Electric Cars

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Let's Discuss...

Driving, performance, and range

Batteries, charging, and maintenance

 Costs, tax credits, environmental impacts, and the power grid

Driving and Performance



Regenerative Braking



Range



Battery Charging

In your garage

240V: Overnight. Costs \$.03 to \$.05 per mile (SMUD off-peak rate).

At a destination charger (hotel, shopping mall, parking garage)

240V: Free to \$.08 per mile.

On the road

480V Fast DC: Charge in minutes. Costs \$.08 to \$.15 per mile.

Questions?



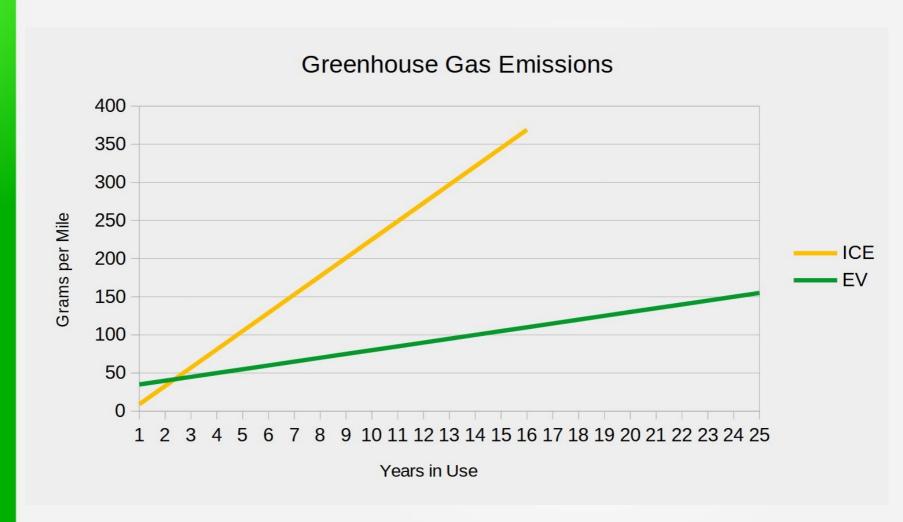
How long will that battery last?

 On average, gas-engine cars last about 180,000 miles.

 Electric car batteries are retaining 70% of charge at 300,000 miles.

 Batteries used in Tesla fleet cars are lasting over 500,000 miles.

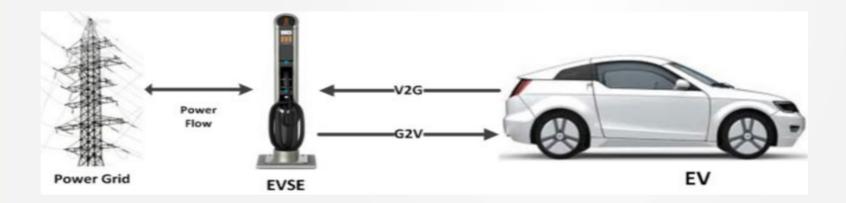
Environment Impact



Power Grid Sustainability

EV Charging in California during peak hours

- In 2022: 0.4% of total usage
- In 2035: 4% of total usage



Questions?



Maintenance: Parts I Don't Need

- Pistons
- Cams
- Crankshaft
- Timing belt
- Water pump
- Oil pump
- Oil filter
- Air filter
- Fuel pump
- Fuel injectors

- Transmission
- Differential
- Gas tank
- Radiator
- PCV valve
- EGR valve
- Spark plugs
- Exhaust manifold
- Muffler
- Catalytic converter

Purchase Costs

- Average new car price: \$48,000
- Average new electric car price: \$64,000
- Electric cars under \$40,000:
 Hyundai Kona, Kia Niro, Mazda MX-30
- Electric cars under \$30,000: Nissan Leaf, Chevy Bolt

Tax Credits

 Maximum tax credit \$7,500 (half battery minerals credit, half battery components credit)

- Price cap for SUV, van, truck \$80,000
- Price cap for others \$55,000
- Income cap for MFJ \$300,000
- Income cap for HoH \$225,000
- Income cap for others \$150,000

gov/credits-deductions/manufacturers-and-models-for-new-qualified-clean-vehicles-purchased-in-2023-or-after

https://bit.ly/qualifiedvehicles

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