## **Basic Seminar for Freshman**

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#### What is Basic Seminar?

**Purpose of Basic Seminar** Freshmen learn how to study in the university. It helps freshmen being motivated in more advanced study.

## Characteristic of Basic Seminar

- Classes have various styles.
- Freshmen can choose any classes as they like.
- The class has small numbers.

#### Class Schedule(1) 1st week Orientation

2nd~9th week Individual Study

- •We read books and journals about environmental problems.
- •We investigated them by Internet, etc.
- •We learned how to give a presentation.
- •We wrote a report, gave presentations and had discussion in the class.

## Class Schedule(2) 10th~12th week Group Study

•We had a group discussion on environmental problems.

•We prepared a presentation and gave it.

## Class Schedule(3) The final week

We visited a company (Tohoku Ricoh).



#### Simple design enabled ZERO EMISSION

## What we studied in Basic Seminar.

#### What is Fuel Cell?

Chemical energy is converted into electrical energy by a fuel cell.



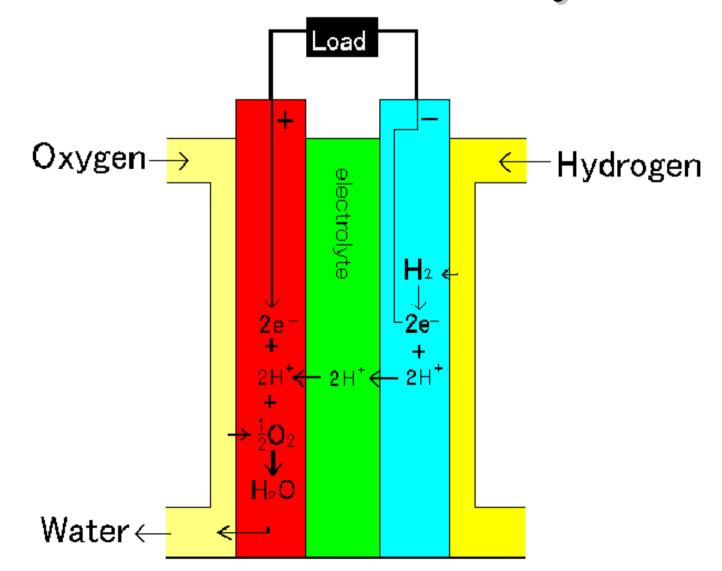


Fuel Cell can't work without fuel.

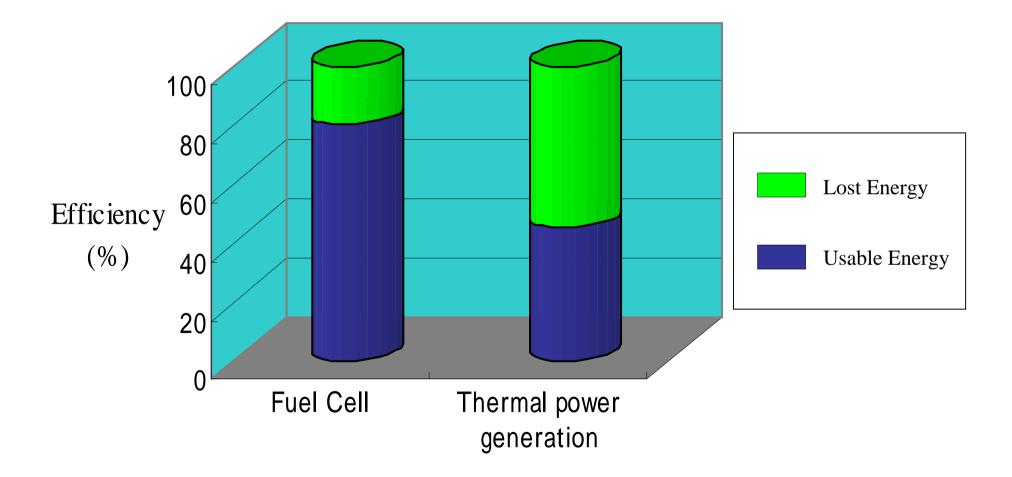


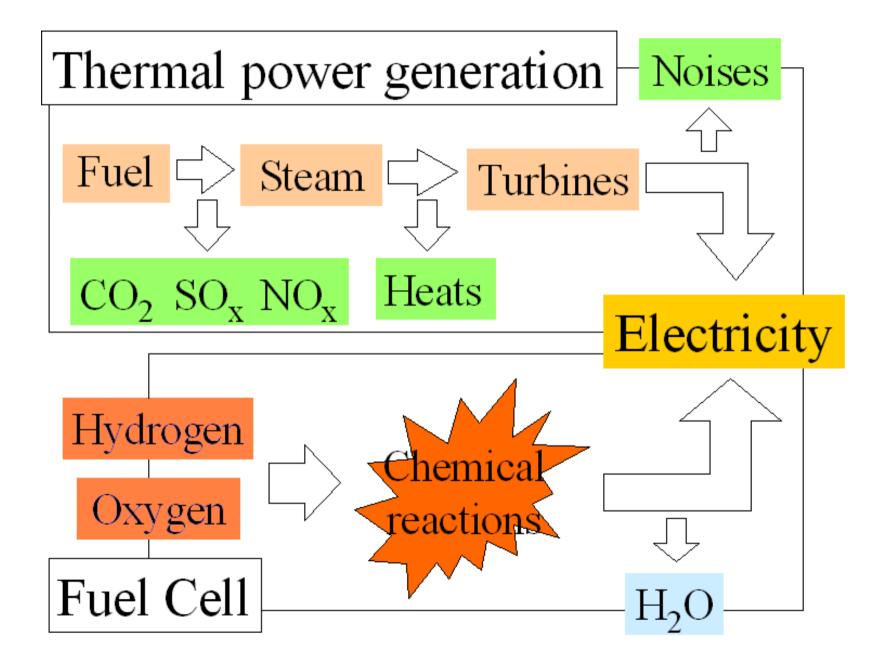
It is called 'Fuel Cell'.

### **Power Generation System**



#### Why is Fuel Cell highly efficient?





#### Problems

# Too expensiveToo heavy and big



500,000~1,000,000 Dollars !!!!

## Task of materials developments

1. Storage of Hydrogen

- 2. Electrode (Low cost catalysts)
- 3. Light weight Structural Materials

What we felt to Basic Seminar after the course.

## We thought that …

- •We were motivated.
- •We could make a lot of friends.
- $\times$ The schedule was very short.
- $\times$ It was hard to understand contents.

## We wish …

Class to be held through a year Professor to prepare easier materials (papers)

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