



Fuel and Recharging Effects on Regulated and Unregulated Emissions from a Gasoline and a Diesel Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle

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Motivation

- Plug-in hybrid vehicles (PHEVs) are regularly mentioned as a relevant option for
 - *Low life-cycle CO₂ emissions*
 - *And low pollutant emissions... in homologation conditions*
- PHEVs can also relieve some of the pressure
 - *On the implementation of fast charging infrastructures for Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs)*
 - *On the availability of raw materials to produce batteries, smaller than BEVs' ones*
 - *On the consumption of liquid fuels and the availability of low-carbon fuels*



Motivation and objectives



- Question 1: Intermittent thermal/electric drive can be challenging for PHEVs aftertreatment

- *Do they maintain low pollutant emissions under real-world conditions?*

- Question 2: PHEVs life-cycle CO₂ emissions are sensitive to their use cases

- *e.g. recharging frequency, trips distance, electricity carbon intensity*
 - *Can PHEVs life-cycle CO₂ emissions be predicted depending on their use case?*

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- *In lab: chassis-dyno*
 - *On-road*

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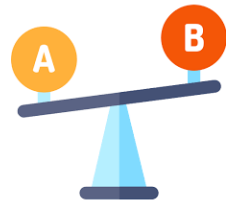


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Targeted comparisons and test matrix



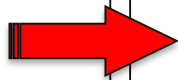
- Diesel vs. gasoline results



- 2 vehicles tested

- A Diesel PHEV and a gasoline PHEV;

- Standard vs. renewable fuels

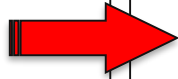


- Fuel matrix includes

- A B7 and a 100% renewable HVO

- An E10 and a 100% renewable gasoline, blended with 20% v/v ethanol (E20)

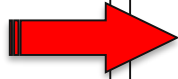
- Impact of recharging the battery (or not)



- Test matrix includes

- Charge depleting mode (CD) charge sustaining mode (CS))

- PHEV vs. HEV



- Artificial variation of the weight of the vehicle on the chassis dynamometer

Test vehicles



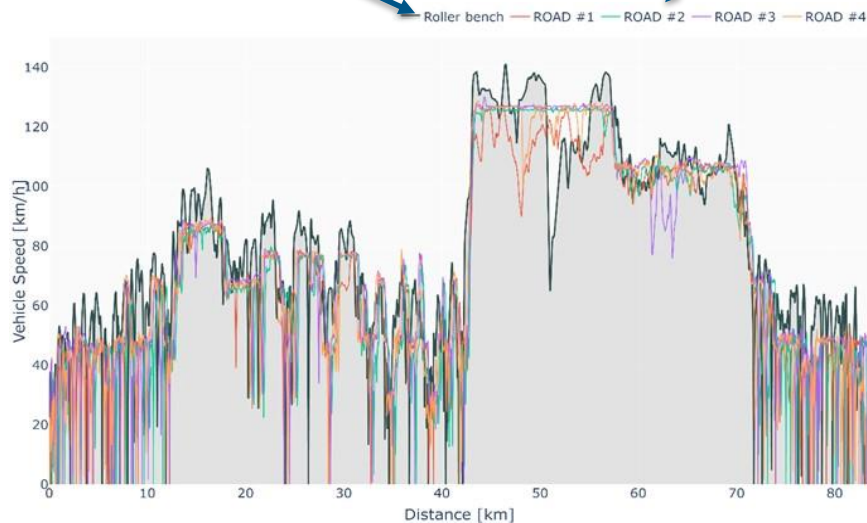
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| Regulation | Euro 6d-temp | |
| Fuel type | Gasoline | Diesel |
| Test mass [kg] | 1885 | 1970 |
| Thermal Engine | 2.0L 4cyl 155 kW turbo Direct injection | 2.0L 4cyl 143 kW turbo Direct injection |
| Battery | 13.5 kWh 365V | |
| Electric motor | 90 kW | |
| Hybridization | P2 parallel hybrid architecture | |
| Aftertreatment system | 2 TWC + GPF | DOC + SCRF + SCR |

Driving cycle

- RDE compliant
- Speed profile used on the chassis dyno from the same trip driven on-road
 - *Allowing back-to-back comparisons of lab and on-road results*



| | |
|---|------|
| Trip duration [min] | 93 |
| Total distance [km] | 83.4 |
| urban share [%] | 30.8 |
| rural share [%] | 31.9 |
| motorway share [%] | 37.2 |
| total cumulated positive altitude [m/100km] | 620 |

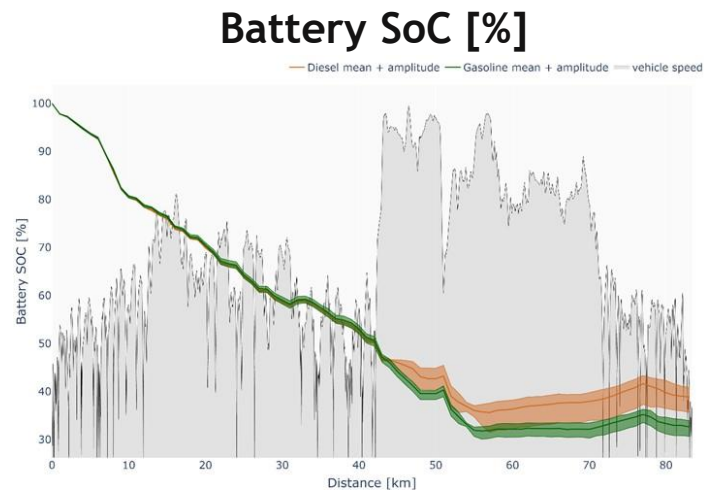
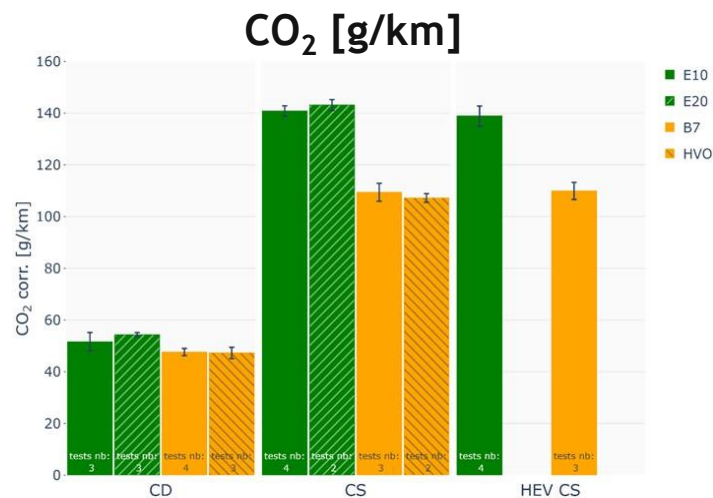


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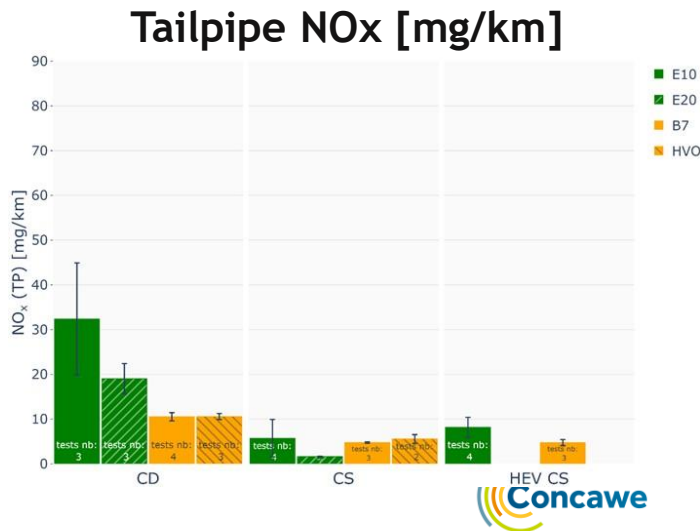
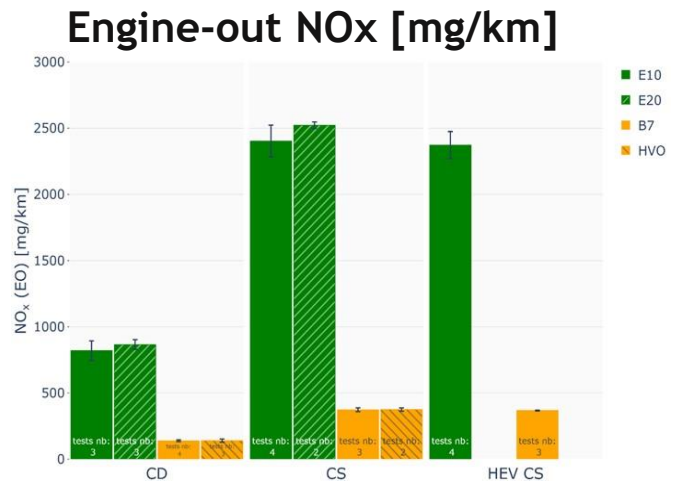
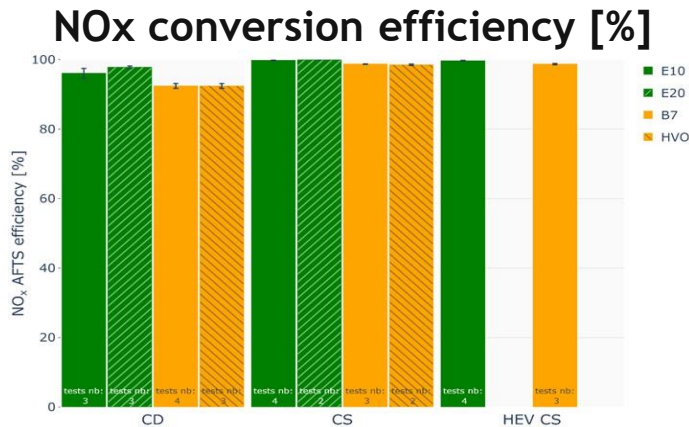
CO₂ emissions

- In CS mode, Diesel PHEV emits 22% less CO₂ emissions than gasoline PHEV
 - *Mainly explained by engine efficiency difference*
- In CD mode, only 8% gap in CO₂ emissions for Diesel vs. gasoline
 - *Mainly explained by different hybrid control strategies: bigger depth of discharge in gasoline vs. Diesel*
- HVO emits 2% less CO₂ emissions than B7
 - *Explained by fuel properties (higher H/C ratio)*
 - *No impact on engine efficiency*
- In CS mode, PHEV has similar CO₂ emissions to HEV
 - *No impact of vehicle weight: more energy expended during accelerations is compensated by more energy recovered during decelerations*
- CH₄ and N₂O contribute to an increase of 1% (gasoline) and 3% (Diesel) of GHG emissions



NOx emissions

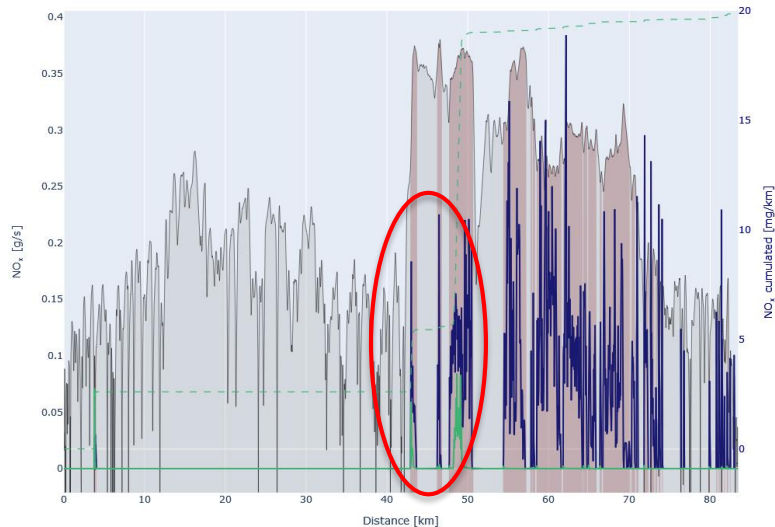
- Low tailpipe NOx emissions overall
- Lower tailpipe NOx emissions for Diesel vs. gasoline
 - *Explained by lower engine-out NOx with fairly good aftertreatment conversion efficiency*
- Higher tailpipe NOx emissions in CD mode vs. CS mode
 - *Counter-intuitive result, explained by a higher aftertreatment conversion efficiency in CS mode (see next 2 slides)*
- Lower tailpipe NOx emissions for E20 vs. E10
 - *Explained by a higher aftertreatment conversion efficiency*



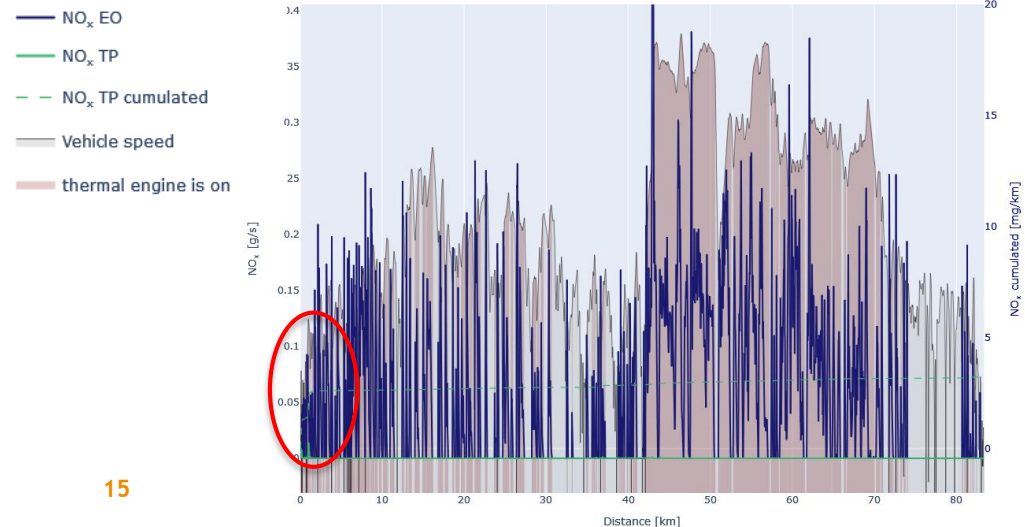
Time-based NO_x measurements (E10)

- In CD mode, cold engine start in highway conditions creates challenging conditions for NO_x conversion
 - *Leading to a higher peak on NO_x tailpipe emissions, although the engine is off most of time*
- In CS mode, engine start in soft driving conditions leads to a good management on NO_x emissions by the TWC
 - *Leading to lower NO_x tailpipe emissions, although the engine runs most of time, with higher engine-out NO_x emissions*

CD mode



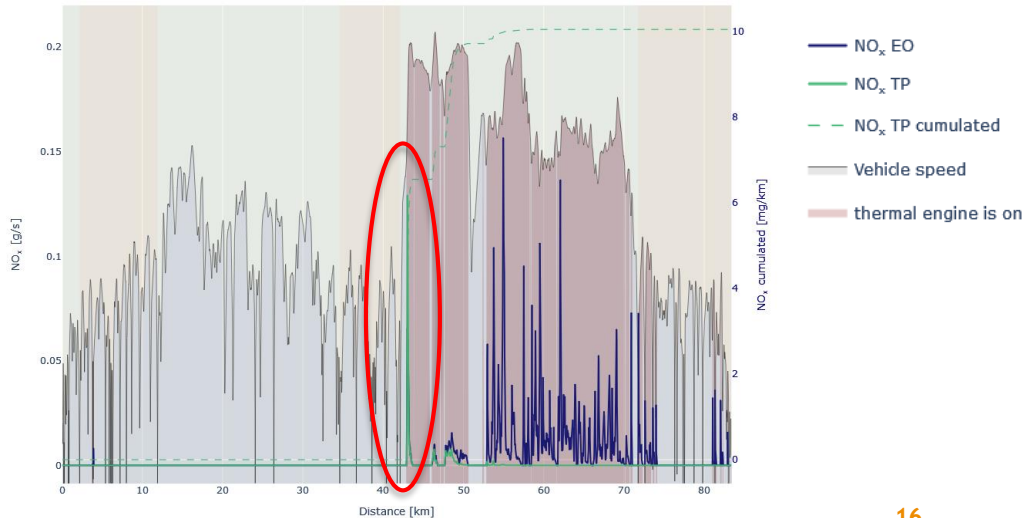
CS mode



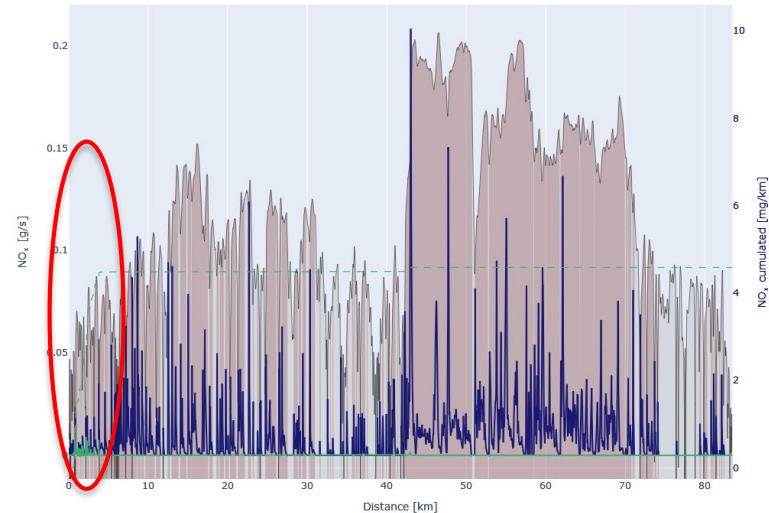
Time-based NOx measurements (B7)

- In CD mode, cold engine start in highway conditions creates challenging conditions for NOx conversion
 - *Leading to a higher peak on NOx tailpipe emissions, although the engine is off most of time*
- In CS mode, engine start in soft driving conditions leads to low engine-out NOx emissions during SCR light-off
 - *Leading to lower NOx tailpipe emissions, although the engine runs most of time, with higher engine-out NOx emissions*

CD mode



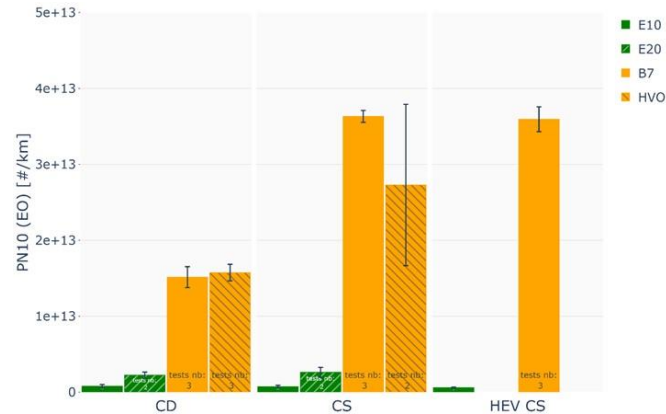
CS mode



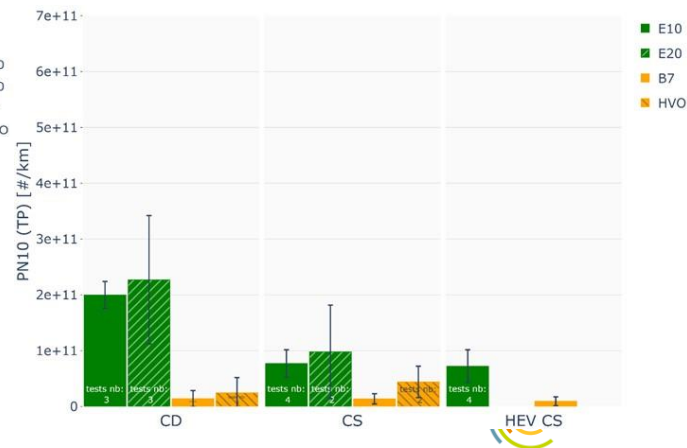
Particulates number emissions

- Low tailpipe PN10 emissions overall
- Lower tailpipe PN10 emissions for Diesel vs. gasoline
 - Explained by a higher filtration of the DPF vs. GPF, although Diesel engine-out PN10 emissions are higher
- No impact of renewable fuels on tailpipe PN10 emissions
 - Higher PN10 engine-out emissions from E20 vs E10 are compensated by a better filtration efficiency of the GPF

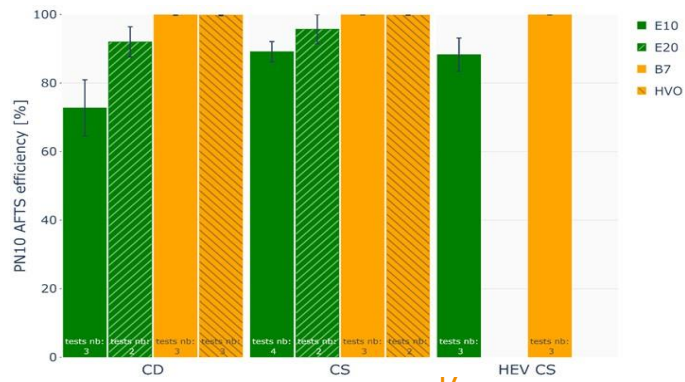
Engine-out PN10 [# /km]



Tailpipe PN10 [# /km]



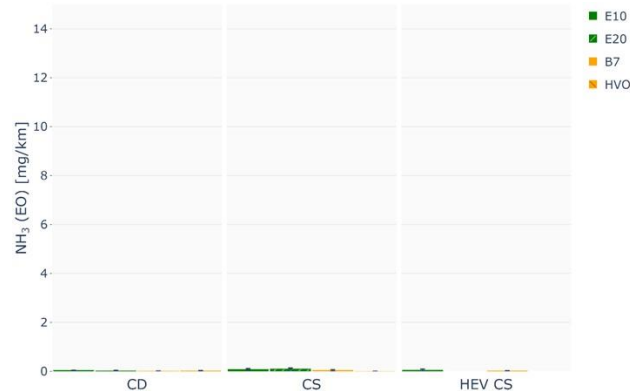
Filtration efficiency [%]



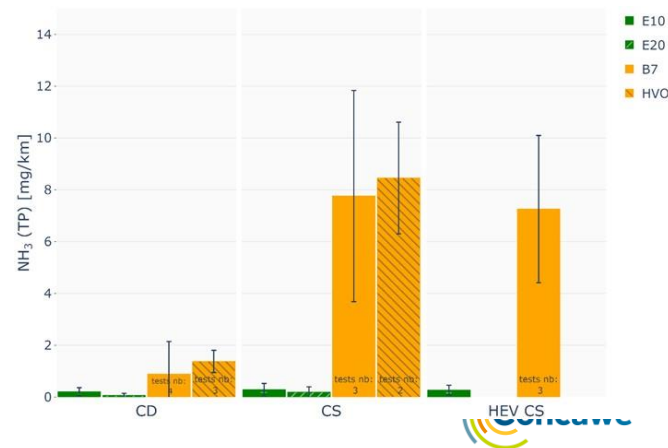
Ammonia emissions

- No NH_3 emissions engine-out
 - NH_3 is formed in the aftertreatment system
 - Reactions in the TWC for the gasoline PHEV
 - NH_3 -slip for the Diesel PHEV
- Higher tailpipe NH_3 emissions for Diesel vs. gasoline
- No impact of renewable fuels on NH_3 tailpipe emissions

Engine-out NH_3 [mg/km]

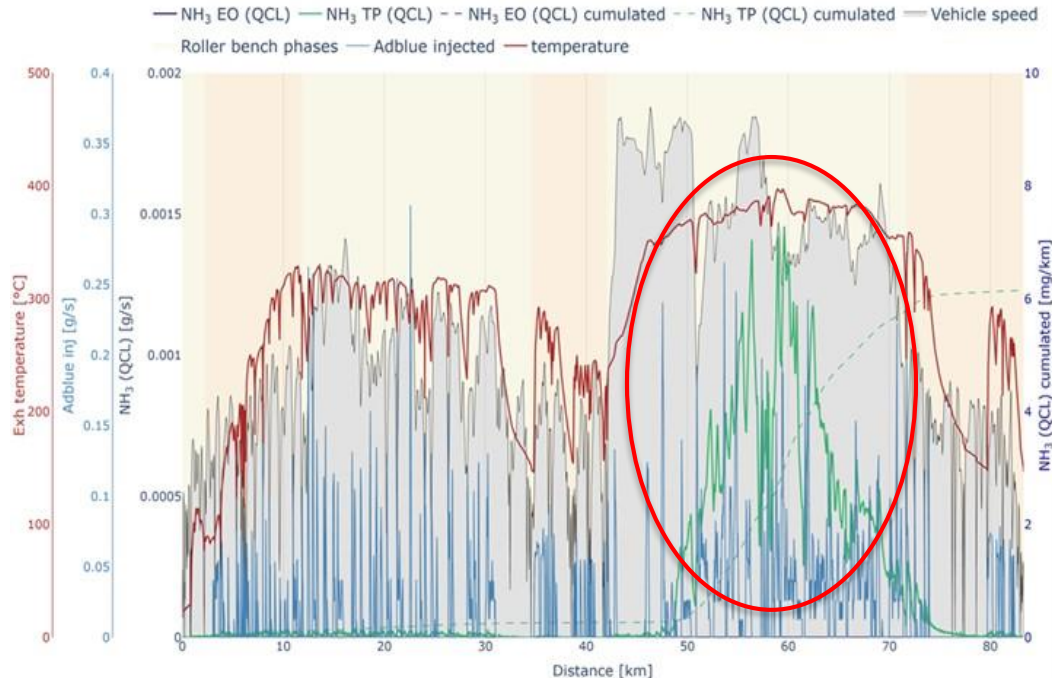


Tailpipe NH_3 [mg/km]



Time-based NH_3 measurements (B7)

- NH_3 -slip typically occurs in highway conditions
 - Above a level of exhaust temperature
 - Gas hourly space velocity is probably too high

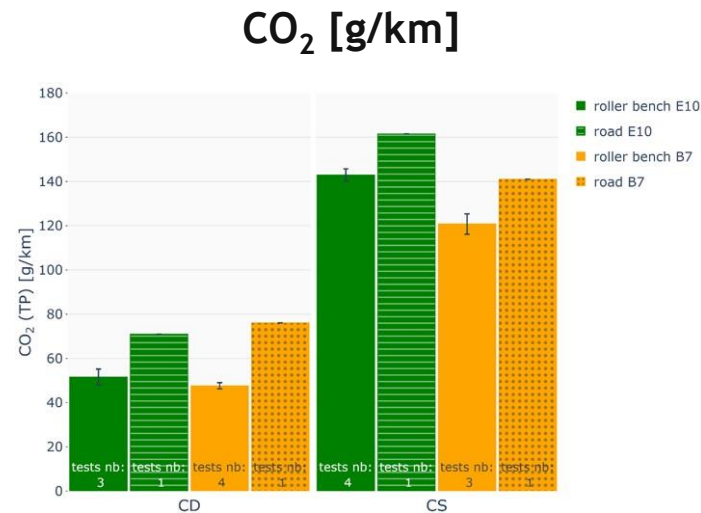


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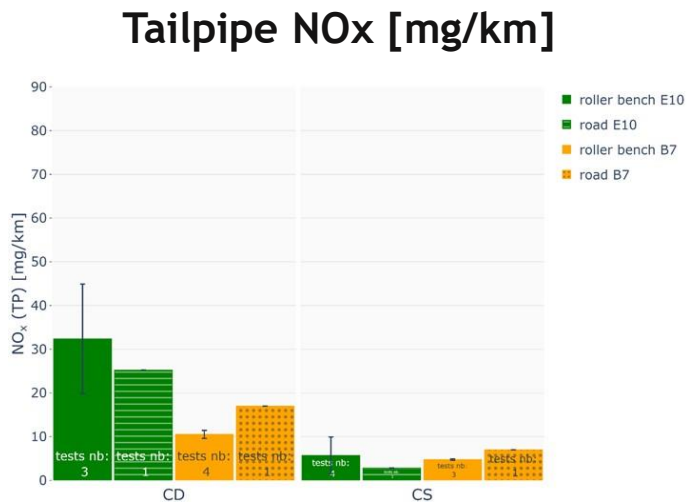
CO₂ emissions: on-road vs. chassis-dyno

- CO₂ on-road emissions are significantly higher than measured in-lab
 - +29% CO₂ emissions for Diesel PHEV
 - +14% CO₂ emissions for gasoline PHEV
- Further analysis shows that road law used on chassis-dyno was not severe enough
 - *This aspect is corrected in the next steps of the study*
- CO₂ emissions from Diesel PHEV become closer/similar to gasoline PHEV



NOx emissions: on-road vs. chassis-dyno

- NOx emissions are consistent between on-road and chassis dyno measurements



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Key take-away

- **Comparison of**

- *Diesel vs. gasoline PHEVs vs. Diesel and gasoline HEVs*
- *Charge depleting vs. charge sustaining mode*
- *Standard (B7, E10) vs. renewable fuels (HVO, E20)*
- *Chassis-dyno vs. on-road results*

- **Pollutant emissions**

- *Low regulated emissions, well below Euro 6d limits*
- *Non-regulated emissions in the range of Euro 7 proposals*
- *Lower emissions for the Diesel PHEV, except for NH_3 and N_2O*
- *Switching from a standard (B7, E10) to renewable fuel (HVO, E20) has no significant impact on tailpipe emissions*

- **GHG emissions**

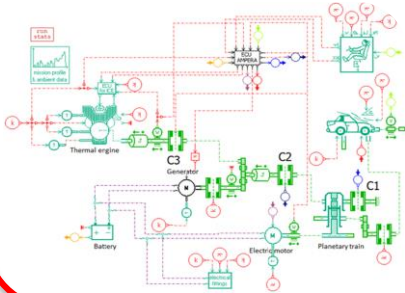
- *Much lower CO_2 emissions from Diesel PHEV vs. gasoline PHEV on chassis dyno, but closer/similar on-road*
- *CO_2 emissions significantly higher on-road (corrected for the next steps of the study)*
- *CH_4 and N_2O add 1% to 3% to GHG emissions*
- *HVO decreases CO_2 emissions by 2% (TtW)*
- *No stated impact of vehicle mass (PHEV vs. HEV)*

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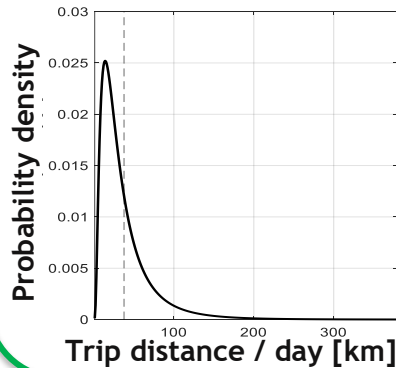
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Generating real-world use cases with a calibrated PHEV simulator

PHEV simulator

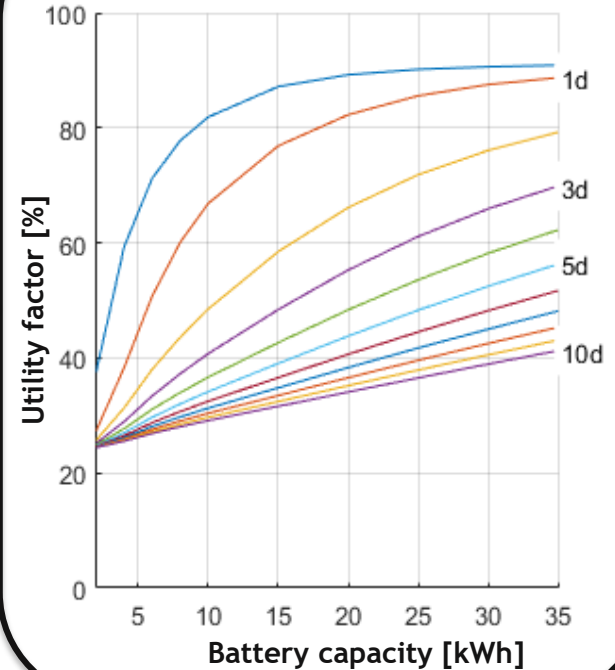


Use cases



Statistical model

Real-world performance



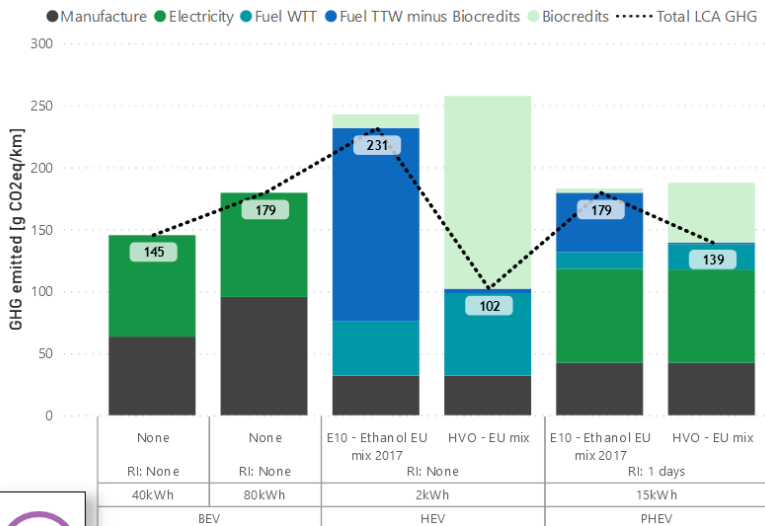
Vehicle LCA GHG on-line simulator

LCA GHG emissions of passenger car in real life

Depending on electrification level, end-user behavior, fuel, industrial and energy sector key parameters

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Please click on buttons to get further explanations for each parameters of the "simulator"



As powertrains diversify in their electrification levels – Hybrids (HEV), Plug-in Hybrids (PHEV) and Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) – along with the fuel production pathways – fossil and renewable routes – the carbon footprint over their life cycle heavily depends on their use cases (e.g. driving profile) and context of use (e.g. carbon intensity of electricity). This interactive tool allows to design several scenarios combining these parameters and to compare their environmental performance.

VEHICLES

USAGE

ENERGIES

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Electrification level: HEV, PHEV, BEV

Battery capacity [kWh]: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140

Battery production [kgCO2eq/kWh]: 120

Total lifetime mileage [km]: 125000, 150000, 187500, 250000

Recharge interval (RI) for PHEVs [days]: 0.5, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0, 9.0, 10...

Daily vehicle mileage: Average, Long

Climate: Cold, Temperate, Hot

Electricity carbon intensity [gCO2eq/kWh]: 335

Diesel fuels: BTL via HTL **, e-Diesel via FT **, HVO - EU mix, HVO - Palm, HVO - UCO

Gasoline fuels: E0 - Fossil gasoline, E10 - 90% renew e-MtG + 10% ..., E10 - Adv. Ethanol **, E10 - Ethanol EU mix 2017, E10 - Ethanol EU mix 2025+



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