

Dissertation

Spatial modeling of charging infrastructure for the
origin-destination-flow-based/traffic
flow-based/vehicle-based charging demand of battery
electric vehicle fleets

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Abstract

TODO: think about the title? maybe origin-destination-flow based? The objective of the thesis is to advance the analytical understanding of the demand-driven geographic allocation of charging infrastructure of future electrified vehicle fleets in different road transport segments. The core contribution to the scientific literature is the extension of charging infrastructure capacity planning to consider diverse drivers of charging demand. This includes the long-term battery-electric vehicle (BEV) adoption, consumer-specific utilization patterns and inter-regional traffic flows. This is addressed through four research papers. Three of the four methodologies applied are optimizations, one a simulation-based approach. The central feature of the analytical methods is the use of traffic flow data, leveraging geographic relations of traffic flow to model the spatial distribution of charging demand.

For passenger cars, we first address the planning of fast charging for long-distance passenger car travel at the national level under different decarbonization scenarios for the transport sector. We observe that the highest reduction in required charging infrastructure capacities is achieved in scenarios with high charging efficiencies, while the driving range of BEVs has no significant impact due to the dense network topology of the analysed highway network. Furthermore, we analyze public charging infrastructure for shorter-distance traffic and BEV adoption within and between three regions. Here, the analysis shows income-class differences in charger utilization preferences which are further shaped by the local spatial density of charging stations. The local expansion of rapid public charging infrastructure has a moderate impact on BEV adoption in neighboring regions.

For commercial fleets, the analysis focuses on the spatial heterogeneity of charging loads and flexibility potential. The sensitivity of charging load allocation to spatially varying electricity prices and network fees is analyzed along international road transport routes. Furthermore, this study identifies segments in an international transport corridor where rail infrastructure is cost-effective in contributing to the decarbonization of road freight and reducing the local concentration of charging loads. The temporal flexibility of commercial fleets is analyzed, considering light-duty vehicles, buses, and heavy-duty vehicles at the federal and state levels. The spatial heterogeneity results from geographical variations in regional fleet sizes and in national and international truck traffic flows. Moreover, high temporal flexibility in charging demand allocation is evident on weekends, which, in cases of cost-optimal charging, may result in substantial peak loads in the electricity system.

A central insight of this thesis is that planning of charging infrastructure—accounting for both adoption patterns and cross-regional vehicle movements — is necessary to support the electrification of particularly long-distance BEV application for passenger cars and trucks alike.

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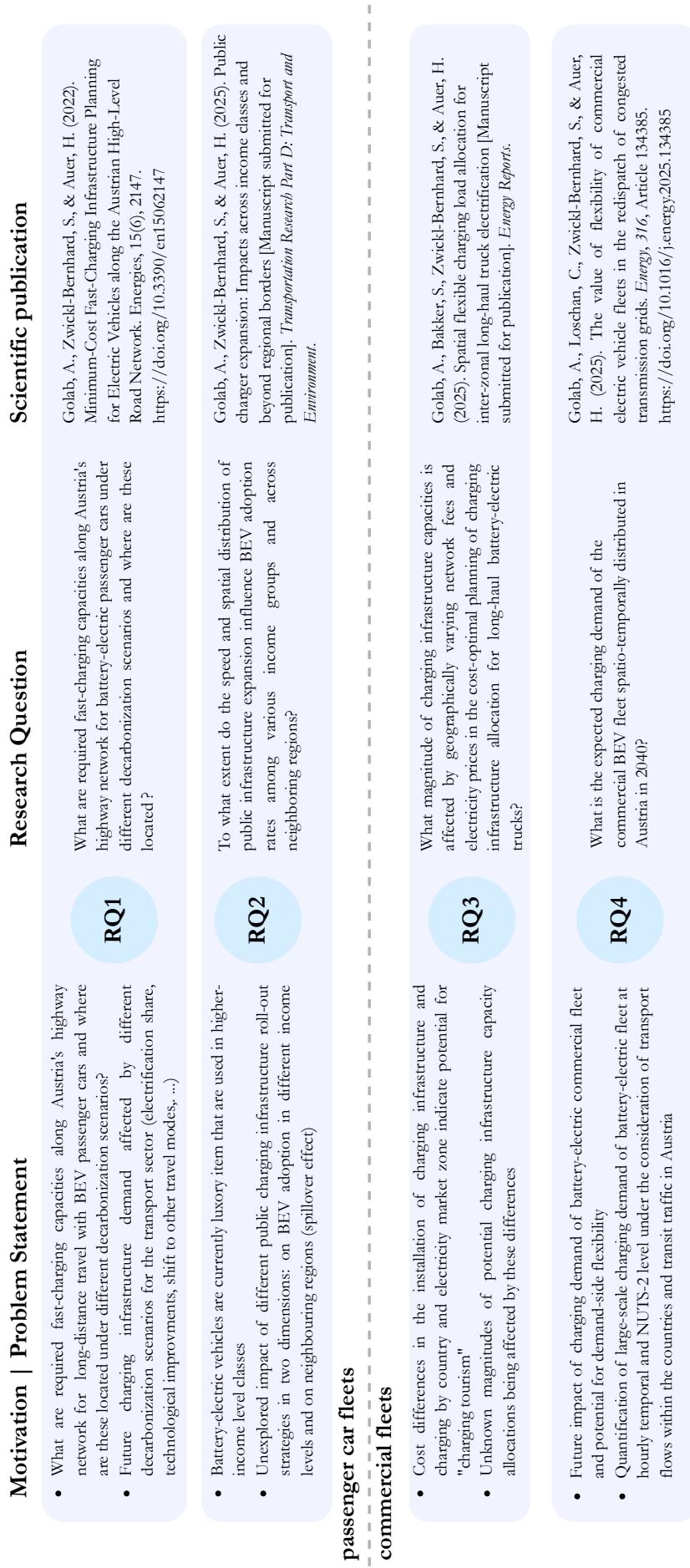


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Contributions by application segment of battery-electric vehicles

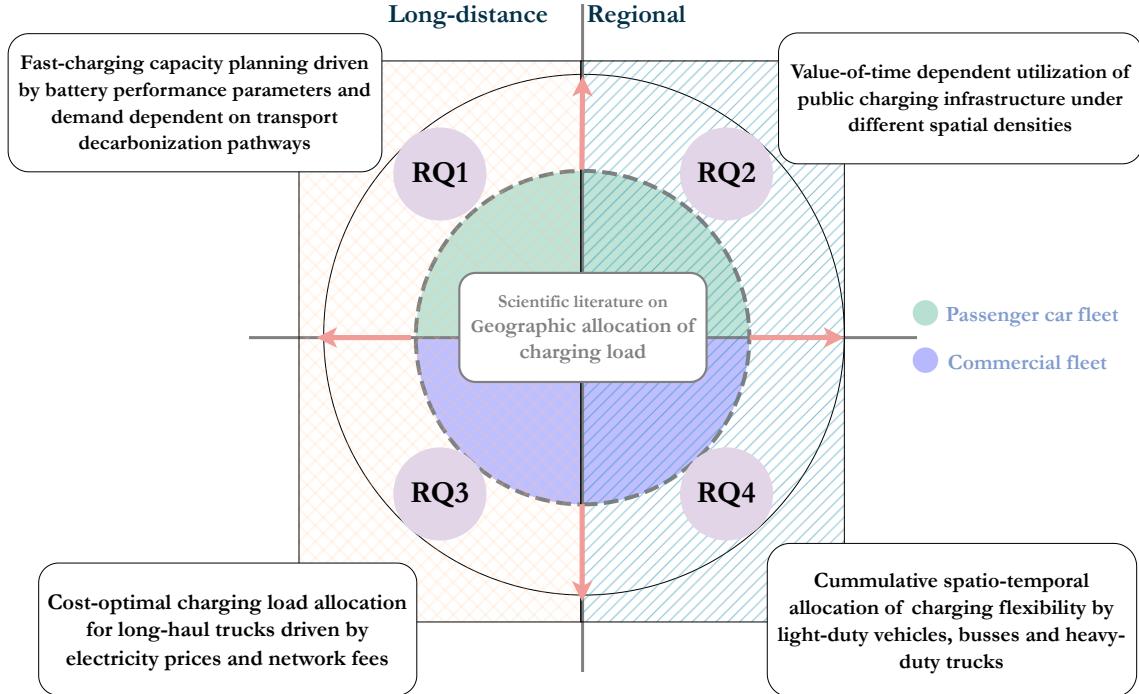


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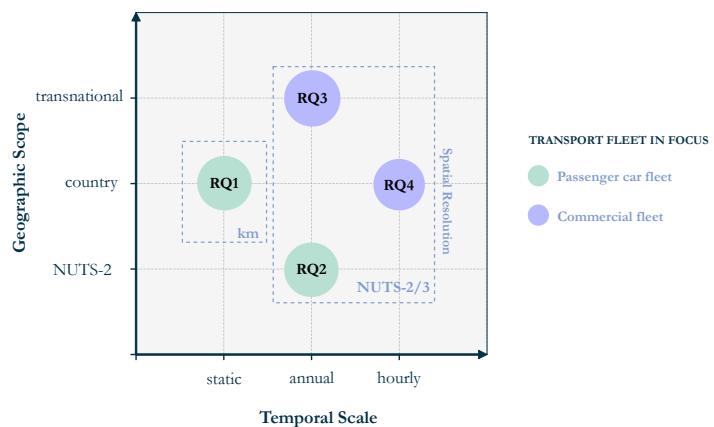


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1 Introduction

1.1 Background: Electrification of road transport sector

There is a high urgency in decarbonizing the transport sector to achieve the European Green Deal goals [1]. European countries have committed to reducing 90% of the greenhouse gas emissions from the transport sector by 2050. In 2023, the contribution to total European greenhouse gas emissions remained at 29%, and the road transport sector accounted for around 73% of the total transport-related emissions [2]. To achieve such significant reductions over the next two and a half decades, zero-emission drivetrain technologies need to be rapidly adopted on a large scale. At the forefront of these technologies stands the battery-electric drive-train.

A transition towards electrification in the transport sector has long been established as the cost-optimal pathway for effectively reducing fossil fuel demand in the transport sector [3]. This is primarily driven by the energy efficiency of direct electrification, as well as the low cost of electricity provided through renewable energy sources [4]. In particular, the battery-electric drivetrain has achieved significant technological and market maturity over the last decade, marked by substantial advances in charging speed, driving range, and continuously decreasing costs [5]. A clear trend is emerging, as evidenced by the rapidly increasing market share of battery-electric vehicles in new registrations across all road transport segments. In 2023, battery electric vehicles accounted for nearly 15% of all new car sales, while 40% of newly bought buses were electric and 10% of light and medium-haul commercial vehicles were battery-electric [6]. Yet this gradient in adoption has only begun to transform the existing fleet: as of 2023, just 1.8% of the EU passenger car fleet, 0.1% of trucks, and 2.5% of buses were electric [7]. This gap between zero-emission fleet numbers and total fleet composition underscores both the progress made and the scale of transformation still required.

This required transition towards electrified fleets is recognized and supported by European Union (EU) level policies. The EU Sustainable and Smart Mobility Strategy was published in 2020 [8]. This document presents a comprehensive view of decarbonizing and modernizing all transport modes, along with generalized milestones for achieving a 90% reduction in emissions. For road transport, it is specified that two systematic levers are essential. These include the uptake of zero-emission drive-train technologies, primarily battery-electric vehicles, and the shift of transport demand to lower-carbon modes, for example, rail¹. This strategy paper was followed by the Fit for 55 Package in 2021 [9]. This policy package encompasses regulations that aim for a reduction of at least 55% by 2030. To achieve this, regulations address CO₂ emission standards for road vehicles of different segments, regulations on the introduction of alternative fuels in the maritime and aviation and for charging and alternative fueling infrastructure. A significant regulation in this framework is the 100% CO₂ emission reduction target for new passenger cars

¹Another important lever is the reduction in service demand, achieved through decreased travel or transport of passengers and goods, and increased shared mobility.

from 2035. A central element in this framework is the Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Regulation (AFIR; Regulation (EU 2023/1804) [10], which sets binding targets on expanding charging infrastructure for battery-electric vehicles, including passenger and heavy-duty vehicles, in terms of distance-based targets for the core European road Network, the Trans-European Transport network (TEN-T) [11], and compulsory national targets. The distance-based targets indicate the distances along the network at which charging or alternative fueling stations should be installed. On the national level, the regulation addresses the minimum availability of charging capacity, which is dependent on the number of registered battery-electric vehicles in each country.

The build-up of charging infrastructure is vital to enable road transport electrification and, moreover, to support cost-effective transport and travel [12]. Demand-oriented siting of charger capacities has been identified as crucial to overcome range anxiety among BEV drivers and to provide convenient charging experiences [13]. In the commercial sector, well-located infrastructure also enables more time-efficient—and therefore more cost-efficient—charging operations. Furthermore, siting charging stations at locations of high utilization supports cost-effective infrastructure investments [14]. However, the quantification and geographic allocation of required charging capacities remain non-trivial problems. Capacity sizing must be balanced against infrastructure utilization, the integration with the electricity system adds another layer of complexity, and limited empirical experience—due to the currently low adoption numbers—constrains the understanding of how different factors in this problem interact [15].

1.2 Problem statement: Planning of charging infrastructure

The key challenge in determining charging demand for a defined geographic location is the *mobility* of vehicles, which, unlike for other energy consumers such as buildings or industrial sites, geographically extends the range of opportunities for allocating energy loads. This geographic flexibility is what makes planning for energy supply infrastructure, including charging infrastructure, fundamentally different from that of other consumer sectors.

This leads to the central problem statement addressed in this work, which is the spatial allocation problem of charging infrastructure that serves mobile consumers, i.e., vehicles embedded at a large geographic scope, i.e., beyond regions and countries.

This is practically urgent to two decision-making perspectives: First, transport policy makers and infrastructure planners who have to translate the regulations, such as the AFIR, into concrete investments in charging sites. These can include national, local authorities, or road network operators that are responsible for enabling, for example, by tendering or investing in local grid connection capacity, the build-up of the charging infrastructure. Second, operators of the transmission and electricity grid — of, both the transmission and distribution system — require long-term planning in the grid reinforcement to support increased peak loads through the charging of battery-electric vehicles and to integrate potential demand-side flexibilities for, for example, congestion management.

Therefore, this question of *where* charging capacities are needed is composed of different layers:

- A** Where is charging infrastructure *needed*?
- B** How does the spatial configuration *shape the demand and behavior*?
- C** How can the capacity be operated in an *electricity-system-friendly* way?

In addressing this group and all related questions, the applied analytical tools require the representation of spatial mobility in charging demand to capture where vehicles travel. Origin-destination data, coupled with network topology, provides exactly this. The use of origin-destination flow representation allows for consideration of flexibility in demand allocation for large fleets. Origin-destination data indicate the number of passengers or specific freight goods transported between two regions. From this, the traffic flow by location can be deduced, while also capturing the geographic extent of the movement of accumulated fleets.

Despite an extensive body of work in the scientific literature dedicated to answering questions around optimal charging capacity planning, several dimensions remain unexplored. These literature gaps primarily refer to the feedback between the planned infrastructure and charging behavior across different vehicle segments. Through the representation of our analysis using origin-destination data and traffic flow, we integrate the spatial extent of vehicle fleet movement, enabling us to model this feedback and gain novel insights on all three sub-questions that are mentioned above (**A**, **B** and **C**).

Motivation Problem Statement	Research Question	Scientific publication
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are required fast-charging capacities along Austria's highway network for long-distance travel with BEV passenger cars and where are these located under different decarbonization scenarios? • Future charging infrastructure demand affected by different decarbonization scenarios for the transport sector (electrification share, technological improvements, shift to other travel modes, ...) 	<p>RQ1</p> <p>What are required fast-charging capacities along Austria's highway network for battery-electric passenger cars under different decarbonization scenarios and where are these located?</p>	<p>Golab, A., Zwickl-Bernhard, S., & Auer, H. (2022). Minimum-Cost Fast-Charging Infrastructure Planning for Electric Vehicles along the Austrian High-Level Road Network. <i>Energies</i>, 15(6), 2147. https://doi.org/10.3390/en15062147</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Battery-electric vehicles are currently luxury item that are used in higher-income level classes • Unexplored impact of different public charging infrastructure roll-out strategies in two dimensions: on BEV adoption in different income levels and on neighbouring regions (spillover effect) 	<p>RQ2</p> <p>To what extent do the speed and spatial distribution of public infrastructure expansion influence BEV adoption rates among various income groups and across neighboring regions?</p>	<p>Golab, A., Zwickl-Bernhard, S., & Auer, H. (2025). Public charger expansion: Impacts across income classes and beyond regional borders [Manuscript submitted for publication]. <i>Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment</i>.</p>
passenger car fleets		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost differences in the installation of charging infrastructure and charging by country and electricity market zone indicate potential for "charging tourism" • Unknown magnitudes of potential charging infrastructure capacity allocations being affected by these differences 	<p>RQ3</p> <p>What magnitude of charging infrastructure capacities is affected by geographically varying network fees and electricity prices in the cost-optimal planning of charging infrastructure allocation for long-haul battery-electric trucks?</p>	<p>Golab, A., Bakker, S., Zwickl-Bernhard, S., & Auer, H. (2025). Spatial flexible charging load allocation for inter-zonal long-haul truck electrification [Manuscript submitted for publication]. <i>Energy Reports</i>.</p>
commercial fleets		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future impact of charging demand of battery-electric commercial fleet and potential for demand-side flexibility • Quantification of large-scale charging demand of battery-electric fleet at hourly temporal and NUTS-2 level under the consideration of transport flows within the countries and transit traffic in Austria 	<p>RQ4</p> <p>What is the expected charging demand of the commercial BEV fleet spatio-temporally distributed in Austria in 2040?</p>	<p>Golab, A., Loschan, C., Zwickl-Bernhard, S., & Auer, H. (2025). The value of flexibility of commercial electric vehicle fleets in the redispach of congested transmission grids. <i>Energy</i>, 316, Article 134385. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.energy.2025.134385</p>

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1.3 Thesis' research questions

The thesis addresses four research questions that extend the state-of-the-art literature on geographic allocation of future charging capacity requirements. Each of the research questions is addressed within a scientific journal paper. Figure 1.1 displays an overview of the articles characterized by the addressed problem statement, research question, and specifications on the corresponding publication.

Figure 1.2 illustrates the contextualization of the paper in the state-of-the-art literature. The papers' insights extend the state of the art in various directions, reflecting on the diversity of BEV application segments that are characterized by different requirements for the charging infrastructure allocation. The first and second contribution addresses the private passenger car segment, while the third and fourth, focus on commercial vehicles fleets. Moreover, the focus of contributions one and three lie on the charging infrastructure planning for long-distance applications. Contributions two and four address the charging of vehicle used for shorter distances. The key difference here lies in the charging activity allocated en route.

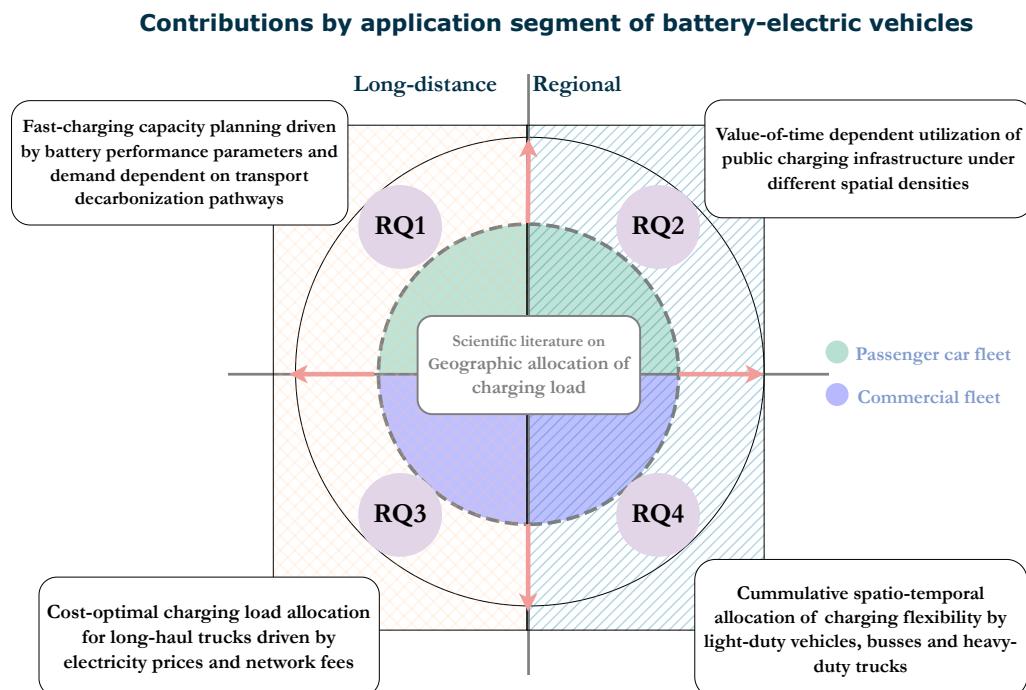


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1.3.1 Research question 1 (RQ1)

The first contribution addresses the spatial allocation of fast-charging infrastructure for battery-electric passenger cars along highway networks. Long-distance travel by car depends on the availability of en-route charging, yet planning such infrastructure involves considerable uncertainty regarding future demand [15]. This demand is shaped by the technical characteristics of the electrified fleet (notably battery capacity and specific energy consumption), the share of battery-electric vehicles in the total fleet, and potential shifts in travel behaviour — including modal shift and overall demand reduction [16]. The challenge lies in ensuring sufficient geographic coverage to enable long-distance electric mobility while avoiding overcapacity that results from overly optimistic or misaligned assumptions. We apply a traffic flow-based optimization approach to the Austrian highway network to quantify fast-charging capacity requirements under a range of decarbonization scenarios for 2030, addressing the following research question:

Research question 1 (RQ1): What are the required fast-charging capacities along Austria’s highway network for battery-electric passenger cars under different decarbonization scenarios, and where are these allocated?

In particular, this paper contributes to the understanding of the impact of technological advances on battery performance parameters, i.e., the charging efficiency and the driving range, of the traveling fleet along the highway network on the cost-optimal geographic allocation of charging stations. To analyze this, a mixed-integer linear program is proposed that considers the flexible allocation of charging demand under the consideration of local magnitudes of traffic flow, the network topology, and parameters of the battery and charging stations. Fast-charging capacities are determined at high geographic resolution for explicit service areas. Based on energy system decarbonization scenarios and sensitivity analysis, an understanding of these parameters on the fast-charger requirements is gained.

1.3.2 Research question 2 (RQ2)

Public charging infrastructure plays a key role in enabling the adoption of passenger BEVs at a large scale. Early adopters of BEVs are characterized by high income and homeownership; adopters of lower income are dependent on affordable and accessible public charging infrastructure. Empirical case studies have found that there is a disparity in the availability for potential adopters of different income classes [17]. In the long term, BEV adoption must extend across all socio-economic backgrounds [12]. This broader adoption will shift reliance from home charging—currently central to BEV use—toward public charging infrastructure. Such a shift is particularly relevant given that lower-income households are more likely to travel longer distances to reach affordable charging facilities [18].

Along with this large-scale adoption, the flexibility in the geographic allocation of the charging activity increases through the increasing driving range [19]. Empirical studies have shown cross-

border impacts of local public charging infrastructure to neighboring regions and countries, which is likely to increase with the spatial flexibility [20], [21].

Bringing these drivers of these aspects together in the context of public charging infrastructure expansion at the regional level, the research question is as follows:

Research question 2: To what extent do the speed and spatial distribution of public charging infrastructure expansion influence BEV adoption rates among various income groups and across neighboring regions?

We introduce here intangible costs of consumers that vary by income class levels to a techno-economic optimization to reflect on tolerances of time consumption on detouring to re-charge as well as tolerance for the time consumption of charging. Impacts across regions are analysed with the consideration of commuter traffic and the potential to flexibly allocate the charging activity between origin and destination charging. This contribution particularly highlights income-class-dependent preferences for charger utilization and quantifies the cross-border impact.

1.3.3 Research question 3 (RQ3)

In the third contribution, the focus lies on long-haul international trucking. The variable costs of fueling or charging are an essential driver of transportation costs. For fossil-fueled trucks, the country-dependent regulations of diesel taxation have determined allocations of the fueling activity [16]. As there are country-dependent charging costs that are driven, by, next to taxation, local network fees and electricity-zone-dependent electricity prices [22], [23], this phenomenon will shift, with the adoption of battery-electric trucks, also to allocation of charging loads. This can lead to high concentrations of charging load in high-unfavorable locations in the electricity system. This leads to the following research question:

Research question 3: What magnitude of charging infrastructure capacities is affected by geographically varying network fees and electricity prices in the cost-optimal planning of charging infrastructure allocation for long-haul battery-electric trucks?

Addressing this question, we analyze the impact of geographically varying charging costs on the cost-optimal allocation and the route-dependent adoption of battery-electric trucks. International origin-destination truck flows are used as input for the cost optimization of fleet turnover, charging infrastructure development, and charging activities. In various electricity and technology pricing scenarios, we observe how local small charging costs along a corridor can lead to a high concentration of charging load, and, further, how local intervention in charging prices can prevent this.

1.3.4 Research question 4 (RQ 4)

With the electrification of the commercial fleet, large peak charging power levels are expected. The large-scale requirements in shifting charging loads in time to minimize required investments into grid capacity and balancing energy have been demonstrated by many studies [24]. For this, the spatio-temporal distribution of the future charging loads and flexibility potentials of different vehicle segments within an electricity market zone are required. The fourth contribution [25] addresses the modeling of charging loads across multiple vehicle segments, integrating both, regional and interregional travel, for the case of Austria in 2040:

Research question 4 (RQ4): What is the expected charging demand of the commercial BEV fleet spatio-temporally distributed in Austria in 2040?

The methodology integrates both local and interregional transport patterns to estimate accumulated charging demands and flexibility potentials. The consideration of the interregional transport is hereby based on, again, traffic flow patterns that include national and transit transport going through Austria. This analysis showcases a bottom-up modeling of charging patterns implying the significant differences of charging flexibility by geographically varying transport demands by segments that are, moreover, dictated by transport flows along the highway network.

1.4 Outline of the thesis

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2 Review of State-of-the-Art & Progress Beyond

2.1 The electrification of the private passenger cars sector

2.1.1 Towards large-scale electrification of passenger car fleets

The pathways towards a carbon-emission-free passenger transport sector are most times determined by three complementary levers: the reduction of travel demand, the shifting of demand towards low-carbon modes and the implementation of zero-emission technologies [REF]. While the first two levers require substantial behavioral and structural changes, the technological transformation allows for maintaining the current comfort and flexibility provided by current private passenger car fleets [REF].

For technological substitution, the transformation towards a passenger car fleet of battery-electric vehicles has been solidified to be the most cost-efficient way to decarbonize. This has been extensively demonstrated: Studies on the total cost of ownership show the cost benefits of battery-electric passenger cars that stem mainly from ... ? [REF]. Life cycle analyses show significant reductions in carbon emissions due to the usage of battery-electric vehicles, best achieved with renewable electricity sources. This sector-overarching cost-efficiency has been also evident in studies applying energy system models to quantify decarbonization pathways in the energy system under various future scenarios of policies, [REF]. The performance parameters of the battery-electric drive-train, particularly the driving range and charging speed, have significantly improved during the last decades and this, together with future trajectories, paint a clear picture on the system-wide benefit of the large-scale adoption of battery-electric vehicles.

With the current fleet of ... Mio. battery-electric passenger cars versus ... fossil-fueled passenger cars world-wide, the battery-electric vehicle is still in the early adoption phase [REF]. Empirical research has shown that early adopters are characterized by high income and home ownership [REF]. The cost of purchase are currently a prominent barrier to the purchase of a battery-electric vehicles [REF]. In many countries, particularly, throughout European countries, this barrier has been tackled through subsidization [REF]. The costs of BEVs have significantly decreased and cost-parity has been achieved for different car models ?[REF]. Though, the purchase of a battery-electric vehicle remains unattainable by lower-income classes due to (a) the lack of availability in the range of car models, most battery-electric vehicles being luxury cars, (b) the subsidization of the purchase costs being increasingly removed from policies, and (c) most lower-income class people buy vehicles from the second-hand market, for BEVs this has not been established yet.

[REFs] have reviewed socio-economic barriers to BEV adoption. These include *Mention/acknowledge here most prominent other barriers.* A prominent hinderer of the large-scale

adoption of battery-electric vehicles, is the *range anxiety*, which relates to the fear of the potential lack of charging infrastructure [REF 13]. This fear is also driven by the shorter driving ranges of BEVs than internal combustion engine cars. Further, the increased time for refueling the vehicle by the charging processes being substantially longer than a typical refueling of diesel or petrol, is perceived as inconvenient. These perceived inconveniences and fears of potential adopters relate to technical aspects that have been tackled by the following:

- significant improvements in the battery technology performance, driving range, and charging power
- that most traveled routes are of lengths below the driving range, making the battery capacities sufficient
- convenient charging opportunities that align with downtime of vehicles, and may even provide
- *now making the point of other fast charging is needed* — sufficient charger network is needed to reduce the fear of a potential lack, i.e. range anxiety; and the provision of charging at higher power levels to enable long-distance travel is vital

Lead questions:

- *What are the driving dimensions of the decarbonization of the private passenger car sector? shift—improve—avoid; How does the electrification fit here? TCO, LCA,*
- *What have been most effective incentives?*
- *What are the main drivers of the electrification of passenger car fleet?*
- *Who is adopting the vehicles?*
- *What are the barriers to overcome — for large-scale adoption? on social level; range anxiety, charging duration, availability of BE passenger car models*
- **Main outcomes should be:**
 - unclear development of the demand and electrification (paper 1 contribution point)
 - Income is plays an important role here (paper 2 contribution point)
 - at end: transition to the role of charging infrastructure availability

There are four main potential drivers to counteract increasing greenhouse gas emissions in the face of rising travel demand: avoidance of journeys, shift to low-carbon modes, fuel substitution, and improvements in energy efficiency [4, 26, 27]. These drivers are deeply intertwined, and their

effectiveness is rooted in technological progress, social learning, and infrastructure adoptions [4, 28]. Priemus et al. [29] describes the close relationship between people's mobility behavior and spatial infrastructure planning, indicating that modal shift can only happen effectively as a response to changes in transport network infrastructure. Similarly, Briggs et al. [30] finds that infrastructure planning decisions affect the modal split long-term, for over multiple decades, and can therefore also form a macro-level barrier to climate mitigation [31]. Infrastructure changes supporting climate-friendly mobility include the expansion of the railway system and construction of sidewalks and cycling routes, essentially aimed toward a reduction in motorized transport [28, 32]. Other motivators in changing mobility behavior include monetary incentives, such as the adjustment of travel costs, costs of vehicle ownership or parking charges [33, 34].

To decarbonize the passenger transport sector, the introduction of electromobility plays an important role [35, 36]. Life cycle assessments revealed that electric vehicles emit less greenhouse gas emissions over their lifetime than internal-combustion-engine vehicles [37, 38]. These assessments also highlight that the positive effect of electric vehicles is highly dependent on the shares of renewable energy sources in the energy mix. Costa et al. [39] found that measures related to behavioral changes have overall similar potential to technological improvements in climate change mitigation. Dillman et al. [40] argued similarly, finding that measures combining changes in travel behavior and technological improvements are the most effective in the decarbonization of passenger transport.

The level of income has been proven to be a significant predictor for the purchase of a battery-electric vehicle in many studies [41]. The amount of disposable income influences the frequency of the acquisition of a new passenger car and whether it is purchased on the first or second-hand market [42, 43]. There exists a wide range of choice models that relate the decision of BEV purchase to socio-economic variables and reveal the influence of different factors, such as the income level, home ownership, household size, a person's attitude towards renewable technologies, and availability of charging infrastructure [41, 44]. Gazmeh et al. [17] identify large disparities in charging infrastructure roll-out in different neighborhoods and find that higher-income communities have significantly better access to public charging infrastructure than lower-income communities. Stefaniec et al. [45] analyse such disparities for Ireland and conclude that, to effectively increase the adoption of BEVs in lower-income classes, prices of BEVs need to decrease and the deployment of public charging infrastructure in lower-income areas needs to be subsidized.

2.1.2 Role of charging infrastructure roll-out for passenger cars

Charging infrastructure is categorized by the power level, the use case, and access type [REF]. Home charging is typically at low voltage levels, providing charging directly to the parked car at the parking spot at home. This is currently the most popular way to charge as current users of BEVs are home owners [REF] and this provides the most convenient and cost-efficient way to charge [REF]. Often times, the BEVs at home chargers are integrated directly in the

home energy management system, co-optimized with the home PV electricity production, battery storage and/or other home appliances. Similar to home charging, *work charging* offers charging at a daily regular parking place. This is highly limited though, and the provision of work charging depends on the At public charging stations, consumers are currently faced with higher charging prices that are due to the provision of charging at higher power levels, but also the markup stems from uncertainties of future demand at the installed charging stations [REF].

Public charging plays here to role of ... *include some deeper meaning of this statement.* TODO: find a study that addresses the significance of the charging infrastructure. Public charging infrastructure mirrors current fueling stations but is mostly allocated at parking places due to the longer refueling times for the vehicle. *TODO: find convenient way to bridge the words fueling and charging, same principle but not same words.*

Public charging infrastructure is coarsely divided into *slow* and *fast* charging. Public charging infrastructure is mostly allocated to provide (a) coverage, but also convenience (b). The convenience often corresponds to the overlap of charger timing with other activities, such as running errands, like shopping. This led to the allocation at *points of interest*. *Slow* charging provides here an opportunity to recharge during longer stays but also is an opportunity to charge during daily downtimes, during the night or day, providing a similar level of comfort as home or work charging. *Fast* charging provides the opportunity to recharge quickly, f.e, during errands, or for charging en-route. The efforts in developing fast chargers is to provide a similar refueling experience as the fueling at conventional fueling stations. *Fast charging* ... *TODO: include here some references on the proven significance of fast charging to the bev usage! (not adoption)*

From the business case perspective, the challenge lies here to balance the investments and the competitiveness in charging prices with the uncertainty surrounding expected charging demand and growth of the demand at a charging site [REF]. This leads to increased pricing of charging at charging stations.

Simultaneously, there is an access gap in the home charging that correlates also with the income level of passenger car owners [REF]. Therefore, this group is especially dependent on the access to the public access to charging infrastructure, and, with this, also facing higher charging prices than car owner using the home charger regularly. Simultaneously, charging points operators are more likely to allocate charging stations in communities of high income, due to higher certainty in the adoption of BEVs and, therefore, charging demand [45]. Therefore, the equity in charging stations allocation is an important factor, along with subsidization and other monetary-based incentives, to support the rapid adoption across all income classes [12].

In scientific literature, the relationship effect between the local charging infrastructure development and the uptake of BEVs remains unclear. Range anxiety is directly related to the absence of charging infrastructure, and poses a psychological barrier to the adoption of BEVs [13]. Illmann and Kluge [46] find an evident causality between the deployment of public charging infrastructure and the uptake of BEVs in German communities. Another finding of their study is that the uptake is more affected by the charging speed provided at the charging stations, rather than the number of chargers themselves. Similar is found in the work of White et al. [47] who conduct an

analysis for three U.S. metropolitan areas. In their work, no direct impact of range anxiety on the BEV adoption is found. Their key finding is that higher spatial densities of public charging infrastructure increase the social perceived social pressure to adopt BEVs.

Beyond the local impact of charging infrastructure, empirical studies have also shown that the local expansion of public charging infrastructure also has an impact beyond the respective region [20], [21]. The spatial spillover effect of transport-related infrastructures is common in transport infrastructure investment as it directly results from the network nature and interregional connectivity of good transport and travel [48], [49], [50]. In the work of Qian et al. [20], a retrospective analysis of the relationship between the charging infrastructure capacity within a region and the BEV adoption in neighboring regions was conducted. They find that, particularly in centrally allocated regions, fast chargers have a positive impact on the BEV adoption in neighboring regions. Sheng et al. [21] analyzes cross-regional impacts in New Zealand. A critical finding is that empirical analysis reveals that public charging infrastructure in neighboring areas has a more significant impact on local BEV adoption than locally installed charging infrastructure. Both these papers, by Sheng et al. [21] and Qian et al. [20], emphasize in their conclusion that charging infrastructure planning needs to be under the consideration of a spatially holistic perspective, i.e., across borders, to effectively support battery-electric vehicle adoption.

Lead questions:

- *What types of charging infrastructure exist?*
- *What role does each of these do play? What do they provide (f.e. convenience, en-route, public charging etc.)*
- *Home charging access gap*
- *Grid connection as a constraint! — what role does this play here? does it play a vital role?*
- *why is it now so difficult to allocate charging infrastructure?*
- *first: where is the demand? (This is already part of the paragraph on the role of each of the charging stations)*
- *Bridge to allocation of the infrastructure*
- *spatial layouts of charging infrastructure: WHERE? pois, housing areas, parking spaces,*
- *what about cross-border impacts?*
- *and spatial density of charging station availability?*
- **Main outcomes should be:**

- fast charging is reducing range anxiety (paper 1)
- equitable distribution of public charging is lacking (paper 2)

The term *fast-charging* generally encompasses AC charging at capacities higher than 22 kW and DC charging at high power levels [51]. These chargers are found within the public charging infrastructure [52]. The expansion and densification of the public charging infrastructure have been used as important incentives to increase the adoption of electric vehicles in many countries [53, 54]. However, it should be noted that requirements for public charging infrastructure significantly vary between different countries and regions [46, 53, 55, 56]. In an extensive literature review on motivators and barriers for electro-mobility adoption in Europe, Biresselioglu et al. [57] found that the lack of public infrastructure poses a barrier to widespread battery-electric vehicle usage. Moreover, the availability of public charging allows for longer trip lengths and reduces the phenomenon of range anxiety [58, 59]. Studies suggest that with increasing adoption, the importance of sufficient public charging infrastructure will increase as more vehicles will be owned by people without private parking [55, 60].

Illmann and Kluge [46] found that charging speed plays a more important role than the density of public charging infrastructure in adoption decisions, with consumers preferring fewer fast chargers over many slow-charging stations. Similar results were obtained by Globisch et al. [61], who found that lower charging duration is valued over higher spatial density and lower charging fees. Gebauer et al. [62] demonstrated that potential users perceive the future of electromobility more positively in the presence of more widespread DC fast-charging.

Among the most important locations of fast chargers are service areas along highways [63]. Densification of fast-charging infrastructure along highways is aimed for by means of tendering processes that motivate parking place owners to install charging stations [64]. Such measures are imposed to tackle the “chicken-egg” conundrum between potential buyers needing charging infrastructure availability and private businesses reluctant to build infrastructure due to lack of demand [65]. Jochem et al. [66] argued that running fast-charging infrastructure along main highway corridors will become profitable due to high demand and willingness to pay. A core challenge in deploying fast-charging stations is the need for sufficient connection to the power grid, which can heavily increase capital expenditures [67, 68]. Studies have suggested how limitations imposed by grid connection can be addressed through battery storage systems, on-site electricity generation, price signals and scheduled charging [67, 69, 70, 71].

In scientific literature, the particular impact of public charging infrastructure on the decision to purchase a BEV has not been fully clear [47]. There exists evidence of range anxiety, which relates directly to the fear of the potential lack of available charging infrastructure [13]. Moreover, there exists an evident correlation between the available public charging infrastructure capacities and the share of BEVs in the passenger car fleet within a given area [72]. The analysis presented in [73] reveals positive causality between charging infrastructure and BEV adoption that persists in the long run. White et al. [47] conduct a similar analysis for three metropolitan regions in the U.S. and find that the most significant impact that public charging infrastructure has is

on social norms. The choice of mode for passengers is evidently influenced by the travel time, which can be monetized by measuring how time is subjectively perceived by a consumer group [18]. The charging time is often reported to be a barrier to BEV adoption and therefore levers for BEV adoption include technical improvements in charging speed and convenient allocation of charging infrastructure [74, 75].

Concerning equity in infrastructure roll-out, Hopkins et al. [12] give an overview of policy packages for enabling the equitable roll-out of public charging infrastructure. Key levers for increasing BEV adoption among lower-income classes include the availability of second-hand BEVs together with supporting grants, and the allocation of public charging infrastructure with affordable tariffs close to homes. Bhatt et al. [76] design a framework for assessing equity in public charging infrastructure based on the proximity of charging stations to homes of BEV owners. One significant reason for disparities in infrastructure availability is the lack of charging demand stemming from the lack of BEV ownership in lower-income areas, which makes the deployment of charging infrastructure there not profitable for charging point operators [12].

There is evidence of the spatial spillover effect of transport infrastructure investments on economic activity beyond the regions where these investments are made [48]. These effects occur mainly due to the network nature and inter-regional connectivity. Sporkmann et al. [49] analyze the relation between national transport infrastructure capacities in European countries and carbon emissions in neighboring countries. In terms of long-term BEV adoption, studies have found significant interaction between the roll-out of public charging infrastructure and adoption in neighboring regions. Qian et al. [20] analyzes this relationship between neighboring US States and finds that the accessibility of slow chargers has a significant impact on adoption in neighboring States, particularly due to fast charger deployment. Sheng et al. [21] conduct a similar empirical analysis in New Zealand, finding that public charging infrastructure in neighboring areas has a more significant impact on local BEV adoption than locally installed infrastructure.

2.2 Battery-electric vehicle adoption in commercial fleets

2.2.1 Electrification across commercial fleet segments

Somewhere I should include the definition of commercial fleets – maybe in the beginning of the text? s The core difference to the passenger sector is cost-efficiency as the core driving force (compared to social aspects and personal freedom aspect in the private passenger car ownership). The three aforementioned decarbonization levers in the passenger transport sector also apply to the commercial transport sector — reducing demand, shifting demand towards low-carbon modes and replacing conventional driver-trains and substituting fuels [REF]. In regard to the commercial road transport sector, this translates to two concrete changes that drive the carbon emission reduction. The option of alternative modes is mostly limited to rail. Though the shift is substantially limited by (1) the cost-competitiveness starting at longer ranges, (2) the bottleneck

of the rail infrastructure transport capacity with simultaneous high investment needed to add capacities, and (3) the flexibility in the vehicle is very restricted, due to the limiting track-based application and the last-mile problem remains. This is mainly discussed and applicable for *long-haul* applications.

Therefore, similar as in the private passenger fleet, the direct electrification of drive-trains is the primary way to decarbonize- *maybe restructure here so that main lever = electrification/technology substitution; then other two*

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Though other than in the private passenger car fleet, the vehicle segments are significantly more diverse, specifically in the daily ranges and the transported weights in the application. This has also led to the significance of other fuels and drive-train technologies other than the battery-electric drivetrain, in the technology substitution. While, for light-duty applications, the battery-electric vehicles have been, similarly as in the passenger car sector, the clear solution for reducing fossil fuel consumption, for heavy-duty applications, the picture has been significantly less clear. Zero-emission options narrow down to the battery-electric vehicle and hydrogen fuel-cell electric vehicles. While, in the general perspective, the battery-electric vehicle technology significantly exceeds in the cost-effectiveness, these costs increase substantially for long-haul heavy-duty applications, primarily due to payload losses caused by heavy batteries required to overcome the long-haul ranges and transport heavy goods [77]. In the work of Noll et al. [78], the total costs of ownership for different drive-trains of trucks of different segments are analysed for the different European countries. The authors find that for light- and medium-duty applications, the cost-benefits of the battery-electric drive-trains are clear. For long-haul heavy-duty applications, the cost competitiveness varies substantially by country. The driver for these lie primarily in the operational expenditures (OPEX), the country-dependent tolls and the relative difference in fuel prices, i.e., between diesel and electricity prices. Hydrogen fuel-cell electric trucks have also been pushed in the policy making [where exactly? AFIR?] but the recent developments in battery-electric drive-train technology have increased the advantages in the application of battery-electric vehicles [REF], essentially making this option substantially more cost-efficient. The main reasons for this are discussed in the publication by Plötz [79]: **....**. The core message of this paper is that the core challenges of implementing battery-electric trucks for long-haul applications, specifically the long charging times and limited range, have been overcome. Against this background, the article challenges the need for using hydrogen fuel cell electric trucks, and concludes that *... not sure about this statement yet, if this is needed*

Lead questions

- *What is the commercial sector?*

¹An important lever to mention is here also the reduction of transport demand through increased rationalization of production and industry. Though, in general, the trend concerning this is rather negative. Therefore, it is not frequently discussed as a forefront solution.

- *What are the driving forces here? (parallel to the social component — here its more cost-efficiency-driven — what are these costs driven by? fuel costs.., drivers, –...)*
- *Acknowledgment of fuel cell electric vehicles?*
- *What are the technical difficulties and how are these different by vehicle segment?*
- *What changes or impacts the logistic process through the electrification? tonnage, charging activity, safety*
- *What is the risk through electrification? (how does it impact the cost-efficient logistic process?)*
- **Main outcomes**
 - The fleet development is cost-driven?
 - range and weight are difficult
 - charging infrastructure placement is important here to align with logistic processes and provide cost-efficient charging
- *other fuels only play a role under assumed constraints on the availability or possibility of installing charging stations, so, f.e., no possibility to install charging station (or temperature related concerns) but these concerns are quickly invalidated, f.e. bev application in nordic country; and are not relevant at large scale; mostly concerned with that the electric grid expansion and elec system will not be ready for it*

For the decarbonization in the transport sector, new technologies as well as the shift to different modes are important levers discussed in the Smart Mobility Strategy by the EU [80]. In the road transport sector, the direct electrification of vehicle drive-trains is supported by literature to be the most cost-effective and efficient measure to defossilize the sector on a large scale [79, 81]. The introduction of this new technology is connected to requirements in structural changes, such as the deployment of charging infrastructure, as well as changes in logistic processes and travel behavior [82]. This is particularly a challenge for commercial vehicles, such as trucks and buses [83]. This electrification comes with a significant additional electricity demand but also provides demand-side flexibility [84].

Currently, the electrification of the commercial fleet is in significantly earlier stages than the private passenger vehicle sector. One early and significant adopter in the commercial fleet sector is the light-duty truck segment [85]. Other commercial vehicle types that are used for heavy duty require bigger battery capacities due to higher specific energy consumption and longer trip ranges. To overcome this, overhead lines have been used to power electric buses; trolley buses have been in operation in urban applications in some European cities since around the mid of

last century [86]. Due to difficulties in the social acceptance of installing new overhead lines, the adoption of electric buses that are exclusively battery-powered is becoming the most common in the electrification of city bus fleets [87]. Moreover, short-haul applications of heavy-duty trucks are projected to be adopted soon [78].

2.2.2 Charging infrastructure for battery-electric trucks

In the switch to battery-electric vehicles in the commercial sector, the integration of the time-consuming charging activities into operational schedules, business practices, and logistics processes is a particular challenge. A further factor in integrating the charging activities is the cost-optimal charging. The most cost-effective way is at low power levels (up until 100kW) overnight at depots and home bases of fleets. For this, fleet operators need to invest in on-site reinforcement of grid connection capacity and investment in charging infrastructure [88] [REF some paper that plans charging infrastructure for a depot]. With additional on-site renewable electricity production and smart charging, costs for charging can be even more decreased [REF].

Opportunity charging at depots during shift changes of (un-)loading activities offer complementary charging opportunities [REF] *specify here which vehicle segments... busses should be also somewhere included*

Public charging infrastructure play a supporting role in ... *Write here on the role of public charging infrastructure*

In the electrification of long-haul trucking, charging opportunities along highway networks play an important role. Both, slow charging and fast charging support the integration to the transport route by providing charging during the driver's obligatory break times en-route [REF]. The fast charging opportunities are for charging during the obligatory breaks of 45 min. It is typically at high power levels. Currently charging at around 350kW is offered, soon trucks will be able to charge at 1 MW - which is also called megawatt charging [REF]. Slow charging is for longer, overnight breaks. Due to the sufficient range of BEVs [REF Plötz], this charging opportunities can be sufficiently integrated into logistics [REF].

still need to think here of how to integrate here the large-scale perspective of system impacts

Lead questions:

- *What categories of charging infrastructure do we have? which commercial fleet segments do this cater to?*
- *What power levels do we have here?*

- *How quickly can these charges?*
- *How far do these also may impact logistic processes?*
- *What is megawatt charging?*
- *What are the dangers or opportunities here for the electricity system? (difference to passenger cars?)*
- **Main outcome:**
 - slow charging the preferred way which is convenient for mobility patterns that have daily range small than the technically possible range
 - en-route charging at depots or along highway stations required;
 - particular challenge here is: the provision of sufficient infrastructure, to avoid congestion and prolong transport time;
 - therefore it needs to be enroute!
 - en-route: using EU regulation hours with *charging windows*

Scherrer et al. [89] describe existing barriers to the technology switch to battery-powered medium- and heavy-duty trucks for fleet operators in Germany. The major barriers refer to the challenges in the deployment of high-power-level charging infrastructure and the difficulty of adopting operational patterns to the need for being flexible in the timing and location of the charging process. Given this, extensive research is dedicated to the optimal integration of the charging process in operational schedules. This encompasses the geographic allocation of charging stations and the determination of optimal timing and position of the charging process, as well as the optimization of the charging load curve during the plug-in time [90, 91, 92]. The overall preferred charging strategy with regards to avoiding major alterations of current operational schedules is charging during downtime, i.e., outside of operation times, during night time or during weekend days, or during obligatory rest times of the driver [90, 93]. In this context, the build-up of charging capacity at depots and megawatt charging points along the route, particularly for long-haul applications, is vital [94].

Particularly for slow-charging processes, the power level during the charging process is of interest and is aimed to be coordinated cost-efficiently. On the one hand, continuously charging at low power levels is a lower risk for battery degradation, and investments for the local grid reinforcements and charging capacity can be saved [88]. On the other hand, a variable power level throughout the charging process can be utilized to coordinate with volatile day-ahead electricity prices and to participate in balancing and congestion markets [84, 95].

2.3 Modeling of charging demand, charging infrastructure capacities, and roll-out

2.3.1 Graph-based charging infrastructure allocation

[96]: review on the different models; [97]: also review; [98]: is also a review; going into different stake-holder perspectives [99]: Spatiotemporal planning of electric vehicle charging infrastructure: Demand estimation and grid-aware optimization under uncertainty [100]: another review (2025) A graph representation of a street network is frequently used for the allocation of charging stations as it allows to reflect high spatial resolution in modeling while simplifying complex networks without suffering from information loss [96, 97]. Edges typically represent connections between nodes, and nodes represent junctions or ends of edges. Metais et al. [96] differentiated between node-based and flow-based approaches. In node-based approaches, charging demand is assigned to nodes based on population density and the goal is to allocate charging infrastructure such that as much demand as possible is covered at nodes. Contrary, flow-based approaches aim to allocate charging stations along edges through which the highest vehicle flows occur. This approach requires origin-destination data describing the traffic load between all nodes in the network, which is not always available [101]. Metais et al. [96] concluded that both approaches offer benefits: node-based approaches offer input data simplicity and the ability to regard charging capacity, while flow-based approaches succeed in reflecting the nature of traffic flow. Furthermore, the authors stated that the combination of both approaches may yield the most robust charging station allocation model.

Overall, the proposed methodologies encompass mostly extensions of the basic formulations of node- and flow-based approaches while using various optimization techniques, such as genetic algorithm, particle swarm optimization and integer programming, as well as iterative algorithms [102]. Most commonly, objective functions are formulated as minimization of charging infrastructure installation costs and driver expenses, maximization of charged vehicles, and minimization of failed trips. Worley et al. [103] proposed an allocation model where nodes represent service area positions, and optimized allocation using integer programming to minimize total costs of installation, recharging, and transportation. Wang et al. [104] optimized highway charging infrastructure allocation with regard to minimizing charging time, queuing, driver costs and deployment costs using a multistage equilibrium-model with origin-destination data. Jochem et al. [66] used the flow-based approach, minimized the number of charging points in the network, and conducted calculations on sizing based on flow coverage. Yan [105] also followed a flow-based approach and proposed a two-stage genetic algorithm with multi-objective formulation to minimize construction costs and charging costs. Napoli et al. [106] developed an iterative allocation algorithm correlating the distance between charging stations with the driving range of vehicles. Csiszár et al. [107] designed a sequential selection of positions based on traffic volume and nearby settlement population.

In these studies, driving range was commonly used as an indicator for maximum distance between

charging stations. Csiszár et al. [107] found that with increasing range, the number of serviced vehicles by a given charging network increases. Kavianipour et al. [108] analyzed the effect of increasing driving range and charging power, indicating that with technological developments, required investment costs sink as fewer charging points and less charging capacity need to be installed. Wang et al. [109] analyzed optimal deployment under a fixed budget and observed a saturation of flows at a certain driving range, indicating that under a given budget, higher ranges would not affect infrastructure requirements.

2.3.2 Long-term optimal charging infrastructure deployment for different consumer segments for passenger car

In charging infrastructure roll-out planning, charging stations are placed with the objective of cost-optimality and meeting the charging demand [110]. Research analyzing the optimal expansion together with its impact on BEV adoption can be categorized into three strands: first, system dynamics models which capture a high level of complexity of the interaction of different components [111, 112]; second, agent-based models with high spatial resolution in the allocation of charging stations and mobility behavior [113, 114]; third, large-scale optimization approaches that aim to map cost-optimal decarbonization pathways for the transport sector [18]. Wolbertus et al. [114] find that single distributed roll-out strategy has a positive effect on BEV adoption, while hub roll-out scenarios show significantly smaller impact.

Concerning the third category, there are many studies dedicated to compensating for the shortcomings of the total-cost-minimization approach [18, 115]. Venturini et al. [116] describe different tools to introduce behavioral aspects, concluding that effective tools are segmentation of consumers and inclusion of intangible costs. Luh et al. [117] introduce segmentation of consumer groups by housing type and include different types of charging infrastructure, finding that the option to charge at home has a substantial impact on BEV adoption, while public slow and fast charging play a vital role when private charging is limited. A follow-up publication [118] includes the value of travel time, which also includes time to recharge and detour time to reach the closest charging station.

In the modeling of optimal public charging infrastructure roll-out, there exist only a few studies that explicitly consider income class disparities: Batic et al. [119] develop a graph neural network to plan public charging infrastructure deployment in urban areas on street grid level, while aiming to reduce spatial inequity in charging infrastructure availability. Loni and Asadi [120] introduce the maximization of social equity access to a multi-objective charging infrastructure planning optimization model at the neighborhood level.

2.3.3 Charging infrastructure planning for international long-haul road freight transport

The reduction of fossil fuel dependency in the road freight transport sector has been challenged by its significant growth in service demand and the current lack of uptake of zero-emission technologies [121]. The *Sustainable & Smart Mobility Strategy* by the European Commission describes the goal to shift road freight transport demand towards zero-emission drivetrain technologies by 2050 [122]. In recent years, many empirical and theoretical studies have showcased the applicability of battery-electric trucks (BET) for this purpose [79]. The large-scale adoption of BETs is supported by continuously declining costs of ownership [78, 123] and technological improvements in battery technology leading to the overcoming of often-disputed limited range and charging speed [124].

One central challenge to enable the widespread adoption of BET is the build-up of a dense network of charging infrastructure [125]. The *Alternative Fuels Infrastructure Regulation (AFIR)* explicitly mandates the build-up of mega-watt charging stations every 120 km along the Trans-European Transport network (TEN-T) [126]. The high power levels connected to charging infrastructure for trucks pose a particular challenge due to the high volumes of simultaneous electricity loads that require substantial investments in grid infrastructure at distribution grid level [127]. A wide range of studies has been dedicated to exploring grid-friendly charging and using the flexibility potential of trucks for power grid congestion on large and small scales [25, 92].

Hildermeier and Jahn [23] have compared different border regions in the EU, which vary significantly in the costs of installing charging infrastructure and the charging activity due to different electricity market zones, network connection fees, and grid fees. The cost-optimal fueling of trucks has been observed to be driven mainly by different taxation laws between countries [128]. The country-dependent charging costs [22] are likely to shift the cost-optimal allocation of the fueling/charging activity, potentially allocating charging capacities to unfavorable locations in the electricity system.

2.3.4 Sub-annual modeling of charging demand for commercial fleets at large scales

[129]: spatio-temporal demand estimation at highway using traffic flow

2.4 Contribution to the progress beyond state-of-the-art

Against this background, the novelties are comprised in the following chapter by addressing the research question.

Research question 1:

- A hybrid charging station allocation problem is formulated for highway networks that

combines the node-based optimization structure with path-based demand representation. The charging demand is defined at discrete nodes in a graph network, while we, simultaneously, consider the flow of vehicles as in the path-based approach. Charging demand is assigned to discrete nodes. Demand shifting between nodes based on traffic direction and driving range capture vehicle flow and flexibility in the demand allocation. This approach is developed in order to use granular data on service area positions and traffic flow counts along the highway network.

- Fast-charging infrastructure capacities are planned for the Austrian highway network for 2030 under different scenarios of BEV shares in the passenger car fleet, road traffic load, BEV driving range, and charging power levels. Extensive sensitivity analyses identify impactful parameters to charging capacity requirements. The scenarios address uncertainties in demand resulting from the different transport sector decarbonization pathways.

Research question 2:

- Public charging capacities are planned under the consideration of the impact on BEV adoption across consumer groups of different income levels at the federal and state levels. This is in contrast to existing literature, in which the focus has lain on a lower geographic scope, i.e., municipality and neighborhood level. With this, we bridge the gap of addressing the impact of charging infrastructure pathways on federal states level on various income classes.
- The detour fueling time, i.e, the extra walking or driving time to reach the nearest charging station, is used to link the impact of infrastructure roll-out to the BEV adoption. Thereby, exhaustive analysis based on conventional high-resolution geographic data is avoided, while the densification of public charging infrastructure is still represented and connected to the BEV adoption.
- We analyze cross-border impacts between the local charging infrastructure expansion and the BEV adoption in neighbouring countries within a techno-economic optimization. Until now, the potential spillover of charging infrastructure between regions has been exclusively investigated based on empirical data, neglecting the future techno-economic potential of spillover by ambitious local charging infrastructure expansion. *not 100% happy with this formulation*

Research question 3:

- Quantifying impact of electricity zone-differing electricy prices on the adoption of battery-electric trucks
- Flexible charging load allocation with BEV adoption
- Modal shift the high resolution planning following the european goals of considering this

for decarbonization...?

Research question 4:

- quantifying charging demand based on origin-destination data
- quantifying the flexibility demand for Austria 2050 for utilization in the redispatch

3 Methods

3.1 Overview

Überblickstabelle/ ERklärung von Methodiken For each addressed research question, a tailor-made methodological approach was developed. Within this, three distinct models are formulated. Research questions 2 and 3 are addressed using the same model, which is then adapted to each research question. Model 1 is a static charging station planning tool for highway networks. Model 2, addressing RQ 2 and 3, is for long-term charging infrastructure roll-out. Model 3 is designed to generate hourly charging profiles for regional and interregional travel. Table 3.1 displays the core differences in method design. The main differences are in the functionalities and case studies which directly dictate temporal and geographic scopes and scales. Model 1

Table 3.1: Overview of methodological approaches employed in this thesis

Model	Paper/Study	Primary Functionality	Temporal Scope	Temporal Scale	Geographic Scope	Geographic Scale
Model 1	Paper I	Static capacity planning	Single year (2030)	Annual	Regional (Basque Country)	Municipal/grid cell
Model 2	Paper II	BEV adoption + capacity expansion	Multi-year (2020–2040)	Yearly	Corridor (TEN-T Scand-Med)	Corridor segments
Model 3	Paper III	Operational optimization	Representative weeks	Hourly	National (Austria)	Grid nodes
	Paper IV	[Your description]	[Your scope]	[Your scale]	[Your scope]	[Your scale]

builds on the graph-based charging infrastructure planning methods [96]. The planning is for an exogenously defined charging demand for one time slice. The simplicity in temporal dynamics allows the high geographic resolution of the highway network, the demand, intersection, and service area nodes. In model 2, the scope is extended beyond charging capacity planning to include charging capacity planning alongside the adoption of BEVs. For this, year-by-year decisions are introduced, and geographic granularity is coarser. Model 4 is dedicated to the charger utilization at high temporal granularity.

Further details on the model design and main modeling assumptions are explained in the following subchapters.

3.2 *Static charging infrastructure planning*

MILP for fast-charging infrastructure sizing and allocation along highway networks (RQ1).

3.2.1 Problem description

new text: The model is designed to cost-optimally plan fast-charging infrastructure along highway networks. The panning encompasses the geographic allocation and the sizing of the charging

capacities. The model aims to reflect optimal decisions from the perspective of an infrastructure planner seeking to determine a fast-charging infrastructure set-up for supporting long-distance travel with battery-electric passenger cars. This decision-making could, for example, apply to the highway network operator preparing tenders for charging service providers.

new text: The considered costs of charging infrastructure encompass two cost components: the onsite preparations to enable the support of large capacities provided by the charging points locally (c_X) and, on the other hand, the hardware and construction costs associated with the installation of a single charging point (c_Y). The planning refers exclusively to a defined network topology described by intersections, distances along highway segments, and positions of service areas. Potential sites for charging stations are exclusively service areas. *old text* The approach in this proposed methodology follows a node-based approach which has been reported to be mostly used in the allocation of charging infrastructure in urban areas where the demand at a node is defined through population density [96]. In this work, this model formulation is extended to the application to high-level road networks by reformulating the definition of demand at a node based on the energy consumed through BEVs driving along the road network, rather than population density, and further, regarding the traffic flow movement affecting the position of coverage of the demand.

new text In the following, the road connections between two junctions and between a junction and a network endpoint are referred to as *segments*, and the vertices are referred to as *nodes*. There are two types of nodes: some represent possible sites for charging station installation and lie along segments (*node type 1*), and others represent highway junctions or ending points of the network (*node type 2*). The nodes of type 1 can either be accessible from both driving directions ($k \in \{0, 1\}$) or from only one direction ($k = 0 \vee k = 1$). At each node, a charging demand exists which can be covered at the node itself or at other nodes within a defined range, $dist_{max}$. First, we proceed with a detailed description of the main contribution of this work, which is the mixed-integer linear program formulation of a node-based highway allocation method. Based on the demand at the nodes, the program allocates sites to install charging stations and sizes them by determining the optimal number of charging points. Then, the demand calculation used in this work is outlined.

new text: The charging infrastructure is planned in the consideration of the traffic flow and technological parameters of the vehicle's battery. The following key assumptions related to the representation of charging demand are made here: *old text*:

- The BEV fleet traveling along the highway network is treated as a homogeneous quantity, allowing to consider accumulated charging demand and translating this into the optimal sizing of a charging station. Based on this assumption, the technical parameters of an *average* BEV are assumed, such as average driving range ($\overline{dist}_{range, BEV}$), energy consumption ($\bar{d}_{spec, BEV}$) and charging capacity ($\bar{P}_{charge, BEV}$).
- All charging demands, $\sum_{n,k} \hat{D}_{n,k}$, result from the energy consumption of BEVs driving along the highway and need to be compensated for in total by charging stations built

along the highway network.

- Highway charging infrastructure is primarily used by long-distance drivers as BEV owners mostly charge at home or at work.
- A fast-charging infrastructure along a highway network is designed based on peak demands, including seasonal peak demand (\hat{f}_{l_k}) and hourly peak demand, during a day (γ_h).

3.2.2 Model features and assumptions

The underlying methodology of this work is presented in Figure 3.1. It is based on a graph representation of the highway network. The approach in this proposed methodology follows a node-based approach which has been reported to be mostly used in the allocation of charging infrastructure in urban areas where the demand at a node is defined through population density [96]. In this work, this model formulation is extended to the application to high-level road networks by reformulating the definition of demand at a node based on the energy consumed through BEVs driving along the road network, rather than population density, and further, regarding traffic flow movement effecting the position of coverage of the demand.

3.2.3 Input-Output relations

TODO: insert the input-output relations here Figure 3.1 displays

3.2.4 Mathematical formulation

The objective function of the optimization model is to minimize the total charging infrastructure investment costs:

$$\min_{X_l, Y_{l_k}, \hat{E}_{l_k}^{charged, n_k}, \hat{D}_{l_k}^{in, n_k}, \hat{D}_{l_k}^{out, n_k}} c_X * \sum_l X_l + c_Y * \sum_{l_k} Y_{l_k} \quad (3.1)$$

The charging infrastructure is designed in such a way that all demand $\sum_{n,k} \hat{D}_{n_k}$ in the network is covered. For each node the following energy balance is defined:

$$\hat{E}_{l_k}^{charged, n_k} - \hat{D}_{l_k}^{demand, n_k} = \hat{D}_{l_k}^{out, n_k} - \hat{D}_{l_k}^{in, n_k} \quad : \forall n_k, l_k \in A_{n_k} \quad (3.2)$$

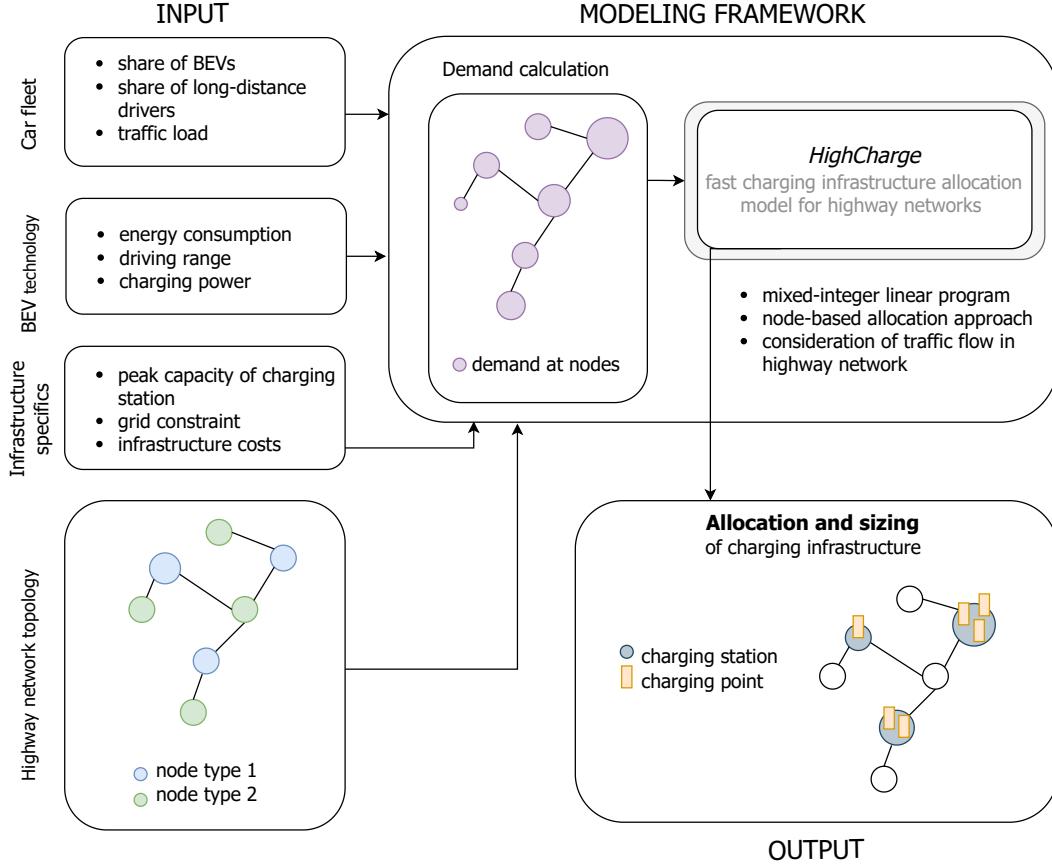


Figure 3.1: **Overview of methodology applied in this work.** Input parameters encompass demand calculation and optimization determining the allocation and sizing of charging infrastructure.

Set A_{n_k} encompasses all nodes l_k which are within the distance of $dist_{max}^1$ to node n_k . Within this set radius around a node n_k , the energy demand stemming from node n_k , \hat{D}_{n_k} has to be covered. Between the nodes l_k , which are part of A_{n_k} , the demand is shifted and for this, the following holds for adjacent nodes l_k and l'_k :

$$\hat{D}_{l_k}^{out,n_k} * r_{l_k,l'_k} = \hat{D}_{l'_k}^{in,n_k} : \forall n_k, \{l_k, l'_k\} \in A_{n_k} \quad (3.3)$$

For parameter r_{l_k,l'_k} , the following applies:

$$r_{l_k,l'_k} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } s_{l_k} == s_{l'_k} \\ < 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3.4)$$

¹ $dist_{max} = 4/5 * 0.6 * \bar{d}_{range,BEV}$: The factor 4/5 accounts for reduced driving range resulting from increased energy demand at highway speeds [106], [130] and 0.6 for charging processes starting at a state of charge of 20% up to 80% [58].

$$\sum_{l_k} r_{l_k, l'_k} = 1 \quad (3.5)$$

This rationing parameter is, therefore, only lower than 1, if node l is a junction point and in this case, the $\hat{D}_{l_k}^{output, n_k}$ needs to be split to simulate traffic flow partitioning at a junction point. For example, if, e.g., three segments meet and it is assumed that traffic flow is split equally between these segments at the junction, then $r = 1/2$.

The demand coverage by a charging point and charging station is defined through:

$$\sum_{n_k} \hat{E}_{l_k}^{charged, n_k} \leq \sum_k Y_{l_k} * \bar{P}_{charge, BEV} : \forall l_k \quad (3.6)$$

$$\frac{P_{max}}{\hat{P}_{CP}} * X_l \geq \sum_k Y_{l_k} : \forall l \quad (3.7)$$

Equation 3.7 establishes the relation between the sizing of a charging station, i.e., the number of charging points, and the binary variable, whether a charging station is installed at node n_k .

3.3 Long-term charging infrastructure roll-out: LP for charging infrastructure planning under consideration of multiple technologies and modes

3.3.1 Problem description and assumptions

new text The model represents the decision making from a social planner's perspective and determines the cost-optimal pathway for transitioning vehicle fleets and deploying supporting infrastructure. The costs for the vehicle fleet (purchase, maintenance, driver's costs), the costs for fueling, and the charging infrastructure (purchase, installement and OM) are minimized over multiple years.

new text Important features of the model are: *old text*:

- **Network design and transport demand coverage:** The geographic relation between multiple neighboring regions is conceptualized based on a graph representation. Nodes represent regions and edges represent the connections between neighboring regions. The modeling framework is designed based on origin-destination data. The travel demand is given exogenously by a set of trips that are defined by their origin-destination pair, purpose, distance, and consumer group on an annual level. These trips can be covered

using different vehicle types, drivetrain technologies, and fuels. For trips that cross multiple geographic locations, i.e., for inter-regional trips that cross at least one other region, there can be a definition of multiple possible travel paths between the origin-destination pair.

- **Consumer groups by different income-class levels and level of service measure:** We introduce consumer-specific parameters that allow differentiation between income class levels in two dimensions: the value of time (VoT) and the monetary budget. The VoT relates to the monetary value of travel time as perceived by the consumer. The travel time is the level of service (LoS) that is provided by a drive-train technology, measured in hours. The value of time rises with the income level of a consumer. The monetary budget refers to the budget of a consumer that is spent on the purchase of a new vehicle and is defined together with a time horizon, reflecting the frequency of the purchase of a new vehicle.
- **Vehicle stock modeling:** The vehicle stock is modeled based on the numbers of different vehicle types and technologies. The *generation* of a vehicle is a particularly important dimension here. It defines the year in which a vehicle was purchased on the market. Each generation is associated with different technological attributes which allows to capture the technological improvements in the battery size and charging speed of BEVs while also modeling the presence of vehicles with variable technological attributes within the fleet.
- **Sizing of different types of fueling infrastructure:** Fueling infrastructure is sized based on the geographic allocation, and different types of fueling infrastructure, which may vary by the provided fueling power, maximum utilization rate, and availability. The expansion of fueling infrastructure capacity follows a defined set of investment periods.
- **Spatially flexible allocation of fueling activity:** For a given trip, there exists a set of different opportunities to fuel or charge, e.g., at work, at a public fueling station, or at home. The decision on whether the fueling demand is covered is endogenous and can change annually

3.3.2 Model features and assumptions

Figure 3.2 provides a conceptual overview of the most relevant input and output parameters as well as the core functionalities of the method. The basis of the methodology follows the classic formulation of the Network Design Problem [131]. Table 3.2 provides an overview of the state-of-the-art methods that are integrated here, together with corresponding extensions for the present work. The core model is formulated as a linear program with the objective of minimizing the total costs related to the vehicle stock, fueling, and fueling infrastructure², and other transportation costs, encompassing investments, operation and maintenance costs. This

²To provide a general model formulation here in Sections ?? and ??, the general terminology *fueling infrastructure* and *fuel* include also charging infrastructure and electricity as a fuel.

model is extended to a mixed-integer linear program to endogenously include the interaction between charging infrastructure expansion and the consumers' detouring fueling time.

The core features and functionalities of this model are:

- **Network design and transport demand coverage:** The geographic relation between multiple neighboring regions is conceptualized based on a graph representation. Nodes represent regions and edges represent the connections between neighboring regions. The modeling framework is designed based on origin-destination data. The travel demand is given exogenously by a set of trips that are defined by their origin-destination pair, purpose, distance, and consumer group on an annual level. These trips can be covered using different vehicle types, drivetrain technologies, and fuels. For trips that cross multiple geographic locations, i.e., for inter-regional trips that cross at least one other region, there can be a definition of multiple possible travel paths between the origin-destination pair.
- **Consumer groups by different income-class levels and level of service measure:** We introduce consumer-specific parameters that allow differentiation between income class levels in two dimensions: the value of time (VoT) and the monetary budget. The VoT relates to the monetary value of travel time as perceived by the consumer. The travel time is the level of service (LoS) that is provided by a drive-train technology, measured in hours. The value of time rises with the income level of a consumer. The monetary budget refers to the budget of a consumer that is spent on the purchase of a new vehicle and is defined together with a time horizon, reflecting the frequency of the purchase of a new vehicle.
- **Vehicle stock modeling:** The vehicle stock is modeled based on the numbers of different vehicle types and technologies. The *generation* of a vehicle is a particularly important dimension here. It defines the year in which a vehicle was purchased on the market. Each generation is associated with different technological attributes which allows to capture the technological improvements in the battery size and charging speed of BEVs while also modeling the presence of vehicles with variable technological attributes within the fleet.
- **Sizing of different types of fueling infrastructure:** Fueling infrastructure is sized based on the geographic allocation, and different types of fueling infrastructure, which may vary by the provided fueling power, maximum utilization rate, and availability. The expansion of fueling infrastructure capacity follows a defined set of investment periods.
- **Spatially flexible allocation of fueling activity:** For a given trip, there exists a set of different opportunities to fuel or charge, e.g., at work, at a public fueling station, or at home. The decision on whether the fueling demand is covered is endogenous and can change annually.
- **Fueling detour time:** The detouring time that is needed to the closest fueling station is included as a decision variable that is tied to the expansion of the fueling infrastructure.

This particular modeling aspect allows linking the investments in fueling infrastructure to an improved LoS.

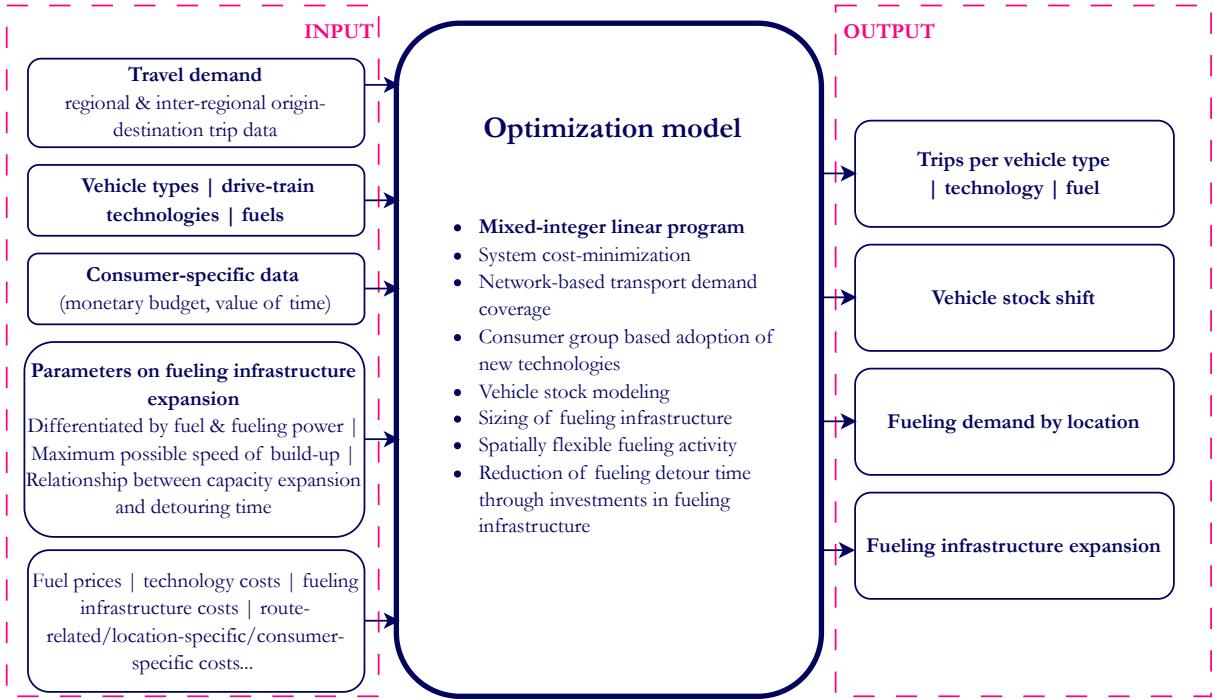


Figure 3.2: Overview on the input and output parameters of the optimization model and its core functionalities

Table 3.2: Overview of integrated model functionalities drawn from state-of-the-art methodology. *Fueling detour time* is written in cursive letters to imply that this model feature is not based in the existing state-of-the-art, and is, therefore, a novel extension. ‘-’ implies that the included modeling feature is integrated without significant adaptations from the initial concepts. The listed sources are references to research papers that describe or apply these modeling approaches.

Modeling feature	State-of-the art references	Adoption/extension in this work
Network design and transport demand coverage	[131]	-
Consumer groups of different income-class levels and level of service measure	[18], [118]	-
Vehicle stock modeling	[132], [133]	-
Sizing of different types of fueling infrastructure	[134], [117]	-
Spatially flexible allocation of fueling activity	[135]	-
<i>Fueling detour time</i>		Consideration of the time required to reach closest charging station

3.3.3 Input-Output relations

3.3.4 Mathematical formulation

In the following, we elaborate on the mathematical formulation of the model functionalities that are extensions from state-of-the-art methodologies. The remaining constraints are to be found in

the Appendix. Table 3.3 contains the relevant nomenclature used in the following equations.

Table 3.3: Nomenclature (selection).

Sets and indices	Description
$y \in \mathcal{Y}$	year
$u \in \mathcal{U}$	consumer group
$p \in \mathcal{P}$	trip purpose
$r \in \mathcal{R}_p$	trip between origin-destination (OD) pair for a specified purpose
$k \in \mathcal{K}$	travel paths
$e \in \mathcal{E}$	geographic location
$v \in \mathcal{V}$	type of vehicle
$t \in \mathcal{T}_v$	drive-train technology fueled by a specific fuel
$g \in \mathcal{G}$	year that vehicle was introduced to market
$l \in \mathcal{L}$	types of fueling infrastructure (by capacity)
$i \in \mathcal{I}_l$	index for detour time reduction potential for type of fueling infrastructure l
\mathcal{Y}^{exp}	set of years of investment decisions
\mathcal{K}_e	set of paths that go through edge e
$\mathcal{L}^{nothome}$	fueling infrastructure that is not allocated at home of vehicle owner
\mathcal{L}^{home}	fueling infrastructure that is allocated at home of vehicle owner
\mathcal{L}_{tk}	types of infrastructure by drive-train technology and availability for travel path
\mathcal{E}_{kl}	geographic location along travel path and available fueling type
S_j^u	$= \{y_m \in Y j \in [m, m + \tau_u - 1]\}, m = 1, \dots, Y - \tau_u + 1$
	subsets of time periods for which a monetary budget is defined by consumer group
Decision variables	Unit
$f_{yurkvtg}$	number of person-trips
$h_{yurkvtg}$	-
$h_{yurkvtg}^+$	number of vehicles
$h_{yurkvtg}^-$	-
$h_{yurkvtg}^-$	newly purchased vehicles
$s_{yurkvtgle}$	-
$s_{yurkvtgle}$	number of fueling vehicles
$b_{yurkvtle}$	energy fueled
w_{yeli}	fueling detour time to reach closest available public charging infrastructure
w_{yeli}	h
$z_{yurkvtle,i}$	binary decision variable indicating whether detour reduction i is active
$q_{yrtel}^{+,fuel_infr,nothome}$	decision variable substituting the multiplication $b * w$
$q_{yrtel}^{+,fuel_infr}$	h
$q_{yrtel}^{+,fuel_infr}$	added fueling infrastructure at home
$q_{yrtel}^{\Delta+,fuel_infr}$	kW
$q_{yrtel}^{\Delta+,fuel_infr}$	added fueling infrastructure
$q_{yrtel}^{\Delta+,fuel_infr}$	kW
$q_{yrtel}^{\Delta+,fuel_infr}$	relative difference of fueling capacity expansion to fixed capacity size values cap
budget_{yur}^+	kW
budget_{yur}^+	budget overrun
budget_{yur}^-	€
budget_{yur}^-	budget underrun
Parameters	€
Parameters	[0, ∞ [
LoS	level of service
VoT	value of time
γ_l	value of time
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	factor between annual peak hour and total annual demand
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	%
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	[0, 100]
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	Initial fueling infrastructure at home
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	kW
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	[0, ∞ [
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	Initial fueling infrastructure
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	kW
$Q_{urtle}^{fuel,infr,nothome}$	[0, ∞ [
α_{iel}	reduction $i = 1, \dots, I$ of detour time
α_{iel}	%
α_{iel}	[0, 100]
cap_{iel}	fixed lower bounds for capacity which tie to a reduction of detour time of α_i
cap_{iel}	kWh
cap_{iel}	[0, ∞ [
τ^u	detour time of α_i
τ^u	number of years between consecutive vehicle purchase decisions, representing the vehicle replacement period.
τ^u	a
τ^u	[0, ∞ [
β	relative threshold for budget under- or overrun
β	%
B_{el}^{init}	[0, 100]
B_{el}^{init}	initial detour time
B_{el}^{init}	h
L_k	length of path
L_k	km
C_{yutg}^{CAPEX}	expenditure costs for vehicles
C_{yutg}^{CAPEX}	-
C_{yutg}^{CAPEX}	[0, ∞ [
$Budget_u$	monetary budget of consumer group
$Budget_u$	€/trip
$Budget_u$	[0, ∞ [

Objective function

The objective function comprises costs for the vehicle stock ($C^{\text{vehicle_stock,total}}$), required fueling ($C^{\text{fueling,total}}$), costs for fueling infrastructure ($C^{\text{infrastructure,total}}$), and intangible costs ($C^{\text{intangiblecosts,total}}$) as well as penalty costs ($C^{\text{penaltycosts,total}}$) that are introduced here to penalize the overrun or the underrun of monetary budgets of consumers. The objective function is defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{f,h,h^+,h^-,s,n,b,w,z,q^+,\text{budget}^+,\text{budget}^-}{\text{minimize}} \quad & z = C^{\text{vehicle_stock,total}} + C^{\text{fueling,total}} \\ & + C^{\text{infrastructure,total}} + C^{\text{intangiblecosts,total}} + C^{\text{penaltycosts,total}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

The vehicle stock is sized to cover all car trips and the required fueling activity is allocated among the visited geographic locations of a car trip and different fueling infrastructure types. The latter may imply, for example, fueling infrastructure installed at home or work, or public fueling infrastructure.

Sizing of different types of fueling infrastructure

Fueling infrastructure is expanded for each investment period, $y' \in \mathcal{Y}^{\text{exp}}$, and sized based on an assumed factor which represents the ratio between the annual demand peak and the annual total demand, γ_l . We differentiate here between fueling infrastructure of which the availability is independent from the particular trip ($\mathcal{L}^{\text{nothome}}$) and those that are dependent on it as this fueling infrastructure is installed at home ($\mathcal{L}^{\text{home}}$).

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{t|e}^{\text{fuel_infr}} + \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_y^{\text{exp}}} q_{y'|t|e}^{+, \text{fuel_infr}} & \geq \gamma_l \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_e} \sum_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} s_{y|u|r|k|v|t|g|l} : \forall y, t, e, l \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{nothome}} \\ Q_{u|r|t|e}^{\text{fuel_infr,home}} + \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_y^{\text{exp}}} q_{y'|u|r|t|e}^{+, \text{fuel_infr,home}} & \geq \gamma_l \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_e} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} s_{y|u|r|k|v|t|g|l} : \forall y, u, t, r, e, l \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{home}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

s refers to the annual fueling demand.

Table 3.4: Nomenclature (extended).

Sets and indices	Description
$y \in \mathcal{Y}$	year
$u \in \mathcal{U}$	consumer group
$p \in \mathcal{P}$	trip purpose
$r \in \mathcal{R}_p$	trip between origin-destination (OD) pair for a specified purpose
$k \in \mathcal{K}$	travel paths
$e \in \mathcal{E}$	geographic location
$v \in \mathcal{V}$	type of vehicle
$t \in \mathcal{T}_v$	drive-train technology fueled by a specific fuel
$g \in \mathcal{G}$	year that vehicle was introduced to market
$l \in \mathcal{L}$	types of fueling infrastructure (by capacity)
$i \in \mathcal{I}_l$	index for detour time reduction potential for type of fueling infrastructure l

\mathcal{Y}^{exp}	set of years of investment decisions
\mathcal{K}_e	set of paths that go through edge e
$\mathcal{L}^{nothome}$	fueling infrastructure that is not allocated at home of vehicle owner
\mathcal{L}^{home}	fueling infrastructure that is allocated at home of vehicle owner
\mathcal{L}_{tk}	types of infrastructure by drive-train technology and availability for travel path
\mathcal{E}_{kl}	geographic location along travel path and available fueling type
S_j^u	$= \{y_m \in Y j \in [m, m + \tau_u - 1]\}, m = 1, \dots, Y - \tau_u + 1$
	subsets of time periods for which a monetary budget is defined by consumer group

Decision variables		Unit
$f_{yurkvtg}$	number of person-trips	-
$h_{yurkvtg}$	number of vehicles	-
$h_{yurkvtg}^+$	newly purchased vehicles	-
$h_{yurkvtg}^-$	number of vehicles leaving the vehicle stock	-
$s_{yurkvtgle}$	energy fueled	kWh
$n_{yurkvtgle}$	number of fueling vehicles	-
$b_{yurkvtle}$	fueling detour time to reach closest available public charging infrastructure	h
w_{yeli}	binary decision variable indicating whether detour reduction i is active	-
$z_{yrkvtle,i}$	decision variable substituting the multiplication $b * w$	h
$q_{yrtel}^{+,fuel_infr,home}$	added fueling infrastructure at home	kW
$q_{yrtel}^{+,fuel_infr}$	added fueling infrastructure	kW
$q_{ytle}^{\Delta+,fuel_infr}$	relative difference of fueling capacity expansion to fixed capacity	kW
q_{ytle}	size values cap	[0, ∞ [
budget_{yur}^+	budget overrun	€
budget_{yur}^-	budget underrun	€
Parameters		
LoS	level of service	h
VoT	value of time	€/h
γ_l	factor between annual peak hour and total annual demand	%
$Q_{fuel,infr,nothome}^{yrtel}$	Initial fueling infrastructure at home	kW
$Q_{fuel,infr,home}^{yrtel}$	Initial fueling infrastructure	kW
\hat{Q}_{yule}^{\max}	upper limit for charging infrastructure capacity by consumer group	kW
\hat{Q}_{yle}^{\max}	upper limit for charging infrastructure capacity	kW
α_{iel}	reduction $i = 1, \dots, I$ of detour time	%
cap_{eli}	fixed lower bounds for capacity which tie to a reduction of detour time of α_i	kWh
τ^u	number of years between consecutive vehicle purchase decisions, representing the vehicle replacement period	a
β	relative threshold for budget under- or overrun	%
B_{init}^{el}	initial detour time	h
D_{vtg}^{spec}	specific energy consumption	kWh/km
W_{vtg}	load factor	persons/vehicle
$\text{Cap}_{vtg}^{\text{tank}}$	tank capacity	kWh
L_{vtg}^{annual}	annual range	km
L_k	length of path	km
C_{yvtg}^{CAPEX}	expenditure costs for vehicles	-
Budget_u	monetary budget of consumer group	€/trip

appendix Decision variable f expresses the number of trips covered by a specific vehicle type and technology-fuel pair of a specific generation. The sum over all possible travel paths, vehicle types, technology-fuel pairs and vehicle generations equals the exogenously given travel demand:

$$\sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_r} \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}_v} \sum_{g \in \mathcal{G}} f_{yurkv tg} = F_{yur} : \forall y, u, r \quad (3.10)$$

appendix The right side of the equation expresses the coverage of the demand by different vehicle types and drive-train technologies of different generations.

appendix Based on the trips covered by a vehicle type of a technology, the vehicle stock is sized as follows:

$$h_{yurvtg} \geq \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}_r} \frac{L_k}{W_{yvtg} L_{vtg}^{\text{annual}}} f_{yurkv tg} : \forall y, u, r, k, v, t, g \quad (3.11)$$

$$\sum_p h_{yurvtg} = \sum_p h_{(y-1)rvtg} + \sum_p h_{yurvtg}^+ - \sum_p h_{yurvtg}^- : \forall y \in \mathcal{Y} \setminus \{0\}, u, r, v, t, g \quad (3.12)$$

$$\sum_p h_{yurvt(g=y-\text{Lifetime}_{vtg}^{max})}^- = \sum_p h_{yrv(t(g=y-\text{Lifetime}_{vtg}))} : \forall y, u, r, v, t \quad (3.13)$$

Equation 3.11 expresses the sizing of the vehicle stock via a vehicle's annual range L^{annual} and load factor W . With equations 3.12 and 3.13, the vehicle stock is aging. Vehicles exit the vehicle stock when a maximum lifetime is reached.

Fueling demand is derived from the number of trips f and via the specific demand D^{spec} of the vehicle:

$$\sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_{tk}} \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_{kl}} s_{yurkv tgle} \geq \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}_k} \gamma_l \frac{D_{gvt}^{\text{spec}}}{W_{gvt} L_k} f_{yurkv tg} : \forall y, u, r, k, v, t, g \quad (3.14)$$

n indicates the number of fueling vehicles and is deducted from the fueled energy:

$$\sum_{v,t} \frac{1}{\text{Cap}_{vtg}^{\text{tank}}} s_{yurkv tgle} = n_{yurk lge} : \forall y, u, r, k, g, e, l \in \mathcal{L}^{vt} \quad (3.15)$$

The geographic allocation of the fueling demand is given by the summation over all geographic elements that are traveled by the vehicle. The summation over all geographic locations along the travel path and different types of fueling infrastructures l ensures that the allocation of fueled energy along the path is an endogeneous decision. The expansion of fueling capacities are also

limited in its expansion by maximum values:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{tle}^{\text{fuel_infr}} + \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_y^{\text{exp}}} q_{ytle}^{+, \text{fuel_infr}} &\leq \hat{Q}_{tle}^{\text{fuel_infr}} : \forall y, t, l, e \\ \sum_{r \in \mathcal{R}_u} \left(Q_{urtle}^{\text{fuel_infr, home}} + \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_y^{\text{exp}}} q_{yrtle}^{+, \text{fuel_infr, home}} \right) &\leq \hat{Q}_{urtle}^{\text{fuel_infr, home}} : \forall y, u, t, l, e \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

3.3.5 MILP extension for regional application (RQ2)

3.3.5.1 Extended problem description and model features

3.3.5.2 Extended mathematical formulation

Consumer groups by different income-class levels and level of service measure

The intangible costs ($C^{\text{intangiblecosts, total}}$) represent non-monetary costs that are monetized in the objective function by weighting them with the consumer-group-dependent VoT. The non-monetary costs refer to in particular the total travel time associated with different vehicle types and drivetrain technologies, i.e., the level of service:

$$C^{\text{intangiblecosts, total}} = \sum_{y,u,r,k,v,t,g} \text{VoT}_u * \left(\text{LoS}_{ykvt}^f * f_{yurkvtg} + \sum_l b_{yurkvtle} \right) \quad (3.17)$$

f is the number of person-trips. The parameter LoS is the level of service, i.e, total travel time, associated with a vehicle type and drivetrain technology for a trip:

$$\text{LoS}_{ykvt}^f = \frac{L_k}{\text{speed}_{vt}} + \text{fueling_time}_{ykvt} : \forall y, k, v, t \quad (3.18)$$

Decision variable b is the fueling detour time, i.e., the additional travel time.

Monetary budgets vary by consumer group. These are defined by the temporal frequency of car purchases, i.e., every τ years. The budget constrains expenditures for vehicles and fueling infrastructure installed at home, which is the left side of these constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{y \in \mathcal{S}_j^u} \left(\sum_{vtg} C_{yvtg}^{\text{CAPEX}} * h_{yurvtg}^+ + \sum_{tl} \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_{y'}^{\text{exp}}} q_{yurte}^{+, \text{fuel_infr, home}} \right) \\ & \leq \beta * \tau_u * \text{Budget}_u * \sum_{kvtg} f_{yurkvtg} + \sum_{y \in \mathcal{S}_j^u} \text{budget}_{yur}^+ : \forall y, u, r, j \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{y \in \mathcal{S}_j^u} \left(\sum_{vtg} C_{yvtg}^{\text{CAPEX}} * h_{yurvtg}^+ + \sum_{tl} \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_{y'}^{\text{exp}}} q_{yurte}^{+, \text{fuel_infr, home}} \right) \\ & \geq \beta * \tau_u * \text{Budget}_u * \sum_{kvtg} f_{yurkvtg} - \sum_{y \in \mathcal{S}_j^u} \text{budget}_{yur}^- : \forall y, u, r, j \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Equation 3.19 expresses the lower limit for the expenditures, which relate to the investments in new vehicles (left hand-side of the equation). Equation 3.20 imposes an upper limit on these expenditures. A threshold for the budget is included with the factor β . Budget underrun and overrun, budget_{yur}^- and budget_{yur}^+ , are decision variables that are penalized in the objective function and leveraged with a factor in the term $C^{\text{panelycosts, total}}$ (Equation 3.8).

We introduce lumpiness in the sizing of the infrastructure, which is expressed by:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{tle}^{\text{fuel_infr}} + \sum_{y' \in \mathcal{Y}_y^{\text{exp}}} q_{y'tle}^{+, \text{fuel_infr}} &= \sum_i w_{yiel} * cap_{iel} + q_{y'tle}^{\Delta+, \text{fuel_infr}} : \forall y, t, e, l \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{not home}} \\ \sum_i w_{yiel} &= 1 : \forall y, e, l \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{not home}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

$q_{y'tle}^{\Delta+, \text{fuel_infr}}$ is a continuous variable that expresses the relative difference in capacity to the fixed capacity values cap_{iel} . The lumpiness is introduced via the binary variable w and ties fueling infrastructure expansion to the reduction of detour time.

The fueling detour time is explicitly defined only for fueling types not allocated at home, for $l \in \mathcal{L}^{\text{not home}}$. Based on an assumed fueling detour time B^{init} that is initially needed to reach the nearest fueling station for refueling, we model the relative reductions of the detour time that directly result from the expansion of the fueling infrastructure capacities. The decision variable b represents the total annual detour time of all vehicles by trip for this vehicle type, drivetrain technology fueling using the type of fueling infrastructure l at the geographic location e . We

express this in the following way:

$$b_{yiel} = \begin{cases} B^{init} * (1 - \alpha_{iel}) * \sum_{u,r,v,g} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}^e} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{F}^e} n_{yurkvtge} & \text{if } w_{yiel} = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } w_{yiel} = 0 \end{cases} \quad (3.22)$$

α_i^- represents the i th reduction of the detour time in percentage at fueling capacity cap_i . For better understanding of the computation of this equation, we provide the following example: At location e , there are 1000 vehicles charges (expressed by $\sum_{u,r,v,g} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}^e} \sum_{t \in \mathcal{F}^e} n_{yurkvtge}$). Due to the total installed public charging capacity at location e , the reduction $\alpha_{(i=7)e}$ is active which reduces the initial detouring time, B^{init} by 80%. B^{init} equals 60 minutes. Based on this, the total detouring time at this location is $b = 60\text{min} * (1 - 0.8) * 1000 = 120,000\text{min}$.

3.3.6 Extension for long-distance transport (RQ3)

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3.3.6.1 Extended problem description and model features

3.3.6.2 Extended mathematical formulation

Travel time

State of charge

3.4 Bottom-up charging profile modeling: Traffic-flow-data-based charging profile modeling and flexibility potential estimation (RQ4)

3.4.1 Problem description

demand and flexibility potential approximation for electricity market modeling inserting here the modeling steps ; also integrating the definition of flexibility potential (this one graph); refer here to the model of Loschan/EDISON The applied methodology consists of two distinct steps. The aim in the first step is the modeling of the future charging demand of the commercial BEV fleet together with an estimation of the demand-side flexibility potential. This flexibility option

is then integrated into the electricity market model. To analyze the effect of commercial fleet charging on redispatch costs, we focus on the usage of flexibility in the dispatch market and redispatch measures.

Figure 3.3 gives an overview of these building blocks of the methodology and its most important features. In the modeling of charging profiles and the electricity market processes, the temporal resolution is hourly. The optimization of the day-ahead market clearing which has the objective of social welfare maximization, and the optimization of redispatch measures with the objective of minimizing the associated costs. Both models have the functionality of coordinating the aggregated charging processes of the commercial BEVfleet. Therefore, this modeling approach is capable of simulating the centrally aggregated coordination of charging processes and its participation in the dispatch market and using its flexibility for dispatch measures. It is important to note that, with this approach, the demand-response of charging is not modeled as the optimization of the charging processes is directly integrated in the dispatch and redispatch optimizations.

Throughout the methodology, different types of geographic information are referred to. We introduce here three graphs to support the description of the methodology ($\mathcal{G} = \{\mathcal{G}_1, \mathcal{G}_2, \mathcal{G}_3\}$; see Figure 3.4). These mirror the three models outlined in Figure 3.3. Graph $\mathcal{G}_1 = (\mathcal{N}_1, \mathcal{E}_1)$ represents a network of regions and route connections of the commercial vehicle fleet. At the visited nodes, different charging opportunities exist. $\mathcal{G}_2 = (\mathcal{N}_2, \mathcal{E}_2)$ functions as the basis for optimizing the dispatch, presenting market price zones. \mathcal{G}_3 is the representation of the transmission grid. These graphs overlap and values transferred between the layers are aggregated or disaggregated based on their geographic allocation.

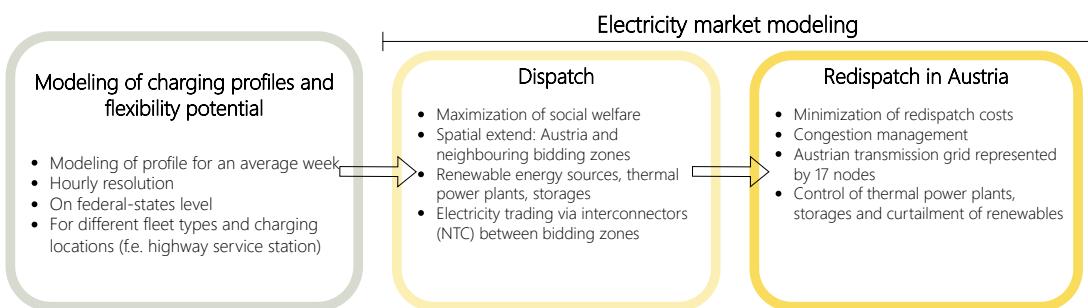


Figure 3.3: Overview of the steps of the methodology

3.4.1.1 Definition of the flexibility potential

Figure 3.5 describes the definition of the flexibility potential in the charging of vehicles graphically as a function of time and the state of charge: A vehicle is connected to a charging station for a defined period during which a certain amount of electricity must be charged. In the present example, the battery needs to be recharged until its maximum capacity, SOC^{BEVmax} . An initial charging profile is given based on an assumption of the charging strategy of the vehicle. In the

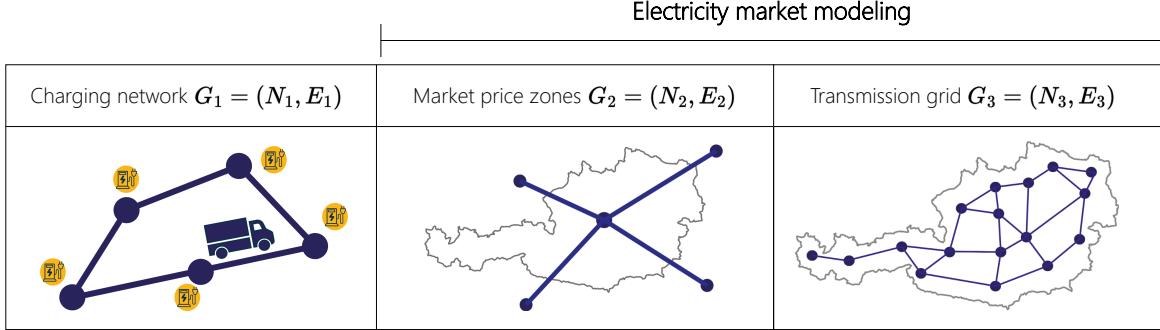


Figure 3.4: The three layers of geographic information used throughout the methodology.

illustrated case, this charging strategy is charging at the lowest possible continuous power level ($CAP^{BEV\text{const}}$), distributing the charged energy evenly during the plug-in period (indicated with the dark red line). A maximum possible charging power, $CAP^{BEV\text{max}}$, defines the inclination of the green lines and, therefore, the time span of the fastest possible charging process and the latest possible point in time at which the charging process must start in order to fully recharge. The orange line illustrates an example of a load curve with a variable power level, with the power level at the beginning and at the end being significantly higher than during the mid-part of the plug-in period. The area bounded by the green oblique lines indicates the extent of possible charging curves to reach $SOC^{BEV\text{max}}$ during the plug-in time period, which translates to the flexibility potential of the charging process. For example, in fast-charging processes where the charging happens at $CAP^{BEV\text{max}}$ and the plug-in period is closer to the point of "fastest achievable charging completion", flexibility is more limited.

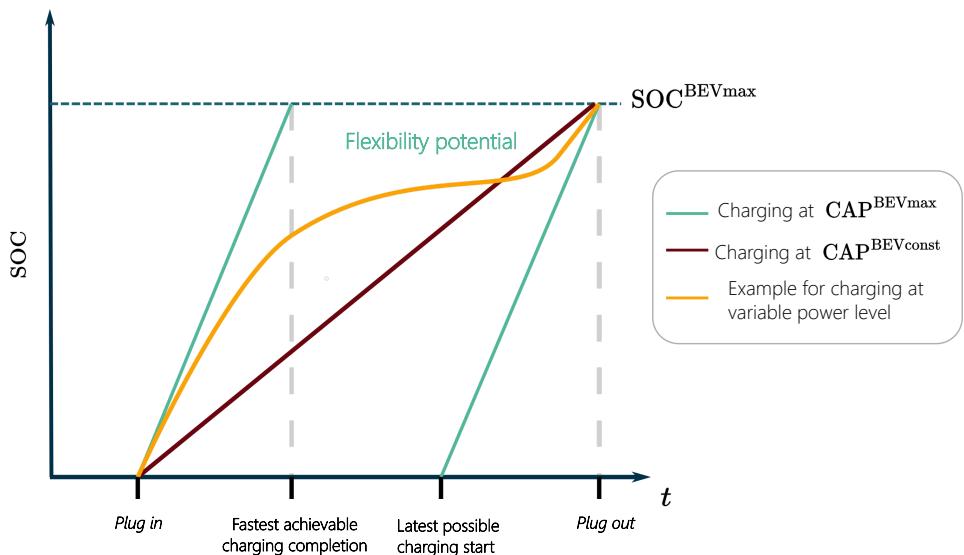


Figure 3.5: Graphic illustration of the flexibility of a charging process

3.4.2 Local transport

For the case of local transport, the charging demand of a vehicle is assigned to exclusively one node in \mathcal{G}_1 . We aggregate all vehicles of a specific type to a fleet $f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{local}}$ and the energy demand for node n is estimated as follows:

$$D_{f,n}^{\text{BEV}} = \overline{D_f^{\text{spec,BEV}}} \cdot dist_f \cdot k_{f,n} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{local}}, n \in \mathcal{N}_1 \quad (3.23)$$

$$\sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}^f} D_{f,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} = D_{f,n}^{\text{BEV}} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{local}}, n \in \mathcal{N}_1 \quad (3.24)$$

The charging demand during the observed time period is deducted from the distance $dist_f$ that is driven by a vehicle of fleet f , its energy consumption $\overline{D_f^{\text{spec,BEV}}}$ and the amount of the vehicles of fleet type f operating at node n $k_{f,n}$ is. The charging demand is assigned to different charging locations \mathcal{L}^f that are available to the fleet. These are, for example, depots at node n . Each charging location type is characterized by an installed maximum charging power $\text{CAP}_{f,n,l}^{\text{BEVmax}}$. The particular distribution of the charging demand to the charging location is conducted based on the assumed charging strategy for this fleet.

3.4.3 Interregional

For interregional transport, vehicles are assumed to travel between regions and charge at more than one node. In this case, a set of routes is given for the fleet $R^f = \{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_I\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, I$. The routes are all allocated in graph \mathcal{G}_1 . The charging demand is determined and assigned to nodes $n \in \mathcal{N}_1$ for each route separately and later aggregated at each node for all considered types of charging locations. Each route R_i is traveled by a part of the fleet, $f_i \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{inter}}$. Charging locations are either allocated along the route $\mathcal{L}_f^{\text{enroute}}$ or at origin and destination nodes $\mathcal{L}_f^{\text{OD}}$. In accordance with this, the nodes contained in a route are categorized into two sets: $\mathcal{N}_i^{\text{enroute}}$ and $\mathcal{N}_i^{\text{OD}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} D_{f_i}^{\text{BEV}} &= dist_i \cdot \overline{D_f^{\text{spec,BEV}}} \cdot k_i \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}_i^{\text{enroute}}} \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_f^{\text{enroute}}} D_{f_i,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} + \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}_i^{\text{OD}}} \sum_{l \in \mathcal{L}_f^{\text{OD}}} D_{f_i,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} \\ &\quad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, I, f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{inter}} \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

k_i defines the number of vehicles traveling on the route R_i in the observed period. The charging demand for this route is distributed between the locations positioned along the route and at the origin or destination nodes. The particular assignment of the magnitude of charging demand to the nodes, $D_{f_i,n,l}^{\text{BEV}}$ depends further on the assumed charging strategy.

Nodal aggregation and temporal distribution We aggregate the charging demand for each fleet type and the respective locations on node-level:

$$D_{f,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} = \begin{cases} D_{f,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} & \text{if } f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{local}} \\ \sum_i D_{f_i,n,l}^{\text{BEV}} & \text{if } f \in \mathcal{F}^{\text{inter}} \end{cases} \quad (3.26)$$

The plug-in periods are during periods of operational downtime of the vehicles, during operation times only when needed. Independently of obtaining the absolute magnitude for each fleet, the charging demand is assigned to timestep $t \in \mathcal{T}$:

$$D_{f,n,l,t}^{\text{BEV}} = g(D_{f,n,l}^{\text{BEV}}, t) \quad (3.27)$$

$g(\cdot)$ indicates here the function assigning the amount of charging load to each time, resulting in a charging demand defined for each time step, $D_{f,n,l,t}^{\text{BEV}}$.

3.4.4 Estimation of charging capacities

3.4.5 Integration to electricity system model

Hier die Implementierung mit dem EDISON

4 Results of case studies

4.1 Fast-charging infrastructure network capacities for passenger cars along Austria's highway network in 2030 (RQ1)

4.1.1 Case study: Austrian highway network 2030

The proposed modeling framework is applied to Austria's highway network by modeling a cost-optimal charging infrastructure expansion for 2030 under different future scenarios. In this study, year 2030 has been chosen here mainly due to the two following reasons: first is that the aim of the analysis of this paper is to illustrate short-term infrastructure requirements (short term in terms of infrastructure planning), and second is that it is a significant year in decarbonization plans for the transport sector as the Paris Agreement explicitly states a 20% electrification of global road transport by 2030 [136].

To extrapolate future scenarios, model input parameters were set, which describe the current status of Austria in 2021. Table 4.1 presents the selected values. Until the end of December 2021, 76,539 electric vehicles have been registered in Austria [137], which make up for 1.5 % of all the registered passenger cars in Austria. In order to determine traffic load on highways during peak hour and the share of long-distance drivers, the most recently acquired data (Austrian-wide) on mobility patterns was used [138]. Similar to the work of Jochem et al. [139], it was assumed that all car trips taking longer than 45 min and are longer than 25km or car trips longer than 50km are most probable to include driving on highways or motorways. Furthermore, trips were classified as long-distance if the drive was at least 100km long, following the common definition of *long-distance* travel [140]. Based on the starting times of these trips, it was evaluated that during the hour of peak demand on Austrian highways 12% of the daily traffic takes place and 24% of the traffic are long-distance travelers.

Traffic counts were obtained from ASFINAG [141], which provide averaged weekly traffic counts for up to 276 positions along Austrian's highways and motorways. Their data encompasses counts for vehicles of two categories, namely: vehicles weighing up to 3.5 tons and those weighing greater than 3.5 tons. As no differentiation is made between light-duty vehicles and passenger cars in the category of < 3.5 tons, it was assumed that all vehicles of this category are passenger cars, as light-duty transport will also be transitioned to electromobility [142]. Data for the year 2019 was chosen to be representative for 2021 as the complete data set for 2021 has not been published as of the time of the conduction of this analysis, and the 2020 dataset cannot be used due to being effected by the month-long lockdowns during the COVID pandemic.

The technical parameters $\bar{d}_{spec,BEV}$, $\bar{dist}_{range,BEV}$, and $\bar{P}_{charge,BEV}$ were set in such a way that they would represent an average Austrian BEV. For this, the technological attributes of the

respective top 10 sold cars during the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 were used to evaluate the average values (see Appendix ?? for details on this).

Infrastructure cost component c_X is particularly difficult to set here as these onsite preparation costs may significantly vary based on the location of the site. Indications for the approximation of this value were drawn from [139], [68] and [143]. The installation costs of one charging point, c_Y , was assumed to be €60,000 for the hardware of a charging pole with $\hat{P}_{CP} = 150kW$ — which currently enables the fastest charging of passenger cars; an added construction costs to be €7,000 [143, 144]. Furthermore, it was assumed that the maximum installed capacity at a charging station is $12MW$.

The shape of the Austrian highway and motorway network was mapped based on geographic data by OpenStreetMap contributors [145]. The positions of the service areas were gathered based on the information drawn from ASFINAG [146] and complemented with geographic information from OpenStreetMap contributors [145]. The retrieved highway network used throughout the analysis has an overall length of $220km$ and consists of 55 segments. Moreover, there are 249 nodes in total, 139 of which represent service areas and 110 junctions. Further details on data preparation are found in the Appendix ??.

Table 4.1: Model input parameters reflecting the status quo in Austria.

Base case	
Input parameter	Value
BEV share ϵ	1.5%
Share of traffic load during peak hour γ_h	12%
Share of long-distance drivers μ	24%
Share of overall traffic load compared with the survey year of traffic counts α	100%
traffic count data \hat{f}_{ik}	maximum recorded daily traffic counts 2019
energy consumption of an average BEV in the car fleet $\bar{d}_{spec,BEV}$	$0.24kWh/km$
driving range of an average BEV in the car fleet $\bar{dist}_{range,BEV}$	$340km$
charging capacity of an average BEV $\bar{P}_{charge,BEV}$	$81kW$
peak capacity of a charging point \hat{P}_{CP}	$150kW$
maximum installed charging capacity at a charging station P_{max}	$12MW$
investment costs for installation a charging station c_X	€ 40,000
investment costs for installation of one charging point $c_{Y,150kW}$	€ 67,000

4.1.1.1 Future scenarios

Four quantitative scenarios for Austrian highway charging infrastructure expansion are outlined. These were developed in the course of the Horizon 2020 research project openEntrance [147]. The scenarios outline pathways to climate change mitigation by reaching the 1.5°C or 2.0°C targets and are referred to as the *Societal Commitment (SC)*, *Techno-Friendly (TF)*, *Directed Transition (DT)* and *Gradual Development (GD)* scenarios. The former three pathways aim to mitigate climate change by keeping the temperature rise to a maximum of 1.5°C as specified in the Paris Agreement, the latter to 2.0°C . Within these scenarios, the extent of societal engagement, implementations of technological novelties and the strong presence of political interventions in climate change mitigation vary [see also 148, 149]. These scenarios were developed to outline mitigation paths for different economic sectors in Europe and are used here to align the analysis described in this paper into the large-scale context of decarbonization. Based on this, different developments of the transport sector relevant to the present work are projected:

- **Societal Commitment (SC):** Within this scenario, politics are strongly intervening which is met by wide-spread societal acceptance, triggering behavioral changes in the face of awareness of the necessity of climate change mitigation. While this scenario is characterized by a reduction in energy demand due to behavioral changes, societal engagement supporting circular economy, and new market solutions, it is assumed that no significant technological breakthroughs appear. This translates in the transport sector to an increased modal shift to sharing concepts and public transport, which causes a significant decrease in individual passenger road transport.
- **Techno-Friendly (TF):** This setting combines the appearance of major technological breakthroughs and strong societal engagement, which results in an increased top down push effect in the application of new technologies that improve energy efficiency. Simultaneously, similarly as in the SC scenario, there is a strong social commitment driving an increased modal shift away from individual passenger car transport.
- **Directed Transition (DT):** Similarly as in the TF scenario, there is a strong active policy push supporting new technology options. While there are major technological developments, the social commitment to adopting such developments is missing. This results in the moderate growth of BEV share throughout the years and a decreased modal shift, but registered BEVs of the Austrian car fleet still show similar technological improvements as in the TF scenario.
- **Gradual Development (GD):** This scenario represents the projection of less ambitious climate change mitigation goals. It embodies the exertion of all three dimensions, namely, social engagement, technological breakthroughs, and significant political interventions, only a weaker extent of each. Therefore, while BEV penetration will grow to some degree, and technological improvements will appear, no changes in mobility patterns are expected for this pathway.

Based on these scenario descriptions, we embed projections on changes in the modal split and developments in the BEV technology in European climate mitigation pathways for 2030. Parameters ϵ and α are specified based on the climate change mitigation goals for Austria's passenger transport sector described in the governmental document "Austria's Mobility Master Plan 2030" (AMMP) [142]. One of these key goals is to reduce motorized private transport by 31% between the years 2018 and 2040 to meet the 1.5°C target set by the Paris Agreement. In the SC scenario where strong societal and political engagement act together, this goal will be met by 2030. The AMMP further specifies that by 2030, 100% of newly registered passenger vehicles must be exclusively powered by an electric engine. In the SC and TF scenarios, it is assumed that the share of new registrations of electric vehicles will gradually increase until 100% in 2030 due to the strong awareness of the necessity of electromobility by the society. For the DT and GD scenarios, the steady growth rate as experienced in 2020-2021 is projected until 2030, which will result in an EV share of 27%¹.

Table 4.2 presents the projected values. The presence of major technological breakthroughs is expressed by a significant development in the driving range of BEVs and increasing charging power, which is in line with the current major focus in BEV technology research on battery technology with the goal of allowing faster charging and longer trips [150, 151]. According to the study by Thielmann et al. [151], there is a great potential in battery storage research suggesting that technological breakthroughs in the next years could lead to the sale of BEVs with a driving range of up to 1000km . Based on this, the sale of BEVs with an average driving range of up to 800km is projected for 2030 in the TF and DT scenarios, whereas in the SC scenario, this range is assumed to be 450km , being slightly larger than the ranges of BEVs currently on the market (see Table ?? in Appendix ??). To reflect a weak extent of technical developments in the GD scenario, the increase in the average driving range of up to 600km is projected for 2030.

To compare the results of the scenarios, a similar peak power for charging points is assumed for all four scenarios. The study by Andersen et al. [150] projected $\hat{P}_{CP} = 350\text{kW}$ to be the predominant peak charging power by 2030. The costs for the hardware of a charging pole are estimated to be $\text{€}120,000$, as well as an additional construction cost of $\text{€}7,000$ [152, 153]. To reflect different improvements in charging efficiency, technological breakthroughs are assumed to lead to charging power levels of up to $\bar{P}_{charge,BEV} = 315\text{kW}$, given that the efficiency will increase up to 90%, as for charging poles with peak capacity of 50kW nowadays [154]. Today, one of the passenger car models with the highest charging power is Porsche Taycan with $\bar{P}_{charge,BEV} = 197\text{kW}$. For the SC and GD scenarios, this is assumed to be adopted by all BEV vehicles in 2030.

Other model input parameters are assumed to be similar as in 2021, using the values from Table 4.1. Table 4.3 summarizes the overall projected values describing the average Austrian car fleet in 2030 which were extrapolated based on the assumption that these parameters would gradually change in a linear way until 2030 on the basis of the values for 2021 (see also Appendix ??).

¹This was calculated under the assumption that the size of the Austrian car fleet will not grow further from today.

Table 4.2: Car fleet parameters and average technical parameters of an average BEV on the market in 2030 for different scenarios (BEV share ϵ , share in road traffic α , average driving range $\overline{dist}_{range,BEV}$, average charging power $\overline{P}_{charge,BEV}$).

Model parameters	Projections for 2030 under different scenarios			
	Social Commitment	Techno-Friendly	Directed Transition	Gradual Development
$\epsilon(\%)$	33	33	27	27
$\alpha(\%)$	69	83	83	100
$\overline{dist}_{range,BEV}(km)$	450	800	600	800
$\overline{P}_{charge,BEV}(kW)$	200	315	315	200

Table 4.3: Model parameter values projected for the scenarios of climate change mitigation, set for year 2030 (BEV share ϵ , share in road traffic α , average driving range $\overline{dist}_{range,BEV}$, average charging power $\overline{P}_{charge,BEV}$, peak charging power of a charging point \hat{P}_{CP} , costs of installment of one charging point c_Y).

Model parameters	Input parameters for scenarios 2030			
	Societal Commitment	Techno-Friendly	Directed Transition	Gradual Development
$\epsilon (\%)$	33	33	27	27
$\alpha (\%)$	69	83	83	100
$\overline{dist}_{range,BEV} (km)$	420	670	660	520
$\overline{P}_{charge,BEV}(kW)$	166	248	243	164
$\hat{P}_{CP}(kW)$	350	350	350	350
$c_{Y,350kW} (\text{€})$	127,000	127,000	127,000	127,000

4.1.2 Expansion of Fast-Charging Infrastructure along Austrian Highway Network under Different Scenarios

In this section, the most relevant results are presented. It is divided into two parts: First, we elaborate on the expansion requirements for the existing fast-charging infrastructure along Austria's highway network under different future scenarios for 2030. Details on the results obtained for the DT scenario, for which the costs of fast-charging infrastructure expansion are the lowest, are presented. Subsequently, the results of the modeled expansion given four different scenarios, SC, TF, DT and GD, are compared based on parameters describing the costs and the required charging infrastructure expansion. To gain better insight into how the observed differences between the scenarios come to place, selected input parameters of the scenario result with the highest infrastructure expansion costs for 2030, which is the GD scenario, are altered. In the second part of this section, the focus shifts from the required infrastructure expansion for 2030 to the analysis of changing infrastructure requirements in the face of technological development and increasing demand. First, the effect of change in the driving range of an

average BEV is observed and, second, that of increasing demand by the rising share of BEVs in the Austrian car fleet.

4.1.3 Expansion of fast-charging infrastructure along Austrian highway network under different scenarios for 2030

Under the consideration of existing charging points with the peak capacity of $\hat{P}_{CP} = 350kW$, which is assumed to be the predominant charging capacity of fast-charging infrastructure for 2030, and the assumption that the investment of on-site preparation (c_X) has been made for all existing charging stations with charging points allowing fast-charging, the expansion of the current charging infrastructure along the Austrian highway network was modeled under different climate mitigation scenarios.

4.1.3.1 Austria's fast-charging infrastructure for 2030 under the Directed Transition scenario

Table 4.4 and Figure 4.1 display the modeling results for the expansion of the current $350kW$ charging infrastructure along highways in Austria for 2030 under the DT scenario. In Figure 4.1, the charging infrastructure expansion is expressed through additionally needed capacities. The expansions at existing charging points are indicated in dark green, and required capacities at newly installed charging points are indicated in orange. The charging stations in the lighter shades of green and orange indicate the required expansion of $350\text{--}4900kW$, i.e., by 1-14 charging points, and charging stations in the darker shades installations of additional $5200\text{--}10500kW$, i.e., 15 - 28 additional charging points. The total infrastructure expansion costs are estimated to be €54 Mio., which are translated to €/kW 369 and €39 per registered BEV in the Austrian car fleet in 2030. While currently, 40 charging points with $\hat{P}_{CP} = 350kW$, i.e., 14MW, are installed along Austrian highways, an additional +146MW of charging capacity are required until 2030. Further, additional 24 charging stations are needed, of which 10 are positioned within the dense part of the highway network in the East of Austria, in the vicinity of Vienna. The results also indicate the need for the installation of new charging stations near the Austrian border in order to cover all demand within the boarders, which mostly results from the model formulation enforcing all coverage of demand within the network as described in Section ???. Aside from this, there exist three charging stations that do not need any infrastructure expansion.

Table 4.4: Cost parameters and charging infrastructure attributes resulting from the expansion of the existing $\hat{P}_{CP} = 350kW$ charging infrastructure under the *Directed Transition (DT)* scenario.

	Nb. of charging stations	Total capacity	Specific capacity costs	Specific costs per BEV	Total expansion costs
DT scenario 2030	54	160MW	€/kW 369	€/BEV 39	€ 54 Mio.

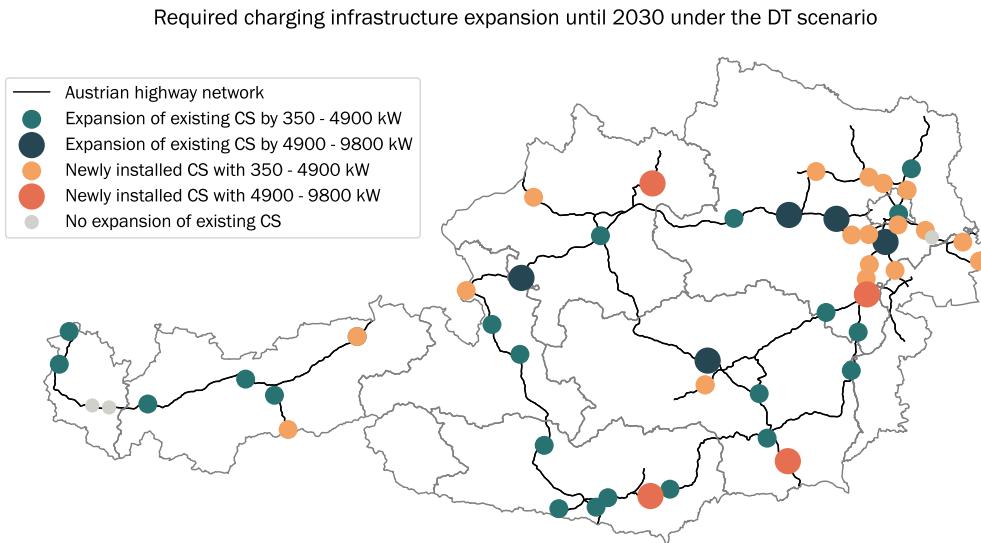


Figure 4.1: Required expansion of fast-charging infrastructure along Austrian highways in 2030.
Sizing of capacities that need to be added at currently existing and nonexisting charging stations (CS) given the *Directed Transition (DT)* scenario.

4.1.3.2 Comparison of the results from different future scenarios

Table 4.5 presents a comparison of key parameters describing the required infrastructure expansion under different future scenarios for Austria in 2030. The following observations are made:

- The expansion under the DT scenario ,for which the input parameters were set based on the assumption of a strong presence of political incentives pushing technological developments, results in the lowest costs of charging infrastructure expansion (€54 Mio.).
- There is a relative difference of up to +84% between the scenario causing the minimum expansion costs (DT) and the highest costs arising in the GD scenario, within which weaker climate change mitigation measures are assumed.
- The number of charging stations remains in a similar range for all scenarios, varying between 54 and 57. The specific infrastructure expansion costs per *kW* remain also very stable at around €/kW 368.
- The specific costs per BEV range between 39 and 72 and are the lowest in the TF and DT scenarios. The common trait of these two scenarios is the presence of technological breakthroughs leading to higher driving ranges and charging capacity of BEVs.

Table 4.5: Comparison of the results for expansion of fast-charging infrastructure expansion along Austrian highways under different scenarios for 2030. The lowest specific costs per BEV and lowest total infrastructure expansion costs are highlighted.

Model output	Scenarios 2030			
	<i>Societal Commitment</i>	<i>Techno-Friendly</i>	<i>Directed Transition</i>	<i>Gradual Development</i>
Nb. charging stations	54	53	54	56
Total capacity (MW)	238	192	160	285
Specific capacity costs (€/kW)	368	368	369	367
Specific costs per BEV (€/BEV)	49	39	39	72
Total infrastructure expansion costs (€)	85 Mio.	68 Mio.	54 Mio.	100 Mio.
Rel. change of costs to DT scenario	+57%	+26%	-	+85%

4.1.3.3 Cost-reduction potentials in the Gradual Development scenario

To shed light into why the infrastructure expansion costs in the GD scenario are up to +85% higher than in the other scenarios and how the high specific costs per BEV of €/BEV 72 come to place, selected input parameters are altered and the effects on the costs are observed. These alterations reflect developments which are absent in the GD scenario but present in the others and which essentially lead to a cost reduction in charging infrastructure expansion investments. The following projections are drawn from the other scenarios and based on these, input parameters are altered in the GD scenario: a medium decrease in road traffic by -17% until 2030 as in the TF and DT scenarios, a major decrease by -31% as in the SC scenario, technological breakthroughs as in the TF and DT scenarios altering the driving range of an average BEV sold in 2030 to be 800km, and having an average charging capacity of 315kW at a charging point with $\bar{P}_{CP} = 350kW$. Further details on these alterations are displayed in Table 4.6.

Figure 4.2 and Table 4.7 display the resulting cost reductions and changes in the required fast-charging infrastructure in response to the respective parameter changes. The lowest infrastructure expansion costs are achieved through the increase of BEV charging power which causes a large decrease in the required capacity as the efficiency of charging increases. Similarly, high cost reduction is accomplished by decreasing the overall traffic load which essentially reduces the demand for charging infrastructure. No cost reduction results from the increase in BEV driving range. Figure 4.2 illustrates these changes in costs in response to the specific parameter alterations visually.

Table 4.6: Description of input parameter alterations reducing costs in the *Gradual Development (GD)* scenario. The parameter alterations are based on the other three scenarios: *Societal Commitment (SC)*, *Techno-Friendly (TF)*, *Directed Transition (DT)*.

Parameter change	Description (reference scenario)	Altered input parameter	Value in GD scenario
Medium decrease in road traffic	The overall road traffic load is subject to a reduction of -17% (DT, TF).	α	100%
Major decrease in road traffic	The overall road traffic load is subject to a reduction of -31% (SC).	α	100%
Increase in driving range	The driving range of BEVs being sold in 2030 is increased to $1000km$ (DT, TF).	$\overline{dist}_{range,BEV}$	$520km$
Increase in charging power	The average charging capacity of BEVs sold in 2030 is projected to be $315kW$ (DT, TF).	$\overline{P}_{charge,BEV}$	$164kW$

Table 4.7: Changes in fast-charging infrastructure and associated investment costs in the face of different cost-reduction measures as described in Table 4.6. The highest cost reductions are highlighted.

	GD scenario 2030	Cost-reduction measures			
		Medium decrease in road traffic	Major decrease in road traffic	Increase in driving range	Increase in charging power
Nb. of charging stations	54	54	54	55	54
Total capacity (MW)	285	238	197	286	139
Total expansion costs (€)	100 Mio.	82 Mio.	68 Mio.	100 Mio.	66 Mio.
Rel. change	-	-18%	-32%	-0%	-34%

4.1.4 Sensitivity Analyses on the Requirements for Fast-Charging Infrastructure

In the following, the mere infrastructure requirements in 2030 without regards to the charging infrastructure currently in place are analyzed. This is done to better understand how requirements for the fast-charging infrastructure change as a function of technological BEV parameters and in response to growing demand. First, the effect of the average driving range of an average BEV in the Austrian car fleet is observed in the context of the TF scenario during which major developments in battery technology are expected. Second, the change in modeled charging infrastructure depending on the BEV share in the car fleet within the SC scenario, which reflects high societal commitment to BEV uptake, is demonstrated.

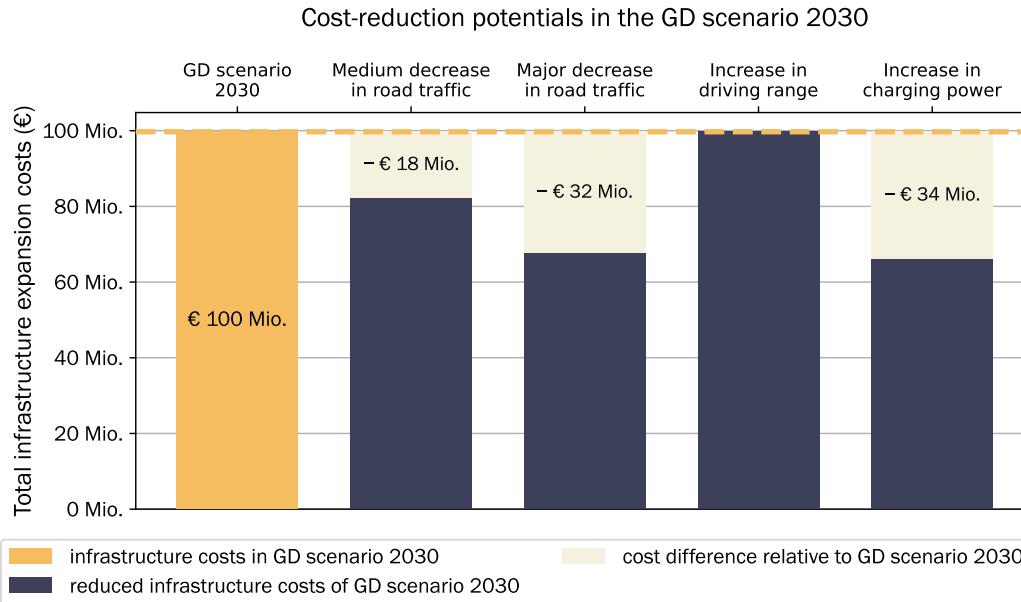


Figure 4.2: **Cost reduction potentials in the *Directed Transition (DT)* scenario.** (Detailed descriptions of the measures are in Table 4.6.)

4.1.4.1 Increasing driving range in the Techno-Friendly scenario

The driving range is altered between 200 and 1400km. Figure 4.3 presents the changing distribution of the numbers of the charging points at the charging stations and total number of charging stations in response to gradually increasing driving range in the TF scenario. In this figure, the blue boxplots display the distribution of charging points (CP) along the charging stations (CS). The gray dashed line indicates the maximum possible number of charging points at a charging station which is 34. This is given by the maximum installed capacity of 12MW at a charging station. The dark red connected points indicate the total number of charging stations in the modeled charging infrastructure. Table 4.8 presents the change in the key parameters for the driving ranges of 200, 800 and 1400km and gives an impression on how the key parameters of the modeled fast-charging infrastructure change in the course of the conducted sensitivity analysis. Given the assumed development in the TF scenario, the average driving range of BEVs in the Austrian car fleet is projected to be 670km by 2030 and reach approximately 1000km by around 2040.

With the increasing range, energy demand can be shifted further away from the node where it originates, which results in wider solution space during the optimization. Overall, the infrastructure costs stay stable between €71 Mio. and €72 Mio. throughout this parameter alteration. The total number of charging stations decreases from 55 at 200km to a minimum of 38 at 1100km. The installed capacity stays constant. Starting at the range of 300km, fully occupied charging stations occur throughout the sensitivity analysis. Overall the highest costs of investments are at 200km and drop to €71 Mio at the range of 500km.

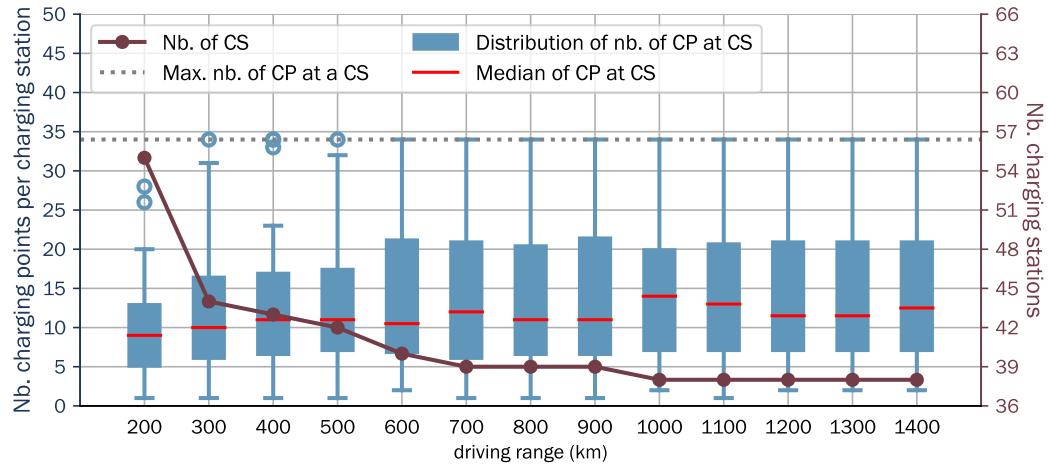
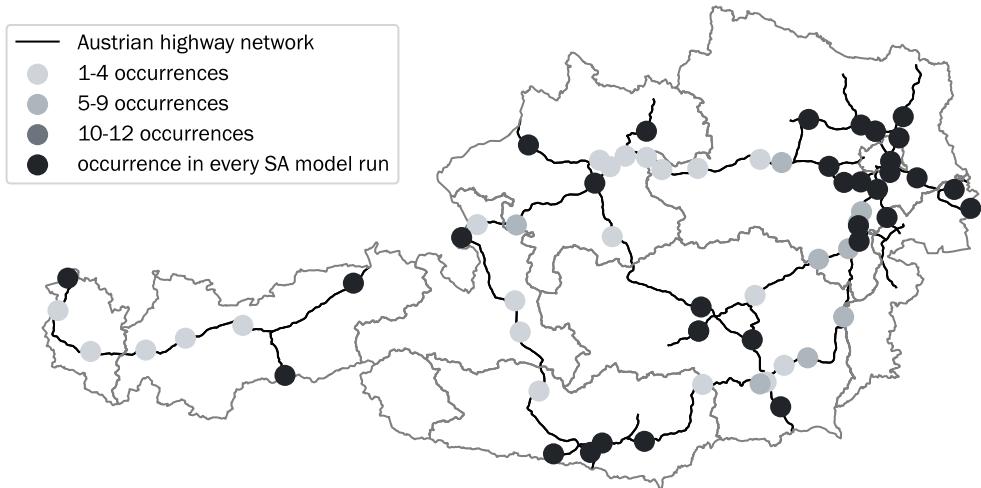


Figure 4.3: **Sensitivity analysis on driving range.** Impact of the increase of the driving range of BEVs on the distribution of the number of charging points (*CP*) at charging stations and the total amount of charging stations (*CS*).

During this analysis, the model was run for each of the ranges between 200 and 1400km every 100km and, therefore, in total, for 13 times. During all of these model runs, at 34 of all service areas, charging station installations occurred in each of the model runs. The top sub-figure in Figure 4.4 illustrates these charging stations in black. The bottom illustration shows which of these are currently existing charging stations (in bright green) and which are not (in red). Overall, 11 of these 34 permanent charging stations are existing charging stations.

Constantly present CS locations during SA on driving range



Comparison to existing infrastructure

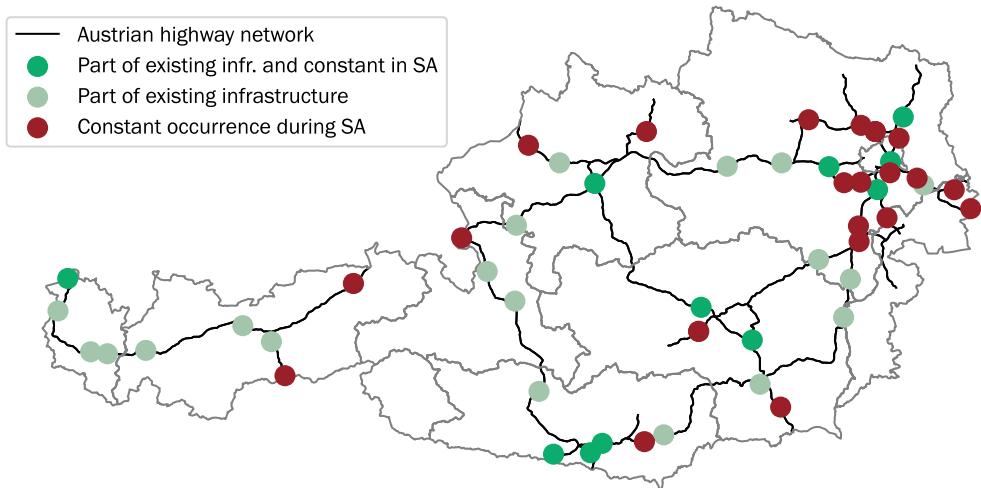


Figure 4.4: **Frequent charging point allocations.** **Top:** Visualization of charging stations (CS) which occur during the model runs of the sensitivity analysis (SA) on BEV driving range. **Bottom:** Visualization of CS which are constantly present during the SA and are part of the existing infrastructure.

4.1.4.2 Increasing share of BEVs in the Societal Commitment scenario

Figure 4.5 presents the results of the sensitivity analysis on the share of BEVs in the Austrian car fleet under the SC scenario for 2030. The top-left sub-figure presents the total installed capacity of the fast-charging infrastructure as a function of rising share of BEVs. The top-right sub-figure displays the change in the number of charging stations. Boxplots illustrating the distribution of the number of charging points at charging stations are presented in the bottom-left sub-figure. The timeline in this figure is projected based on the assumption that as of 2030, all registered

cars will be BEVs and a BEV has a lifetime of 10 years which would lead to an Austrian car fleet that is 100 % electric by 2040. Table 4.8 presents the values of parameters describing the key features of modeled infrastructure for the different shares of BEVs, 10%, 50% and 100%.

The required capacity for fast-charging is rising linearly with the share of BEVs. The number of charging stations is significantly increasing between 40% to 100%, indicating the requirement for a densification of the fast-charging infrastructure. This effect of densification can be attributed to the increasing amount of fully occupied charging stations which is visible in the bottom left sub-figure of Figure 4.5. The overall cost increase by a factor of about 10 between 10% and 100% share of BEVs, so does the required capacity.

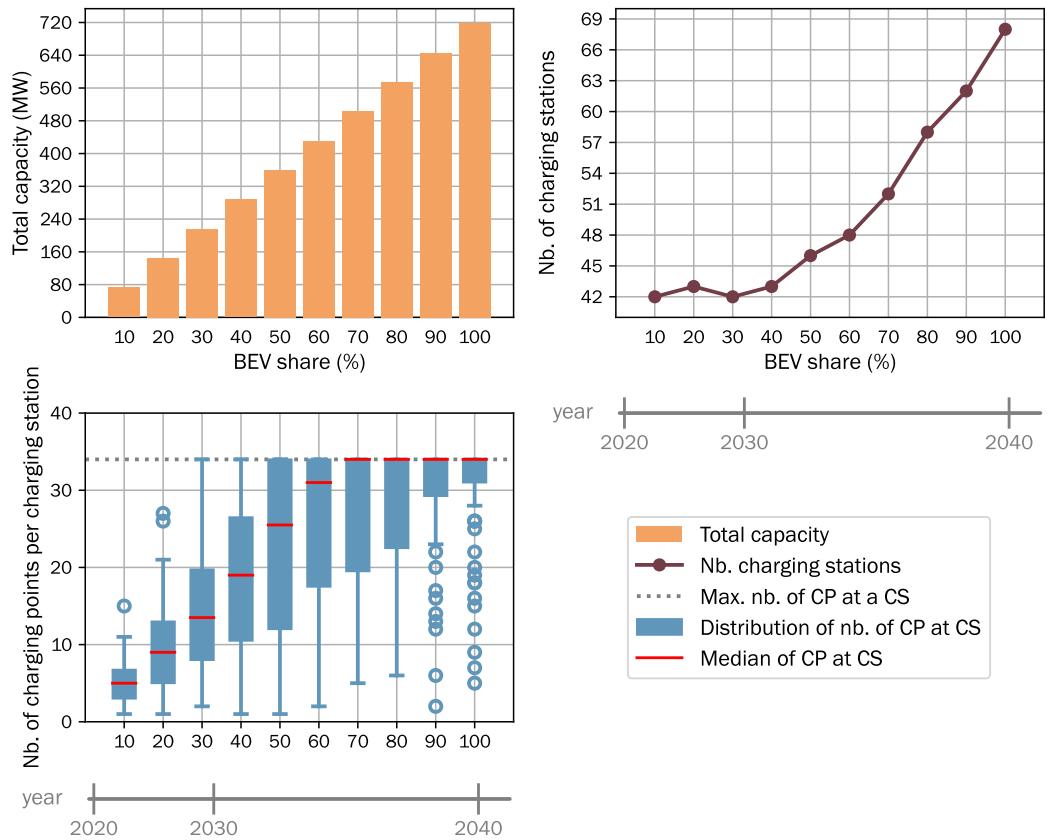


Figure 4.5: **Sensitivity analysis of the increasing BEV share.** **Top-left:** Total required capacity of the fast-charging stations of required charging infrastructure. **Top-right:** Number of charging stations (CS). **Bottom-left:** Distribution of the number of charging points (CP) at the charging stations.

Table 4.8: Key parameters describing the results of the sensitivity analyses on the driving range in the *Techno-Friendly* (TF) scenario and share of BEVs in the *Societal Commitment* (SC) scenario.

	driving range $dist_{range,BEV}$ (TF)			share of BEV ϵ (SC)		
	200km	800km	1400km	10%	50%	100%
Nb. of charging stations	55	39	38	42	46	68
Total capacity (MW)	192	192	192	73	360	718
Total investment costs (€)	72 Mio.	71 Mio.	71 Mio.	28 Mio.	132 Mio.	263 Mio.

4.2 Impact of charging infrastructure roll-out strategies on BEV adoption in the Basque Community, Spain in the long-term (RQ2)

4.2.1 Case study: Passenger car fleet of the Basque Country, Spain

4.2.1.1 Basque Country

The geographic extent of this analysis of this paper is the autonomous community Basque Country (in Spanish: *País Vasco*, NUTS code: ES21). This region is located in the North of Spain. The current passenger car vehicle stock is in the magnitude of 1.08 Mio. (2022) [155]. In 2023, the electrification rate of the passenger car fleet was at 0.05% [156]. The Basque Country is classified as a NUTS-2 region in the EV NUTS classification scheme [157] and consists of three NUTS-3 regions: Araba/Álava² (ES211), Guipuzcoa (ES212), Bizkaia (ES213). Figure 4.7 displays the relative geographic allocation of the regions and of the capital cities. For RQ1, we represent the NUTS-2 region as one node. For RQ2, we derive a graph-based conceptualization with three nodes representing each of the NUTS-3 regions and three edges representing the transport connections between neighboring regions.

Origin-destination data We use the modeled passenger car trips by ETISplus database [158] which holds information about: origin, destination zones (NUTS-3 level [157]), trip purposes, as well as route lengths and shortest-path route information for trips between all regions. A subset including NUTS-3 regions of the Basque Country is extracted. We further exclude all trips that go beyond the border of the case study area. This corresponds to the selection of 99% of all trips originating from there. Based on this, we set the system boundaries of the analysis equal to the boundaries of the Basque Country.

The ETISplus data were calibrated for transportation demand in 2010. To consider the growth in passenger car trips since then, we use the relative growth of the passenger car fleet since then [159]. The subsequent growth of the travel demand until 2050 is extrapolated based on historic GDP growth since 2020 [160].

Trips are categorized by the following purposes: *Business*, *Private*, *Vacation*, and *Commuting*. Trip purposes of the category *Business* are taken into account in the sizing of fueling infrastructure, but are not assigned to explicit consumer groups of different income levels. *Private* trips are defined as non-business trips with a duration of up to four days, while *Vacation* refers to trips that take more than four days. *Commuting* includes daily trips for working and studying purposes. Figure 4.6 displays the initial data trip count by purpose for local trips, i.e. within a NUTS-3 region, and inter-regional trips between NUTS-3 regions within the Basque Country.

²For the readability of the article, we refer to the region by its Basque language, Araba.

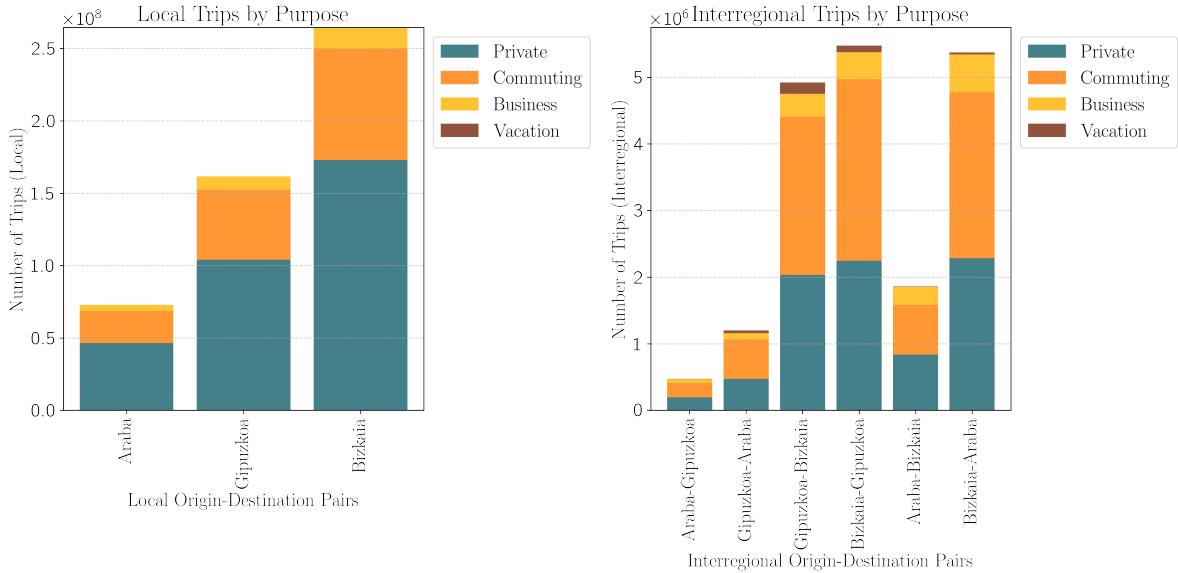


Figure 4.6: Passenger car trips by purpose: Within a NUTS-3 region (*left*) and between NUTS-3 regions (*right*)

In the underlying data set by ETISplus, route lengths are given for the connections between NUTS-3 regions but not for trips within a region. To compensate for this missing information, we perform the assignment of route lengths (see Table 4.9).

Table 4.9: Path lengths assigned to trips within a region (same origin and destination on NUTS-3 level)

Region type	Share of total trips within a region	Average trip length (km)		
		Private	Commuting	Business
Urban	21%	7.4	10.4	13.0
Rural	79%	9.7	17.1	23.2

Introduction of income-class specific parameters The key assumptions in the introduction of the income-class specific parameters is that the central difference in travel patterns by income class is the motorization rate, by monetary budget and home ownership [161, 162]. The income classes are characterized by having different monetary budgets for the purchase of vehicles and different VoT values. We consider five different income classes: *Very high income*, *High income*, *Medium low income*, *Low income* and *Very low income* class, mirroring the income class classification of EUROSTAT via five quintiles [163]. The most important preprocessing steps related to the income classes include the distribution of trips among them, the determination of monetary budgets and limitations for home-based charging infrastructure. We, therefore, characterize the five consumer groups by the motorization rate, VoT, average monetary budgets for new vehicles, the frequency of vehicle purchase, and the share of home ownership. Assumptions for these are summarized in Table 4.10.

Mattioli et al. [164] define a relation between motorization rate and purchasing power on NUTS-2 region level, derived from EUROSTAT data. We use this as a proxy to determine a relationship between the purchasing power standard (PPS) of the income class and the motorization rate, together with the average motorization rate in the Basque Country. This relationship is: Motorization rate = $0.02 \times \text{PPS} + 79$. The VoT parameter is reported to vary significantly based on the monetary budgets. We use the value used in the case study by Tattini et al. [18] who apply these values in the context of a Danish case study. Due to the lack of published data for VoT values calibrated for different income classes in Spain or the Basque Country, we assume similar values for the present case study as found for Denmark and adapt these based on relative purchase power numbers, applying the factor $\times(92/139)$ [165].

Table 4.10: Overview on assumptions between the income classes

Income class	Purchase Power Standard	Motorization rate (nb. of veh/1000)	Value of Time (€/h)	Average monetary budget over 10 years (€)	Purchase frequency (a)	Assumed home ownership
Very low	10081	338	6.60	4160	10	30%
Low	19685	425	12.77	9282	8	55%
Medium low	27932	500	18.93	13910	6	85%
High	37910	599	25.10	18824	4	100%
Very high	61086	800	31.27	26545	2	100%

A statistic for the UK details expenditures for purchases [166] [167], displaying an approximately linear relationship between level of income and expenditure for purchases, among with how much is spend on the primary market. Based on this, we determine the monetary budgets for a new vehicle from the primary market for the *Very high*, *High* and *Medium High* income class, while we use the vehicle purchase price from the secondary market for the budget quantification of income class levels *Low* and *Very low*. Home ownership is extrapolated from the average Spanish home ownership rate reported in [168].

4.2.1.2 Drivetrain technologies and fuels

When it comes to the selection of the drivetrain technologies, we simplify it to two options: fossil-fueled vehicles and plug-in battery-electric vehicles. In contrast to this choice, studies in the literature have included larger technology portfolios by considering different electric car technologies, such as hydrogen fuel-cell or hybrid plug-in electric. The reason for the limitation to two technologies is twofold: Plug-in battery-electric vehicles have been largely proven to be cost-wise and environmentally the most viable, with a promising outlook on further cost decreases [169]. Therefore, most policies focus on supporting this technology. We reduce the fuels used to *fossil fuel*, including diesel and petrol, and electricity. Cost parameters for electricity are drawn from marginal costs for the energy system optimization for Spain performed with GENeSYS-MOD [170]. The average fuel price is based on [171]. Costs of the drive-train technologies are drawn from a detailed modeling of the manufacturing of all components by [169]. We reduce the complexity of different car sizes to one representative vehicle type as related parameters to the choice of the car size - for example, household size, housing type [172] - are not part of the modeling. Therefore, different sizes are excluded to avoid introducing a modeling bias

Table 4.11: Overview of a selection of assumed parametrization for passenger cars of battery-electric vehicles (BEV) and fossil-fueled internal-combustion engine vehicles (ICEV).

	2025	2035	2045	Reference
BEV (first-hand market)				
CAPEX (€)	18,000	16,100	15,200	[169]
fuel costs (€/kWh)	0.05	0.03	0.03	[170]
Specific consumption (kWh/100km)	16.9	13.4	12.7	[169]
Battery capacity (kWh)	56	69	70	[169]
ICEV (first-hand market)				
CAPEX (€)	12,000	12,800	13,200	[169]
fuel costs (€/kWh)*	0.08	0.12	0.18	[169]
Specific consumption (kWh/100km)	58.1	44.9	36.9	[169]
carbon price (€/tCO ₂)	52	113	250	[174]
Charging infrastructure				
Level II: CAPEX (€/kW)		108		[22]
DCFC: CAPEX (€/kW)		350		[22]
OPEX		30% of CAPEX		

*without carbon pricing

due to insufficient complexity of the model. Table 4.11 summarizes all assumptions on cost parameters and sources. The cost assumptions are based on the work by Grube et al. [169] who have evaluated a wide range of different drive-train technologies for passenger cars and different passenger car sizes, including small, medium, and SUV. Here, we derive the costs for an *average-sized* vehicle by averaging the costs using weights that correspond to the magnitudes of the sizes in the current vehicle stock, assuming that this distribution would be constant throughout the optimization horizon. The data on different vehicle sizes represented in the statistic for different engine sizes in the Spanish vehicle stock are retrieved from [173]. The costs for the maintenance are increased at a rate of 3% per year for the first three years, and then by 10% per year.

To also allow for purchases from the second-hand vehicle market, purchasing options for vehicles of older generation are allowed for. For each technology, we introduce three groups of older vehicles with decreased investment costs but higher costs for maintenance and operation. The technological performance of vehicles available on the second-hand market is a function of their counterpart on the first-hand market and their average age. These three age-groups are: *1-5*, *6-10* and *11+ years*. The maximum lifetime of a vehicle is set to 25 years. An initial vehicle stock with vehicles of different ages is assumed based on data from [173]. The cost for vehicles on the second-hand market are calculated assuming a 65% drop in resale price after the first year and after this, an annual 10% cost decrease. The maintenance costs follow the annual increase in number as described above.

4.2.1.3 Types of charging infrastructure

For fossil-fueled vehicles, we assume that the fueling infrastructure with sufficient capacities has been established. Therefore, for combustion-engine passenger cars, no expansion of the fueling infrastructure is required.

For charging infrastructure, we introduce four different types: Home (Level II), Workplace (Level II), Public slow (Level II), and Public fast (DCFC) (based on [175]). Tables 4.12 and 4.13 summarize relevant assumptions. The reduction in fueling detour time is relevant for public infrastructure. In the case of fast charging (DCFC), the fueling time is considered in addition to the level of service (similar as in the work by Luh et al. [118]), while for the other types of infrastructure, we assume that there the charging is during typical down times of the vehicle and therefore does not impact the level of service. Initial home charging capacity (40 MW in 2020) reflects the early adopter profile of BEV owners, who were predominantly homeowners with dedicated parking and charging infrastructure. This assumption is consistent with empirical findings that early BEV adopters had home charging access rates exceeding 90% [176].

Table 4.12: Overview on the introduced types of charging infrastructure and most important assumptions.

Type of charging infrastructure	Peak power level	Location	Max. utilization rate	Fueling detour time	Extra fueling time
Home (Level II)	11 kW	home	2%		
Workplace (Level II)	11 kW	workplace	20%		
Public slow (Level II)	22 kW	public	25%	×	
Public fast (DCFC)	50 kW +	public	25%	×	×

Table 4.13: Assumptions for the sizing of initial capacities and upper limits for the expansion of charging infrastructure.

Type of charging infrastructure	Sizing of initial charging infrastructure	Limitation for capacity installation
Home (Level II)	based on current observations in the share of charging processes at home chargers (88%, [176])	Home charging infrastructure can be installed in 30% of owned homes.
Workplace (Level II)	based on current observations in the share of charging processes at workplace chargers (8.8%, [176])	based on today's charging demand coverage at work and scaled by current total number of passenger cars in the given region.
Public slow (Level II)	current BEV-to-charging point ratio for public slow chargers [177, 178]	No upper limit
Public fast (DCFC)	current BEV-to-charging point ratio for public fast chargers [177, 178]	No upper limit

. The maximum expansion speed of charging infrastructure is assumed to be 30% which is in line with reported expansion speed by [5].

To ensure that next to public slow charging, capacities for fast charging are installed to reduce range anxiety and enable recharge in cases of emergency (f.e. battery not sufficiently charged), we introduce a constraint imposing a minimum requirement for fast charging depending on the capacity installed for slow charging, which is set at the proportion of 2. This number is derived from the relative difference of the peak power level (the current value in Spain is 4.6 [177]) .

4.2.2 Charging infrastructure roll-out scenarios

Figure 4.7 illustrates the setup for analyzing different scenarios of the roll-out of public charging infrastructure. Illustrations 1 and 2 address the setup to answer RQ1: two expansion strategies are compared, the *Concentrated* and the *Distributed expansion*. For this, the case study area is considered as one NUTS-2 node, while for addressing RQ2, the area is modeled on NUTS-3 level with three nodes.

Overview on charging infrastructure roll-out strategies and geographic resolution

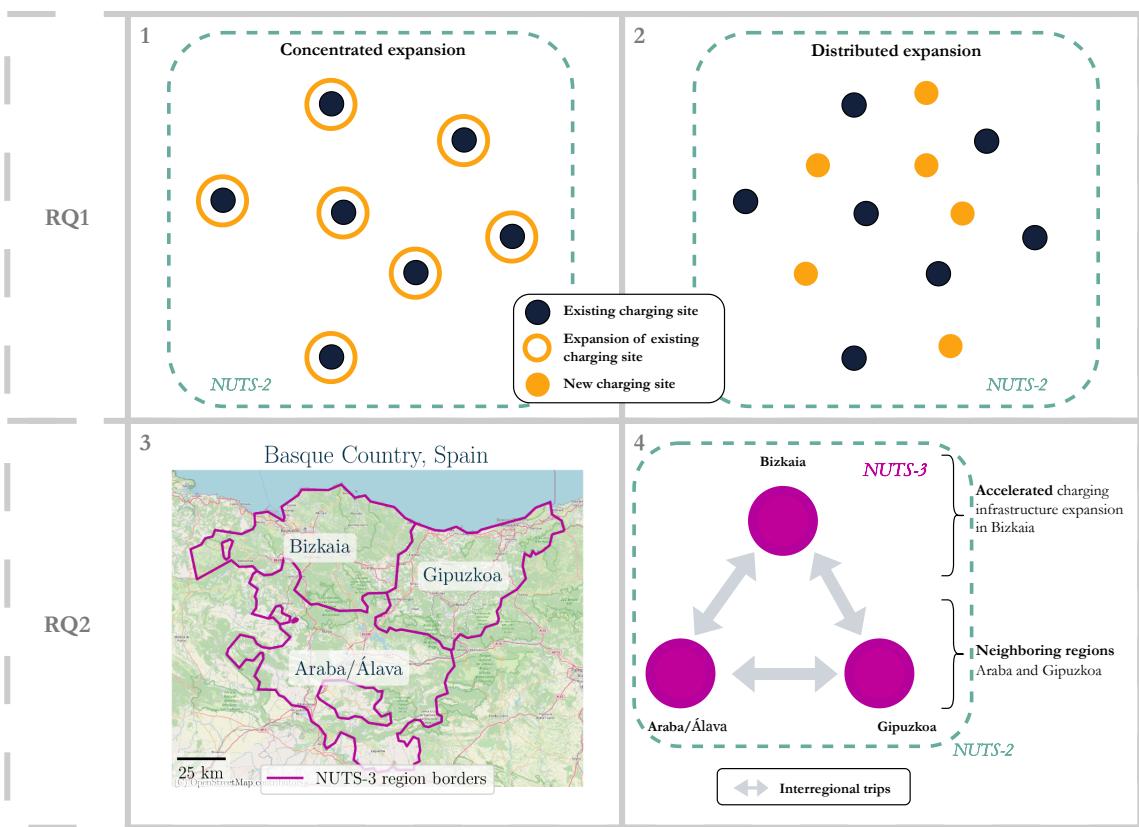


Figure 4.7: Overview of the scenario setups for the analysis. The top row (illustrations 1 and 2) displays the contrasting approaches to the densification of public charging infrastructure, addressing research question 1 (RQ1). In the bottom row, illustration 3 displays a map of the geographic area of Basque Country by its three NUTS-3 regions, together with the corresponding capitals. In illustration 4, it is implied which pace of charging infrastructure roll-out is assumed for the NUTS-3 regions — addressing research question 2 (RQ2).

Spatial densification (RQ1)

The spatial densification of charging infrastructure is addressed using the mixed-integer extension of the optimization model. For this, the trip data is accumulated to the NUTS-2 level.

To quantify the interaction between charging infrastructure investments and the detouring time required to reach the closest public charging station, a function between the average detouring time and installed charging capacities needs to be defined:

$$\alpha = g(q^{fuel_infr,+}) \quad (4.1)$$

α is the factor for the relative decrease of the fueling detour time and is a function of additionally built capacities. By formulating this function, we directly assume that the chargers are spatially evenly distributed throughout the regions' road network. By doing this, we neglect the different degrees of urbanization and the option of allocating charging sites at points of interest, which would decrease detour time in reality. We do this with the premise that for a share of 100% BEV penetration of the passenger car fleet, a spatially even distribution of charger availability is a necessity, to be equally accessible for all. Further, this assumption indicates that there are no malfunctions of charging points which could lead to extended detouring times. The function $g()$ represents this relationship and varies for different charging infrastructure expansion strategies, which are explained in the following:

- *Distributed expansion:* Charging sites with singular charging stations are installed with the aim of achieving a dense charging network. Only when a maximum number of charging sites is reached, the number of charging points at the charging stations is expanded.
- *Concentrated expansion:* The focus lies on expanding the number of stations at charging sites. A maximum is set for the average number of charging stations at charging sites. New stations are only installed when existing sites are expanded to their maximum.

Figure 4.7 illustrates these strategies (Illustrations 1 & 2): Filled circles of dark blue color indicate initial charging infrastructure sites; orange color indicates the allocation of the installation of new charging points. The two strategies are contrasting as the *Concentrated expansion* leads to significantly lower increases in the density of charging stations versus *Distributed expansion* rapidly leads to a dense charging infrastructure. This boils down to the installed charging points ($n^{\text{points per site}}$) per charging site:

$$n^{\text{sites}} = \left\lfloor \frac{\text{installed capacity}}{n^{\text{points per site}}} \right\rfloor \quad (4.2)$$

We simplify the shape of an area using the rectangular form and translate the detour distance to a closest available charging station using the following definition:

$$d^{\text{areal}} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\text{area}}{n^{\text{sites}}}} \quad (4.3)$$

detour distance = $\mu \times d^{\text{areal}}$

Factors μ is a value ≥ 1 and translated the areal distance to the driving distance in the street network. Finally, this is translated to detouring time, B :

$$B = \text{detour distance} \times \frac{1}{\text{driving speed}} \quad (4.4)$$

Three scenarios are defined for the analysis of spatial densification via different values for the parameter $n^{\text{points per site}}$, reflecting the *Distributed* roll-out scenario ($n^{\text{points per site}} = 2$), the *Concentrated* roll-out scenario ($n^{\text{points per site}} = 40$), and one between these two extreme cases with a balanced ten charging points per site ($n^{\text{points per site}} = 10$).

For the definition of suitable ranges in charging infrastructure expansion, we define a minimum detour time that is possible. This is set to five minutes³. No greater reductions of the initial detour time are possible. Figure 4.8 displays reduction curves for different cases of $n^{\text{points per site}}$ for both, fast and slow public charging.

³The five minute threshold is based on an educated guess by the authors. This is based on the assumption that lower times for detouring (time required to reach the charging station **and** back from the charging station) are unrealistic. Further, a lower limit is set to avoid very small values in the optimization which could lead to increased computational complexity in the solution of the MILP.

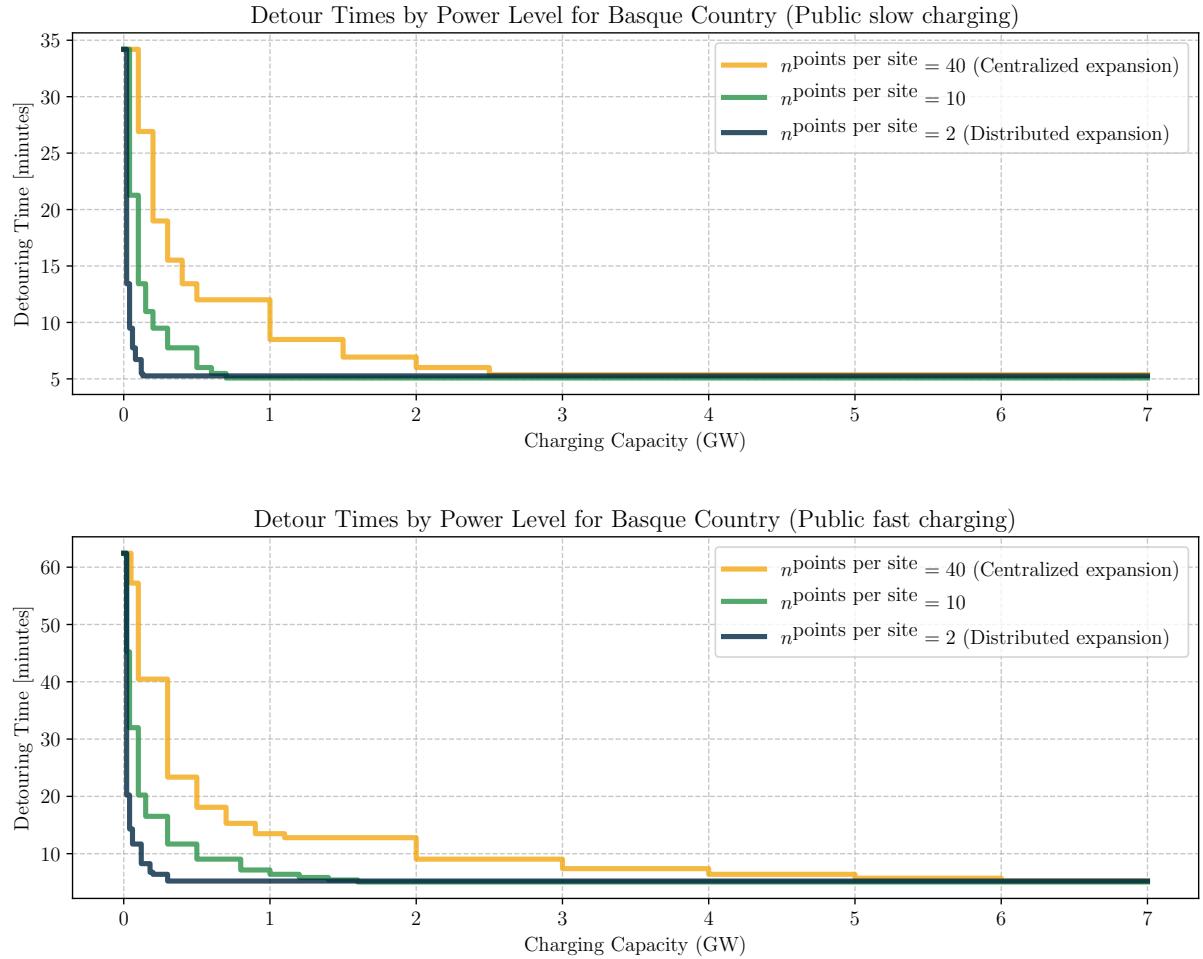


Figure 4.8: Comparison of two vertically aligned figures.

4.2.2.1 Speed of roll-out (RQ2).

The setup for the analysis of RQ2 is displayed in the bottom row of Figure 4.7: We consider BEV adoptions in the three NUTS-3 level regions of the Basque Country and focus on the accelerated charging infrastructure expansion in Bizkaia, while observing the neighboring regions, Araba and Gipuzkoa. For this analysis, we assume the charging infrastructure capacities exogenously by including hard constraints for the infrastructure capacities. Table 4.14 displays an overview of the designed scenarios for the analysis. *Baseline Roll-out* defines a reference scenario based on the disaggregated expansion pathway to the region. The *Central Acc. Roll-out* is designed to analyse the relative changes in electrification compared to this reference scenario caused by an increase of charging infrastructure by 30%. In the scenarios *Neighbor Slower Roll-out* and *Central Acc. + Neighbor Slowed Roll-out*, the neighboring regions have slower expansion than the reference, and the charging capacity roll-out pathway is reduced by 30%. These two scenarios differ again by first assuming the reference expansion pathway and in the second, the accelerated expansion with a charging capacity increased by 30% to the reference.

Table 4.14: Scenarios for analysing RQ2. The cross indicates the assumed expansion pathway for the regions in each scenario.

Scenario name (RQ2)	Region name	Expansion pathway		
		-30%	Reference	+30%
Baseline Roll-out	Bizkaia		×	
	Gipuzkoa		×	
	Araba		×	
Central Acc. Roll-out	Bizkaia			×
	Gipuzkoa		×	
	Araba		×	
Neighbor Slowed Roll-out	Bizkaia		×	
	Gipuzkoa	×		
	Araba	×		
Central Acc. + Neighbor Slowed Roll-out	Bizkaia			×
	Gipuzkoa	×		
	Araba	×		

The reference expansion pathway is determined based on a model run, during which the constraint of 100% decarbonized passenger car fleet is imposed. The resulting total charging capacity values for the investment periods between 2020 and 2050 are included as hard constraints for the charging capacity expansion. Figure 4.9 displays the reference values by region.

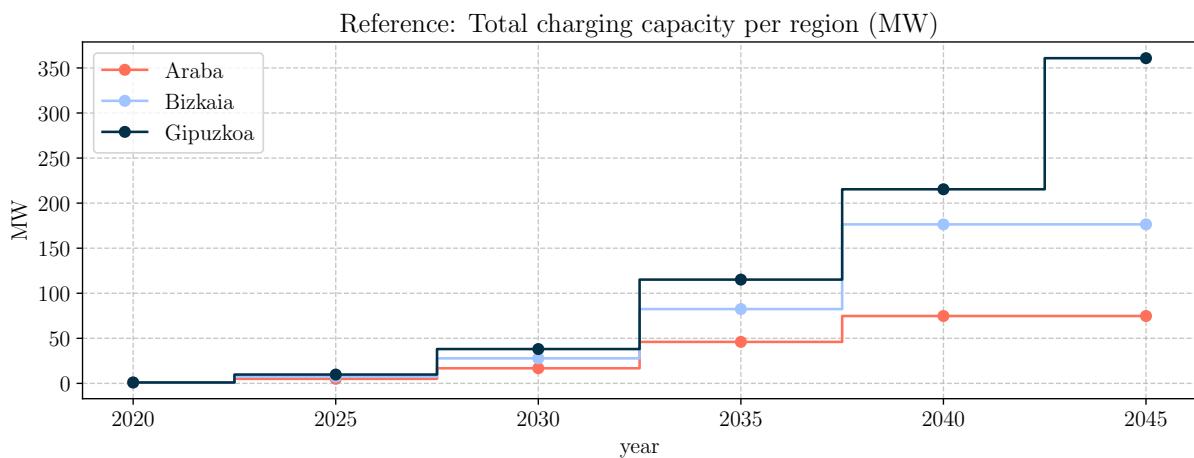


Figure 4.9: Reference expansion pathway for scenario design of different charging capacity build-up scenarios.

4.2.3 Income-class dependent impact of spatial densification of public charging infrastructure

Figure 4.10 displays two snapshots of the development of the share of electrification in the passenger car fleet by consumer group: years 2030 and 2040. $n^{\text{points per site}}$ indicates how many charging points are installed in newly built charging stations as of 2020, implying the degree of

spatial densification of the public charging infrastructure network. The development of technology turnover is different among the consumer groups. In 2030, the electrification in the vehicle fleet belonging to the *Very high income* and *High income* consumer groups is significantly higher, at the level of around 48.9-65.1%, than that of the vehicle fleet belonging to the other consumer groups. By 2040, the share of BEVs rises in all consumer groups to the level of 9.6-69.0%. It is important to note here that in absolute numbers, the BEVs in the fleet owned by the consumer group *High income* do not exceed the *Very high income* consumer group.

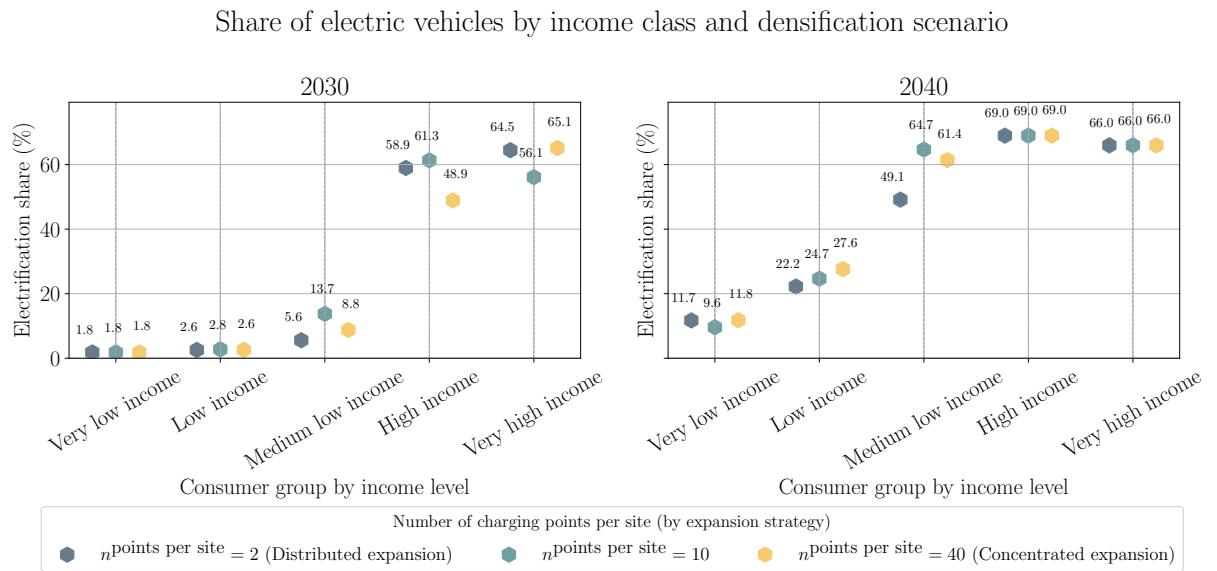


Figure 4.10: Share of battery-electric vehicles in the passenger car fleet in 2030 and 2040 in consumer groups of different income levels for roll-out strategies of public charging infrastructure defined via the number of charging points per site ($n^{\text{points per site}}$).

The relative order of the number of BEVs in the fleet by consumer groups is not changed by the different roll-out strategies. However, significant differences in the adoption are visible between the different densification strategies: While the *Concentrated expansion* leads to a gap of 6.2% between the electrification share of the *Very high income* consumer group and the *High income* consumer group, this gap is lower in the scenario *Distributed expansion*. The electrification of the *Medium low income* group is accelerated in the more balanced scenario of ten points per site. Income groups *Very low income* and *Low income* are not significantly affected by 2030. By 2040, a significant gap of 5.4% between the *Distributed* and *Concentrated* expansion scenario arises. Overall, there is no visible correlation to be deduced between the number of points per site and the development of the electrification share in the fleets owned by the consumer groups of different income levels. Figure 4.11 displays differences in the development of the gap in the share of electrification between the *Distributed* and *Concentrated* scenarios. It shows that the highest overall impacts are on *High income* and *Medium low income*. By the end of the horizon, differences converge towards 0.0%, indicating that the $n^{\text{points per site}}$ parameter affects the speed of electrification but is not decisive for the resulting size of the decarbonized passenger car fleet.

Differences in Electrification Share by Income Class between scenarios on spatial densification
 [Distributed Expansion (%) - Concentrated Expansion (%)]

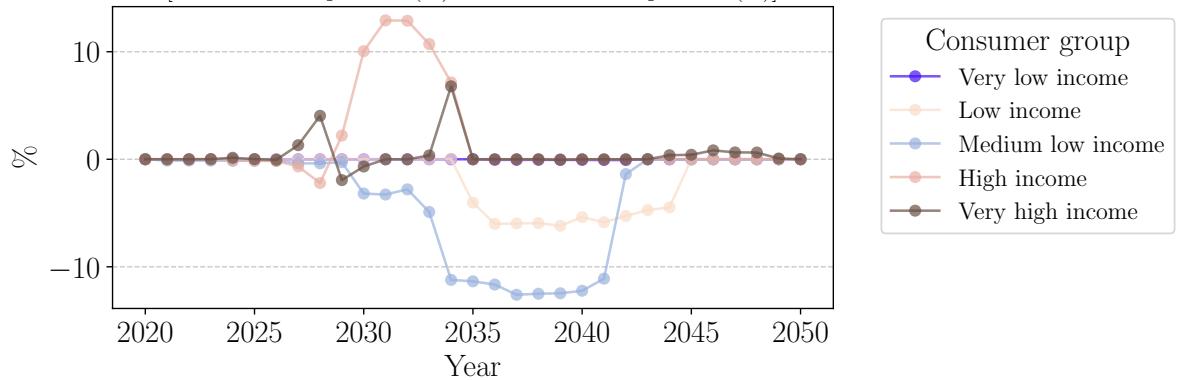


Figure 4.11: Maximum differences in the electrification share between scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 2$ (*Distributed expansion*) and $n^{\text{points per site}} = 40$ (*Concentrated expansion*) by consumer groups over time.

To gain a better understanding of the variation in the electrification across consumer groups, we take a look at the three key output parameters that describe the charging infrastructure expansion decisions and their utilization by scenario. Figure 4.14 displays expanded charging infrastructure capacities together with the development of the utilization rates of public infrastructure for all scenarios. Figure 4.12 shows how the average detour time of public charging infrastructure is reduced by these capacity expansions. Figure 4.13 illustrates the charger utilization by income class, showing how much energy is charged by charger type and income class in years 2030, 2040, and 2050.

The following observations are the most relevant here:

- With an increase of the value for the parameter $n^{\text{points per site}}$, higher investments in public charging infrastructure are made earlier. In the scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 10$, public charging infrastructure capacity expands more rapidly in the investment periods 2030-2040 compared to the scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 2$ (*Distributed expansion*). In the scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 40$ (*Concentrated expansion*), the capacity of the public charging network in 2035 equals that of the 2040 level under lower values of the $n^{\text{points per site}}$ parameter (see Figure 4.14). In scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 2$ (*Distributed expansion*), substantial increases in the public charging infrastructure network occur during later years, 2040 and 2045. In all scenarios, these investment periods of substantial expansion coincide with decreases in detouring times for public charging infrastructure (see Figure 4.12).
- The accelerated expansion in the scenario $n^{\text{points per site}} = 10$, the increased scenarios in 2030 coincide with the sharp increase in adoption in the consumer group *Medium low income* (as displayed in Figure 4.10), indicating that the increased charging capacities particularly accelerate the electrification of the passenger car fleet owned by consumers of medium level income.

- Home and work charging capacities are consistent across all scenarios. While work charging is expanded early on to its maximum possible capacity values, home charging capacities are not further expanded, though they are used consistently by the consumer groups *Very high income* and *High income* as shown in Figure 4.13.
- The utilization rates of public charging infrastructure diverge substantially between the slow and fast charging types. For both charger types, maximum utilization — indicated by the red dashed line in graphs of the right column in Figure 4.14 — is not reached. In particular, the utilization rate of fast charging is very low (maxima are at 6-11%), indicating substantial investments in overcapacities.
- While, in all scenarios, the absolute numbers of BEVs and total energy consumption are similar by 2050, installed charging capacities and their utilization by income groups are different. Looking at the right column in Figure 4.13, there is a significant difference between the charged energy by income class and type between the scenario of $n^{\text{points per site}} = 2$ and the other two with charging sites of higher concentration. Particularly, there is a significant difference in the usage of fast charging by the consumer groups *Very low income* and *Low income*⁴. In the *Distributed expansion* scenario, higher amounts of public charging are available and used, while, in the *Very low income* group, fast charging is the dominating charging technology, leading to higher total utilization of fast charging.

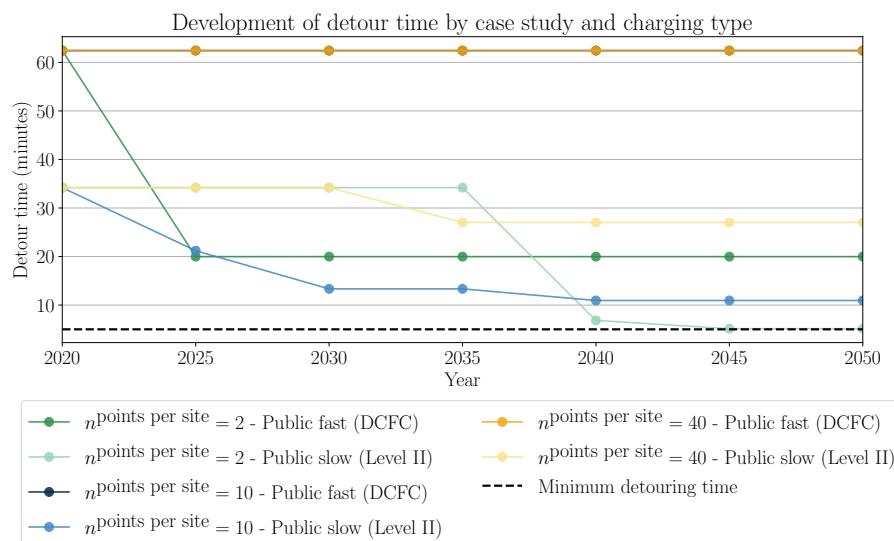


Figure 4.12: Development of average detouring times for public fast and slow charging in Basque Country for different scenarios of spatial densification.

⁴We want to emphasize here for the interpretation of the results that we do not consider the different *pricing* of charging types here.

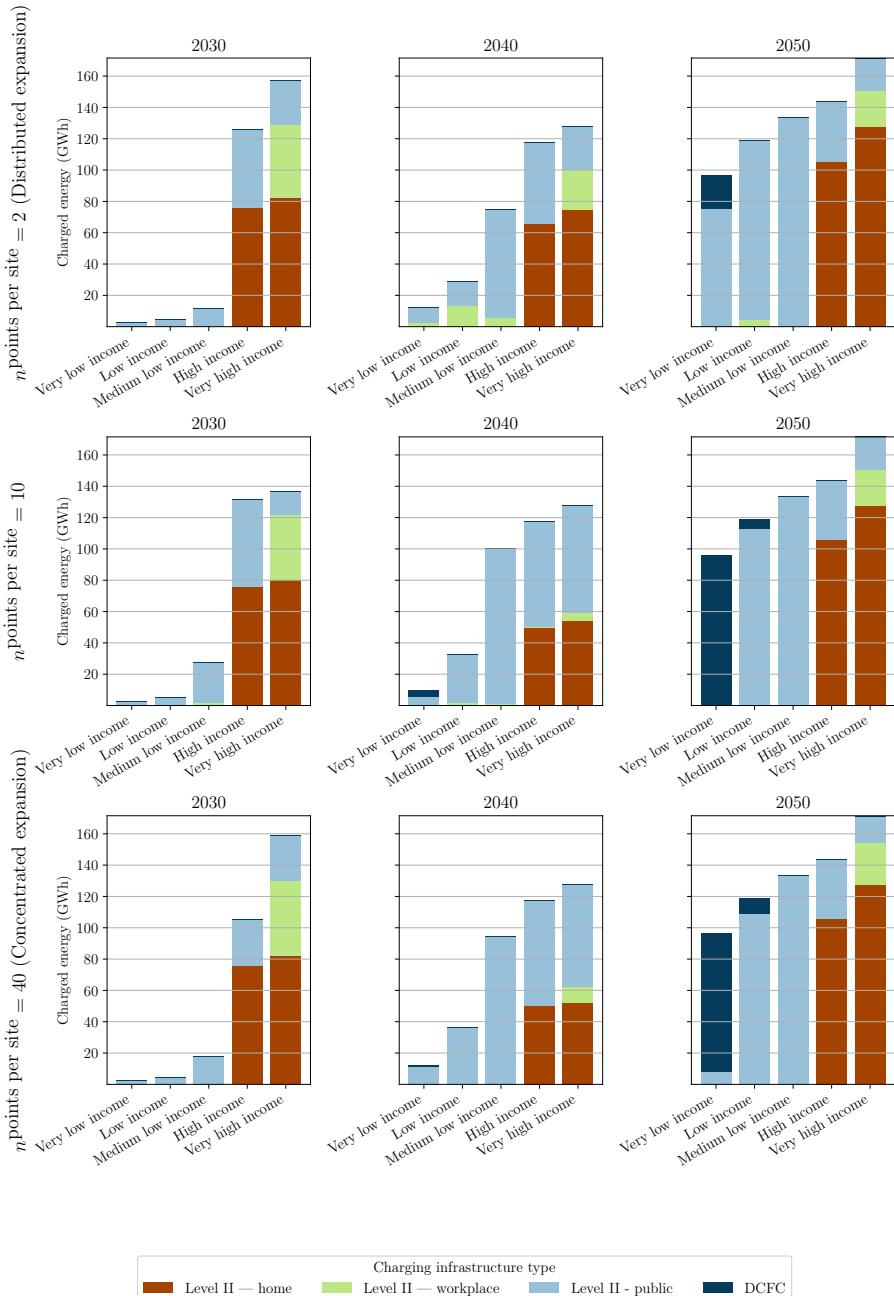


Figure 4.13: Charged energy in 2030, 2040 and 2050 at different infrastructures

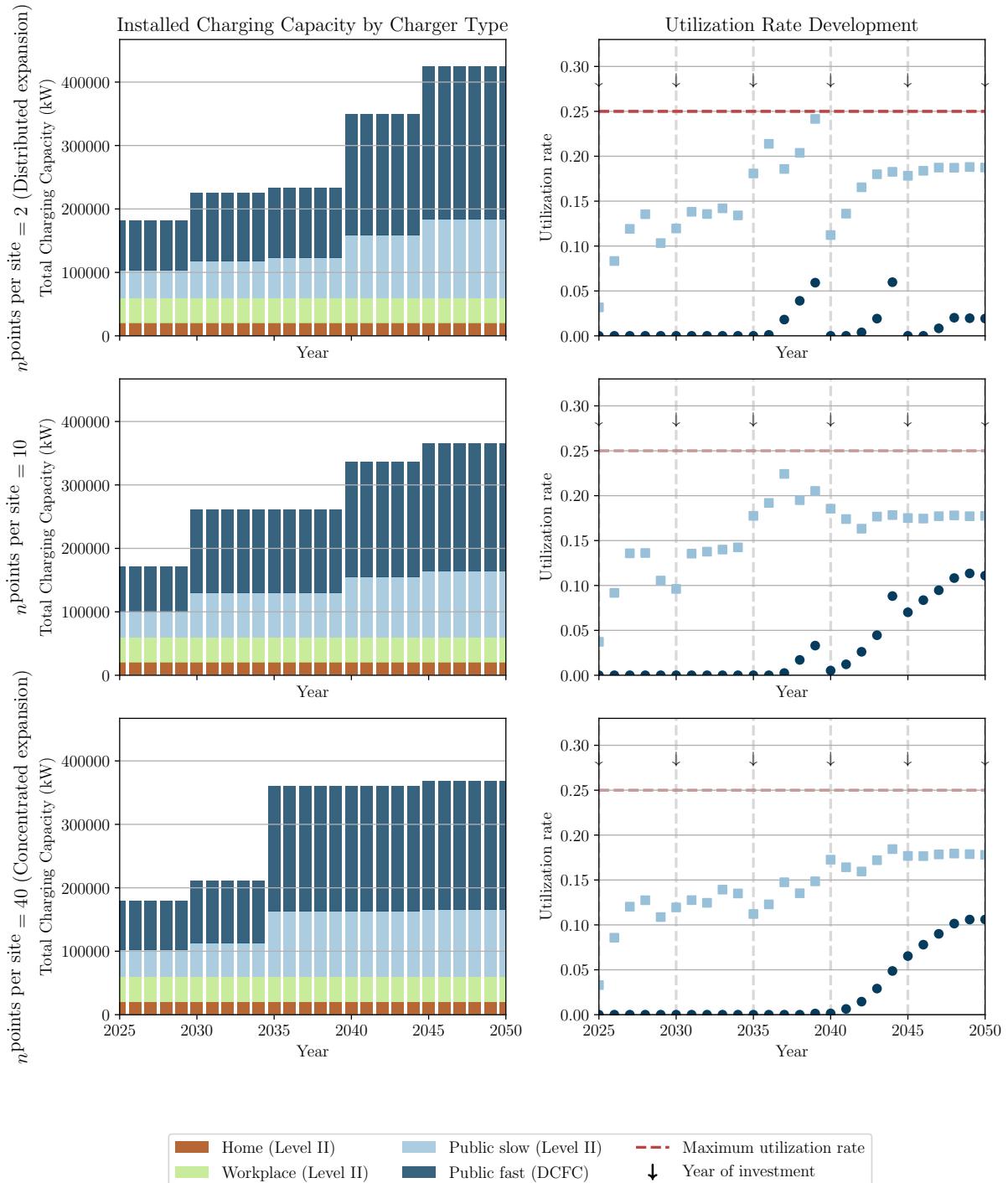


Figure 4.14: Charging infrastructure expansion for Basque Country region in the scenario of *Concentrated expansion* ($n^{\text{points per site}} = 40$).

4.2.4 Spill-over effect of charging infrastructure planning for destination charging

Figure 4.15 displays the development of the adoption of BEVs by years 2030 and 2040. In particular, this is shown for the NUTS-3 regions Bizkaia, Araba, and Gipuzkoa, under the different scenarios in the speed of charging infrastructure expansion. In the *Baseline Roll-out* case, in 2030, the range of the electrification rate varies by region within 2.6-6.0%. By 2040, the region-dependent range becomes wider, 35.5-42.8%, with Araba having the highest rate of electrification and Bizkaia the lowest. With increased charging capacities built in Bizkaia (case *Central Acc. Roll-out*), the electrification share in Bizkaia increases slightly (0.9 % by 2030 and 3.3% by 2040), while the electrification rates of Araba and Gipuzkoa are also positively affected (increase by 0.6-1.3%). When the charging infrastructure capacity in Araba and Gipuzkoa (scenarios *Neighbor Slowed Roll-out* and *Central Acc. + Neighbor Slowed Roll-out*) are reduced, the values for the share of electrification in Araba and Gipuzkoa in 2040 are significantly lower than in *Baseline Roll-out*. Figure 4.16 displays the temporal development of the difference in electric vehicle numbers between the *Central Acc. Roll-out* and the *Baseline Roll-out*. A peak in the positive absolute differences occurs in 2045. The maximum relative difference is in 2044 and is 2.1% for Araba and 1.1% for Gipuzkoa. For some time periods, we observe negative spillover. In particular, there is a distinctive decrease in the BEV numbers in 2049.

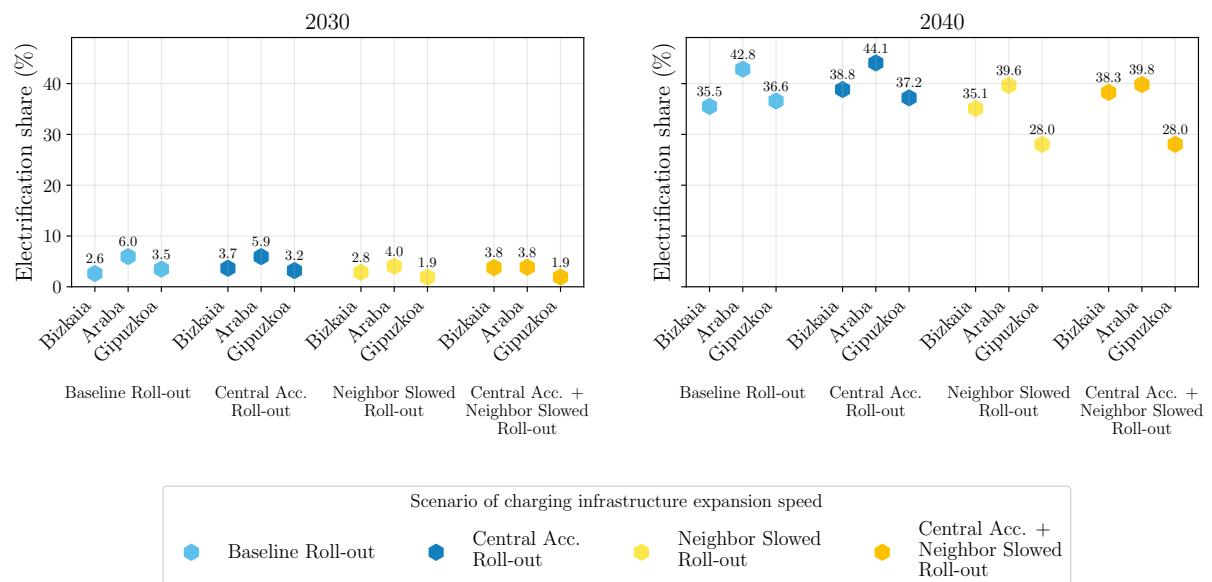


Figure 4.15: Share of electrification of the passenger car fleet in the regions Bizkaia, Araba, and Gipuzkoa under different scenarios referring to the speed of charging infrastructure roll-out, for years 2030 and 2040.

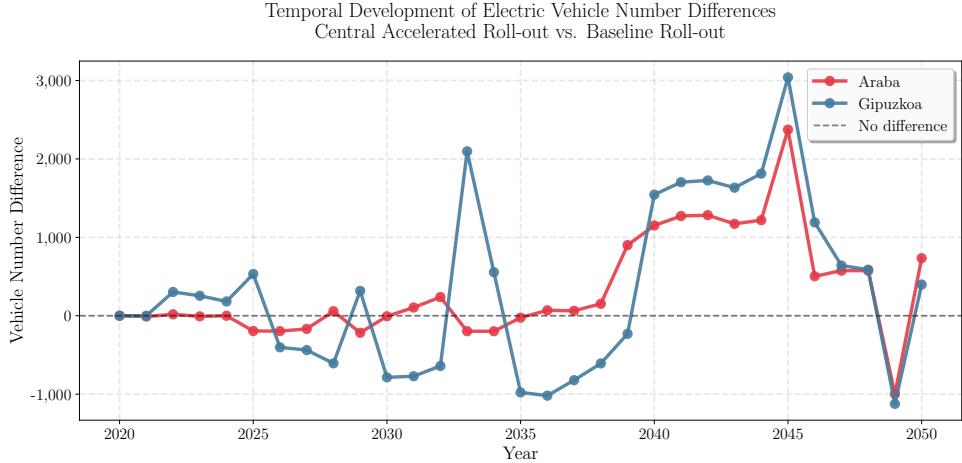


Figure 4.16: Temporal development of the difference of adopted battery electric vehicles numbers in Araba and Gipuzkoa between the *Basic Roll-out* and *Central Acc. Roll-out*.

With higher expansion in Bizkaia in *Central Acc. + Neighbor Slowed Roll-out*, the electrification share in Bizkaia is increased by 2.1% by 2040. The BEV adoption shares in Araba and Gipuzkoa are here impacted significantly less, i.e., than in the reference capacity expansion. In 2030, a slight negative impact is observed.

Figure 4.17 gives an insight into the effect of increased charging capacity in Bizkaia on the electrification of the commuting traffic. The plots display the absolute numbers of BEVs used for commuting trips originating in Araba or Gipuzkoa and traveling to Bizkaia. We zoom in on three years: 2030, 2040, and 2050. The text in blue indicates the relative differences to the *Baseline Roll-out* scenario. The gray text indicates the relative difference to *Neighbor Slowed Roll-out*. The following four key observations are made here:

- The slowed roll-out in Araba and Gipuzkoa has little impact on the BEV adoption in the commuting fleet. Some negative impact is observed during 2040-2050 which is partly compensated with increased capacities in Bizkaia.
- In Araba, the electrification of the commuting fleet is mainly positively accelerated during the years 2030 and 2040 by the increased charging infrastructure deployment in Bizkaia. By 2050, this positive impact is limited to +0.6%.
- In Gipuzkoa, the impact of increased infrastructure expansion in Bizkaia remains not significant.
- In the case of reduction of charging infrastructure in Araba and Gipuzkoa, the increased charging infrastructure in Bizkaia does not fully compensate for the reduced capacities.

In Figure 4.18, we examine the allocation of charging processes for commuting trips between the origin and destination regions. We generally observe a high share of destination charging

across all cases, years, and both regions. These shares increase under the accelerated rollout in Bizkaia. One exception is the development in Gipuzkoa between 2030 and 2040, during which there is a 43% increase in charging processes at the origin (between the Central Acc. Roll-out and Baseline Roll-out scenarios).

Figure 4.19 displays utilization rates for the public charging infrastructure in the Baseline Roll-out across all three regions. Here again, utilization rates of public slow charging are consistently higher than those of public fast charging. Overall, utilization rates are significantly higher when spatial density is not considered.

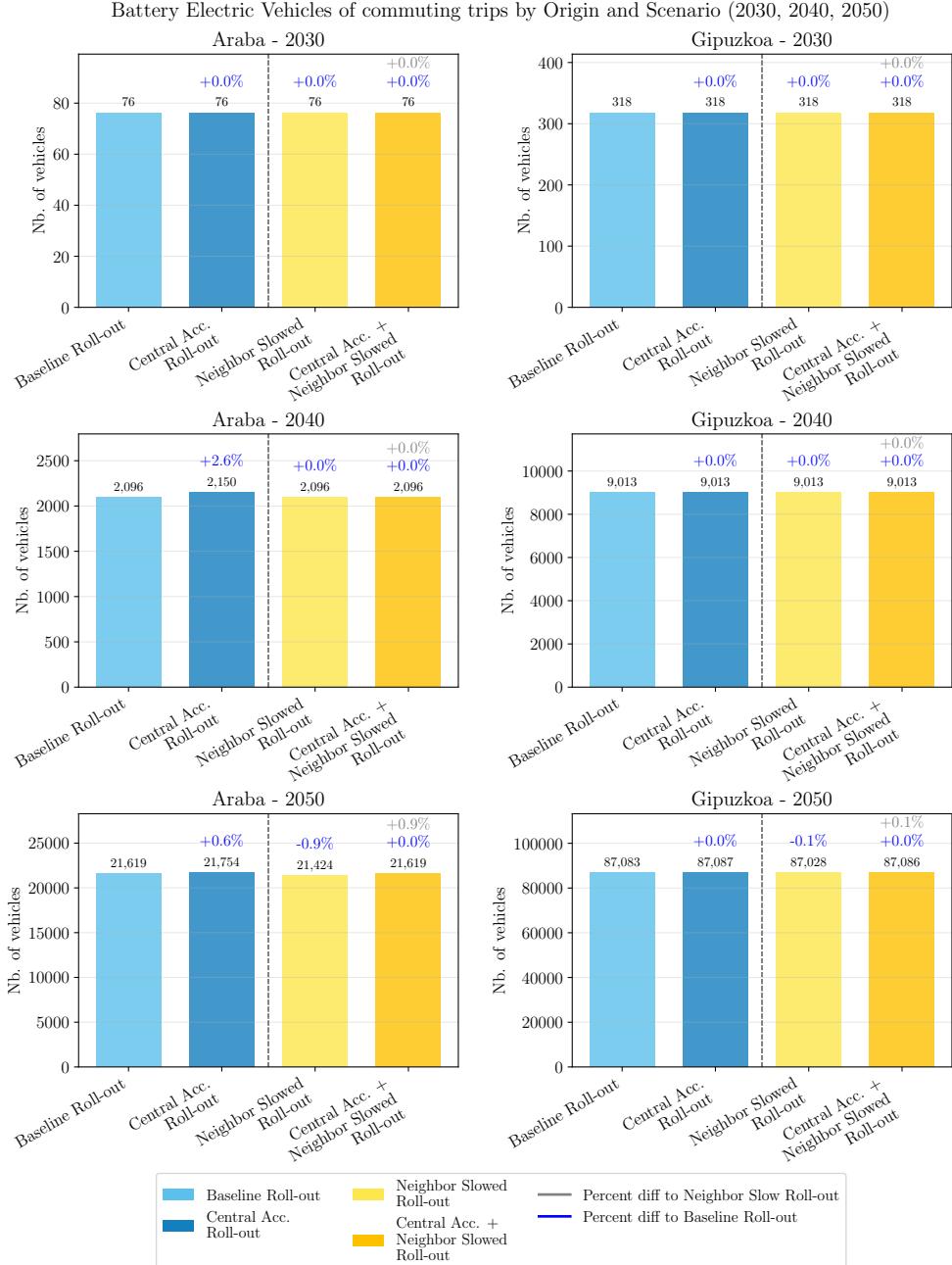


Figure 4.17: Numbers of BEVs in the commuting trips between Araba or Gipuzkoa and Bizkaia under different scenarios of charging infrastructure roll-out scenarios for years 2030, 2040 and 2050.

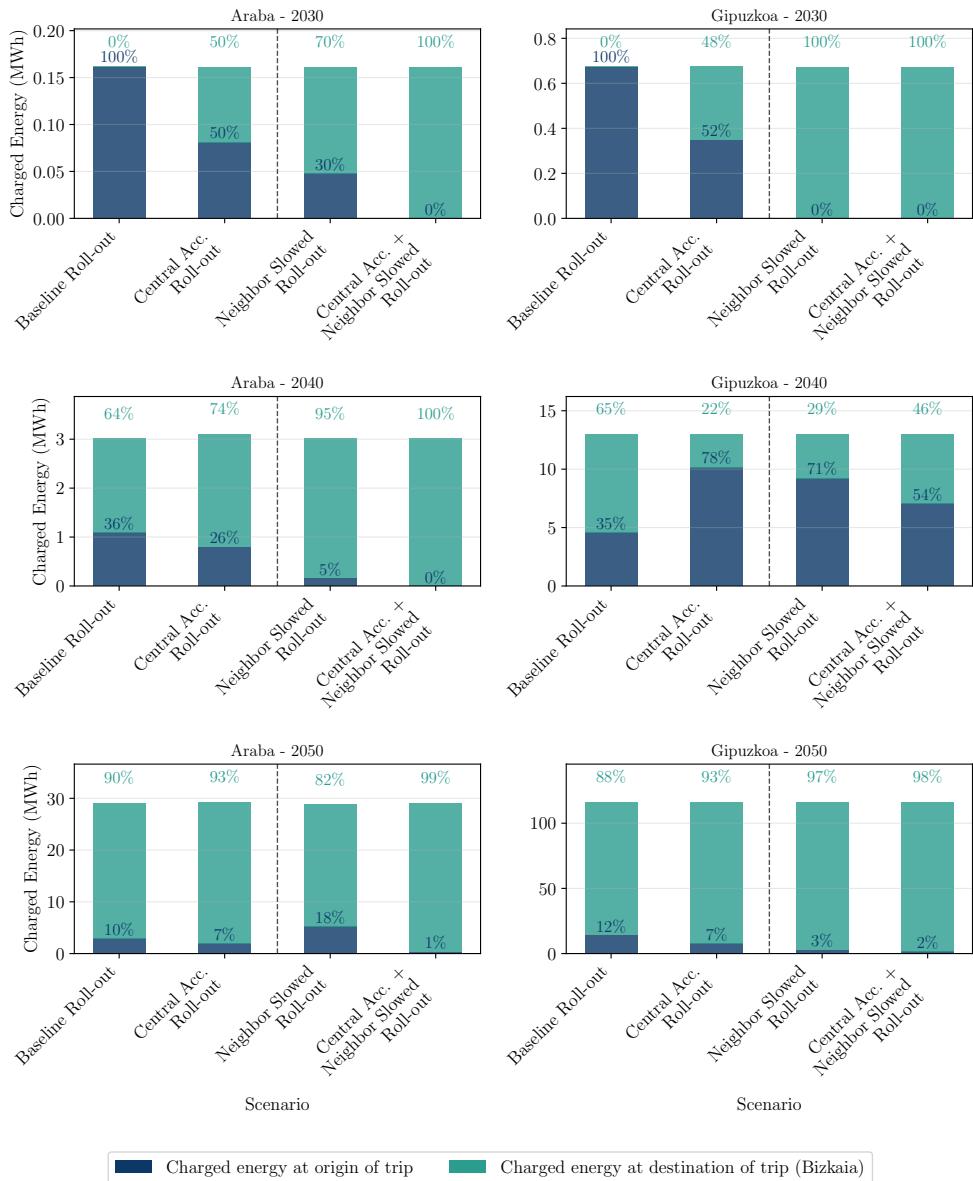


Figure 4.18: Snapshots for 2030, 2040 and 2050: Allocation of charging processes between origin and destination of commuting trips originating in Araba or Gipuzkoa and going to Bizkaia with text indicating relative percentages of charging processes.

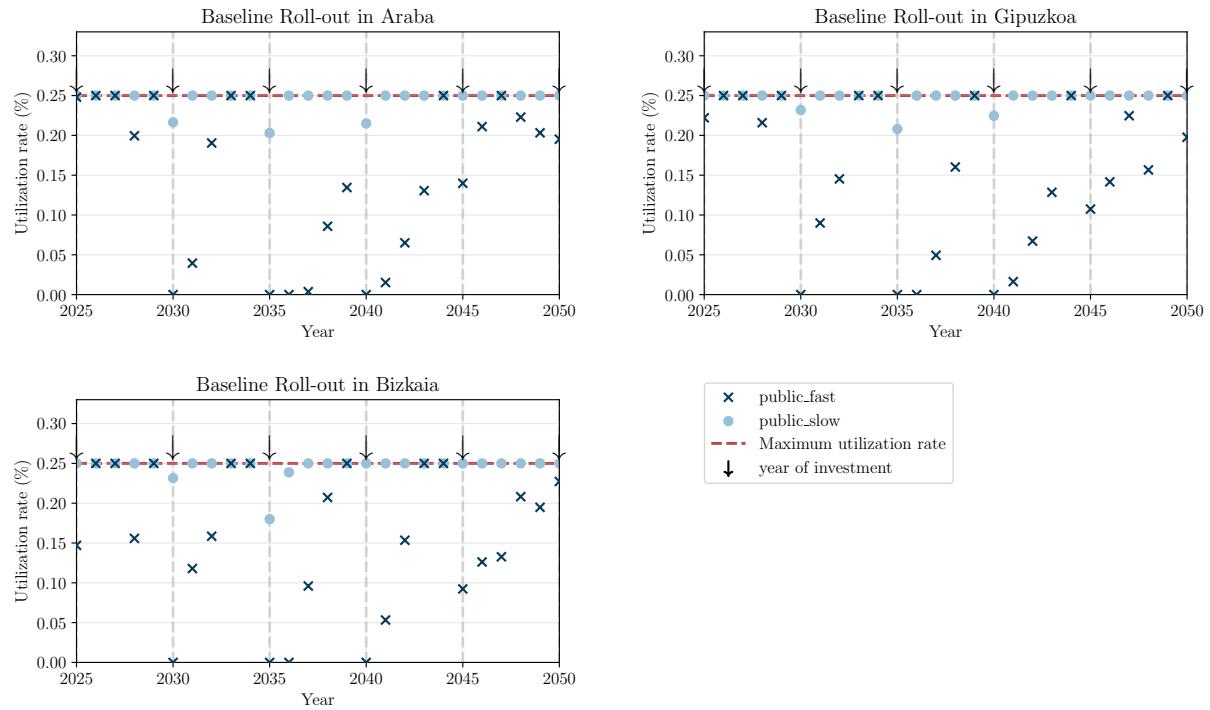


Figure 4.19: Development of utilization rates for public charging infrastructure network in Bizkaia, Araba and Gipuzkoa.

4.3 Charging infrastructure for long-haul battery-electric trucks among the Scandinavian-Mediterranean corridor in the TEN-T (RQ3)

4.3.1 Case study: Road freight along Scandinavian-Mediterranean corridor

4.3.2 Cost-optimal adoption of battery-electric trucks and charging activity

4.3.3 Role of modal shift towards rail freight

4.4 Hourly charging demand profiles of the commercial fleet in Austria in 2040 (RQ4)

4.4.1 Case study: Austria's commercial fleet at Federal State level

The representation of the commercial fleet is focused on three fleet types: LDT, HDT, and buses. These are chosen based on their substantial fleet size and transport activity. Their electrification is therefore expected to play a significant role in the electricity system. Based on the mobility patterns of the different fleet types and expected charging strategies, future charging profiles are generated together with plug-in times and installed charging power. The charging profiles are generated for an average week in 2040, i.e. representing seven days in hourly resolution. The theoretical framework presented in Section ?? is the starting point for the estimation of future charging profiles. In the geographic aggregation of charging profiles, Austria is represented by nine nodes ($|\mathcal{N}_1| = 9$) mirroring the nine federal states of Austria.

Light-duty trucks The LDT fleet classified as vehicles that have a maximum total weight of 3.5 tons [179]. The Austrian vehicle fleet of this type amounted to a size of around 510,000 vehicles by the end of 2023 and is expected to be 535,000 by 2040 in decarbonization scenarios by Angelini et al. [180]. According to [181], the average daily range of a light-duty vehicle operated in Germany is 70km on average. We adopted this value for Austria. Further assumptions for the vehicle are summarized in Table 4.15. Based on this, we assume the routes of vehicles of this fleet type to only within one Federal State and, therefore, the charging profile of the LDT fleet is modeled based on the operational pattern of *local transport*.

The core assumptions for the modeling of a charging profile of light-duty vehicles are the following:

- **Charging strategy:** Vehicles are charged during nighttime and weekends. Recharging is done at depots. During weekends, the vehicles have a substantially higher flexibility in the

recharging processes. The charging process is performed at the lowest possible power level and is evenly distributed during the plug-in period. Departure times are evenly distributed between 7 am and 9 am, and arrival times are between 16 pm and 18 pm.

- **Geographic scaling:** The expected amount of LDT is distributed proportionally to the population size.
- **Sizing of charging infrastructure:** The aggregated charging infrastructure for all depots within a federal state region is sized based on assuming that the charging power of 11kW and charging the vehicle every sixth night is sufficient.

Heavy-duty truck The HDT has a total weight greater than 3.5 tons. Technical assumptions for this fleet are summarized in Table 4.16. Origin-destination flow data on the European level is used here to capture charging demand from national as well as transit transport. The ETISplus dataset provides estimations of the annual tons transported by trucks in the year 2030 [182]. We apply the charging profile generation for *interregional transport* here under the following considerations:

- **Charging strategy:** For this we consider that the European regulation dictates a maximum driving shift of 4.5 hours. HDTs are charged at depots and highway service areas [183]. Further, in Austria, a regulation prohibits driving between 10 pm and 5 am for multiple transport segments [184]. During Saturdays and Sundays, the operation of heavy-duty transport is also restricted. For trips that take longer than 4.5 hours, the 45-minute break takes place at a highway service area, and during this time, the HDT is connected to a megawatt charging station and is fully charging. The remaining energy demand is covered at the origin and the destination depots during nighttime. For trips shorter than 4.5 hours, charging is fully compensated at depots. Recharging happens also at depots during the day if the driving range is not sufficient to be covered with one charged battery. During trips that take multiple days, charging demand is also compensated at service areas during nighttime.
- **Sizing of charging infrastructure:** Charging in depots is assumed to be conducted at 100kW of peak power and megawatt charging is available at charging stations. As a reference point for the sizing of charging infrastructure, the goals for the installment of 5MW of grid connection at each charging station until 2035/2040 along the Austrian highway network by the highway infrastructure operator ASFINAG [185]⁵. This is assumed to be available for the electrification rate of a heavy-duty fleet of 30%. A relative factor to the charging demand is deducted for each region based on the amount of existing service areas and applied to all charging location demands within the respective region.
- **Flexibility in the fast-charging along highway service areas:** Due to the short time

⁵The exact number of 5MW was stated by a representative of ASFINAG in the course of a stakeholder interview.

Table 4.15: Parameter settings for modeling the charging demand of light-duty vehicles

Parameter	Value	Reference
Fleet size (Austria 2040)	535,000	[180]
Battery capacity	145 kWh	[186]
Specific energy consumption	27 kWh/100km	[180]
Daily range	70 km/day	[181]
Charging power at charging station depot	11 kW	[181]

frame of the break of 45 minutes and the used temporal resolution of the modeling being one hour, there is no flexibility given for highway charging processes. It may be foreseeable that the operational times and the timing of the break and, therefore, the charging process would be adapted to charge for lower expenses in the future. Therefore, to introduce some flexibility here, we created three distinct plug-in time frames of two hours each, which are allocated around noon.

Busses For the bus fleet, we consider the application case for public transport in both cities and rural regions. Similar to the modeling of light-duty vehicles, the routes of buses do not go through multiple regions. Table 4.17 comprises technical assumptions for an average bus in public transport.

The charging profiles for busses are estimated based on the following:

- **Charging strategy:** Most charging demand is covered during night time at the bus depot. If required, busses enter the depot for fast charging during daytime. The operation is assumed to be similar during each day of the week.
- **Geographic scaling:** City busses are considered for Austrian cities that surpass the population size of 100,000. For each city, the size of the bus fleet is scaled using the population size. The bus fleet in rural areas is sized using the total area of the rural region within a federal state.
- **Sizing of charging infrastructure:** During night time, each bus is connected to a 100kW charging station. The power connection of the depot is limited to two-thirds of the summed peak power of the charging stations which is sufficient to cover the charging demand during down times at night and is in line with the peak power achieved with coordinated and, therefore, cost-efficient charging [88].

4.4.1.1 Scenarios and case studies

In the application to the Austrian electricity system in 2040, we explore two different dimensions: On the one side, the variation in the share of electrification of the commercial fleet in 2040, and,

Table 4.16: Parameter settings for modeling of charging profile of heavy-duty vehicles

Parameter	Value	Reference
Battery capacity	350 kWh	[93]
Specific energy consumption	1.3 kWh/km	[187]
Average load	10.63 tons	[187]
Average driving speed	50 km/h	[188]
Peak charging power at highway/depot charging station (fast charging during daytime)	1000 kW	
Peak charging power at highway/depot charging station (slow charging during nighttime)	100 kW	

Table 4.17: Parameter settings for the modeling of charging profile by busses in the application in the city and rural areas

Parameter	Value	Reference
Fleet size (Austria 2040)	12,900	extrapolated based on [189], [190]
Battery capacity	350 kWh	[84]
Specific energy consumption	1.3 kWh/km	[187]
Daily range - city	236 km	[189]
Daily range - rural	138 km	[190]
Peak charging power at depot charging station (fast charging during daytime)	1000 kW	
Peak charging power at depot charging station (slow charging during nighttime)	100 kW	

Table 4.18: Electrification scenarios considered in the analysis

Scenario	Share of electrification in fleet		
	Light-duty vehicles	Heavy-duty vehicles	Busses
<i>LOW</i>	100%	30%	100%
<i>MEDIUM</i>	100%	50%	100%
<i>HIGH</i>	100%	100%	100%

on the other side, the role of the commercial BEV fleet in the electricity market. Table 4.18 displays the shares of electrification for the three considered electrification scenarios, *LOW*, *MEDIUM*, and *HIGH*. The three case studies for market participation describe:

4.4.1.2 Electricity market 2040

All 13 countries (Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Switzerland, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Italy, and France) within the optimized area are expected to fulfill the European national energy and climate plans [191] by 2030 and continue to compensate for the rising electricity demand by expanding generation capacities in 2040. According to Austria's national energy and climate plans, RESE compensates for 100% of the yearly electricity demand. The used *National Trends* dataset, provided by the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity is based on the fulfillment of these plans [192]. It includes a power plant fleet with RESE, fossil fuel-fired power plants (coal, oil, lignite, and combined-cycle gas turbines, and other types of thermal power plants that do not emit CO₂ (nuclear, biogas, biomass, and fuel cells).

- **Baseline:** The charging demand of the commercial BEV fleet is inflexible.
- **Dispatch:** The flexibility of the charging of the commercial BEV fleet is optimized in the dispatch.
- **Redispatch:** The flexibility of the commercial BEV fleet charging is utilized in redispatch measures.

4.4.2 Spatio-temporal demand distribution

Table 4.19 summarizes the total values for annual load estimates for the commercialBEV fleet under different electrification scenarios in Austria for 2040. The annual charging demands are 7.4 TWh / 9.6 TWh / 15.2 TWh. This makes up for 8 % / 11 % / 16.9% of the estimated total electricity load in 2040. The highest charging load stems from the charging of heavy-duty trucks (HDT) which is mostly allocated to depot locations. In the electrification scenarios *MEDIUM* and *HIGH* which indicate a respective electrification rate of 50% and 100% of the HDT fleet, the fleet is the clear dominant demand segment with 5.6 TWh/ 11.2 TWh of annual charging demand.

Figure 4.20 displays peak power levels along the highway for the *HIGH* scenario. Positions of service areas along the Austrian highway network are shown together with the coloring indicating approximated peak power levels. The peak power level at a service area is deducted from the estimated accumulated load within the Federal state which is then equally distributed among all existing service areas. It is important to note here that this image is an estimation of the peak

power distribution aimed to illustrate geographical variations and an estimate for peak power levels at service areas in 2040. The figure indicates a wide range in required power levels at highway service areas, between 7 and 29 MW. The illustration suggests distinctly higher power levels at the service areas located in the Northeast than in the Western regions of Austria.

The accumulated demand profile for the charging of the commercial BEV fleet is visible in Figure 4.21 for the whole of Austria. The figure displays an average week of charging load. During daytime time, most charging at highway service areas by the HDT fleet around noon is conducted. The load peaks at night time around midnight due to accumulated night charging of the LDT fleet, city, and regional busses, and the HDT fleet. During weekend days, the charging demand is substantially lower than during work days as vehicle operation is mostly performed during workdays. Fleet operators of vehicles that are not operated during the weekend recharge the vehicle for the next operation between Friday night and Monday morning and have, therefore, also higher flexibility in the recharging process while still having similar charging infrastructure as used during a workday available.

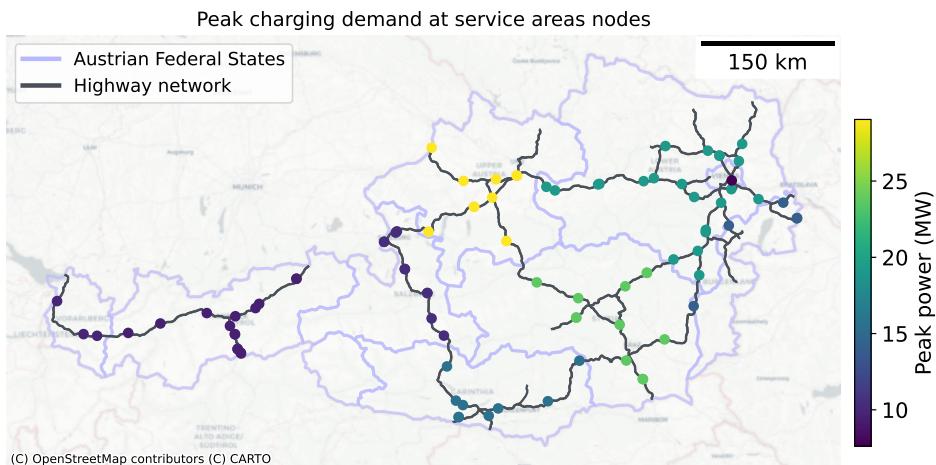


Figure 4.20: Approximation of charging peaks at Austrian resting areas for an 100% electrified commercial vehicle fleet (positions retrieved from [193])

Table 4.19: Annual charging demand of three different considered fleet types under different assumptions on electrification rate for the commercial vehicle fleet in Austria in 2040.

Scenario	Total	Total annual demand of fleet types 2040 (TWh)					
		LDV	Bus	HDV			Total
				Depot	Highway (day time)	Highway (night time)	
LOW	7.4	2.7	1.3	1.8		1.1	0.5 3.4
MEDIUM	9.6	2.7	1.3	3.1		1.7	0.8 5.6
HIGH	15.2	2.7	1.3	6.2		3.5	1.5 11.2

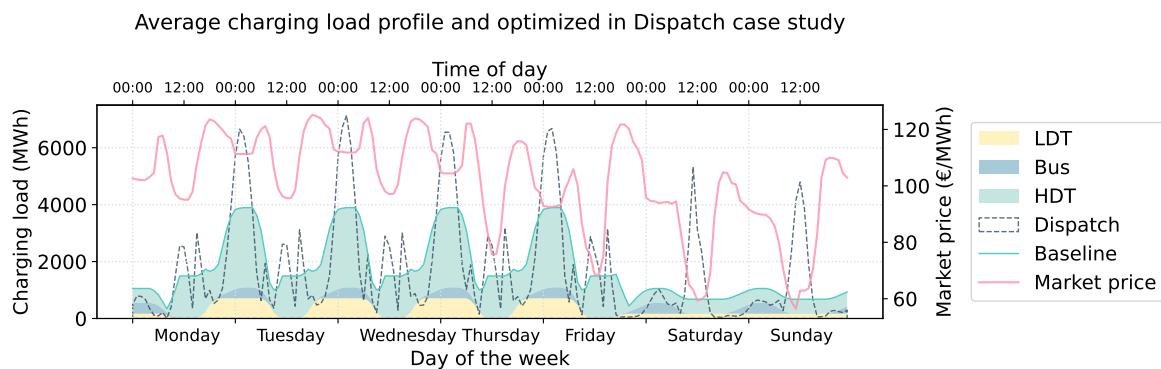


Figure 4.21: Aggregated charging demand profile of the commercialBEV fleet in the *Baseline* and *Dispatch* case study with the average day-ahead market price.

4.4.3 The value of charging flexibility to congestion management

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5 Discussion & Synthesis of Results

5.1 Contextualizing findings in existing literature

5.2 Synthesis

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6 Conclusion & Future Work

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