PLANNING FOR A FUTURE WITHOUT OIL

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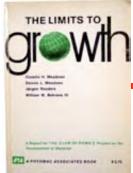
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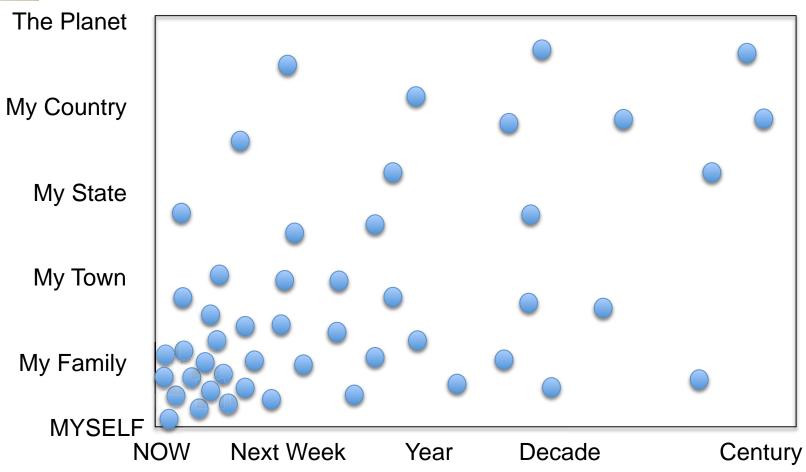
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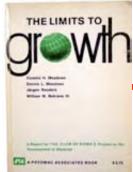
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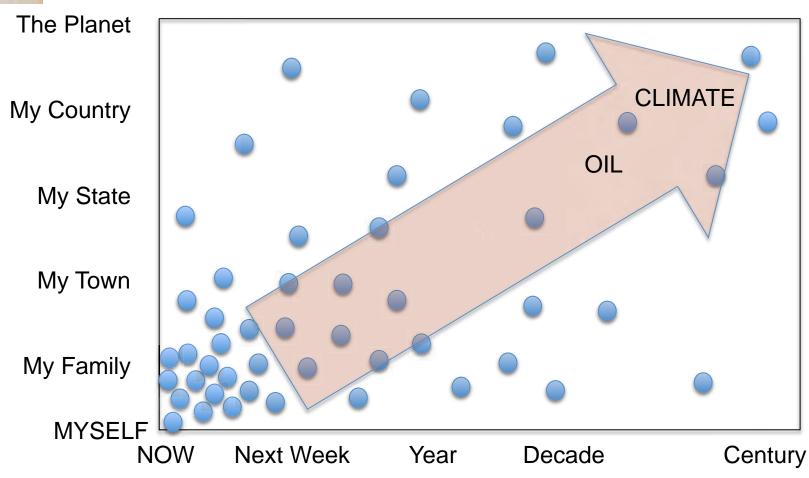
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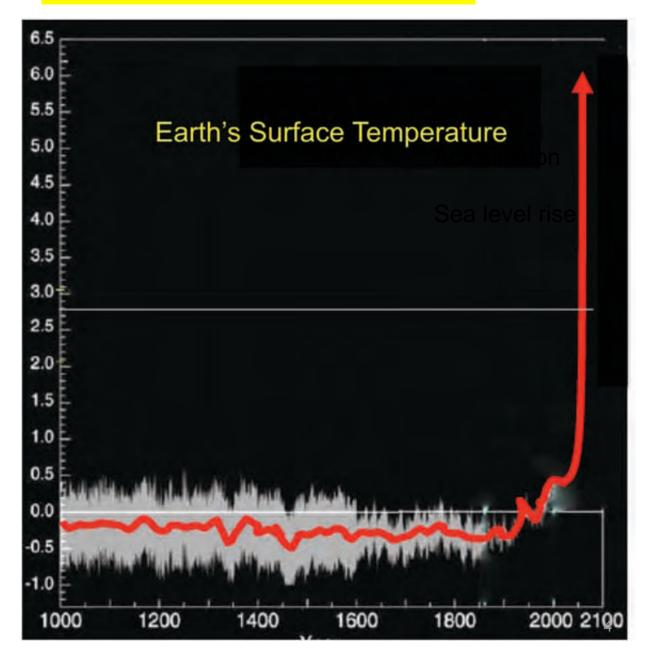
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Carbon Dioxide (ppm) 350 2000 300 CO_2 250 2000 1500 1000 Methane (ppb) Year CH₄ 500 330 Nitrous Oxide (ppb) 2000 10000 5000 Time (before 2005)

Stabilizing Climate: A critical challenge



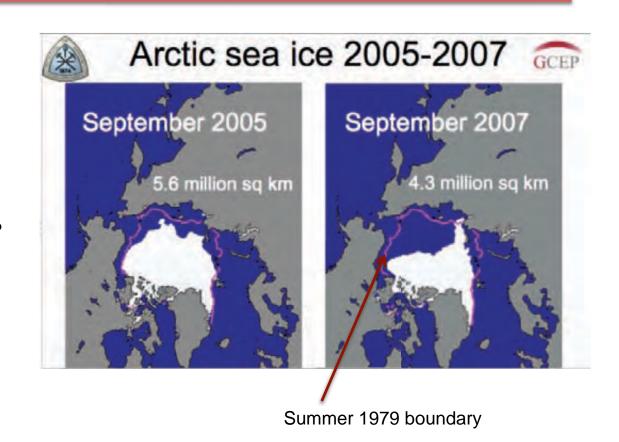
"TIPPING POINT" and POSITIVE FEEDBACK:

Warming → Less Ice → Darker surface → More solar absorption → More warming

GLOBAL WARMING..

Are we already seeing the effects?

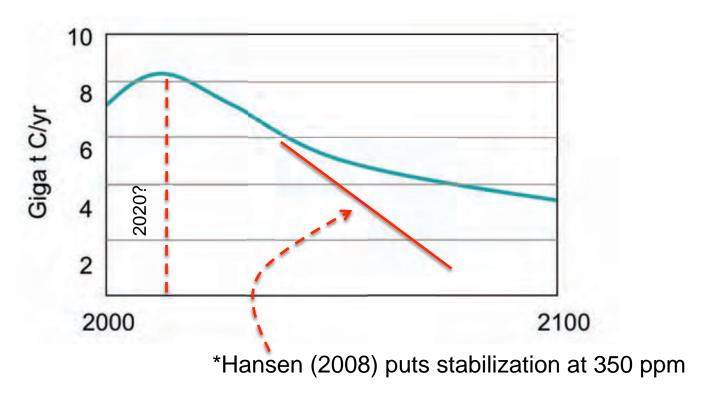
- •Reduced Arctic ice cover
- Glacial melting
- •Sea level rise
- Ocean acidification
- Wildfires
- Extreme weather events
 - Droughts
 - •Floods
 - Tornadoes



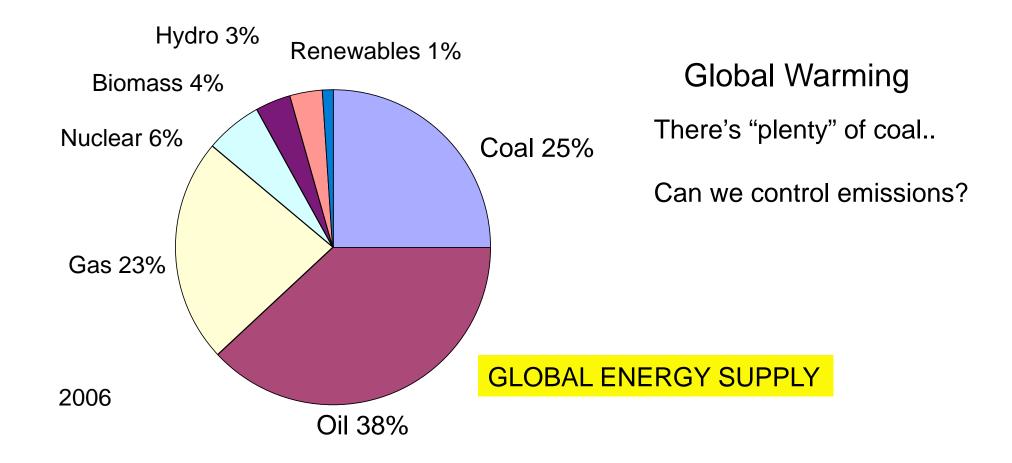
Preventing "Dangerous Anthropogenic Interference" to climate

A commonly used estimate of climate goal...

To control warming to 2°C would require CO₂ to be stabilized at around 450 ppm CO₂ (it is now about 384 ppm)*.



TWO FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS..... OIL AND CARBON



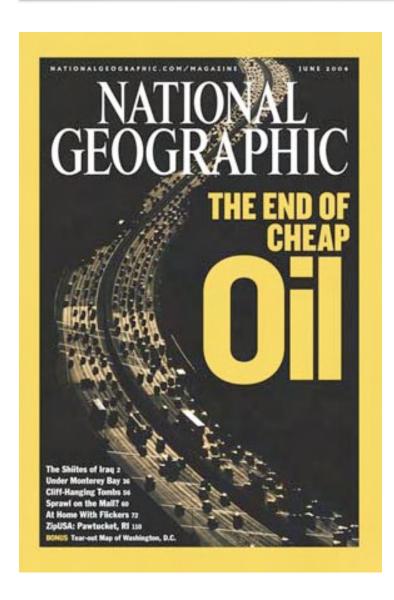
Energy Security

Is there enough oil?

Can supply keep up with demand?

Cheap

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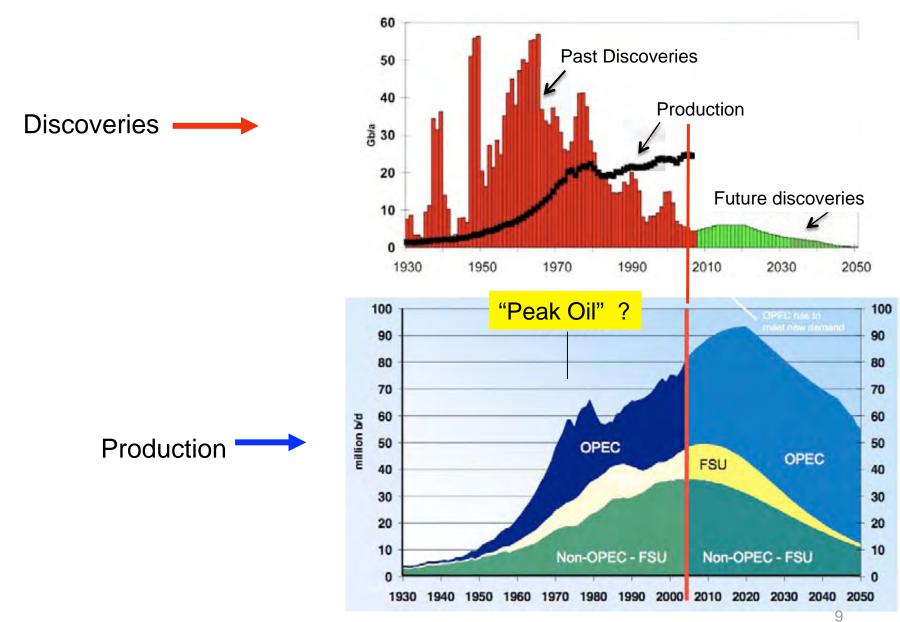




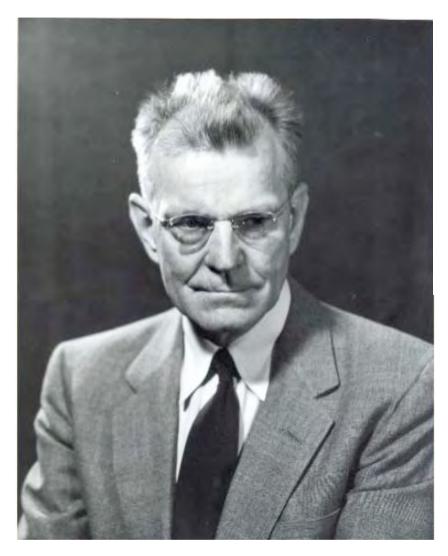
"The stone age came to an end ...not for a lack of stones..."

-- Sheik Yamani, former Saudi Oil Minister

OIL discoveries aren't keeping up with increasing production...



Oil prices may be stable as long as OPEC has competition.. Another 15 yrs... then what?



M. King Hubbert

"Nuclear Energy and the Fossil Fuels" American Petroleum Institute, March, 1956

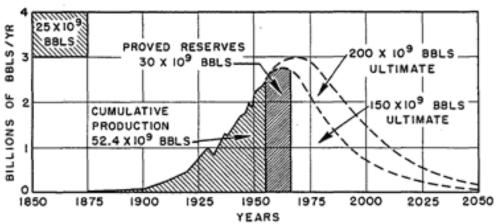


Figure 21 - Ultimate United States crude-oil production based on assumed initial reserves of 150 and 200 billion barrels.

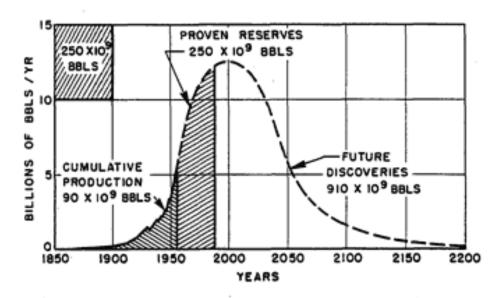
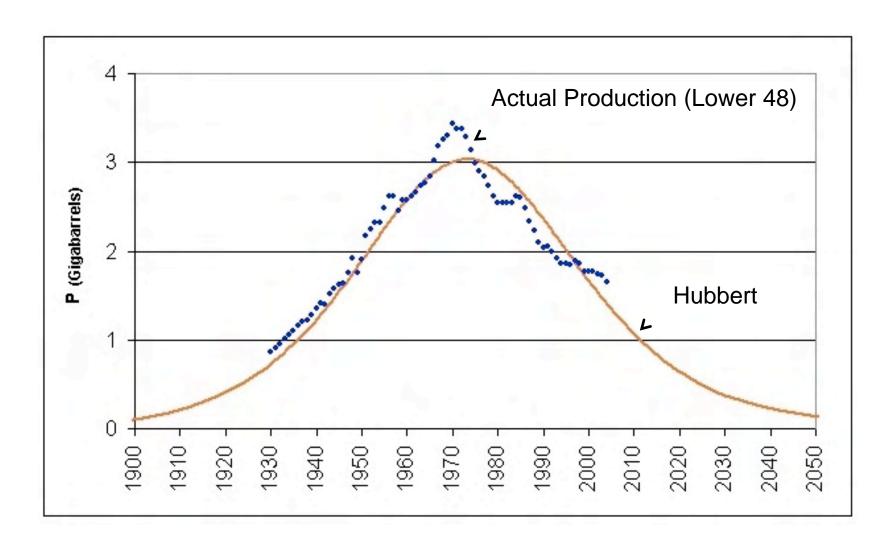
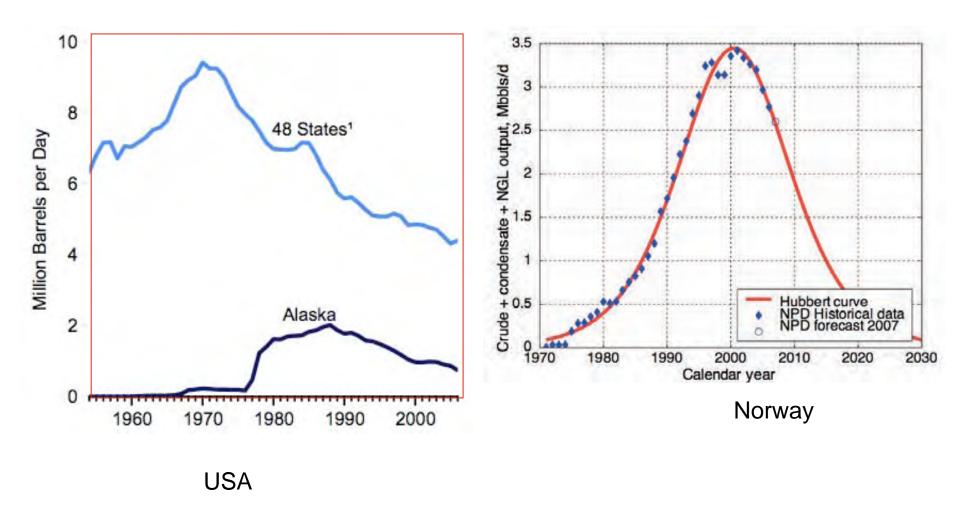


Figure 20 - Ultimate world crude-oil production based upon initial reserves of 1250 billion barrels.

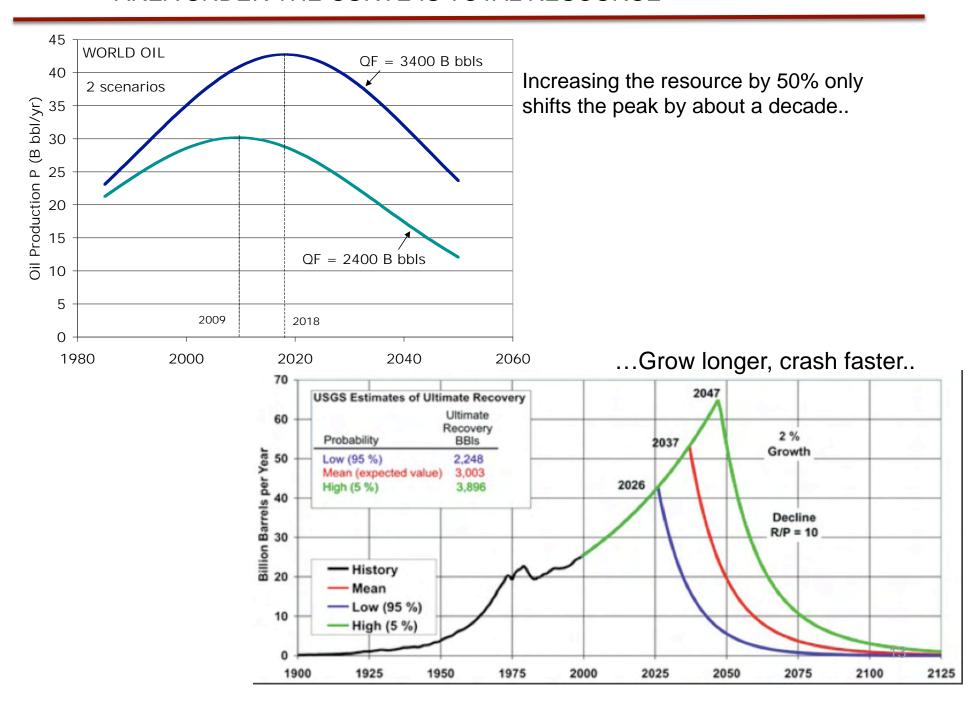
Hubbert Nailed It



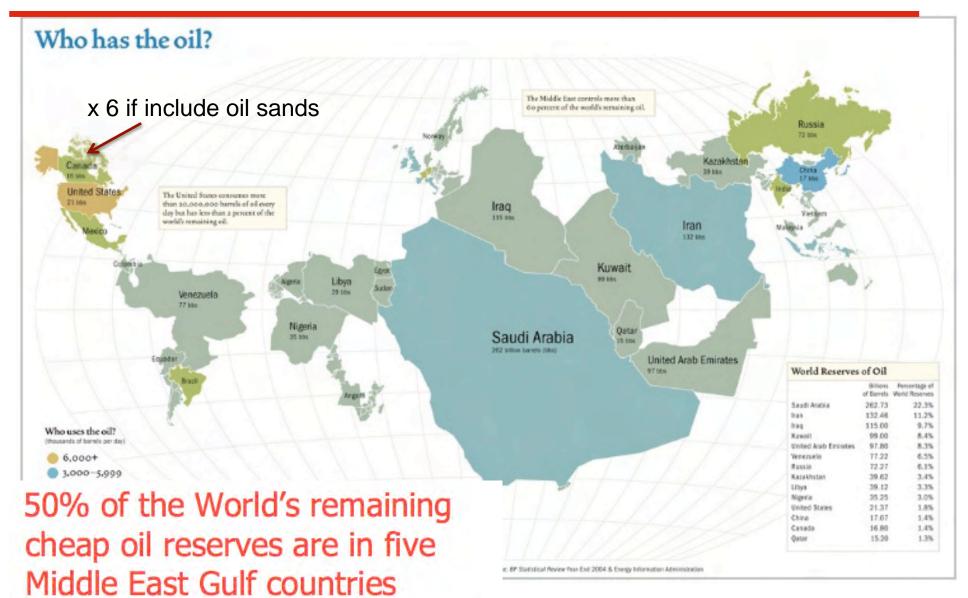
EXAMPLES OF OIL PRODUCTION PEAKING



AREA UNDER THE CURVE IS TOTAL RESOURCE



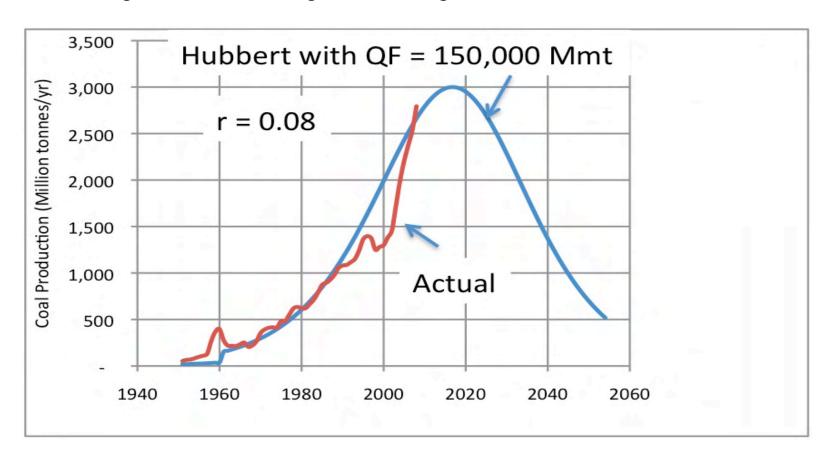
Who has the "cheap" (to produce) easy (to extract) readily accessible oil...



(Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iran, Iraq and the United Arab Emirates)

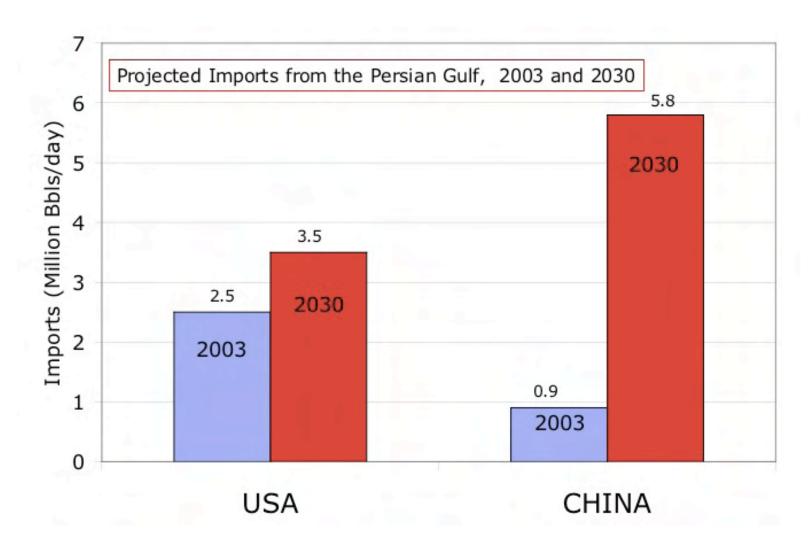
THE GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS ABOUT CHINA'S COAL RESOURCES

The good news is China may not have enough coal to continue its current path toward being the colossus of greenhouse gas emissions



The bad news China will have to scour the earth for energy resources

China's Dependence on Persian Gulf Oil is Expected to Grow Rapidly



Oil companies see big Gulf of Mexico discovery

Tests suggest huge oil field found in deep waters

Sept. 2006



Chevron estimated the 300 square-mile region where its test well sits could hold between 3 billion and 15 billion barrels of oil and natural gas liquids.

3 billion to 15 billion barrels, 28,000 ft down



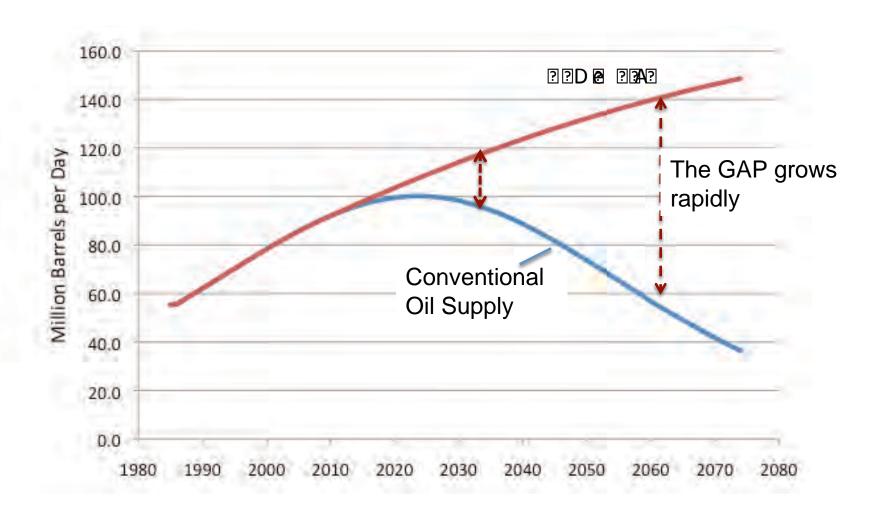
Canadian oil sands RESERVES estimated 170 billion bbls

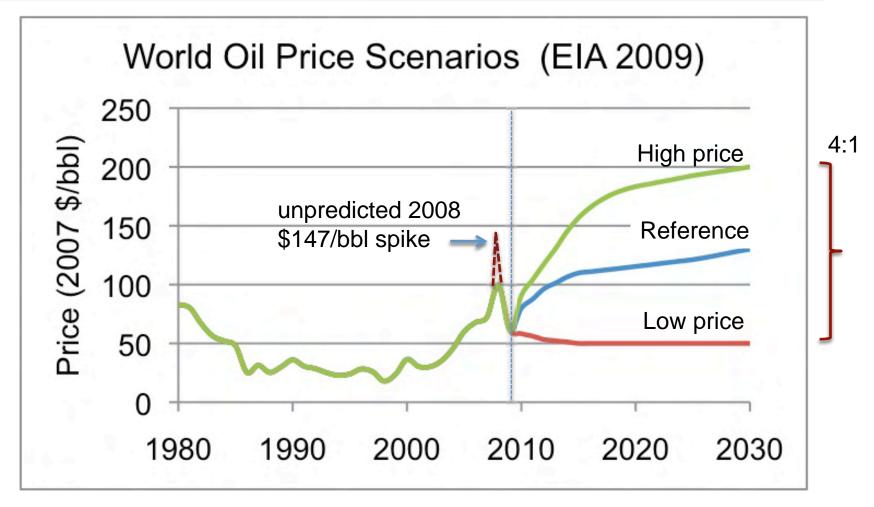
RESOURCES ?? 1700 billion bbls

Global oil sands RESOURCES ?? 4300 billion bbls

2007 World Oil Demand = 31 Bbbls/yr

CAN UNCONVENTIONAL OIL BE DEVELOPED FAST ENOUGH?



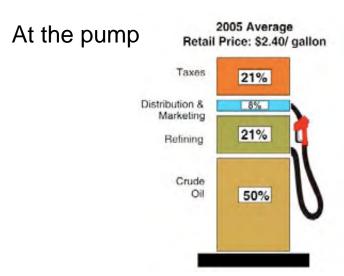


The EIA 30-yr "Reference Case" 2003: \$30

2004: \$40 2005: \$50

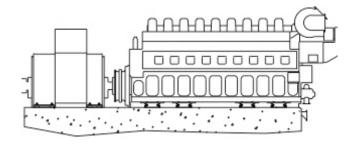
2009: \$130

IMPACT OF RISING CRUDE OIL PRICE ON DIESEL:

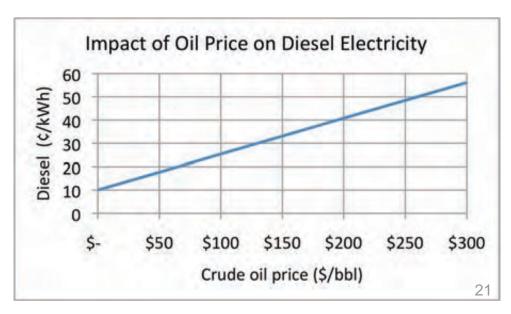


Assumptions: Wholesale \$/gal price of No.2 Diesel ≈ 2.8 x \$/bbl of crude, \$1/gal taxes, marketing, distribution

At the electric meter



Assumptions: 7000 Btu/kWh, \$0.10/kWh fixed costs



PLANNING FOR A FUTURE WITHOUT (much, cheap) OIL....



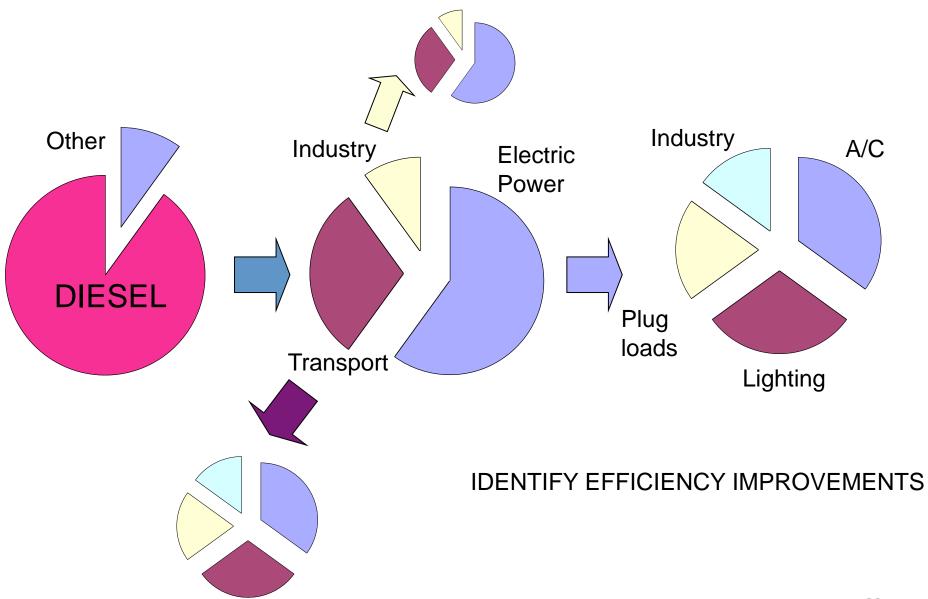
SET A GOAL: Minimum dependence on imported fuels by 2030

BASED ON: EFFICIENT USE OF ENERGY

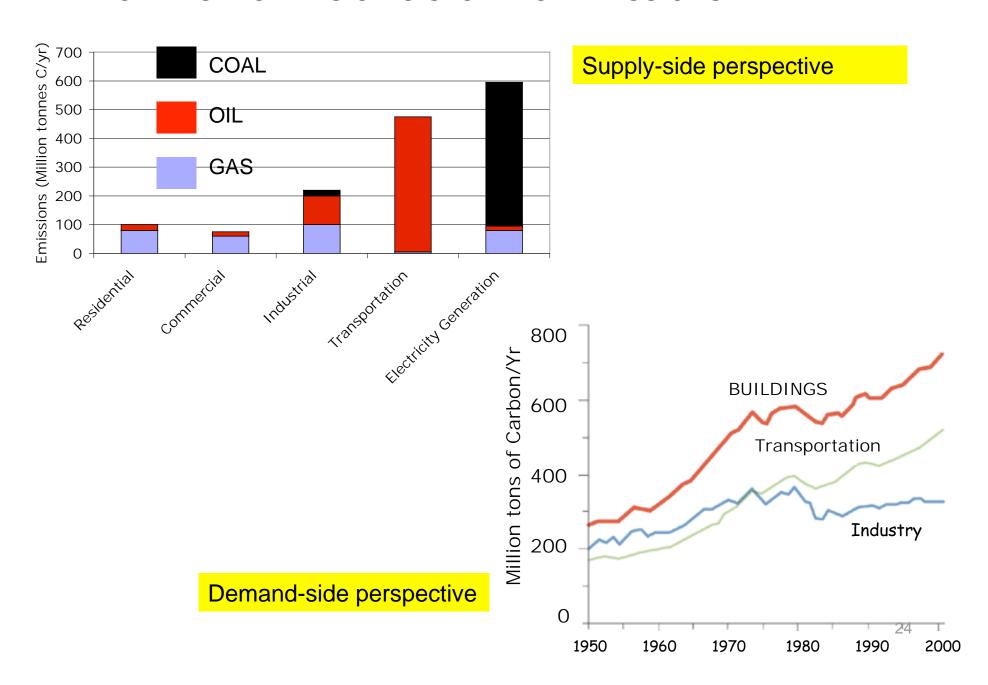
RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS

CREATE A PLAN: Short term.... Medium term ... Long term

SHORT TERM TASKS: 1) Understand energy demand



TWO PERSPECTIVES ON U.S. CARBON EMISSIONS



OUR GREATEST RESOURCE: Energy Efficiency

EFFICIENCY:

delivering the same energy service with less energy

Fastest, cheapest, cleanest energy resource

Often referred to as the "Low hanging fruit"



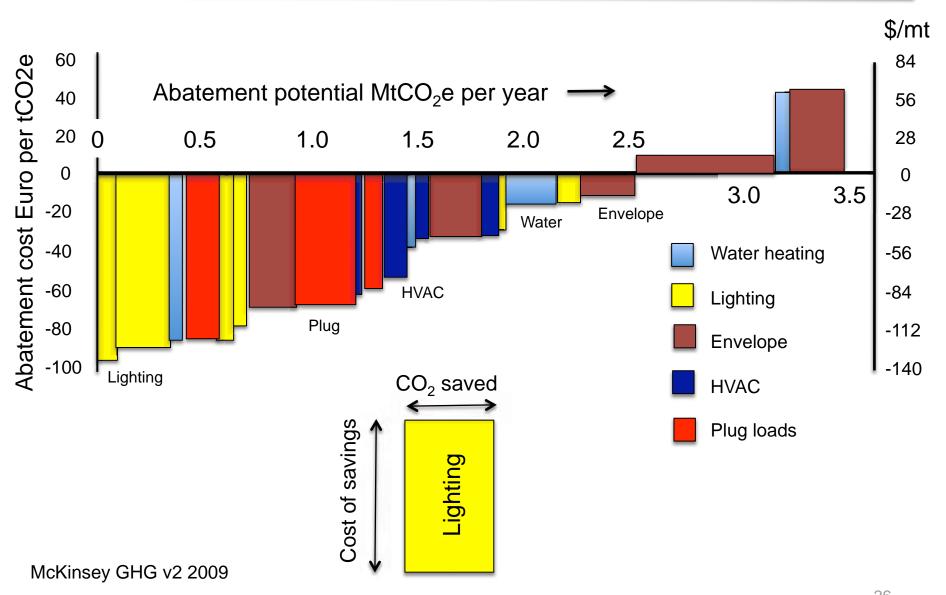
But... the economist and the \$20 bill



... the environmentalist and 2,000 pennies

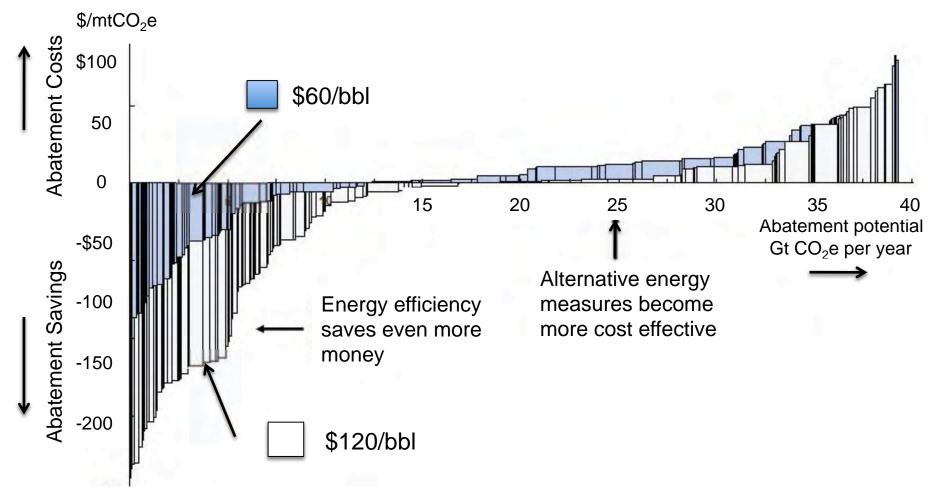


NUMEROUS EFFICIENCY/CO₂ ABATEMENT TECHNOLOGIES SAVE MONEY!



McKinsey Global GHG Abatement Curve for the Buildings Sector

WHEN OIL GETS MORE EXPENSIVE... Efficiency and Renewables become even more cost effective



Source: McKinsey Global GHG Abatement Curve v 2.0 (2009)

ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPTIONS... Buildings

BUILDINGS: In the U.S. almost half of all energy; almost three-fourths of electricity

Ventilation

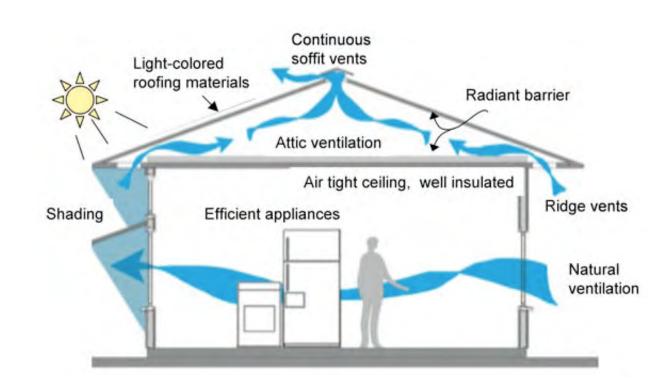
Roofing

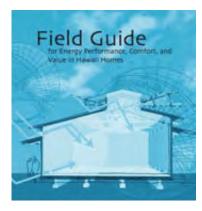
Windows

Lighting

Plug loads

Coolng



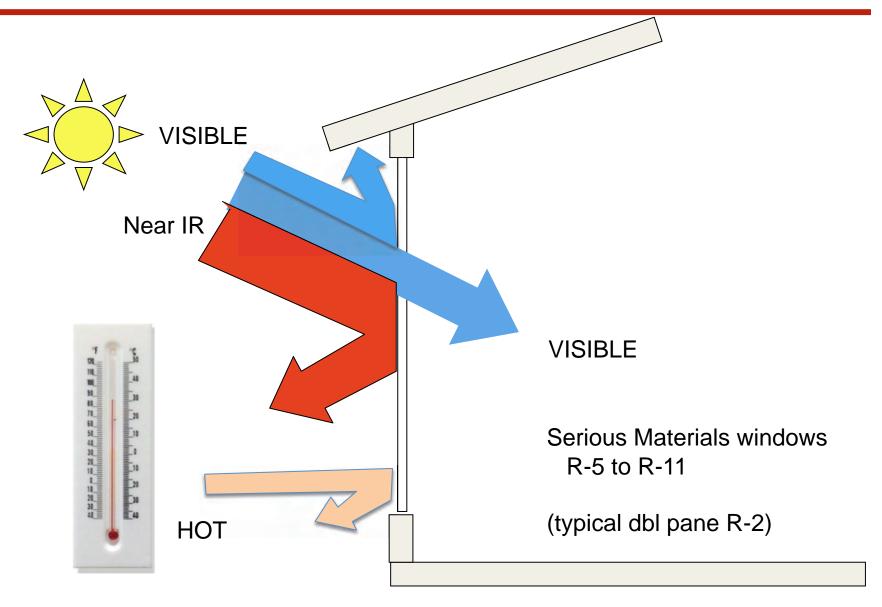


Field Guide for Energy Performance, Comfort and Value in Hawaiian Homes Dept of Business, Econ Development, Tourism



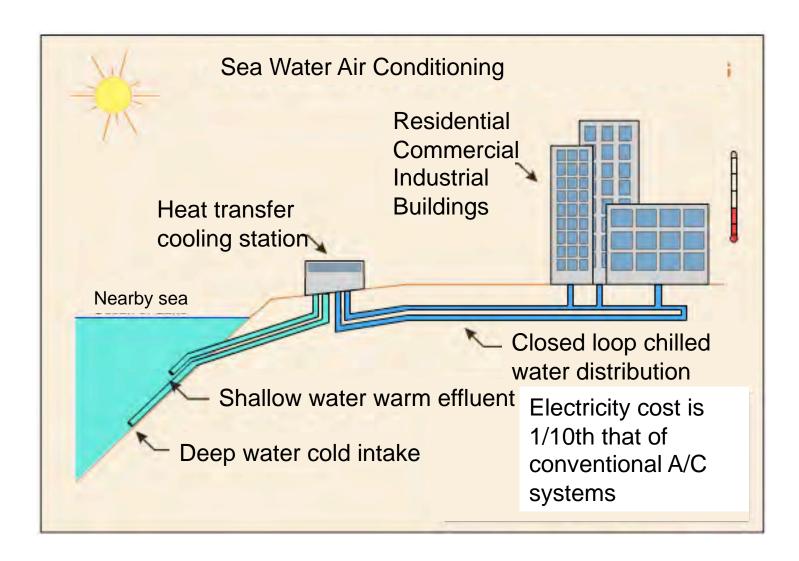
Energy-Efficient Florida Home Building Manual Florida Solar Energy Center 28 http://www.fsec.ucf.edu/en/publications/html

ENERGY EFFICIENT WINDOWS TO CONTROL COOLING LOADS

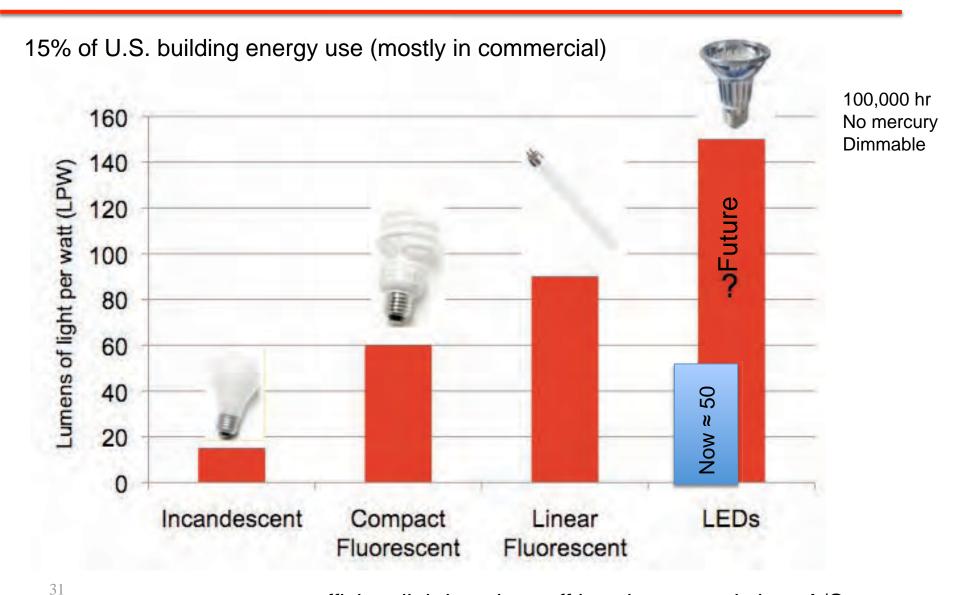


want HIGH thermal resistance (R-value) LOW Solar Heat Gain Factor (SHGF)

ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPTIONS...Sea water Air Conditioning

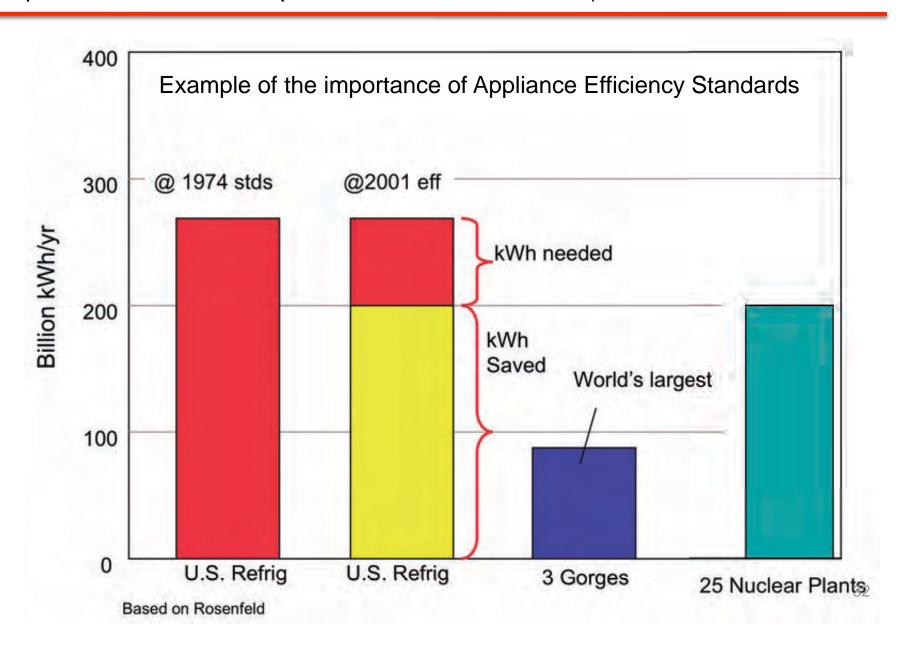


Very Promising Technology for Lighting: Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs)



ENERGY SAVINGS IN U.S. REFRIGERATORS

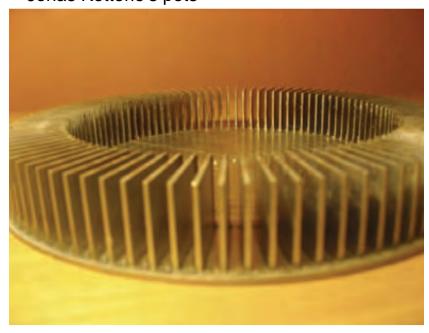
..equivalent to the full output of 25 nuclear reactors (which would cost ≈ \$150B)



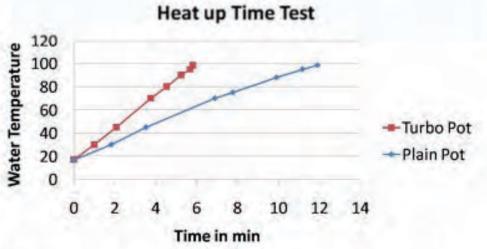
Eneron Heat-Exchanger Cooking pots... cut fuel use in half!



Jonas Ketterle's pots

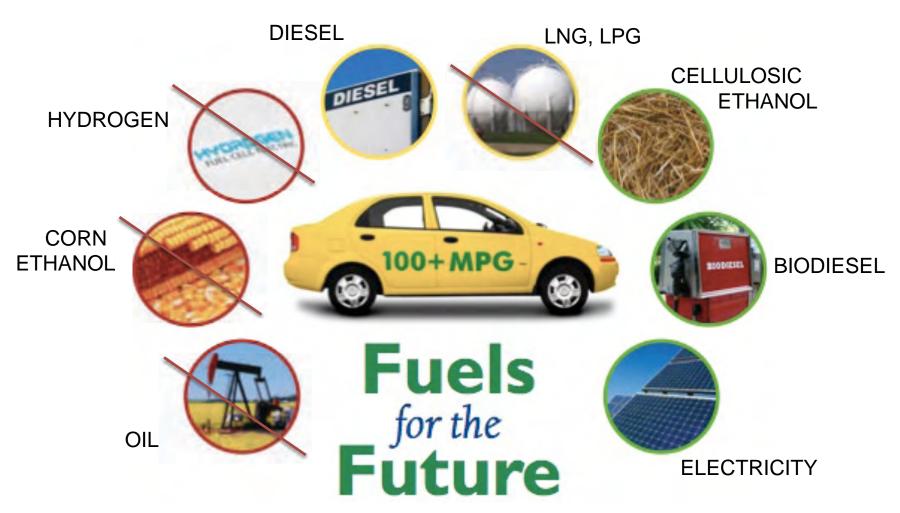






8" pots tested on a GE Monogram range top burner rated 15000BTU heating up 1.5litre water

FIRST MAKE CARS MORE FUEL EFFICIENT ... lighter, smaller, stronger.. then



RENEWABLES FOR THE PACIFIC.... Biofuels

BIODIESEL

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ETHANOL





BIOGAS

Corn

Sugar cane

Cellulosic

Digesters

Criteria:

Energy ratio (input/output)
Competition with food crops
Carbon reduction
Ecological impacts
Area requirements

Cars ... better X2 to convert to electricity for EVs

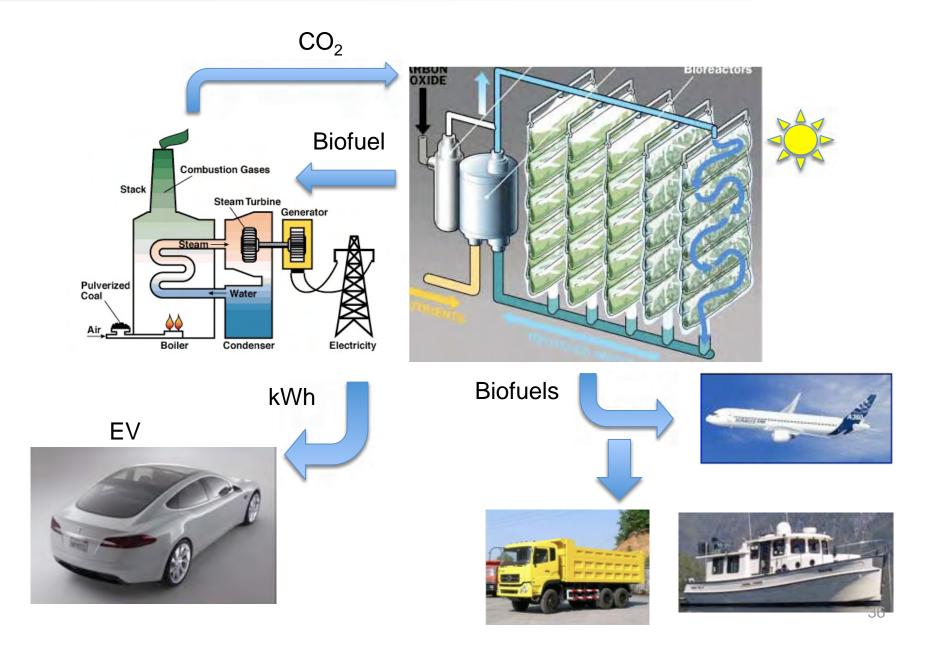
Trucks Boats Planes Biomass to miles ICV

Biomass to electric to BEV miles

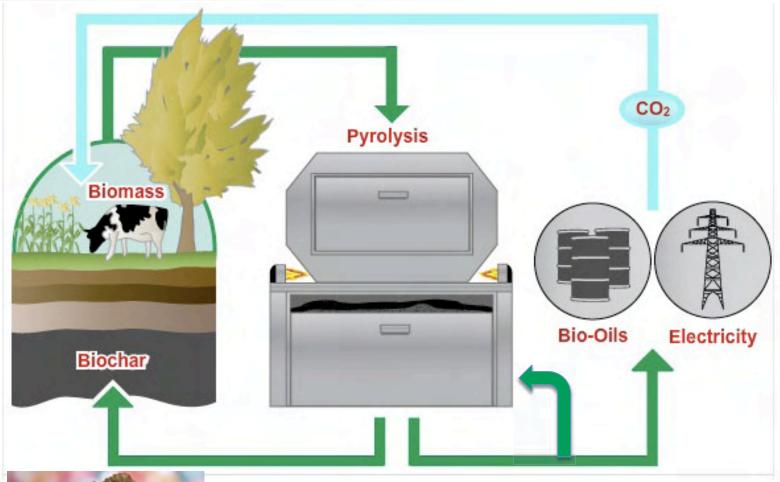
Field, Campbell, Science 2009

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"NEXT GENERATION" BIOFUELS FROM ALGAE...



BIOCHAR... a promising way to sequester carbon and create biofuels





Biochar's high carbon content and porous nature can help soil retain water, nutrients, protect soil microbes.

Pyrolysis converts biomass into syngas for fuel

and a porous, carbon-rich BIOCHAR, which can help soil retain water, nutrients and protect microbes

A VERY INTRIGUING APPROACH? Replace oil with electricity



REDUCED OIL DEMAND

Stop sending money to our enemies Reducing demand reduces price

MULTIPLE FUEL SOURCES:

Fossil fuels Nuclear Renewables

CLEANER:

No tailpipe emissions Less smog, better health Lower CO₂

CHEAPER:

10¢/kWh ≈ \$1/gallon

PLUG-IN HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES (PHEVs)

- •Batteries provide 20-60 electric miles
- •70% of U.S. vehicle-miles could be provided with idle generation capacity



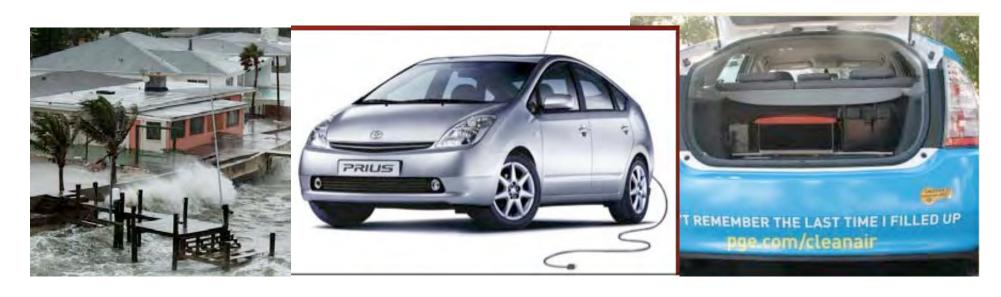
PLUG IN HYBRIDS for Emergency Power?

PHEV generate ≈ 10 kWh/gal

10 gal in the tank ≈ 100 kWh

Heat rate 12,500 Btu/kWh 125,000 Btulgal

Typical household ≈ 20 kWh/day 1 PHEV ≈ 5 days of energy



ALL-ELECTRIC Vehicles (EVs) Entering the Marketplace



Coda from China





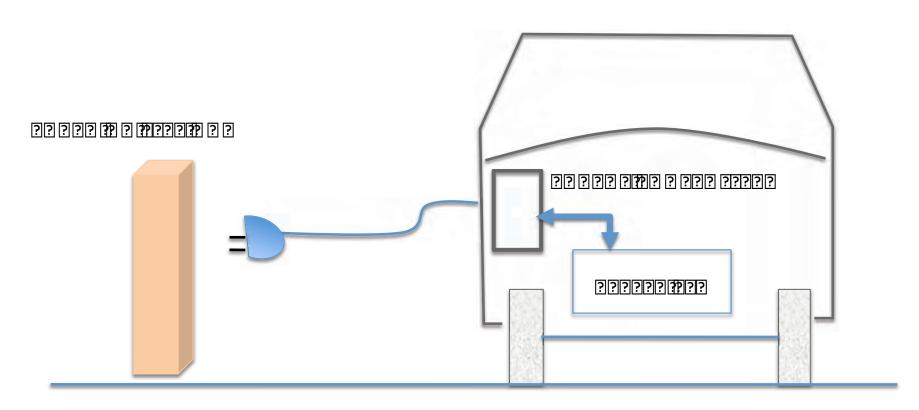




CHARGING STATIONS and Networks for PHEV and EV are coming ..

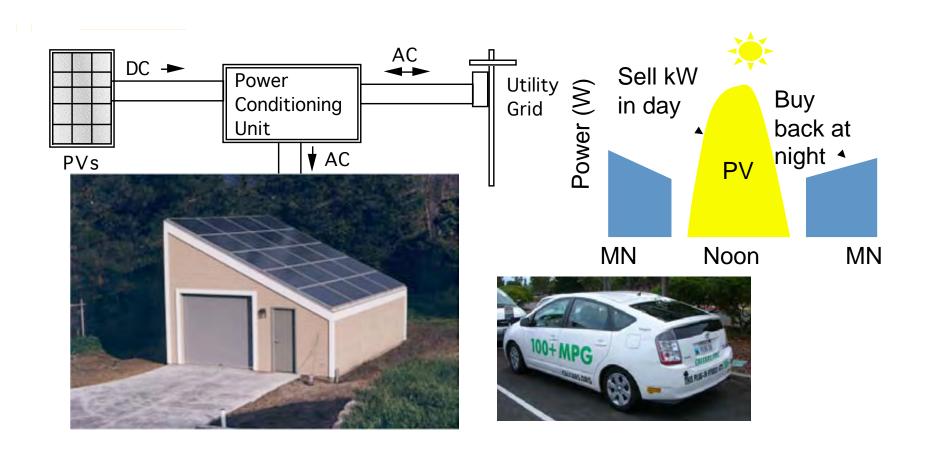


USER-CONTROLLED CHARGING CRITERIA



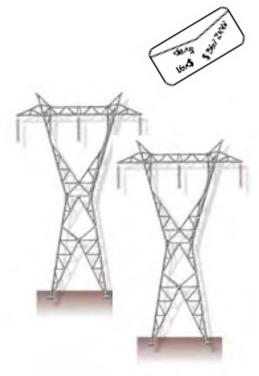
? (1997) ? (

CAN A BATTERY-ELECTRIC OR PHEV USE PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) POWER?



WHAT IF YOU GOT YOUR ELECTRICITY FROM THE SUN?





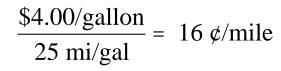
2 kWdc,stc x 0.75 x 5.5 hr/day x 365 day/yr x 3.5 mile/kWh = 10,500 mile/yr ≈ 30 mi/d

$$A = \frac{2 \text{ kW}}{1 \text{ kW/m}^2 \text{ x } 0.15 \text{ efficiency}} = 13.3 \text{ m}^2 = 140 \text{ ft}^2$$

FUEL COST FOR A VEHICLE IN THE PACIFIC....



25 mpg





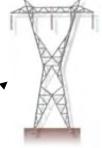
50 mpg hybrid:

$$\frac{\$4.00/\text{gallon}}{50 \text{ mi/gal}} = 8 \text{ ¢/mile}$$

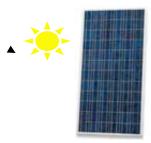








Grid electricity = 30¢/kWh x 0.25 kWh/mi = 7.5¢/mi





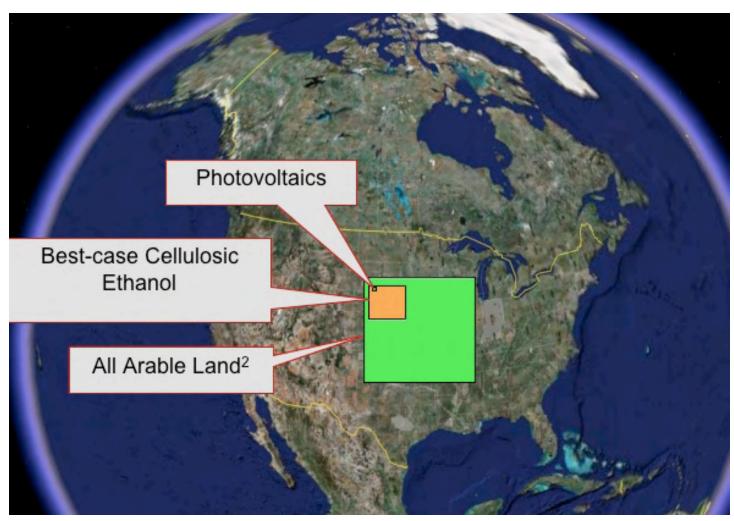
WOW!

U.S. costs w/o subsidies 6%, 30 yr loan

PV electricity =
$$\frac{\$7/\text{Wdc x } 0.0726/\text{yr x } 250 \text{ Wh/mi}}{0.75 \text{ Wac/Wdc x } 6 \text{ h/day x } 365 \text{ day/yr}} = 7.7 \text{¢/mi}_{46}$$

AREA REQUIRED

..to supply 50% of U.S. Passenger vehicle miles



RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES IN THE PACIFIC

WIND



SOLAR

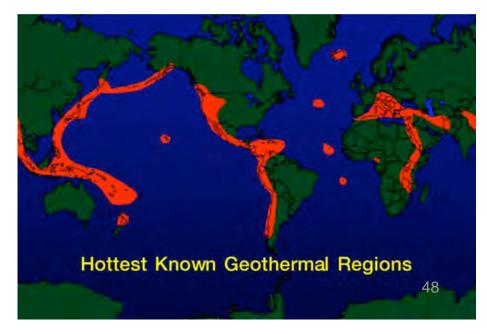


GEOTHERMAL

TIDES AND WAVES

SMALL HYDRO

BIOMASS



WIND POWER: The most mature renewable energy system

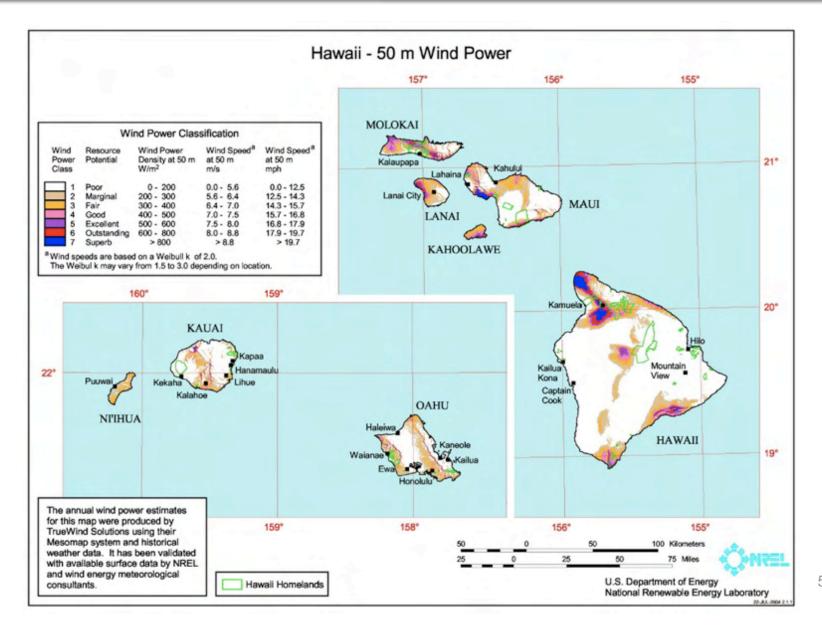


Global installed capacity growing 25% per year

In 2008 wind provided 40% of all new generation capacity worldwide

Competitive \$ with all conventional power generation

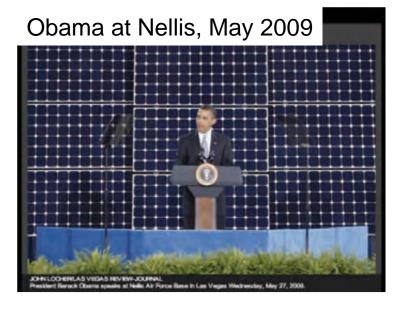
FIRST STEP: CHARACTERIZE THE WIND RESOURCE



PHOTOVOLTAICS production growing 40% per year:

...Crystal silicon still dominant technology





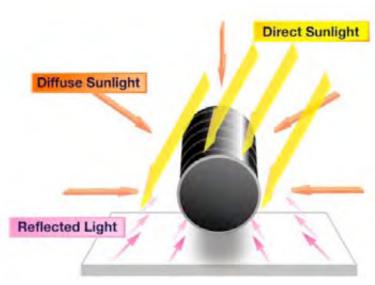
Mauna Lani Bay Resort Hotel, Hawaii 100 kW





Thin-film PV technologies promise to drop prices of solar cells dramatically





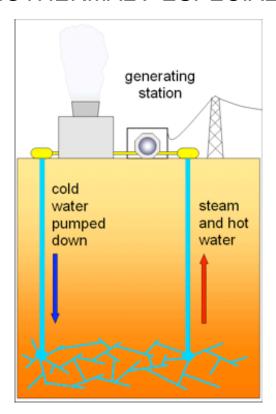
Solyndra CIGS

CONCENTRATING SOLAR POWER (CSP) SYSTEMS... competition for PVs

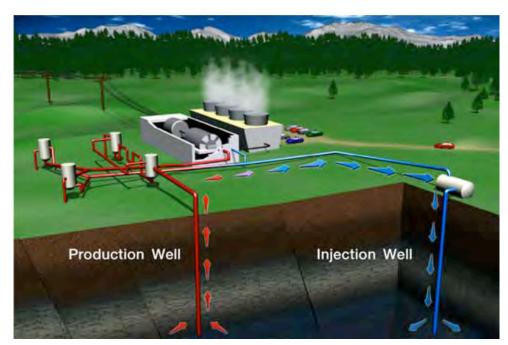
POTENTIAL FOR THERMAL STORAGE! (but H₂0 issues)

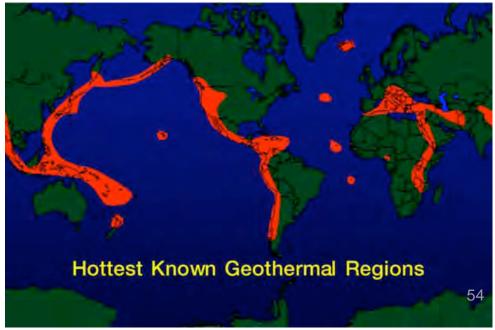


GEOTHERMAL: ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT AS RENEWABLE BASELOAD CAPACITY



28% of Philippines power from geothermal

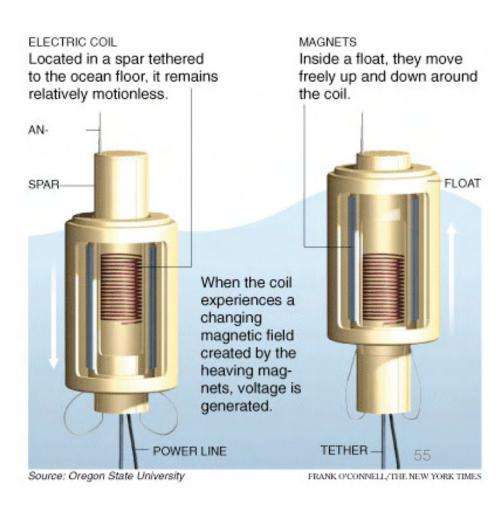




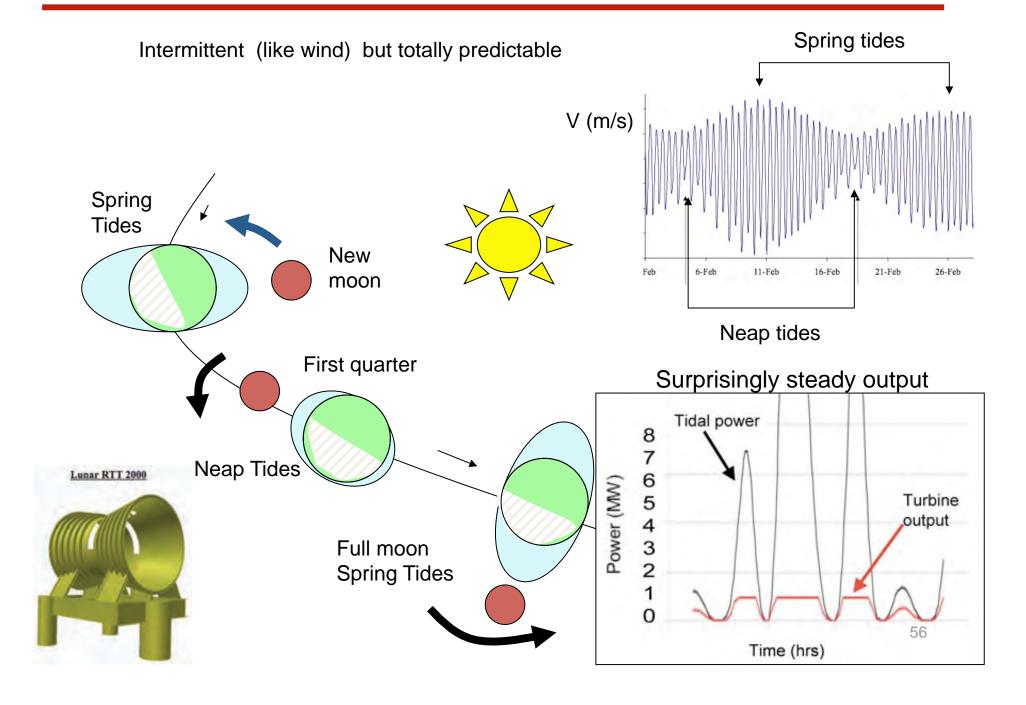
RENEWABLES FOR THE PACIFIC.... Wave Power?







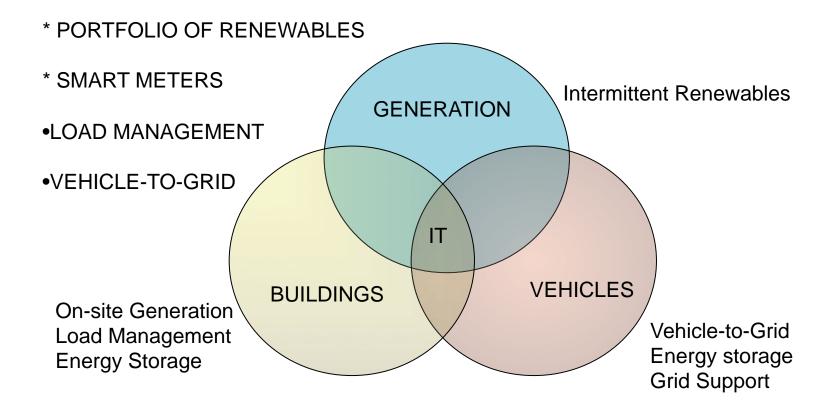
RENEWABLES FOR THE PACIFIC.... Tidal Power?



FOR RENEWABLES TO PLAY A SIGNIFICANT ROLE.. need a smart grid

Integration of generation, transmission/distribution, buildings, vehicle-to-grid

BOTH SIDES OF THE METER:



PLANNING FOR A FUTURE WITHOUT OIL...

SHORT-TERM TASKS:

DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

Wind turbines (kW)

Photovoltaics (kW)

Energy-efficient Buildings (Residential, Small commercial, New and Retrofit)

Electric vehicles (PHEVs, BEVs, 2-Wheel Evs)

Biofuels (Biodiesel from waste oils)

MAP RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT...educating the green workforce of the future

High school

Energy and environmental awareness, Environmental science Community College

Science, Technology, Policy

Green Job Training Programs

Building energy auditors, retrofits; PV and wind installation

MEDIUM-TERM TASKS: Decision Making and Implementation

Follow Hawaii's Lead..

UTILITY-SCALE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

MW-scale Renewables (PVs, Wind, CSP, geothermal..)

Address transmission constraints

Diesel generators begin to act as backup power for renewables

Biodiesel (pilot projects) algae, wastewater, etc.

ZERO-ENERGY demonstration buildings

SMART METER INSTALLATION Begin demand response

VEHICLE RECHARGING STATIONS

INTEGRATION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION INTO THE GRID

Intermittency of Renewable Energy Systems (easy for RE < 20%)

Grid stability: Voltage, frequency, real and reactive power, reliability

Demand response in buildings

Energy storage: Battery, flywheels, vehicles, hydro





PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS CAN BECOME THE PROVING GROUND FOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND DEMONSTRATION OF THE THE COMING SMART GRID.....!

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago.

The second best time is today.

--ancient Chinese proverb