

Connected, secure, two-way grid assets

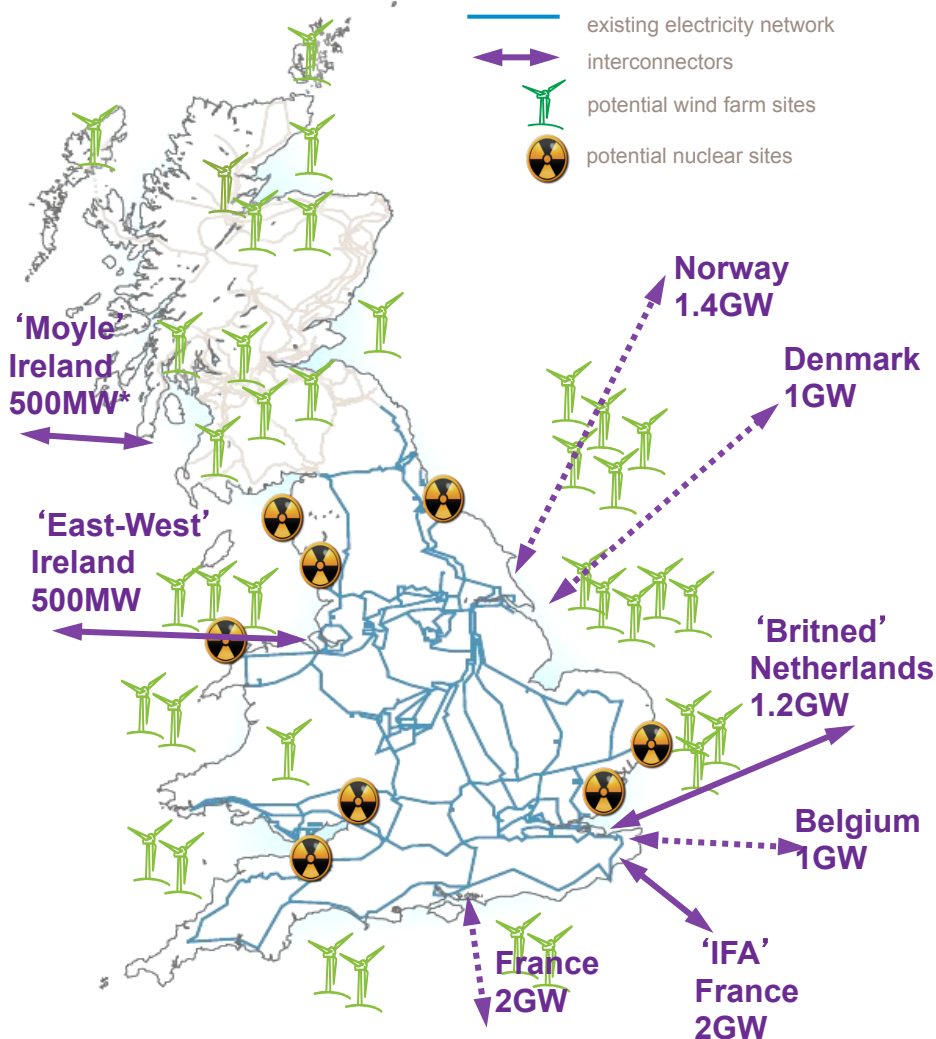


Richard Smith
Head of Energy Strategy & Policy

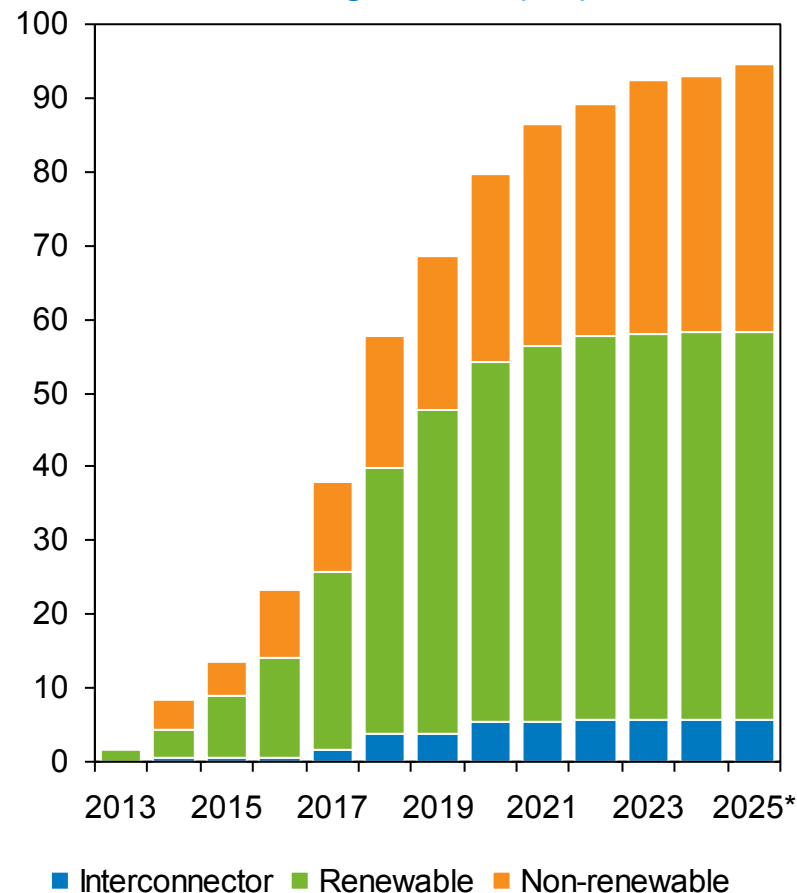
5th Annual Smart Grids & Cleanpower 2013 Conference
5 June 2013 Cambridge

www.cir-strategy.com/events/cleanpower

The changing grid



Cumulative contracted generation (GW)

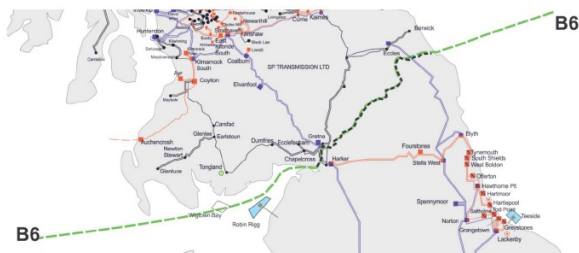


Source: National Grid TNQCU – March 2013.

* No new contracted generation after 2025.

Renewable fuel types: Biomass, Hydro, Tidal, Wave, Wind

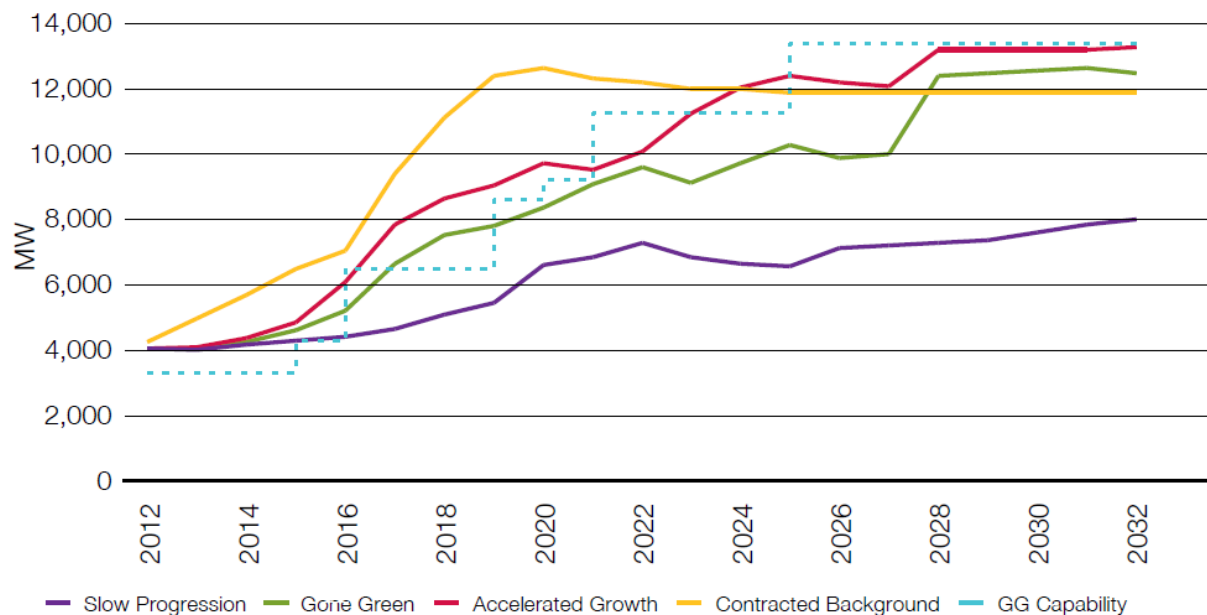
The need for a smarter system: B6 boundary example



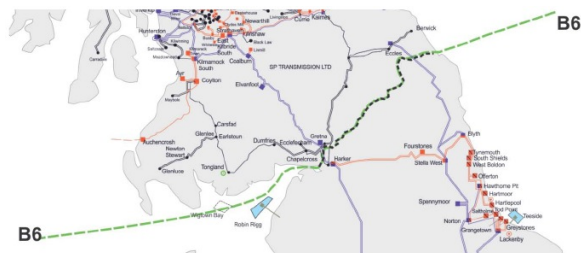
Boundary B6 is the boundary between SP transmission and NGET.

Scotland typically contains an excess of generation leading to mostly north-south power flows as the most likely stress condition.

Current capability is limited to around 3.3GW



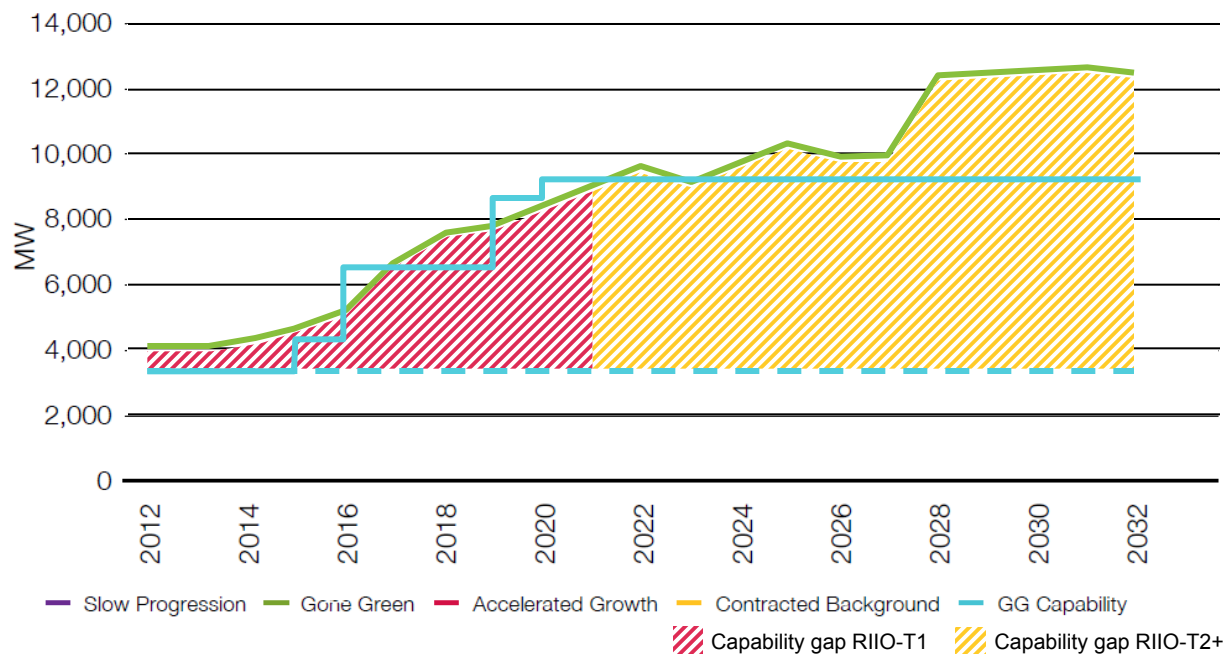
The need for a smarter system: B6 boundary example



Boundary B6 is the boundary between SP transmission and NGET.

Scotland typically contains an excess of generation leading to mostly north-south power flows as the most likely stress condition.

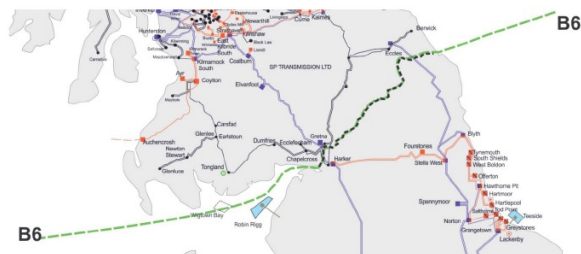
Current capability is limited to around 3.3GW



Solutions:

- Invest in primary assets to deliver physical capability eg:
 - Harker–Hutton, Eccles–Stella West and Strathaven–Harker series compensation.
 - 2.4GW Western HVDC link (submarine HVDC cable route from Deeside to Hunterston).
 - ~2 GW Eastern HVDC link (submarine HVDC cable route from Peterhead to Hawthorn Pit via Torness).
 - Harker–Strathaven reconductoring and series compensation

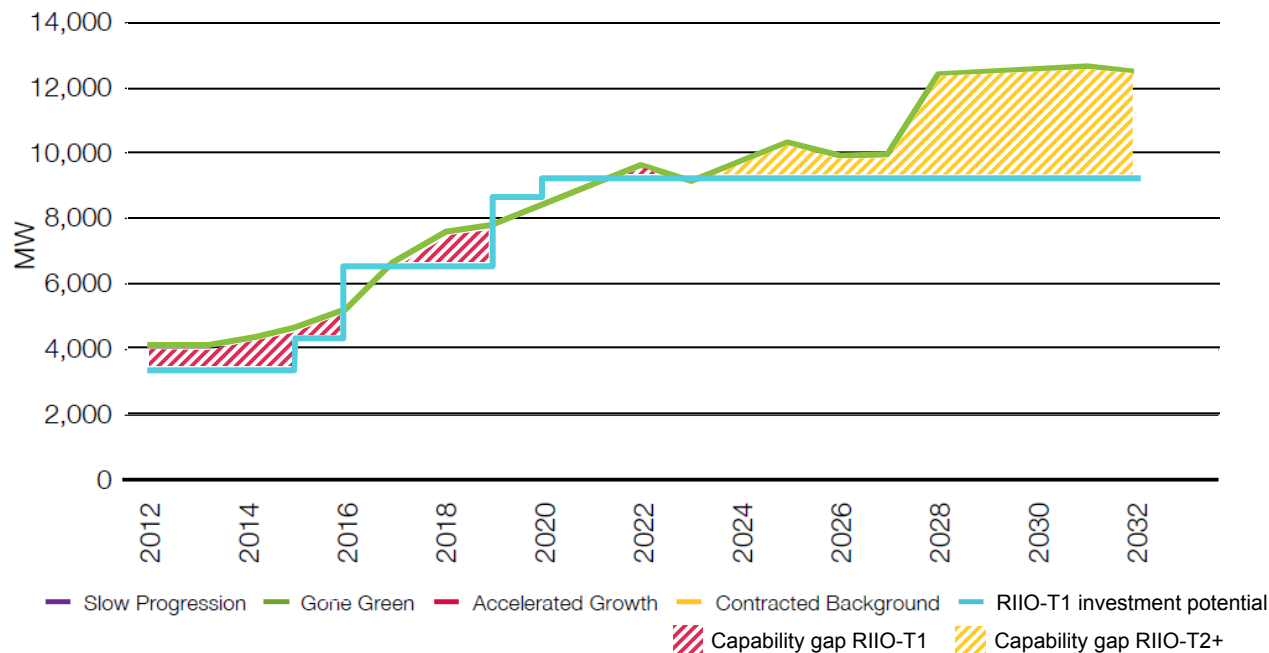
The need for a smarter system: B6 boundary example



Boundary B6 is the boundary between SP transmission and NGET.

Scotland typically contains an excess of generation leading to mostly north-south power flows as the most likely stress condition.

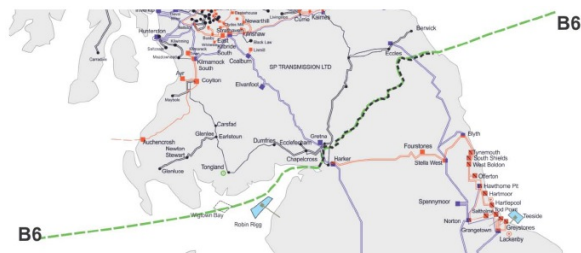
Current capability is limited to around 3.3GW



Solutions:

- Invest in primary assets to deliver physical capability
- Invest in secondary assets to enhance capability eg:
 - Circuit rating enhancement
 - Risk management
 - Condition monitoring
 - Remote asset management and monitoring

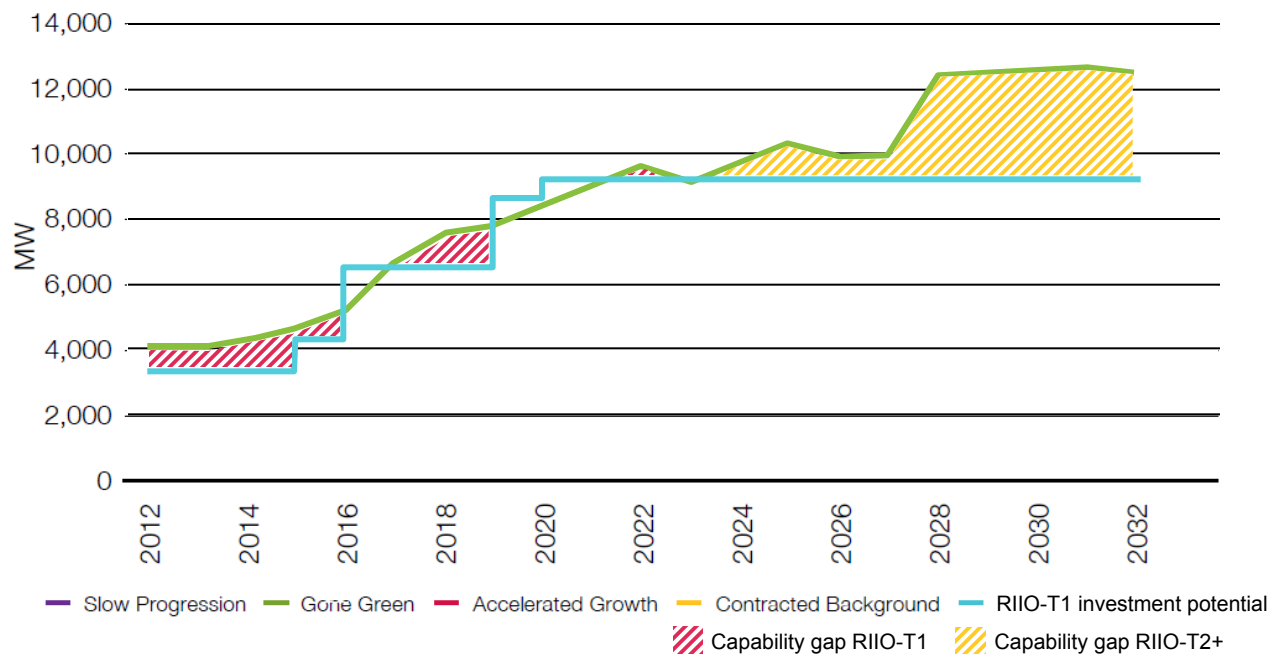
The need for a smarter system: B6 boundary example



Boundary B6 is the boundary between SP transmission and NGET.

Scotland typically contains an excess of generation leading to mostly north-south power flows as the most likely stress condition.

Current capability is limited to around 3.3GW

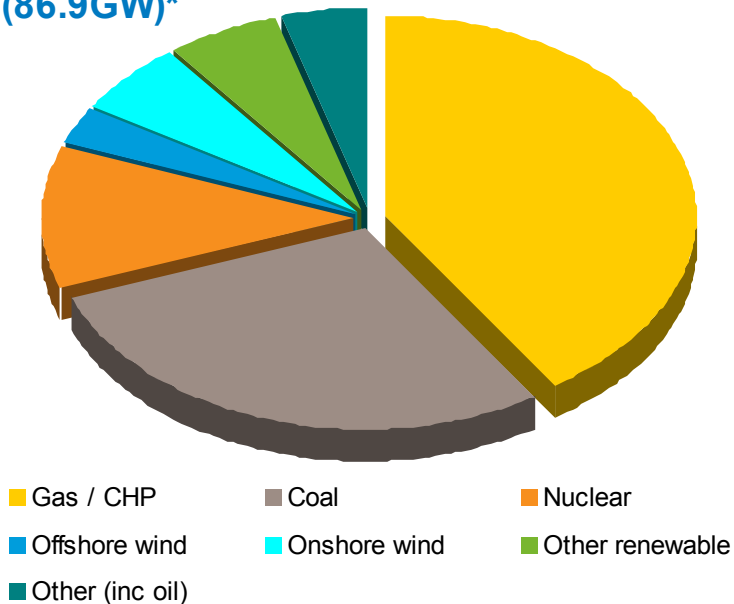


Solutions:

- Invest in primary assets to deliver physical capability
- Invest in secondary assets to enhance capability
- Invest in commercial solutions:
 - Flex generation
 - Interconnection
 - Storage
 - Demand management

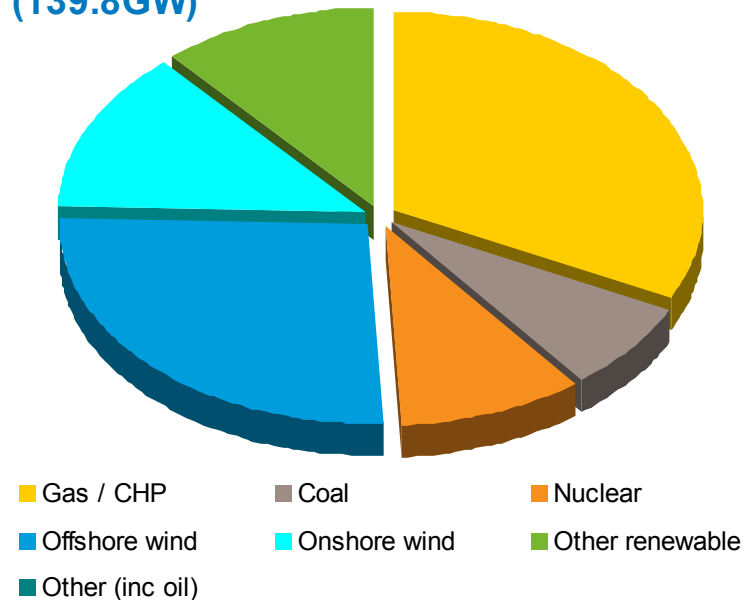
Flex generation

2012 generation capacity
(86.9GW)*



~75%
flexible thermal

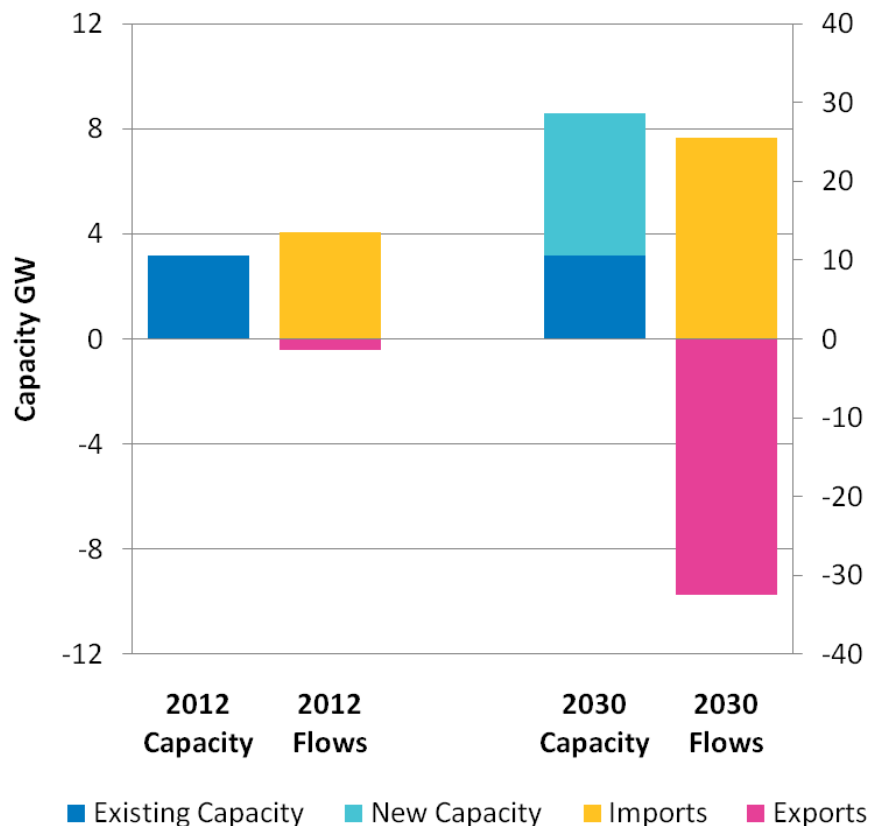
2030 generation capacity
(139.8GW)*



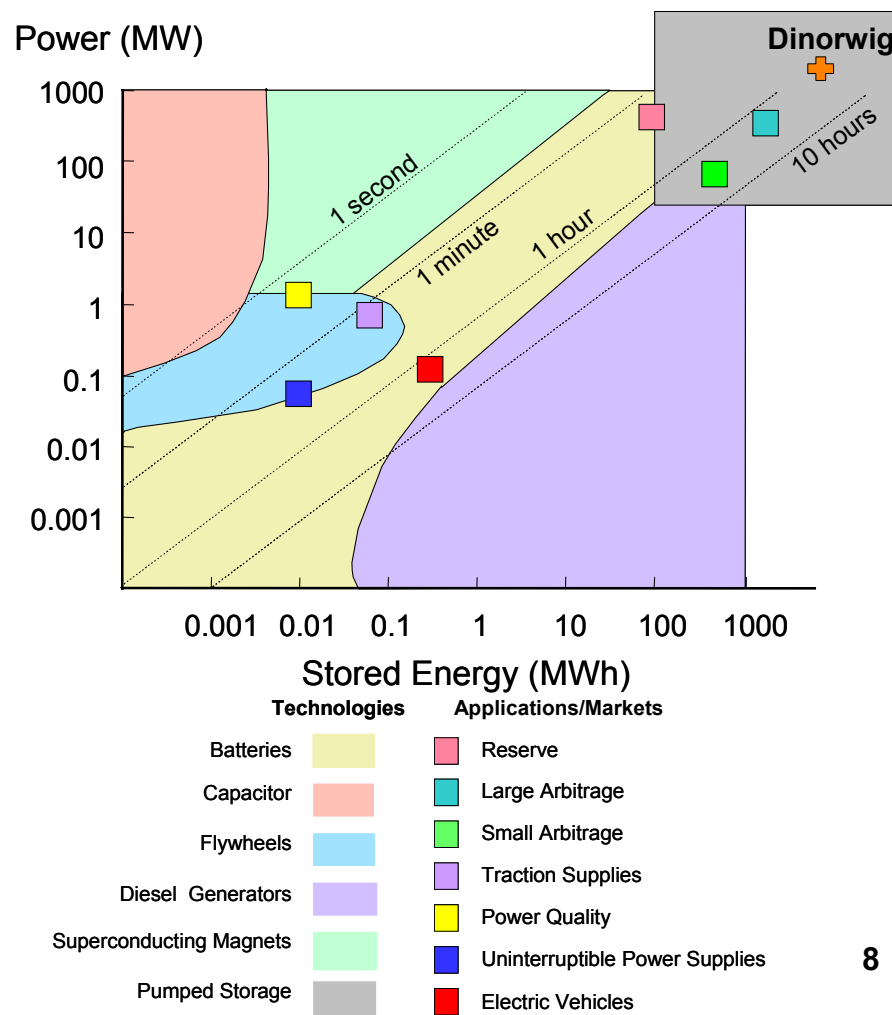
~40%
flexible thermal

Interconnection & storage (grid scale)

Interconnectors

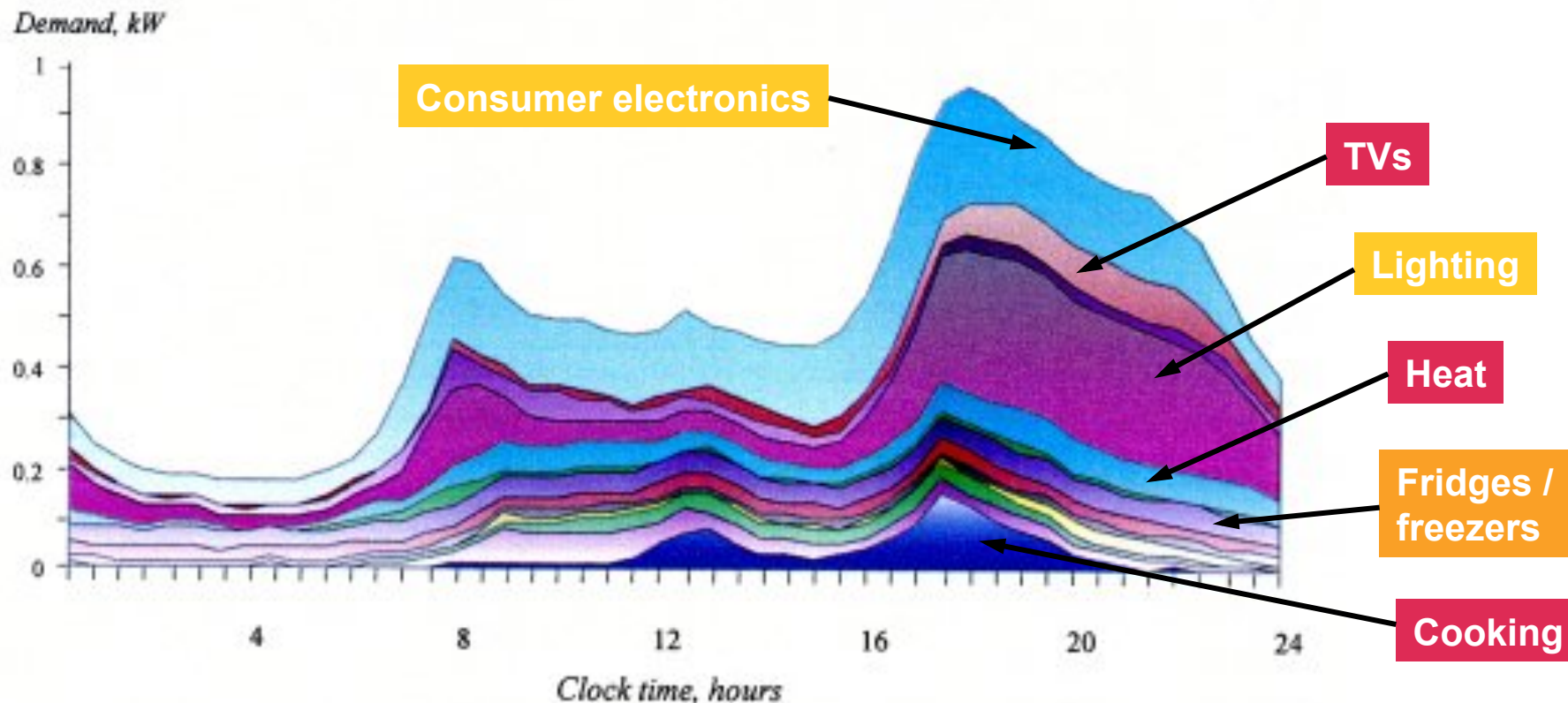


Storage



Demand management

Average consumer demand profile for winter peak ~2010



Heat pumps and electric vehicles will dominate the demand profile in 2030
Time of Use Tariffs should increase variability between users and days

Heat – where networks meet...

Key ‘technical’ challenge:

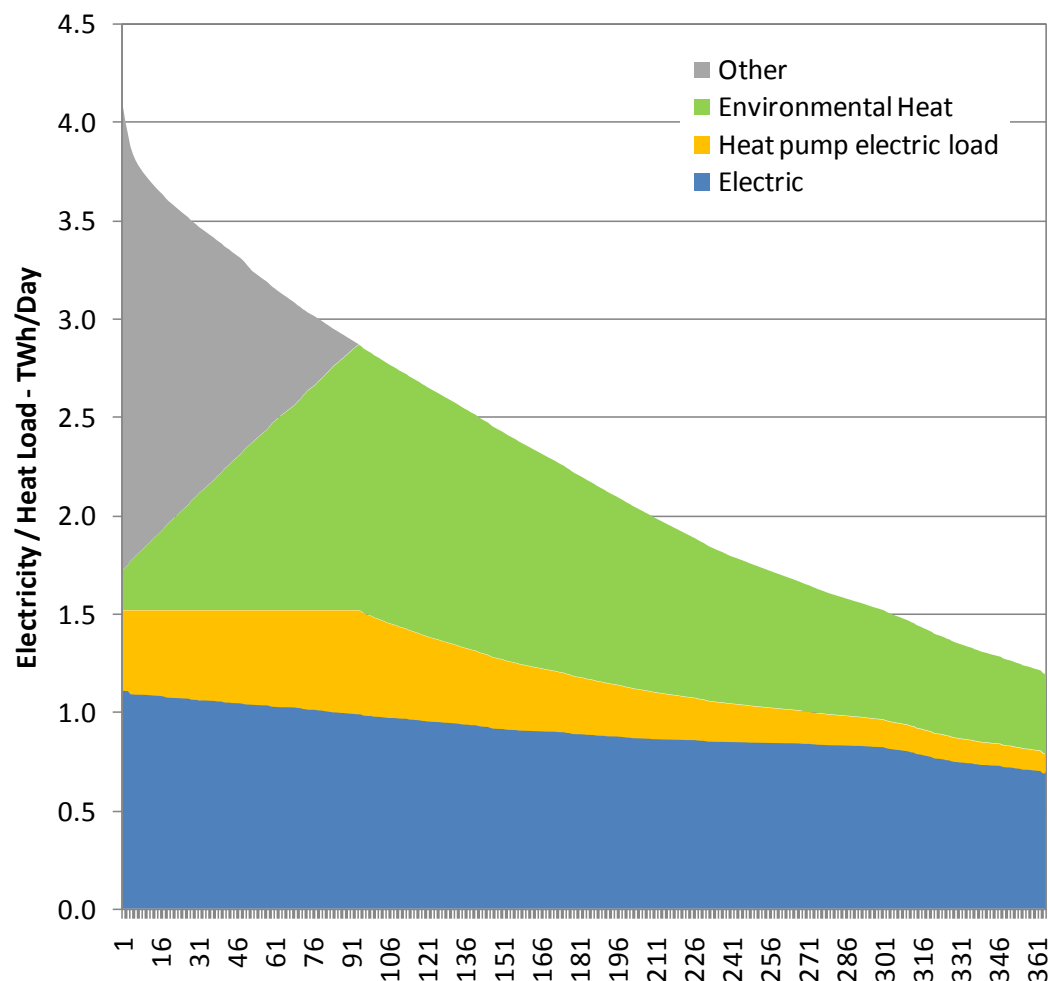
HEAT DEMAND IS HIGHLY VARIABLE

- Seasonality drives heat demand:
 - Summer minimum of ~500GWh/day
 - Winter maximum of ~3,000GWh/day
- Heat pump efficiency reduces significantly with colder external temperatures (coefficient of performance range: 1.5 to 5)

Key policy considerations:

GAS HAS AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY

- Full electrification will be highly costly (100GW – 150GW new electricity capacity required, at low load factors)
- Hybrid solutions including gas, heat networks & electrification can decarbonise heat economically
- Increased insulation is essential in all cases



At the heart of the energy transformation...

