



## Robotics Enabling Net Zero

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# Strong delivery



**£253m**

invested with industry

**30,000+**

industry guests and visitors to the centre

**33**

commercialised tech



**1,810+**

technologies screened



**45**

Startups accelerated



**£121m**

leveraged from industry partners

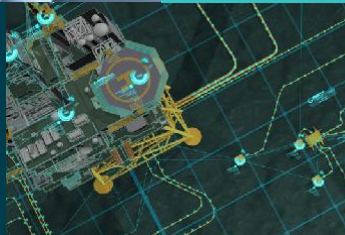


**53**

partnerships

**£10-15bn**

GVA potential



**355**

projects



**175**

field trials  
complete, planned  
or underway

# NZTC at the forefront of accelerating net zero



## Research & Technology Development Projects

Co-investing with industry to fund and develop technology projects, working in partnership with trailblazing technology developers.



## TechX Accelerator & Growth Programmes

A 15-week programme for innovative clean energy start-ups with potential to significantly accelerate the transition to an affordable net zero energy industry.

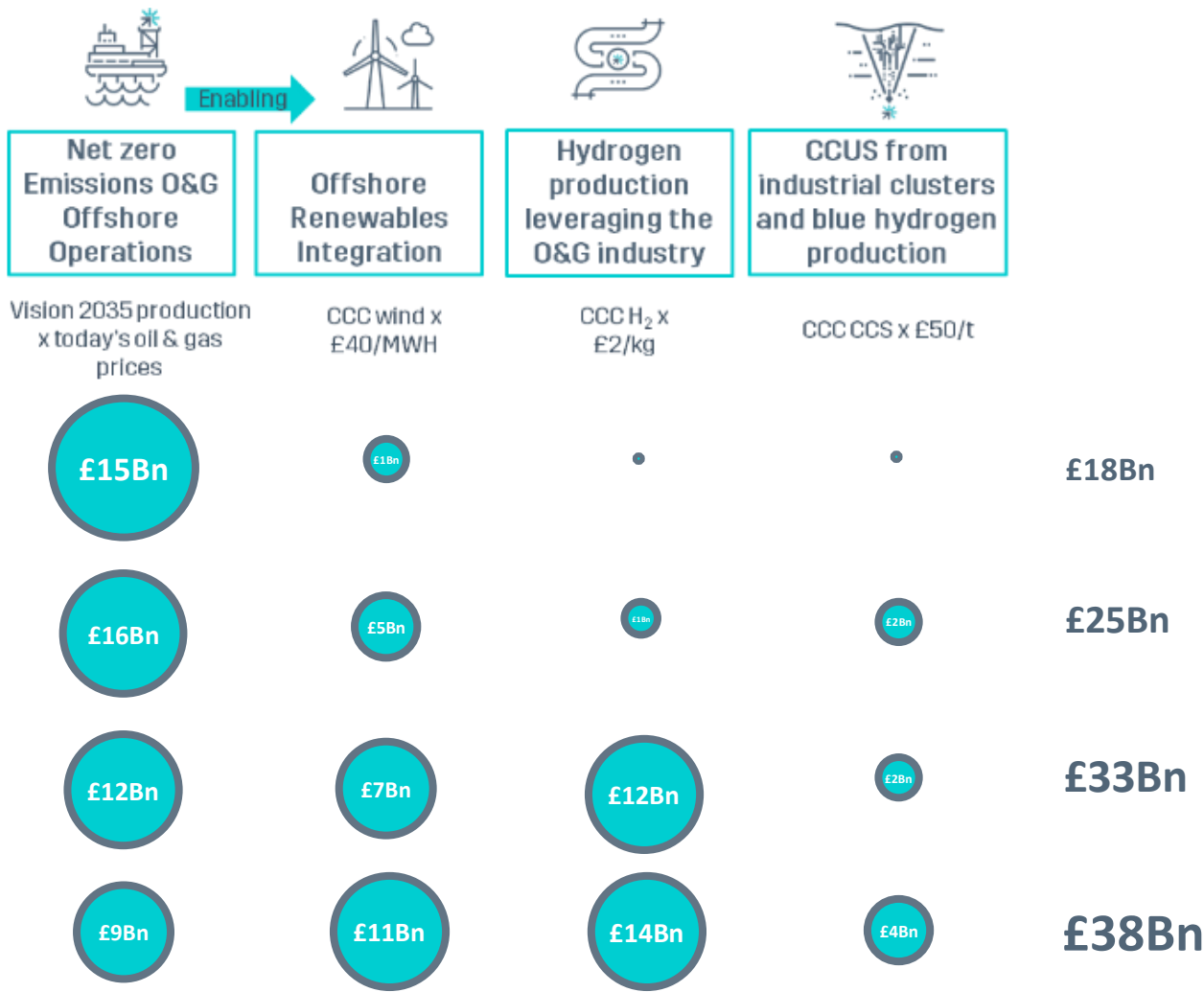


## Net Zero Technology Services

Insights and foresights on emerging technology to inform and accelerate Net Zero investments and strategies

# North Sea: transition to net zero

A net zero UK Economy enabled by the Oil & Gas sector



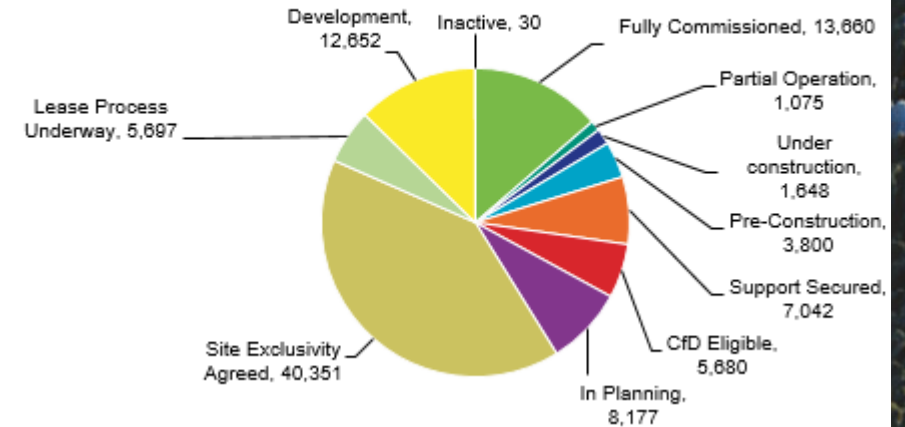


# North Sea: transition to net zero

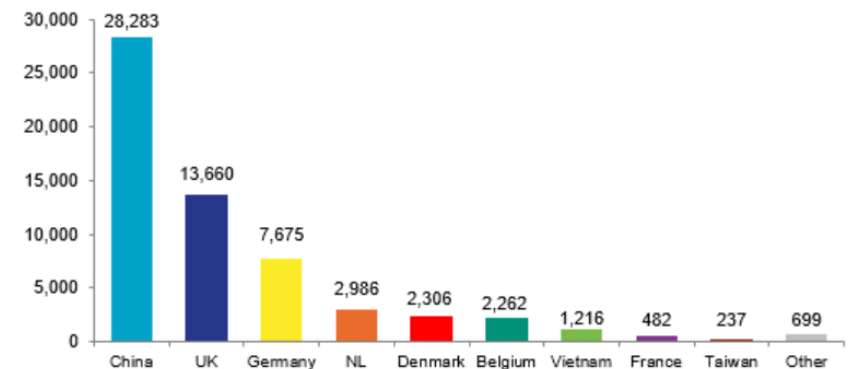
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<https://www.renewableuk.com/news/632004/UK-offshore-wind-pipeline-reaches-nearly-100-gigawatts-while-global-pipeline-hits-over-1100GW-.htm>

UK Portfolio by Status (MW)



Global Operational Portfolio by Country (MW)



## Closing the technology gaps:

Offshore wind; Hydrogen; Carbon, capture & storage; Oil & Gas electrification and transportation



# An integrated energy future



## Long-term challenges

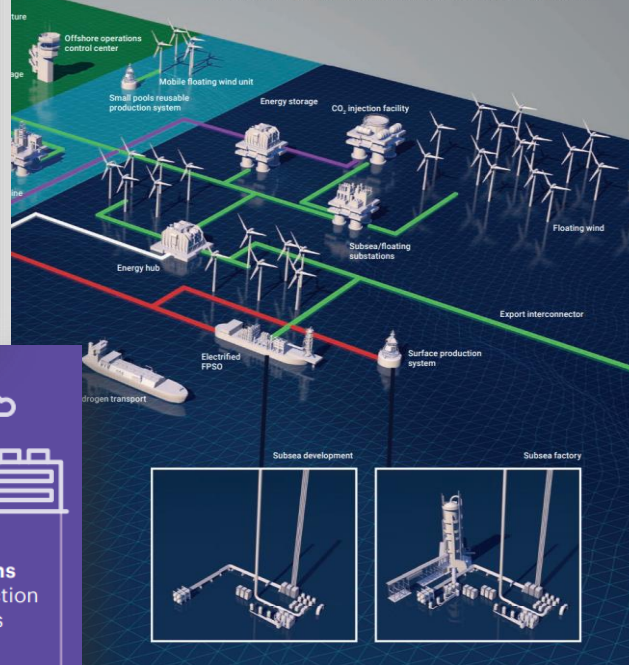


### Digitalisation

A reliable and connected data infrastructure, combined with widespread use of data analytics and control, will be essential for the efficient delivery of low carbon energy from the UKCS. Digital technologies will initially promote operational and energy efficiency. As an integrated energy system develops, unmanned and autonomous digital facilities within each industry will need to be connected. This requires ensuring data interoperability across the different components in the energy system and strong communication infrastructure. Maintaining the highest possible level of cyber security between assets and operations centres onshore will remain critical tasks in any digital system.

## UKCS integrated energy vision 2050

Schematic view of what an integrated UKCS energy system could look like in 2050



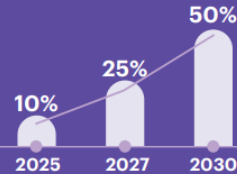
## NSTD Goals:



**40,000**  
new energy  
jobs



**10 GW**  
hydrogen  
production



**Absolute  
reductions  
in production  
emissions**

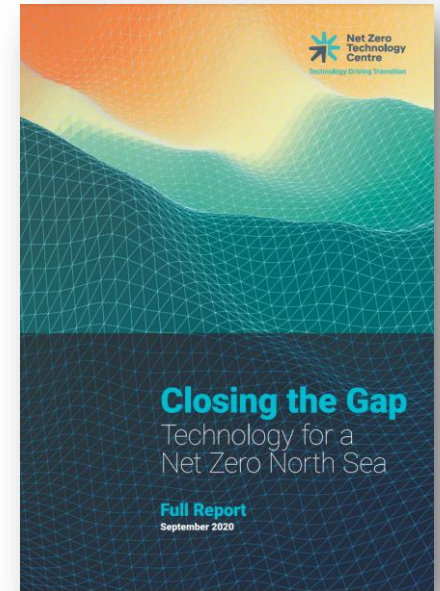


**20-30**  
Mt/year carbon captured



Trade with **global  
hydrogen market**

Next 10 years are critical



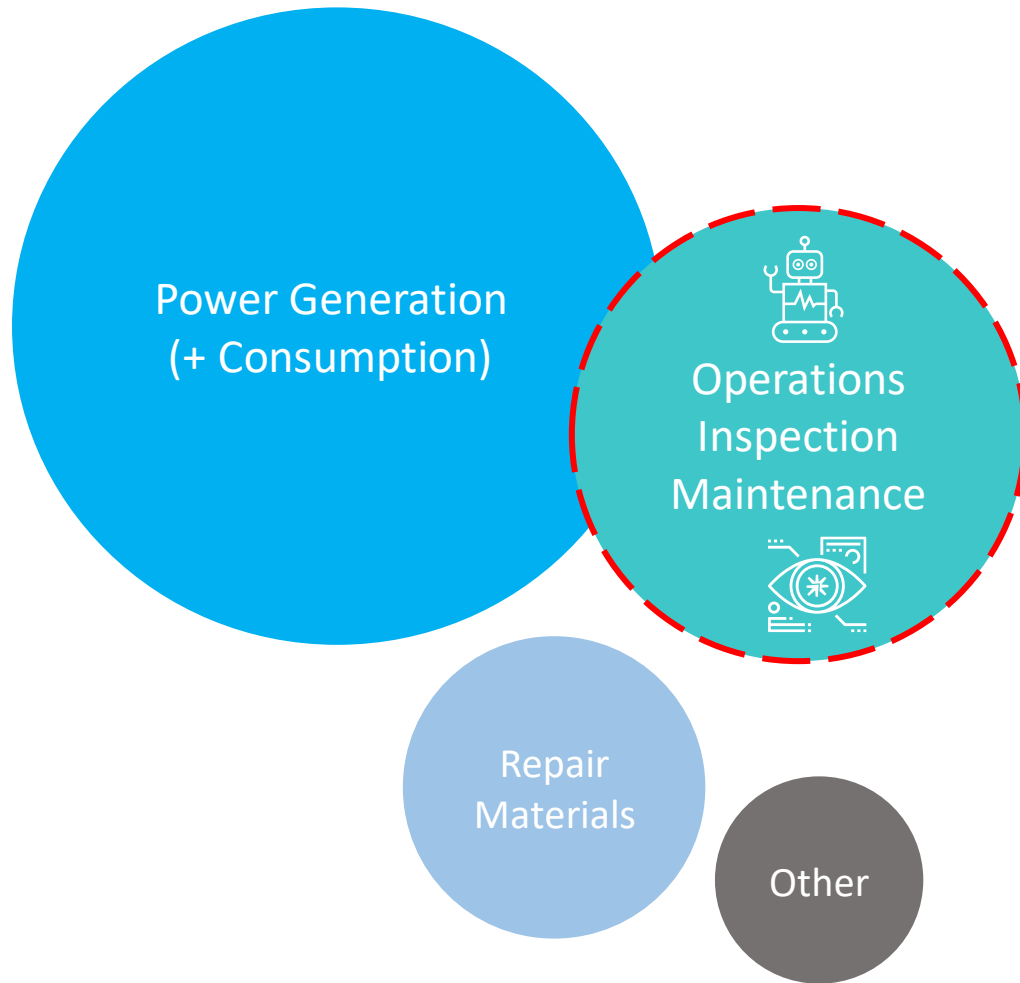


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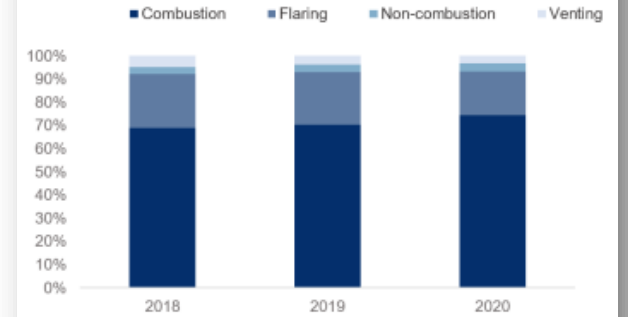
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Full Decarbonisation

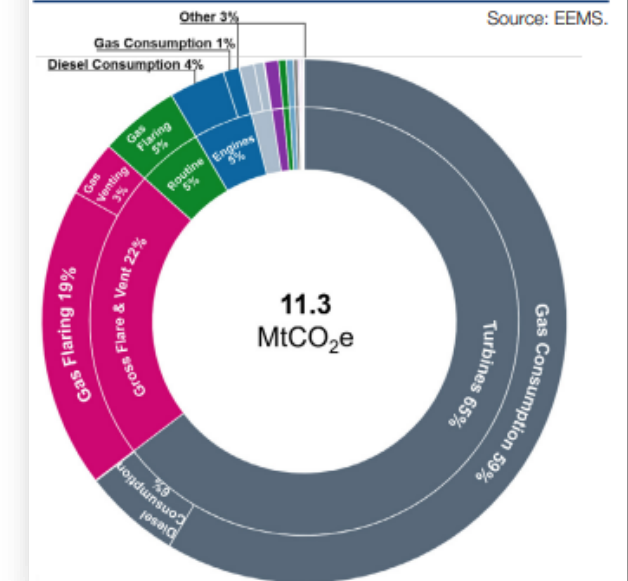


**Figure 3: Breakdown of GHG emissions by source, 2018–2020**



Source: NAEI. Note: Conversion to CO<sub>2</sub>e done with AR5 without feedback GWP.

**Figure 4: Facility emissions by source and category, 2021**



Source: EEMS.



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Technology

## Status Quo

Hard to reach  
Not possible to reach by humans  
Extreme hazard  
Internal confined spaces

Humans

## Status Quo

If possible to conduct 'manually' –  
preferred option  
Human interpretation = high value

## Shift the Paradigm

Technology

Dull  
Dirty  
Dangerous

Technology

*Where possible to conduct with  
technology = preferred option*

## Results

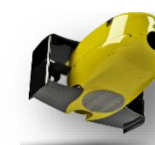
- Process more data
- Identify problems quicker
- Test solutions virtually
- Notify action quicker
- Optimise efficiency
- Pro-active, sustainable operations



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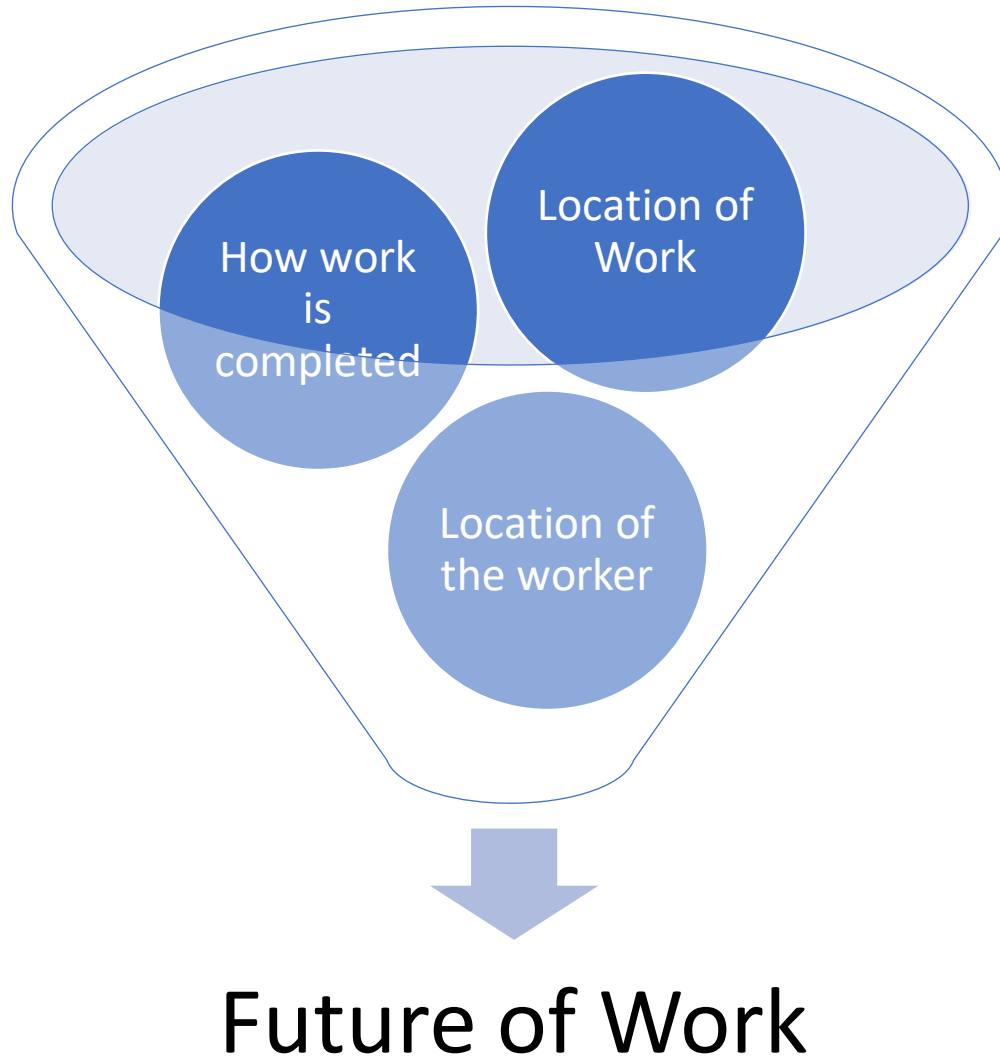
Autonomous Robotics



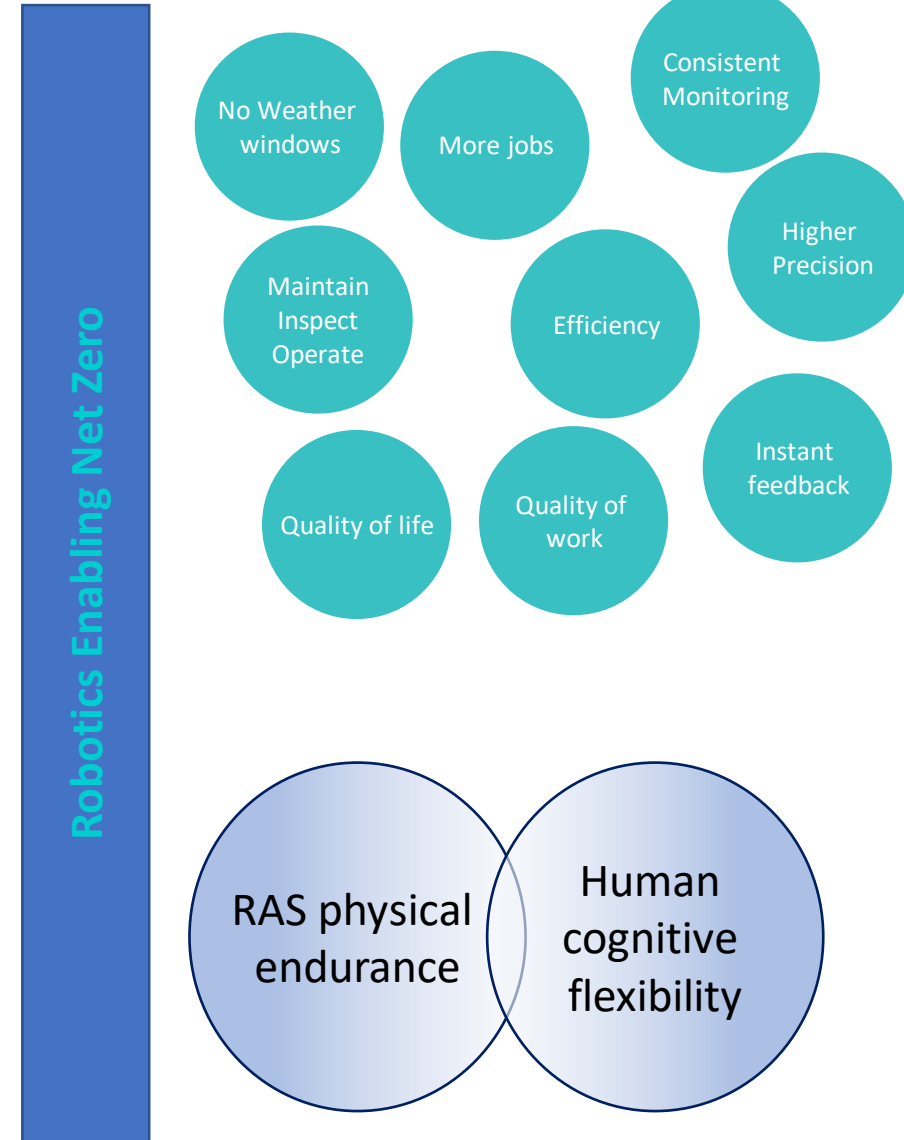
AIR CONTROL  
ENTECH



# Digital Technologies: Future of Work



<https://ore.catapult.org.uk/press-releases/robotics-vital-renewables-expansion-needed-reach-net/>





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**We exist to transform  
the energy industry.**

**We exist to drive down costs,  
increase efficiency and help  
deliver a net zero energy  
system.**