

Partial capture from refineries through utilization of existing site energy systems

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Preem CCS – CLIMIT Demo project



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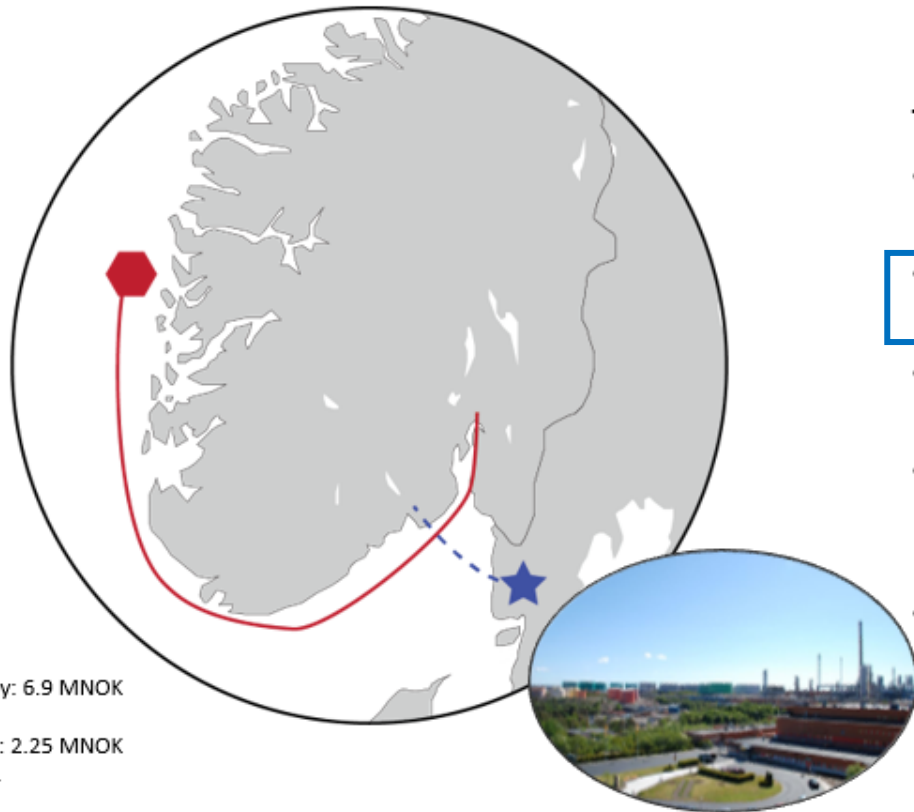
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Swedish Energy Agency



Budget: 28 MNOK

- Gassnova: 9.5 MNOK
 - Swedish Energy Agency: 6.9 MNOK
 - Preem: 8.9 MNOK
 - In-kind from partners: 2.25 MNOK
- Project period: 2019-2021

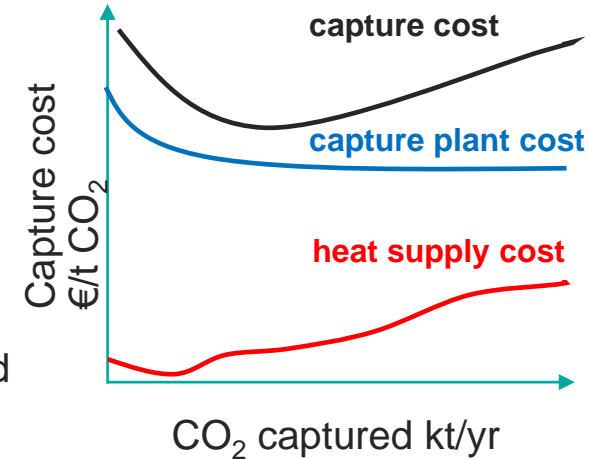
The project activities will focus on:

- On-site demonstration of CO₂ capture from H₂ production unit
- Excess heat utilization with compact heat exchanger design
- Value chain analysis and integration into the Norwegian full-scale CCS project
- Identifying actions to overcome regulatory barriers for transborder ship transport and storage of CO₂
- Establish a roadmap for CO₂ emission reduction pathways at Preem in the context of Swedish national targets (net zero-carbon emissions in 2045)

What I will talk about today

Aim:

- Identify & quantify the mix of available heat sources for CCS that give lowest total cost (incl. CAPEX) or lowest external energy consumption, considering:
 - Existing site energy system
 - Variations of available residual heat over time
 - Within context of the energy system
- Evaluate how cost and emissions of heat supply for CCS vary with the amount of CO₂ captured at the site (“partial vs full capture”) and determine their impact on capture cost



Key take aways:



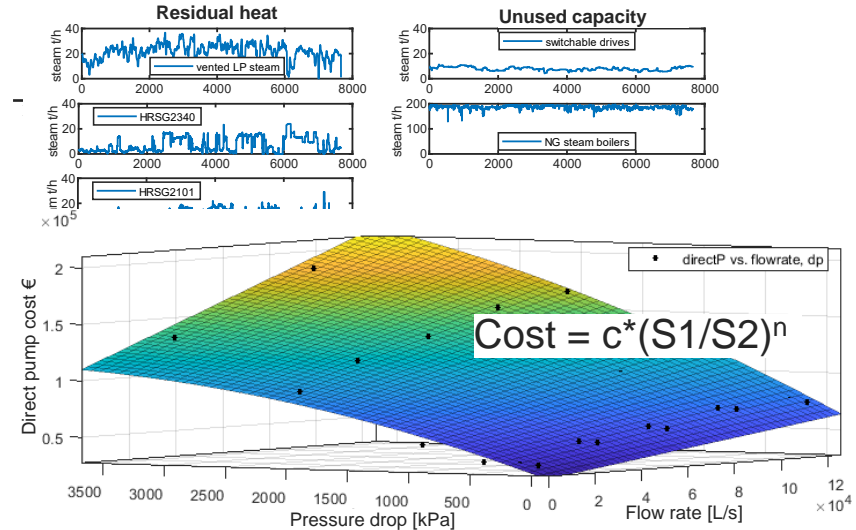
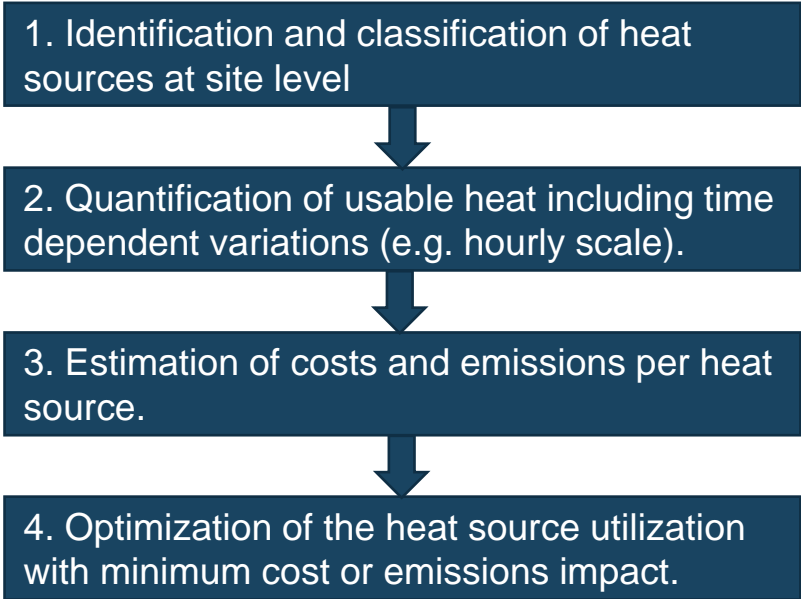
- Residual heat and unused capacity of existing site energy system are significant and can reduce capture cost by up to 50%.
- Variations in heat supply are important and need to be managed.
- Developed method: Heat supply cost curves can give input for planning a CO₂ reduction roadmap from partial capture to full capture at industrial sites

Method & assumptions

Method: Analysis of heat supply options for CCS at an industrial facility



Class of heat supply	Examples of heat supplying technology	Character
I. Residual heat	Vented steam;	Intermittent



Multi-period Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)
 → To include variations in availability

Objective: $\min_x TAC(x) = CAPEX_a(x) + OPEX(x)$.

$\left. \begin{matrix} CAPEX_a(x) \\ OPEX(x) \end{matrix} \right\}$ Linear model: $m * x + b * y$

Binary variable

Steps 2-4 are automated in a model called **Heat supply cost model (HSCM)**

Method: Identification & classification of heat sources

Class of heat supply	Examples of heat supplying technology	Character
I. Residual heat +/- investments may be required + no/little external energy	Vented steam; Heat recovery steam generators; Heat collection network (steam raising); option to include mech. vapor recompression (MVR);	Intermittent Intermittent ~Steady
II. Unused capacity + no investments required - Import of external energy	Switching comp./pump drive from steam turbine to power; Increase in load of existing gas-fired steam boilers	Variable; external energy Variable; external energy
III. New capacity - Investments required - Import of external energy	Installation of new steam boilers (natural gas, electric)	Variable; external energy

Method: Preem refinery Lysekil as case study

- CO₂ sources: 1.7 Mt CO₂/yr

	%CO ₂ dry	kt CO ₂ /yr
Hydrogen unit (SMR flue gas)	24	535
Combined stack 1	8	508
Combined stack 2	8	359
FCC stack	14	202
[minor stacks – neglected]	-	98

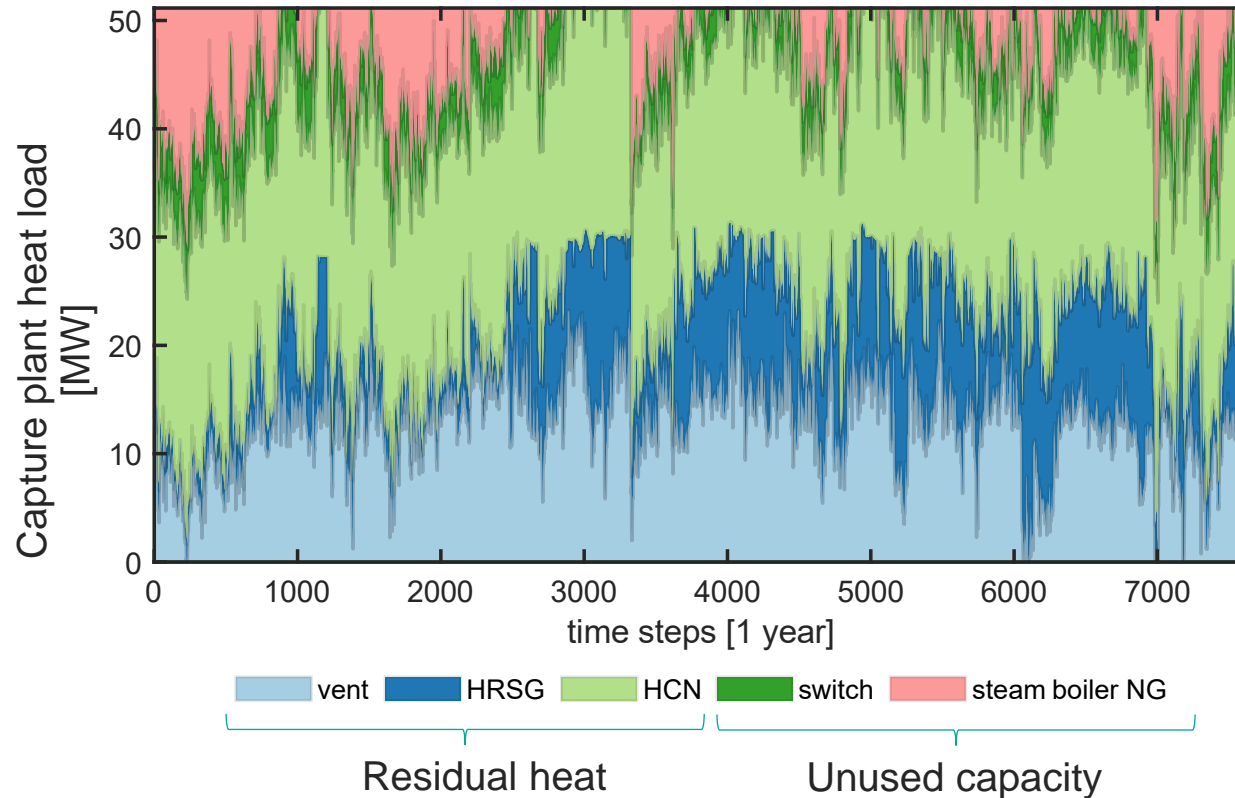
Main assumptions:

- 90% capture
- 131 C sat. steam (2.8 bara)
- Constant heat load supplied for 8500 hours/yr
- Swedish gas (41 €/MWh) & electricity prices (58 €/MWh) 2018
- Swedish electricity grid - 47 gCO₂/kWh
- European natural gas (GHG) - 65.9 gCO₂e/MJ (incl. distribution emissions)
- Lifetime 25 years, 8% discount rate, ...

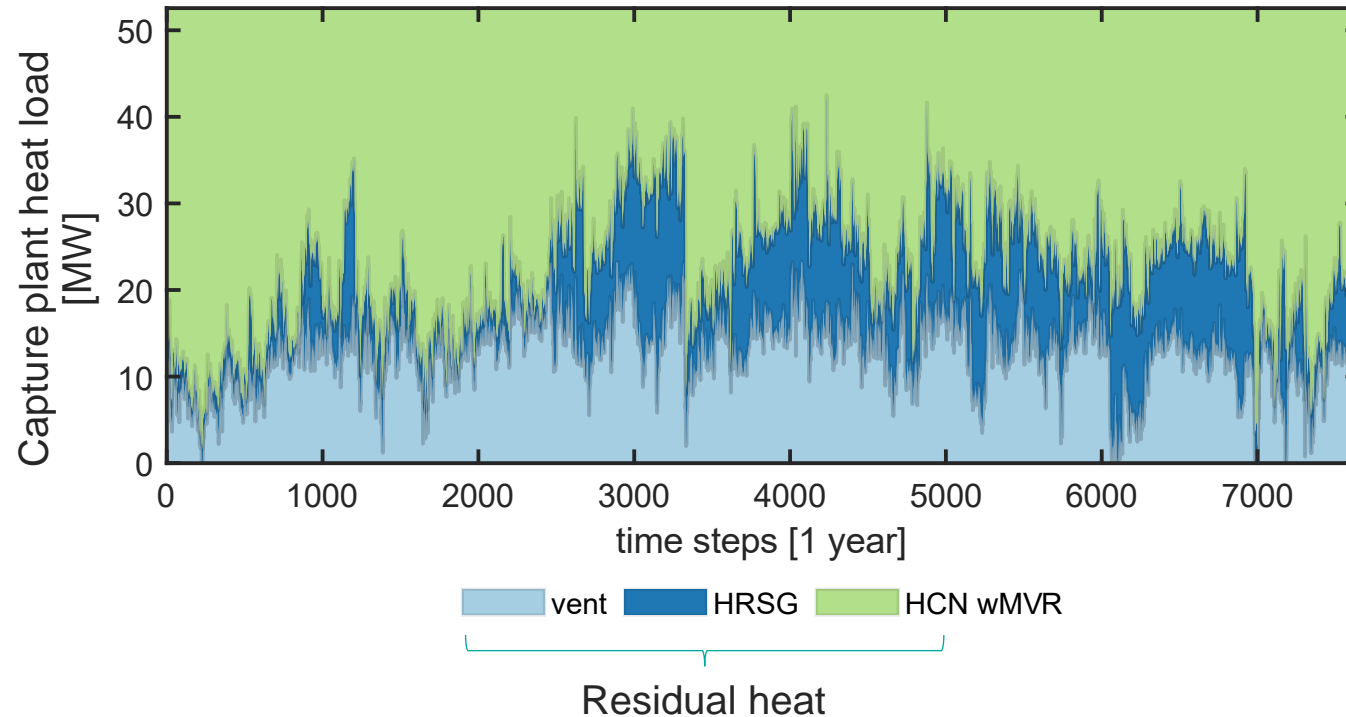
FINDINGS: Illustration of variations

**Example: 90% Capture from HPU flue gas
52 MW supply; 482 kt CO₂ captured
~ 28% of site emissions**

Objective function: minimizing annual heat supply cost



Objective function: minimizing external energy supply



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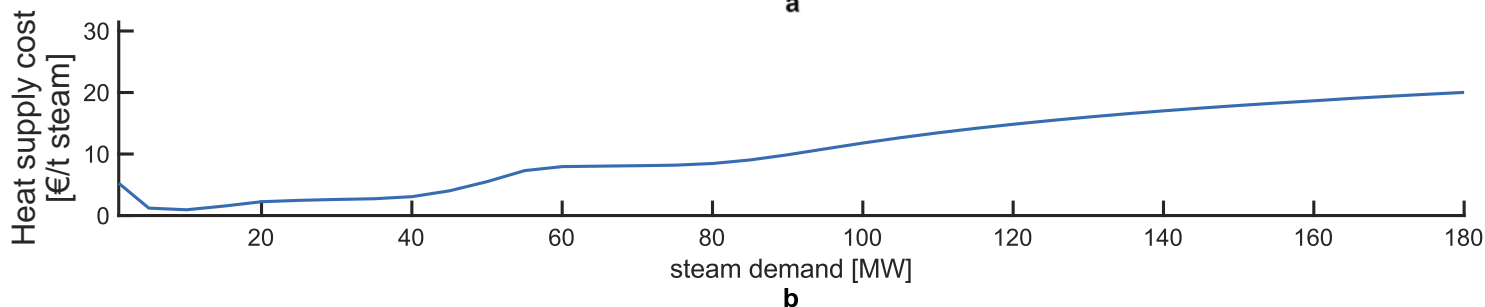
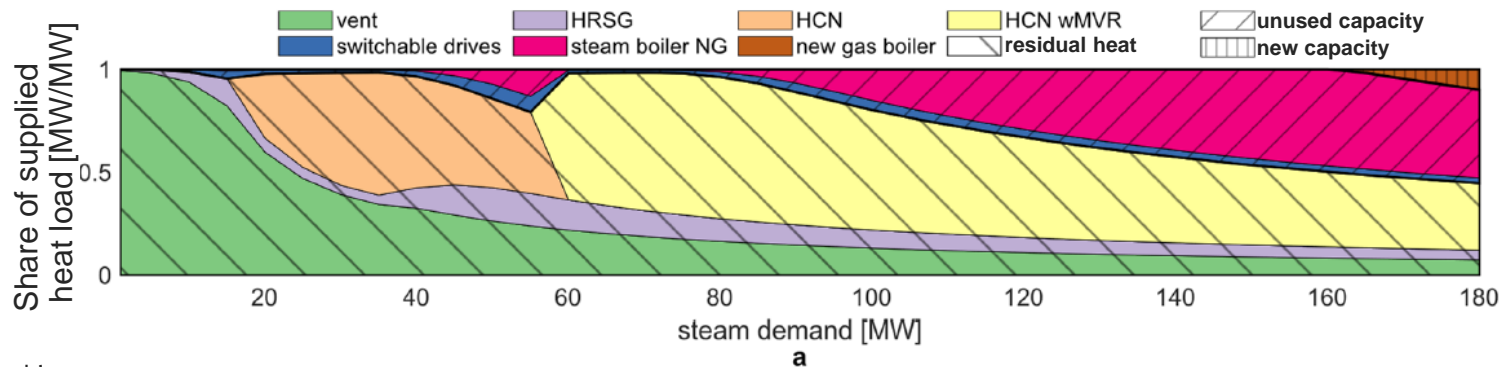
Heat supply cost curves – From partial to full capture

Heat supply cost curves



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Objective function: minimized heat supply cost



CO₂ source

HPU

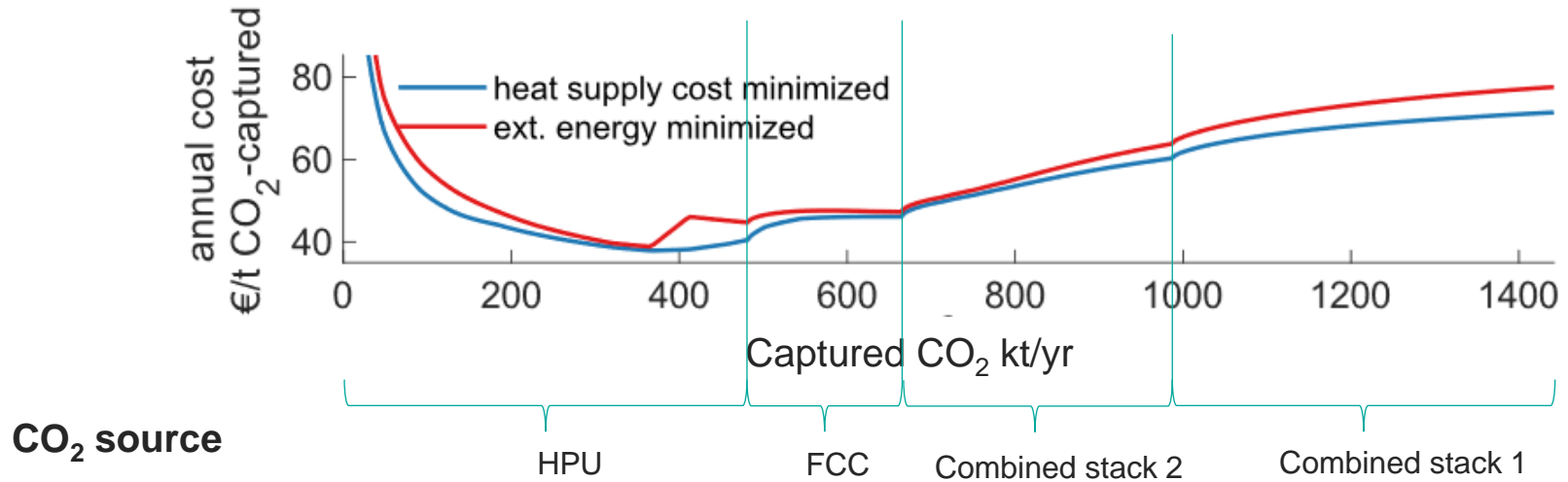
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Combined stack 2

Combined stack 1

Capture cost curves

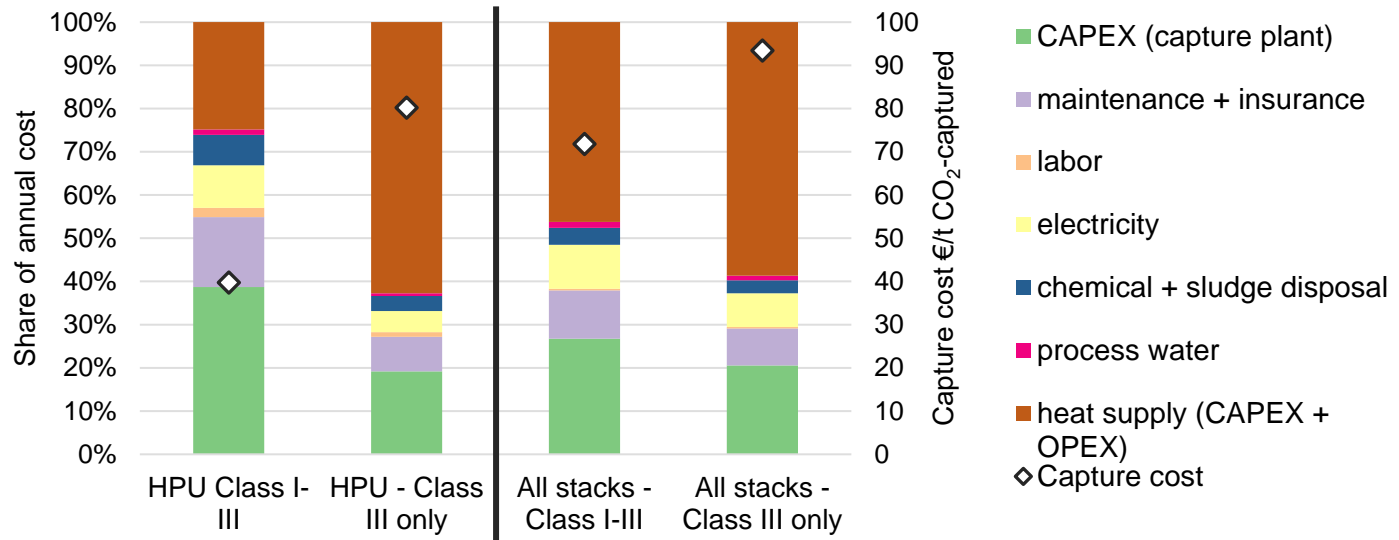
Capture cost = heat supply cost + capture plant cost*



*90% capture assumed
CAPEX + OPEX
30wt.% MEA

Heat supply cost and effect on capture cost*

Objective function: minimized heat supply cost



***Includes only capture cost and heat supply cost
CO₂ liquefaction, on-site storage,
transport and storage not included**

Take-aways

- Developed method: Heat supply cost curves can give input for planning a CO₂ reduction roadmap from partial capture to full capture at industrial sites.
- Variations in heat supply are important and need to be managed/accounted for.
- Residual heat and unused capacity of existing site energy system can potentially supply heat to capture ~78% of site emissions w/o new steam generating capacity (no new boilers installed).
- Compared to installing new capacity alone, the use of residual heat and unused capacity can potentially lead to capture cost savings of up to 50%.

Thank you for listening!

Related publications

Reduction of CCS cost in process industry with partial capture and excess-heat:

Normann et al. 2019. CO2stCap project report,
<https://research.chalmers.se/en/publication/512527>

Biermann 2020 *Partial carbon capture – an opportunity to decarbonize primary steelmaking*
Licentiate thesis, <https://research.chalmers.se/publication/509851>

Other GHGT-presentations from our group:

Tue – Session 4C - Sebastian Karlsson

CCS in the pulp and paper industry – implications on regional biomass supply in Sweden

Thu – Session 10D – Johanna Beiron

A case study of the potential for CCS in Swedish combined heat and power plants



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