

Advanced Powertrain Research Facility AVTA Nissan Leaf testing and analysis

Note: This presentation summarizes the major findings which have been presented at several different occasions in the past.

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Overview

- Vehicle information
- Instrumentation and test plan
- General test results
 - SAE J1634 Short cut test method
 - Energy Consumption and range
 - Two Leafs, two different results
 - Battery performance, depletion and charging
 - Accessory load summary
- Thermal testing
 - 72F results
 - 20F results
 - 95F with solar load results
- Conclusions



Nissan Leaf - Battery Electric Vehicle Benchmark Goals

- AVTA Test Vehicle
- Level 1 Benchmark
- BEV with Lithium Ion battery
- Energy consumption at different temperatures
- Mass impact study (not part of this presentation)

Baseline dyno testing



2WD dyno



4WD thermal dyno

AVTA



Nissan Leaf

Vehicle architecture	Battery Electric Vehicle
Test weight	3750 lb
Power plant	Traction PM motor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 80kW AC synchronous electric motor*
Battery	Lithium Ion battery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 kWh lithium-ion battery Charging* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.3 kW onboard charger (J1772 connector)* • 120V portable trickle charging cable*
Performance (0- 62 mph)	10 seconds* 90 mph*
Fuel economy	range – 100 miles/charge based upon US EPA LA4 City cycle ¹

* Manufacturer data www.nissanusa.com



Fleet testing

With potential end of life testing



Comparison with Other Competitors

	Volt	Prius (3 rd gen)	Leaf
Type	PHEV	HEV	BEV
ETW [lb]	4116	3375	3750
CS FE hot UDDS [mpg]	44.2	64	N/A
CD EC hot UDDS [DC Wh/mi]	226	N/A	199
Performance 0-60 mph [s]	9.2	9.8	10.0
Price [\$]	39,145	23,500	35,200

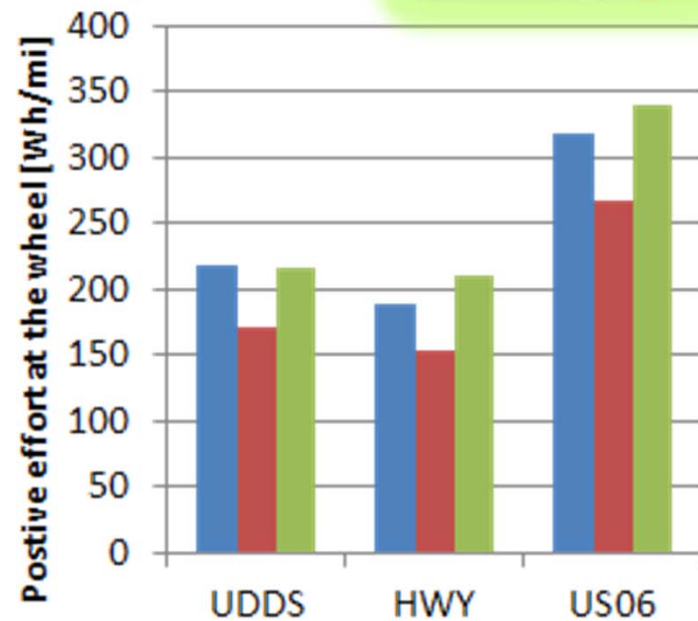
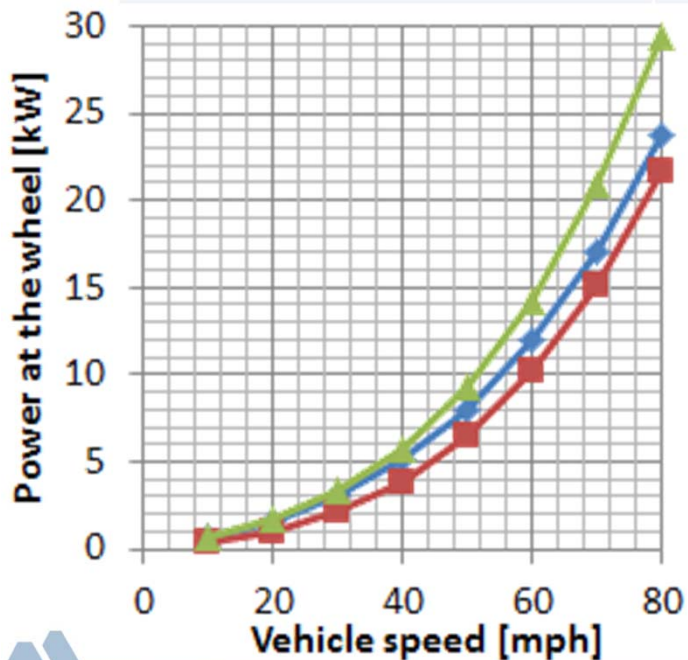
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Volt

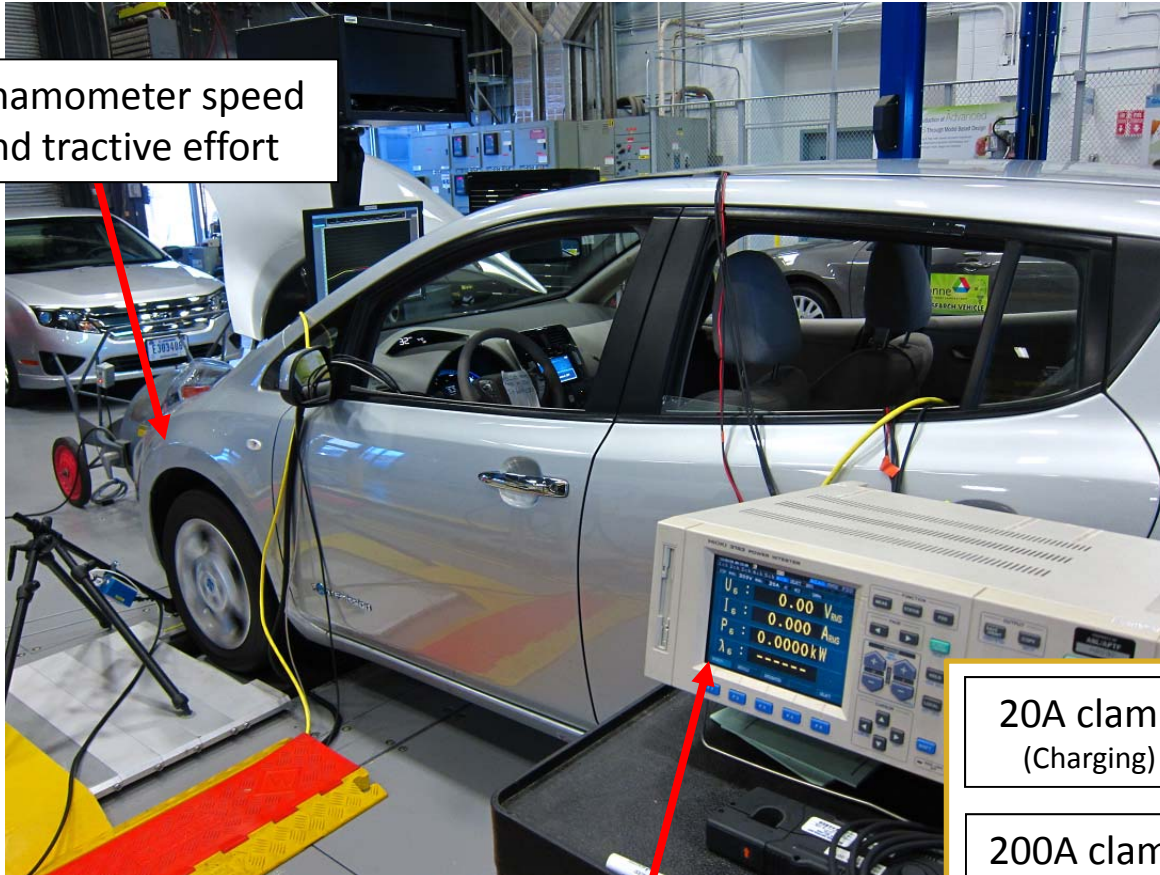


Leaf



Level 1 Instrumentation - Power and Energy

Dynamometer speed and tractive effort



Select CAN

1. Accel pedal position
2. Motor speed
3. Battery V, I

Note: The instrumentation was non-invasive and limited as the vehicle is going into the AVTA fleet test with INL

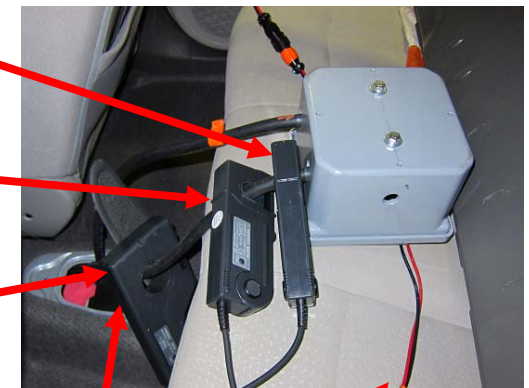
Hioki power analyzer

20A clamp (Charging)

200A clamp (drive cycle)

500A clamp (US06 + WOT)

High Voltage Battery service disconnect

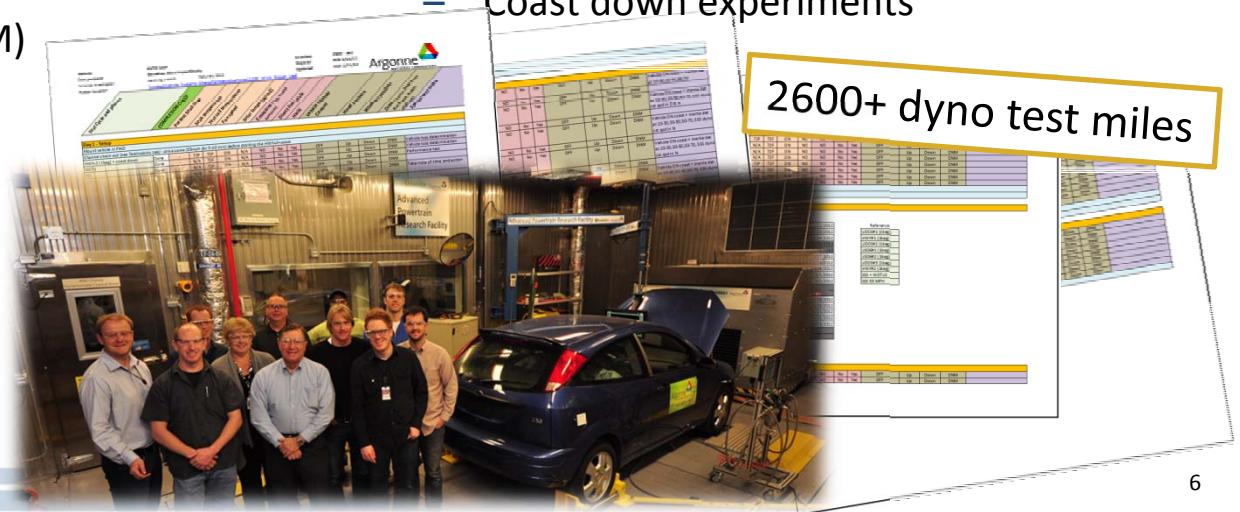


Voltage tap

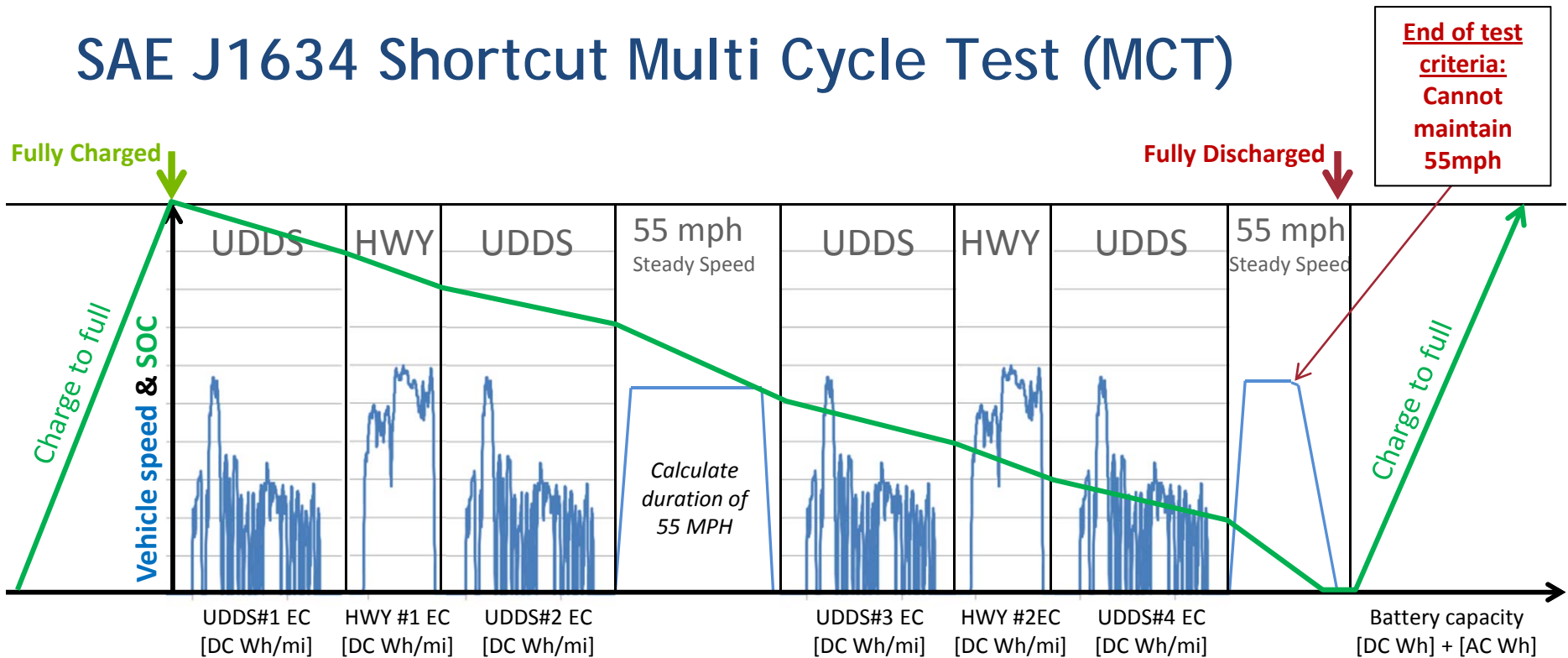
Extensive test plan for the Nissan Leaf

- Standard level 1 tests:
 - UDDS
 - HWY
 - US06
 - SC03
 - Energy consumption and range
- Additionally
 - LA92
 - NEDC
 - JC08
 - World cycle
 - Real World cycle (UofM)
- Mass impact study
 - Separate study not discussed today
- Thermal testing at 20F and 95F with solar load
- Performance and component tests
 - Steady state speed and WOTs at different SOCs
 - Air conditioning pull down tests
 - Heater pull up tests
 - Charging
 - Level 2 at 72F, 20F and 95F
 - Level 2 over weekend at 72F
 - Large number of charge events
 - Coast down experiments

Thanks to the great APRF staff
(Special thanks to Mr. Stauber who
drove most of the 2600 miles for
repeatability)



SAE J1634 Shortcut Multi Cycle Test (MCT)



- **Goal:** determine AC energy consumption and range of a BEV on multiple cycles in one test day, instead of several full charge test days.
- Based on past APRF BEV data, the MCT does*:
 - Match **Efficiency**
 - Extrapolate **Range**
 - Includes “First Cycle Effect”
 - Fixes ambiguous end-of-range
 - Spreads cycles to different SOCs



*See M Duoba's work on SAE J1634

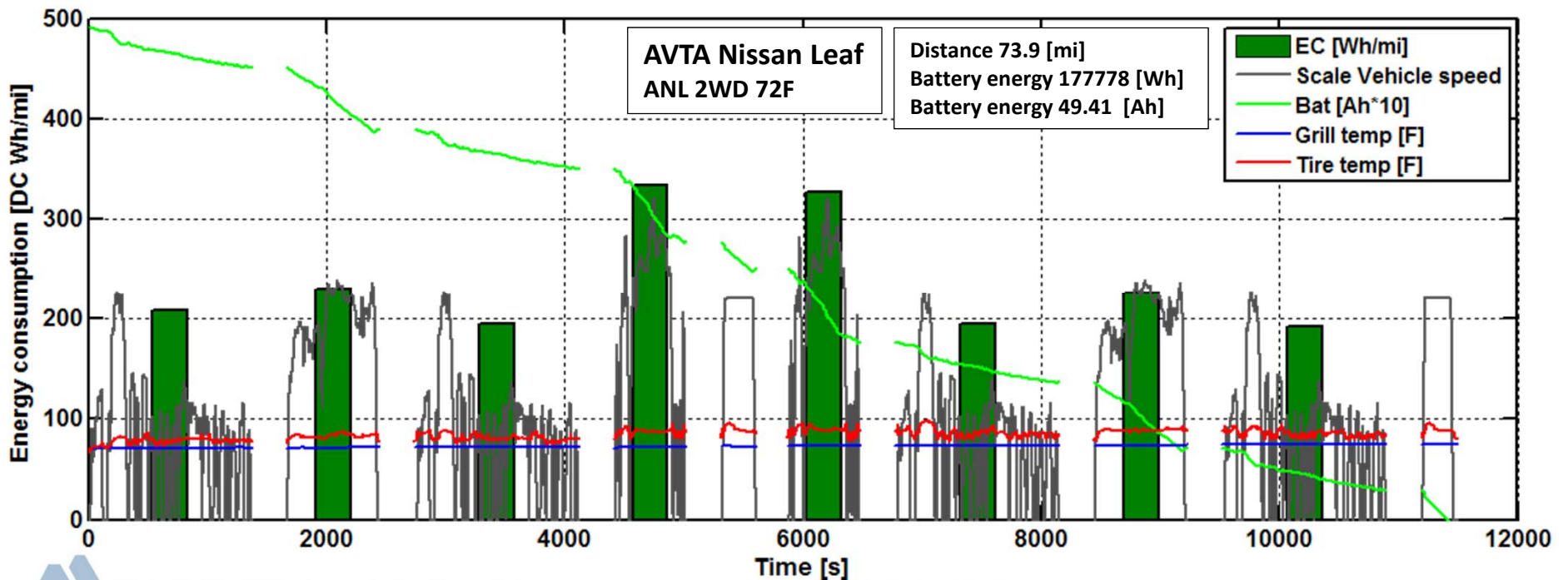


AVTA Nissan Leaf Test Results on modified J1634 MCT with US06



Calculated Cycle Results	UDDS	HWY	US06
Energy consumption [DC Wh/mi]	194	228	334
Energy consumption [AC Wh/mi]	233	274	395
Range [mi]	92	78	54

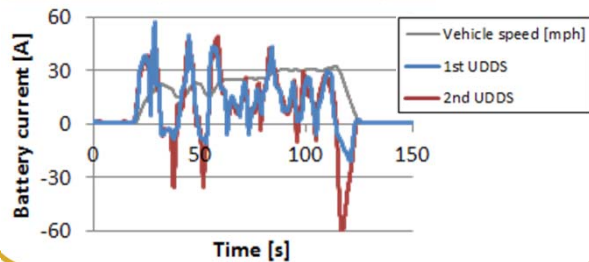
Measured Charging results	UDDS
Grid Charge Energy [AC Wh]	21352
DC Charge Energy [DC Wh]	18234
DC Charge Energy [DC Ah]	49.20



60% to 80% Powertrain Efficiency on Drive Cycles

A full battery limits regen:

Cycle	Dyno neg.	Battery neg.
UDDS#1	-0.772 kWh	-0.473 kWh
UDDS#2	-0.777 kWh	-0.534 kWh



General conclusion:

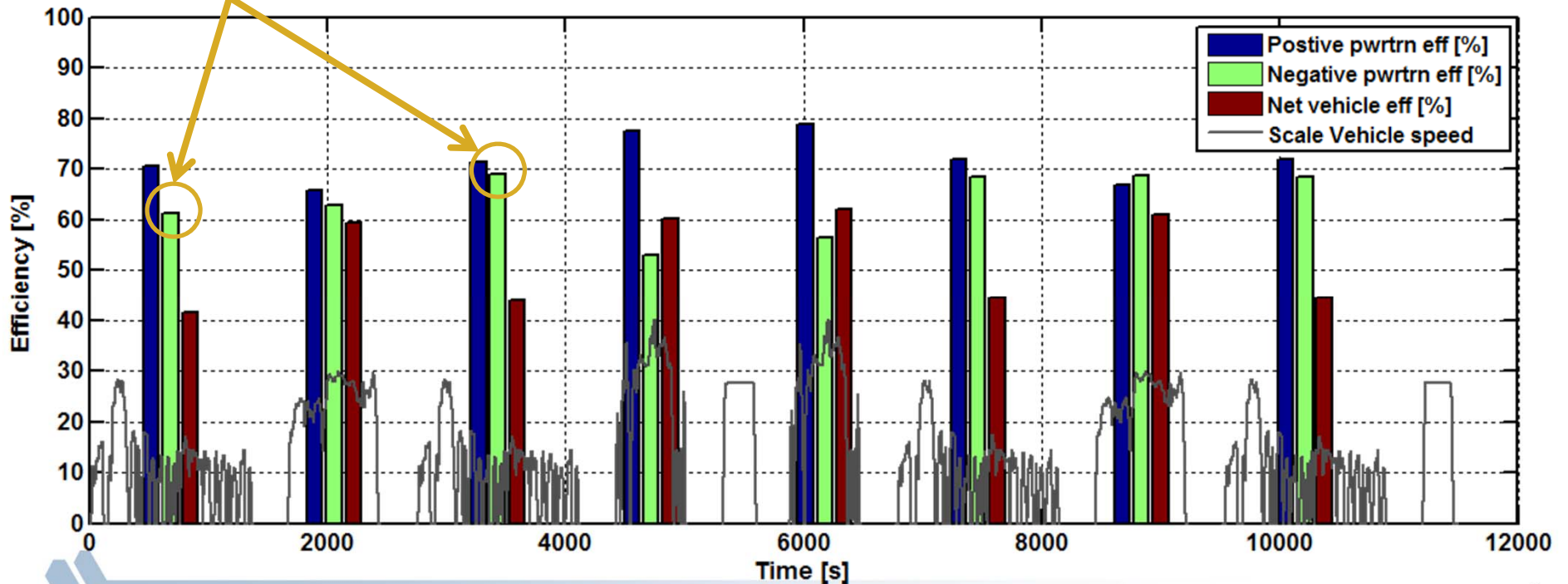
- Higher loads yield higher powertrain efficiencies
- The accessory loads (DCDC) lower the vehicle efficiency on low load cycles

Calculation definition

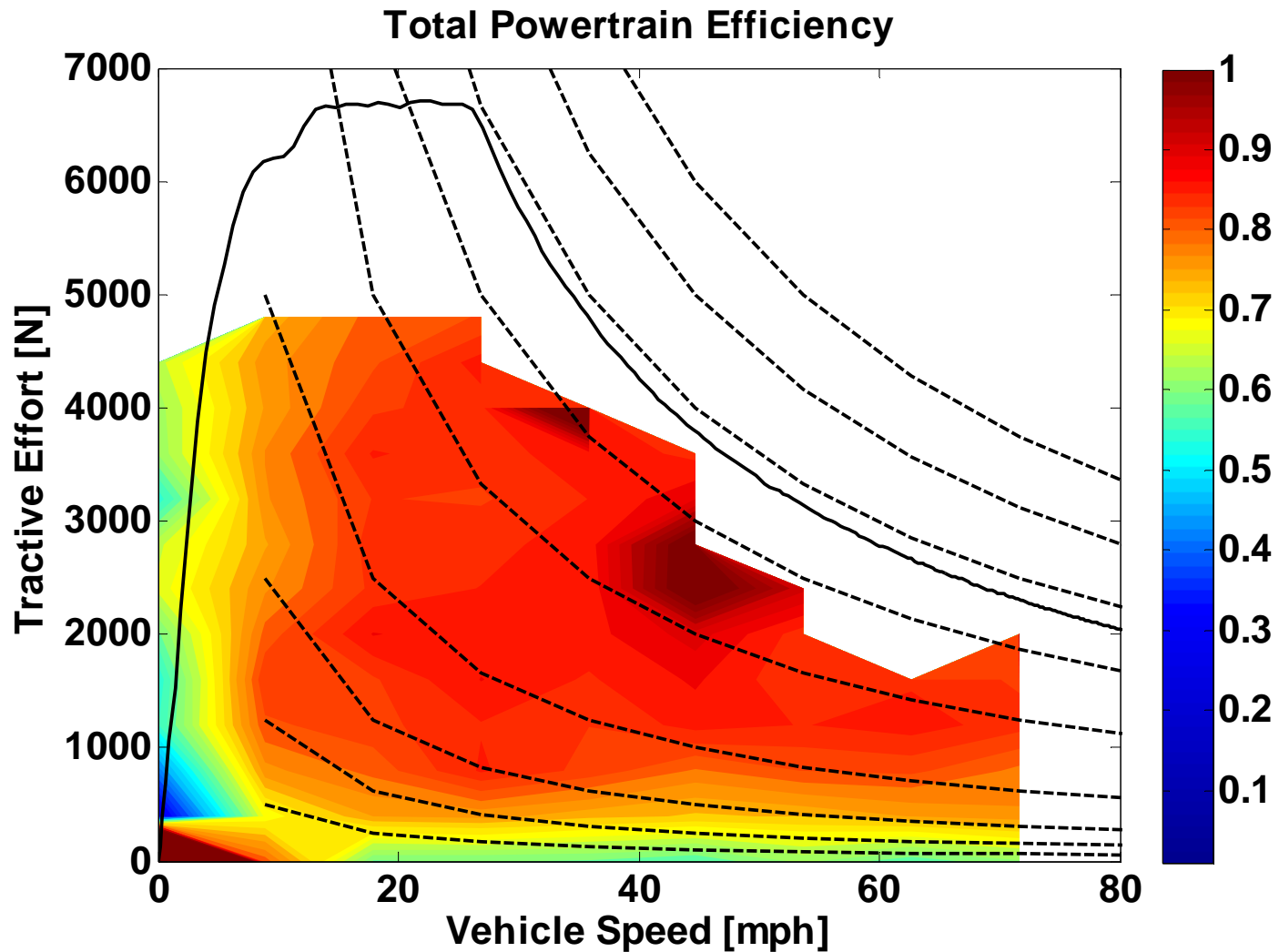
$$PowertrainEfficiency_{positive} = \frac{\int (BatteryPower_{positive} - DCDCPower) dt}{\int (DynoTractiveEffort_{positive}) dt}$$

$$PowertrainEfficiency_{negative} = \frac{\int (DynoTractiveEffort_{negative}) dt}{\int (BatteryPower_{negative} + DCDCPower) dt}$$

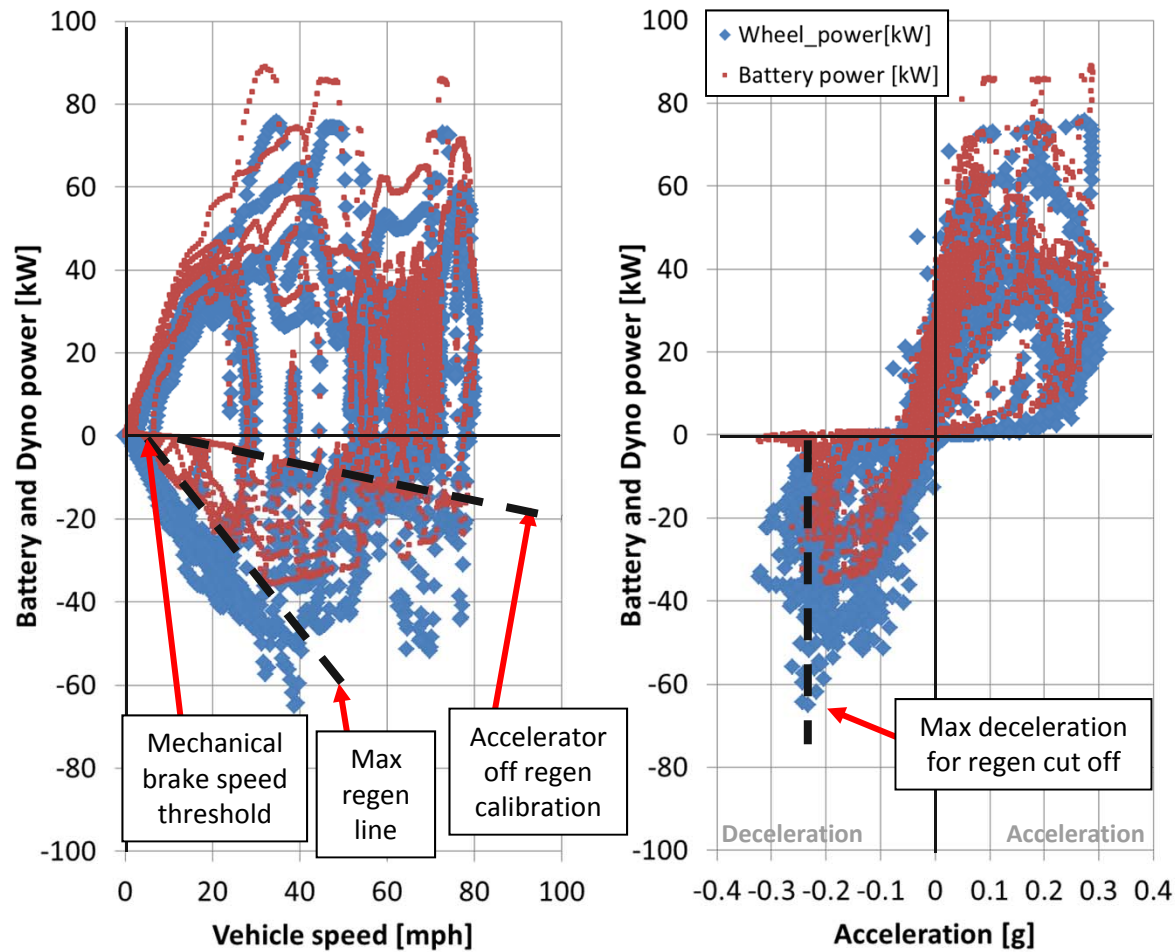
$$VehicleEfficiency_{net} = \frac{\int (BatteryPower) dt}{\int (DynoTractiveEffort) dt}$$



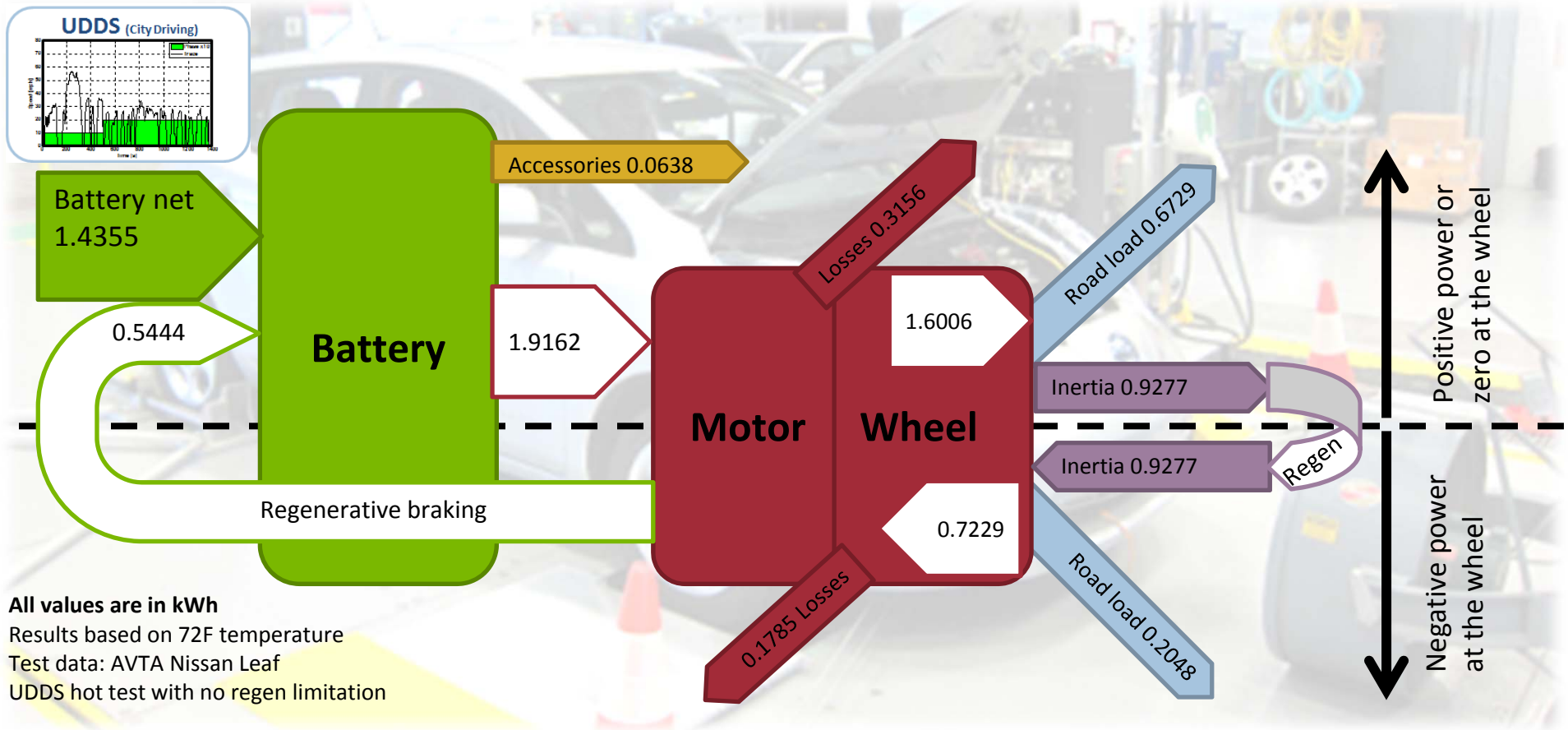
Powertrain efficiency using composite of UDDS, HWFET, US06 tests = Tractive power/Batt power



US06 Shows the Regenerative Braking Envelop



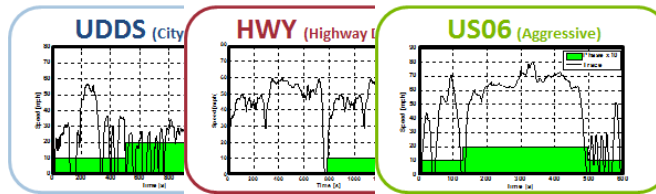
Energy Distribution for the Nissan Leaf



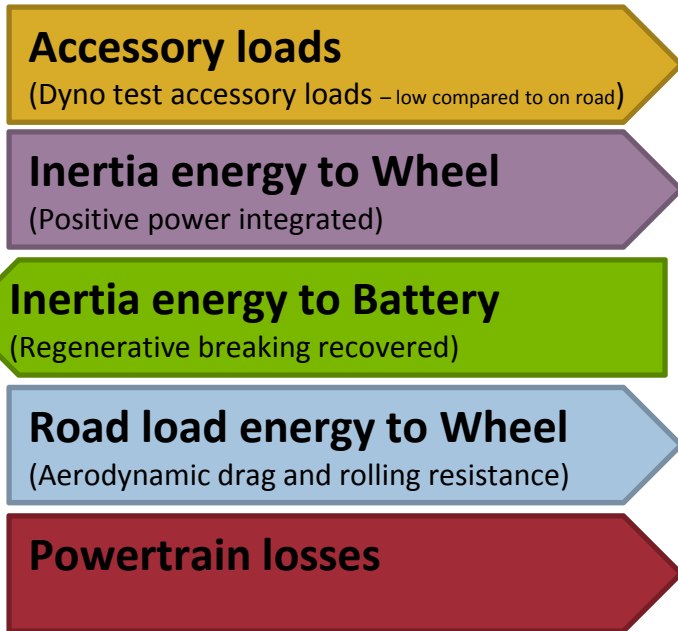
Energy flow in a Battery Electric Vehicle

Battery energy
(Net DC battery energy used to completed the drive cycle)

100%



Note: Results based on 72F temperature
Hot tests with no regen limitation



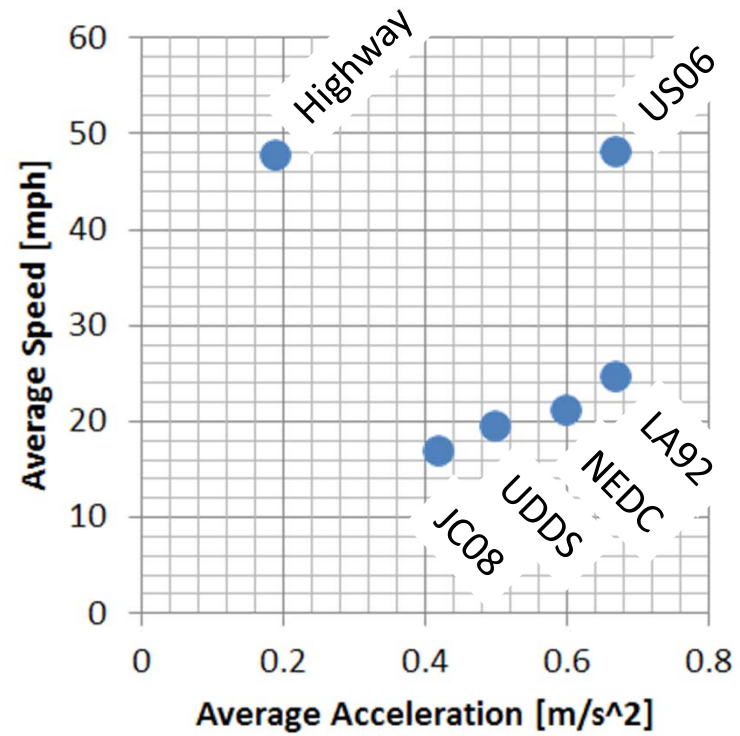
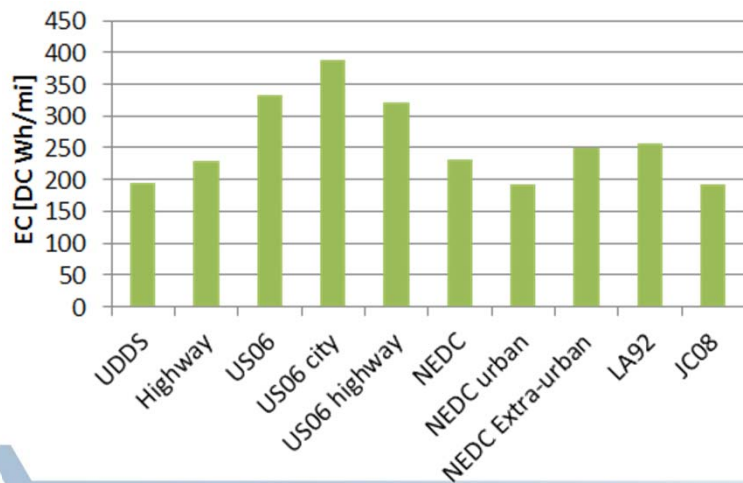
City	Highway	US06
Energy portion [%] with respect to Net DC battery energy		
4.4%	1.8%	1.2%
64.3%	15.0%	40.0%
-37.9%	-6.7%	-16.1%
46.9%	72.8%	60.5%
22.0%	17.1%	14.4%

AVTA Leaf Energy Consumption on different test cycles



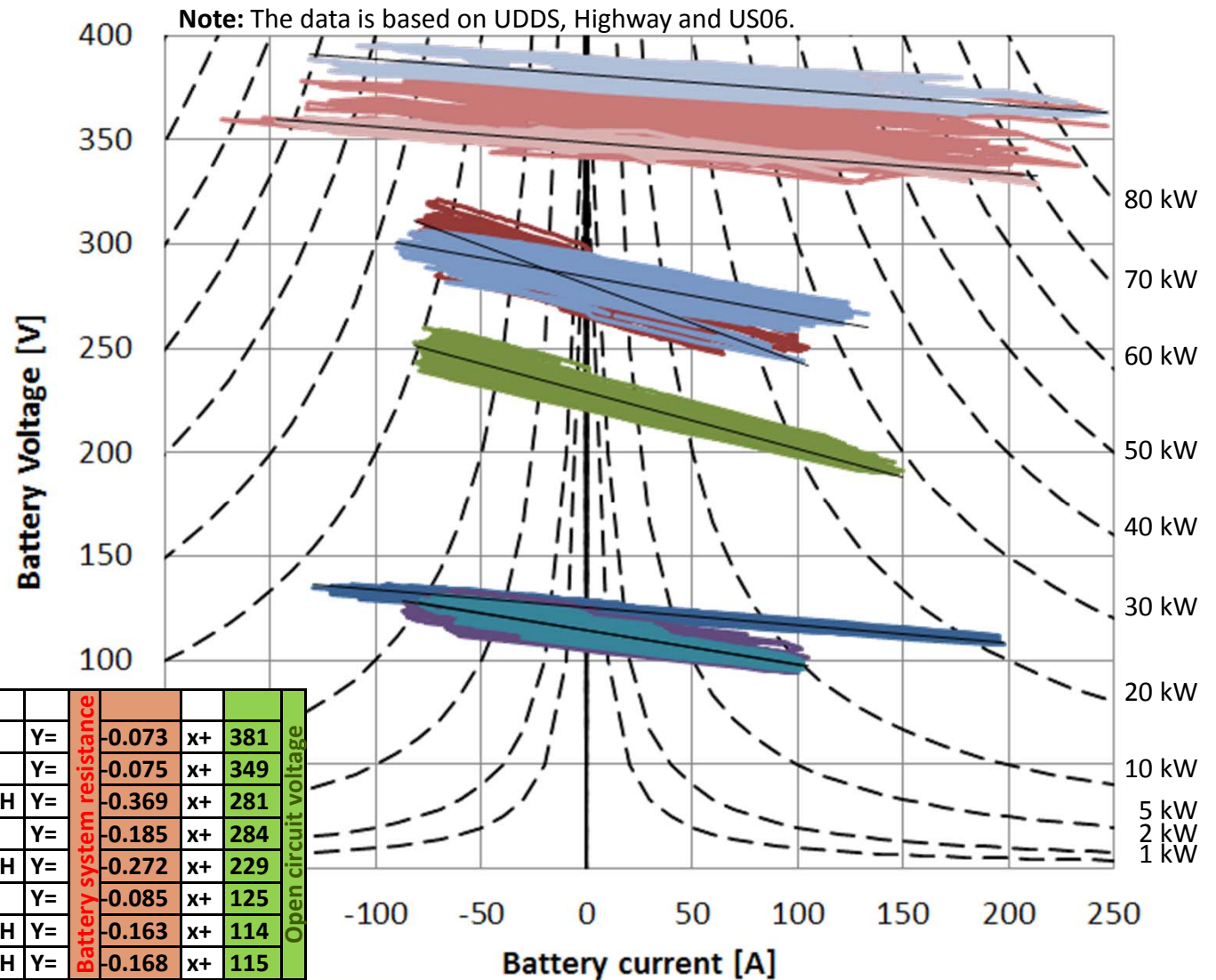
Test Note: these results are for single hot start tests on 2WD in 72F

Drive Cycle	Energy Consumption [DC Wh/mi]
UDDS	194.4
Highway	228.0
US06	333.0
US06 city	387.7
US06 highway	322.0
NEDC	230.4
NEDC urban	192.1
NEDC Extra-urban	249.2
LA92	257.1
JC08	191.3



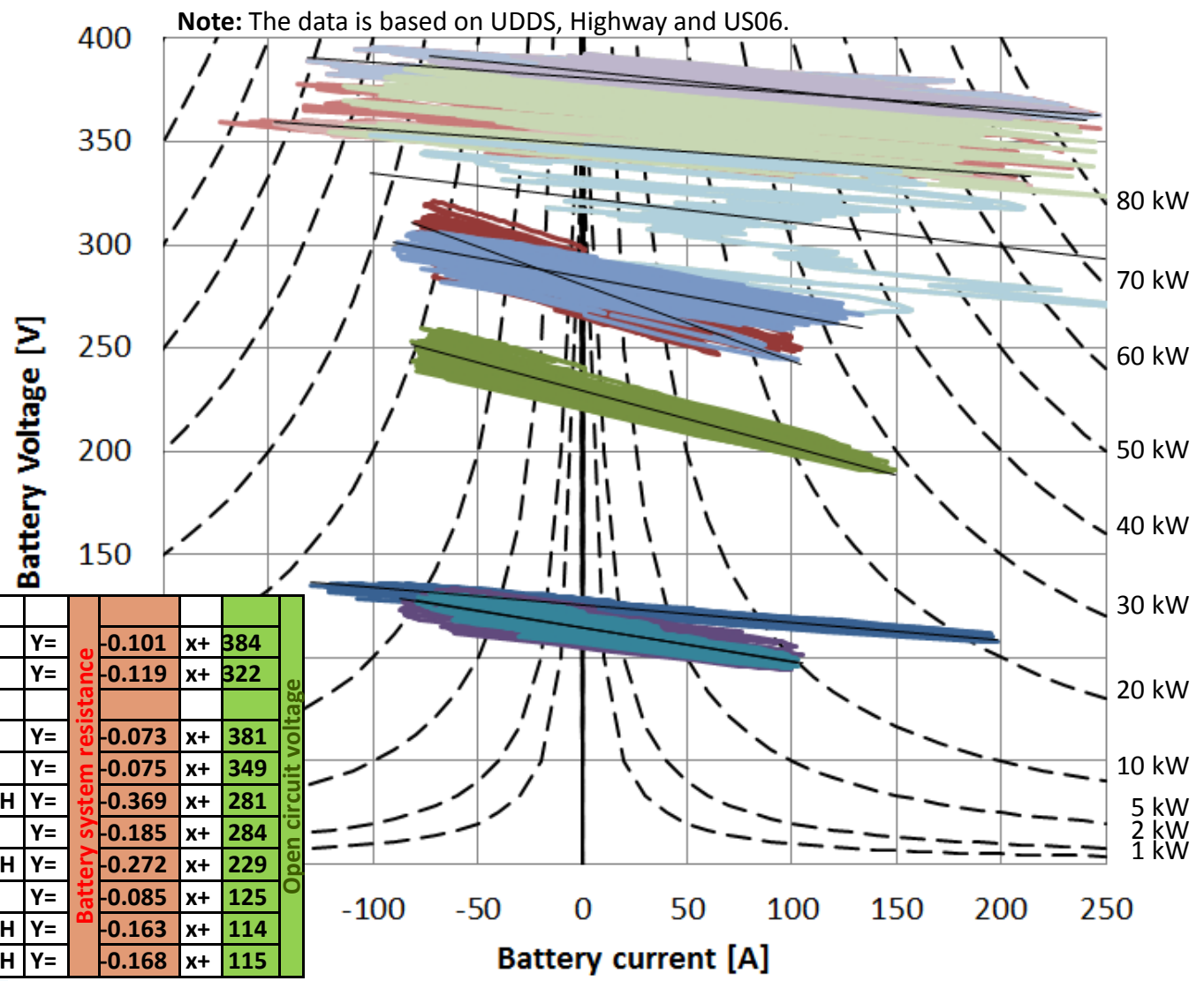
In-Situ Battery Performance Data before Leaf

- Quick review of past battery data



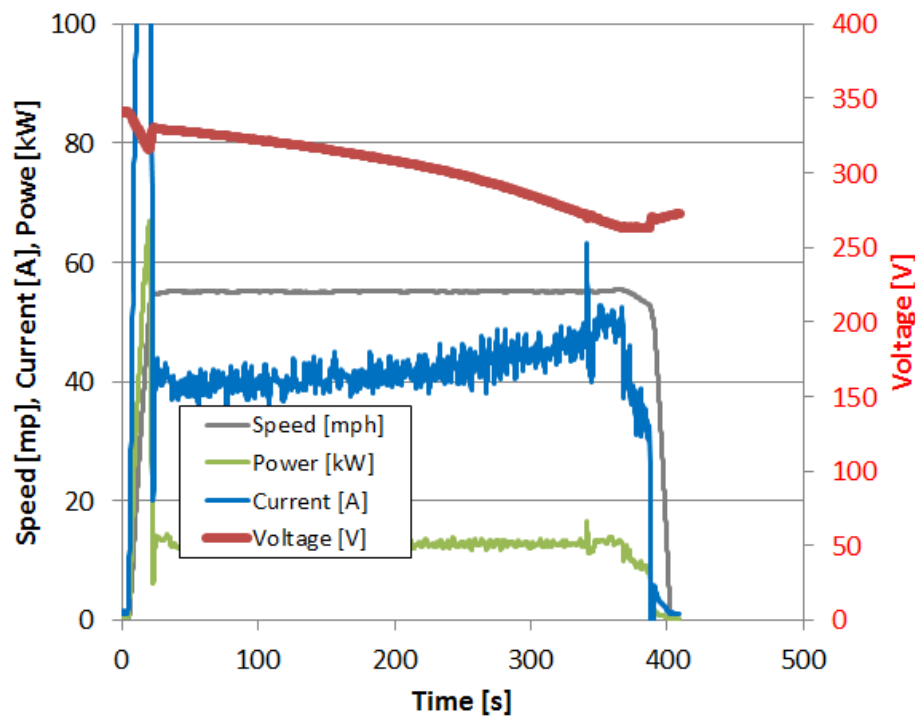
In-Situ Battery Performance Data with Leaf

- Lithium Ion has low system resistance
- The Leaf as a BEV discharges the battery which results in a large voltage swing
- The end of battery depletion shows in a sudden Voltage drop

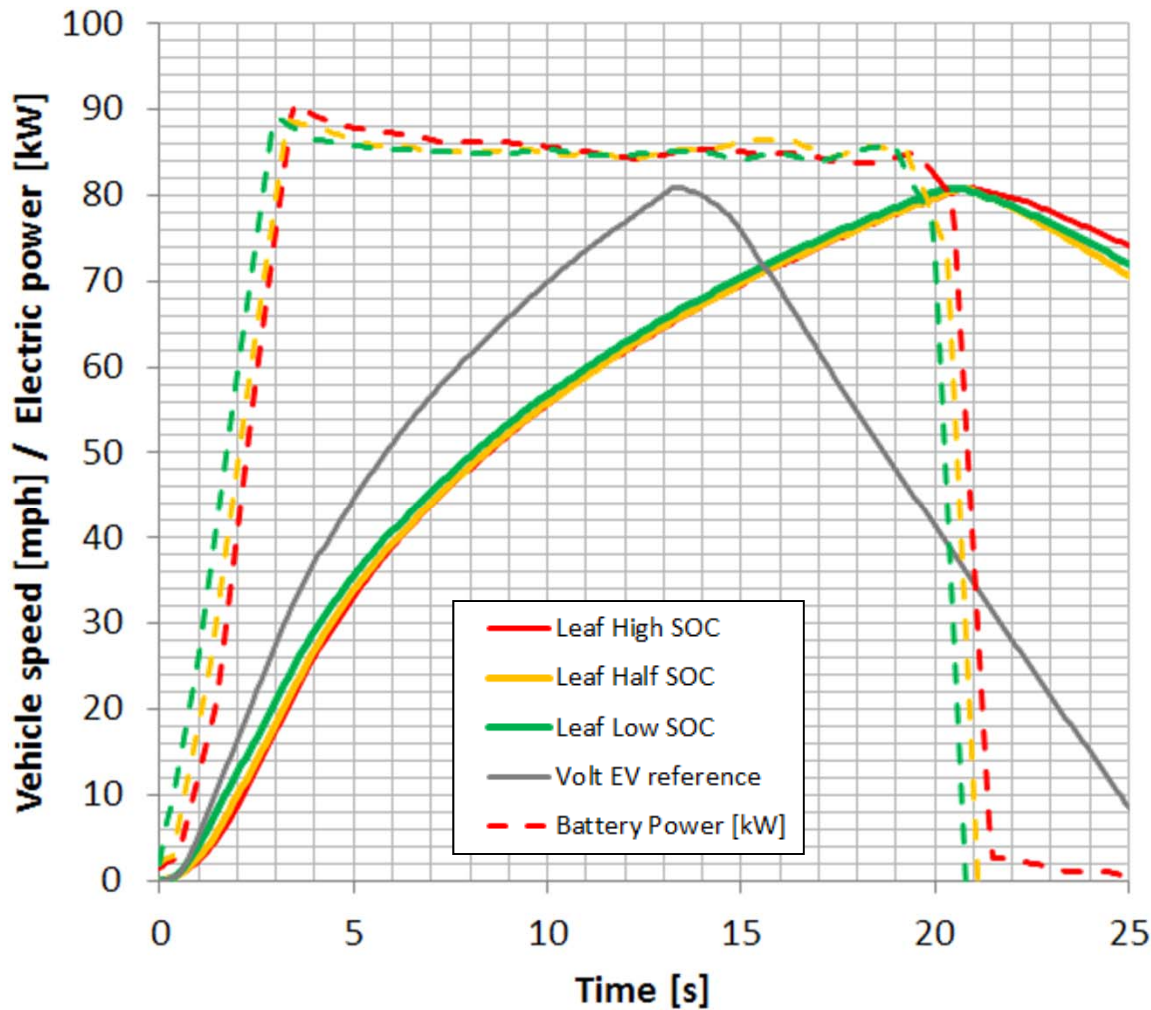


Drastic Voltage Drop at Battery Depletion

- When the vehicle reaches the end of the battery's capacity, the battery system voltage drops dramatically
- Two different Leafs, two different voltage cut-offs which could contribute to the battery capacity difference



No Performance Degradation at Different Battery States



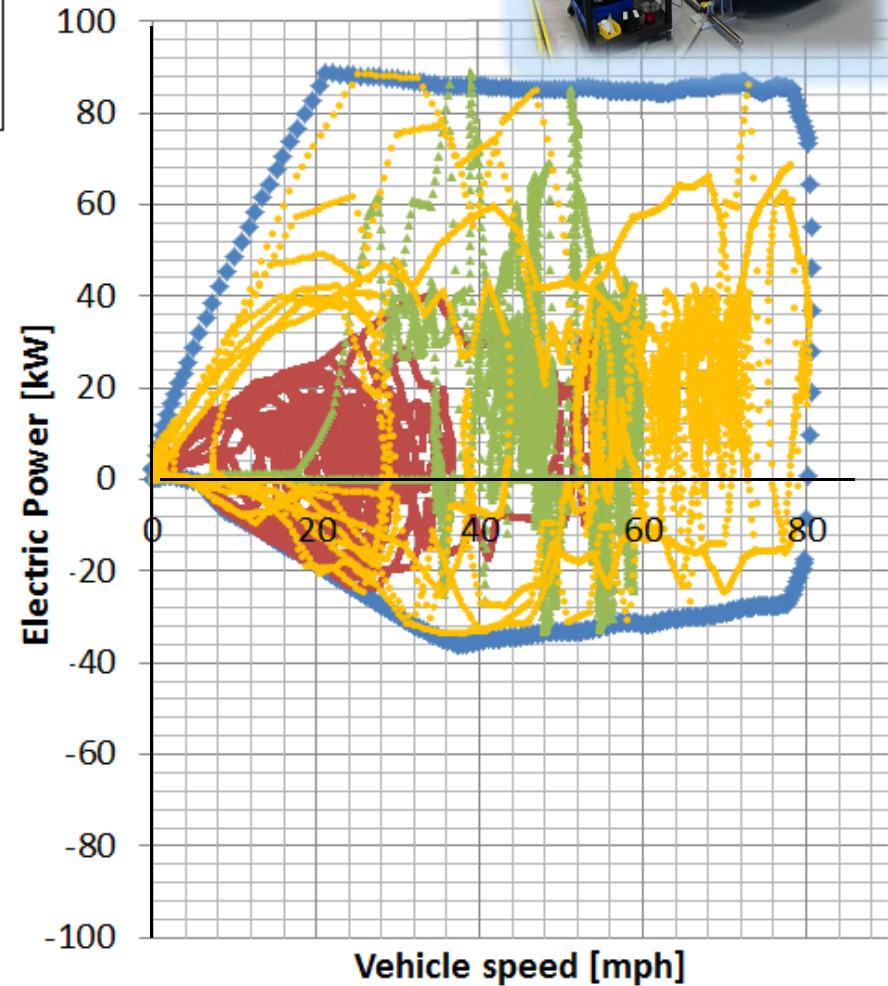
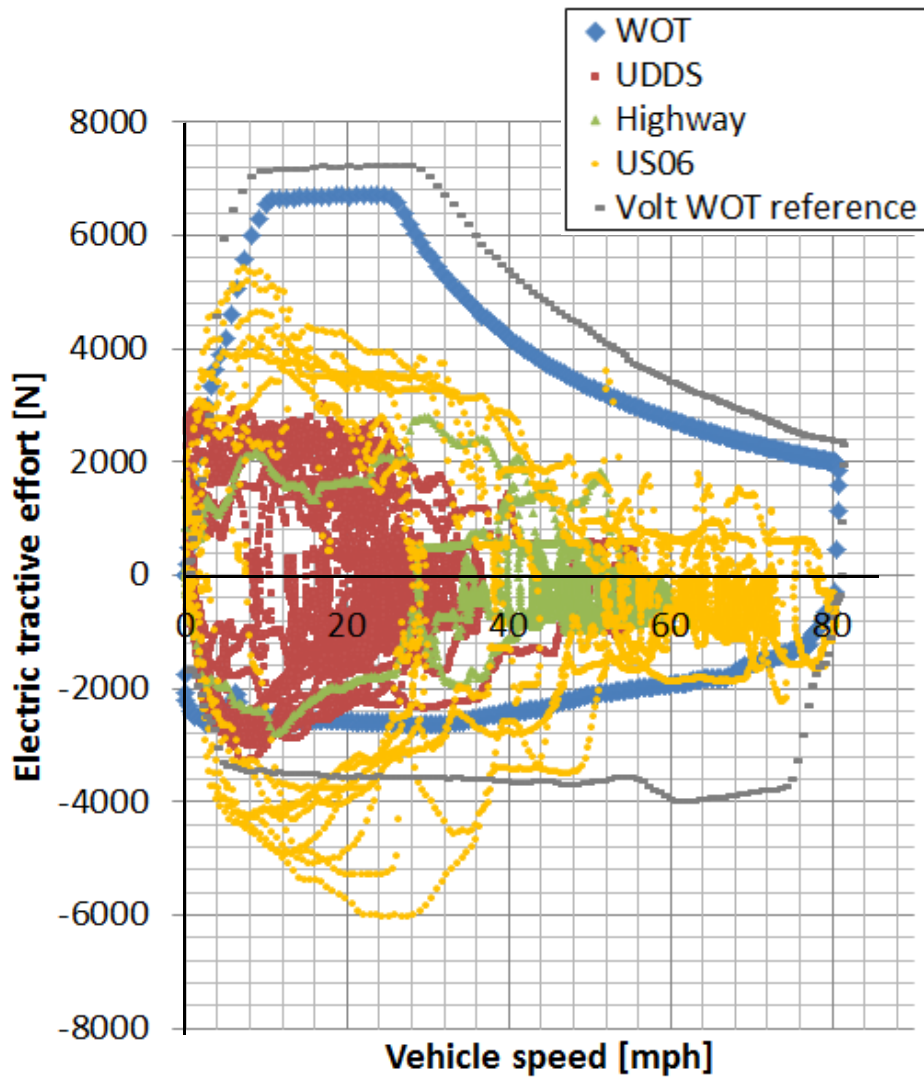
Note: Initial tip in was modulated because of tire slip on steel dyno roller

AVTA Leaf



Tractive Performance Envelop

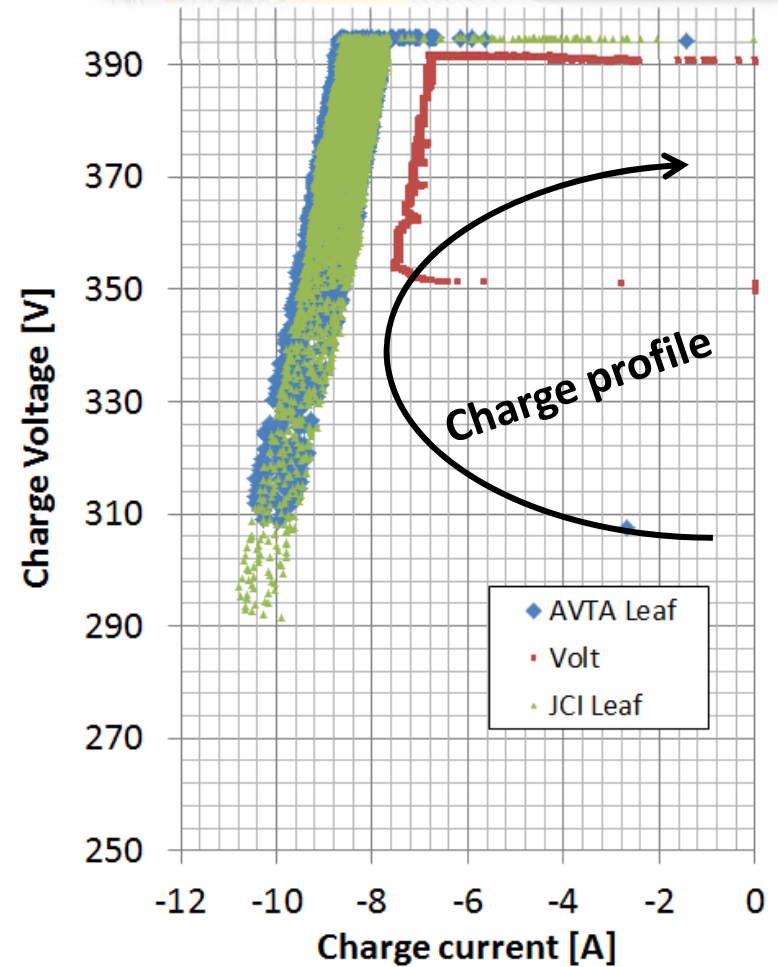
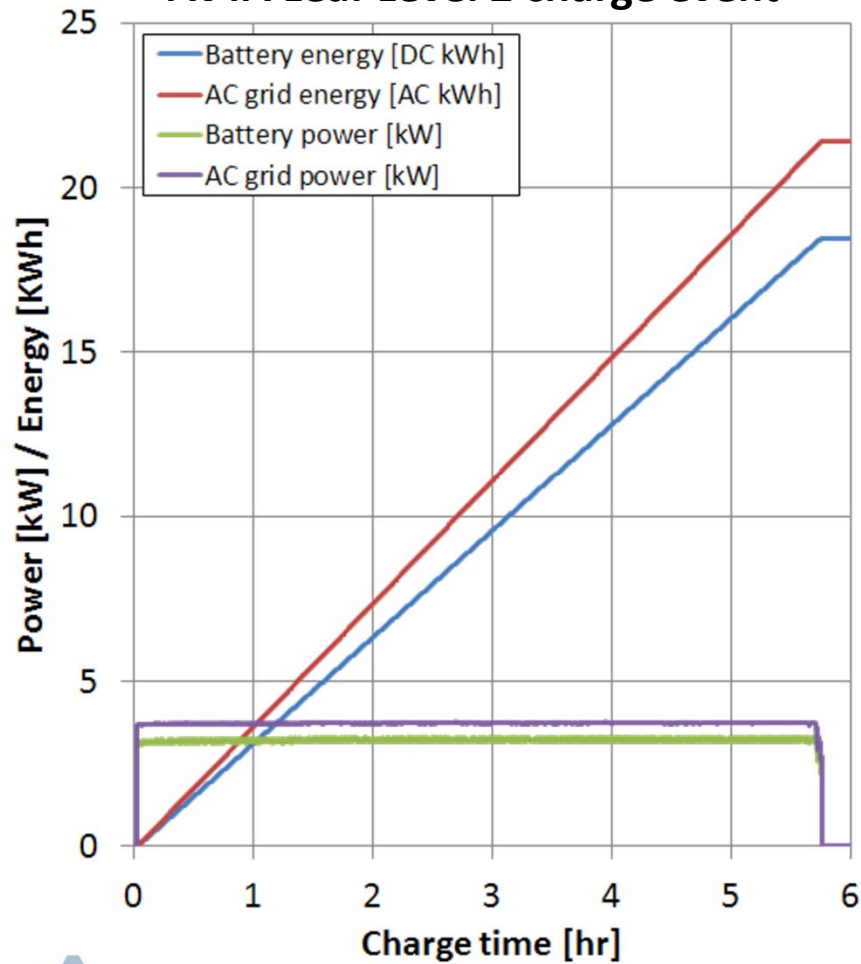
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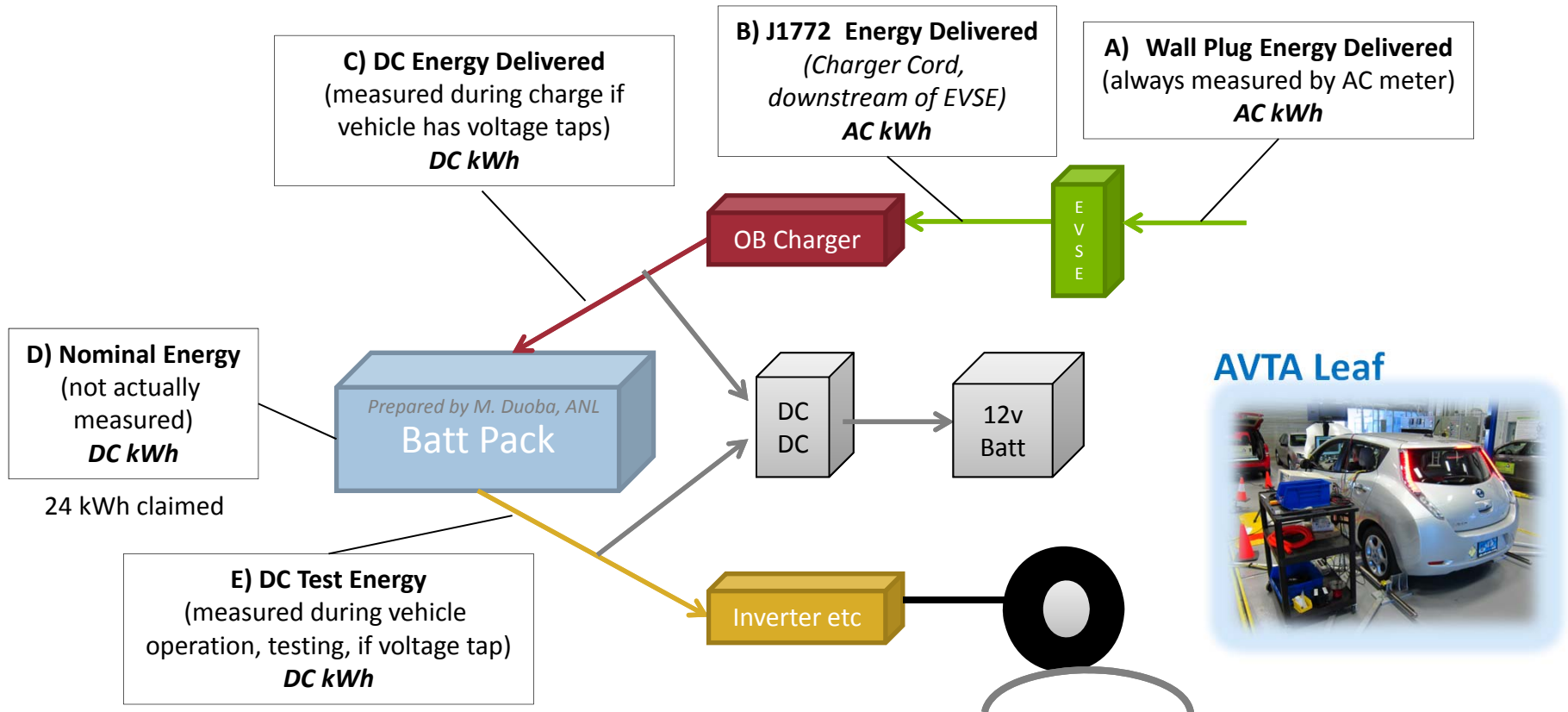
Battery Charge Profile at 72F

Charged through an 'AV Aeroviroment EVSE' and the energy limiter box set to 12hr.

AVTA Leaf Level 2 charge event



AVTA Leaf Charge Energy and Efficiency Analysis



Measurement point	Average value
A) Wall Plug energy	21.722 AC kWh
C) DC energy to pack	18.529 DC kWh
E) DC Test energy *	17.957 DC kWh

Analysis Note:
Values are based on 13 level 2 battery charge events from completely depleted to fully charged

Draft terms	Math	Value
Charger efficiency	C/B	N/A
Charger & EVSE efficiency	C/A	85.3%
Overall Trip Efficiency	E/A	82.7%
Battery efficiency	E/C	96.9%
Pack Utilization	E/D	74.8%

AVTA Leaf Accessory Load Characterization

Action	Net Power [W]	
Vehicle ON	280	
The power numbers below this row are in addition to the base 280W load		
Brakes	10	
Further detail on climate control power consumption is provided later		
AC ON max cool auto	Peak 2000	Settled 1800
Heater Cabin warm up	Pulse min 4000	Pulse max 6000
Maintaining cabin temperature	2000	4000
Front window defroster* (pulsing)	Pulse min 1420	Pulse max 3420
Rear window defroster	200	Tested at 20F
Panic brake	Peak 457	Settled 70
Running lights	10	
Full lights	60	
Full bright	190	

Note: Further heater and Air conditioning are presented in later slides

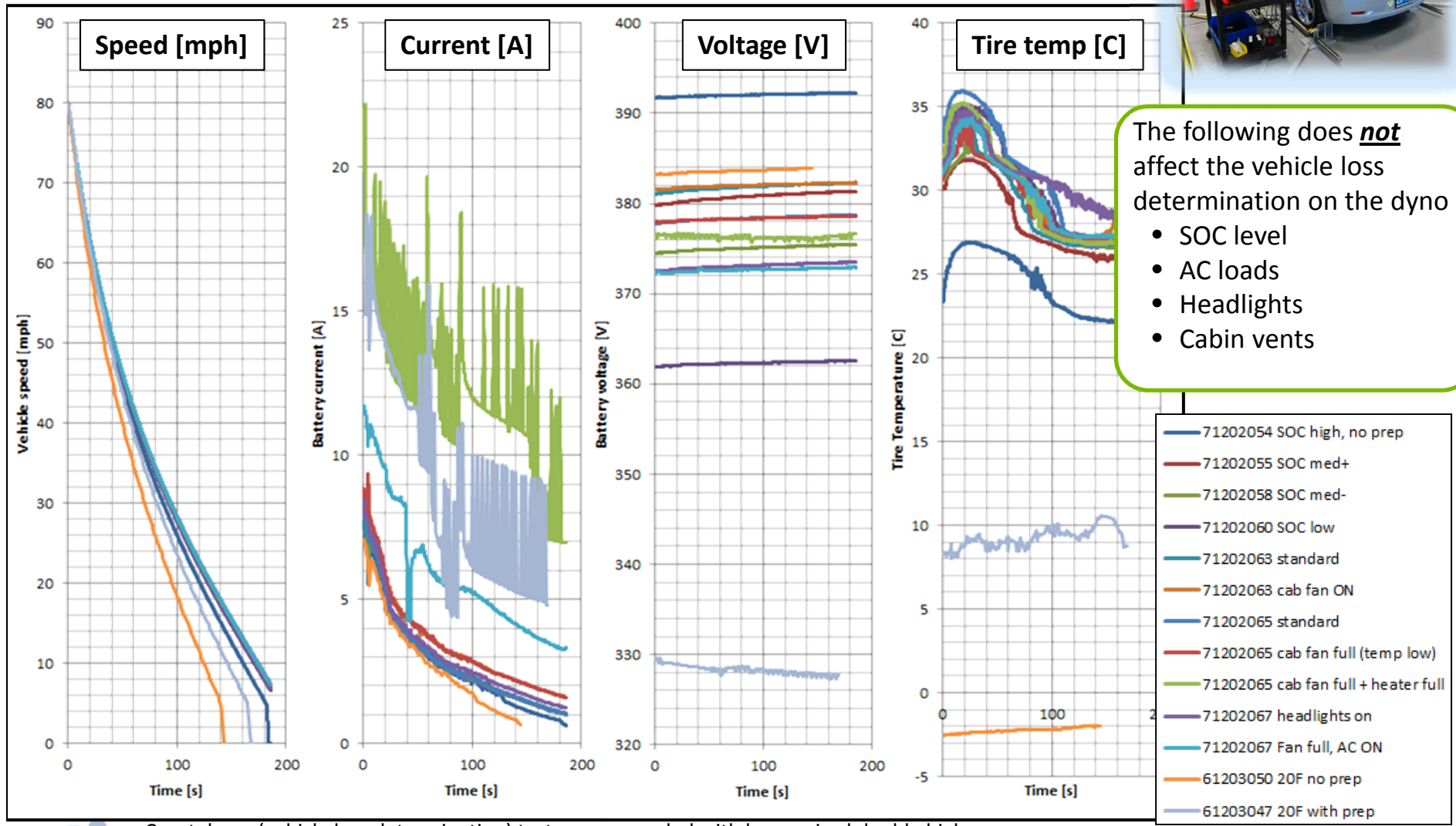
Powertrain efficiencies of BEVs are higher compared to the engine powered counterparts, therefore the accessory loads are significant for some drive styles.

Cycle	Avg net cycle power [W]
UDDS	3800
Highway	10800
US06	16000





BEV Coast Down Study Conclusion: Only the Thermal State of the Vehicle Matters



The following does ***not*** affect the vehicle loss determination on the dyno

- SOC level
- AC loads
- Headlights
- Cabin vents

Coast down (vehicle loss determination) tests was preceded with by required double highway warm ups



The APRF's New Test Dimension: Temperature!

Thanks for DOE funds!



Hot testing

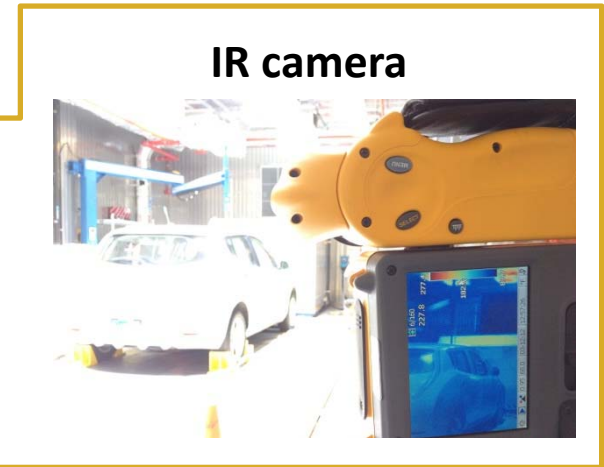
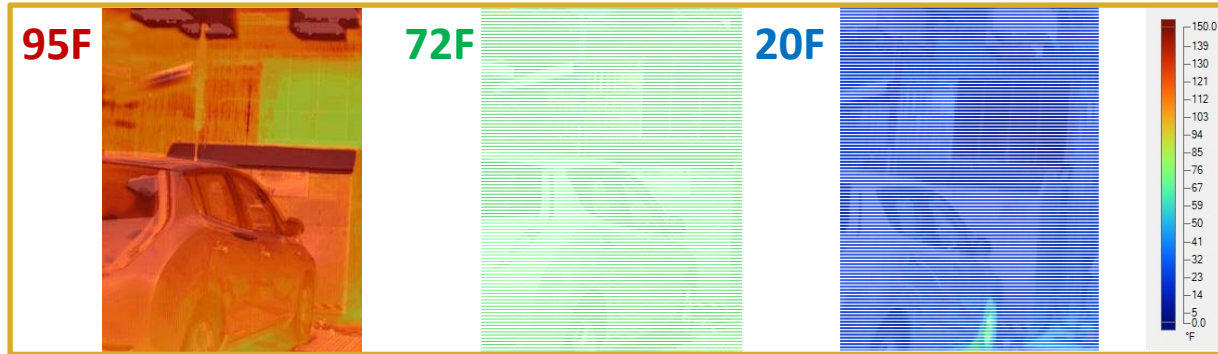
Cold testing

U.S. DOE's Advanced Powertrain Research Facility is Now '5 Cycle' Capable!

- Test cell features
 - ✓ 4WD chassis dyno
 - ✓ Data driven DAQ
 - ✓ Emissions capable
 - ✓ Power analyzers
 - ✓ Specialized instrumentation
 - ✓ Speed match fan
- Thermal test status
 - ✓ 20F for Cold tests
 - ✓ 72F for ambient tests
 - ✓ 95F and solar lamps for air conditioning
 - ✓ *0F achieved during commissioning*

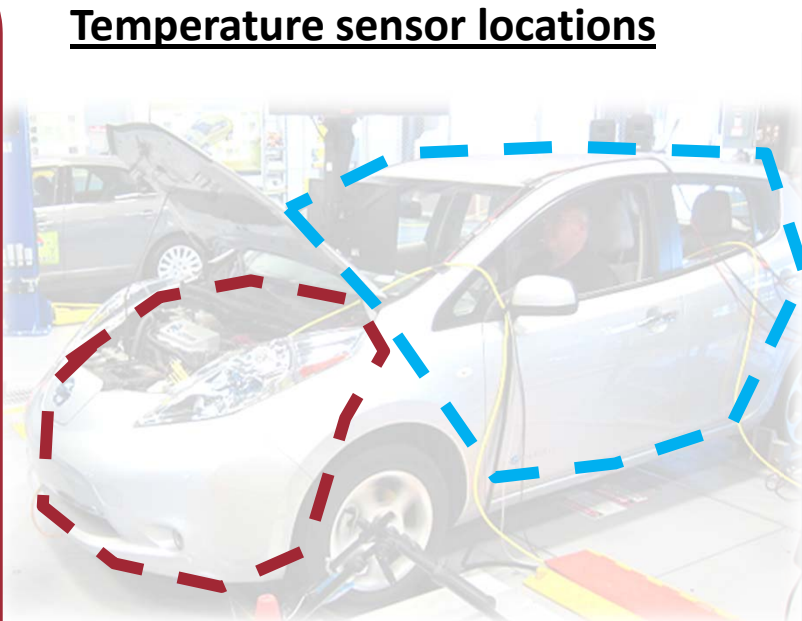


Instrumentation - Temperatures



Under hood

- Main radiator fin
- Vehicle grill
- Motor inverter cooling hose (with insulation)
- Heater core hose (with insulation)

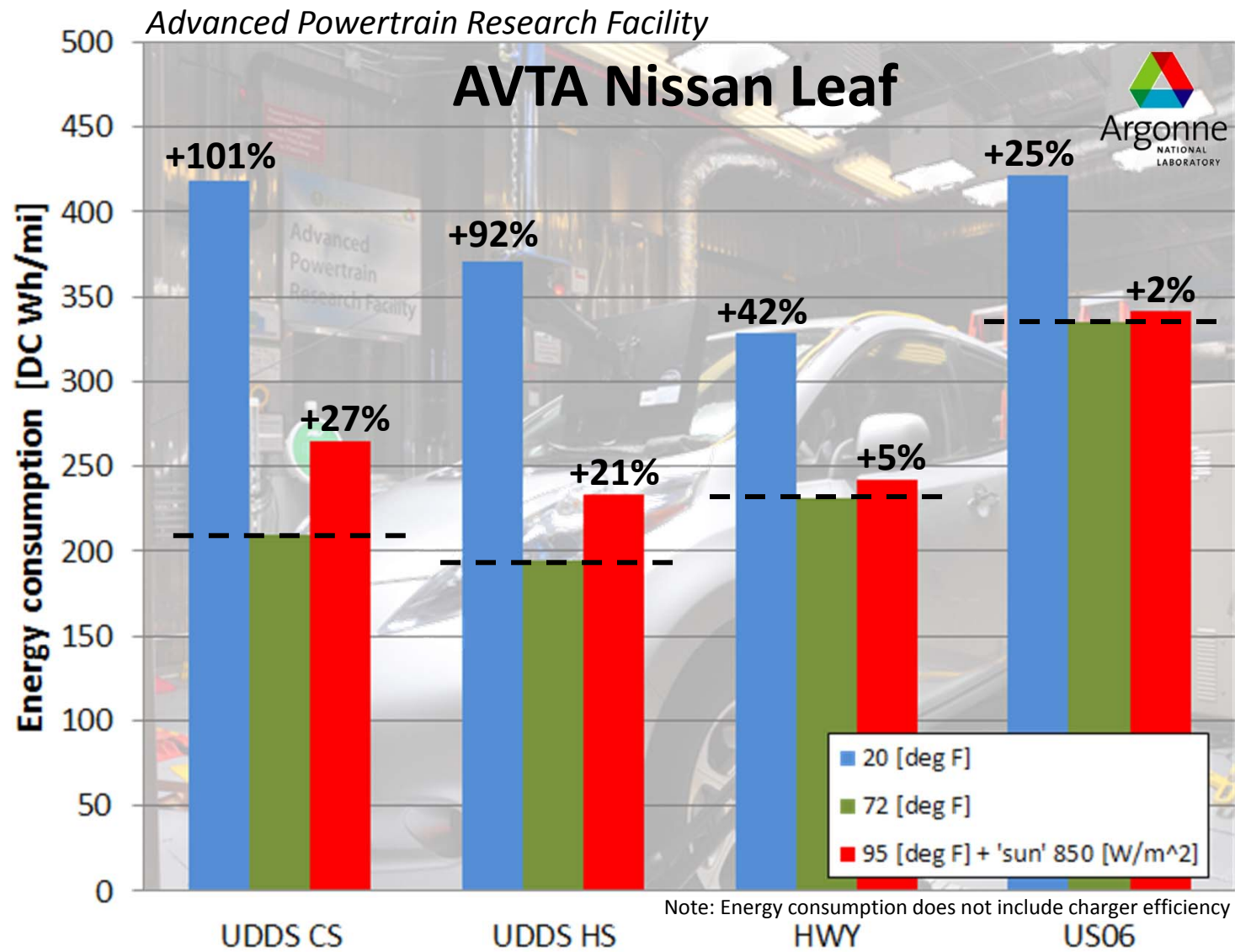


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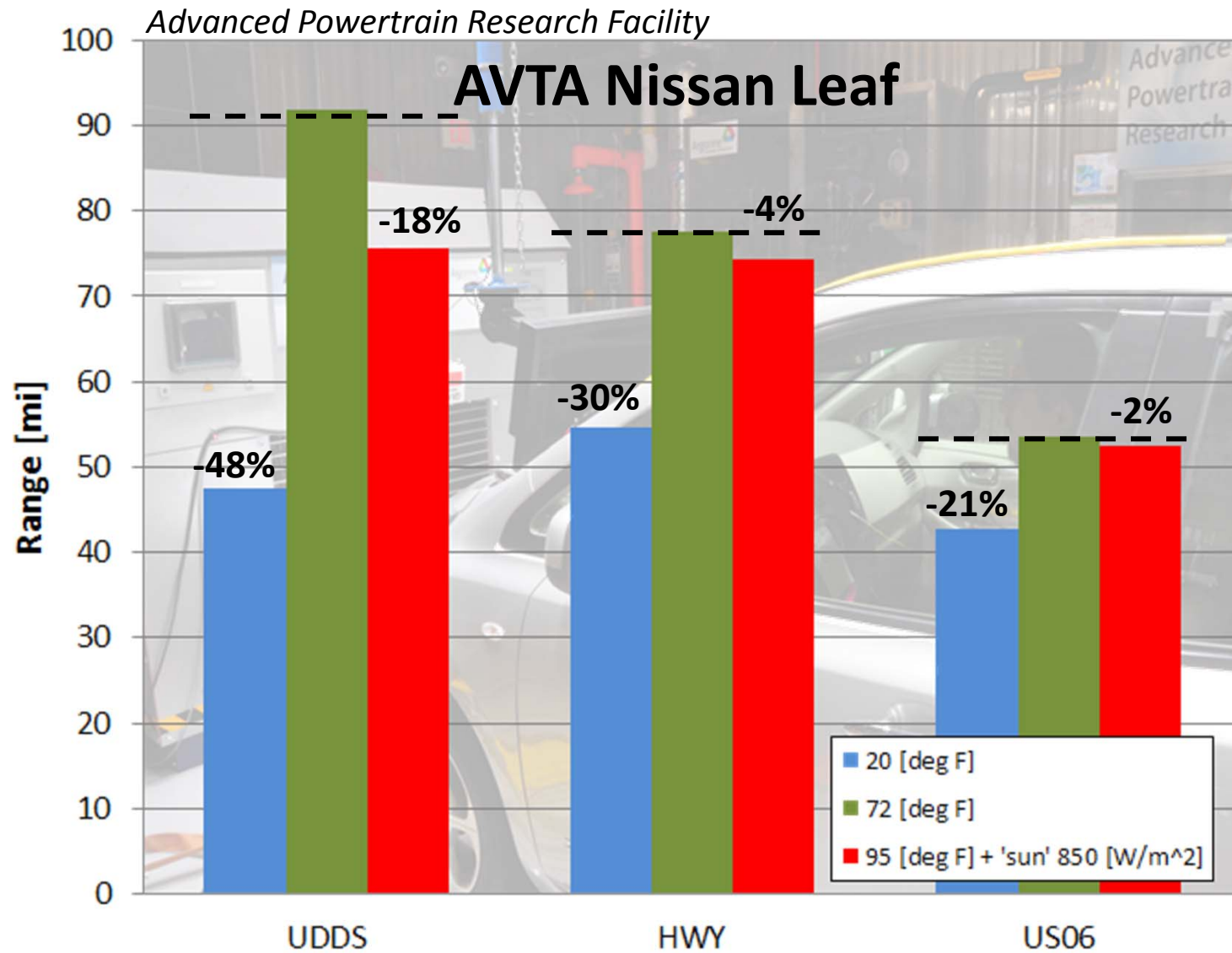
Cabin

- Passenger head rest (cabin)
- Main cabin air vent
- Battery case (with insulation)

Impact of Temperature on Energy Consumption



Impact of Temperature on Range

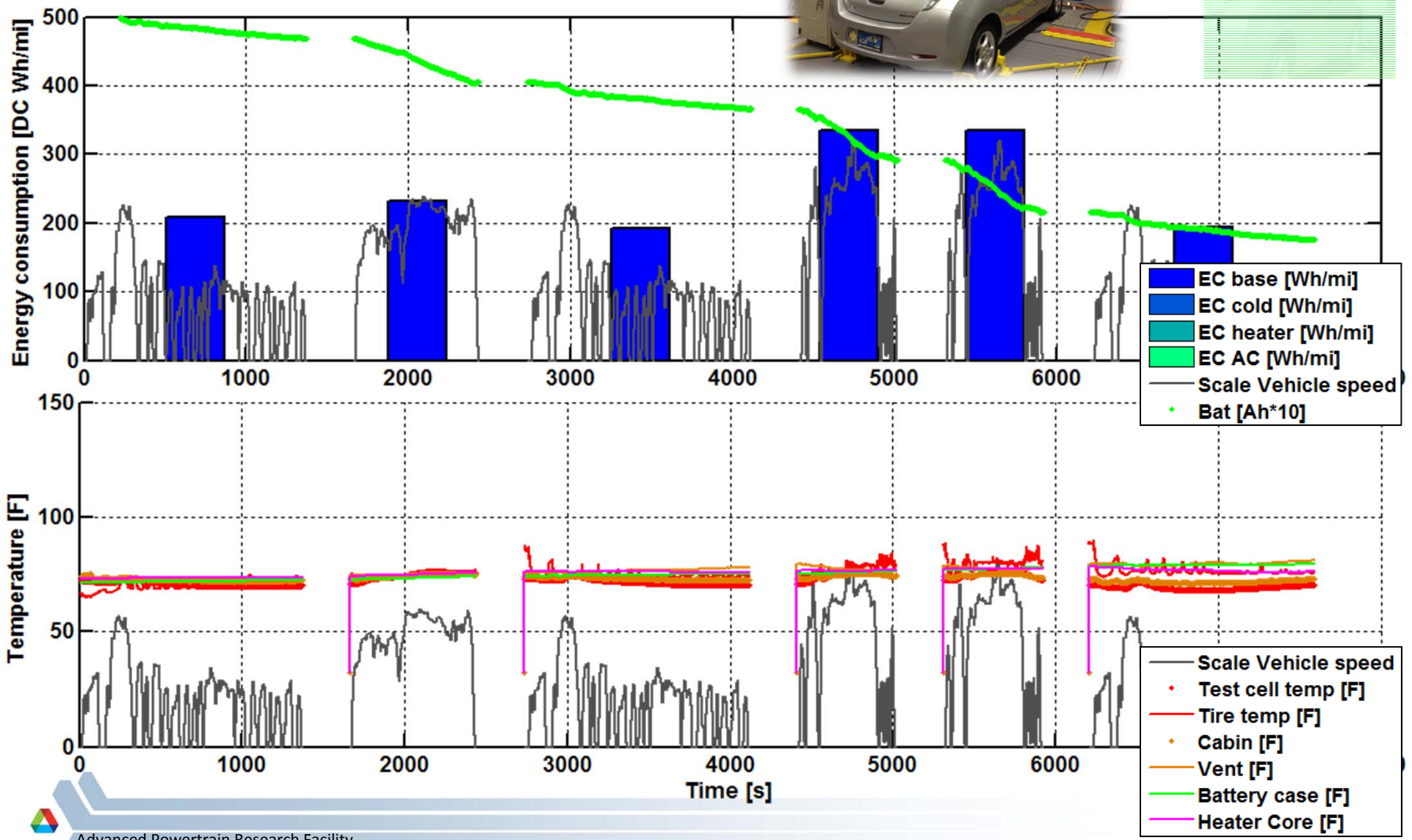


72F Baseline test

Vehicle was soaked at the test temperature for 12 hours
 Hood closed, Test cell fan in vehicle speed match,
 Windows down, Climate control OFF

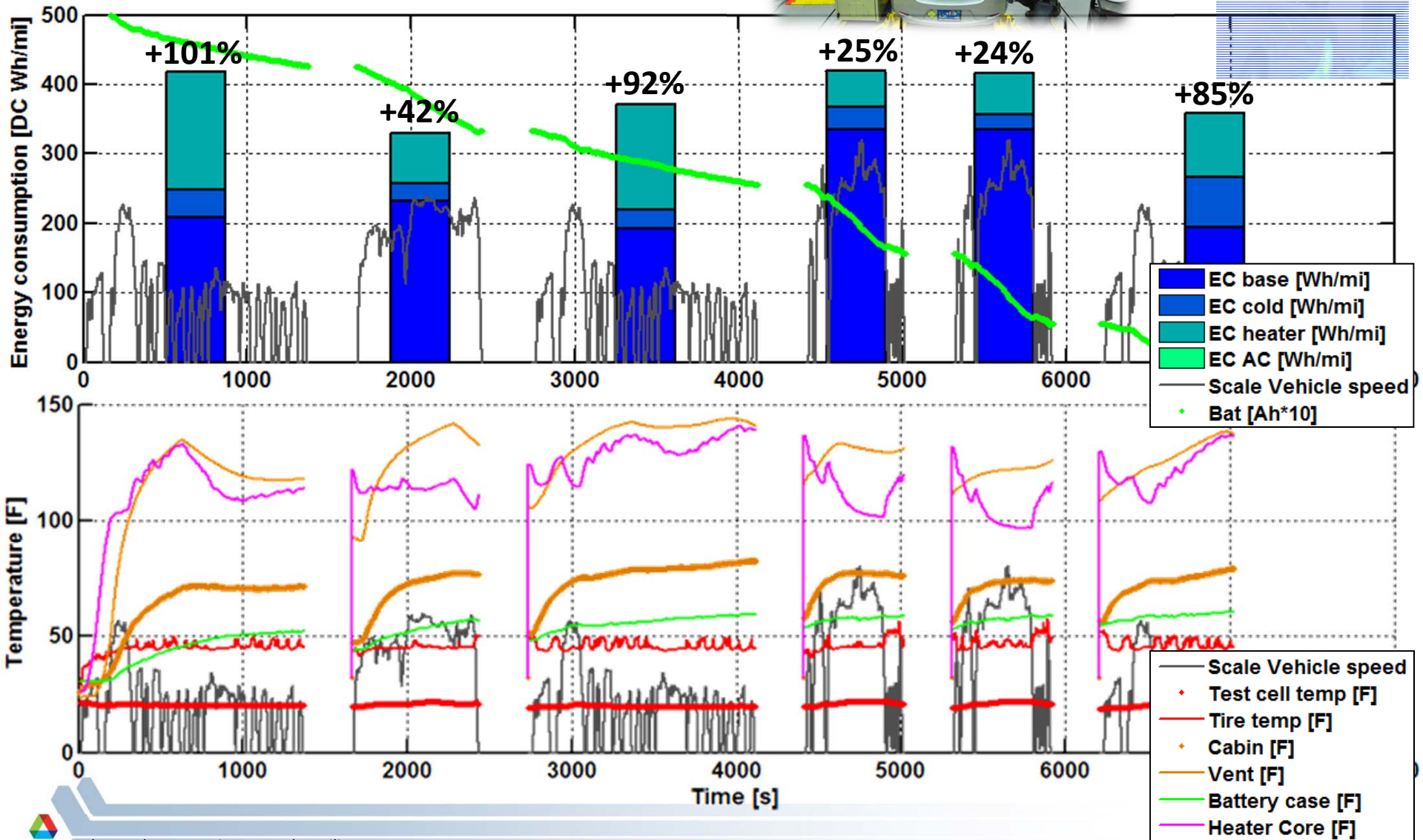


72F



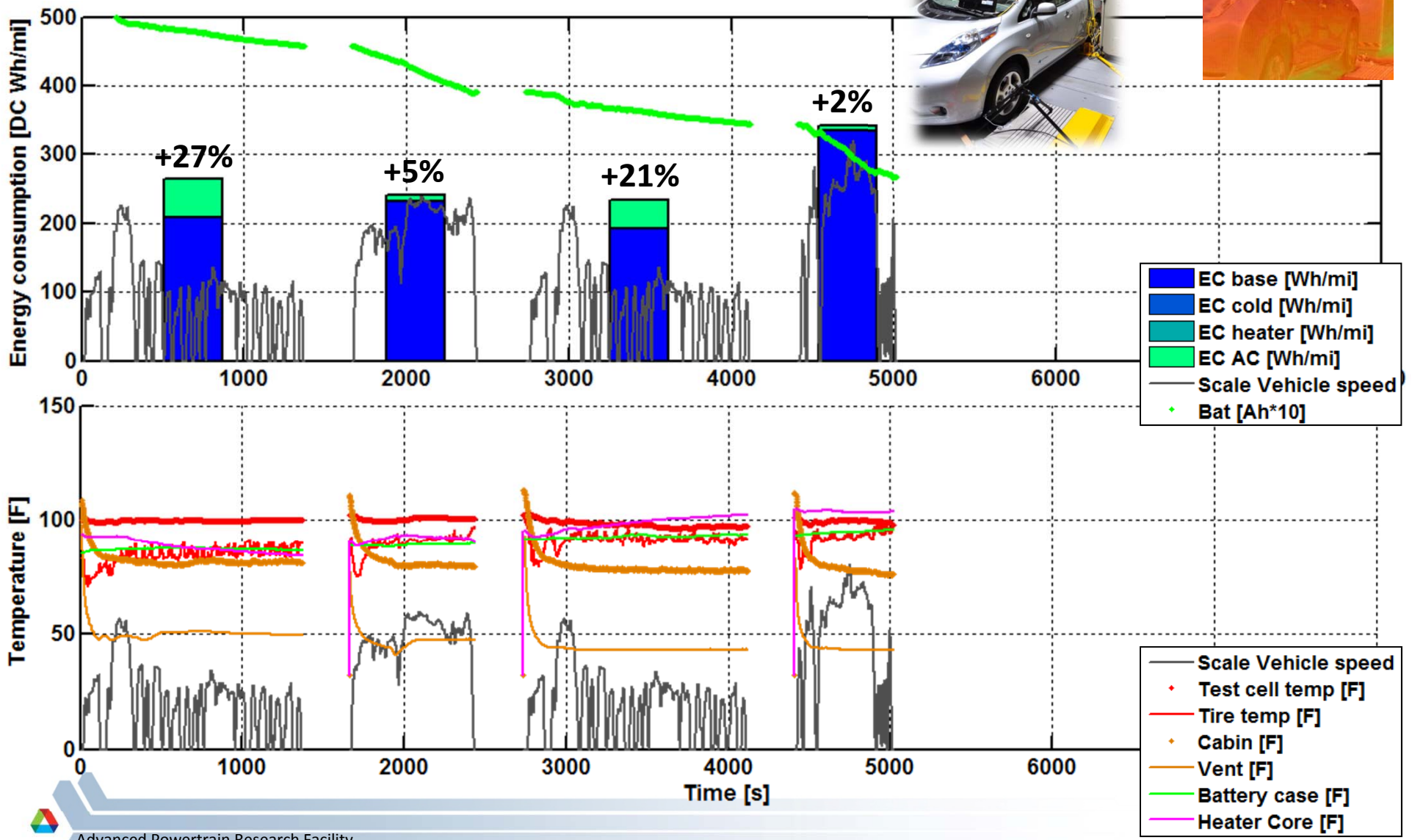
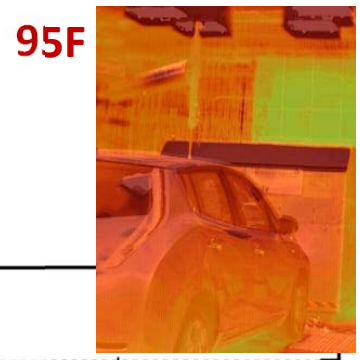
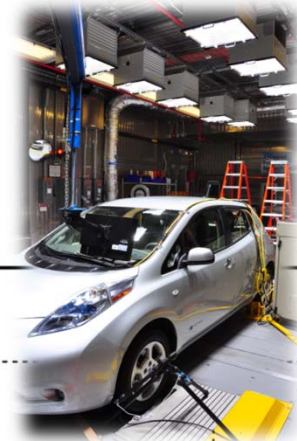
20F Heater test

Vehicle was soaked at the test temperature for 12 hours
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 Windows up, Climate control set to '72F auto mode' (Heater ON)



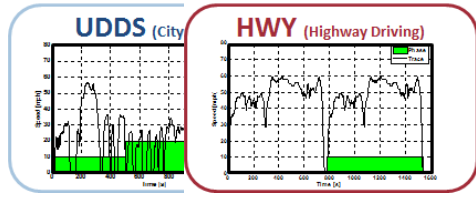
95F AC test with solar load

Vehicle was soaked at the test temperature for 12 hours
 Hood closed, Test cell fan in vehicle speed match, 853W/m² sun emulation,
 Windows up, Climate control set to '72F auto mode' (AC ON)



Energy flow at a Range of Test Temperatures in a Battery Electric Vehicle

Battery energy
(Net DC battery energy used to completed the drive cycle)



Accessory loads
(Vehicle Climate control set to 72F auto)

Inertia energy to Wheel
(Positive power integrated)

Inertia energy to Battery
(Regenerative braking recovered)

Road load energy to Wheel
(Aerodynamic drag and rolling resistance)

Powertrain losses

City			Highway		
Energy portion [kWh] with respect to Net DC battery energy					
Ambient temperature			Ambient temperature		
20F	72F	95F	20F	72F	95F
2.737	1.436	1.716	3.346	2.353	2.455
1.365	0.064	0.345	1.036	0.042	0.145
0.928	0.928	0.928	0.354	0.354	0.354
-0.544	-0.544	-0.544	-0.159	-0.159	-0.159
0.673	0.673	0.673	1.714	1.714	1.714
0.316	0.316	0.316	0.402	0.402	0.402

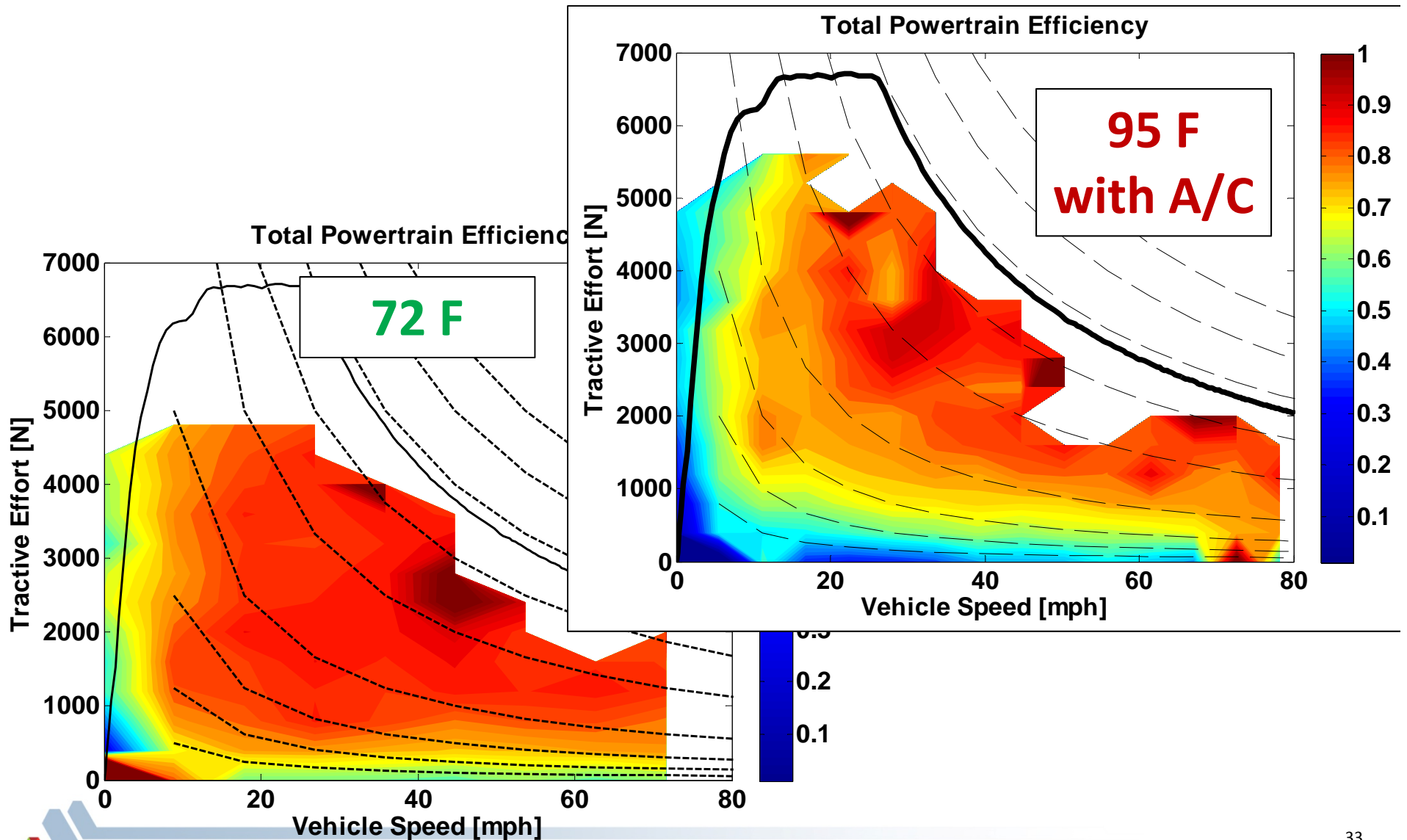
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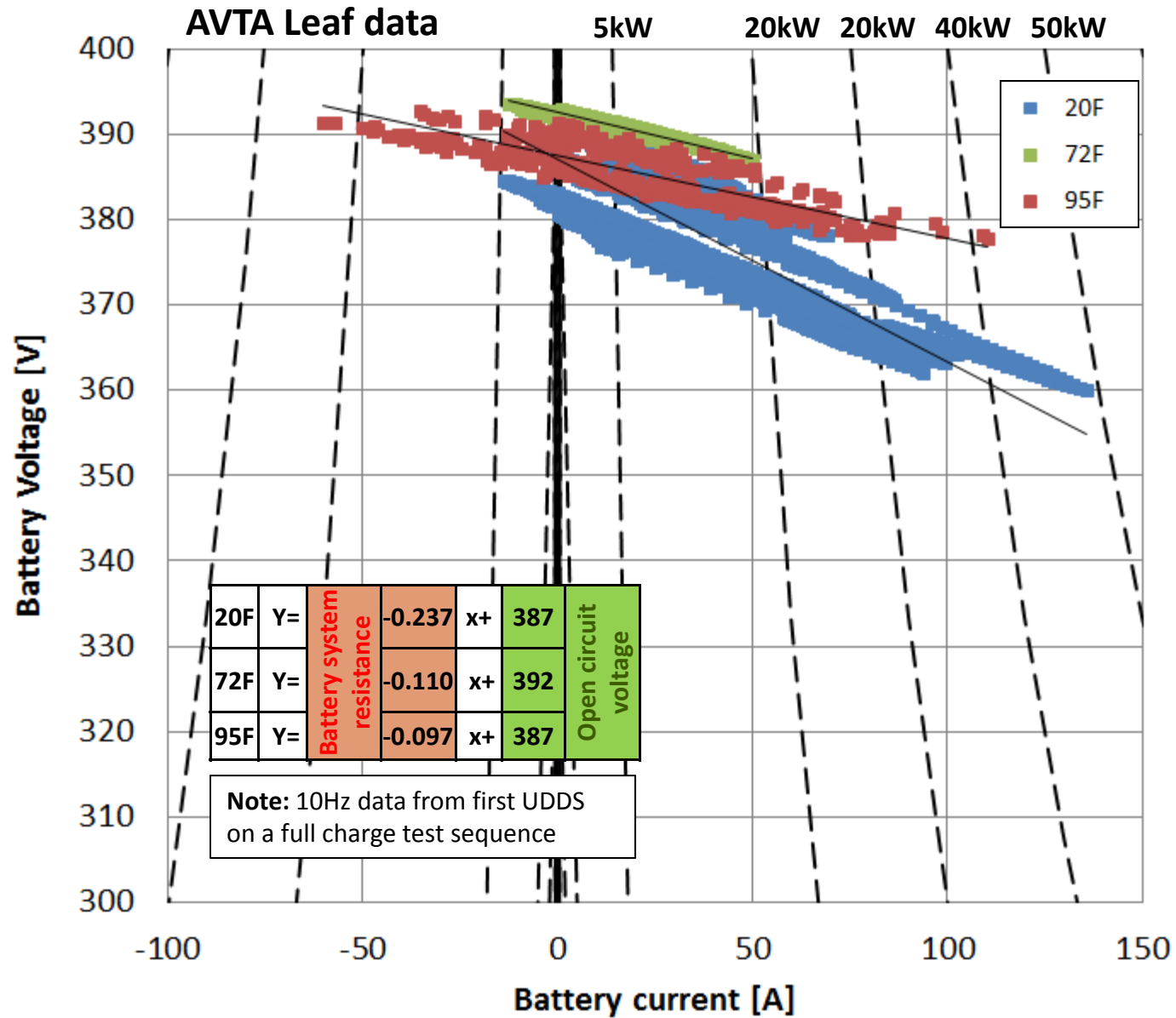
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Effective powertrain efficiency impacted by temperature effects and climate control usage

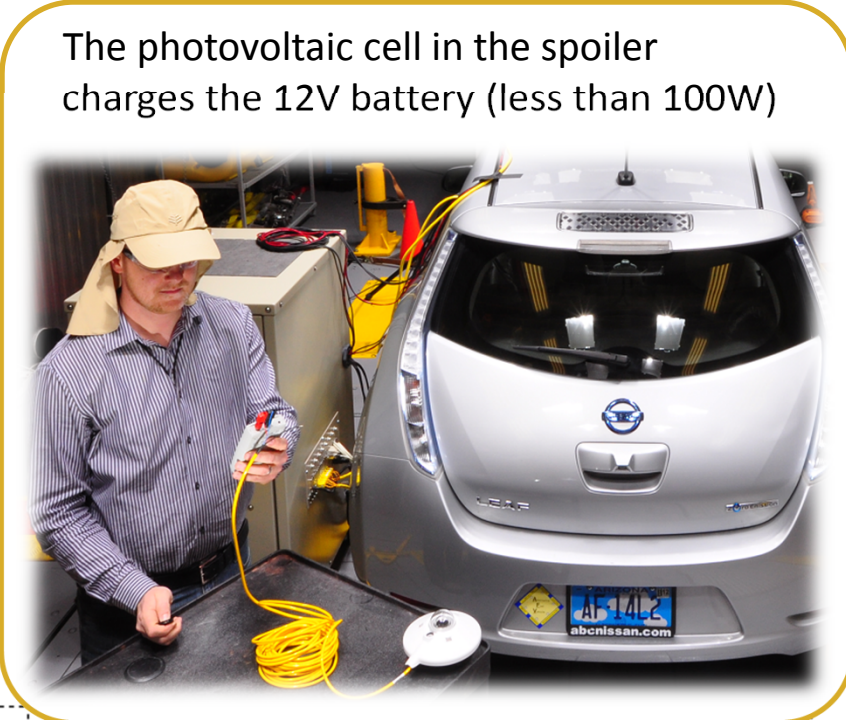


Battery Characteristics are Temperature Dependent



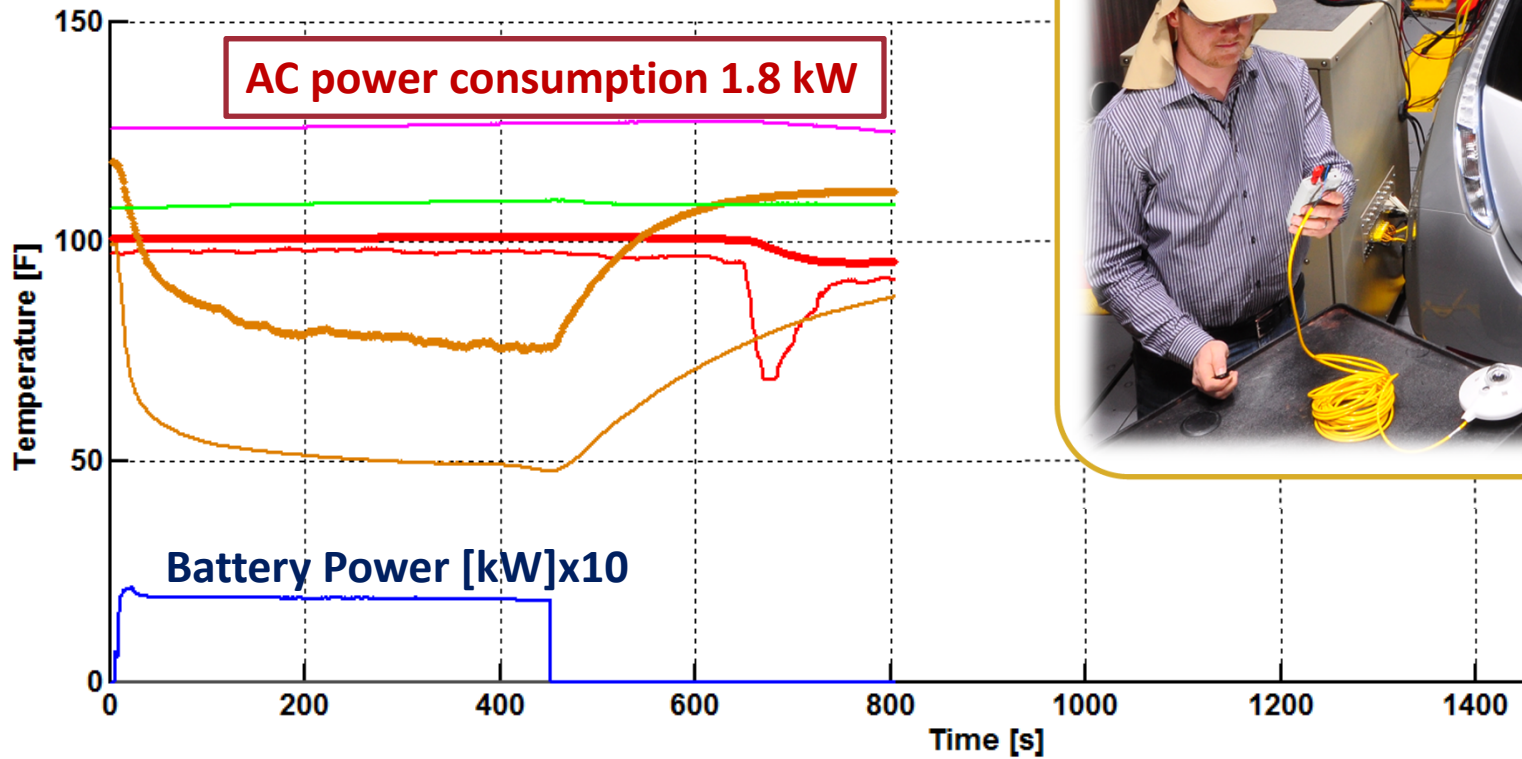
Air Conditioning Pull Down Test at 95F with 853 W/m² of Solar emulation

The vehicle was stopped during the entire test to isolate climate control system



The photovoltaic cell in the spoiler charges the 12V battery (less than 100W)

Hood closed, Test cell fan OFF, 850W/m² sun emulation, Windows up, Climate control set to '72F auto mode' (AC ON)



- Scale Vehicle speed
- ♦ Test cell temp [F]
- Tire temp [F]
- ♦ Cabin [F]
- Vent [F]
- Battery case [F]
- Heater Core [F]

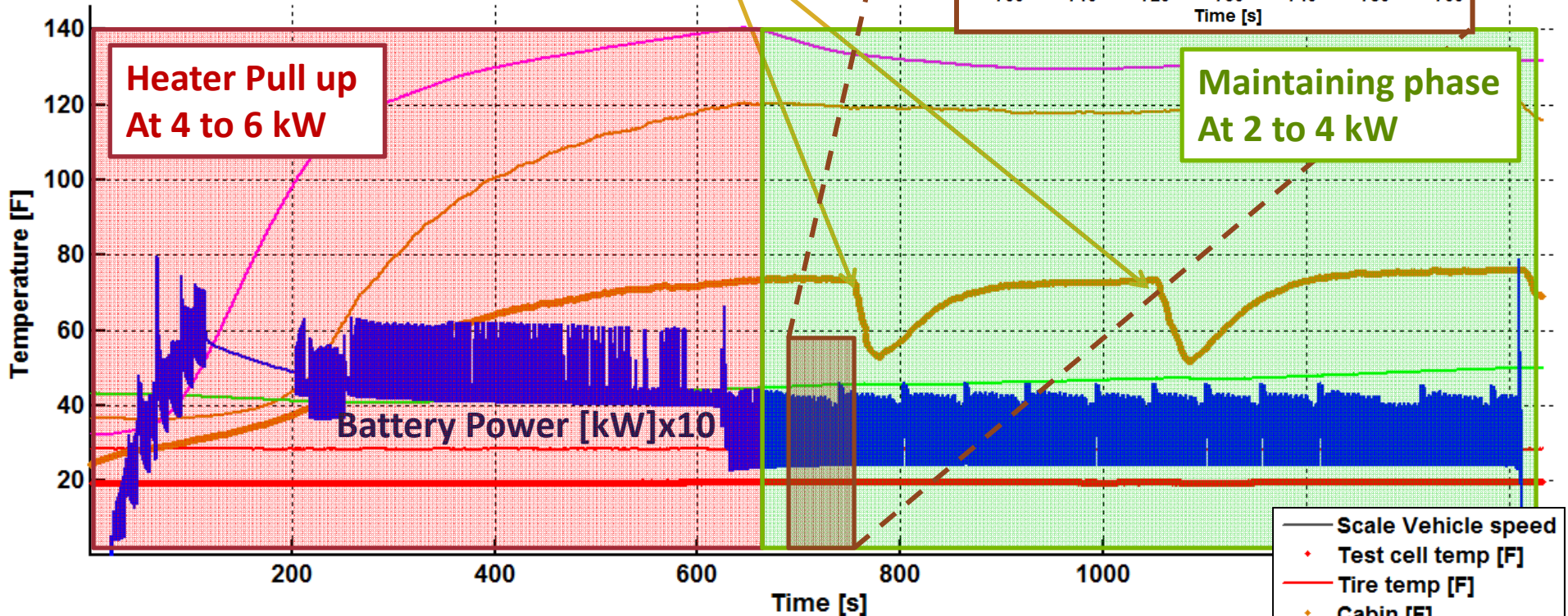
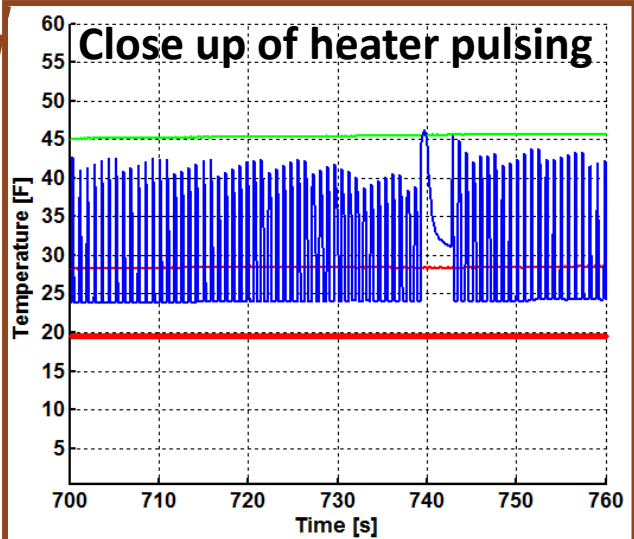
Vehicle was soaked for only 30 min at 95 with 850 W/m²

Heater Pull Up Test in 20F

The vehicle was stopped during the entire test to isolate climate control system

Door were open to simulate someone leaving the vehicle (like a taxi dropping of the fare)

Hood closed, Test cell fan OFF, Windows up, Climate control set to '72F auto mode' (Heater ON)

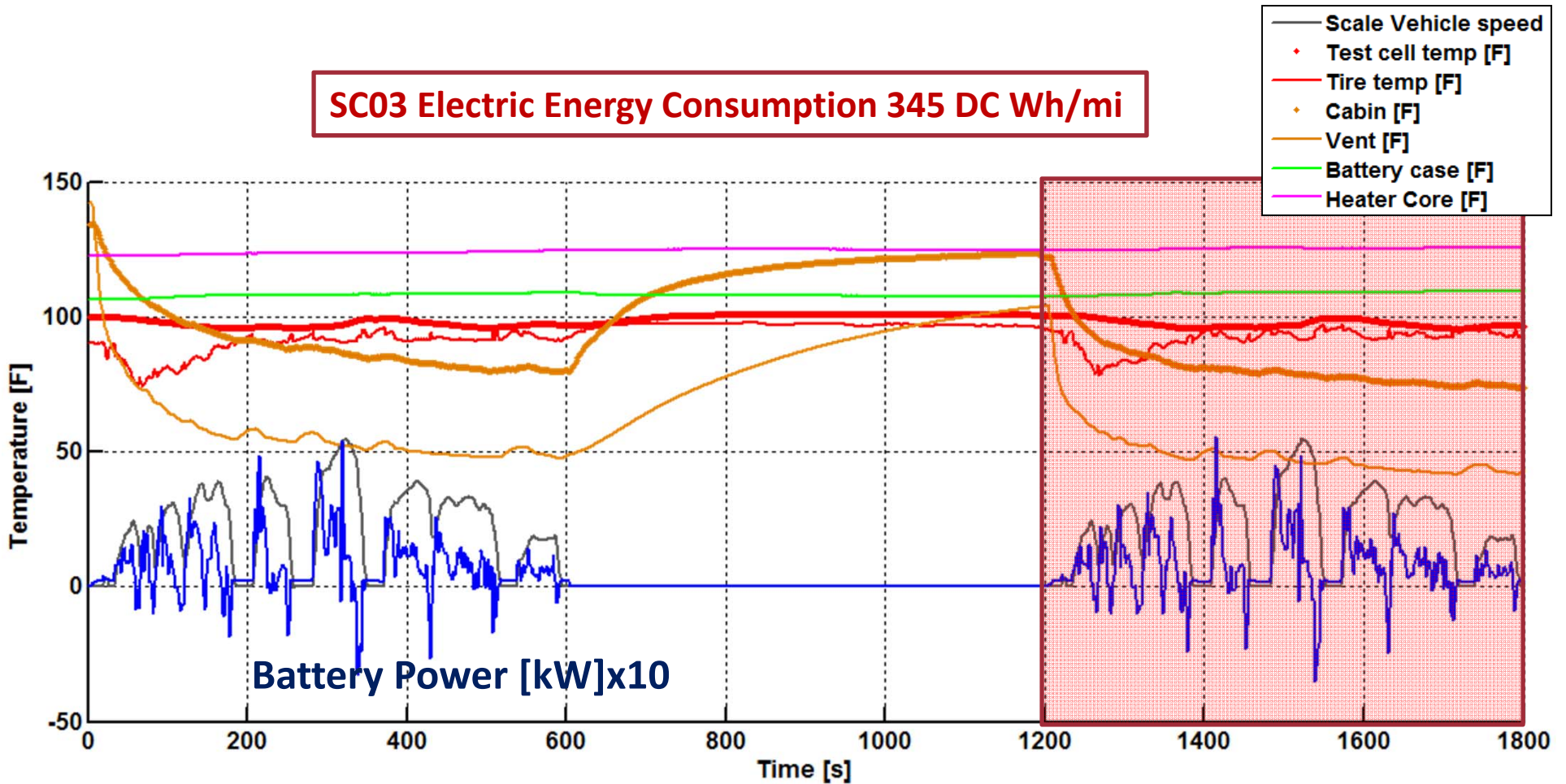


- Scale Vehicle speed
- Test cell temp [F]
- Tire temp [F]
- Cabin [F]
- Vent [F]
- Battery case [F]
- Heater Core [F]

Vehicle was force cooled for 4 hours

SC03 test at 95F with 853 W/m²

SC03 Electric Energy Consumption 345 DC Wh/mi

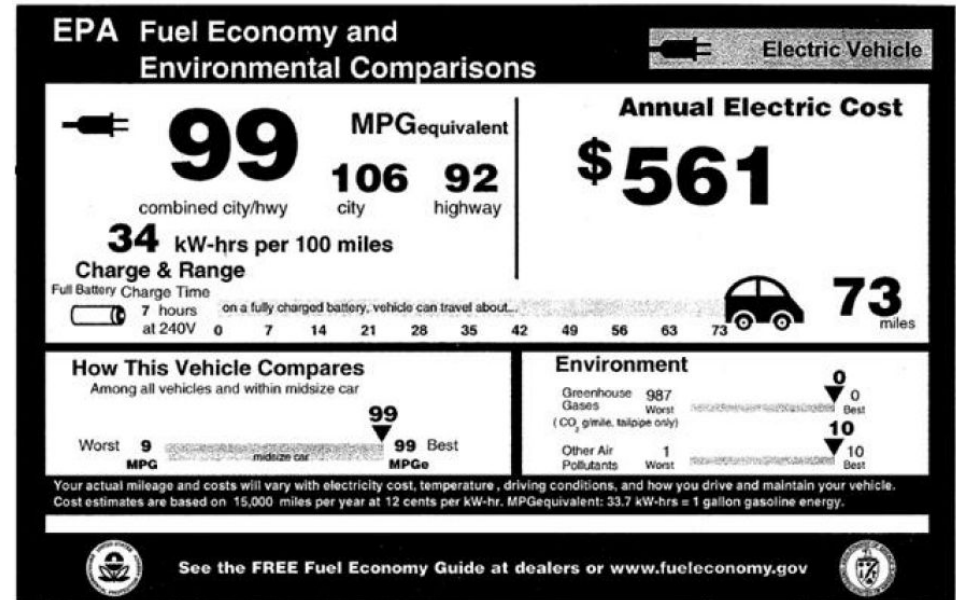


Vehicle was soak at the test temperature with the solar lights ON at 853W/m² for 12 hours before the test



Leaf hypothetical full 5 cycle EPA label calculation and comparison of ANL data to actual label

- Current EPA label method for EVs takes uncorrected FTP and HWFET AC Wh/mi result and reduces MPGge rating by 30 %
- Result is *lower* MPGge than using full 5-cycle equations (but we didn't use Cold CO ABCs)
- ANL Data [AC Wh/mi] = [DC Wh/mi] / [85 %] (charging efficiency)



<u>Method</u>	<u>City</u> <u>MPGge</u>	<u>Highway</u> <u>MPGge</u>	<u>Combined</u> <u>MPGge</u>
EPA Published Label	106	92	99
EPA Label Method - Argonne Data	102	86	96
Full 5-cycle - Argonne Data	111	99	105

Conclusions

- Established the energy consumption and range on standard drive cycles for the AVTA Leaf
 - UDDS 233 AC Wh/mi and 92 miles
 - US06 395 AC Wh/mi and 54 miles
- Characterized battery capacity and performance
- Established the accessory loads power levels
- In 20F weather the heater can double the energy consumption and cut the range in half
- In hot and sunny conditions, the air conditioning can increase the energy consumption by 25% with a hot cabin but the extra load is 5% or less for highway driving
- Characterized the heat power requirements to warm up the cabin 72F from 20F → 3 to 6 kW
- Characterized the air conditioning requirements to cool the cabin to 72F from 95F with solar load → 2 kW

