MAHLE Powertrain Electrification Services

MAHLE Powertrain has significant experience in a broad spectrum of electrification technologies from the detailed simulation of total system energy flow and thermal energy management to the design of high performance eMotors, eDrive systems, battery packs and EV cooling systems.

We provide extensive support for the development of low and high voltage electrical system architecture and proven capabilities in the design and optimisation of integrated systems and whole vehicle control systems.

- Battery pack design, build & test
- eMotor design, development & test
- Control strategy development
- Control hardware (prototype and production)
- Whole vehicle system integration

System Architecture

A critical question in the early design stages of an electrified vehicle is the selection of appropriate system architecture best suited to the vehicle application. Consideration must be given to the target parameters for performance, fuel economy and emissions, package constraints, cost and weight as well as specific requirements for the vehicle usage and the market or region where the vehicle will be sold.
High Power DC Supply

Electrification involves the introduction of a high power DC supply (e.g., battery or fuel cell) to either supplement or completely replace the conventional IC engine. Electrification can be achieved in many ways, from a simple belt-driven starter generator (P0) to a full battery electric vehicle with electric motors driving the wheels directly (P4). The challenge facing the whole industry is to design and develop electrical systems which are capable of delivering significant vehicle efficiency benefits, within reasonable constraints of cost, weight, package space, reliability and safety.

Test Facilities

New in-house facilities are now available for the characterisation and development testing of electrification systems. Battery cells and modules can be tested and characterised in a dedicated chamber incorporating all necessary measurement, data gathering and safety systems. Prototype eMotors and generators can be stripped, measured and instrumented prior to dynamic testing on a bespoke rig and the results can be evaluated against an extensive characterisation database.