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## DC FAST Charging: Who? When? Why?

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#### DC Fast Motivations and Modeling Approaches

#### **Motivations:**

- Long trips / corridor charging
- MUD and others without home charging
- Incidental

#### Modeling Approach:

- Housing Density
- Corridors long trips
- Coverage



### Corridor Coverage model

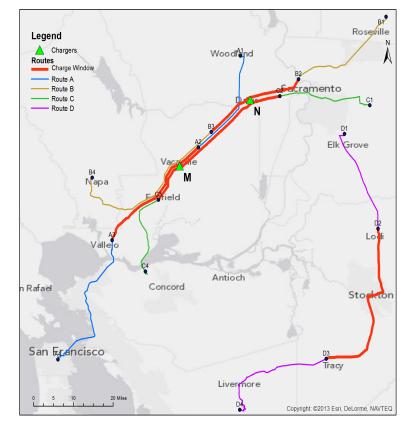
# Charge Window Illustration



Figure 12. Interstate corridor network (thick red lines) considered in this analysis (70-mile radius red buffer approximates areas that would be served by the proposed DCFC network). Included for reference: yellow polygons represent cities, purple points represent towns, and thin black lines represent the national highway system.

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Wood et al. 2017



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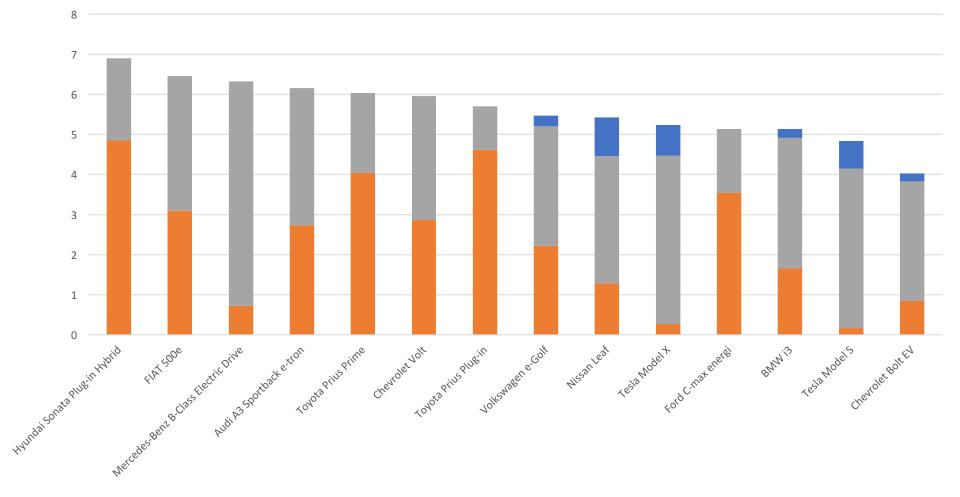
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# The charging story 2017

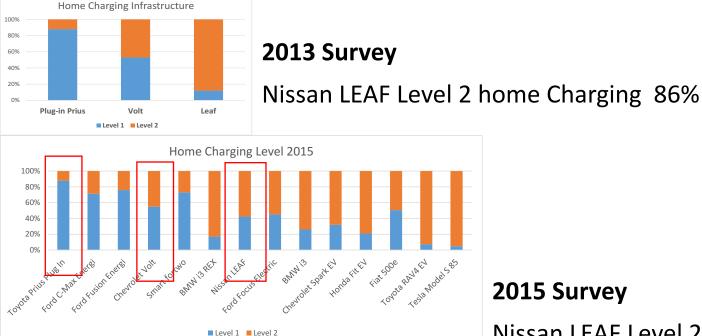
Home >>>work>>>Public

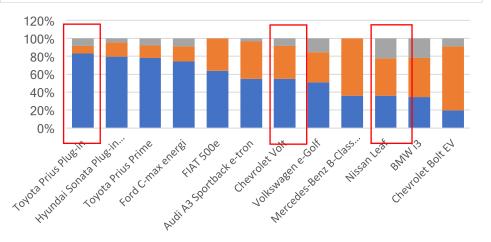
## How often do PEV drivers charge?

Charging event per week



## Home Charging 2013-2017





Nissan LEAF Level 2 home Charging 60%

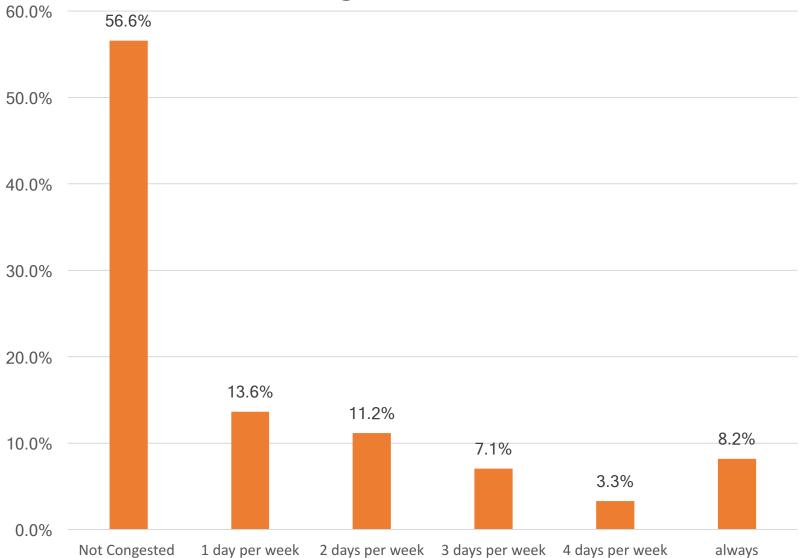
■ No Home Charging

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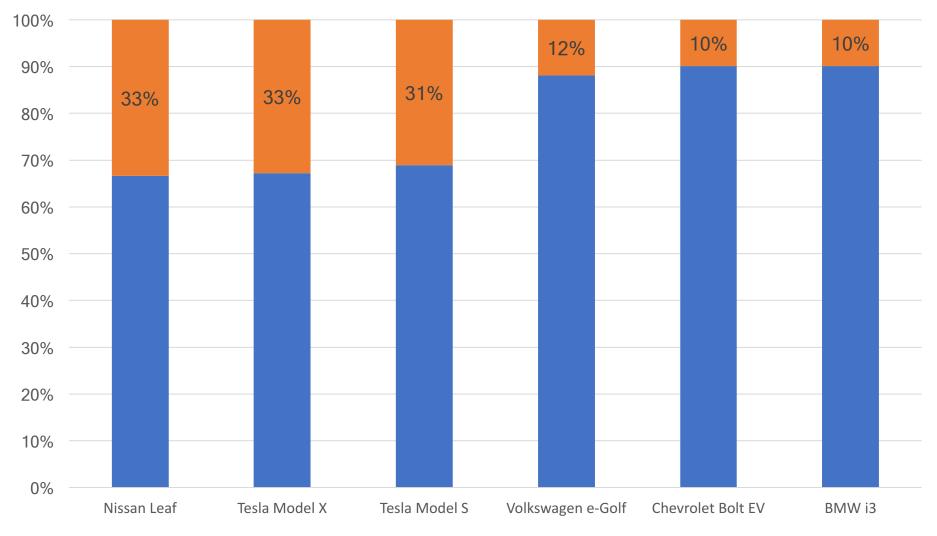
### **2017** Survey

Nissan LEAF Level 2 home Charging<sup>6</sup> 42%

# About half have workplace charging, but is it congested?



## Who is using DC Fast?



No Yes

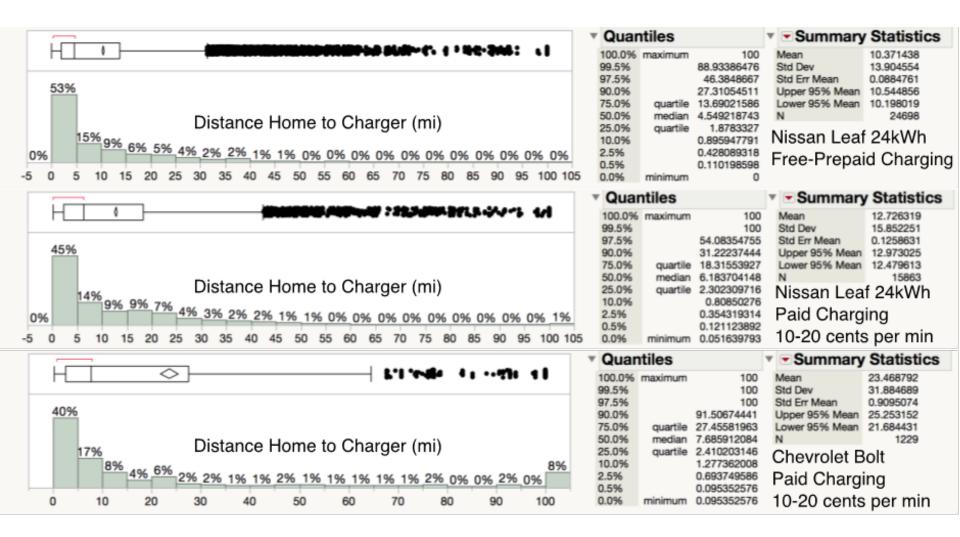
# How often do drivers use DC fast?

- About 60% not using DCFC at all
- Many users did less than 2 events after signing for a provider
- 10-15% are "regular users" N>2

		Mean		<u>Median</u>	
Make model	N	Free	Paid	Free	Paid
BMW i3	473	21	24	6	14
CHE SPARK	251		27		16
KIA SOUL	284		35		19
NISSAN LEAF	7716	29	36	15	19
VW Golf	217		33	0	19

Days between charging events for N>2

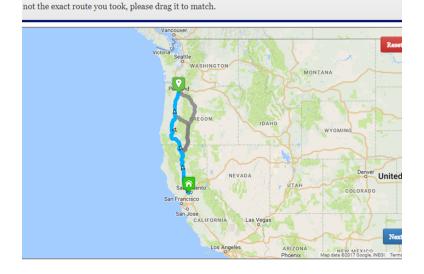
## Most usage happens near home



# BEVs and Long Road Trips: It's not about miles per day

- The longest road trip per year takes more then 5 days over 700 miles and in half the trips have more than 2 passengers in the car
- BEV households use other cars for the <sup>12 months:</sup>
  task
- Bigger vehicles
- AWD vehicles
- Rentals
- Or a Tesla if they have one.

is below to indicate the route your household took on its longe 12 months:



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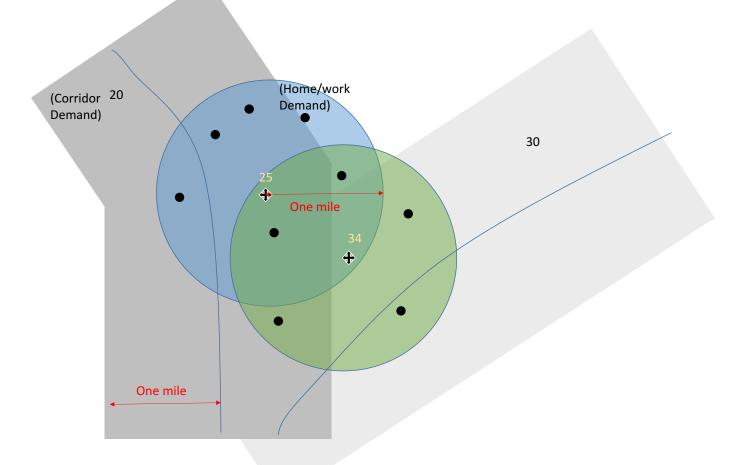
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# Modeling DCFC

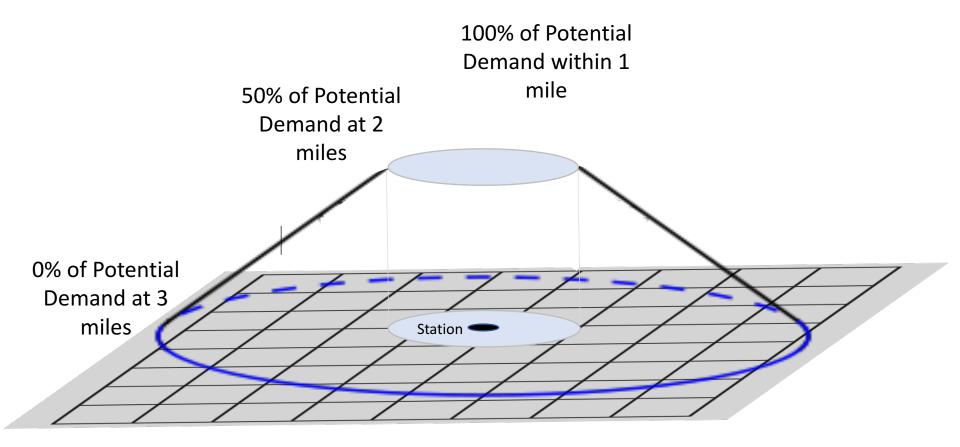
## UC Davis EV Toolbox Modules

- Market tool (PEV owners home location by vehicle type)
- Workplace tool (PEV owners commute pattern and the derived demand for Charging)
- Corridor tool (estimating the demand for DC fast charging from long trips)
- Shared mobility (Adding shared mobility demand to home and work modules)
- Demand output (combined demand by location in terms of kwh and charging events)
- Charge Cost (estimating demand charges and per kwh cost per location)

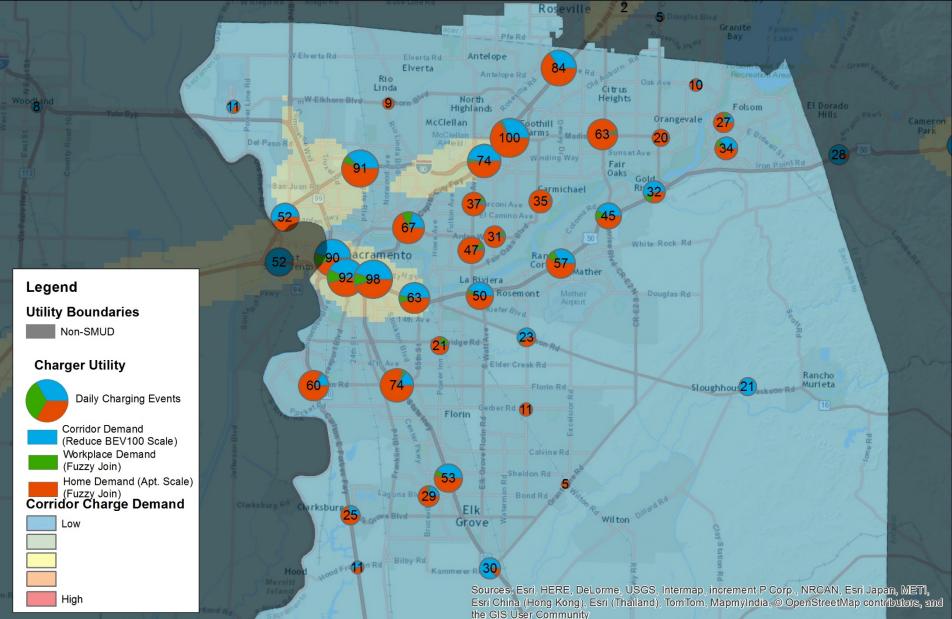
Demand is a combination of all 3 sources of demand (corridor, home and work)



Graduated Demand Allocation. Potential Demand Drops Gradually with Distance with different sensitivity for home and work replacement



#### Demand Scenario: 2025 with Low Corr. Demand for BEV 80. 1.5 Million vehicles.



Nobody goes there anymore. It's too crowded

- DCFC is being used mostly within the vehicle range
  - Not expected to change
  - Pricing has a major impact
- We don't know who is not using the chargers
  - But we know it's not <u>dependable</u>
- Multi-Use Chargers are the best way to get higher utilization rate
- Don't yet know the impact of shared mobility



# Coverage first or Dependable first?

- Can you trust the network?
  - Coverage
  - Technical Reliability
  - Congestion

Planning options:

- 1. Clustering vs coverage
- 2. Redundancy
- 3. Paid vs "all you can eat"
- 4. Consolidated report system (and reservations) in apps

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# Thank you





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