



# THE HYDROGEN ECONOMY AND THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

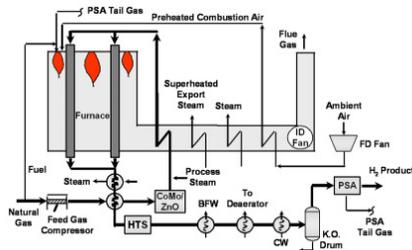
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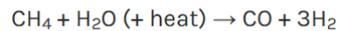
# PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN

## Steam Methane Reforming (SMR)

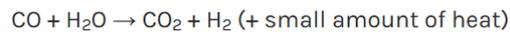
- 90% of H<sub>2</sub> produced in Steam Methane Reforming (using nat. gas)



### Steam-methane reforming reaction



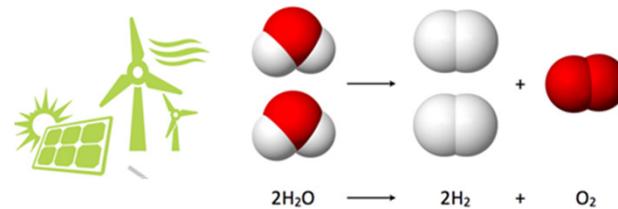
### Water-gas shift reaction



- Emissions of roughly 10t CO<sub>2</sub> / 1 t of H<sub>2</sub> (25 t / 1MM scfd)
- Costs are mostly depending on Nat.Gas price
  - ~ \$2-3/kg H<sub>2</sub>

## Water Electrolysis

- Water Electrolysis
- Developed 1888
- Theoretical Energy 142 MJ/kg H<sub>2</sub> -> 39.4kWh
- 1 MWh -> 25.4kg Hydrogen
- Modern electrolyzer ~19kg = 75% Efficiency
- 53MWh electricity per 1 ton of H<sub>2</sub>
- Main cost is power (76 to 171 Eur/MWh) -> 4-12 Eur/kg
- Capital costs ~ 1-1.5MM Eur/MW installed
- Low to zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (depends on power source)



# INDUSTRIAL USE OF HYDROGEN

## What do we use Hydrogen for

- Industrial
  - Ammonia, Fertilizers
  - Hydrochloric Acid
  - Methanol
  - Aniline
  - Fat hardening, etc.
- Fuel
  - Fuel Cells
  - Combustion Engines

- Basis for use in Carbon Conversion
  - Long chain hydrocarbons via Fischer Tropsch (jet fuel, etc.)
  - Methanol synthesis from CO<sub>2</sub> or Syngas
  - Green methane/natural gas from CO<sub>2</sub>

CO<sub>2</sub> neutral H<sub>2</sub> !



CO<sub>2</sub> Capture



## TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS

### Hydrogen Logistics

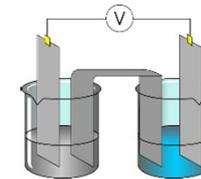
- Hydrogen is difficult to transport
  - Gaseous at 200 – 700 bar ( 1 kg H<sub>2</sub> per 100kg container weight)
  - Liquid at -253 °C (10 kg H<sub>2</sub> per 100kg container but 20 % energy loss)
  
- Storage in Caverns
  - ca. 60 – 80 bar pressure
  - Density ~ 0.09 kg/Nm<sup>3</sup> at normal pressure
  - @70 bar ~ 300t in 50.000m<sup>3</sup> cavern



# WATER-ELECTROLYSIS AT DOW IN STADE

## Production and Storage capacity at World Scale

- Dow produces ~ 50.000 t/a Hydrogen with salt water electrolysis
  - Total Power Consumption City of Stade 46.000 people (excl. industry) ~ 2600 t/a
- Equivalent to electrolysis-capacity of ~ 230MW
  - ~ 3-400 MM Euro Capital Invest equivalent
  - ~ 100 MM Eur/a power costs at 8000 h/a and 60 Eur/MWh
- Direct access on site to northern German wind power
- DOW operates several salt caverns
  - Generating 1MM m3/a cavern capacity
  - Experience in storing propylene and ethylene in salt domes already
  - Can generate hydrogen storage cavern faster than anyone else



# OUTLOOK

## Current & Future Projects

- Utilization of Hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub> from DOW owned Nat.Gas. Power plant
  - 42 kta “Green Methanol”
  - 10 kta “Power 2 Jet – Green Jet Fuel”
- Storage of Excess Power
  - We operate 5 TWh of electrolysis today
  - Cavern storage available
  - Access to renewable power in GW scale
  - Modification of gas turbines to use H<sub>2</sub> up to 50% vol. under investigation



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### Industrial-scale power-to-liquid plant planned

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*Industrial consortium on the way to green kerosene*

*A funding application for the construction of an industrial demonstration plant has been agreed today by a partnership of major companies as part of a memorandum of understanding entitled "GreenPower2Jet" (GP2J).*

## TAKEAWAYS

- Dow Stade has huge quantities of electrolysis H2 available (50.000 mt/a)
- Dow Stade can offer storage of H2 in salt caverns
- Dow Stade has access to huge quantities of renewable power
  
- Traditional transportation of H2 is difficult/inefficient
- Invest costs for Water electrolysis are high
- Production costs of “green” H2 are significantly higher than fossil based



DOW Stade  
Enabler for Hydrogen Economy  
on World Scale in Lower Saxony





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