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# **HYBRID TRACTION**

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# 1. Context and SNCF energy strategy



# TRACTION ENERGY CONSUMPTION



**16,9** TWh

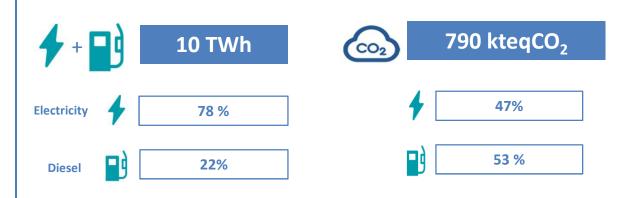
**SNCF** energy consumption in 2015

# 1<sup>st</sup>

SNCF is the biggest industrial energy consumer in France with 10% of the industrial energy consumption and 3% of total national consumption.

# 60%

Of total energy consumption is used for traction



53 %

of all emissions are from diesel traction though it represents only 22% of the consumption.

SNCF Energy Strategy + 20% ENERGY PERFORMANCE
Targets 2015-2025 + 25% CARBON PERFORMANCE





# 2. HYBRIDISATION, A SOLUTION

Among others ...



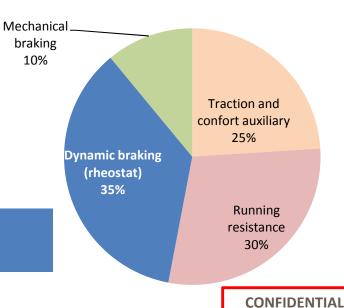
# HYBRIDISATION, AS ONE SOLUTION

#### **ENERGY LOSSES DUE TO BRAKING**

SNCF made an energy diagnostic on its rolling stock : measurement on 28 000 km travelled by bi-modes DEMU "Régiolis" (commuter trains)



Distribution of energy consumption (Diesel and 1,5 kV mode)



First energy-saving potential : recover dynamic braking 30 to 60 M€ energy loss per year

## HYBRIDISATION AS A SOLUTION

#### RECOVERING AND USING BRAKING ENERGY

#### **CONCEPT OF HYBRIDISATION**

- > Installation of on-board storage capacities to recover the braking energy
- > Energy storage is a new energy source on board, that can be used for all energy needs of the train
- > This energy can be used in combination with diesel or catenary power



#### **OBJECTIVES**

- > Cut down fuel consumption and greenhouse gas emissions
- > Reduce operating cost : fuel, electricity and diesel engine maintenance
- > Provide on-board new services

Hybridisation of Diesel trains: first step on the way to low carbon emissions



# SERVICES OF HYBRIDISATION NEW FUNCTIONS AND SERVICES TO DEVELOP

#### **ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY TRANSITION**











#### **INNOVATING SERVICES**



**INCREASE OF OPERATING PERFORMANCE** 



**Traction boost** 



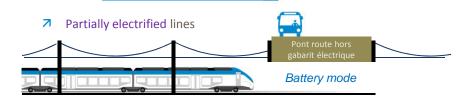
Comfort services (HVAC, light) in case of disturbances



Zero emission traction inside cities



**RECONSIDERING TRACTION ENERGY SUPPLY** 







# SERVICES OF HYBRIDISATION

#### **GAINS TARGETED**



-20 % energy consumption



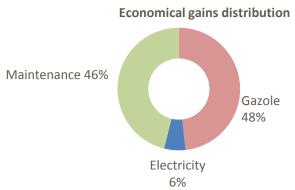
**-30 to -50%** diesel motor maintenance cost (by reduction of number of motors)

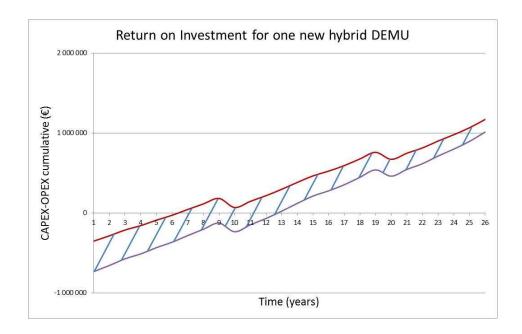


noise reduction up to -6 dB in station



-20% greenhouse gas emissions









# HYBRIDISATION AS A SOLUTION FLOWS OF ENERGY

#### **CHARGING THE BATTERY**

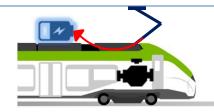
1. Recover dynamic electric braking energy



2. Use diesel motor at its best performance



3. Use the catenary: low cost and pollution energy



# HYBRIDISATION AS A SOLUTION

#### **FLOWS OF ENERGY**

#### **USING THE POWER OF BATTERY**

#### 1. In combination with diesel motor:

- Normal hybrid traction
- Boost mode

#### 2. Battery only mode

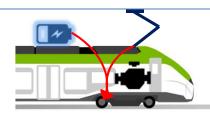
- Arriving and leaving station
- During stop in station
- o In case of lack of power on catenary
- Crossing non-electrified section
- In maintenance facility

#### 3. In combination with catenary

Boost mode with low catenary voltage











# 3. CHALLENGES

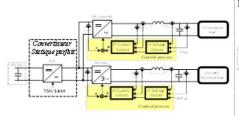


# **DEVELOPMENT OF HYBRIDISATION**

#### **CHALLENGES**

#### **DIGITAL SIMULATION WERE MADE TO**

- Choose the right technology: Li-ion batteries, Lithium Capacitor Flywheels, Supercapacities
- > Size the capacity and the power of the storage
- > Elaborate the on-board energy management in order to optim gains and costs



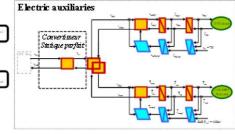
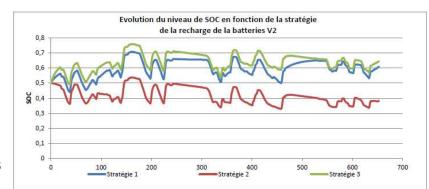


Schéma fonctionnel du circuit des auxiliaires

REM du circuit auxiliaires

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

- > Energy gains are dependent of the route operated
- > Best compromise is Li-ion batteries
- > Sizing and energy management need further works :
  - On-going thesis with SNCF to optimize all parameters
  - Need to experiment in real conditions as simulation requires validation





# **DEVELOPMENT OF HYBRIDISATION**

#### **CHALLENGES**

#### **SAFETY**

Li-ion batteries bring new risks:

- > Permanent energy:
  - o operators protection needed (electrical switching devices, ...)
- > Fire, explosion :
  - o cells temperature control with high safety standard needed (BMS)
  - o constructive features : safety valve on cells, confined box if necessary

First safety analyses have started: European Common Safety Methods for risk assessment will be applied

#### **FINANCIAL CHALLENGES**

- > Hybridisation of an existing train remain an expensive project
- > Energy cost and carbon tax are still relatively low
- > Value of new services brought by hybridisation is not easy to evaluate
- > Search for financing is a long work ...





# 4. Roadmap



# INNOVATION ROADMAP

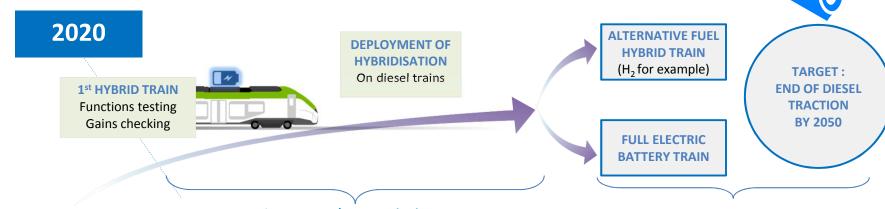
#### ROADMAP FOR HYBRIDISATION

First step (medium-term): Reach the goals of SNCF energy strategy by deployment of an hybridisation solution

- ⇒ Implies that the solution must be technically and economically realistic and mature
- ⇒ Target the regional Diesel-electric fleet of SNCF (up to 700 DEMU)

In the long-term: Prepare the substitution of diesel fuel by new energy sources

⇒ Hybridisation and on-board energy storage : a useful first step



Lower carbon emissions Lower energy consumption

Very low carbon emissions





# INNOVATION ROADMAP

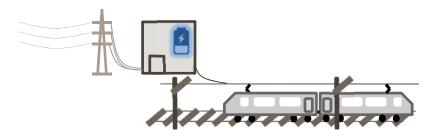
#### HYBRIDISATION MAY NOT BE A UNIVERSAL SOLUTION

At this stage, energy storage appear more relevant :

> On-board, in trains, on non-electrified lines or partially electrified lines



> Static, in electric substation, on electrified lines, as it offer its services for all trains on the line





# INNOVATION ROADMAP

ROADS TO LARGE SCALE LOW CARBON ENERGY SYSTEM

# BATTERY TRAIN + CATENARY CHARGING

NEW ENERGY ON BOARD

### **Energy sources**

- Production techno & cost
- Distribution infrastructure techno & cost

# ✓ Already existing

- ✓ Mastered by railways
- ? Climate change adaptation
  - ? Cost evolution

# Work on progress

## On board generators

- Reliability, safety & costs
- Performances

- ✓ Existing for cars, busses, trams, trains
  - ✓ Lower costs expected
- **✗** Industrial rail-products

Work on progress

## **Circular economy**

- Reuse (2<sup>nd</sup> life), Recycle
- Natural resources depletion

Work on progress

Work on progress

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