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Thermal Management

Mobilising the Industry for Thermal Management Module Development

Thermal Management Expo 2024, Stuttgart

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Company Profile - History



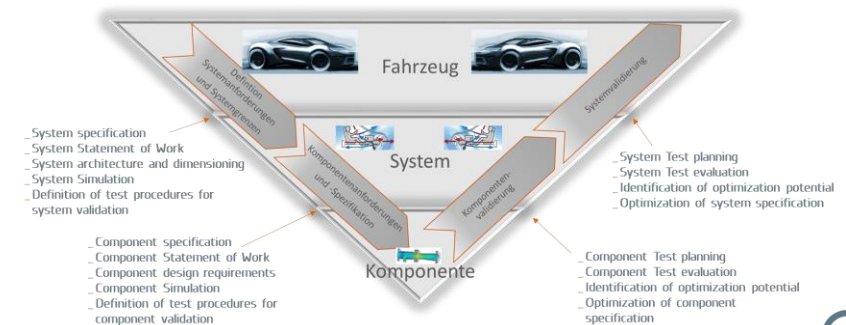
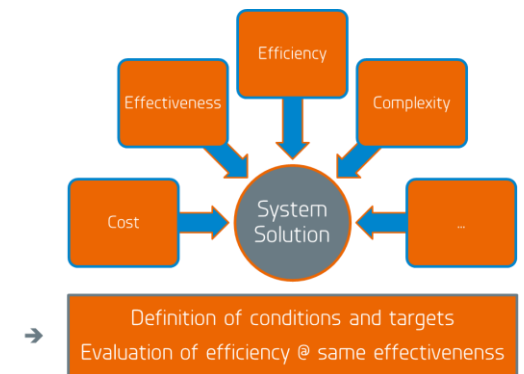
Company Profile – Founder

- _ Founded on 28th June 2016
- _ Owner and Managing Director: Dipl.-Ing. Marc Graaf
- Professional Profile:
 - _ Studied Mechanical Engineering, at the Aachen University of Technology
 - _ Specialized in Thermal Engineering / Heat Transfer Technology
 - _ > 25 years of professional experience in heat pump system development and automotive air conditioning systems with alternative refrigerants
 - _ Developed a thermal driven heat pump for residential heating (1997 – 1999)
 - _ Project Leader at an engineering service provider (1999 – 2002)
 - _ Manager Advanced Systems Development at an automotive supplier (2002 – 2016)
- _ > 20 Public presentations
- _ > 60 Patent applications



Portfolio – Main Topics

- _ Development of Heat Pump Systems and Thermal Management Systems for electrical Vehicles
- _ Integration of Batterie Conditioning into the Vehicle Thermal Management System
- _ Drive Cycle Analysis
- _ Development of Control Strategies for Thermal Management Systems
- _ Refrigerant System Design and Dimensioning of Components
- _ Design & Integration of Refrigerant Systems with alternative Refrigerants
- _ Top-down specification of component and subsystem Requirements



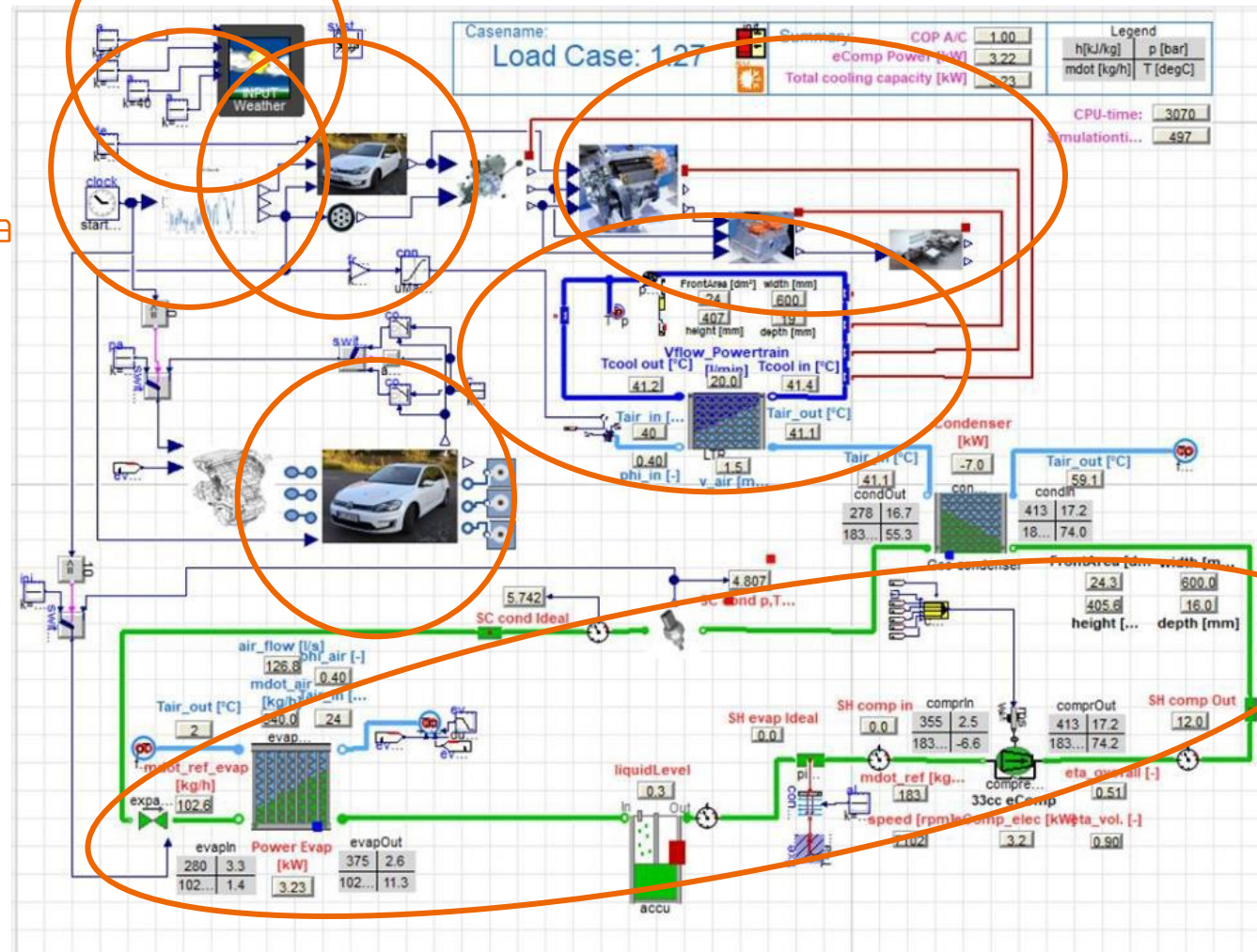
Thermal Vehicle Model

Weather model

Vehicle data
Drive cycle data

Cabin model

Refrigerant System Model

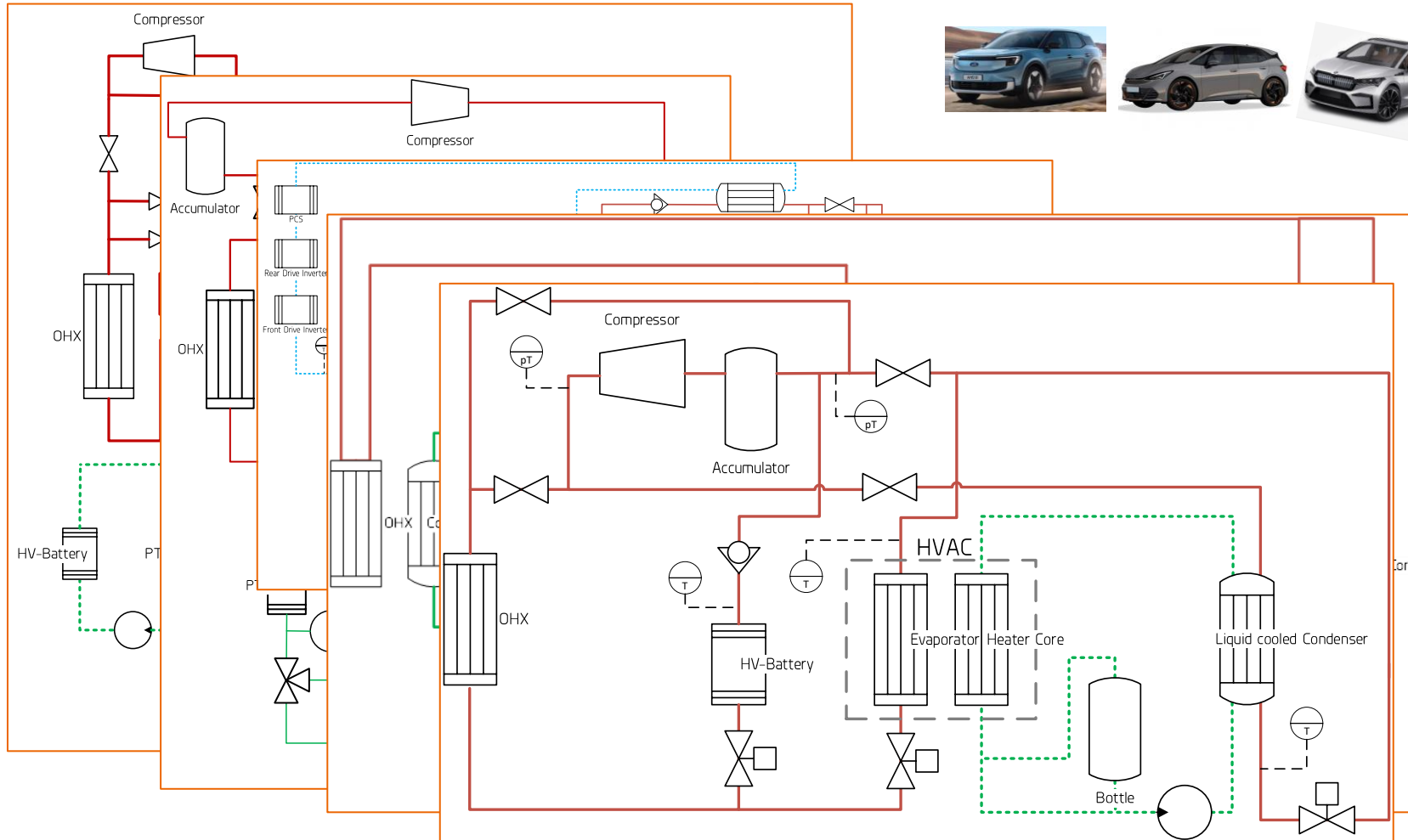


Powertrain

Coolant loop


















TMS architectures – >15 architectures available



Cabin & vehicle Models – >80 applications available

Passenger cars, trucks, busses and off road applications

B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
Fahrzeug	Fahrzeug	Version	Stirnfläche	CW-Wert	Gewicht Masse Leergewicht [kg]	Batterie- kapazität [kWh]	maximale Antriebsleistung [kW] bei 1/min	Drehzahl bei max Antriebsleistung	max Drehmoment [Nm]	WLTP Reichweite	Normverbrauch WLTP [kWh/100 km]	Reifengröße	Rollwiderstand cR PKW auf Asphalt	Fahrzeugklasse	Wärmepumpe erhältlich 06.2021	Fließschema (Bild kann vergrößert werden)
	Always U5				1825 [kg]	63,0 [kWh]	140 [kW]		315 [Nm]		16,3 [kWh/100 km]		0,011 bis 0,015	SUV	Nein	
	Audi e-tron	50 quattro	2,65 [m²]	0,27	2565 [kg]	95,0 [kWh]	300 [kW]		664 [Nm]		23,0 [kWh/100 km]	255/55 R19	0,011 bis 0,015	SUV	JA	
	Audi e-tron GT	GT 350 kW	2,35 [m²]	0,24	2350 - 2420 [kg]	93,4 [kWh]	350 [kW]	630 [1/min]	488 [Nm]	18,8 [kWh/100 km]	245/45R20	0,011 bis 0,015	Sportwagen	JA		
		GT RS 440 kW					440 [kW]	630 [1/min]	488 [Nm]	19,6 [kWh/100 km]						
	BMW i3	i3 60 Ah	2,38 [m²]	0,29	1270 [kg]	22,0 [kWh]	125 [kW]	4800 [1/min]	250 [Nm]		155/70 R19	0,011 bis 0,015	Kleinwagen	JA		
		i3s 94 Ah					1320 [kg]	33,2 [kWh]	125 [kW]	4800 [1/min]						
		i3s 94 Ah					1340 [kg]	35,2 [kWh]	135 [kW]	4800 [1/min]						
		i3 120 Ah					1345 [kg]	42,2 [kWh]	125 [kW]	4800 [1/min]						
		i3s 120 Ah					1365 [kg]	42,2 [kWh]	135 [kW]	4800 [1/min]						
	Citroen Berlingo Electric		2,90 [m²]	0,31	1605 [kg]	22,5 [kWh]	49 [kW]	1500 [1/min]	200 [Nm]	170 [km]	17,7 [kWh/100 km]	205/60 R16	0,011 bis 0,015	Kompaktklasse	NEIN	
	Citreon e-C4			0,28	1541 [kg]	50,0 [kWh]	100 [kW]	3700 [1/min]	260 [Nm]	350 [km]	16,6 [kWh/100 km]	215/60R17	0,011 bis 0,015	SUV	JA	
	Citroen C-Zero				1140 [kg]	14,5 [kWh]	49 [kW]	300 [1/min]	196 [Nm]	100 [km]	12,6 [kWh/100 km]	vorne 145/65 R15 hinten 175/55 R15	0,011 bis 0,015	Kleinstwagen	NEIN	
	Citroen E-Mehari				1573 [kg]	30,0 [kWh]	50 [kW]		166 [Nm]	195 [km]	20,0 [kWh/100 km]		0,011 bis 0,015	SUV	NEIN	
	DS Automotives DS 3 Crossback E-Tense				1600 [kg]	50,0 [kWh]	100 [kW]		260 [Nm]	320 [km]	17,8 [kWh/100 km]		0,011 bis 0,015	Kleinwagen	JA	
	e.GO Life First Edition	Life 20		0,27	1150 [kg]	14,5 [kWh]	20 [kW]			100 [km]	14,5 [kWh/100 km]		0,011 bis 0,015	Kleinstwagen	JA	
		Life 40			1170 [kg]	17,5 [kWh]	40 [kW]			113 [km]	15,5 [kWh/100 km]					
		Life 60			1210 [kg]	25,5 [kWh]	60 [kW]			145 [km]	16,2 [kWh/100 km]					
	Fiat 500 e			0,32		42,0 [kWh]	87 [kW]			300 [km]				Kleinstwagen		
	Ford Mustang Mach-E	Standard Range				75,0 [kWh]	130 [kW]		415 [Nm]	450 [km]	16,5 [kWh/100 km]		0,011 bis 0,015	Sportwagen	NEIN	
		AWD Standard				75,7 [kWh]	190 [kW]		565 [Nm]	420 [km]	17,9 [kWh/100 km]					
		Extended Range				98,9 [kWh]	210 [kW]		415 [Nm]	600 [km]	16,5 [kWh/100 km]					
		AWD Extended				98,8 [kWh]	248 [kW]		565 [Nm]	540 [km]	18,1 [kWh/100 km]					
	Honda e					35,0 [kWh]	110 [kW]			222 [km]	20,0 [kWh/100 km]			Kleinwagen		



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Development Trends – Legislation

PFAS => R1234yf might be banned as refrigerant

Alternatives:

- R744: AC & HP systems are in production, very good HP performance

Challenges:

- higher system dynamics
 - challenge for efficient system control
 - lower performance and efficiency @high ambient temperature
- R290: very good refrigerant properties for AC & HP performance
 - flammable refrigerant
 - not allowed to use in direct system



Thermal Management Modules

- Coolant systems:
Pumps, valves and expansion tanks are pre-assembled as module
- Refrigerant systems:
Valves, Heat exchangers and lines are pre-assembled as module



Tesla Superbottle



VW ID3

Thermal Management Modules

- Coolant and refrigerant components are pre-assembled as module

Tesla Octovalve, Supermanifold



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Thermal Management Modules – Refrigerant

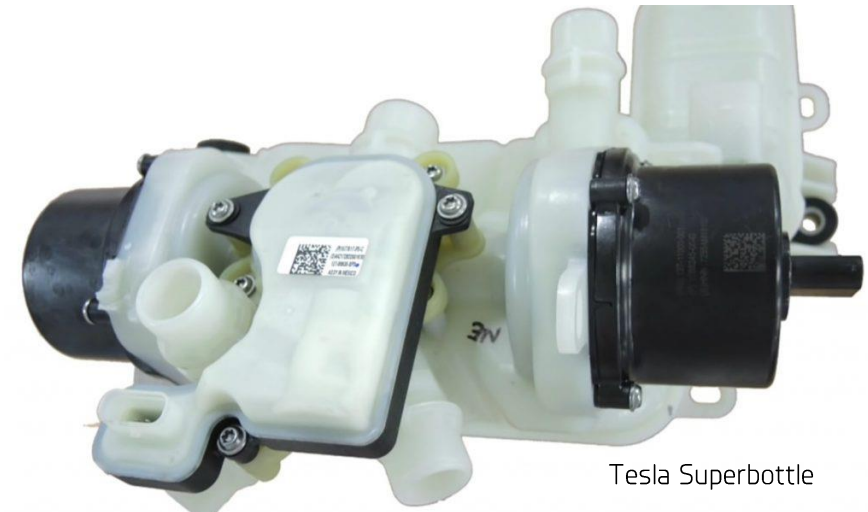
- _ Complete Refrigerant Systems are being designed as module
- _ Module can be pre-assembled, leak tested and charged
- _ Module can be used with several refrigerants without impacting other components => preparation for PFAS ban of R1234yf
- _ Easy to implement use of waste heat recovery at several positions in the vehicle (battery, E-Motors, etc.)

Some suppliers do not have a compressor in their portfolio and combine all other components as module



Thermal Management Modules – Coolant

- _ Coolant System cannot be implemented as total loop
 - _ Battery and drivetrain components need to be connected separately
 - _ Cooling Module and HVAC Heat Exchangers need to be connected separately
- => Coolant module can only contain pumps, valves and expansion tank



Tesla Superbottle



Thermal Management Modules – Advantages

Thermal Management Module:

- Module consists of complete refrigerant system
- System can be pre-assembled, leak tested and pre-charged at supplier
- Module can be used with different refrigerants (R1234yf / R290)
- System can be implemented independant from coolant architecture



Rheinmetall Thermomodule

Thermal Management Modules – Disadvantages

Thermal Management Module:

- Indirect system has slightly reduced efficiency due to additional heat transfer resistance (refrigerant/coolant and coolant/air)



Sanhua Modular Concept

Summary

- _ Modules are the current focus in cost reduction for Thermal Management Systems
- _ Suppliers who have all components of one or more subsystems in their portfolio have advantages in developing and delivering subsystems as a module
- _ For coolant systems, the supply of full functional submodules is not possible
- _ For refrigerant systems, the supply of full functional pre-charged refrigerant modules can reduce cost and assembly time at the production line
- _ Using an indirect refrigerant module gives the OEM the possibility when to introduce natural refrigerant, depending on legislative requirements (EU PFAS ban)



Thank you!

For your Interest!

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