

Future Power Plant Requirements

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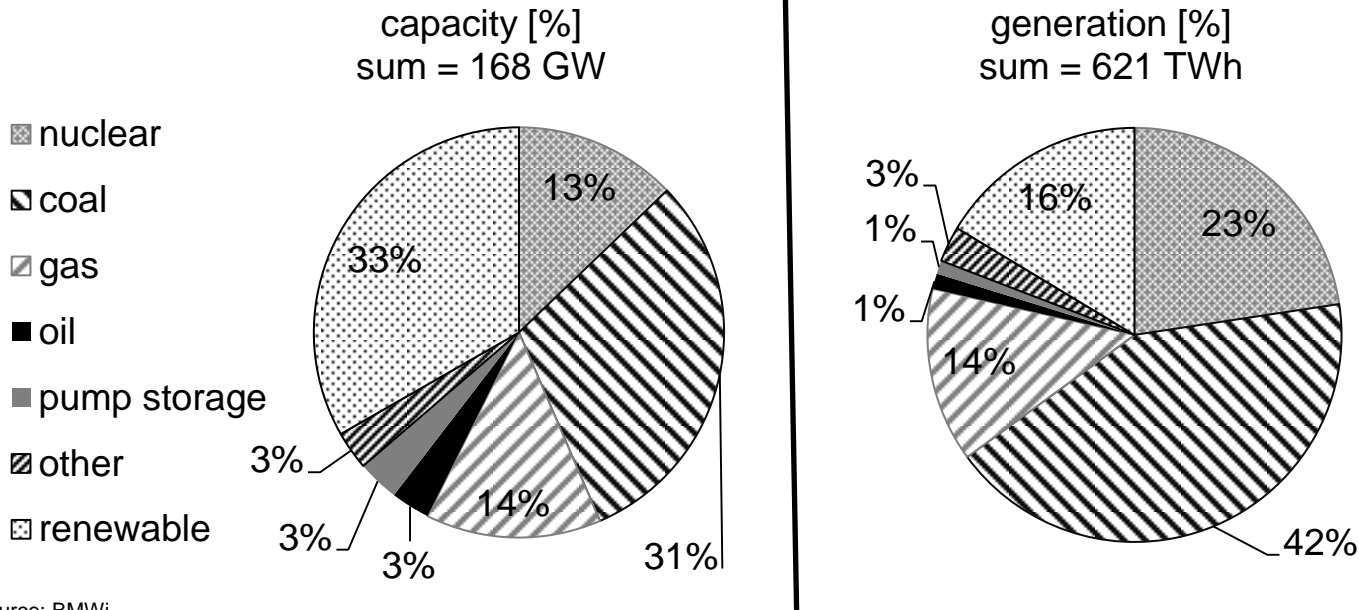
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Capacity and power generation in Germany 2010



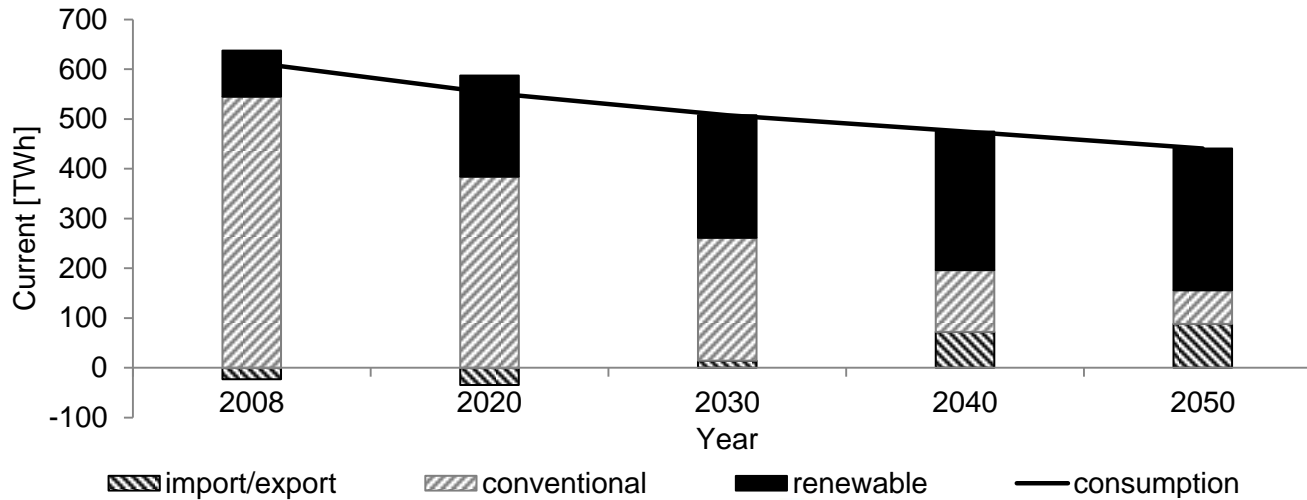
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Power plant characteristics:

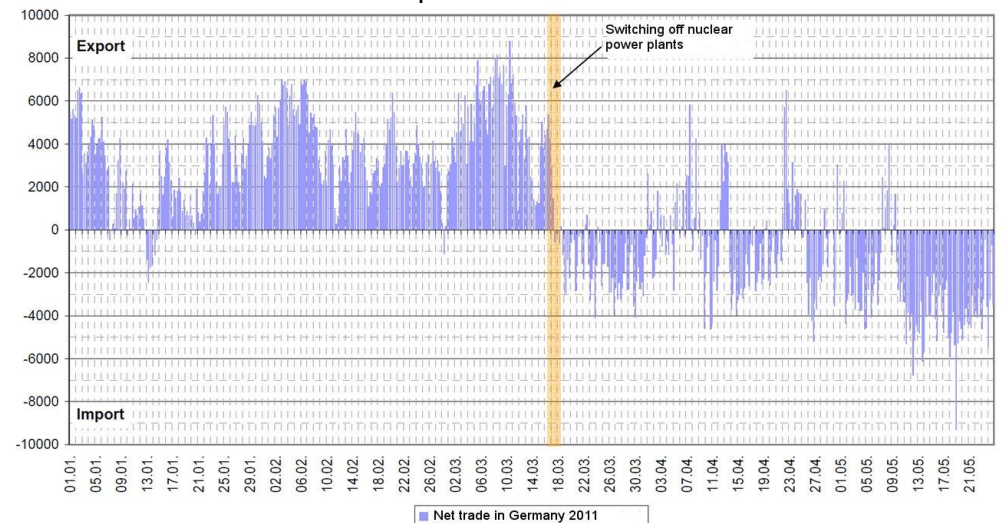
Full load hours (calculated) 3705 h/a

Utilisation: 42 %/a

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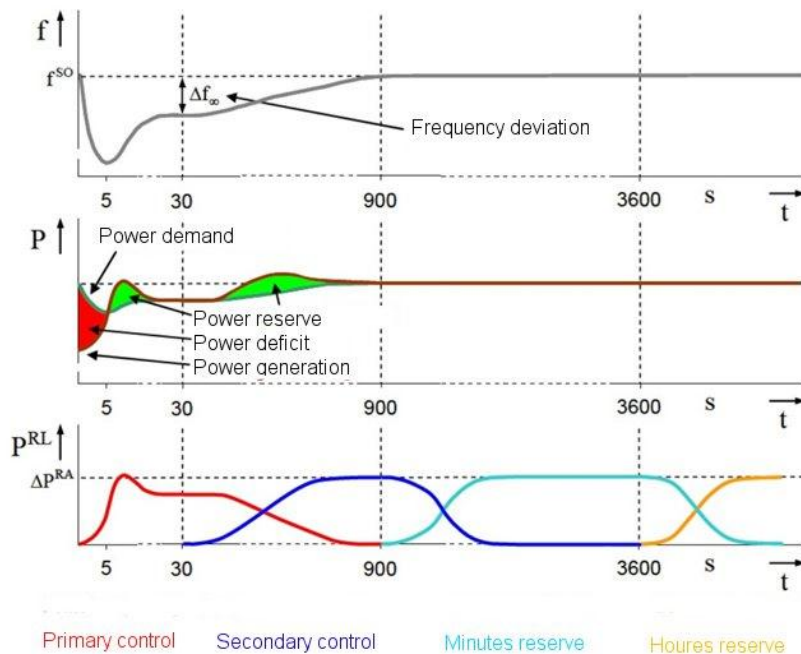
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Frequency stability

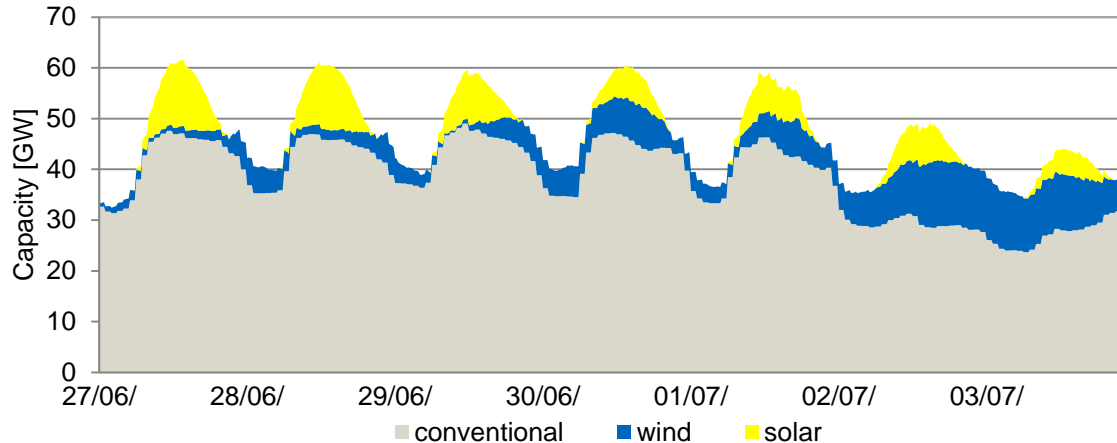


- 1) Power decrease
- 2) Frequency deviation
- 3) Primary controlling power
→ Stabilisation of frequency
- 4) Secondary controlling power
→ Reset the frequency to 50Hz

Source: Siemens

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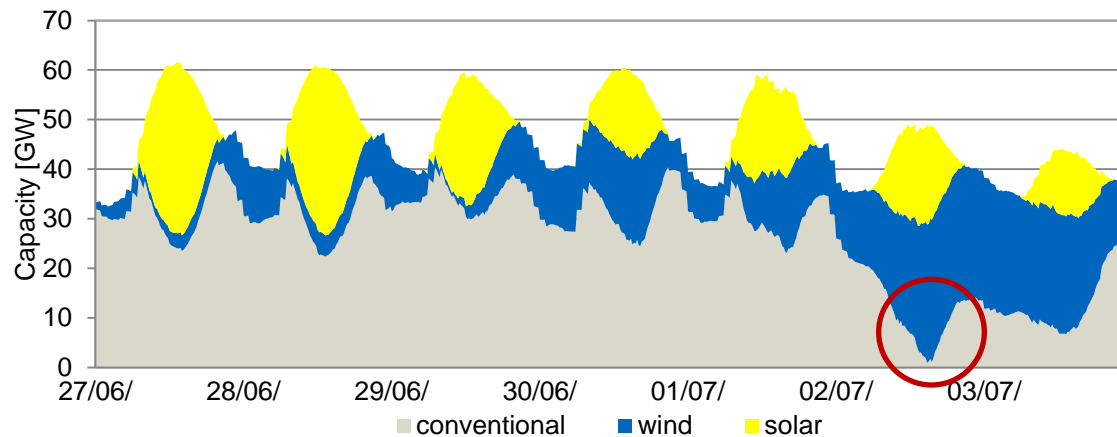
Development of the residual load until 2020



Summer week 2011
(top)

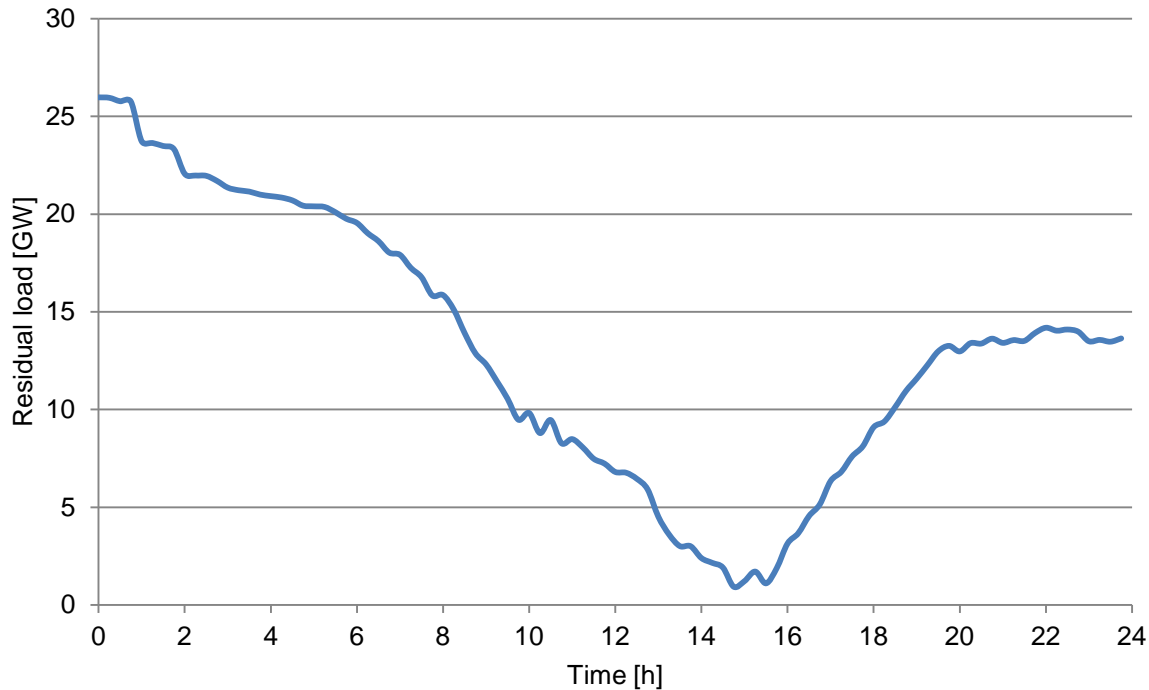
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Summer week 2020
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onshore wind: 27,2 GW → 33,3 GW
 offshore wind: 0 GW → 7,6 GW
 photovoltaic: 17,3 GW → 33,3 GW

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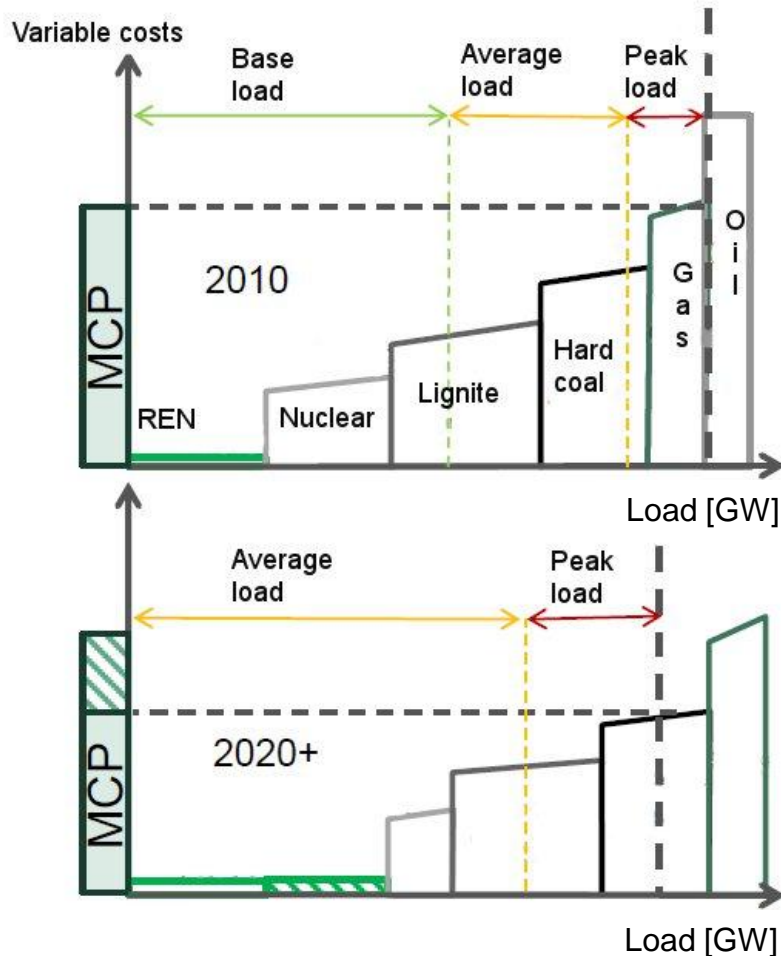


- Residual load decrease to 1 GW
 - Increase of 3,5 GW/h
 - Power plants at 30% load
- Reserves reached after 40 minutes

More capacities are needed after 40 min without accurate prediction!!

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Merit-Order-Effect:

- 1) Increase of renewables leads to lower market clearing price (MCP)
- 2) Load volume for conventional power is decreased
 → No more classic base load
 → Full load hours decrease

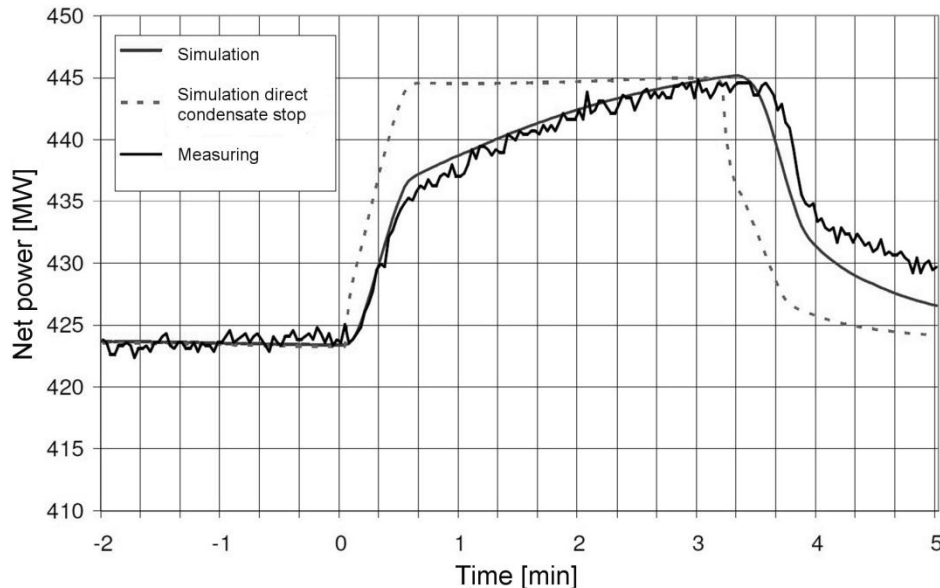
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	Nuclear	Coal	Gas-CCP	Gasturbine
Load change	4 – 5 %/min	2 – 6 %/min	4 – 9 %/min	15 %/min
During load	50 – 100 %	40 – 100 %	40 – 100 %	50 – 100 %
Primary control	60 %/min	>60 %/min	180 %/min	180 %/min
Minimum load	20 – 35 %	20 – 40 %	15 – 50 %	50 %
Minimum operating duration	24 h	3 – 5 h	1 h	15 min
Minimum down time	24 h	3 – 8 h	1 h	15 min
Hot start-up	60 – 120 min	80 – 150 min	30 – 60 min	A few min
Warm start-up	2 – 3 h	3 – 5 h	1 – 1,5 h	A few min
Cold start-up	15 – 20 h	5 – 10 h	2 – 3 h	Ca. 15 min

Source: Balling 2011 (Siemens); Steck und Mauch 2008

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Source: Zehner 2009

Condensate stop for primary control

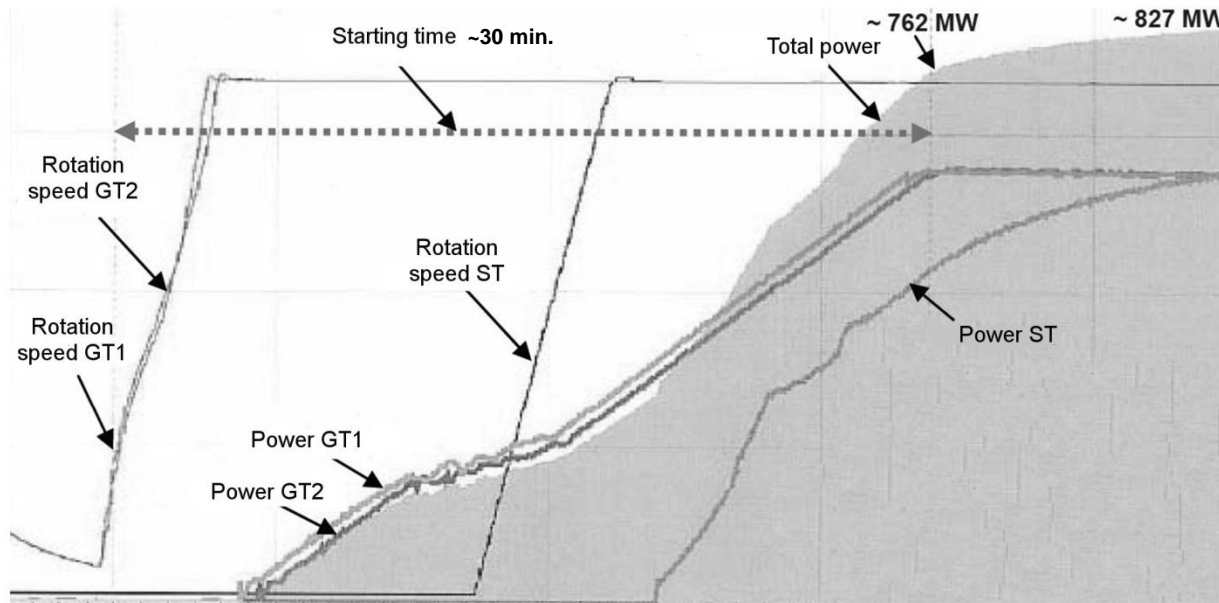
Indirect method:

- Choking condensate pump and / or condensate valves
- slower but no additional costs

Direct method:

- Additionally closing the bleeder valves
- Very quick but additional costs

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Source: Siemens (Irsching)

Advantages:

- Short start-up time
- Higher load change gradients

→ BENSON Once-through operation leads to higher flexibility

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KW 21 – BY5DE: Dynamic of the 700°C hard coal-fired power plant

- Higher electrical efficiency: Increase from 46 % to 50 %
- Higher pressures and temperatures: live steam parameters 365 bar / 705 °C
- New materials: Ni-base alloys instead of ferritic steels

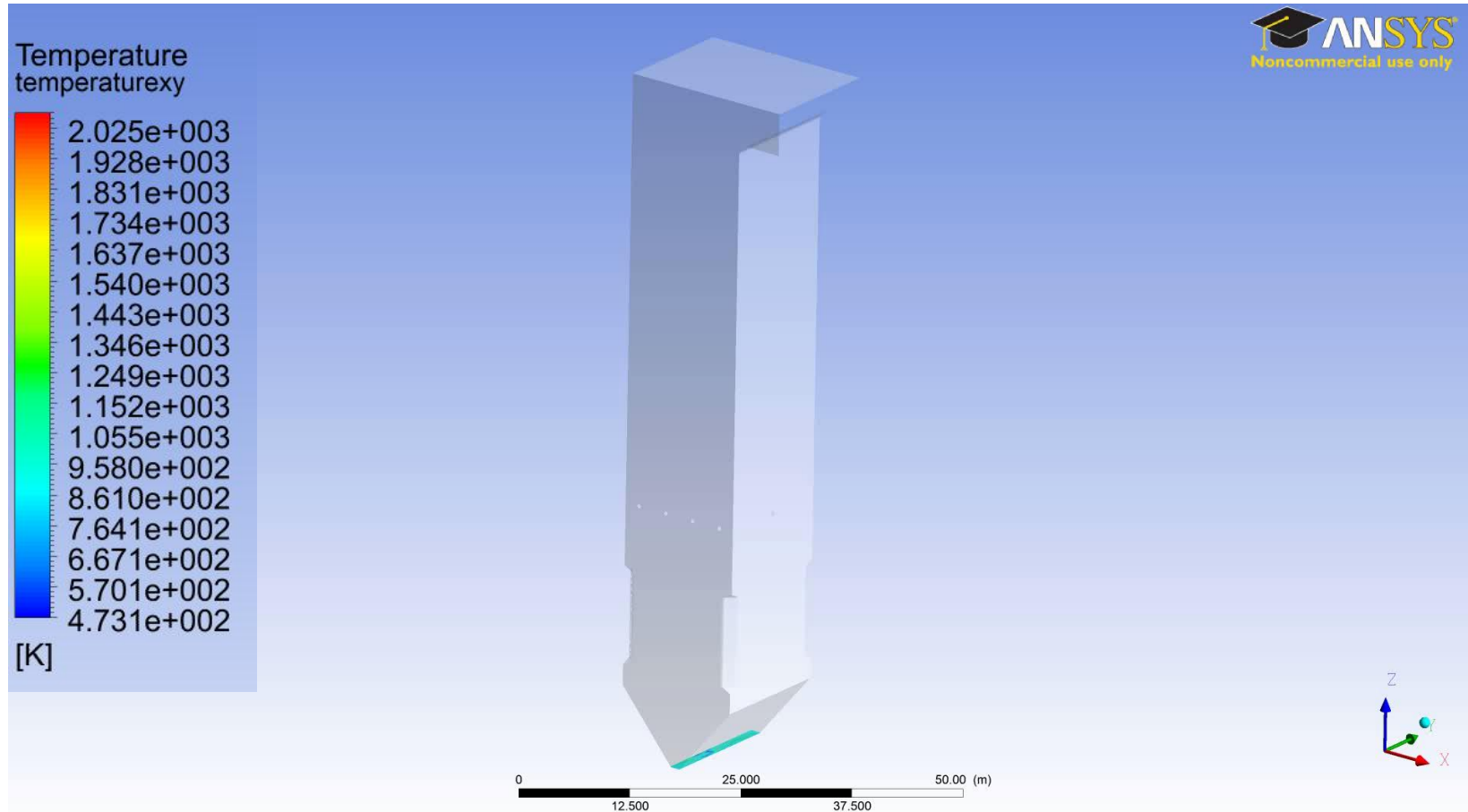
Focus on:

- Influence of flue gas imbalances and fouling
- Transient behaviour during load changes and start-ups
- Durability decrease of thick-walled components caused of start-ups

Project partners:

- E.ON Energy AG
- Alstom Power Systems
- Bayerisches Staatsministerium für Wissenschaft, Forschung und Kunst

5. Challenges in energy supply – Video: Temperatur as f(boiler height)



6. Conclusion

Conventional power generation still needed for frequency stabilisation!

- Storage technologies are going forward → takes time
- Electricity network expansion too slow

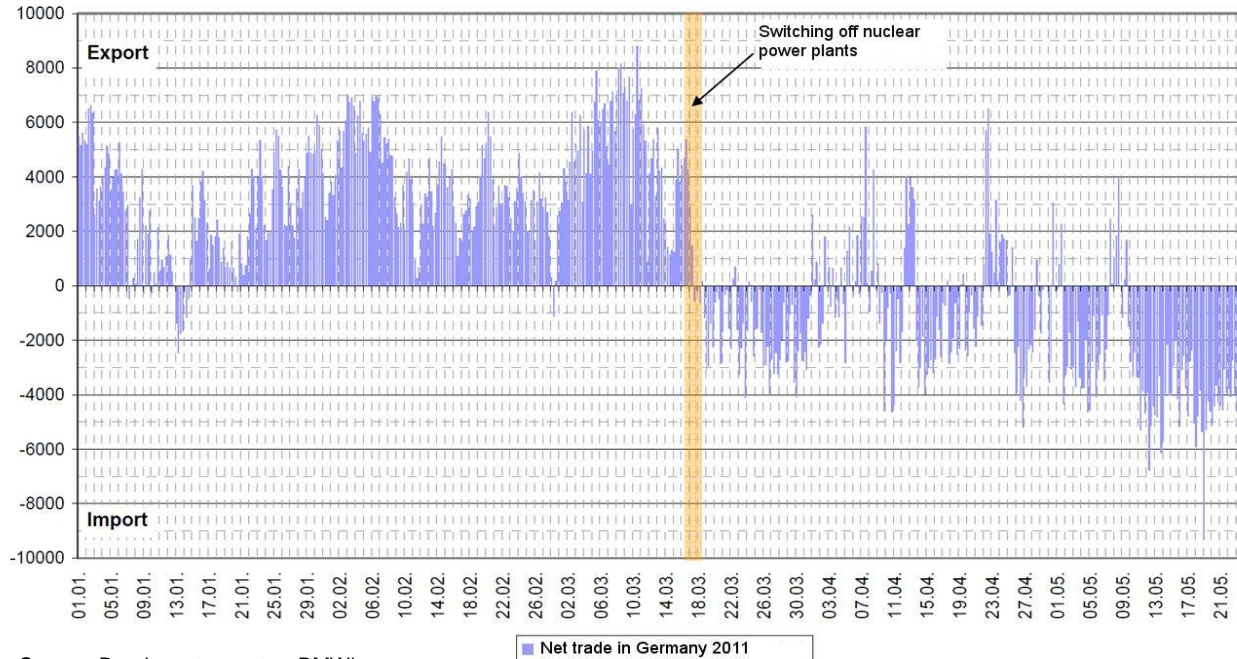
Electricity market problematic for the future:

- Capacity market would be one possibility
- CCPs only economical if the provided capacity is paid

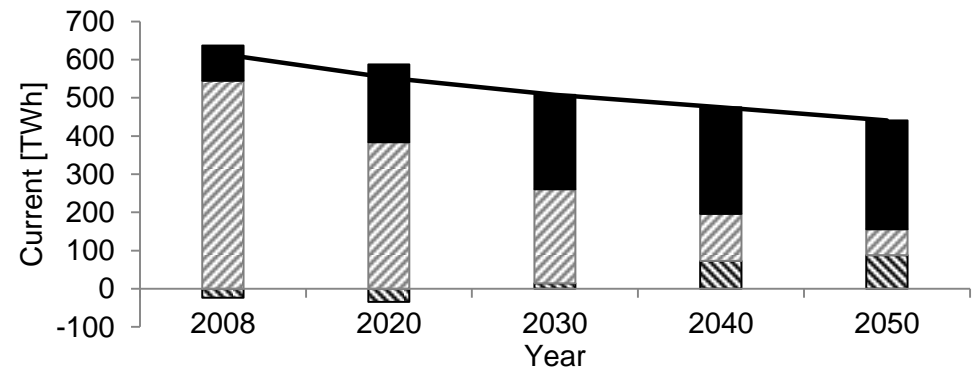
Dynamic and flexibility of conventional power plants has to be further improved to meet the necessary requirements for the future!

Backup

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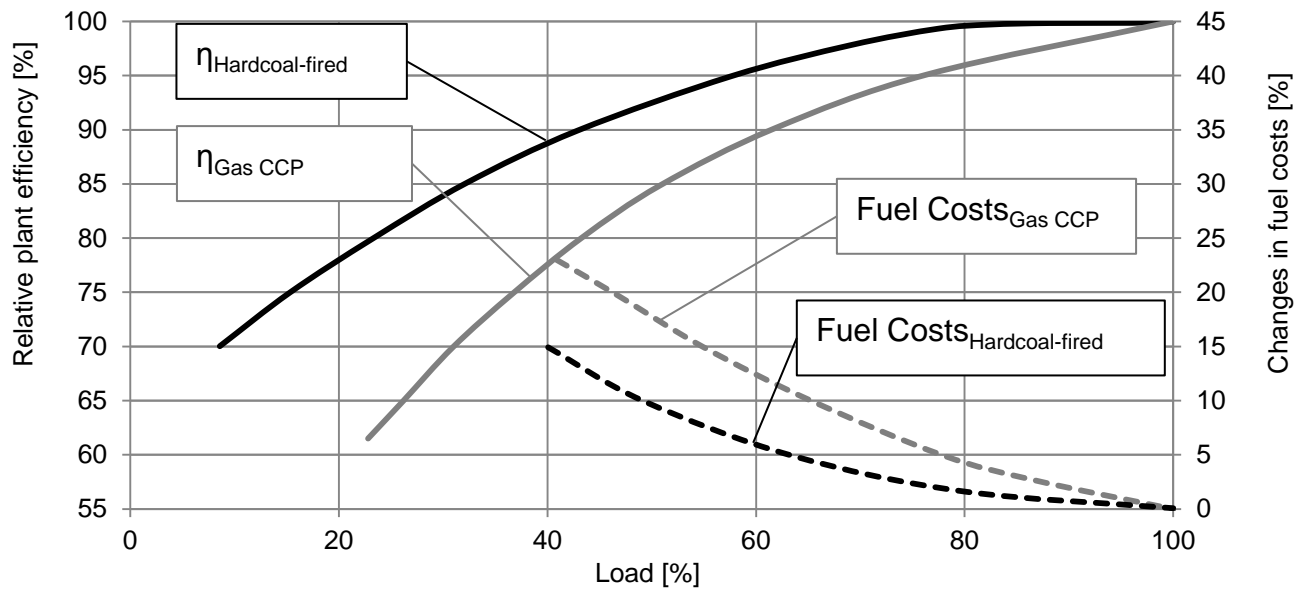
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▨ import/export ▩ conventional ■ renewable — consumption

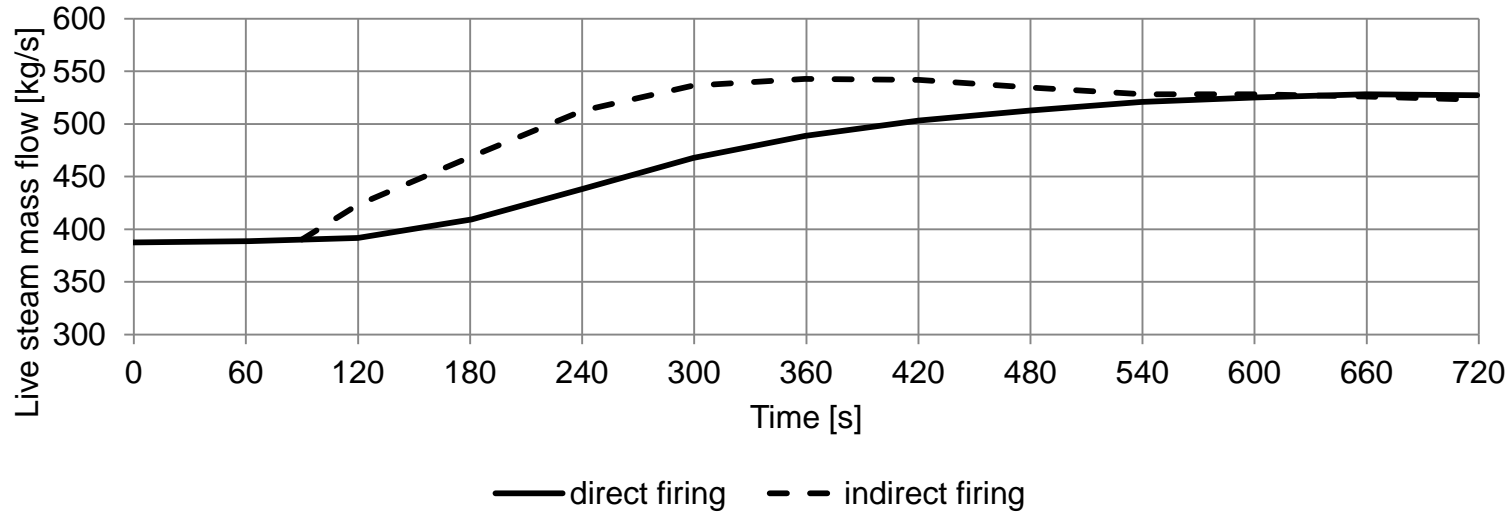
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Comparing the flexibility and costs of hardcoal-fired and combined cycle plants



Source: Jeschke 2011 (Hitachi Power)

4. Flexibility of conventional power plants



Source: Alstom Power

More flexibility through indirect firing
Feeding out of coal silos → mills inertia is omitted