



Extending Oleochemistry: Glycerin to Propylene Glycol and how Industry 4.0 enters Oleochemical Industry

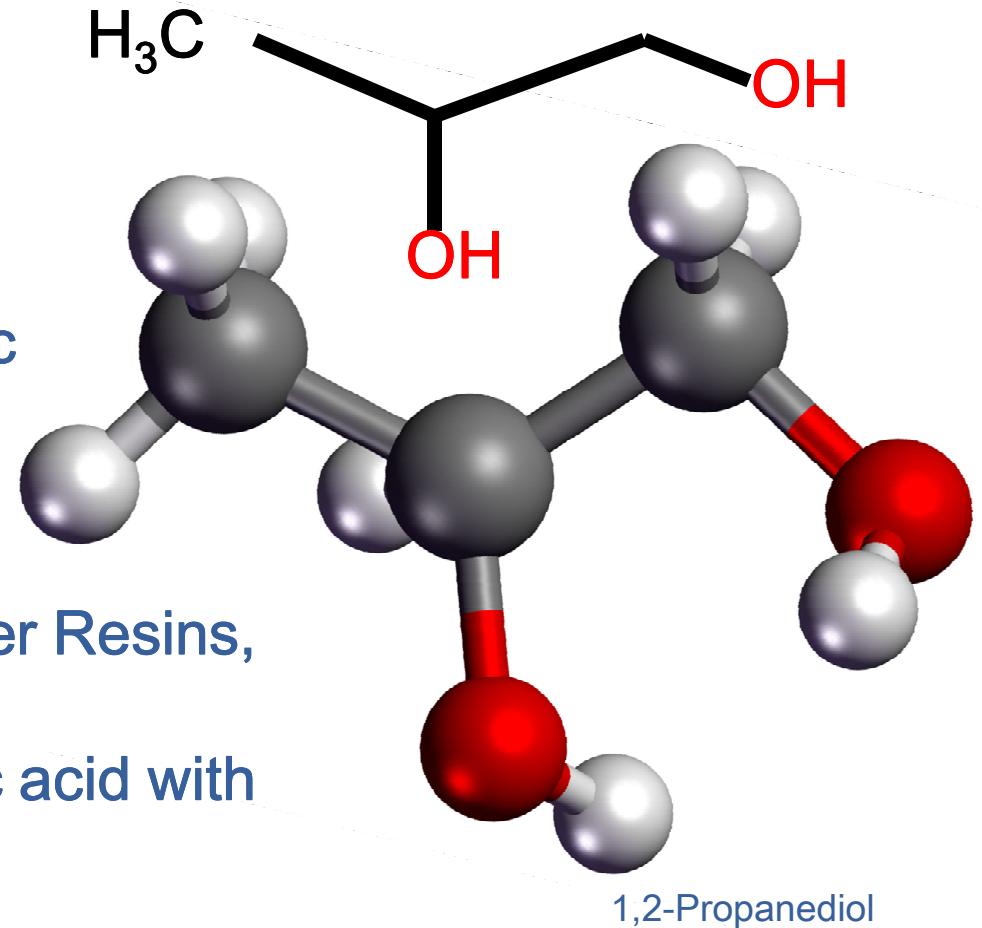


Why Propylene Glycol?

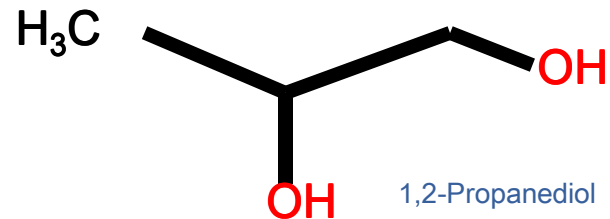


- Propylene Glycol (PG) = 1,2-Propanediol
PG is a versatile chemical and a non-toxic alternative to Ethylene Glycol, e.g in Functional Fluids

Main application are unsaturated Polyester Resins, glass fiber reinforced polyester resins (by polycondensation of Maleic acid & Phtalic acid with Propylene glycol)



Why Propylene Glycol?



- Propylene Glycol (PG) - as we can expect from the molecular structure and its similarity to glycerin - is soluble in water as a polar component
- Similar to glycerin it has a high boiling point, and a sweet taste, and is non-toxic
- In contrast to glycerin PG does not increase the viscosity in the same way at low temperature and high concentrations
- PG due to its similarity to propanol is also soluble in many organic solvents respectively can dissolve many organic components, which makes it suitable for cosmetics and pharmaceuticals
- PG shall not be confused with the toxic Ethylene Glycol

Why Propylene Glycol?

Ideal downstream product from Glycerin

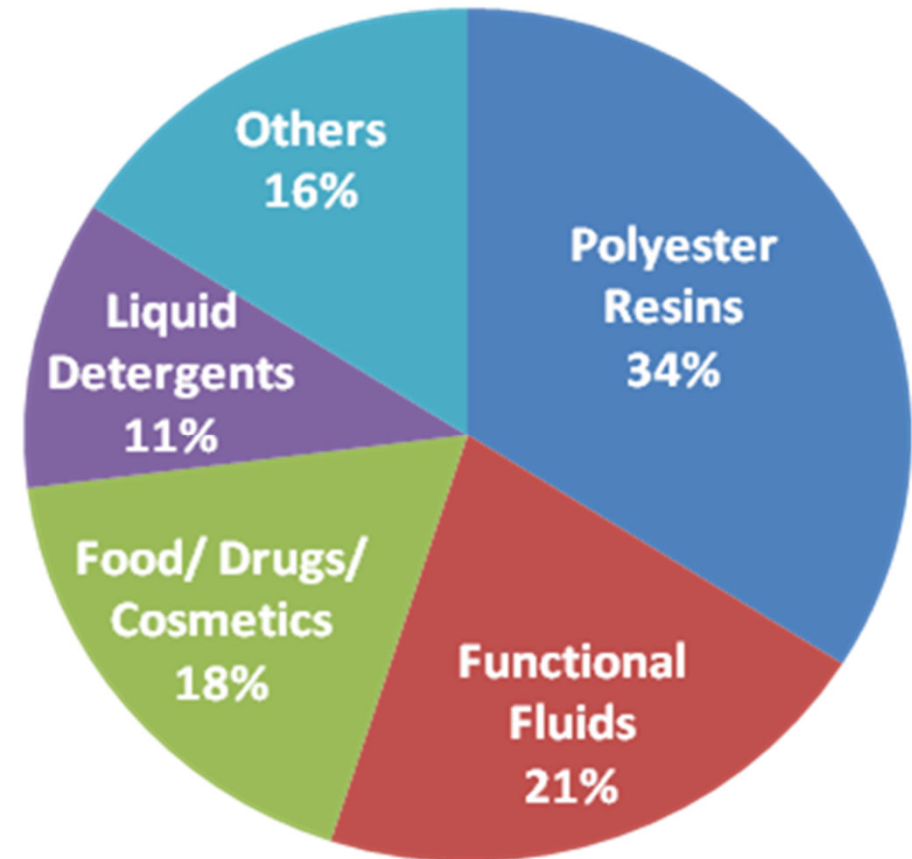
2018: Global Propylene Glycol Market

Installed Capacity	2800 ktpa*
Demand	2200 ktpa
Demand CAGR (2012-23)	4.50%

Compound annual growth rate



Propylene Glycol: Applications

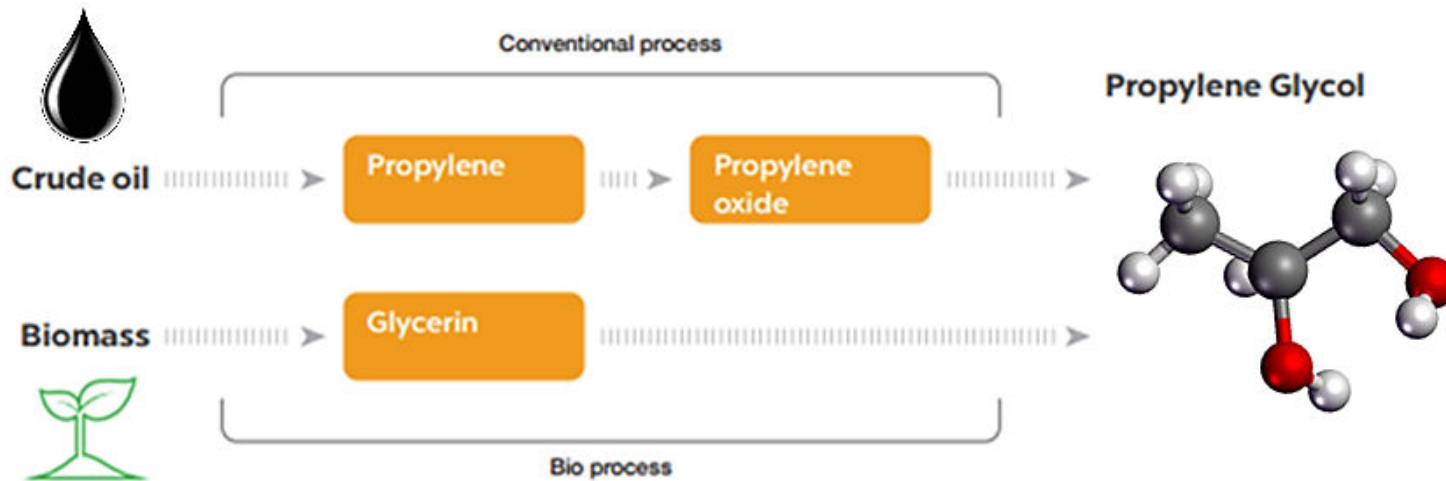


Why Bio Propylene Glycol?

Sizeable & growing market

- More and more applications call for 'green', glycerin available from biodiesel and oleochemistry
- Conventional route more complex and more expensive

Oxidation of Propylene with organic hydroperoxides to Propylene oxide $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2 + \text{RO}_2\text{H} \rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{O} + \text{ROH}$
 Followed by hydration and ring opening to Propylene glycol $\text{CH}_3\text{CHCH}_2\text{O} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow \text{C}_3\text{H}_8\text{O}_2$



Simultaneous Dehydration and Hydrogenation of Glycerin

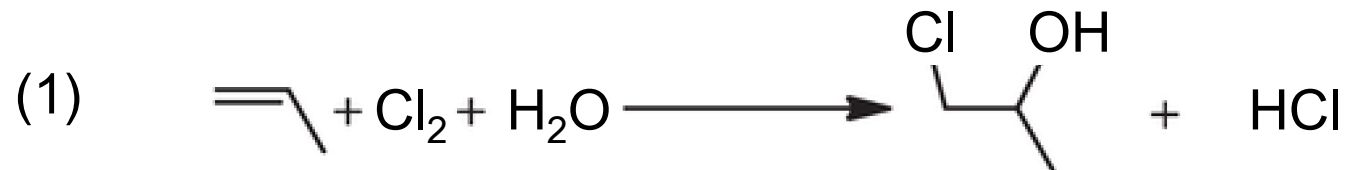


Why Bio Propylene Glycol?



In China the old and less environmental friendly chlorohydration (1) process of propylene to Monochloropropanol followed by epoxidation (2) to Propylene oxide is the major route. While in the rest of the world direct oxidation of propylene (see previous page) is dominating

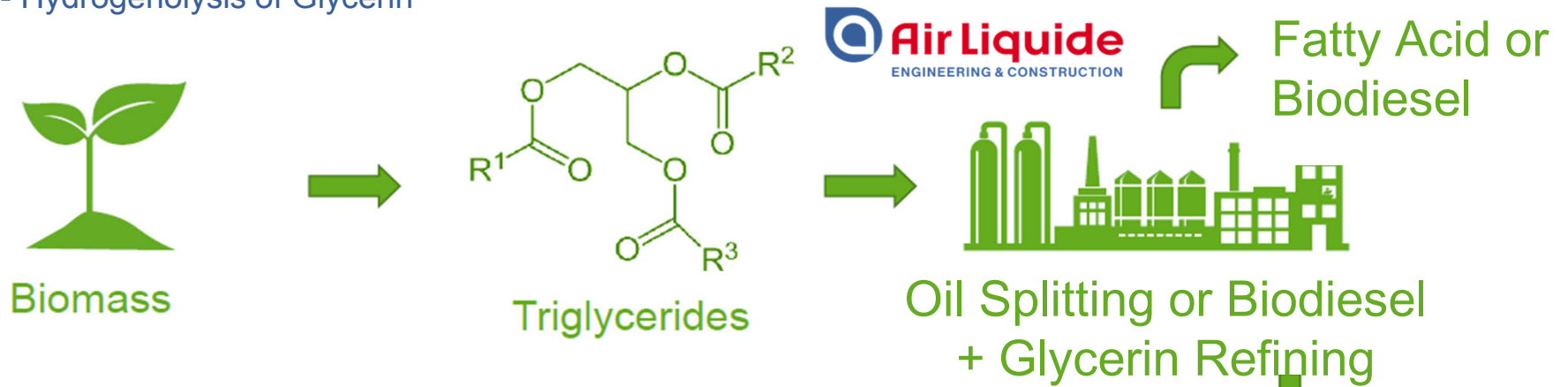
Chlorohydration (old process, also called Hydrochlorination)



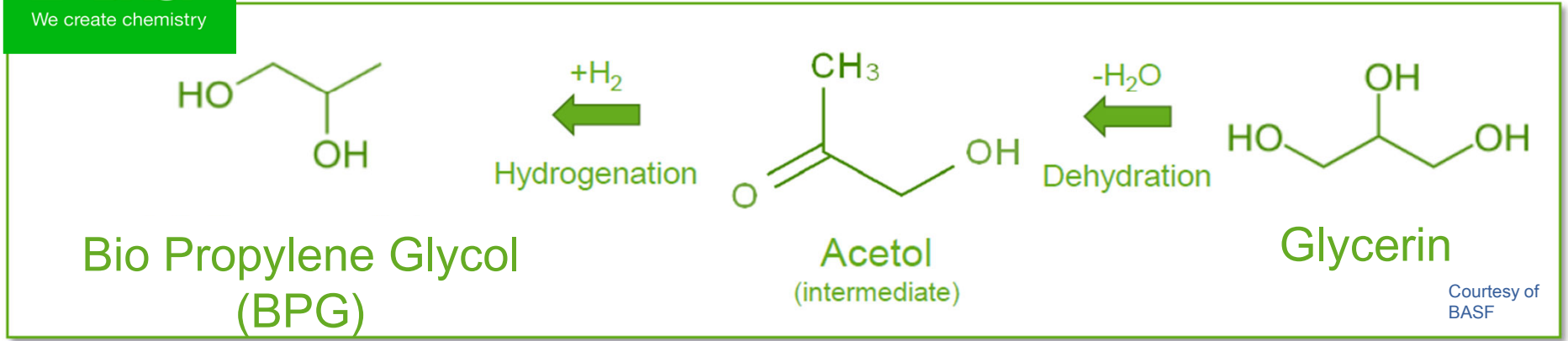
BioPG: Process Schematic

Safe, Sustainable Process

Green Chemistry - Hydrogenolysis of Glycerin

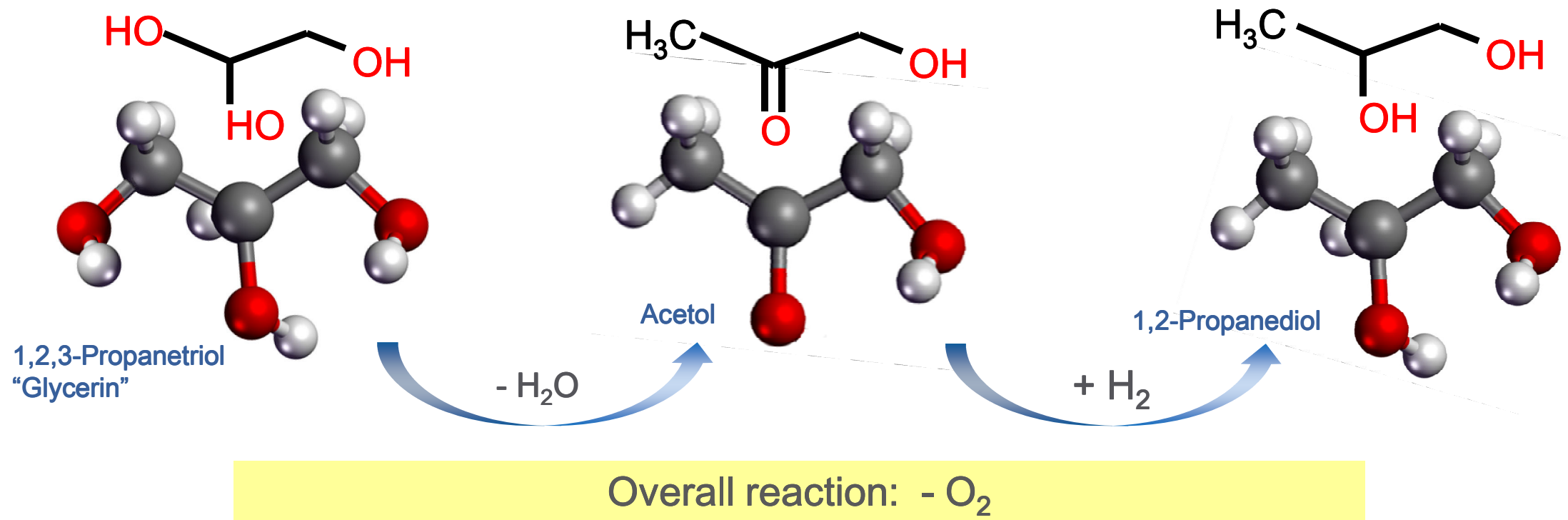


Process & catalyst developed by BASF



Courtesy of BASF

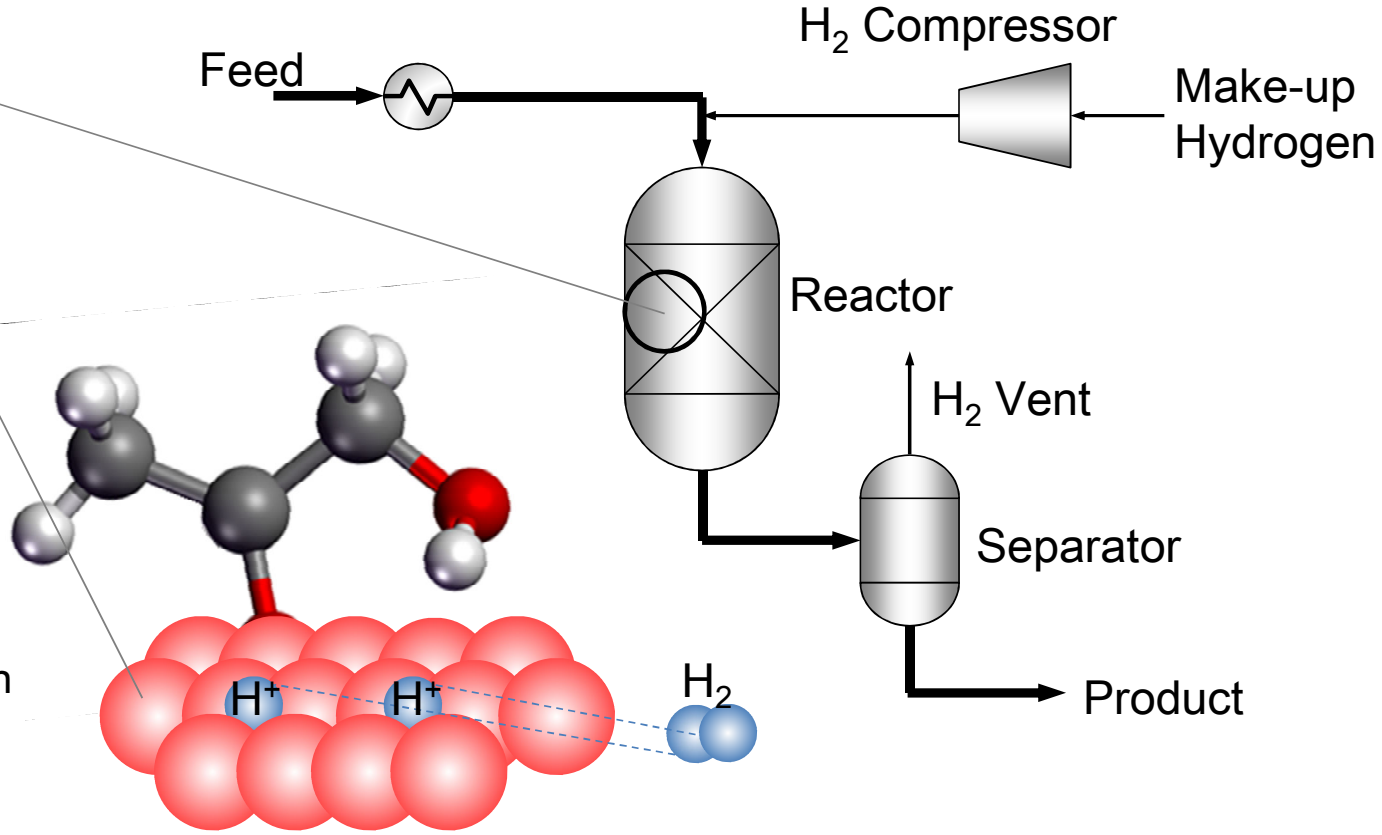
Hydrogenolysis is a chemical reaction whereby a carbon–carbon or carbon–heteroatom single bond is cleaved or undergoes lysis (breakdown) by H_2 . The heteroatom may vary, but it usually is Oxygen, Nitrogen, or Sulfur. A related reaction is hydrogenation, where hydrogen is added to the molecule, without cleaving bonds. Usually hydrogenolysis is conducted catalytically using H_2 .





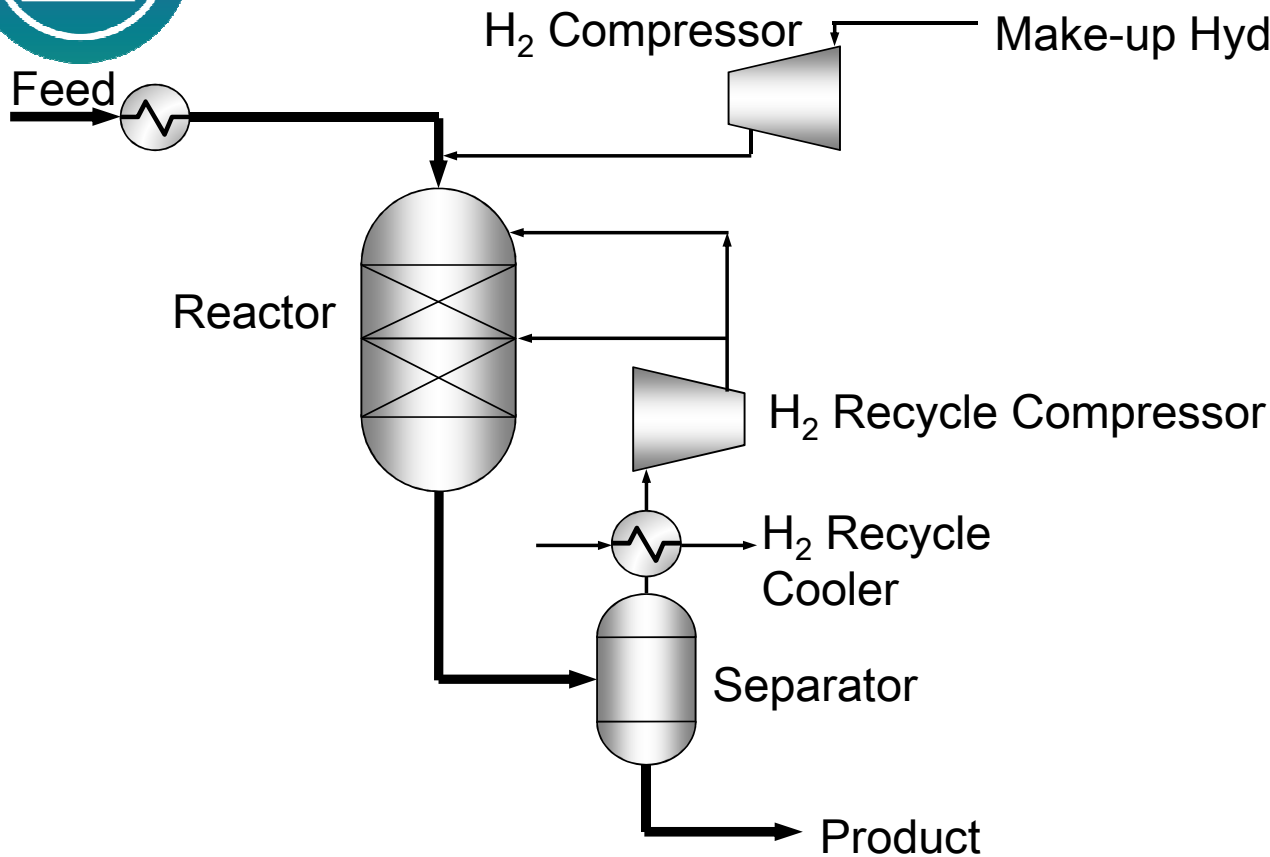
General principle of hydrotreating

1. H_2 dissolves into the catalyst surface as H^+
2. The heteroatom of the organic molecule temporarily bonds weakly to the catalyst surface and then reacts with the hydrogen
3. The hydrotreated molecule leaves the catalyst surface





General principle of heterogenic catalytic hydrotreating



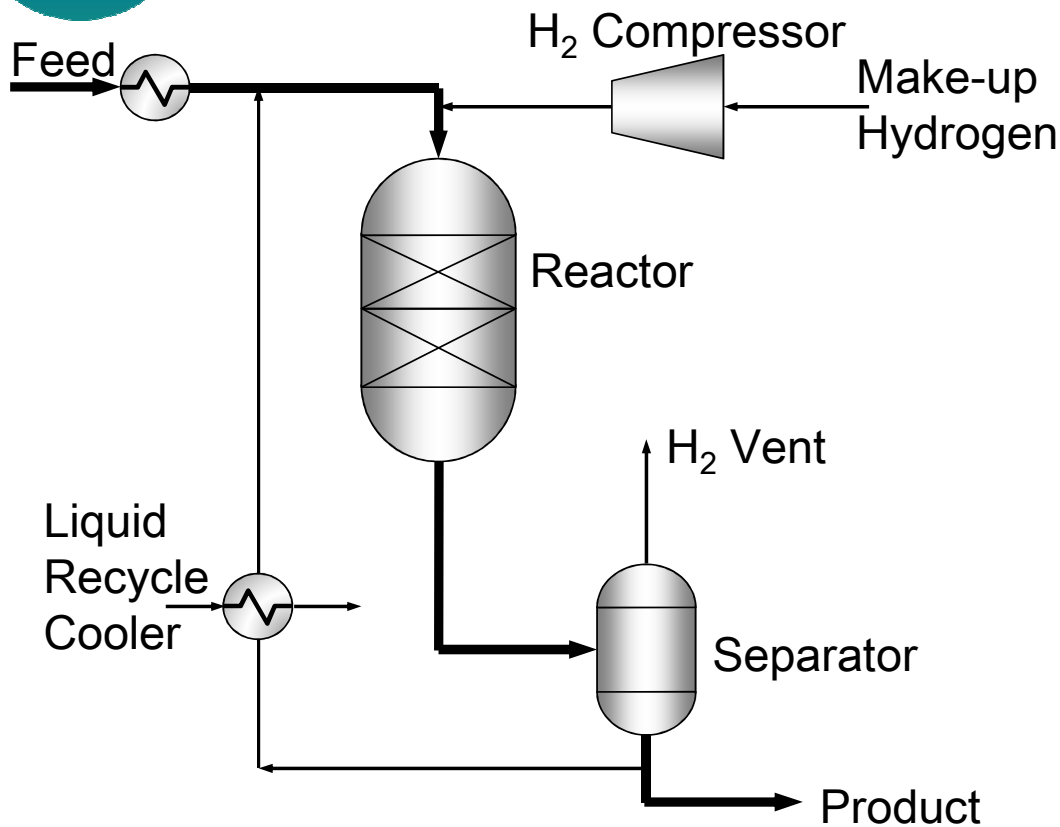
In case of high exothermic heat it might be necessary to cool the reactor by quenching with cooled recycle H₂, depending on the selected hydrotreating process to prevent unwanted side reactions or temperature runaway

Pro: H₂ at 200°C has a spec. heat capacity of 14.5 kJ/kgK

Con: H₂ has a low density



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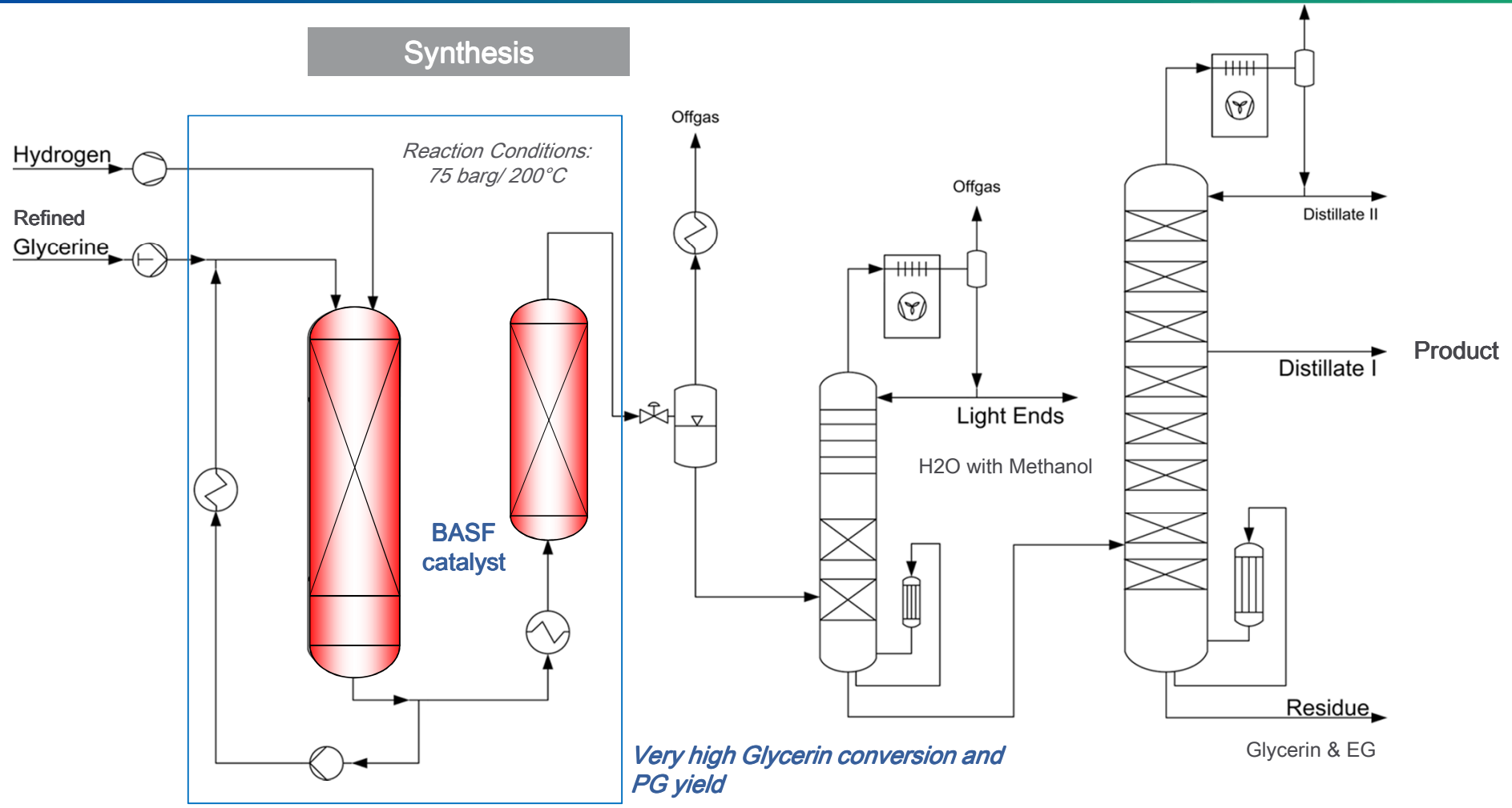


In case of high exothermic heat it might be necessary to cool the reactor by recycling reacted product back to the reactor inlet, depending on the selected hydrotreating process to prevent unwanted side reactions or temperature runaway

Pro: Liquid has a higher density than H₂

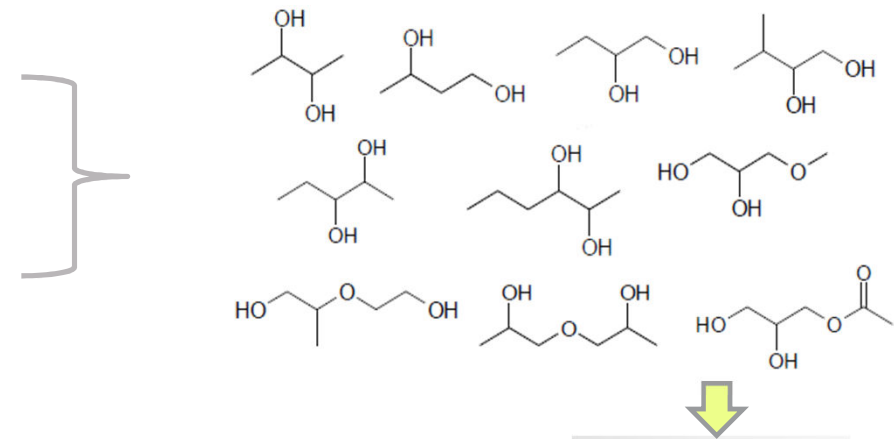
Con: Most organic liquids at 200°C have a spec. heat capacity of 2 to 2.5 kJ/kgK, i.e. 6 to 7 times less than H₂

BioPG: Process Schematic





- No oligomers (C4, C5, C6+)
- No di- or tripropylene glycols formed in reaction
- A high quality product:
 - Technical and Pharma Grade PG
 - Purity > 99.5 %, usually 99.8 %
 - Clear liquid, odorless, tasteless
 - Note: Kosher and halal certificates are depending on feedstock origin



Quality identical to Petro-based PG,
but with “green label”

Bio-based process is commercially proven and reliable



Refined Glycerin

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Bio Propylene Glycol

Glycerin to Bio Propylene Glycol

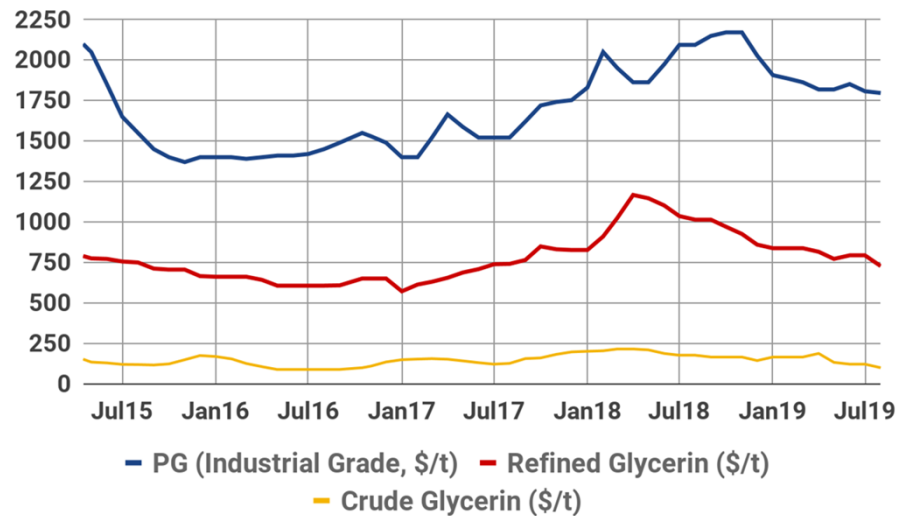
- Operating 20,000 tons/year plant in Belgium since June 2012
- One plant with 30,000 tons/year under construction in Poland
- One plant with 40,000 tons/year under engineering phase in Europe

Competitive: Drop-in replacement

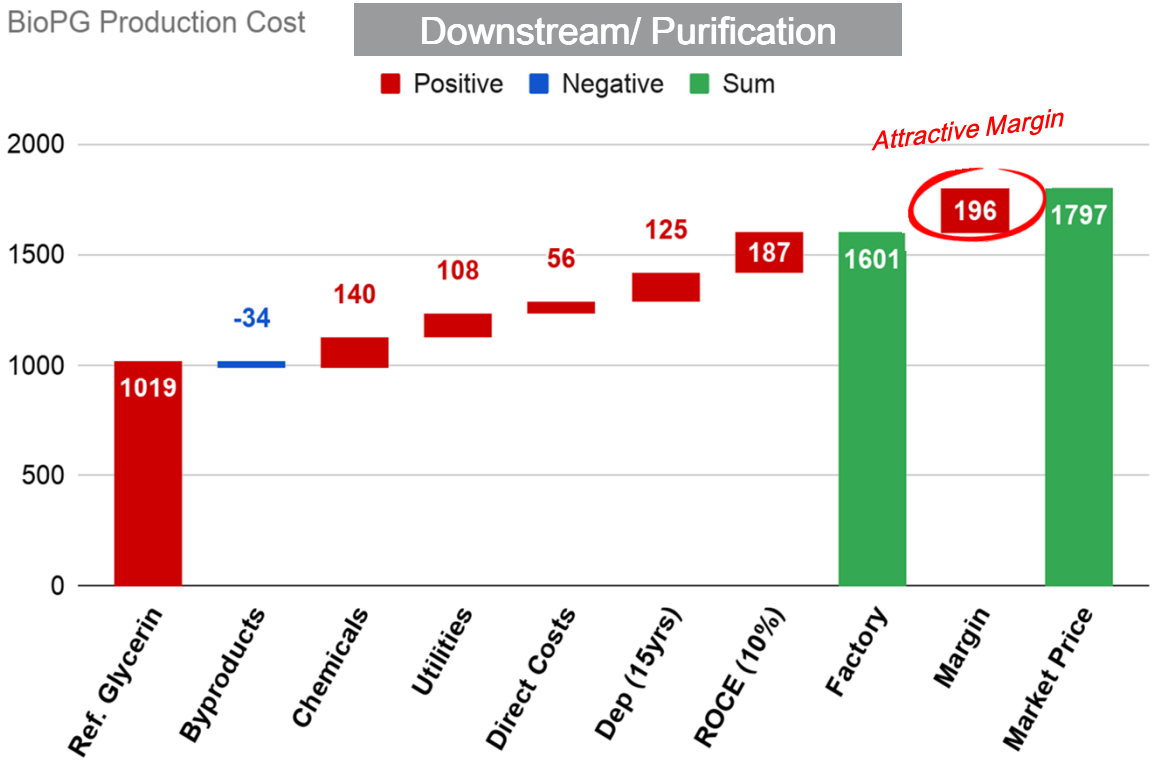


BioPG is attractive starting from Crude Glycerin

Price Trends in the US (USD dollars per ton)



BioPG Production Cost



Attractive Margin

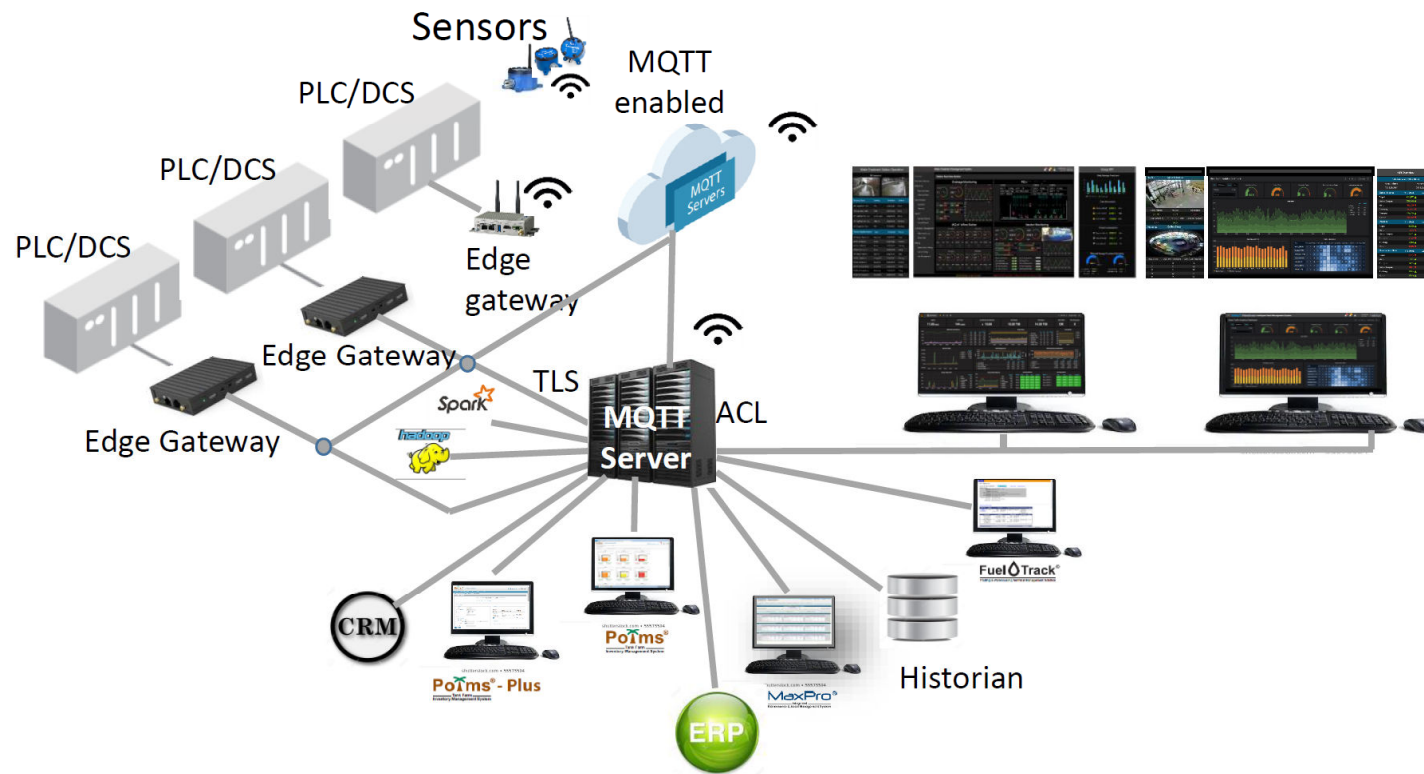
Industry 4.0 and IIoT

Internet of the Things (IoT) has already become reality, and we are continuously upgrading our homes to Smart Homes. Devices and gadgets are becoming cheaper and more affordable, but the life period of smart gadgets is not suitable for industrial use

In the manufacturing sector the Industrial Internet of the Things (IIoT) is getting more and more common. In the chemical industry the reliability of the process and occupational safety plays the most important role, especially at high temperatures, in hazardous areas, or with explosive mixtures

Industry 4.0 and IIoT has high requirements towards reliability and must comply with highest industrial standards





MQTT = MQ Telemetry Transport

MQTT is a machine-to-machine (M2M)/"Internet of Things" connectivity protocol

It is also ideal for mobile applications because of its small size, low power usage, minimised data packets, and efficient distribution of information to one or many receivers

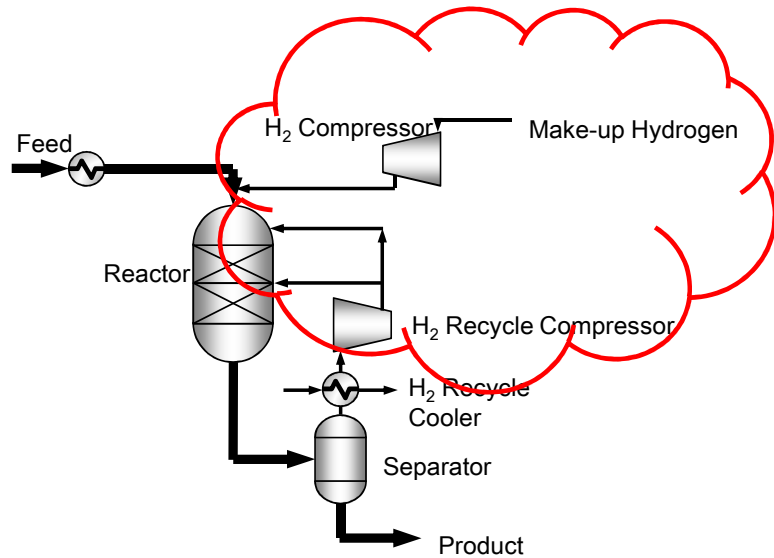
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1. **Edge Gateways** or **MQTT Enabled Devices**: Securely transmit and receive data from edge-of-network devices directly, via the **MQTT Transmission Module** or through an edge gateway

2. **An MQTT Server**: Enables MQTT clients for both operational and business applications to securely connect, publish, and subscribe to data from edge gateways

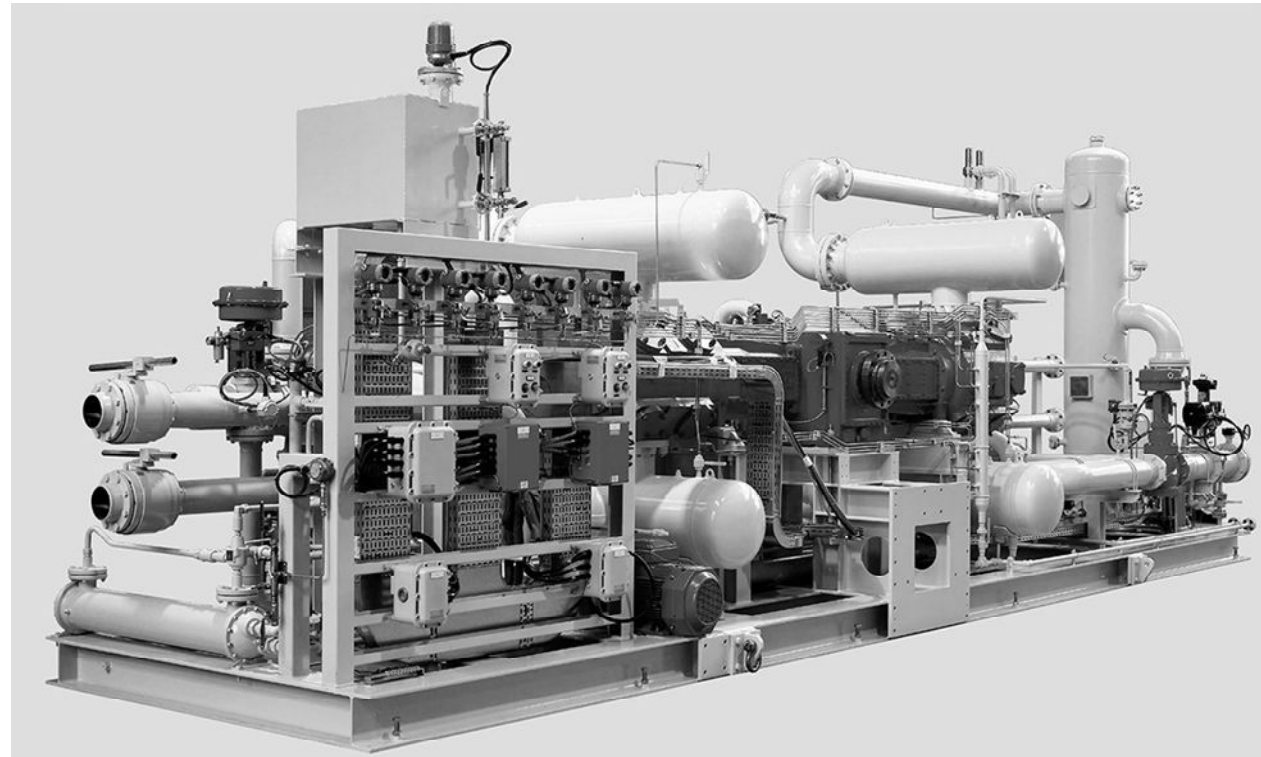
3. **The MQTT Engine Module**: Gives our platform the ability to bi-directionally communicate with an MQTT server

4. **The Platform**: The universal industrial application platform for HMI, SCADA and IIoT software applications



The H₂ compressor of a hydrotreatment plant is one of the core equipment and one of the costliest equipment. The H₂ is a raw material for the conversion, and a heat transfer medium for reactor cooling.

A compressor failure not only can cause a loss of production: It can lead to irreversible catalyst damage, or even to temperature runaway



Continuously monitoring the health of the H₂ compressor allows for preventive maintenance, realistic production and capacity planning

Protect and monitor your remote infrastructures and lower the cost of maintenance for their entire lifecycle

Industrial Internet of the Things (IIoT)

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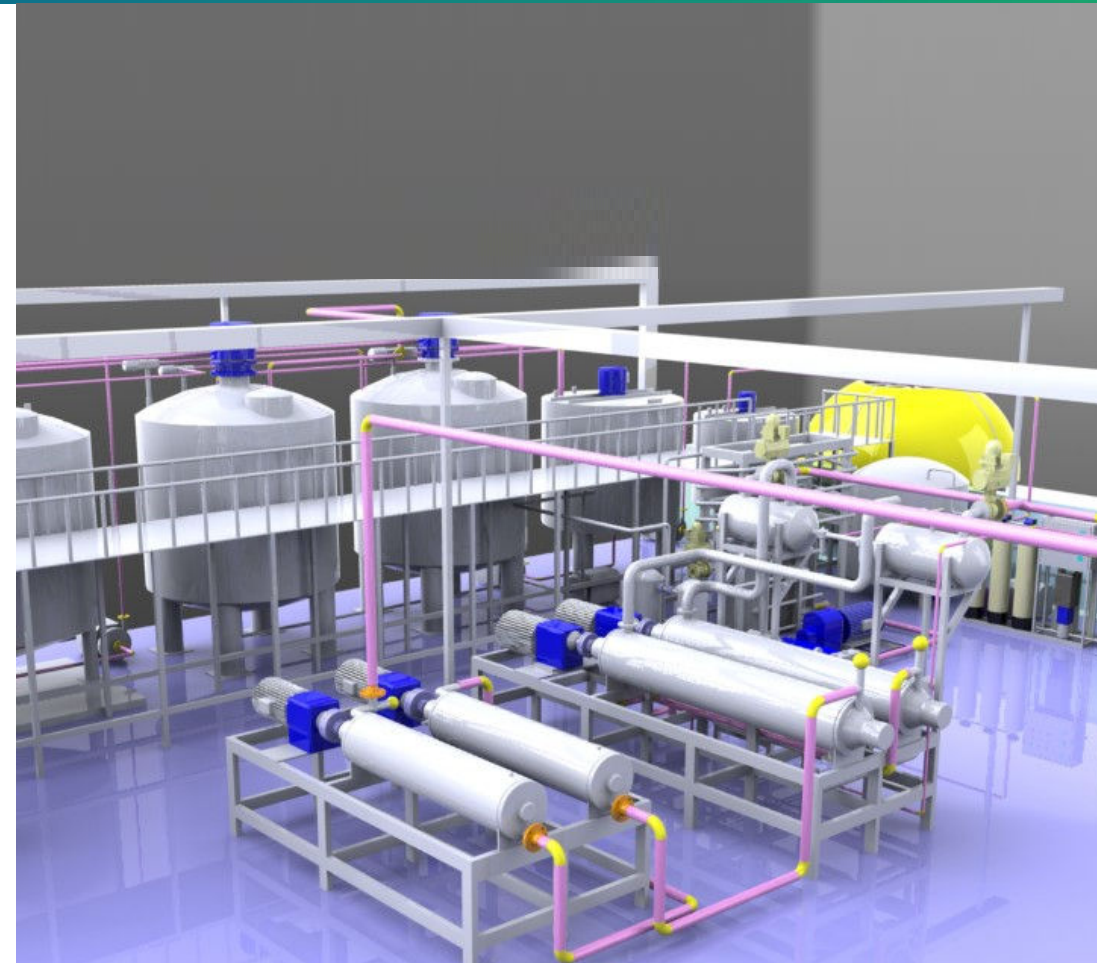
DNR has won the first Industry 4.0 / IIoT project from PT Smart (Sinarmas) for their 7 units of Margarine & Shortening Plant at Marunda, Indonesia

Some Highlights:

Continuous quality monitoring and recording

Energy data reporting

Ammonia (refrigerant) compressor unit monitoring





POIMS continuously measures and computes the inventory of the entire tankfarm with high accuracy by interfacing with tankfarm instruments in real time

Decision makers can access tankfarm inventory information conveniently and securely through the POIMS Web-Portal to gain timely accurate information on inventory that allows to make informed decisions

POIMS interfaces with tank gauging devices to collect the product quantity and temperature measurements of the tanks in real time for consistent and continuous tank gauging.

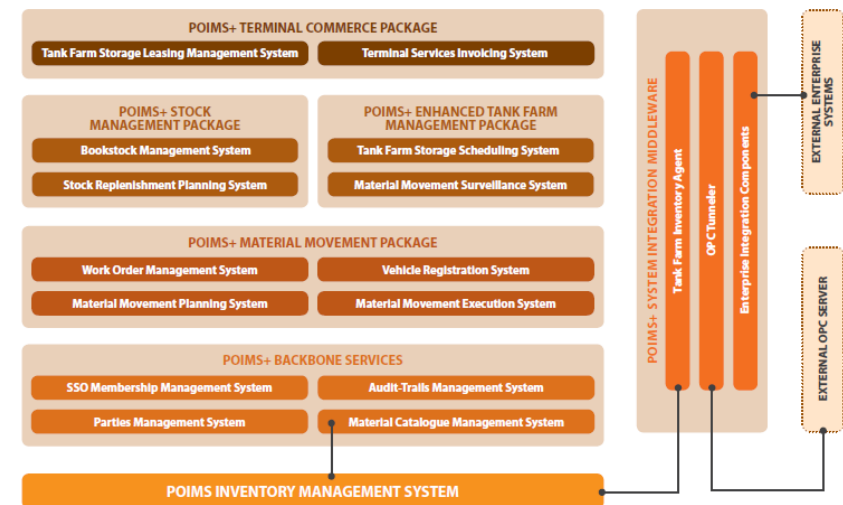
POIMS helps to overcome the limitations of manual tank dipping, which is both error-prone and lacks timeliness

Often the conventional inventory information has become scattered in multiple systems with some even being managed manually, and sometimes problems increase when the tankfarms are located in different geographical locations involving diverse workforce

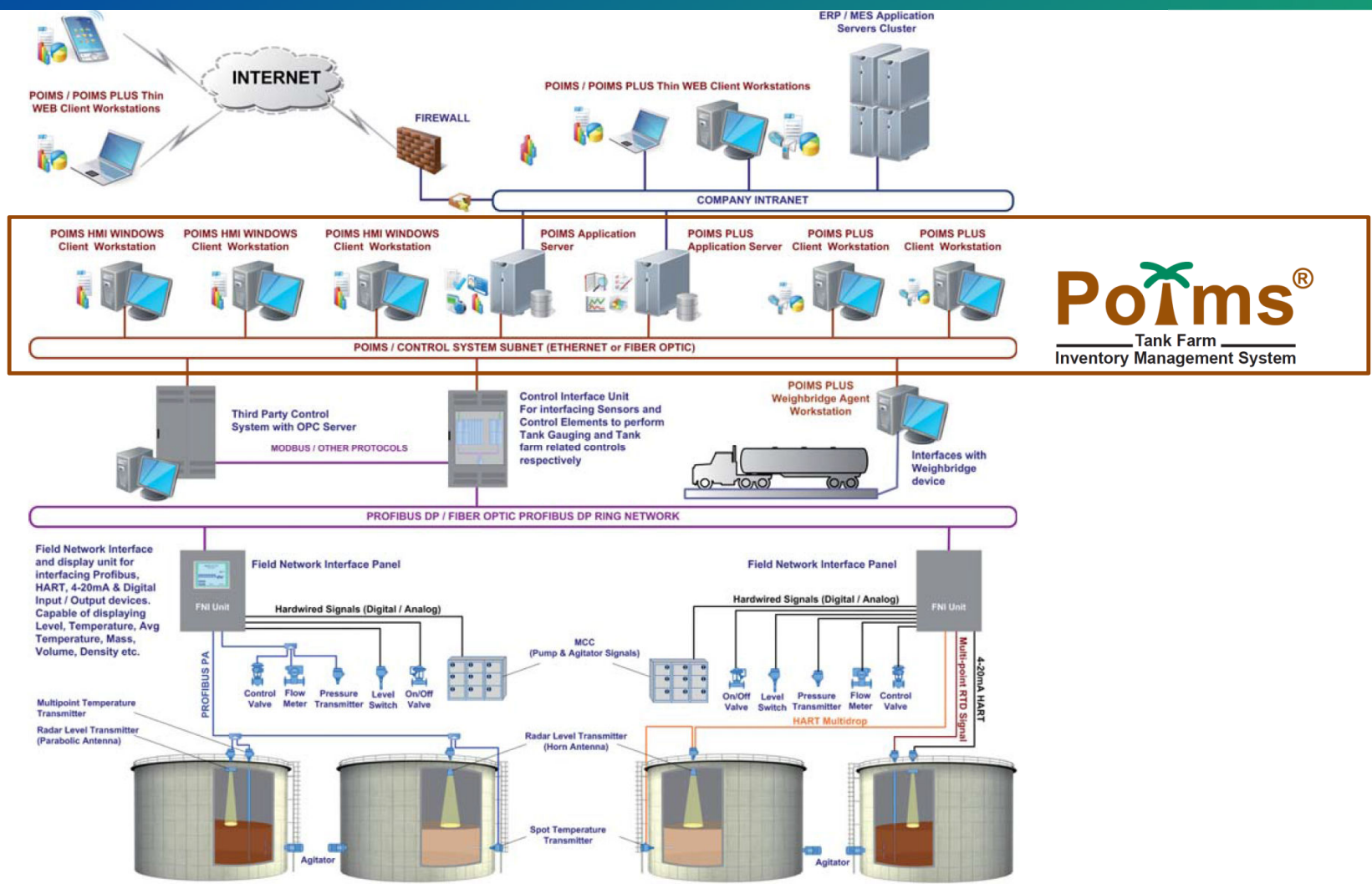


POIMS Plus utilizes all functionalities of POIMS Tank Farm Inventory Management System to provide advanced capabilities in order fulfillment tracking, material movements management, stock accounting and enhanced tankfarm management

POIMS Plus for oleochemicals can support in managing the trading of products and raw materials in order to buy and sell at the most profitable time



Palm Oil Inventory Management System



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Who we are:

JJ-Lurgi a joint venture between Air Liquide Engineering & Construction (formerly *LURGI*) and Jebsen & Jessen Southeast Asia, Singapore.

Lurgi's expertise in oils & fats technologies dates back more than 100 Years

Air Liquide strengthened its position in IIoT and Industry 4.0 with their 100% owned DNR PROCESS SOLUTIONS PTE LTD, Singapore



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