

Discussions on dynamic characteristics for electrolysis and e-fuel production

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Typical PtX system













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Slow step Energy consumption step E.g., preheating, safety check, gas purging ...

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Also depends on single stack size E.g.,

- Alkaline: more than 10 Mw
- PEM: Mw
- SOE: below 100 kW







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High-pressure SOE setup - MESH project

AC:DC operation Pressure: 0-6 bar Temperature: up to 750°C Single cell/short stack testing (30-100 W)

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Pilot-scale methanol plant - Power2Met project

- 220 tons / year e-methanol
- o 60 Nm3/h H2
- (250 kW Alkaline electrolyzer)
- o 20 Nm3/h CO2 (Gas bottle)
- o Operating pressure: 30 bar
- o Operating temperature: 200-300°C





Dynamic modeling by Aspen Plus



Power-to-X system and dynamic modeling









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Thank you!

