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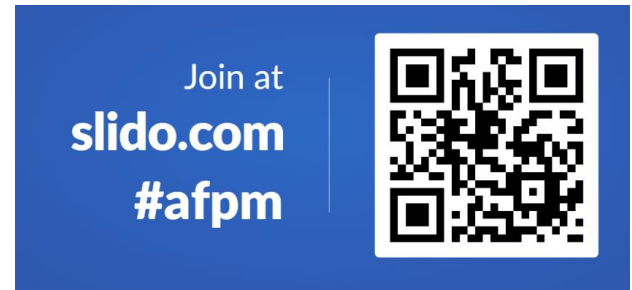
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Molecular Management in the Gasoline Pool – Looking to the Future

January 27, 2021

American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers

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1. Market Views - NexantECA

2. Technology – Axens

3. Q&A

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Molecular Management in the Gasoline Pool – Looking to the Future: Market Views

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Agenda

- 1 NexantECA Introduction
- 2 Markets for FCC Products
- 3 Summary

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of institutional
knowledge

100+

Industry experts

12

countries worldwide with
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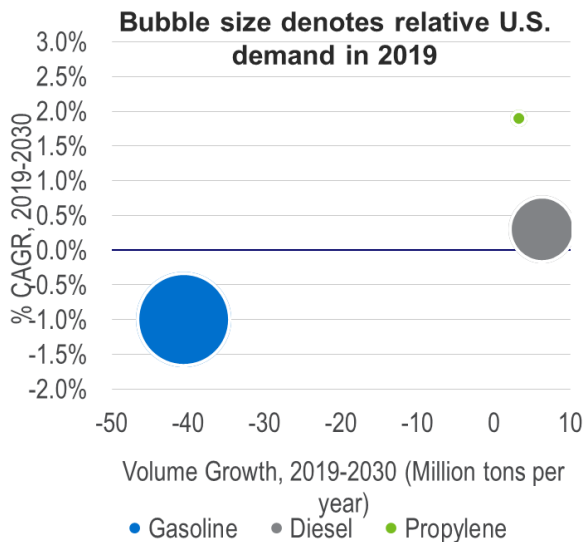
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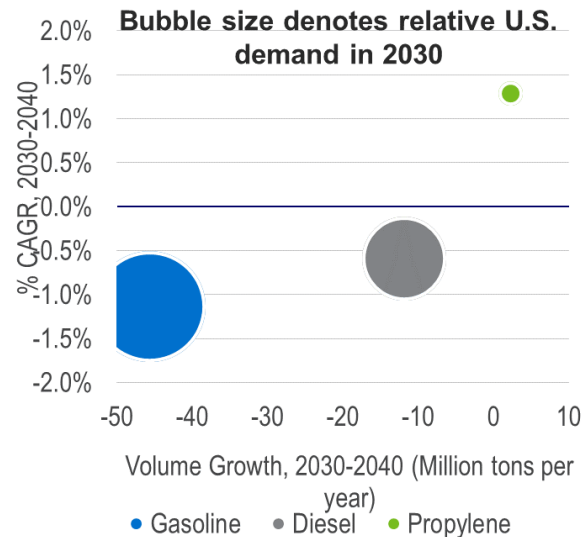
Markets for FCC Products

U.S. demand for transport fuels is expected to plateau and enter a long-term structural decline in the near future

U.S. Market Growth for Key FCC Products, 2019-2030



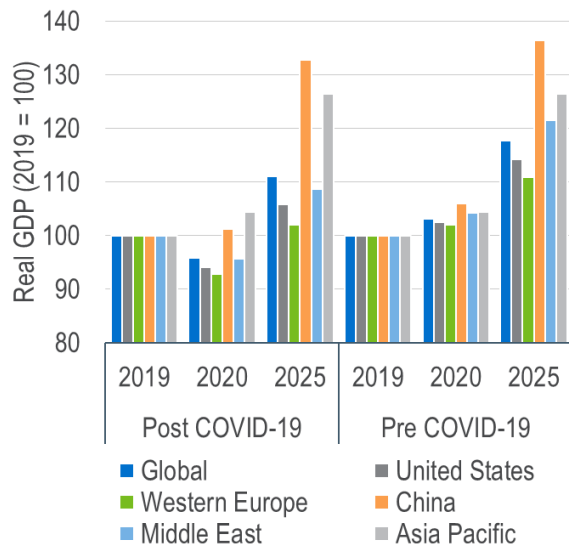
U.S. Market Growth for Key FCC Products, 2030-2040



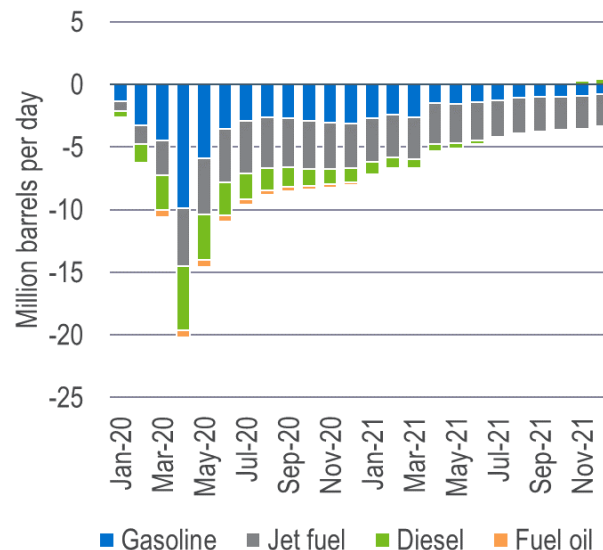
Demand for propylene (and other chemicals) is expected to remain robust over the long-term, albeit the market size is an order of magnitude lower than transport fuels

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to plague global economic growth and suppress near-term demand for refined products

**Impact of COVID-19 on Global GDP Growth
(Change to GDP Forecasts)**



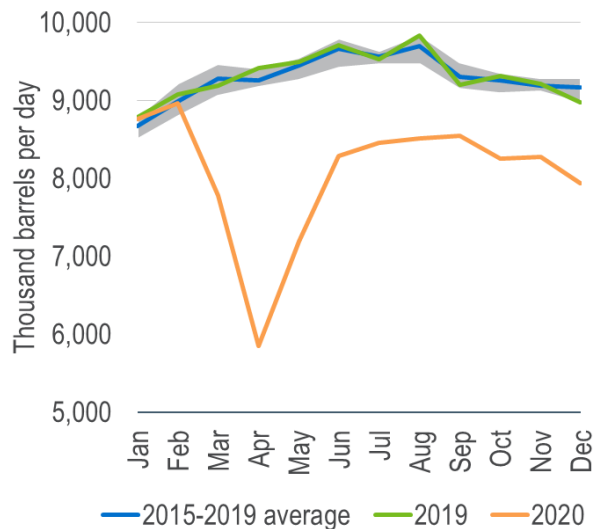
Global Recovery of Oil Demand to pre-COVID-19 Levels



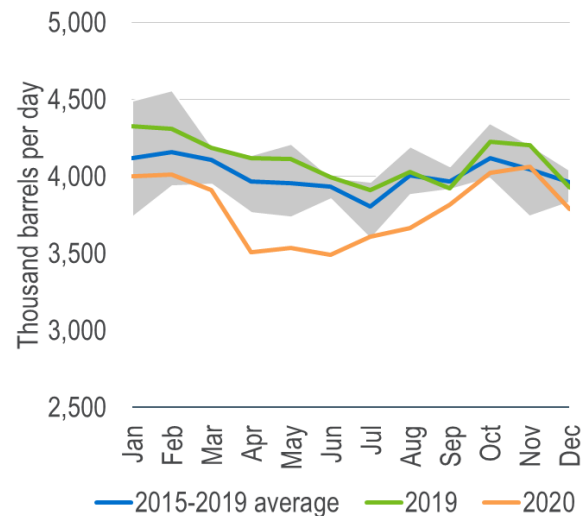
Although some recovery to pre-COVID-19 levels is expected, the long-term demand prospects for transport fuels remain unchanged

In the U.S., gasoline demand remains considerably below the 5 year average, while diesel demand has recovered more strongly

U.S. Gasoline Demand during COVID-19
(Thousand barrels per day)



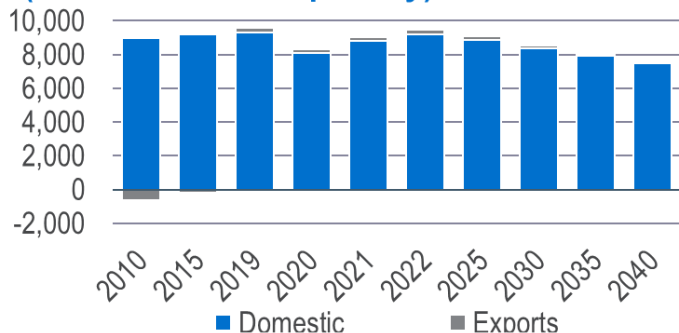
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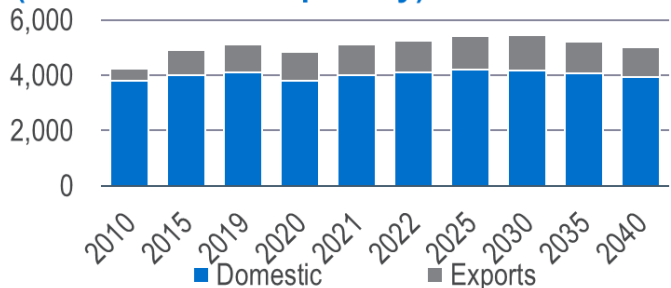
After an immediate resurgence, gasoline demand has stagnated due to continued lockdown measures while diesel has benefitted from strong commercial transportation demand

Despite the pandemic, the long-term outlook for peak road transport fuels demand remains unchanged

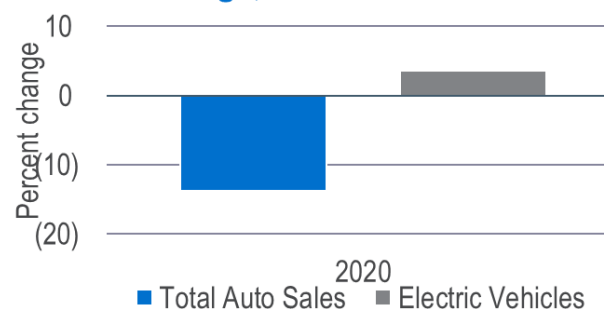
U.S. Gasoline Demand Outlook, 2010-2040
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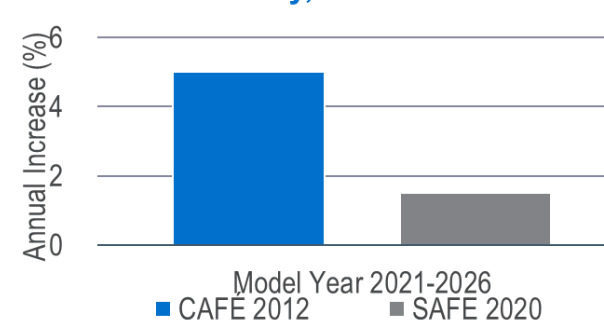
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U.S. Vehicle Sales v/s Electric Vehicles
Percent Change, 2020

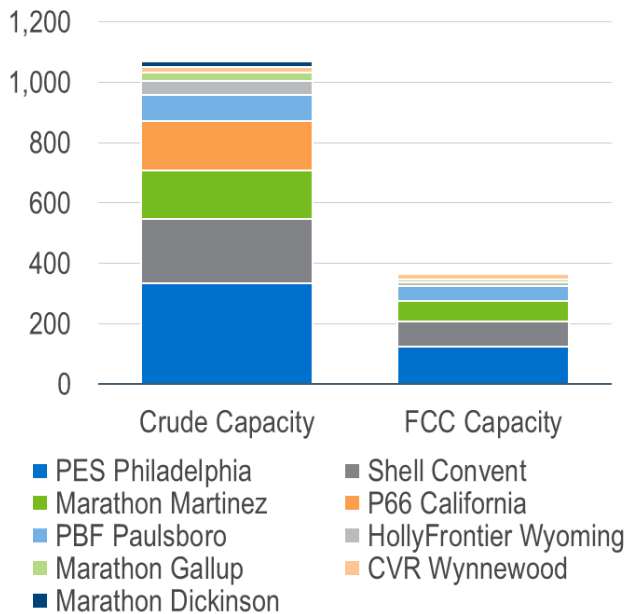


U.S. Fuel Efficiency, CAFÉ v/s SAFE

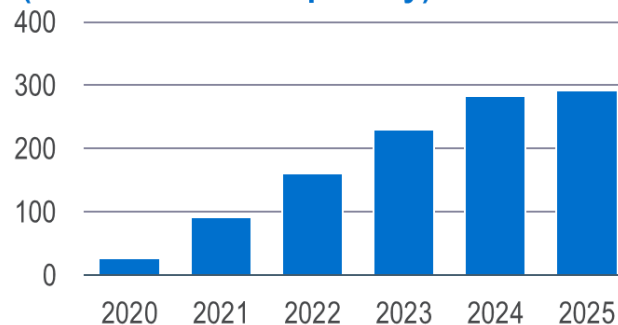


Although amongst the most competitive globally, the U.S. refining industry will need to adjust to the changing demand trends

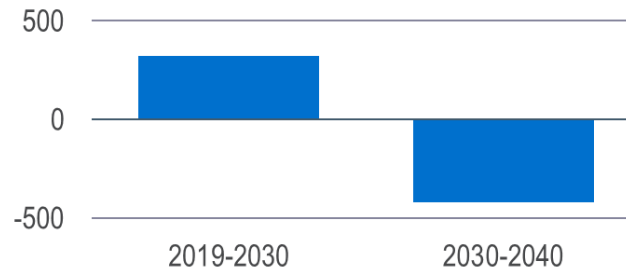
**U.S. Refinery Closures / Modifications
(Thousand barrels per day)**



**Announced Renewable Diesel Projects
(Thousand barrels per day)**

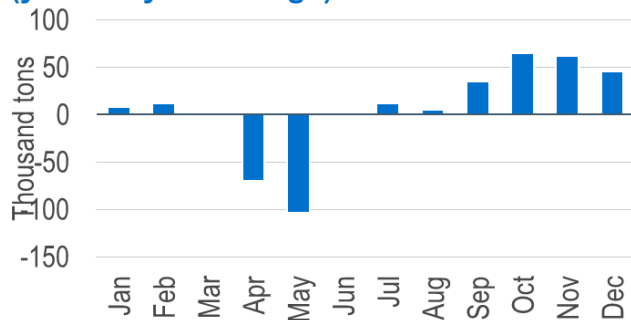


**U.S. Diesel Demand Change
(Thousand barrels per day)**

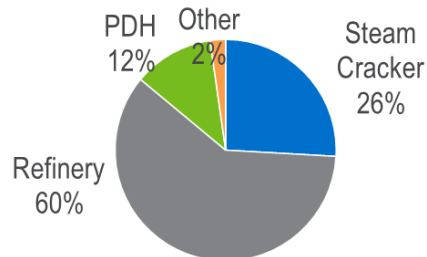


Demand for propylene (and other chemicals) has remained relatively resilient during COVID-19, and long-term prospects remain strong

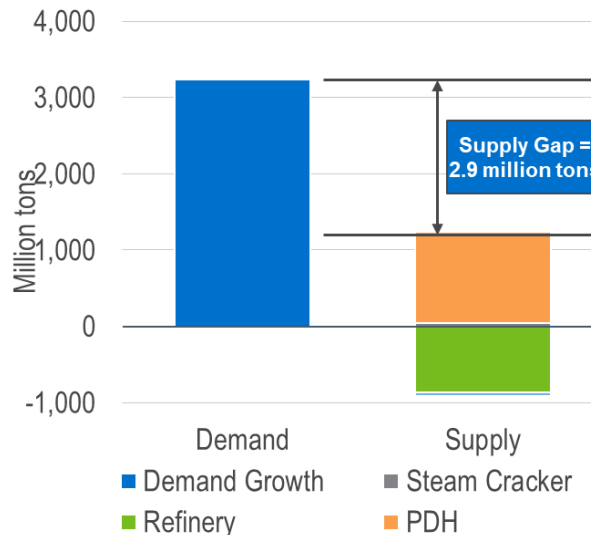
**U.S. Polypropylene Demand Change, 2020
(year-on-year change)**



**U.S. Sources of Propylene, 2019
(2019 supply = 15.2 million tons)**



U.S. Propylene Supply Demand Gap, 2019-2040



Chemicals markets offer opportunities to U.S. refiners seeking alternative growth markets

Summary

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Consumption

- U.S. demand for gasoline and diesel is expected to plateau in the near-term and enter a long-term structural decline
- EV sales have remained relatively resilient during COVID-19; automakers continue to pivot their vehicle fleet towards newer EV models
- A return to CAFÉ standards of 2012 could further accelerate a demand decline for gasoline
- Diesel demand in the near term will be underpinned by strong commercial transportation demand, but will be increasingly affected in the longer term by trends such as vehicle fuel efficiency and electrification
- Markets for propylene and other chemicals, although an order of magnitude lower than the market for transport fuels, offer one of the few growth opportunities

Supply

- U.S. refiners will need to adjust to the changing domestic demand trends for transport fuels, with export opportunities offering limited respite
- Further closures of uncompetitive U.S. refining capacity and/or modification to renewable fuel projects are increasingly likely



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Molecular Management in the Gasoline Pool - Looking to the Future



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- FCC Product Composition
- Introduction to Oligomerization
- Flexene™ Solution Overview
- Case Study
- Summary
- An alternate look at FCC

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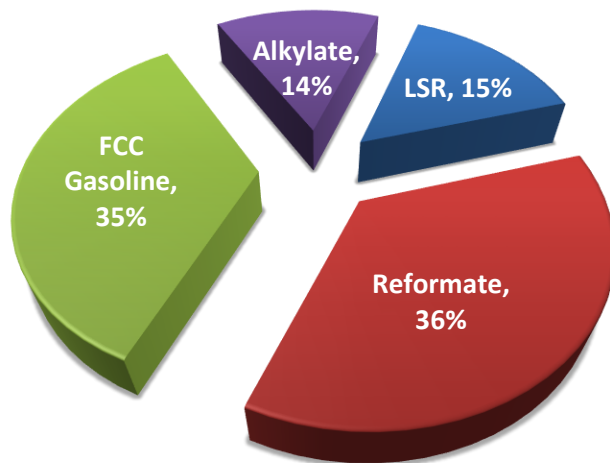
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Composition of Gasoline Pool

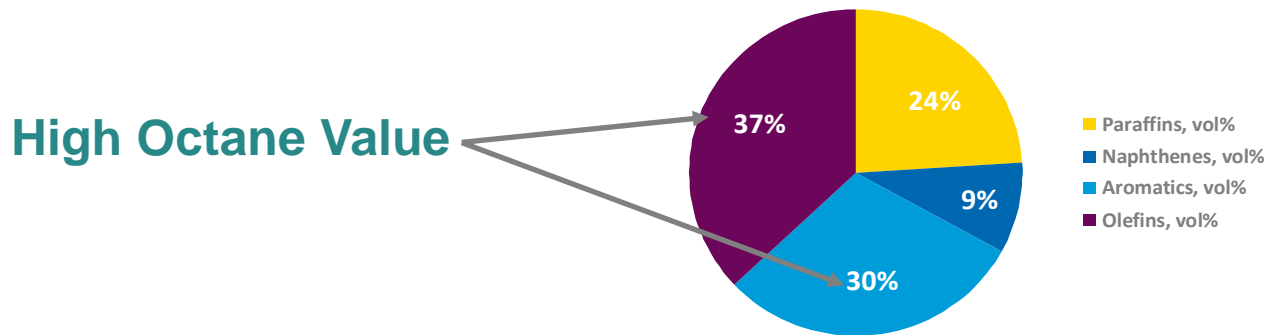
Conventional Refinery Gasoline Pool



Gasoline Pool, v%

FCC gasoline typically constitutes ~1/3 of the gasoline pool in volume

FCC Gasoline Composition



Olefins

Ex : $\text{CH}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{-CH=CH-CH}_2\text{-CH}_3$

Hept-3-ene

RON = 89.8

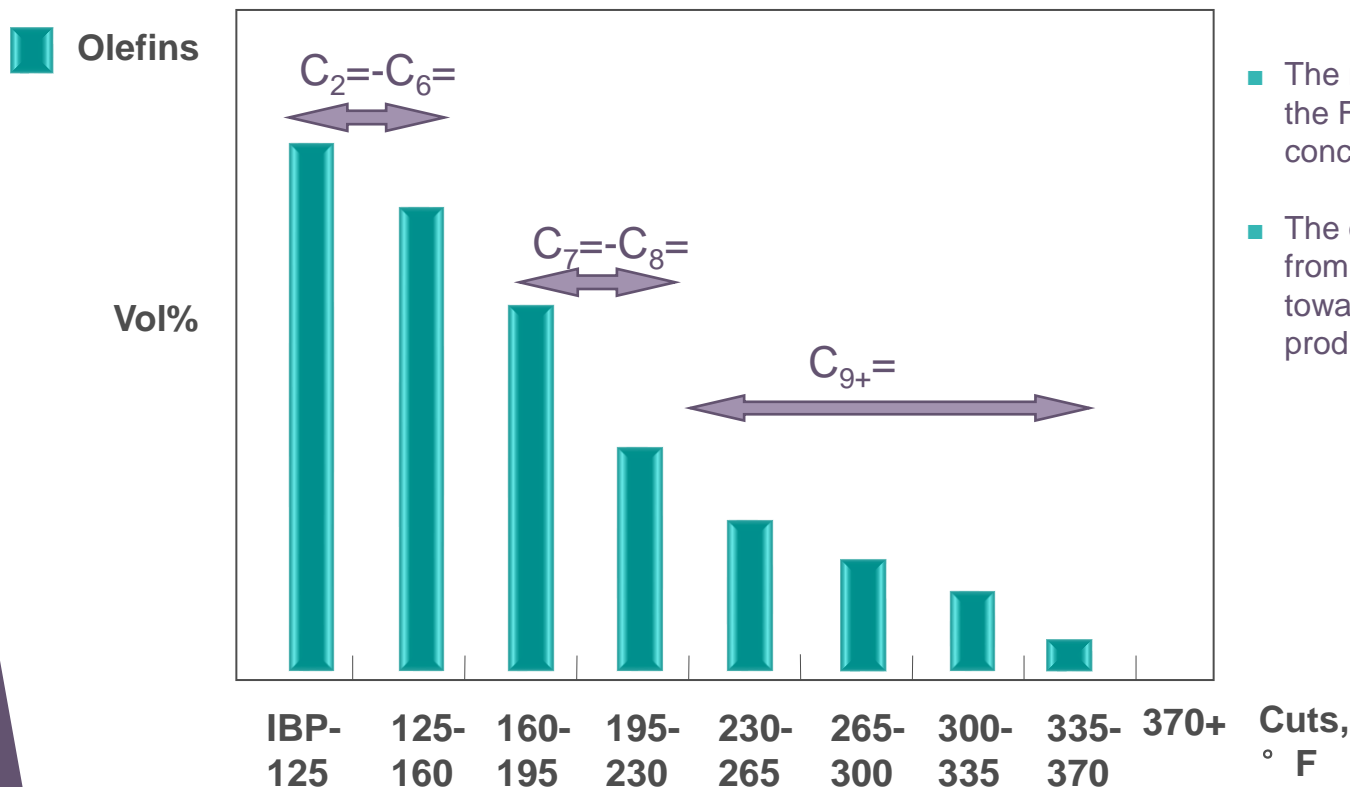
Aromatics



Toluene

RON = 120

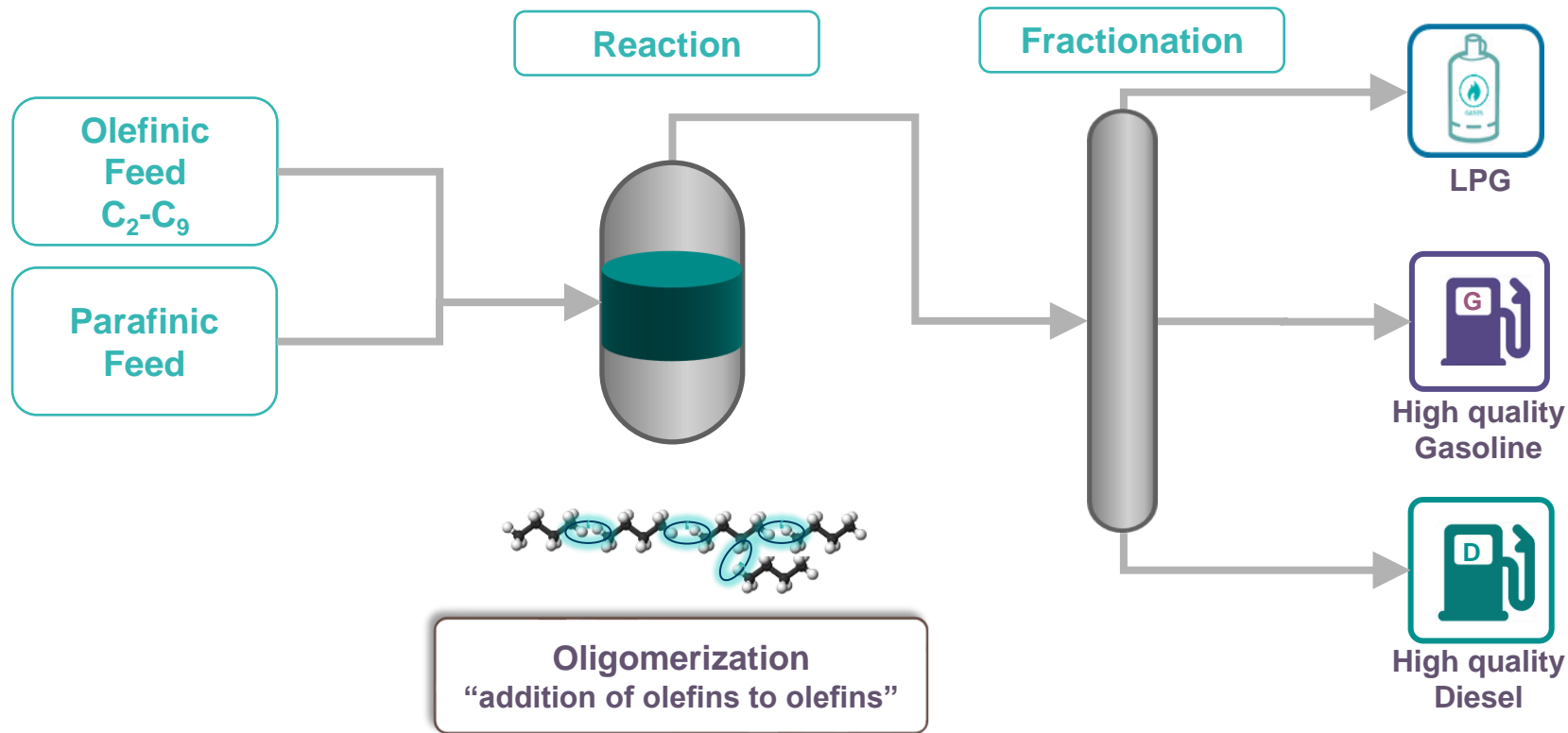
Distribution of Olefins in FCC Product Cuts



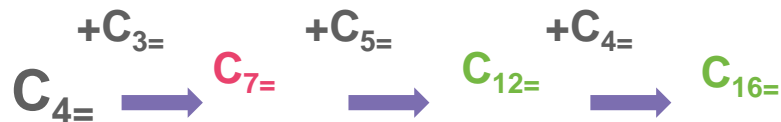
- The majority of the olefins in the FCC product is concentrated in C_7 and below
- The olefins can be reoriented from the gasoline pool towards more valuable products

Axens' Oligomerization Technology

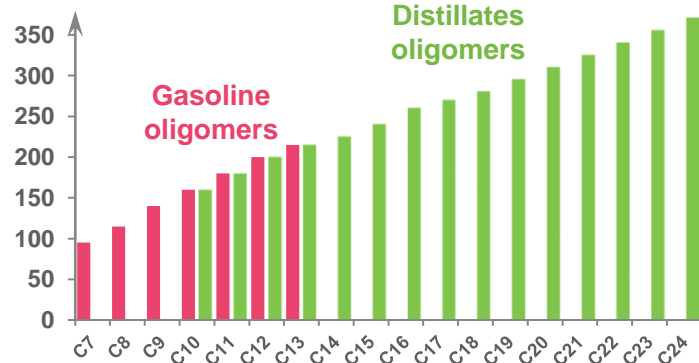
Turn Olefinic Feedstocks into High Value Products



Polynaphtha™ & PolyFuel™ - Main Features



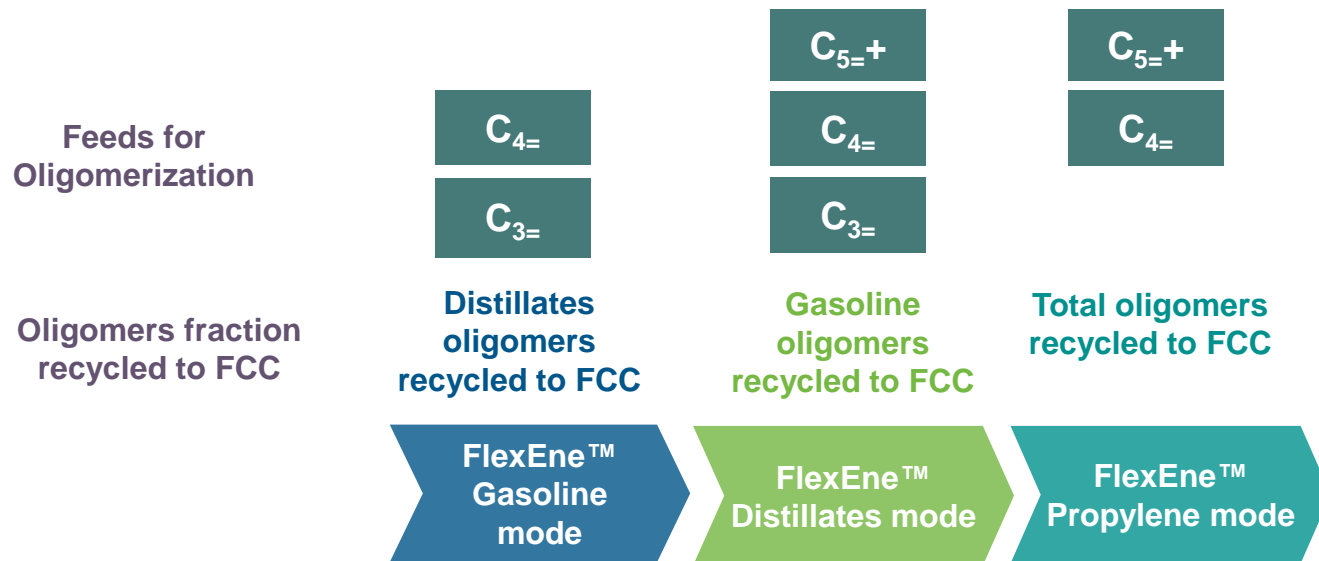
Boiling range (°C)



- Paraffins do not react
- Oligomerization reactions
 - Dimers, trimers, tetramers
- Oligomer distribution depends on feed & severity
- High conversion
- Mild operating conditions
- Long catalyst life

One Concept – Several Applications

Axens Oligomerization Offer coupled with FCC: FlexEne™ solution



Flexible Alkene Oligomerization and Recycle

FlexEne™ Light Olefin Processing Route

Step 1

- Light olefins are transformed into C8 & C12 olefins (oligomers) in the Oligomerization Unit

Step 2

- Oligomers are highly reactive and crack selectively toward propylene and butenes in the FCC

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Advantages of FlexEne™

- FlexEne™ can be fed with any olefinic material, from FCC or other sources
- More efficient than direct LCN recycle to FCC
- Ability to cope with market changes
- Example of improvement in propylene production
 - C4 feed (Polynaphtha™ oligomerization unit): +2.5 wt% in C3=
 - C5/C6 feed (PolyFuel™ oligomerization unit): +2 wt% in C3=

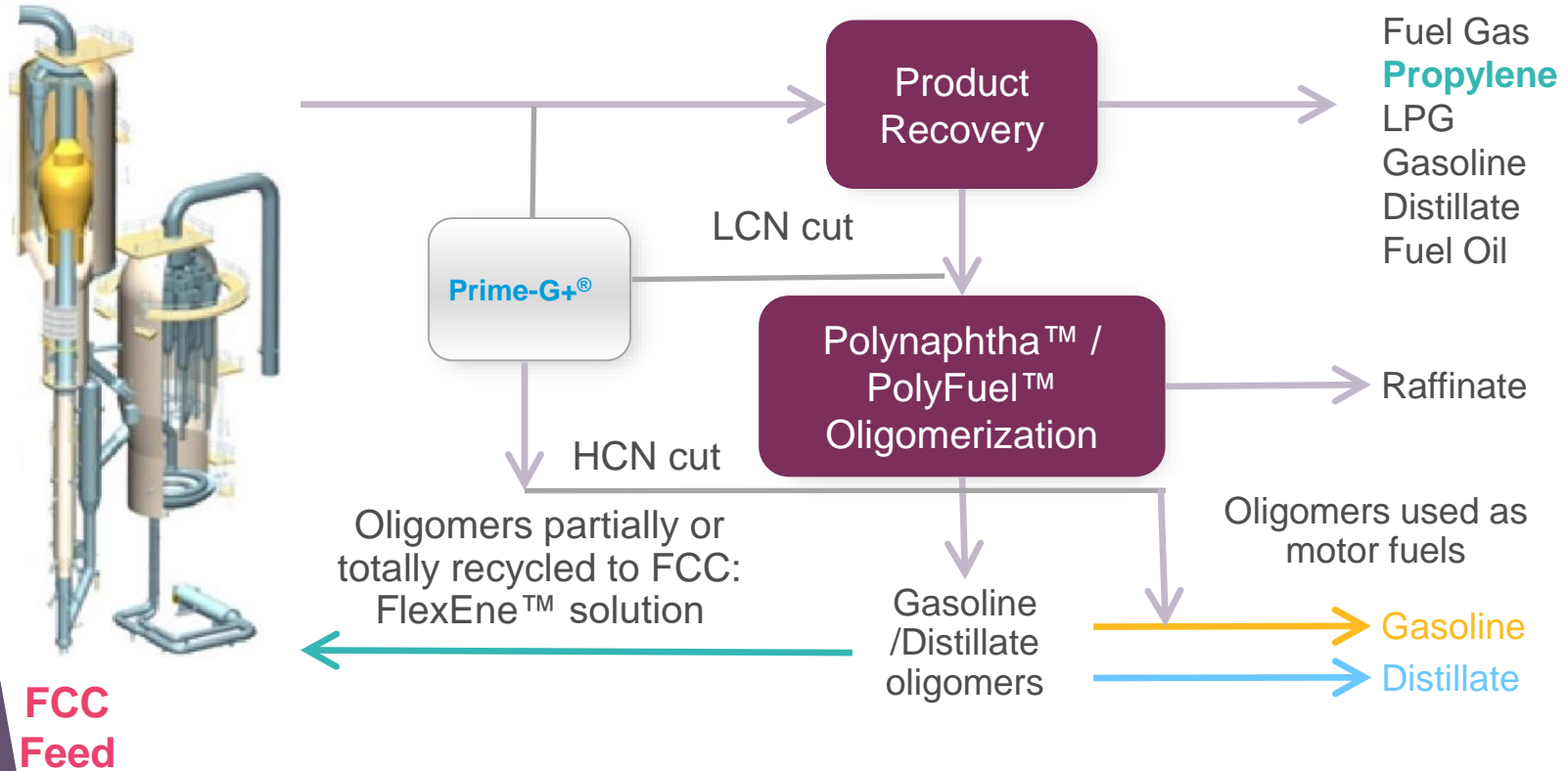
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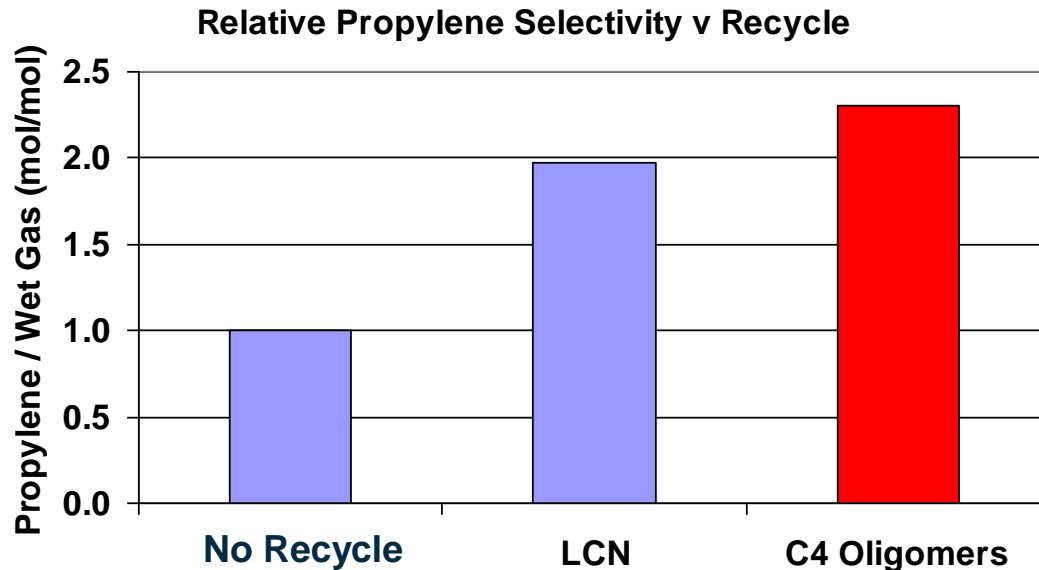
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Integration of Proven Technologies: FlexEne™

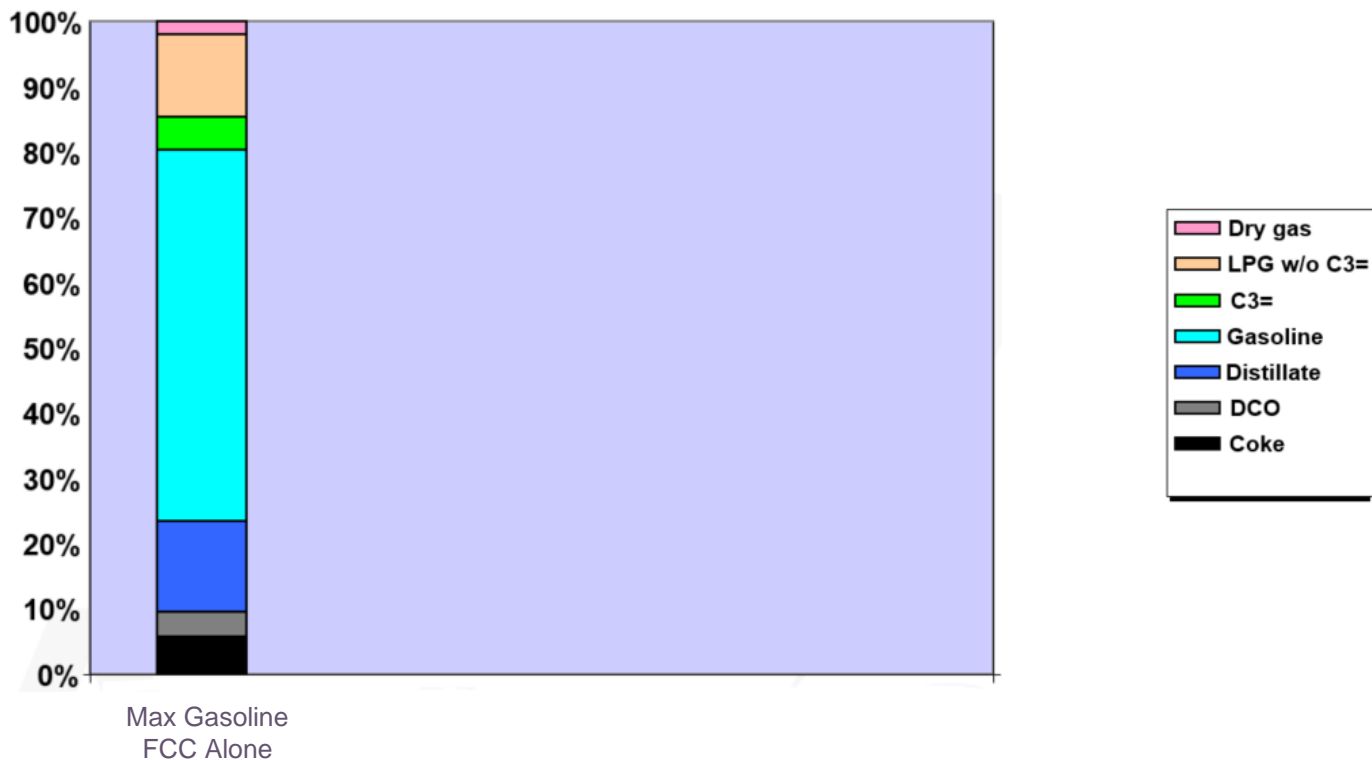


High Selectivity for Light Olefins



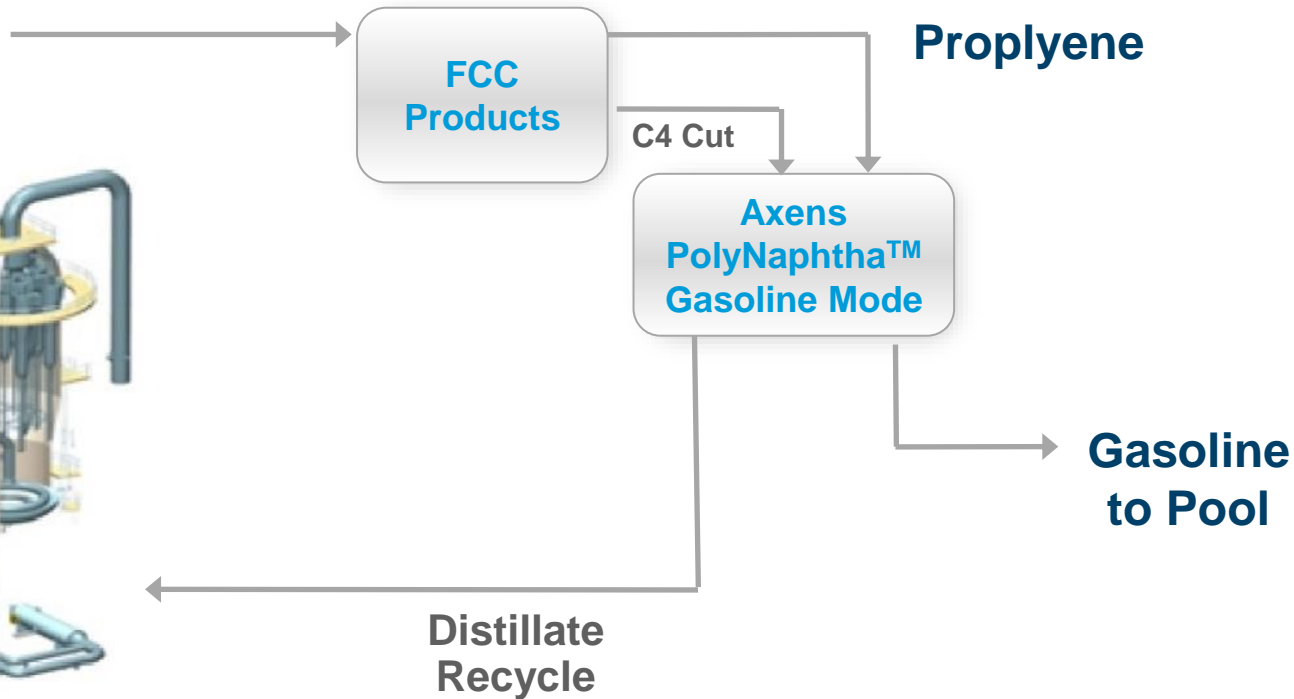
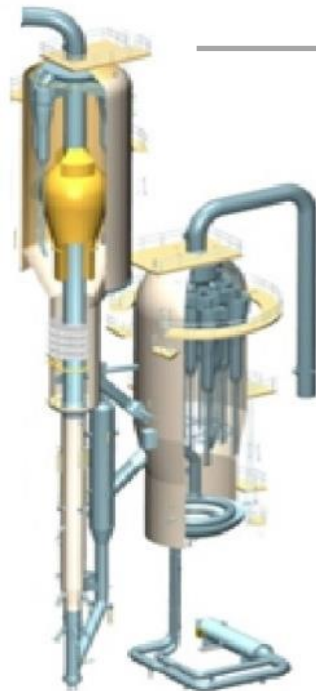
- Oligomer cracking is more selective with lower impact on Wet Gas Compressor
- Less gas and aromatic formation for higher ultimate propylene yield when recycled to extinction

FlexEne™ Case Study with C3/C4 Recycle

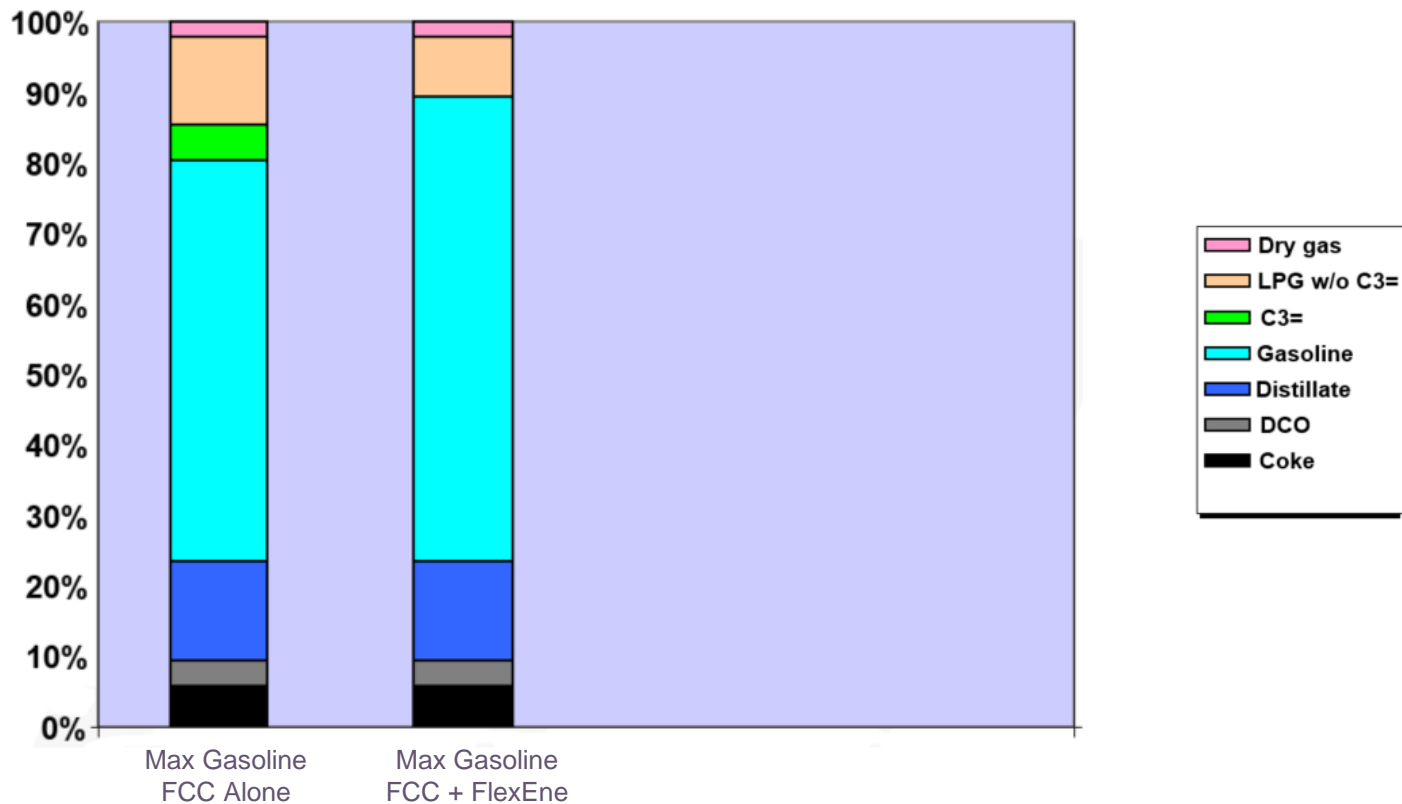


Product Flexibility – Gasoline Case

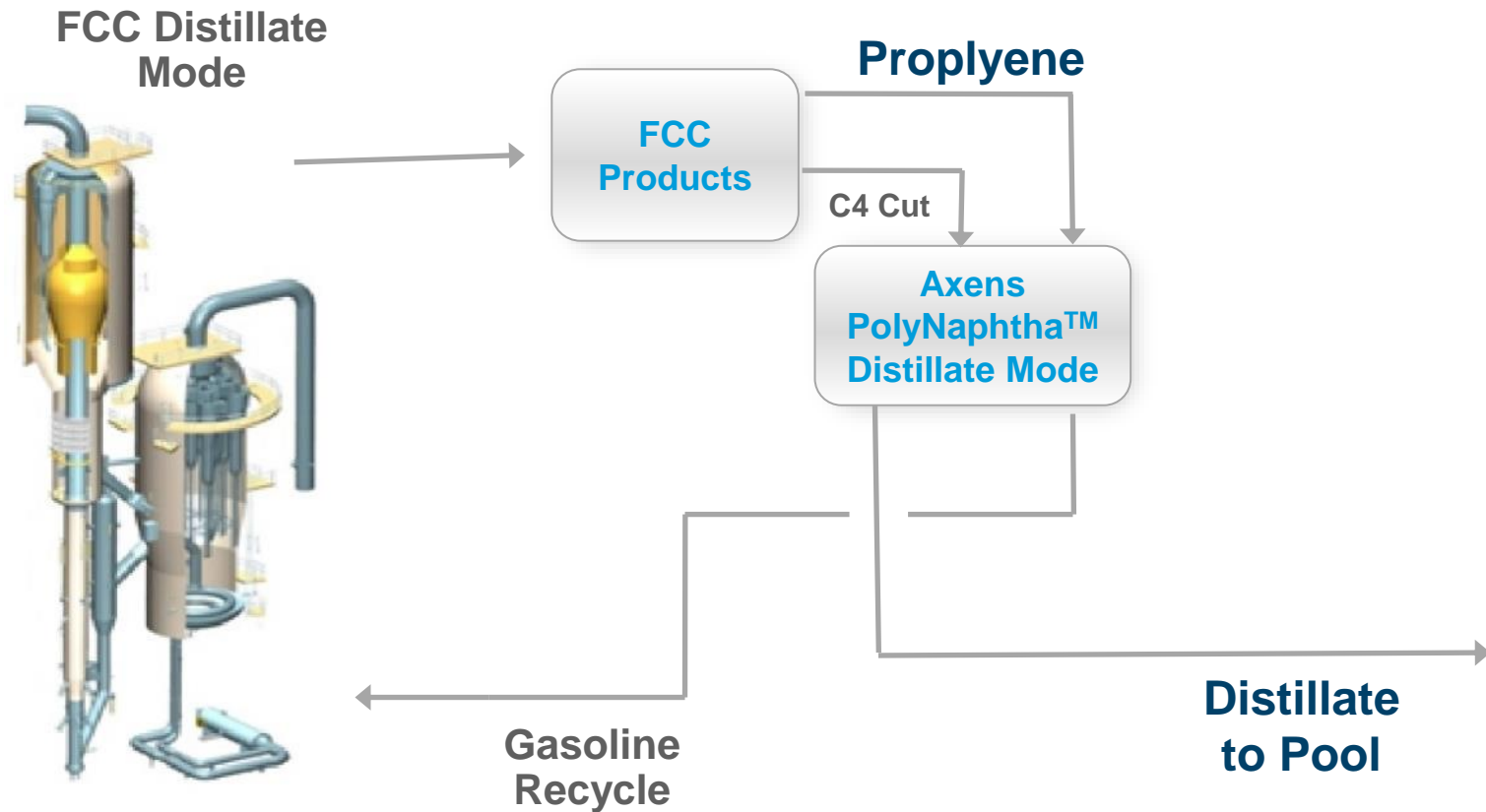
FCC
Gasoline Mode



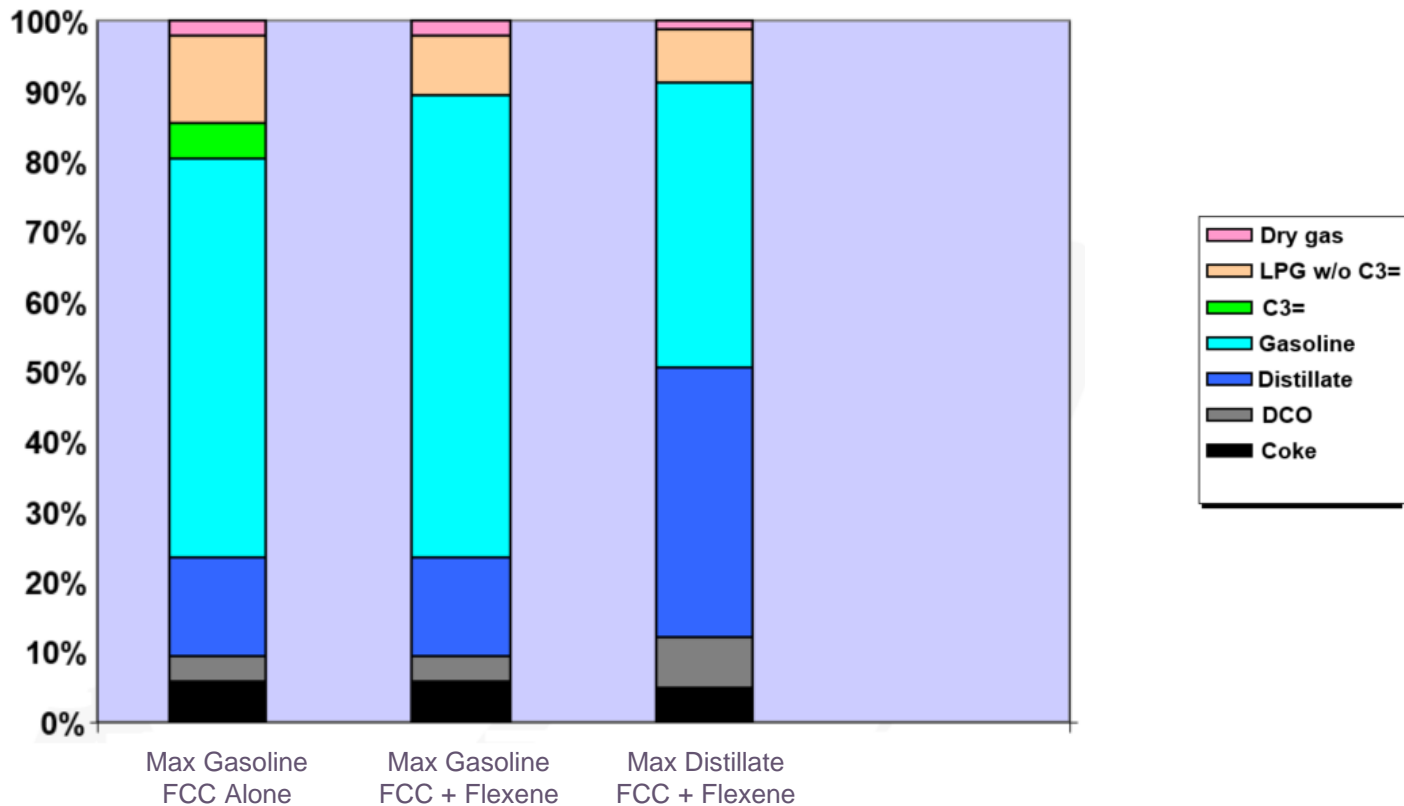
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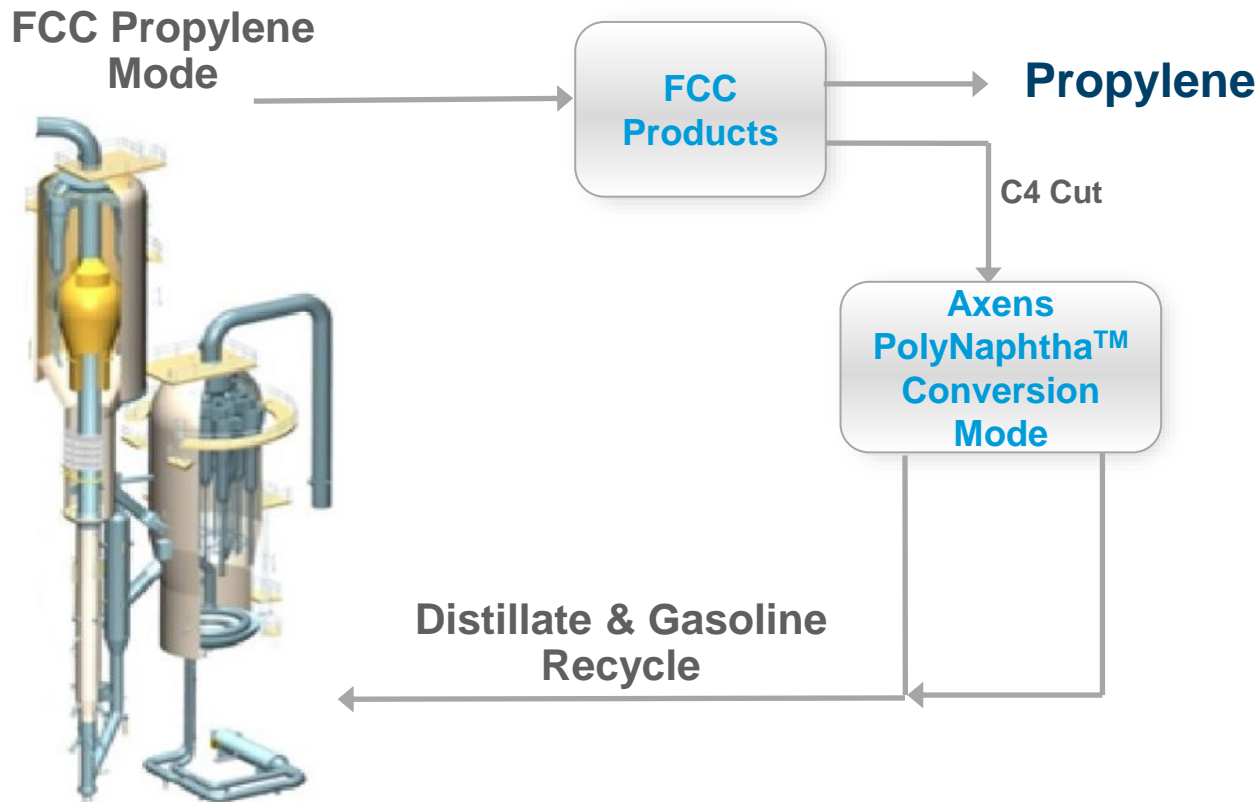
Product Flexibility – Distillate Case



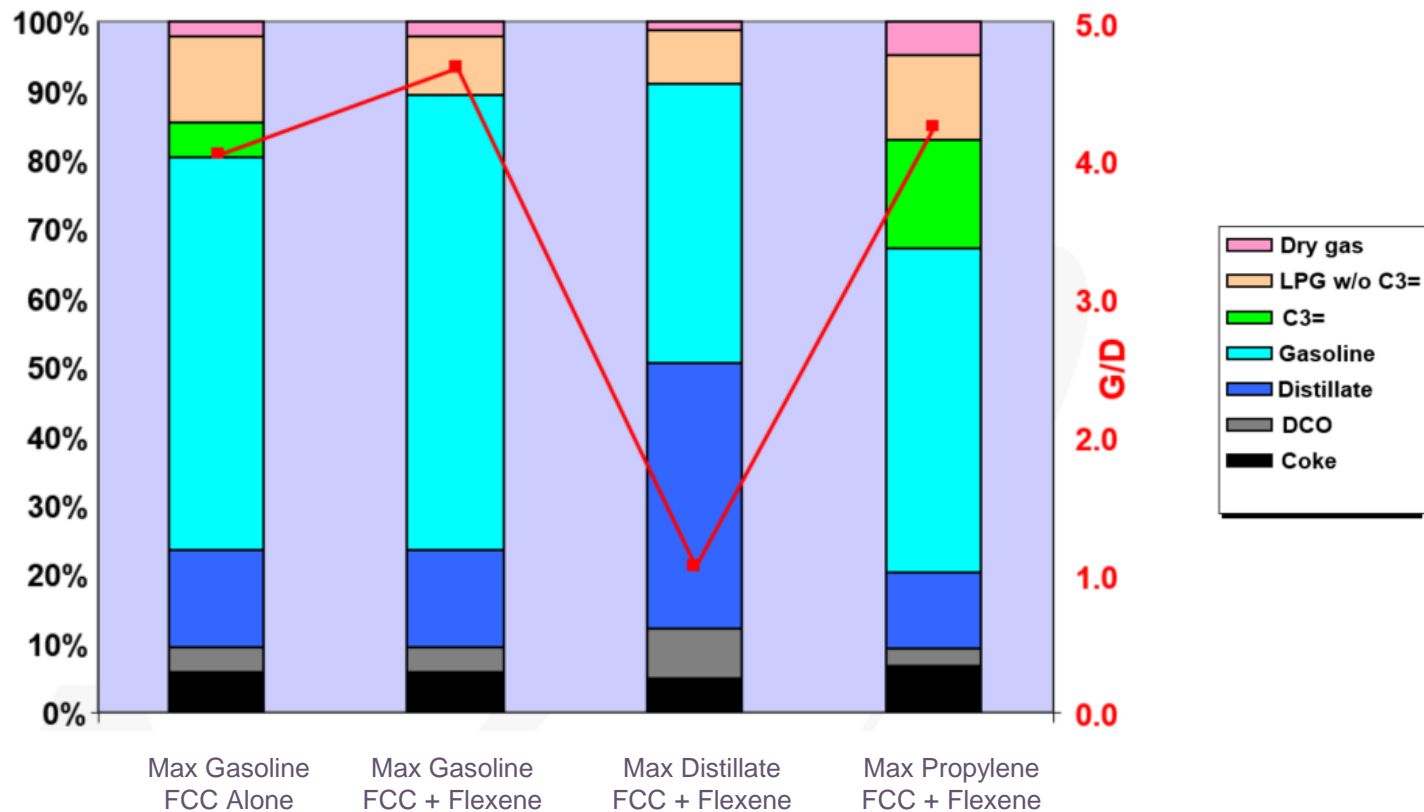
Product Flexibility – Distillate Case



Product Flexibility – Propylene Case



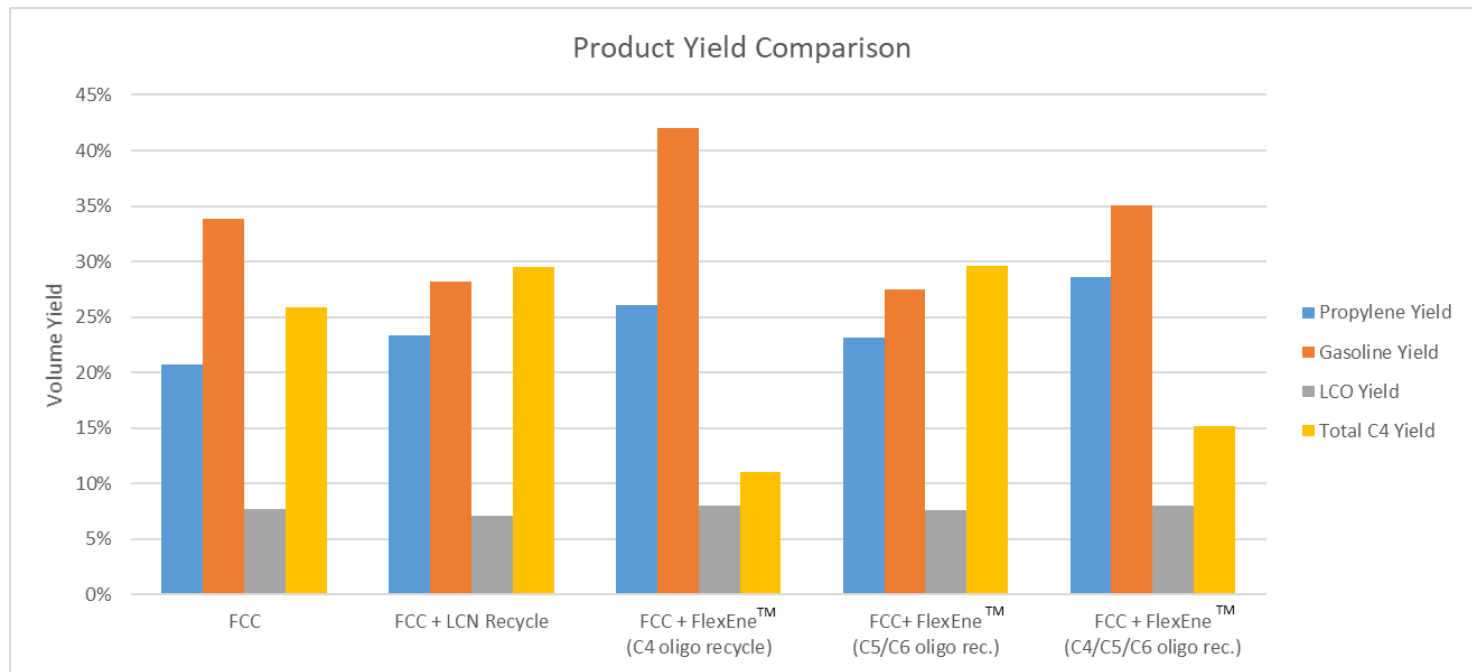
Product Flexibility – Propylene Case



Impact of Oligomer recycle on FCC

- FCC operating conditions will change based on the selected FlexEne™ mode
 - Max Distillate Mode : 940°F
 - Max Gasoline Mode : 977°F
 - Max Propylene Mode : 1005°F-°F1020
- Additional capacity recycle should be evaluated for potential bottlenecks
 - Impact of Wet Gas Compressor is minimized thanks to high oligomer cracking efficiency
- Oligomers are highly olefinic and easier to crack
 - Increased energy demand in FCC is minimized

Case Study: FCC Product Comparison



- FCC processing VGO feed with propylene as target product.
 - Client also wanted to produce high quality gasoline.

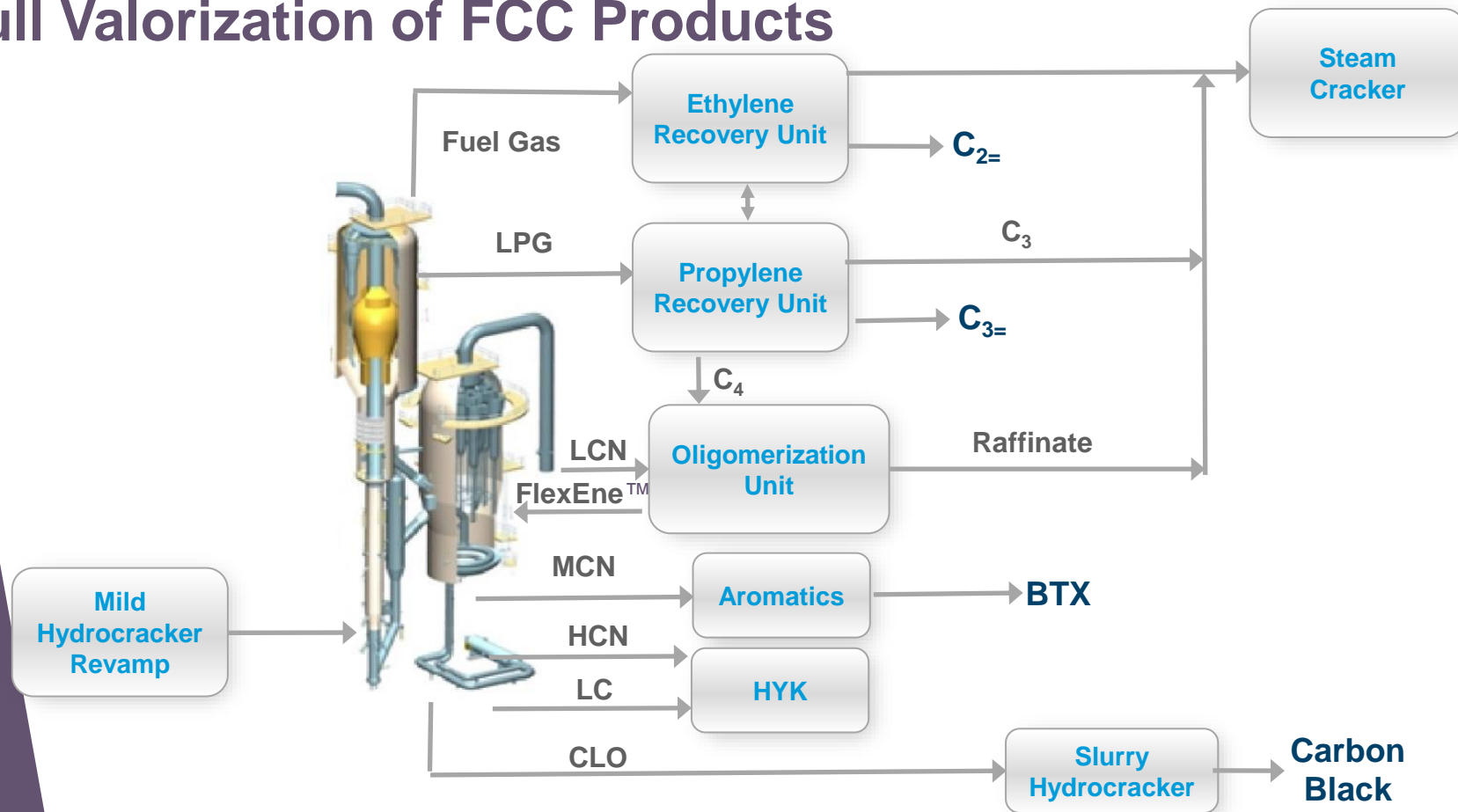
FCC Product Comparison

- Increased flexibility through implementation of FlexEne™ solution
- Propylene yield maximized by recycling C4/C5/C6 oligomers
- For all FlexEne™ cases, required recycle flow is less than LCN recycle.
 - Reducing recycle flow reduces impact on FCC.

Conclusions

- Changing market demands require shift in reorienting FCC products
- Ever changing demands require high flexibility with the ability to change products on the fly
- Taking advantage of the oligomerization technology, FlexEne™ is able to shift olefinic feeds towards high quality gasoline, distillates, or propylene to meet market demand

Full Valorization of FCC Products



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Description

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APC Engineers, Short Term Planners

Participants

- Catherine Bohanon, PE, Phillips 66
- Yangdong Pan, PhD, Phillips 66

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Participants

- Members of AFPM’s FCC Group

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