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- Joint work:
  - MTM Materials Engineering department, KU Leuven
  - NUMA Applied Mathematics research group, KU Leuven
- Applications:





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• Collaborations:











NUMA, Department of Computer Science, KU Leuven

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# At NUMA and MTM, we developed a simulation package that targets two industrial painpoints in metal forming industry



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#### Painpoint 1

#### Availability of material data is limited

- Material databases do not include all materials nor their variability
- Mechanical testing is expensive & time-consuming

Solution: Replace advanced mechanical experiments with virtual tests

#### Painpoint 2

Simulation results of forming process are not accurate enough

- Properties evolve during processing from base material to formed part
- Simpler material models lead to inaccurate mechanical properties of simulated part

**Solution:** Couple microstructure evolutions to FE forming simulations on component scale

# Our software simulates advanced mechanical tests and adds microstructure evolutions in FE simulations to improve accuracy

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#### **Projected benefits of using our software package**

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- **Cost-efficient alternative** for mechanical testing
  - Expensive, time-consuming mechanical testing is replaced by cheap virtual tests
- Time and cost saving in the product design phase
  - Less trial-and-error steps are needed
- Higher predictive simulation power
  - Virtual tests enable use of more complex material models
- Improved knowledge on all stages of the forming process and final product
  - Access to evolved material microstructure and properties

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# **Electric machine having a passive axial electrodynamic bearing**

Self-bearing motor, High spin speed, Low losses, Passive



#### **Limitations – Mechanical bearings**

- Risks of contamination (lubricants, microparticles)
- Speed limit
- Moderate reliability

#### Limitations – Active electrodynamic bearing

- Power electronics
- Controllers and sensors
- Reduced reliability



High cost and complexity





# **Electric machine having a passive axial electrodynamic bearing**



Passively self-levitated axial flux permanent magnet motor

- Permanent magnets & windings → produce driving torque
- Connection of windings in short-circuited path
- → currents are passively induced when axial outcentering of rotor
- $\rightarrow$  Restoring thrust force & no control

#### **Advantages**

- Compactness
- Reliability
- High-speed operation

Passive thrust force

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 No additional control electronic for bearing







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### MMC UCLouvain

# **Electric machine having a passive axial electrodynamic bearing**

**Applications:** critical applications: high speed, low contamination, ...

**Examples:** Medical and Healthcare, Chemistry, High speed applications, (µ-)Pumps, Compressors

Key Factors	Ball Bearings (reference)	Active Magnetic Bearings	Invention
Risks of contamination (lubricants, microparticles)	<b></b>		$\odot$
Costs (investment and maintenance)	<b></b>	8	
Reliability	<b></b>	٢	
Compactness		$\odot$	
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# Electric machine having a passive axial electrodynamic bearing

Self-bearing motor, High spin speed, Low losses, Passive

#### **Intellectual Property**

Patent pending: PCT patent application filed on the 18th of May 2018 (WO2018211101A1)

TRL 4

A second improved prototype under construction



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#### Self-compensating permanent magnet bearing

Permanent Magnet Bearing, Temperature compensation, Ageing compensation, Passive





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#### Self-compensating permanent magnet bearing



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## Self-compensating permanent magnet bearing



Permanent Magnet Bearing, Temperature compensation, Ageing compensation, Passive

#### **Intellectual Property**

Patent pending: EP patent application filed on the 10th of August 2018 (EP18188404)

#### TRL 5

Prototype has been tested and functionality have been demonstrated over a limited range of operating conditions (Flywheel application)

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## Research on sustainable energy and intelligent energy systems

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## The energy transition: EnergyVille's vision



- Sustainable energysystem
- COP21 targets
- RES => Intermittency
- Consumers -> "prosumers"
- Elektricity as dominant vector
- Coupling with heat, gas, ...
- Key role of cities
- Security of supply
- Economical

## EnergyVille - Mission

EnergyVille is a **top research institute** to reach a **market-based**, **sustainable energy system for large urban areas**.

This comprises **Basic, Applied and Industry-driven research**, both theoretical and experimental.

EnergyVille serves the community by

- developing generic technologies and methodologies resulting in new products and services
- assisting in human capital development
- giving science-based policy input from local to global level.

Flemish energy research partnership by:



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#### Flemish research collaboration



# Energy Ville

In 2018 : ~350 collaborators ; ~ 35 MEuro external project income







# Integrating photovoltaics into real facades of buildings



## The case for integration of PV in facades of high-rise buildings 2020 NZEB directives => enhanced use of PV on buildings

- rooftop area for PV often scarce
- aesthetics suited for office-buildings
- high facade engineering capacity
- benign to the local grid (congestion !)
  - generation close to consumption
  - in sync with airco load
  - East South West facades => flatter day profile
  - seasonal profile
- façade cost Euro/m<sup>2</sup> marginally increased and compensated by enhanced "greening"





## The case for PV in "curtain walls"





- Industrially pre-fabricated
- Semi-standardized dimensions
- Millions of m<sup>2</sup> / year of facades installed

 multi-GW /yr. production opportunities for PV for facade-integration



## Prototype: PV in curtain wall







PV in opaque part

Glass in transparent part







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## + 1 year operation proven – accurate BIPV models available



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# Edison vs Tesla :

## Low Voltage bipolar DC grids

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Edison promised Tesla a generous reward if he could smooth out his direct current system. The young engineer took on the assignment and ended up saving Edison more than \$100,000 (millions of dollars by today's standards). When Tesla asked for his rightful compensation, Edison declined to pay him. Tesla resigned shortly after, and the elder inventor spent the rest of his life campaigning to discredit his counterpart.



#### EDISON FRIES AN ELEPHANT

current, Thomas Edison staged a highly publicized electrocution of the three-ton elephant known as 'Topsy." She died instantly after being shocked with

## THOMAS EDISON

You would have never found two geniuses so spiteful of each other beyond turn-of-the-century inventors Nikola Tesla and Thomas Edison. They worked together-and hated each other. Let's compare their life, achievements, and embittered battles.

Wizard of Menio Park NICKNAME Wizard of the West

Home-schooled and self-taught EDUCATION Studied math, physics, and mechanics at The Polytechnic Institute at Gratz

THE TALE OF AN EARLY TECH RIVALRY

Mass communication and business FORTE Electromagnetism and electromechanical engineering

Trial and error METHOD Getting inspired and seeing the invention in his mind in detail before fully constructing it

NIKOLA TESLA

#### DC (Direct Current) WAR OF CURRENTS: ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION IDEA AC (Alternating Current)

Incandescent light bulb; phonograph; cement 🛛 🖛 NOTABLE INVENTIONS 👘 🖝 Tesla coil - resonant transformer circuit; radio transmitter making technology; motion picture camera DC motors and electric power

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- 1,093 NUMBER OF US PATENTS 112
- 0 NUMBER OF NOBEL PRIZES WON
- NUMBER OF ELEPHANTS ELECTROCUTED

1931—Passed away peacefully in his New DEATH 1943—Died lonely and in debt in Jersey home, surrounded by friends and family Room 3327 at the New Yorker Hotel

ALTERNATING CURRENT Electric charge periodically reverses direction is transmitted to customers by a transform that could handle much higher voltages. Alternating current runs th

Car Motors Radio Signals

"IF EDISON HAD A NEEDLE TO FIND IN A HAYSTACK. HE WOULD PROCEED AT ONCE... UNTIL HE FOUND THE OBJECT OF HIS SEARCH. I WAS A SORRY WITNESS OF SUCH DOINGS, KNOWING THAT A LITTLE THEORY AND CALCULATION WOULD HAVE SAVED HIM 90 PERCENT OF HIS LABOR."

NIKOLA TESLA



#### WAR OF CURRENTS **OFFICIALLY SETTLED**

In 2007, Con Edison ended 125 years of direct current electricity service that began when Thomas Edison opened his power station in 1882. It changed to only provide alternating current.



Nobel Prizes for their strides in physics, but ultimately, neither won. It is rumored to have been caused by their animosity towards each other and refusal to share the coveted award.

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**Bipolar DC** 

Rationale





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## Key advantages of DC technology





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## Key technology and knowledge developed



DC-DC converter for interfacing storage and photovoltaics with bipolar LVDC microgrids



Certified and fully functional bipolar DC microgrid lab facility



Voltage control strategy



Knowledge on standardization and legislation (BE) regarding electrical installations









## Towards the SuperGrid : High Voltage DC transmission



### Research vision

#### **Second Second S**



HVDC is key technology for large-scale integration of renewable energy sources Worldwide HVDC market is in excess of \$4 billion annually and rising



#### towards meshed HVDC grids





## A field in transition

TODAY	IN FUTURE
From <b>point-to-point</b> connections	to multi-terminal and meshed grids
<b>Protection</b> From conventional AC system protection	to fast-acting DC &AC system protection
<b>Control</b> From one manufacturer per link	to multi-vendor interoperability
<b>Operation</b> From HVDC as "assistance" for AC grid	to AC & HVDC grid as parts of same grid
<b>Planning</b> From HVDC as addon element	to HVDC (grids) directly included as potential grid element for grid expansion integrating all available "features"
<b>Grid code</b> From complying with AC system/TSO requirements	to complying with both AC and DC grid requirements in a multi-stakeholder environment



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## KU Leuven / EnergyVille track record



#### Leading role within CIGRE Technical WG

a.o. Convener and secretary positions





#### Top-cited research team on HVDC grids

WG Chair

- Internationally awarded research
- Editor first book on HVDC grids

 Tutorials and panel sessions at major technical conferences and meetings





State-of-the-art tools and

 MatACDC & PowerModelsACDC:
 Open-source power flow software for future HVDC grids







#### NROMOTioN (H2020)

- Pioneering project towards HVDC grid protection
- Major academic partner on a.o. multivendor interoperability







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Prediction tool for life time assessment of materials in electrochemistry driven applications - energy storage and corrosion -

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#### Domains



corrosion & corrosion protection self-healing coatings



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electrodeposition
functional properties
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surface treatments
3D printing
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nanoparticles synthesis & modifications electrocatalysis rechargeable energy systems



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Strategy for reliable prediction of lifetime and aging in electrochemical systems



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#### **Polymer Microwave Fiber** a blend of RF, copper and optical communication

**David Maes** 

TOO IL







#### In-car data communication



#### How to get there







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#### How to improve datarate and distance

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#### The end is not in sight!

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We'll take care

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#### The **next** circuits for a better life

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# Surface coating and functionalization of particles

**Geert Rampelberg** Industry Meets Universities (BiR&D), Grimbergen, 2019/03/19

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# Need for surface functionalization in particle technology

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#### **Problems to be solved:**

#### **Protection against environment:**

- air, moisture, chemicals,
- controlled release

#### **Compatibility with environment**:

- adhesion, solubility,
- hydrophobicity
- Rheology, tribology,...

#### Active functionality on the

#### surface:

catalysts, electrical conductivity

### Solution:

#### Ultrathin conformal coatings

# **Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD)**

- ✓ Gas-phase cyclic deposition process
- ✓ Layer-by-layer growth
- ✓ **Nanometer** thin coatings: 0.1-100nm
- ✓ Conformal coatings into porous materials
- ✓ Metal oxides/nitrides: Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub>, TiN, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, ZnO,...
- ✓ Noble metals

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ROTATING DRUM

- ✓ Patented rotary reactor
- ✓ Lab-system with kilogram scale capacity
- ✓ First customer in pipeline

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Plasma-enhanced ALD (PE-ALD):

- ✓ Cheaper
- ✓ Cleaner
- ✓ Safer
- ✓ Higher quality coatings

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#### Conformal TiN coating around nano ZnO particles

# Magnetron sputtering (PVD)

✓ Gas-phase deposition
 ✓ Thicker coatings: 10nm – 1µm
 ✓ Conformal coatings onto non-porous materials
 ✓ Metallic coatings

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✓ Lab-system with kilogram scale capacity
 ✓ First system installed at customer

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# What we offer

Particles:
✓ Polymers, ceramics, metals,...
✓ nm → cm sized
✓ Porous & non-porous

#### **Coatings:**

✓ Metal oxides/nitrides
✓ Metals
✓ ... and more

Capabilities and prospects:
✓ Kilogram scale available
✓ Inert handling via glovebox
✓ Upscaling via spin-off

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ALD – Conformal protective  $Al_2O_3$  coating on copper powder

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PVD – Metallized glass beads

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ALD – Depth tuning of  $TiO_2$  coating inside porous  $Al_2O_3$  particles

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# Vibro-acoustic metamaterials

## towards light and compact vibro-acoustic solutions

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Noise is the second most deadly pollutant in western Europe

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"At least **one million healthy life years** are **lost** every year from traffic related **noise** in the western part of Europe"

## How to block noise?

## by adding volume and/or mass

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## Novel acoustic insulation

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## **Metamaterial concept**

- Favourable vibro-acoustic behaviour (transmission loss or vibration attenuation) in desired frequency bands
- Large design freedom: shape, materials, production process...

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