

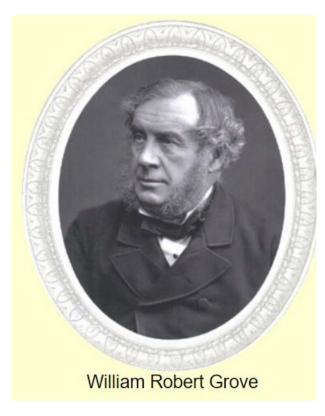
FROM GEMINI SPACECRAFT TO TOYOTA MIRAI

- PROGRESS AND FUTURE OF PEM FUEL CELLS

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THE BEGINNING : ~ 1850S



Fuel Cell OriginsImage: Fig. 6.Fig. 6.Image: Fig. 7.<td colspan="2

William Grove's drawing of an experimental "gas battery" from an 1843 letter

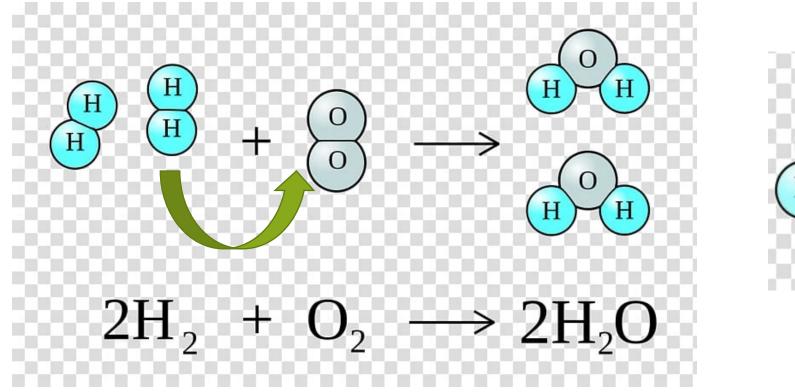
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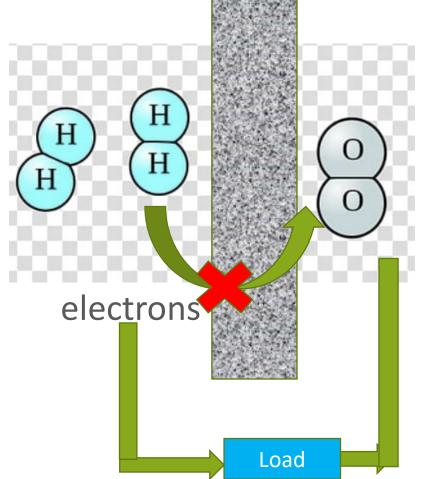
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FUNDAMENTALS







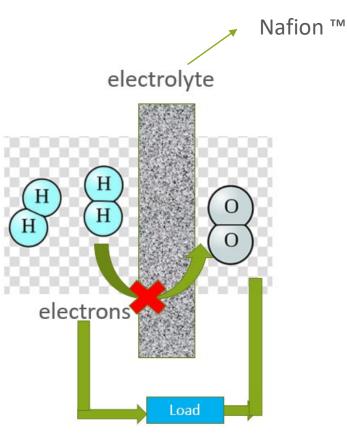


GEMINI SPACECRAFT : ~ 1960S

1962 January 23 - .

• Power sources for the Gemini spacecraft. - . Nation: USA. Spacecraft: Gemini, Gemini Fuel Cell.

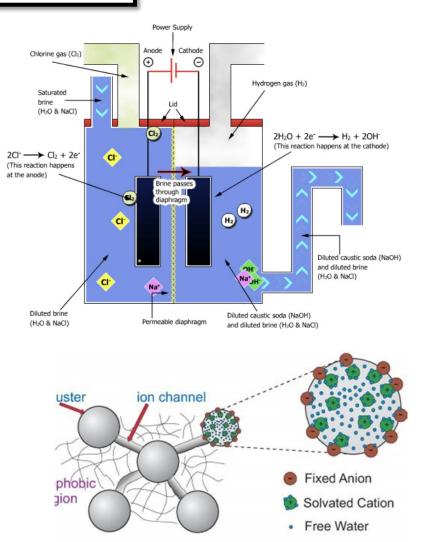
Manned Spacecraft Center completed an analysis of possible power sources for the Gemini spacecraft. Major competitors were fuel cells and solar cells. Although any system selected would require much design, development, and testing effort, the fuel cell designed by General Electric Company, West Lynn, Massachusetts, appeared to offer decided advantages in simplicity, weight, and compatibility with Gemini requirements over solar cells or other fuel cells. A basic feature of the General Electric design, and the source of its advantages over its competitors, was the use of ion-exchange membranes rather than gas-diffusion electrodes. On March 20, 1962, McDonnell let a \$9 million subcontract to General Electric to design and develop fuel cells for the Gemini spacecraft.



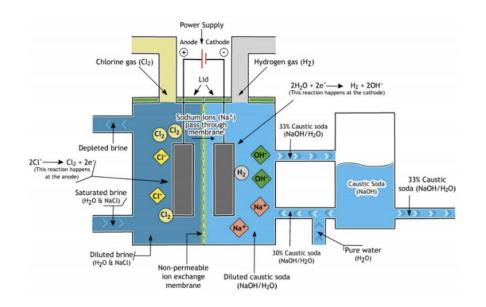
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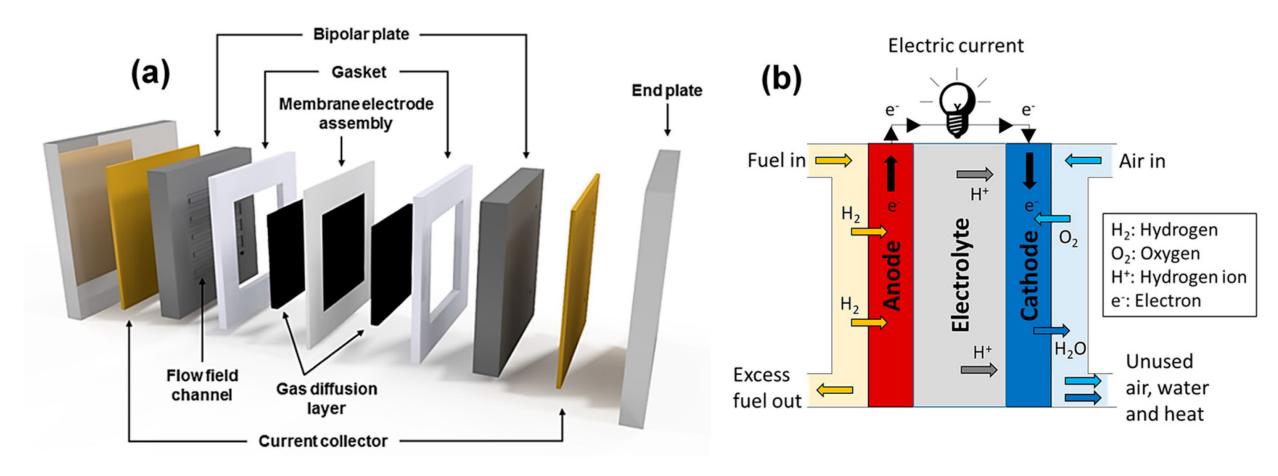


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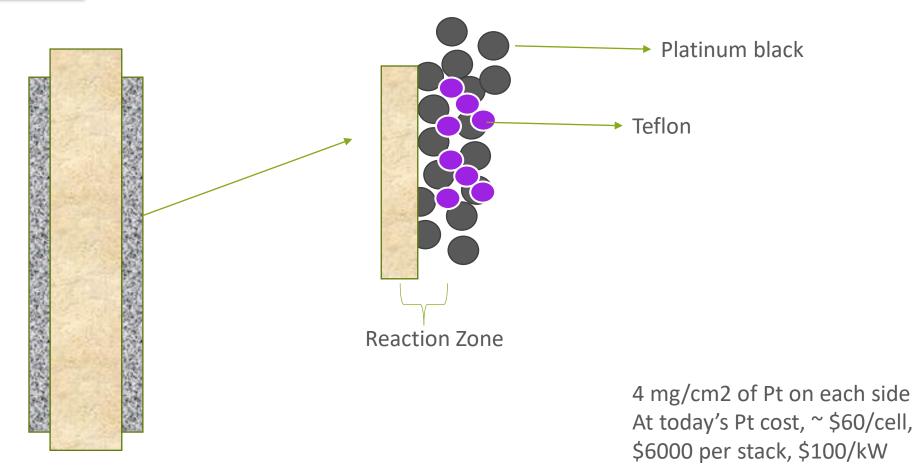


GEMINI FUEL CELL : BASICS



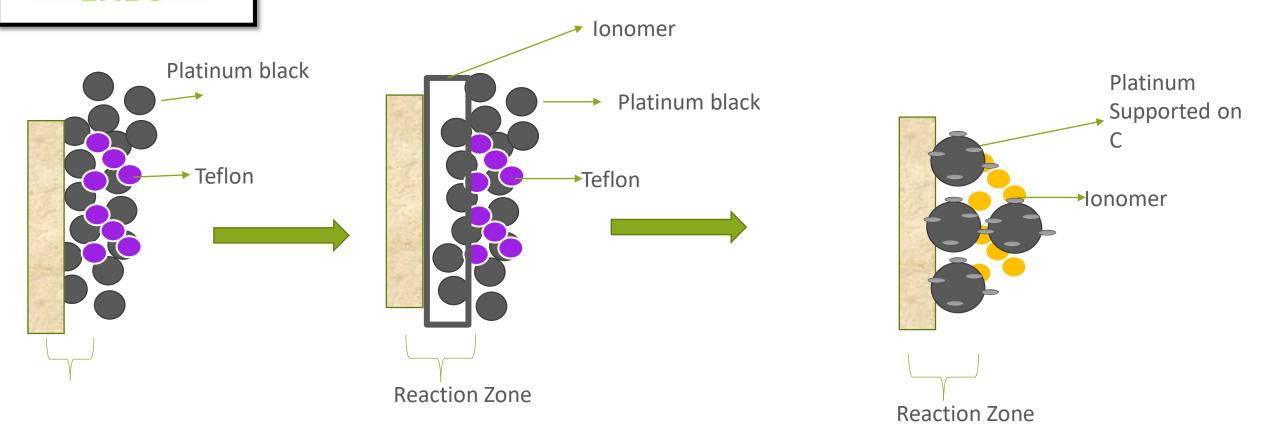


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LANL FUEL CELL EVOLUTION : ~ 1990

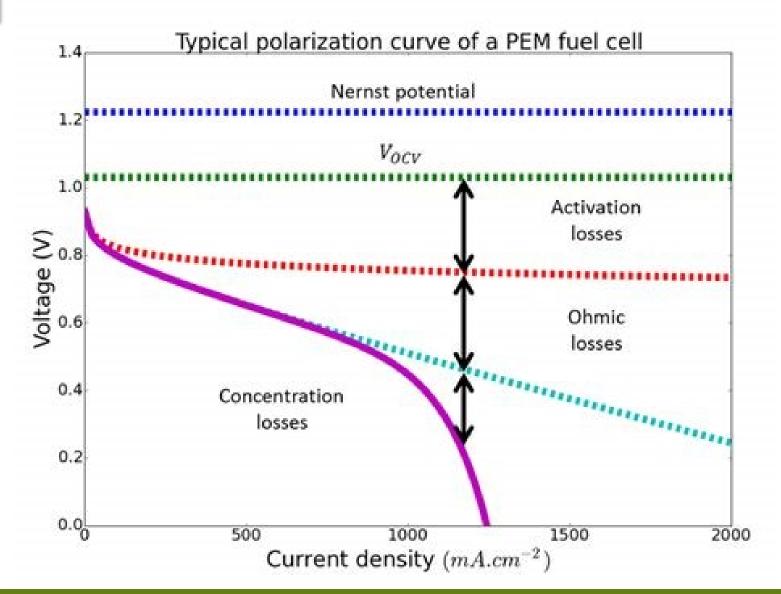
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40 X reduction in Platinum Loading



FUEL CELL PERFORMANCE CURVE

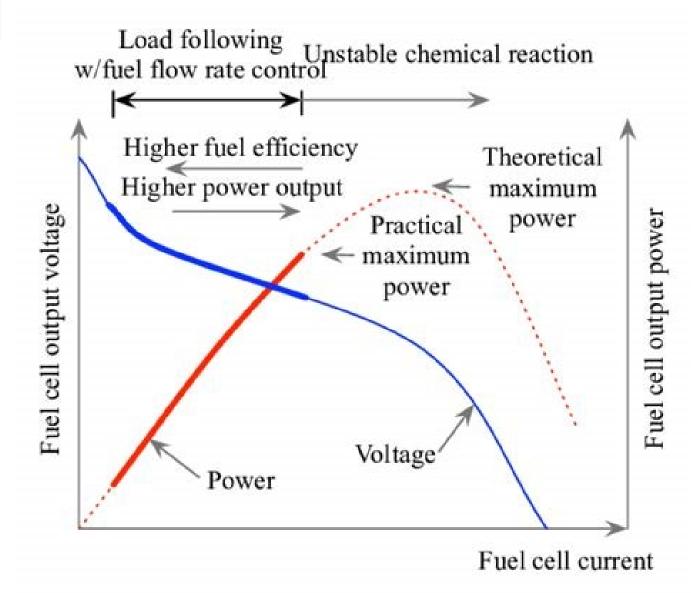


Accelerating implementation of Electrochemical Technologies at Scale.

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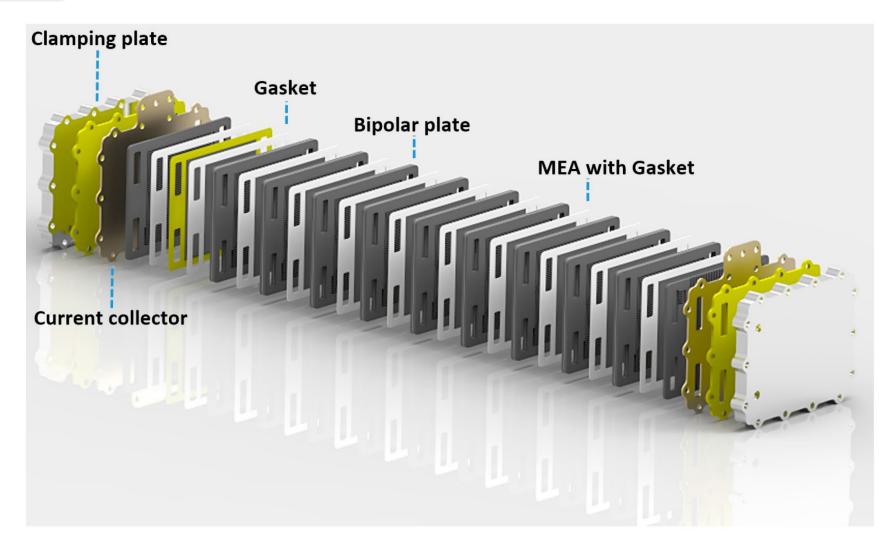
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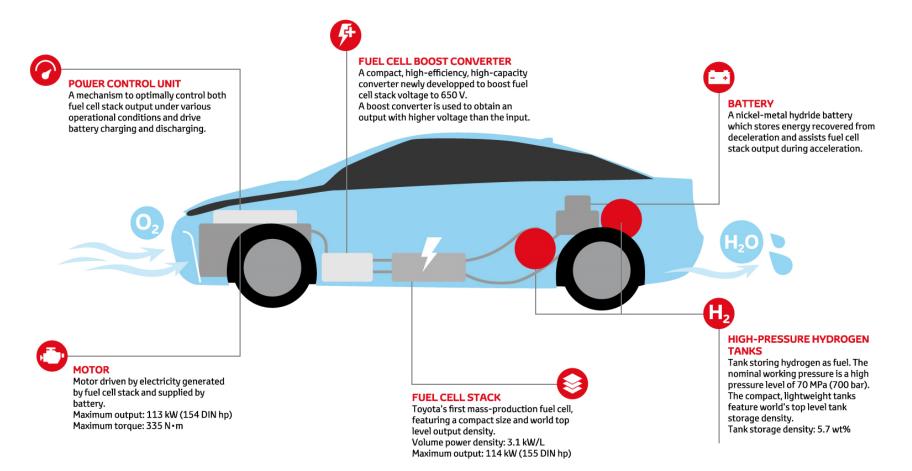
SINGLE CELL TO A STACK





FUEL CELL ENGINE : EXAMPLE: MIRAI

Fuel cell technology explained



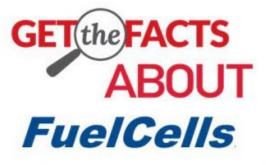
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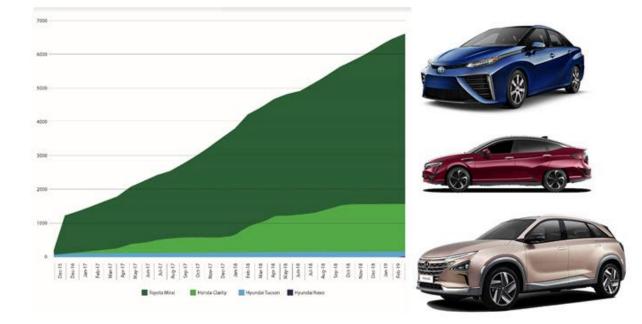


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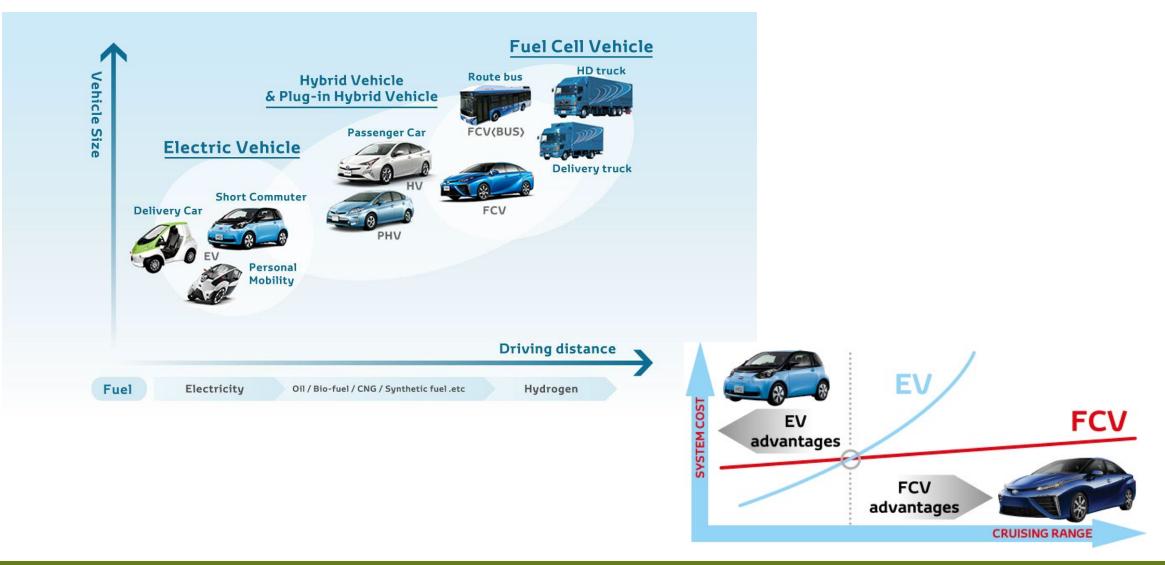








BEV VS FCEV : ARE FUEL CELLS FOOL CELLS?





QUESTIONS?



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