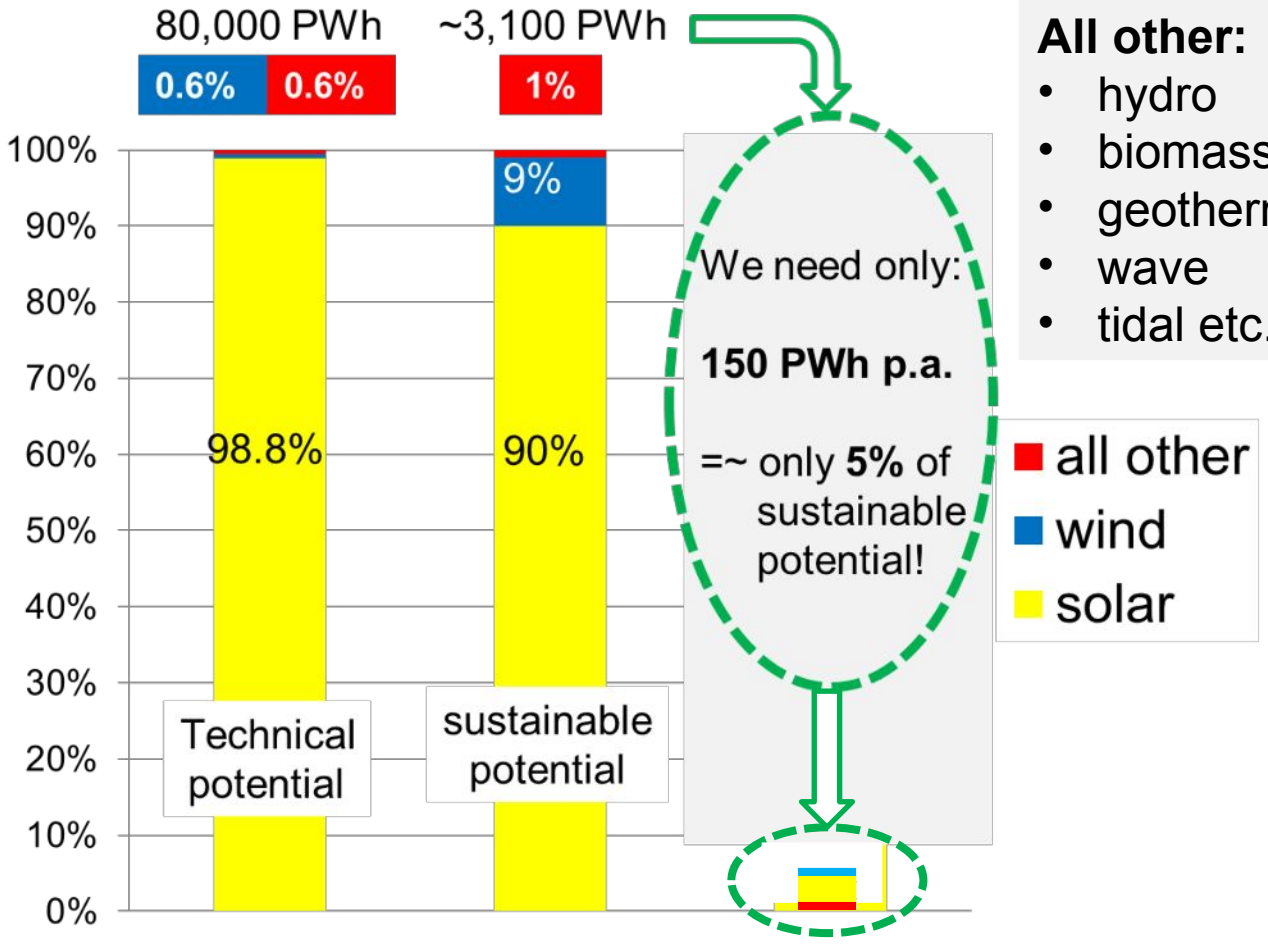
Zero Carbon

Equal energy for all 10 billion people

Efficiency & only RE

Source: 2019 data IEA WEO (2020), 2050 data Winfried Hoffmann (2021)

Technical and sustainable potential for renewable technologies (2)



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Wind energy – why more than 9% share?

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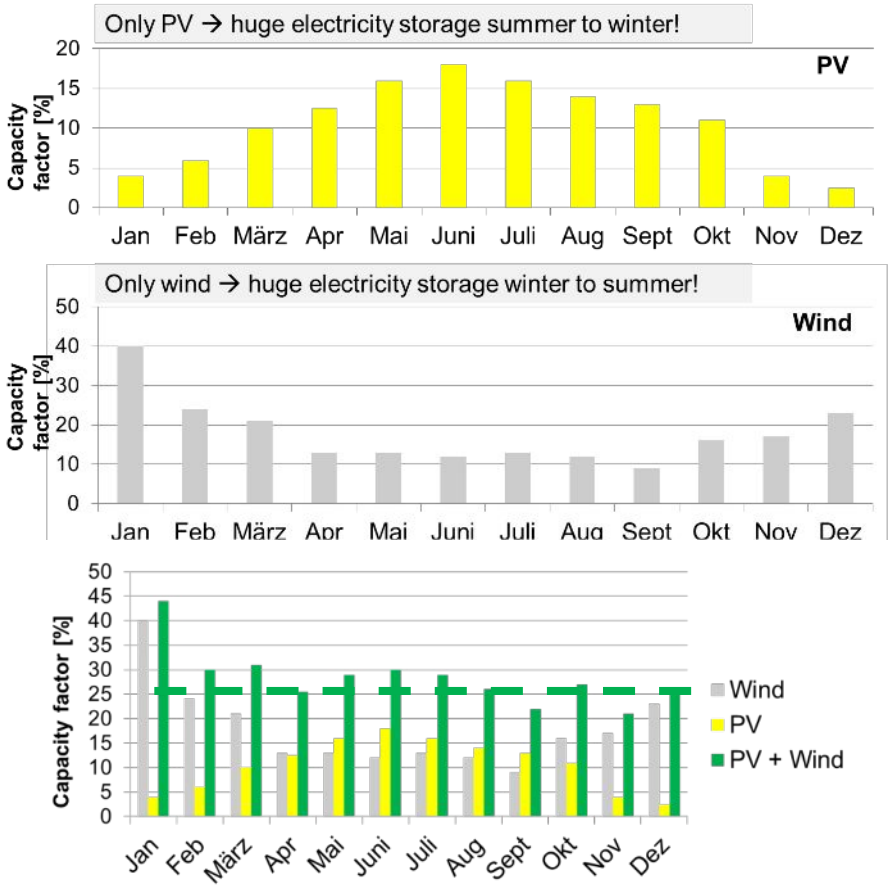
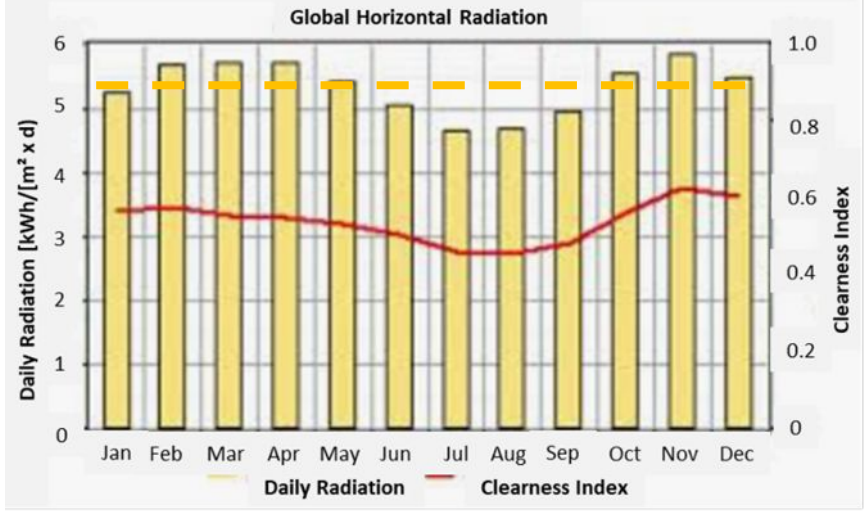
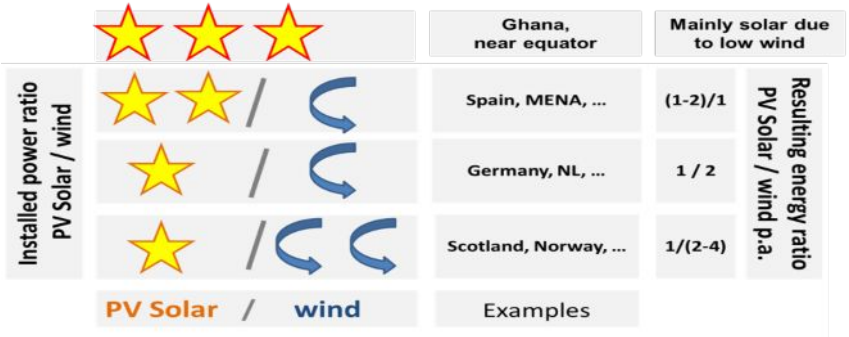
Solar and wind energy per month in Germany



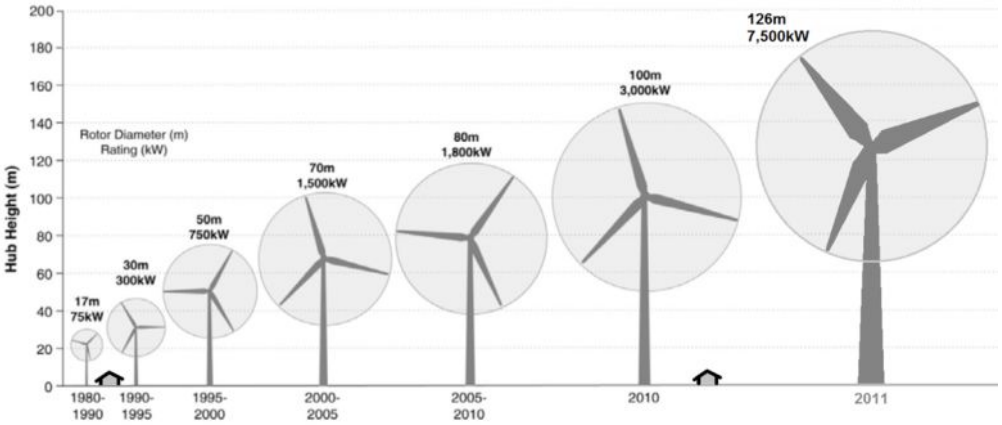
Solar energy per month in Ghana

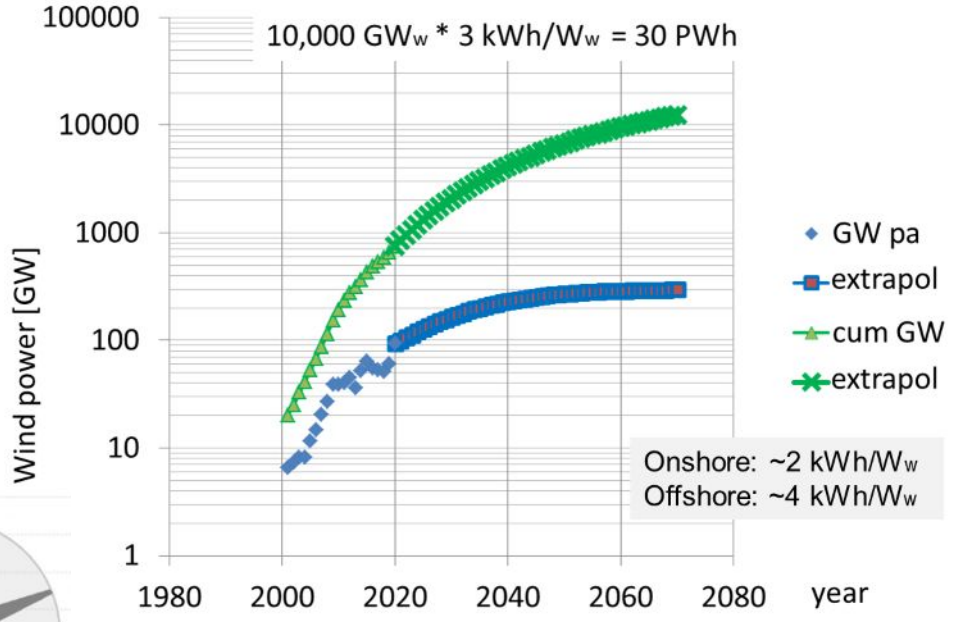




Wind energy – historical development and needed installations

$$P_{wind} \sim d_{blade}^{2} \times v_{wind}^{3}$$





Source: Data until 2020 from GWEC, Global Wind Report 2021; extrapolation logistic annual growth by Winfried Hoffmann (06/2021)

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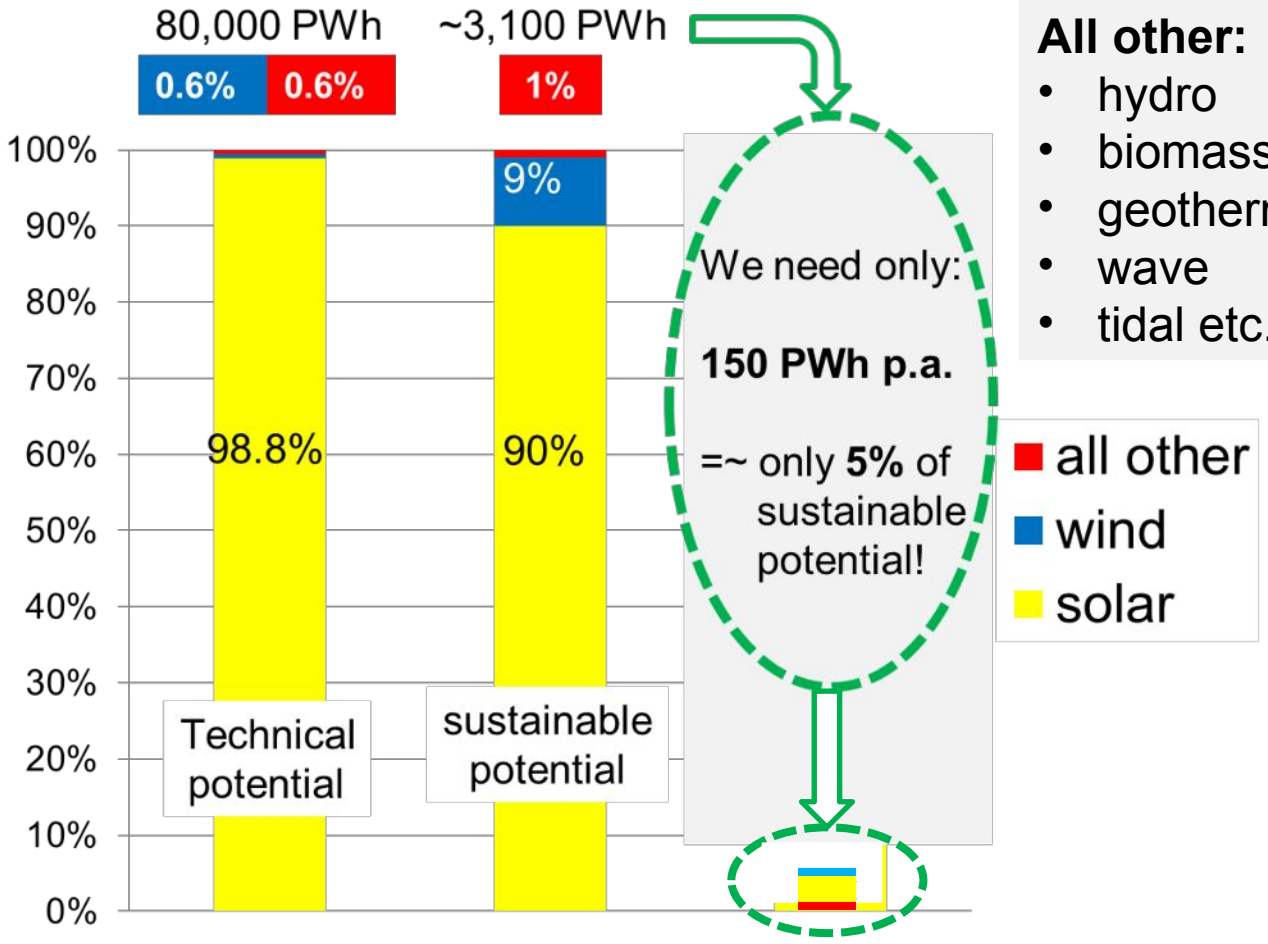

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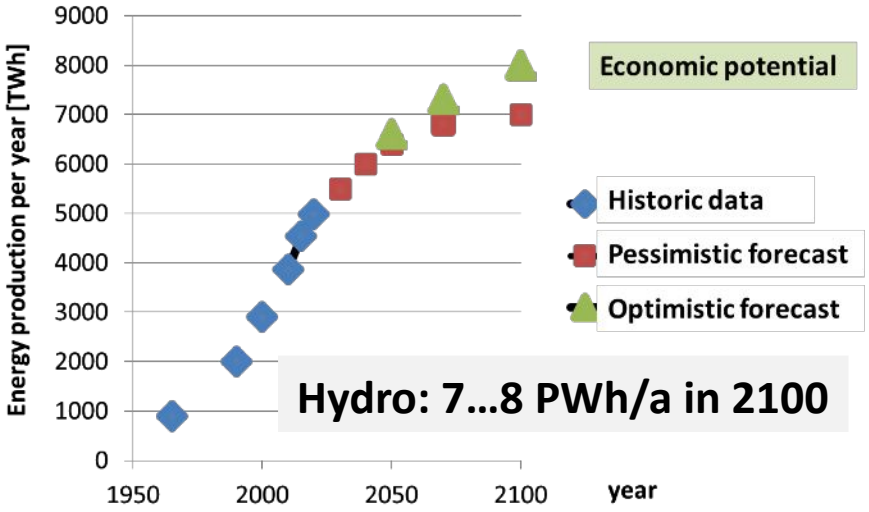
Other renewable technologies to contribute to 20% or 30 PWh SE

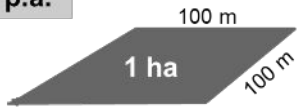


Hydro: 7…8 PWh/a in 2100

Biogas/-electricity p.a.

Corn to biogas at best conditiones ~50 MWh/ha
Power plant eff 50%
25 MWh/ha electricity

PV green field p.a.

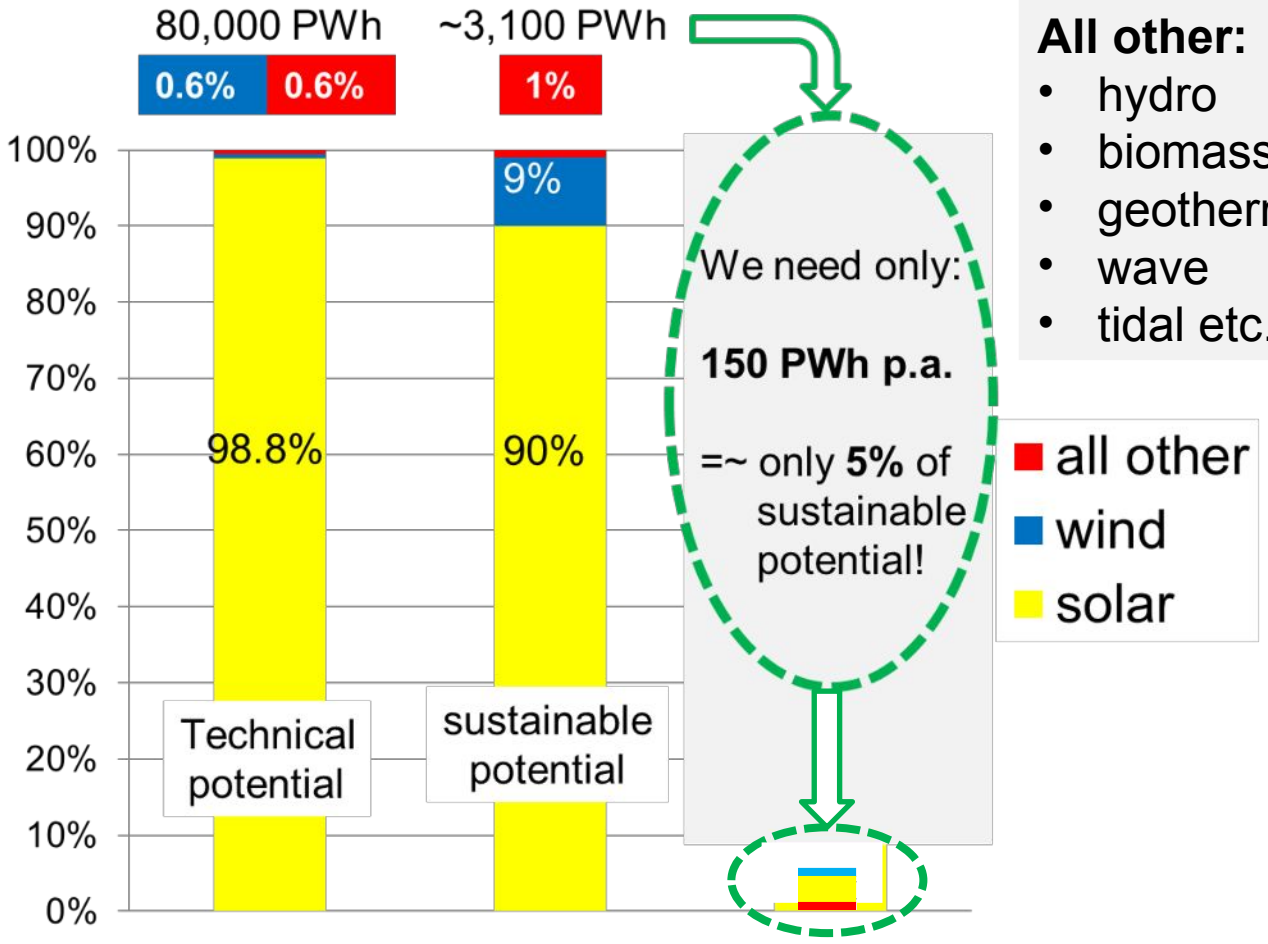


PV green field 20(30)% eff & 50% cover :
1,000 (1,500) MWh/ha in Ger
2,000 (3,000) MWh/ha in South

Not to forget: waste to energy!

On same area: PV has 40 -120 times more output!

Technical and sustainable potential for renewable technologies (4)



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- → **60%** (<90%) for **solar** as consequence

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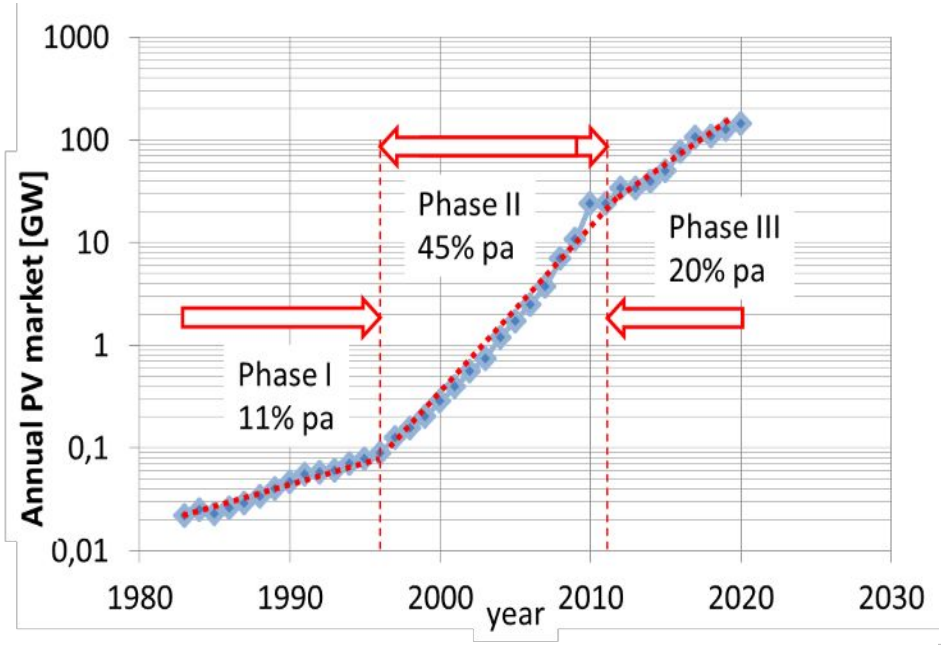
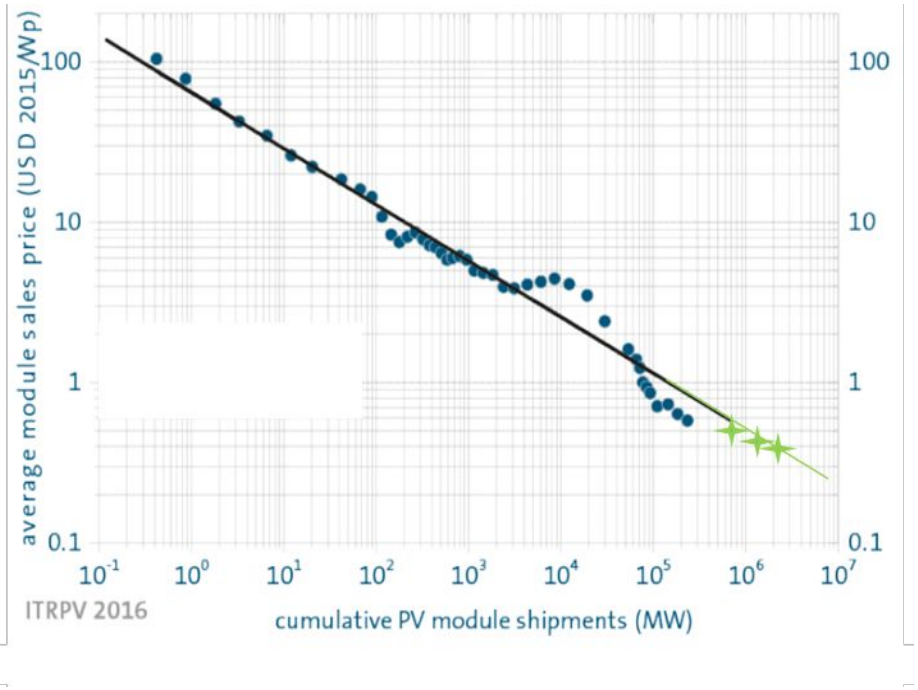
Historical market growth and price development (PEC) for PV

PV market development

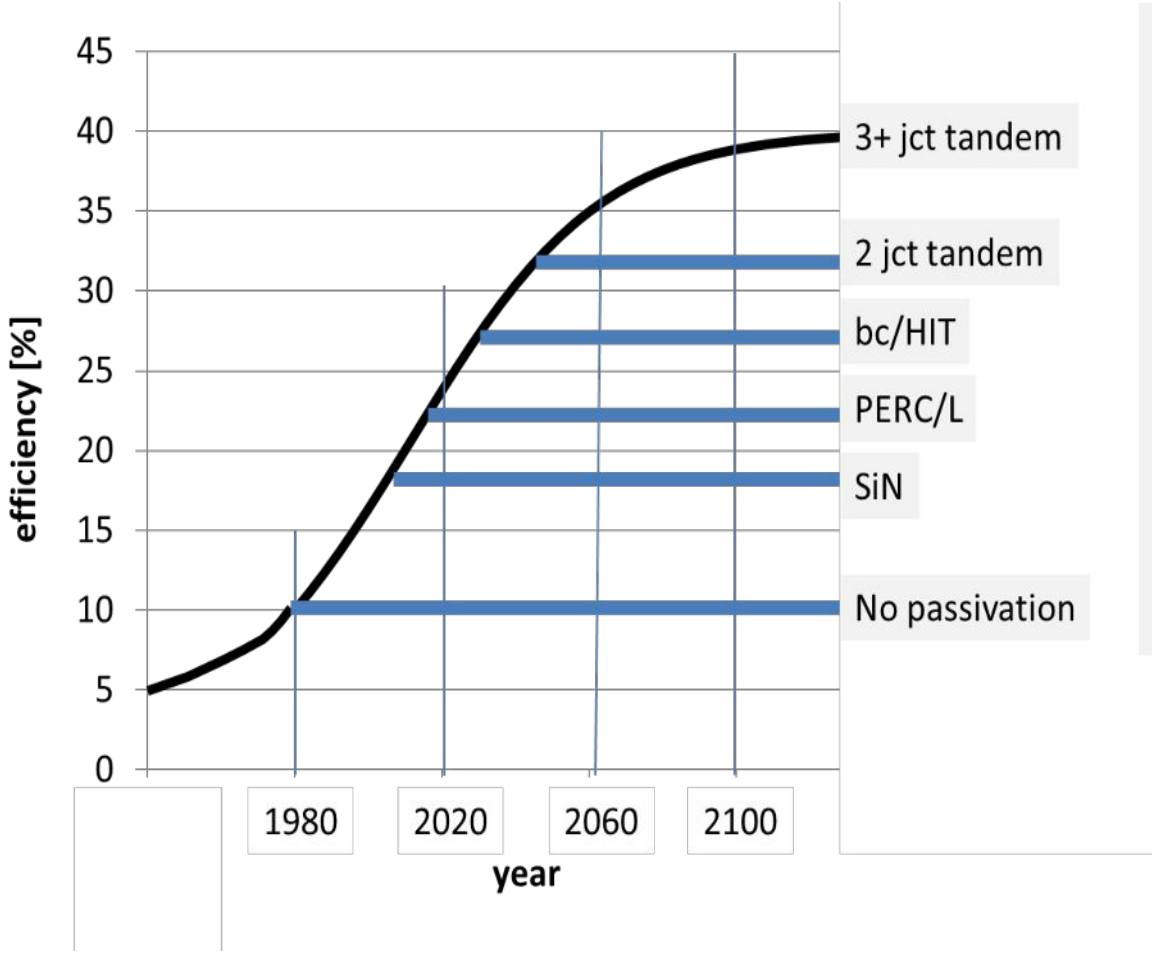


Price Experience Curve (PEC) PV modules



Source: SPE-GMO's, IRENA

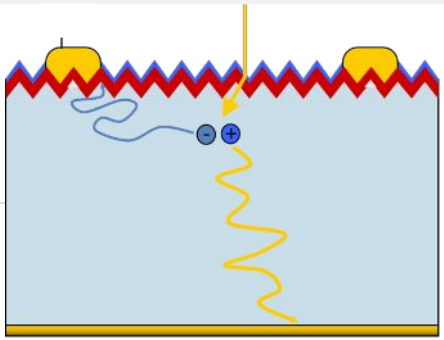
c-Si and tandem cell and module technology dvlp. and applications



Source: Winfried Hoffmann

All **area related cost numbers** (module assembly, mounting structure, cabling, installation …) **decrease** proportionally with **efficiency increase**

→ **Efficiency** is most important lever to further **decrease LCOE** (Levelized Cost of Electricity)



The endless diversity for the integration of PV solar cells …

Integration of PV cells

For power plants
400→600→1000 W/module

Commercial and billions of private roof-top prosumers

FPV (floating PV)

BIPV (building integrated PV) „construction material“

Agri-PV /agricultural PV)

VPV (vehicle integrated PV)

IPV4E (Integration of PV for Everything)

Various configurations for Agrivoltaic or Agri-PV systems

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The Ministry of Energy of Luxembourg has allocated 52.7 MW of PV capacity across 14 projects in the country's first tender for agrivoltaic projects. The selected projects will spread across the country and will occupy a total surface of 73.5 hectares (~1,4 ha/MW). Typical greenfield PV systems need only 1 ha/MW

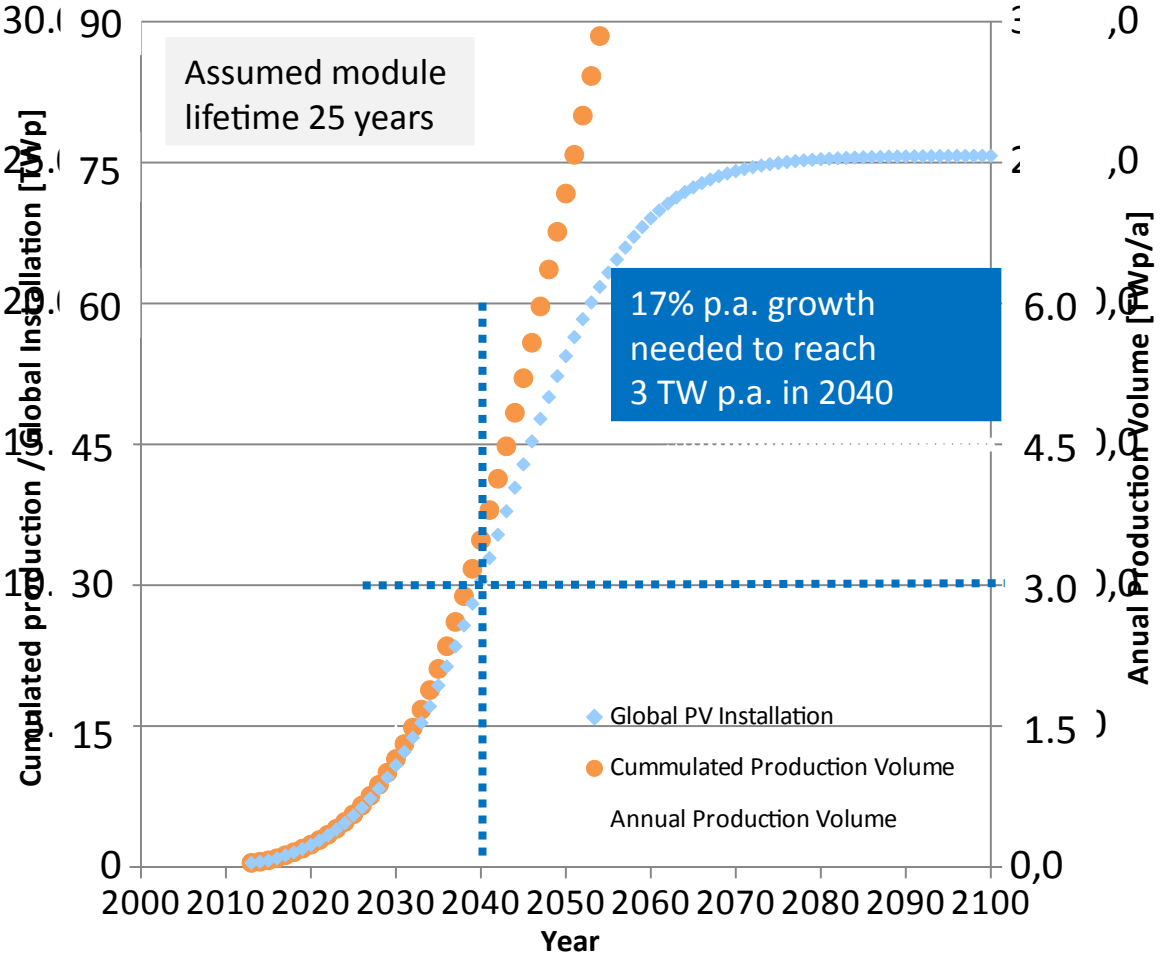
Better yield for a variety of plants and vegetables

Combined with **drop irrigation** this is particularly well suited for installations in arid zones.

Vertical PV installations can help to **protect against dehydration** of soil by wind.

Various configurations for Agrivoltaic or Agri-PV systems

Growth assumption to reach 90 PWh electricity with PV in 2050+



Source: Axel Metz, Winfried Hoffmann (2018)

75 TW_p cumulative installations

correspond to ~90 PWh annual electricity

assuming ~1.2 kWh/W_p as global average

Wind and solar contributions are temporally variable--> need for storage!

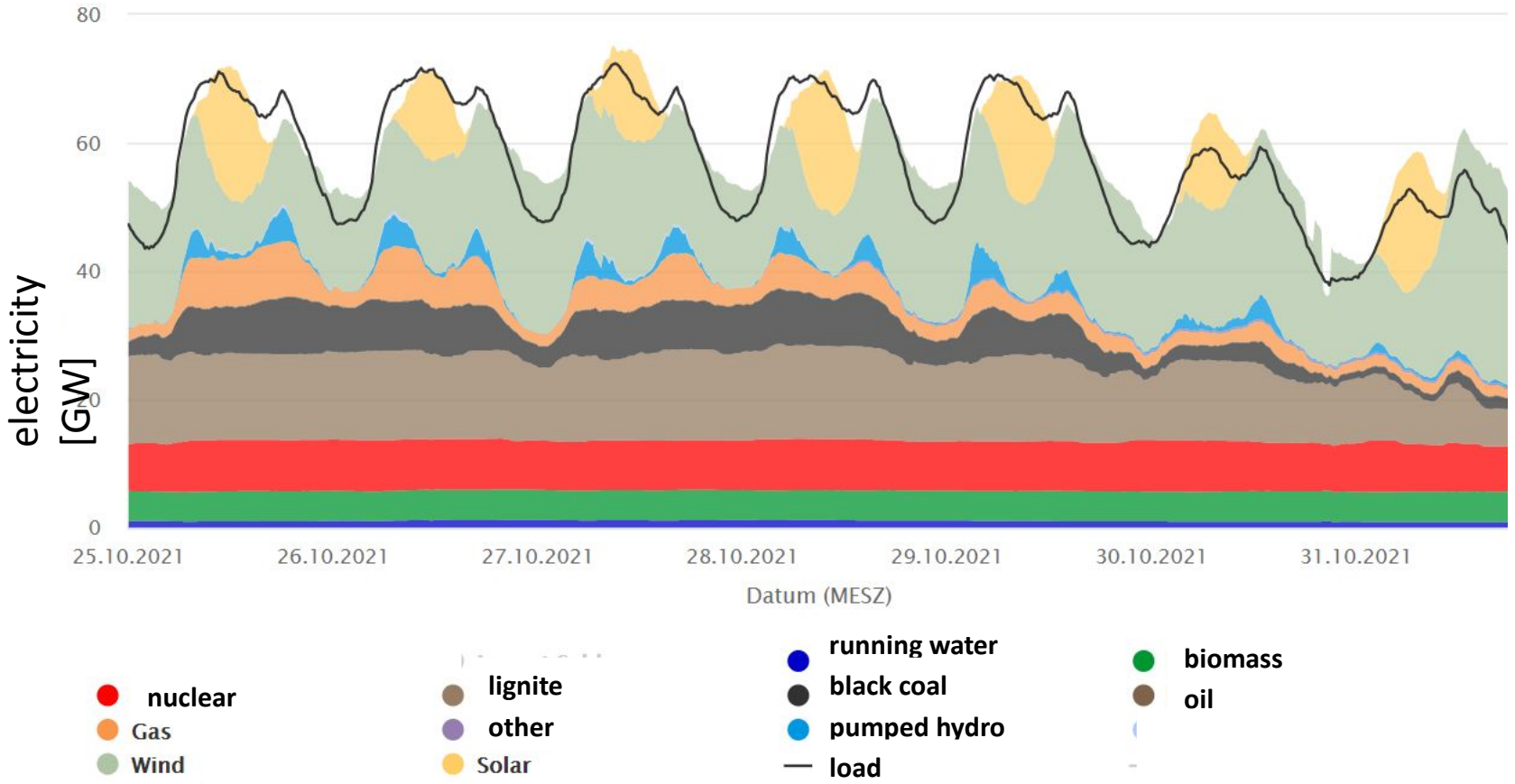
An electricity grid has to have at all times a balanced level for need and supply. Hence it is important to take into account the **variability of solar and wind.**
Solar is never available at night and during the day changing its ideal output according to the occurence of clouds. Fortunately the electrical output is only proportional to the incoming illumination.
The erratic changes in **wind** velocity result unfortunately in high output changes due to the 3rd power dependence on this parameter.

Fortunately it is possible with todays measurements and AI tools to predict with increasing accuracy the changes in solar irradiation and wind velocity in advance.

However, in order to match precisely the electricity needs and the supply of electricity we must have a „reservoir of electricity“ from which electricity can be taken when no sun and no wind is available and stored when a surplus is available. A **battery** can be used to act as this reservoir.

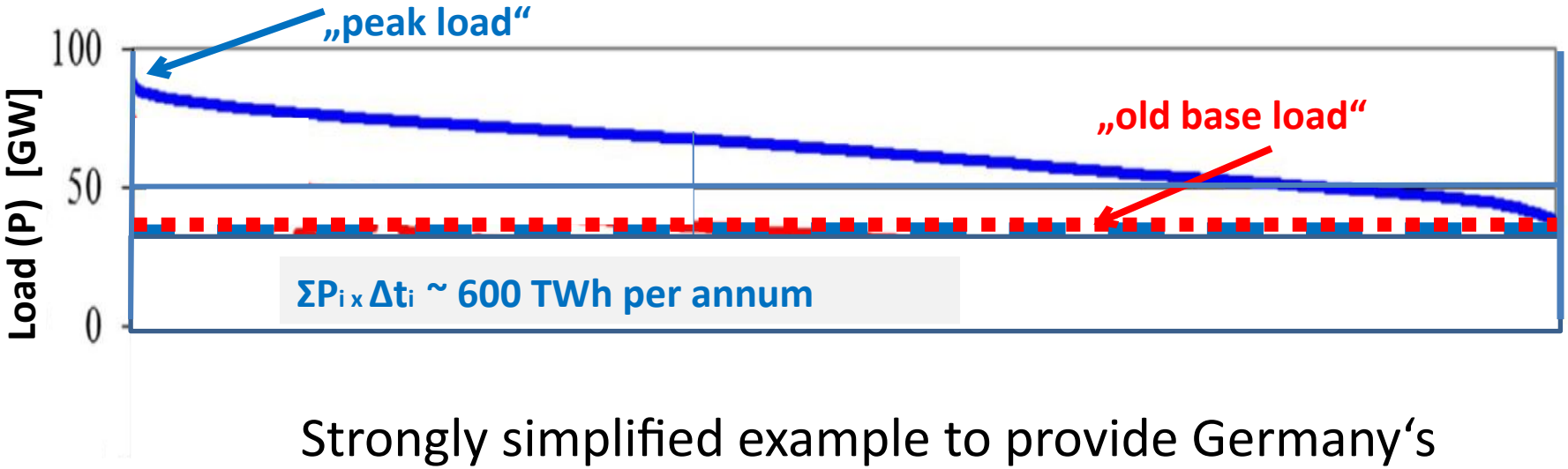
It is important to realize that different time regimes for storage and discharge are needed: minutes, hours, days and sometimes few weeks.

Daily load profile for cw 43 in 2021 in Germany with generation technologies



Source: Ref: Bruno Burger, Energy charts FhG-ISE

Electricity load curve for Germany in the old energy world



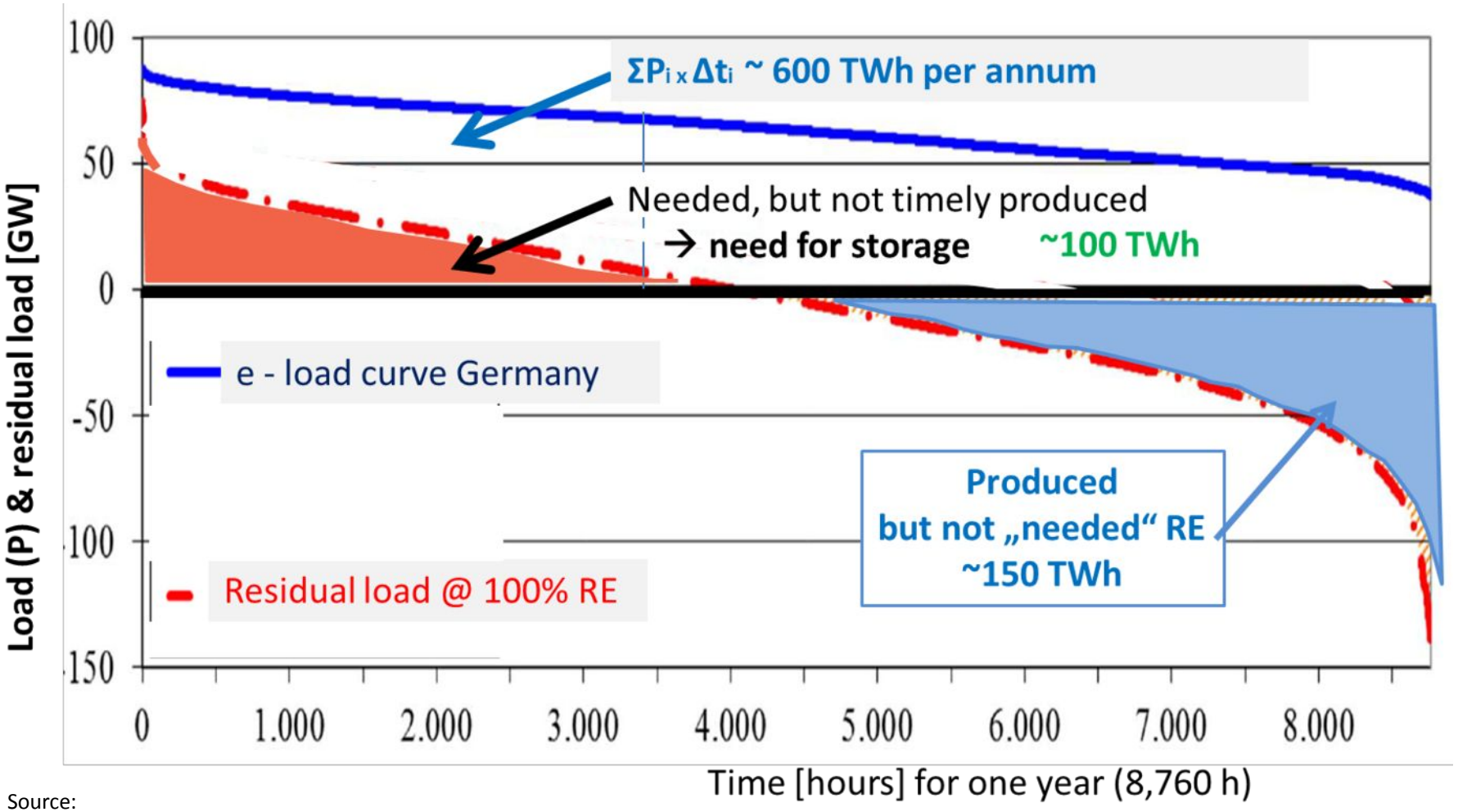
Strongly simplified example to provide Germany‘s annual electricity with renewables (wind and solar):

~200 GW Wind =~ 400 TWh/a

~250 GW PV =~ 250 TWh/a

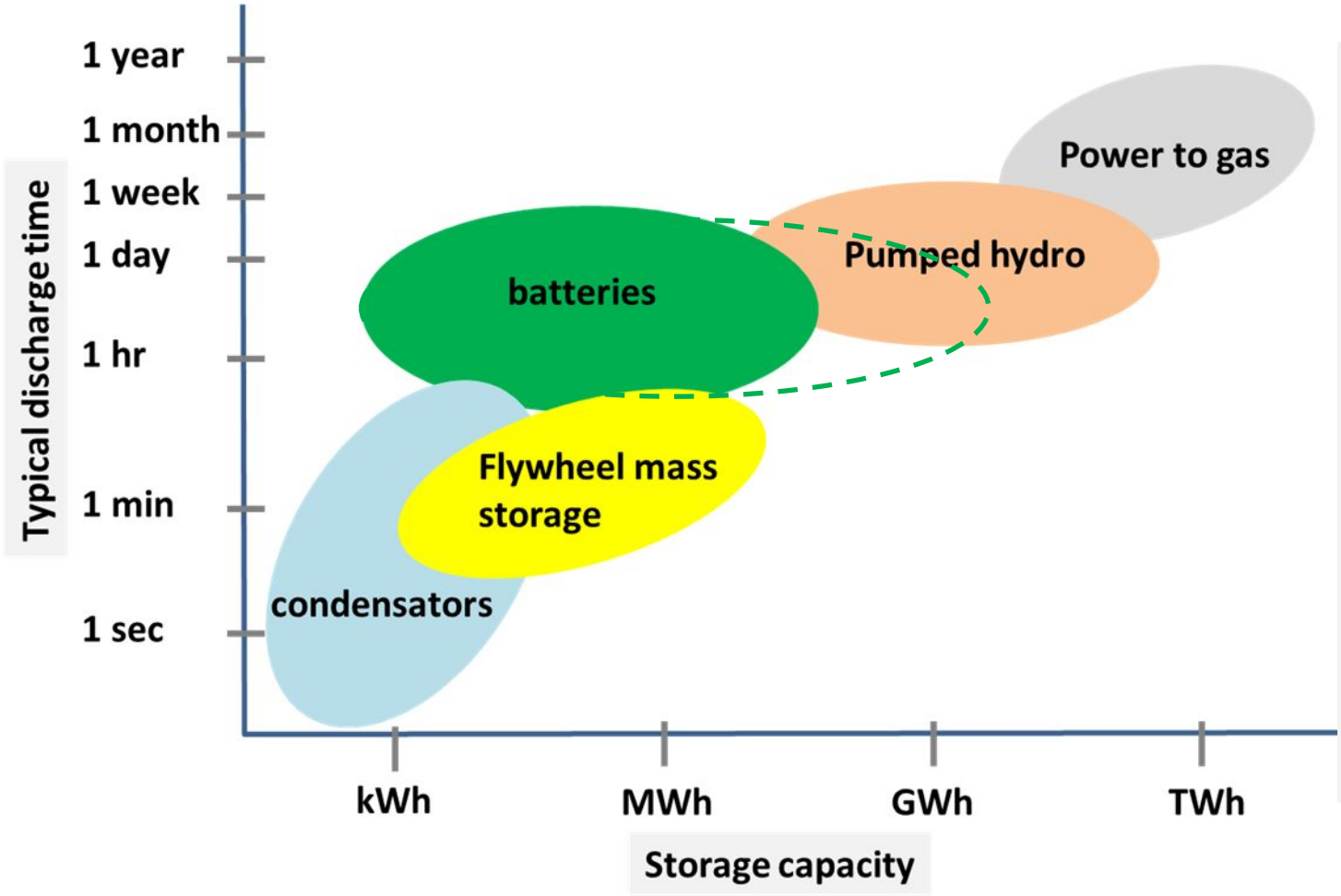
Source: Hartmann (2012) and Jülch (FhG-ISE, 2014)

Germany‘s load curve and residual load with Renewable Energy (RE)



Source:

Storage capacities and typical discharge times



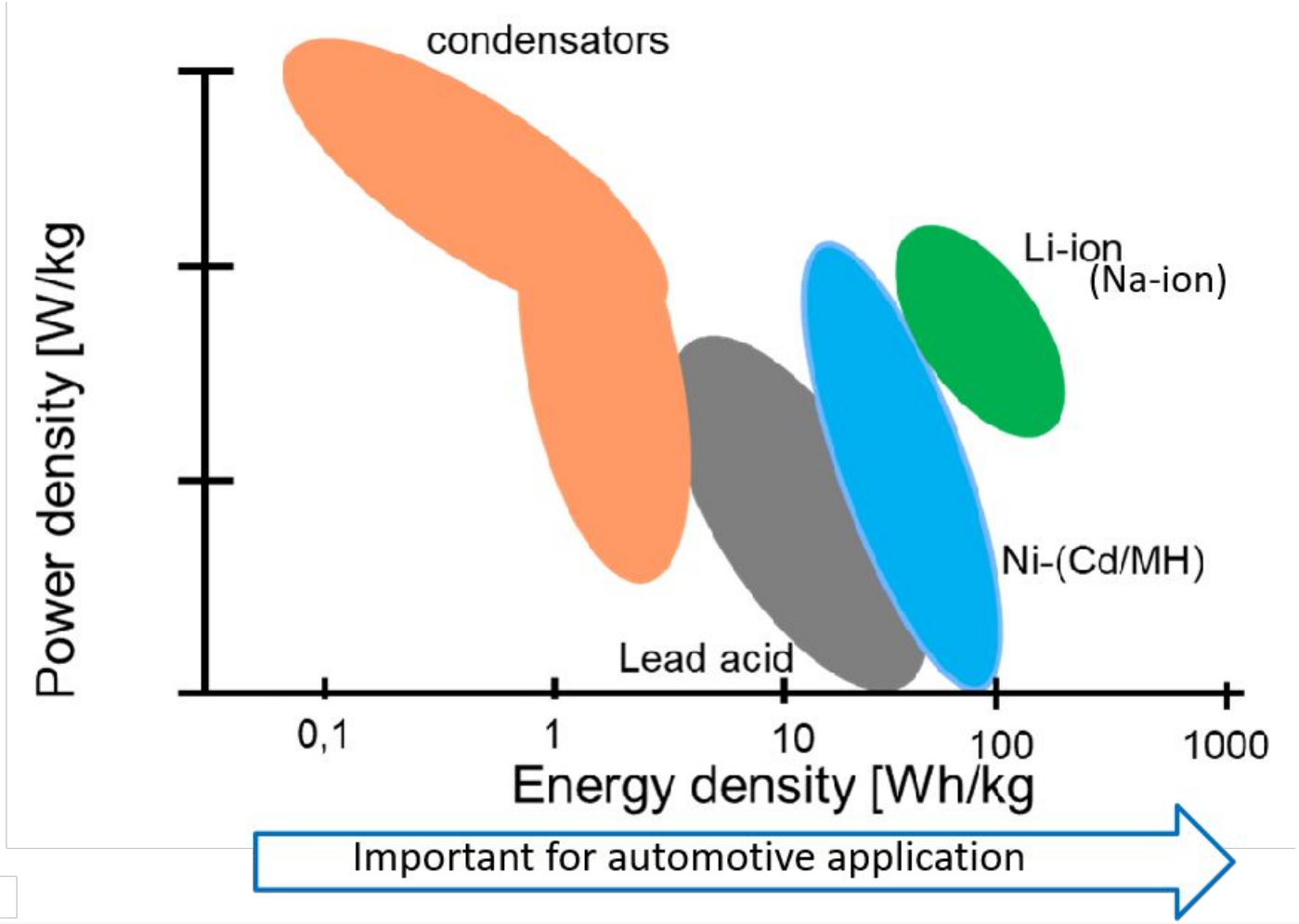
e.g. Germany:
Gas distribution system has an energy content of ~200 TWh

→ @1000 TWh electricity consumption/a

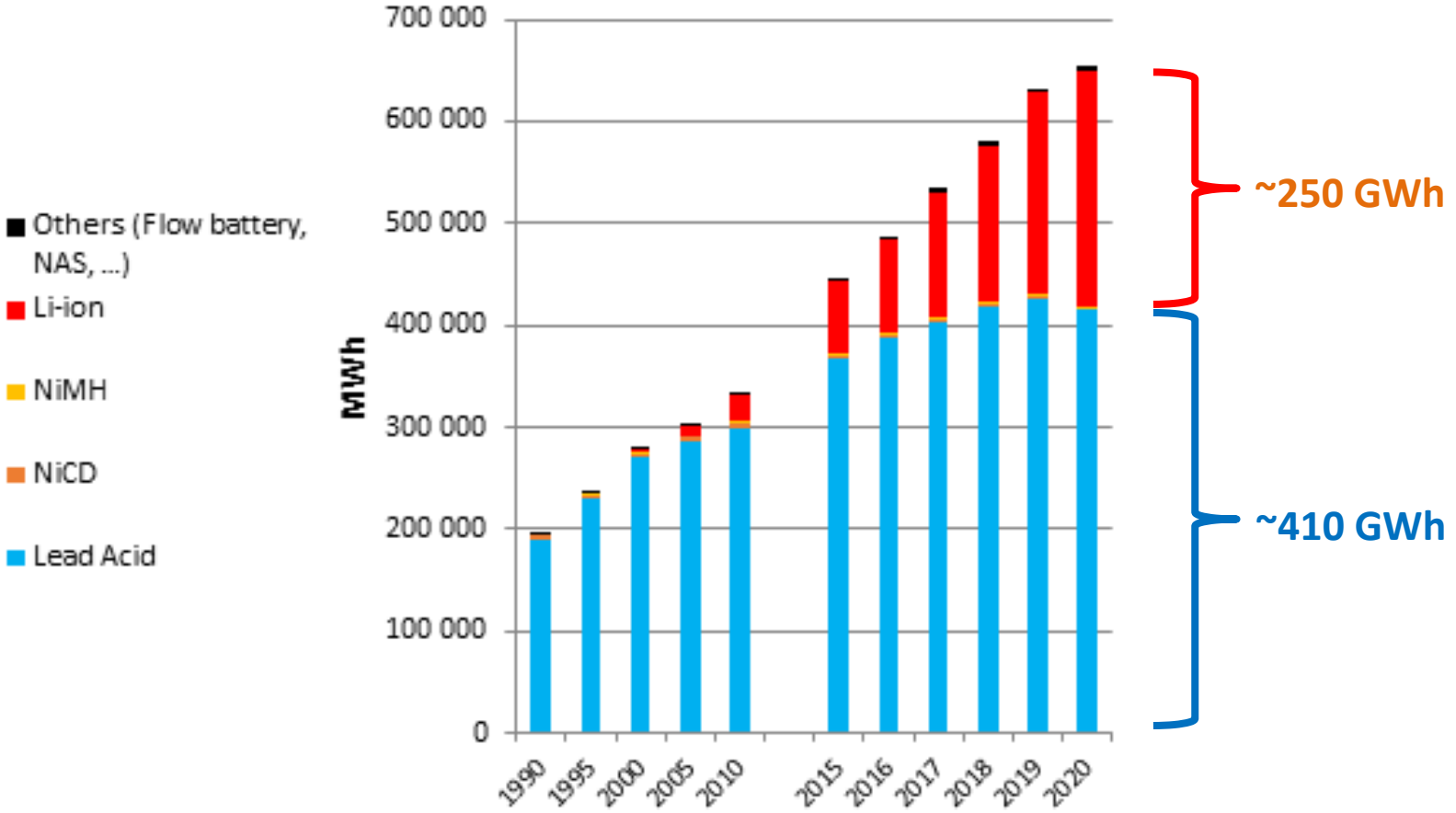
→ up to 10 weeks can be covered;

→ realistic are ~2 weeks w/o sun and wind „Dunkelflaute“

Energy- and power density for various storage technologies



History for the annual battery production



Source: Avicenne (Christoph Pillot, 2021)

Automotive and portable Li – ion battery applications

LIB capacity	**~10 Wh**	**50 - 100 Wh**	**100 Wh – 1 kWh**	**10 - 100 kWh**	**100 - 500 kWh**
application	Mobiles, Smart phones	laptop	e-bike	e-car	e-bus
start	mid 1990s	end 1990s	~2000	~2013	~2020

Source: Avicenne (Christoph Pillot, 2021)

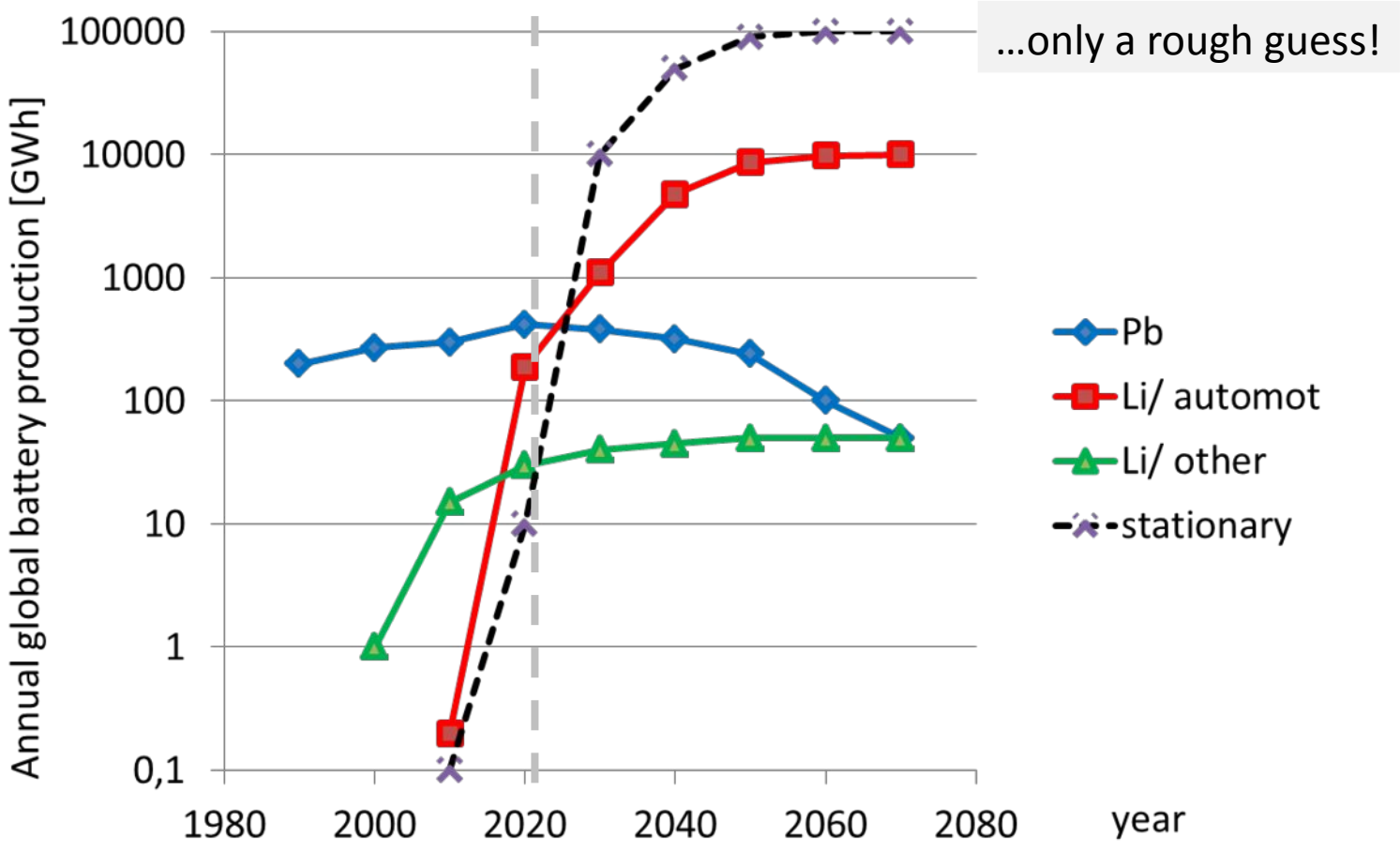
Future development for storage

Energy storage for the future zero Carbon world does need different storage technologies for the various applications:

- **Mobility ((~50 … 150 kWh)/car)**
  The future lightweight (>kWh/kg) batteries (e.g. Li-ion) for automobiles, green hydrogen for heavy trucks and railway and biokerosine for aviation was already discussed
- **Stationary use in houses (~10+/- kWh)**
  Lightweight and small volume is not decisive → other technologies for daily storage like redox flow or more heavy batteries (e.g. salt batteries) may become available cheaper per stored kWh than Li-ion.
- **Stationary for hotels, offices, industrial buildings and communities**
  Same argument as for houses → due to large size **(~ x MWh**) adapted technologies are already at pilot stage with potential low storage cost (see next slides).
- **Monthly energy storage for Smart Energy Regions**
  In order to overcome wind and solar lulls („Dunkelflaute“ or „dark doldrums“) the most appropriate solution could be the use of the existing gas network, filled with methane coming from green hydrogen.

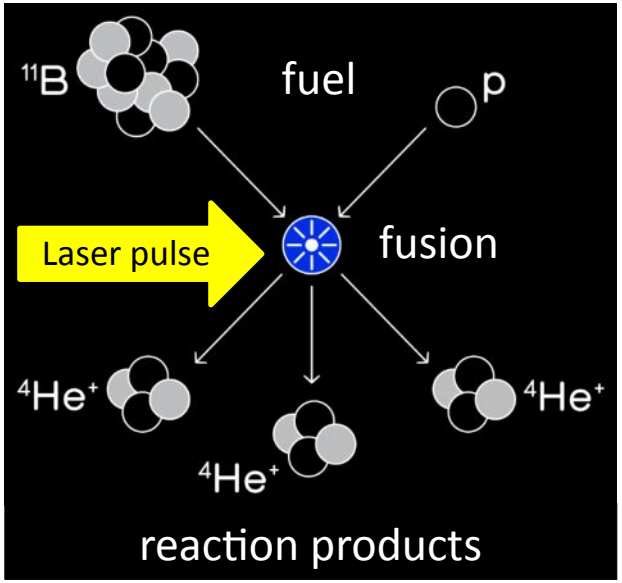
Source:

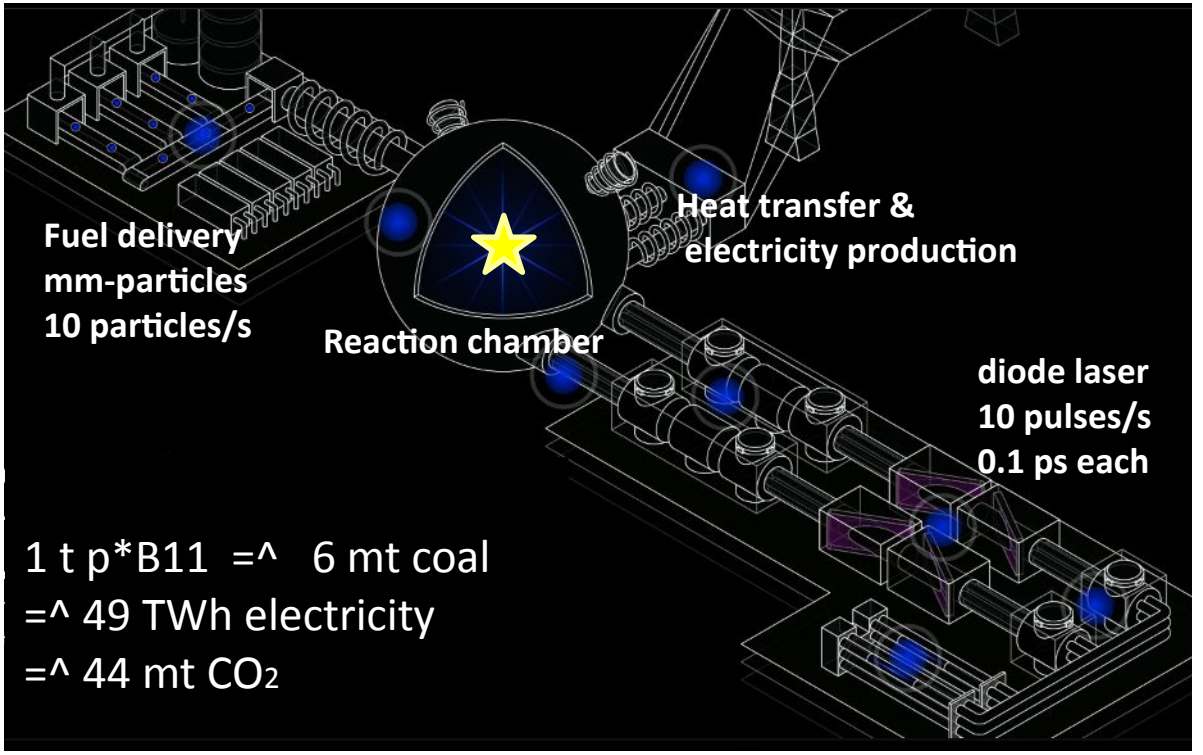
Estimate for global annual battery production … for a 2050 CO2 free world



Source: Until 2020 data avicenne, Data after 2020 by Winfried Hoffmann

New nuclear (inertia) fusion (Marvel Fusion GmbH) …? 2030+ ?...





- Non-radioactive fuel and reaction products (unlike DT-fusion)
- GW reactors feasable
- Particularly suited for energy intensive industry and future mega-cities

Source: Marvel Fusion GmbH

Summary

We know **how much energy** is needed to supply mankind in 2050 (2100): **150 (180) PWh**

This includes **energy justice** (same energy sonsumption) for **all people globally**

The assumption for **energy efficiency increase by factor 3** is ambitious but doable

Fossil energy not allowed for mobility due to non avoidable CO_2 release and **too expensive** if CO_2 is captured and stored (CCS) for **electricity production**

Nuclear fission not allowed because too expensive and ultimate waste disposal unclear

Nuclear inertia fusion could help if demontrated (technically and economically)

Fortunately we have all renewable technologies (including storage) at hand - technically and economically – to supply above needed energy of 150 (180) PWh

Taking into account sustainable offerings for solar, wind and all others and utilization of local offerings we conclude 60% solar / 20% wind / 20% all other renewables

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