

## **Outline**

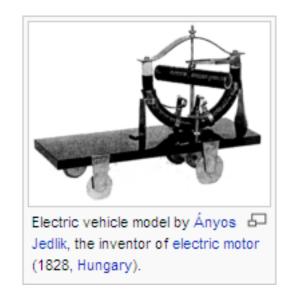
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## Introduction to Electric cars

- Electric car is an alternative fuel automobile that uses electric motors and motor controllers for propulsion.
- Electric cars which store electrical energy in a capacitor or battery.
- Electric cars create less pollution than <u>gasoline</u>powered cars, so they are environmentally friendly.
- Electric cars are zero emissions vehicles.
- Electric car did not have the vibration, smell, and noise associated with gasoline powered cars

## **History of Electric Cars**

- 1828 The first electric car was developed in Hungary
- **1835** The first practical electric vehicle was built in America.
- 1859 France developed an electric car with a rechargeable lead-acid storage battery.
- 1891 The first successful electric automobile in the United States was produced.
- 1897 Electric cars were produced in New York city and used for taxis.
- 1902 Electric car has topped speed of over 14 mph, range of 18 miles/charging.





## History of Electric cars

- **1974** Electric car has topped speed of over 30 mph, range of 40 miles/charging.
- 1997 2000 Electric cars are available for lease only.
- 2009 Few electric cars are available on the market such as Nissan LEAF, Chevrolet Volt, and Mitsubishi i MiEV with speed 70 mph, range of 300 miles/charging for lithium ion battery and 80 miles/charging for lead acid battery.



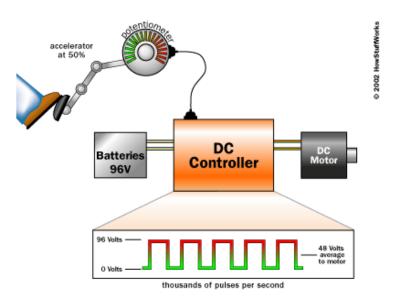
1974 Electric car model Vanguard-Sebring's CitiCar



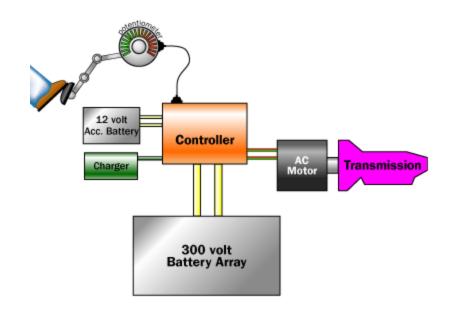
The tzero on the left can go up to 300 miles (480 km) at 70 mph (110 km/h) using Li-ion batteries, while the EV1 on the right has a range of 160 miles at 65 mph using NiMh batteries, or 80 miles (130 km) with lead acid ones.

## **How Electric Cars Work**

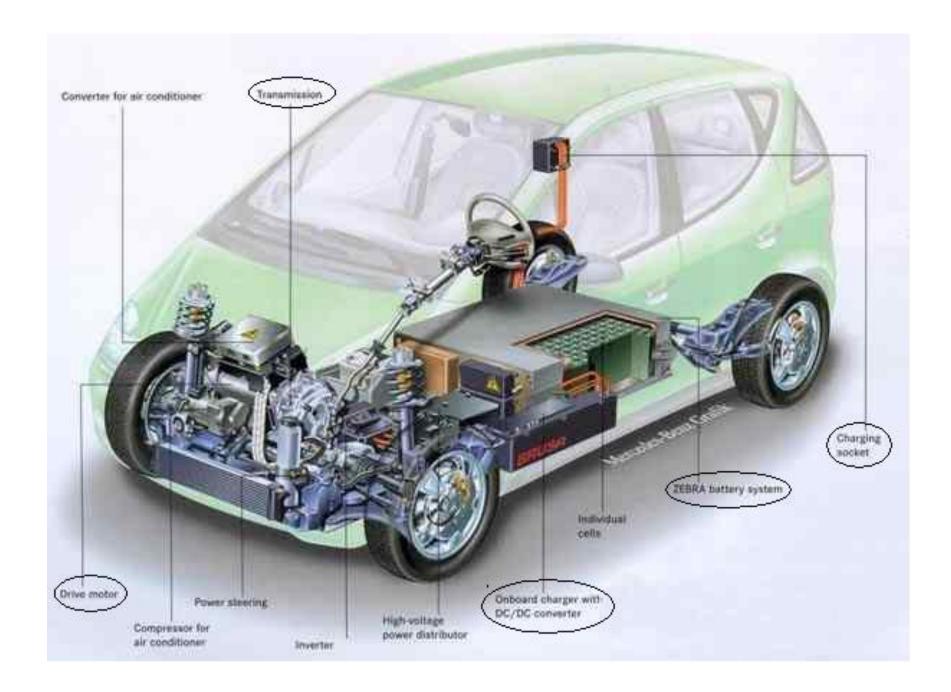
- The heart of an electric car is the combination of:
- + The electric motor
- + The motor's controller
- + The batteries



DC controlled motor may run on 96 to 192 volts.

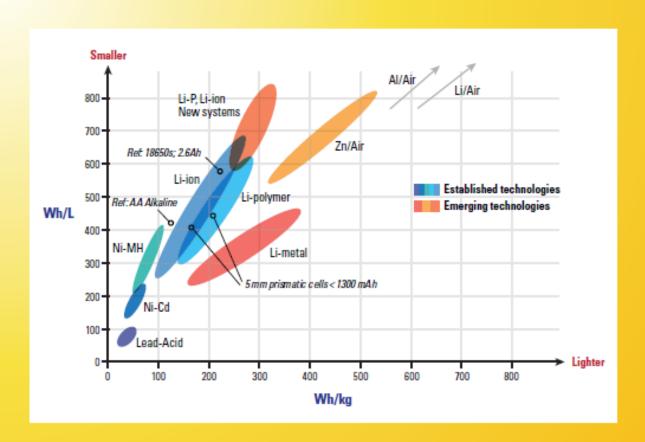


AC controlled motor usually runs at 240 volts AC using a 300 volt battery pack.





## Comparison of Energy Densities for Various Chemistries



#### Lead-acid battery



lead acid car battery

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Energy/weight	30-40 Wh/ko

Energy/size 60-75 Wh/L

Power/weight 180 W/kg

Charge/discharge efficiency 50%-92% [1]

Energy/consumer-price 7(sld)-18(fld) Wh/US\$

[2]

Self-discharge rate 3%-20%/month [3] 🗗

Cycle durability 500-800 cycles

Nominal Cell Voltage 2.105 V

# **Lead Acid Battery Reactions**

Chemical Reactions for charge & Discharge

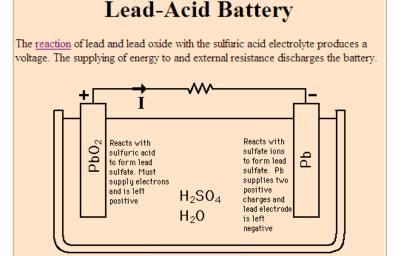
At the negative terminal the charge and discharge reactions are:

At the positive terminal the charge and discharge reactions are:

$$PbO_2 + SO_4^2 + 4H^+ + 2e^{-\frac{discharge}{charge}}$$
  $PbSO_4 + 2H_2O$ 

The overall chemical reaction is:

PbO<sub>2</sub>+ Pb + 2H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> 
$$\stackrel{\text{discharge}}{\rightleftharpoons}$$
 2PbSO<sub>4</sub>+ 2H<sub>2</sub>O



Lead-acid batteries

# Advantages & Disadvantages of Lead Acid Battery

### Advantages of Lead Acid Battery

- Inexpensive.
- Reliable.
- Rechargeable battery systems.
- Low maintenance requirements.

### Disadvantages of Lead Acid Battery

- Low energy density.
- Limited number of full discharge cycles.
- Environmentally unfriendly.
- Taking 12hr-16hr to recharge by standard outlet (110v).

#### Lithium-ion battery



Varta Lithium-ion battery, Museum Autovision, Altlußheim, Germany

Energy/weight 100-160 Wh/kg<sup>[1]</sup>

Energy/size 250-360 Wh/L<sup>[1]</sup>

Power/weight ~250-~340 W/kg<sup>[2]</sup>

Charge/discharge 80-90%[3]

efficiency

Energy/consumer- 2.8-5 Wh/US\$<sup>[4]</sup>

price

Self-discharge rate 5%-10%/month

Time durability (24-36) months

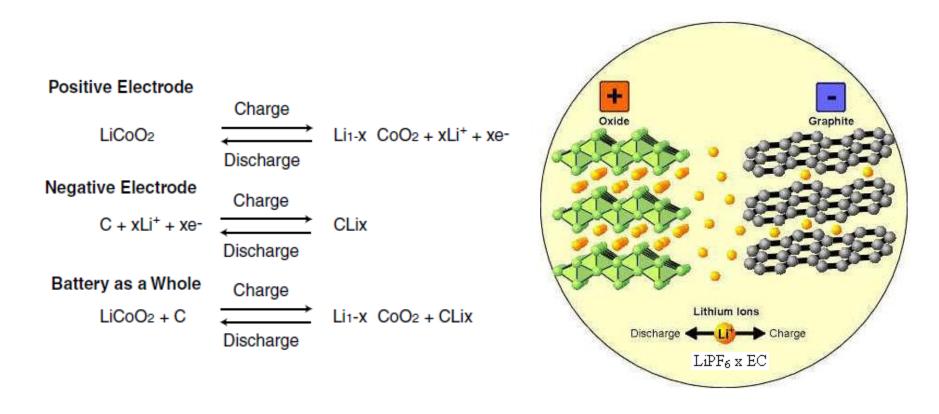
Cycle durability ~1200 cycles

[citation needed]

Nominal Cell Voltage 3.6 / 3.7 V

# **Lithium Ion Battery Reactions**

Chemical Reactions for charge & Discharge



# Advantages & Disadvantages of Lithium Ion Battery

#### Advantages of Lithium Ion Battery

- Higher energy density.
- Operate at higher voltages than other rechargeable.
- Lower self discharge rate than other rechargeable.
- Low Maintenance no periodic discharge is needed; there is no memory.
- Specialty cells can provide very high current to applications such as power tools.

#### Disadvantages of Lithium Ion Battery

- More expensive than other rechargeable (\$10,000/battery).
- Lithium Ion Batteries are not available in standard cell size.
- Damage due to overcharging or undercharging.
- Highway speed, max 70 mph, taking 8 hours to complete recharge

## Lead Acid vs Lithium Ion

#### Lead-acid battery



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Energy/size	60-75 Wh/L
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Charge/discharge efficiency	50%-92% [1]
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Cycle durability	500-800 cycles
Nominal Cell Voltage	2 105 V

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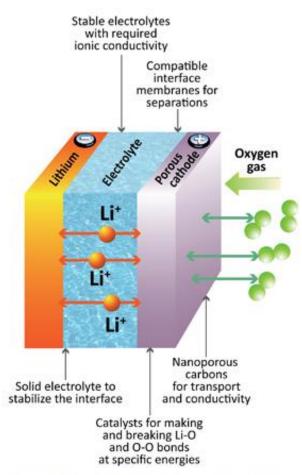
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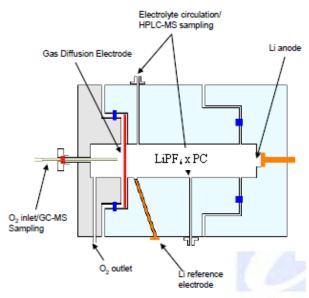
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# Lithium Air Battery Reactions



Li-air batteries hold the promise of increasing the energy density of Li-ion batteries by as much as five to 10 times. But that potential will not be realized until critical scientific challenges have been addressed.



Electrochemical cell for Li-air cell

The possible discharge cell reactions are:

$$2Li + O_2 - Li_2O_2$$
 (Eo = 3.1 V)

$$4Li + O_2 - 2Li_2O$$
 (Eo = 2.91 V)

# Advantages & Disadvantages of Lithium Air Battery

#### Advantages of Lithium Air Battery

- Ten folds increase in energy capacity compared to lithium ion battery cell.
- Operate at higher voltages than other rechargeable.
- Lower self discharge rate than other rechargeable.
- Low maintenance requirements.

#### Disadvantages of Lithium Air Battery

- It is easy to explode in contact with water.
- More expensive than other rechargeable.

## Advantages & Disadvantages

- Advantages of the electric car
- Zero emission vehicle
- Lower cost of fuel (43 miles/dollar)
- Rechargeable batteries are recycle well
- Smooth running, No vibration
- Less maintenance
- Disadvantages of the electric car
- Takes time to charge battery (several hours)
- Low speed (max speed, 70 mph)
- Heavy battery (Lithium battery is 1000 pounds)
- Costly to replace new battery (\$10,000/battery)

### **Electric Cars**

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