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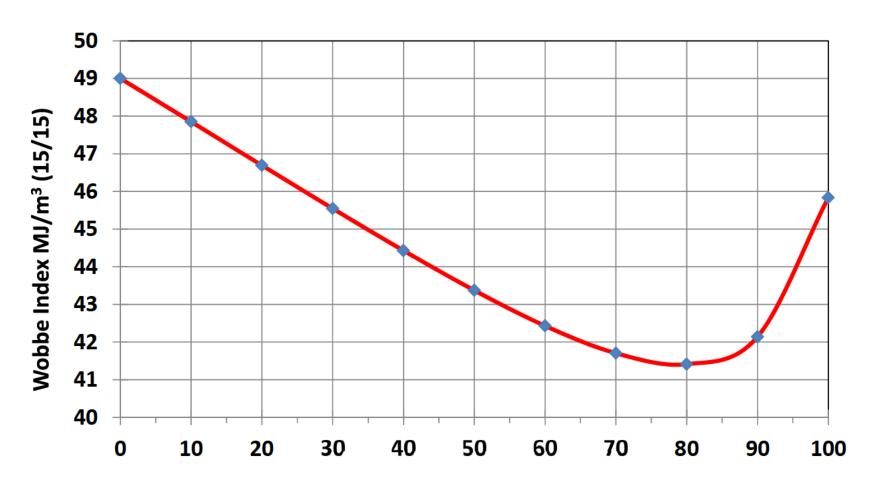
Hydrogen certainly has a future as an energy carrier

However:

- 1. As a dedicated energy carrier for an optimised use of this valuable and expensive gas;
- 2. Or, blend it with natural gas and burn it for heating purposes.

Some illustrations

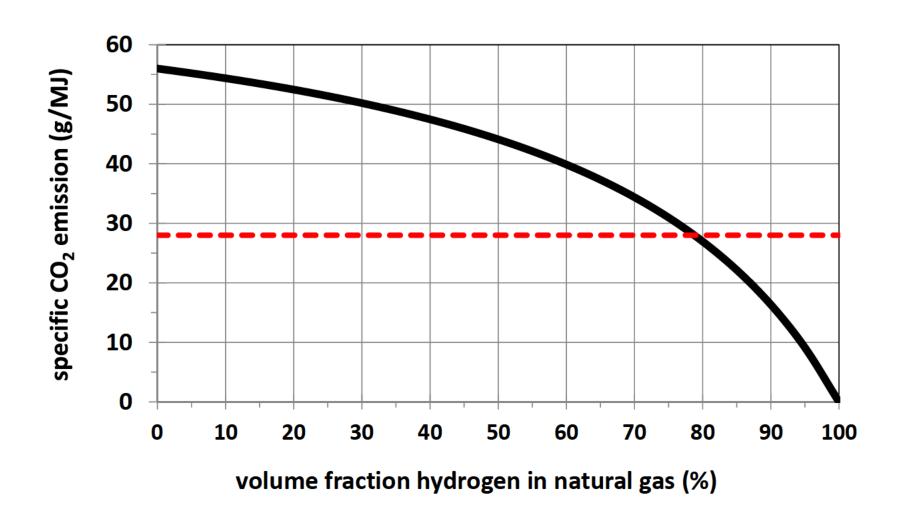
Many gas users need a maximum Wobbe Index range of 3.7 MJ/m3 Hydrogen rapidly widens the Wobbe Index range



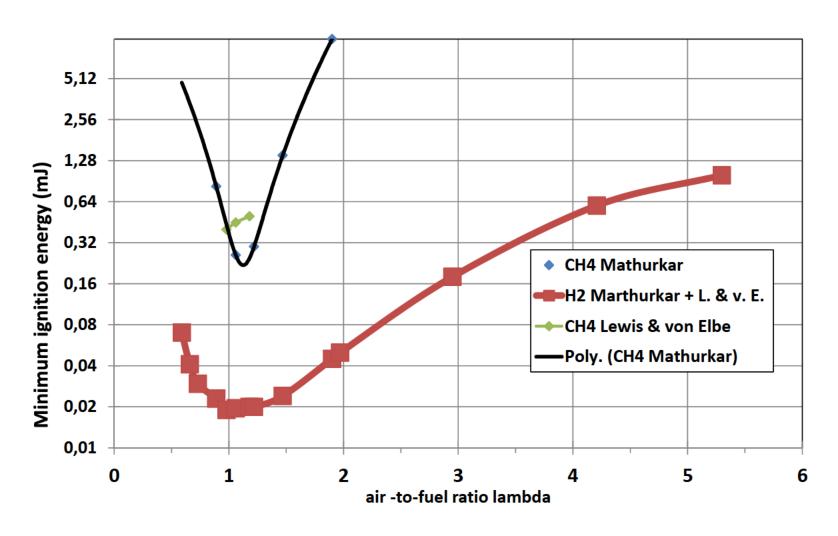
Volume fraction (%) of hydrogen in natural gas with a WI 49.0 MJ/m³

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The 'greening' effect of hydrogen in natural gas is very low



Hydrogen ignites a factor 10 easier than natural gas. Risky when leakage in buildings



Heating: hydrogen or electric ???



1 kWh electricity



Heat pump

3,5 kWh heat



Factor 6!!!



1 kWh electricity



Elektrolysis

0,7 kWh hydrogen



0,6 kWh heat



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Advice

- 1. Use hydrogen primarily where it is needed: industry
- 2. Do not blend hydrogen with natural gas in uncontrollable fractions for just burning the precious gas.
- 3. Stimulate the development of dedicated hydrogen applications
- 4. Avoid at any case that essential back-up power plants will suddenly shut down because of huge variations in gas quality caused by blending hydrogen with natural gas. A general power black-out is factors worse than a corona virus and very damaging for the society.