

Sector Coupling: Electrified Transportation

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Motivation and Objective

- The transportation system is rapidly electrifying, displacing the functions of the present-day fossil fuel sector
- Ensuring this rapid transition is smooth necessitates understanding the functional requirements of the emerging electrified transportation system and the understanding structure and performance of the current fossil fuel delivery system, which is less well understood and documented
- Sector Coupling is an emerging discipline to ensure the underlying structures, couplings, and attributes of these systems are identified, strengths leveraged, and weaknesses addressed

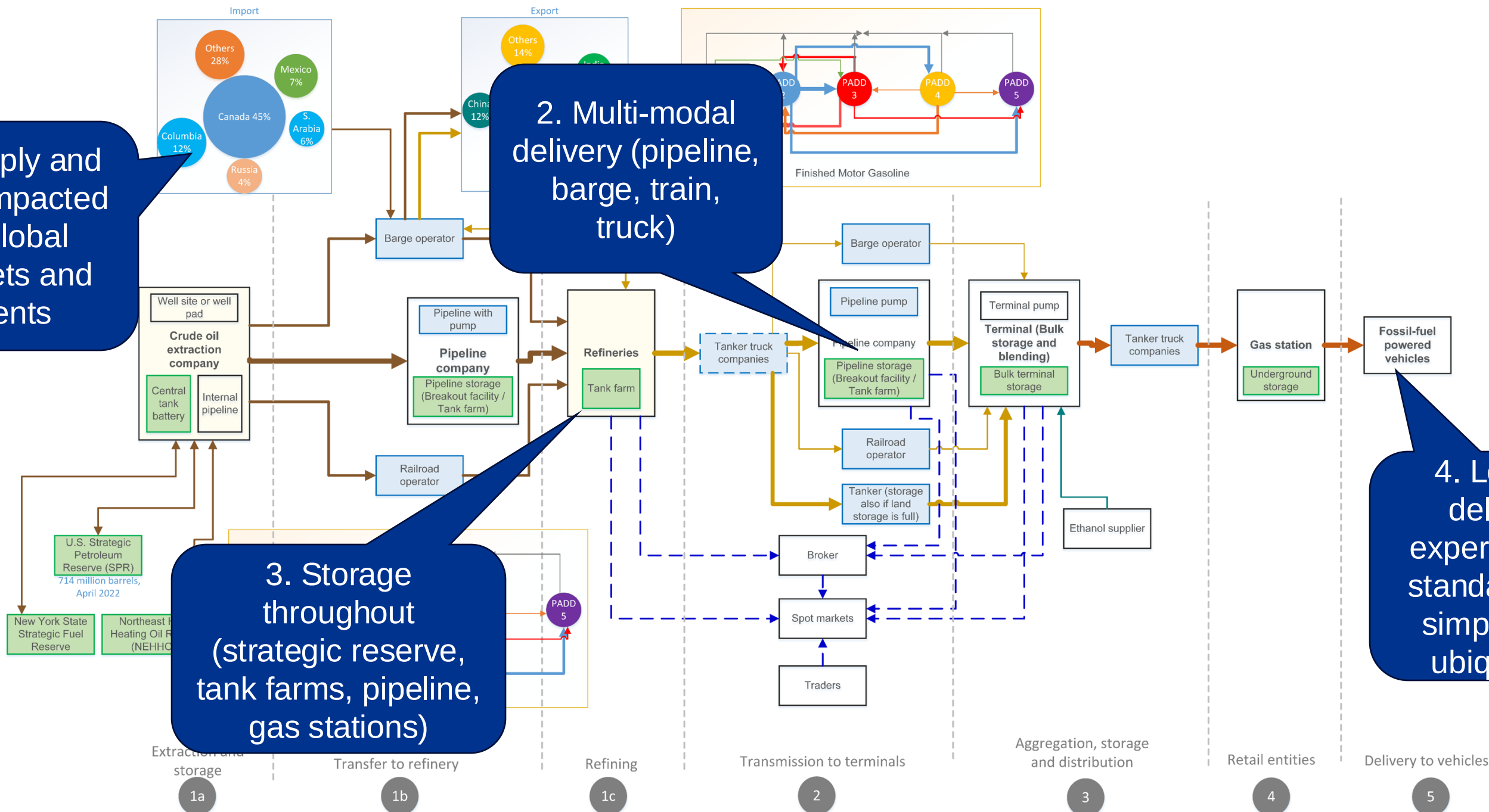
Fuel Supply Chain: Key Attributes

1. Supply and price impacted by global markets and events

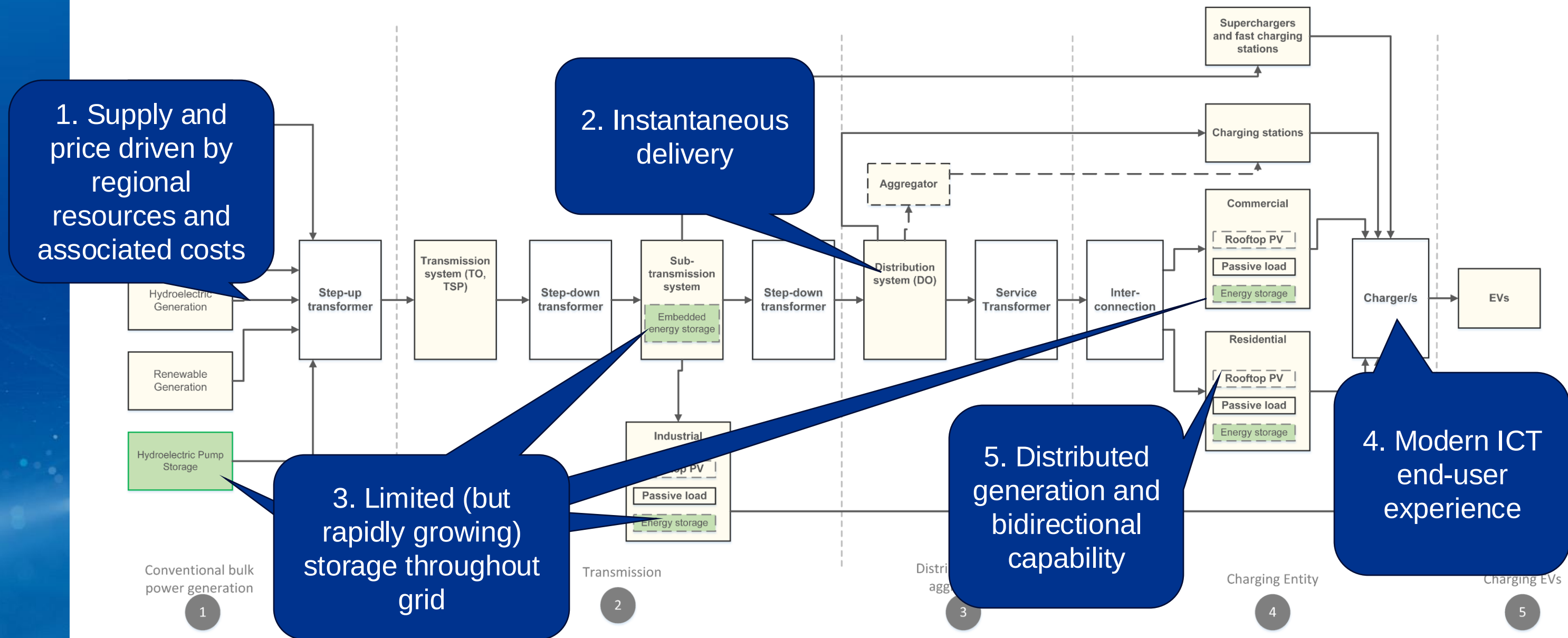
2. Multi-modal delivery (pipeline, barge, train, truck)

3. Storage throughout (strategic reserve, tank farms, pipeline, gas stations)

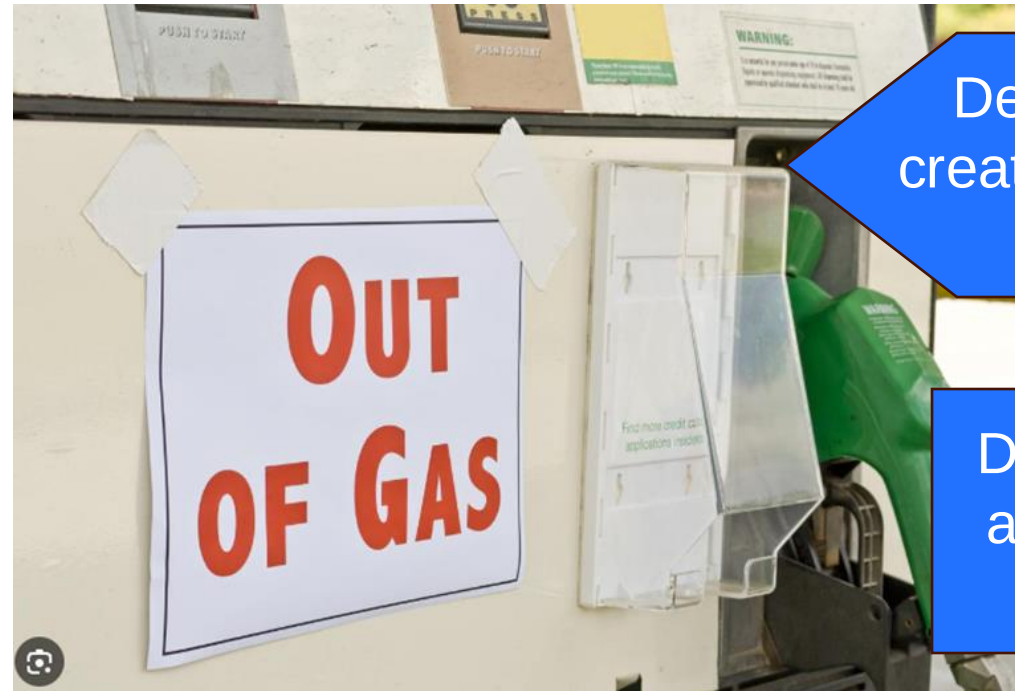
4. Legacy delivery experience is standardized, simple, and ubiquitous



Electricity Supply Chain: Key Attributes



Ensuring Supply During Extreme Events



Demand surges can create shortages prior to extreme events



Disparities in restoration and replenishment time between sectors



Disparities in robustness of end-use experience



Distributed and bidirectional power generation

Summary

- Understanding and leveraging system structures and attributes to meet requirements will be critical to a smooth transition
- Sector Coupling plays a key role of illuminating these features in complex coupled systems
- Current focus on sector communication structure coupling & coordination frameworks at grid interfaces
- Currently supporting Oregon (through CESER funding) under their State Energy Security Plan
- Reports: PNNL-35826
 - [Coupling of the Electricity and Transportation Sectors - Part I: Sector Overviews](#)
 - [Coupling of the Electricity and Transportation Sectors - Part II: Risk Assessment](#)



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