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My career in hydrogen energy began in 1976 when working for Pratt and Whitney Aircraft in West Palm Beach, Florida. Specifically, we were developing the technologies for high-power, continuous wave hydrogen fluoride and deuterium fluoride chemical lasers. Later my academic career started at the University of Miami, then California Institute of Technology, then Missouri University of Science and Technology and now at Purdue University.



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What is Future-Back Thinking?

Future-back Thinking is an innovative approach to strategy development that empowers leaders to envision the *breakthrough opportunities* that drive longterm achievements and then implement the initiatives that are needed to meet the challenge. Future-back Thinking is sometimes called Backcasting as a planning method that starts by defining a desirable future and then works backwards to identify policies and programs that will connect that future to the "If we want to achieve a certain goal, present.

what actions must be taken to get there?"



Why use Future-Back Thinking?

Many organizations today however employ a *Present-Forward Thinking* which gives false hope to the thinking that existing business can be extended out in time indefinitely by simply making incremental improvements.

What is the Mindset Imperative

The world has changed, and our thinking must also change.





Future-Back Thinking for Green Hydrogen To achieve Net-Zero Emissions by 2050, business and government leaders must truly work together using *Future-Back Thinking* as a 'dual transformation' approach of extending the lifespan of the current core business while identifying and seizing the new-growth opportunities of tomorrow.



Imagine it's 2050. Green H₂ has transformed the way we work. Climate Change affects the way we live.



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AND not OR!

We should consider using *Future-Back Thinking* for *Transformative Ambitions* for *Green Hydrogen* by making 'sustainable energy' irresistible for customers, while achieving systems change with partnerships that focus on meaningful action at scale, by using fuel cell and hydrogen technologies to create a step change within the renewable energy sector, hence helping you redefine what *value creation* means for your organization.

If necessary, you may need to *reinvent* your core business!



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Hydrogen Council Hydrogen from renewable and low-carbon sources will be complementary to electricity in reaching all objectives of energy policy in the long term.



Sustainability

Renewable and low-carbon hydrogen have very low life cycle carbon emissions

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Hydrogen is well positioned for wherever large amounts of energy are needed, such as the heavyduty trucks due to the higher energy storage density of the hydrogen fuel cell systems.



Battery

(BEV)

BEVs are vital for enabling fast decarbonisation of transport and will become mainstream in many use cases Passenger car/ light commercial vehicle (LCV)

Relevance in segment

(illustrative)





Fuel cell

(FCEV)

For **important segments** of road transport, **hydrogen** is the **best option**.

- Regions with constrained renewables or grid capacity in the mid to long term
- Vehicle segments with high power and energy demands
- Use cases and customer segments with a preference for long-range capability and fast refuelling

Hydrogen Council The exact role will depend on the regional situation

Europe is expected to have a highly seasonal electricity generation, that will need to be buffered over long Periods to time.

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Local, predominantly renewable hydrogen and imports

> Diverse electricity supply mix, grids partially strained Mostly local, renewable hydrogen

Renewables and grids constrained Large net hydrogen importer

> Renewables and nuclear, limited cross-country grid interconnection

> Local renewable and lowcarbon hydrogen

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> 12 Facts about the Complementary Role > of BEVs and FCEVs

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Greener

Comparable systemic efficiency

In a systemic view, BEVs and FCEVs have comparable 'sun/ wind-to-wheel' efficiencies

② Similar CO₂ life cycle BEVs and FCEVs are similarly beneficial in CO₂ life cycle assessment

Storage and import Hydrogen can store local renewable energy across seasons and enable renewable energy import from optimal production locations

Resource demand reduction

Lower total resource demand due to recycled platinum and reduced nickel, cobalt, lithium mining

Faster

Independence from electricity mix

One path is not enough; faster decarbonisation can be combined with a low-carbon energy system independent from the electricity mix

6 Additional capacity

Transition towards decarbonised transport just kicking off, BEV and FCEV must jointly accelerate

Building momentum

Greater momentum on hydrogen than is visible on the road

8 Convenience and flexibility

Convenience and flexibility are key customer needs, which FCEVs can meet with long range and fast refuelling

Situational benefits Optimal choice is not black and white and varies by location and use

Cheaper

Hydrogen is the cheapest option in some segments Getting from A to B with hydrogen will be the cheapest option in many road transport segments in this decade

Infrastructures complement each other

Two infrastructures are cheaper than one: hydrogen supply can reduce peak loads and thus reduce necessary grid upgrades

🕑 De-risking

Hedging bets with two pathways de-risks the most significant transition in the automotive industry's history

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In a systemic view, BEVs and FCEVs have comparable sun-to-wheel efficiencies: **Case Study in Germany**

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BEV charged using local PV panel; peak supplies renewable hydrogen for FCEV fuelling



- Easy storage and long-distance shipment of hydrogen from optimal regions
- Renewables can be used more effectively
- Increased total amount of energy available from same renewable installation
- Local hydrogen generation not subject to demand fluctuation or grid constraints, thus avoiding curtailment

1 TTW losses; 4% battery, 7% power electronics, 4% motor drive electronics, 4% gearbox; FCEV stack 39%; FCEV BoP 10%; FCEV additional recuperation -10%

Note: There are additional effects along the life cycle that can bring further energy balance benefits to FCEV

Assumptions: 11.2 kWh/100 km WLTP consumption at the wheel (Tesla Model 3 standard range); 20% curtailment losses forecasted for a steady-state German renewable electricity

Source: Expert interviews; Kim et al. (2020); Nedstack (2019); Lohse-Busch (2019); NREL; Büchi et al. (2005); Eberle & Helmolt (2012); Sun (2010); Besselink et al. (2010); Hydrogen Council Cost Roadmap

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Hydrogen will be available to store local renewable energy across seasons and to import renewable energy from optimal production locations.

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ONE PATHWAY IS NOT ENOUGH!

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FCEV Total Cost of Ownership Breakeven with BEV

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¹ Annual mileage taxi: Germany 56,000 km, includes stack replacement assumption for FCEV taxi

² Annual mileage private car: Japan 8,000 km, US 17,000 km

Key drivers for cost development

Fuel cell system

Steep learning rate from increased manufacturing volumes – costs may fall to <USD 80/kW (stack and BoP)

Fuel costs

Average hydrogen price at refuelling station dispenser expected to go from ~USD 10/kg today to ~USD 4.8/kg by 2030

Battery system

Decrease in battery cost per kWh (USD 144 to 77/kWh, already down from USD 1,160/kWh in 2010)

Grid and charger infrastructure

Technical improvements of chargers as well as production at scale are lowering the cost of chargers, while infrastructure costs are rising

Other components, e.g. tank, power electronics, also contribute to price decreases of either technology to a lesser degree

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We expect the on-demand HDT FCEV to become the cheapest option in terms of TCO by 2030.

It should achieve breakeven with battery-electric vehicles (BEVs) by around 2025, and with internal combustion engine (ICE) HDTs by 2028.



USD/h

We expect that both H₂ ICE vehicles and FCEVs should breakeven with conventional diesel trucks before 2028.

For the FCEV truck, around 20% of the TCO change result from declining fuel cell powertrain costs, and another 60% because of the lower hydrogen production cost.



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Cost per available seat kilometer

Hydrogen is a more competitive decarbonization alternative for "Short-Range" flights than synfuel as it outperforms synfuels in both costs and climate impact. Switching from kerosene to hydrogen implies a cost of about USD 100/t of CO_2 eq. If this additional cost were allocated entirely to the end consumer, it could increase the price of an airplane ticket by 30-35% in 2030.





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For the Long-Range flight segment synfuel is the most cost-competitive viable decarbonization option, as the required tank size would rule out hydrogen for distances of more than 10,000 km. While synfuel in the near future is still expensive, the costs of synfuel should drop significantly (by over 50% between 2020 and 2040), driven by the decreasing prices of hydrogen and CO₂.





1. CO2 cost growing from approx. 30 USD/t CO2e in 2020 to 50 USD/t CO2e in 2030, 200 USD/t CO2e in 2040 and 300 USD/t CO2e in 2050



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