



STORHY

Automotive Hydrogen Storage Systems

STORHY – A European Integrated Project

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STORHY - General Project Information



“Hydrogen Storage Systems for Automotive Application”
Integrated Project n° 502667 within the EU FP6

Co-ordinator: MAGNA STEYR Fahrzeugtechnik AG & Co KG
Time frame: 2004 – 2008 (4,5 years)
Official project start: March 1st, 2004
Budget: € 18.7 mio
EU contribution: € 10.7 mio
Website: www.storhy.net

34 partners from 13 European countries
(5 OEMs, 14 research institutes and 15 supplier companies)

STORHY - Vision

... to introduce *innovative* and *competitive* hydrogen storage solutions for cars and busses as quickly as possible

Gas:
700 bar Technologies



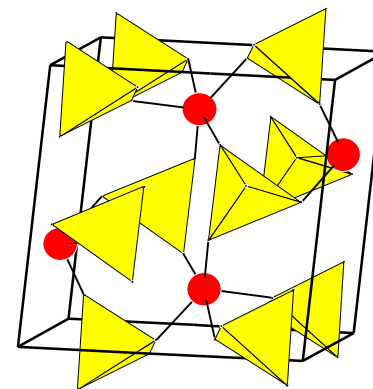
Source: Dynetek

Liquid:
Lightweight
free form tank



Source: BMW Group

Solid:
Advanced Alanates



Source: FZK

Definition of Automotive Requirements

Excerpt only!



**Mercedes Benz FC vehicle
with CH₂ tank**



**BMW ICE vehicle
with LH₂ tank**

Parameter	Unit	StorHy Target 2010
Driving Range	km	600
Hydrogen Storage Mass	kg	6 - 10
System Gra. Energy Density	kWh/kg wt%	2.0 6
System Vol. Energy Density	kWh/l kg H ₂ /100l	1.5 4.5
Operating Temp.	°C	-40 to +85
Refuelling Rate	kg H ₂ /min	1.2
Delivery rate (max)	g H ₂ /sec	2.0 FC
Min. Pressure	bar	6
Permeation rate	H ₂ Ncm ³ /h per l internal volume	EIHP II 1
Loss of usable H ₂ (boil-off)	g/h per stored kg H ₂	1

Advanced C-H₂-Pressure Vessel

700 bar Type IV vessels



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“32 L” @ 700 bar

Liner : Nylon Patented (rotomolded)

Composite : “Basic Design”

- Internal volume : 34 L (37 L @ 700 bar)
- Weight : 28 kg
- Gravimetric capacity : 5,3 % w



C-H₂ Filling Technology

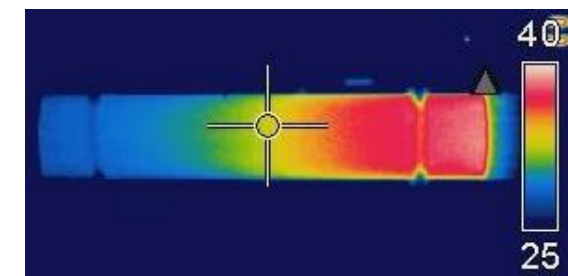
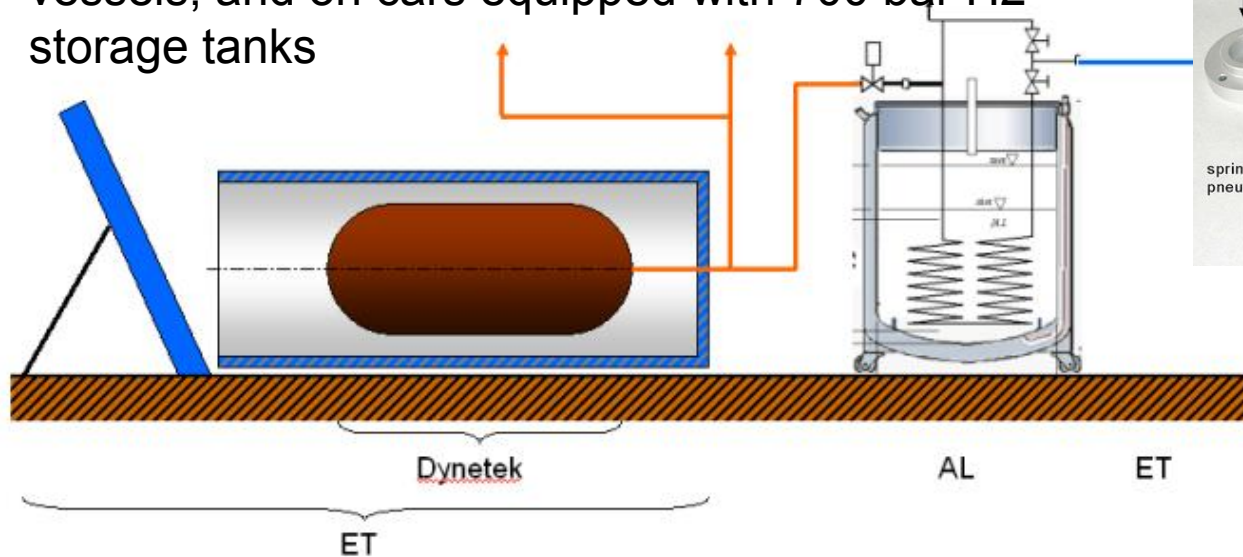
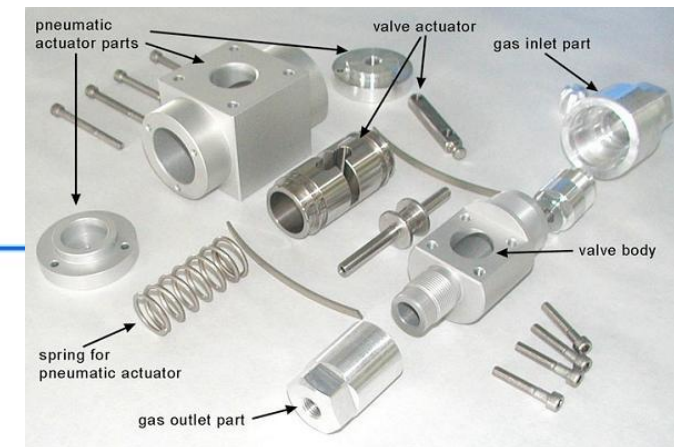
700 bar Filling Technology

Filling procedure of 700 bar H₂ pressure vessels

Breakaway system and high pressure linear valve

Understanding **heating effects** during fast filling, and evaluating “**warm**” and “**cold**” filling methods

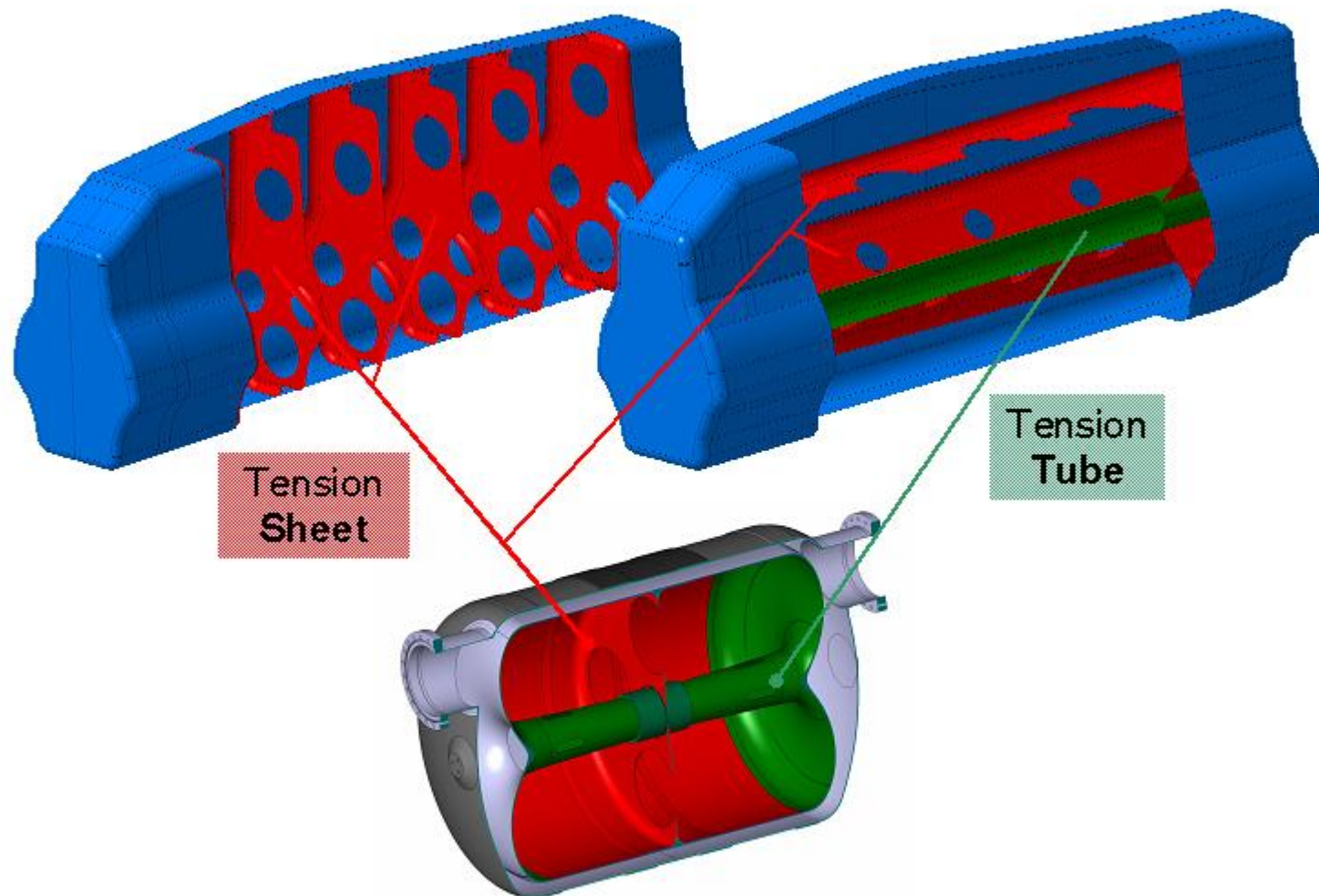
Validation at fueling stations on new pressure vessels, and on cars equipped with 700 bar H₂ storage tanks



Design of Cryogenic Tanks

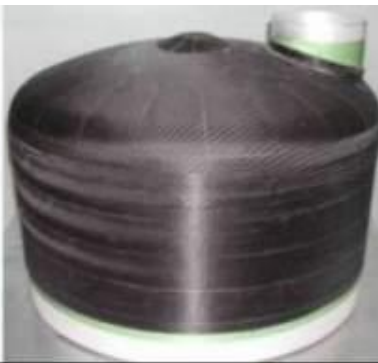
Design Process of Cylindrical and Free Form Tank applying the same Design Elements

Free-Form
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Cylindrical



Prototypes Tanks

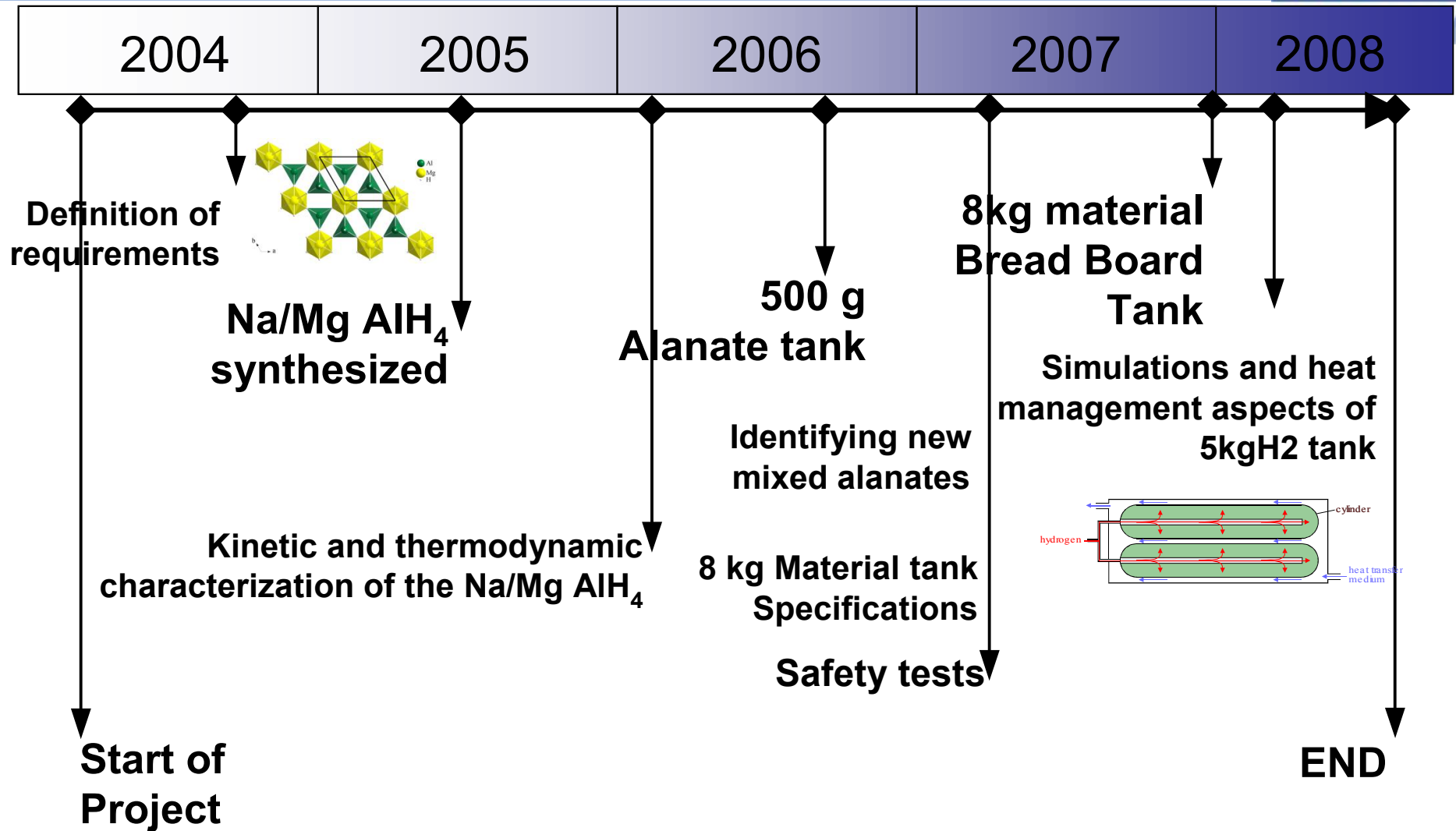
Manufacturing & pre-assembly:



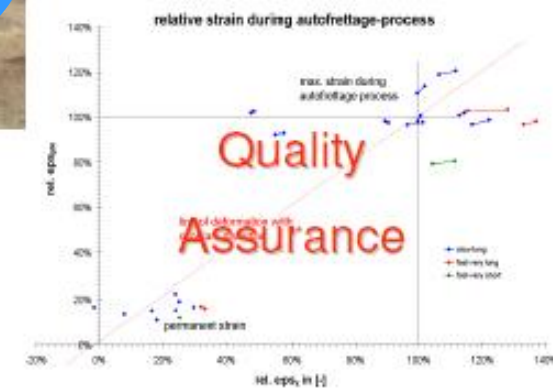
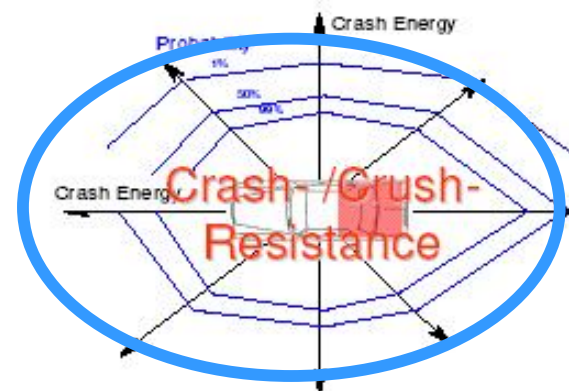
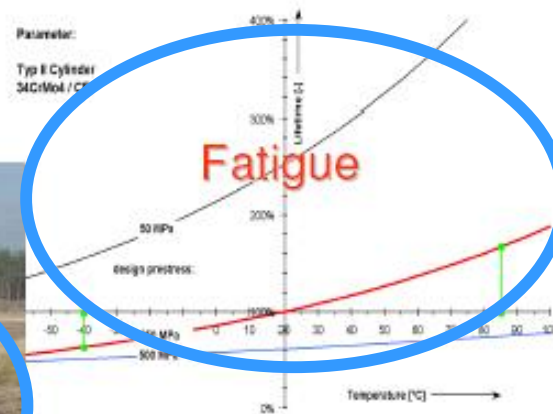
Flexible pipe:



SP Solid: Major Milesstones

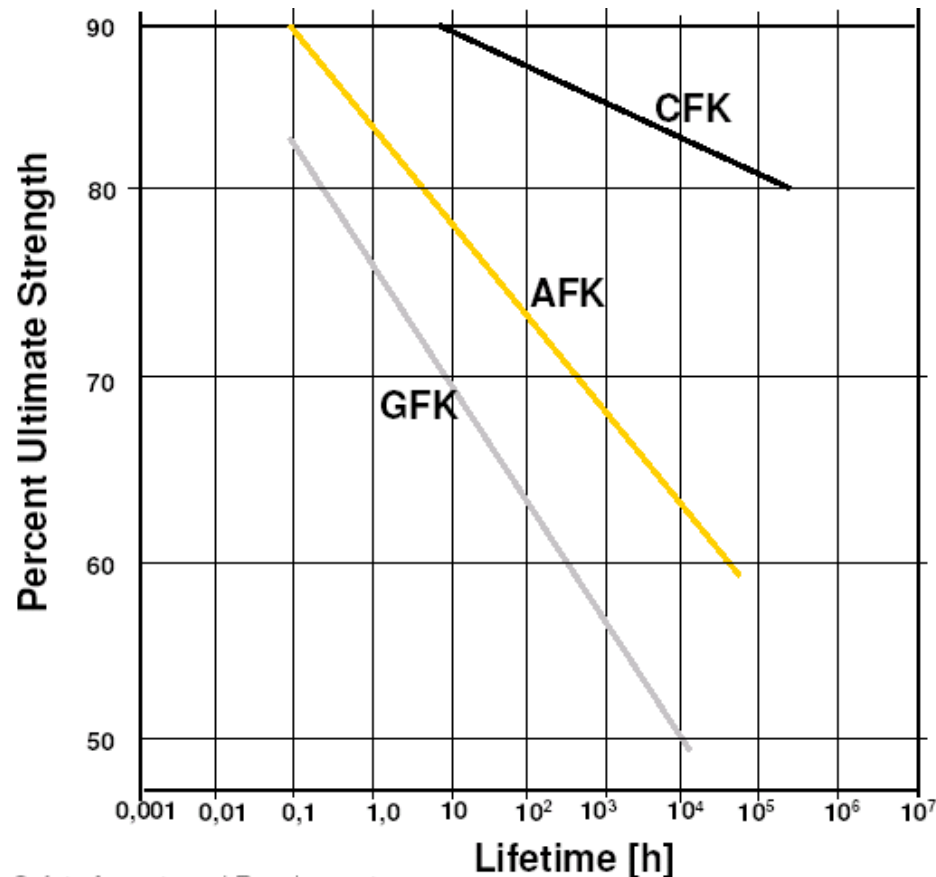


Safety Aspects



Stress Ratio Factors

Long term properties of different composite materials



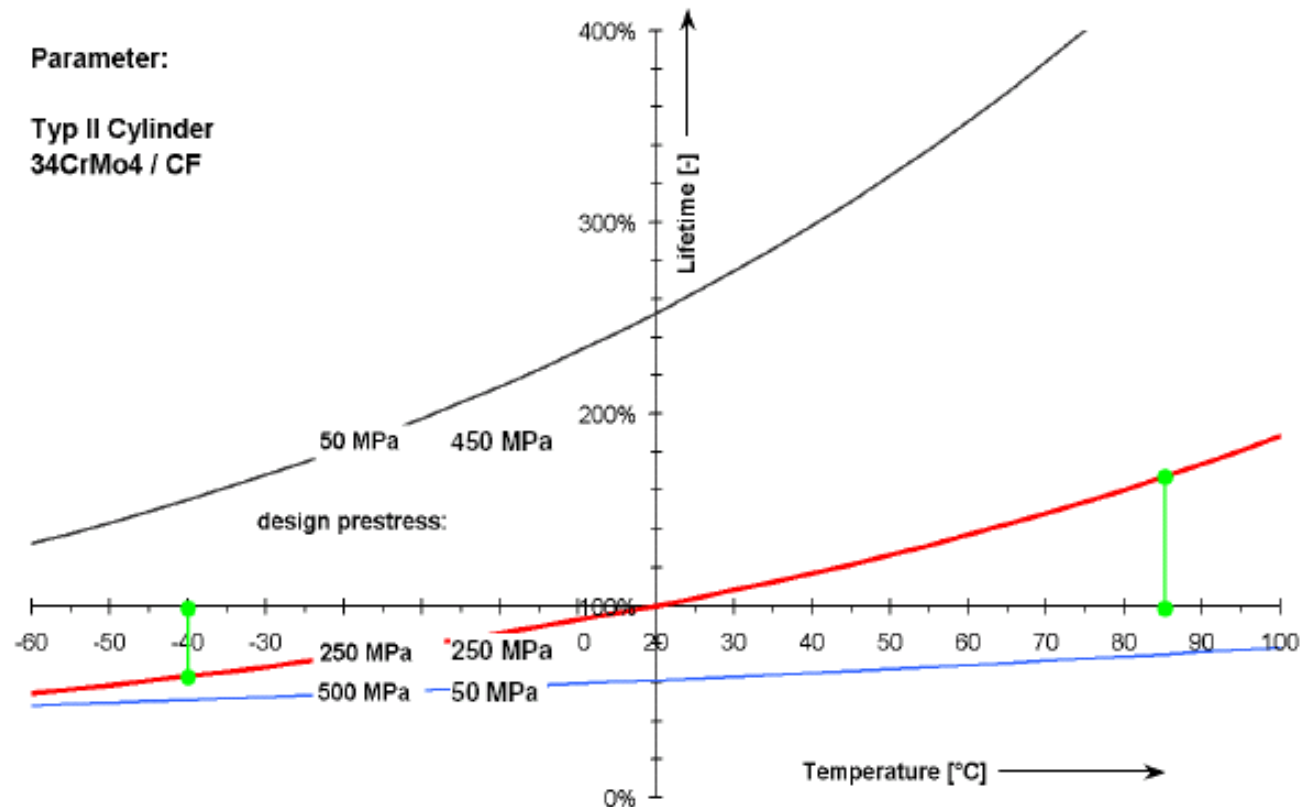
CF: 2,35

Material data: 1980 –1990

Status quo?



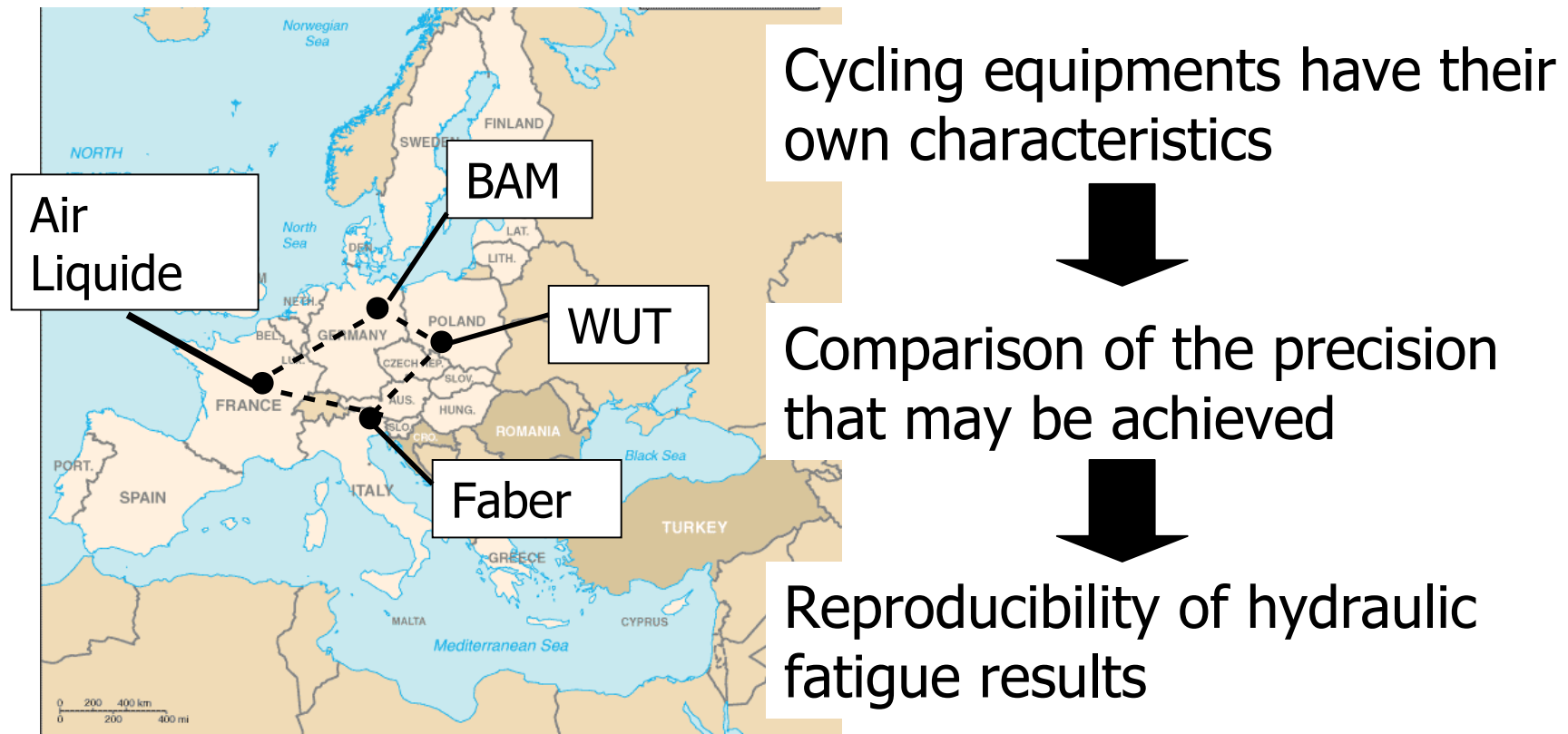
Metal Liner: Fatigue Behaviour



- Temperature influence on the fatigue behaviour
- 3x 5000 cycles required?

Interlaboratory Tests

Round robin: Pressure cycling tests



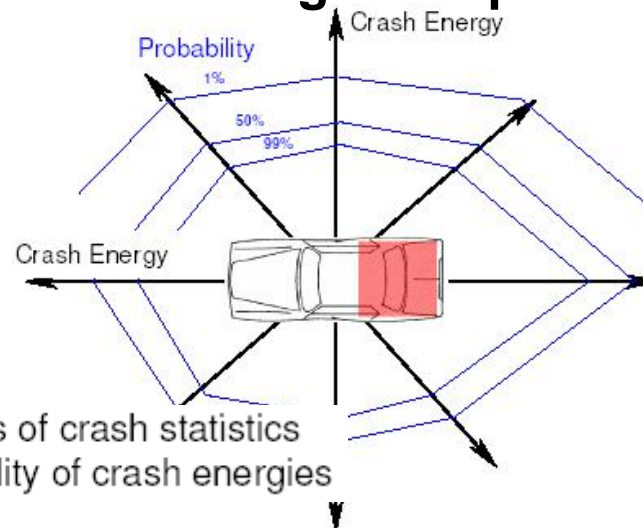
Crash Resistance

The drop test according the current draft (UN-ECE WP 29) for hydrogen vehicles does not cover the real accident scenario.

The crash energy has not been considered!

The drop test covers only handling accidents during installation and inspection.

Analysis of real crash energies required

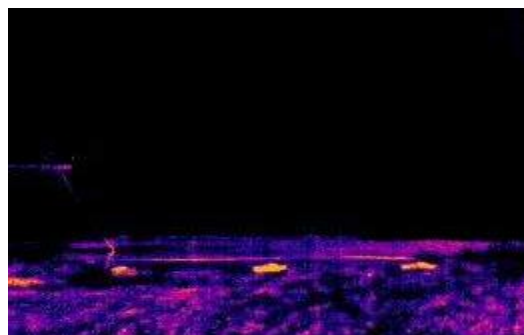


Polar diagram: Analysis of crash statistics concerning the probability of crash energies

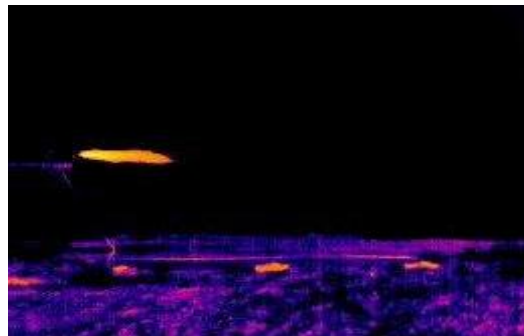


Chemical safety experience of Alanate powders

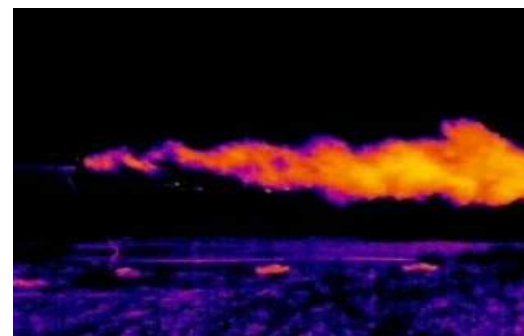
t=0 ms



t=30 ms



t=320 ms



Probabilistic Approach

StorHy-Systems are primarily designed to cover the standards and not a certain level of reliability.

Improvement of e. g. the hydrogen storage technology is possible by a probabilistic design and approval in order:

- ⇒ to achieve a lower weight,
- ⇒ to achieve a decrease of material consumption,
- ⇒ to achieve a cheaper manufacturing process....

...at a safety level which is on no account lower than today.

Thank you for your patience

