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GHG emissions of an electrified vehicle combined with renewable fuels: LCA and policy implications

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Why?

- Electrification is widely perceived as a silver bullet for GHG mitigation
 - Policy actions favor EVs and largely ignore other alternatives
- What about renewable fuels? Only a few comparative assessments are made
 - These show that renewable fuels compare well with electrification
 - No assessments of combinations of electrification and renewable fuels

How does a combination of renewable fuels and electrification compare to electrification alone?

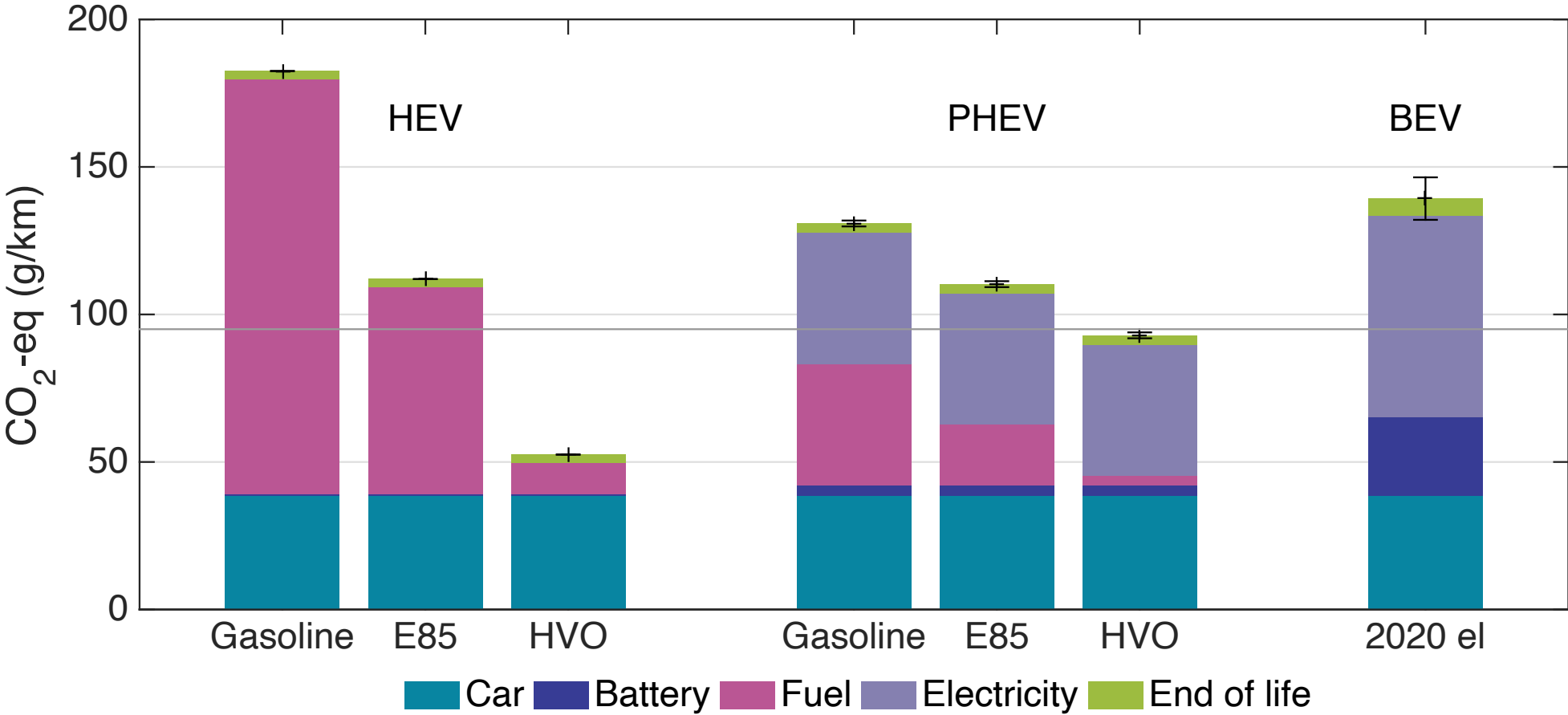
- Sensitivity analysis with respect to the GHG intensity of the electricity mix and fuel



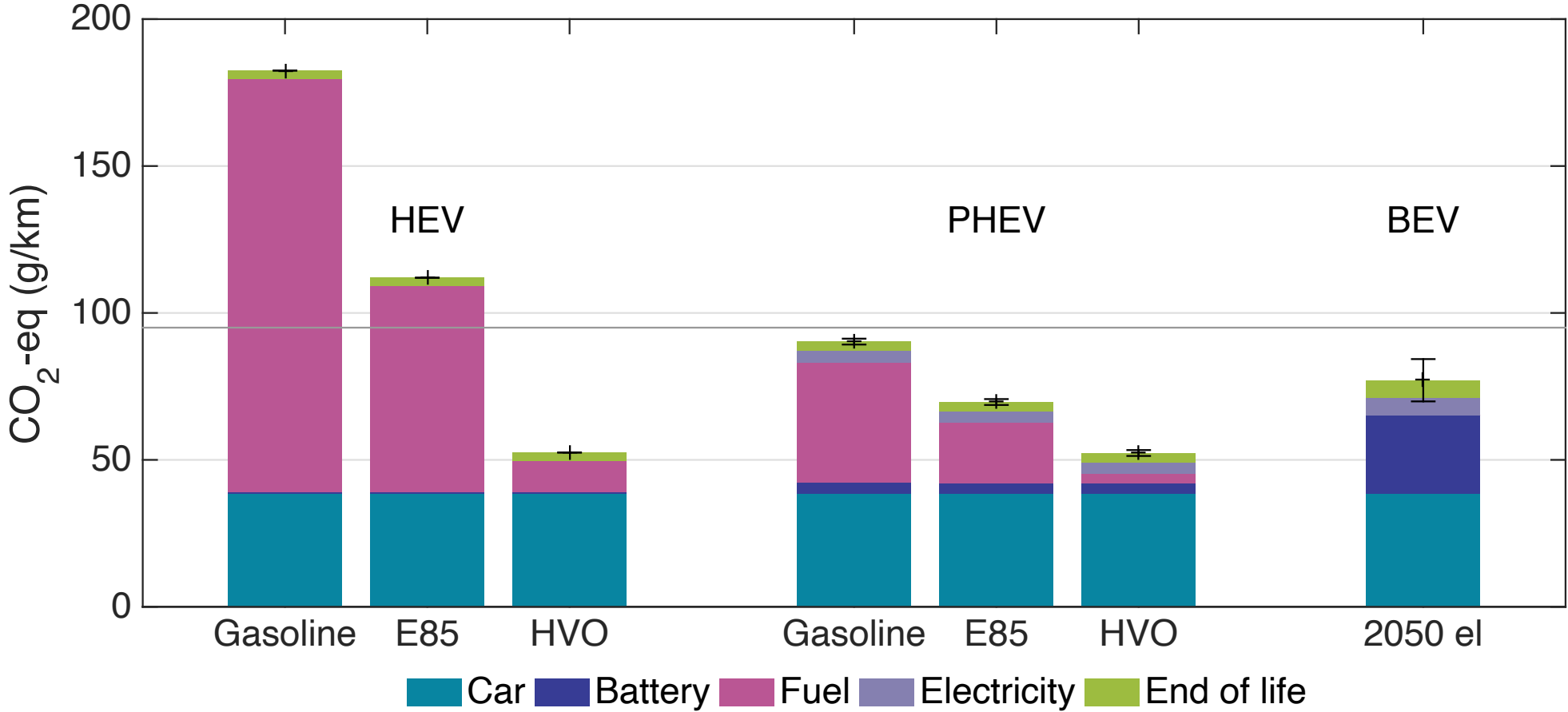


Powertrain	HEV	PHEV	BEV
Engine	1.6 l / 4 cyl / gasoline	1.6 l / 4 cyl / gasoline	
Battery type	Li ion polymer	Li ion polymer	Li ion polymer
Battery capacity (kWh)	1.6	8.9	64
Battery mass (kg)	33	117	457
Fuel consumption WLTP (l/100 km)	4.8	1.4	0
Electricity consumption WLTP (kWh/100 km)	0	no data	15.9
CO ₂ WLTP (g/km)	110	31	0

Results with present EU-28 electricity mix (2020)



2050 EU-28 electricity mix



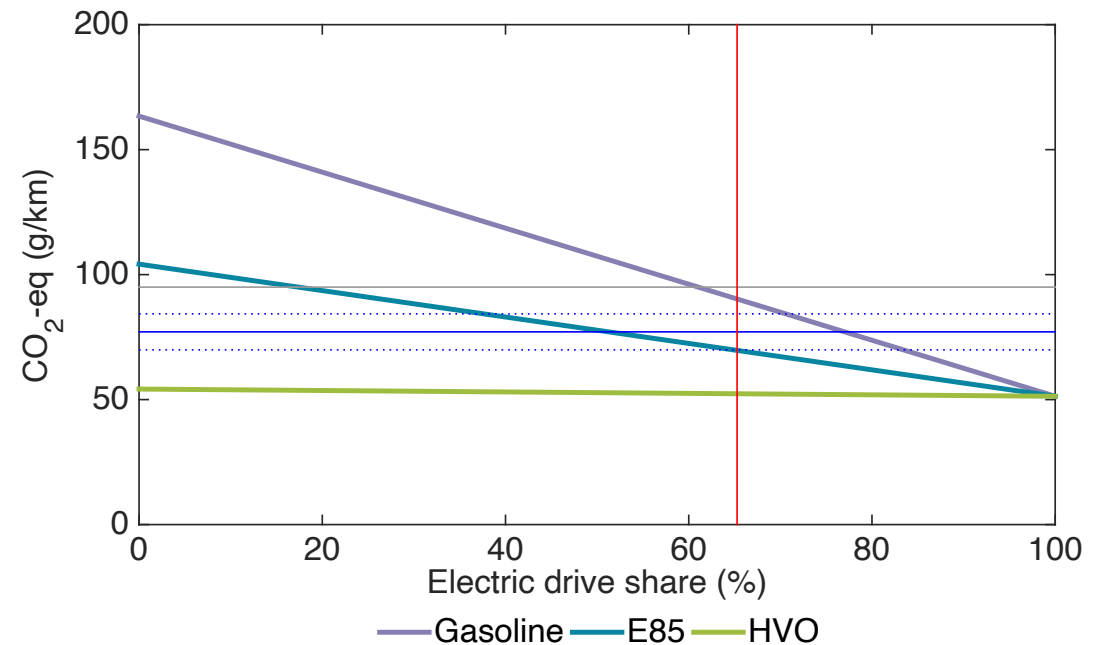
PHEV: Impact of the share of electric drive

- The WLTP CO₂ emissions are based on a weighted average between ICE mode and electric mode
 - The weight is determined by the electric range of the PHEV
 - For Kia Niro PHEV, the electric drive factor is 65 %
- What is the effect of the share of electric drive?



2050 EU-28 electricity

- Gasoline breaks even with BEV at 77% EDS
 - Achieved at 60 km electric range (Plötz et al.)
- E85 breaks even at 52% EDS
- HVO is always better than BEV



Grey line: 95 g/km

Blue line: BEV level (77 g/km)



The Great Pyramid of Cheops

- 2.3 million blocks of stone, 2.5 tonnes each
- 5.8 million tonnes in total
- Annual car production: 70 million
 - With Kia e-Niro batteries: 32 million tonnes of batteries per year
 - 5.5 Cheops pyramids
- Total number of cars in the world: 1.3 billion
 - With Kia e-Niro batteries: 594 million tonnes of batteries
 - 102 Cheops pyramids



Niagara Falls, Buffalo, NY



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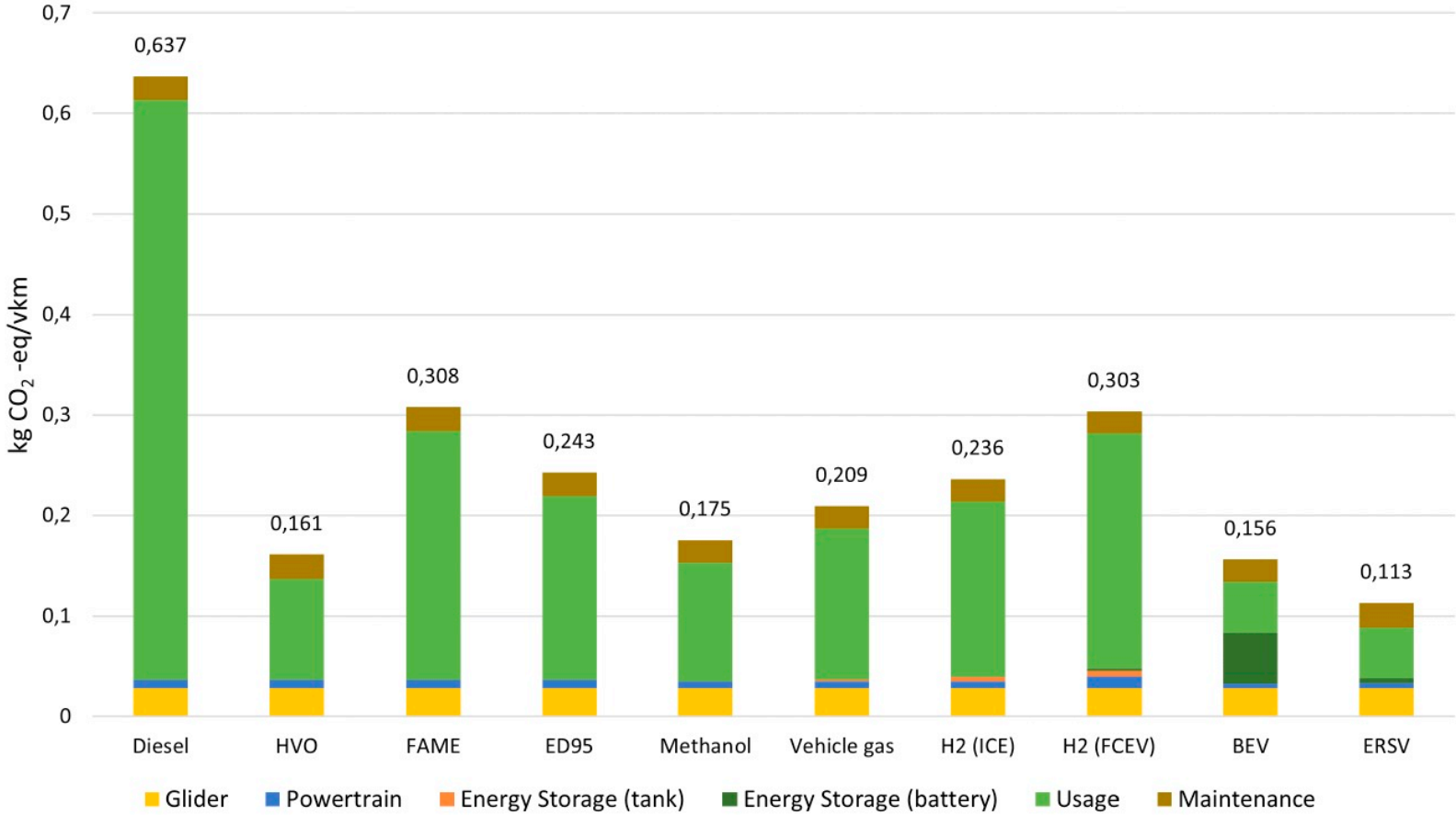
The potential of PHEVs

A number of interesting features

- With gasoline, GHG emissions are comparable to those of a BEV
- Smaller batteries enable a limited supply of battery minerals to electrify a larger fleet
- Smaller batteries reduce the production GHG footprint compared to BEVs
- Large EDS enables a limited supply of renewable fuels to cover more of the demand for fuel



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What we need to meet the climate targets

1. Drastic reduction of the grid GHG intensity
 - Needed to achieve meaningful GHG reduction with electrification
2. Increased production of sustainable, renewable fuels
 - Enables reduction below what is allowed by electrification alone, now and in the future
3. Transfer of transport work from the car fleet to less energy intense modes of transport
 - Public transport, bicycling, and walking enables reduction below the limits of technology



Conclusions

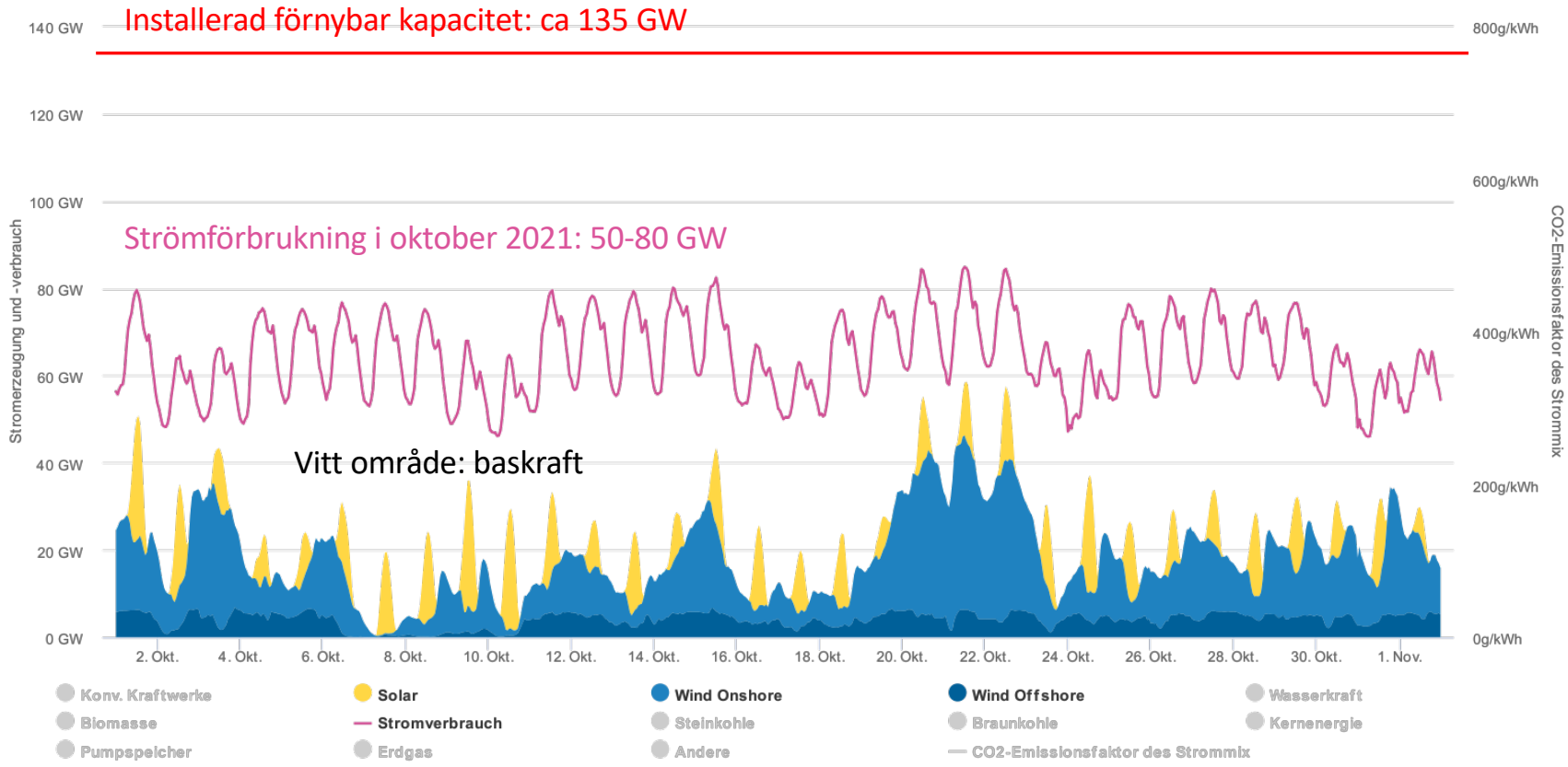
- 1) The zero emission vehicle definition leads to zero emissions only on paper
 - A technology-neutral, lifecycle-based certification method is needed

- 2) Electrification is unlikely to reduce fleet GHG emissions by 90% until 2050
 - Renewable fuels increase the potential to reach the climate goals of the car fleet
 - By favoring electrification over renewable fuels, current policy instruments reduce the potential to reach this goal

- 3) PHEVs, rather than being viewed as transitional, could be seen as an enabling technology for meeting more ambitious climate goals



Varför lagra el?

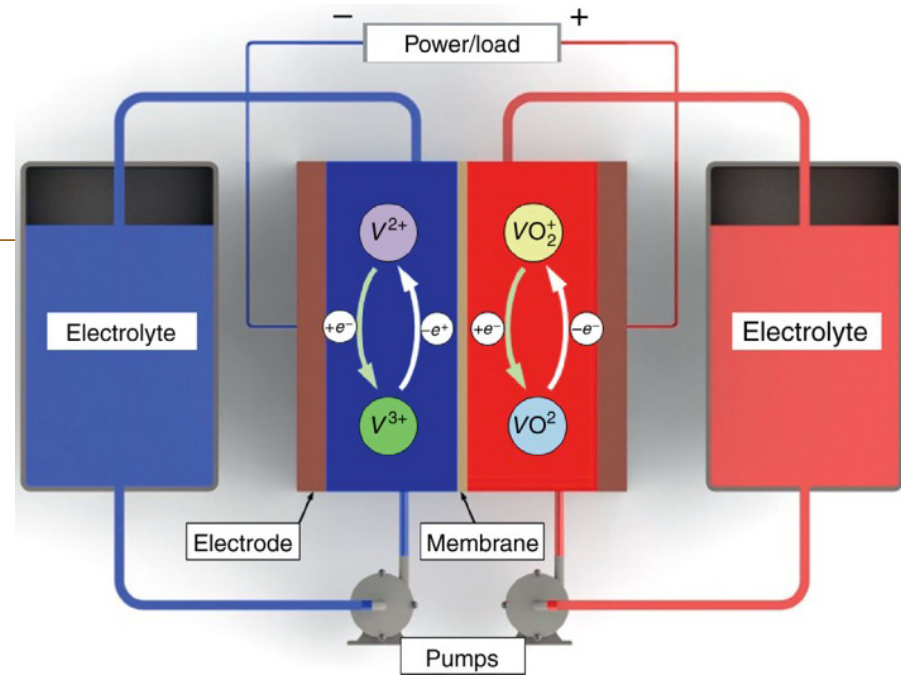


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Flödesbatterier

- Elektrolyten hålls i två separata tankar
 - Skiljs åt av ett membran varigenom jonutbyte sker
 - » Kan drivas åt båda håll
- Ingen självurladdning alls
 - Lätt att skala upp, bara bygga större tankar för mer lagring
 - Större membran för ökad effekt
- Lång livslängd
 - > 20 000 cykler
- Låg energidensitet
- 800 MWh batteri byggs i Kina
 - Driver Sverige i fyra minuter

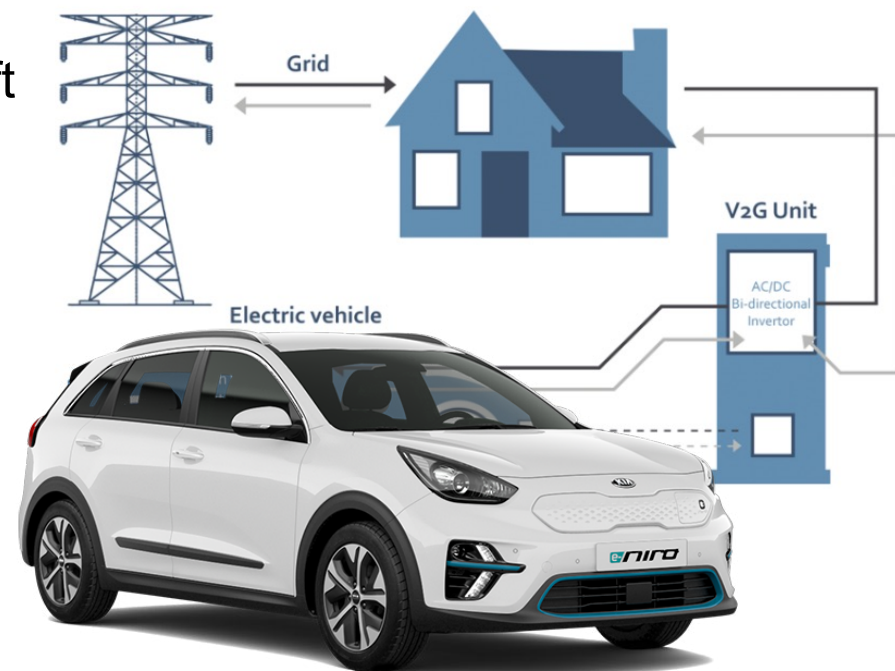


Smart grid?

Om vi byter ut alla bilar mot elbilar finns potential att använda dem som balanskraft när de är inkopplade

Exempel:

- Kia e-Niro
 - 64 kWh Li-jonbatteri
- 5 miljoner bilar i Sverige
 - 0,32 TWh kapacitet
- Driver Sverige i 21 timmar!



Inte ens i denna enorma skala är batterier lämpliga för säsongslagring av el. Dock fungerar de utmärkt för frekvensreglering och korttidslagring.



Vätgas som reservkraft?



Avicii Arena (f.d. Globen):

- Höjd 110,4 m
- Volym 605 000 m³

Fyll den med flytande H₂:

- Driver Sverige 2 dygn*

* Bränslecell med 50% verkningsgrad





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