



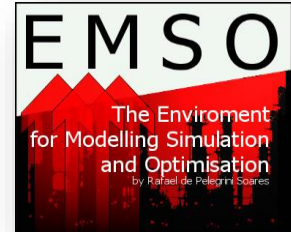
# Life Cycle Assessment integrated to process simulator EMSO

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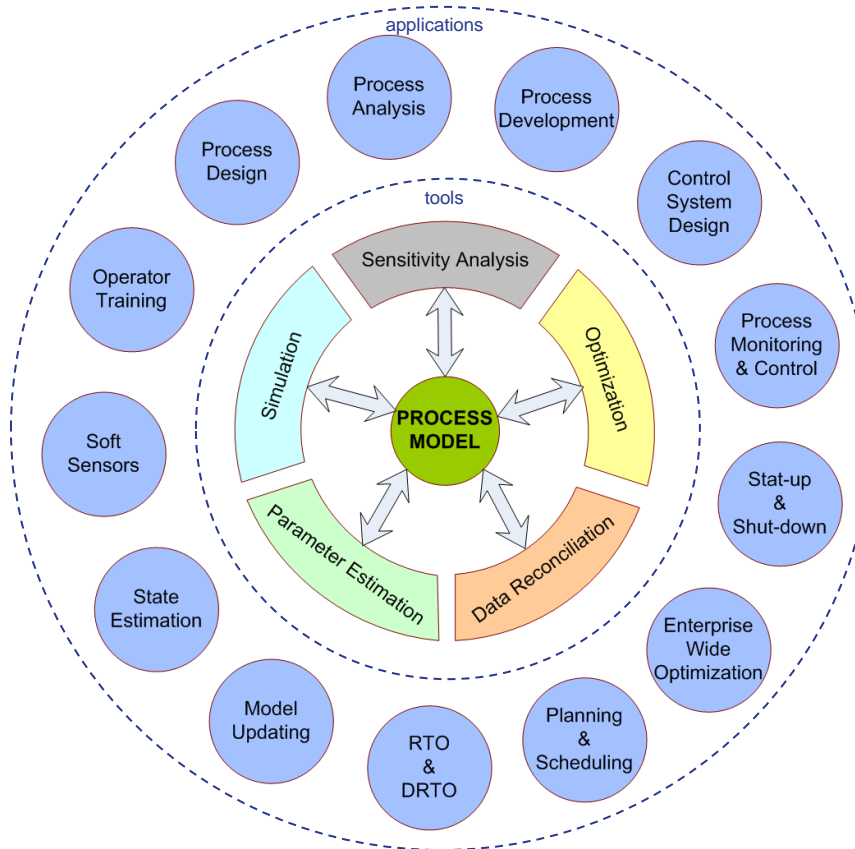


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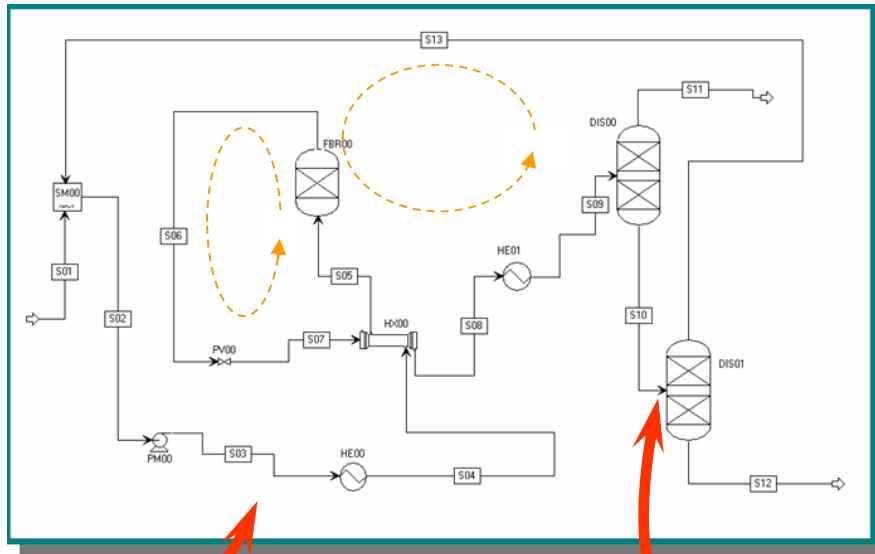


# Applications of Process Modeling



# Sequential Modular Simulators

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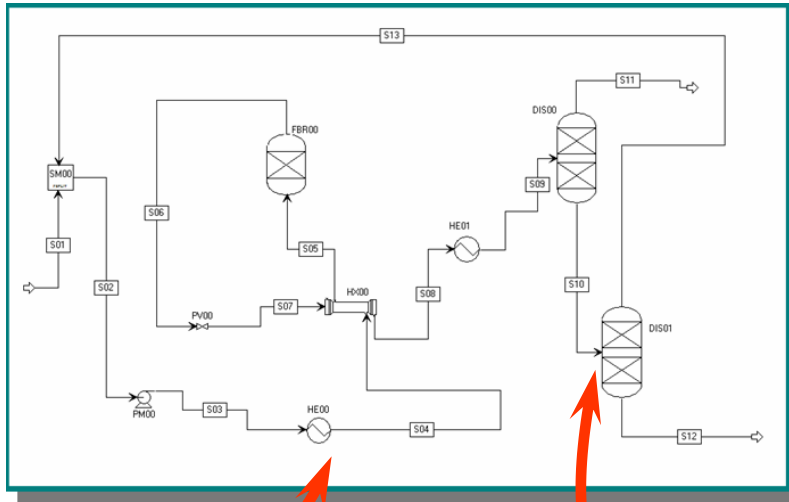


ex: AspenPlus, Hysys,  
PRO/II, Chemcad, Petrox

Black Box  
Modeling

The code is specific for every equipment

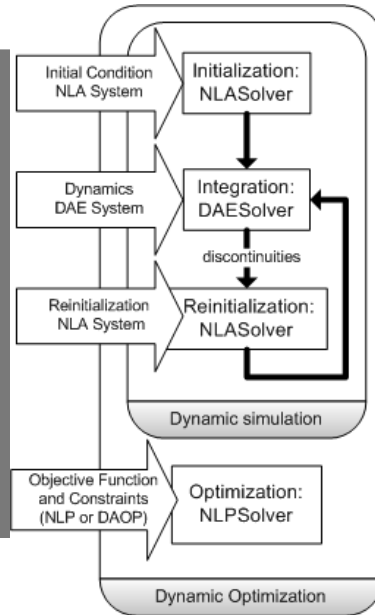
# Equation-Oriented Simulators



Open-source  
Modeling

Equipments contain **only chemistry  
and physics** of the model

ex: EMSO, Ascend, Jacobian, gPROMS,  
AspenDynamics, EcosimPro



All equipments or modules  
are simultaneously evaluated  
(Block decomposition can be  
used to explore sequential  
solution)

# Object-oriented modeling

Examples of general-purpose object-oriented modeling languages:

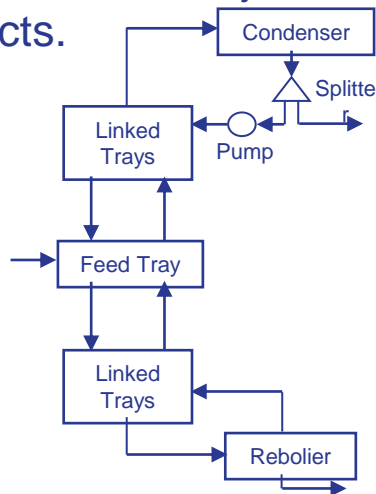
- ABACUSS II (Barton, 1999)
- ASCEND (Piela, 1989)
- Dymola (Elmqvist, 1978)
- EcosimPro (EA Int. & ESA, 1999)
- **EMSO** (Soares and Secchi, 2003)
- gPROMS/Speedup (Barton and Pantelides, 1994)
- Modelica (Modelica Association, 1996)
- ModKit (Bogusch et al., 2001)
- MPROSIM (Rao et al., 2004)
- Omola (Andersson, 1994)
- ProMoT (Tränkle et al., 1997)

# Object-oriented modeling

## OOM main concepts

**Inheritance:** is the process whereby one object acquires (gets, receives) characteristics from one or more other objects.

**Aggregation:** is the process of creating a new object from two or more other objects, or an object that is composed of two or more other objects.



**Column model =**  
Condenser + Splitter +  
Pump + Linked Trays +  
Feed Tray + Reboiler

# EO CAPE Tools

## ❖ Key advantages of EO:

- Models can be inspected, refined, or reused
- Easier to diagnose ill-posed problems
- Same model as the source for several tasks: simulation, optimization, design, parameter estimation, data reconciliation, etc. → integrated environment

## ❖ Some disadvantages:

- More difficult to establish good initial guesses
- More demand on computer resources





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The ALSOC Project is an effort to bring together university-industry through the standardization and distribution without cost of specifications and software tools among universities and partner companies.

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## EMSO Process Simulator

EMSO is the acronym for Environment for Modeling Simulation and Optimization.

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EMSO is the simulation software of the ALSOC project. Its development was started at 2001 by [Rafael de Pelegrini Soares](#), today the EMSO process simulator is developed and maintained by ALSOC.

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- aug 31 2007:** EMSO **version 0.9.53** released! [Download it here](#)
- aug 27 2007:** Curso do simulador EMSO. Clique [AQUI](#) para fazer o download do material do curso.
- jun 15 2007:** A nice [Quick Reference](#) is now available.
- feb 14 2007:** Displaying a formula [Click here](#).
- dec 18 2006:** **ALSOC meeting:** sponsors and developers discussing about the future of the project and recent advances. [Read more...](#)
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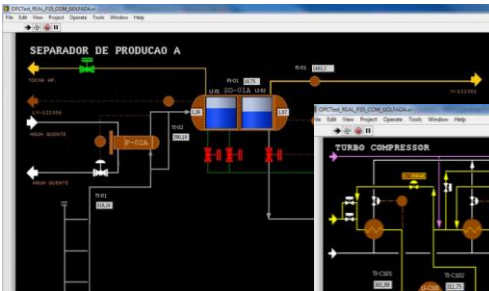


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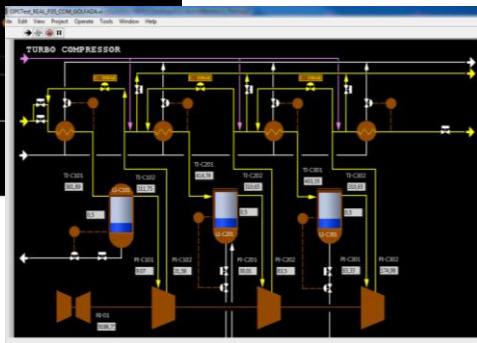
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# EMSO Applications:



Operator Training

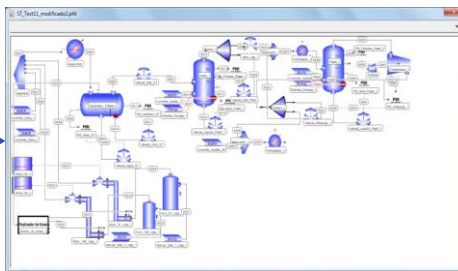


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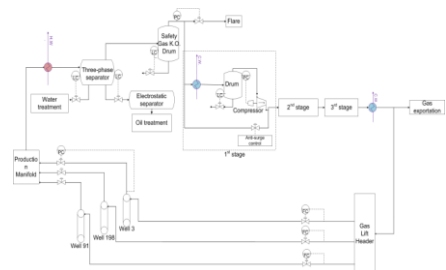


OPC Server

Simulation - EMSO



PFD



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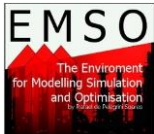
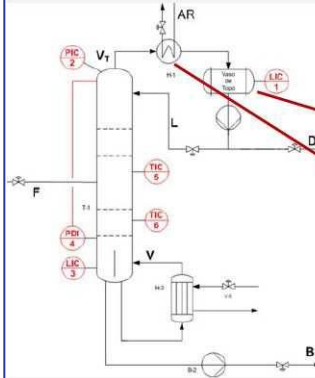
## Especification of GLP

GLP: C2 (11%)  
C3  
C4  
C5 (1,5%)

## Plant

Reflux  
Temperature of the Bottom  
Pressure

## Desbutanizadora



FlowSheet EMSO

*Inference (min a min) x Measurements (20 min)*

Composition of C5  
In top of the column

# Model Building

## ✓ **A mathematical model has:**

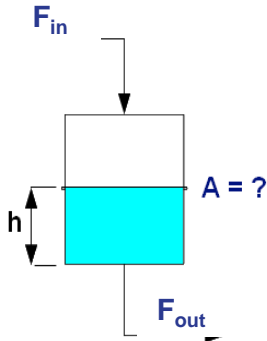
- A set of model parameters (reaction order, valve constant, etc.)
- A set of variables (temperatures, pressures, flow rates, etc.)
- A set of equations (algebraic and differential) relating the variables

## ✓ **Problems in model building:**

- Number of equations and variables do not match ( $\text{DoF} \neq 0$ )
- Equations of the model are inconsistent (linear dependence, UOM, etc.)
- The number of initial conditions and DDoF do not match

# The Simplest Example

## Abstract model



mass balance:  $F_{in} - F_{out} = \frac{dV}{dt}$

valve equation:  $F_{out} = k\sqrt{h}$

liquid volume:  $V = A h$

## EMSO:

```
using "types";
```

```
Flowsheet basic_flowsheet
```

### PARAMETERS

```
k as Real (Brief="Valve constant", Unit='m^2.5/h', Default = 12);
```

```
D as length (Brief="Tank hydraulic diameter", Default = 4);
```

### VARIABLES

```
Fin as flow_vol (Brief="Feed flow rate");
```

```
Fout as flow_vol (Brief="Output flow rate");
```

```
A as area (Brief="Cross section area");
```

```
V as volume (Brief="Liquid volume");
```

```
h as length (Brief="Tank level");
```

### EQUATIONS

```
"Mass balance" Fin - Fout = diff(V); # (1)
```

```
"Valve equation" Fout = k * sqrt(h); # (2)
```

```
"Liquid volume" V = A * h; # (3)
```

```
end
```

# Modeling

## Consistency Analysis

- Model consistency analysis for unit of measurements (UOM)
- Degree of freedom analysis
- Dynamic degree of freedom analysis

variable

$F_{in}, F_{out}$      $m^3 h^{-1}$

$V$

UOM

$m^3$

$A$

$m^2$

$h$

$m$

$k$

$m^{2.5} h^{-1}$

$t$

$h$

equations

$$(1): [m^3 h^{-1}] - [m^3 h^{-1}] = [m^3] / [h]$$

$$(2): [m^3 h^{-1}] = [m^{2.5} h^{-1}] ([h])^{0.5}$$

$$(3): [m^3] = [m^2] [m]$$



# Modeling

## Consistency Analysis

variables:  $F_{in}$ ,  $F_{out}$ ,  $V$ ,  $A$ ,  $h$ ,  $k$ ,  $t \rightarrow 7$

constants:  $k$ ,  $A \rightarrow 2$

specifications:  $t \rightarrow 1$

driving forces:  $F_{in} \rightarrow 1$

unknown variables:  $V$ ,  $h$ ,  $A$ ,  $F_{out} \rightarrow 4$

equations: 3

**Degree of Freedom** = variables – constants – specification – driving forces  
– equations = unknown variables – equations =  $7 - 2 - 1 - 1 - 3 = 0$

**Dynamic Degree of freedom** (index < 2) = differential equations = 1

Needs 1 initial condition:  $h(0) \rightarrow 1$

```
using "types";  
constante as Real (Unit = 'm^2.5/h');
```

Flowsheet meuprimeirotanque

PARAMETERS

```
K as constante;  
A as area;
```

VARIABLES

```
V as volume;  
h as length;  
Fe as flow_vol;  
Fs as flow_vol;
```

EQUATIONS

```
diff(V) = Fe - Fs;
```

```
V = A * h;
```

```
Fs = K * sqrt(h);
```

SET

```
K = 5 * 'm^2.5/h';
```

```
A = 1 * 'm^2';
```

SPECIFY

```
Fe = 2 * (1 + sin(40*time*rad/h')) * 'm^3/h';
```

```
#Fe = 2 * 'm^3/h';
```

```
INITIAL      h = 0.5 * 'm';
```

# My first EMSO Simulation Hello World!

OPTIONS

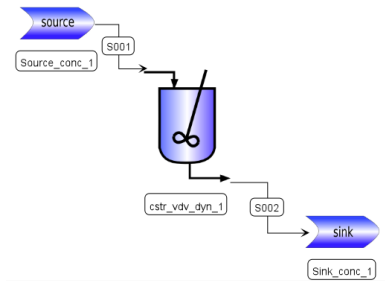
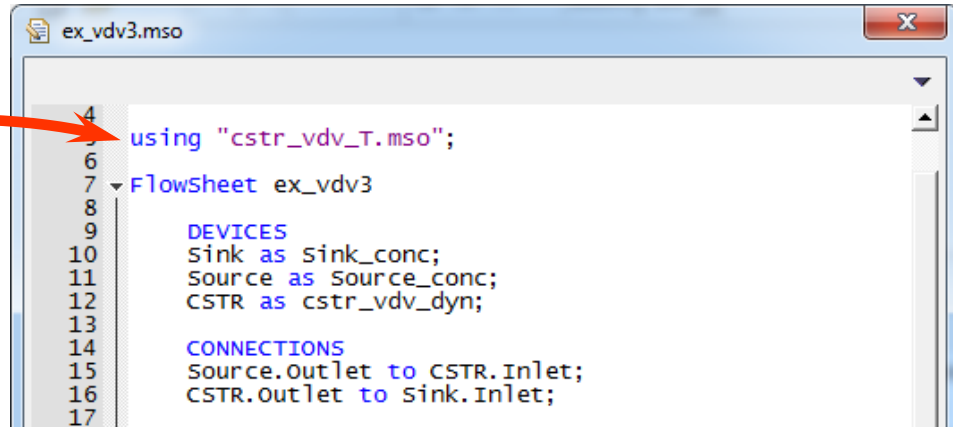
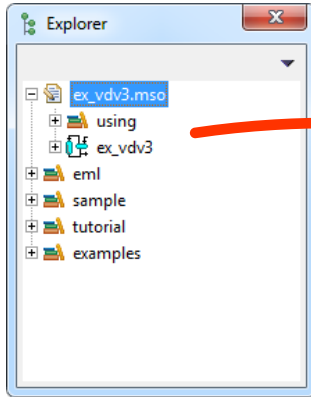
```
TimeStart = 0;
```

```
TimeStep = 0.01;
```

```
TimeEnd = 1.5;
```

```
TimeUnit = 'h';
```

# Modeling Structure in EMSO



1. Definições dos Equipamentos
2. Conexões

# Modeling Structure in EMSO

using

reference to files.

Model

a new model is set with this word

the new model should have:

PARAMETERS

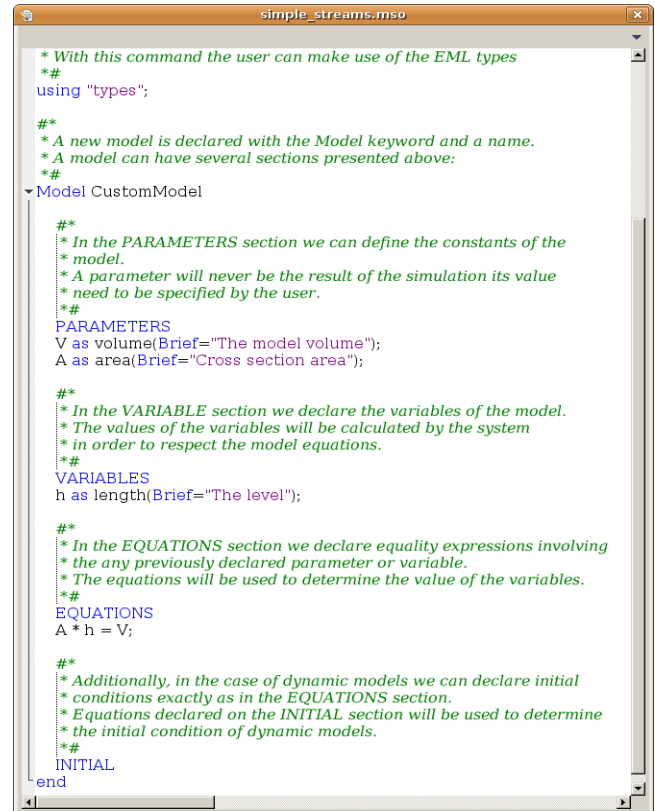
parameters section of the model.

VARIABLES

variables section of the model.

EQUATIONS

equations section of the model



```
simple_streams.mso

* With this command the user can make use of the EML types
**
using "types";

**
* A new model is declared with the Model keyword and a name.
* A model can have several sections presented above:
**
Model CustomModel

**
* In the PARAMETERS section we can define the constants of the
* model.
* A parameter will never be the result of the simulation its value
* need to be specified by the user.
**
PARAMETERS
V as volume(Brief="The model volume");
A as area(Brief="Cross section area");

**
* In the VARIABLE section we declare the variables of the model.
* The values of the variables will be calculated by the system
* in order to respect the model equations.
**
VARIABLES
h as length(Brief="The level");

**
* In the EQUATIONS section we declare equality expressions involving
* the any previously declared parameter or variable.
* The equations will be used to determine the value of the variables.
**
EQUATIONS
A * h = V;

**
* Additionally, in the case of dynamic models we can declare initial
* conditions exactly as in the EQUATIONS section.
* Equations declared on the INITIAL section will be used to determine
* the initial condition of dynamic models.
**
INITIAL

end
```

# Componentes Básicos do Modelo

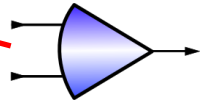
Submodels and  
predefined  
EMSO models

Information for  
documentation

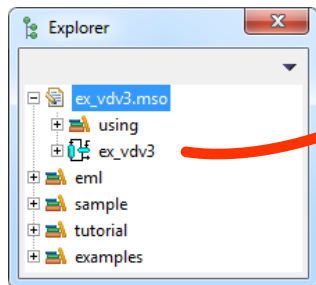
Basic Section  
Of the model

Inlet and Outlet  
Conections

```
mixer.mso
20 using "streams";
21
22 ▼Model mixer
23   ATTRIBUTES
24   Palette      = true;
25   Icon         = "icon/mixer";
26   Brief        = "Model of a mixer";
27   Info         = "Model of a mixer";
28   "== Assumptions ==
29   * static
30   * adiabatic
31
32   == Specify ==
33   * the inlet streams";
34
35   PARAMETERS
36   outer NComp as Integer (Brief = "Number of chemical components", Lower = 1);
37   | Ninlet as Integer (Brief = "Number of Inlet Streams", Lower = 1, Default = 2);
38
39   VARIABLES
40   in Inlet(Ninlet) as stream (Brief = "Inlet streams", PosX=0, PosY=0.5, Symbol="{in}");
41   out Outlet      as streamPH (Brief = "Outlet stream", PosX=1, PosY=0.5, Symbol="{out}");
42
43   EQUATIONS
44
45   "Flow"
46   Outlet.F = sum(Inlet.F);
47
48   for i in [1:NComp]
49
50     "Composition"
51     Outlet.F*Outlet.z(i) = sum(Inlet.F*Inlet.z(i));
52   end
53
54   "Energy Balance"
55   Outlet.F*Outlet.h = sum(Inlet.F*Inlet.h);
56
57   "Pressure"
58   Outlet.P = min(Inlet.P);
59 end
```



# Modeling Structure in EMSO



```

##-----
* FlowSheet generated automatically by EMSO-GUI
*-----*

```

```
using "cstr_vdv_T.mso";
```

```
FlowSheet ex_vdv3
```

## DEVICES

```

sink as sink_conc;
Source as Source_conc;
CSTR as cstr_vdv_dyn;

```

## CONNECTIONS

```

Source.Outlet to CSTR.Inlet;
CSTR.Outlet to Sink.Inlet;

```

## SET

```

CSTR.cv = 1 * 'm^(5/2)/h' ;
CSTR.k1 = 1.287E+012 * '1/h' ;
CSTR.k2 = 1.287E+012 * '1/h' ;
CSTR.k3 = 9.043E+009 * '1/mol/h' ;
CSTR.E1 = 9758.3 * 'K' ;
CSTR.E2 = 9758.3 * 'K' ;
CSTR.E3 = 8560 * 'K' ;
CSTR.A = 1 * 'm^2' ;

```

**EQUIPMENTS  
parameters**

## SPECIFY

```

Source.Outlet.Ca = 5.5 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
Source.Outlet.cb = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
Source.Outlet.Cc = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
Source.Outlet.Cd = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
Source.Outlet.T = 387 * 'K' ;
Source.Outlet.P = 1 * 'atm' ;
Source.Outlet.Fvol = 1 * 'm^3/h' ;
CSTR.x = 1 ;

```

**Degree of freedom**

## INITIAL

```

CSTR.Ca = 5 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
CSTR.cb = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
CSTR.Cc = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
CSTR.Cd = 0 * 'kmol/m^3' ;
CSTR.h = 1 * 'm' ;

```

**Dynamic Degree of  
freedom**

**Simulation  
Options**

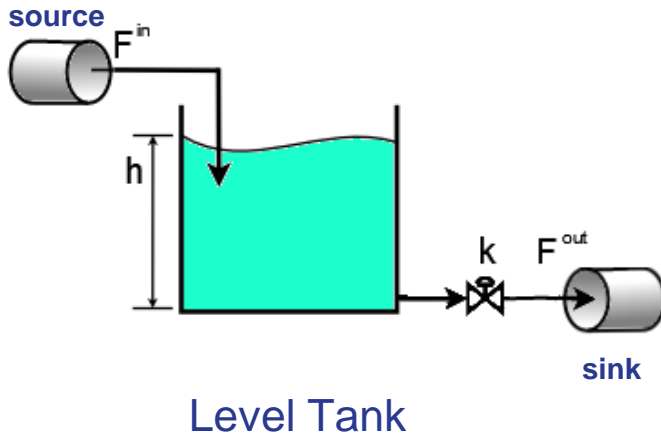
## OPTIONS

```

Dynamic = true;
TimeStep = 0.01;
TimeEnd = .5;
TimeUnit = 'h';
Integration = "original";
NLASolver(
    File = "sundials",
    RelativeAccuracy = 1e-6,
    AbsoluteAccuracy = 1e-6,
    MaxIterations = 100
);
DAESolver(
    File = "dasslc",
    RelativeAccuracy = 1e-6,
    AbsoluteAccuracy = 1e-6,
    EventAccuracy = 1e-2
);

```

# Simple Example



## Streams

Inlet                      stream feeding the tank  
Outlet                    stream leaving the tank

## Parameters

$K$                       Valve constant

## Variables

$A$                       Tank cross section area  
 $V$                       Tank volume  
 $h$                       Tank level

Devices: source, tank, sink

# Creating Models

```
using "types";
```

```
# Source model
```

```
Model Feed
```

```
    VARIABLES
```

```
        out F as flow_vol;
```

```
end
```

```
# Sink model
```

```
Model Sink
```

```
    VARIABLES
```

```
        in F as flow_vol;
```

```
end
```



# Creating Models

Model Tank\_Basic

PARAMETERS

K as Real;

VARIABLES

in Fin as flow\_vol;

out Fout as flow\_vol;

V as volume;

h as length;

A as area;

EQUATIONS

$Fin - Fout = \text{diff}(V);$

$Fout = K * \text{sqrt}(h);$

$V = A * h;$

end

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DEVICES

Tank1 as Tank\_Basic;

Input as Feed;

Output as Sink;

CONNECTIONS

Input to tanque1;

Tank1 to Output;

SET

Tank1.K = 5 \* 'm^2.5/h';

Tank1.A = 1 \* 'm^2';

SPECIFY

Input.F = 2 \* (1 + sin(40\*time\*'rad/h')) \* 'm^3/h';

INITIAL

Tank1.h = 0.5 \* 'm';

OPTIONS

TimeStart = 0;

TimeStep = 0.01;

TimeEnd = 1.5;

TimeUnit = 'h';

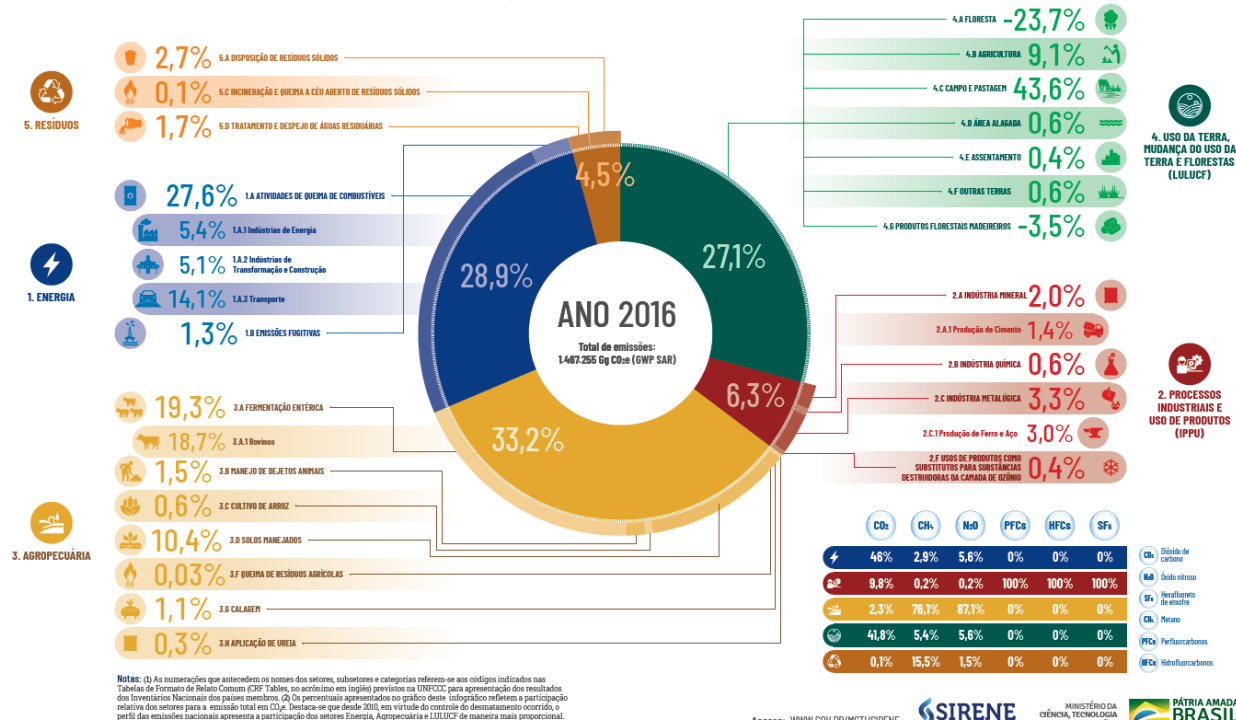
end

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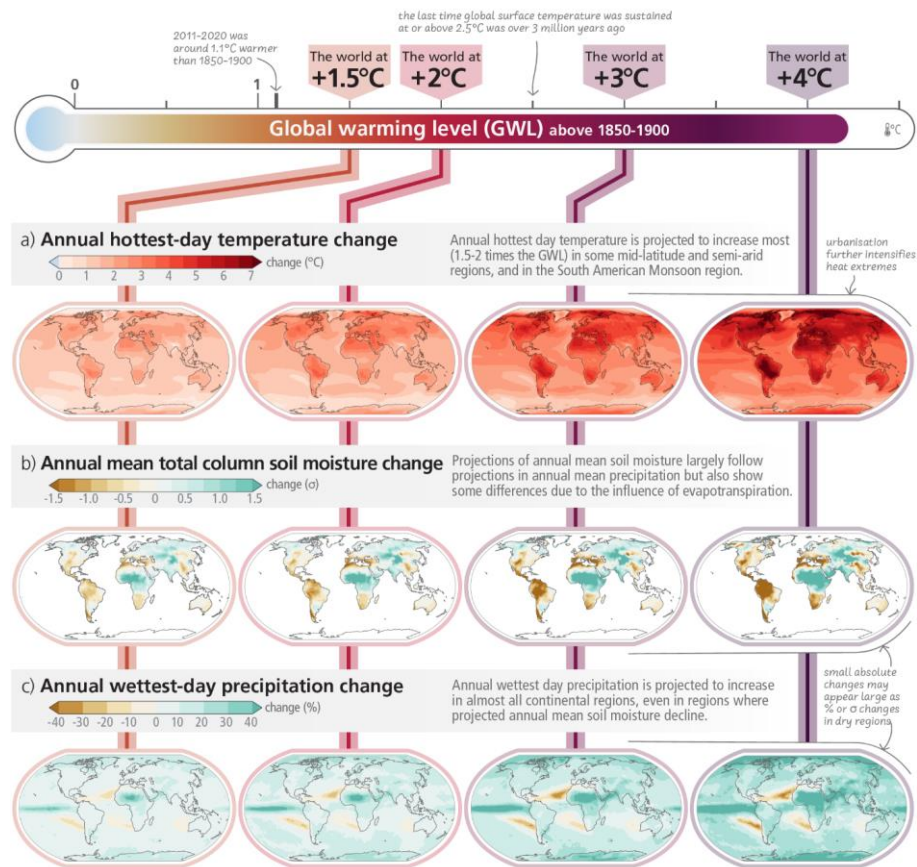
# **Life Cycle Assessment**

# Life Cycle Assessment

## INVENTÁRIO NACIONAL DE EMISSÕES E REMOÇÕES DE GASES DE EFEITO ESTUFA DO BRASIL



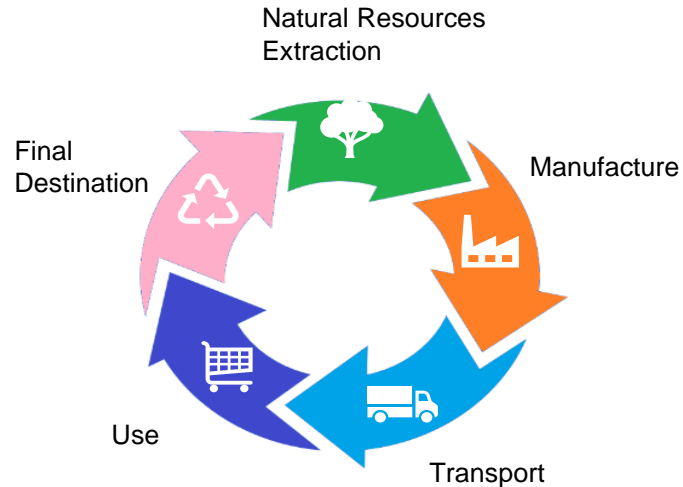
# With every increment of global warming, regional changes in mean climate and extremes become more widespread and pronounced



# Life Cycle Assessment

## Life Cycle Assessment (LCA):

LCA is defined by the ISO 14040 as the compilation and evaluation of the inputs, outputs and the potential environmental impacts of a product system throughout its life cycle.



# Life Cycle Assessment

## Standardization - Life Cycle Assessment (LCA). :

- ISO 14040:2006 Environmental management -- Life cycle assessment -- Principles and framework. ISO 14040: 2006/Amd 1:2020 Environmental management – Life cycle assessment – Principles and framework – Amendment 1.
- ISO 14044:2006 Environmental management – Life cycle assessment – Requirements and guidelines.
- ISO 14044:2006/Amd 1:2017 Environmental management – Life cycle assessment – Requirements and guidelines. Amendment 1.
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# Why should you make a LCA?

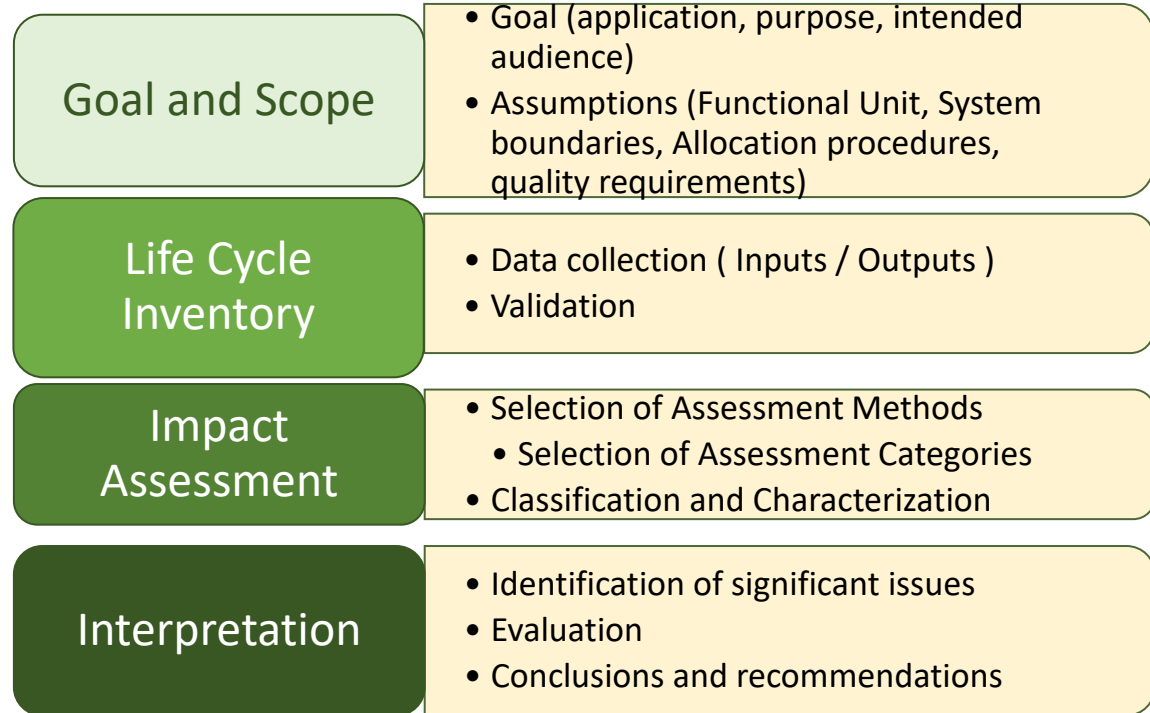
- ✓ **Government Policy**
- ✓ **Decision-making Process**
- ✓ **Demonstrate** the process is **Green**
- ✓ **Product Marketing**



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# Life Cycle Assessment



# Goal and Scope

## Goal:

The goal has four key aspects ISO 14044 (2006)

- ✓ Intended Application of the study
- ✓ The purpose of the study
- ✓ The intended audience
- ✓ Use of comparative analysis

Example:

LCA Element	Summary for this Work
Intended Application	To compare the energy and environmental impact of LED lamps used in general illumination applications with traditional lighting products.
Reasons for the Study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To quantify the energy and environment impacts of LEDs.</li><li>• To address uncertainty in the existing body of literature and LCA reports concerning LED manufacturing methods and assumptions.</li></ul>
Audience	Lighting designers, policy makers, researchers and technical experts considering LED technology in general illumination applications.
Public Results	Results of this study will be freely available, published on the U.S. DOE Solid State Lighting website: <a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/ssl/">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/buildings/ssl/</a>

Source:

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# Goal and Scope

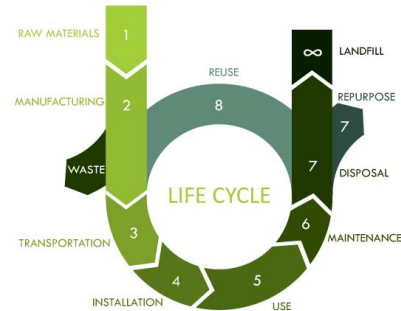
Scope:

- ✓ System under study (description of the system)
- ✓ System boundaries
- ✓ Function of the product and functional unit
- ✓ Allocation procedures
- ✓ Impact categories and the impact assessment method
- ✓ Data requirements
- ✓ ...

# Goal and Scope

## System Boundaries:

- ✓ **Cradle to Grave: 1-7**
- ✓ **Cradle to Gate: 1-2**
- ✓ **Gate to Grave: 3-7**
- ✓ **Gate to Gate: 2**



Example:

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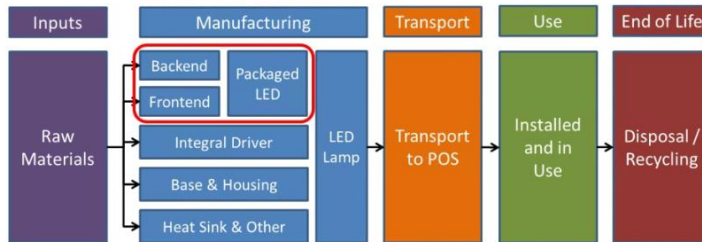


Figure 4-1. System boundary of the Life Cycle Assessment of this Study (Part 2)

-> Process Diagram is useful!

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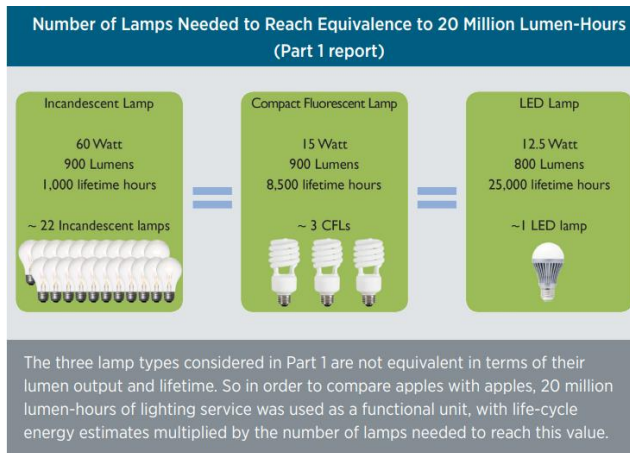
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# Goal and Scope

## System function and functional unit:

- ✓ To describe a product the product's function has to be defined. The functional unit is the quantified definition of the function of a product.

Example:



Function:

Intensity of illumination over a lifetime

Functional unit: 20 million Lumen-Hours

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# Goal and Scope

## Life Cycle Assessment Categories from CML-IA Methodology

Category	Impact e Effects	Main Substances	Unity
Global Warming Potential (GWP 100 Years)	Climate Change, extreme climate events	CO <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O, CH <sub>4</sub>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> -eq
Ozone Layer Depletion Potential (ODP)	Increase of UV rays intensity, skin cancer	Trichlorofluoromet hane (CFC-11), Halon 1301, Halon 1211	kg CFC-11 –eq
Eutrophication Potential (EP)	Emission of macronutrients such as nitrogen (N) and phosphorus (P) and carbon (C) into the environment: Algal blooms, oxygen depletion	NH <sub>3</sub> , P, PO <sub>4</sub> , NO <sub>3</sub>	kg PO <sub>4</sub> -eq
Acidification Potential (AP)	Damage to vegetation, rivers and lakes; material damage	SO <sub>x</sub> , NH <sub>3</sub> , NO <sub>x</sub>	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -eq
Photochemical oxidation Potential (POCP)	Damage to human health and ecosystems and can also damage agricultural crops	VOC, CO, NO <sub>x</sub>	kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> eq
Human Toxicity Potential (HTP)	Acute and chronic toxicity to humans	Benzene, Cupper, Lead	kg 1,4-DB eq (1,4-dichlorobenzene)
EcoToxicity	Acute and chronic toxicity in ecosystems	1,4-dichlorobenzene, Mercury, Arsenic	kg 1,4-DB eq (1,4-dichlorobenzene)

# Goal and Scope

*In case of multi-product system:*

*- Expand the product system (consequential)*

*- Allocation of the impacts (attributitional)*

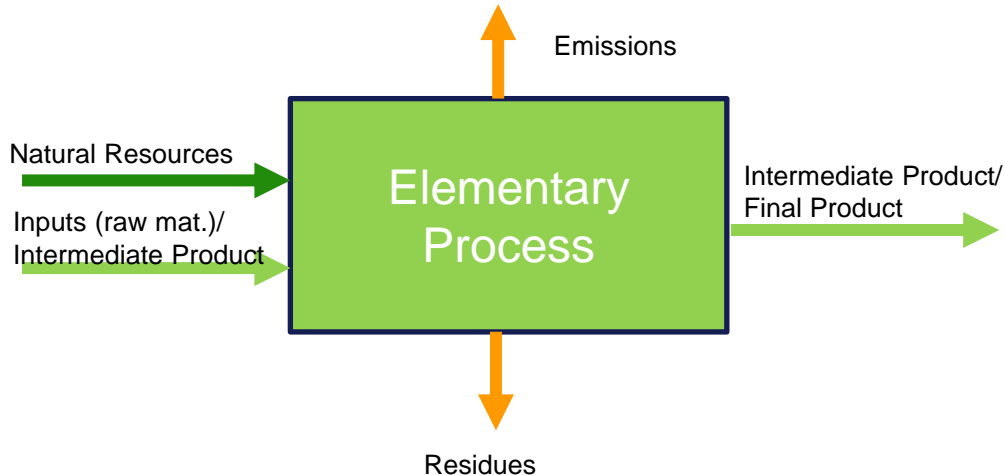
- ❑ **Allocation by Mass:** The inputs and outputs of a process are assigned to all of its products proportionally to their mass
- ❑ **Allocation by Energy:** The inputs and outputs of a process are assigned to all of its products according to their heating value. This allocation method is often used for production processes of fuels.
- ❑ **Allocation by Economic Value:** The inputs and outputs of a process are assigned to all of its products according to their market value.
- ❑ **Allocation by Other Rules:** This can include exergy, substance content, etc.

Source:

Adapted from Gabi. GaBi Paper Clip Tutorial

# Life Cycle Assessment

## Life Cycle Assessment Concepts Elementary Process





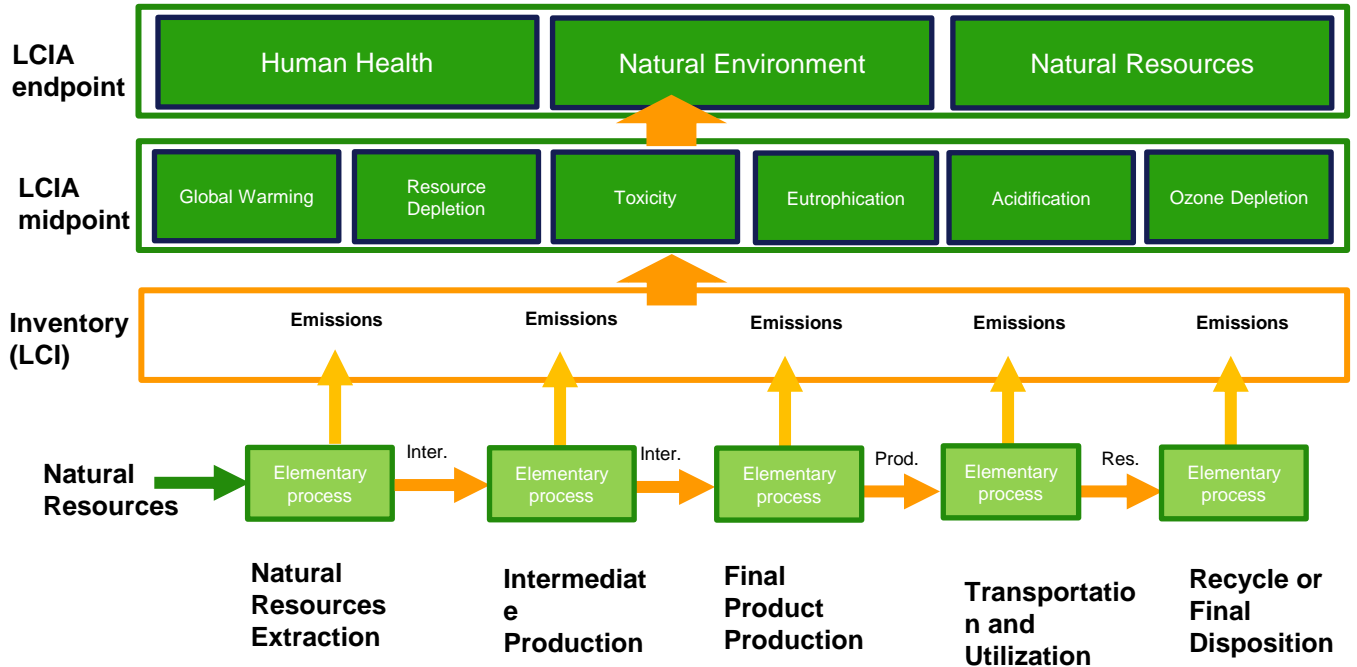
# Example Carbon Capture Case Study Inventory<sup>1</sup>

Functional unit 1t CO2 captured

Flow	Category	Amount	Unit	Description
<b>Inputs</b>				
monoethanolamine	C:Manufacturing/2011:Manufacture of basic chemicals	5.28	kg	100%wt. MEA. MEA Makeup from Carbon Capture Unit
natural gas production	natural gas, energy based	6616872.40	kJ	Natural Gas of CHP
triethylene glycol	E:Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	0.22	kg	99.5%. TEG Makeup from Carbon Capture Unit
water, decarbonised	E:Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	3048.82	kg	Net Water Makeup from MEA and CWT units
Carbon dioxide	Elementary flows/Resource/in air	819.41	kg	CO2 input from Carbon Capture unit
Nitrogen	Elementary flows/Resource/in air	76600.62	kg	Air Input in CHP/ Air from input of CCU
Oxygen	Elementary flows/Resource/in air	21968.50	kg	Air Input in CHP/ Air from input of CCU
Water, in air	Elementary flows/Resource/in air	852.83	kg	Air Input in CHP/ Air from input of CCU
<b>Outputs</b>				
CO2 to wells - MEA				
Carbon Capture - TW		1000.00	kg	CO2 to the wells
electricity, medium voltage	D:Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	328812.65	kJ	Net Electricity Produced
Carbon dioxide, fossil	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	146.07	kg	from CC MEA unit, treated gas.
Carbon dioxide, fossil	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	35.99	kg	Others CO2 emissions
Monoethanolamine	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	5.26	kg	from CC MEA unit, treated gas
Nitrogen	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	9315.59	kg	Emission to Air
Oxygen	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	1009.39	kg	from Oxygen Removal Unit.
Water	Elementary flows/Emission to air/unspecified	1218.03	kg	Emission to Air

<sup>1</sup> Based on Aspen Hysys Simulation Results.

# Life Cycle Assessment





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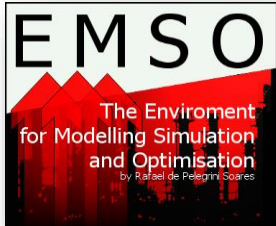
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# EMSO\_OLCA



## EMSO:

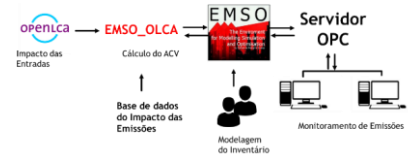
- **Free** for Academic use
- **Equation-Oriented** Simulator
- **Easy** to create new models: **Flexibility**
- **Fast**: lower computational time
- **Interface** with **Python**, C++, Matlab, Scilab, OPC, Excel, LibreOffice



## OpenLCA:

- **Free, OpenSource**
- Several LCIA databases: **Ecoinvent, Agri-footprint,...**
- **Update** of the impact assessment databases

# EMSO\_OLCA



## Characteristics

- ✓ Flexibility
- ✓ Computational Speed (LCA of ethanol): 0.296 s
- ✓ Accuracy (LCA of ethanol): mean error of 0.0015%
- ✓ Integrated to **functionalities** of **EMSO**
- ✓ **Emissions impact** is accessed by **OpenLCA database**
- ✓ **OpenLCA Impact Methodologies Available:**
  - ✓ 99 methodologies: IPCC, 2013; CML, 2001; ReCiPe, 2016; ...
  - ✓ 1479 Characterization Factors
- ✓ **OpenLCA** database update

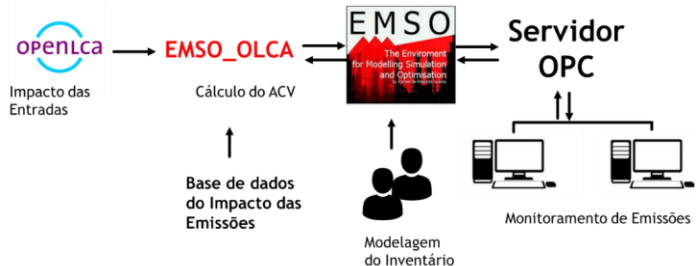
# EMSO\_OLCA

## Applications:

- ✓ Identification of **bottleneck** and **improvement** opportunities
- ✓ Chemical Process **Routes** Selection
- ✓ **Process design** decisions: E.g. Different equipment configurations, process variables values

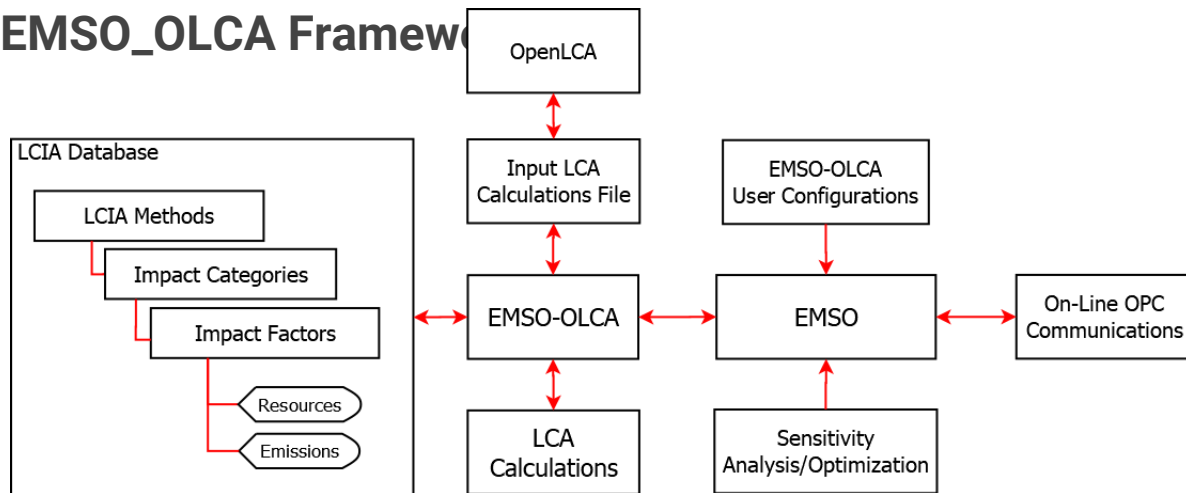
✓ Process **Monitoring**

✓ Process **Control**



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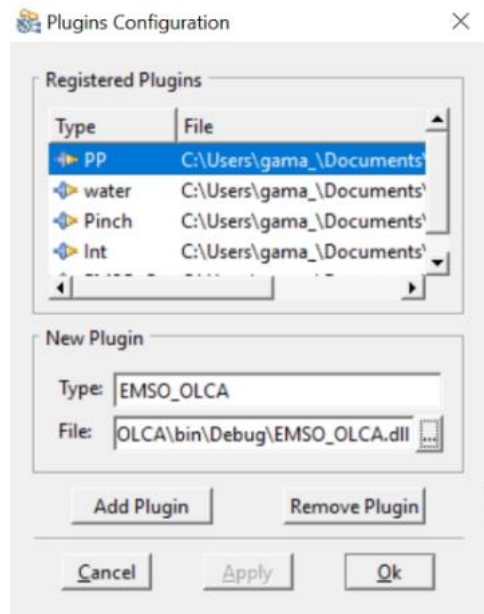
## EMSO\_OLCA Framework



# EMSO\_OLCA

## Installation

- ✓ For installation, the file EMSO\_OLCA library should be informed on EMSO in Menu> Config>Plugins
- ✓ In the field New Plugin:
  - ✓ Type: EMSO\_OLCA
  - ✓ File: Path to library





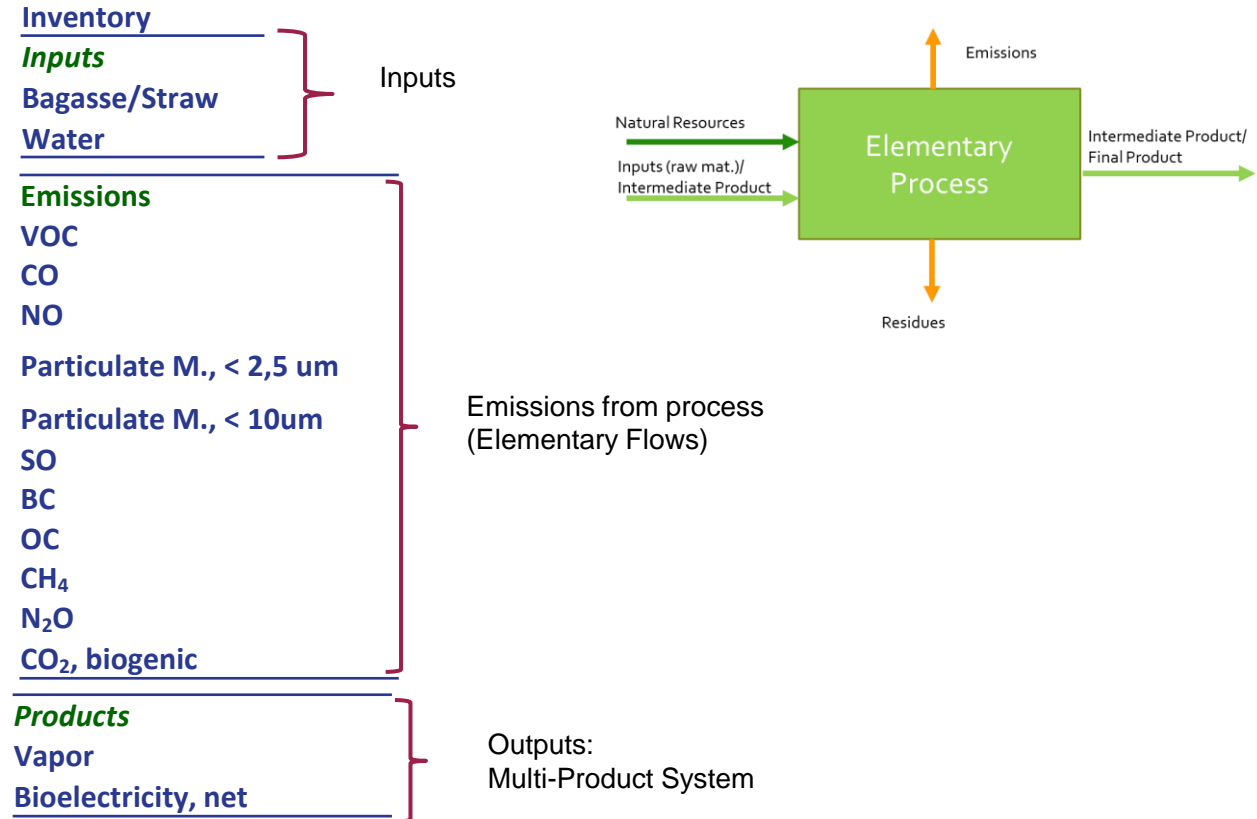
# EMSO\_OLCA

## LCIA Database

- ✓ Database is available on the NEXUS-OPENLCA website ([nexus.openlca.org/databases](https://nexus.openlca.org/databases)). It can be downloaded for free (OpenLCA LCIA methods)
- ✓ The integration format with EMSO-OLCA is **JSON-LD**
- ✓ Note that the methodology should be **compatible** with the LCI
- ✓ ***DataBasePath*** will be the path to this folder.

# Identification of the Emissions Flows

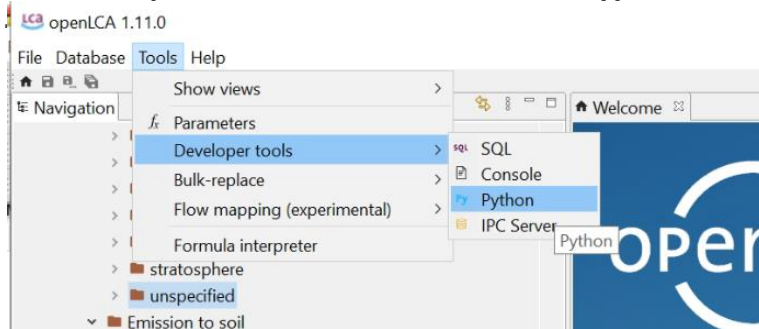
## Example: Co-generation Steam and Electricity



# EMSO\_OLCA

**Get Impact Assessment from Inputs -> Input LCA File**

EMSO-OLCA entries are imported directly from OpenLCA and their impact is calculated through Menu **TOOLS > Developer**



# EMSO\_OLCA

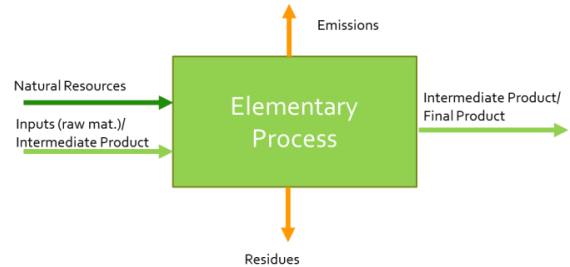
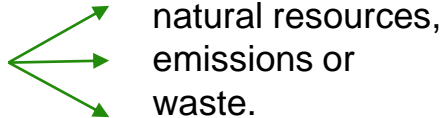
## Input LCA File

To export the entries in a .csv file, please:

- ✓ Run the code in Python
- ✓ Select the entries to be considered
- ✓ Select the Life Cycle Assessment method
- ✓ Indicate the location to save the .csv file with the results of input impacts.

# EMSO\_OLCA

## Elementary Flows



For example (see OpenLCA),

***ElementaryFlowPath1:*** Emission to air

***ElementaryFlowPath2:*** high population density/low population density/  
unspecified/stratosphere/lower stratosphere + upper troposphere

***ElementaryFlowPath1:*** Emission to water

***ElementaryFlowPath2:*** fossil-/fresh water/ground water/lake/ocean/ river/ surface  
water/unspecified

# EMSO\_OLCA

## EMSO\_OLCA User Configurations Syntax

### PARAMETERS

```
obj as Plugin (Type= "EMSO_OLCA",  
DataBasePath=["Path/methods_database"],  
MethodName= ["MethodName"],  
ImpactCategory=["ImpactCategory1", "ImpactCategory2"],  
InputFileName=["Path/export_input.csv"],  
Inputs=["name of input1", "name of input 2"],  
OutputName=["name of the output 1"],  
OutputUnit=["kg"],  
ElementaryFlows=["Emission1", "Emission2", "ResourceName1", "ResourceName"],  
ElementaryFlowPath1=["Emission to air", "Emission to air", "Resource", "Resource"],  
ElementaryFlowPath2=["low population density", "low population density", "in water",  
"land"],  
UnitFileName=["Path/EMSO_OLCA_units.csv"],  
MethodologyType=["attributional"], # ou "consequential"  
AllocationType=["mass"]); # ou "energy" ou "economic"
```

# EMSO\_OLCA

## LCA Calculations

$$LCIA_c = \sum_i IF_{c,i} \times LCI_i$$

(Jolliet et al., 2010)

$$f_k = \frac{par_k \cdot m_k}{\sum_j (par_j \cdot m_j)}$$

(Guinée, 1995)

# EMSO\_OLCA

## EMSO\_OLCA Basic LCAModel Syntax

```
Model LCABasic
PARAMETERS
outer NoComps as Integer;
outer obj as Plugin(Type="EMSO_OLCA");

ni as Integer (Brief="Number of Inputs", Default=2);
ncf as Integer (Brief="Number of Characterization Factors", Default=3);
no as Integer (Brief="Number of Outputs", Default=2);
ne as Integer (Brief="Number of ElementaryFlows (emissions+resources)", Default=2);
nc as Integer (Brief="Number of Consequential Input", Default=0);
alloc_par(no) as Real (Default=1, Lower=1e-5);

VARIABLES

cf(ncf, ni) as Real;
ef(ncf, ne) as Real;
r (ncf, no) as Real;
p (ncf, ni+ne+nc) as Real;

input_values(ni) as Real (Default=1);
emission_values(ne) as Real(Default=1);
output_values(no) as Real (Default=1, Lower=1e-5);

EQUATIONS

[ef(1,:),ef(2,:),ef(3,:),ef(4,:),ef(5,:),ef(6,:),ef(7,:),ef(8,:),ef(9,:),ef(10,:),ef(11,:)] = obj.EmissionFactor();
[cf(1,:),cf(2,:),cf(3,:),cf(4,:),cf(5,:),cf(6,:),cf(7,:),cf(8,:),cf(9,:),cf(10,:),cf(11,:)] = obj.CharacterizationFacto

# keep input values and emissions values in kg
[r(1,:), r(2,:), r(3,:), r(4,:), r(5,:), r(6,:), r(7,:), r(8,:), r(9,:), r(10,:), r(11,:)] =
obj.LcaCalc(input_values, emission_values, output_values, alloc_par);

[p(1,:), p(2,:), p(3,:), p(4,:), p(5,:), p(6,:), p(7,:), p(8,:), p(9,:), p(10,:), p(11,:)] =
obj.LcaPercentual(input_values, emission_values, output_values, alloc_par);

end
```



# EMSO\_OLCA Test

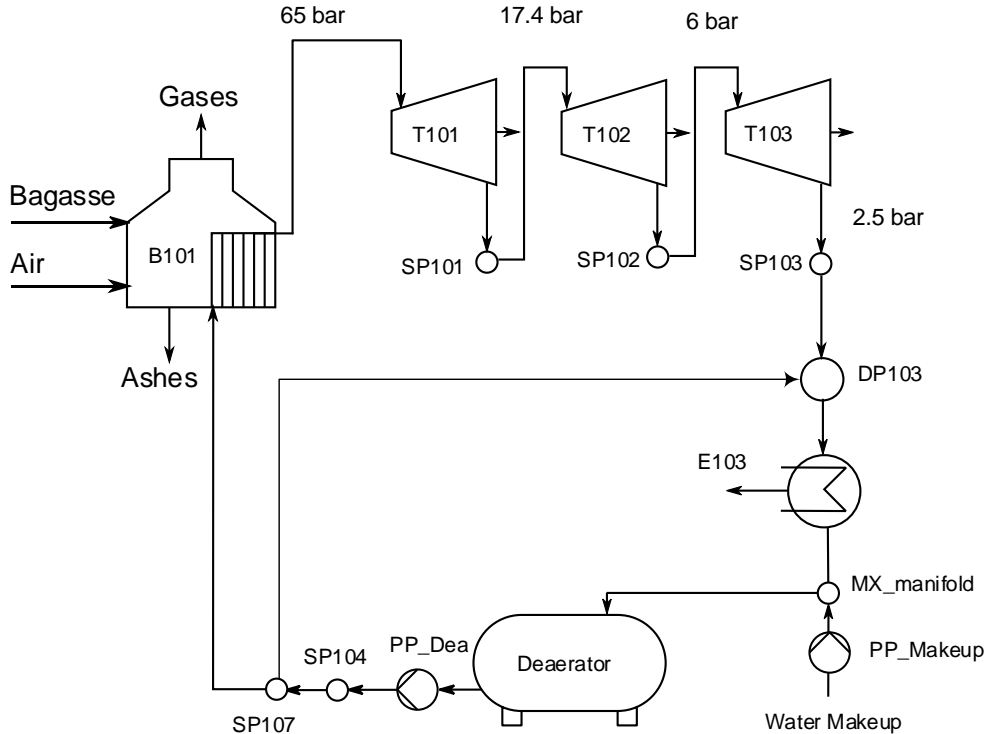
Ethanol Test Case - Ecolnvent 3.8, ethanol production autonomous plant, BR, 1Kg  
CML Baseline

Impact category	Reference unit	OpenLCA Result	OLCA_EMESO Result	% Error
Abiotic depletion	kg Sb eq	$4.2916 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4.2962 \cdot 10^{-6}$	0.1083%
Abiotic depletion (fossil fuels)	MJ	3.2862	3.2862	-0.0001%
Acidification	kg SO2 eq	$1.3946 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.3946 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.0001%
Eutrophication	kg PO4--- eq	$7.4082 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$7.4082 \cdot 10^{-3}$	-0.0001%
Fresh water aquatic ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq	$1.3882 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$1.3882 \cdot 10^{-1}$	0.0000%
Global warming (GWP100a)	kg CO2 eq	$6.5146 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$6.5140 \cdot 10^{-2}$	-0.0090%
Human toxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	$2.5019 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$2.5019 \cdot 10^{-1}$	-0.0001%
Marine aquatic ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	$2.5725 \cdot 10^{+2}$	$2.5726 \cdot 10^{+2}$	0.0000%
Ozone layer depletion (ODP)	kg CFC-11 eq	$1.9625 \cdot 10^{-8}$	$1.9639 \cdot 10^{-8}$	0.0686%
Photochemical oxidation	kg C2H4 eq	$1.6936 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.6938 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.0128%
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq	$1.0923 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.0924 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.0071%

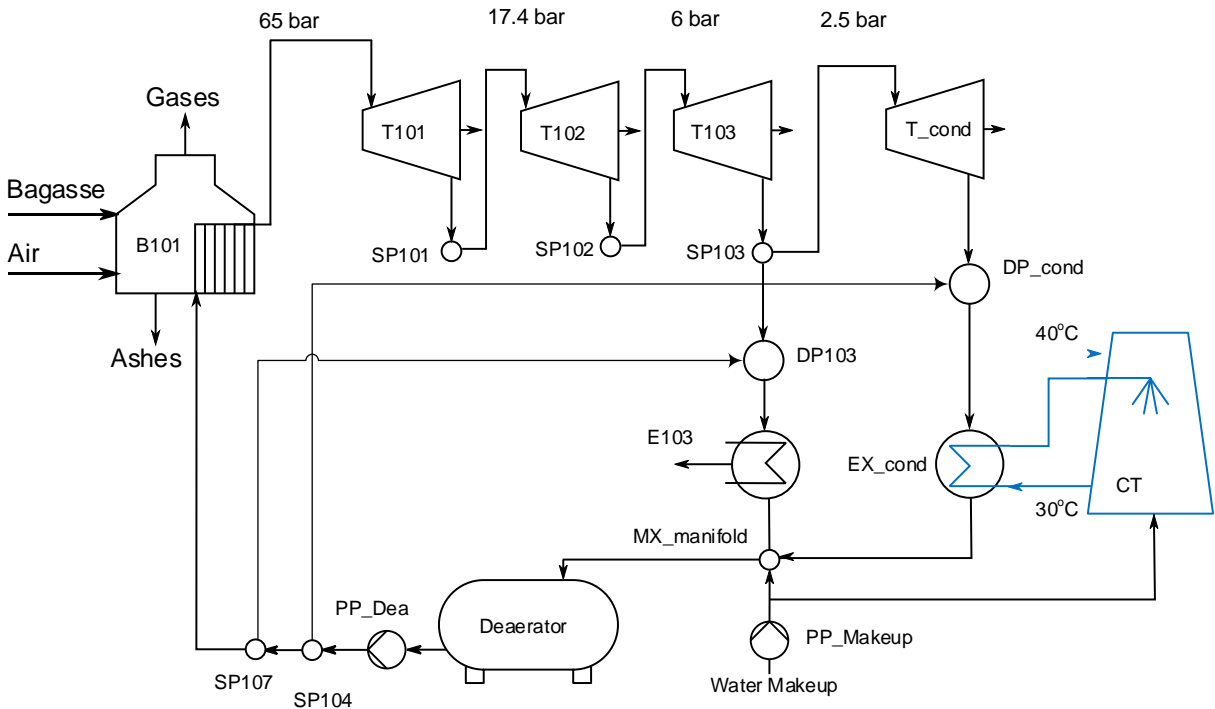
Mean Error 0.0015%

# Bioelectricity and Steam Co-generation

## Scenario 1 – without condensing turbine



## Bioelectricity and Steam Co-generation Scenario2 -with condensing turbine



# Bioelectricity and Steam Co-generation

## Emission on Boiler

Emissions <sup>1</sup>	Elementary Flow <sup>2</sup>	Elementary Flow Path <sup>1 2</sup>	Value <sup>1</sup>	Unit
VOC	NMVOC	Emission to air	0.00761463	kg/t
CO	Carbon monoxide	Emission to air	0.120739025	kg/t
NO	Nitrogen oxides	Emission to air	0.795076714	kg/t
PM2.5	Particulates, < 2.5 um	Emission to air	0.015689025	kg/t
PM10	Particulates, < 10um	Emission to air	0.017764133	kg/t
SO	Sulfur oxides	Emission to air	0.729576105	kg/t
BC	Black Carbon	Emission to air	0.002165085	kg/t
OC	Organic Carbon	Emission to air	0.005114622	kg/t
CH <sub>4</sub>	Methane	Emission to air	0.122146171	kg/t
NO <sub>2</sub>	Dinitrogen monoxide	Emission to air	0.075615476	kg/t
CO <sub>2</sub>	Carbon dioxide, biogenic	Emission to air	from simulation	-

Source: <sup>1</sup> Greet (2022) <sup>2</sup> OpenLCA (2022)

# Cogeneration Analysis

## Inventory Results

Inventory	Unit	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Δ%
<i>Inputs</i>				
Bagasse/Straw	t/h	38.04	129.06	239%
Water	t/h	7.46	479.56	6333%
<i>Emissions</i>				
VOC	kg/h	0.32	1.08	239%
CO	kg/h	5.06	17.18	239%
NO	kg/h	33.34	113.11	239%
Particulate M., < 2,5 um	kg/h	0.66	2.23	239%
Particulate M., < 10um	kg/h	0.74	2.53	239%
SO	kg/h	30.59	103.79	239%
BC	kg/h	0.09	0.31	239%
OC	kg/h	0.21	0.73	239%
CH <sub>4</sub>	kg/h	5.12	17.38	239%
N <sub>2</sub> O	kg/h	3.17	10.76	239%
CO <sub>2</sub> , biogenic	t/h	61.56	208.87	239%
<i>Products</i>				
Vapor	MWh	113.50	113.50	0%
Bioelectricity, net	MWh	34.02	154.38	354%

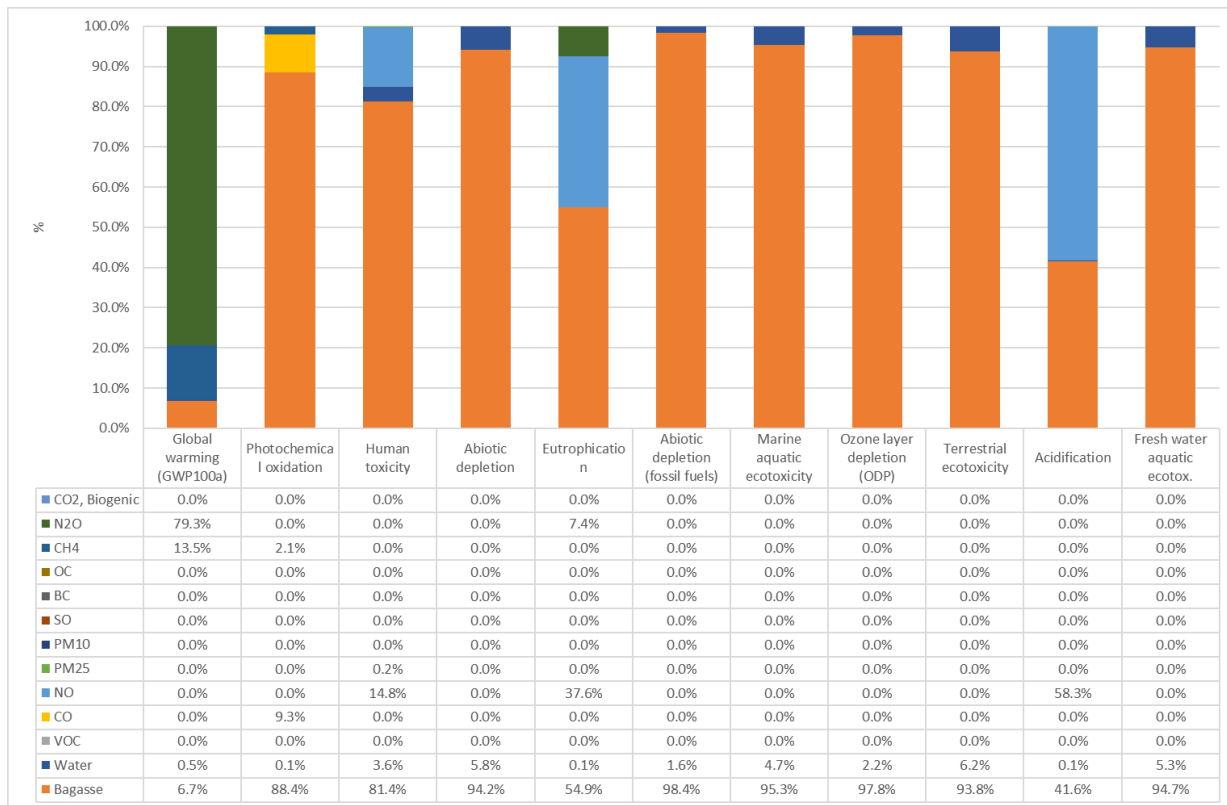
# Cogeneration Analysis

## LCA Results

Impact Category	Unit	Scenario 1	Scenario 2	Δ%
Global Warming (GWP100a)	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq/MJ	$1.995 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.033 \cdot 10^{-3}$	102%
Photochemical oxidation	kg C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> eq/MJ	$2.761 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.285 \cdot 10^{-6}$	91%
Human toxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq/MJ	$5.087 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.571 \cdot 10^{-3}$	209%
Abiotic depletion	kg Sb eq/MJ	$7.270 \cdot 10^{-9}$	$2.776 \cdot 10^{-8}$	282%
Eutrophication	kg PO <sub>4</sub> -eq/MJ	$2.172 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.120 \cdot 10^{-5}$	90%
Abiotic depletion (fossil fuels)	MJ/MJ	$5.979 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.448 \cdot 10^{-2}$	142%
Marine aquatic ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq/MJ	$4.470 \cdot 10^{-1}$	1.533E+00	243%
Ozone layer depletion (ODP)	kg CFC-11 – eq/MJ	$3.558 \cdot 10^{-11}$	9.244E-11	160%
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	kg 1,4-DB eq/MJ	$1.955 \cdot 10^{-6}$	7.737E-06	296%
Acidification	kg SO <sub>2</sub> -eq/MJ	$5.381 \cdot 10^{-5}$	1.026E-04	91%
Fresh water aquatic ecotox.	kg 1,4-DB eq/MJ	$2.411 \cdot 10^{-4}$	8.787E-04	264%

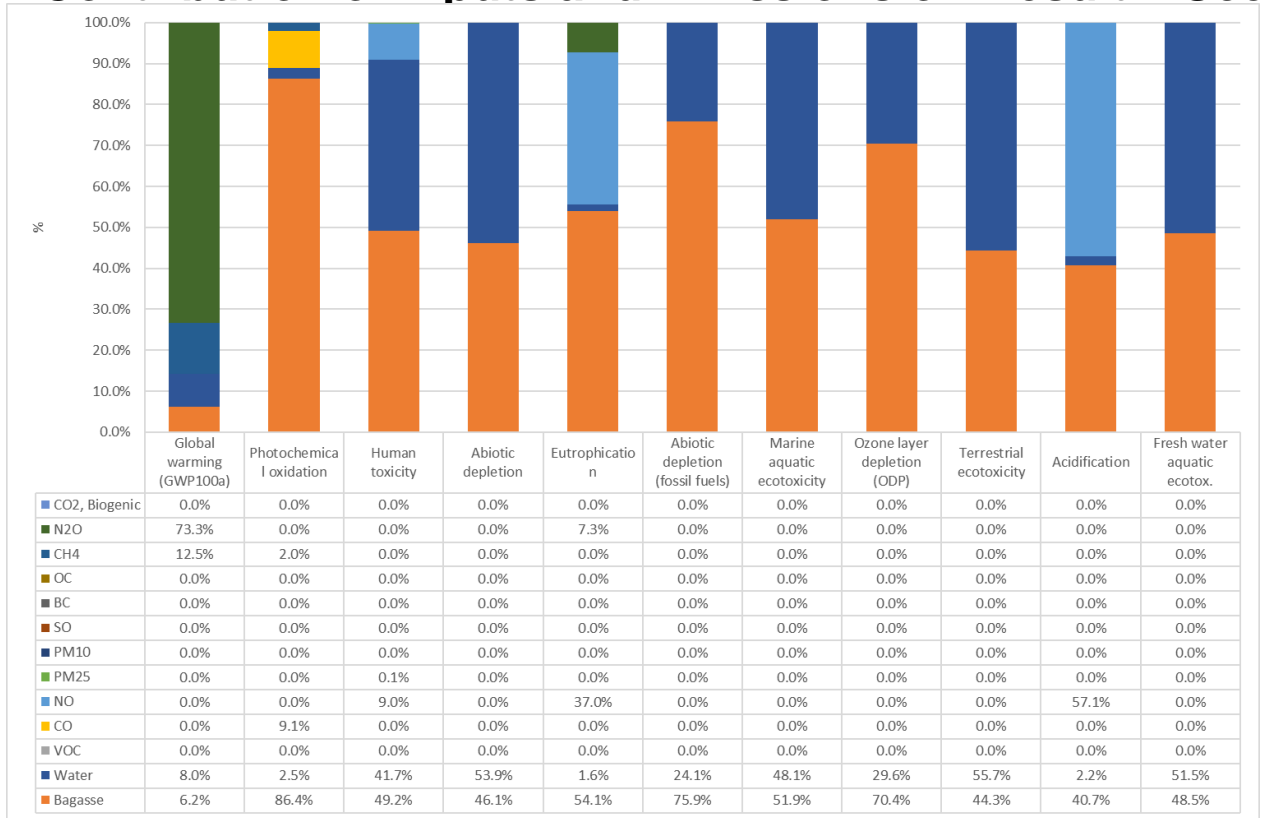
# Cogeneration Analysis

## Contribution of Inputs and Emissions on Result – Scenario



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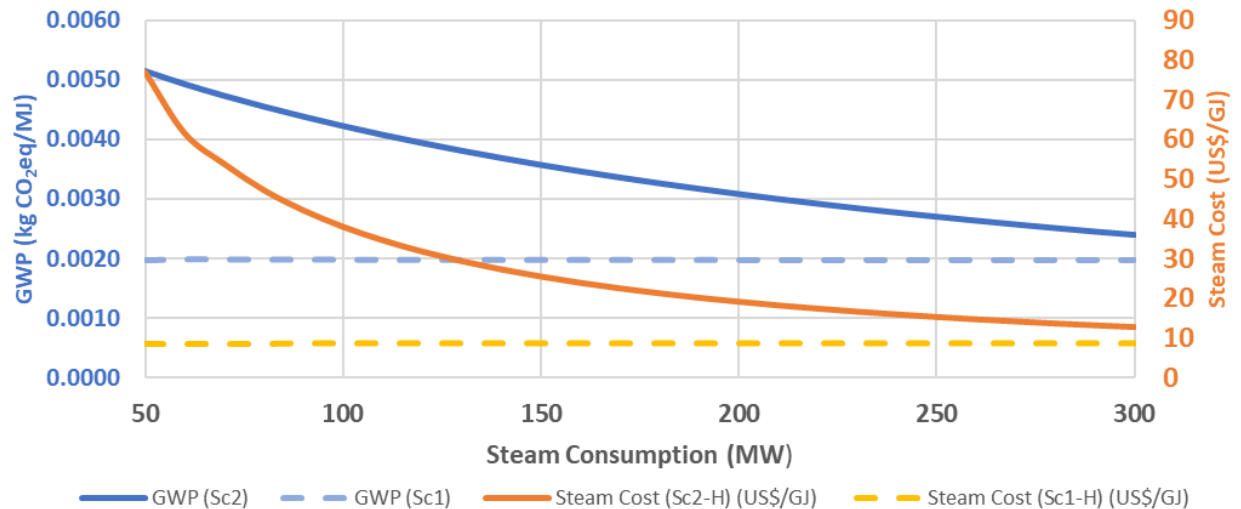
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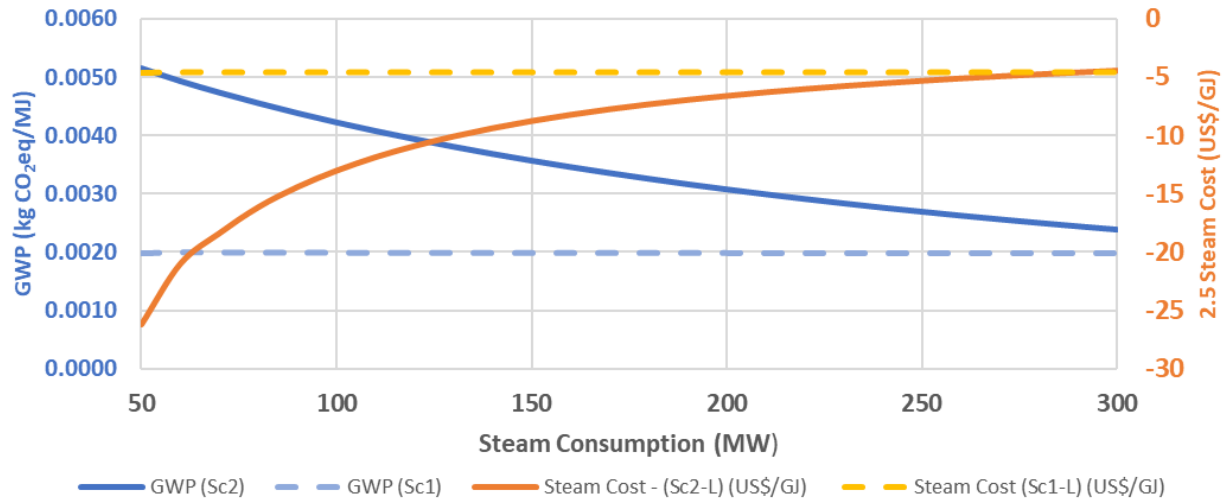
## Effect on GWP and Steam Cost, varying Steam Consumption



High Bagasse Price: 0.150 US\$/kg

# Cogeneration Analysis Results

## Effect on GWP and Steam Cost, varying Steam Consumption



Low Bagasse Price: 0.015 US\$/kg

# Examples - Bottle

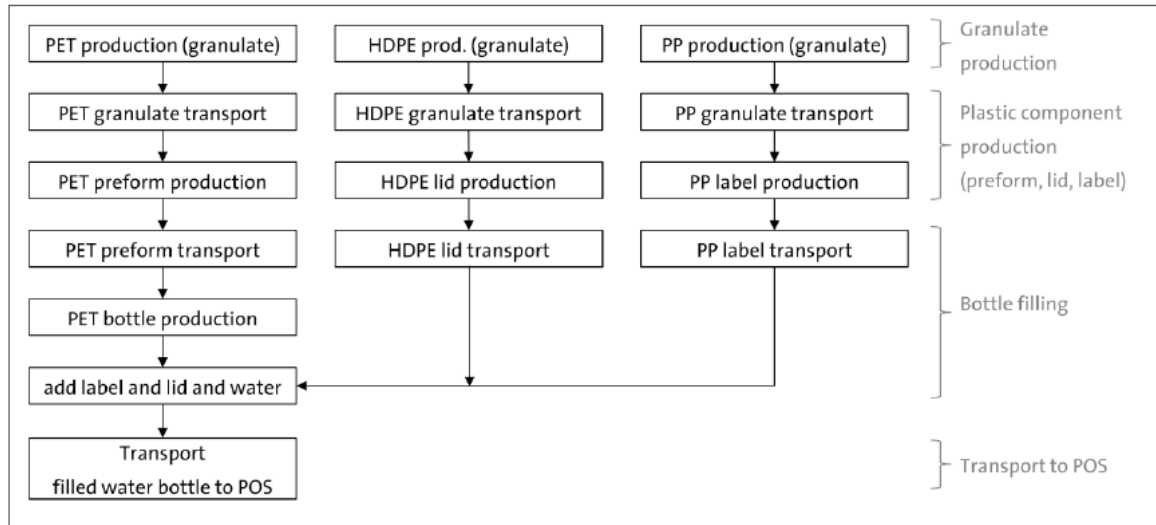


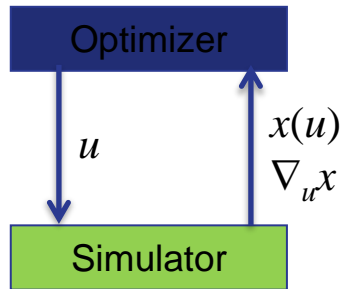
Figure 2: System boundaries, edited from Papong (2014, 541). PET = polyethylene terephthalate, PP = polypropylene, HDPE = high density polyethylene, POS = point of sale

# Cogeneration Analysis

## Results

Minimize vapor price varying condenser duty ( $u$ )

Feasible path approach



$\min$  Vapor Price

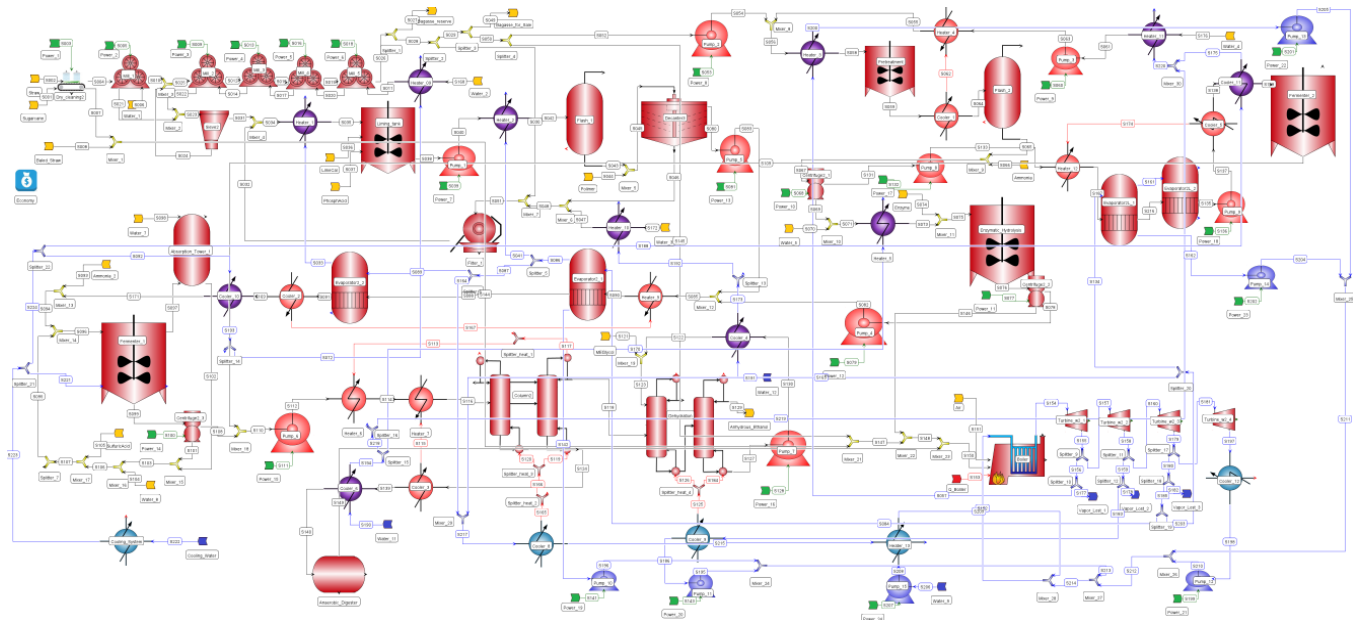
s.t.:

$$x(u) \in \{x \in X \subseteq \Re^m / h(x, u) = 0\}$$

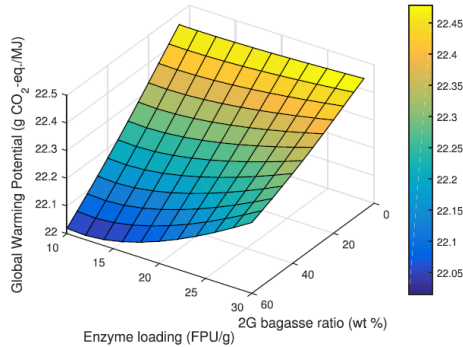
$$\nabla_u x = -\nabla_u h [\nabla_x h]^{-1} \quad J^T(x, u) = \nabla_x h$$

# Ethanol 1G-2G

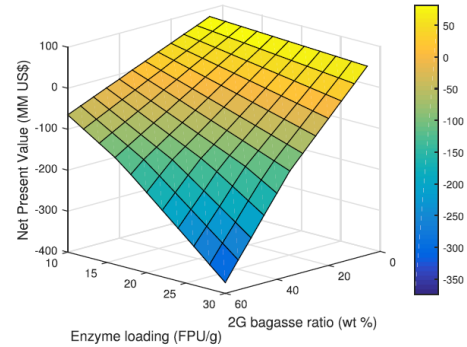
## Process Flow Diagram in EMSO



# Ethanol 1G-2G



(a)



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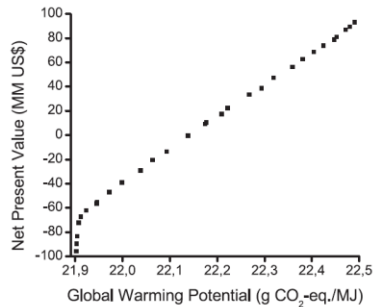


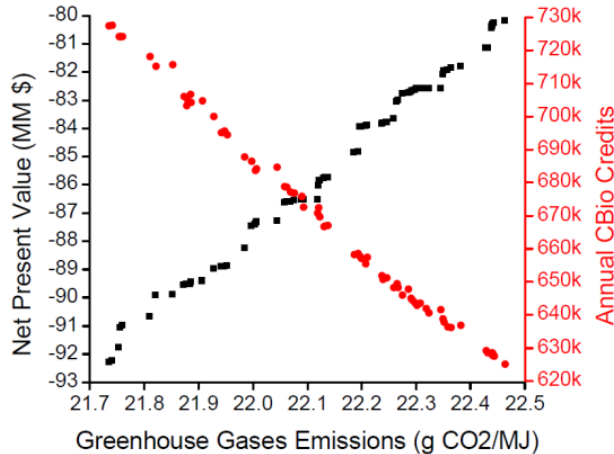
Fig. 3. Pareto set of optimal results for Net Present Value and Global Warming Potential.

Multi-objective optimization

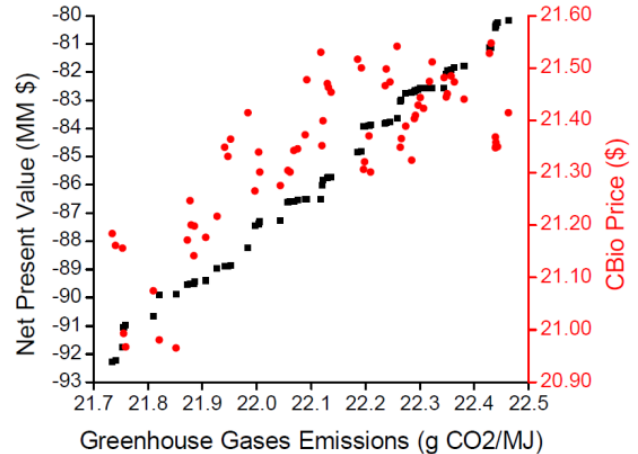
- 2G bagasse ratio
- Solid loading
- Enzyme loading

# Ethanol 1G-2G

## Pareto set of optimal solutions



The integrated biorefinery would award about 625-728 mil CBio credits yearly.



The CBio price to achieve economic feasibility of the integrated biorefinery would be about \$20.96-\$21.55.

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