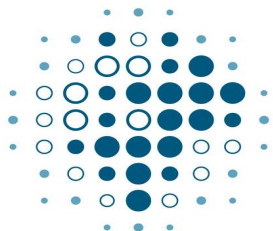


# Pushing Towards Room-Temperature Superconductivity

Shirin Mozaffari

PI: Dr. Luis Balicas

National High Magnetic Field Laboratory

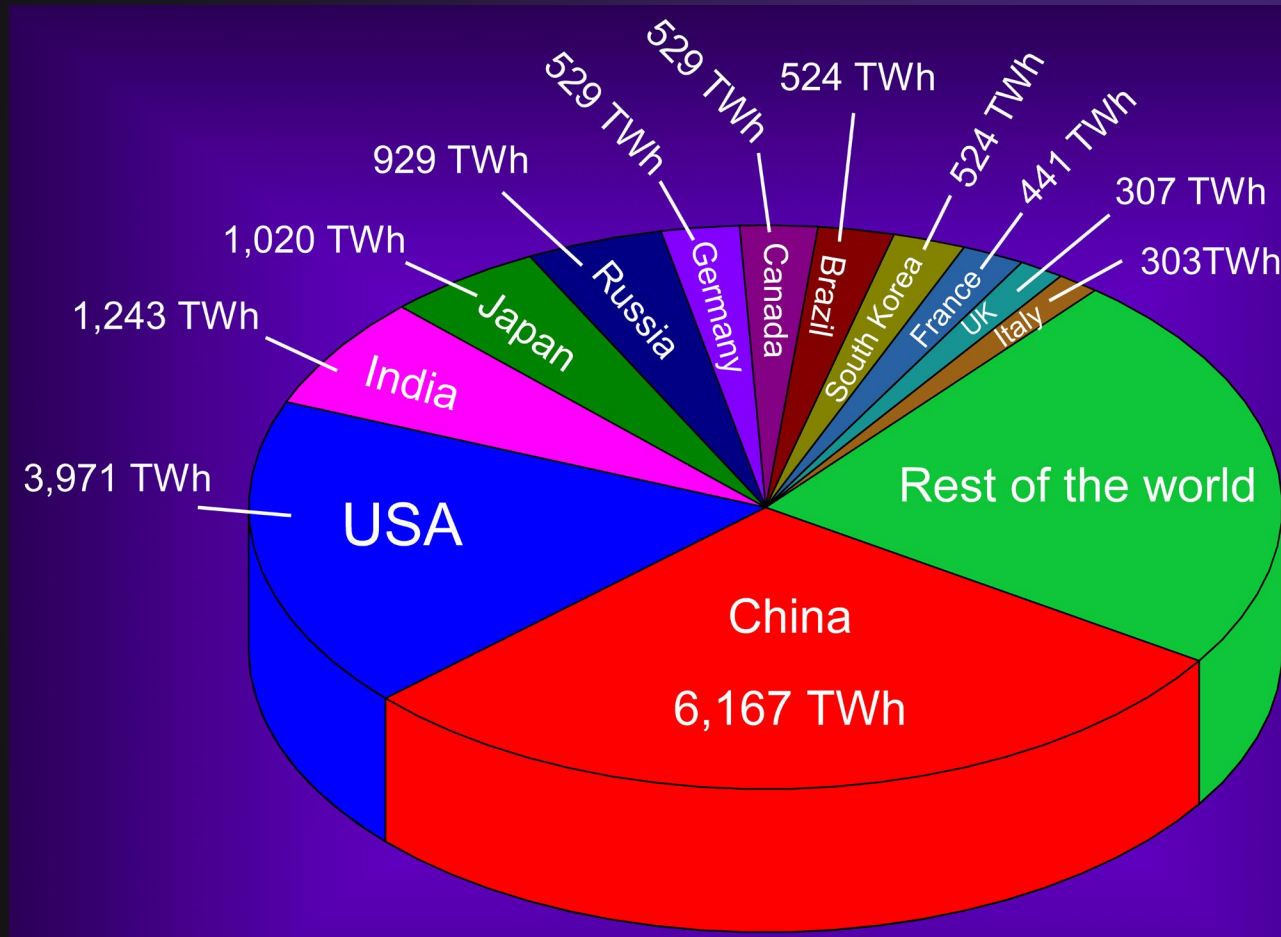


MAX-PLANCK-INSTITUT  
FÜR CHEMIE



# We consume so much of electricity

Electricity consumption in terawatt-hour (TWh)



8 --10% loss due to electrical resistance of Copper wires

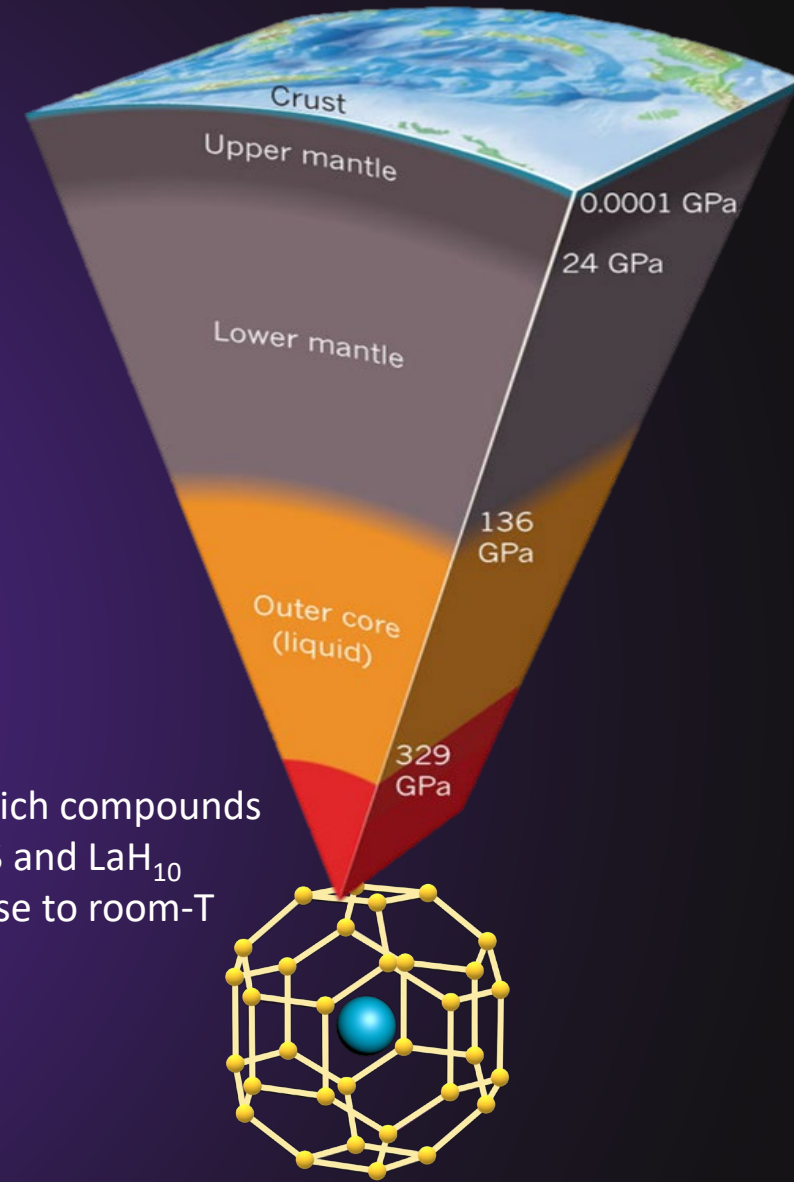
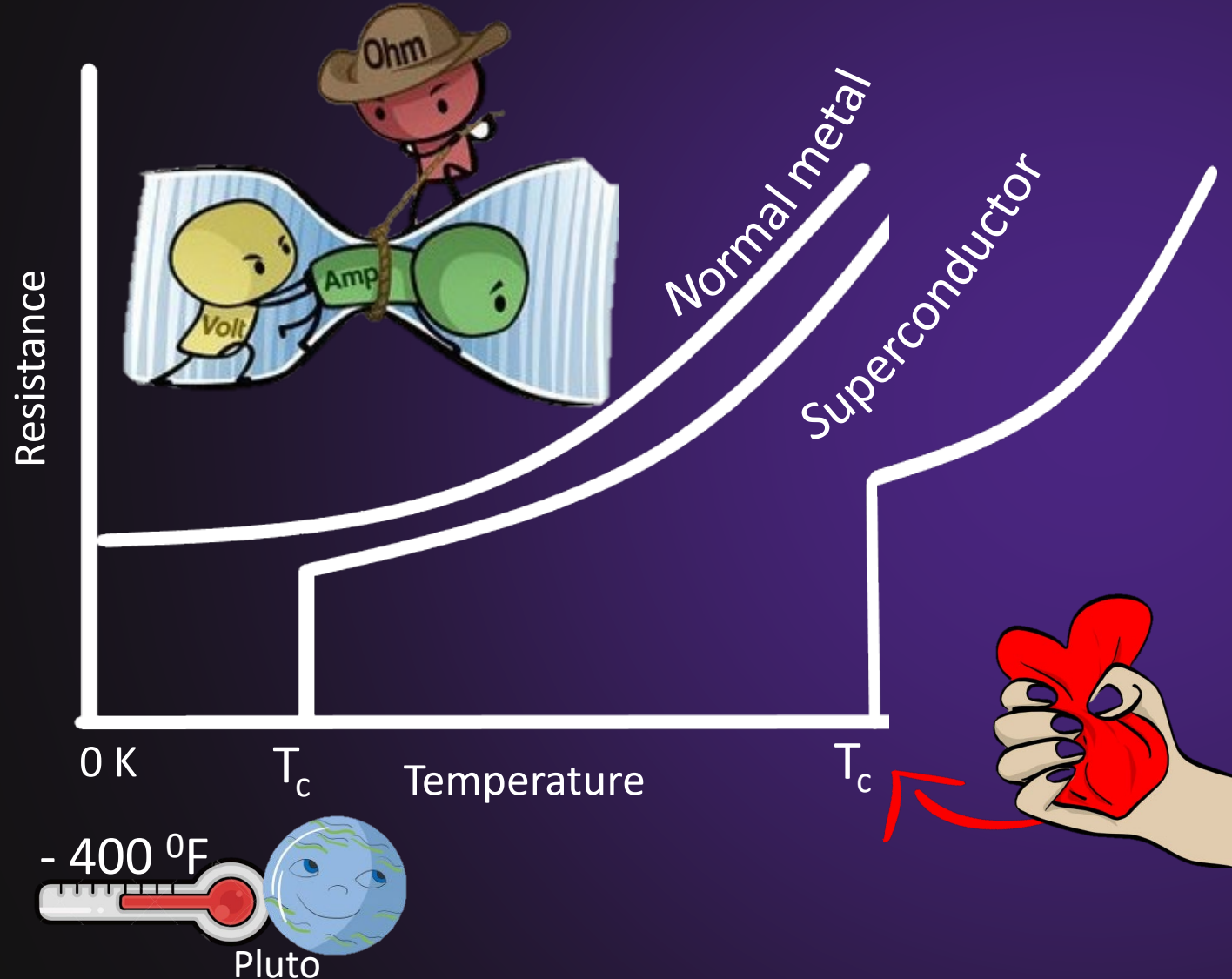
A **terawatt-hour** is a unit of energy equal to outputting one trillion watts for one **hour**.

Source: Enerdata database: <https://yearbook.enerdata.net/>



# Superconductors: one way to save electricity

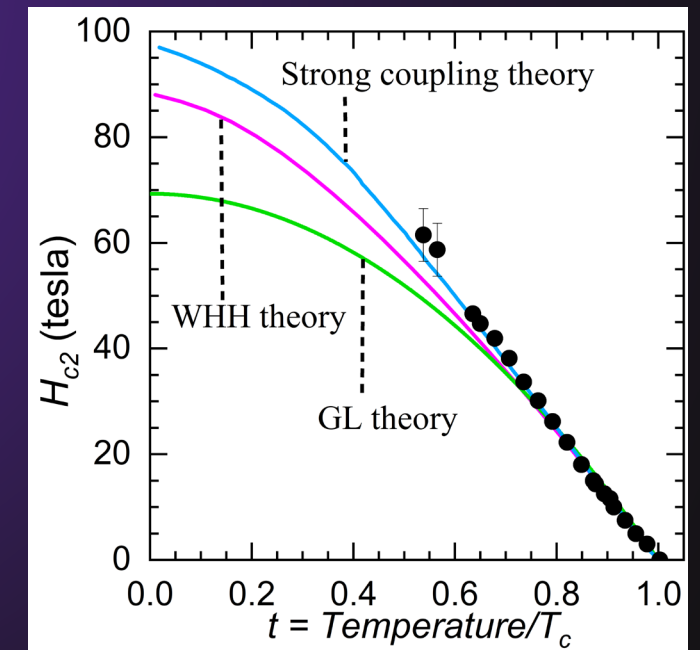
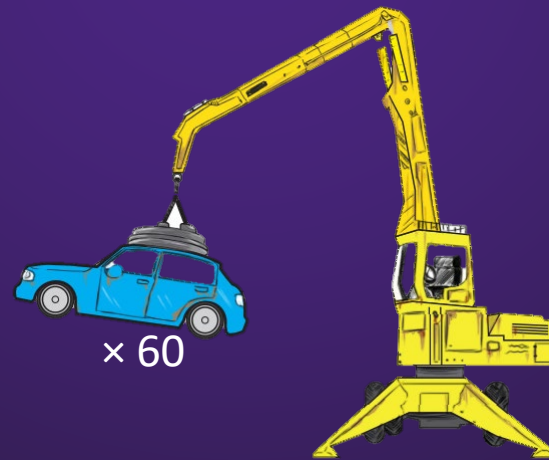
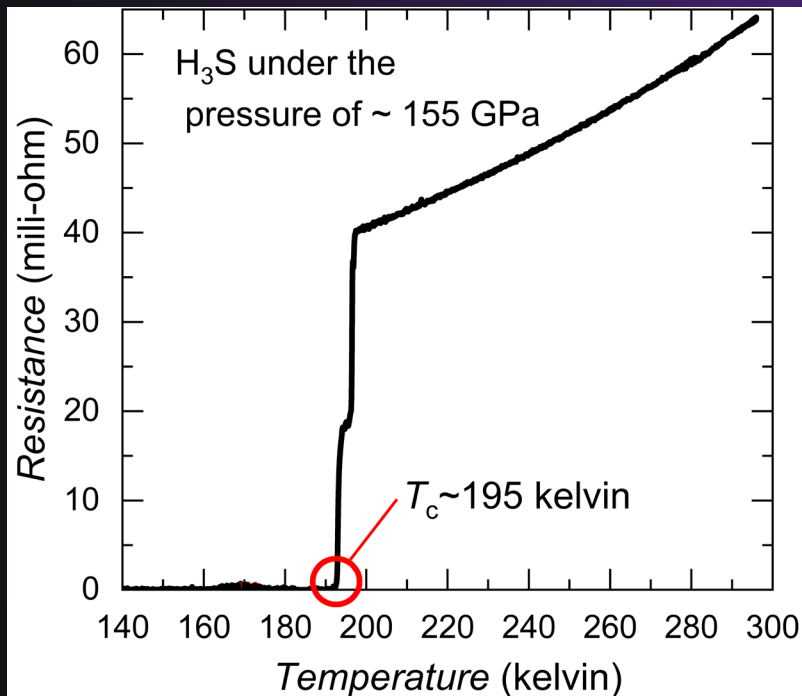
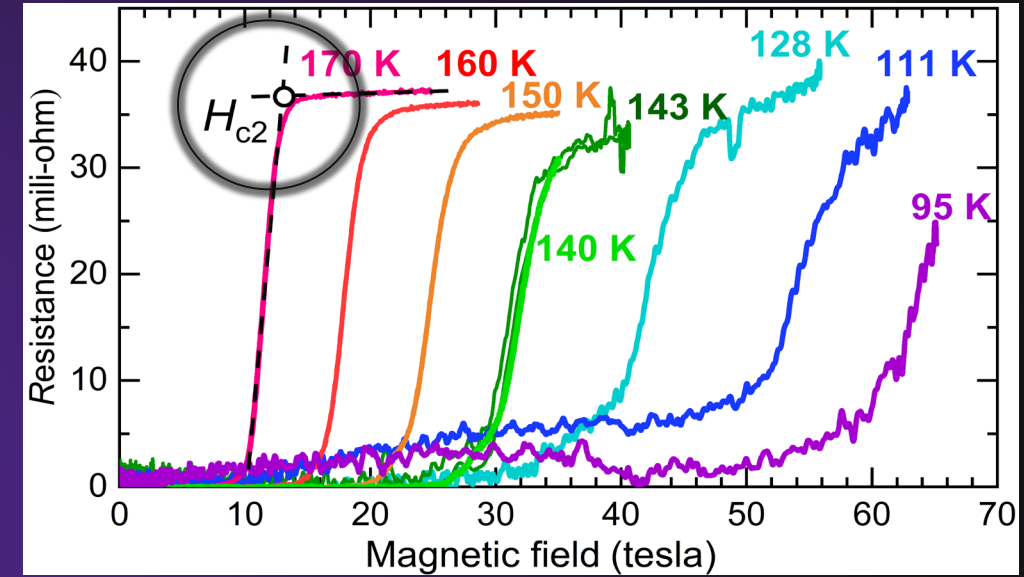
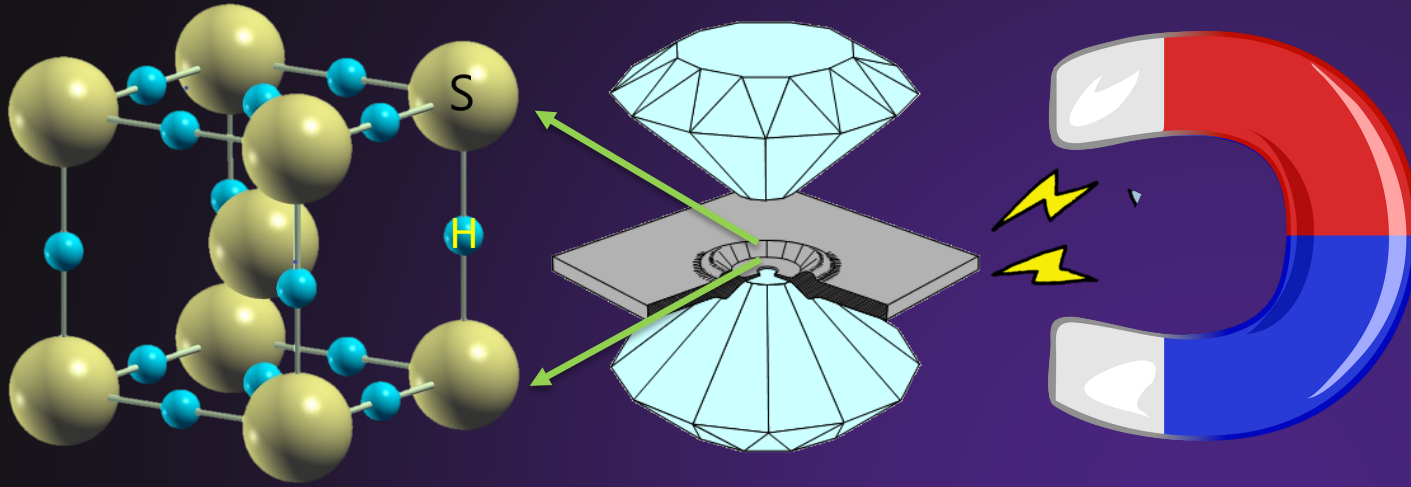
Electrical resistance  $\sim$  friction to the flow of electric current



Hydrogen rich compounds  
such as  $H_3S$  and  $LaH_{10}$   
have  $T_c$  close to room-T

Under pressures on the order of pressure  
at the earth's center

# $\text{H}_3\text{S}$ (hydrogen sulfide) under a record-high combination of pressure and magnetic field

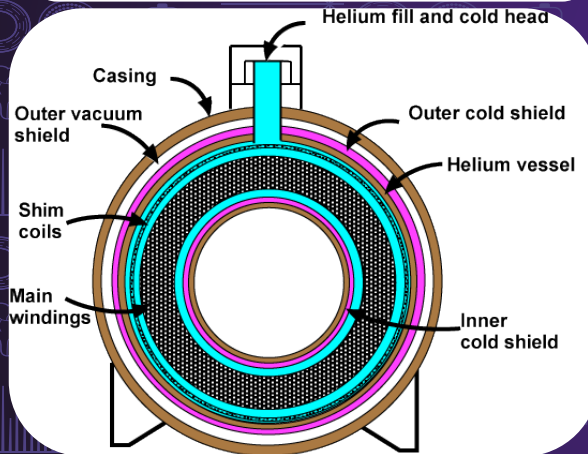




# A room-temperature superconductor will facilitate applications

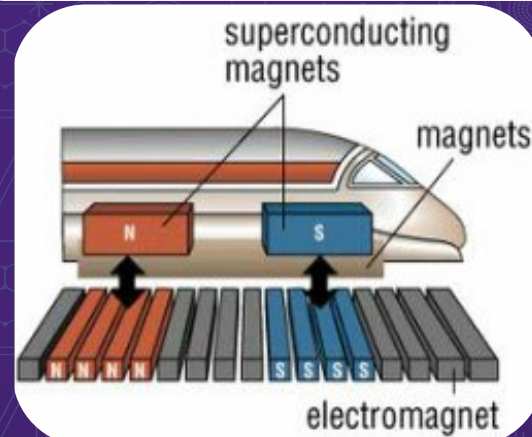
## Fundamental Research

- Very strong magnets
- Particle Colliders



## Energy & Technology

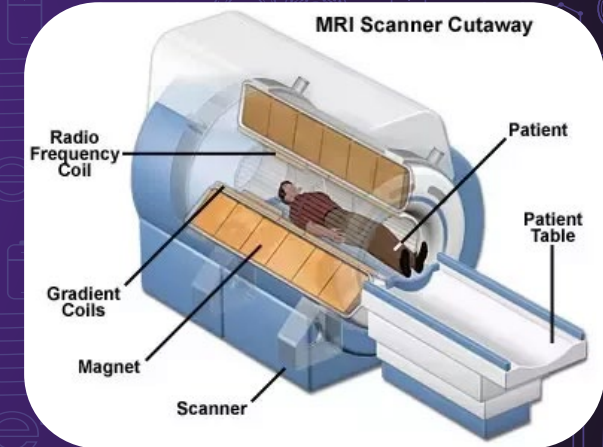
- Superconducting wires
- Maglev train



Speed ~ 300 miles/hour

## Medical Instrumentations

- Particle therapy
- MRI



# Thank you for your attention!