



# Development, Trends, Opportunities and Challenges for Battery Vessels

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- The HK Offshore Windfarm
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# Agenda

- Why Batteries
- What is Happening to Batteries
  - Early development
  - Present Days
  - Future Trends
- How to go about moving into Batteries
  - Opportunities
  - Challenges

# Why Batteries?

# Ships provide large emissions and have large fuel costs



$\text{CO}_2 \approx 75,000$   
 $\text{NO}_x \approx 2,000,000$   
 $\text{PM} \approx 2,500,000$



$\text{CO}_2 \approx 6,000$   
 $\text{NO}_x \approx 70,000$   
 $\text{PM} \approx 100,000$

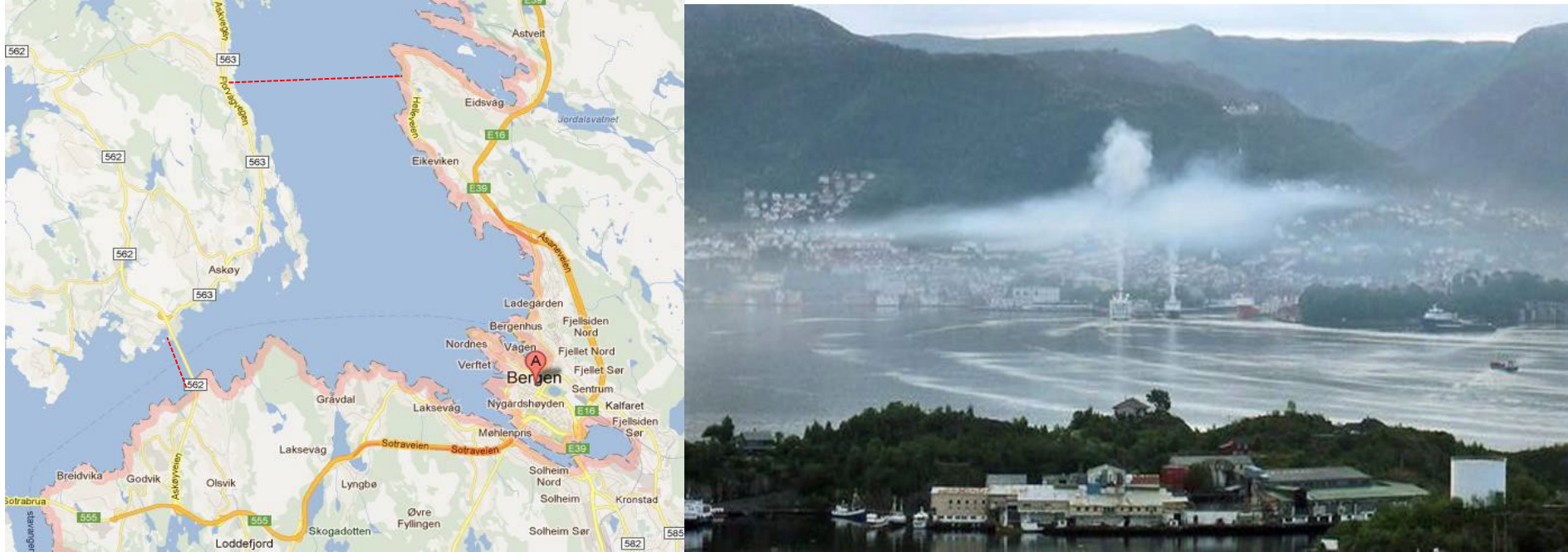


$\text{CO}_2 \approx 400$   
 $\text{NO}_x \approx 7,000$   
 $\text{PM} \approx 12,000$

$\text{CO}_2$  emission from one big  
containership  $\approx 75,000$  cars



# Reduce local emissions



Batteries can eliminate or significantly reduce emissions in emission sensitive areas

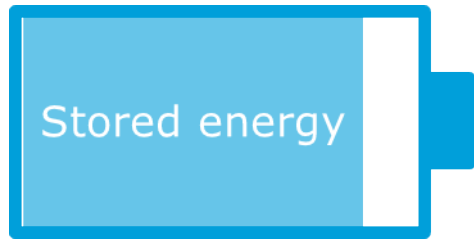


# When are batteries useful?

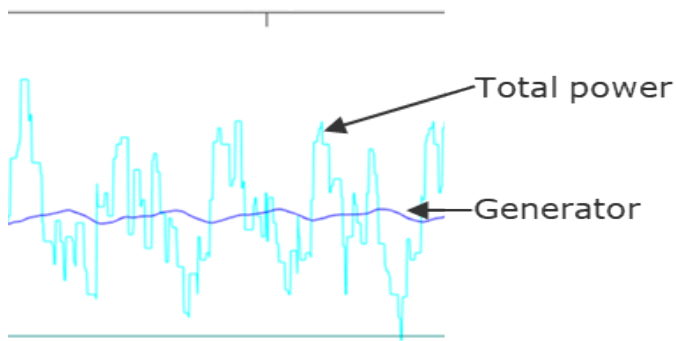
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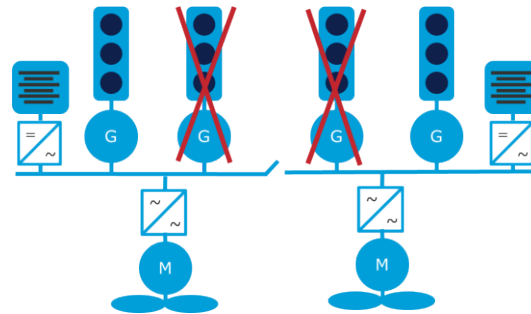
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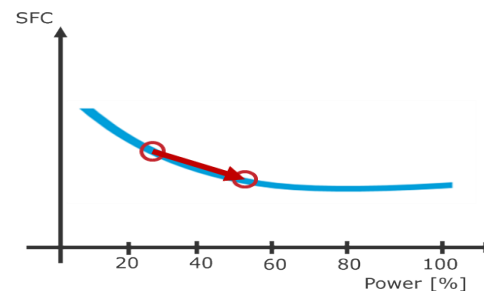
Peak shaving/load levelling



Reducing running engines



Improve machinery efficiency



- Peak shaving alone do not have significant effect.

**Need to identify operational modes with:**

1. **Low average engine loads**
2. **High load variations**

- Other operational factors like closed bus, prioritized load reduction/shedding strategy will improve battery benefit

# What is Happening – Early Development



# In 2013 DNV led a Roundtable conference, declaration of collaboration and start up



The Green Coastal Shipping Program will be realized by the industry and government working together in a long-term partnership program

# Maritime battery systems – What is happening?

- Eidesvik: Viking Lady, hybrid supply vessel, retrofit in Norway 2013
- Østensjø: Edda Ferd, hybrid supply vessel, construction Astilleros in Spain 2013
- Østensjø: large hybrid offshore construction vessel, construction Kleven in Norway 2016
- Fafnir Offshore: hybrid supply vessel, construction Havyard Ship Technology's yard in Leirvik, Norway.
- Island Offshore LNG KS: Island Crusader, construction STX OSV Brevik
- Eidesvik: Viking Queen , hybrid supply vessel, retrofit in Norway 2015
- SVITZER: 4 battery hybrid tugboats, construction of ASL Marine in Singapore
- KOTUG: RT Adriaan, hybrid tugboat in Rotterdam, retrofit 2012
- Foss: Carolyn Dorothy hybrid tug of LA, buildings Foss' Rainier Shipyard in USA, 2009
- Foss: Campbell Foss hybrid tug of LA, retrofit Foss' Rainier Shipyard in USA, 2012
- NORLED: Finnøy, hybrid ferry, retrofit 2013 in Norway
- NORLED: Folgefonn, hybrid/pure battery ferry 2014 in Norway
- Fjord1: Fannefjord LNG, hybrid hybrid ferry, retrofit
- Scottish Government: Hybrid ferry in Scotland, construction of Ferguson in Glasgow
- Scandlines: 4 battery hybrid ferries, retrofit 2013
- University of Victoria: Tsekola II, hybrid research vessel, retrofit in Canada
- NORLED: 100 % battery ferry, new building Fjellstrand in Norway 2015



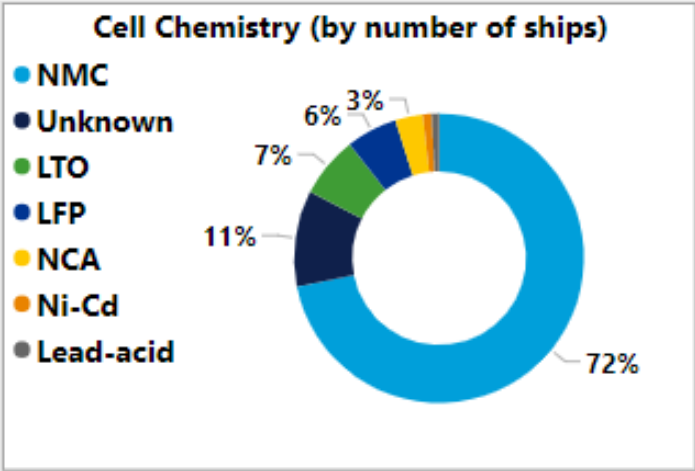
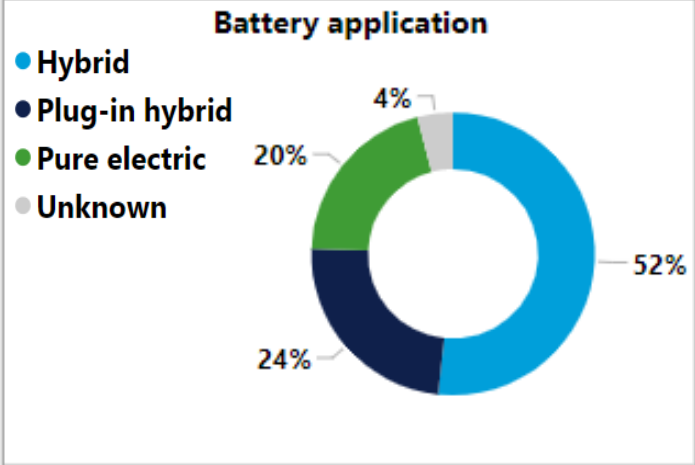
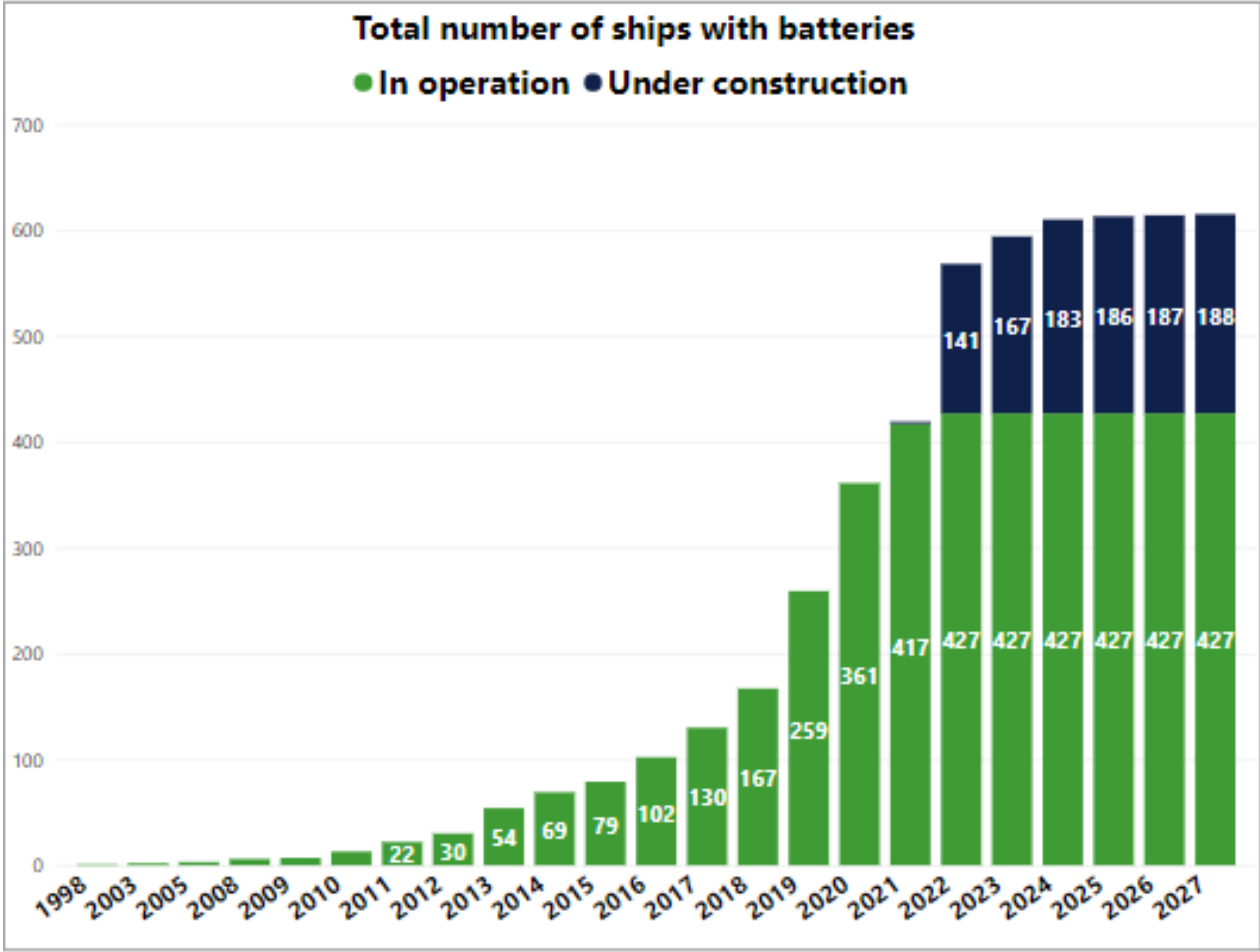
# Maritime batteries – What is happening?

- Electrification with Li-ion batteries - a global trend across sectors
- Hybridization with Li-ion batteries
  - can produce significant reductions in fuel consumption, maintenance and pollution
  - improve ship responsiveness, operational time and safety
  - may be a storage platform for black out prevention, energy recovery and renewable energy
  - enhances LNG based solutions
  - maritime power system providers are positioning themselves
  - Maritime Battery Forum is established
  - Green coastal shipping program is established
- Will provide a significant market penetration and environmental savings
  - In the future, most ships and vessels will be hybrid or plug-in hybrid

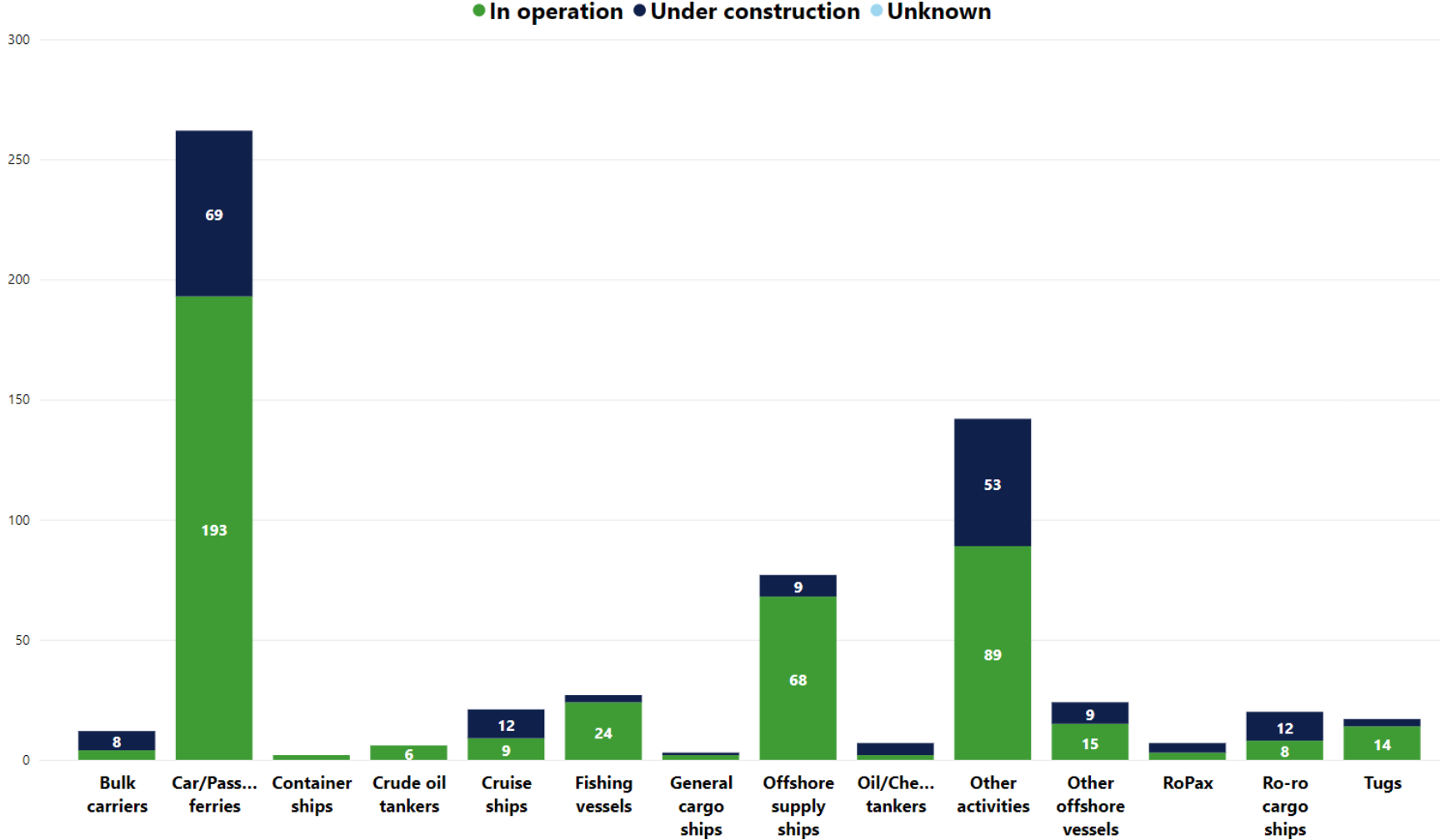


# What is happening – Present days

# Battery ships, application and cell chemistry



# Battery ships at ship types





# Ships for pure battery operation



Ships with frequent stays in port and relatively low energy needs

- Ferries, passenger vessels, short sea shipping
- Available port power and sufficient charging time, 5 to 10 minutes
- Max 60 minutes crossing and max 20 knots. However we have Re-Volt
- **Savings in fuel costs: 50% to 80% in Norway (crude oil price \$ 110)**
- **Pay back depending on electricity prices and investments on land**



# Ships for battery hybrid operation

- Ferries
- Offshore Vessels
- Tugs
- Dry cargo with cranes
- HSLC
- Wind Vessels
- Passenger ships
- FPSO
- Shuttle tankers
- Passenger
- Military
- Research ships
- Special ships
- Auxiliary engines in deep sea shipping

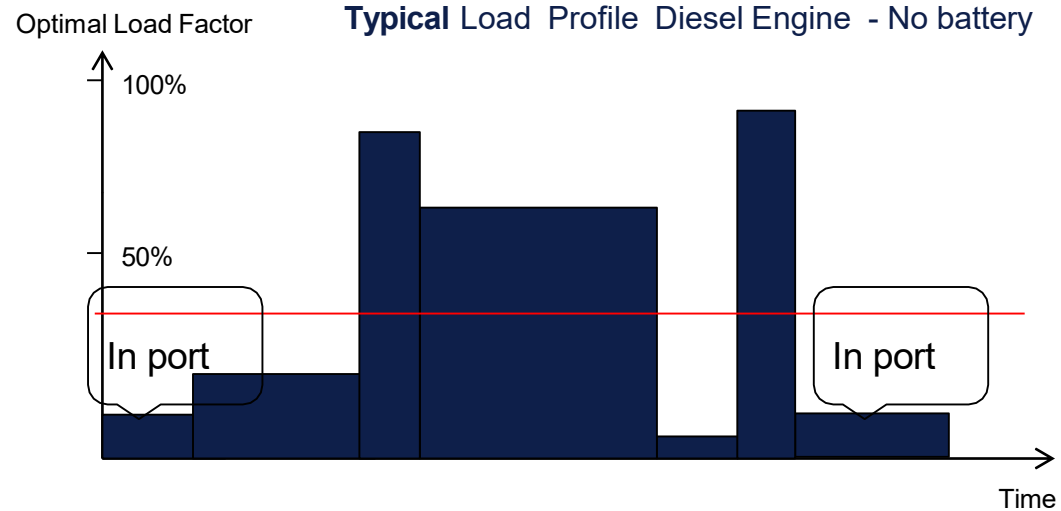


## ■ Hybridization

- ships with low engine utilization in periods, or
- ships with large power variations

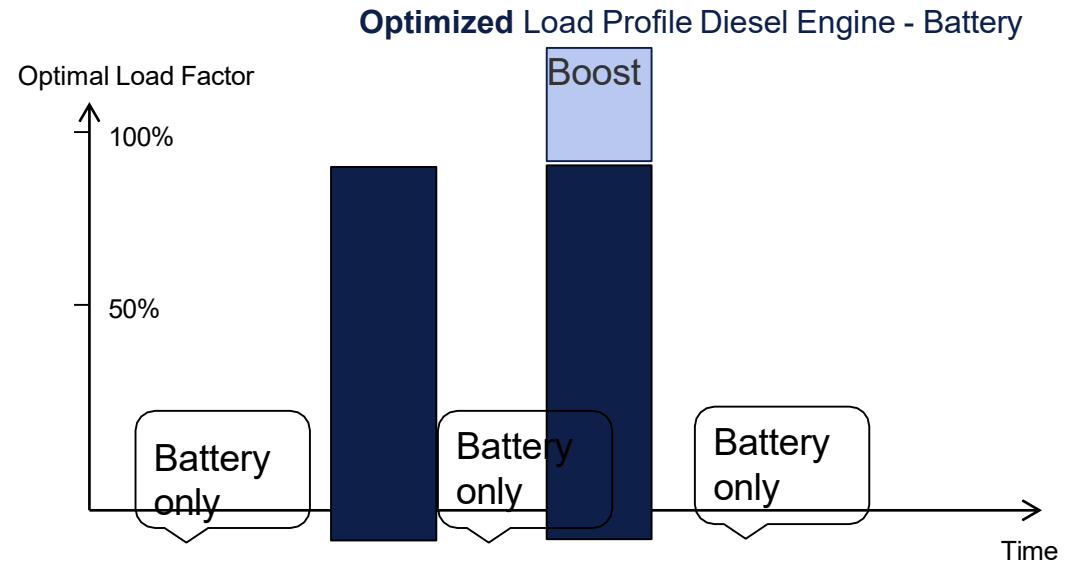
# Battery hybridization – low engine utilization

- Batteries can reduce fuel consumption, maintenance and emissions
- Diesel engines run at optimal load, when they first run



## Battery-only mode

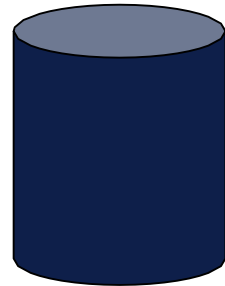
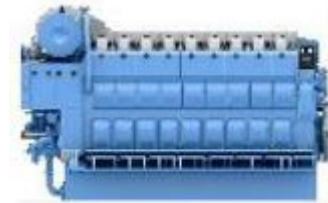
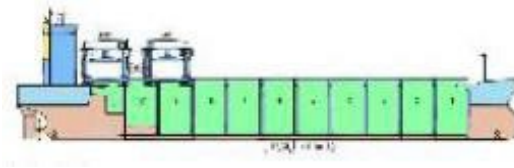
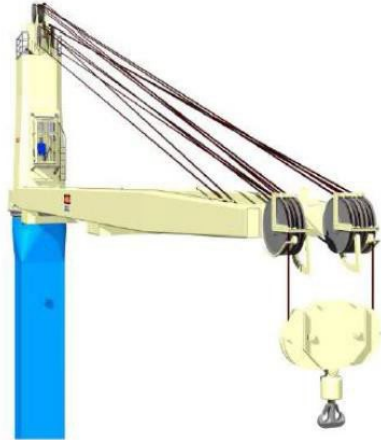
- In waiting situations
- In environmental sensitive areas
- In port



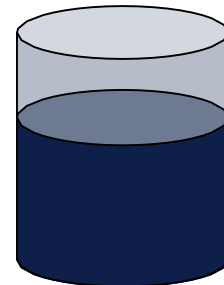
Plug-in hybrids can provide further benefits

# Reduced Cost (Example)

The hybrid system has annual savings of 110,000 \$ (oil price \$ 100)



313 tons used



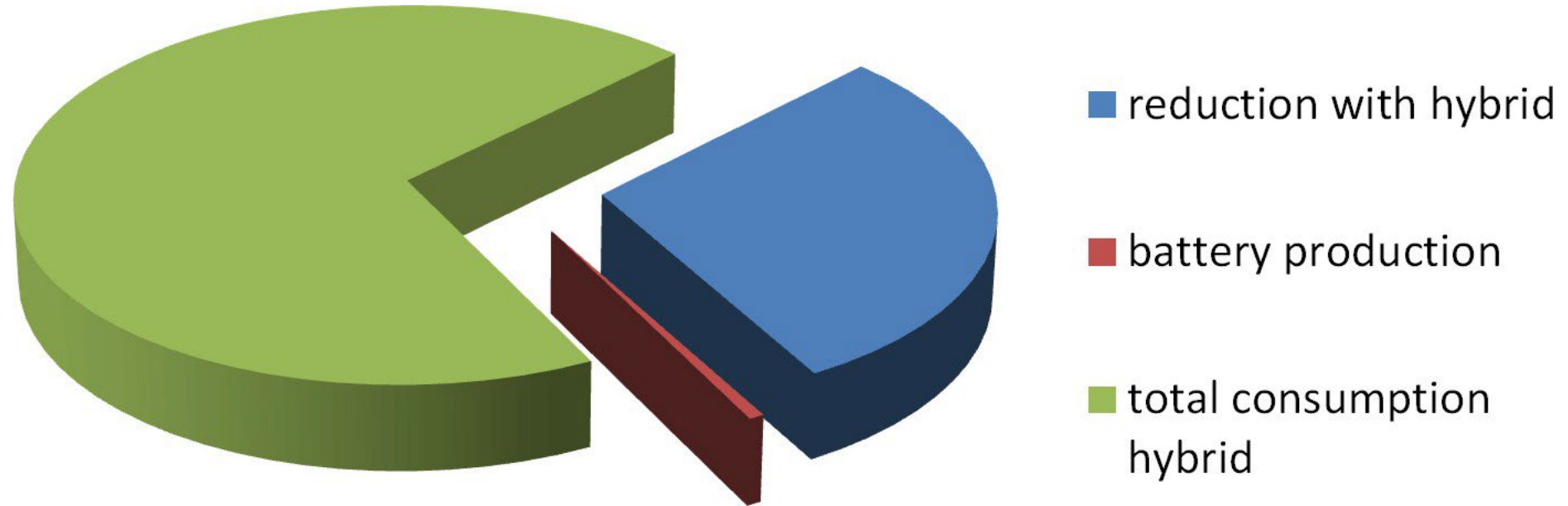
217 tons used

Savings due to:

1. Optimum load
2. Reduced transients
3. Regenerative braking

# Emission Reduction (Example)

For hybrid ship's CO2 emissions from battery production is negligible compared to reduced emissions during operation



A Li-ion battery will save the environment ten times as much CO2 if the battery is placed on a ship instead of a private car

# What is happening – Future Trends

# Trends in battery development

## The last few years

- Li-ion batteries have dominated the markets
- Reduced battery prices
- Increased energy density and improved safety, quality and reliability
- Very few issues with cells from the leading producers are reported
  - Nissan Leaf: 1 billion km driven in 4 years – very few battery issues
  - Toshiba: Several million LTO cells the last 4 years, not a single cell failure

## Next 5 years:

- Variants of Li-ion batteries will be dominating the market
  - Energy applications: NMC and iron phosphate
  - Power applications: NMC and LTO
- The systems will have active cooling in order to control heat build-up

## Longer perspective:

- New chemistries may play a role





# Battery research drivers

- **Stationary systems:** Focused on finding **cheaper** and **more available** lithium substitutes
  - Compromises the specific energy and energy density.

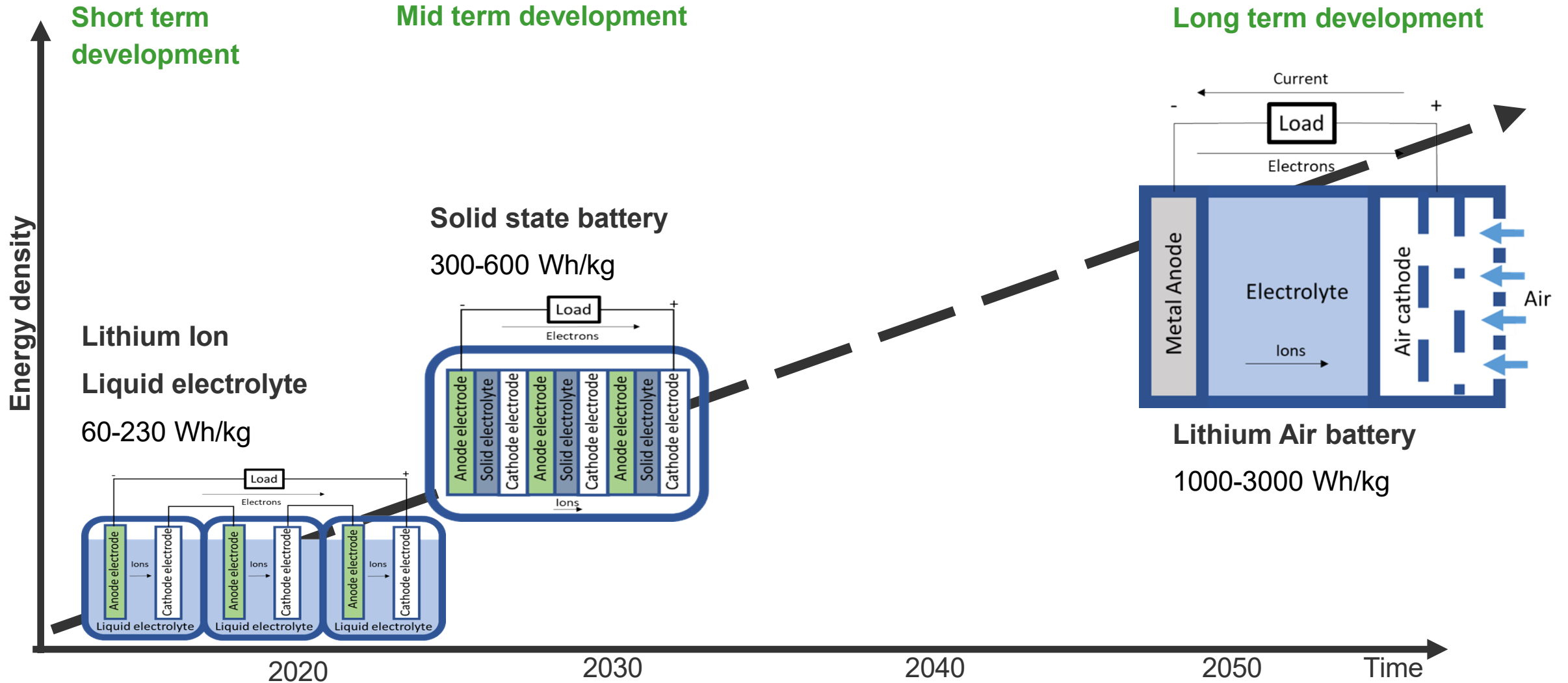


- **Automotive and Consumer Electronics:** Higher **specific energy**, **energy density** and **specific power**
- Structural changes of the electrodes, which affect both lifetime and safety.
- Applicable for maritime



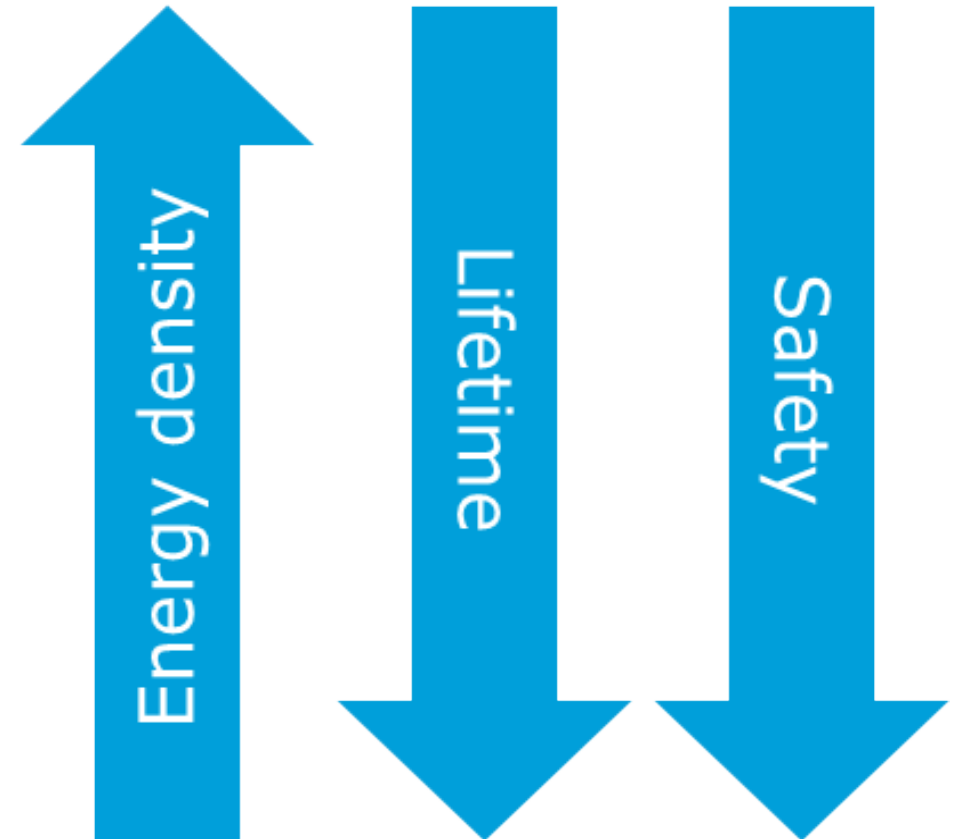
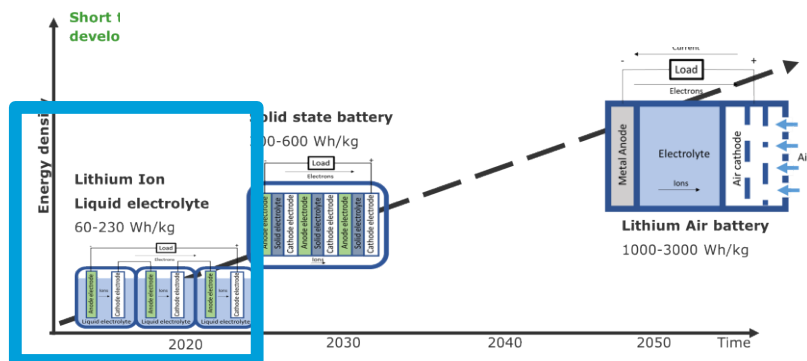


# Roadmap for energy dense batteries



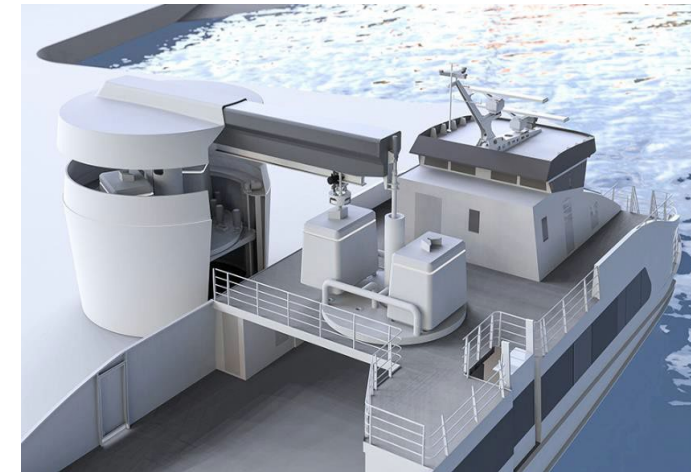
# Short term development

- Pushing towards **maximum energy density** and **minimum cost**.
- Silicon in the anode
  - **Increases energy density**, **Decreases lifetime**
- Lower cobalt, higher nickel
  - **Reduces cost**, **Increases energy density**, **decreases lifetime**, **decreases thermal stability**
- Lithium-Sulphur; Nikola Motor, concept studied in maritime. Produces SO<sub>2</sub>.
- Zinc-Ion; low energy density, but cheap and safe



# Short term development in maritime

- Containerized battery modules.
  - DNV has a battery container type approval programme.
  - Typical size: 10ft: 700-800 kWh, 20ft: 1.5 – 2.0 MWh.
- Swapping of battery modules/containers instead of fast charging.
  - Is under development by several companies.
  - Regular 20ft containers and special made containers are under development



# Battery powered ships in a nut shell



- Good investment
- Improved ship responsiveness, regularity and safety
- Improved environmental profile and reputation
- Acquired competence in a future oriented technology
- Increased robustness
  - Increases in fuel prices
  - Changes to stricter environmental regulations
- Decision support tools are available



# How to go about moving into “Battery”

# Opportunities

- Battery prices are going down
- Fuel prices are going up
- Decarbonization is a must
- Solutions are available for pure battery or hybrid
- All of the above make a good business case

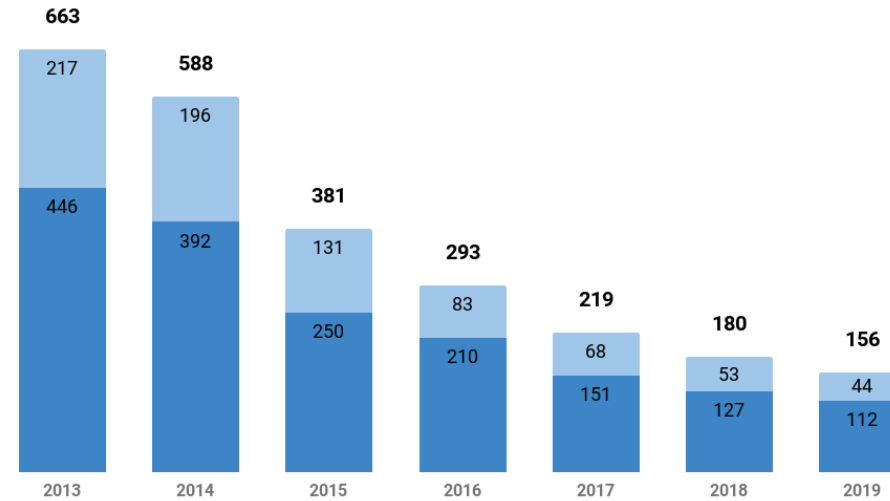
# Battery prices

- The battery packs price is about 156 \$/kWh in 2019.
- Price is expected to be close to 100 \$/kWh by 2023.
  - 100 \$/kWh is seen when EV will reach price parity with ICE vehicles.
  - High energy dense cathodes, falling manufacture cost and pack design will drive the price further down.
- Marine battery systems is offered now at 600-1000 \$/kWh, and is expected to drop to 200-800 \$/kWh by 2030
- Solid state battery cells are predicted to be 400-800 \$/kWh within the next three years

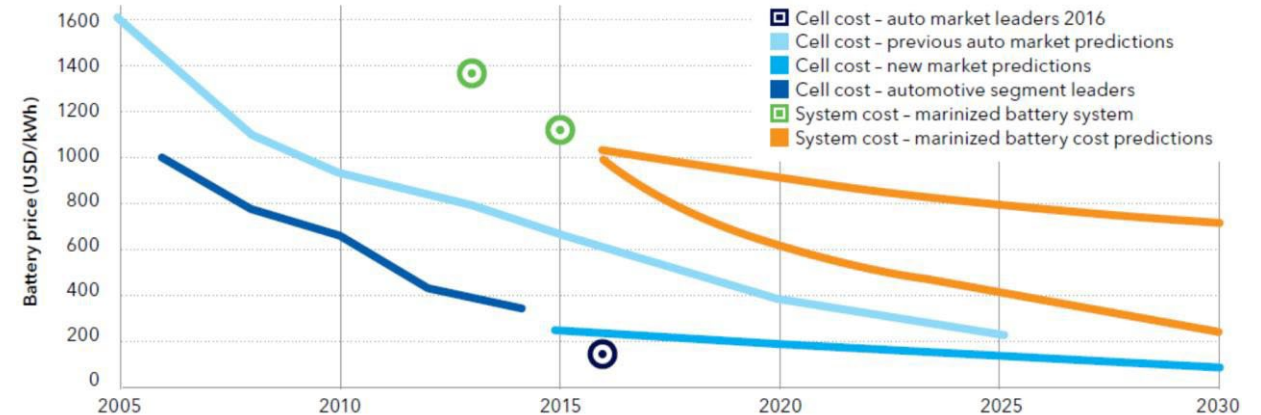
<https://about.bnef.com/blog/battery-pack-prices-fall-as-market-ramps-up-with-market-average-at-156-kwh-in-2019/>

## 2019 BNEF Battery Price Survey (with Cell and Pack split)

Data derived from BNEF, prices in 2019 USD, 2019 cell/pack split estimated. Prices are industry weighted averages, not cost leaders



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Source: DNV GL



# Economy for hybrid ships - general examples (crude oil price \$ 110)



Hybrid system cost  $\approx$  \$2,000,000  
Annual fuel costs  $\approx$  \$2,500,000  
Savings potential  $\approx$  15%  
Annual savings  $\approx$  \$375,000

**Pay back  $\approx$  5 years**



Hybrid system cost  $\approx$  \$1,000,000  
Annual fuel costs  $\approx$  \$800,000  
Savings potential  $\approx$  30%  
Annual savings  $\approx$  \$240,000

**Pay back  $\approx$  4 years**



Hybrid system cost  $\approx$  \$300,000  
Annual fuel costs  $\approx$  \$250,000  
Savings potential  $\approx$  30%  
Annual savings  $\approx$  \$75,000

**Pay back  $\approx$  4 years**

# Challenges - important steps in going into “Battery”

## Are batteries feasible for my ship?

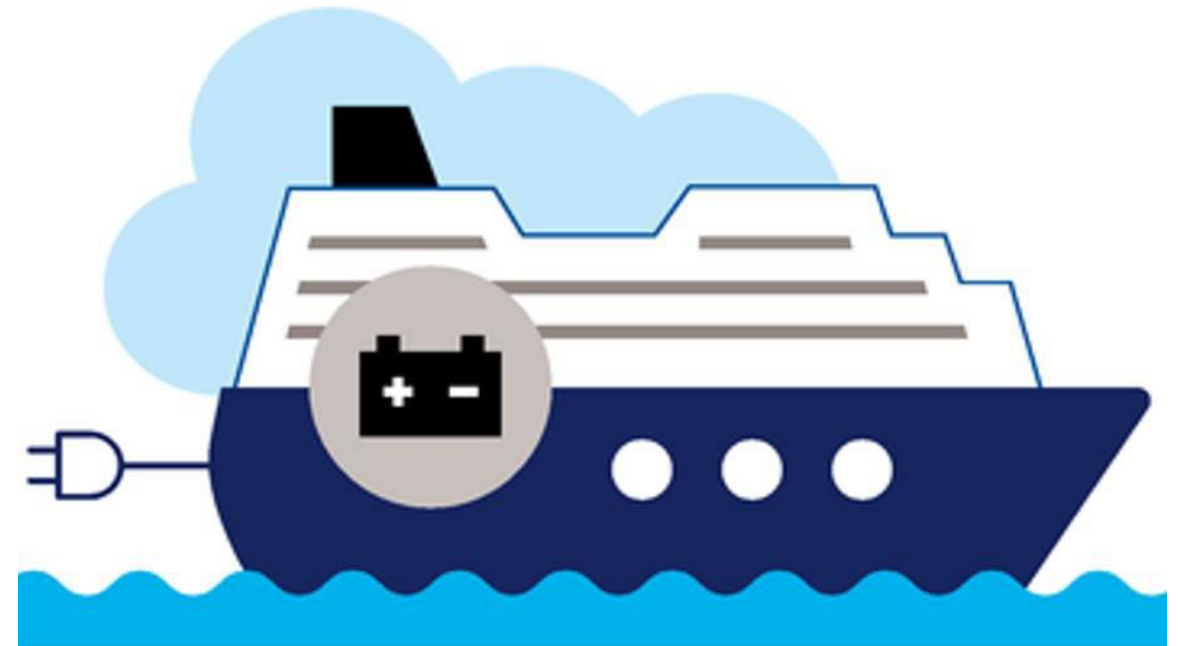
- Technical feasibility studies
- Concept design review
- Cost, payback time and sensitivity analysis

## How to select and operate the battery?

- Technical tender evaluation
- Battery system business risk assessment
- Battery life time assessment and battery sizing optimization analyses

## How to make the battery installation safe?

- Battery system safety risk analysis
- Technology Qualification, batteries novel to maritime industry



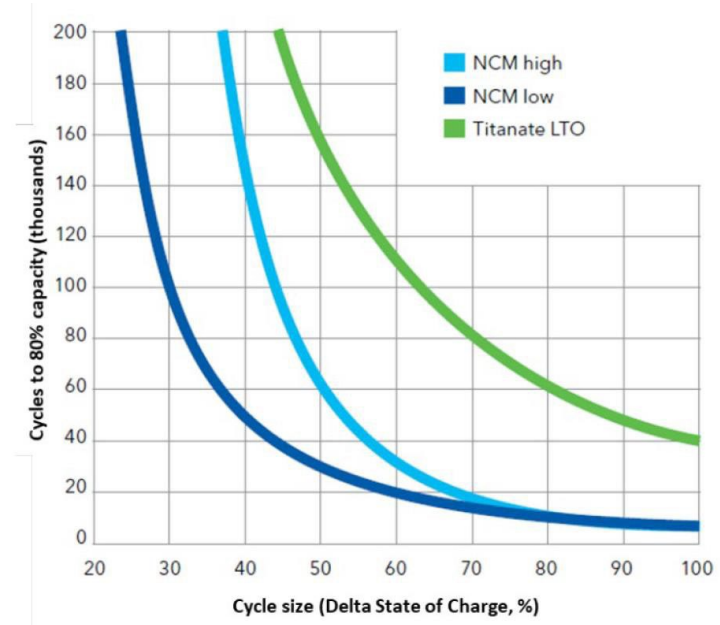
# Challenges - are batteries feasible for my vessel?

- How do you operate today?
- What are you dimensioned for, what are you using in real life?
- Do you have extra gensets running just in case?
- Do you have varying loads?
- Do you have low load scenarios?
- Do you have cargo handling?
- Do you have high requirements for redundancy and fast response?
- How does your system react to worst case single failure?
- How do you ensure smarter use of you vessel today?



# Challenges - how to select and operate the battery?

- The battery energy will degrade over time.
- Determined by State of Health (SOH).
- Will also affect the probability to catch fire. (Thermal Runaway)
- Do not want to change the battery system earlier than the payback time.



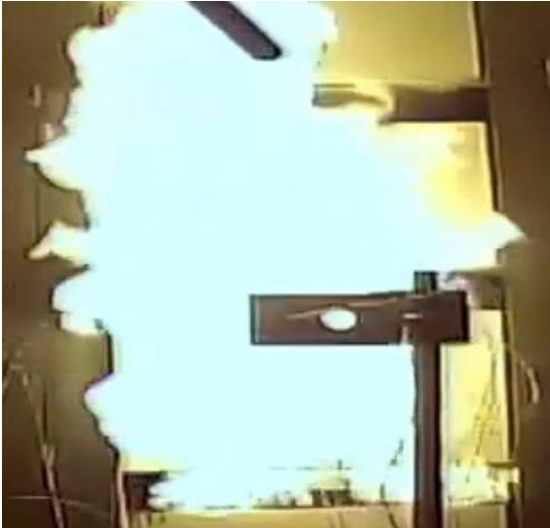
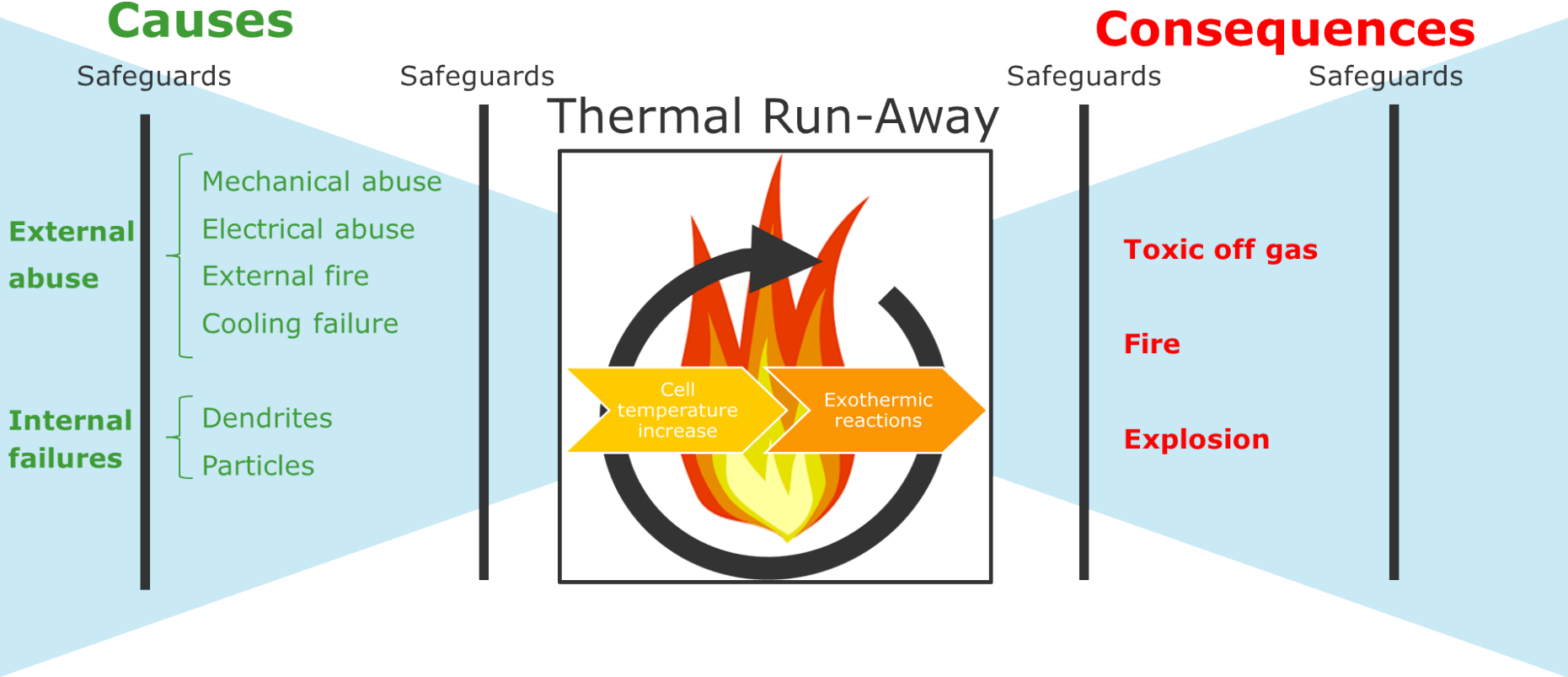
Cell before and after cycle testing to end of life

# Challenges - How to select and operate the battery?

- **Battery AI**; combination of machine learning and semi-physical methods to model battery behavior under a range of real-world conditions.
- Can analyze complex duty cycles of real-world operating conditions and determine the constituent abuse factors.
- The effect of these abuse factors is then modelled to determine expected total degradation.



# Challenges - Safety of Battery systems





# Thank you!

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