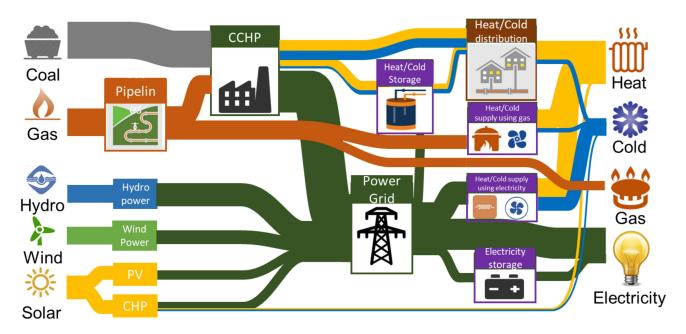
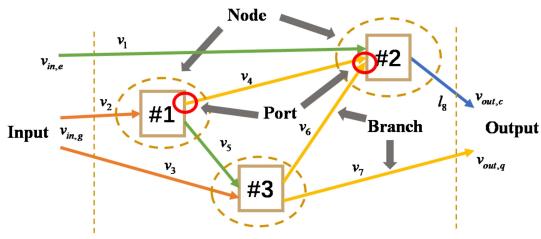
# **Multiple Energy Systems Integration**

MES denotes the integration of the generation, transmission, storage and consumption of electricity, heat, cooling and gas subsystems in modern energy systems, so as to obtain the so-called "Energy Internet". Driven by the information and communication technology, the synergy of different energy systems enables a more smarter management of energy than operating the each kind of energy system separately. Since the energy storage is much more inexpensive in gas and heat system, MES is able to largely improve the accommodation of renewable energy by employing the flexibility of gas and heat system as economic virtual energy storage. In adddtion, MES can unlock the flexibility of shifting across multiple energy vectors and result in improved overall efficiency, reduced costs and lower emissions compared to separate energy systems.



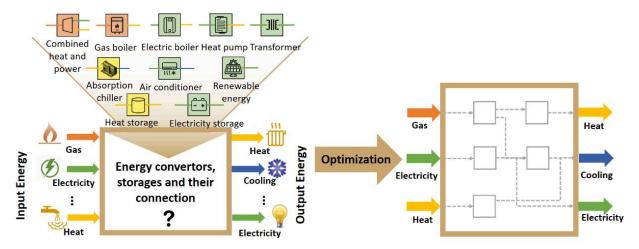
The main challenge for jointly analyzing MES is that the physical fundamental of electricity, heat, cold and gas systems are distinct. From a long history the electricity, heat, cold and gas system belongs to different utilities so that different energy systems are separately designed. There is neither mature methodology nor practical experience to adopt. We contribute to analyze energy production, conversion, storage, transmission and consumption from the perspective of MES. Specifically:

## Energy hub modeling, operation and planning



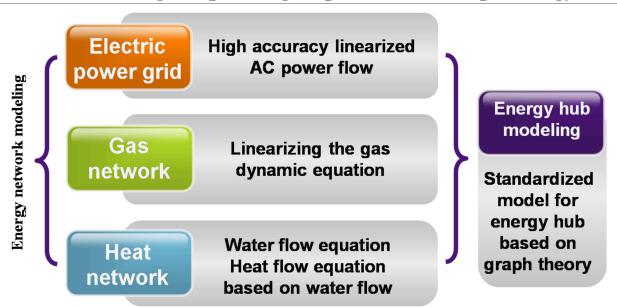
We propose a systematic and standardized modeling approach that facilitates the integrated planning of district MES. In the proposed methodology, a district MES is modeled as an energy hub, a unit with multiple energy

input port (energy source from outside) and output ports (load). The energy conversion, storage and distribution in MES should be modeled inner the energy hub. A standardized matrix modeling is developed based on graph theory, where the characteristics of energy converters/storage and their topology are expressed in matrix form. Based on the above methodology, an optimal MES configuration planning technique is developed.



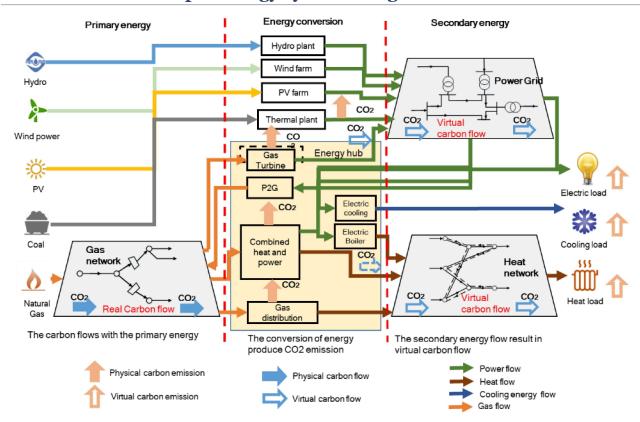
Such technique is able to design the MES without priory assumptions of the topology and capacity of the energy facility as well as energy flow configuration. Therefore, we name this technique a "starting from scratch" design technique for MES. It certainly can also be applied to the MES expansion planning.

### Network modeling and planning & operation of multiple energy networks



We propose approximated transient and steady matrix-form gas and heat flow model that facilitates the operation and planning of multiple energy networks. The interactions between electricity, gas and heat/cooling networks are becoming more complex with the development of distributed technologies such as gas-fired units which has made power systems more vulnerable to failures in natural gas networks. The dynamic characteristics of gas and heat flow are remarkably slower than those of power flow, which should be appropriately modeled to explore its benefits for power system operation. Take transient gas flow as an example, to avoid directly applying partial differential equations overly complicates the already complicated generation scheduling problem, we propose an approximated transient matrix-form gas flow model. We successfully avoid the nonlinearity of gas flow constraints by developing a new solution methodology. The proposed matrix-form transient model of a gas network is further applied in robust generation scheduling model considering the dynamic security constraints of gas networks. We also propose approximated steady matrix-form gas and heat flow model for jointly planning of multi-energy networks and EHs.

#### Low carbon of multiple energy system integration



We propose a novel analytical model for carbon emission flow (CEF) in MES to quantify the carbon emission associated with the energy delivery and conversion process. The embedded carbon emission in MES is coupled among the energy flow across different energy systems. The understanding of how the embedded carbon emission should be allocated along with the energy delivery and conversion is significant in the policy making and market design to facilitate the carbon emission reduction. In the proposed model, the explicit CEF models for different energy networks, including the power network, gas network and heating network, and energy converters are established. The CEF model for an energy hub (EH) is further formulated to analyze the flow of carbon emission across different energy systems during the conversion process. Furthermore, we use the CEF model to allocate the overall carbon emission cap among district MES from the consumption-based perspective and to coordinate the planning and dispatch of the district level and the multi-regional level MES.

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