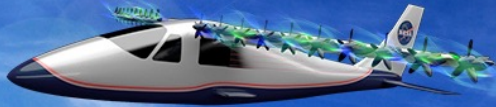


The Future of Flight



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Space Program for Inspiration



Main Asteroid Belt
MISSION: Dawn
Tech: Ion Engines



Mars
MISSION: Curiosity
Tech: EDL



Earth
Tech: Hyperloop



Space Program for Inspiration



Space Program for Inspiration



Climate Change at the Planetary
Scale

“Heavier-than-air flying
machines are impossible.”

Lord Kelvin, British Mathematician and
Physicist,
President of the British Royal Society, 1895



Where We Are Headed?

Utopian Science Fiction



Where We Are Headed?

Dystopian Science Fiction?





THE PROBLEM

CARBON FOOTPRINT OF
AVIATION IS ON THE RISE

BY 2050 AVIATION
WILL BE A PRIME
CONTRIBUTOR TO
CO2 OUTPUT

INNOVATION IS
NEEDED NOW TO
MEET CLIMATE
DIRECTIVES

\$872B

Commercial
Aviation Revenue in
2020

32%

Increase in CO2
Emissions from
Air travel over
last 5 years

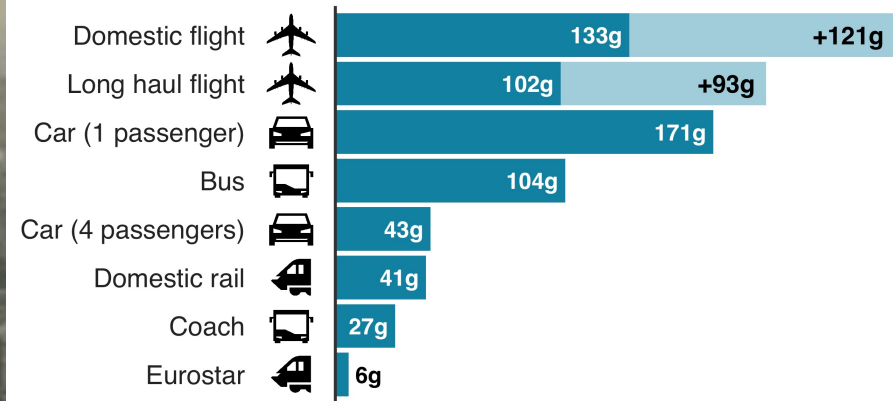
915 Mt CO₂

Major Contribution to
Climate Change with
secondary effects to
ozone layer

Emissions from different modes of transport

Emissions per passenger per km travelled

■ CO2 emissions ■ Secondary effects from high altitude, non-CO2 emissions



Note: Car refers to average diesel car

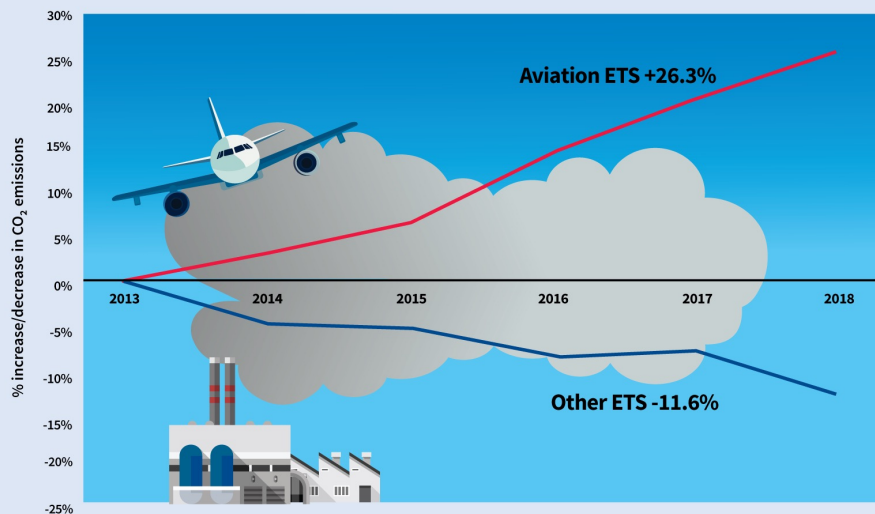
Source: BEIS/Defra Greenhouse Gas Conversion Factors 2019

BBC

THE PROBLEM

AVIATION INNOVATION IS NEEDED NOW FOR 2050

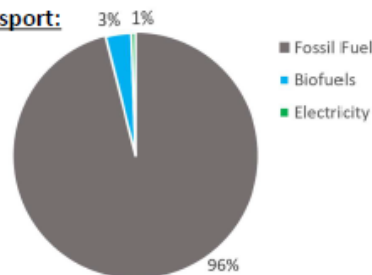
Aviation emissions growth since 2013 in the EU



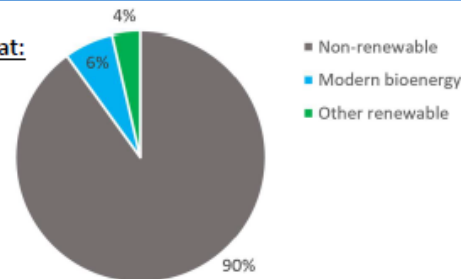
Note: For emissions that were not lodged on time, 2018 emissions have been set to 2017. For aviation, this assumption amounts to approximately 8% of the verified reported emissions.

Source: European Commission, 2019

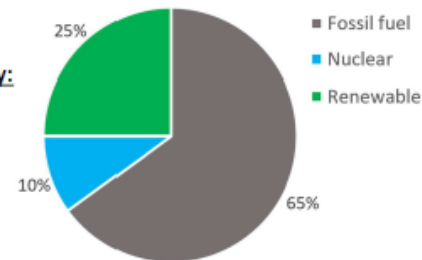
Transport:



Heat:



Electricity:



Data (end 2018): IEA, B

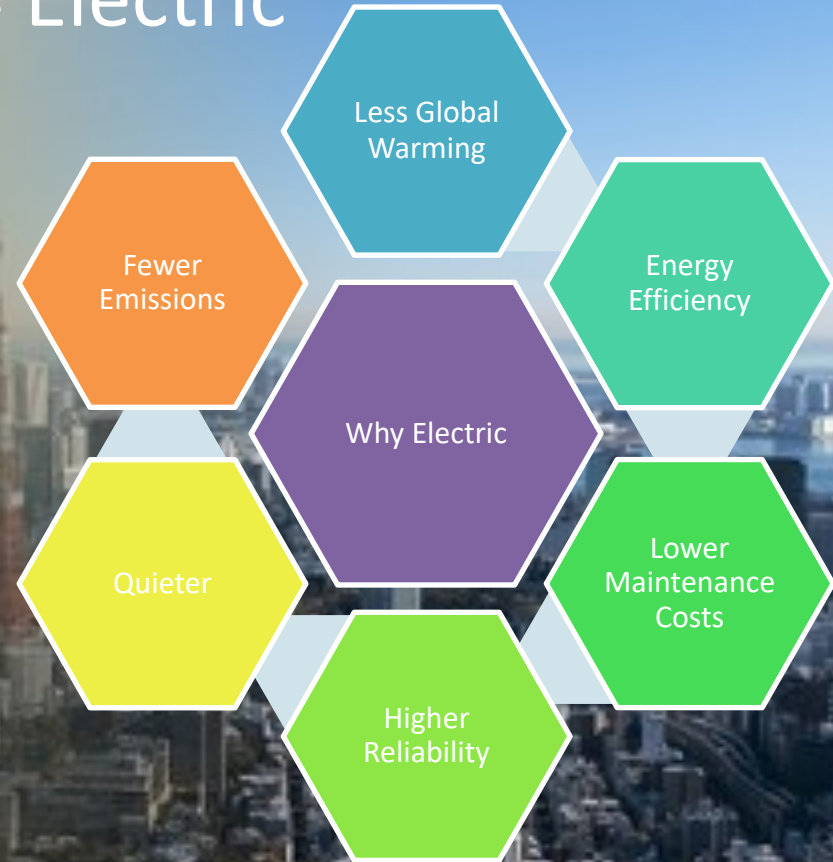
Sustainable = Electric

THE PROBLEM

BATTERIES ARE INCOMPATIBLE WITH
MOST AVIATION USE CASES

BATTERY AIRCRAFT LIMITED TO LESS
THAN 1 HR FLIGHT

BATTERIES DEGRADE AND HAVE
LARGE CARBON FOOTPRINT



Evolutionary Use Cases for Electric Flight



UAS
Drones



Emergency
Response



General
Aviation

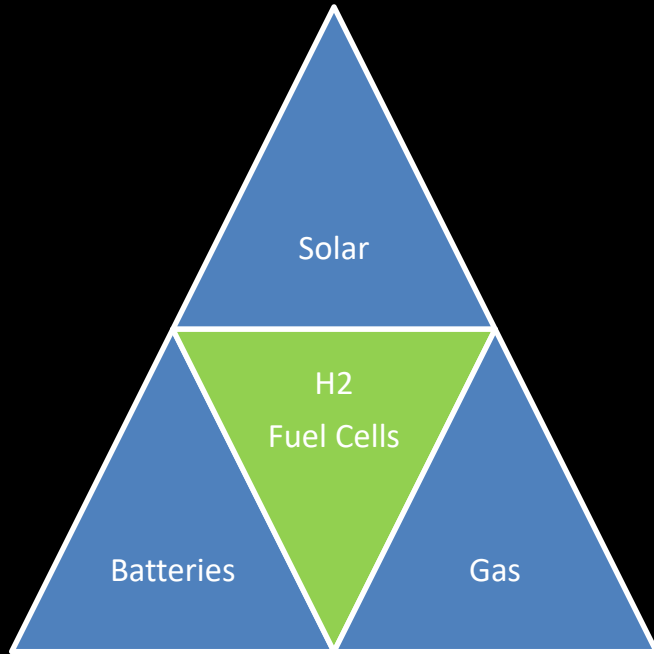


Air Taxis

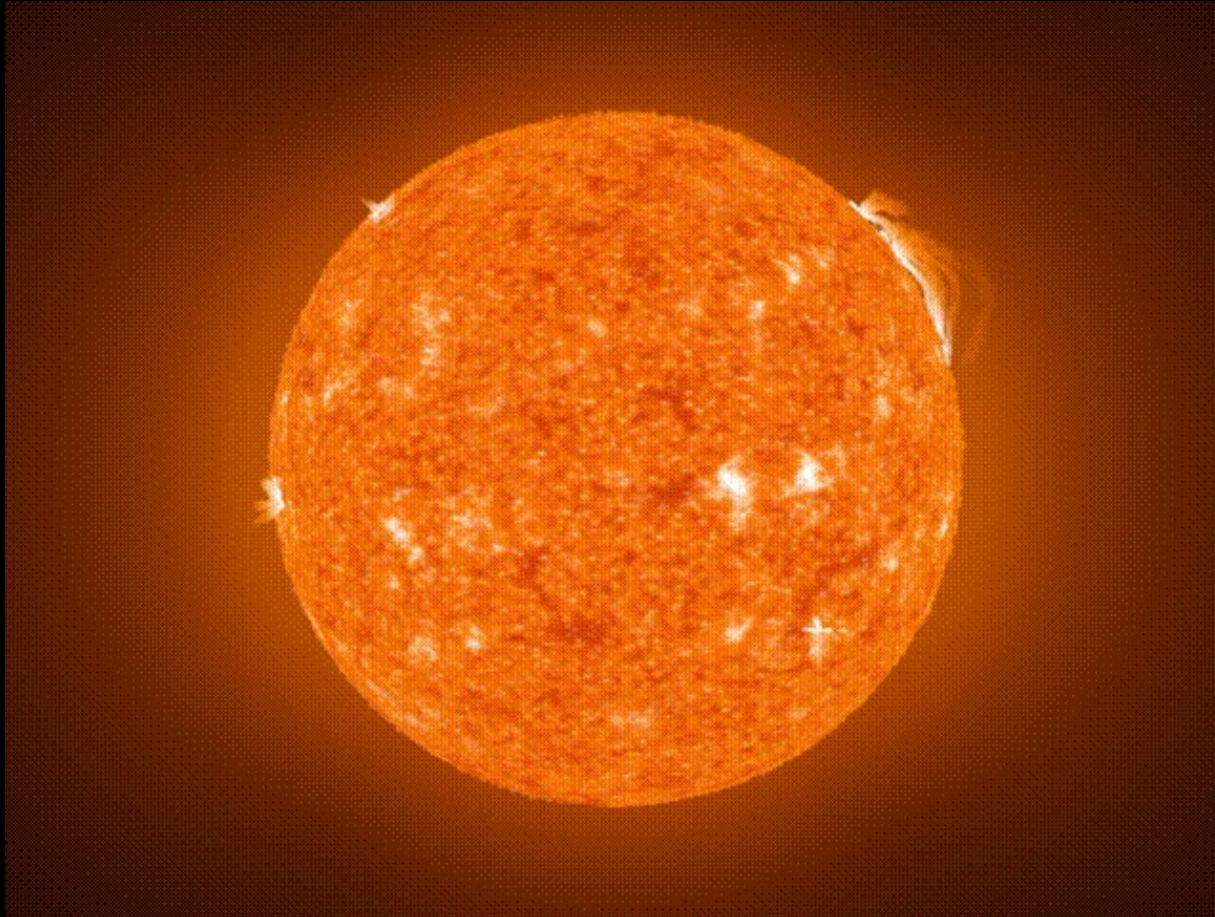


Cargo and
Regional
Transport

Green Electricity to Support Energy Storage



Most Abundant Element in the Universe



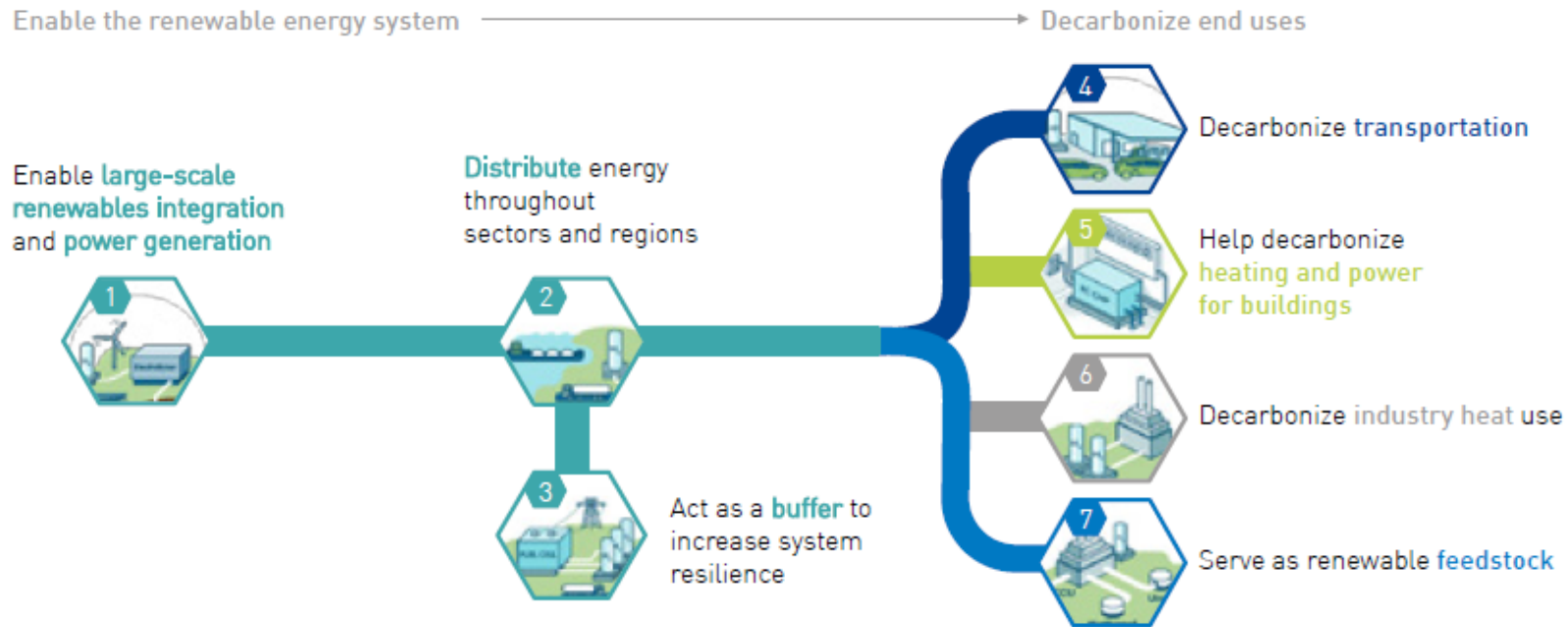
Electrolysis of Water To Make Hydrogen



Hydrogen means Water Genesis in Greek

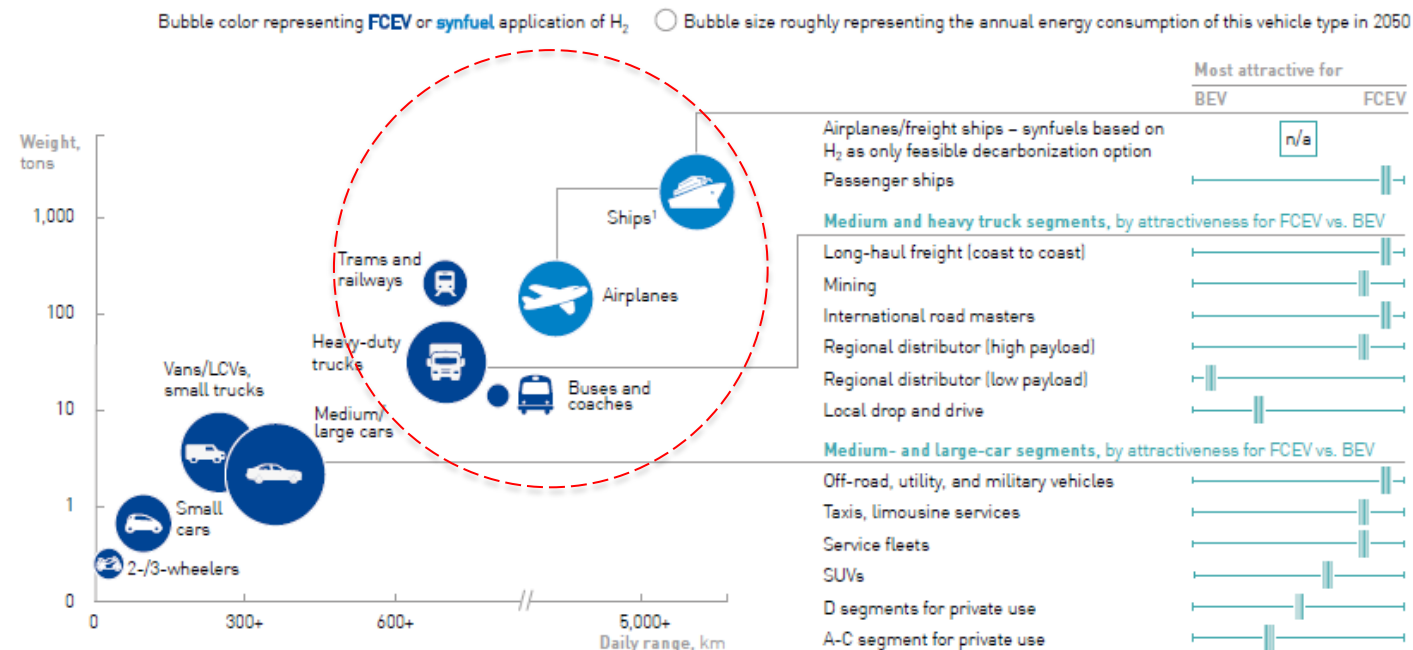
EU INVESTMENT IN HYDROGEN AS ENERGY ENABLER

EXHIBIT 4: HYDROGEN AS ENABLER OF THE ENERGY TRANSITION IN EUROPE



EU INVESTMENT IN HYDROGEN AS ENERGY ENABLER

EXHIBIT 10: COMPARISON OF RANGE, PAYLOAD, AND PREFERRED TECHNOLOGY



¹ H₂-based fuels or fuel cells

THE HYDROGEN FUEL CELL ECONOMY



Aviation Auxiliary Power Unit (APU)

- Jet aircraft APU
- Global Hawk APU



UAS

- Cargo drone or surveillance drone electric propulsion
- Range extension for all UAS



Marine

- Electric Propulsion
- Diesel generator replacement
- Water supply



Automotive

- Buses
- SUVs
- Trucks



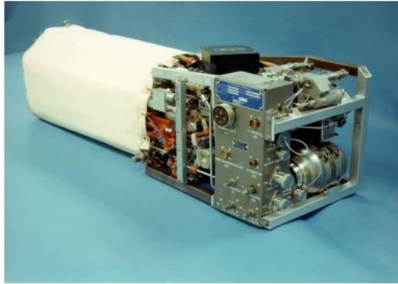
Space/ Hyperloop

- Passenger pod power
- Pod side propulsion
- Satellite Power
- Human Space Exploration

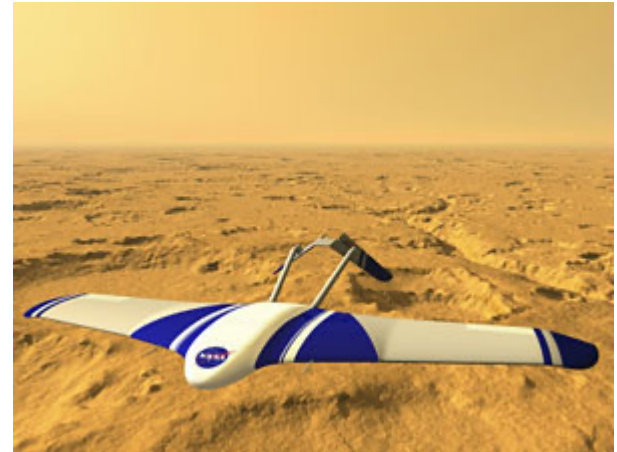
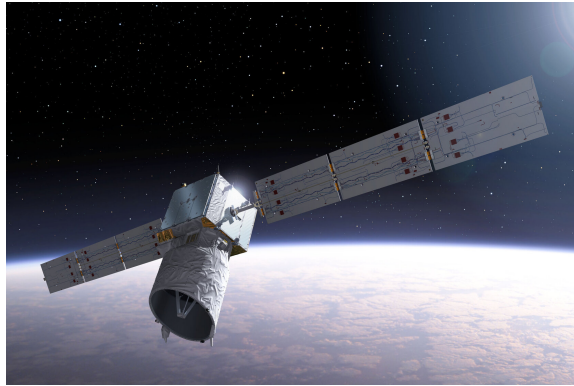


Hydrogen Fuel Cells In Space Program

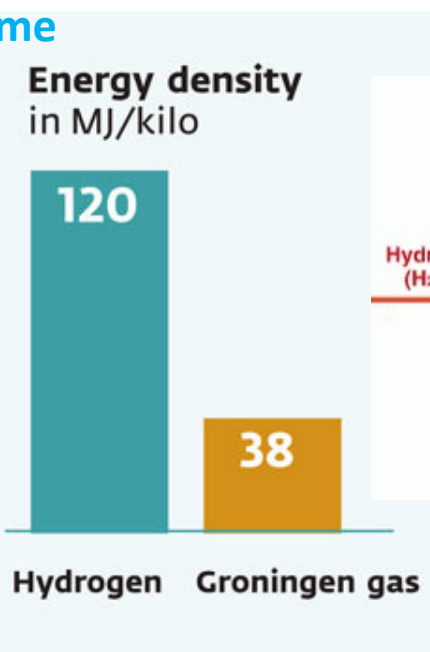
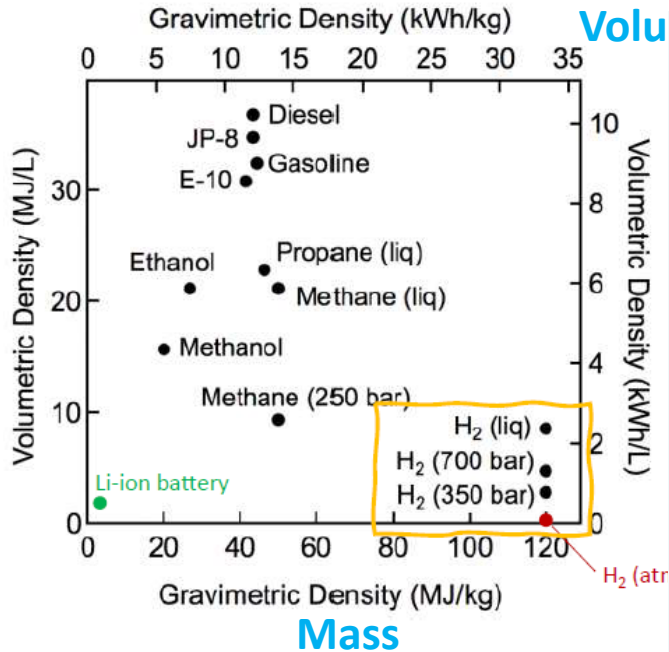
Fuel cells for NASA space programme



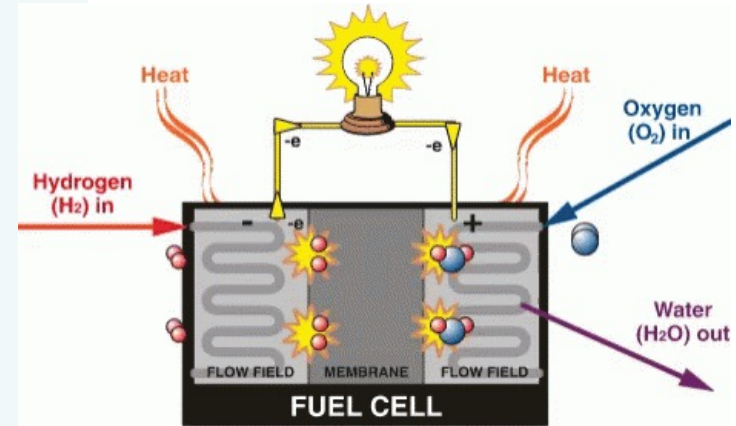
Nasa Space Shuttle Orbiter fuel cell. One of three fuel cells aboard the Space Shuttle. These fuel cells provide all of the electricity as well as drinking water when Space Shuttle is in flight. It produces 12 kilowatts electricity and occupies 154 litres (Source: NASA).



Making Electricity from Hydrogen: Opportunity and Challenges



Electrical Efficiency



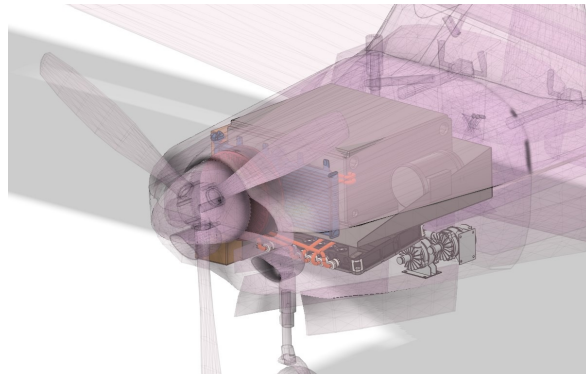
Water Exhaust

THE FLIGHT PLAN TO EMISSION FREE AVIATION:

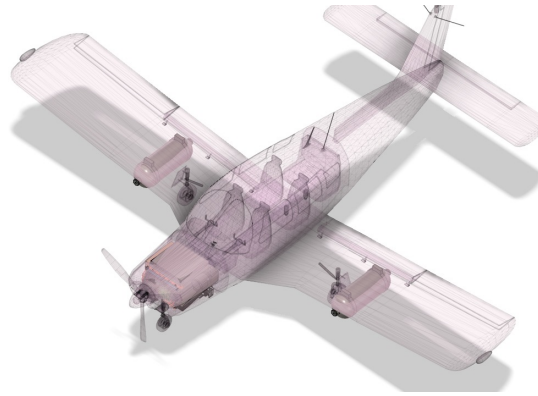
HYDROGEN FUEL CELL
POWERPLANT FOR AVIATION

OUR FLIGHT PLAN

- ✓ Obtain Government Customer and Funding
- ✓ Design Aviation Specific Modular Hydrogen Fuel Cell Powerplant (up to 1 MW)
- ✓ Conduct Test Flights
- ❑ Humanitarian Aid Disaster Relief Operations
- ❑ Powerplant Production and Sales to OEMs



HYDROPLANE: PROTIUM AIRCRAFT



Range: 1000 km

Cruising speed: 210 kph

Aircraft Type: Single Engine Land

Mission: HADR / Air Taxi

Payload: 350 kg

Pilot: Commercial SEL

Power System: H₂ Fuel Cell Electric Propulsion

EMISSION
FREE

REGIONAL
RANGE

RAPID CERTIFICATION

Platform	Urban	Rural	Regional
HYDROPLANE	✓	✓	✓
Jet	✗	✗	✓
eVTOL	✓	✗	✗

Prototype 2021

Demonstrator 2022

Production 2023



TRL3
POC



TRL4
Lab Demo



TRL5
Iron Bird



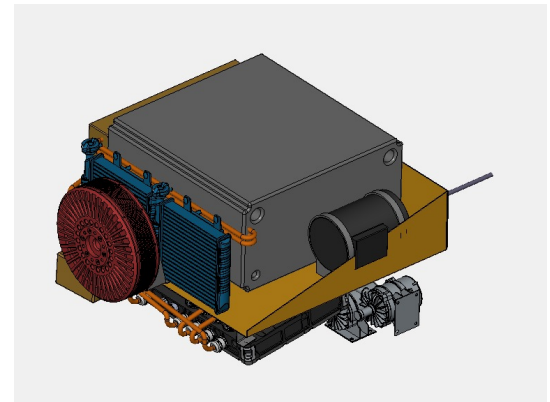
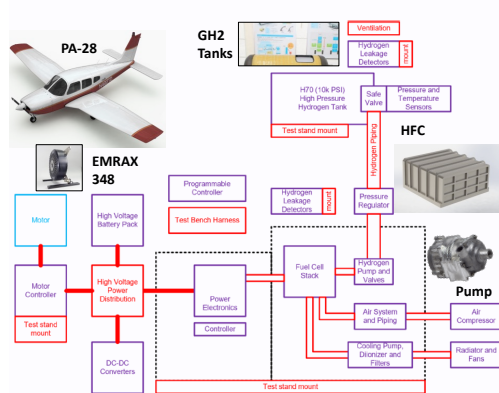
TRL6
Flight



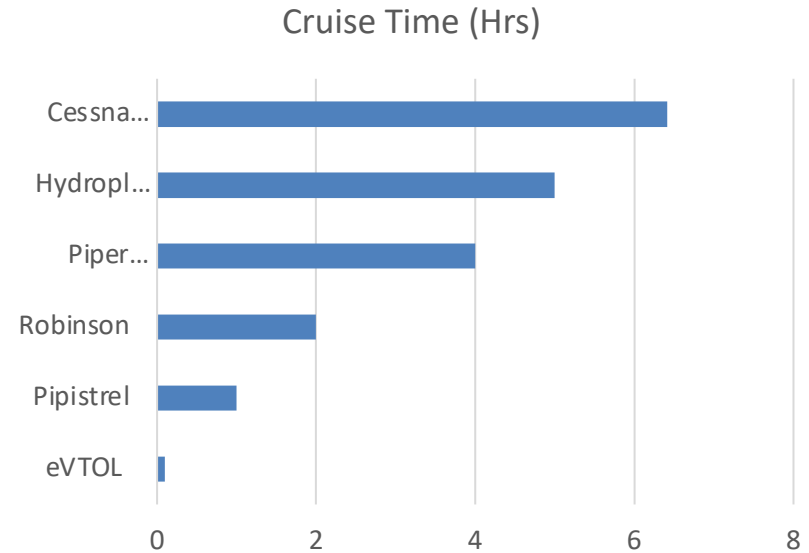
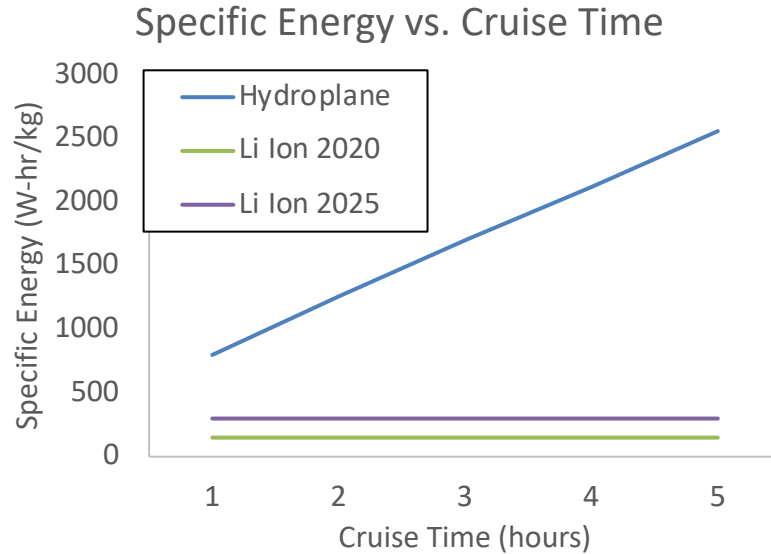
TRL8
Cert



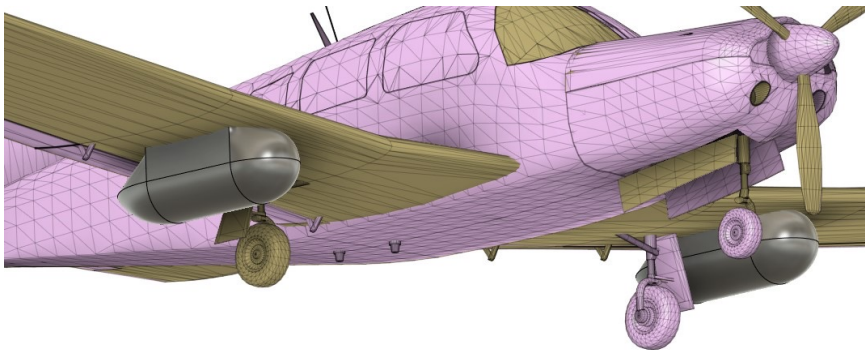
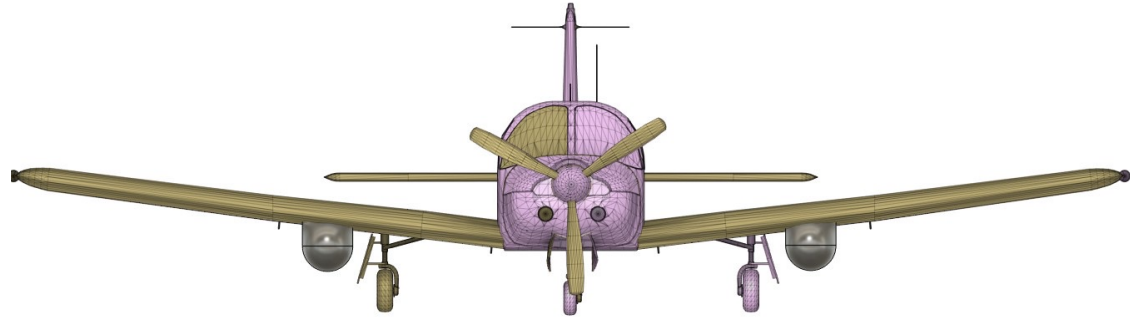
TRL9
Operational



ELECTIC AIRCRAFT WITH AVGAS RANGE



CURRENT GOAL: Hydrogen Powered Aircraft for Humanitarian Aid and Transport



NEXT GOAL: Hydrogen Powered Jet, Hydrogen Container Ships



FUTURE GOAL: Fuel Cells for Human Mars Base



What Comes Next

Suborbital Flight: Hydrogen Powered



Suborbital Flight: Not Hydrogen Powered

Specifications "SpaceShipTwo"

- **Made of:** light, efficient, carbon sandwich panels with honeycomb core
- **Cost:** \$200,000
- 6 Passengers
- 2 Pilots
- 3.5 Hr Flight Time
- 12 min Zero Gravity experience

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Boom



Low Earth Orbit: Can be Hydrogen Po



Interplanetary Cruise



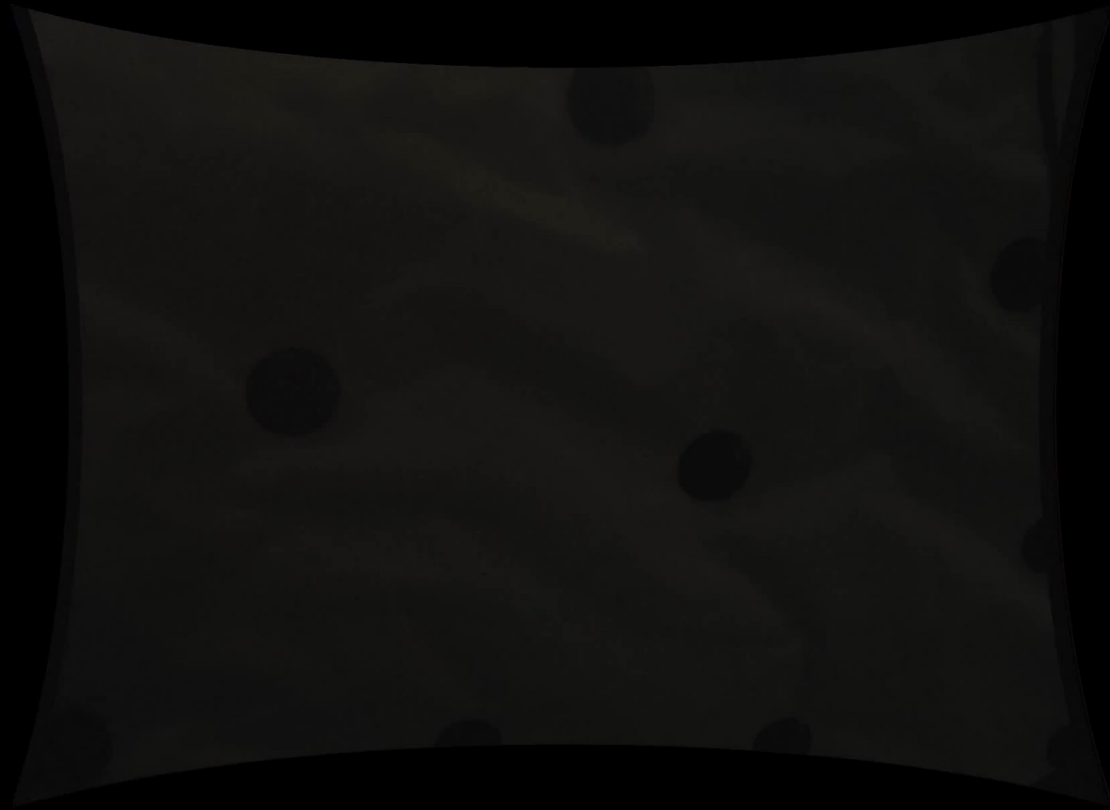
Space Flight To and On Other Planets

Flight on Mars

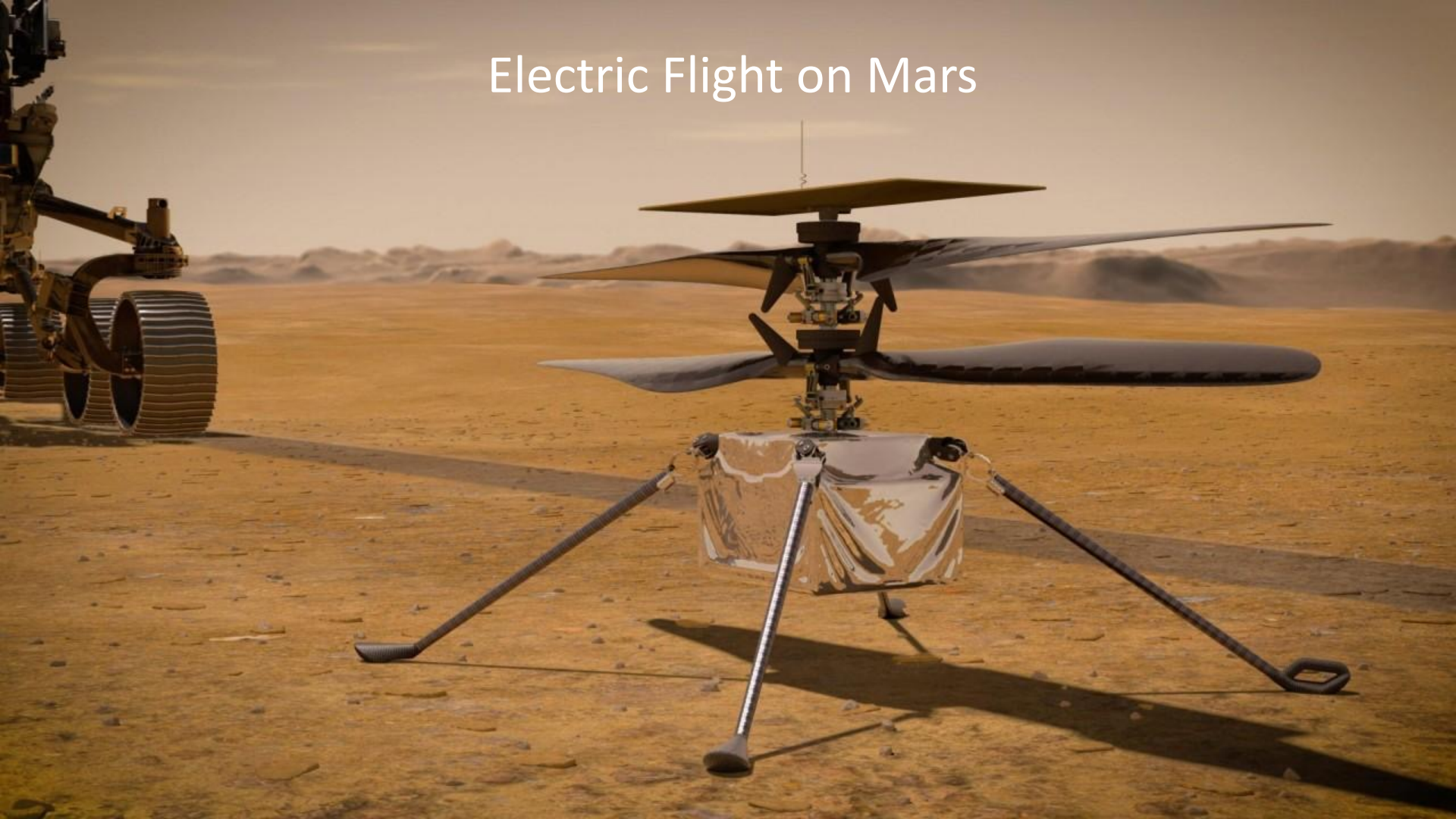
Mars Science Laboratory



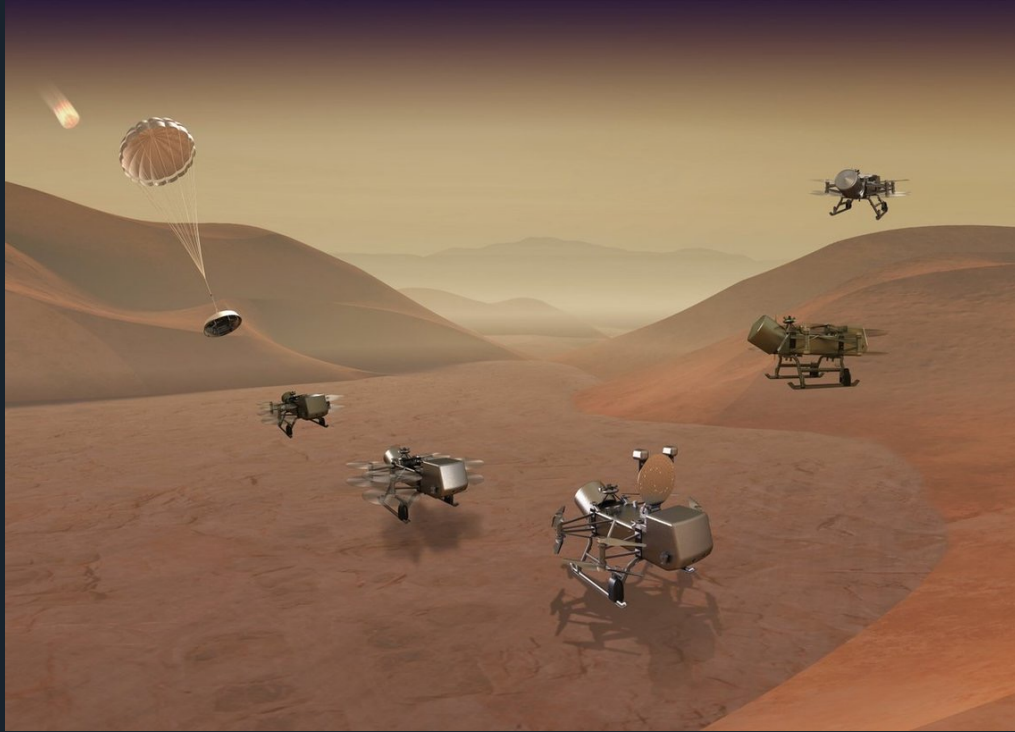
Actual Flight on Mars



Electric Flight on Mars



Electric Flight on Titan



Return to the Moon





Green Technologies to Connect the World

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