

Power-trains for "More" Electric Road Vehicles

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Early electric road vehicle



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Electric road vehicle infrastructure



Electric vehicle and electrolytic rectifier charging station

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Hybrid or 'More-electric' road vehicles



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Automotive applications of electrical machines and drives



Note: Installed electrical capacity projected to rise to 15kW over next 5 years (simple sum:- 15kW/12V = 1250A)

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'More electric' automotive drive-trains



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Fleet Conversions



3.5 tonne delivery vehicles

7.5 tonne delivery vehicles



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7.5 Tonne All-Electric Delivery Vehicle



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Vehicle kinematics and power-train rating



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NEDC vehicle reference driving cycle



Cycle consists of :

Cycle duration (s)

- 4 x ECE15 standard driving cycles with enhanced acceleration
- 1 x ECE sub-urban cycle



Dynamic power over NEDC driving cycle



1.5 tonne vehicle on zero road gradient

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Traction machine torque vs. time





Traction machine torque - speed for a gear ratio of 8.83



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Brushed dc motor



4 Quadrant drive



Motoring S1,S3 and D1,D3 Braking S2,S4 and D2,D4 Forward duty >50% _____ Reverse duty <50% _____

Induction motor



Rotor losses dissipated across airgap by convection

Narrow airgap for low reactive power

Cast aluminium or copper rotor bars

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Brushless permanent magnet motor



Concentrated or distributed multi-phase winding topologies

Permanent magnet rotor excitation



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Switched reluctance motor





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Traction motor, gear and differential configurations





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Prototype traction machine, gear-stage and differential



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Toyota Prius drive-train



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'More electric' vehicle power electronics and control



Driver display screen

Toyota Prius :

Integrated power electronics



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Shear stress $\sigma = K_u B Q$ $\sigma \Rightarrow Output coefficient$ Torque = $\pi/2 D^2 L K_u B Q$ Torque per unit rotor volume = 2σ

- K_u factor which relates to the practical realisation of the magnetic field and current sheet
- B average airgap flux density limited by maximum working flux densities of stator/rotor iron and permanent magnets
- Q electrical loading (total ampere stream per meter of airgap circumference) limited thermally by ability to dissipate winding I²R loss



Comparison of motor output coefficients

(COD)				
	Κ _U	B (T)	Q (A/m)	σ (kPa)
Brushed DC	1.0	0.7	20,000	14.0
Induction	0.81	0.57	32,000	14.7
Inverter fed IM	1.0	0.57	32,000	18.4
Synchronous	1.0	0.64	47,000	30.4
Brushless PM	0.94	0.9	50,000	42.3
Switched reluctance	1.29	0.3	50,000	19.4

Note: Q values assume forced air cooling of windings

Reference: J.G. West, IEE Power Division Colloquium on Motors and Drives for Battery Powered Propulsion, London, April 1993, Digest 1993/080



Research traction machine examples

Machine type	Induction	Brushless PM	Brushless PM
Cooling	Water jacket	Water jacket	Direct oil
Rated torque (Nm)	120	120	60
Max. Speed (rpm)	7,500	10,000	20,000
Rated power (kW)	25.8	46.2	75.4
Total mass (kg)	86	42	13
Specific output (kW/kg)	0.3	1.1	5.6
Specific torque (kNm/m ³)	12	30	81
Materials audit	kg kg/kW	kg kg/kW	
Silicon iron	59.24 2.296	32.31 0.70	
Copper	26.76 1.037	7.7 0.17	
NdFeB Magnets		2.7 0.06	



Other machine materials, copper :



TFC Commodity Charts; http://tfc-charts.w2d.com/; 30-11-10

Copper raw material cost 1988 to 2002: Average 1.0 \$ / lb, (+1.4 / -0.72)

As well as machine mass and volume, material resource and cost impacted by move to lower grade PM's

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Typical induction motor traction drive efficiency map





Typical brushless PM traction drive efficiency map



Peak torque180 NmBase speed4000 rpmMax. speed10000 rpm



Terminal constraints on machine design imposed by the power electronic converter



Limited DC supply : → limitation of machine phase voltage

Converter components and thermal capability of the machine: → limitation of phase current during continuous operation (nominal current) → limitation of phase current during intermittent operation (peak current)



2 operating points to satisfy:

- Torque at peak acceleration, and
- Maximum power.

But, within the converter supply constraints, there are only 2 variables that influence Torque and Power:

- Phase rms emf coefficient (λ_{o}) or
- Phase inductance (L_d).


- Supply constraints yield P_{e(max)},
- Limit on rms phase voltage, V_s
- Limit on peak phase current, I_q

$$T_e = 3 p \lambda_o I_q$$

Torque consideration

 $P_e = \frac{V_s \lambda_o}{L_d} \sin(\delta)$

Power consideration





Generator winding optimisation for extended speed



Power versus speed capability as a function of turns per stator pole

RPM	Turns per stator pole					
		53	60	64	68	70
	I _{pk} (A)	231.95	230.56	218.66	214.78	206.31
2000	Irms (A)	130.16	122.1	117.44	115.12	111.65
	$\eta_{\rm sys}$ (%)	88.58	88.32	89.00	89.37	89.61
	η_{sys} (%)			89.4		
	Ipk (A)	240.19	211.2	210.40	197.09*	194.25*
3000	$I_{rms}(A)$	119.62	109.22	109.45	104.85*	104.13*
	$\eta_{\rm sys}$ (%)	90.16	89.94	90.08	90.53*	90.60*
	$\eta_{\rm sys}$ (%)			89.9 [#]		
	Ipk (A)	214.79	199.67*	191.88*	187.27*	186.77*
4000	Irms (A)	109.37	104.8*	103.02*	102.28*	102.67*
	$\eta_{\rm sys}$ (%)	90.08	90.51*	90.68*	90.76*	90.82*
	$\eta_{ m sys}$ (%)			88.8*		
	$I_{pk}(A)$	221.83	201.26*	192.8*	194.2*	154.24*
4500	$I_{rms}(A)$	113.54	106.79*	105.68*	109.47*	81.82*
	$\eta_{\rm sys}$ (%)	91.02	90.51*	90.08*	88.59*	92.00*
	$\eta_{\rm sys}(\%)$			89.0*		

Table V. Summary of machine phase currents and system efficiency with speed for discontinuous and continuous current

*Achieved with continuous current operation

* Measured data

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Power train connection schemes



Series; dc-dc converter interfaces energy source to dc-link



Power train connection schemes



Series; dc-dc converter interfaces peak power buffer to dc-link



Power train connection schemes

Primary energy store



Parallel; electrical system facilitates power buffer



Example electric vehicle: 550-750Vdc traction system











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Ref.: [2] Schofield et al.



Fuel cell performance issues





Battery terminal voltage with time :



Zebra

Sealed lead-acid

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Lead-acid battery performance issues

Peukert data for a Hawker 12V, 70Ah sealed lead-acid battery



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ZEBRA Z5C Traction battery



TABLE III ZEBRA Z5C BATTERY DATA

Туре	Zebra Z5C	
Capacity	66Ah	
Rated energy	17.8kWh	
Open circuit voltage	278.6V	
Max. regen voltage	335V	
Max. charging voltage	308V	
Min. voltage	186V	
Max. discharge current	224A	
Weight	195kg	
Specific energy	91.2Wh/kg	
Specific power	164W/kg	
Peak power	32kW	
Thermal Loss	<120W	
Cooling	Air	
Battery internal temperature	270 to 350°C	
Ambient temperature	-40 to +70°C	
Dimensions (WxLxH)	533 x 833 x 300 mm	
Number of cells per battery	216	
Cell configuration	2 parallel strings of	
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Contactor and fuse unit

CAN 2b interface to vehicle management unit (VMU)



Forced air ventilation

Battery management unit (BMU)

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ZEBRA battery, Beta-alumina cells



Circular or 'slim line' cross-section.

Cloverleaf or 'monolith' cross-section.



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Lead-acid traction battery model





Current and voltage waveforms for single-step pulse discharging.



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McMaster University Battery test characterisation

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Variation in DC link supply to traction system

Simulated and measured battery terminal voltage for repetitive ECE15 driving



(a) Full data

(b) First 1000s of data



Zebra traction battery model in Matlab/Simulink



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Multi-battery model in Matlab/Simulink



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Multi-battery control



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Multi-battery control





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Capacity (C	/5)	130 Ah
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BCI Group I	Number	Group 27
Weight (app	roximate)	19.5 kg / 42.9 lbs
Terminals, f	emale-threaded	M8 x 1.25
Specific ene	ergy	85 Wh/kg
Energy dens	sity	140 Wh/l
Standard Discharge @ 23°C	Max. cont. current	150 A
	Max. 30 sec. pulse	300 A
	Cut-off voltage	10 V
Standard Charge	Charge voltage	14.6 V
	Float	13.8 V
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TSB "DESERVE" Power-train



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Supercapacitor peak power buffer



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Supercapacitor model in Matlab/Simulink





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Supercapacitor load testing

- (a) PC for Labview control and data acquisition
- (b) Ward-Leonard for controlled DC supply



(c) 3x 48 Volt, 165 F Maxwell supercapacitor units

(d) Measurement PCBs





Testing at MIRA



Dissemination of TSB DESERVE research project activities to UK Govt. Cabinet Minister

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Electric vehicle energy management

Test data over 1xECE15 driving cycle :



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Schematic of HPM generator cross-section

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Ref.: [3] Schofield et al.



Generator interfacing issues - control philosophy



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Generator interfacing issues - control philosophy





Wound field power loss during driving cycle and over battery SoC variation

Wound field regulator

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Generator design validation



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Emissions of Sulphur dioxide: 1970-2006

Nitrogen oxides emissions by source: 1970-2006

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Emissions of Carbon monoxide by source: 1970-2006 United Kingdom Carbon monoxide emissions by source: 1970-2006 million tonnes United Kingdom 14 12 Other Residential Road transnort 10 8 6 2000 1970 1975 1980 1985 1990 1995 2005 Data source: AFA Energy & Environment Non-methane volatile organic compound (VOC) emissions and targets: 1970-2010



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Transport - wide range of technology and applications

Heat - hard to treat in a centralised manner, and hindered by building stock issues

Power - sector is more centralised, but significant challenges remain



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Achieving 2050 target may mean large scale Infrastructure shifts, eq:

⇒Countrywide electrification of heating and transport

⇒Wide-scale heat network coverage, CHP

⇒Hydrogen economy?

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