



Transitioning to Net-Zero Carbon: Engineering Challenges and Opportunities

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Navigating the Energy Transition



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NAVIGATING THE ENERGY TRANSITION

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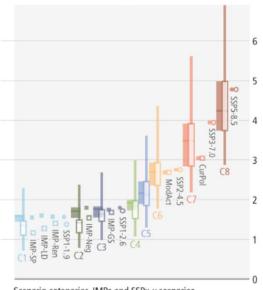
Chief Technology Officer Honeywell UOP Honeywell Performance Materials and Technologies



THE ENERGY TRANSITION:

The problem ...

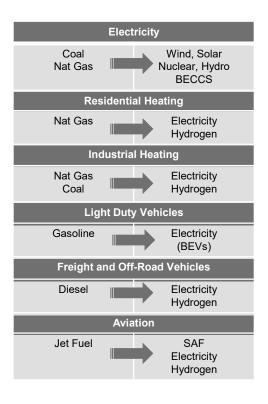
b. Peak and 2100 global warming across scenario categories, IMPs and SSPx-y scenarios considered by AR6 WG1



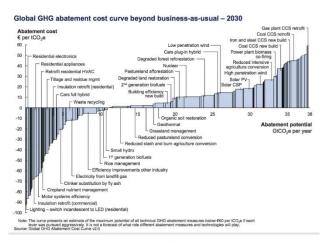
Scenario categories, IMPs and SSPx-y scenarios

Source: IPCC AR6, WG3 (2022)

The solution ...

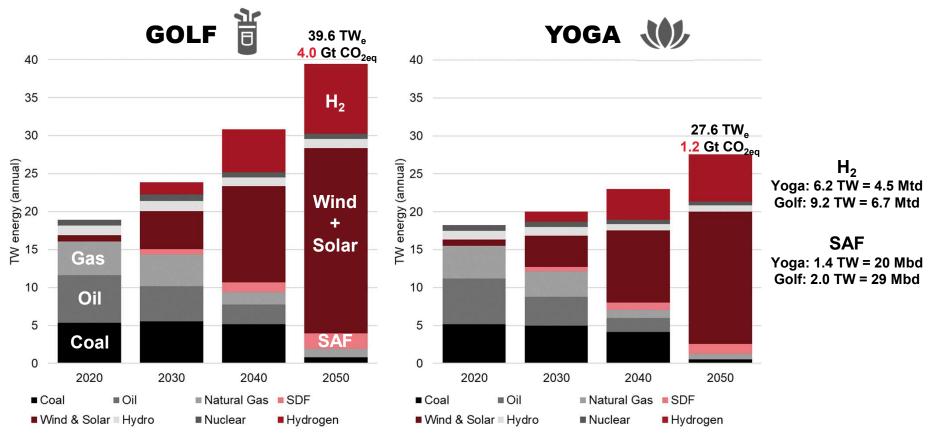


The challenge ...



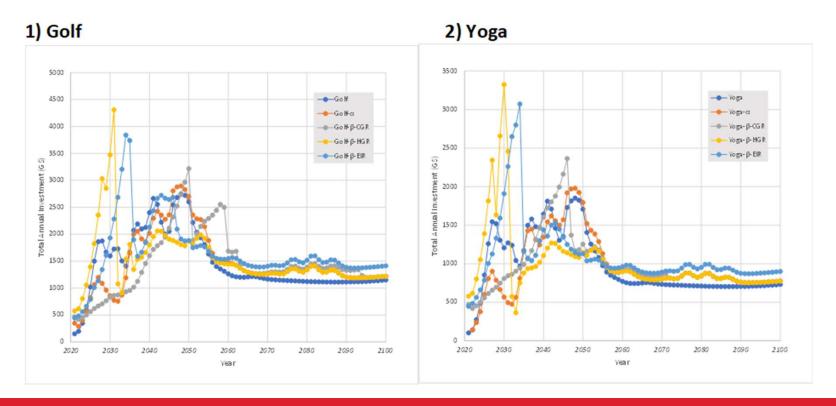
Source: McKinsey (2009), reproduced with permission of McKinsey & Company

TWO VISIONS OF THE FUTURE



Note: renewables show primary energy consumed, not installed capacity

WHY ARE WE BEHIND PACE?: INVESTMENT NEEDED



Total investment to 2050: T\$33 to T\$59



QUESTION & ANSWER

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Solar Power – Today's Success Poised to be Tomorrow's Solution



Sarah Kurtz

Professor at the University of California







Solar technology is demonstrated!



Solar powe

Solar Power = "Cheapest Electricity In History"

CLEAN POWER

The fossil-friendly International Energy Agency indicates that solar power is now the "cheapest electricity in history."





In 2020, IEA
concluded that solar
power can provide
the cheapest
electricity

https://cleantechnica.com/2020/10/26/solar-power-cheapest-electricity-in-



TW of solar deployed – this spring's news!

World has installed 1TW of solar capacity

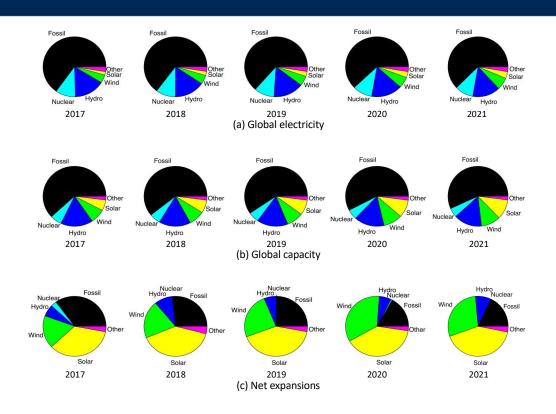
The world has installed its first terawatt of hardware on Earth to generate electricity directly from the sun.

MARCH 15, 2022 JOHN FITZGERALD WEAVER

https://www.pv-magazine.com/2022/03/15/humans-have-installed-1-terawatt-of-solar-capacity/

How big is a TW?
The US total electricity generating capacity is 1.2 TW



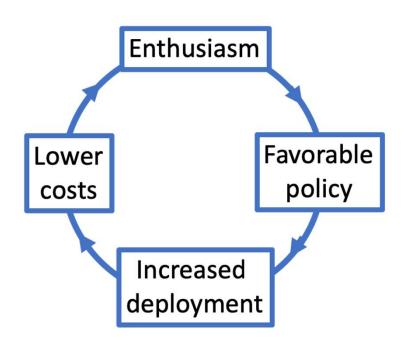


Solar currently provides only 4% of world's electricity, but is half of the new renewable-energy capacity (which is ~80%)

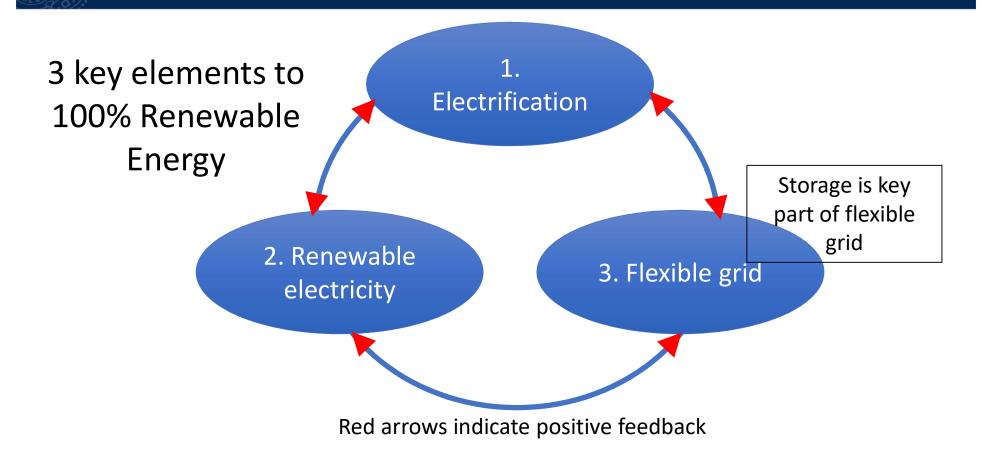
Haegel, et al, IEEE Journal of PV



Positive feedback enables rapid change

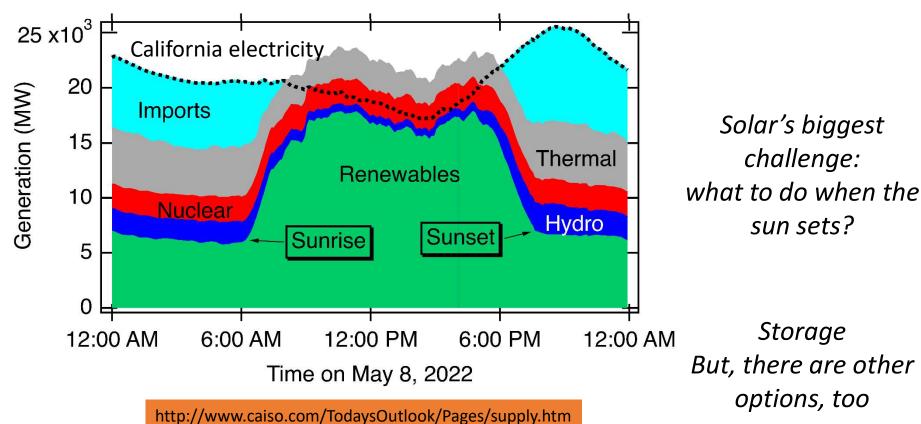


Clean energy will benefit from positive feedback

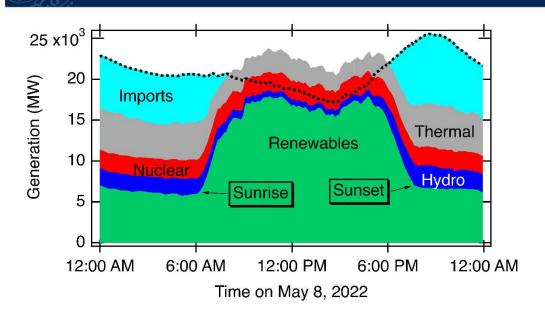




Solar as a primary electricity source







Utilities today offer special charging rates to EV owners who charge at night

Wouldn't it be better if EVs are charged during the day?

Let's be smart and invest in infrastructure that will provide a low-cost solution: EV charging in daytime parking lots

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Nuclear Innovations – Beyond Baseload Power



José N. Reyes, Jr.

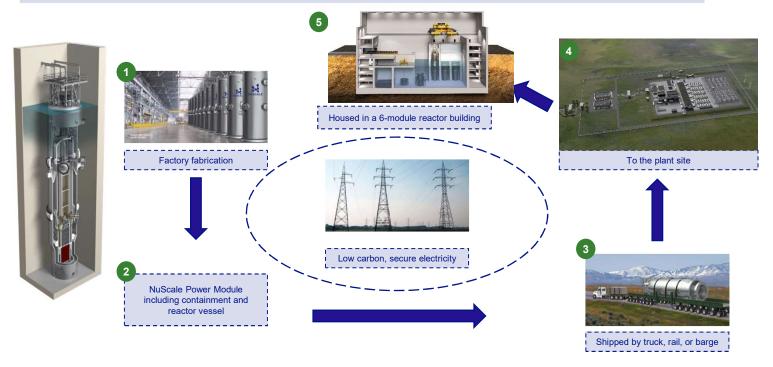
Co-founder and Chief Technology
Officer, NuScale Power, LLC





A New Approach to Construction and Operation

NuScale has revolutionized the nuclear supply chain with modular manufacturing of NPM units in-house that are shipped to sites







Small Modular Reactors for the Modern Grid

Enhanced Level of Safety

- No operator action, or AC/DC power needed to shut down reactors and no need to add water to keep reactors safe and cooled for an unlimited time.
- o Capable of achieving site boundary EPZ.
- No connection to the grid required for safety.

"Off-Grid" Operation

- New applications
- o Long-term Reliable Power for Mission Critical Facilities

Grid Support and Resilience

- Black-start capability
- o First Responder Power for Severe Weather Events
- Load Following Renewables and frequency hunting for grid stability
- o Seismic events, hurricanes, flooding, tornados, aircraft impact.

Advanced Control Systems

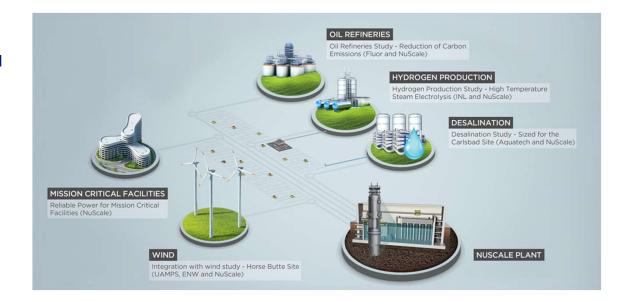
- o Simplified, Automated, Control Rooms
- Unique cyber resistant FPGA based Module Protection and Plant Protection Systems.

Sized to repurpose coal fired plants



Beyond Baseload Power

- Role in De-carbonizing the Power Sector
 - Replacing 200 GWe of retiring coal plants with plants through 2050
- Role in Decarbonizing the Transportation Section
 - Commercial Scale Hydrogen Production
 - Fuel Cell vehicles and Energy Storage
 - Clean power for electric vehicles
- Role in enabling multiple off-grid applications
 - Desalination
 - Hydrogen, Oxygen, Ammonia Production, Fertilizers
 - Process Heat





Need Big Impact on a Short Time Scale

- The Clock is Ticking California, Colorado, Maine, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Virginia, Washington, Guam, and Puerto Rico have established 100% Clean Energy Mandates with deadlines ranging from 2040-2050. https://www.ncsl.org/research/energy/renewable-portfolio-standards.aspx
- *Least-Cost Path to meeting Clean Energy Mandates Renewables + Nuclear
- Inflation Reduction Act Includes energy tax credits benefits that create an emissions-based incentive that will be neutral and flexible between clean electricity technologies.
 - Customers can choose between a <u>production tax</u> <u>credit</u> or an <u>investment tax credit</u>, which is based on the carbon emissions of the electricity generated.
 - Any power facility of any technology can qualify for the credits, so long as the facility's carbon emissions are at or below zero.





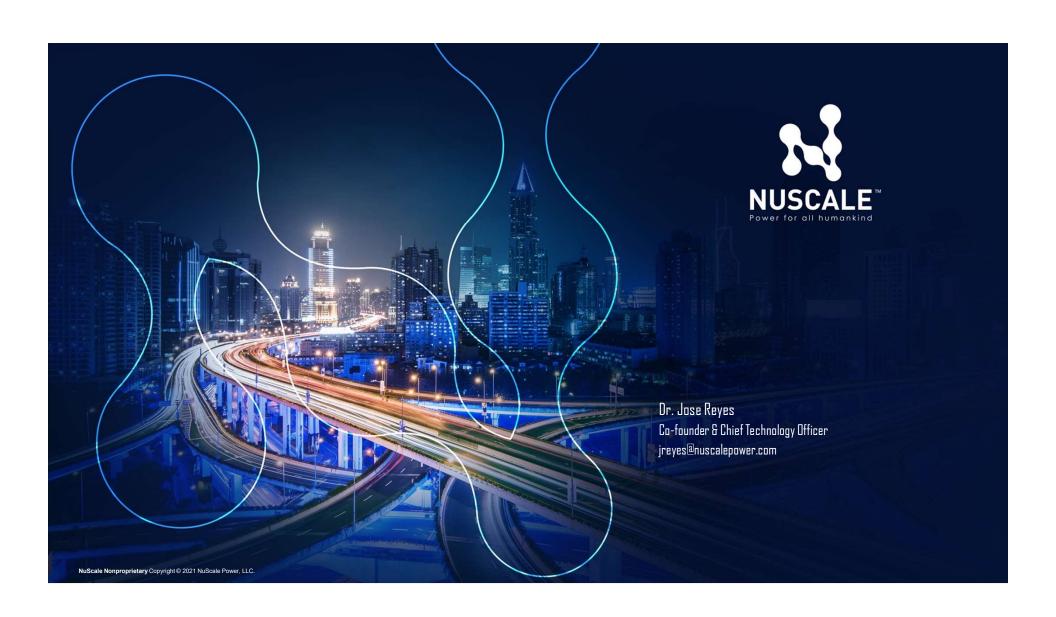
IRA Benefits to Nuclear

- \$40 billion for DOE loan commitments
- \$3.6 billion for DOE loan guarantees
- \$1.5 billion for national lab support
- \$700 million for supporting HALEU fuel
- Zero emission power PTC of \$0.003/kwh and bonus credit of \$0.015c/kwh for electricity sold before 2033 and adjusted as the sale price of such electricity increases
- Clean energy PTC of \$0.025/kwh or ITC up to 30% of qualifying investment with potential for direct pay

*Pacific Northwest Zero-Emitting Resources Study, Energy + Environmental Economics, January 2020. https://www.ethree.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/E3-Pacific-Northwest-Zero-Emitting-Resources-Study-Jan-2020.pd Least Cost Carbon Reduction Policies in PJM, Energy + Environmental Economics, October 2020. https://www.ethree.com/least-cost-carbon-reduction-in-pjm/

New Jersey Energy Master Plan Pathway to 2050, analysis by the Rocky Mountain Institute, January 2020. https://rmi.org/new-jersey-charts-a-practical-affordable-course-to-a-decarbonized-economy/ MIT, The Future of Nuclear Energy in a Carbon-Constrained World (2018) https://energy.mit.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/The-Future-of-Nuclear-Energy-in-a-Carbon-Constrained-World.pdf





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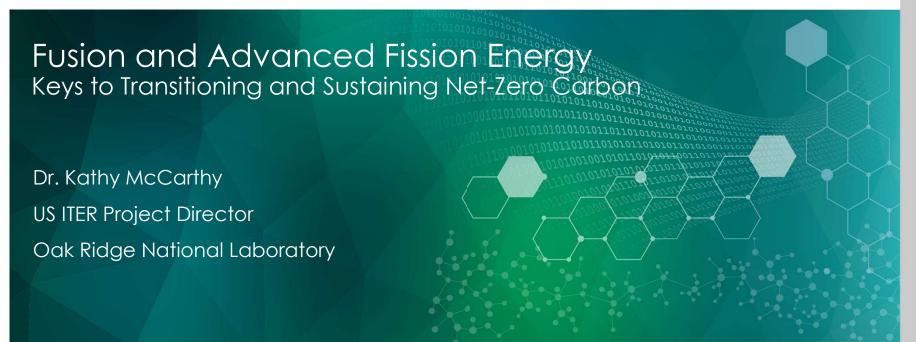
Fusion and Advanced Fission Energy – Key to Transitioning and Sustaining Net Zero Carbon



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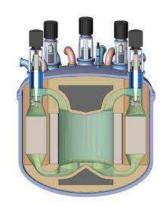


Nuclear energy, advanced reactors and fusion are allies for carbon-free energy

Nuclear energy's carbon-free, reliable baseload power intersects effectively with renewable sources



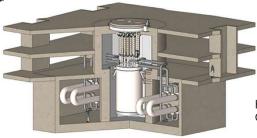
Watts Bar Plant. Credit: TVA



Molten chloride fast reactor Credit: Terra Power/Southern

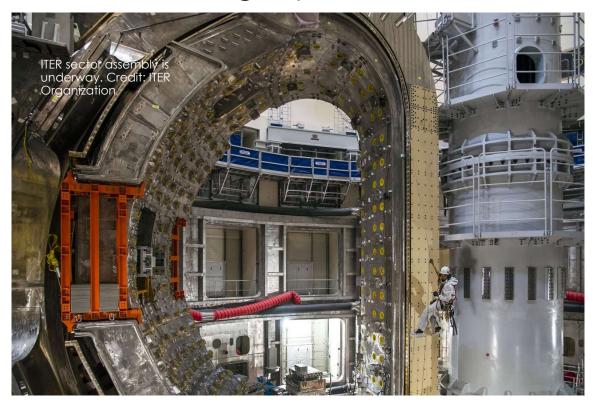


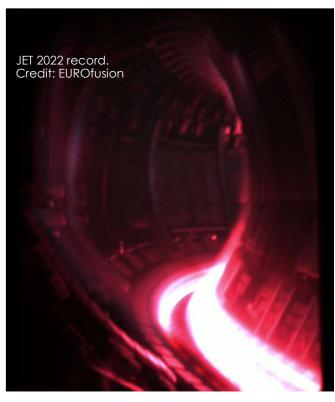
DIII-D research tokamak. Credit: GA



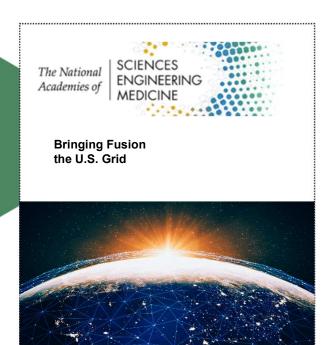
HERMES demonstration reactor design. Credit: Kairos

We are building a path to fusion energy now





We can engineer the solutions for fusion energy









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Thank you

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Next Generation Electric Grid: Transitioning the Grid to Net-Zero Carbon



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Exceptional service in the national interest

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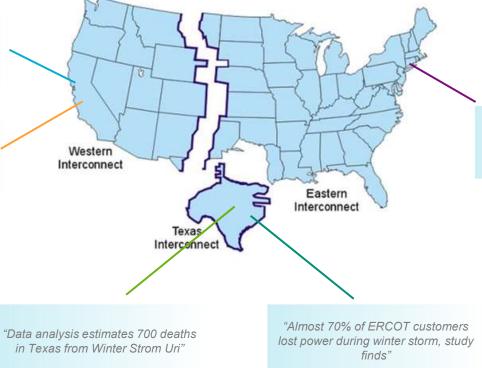


Challenges to Our Current Grid

North American Electric Power Grids

"Bay Area power outages: Thousands without power"

"California Declares Grid Emergency, Warning of Blackouts"

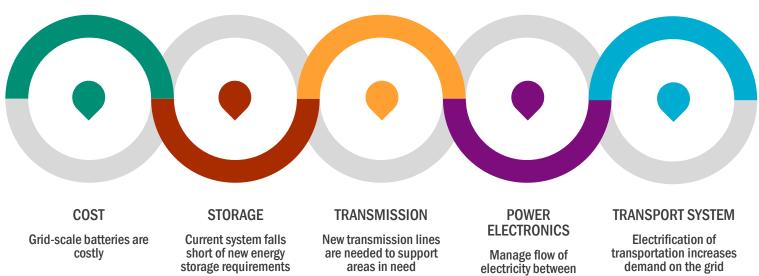


"US East Coast begins 2022 with winter storm, almost 1M outages"



Needs for the Grid of the Future

costly



transportation increases demand on the grid

Manage flow of electricity between renewables and the grid



Transitioning to the Next-Generation Electric Grid



"...conduct long-term regional transmission planning on a sufficiently forward-looking basis to meet transmission needs driven by changes in the resource mix and demand."



The Grid Deployment Office will invest \$17 billion in programs and projects to identify and address national transmission, distribution, and clean generation needs













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