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O 1 Analysis of Charging Infrastructure

The development of a public charging infrastructure network for heavy->> duty vehicles is planned

Public charging infrastructure development

Germany

- Heavy-duty charging infrastructure development plans according to AFIR (along TENT-T core and network)⁰¹
- Focus only on service stations along highways
- Public HDV charging close to stops (mostly city centers) missing



Private charging infrastructure development (selection)

• Joint venture between Daimler Truck, TRATON GROUP, and Volvo Group



- Committed to build and operate **1,700 high-performance public** charging points for heavy-duty vehicles in Europe by 2027
- Start in Germany, the Netherlands, France, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Norway and Sweden



- Cooperation agreement for research on **mega watt** charging
- Besides trucks also focus on coaches, product expected in 2025
- ShellRecharge to build truck charging infrastructure along traffic hubs





02 BEV Operational Costs

With a currently higher vehicle price, the operational costs of BEVs are >> relevant to make BEVS economically attractive

Different alternative drive technologies can be compared by considering the TCO (Total Cost of Ownership), e.g. relative to Diesel. Due to low market availability of BEV coaches, trucks can provide a first reference.



Literature assumes lower maintenance costs for BEV trucks compared to >> ICVs



Summary

- The literature examined assumes *maintenance costs* for BEV trucks to be **35% (± 9%) lower** than for ICVs
- Seven scientific papers were examined in the period 2018 2023. It should be noted that these papers considered heavy-duty long-haul trucks, but in some cases examined different geographical areas (e.g. exclusively EU or China)
- The trend that BEV trucks have lower maintenance costs is probably justified to the fact that battery electric vehicles have significantly fewer individual components compared to conventional technologies, thus saving labor and material costs⁰¹



No differences were found for tire costs when comparing battery electric >> and conventional trucks



Summary

- The literature currently assumes that tire costs will **remain the same** for heavy duty trucks. This is the result of a study of three scientific papers in the period 2018 and 2021
- However, many papers did not consider tires **separately but included them as part of maintenance costs**
- One could assume that tires of BEV vehicles have to meet different requirements due to the higher load of battery-powered vehicles. However, it is argued that the higher weight due to the vehicle components is negligible compared to the total weight of a fully loaded heavy duty truck⁰¹



>> The current study status on insurance costs is indifferent



Summary

- The result for insurance costs is **ambiguous**. There is a slight trend in which the insurance costs for BEV trucks **appear to be more expensive**.
- However, there are also papers that assume **price parity or even lower** insurance costs.
- Possible reasons: Different assumptions on resale price, maintenance costs, reusability of technical components, different global regions examined.
- Practical Recommendation: "(...)it is generally believed that insurance premiums for electric HGVs are linked directly to the cost of vehicle repairs and component replacements. Most existing TCO studies (Basma et al., 2021; Mao et al., 2021; Rout et al., 2022) determine insurance costs by assuming fixed proportions of vehicle purchase prices across technologies."⁰¹

Austria is the only country among the focus countries with influential >> discounts on tolls for ZEV Buses

Country	Tolling scheme	EURO VI	EURO VI ZEV		Difference	
Germany	No road tolls	-	-		-	
Czech Republic	Distance based, dependent on road type	0,031 € /km ⁰¹	0,028 €/km ⁰¹	-10 %	-0,003 €/km	
Slovakia	Distance based, dependent on road type	0,055€	/km ^{01, 02}	0 %	0,000 €/km	
Portugal	Concession contracts: Distance based, but no fixed km charge	0,170 €	0,170 € /km ^{01, 03}		0,000 €/km	
Austria	Distance based for main highways, fixed fee for spe roads (example: passes)	cial 0,346 € /km ⁰¹	0,086 €/km ⁰¹	-75 %	-0,260 €/km	
Sweden	Buses are exempt	-	-	-	-	
France	Concession Scheme , renewal expected 2030 Distance based, but no fixed km charge	0,328 €	/km ^{01, 03}	0 %	0,000 €/km	
Belgium	Buses are exempt ⁴	-	-	-	-	

Calculation example: >14 t bus with 3 axles

O3 Route analyses and strategic ramp up

An analytical categorization that considers various technological and >> timetable-specific parameters support in route prioritization for BEV

Two metrics were developed as part of the prioritization process:

<u>1. Electrification Category</u>

The electrification category is assigned to each *unique line* and gives an indication on how easily a battery electric bus with the defined technical parameters can serve this unique line. There are three categories defined as follows

Category 1: Bus can serve a **roundtrip** (a ride from A to B and B to A) with one charge at A (or B), so charging infrastructure is required at either A or B OR

bus can serve the **single ride** A to B and the pause time at B is long enough to charge the required electricity for the return ride B to A, so charging infrastructure is required at both A and B

Category 2: Bus can serve the single ride A to B, but the pause time at B is not long enough to charge the required electricity for the return ride B to A.

Category 3: Electric battery bus can not serve the single ride from A to B.

2. Line Feasibility Score

Average electrification category of a line, weighted by the number of annual trips per electrification category.

 $\label{eq:line_feasibility_score_L} \textbf{line feasibility score_L} = \frac{\sum_{UL \in L} electrification \ category_{UL} \ * \ number \ of \ rides_{UL}}{\sum_{UL \in L} number \ of \ rides_{UL}}$

with $\mathbf{L}=\mathbf{Line},\mathbf{UL}=\mathbf{Unique}\;\mathbf{Line}$

Definitions of terms used:

Rides refer to single trips between a start and end station of a line (**A to B**).

A *line* summarizes multiple rides between two stations in the annual plan. It usually operates between the same two stations (**A to B and B to A**), but in the case of open jaw routes can also operate between several stations.

The operational parameters (e.g. distance and pause time) of one ride of a line may differ throughout the annual plan. A *unique line* is a specific combination of distance and pause time which can occur in one or multiple rides of the line. **One line number therefore entails** *multiple unique lines*.

>> The Line Feasibility Score is used to prioritize lines and stations

- 1. Find optimal lines: Filter lines by
 - Prio 1: Line feasibility score =1.0 (i.e., all unique lines have electrification category = 1)
- 2. Sort/prioritize stations by number of lines per End Station
- 3. Analyze lines of chosen End station:
 - Analyze if charging is required at the end station only, or also at the start station (bus cannot make return trip on one charge)
 - Check for other 1.0 Feasibility Score Lines to/from Start Station
 - Determine Overlap at End and Start Station if only this line was running
 - Analyze Start Station type and infrastructure
 - Check Start Station Surroundings for possible charging locations
- 4. Test Scenarios:
 - Combine lines that go to chosen End Station
 - Determine yearly rides per year per overlaps at End station
 - Prioritize



In an interactive dashboard tool, the feasibility of lines for BEV – given >> different technology assumptions – can be analysed

Assumed technology										Filter selection
parameters		FLiX	General Metrics		Line Overview		Heat Map	Bus Overlaps per Station		Users can apply various filters, both
Assumptions were made about the									_	schedule-specific
parameters of the feasibility analysis		Custom parameters for feasibility analysis	Assumed range of BEV coach [km]	Assumed 90,00	consumption [kWh/100km] Buffer for batt	ery load [%] (i) V	Charging station performa	nce [kW] Selected lines	~	variables and designed metrics created to quantify
are used for the calculation of proposed metrics		Filter lines by average Feasibility Score ()	2,56 Filter unique lines by pause time ()	0,15	23,92 Filter unique lines by frequency in annual plan	2354	Filter unique lines by distance coverable with one charge ①	N/A Round trip Single leg		prioritization
		Overview of unique lines				Distribution of Electrifica	ation Categories			L
		Line Code Line Name	Distance [km] Pause Time [h]	Time to Load [h]	Electrification Category Number of rides					
		1 Freiburg - Munich	348,00 00:45	02:19	2					
		1 Freiburg - Munich	348,00 00:50	02:19	2					
		1 Freiburg - Munich	348,00 10:30	02:19	1					
		1 Freiburg - Munich	348,00 11:00	02:19	1					
		1 Freiburg - Munich	348,00 11:35	02:19	1				• 1	
	-	1 Freiburg - Munich	348.00 12:05	02:19	1				0 2	Overview of (non-)
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timetable		1 Freiburg - Munich	349,00 12:30	02:20	1					
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information, a		1 Freiburg - Munich	349,00 13:35	02:20	1	2: Line co	an serve the outward journey but can	not be charged in time for the return journey		accumptions
metric for the		1 Freiburg - Munich	349,00 14:00	02:20	1					assumptions
		1 Freiburg - Munich	349.00 15:00	02:20	1	3: Line is	not jeasible for BEV under the given t	ecnnological conditions		
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Bus stations with a high amount of lines that are suitable for BEV can be >> prioritized for the installation of charging infrastructure

Deriving station prioritization from bus frequency & line feasibility • Prioritization of stations based on timetable information and suggested metrics	General Metrics Line C Custom parameters for feasibility analysis Assumed range of BEV coach [km] Assumed consumption [kWh/100 Filter lines by average Feasibility Score ① 1,00 2,56 Filter unique lines by pause time ① 0,15 23,92	Dverview Heat Map Bus Overlaps per Station hkm] Buffer for battery load [%] ① 10,00 Charging station performance [kW] Selected lines 10,00 150 All	 Heat map view Graphic visualization for the identification of hotspots in the global network Graphic elements can be used for further analyses or for filtering
	LineRide StartRide EndNumber of ridesDistance coverableLine Feasibility Score1017Leiria (Bus Station)Lisbon (Oriente)1.001017Leiria (Bus Station)Lisbon (Oriente)1.001017Lisbon (Oriente)Leiria (Bus Station)1.001017Lisbon (Oriente)Leiria (Bus Station)1.001017Lisbon (Oriente)Leiria (Bus Station)1.001014FaroLisbon (Oriente)1.001041FaroLisbon (Oriente)1.001231Tallinn, Bus StationRiga Bus Station1.001231Tallinn, Bus StationRiga International Airport1.001300APrazue (Central BusWroc?aw. Dworzec1.00	Heat Map according to the number of rides	
	Show by Ride End Ride Start Number of rides Number of serving lines Paris (Bercy Seine) Brussels-North train station Prague (Central Bus Station Florenc) Lizbon (Oriente) Amsterdam Sloterdijk Berlin central bus station Zagreb (bus station) Zagreb (bus station) Brussels South (Gare du Midi) Munich central bus station	Lines starting from chosen station	

Drill-down functions enable further insights to core metrics of single >> lines



An overlap analysis is used to determine the need for infrastructure at >> start and end stations



Deep Dive: Three European metropolitan areas and their exemplary routes >> according to the proposed approach model¹

Berlin Central Station

Single Trip: Berlin – Dresden Distance: 199 – 200 km Pause Time: 2:10 – 8:25 H



Round Trip: Berlin – Leipzig Distance: 180 km Pause Time: 1:05 – 23:20 H



Paris Bercy Seine

Single Trip: Paris – Brussels Distance: 311 – 318 km Pause Time: 2:15 – 14:15 H



Round Trip: Paris – Reims Distance: 145 km Pause Time: 0:55 – 12:40 H



Prague Central Station

Single Trip: Prague – Brno Distance: 209 – 244 km Pause Time: 1:40 – 18:35 H



Round Trip: Prague – Karlovy Vary Distance: 129 – 179 km Pause Time: 0:30 – 19:30 H



¹ Analysis was conducted for the following setup: Assumed range = 400km; assumed consumption = 90 kWh/100km; buffer for battery load = 10%; charging station performance = 150 kW



Financing and leasing models for xEV buses

The analysis of financing options is split into two main components

The introduction of alternative drive technologies leads to new opportunities and risks for companies in the transportation industry. These include financial uncertainties. In particular, these are due to

- 1. small number of OEMs / low market availability
- 2. high initial purchase prices and consequently leasing costs
- 3. lack of experience in estimating residual vehicle values and thus very conservative assessments.

These risks can be countered by looking at other industry examples in order to design new financing models and develop approaches for determining residual vehicle values.

Industry Examples

Consideration of case studies from an OEM perspective and the logistics industry

Residual Value Analysis

Industry examples for residual value assessment and mitigation strategies / risk sharing





OEMs are designing holistic models for the roll-out of BEV and FCEV >> trucks as part of various projects

Hyundai

Pay-per-use

Hyundai conducts a project in Switzerland to establish a fleet of 1,600 XCIENT Fuel Cell H2 trucks by 2025 together with **H2 Energy AG** trough a **JV** (Hyundai Hydrogen Mobility) and a **payper-use-model**.¹

Model

Opps

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Risks

- Global expansion plans⁹
- Hydrogen production and infrastructure are included
- Fluctuating energy prices and the availability of green hydrogen are potential risks²

IVECO

Partnership

Rental platform

IVECO, started a partnership with **Nikola**, manufacturer of fuelcells, through a joint venture. Nikola is collaborating with **E.ON** to offer a holistic solution for hydrogen fuel supply.⁴

- IVECO plans to establish the rental platform GATE to facilitate easier access to their trucks⁵
- Collaboration of three wellknown players
- The partnership experienced delays, indicating challenges in collaboration⁶

Shell

Pay-per-use Partnership

Shell has introduced a full service pay-per-use model for hydrogen trucks in cooperation with "Paul Nutzfahrzeuge", where customers pay a monthly rate based on the distance traveled.⁷

Voltra Trucks

TaaS

Volta Trucks adopted a fullservice-TaaS model, offering customers electric trucks and extras (charging infrastructure, infrastructure etc.) for a fixed monthly fee.

- Holistic approach to address cost and risk concerns of customers⁸
- Distribution of hydrogen still unclear

• Holistic solution

- Minimal risks due to 3months-payment-system
- **High dependency** on external battery supplier
- Only for short-haul-trucks (<200km) available

¹ hyundai.news, ² cargo-jounral.org, ³ electrive.com, ⁴ ecomento.de, ⁵ ivecogroup.org, ⁶ seekingalpha.com ⁷ shell.de, ⁸ electrive.net, ⁹ reuters.com

Electric and hydrogen powered trucks are already part of major logistics >> companies' fleet transformation

DACHSER

Pay-per-use

DACHSER aims to transfer its fleet with 50 BEV trucks and tests hydrogen powered TaaS in parallel (H2 Green Power). ^{01, 02} Additionally, it invests in its own charging infrastructure where electricity is produced by its own photovoltaic systems. ⁰¹

• Low invest.-costs through VaaS

• Multiple OEMs possible

Model

Opps

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Risks

- Only one hydrogen station to refuel bus
- High investment-costs for BEV trucks incl. infrastructure

UPS

Partnership OEM

UPS acquired a minority stake in Arrival and committed to purchasing 10,000 custom-built electric delivery vehicles, fostering a partnership for developing advanced, sustainable vehicle technologies.⁰³

- Direct influence on truck configuration
- New market
- Only 1 OEM and high financial investment costs

DHL

Pilot projects

Public funding

DHL has initiated a **pilot project with a hydrogen-powered heavyduty vehicle** and is concurrently investing in the electrification of its fleet to develop and test sustainable and low-emission transportation solutions in logistics with a scientific partnership (i.e. HyCET).⁰⁴

13 new battery electric trucks (Volvo FL Electric 4x2) incl. required infrastructure were funded by the Ministry of Digital and Transport with in total 2.3 million (KsNI)⁰⁵

- Less risks via pilot projects
- Research project could enable further insights to hydrogen
 infrastructure
- Fuel procurement to be clarified
- High investment costs assumed if both, fuel infrastructure and vehicle, are financed by DHL

Residual value assessment | There are four instruments to estimating >> residual value curves frequently applied in industry

	Modeling from	Expert estimation	Top-Down Approach: Conservative estimates	Bottom-Up Approach
Description	Analysis of sales data and price trends of vehicle.	Assessment by professionals with specific knowledge about electric vehicles.	Use of depreciation curves from similar vehicles with different technology as a reference.	Valuation based on the analysis of individual components of the vehicle.
Example	Evaluation of price development for electric buses over the past years, based on actual sales data.	A vehicle appraiser ⁰¹ evaluates the residual value based on condition, technology, market acceptance, and comparison with similar vehicles.	Adapting depreciation curves of diesel buses to make estimates for BEV buses, considering differences in e.g., operational and maintenance costs.	Separate valuation of the chassis and battery of the electric bus, considering their respective lifespans and amortization rates.
Challenges & Limitations	 Limited historical data due to the relative newness of electric buses Rapid technological advancements can quickly render historical data outdated 	 Subjective Perception: The inherent subjectivity in expert assessments can lead to inconsistent and biased valuations due to individual differences in experience Consulting several experts can be costly 	 Electric trucks may significantly differ in key aspects like technology and maintenance from diesel trucks, limiting the accuracy of this method Difficulty in quantifying a suitable conservatism margin 	 Complexity in valuing individual components Challenges in assessing the interaction and combined value of parts Rapid technological progress can complicate the valuation of components like batteries



Separating the vehicle into main components enables a detailed view, >> however weighting the parts to derive a total value is complex

Chassis Value

Assumptions:

- The chassis value of a BEV bus is proportional to the value depreciation of a diesel bus
- The depreciation curve of a diesel bus can be taken from historic data, e.g. the official Afa data⁰¹
- The market value corresponds to the book value (i.e. conservative approach)
- According to Afa, the depreciation period of a passenger bus is nine years, i.e. it has no residual book value after nine years⁰¹
- Depreciation is calculated using the linear method⁰²

* w_1, w_2 = Weighting of the components, V_0 = Initial value of chassis; d = Depreciation rate; C_0 = Initial capacity of battery; α = Degradation factor; n = Number of charging cycles per year

$$RV(t) = w_1 * Value_{Chassis} + w_2 * Value_{Battery}$$
$$= w_1(V_0 - d * t) + w_2(C_0 * e^{-\alpha n * t})$$

At present, the energy storage costs of an electric truck account for up to 60% of the total production costs, although it is assumed that this proportion will decrease over time. ^{03, 04} This model assumes an average of 50%.



More advanced models can differentiate between further components, e.g. electric engines

Battery Value

Assumptions:

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- Battery value is proportional to remaining lifetime of battery
- A battery undergoes degradation • through the charging cycle and loses residual life/value
- A battery is considered unusable if • the capacity drops **below X%** of the initial capacity⁰⁵
- Max. lifetime of battery is XXX km and a bus drives an average of YYY km per year⁰⁶
- A bus has an average range of X km and is in operation Y days/year (2 charging cycles/day)
 - The battery capacity can be estimated with a linear or exponential function within a degeneration model⁰⁷



Economic and ecological impact of fleet transformation

An optimization model supports the strategic planning for the optimal >> fleet transformation to low- and zero emission buses

Motivation

Status Quo

 A fleet transformation plan that is economically efficient and aligned with the emission target(s) needs to be developed

Proposed solution

- Development of an optimization model to support steering and determine the optimal fleet transformation under given constraints
- Results visualization that enables advanced analyses, e.g.
 - Derive decisions for / against the use of certain technologies
 - Conduct scenario analyses with different assumptions on TCO / emissions to assess risk



>> Optimization model | Overview target function and constraints

Optimization problem (MILP) Minimize:

Target function

 $Z = \sum_{c} \sum_{d} \sum_{d} \sum_{t} \{N_{c,d,t} * k_c * 1 CO_{c,d,t}\}$

(Total fleet TCO¹ over transformation period in selected countries C)

Decision variables: $N_{c,d,t}$ number of buses per year t, country c and technology d

where:

 $c \text{ country, } c \in C = \{DE, IT, FR, ...\}$ $d \text{ drivetrain technology, } d \in D = \{FCEV, BEV, ...\}$ t year, t $\in T = \{0, ..., y\}$ where t = 0 corresponds to the starting year N number of buses k_c kilometers per bus per year per country

 $TCO_{c,d,t}$ total cost of ownership in [ℓ /km] per country, tech and year

	Bus fleet development	Emission targets	Costs assumptions	
	Total number of buses per year and country Determined total number of buses per year and country (derived from LTP bus km forecast and assumed annual kilometers per bus per country)	Climate targets Maximum average fleet emission intensity (in gCO ₂ eq / pkm) per year	Maximum TCO increase in comparison to the diesel TCO Per country, maximum increase of average fleet TCO in country compared to Diesel TCO in specific country	Limited year-on-year average TCO increase Percentage increase in total fleet TCO costs year-on-year
Constraints		Technology assumptions		
	Bus lifetime / retiring Bus retirement given assumed lifetime per technology and country	Technology availability Year from which on the technology is available in a country	Maximum share of drivetrain technology Maximum fleet share that can be served by a certain technology, e.g. to depict limited charging infrastructure	Limited ramp-up for new technologies <i>Limited number of bus purchases in the</i> <i>years after the introduction of a new</i> <i>technology</i>

Technical implementation using PuLP

and the open-source solver CBC (COIN-





Fleet Transformation Overview

Provides an overview of the most important key figures resulting from the optimization, i.e. fleet, TCO¹ and emission development over the course of the optimization frame



Country Overview

- Summary of results and assumptions for both TCO¹ and emission
- Enables overall fleet and country specific figures

Detailed Country Report

 In-depth analysis on country level including all assumptions and results for the selected country



Assumptions Overview

High-level summary of the optimization model and list of given constraints



The Fleet Transformation Overview provides insights into the most >> important optimization results



¹ TCO calculation includes vehicle costs, fuel costs and service costs (tires, motor vehicle tax, insurance, maintenance, interest) only.



A summary of both emissions and TCO¹ figures at overall fleet or country >> level is provided by the Country Overview



¹ TCO calculation includes vehicle costs, fuel costs and service costs (tires, motor vehicle tax, insurance, maintenance, interest) only.



The Detailed Country Report provides more in-depth insights into the >> underlying assumptions and results for one selected country



¹ TCO calculation includes vehicle costs, fuel costs and service costs (tires, motor vehicle tax, insurance, maintenance, interest) only.



A high-level summary of the underlying optimization model and >> constraints can be found in the Assumptions Overview



>> Next steps in Flix's fleet transformation



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