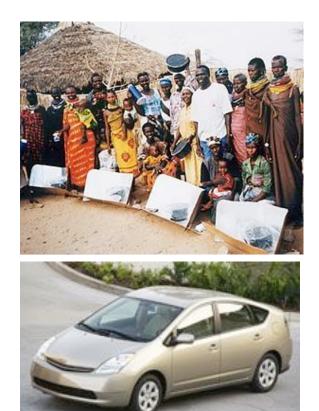


Appropriate Technology Now: Two Examples

Paul Arveson ASA Annual Meeting, 2005

Two Underutilized Technologies that are Ready Now

- Solar Cookers
 - Appropriate for underdeveloped countries
 - Especially in rural equatorial regions
- o Hybrid Cars
 - Appropriate for developed countries
 - especially in urban regions



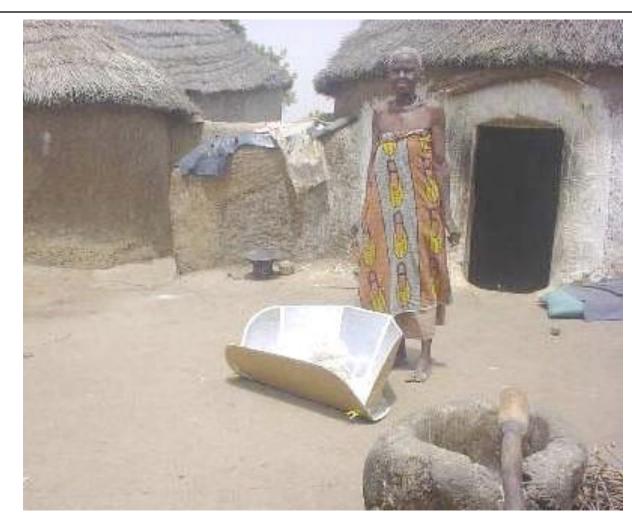
Underutilized Technology 1: Shiny Stuff for Solar Cookers



- Shiny materials are relatively new to the world
 - Aluminum foil
 - Metallized plastic film
- But now they are cheap and plentiful
 - Est. \$100 an acre
- Consequence: an underutilized solution waiting for cultural acceptance

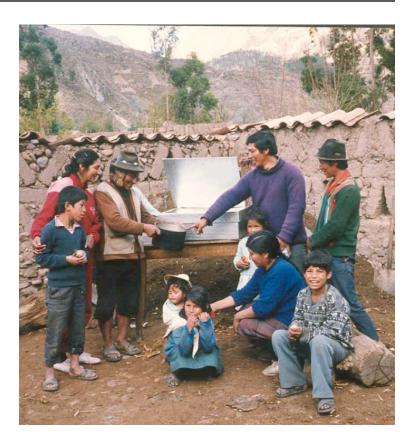


The Cookit: A Simple but Effective Solar Cooker





- Consumes no fuels, replaces wood
 - No loss of trees & habitat
 - Trees sequester carbon
 - No loss of soil and watershed
 - Wood is often in short supply now



Eliminates work

- No daily search for firewood
- No risks to women and children
- Frees time for other activities
- No need to stir food
- Helps to liberate women



Two Billion People rely on Wood for daily cooking fuel









Reduces costs

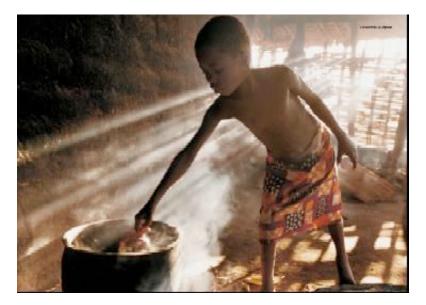
- No fuel to purchase (many poor families spend 25% of their income on fuel)
- No fuel storage required
- No fuel transportation required
- Provides business opportunities
 - Making solar cookers
 - Preparing foods: bakeries, restaurants
 - Food processing: rice, honey etc.
 - Dying fabrics
 - Sterilizing instruments for doctors & vets

- Generates no air pollution
- Generates no greenhouse gases
- Produces no smoke
- Eliminates fire dangers



Cooking Smoke: An Unrecognized Source of Disease and Death

- Cooking smoke kills over 1.6 million people each year, mostly women & children, according to a recent report
 - Acute lower respiratory infection
 - Chronic bronchitis
 - Lung cancer
 - Asthma, TB etc.



A quadruple tragedy: cooking smoke, malnutrition, child orphaned by AIDS, unused sun rays

Source: Smoke – the Killer in the Kitchen, H. Warwick & A. Doig, ITDG http://www.itdg.org/?id=smoke_index

- Can sterilize water
 65 deg. C
- Can pasteurize milk
- Can cook highprotein legumes that require many hours to cook



- Cooks foods slowly and thoroughly
- Preserves nutrients
- Foods will not burn
- Pots are easy to clean; less clean water is needed
- Use for canning vegetables
- Use for dried fruit
- Kill insects in dry grains



- Solar cooking frees up valuable space inside the home for other uses
- Moving cooking outside reduces heat buildup in home



Issues Limiting the Use of Solar Cooking

- Requires clear sky; on cloudy days some other fuel must be used
 - Appropriate for many regions such as India, China, and Saharan Africa

Lifestyle adjustments are required

- Change in timing of meals and work
- Hot food storage
- Cooking outside
- Home design
- Possible changes in taste of food

What Can We Do to Promote Solar Cooking?

- Become aware of information sources, e.g. www.solarcooking.org
- Approach mission agencies and individuals working in developing countries
- Develop specific strategies for adapting to local cultures
- Contribute: www.solarcookers.org

Underutilized Technology 2: Hybrid Cars



Prius introduced in US in 2000

- Designed by Toyota ~ 1995
- Little or no marketing
- Federally-funded research in US stopped early 2001
- Demand rapidly increased when gasoline prices increased 2004
- Won a long list of auto awards
- US began promoting "hydrogen economy"
- US car companies began anti-hybrid propaganda ("Auto Alliance") 2005









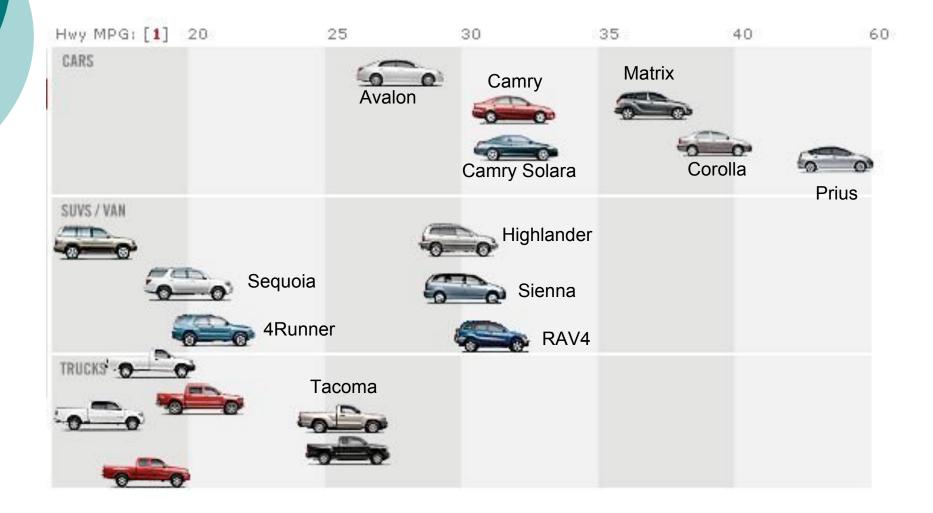
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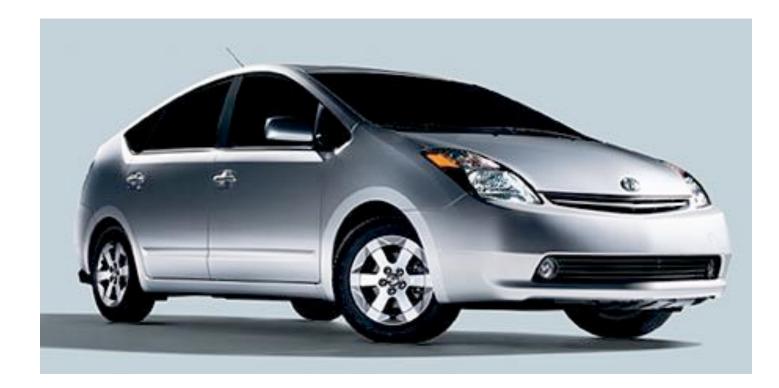
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Toyota 2005 Models vs. MPG



The Prius: A "Real" Hybrid



Other "Real" Hybrids for 2005:

Honda Civic Hybrid 48/47 mpg
Honda Insight 61/66 mpg

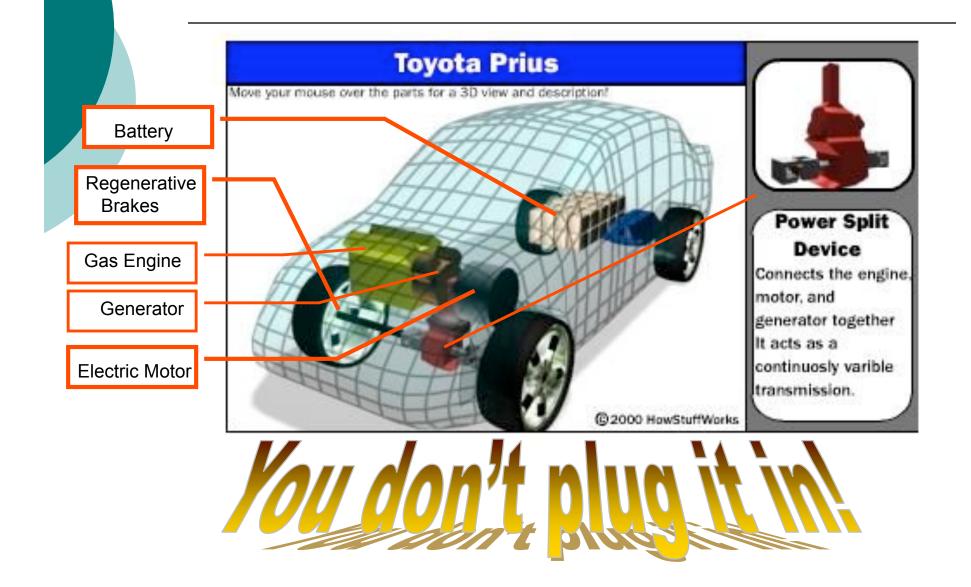
- small, 2-seater
- Ford Escape Hybrid 36/31 mpg



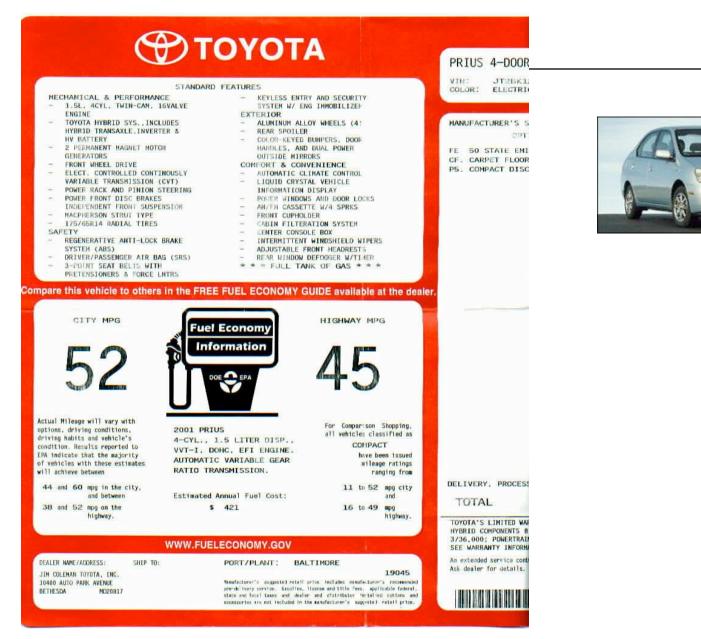
More Hybrids Coming in 2006

- Toyota Highlander Hybrid 33/28 mpg (2006)
- o Nissan Altima Hybrid
 - To be built in Miss. or Tenn.
- Hyundai Accent Hybrid
 - Fall 2006

How Does the Prius Work?



My 2001 Prius Sticker



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Emissions Comparison Prius vs. Camry (2004)

	Fuel* (estimated per year)		Vehicle emissions (estimated, per year in pounds)			
	Con- sumption	Cost	<u>Carbon</u> dioxide	<u>Carbon</u> monoxide	Nitrogen oxides	Hydro- carbons
2004 TOYOTA PRIUS (55.6 mpg, BIN 3) 12,500 miles/year	225 gal	\$452	4,363 lb	208.3 lb	6.1 lb	4.3 lb
2004 TOYOTA CAMRY (25.4 mpg, BIN 5) 12,500 miles/year	493 gal	\$952	9,566 lb	307.3 lb	8.5 lb	6.9 lb

* Actual fuel consumption and emissions will vary depending on the specific vehicle configuration, how well the vehicle is maintained, and your driving habits. (See <u>methodology</u> for details.) Fuel cost is based on a national average fuel price of \$1.93 (as of June 21, 2004, from the Energy Information Administration).

My Experience with 2001 Prius

• Purchased Aug. 2001 for \$21,040

- Waited 3 months (now available off the lot)
- No sales tax in Maryland; your state may differ
- Federal tax deduction \$1500; now \$2000
- Maintenance
 - Warranty covered most needs
 - Battery 8 yrs/100k miles
 - o Other 3 yrs/30k miles
 - Purchased new tires
 - One recall for vibration fix
 - Current mileage 56,000
 - Fuel economy: about 47 mpg average

Prius vs. Camry – Resale Prices



Prius vs. Conventional Car Costs

Car Cost Comparison:		
Avg. price of gas per gallon	\$1.60	
Miles driven	56000	
mpg, car 1	47	01 Prius
mpg, car 2	26	01 Camry
Fuel Cost, car 1	\$1,906.38	
Fuel Cost, car 2	\$3,446.15	
Fuel Cost difference	\$1,539.77	
Tax incentives, car 1	\$1,500.00	
Tax incentives, car 2	\$0.00	
New car price, car 1	\$21,040.00	01 Prius
New car price, car 2	\$17,000.00	01 Camry
Car price difference 1-2	\$4,040.00	
Total cost, car 1	\$21,446.38	
Total cost, car 2	\$20,446.15	
Cost difference, car 1 - car 2	\$1,000.23	

Clean Fuel Tax Deduction For Hybrid Vehicles

"If you are the original (first) owner of a qualifying hybrid vehicle — one that combines an electric motor with a gasoline-powered engine — you may be eligible to claim a one-time tax deduction on your federal income tax return.

Under the Working Families Tax Relief Act of 2004, the deduction amount is limited to \$2,000 for cars first put into use in 2004 and 2005. The deduction will be limited to \$500 for vehicles placed in service in 2006, and no deduction will be allowed after that year."

IRS Tax Tip 2005-57, March 22, 2005

Energy Policy Act of 2005:

 "... the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shall initiate a study of the feasibility and effects of reducing by model year 2014, by a significant percentage, the amount of fuel consumed by automobiles."

(from Section 744 on Hybrid Vehicles)



So I Bought a 2005 Prius

• Sale price: \$22,978 complete

- EPA ratings 60 mpg city, 51 hwy
- Hatchback; more inside space
- Many minor improvements
- o Trade-in of 2001 Prius: \$9500
- o 2005 Federal tax relief: approx. \$600
 - Many states have additional tax breaks
- Net cost of 2001 Prius: \$12,878
- Net cost per month: \$268



Prius Conclusions

- Is this car a solution now?
 - Yes!
- Is this car the cheapest form of transportation?
 - No! Try a bicycle.
- o Is this car a good value?
 - Definitely especially in 2005!

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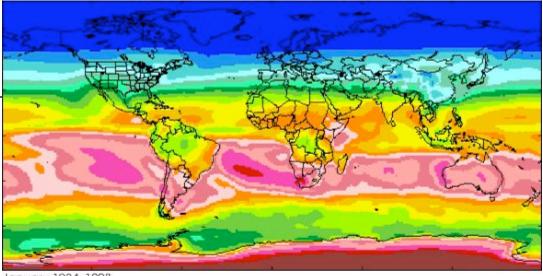
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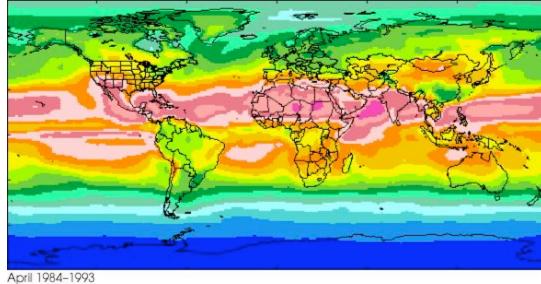
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Graphs show total solar power input in kWh/m²/day



