

## Fuel Cells with Hydrogen Technology

Introduction

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- Hydrogen boom
- Fuel cell steps in Finland (and beyond)



- Fuel cells structure, operation principle
- Application areas
- Conclusions







## Why just now?

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# Asian 'technology giants' are developing fuel cells in energy production, trafic and domestic use

#### SOUTH-KOREA

Until 2040

- Domestic production of 6.2 milj. fuel cell vehicles
- 40 000 buses, 80 000 taxis, 30 000 trucks
- I 200 refuelling stations
- I5 GW fuel cells in energy production

### AUSTRALIA

- Goal to be the leading country in in green hydrogen export in 2030
- Partner agreements for example with Japan, China and Singapore
- Regioanal hydrogen strategies and developing programs

#### JAPAN Until 2030

5,3 miljon fuel cells in domestic use
800 000 vehicles
900 hydrogen refulling stations
1200 fuel cell buses
R&D fuel cells in marine use

## Fuel cells & hydrogen – the boom has started?



Hydrogen strategy 2020 The essential role of hydrogen in energy use and export



Generic hydrogen vision 2002. Industrial orientated roadmap 2019 based on 100 % domestic hydrogen



5 GW electrolysers in 2025 Goal to be the most cost effective hydrogen producer in the world in 2030



The export of coal neutral hydrogen to Europe and Asia based on natural gas, renewables and nuclear power



I miljon fuel cell vehicles and 1000 refulling stations 2030 Strong focus in trafic develoment 37 regional policies for hydrogen from 2020



Aims to be the leading country in hydrogen production. Wind, solar and wave power



Aims to be the biggest hydrogen producer 5 mrd € solar- and wind power project Hellos Green Fuels for Hydrogen production in 2025 To Neomi city Source :AFRY In EU hydrogen strategy the primary goal is green hydrogen – produced mainly via wind and solar energy

# 450 Mrd € investments

## 2020-2024

- Decarbonisation in industry
- Development the infrastructure in trafic
- The 'low carbon' hydrogen has also a role

### 2025-2030

- Part of the integrated energy system
- New role in energy and trafic
- Local transmission

#### 2030-2050

- The technology of green hydrogen has attained its maturiry
- 25 % of renewable electricity perhaps allocated to hydrogen production
- Transmisson developes

# Nordic and Baltic countries



The hydrogen stategy in Norway was bublished in 2020 based on that the hydrogen road map will be developed



Energimyndighet prepared the hydrogen startegy at end of 2021

The Danish hydrogen strategy was ready 2021. The Hydrogen Association published the hydrogen roadmap in 2021



The hydrogen roadmap in Estonia was ready in 2021 Lithuania is preparing its own hydrogen strategy





Finland doesn't have a detailed hydrogen strategy. Finland has looked up hydrogen 'in the same line' than other low carbon technolgies in energy productuion

One driver for utilising hydrogen in order to achieve climate goals is seen in areas where the electrification is not possible

What is the need of hydrogen in different application areas in Finalnd

#### THE NEED OF A CLEAR STRATEGY IS VITAL

Source: AFRY

#### Kuva 29. Esimerkkejä kotimaisista vetyprojekteista vuonna 2021

#### PtGtP

Uusiutuvan vedyn tuotanto\*\*

Sijainti: Vaasa Vaihe: Demonstraatio Yritykset: EPV Energia, Vaasan Sähkö, Wärtsilä, Vaasan kaupunki

#### Prizztech

Synteettisen metaanin tuotanto

Sijainti: Meri-Pori Kapasiteetti: Soveltuvuusselvitys (20MW)

#### P2X Solutions

Vihreän vedyn tuotanto\*\* Sijainti: Harjavalta Vaihe: Suunnitteluvaihe 20MW Yritykset: P2X Solutions

#### Green H2UB Green NortH2 Energy Vetypolttoaineiden tuotanto

Sijainti: Naantali Vaihe: Aiesopimus Yritykset: Green H2UB (Elomaticin kehitysyhtiö), Turun Seudun Energiantuotanto; Green NortH2 Energy (Elomaticin tytäryhtiö), Flexens

#### Ren-Gas

Uusituvan metaanin ja vihreän vedyn tuotanto Sijainti: Lahti Vaihe: Toteutettavuusanalyysi Yritykset: Lahti Energia Raahe 🔳



#### Wärtsilä

Synteettinen metaani\*\* Sijainti: Vantaa Vaihe: Demonstraatio Yritykset: Vantaan Energia, Wärtsilä

#### Flexens

Vedyn käyttö ja tuotanto meriteollisuudessa

Sijainti: Ahvenanmaa

Vaihe: Pilotti

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#### Both2nia

Vetylaakso Sijainti: Perämeren rannikko FI-SE Yritykset: Konsortio

#### Ren-Gas

Uusituvan metaanin ja vihreän vedyn tuotanto Sijainti: Mikkeli Vaihe: Toteutettavuusanalyysi Yritykset: Etelä-Savon Energia

#### Konsortio

Synteettinen metanoli Sijainti: Joutseno Vaihe: Demonstraatio Yritykset: Finnsementti, Kemira, Neste, St1, Wärtsilä, Finnair, Shell

#### Soletair

Synteettisten polttoaineiden tuotanto + CO2 talteenotto Sijainti: Joutseno

Vaihe: Demonstraatio Yritykset: Soletair, LUT-yliopisto

#### Q Power

Synteettisen kaasun tuotanto Sijainti: Kerava Vaihe: Demonstraatio Yritykset: Q Power, Keravan Energia

#### Neste

Puhdas ja vähähiilinen vety\* Sijainti: Porvoo Vaihe: Demonstraatio

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## Gulf of Bothnia – the hydrogen society of the Persian Gulf

#### Green hydrogen has a sgnificant meaning

Hydrogen usage is estimated to cover 25 % of EU's energy need in 2050.

The potential of green hydrogen lies in replacement of today's grey hydrogen, in synthetic fuels, fuel cells and in heavy (eg. steel) industry.

Significant locations in the arc of the Bothnia Gulf are for example Kokkola, Kalajoki, Pyhäjoki, Raahe, Oulu, Kemi, Tornio, Boden, Luleå, Skellefteå ja Umeå.



#### YLE 19.10.2021





# Electricty in Finland ...

## Consumption of electricity in Finland 2021, 86 TWh (+ 6 %)



Electricity supply from different energy sources 2021







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# イ<sub>リ</sub> Prologue (Cont.)



Lakehurst, New Jersey

6.5.1937



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DENSY program (Distributed Energy Systems, 2003 – 2007) promoted the knowhow of distributed energy technologies in Finland. During the program awakening of the climate change occured extensivly. Fuel cell technology was a part of the program.

Total budget 47 M€, Tekes 31 M€.



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## Distributed Energy Systems - characteristics



Production near consumption Not connected to a high voltage transmission line Moderate unit size, < 10 MW (< 50 MW)

## Global markets – high potential

## Households without electricity



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Climbus (2004-2009) Business prospects via the restraint of the climate change. The program created an intensive climate cluster in Finland. Totally 167 companies took part to the program.

Total budget 90,5 M€,

Tekes 43,6 M€



# 7 Tekes (Business Finland) programs 3

#### Fuel Cells 2007 – 2013, 90 M€





## Fuel Cells, 2007-2013



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## Fuel Cells, 2007-2013

### How is hydrogen stored?



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## Fuel Cells, 2007 - 2013

Trafic	Stationary loacations, CHP	Niche-markets
On road	Households	Mobile ja micro FC's
On sea	Hotels	Special vehicles
In air	Hospitals	Portable generators, UPS
On rail	Industry	H <sub>2</sub> –power plants

- Special vehicles forklifts, harbor cranes
- Personal trafic aim in buses
- Telecommunication, basestation, remote control, UPS
- CHP systems for harbor area
- Fuel cells utilising biogas
- Hydrogen refilling station





# Hydrogen village in Äetsä



## Kemira (Finnish) Chemicals factory, Äetsä

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# 'House of hydrogen' in Äetsä



## J Solar power plant in Lempäälä Marjamäki

Polttokennoilla turvataan aurinkopaneelikentän hetkelliset tehomuutokset ja ylläpidetään energiayhteisön tehotasapainoa



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## SOFC $(24 \times 3 \text{ kW}) \times 2 = 144 \text{ kW}$ (Convion)

2020 presents hydrogen olympics and fuel cells – Japani wants to spread hydrogen message to whole world



100 fuel cell buses and 35 refillig stations during olympics .

Japan government aims to 100 000 fuel cell vehicles in Tokyo in 2025. The country has now over 100 refilling stations.

## BUT ... Covid-19



# Different colors of hydrogen



Grey hydrogen:

Hydrogen produced from fossil fuels



Blue hydrogen:

Hydrogen produced without emission, nuclear



Turquoise hydrogen:

Hydrogen via pyrolysis, Coal as a by-product



Green hydrogen:

Hydrogen via electrolysis utilising renewables  Fuel Cells – price trends



1970's 600 000 \$/kW (space) 1990's 4500 \$/kW (stationary) 2010's 1000 \$/kW (stationary)



2020's

1000  $\rightarrow$  500  $\rightarrow$  300 \$ / kW

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# Fuel Cell markets

#### 2330 MW in 2021



#### Global MWs shipped by application

MW	2016	2020
Portable	0.3	0.4
Stationary	209	325
Transport	307	994
Total	516.3	1319.4

#### Global units shipped by application

1000 unit	2016	2020
Portable	4.2	4.1
Stationary	51.8	57.8
Transport	7.2	20.5
Total	63.2	82.4

# Fuel Cell; price - automobile



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## 44 000 Fuel Cell vehicles in 2021 (growth 42 %)

#### + 5000 buses and 5000 trucks

- •2001 Hyundai Santa Fe FCEV
- •2013 Hyundai Tucson/iX35 FCEV
- •2008 Honda FCX Clarity
- •2015 Toyota Mirai
- •2016 Riversimple Rasa
- •2016 Honda Clarity Fuel Cell
- •2018 <u>Hyundai Nexo</u>

	Toyota Mirai	Hyundai ix35 Fuel Cell	Honda Clarity Fuel Cell
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Acceleration 0-60 mph	9.6 s	12.5 s	11 s
Fuel Cell power	113 kW	100 kW	103 kW
Engine power	113 kW	100 kW	130 kW
Top speed	179 km/h	161 km/h	200 km/h
Range	ca. 550 km (NEDC test)	594 km	482 km
H <sub>2</sub> storage	70 MPa	70 MPa	70 MPa
# 44 000 Fuel Cell vehicles in 2021



Toyota Mirai: ~ 50 000 € (FC ~ 5 000 €)

FC system	57 kg
Hydrogen	5 kg
Hydrogen tanks	83 kg

145 kg / 650 km

Tesla Model 3: ~ 50 000 €

Battery Pack 540 kg

540 kg / 430 km

Infrastructure of refilling ...

# <sup>C</sup>ワ Toyota Mirai 2022



## Industrial Manufacturing

#### Space technology



#### Aircraft technology



#### Automobile technology



#### I M€/kg





- New materials
- New technology
- New IT

- New materials
- Industrial scaleTested IT

- Low costs
- Well-established technology - Massproduction

#### C フ 3. Fuel cells – structure, operation principle



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### What is it all about?



Water electrolysis ... Reversed



### Where did it all started?



William Grove (1811-1896)

- Measured and published the phenomenon of fuel cells (reversed water electrolysis), 1839.
- 'Grove's experiment clarifies well the theory, but concerning practical applications, it is quite useless



### Concept: William Grove, 1839

Demo: Thomas Bacon, 1952

First applications: Gemini ja Apollo – space ships



#### The Fuel Cell in Apollo 11

Size	111.8 X 55.9 cm
Weight	181.4kg
Cell output	2,300W max

- Each of the fuel cell power plants contain 31 separate cells connected in series

- Each cell produces 27 to 31 volts.

\* Source : PowerNational Air and Space Museum





#### ► CASE

 The main principle of PEM (Proton-Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell)

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### Fuel Cell – basic principle



Hydrogen and oxygen are fed to the anode and cathode, respectively of a solid polymer cell, or PEM cell, whereby the reactions of electrodes are: Anode:  $2H_2 \rightarrow 4H^+ + 4e^-$  and cathode:  $O_2 + 4e^- + 4H^+ \rightarrow 2H_2O$ . In other words, on the anode hydrogen gas is ionized, releasing electrons and H+ ions (protons) that pass through the electrolyte from the anode to the cathode. In the reaction, two electrons are transported through an external circuit connected between the electrodes from the anode to the cathode for one anode to the hydrogen molecule. In addition to the electrical energy generated, clean water is the reaction product.

### イン Hydrogen + oxygen (air) >> electric current













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The electrical chemistry and thermodynamics of the fuel cell will be discussed in more detail in the advanced course

Cell reversible ideal open circuit voltage

becomes electric.

Ideally, the whole Gibbs' energy

The operation of the fuel cell is based on Gibbs' free energy change



Fuel Cell – open circuit voltage

Total charge through the load

 $F \sim$  Faraday constant 96 485 C/mol



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### Gibbs Free Energy



g = h - Ts

 $\Delta g = \Delta h - T \Delta s$ 

Produced heat in the cell



Lähtöreaktio 
$$H_2 + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \rightarrow H_2O$$
  
 $g = h - Ts$ 

missä *h* on ominaisentalpia, s ominaisentropia (moolia kohti) ja *T* kennon toimintalämpötila

Muutos

$$\Delta g = \Delta h - T \Delta s$$

$$\Delta h = (h)_{H_2O} - (h)_{H_2} - \frac{1}{2}(h)_{O_2}$$
$$\Delta s = (s)_{H_2O} - (s)_{H_2} - \frac{1}{2}(s)_{O_2}$$

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#### Real cell voltage



フ Fuel cell irreversibilities

Activation losses



- Fuel crossover
- Ohmic losses
- Concentration losses



## What is an ideal amount of hydrogen mass flow (kg/h) in the PEM cell to produce a 1 A cell current? Hydrogen molest mass $M_{H2} = 2.0158$ g/mol.



### Solution

As two electrons move in the PEM cell through the external load per one-brought hydrogen molecule, the transferred total charge Q is

$$Q = 2 F n_{H2}$$

Where F is the Faraday and  $n_{H2}$  the amount of hydrogen in moles. Derivate the equation for time t:

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = I = 2 F \dot{n}_{H2}$$

$$\dot{n}_{H2} = \frac{I}{2F} = \frac{1A}{2 \cdot 96485C / mol} = 5.18 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{mol}{s}$$

$$\dot{n}_{H2} = 5.18 \cdot 10^{-6} \frac{mol}{s} \times 2.0158 \frac{g}{mol} = 1.045 \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{g}{s} = 3.76 \cdot 10^{-5} \frac{kg}{h}$$

## Commercial Fuel Cell types

- Fuel cells can be classified, for example, according to the electrolyte or operating temperature used
- High Temperature Fuel Cells:
- SOFC Solid Oxide Fuel Cell (kiinteäoksidikenno), T<sub>op</sub> = 800 … 1000 °C
- MCFC Molten Carbonate Fuel Cell (sulakarbonaattikenno), T<sub>op</sub> = 600 ... 650 <sup>o</sup>C



### Commercial Fuel Cell types(Cont.)

Low Temperature Fuel Cells

- PAFC Phosphoric Acid Fuel Cell (fosforihappokenno), T<sub>op</sub> = 200 ...220 <sup>0</sup>C
- AFC Alkaline Fuel Cell (alkaalikenno), T<sub>op</sub> = 80 … 100
  <sup>0</sup>C
- PEM Solid Polymer Fuel Cell (kiinteä polymeerikenno),  $T_{op} = 70 \dots 80 \ ^{0}C$
- DMFC Direct Methanol Fuel Cell (suora metanolikenno), T<sub>op</sub> = 110 ... 130 °C

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### Fuel Cells – Application areas (1)

#### Stationary Power Systems



Limited transfer capacity

Distributed generation

### The Gyeonggi Green Energy fuel cell park in Hwaseong City



MCFC 59 MW



### Fuel Cells – Application areas (2)

#### UPS



Uninterruptible Power Supply



### Fuel Cells – Application areas (3)

#### Household specific CHP (micro-CHP)



Combined Heat and Power

Suitabale for areas where the infrastructure of electricity is weak



#### Small and portable applications

Charging devices

'Batteries' for mobile devices





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### Fuel Cells – Application areas (4) Cont.







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Special vehicles and working machines

Mine vehicles & small locomotives

Forklifts

Harbor cranes

Electricity production for ships

### Fuel Cells – Application areas (6)





Fuel Cell Vehicles (FCEV)

As a starting point for emissions and use of energy

All large car manufacturers have their own product development programs

So the supply exists... who does the market opening? ...Toyota

FCEV vs combustion engine



# Hydrogen filling stations in Europe





### Fuel Cell + Hydrogen in heavy traffic



FCEV powertrains for trucks are cost competitive with BEV from 100 km range





Hydrogen refueling is 15 times faster than fast charging



Recharging infrastructure requires 10-15x less space

Hydrogen raodmap Europe 2019



#### 5 Conclusions



Electrolyser

#### Hydrogen Storage

#### Fuel Cell





#### Power-to-x: carbon-neutral fuels




Solar and wind power can be used in electrolysis to decompose water molecules into oxygen and hydrogen. Hydrogen can be stored and later used in fuel cells or gas turbines to generate electricity and heat. There is no carbon emissions from burning hydrogen. The only by -product in addition to energy is water

・ フ Fuel Cells – Pros.







## High price, > 700 €/kW

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