Energy Usage Considerations of Electric Drive Vehicles

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Why Electric Drive Vehicles?

- Some or all of tractive power provided from electric motor
- Bidirectional torque able to recapture kinetic energy during braking and recapture potential energy when descending a hill
- Motor runs on electricity opens up potential for other sources of energy than petroleum-based fuels
- Rationale for adopting electric drive
 - Emissions
 - Criteria pollutants
 - Greenhouse gas
 - Energy Security
 - Energy Efficiency

Types of Electric Drive Vehicles and Fuels

- Battery EV
 - Electricity
- Hybrid
 - Gasoline, Diesel
 - Natural Gas
 - Renewable Liquid fuel
 - Hydrogen
- Plug-in Hybrid
 - Adds electricity to fuel-only hybrid
- Fuel Cell
 - Hydrogen
 - Natural gas
 - Electricity
 - Other

Vehicle Power Profile

- Vehicle power profile in urban driving characterized by high peaks (positive and negative), and low average power
- Not well matched to conventional ICE drivetrain
 - Poor average engine efficiency
 - No recapture of energy while slowing; lost as heat in brakes



Time, sec

Regenerative Energy Capture

- Electric drive allows recapture of kinetic energy when slowing or recapture of potential energy when descending a hill
- Energy storage requirements:
 - big enough to store energy from hills
 - High power acceptance
- With the right combination of electric motor and energy storage, friction brakes are not used in normal driving



Significant Electric Drive Milestones/Activities in California since 1990

- 1990 GM Impact debut at LA Auto Show
- 1990 CARB adopts ZEV mandate
- 1996 CARB and automakers adopt MOA
- 1996 GM EV1 available for lease
- 1997 Other EVs become available, most only to fleets
- 2001 First hybrids to market, Prius and Insight
- 2002 Toyota briefly offers RAV4EV for sale
- 2002 ZEV mandate shifts away from EVs to fuel cell vehicle demonstration projects
- 2003 Some RAV4EVs exceed 100,000 miles on original battery packs
- 2004 GM takes back EV1s, crushes them
- 2004 Governor's executive order to build the "hydrogen highway"
- 2005 EV1 enthusiasts hold 24/7 vigil at EV1 storage site
- 2005 California legislature appropriates funds to start building hydrogen highway

EV and FCV Events and Rallies





EV events usually organized by drivers



FCV events carefully scripted and stage managed; "Rally thru the Valley", "Crusin' Southern Cal"





EVs in daily use by fleets and public; CARB tracks ongoing progress





100,000-mile RAV4 EVs in 2003



Popular EV parking at LAX



CARB board meeting



CARB ZEV workshop

RIP EV1













- 1996 MOA between CARB and Automakers
 - Required advanced batteries, rather than specific vehicle performance; penalized efficient purpose-built EV1 which worked well with lead acid batteries (Advanced battery added \$40K to manufacturing cost of EV1)
 - Ambiguous language of MOA
 - "Manufacturer commits that it will have the capacity to produce specified numbers of ZEVs that could be sold in California if warranted by customer demand "
- California picked the least practical approach (hydrogen) for attention/funding, just as other alternatives were on the verge of becoming practical
- Aimed for a solution which was thought to be the best for the long term instead of incremental improvement of nearer-term demonstrated successes

How Do We Account for the Environmental Footprint of Vehicle Alternatives?

- Is it enough to say that an option is green just because it can be fuelled with renewable energy? It matters <u>how much</u> renewable energy it takes!
- How to factor in the opportunity cost of using renewable energy?



as to how much renewable electricity each option uses.

- Hydrogen is an energy carrier made from other sources of energy - principally natural gas and electricity
- Natural gas and electricity work well directly in vehicles
- There needs to be a compelling reason to go through the trouble of converting natural gas or electricity to hydrogen to use in a vehicle, rather than using these energy sources directly in vehicles

Hydrogen Made with Electricity

- 65 kWh per kg : Stuart datasheet, and as derived from Honda's published data on solar hydrogen station
 - Includes electrolysis and compression
- In a fuel cell, 1 kg of hydrogen produces about 16 kWh of electricity to drive the wheels (~ 50% efficiency)
- 65 kWh in; 16 kWh out Overall efficiency 25%;

75% of input energy is lost





Fuel Cell Vehicle Uses Four Times as Much Electricity per Mile as EV



Honda Solar Hydrogen Station



32 kWh/day solar energy toproduces hydrogen, provides28 miles with zero CO2









Better Use of 32 kWh/day Solar Energy



Hydrogen made with Natural Gas

Some energy lost converting natural gas to hydrogen



* CA H2 Net Societal Benefits team report, 2010 scenario for on-site NG steam reforming data results in only 60.6% of NG LHV converted to H2 LHV if the required electricity for the process is produced with 8500BTU/kWh NG powerplant

Fuel Cell Vehicle vs. CNG Hybrid



56.5 miles -

65.9 miles

* (Holdigaz SA &Gaznat SA Switzerland) 18

Plug in Hybrid Vehicles How Important is "ZEV" Range?

- A plug-in hybrid is conventionally thought of as having some driving range (say 30 miles) on battery power only
- However, most of the benefits of offsetting petroleum-based fuels with electricity can be realized with a low-power battery pack working together with the engine
 - Battery pack provides low power engine-off driving around town
 - Engine kicks in to provide high power
 - Battery and engine split the load on highway
- This approach places far less demand on the battery than a vehicle capable of full-performance EV-mode operation
- A 6kWh lithium ion battery (40kg, \$2700) could offset ~half of daily gasoline use in a plug-in Prius
 - 5kWh daily energy offsets gasoline sufficient for 18 miles, half of 36 miles/daily use (13k miles/year)
- Example of this type of vehicle: Energy CS / EDrive Systems Prius





ZEV Progress over the Last Decade (?)



1997: A-Class EV Range: 125 miles (>180 miles w/current Battery technology)

Electricity use: 300 Wh/mile



2006: A-Class Fuel Cell Vehicle Range: 110 miles

Electricity use: 1130 Wh/mile

Some Future Electric Vehicles

- Subaru R1e
 - 10-vehicle demo fleet in Japan
 - Lithium ion fast charge
- Mitsubishi MIEV
 - Lithium battery
 - Wheel motors
- AC Propulsion EV
 - Lithium ion, 150-200 mile range
 - V2G ready
- Tesla Motors
 - EV startup San Carlos CA
 - "Drivers deserve zero emissions, zero gasoline, but in a car that looks great and drives exceptionally well. Drivers, get ready."







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Vehicle to Grid "V2G"

- Vehicles in use about 1-2 hours/day, parked 22-23 hours/day
- Idle vehicles connected to the grid can perform ancillary services for grid operator, creating value
 - Commanded wirelessly
- Most valuable service is Regulation the continuous matching of generation and load
 - Regulation needed 24/7, 4 second update rate
 - CARB sponsored successful AC Propulsion V2G demo project in 2002, Cal ISO participated
- V2G usually considered bi-directional power -to and from grid, but initial rollout can be simplified by keeping power unidirectional (i.e. grid operator remotely controls battery charger power drawn from grid)
- V2G can be a good match to intermittent renewables (wind, solar), enabling larger penetration of renewables on the power grid

Grid Regulation with an EV or HEV





Does Solar Make Sense ON Vehicles?

- Conventional wisdom is that solar power not suited for cars
- But added to plug-in hybrid or EV may make sense
 - 1.5 sq meters, 300W rated
 - \$4/W installed in high volume
 - \$1200 option
 - 1.5 kWh/day energy capture
 - Provides 5 miles daily, offsets
 0.1 gallons, or \$0.30 @
 \$3.00/gal
 - Provides 14% of energy for 13k miles/year usage
 - Energy value \$0.20/kWh
 - Pays for itself in 11 years



1987 GM Sunraycer, 50 mph direct solar



2005 Solar-assist Prius

When Does Hydrogen Make Sense?

- When all electricity is created with zero greenhouse gas emissions
- When there is surplus electricity for which there is no other use
- If a zero CO2 method of hydrogen production is invented that uses energy sources that are not already in use.
- Long-endurance high-altitude aircraft, where the high specific energy (energy per weight) of hydrogen can be a significant benefit
- Applications that need long-duration power without combustion



My Prediction for the Future of Passenger Vehicles

- Hybrids will become the 'standard' type of fueled vehicle
 - Blended flex fuel capability to allow gradual shift away from petroleum-based fuels to biofuels and coal-based fuels
 - Plug-in capability will follow, becoming standard as well.
 Half of vehicle energy use through grid electricity
- Battery electric vehicles (BEVs) will return, with small but significant market share
 - Will be preferred by many drivers for features, drivability
 - Larger battery and charger are better for V2G; benefits of V2G will increase BEV market share
- Hydrogen very unlikely to become an automotive fuel
 - Too much energy wasted to make it
 - Too hard to store it
 - Not as good as the alternatives