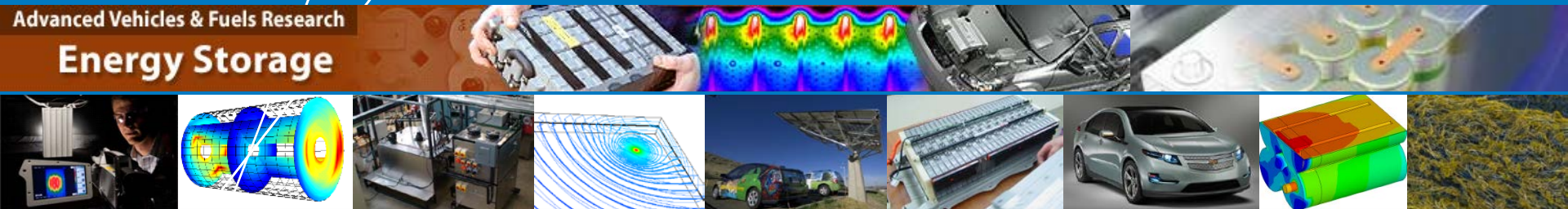


# Comparison of Battery Life Across Real-World Automotive Drive-Cycles

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**Energy Storage**



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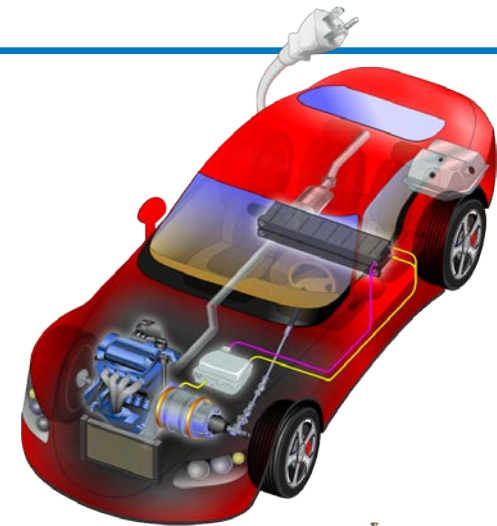
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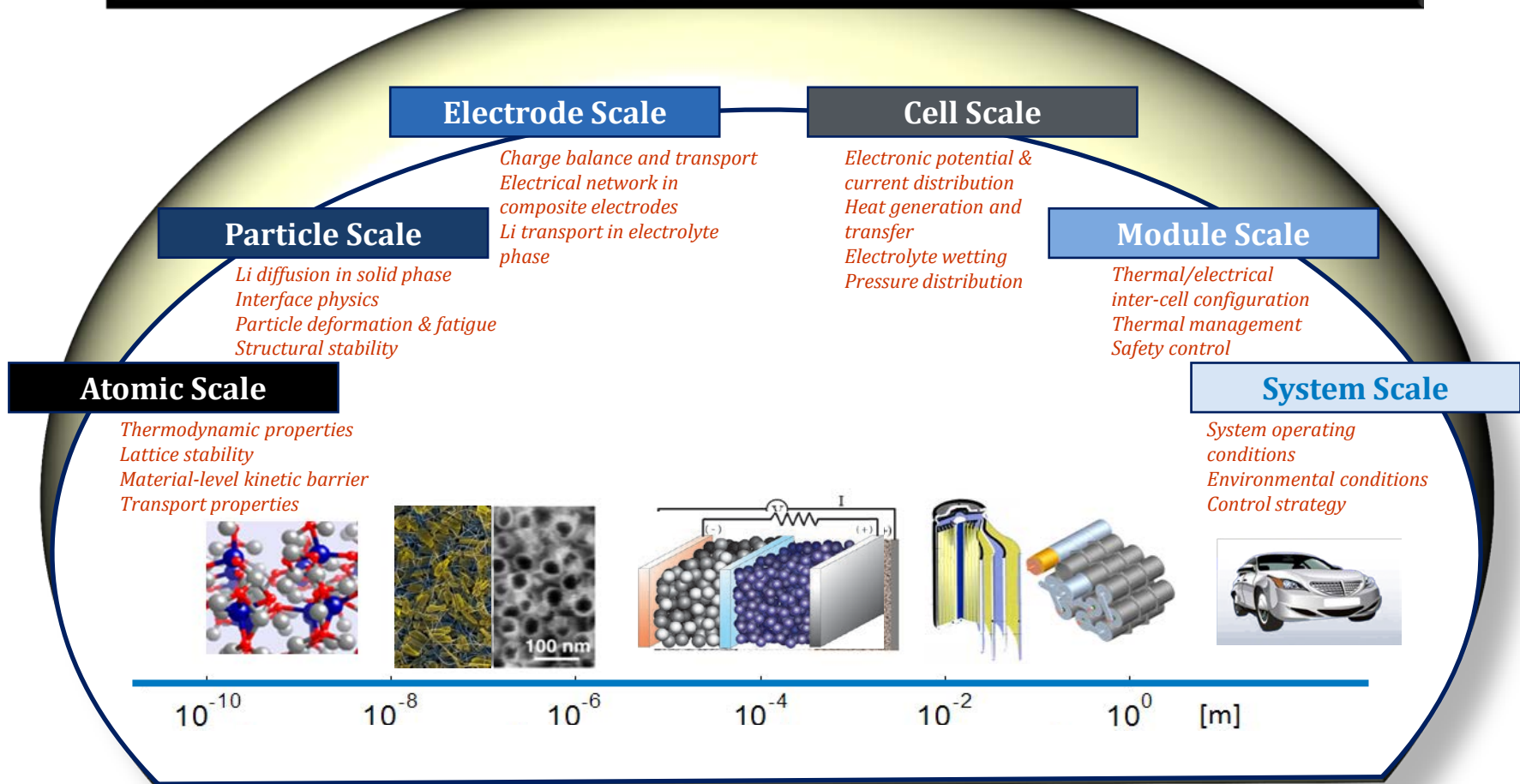
# Motivation

- **Overcome barriers to clean, efficient transportation**
  - Electric-drive vehicles
- **Maximize life, minimize cost of electric drive vehicle batteries (alt: maximize income)**
- **Quantify systems-level tradeoffs for plug-in hybrid vehicle (PHEV) batteries**
  - 3000-5000 deep cycles
  - 10-15 year calendar life at 35°C
  - \$300/kWh at pack level  
(2014 target ~ 70% reduction)



# DOE's Computer-Aided Engineering of Batteries (CAEBAT) Program Integrating Battery R&D Models

## Physics of Li-Ion Battery Systems in Different Length Scales



**Challenge:** How to perform life-predictive analysis for “what-if” scenarios untested in the laboratory (V2G, charging behavior, swapping, 2<sup>nd</sup> use, ...)

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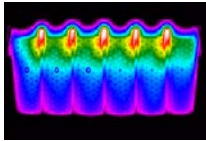
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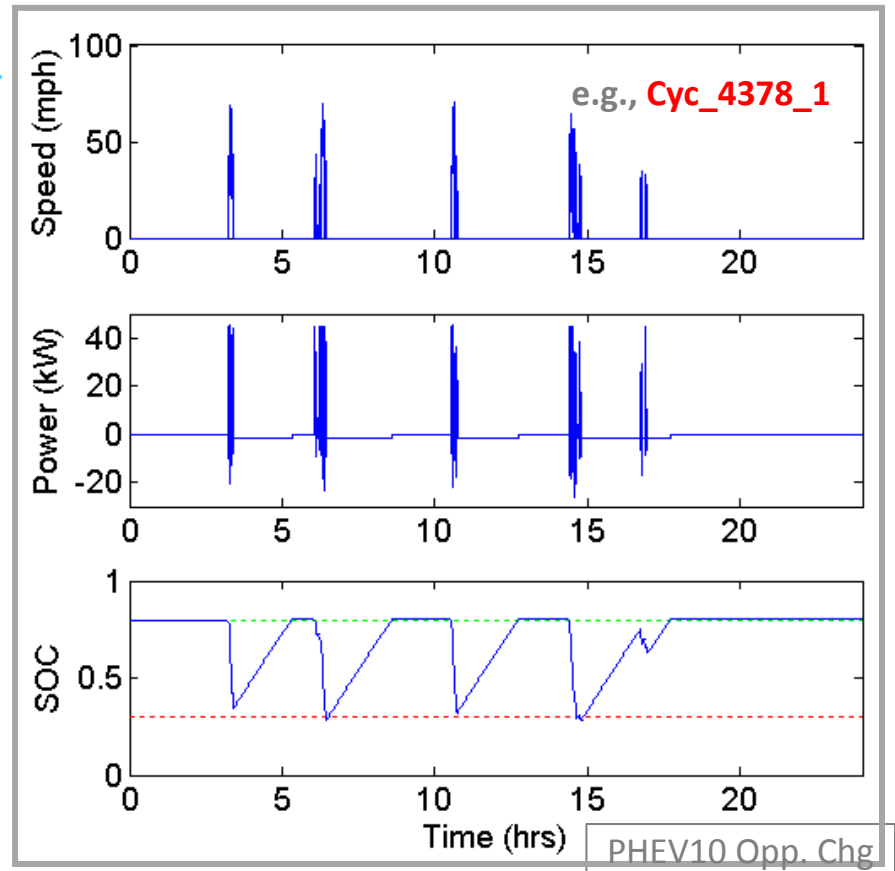
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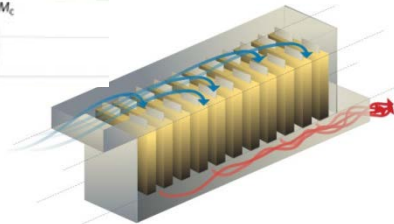
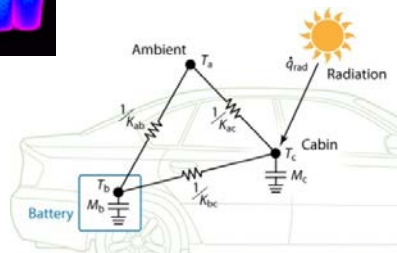
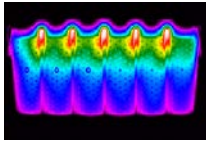
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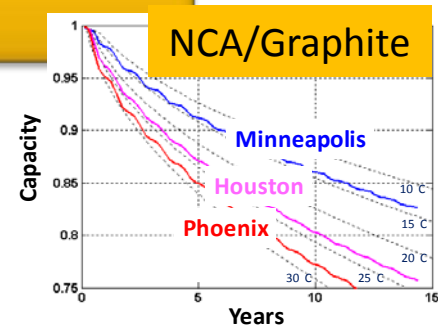
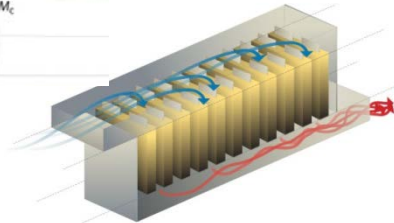
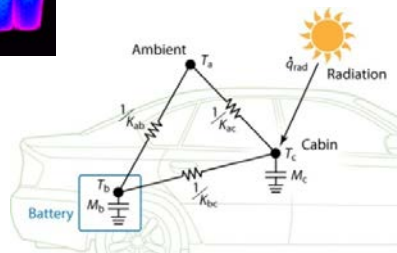
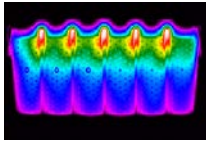
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Battery Life Model

Life





# Life Model Approach

Battery aging datasets fit with empirical, yet physically justifiable formulas

## Calendar fade

- SEI growth (partially suppressed by cycling)
- Loss of cyclable lithium
- $a_1, d_1 = f(\Delta DOD, T, V_{oc})$

## Cycling fade

- active material structure degradation and mechanical fracture
- $a_2, e_1 = f(\Delta DOD, T, V_{oc})$

Relative Resistance

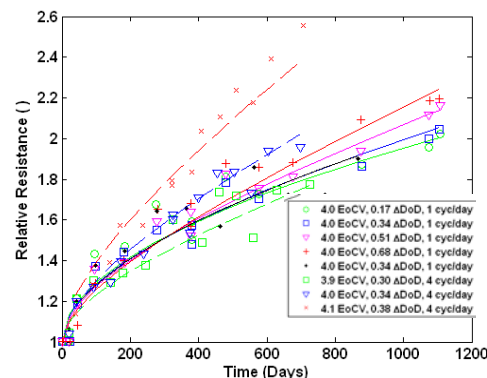
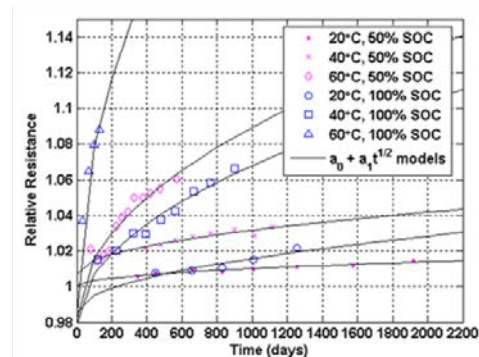
$$R = a_1 t^{1/2} + a_2 N$$

Relative Capacity

$$Q = \min(Q_{Li}, Q_{active})$$

$$Q_{Li} = d_0 + d_1 t^{1/2}$$

$$Q_{active} = e_0 + e_1 N$$



Enables life predictions for untested real-world scenarios

# Acceleration Factors

- Arrhenius Eqn.

$$\theta_T = \exp\left[\frac{-E_a}{R}\left(\frac{1}{T(t)} - \frac{1}{T_{ref}}\right)\right]$$

- Tafel Eqn.

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- Wöhler Eqn.

$$\theta_{\Delta DoD} = \left(\frac{\Delta DoD}{\Delta DoD_{ref}}\right)^\beta$$

- Describe  $a_1, a_2, b_1, c_1$  as  $f(T, V_{oc}, \Delta DoD)$
- Combined effects assumed multiplicative

# Acceleration Factors

## Resistance growth during storage

Data: Broussely, 2007

- Arrhenius Eqn.

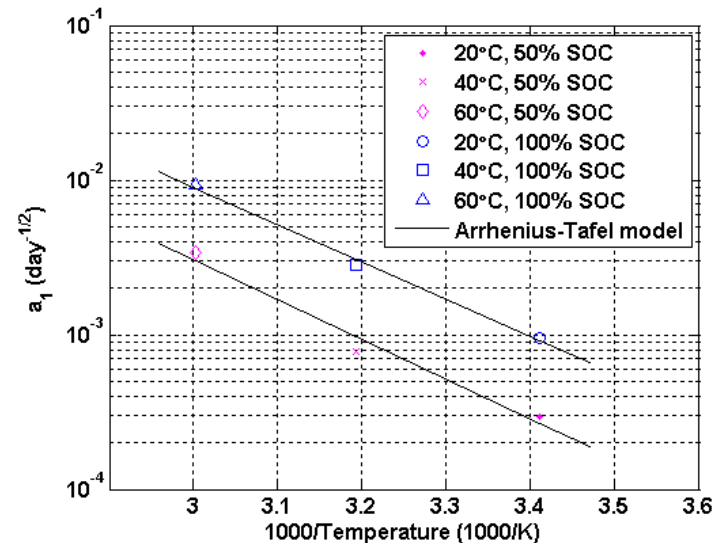
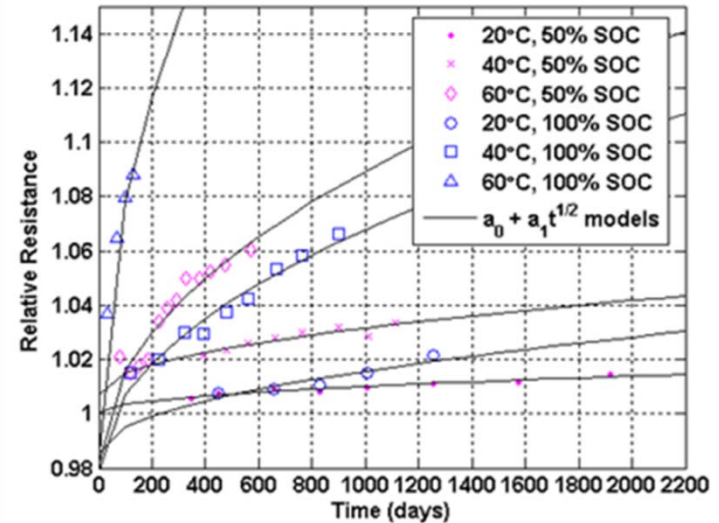
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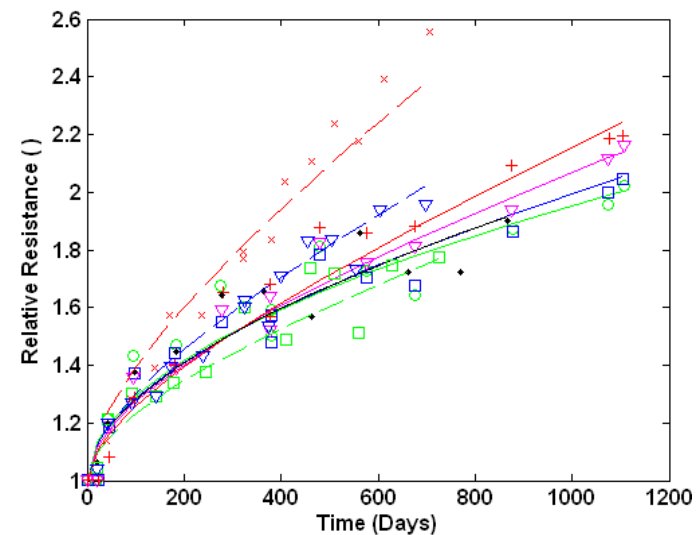
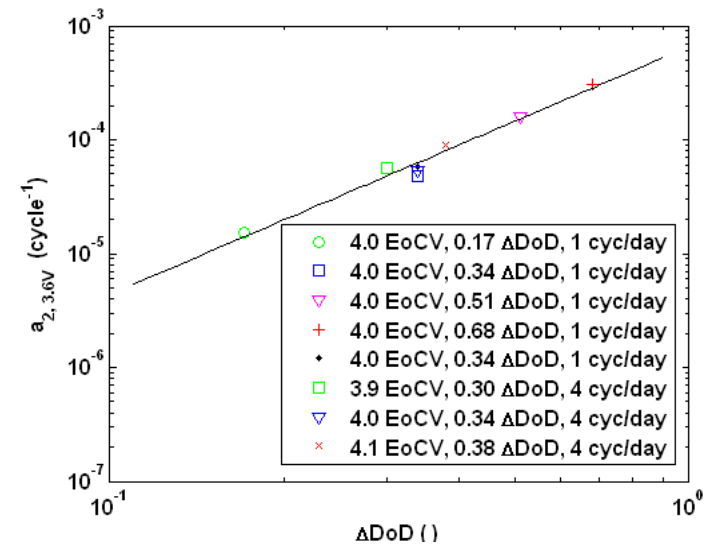
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## Capacity fade during cycling

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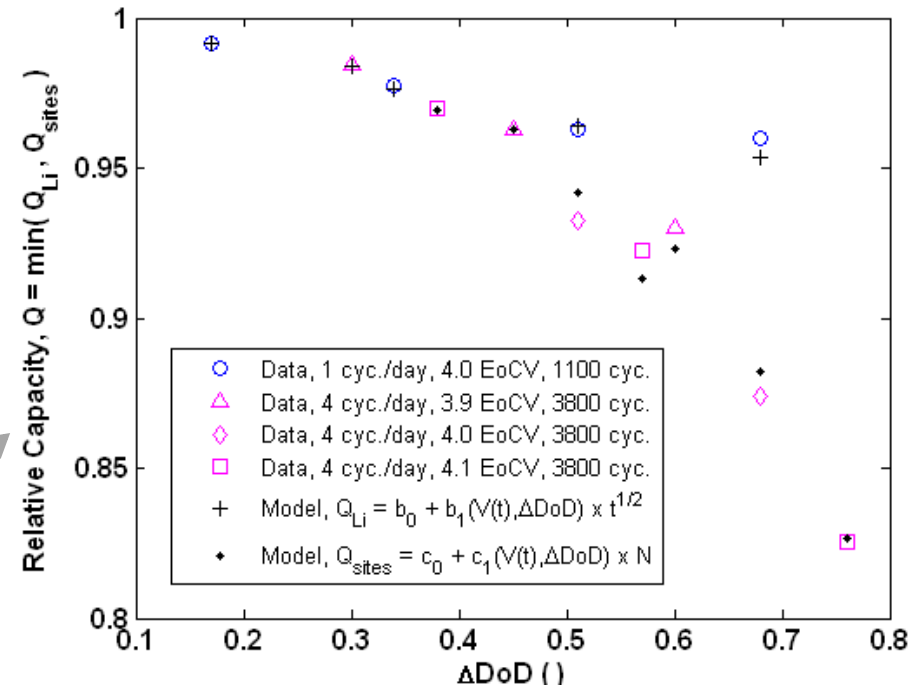
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# Vehicle & Battery Assumptions

		PHEV10	PHEV40
<b>Vehicle</b>	All-electric range, km	16.7	67
	Total vehicle mass, kg	1714	1830
	Electric motor power, kW	40	43
	IC engine power, kW	77	80
<b>Battery Electrical<sup>1</sup></b>	Useable power, kW	44	48
	Useable energy, kWh	2.67	11.48
	Maximum SOC	80%	90%
	Minimum SOC at BOL	30%	30%
	Minimum SOC at EOL	13%	10%
	Excess energy at BOL	100%	67%
	Excess power at BOL, 10% SOC	43%	43%
<b>Battery Thermal<sup>2</sup></b>	Heat transfer area - cells-to-coolant, m <sup>2</sup>	1	3
	Heat transfer area - pack-to-ambient, m <sup>2</sup>	1.2	2.9
	Heat transfer coeff. - pack-to-ambient, W/m <sup>2</sup> K	2	2

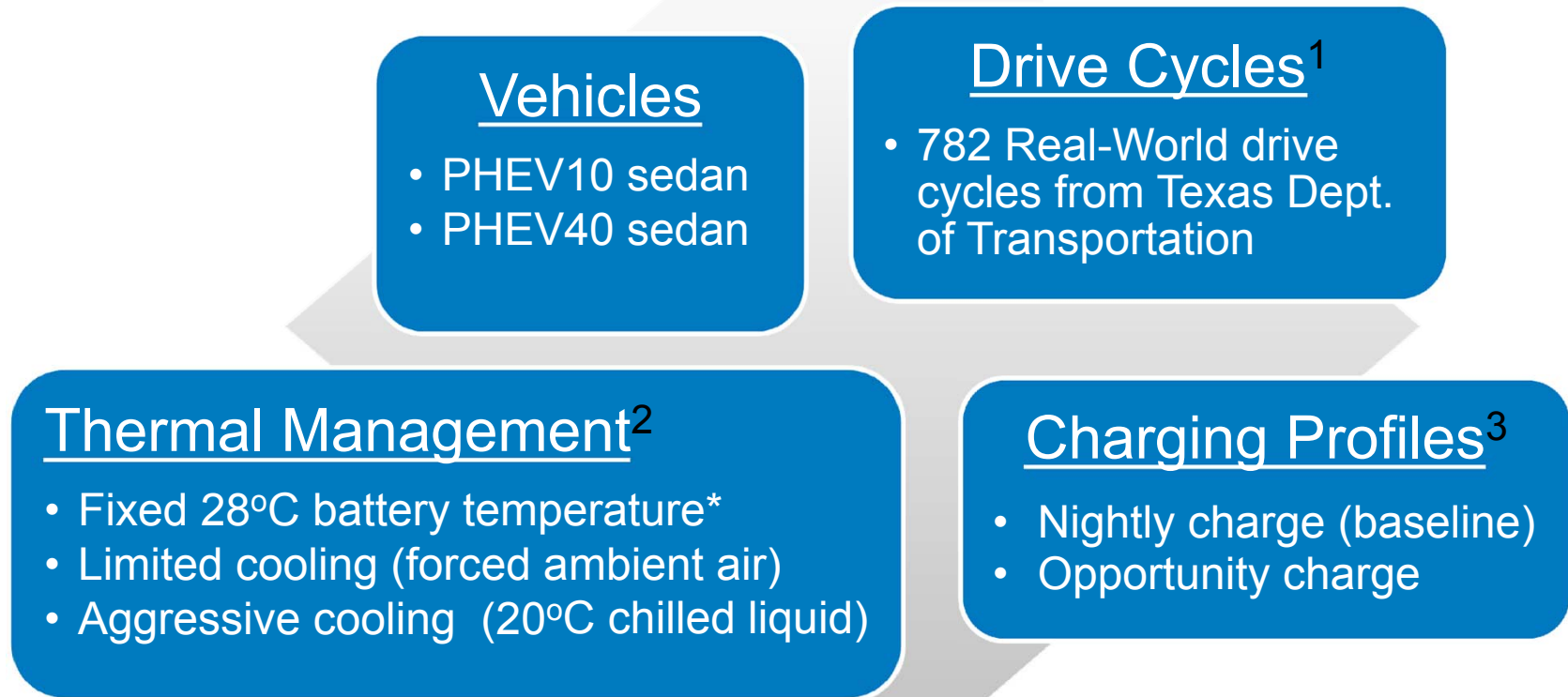
PHEV10:  
50%  $\Delta$ DOD at BOL  
80% SOC<sub>max</sub>

PHEV40:  
60%  $\Delta$ DOD at BOL  
90% SOC<sub>max</sub>

1. EOL condition = 75% of BOL nameplate 1C capacity remaining
2. Heat generation rate at 2/3 of EOL resistance growth

# Life Variability with Real-World Drive Cycles

- Matrix of analytic scenarios



1. Average daily driving distance of Texas dataset is 37.97 miles/day. This paper assumes 335 driving days and 30 rest days per year, scaling the Texas dataset to US-equivalent average mileage of 12,375 miles/year. 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile daily driving distances from the Texas dataset are 99.13 and 4.87 miles/day, respectively.
2. A constant ambient temperature of 28°C was assumed for all thermal simulations, representative of typical worst-case hot climate in Phoenix, AZ. Under battery storage conditions, this effective ambient temperature causes similar battery degradation as would daily and annual temperature variations for a full year in Phoenix.
3. Charging at Level I rate of 1.5 kW.

# Results

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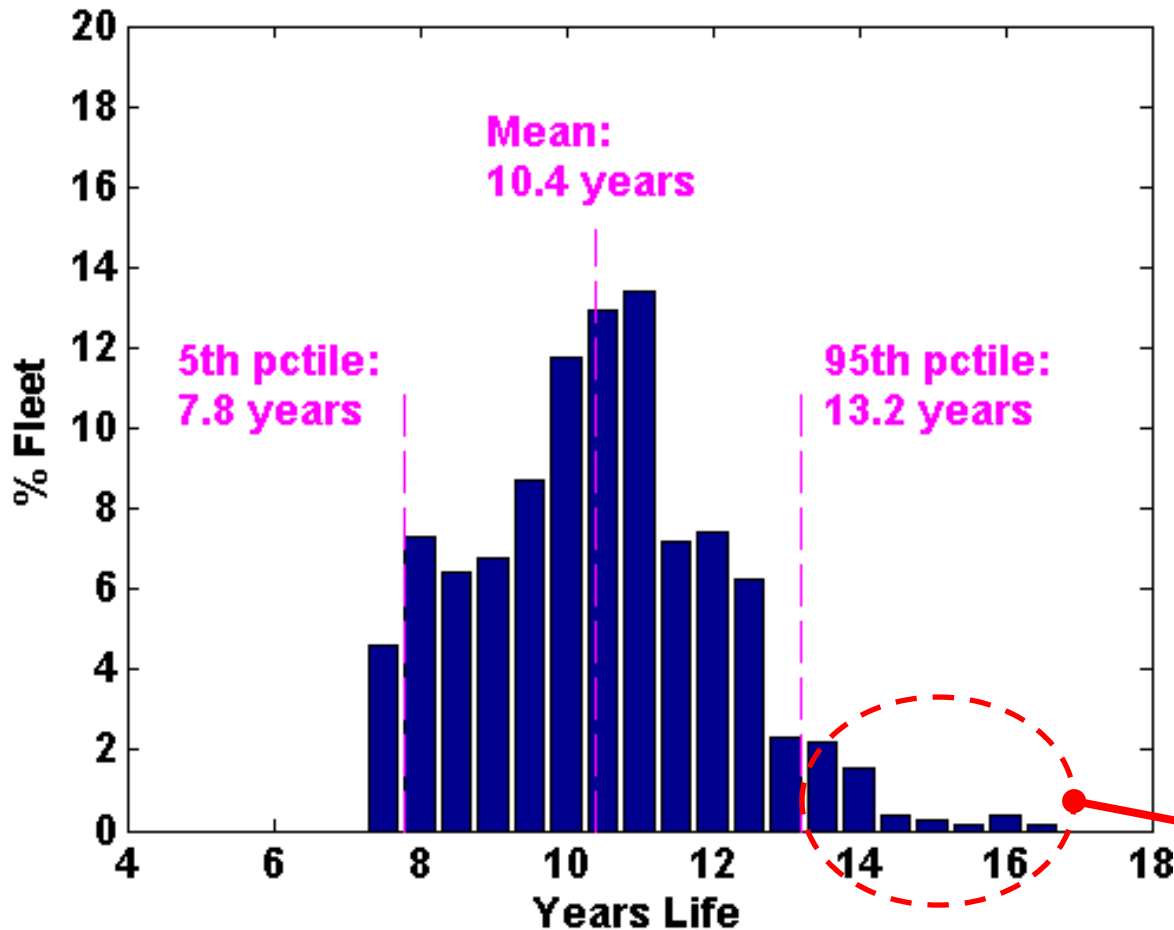
- **Variability in PHEV battery life with real-world drive cycles**
- **Impact of thermal management**
- **Impact of opportunity versus nightly charging**



# Expected Life – PHEV10

Nightly Charge  
Phoenix Climate  
Constant 28°C

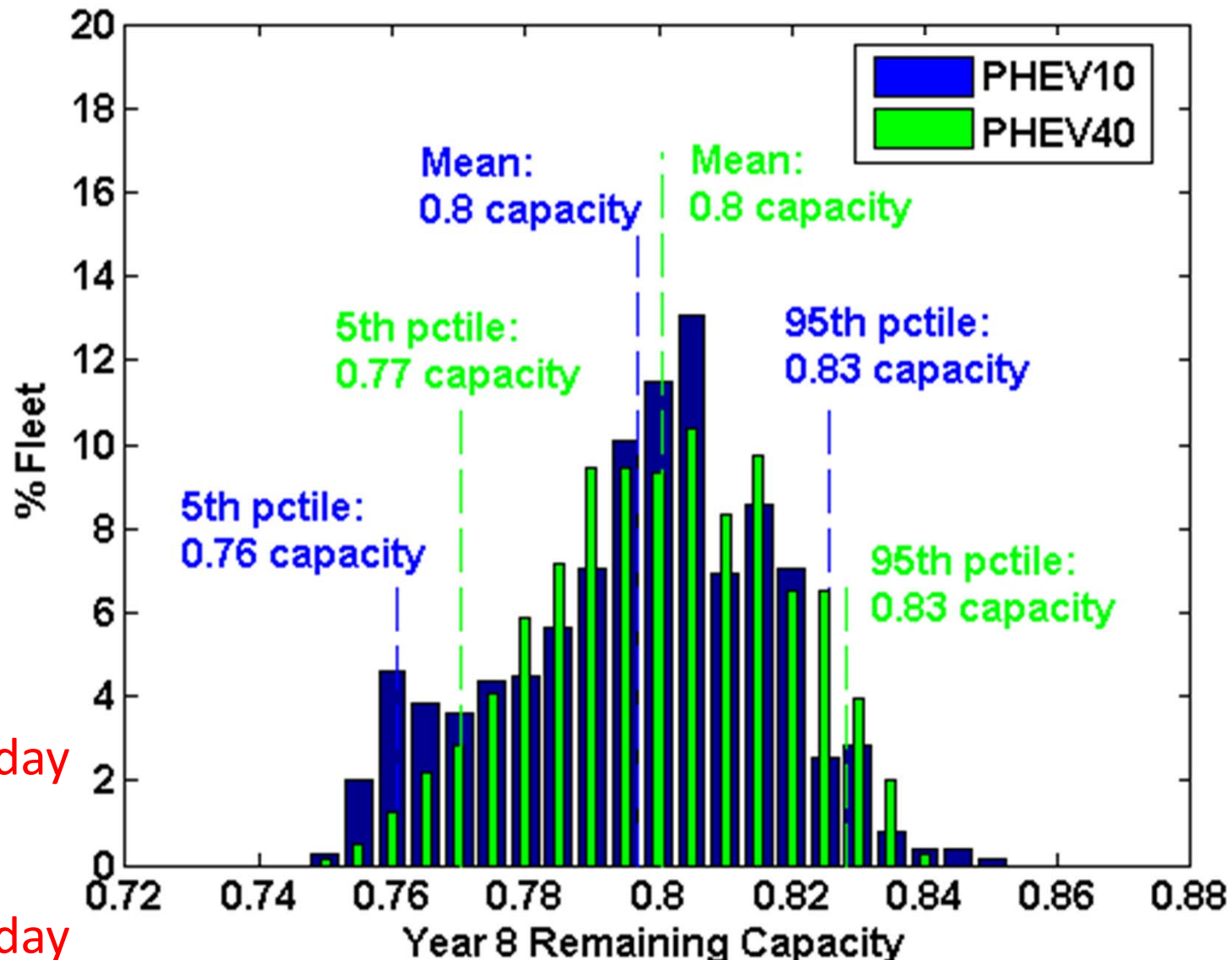
- Different daily driving distances and battery charge/discharge histories result in a distribution of expected battery life outcomes



- Here, life expectancy across 782 driving cycles in a hot climate is 7.8 to 13.2 years
- Key assumptions:
  - Graphite/NCA chemistry
  - End-of-life condition: 75% remaining capacity (of initial nameplate)
  - 80% SOC<sub>max</sub>
  - 30% SOC<sub>min</sub> @ BOL

# Expected Life – PHEV10 vs. PHEV40

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Phoenix Climate  
Constant 28°C

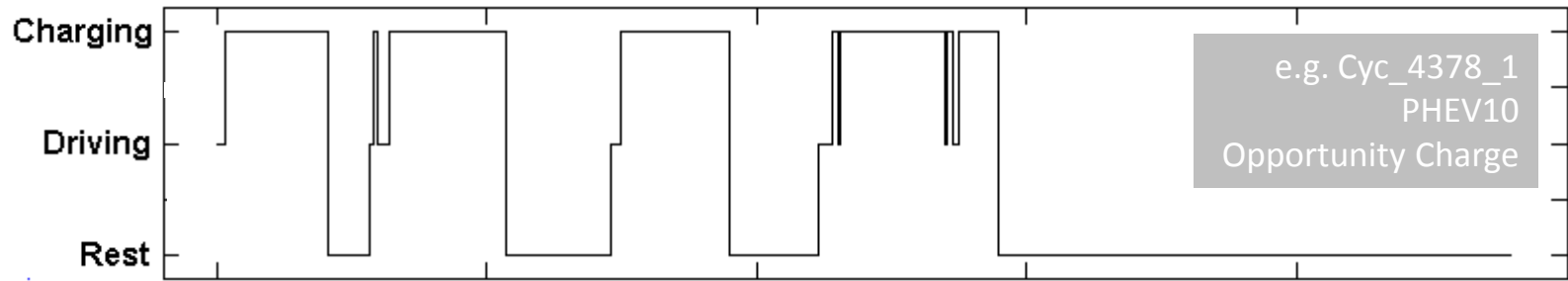


86% of driving cycles > 10 mi/day

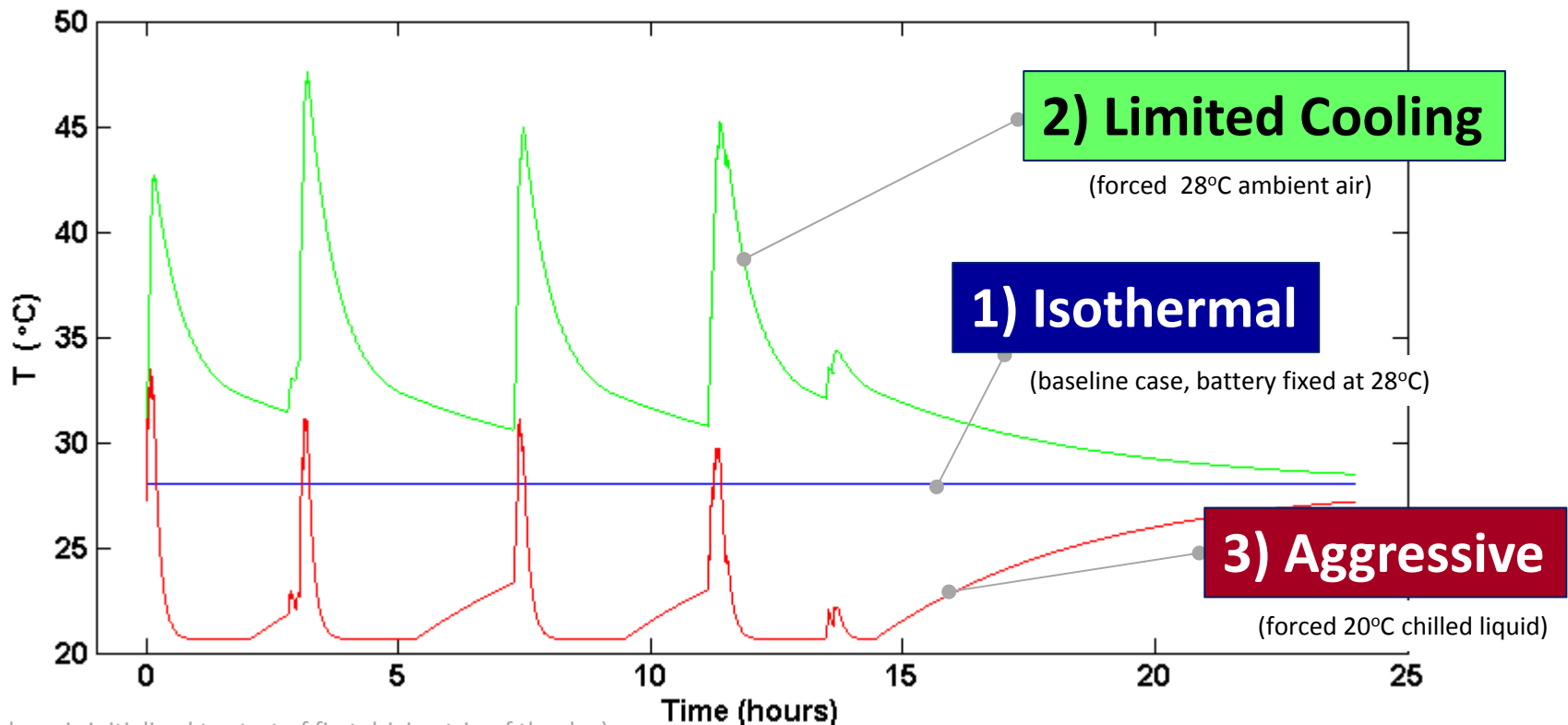
34% of driving cycles > 40 mi/day

# Three battery thermal management scenarios illustrated for an example driving cycle

Driving State



Battery Temperature



(time shown here is initialized to start of first driving trip of the day)

# Expected Life – Thermal Management Impact

Nightly Charge  
Phoenix Climate

## Limited Cooling Scenario

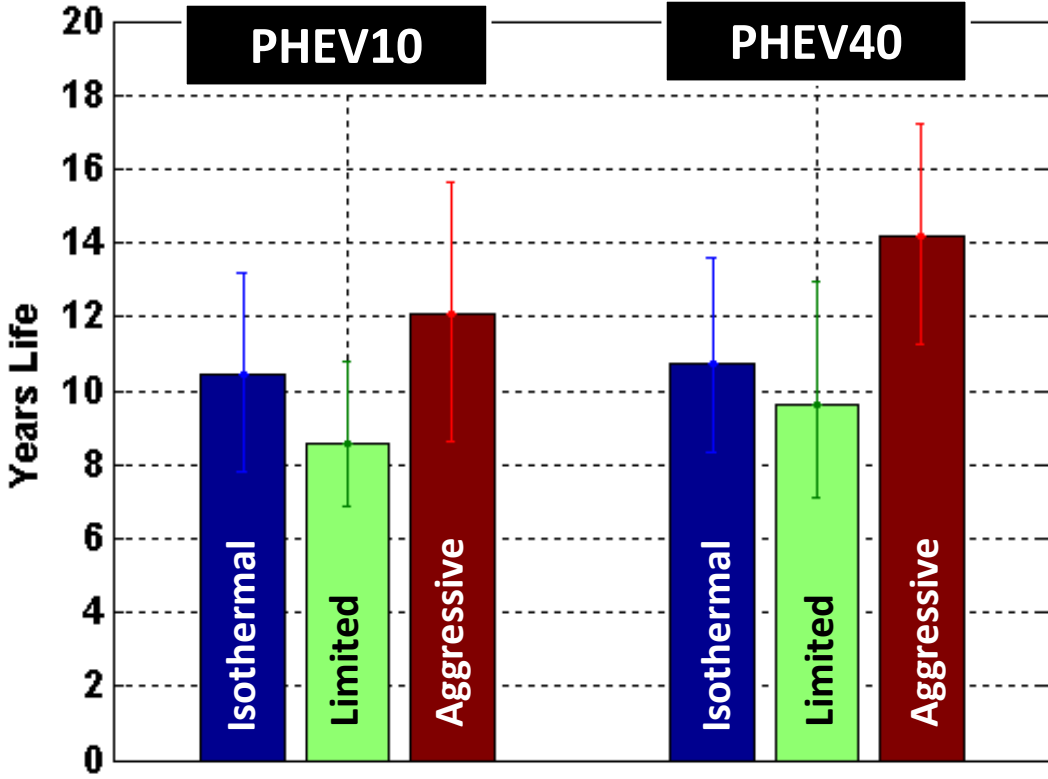
( $T_{fluid}=28^{\circ}C$ ,  $h=15 W/m^2K$ )

- Excessive temperature rise shortens life by 1-2 years compared to baseline

## Aggressive Cooling Scenario

( $T_{fluid}=20^{\circ}C$ ,  $h=85 W/m^2K$ )

- Periodic drawdown of battery temperature to  $20^{\circ}C$ , possible during charging with chilled coolant, extends life by 1-3 years compared to baseline

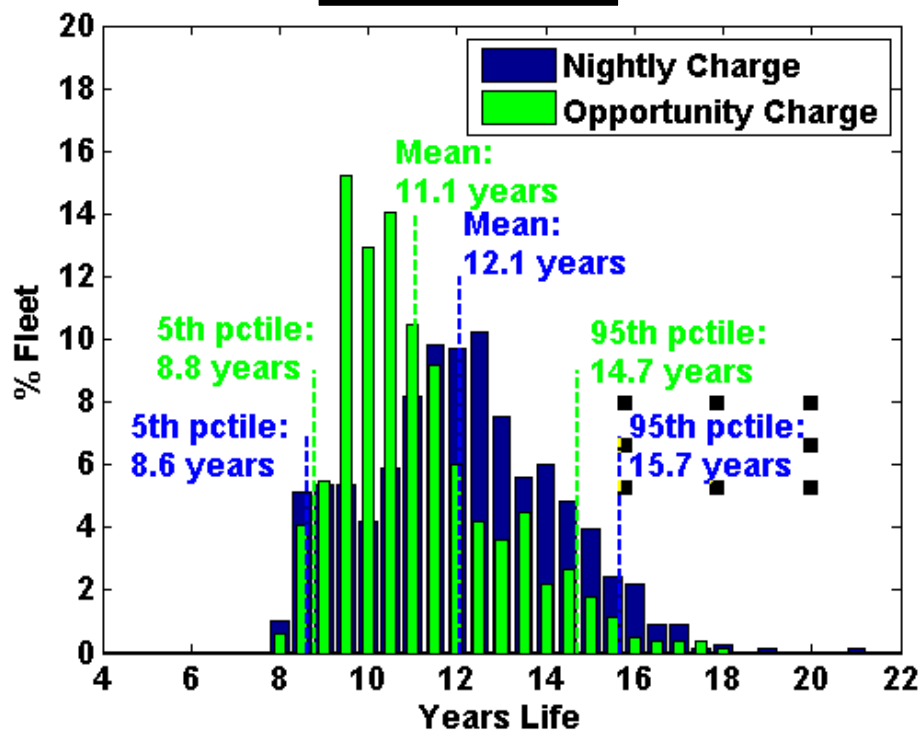


Error bars denote 5<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentile drive cycles

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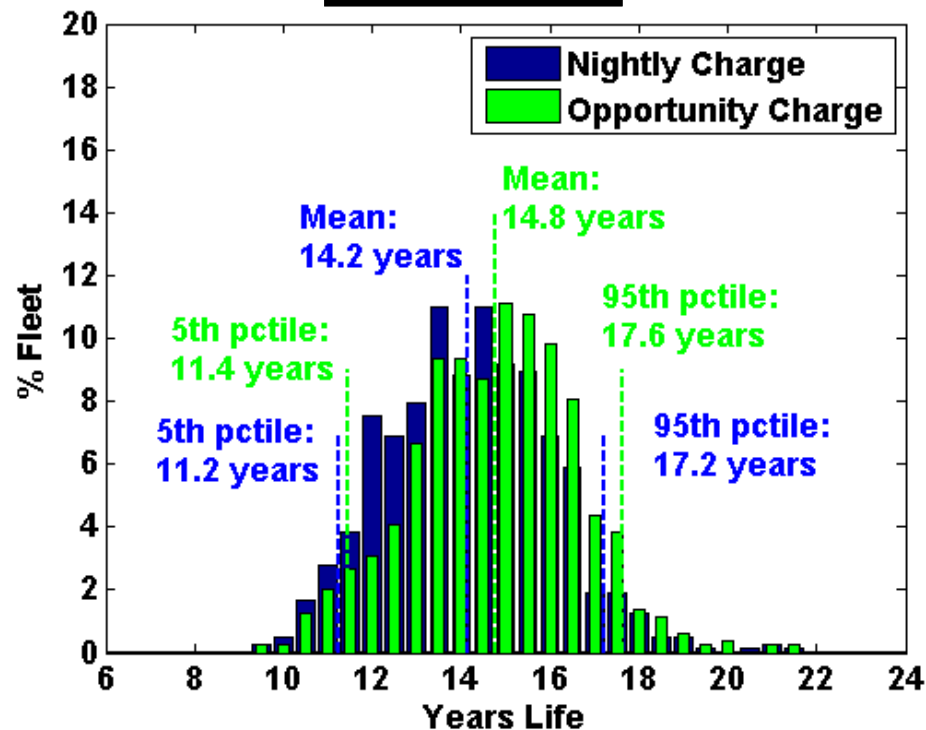
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## PHEV10



- PHEV10: Frequent charging can reduce average life by 1 year

## PHEV40

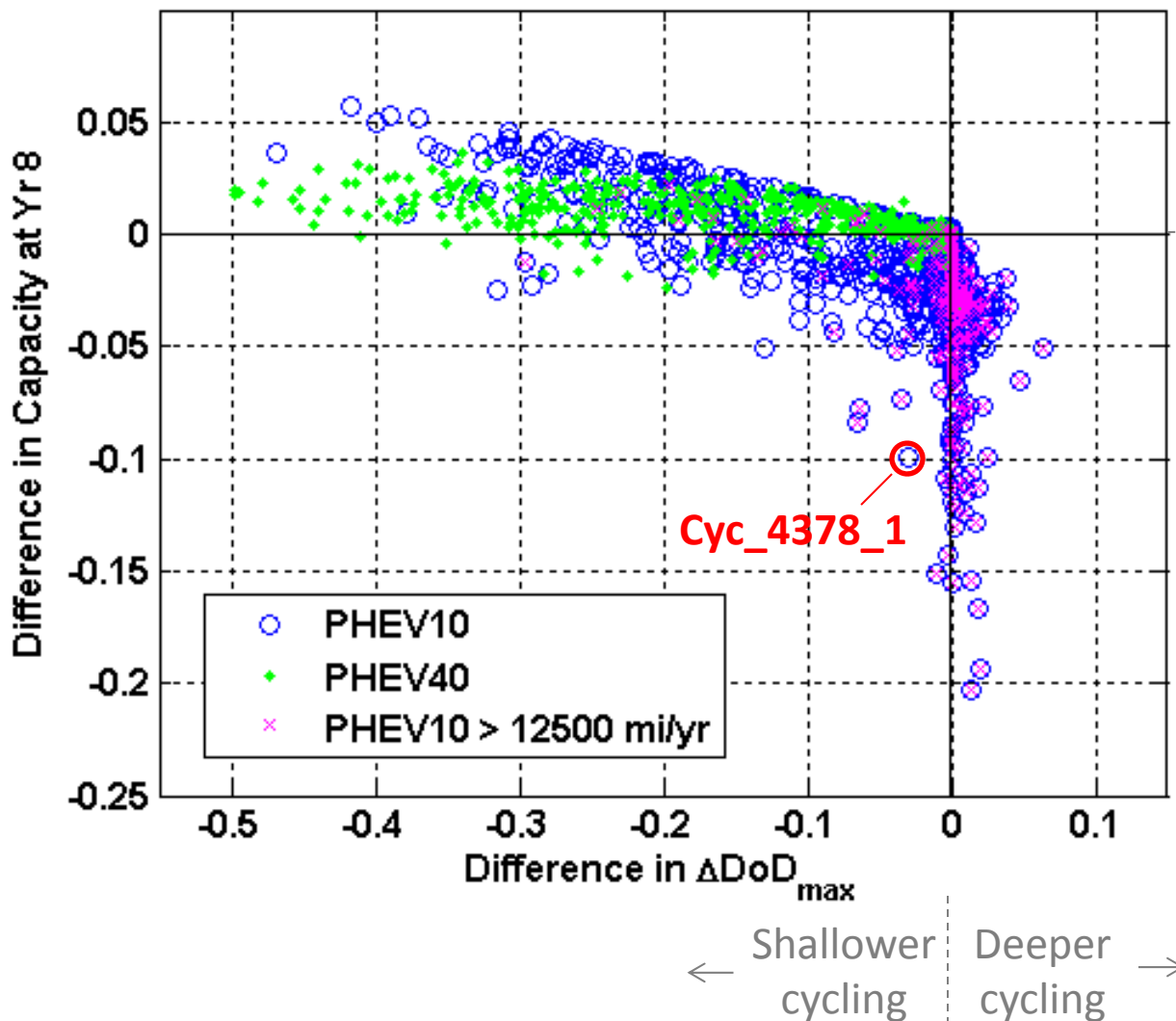


- PHEV40: Frequent charging can extend average life by ½ year

# Impact of Opportunity Charging (Level 1)

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Opportunity Charge minus Nightly Charge Scenario



**PHEV40:**  
Longer life due to shallower CD cycles

**PHEV10:**  
Generally shorter life due to many more CD cycles

- Worst case mostly high mileage drivers
- Exception: Cycle 4378\_1 with four daily trips of ~9 miles ea.

# Life-Extending Controls

## Drive cycle comparison

Heat gen rate

+ environment

Cyclic-throughput

+ charging behavior



Controls

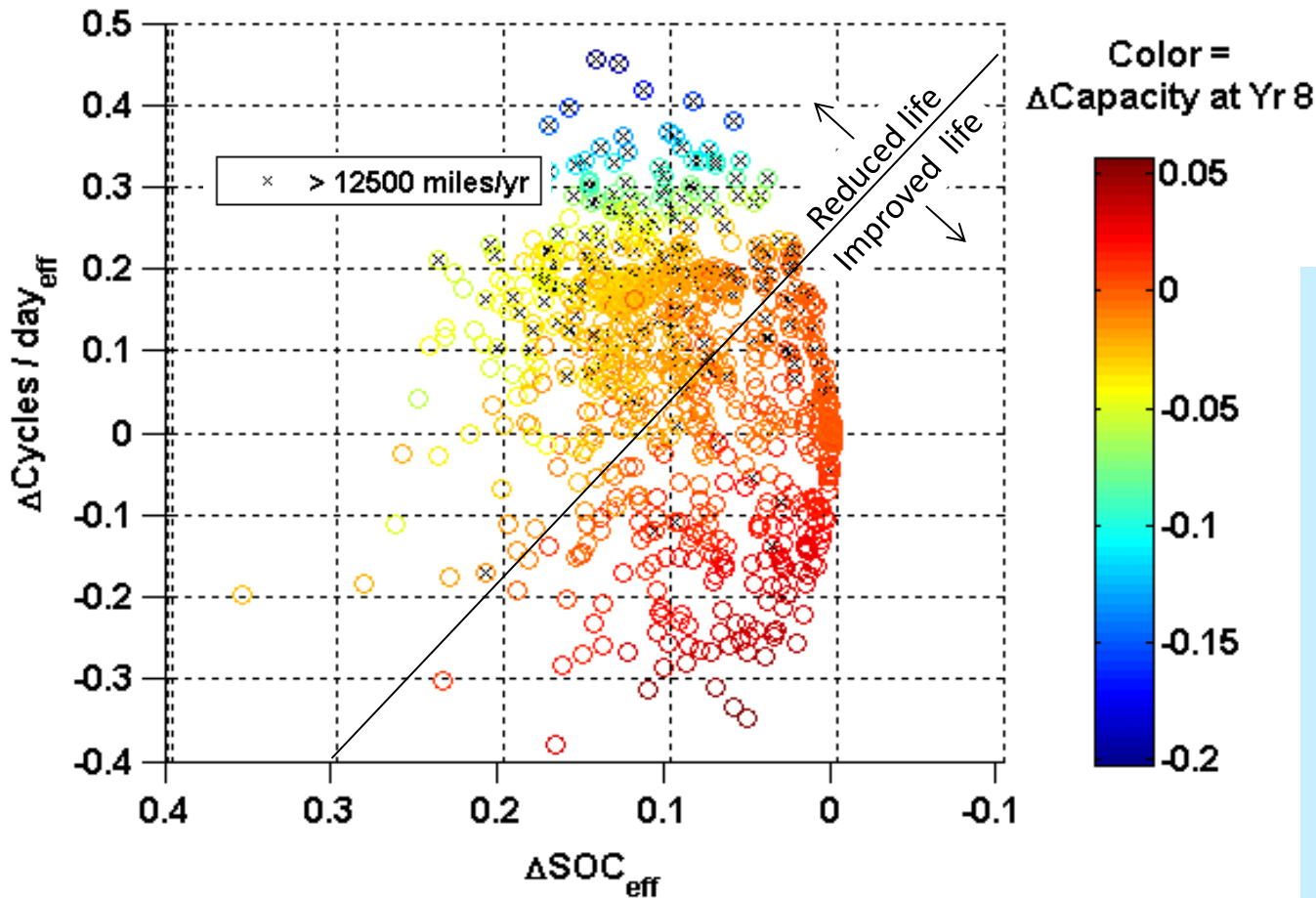
- Thermal management system
- Allowable power

- Allowable energy ( $\Delta DOD$ ,  $SOC_{max}$ )
- Warranty
  - Years life
  - Miles or kilometers life
- Allowable charge-rate

# Opportunity for Life-Controls – PHEV10

Phoenix Climate  
Aggressive Cooling

Opportunity Charge minus Nightly Charge Scenario



Regain 1% capacity at year 8 (extend life by ~6 months) by:

- Reducing charge depletion available energy by 1.5%, or
- Reducing avg. SOC by 5%, or
- Lowering avg. T by 0.5°C



# Conclusions

- **Electric-drive vehicle batteries designed to last 8 years under worst-case duty cycles and environments may last well beyond that for typical aging conditions**
  - Opportunities for vehicle-to-grid and 2nd use
- **Refrigeration-type cooling systems reduce excessive over-sizing of batteries specifically for hot climates**
- **Worst-case PHEV driving and charging patterns are those with high utilization of charge-depletion mode of operation**
  - Small PHEV10 battery life highly sensitive to frequent charging scenarios for moderate-to-high mileage drivers
  - However, electricity is less expensive than petroleum operation and can financially offset shorter battery life
  - Opportunities to improve life through design and controls

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