## **Advancements in Electrical Machines for E-Mobility**



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#### **Transportation Electrification**

#### AVIATION



#### WATERBORNE



RAIL



ROAD







Figures: https://trimis.ec.europa.eu/

#### **Electrical machines in automotive**









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Alternator



Figure: https://generatorexchange.net/

Windshield wiper motor



Figure: https://www.bosch.com/



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## Challanges in developing machines for E-mobility

- **Cost** prototyping and testing are costly
- **Complexity** multidisciplinary design (electromagnetic, thermal and mechanical)
- Efficiency every % counts
- **Power density** higher power density = less mass



- **Reliability** resistance of the electrical motor to the failure
- **Certificaiton** safety, EMC...

## **Primary Technology Themes**



#### **Machine Architectures**





#### **Machine Architectures - Time line**



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## **Moving towards High-Speeds**



The Tesla S Plaid's carbon sleeve rotor can maintain a maximum speed of 23,300 rpm (source insideevs).



Figure: https://futurride.com

Garrett 3-in-1 E-Axle for Electric Vehicles

Over 30 000 rpm



## Moving from PMSM to PM-Re Free





Source: Electric Machine Roadmap 2020, narrative report, February 2021 Figures: https://www.sciencenews.org/article/rare-earthmining-renewable-energy-future



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## Moving from PMSM to WRSM



#### **Machine Architectures**



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## **Thermal Management**

The standard solution is a **Water - glycol** with a cooling jacket

Advanced solutions are gaining ground:

- Oil spray cooling of the end winding
- Direct stator cooling
- Rotor cooling

Oil cooling is gradually replacing water cooling.







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Source: Bennion, Moreno, Convective Heat Transfer Coefficients of Automatic Transmission Fluid Jets With Implications for Electric Machine Thermal Management, DOI:10.1115/IPACK2015-48382

#### **Thermal Management**





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#### Material developments - Hairpin winding



Fill factor 85% (source: Mitsubishi)



Fill factor 40% (source: Brusa)











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## Manufacturing innovations – 3D printing









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## Life Cycle

# High-Volume Recycling of E-Machines: Key Challenges

•Key materials to extract: **magnets**, **copper**, and **electrical steels**.

•Challenge: Extracting materials **cost-effectively** without damage.

#### **Sustainability and Material Recovery**

•Minimize environmental impact in scaled-up recycling processes.

•Ensure **high recovery rates** of critical and non-critical materials.

•Balancing **economic viability** with efficient recycling processes.



Compact and affordable designs are driving greater integration of electric machines into drivetrain components, along with power electronics. This poses a challenge for serviceability, disassembly, and energyefficient recycling at the end of their life cycle.





**Based on**: Electric Machines Roadmap 2020, Narrative Report, Automotive council UK, Advanced Propulsion Centre UK

Figures: Audi

## Life Cycle







#### Magnets

- New methods: **Hydrogen injection** for breaking down magnets.

- Use of **solvent extraction** for separating rare earth elements.

- Key goal: Achieve a circular economy without using primary rare earth

#### Copper

- can be recycled multiple times without degradation.
  - impregnation challenges in extracting copper from components.

#### **Electrical steels**

- are difficult to recycle due to insulation layers and high silicon content.

- Cannot be recycled with traditional steel grades.
- Need for **new processes** tailored to electrical steels recycling.





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## Summary



Trends towards high-speed, high-power dense machines

Trends towards Rare-earth free designs

- Advances enabling high-power dense machines
- Active cooling with liquid Oil cooling is gradually replacing water cooling

- High volume winding techniques with aim on high fill factor
- Ambition to have net-shape, zero waste components additive manufacturing

#### Thank you for your attention

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