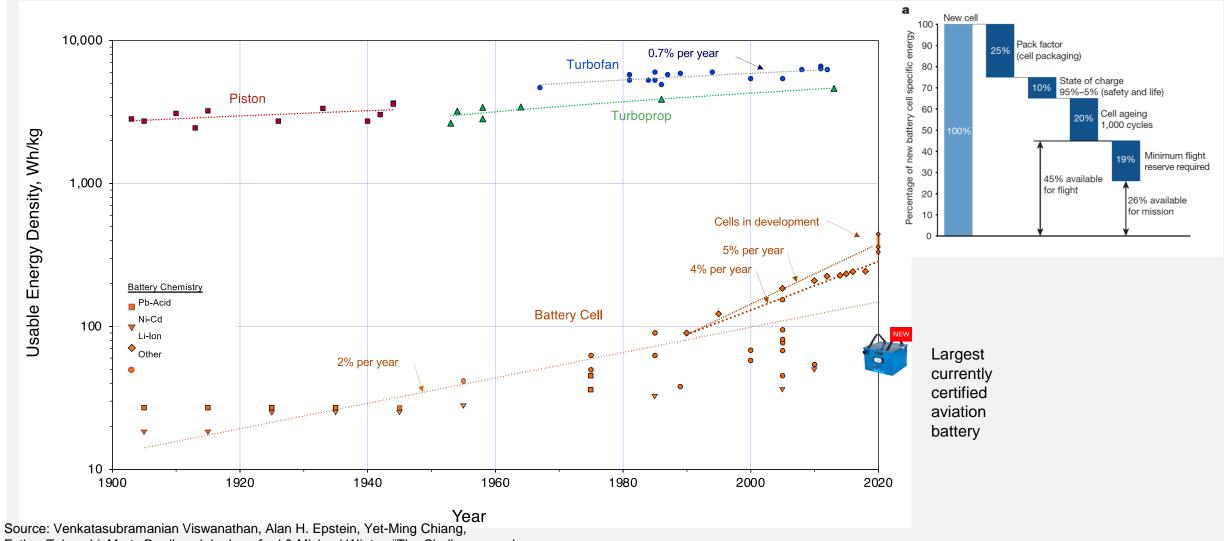
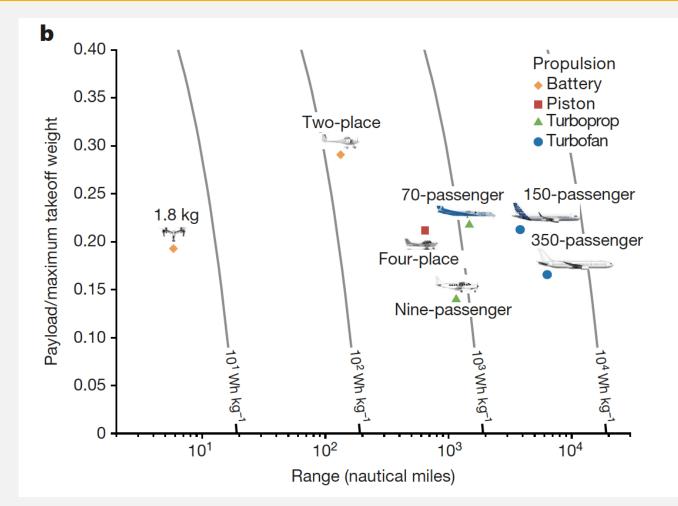
# History of aircraft specific energy for propulsion



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## Ideal range & some real-world examples



	Alpha	Alpha Electro
Power	60 kW	60 kW
MTOW	550 kg	550 kg
Mstrut	51% (279 kg)	51% (279 kg)
Mfuel	9% (45 kg)	16% (90 kg)
Мрау	41% (230 kg)	33% (181 kg)
Range	324 mi	75 mi
Endurance	186 min	60 min
Useful work (N x m = J)	1.175 GJ	214 MJ



Assumes L/D = 20, structural mass fraction = 40%

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#### So, How Does Electrified Propulsion Buy Its Way On?

### Market Unlocks

- Noise restrictions
- Emissions controls

#### Niche markets

- Short-range CTOL (Trainers)
- HALE pseudo-satellites
- Urban air mobility

#### Performance through Integration

- Distributed propulsion
- Boundary Layer Control
- Hybrids







