

Electric Bus

Development and Integration of the Electric Drivetrain

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Electric Bus

- public traffic in small cities
- 7.2 t curb weight
- 8 m length
- based on Iveco Daily
- max. 35 persons
- 250 km/day





AIT Approach

- Modeling
- Entire vehicle simulation
 - electrical
 - mechanical
 - thermal
- Optimization
- Dimensioning
- Design
- Prototyping
- Hardware in the Loop (HIL)
- Integration





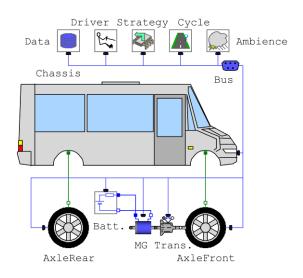
Vehicle Simulation

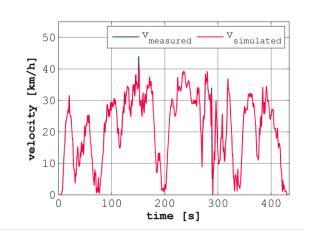
Input:

- parameters from vehicle measurement
- real life cycles
- different types of machines, transmissions, batteries

Output

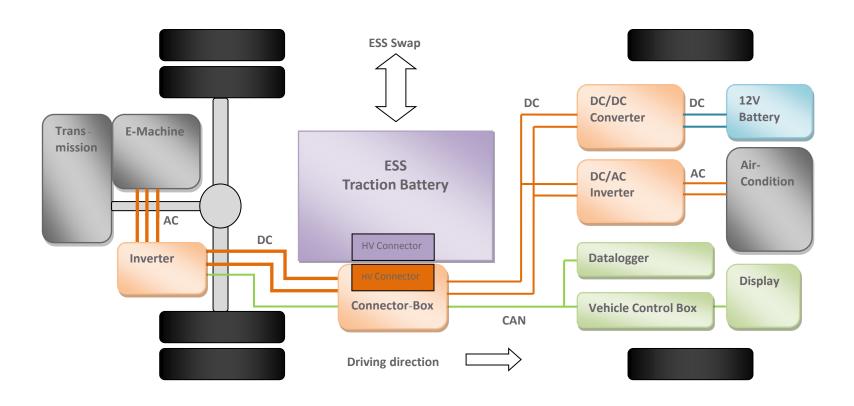
- power requirement vs. performance
- battery size vs. range, weight
- impact of auxiliaries
- operation strategy







System Overview





Technical Data

Speed 1. Gear 50 km/h

Speed 2. Gear 80 km/h

Automatic transmission actuation

Rear wheel drive

Range (one battery) > 65 km

Battery swap time < 1 min

Charge time 90 min

Battery lifetime > 1000 Cycles



Electric Machine

- asynchronous induction machine
- water-cooled
- high torque at small diameter
- 70 kW nom.
- 165 Nm nom.
- 4000 U/min nom.
- 6400 U/min max.
- mass 120 kg







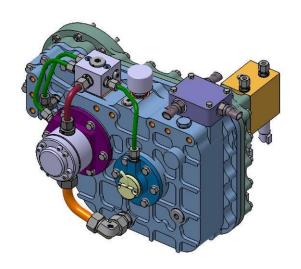
2 Speed Transmission

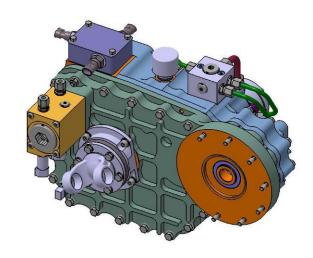
- 2-stage gear reduction
- 2 gears

1st gear reduction: 3.71

2nd gear reduction: 2.35

- shifting time < 1 s</p>
- mass 41 kg
- clutchless shifting
- electro-hydraulic actuation
- electronic synchronization







Powertrain Validation (E-Machine, Transmission, Inverter)

- proof of concept
- different controller parameters
- validation of
 - electrical-
 - mechanical-
 - thermal characteristics
- proof of safety and protection methods







Energy Storage System (ESS)

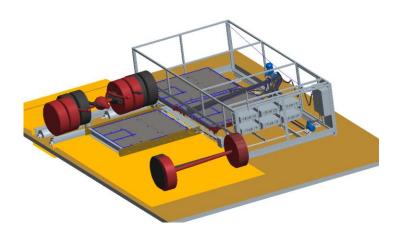
- removable underfloor battery
- crash test simulation
- 700 VDC nominal voltage
- 80 Ah capacity
- 50 kWh capacity
- 16 single modules
- 43.8 VDC nominal voltage
- internal BMS
- mass < 450 kg





Battery Swap System

- fully automatic
- communication with vehicle
- handles two traction batteries
 - one in the vehicle
 - one is charged
- self connecting power connector
- changeover time < 1min



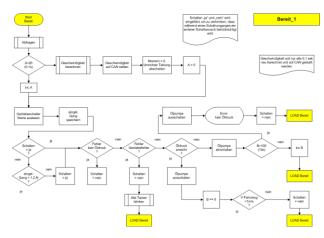




Vehicle Control

- TTControl "TTC 200"
- 32-bit Freescale MPC555 processor
- 40 MHz
- connects electric power train and base vehicle
- CAN communication with
 - inverter
 - battery (ESS)
 - display
- SIL 2 (Safety Integrity Level)

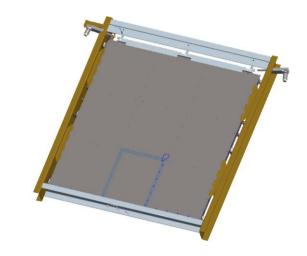






Integration

- Underfloor battery box
 - low floor concept
 - battery height only 15 cm
 - solid frame around battery box
- Motor, gearbox, inverter
 - behind rear axle
 - underfloor
- Air Cond., DC/AC, DC/DC
 - in the front end
 - combustion engine removed







Conclusion and Outlook

- accelerated development process
 - determination of optimum vehicle concept
 - dimensioning of vehicle components by multiphysical simulation
- unique electric bus concept
 - lowfloor
 - 2-gear
 - battery swap system
- start of operation
 - spring 2011
 - Perchtoldsdorf





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