



The Future of Energy

A view from the finance world

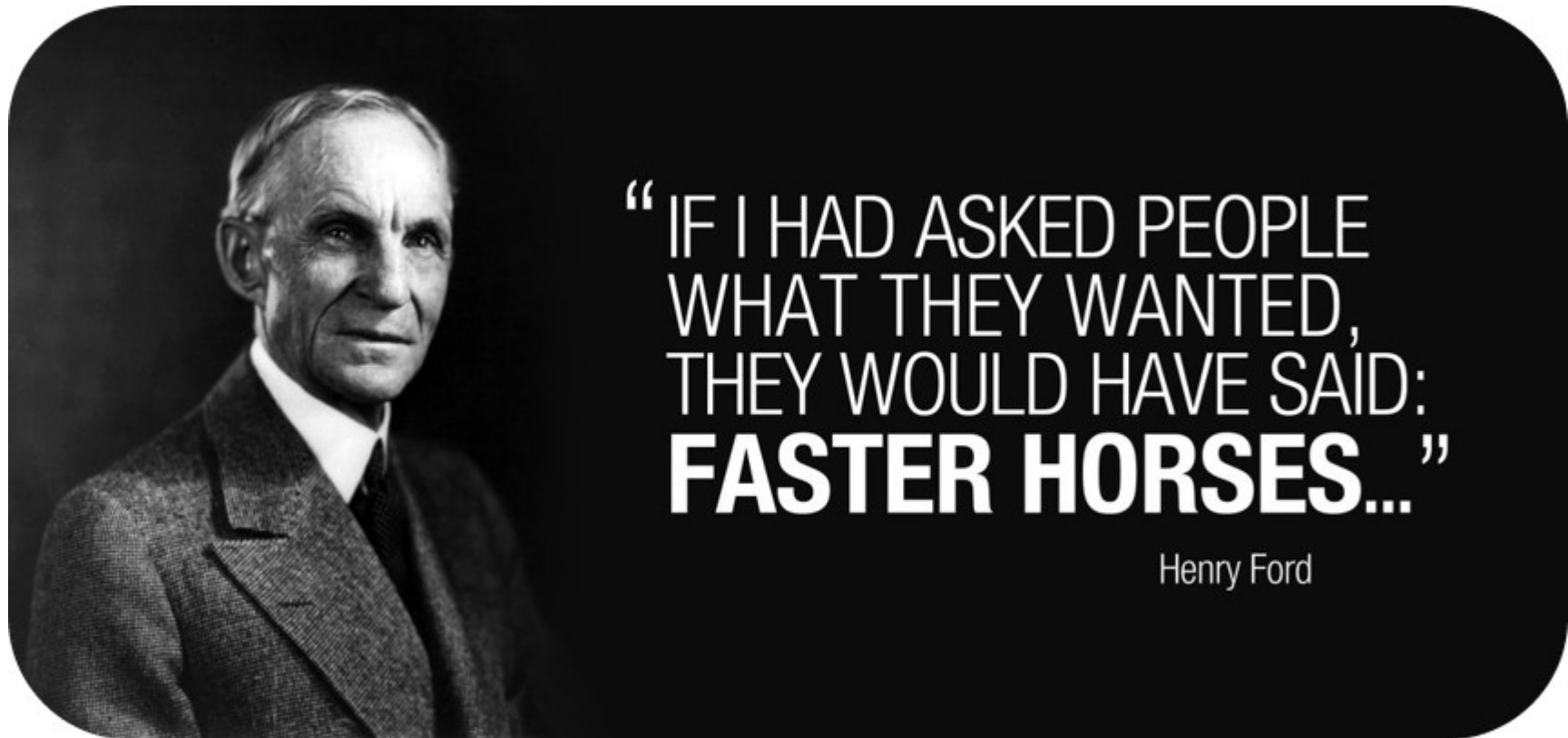
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A REVOLUTION IN HOW WE CONSUME AND PRODUCE ENERGY IS UNDERWAY





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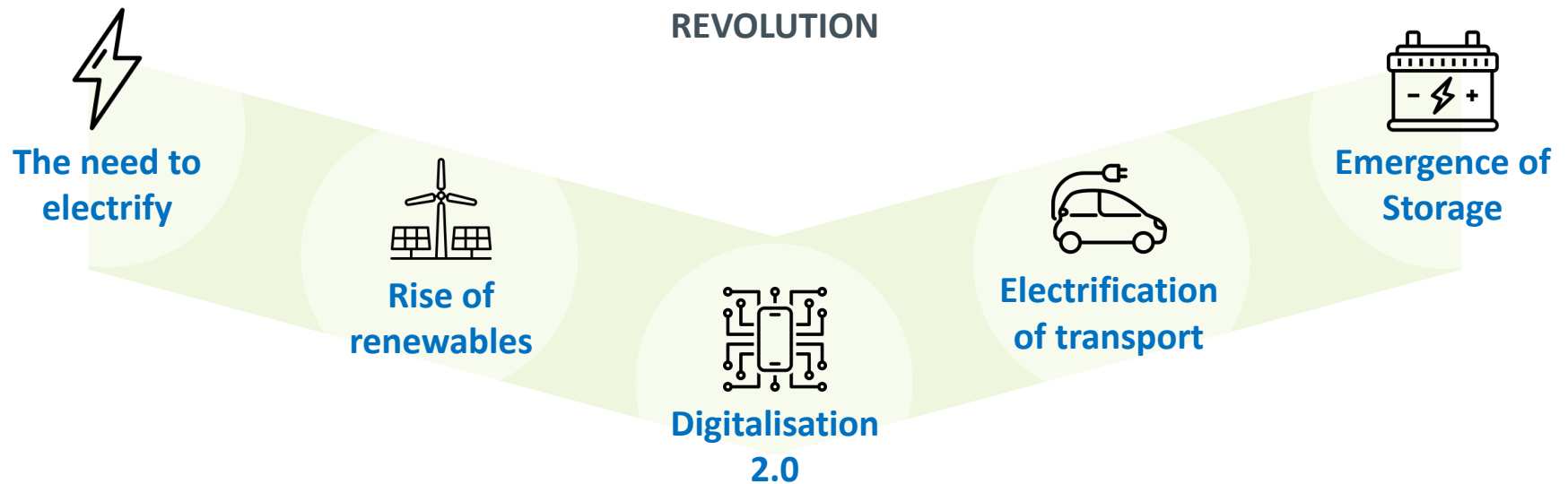
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FIVE FACTORS WILL DRIVE US TO A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

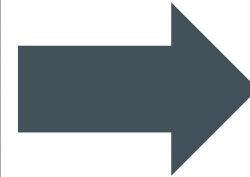
DRIVERS OF THE ENERGY REVOLUTION



A ZERO-CARBON, SUSTAINABLE PLANET

Electricity

ELECTRICITY IS BECOMING THE WORLD'S MOST **IMPORTANT ENERGY SOURCE**



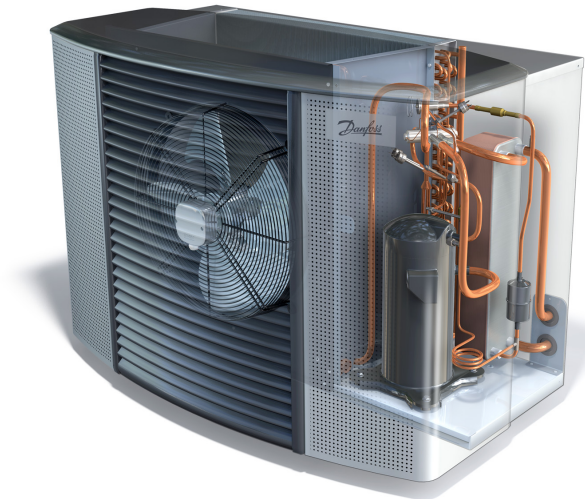
Electricity

DRIVER #1: IT ALREADY IS AS OUR **DIGITAL WORLD CAN NOT SURVIVE WITHOUT ELECTRICITY!**



Electricity

DRIVER #2: **TECHNOLOGY CHANGE AND ECONOMICS** WILL PUSH US TO ELECTRIFY TRANSPORT, HEAT AND HEAVY INDUSTRY

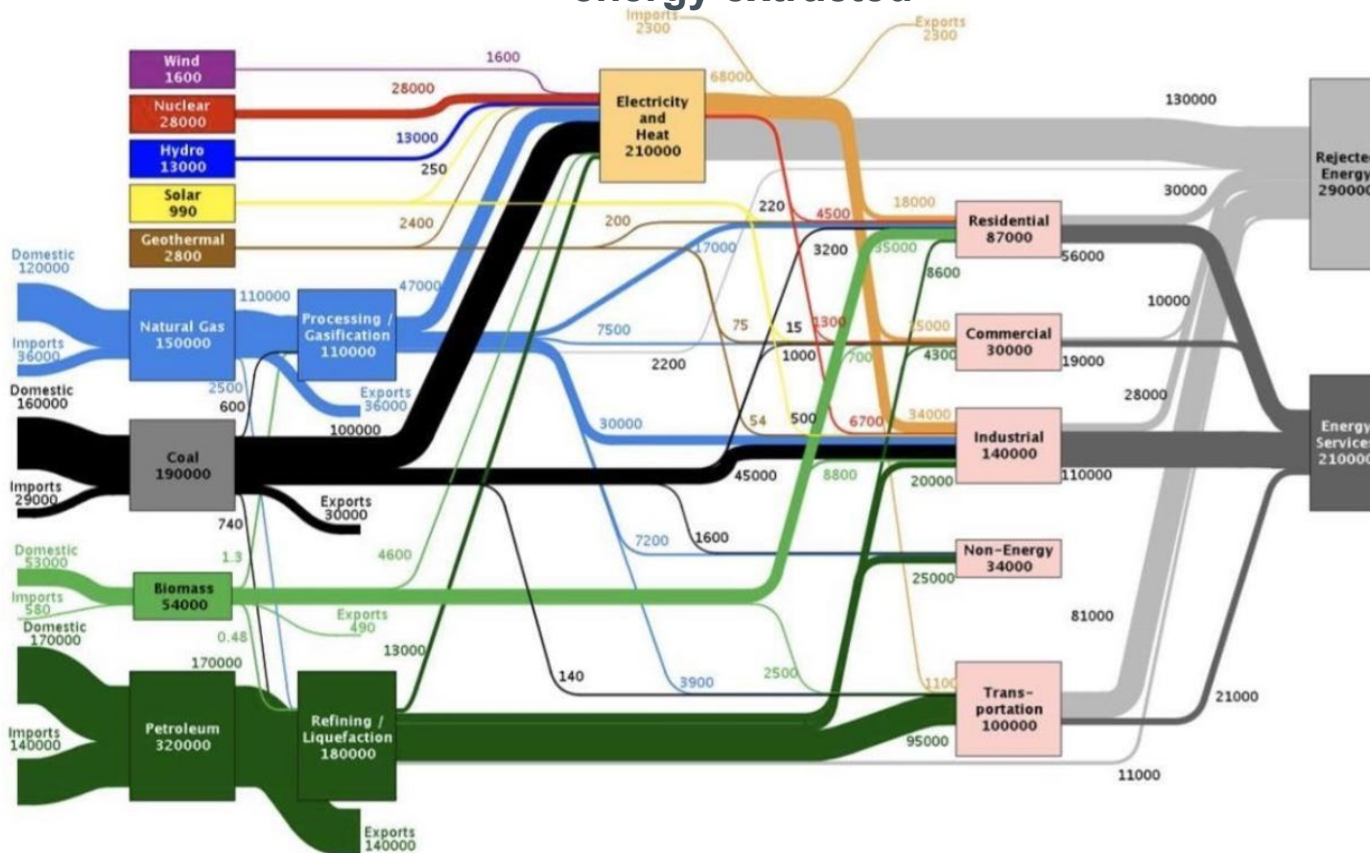


Electricity

DRIVER #3: ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO LOWER CO₂ EMISSIONS IS TO **REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION THROUGH ELECTRIFICATION**



Our Energy System is highly inefficient, wasting 60% of the energy extracted



Diesel



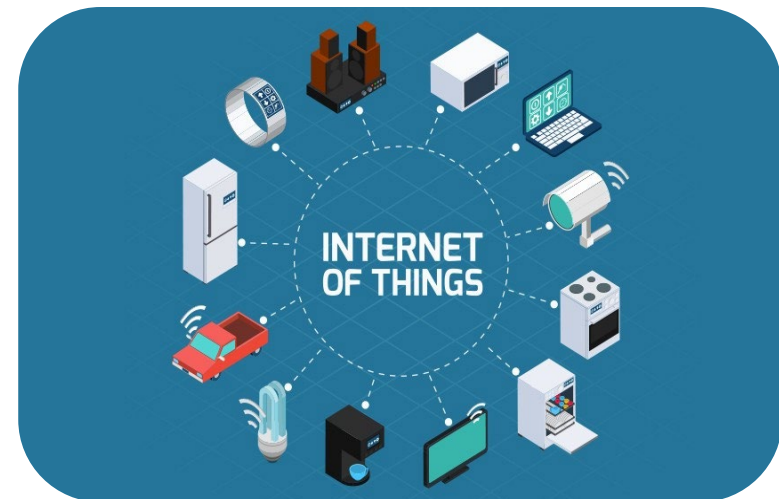
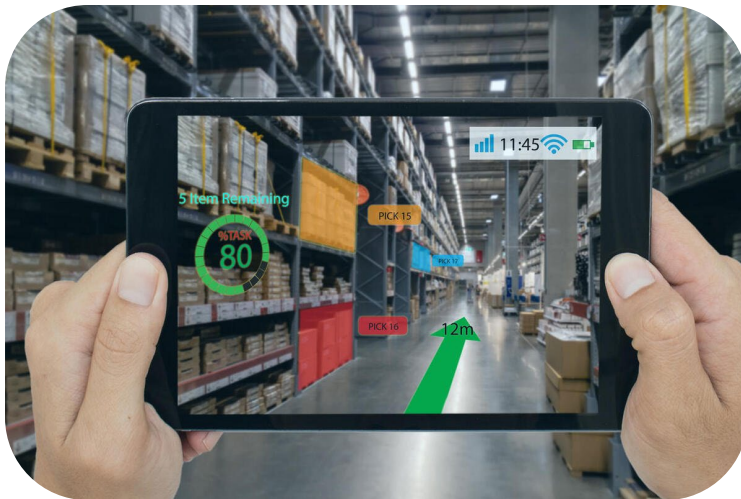
45 kWh / 100 km

EV



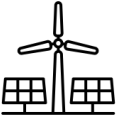
15 kWh / 100 km

DRIVER #4: OUR FUTURE **DIGITAL WORLD NEEDS MORE ELECTRICITY!**



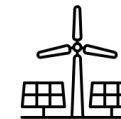
Renewables

RENEWABLES TECHNOLOGY **WILL DOMINATE THE GLOBAL CAPACITY MIX** OVER THE COMING DECADES

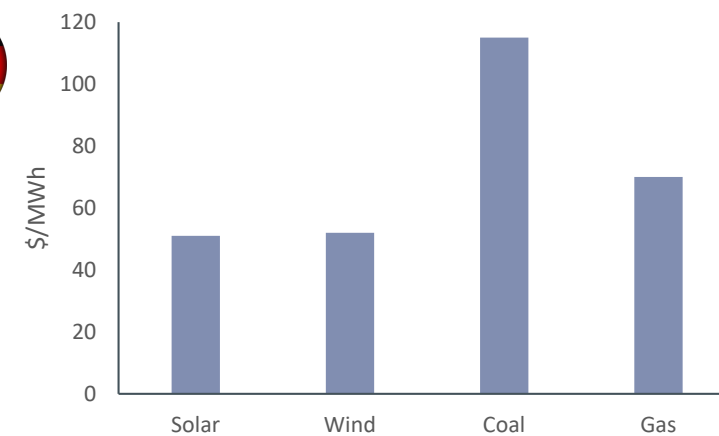
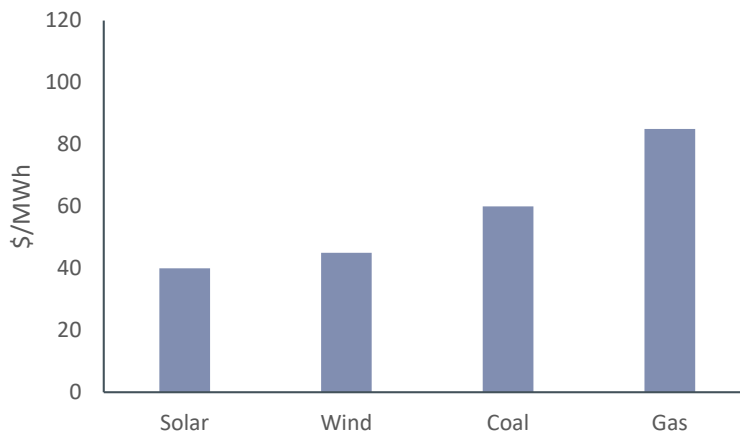
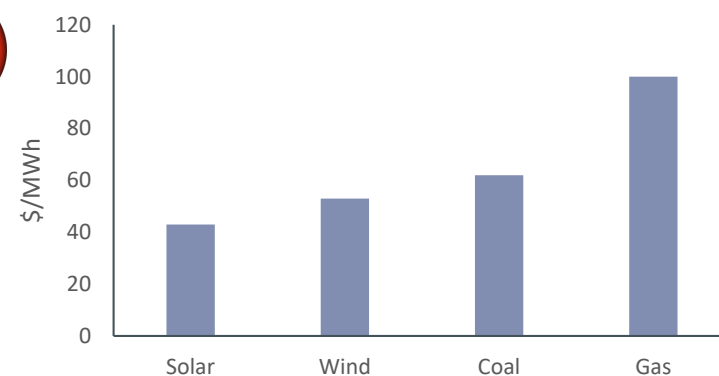
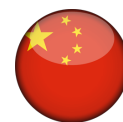
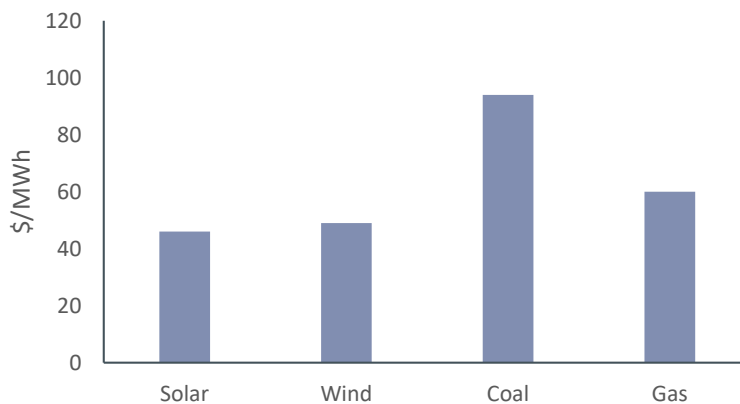


Renewables

DRIVER #1: LOW COST RENEWABLES...

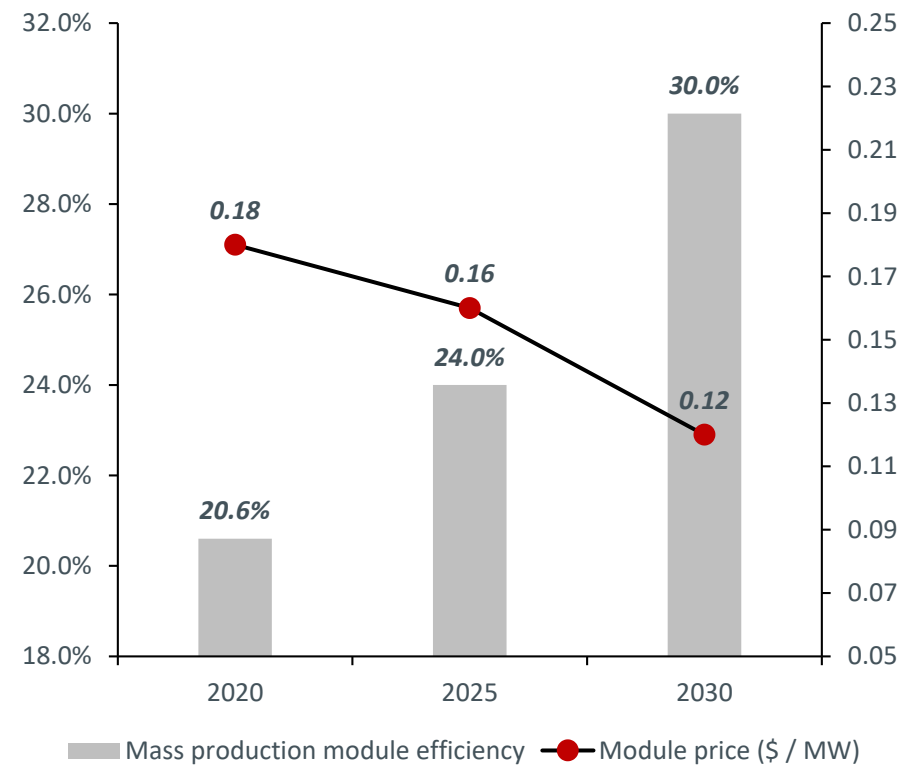


LCOE by technology in different markets



Renewables

DRIVER #2: WE WILL SEE **FURTHER COST REDUCTIONS** IN RENEWABLES AND IN PARTICULAR SOLAR WE WILL AS PERFORMANCE INCREASES



DRIVER #3: IT IS MUCH **EASIER AND CHEAPER TO DECARBONISE ELECTRICITY** THAN HYDROCARBON FUELS...

Decarbonising heat is:



Expensive

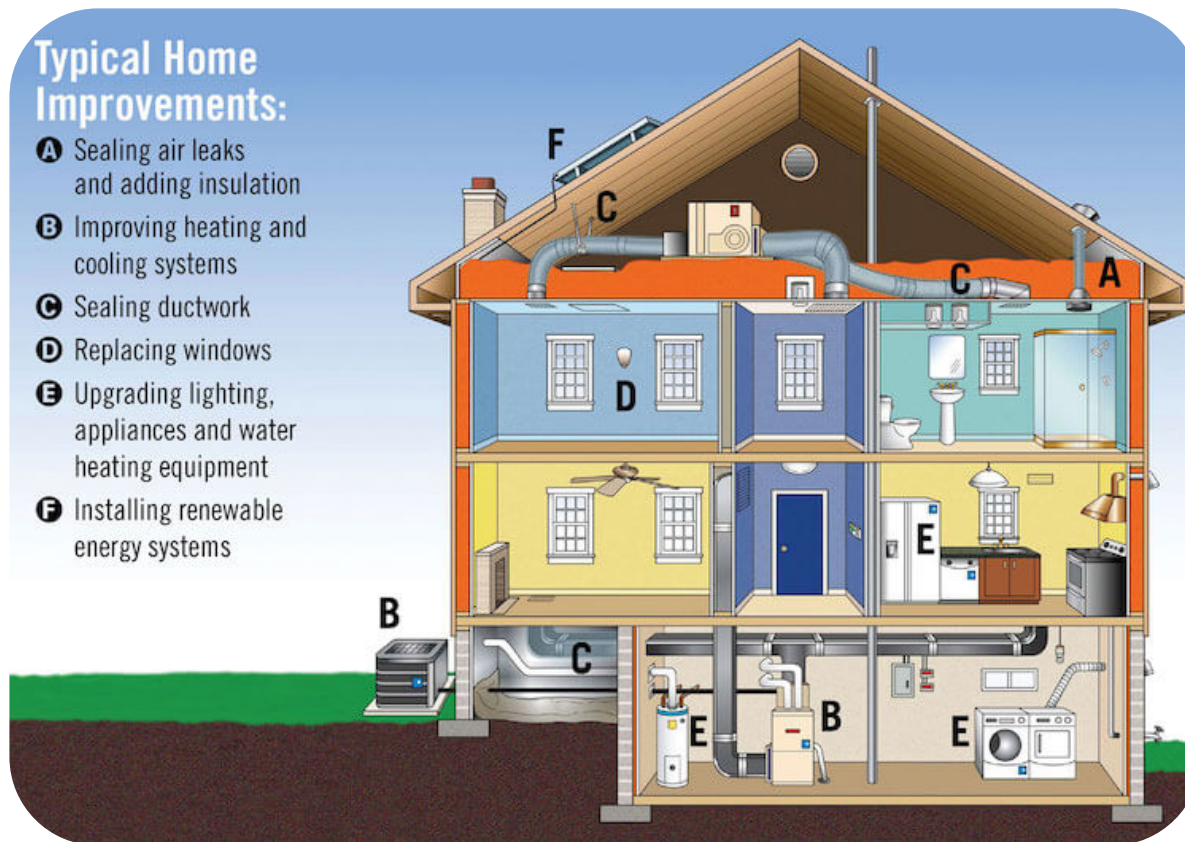
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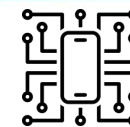
Disruptive

Typical Home Improvements:

- A** Sealing air leaks and adding insulation
- B** Improving heating and cooling systems
- C** Sealing ductwork
- D** Replacing windows
- E** Upgrading lighting, appliances and water heating equipment
- F** Installing renewable energy systems

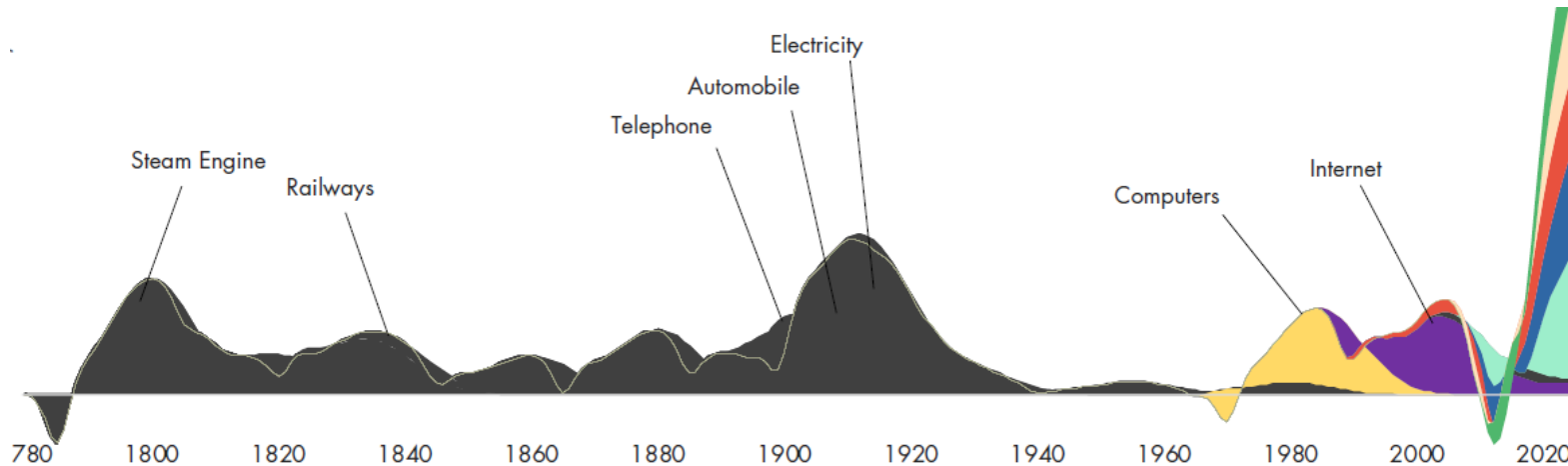


DIGITALISATION 2.0 IS **THE KEY TECHNOLOGY DISRUPTOR** OF THE NEXT DECADE, AND WILL TRANSFORM THE WAY WE THINK ABOUT ENERGY & MOBILITY



Digitalisation 2.0

Impact of Big Technology Shifts on Economic Development



Cloud
computing



IoT



Big Data



AI



5G

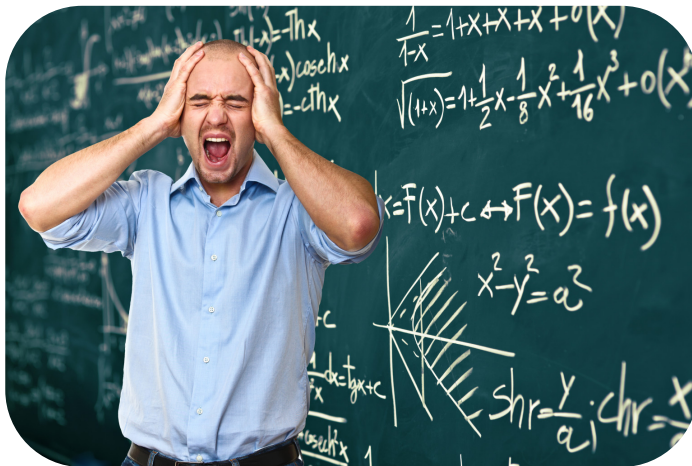
DRIVER #1: ECONOMICS



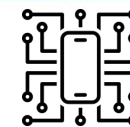
BIG DATA



DRIVER #2: EASE OF USE



DRIVER #3: COVID-19 IS ACCELERATING THE DIGITAL TRANSITION



iOS Top App Charts [About this report](#)

Device: iPad Country/Region: Germany Category: Overall In-App Purchase: All Apps

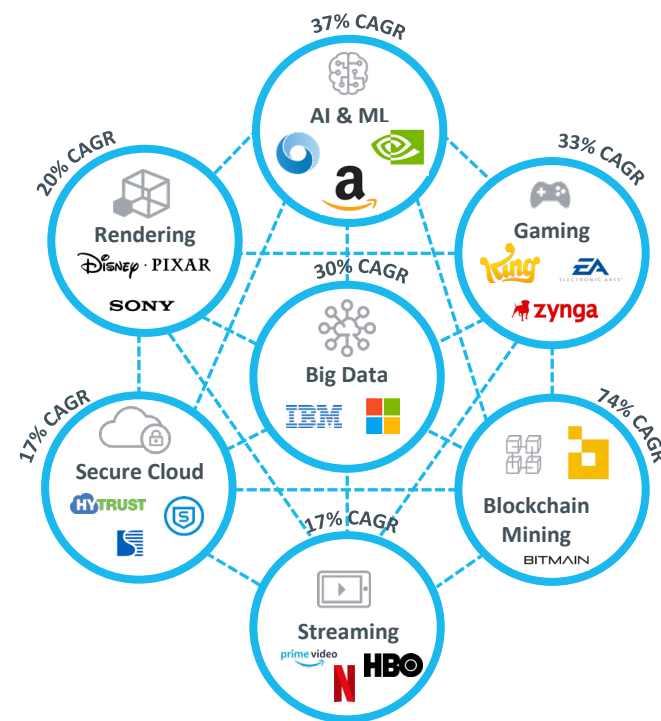
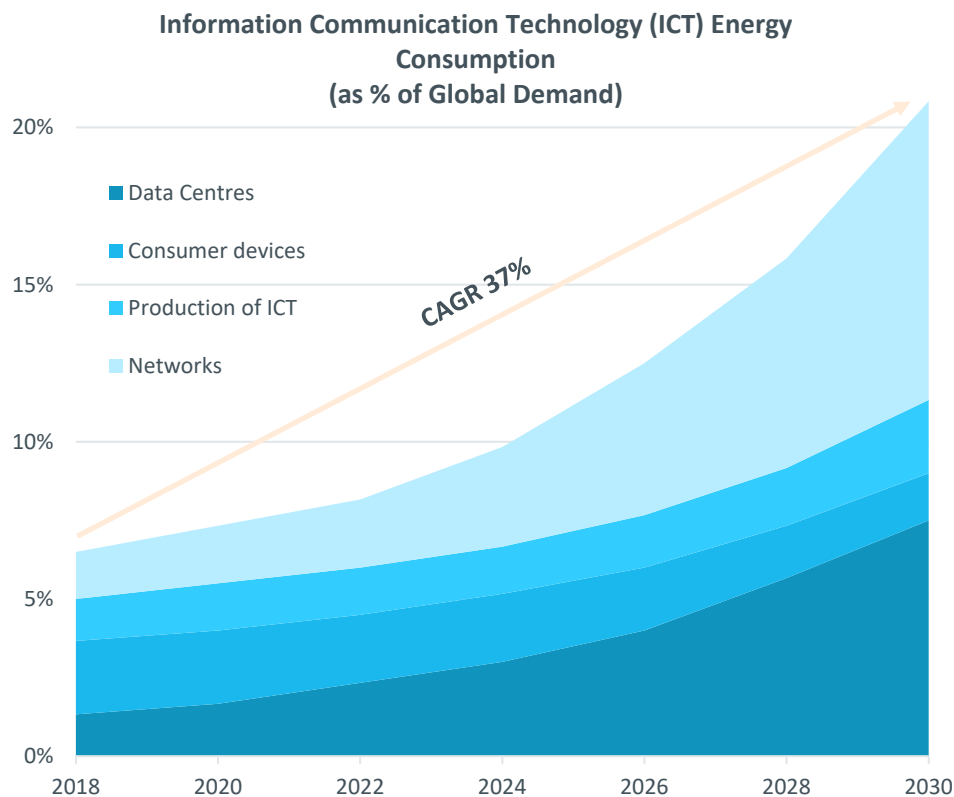
All Paid Free Grossing

Germany - Overall 11:00pm UTC+2 (Apr 27, 2020 2:00pm UTC+3)

#	App	Free Rank	Grossing Rank	Category
1	ZOOM Cloud Meetings Zoom Video Communications	1 =	500+ =	Business
2	Microsoft Teams Microsoft	2 ▲ 1	500+ =	Business
3	Skype for iPad Skype	3 ▼ 1	262 ▲ 63	Social Networking
4	Jitsi Meet Bx8	4 ▲ 1	500+ =	Social Networking
5	Cisco Webex Meetings Cisco	5 ▲ 10	500+ =	Business
6	ANTON: Lern-App Grundschule ANTON - Lernen	6 =	86 ▲ 32	Education
7	Microsoft Word Microsoft	7 ▲ 4	17 ▲ 3	Productivity
8	Disney+ Disney	8 ▼ 4	25 ▼ 3	Entertainment
9	Google Chrome Google	9 ▲ 7	500+ =	Utilities
10	Messaging for WhatsApp on iPad Burak Acemoglu	10 ▼ 3	500+ =	Social Networking
11	Microsoft Outlook Microsoft	11 ▲ 1	500+ =	Productivity
12	GoToMeeting LogMeIn	12 ▲ 33	500+ =	Business
13	Microsoft PowerPoint Microsoft	13 ▲ 6	100 ▲ 33	Productivity
14	YouTube: Watch, Listen, Stream Google	14 ▼ 4	28 ▼ 4	Photo and Video
15	Netflix Netflix	15 ▼ 6	1 ▲ 1	Entertainment
16	Messenger for WhatsApp Web Henrique Veloso	16 ▼ 2	243 ▼ 17	Social Networking
17	Microsoft OneNote Microsoft	17 ▲ 11	500+ =	Productivity



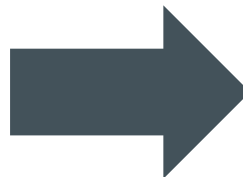
DRIVER #4: **BIG TECH POWER DEMAND** WILL CONSUME 21% OF TOTAL ENERGY BY 2030



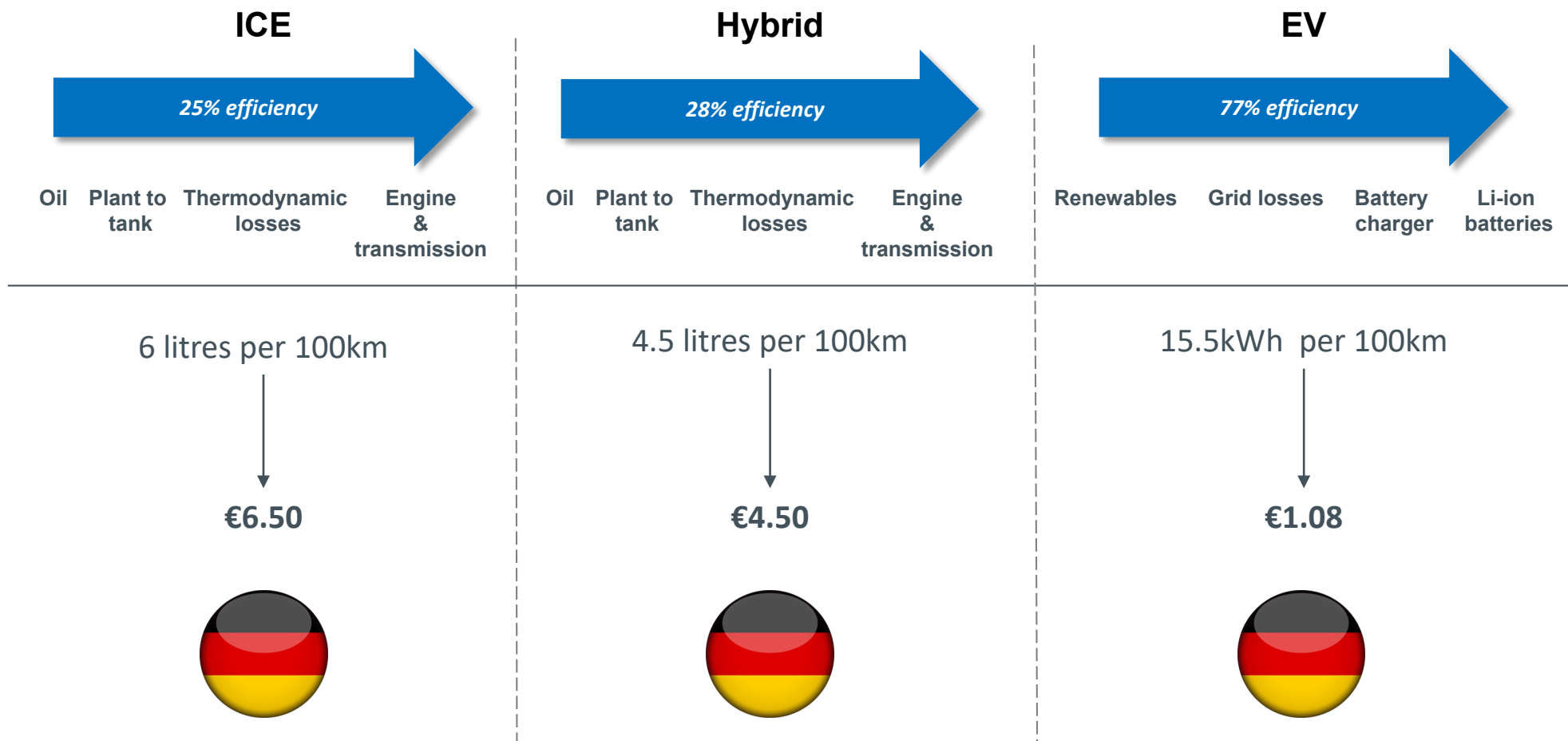
Global data center market size projections appear conservative, since forecast growth rates for Big Data applications are significantly higher.

EVs

THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR IS ELECTRIFYING

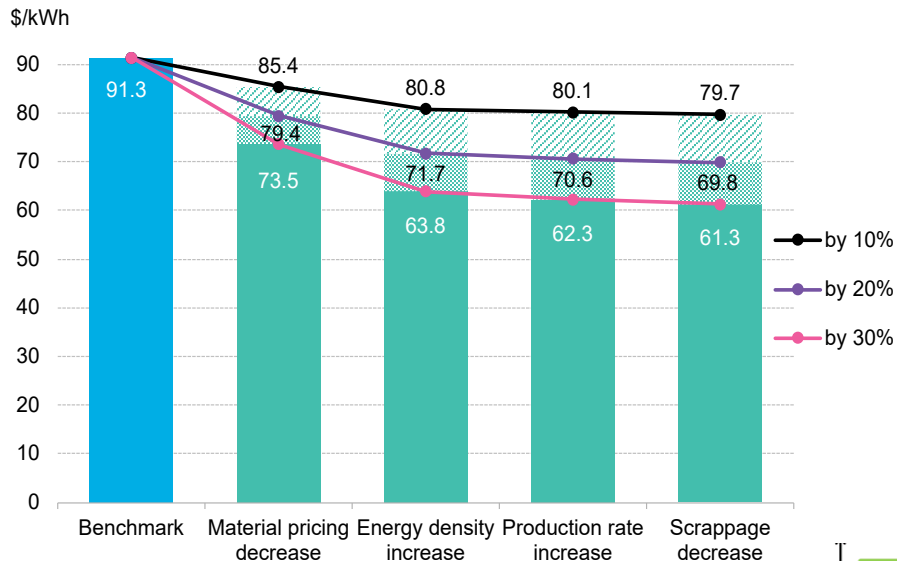


DRIVER #1: PHYSICS AND ECONOMICS ARE DRIVING **AUTOMOBILES** TOWARDS AN ELECTRIC FUTURE

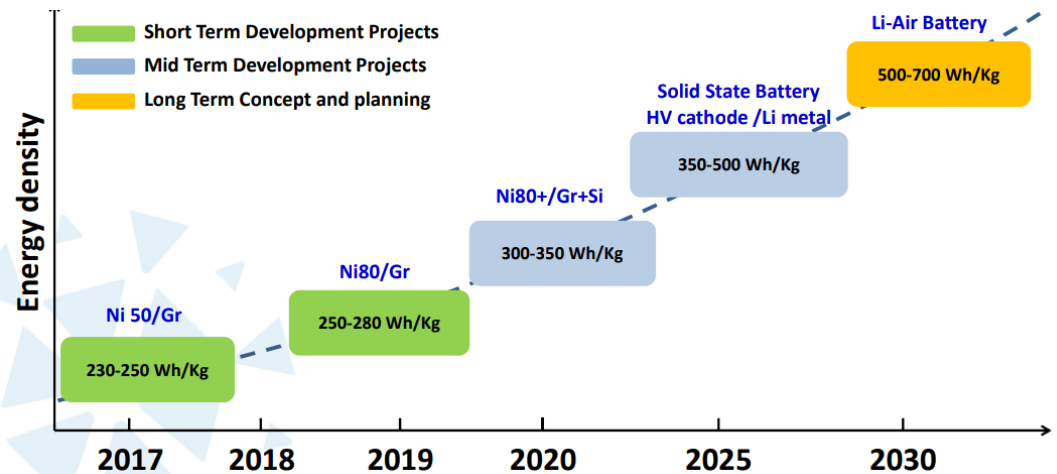


EVs

DRIVER #2: BATTERY CELL COSTS ARE GOING TO FALL FURTHER IN THE NEXT YEARS AND PERFORMANCE AND LIFETIME IS GOING TO IMPROVE



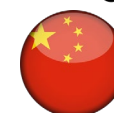
1000+km range EVs are in sight!



Source: BNEF & CATL

EVs

DRIVER #3: **AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS** ARE UNDER PRESSURE TO IMPROVE FUEL EFFICIENCY AND REDUCE EMISSIONS



	TCO advantage to drive widespread adoption	✓	✓	✓
	Depends on the evolution of fuel & battery prices, taxes, incentives	✓	✗	✗
	Increasing offer of desirable EVs in premium segments	✓	✗	✗
	Tightening regulations & CO2 fleet emissions targets	✓	✓	✓
	City level emissions regulations & restrictions	✓	✓	✓
	ICE registration bans	✗	✓	✗
	Incentives and tax advantages are present but declining	✗	✓	✓
	xEV adoption will follow announced targets for NEV and FH/MH	✗	✗	✓

EVs

DRIVER #4: EVS ARE **EXCITING TO DRIVE!**



Tesla Model 3 S

0-100kmh = 3.2sec!

VW ID3

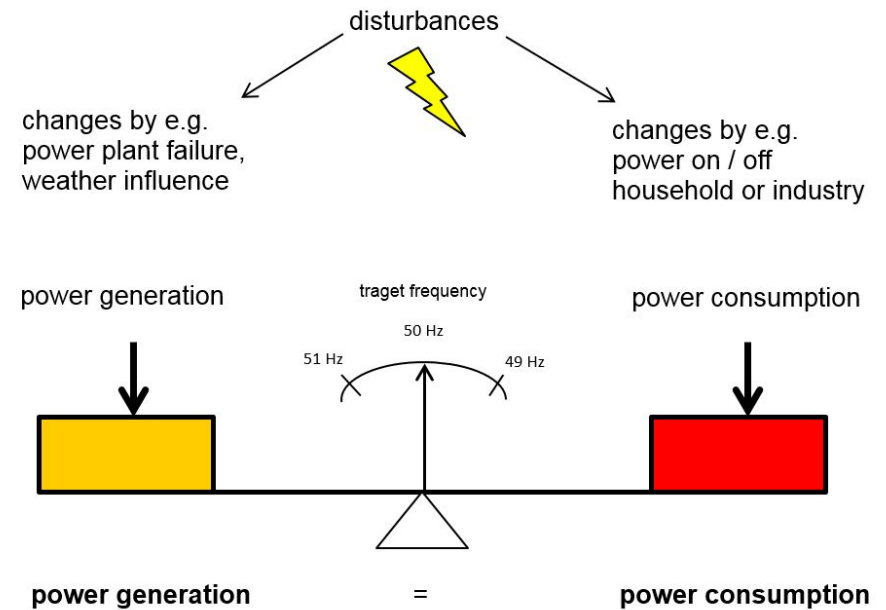
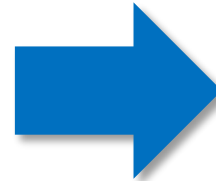
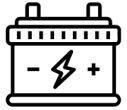
0-100kmh = 7sec!



Storage

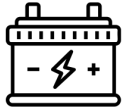
WE ARE GOING TO SEE ENERGY STORAGE EVERYWHERE

FOSSIL FUELS ARE EASY TO STORE WHILE ELECTRICITY IS NOT...

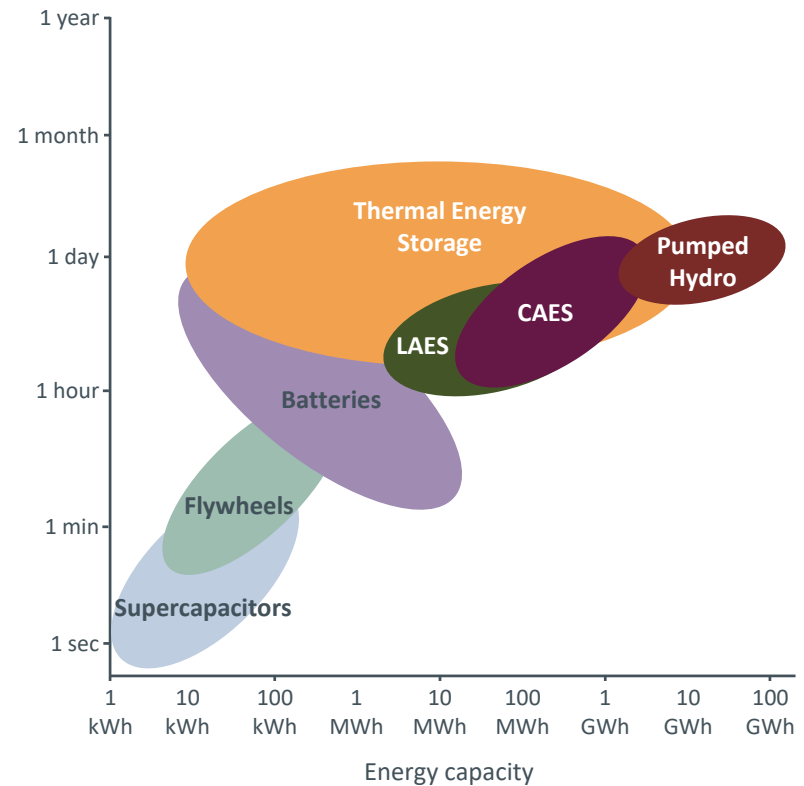
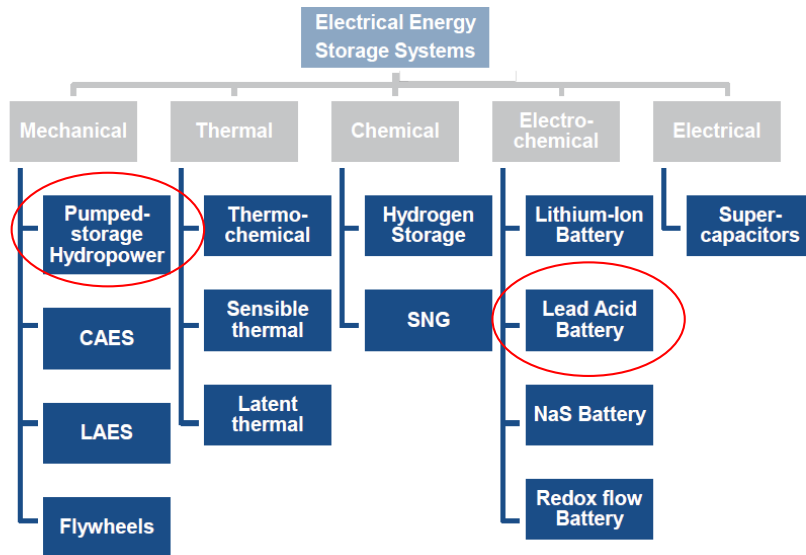


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DRIVER #1: THERE ARE LOTS OF **ELECTRICAL STORAGE TECHNOLOGIES ALREADY**, AND THESE NEED TO BE USED DIFFERENTLY

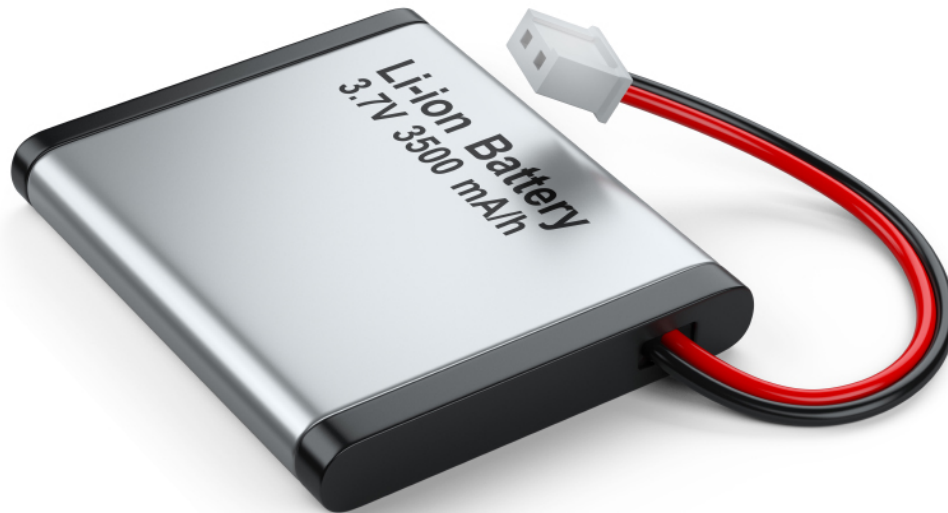
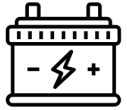


TWO TECHNOLOGIES HAVE DOMINATED THE LAST 100 YEARS: PUMPED HYDRO & LEAD ACID

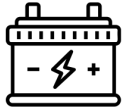


DRIVER #2: LITHIUM ION BATTERIES ARE ALREADY EVERYWHERE!

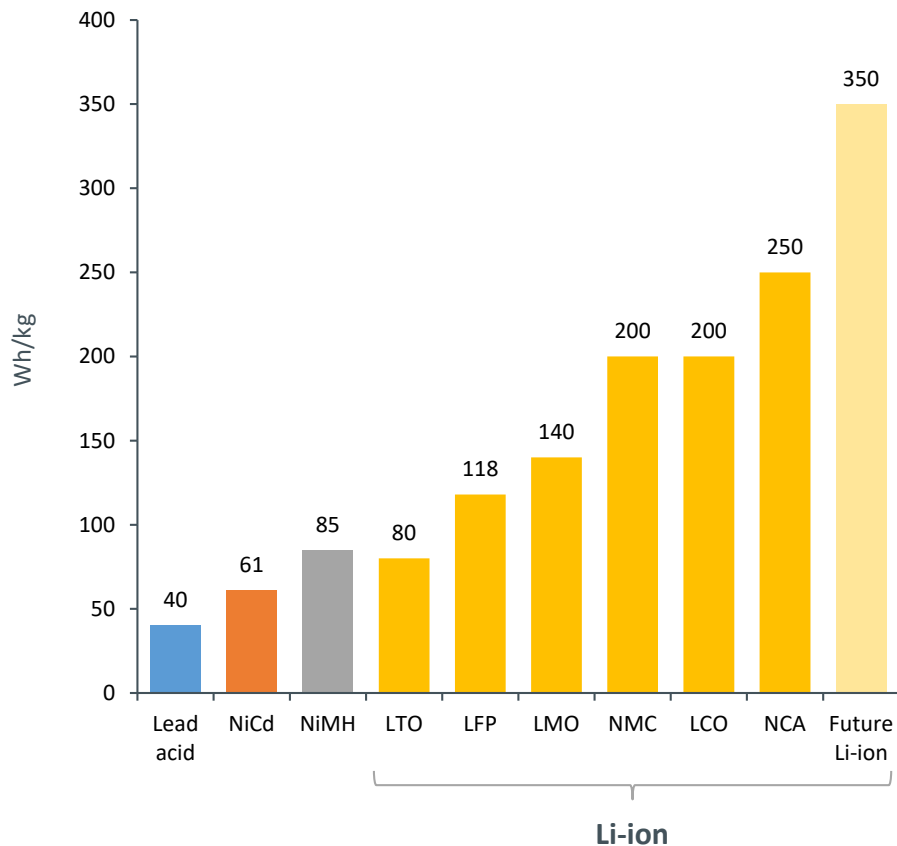
I COUNTED 150 IN MY HOME...



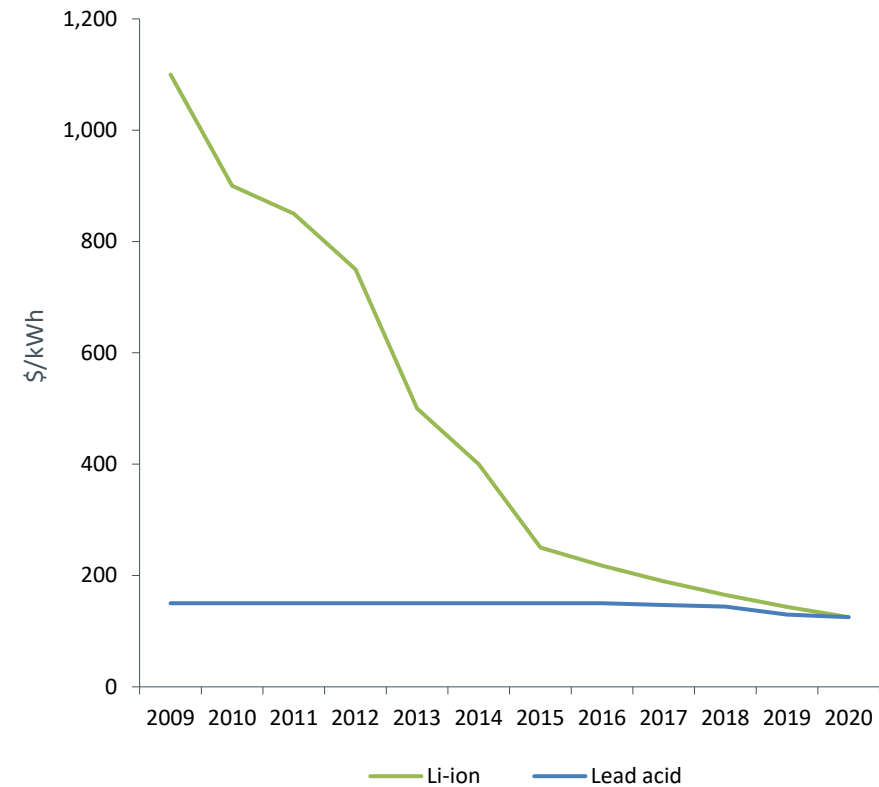
DRIVER #3: LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES IS TAKING OVER FROM LEAD ACID BATTERIES



Energy Density of Different Batteries



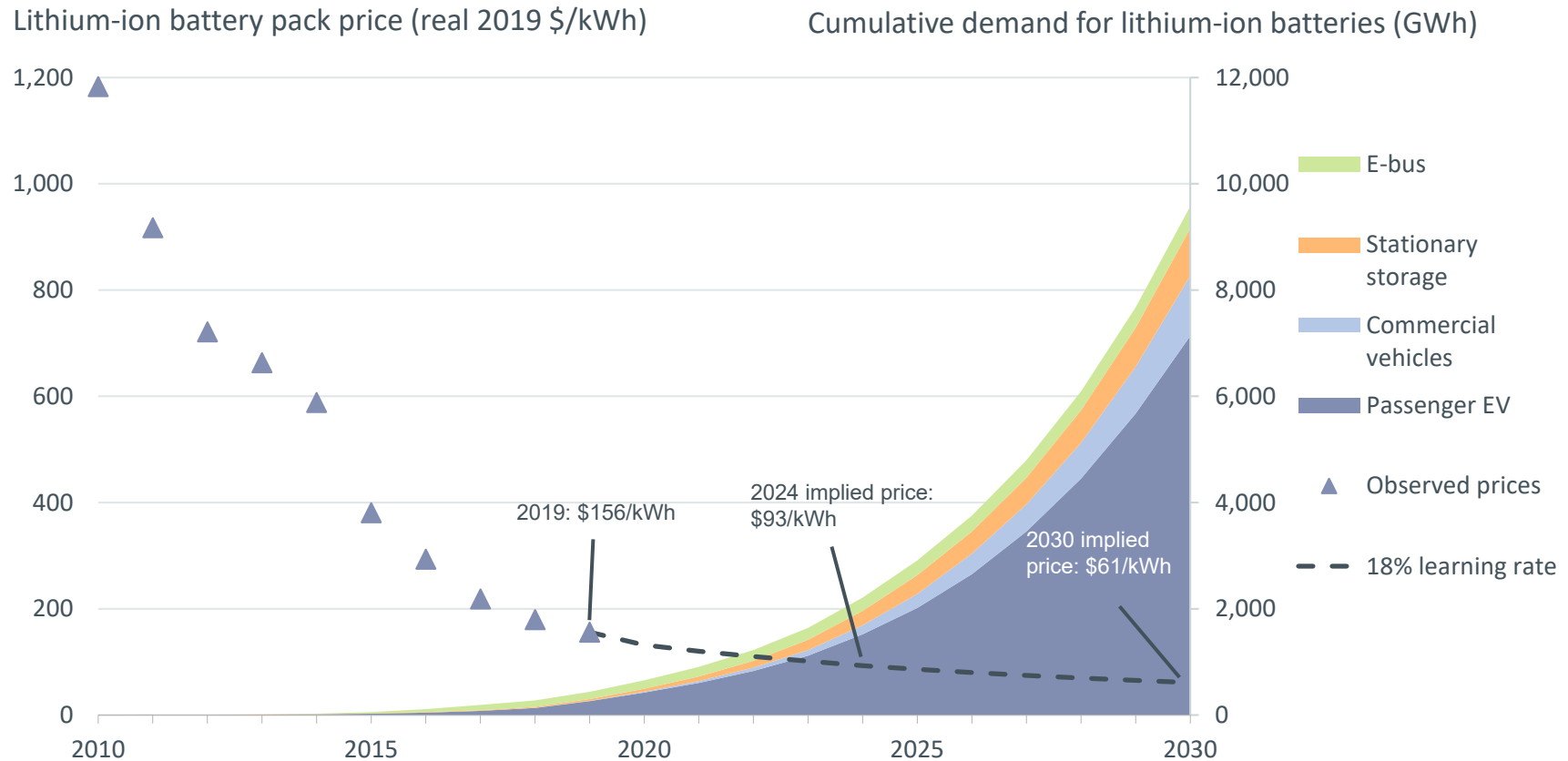
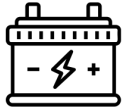
Li-ion are now at the same price as lead acid



Source: BNEF

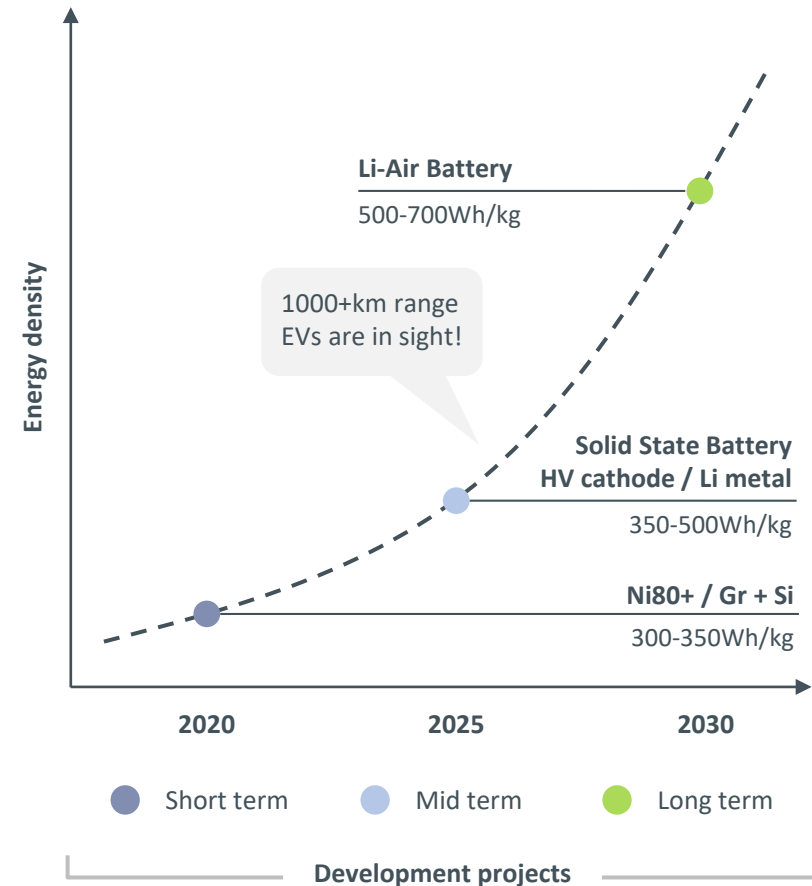
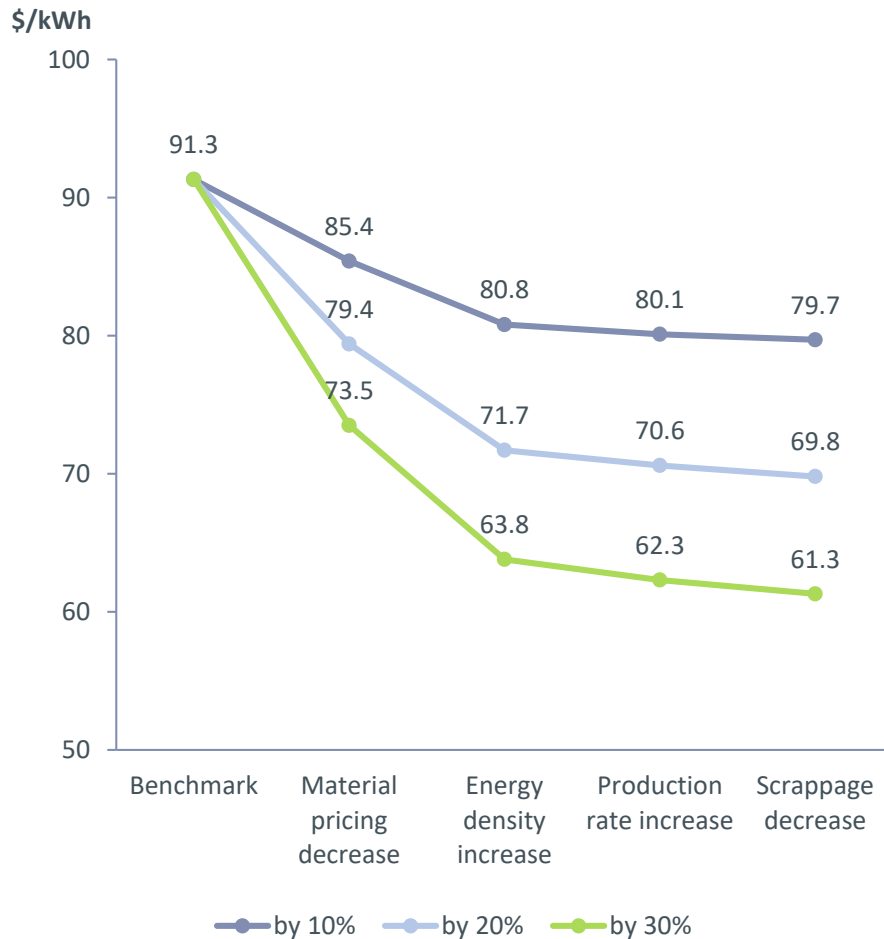
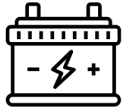
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DRIVER #4: LITHIUM-ION PRICING IS GOING TO GET LOWER AND VOLUMES ARE INCREASING - MOSTLY GOING INTO TRANSPORT



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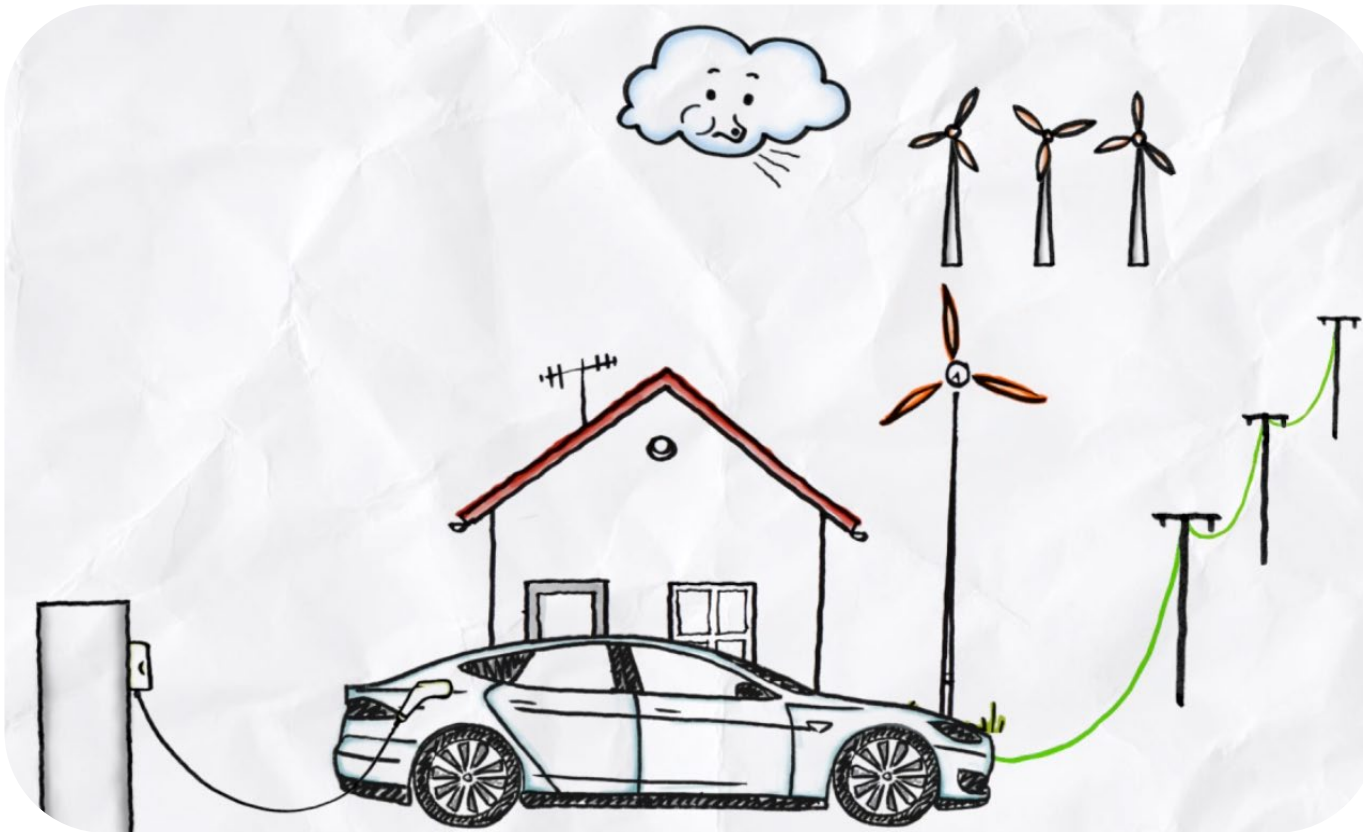
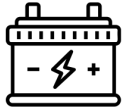
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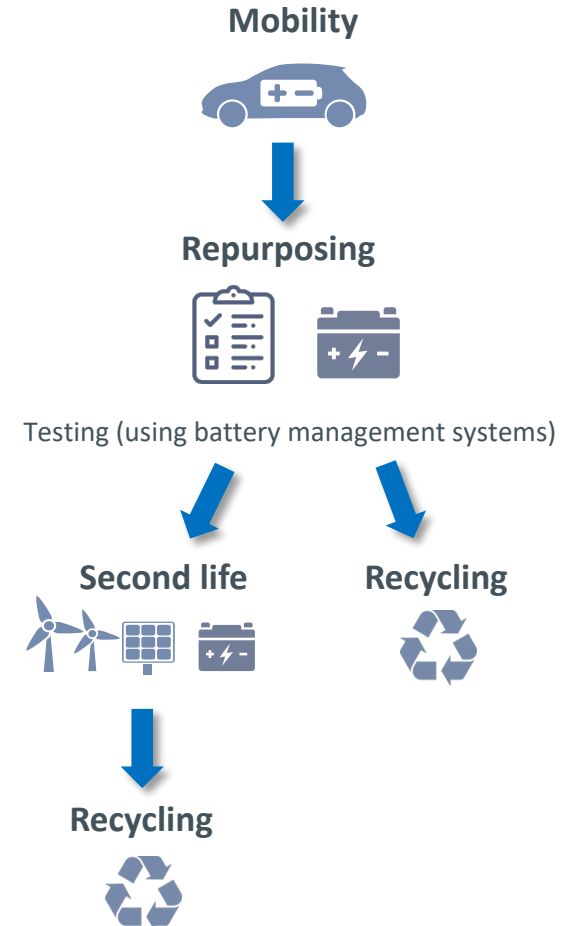
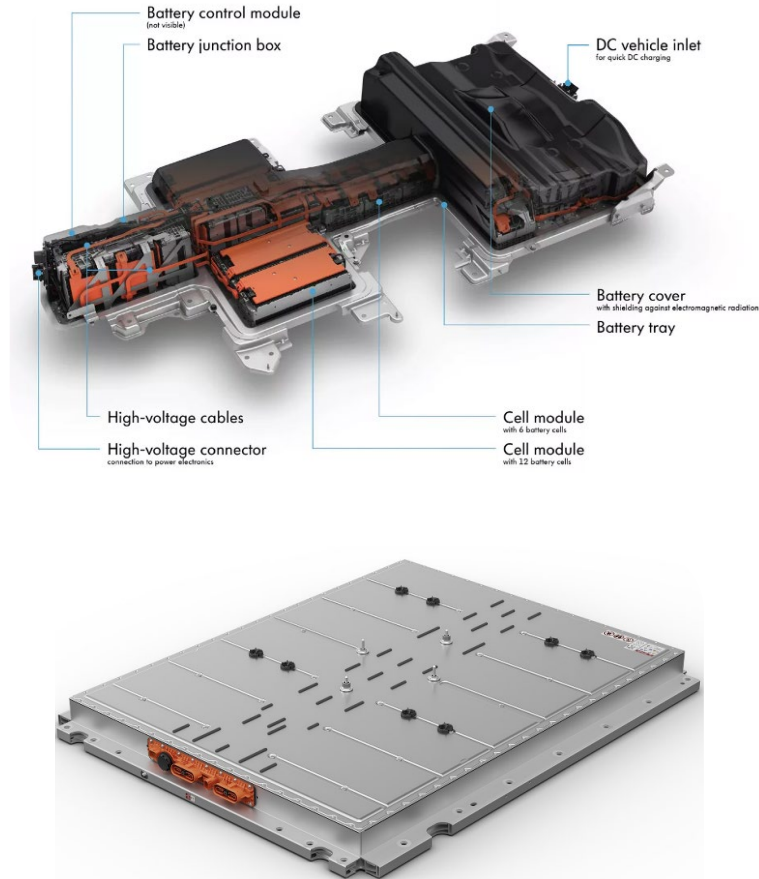
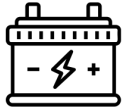
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**DRIVER #6: LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES WILL BRING TOGETHER THE UTILITY AND
AUTOMOBILE VALUE CHAINS**
AND CARS ARE ONLY USED 5% OF THE TIME...



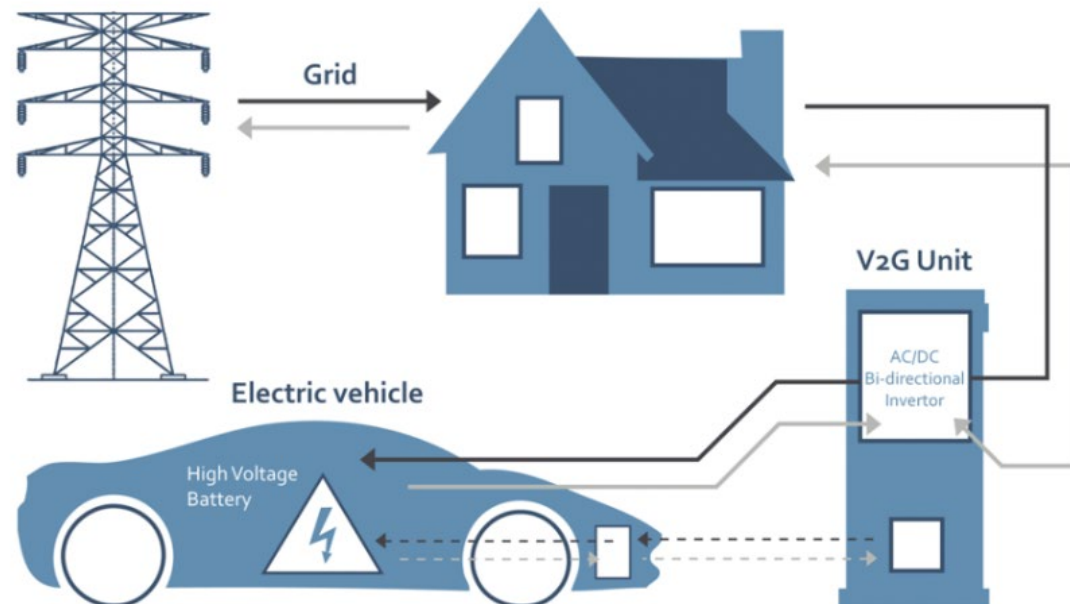
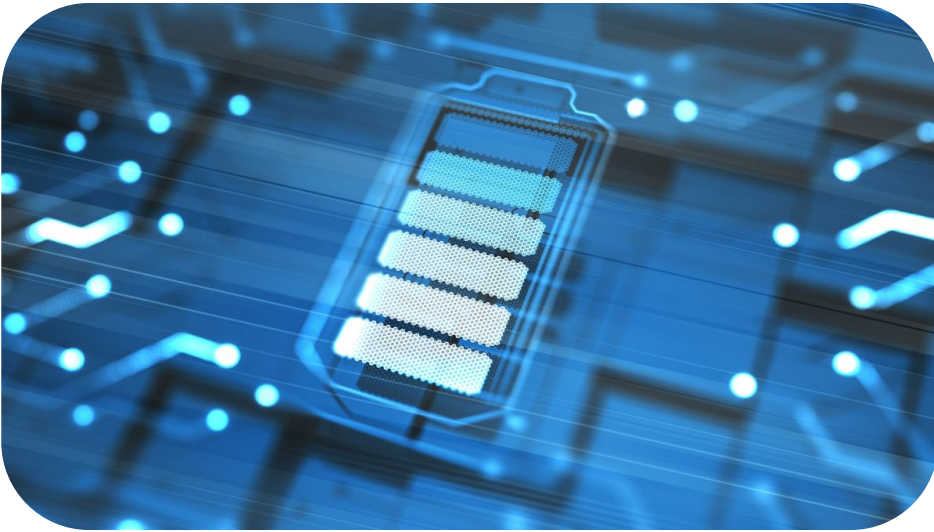
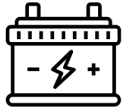
1m Tesla = 100GWh of power = Peak power needs of Germany and Netherlands

DRIVER #7: THERE WILL LOTS OF LOW COST BATTERIES OUT THERE...**SECOND LIFE** BATTERIES ARE COMING



Storage

DRIVER #8: **DIGITALISATION ENABLES STORAGE** BY ALLOWING DEVICES TO BE CONNECTED TOGETHER





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THE FINANCE WORLD IS PUSHING CAPITAL INTO LOW CARBON TECHNOLOGIES AND ELECTRICITY!



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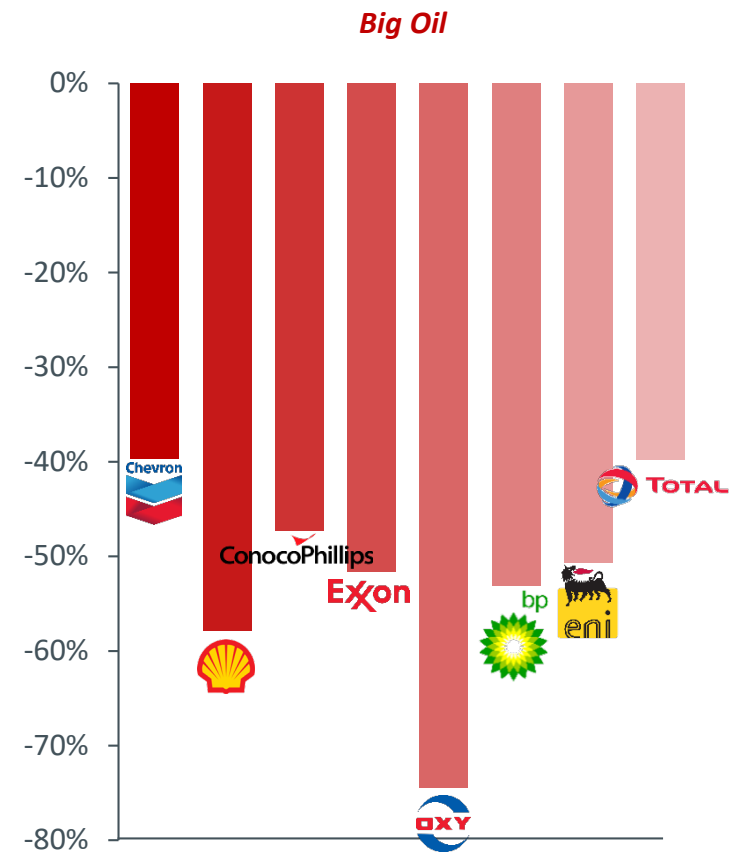
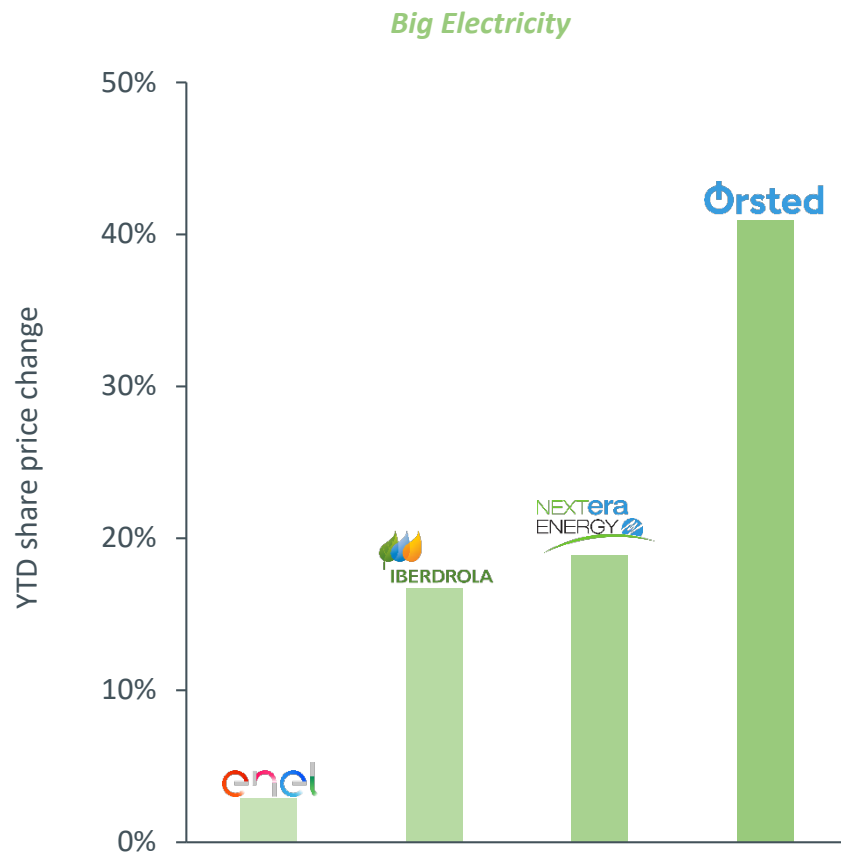


A Fundamental Reshaping of Finance

1. The evidence on climate risk is compelling investors to reassess core assumptions about modern finance
2. Investors are increasingly reckoning with these questions and recognizing that climate risk is investment risk.
3. Because capital markets pull future risk forward, we will see changes in capital allocation more quickly than we see changes to the climate itself'

Larry Fink, CEO Blackrock

CAPITAL IS FLOWING OUT OF OIL AND INTO ELECTRICITY AND IN PARTICULAR CLEAN ENERGY PRODUCERS



Source: Bloomberg

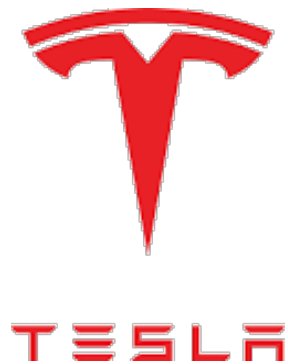
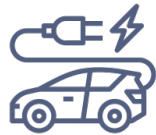
THE LARGEST RENEWABLE SUPPLIER **VESTAS** IN THE WORLD IS **WORTH MORE THAN** THE TWO BIGGEST OIL AND GAS SERVICES BUSINESSES TOGETHER



Source: Bloomberg

ENERGY AND MOBILITY STOCKS PERFORMED EXCEPTIONALLY WELL IN 2020

EVs



+700%

Solar



sunrun

+300%

Jinko^{Solar}

+140%

SUNPOWER[®]

+330%

Wind



Vestas

+90%

PNE
pure new energy

+90%

SIEMENS Gamesa +80%

Source: Bloomberg

WE ARE SEEING A **BIG COMMITMENT** TO CLEAN ENERGY FROM FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

World's biggest sovereign wealth fund to ditch fossil fuels

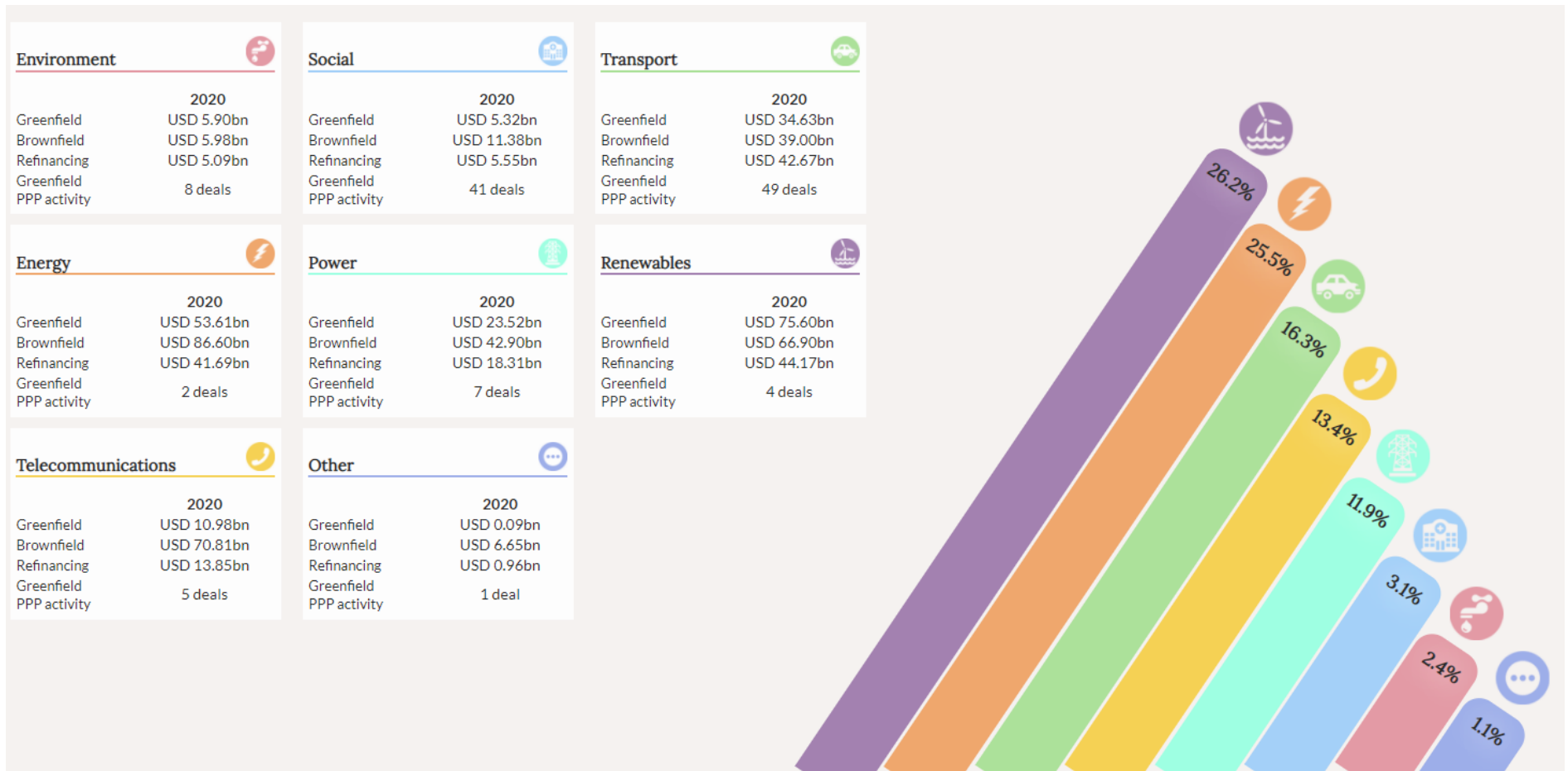
Norway's Government Pension Fund Global gets go ahead to divest \$13bn of investments



▲ North Sea oil companies such as Premier and Tullow will lose investment. Photograph: Alamy

Source: *The Guardian*

MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF INFRASTRUCTURE CAPITAL IS FLOWING TO THE ENERGY SECTOR



Source: Inframation

HUGE AMOUNTS OF PUBLIC MARKET CAPITAL ARE FLOWING INTO MOBILITY TECH – \$100BN IN VALUATIONS

Mobility tech SPAC IPO landscape

Completed or in-progress merger with SPACs

Electric vehicles



EV charging and battery technology



Autonomous vehicles/lidar



Online auto commerce



Micromobility



Urban air mobility



Company	Ticker	SPAC	SPAC ticker	Announcement date	Segment	Market cap/last valuation (\$M)*	Return since announcement date
Nikola Motor Company	NKLA	VectIQ Acquisition	VTIQ	March 3, 2020	Electric vehicles (hydrogen/B2B)	\$6,560.2	54.3%
Hyliion	HYLN	Tortoise Acquisition	SNPR	June 19, 2020	Electric vehicles (hydrogen/B2B)	\$2,641.0	23.0%
Shift Technologies	SFT	Insurance Acquisition	INSU	June 29, 2020	Auto commerce (digital marketplaces)	\$703.1	-29.7%
Velodyne Lidar	VLDR	Graf Industrial	GRAF	July 2, 2020	Autonomous vehicles (lidar)	\$3,907.4	28.7%
Fisker	FSR	Spartan Energy Acquisition	SPAQ	July 10, 2020	Electric vehicles (B2C)	\$4,134.0	-8.7%
Lordstown Motors	RIDE	DiamondPeak Holdings	DPHC	August 3, 2020	Electric vehicles (B2C/B2B)	\$4,471.8	77.4%
Canoo	GOEV	Hennessy Capital Acquisition	HCAC	August 10, 2020	Electric vehicles (B2C/B2B)	\$4,017.9	43.0%
Luminar	LAZR	Gores Metropoulos	GMHI	August 24, 2020	Autonomous vehicles (lidar)	\$10,910	109.4%
QuantumScape	QS	Kensington Capital Acquisition	KCAC	September 3, 2020	Electric vehicles (batteries)	\$19,340.9	203.0%
XL Fleet	XL	Pivotal Investment II	PIC	September 10, 2020	Electric vehicles (B2B)	\$2,696.1	75.5%
ChargePoint	CHPT	Switchback Energy Acquisition	SBE	September 24, 2020	Electric vehicles (charging)	\$2,400.0	240.7%
Romeo Power	RMO	Riverside Management Group	RMG	October 5, 2020	Electric vehicles (batteries)	\$2,453.3	92.9%
Faraday Future	PSAC	Property Solutions Acquisition	N/A	October 6, 2020	Electric vehicles (B2C)	\$3,000.0	N/A
Microvast	N/A	Tuscan Holdings	THCB	October 12, 2020	Electric vehicles (batteries)	\$2,000.0	57.2%

Source: PitchBook | Geography: Global
*As of January 11, 2021

Source: Pitchbook

CAPITAL NEEDS TO FLOW TO THE MINING SECTOR DUE TO THE INCREASING NEED FOR NATURAL MATERIALS TO SUPPORT NEXT GENERATION BATTERIES

The Telegraph

Electric car boom fuels global scramble for nickel and cobalt

A surge in demand for crucial metals could lead to sourcing problems for the growing electric car industry



Source: Telegraph; FT

FINANCIAL TIMES



The Big Read **Cornwall**

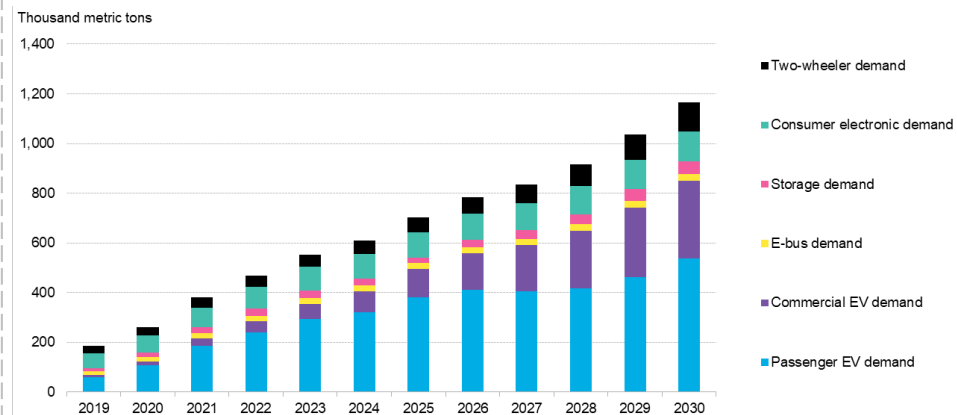
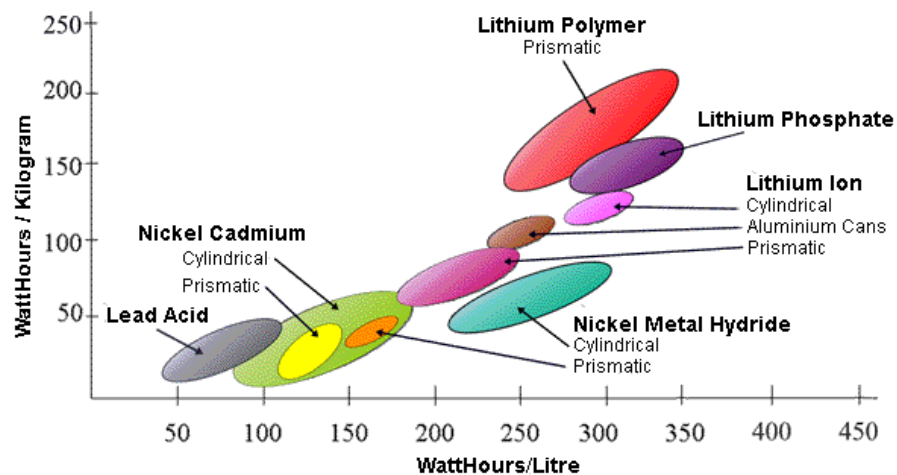
The electric vehicle revolution: Cornwall tries to revive its lithium mines

The English region wants to produce the metal used in car batteries but has to prove it can do so at scale



FROM 2.5M TO 25M EVS IN A DECADE

1. LITHIUM IS THE LONG TERM WINNER AS IS VERY LIGHT, HAS EXCEPTIONAL NEGATIVE ELECTRODE POTENTIAL AND IS ABUNDANT



Demand up 9x to over 1.2m tonnes p.a by 2030 (25m new EVs) – noting that 50% of lithium demand is already from batteries

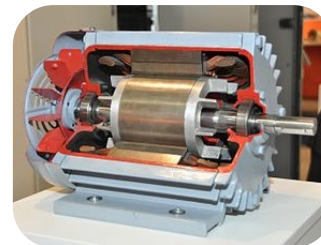
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2. COPPER WILL BE A BIG WINNER AS EVERY EV NEEDS AN EXTRA 60KG OF COPPER

- 85kg (car)-200kg (bus)



25KG



- 1-10kg



10x increase - 1.5m tonnes p.a. (from 24m tonnes p.a.) – could have big impact on market



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3. NICKEL WILL SEE AT LEAST A 10X INCREASE IN DEMAND FROM BATTERIES BY 2030 TO 1.3M TONNES P.A.

BNEF refined class 1 nickel supply curve

Segment	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Passenger EV demand	54	51	88	153	201	252	298	395
Commercial EV demand	4	4	9	15	23	32	43	56
E-bus demand	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	2
Two-wheeler demand	19	16	17	24	26	29	34	37
Storage demand	4	8	10	17	26	32	34	27
CE demand	14	14	18	20	23	24	27	29
TOTAL battery demand	96	93	143	231	301	372	438	546
Non-battery demand	760	768	749	759	764	768	768	768
Flexible non-battery demand	313	337	311	324	331	337	337	337
Total demand	1,169	1,199	1,203	1,314	1,395	1,478	1,544	1,652
De-risked supply (2019)	1,078	1,175	1,248	1,330	1,365	1,386	1,391	1,407
Nameplate capacity (2019)	1,078	1,216	1,273	1,380	1,422	1,422	1,422	1,476

By 2030 over 50% of global demand will go to batteries



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1. THERE IS AN **OPPORTUNITY** TO CREATE GLOBAL CHAMPIONS AS AT THE START OF THE 20TH CENTURY



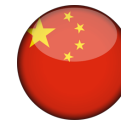
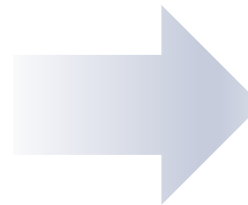
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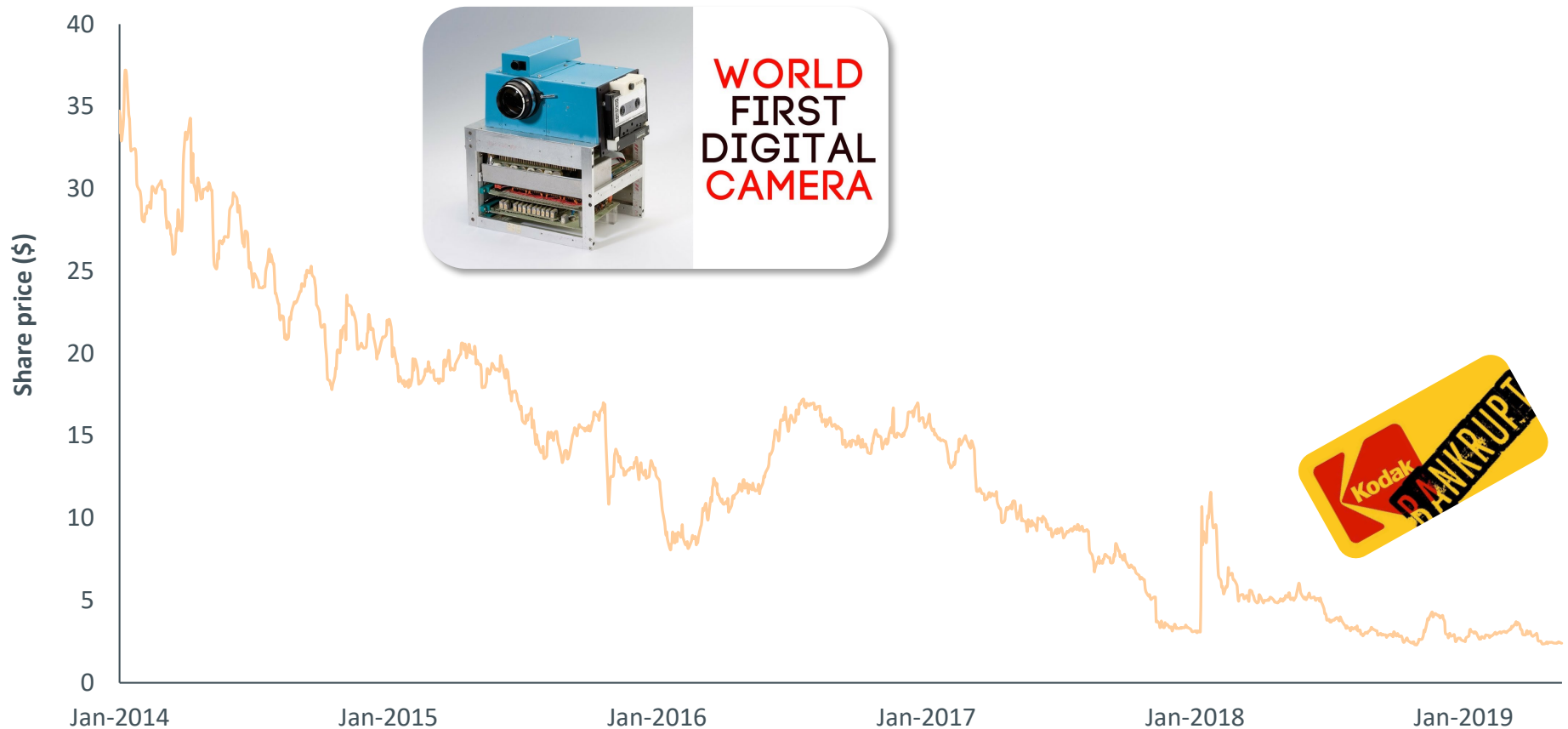
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2. THIS REVOLUTION WILL CAUSE A MAJOR SHIFT IN THE WEALTH OF REGIONS AND NATIONS

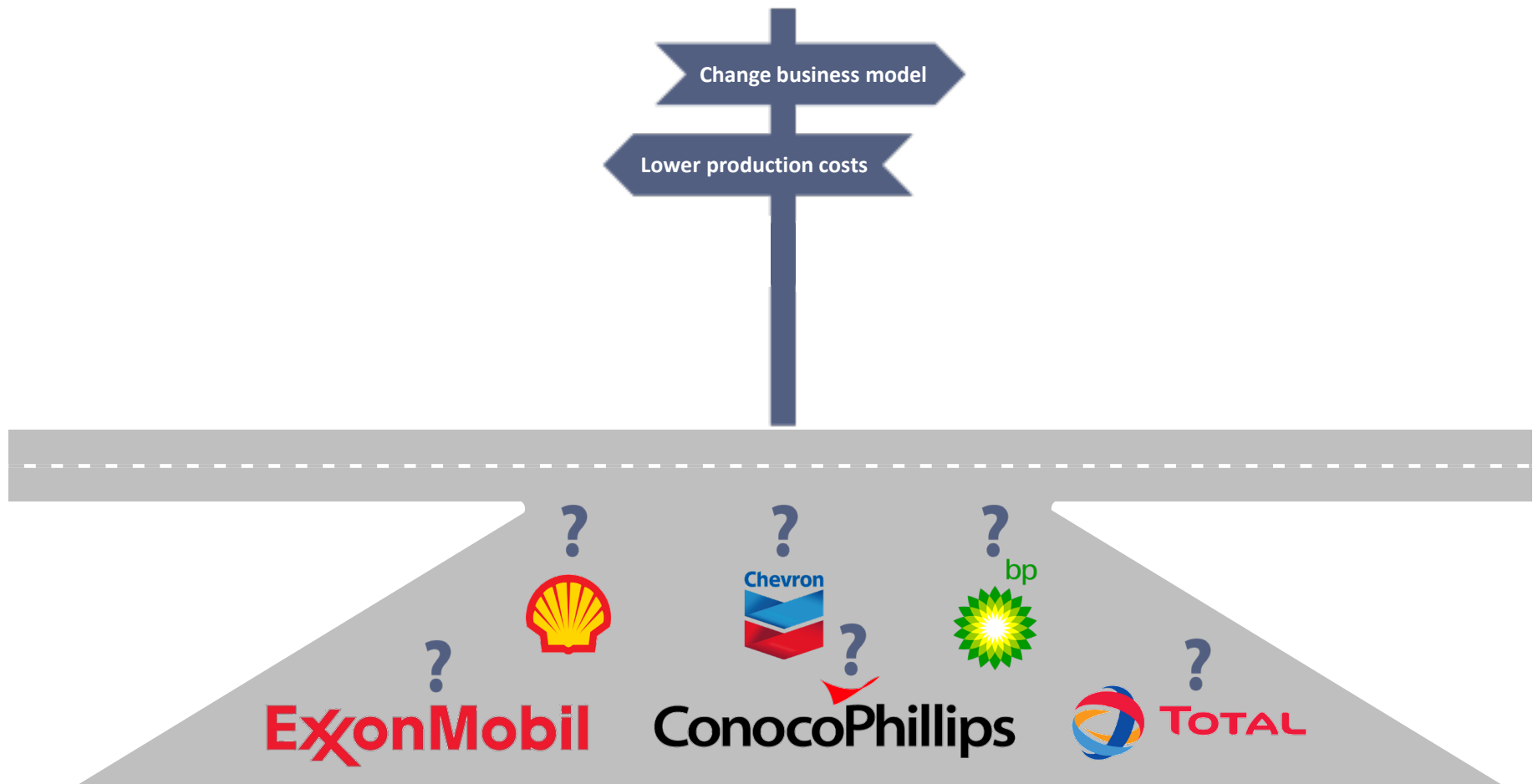


3. MANY INCUMBENTS WILL NOT SURVIVE AS THEY WILL BE TOO SLOW TO CHANGE



Source: Bloomberg

THE **ONLY OIL & GAS COMPANIES THAT SURVIVE** WILL HAVE VERY LOW COSTS OF PRODUCTION, OR WILL CHANGE THEIR BUSINESS MODELS



SOME INCUMBENTS WILL MAKE RADICAL CHANGE – VW, FOR INSTANCE, IS BECOMING A UTILITY



Volkswagen is entering the energy industry with 'Elli'

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