

Efficiency Increase by Systematic Heat Pumping Integration in Industrial Processes

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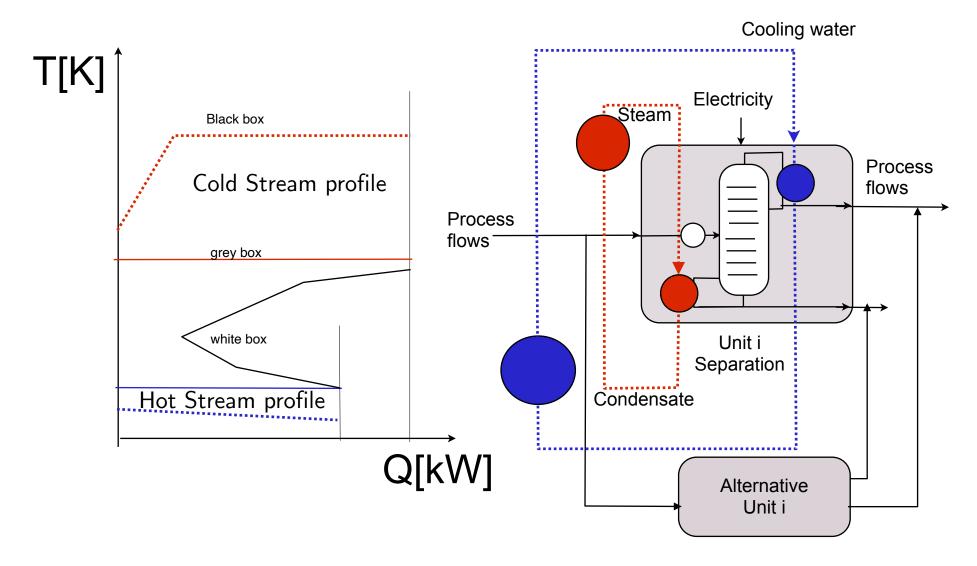
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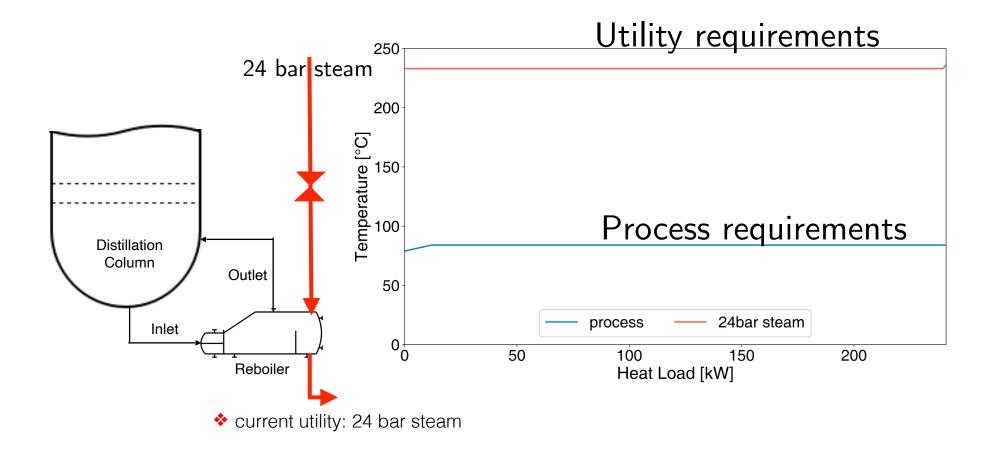
EPFL Unit Operation energetics: Heat transfer Interfaces

Same unit operation : different heating and cooling profiles



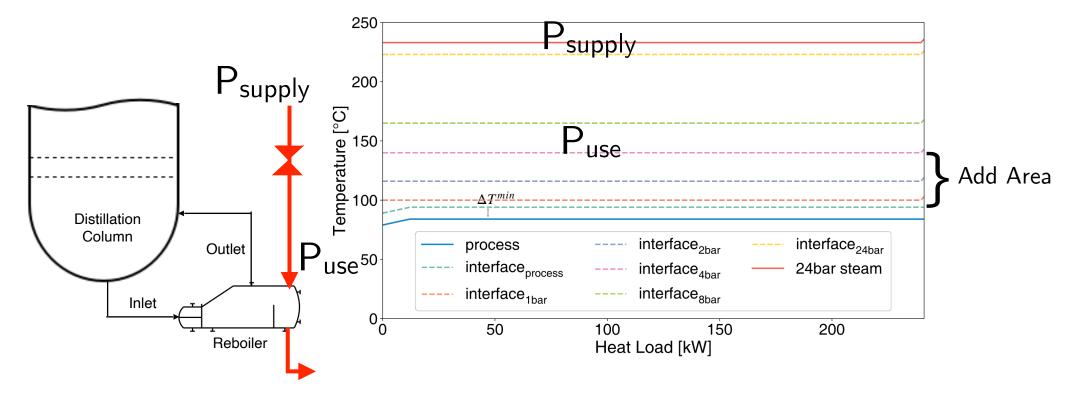


EPFL Heat exchanger transfer interfaces





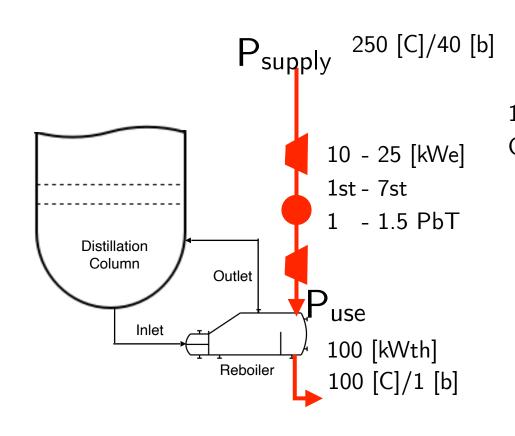
EPFL Analysing heat transfer interfaces



- 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_{supply}< P_{use}



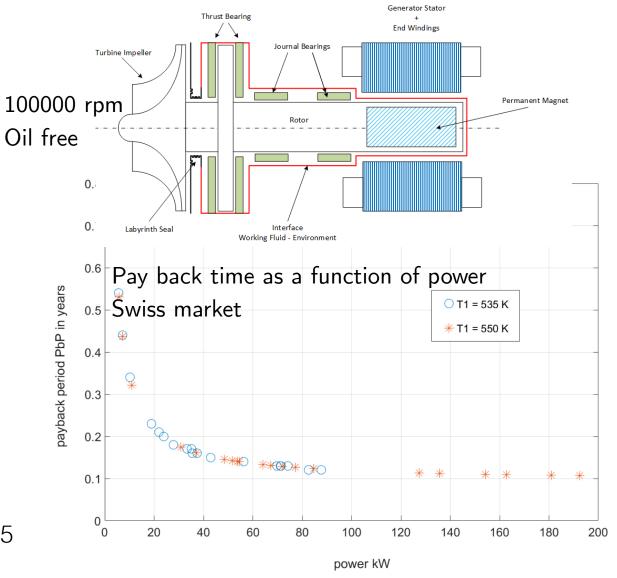
EPFL Replacing valves by Oil free Micro-Turbines



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

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Micro-turbine design



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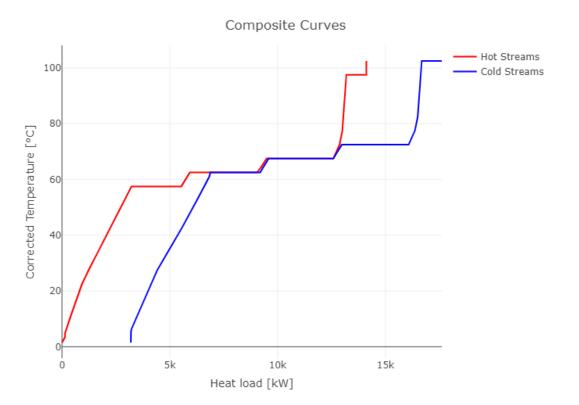


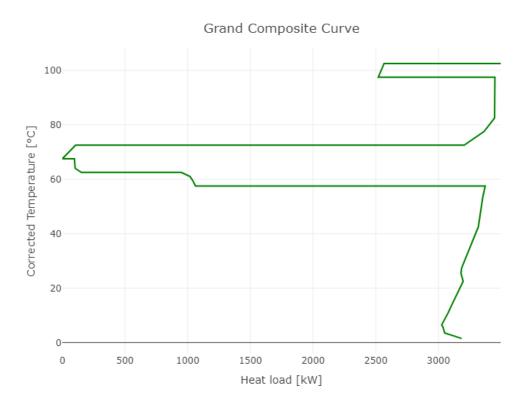
Add a MILP constraints

Choose one interface : $\sum_{i}^{n_{s_i}} y_i = 1$

Heat recovery and heat cascade

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





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.





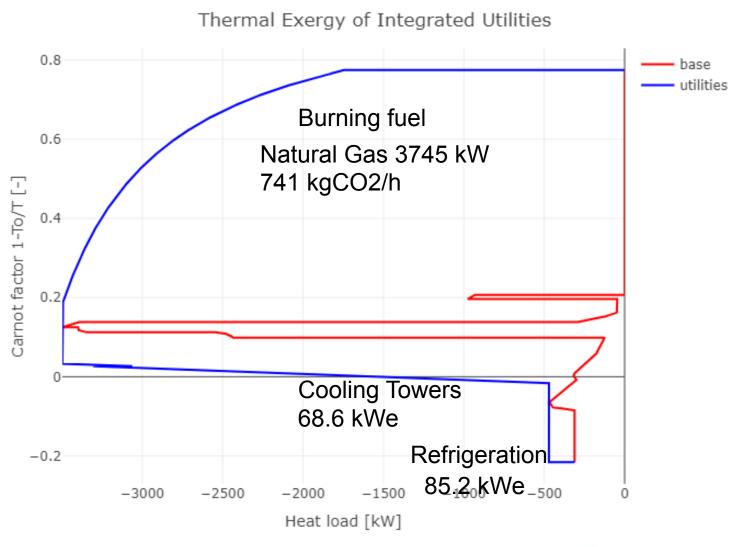








Closing the energy balance







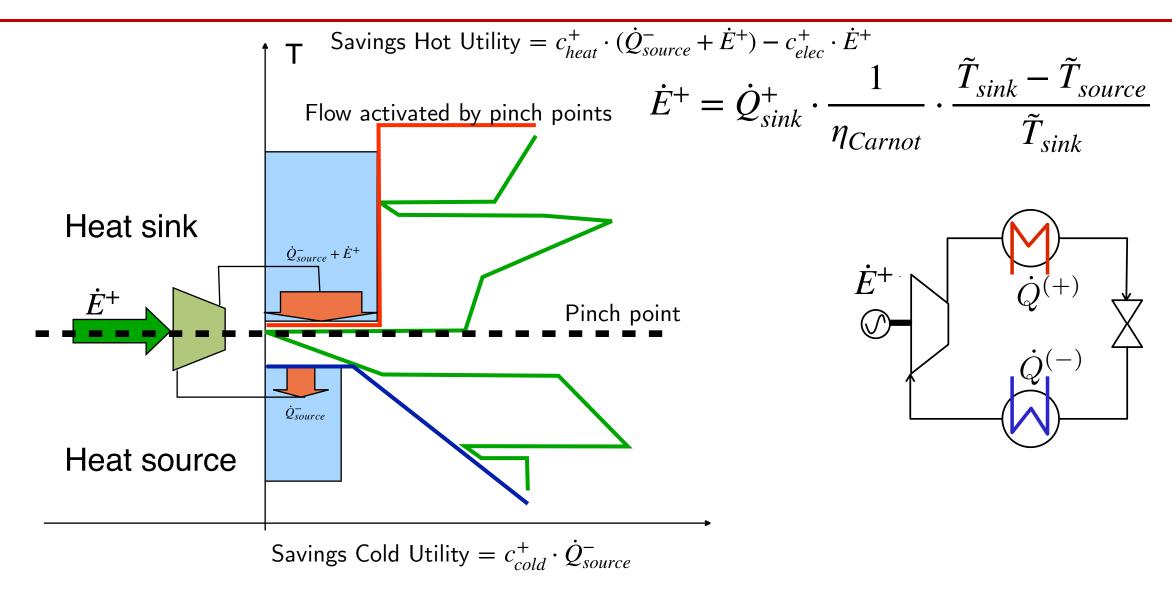








Integrating heat pumps from heat source to heat sink







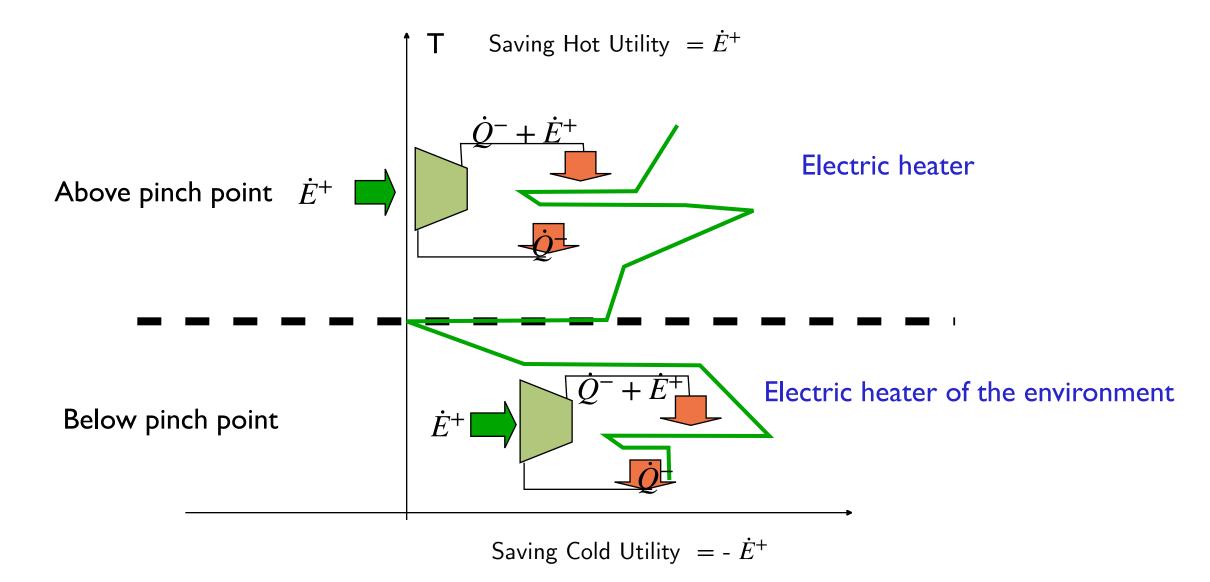








EPFL Miss placed heat pumps: above or below the pinch

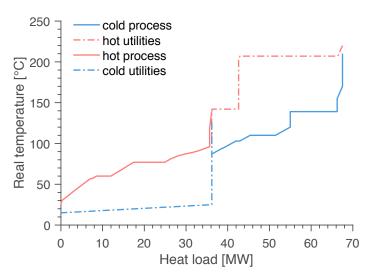




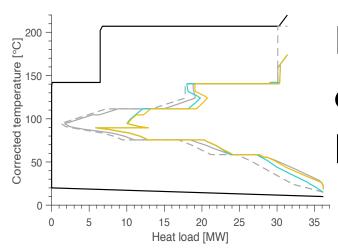


Heat recovery and heat pumping integration profiles

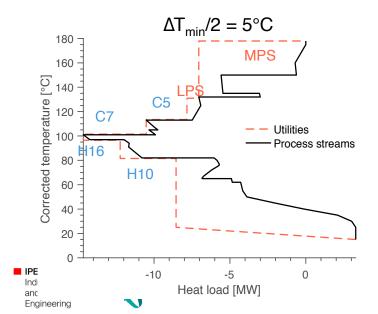


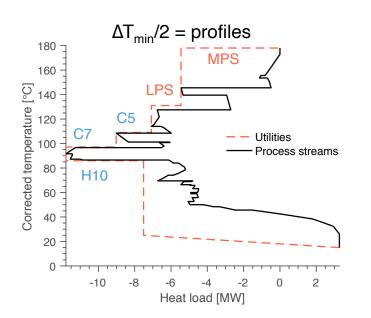


Heat cascade profile



Different interfaces creates different heat recovery levels

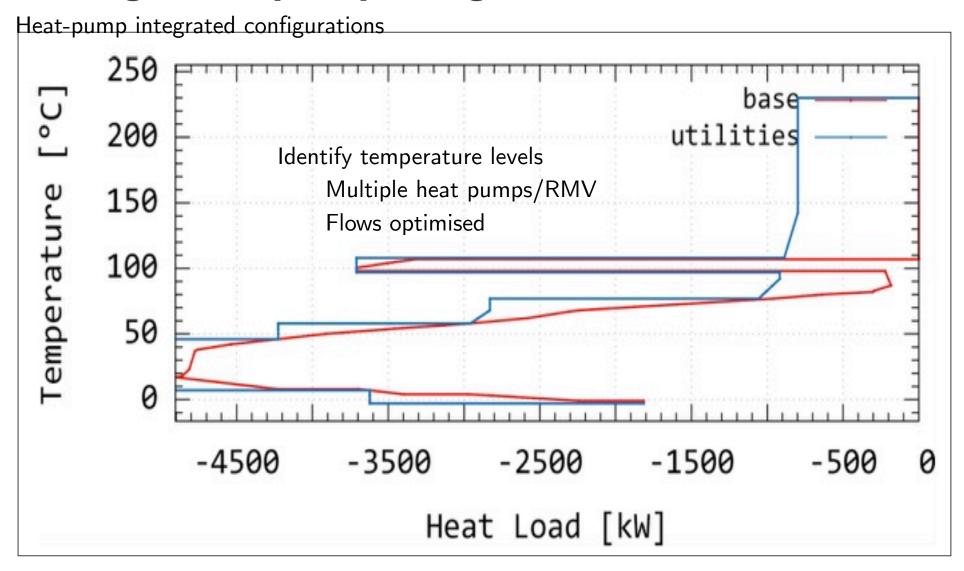




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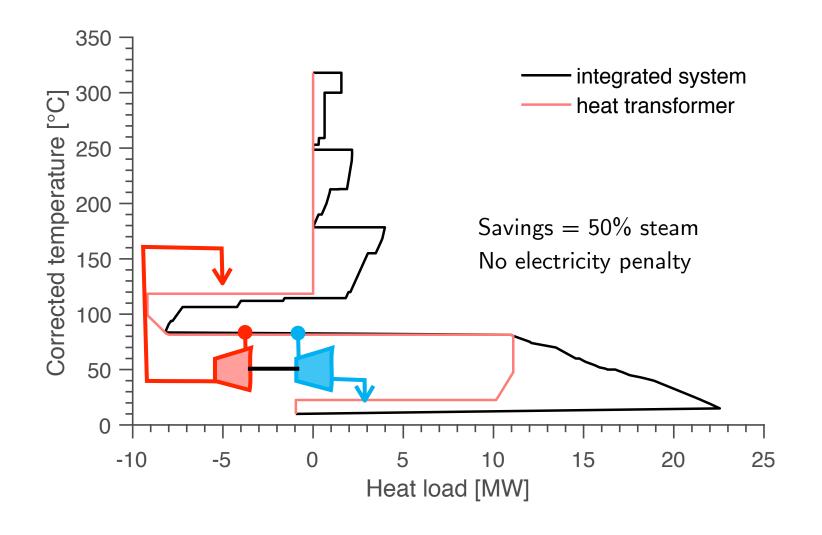
Multi stage heat pump integration





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

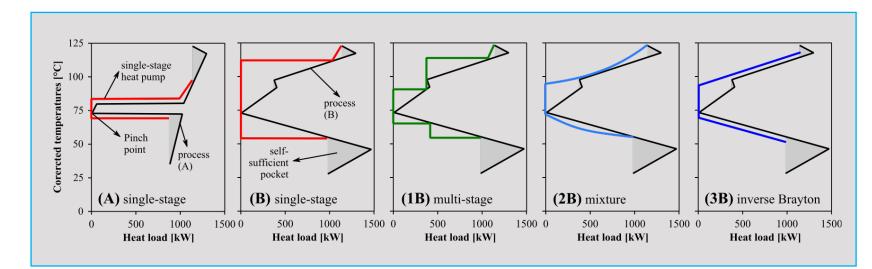


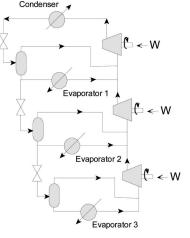


Heat pump integration: problem statement

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)



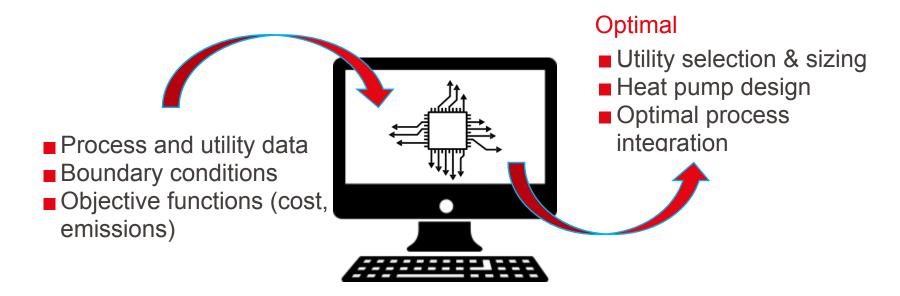


Systematic approach: superstructure optimisation

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Computer aided process engineering





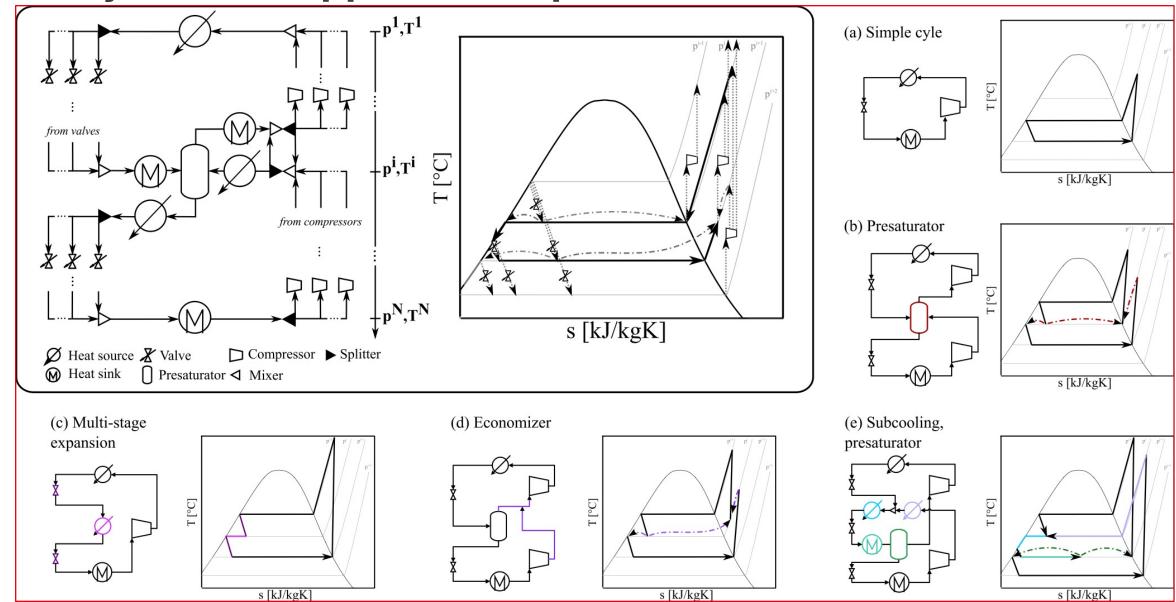


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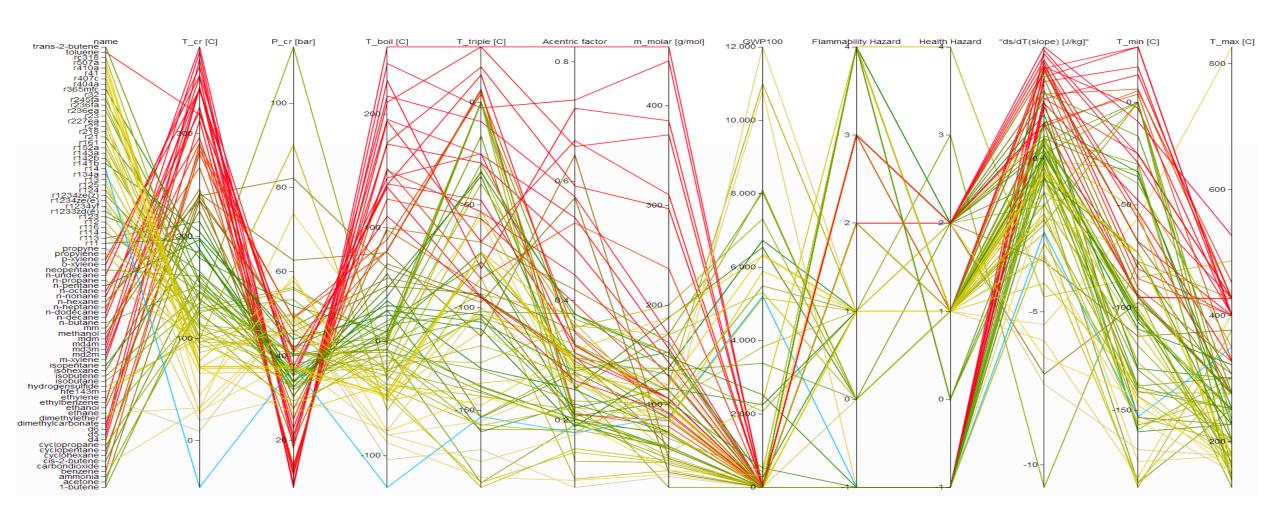
Systematic approach: superstructure model





EPFL Fluid data base

working fluids and their thermo-physical properties





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Technology data base : compressors

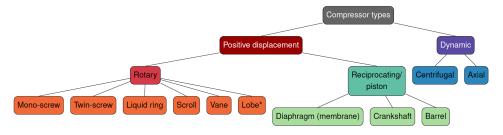
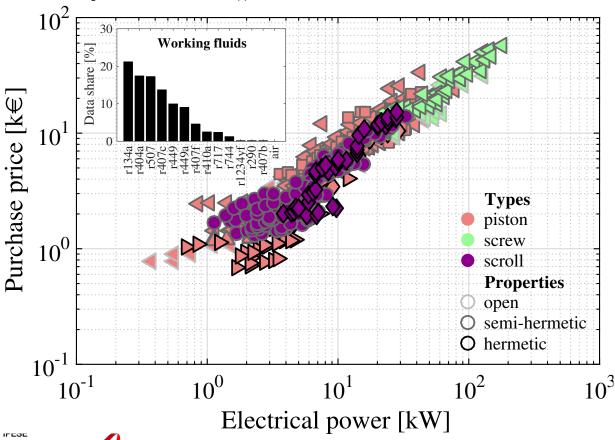
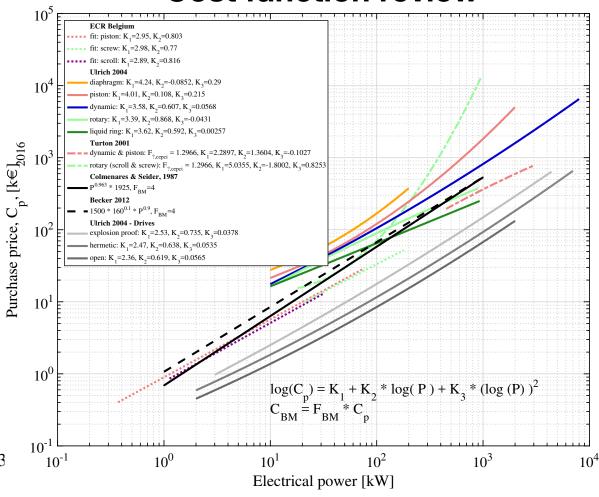


Figure 2: Tree diagram of compressor types, adapted from Wikipedia [8] with inspiration from Favrat [9]. Novel technologies are marked with asterisk (*).



Cost function review



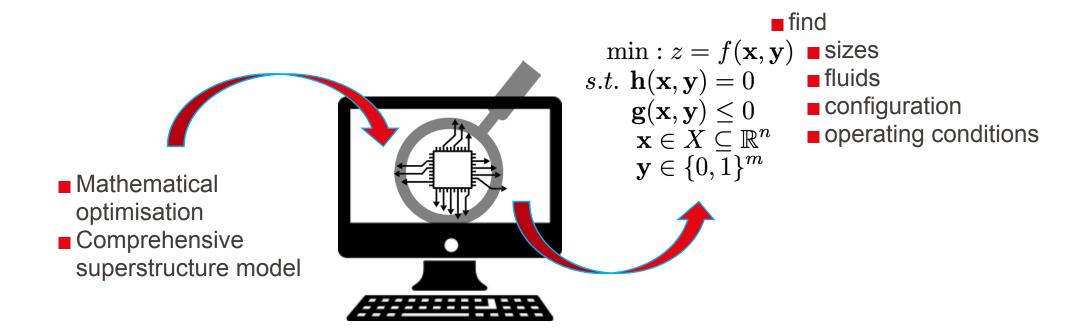
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EPFL Optimisation to select and calculate flows in the system

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

Subject to: Heat cascade constraints

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

$$R_r \geq 0$$

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

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

$$fmin_w y_w \le f_w \le fmax_w y_w$$

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

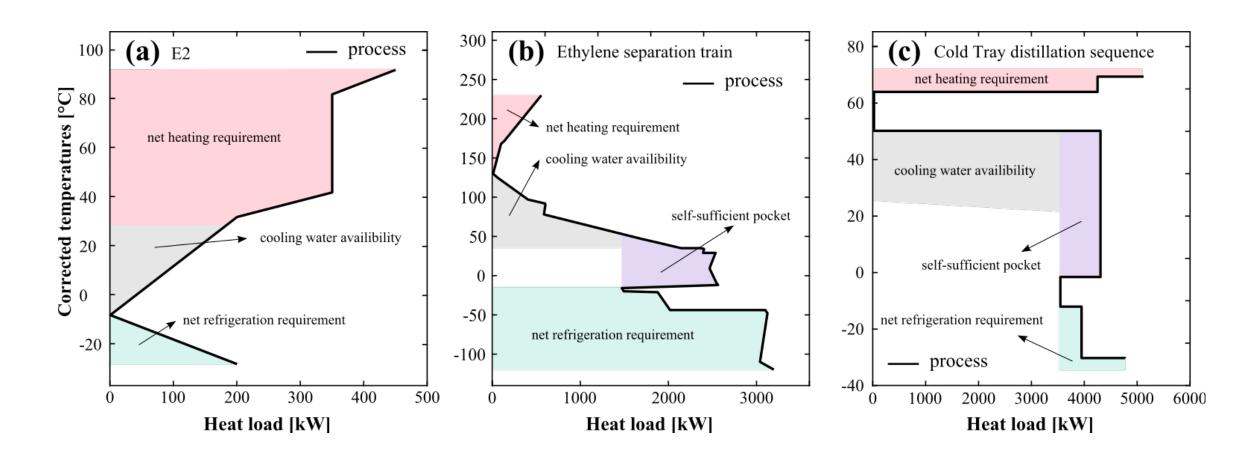




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- [5] Colmenares and Seider 1987

Improvement vs state of the art

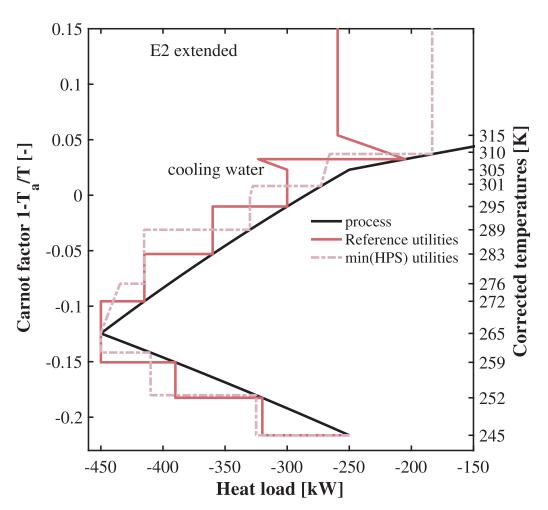
Literature comparison^{1,2}

		E2 ^[3]		Ethylene [4]		Cold Tray ^[5]	
	3	Reference	min(HPS)	Reference	min(HPS)	Reference	min(HPS)
Opex							
Cooling water	\$/y	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 _{refrigeration}	-	4.4	4.3	1.8	2.6	5.3	5.8

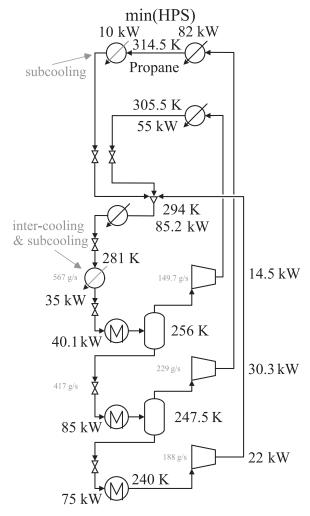


EPFLA multiple levels heat pumping system integration

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.

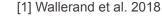
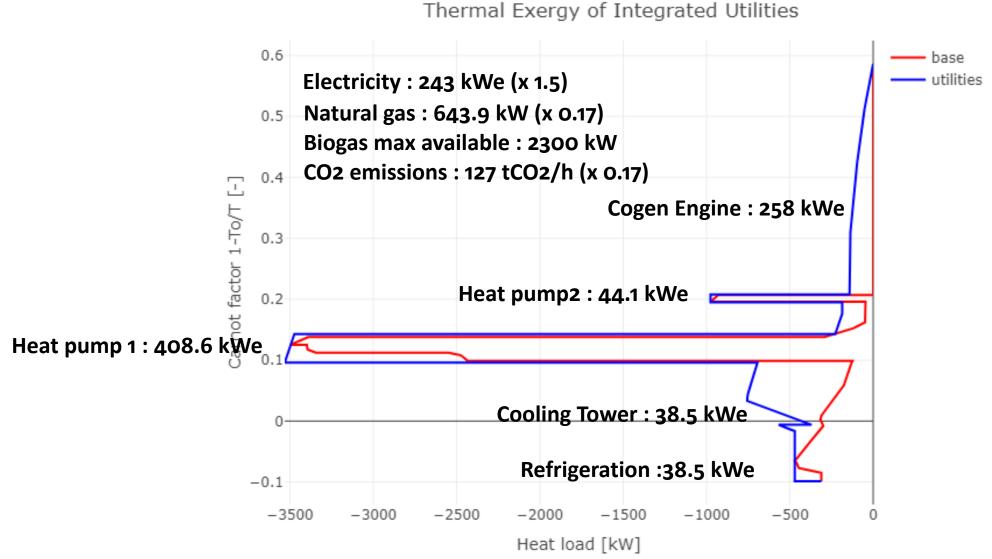




Fig. 15. Extended case *E2* minimum TAC solution.

System integration results

















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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