# Tactical Design of Electric Bus Network Using Optimization Tools

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#### Motivation



Figure: BNP Paribas Building in Geneva<sup>1</sup>





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#### Overview

▶ video link



#### No Good Deed Goes Unpunished



- Direct CO2 Emissions
- Initial Cost 5.5 MUSD Annual Cost - 8.8 MUSD
- Noise Pollution

#### **Trolley Bus**

- No Direct CO2 Emissions
- Initial Cost 25 MUSD
- Annual Cost 9.8 MISD Overhead Wires





- No Direct CO2 Emissions
- Initial Cost 25 MUSD
- Annual Cost 9.6 MUSD

- No Direct CO2 Emissions
- Initial Cost ? MUSD
- Annual Cost ? MUSD
- Overhead Wires + Rail



Mode Overview of Operating Line 5 in Geneva



#### Parties Involved

#### LES PARTENAIRES









#### CE PROJET EST POSSIBLE GRACE AU SOUTIEN DE





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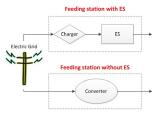
# Assumptions/Hard Constraints

- all buses fully charged overnight at depot(s)
- after visiting a terminal, bus will be fully recharged (cycles are identical)
- the energy storage has to be able to recharge between 2 consecutive buses
- every bus has to have enough energy to go back to depot at any point of its route
- the battery is never replenished (can't go below certain threshold, e.g. 60%)
- the power of on-board-charger is superior to the power of any other elements



# Primary Decisions I





- $x_i \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if station } i \text{ has FFS,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- $\mathbf{z}_i \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if station } i \text{ has ES,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

- p<sub>i</sub> Converter the converter power (kW)
- $p_i^{ES}$  the ES charger power (kW)
- $r_i$  the ES capacity (kWh)

### Primary Decisions II



- buses are homogenous (for easier maintenance)
- r<sup>Battery</sup> the battery size on the bus (kWh)
- $p^{OBC}$  the power of on-board-charger (kW)



# Secondary Decisions



- y<sub>i</sub> the amount of energy of a bus, when it leaves station i (kWh)
- q<sub>i</sub> the amount of energy, that is drawn by a bus at station i (kWh)
- w the total amount of energy, that is drawn from the grid (kWh)
- u the amount of energy, that is drawn from the grid and exceeds the peak threshold (kWh)



# Objective

With great power comes huge electricity bill.

min:

$$\begin{split} N\cdot (A^{OBC}+V) & \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor P/Q_V\rfloor} (1+R)^{-iQ_V} + \\ N\cdot A^{Battery} & \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor P/Q_b\rfloor} (1+R)^{-iQ_b} + \\ \overline{N}(A^{Converter} & \sum_{i=0}^{Converter} + F_0) + \\ & \sum_{i\in\mathcal{I}} [(A^{ESC}+C_i)p_i^{ESC} + (A^{Converter}+C_i)p_i^{Converter} + \\ A^{ES} & r_i & \sum_{i=0}^{\lfloor P/Q_b\rfloor} (1+R)^{-iQ_b} + F_i x_i] + \\ N\cdot O & \sum_{i=0}^{12P} (1+R/12)^{-i} + \\ (A^{Electricity} & V + A^{Tax} & V) & \sum_{i=0}^{365P} (1+R/365)^{-i} \end{split}$$

#### Constraints I

$$s.t. \qquad x_{0} = 1, x_{1} = 1, x_{k^{*}} = 1, x_{K+1} = 1$$

$$z_{0} = 0, z_{1} = 0, z_{k^{*}} = 0, z_{K+1} = 0$$

$$x_{i} \geq z_{i}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega}$$

$$p^{OBC} \geq p_{i}^{Converter}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega}$$

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$$Mx_{i} \geq q_{i}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega}$$

$$q_{0} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q_{i} \leq r^{Battery} - [y_{i-1} - E \cdot D_{i-1,i}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} - \{0\}$$

$$q_{i} \leq p^{OBC} T_{i}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega}$$

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$$q_{3} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q_{4} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q_{5} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q_{6} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q_{7} \leq r^{Battery}$$

$$q$$





#### Constraints II

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &= y_{i-1} + q_i - E \cdot D_{i-1,i}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} - \{0\} \\ y_i &\geq E \cdot D_{i,i+1}, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} - \{K+1\} \end{aligned} \tag{14} \\ y_i &\geq E^d \cdot D_{i,0}, i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} - \{0\} \tag{15} \\ y_1 &= r^{Battery}, y_{k^*} = r^{Battery}, y_{K+1} = r^{Battery} \tag{16} \\ r^{Battery} - E \cdot D_{0,1} &\geq S_t \cdot r^{Battery} \tag{17} \\ y_{k^*-1} - E \cdot D_{k^*-1,k^*} &\geq S_t \cdot r^{Battery} \tag{18} \\ y_K - E \cdot D_{K,K+1} &\geq S_t \cdot r^{Battery} \tag{19} \\ r^{Battery} - E^d \cdot D_{1,0} &\geq S_d \cdot r^{Battery} \tag{20} \\ Hp_i^{ESC} &\geq r_i, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} \tag{21} \\ p_1^{Converter} &= p_{K+1}^{Converter} \tag{22} \end{aligned}$$





#### Constraints III

$$\begin{array}{ll} u \geq w - B & (24) \\ L^{ESC}z_i \leq \rho_i^{ESC} \leq U^{ESC}z_i, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} & (25) \\ L^{Converter}_{TF}(x_i - z_i) \leq \rho_i^{Converter} \leq U^{Converter}_{TF}(x_i - z_i), \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} - \{0\} & (26) \\ L^{Converter}_D \leq \rho_0^{Converter} \leq U^{Converter}_D & (27) \\ L^{ES}z_i \leq r_i \leq U^{ES}z_i, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega} & (28) \\ L^{Battery} \leq r^{Battery} \leq U^{Battery} & (29) \\ \rho^{OBC} \leq U^{OBC} & (30) \end{array}$$

 $x_i, z_i \in \{0, 1\}, q_i, y_i \ge 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}^{\Omega}, w, u > 0$ 



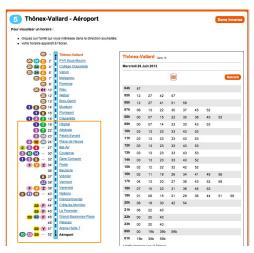


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#### Bus #5





#### Technical Details

Battery Size -- 68.6 kWh







- 5 with ES
- power 200 or 115 kW



On-board-power -- 200 kW

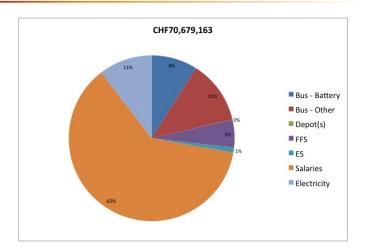


#### ES

- power 50 kW
- capacity 1 or 1.2 kWh

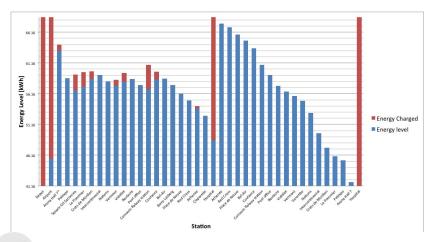


# Costs (30 Years Lifetime)





# **Charging Scheme**



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#### Conclusions

- Expected cost vs. reality +2M CHF (+ 20 years)
- Multiple solutions (degrees of freedom for decision makers)
- FFS only in the first part of the route (the energy consumption in the first part is +14 kWh, the dwelling time at the hospital terminal is lower than at the airport)



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#### Future Work

- Warnings (some power settings are not possible)
- Network level (preprocessed conflicts)
- Robustness





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