Toolbox 1 & 2: Parameter Estimation and Economics

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LECTURE 5





What do investors care for?

- Money
- To navigate to a sustainable future we need to account for the economic effects of technology policy:
 - How to compare investing between different technologies?
 - How to account for total lifecycle energy flows?





What do policy makers care for?

- Sustainability!
 - (of their electability mostly)
- Effect of policies on:
 - Economy:
 - Attracting investors
 - Environment:
 - Meeting targets
 - Equity:
 - Policy cost to tax-payers bang for the buck
 - Employment





Calculation of Lifecycle Costs

- Good news: they can be quantified
- Bad news: there are enormous uncertainties

- Why are we interested in them?
 - Evaluate investments
 - Evaluate policies





Values Estimation

- Easiest way:
 - Find reliable sources
 - Crosscheck sources
 - Order of magnitude verification of results
- Hard way:
 - Bottom up calculations



Values Estimation Example

- What is the engine power requirement for an electric vehicle?
- What is the battery size required for a 200km range?
- What is the size of a PV solar field necessary to provide 100km/day?
- How much CO₂ do we save by the EV/PV combo?





EV Estimation Example: Power

- Small Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) vehicle ~
 - Fuel consumption: 6l/100km.
 - Highway driving speed: 100km/h = 28 m/s.
- Thermal content of fuel = heating value = amount of heat released from combustion
 - Higher heating value (HHV): all products of combustion brought back to normal conditions (condensing vapor). Useful for when condensation practical and there is use for heat at 150C or less
 - Lower heating value (LHV) = HHV heat of vaporization
 - Gasoline LHV: 32MJ/l (source: http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/forestry/biomass/pubs/WBoo8.pdf, or alternatively Text Table 8.1, pg. 378 see later)
 - $\Box_{32}MJ \times 0.278 \text{ kWh/MJ (source: Text p.830)} = 8.9 \text{ kWh/l}$
- ICE drivetrain thermal efficiency: ~25%
- Vehicle uses 6 l /h \square 6 x 8.9 = 53.4 kWh / h or a fuel power of 53.4 kW
- The engine provides a power of 13.4 kW for propulsion with remaining dissipated as heat.





EV Estimation Example: Power II

- Vehicle kinetics power: VP = K + AD + RR
 - Acceleration deceleration power: K

$$K = \frac{kinetic_energy}{time_between_stops} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}m_v u^2}{\frac{d}{u}} = \frac{m_v u^3}{2 \times d}$$

• Aerodynamic drag: AD = <u>rate</u> of kinetic energy generation of air mass turbulence

$$AD = \frac{\frac{1}{2}m_{air}u^2}{t} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{air} \times (A_{eff} \times u \times t) \times u^2}{t} = \frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{air} \times A \times C_d \times u^3$$
 Cd ~ 0.35

• Rolling resistance: RR

$$RR = m_v \times C_{rr} \times g \times (d/t)$$

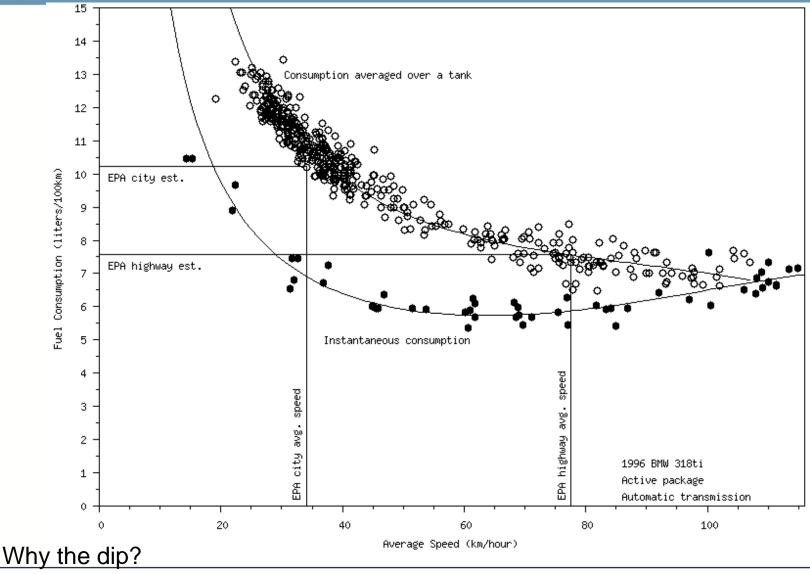
 $Crr \sim 0.01$

• In numbers:
$$VP = 110 + 14982 + 280 = 15372W$$





Some real world data...







Battery Size (Energy Capacity)

- Desired range 200km
 - Energy required $\Box E=2 \times 15 \text{kWh} = 30 \text{ kWh}$
- Electric Drivetrain efficiency: 0.85
- Battery should provide: Eb=30/0.85 =35kWh
- For Li-Ion ~200Wh/kg
- Battery required will weigh: 35/0.2 = 175kg





Renewable Charging

- 100km / day requirement = 35kWh
 - Charging efficiency o.85 (combined inverter/charger)
- □ Renewable energy required 35/0.85=41kWh
- Our PV panels operate in UAE at 1800 Full Load Hours (FLH)
- In an average day they would provide: 1800/365
 ~4.9FLH
- Our panels need to be rated @: 41kWh/4.9h=8.4kW



