# Operation Experience, Operation Procedures In Supercritical And Ultra Supercritical Boilers

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# **E.ON** Anlagenservice

# **Company Profile**

The service scope of E.ON Anlagenservice comprises planning and maintenance expertise for complex power generation and industrial plants



The EAS core business is securing existing power plants Furthermore, EAS is involved in the construction business for new power plants

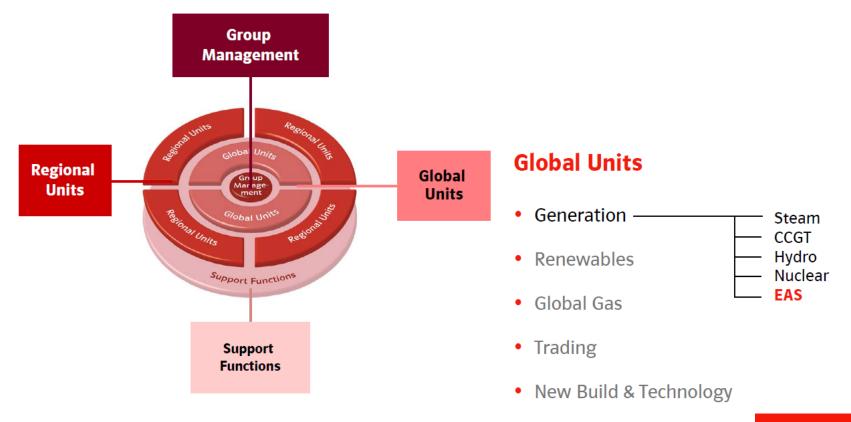
EAS is one of the largest Non-OEM service providers in Western Europe



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# E.ON Anlagenservice is a part of Global Unit - Generation

E.ON group structure



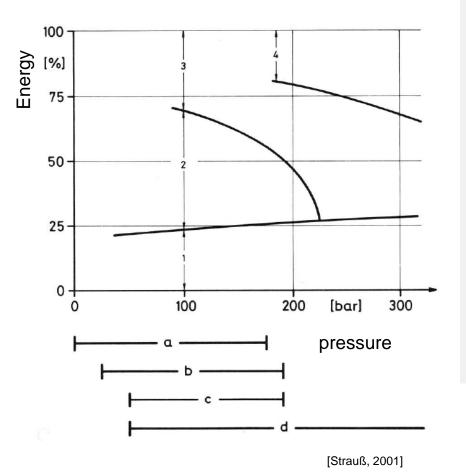


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## 1 Steam Generator Systems

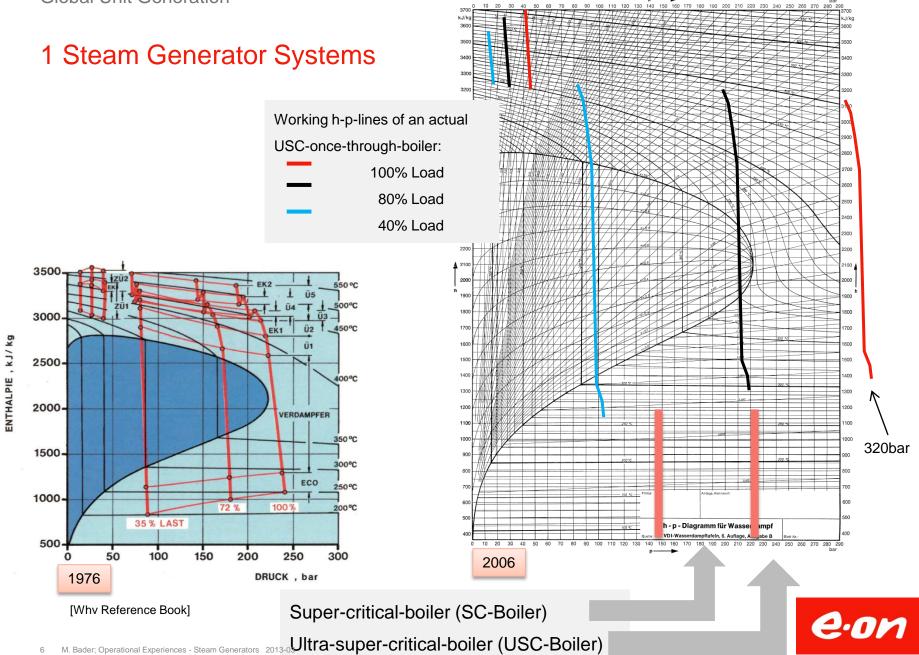


Heat requirement for: 1 Preheat 2 Evaporation 3 Overheat 4 Reheat Systems: a Natural circulation boiler b Assisted-circulation boiler

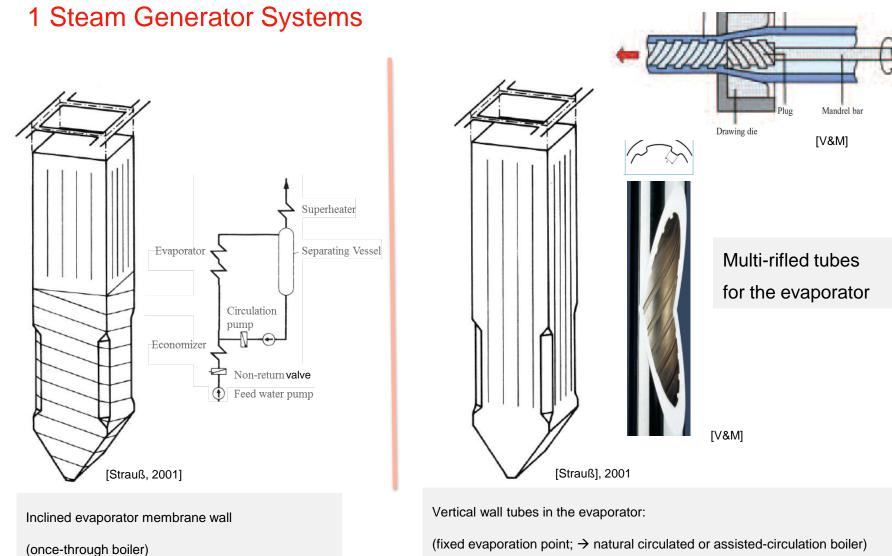
c Assisted-circulation with add. recirculation d once-through boiler

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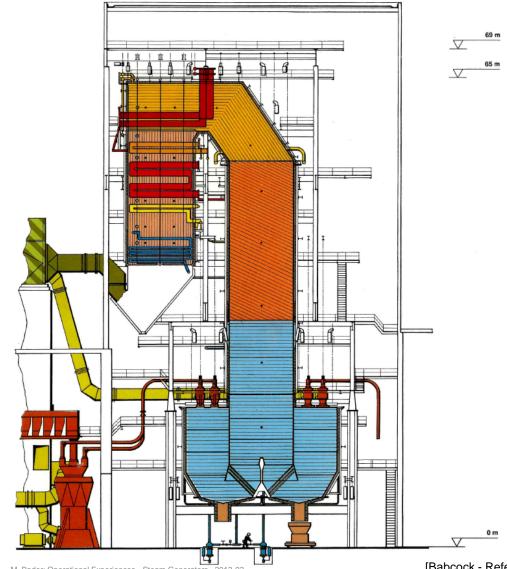
#### **Global Unit Generation**



Manufacture of the multi-rifled tube



### 1 Examples for Benson<sup>®</sup> Steam Generators – Two Pass Boiler



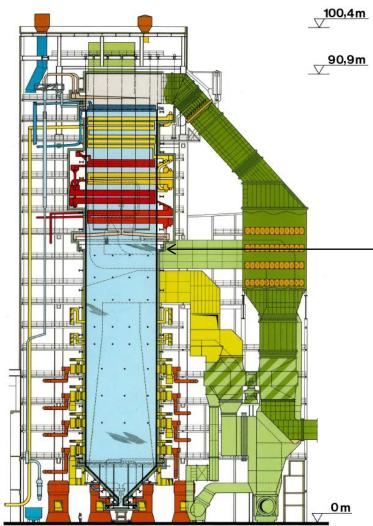
Old Design:

The high was limited by the construction (installation) capabilities



[Babcock - Reference Sheets]

## 1 Examples for Benson<sup>®</sup> Steam Generators – Single Pass Boiler



Design from the end of 70s:

Single pass boiler

Better functionality

- Special feature: Additional ring header – to reduce the thermal and pressure differences between the single tubes of the membrane wall

[Babcock - Reference Sheets]

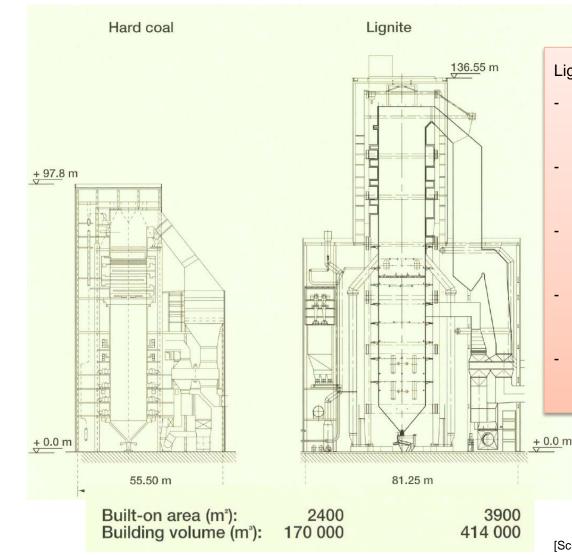


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# 1 Discussion Points For The Comparison Of Single Pass And Two Pass Steam Generator:

- Overall height
- Constructive expenses (boiler structural steelwork, suspension)
- Suspension of expansion by the own weight, the fluid weight, the heat
- Working with the 3D-differential expansion in the edge and at the boundaries of the heating surface sections of the evaporator and the super heater
- Arrangement of the catalyst and the regenerative air heater
- Arrangement of the economizer
- Furnace outlet temperature
- Arrangement of the final super heater
- Prevention of an over heating of convection heating surface during the igniting phase before start of the evaporation
- Flue gas flow: avoiding of deposition of ash
- Accessibility of the combustion chamber (inspection platform)
- Accessibility of the convection heating surface tubes
- Height of the fall of slag

## 1 Comparison Of Lignite And Hard Coal Fired Steam Generator



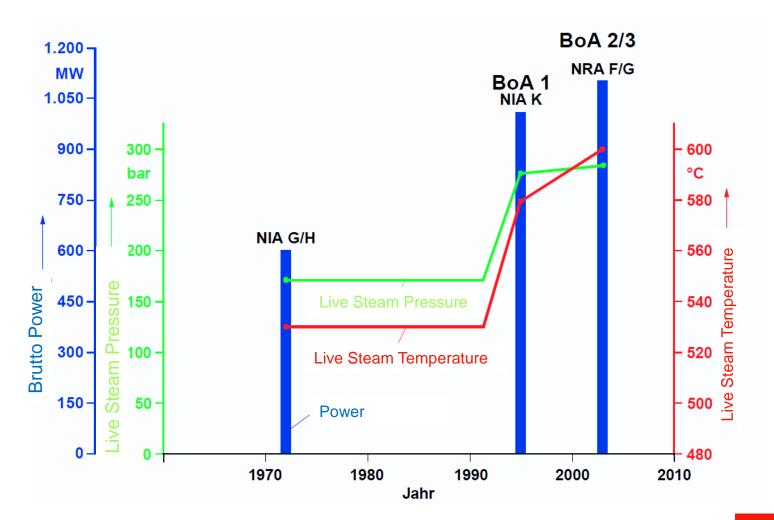
Lignite:

- Lower ash softening temp.
  - $\rightarrow$  bigger combustion chamber for lignite
- Lower inlet temp. into convective heating surface
  - → bigger heating surface dim. (reheater)
- Higher SiO2 content in ash
  - $\rightarrow$  increased wear (flue gas duct should be bigger)
- Lower fuel gas speed
  - → bigger heating surface dimension (Eco)
- Greater flue gas volume flow (+45%)
  - $\rightarrow$  bigger volume of convective part



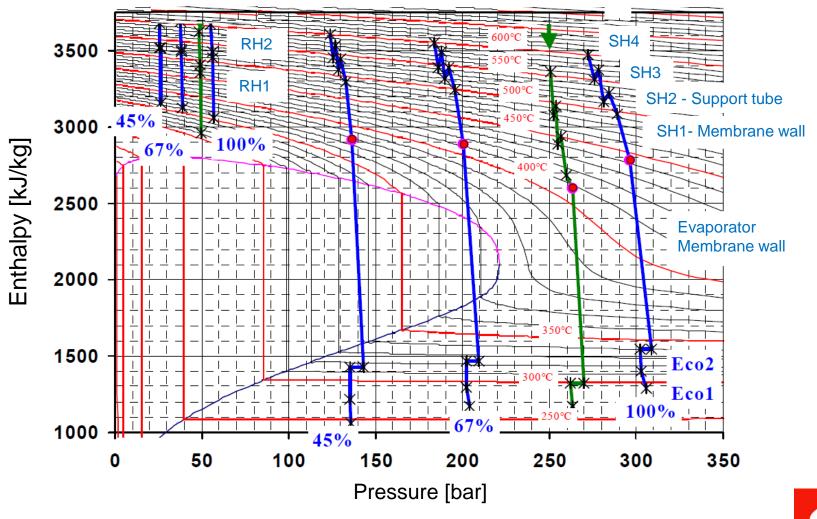
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#### 1 Development Of Lignite Coal Fired Steam Generator



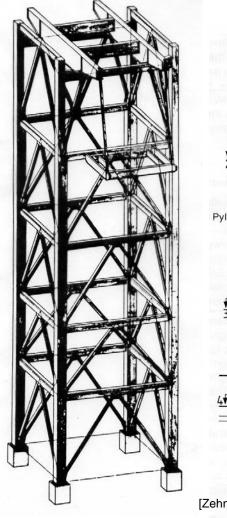
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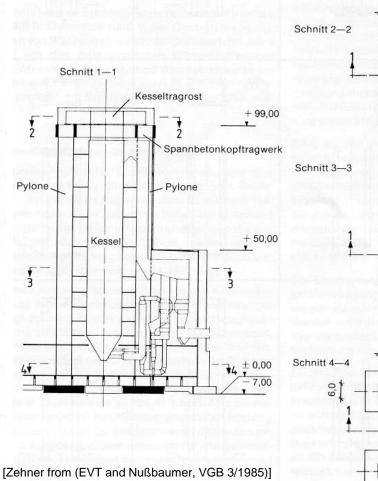
### 1 Actual Status - Lignite Coal Fired Steam Generator (p-h-Diagram)



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## 1 Boiler House And Boiler Structural Steel Work





#### Steel:

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- Most common
- additional masonry lift gear and stair tower necessary (emergency exit)

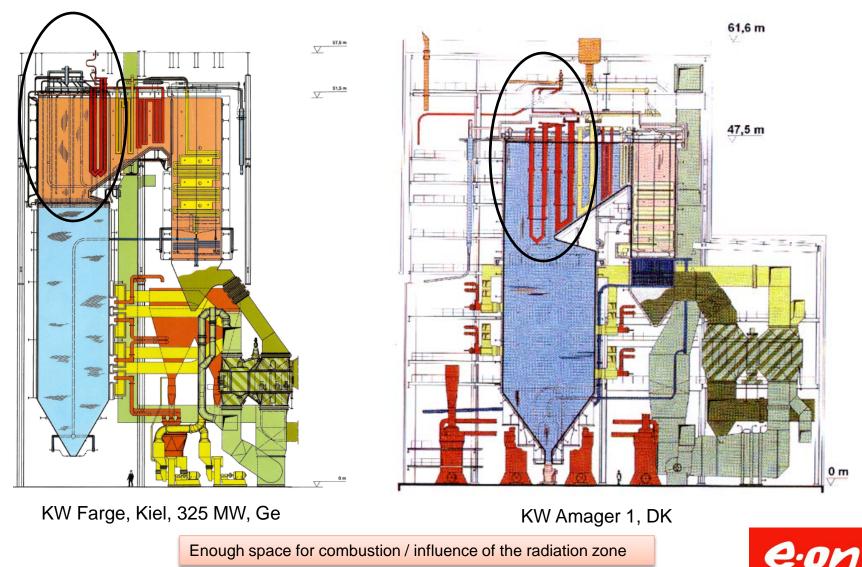
#### Concrete:

 Pylons are usable as lift gear and stair tower

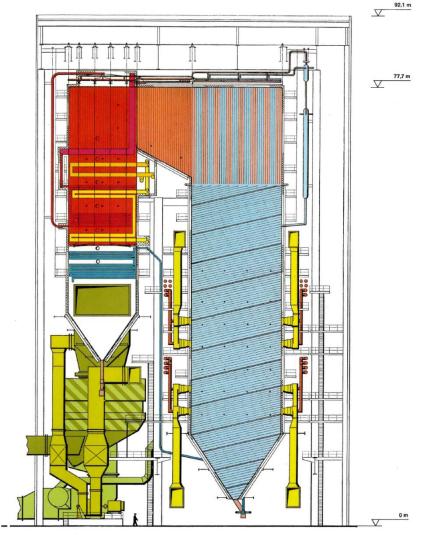
Decision: cost related



1 Superheater (Schotten) – Arrangement



## 1 Examples for Benson<sup>®</sup> Steam Generators – Two Pass Boiler



[Babcock - Reference Sheets]

Wilhelmshaven (720 MW) **Super Critical Power Plant** 

#### **High Pressure Part**

Steam rating	2170	t/h
Allowed working pressure	210	bar
SH-outlet temperature	530	°C

#### Reheater

Allowed working pressure 55 bar RH-outlet temperature 530 °C

Fuel Bituminous coal, oil

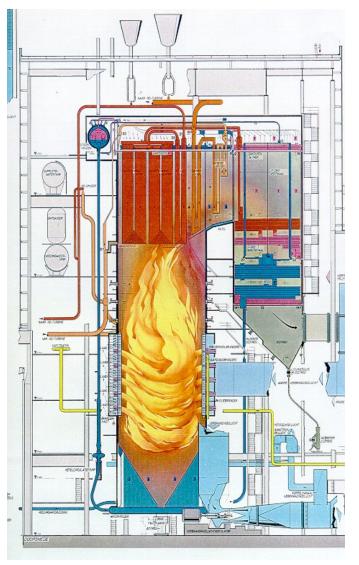
Manufacturer Babcock

**Commissioning Year** 

1976



#### 1 Examples For An Assisted-Circulation Boiler – (Two Pass boiler)



MPP1/MPP2 ( 540MW) Power Plant

#### **High Pressure Part**

Steam rating	470	kg/s
Working pressure	180	bar
SH-outlet temperature	540	°C

#### Reheater

Allowed working pressure 46 bar RH-outlet temperature 540 °C

#### Fuel

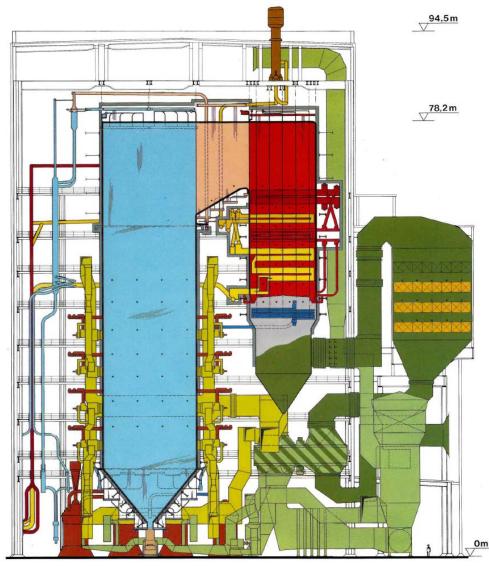
Bituminous coal, oil

#### Commissioning Year 1987 / 1988 ( COD )

[MPP1 /2]



## 1 Examples for Benson<sup>®</sup> Steam Generators – Two Pass Boiler



Heyden Unit 4 (900 MW) Super Critical Power Plant

#### **High Pressure Part**

Steam rating	2405	t/h
Allowed working pressure	215	bar
SH-outlet temperature	535	°C

#### Reheater

Allowed working pressure	53	bar
RH-outlet temperature	535	°C

**Fuel** Bituminous coal

Manufacturer

**Commissioning Year** 

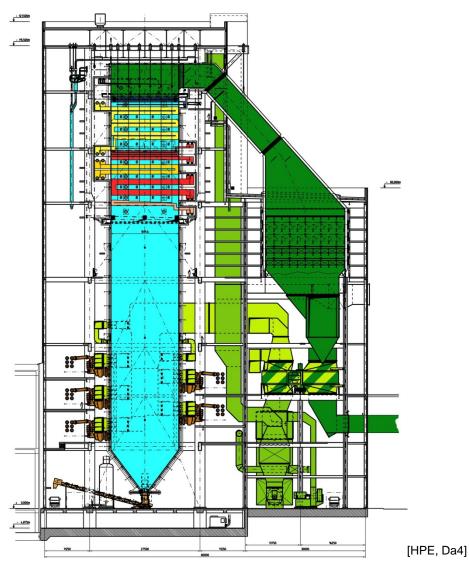
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1987



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## 1 Examples for Benson<sup>®</sup> Steam Generators – Single Pass Boiler

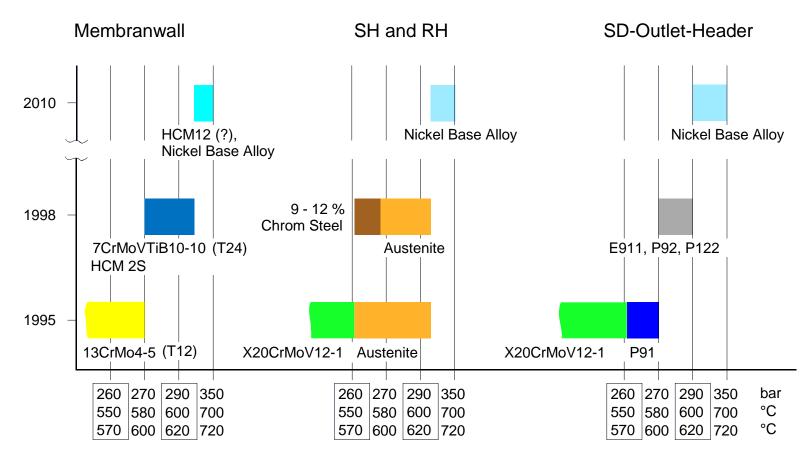


Actual Design 600/620°C For Hard Coal:

- 1100 MWel
- Steam 2939 t/h
- Once-through steam generator, Benson®
- Design parameters: SH: 600 °C / 285 bar RH: 620 °C / 58 bar



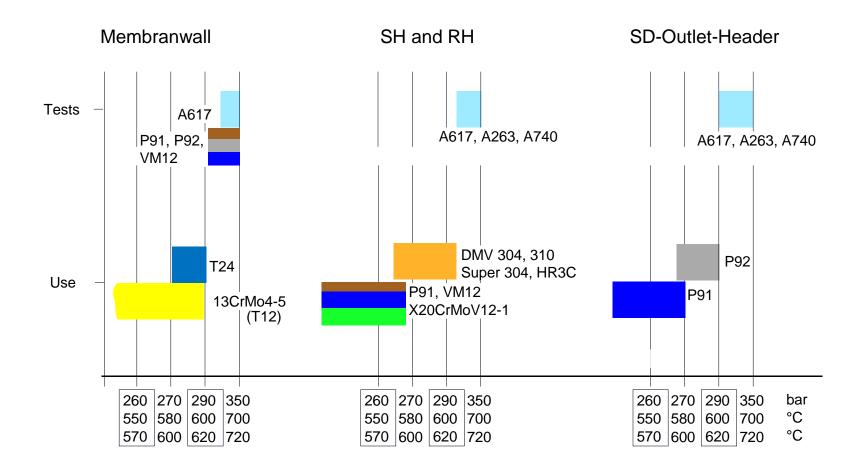
#### 2 Material For Steam Generators – Development Status 2002



[Based on source: Alstom, 2002]

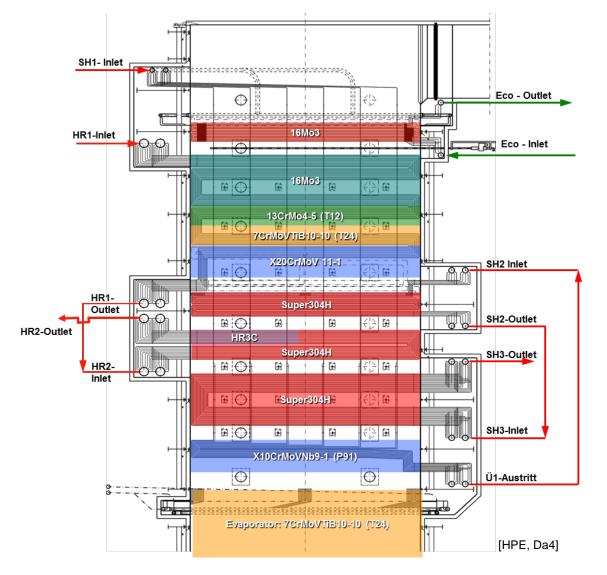


## 2 Material For Steam Generators - Status 2012





## 2 600°C/620° Power Plant The Material Mapping

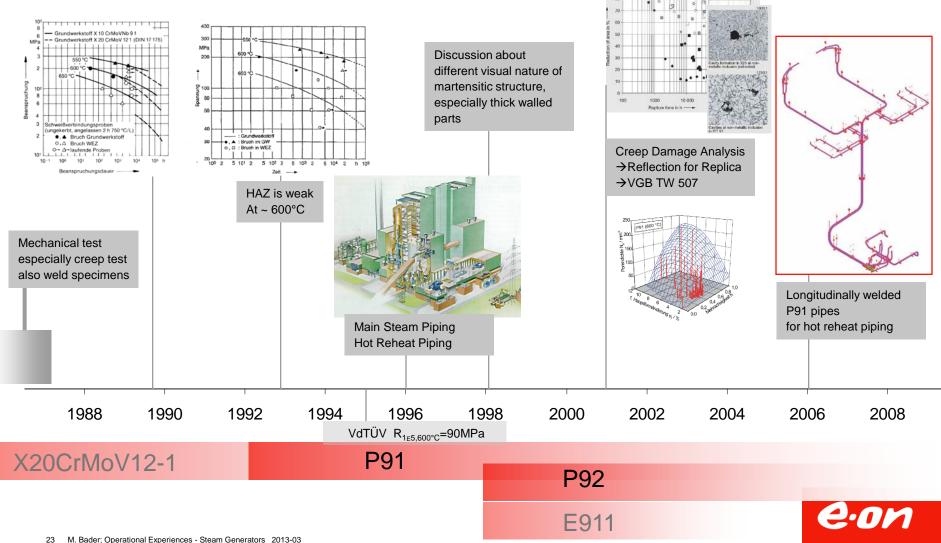


$$s_{wall} = \frac{p \cdot D}{2 \cdot R_{m,2 \cdot 10^5}}$$



## 2 Piping – Material P91

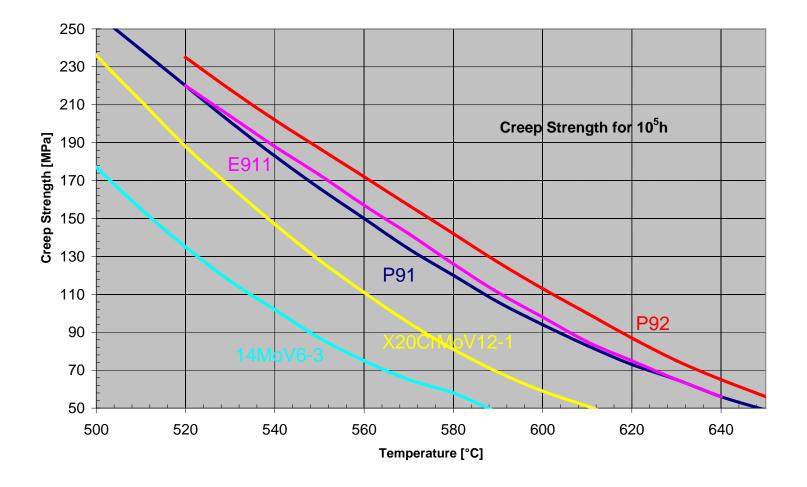
#### (Qualification and application in Germany)



X20 No dama:

◆X20 Damage

#### 2 Piping Material - P92 for the 600/620°C power plants



Best-in-class material for piping of USC-PP

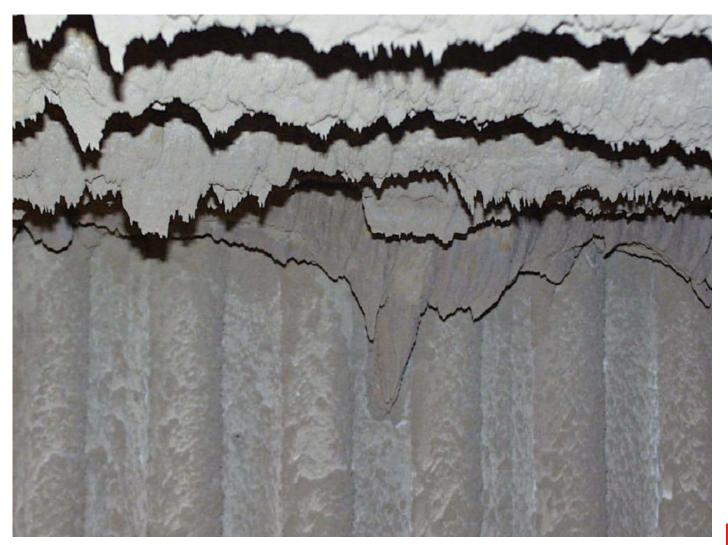


## 2 Piping Material - P92 Examples MPP3 and Da4

- Characteristic data of the actual 1.100 MW-PP-generation
  - Capacity: 1100 MW (gross) / 1055 MW (net)
  - Efficiency: 45.6 %
  - Parameter MS: 600°C / 285 bar
  - Significant reduction of the CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions
- Material used or high pressure piping: (PN>40bar)
  - X10CrWMoVNb9-2 (P92)
  - 10CrMo9-10 (P22)
  - 13CrMo4-5 (P12)
  - 15NiCuMoNb5-6-4 (1.6368)
  - 16Mo3 (P01)
  - P235GH (~H1)

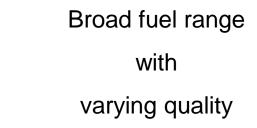
High end material for 360°C HP-feedwater line

# 3 Experiences: Slag



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Combustion of bituminous coal from international sources, a common problem on many sites



- Change of fouling behaviour
- Slagging at the burners
- Increase of furnace exit gas temperature

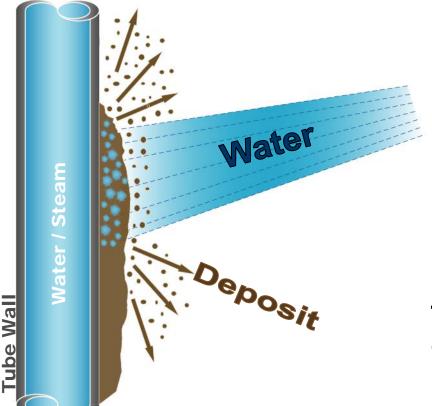


[Clyde Bergmann, 2013]



# 3 Experiences: Slag- Cleaning With Water Canon

#### **Sudden evaporation**



#### **Cleaning Mechanism**

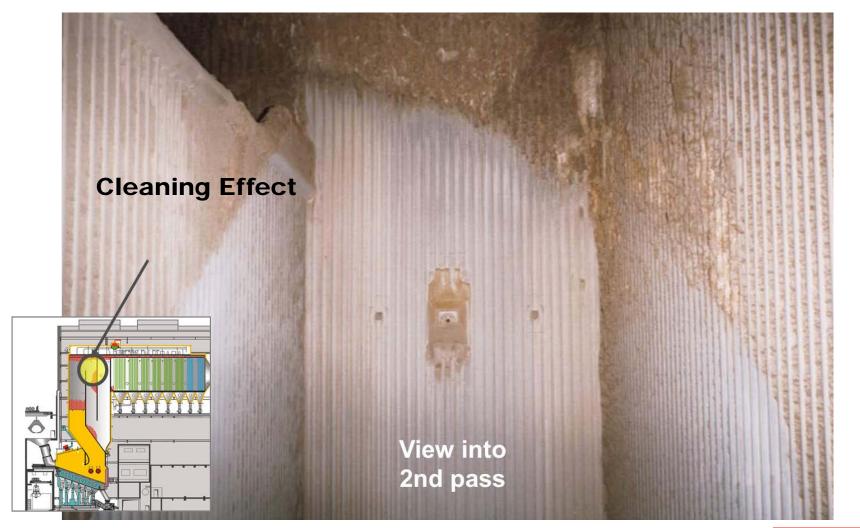
- Water impacts on surface
- Water penetrates into pores of deposit
- Deposit layer "explodes" from wall
  - Parameter for successful cleaning
    - Impact water quantity
    - Impact area
    - Jet progression speed
    - Characteristics of deposits

## The goal: Optimum penetration of deposits

[Clyde Bergmann, 2013]



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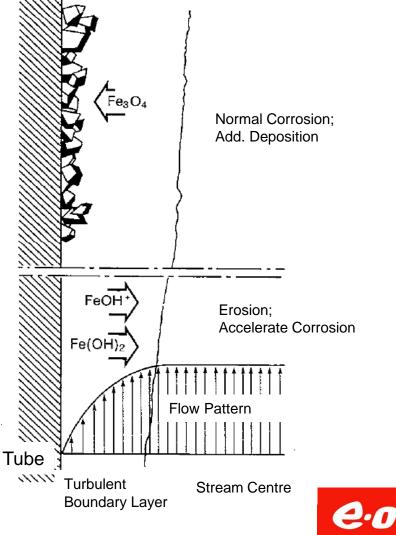
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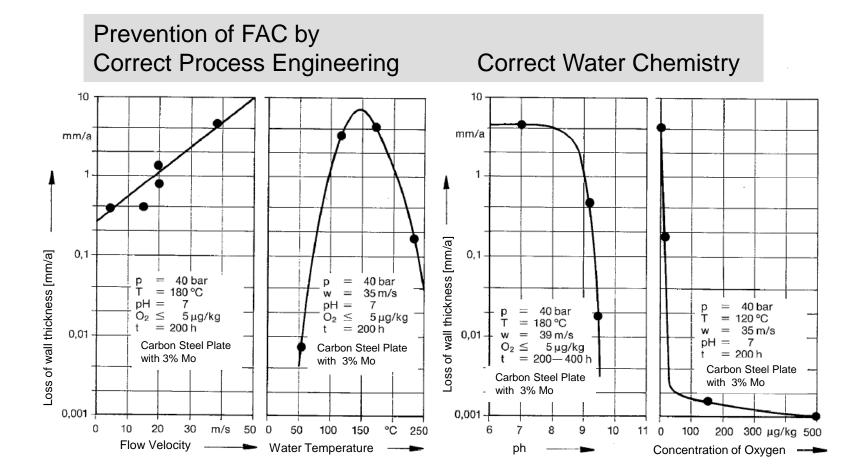
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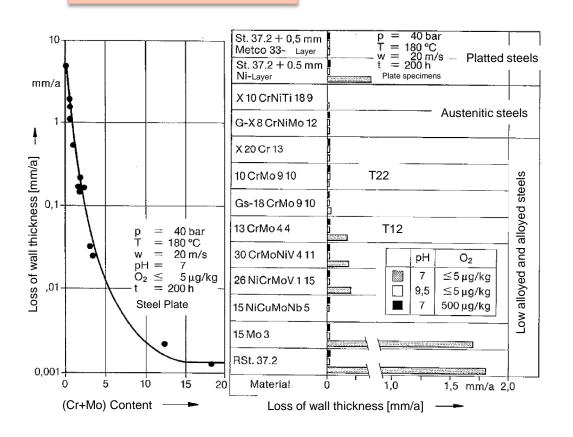
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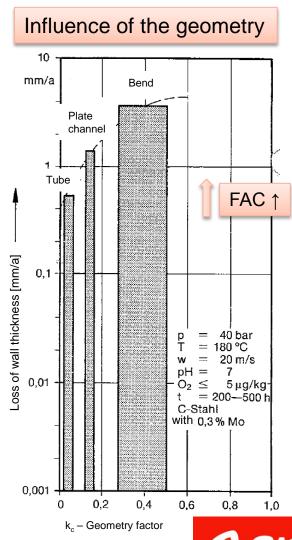




## 3 Experiences: Flow Accelerated Corrosion (FAC)

Prevention of FAC by material selection



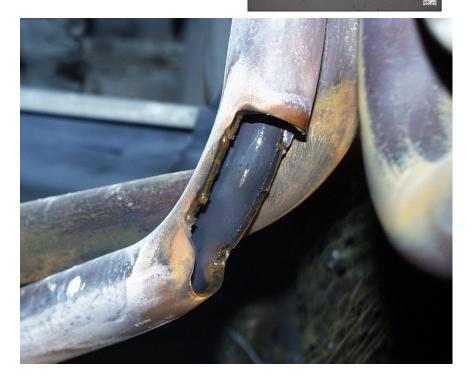


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#### 3 Experiences: Corrosion Fatigue (CF)

#### 44,5 mm ä Ø x 5,0 mm



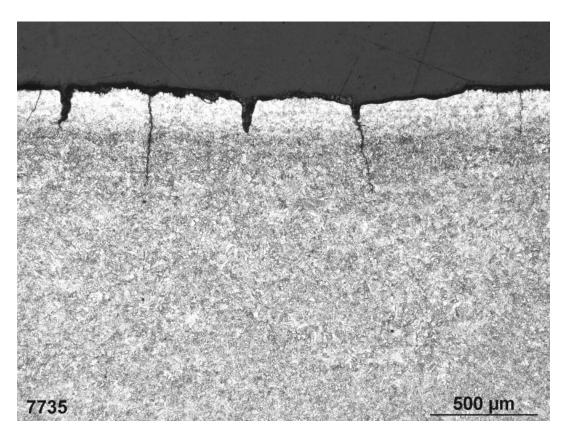


Example: drain line

T~250°C; p=260bar; t=200.000h



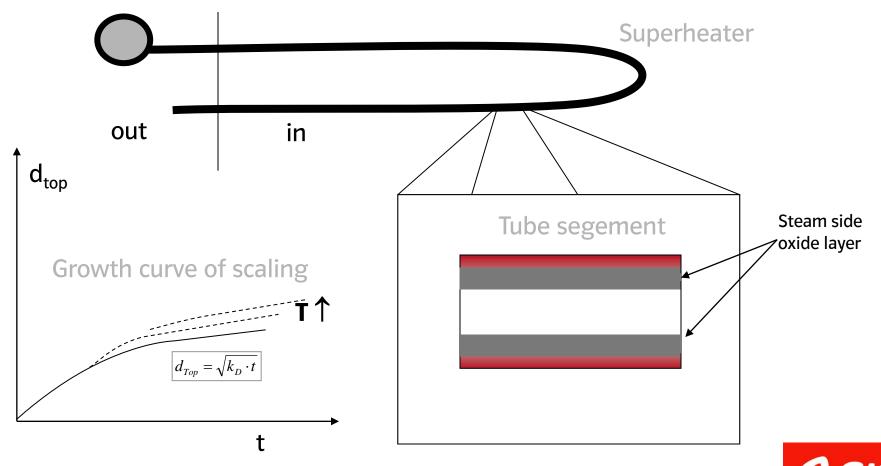
## 3 Experiences: Stress Corrosion Cracking (SCC)





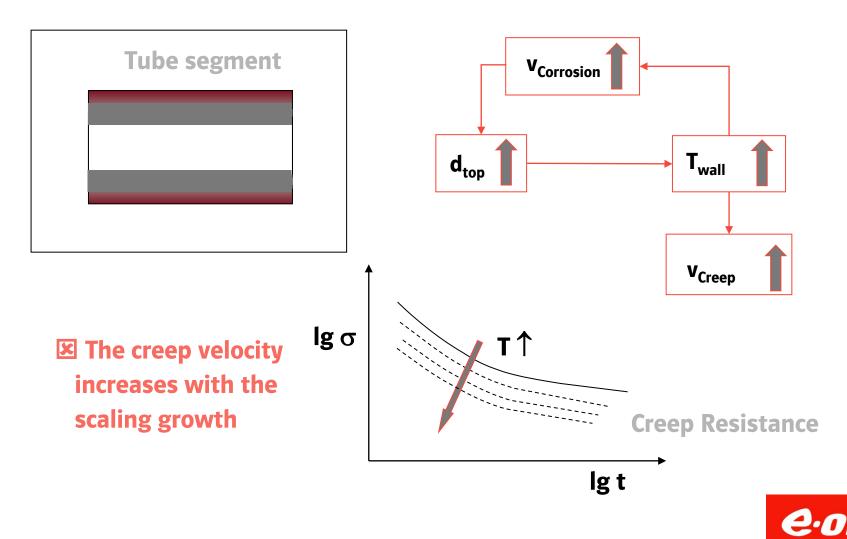


- 3 Experiences: High Temperature Corrosion (HTC)
- High temperature corrosion in the steam generator





## 3 Experiences: Steam Side Scaling And Creep (The Interaction)

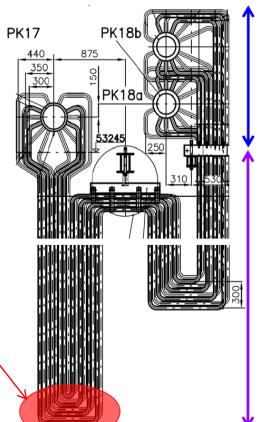




#### 3 High-Temperature Corrosion - Special Effects → Exfoliation

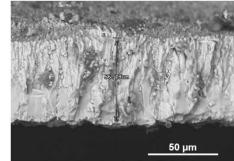
#### **Boiler parameters:**

Nominal heat rate:	437 MW
Nominal rate:	547 t/h
Maximum continuous rate:	575 t/h
Superheated steam pressure: MPa	18,1
Superheated steam temp.:	575°C
Hot reheated steam pressure:	3,6 MPa
Hot reheated steam temp.:	580°C
Feed water temperature:	249,5°C



X10CrMoVNb9-1 (T91)

#### X6CrNiMo17-13 (1.4910)





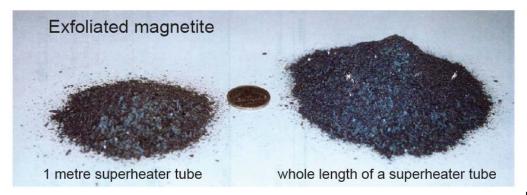
Deposit of the delaminated magnetite layer

[VGB, Lüdenbach, 2011]



## 3 Exfoliation Of Magnetite Layer Of Austenitic RH-Material





[Dong, Larsen, 2008]



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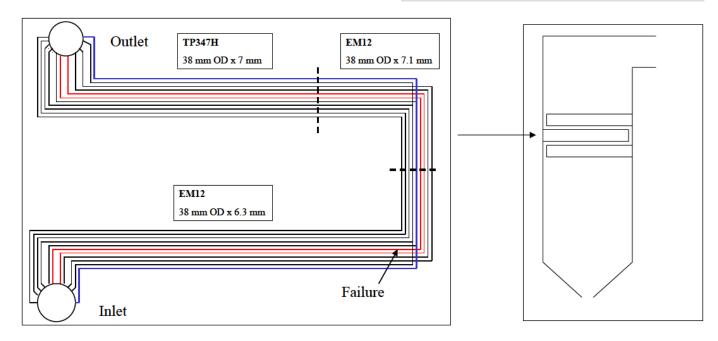
Esbjergværket Unit 3

Year of commissioning: 1992

Fuel: Pulverised coal

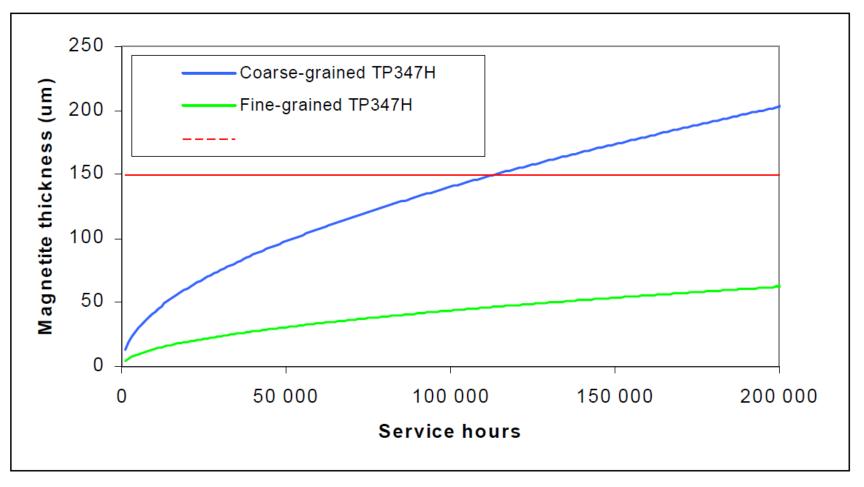
Capacity: 400MW<sub>el</sub>

Steam data: 260 bar/560 °C/ 560 °C



[Dong, Larsen, 2008]

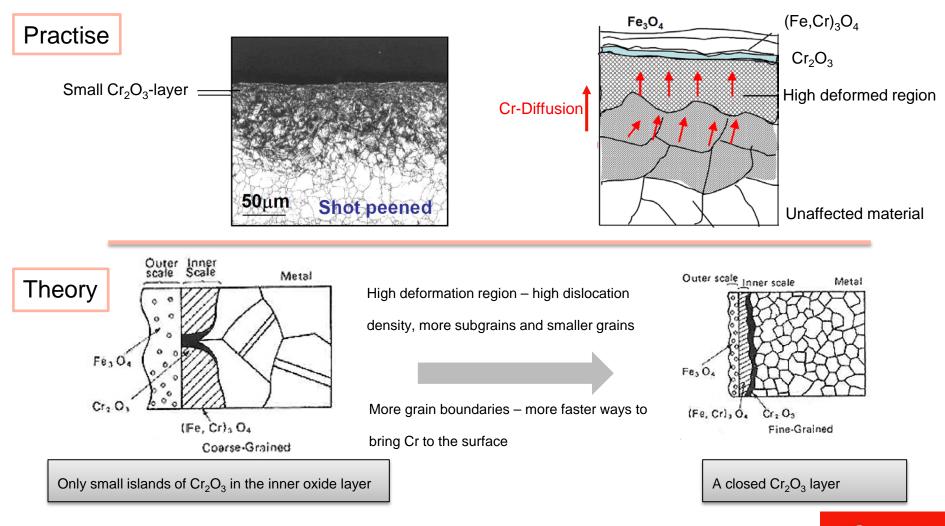
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#### **Global Unit Generation**

## 3 Special Application Of Super304H And DMV304HCu



[Based on source: HPE, Husemann, 2007]



# Résumé

- EU: Small steam generators are generally natural circulation boiler or forced circulation boiler. Big steam generators are mostly once-through boiler.
- The single pass boiler are more popular since the late 70s.
- The different load situation in the boiler leads to different failure mechanism and also to different failure chains.
- Most of the actual issues are related to the flexibility.

