

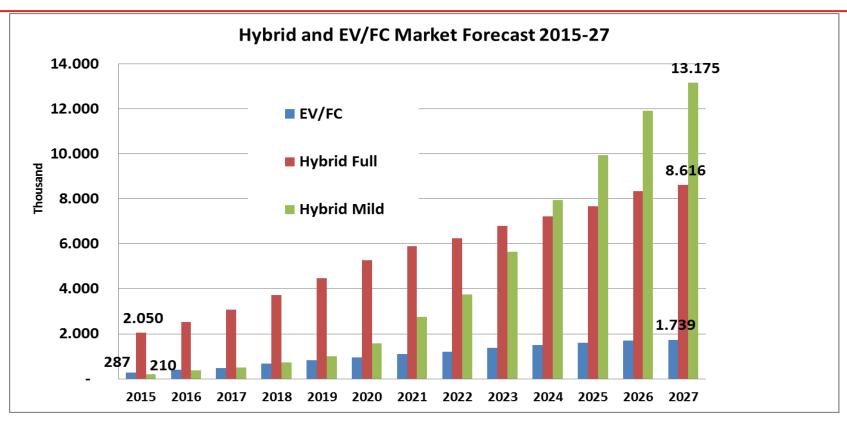


# **Highly Integrated Electrical Drive System**

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# **E-Propulsion Market**



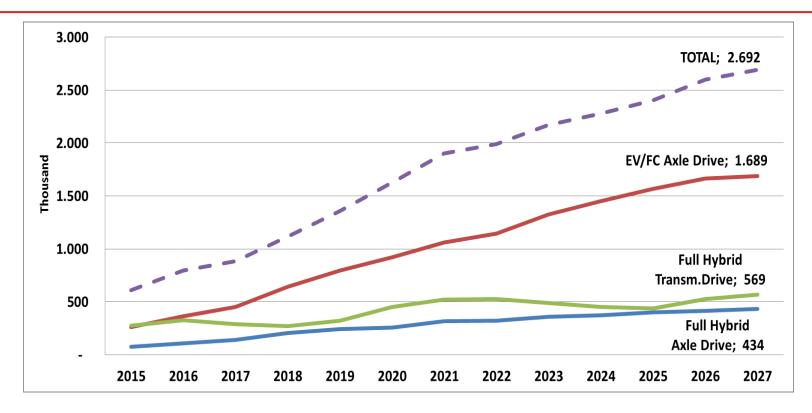


Mild Hybrids evolve exponentially

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# **HV Market (EV and Full Hybrid)**

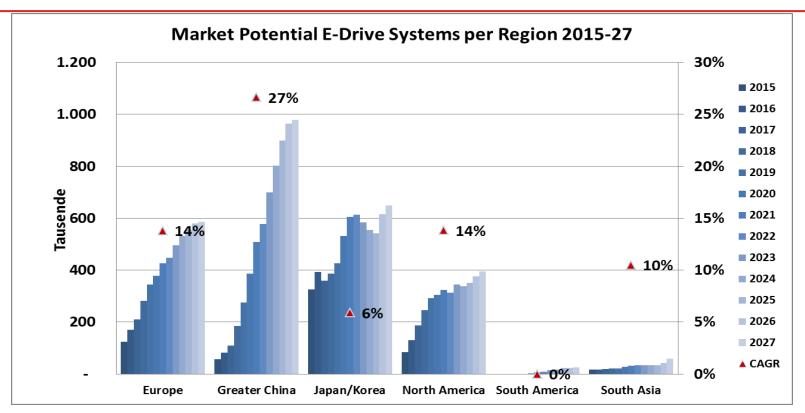




#### HV electric drives evolve incrementally

# HV Market (EV and Full Hybrid) - Region



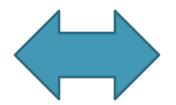


China is the big market for e-drive systems

#### What is the motivation for electric axle drives?



- More electric power in HEVs
  - Fuel economy & reducing emissions
  - Driver's pleasure:
    - Acceleration
    - Top speed (higher continuous power)



**Draw back:** 

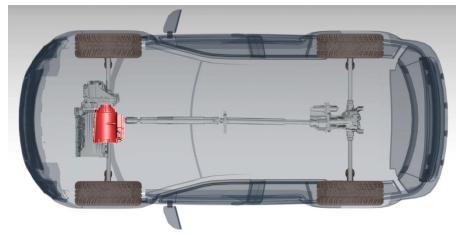
**Higher costs** 

- Higher functionality of HEVs
  - AWD (comfort & safety)
  - Power distribution to both axles
  - Weight balance

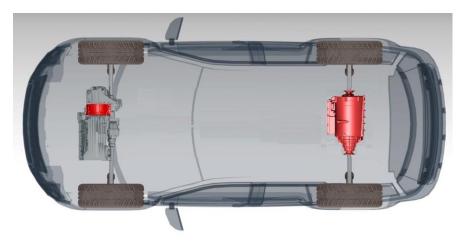
There are good reasons for pursuing e-axle drives

### PHEV (Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle) with AWD





Single electric drive supports ICE on the conventional power train to both axles

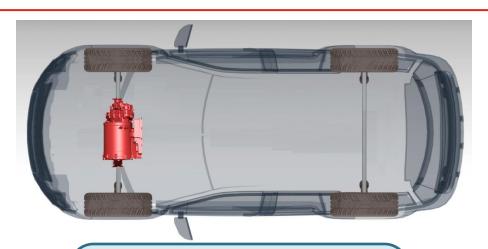


Additional rear axle drives appear typically in P2/P4 architectures

Proceeding variants of HEV will be based on e-axle drives

# **BEV** (Battery Electric Vehicle)







Typical example

Voltage nom. 360Vdc Battery Capacity 25kWh E-Motor 120kW Typical example

Voltage nom. 600Vdc Battery Capacity 100kWh E-Motor 2x 120kW

Electric axle drives have big potential in future markets:

BEV and FCEV are based on e-axle drives

# Costs are key – How can costs be limited?



#### 1. Downscaling

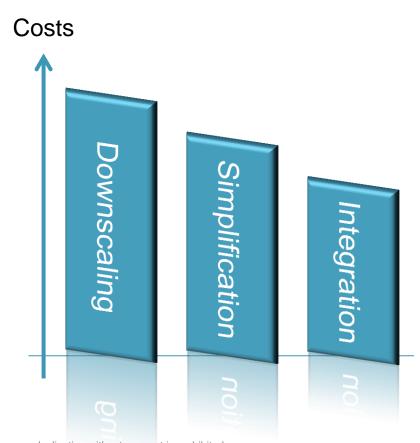
- Lower performance
- Lower voltage: 48V

# 2. Simplification

- Established parts
- Platform elements

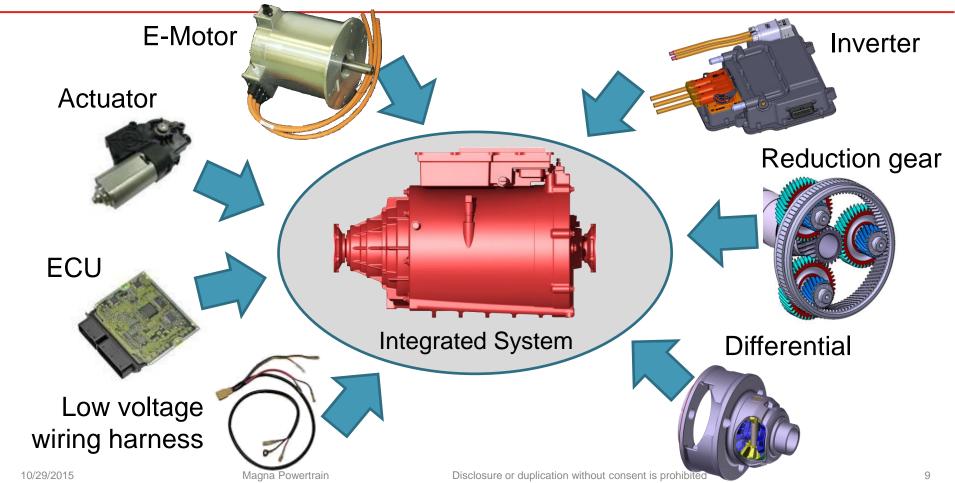
#### 3. Integration

- Share common parts
- Compact weight
- Optimized package
- Reduce number of connectors
- Reduce wiring harness
- Optimize EMC characteristics



# What does integration mean?

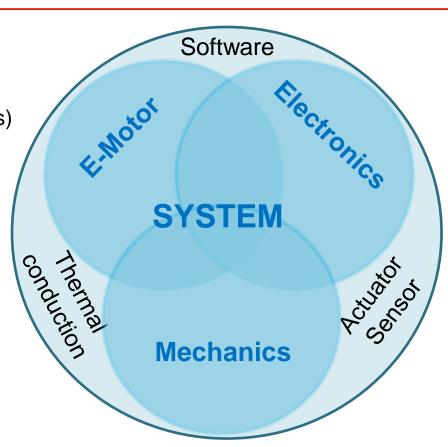




# Advantages of integration?

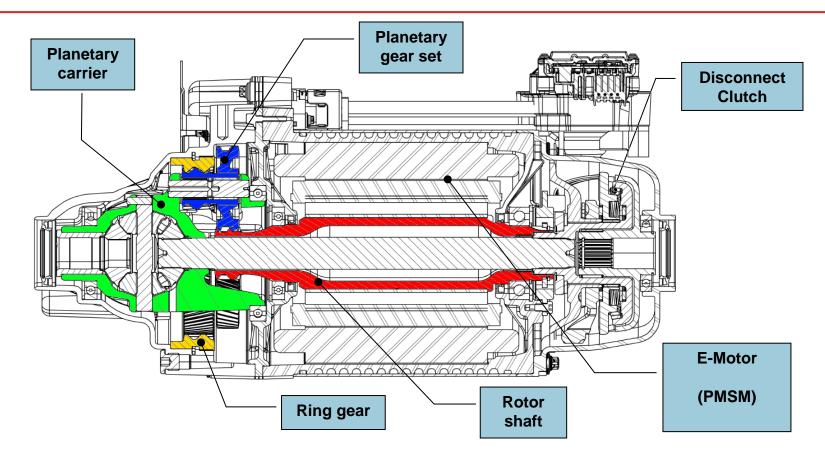


- Number of parts can be reduced
- Number of interfaces can be reduced
  - Number of electrical connectors
  - Number of cooling connections (water spigots)
- Weight optimized by common parts
  - Housing, thermal plate, sealings
- Optimize package volume
  - Less parts, internal connections
- Simplify system integration
  - Plug-and-Play at the vehicle integration
- Enhance quality
  - One system supplier
- Cover safety topics
  - Interaction of system elements
  - Reduce costs if based on standard elements



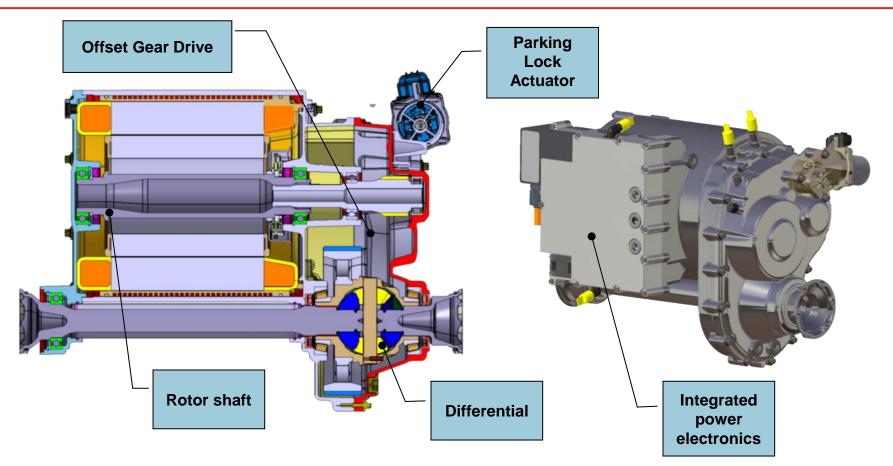
# First approach: E-Motor integrated into Gearbox





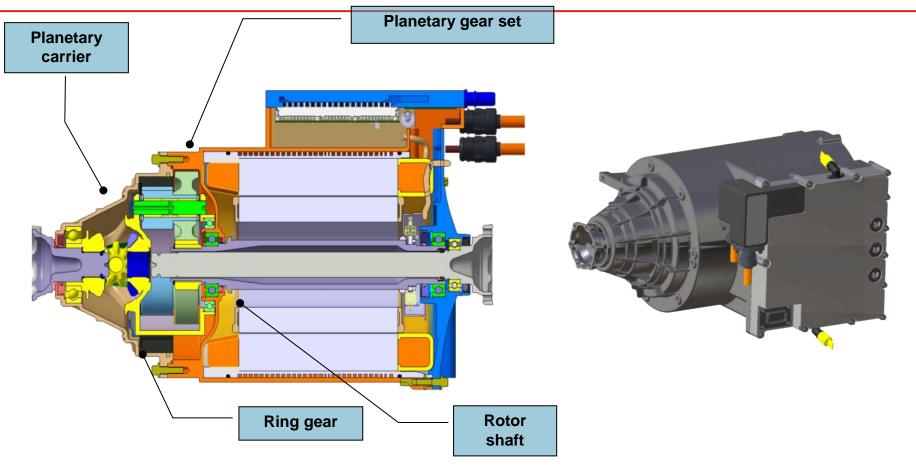
# **Next generation of electric axle drives**





#### Next generation of electric axle drives – more compact





# **Complexity of integrated systems**



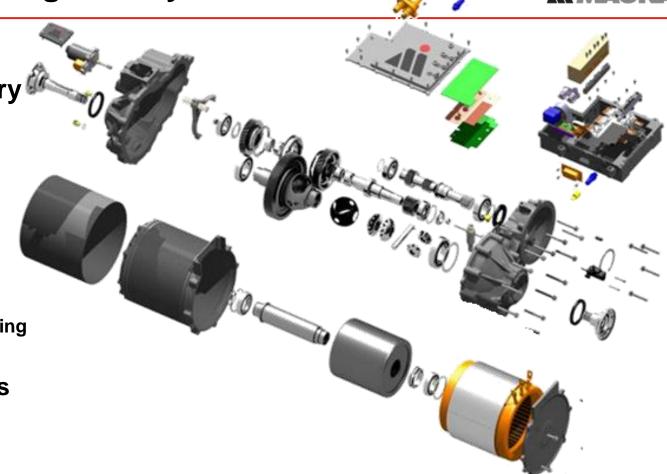
# Big challenge for automotive industry

#### **System contains**

- Electronics
- Mechanics
- Hydraulics
- Software

#### **Engineering & Manufacturing**

- Resources
- Communications
- Expenditures



# **Concluding theses**



- Electric axles will be the main powertrain in future
  - ✓ Simple
  - ✓ Effective
  - ✓ Smart



- Costs are key for pushing electric drives towards larger volumes
  - Beside the battery the entire drivetrain has to be cost effective
- High level integration is a general way for evolving technology
  - Each automotive module does also experience proceeding integration

