Hydrogen Economy: The Future of Energy



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What is Hydrogen?

Hydrogen is the most abundant element (75% of the mass of the universe) is all around us. Hydrogen is the fuel that can be produced from tap water (H2O), could become the forever fuel of the future, generating power for homes, industries, and cars.

Hydrogen can be also be produced from a variety of resources, such as natural gas, nuclear power, biogas, biomass and renewable power like solar and wind.

What Is Hydrogen Economy?

Hydrogen economy is a vision of an energy delivery infrastructure based on **Hydrogen is clean and carbon-free energy carrier.** It consists of an economic system in which energy is supplied by **Renewable Resources.**

Hydrogen is flexible, affordable, safe, domestically produced, used in all sectors of the economy, and in all regions of the country). Hydrogen is the medium of energy storage and transport.

Fuel cells would generate electricity from hydrogen with heat and water vapor as byproducts.

A Vision of a Hydrogen Future

"I believe that water will one day be employed as fuel, that hydrogen and oxygen which constitute it, used singly or together, will furnish an inexhaustible source of heat and light, of an intensity of which coal is not capable. I believe then that when the deposits of coal are exhausted, we shall heat and warm ourselves with water. Water will be the coal of the future."

-- Jules Vernes (1870) L'île mystérieuse 5

How is Hydrogen Produced?

- **1. Electrolysis of water (**Use electricity to split water into O2 and H2) using electricity from conventional power plants or Renewable Energy like Solar & Wind.
- **2. Reforming fossil fuels** (including gasoline, diesel, natural gas, propane or coal as needed)
 - Heat hydrocarbons with steam (Produce H2 and CO)
- **3. High Temperature Electrolysis**
- 4. Biological processes (From methane gas, landfills, waste treatment or biomass processing).
 - Very common in nature

Fuel Cell



Overall Reaction: H2 + 1/2O2 = H2O + Electricity

All fuel cells have the same basic configuration - an electrolyte and two electrodes.

- Fuel cells are classified by the kind of electrolyte used.
- <u>The type of electrolyte used determines the kind of</u> <u>chemical reactions that take place and the temperature</u> <u>range of operation</u>.

Fuel Cell Type

PEMFC - Polymer Electrolyte Membrane Fuel Cells (or Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cells)

- **DMFC** Direct Methanol Fuel Cells
- **AFC** Alkaline Fuel Cells
- **PAFC** Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cells
- MCFC- Molten Carbonate Fuel CellsSOFC Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

Fuel Cell Type

| Fuel cell type | Operating Temp (°C) | Effici- ency | Suitable applications | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | | Domestic power | Small- scale power | Large- scale | Trans- port |
| PEMFC | 50-120 | 40-50 | V | V | × | Ń |
| AFC | 50-90 | 50-70 | ~ | V | x | V |
| PAFC | 150-220 | 40-45 | x | V | x | x |
| MCFC | 600-650 | 50-60 | x | V | ~ | × |
| SOFC | 800-1000 | 50-60 | V | V | V | X |

Electrolysis of Water (H2O)



Fuel Cell Hydrogen from watersplitting:

Solar water splitting is the process by which energy in solar photons is used to break down liquid water into molecules of hydrogen and oxygen gas.

Hydrogen produced through solar water does not emit carbon into the atmosphere.



Hydrogen from steam reforming:

95% of the usage



Fuel Cell

HTS – High temperature shift LTS -- Low temperature shift

Steam Reforming

From any hydrocarbon

-Natural gas typically used

 Water (steam) and hydrocarbon mixed at high temperature (700–1100 °C)

-Steam (H₂O) reacts with methane (CH₄)

 $-CH_4 + H_2O \rightarrow CO + 3 H_2 - 191.7 kJ/mol$

 The thermodynamic efficiency comparable to (or worse than) an internal combustion engine – Difficult to motivate investment in technology



Regenerative Fuel Cell



Storing & Transporting Hydrogen

Storing The Green Hydrogen

Developing safe, reliable, compact and cost-effective hydrogen storage is a challenges to widespread use of fuel cell technology. The most widely used hydrogen storage techniques includes **Physical storage** and **Chemical storage**. <u>Recent developments incudes cryogenic compression,</u> <u>liquefaction and utilizing functionalized adsorbent</u> (dissolve) materials for storage of hydrogen.

- Potential and technical challenges of on-board hydrogen storage technologies coupled with fuel cell systems for aircraft electrification
- Underground hydrogen storage
- Silicon nanostructures for solid-state hydrogen storage or metal hydride materials for hydrogen storage
- Transporting and storing Liquid Hydrogen

High Energy Density Hydrogen



Renewable Energy for Electrolysis



Hydrogen Steam Reforming Plants





Biomass Electrolysis Module



http://www.nrel.gov/bydragen/photos.html

Hydrogen Pathways



Operating the Hydrogen Economy



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Hydrogen Energy Cycle



HYDROGEN (H2) ECONOMY APPLICATIONS













Hydrogen-Powered Autos



Figure 1. A conceptual fuel cell vehicle fueled with 5,000 psi hydrogen stored in carbon fiberwrapped tanks

Fuel cell SUV

Courtesy: Honda Introduces Solar Hydrogen Station on Saitama Prefectural Office Grounds

Hyundai ix35 fuel cell SUV with Malmö's famous Turning Torso in the background (Source: City of Malmö/Peter Adamsson)





How can Fuel Cell Technology be used?

Transportation

- All major automakers are working to commercialize a fuel cell car.

fuel cell buses are currently in use in North and South America, Europe, Asia and Australia

- Trains, planes, boats, scooters, and even bicycles are utilizing fuel cell technology as well









Hydrogen fuel cell buses in London





Hydrogen-Powered Trucks



Hydrogen Fueling Station



Hydrogen Fueling Station

Courtesy: Honda solar hydrogen station (FCX Clarity Car)



Fuel Cell Technology Aircrafts

First Commercial Fuel Cell Powered Aircraft: Airbus and the German Aerospace Center (DLR) presented the first commercial aircraft powered by fuel cells at the ILA **Berlin Air Show 2008**. <u>The fuel cells cannot replace the</u> <u>plane's jet engines for powering the heavy plane through</u> <u>the air.</u>

Fuel cells replace the auxiliary power units which meet the plane's power demands when the plane is on the ground.



Hydrogen-Powered Aircraft





Hydrogen powered passenger aircraft with cryogenic tanks along spine of fuselage. **Hydrogen fuel requires about 4 times the volume of standard jet fuel**.

Fuel Cell Technology for Planes

Boeing Flies First Ever Hydrogen Fuel Cell Plane:

The experimental airplane climbed to an altitude of 1,000 m above sea level using a combination of lithium-ion battery power and power generated by hydrogen fuel cells.

 After reaching the cruise altitude, batteries were disconnected, and the plane flew straight and level at a cruising speed of 100 km/h for about 20 min on power solely generated by the fuel cells.



World's First Liquid-Hydrogen Electric Aircraft Flight



Germany developer of hydrogen-electric powertrain systems for aircraft H2FLY has announced it has successfully completed the world's first piloted flight of an electric aircraft powered by liquid hydrogen on September 7, 2023.

Utilized cryogenically stored liquid hydrogen instead of pressurized gaseous hydrogen storage. Maximum range 1,500 km (932 miles). Net zero-emission long-distance flights.

Hydrogen-Powered Rockets



Converting gas turbine to hydrogen turbine

Converting a gas turbine to a hydrogen turbine The use of hydrogen as a gas turbine fuel has been demonstrated commercially, but there are differences between natural gas and hydrogen that must be taken into account to properly and safely use hydrogen in a gas turbine.

Hydrogen—GE is successfully operating entire fleet of gas turbines on varying levels of hydrogen—and with a path towards running on 100% hydrogen safely.

Korean Researchers Develop 2-Liter Hydrogen-Fueled Engine

Sept. 8, 2023



Advantages of Hydrogen as a Fuel

- Hydrogen exist as unlimited supply (Ocean covers more than 70 percent of the surface of our planet sea water)
- 2. Hydrogen is Renewable
- 3. Hydrogen is clean burning (No direct CO2 emissions)
- 4. Waste product of burning H2 is water
- 5. Hydrogen weighs less and generates more power than hydrocarbon fuels
- 6. Hydrogen burns faster and lower temperatures than conventional gasoline
- 7. Elimination of fossil fuel pollution
- 8. Elimination of economic dependence
- 9. Distributed production

Disadvantages of Hydrogen Energy

- Production and Storage Costs
- Lack of Infrastructure
- Energy Density (hydrogen has a low volumetric energy density (Uncompressed, the amount of energy in 1 L of hydrogen is about one-fourth of the amount in gasoline. However, when it is compressed into a liquid, the energy density is three times greater than gasoline)

HYDROGEN ECONOMY FUTURE



Hydrogen use by region from 2025 to 2050





"HYDROGEN – The New Source of Power"

- Hydrogen = "Currency of the Future" HYDROGEN Revolution Roadmap to the Hydrogen Economy Why Hydrogen as a Transportation Fuel
- Hydrogen will become an alternative fuel or the mainstream fuel ?

India Creates Green Hydrogen Economy During G20 Leadership

GH2 Solar

India Creates Green Hydrogen Economy



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Summary and Conclusions

Hydrogen is extremely attractive because of its environmental implications, and because use of hydrogen in fuel cells is efficient

- Production from renewable sources is the most attractive long-term and cost effective (need volume production)
- Hydrogen is a key to decarburization for industry
- Hydrogen is a fuel of tomorrow and today
- If governments worldwide adopt, Hydrogen can become a cost-effective and sustainable energy source in the future. 48

INDIA WILL BE USING HYDROGEN TO RUN MANY TRAINS IN DECEMBER 2023.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4H7rB2Ie0rU



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www.infomance.com

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Imagine a future where the electrical power needed to run your computer, TV, and DVD is generated from a small appliance about the size of a dishwasher located in your home. Envision generating electricity without combustion and producing heat and pure drinking water as byproducts.

Picture a world powered almost entirely by an infinitely abundant and totally clean fuel. Hydrogen, the most common element in the universe, is that fuel, which can be produced from tap water to generate power for homes and cars.

HYDROGEN ECONOMY: THE FUEL OF THE FUTURE



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HOW TO ELIMINATE AMERICA'S ADDICTION TO OIL

How to Eliminate America's Addiction to Oil - By Darshan Goswami, M.S., P.E. Chief, Renewable Energy, USDA July 2006 http://www.arizonaenergy.org/News_06/News%20Sep%

http://www.arizonaenergy.org/News_06/News%20Sep%2006/How%20t o%20Eliminate%20America's%20Addiction%20to%20Oil.htm

Innovative technologies such as hydrogen, renewable energy, and energy efficiency can eliminate our reliance on foreign oil. A Hydrogen "Manhattan Project" for Energy is needed to accelerate the transition to a Hydrogen Economy and ensure that this vision becomes a reality within the next 10 years. There is no need to wait 20 to 40 years to achieve the Hydrogen Economy vision and eliminate Amegica's addiction to oil.

How India Can Export Sunshine Around the World?



- By Darshan Goswami, M.S., P.E.; U.S. Department of Energy; Pittsburgh, PA; USA August 9, 2017

Solar energy is a free source of non-polluting renewable energy which is sustainable and inexhaustible. Most people are aware of photovoltaics (PV), and that solar panels can be used to generate electricity and produce hot water. Now experts have developed techniques to convert sunlight into 'Solar Fuels'. If done economically, this would make a huge step toward overcoming the two major obstacles in shifting from fossil fuels to renewable energy: namely, storing large amounts of energy for later use, and powering forms of transportation that cannot easily run on batteries.

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Hydrogen Economy Schematic

