Energy Informatics: overview

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Learning Objectives

Throughout this lecture, it is aimed for the students to be able to understand:



Energy Informatics: concept

Learn the basic concepts in the new field of Energy Informatics



Electric Vehicles: an example

Understand the emerging ICT (Information & Communication Technologies) challenges related to electric vehicles as an example



More scenarios

Understand ICT problems in related scenarios through examples, including sharing economy, smart buildings, renewable energy systems, intelligent transport, and smart city

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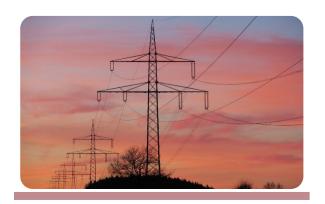
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Power Market: The Green revolution and the role of ICT

Statnett

Statnett: Statnett is Norway's national main grid owner and operator

Outline







Energy Informatics

Concept

Scope

Vision

Electric Vehicles

Concepts ICT problems

More scenarios

Sharing economy, smart buildings, renewable energy sources, intelligent transport, smart cities

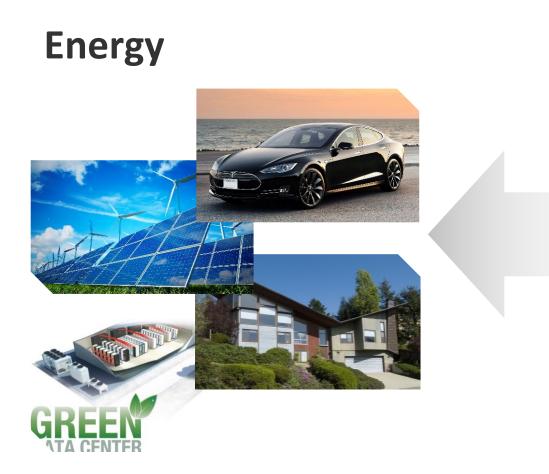


ENERGY INFORMATICS: CONCEPT

"Energy Informatics" is **NOT** about the traditional concepts

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"Energy Informatics" focuses on state-of-the-art computer science for sustainable future energy systems



Informatics



Energy Informatics alternative terms: Internet of energy; Energy Internet



Energy Informatics: definition



A new field covering the use of ICT (Information and Communication Technology) to address energy challenges

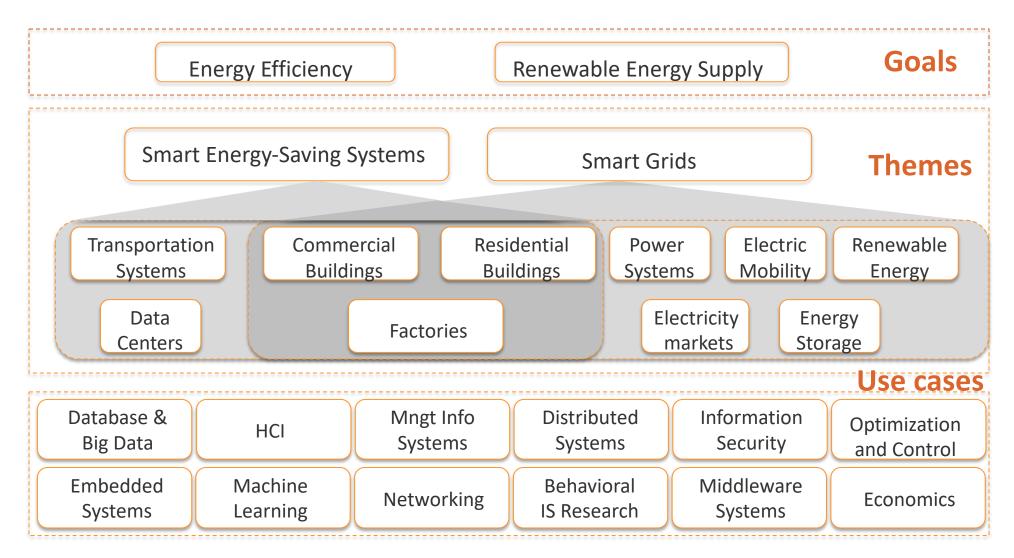


Energy Areas

- Smart grid; smart energy networks
- Smart building
- Smart cities
- Water systems
- Oil/Gas systems
- Transport systems,
- Electric vehicles
- Vehicle-to-Grid (V2G) systems
- PV systems
- Wind systems



Energy informatics: scope



Etter Goebel et al, Energy Informatics: Current and Future Research Directions, 2013



ELECTRIC VEHICLES AS AN EXAMPLE

Electric Vehicles (EVs)

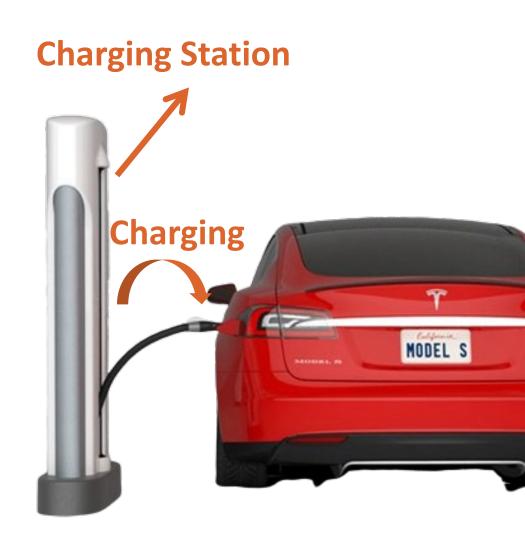


Electric Vehicles domains

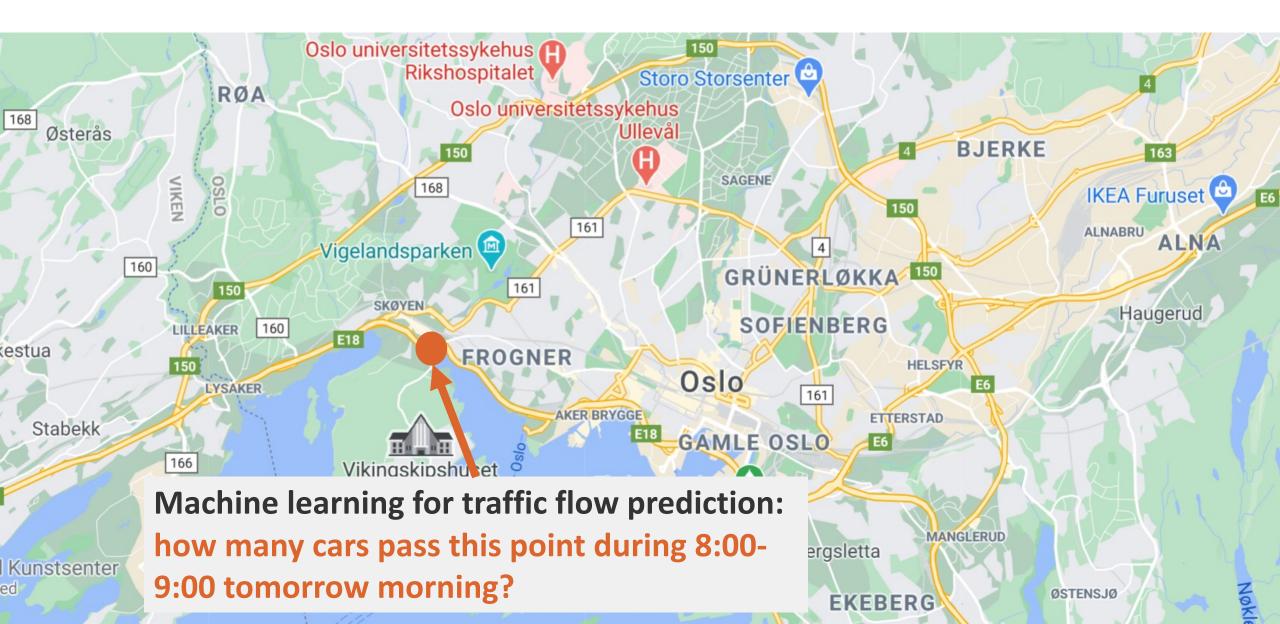
- Energy domain: power charging
- Information domain: information exchange between EVs and charging station
- Transport domain: running on the road

Electric Vehicles roles

- Energy consumer
- Energy storage
- Energy provider



An important computer engineering "traffic flow" problem



In 10-15 years, only Electric Vehicle will be sold over the world



Electric Vehicles in the future

- Norway: Stoppe salg bensin- og dieselbiler by 2025
- Germany: all new cars must be electric by 2030
- China: all private cars will be electric vehicles by 2030

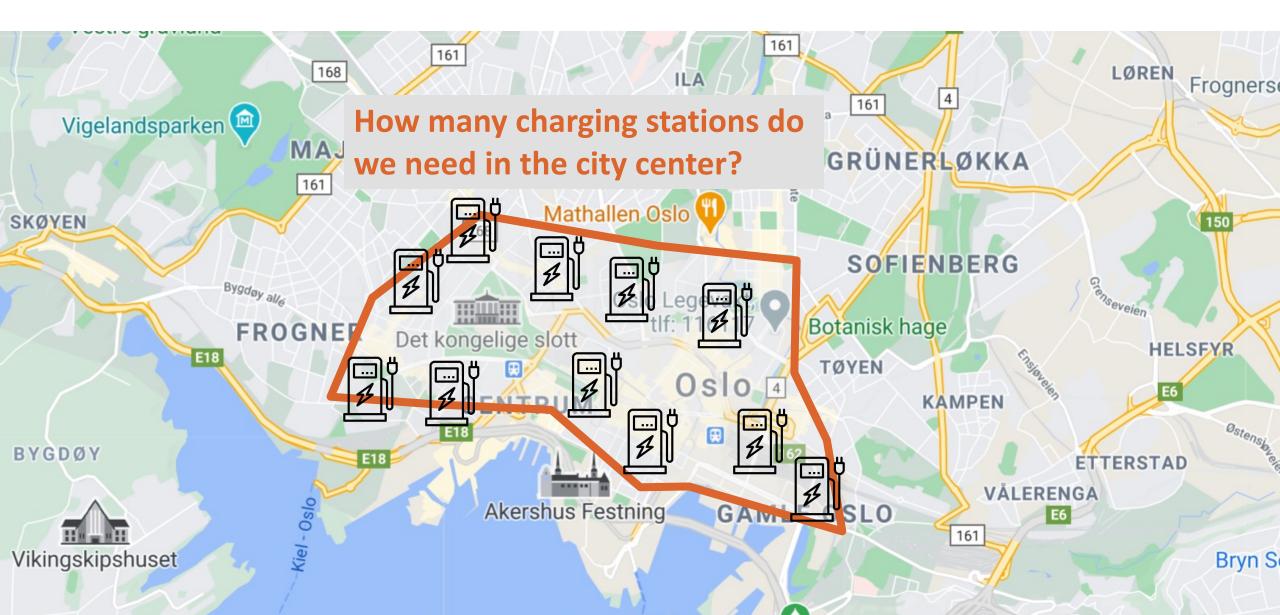




10月12日,据路透社报道,周二麦肯锡与彭博新能源财经发布报告称,预计 到2030年,在伦敦和新加坡这样的大城市,电动汽车将成为主流,在所有行驶



An important computer engineering "urban planning" problem



Another problem: how to protect your privacy?

Tesla's Autopilot

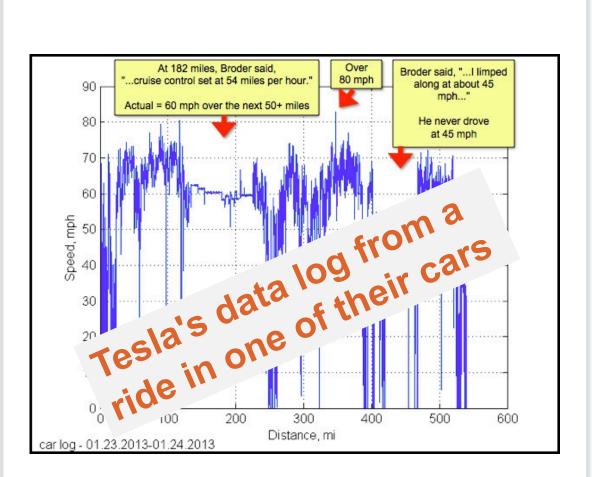


- Self-driving cars, Tesla's autopilot is the future
- Q: how does Tesla's autopilot system build? "Tesla's sensors are constantly recording information about its environment and how the driver is navigating through it." (qz.com)

Privacy



- Typical privacy intrusion of modern digital life.
- EU GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation): July 8, 2019, British Airline faces 183Million GBP fines





MORE ICT CHALLENGES IN ENERGY SECTORS

Sharing Economics: Selling your power to neighbors (I/II)



- Brooklyn Microgrid: In your house roof, you have solar power. The power can be used by yourself. If you are not able to use all power, you can sell to your neighbors, e.g., Mr.&Mrs Smith and their 6 kids.
- A typical computer engineering problem: how to decide the energy selling/buying price?

Sharing Economics: Selling your power to neighbors (II/II)



- Energy Peer-to-Peer (P2P) Sharing Networks: Each person can buy/sell energy from her/his neighborhood.
- Very similar as P2P networks in Internet that share information/data/movie

Energy Sharing: Selling your power to neighbors in Norway

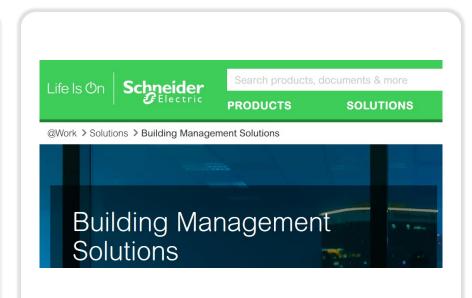


• Halden: a small town at the border between Norway and Sweden

Smart Buildings



- A computer has an operation system, e.g., Windows, iOS
- Smart building has its own "Operation Systems" to monitor and management the infrastructure
- A typical computer engineering problem: how to adjust the temperature in the building with both energy-efficiency and people's comfort considerations? → machine learning method is very promising!



Self-driving Cars and Intelligent Transport Systems

Transport systems use power



- Electric vehicles
- Signal
- Road infrastructures

Computer science problems



- Real-time information exchange for accident avoidance
- Information exchange for power management



Wind Power becomes a strategic development in Norway

- Equinor (originally Statoil) puts enormous investment in offshore wind power, e.g., in Hywind Scotland. Wind power is highly dependent on weather.
- Machine learning and Data Analytics for wind power forecast is an important computer science problem



