

# HYDROGEN BOX

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## Hydrogen as storage alternative

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# WHY HYDROGEN?

- Stable source of energy
- Highest energy density
- Byproduct: water
- Renewable
- Complicated transport



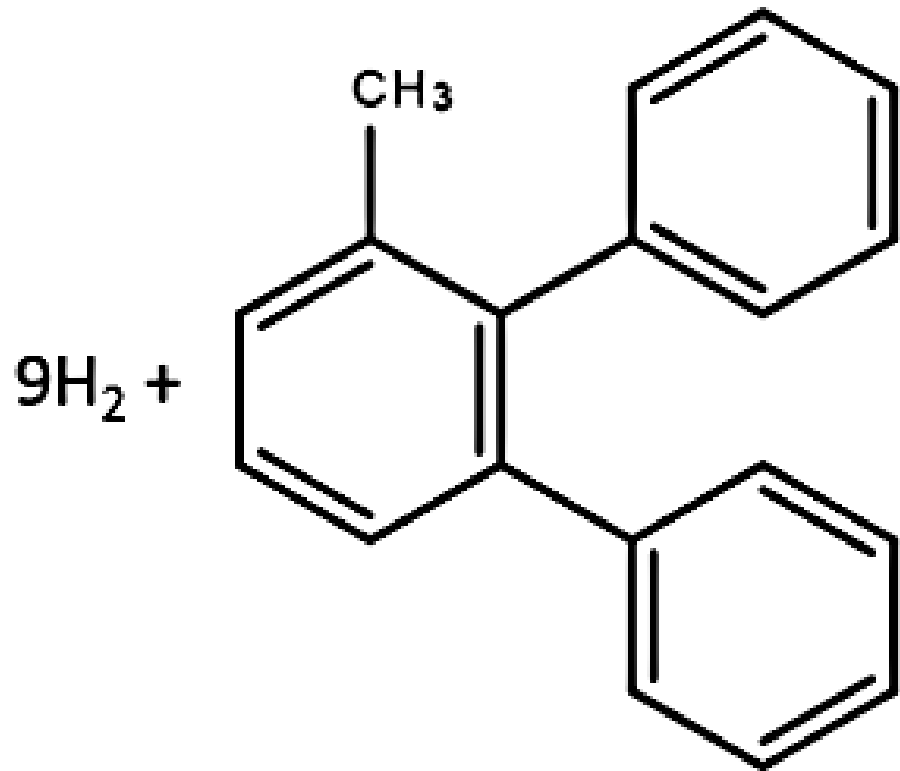
# HOW TO STORE AND TRANSPORT H<sub>2</sub>?

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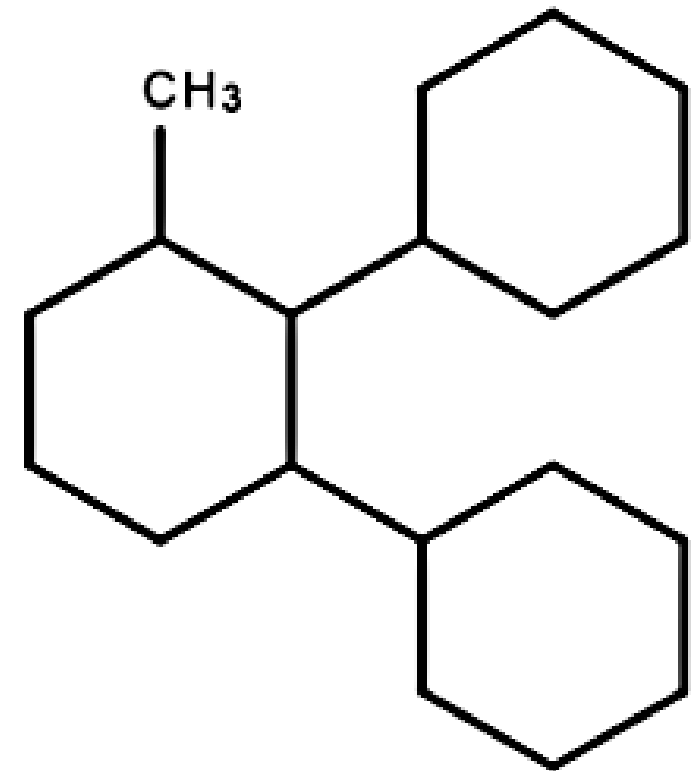
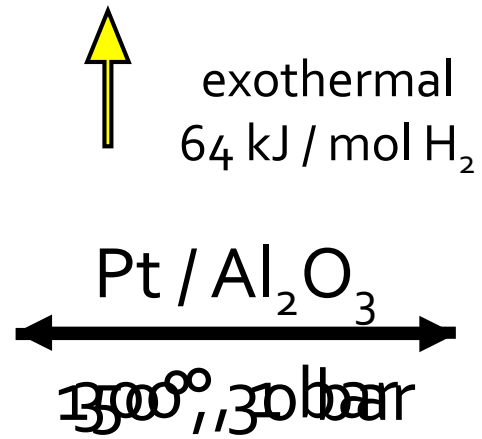
# SOLUTION

- Liquid Organic Hydrogen Carriers (LOHC)
- hydrogen-rich organic compounds
- liquid energy carriers
- Dibenzyltoluene (DBT)
  - liquid from  $-39^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $250^{\circ}\text{C}$

# DIBENZYL TOLUENE (DBT)

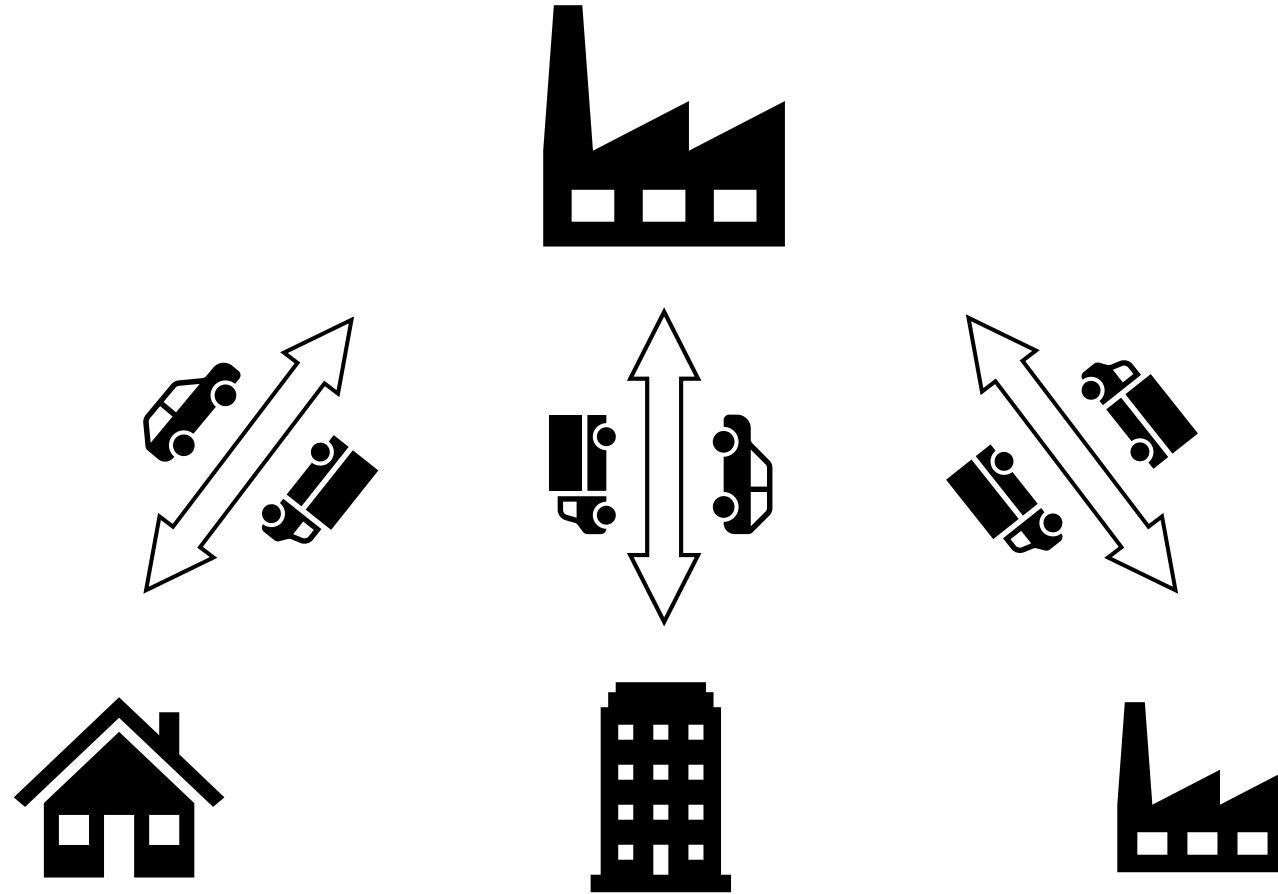


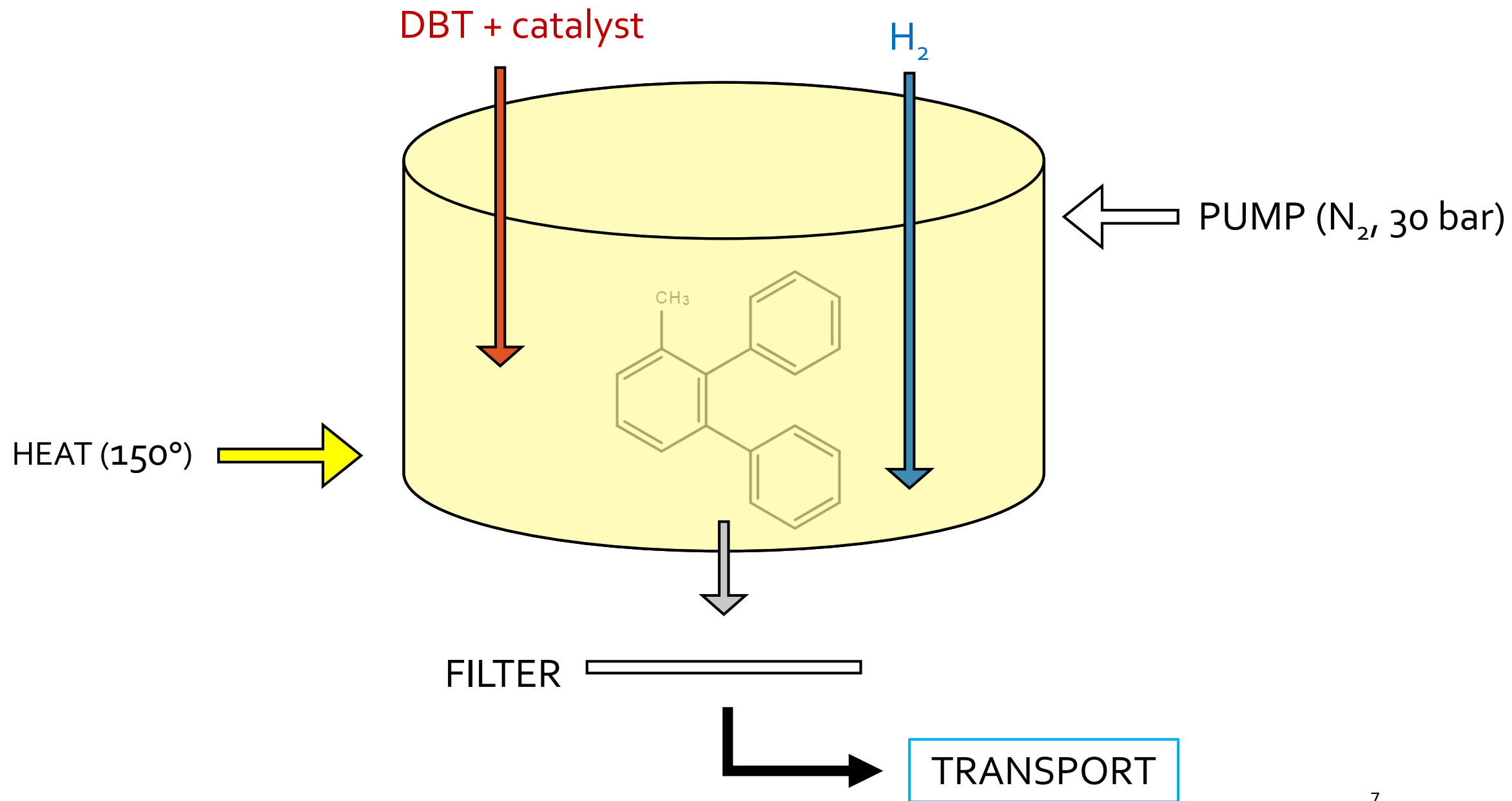
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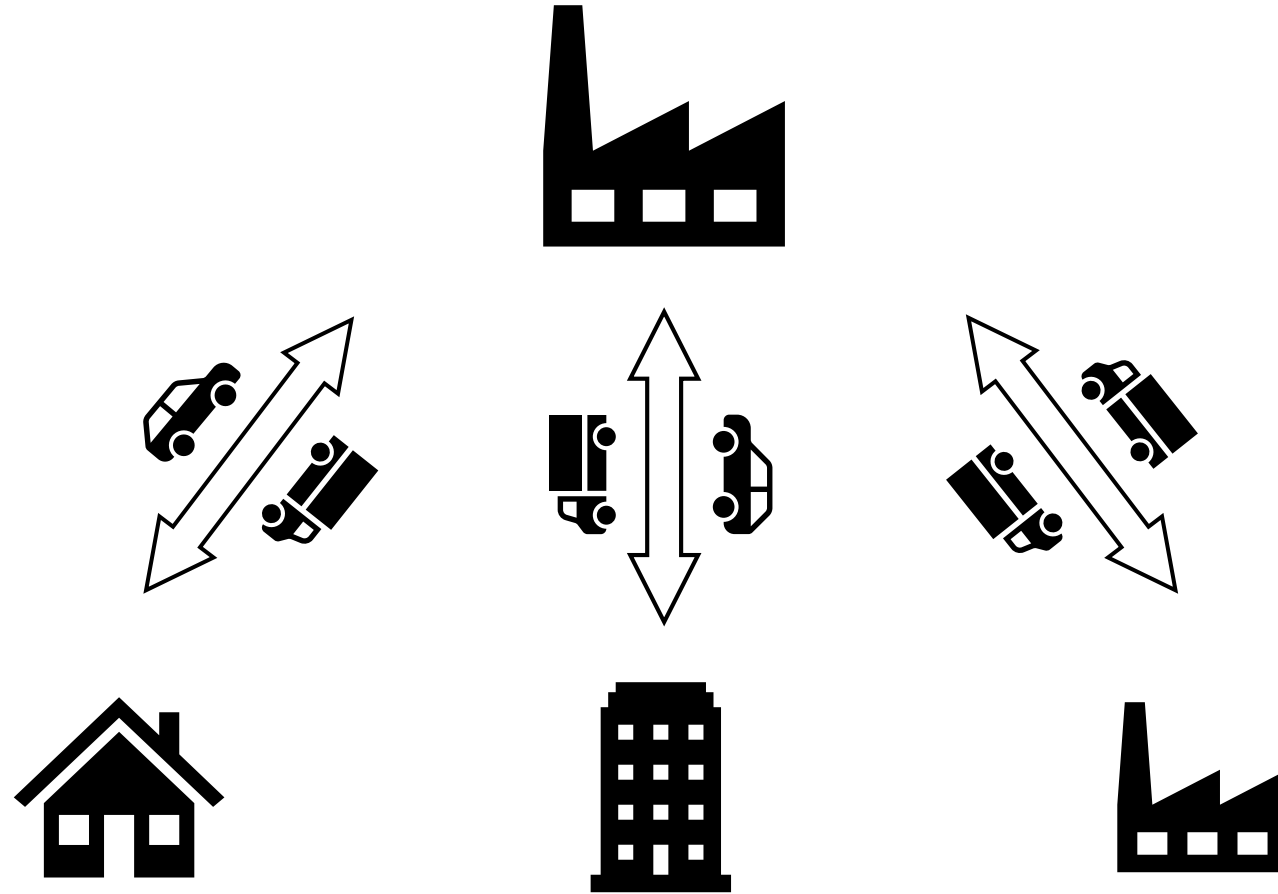
perhydro-DBT

# APPLICATION





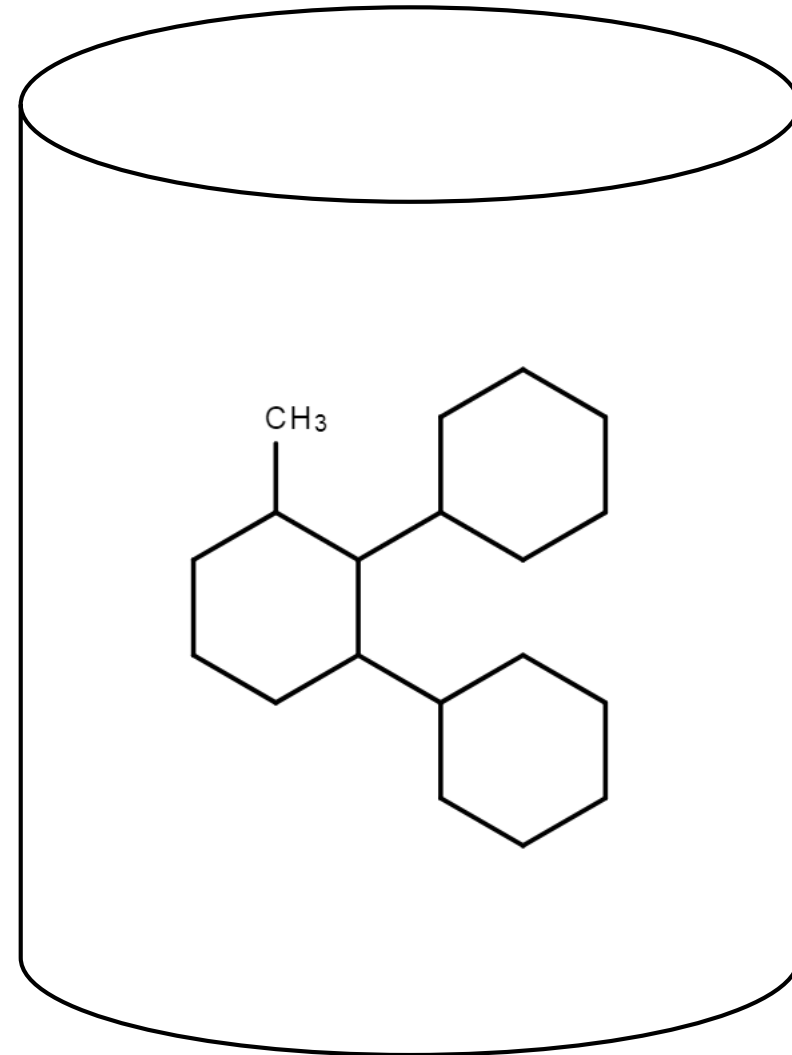
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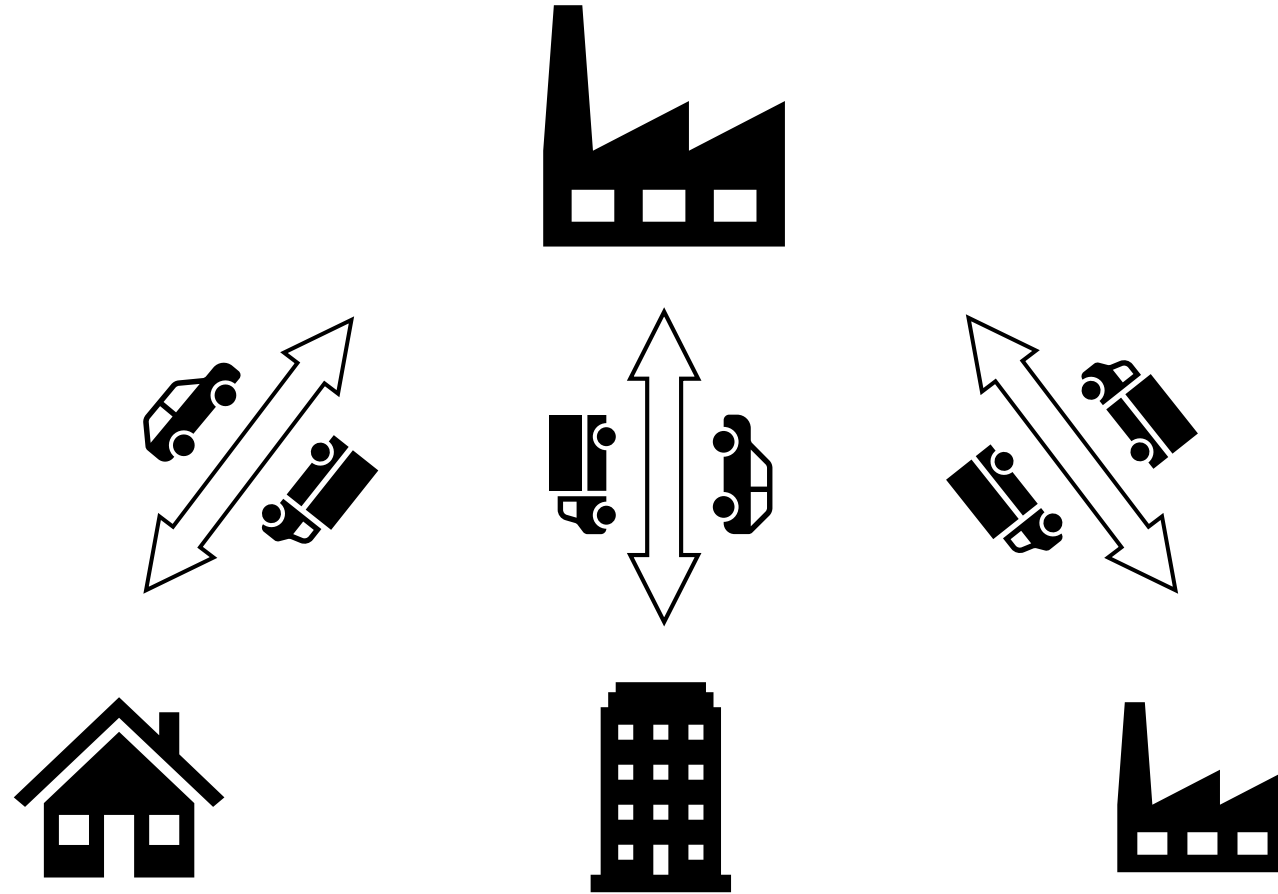


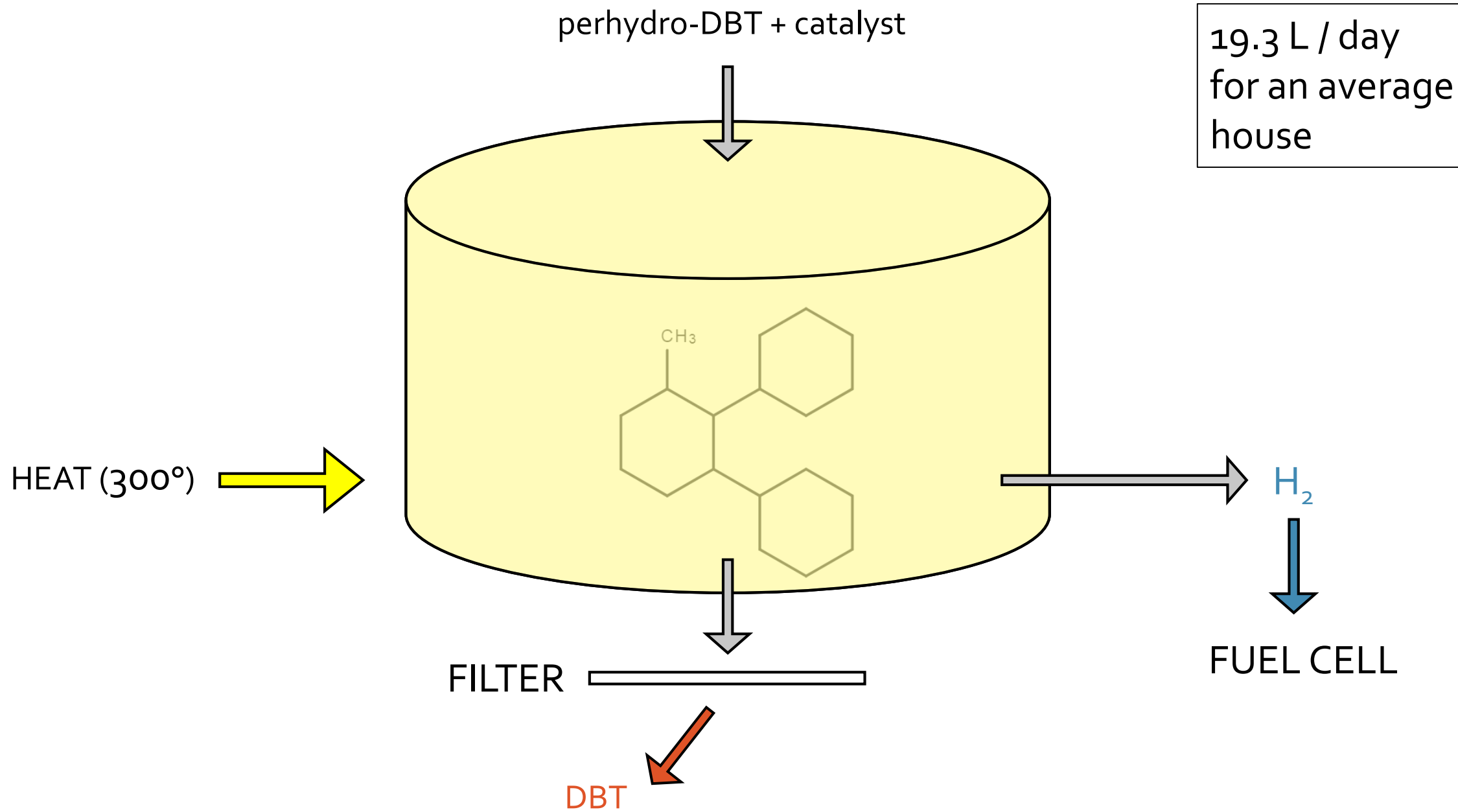
# TRANSPORT

- Cylinder tank
- $V = 8 \text{ m}^3$
- Stainless steel



# APPLICATION





19.3 L / day  
for an average  
house

# COMPARISON

## Perhydro - dibenzyltoluene

- Safe
- 100% hydrogen efficiency
- Energy loss  $\approx$  min. 26.4%

## Liquid Hydrogen

- Not safe
- 91% hydrogen efficiency
- Energy loss in liquification  
min. 30%

# COST

- DBT  $\approx$  \$1-4 / kg
- Big tanks  $\approx$  \$15 000
- Small tanks  $\approx$  \$5 000
- Catalyst  $\approx$  \$368 / 0.1 kg
- Filter  $\approx$  \$125-500

$\Sigma \approx$  \$30 000 + transport

## PROS

- efficiency
- safety
- duration of storage
- wide range of applications

## CONS

- size
- energy loss
- cost

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Efficiency:

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{E_{in}}{E_{out}}$$

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{31.7 \frac{MJ}{kg} H_2}{120 \frac{MJ}{kg} H_2}$$

$$\eta = 73.6\%$$

Average American house  
per day: 106 MJ

$$V = 8 \text{ m}^3$$

$$m = \rho \cdot V = 5874 \text{ kg}$$

$$w (\text{H}_2) = 0.062$$

$$m (\text{H}_2) = m \cdot w (\text{H}_2) = 366 \text{ kg}$$

$$E = E(\text{H}_2/\text{kg}) \cdot m (\text{H}_2) = 4.4 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ J}$$

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catalyst:

$$w = 1,6 \cdot 10^{-2} \%$$

$$m = 0.96 \text{ kg per a tank}$$