



# HEV / PHEV Technologies

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# Ricardo has extensive experience in hybrid & electric vehicle technologies for over 10 years - many products now entering the market



Ricardo Hybrids and Electric Vehicle → Passenger car / Commercial vehicles / Military applications



Micro      Mild      Full      PHEV      Range Ext EV      FC-HEV      Electric

Vehicle Systems: NVH / Chassis / Fuel / Exhaust / Brakes / Charger / Driver IP / Thermal / Packaging / Crash

Controls & Safety Systems      Electronics / High Voltage Systems / EMC      Battery Pack Systems      Calibration

Hybrid Transmissions & Drive systems

Hybrid applications: Gas and Diesel Engines

Emissions and OBD II

Production Release and support of Hybrid Products

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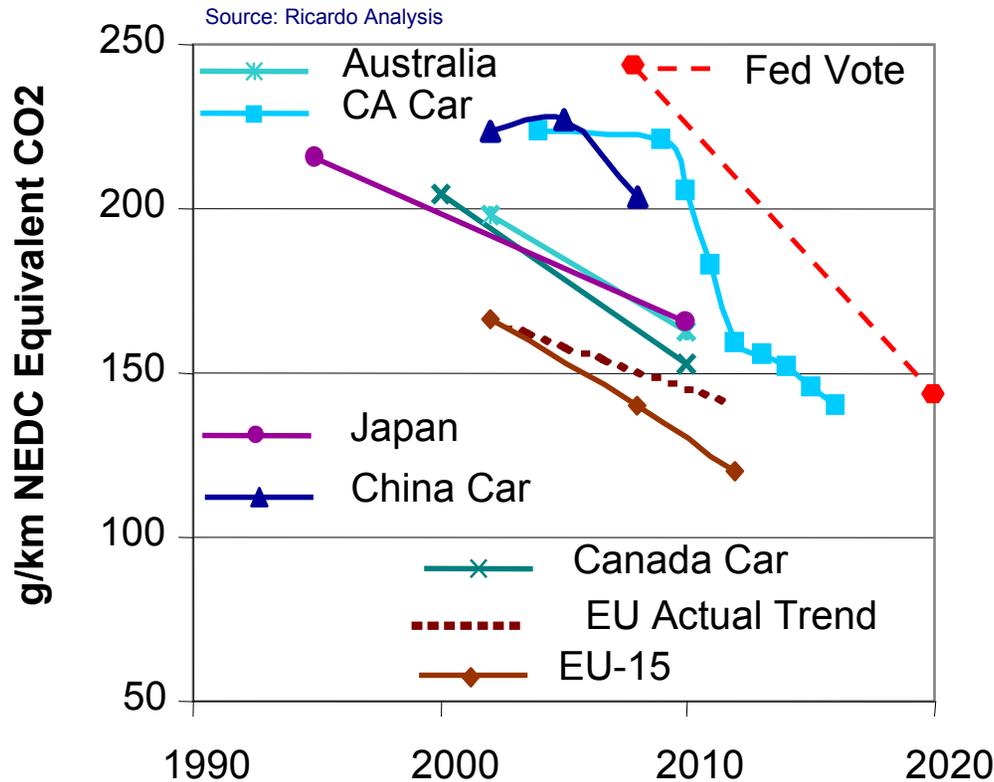
## Hybrid systems have found a niche and with a broader range of products being offered and with the 35 Mpg mandate; increased market penetration is expected.

- ❑ Significant publicity for Hybrid and Plug-In Hybrid vehicles. Some of the ways to deliver lower vehicle CO<sub>2</sub>, displace petroleum, “green” marketing/brand/image....
- ❑ Vehicles marketed on fuel savings and environmental benefits
  - Overall “cost of ownership” dominated by higher initial price and re-sale value
  - Purchased for “environmental Image” - reduced CO<sub>2</sub>, reduced oil consumption
  - Path to sustainable energy
- ❑ Wide variety of hybrid configurations possible – which one is best?
  - Must provide market relevant benefits (improved: GHG emissions, FE)
  - Must be attractive to the consumer – style/fashion / image remain key elements
  - For mass market, they must be profitable to manufacture
- ❑ What are the drivers that will increase hybrid sales volumes to mass market?
  - Broader range of hybrid model selections
  - **Federal state and local requirements (CARB, CAA 2008, 35 Mpg 2020...)**
  - Lower cost (components) due to higher volumes
  - Battery technology improvements
  - Optional selections of hybrid configurations
  - Ease of implementation in existing vehicle platforms

# Most Countries adopting low carbon targets for road transport, emphasis on energy security and climate change



## NEDC-Equivalent CO2



- ❑ Europe is leading the world with an average 1.6% per year improvement over the last decade
- ❑ California, Canada, Australia, China and Japan all have legislation or agreements relating to vehicle fuel economy or CO<sub>2</sub>
  - Generally set at 3% per year
- ❑ US EPA to initiate a regulatory process for improved fuel economy through the Clean Air Act by 2008
  - Senate vote for 35 mpg by 2020
  - This represents over **4% per year** reduction in fuel consumption

- ❑ In Europe, the commission have now proposed that legislation will be introduced requiring fleet average CO<sub>2</sub> to be reduced to 130 g/km by 2012
  - This represents a major economic challenge for the entire automotive sector
- ❑ Japan has also set targets for fuel economy in 2010 and have been the first to introduce fuel economy legislation for heavy duty vehicles (15% reduction from 2002 by 2015)

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Hybrids combine two power sources, one of which can regenerate & store energy when the vehicle slows down. Usually these are an IC engine and an electric motor/generator with energy storage. There are many permutations...

### ❑ Stop / Start and Micro Hybrid

- Belt-drive starter/alternators or automated starters
- Fuel saving: 3-10% - but up to 20% in heavy traffic
- Best for: Urban delivery vans, Gasoline city cars



**-20% in City**



### ❑ Mild Hybrid

- Small motor supplementing down-sized engine
- Fuel saving: 15 -25% - half or more from engine down-sizing
- Best for: Cost-effective gasoline family vehicles with mixed usage.



### ❑ Full Hybrid

- 1 or 2 Electric motors of significant power.
- Electric drive capability
- Many different arrangements of engine & motors
- Fuel saving: 30-50% - with some benefit shown at high speed cruise. (transient response)
- Best For: Family or premium vehicles (inc SUVs) with tendency to urban use.

**4.0 l/100 km**



**3.7 l/100 km**



# Plug-In Hybrids and Extended Range EVs have different operating characteristics and performance capabilities.

## Plug-in hybrid PHEV(10,20,30,40)

### Common characteristics:

- Minimize on board fuel usage over drive cycle
- Battery discharges to depletion limit
- Operates as charge sustaining HEV at depletion limit
- Requires external charging to restore upper limit SOC and to realize optimum FE benefit

### Blended / Urban Capable (PHEV10 → PHEV30)

- Conversion PHEV - Blended depletion operation over drive cycle
- Urban capable PHEV – EV capable of full performance over urban cycle
- Extended electric drive operation
- Engine on transition is required for full performance
- Full vehicle performance maintained at depletion limit

### Full Capability Performance PHEV40

- Capable of full Electric vehicle performance over drive cycle
- Transition to charge sustaining at depletion limit
- May have reduced performance during charge sustaining operation
- With engine on may operate in Series, direct drive, combination



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# Hybrid vehicles with Series or Parallel layouts require different battery requirements

## Batteries

## Hybrid vehicle battery requirements

- ❑ Capacity is less important with HEVs compared with PHEVs since the engine also provides capacity
  - battery can be much smaller, saving weight
  - battery may still be required to provide the same instantaneous power as the PHEV battery from time to time
  - smaller battery must deliver much higher currents when called upon
  
- ❑ Wide range of batteries is required to accommodate the range of HEV configurations as well as vehicle performance requirements:
  - Series Hybrid - engine and motor / generator sources electric power to drive the vehicle and charge the battery.
    - Electrical system provides a variable speed transmission
    - Electric motor provides the full driving power
    - Battery requirements similar to EV
  - Parallel Hybrid - engine and/or motor drive wheels
    - battery capacity may be as low as 2 KWh
    - must deliver short duration power boosts (up to 40C for acceleration and hill climbing)



Toyota Prius Ni-MH Battery Pack

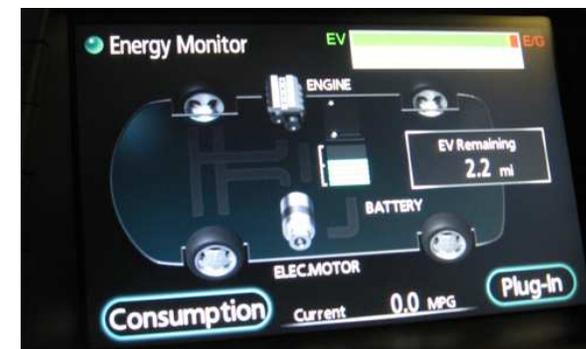
## Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicles require higher capacity batteries and deliver hybrid functionality with extended all electric range.



### Batteries

### Plug-In Hybrid vehicle battery requirements

- ❑ Higher capacity batteries required to extend range
  - A typical electric car uses around 250 – 350 Watt-hours per mile.
- ❑ Battery must be capable of regular deep discharge (~70% - 80% DOD) operation
  - Designed to maximize energy content and deliver full power even with deep discharge to expected cumulative electric range.
  - Routinely receives a full charge and often reaches 20% – 30% SOC
  - Needs to operate at more than 5C during acceleration and braking if full re-generative capacity used
- ❑ Needs a Battery Management System (BMS) and thermal management
- ❑ Enters Charge sustaining HEV mode during drive cycle.
  - Typical voltage > 300 Volts.
  - Typical capacity 4 kWh < Capacity < 15kWh
  - Typical discharge current up to 1C rate continuous and 5C peak for short durations.



Toyota Plug-In energy monitor

'C' is the rated capacity of a cell or a battery. The charging & discharging current of a cell is expressed as a multiple of C. (Example: The 0.1 C current for cell with rated capacity of 1.4 Ah is 140 mA).

# Battery requirements for plug in hybrid vehicles are a combination of EV and HEV charging/discharging cycles

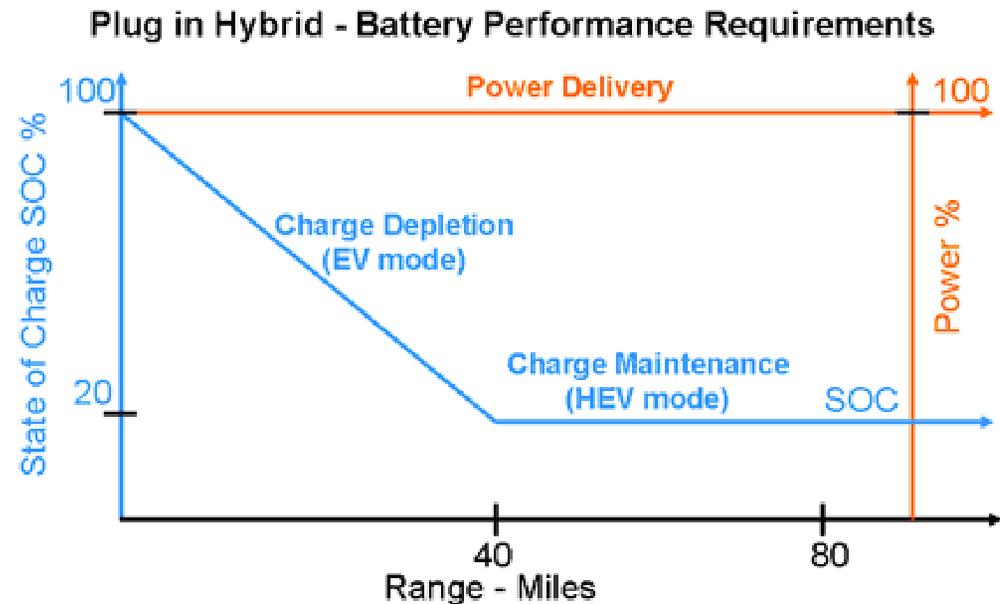


## Batteries

## Plug-In Hybrid (PHEV) vehicle battery requirements

- ❑ Batteries for plug in hybrid vehicles must satisfy conflicting performance requirements:
  - EV batteries usually optimised for high capacity
  - HEV batteries usually optimised for high power
- ❑ PHEV Batteries need to operate with variable depth of discharge:
  - EV battery operates to high discharge (DOD) for long range
  - HEV operates at a shallow DOD for long life.

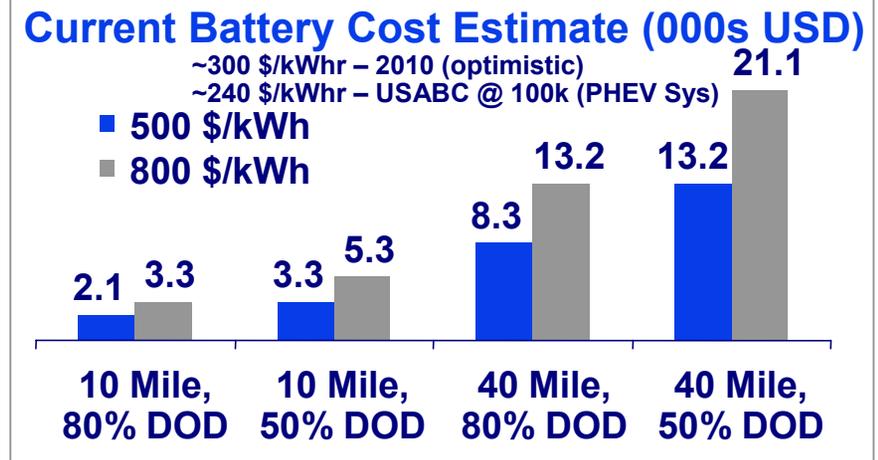
- ❑ The plug in hybrid is designed to be used as
  - Blended depleting electric
  - EV for urban cycle
  - EV full performance
  - HEV when charge is depleted or for highway driving:



The PHEV battery is thus expected to perform both as an EV and as an HEV

## Plug-in hybrids show large potential though high battery costs are currently limiting their financial feasibility

- ❑ Plug-in hybrids offer reduced CO<sub>2</sub> when operated on low carbon electricity (e.g. coal with carbon sequestration, renewable or nuclear)
- ❑ Significant plug-in interest in the US
  - Potential to reduce dependence on imported oil/petroleum products
  - Electricity supply from domestic fuel sources
  - US - 35 Mpg 2020 fleet requirement
- ❑ Batteries charged using off-peak electricity
- ❑ Battery sized for range of 10-40 miles (15-60 km) - gasoline fuel for longer distances
- ❑ Key hurdle is the energy storage technology
  - **Cost:** Currently up to ~\$20k US for battery
  - **Size:** Limited package space in pass cars
  - **Durability:** Replacement cost major issue



Note: battery cost is a **contentious** subject, driven by differing views on materials costs, rate of technical improvement, permissible depth of discharge (DOD), range, etc.

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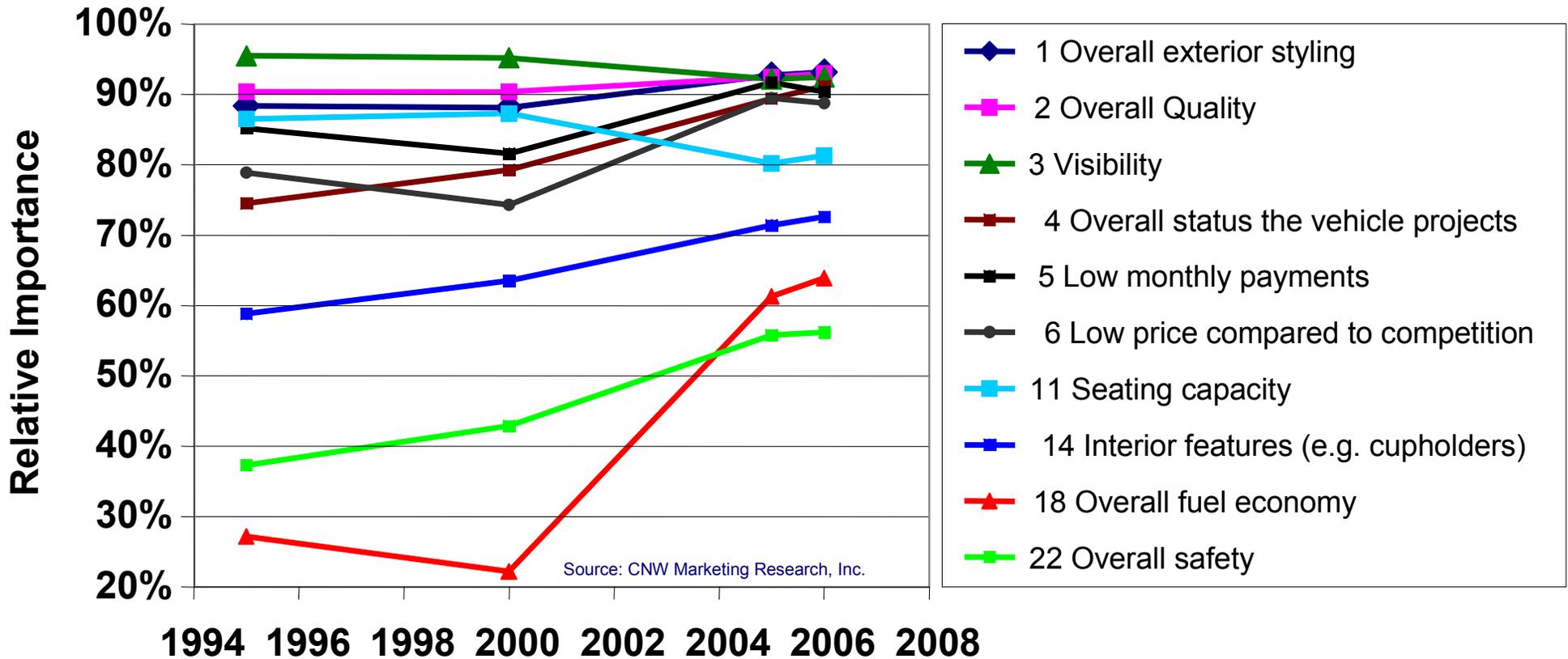
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## Higher US fuel prices have increased consumer interest in fuel economy but this must be kept in perspective...



- Consumer surveys in the US show that fuel economy is now a higher priority in the decision to purchase a vehicle:



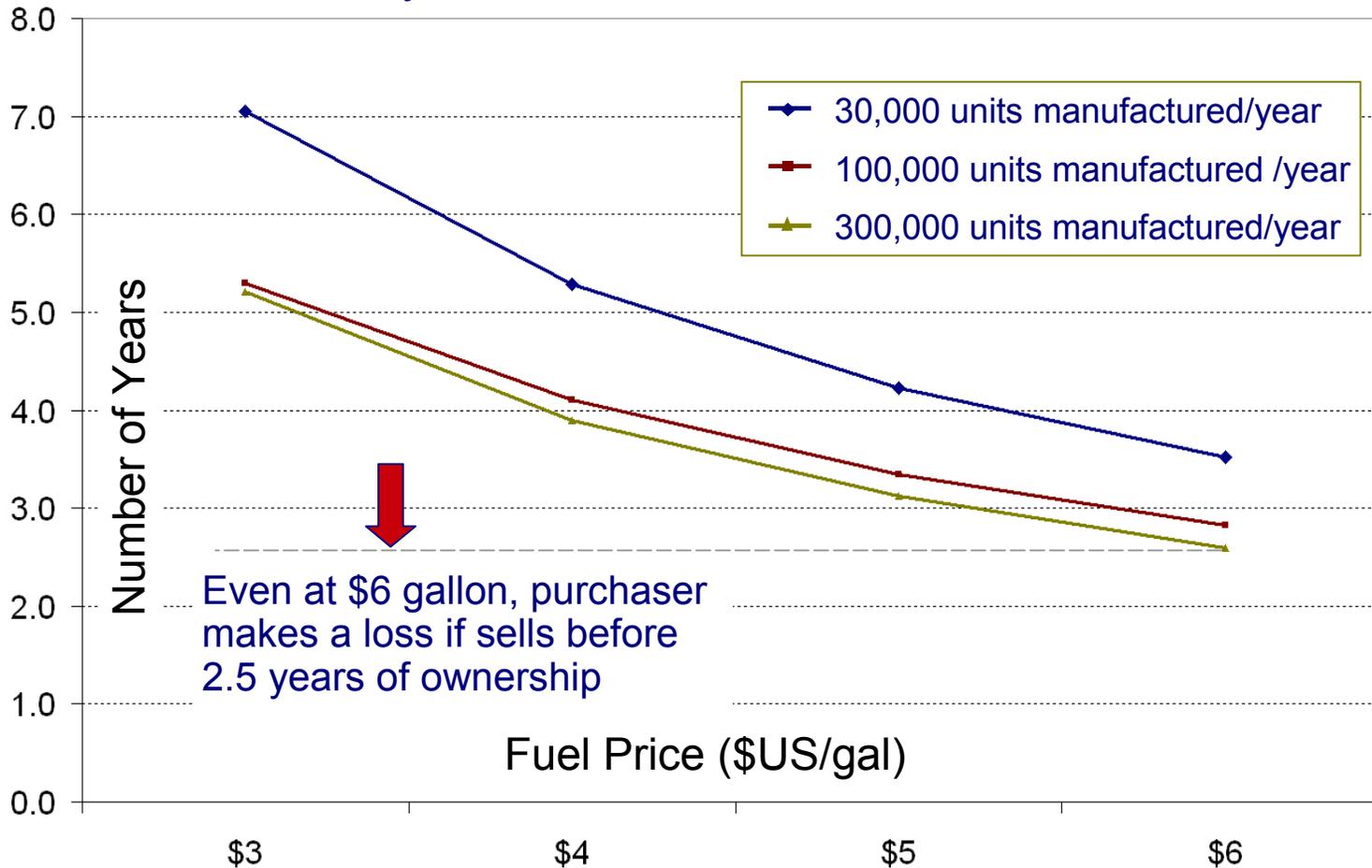
- When shopping for a new vehicle, people rank good gas mileage only slightly higher than cup holders.... But after they buy the car, gas mileage becomes a customer satisfaction issue. People always want better gas mileage ...They resent spending money on gas

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# Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles can be competitive on cost if fuel prices continue to rise and battery costs fall.



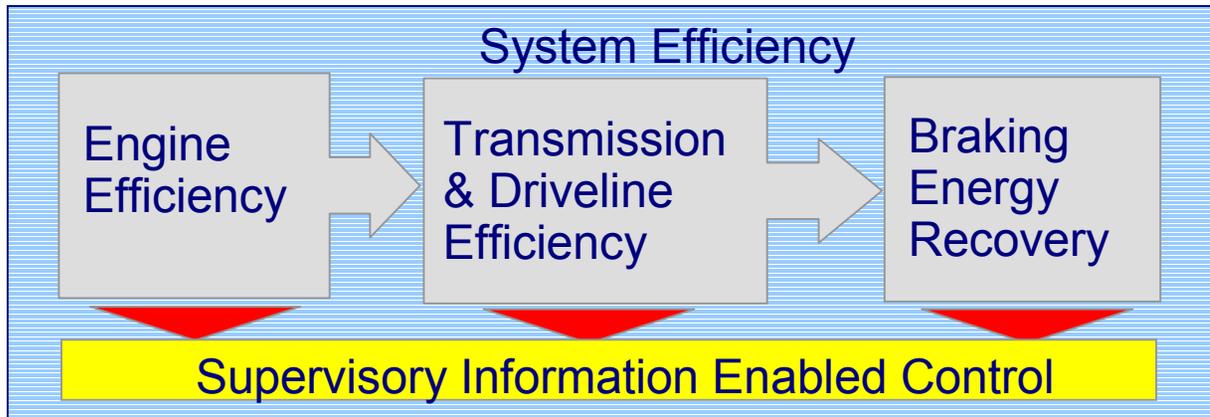
PHEV20 Payback Period with Gasoline Price Increases



- ❑ At US\$3/gallon, the PHEV20 payback period is 5 - 7 years
- ❑ At US\$6/gallon PHEV20 payback occurs in 2.5 – 3.5 years
- ❑ New vehicle purchasers do not recover costs at current fuel prices
- ❑ High EU fuel prices should make PHEV's more attractive in Europe?

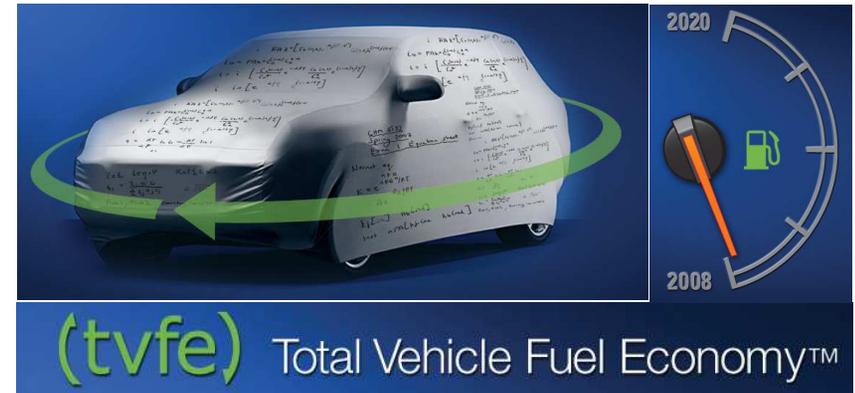
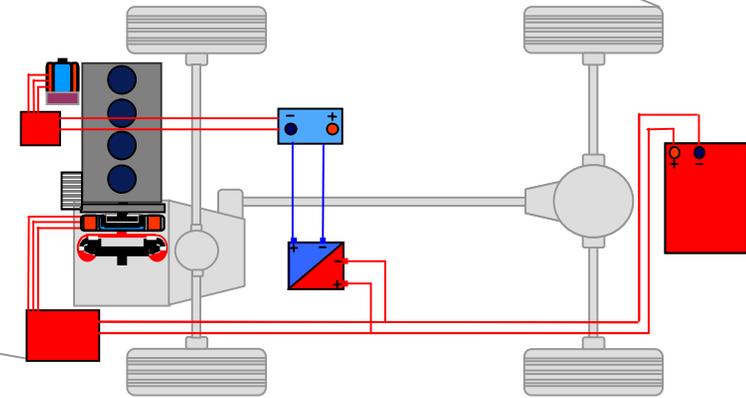
❑ PHEV20 payback period is much less sensitive to electricity price increases. A 400% increase in electricity price (4c to 20c/kWh) = extra 2 year payback period

**A successful powertrain must be optimized as a system for each application - this includes engine systems, transmission, drivelines, vehicle installation & control integration**



### Vehicle Systems Integration

- ❑ Systems Integration requires:
  - Broad powertrain capability and knowledge
  - Advanced system simulation tools
  - Knowledge of component and subsystem interactions
    - Explore configuration issues
    - Develop control strategies
  - Analytical system optimization techniques



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## Requirements for effective deployment of HEV & EV include cost & weight reduction of batteries together with very effective system engineering



- ❑ Hybrid and Plug-In Hybrid electric vehicles will offer a significant contribution to lower carbon transport if cost competitive products can be delivered
  - Niche products have little effect on carbon emissions
  - Mass market always dominated by economics
- ❑ HEV / PHEV systems are significantly more complex than conventional powertrains
  - System engineering is the key to success
  - Sophisticated control systems are required to optimize energy and power flows
- ❑ At current Battery technology levels:
  - Plug-in (PHEV10, PHEV20) electric vehicles can be reasonably adapted to existing vehicle platforms.
  - Plug-in (PHEV30, PHEV40) requires more extensive vehicle modifications
  - Range extended EV are purpose built to optimize EV drive performance.
- ❑ Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles may offer best compromise if:
  - Battery cost can be reduced
  - Electricity energy price remains significantly lower than liquid hydrocarbons (including bio-fuels)
  - Electricity increasingly produced from renewable low carbon sources
- ❑ Cost and weight reduction must not compromise battery safety or durability