



Decarbonizing the transport sector, an overview of the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities of different technologies.



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Introduction

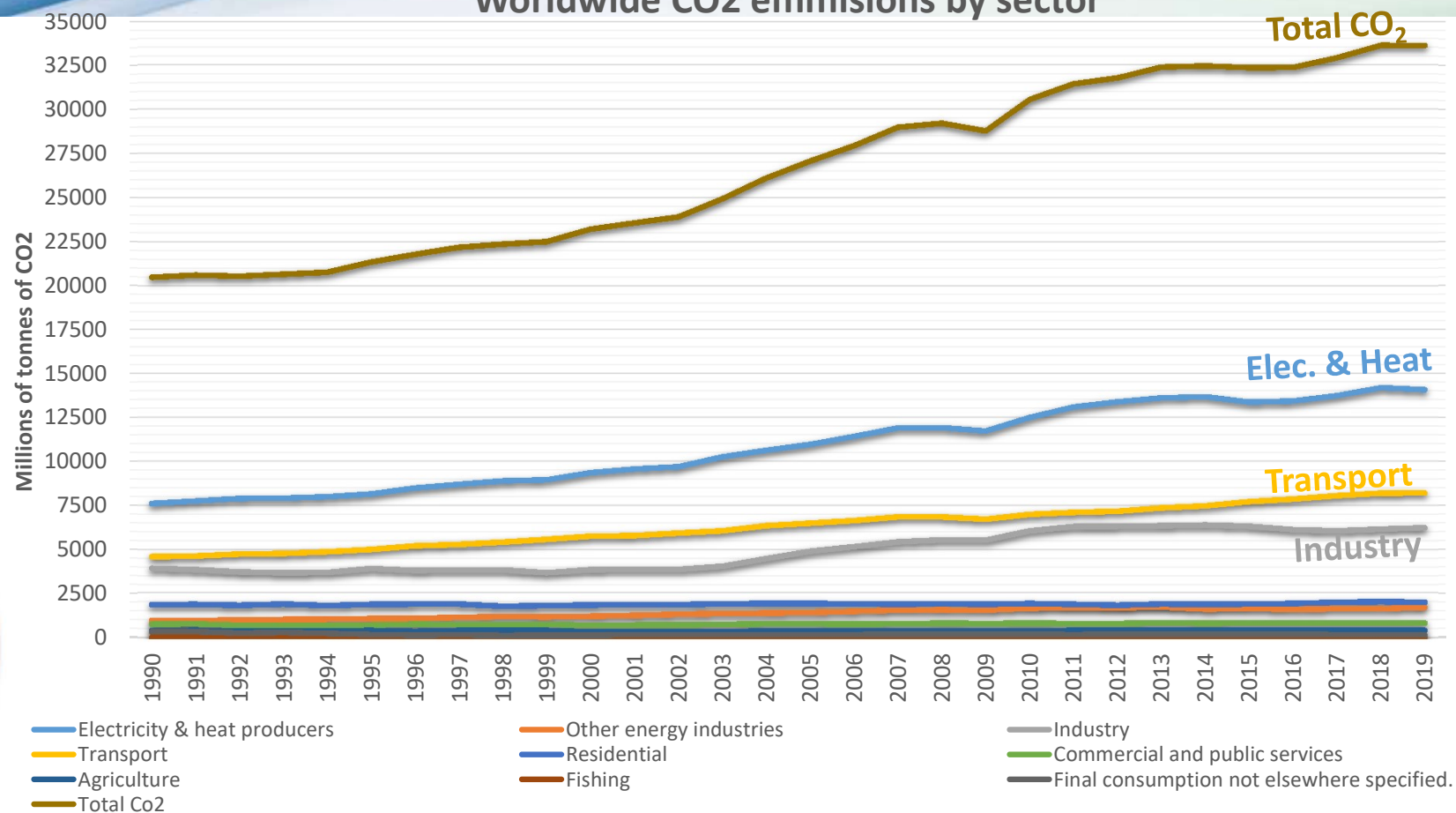
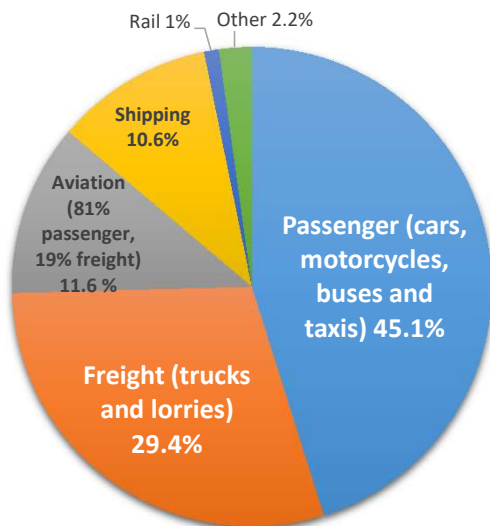
Worldwide CO2 emmissions by sector

Introduction

Global warming

- Rising temperatures
- Greenhouse Gases
- Transport Sector= High influence

Global CO₂ transport emissions (2018)



Data of CO₂ by sector from [IEA1] and data of transport emissions 2018 from [OWD1]

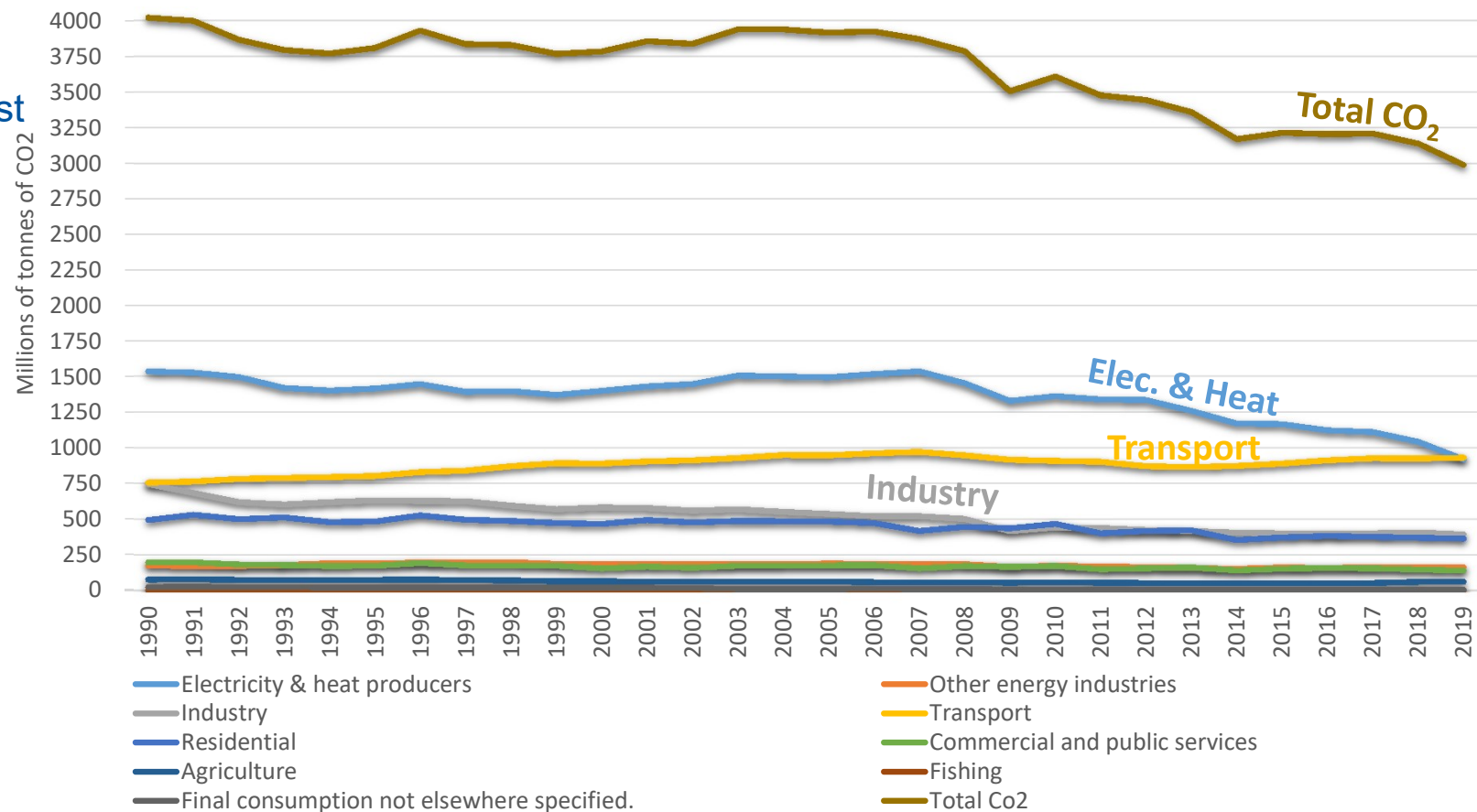
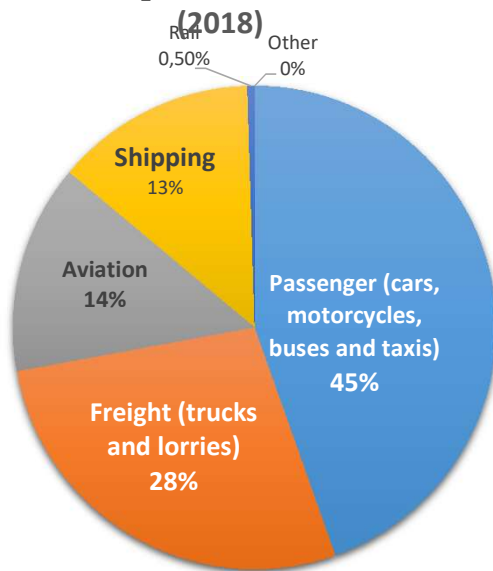
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EU-28 CO₂ emissions by sector

EU-28 CO₂ emissions

- Significant progress have been achieved during the last decade.
- Transport sector emissions continue to increase.

EU-28 CO₂ transport emissions



Data of CO₂ by sector from [IEA1] and data of transport emissions 2018 from [EEA1]

The alternative solutions

Considering:

Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV)



Image from [TSL1]

- Electricity source.
- Battery raw materials
- Range/mass ratio
- Price

Plug-in Hybrid Vehicles (PHEV)



Image from [CRP1]

- Electricity source
- Fossil fuels still an issue
- Transition technology

Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles (FCEV)



Image from [TOY1]

- Hydrogen source
- Fuel cell and battery raw materials
- Overall energy efficiency
- Price & adoption.

Synthetic Fuels (E-fuel)



Image from [CRP2]

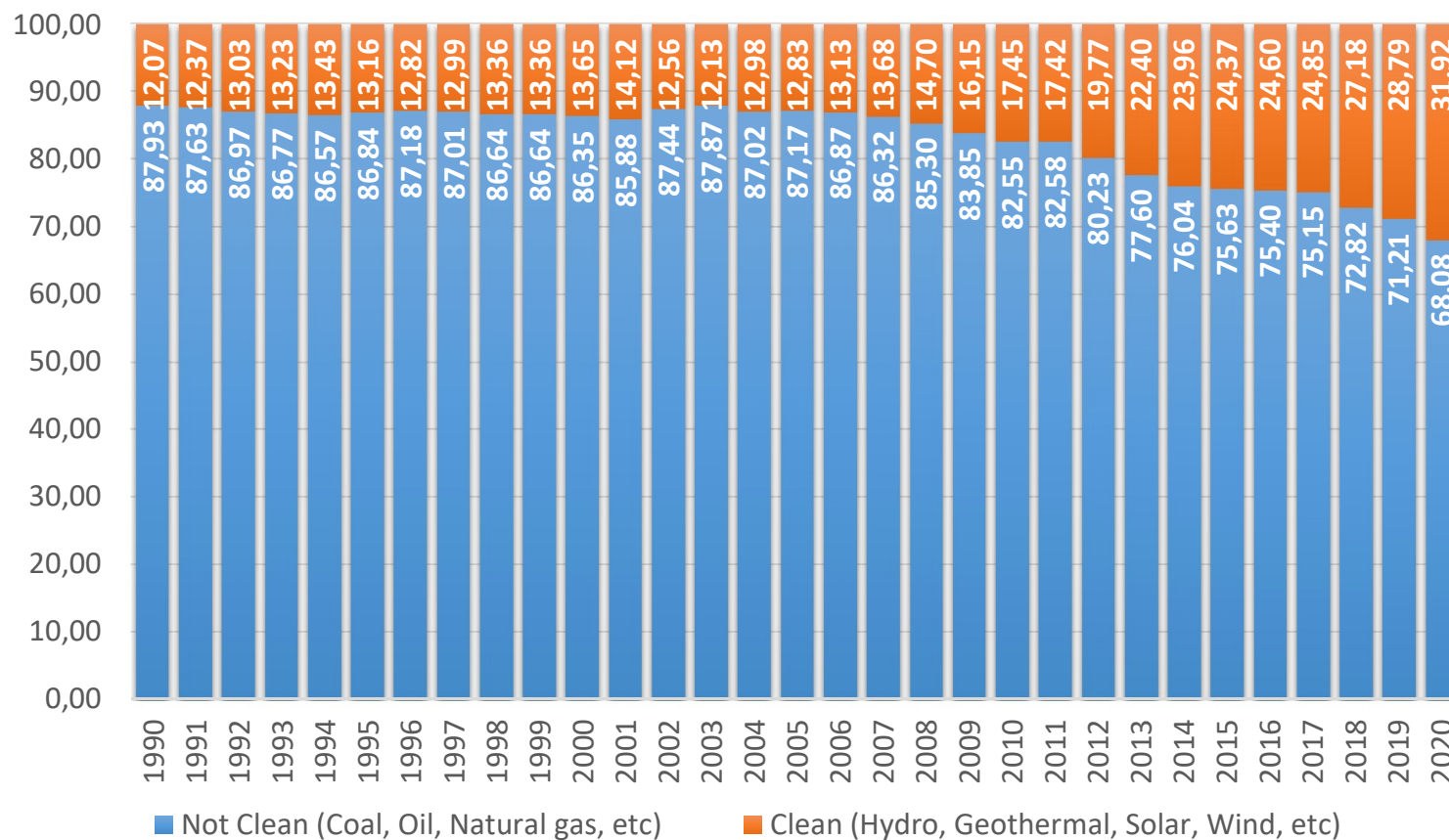
- Overall energy efficiency
- Cost
- Electricity and raw materials source.

Battery Electric Vehicles & Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles

EU-28 Clean electricity generation

BEVs & PHEVs

-  **ZERO greenhouse gas emissions***
-  Mass adoption.
-  Growing infrastructure.
-  Raw materials
-  Price
-  Range vs. Mass ratio.



* When the electricity comes from 100% renewable sources & only electric driving is used (PHEVs)

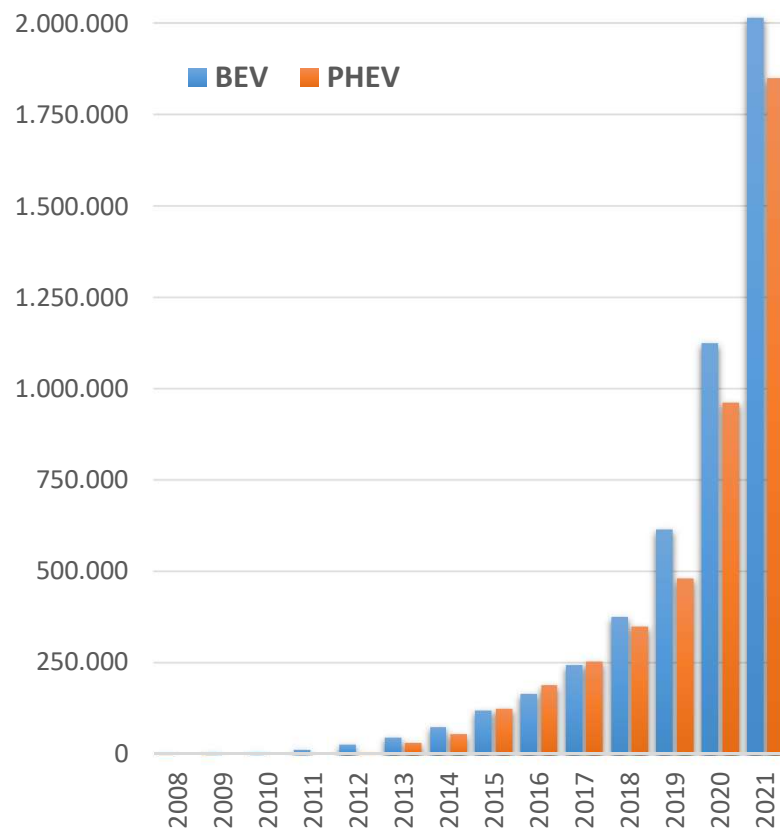
Data of electricity generation from [IEA1]

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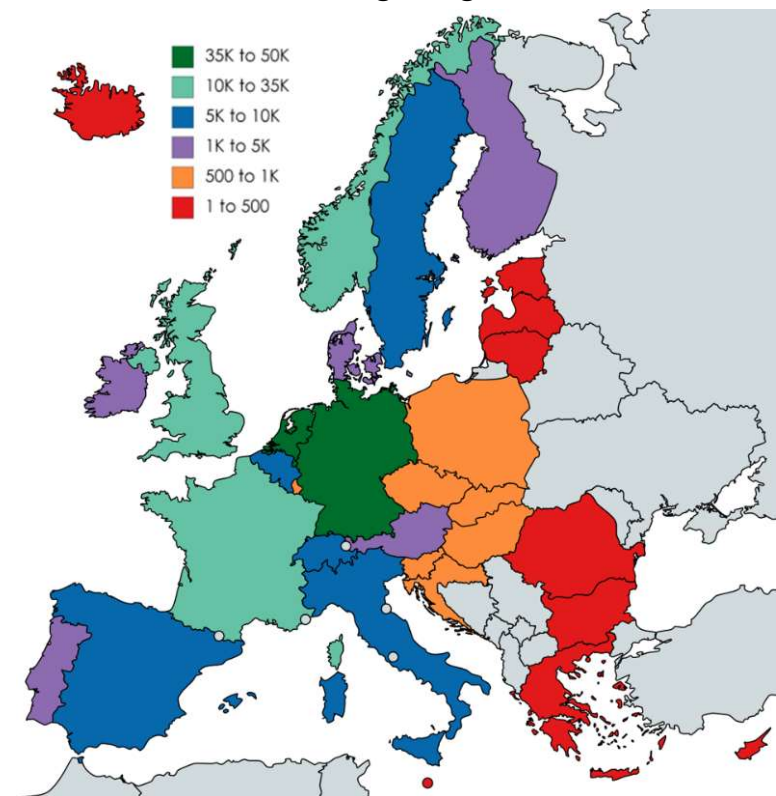
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Total passenger cars fleet



Distribution of amount of charging stations in the EU at the beginning of 2020



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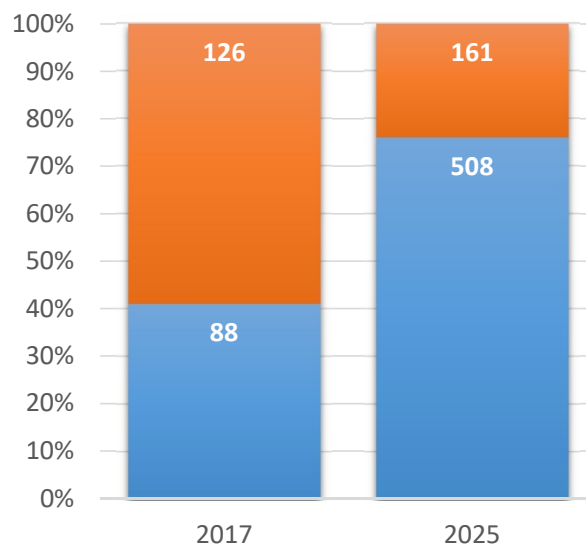
Data for passengers car fleet & charging stations from [EAFO]

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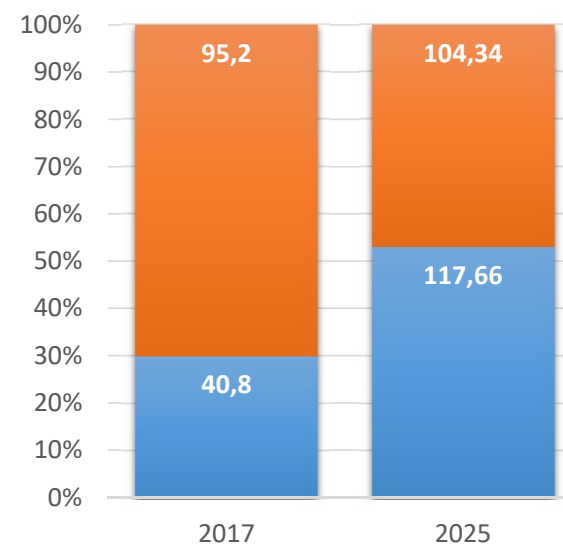
Lithium Demand (Kt)



■ For battery production ■ For other purposes

- **Current capacity + reserves does not cover predicted demand for 2030.**
- Prices of the metal will increase as scarcity becomes more apparent.

Cobalt Demand (Kt)



■ For other purposes ■ For battery production

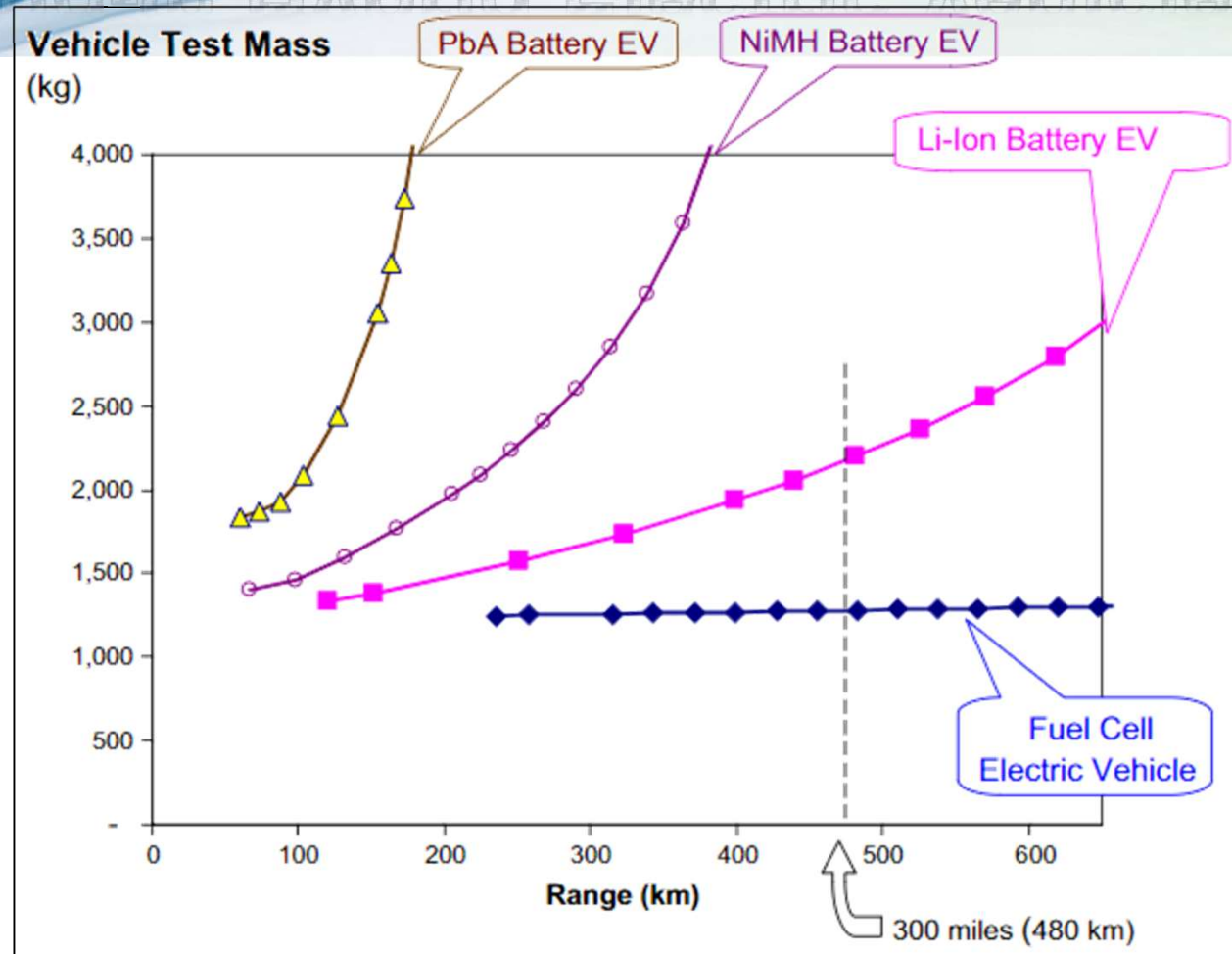
- ~70% of extraction is located in the DRC
- ~60% of refinement facilities are in China
- Extraction occurs as by-product of copper or nickel
- Artisanal and unregulated mining in DRC
- Expected demand for 2030 on parity with reserves.

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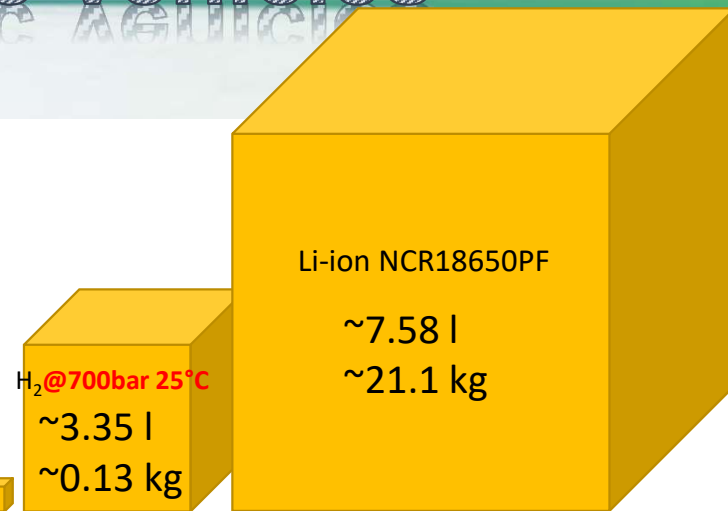
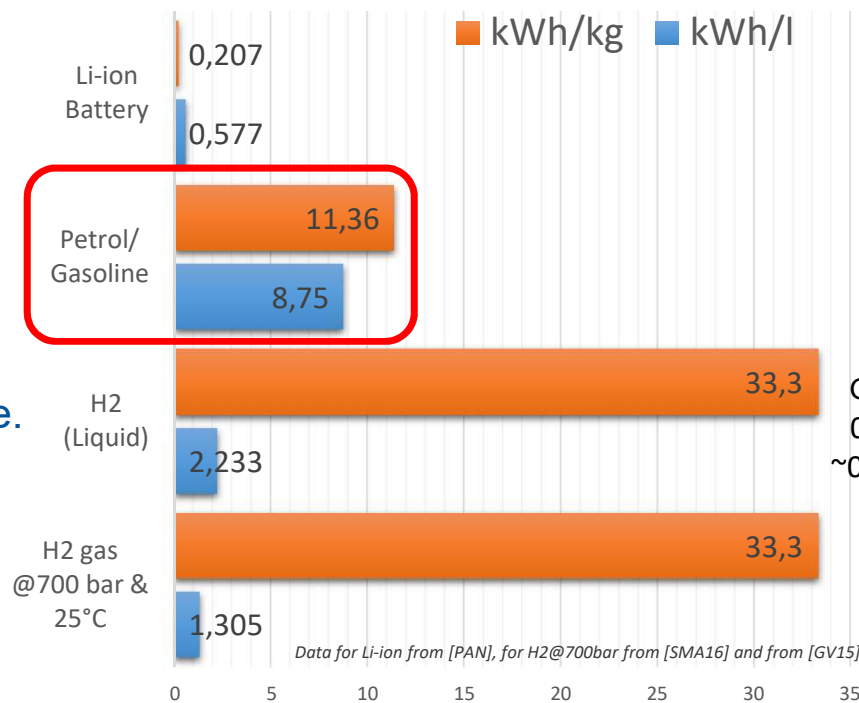
Image from [Tho14]

Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles

Specific Energy and Energy density

FCEVs

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- The efficiency problem
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- Humble adoption from the general public.
- (Slow) Growing infrastructure.
- Raw materials & Price

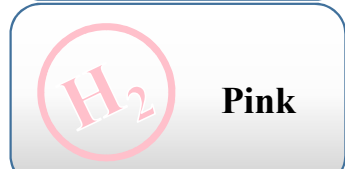


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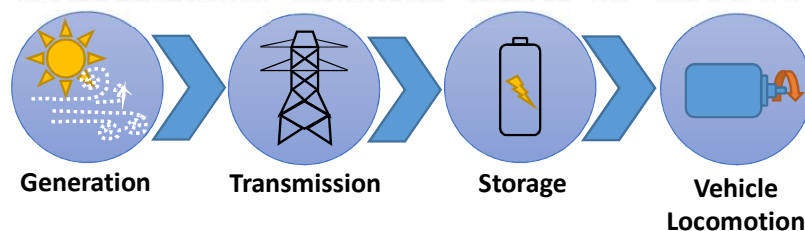
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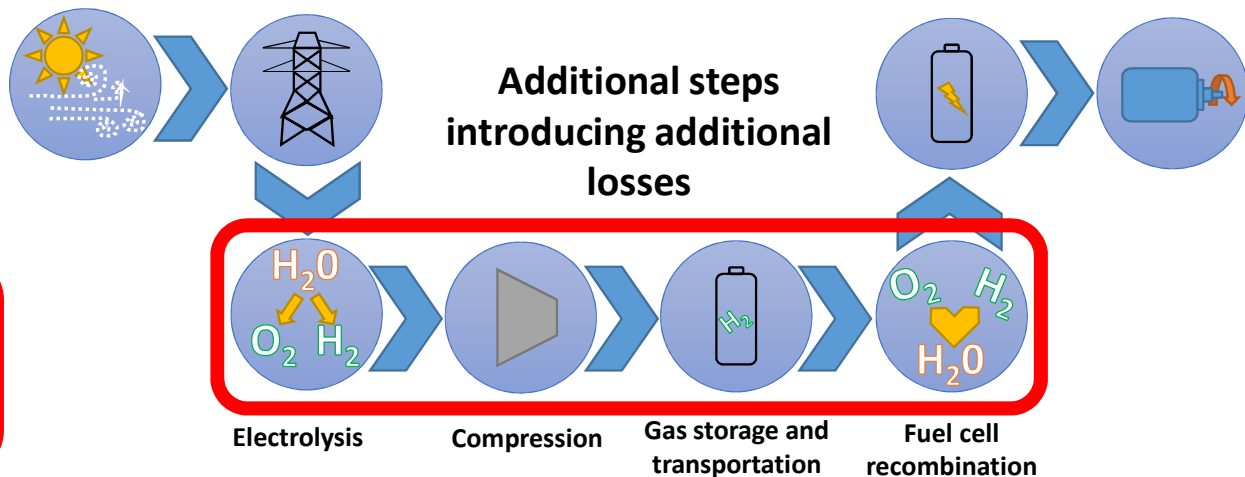
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Energy path for a BEV



Energy path for a FCEV



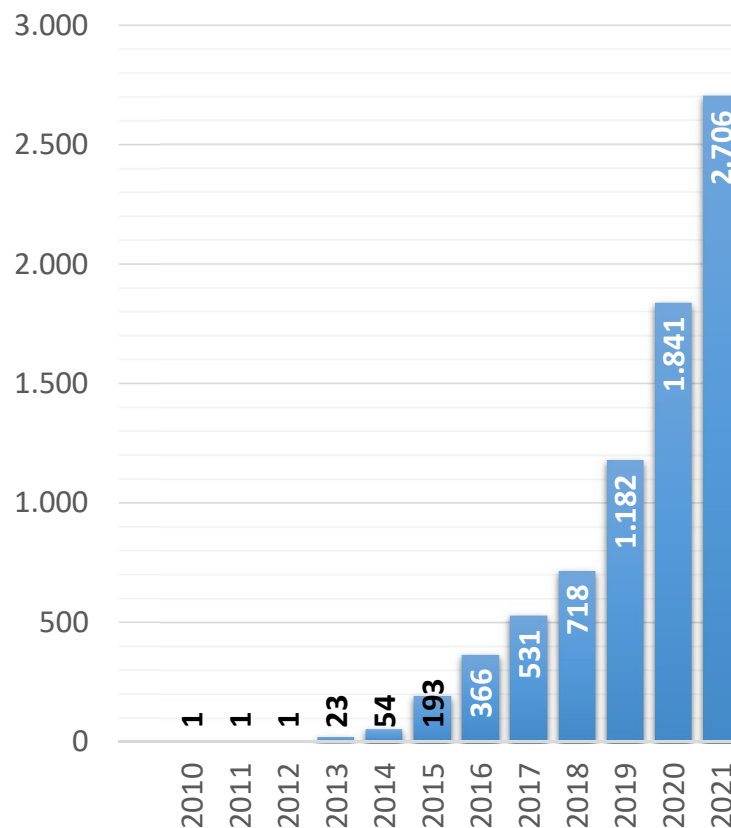
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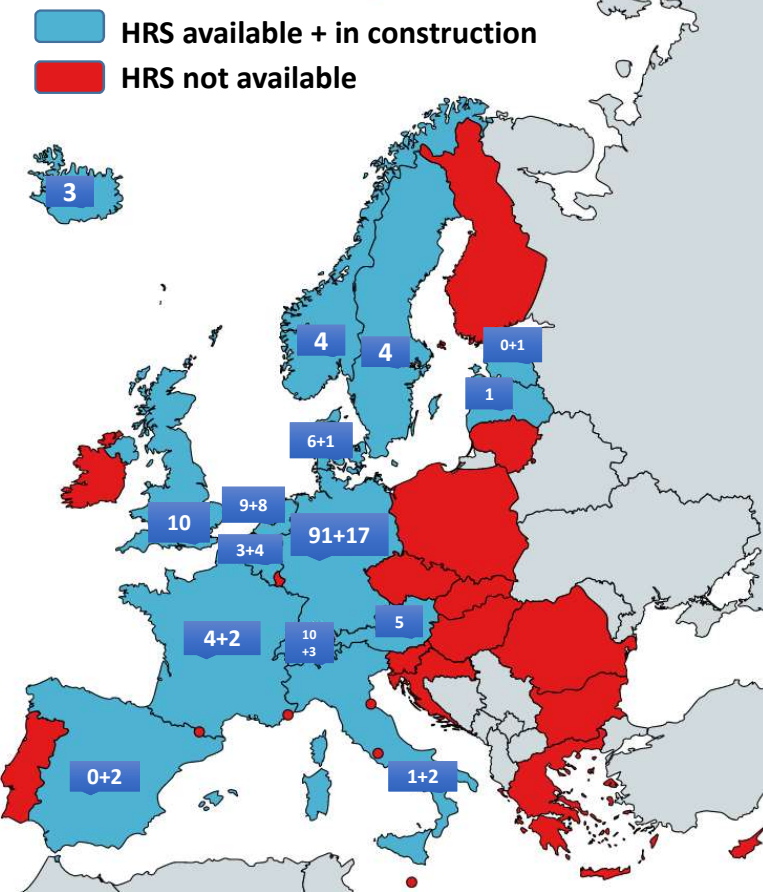
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EU-28 Total passenger cars fleet



Distribution of H2 refuelling stations in the EU (2022)

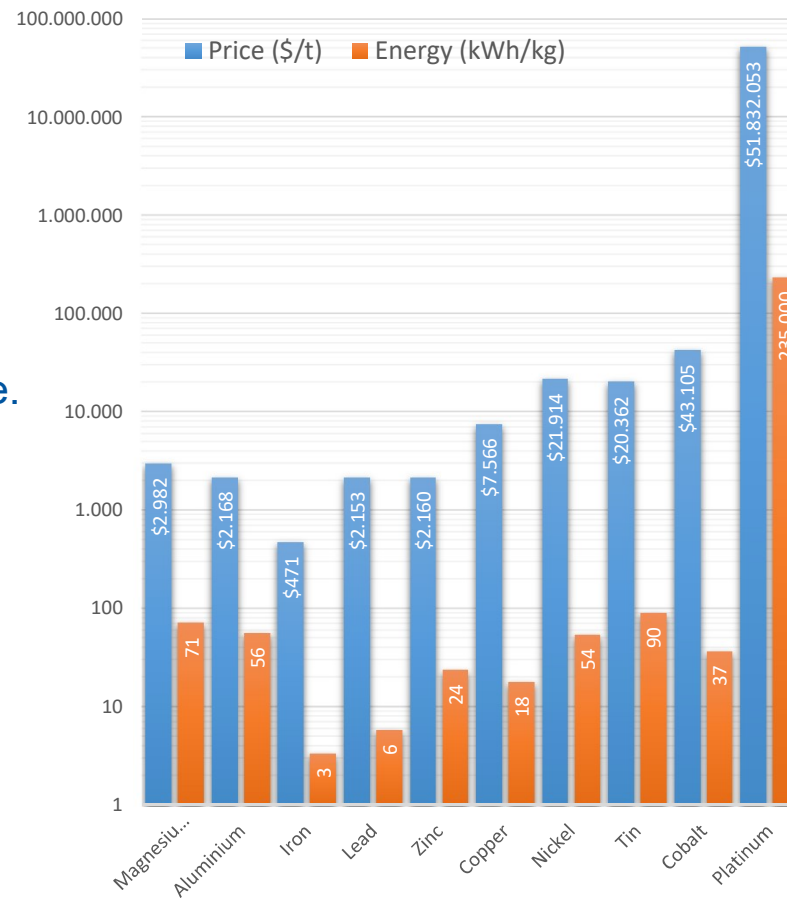


Data for passengers car fleet vehicles from [EAFO] & charging stations from [H2I]

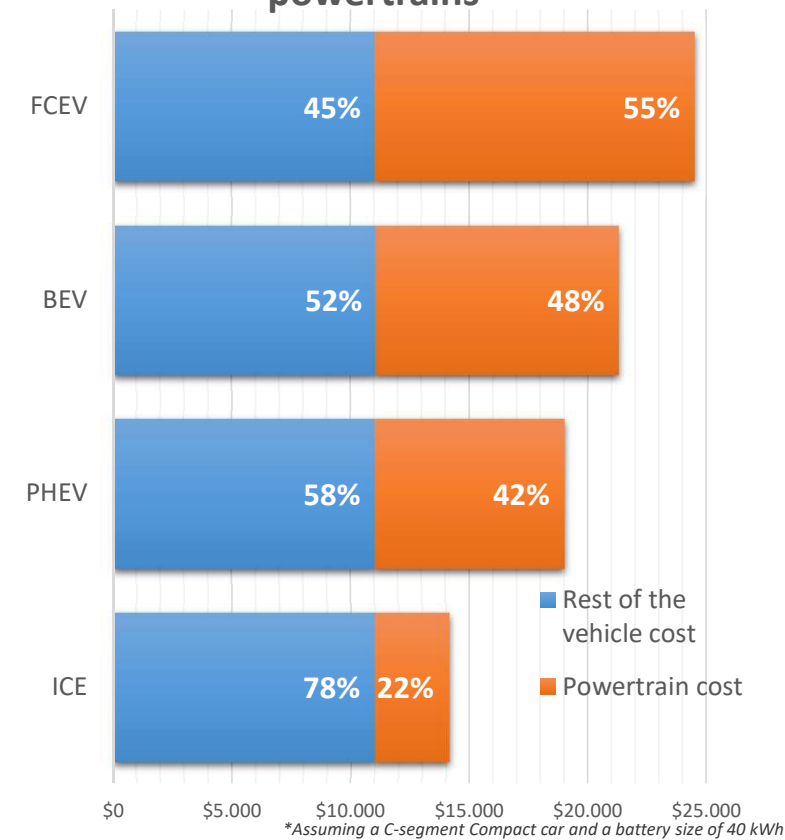
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Energy consumption and price of different metals per tonne



Share of the cost of different powertrains*



Data of metals from [AFK12] & for powertrains from [MCK19]

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Synthetic Fuels (E-fuel)

E-fuels

- It gives continuity to state-of-the-art fossil-fuel-based technology.
- Current technology allows to manufacture E-fuels for all main mobility sectors
- Hydrogenated vegetable oils, Biodiesel, RME, methanol mixes are already in use in many regions.
- Efficiency and complexity of the processes go far beyond that of the case of H_2 → lowest energy efficiency.



Image from [BUG]



Image from [LUFT]

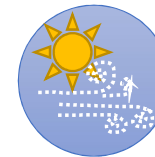
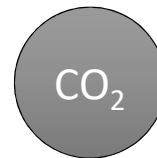


Image from [ENV]



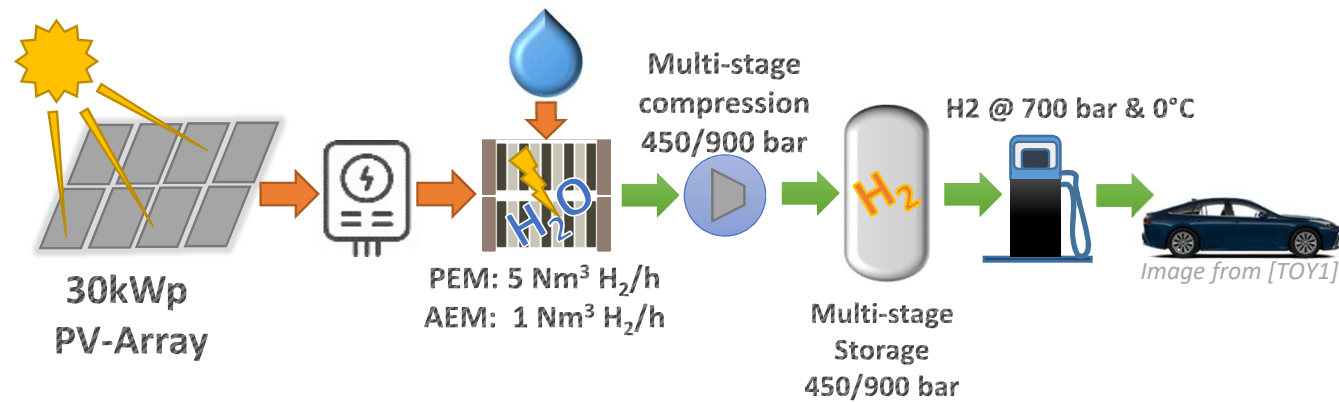
Image from [FARM]



Image from [MAN]

Hydrogen Refueling Station @ IZES

- At IZES we join the Hydrogen-based energy revolution with the installation of our own HRS.
- Green Hydrogen will be produced using solar energy coming from a recently installed PV array.
- The HRS is equipped with a PEM electrolyser and a AEM electrolyser.
- A Toyota Mirai has also been integrated to the fleet of the institute.



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Hydrogen Refueling Station @ IZES

- The HRS is already in place next to the main building of the institute.
- Operation is expected to begin soon during this 2022.
- Future research aims to evaluate lifetime and degradation of the stacks, compare efficiencies of both devices and create a prediction model for future plants of similar layout.



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Conclusions

- ❖ None of the technologies offers a complete solution.
- ❖ The current state of affairs should be taken more like a collaboration instead of a technological competition.
- ❖ The decarbonisation of the transport sector requires faster deployment of renewable electricity generation plants and it goes hand in hand with the availability of clean electricity.

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