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# Cogeneration with District Heating and Cooling



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### Energy and Heat



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Heat has always been an issue for mankind

In 2008, the total world energy production amounted to **12000 Mtoe** 



Approximately one third of it (4000 Mtoe) was used as **heat.** 50% of this heat was for residential homes, commercial businesses and public services (hospitals, schools, universities, offices)

Total space heating and cooling demand ~ 20000 TWh World District Heating and Cooling ~ 2500 TWh

The potential of DHC increase is very large

### **District Heating**



**District Heating is developed in northern European countries** 

# **District Heating**

The Development of the District Heating Systems in Stockholm County - Networks of Heating



Source: D. Magnusson, Linköping University, Sweden

District Heating networks are expanding

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## District Heating in large cities



# **District** Cooling

City of Barcelona, Spain



**District Cooling networks in warm areas** 

# **Recovery of Nuclear Heat**



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# Exergy

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Ambient temperature heat is of no use

> The **Exergy** concept allows to also valuate the temperature at which the heat is produced.

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{H} - \mathbf{T}_0 \mathbf{.S}$$

Exergy of a quantity of heat Q  $\implies$  E = Q.(1 -  $\frac{T_0}{T}$ ) at a temperature T

	<b>Case of 1300 MWe Nuclear Power Plant</b>								
T hot	T cold	Wp	Qi	W <sub>HP</sub>	W <sub>BP</sub>	W gross	Qs	η carnot	η
(°C)	(°C)	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	(MW)	(MWe)	(MW)	(%)	(%)
288	39	9	3 920	-417	-936	1 353	-2 562	44.4%	34.3%

# Exergy: Electrical Efficiency



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$$\eta = \frac{\left| W_{HP} + W_{BP} \right| - W_{P}}{Q_{i}}$$

> W<sub>BP</sub> on the Low Pressure Turbine decreases with increasing temperature

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\mathrm{out}} \approx \mathbf{Q}_{\mathrm{i}} - |\mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{HP}} + \mathbf{W}_{\mathrm{BP}}|$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{out}} = \mathbf{Q}_{\text{out}} \cdot (1 - \frac{\mathbf{T}_0}{\mathbf{T}})$$

> The output exergy increases with increasing temperature

# **Exergy: Electrical Efficiency**



#### **Trade-off between electric output and Exergy**

## Thermodynamics: The Rankine cycle



# Thermodynamics: The secondary circuit





Main Transport Line

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# Example of Substations

#### Prefabricated substations

- The main benefits of prefabricated substations
  - Realiable installation at factory
  - Standardized system solutions
  - Small space requirement
  - Site installation time can be minimized
  - Easy to maintain

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- High degree of automation
- Easy operation

<u>Source:</u> Janne Lavanti, PÖYRY, Finland Oy Energy, May 2011

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# The Main Transport Line

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# In a Tunnel



Copenhagen District Heating Bore Tunnel, 2010

# (may be used as a common utility)

# In a Trench



# The Main Transport Line: Thermal Losses



- $\Box \quad \text{Diameter } \Phi$
- Insulator thickness e
- **Insulator conductivity**  $\lambda < 0.04$  W/m.K

$$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}Q}{\mathrm{d}z}\right) = \frac{2\pi\lambda}{\mathrm{Ln}\left(1 + \frac{2\mathrm{e}}{\Phi}\right)} \quad (\mathrm{T} - \mathrm{T}_{0}) \quad < 120 \text{ W/m}$$

### **Total heat loss ~ 2% of the transported power!**

# The Main Transport Line: Hydraulics



# Loviisa 3 Nuclear Power Plant Project in Finland

#### PWR connection

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#### Heat extraction from a Pressurized Water Reactor



<u>Source:</u> Harri Tuomisto, FORTUM, Finland , October 2010

## Loviisa 3 Nuclear Power Plant Project in Finland

## Loviisa 3 CHP – heat transport on a long distance

#### Heat transport in pipes

- Mounting in a rock tunnel, cross section 30 m<sup>2</sup>
  - stable conditions
  - · positive maintenance aspects
- Near surface installation
  - lower costs
  - · environmentally more challenging

#### District heat transport system

- Distance over 75 km (Loviisa eastern Helsinki)
  - 2 x Ø 1200 mm pipes, PN25 bar, Q = 4 5 m<sup>3</sup>/s
  - 4 7 pumping stations
    - total pumping power needed tens of MWs
    - compensates for heat losses
  - Control scheme
    - · district heat water temperature or flow rate
  - Heat accumulator needed, heat distribution to the local district heat network via heat exchangers

Source: Harri Tuomisto, FORTUM, Finland , October 2010





# The Main Transport Line : Pumping Power



Install pumping stations every ~ 20 km

# The Nogent-sur-Seine Power Plant

#### Two 1300 MWe reactors with cooling towers



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## The Main Transport Line: An example

Nogent-sur-Seine Nuclear Power Plant

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#### Main Heat Transport Line

# Economics

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Two main parameters

#### 1. The Temperature T of the fluid

Electric Efficiency, Heat Losses

2. The Piping Size  $\Phi$ Pumping Power

#### Assumptions:

- ➤ Operation time: 1/3 cogeneration, 2/3 electric
- > Value of 1 MW thermal = 50% of 1 MW electric
- ➤ 2 lines of 1500 MW capacity each

## **Economics: Optimal Temperature**



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# Economics : Optimal Piping Size



# Main primary line parameters

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Main Transport Line Characteristics							
Transported heat power	1 523	MW					
Total line length	150	km					
Forward Temperature	120	°C					
Return Temperature	60	°C					
Insulation Thermal Conductivity	0.05	W/m.K					
Insulation thickness	300	mm					
Piping size	2 000	mm					
Max. pressure	20	bars					
Water flow	6.34	m <sup>3</sup> /s					
Total heat loss	32.3	MW					
Hydraulic pressure drop	-0.16	bar/km					
Total pumping power	43	MW					
Cost of delivered MWh	29.8	} €/MWh					

Single line should be doubled to get a capacity of 3000 MWth

# Economics: Balance



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Implementation on Nogent-sur-Seine reactor (1300 MWe) 150 km long main heat transport line

➤ Additional heat production of 9 TWh Gain of +540 M€/year

➤ Reduction of electric production -1.8 TWhe Loss of -180 M€/year

Total gain of +360 M€/year

# $CO_2$ emissions



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 $\simeq$  CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from district heating in Paris

60% fossil fuels (gas boilers, coal, oil) 40% waste incineration

# Average of 195 $gCO_2/kWh$

Large reduction in  $CO_2$  emissions

Avoid 1.7 Million tons of  $CO_2$ /year



# Conclusions

The recovery of nuclear heat from present NPP is technically feasible

The primary heat transport line can be designed with low thermal losses (a few percents) even for long distances (> 100 km)

> Heat recovery enhances the plant efficiency and provides a high energetic gain (+70%)

> The recovered heat is economically competitive

Nuclear heat recovery allows large reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

## The Sustainable Nuclear Energy Technology Platform



## The NC2I Task Force

#### Mission:

NC2I TF shall comply with the SNETP mandate and shall launch a Nuclear Cogeneration Industrial Initiative (NC2I) and any other tools required for successful prototype project in the 2020 time frame

#### Vision:

The NC2I vision is to unlock and use the potential of nuclear cogeneration for considerable savings of fossil resources in the short to medium term

NC2I shall thus develop, demonstrate and stimulate nuclear cogeneration systems compatible with large-scale industry applications and SET Plan targets

→ Support cogeneration applications for all nuclear systems

- → Extend cogeneration potential by accelerated HTR development
- → Initiate prototype project(s)
- Possibly prepare/participate in international industrial initiative(s)

<u>Source:</u> Sander De Groot, NRG, SNETP/NC2I, October 2011