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Designing of lab-scaled system for green hydrogen production based on AEM water electrolysis

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# **Problem & objectives**

- Enable inexpensive production of large amounts of hydrogen
- Use of non-noble metal electrocatalysts
- More efficient hydrogen production

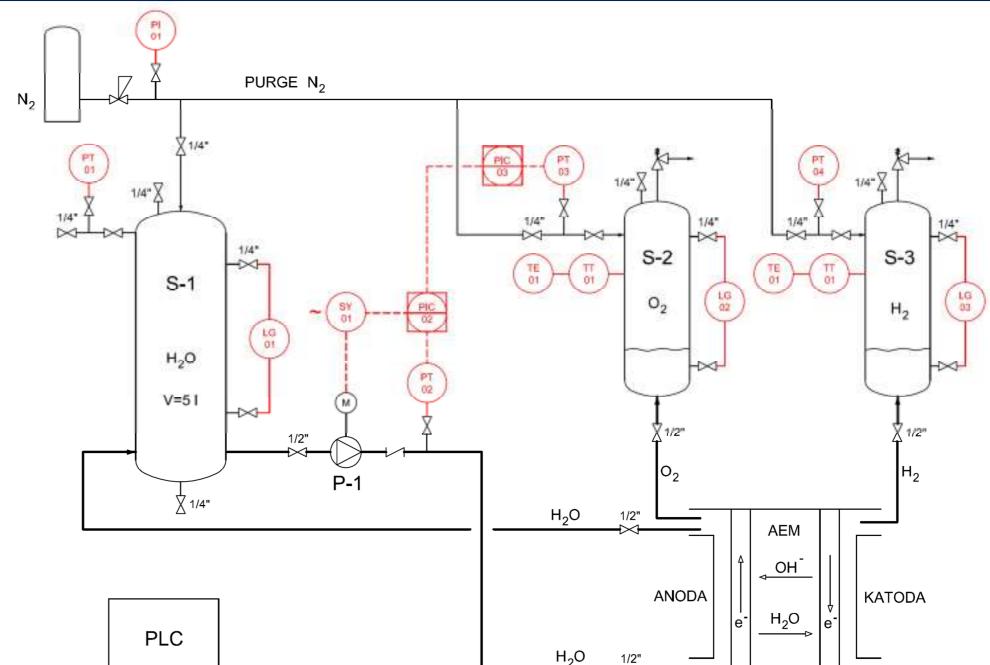


### **Strategy and methods**

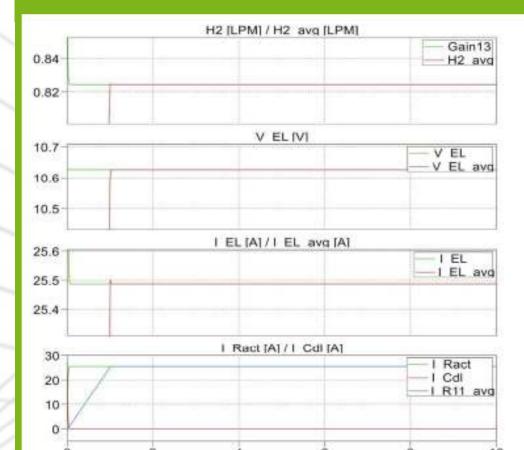
- Designing of the lab-scaled AEM water electrolysis system
- Modulation of DC power source signal using pulse-width modulation (PWM) technique
- Combining the width of the square-shaped formed signal, frequency and other operating parameters

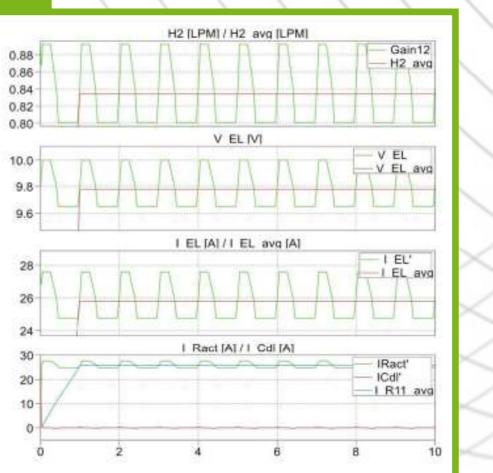
# AEM lab system

AEM



### DC vs PWM





(b)

# CONCLUSION

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- An AEM electrolysis solution combines the benefits of PEM and alkaline systems by allowing the use of non-noble catalysts while achieving energy densities and efficiencies comparable to PEM technology.
- The application of pulses is a promising method to enhance the efficiency of water electrolysis
- Through optimal lab design additional production efficiency can be achieved
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PWM