

The Power of Dreams

Honda's Pursuit of Carbon Neutrality and Electrification Technology

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Global Warming: How Far Have We Come?



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What Are Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) Causing the Global Warming?

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Greenhouse gases (GHGs) in the atmosphere absorb the heat on the Earth warmed by sunlight, preventing the heat from escaping to space. The adequate amount of GHGs in the air makes the Earth habitable for humans.



Composition of greenhouse gases (GHGs)

- CO2 (accounting for 76% of total GHGs)
- Methane (25 times as potent as CO2)
- Sulfur hexafluoride (24,000 times as potent as CO2)
- Nitrogen monoxide, CFC, vapor

Average global temperature is 14°C. If not for GHGs, it would be -19°C.

Since the Industrial Revolution, CO2 emissions from fossil fuels have thrown GHGs off balance and caused global warming

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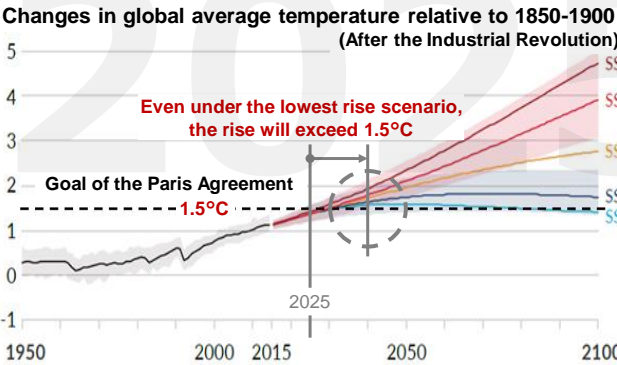
Current State of Global Warming according to IPCC Report

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Current state of global warming threatening our lives and health

IPCC WG I Contribution to the Sixth Assessment Report
August 2021

“It is unequivocal that human influence has warmed the atmosphere, ocean and land.”



SSP5-8.5: Fossil fuel-driven development
Highest emissions scenario with no climate policy

SSP1-1.9: Scenario to keep the temperature rise to 1.5°C or less
Introducing policies to keep the temperature rise until the end of the 21st century to less than 1.5°C from pre-industrialization level; CO2 emissions expected to become net zero in the mid-21st century.

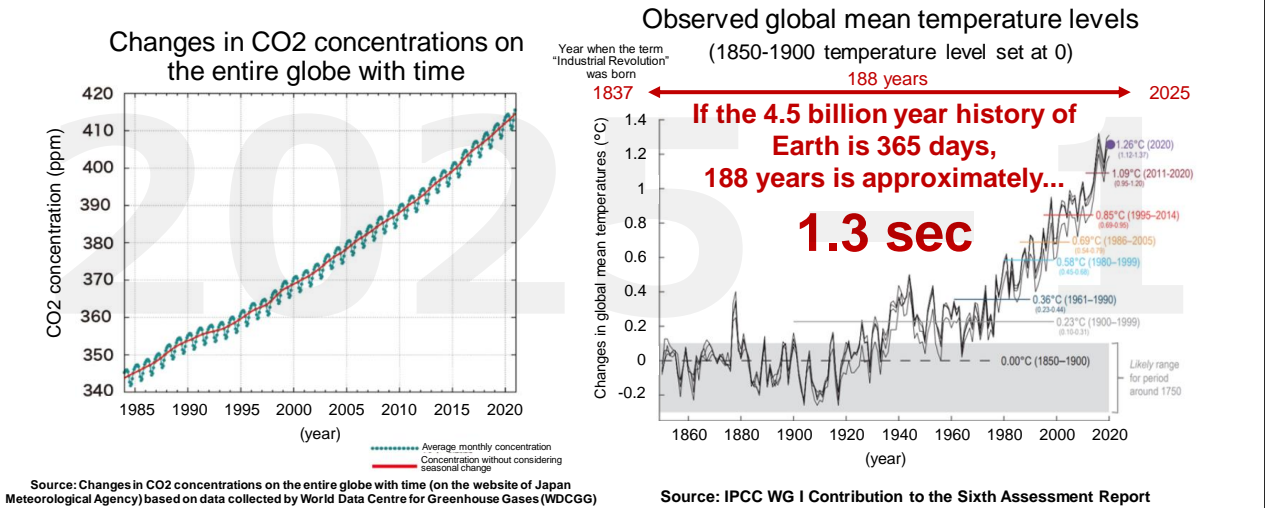
Global warming is approaching 1.5°C, a goal set by the Paris Agreement

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Current State of Global Warming

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CO2 concentrations and mean temperatures are rising globally



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How to Stop Global Warming: 1.5°C Scenario

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1.5°C is a tipping point at which significant changes will start to occur

■ Risks related to global warming (according to IPCC)

- Flood, sea level rise
- Inland flood
- Infrastructure disruption
- Deaths and diseases due to heat wave
- Food shortage due to temperature rise and drought
- Ecological change

1°C increase means 7% increase of rainfall.
The increased water vapor in the atmosphere leads to more typhoon disasters.
The areas burned by wildfire around the Mediterranean Sea have increased 41%.
Mosquitoes are now rarely seen even in summer, as they are not active at above 35°C



Torrential rain in Noto
<https://www.asahi.com/articles/photo/>



Torrential rain and flood in East Africa
<https://a-goal.org/flood-emergency-support/>




Wildfire around the Mediterranean Sea
<https://www.arabnews.jp/article/middle-east/>



Heat wave in Europe
<https://www.cnn.co.jp/photo/>

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Challenges Facing the Society to Achieve Carbon Neutrality



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What Is Carbon Neutral?

To achieve carbon neutrality, it's important that the energy at source be “clean”

Carbon neutral means to make CO2 emissions net zero

2023

CO2 emissions

2050

Reduce

Emitted

Absorbed/Removed

CO2 adsorption (0.04% concentration in the air)

H DAC (CO2 capture)

Bury in the ground or sea floor

H CO2 storage

Net zero

H SAF

H Biofuel

H Synfuel

Carbon-neutral energy

Electrified vehicles

Fuel-cell vehicles

Hydrogen reduction for iron production

Change of iron oxide reduction method: Shift from blast furnace to electric furnace

Carbon-neutral hydrogen and electricity are needed

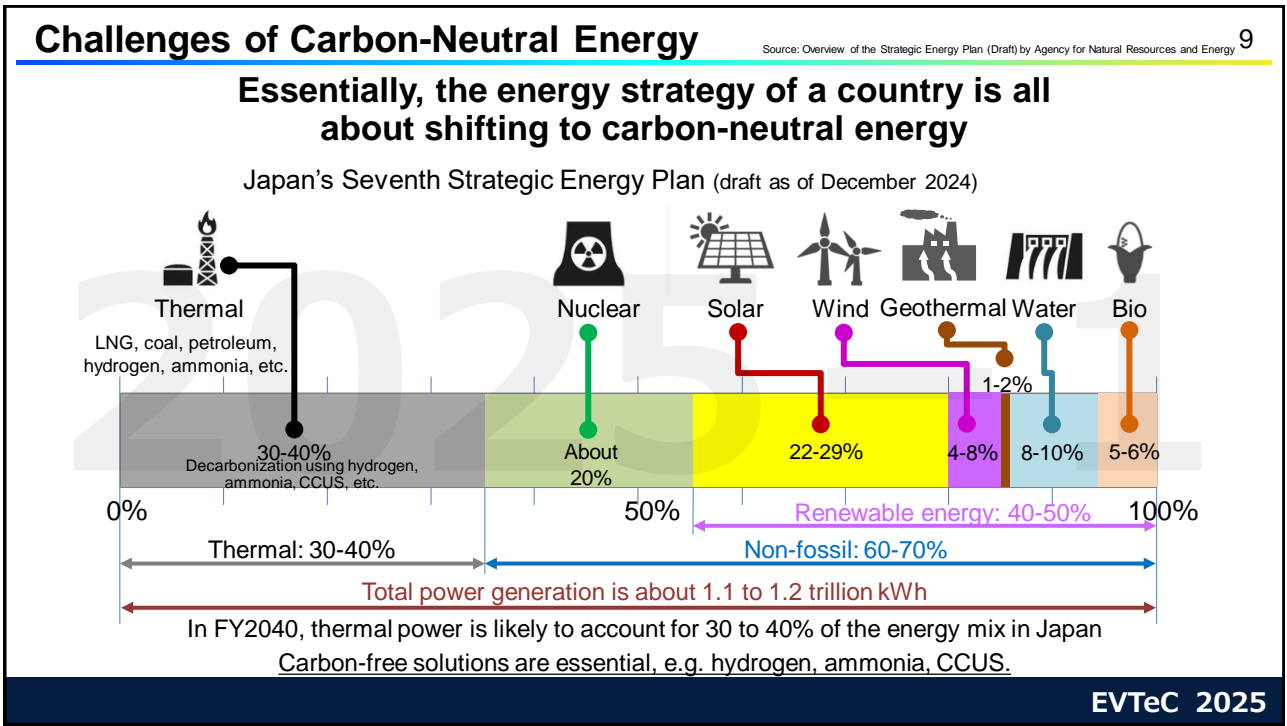
Carbon-neutral aviation fuel: Derived from plants or produced from CO2 and carbon-neutral hydrogen

CO2 absorption through plant photosynthesis

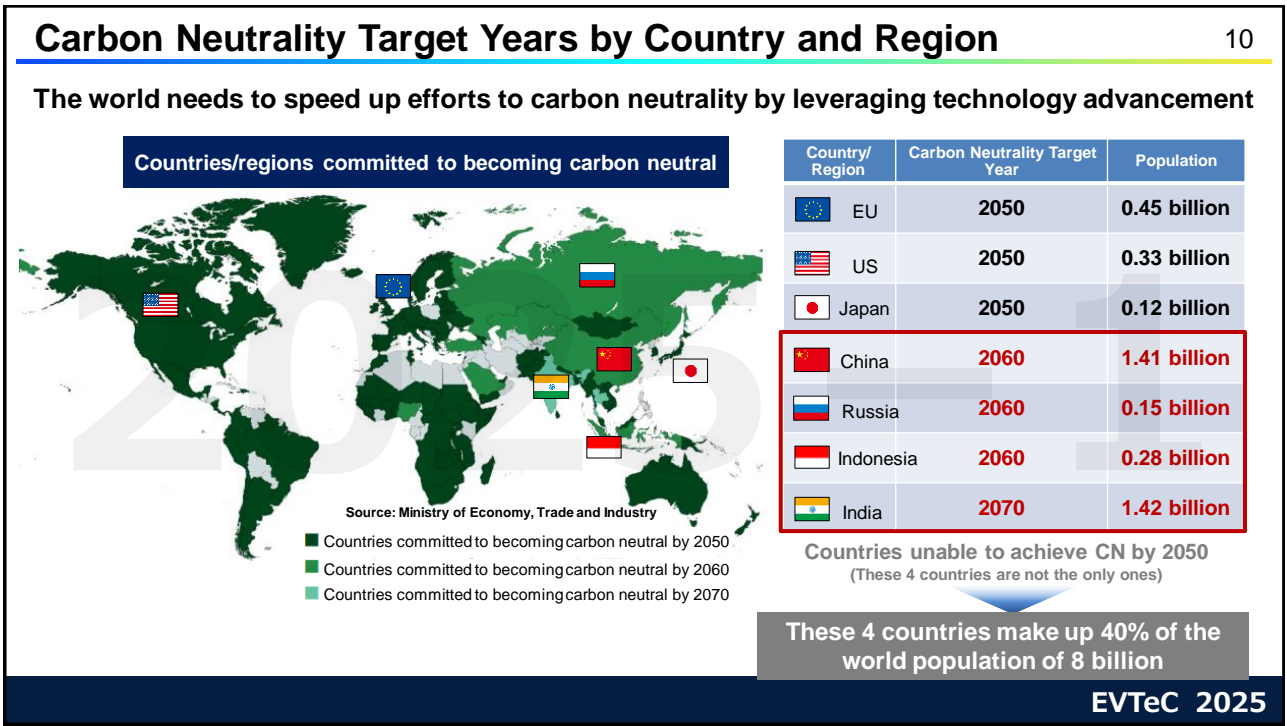
Produced from CO2 and carbon-neutral hydrogen; Also possible to produce naphtha or light oil

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Honda's Origin: Human-Centric Thinking

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Honda's Origin: Human-Centric Technology

No matter how technology and car making change, Honda's human-centric approach will never change

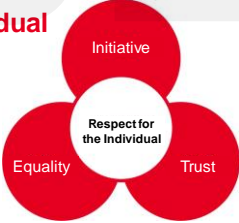
Human-Centric Thinking

Since its founding, Honda has continually strived to make products that delight as many people as possible, in keeping with its desire to be useful to people and society and expand the possibilities of people's lives.
Always central to this thinking is people. Honda believes in the potential of people.

Honda Philosophy


Respect for the Individual

Initiative
Equality
Trust



The Three Joys

Joy of Buying
Joy of Selling
Joy of Creating



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Honda's DNA

What I research at Honda is, “What do people like?”



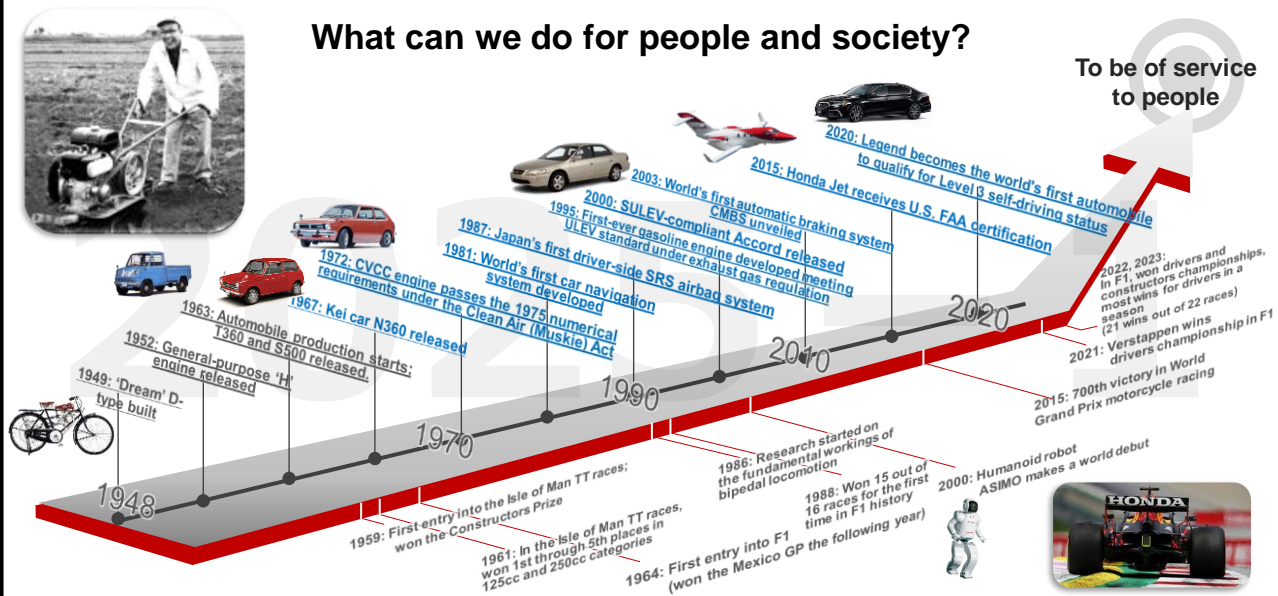
In other words,

we research “people”

We take on challenges to be of service to each person, and realize their dreams

Honda's History

What can we do for people and society?




MM (Man-Maximum Mecha-Minimum) Concept for the N360 in 1967

Our Founder's Vision:
"I want to create cars that many people will love."


Kei cars in the 1960s

SUBARU 360
(1958-)




Best-selling kei car
Rear Engine: 16 ps
Max. Speed: 83 km/h
Price: ¥365,000
1800 mm

Carol
(1962-)



Rear Engine: 18 ps
Max. Speed: 90 km/h
Price: ¥370,000
1930 mm

Minica
(1962-)




FR: 17 ps
Max. Speed: 86 km/h
Price: ¥390,000
1900 mm

Human-centric approach of designing the cabin first: "Utility Minimum"
The origin of the MM Concept

Requirements


1. Affordable price
2. Easy to drive
3. Sufficient speed and power
4. High-security structure and features
5. Tight and yet comfortable space
6. Modern exterior design

N360 debuted in 1967



Comfortable cabin
Distinctive, sophisticated design

FF: 31 ps
Max. Speed: 115 km/h
Price: ¥313,000




2000 mm!

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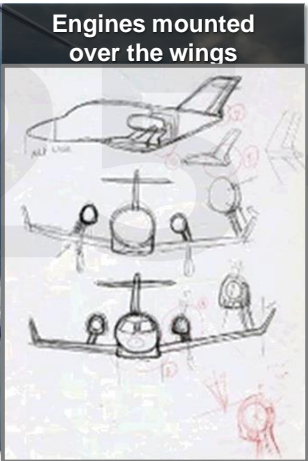
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HondaJet (2017)

The unconventional design of placing the engines over the wings has not only enhanced the range and speed, but achieved the best-in-class cabin comfort

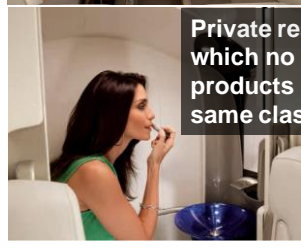


Engines mounted over the wings





Best-in-class cabin



Private restroom, which no other products in the same class offer

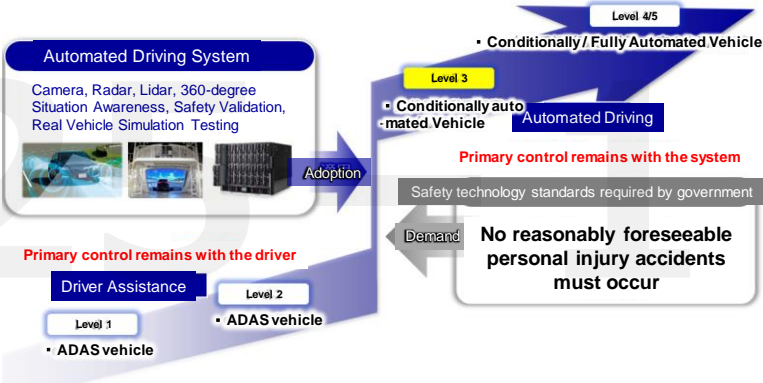
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Honda Legend Featuring Level 3 Automated Driving Technology (2020)

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“Collision-free society,” and “freedom of mobility” beyond that



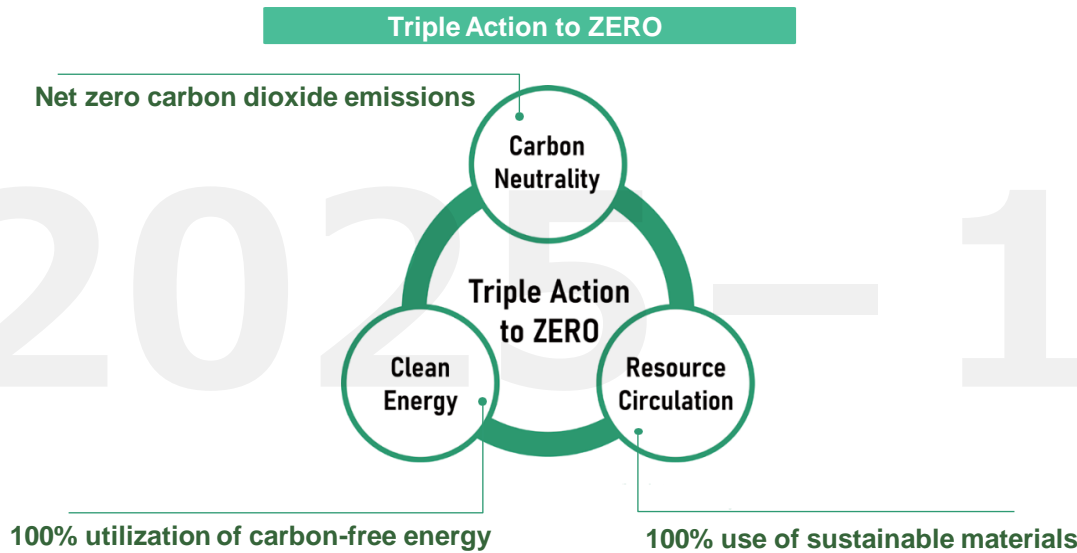
Honda's Initiatives toward Carbon Neutrality

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Carbon Neutrality that Honda Aims to Achieve

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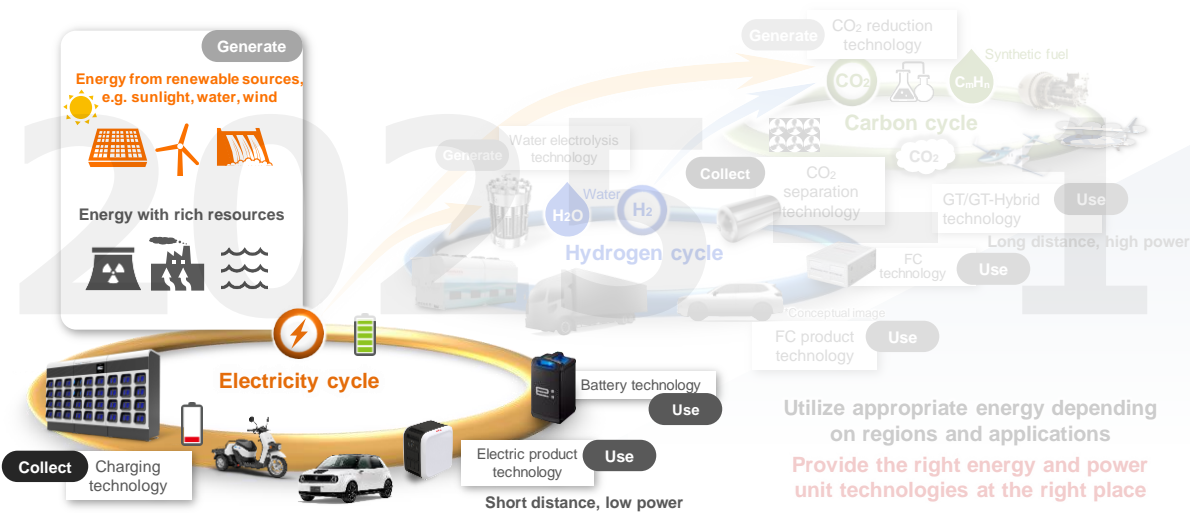


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Multifaceted Approach to Realize Carbon Neutral Society

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Along with renewable electricity,
establish the circular use of hydrogen and carbon as energy carriers



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Honda 0 Concept



Thin, Light, and Wise.



Concept Models




Concept models that represent the Honda 0 Series: Honda 0 SALOON and Honda 0 SUV

Honda 0 SALOON ▼

Honda 0 SUV ▼



Honda 0 “Thin, Light and Wise”



Thin

Augmenting design potential, including styling with a low vehicle height, and realizing excellent aerodynamic performance by utilizing a “thin” dedicated EV platform to create a low floor height.

Light

Realizing sporty driving and electricity efficiency performance that defy the established beliefs people have about EVs through Honda original technologies created by going back to the starting point of Honda as an automaker.

Wise

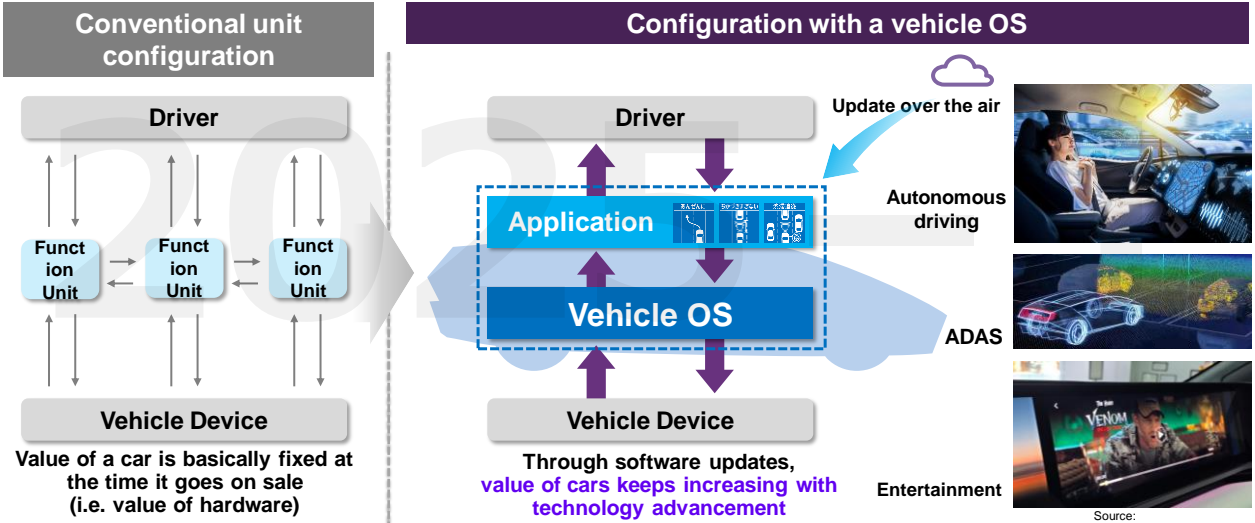
Realizing Honda original software-defined mobility products by leveraging the AD/ADAS, IoT, and connected technologies that fully utilize the knowledge Honda has amassed over the last 75 years of its monozukuri.

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Wise: The World that SDVs Can Create

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SDVs allow valuable functions to be added one after another using software to make the vehicles wiser



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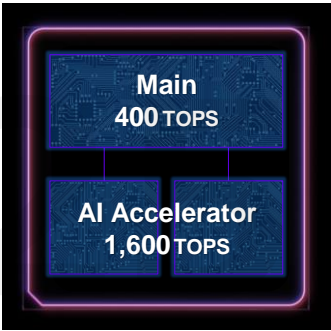
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Wise: Customized SoC

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Honda's unique AI-based SoC aimed to offer new value continuously

AI Accelerator (NPU)
2,000 TOPS
*Sparse
AI algorithm optimization



Power saving
3 nm process node applied
20 TOPS/W

Packaging technology
Integrated packaging enabled by chiplets /
Accelerated processing using UCLE



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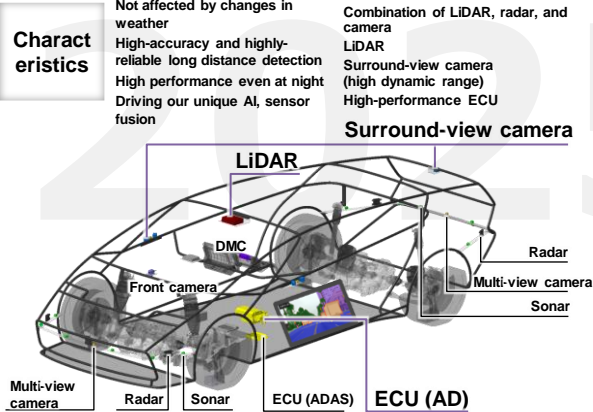
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Wise: Advancement of Self-Driving Technologies

Reliable recognition performance even in complicated situations, without relying on high-accuracy maps

High-accuracy detection sensors

Combination of dissimilar sensors covers larger areas than humans, ensuring all risks will be recognized



Honda's unique AI technology

Concept learning with higher levels of abstraction, unsupervised learning

- Expand the area of service in a short period of time
- Real-time recognition of structures with infinite patterns
- Eyes-off driving possible even in variable environments or on a road the driver has never experienced



Driving behavior model of experienced drivers

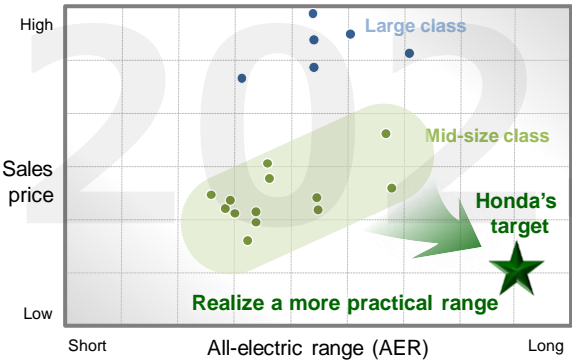
Predicts the behavior of agents like an experienced driver to navigate around obstacles smoothly



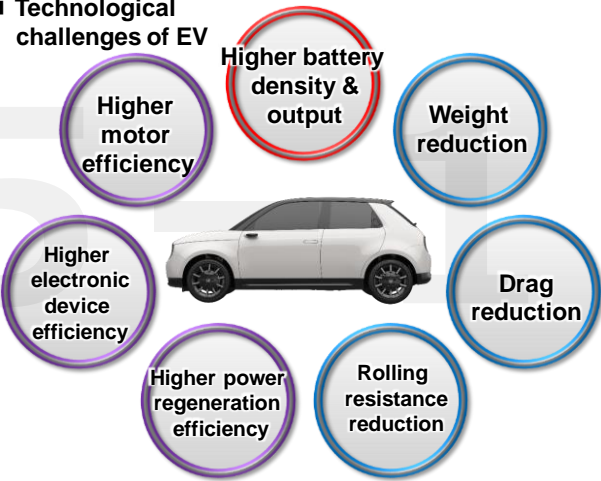
Battery EV that Honda Aims for

To popularize EVs without burden on customers, we aim to realize EVs far superior to ICE from AER and sales price perspectives

Honda's desired EV



Technological challenges of EV

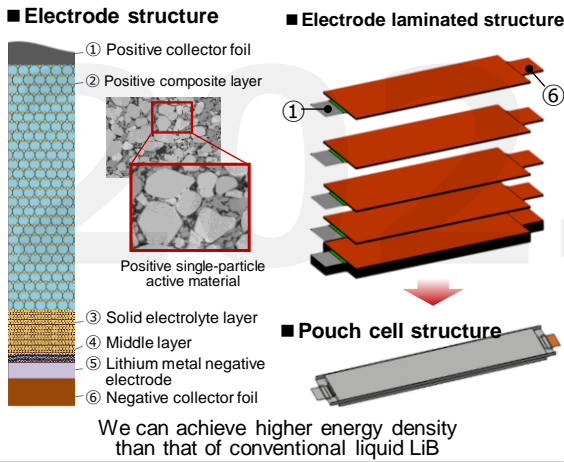


Honda's All-Solid-State Battery Development

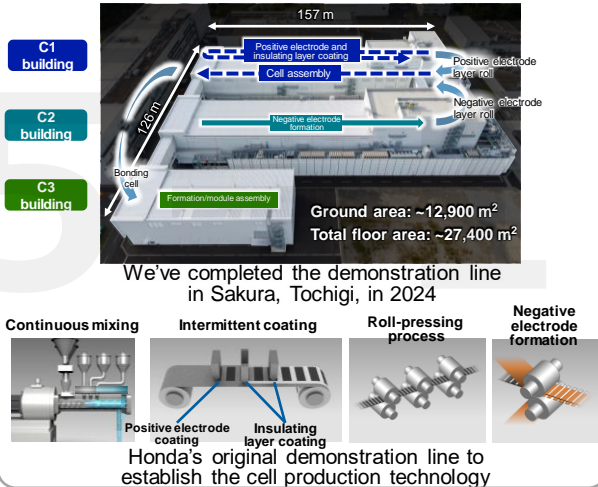
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Development of innovative battery with high energy density

Cell specification development



Production process development



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Honda's All-Solid-State Battery Development

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Characteristics of All-Solid-State Batteries

“Solid” electrolyte

More stable, thus safer, than liquid electrolytes

High energy density

High-capacity materials can be used

Aim and Potential

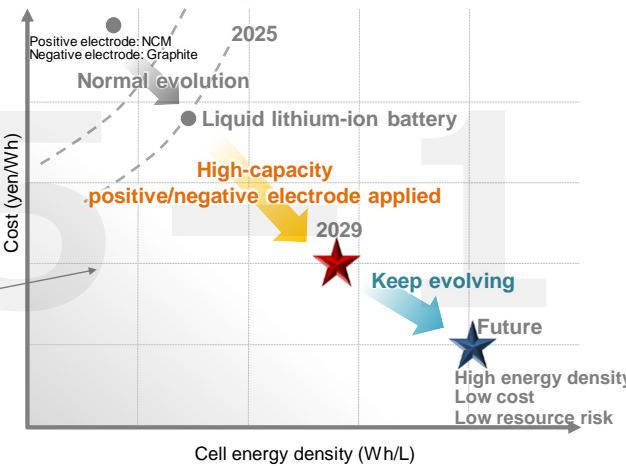
(Compared to conventional liquid LiB)



	Late 2020s	By 2040s
Range	2 x (e.g. 500 km → 1000 km)	More than 2.5 x (500 km → 1250 km or more)
Battery size	-50%	-60%
Battery weight	-35%	-45%
Battery cost	-25%	-40%

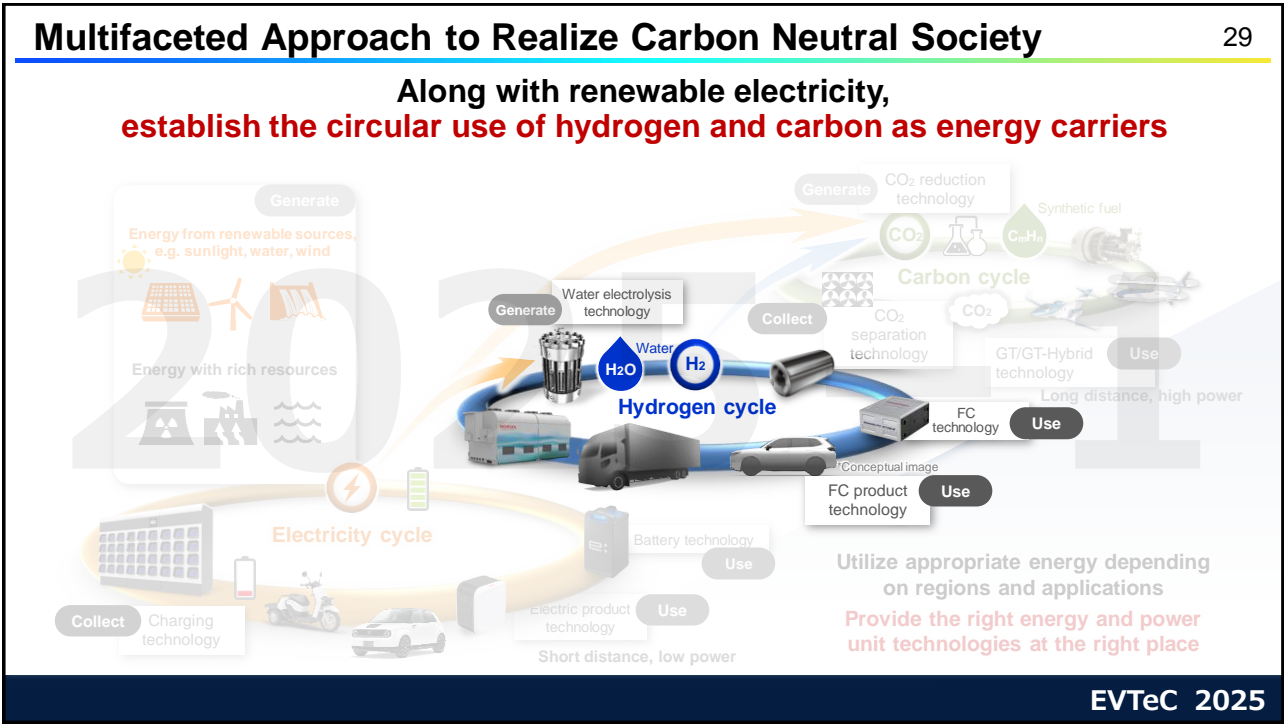
By leveraging solid electrolytes, we will enhance the flexibility in positive/negative electrode selections with an aim to avoid resource risks and continue to improve energy density and cost.

Roadmap of all-solid-state battery evolution taking advantage of the flexibility of solid electrolytes in positive/negative electrode selections

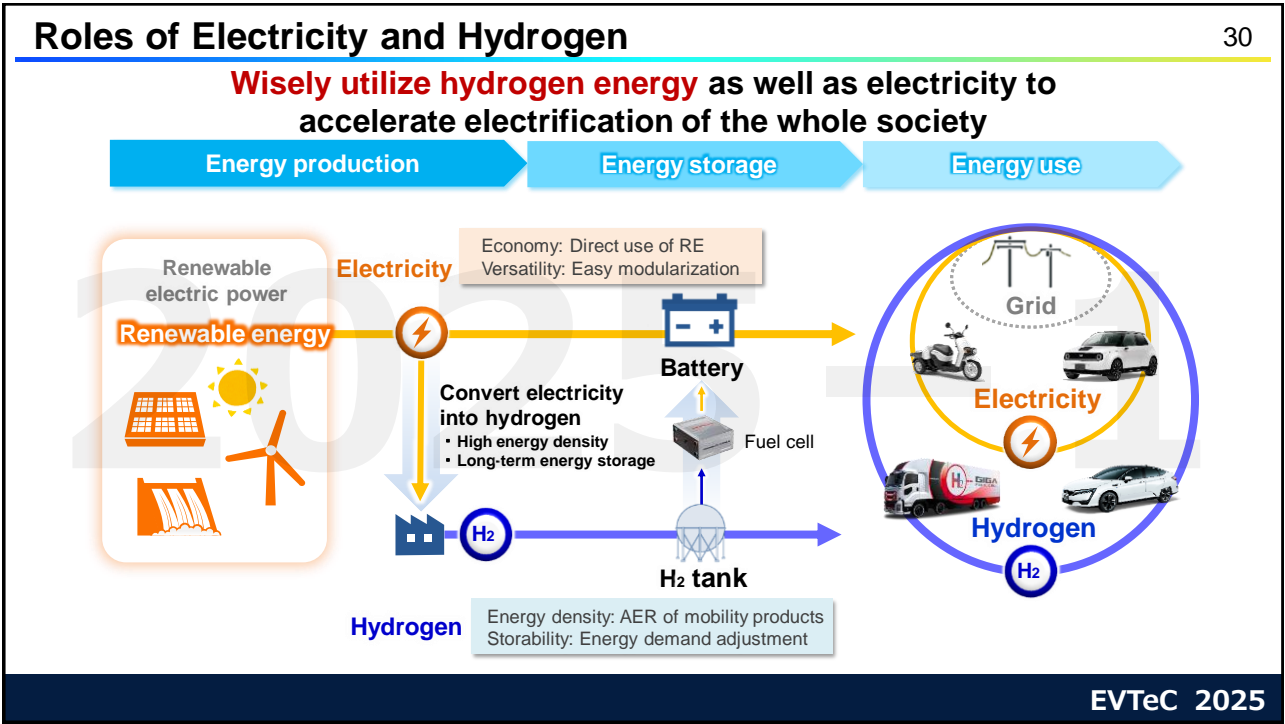


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3rd-Generation Fuel Cell System

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Mass production to start at our new domestic plant in 2027

Developed by Honda



3rd-gen fuel cell system

Rated output: 150 kW

■ Generational evolution of our fuel cell system

Cost

Less than 1/3

Less than 1/2

Previous2nd gen3rd gen

Lower cost

Durability

More than 2 x

More than 2 x

Previous2nd gen3rd gen

Higher durability

Volume output density

More than 3 x

More than 3 x

2nd gen3rd gen

More compact

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Wider Applications of FC Technology and Widespread Use of Hydrogen


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We'll provide clean mobility and reliable energy by using our core FC technology for various applications and expanding the use of hydrogen

Next-generation fuel cell system




Hydrogen




Favorable zone for hydrogen & FC

Stationary power source




Demonstration of stationary power source started at American Honda in March, 2023


Construction machinery




Commercial-use vehicle



CRV e:FCEV



Electricity



Favorable zone for batteries

Joint research with Isuzu Motors; Tests on public roads started in Dec, 2023

Honda will contribute to electrification of mobility products and generators that is hard to achieve with batteries

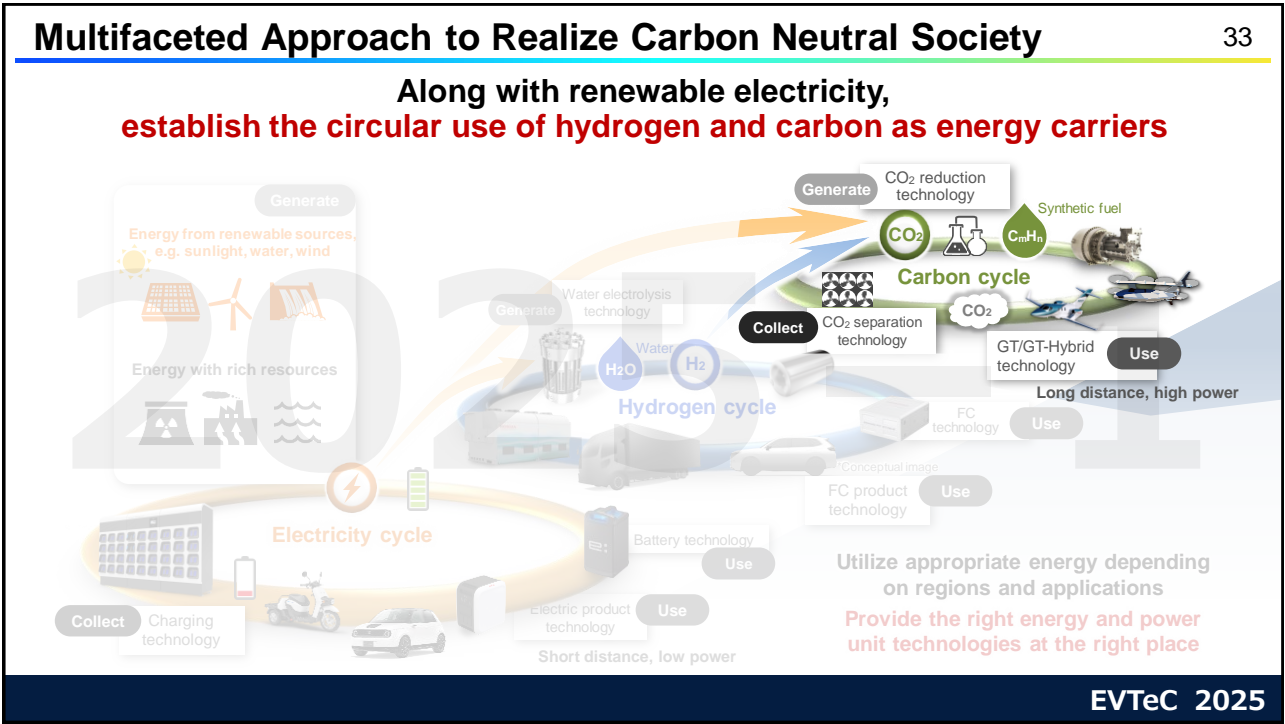
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Energy capacity

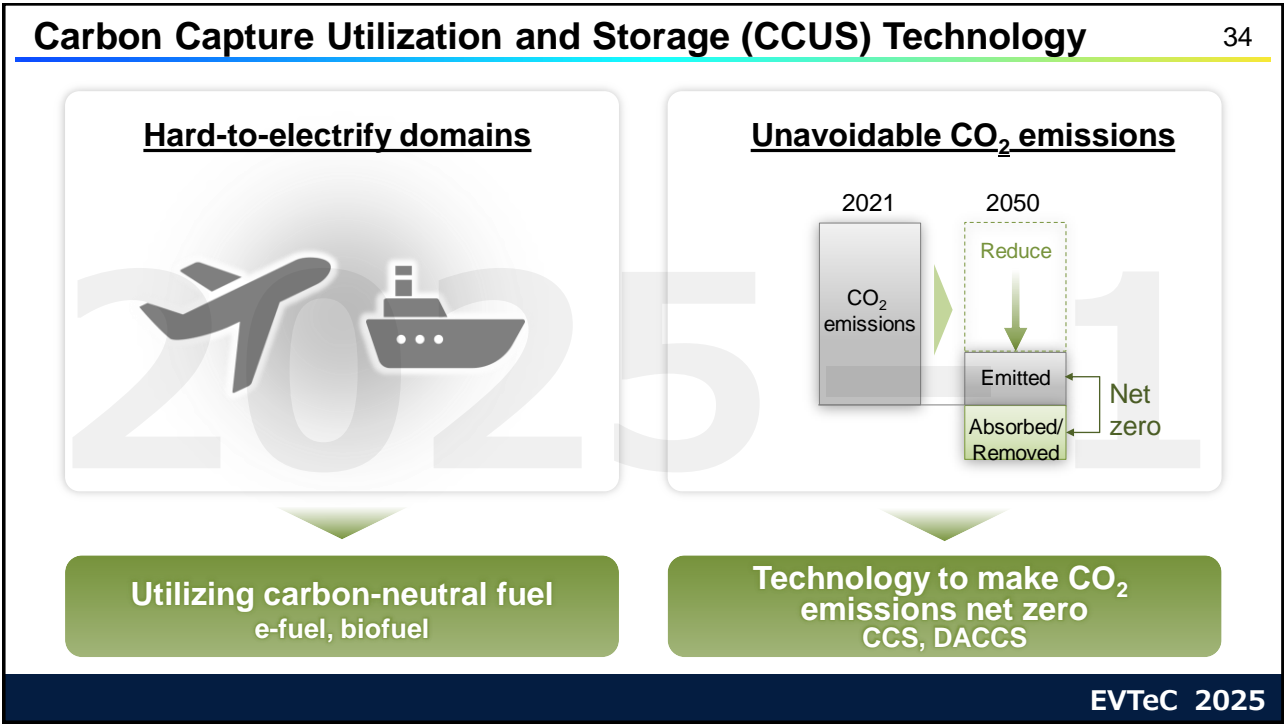
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Honda R&D



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Direct Air Capture (DAC) + e-fuel Technology

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We're working on the technology for capturing CO₂ from the air and synthesizing carbon-neutral fuel

■ e-fuel production process

DAC system

e-fuel synthesis process

CO₂

H₂

CO₂

e-fuel

DAC test module

Contains CO₂ adsorption material

CO₂

0.04%

More than 95%

Enrich CO₂ by specifically absorbing/desorbing it

e-fuel synthesis testing equipment

CO₂

H₂

Synthesis testing equipment (FT synthesis)

Catalyst

e-fuel

Use catalysts to produce e-fuel out of hydrogen and CO₂

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Conclusion

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We're always "human-centric"
to be of service to "people"

Robotics

Level 3 self-driving

F1

eVTOL

Hydrogen technology

AI integration

ChatGPT

Semiconductor

Renewable energy

Decoupling

New rules

Electrification

Blockchain

MaaS

MaaS

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