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Staying profitable in the new era of electrification

Powertrain study 2020

Staying profitable in the new powertrain age

Management summary

1. The **electrification** trend is **accelerating** and is **unstoppable**, driven by legislation and popular sentiment. To achieve European CO₂ fleet targets, an **electrified vehicle** (“xEV”) share **35% to 45%** will be required in **2030**
2. As **OEMs struggle** with **on-costs** for **xEVs**, **profitability** and **contributions margins are under threat**. This is due to the new roll-out of xEVs to the volume segment, and the economic downturn caused by COVID-19
3. For the next decade **electric powertrain technology will maintain its pace of development**
4. **Batteries** are the **largest cost driver** of electric powertrains – **costs will fall further**, yet this fundamental point will still apply
5. The often discussed **turning point** when **BEVs** become more **economic** than ICEs is **not a discrete point in time**. It **depends** largely on vehicle **segment**, **power**, and **range** (battery size). BEVs will become economic for several segments, but extended ranges (600 km+) will not be viable with BEVs
6. Based on the **customer value proposition for powertrains**, **variants** should be **reduced to enabled focused** development capacities, while **core competencies need to be revised**
7. Given that **profitability is precarious** (due to COVID-19) but **xEV sales are growing**, **OEMs** need to **focus on cost-optimized powertrain** platforms and a **customer-oriented powertrain portfolio** to improve margins and profitability

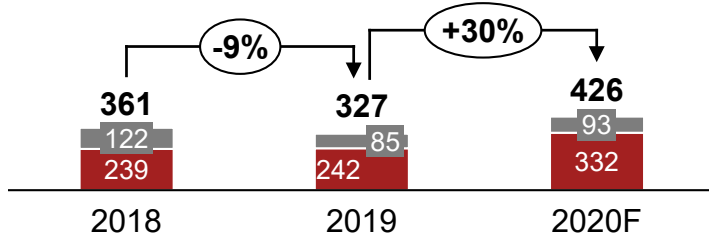
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Why electric
mobility puts
automotive
profitability
under pressure



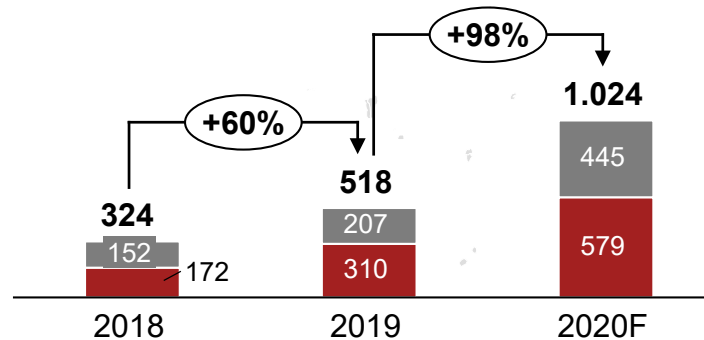
xEV sales in China has slowed down – Europe has become the main growth market

Current sales figures and trends for BEV and PHEV (thousand units per year)



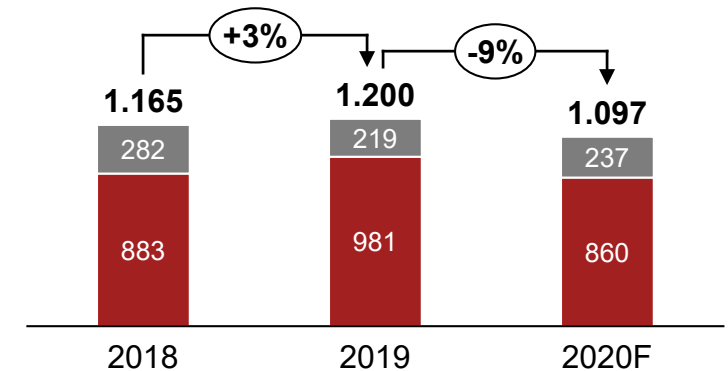
USA

- Nation is divided by states following CARB¹⁾ regulation (e.g. CA, MA, OR, ME) and others
- Government support measures for BEV (e.g. tax credit) limited by total sales per OEM
- No governmental charging infrastructure support package; efforts mostly driven by OEMs
- City bans are not relevant and are not expected to become so until 2030



EU-28

- Stricter CO₂ fleet targets recently enacted
- BEVs and PHEVs are necessary to comply with target and avoid penalties
- COVID-19: Government support measures with strong focus on BEVs and PHEVs
- First city bans for combustion engines announced for 2030 (e.g. Amsterdam)



China

- As response to COVID-19, financial subsidies for NEV²⁾ extended until the end of 2022
- In the next 3 years, gradually increase of the mandated production quota for NEV. Fines for non-compliance for manufacturers
- Quotas on license plate removed for NEV and somewhat relaxed for ICE (e.g. in Hangzhou)

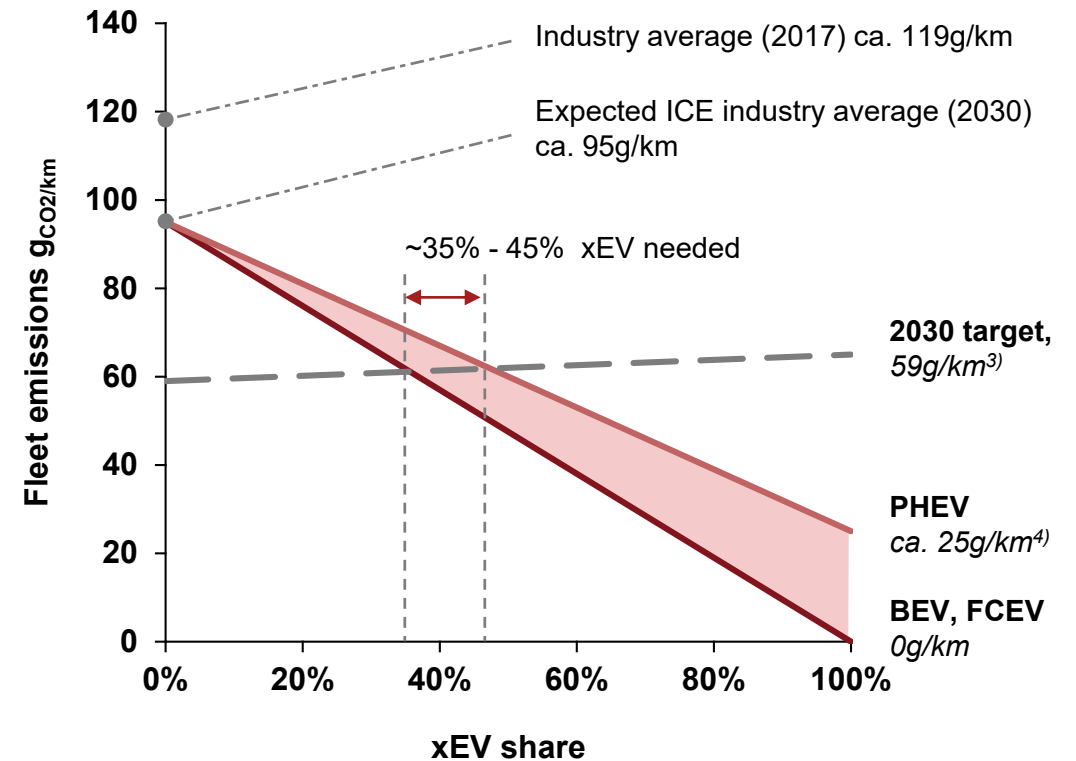
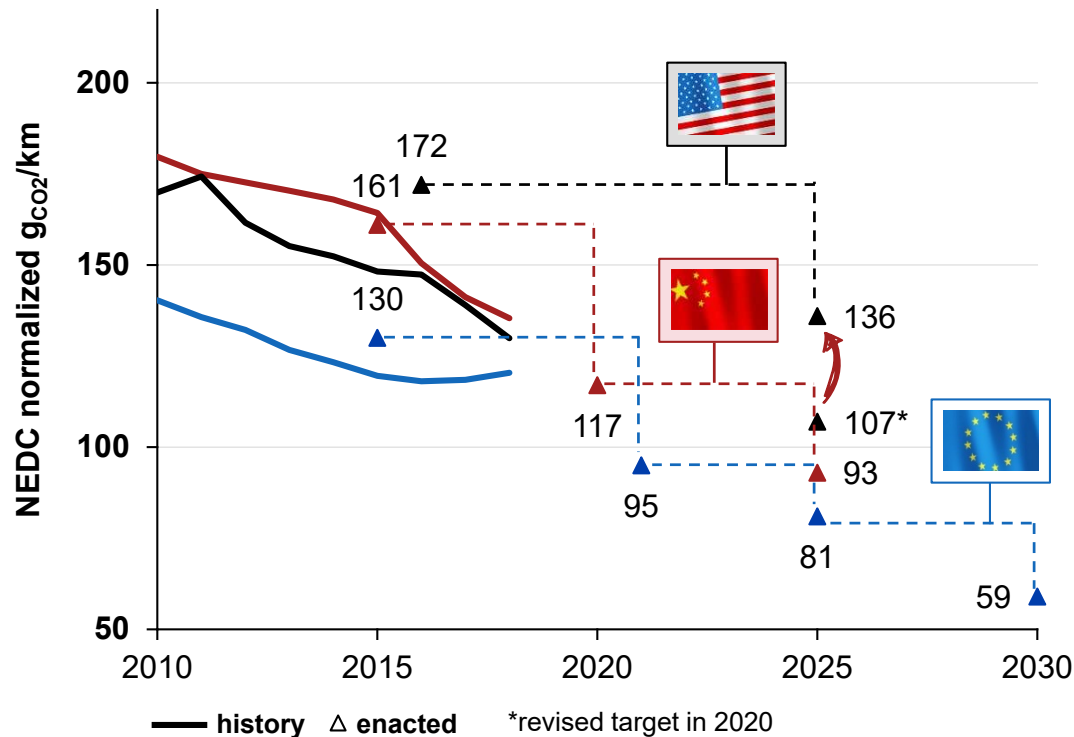
1) CARB – Californian air resource board 2) NEV – New Energy Vehicle
Source: Autodata analysis, IHS Markit

In order to achieve the 2030 fleet targets, an electrified vehicle share of ca. 35% to 45% xEV (BEV, PHEV) is required

Legislative trends – CO₂ fleet targets and xEV effect

International CO₂ fleet targets

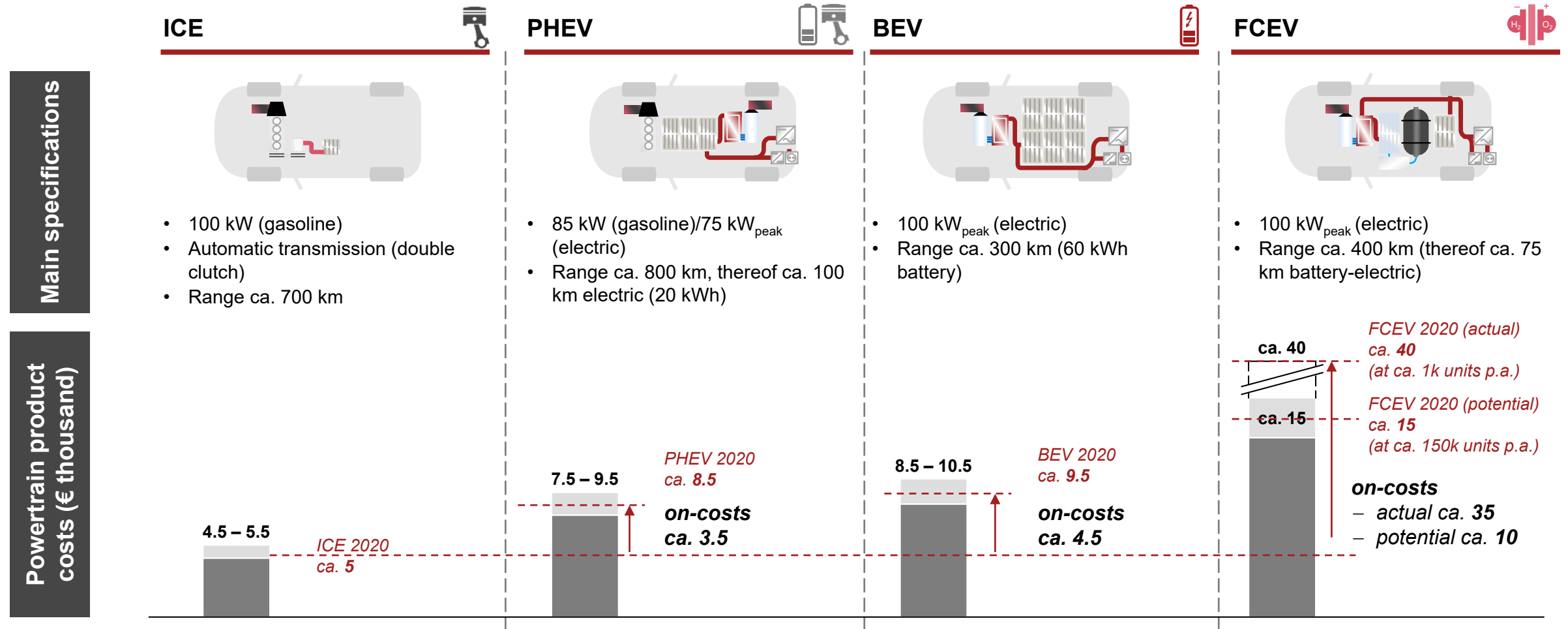
Effect of xEV on fleet emissions^{1,2)}



1) As for volume manufacturers (>300 thousand units p.a.) 2) Super credits not shown, due to discontinuation after 2022 3) Additional weight of BEV taken into account
4) Based on WLTP utility factor
Sources: <https://theicct.org/chart-library-passenger-vehicle-fuel-economy>, Strategy& analysis

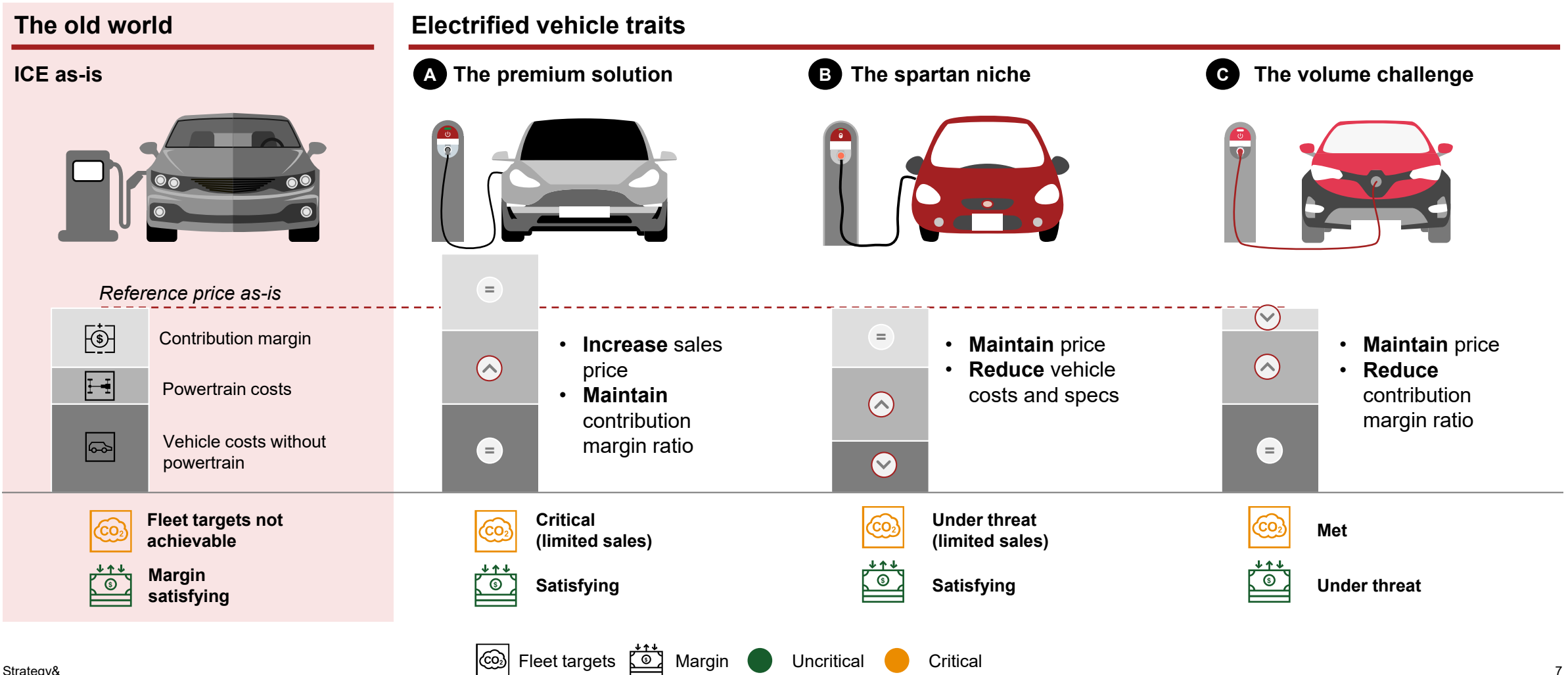
Electrified vehicles (xEV) come with higher product costs – ca. 3500 € ... 10000 € vs. an ICE

On-costs of alternative powertrains (€ thousand, 2020)



Due to increased product costs with limited price potential, contribution margins are decreasing and profitability is under threat

Electrified vehicle profitability



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How powertrain technology and costs evolve

The battery cells comprise most of the BEV powertrain costs – a closer look at its value chain is imperative

Enable value chain optimization: Significance of battery and cell costs for BEV

Typical cost breakdown BEV powertrain

OEM production costs 2020, 60kWh/100kW, volume class
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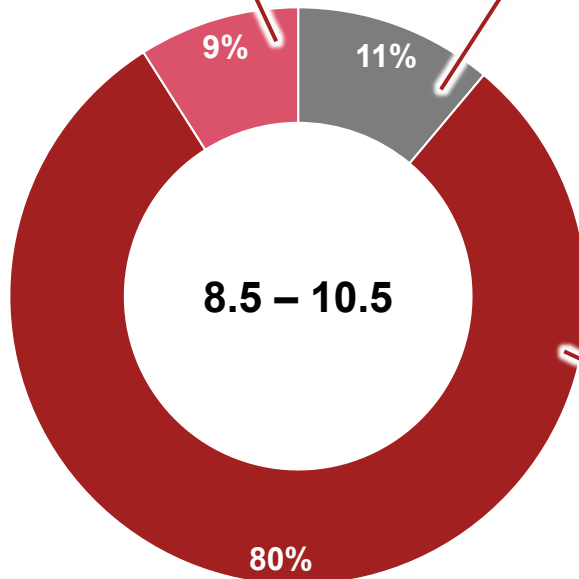
- Inverter
- Electric motor
- Gearbox

HV system and auxiliaries

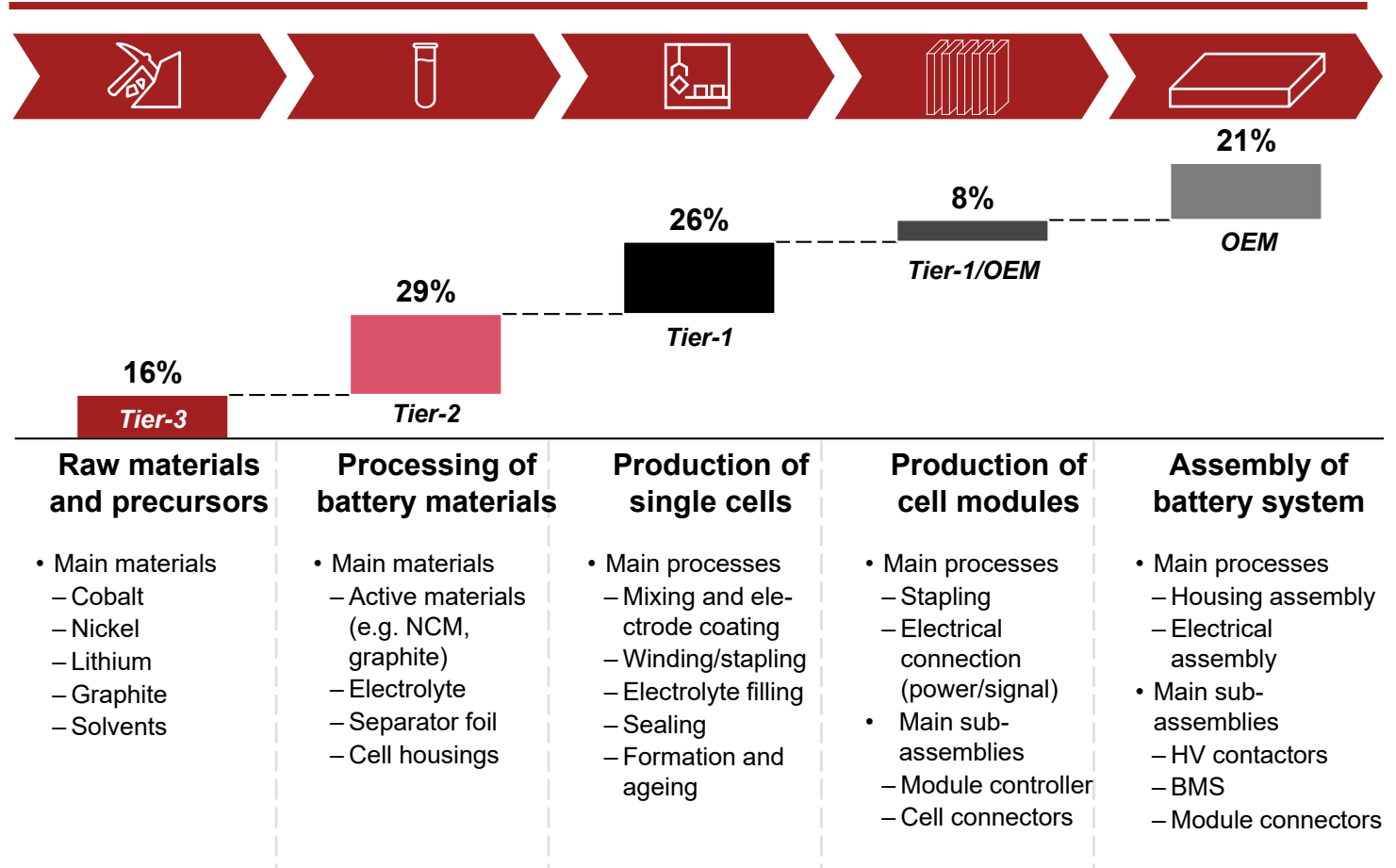
- HV wiring
- LV-DCDC converter
- On-board charger
- HV heater

Battery system

- Cells
- Wiring
- Fuses and contactors
- Cooling
- Housing



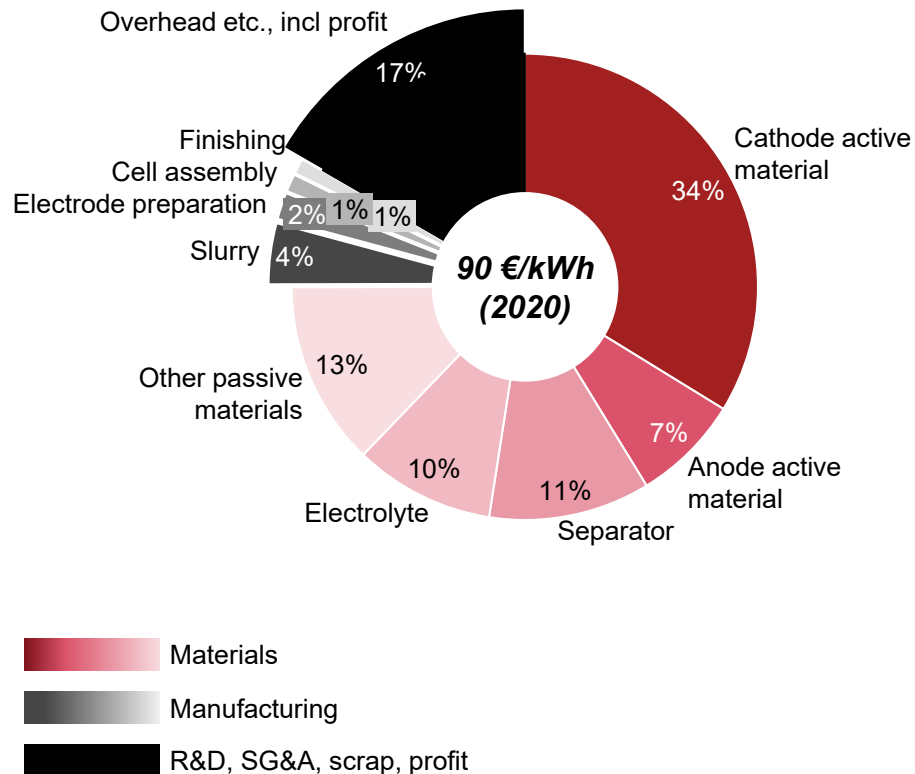
Automotive battery value chain and value share



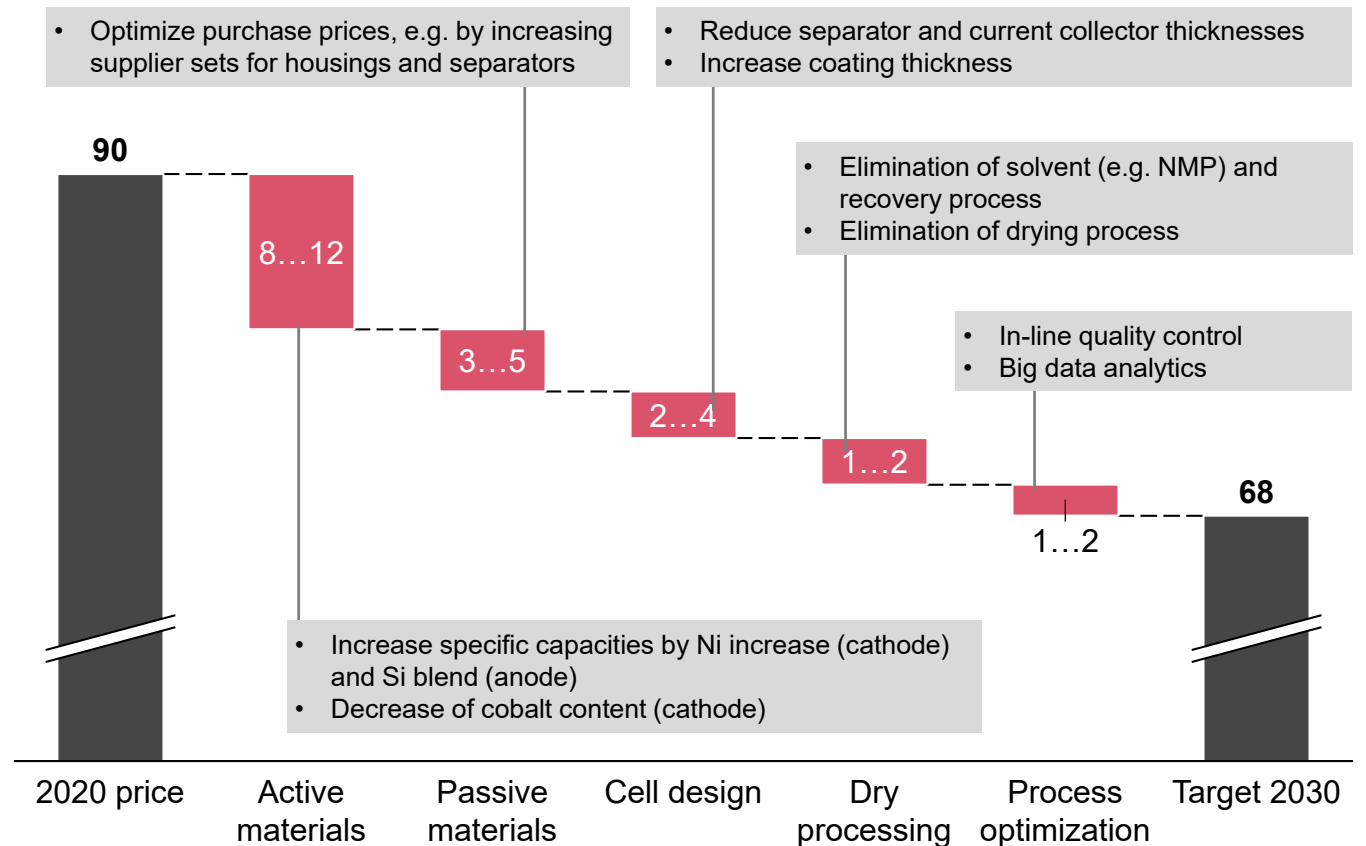
Depending on realization of optimization we see a decline from 90 to 68 €/kWh for large automotive battery cells

Battery cell prices and optimization

Cell price breakdown (2020)

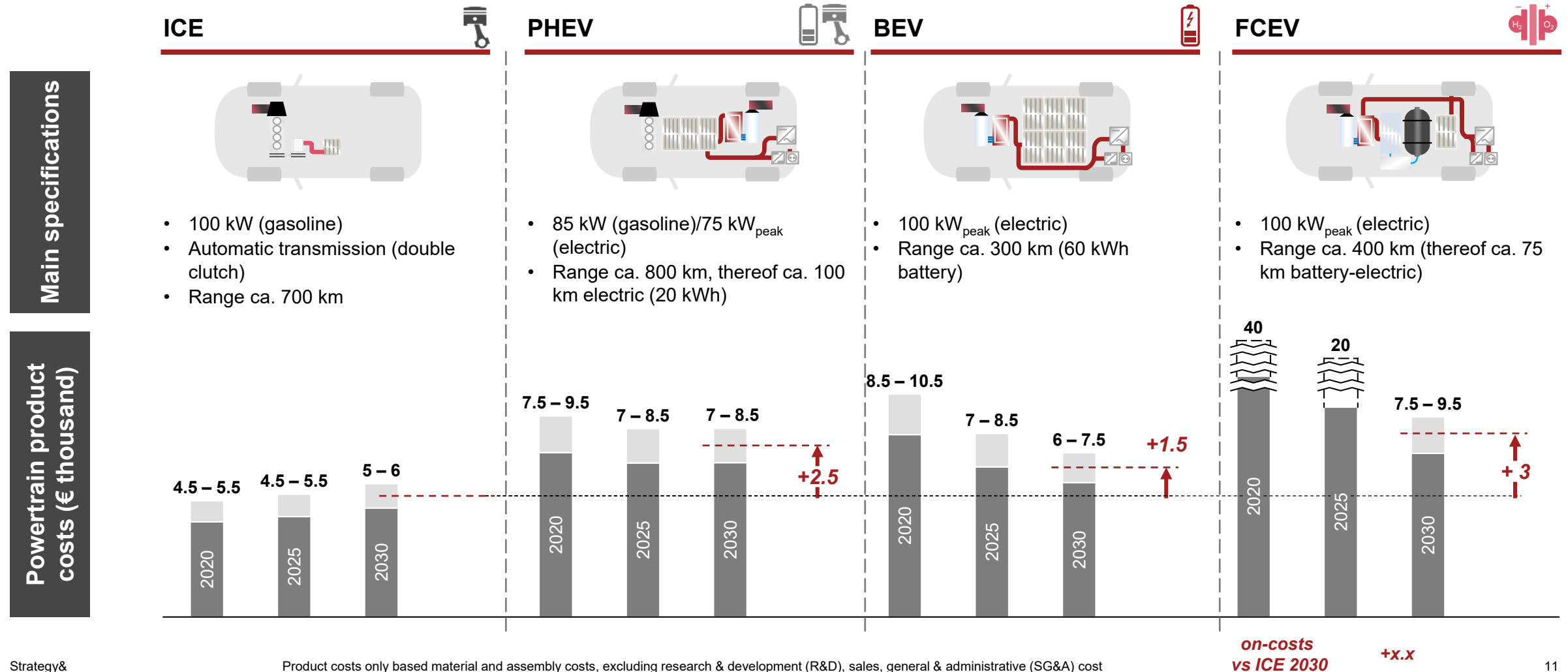


Cell prices and selected optimization measures till 2030 (€/kWh)



As a result of cost reductions for new technologies, we expect on-costs to reduce to ca. 1500 to 3000 € in 2030

On-costs of alternative powertrains (€ thousand, 2020...2030)



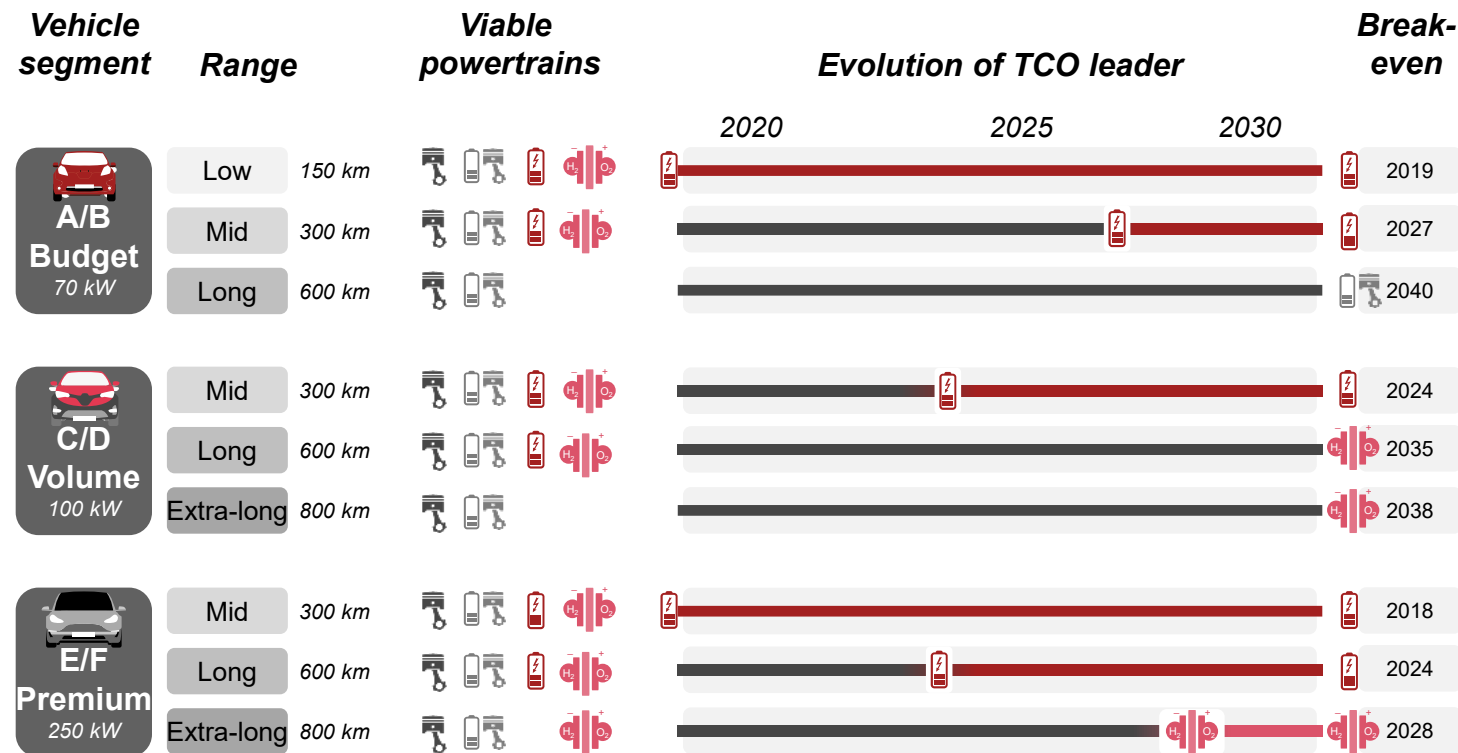
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Economics of selected vehicle/powertrain combinations

Parameters

Most economical solution

Key findings



- The often described “turning point” when **BEVs** become more **economic** than ICEs is **not a discrete point in time** – it **depends** largely on vehicle **segment**, **power**, and **range** (battery size)
- Economics of BEV** compared to ICE is **promoted** by two main **parameters**
 - Low range** requirements and small batteries, explaining favorable BEV TCO for **A/B low range** segment
 - Moderate on-costs for **high power** electric drives, explaining favorable BEV TCO in **premium segment**
- Real **long-range** capability of **BEVs** is technically **limited**, only **PHEV** and **FCEV** are alternatives for real-life long-range

Main assumptions: electricity and fuel prices as for Germany 2020; H2 price 5€/kg; PHEV driving modes 40% EV mode / 60% ICE mode; FCEV driving modes 40% EV mode/ 60% FC mode
One-time buying incentives not considered

A background image featuring a bokeh effect of out-of-focus city lights in warm yellow, orange, and red tones, with some cooler blue and green lights visible in the lower half. The lights are scattered across the frame, creating a sense of depth and a vibrant, urban atmosphere.

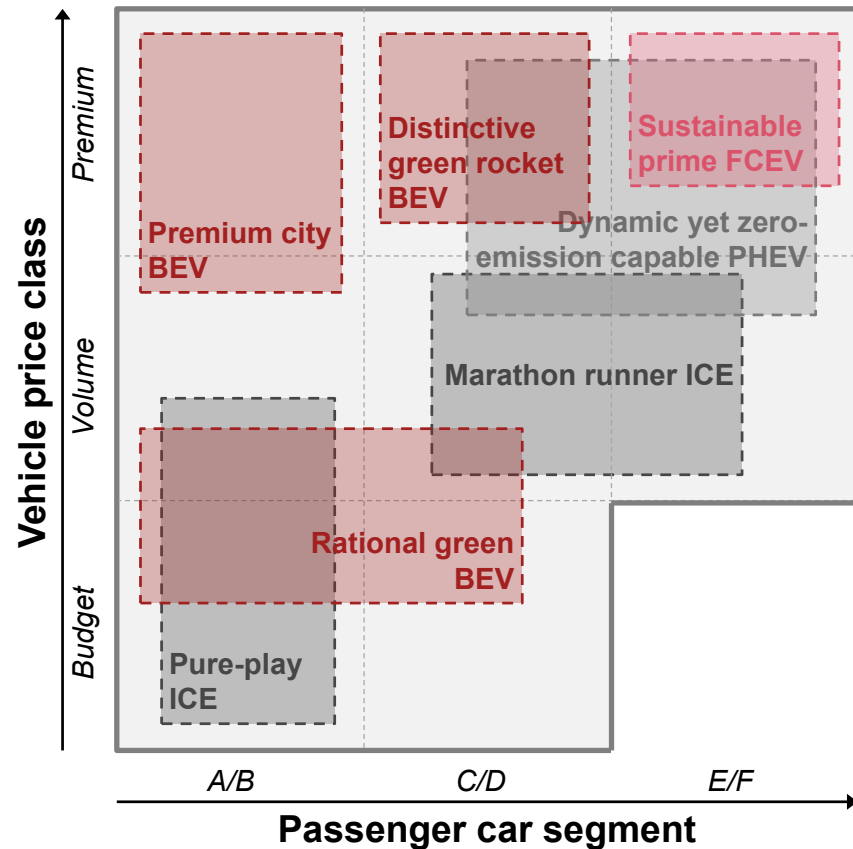
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How to reshape powertrain portfolio and core capabilities

The specific powertrain features should be shaped along the customer value proposition within the vehicle portfolio

Dominant powertrains and archetypes 2030

Dominant powertrain types



Powertrain archetypes



Pure-play ICE

- Driving dynamics and comfort weaker than for electrified drives
- Low-cost economic
- Independent of weak infrastructure

Marathon runner ICE

- Driving dynamics and comfort weaker than for electrified drives
- Allrounder with long-range capability



Dynamic yet zero-emission capable PHEV

- High driving dynamics through high torque electric motor without clutch and gear shifts
- Urban distances via electric motor/battery green and silent
- Highly flexible with long-range capable ICE



Rational green BEV

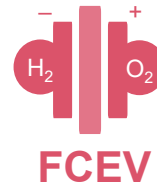
- Low-cost and green
- Orientated to actual required everyday range

Premium city BEV

- Highly dynamic and green
- Range for use in urban area only

Distinctive green rocket BEV

- Highly dynamic and green
- Range up to technical maximum



Sustainable prime FCEV

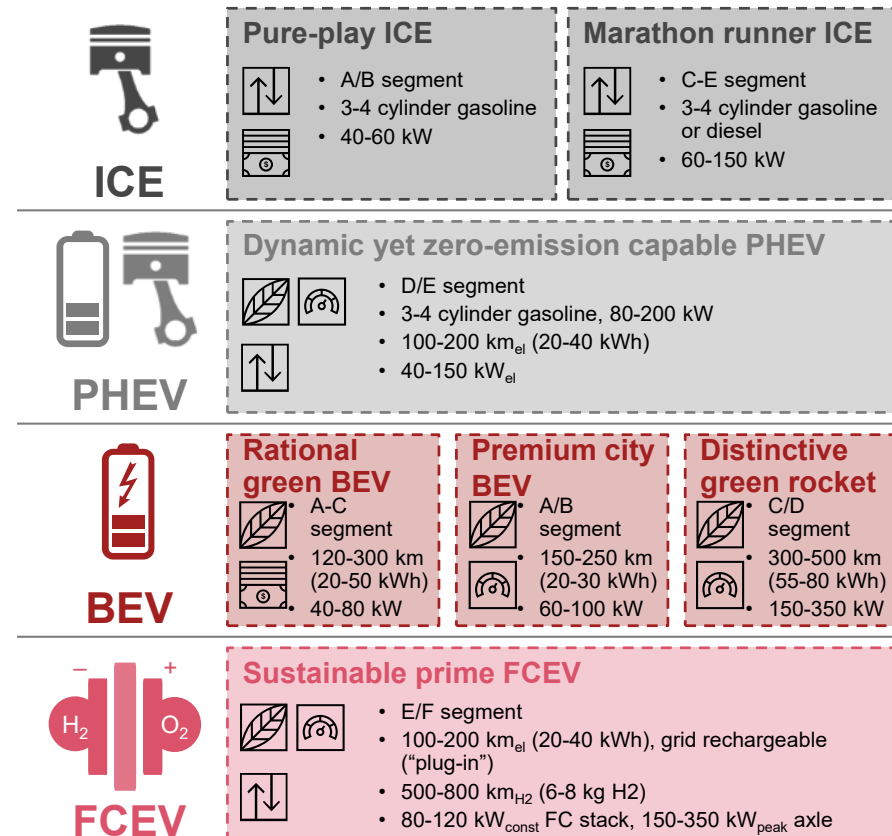
- Highly dynamic and green
- Grid rechargeable battery for short distance use and easy daily slow refill
- Long-range and fast refill capability with fuel cell
- High price but "zero constraints" and maximal flexibility



Development focus should be based on the future expectation of relevant powertrain features

Powertrain features and development focus

Mainstream powertrain configurations



Implications on component strategy

- **Top-dynamic** powertrains offered **mainly as BEV/PHEV**
- Further **ICE downsizing**, **>4 cylinders** only for niches
- **Diesel** only in **4-cylinder 150...200 kW** segment
- **Increase of electric power**, **decrease of ICE power/dynamics**, **minim complex transmission**
- **3-4 cylinder engines**, mainly **gasoline**
- **Manifold injection** and **non-turbocharged engines** at **lower power end**
- Scalable **battery** system architecture with high degree of **commonality** on **cell/module level**
- **Power scaling** up to ca. **150 kW..200 kW** on **single axle**, above mainly via **2nd axle (4WD)**
- Sustainable full product lifecycle (cradle-to-grave)
- **Distinctive high range** required, well above BEV, i.e. **>5 kg H₂**
- **"Plug-in"** with grid rechargeable **battery** for flexibility and low-cost home/workplace charging
- **FC** operated mainly as **"range extender"**

Recommendation

*Reduce variants and revise **core competencies** for **powertrains** and **sub-components***



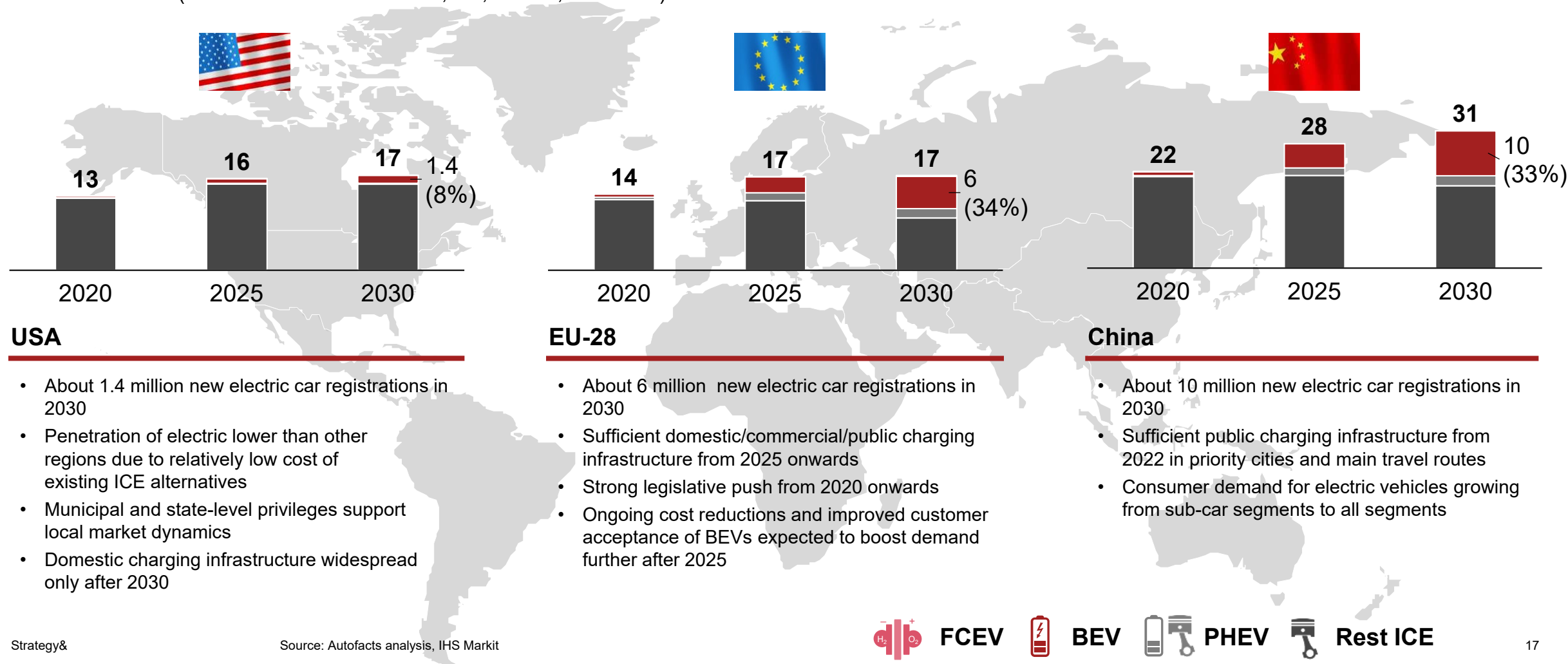
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Implications and recommendations

Electric vehicle sales boosted by legislation in China and EU

Market outlook to 2030

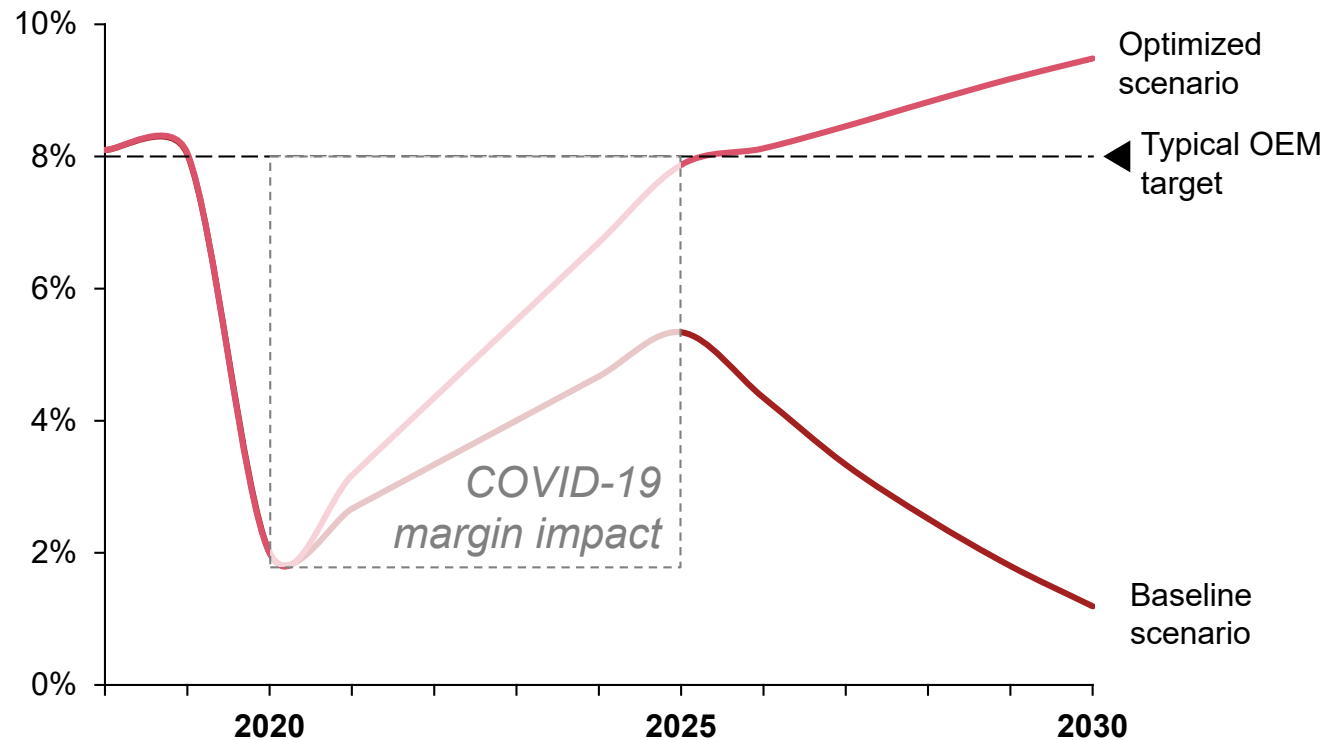
Electric vehicles (total new vehicle sales – US, EU, CHINA; in millions)



Cost increases induced by powertrain technology shift threaten margins and profitability in the next decade

Next decade revenue and cost projection

OEM margin projection



Implications

Baseline scenario:

- **OEM costs** are **increased** by electrified vehicles, while **price increases are limited** and add-on costs aren't fully covered
- **Critical situation** for most **traditional market players** is expected after **2024/25**, when **xEV sales** become more **significant**

Optimized scenario avoid critical situation is

- **Reduce product costs** for next **powertrain platforms**
- **Reshape portfolio** to optimize **customer perceived value** and **increase willingness to pay** for alternative powertrains

We would be happy to discuss our study with you



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