



A High Performance 50kW Inductive Charger for Electric Buses

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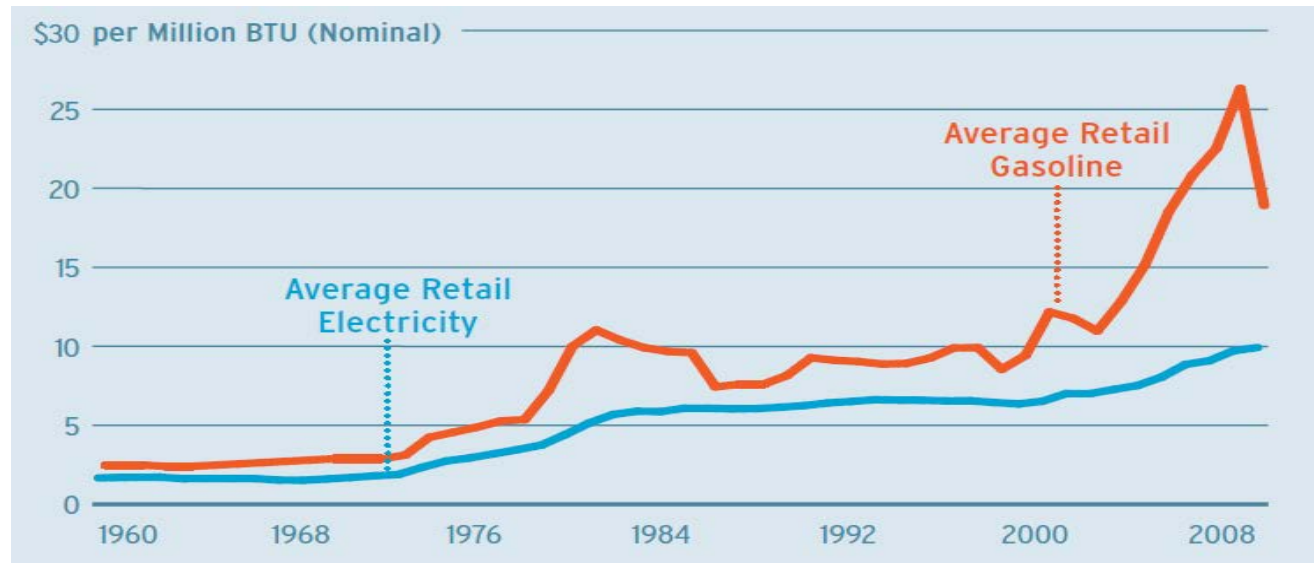
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Introduction – Why Electric Buses

➤ Economic Security

- Less volatile to oil price shocks



➤ Environmental Sustainability

- Pollutants
- Greenhouse gas emissions (saves 70-140 ton/bus year *)

* Calculation based on Argonne GREET model for diesel carbon consumption and California electric grid

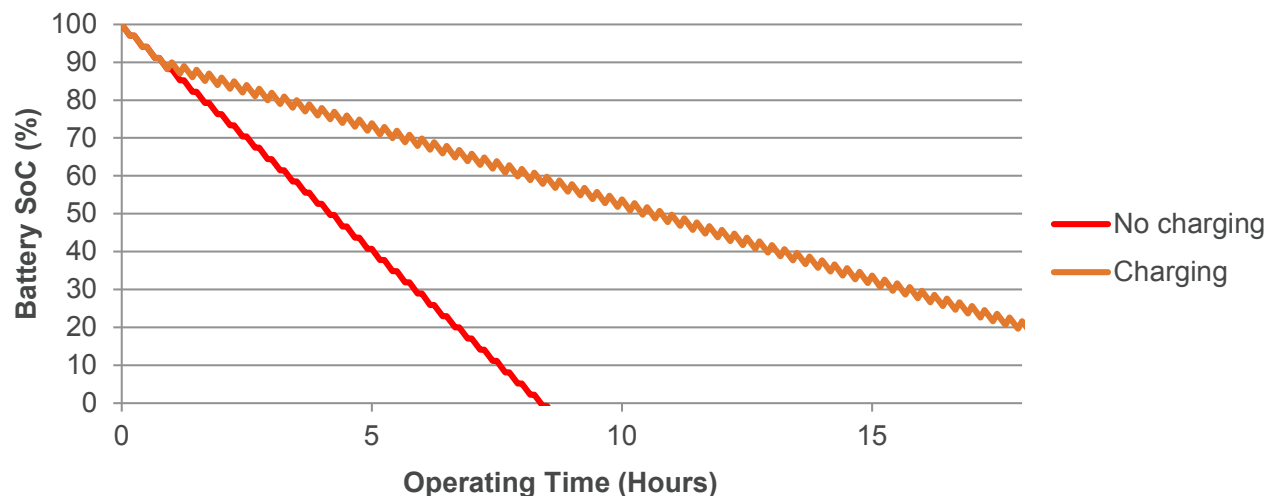
Introduction – Why En-Route Charging?

➤ Pure 40” electric buses

- Typically travel: 120-140 Miles/day
- Capacity: 300-700 kWh
- Storage dependent on hotel loads
- Longer routes: >1MWh
- Impossible to package (>15,000 lbs)
- Inefficient: moving batteries, not passengers

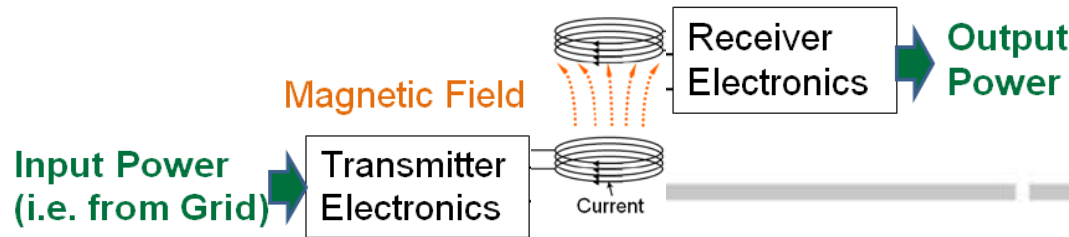
➤ En-route charging

- Reduces batteries up to 80%



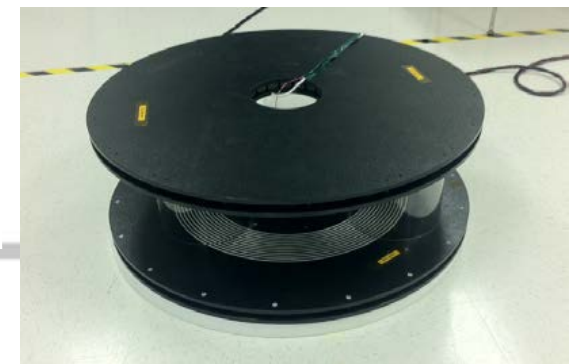
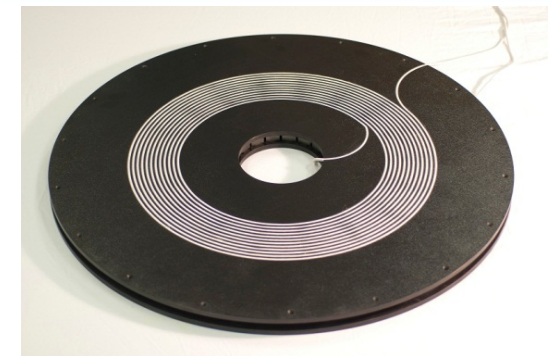
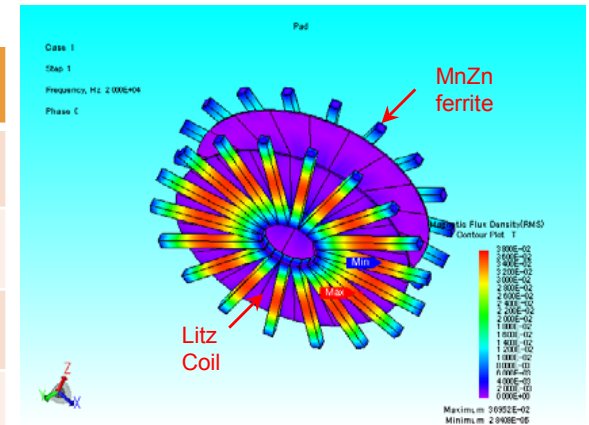
Introduction – Advantages of Inductive Charging

- Safely transfers power over surface road materials, snow, air gap
- Automatic charging with no user input required
- Ideal for static en-route charging



Specification of 5kW System

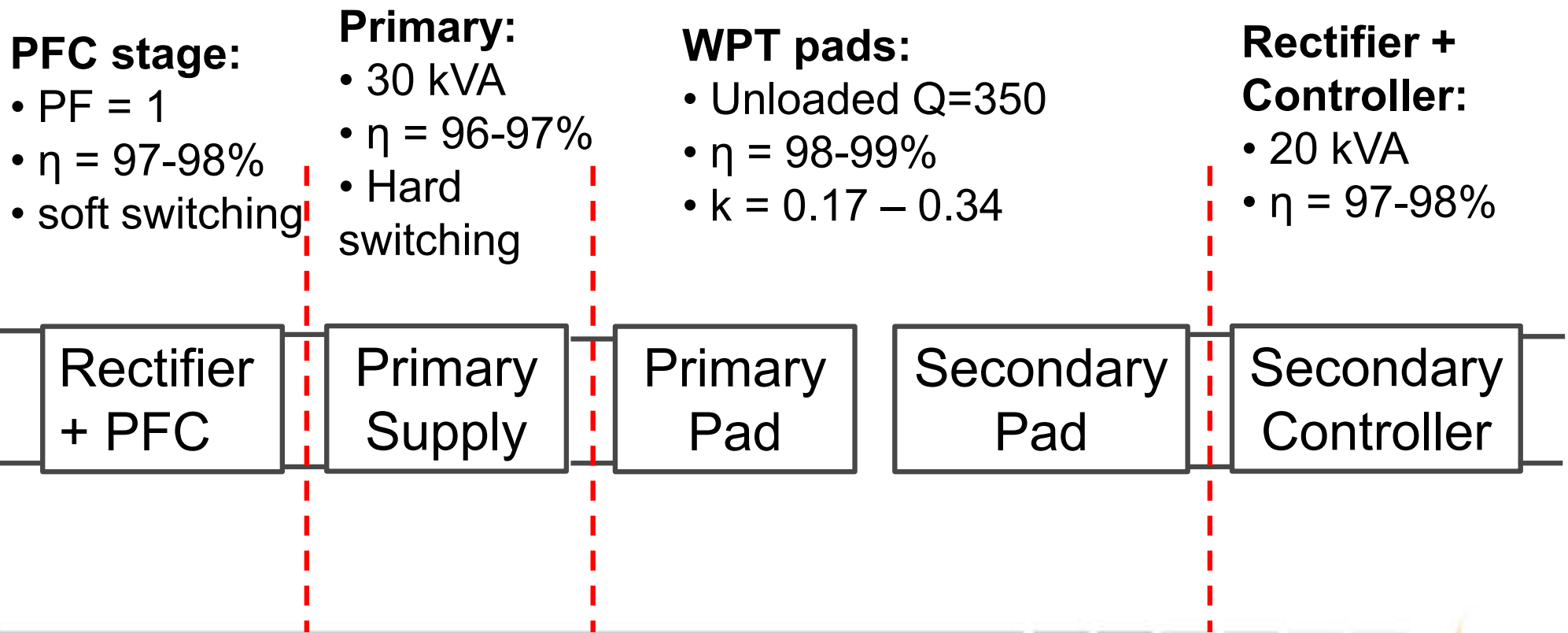
Parameters	Value	Notes
Power Level	5kW	
Frequency	20kHz	
Air gap	6 – 10.5 in	Magnetic gap
Efficiency	> 90%	> 98% magnetic transfer
Voltage	300VDC	Output
Pad dimension	32-in diameter	
Pad weight	~ 45 lbs	
Misalignment	8 in @ 6 in gap	With maintained efficiency (conical shape)
EMF exposure	ICNIRP	Meets latest ICNIRP standards



Wu, H.H., et al., *A High Efficiency 5 kW Inductive Charger for EVs Using Dual Side Control*. IEEE Transactions on Industrial Informatics, 2012. 8(3): p. 585-595.

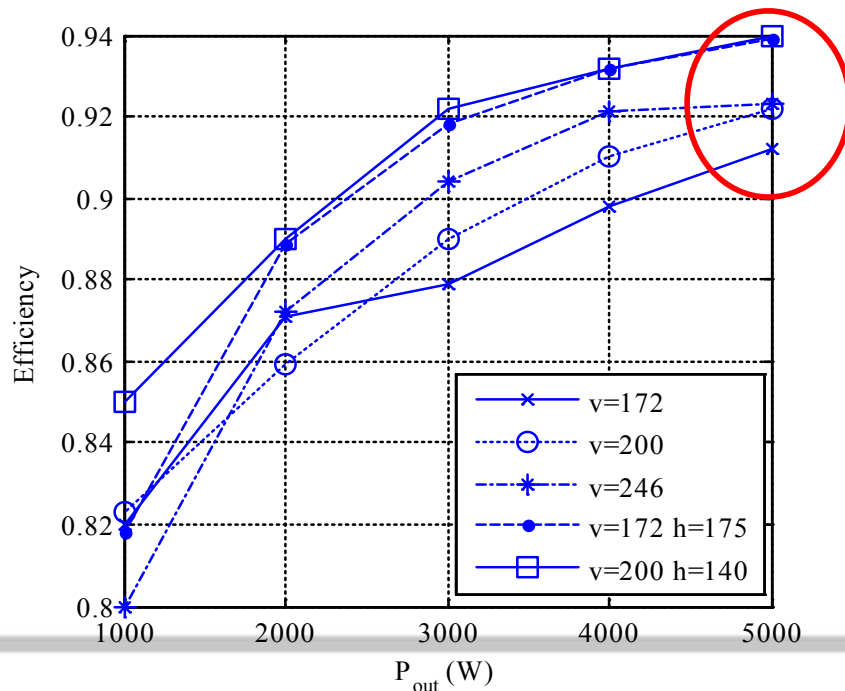
Efficiency Breakdown

- 5kW 10" @ > 90% transfer efficiency

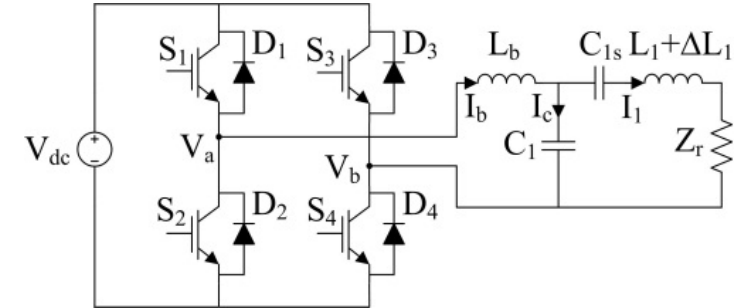


Efficiency Measurements

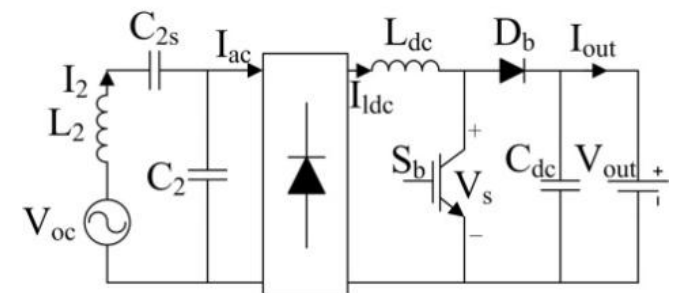
- High efficiency at rated load
- Can achieve >90% with:
 - 98% PFC circuit [1]



[1] F. Musavi, W. Eberle and W. G. Dunford, "A High-Performance Single-Phase Bridgeless Interleaved PFC Converter for Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle Battery Chargers," IEEE Transactions on Industry Applications, vol. 47, no. 4, pp. 1833-1843, 2011



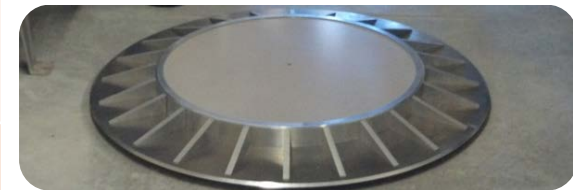
Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
V_{dc}	400V	C_{1s}	663nF
X_1	9.21Ω	L_1	177-188uH
$I_{1 \max}$	39A	$L_{1 \text{ short}}$	161-172uH
L_b	73.3uH	Switch	IRG7PH42UPBF
C_1	885nF	Diode	RHRG75120
ω	$1.257 \times 10^5 \text{ rad/s}$		



Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
V_{out}	300V	L_{dc}	550uH
X_2	10.6 Ω	I_{out}	0-17A
C_2	745nF	Diode (D_b)	IDT16S60C
L_2	177-188uH	Switch	IRG7PH42UPBF
C_{2s}	666nF	Diode (Rect.)	RHRG75120

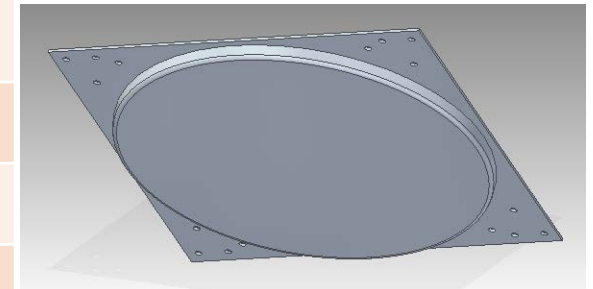
Specification of 25kW System

Parameters	Value	Notes
Power Level	25kW	Pad sized for 50kW
Frequency	20kHz	
Air gap	6-6.5 in	Physical air gap
Efficiency	> 90%	DC-DC efficiency (> 94% peak)
Voltage	300-400VDC	Output
Pad dimension	56" O.D.	32" of magnetic diameter
Pad weight	160 lbs	
Misalignment	6" @ 6" gap	With maintained efficiency
EMF exposure	ICNIRP	Meets latest ICNIRP standards



Specification of 50kW System

Parameters	Value	Notes
Power Level	50kW	
Frequency	23.4kHz	
Input Voltage	480V 3Ph	
Air gap	7 in	Physical air gap
Efficiency	> 90%	DC-DC efficiency (92% peak)
Voltage	330-390VDC	Output
Pad dimension	36" O.D.	
Pad weight	~60 lbs	
Misalignment	8" @ 7" gap	With maintained efficiency
EMF exposure	ICNIRP	Meets ICNIRP 1998 standards



Design Requirements

- Inductive charging
 - Safety
 - High voltage
 - Magnetic field
 - Alignment detection
 - Foreign object
 - Can
 - Cat
 - EMC capability
 - Reliability
- Wireless communications
- HMI



Design Requirements

➤ Mechanical

- Weight
- Size
- G-shock
- Vibration
- Water/dust-proof

➤ Thermal

- Operating temperature range
- Liquid cooling requirement

Integration – Electric Bus

➤ High Voltage

- Allow inductive and conductive charging
- Matches BMS charging voltage
- HV connectors

➤ Mechanical

- Mounting
- Conduit
- Vehicle ground clearance

➤ Software

- Handshaking
- Charging status
- Vehicle status

➤ Thermal

- Liquid cooling

Integration – Primary Infrastructure

- Electrical grid
 - Transformers
 - Electrical panels
- Primary pad
 - Road loading condition
 - Freeze thaw cycle
- Primary charging station
 - Operating Environment

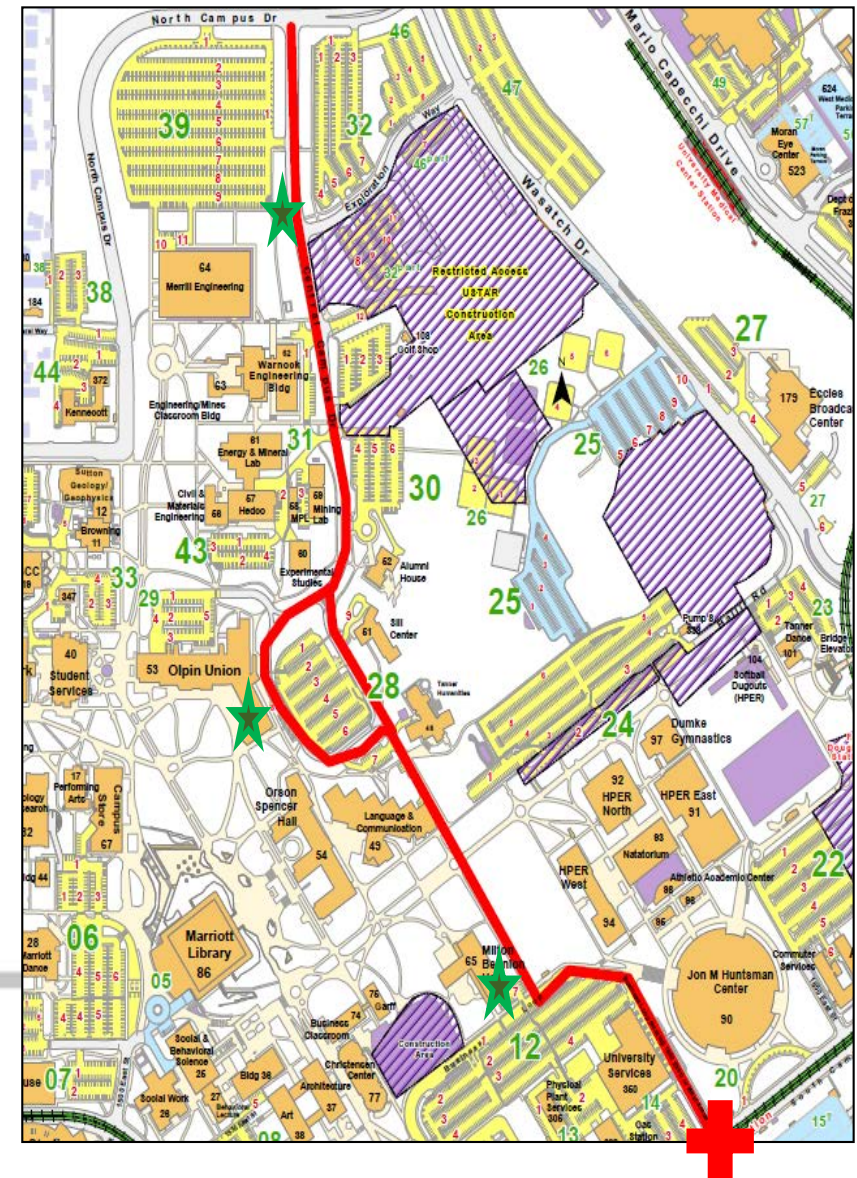


Current Project – UofU

- Charge for: 5min of 15min
- 1.6M route
- One 50kW charger
- Complete Coach Works bus
- Bus length: 40ft
- Battery: 213 kWh
- Propulsion: 180 kW
- Fully operational Q2 2014



First Commercial Demo

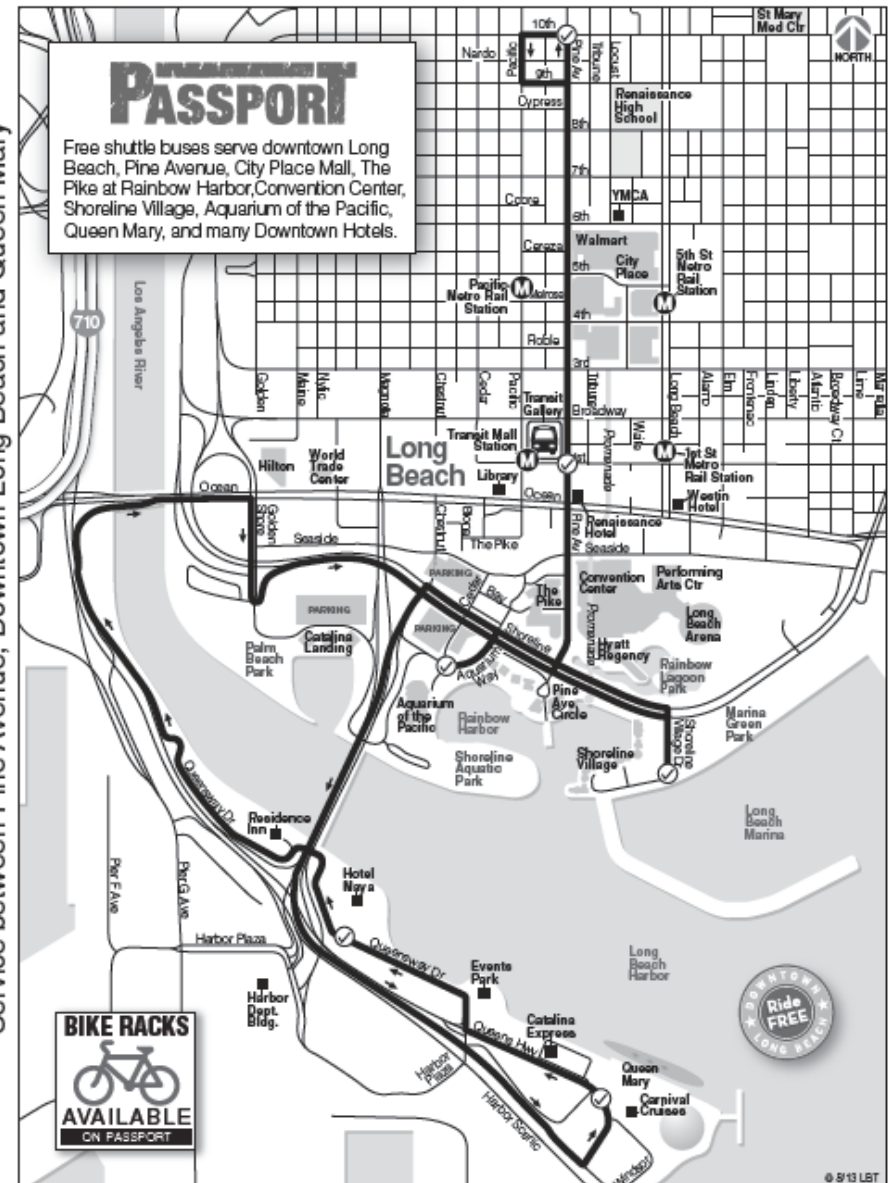


Current Project – LBT

- Charge for: 10-20min of 1hour
- 8.6M route
- Two 50kW charger, 10 buses
- BYD bus
- Battery: 324 kWh
- Fully operational Q3 2014



Service between Pine Avenue, Downtown Long Beach and Queen Mary



Current Project – MST

- Charge for: 10min or 30min
- 4.5M route
- One 50kW charger
- Complete Coach Works bus
- Battery: 213 kWh
- Fully operational Q1 2015



Conclusions

- Electric buses offers many advantages
- Inductive charging can make electric buses more commercially feasible
- Many vehicle integration aspects to consider
- Questions and Answers?

