

# Efficiency Increase by Systematic Heat Pumping Integration in Industrial Processes

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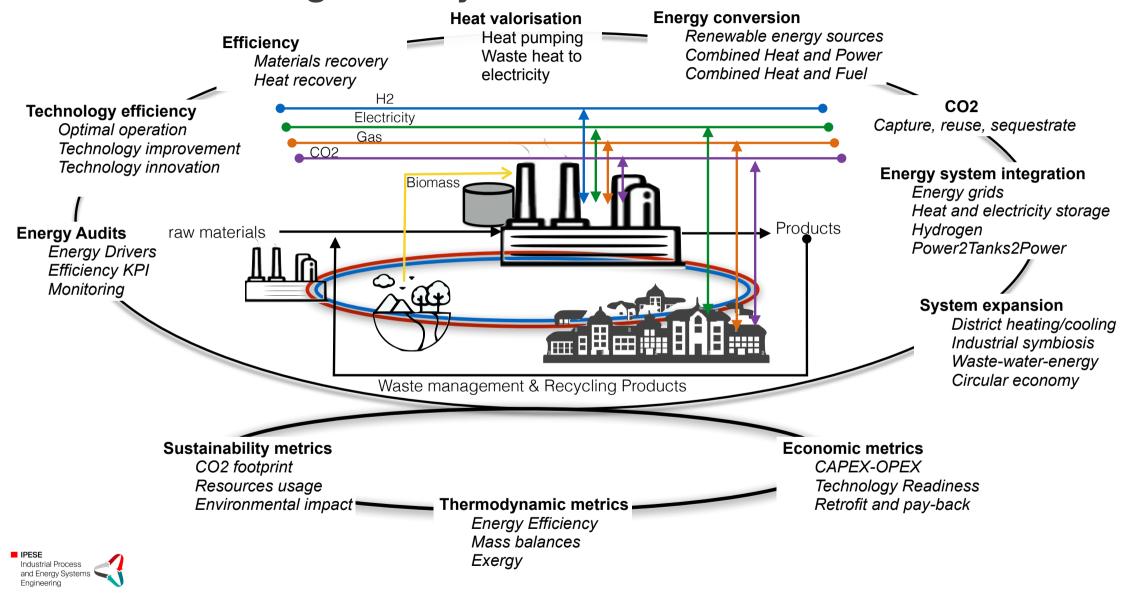
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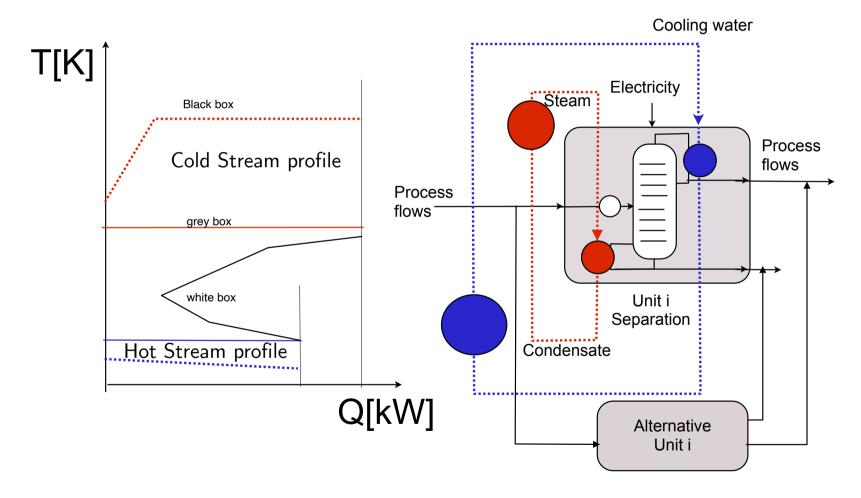


#### **EPFL** Defossilizing industry: thematics



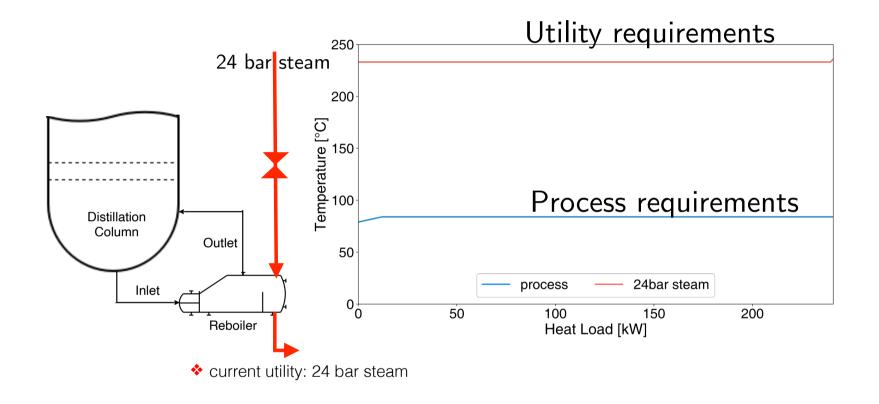
#### **EPFL** Unit Operation energetics: Heat transfer Interfaces

Same unit operation : different heating and cooling profiles



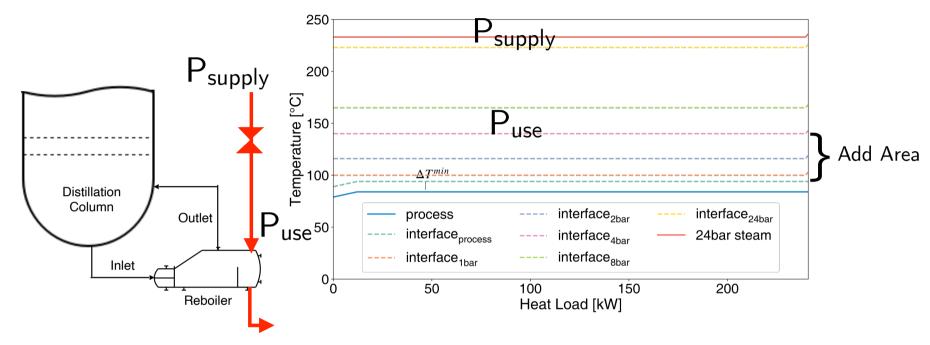


#### **EPFL** Heat exchanger transfer interfaces





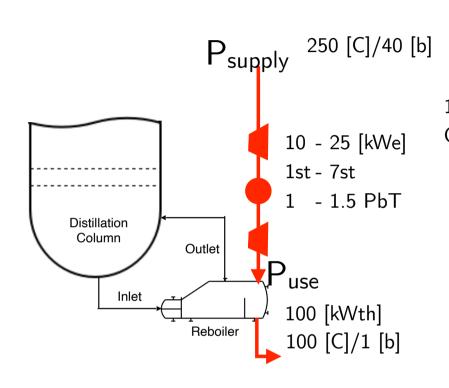
#### **EPFL** Analysing heat transfer interfaces



- ❖ current utility: 24 bar steam
- \*representation of the process with its current utility interface
  - →allow the integration of only the current utility, or a higher temperature source
- ❖ Possible different heat exchange area => investment if P<sub>supply</sub>< P<sub>use</sub>



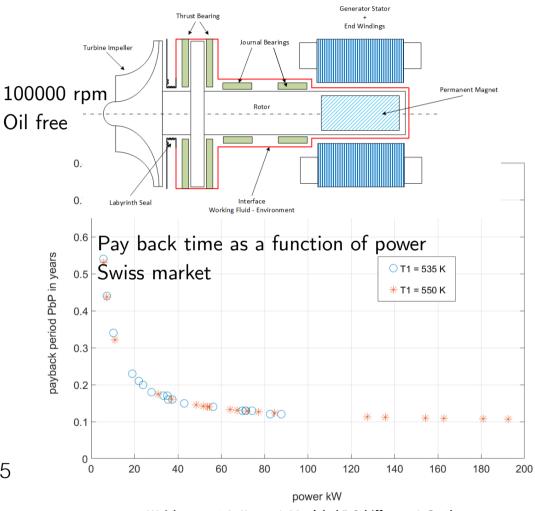
#### **EPFL** Replacing valves by Oil free Micro-Turbines



- ❖ Replace valves by micro turbines
- ❖ Pay back is low even for small flowrates
- ❖multi stages => 3x the power but Pay Back \*1.5



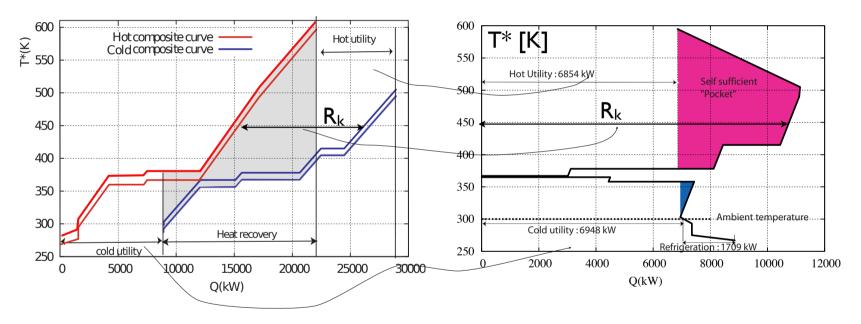




Weickgenannt A, Kantor I, Maréchal F, Schiffmann J. On the Application of Small-Scale Turbines in Industrial Steam Networks. Energies. 2021 Jan;14(11):3149.

#### **EPFL** Heat recovery and heat cascade

- Corrected temperature  $T^* = T + I (\Delta T_{min}/2)$
- Graphical plot of the heat cascade : [R<sub>r</sub>, T\*<sub>r</sub>] r=1,n<sub>r</sub>

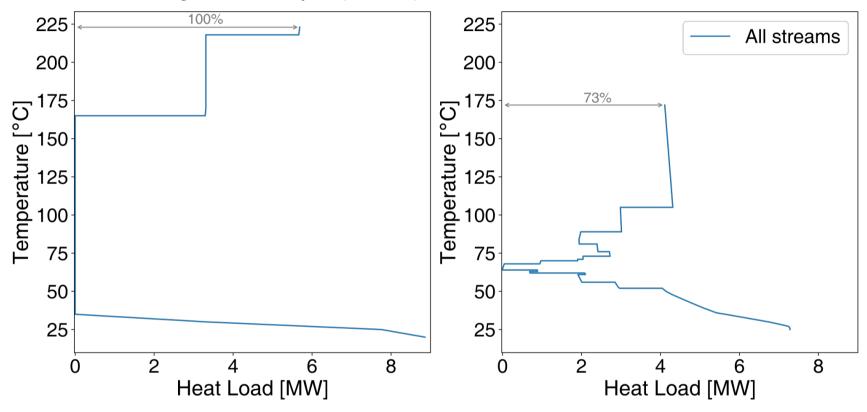


The Grand composite is the heat cascade representation in the corrected temperature domain. it represents the flow of energy in the system from higher temperatures to lower temperature. Above the pinch point is also represents the heat-temperature profile of the heat to be supplied to the system and below the pinch it represents the heat-temperature profile of the heat available in the process and to be removed from the system.



#### **EPFL** Heat recovery and heat cascade as a function of the interfaces

Process integration: utility vs process profiles

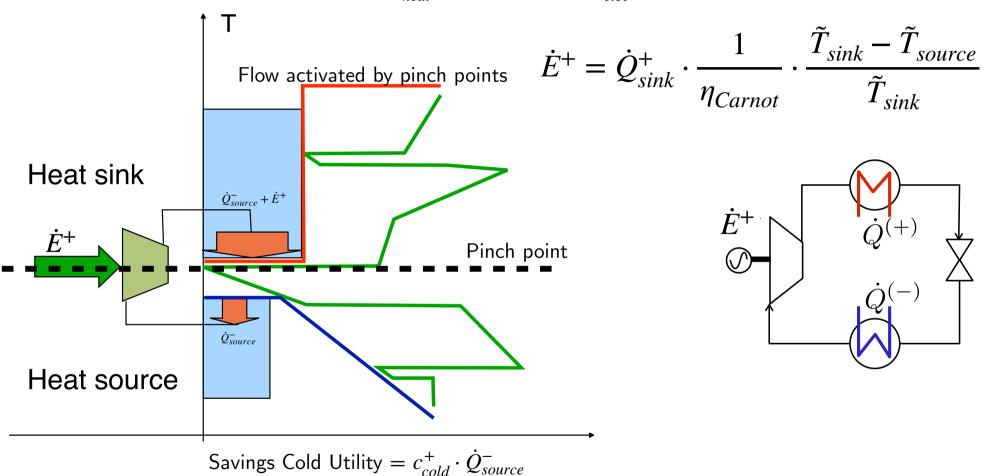


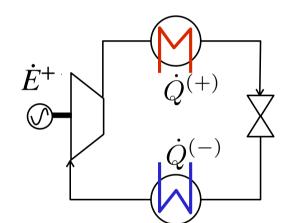
- ❖27% decrease in hot utility by heat recovery
- ❖Lower pressure utility
- ♦cogen or heat pumping?



#### **EPFL** Integrating heat pumps from heat source to heat sink

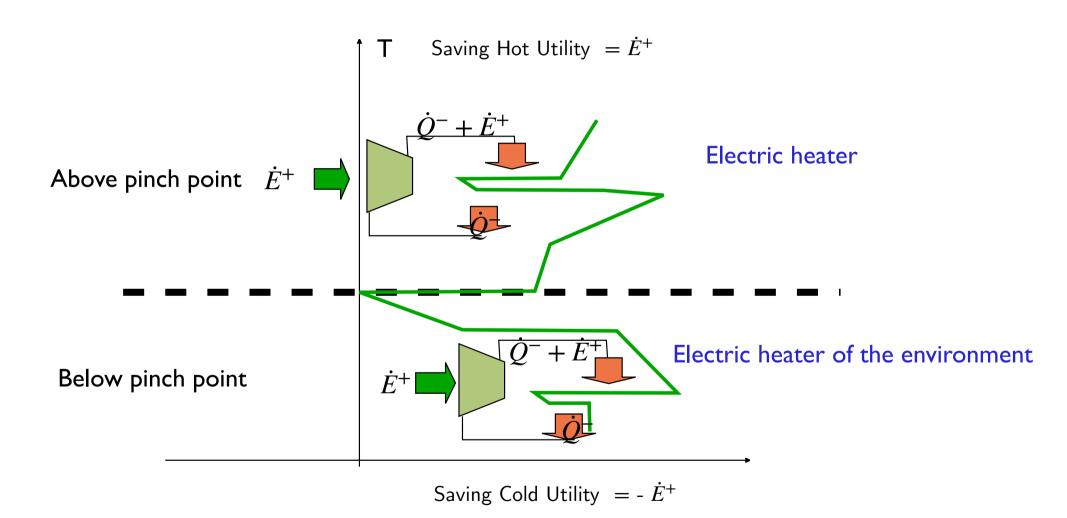
Savings Hot Utility = 
$$c_{heat}^+ \cdot (\dot{Q}_{source}^- + \dot{E}^+) - c_{elec}^+ \cdot \dot{E}^+$$





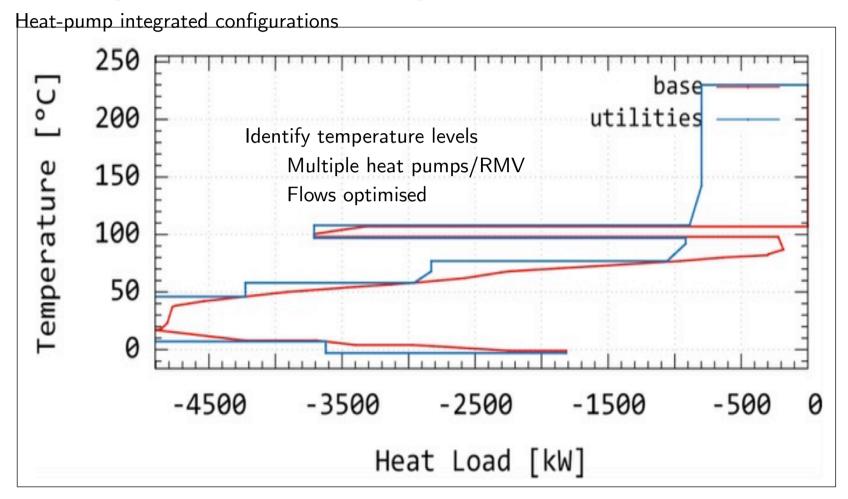


#### **EPFL** Miss placed heat pumps: above or below the pinch





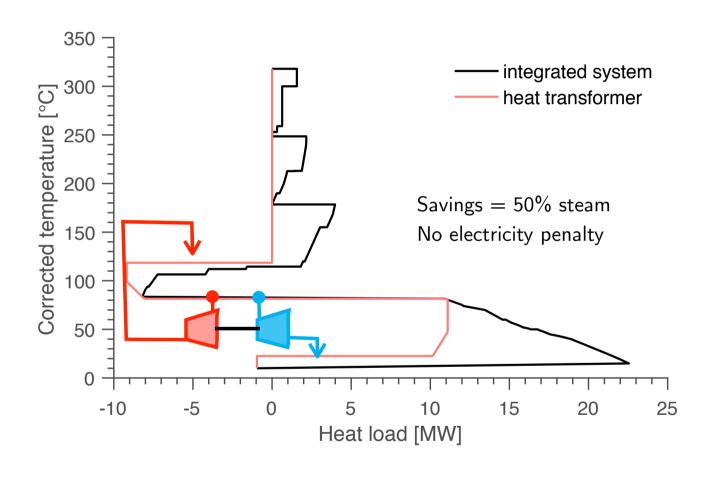
#### Multi stage heat pump integration





Wallerand, A. S., Kermani, M., Kantor, I., & Maréchal, F. (2018). Optimal heat pump integration in industrial processes. *Applied Energy*, *219*, 68-92.

#### **EPFL** Heat pumps and waste heat valorisation



#### Heat pump + ORC

- Superstructure
- Fluids
- Turbines
- Optimisation

Kermani et al., Applied Energy, 2019

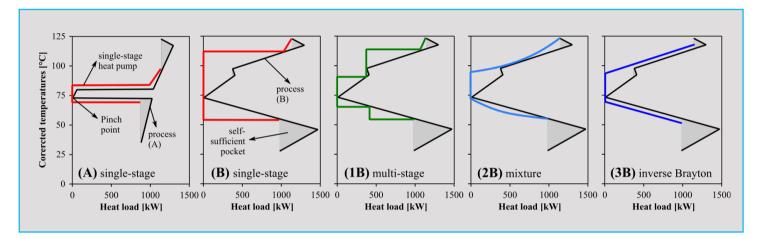


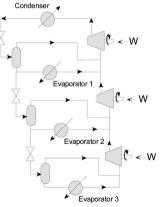


#### Heat pump integration: problem statement

A.S. Wallerand 2018. EPFL Thesis

- Heat pump type?
- •Working fluid ?
- Operating conditions ?
- •Multi-stage compression / expansion ?
- Subcooling/preheating?
- •Flash drums?
- Compressor types ?





All adapted from: Del Nogal et al. (2008)



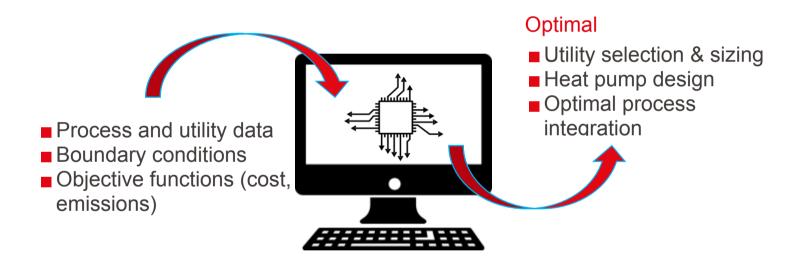


### Systematic approach: superstructure optimisation

[1] Wallerand et al. 2018

[2] A.S. Wallerand. EPFL Thesis, Lausanne

#### Computer aided process engineering



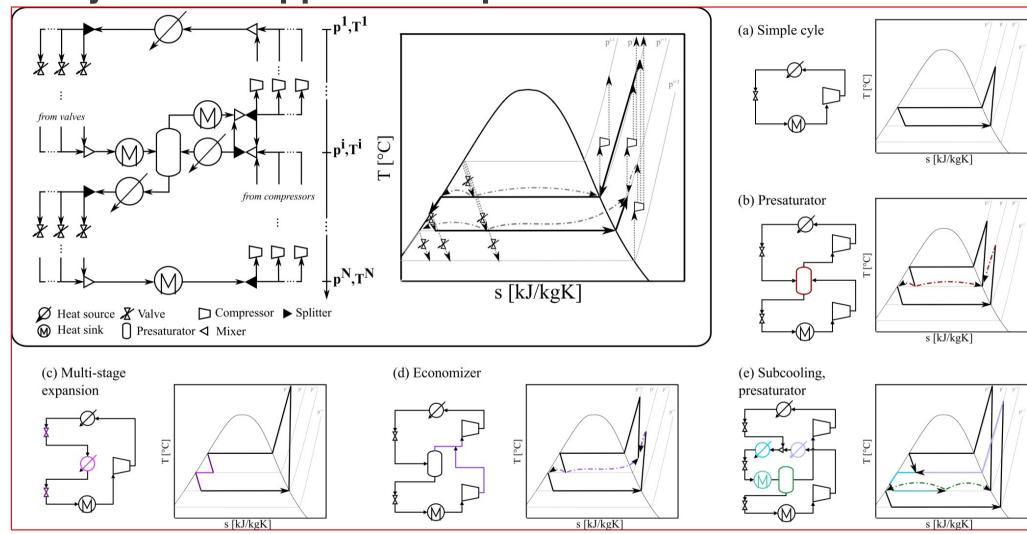




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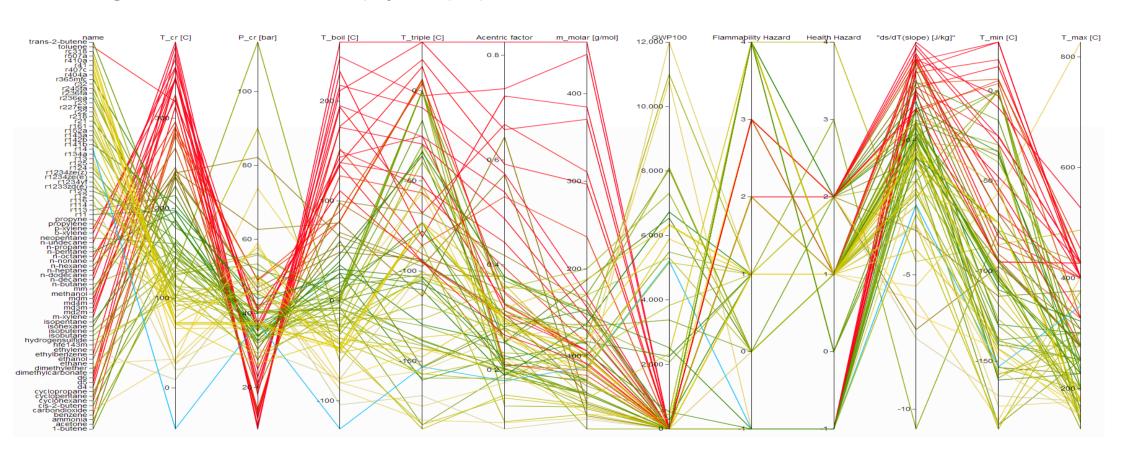
## Systematic approach: superstructure model





## **EPFL** Fluid data base

#### working fluids and their thermo-physical properties





#### Technology data base: compressors

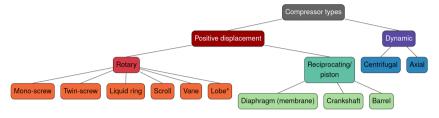
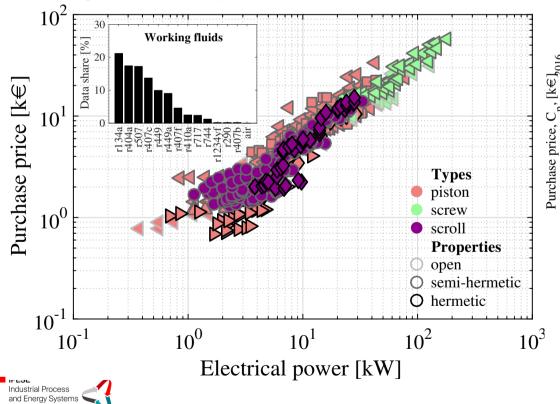
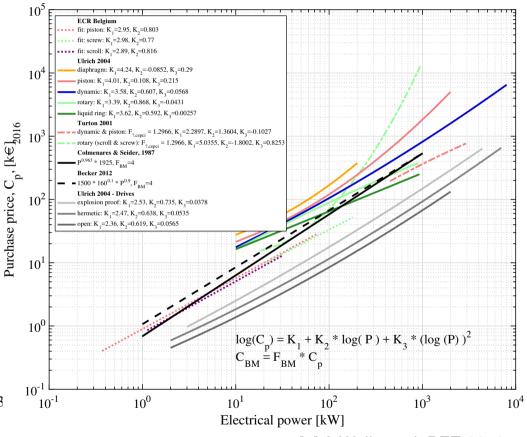


Figure 2: Tree diagram of compressor types, adapted from Wikipedia [8] with inspiration from Favrat [9]. Novel technologies are marked with asterisk (\*).



#### **Cost function review**



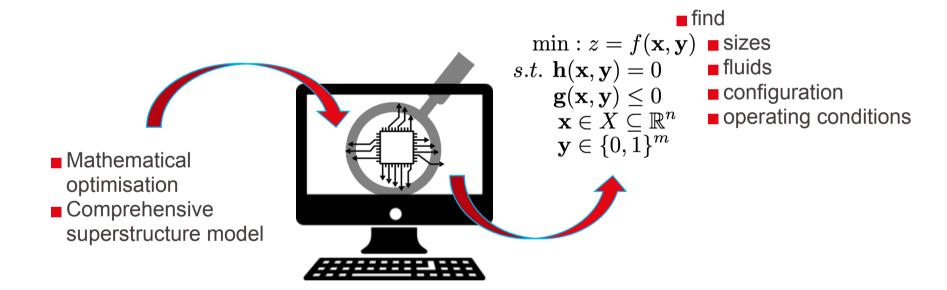
[1] A.Wallerand, BFE 2019 [2] Kantor et al., ECOS proceedings, 2018



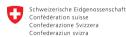
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#### **EPFL** Optimisation to select and calculate flows in the system

$$\min_{\substack{R_r,y_w,f_w,E^+,E^-\\\text{Fixed maintenance}}} (\sum_{w=1}^{n_w} C2_w f_w + C_{el^+}E^+ - C_{el^-}E^-) * t$$
 Operating cost 
$$\sum_{w=1}^{n_w} C1_w y_w + \sum_{w=1}^{n_w} (CI1_w y_w + CI2_w f_w)$$
 Investment

Subject to: Heat cascade constraints

$$\sum_{w=1}^{n_w} f_w q_{w,r} + \sum_{s=1}^{n_s} Q_{s,r} + R_{r+1} - R_r = 0 \qquad \forall r = 1, ..., n_r$$

**Feasibility** 

$$R_r \ge 0$$

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  $\forall r = 1, ..., n_r; R_{n_{r+1}} = 0; R_1 = 0$   $E^+ \ge 0; E^- \ge 0$ 

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Electricity consumption

$$\sum_{w=1}^{n_w} f_w e_w + E^+ - E_c \ge 0$$

Electricity production

$$\sum_{w=1}^{n_w} f_w e_w + E^+ - E_c \ge 0 \qquad \sum_{w=1}^{n_w} f_w e_w + E^+ - E_c - E^- = 0$$

**Energy conversion Technology selection** 

$$fmin_w y_w \leq f_w \leq fmax_w y_w$$

$$y_w \in \{0, 1\}$$

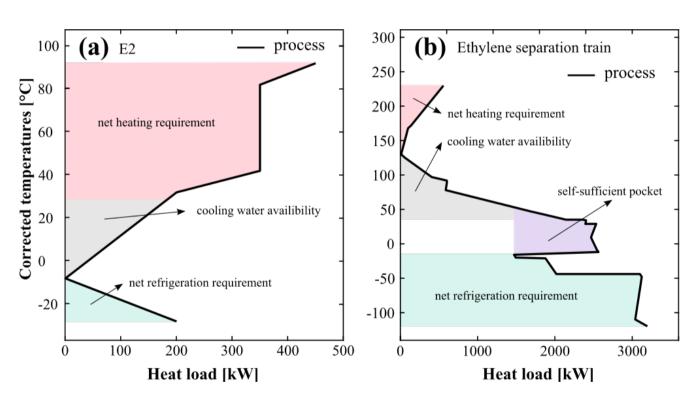


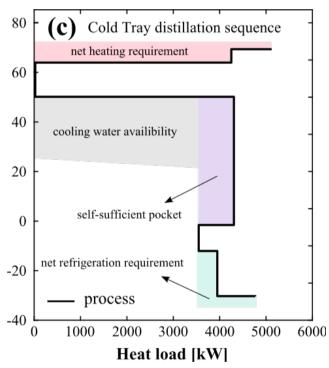


#### Systematic approach: validation

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# **EPFL** Systematic approach : validation

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- [3] Shelton and Grossmann 1986
- [4] Colmenares and Seider 1989
- [5] Colmenares and Seider 1987

#### Improvement vs state of the art

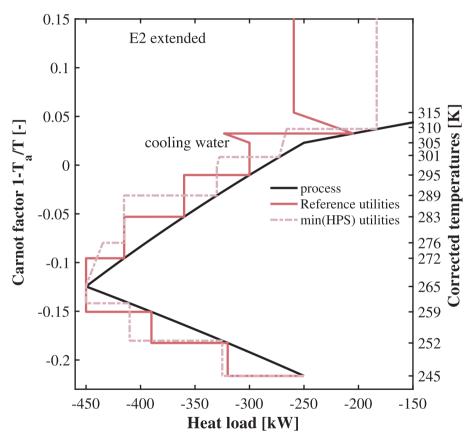
#### Literature comparison<sup>1,2</sup>

		<b>E2</b> [3]		Ethylene [4]		Cold Tray <sup>[5]</sup>	
		Reference	min(HPS)	Reference	min(HPS)	Reference	min(HPS)
Opex							
Cooling water	<b>\$/y</b>	0	0	25,020	23,150	29,930	4,810
Steam	\$/y	10,460	10,370	0	0	287,090	39,310
Electricity	\$/y	27,620	28,040	327,580	223,340	96,370	189,900
Capex							
No. of compressors	#	6	4	5	5	3	5
Compressors	\$/y	54,710	49,630	230,810	159,140	56,380	109,220
TAC	\$/y	92,790	88,050	583,410	405,630	469,770	343,230
Improvement	%	0	5.1%	0%	30.5%	0%	26.9%
COP <sub>refrigeration</sub>	-	4.4	4.3	1.8	2.6	5.3	5.8

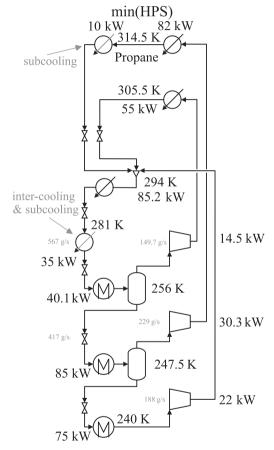


#### **EPFLA** multiple levels heat pumping system integration

CARNOT Integrated composite curves : the area between the two curves defines the exergy losses in the heat transfer



(a) Integrated composite curves of optimized and reference case.



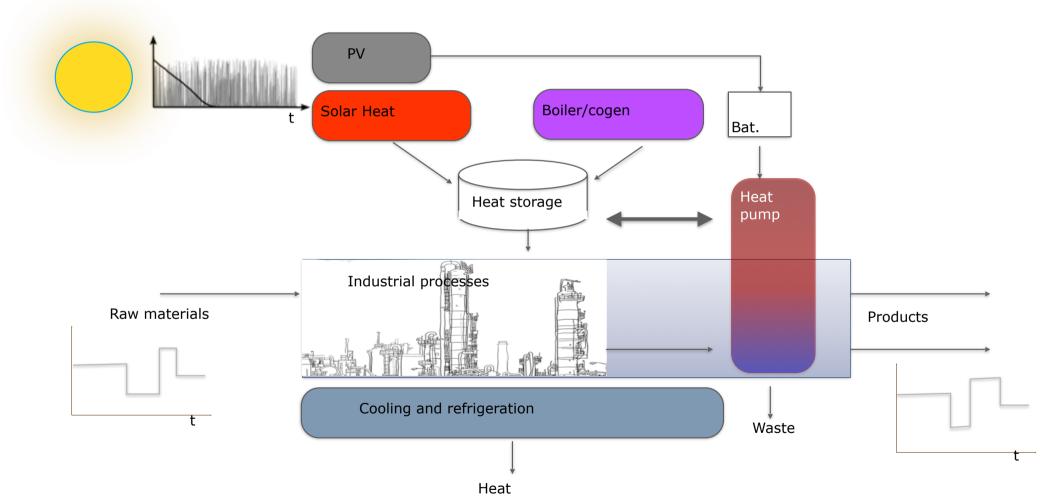
(b) Flowsheet of optimum case.



Fig. 15. Extended case *E2* minimum TAC solution.

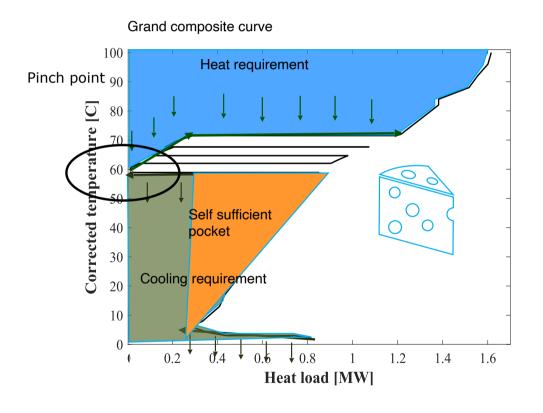
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#### **EPFL** Integrating renewable energy





#### **EPFL** Dairy process



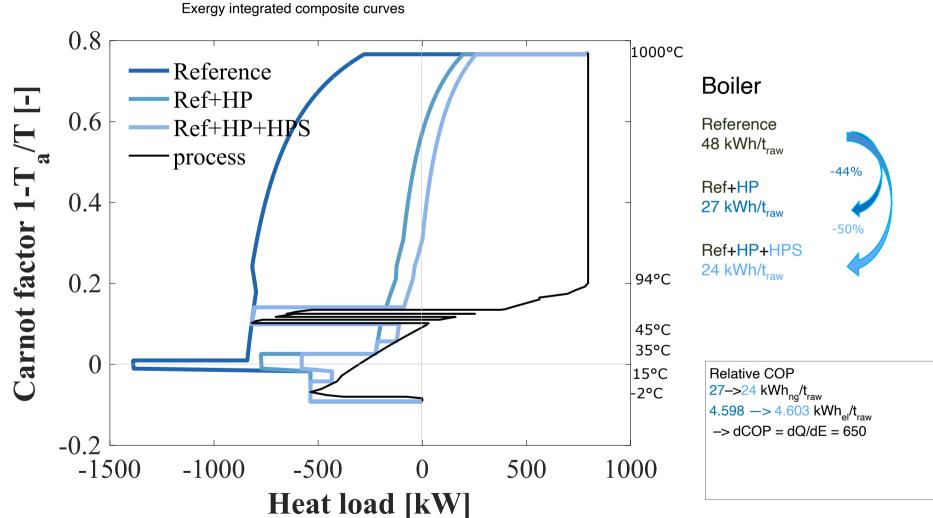






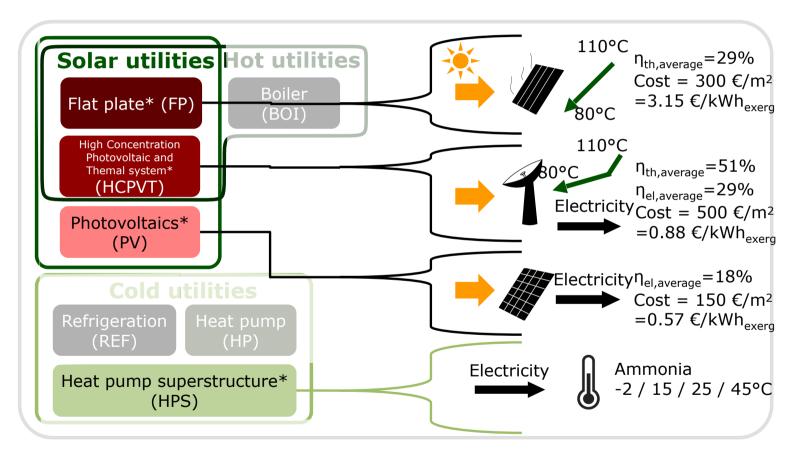


#### Dairy case study: heat pump integration





#### Case study: Solar energy and heat-pumps





(1) Tehnomont, Solarna Oprema Pula. SKT 100; (2) SunTech, HyPro, STP 290S-20; (3) Airlight Energy Holding SA

### Targeting problem: multi-period problem

$$\min_{R_{r}^{p}, y_{w}^{p}, u_{w}^{p}, y_{w}^{max}, u_{w}^{max}} \sum_{p=1}^{P} \left( \sum_{w=1}^{W} OP_{1,p}^{w} \cdot y_{p}^{w} + OP_{2,p}^{w} \cdot u_{p}^{w} \right) \cdot \Delta t_{p} \cdot occ_{p} + ann \cdot \sum_{w=1}^{W} IV_{1}^{w} \cdot y_{w}^{w,max} + IV_{2}^{w} \cdot u_{w}^{w,max}$$

$$p = \{1, 2, 3, ..., 240\}$$

subject to

heat cascade constraints:

$$\sum_{w=1}^{W} u_{p}^{w} \cdot Q_{p,r}^{w} + \sum_{s=1}^{S} Q_{s,r} \cdot L_{s,r} + R_{p,r+1} - R_{p,r} = 0 \quad \forall p \in P, r \in RT$$

thermodynamic feasibility:

$$R_{p,1} = 0, R_{p,N_{RT}+1} = 0, R_{p,r} \ge 0 \quad \forall r \in 1,...,N_{RT}+1, p \in P$$

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$$u^{w,\max} - u^w_p \geq 0 \quad \forall w \in W, p \in P \\ y^{w,\max} - y^w_p \geq 0 \quad \forall w \in W, p \in P \\ U^{w,\min} \cdot y^w_p \leq u^w_p \leq U^{w,\max} - u^{ws}_p = 0 \quad \forall w \in W, p \in P$$



#### Targeting problem: multi-period + storage problem

$$\min_{R_r^p, y_w^p, u_w^p, y_w^{\max}, u_w^{\max}} \sum_{p=1}^{P} \left( \sum_{w=1}^{W} OP_{1,p}^w \cdot y_p^w + OP_{2,p}^w \cdot u_p^w \right) \cdot \Delta t_p \cdot occ_p \\ + \operatorname{ann} \cdot \sum_{w=1}^{W} IV_1^w \cdot y^{w, \max} + IV_2^w \cdot u^{w, \max} \quad \begin{array}{l} u_p^w \in \mathfrak{c}^+ & \forall w \in W, p \in P \\ y_p^w \in \{0,1\} & \forall w \in W, p \in P \end{array} \right)$$

Units for heat integration

P={1,2,3...,240}

subject to

Storage model

$$M_{S,t} - M_{0,S} = \sum_{st=1}^{t} d_t \cdot \left( \dot{M}_{h,S,st} + \dot{M}_{h_{lost_{eq}},S,st} - \dot{M}_{c,S,st} \right)$$

$$S \in STO : S = 1, \forall t = 1, \dots T$$

$$M_{S,t} - M_{0,S} = \sum_{ts=1}^{t} d_{ts} \cdot \left( \dot{M}_{c,S-1,ts} + \dot{M}_{h,S,ts} + \dot{M}_{h_{lost_{eq}},S,ts} - \dot{M}_{c,S,ts} + \dot{M}_{h,S+1,ts} - \dot{M}_{h_{lost_{eq}},S-1,ts} \right)$$

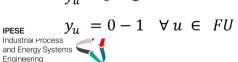
$$\forall S \in STO: S = 2, \dots N_S - 1, \forall t = 1, \dots T$$

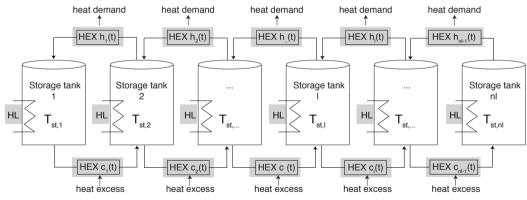
$$M_{S,t} - M_{0,S} = \sum_{ts=1}^{t} d_{ts} \cdot (\dot{M}_{c,S-1,ts} - \dot{M}_{h,S-1,ts} - \dot{M}_{h_{lost},S-1,ts})$$

$$\forall S \in STO, S = N_S, \forall t = 1, \dots T$$

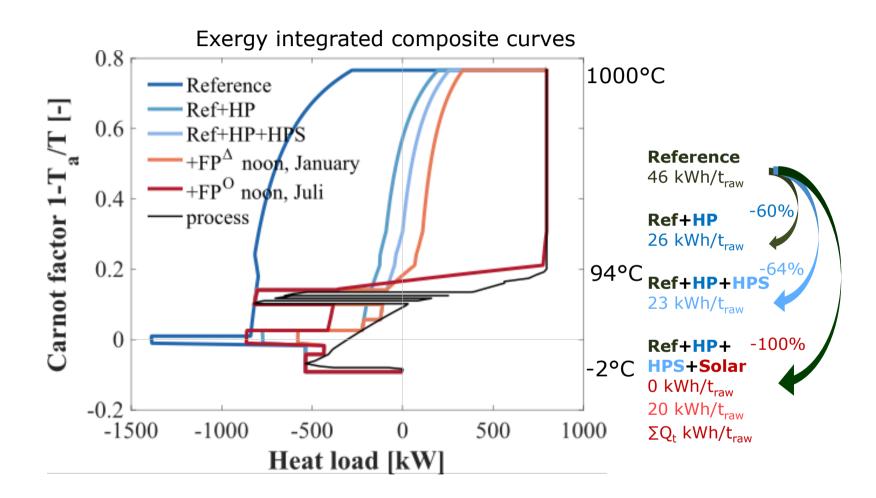
$$y_u^t = 0 - 1$$

$$u = 0 - 1 \quad \forall u \in FU$$



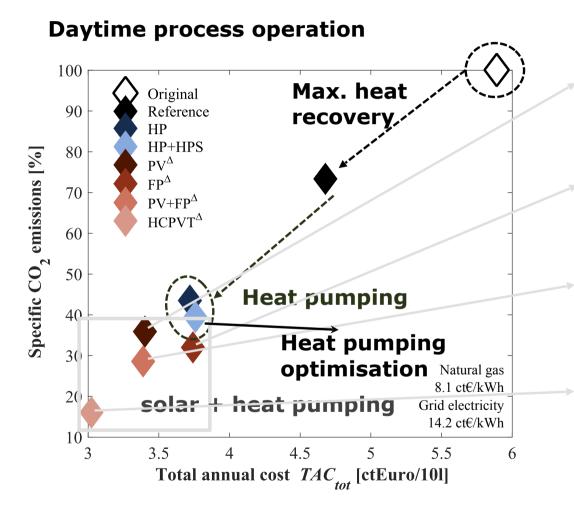


#### **Integrating solar heat**





#### **Comparison of the different solutions**



Photovolatic Electricity (150€/m²) 2'245m² → 2.38m²/10t

Flat plate thermal Heat (300€/m²) 1'369m² →1.45 m²/10t

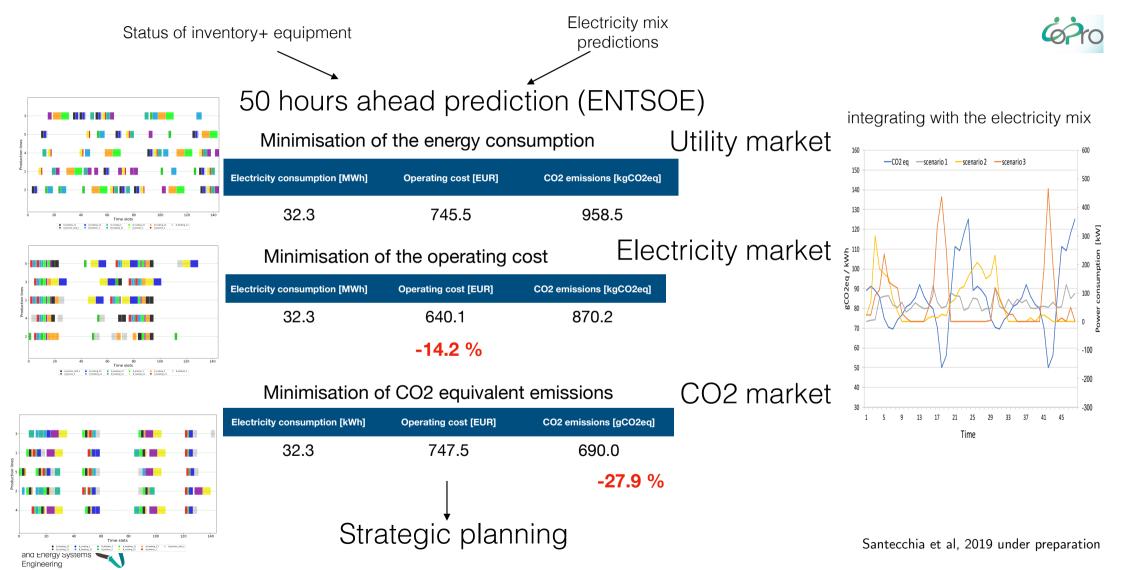
Plate plate + PV
Hybrid
Low efficiency

**HCPVT Hybrid** (500€/m²)
High efficiency
1'988m²→ 2.10m²/10t





#### Connected to the grid: optimal predictive strategic operation





#### **Conclusions: industrial heat pump integration**

- Process integration of industrial heat pumps
  - System pinch is the key
  - System boundaries
    - integrate waste treatment and urban integration
  - Heat pumps integrates with other utilities
    - cogeneration waste heat valorisation
  - Heat storage and optimal strategic operation
- Methods
  - System energetics analysis
  - Heat exchange interfaces
  - Grand composite => temperature levels
  - Super-structure => fluids + system configuration for temperature levels
  - Optimisation => selection and flows
  - Integrated composite curves => exergy losses



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