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Session 3: In Motion Charging, Batteries and Energy Management

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TRAINING AGENDA

- Battery chemistry
- Basics on electrics (Power vs Energy, charging and charging time)
- Basics of electrical bus
- Difference between In Motion Charging buses and battery buses
- Double insulation requirement
- Current collector (how to connect2charge)
- Charging e-buses using the In Motion Charging infrastructure

DEFINITIONS

Trolley bus:

electric bus that draws power from dual overhead wires using spring-loaded trolley poles (Wikipedia)

IMC:

In Motion Charging

IMC buses charge traction batteries “en route” enabling off-wire operation for long distances.

Additional charging options: depot (e.g. using standard CCS connector)



A well-designed IMC system allows to simplify infrastructure (reduce overhead by 70%). Outskirts and additional routes can be served without wire.

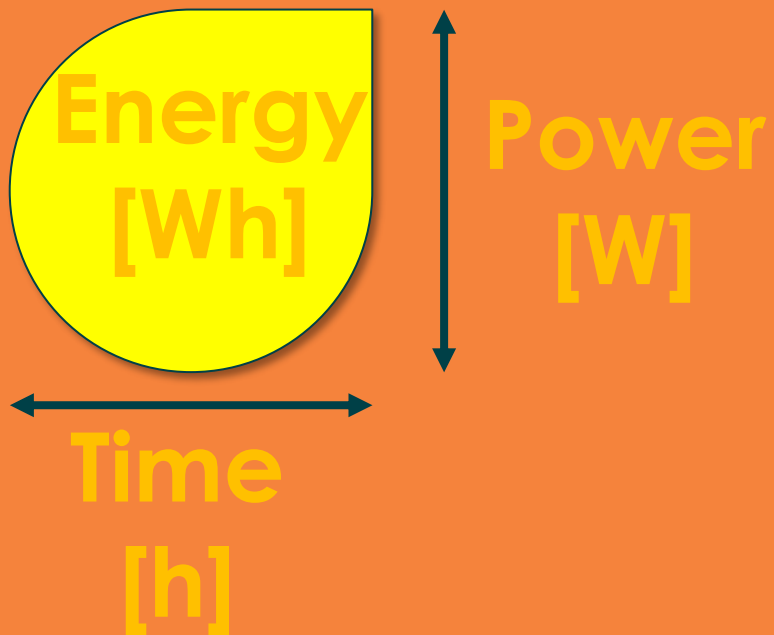




The Physics

Energy = Power x Time

What is the difference between kW and kWh?



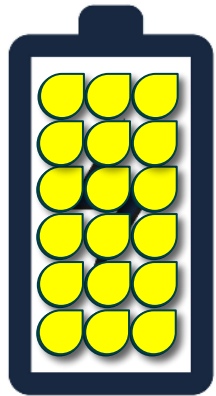
➤ HOW DOES THE ENERGY GET TO THE BUS?

Battery discharge during the day

0h

9h

18h

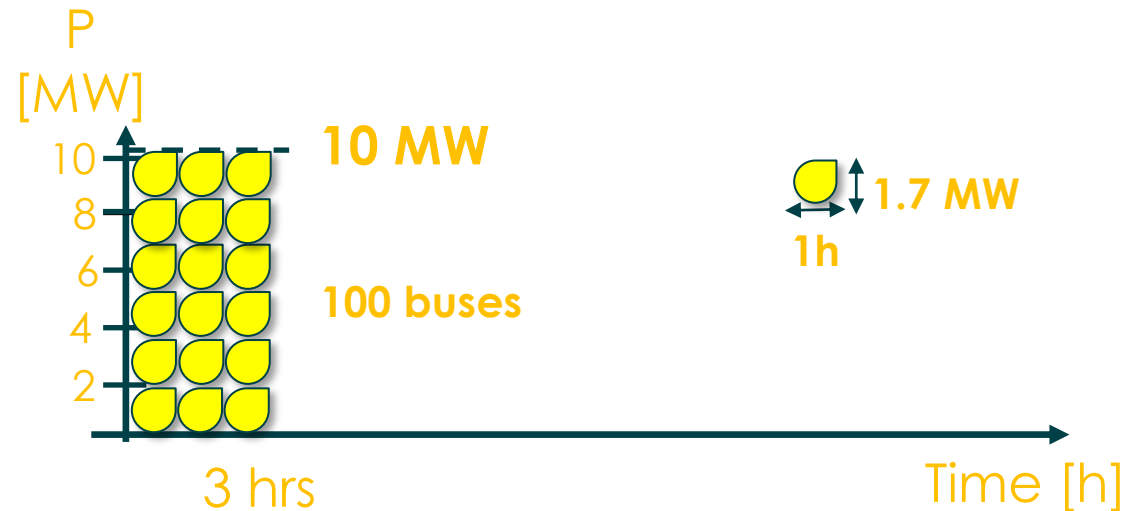


e.g. 300 kWh per bus per day (18 h of service)

➤ HOW DOES THE ENERGY GET TO THE BUS?

Depot charging (overnight)

30,000 kWh consumed
Time to recharge: 3 hrs



$$30,000 \text{ kWh} / 3 \text{ h} = 10 \text{ MW}$$

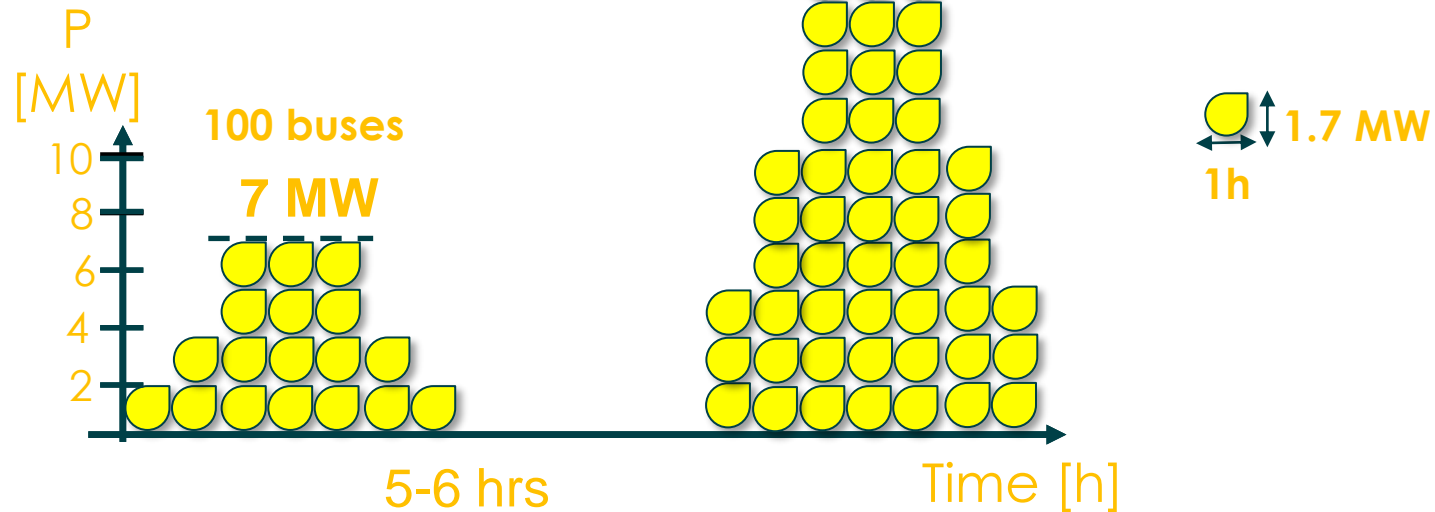
or 100 kW per bus

time for charging = bottleneck → large amount of power required

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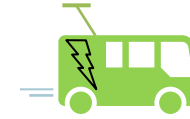
Optimized depot charging (overnight)

30,000 kWh consumed
Time to recharge: 5 hrs



Optimized charging pattern → power required reduced
But what if we need to charge 300 buses...

➤ INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS



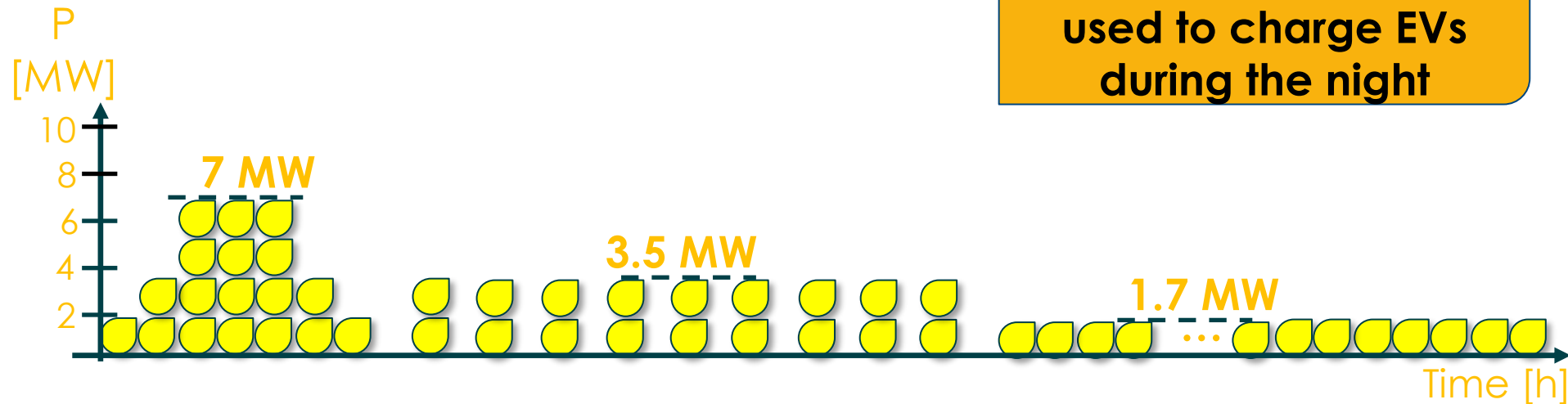
Depot charging, opportunity charging and IMC

Overnight:
19% utilization

Opportunity:
37% utilization

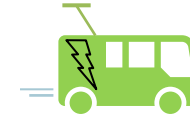
IMC: **75%** utilization

Remaining 25% can be
used to charge EVs
during the night



IMC infrastructure requires lowest installed power
and has highest utilization → lowest substation cost

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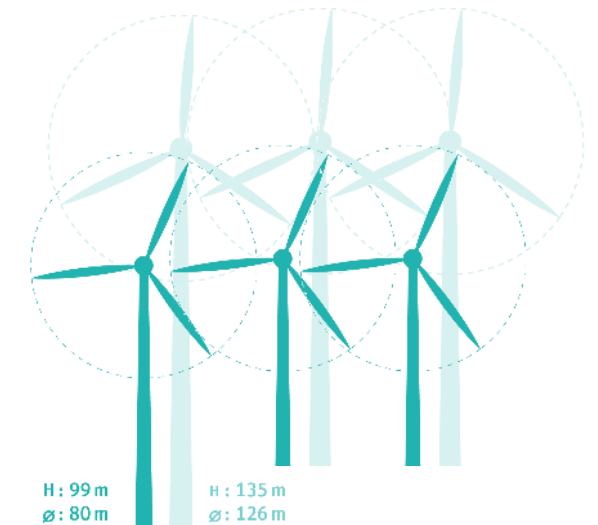
Depot charging for 100 buses

Overnight charging at 100kW: $100\text{kW} \times 100 \text{ buses} = 10\text{MW}$
Energy for 3 hours of charging: 300kWh per bus or 30MWh total

Typical IMC bus substation: $750\text{V} \times 1000\text{A} = 0.75\text{MW}$



10 MW used for 3h deliver 30 MWh
10 MW used for 18h deliver 180 MWh



➔ Depot for 100 battery buses needs installed power of 13 substations!
 $10\text{MW} / 0.75\text{MW} = 13$ substations (175 small / 4-5 large wind turbines)
And same installed power yields about 6x more electric miles!

➤ DIFFERENCE IMC / BATTERY BUS

IMC

- Traction batteries charged en route
- Battery capacity optimized (energy, weight, cost) for the local requirements of the operator
- A powerful battery allows the same driving performance as a trolley bus

Bus needs to operate to create revenue

Carry passengers not batteries

Time is money = money is time

No need for additional buses and operators

Battery Bus

- Traction batteries are charged in the depot during the night
- Challenging requirements for charging infrastructure
- High charging power during the night

OR

- Batteries are charged at stops (opportunity charging)
- Minimum charging times required to get to the SOC needed to operate the next route
- Delays in the schedule are hard to compensate
- Wait times may require additional buses and operators

➤ DIFFERENCE IMC / BATTERY BUS DEPOT

IMC

- Parked bumper to bumper, mirror to mirror
- Smallest possible parking/depot area

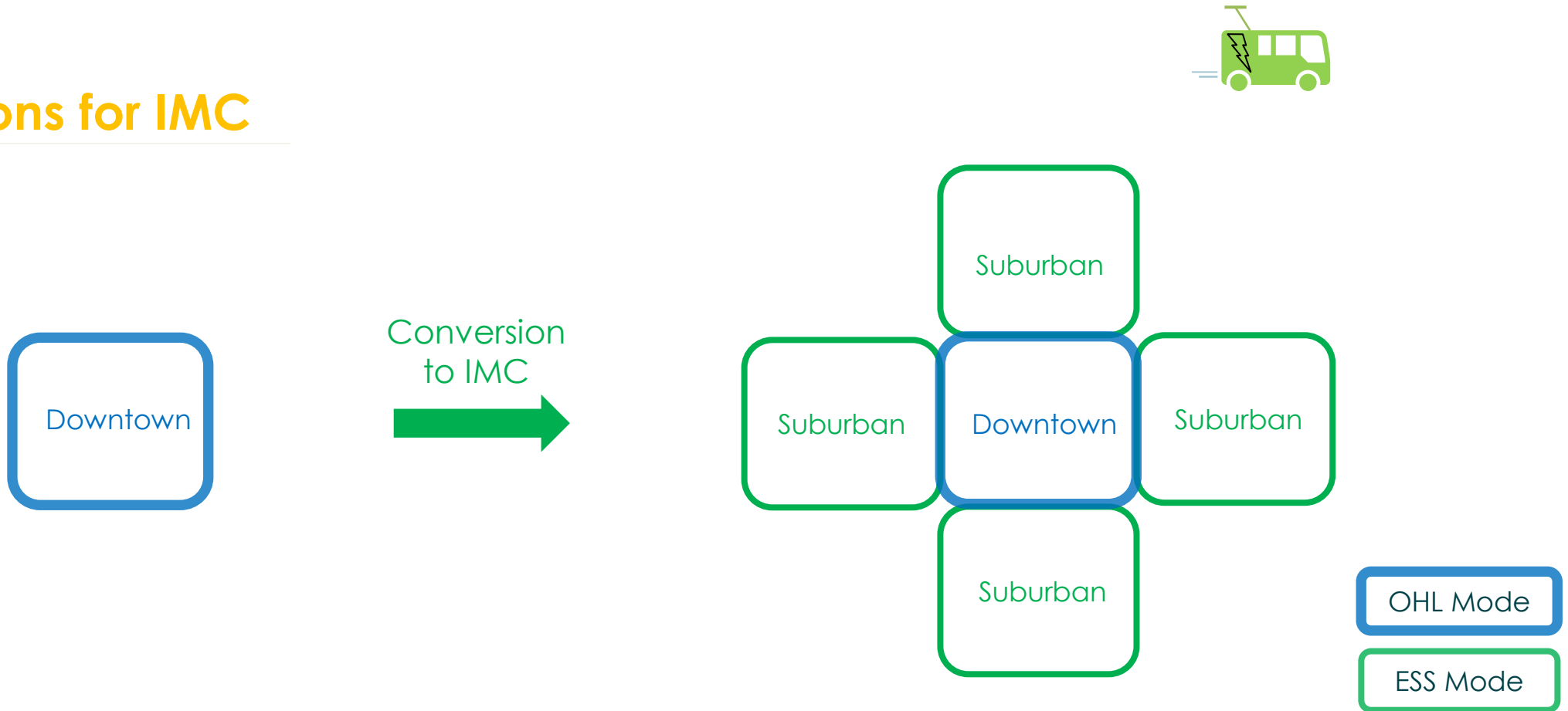


Battery Bus

- Space needed for charging infrastructure, fire safety...

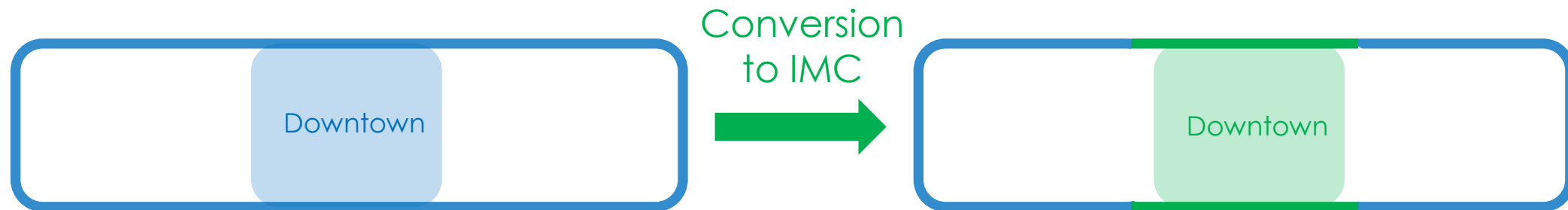
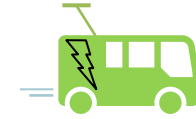


Applications for IMC



- Extension of the existing over headline (OHL) routes using battery mode
- Decarbonization by switching from Diesel to IMC

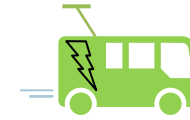
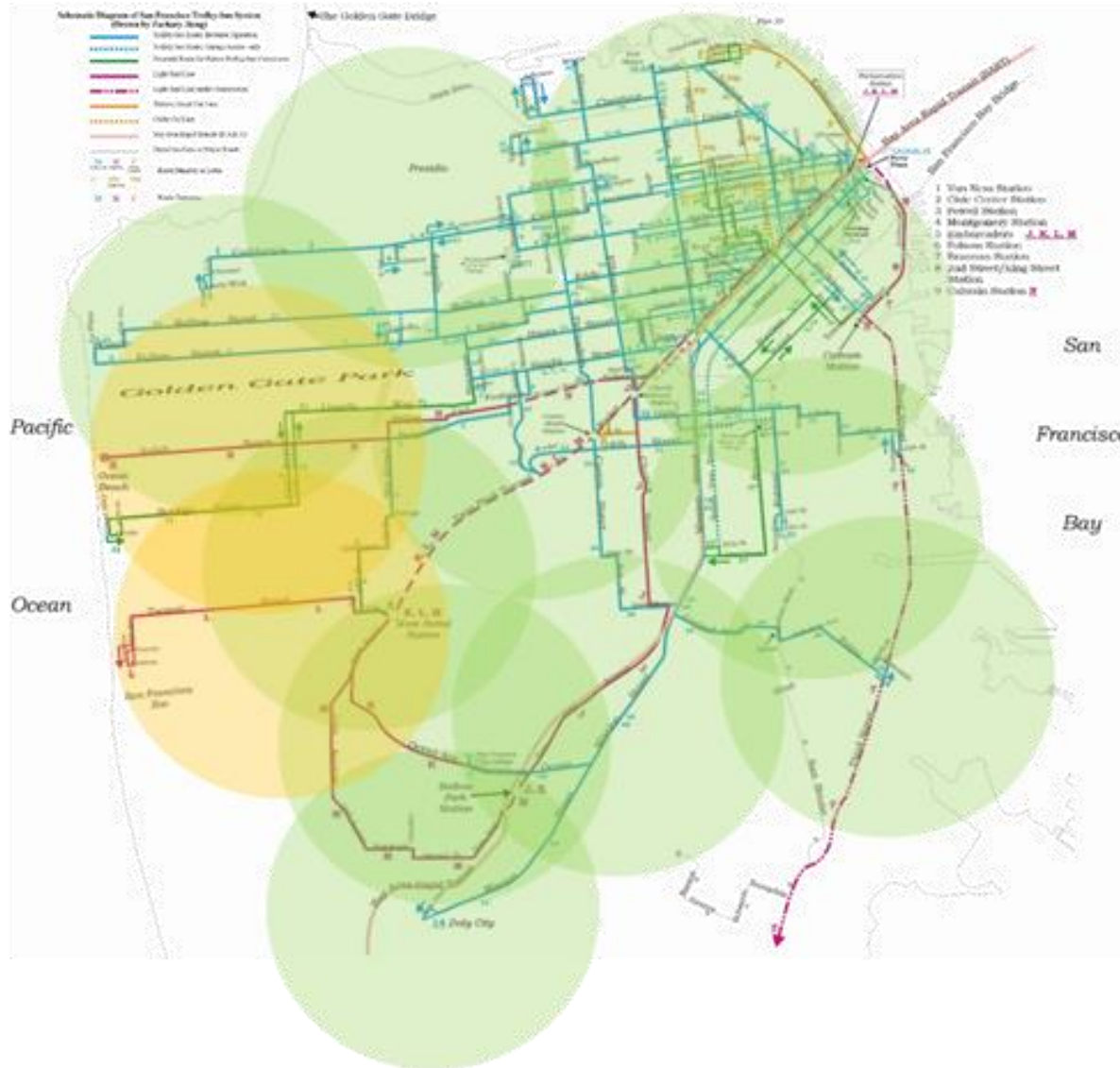
Applications for IMC



- “De-cluttering” of downtown areas, especially of historic old town areas
- Less “spider webs” at intersections

OHL Mode

ESS Mode



Extend trolley routes by 2x 1.5 miles using IMC



Extend trolley routes by 2x 1.5 miles using streetcar terminus

Kiepe.





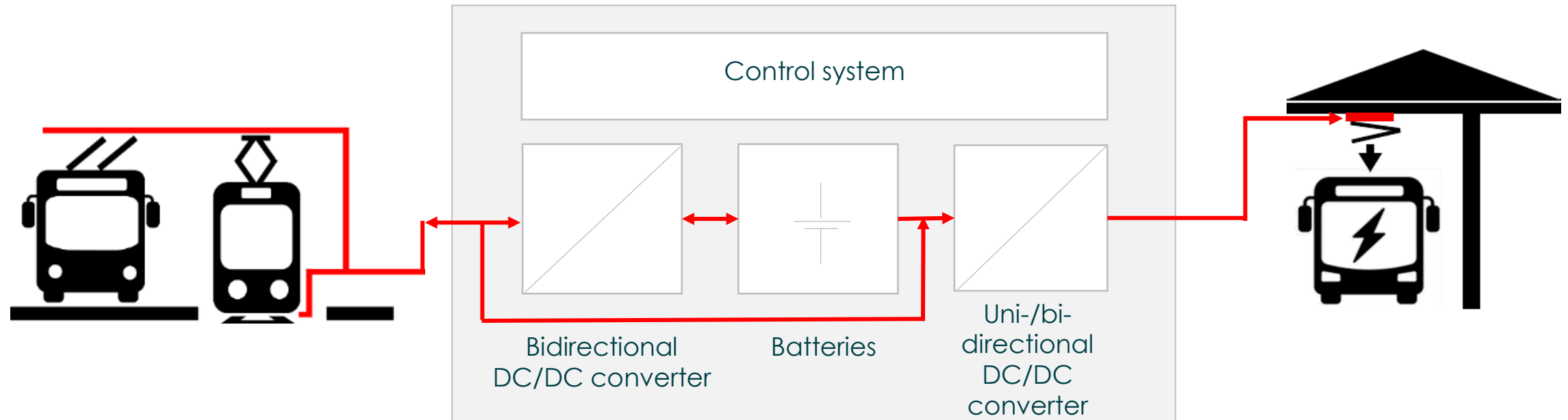
Use of existing Infrastructure

IMC alternatives?





➤ CHARGING SOLUTIONS



IMC / streetcar overhead line

- Regeneration of energy
- Stabilization of power

Converter connected directly to overhead line

- Storage of regenerated energy
- Peak shaving and load balancing
- Controller for charging

Battery bus charging station



Use of existing overhead line infrastructure

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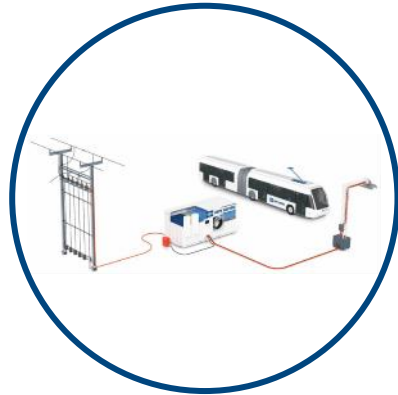
➤ PRODUCT EXAMPLES



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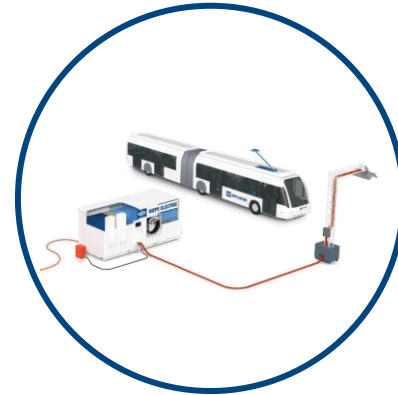
City K-Charger

Charging with pantograph
100 – 800 kW



Mainline K-Charger

Charging stations
with 100 - 800 kW



Mobile K-Charger

Mobile Charging
Station 100 - 800 kW



Megawatt K-Charger

Charging of e-trucks
1000 - 3000 kW



EV K-Charger

Power Supply for EV-Wallboxes
100 – 800 kW



Depot K-Charger

Charging of battery bus
e.g. 2 x 100 kW



Standard K-Charger

Charging with 100 - 200 kW



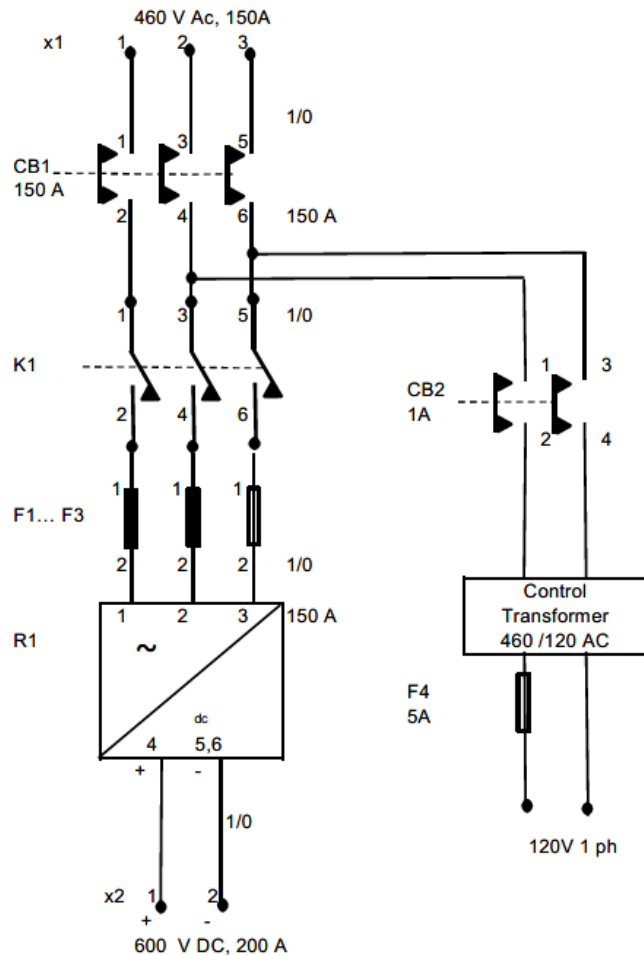
Trolley Bus K-Charger

Charging Station for IMC bus
100 - 300 kW

Overhead Line
3x480VAC, 60 Hz



➤ IMC BUS INFRASTRUCTURE

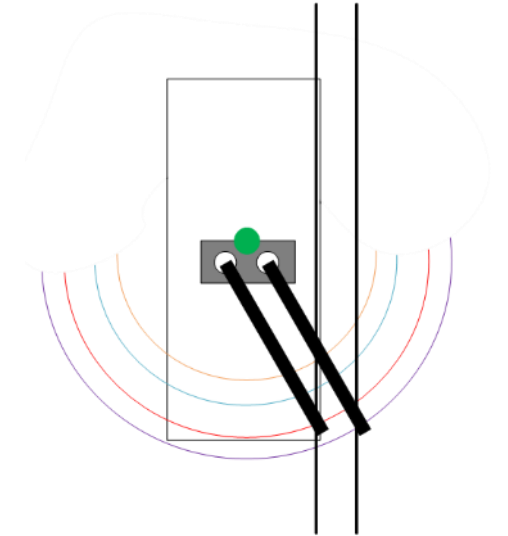


- Simple 600/750V DC voltage source
- Only passive rectifier and switchgear required
- No communication with external charging station interoperability!

➤ CONNECT TO CHARGE

Ways to connect to the charging infrastructure

- Traditional
 - Manual re-wiring, requires the operator to leave the bus
- Automatic using troughs
 - At dedicated spots, requires precise alignment of the bus
- Fully automatic
 - Either at dedicated stops
 - With or without troughs
 - With or without possibility to move laterally





RELEVANT STANDARDS

IEC 63076:2019 (based on EN50502 / with reference to various other IEC standards)
Railway applications - Rolling stock - Electrical equipment in trolley buses
Safety requirements and current collection systems

ECE R-107

Uniform provisions concerning the approval of category M2 or M3 vehicles with regards to their general construction

Annex 12 (additional safety requirements for trolley buses)

3.10.12. Each of the insulations of voltage Class B equipment onboard the trolleybus shall be tested with an AC power supply at test frequency of 50 - 60 Hz for 1 minute.

The test voltage (U_{Test}) for wiring and components at the trolleybus shall be:

Basic insulation: $U_{Test} = 2 \times U_{Nm} + 1,500 \text{ V}$

Supplementary Insulation: $U_{Test} = 1.6 \times U_{Nm} + 500 \text{ V}$

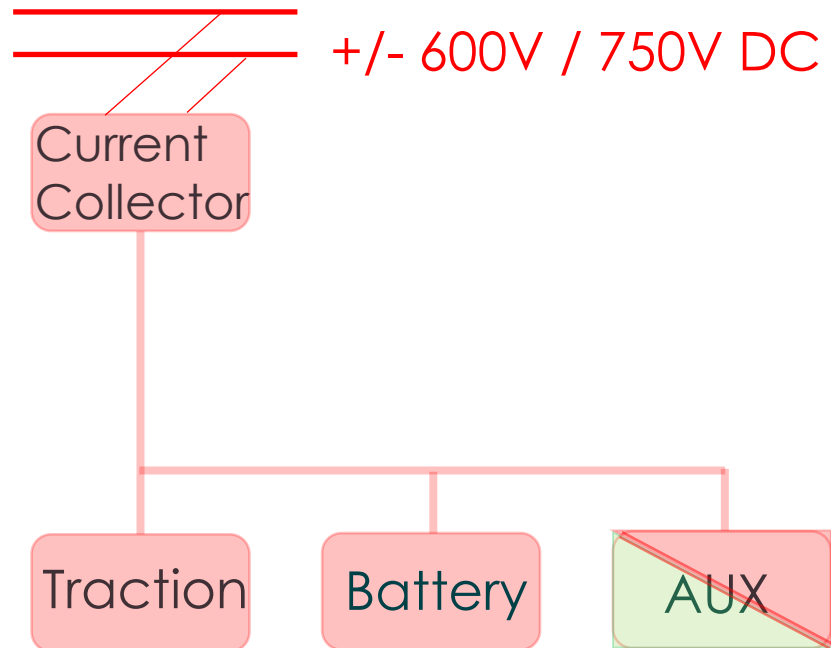
For circuits double insulated from overhead line voltage, the test voltage (U_{Test}) shall be at least 1,500 V, or:

Basic Insulation: $U_{Test} = 2 \times U_{Nm} + 1,000 \text{ V}$

The equivalent DC test voltage is $\sqrt{2}$ times the AC value.

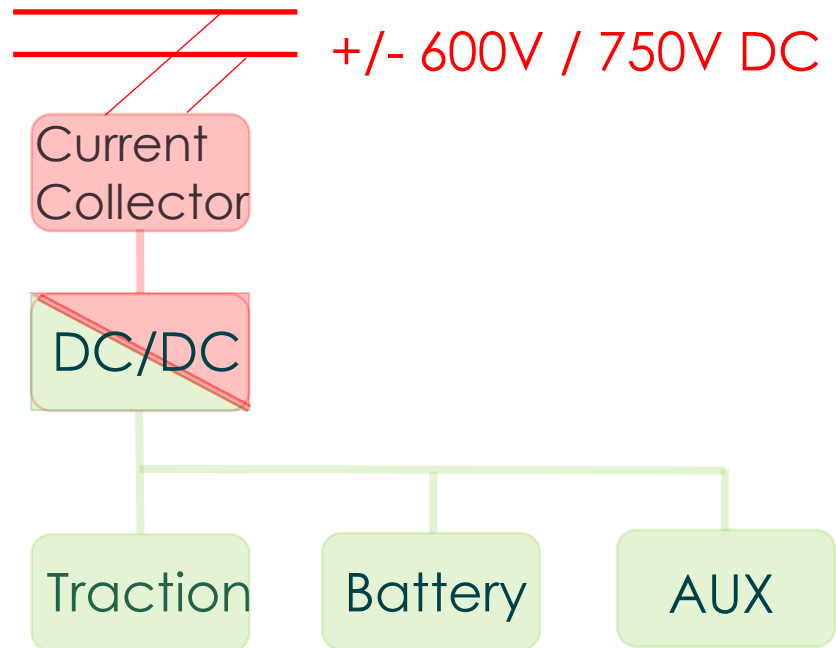


➤ IMC BUS ARCHITECTURE



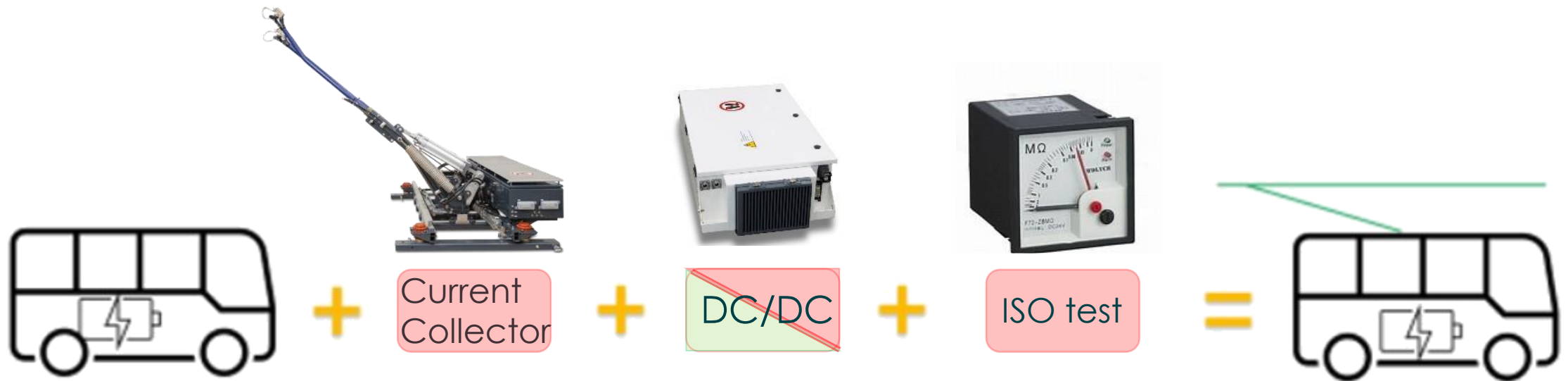
- Double insulated traction
- Traction equipment directly connected to overhead line
- No conversion losses
- Regenerative braking into overhead line and onboard (battery and aux.)

➤ IMC BUS ARCHITECTURE



- Galvanic insulation from overhead line using DC/DC converter
- Components downstream of DC/DC can be standard battery bus single insulated design if standard is met
- Current collector and DC/DC require double insulation
- Insulation monitoring (hot coach detector)
- Insulation of doors!
- Regeneration into battery

➤ BATTERY BUS CHARGING



- DC/DC converter = trolley line interface and on-board battery charger

FLEXIBILITY AND INTERMODALITY OF THE TROLLEY BUS GRID

IN THE TROLLEY BUS SYSTEM IT IS POSSIBLE TO INSTALL:

- A photovoltaic power plant feeding solar power directly into the trolleybus grid
- Energy supercapacitors
- Charging points for other EV vehicles





**PV power plant on the roof of the parking places
in Gdynia, Poland trolley bus operator depot**

5 000 M2, 499 kWp

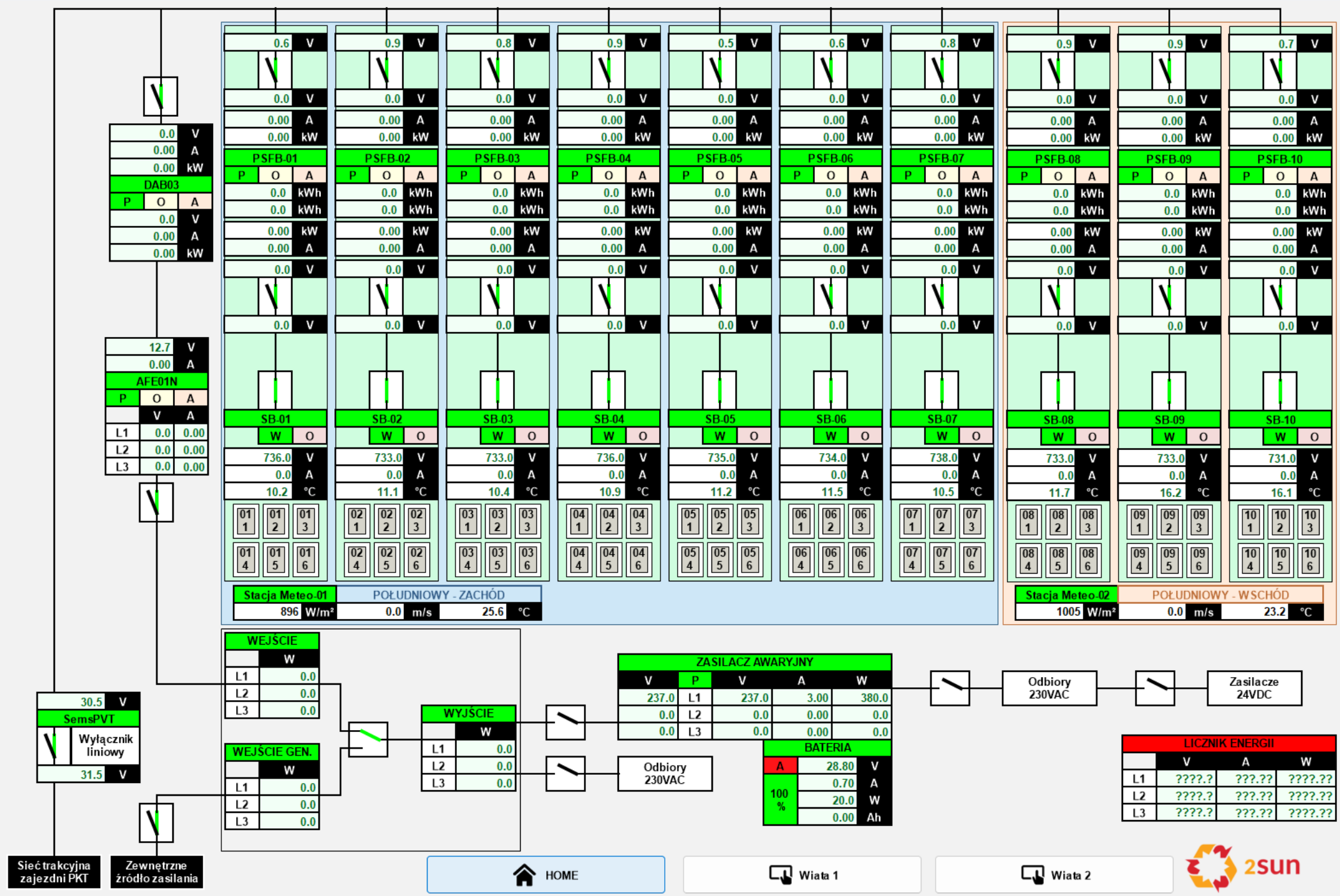
5% of the total trolley bus grid energy demand

**Without connection to the energy provider power
grid - power generated from a PV plant fed
directly to the overhead wired infrastructure**

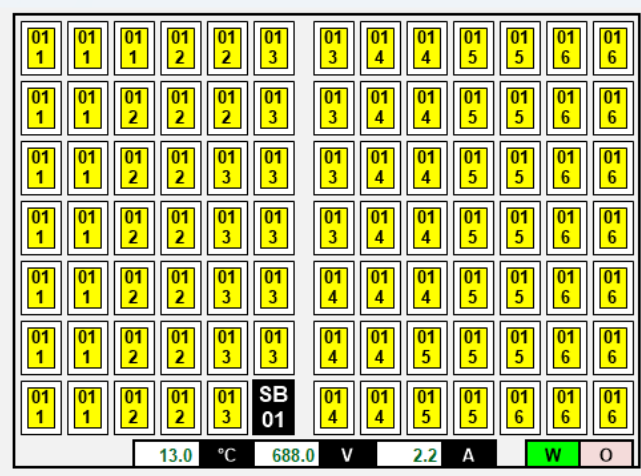




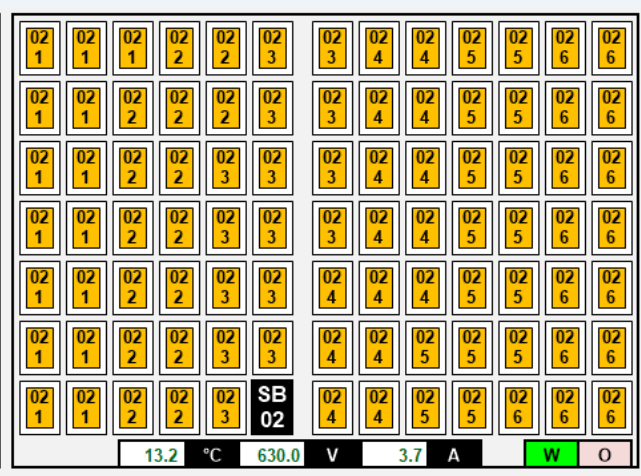
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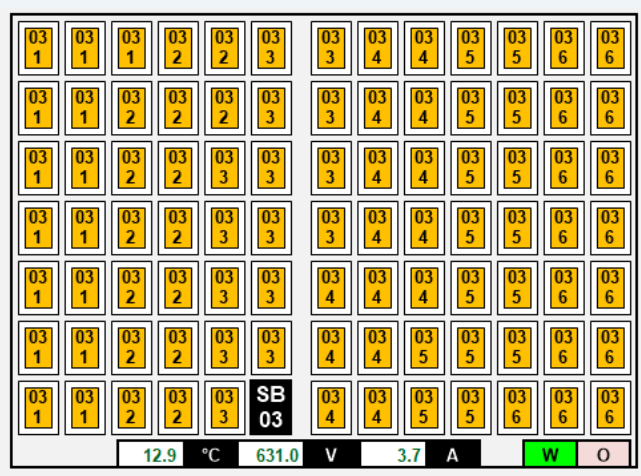
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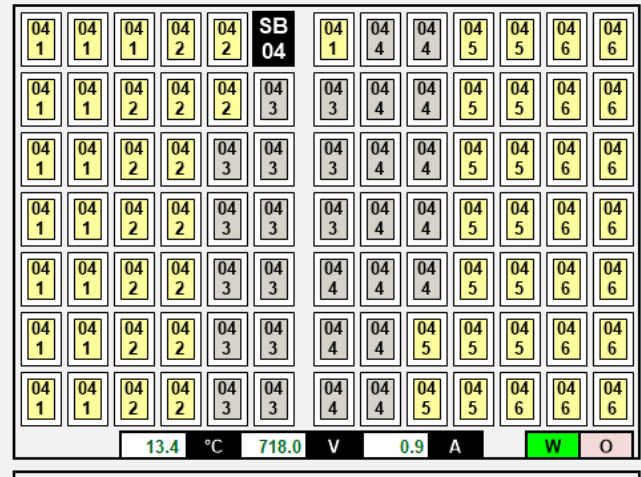
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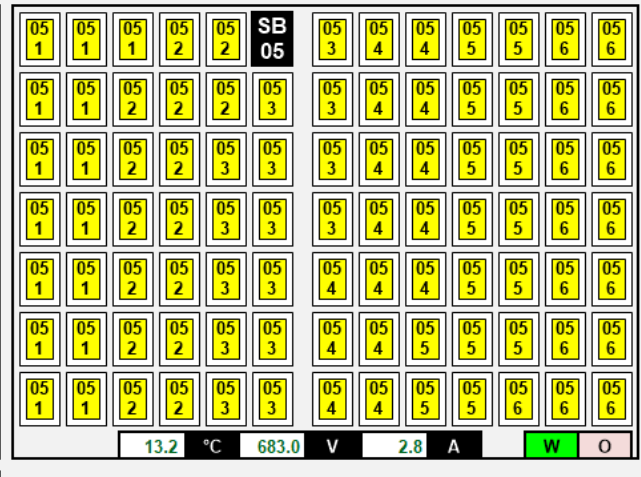
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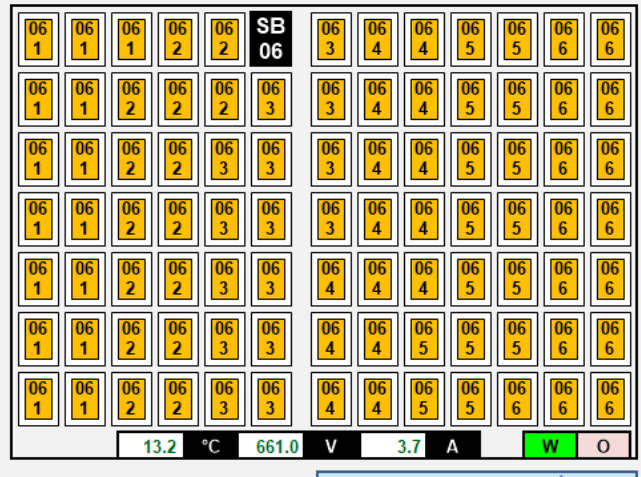
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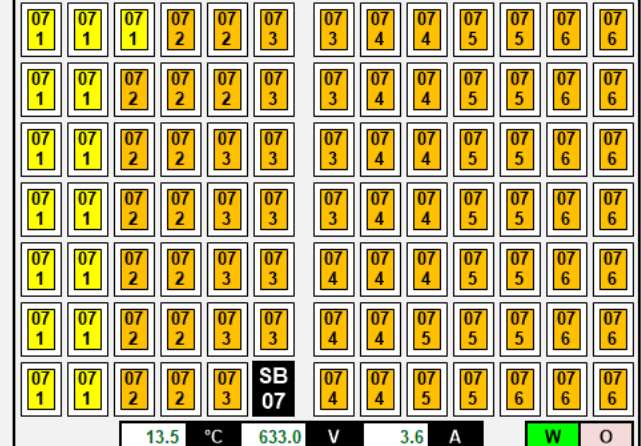
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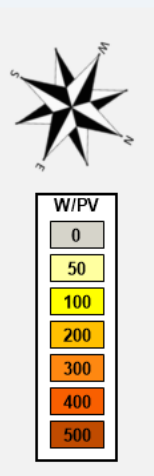


13.5 °C 633.0 V 3.6 A W O

Stacja Meteo-01

- 340 W/m²
- 0.6 m/s
- 18.3 °C
- 19.6 °C

PSFB-01			PSFB-02			PSFB-03			PSFB-04			PSFB-05			PSFB-06			PSFB-07		
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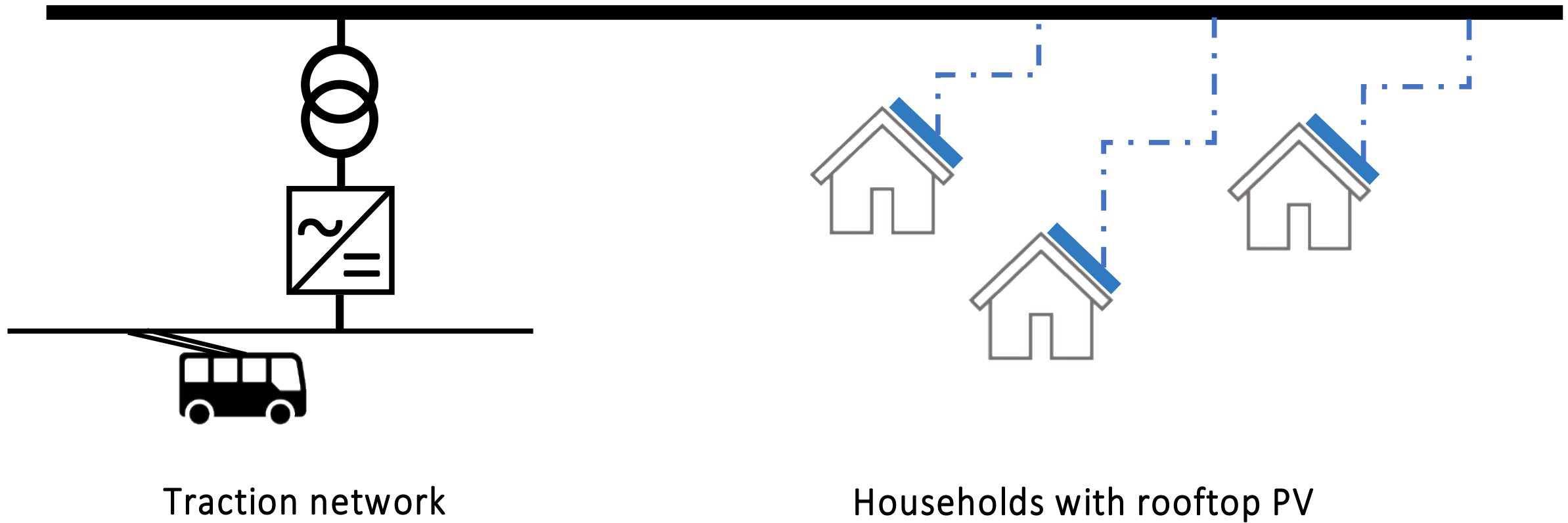
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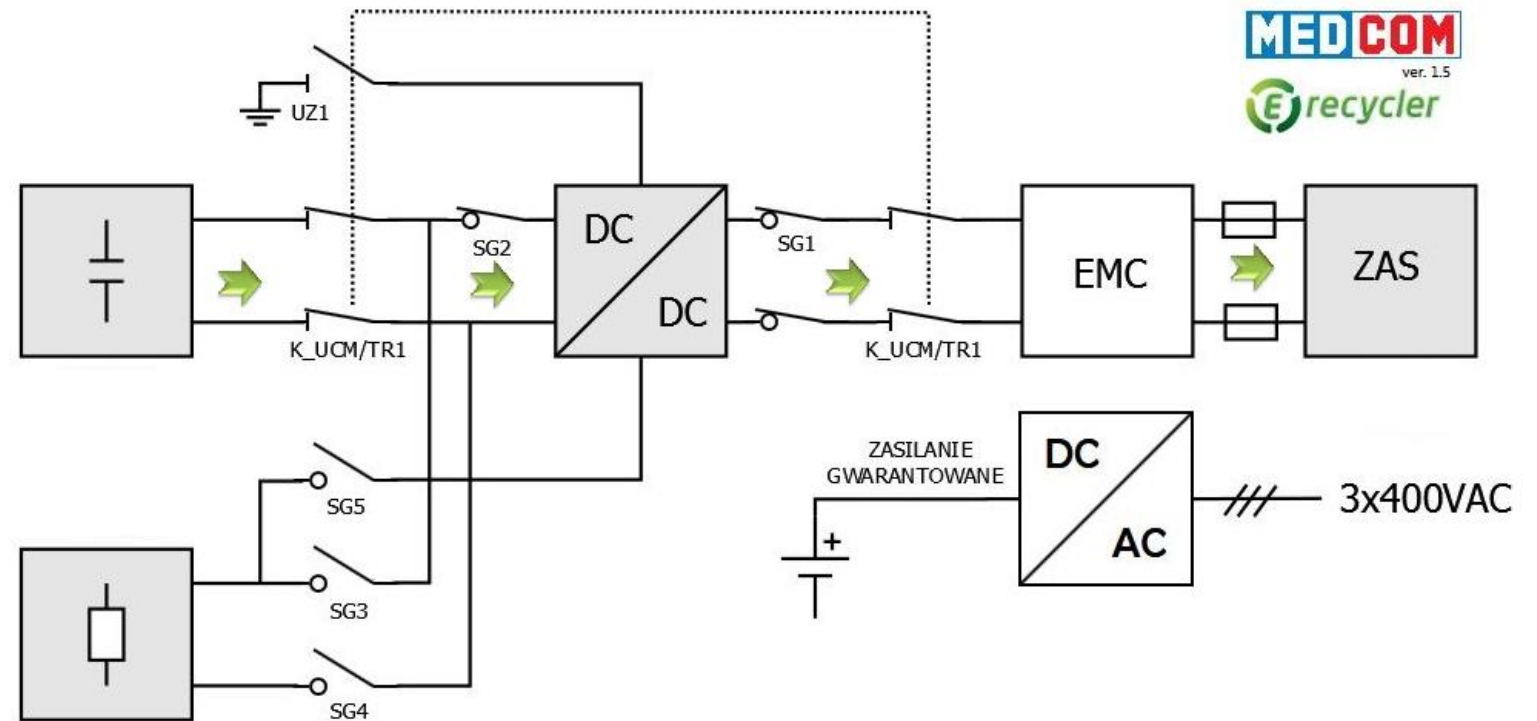
Studies on shared PV system between residential
and traction grids

LOW VOLTAGE AC GRID



➤ SUPERCAPACITOR STORAGE ENERGY SYSTEM

Capacity 1.5 kWh
Max. Power 500 kW
Producer MEDCOM





ENERGY SAVINGS

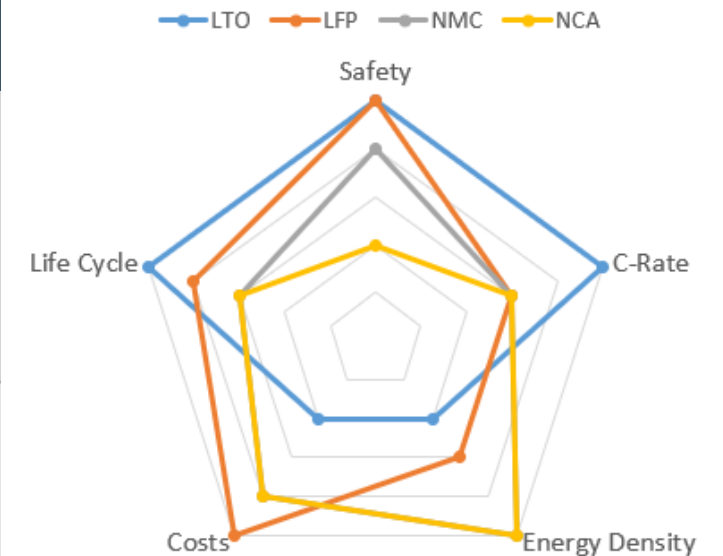
A supercapacitor for storing braking energy – installed in one of the substations placed in the hilly area of the city

**20% energy savings
on the section**



BATTERY CHEMISTRY

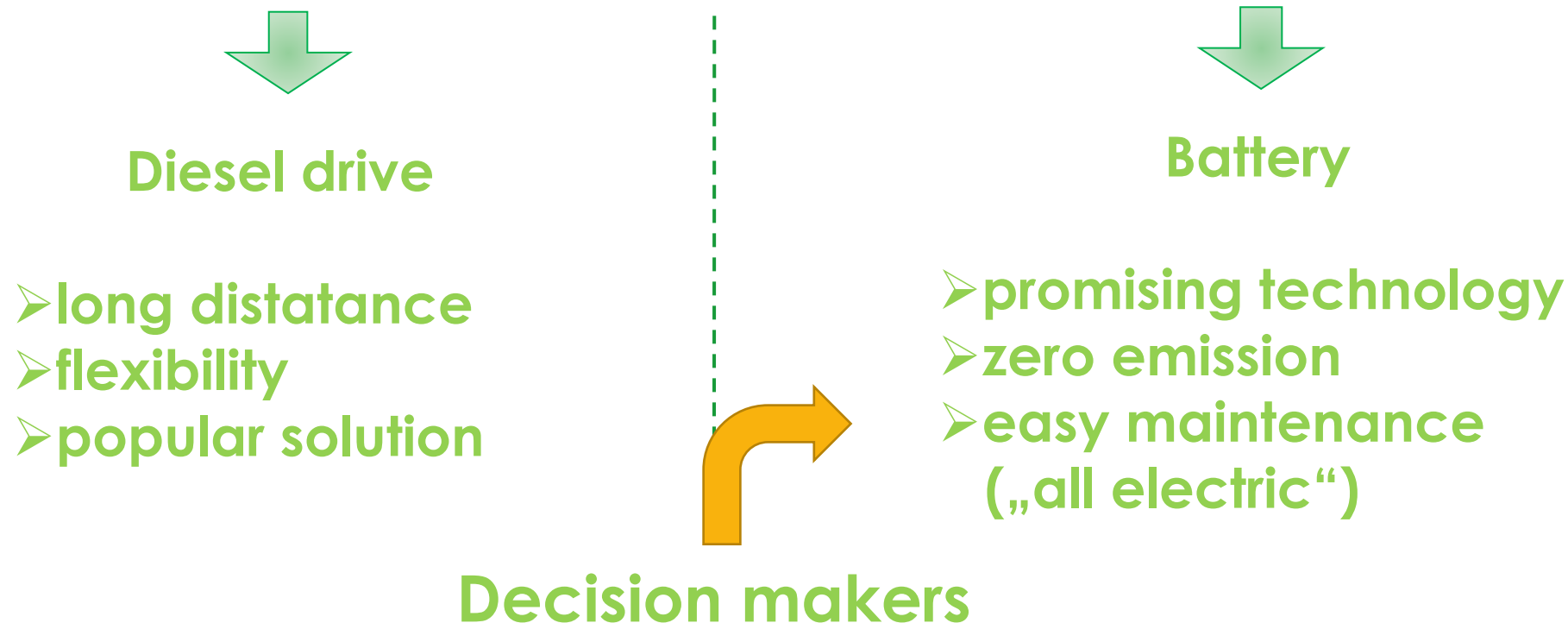
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ORIGINS OF IMC TROLLEYBUSES IN GDYNIA

In 2009 - preparation for the fleet modernization co-financed by EU funds

Basic requirement for the new fleet – auxiliary drive allowing for autonomous operation of trolleybuses



BATTERIES USED IN GDYNIA TROLLEYBUSES

Ni-Cd battery

- ▶ capacity: **6-16 kWh**
- ▶ range: **3-5 km**



Li-Ion battery

- ▶ capacity: **27 & 69 kWh**
- ▶ range: **ca.15 & 30 km**



LiFePO4 battery

- ▶ capacity: **40 kWh**
- ▶ range: **ca. 20 km**



LTO battery

- ▶ capacity: **58 (12m) & 87 kWh (18m)**
- ▶ range: **ca. 35 km**



PKT GDYNIA

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IMC IN USE - REGULAR OFF WIRE OPERATION IN GDYNIA

50 % OF THE LINES ARE EXTENDED (9 OF 18)



Automatic lowering and raising of current collectors

➤ OTHER EUROPEAN IMC LIGHTHOUSE EXAMPLES

- Biel, Switzerland
- Solingen, Germany
- Cagliari, Italy
- Prague, the Czech Republic
- Arnhem, the Netherlands





Take aways

Energy = Power x Time

Electrification requires Power and Space

IMC buses carry passengers not batteries (low power, less space)

IMC buses can re-wire automatically

Mixed use of IMC infrastructure is possible (observe standards)

IMC: key technology to help remove roadblocks to electrification





QUESTIONS?

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