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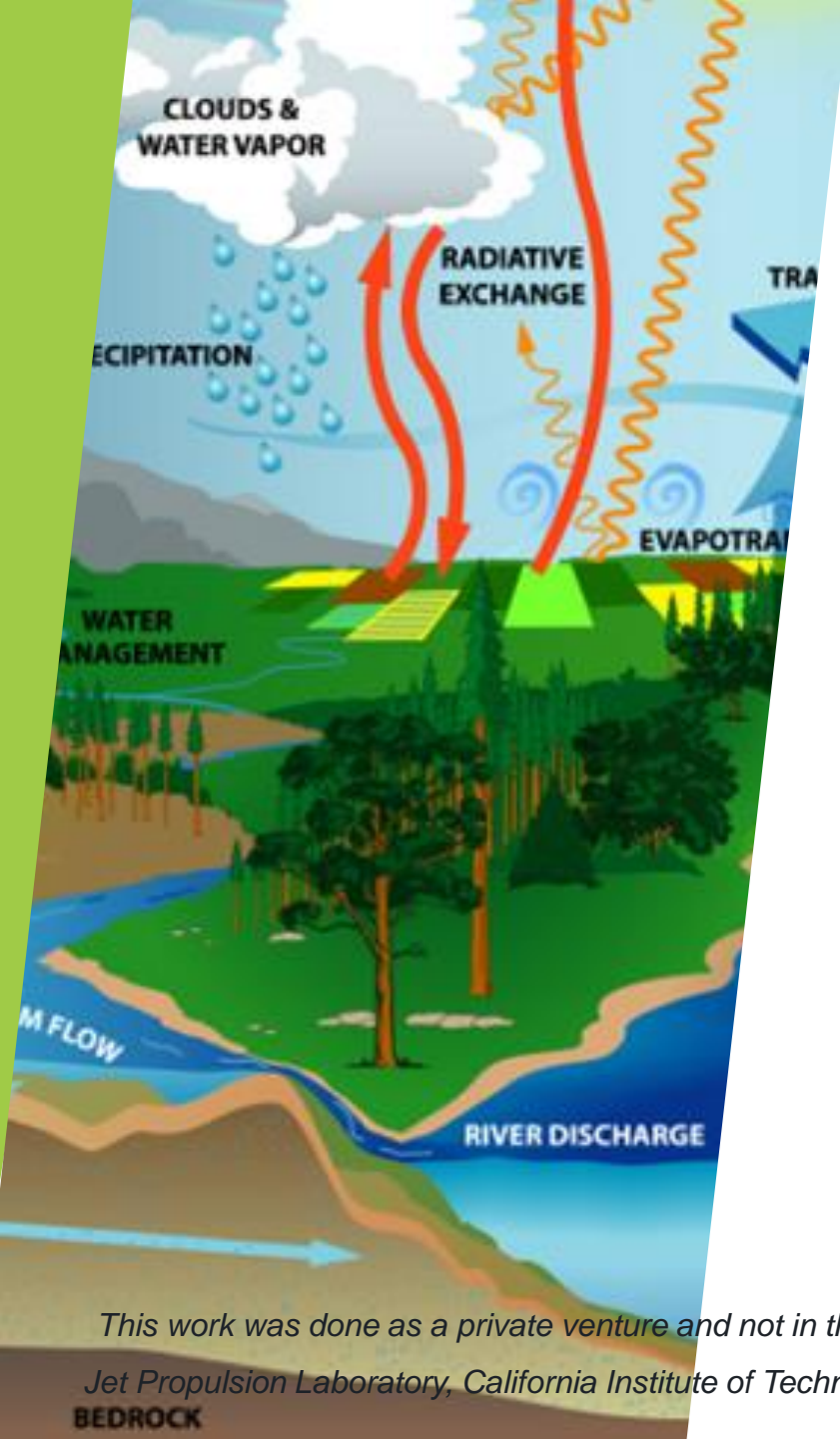
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EV (Electric Vehicle): technology and its implications on Climate Change

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Significant Interest in Electric Vehicles

There has been a lot of interest in EVs from various segments of our economy.

Namely,

- ▶ Consumers (Potential EV buyer)
- ▶ Environmental Activists (Sierra Club etc)
- ▶ Investors (Financial Markets)
- ▶ Government Officials (Politicians, policy maker)

In this lecture



Automotive Technologies



Fuel and Energy



Environmental Impact



Financial Opportunities

EV - Definition

- ▶ An **electric vehicle (EV)** is a vehicle that uses one or more electric motors or traction motors for propulsion.. (Wikipedia)

This is a traditional definition. There are other types of vehicles that employ electric motors, these are,

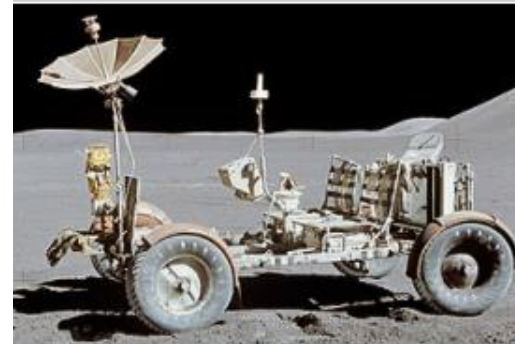
- a) Hybrid car,
- b) Plug-in hybrid car
- c) Hydrogen car.

Some History

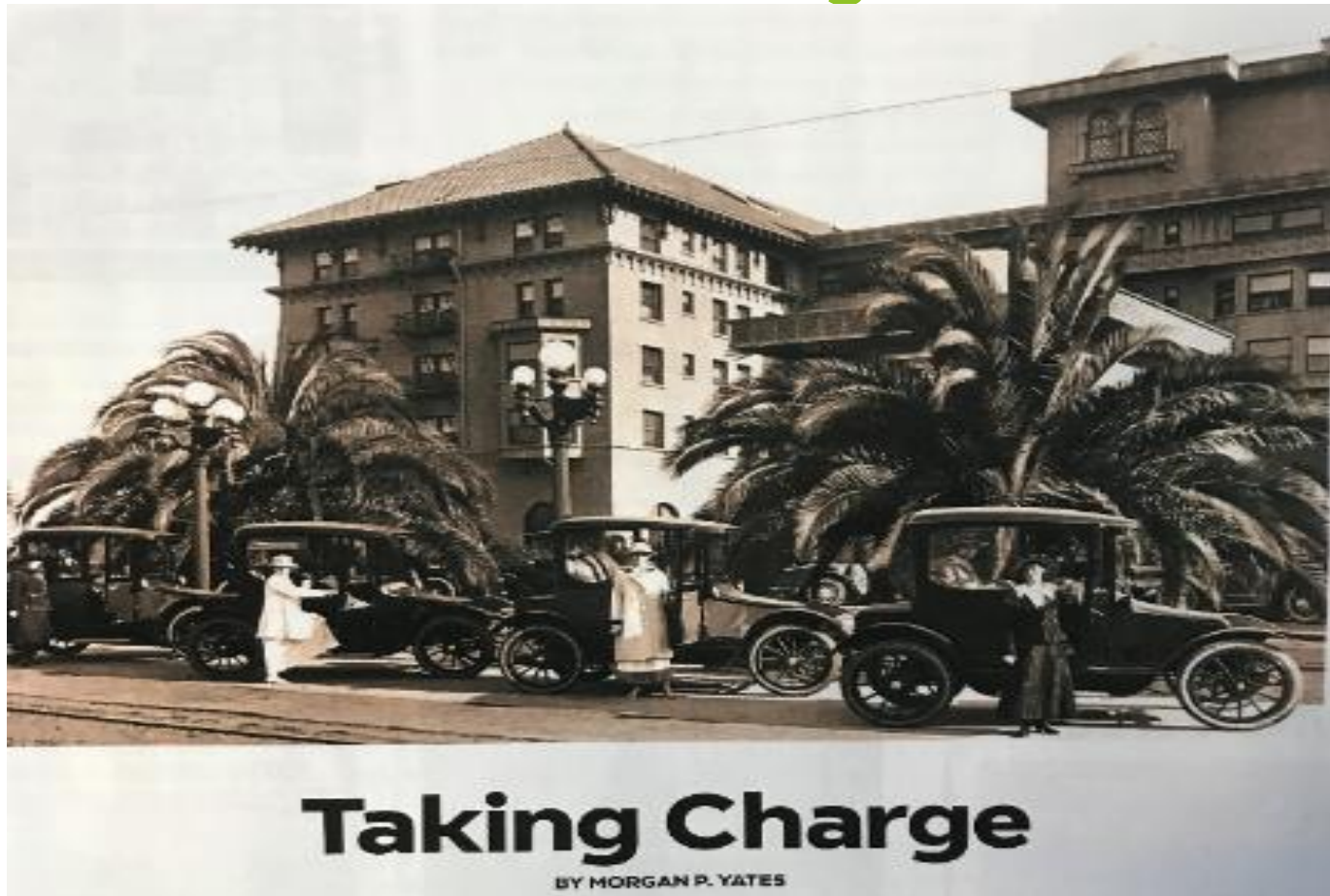
- ▶ First Electric Car was built by French Electrical Engineer named Gustav Trouve in 1881.
- ▶ Belgian vehicle La Jamais Contente was the first electric car to reach 100kmh in 1899.
- ▶ The Lunar Roving Vehicle (LRV) is the most well known electric vehicle. It was driven on the moon's surface. It was most popularly known as Moon Buggy.



La Jamais Contente



Beardsley Electric Car Rally in 1919 for ladies in Long Beach



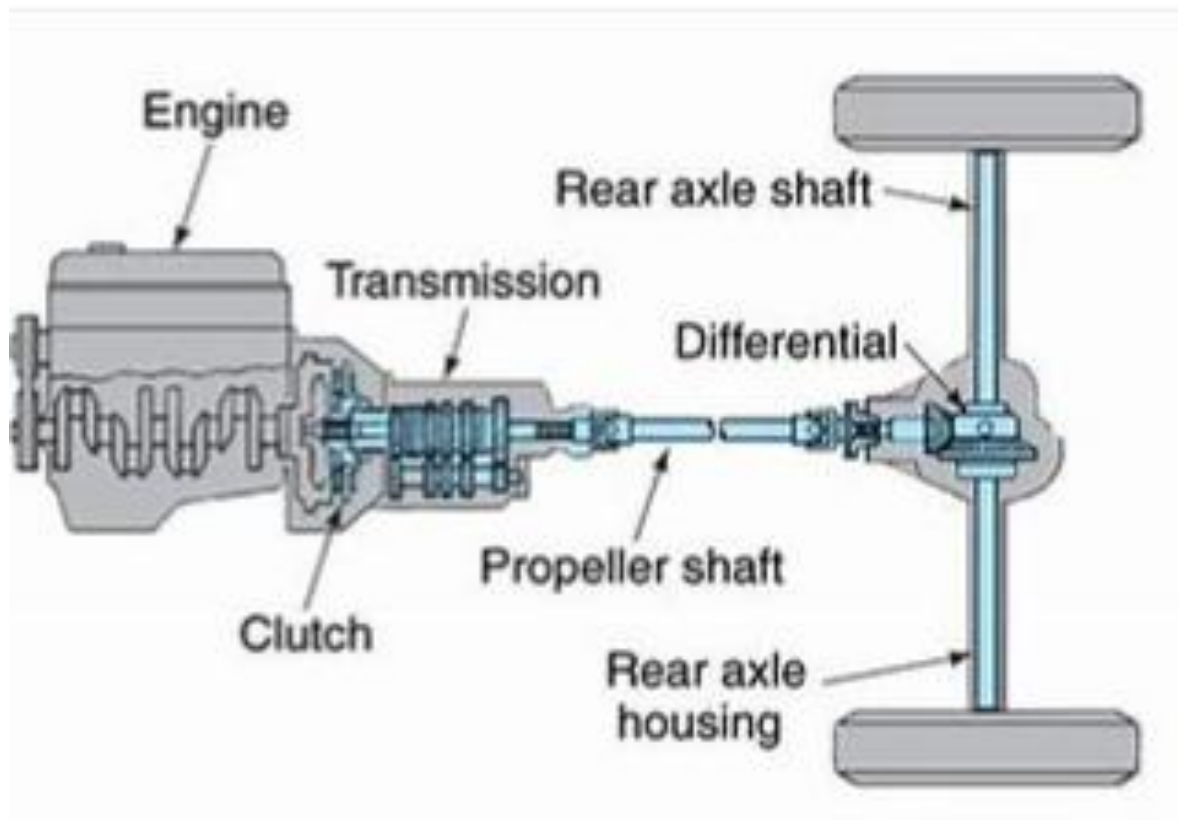
Beardsley Electric Cars were gaining popularity among women in 1920s because starting an ICE car with a crank shaft was difficult & dangerous.

Cadillac installed electric starters in its cars which reduced the appeal of electric cars.

Automotive Technology

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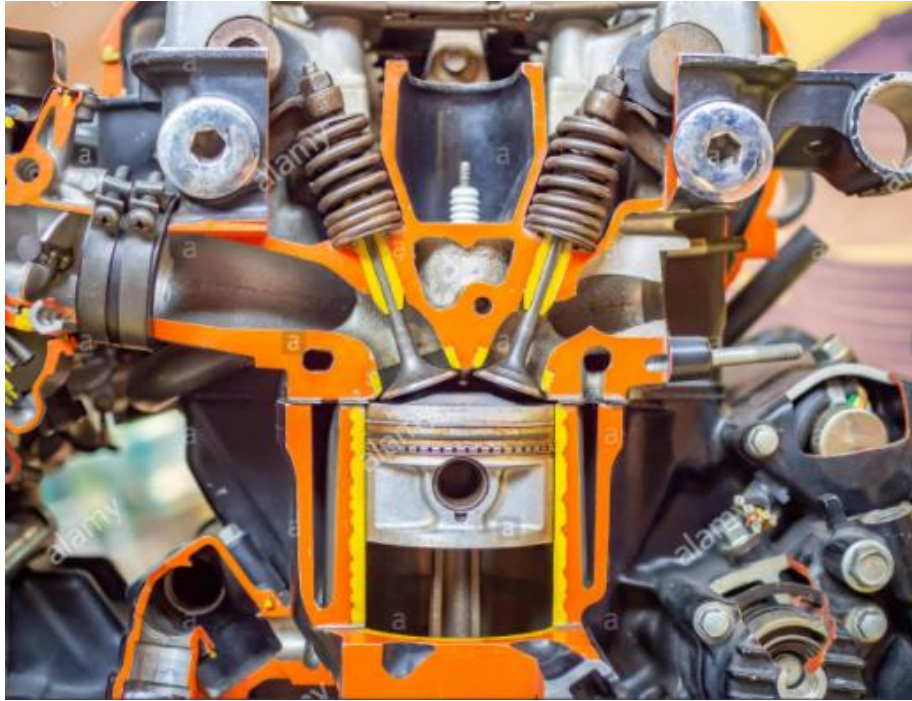
Gasoline Vehicle - ICEV: Internal Combustion Engine Vehicle ICE Drive Train



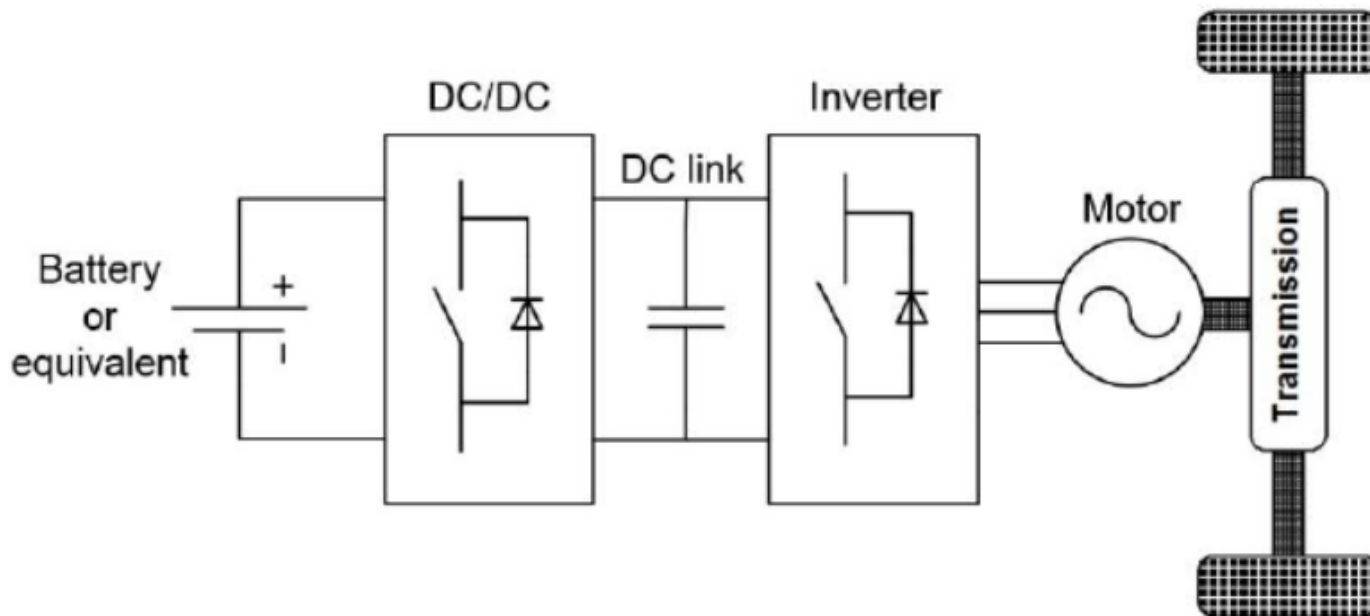
Part Descriptions

- ▶ Engine: Engine converts energy in fuel to rotational mechanical motion.
- ▶ Transmission : Transmission converts torque and speed of rotational motion of the engine axle to the required torque and speed of the wheel axle.
- ▶ Differential : Differential splits the torque from the transmission between two wheels. This allows the two wheels to spin independently at different speeds.
- ▶ Wheels : Wheels carry the weight of the car. They also spin to move the car forward or backward.

Internal Combustion Engine or ICE



Electric Power Train

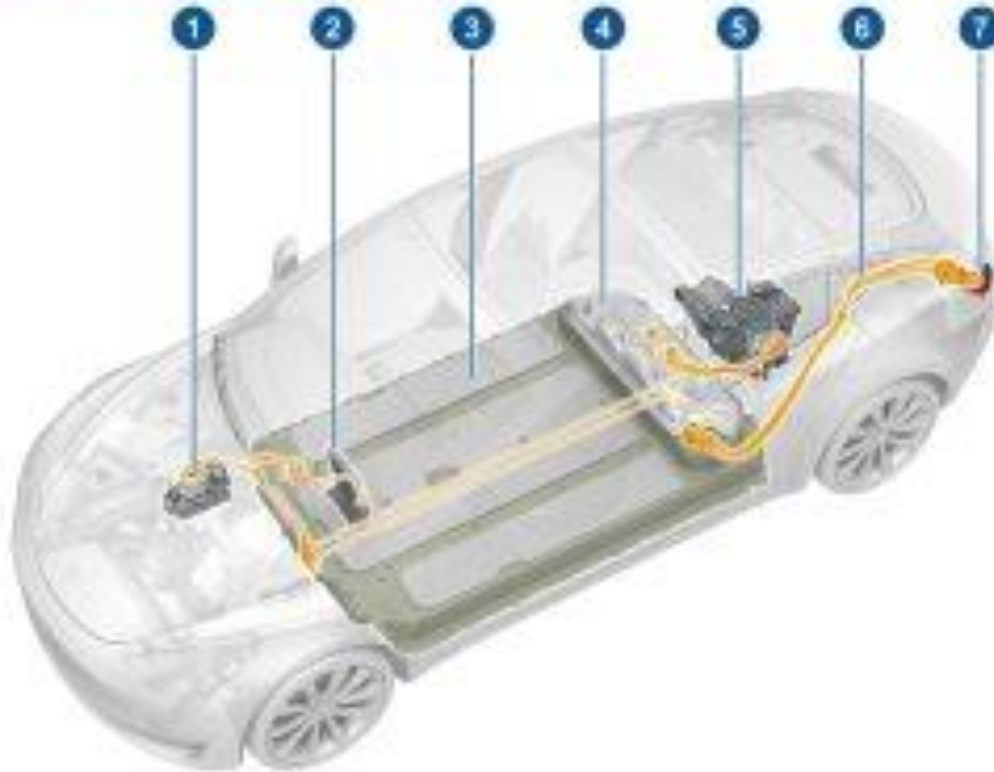


EV Part Descriptions

- ▶ **Battery:** Battery stores energy in the form of electric charge
- ▶ **Electric Motor:** Motor converts energy (Charge) in the battery to rotational mechanical motion.
- ▶ **Transmission:** Transmission converts torque and speed of rotational motion of the engine axle to the required torque and speed of the wheel axle.
- ▶ **Differential :** Differential splits the torque from the transmission between two wheels . This allows the two wheels to spin independently at different speeds.
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Electric Vehicle

HIGH VOLTAGE COMPONENTS



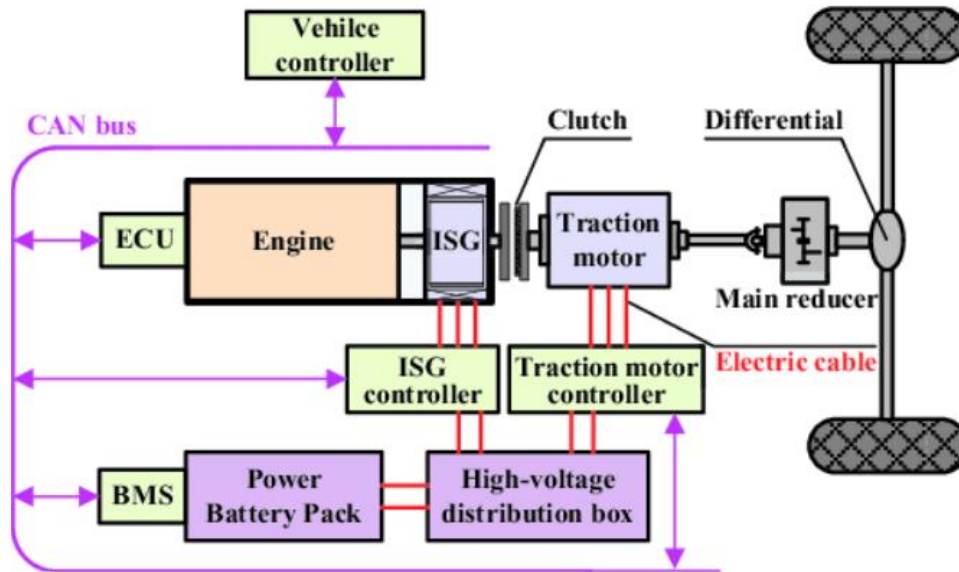
1. A/C Compressor
2. Cabin Heater
3. High Voltage Battery
4. High Voltage Battery Service Panel
5. Rear Drive Unit
6. High Voltage Cabling
7. Charge Port

Four wheel drive EV



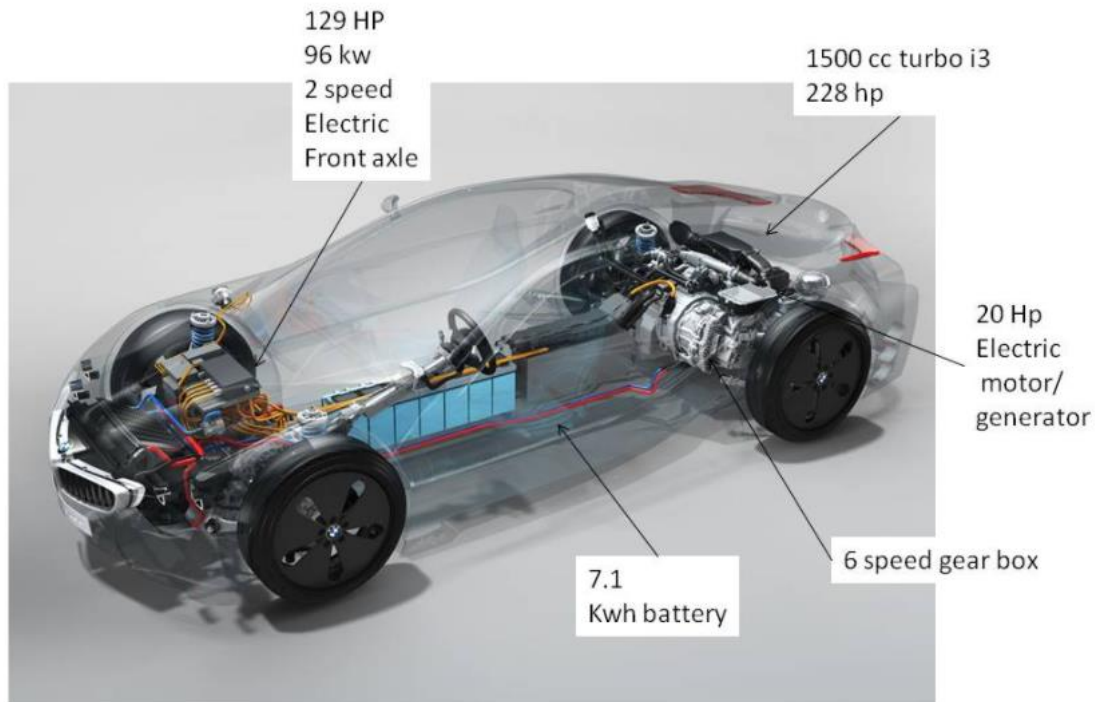
- ▶ Four wheel drive used for acceleration
- ▶ Motor drive to two wheels can be turned off at high speeds to save energy.
- ▶ Better traction and control slippery conditions.

ICE + EV Hybrid



- ▶ Hybrid vehicles have electric and combustion engines.
- ▶ Each engine is used to drive the wheel at the speed where they are most efficient.
- ▶ Hybrid cars have onboard generators driven by combustion engines.
- ▶ When the combustion engine is idling it drives the generator to charge the batteries.
- ▶ Hybrid vehicles have regenerative braking. When brakes are applied the electric engine is rotated by the wheels turning it into a electric generator. The electricity generated charges the batteries.

BMW i8 Hybrid Car



BMW i8 Powertrain Layout

Questions ?/
Discussion



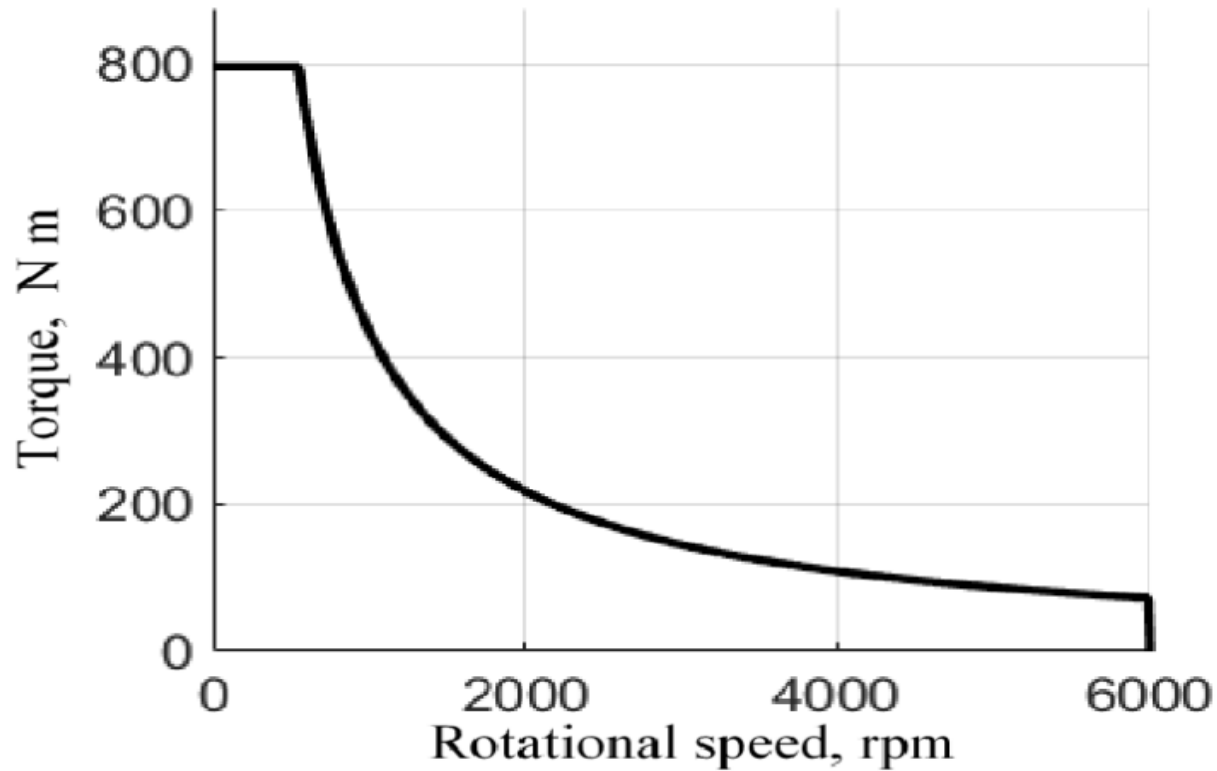
Some Definitions

- ▶ **Torque** : Torque is defined as rotational force. The unit of torque is N-m in metric system. lbs-force-ft in English system.
- ▶ **Rotational Speed** : Rotational speed is defined as the speed at which an axle turns. Unit of rotational speed is rpm or rotation per minute.
- ▶ Example: Closest example to our every day life is turning a screwdriver.
- ▶ Torque is how hard you turn a screwdriver.
- ▶ Speed is how fast you turn the screwdriver.



- ▶ **Horsepower** : Horsepower is the measure of rate at which work is done. A HP equivalent to lifting 33000 lbs, 1 ft in 1 minute

Torque requirement for a car



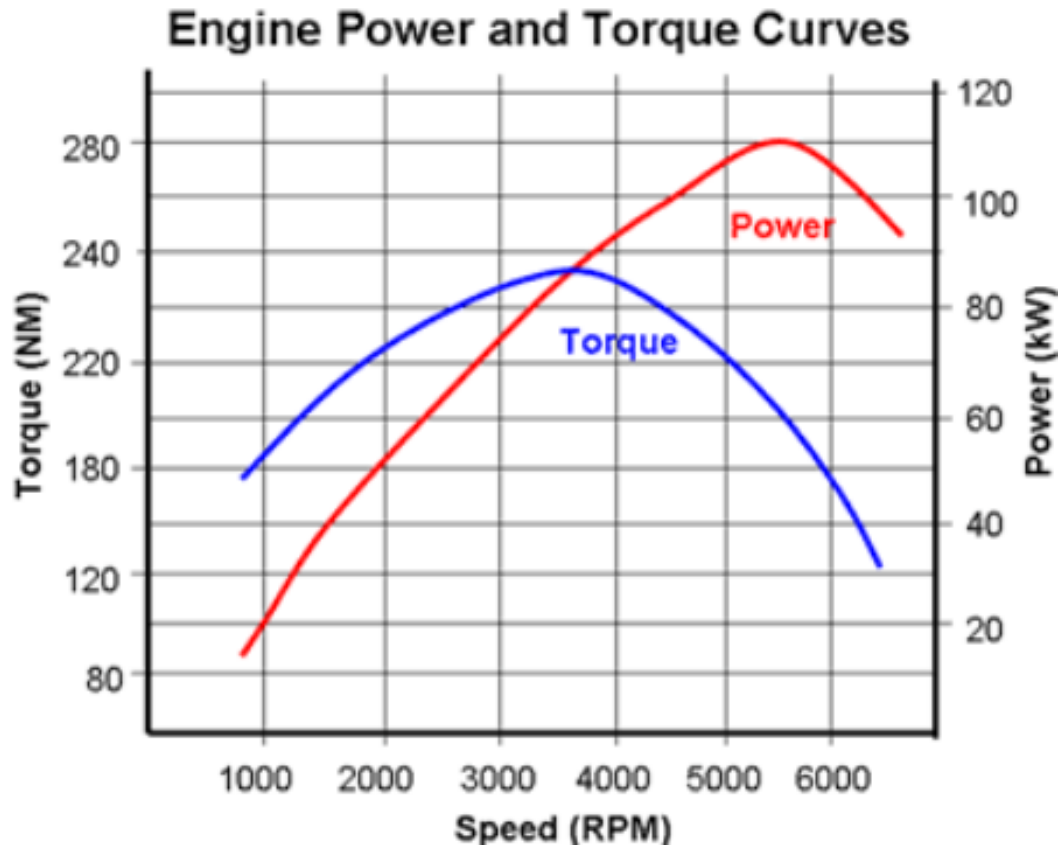
0 mph



70 mph



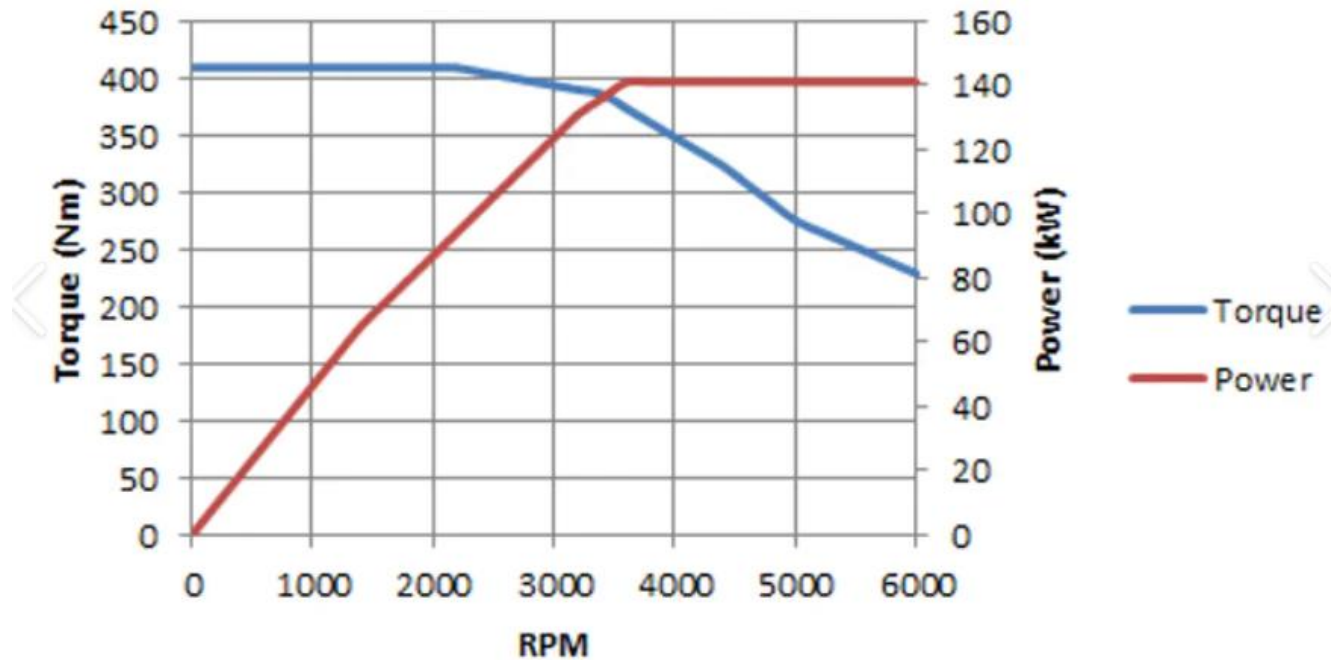
Torque Vs speed for ICE



- ▶ **Idle Speed** : ICE can generate useful torque at speeds greater than 800 rpm.
- ▶ **Torque** : ICE generates maximum torque near 3000 rpm

Torque Vs speed curve for Electric motor

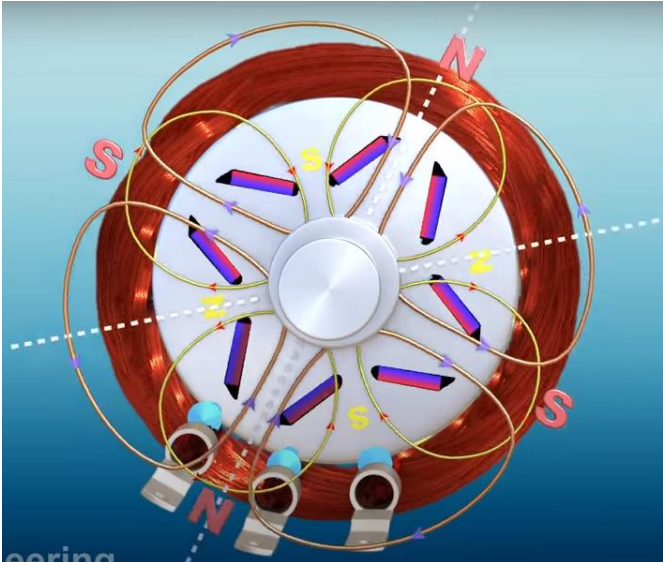
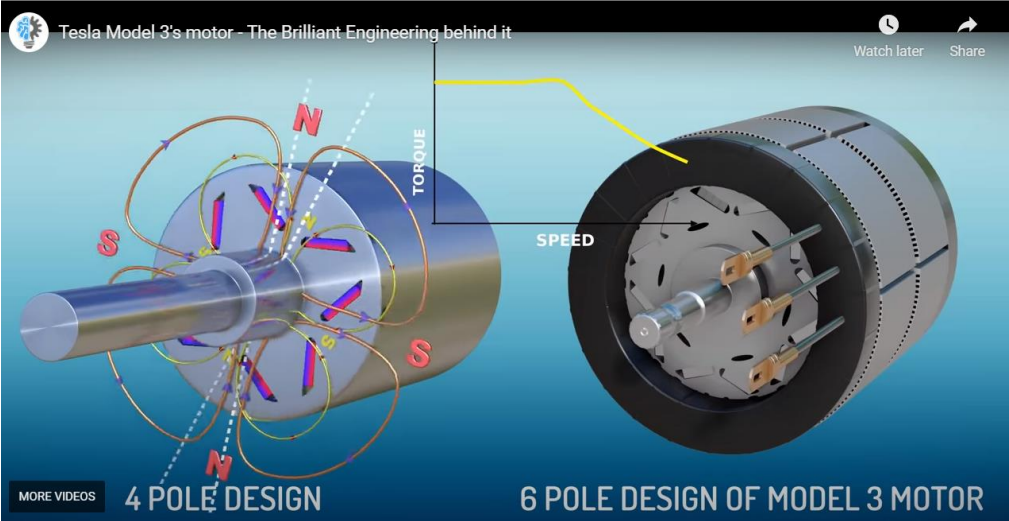
Typical Electric Motor Torque & Power Curves



Electric Motor

Efficiency 97%

Tesla Model 3's IPM-SynRM Electric Motor Explained

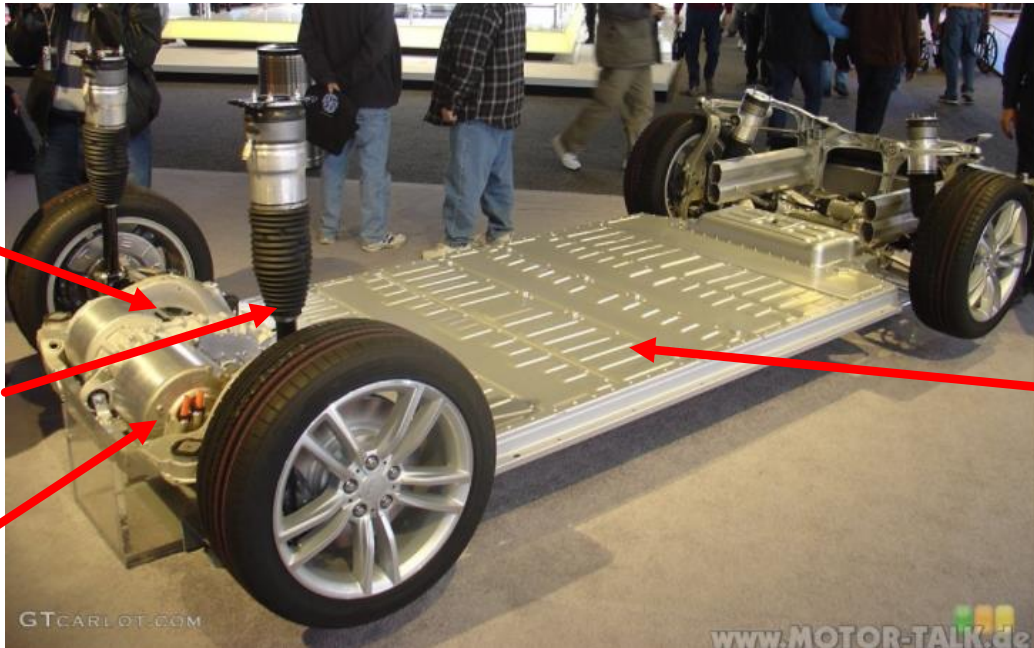


Tesla Chassis with Electric Drive Train (The Skateboard)

Transmission/
Differential

Suspension

Motor



Battery

Question: You mentioned that EVs have transmission. But I read that EVs don't have transmission. The electric motor is directly connected to the wheels.

Answer: EVs don't have transmissions in traditional sense. In traditional transmission the gear ratio between the engine drive shaft and the wheel axle is dynamically changed based on the torque requirement. In an EV the gear ratio is fixed between motor shaft and the wheel axle. So EVs have a fixed gear box. These are much more efficient and reliable.



Electric Vs Mechanical Drive train



ELECTRIC
ALL-WHEEL DRIVE

VS.

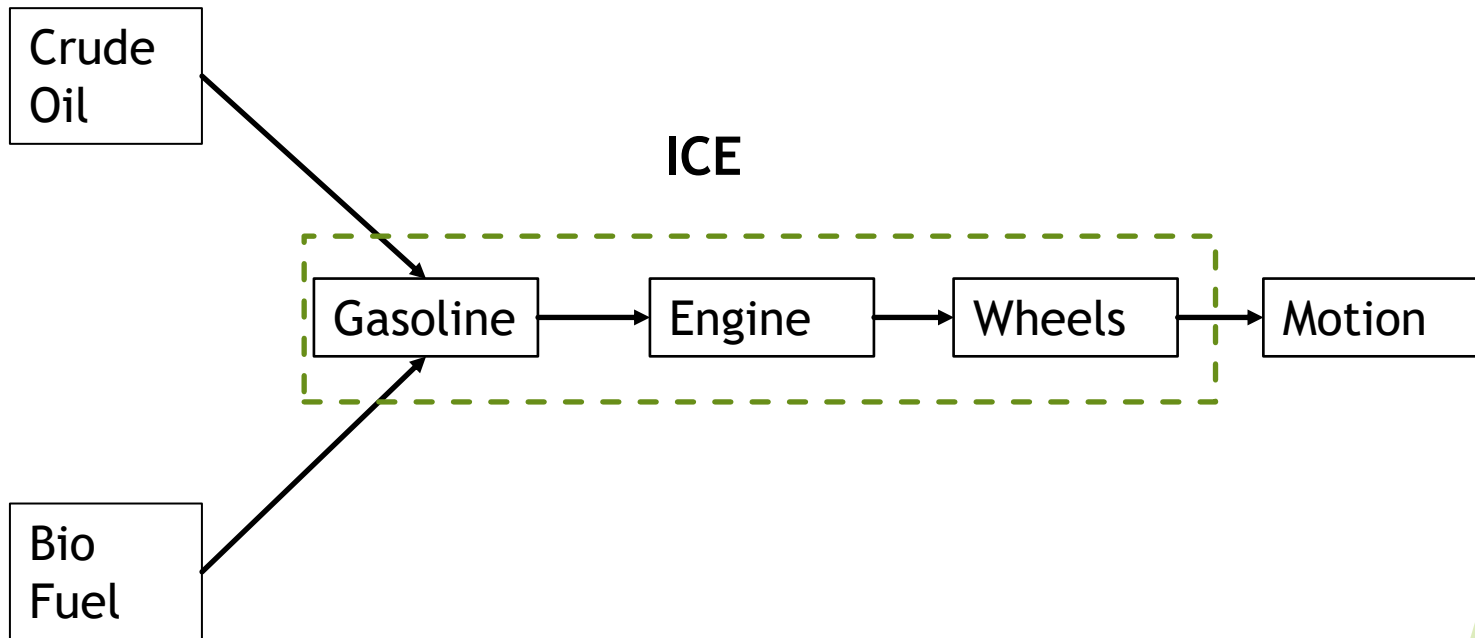
MECHANICAL
ALL-WHEEL DRIVE



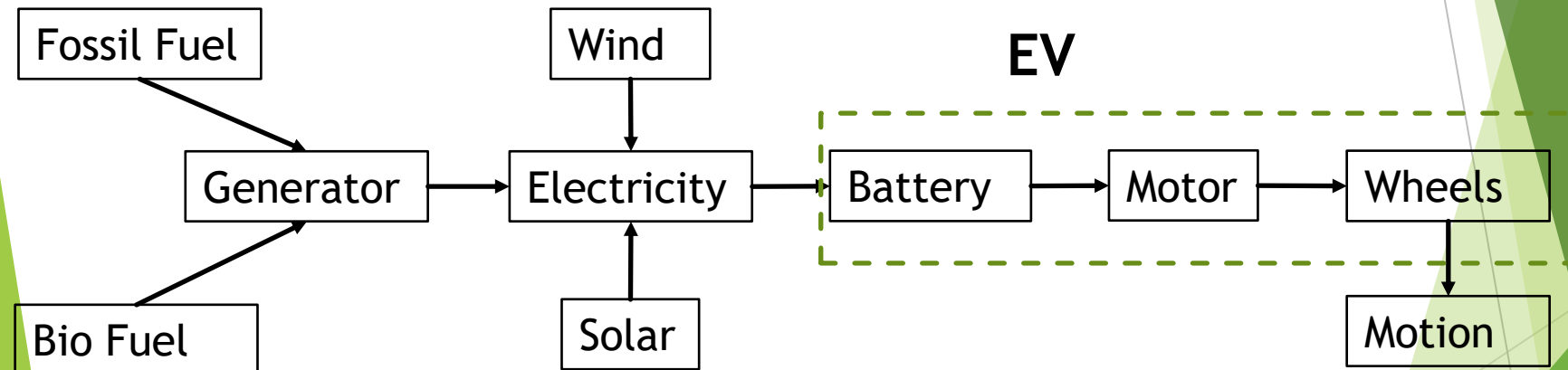
Electric Vs Mechanical Drive train

No	Part Description	Weight (lbs)	
		Electric	Mechanical
1	Engine/Motor	60-80	300-500
2	Transmission	100-200	200-400
3	Differential	175	175
4	invertor	50-100	-
5	Battery	1200	-
6	Gas + Tank		125

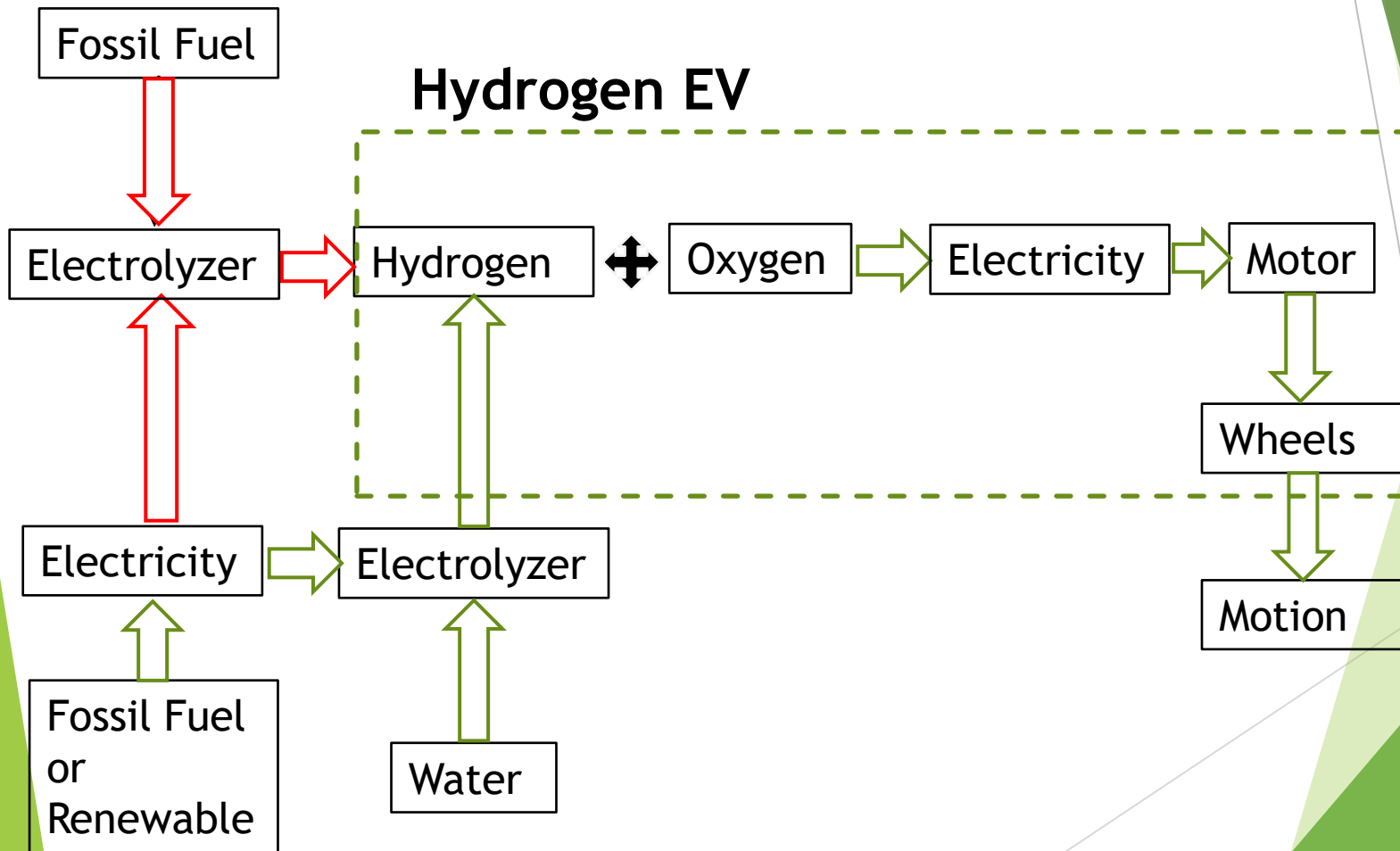
Fuel Cycle for ICE



Fuel Cycle for EV



Hydrogen Fuel Cycle



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Discussion



Fuel and Energy

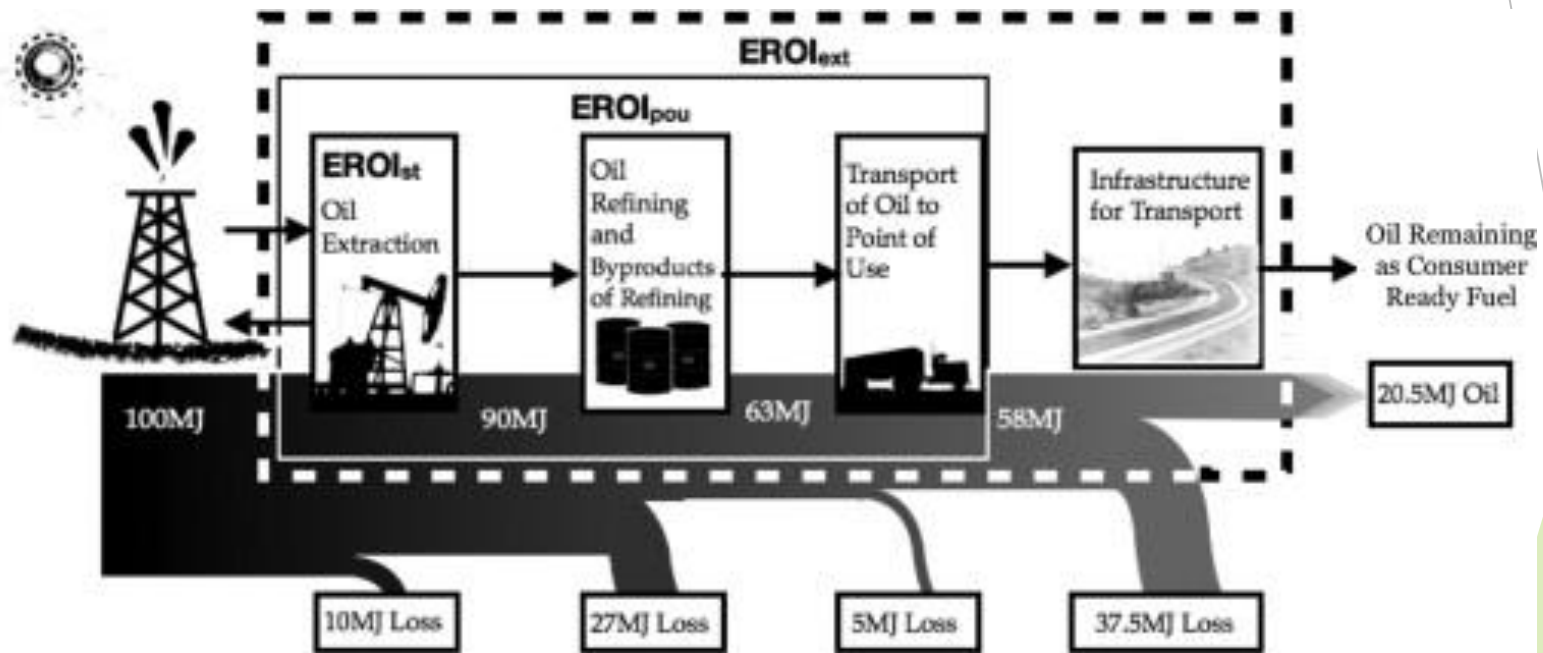
- ▶ Gasoline : Extracted from crude oil. It is a type of fossil fuel. Most ICE automobiles use gasoline as fuel.
- ▶ Electricity : Generated from burning Fossil fuel or Nuclear or Alternate Energy
- ▶ Alternate Energy = Wind + Geothermal + Solar + Bio fuels + Hydro Electric + Ocean
- ▶ Hydrogen : Hydrogen is generated by splitting water or fossil fuels with electrolyzers. Electrolyzers use electricity .

Crude Oil Reserves

Crude oil is finite resource

Proven reserves (millions of barrels)	U.S. EIA (start of 2020)[2]		Reserves-to-production ratio	
Country	Rank	Reserves	Production (million bbl/year, 2016)[1]	Years
Venezuela	1	302,809	831.1	362
Saudi Arabia	2	267,026	3818.1	78
Canada	3	167,896	1336.8	126
Iran	4	155,600	1452.9	109
Iraq	5	145,019	1624.8	88
Kuwait	6	104,000	1067.2	95
UAE	7	98,630	1133.7	86
Russia	8	80,000	3851.3	21
Libya	9	48,363	366.1	131
United States	10	47,053	3239.7	10

Crude to gas extraction efficiency (20.5%)



Energy Return on Energy Investment (EROEI) for Oil

- ▶ Middle Eastern Oil – 30 : 1
- ▶ Shale Oil (Colorado, Wyoming)– 3: 1
- ▶ Heavy Oil (Venezuela, Canada)-7:1
- ▶ Deep Sea Offshore- 3:1
- ▶ Abandoned Wells – 20:1

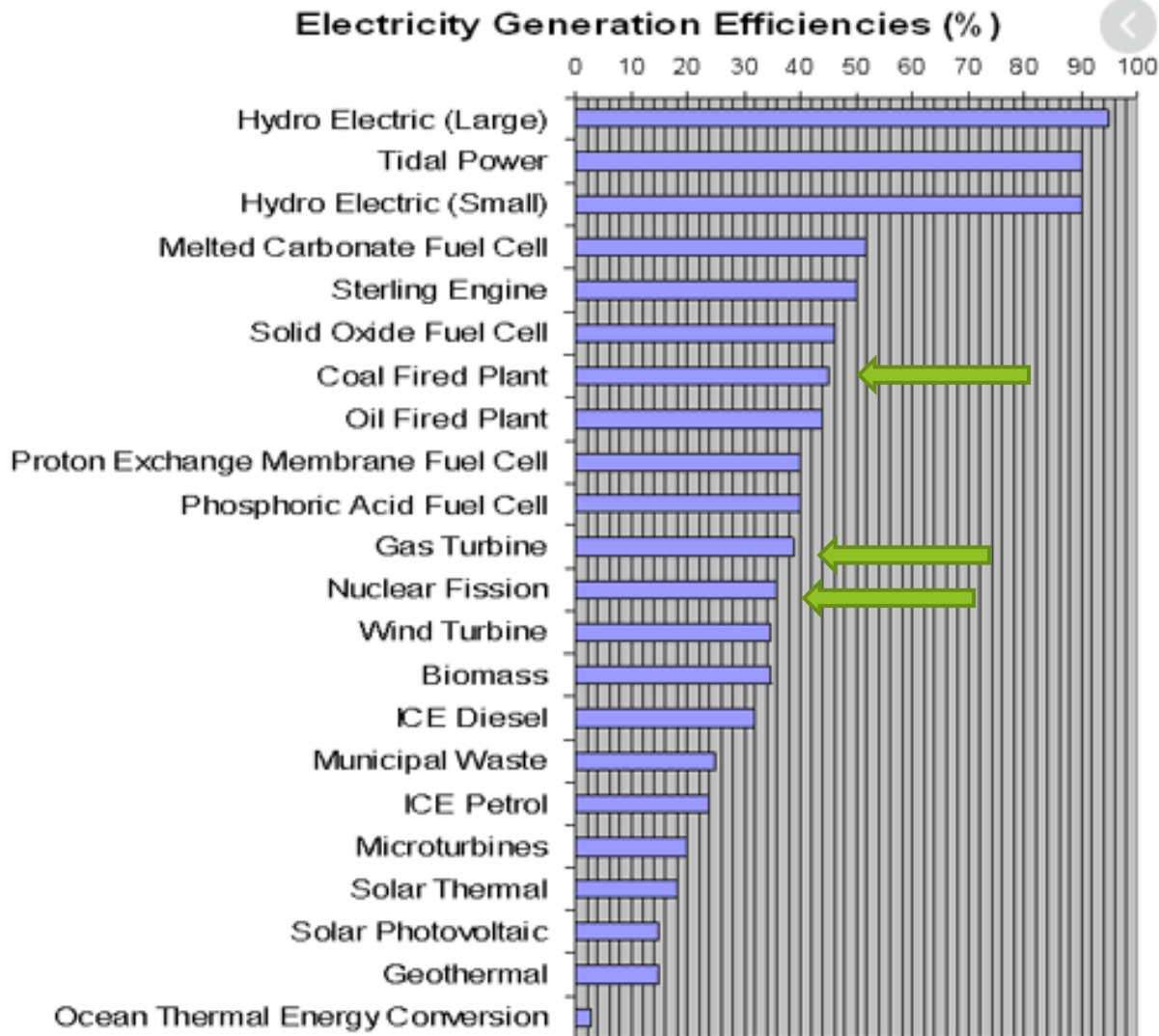
Efficiency of Engines

- ▶ Efficiency is calculated by :
(Mechanical energy/Energy in fuel) x 100
- ▶ ICE : 33% - 36%
- ▶ Diesel : 40%-44%
- ▶ Electric Motor : 97% (Tesla Claims)

Units of Energy & Power

- ▶ Energy : Joules , Calorie
- ▶ Power : Watt=Joules/s
- ▶ Kilowatt = 1000 Watts
- ▶ Kilowatt-hour = Energy consumed when one kilowatt of power is used for 1 hour = 3.6 Mega Joules.
- ▶ I.e 100 W bulb left on for 10 hours will consume (100x10) 1 Kilowatt-hour of energy

Electric Power generation Efficiency



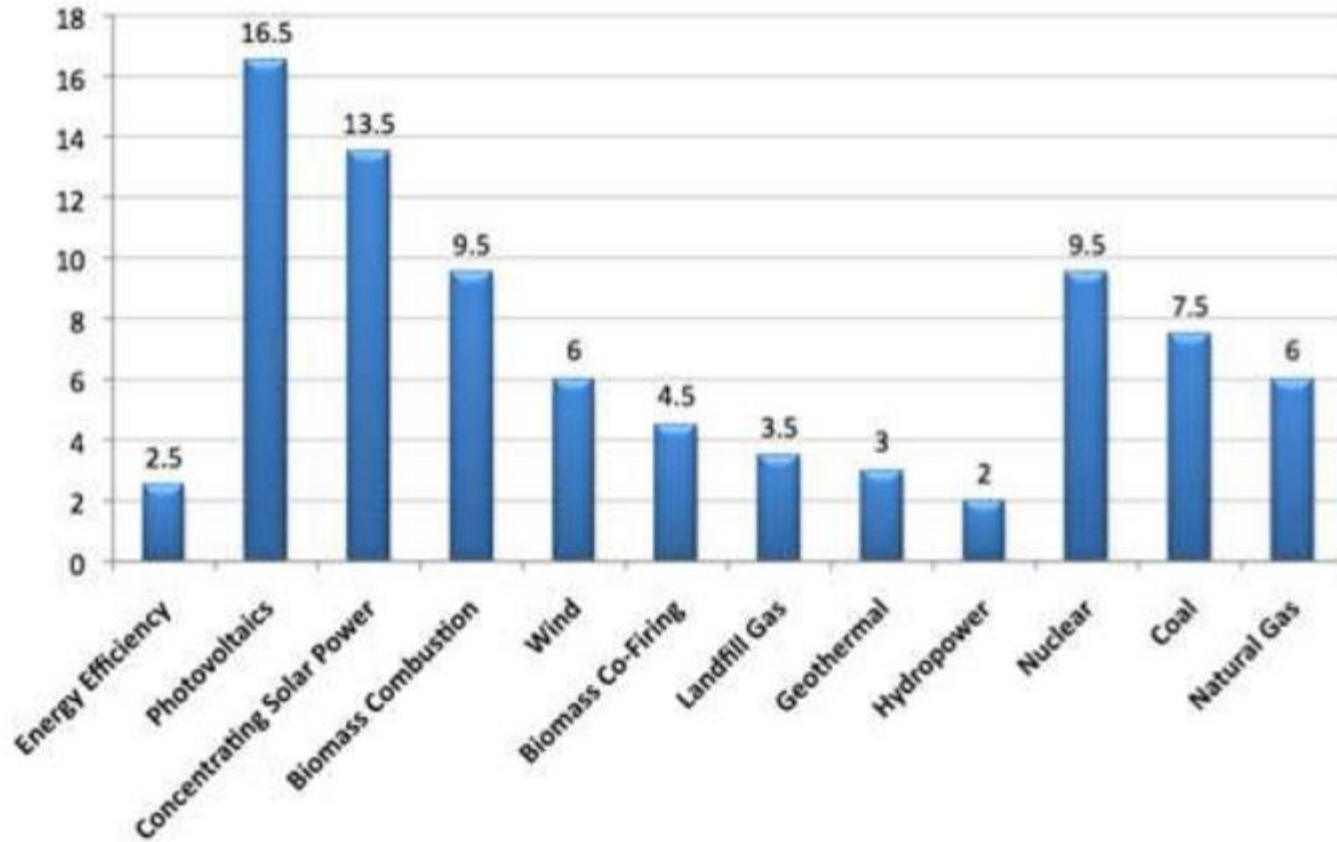
Gas, Electricity and battery

- ▶ 1 gallon of gas contains 33.7 kWh of energy
- ▶ 1 gallon of gas weighs 6 pounds
- ▶ 1 gallon of gas costs \$3.35 in California, \$2.15 in Texas
- ▶ 33.7 kWh of energy @ \$0.18/kWh costs \$6.07
- ▶ A 33.7 kWh battery weighs 475.5 lbs.

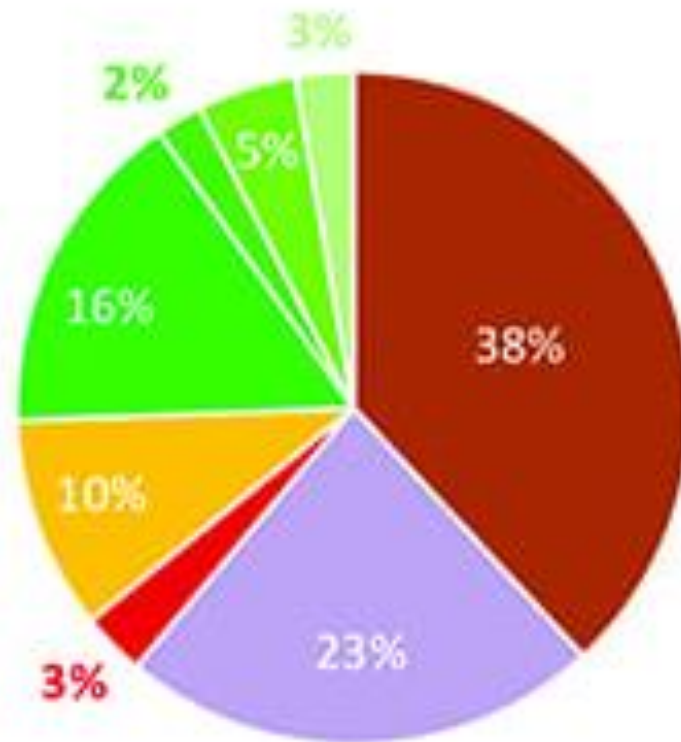
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Cost Breakdown in per kWh



Power generation from different Fuels 2018



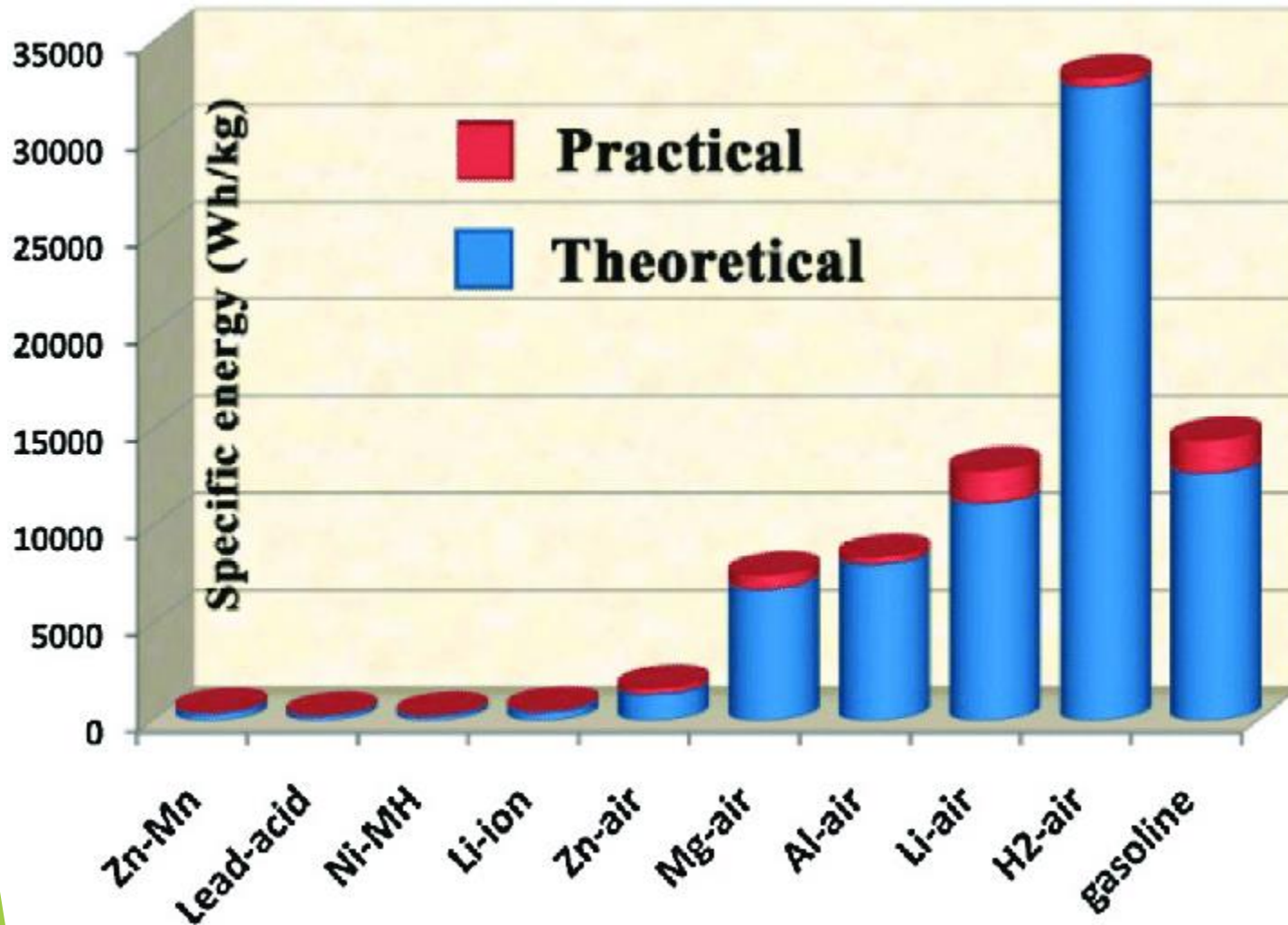
- Coal*
- Natural gas*
- Oil*
- CCUS
- Nuclear
- Hydro
- Solar PV
- Wind
- Other renewables

Specific Energy, Energy Density & CO2

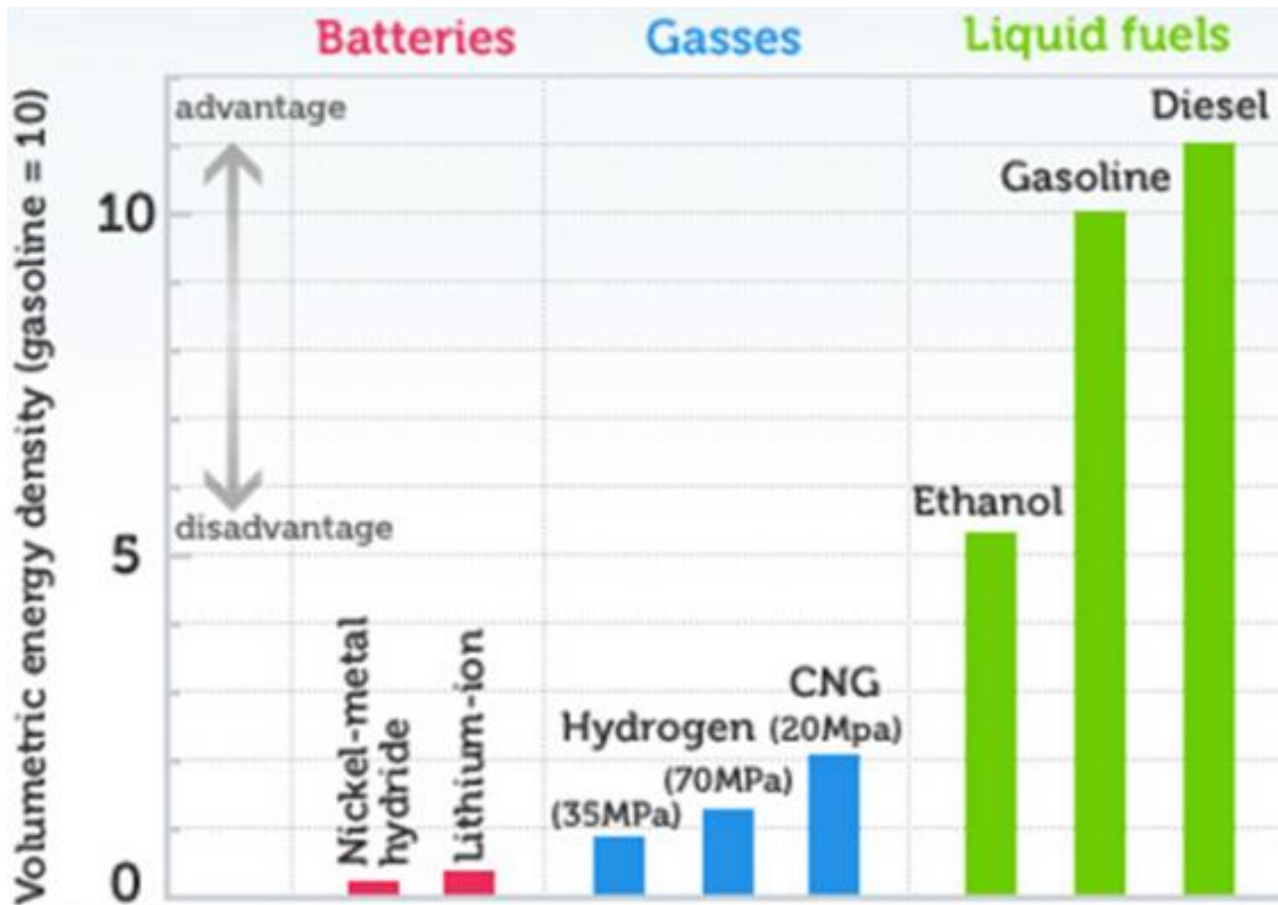
Fuel	Specific Energy	Density	Chemical	lbs CO2/gal
	kJ/g	KWH/gal	Formula	
Propane	50.4	26.8	C3H8	13
Ethanol	29.7	24.7	C2H5OH	13
Gasoline	46.5	36.6	C7H16	20
Diesel	45.8	40.6	C12H26	22
Biodiesel	39.6	35.0	C18H32O2	19
Methane	55.8	27.0	CH4	3
Oil	47.9	40.5	C14H30	20
Wood	14.9	11.3	approx weight	9
Coal	30.2	22.9	approx weight	19
Hydrogen	141.9	10.1	H2	0

[energy density of gasoline - Google Search](#)

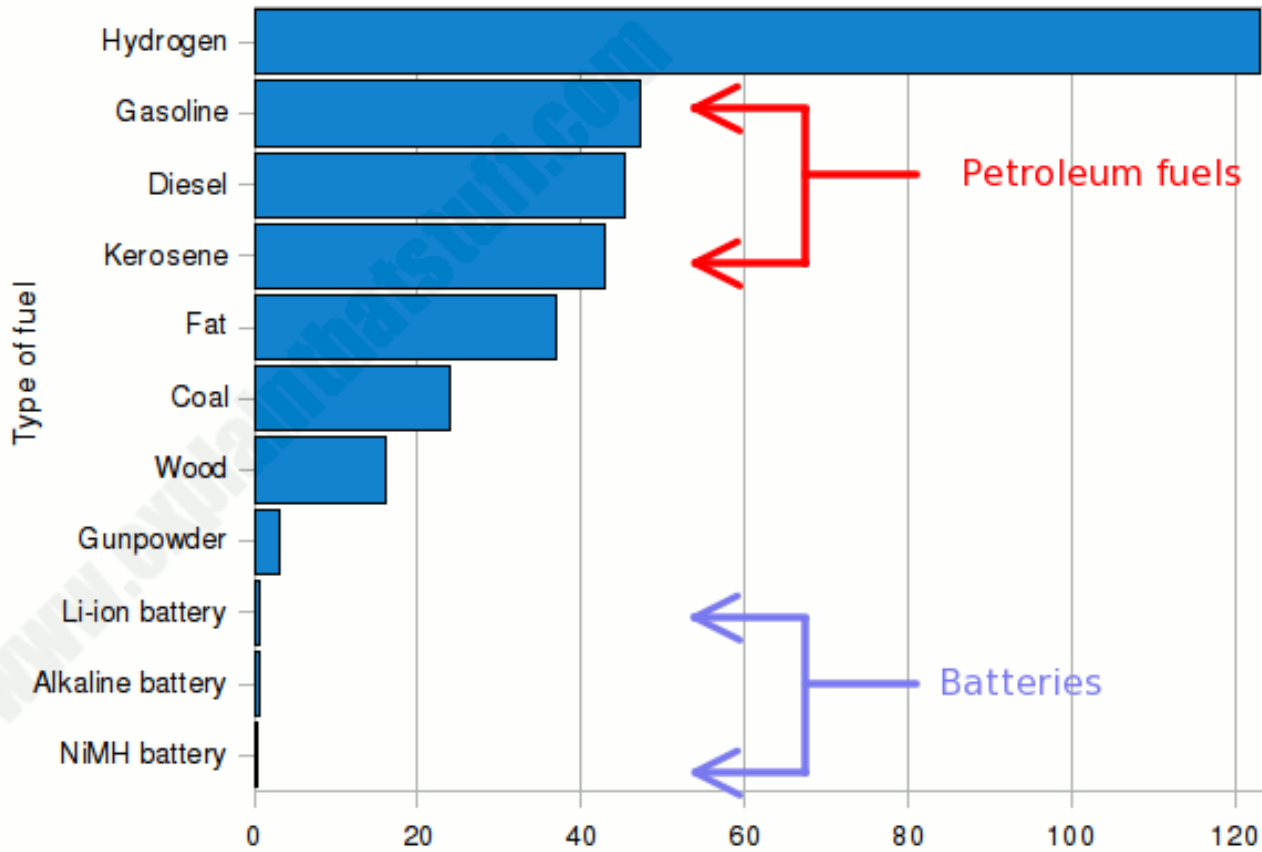
Specific Energy of Fuels/Battery



Volumetric Energy density of Fuels and battery



Energy stored

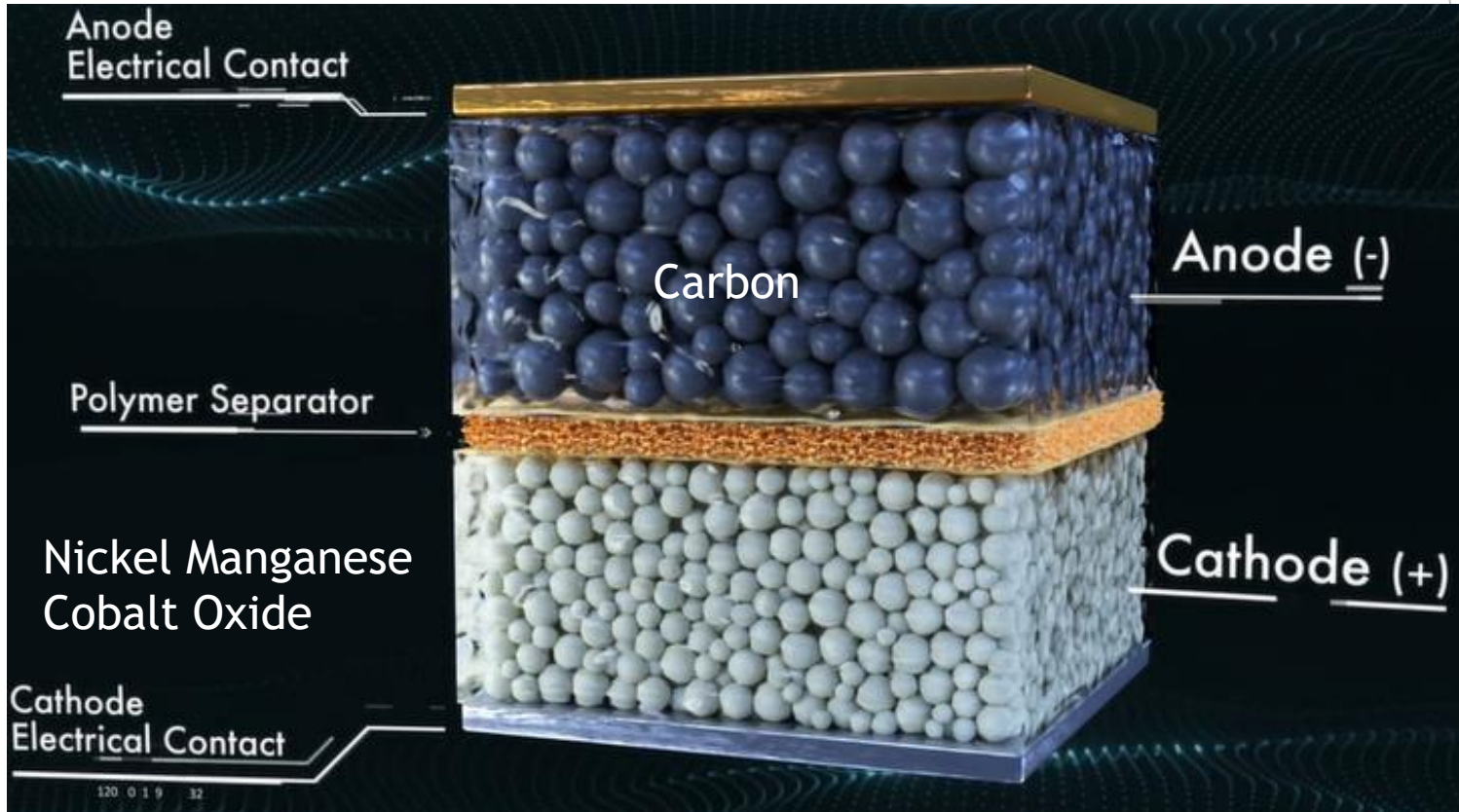


Megajoules per kilogram

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Battery Tech : Lithium Ion



Battery Tech : Solid State Lithium Metal (Quantumscape, Inc)



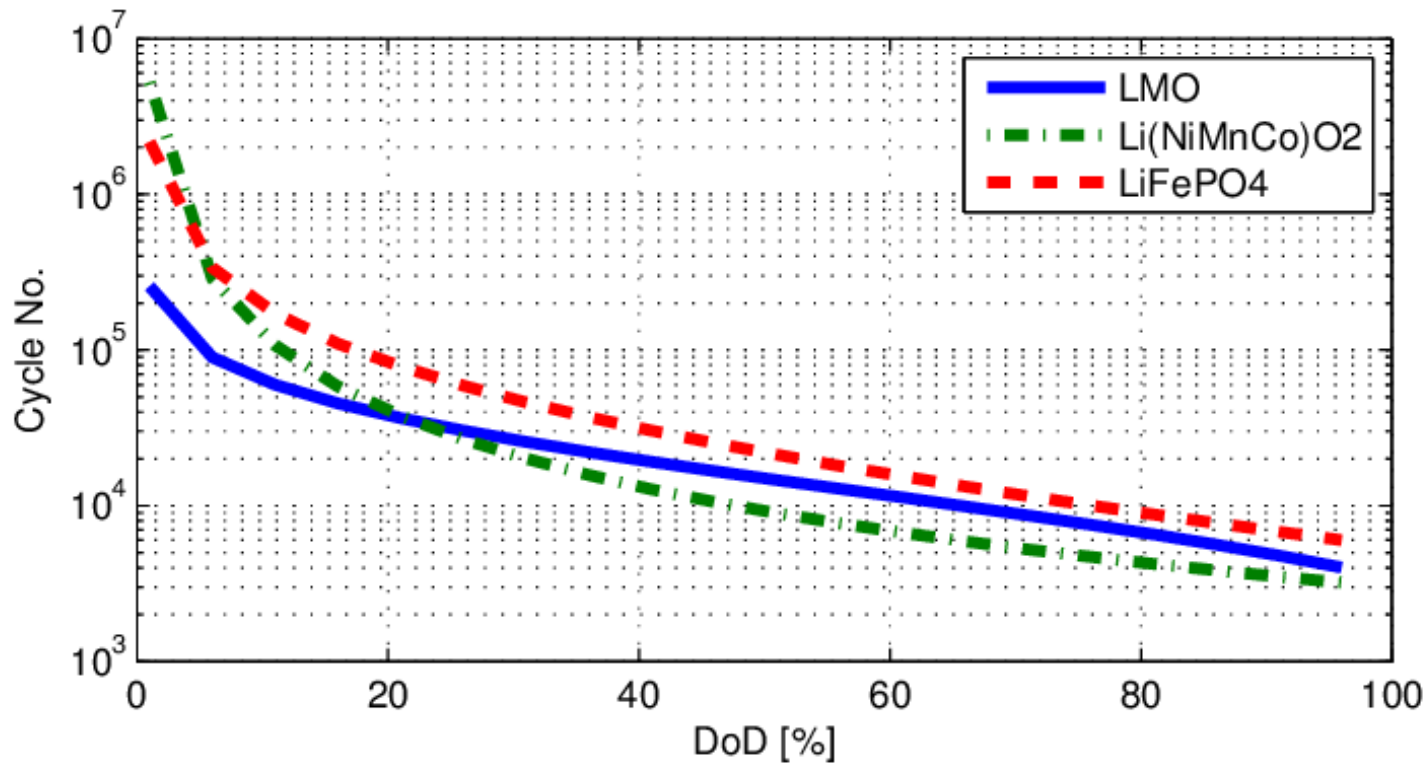
Battery Form factor : Tesla Lithium Ion vs GM Ultium



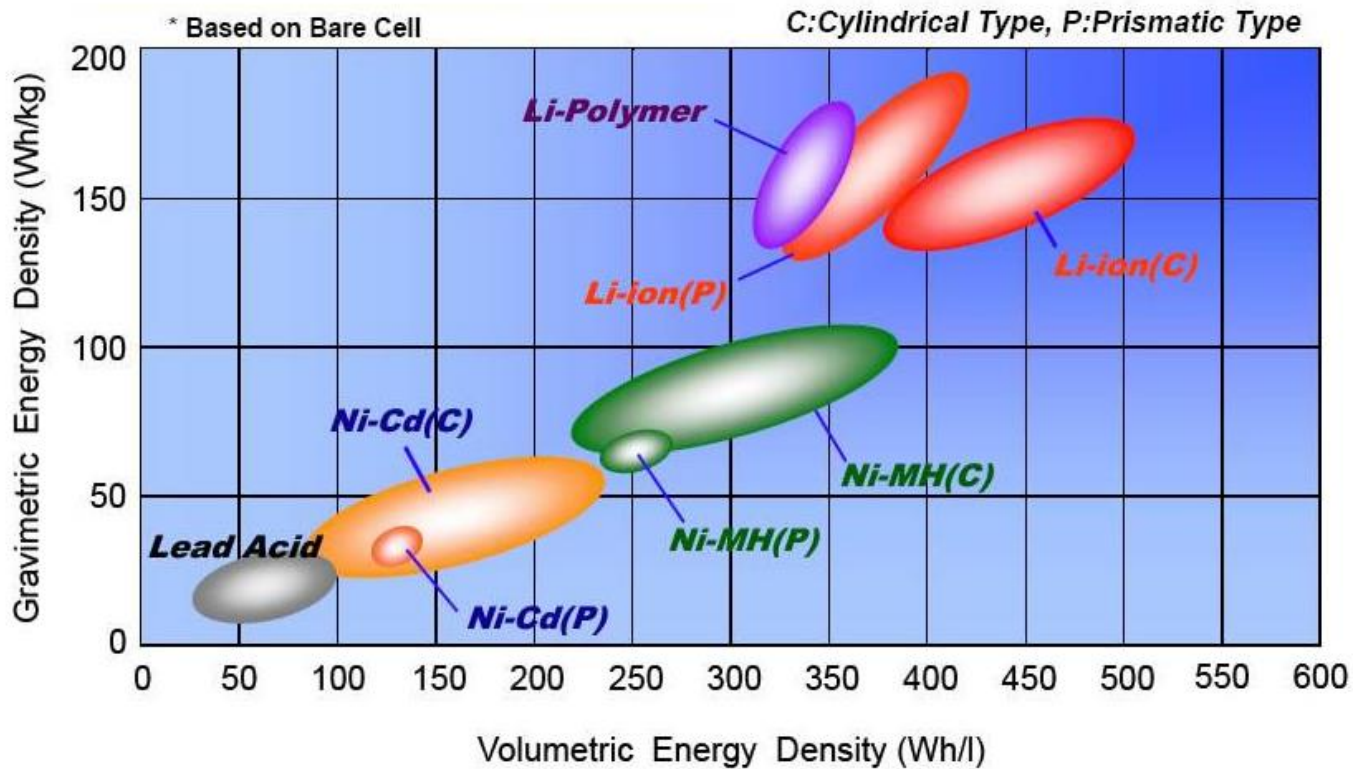
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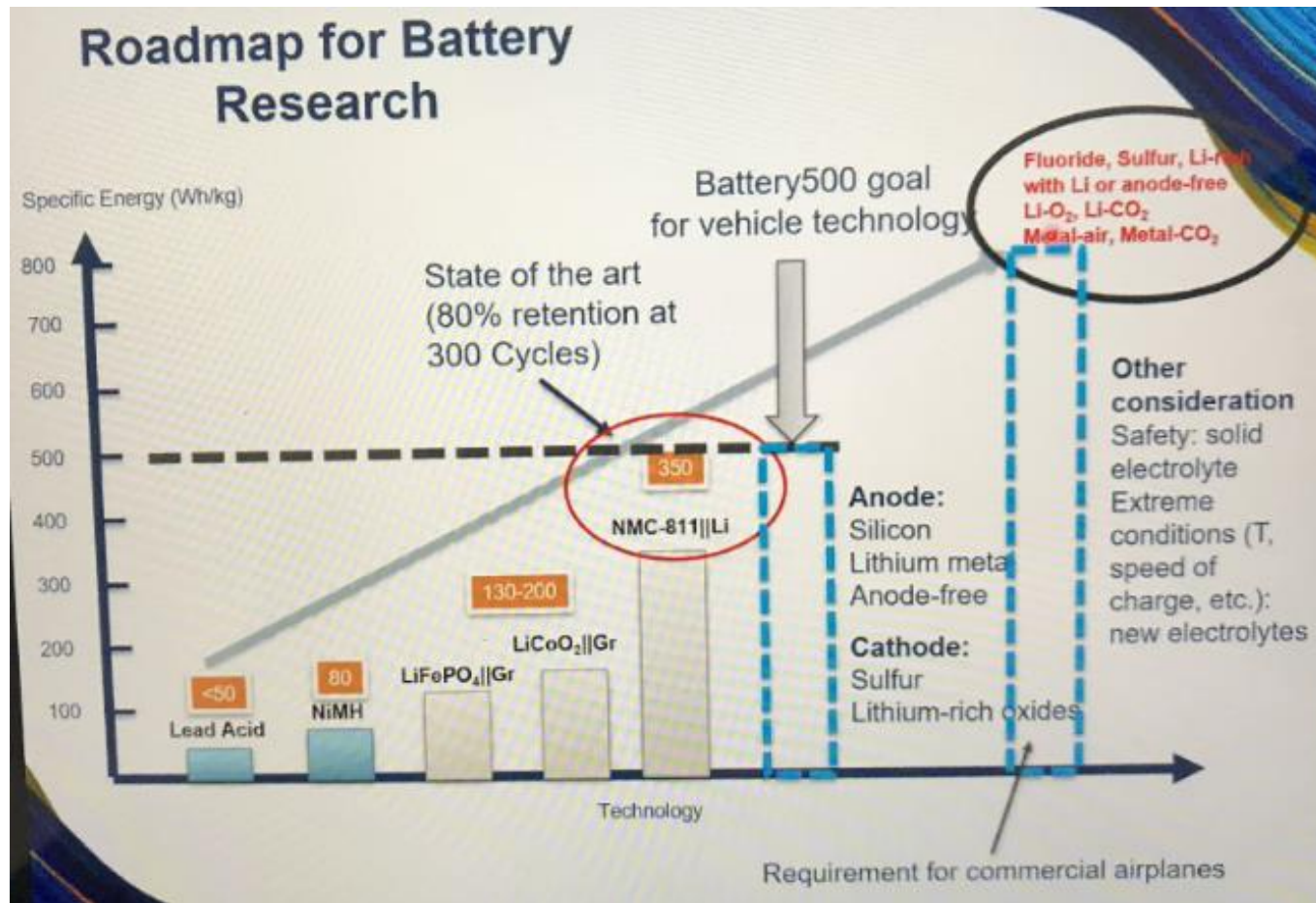
Battery life Vs Depth of discharge



Battery Gravimetric Energy Density Vs Volumetric Energy Density



Battery Tech: Future work



Summary

- ▶ Electric Motors are more efficient in converting (Electrical) energy to mechanical motion than ICE are converting energy in gasoline to mechanical motion.
- ▶ Generation of electricity has a large carbon footprint if generated from fossil fuels.
- ▶ EV and ICEV have similar carbon footprint if electricity is generated from fossil fuels
- ▶ Pollution can be shifted away from populated areas by replacing ICEVs with EVs.

Questions: You showed that efficiency of and ICE is ~35% whereas efficiency of Electric motor is 97%. So, if efficiency of a power plant is 45% than EVs should have a lower carbon footprint.

Answer: True that there is a slightly lower carbon footprint of an EV in terms of fuel consumption. However the carbon of the manufacturing process of EV is much higher than that of an ICEV.



Climate change and CO₂

- ▶ Emissions

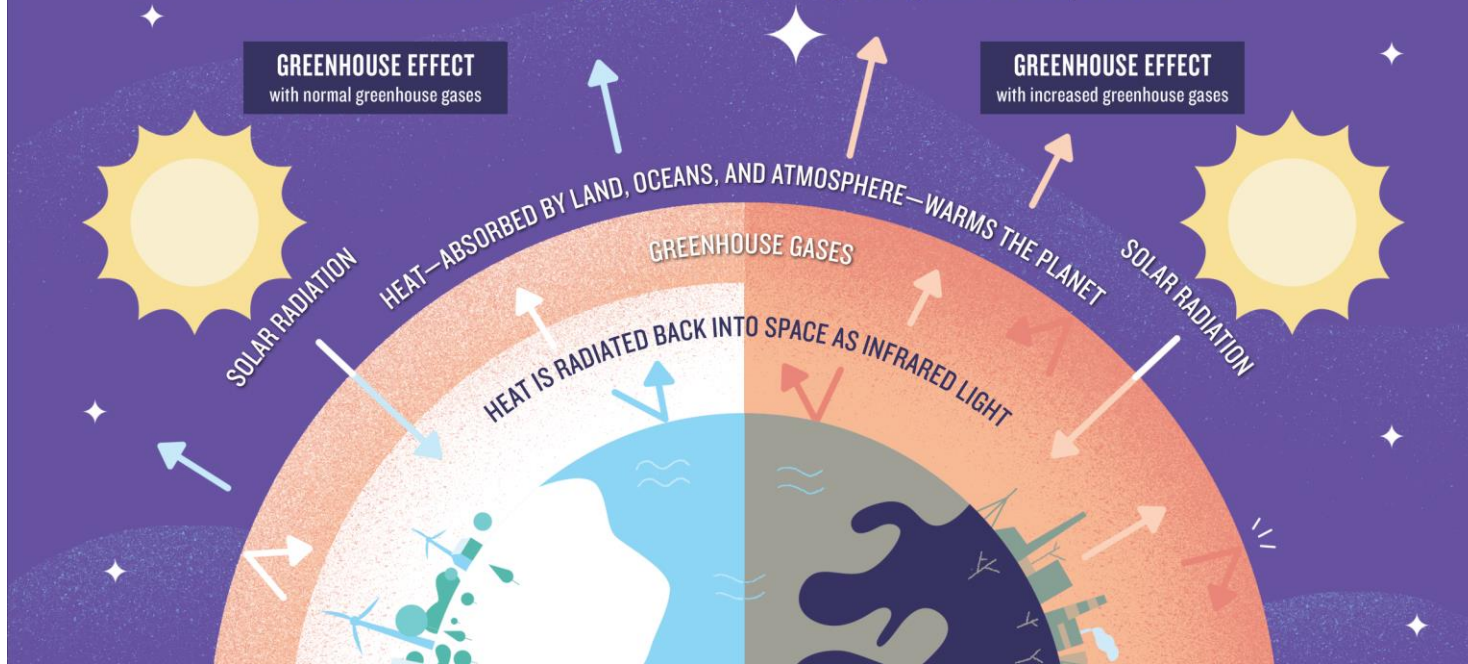
Atmospheric Composition

▶ **According to NASA, the gases in Earth's atmosphere include:**

- Nitrogen — 78 percent
- Oxygen — 21 percent
- Argon — 0.93 percent
- Carbon dioxide — 0.04 percent (400ppm)
- Trace amounts of neon, helium, methane, krypton and hydrogen, as well as water vapor

Green house Effect

In the last century, human activities such as burning fossil fuels and deforestation have caused a jump in the concentration of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. The result: extra trapped heat and higher global temperatures.



Gasoline Facts

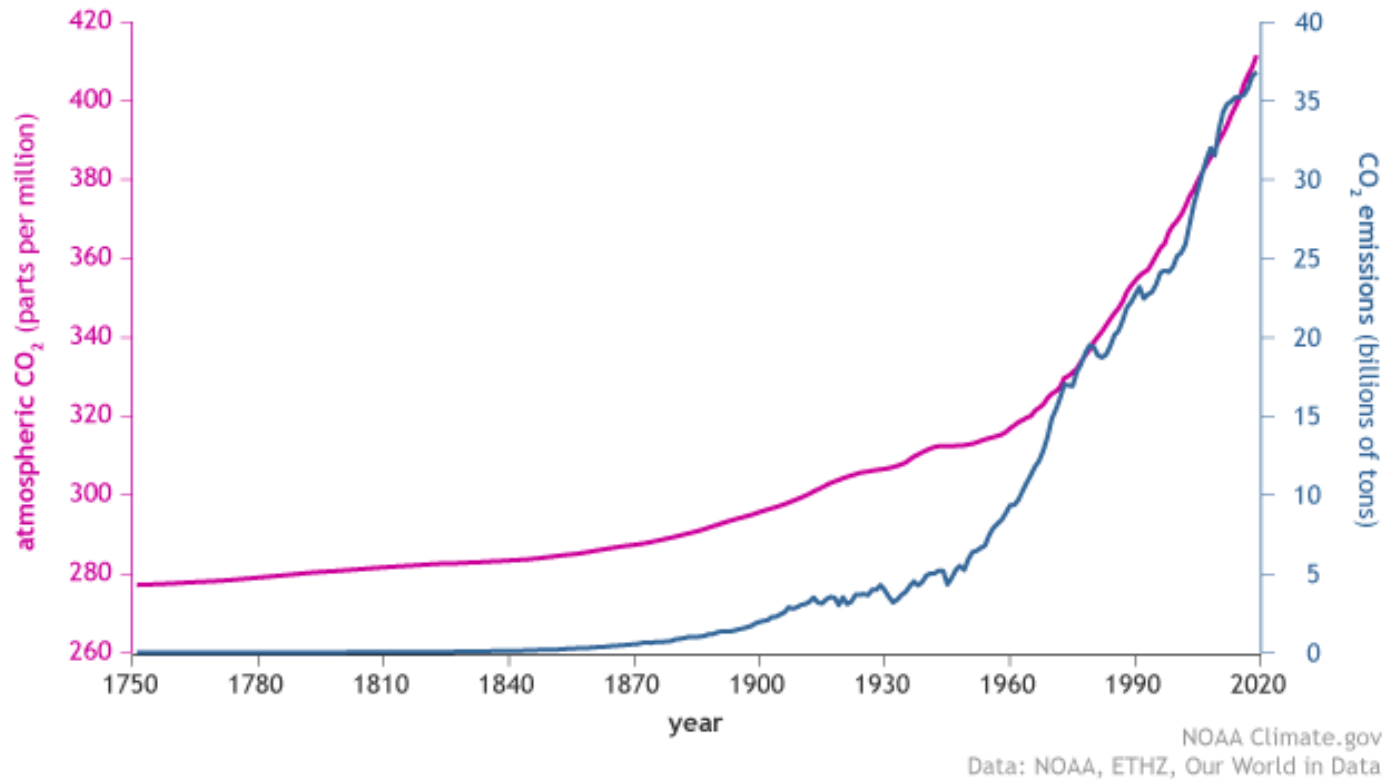
- ▶ Gasoline is derived by refining crude oil
- ▶ 1 barrel of crude (42 gallons) yields 19 gallon of gasoline after refining.
- ▶ Gasoline consists of 150 different types of hydrocarbons including butane, pentane, isopentane and alkane.
- ▶ It also contains BTEX compounds (benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylenes).
- ▶ These chemicals are known to cause cancer.
- ▶ Gasoline can also contain Sulphur and other impurities.
- ▶ Gasoline + O₂ = Heat + CO₂+CO+NO₂+SO₂+H₂O+ Unburned hydrocarbons.
- ▶ 1 gallon of gasoline creates 19.5 lbs of CO₂ when burned
- ▶ 1.139 Billion tones of CO₂ released due to gasoline combustion.

Oxygen is a Resource

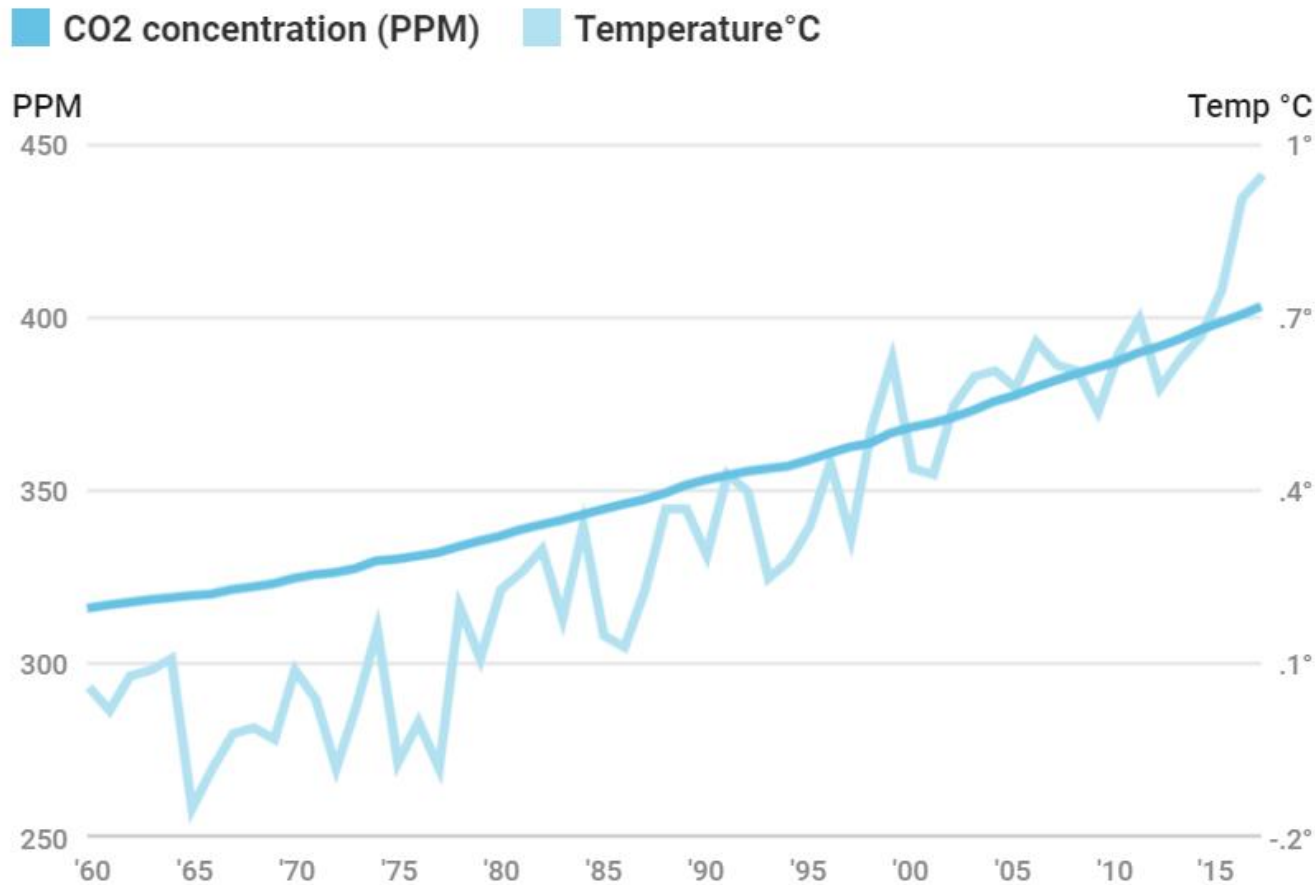
- ▶ Oxygen is essential for the survival of all animal life including humans.
- ▶ Free Oxygen has not been detected in any planet other than Earth.
- ▶ A human consumes 13.3 cubic feet (1.1 lb) of oxygen per day
- ▶ Burning 1 gallon of gasoline consumes 178 cubic feet (14.6 lbs) of oxygen
- ▶ So burning 1 gallon of gas consumes enough oxygen that would sustain a human for 13 days.

CO₂ Emissions (Historical Data) & Atmospheric CO₂

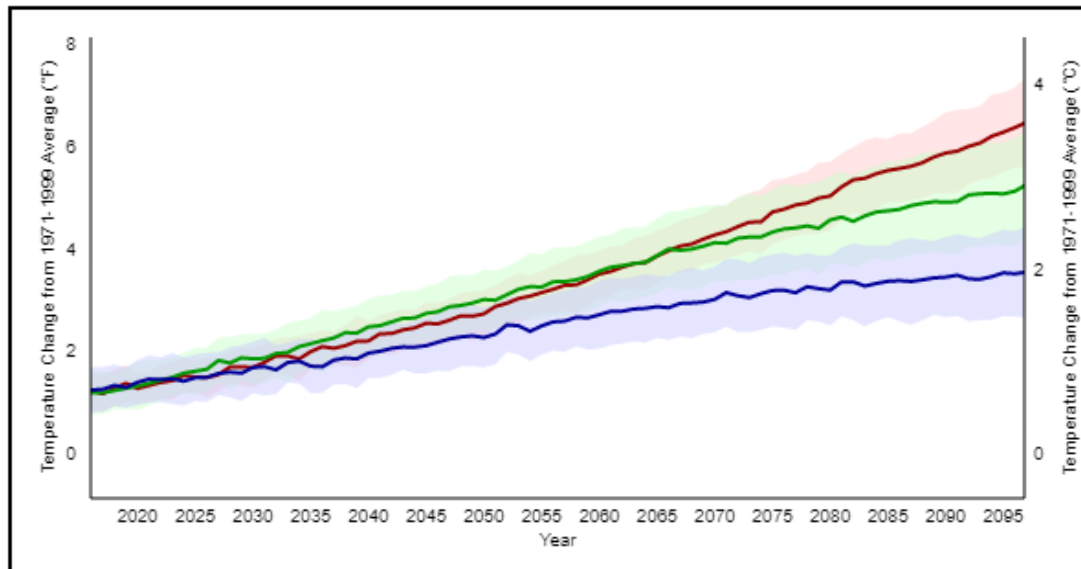
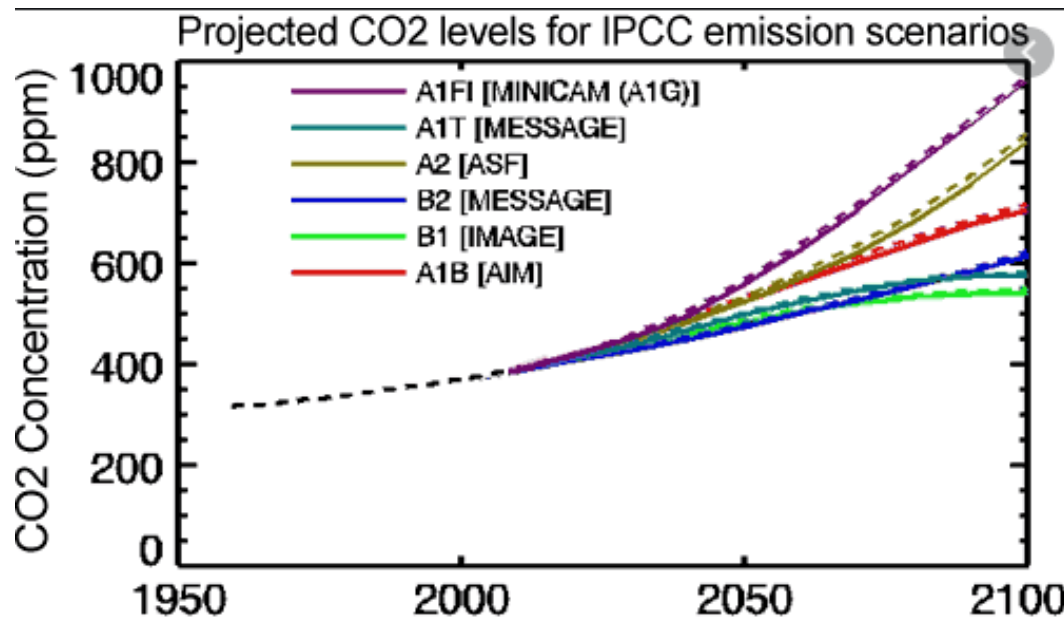
CO₂ in the atmosphere and annual emissions (1750-2019)



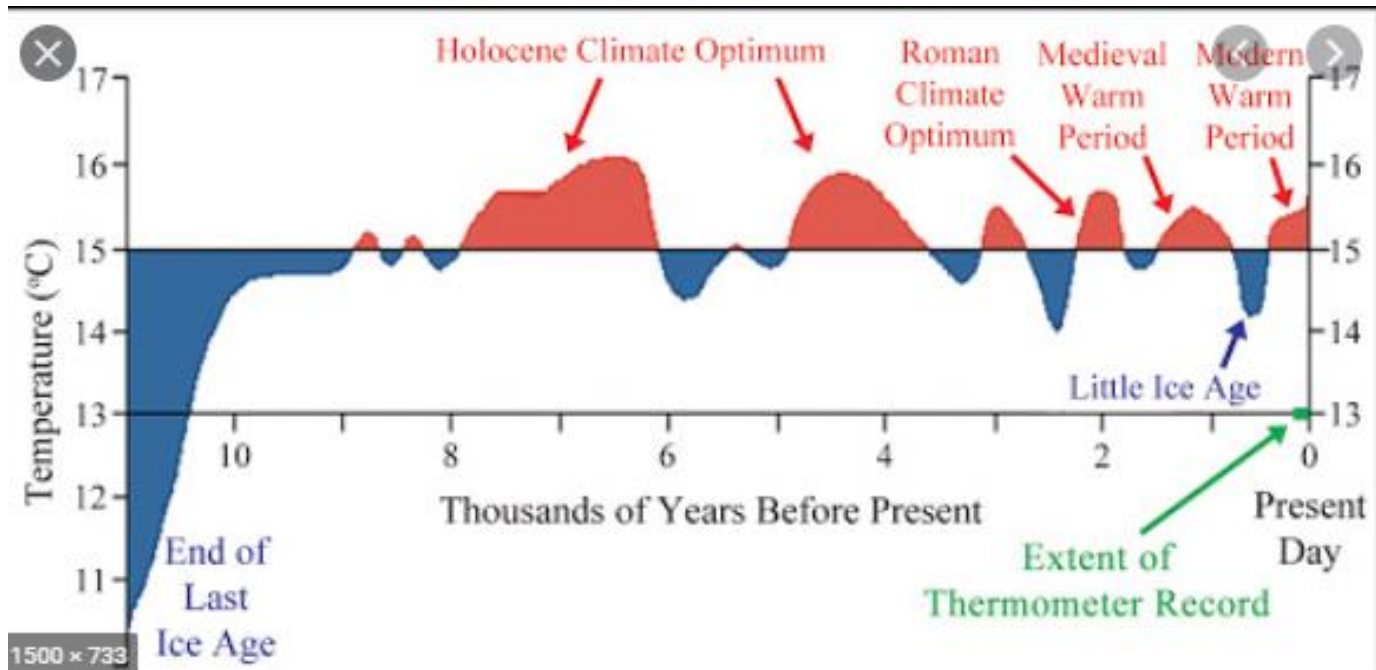
CO2 and Global Temperature



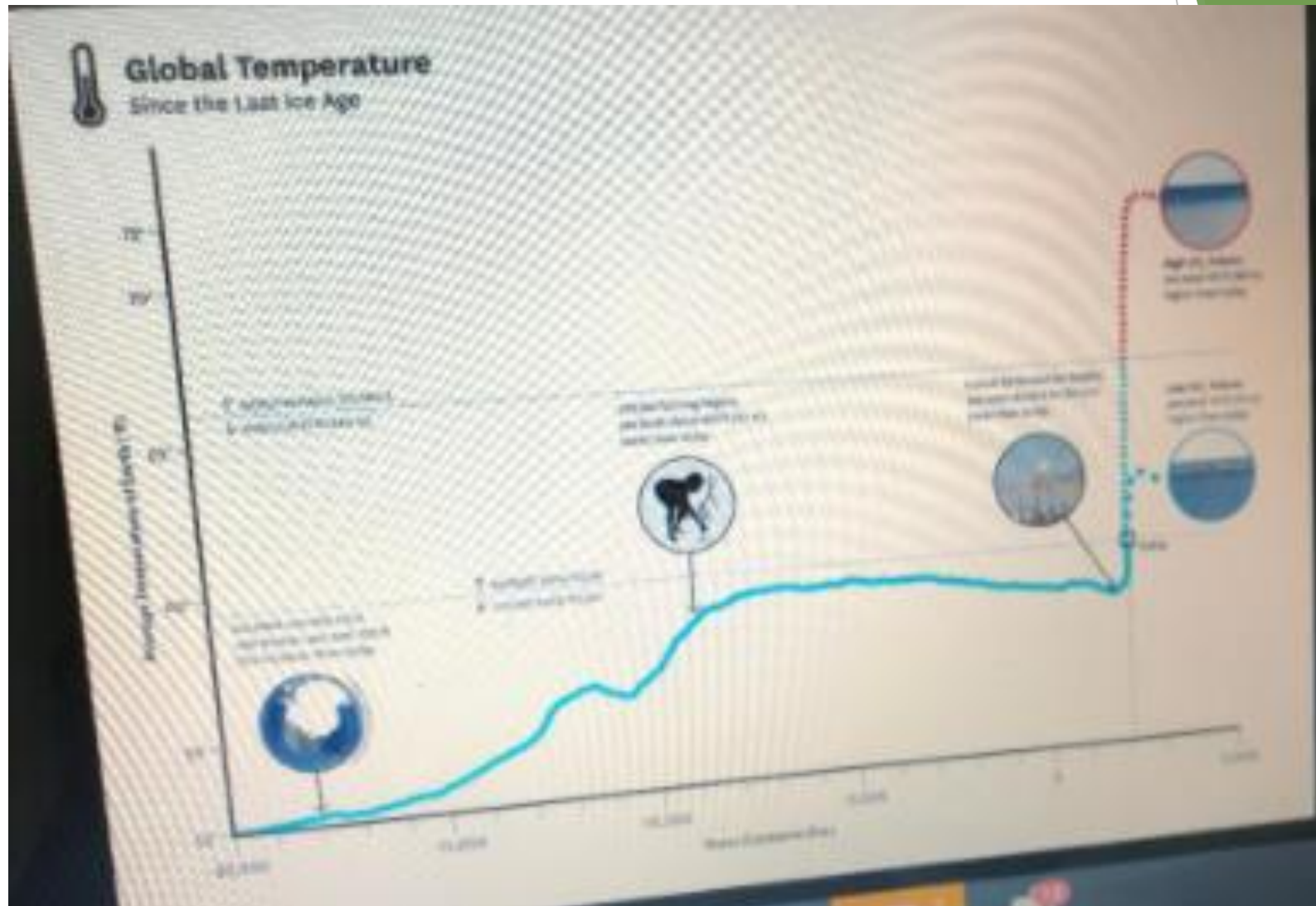
Global Temperature Projection



Anthropogenic Global Temperature



Temperature since last Ice age



Questions ?/
Discussion



Who cares that Global
temperature is rising?

Why does it matter ?

Answer:

Humans need,

1) Habitable Land mass

&

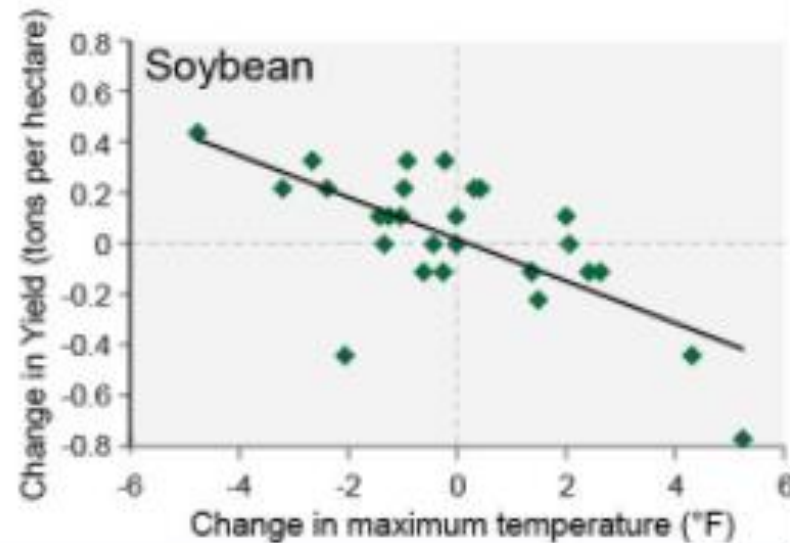
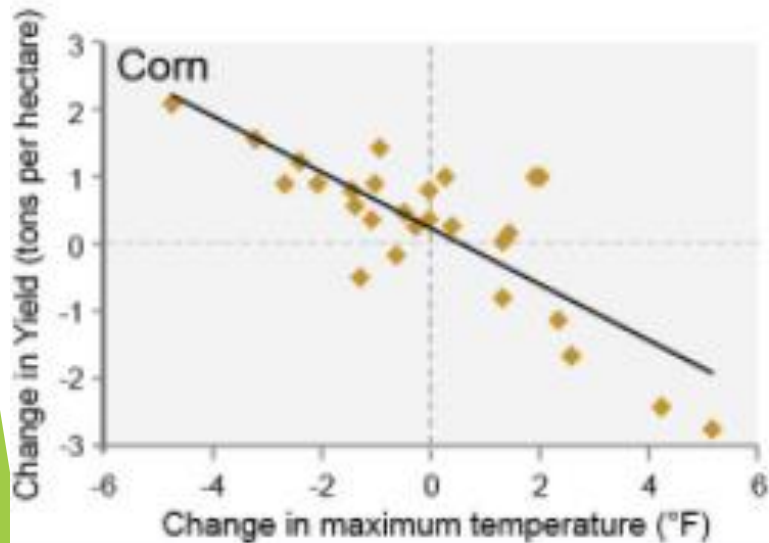
2) Food Security

Climate Change and food production



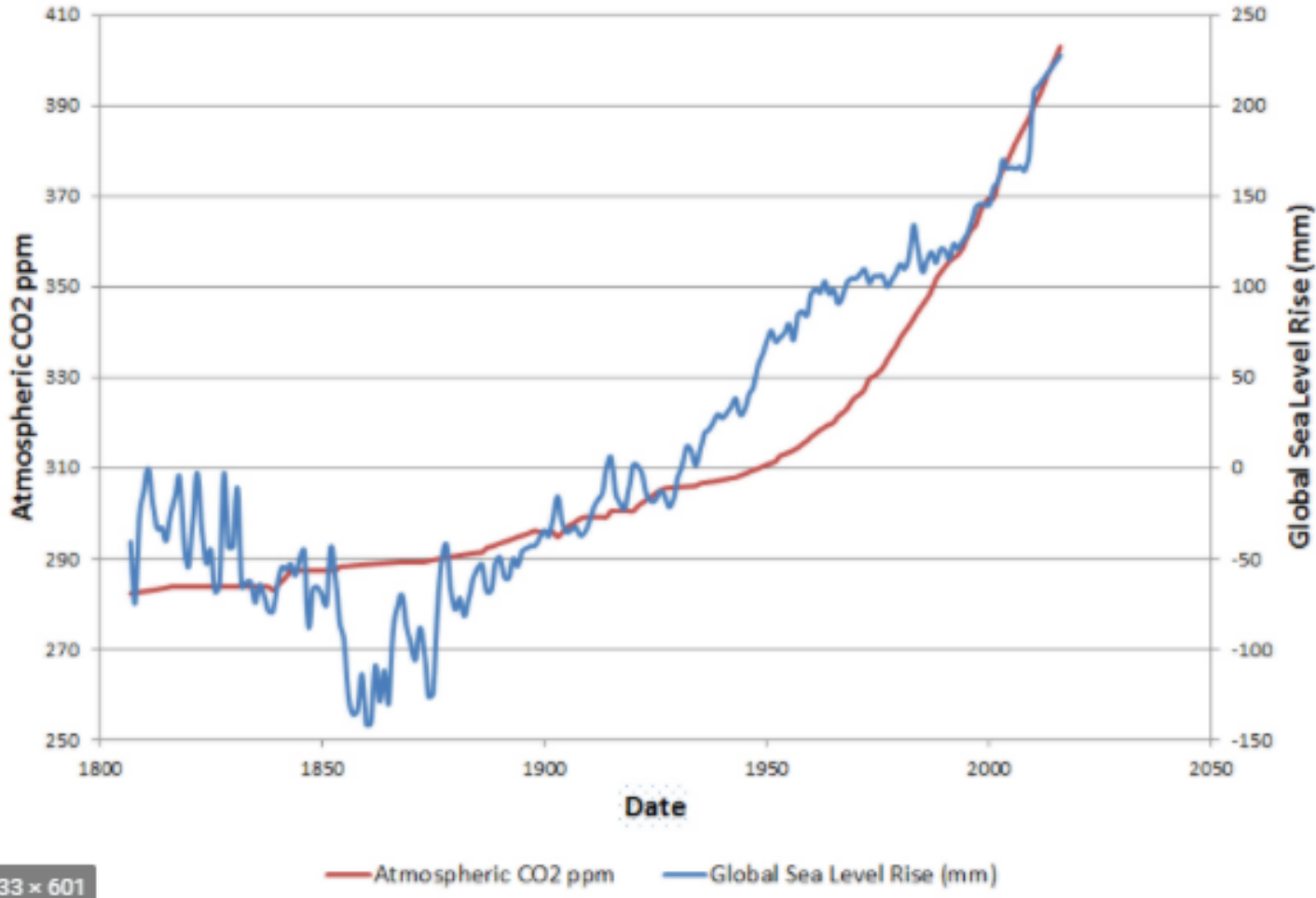
Food Production and Temperature

Crop Yields Decline under Higher Temperatures



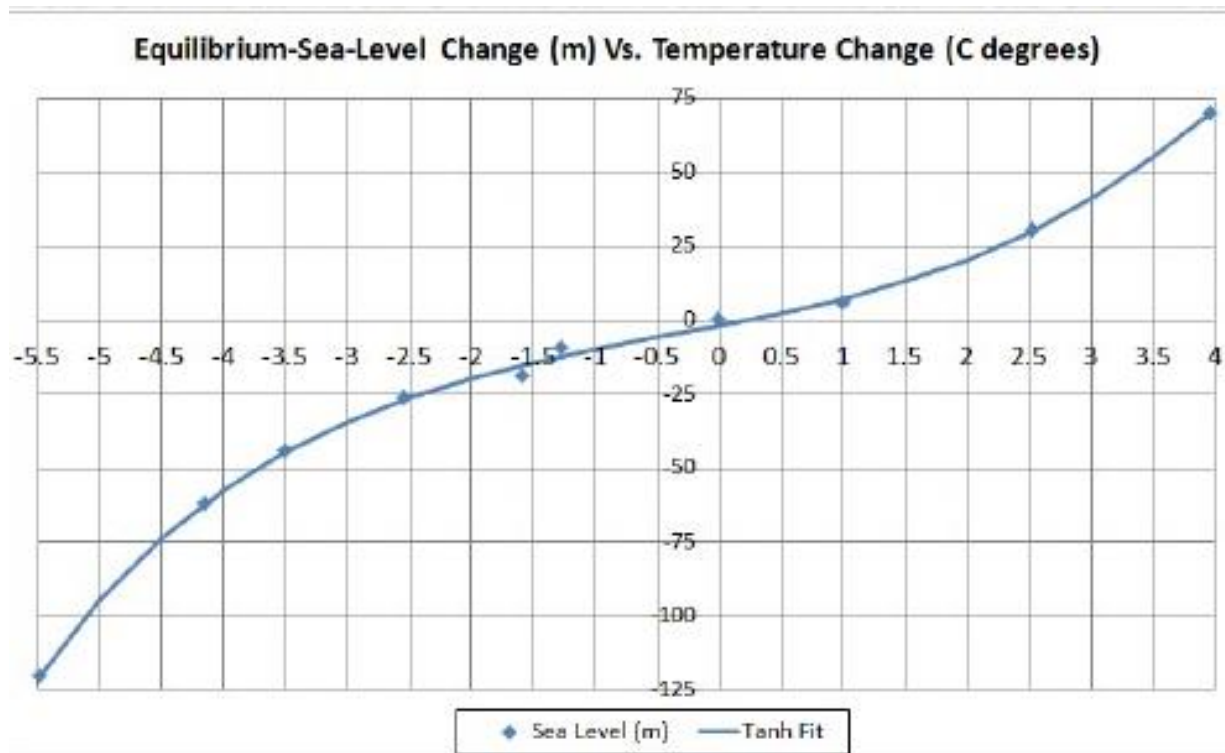
Sea Level Vs CO2

Atmospheric CO2 Vs Global Sea Level Rise

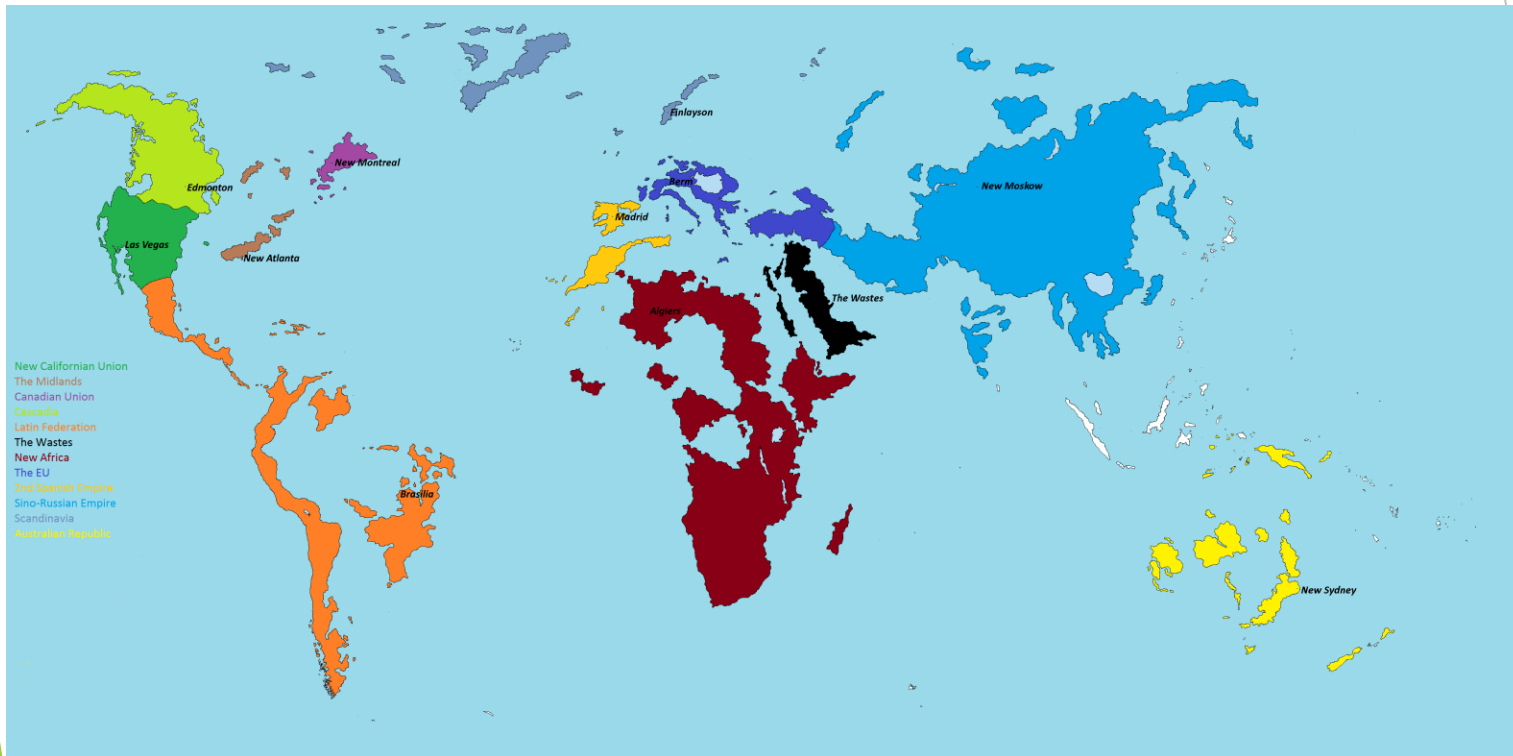


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Sea Level Vs Temperature



Land left when all glacier ice has melted



Conclusions

- ▶ CO₂ is a green house gas
- ▶ Atmospheric CO₂ causes global warming
- ▶ Warmer temperatures reduces food production
- ▶ Global warming causes sea level rise

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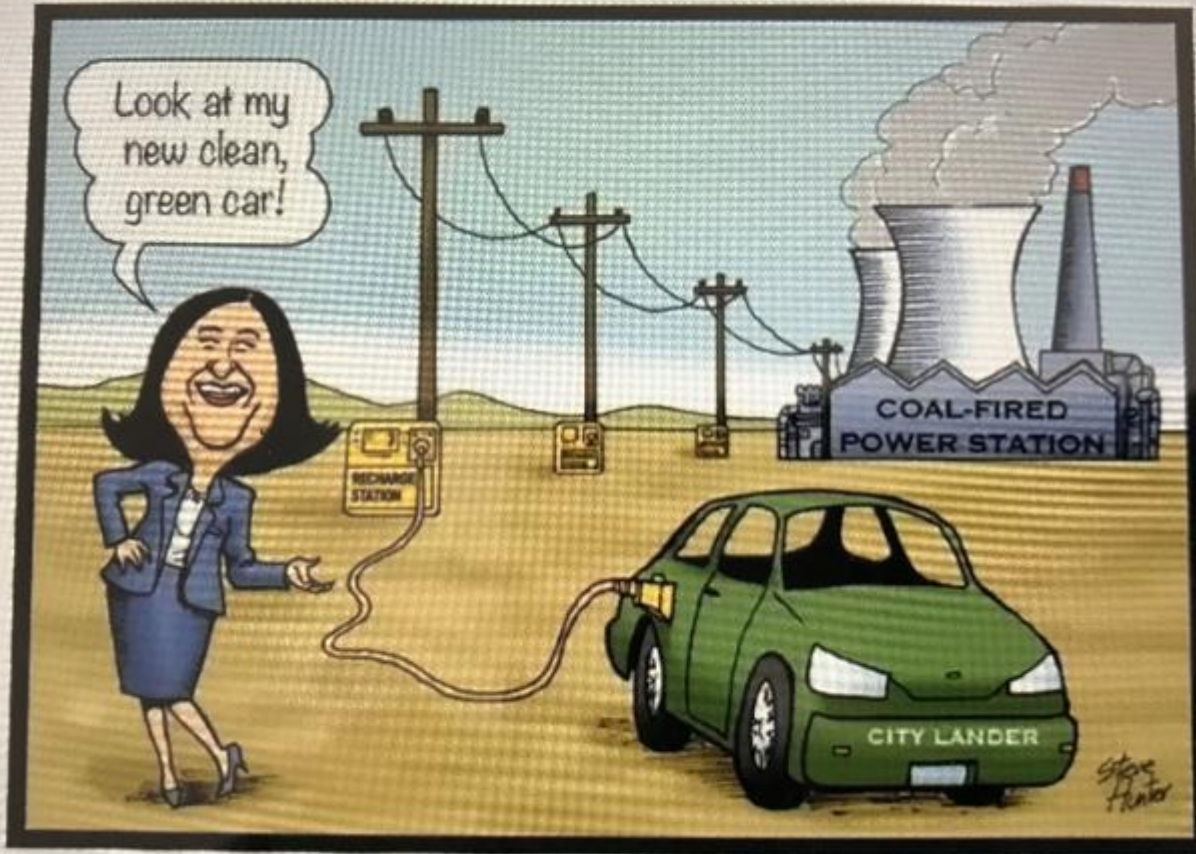


Path to Sustainability



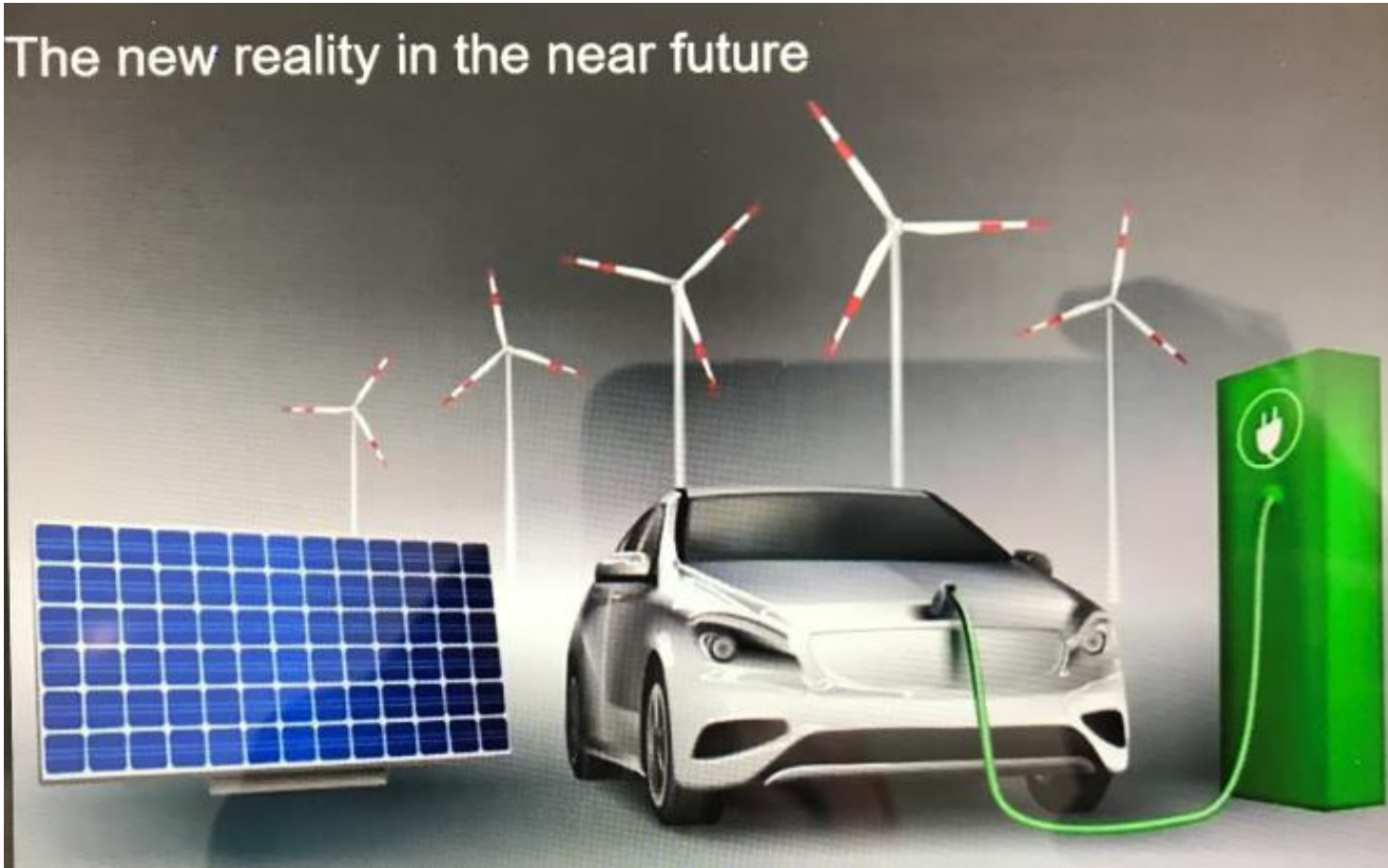
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The electric vehicle (EV) paradox



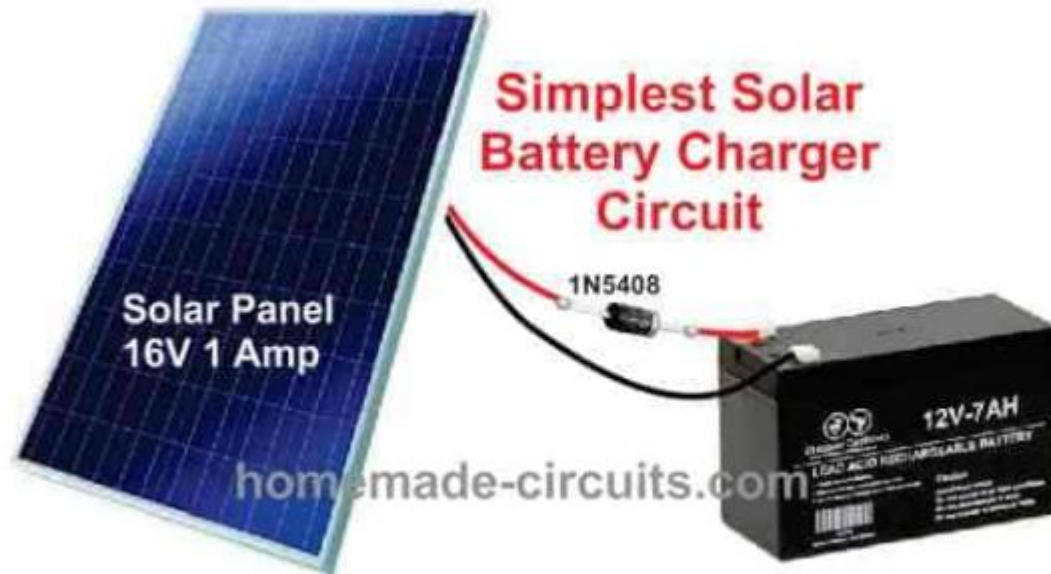
Future

The new reality in the near future



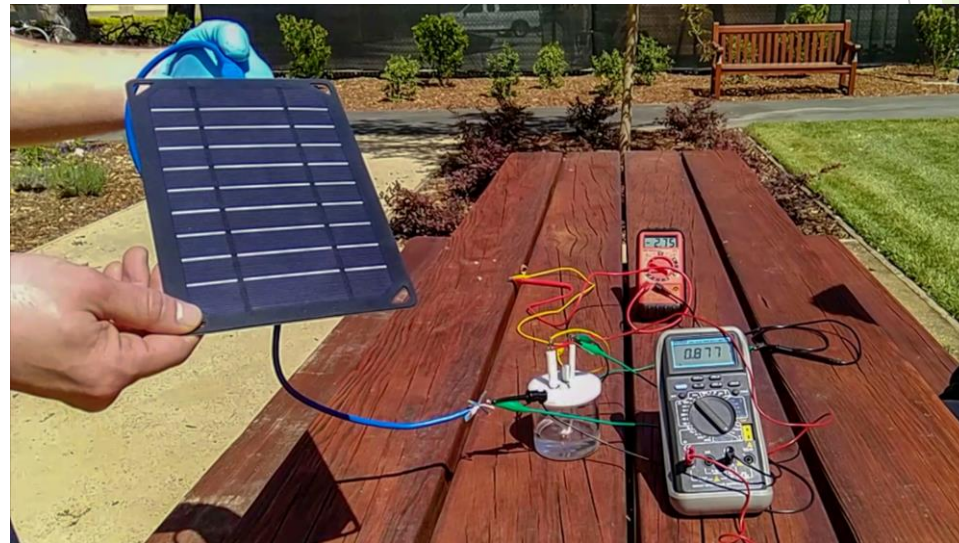
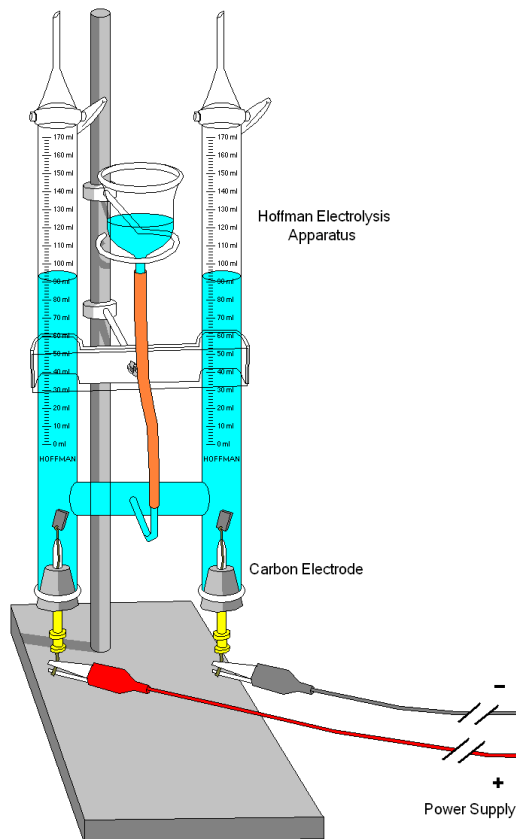
Zero Emission EVs

Solar to battery charging



Zero Emission Hydrogen EVs Electrolyzer

Electrolysis is the passing of a direct electric current through an electrolyte producing chemical reactions at the electrodes and decomposition of the materials.



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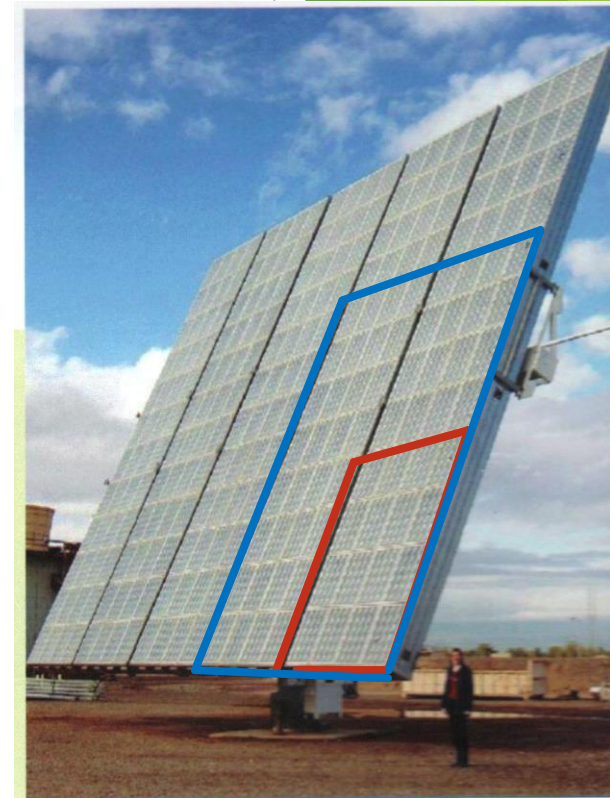


Path to zero Emission Transportation **Today**

- ▶ Drive an EV
- ▶ Install rooftop solar (Pay as little as possible!!!)
- ▶ If you drive 12,000 miles/year or 33 miles/day then install 2 kWh for charging the car. Cost : \$5300 (w/rebate)
- ▶ Scale up if you drive more.

Solar Power for sustainable future

- ▶ For a 12000mile/year commute an EV will need 2 KWh solar system.
- ▶ $(2 \text{ kWh}/0.15/\text{sqm})= 13.34 \text{ sqm} = \sim 143 \text{ sft.}$
- ▶ A typical 2000 sqft home has $\sim 2500\text{sqft}$ of roof area.
- ▶ For a family of four with two EVs would need to install (2×2) 4 kWh solar system.
- ▶ Add another 4 kWh for household electric use.
- ▶ 8 kWh system is : 572 sqft.
- ▶ Cost of 8 kWh Solar System: $\sim \$22000$ (With rebates)
- ▶ This will eliminate electric and gasoline bill for 15-20 years.
- ▶ \$22000 loan for 15 years with 3.25% interest will have a monthly payment \$154.



Questions ?/
Discussion



EVs & Financial Markets



EV Manufacturers

- ▶ Tesla (USA)- Cars , SUVs
- ▶ GM (USA) - Chevy Bolt, GMC Hummer
- ▶ Nissan (Japan)- Leaf
- ▶ Toyota(Japan) - RAV4, Prius Prime
- ▶ Honda(Japan) - Clarity
- ▶ Nio (China) -
- ▶ Volks wagon -

Tesla the big Kahuna

NASDAQ Symbol : TSLA

Market Cap: \$586 Billion

P/E: 995

Price/Sales : 18.8

Char: Stylish, Multiple models , long range, Quality



Other manufacturers

- ▶ GM : Ultium Battery, Established Manufacturer, Commitment to go all electric in 20 years.
- ▶ Toyota : Established manufacturer, Hybrid experience, quality
- ▶ Nio : Startup Chinese company, low cost, replaceable battery.
- ▶ Nissan : Established manufacturer, early entry
- ▶ Volks wagon : Established manufacturer, Well funded
- ▶ BMW : Established manufacturer, Well funded, Luxury market
- ▶ Kia : Established manufacturer, Well funded, low cost
- ▶ Workhorse : Startup - Delivery Vans
- ▶ Ride : Startup - Trucks
- ▶ Nikola : Startup - Semi Tractor Trailers
- ▶ Fisker Karma : Startup - Sport Cars

Battery Manufacturers

- ▶ Tesla - Li Ion , Lithium Ion Cobalt Battery
- ▶ GM - Ultium Battery - Lithium Ion
- ▶ LG Chem - ALL types of batteries including Li Ion
- ▶ Panasonic - Largest Battery Manufacturer- Tesla Partner.



Start ups :

Quantumscape : Solid state Lithium Ion

Store Dot : Fast charging “Li Ion Flash” Battery

NOHM : Safety- non-flammable electrolytes

Lithium Werks : Lithium cobalt oxide cathode and a graphite anode

Faradion : Sodium Ion Technology

Quantumscap

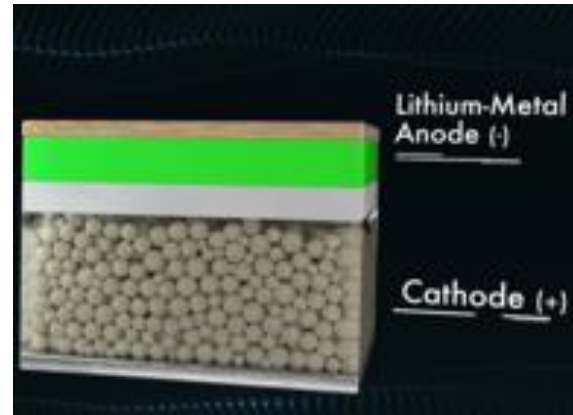
NYSE Symbol : QS

Market Cap: \$17 Billion

P/E: -48

Price/Sales : No sales

Char: Solid State Li Ion



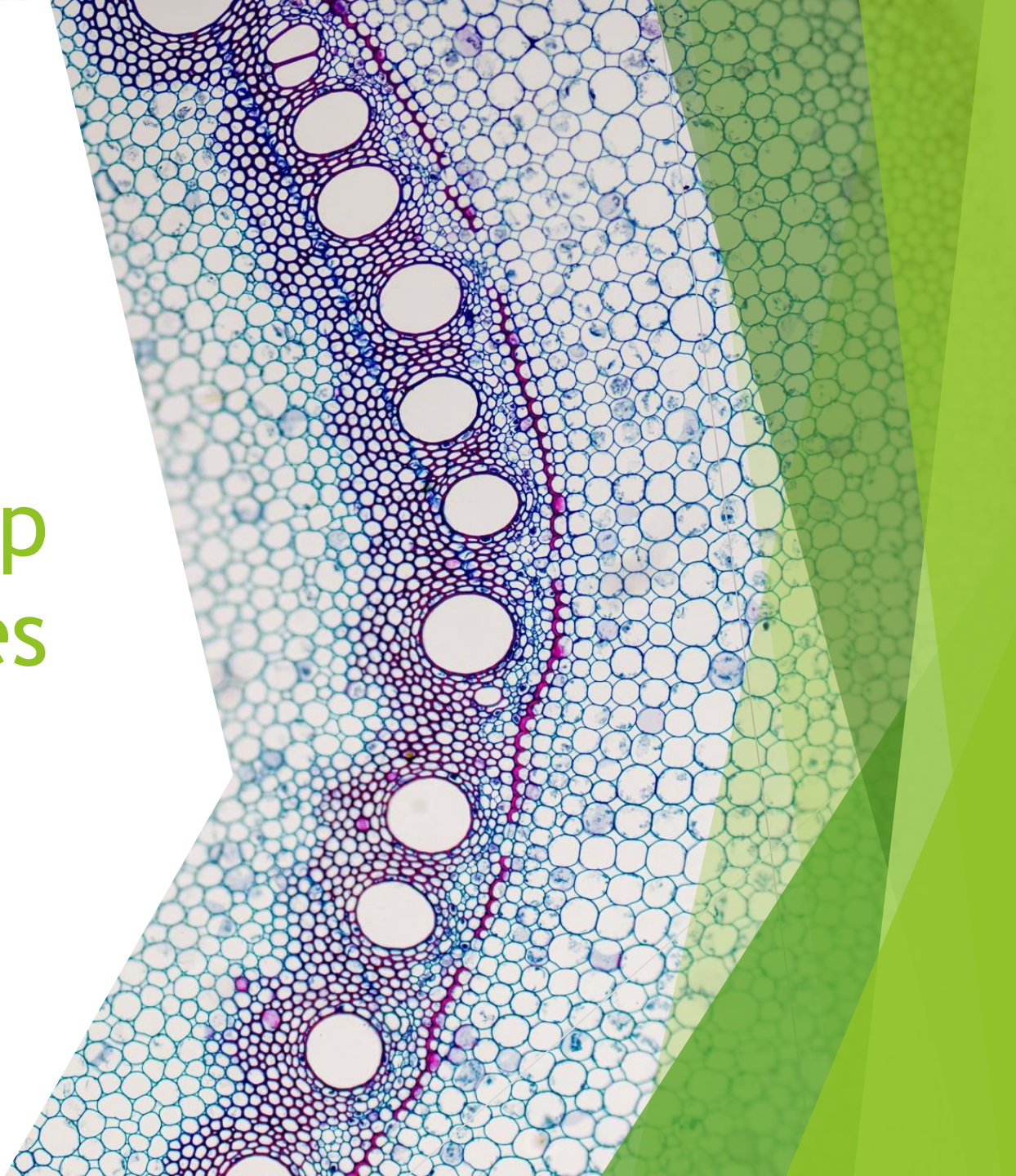
Discussion : Climate change is a political issue. Even if reduce our carbon footprint , the developing countries will continue to pollute. So state department needs to negotiate with other governments to reduce pollution.

Comment: It is true that developing countries have become major carbon emitters. However as a member of human race we should do our part to reduce our carbon footprint.



Thank you !

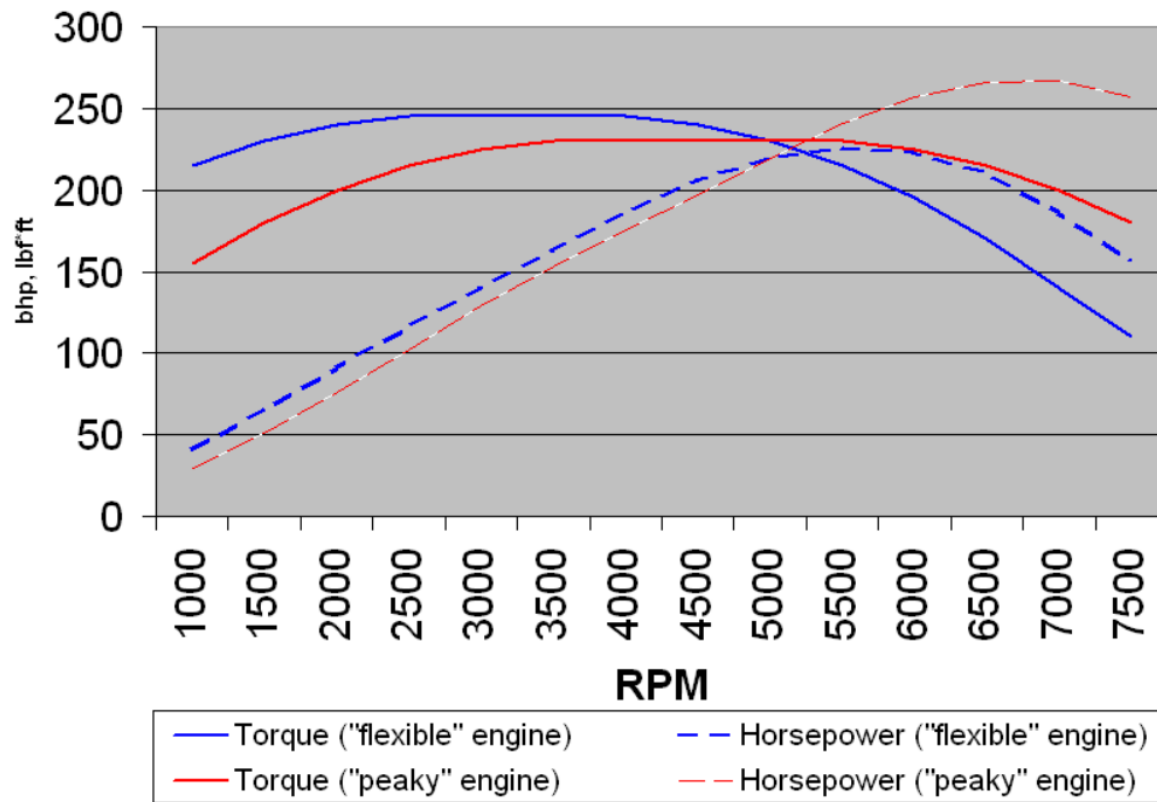
Back up
Slides



German Solar/Agricultural Farm



Courtesy of SunPower Corporation



US Crude Oil Reserves

- ▶ **Proven Reserves (EIA) -19.4 Billion Barrels**
- ▶ **Prospective Reserve-(USDI-MMS,USGS)**
 - Offshore (OCS) : 85.9 Billion Barrels**
 - 1.Gulf- 44.9 Billion Barrels
 - 2) Alaska - 38.8 Billion Barrel
 - Onshore : 48.5 Billion Barrels**
 - 1.Alaska-a) ANWR-10.4 BB & b) NPRA-10.6BB
 2. Bakken Oil Formation-4.5BB (150BB)
 3. Other - 23 BB
- ▶ **Unconventional Prospective Reserves-(BLM) -**
- ▶ **Shale Oil (Colorado,Wyoming)-2.15 Trillion Barrels.**
 - Commercial Production - None.

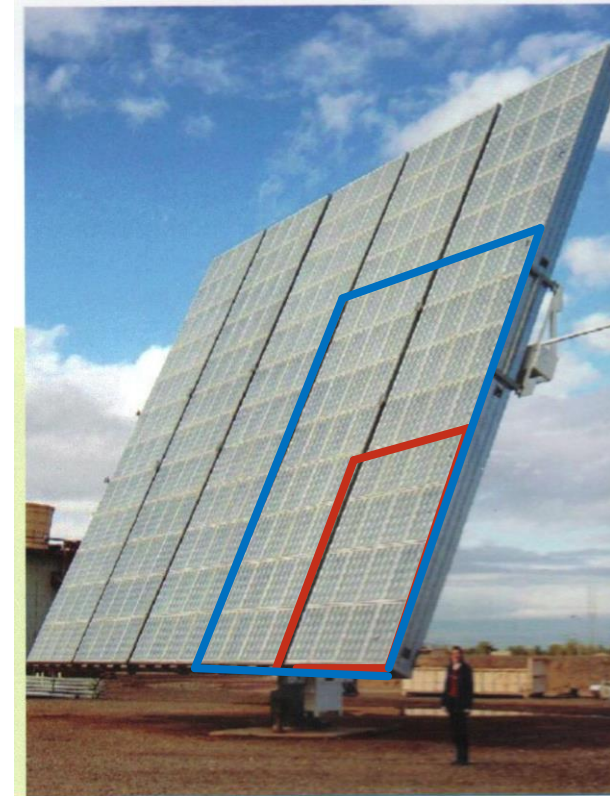
Traditional Energy –Natural Gas

► Natural Gas Reserves by Country

1. Russia – 55 Trillion Cubic Meters
2. Iran - 33 Trillion Cubic Meters
3. Turkmenistan - 26 Trillion Cubic Meters
4. Qatar – 25 Trillion Cubic Meters
- 5 USA– 8 Trillion Cubic Meters
6. Saudi Arabia – 7 Trillion Cubic Meters
8. Venezuela – 5.5 Trillion Cubic Meters

Solar Power

- ▶ With current solar technology each person in USA will need 208 sq meters of solar cells to meet his or her energy needs.
- ▶ $(250\text{kWh}/8\text{h})/0.15\text{kW}/\text{sqm})=208 \text{ sqm}=\sim 2400\text{sqft}$
- ▶ For a 12000mile/year commute an EV will need 2KWh solar system.
- ▶ $(2 \text{ kWh}/0.15/\text{sqm})= 13.34 \text{ sqm} = \sim 143 \text{ sft.}$
- ▶ A typical 2000 sqft home has $\sim 2500\text{sqft}$ of roof area.
- ▶ For a family of four with two EVs would need to install (2x2) 4 kWh solar system.
- ▶ Add another 4 kWh for household electric use.
- ▶ 8 kWh system is : 572 sqft.
- ▶ Cost of 8 kWh Solar System: $\sim \$22000$



Energy Facts

- ▶ A car that gets 25 mpg will consume 80 kWh for a 60 mile commute.
- ▶ A typical American household uses 8 kWh per day per person for air-conditioning, Appliances, lighting, cooking etc.
- ▶ A human produces 1 kWh of mechanical energy per day.
- ▶ Each of us have 250 energy servants working for us!!!!

Energy Density (kWH/lb)

- ▶ Coal : 4.48 kWH/lb
- ▶ Gasoline : 6.16 kWH/lb
- ▶ Uranium-235 = 10.4 MWH/lb
- ▶ Li Ion Battery: 0.059 kWH/lb
- ▶ LNG : 6.16 kWH/lb
- ▶ CNG: 6.16 kWH/lb
- ▶ Gasoline/gallon:33.7 kWH
- ▶ Ethenol/gallon: 4.5 kWH
- ▶ Diesel/gallon: 6.96 kWH/lb
- ▶ Liquid Hydrogen: 19.7 kWH/lb

Energy Content

- ▶ Gasoline/gallon: 130 Mega J= 36.4 kWh
- ▶ LNG/gallon: 130 Mega J= 36.4 kWh
- ▶ CNG/gallon: 130 Mega J= 36.4 kWh
- ▶ Ethenol/gallon: 94.9 Mega J=26.6 kWh
- ▶ Diesel/gallon: 146.9 Mega J= 41.1 kWh



- ✦ Tesla Model S
- ✦ Cost : \$70620
- ✦ Mileage/kWh : 3.36 m/kWh
- ✦ kWh for 100k miles: 30000 kWh
- ✦ Cost of gas @ \$0.18/kWh : \$5400
- ✦ Cost/mile (Electricity) : \$0.054/mile
- ✦ Range : 373miles



ICE Vehicle (Full Size Car)

- ✦ Toyota Camry
- ✦ Cost : \$26170
- ✦ Gas Mileage : 32 mpg
- ✦ Fuel for 100k miles: 3000 gallons
- ✦ Cost of gas @ 3.33/gal : \$10000
- ✦ Cost/mile (Fuel) : \$0.10/mile
- ✦ Range : 500miles



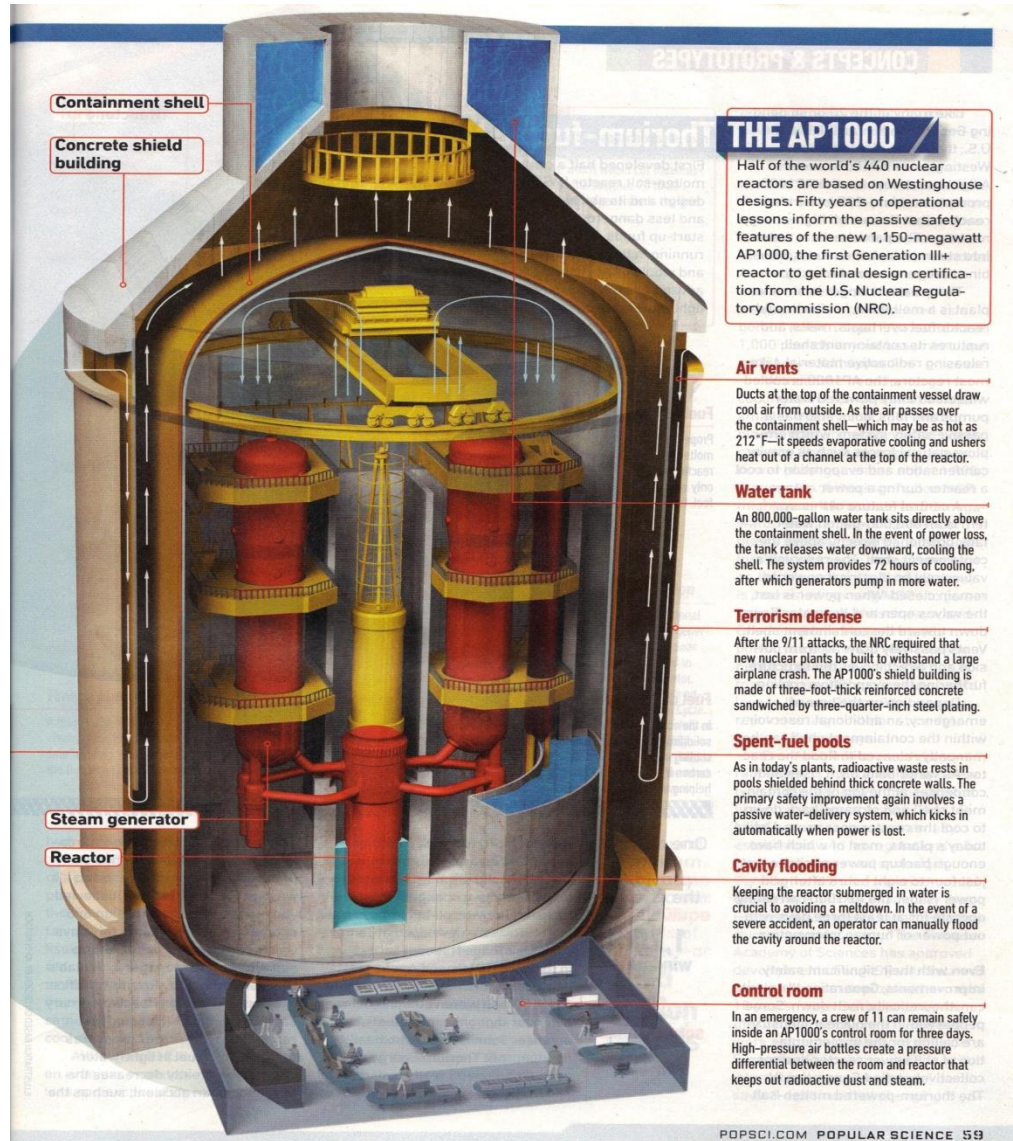
Hybrid Vehicle (Full Size Car)

- ✦ Toyota Camry Hybrid
- ✦ Cost : \$32720
- ✦ Gas Mileage : 50 mpg
- ✦ Fuel for 100k miles: 2000 gallons
- ✦ Cost of gas @ 3.33/gal : \$6660
- ✦ Cost/mile (Fuel) : \$0.066/mile
- ✦ Range : 600miles

Why the push for electric cars

- ▶ **Economies of Scale**
- ▶ **Development of technology**
- ▶ Technology is developed by government organizations. I.e MITI, DARPA, FFRDC , DOE etc
- ▶ Technology is developed by businesses.
- ▶ Technology is developed by business due to government incentives. I.e. Tax incentives, price control etc.

Nuclear Energy-Fission Reactor



THE AP1000

Half of the world's 440 nuclear reactors are based on Westinghouse designs. Fifty years of operational lessons inform the passive safety features of the new 1,150-megawatt AP1000, the first Generation III+ reactor to get final design certification from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

Air vents

Ducts at the top of the containment vessel draw cool air from outside. As the air passes over the containment shell—which may be as hot as 212°F—it speeds evaporative cooling and ushers heat out of a channel at the top of the reactor.

Water tank

An 800,000-gallon water tank sits directly above the containment shell. In the event of power loss, the tank releases water downward, cooling the shell. The system provides 72 hours of cooling, after which generators pump in more water.

Terrorism defense

After the 9/11 attacks, the NRC required that new nuclear plants be built to withstand a large airplane crash. The AP1000's shield building is made of three-foot-thick reinforced concrete sandwiched by three-quarter-inch steel plating.

Spent-fuel pools

As in today's plants, radioactive waste rests in pools shielded behind thick concrete walls. The primary safety improvement again involves a passive water-delivery system, which kicks in automatically when power is lost.

Cavity flooding

Keeping the reactor submerged in water is crucial to avoiding a meltdown. In the event of a severe accident, an operator can manually flood the cavity around the reactor.

Control room

In an emergency, a crew of 11 can remain safely inside an AP1000's control room for three days. High-pressure air bottles create a pressure differential between the room and reactor that keeps out radioactive dust and steam.

Nuclear Energy-Thorium Reactor

TYPES

Thorium-fueled MSR

First developed half a century ago at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, the molten-salt reactor (MSR) stands out for its elegant, accident-resistant design and its ability to run on thorium, which is more abundant and less dangerous than uranium. With an infusion of start-up funds, advocates say, the MSR could be running in the U.S. within the next decade and would offer a number of safety advantages over conventional light-water reactors.

Fuel loop

Propelled by a pump, thorium dissolved in molten salt is continuously looped through the reactor and heat exchangers. Fission can occur only when the diameter of the vessel reaches six feet, limiting the reaction to within the reactor.

Fuel drain tanks

In the emergency drain tanks, the liquid fuel solidifies without human intervention, much like cooling candle wax. For added safety, tubes of carbon inside the tanks eat up spare neutrons, helping to stabilize the reaction.

Reactor

Turbine

Small footprint

Because MSRs would be smaller and safer than conventional plants, they could be built closer to population centers, which would cut transmission loss. Current plants sacrifice 20 to 30 percent of the power they generate to the grid.

Power station

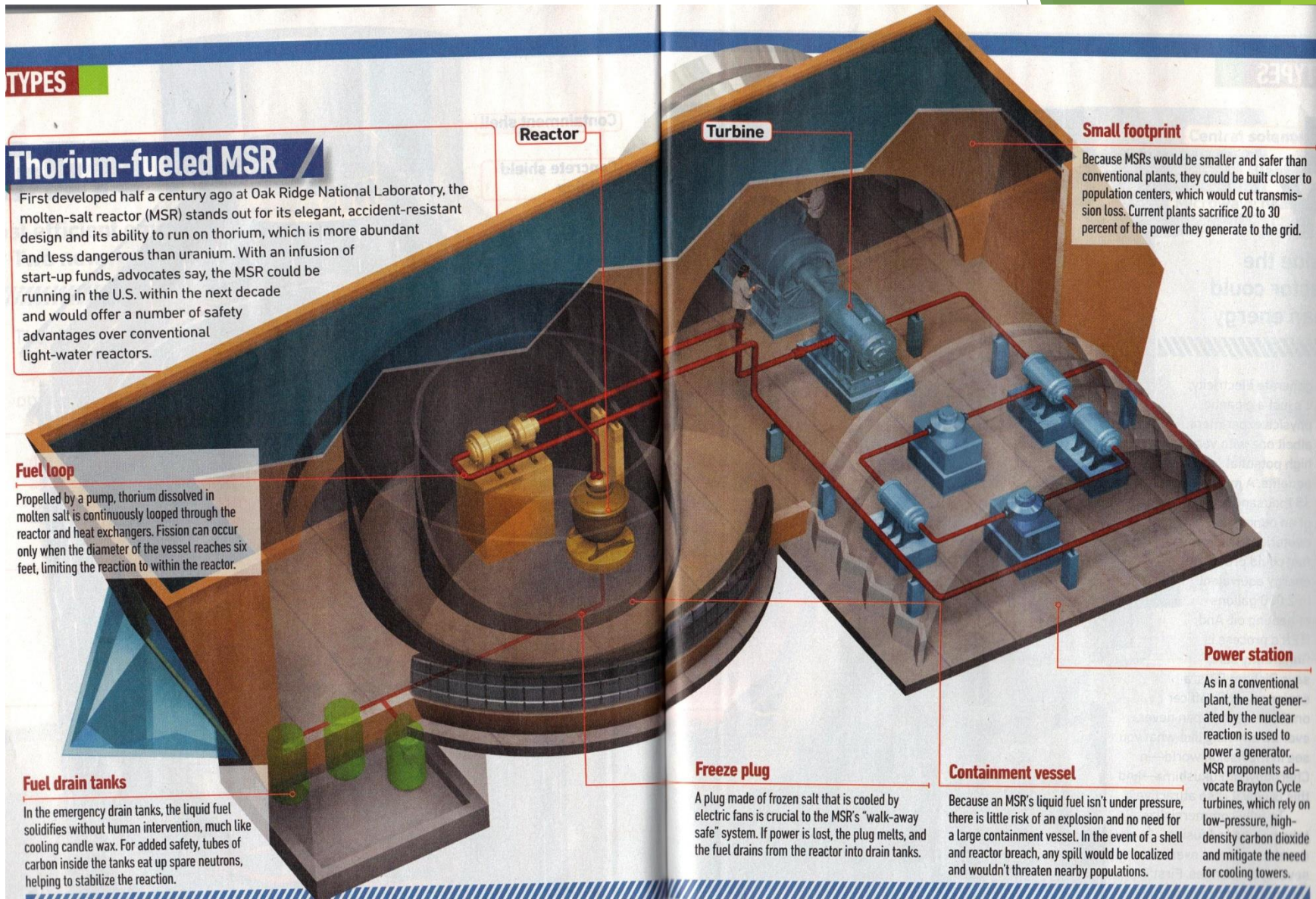
As in a conventional plant, the heat generated by the nuclear reaction is used to power a generator. MSR proponents advocate Brayton Cycle turbines, which rely on low-pressure, high-density carbon dioxide and mitigate the need for cooling towers.

Freeze plug

A plug made of frozen salt that is cooled by electric fans is crucial to the MSR's "walk-away safe" system. If power is lost, the plug melts, and the fuel drains from the reactor into drain tanks.

Containment vessel

Because an MSR's liquid fuel isn't under pressure, there is little risk of an explosion and no need for a large containment vessel. In the event of a shell and reactor breach, any spill would be localized and wouldn't threaten nearby populations.



Alternate Energy Plan for USA

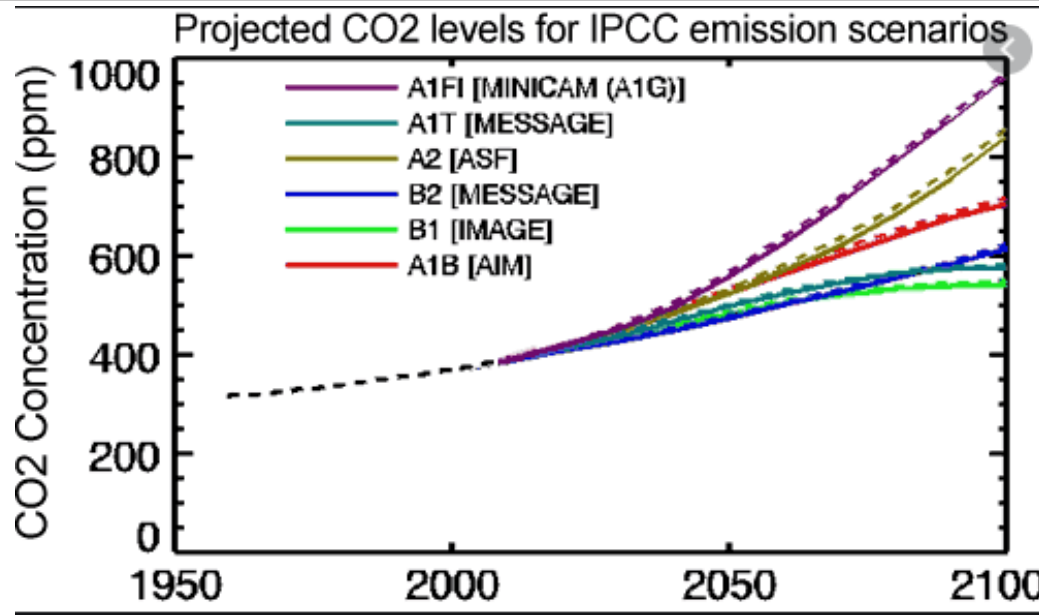
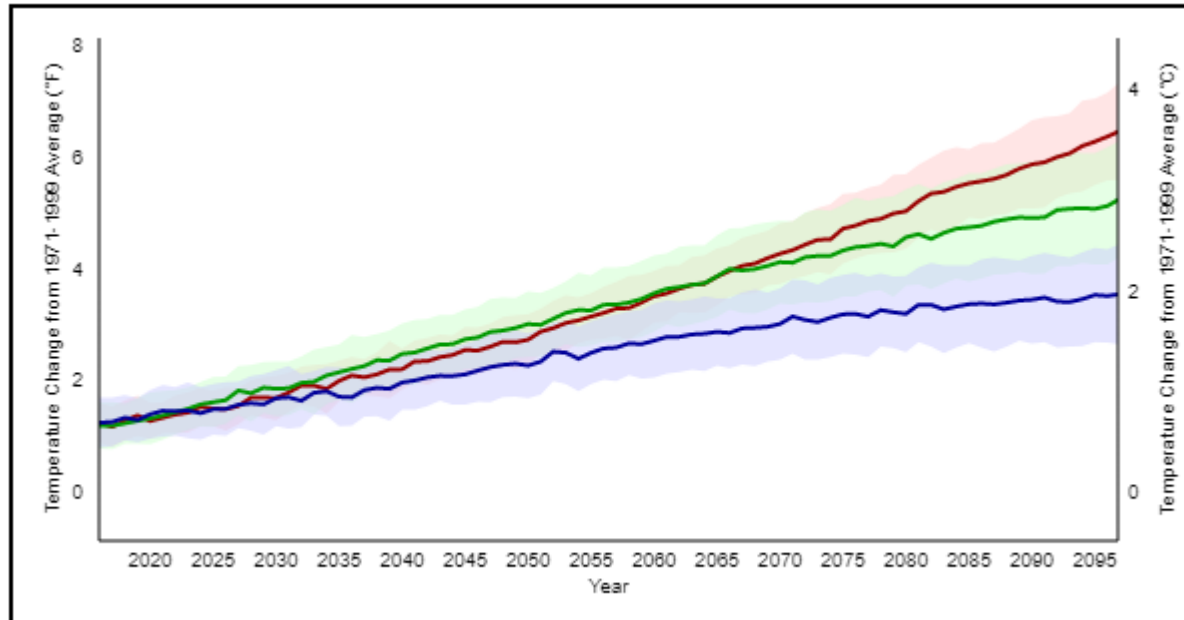
- ▶ Green Square – Bio-energy Plantation
- ▶ Light Green – Wind Farms
- ▶ Yellow Dots – Solar Farms



couple of decades, and clean coal is still at

As an environmentalist, Mackay says he

Global Temperature Projection

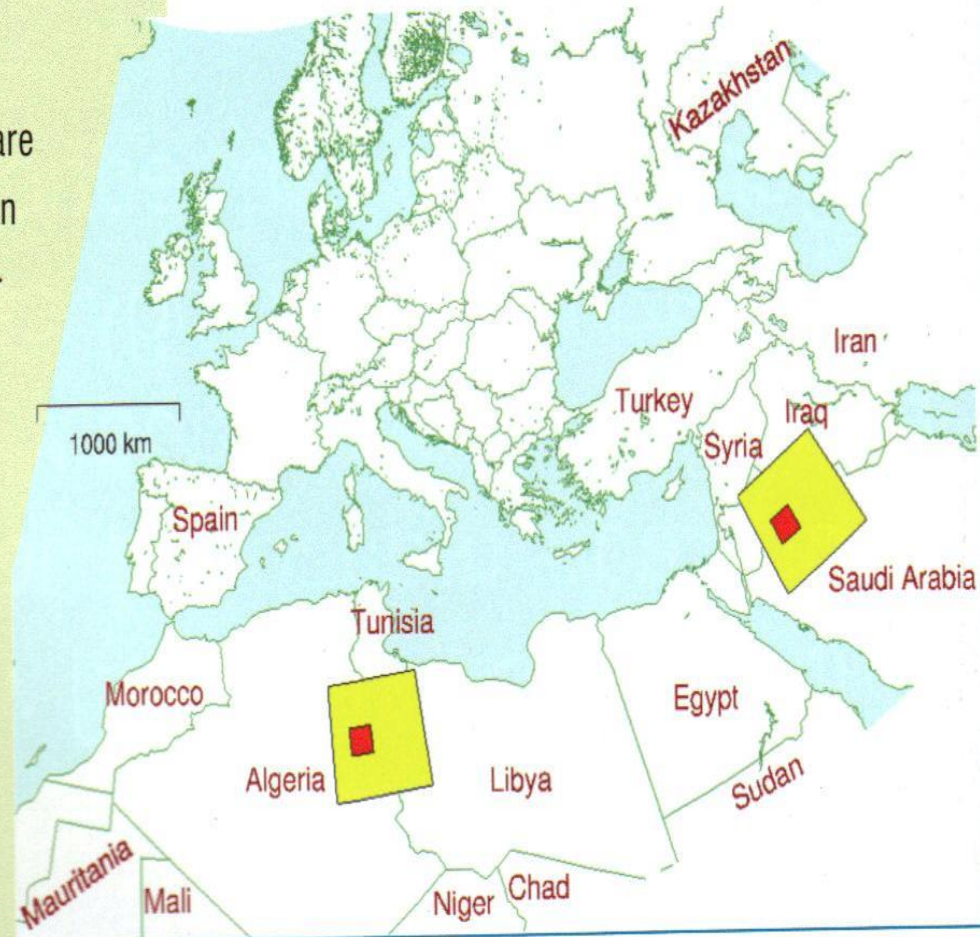


Energy Consumption Facts

- ▶ Energy Consumption in Kilowatt per day per person,
- ▶ USA : 250 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ Europe : 125 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ Middle East : 115 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ World : 60 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ China : 50 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ India : 17 kWh/day/Person
- ▶ Bangladesh : 5 kWh/day/Person

Alternate Energy Plan for Europe

At an average of 15 watts per square meter, harvesting concentrated solar power in the desert is our best option among the renewables. The yellow squares on this map are 600 kilometers on a side. Completely filling one of them with solar concentrators would supply power for a billion people at the European standard of consumption; doing the same for the world would require *two* such squares 1,000 kilometers on a side.



Thank You

▶ Questions- Discussion ?

Global Temperature (Historical Data)

GLOBAL LAND-OCEAN TEMPERATURE INDEX

Data source: NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies (GISS).

Credit: NASA/GISS

