



## The EUROPEAN SCHOOL on MAGNETISM



A broad series of fundamental lectures + the latest insights into up-to-date aspects of magnetism with lectures focusing on a special topic

2003: Magnetism of Nanostructured Systems and Hybrid Structures

2005: New experimental approaches to Magnetism

2007: New magnetic materials and their functions

2009: Models in magnetism : from basic aspects to practical uses

2011: Time-dependent phenomena in magnetism

**2013: Magnetism for Energy**

# Magnetism for Energy ?

- **Production**

- **Transmission / Distribution**

- **Storage**

- **Exploitation**



**of electrical energy**

- **Other energy related applications of magnetism**

Refrigeration

Actuators

Sensors

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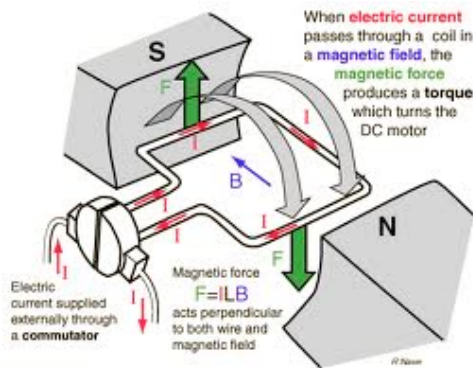
# Exploiting the link between magnetism and electricity

G.W. Jewell

## electric motor

electromechanical device that converts  
electrical energy  $\Rightarrow$  mechanical energy

(rotary or linear motion)



$$\mathbf{F} = I \int d\mathbf{\ell} \times \mathbf{B}.$$

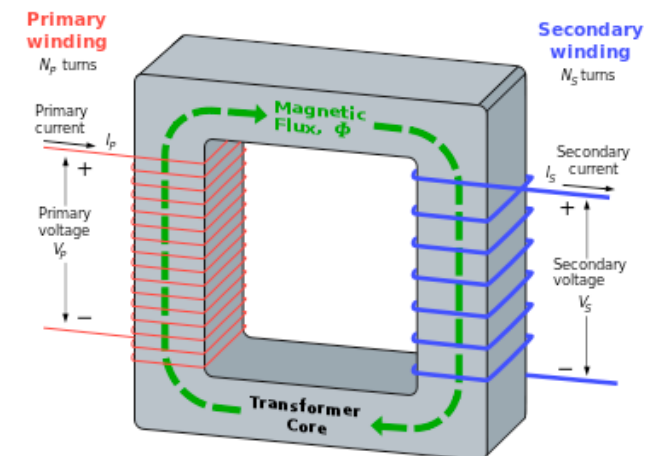
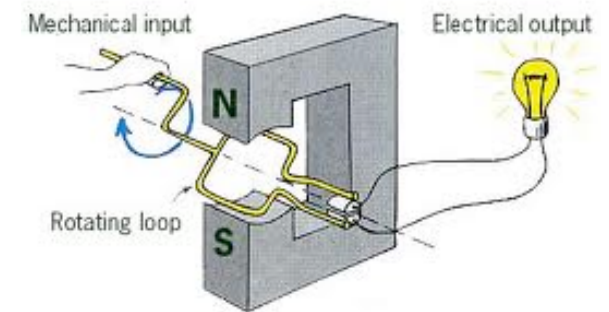
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \quad \text{W. Wulfhekel}$$

## transformer

electrical device that transfers energy by  
inductive coupling between its winding circuits

## electric generator

electromechanical device that converts  
mechanical energy  $\Rightarrow$  electrical energy



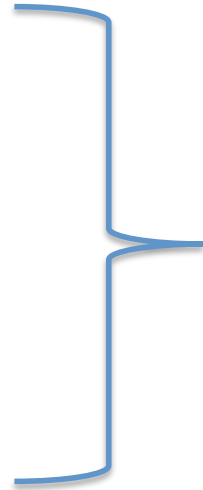
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**electro-mechanical energy converters**  
**motors / generators**

Soft magnets ( $B$ ,  $\nabla B$ ,  $dB/dt$ ,  $\mu$ )

Hard magnets ( $B$ ,  $\nabla B$ )

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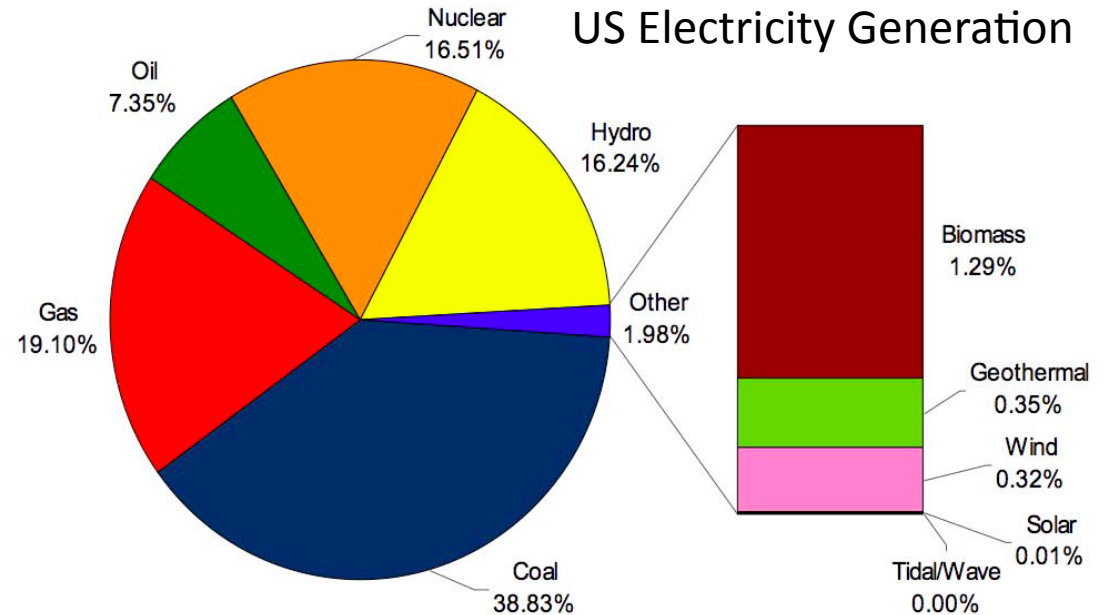
# Magnetism for the Production of Electrical Power

## Energy sources for electricity production

Fossil fuels (coal, oil, gas...)

Nuclear

Renewable (hydro, wind, geothermal, solar, biomass, marine....)



Source: IEA WEO

## Conversion of mechanical energy to electrical energy using a generator

- **Direct:** hydro, wind, marine..

- **Indirect:**

Combustion (coal, oil, gas...), nuclear, geothermal, solar thermal  $\Rightarrow$  heat  $\Rightarrow$  pressure  
 $\Rightarrow$  mechanical energy

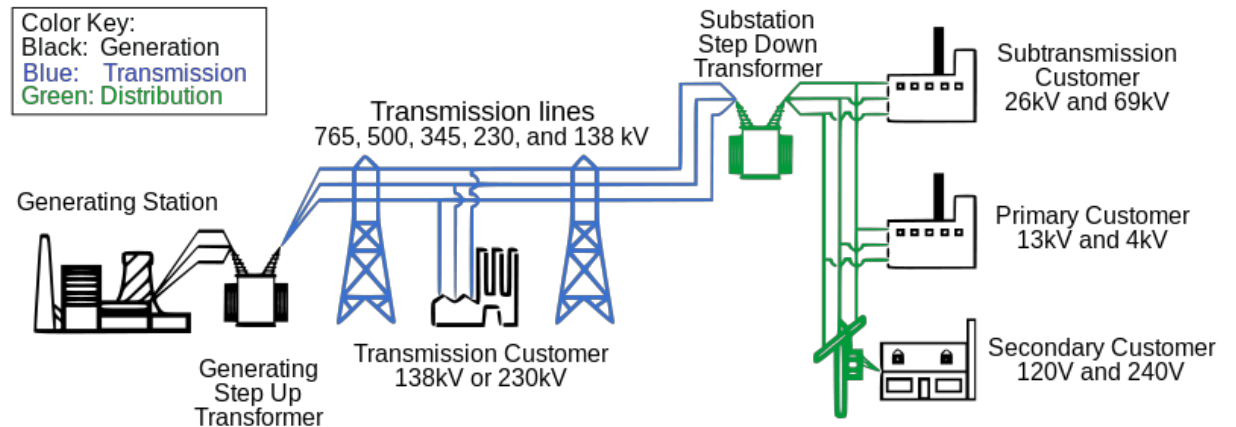
## Transformation of V / I

Photo-voltaic

# Transmission / Distribution of Electrical Energy

**Transformers** to step up/down V

Transmit power at high voltage,  
to minimise Joule losses ( $I^2R$ )



## Storage of Electrical Energy

Important for intermittent  
renewable energies (wind, wave, sun)

energy **generated** during periods of low energy demand (**off-peak**)  
can be **released** to meet higher demand during (**peak load**) periods

**Motors / generators** for  
**Pumped-storage hydroelectricity (PSH):**  
electrical energy  $\Leftrightarrow$  potential energy

99% of grid storage capacity



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Magneto-caloric

Magneto-elastic (magnetostrictive,  
magnetic shape memory)



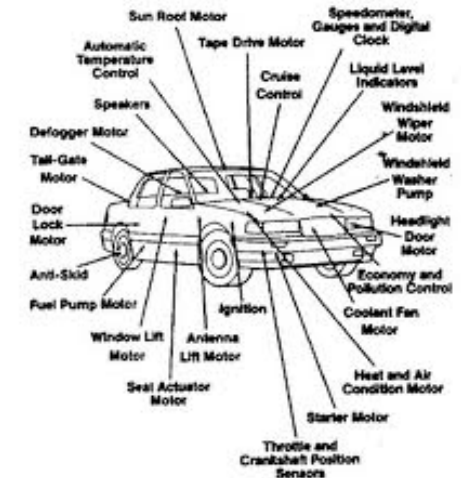
# Electric power in cars

Increasing demand for electric power in modern cars....

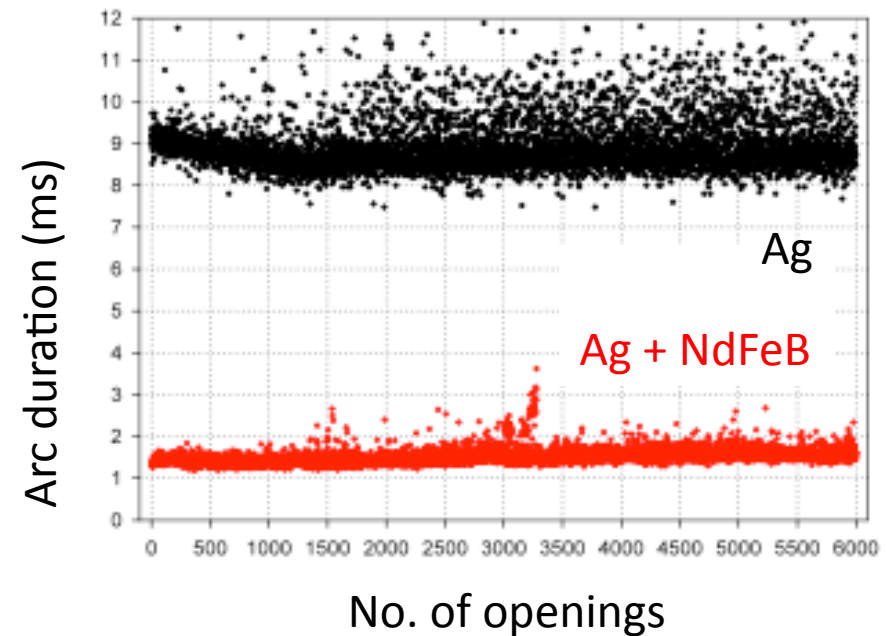
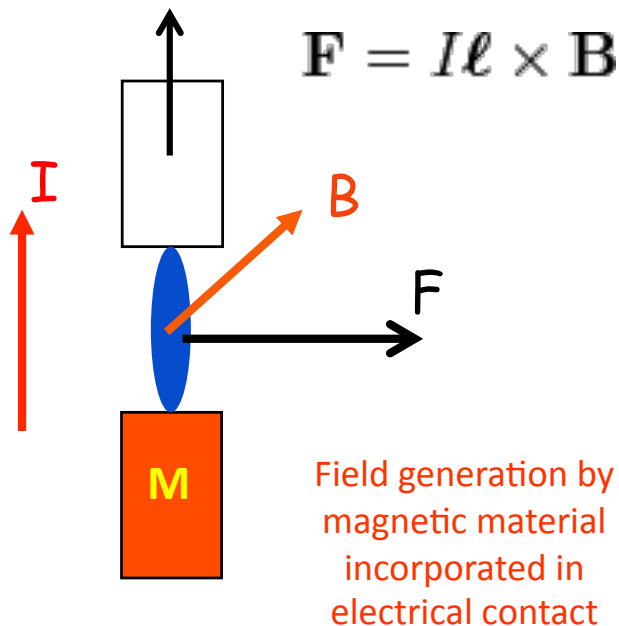
To reduce Joule losses, plan to 42 VDC

But, at this voltage, can have arcing when opening contacts, leading to contact degradation

Up to 100 motors in a modern car !



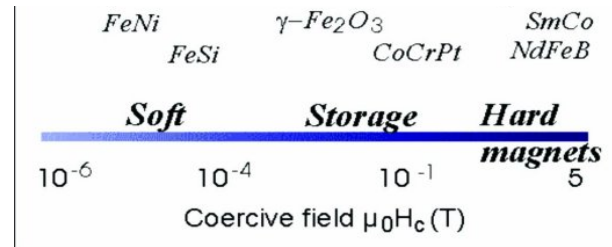
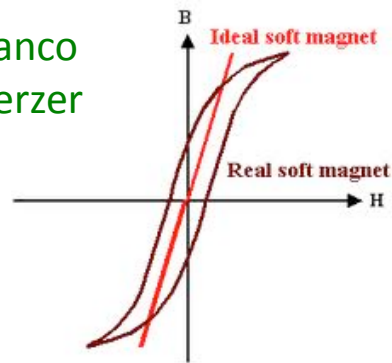
## Magnetic blowing to reduce arcing



# Functional Magnetic Materials

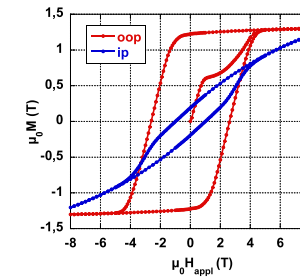
## Soft magnets

V. Franco  
G. Herzer



## Hard magnets

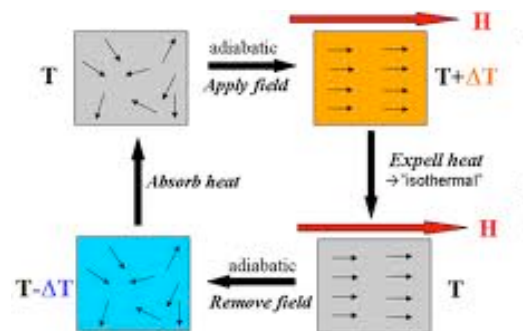
O. Gutfleisch



## Magneto-caloric

Entropy change at magnetic phase change  
may be associated with a  
structural transition

K. Sandeman



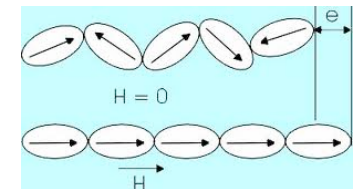
## room temperature refrigeration

- enhanced efficiency wrt vapour-compression,
- no greenhouse gas refrigerants

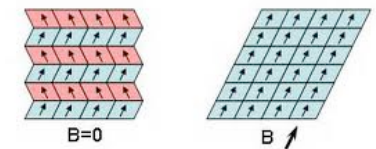
## Magneto-elastic

**magnetostriction:**  
Magnetisation induced  
deformation of lattice  
(spin-orbit coupling)

S. Faehler



**magnetic shape memory:**  
shape change at  
magnetic phase change  
(T, H induced)



Actuators, transducers

# Functional Magnetic Materials

Underlying physics

W. Wulfhekel  
M. Kuzmin,  
K. Sandeman  
O. Fruchart

Materials science

- sample preparation / processing (lab, industry-scale)
- advanced characterisation L. Heyderman, F. Fiorillo
- advanced modelling

Materials criticality

e.g. rare-earths (hard magnets, magnetocalorics)

O. Gutfleisch

Search for new materials

# Hard magnets: key parameters

## $H_c$ : coercivity

$H_c \leq H_A$  (anisotropy field)

$H_c = f(H_A + \text{microstructure})$

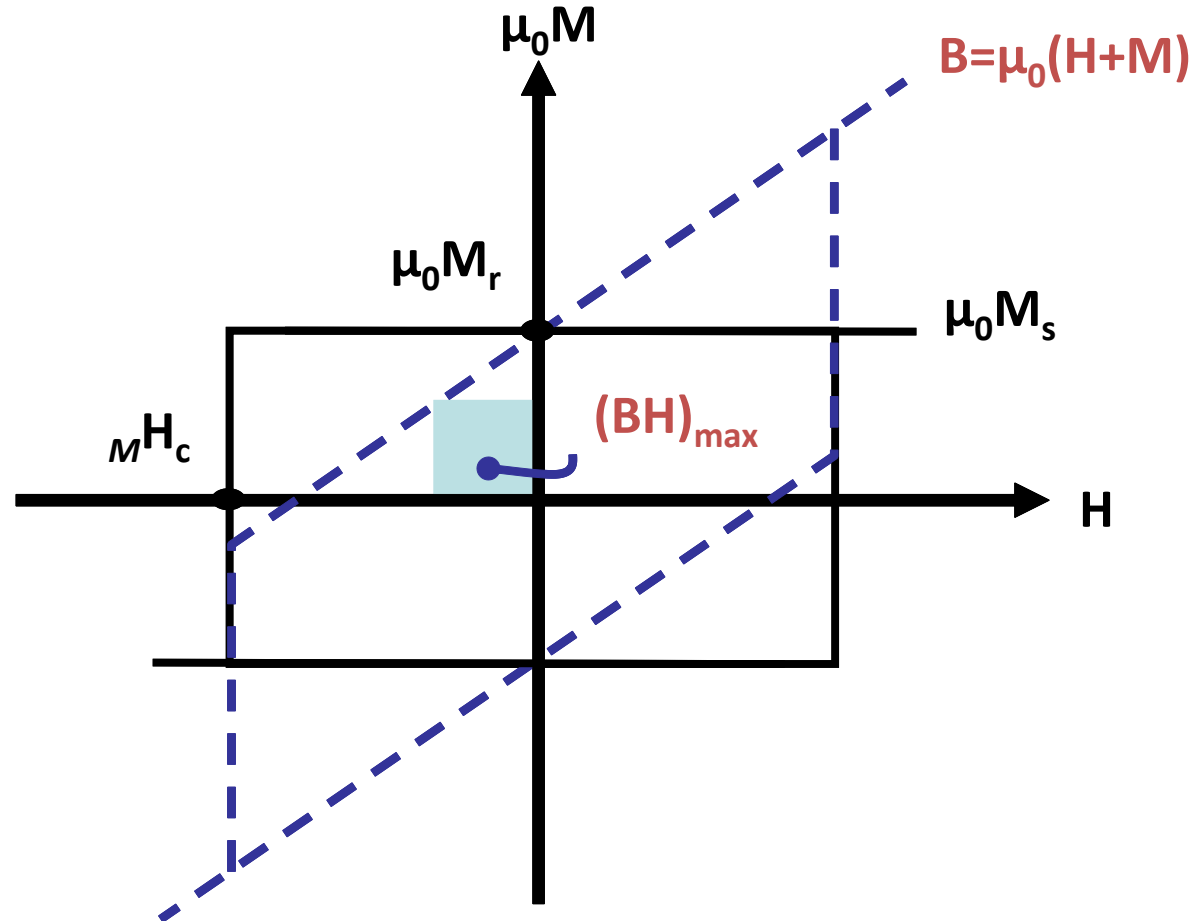
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defects, demag fields

## $M_r$ : remanence

$M_r \leq M_S$  (saturation magnetisation)

$M_r = f(M_S + \text{microstructure})$

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texture, non-magnetic 2<sup>y</sup> phases

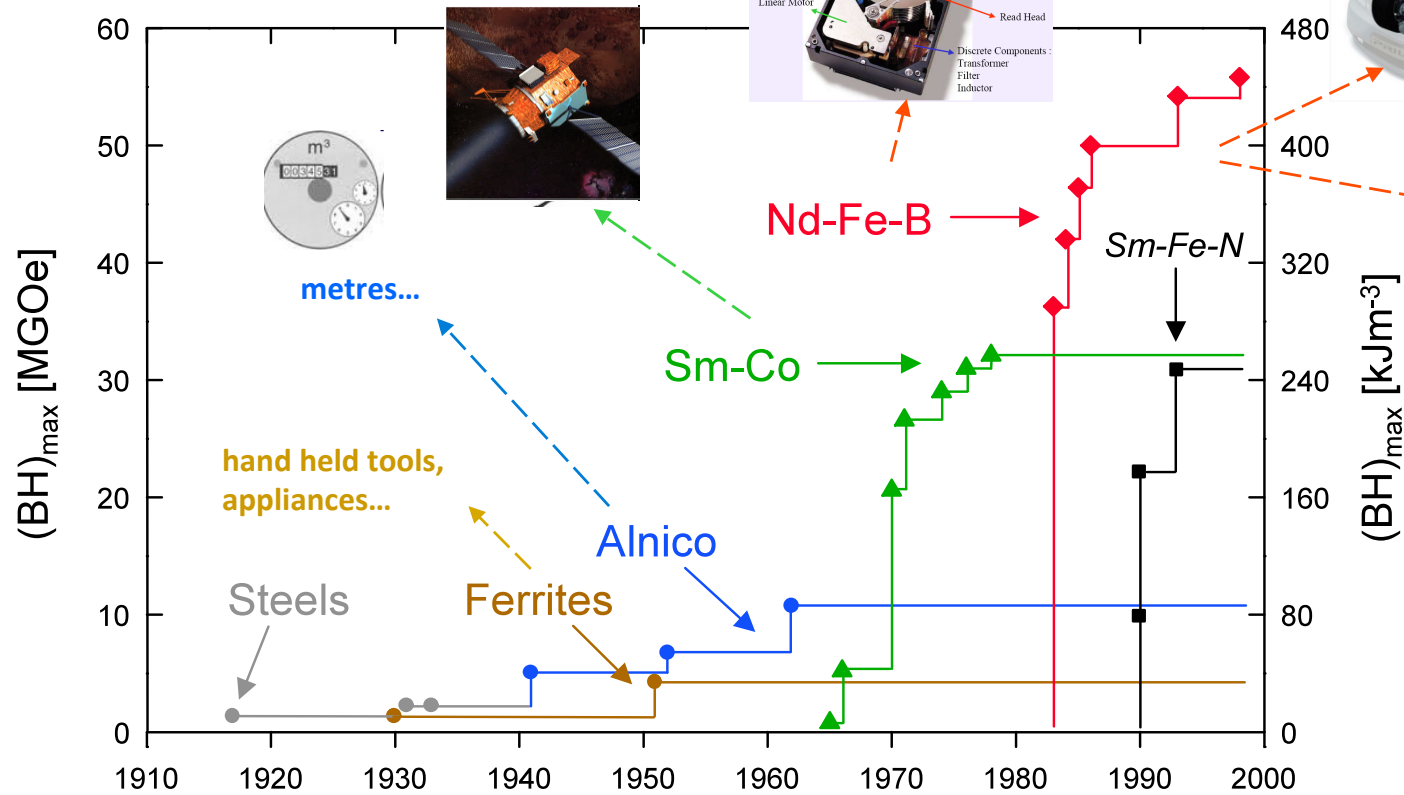
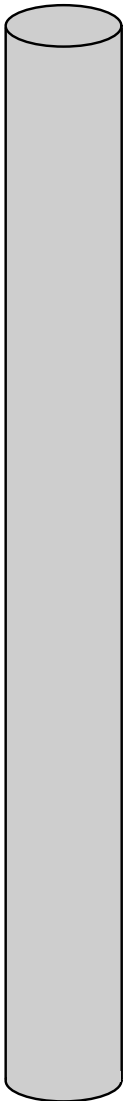


$(BH)_{max}$ : Energy density

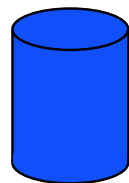
Work which can be done by magnet

# Improving the $(BH)_{\max}$ of magnets.....

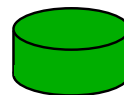
Steel



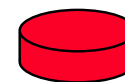
Ferrite



Alnico



Sm-Co



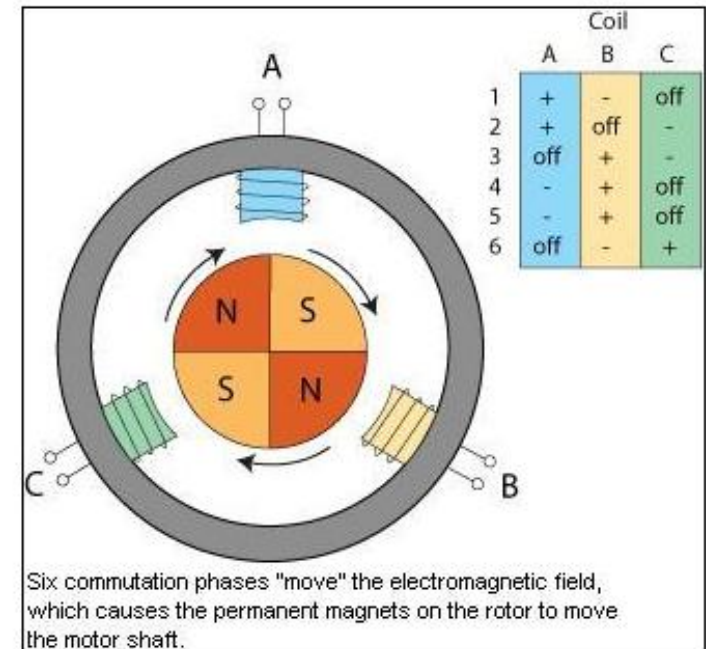
Nd-Fe-B

$\uparrow (BH)_{\max} \rightarrow$   
 $\downarrow$  magnet volume

when  $H_c$  large  
 $(BH)_{\max} \propto M_r^2$

# Improved Magnets → Improved Motors / Generators

Development of high performance RE-TM magnets led to the emergence of Brush Less DC motors



## Advantages of Brush Less DC motors

w.r.t. brushed DC motors, induction motors:

- **more torque per weight / power / efficiency / reliability**
- **maintenance-free operation**
- longer lifetime (no brush and commutator erosion)
- elimination of ionizing sparks (operation in explosive environments)
- reduced noise
- **BUT** more expensive (electronic commutation systems, more complex design / fab...)



# Magnets in (Hybrid) Electric Vehicles

Toyota Prius



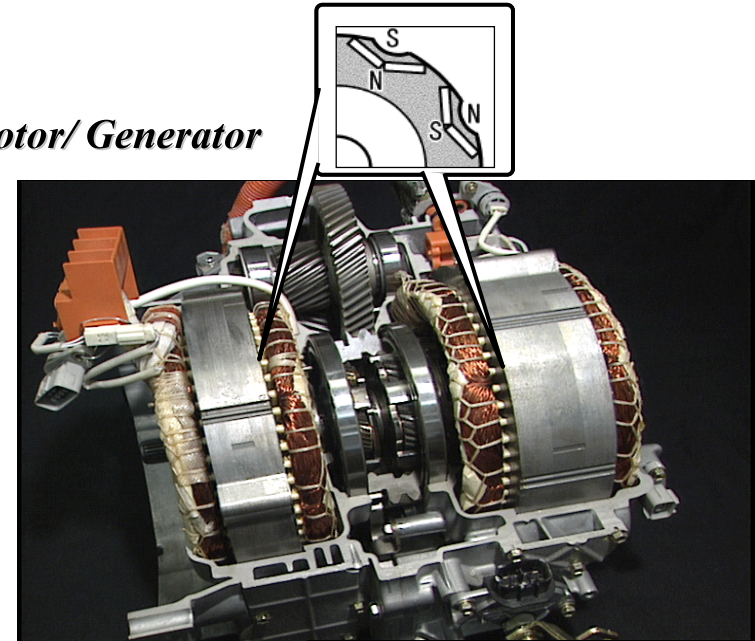
~1.2 kg of NdFeB-based magnets / car

HEV motors: NdFeB vs ferrites

**More efficient + reduced weight !**

Tetsuya Shoji & Hiroshi Okajima,  
Toyota Motor Corporation

*HV Motor/ Generator*



NdFeB-based magnets for EV/HEV

Year	Ton
2000	10,000
2010	60,000
2020*	160,000

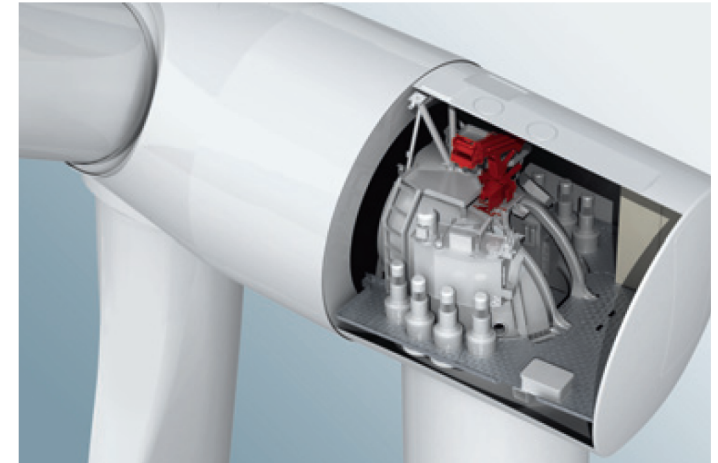
**\* forecast**

# Magnets in direct drive wind turbines

Elimination of gearbox  
→ **technological leap forward**



- reduced complexity
- increased efficiency
- increased reliability  
(**reduced maintenance cost / service time**)
- compact design  
(cost effective transportation / installation)



3 MW turbine = 2000 kg NdFeB





# Magnetic Micro-systems for Energy

$\mu$ -systems may be used to **improve energy efficiency in macro-systems** (cars, houses...)

O. Cugat

**$\mu$ -energy harvestors** for low power applications, e.g. sensors, nomadic devices.....

Smart houses need networks of sensors,  
to control heating, lighting needs...



Exploit changes in  $T$ ,  $\sigma$ ,  $H$

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Magnetic shape memory

Composite structures: e.g.  
magnetoelastic + piezo

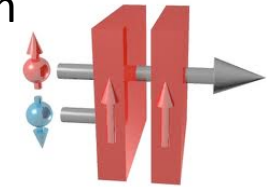
# « Spintronics »

information/communication related technologies (data storage, processing and transmission),  
ever-increasing energy demands.....

**Spintronics:** spin dependence of the electrical conductivity of a ferromagnetic system

relative **energy efficiency** of magnetic devices  
(e.g. non-volatile memories vs volatile memories)

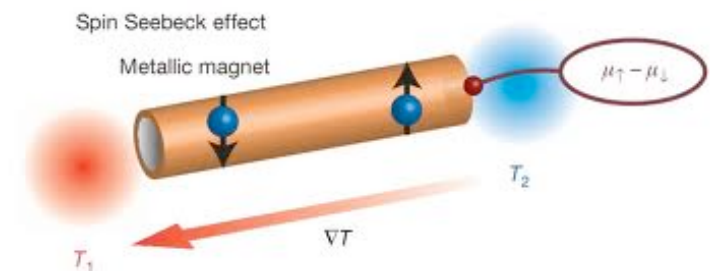
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**Spincaloritronics:** spin dependence of the thermoelectric properties of a ferromagnetic system

⇒ charge current free generation of pure spin current,  
**more efficient control of the magnetization**

S.O. Valenzuela



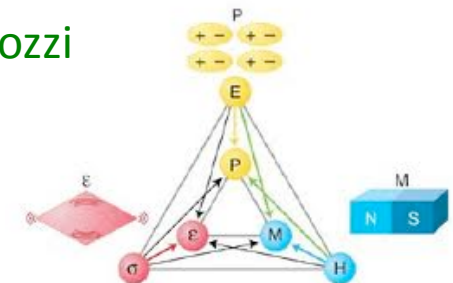
**Multiferroics:** more than one long-range order: ferro -magnetism, -electricity, -elasticity

S. Picozzi

**Magnetoelectrics:** ferroelectric (magnetic) properties

controlled magnetic (electric) field

**voltage control vs current control (reduced Joule losses...)**



**Spintronics:** an industry viewpoint

L. Lombard

Magnetism plays an important role in Energy Economics...

Already an essential element for electricity

Cleaner energy,

Increased energy efficient,

but ever increasing energy use....