

Implicit Demand-Side Response in EV Modelling for Strategic Energy Planning: Assumptions, Technical Limits and Policy Implications

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Extended Abstract

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Abstract Summary

Accurate representation of implicit demand-side response (iDSR) from the transportation sector is increasingly critical in power system planning. This study analyses how different official planning processes treat iDSR from electric vehicles (EVs), doing a case study for assumptions used in the Austrian Network Infrastructure Plan process (ÖNIP), the Austrian component of the Ten-Year Network Development Plan 2024 (TYNDP 2024), and the European Resource Adequacy Assessment 2025 (ERAA 2025) were compared to a probabilistic, behavior-based EV model. The objective is to highlight the technical limits of flexibility from EVs, quantify the sensitivity of modelling assumptions, and derive implications for policy instruments such as capacity mechanisms and the Flexibility Needs Assessment (FNA)

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