

OTM Technology: Process Intensification and Modularization

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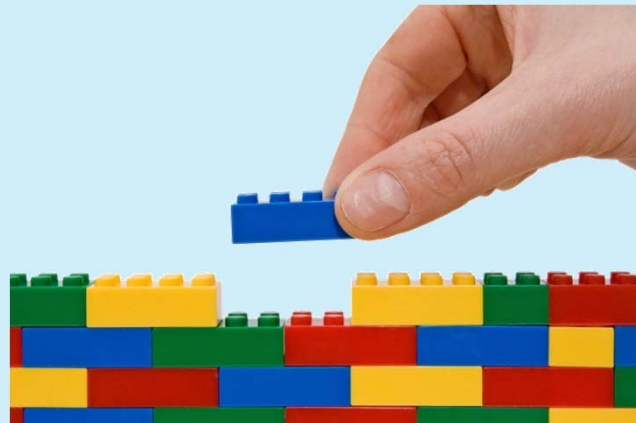


Modular might be a solution if...

**The technology is inherently small,
but it needs to scale larger.**

and/or

**The process is large,
but it practically needs to be smaller.**



A strategy of integration and disintegration

What is Modularization?

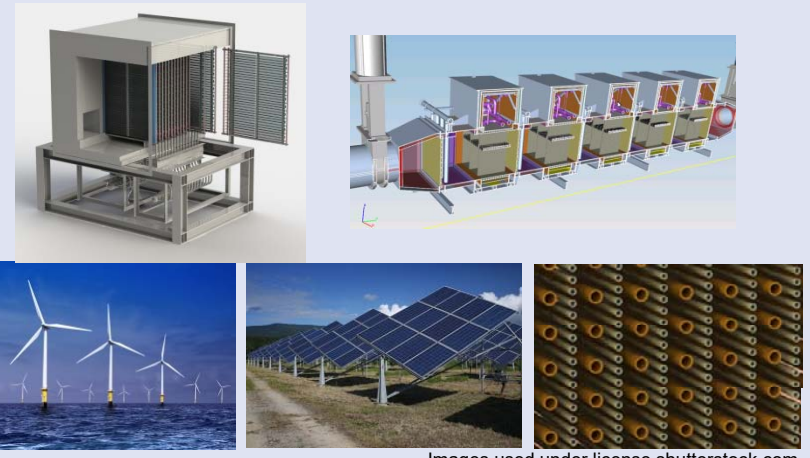
Modular Construction

- Well-known, available option
- Drastic reduction in field costs
- Scale is logistically limited
- Traditional process scaling rules apply
- Large system → small modules



Modular Process

- Replicate over and over
- Massive parallel processing
- Linear process scale-up
- High volume manufacturing scaling rules apply
- Small modules → large system



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Why modular? Reduced cost and increased flexibility

What is a “Module”?

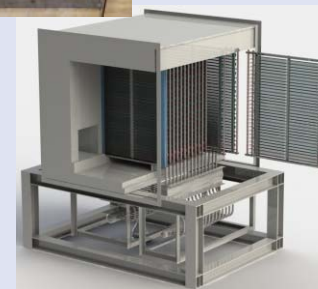
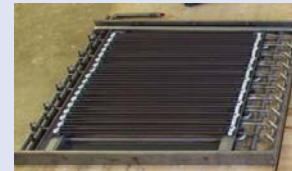
Integrated Process Units

- The “new” technology
- Smallest unit of process
- Numbered-up to achieve scale with lower risk
- Packaged into modules
- Maximize productivity and manufacturing efficiency



Modules

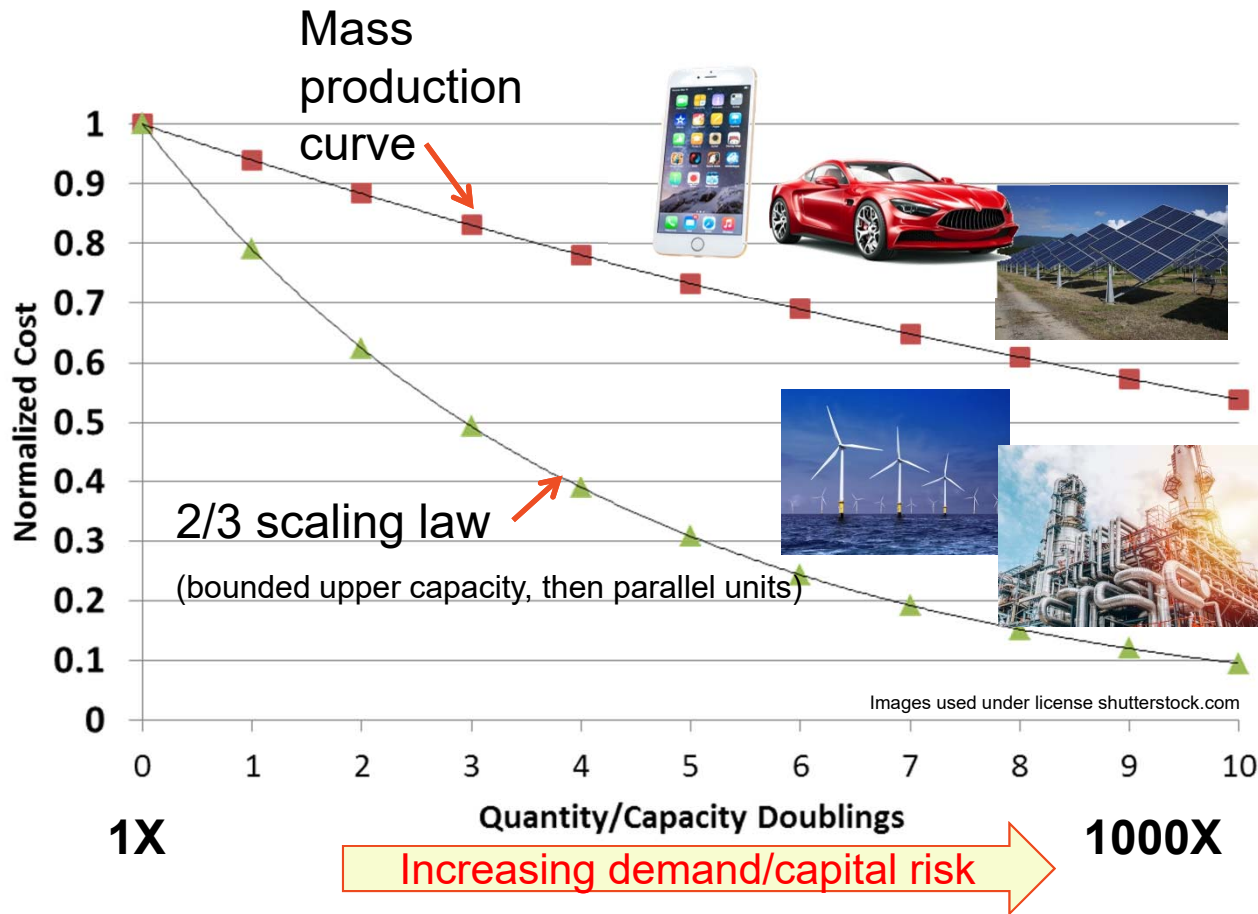
- Packaged process units
- Parallel operating unit in process
- Numbered-up to achieve scale with lower risk
- Minimize number for economy



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Modular systems are comprised of process units in modules

The economies of scale.....

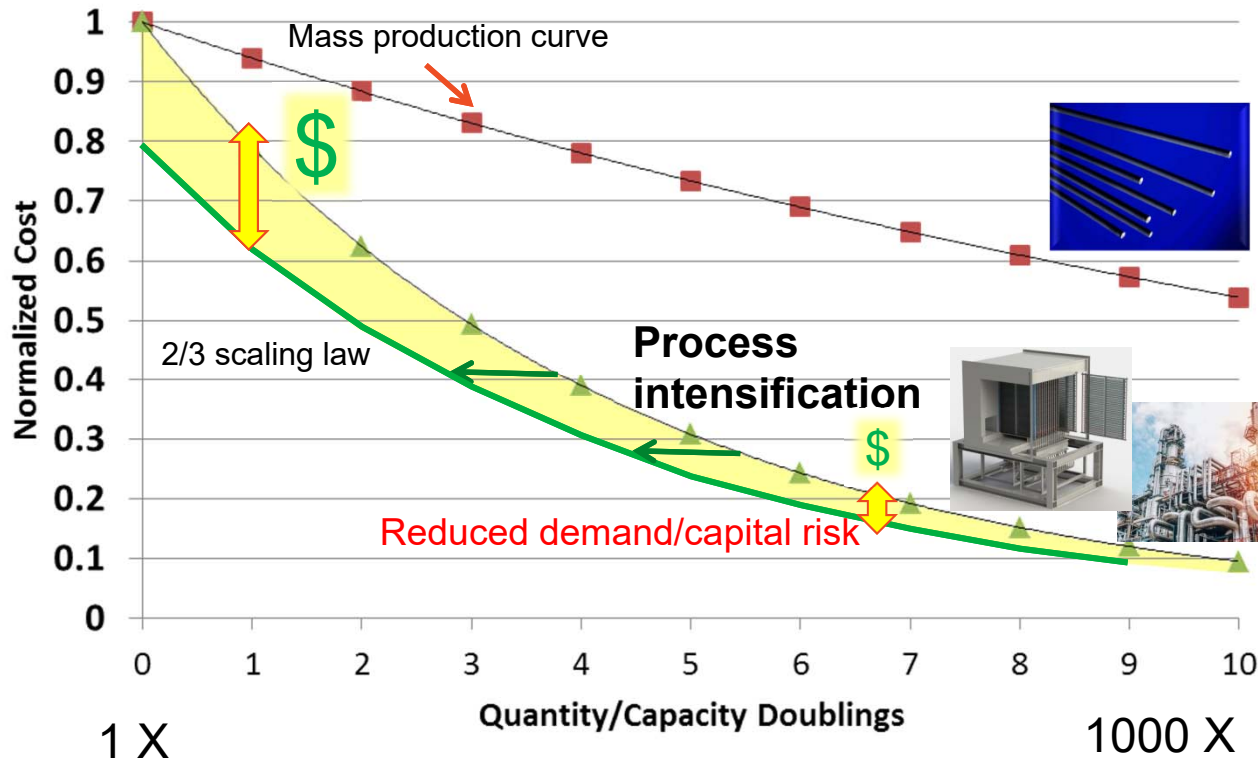


This curve always wins in **consumer goods**
“The right product at the right price”

This curve always wins in the **process industry**
“The most for the money, period.”

What value for mass production in the process industry?

The economies of scale.....



“New technology” must enable

process intensification

- Combine processes
- Eliminate processes
- Smaller boxes
- More productive boxes
- Smarter, less labor input

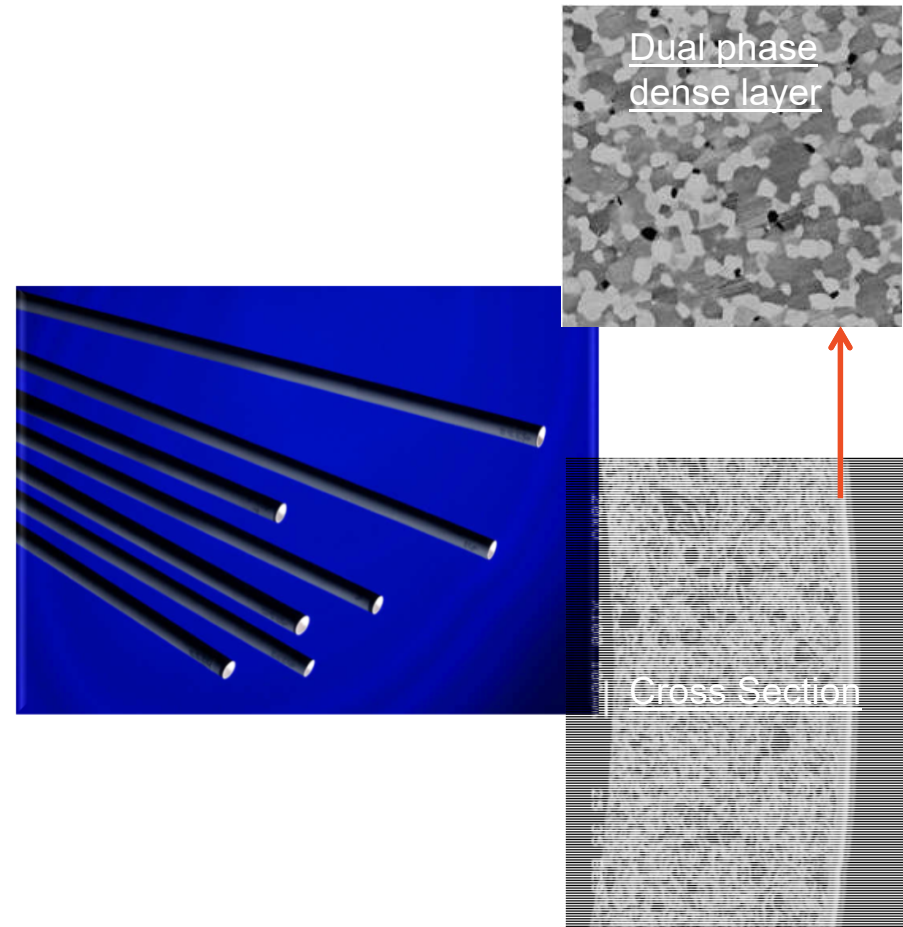
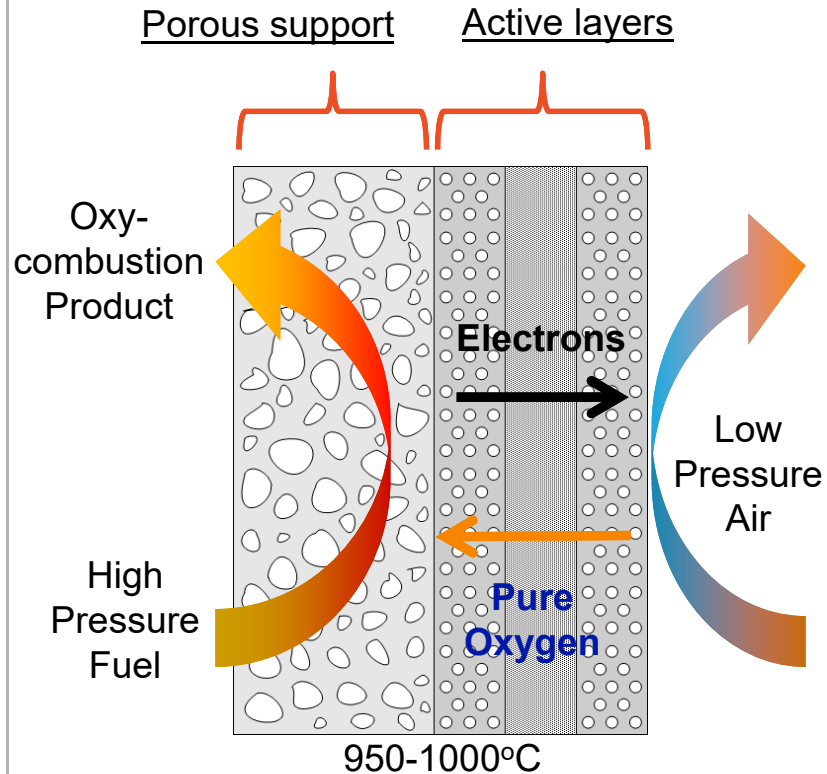
Integration of process intensified units shifts this curve to the left

Enables economics at smaller scale

Process intensification and mass produce to enable improved economics

OTM – A “New” Technology:

Oxygen Transport Membrane (OTM)



Process Intensification: Solid-state, pure air separation

Ceramic Membrane– Mass Produce 1,000's for a System

Substrate extrusion



Coating



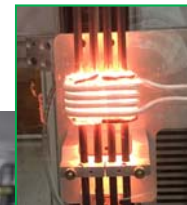
High temperature firing



Finished Multi-tube Assemblies



Seal assembly



Putting it all together...

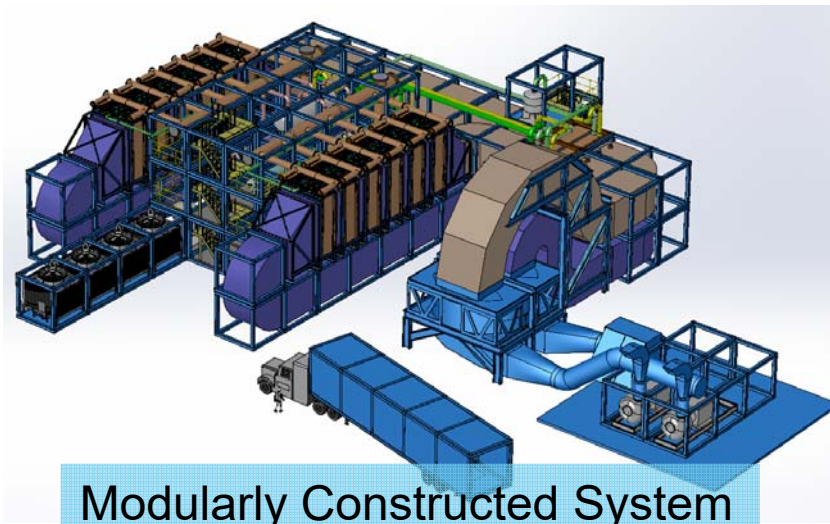
Ceramic Membranes



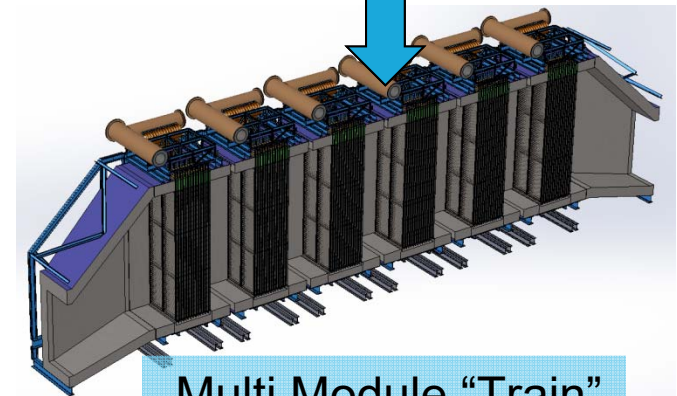
Panel Array



Furnace Module "Pack"



Modularly Constructed System



Multi Module "Train"

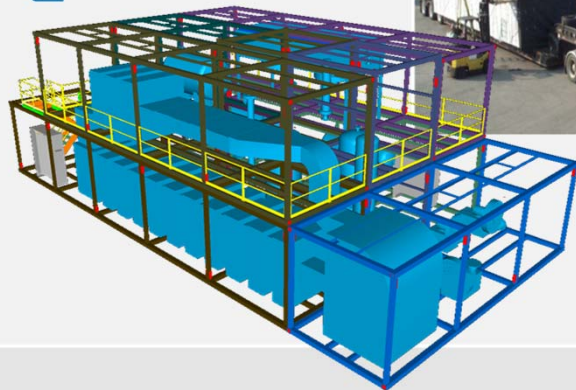
A process intensified, modular process utilizing modular construction

Lessons Learned

Modular Construction

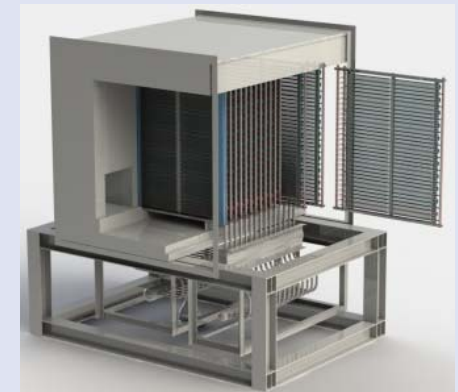
- Size module for low total freight costs
- Maximize fab shop scope, build & check out
- Don't forget about serviceability / maintenance access

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Modular Process

- Drive manufacturing efficiency/volume
- Fault-tolerant parallel units
- Largest module size → reduce parallel trains
- Small plants low risk but always capital cost challenged



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