

Global Focus on Knowledge

Production and Application of matter

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Lecture one: manufacturing processes, e.g., metal

(iron and steel)

Lecture two: Conjugation (devices), e.g., semiconductors, soft matters

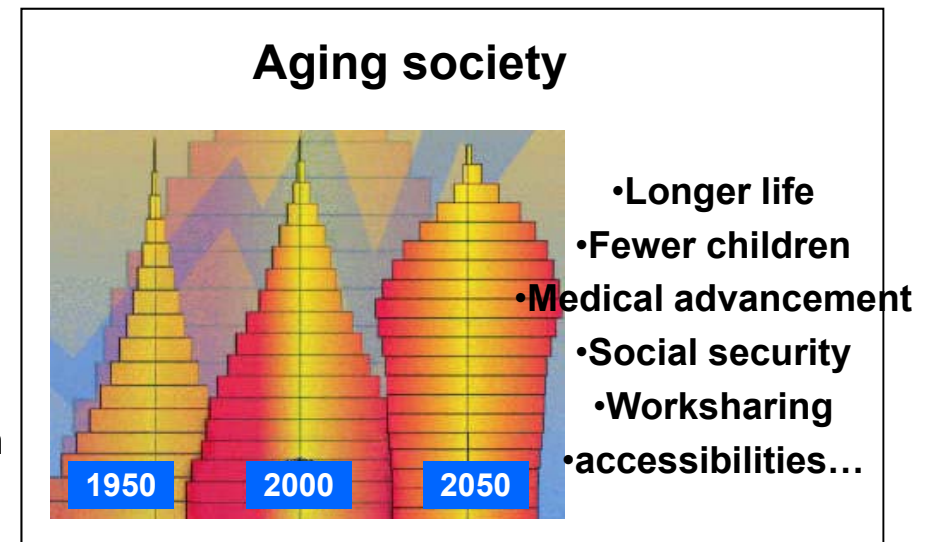
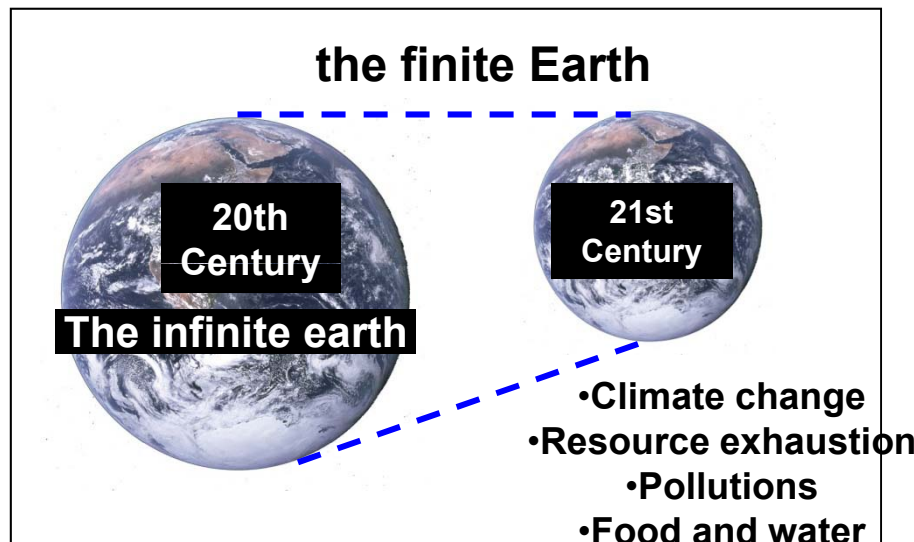
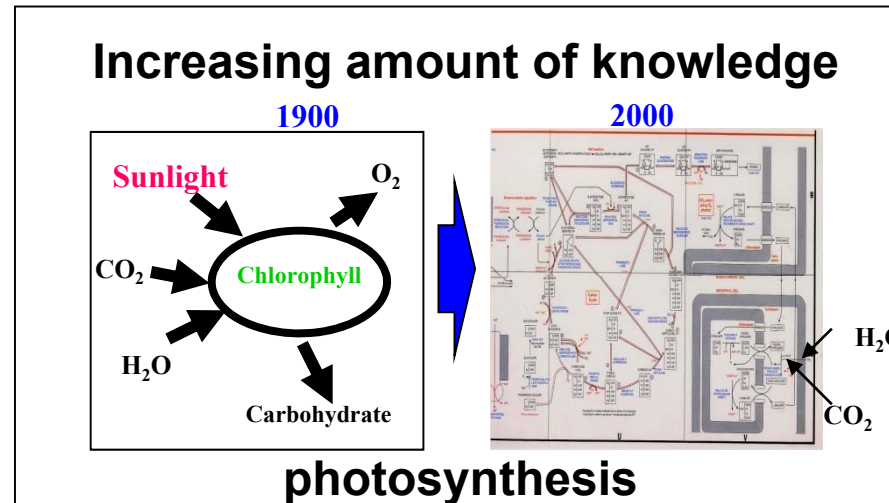
Lecture three: Materials (devices) science for a sustainable future

fuel cells and micro-chemical chips

thermodynamics, kinetics

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The 21st century trends



Global focus on the 「earth」 × 「100 years」

What will become of matter and energy on 2050?

Now is the time of
“paradigm shift”

“the finite Earth”

“saturation of artificial
materials”

“climate change increases”

“exhaustion of resources”

Vision for 2050: “the answer”

Energy efficiency improves

Constructing circularizing systems

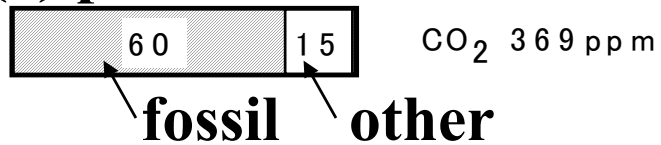
Recyclable energy double

Appropriate from a theoretical and technical point of view

Also, it is possible to gain the international consensus

Vision for 2050

(a) present



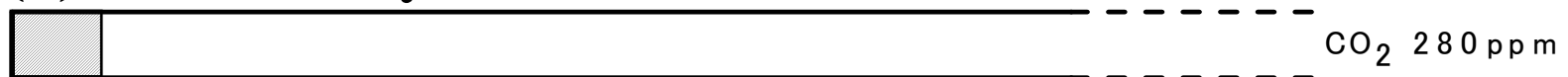
(b) 2050 (status quo)



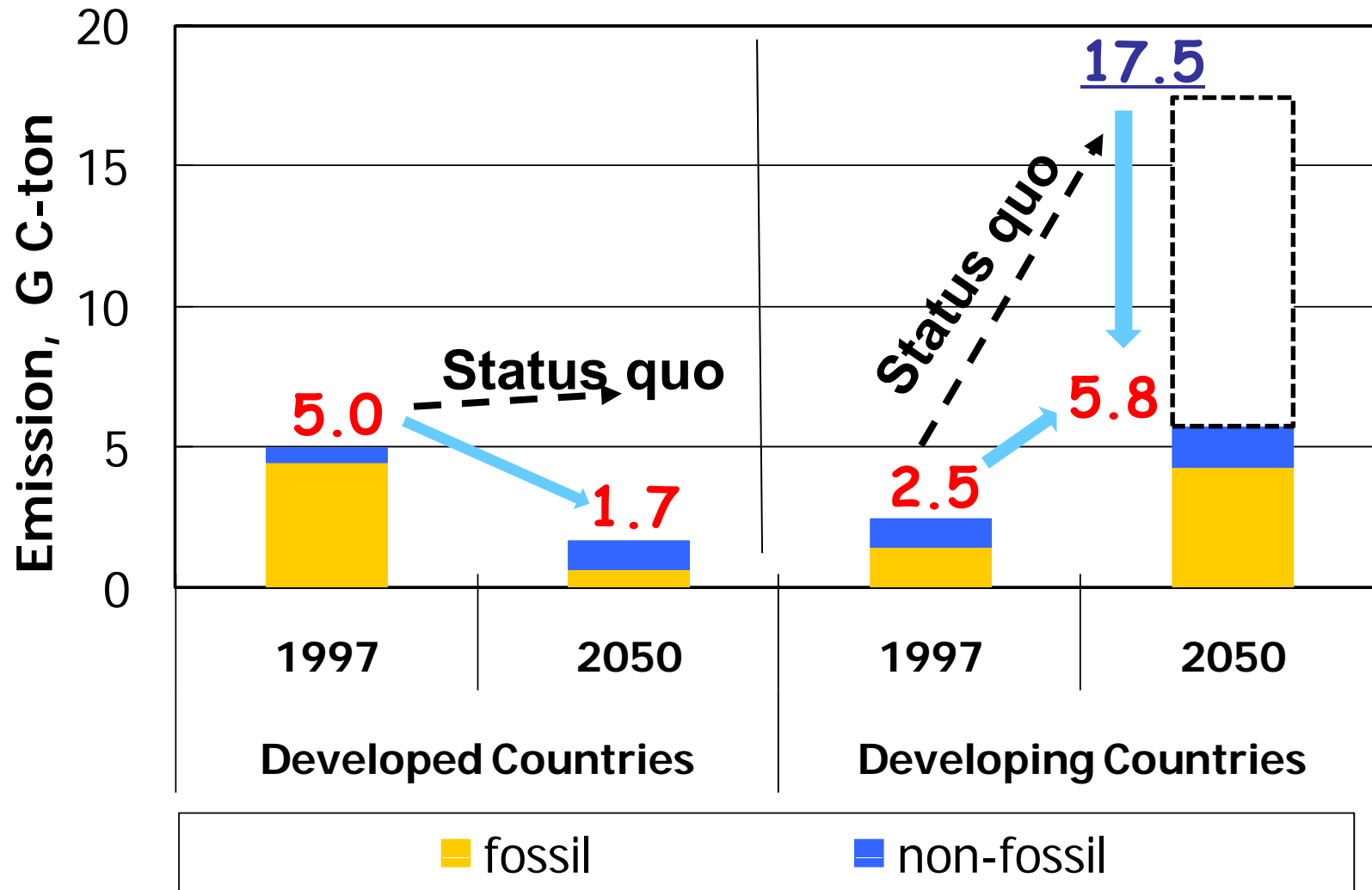
(c) Vision for 2050



(d) 22nd century~



developed countries and developing countries should compromise



Energy efficiency triple

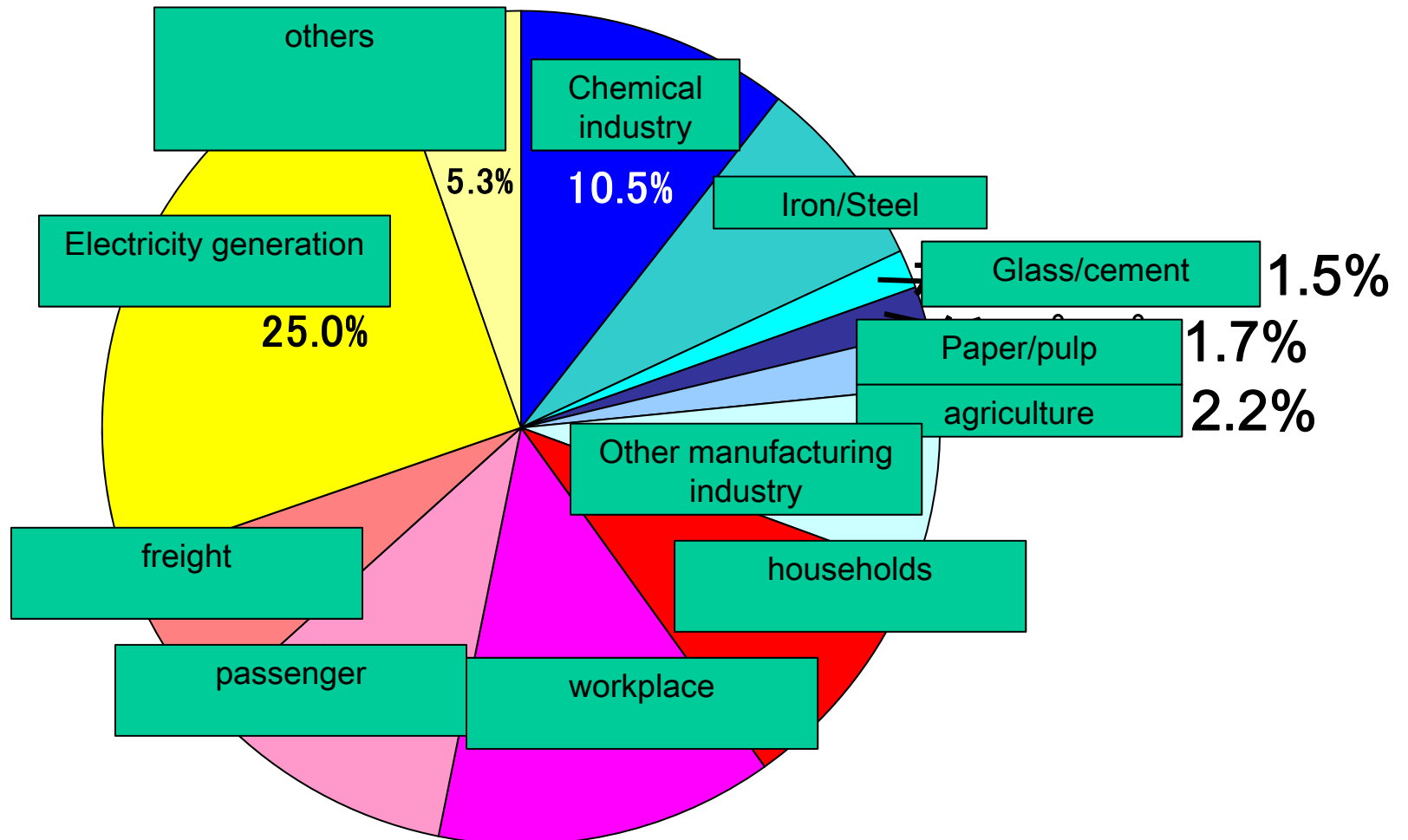
Energy resource : primary energy

Energy : secondary energy
electricity, hydrogen, gasoline

Transfer efficiency.....electricity generation,
petroleum refinement

Utilization efficiency...steelmaking, automobiles,
air conditioning

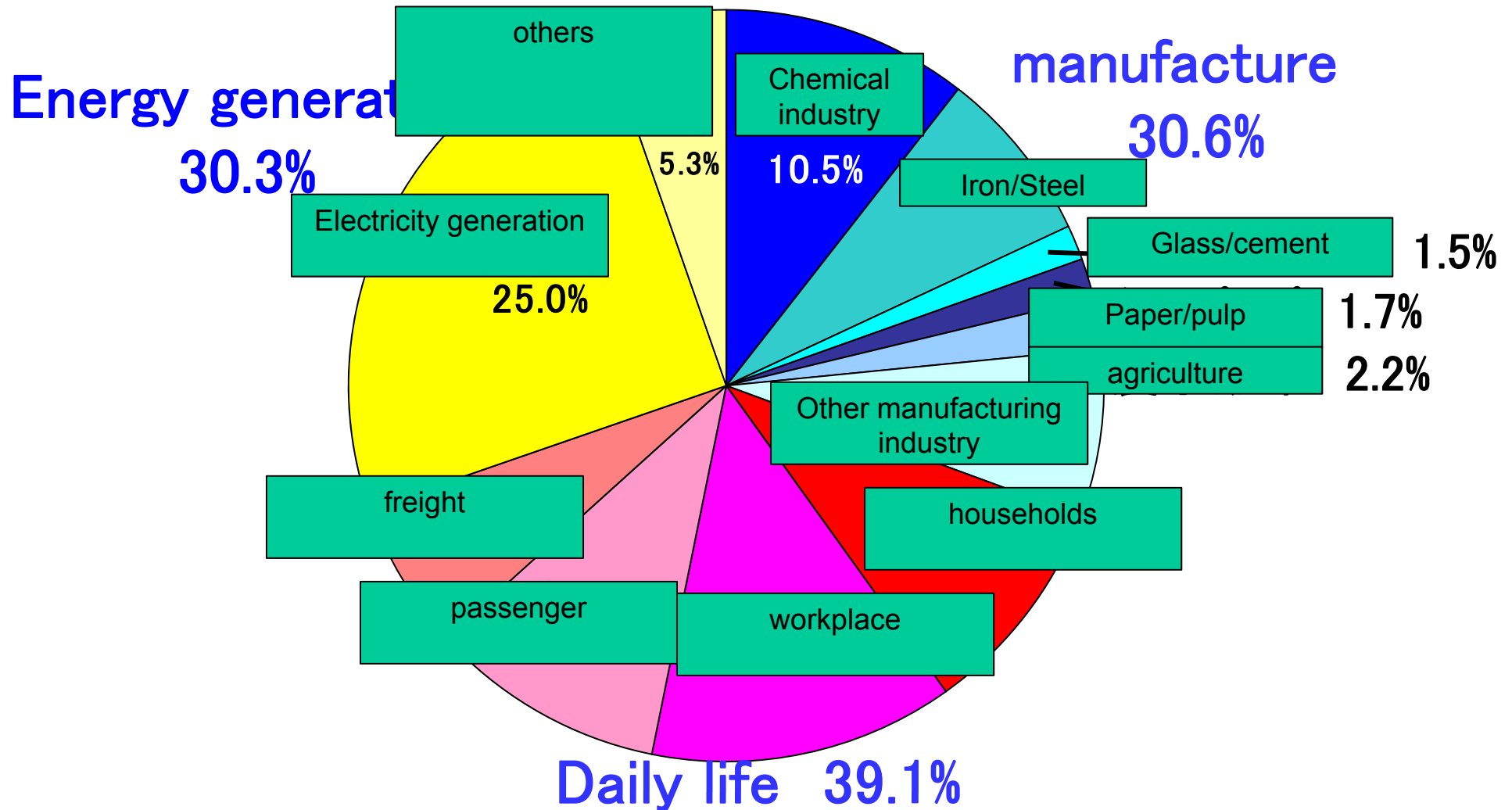
Energy consumption in Japan



Energy in Japan 2007 (data 2005)

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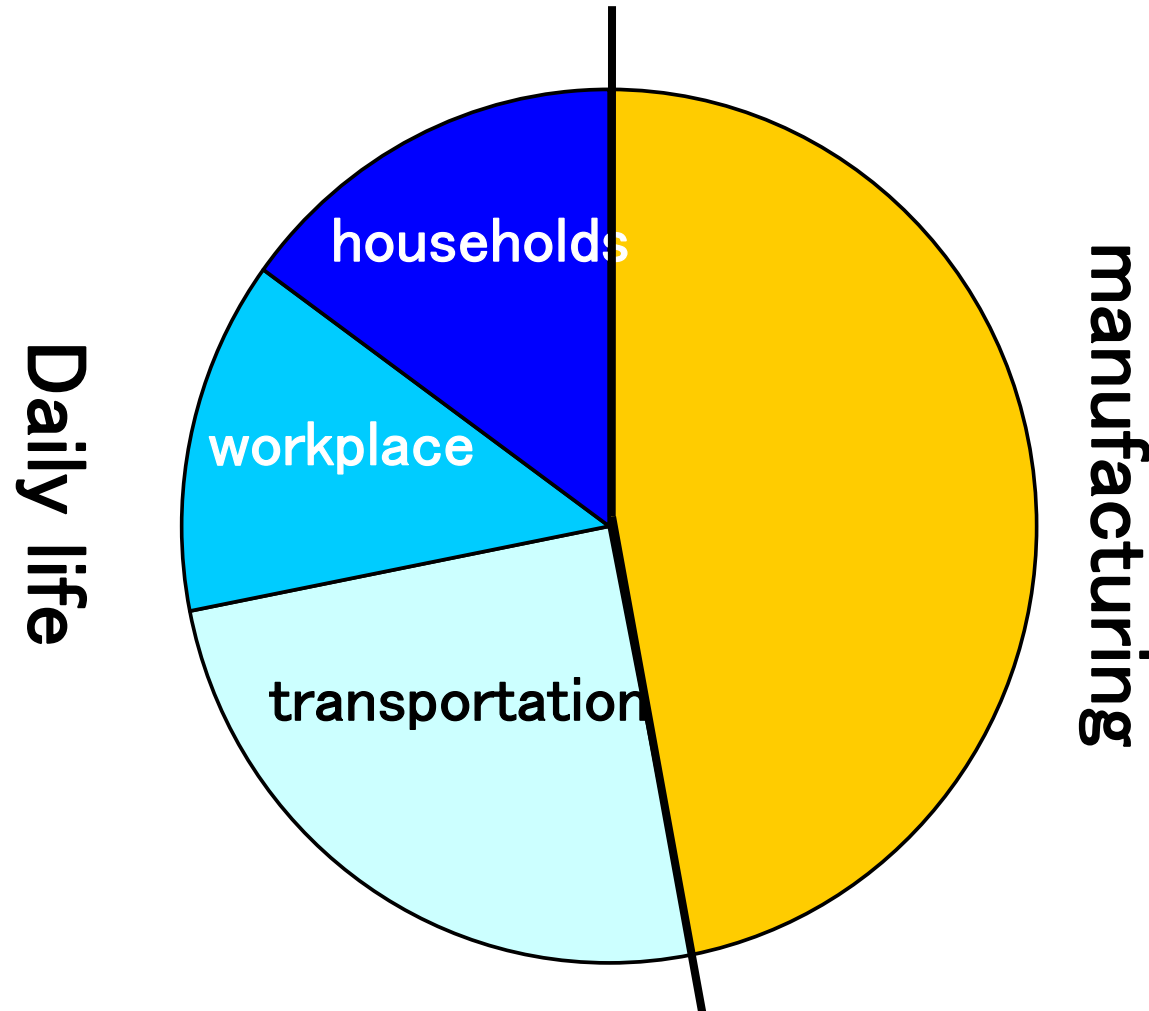
Structuration of knowledge : Energy consumption in Japan



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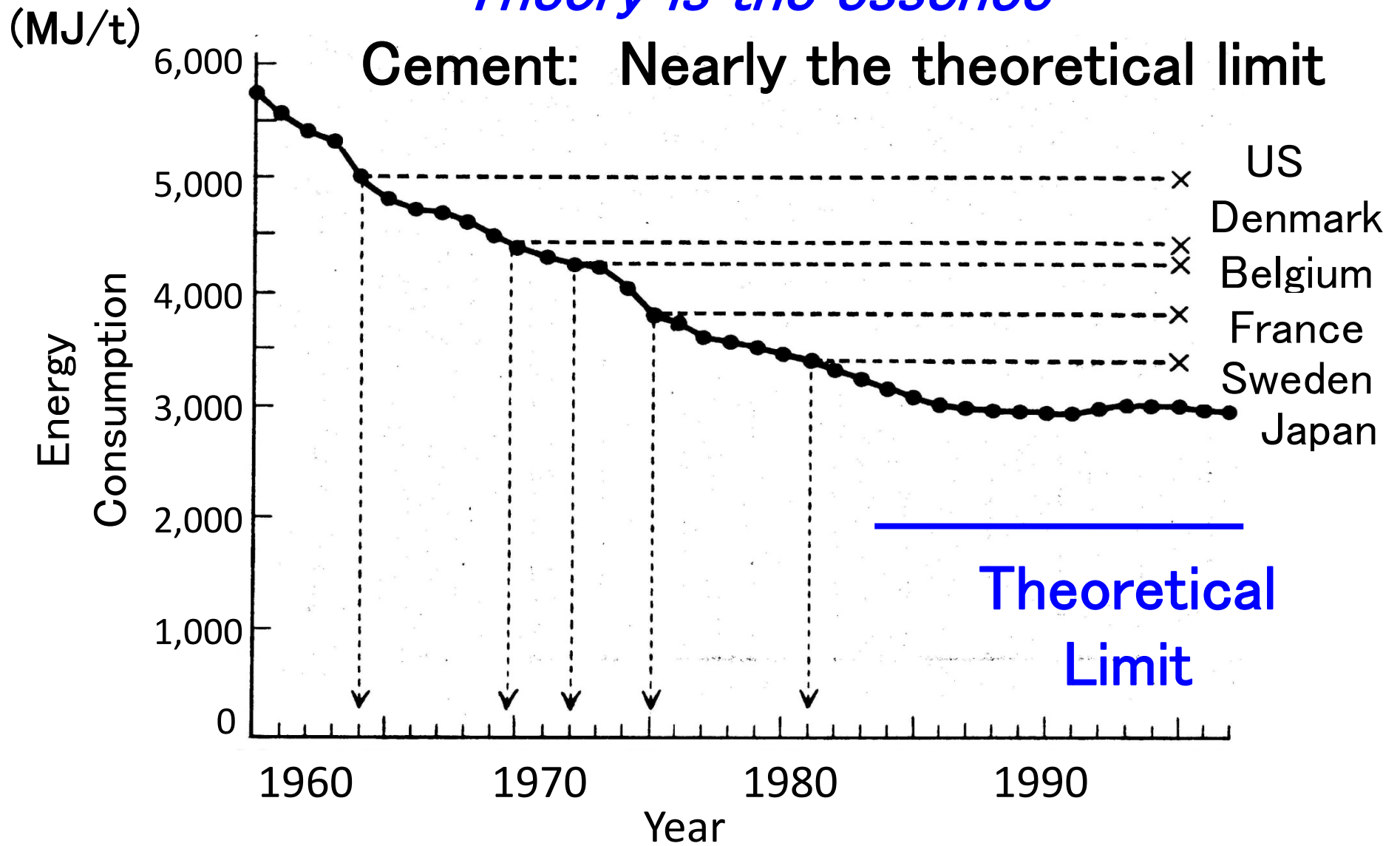
That Japan is taking a low-carbon strategy is clear



Reduction in everyday life and energy-saving manufacture

Theory is the essence

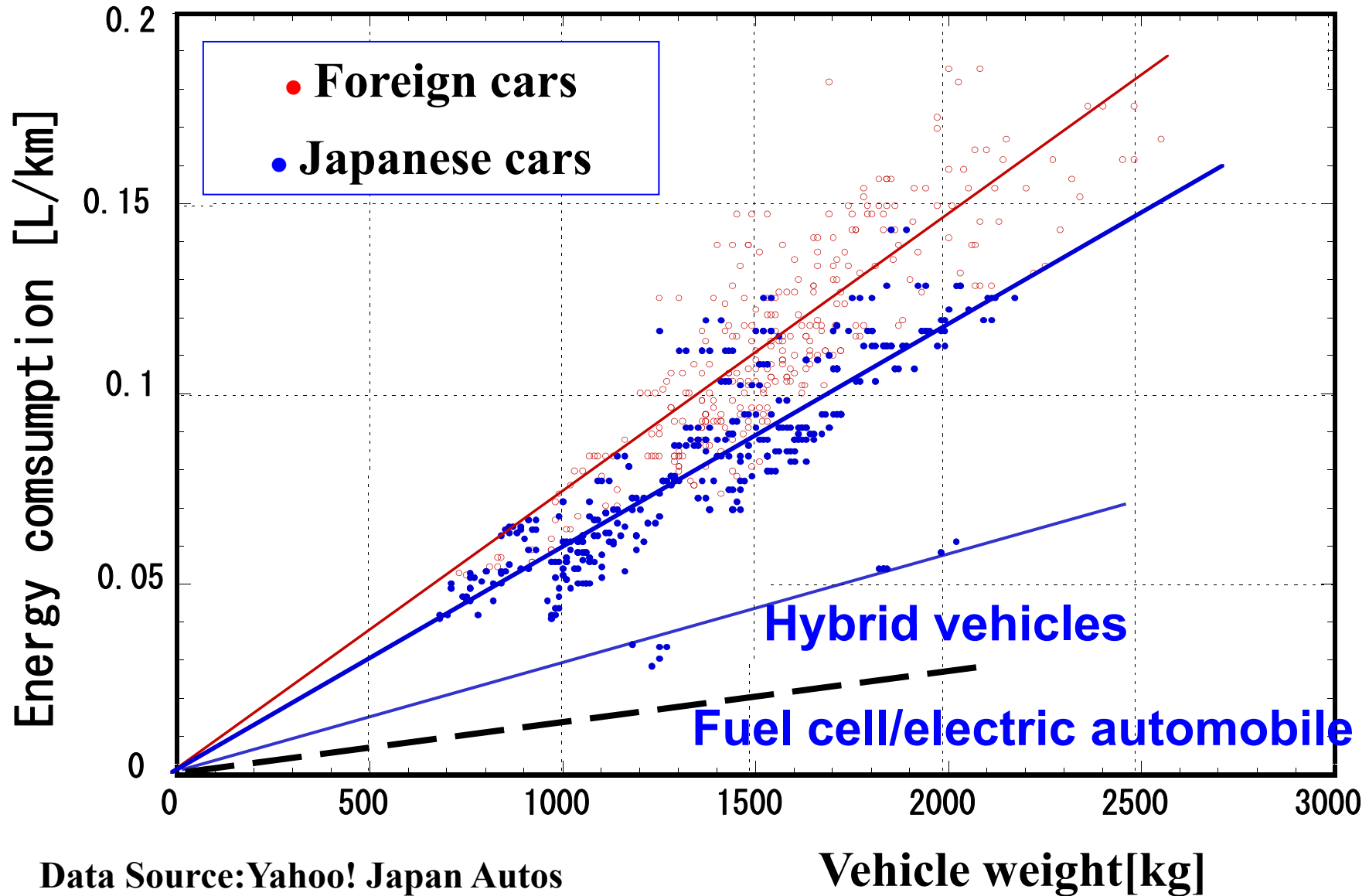
Cement: Nearly the theoretical limit



Source: Japan Cement Association

Expression is the essence

Automobiles :energy consumption could be 1/10

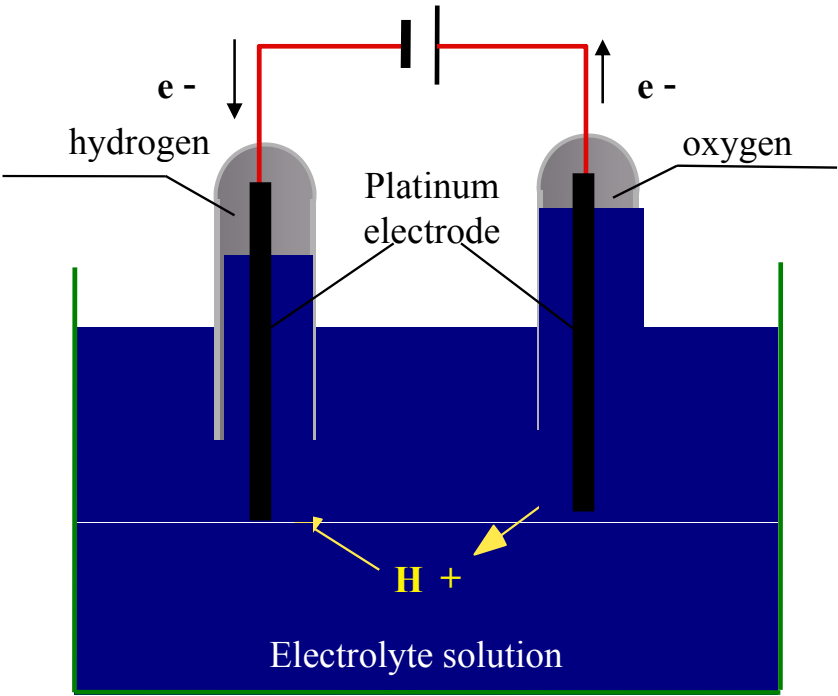


Energy efficiency of automobiles (tank to wheel)

Current vehicles	13%	unchanged
Limit of hybrid cars	35%	3 times
Electric automobile (energy generation rate: 55%)	50%	4倍
0.96V fuel cells	80%	6 times
half weighted		12 times

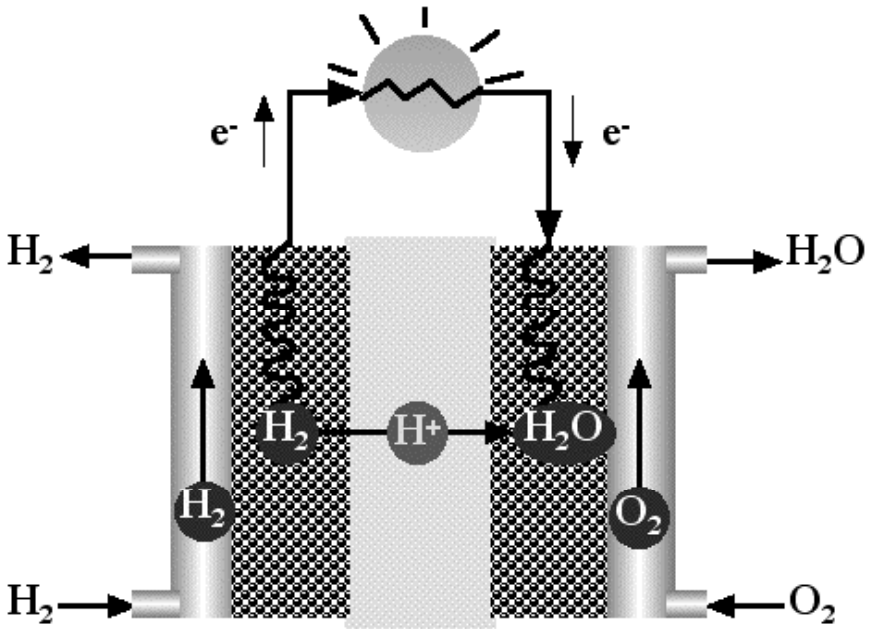
Theoretical value is zero → crosses the origin

Principles of fuel cells



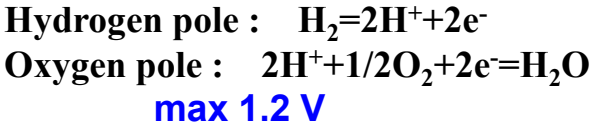
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Greater than 1.2 V is required

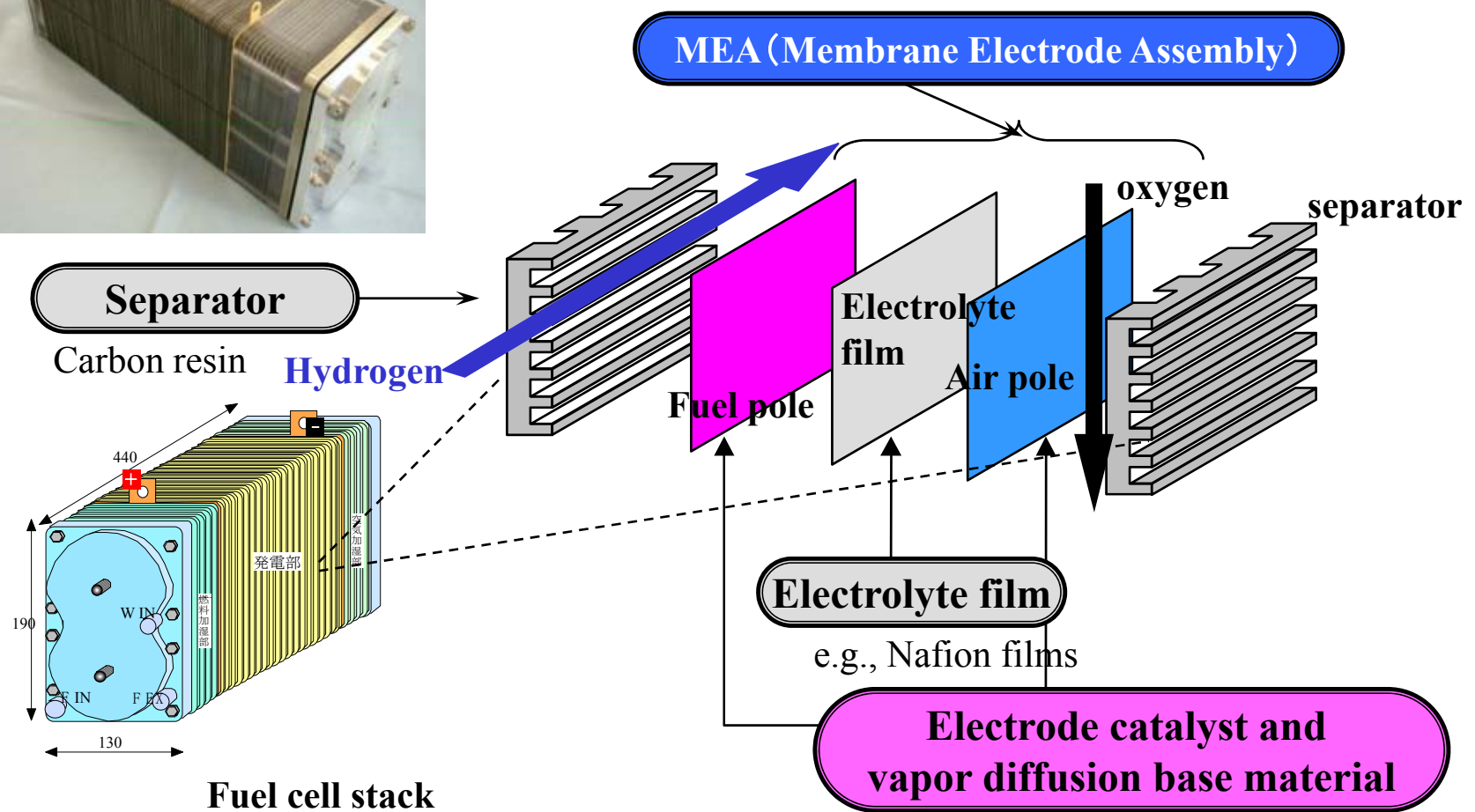


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Electrochemical reaction

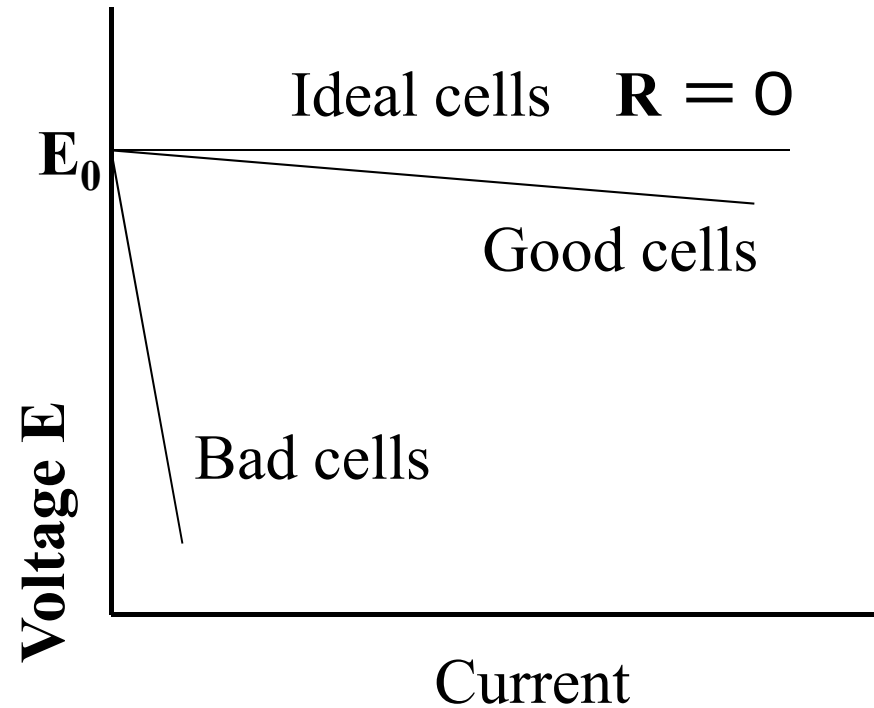
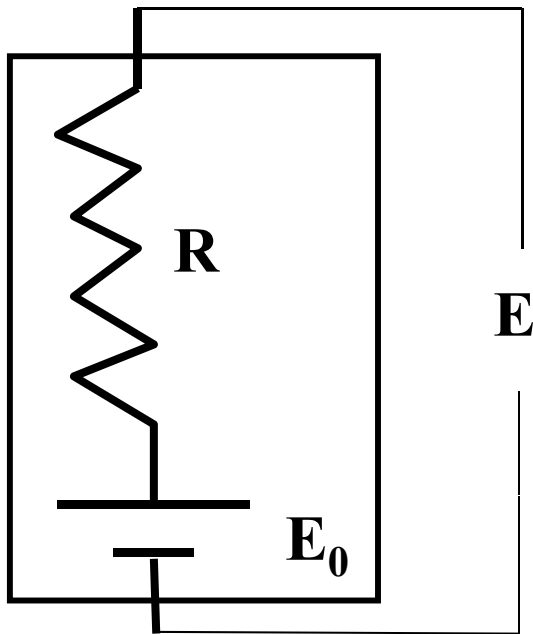


Fuel Cell System and Materials



‡ (sources: Mitsubishi Electric Corp.)
 Provided by Prof. Yamaguchi, Tokyo Institute of Technology

The cause of efficiency (E/E_0) drop is internal resistance



**Maximum efficiency is expected if the Electric current is zero, but it is useless.
(Electric voltage : E_0)**

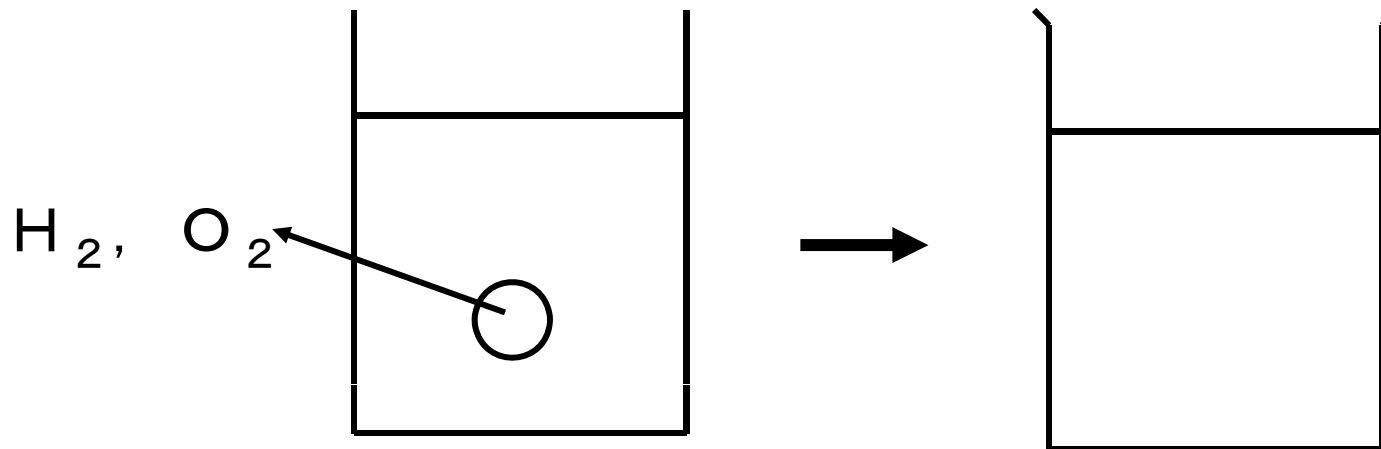
**the theory of energy is composed of:
“thermodynamics” and ”kinetics”**

Thermodynamics : idealistic

Kinetics : realistic

Low Efficiency Processes

- 1 A fuel cell with electromotive force of 0.12 volts → 10% efficiency
- 2 Ignite in water and simply keep burning → 0% efficiency



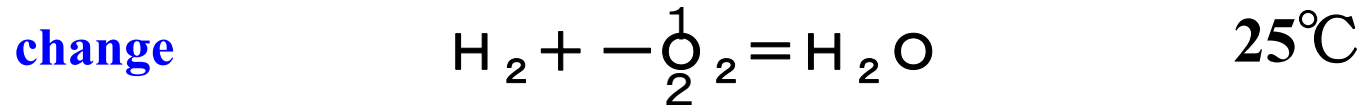
Ignition

Practically, there is no change.

Hydrogen and oxygen become water at 25°C.

Infinite processes that is not in ideal conditions

Thermodynamics: an idealization



changes during the process

do not have any effect in thermodynamics

Energy generation = electric + shaft work + light + sound + · · · + heat

$$\Delta H \text{ (constant)} = \Delta G + T\Delta S$$



The maximum value of all work (except for heat)!

$$\text{Maximum theoretical efficiency} = \frac{\Delta G}{\Delta H}$$

In the case of the fuel cell: **1.2V**

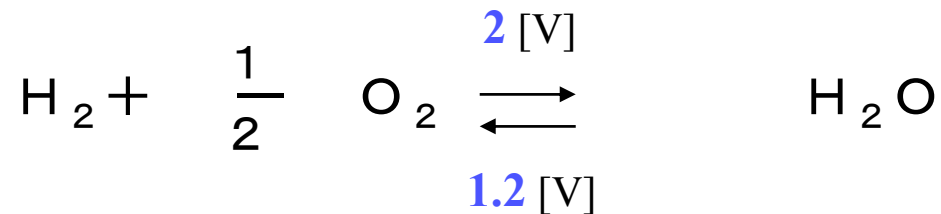
$$1.2 \times (2 \times 96500) = 237\text{kJ} = \Delta G$$

Not yet fully proved

Water electrolysis minimum **1.2** [V] 25°C

Minimum energy = **1.2** [V] × Current[A]

If we can create a fuel cell that generates **2** [V],



Single operation of water electrolysis and fuel cell can yield the energy of: **0.8**
[V] × current

Which in fact violates the law of conservation of energy and matter → it must be impossible

Fuel cell of **1.2** [V] possesses the maximum energy conversion efficiency.

Expectations for Fuel Cells

although the theoretical efficiency are the same,

Power generation can be achieved by rotating the shaft of a generator.←bicycles

Thermal power generation←the turbines are spinning via steam power and combustion gas.

←Ideal conditions can be obtained by increase of temperature

Steam turbines: limit of steam temperature

gas turbines: limit in materials

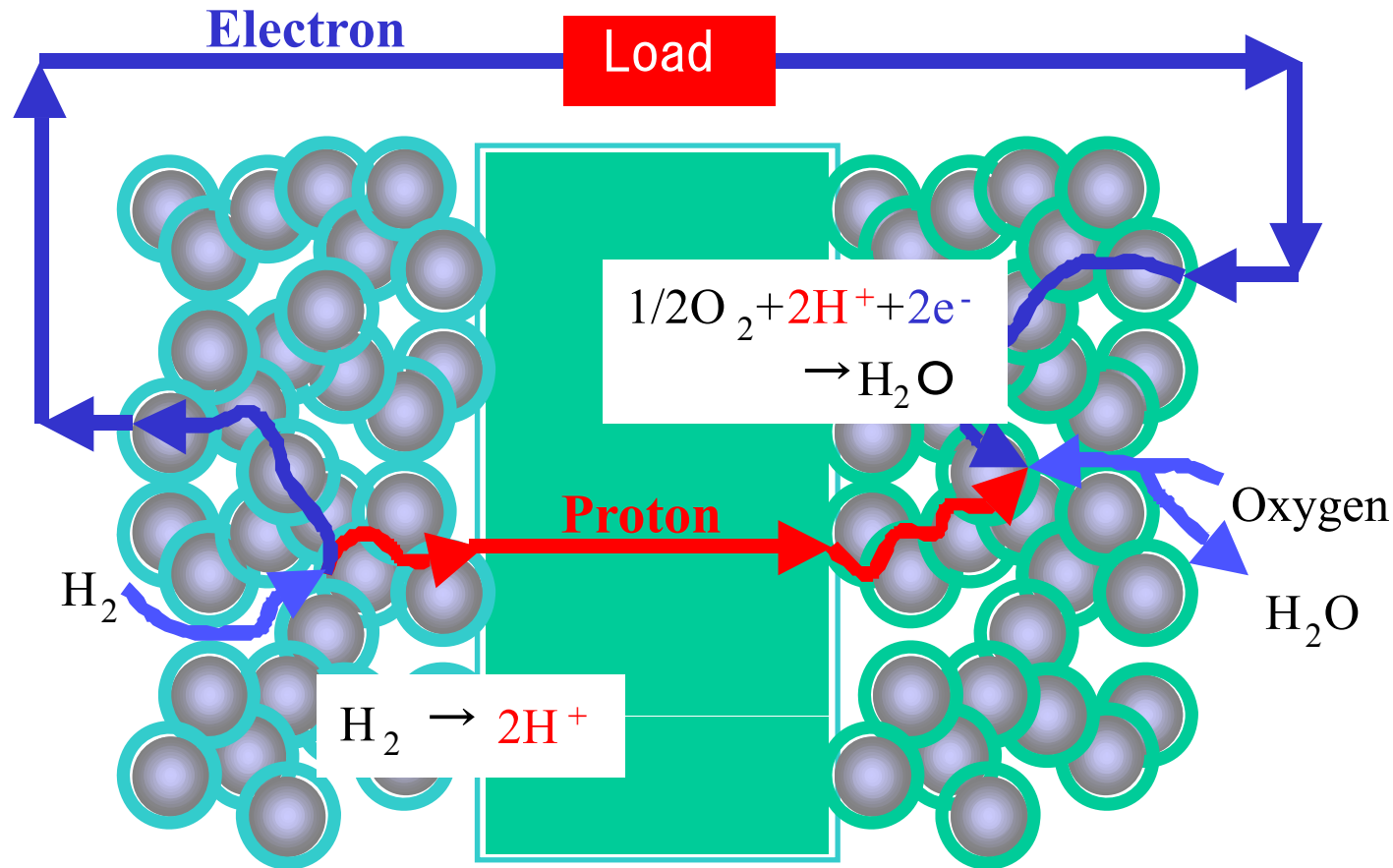
Fuel cells←there is no restriction of temperature

because there is no heat conversion concerned in the reaction

- possibility of efficient power generation at low temperature
- the solutions for efficiency improvement may become clear.
- Applications of miniaturizations, mobiles, dispersed stationary-types, and portable generators.

Be able to corresponds with the load fluctuation.

Nature is described by the kinetic theory



Hydrogen pole membrane Oxygen pole

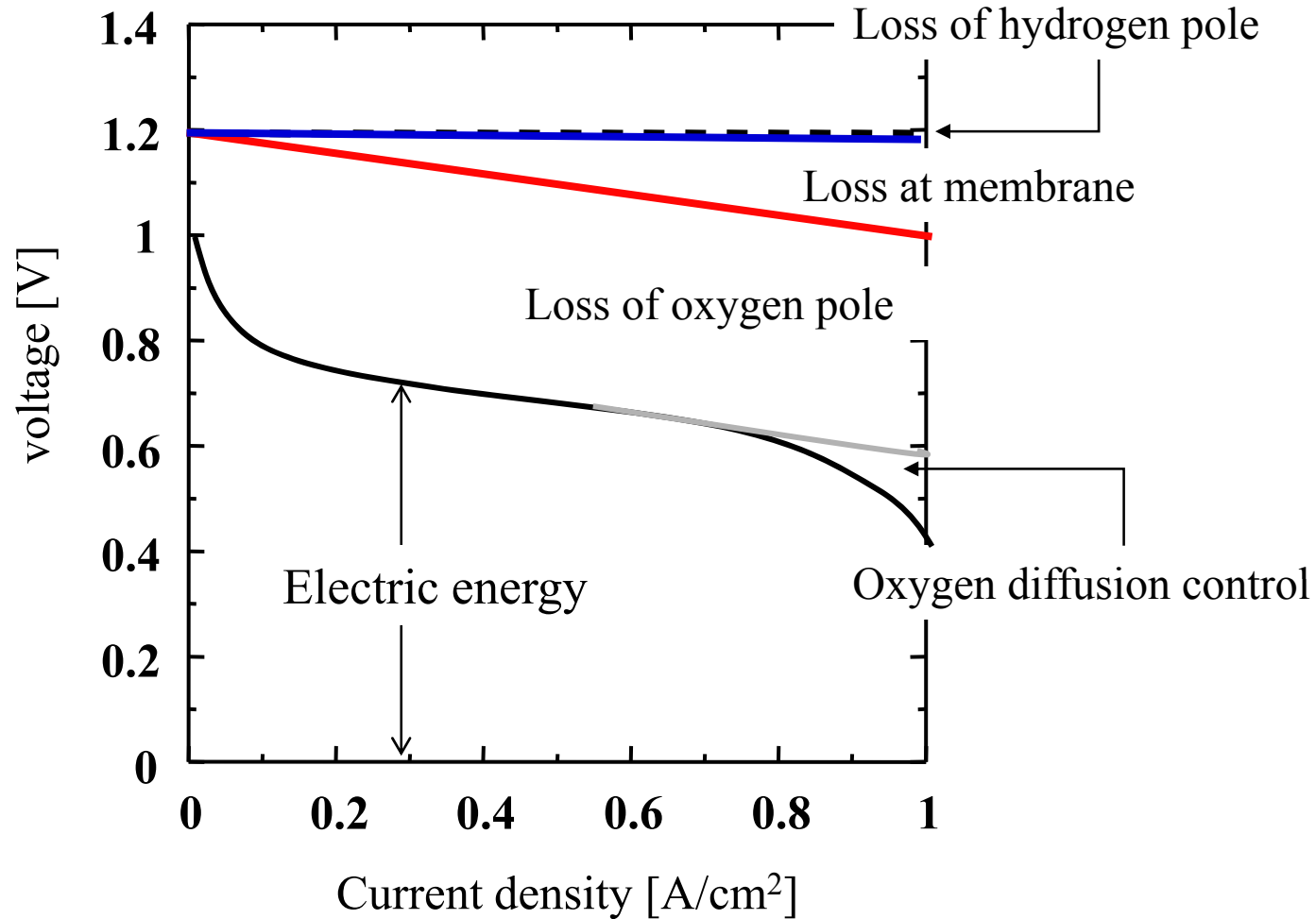
The true nature of Internal resistance can be the resistance of diffusion and reaction

Electric voltage (=concentration) drops where the resistance is large

‡ Provided by Prof. Yamaguchi, Tokyo Institute of Technology

Internal Resistance Analysis

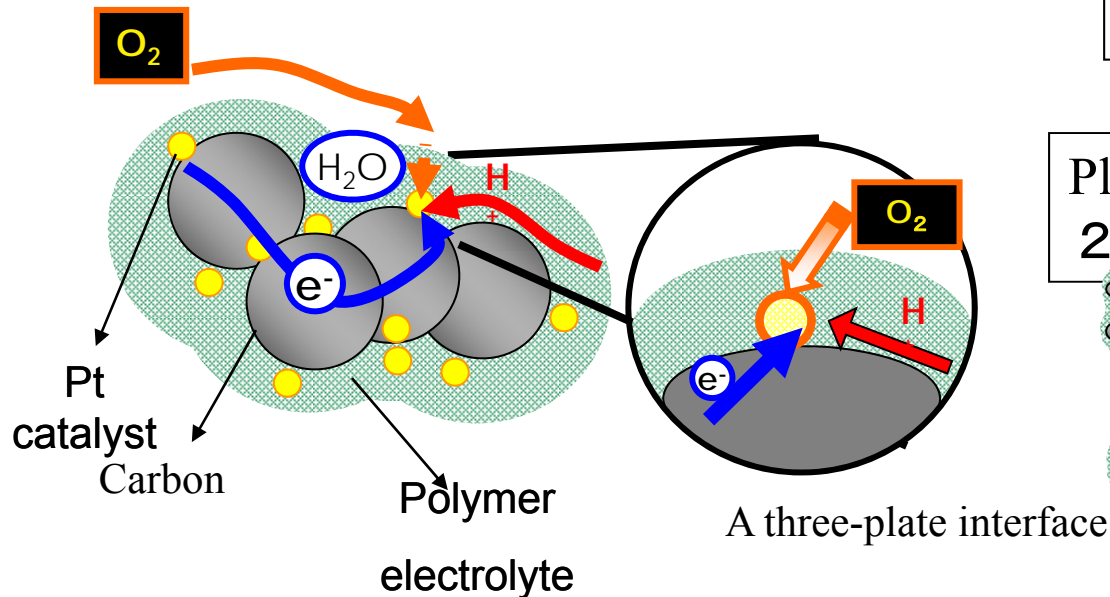
0.01A/cm² (it is possible now)



Improvement is necessary for Oxygen pole → Membrane

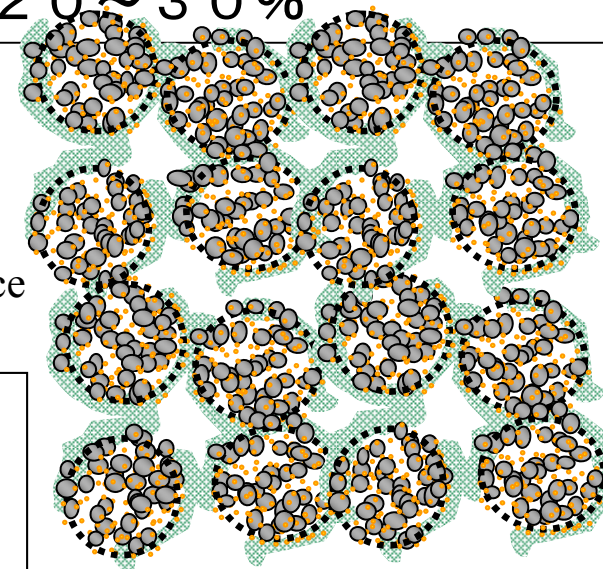
The molecules, ions, and electrons are being contacted with Platinum, Electrolyte, and Gas simultaneously

Nano-level structure of catalytic layers



Carbon carrier reduces agglutination so that polymer electrolyte cannot go in.

Platinum utilization factor is 20 ~ 30 %



Electrolyte membrane

Nano-structural treatment is made to improve utilization rate at atomic level.

Size of carbon carrier : 30 nm

Pt catalyst particle size : 2 ~ 3 nm ←

almost 100% exposure.

**Q: what is the theoretical energy
Consumed in cement production?**

Hint 1: cement: limestone ->calcium oxide

**Hint 2: energy dissipated in crush and deformation
is assumed to be zero**

Let's return to the main subject...

**skepticism arises with
rapidly increasing knowledge**

**There are many ways of thinking,
complicated phenomena,
No absolute truth**

**“common sense may be wrong”
“Both arguments should be included”**

IPPC concluded with 95% reliability

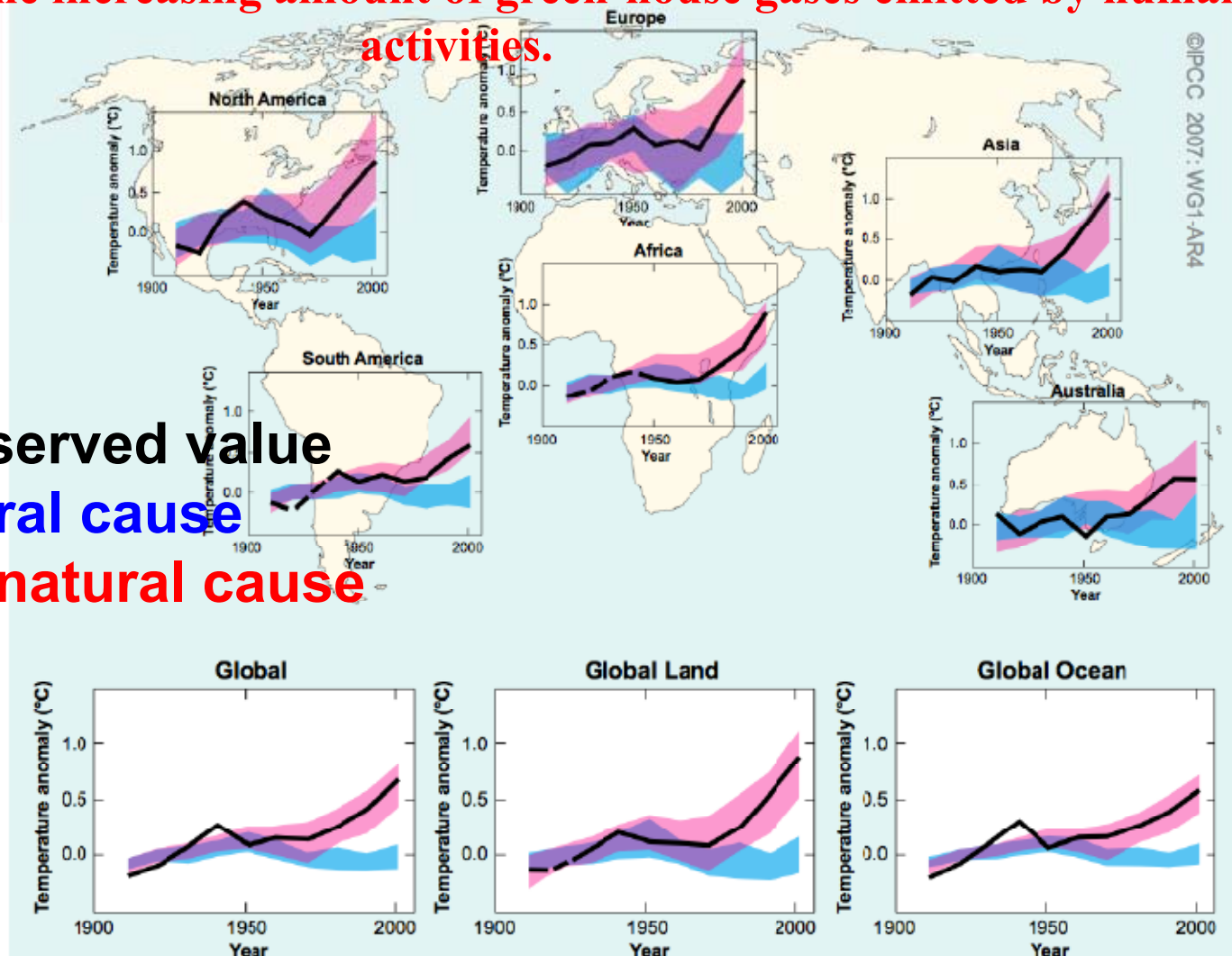
There is little room for skepticism

<http://www.cir.tohoku.ac.jp/~asuka/>

Global Climate Change (Temperature)

–Observations and simulations–

It is quite likely that the rise in global average temperature observed after mid 1970s is due to the increasing amount of green-house gases emitted by human activities.



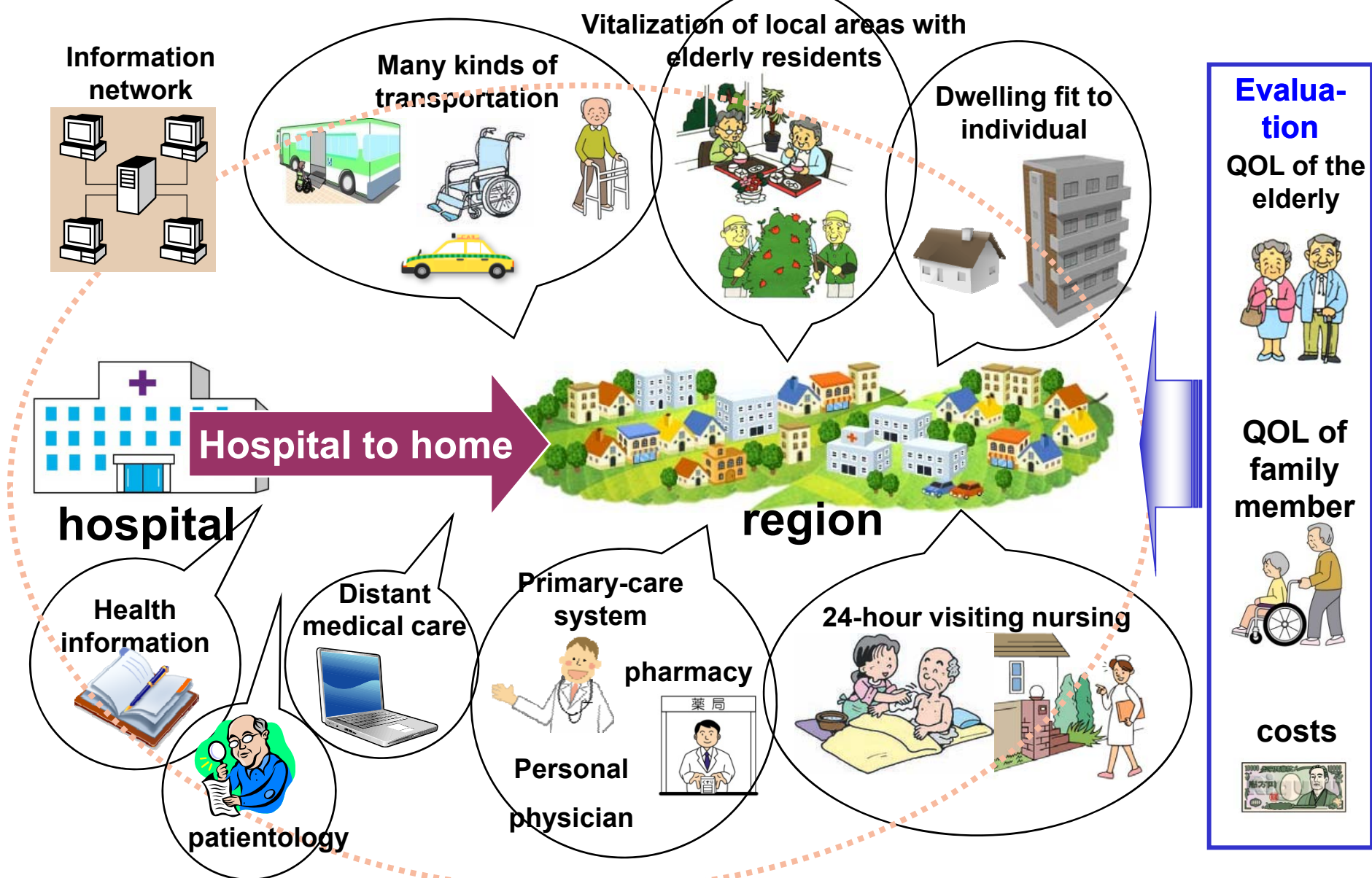
Solid line: observed value

Blue: natural cause

Red: Human + natural cause

‡From UCAR

Gerontology international hub: people worldwide are paying attention to UT

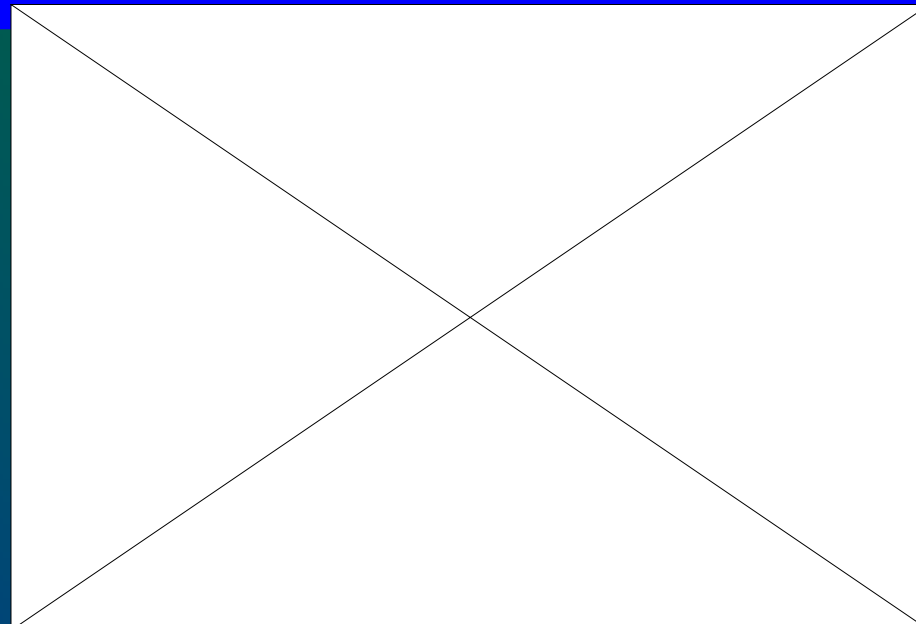
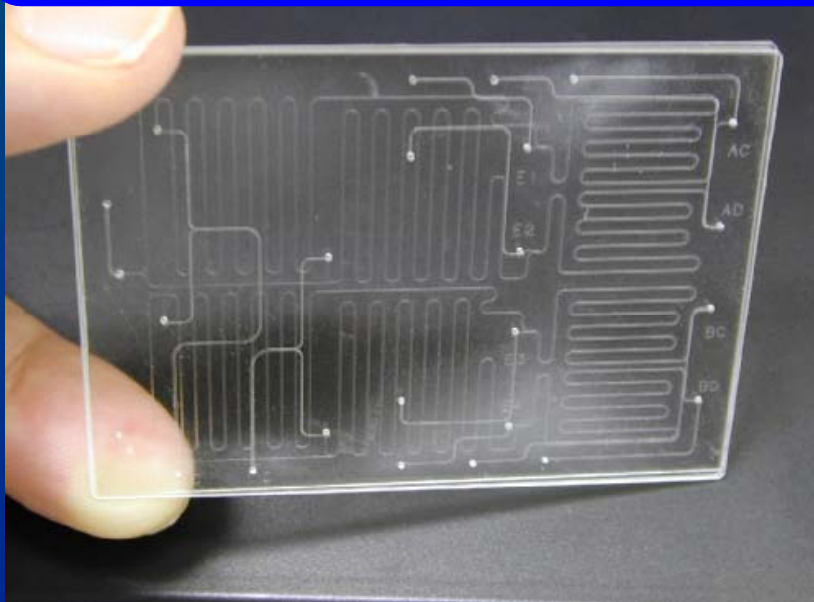


Swedish Parliament members visit



‡Information and Robot Technology Research Initiative

Examples of Micro-chemical Chips with Three-dimensional Structure



Advantages:

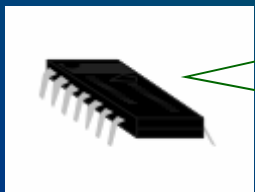
- High-function
- High-controllability
- High-designability

Unique technologies:

- Micro unit operation (MUO)
- Continuous-flow chemical process (CFCP)
- Thermal lens microscope (TLM)

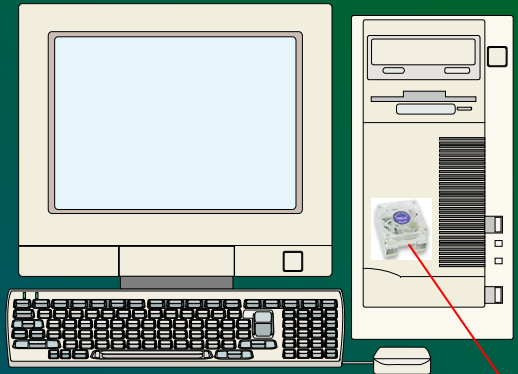
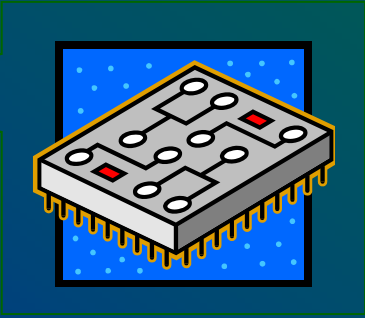
Analogy of Electronics and Micro-chemical Chips

Electronics



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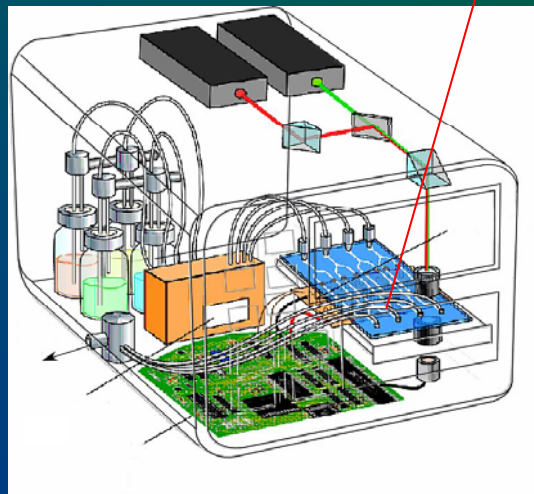
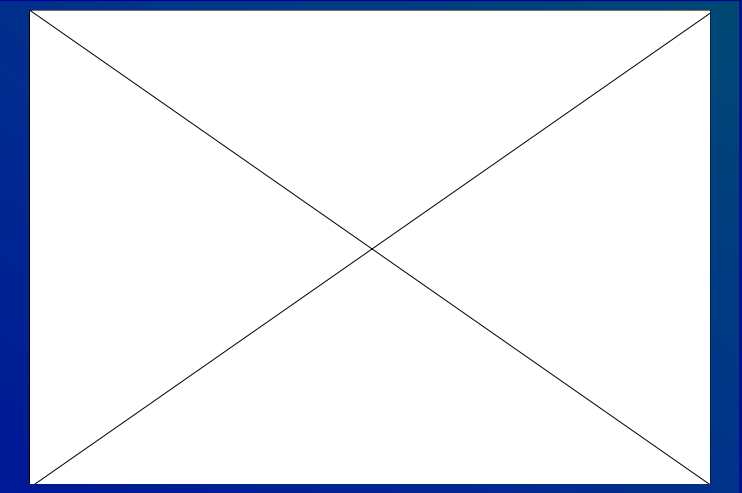
Resistances, Capacitors, Diodes



CPU

Microchemical Chips




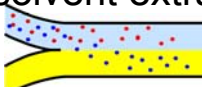

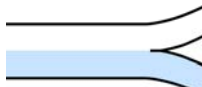
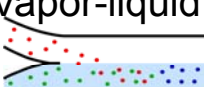
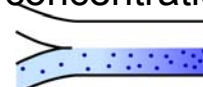

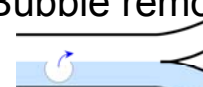
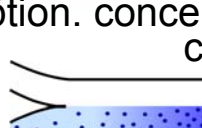
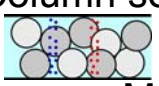
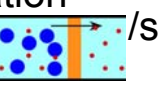
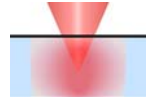
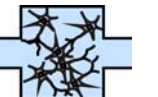
Reaction, extraction, purification, and distillation



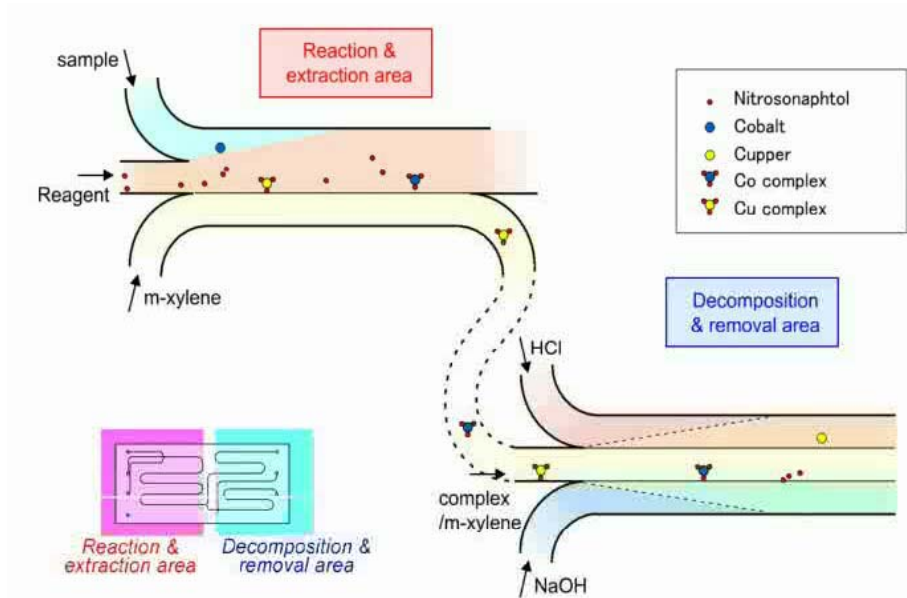
Integrated component of Micro-chemical chips , chemical unit operation

**Micro Unit Operation (MUO)
= Integrated components**

Continuous-Flow Chemical Process (CFCP) = Integrated circuit

Liquid-Liquid	Phase confluence 	Phase separation 
	Mixing and reaction 	Molecular transport/ solvent extraction 
Gas-Liquid	Phase confluence 	Phase separation 
	Vapor-liquid reaction 	Evaporation/ concentration 
	Absorption. concentration distillation 	Bubble removal 
	condensation 	
Solid-Liquid	Column separation 	Molecular trapping /solid phase extraction 
Other	Membrane separation heating 	Cell cultivation 

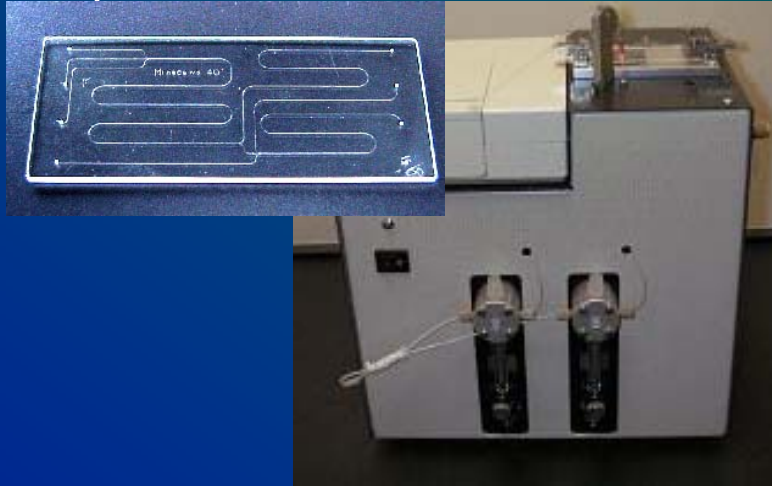
► unrestricted combination of MUO
using multiphase microflows
=chemical ICs



Bio instrument with micro chemical chip

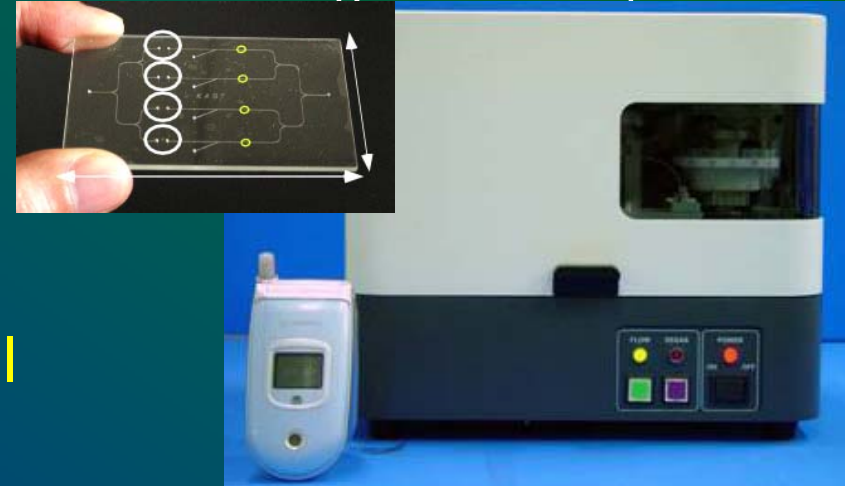
μ -Extraction chip

Super-small environmental water analyzer



μ -ELISA chip

Micro diagnostic analyzer



Small

Fast

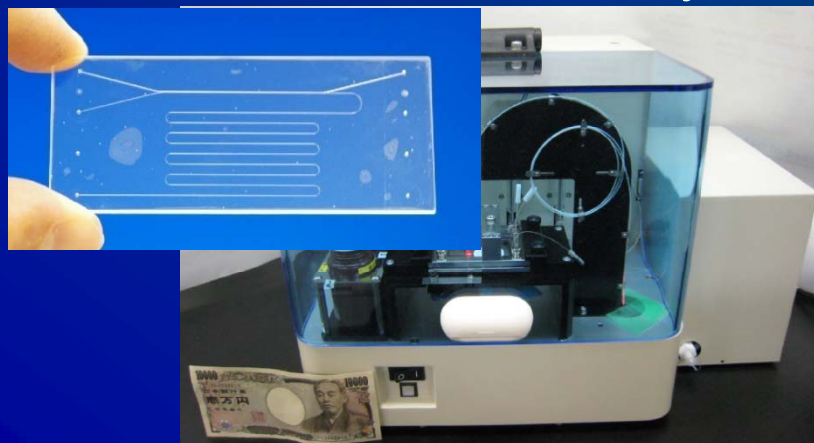
Easy

Desktop chemical plant

(gel microparticle production 30t/year)

μ -Gas extraction chip

Clean-room ammonia analyzer



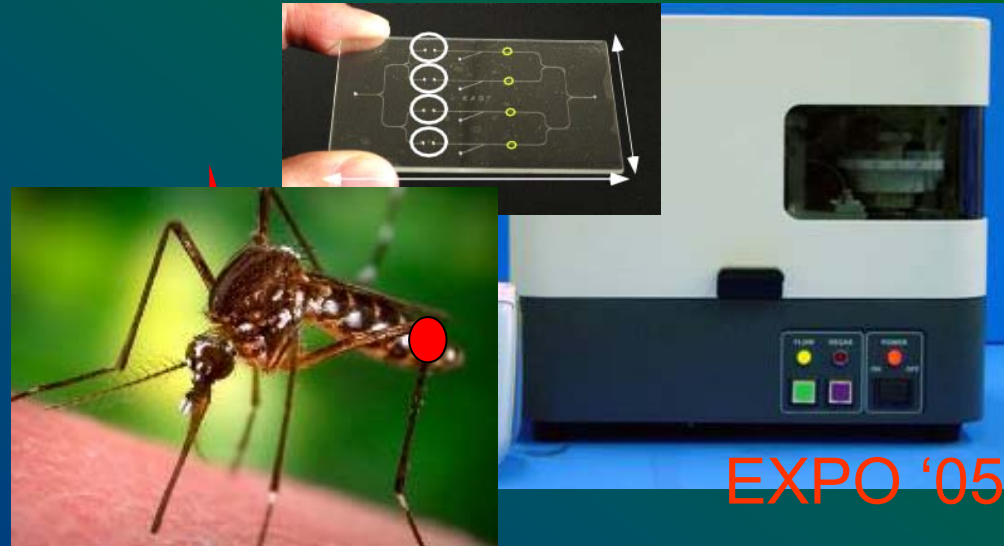
Example 1: microdiagnostics system

cancer, allergies, liver disease, heart trouble etc.

Conventional machine

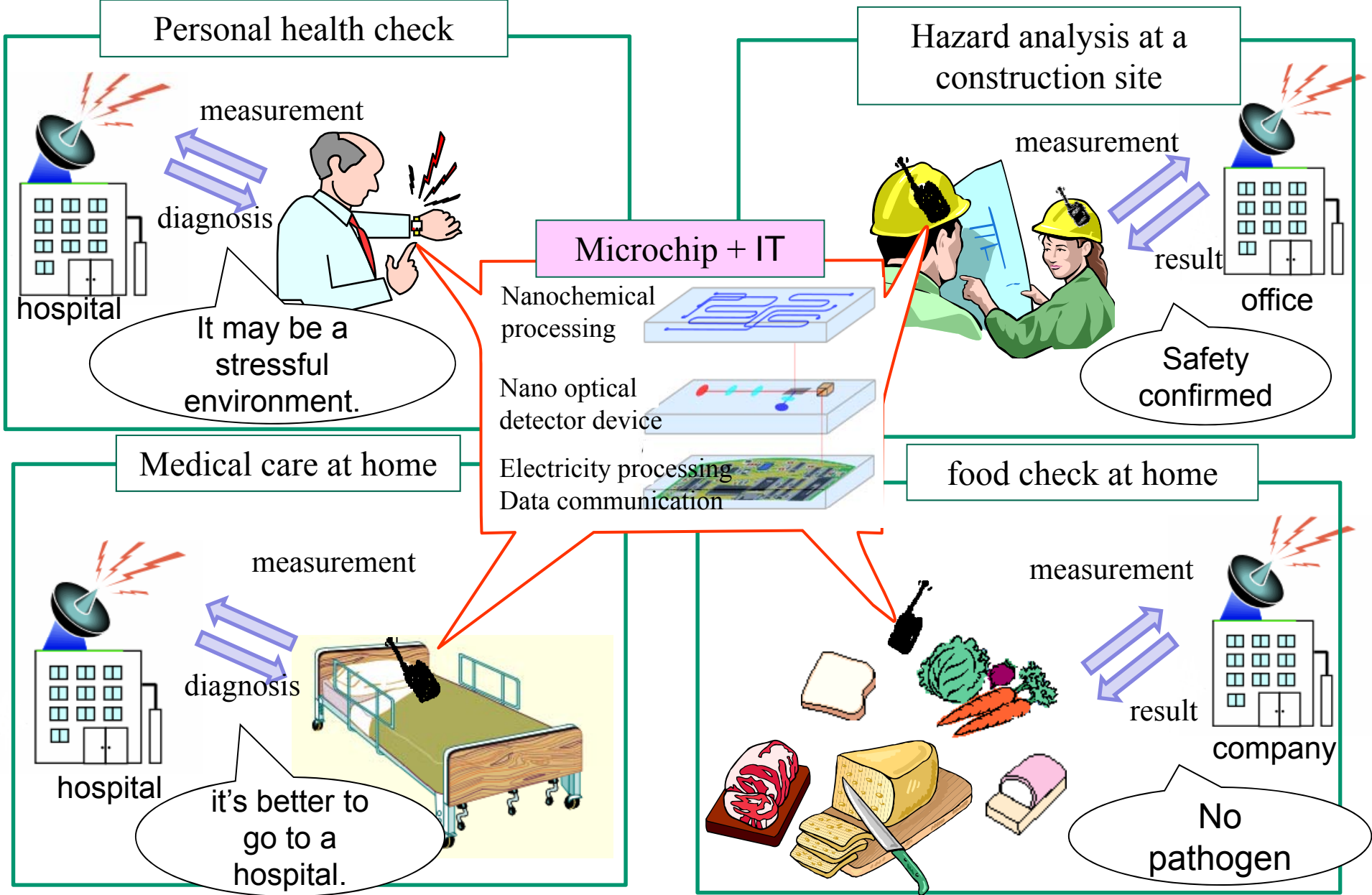


Microchip machine



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|----------------|------------------------|---|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| • blood needed | : mL | → | less than μL | no pain |
| • promptness | : days and hours | → | minutes and seconds | on site |
| • operated by | : professionals | → | laymen | |
| • prices | : ¥10 million~ | → | ~¥0.1 million | |
| • user | : hospitals, companies | → | individual | personalizing the checkup |

Contribution to a safer society analysis and diagnostics using devices on a network system

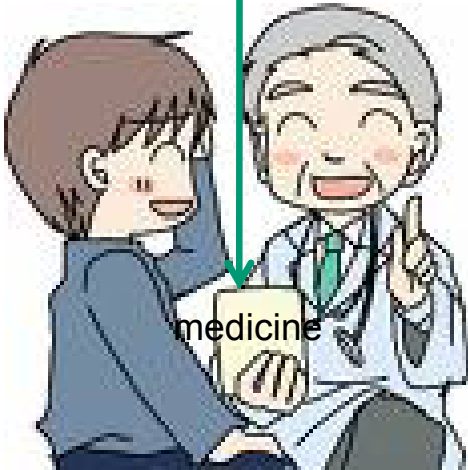
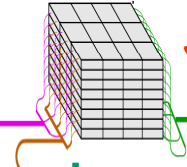


Contribution to Chemical syntheses, pharmaceutical technologies, resources /energy problems

Chemical synthesis, medicine manufacture

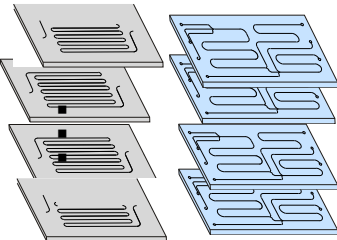
Resources, energy

Medicine synthesis plant at a hospital

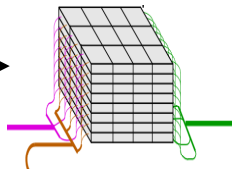


Micro chemical plant

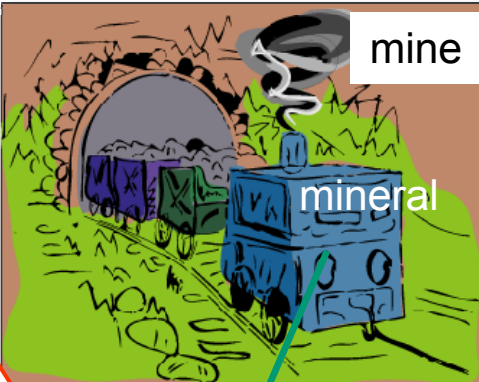
microchip



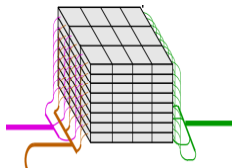
Micro chemical plant



integration



Solvent extraction plant



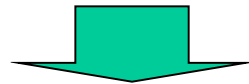
On demand preparation of short-period radioactive diagnostic medicine tailor-made medicine

Collecting valuable resources with low energy consumption (uranium, raremetals)

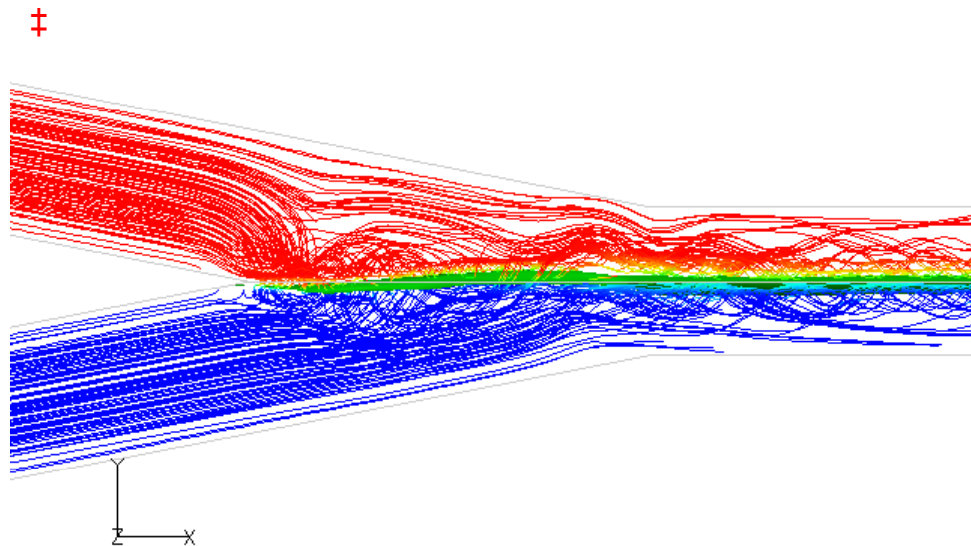
Two-phase flow in micro-channel — streamline tracing —

Ordinary system

- gravity does no work but instead, interfacial tension governs the flow → aligned both left and right
- Reynolds number can be 5 at its best → laminar flow

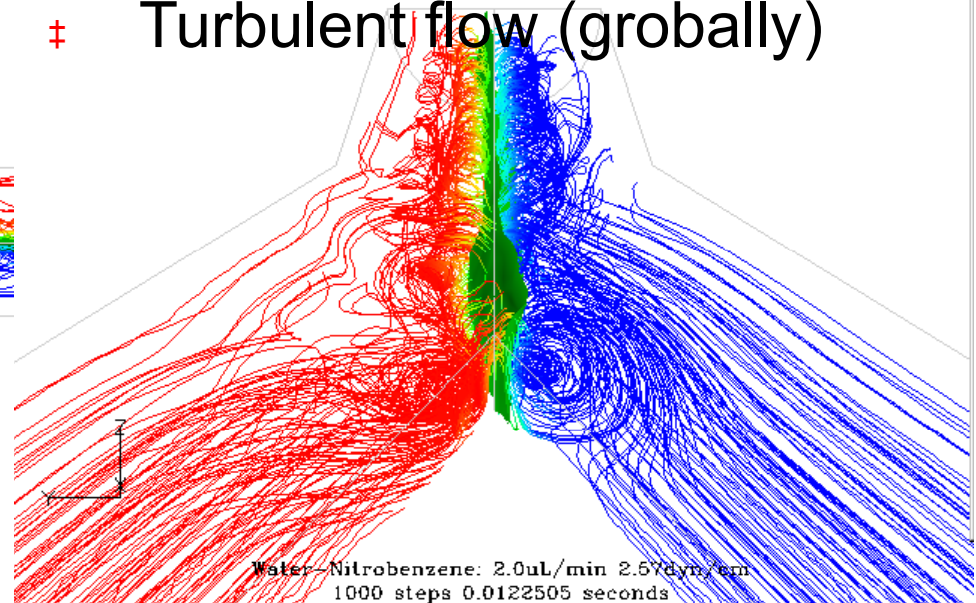


- the interface of laminar flow is stirred → it appears as turbulent flow (extraordinary)



Water-Nitrobenzene: 2.0uL/min 2.57dyn/cm
1000 steps 0.0122505 seconds

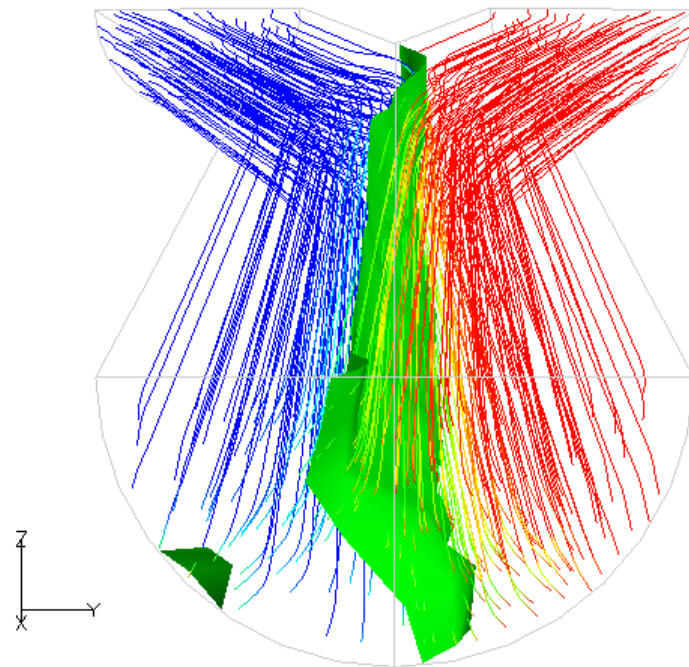
Laminar flow (locally)
Turbulent flow (globally)



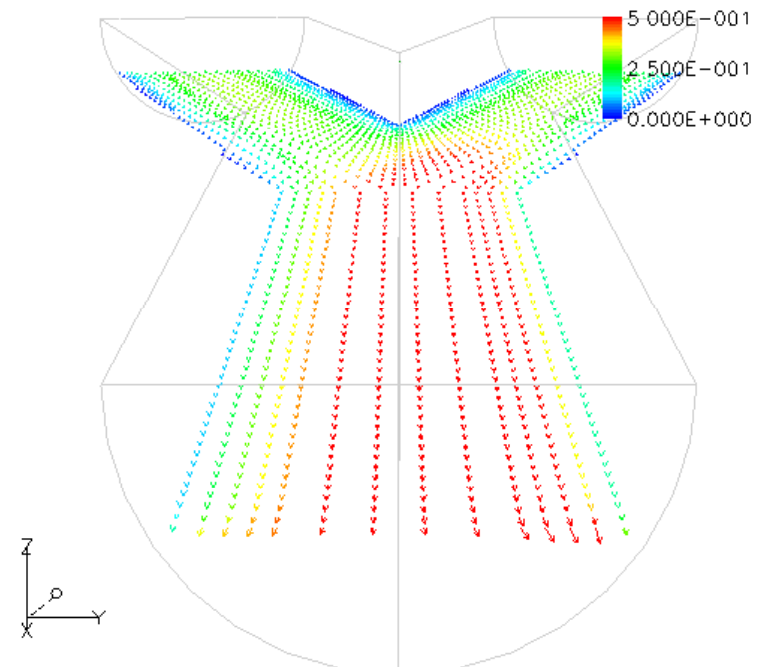
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Three-dimensional simulation of micro-two-phase flow

Laminar flow (no turbulence) in
macroscopic world



Water-Nitrobenzene: 2.0uL/min 0.0dyn/cm
1000 steps 0.233107 seconds



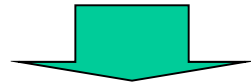
Water-Nitrobenzene: 2.0uL/min 0.0dyn/cm
20 steps 0.00230042 seconds



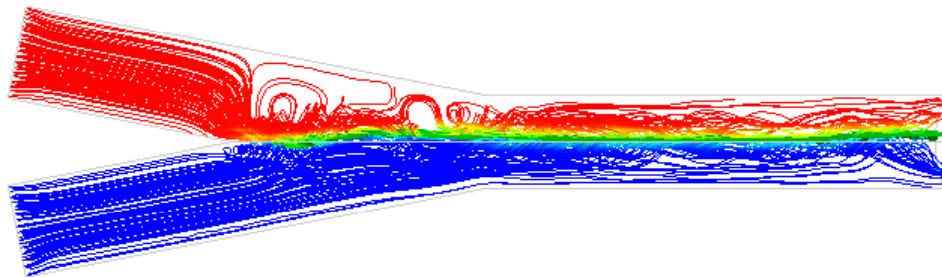
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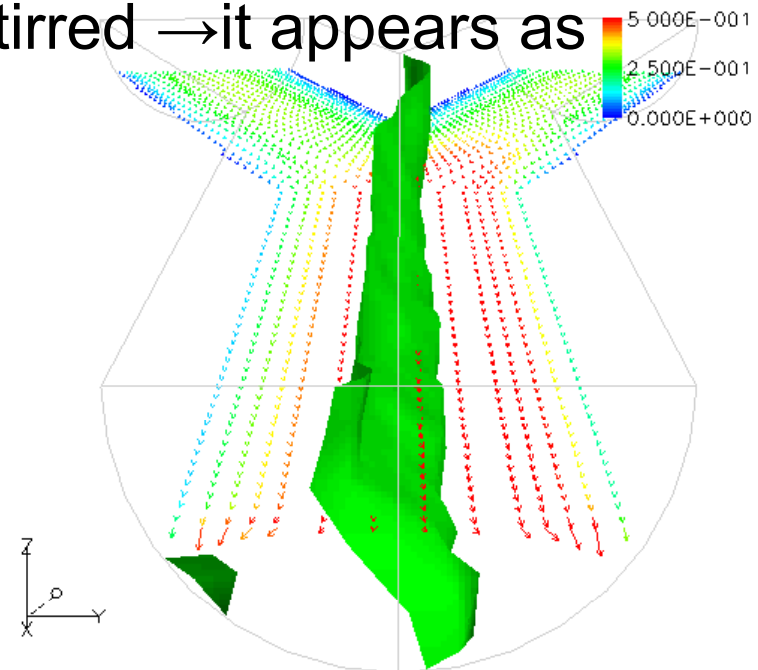


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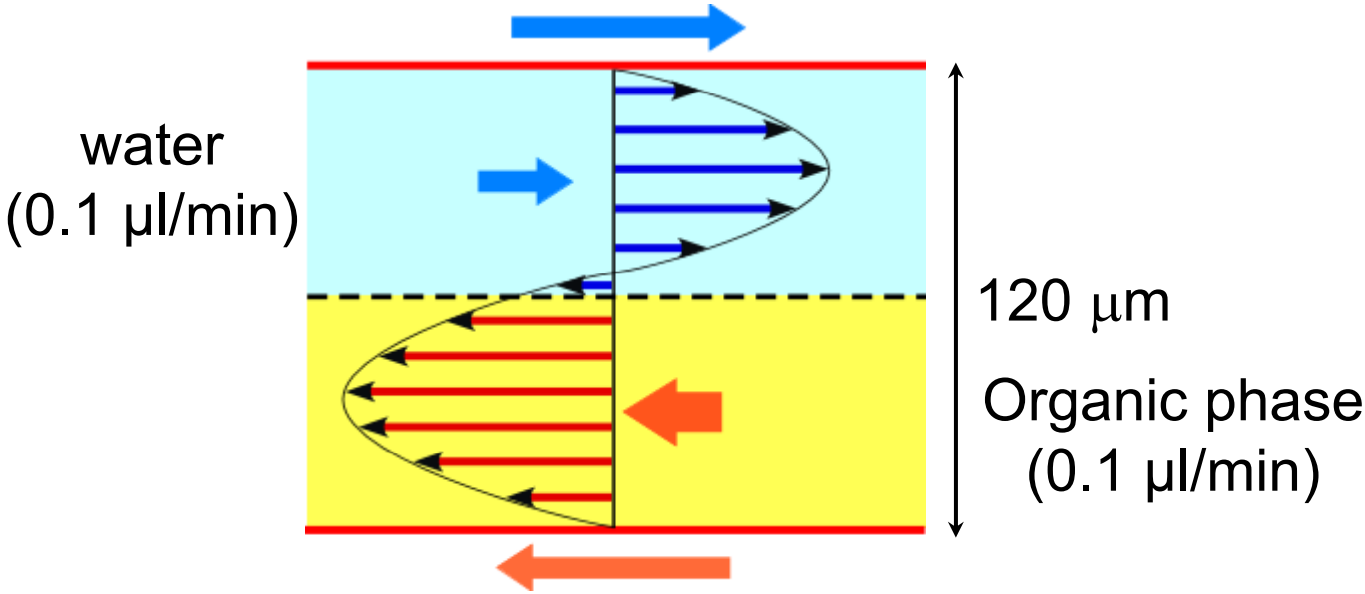
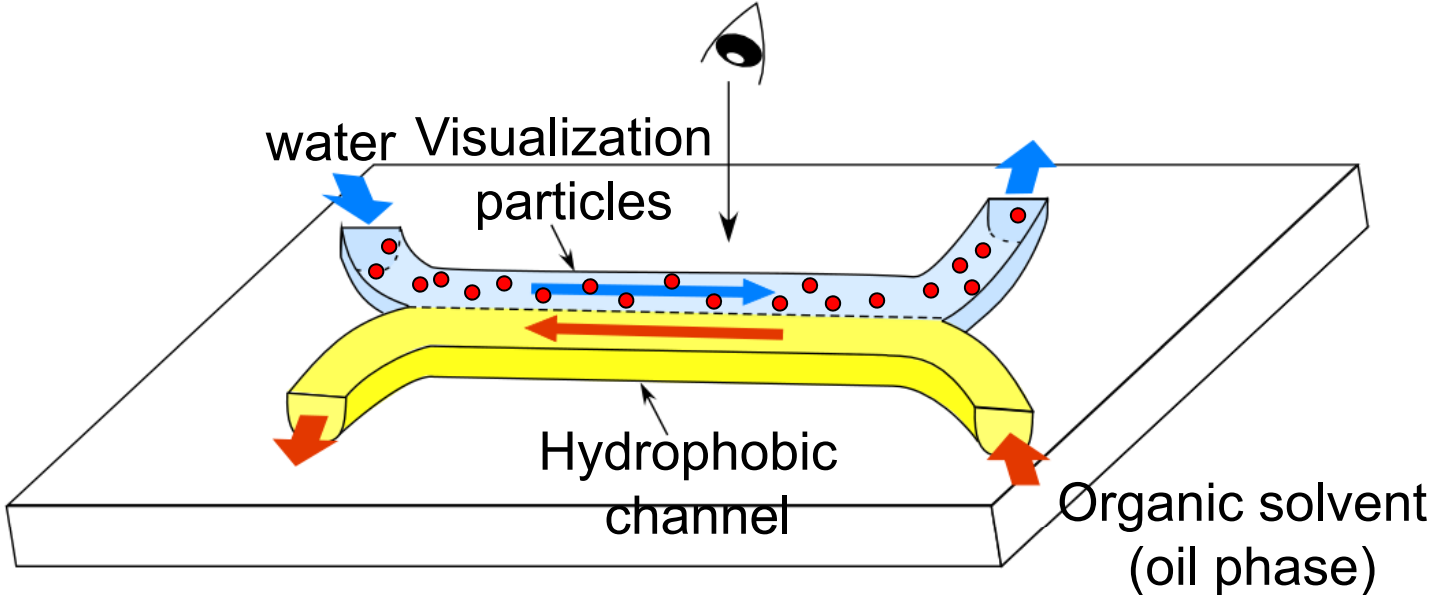
Water-Nitrobenzene: 2.0uL/min 2.57dyn/cm
1000 steps 0.0065727 seconds



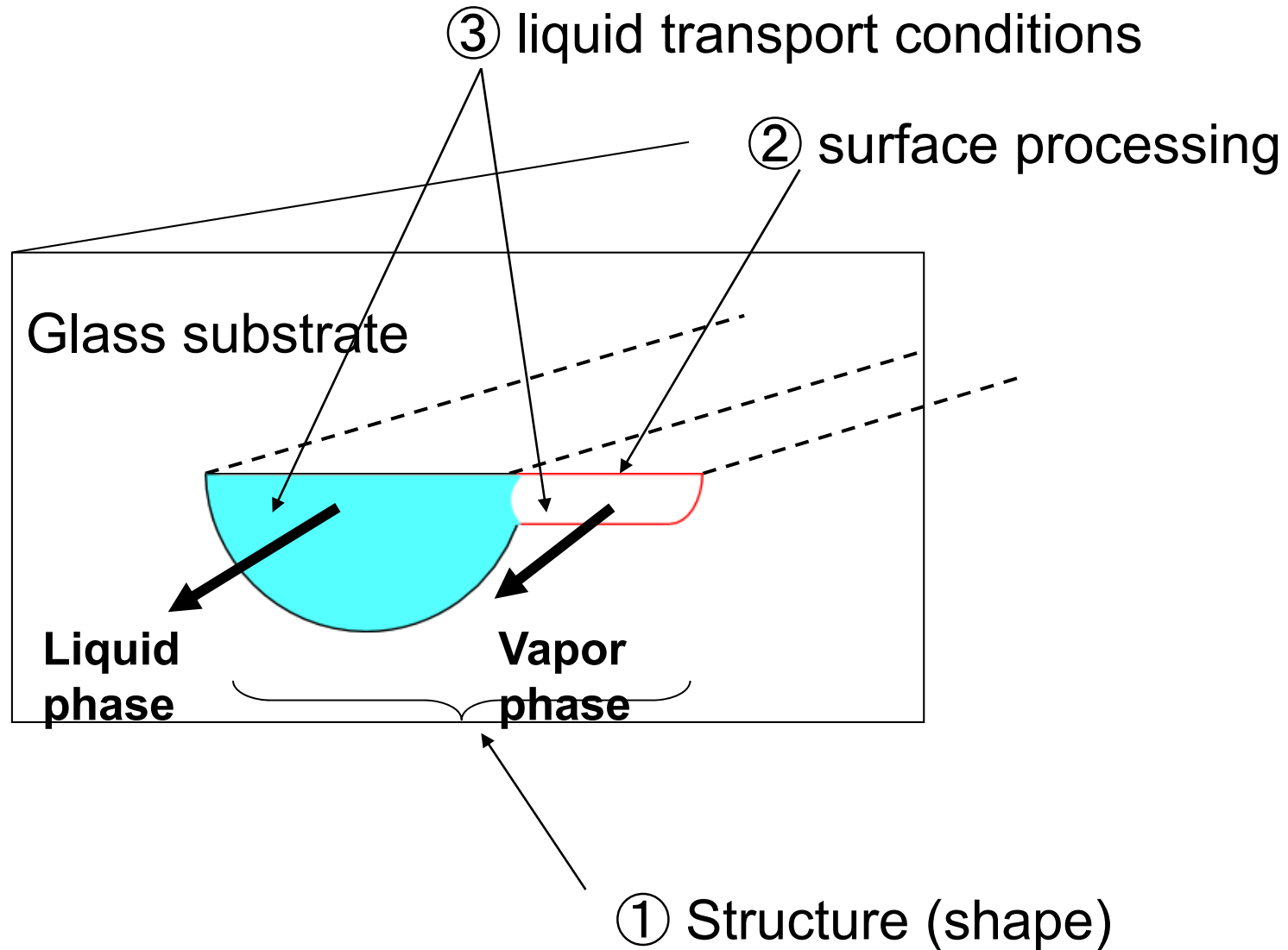
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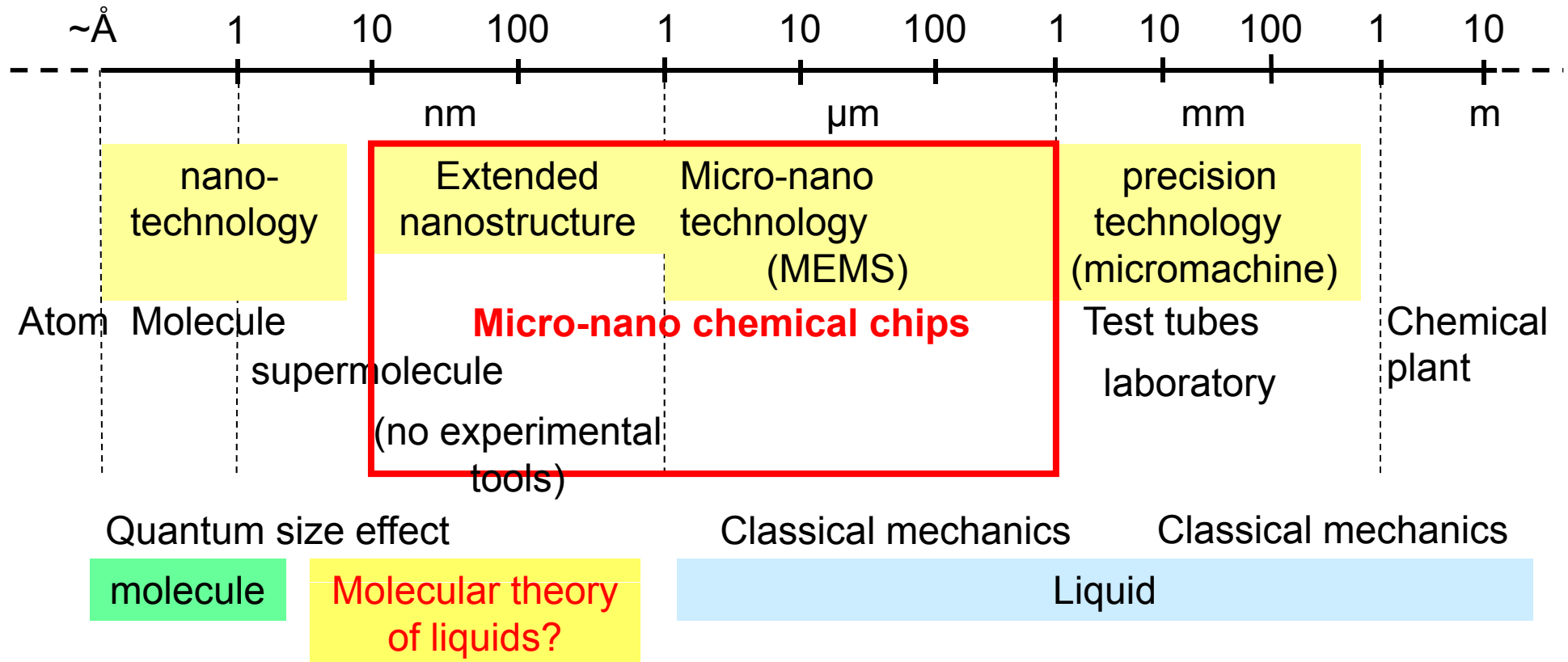
Water and Oil counter-flow



Parallel flow implementation of vapor phase and liquid phase (three conditions)



Size hierarchy and micro-nano chemical chips



- Characteristics of the extended nanostructure:
- Nano-liquid properties
 - Liquid structure of nano-space
 - Reactions

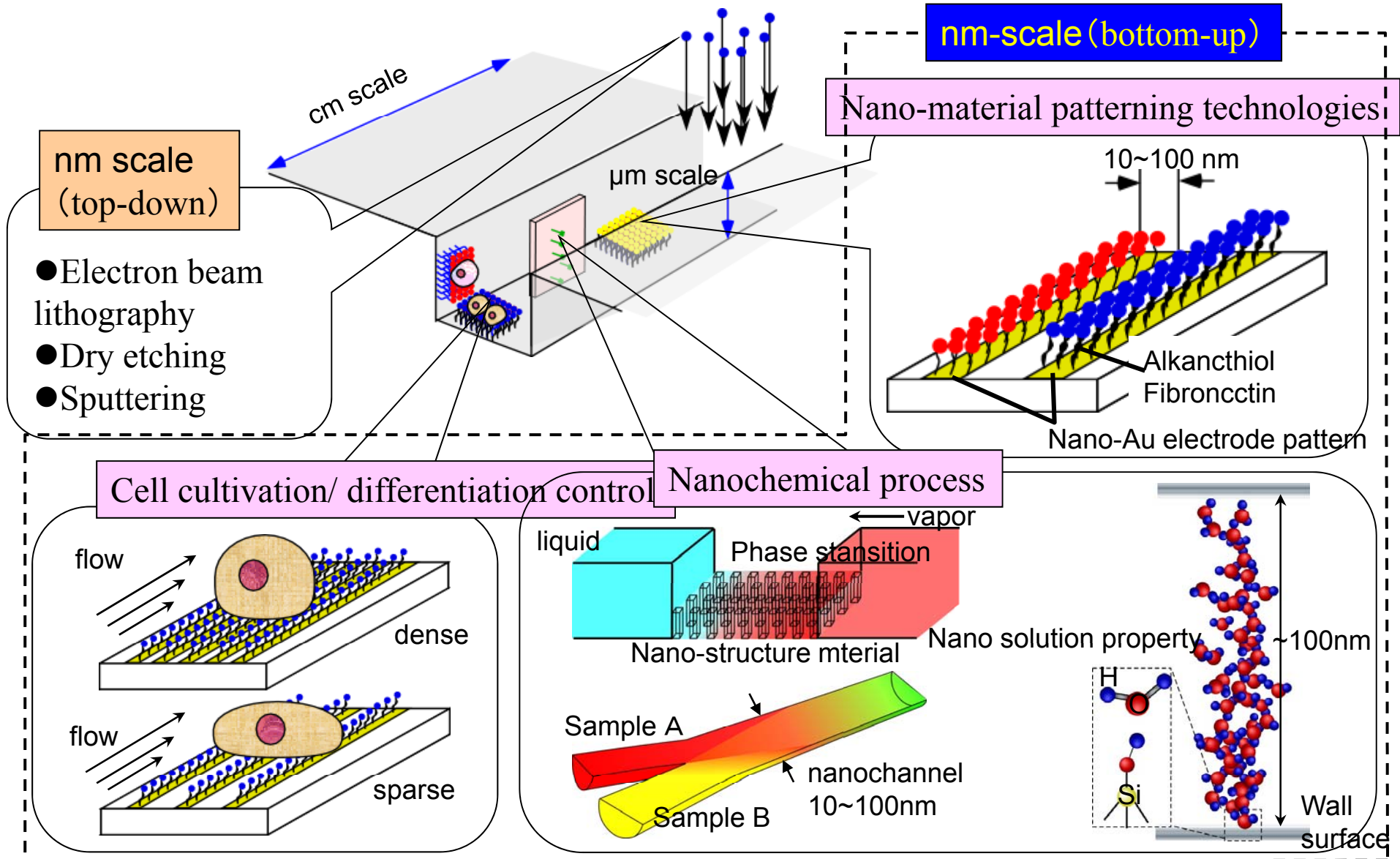
No conventional knowledge has been developed yet.

- Characteristics of micro-space:
- small materials with extremely short energy diffusion distance
 - Gravity \ll interfacial tension
 - Laminar flow

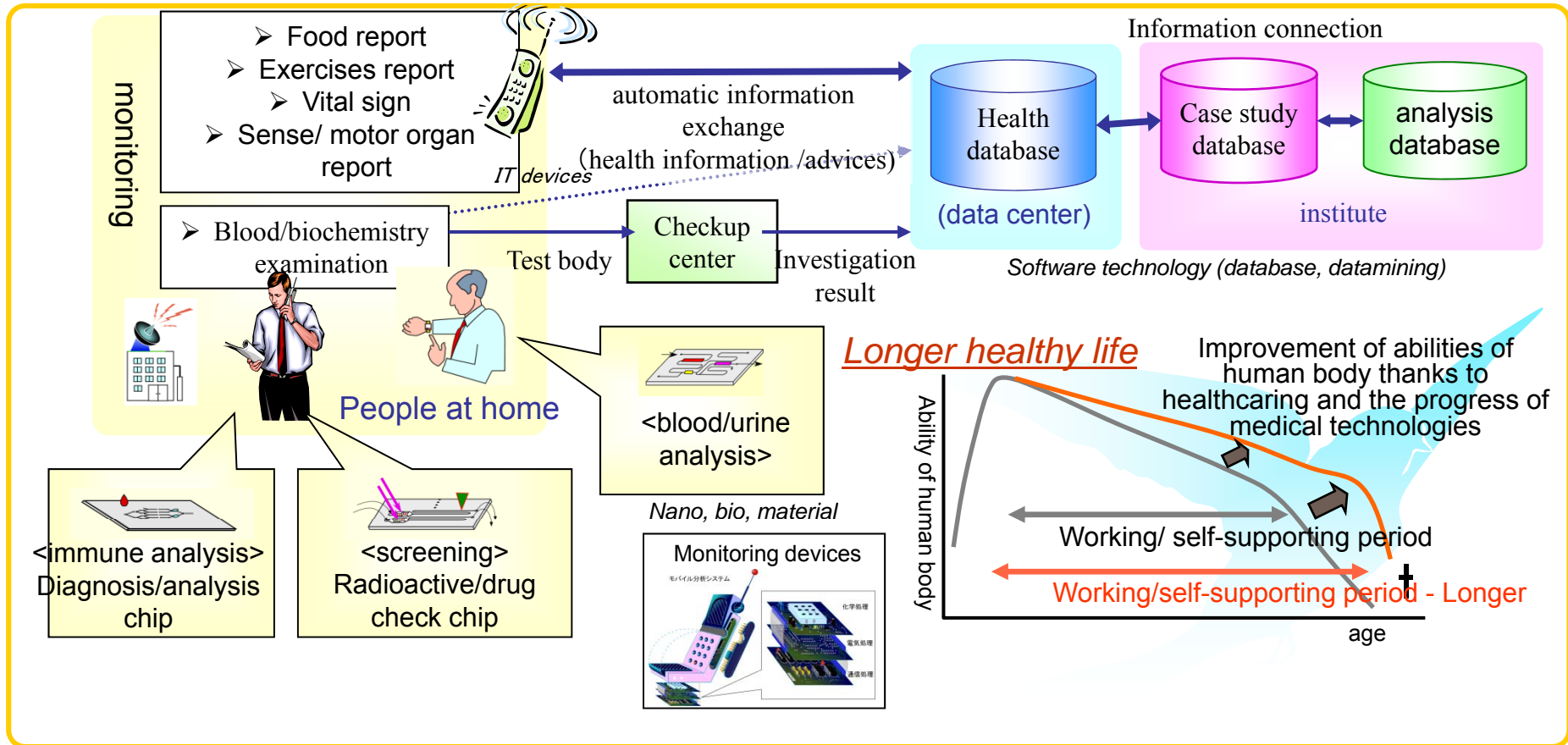
The conventional knowledge has gone too far and has become absurd.

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Nano-in-Micro Structuring



Medical expenses bring about innovating systems



**Creation of new industries:
Misunderstandings with ¥33 trillion budget**

Small earth

Smaller demands in advanced countries

Forced demand stimulation

**Demand creation according to
new paradigms is important**

Japan is in a good position

Aging society

Economic crises

Segmentalized knowledge

Difficult deductive solution

**structurization of knowledge,
Mobilization of knowledge with some goal**

Social experiment

Science of materials: Global Focus on Knowledge

