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The battery – Bottleneck for the E-mobility?

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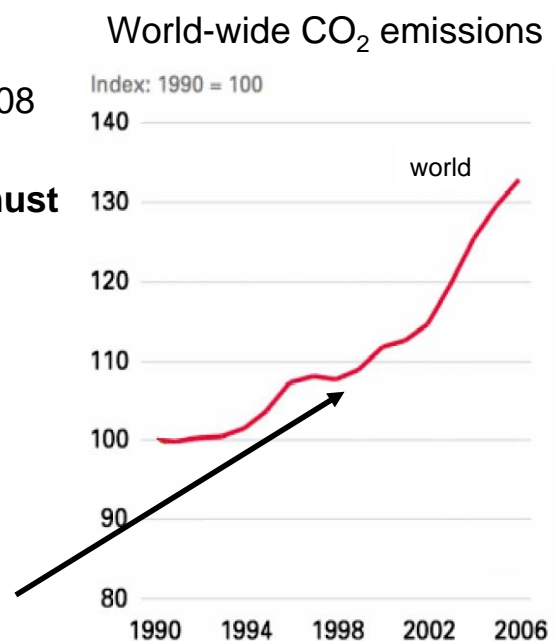
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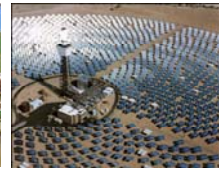
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This is, what the world is currently doing



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Electricity is available in the long-run in almost unlimited quantities from

- ➔ renewable energy sources,
- ➔ nuclear power plants, or
- ➔ fossil power plants with carbon capture!



Land requirement for bio fuels vs. electricity for mobility



- ➔ Harvest from **bio mass** of 2nd generation (BTL) expected: **60,000 km/ha/year**



- ➔ Harvest from **photovoltaics** in Germany: **1,000,000 km/ha/year**

Assumptions: Solar energy in Germany 1000 kWh/m²/a, photovoltaics with 10% efficiency, land use factor 1/3, vehicle energy consumption 20 kWh / 100 km, efficiency grid & vehicle 60%

- ➔ **16x more driving with electricity from PV compared with bio fuels**

Energy efficiency fuel cell vs. electric vehicle

→ Starting point: electrical power (from CO₂-free sources)



Quelle: ATZ online



Quelle: minispace.com

→ usable energy with fuel cell vehicles: **25 – 30%**

→ usable energy with electric vehicles: **70 – 75%**

→ **Energy needs for fuel cell vehicles with clean hydrogen is 2.5 x higher compared with electric vehicles**

Electric- and hybrid electric vehicles are „under construction“ - everywhere



Quelle: Volvo



Quelle: Daimler



Quelle: Think



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Quelle: minispace.com



Quelle: Tesla Motors

Electrification concepts for passenger cars



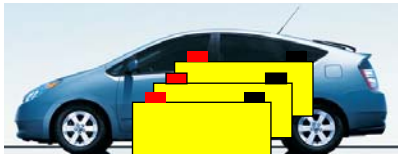
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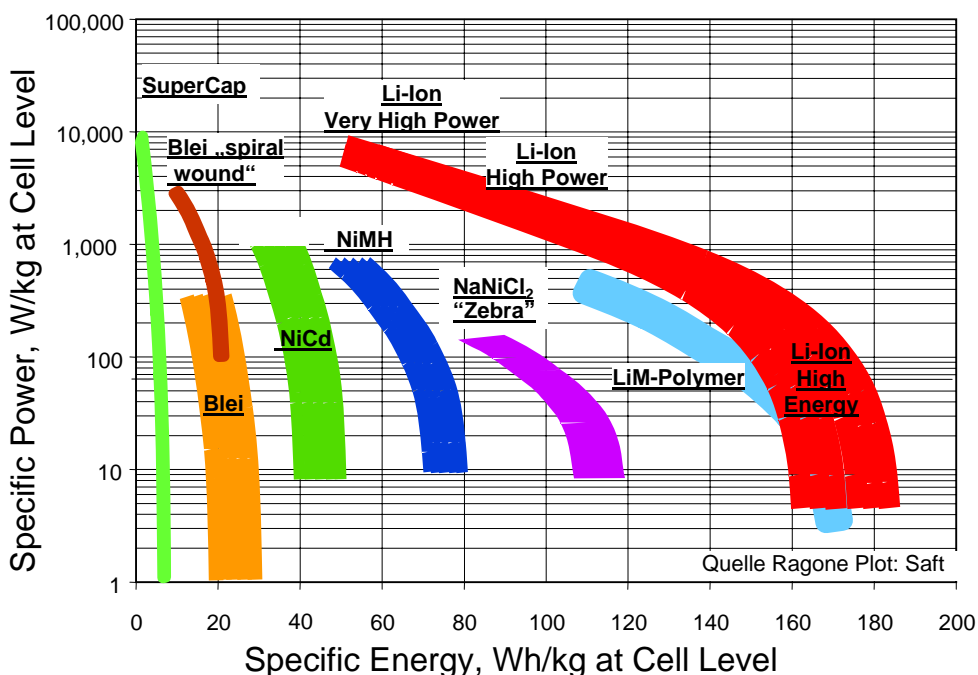


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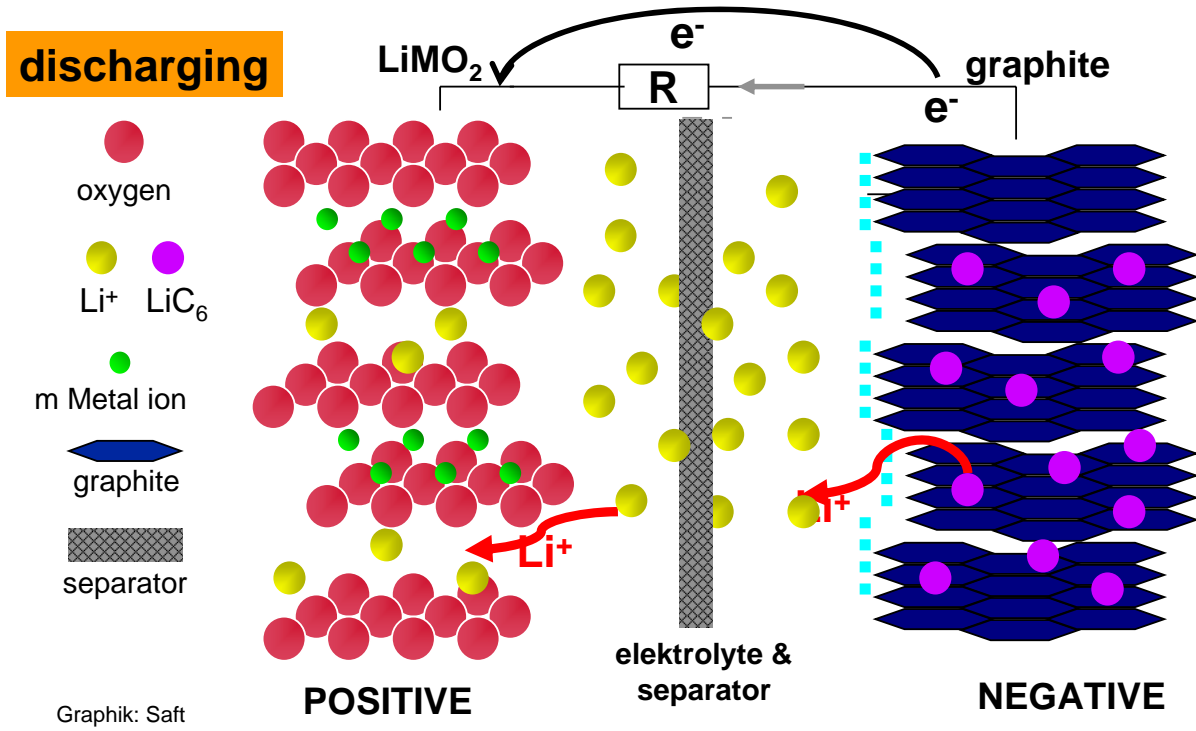
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Gravimetric power density vs. energy density

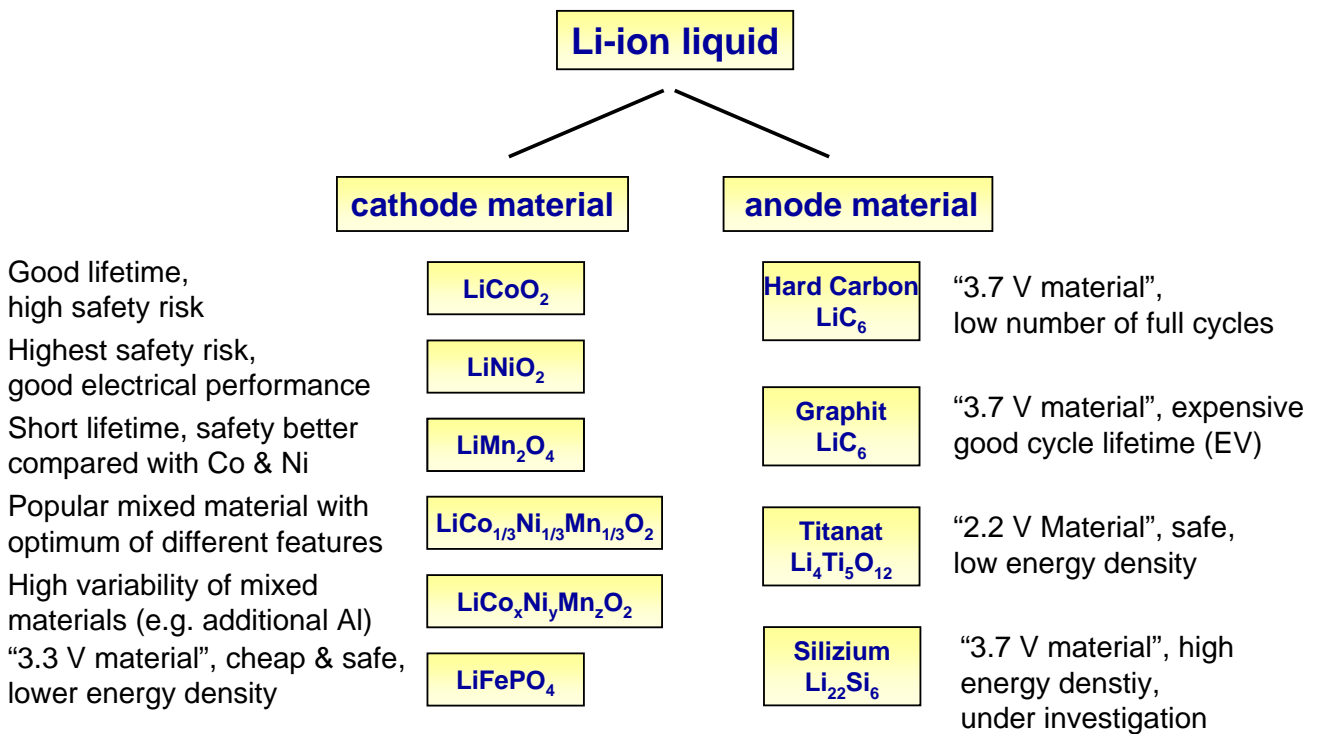
(power and energy density of specific products taken from data sheets and measurements)



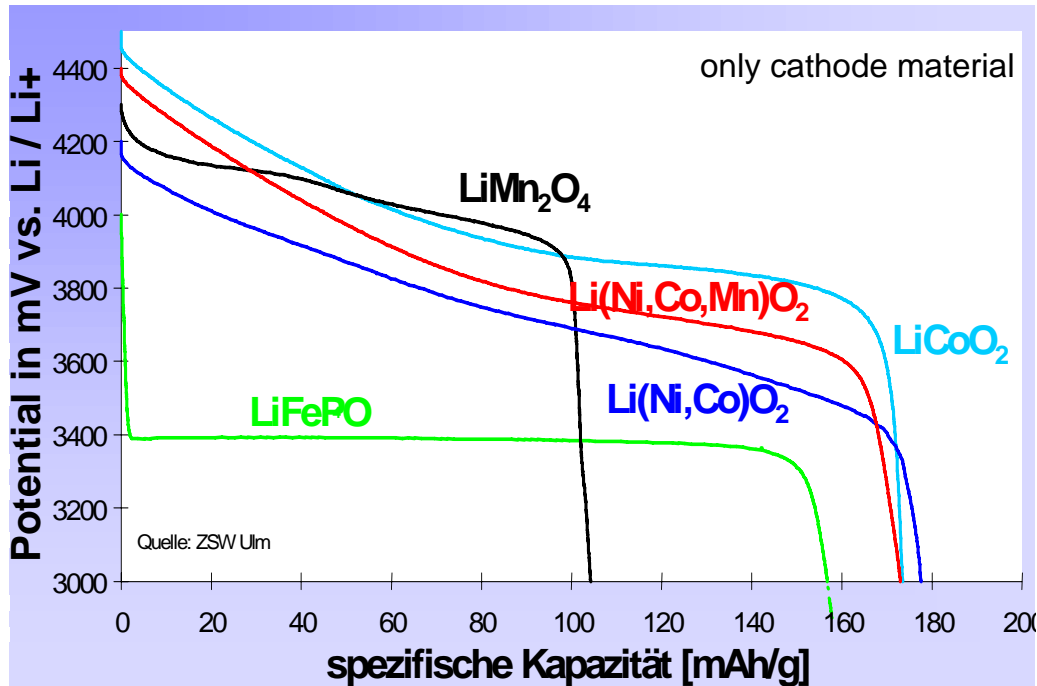
The lithium ion system („Rocking Chair“)



Main technologies in the focus for lithium-ion batteries



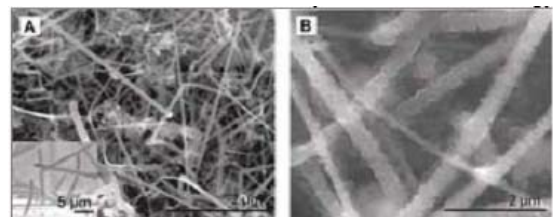
Lithium-ion batteries – Performance of different materials



Important technology innovations under development

Improved energy density by

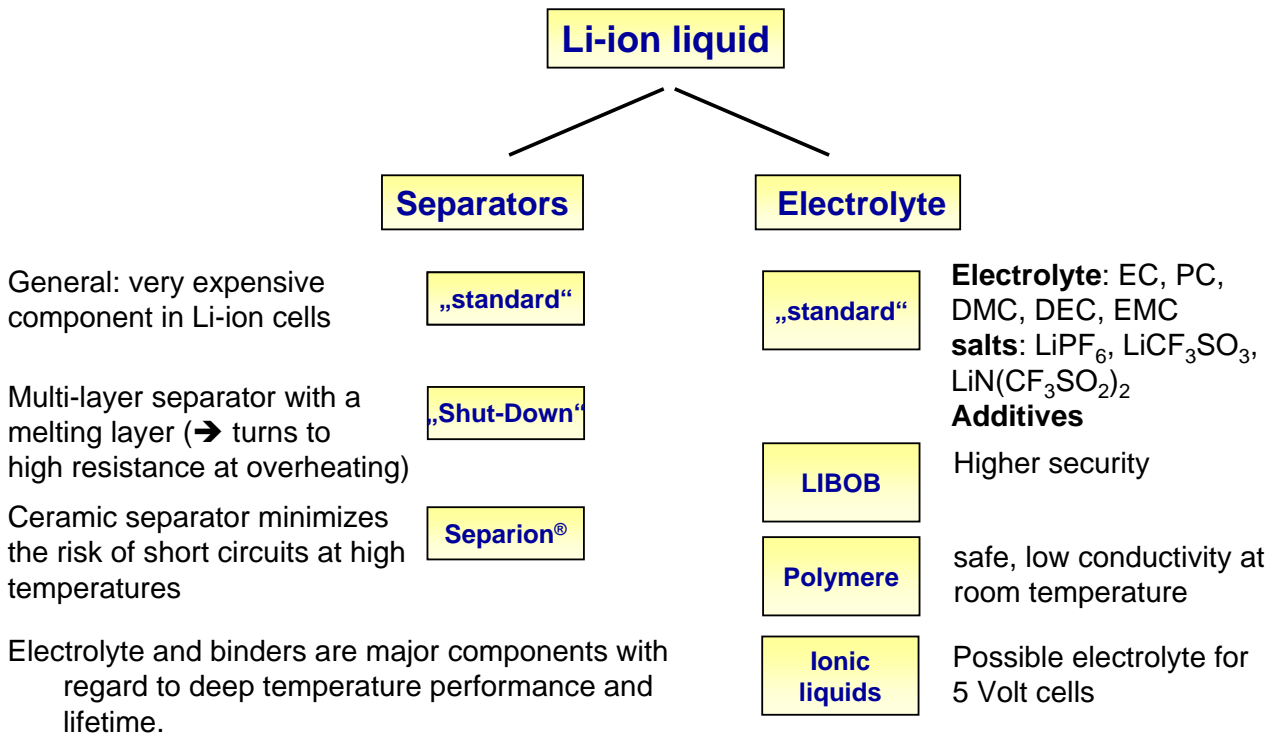
- „5 Volt“ cathode materials e.g. LiCoPO_4
 - Advantage: high potential, high safety
 - disadvantage: costs of cobalt, sufficient cycle lifetimes not confirmed
- Silicon anode materials (LiSi_5)
 - Advantage: theo. 11x higher energy density of the anode compared with graphite
 - Disadvantage: high volume expansion, severe lifetime problems



Quelle: Stanford University – Silicon Nano Wires

- Energy densities up to a maximum of 300 Wh/kg might be possible

Actual main R&D topics for Li-ion batteries



Different cell concepts



Round cells

- Long years of experience with cell design
- High lifetime expectations
- Cooling difficult



„Coffee bag“ cells

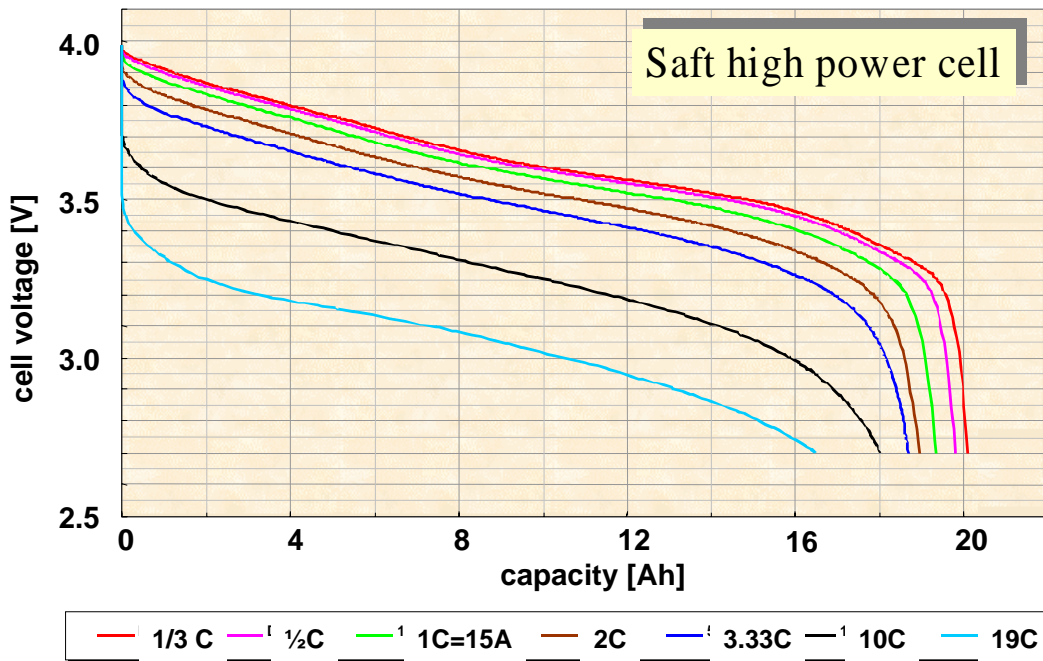
- Very good cooling properties
- High energy density
- Tightness of foils still in question



Prismatic cells

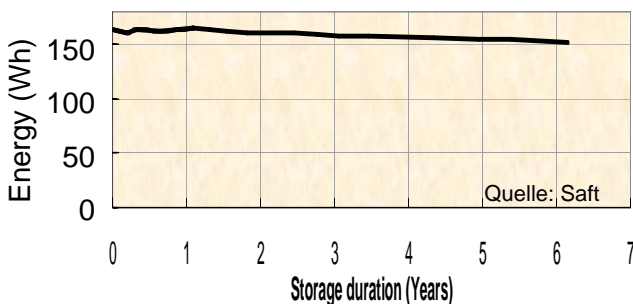
- Simple system design
- Combines several advantages of round cells and coffee-bag cells

Discharge characteristic of Li-Ion „High Power“ batteries

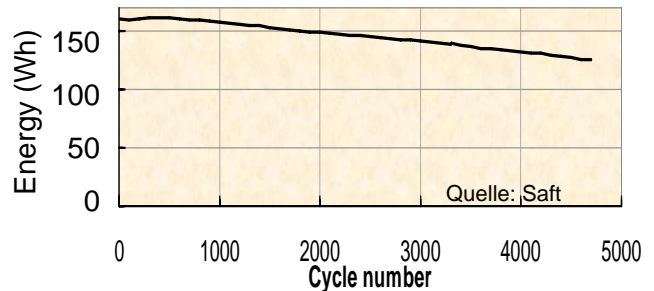


Electrical performance (cell level)

	high energy	high power
• Power density	200 – 400 W/kg	2000 – 4000 W/kg
• Energy density	120 – 160 Wh/kg	80 – 100 Wh/kg
• Efficiency	~ 95%	~ 90%
• Self discharge	< 5%/month (25°C)	< 5%/month (25°C)
• Cycle lifetime	up to 5000 full cycles	10 ⁶ (3.3% DOD)



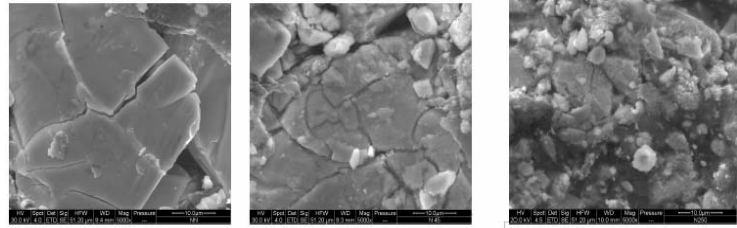
Calendar life assessment at 40°C and 100 % SOC



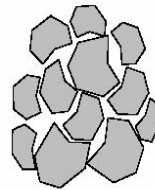
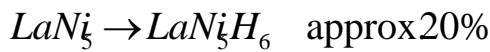
Cycle life assessment at 20°C at 80 % DOD cycle

Ageing effects by cycling NiMH-batteries

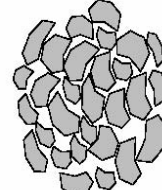
- Grid expansion during emplacement of hydrogen leads to mechanical stress and thereby destroys crystals of metal alloy



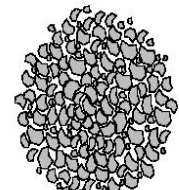
volume expansion



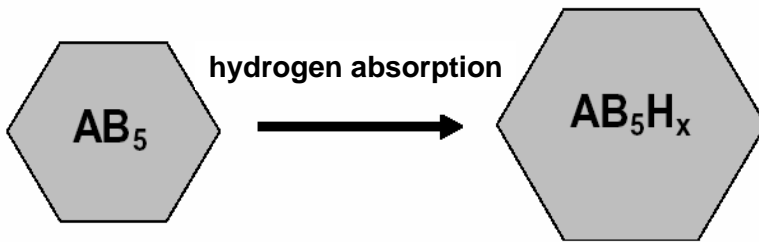
2 cycles



10 cycles



50 cycles



Life time as a function of cycle range

(Generally similar for lithium-ion-, NiMH- and lead-acid-batteries, but absolute numbers varying depending on technology)

There is a lot of additional battery cycle lifetime to support grid stability or doing energy trading!

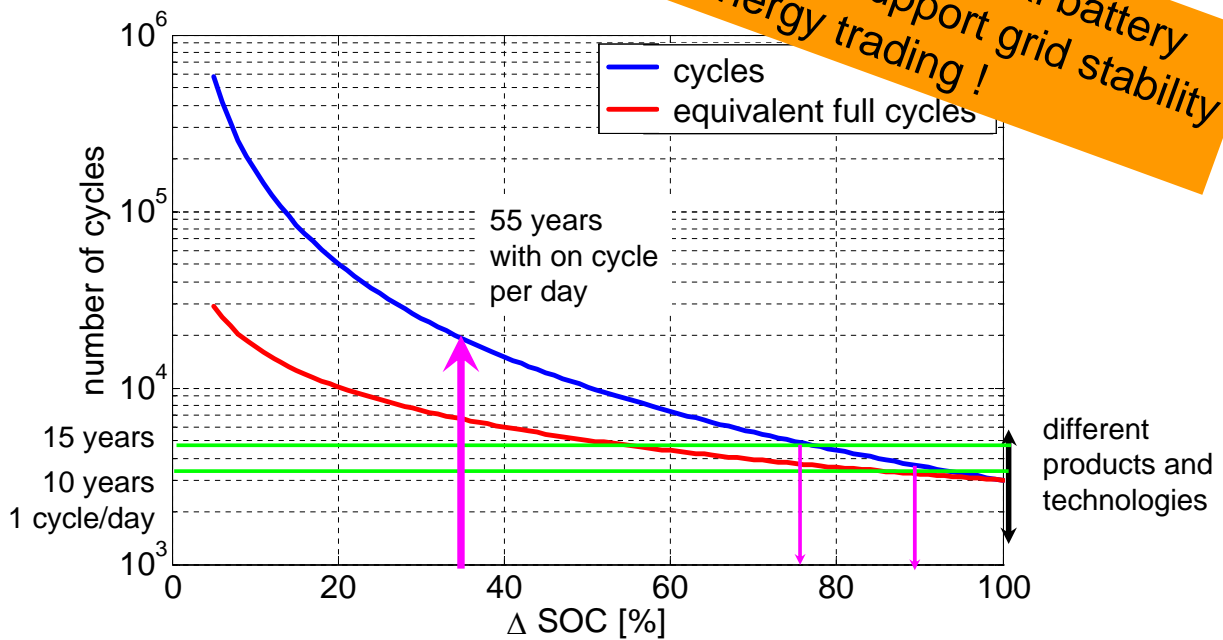
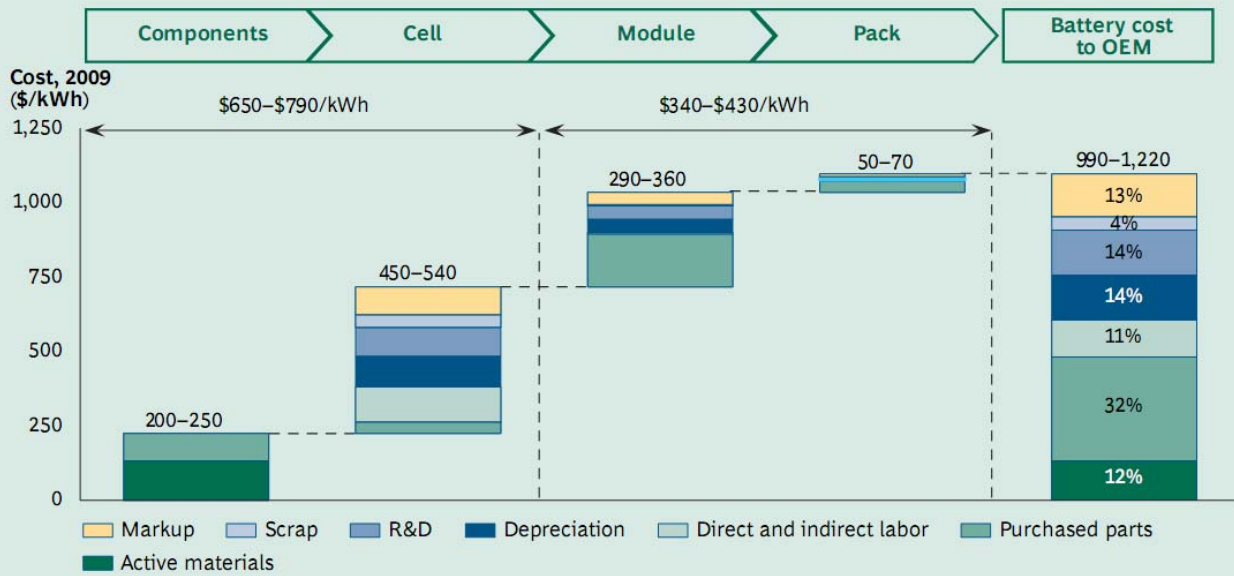


Exhibit 3. Batteries Cost OEMs About \$1,100 per kWh at Low Volumes

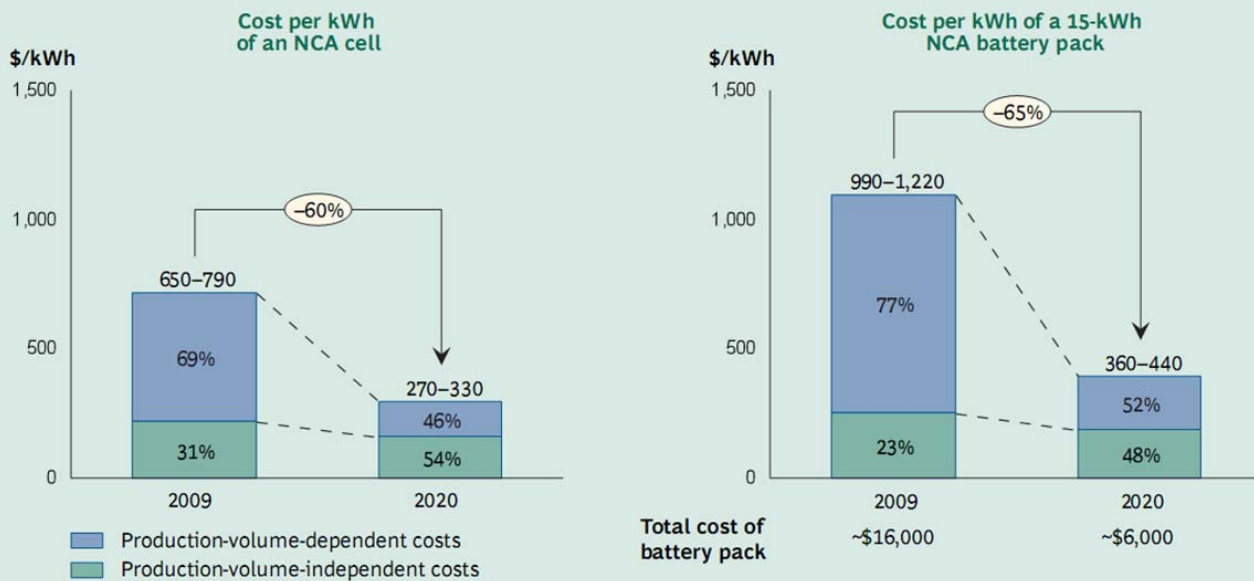


Sources: Interviews with component manufacturers, cell producers, tier one suppliers, OEMs, and academic experts; Argonne National Laboratory; BCG analysis.

Note: Exhibit shows the nominal capacity cost of a 15-kWh NCA battery and assumes annual production of 50,000 cells and 500 batteries, as well as a 10 percent scrap rate at the cell level and a 2 percent scrap rate at the module level. Numbers are rounded.

Quelle: Boston Consulting Group, 2009

Exhibit 4. Battery Costs Will Decline 60 to 65 Percent from 2009 to 2020

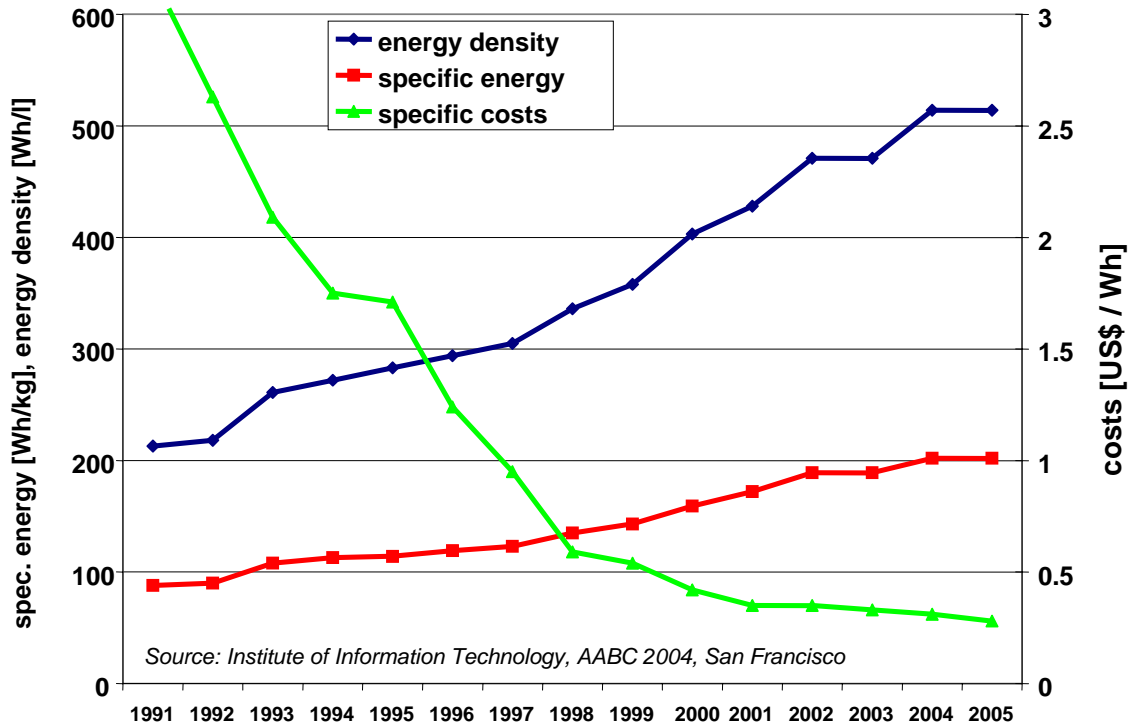


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Cost development of consumer cells of the type 18650 (standard cell e.g. used in battery packs of laptops)



Most important battery manufacturers of lithium-ion consumer batteries (type 18650 cell)

Battery manufacturer	Country	Production in million cells
Sanyo	Japan	588
Samsung	Korea	386
Sony	Japan	359
Panasonic	Japan	237
LG Chem	Korea	ca. 200

source: Institute Information Technology, data for 2007

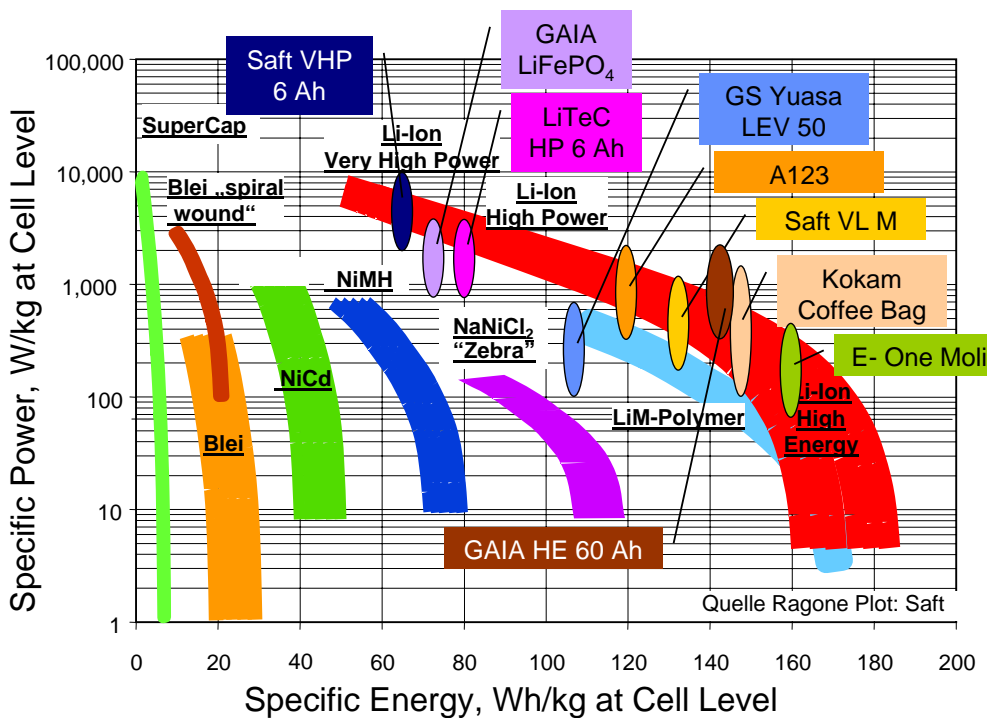
Main tracks of current R&D activities on Li-ion batteries

- Maximising safety and reliability
- Reduction of costs by material selection and economy of scale
- Transferring life cycle results from the lab to the field
- Improving the usable DOD while maintaining the lifetime
- Optimisation of system technology (mainly costs)
- Improving the energy density

Consolidation of the technology and preparing for mass production is in the focus.

Improving of energy density improves the market penetration only slightly.

Products are available on the market



What follows from costs and performance of lithium-ion batteries?

Batteries are expensive

- $15 \text{ kWh}/100\text{km} \times 300 \text{ €/kWh} = 4,500 \text{ €/100km}$
(selling price to the car manufacturer, after (!) cost reduction)

Batteries for electric vehicles cost as much as the total remaining car

- Costs for a small to medium size vehicle (all parts and manufacturing) are in the order of 5,000 €/vehicle

Lithium-ion batteries achieve many more cycles than typically used, but the battery will die even without cycling after a certain time

Why long-ranging full electric vehicle are not economic for the mass market An example.

Size of the battery for 200 km full electric driving: approx. 30 kWh
(ranges from 24 kWh for very efficient small vehicles to 40 kWh)

Costs for battery purchase (selling from battery manufacturer to car manufacturer): approx. $30 \times 300 \text{ €} = 9,000 \text{ €}$

Selling price to the user: approx $9,000 \text{ €} \times 1,8 = 16,200 \text{ €}$ for the battery only

→ Weight at 100 Wh/kg → 300 kg

→ Battery dies after 10 to 15 years anyway, even if it wouldn't be used at all..

Average usage of vehicles in Germany: 37 km/day

→ 80% of the battery dies unused.

A full electric vehicle as a mass product remains a short ranging vehicle.

100 km full electric driving range seems to be an appropriate sizing.

Fast charging and exchangeable battery concepts try to make the full electric vehicle a one-by-one replacement of today's conventional vehicles.

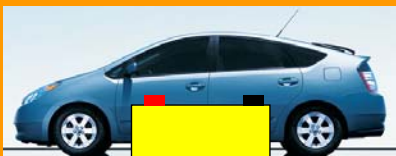
This is nonsense from an economical and from an ecological point of view.

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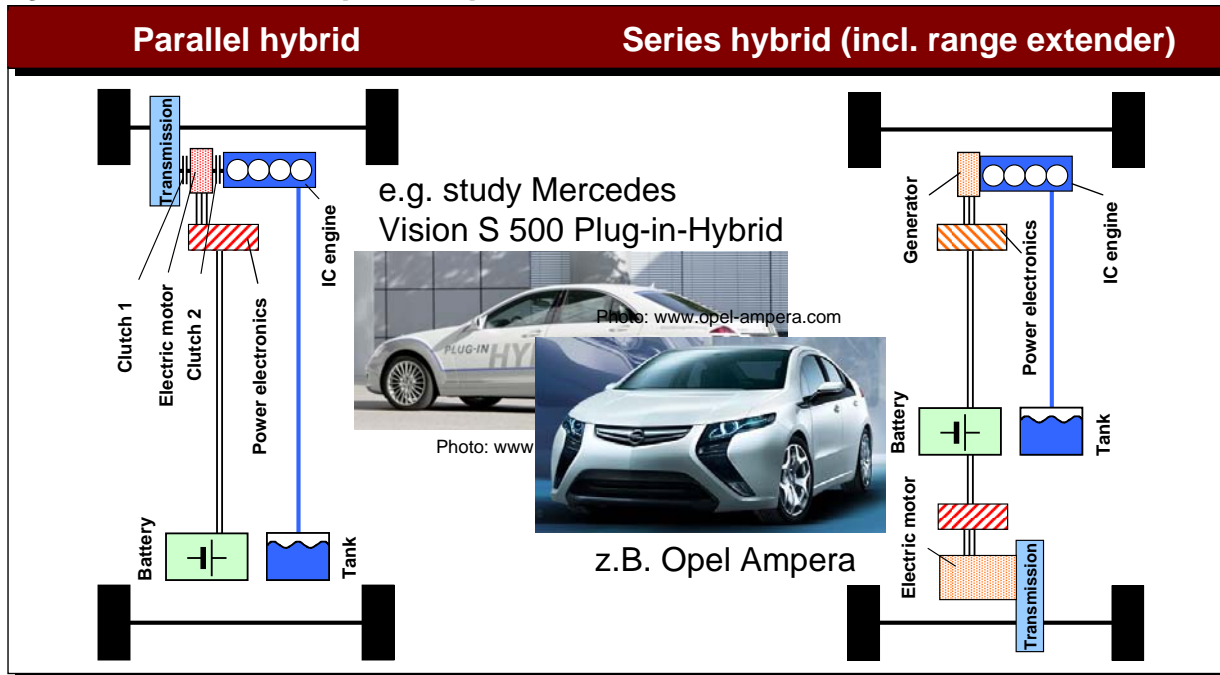
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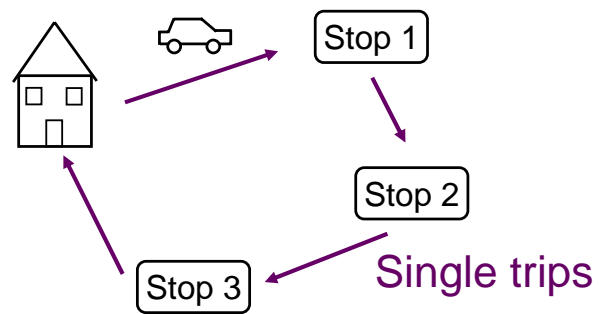
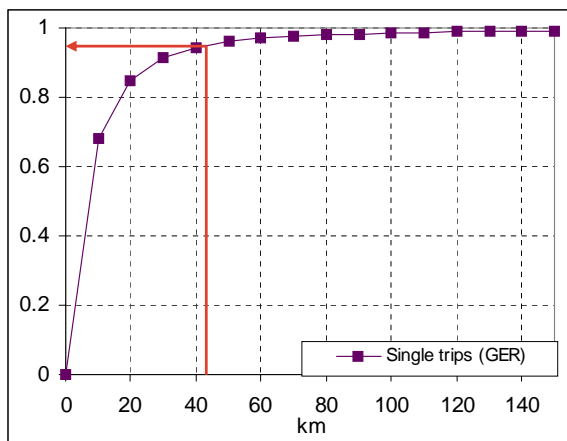
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Topology of hybrid- (HEV) and Plug-in hybrid vehicles (PHEV)



Graphik: Dr. Kube, Volkswagen Konzernforschung, 2007

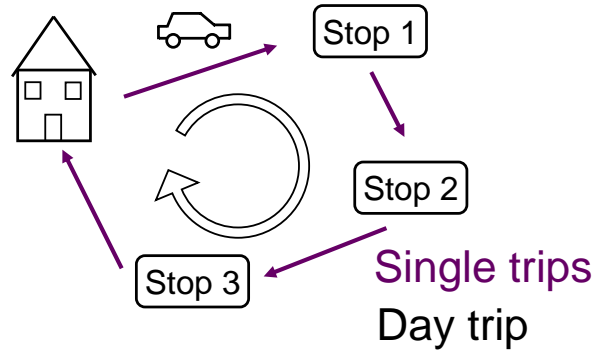
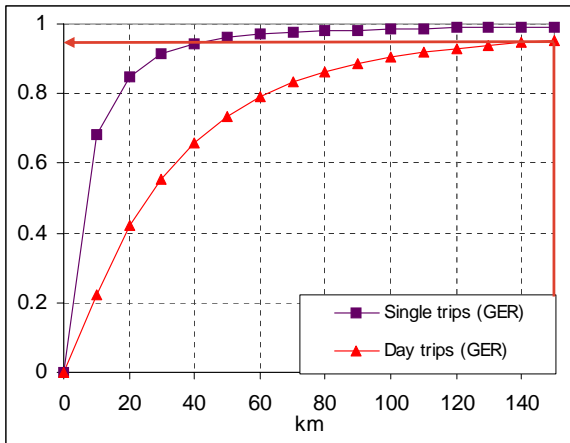
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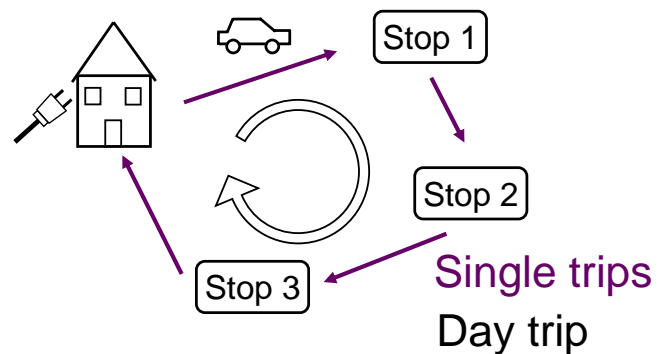
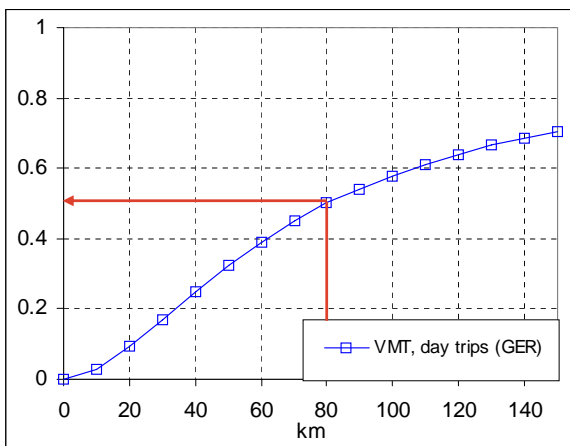
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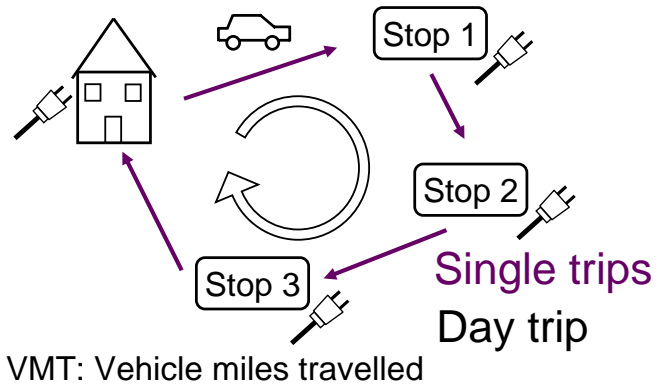
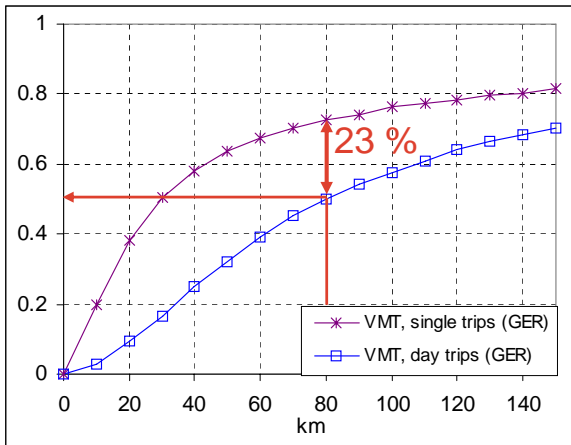


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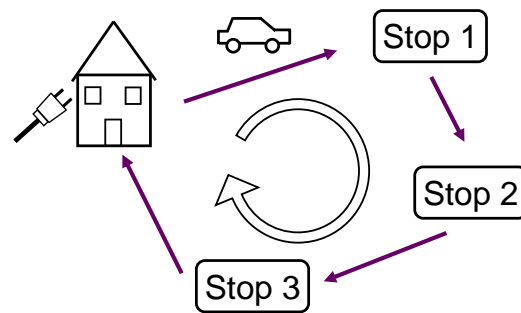
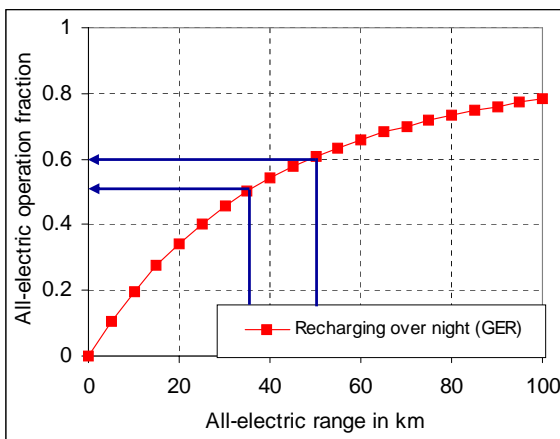
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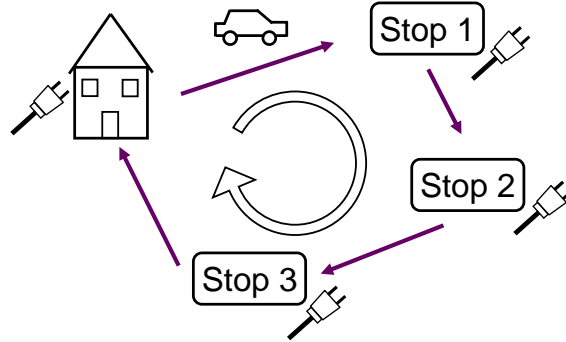
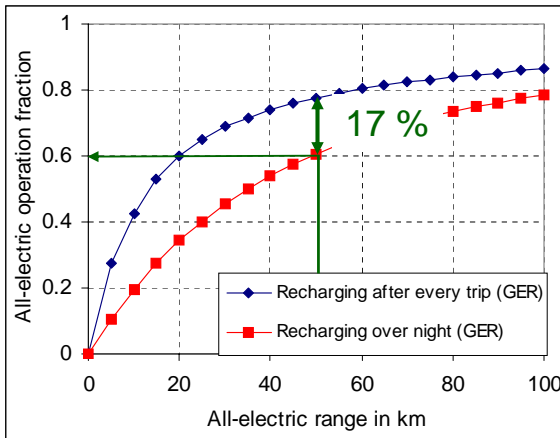
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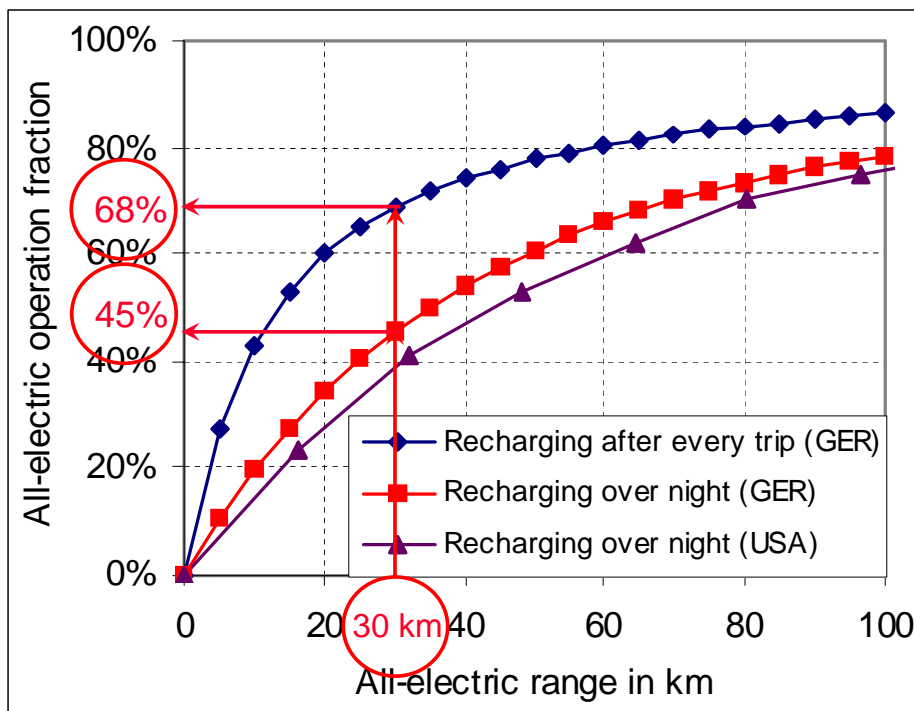


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Sizing of the battery of Plug-in hybrids

→ very high fuel saving potential with small battery



Electro mobility concepts need to be intelligent :

→ Full electric vehicles for short distances
(„second family car“, urban delivery,
craftsmen, etc.)

or expensive upper class cars where costs are not a major issue, or for
user with a very high daily mileage

→ Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles is the
replacement technology for today's universal
cars with a high degree of fuel substitution

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