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Integrated Energy Solutions for Sustainable Port Development

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Integrated Energy Systems (IES)

Achieve low GHG emissions, high energy efficiency and economic benefits of a system

e.g. area with multiple users / demands → sector coupling

by combining the physical and virtual integration of

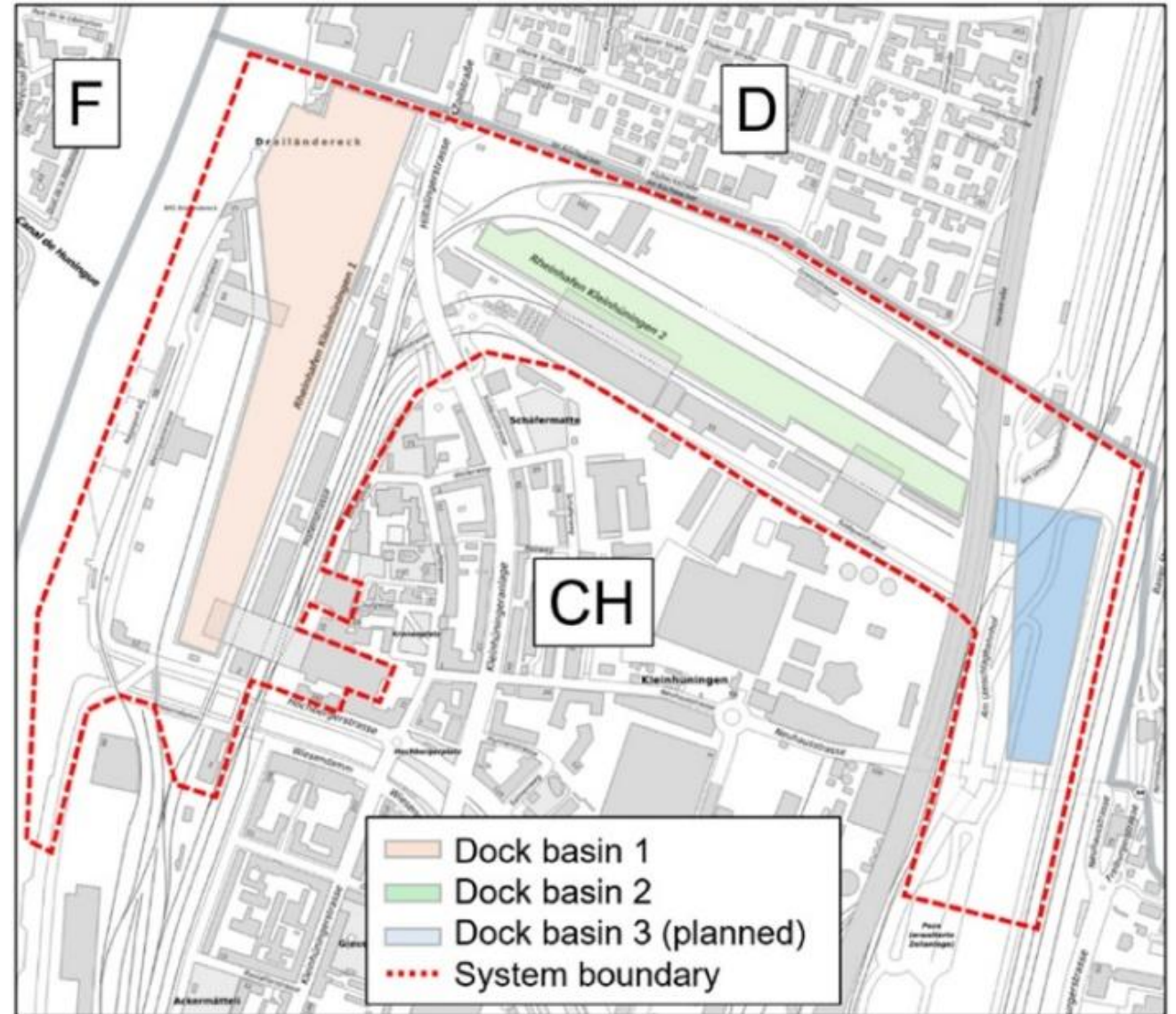
(complex) modelling of energy/power and costs with high time-resolution

energy sources, energy transformation, storages, distribution technologies and energy demand management.

reduce losses, increase (local) renewable energy exploitation, optimise costs

Introduction

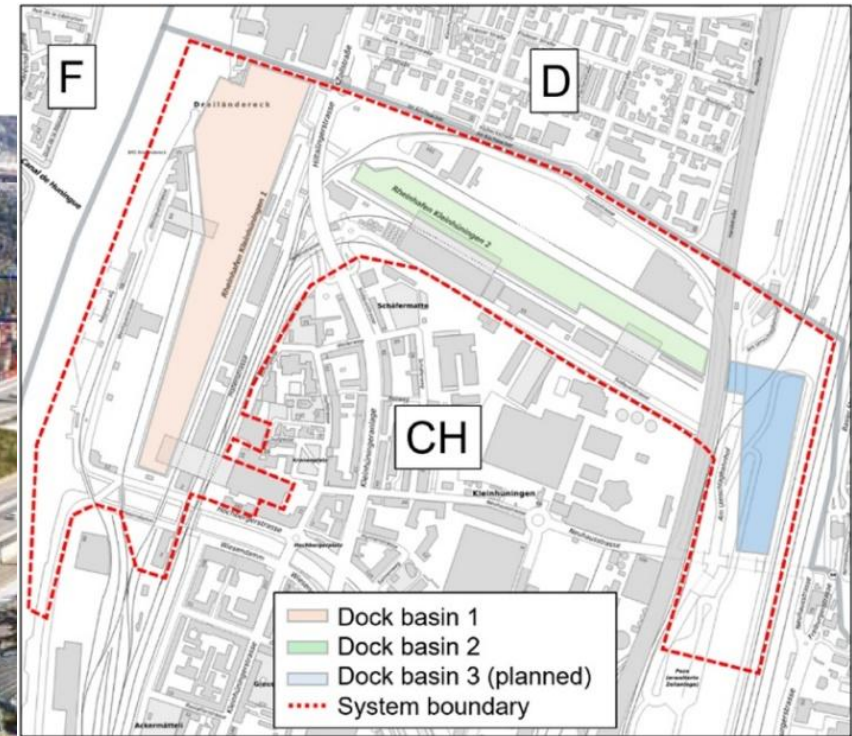
Port in Basel-Kleinmünchen



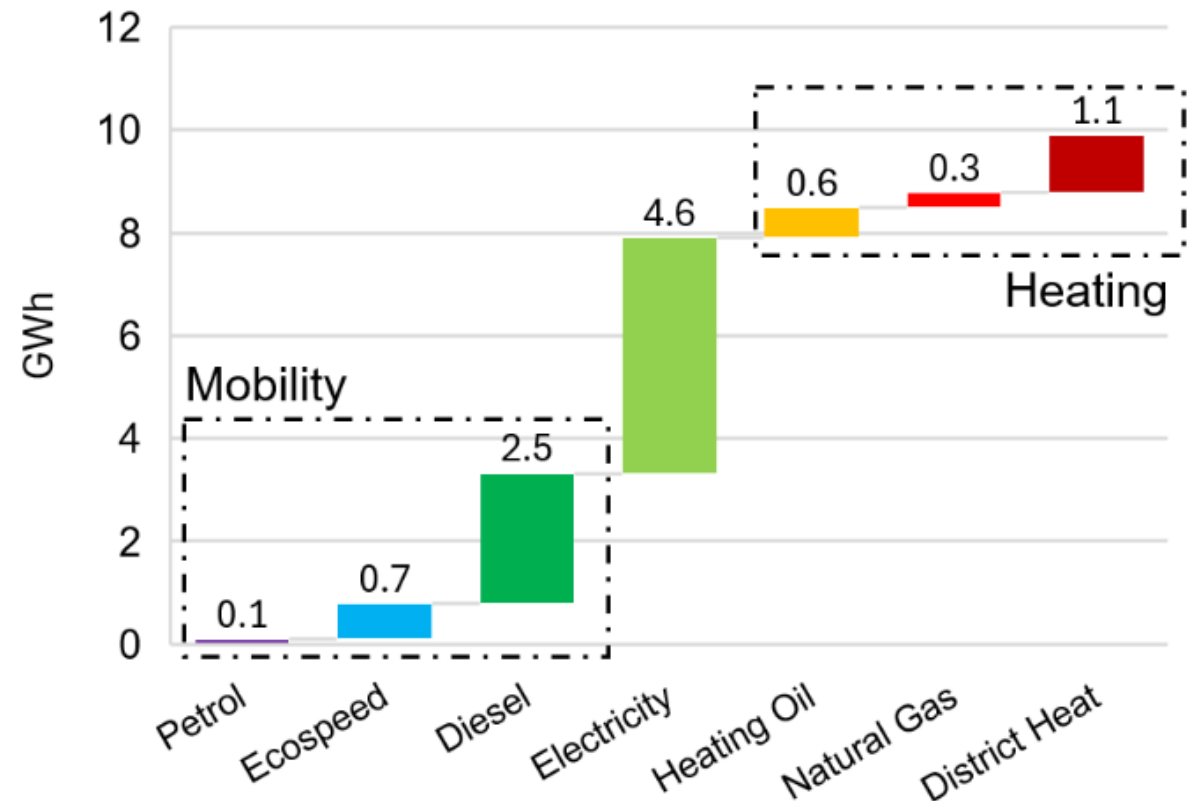
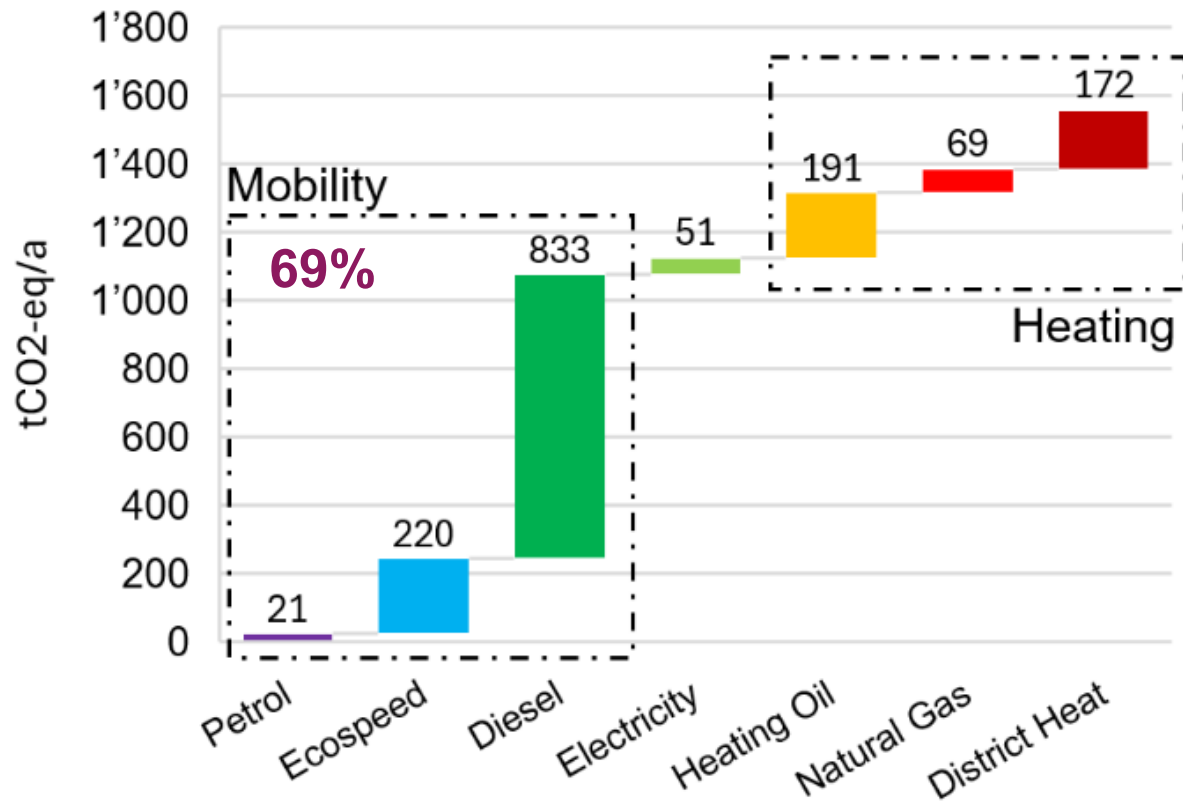
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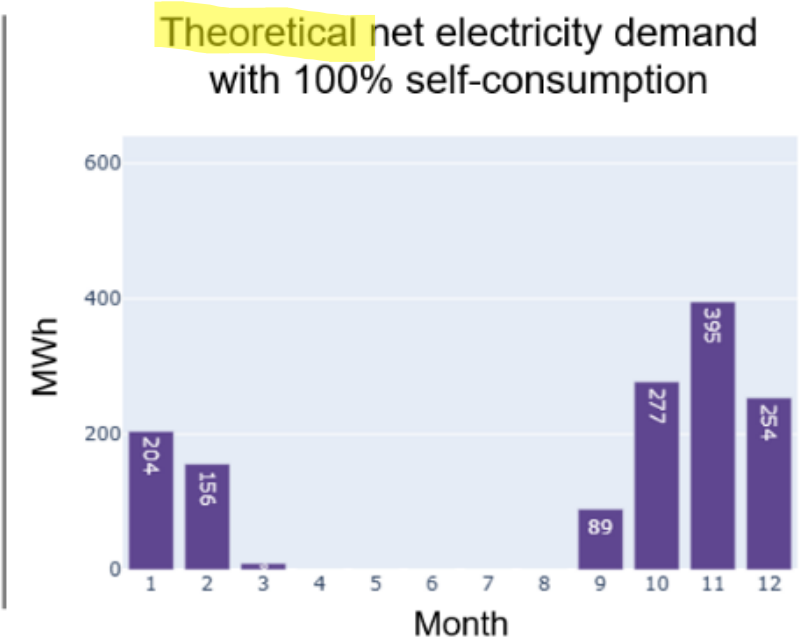
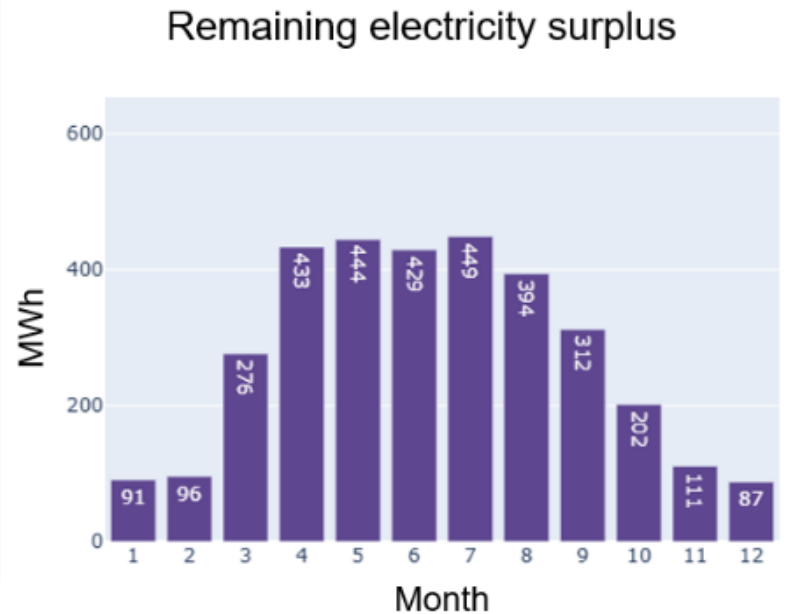
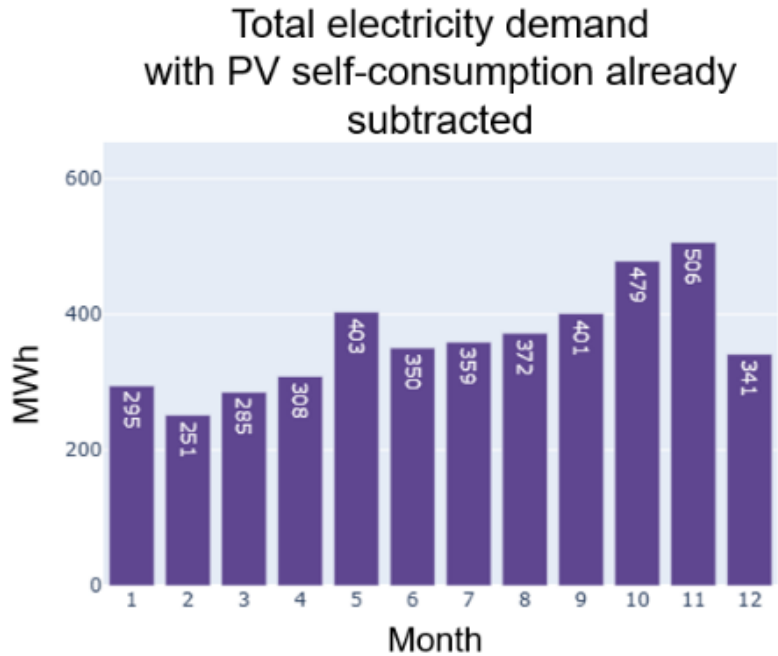


2025: GHG Emissions (left) and Energy Demand (right)



Assessment of GHG Emissions, Energy Demand/Supply and System Transformation

2025: 3.8 GWh from PV in Port Area



Hubs for Modelling of Current and Future Situation



System Simulation Model

Selected Key Model Parameters

Investment Costs

Solar PV	1'337	CHF/kW _{peak}
Battery	250	CHF/kWh
Ground-source heat pump (fixed cost)	24'074	CHF
Ground-source heat pump (variable cost)	2'801	CHF/kW
E-mobility charger	400	CHF/kW
Electrical connection (medium voltage)	270	CHF/m
Electrical connection (low voltage)	200	CHF/m

Energy costs

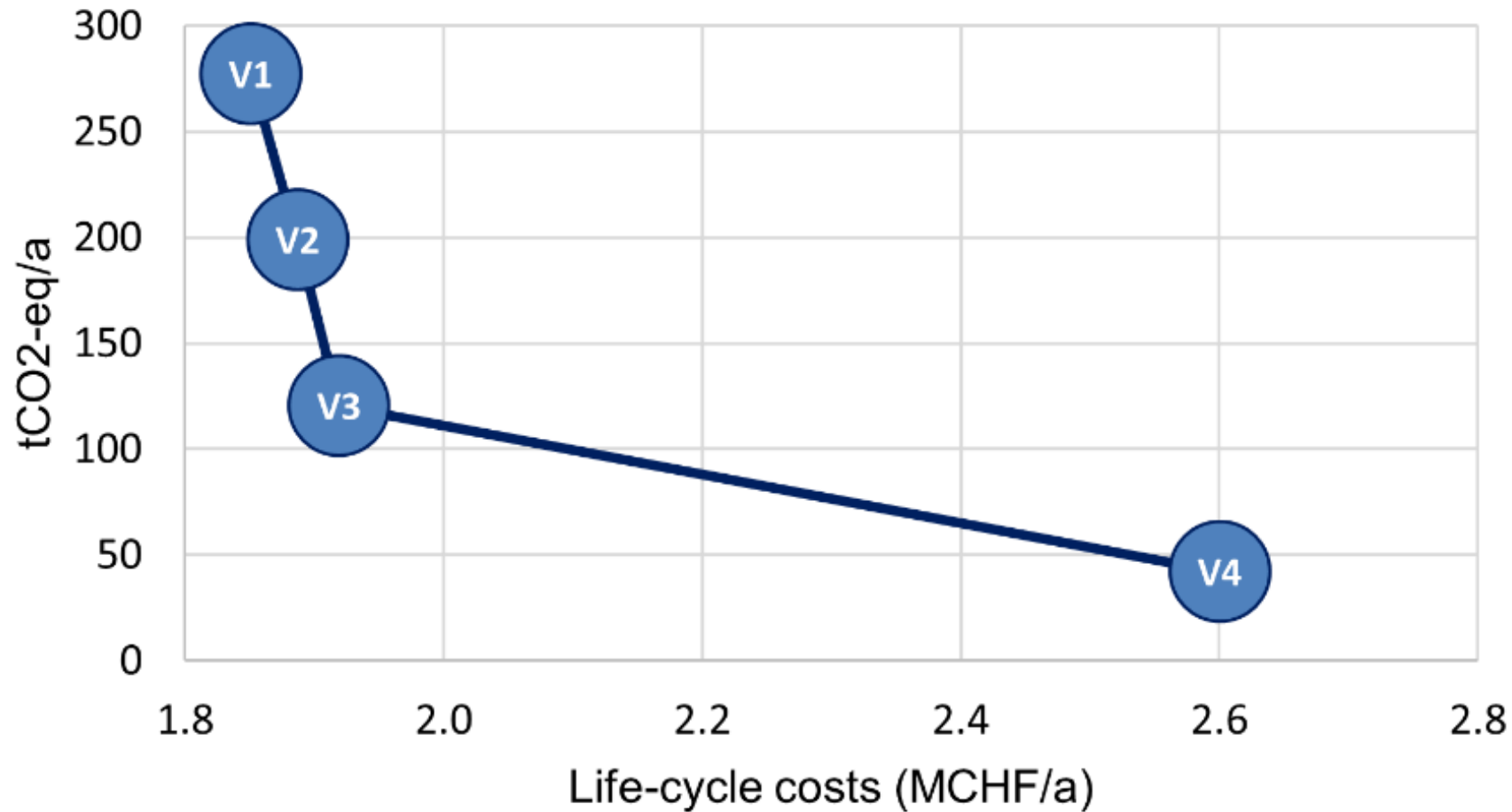
Electricity (energy price)	0.29	CHF/kWh
Electricity (capacity price)	11.9	CHF/kW/month
Diesel (Ecospeed)	0.10	CHF/kWh
HVO	0.241	CHF/kWh
District heating (energy price)	0.128	CHF/kWh
District heating (capacity price)	21.6	CHF/kW/a
Remuneration for electricity grid feed-in	0.110	CHF/kWh

Selected Key Model Parameters

CO₂ intensity of energy carriers

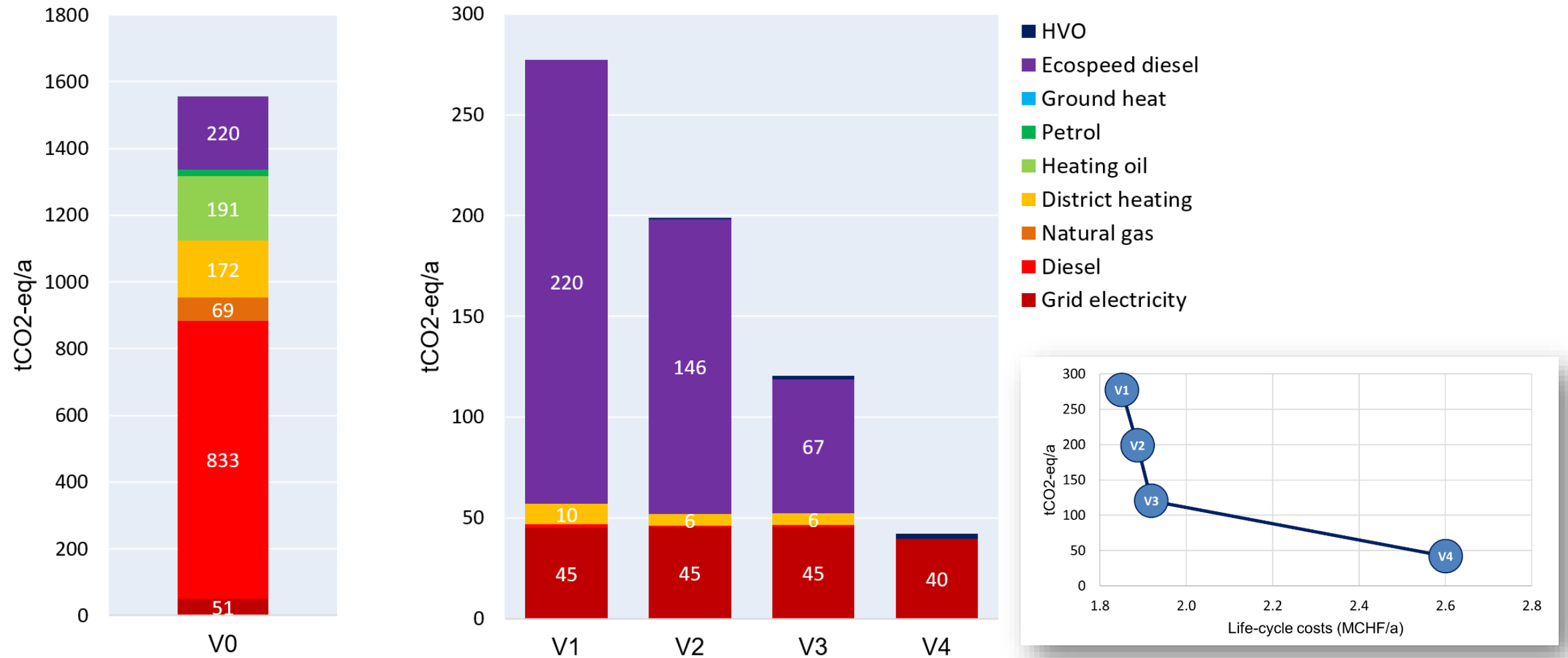
Grid electricity	0.012	kg-CO ₂ /kWh
Diesel (Ecospeed)	0.324	kg-CO ₂ /kWh
HVO	0.004	kg-CO ₂ /kWh
District heat (2035)	0.086	kg-CO ₂ /kWh

Optimal Scenarios along Pareto Front



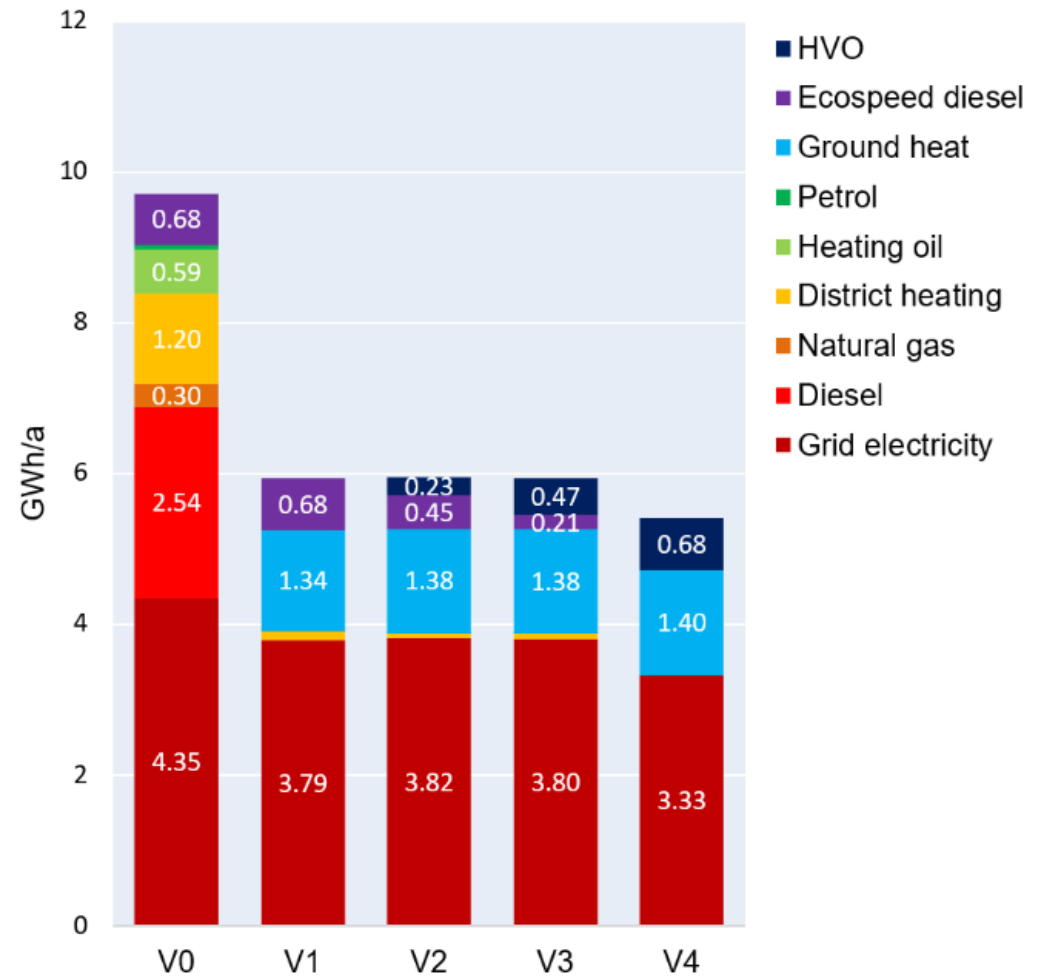
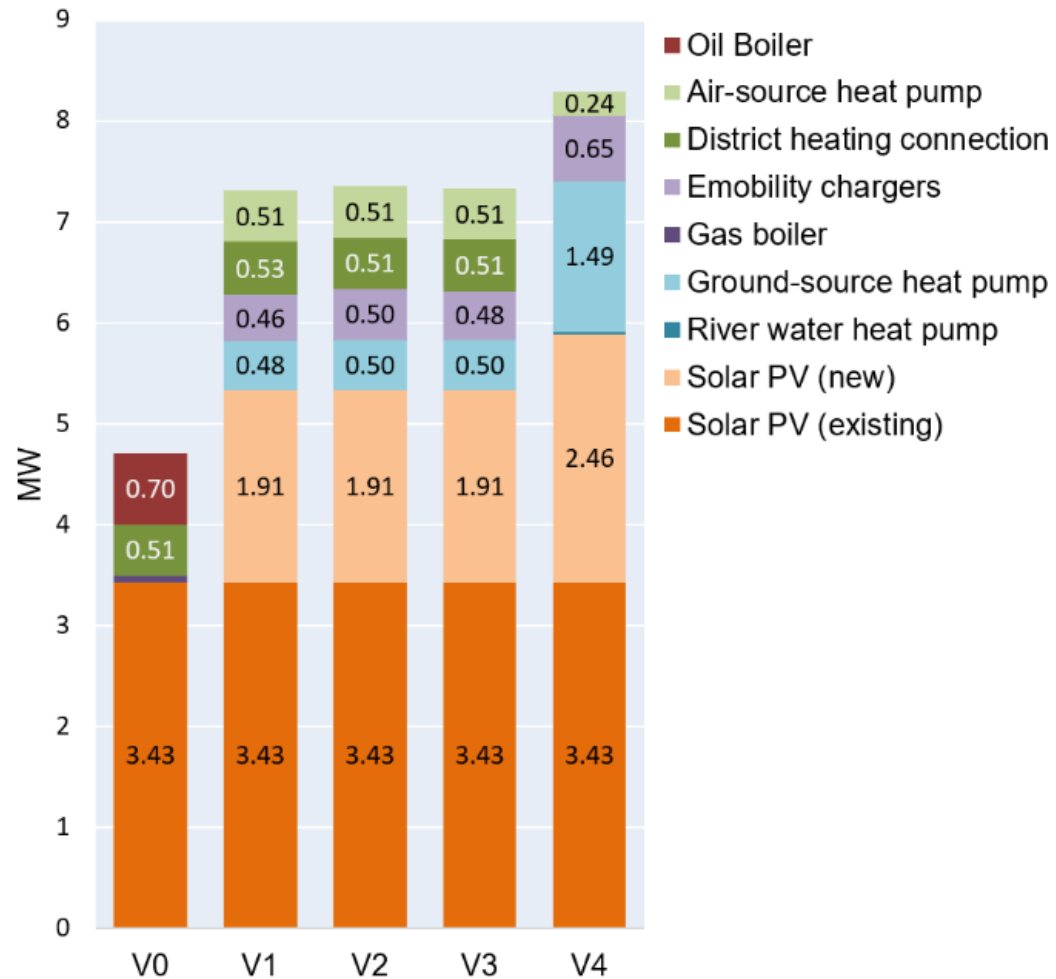
Integrated Energy System Simulation Results

GHG Emissions of Optimal Scenarios



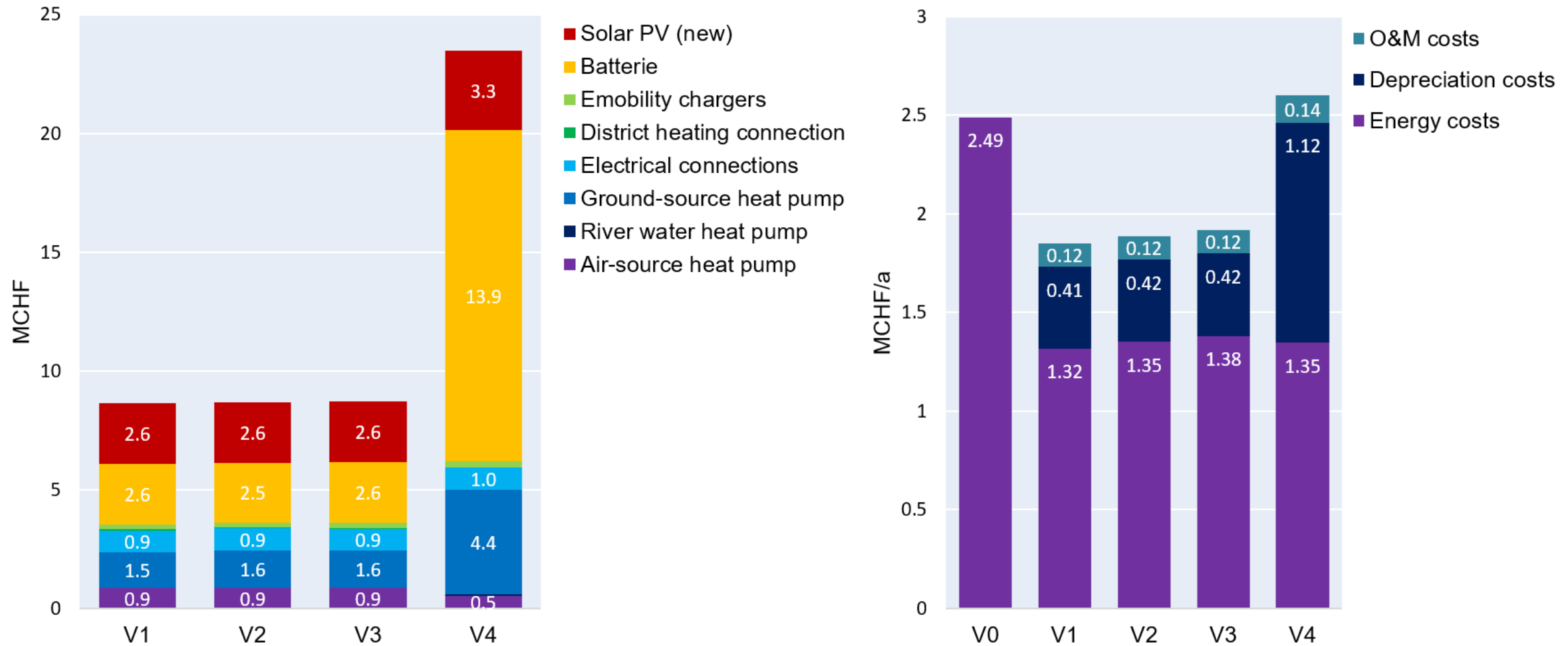
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Optimised Installed Capacities and Energy Use



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Technology Investment Costs and Total Annual Costs



Conclusions and Outlook

IES were used to demonstrate pathways for transforming a complex, multi-stakeholder industrial port area towards climate neutrality...

... while maintaining economic viability...

... and considering energy resilience of the perimeter.

Improvements of modelling, e.g. inclusion of heat storage

High upfront investments are needed, but life cycle costs are lower than «continue as before»

Concept for investments and operation under development

Please read our Conference Paper for more information.

Thank You!



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System Transformation (IES)

