

Theory and Practice of Forward and Reverse Synergy

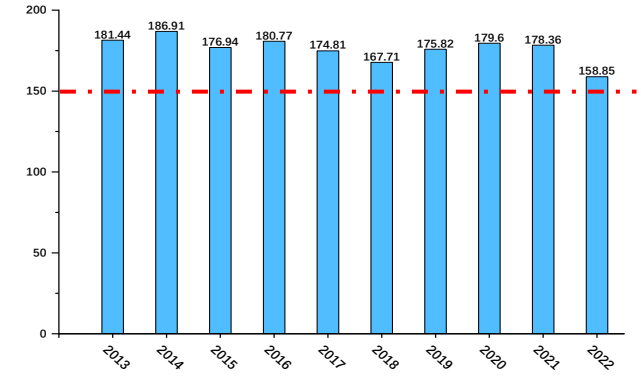
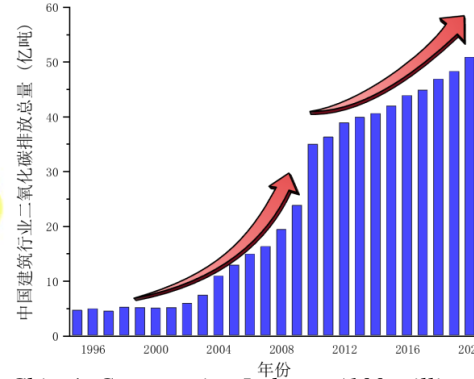
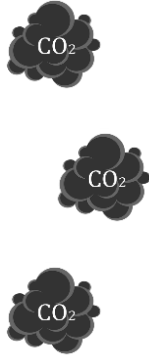
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2. Why forward and reverse synergy in recycling
3. How to synergise
4. Case study
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The current situation



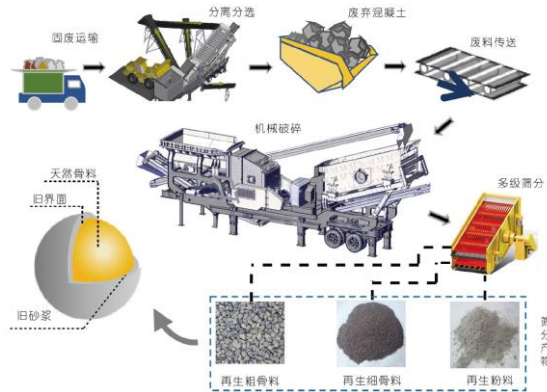
“Carbon Neutral” and “Carbon Peak”



China's construction industry emits a large amount of carbon.



Huge demand for sand and gravel.



Recycling process of concrete[1]



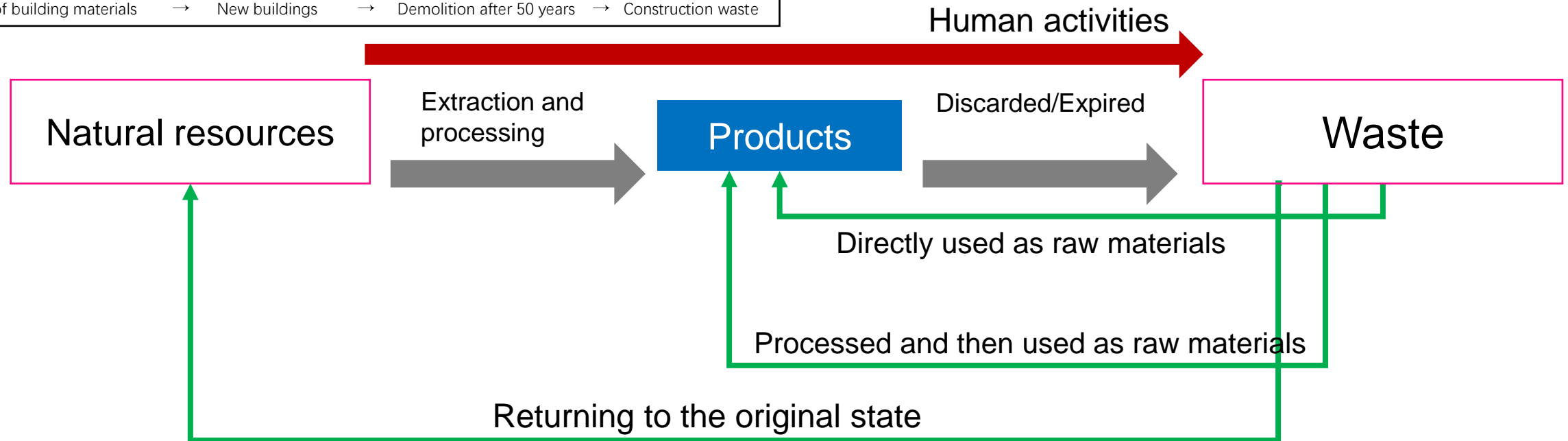
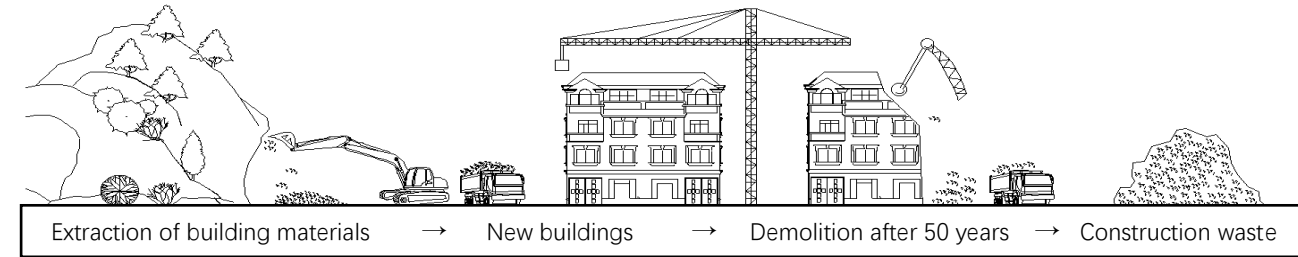
Piles of construction waste



Huge impact on the environment.

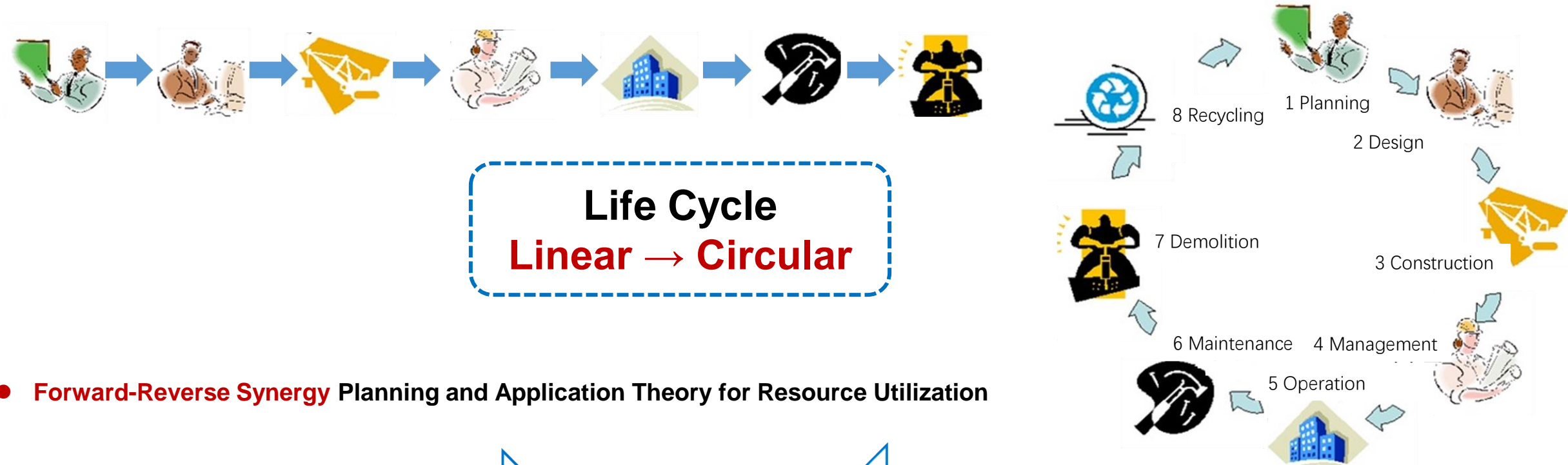
- China's construction solid waste volumes are enormous, and the issue of resource utilization has drawn significant attention.
- **Reduction, reuse, and recycling of construction waste** are currently the major trends in low-carbon sustainable development in the construction industry.

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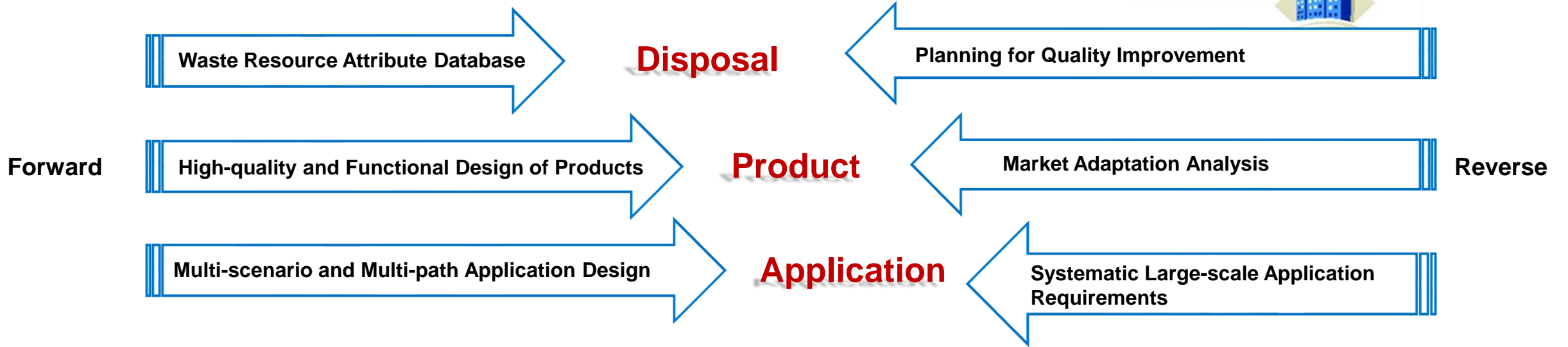


In the traditional construction industry development model, most construction waste is directly disposed of into nature.

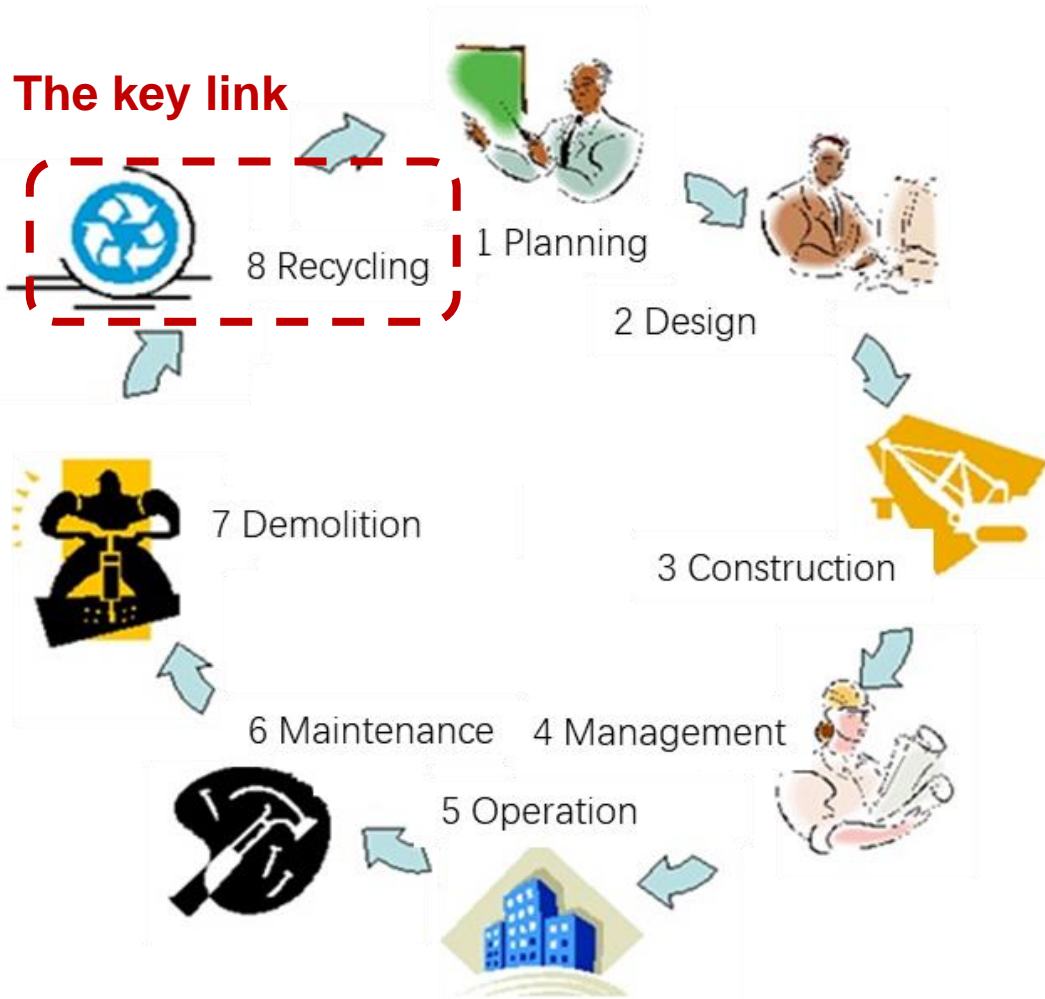
Background



- **Forward-Reverse Synergy** Planning and Application Theory for Resource Utilization

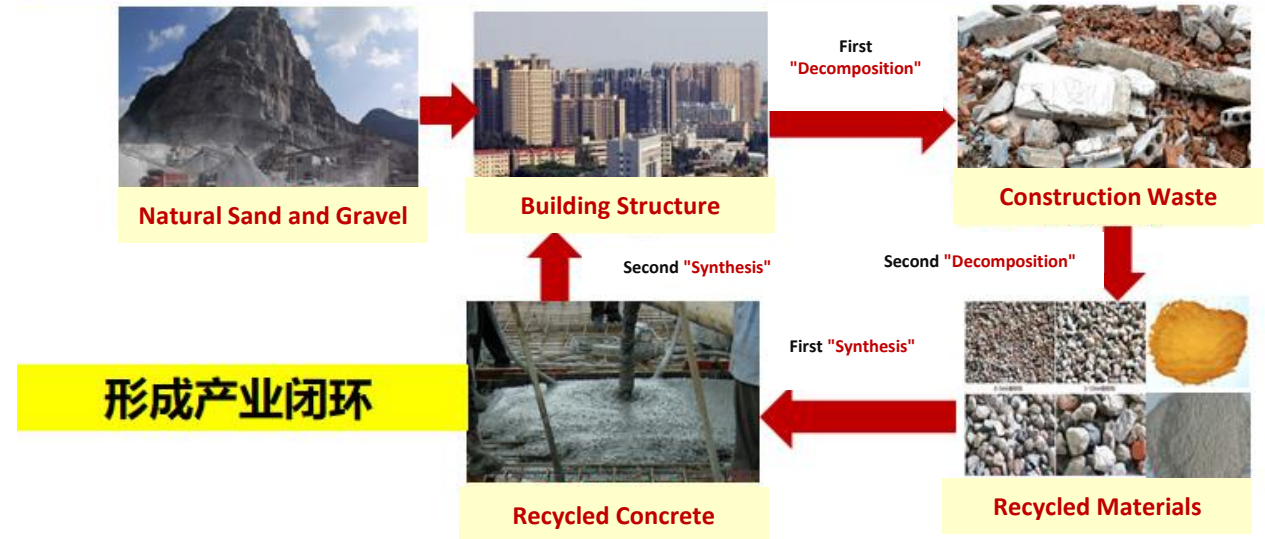


Background



The whole process of the construction industry

The construction waste is decomposed and synthesised multiple times, with recycled products being used as new green building materials.



- The recycling of construction waste contributes to the closed-loop development of the entire construction industry supply chain.

Background

图片来源：项目组实地拍摄



Dujiangyan post-earthquake construction waste treatment plant

The State Council and the Development and Reform Commission have issued documents:

国务院办公厅关于印发
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各省、自治区、直辖市人民政府，国务院各部委、
各直属机构：
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“无废城市”建设

“无废城市”是以创新、协调、绿色、开放、
绿色发展方式和生活方式，持续推进固体废物源
量，将固体废物环境影响降至最低的城市发展模
式，也不意味着固体废物能完全资源化利用，而
是整个城市固体废物产生量最小、资源化利用充分、
处置得当的城市。要通过“无废城市”建设试点，统筹经
济发展、资源利用和无害化处置，坚决遏制非
法倾倒、露天堆放、随意填埋等违法违规行为，总
结试点经验，形成可复制、可推广的建设模式，
制定本方案。

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www.gov.cn
国务院
By 2030, 55% of construction
solid waste should be
resourced

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国家发展改革委关于印发“十四

各省、自治区、直辖市人民政府，
部、水利部、农业农村部、商
政局、供销合作总社：
《“十四五”循环经济发展规划》

How to further
increase the rate of
construction solid
waste resourcing

国务院关于印发2030年前碳达峰
行动方案的通知
国发〔2021〕23号
Promote the recycling of
building materials and low-
carbon building materials.

2021.10 2030年前碳达峰行动方案

为深入贯彻落实党中央、国务院关于碳达峰、碳中和的重大战略决策，扎实推进碳达峰
行动，制定本方案。

一、总体要求

（一）指导思想。以习近平新时代中国特色社会主义思想为指导，全面贯彻党的十九大
和十九届二中、三中、四中、五中全会精神，深入贯彻习近平生态文明思想，立足新发展阶
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排、整体和局部、短期和中长期的关系，统筹稳增长和调结构，把碳达峰、碳中和纳入经济
社会发展全局，坚持“全国统筹、节约优先、双轮驱动、内外畅通、防范风险”的总方针，
有力有序有效做好碳达峰工作，明确各地区、各领域、各行业目标任务，加快实
现生产生活方式绿色变革，推动经济社会发展建立在资源高效利用和绿色低碳发展的基础之
上，确保如期实现碳达峰、碳中和目标。

Disposal of
waste in
earthquake-
affected areas

Sustainable
construction
in the
countryside

Solid Waste
Resource
Utilisation

How to further
increase the rate of
construction solid
waste resourcing



■ The increasing importance of solid waste resource utilisation to achieve sustainable development in cities and towns.

Background

- Demonstration applications landed and opened up the industry chain
- By 2020, the comprehensive utilisation rate of construction waste has reached 50% (NDRC's 14th 5-Year Plan for Circular Economy).



Background

Application Examples of Recycled Concrete



**Tongji Road
2004**



**Fudan Road
2007**



**World Expo, 3 floors
2010**



**Yangzhou, 5 floors
2014**



**Sichuan post-earthquake
reconstruction, 2008**



**Shanghai, 12 floors,
2016**



**Jinan, 5-floor large-span
framework, 2020 (with a
100% replacement rate)**



**310m
Pumping**



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Ministry of Science and Technology projects related to 'solid waste'

□ Major project

- ✓ 21 projects under the National Key Research and Development Program for "Green Buildings and Industrialized Construction" have been announced.
- ✓ 47 projects under the National Key Research and Development Program for "Solid Waste Utilization" in 2019 have been announced, mainly covering construction waste, industrial solid waste, and hazardous waste.

■ 13th Five-Year Plan: "Green Buildings and Industrialized Construction" Key Projects

- ✓ Research and application of key technologies for green building materials through the collaborative utilization of solid waste.
- ✓ Research and application of key technologies for green building materials from industrial and urban solid waste.
- ✓ Research and application of key technologies for the efficient utilization of the entire construction waste industry chain.

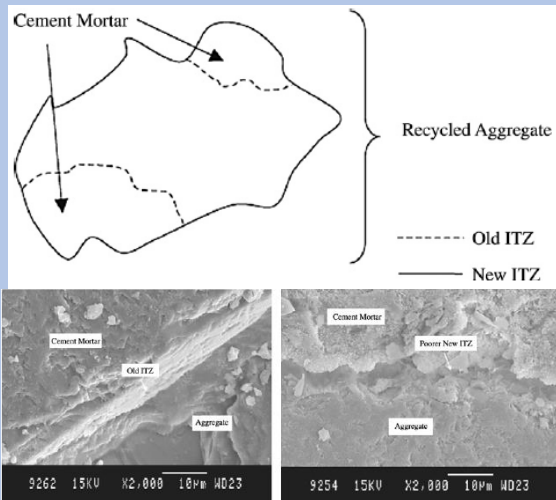
■ 13th Five-Year Plan: "Solid Waste Utilization" Special Projects

- ✓ Key technologies for large-scale, high-value mineral materials from low-grade solid waste.
- ✓ Scientific basis for the reconstruction and conversion of aluminosilicate inorganic solid waste.
- ✓ Intelligent fine sorting and upgrading technologies for urban construction waste.
- ✓ Low-cost cementitious materials from industrial solid waste and related application technologies.
- ✓ Prefabricated component technology for industrial solid waste.
- ✓ Complete set of large-scale utilization technologies and integrated demonstration for solid waste at coal power bases.
- ✓ Research on key technologies for multi-path applications of recycled concrete sand and powder.

Developments in construction solid waste resourcing

2006 "11th 5-Year Plan" 2010

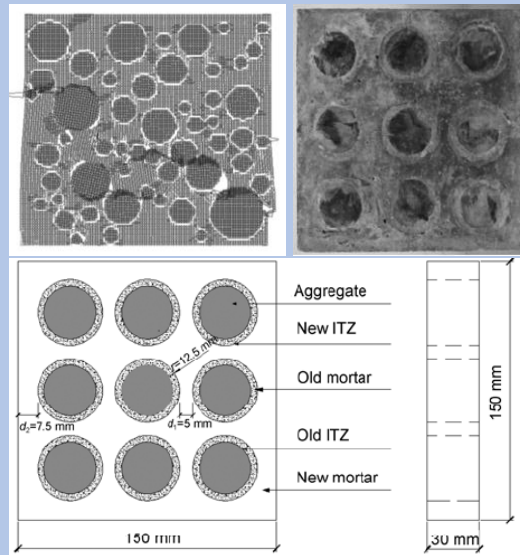
- Demonstration of earthquake-stricken area construction waste recycling and seismic energy-saving housing construction technology.



XiaoJianzhuang, An overview of study on recycled aggregate concrete in China (1996-2011)

2011 "12th 5-Year Plan" 2015

- Research and demonstration of key technologies for green construction in building engineering.
- Research and demonstration of key technologies for rural housing in villages.



XiaoJianzhuang, Recent studies on mechanical properties of recycled aggregate concrete in China—A review

2016 "13th 5-Year Plan" 2020

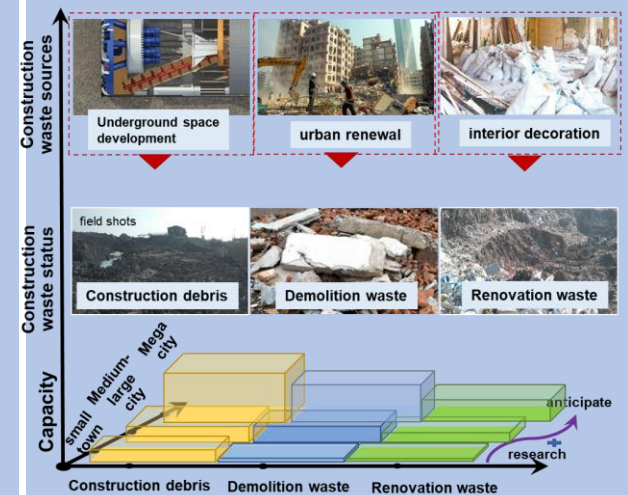
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- Intelligent fine sorting and upgrading technologies for urban construction waste.
- Key technologies for multi-path applications of recycled concrete sand and powder.



Demonstration and Application of Recycled Concrete in High-Rise Structures

2021 "14th 5-Year Plan" present

- Research and demonstration of key technologies for the systematic large-scale application of urban construction waste.
- Research and Application of Key Technologies for Building Demolition and Sustainable Disposal



**Waste Disposal
Resourceisation**

**Green Construction
High Performance**

**0 waste city
Refinement**

**Sustainable
Development
Systematization**

About the construction solid waste project

- **Research and application of key technologies for efficient utilization of the entire construction waste recycling industry chain.**
- ✓ The project follows the principles of reduction, harmlessness, and recycling, integrating key aspects of the entire construction waste recycling industry chain. It aims to address critical issues related to the generation, classification, recycling, and application of construction waste. The project will develop materials, products, processes, equipment, technologies, and standards suited for urbanization, aligned with industrialized construction, and conducive to large-scale use.
- ✓ Key areas of research and development include breakthroughs in: "lifecycle-based construction waste reduction and classification technologies," "modular processes and equipment for recycled aggregate crushing, sorting, and quality enhancement," "prefabricated recycled concrete components and structural application technologies," "preparation and application technologies for high-quality decorative, structural, and functional recycled concrete products," "preparation and application of permeable materials based on sponge city principles," and "integrated technologies for recycling soil-based construction waste."
- ✓ The project also aims to solve challenges like establishing a unified theoretical framework for the design of "recycled block concrete" and "recycled mixed concrete."

About the construction solid waste project

■ Intelligent fine sorting and upgrading technologies for urban construction waste.

- ✓ For urban construction waste, the project aims to develop AI-based sorting technology and complete equipment sets. It will research targeted pre-treatment classification technologies, upgrade recycling techniques and products, and create an integrated solution combining research, engineering demonstration, industry promotion, and policy support for urban construction waste recycling, with a focus on demonstration projects.
- ✓ The project will develop 2-3 AI-based sorting technology systems and equipment sets for urban construction waste, with a 100% localization rate for core equipment. The system will have intelligent learning capabilities, with a waste recognition accuracy of over 95%, a brick/concrete sorting rate of over 85%, and an organic/inorganic material sorting rate of over 85%. Treatment costs will be reduced by more than 20%. Additionally, the project will create 3-5 new products for large-scale waste recycling. Two or three green demonstration projects for recycling construction waste on a scale of 100,000 tons/year will be established, meeting the requirements of the "Green Factory Evaluation Guidelines" (GB/T 36132-2018). An integrated solution for urban construction waste recycling, covering research, engineering demonstration, industry promotion, and policy support, will be proposed, with 2-3 demonstration bases established in different regions of China. The project will build a technical patent and standards system (applying for more than 10 invention patents and developing over 3 standards or specifications) and establish an innovative commercialization model.

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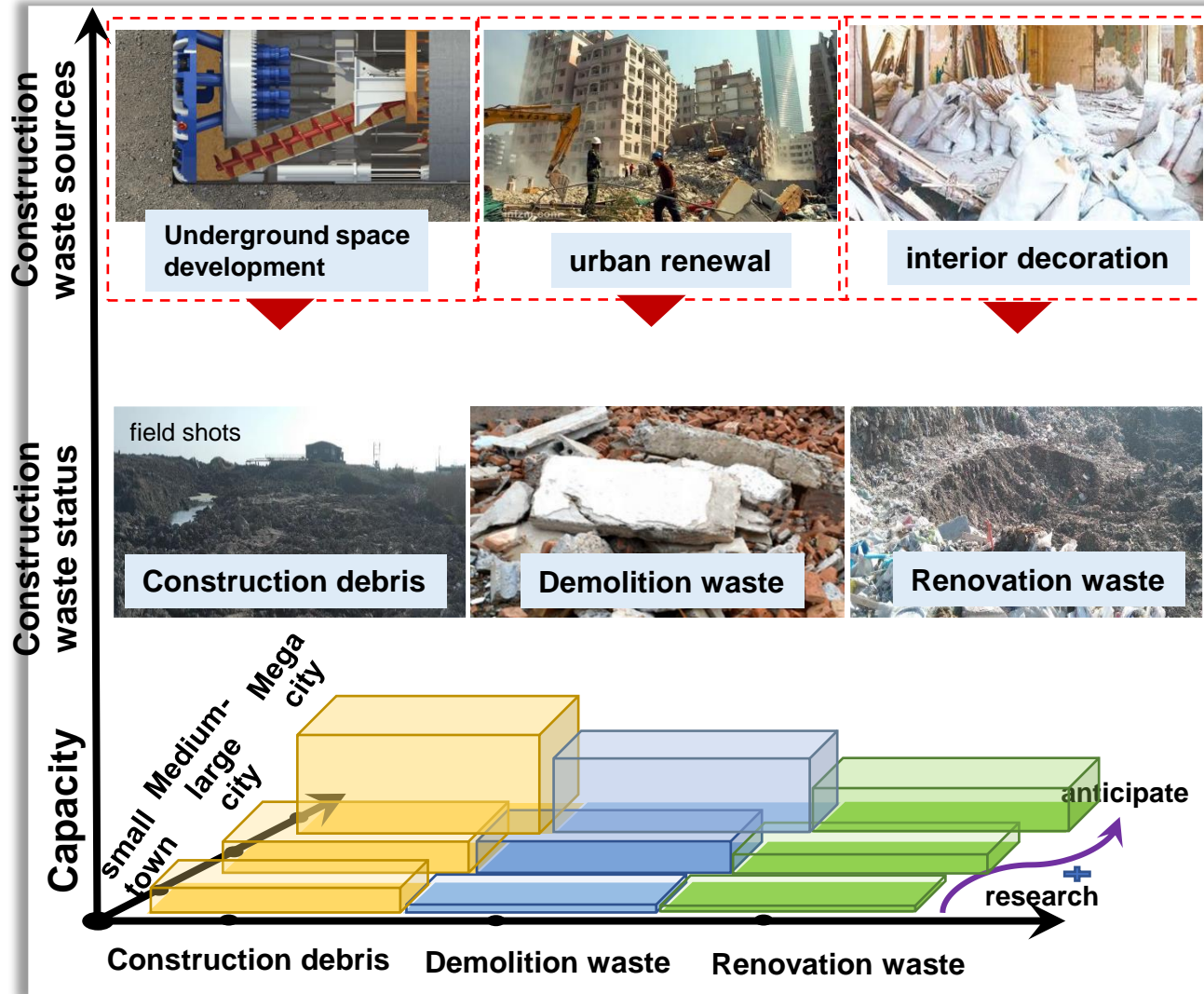
■ Key technologies for multi-path applications of recycled concrete sand and powder.

- ✓ To address the issue of low activity and difficult utilization of recycled sand powder produced during the crushing and sorting of waste concrete, research will focus on efficient crushing, grinding, and modification technologies for recycled sand powder. The project will also explore combined physical-chemical solubilization activation and targeted gradation optimization technologies. It aims to develop technologies for producing various types of recycled mortars and concrete materials from recycled sand powder, as well as technologies for high-quality utilization of recycled brick-concrete aggregate and sand powder. Furthermore, it will investigate integrated technologies for the full-cycle design, construction, and acceptance of recycled mortars and concrete, and develop comprehensive sustainability assessment methods. Engineering demonstrations will also be conducted.
- ✓ The project will establish complete sets of technologies for producing recycled mortars and concrete from waste concrete sand powder, solving technical bottlenecks such as low activity of recycled micro-powder and poor gradation of recycled sand. This will enable the cost-effective utilization of waste concrete sand powder, doubling the resource utilization rate. Specifically, the project will develop one set of equipment for processing recycled sand powder and create more than two types of specialized functional additives. The 28-day activity index of the recycled micro-powder will exceed 75%. In recycled mortar, recycled sand will account for at least 85% of fine aggregates, with a compressive strength of no less than 15 MPa and a water retention rate of over 90%. In recycled concrete, recycled sand will account for at least 30% of fine aggregates, and the combined replacement rate of recycled powder, sand, and coarse aggregate will be no less than 50%, with a compressive strength of no less than 40 MPa. The project will develop 2-3 comprehensive utilization and evaluation methods for waste concrete sand powder.

Additionally, 1-2 demonstration production lines for recycled mortar and recycled concrete using waste concrete sand powder will be established, with an annual output of at least 300,000 tons of recycled mortar and 400,000 cubic meters of recycled concrete per production line. Production costs will be reduced by over 40%. The project will also establish a system of patents and standards covering the research content (applying for more than 10 invention patents and drafting more than 3 national, industry, or group standards for review). Finally, an innovative commercialization model will be created.

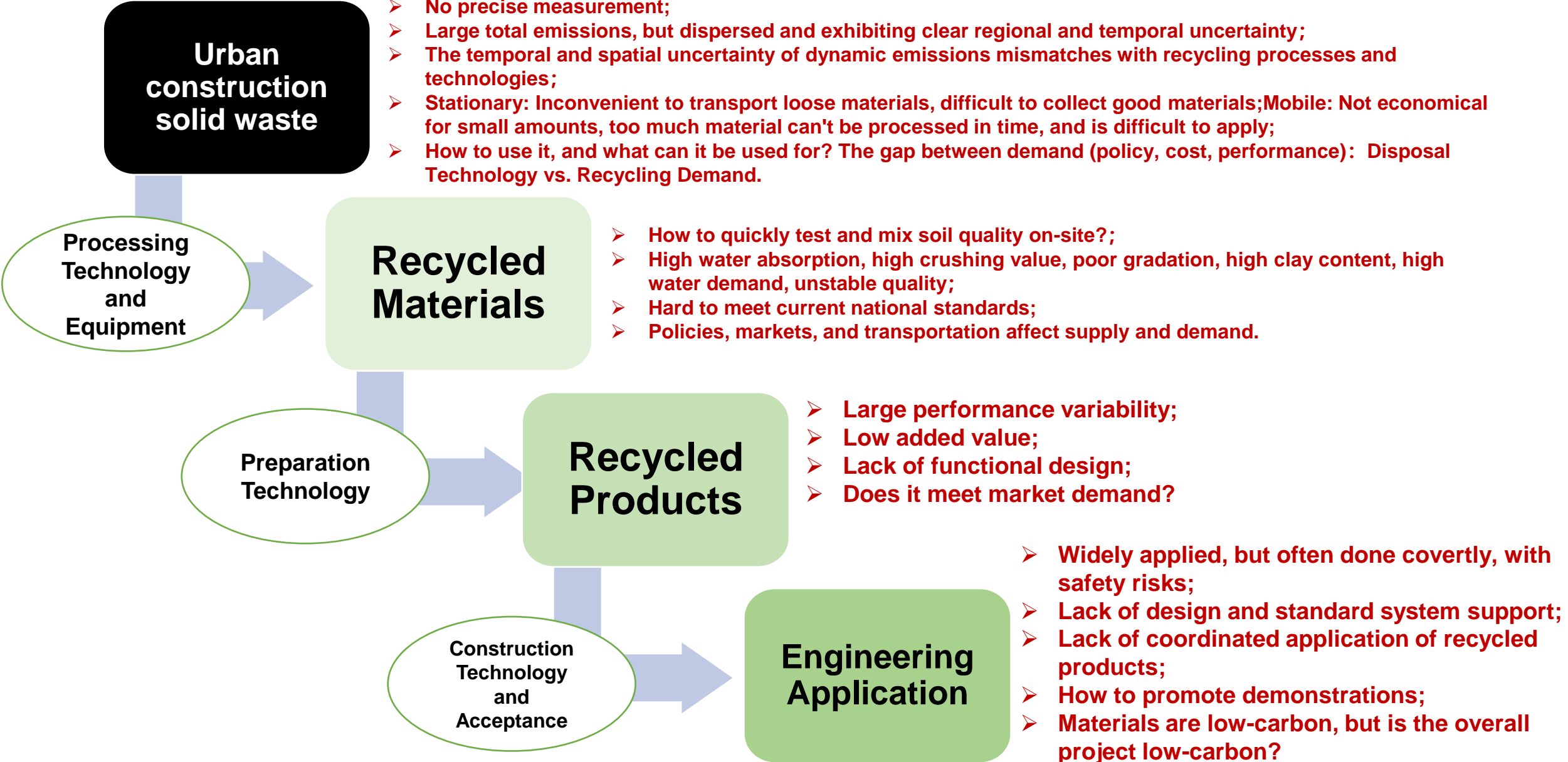
China's Construction Solid Waste Status Issues

scattered distribution, mixed composition and large geographical differences



Urban Construction Waste	Engineering Spoil	Demolition Waste	Renovation Waste
Main Components	Clay, sandy soil, silt, sand and gravel	Brick, tile, steel reinforcement, lightweight materials	Brick, tile, plaster blocks, lightweight materials, ash, glass, discarded household items, etc.
Regional Variations	Composition varies greatly with depth and region, concentrated large-scale production	Mainly bricks and tiles in urban areas, concentrated large-scale production in towns	Mainly bricks and tiles in urban areas, scattered small-scale production in towns
Production Trends	Rapid increase	Gradual decrease	Steady increase
Disposal Methods	Backfilling, temporary storage and transport	On-site collaborative disposal, recycling plants, backfilling	Backfilling, transfer stations, recycling plants
Recycling Rate	Very low	Low, but improving	Extremely low

Analysis of urban construction solid waste pain points



Analysis of urban construction solid waste pain points_1

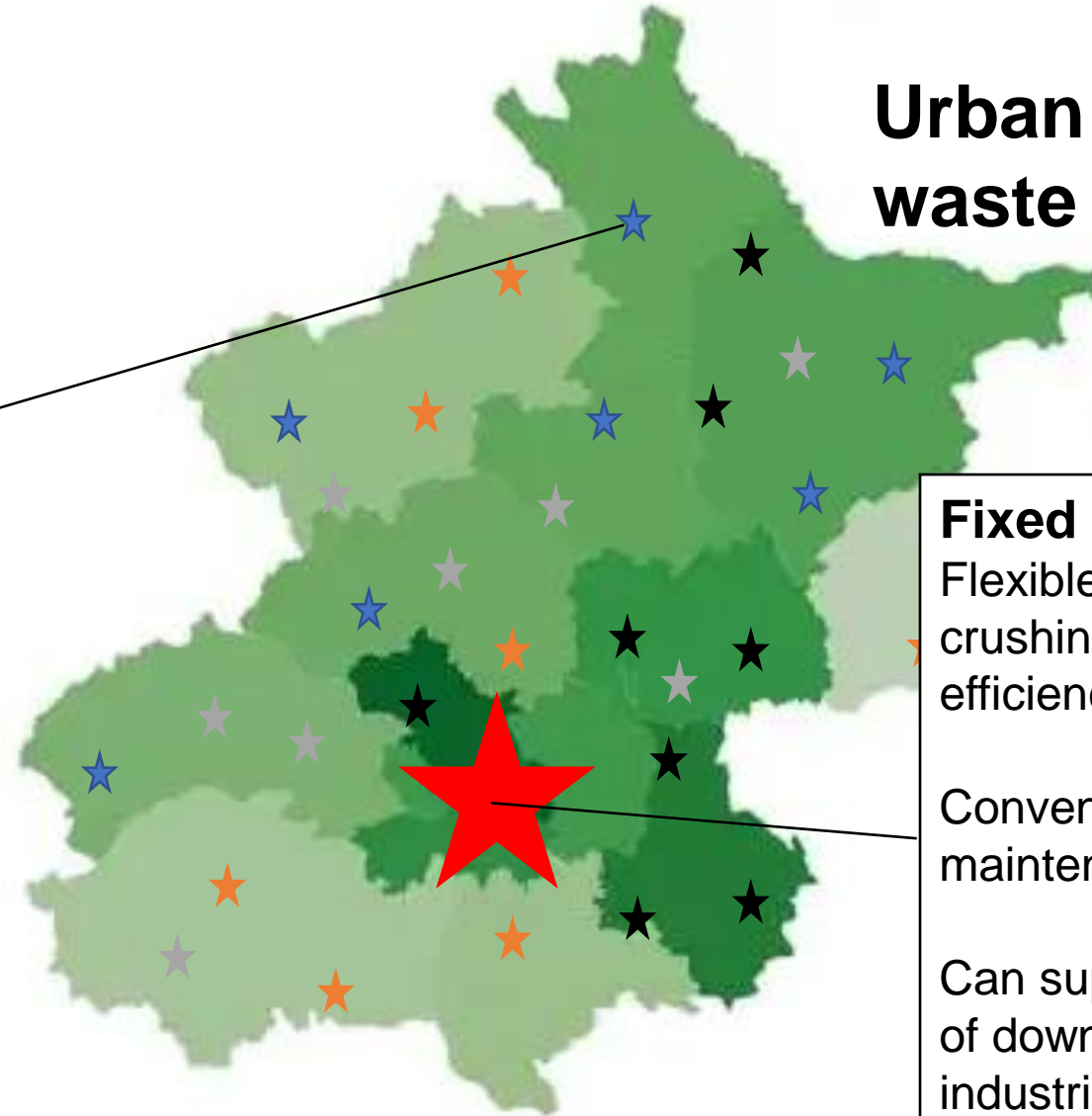
Urban construction waste

Mobile disposal sites:

Convenient and flexible, with no restrictions on production sites;

Flexibility of movement and proximity of production;

High degree of automation



Fixed disposal point:

Flexible configuration, large crushing ratio, high production efficiency, large disposal capacity;

Convenient operation and maintenance, low loss and long life;

Can support the production chain of downstream products, with industrialised production advantages

Analysis of urban construction solid waste pain points_2

- Recycled materials have large performance variability.
- High carbon emissions during recycled product production



Difficult to apply recycled products with high added value.



Urgent need for tiered utilization technologies to meet multi-scenario application requirements.

Scaled components



Inconsistent size, varied performance

How to safely reuse?

Original demolished materials



Difficult to use directly, hard to apply for high-quality use

How to directly utilize it?

Recycled materials



Large performance variability, high carbon emissions

How to fully recycle?

Analysis of urban construction solid waste pain points_3

Lack of planning design before demolition, lack of construction design after demolition



Difficulty in coordinating demolition and disposal



Implement collaborative design for demolition and reuse, and coordinate the entire process

Early stage: lack of planning



Rough demolition, resource waste



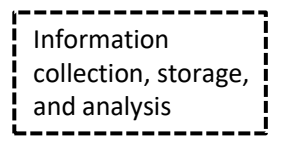
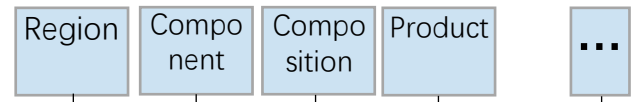
demolish **supply side**

Information mismatch, supply-demand imbalance

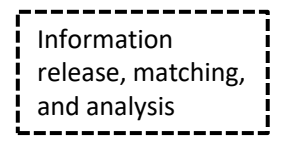


customer side utilise

Urgent need for overall planning and design coordination



Demolition component information



Application demand information



How to design for demolition?

How to design for construction?

How to achieve digital coordination management?

The necessity of forward and reverse synergy in recycling.

**Forward
Design**

Forward planning and design methods based on the recycling attributes of solid waste and utilization needs



**Solving
Problems**

(1)
Difficulty in matching
process equipment

(2)
Difficulty in applying
recycled products

(3)
Difficulty in promoting
application technologies



**Reverse
Design**

Reverse-guided design and control methods based on product performance feedback and engineering application requirements

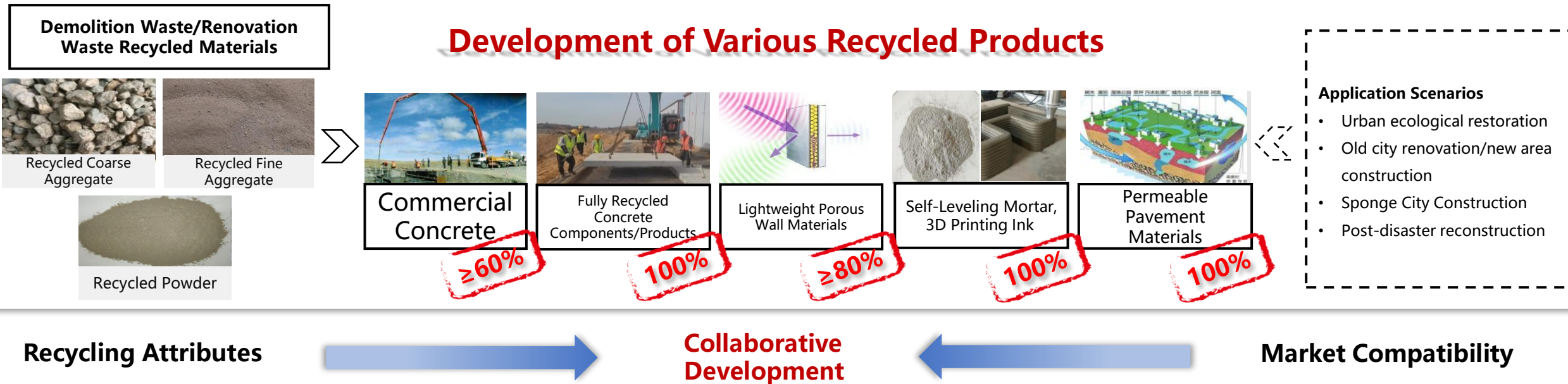
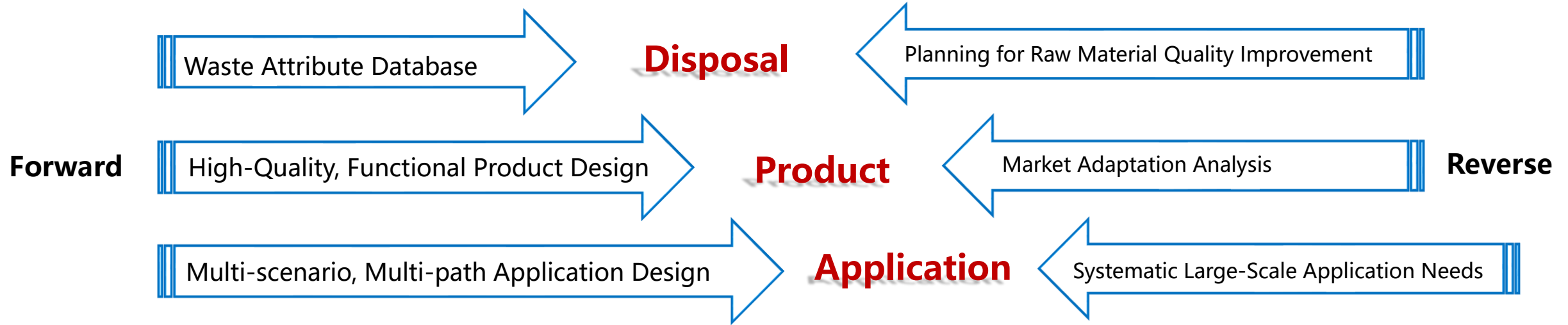


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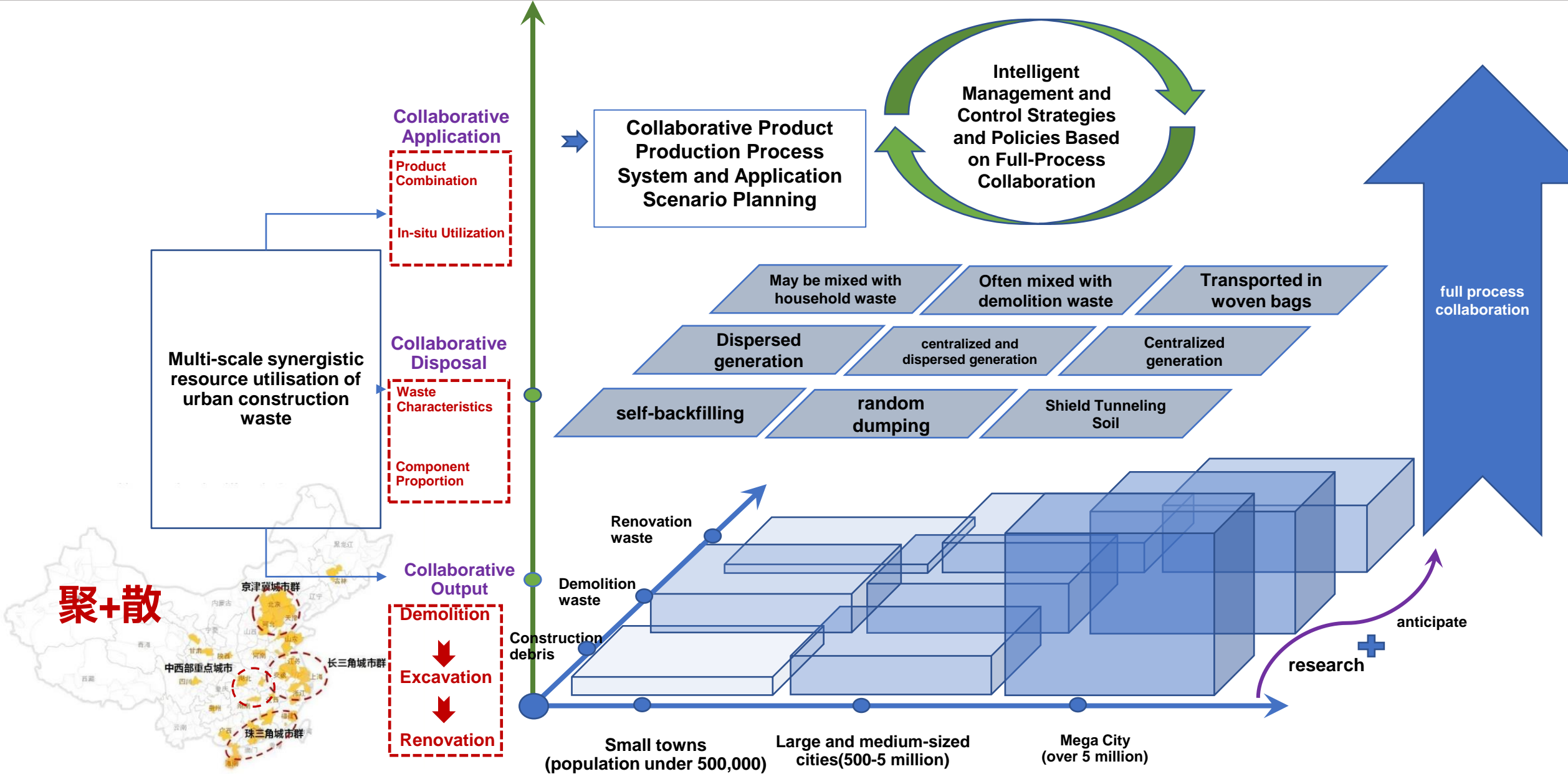
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Forward and reverse synergy in recycling

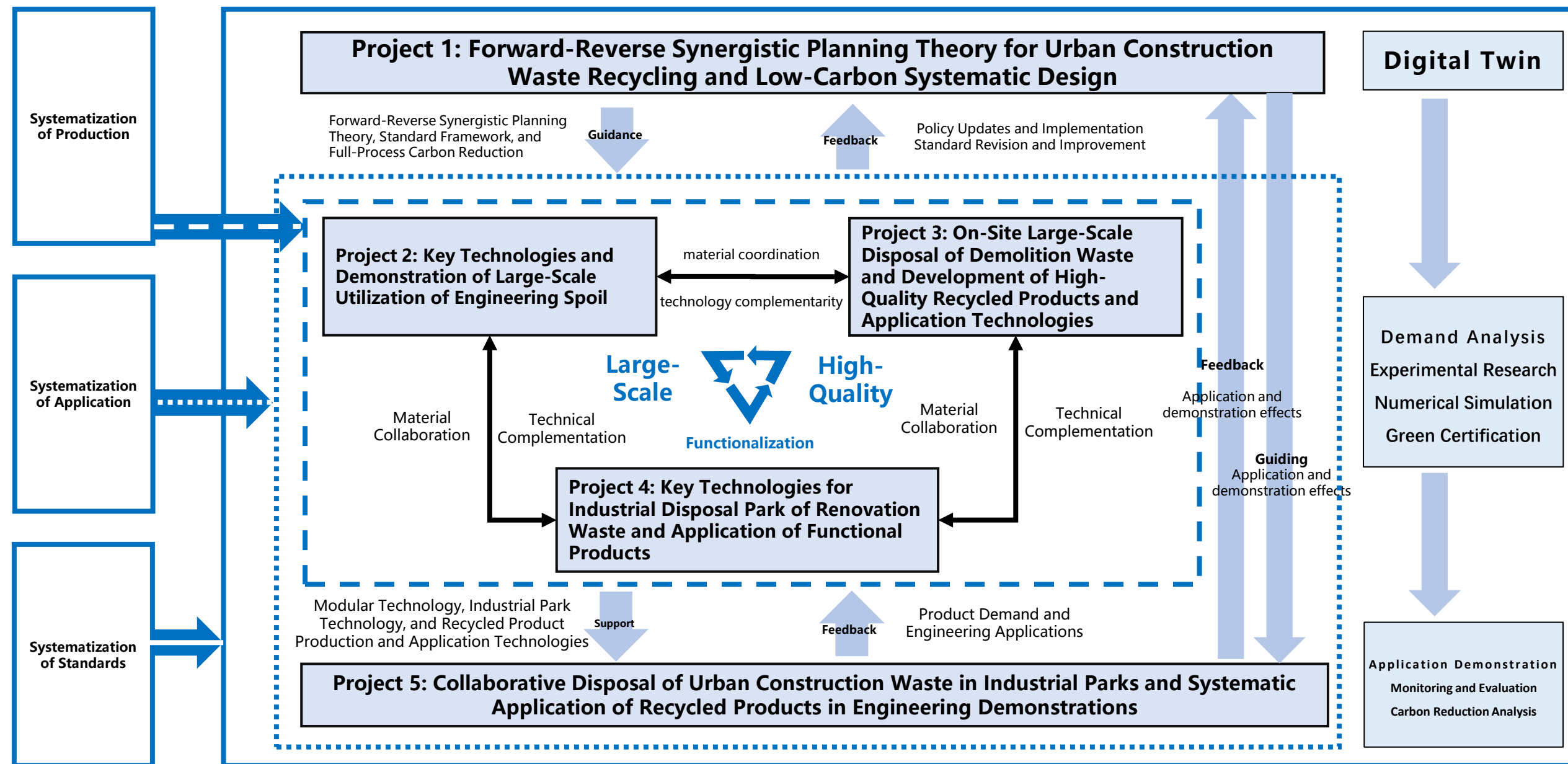
● Forward-Reverse Synergy Planning and Application Theory for Recycling



Clarifying the true state of urban construction solid waste



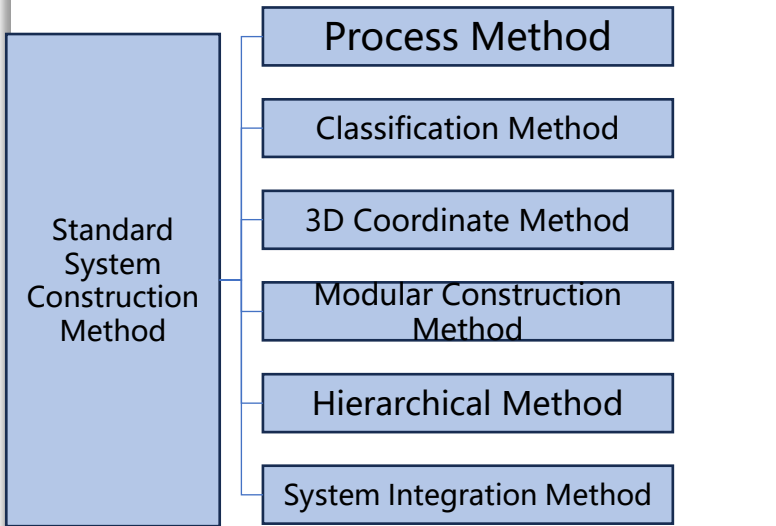
Collaborative programmes



Top-level design synergy

● Standard system construction

Methods



Y Standard Level



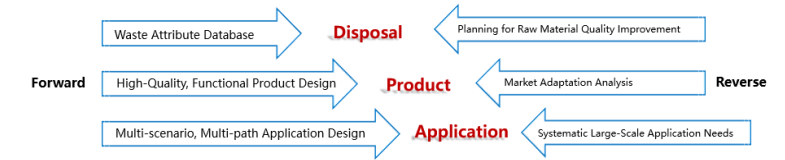
Procedure

- GB/T13016-2018
《Standard system construction and principles》
- GB/T12366-2009
《Guidelines for comprehensive standardisation work》

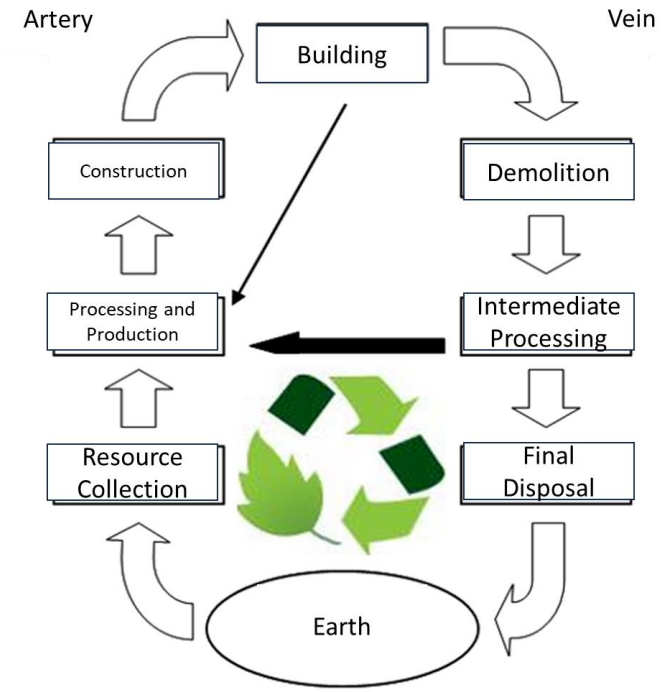
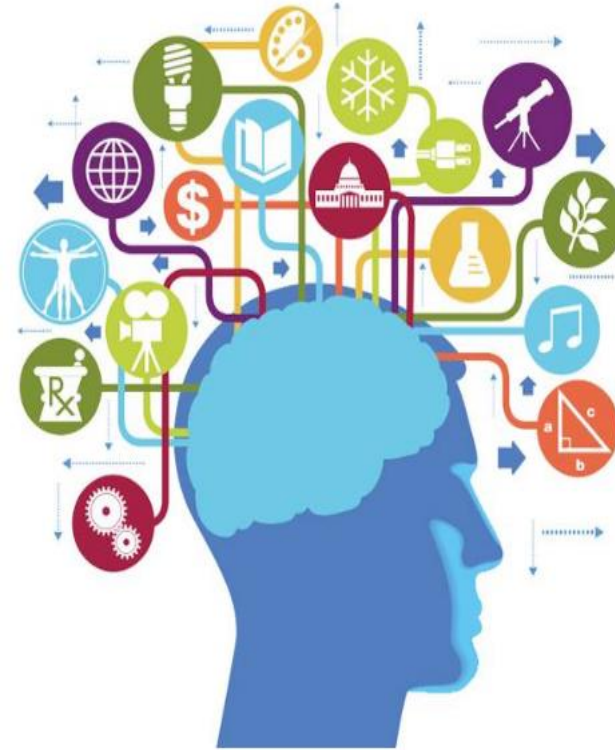
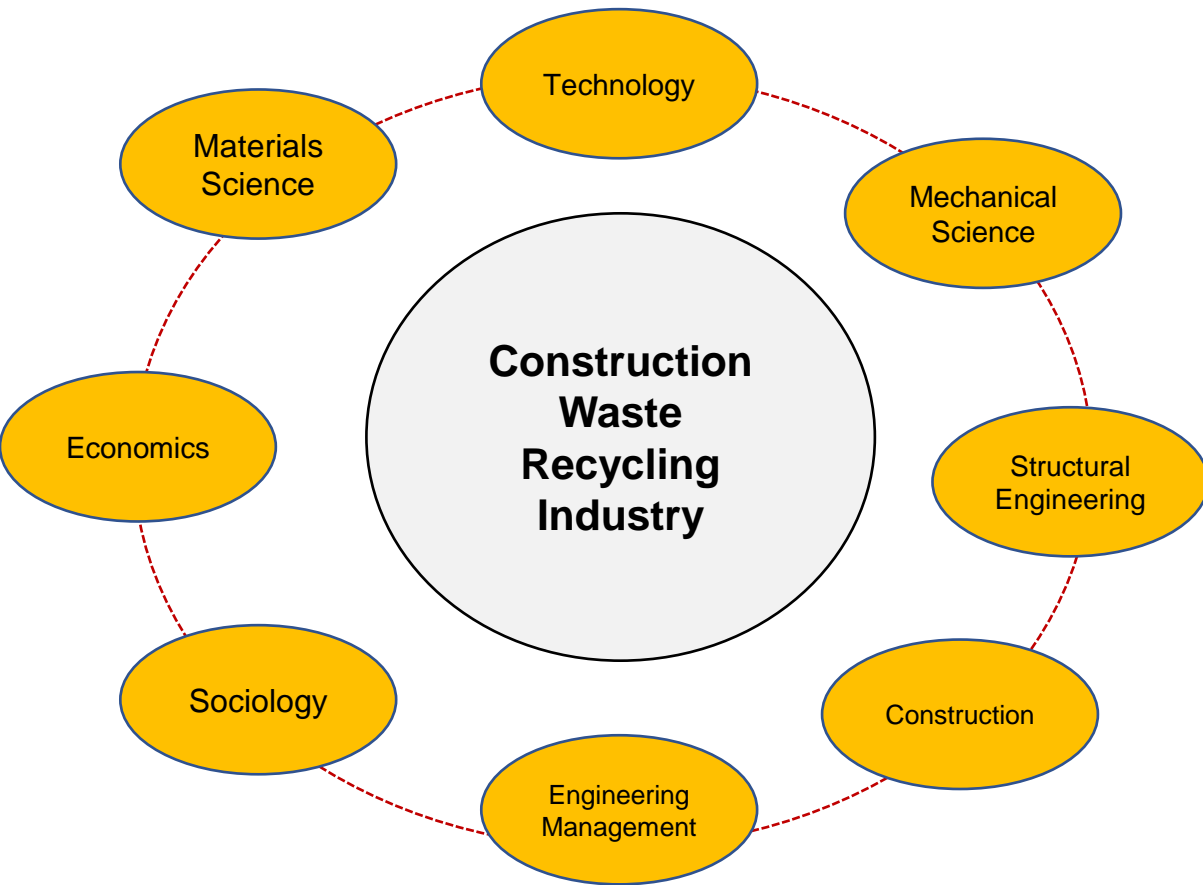


Key points

- **Forward-Reverse Synergy in Recycling**
- **Dynamic Updates**
- **Full-Process Carbon Reduction Mechanism**

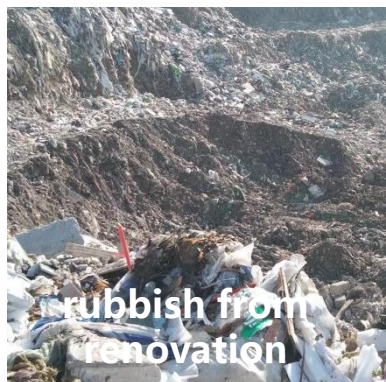
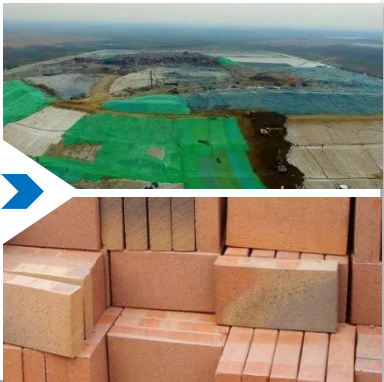


Cross-disciplinary synergies

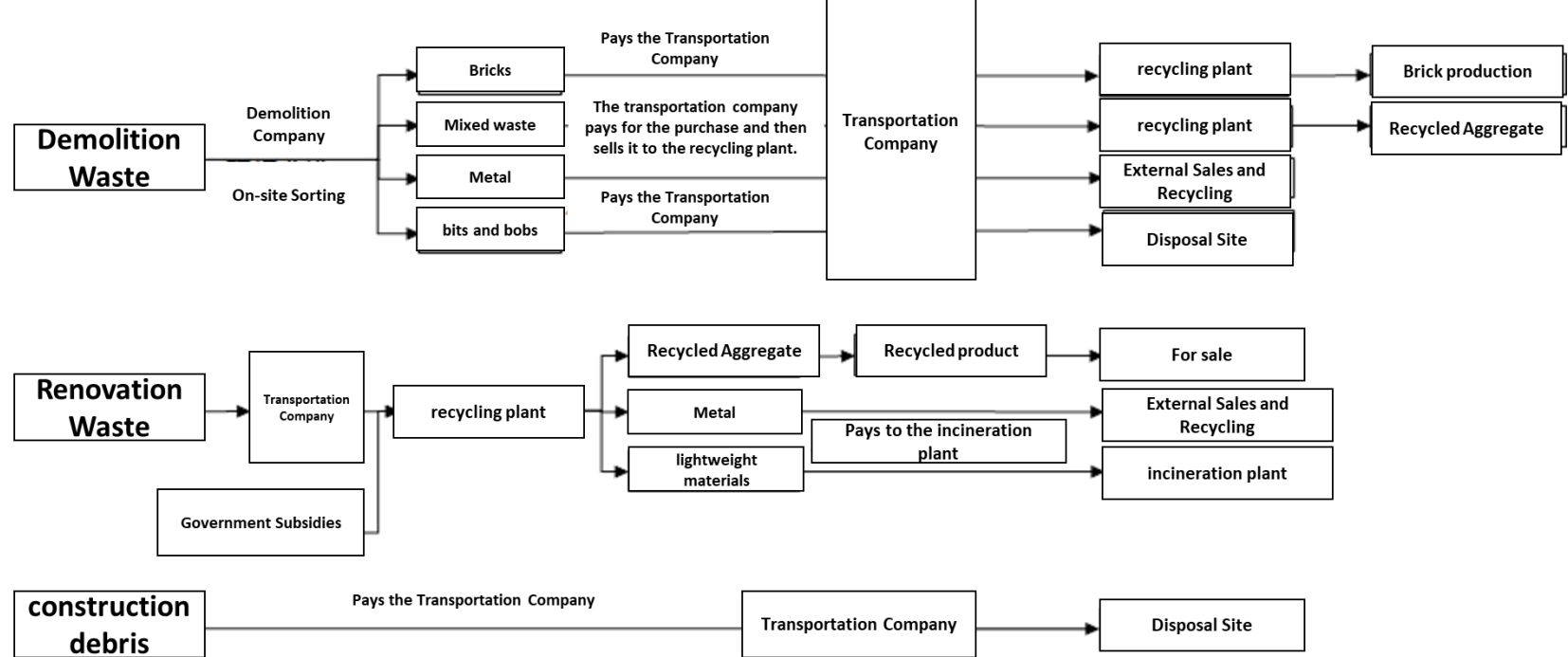


➤ Based on the current understanding of recycling, it requires interdisciplinary collaboration across materials science, technology, equipment, structure, construction, management, economics, policy, and even cultural aspects.

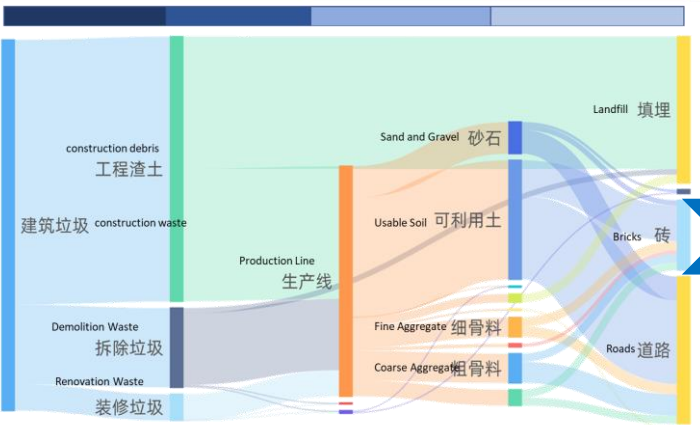
Multi-source solid waste output synergies



Current Situation and Market Operation Mechanism of Construction Waste Collection, Transportation, and Utilization



Production Transport Processing Application



Transport: reasonable forecasts
Handling: material flow, process synergy
Application: Synergistic Application

Concentrated-Distributed" Disposal Coordination

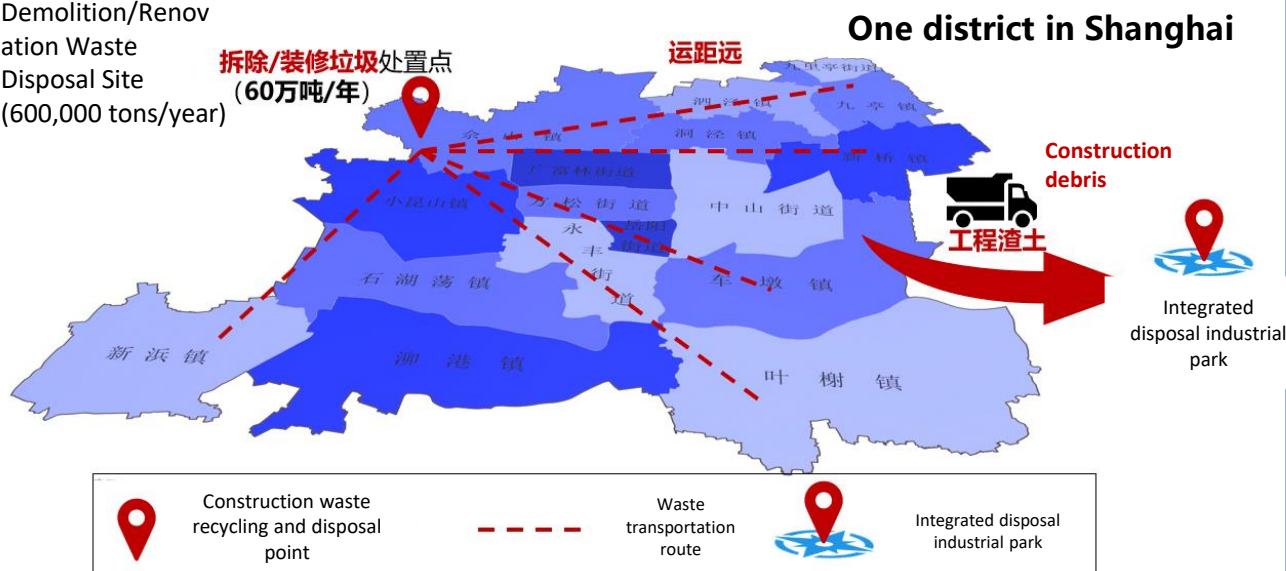
Dispersed disposal: high cost, low quality

Centralized disposal: long transport distances, high carbon emissions



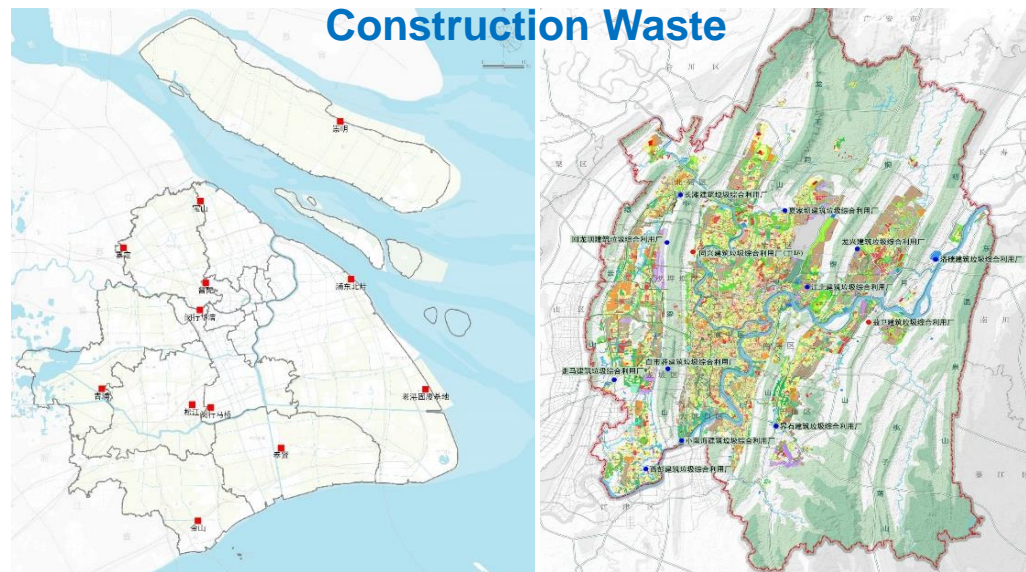
On-site modular high-efficiency disposal coordinated with centralized disposal in industrial parks

Demolition/Renovation Waste Disposal Site (600,000 tons/year)



Plan disposal methods based on the characteristics of solid waste generation

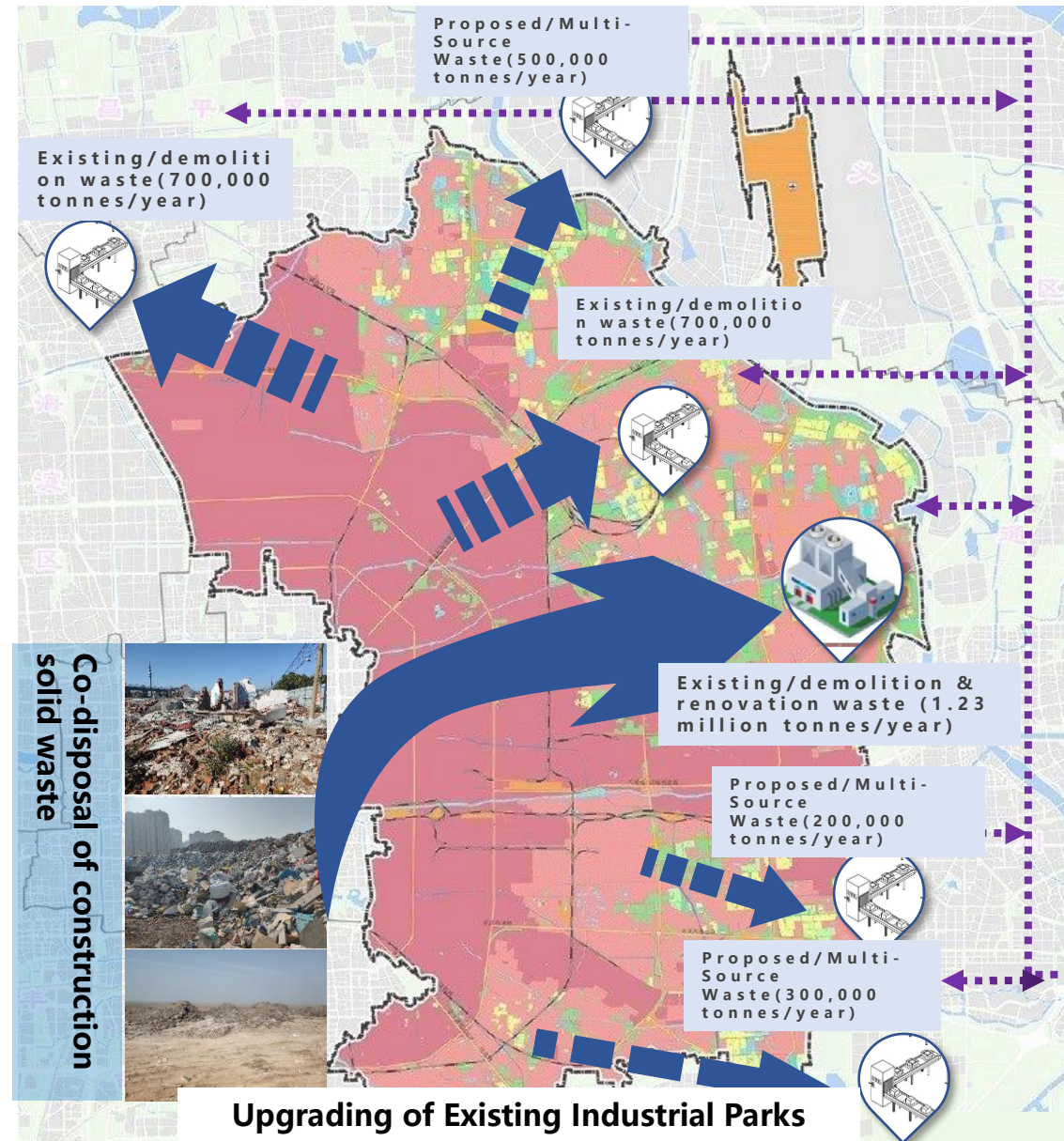
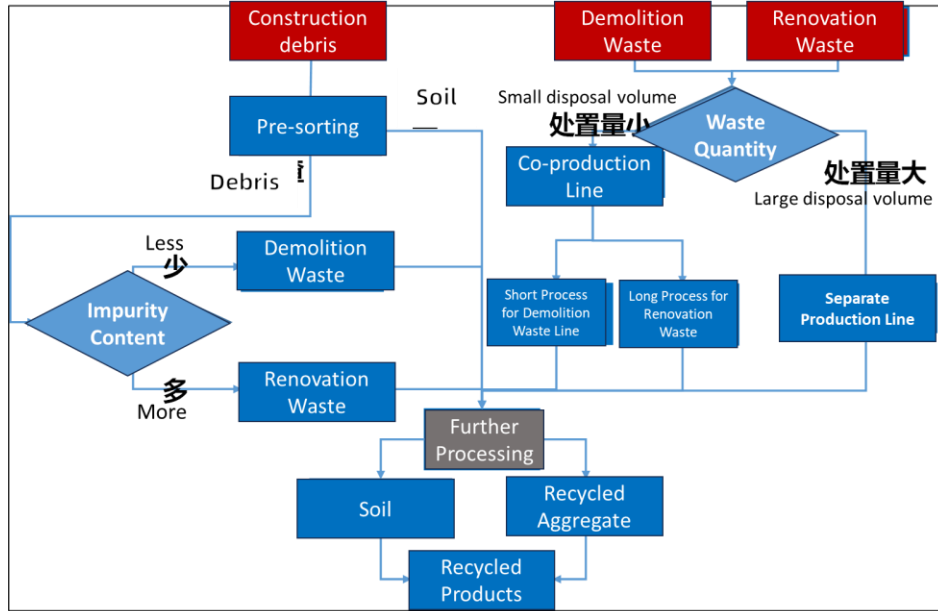
Research and Analysis on Urban-Scale Layout Planning for the Resource Utilization of Construction Waste



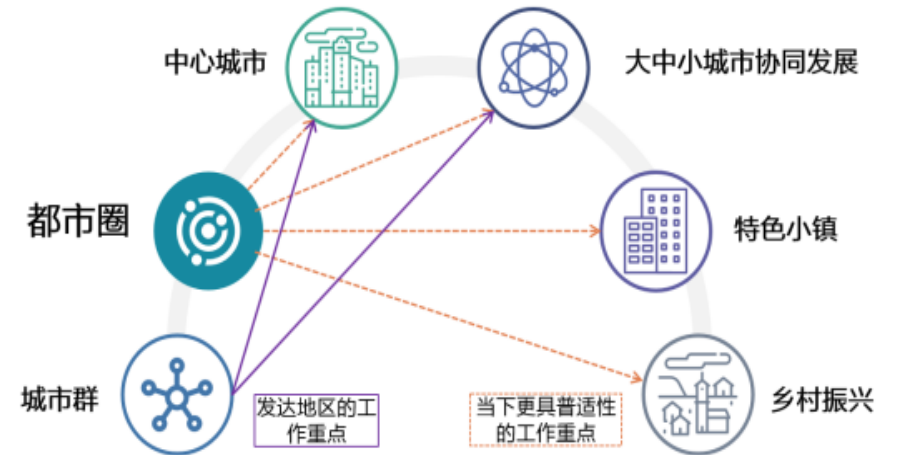
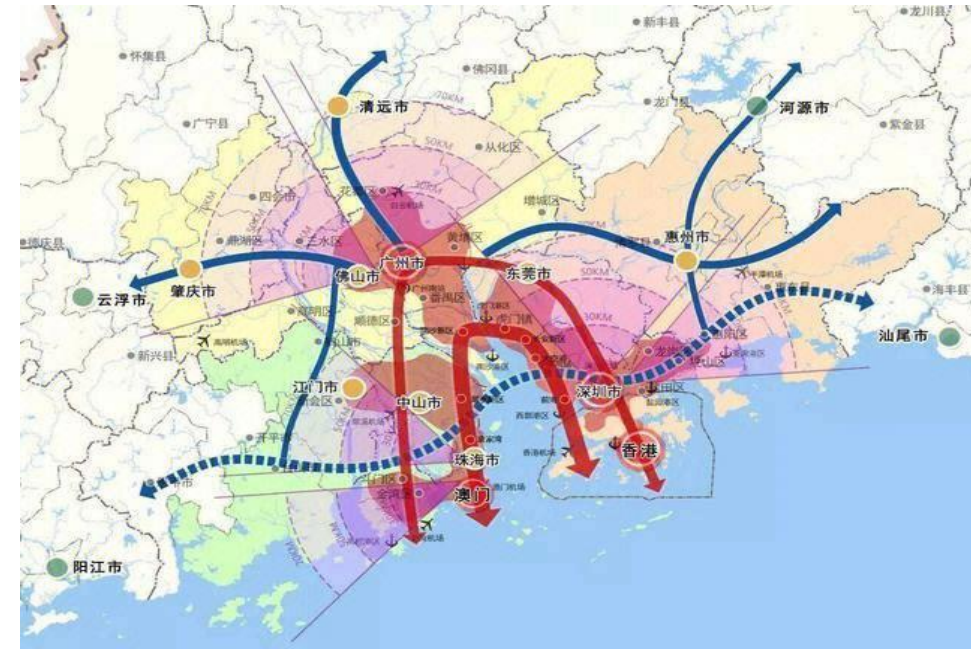
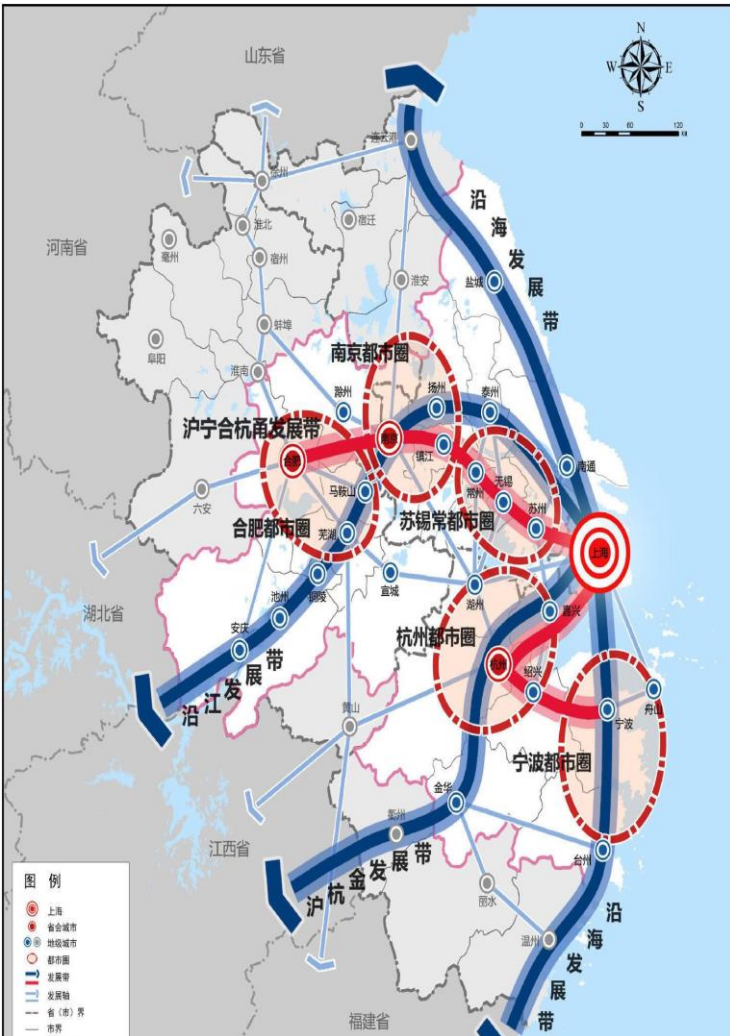
Shanghai Construction Waste Resource Utilisation Facilities Planning Layout Map

Special Plan for Construction Waste Management in Central Chongqing (2021-2035)

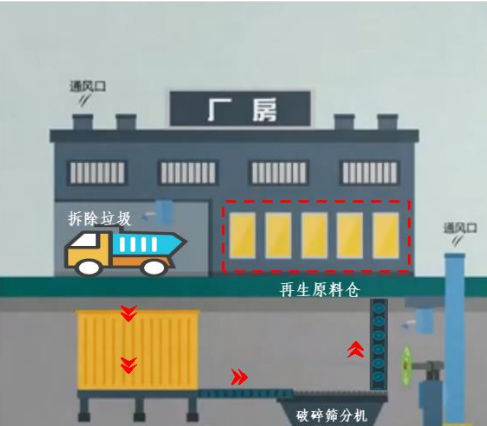
Industrial Park Collaborative Disposal



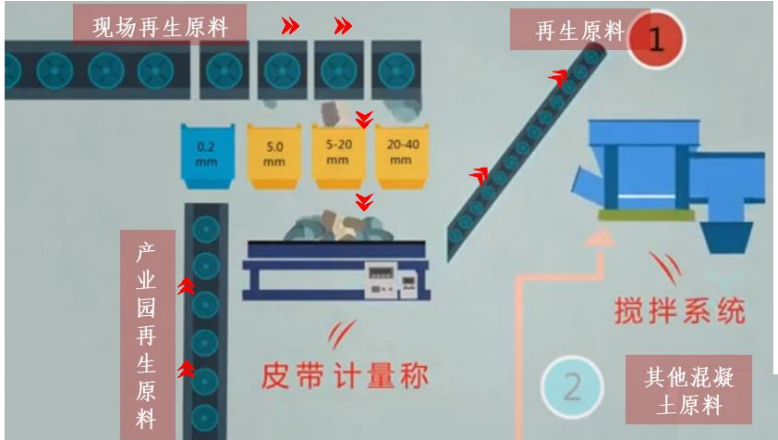
Regional (area) co-disposal



Product pivoting synergy



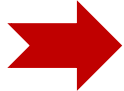
Multi-source Building Solid Waste Recycling System



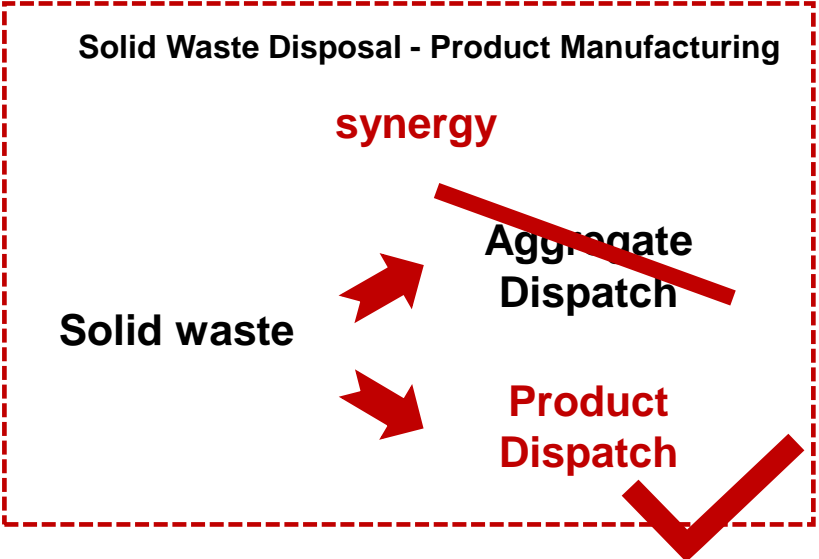
Commercial concrete mixing



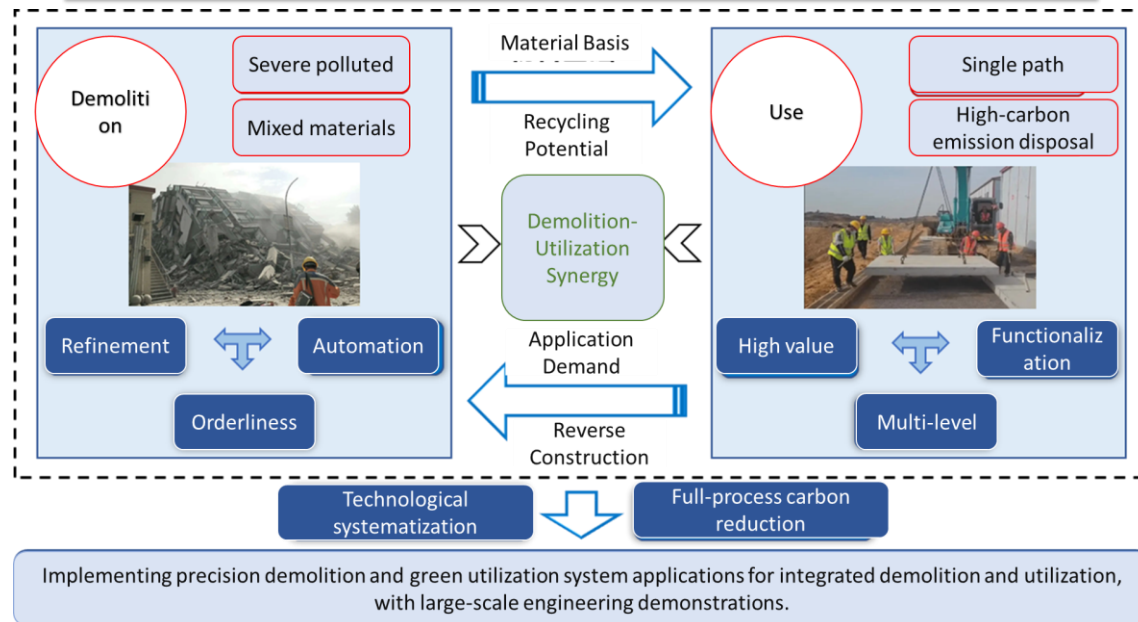
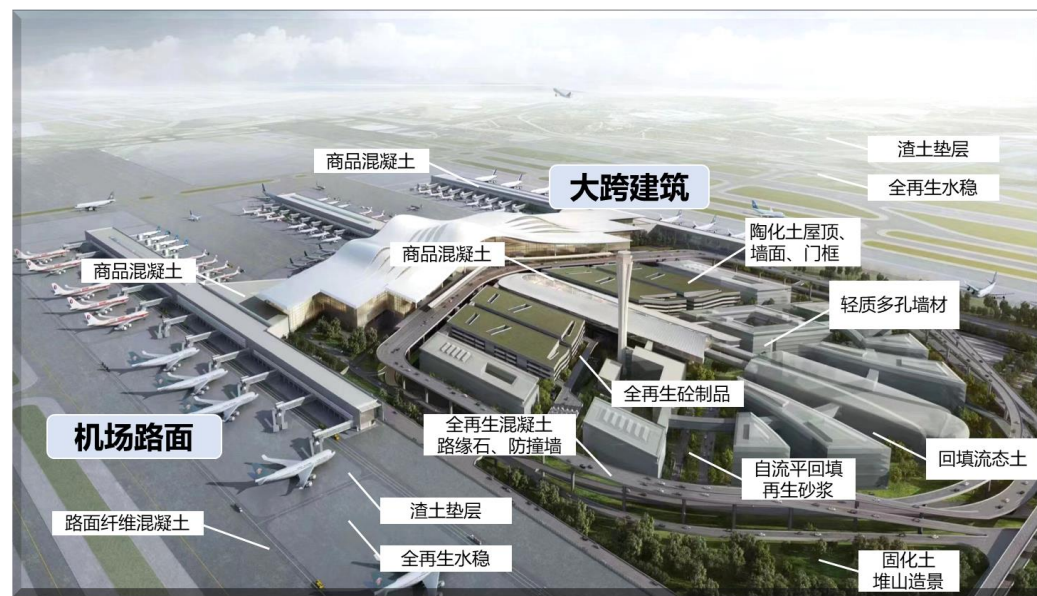
prefabricated factory



Demonstration of application engineering



Disassembly/Use, Application Modes and Scenarios



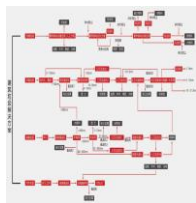
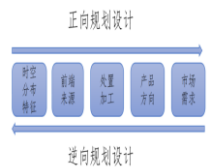
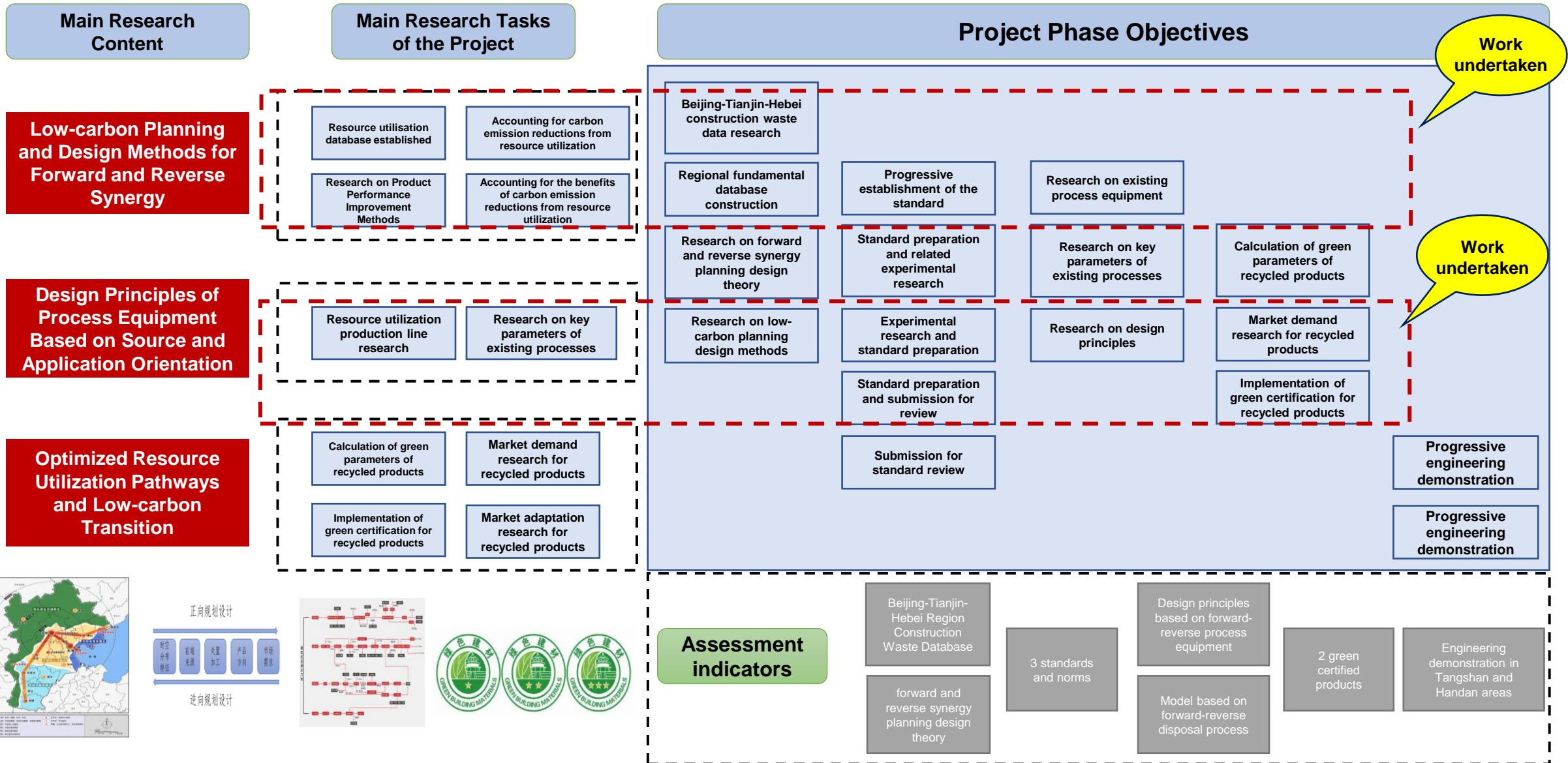


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Research Outcomes of Forward and Reverse Synergy Theory

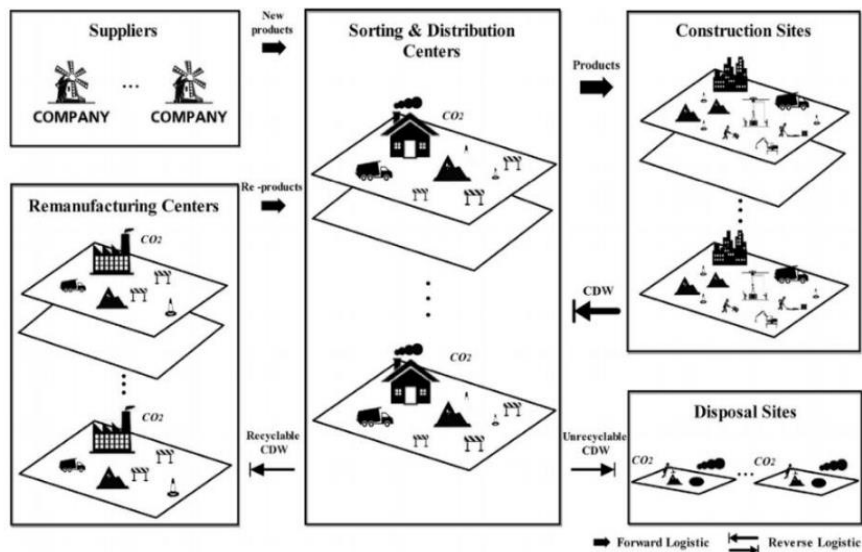
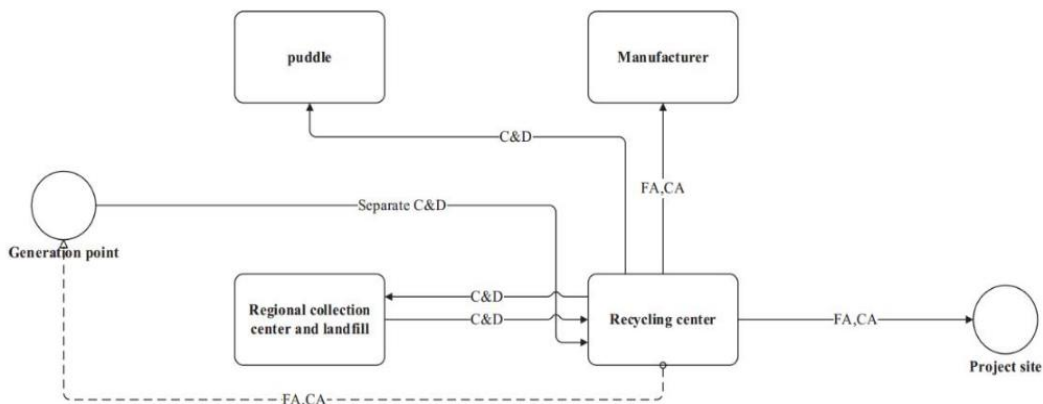
Research on the technological system of positive-reverse synergy for urban construction waste resource utilisation



Theoretical Results of Forward and Reverse Synergy Research

Research on the technological system of positive-reverse synergy for urban construction waste resource utilisation

逆向
Reverse



正向
Forward and
Reverse

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Min}C_1 = \pi E + C \\
 & \text{Min}C_2 = \pi(E - A_{\max}) + C \\
 & \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{ij}^k = \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{jm}^k + \sum_{p=1}^P \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{jp}^k \\
 & \sum_{m=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{mj}^k + \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{spj}^k = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{ji}^k \\
 & x_j Ca_j^{\min} \leq \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{ij}^k \leq x_j Ca_j^{\max} \\
 & x_m Da_m^{\min} \leq \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^K Q_{jm}^k \leq x_m Da_m^{\max} \\
 & x_j Ca_j^{\min} \leq \sum_{m=1}^M Q_{mj}^k + Q_{spj}^k \leq x_j Ca_j^{\max} \\
 & \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{m=1}^M Q_{jm}^k = \gamma \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J Q_{ij}^k \\
 & \sum_{j=1}^J Q_{mj}^k = \lambda \sum_{j=1}^J Q_{jm}^k \\
 & Q_{ij}^k \geq 0, Q_{jm}^k \geq 0, Q_{jp}^k \geq 0, Q_{mj}^k \geq 0, Q_{ji}^k \geq 0 \\
 & x_j \in \{0, 1\}, x_m \in \{0, 1\}
 \end{aligned}$$

s.t.

Based on operational planning analysis, a closed-loop supply chain planning and design method for urban construction waste recycling is proposed. By integrating both forward and reverse logistics, and considering the market demand for recycled products, the method addresses key stages in the disposal of urban construction waste. It incorporates economic, environmental, and social impacts to control waste disposal planning. Additionally, carbon policies such as carbon pricing are factored into the cost model, establishing an urban construction waste planning and design method based on forward-reverse synergy, aiming to maximize the resource recovery value.

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Research on the technological system of positive-reverse synergy for urban construction waste resource utilisation

河北省住房和城乡建设厅

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河北省住房和城乡建设厅 关于发布河北省建筑垃圾再生利用 典型案例（第一批）的通知

各市（含定州、辛集市）城市管理综合行政执法局、住房和城乡建设局（建设局），雄安新区管委会建设和交通管理局：

为进一步推动建筑垃圾资源化利用工作，总结推广成熟有效的再生利用模式，我厅在全省征集了一批建筑垃圾再生利用典型案例，经各地推荐和专家审议，确定了6个案例作为第一批建筑垃圾再生利用典型案例，现予以发布，请结合实际学习借鉴。

附件：河北省建筑垃圾再生利用典型案例（第一批）



- Typical Project for Utilizing Recycled Products** — The Upgrading and Renovation Project of Yongji Road (Yingbin Avenue to Juguantun Pump Station) in Cangzhou, focusing on road drainage works.
- Multi-Waste Collaborative Disposal Model** — Qian'an WeiSheng Concrete for comprehensive solid waste management.
- Comprehensive Utilization of Construction Waste** — Qinhuangdao Hongzheng Building Materials Recycling Base Project.
- National Enterprise Model for Construction Waste Disposal and Recycling** — Zhangjiakou Construction Waste Disposal and Comprehensive Utilization Project.
- Full Life-Cycle Circular Ecosystem for the Construction Industry** — Handan Zonglou Construction Waste Comprehensive Utilization Model.
- Local Example of Construction Waste Recycling** — Tangshan Runteng Construction Waste Utilization Technology.

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建筑垃圾再生建材产品评价技术要求

Technical requirements for evaluation of construction waste recycling building materials

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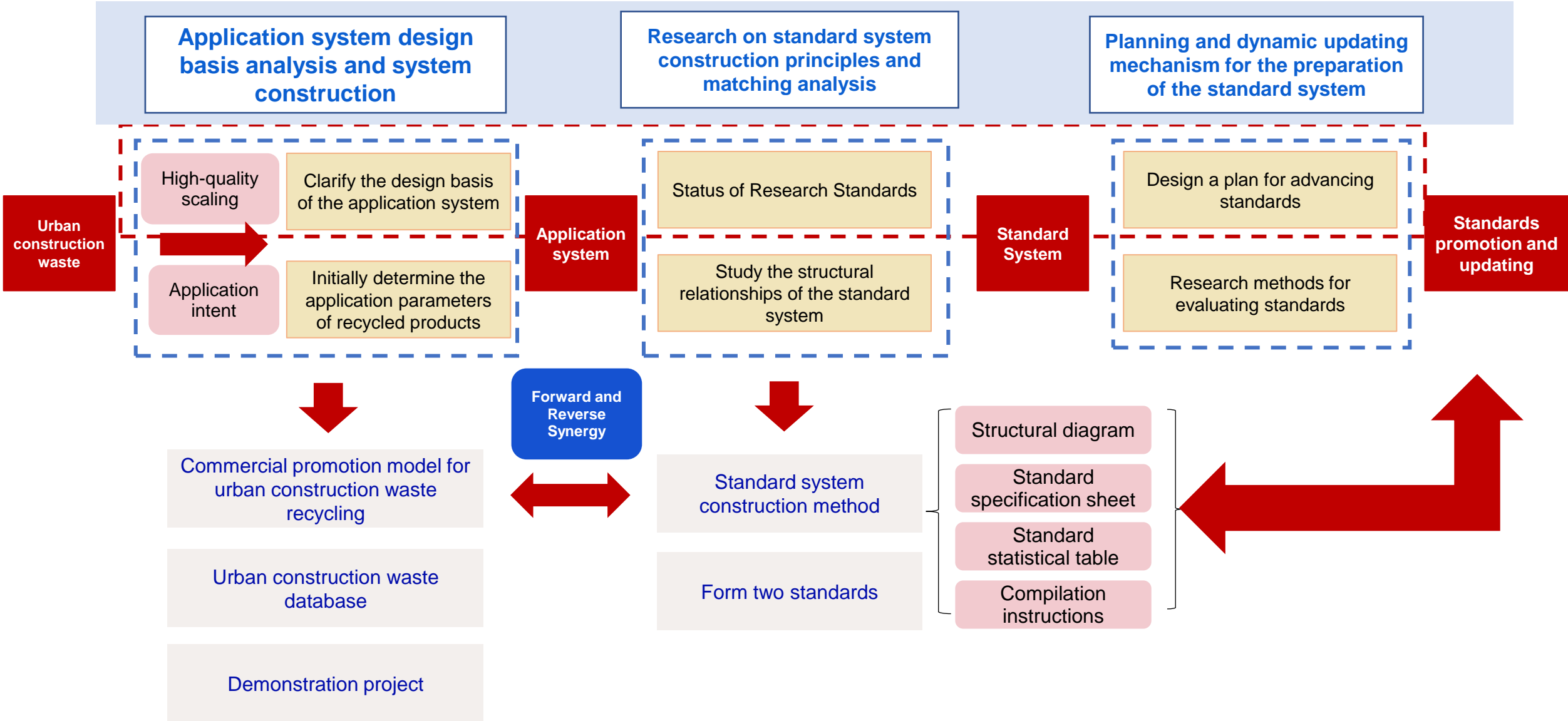
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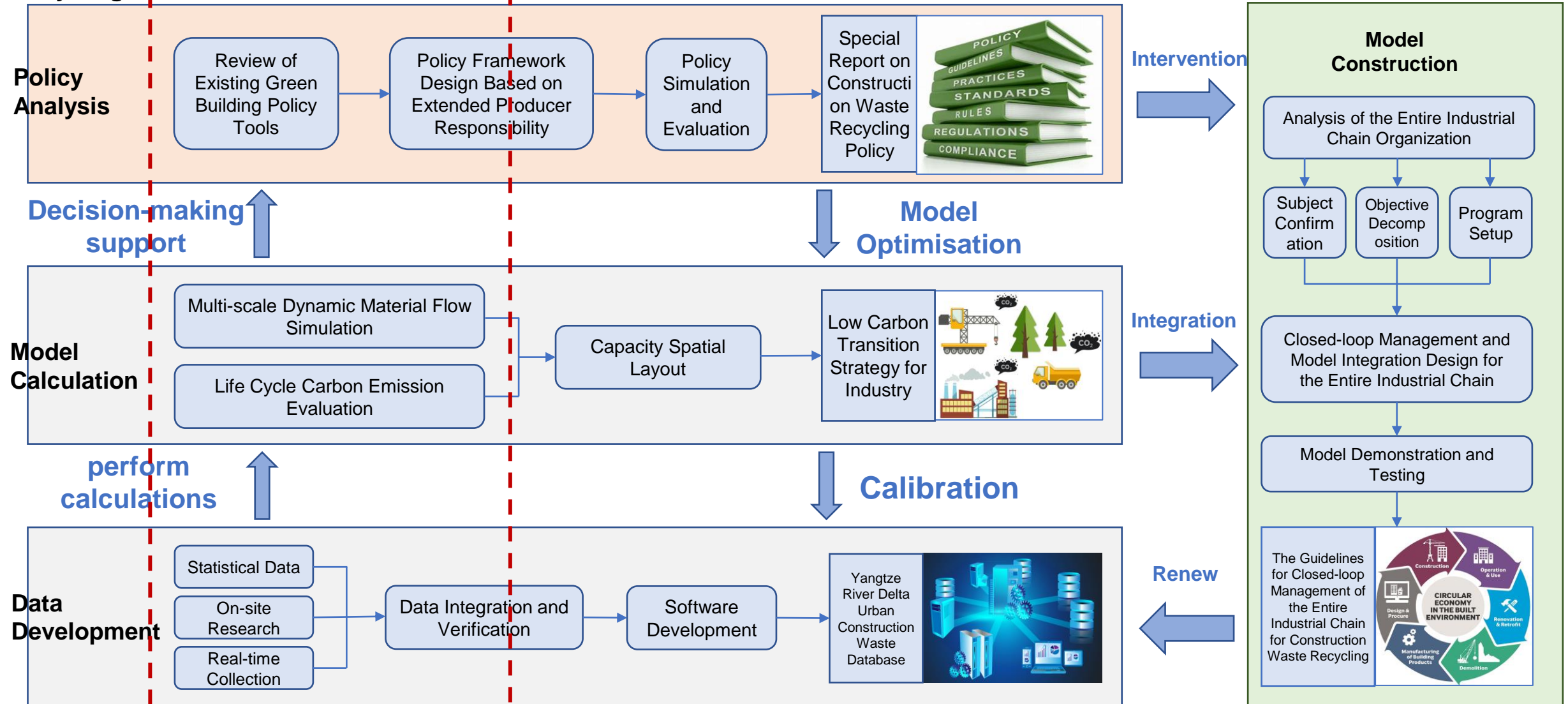
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Research on the Full-Process Application System and Standardization of Forward and Reverse Recycling Synergy



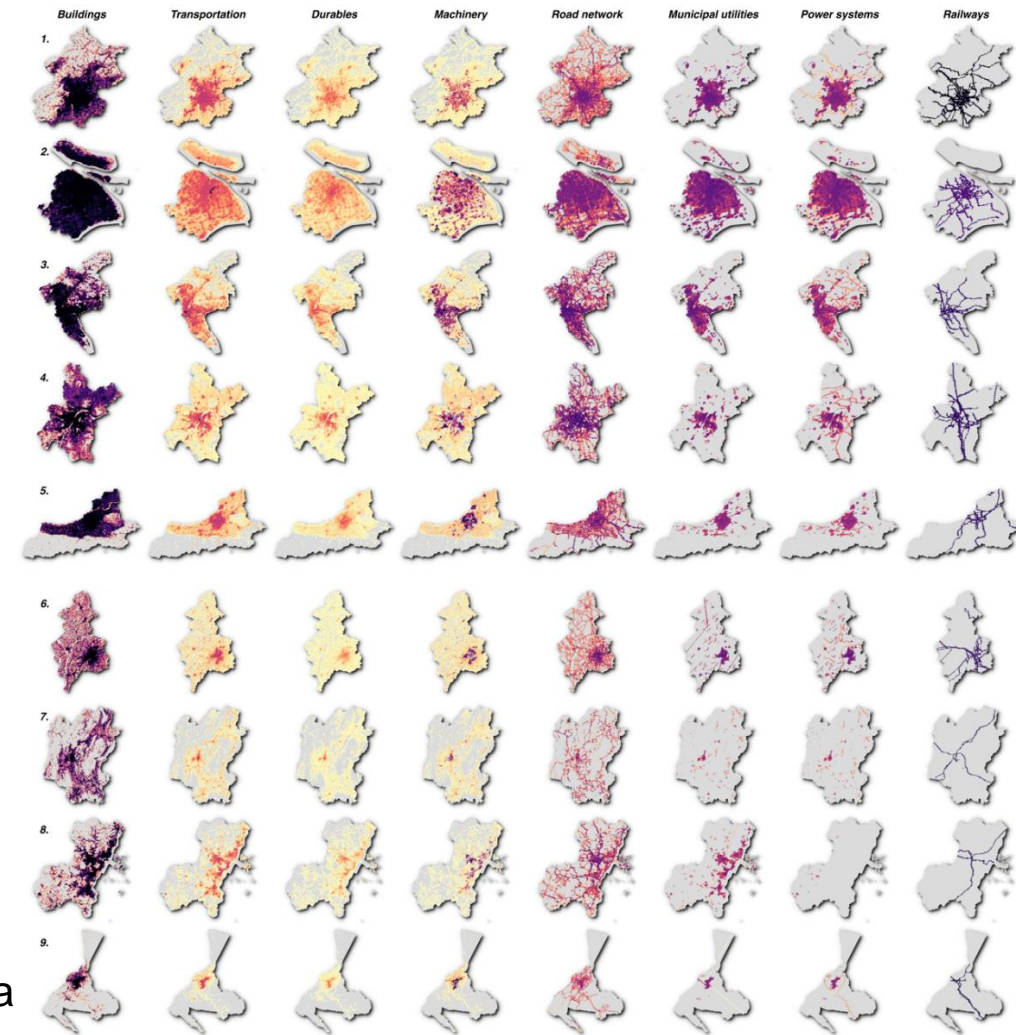
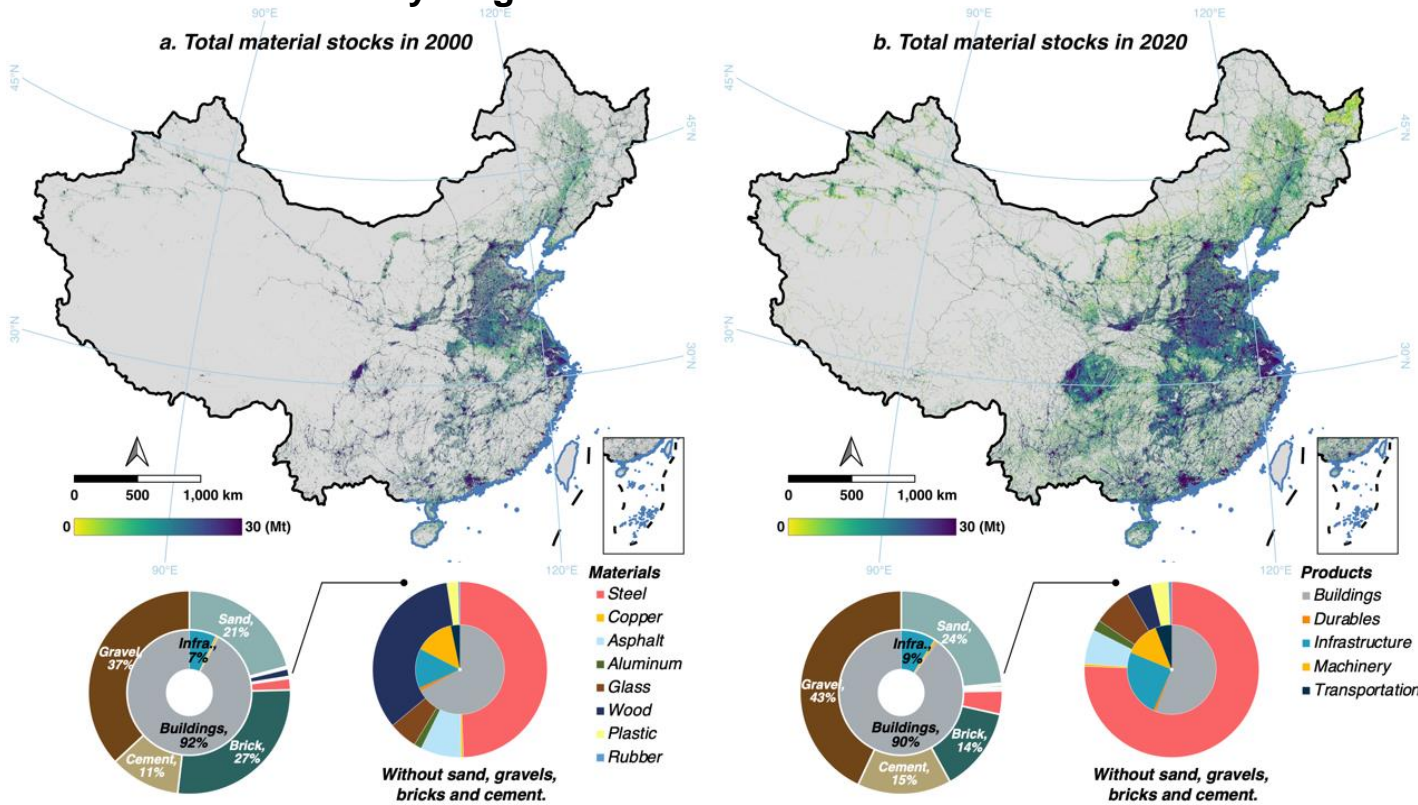
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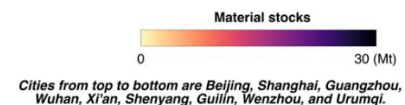
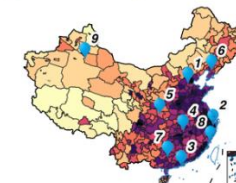


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The spatial and temporal variations in the stock distribution of building materials (sand, gravel, cement, bricks, etc.) across different regions of China over the past 20 years were analyzed. This dataset can support research on long-term dynamics, socio-economic development, and human activities, including urban expansion, carbon emissions, and resource recycling.



Synergy implementation case - modular equipment



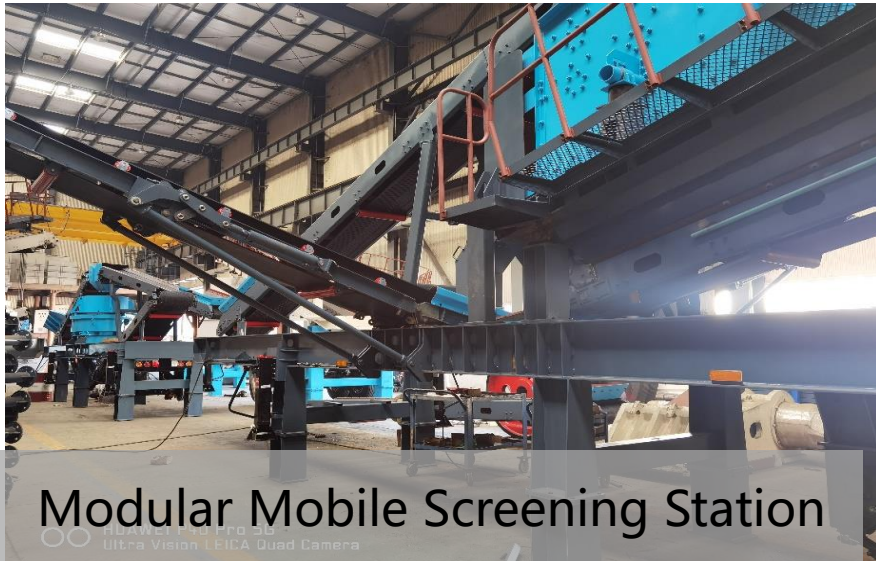
Screw Shaft Screening Machine



Wind Separator



Before Shaping



Modular Mobile Screening Station



Modular Mobile Shaping and Crushing Station

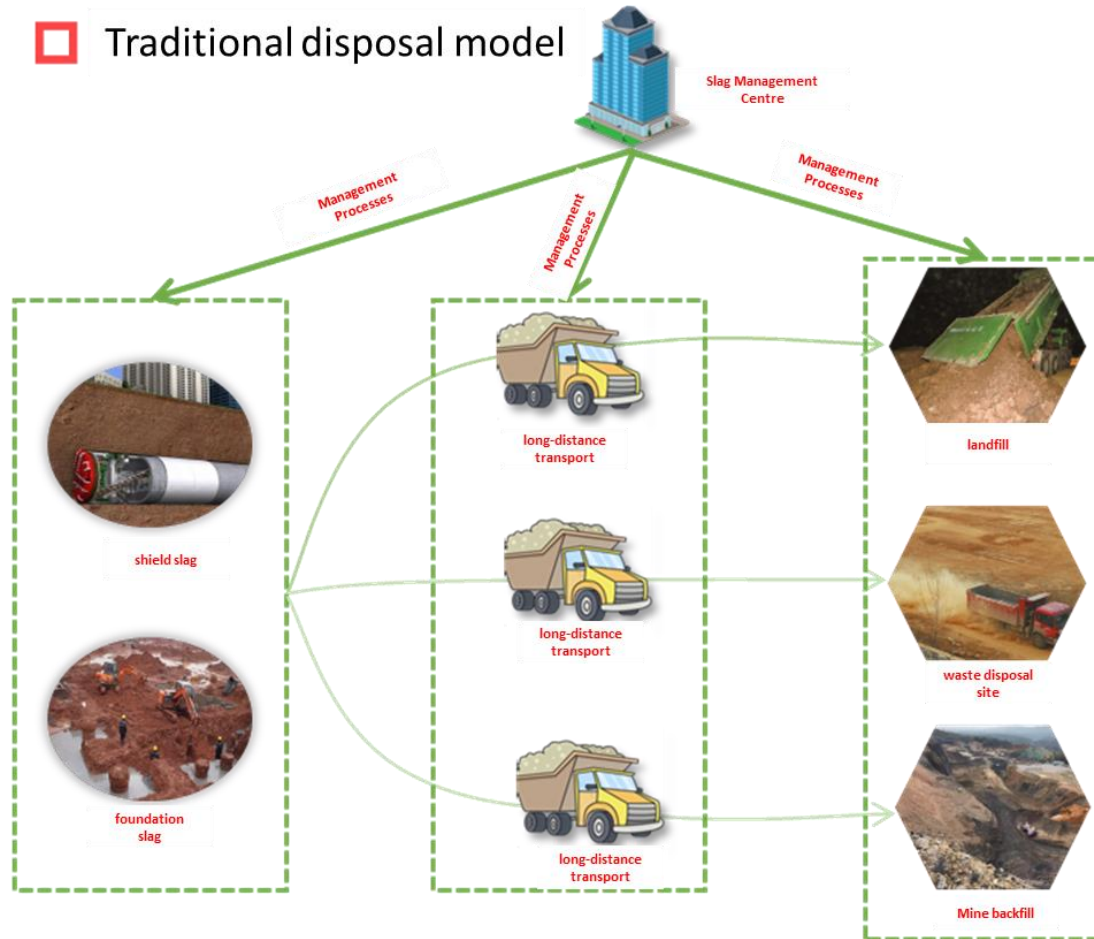


After Shaping

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Integrated Solid Waste Disposal Centre

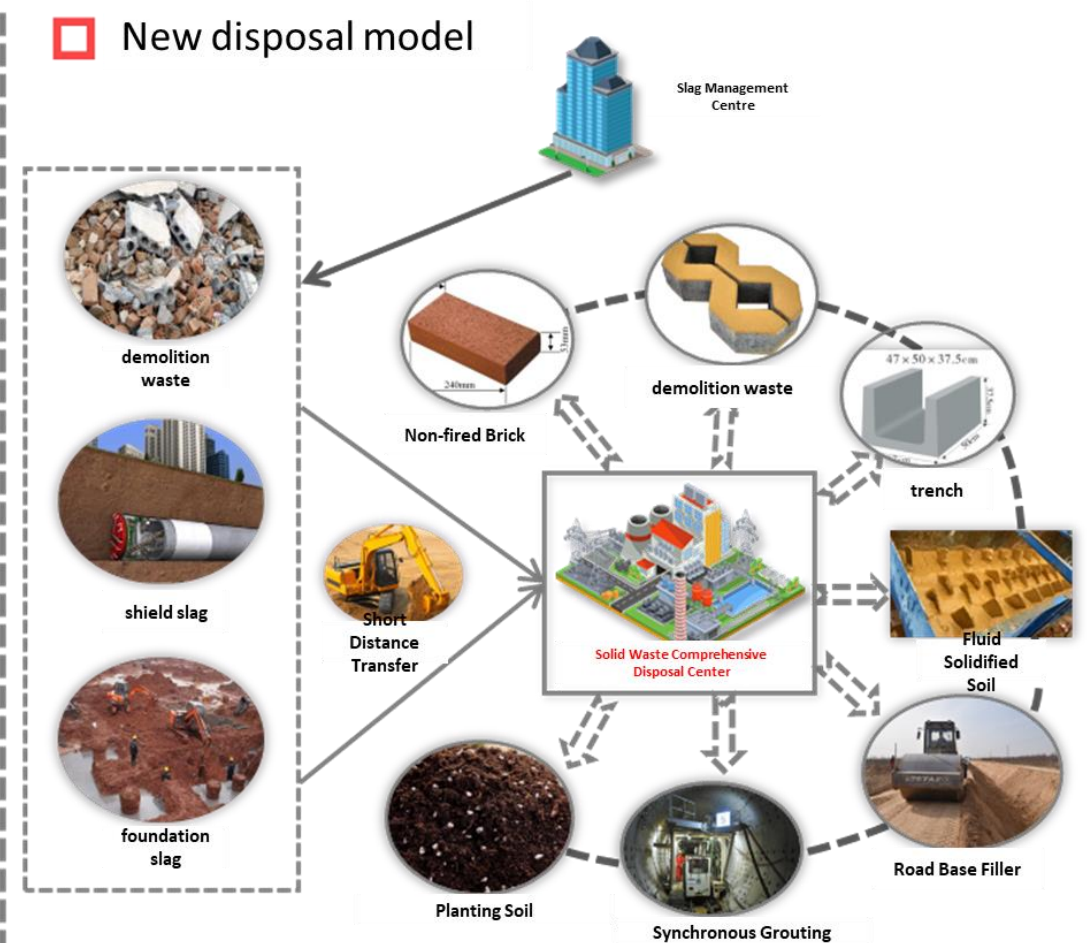
Traditional disposal model



Existing Issues

- Management process is complex, with low controllability
- Takes up a large amount of land
- Damages the environment, pollutes water sources
- High risk of landslides, significant safety hazards

New disposal model

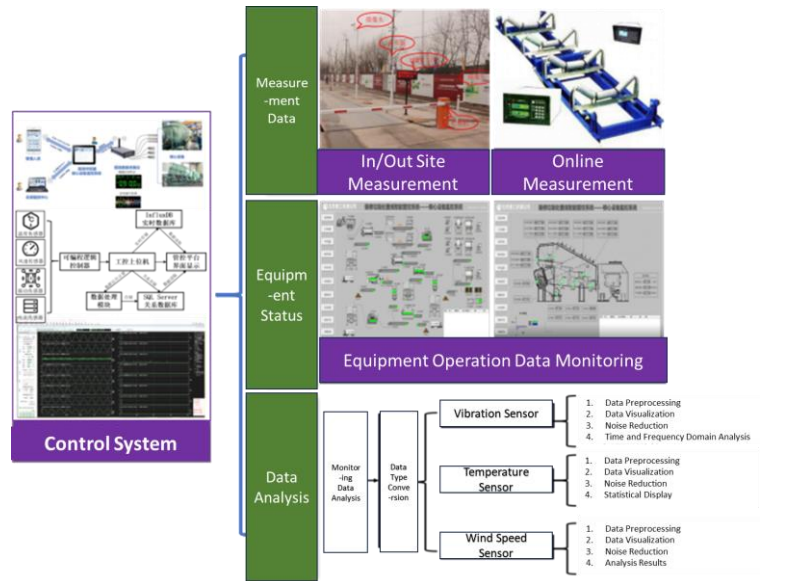
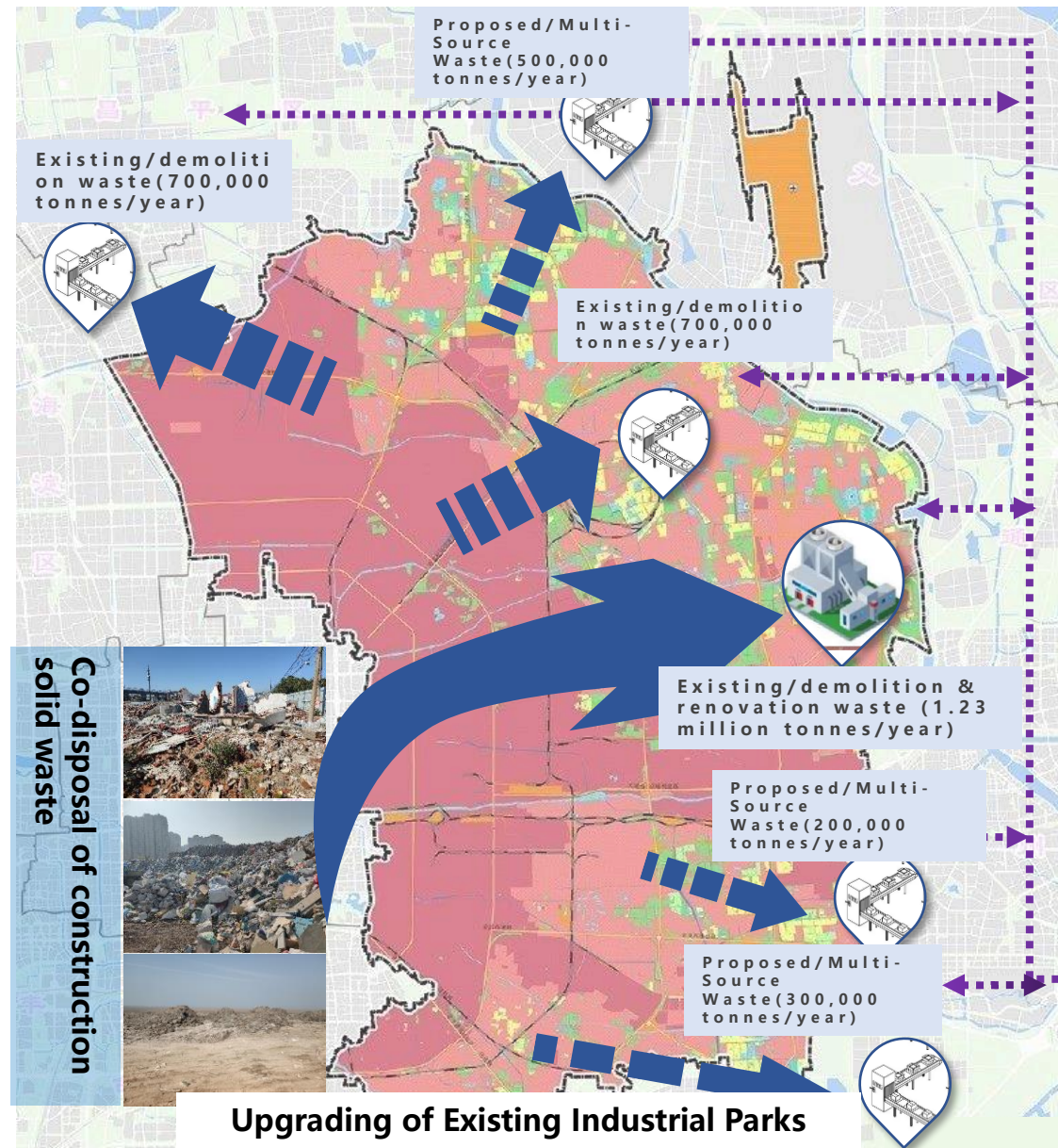


Advantages and Benefits

- Simple management
- Entire process is controllable, low carbon and environmentally friendly
- Transformation from solid waste to products, with significant economic benefits
- Releases large amounts of land, with significant ecological benefits

Smart control

Smart control of construction waste

Generate



Disposal



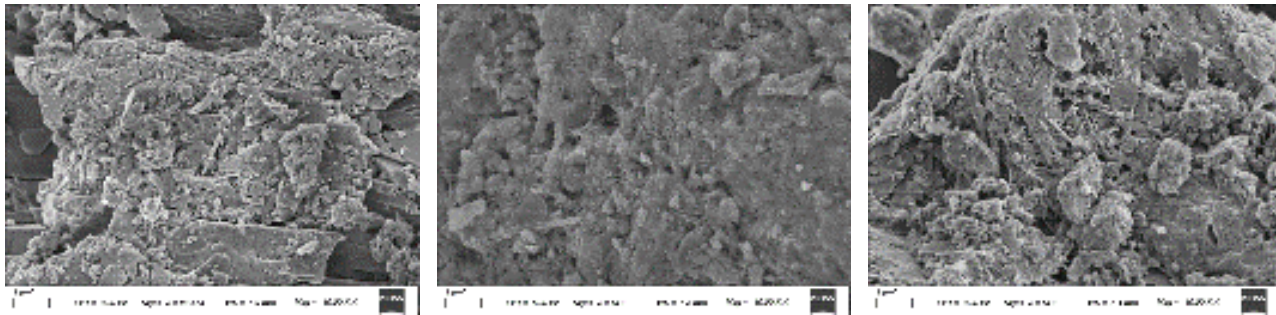
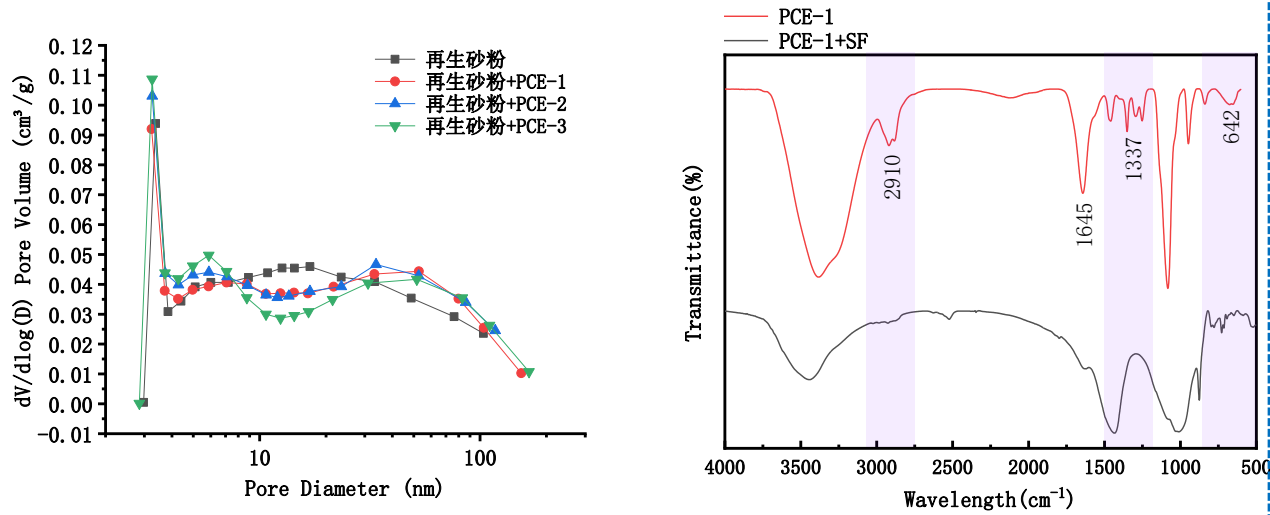
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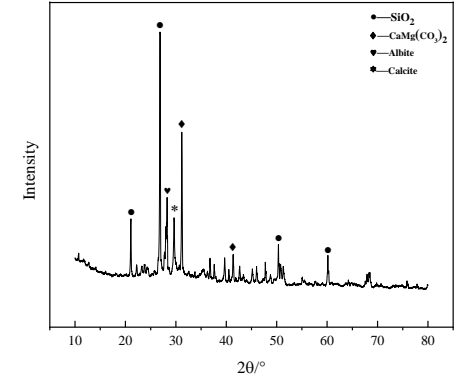
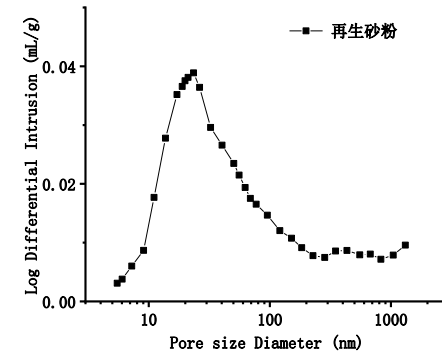
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Forward and Reverse Optimization Design and Preparation of High-Performance Recycled Concrete

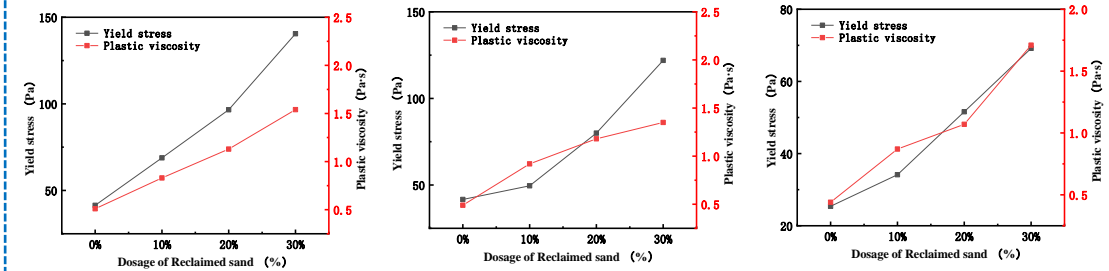
Forward Optimization of High-Performance Recycled Concrete — Additive Optimization and Blending Analysis



Changes in surface pore structure, micro-morphology, and functional groups of recycled sand powder before and after adsorption



Pore size distribution and phase analysis of recycled sand powder



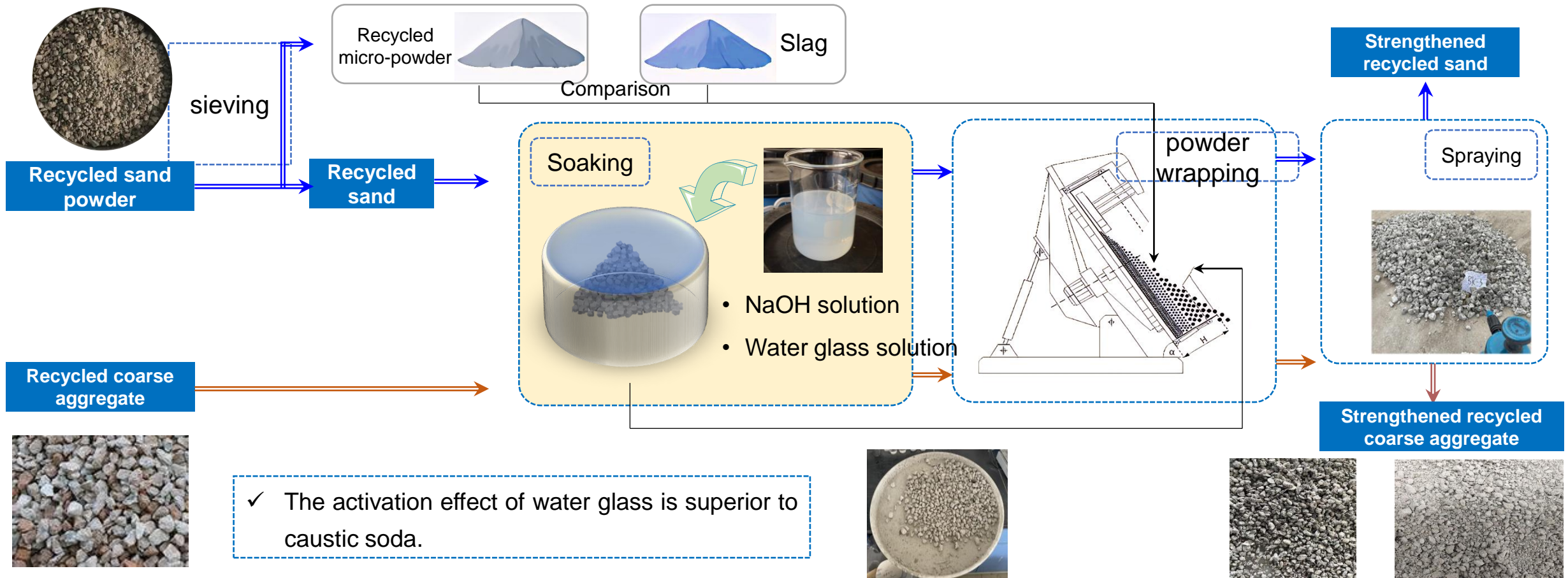
The effect of recycled sand components on mortar flowability (yield stress/plastic viscosity)

➤ The 10~20nm micropores in the recycled sand powder are the main cause of ineffective adsorption of polycarboxylate superplasticizer, while short main-chain and long side-chain superplasticizers have a higher resistance to ineffective adsorption.

Forward and Reverse Synergy Design Method for Recycled Products

Forward and Reverse Optimization Design and Preparation of High-Performance Recycled Concrete

- Forward Optimization of High-Performance Recycled Concrete — Self-healing of surface defects and particle shape correction of recycled aggregates.



- The strengthening effect of powder wrapping can significantly reduce the negative impact of recycled coarse aggregate on concrete strength, and reasonable adjustments can increase the 7-day strength by up to 22%.

Synergy Implementation Case - Demolition and Utilization Synergy

- Taking road and bridge expansion projects as an example, there is an urgent need for corresponding reverse design technology



demolish



construct

Reverse

New construction

Application Scenario Planning

No.	Category	Application Project	Quantity	Requirements	Reference Standards	Remarks
1	(I) Road Surface	Recycled Stable Base Layer	18,832 m ³	Compressive Strength >20MPa	"Technical Details for Road Base Stabilization" (JT/T 730-2013)	CDE surface-stabilized base layer
2		Recycled Concrete Pavement	200 m ²	C30, Abrasion Loss <2.5 kg/m ²	"Technical Details for Road Concrete Pavement Construction" (JT/T 730-2013)	Pavement used in the recycling of local roads
3		Recycled Concrete Sidewalk Kerbstone	500 m	C25, Water Absorption Rate <6%	"Concrete Kerbstone" (JCT 895)	Can cooperate with the manufacturer for production, add quantity based on efficiency
4	(II) Small Prefabricated Components	Recycled Hexagonal Bricks	500 pieces	C20, Porosity Coefficient <20.0%, Abrasion Depth <12 mm	"Concrete Kerbstone" (JCT 895)	Used for ditch masonry, the project has processing conditions and can be used on a large scale.
5		Recycled I-shaped Bricks	1500 m			
6	(III) Additional Works	Recycled Concrete Anti-Collision Walls	300 m	C30	"General Standards for Road Bridge Design" (JTG D60-2015)	Suggested for use in highway SA and protective measures
7	(IV) Tunnel Structure	Frame Structure at Station	120 m ²	C30		Except for the pile foundation on the east side of the station building, it is recommended that the remaining frame structure and back masonry structure adopt fully recycled structures, with monitoring measurements installed for long-term experimental observation and demonstration.
8	(V) Toll Station Structure	Recycled Chair-Bin Structure	Fully recycled material production	C25	"Standards for Structural Design of Concrete" (GB 50010-2010)	
9	(VI) Tunnel and Bridge Fire Escape Structure	Bridge structure	853 m ²	C35	"Standards for Structural Design of Concrete" (GB 50010-2010)	Used for lower part of escape tunnel structure, recycled waste concrete
10	(VII) Yard Hardening	Recycled Concrete Pavement	Pending	C20	"Technical Details for Road Concrete Pavement Construction" (JT/T 730-2013)	Yard hardening

Product Indicators



Wear resistance



Resistance to ion erosion and carbonation

➤ Bridge and road surface durability requirements

Forward



Front-end classification - Recycled materials/Reused components



Recycled concrete paving

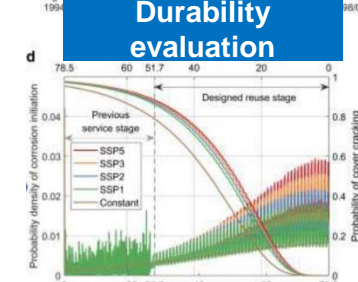
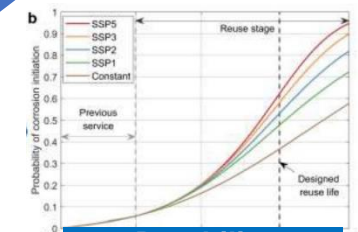
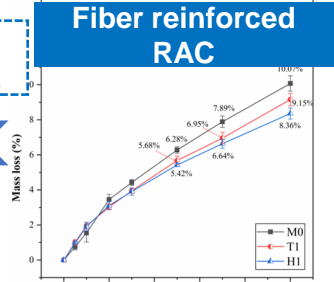
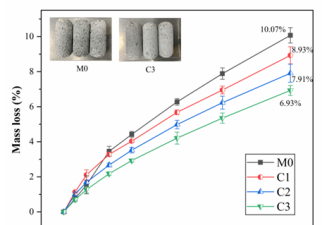
➤ Waste concrete recycling



Testing and reinforcement of old concrete components

➤ Reuse of old concrete components

High-value use



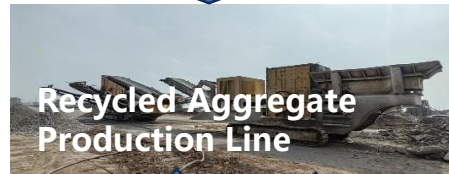
Resource Utilisation Forward and Reverse Practice

Western Land-Sea New Corridor (Pinglu) Canal Overpass Bridge Project (2024)

Forward Demand for Solid Waste Disposal from the Demolition of the Old Bridge



Reverse Demand for In-Situ Construction of the Replacement Bridge



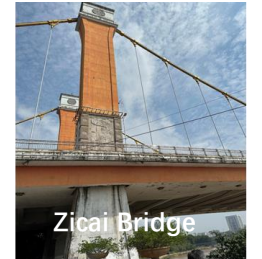
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In-situ utilisation of solid waste

Application Scenario: Bridge Deck

Strength grade: C50

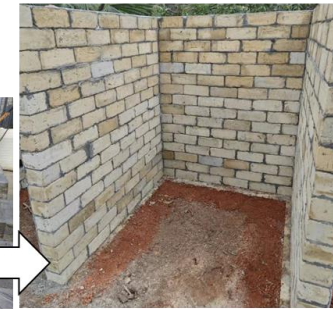
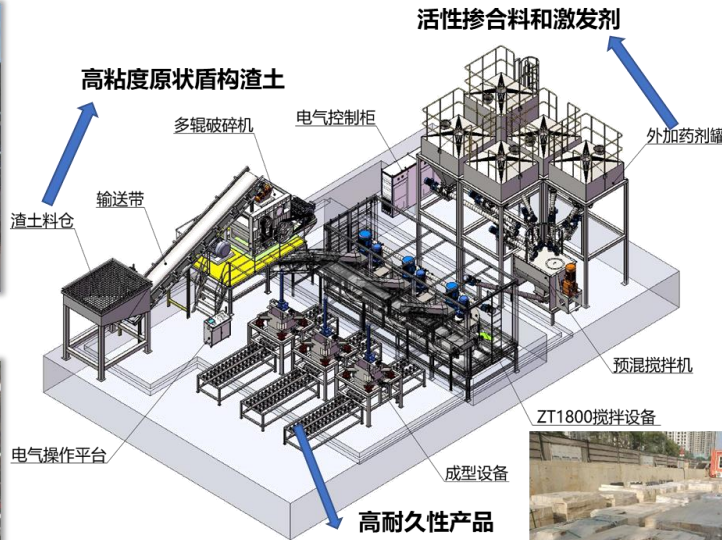
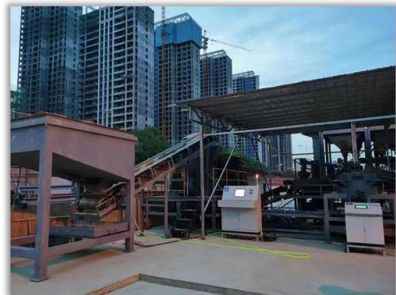
Substitution rate: 30%

Resource Utilisation Forward and Reverse Practice

Disposal process system based on multi-source sludge resourcefulness characteristics



Product lines based on application requirements



Solidified Soil Mixing Equipment



Fully Automatic Palletizing Machine



Engineering Muck Disposal Equipment - Roller Kiln



Changsha Original Shield Excavation Muck Pilot Line



The nation's first mixed fill soil and demolition waste disposal project

Beijing Universal Theme Park Mixed Fill Soil Recycling and Disposal Project

Resource Utilisation Forward and Reverse Practice

Lower level



Post-earthquake reconstruction in Wenchuan, 2008



Village

Beijing Koutou Village Rural Construction

Multi level



The first all-graded aggregate recycled concrete test building in China



Universal Studios Beijing



Beijing Winter Olympic Park



Tianjin Outer Ring Road Upgrading Project

Town

Higher level



A high-rise recycled concrete building in Shanghai



Shanghai Lingang Demonstration Project - Sponge System for the Landscape Belt around the Lake



Hangzhou-Shaoxing-Taizhou Expressway



Multi-category recycled low-carbon building materials system in Zhuhai along the river boulevard

City



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Conclusion

- Although the national recycling rate of construction waste has increased (35-40%), there is still a severe lack of high-quality, large-scale, and systematic application technologies. There is still a significant gap to reach the 55% target by 2030, and carbon reduction research in the recycling process is lacking.
- Further deepening research on forward planning and design from the physico-chemical properties of construction waste to the development of conventional building materials, while considering product performance feedback and engineering application needs, is a key focus of the resource-based forward and reverse collaborative planning application theory.
- Promoting the top-level design of "forward-reverse synergy planning and application of construction waste recycling" will help address the key scientific and technical challenges in China's construction waste recycling process and achieve systematic applications in various scenarios and levels.
- The carbon reduction, carbon sequestration potential, and optimization methods of various recycling stages, such as source pretreatment, collection and disposal, and the production and large-scale application of recycled products, need further improvement.
- International exchanges and standards are crucial and urgently needed.



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