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# Gas (& Oil) Developments Introduction

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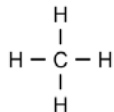


- What is Natural gas?
- Why do we process gas?
- What are the main issues involved?
- How are processing systems put together?

# What is Natural Gas

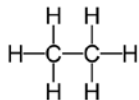
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- CH<sub>4</sub>
- C<sub>1</sub>



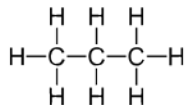
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- C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>
- C<sub>2</sub>



- Propane

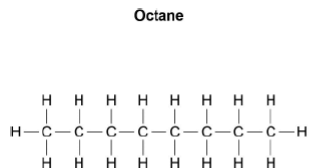
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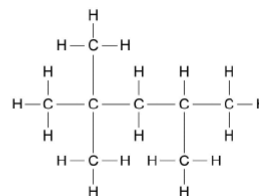
- Octane

- C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>18</sub>
- C<sub>8</sub>



Boiling point: 125 °C

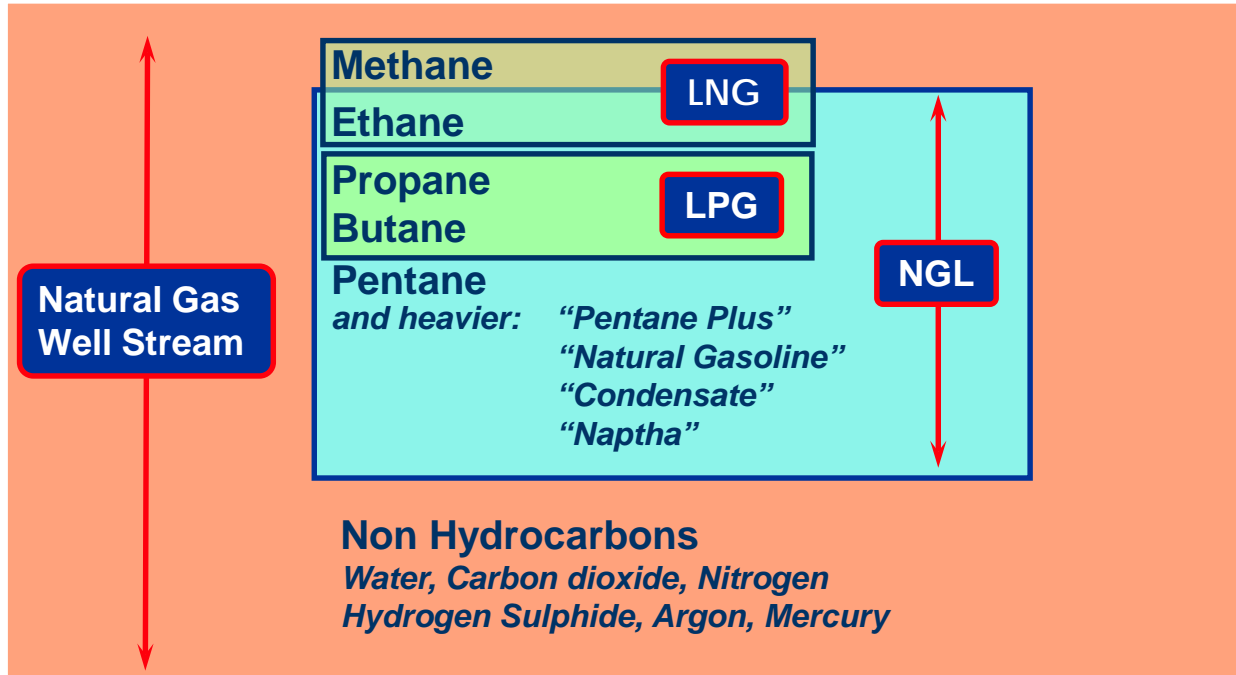
Isooctane



Boiling point: 99 °C

- Non Hydrocarbons:

- Water, Carbon Dioxide, Nitrogen, Hydrogen Sulphide, Mercury, Argon...



	<u>Liquid at</u>	<u>MW</u>
C1 - Methane	-161 °C	16
C2 - Ethane	- 88 °C	30
C3 - Propane	- 42 °C	44
C4 - Butane (iso)	- 12 °C	58
C4 - Butane (nor)	- 0.5 °C	
C5 - Pentane (iso)	28 °C	72
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C6 - Hextane	70 °C	86
C7 - Heptane	100 °C	100

- Markets
- Economics of processing and transportation
- Efficiency of energy generation (combustion)
- Environmental impact



# Why do we Process Gas?

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- Safety
  - Protect our customers, ourselves and the general public.
  - To protect our Assets, our customers assets.
    - To manage toxicity and corrosion concerns
    - To make it dry
- Specifications
  - To meet customers' specifications
  - To add value
- Transport
  - To allow for delivery conditions
  - To account for availability requirements

# What don't we want?

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- Water (Corrosion / Hydrates)
- Heavy Hydrocarbons (2 Phase Flow)
- CO<sub>2</sub> (Corrosion)
- H<sub>2</sub>S (Corrosion / Toxic)

# Typical Product Specifications



## *Oil*

Vapour Pressure	TVP < 83 kPa@T RVP < 10-12 psi
Base Sediment & Water	BS&W < 0.5%
Salt Content	NaCl < 70 g/m <sup>3</sup>
Temperature	> PourPoint
Hydrogen Sulfide	H <sub>2</sub> S < 70 g/ m <sup>3</sup>

## *Water*

Dispersed Oil Content	< 40 g/m <sup>3</sup>
Suspended Solids Content	< 50 g/m <sup>3</sup>
Composition & Compatibility	

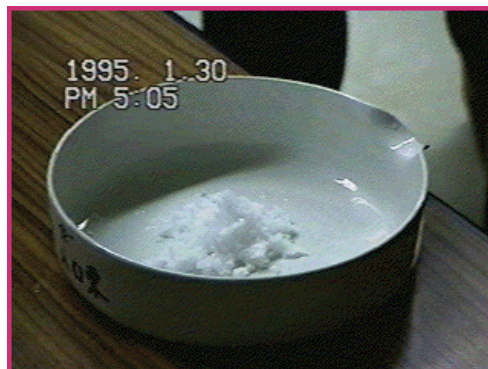
## *Gas*

Hydrocarbon Dew Point	-3°C @ < 7000 kPa
Water Dew Point	-8°C @ < 7000 kPa
Heating Value	37-43 MJ/Sm <sup>3</sup>
Max amounts	Inerts, CO <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> S
Delivery Pressure & Temperature	

- Why is water in gas?
  - Hydrocarbons are normally found in conjunction with water
  - Hydrocarbons and water have been in geological contact for millions of years
  
- Water content depends on:
  - Composition
  - Pressure
  - Temperature
  
- Why is water an issue?
  - Free water leads to
    - Corrosion in the presence of other components (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S etc)
    - Hydrates
  - Water is non-combustible

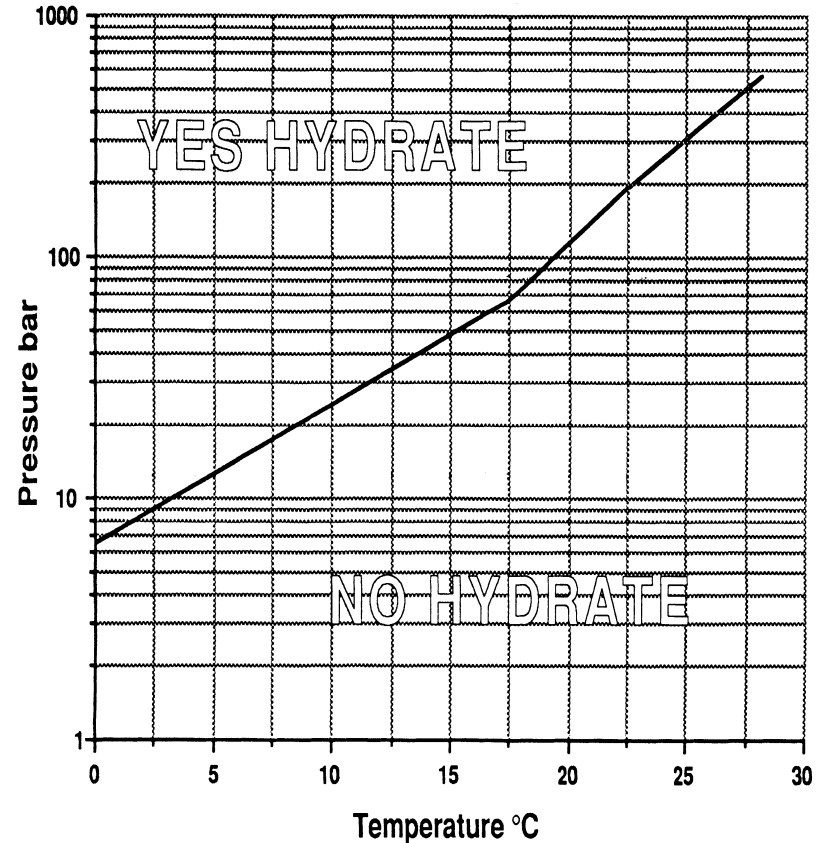
# What are Hydrates

- Hydrates are:
  - Deposits resembling ice, compacted snow, or wax
  - Formed by combination of water and light HCs, CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>S
  - Grow like crystals that build up and plug lines, valves, orifices, etc

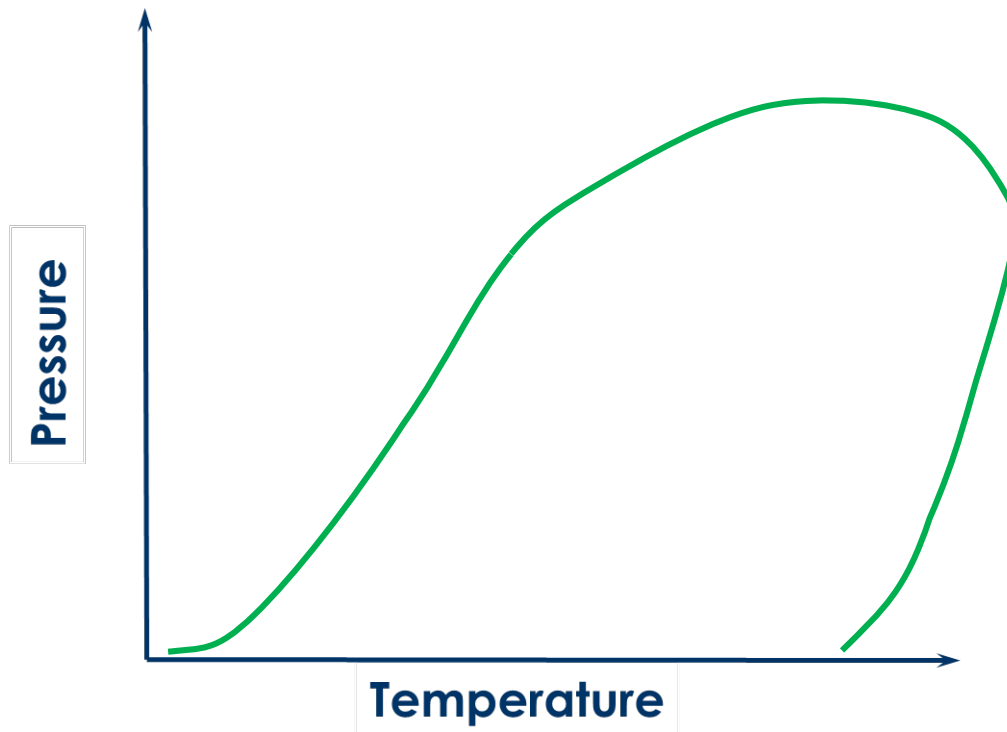


# Requirements for Hydrates

- For hydrates to form the following are pre-requisites:
  - Free water
  - High Pressure
  - Low Temperature
- Different Strategies:
  - Stay out of the hydrate region (keep warm)
  - Ensure no free water (dry)
  - Hydrate inhibition
    - MEG / Methanol

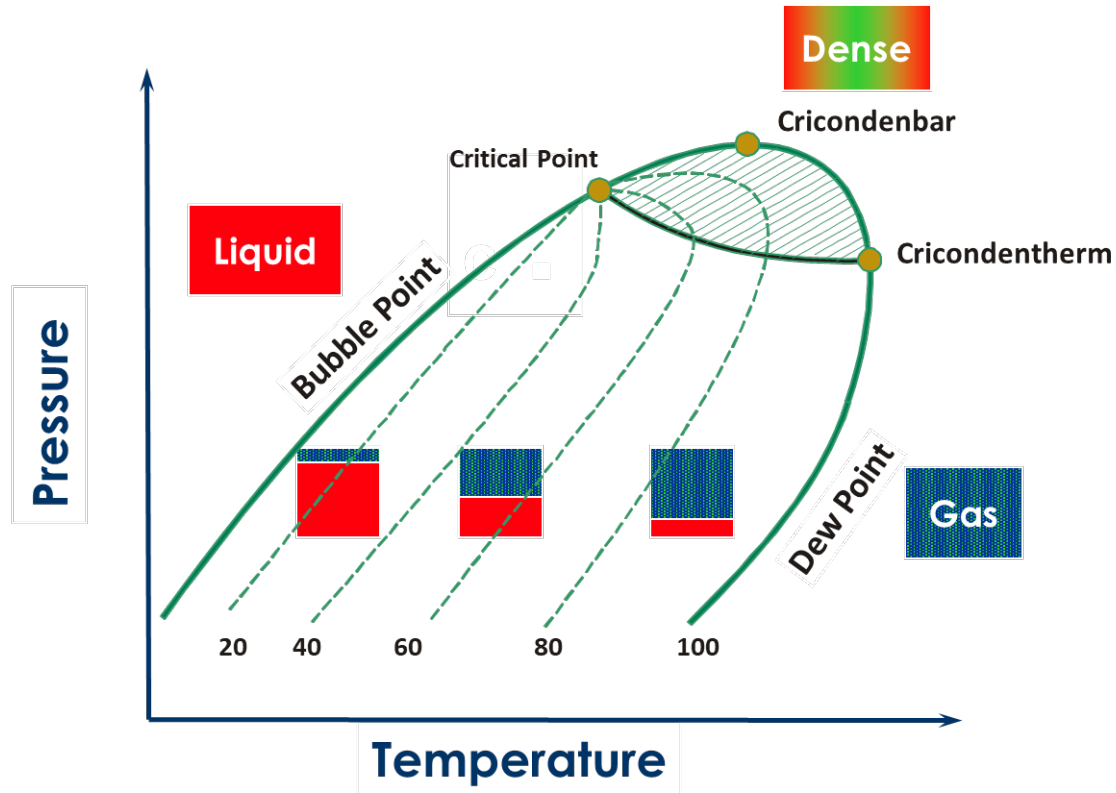


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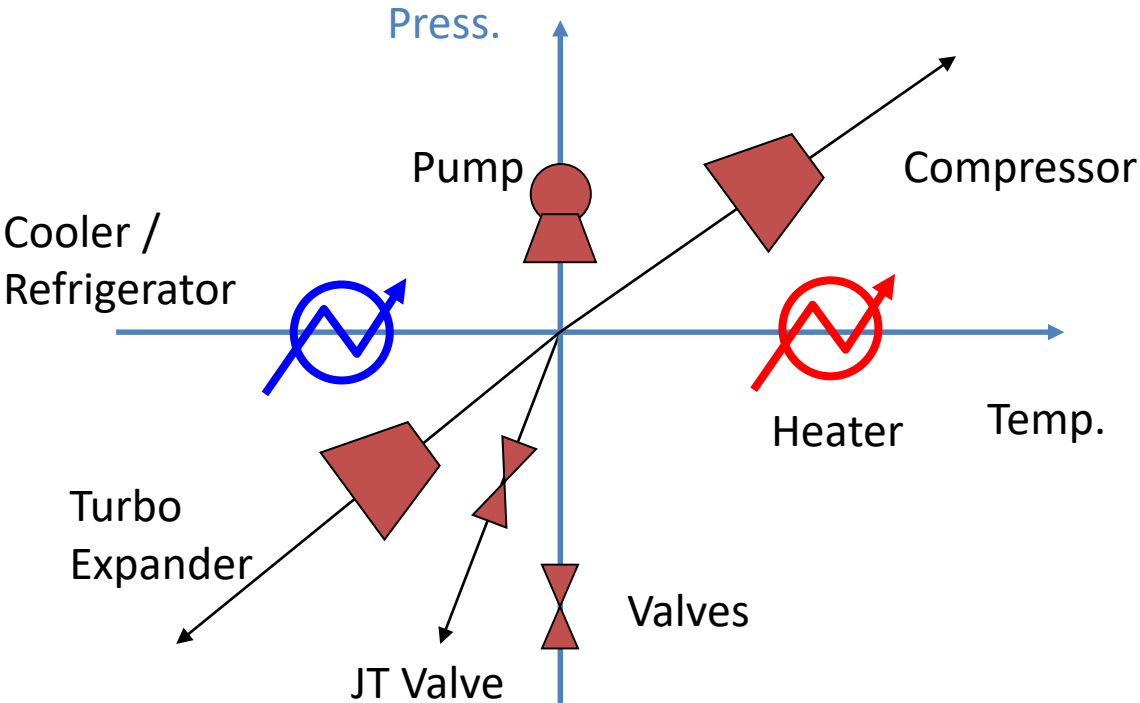




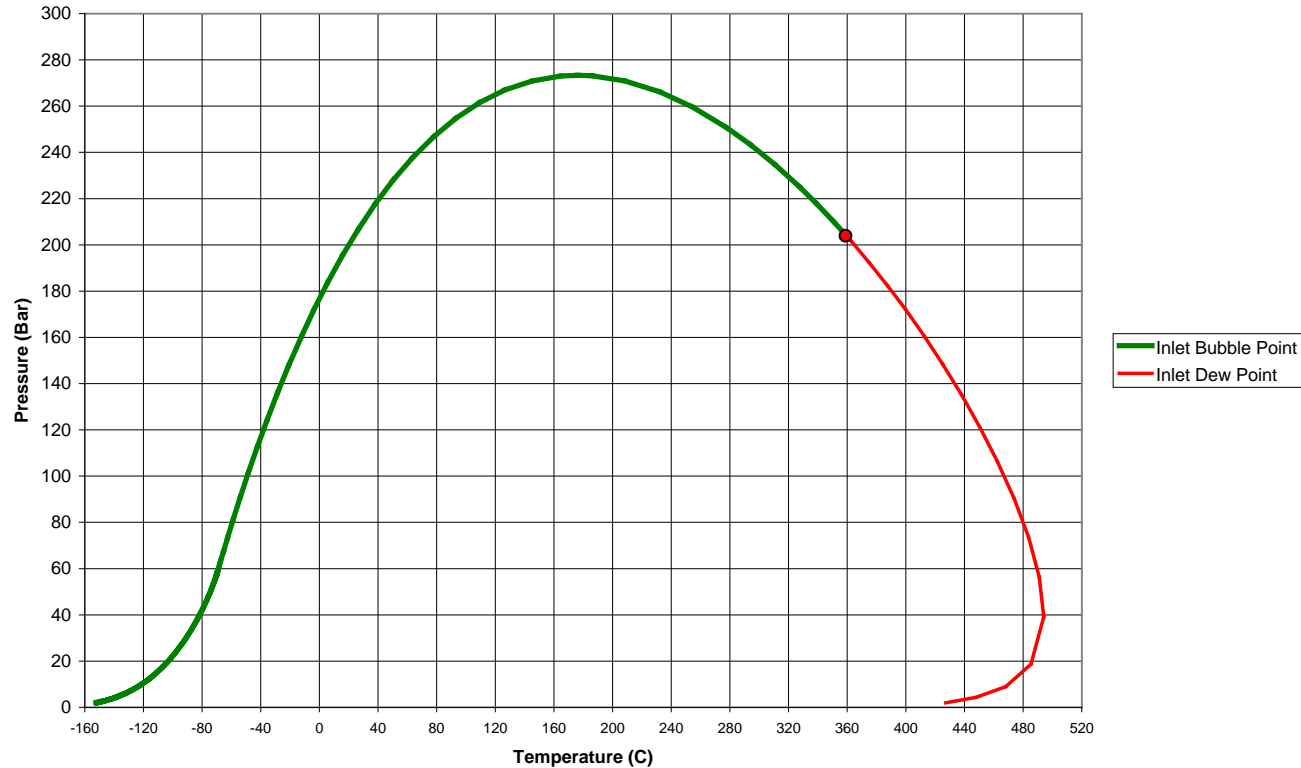
# Multi-component Hydrocarbon Phase behaviour - The Phase Envelope

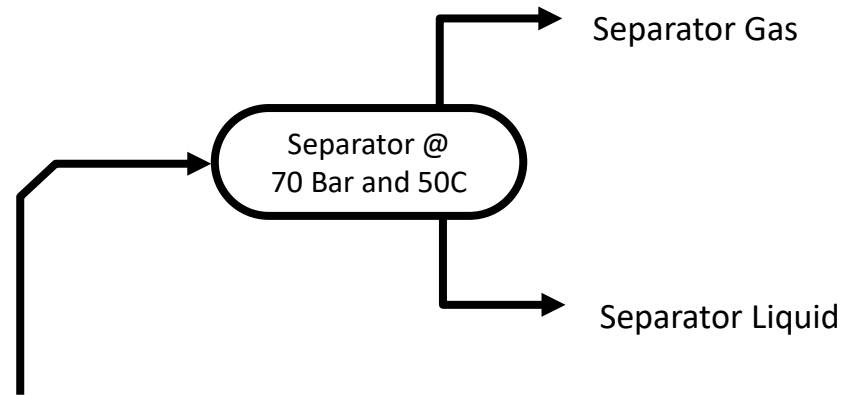


# Moving around the P-T Diagram

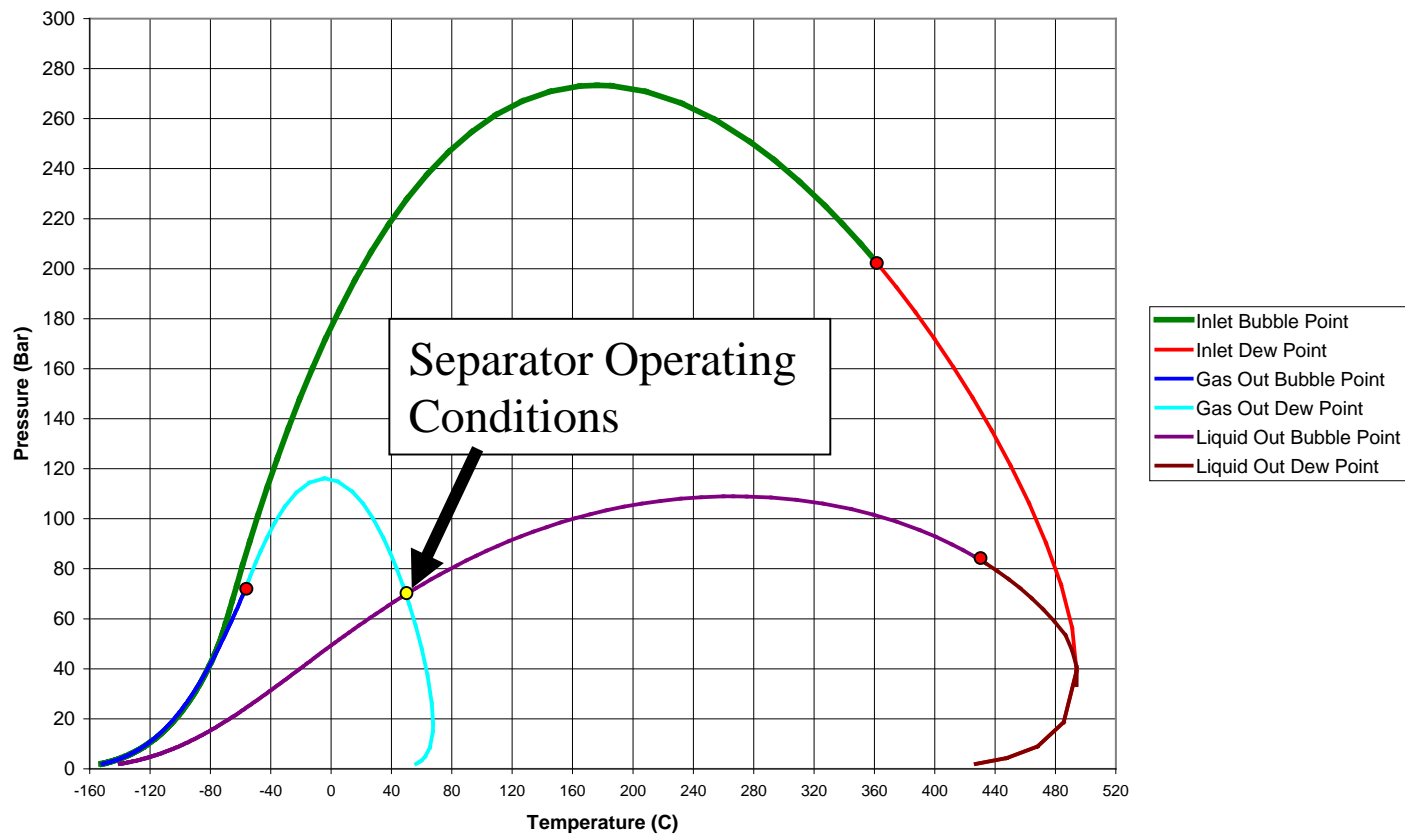


# How do we use and change Phase Envelopes?



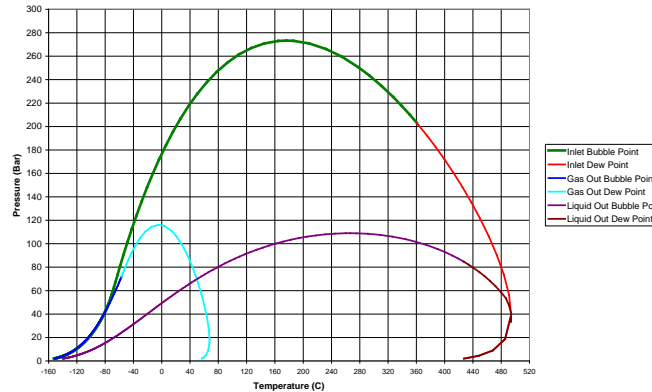
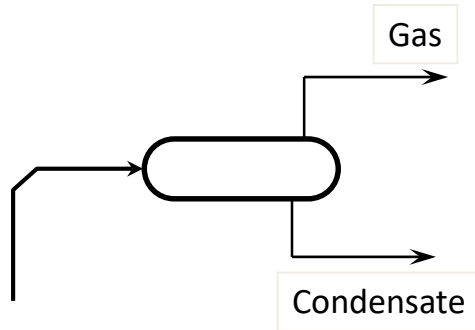


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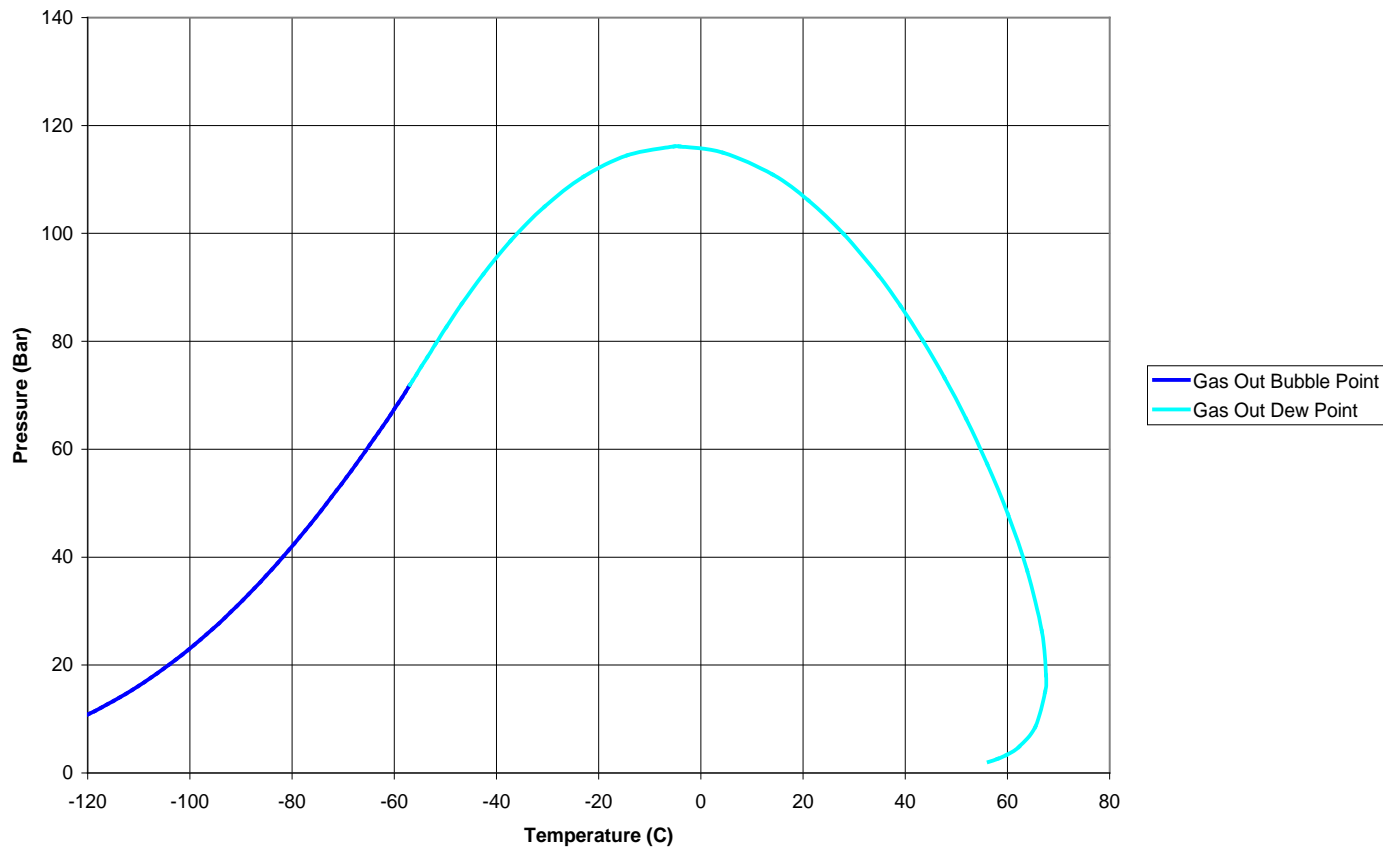


# Building the Gas Processing System

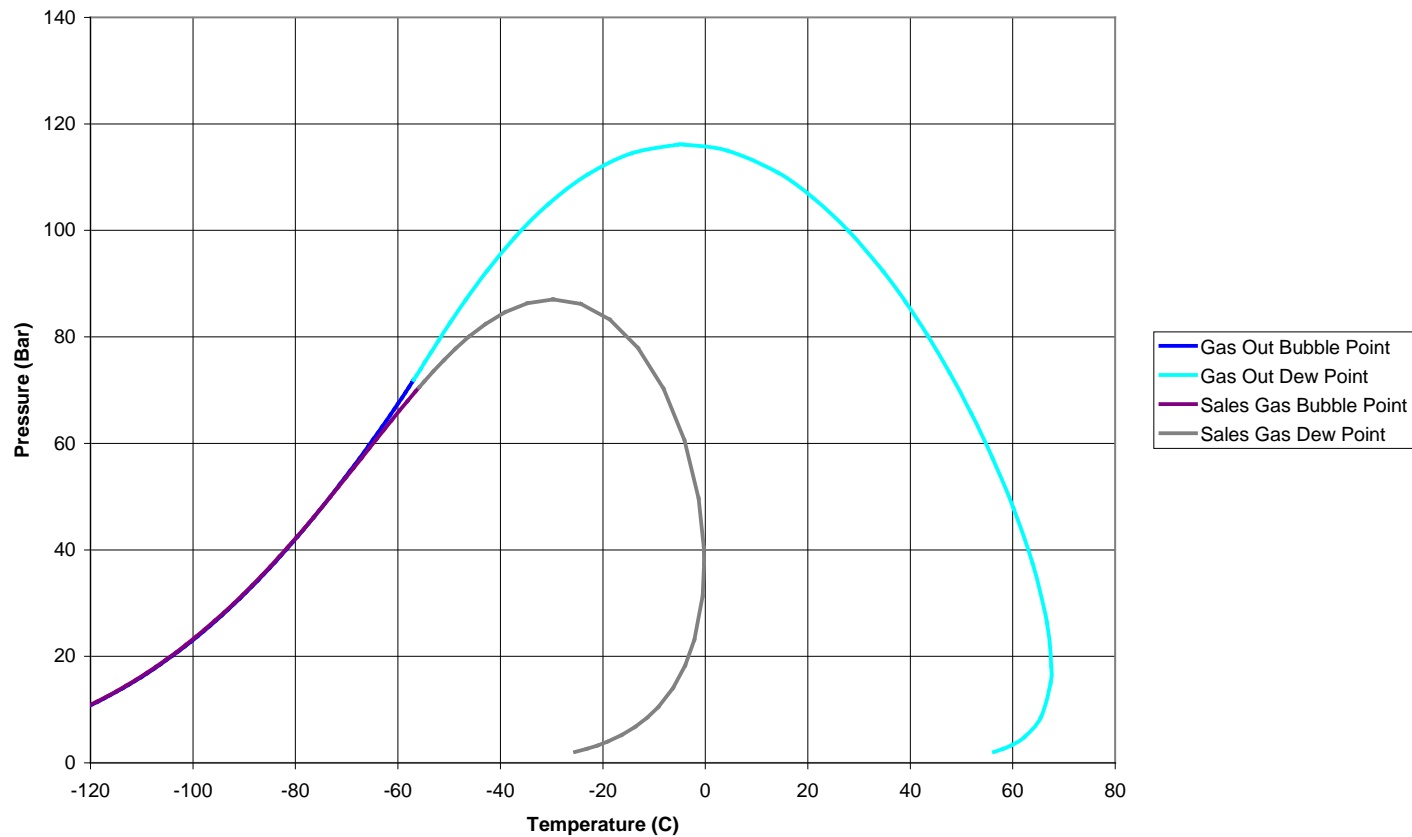
- Gas Spec.
  - Hydrocarbon dewpoint < 0C at all P < 100 bar
  - Delivery pressure 100 bar
  - Gas field with primary separator at 70 bar and 50C



# Separator Gas Phase Envelope

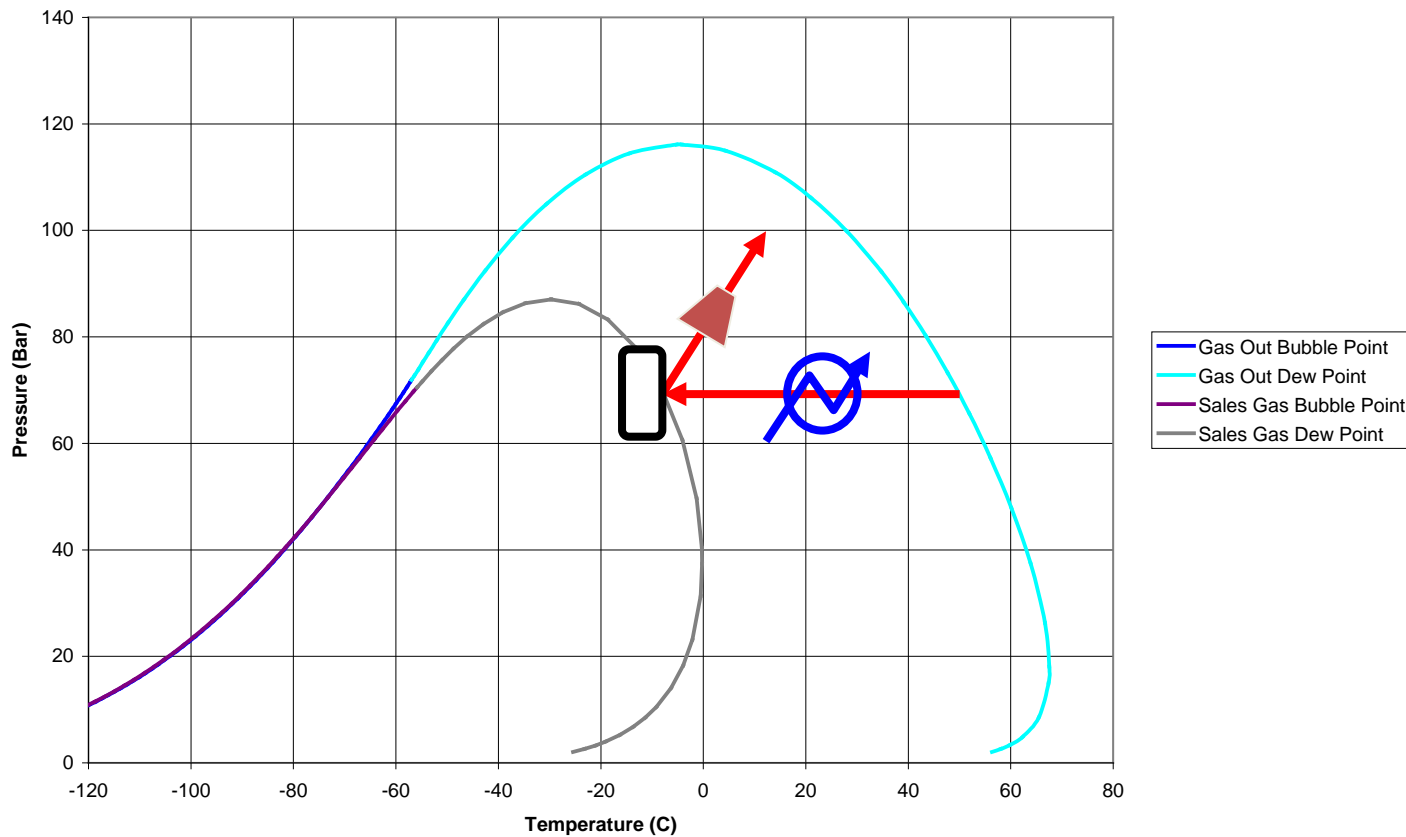


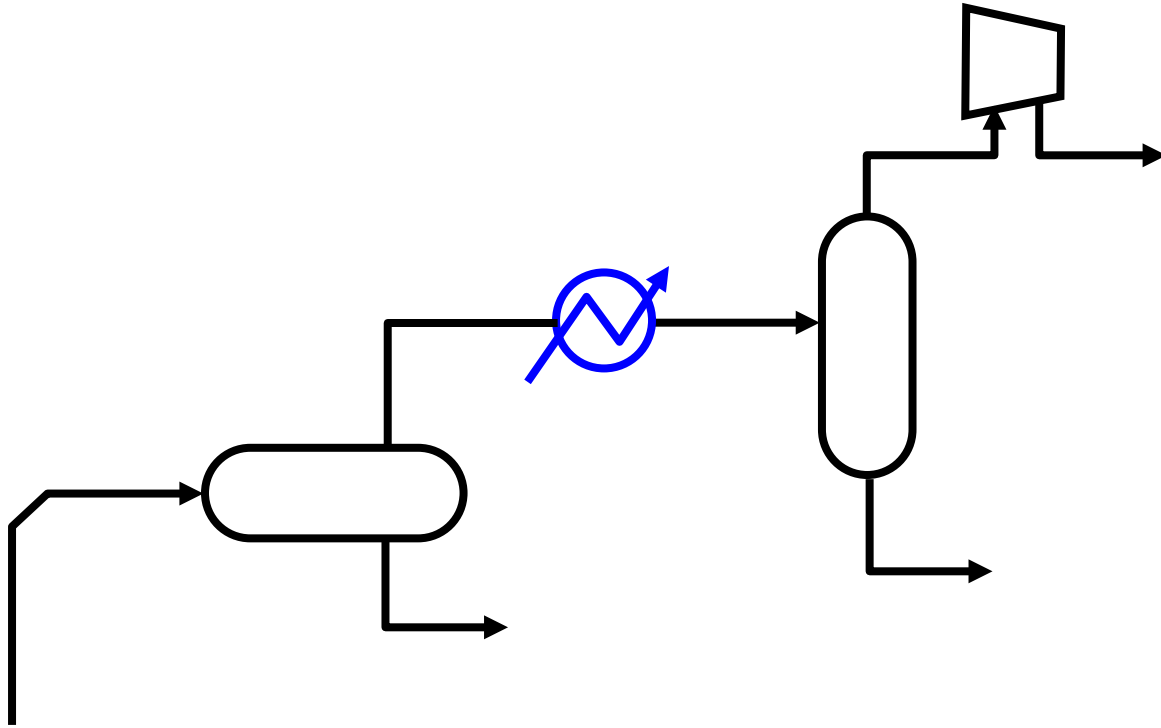
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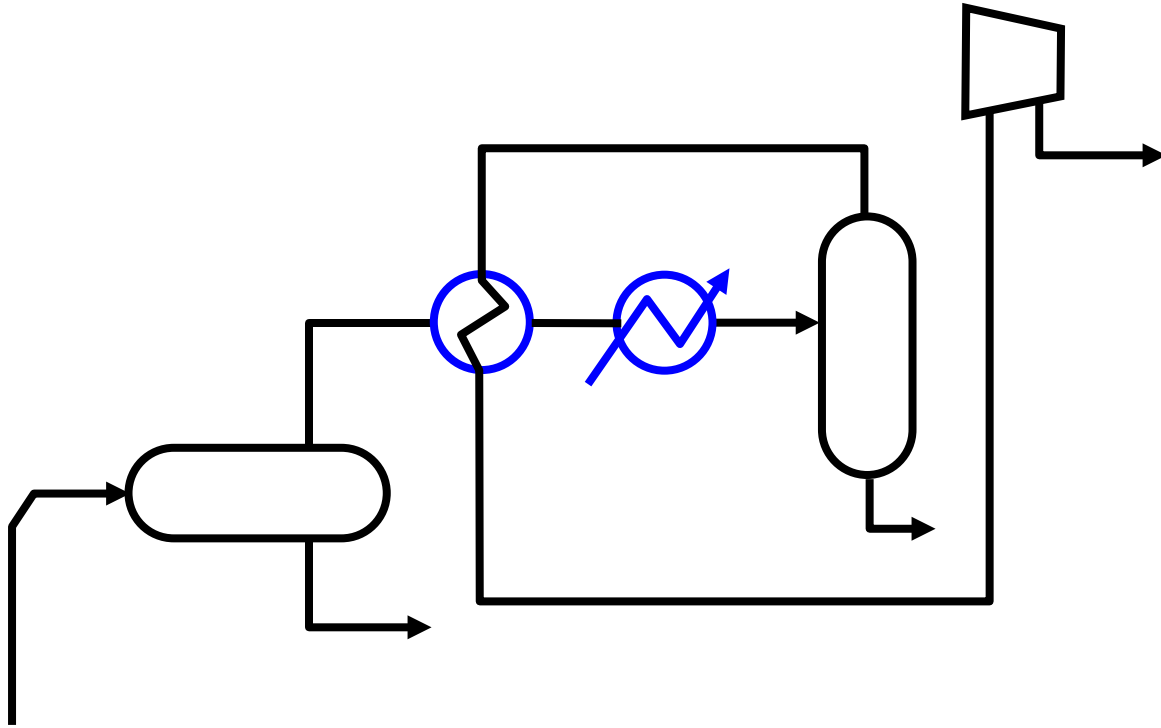




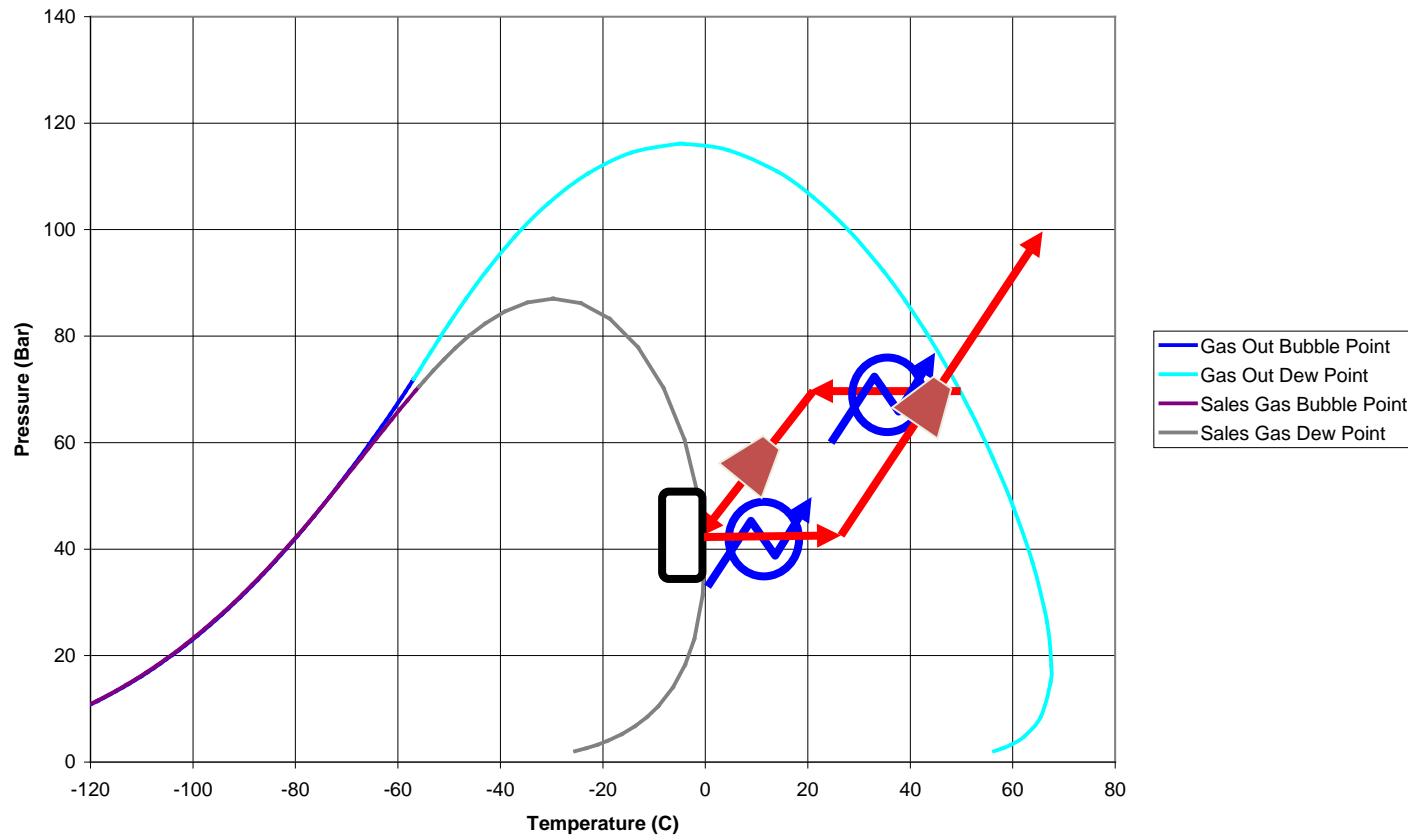
# Meeting specification through cooling

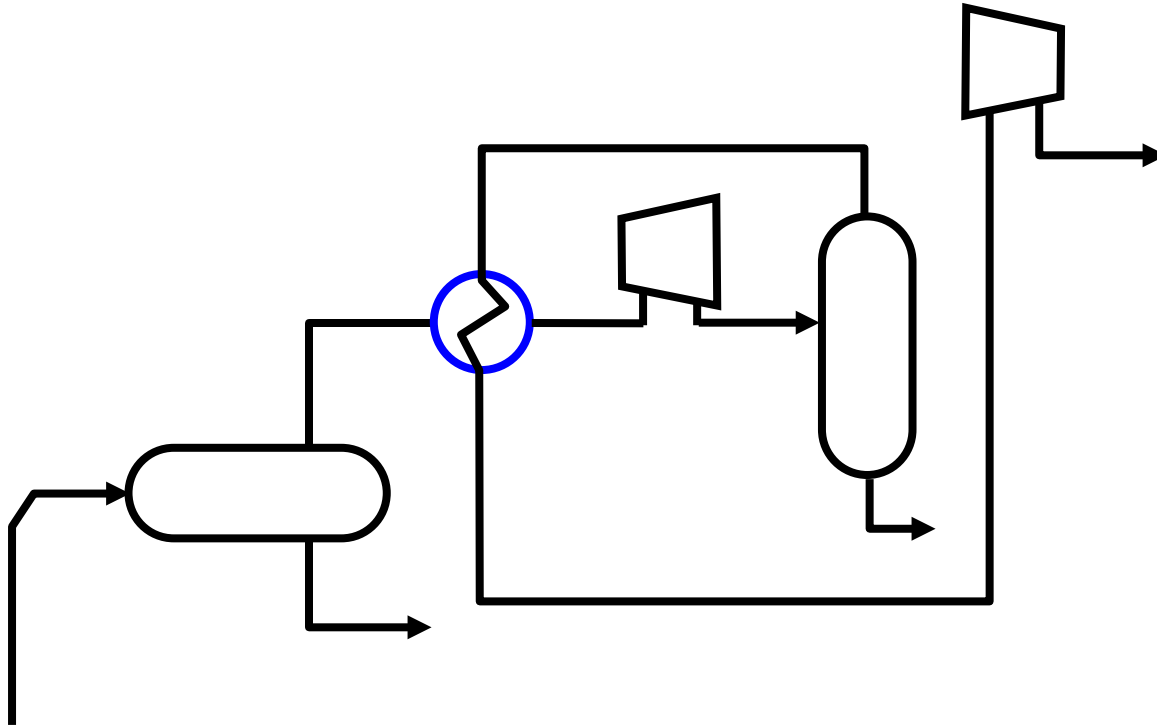






# Alternative – Turbo Expander



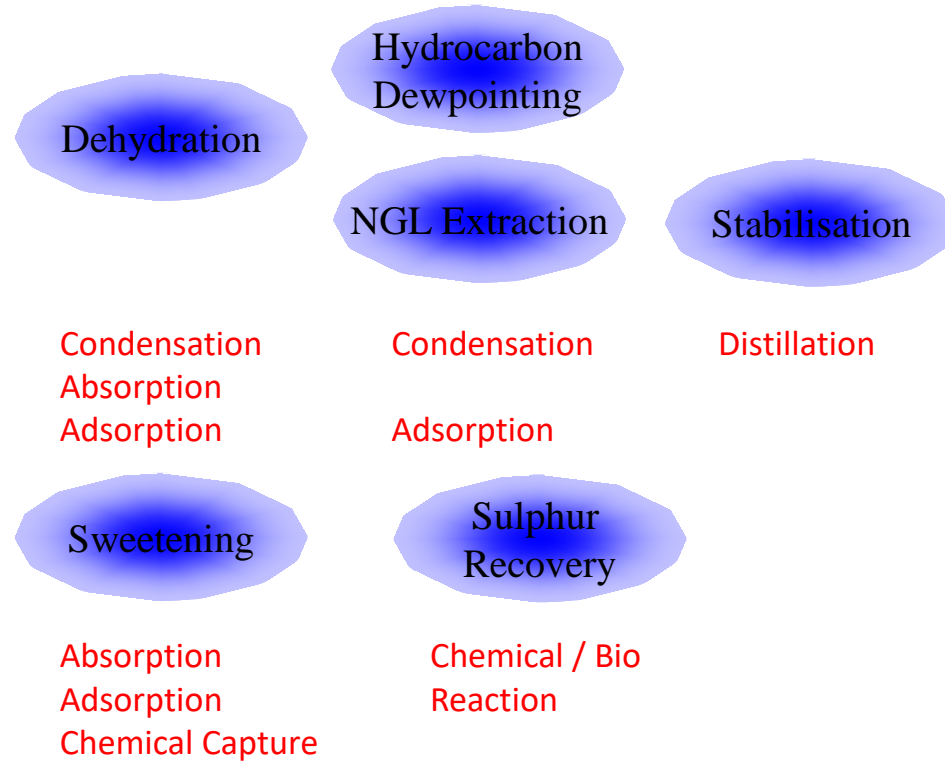


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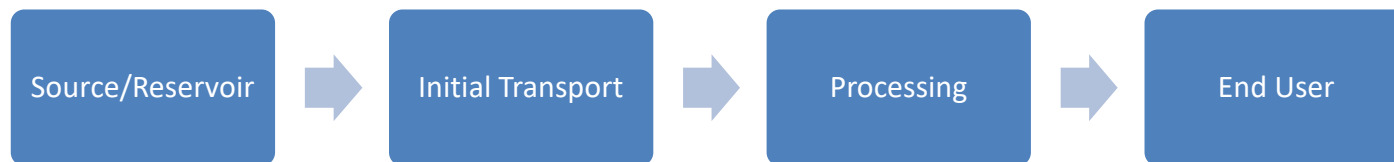
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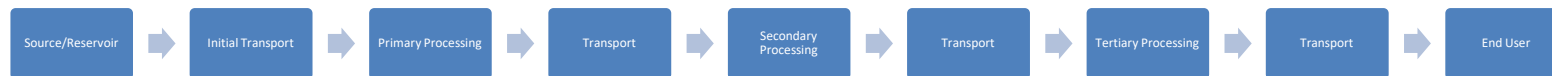
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Simple (Onshore gas plant delivering to local system)



Complex (LNG Delivery system)

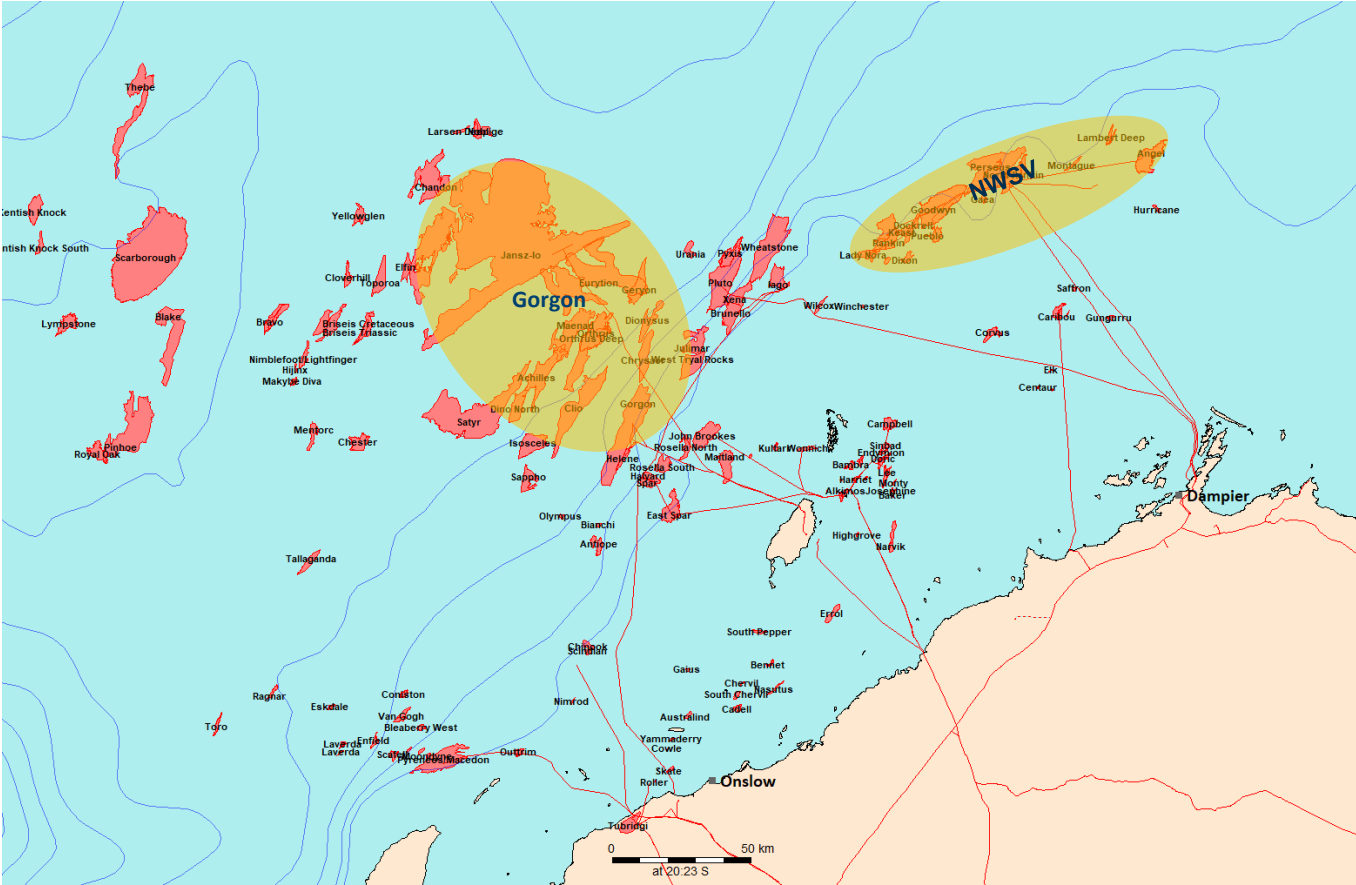




# Which gas is it?

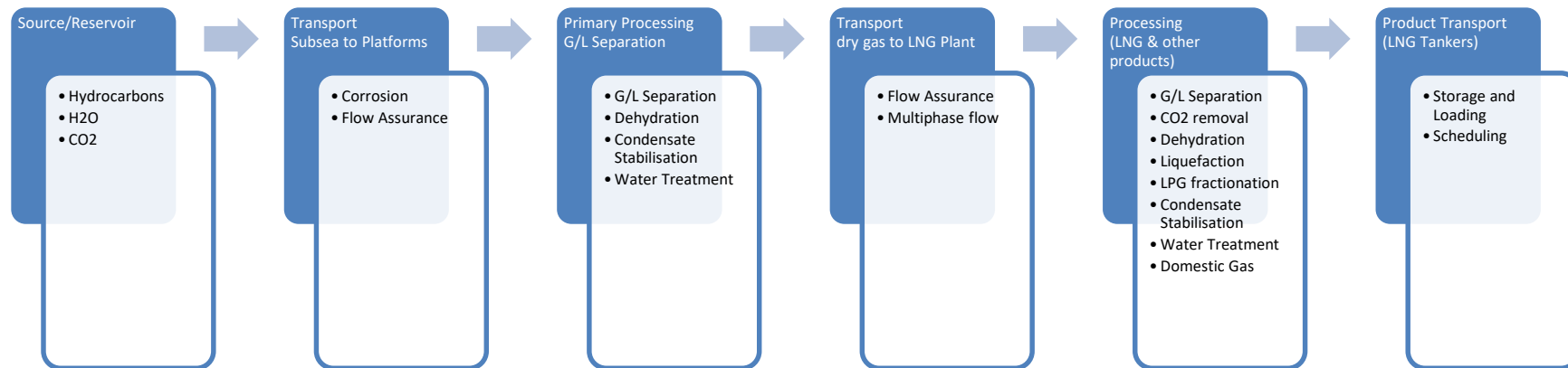
Symbol	Component	Mol % 1	Mol % 2	Mol % 3
CO2	Carbon Dioxide	3.35	0.38	12.00
N2	Nitrogen	0.32	5.34	1.50
C1	Methane	74.45	93.85	77.91
C2	Ethane	10.77	0.41	3.00
C3	Propane	4.19	0.01	2.50
iC4	i-Butane	0.61	0.00	0.50
nC4	n-Butane	1.24	0.00	1.05
C5	neo-Pentane	0.01	0.01	0.02
iC5	i-Pentane	0.42	0.00	0.40
nC5	n-Pentane	0.47	0.00	0.60
C6	Hexanes	0.56	0.00	0.30
C7	Me-Cyclo-pentane	0.13	0.00	0.10
	Benzene	0.04		
	Cyclo-hexane	0.27		
	Heptanes	0.37		
C8	Me-Cyclo-hexane	0.37	0.00	0.05
	Toluene	0.16		
	Octanes	0.40		
C9	Ethyl-benzene	0.02	0.00	0.02
	Meta/Para-xylene	0.14		
	Ortho-xylene	0.03		
	Nonanes	0.29		
C10	Tri-Me-benzene	0.04	0.00	0.00
	Decanes	0.26		
C11+	Undecanes +	1.10	0.00	0.05
H <sub>2</sub> O	Water mg/Sm <sup>3</sup>	50	1000	500

# NWSV and Gorgon

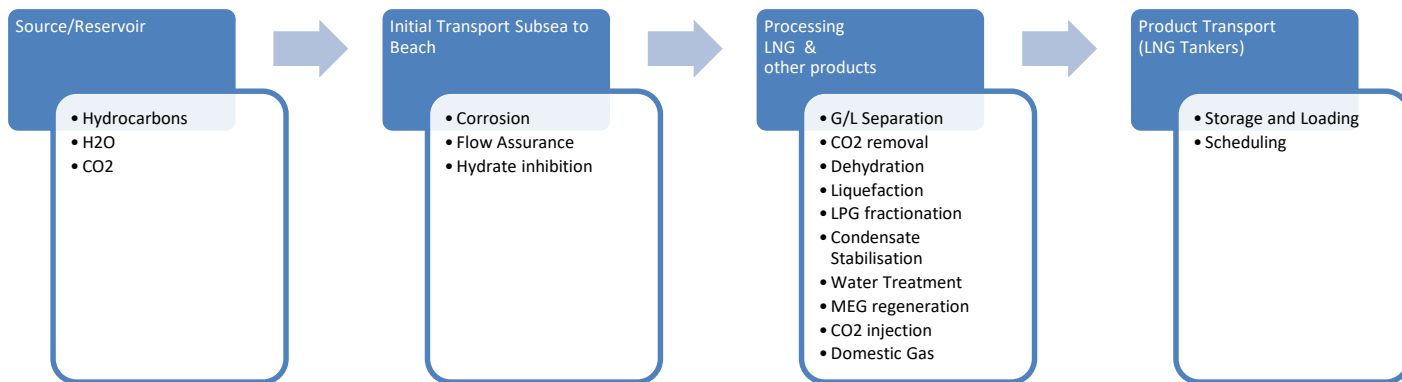


# Comparison of NWSV and Gorgon Field Developments

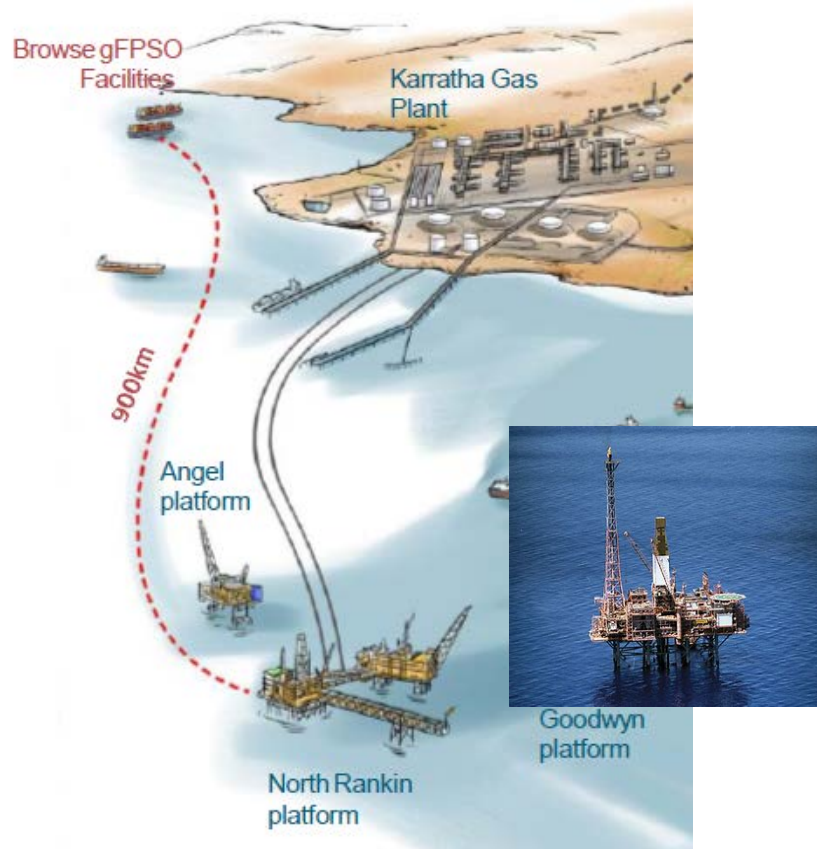
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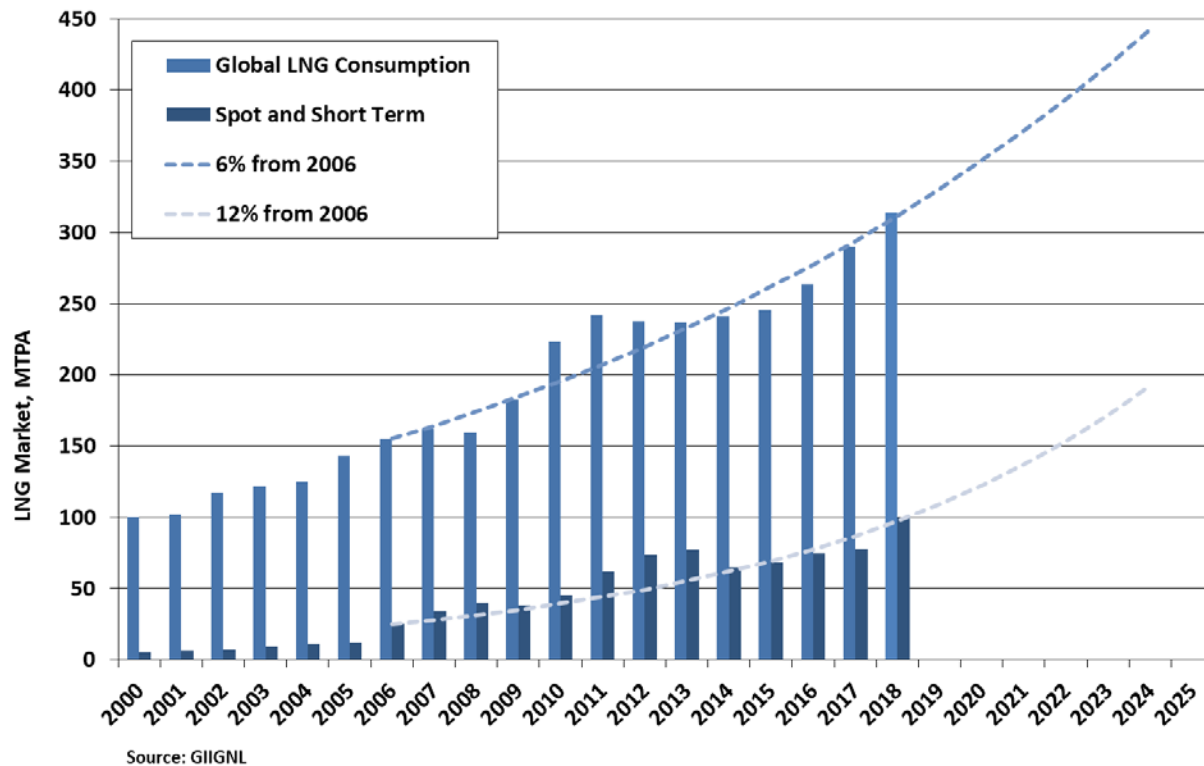
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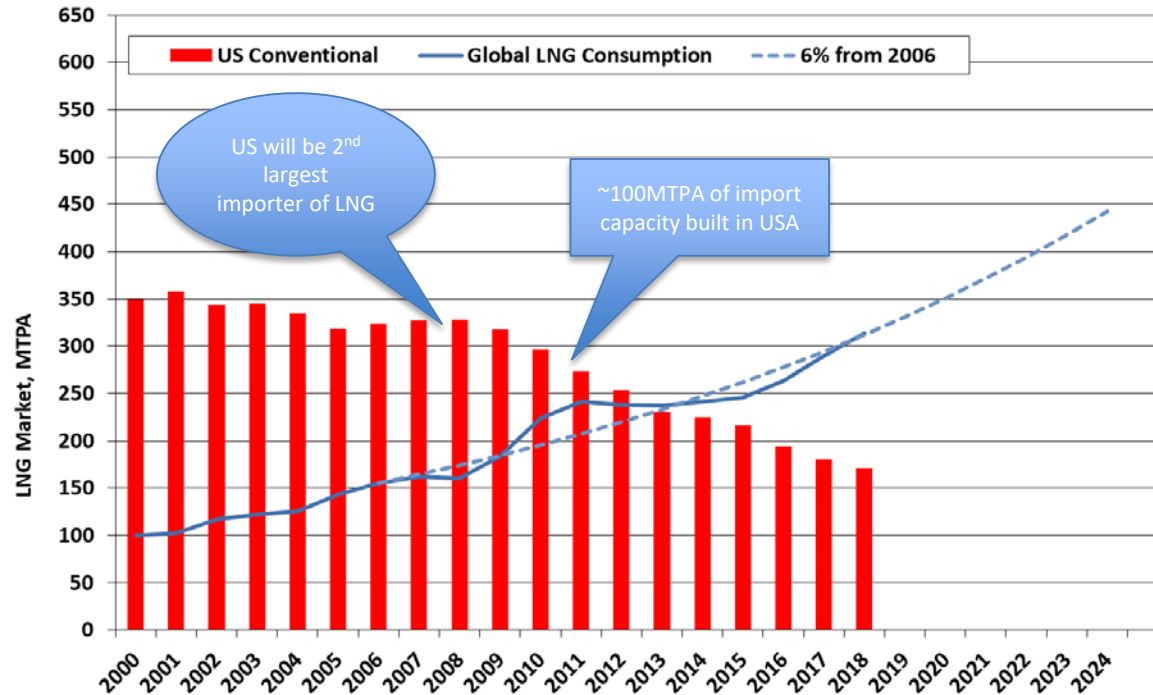


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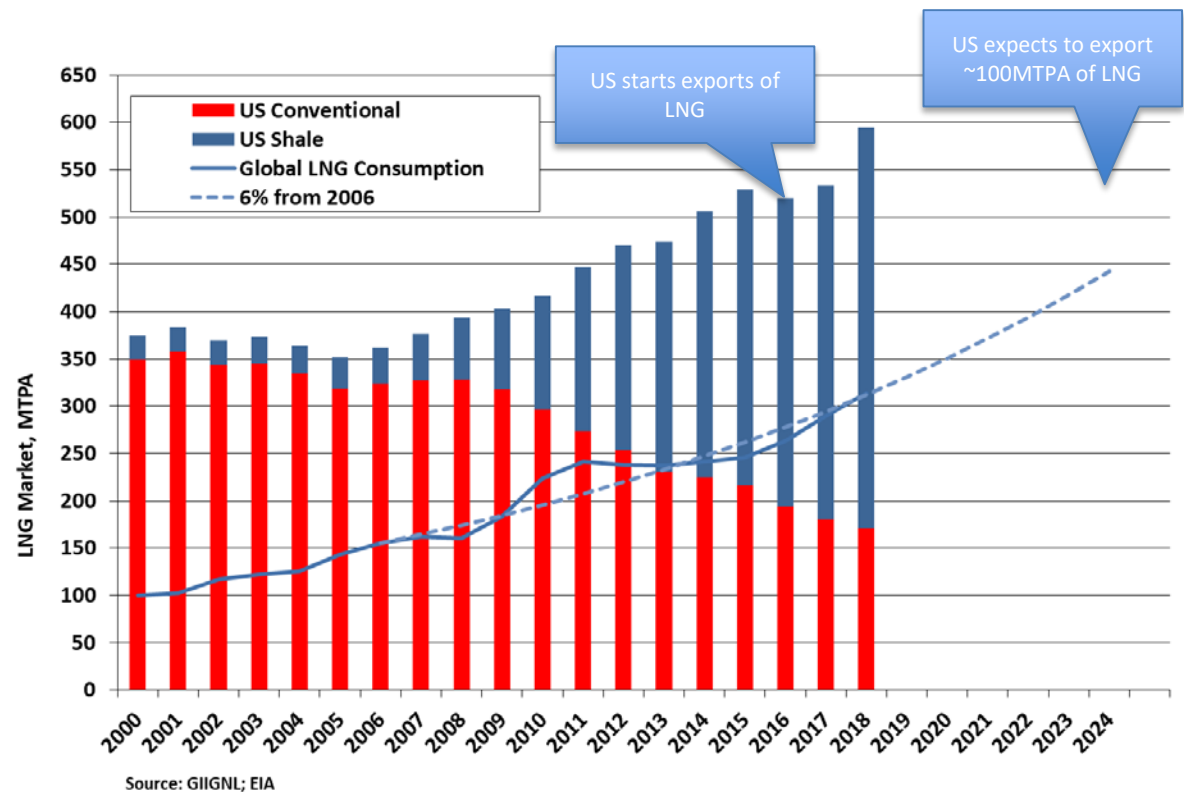


# The Global LNG Market is growing and changing





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# Renewables are not the panacea for power generation

