

A new IAEA in-house capability for integrated system analysis - FRAMES

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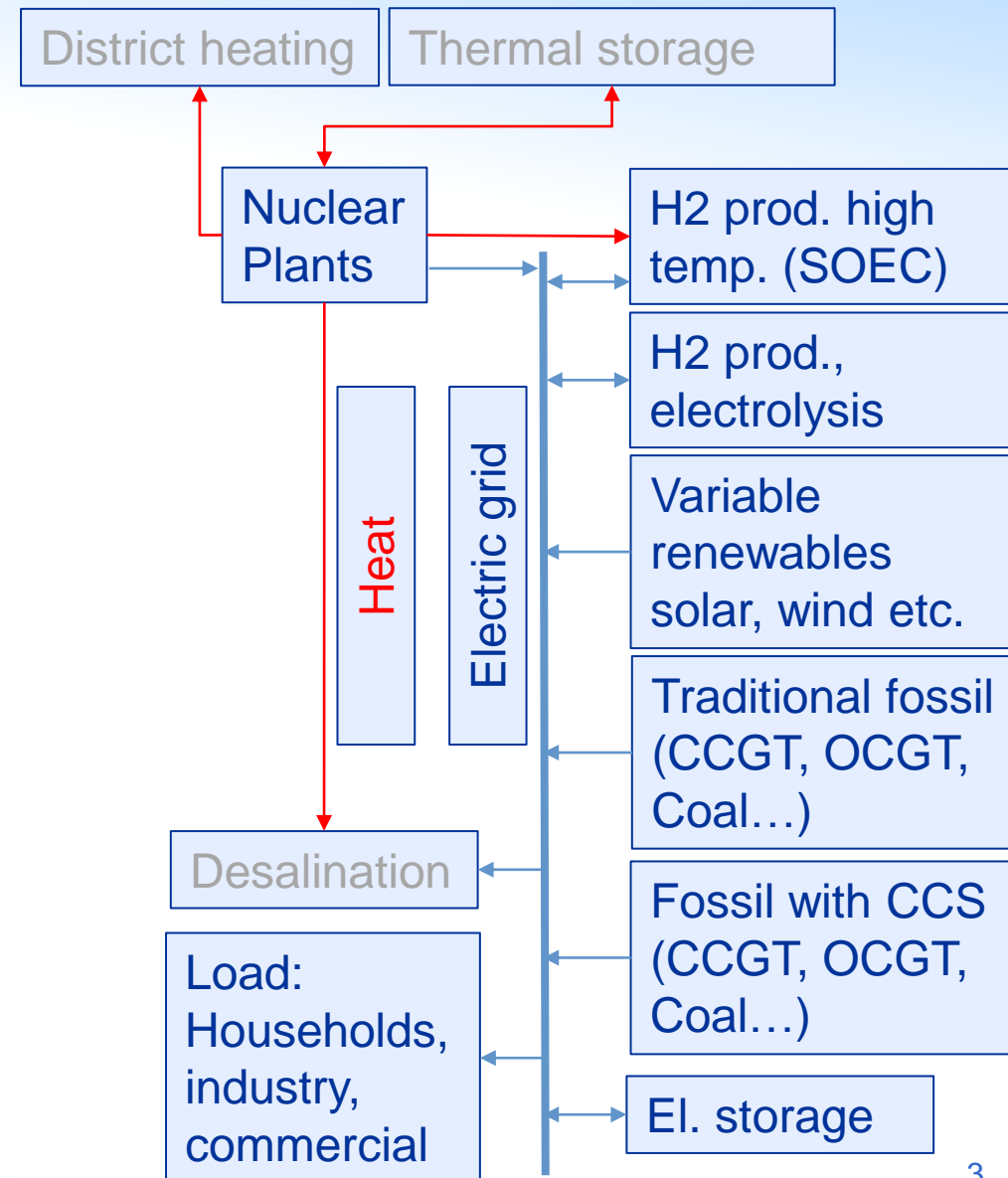
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Integrated Energy System Analysis: FRAMES

- Growing interest in integrated energy systems (Member States and IAEA), in particular with nuclear and renewables
- IAEA is developing an in-house capability (FRAMES)
- Can quantify the value that nuclear brings to low-carbon systems, and inform policy
- FRAMES can highlight the value of Gen IV NES (high temperature heat for non-el. applications, load following etc.), for example.

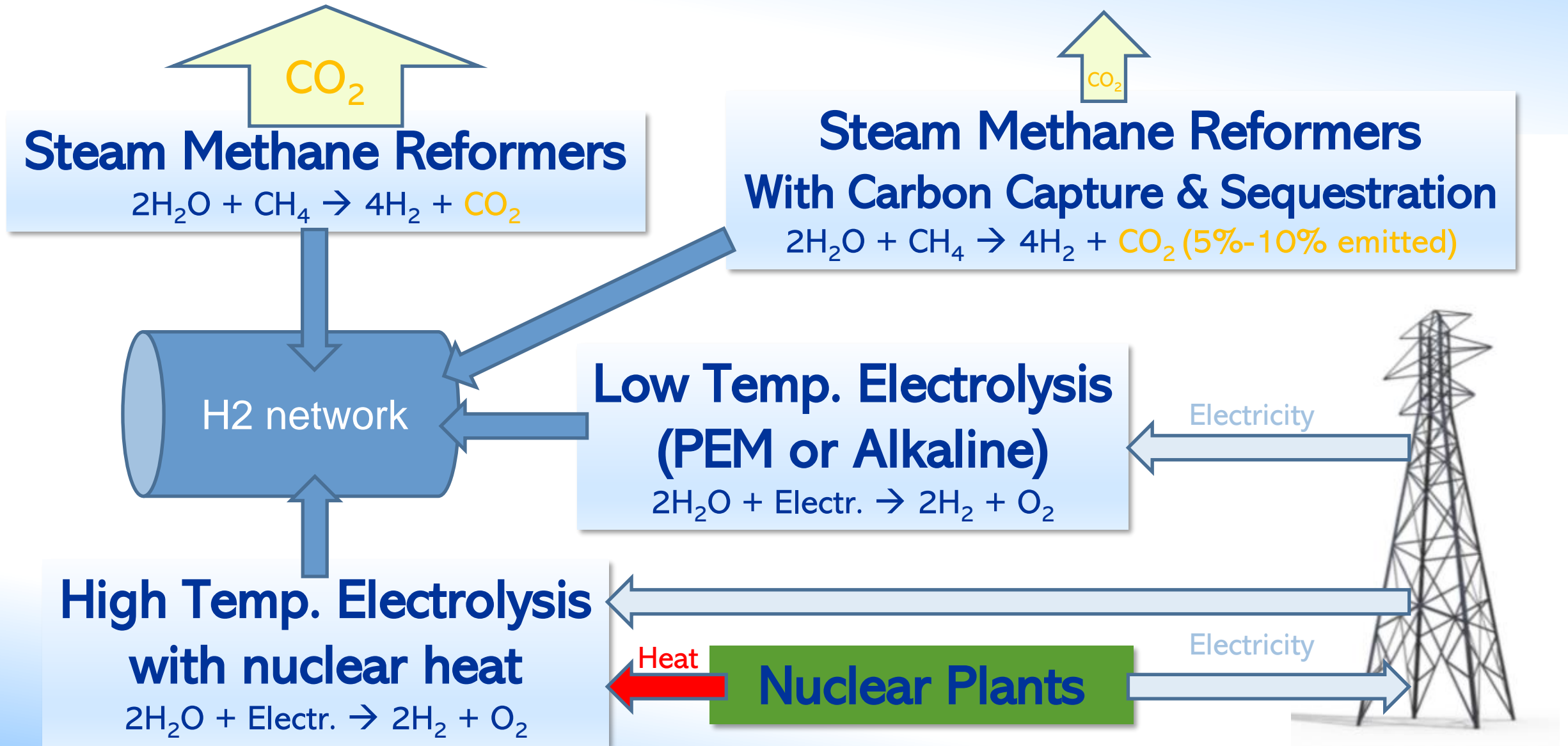


Objectives of FRAMES

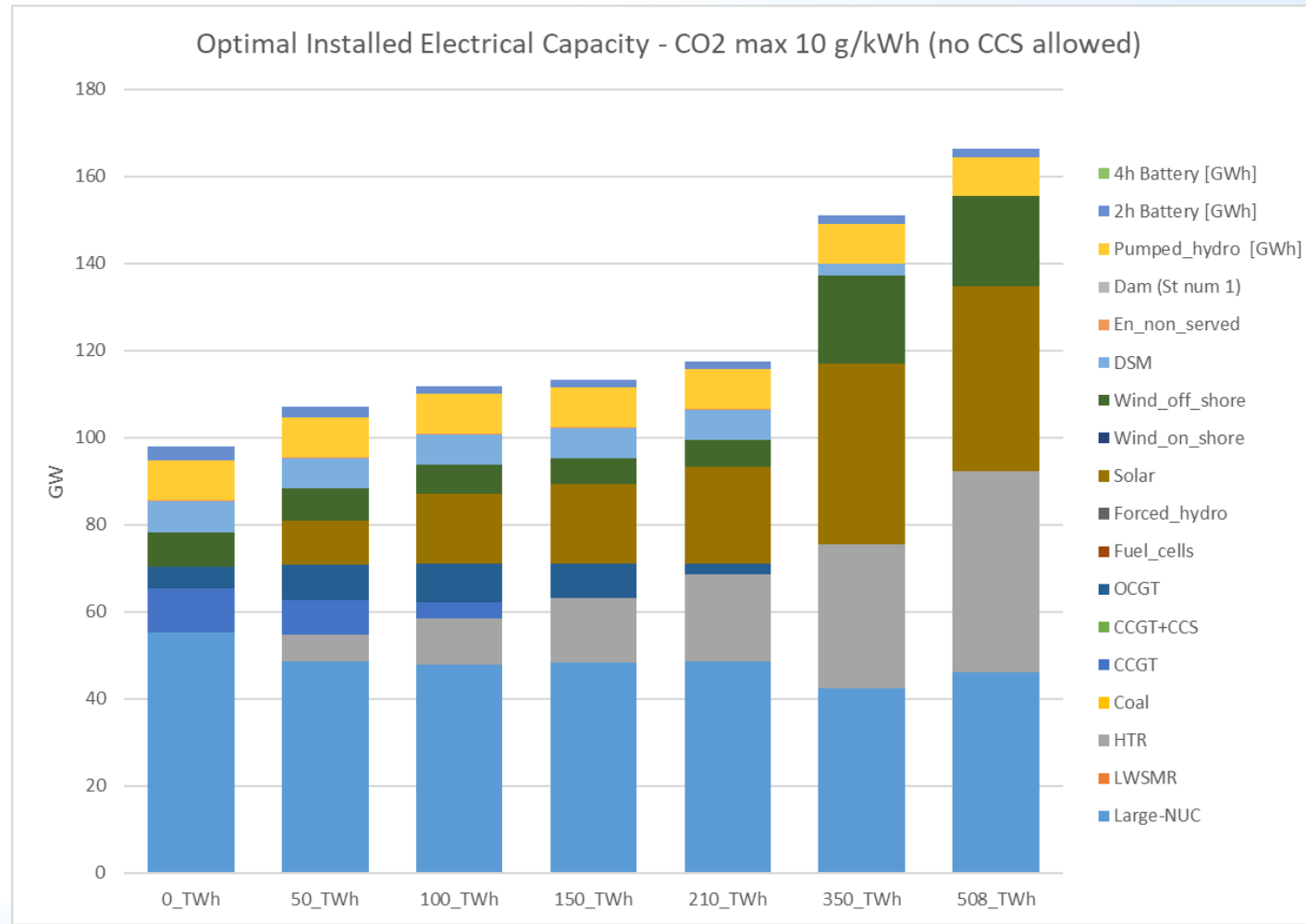
For quantitative and defensible analyses:

- On the role that nuclear energy can play in present and future electricity systems;
- On the optimal grid integration of advanced (e.g. Gen IV) nuclear technologies;
- On the optimal share of nuclear and renewables for each particular grid, demand profile, VRE potential etc.;
- On the optimal policy mechanisms to achieve climate targets;
- On the flexibility requirements for nuclear power plants in future energy systems (useful for technology developers, e.g. of Gen IV systems);
- On non-electric application of nuclear energy (cogeneration, energy storage, multigeneration etc.), e.g. in synergy with advanced nuclear technologies.

Example of model in FRAMES: H₂



Optimal H₂/electricity production strategy for decarbonized system (FRAMES example result)



With increasing H₂ demand, the optimal deployment of Gen IV high temperature reactors for the cogeneration of thermal H₂ and electricity increases.

Conclusions

- The IAEA is developing FRAMES as an in-house modelling capability for integrated systems assessment.
- FRAMES can help quantify the value that nuclear brings to low-carbon systems, especially with nuclear and renewables,
- It can inform policy and other techno-economic evaluations: E.g. features of Gen IV reactors that make them advantageous for the decarbonized systems of the future.
- Currently, FRAMES is used to support IAEA's messages on nuclear energy's role in decarbonization strategies (for example at COP26).
- Collaborations on complex energy system modelling and methodologies with MSs could be considered in the future.

Thank you!

