

EXPERIMENTAL STUDY OF SUPERCRITICAL CO2 HEAT TRANSFER IN A THERMO-ELECTRIC ENERGY STORAGE BASED ON RANKINE AND HEAT-PUMP CYCLES

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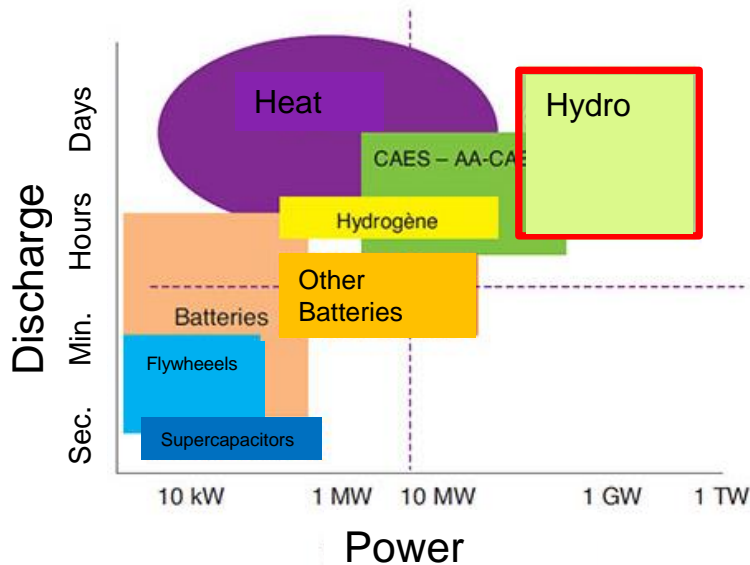
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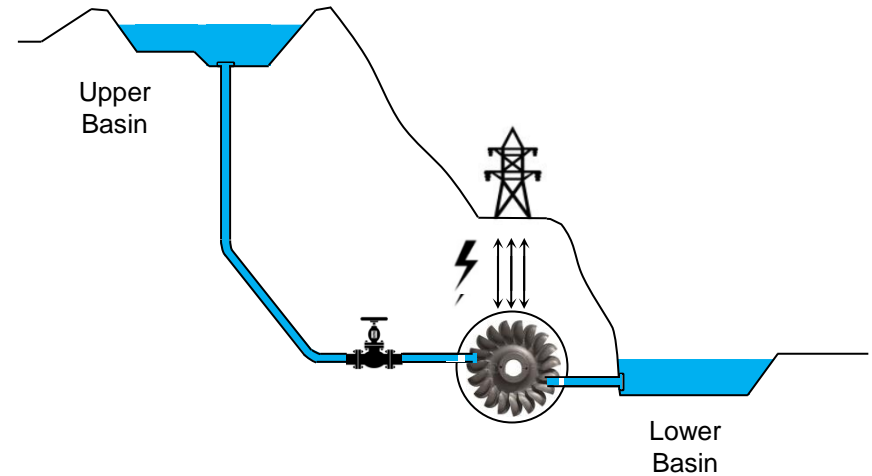
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- **State of the art**
- **ANR-SELECO2 Concept & Parametric Thermodynamic Simulations**
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Electricity storage: State of the art (1)

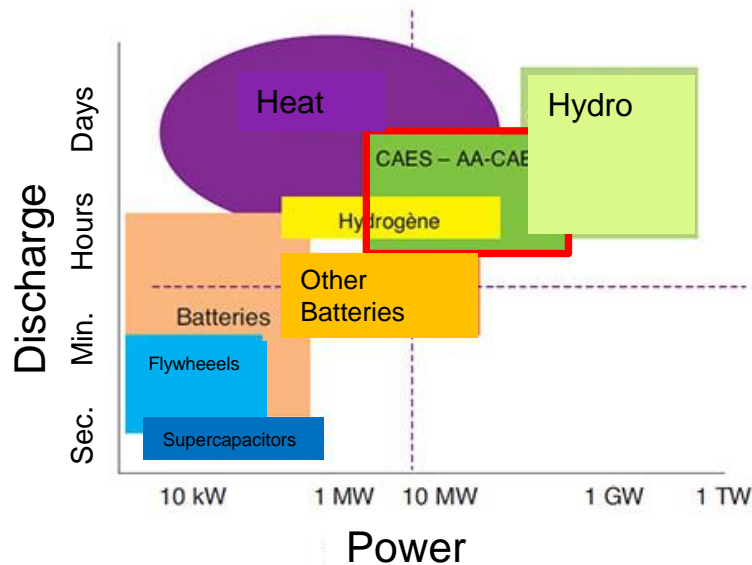


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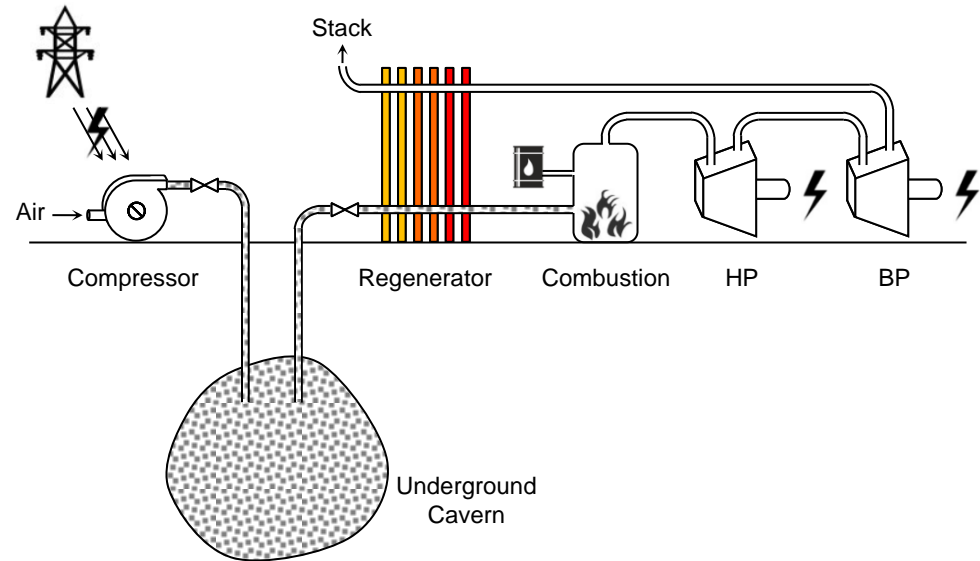


Maturity	Mature (< 1890's)
Deployment	200 sites (140 GW)
Efficiency	> 80%
Scale	500 MW – 3 GW // 1 – 100 GWh
Discharge	Few hours – Few days
Expected Life	40 ans

Electricity storage: State of the art (2)

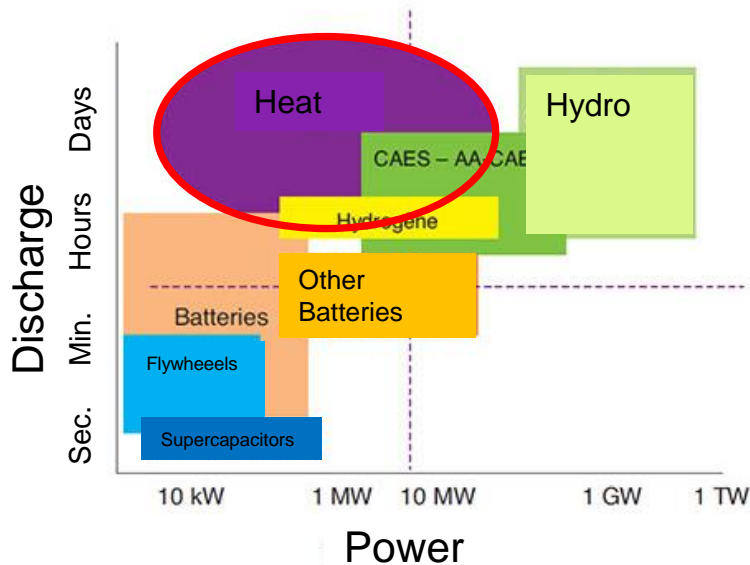


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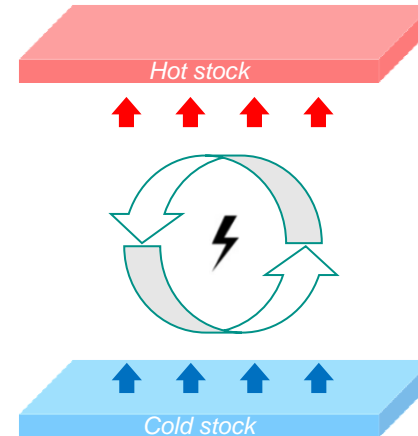


Maturity	Commercialised
Deployment	2 sites (USA) { 290 MW – 2h 110 MW – 26h > 12 projects
Efficiency	~ 55%
Scale	10 – 400 MW // 0,5 – 20 GWh
Discharge	1 – 26 hours
Expected Life	30 ans

Electricity storage: State of the art (3)



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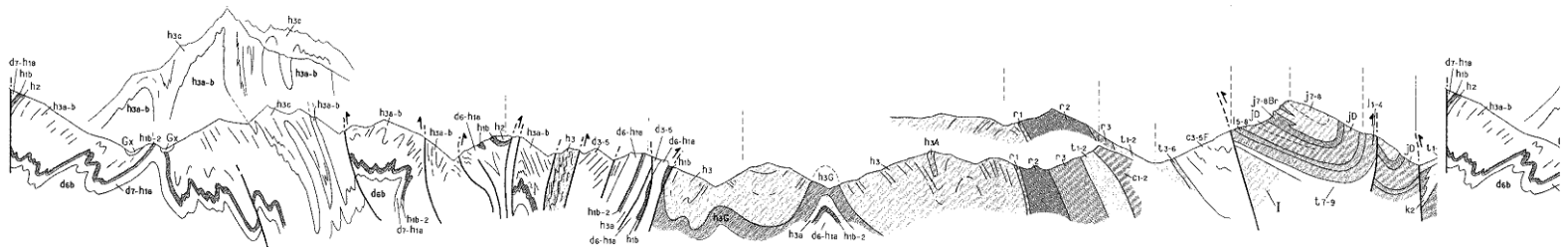
Maturity	Several R&D projects Various fluids and cycles (Ar, CO ₂ , ...)
Deployment	No installed capacity
Efficiency	> 40%
Scale	< 100 MW
Discharge	Few hours – Few days
Expected Life	25 ans

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SeleCO2 research project

Large-scale electricity storage by "Ground storage + Ice storage" thermal doublet & CO2 as working fluid



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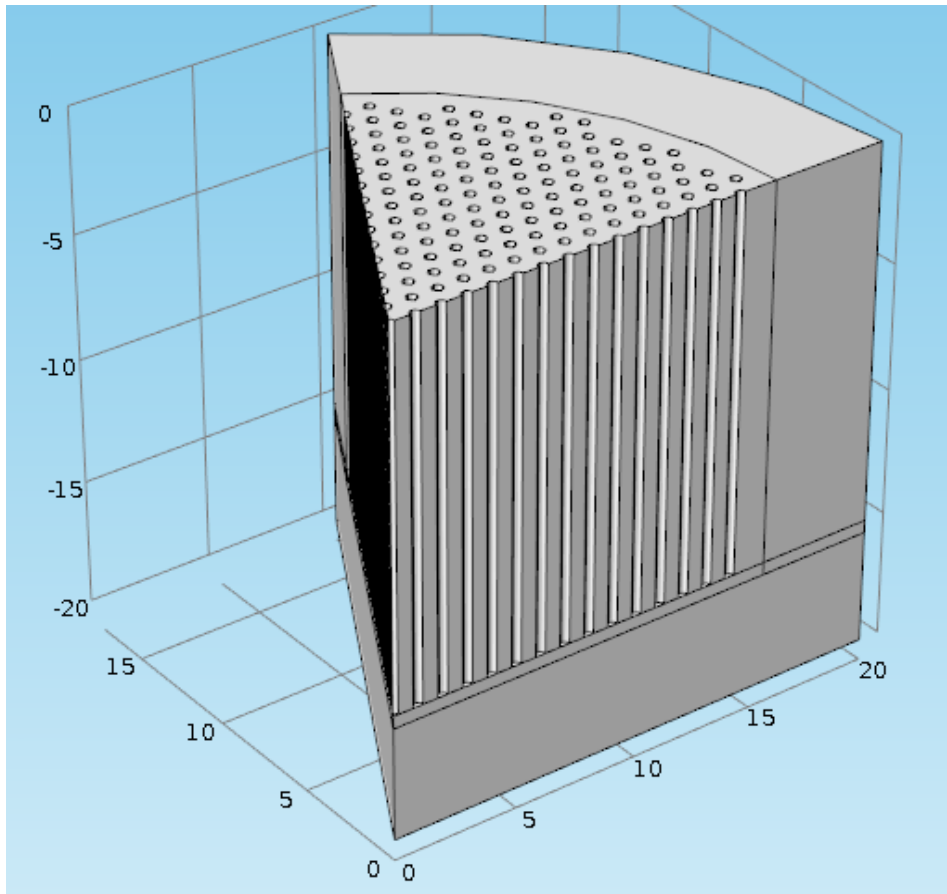
Project website: <http://seleco2.free.fr/>

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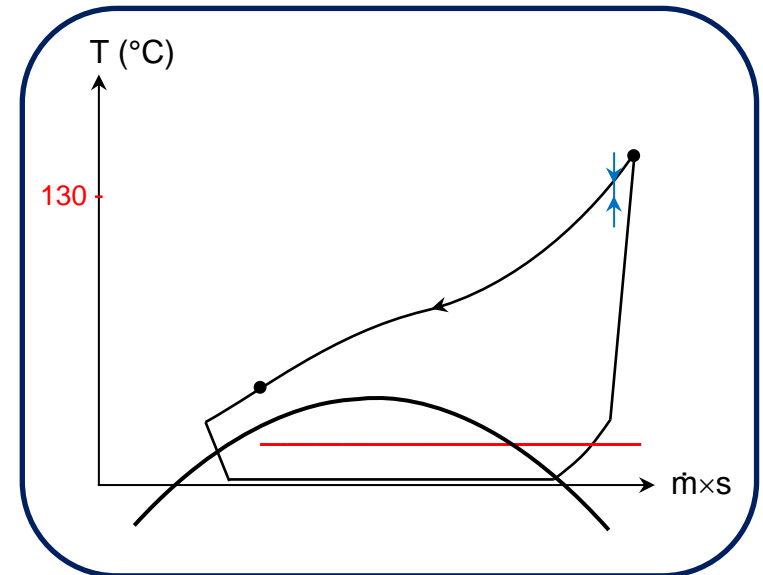
SELECO₂ Concept (1)



$\varnothing_{\text{column}} \sim 1 \text{ m / column}$, $T_{\text{max}} \sim 130^{\circ}\text{C}$

Rock conductivity = 3,4 W/m.K

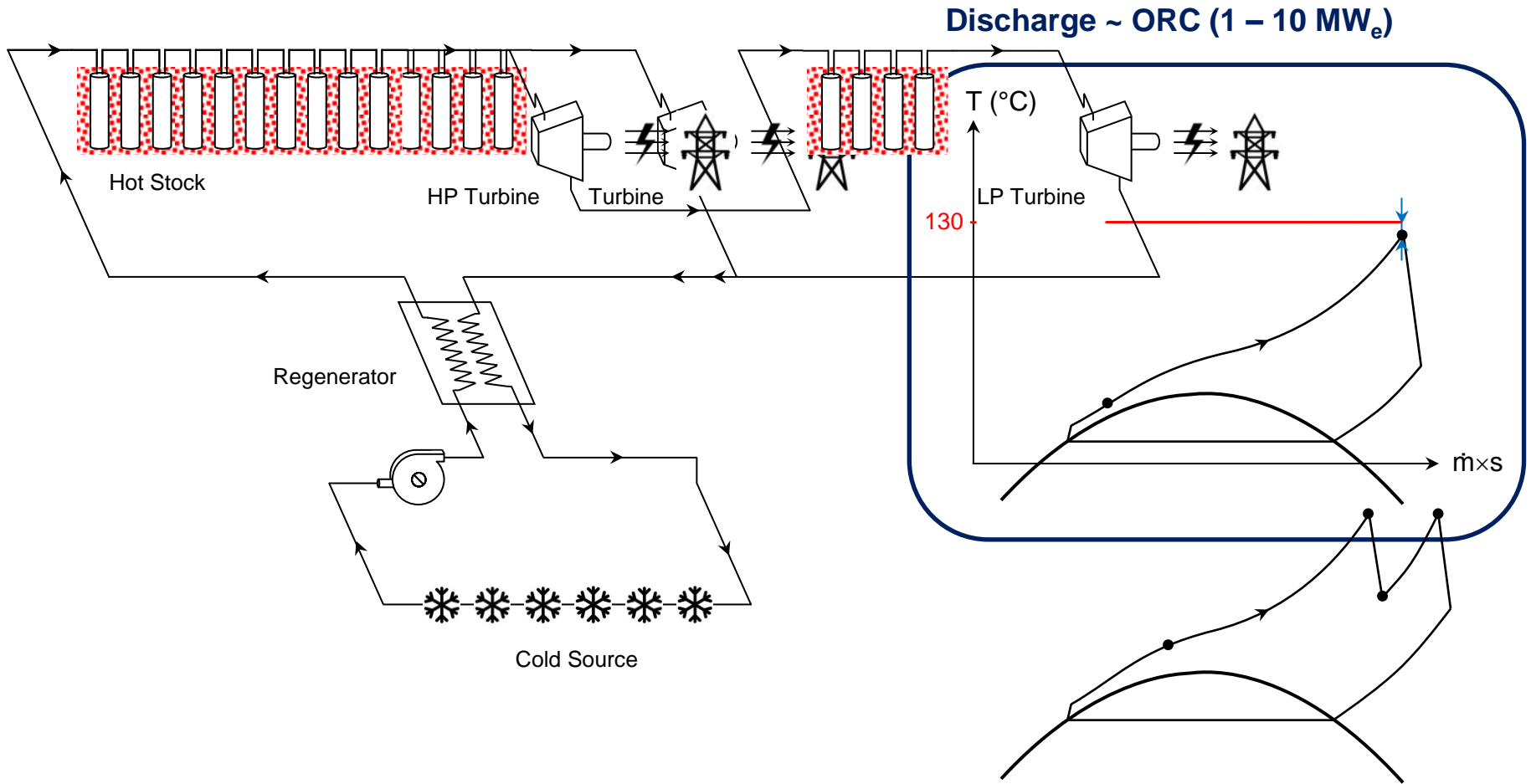
Charge : Heat-Pump cycle (≥ 8 hours)



1st characteristics : Hot storage medium: in situ rock (granite)

2nd characteristics : CO₂ supercritical

SELECO₂ Concept (2)



$$\eta_{sys} = \frac{\dot{W}_{el}'}{\dot{W}_{el} + \dot{W}_{el}''}$$

Code :



Architecture : single stage

Net Power: 1 MW_e

Rock Temp : T_{rock_max} = 130 °C

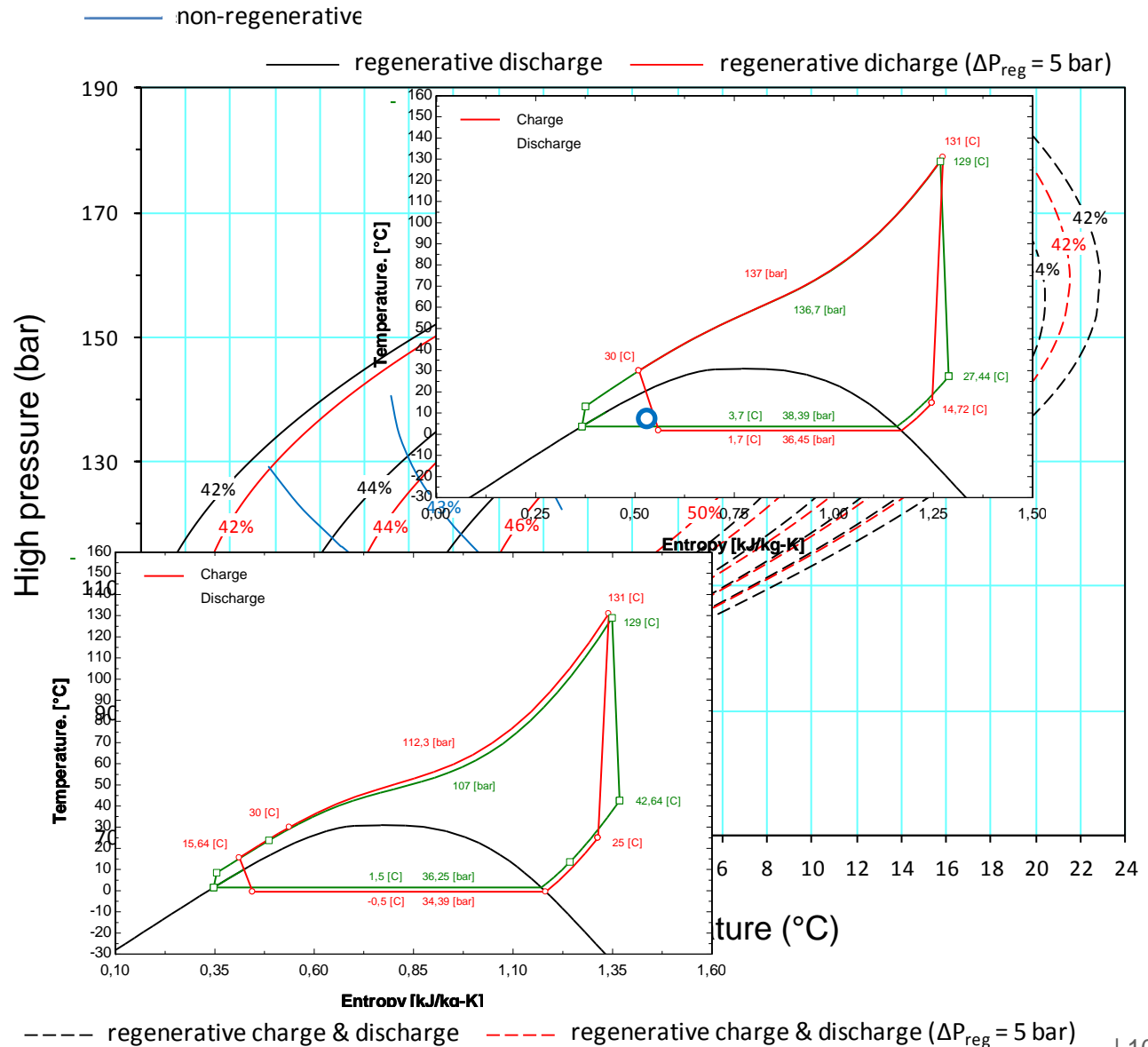
« Pinch » : upper limit

$$\Delta T_{min} = |T_{CO_2} - T_{rock}|_{min} = 1 K$$

Double regenerated

- 1- Global efficiency ↗
- 2- High pressure ↘
- 3- Pressure ratio ↘
- 4- Hot stock power ↘
- 5- Chiller contribution ↘

⇒ Cost ↘



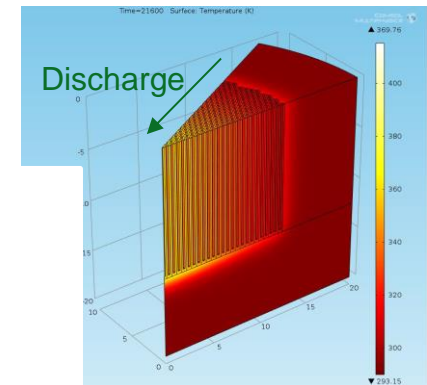
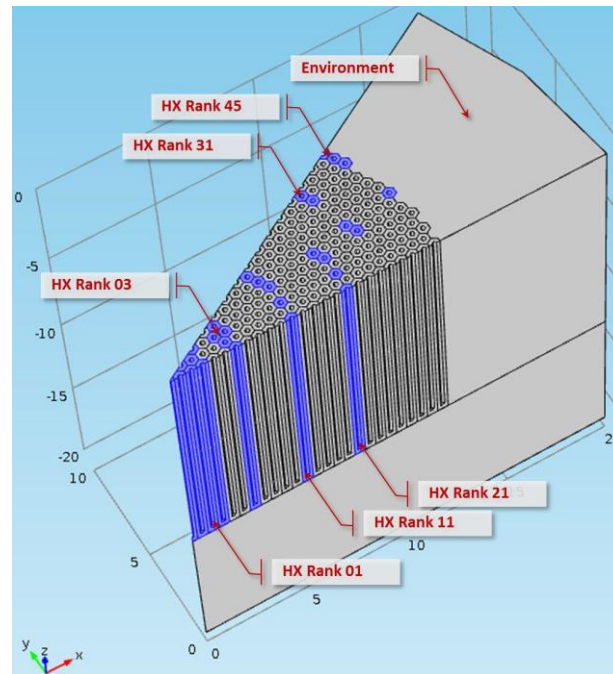
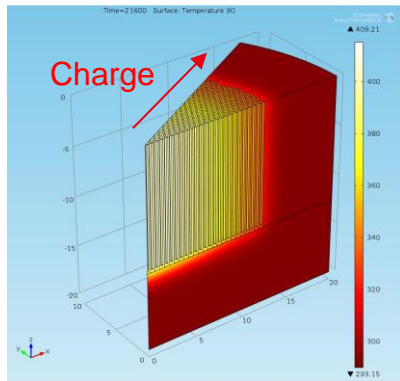
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Hot storage underground heat exchangers

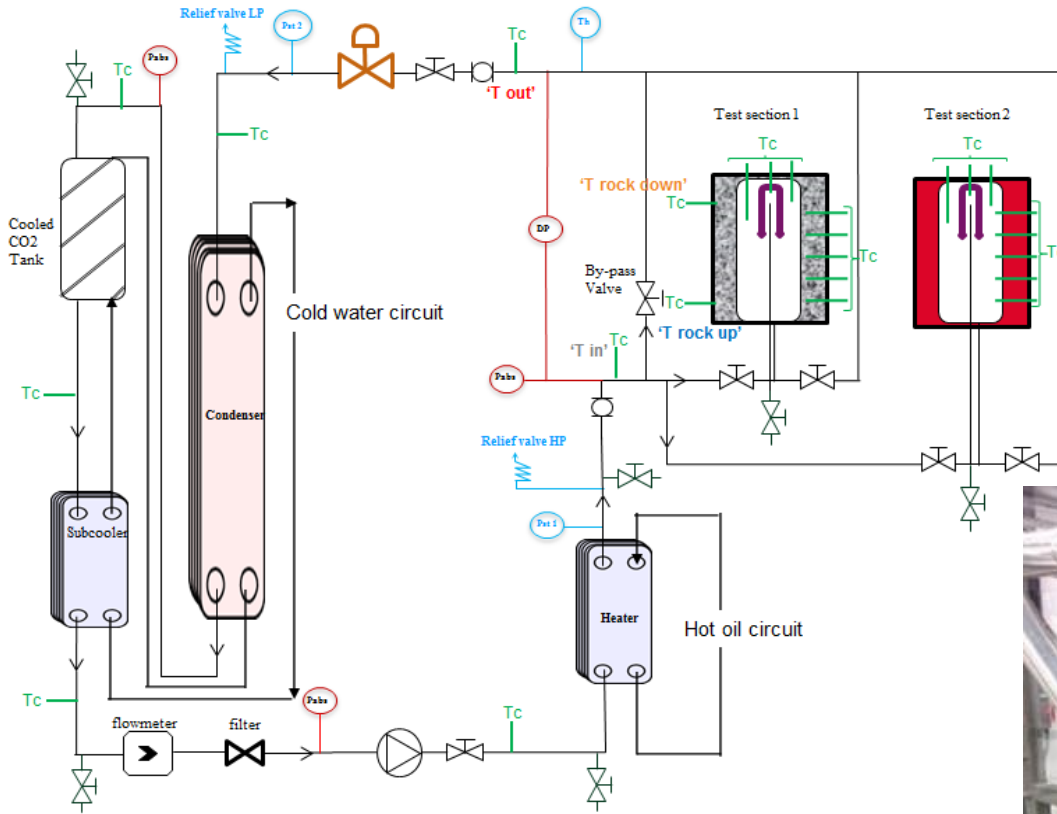
Several hundred of geothermal heat-exchangers (HX), typically: 2160 HX, 12m long, 200mm diameter and 50cm apart on hexagonal lay-out.

HX set up on serial/parallel configuration into unfractured dry crystalline bedrock : 48 lines of 45 HX in series.



Experimental device to study hot storage underground heat exchanger

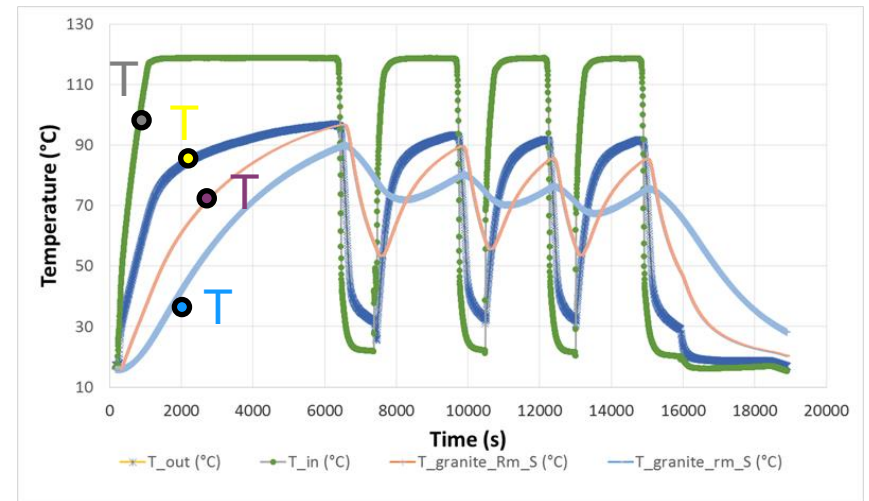
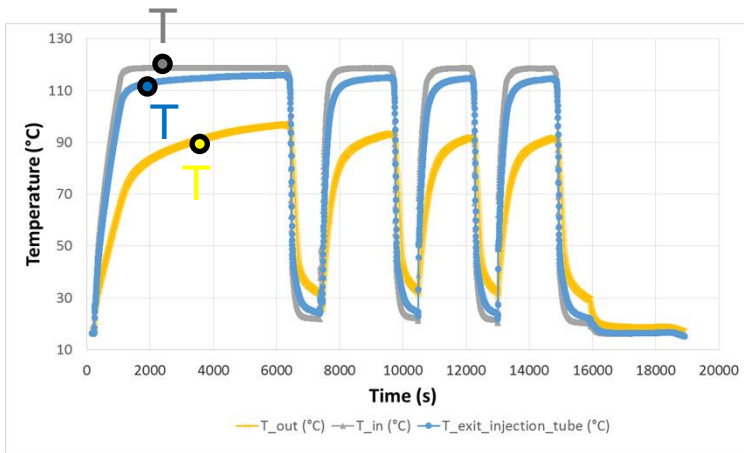
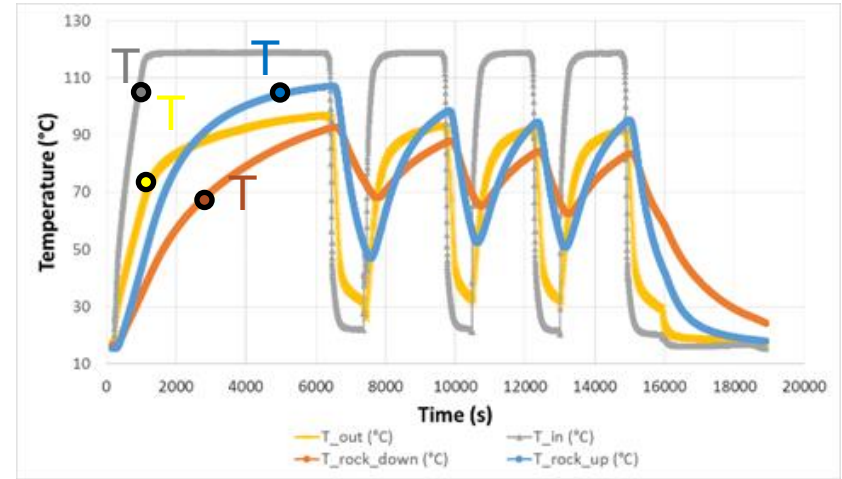
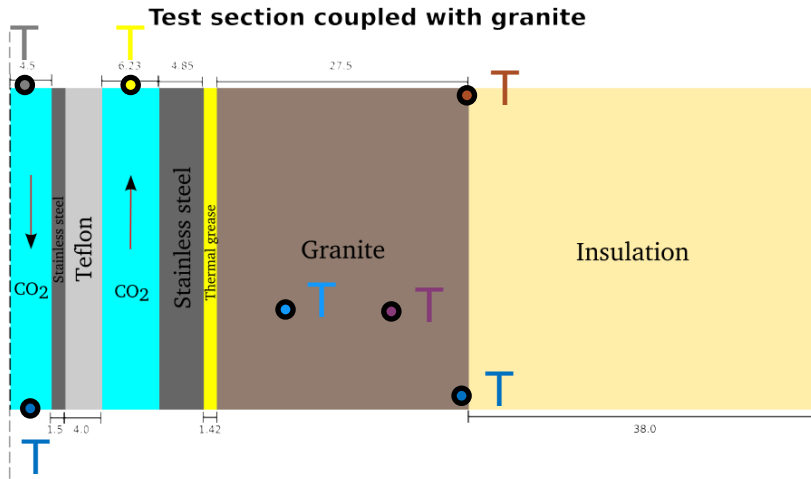
- TC Thermocouple
- Absolute pressure transducer
- Differential pressure transducer
- Glass window
- Pressure regulator
- Filter
- Valve
- Valve for fulling/emptying operations
- Temperature controller
- Pressure controller
- Relief valve



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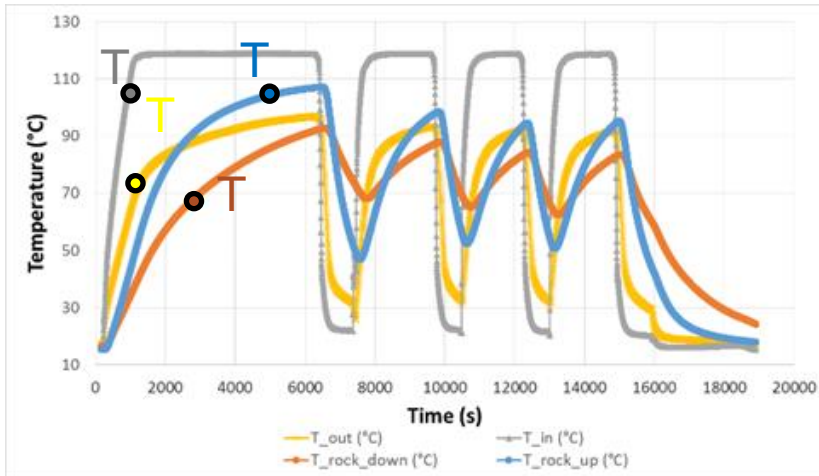
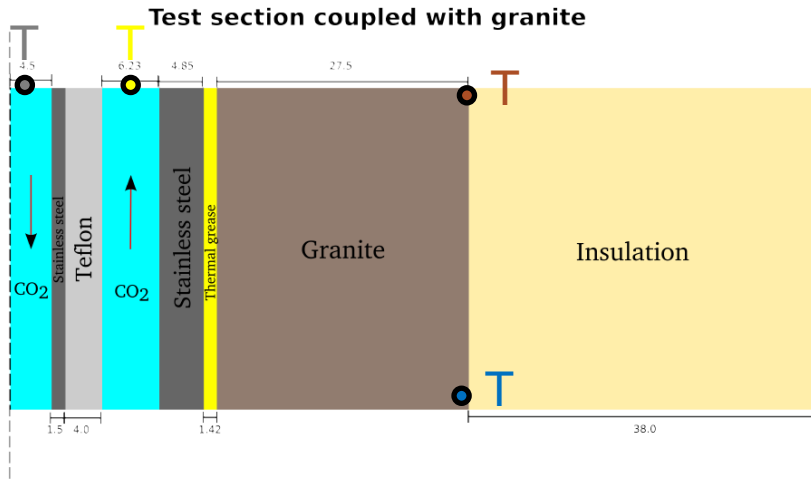
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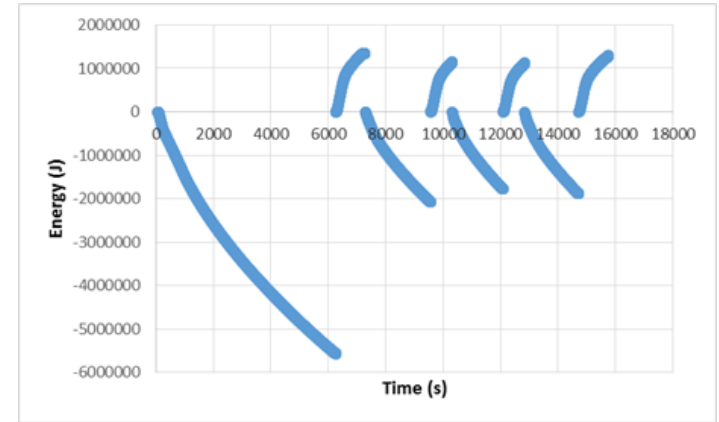
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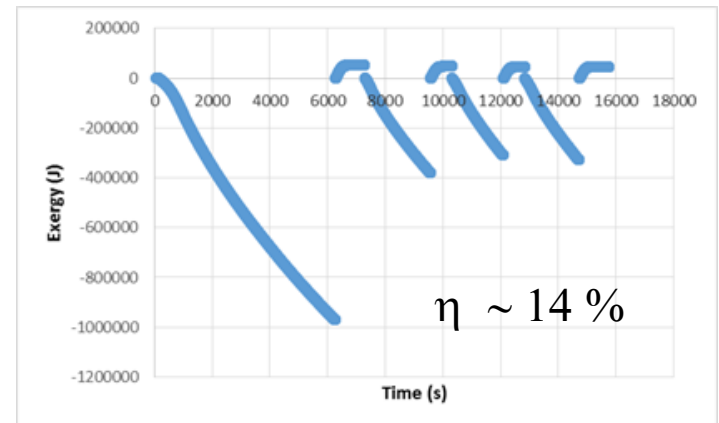


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Energetic & exergetic view



$\eta \sim 68 \%$

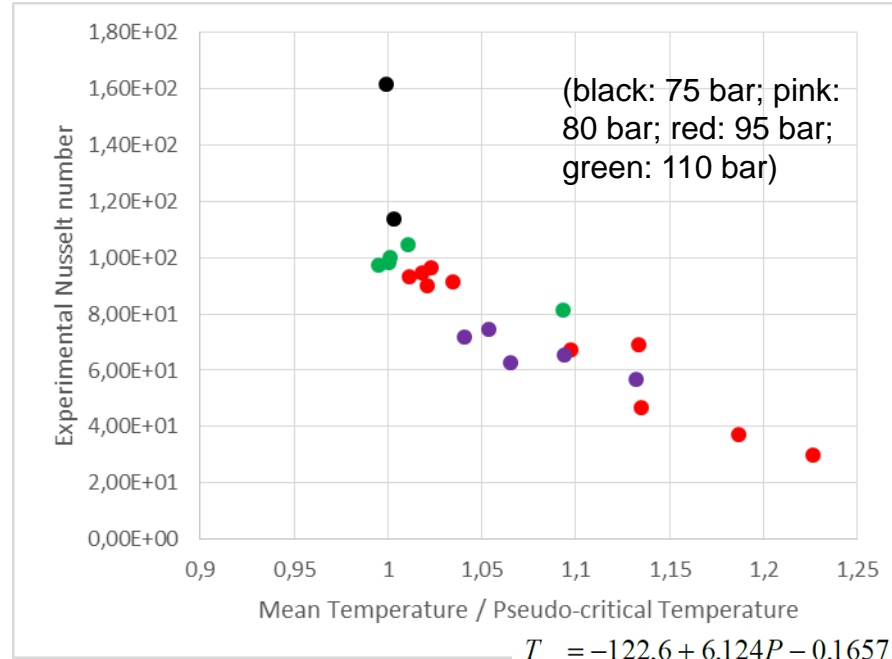
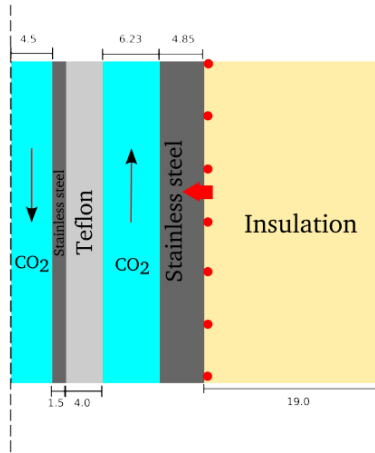


$\eta \sim 14 \%$

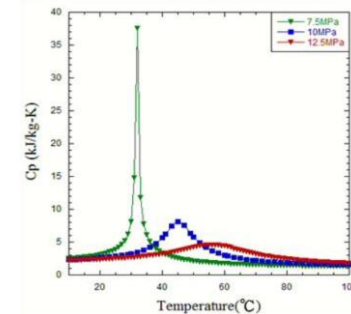
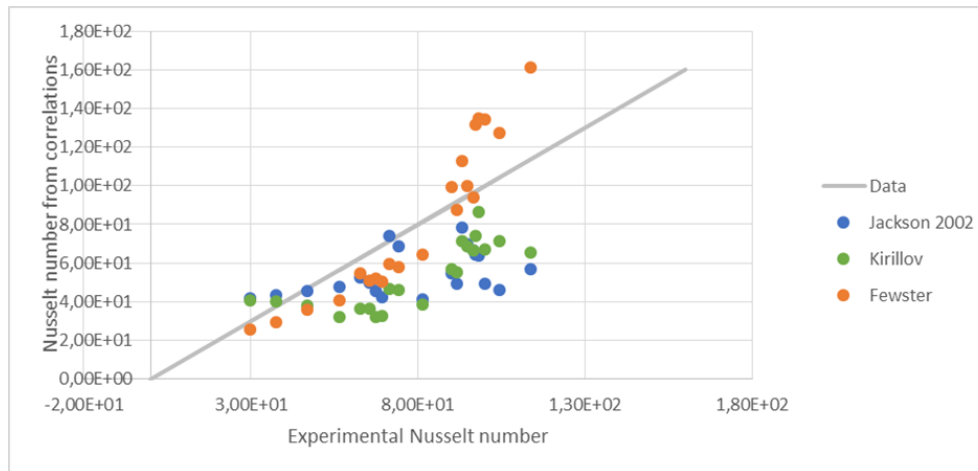
$$\eta_{ex} = (Ex_{out} - Ex_{in})_{discharge} / (Ex_{in} - Ex_{out})_{charge} \quad | \quad 17$$

Imposed heat flux test section

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$$T_{pc} = -122,6 + 6,124P - 0,1657P^2 + 0,01773P^{2,5} - 0,0005608P^3$$



Hsieh et al., 2015

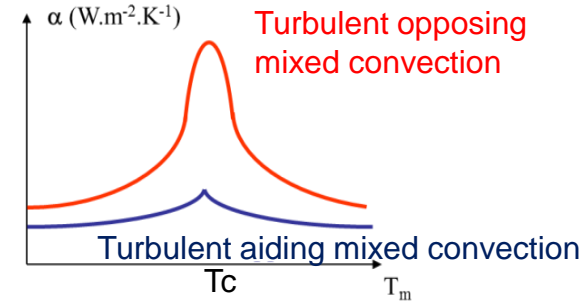
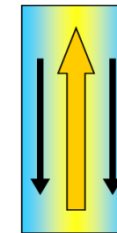
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Heating mode (Hot storage → Discharge Cycle)

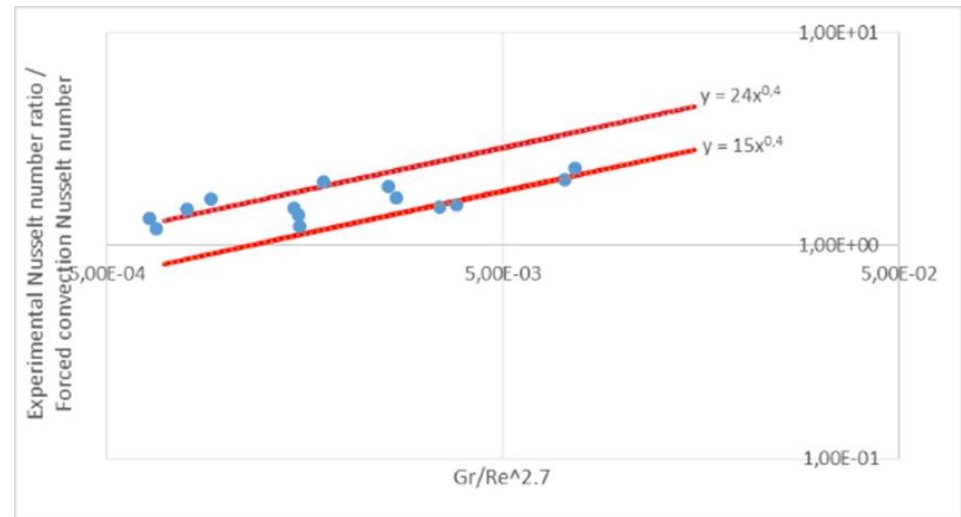
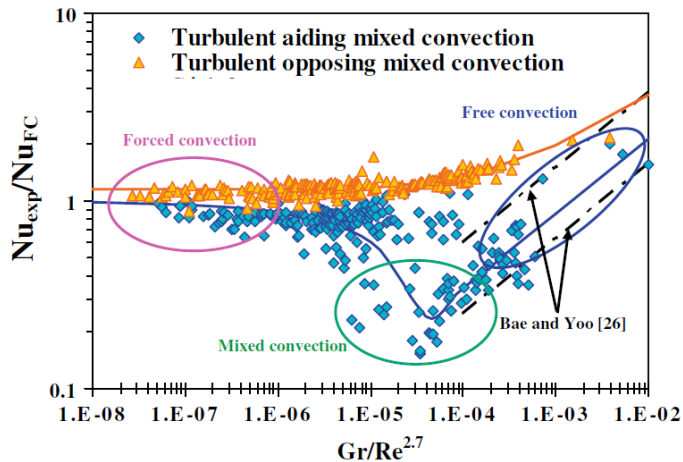
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Information: Cooling mode (Charge Cycle → Hot storage)

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Literature data on small diameter cylinder



CONCLUSION

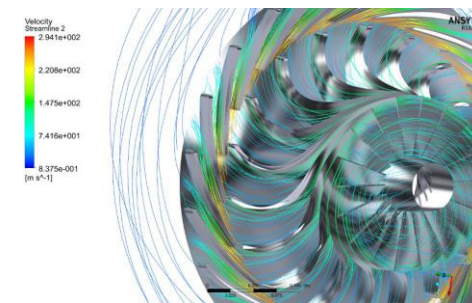
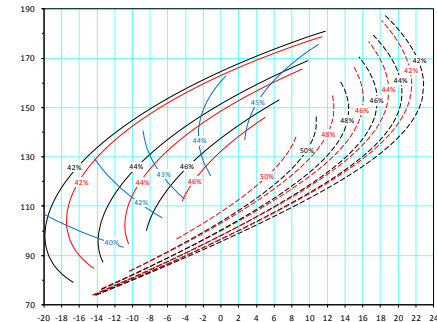
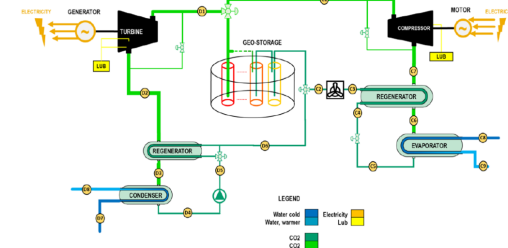
- Concept of massive electricity storage based on 2 sCO₂ cycles and underground thermal storage (sensible heat)

- Parametric studies at steady-state → potential interest

- 1/10^e experimental device for geothermal HX study

- Imposed heat flux test section and test section coupled with granite
 - Investigation of transient behaviour
 - Validation of unsteady simulations of HX and granite

- Other important tasks in the project
 - Turbomachinery design
 - Off-design simulations & Transient multi-D coupling
 - Economy
 - Environmental impact



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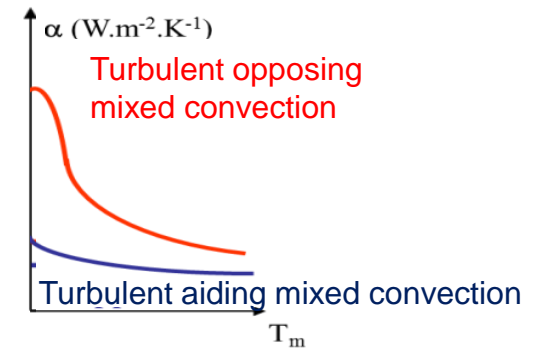
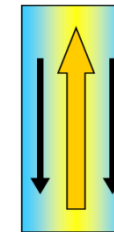
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