## FEV Signature Solutions Fuel Cell Aging Analysis and Lifetime Improvement

# Assess and improve the lifetime of your fuel cell stack

#### **FEV offers**

- Advanced fuel cell stack aging models
- Precise lifecycle prediction tools
- Optimization of operating strategy to reduce stack aging
  - Implementable with your or FEV's FC onboard controls
- Durability testing
  - Customizable accelerated durability tests
  - Fast, reliable durability testing solutions



#### Why FEV

- Proven stack aging models validated in real-world fuel cell applications
- Customizable solutions to fit specific customer requirements
- Continuous optimization based on the latest fuel cell degradation data
- White box approach for customers to develop their own testing protocols
- Customer-friendly, flexible licensing model with tailored scope

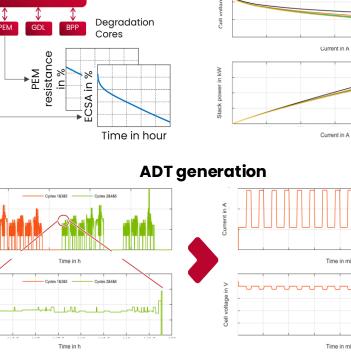
# Development of a degradation model for fuel cells and the definition of an accelerated durability test cycle

CLIENT: RENOWNED AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURER

- Support to develop a degradation model for fuel cells used in commercial heavy-duty vehicles
- Support to define an accelerated durability test (ADT) cycle
- Completion in 2024

### **FEV responsibility**

- Detailed analysis of pre-test data to form the basis for degradation model calibration
- Development and calibration of a degradation simulation model
- Definition and optimization of the final ADT cycle to replicate End of Life behavior



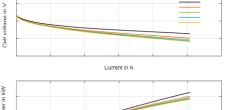
FC aging model

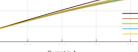
Performance Core

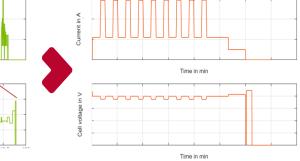
#### **End of life prediction**

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propulsion





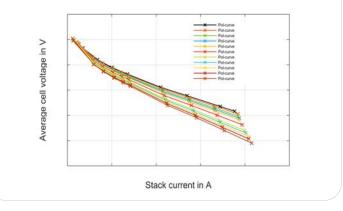


# Fuel cell aging models allow quantify the end-of-life performance, support the development of the operating strategy and speed-up the validation



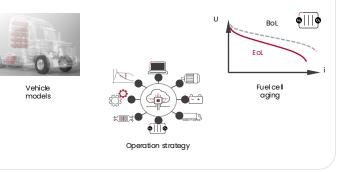
#### Lifetime prediction

- Use customer relevant test cycles to analyze the performance after e.g. 20.000 h
- Identify critical test cycles
- Perform sensitivity studies •



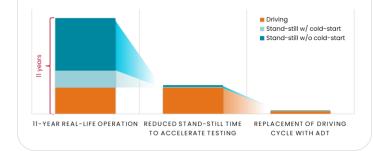
#### **Evaluation of hybrid** operating strategies

- The fuel cell power requirement is depending on the layout of the hvbrid architecture and the operating strategy
- The FC aging simulation together with powertrain models allow to vary the hybrid operating strategy and evaluate the impact lifetime



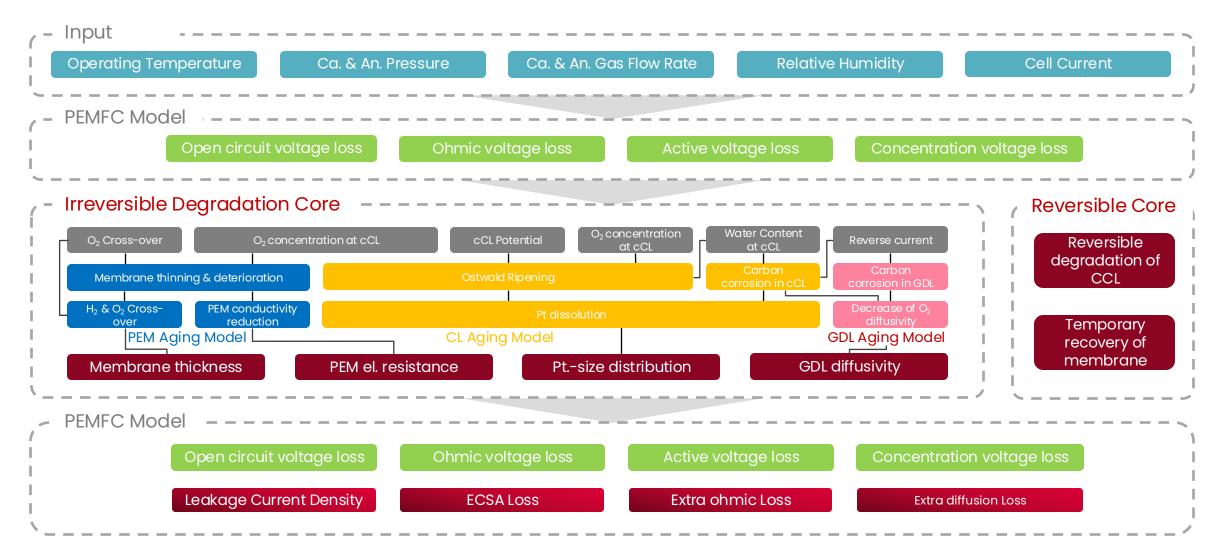
#### **Definition of accelerated** stress test cycles

- Comprehensive assessment of • load cycles and stand-still periods
- Identify stressors and parts of • the cycle with low degradation
- Realistic aging behavior despite accelerating by a factor > 6 beyond "quick wins"



# Overview of FEV fuel cell degradation model structure and sub-models Both, irreversible and reversible degradation is modeled in a physical way





# Get in touch with us for further information



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