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# Automotive applications

for Skeleton's energy  
storage solutions



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# Global Reach from the Heart of Europe

Combining German engineering & Estonian IT



## The largest and most modern supercapacitor factory in Europe

### **Großröhrsdorf, Germany**

- Industrial scale, highly automated production facility
- Supercapacitor research & development center
- Main production location from cells to systems



### **Bitterfeld-Wolfen, Germany**

- Curved Graphene synthesis and production
- Material pilot & development plant
- Solid-state material research



### **Berlin, Germany**

- Sales & application engineering
- Grant & IP management
- Solid-state battery development



### **Tallinn, Estonia**

- Software development
- Electronics engineering
- Module & system development

# Backed by a Strong Investor Base – Over 200M EUR of Capital Invested



Committed to supporting the company becoming a global market leader by 2024

**Marubeni**



**HARJU ELEKTER**



FIRSTFLOOR CAPITAL



Co-founder of

**adyen**

Co-founder of

**wire**

“ **Enabling carbon-neutral electrification** is a key priority for us and Skeleton Technologies fits in our portfolio perfectly. The company has **validated its competitive advantage** in real-life applications and has shown **strong commercial traction.** ”



**Masayuki Omoto**  
COO, Next Generation Business Development  
Marubeni Corporation

# Technological Advantage Through Superior Carbon Raw Material

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Backed by the largest R&D team in the industry

## Li-ion Batteries

use a chemical reaction to store energy

 Slow

- + Limited power density (0.5 kW/kg)
- + **High energy density** (205 Wh/kg)
- + Limited cycle life (<3000)
- + Slow charge rate (1.5 C)
- + Safety concerns

## Supercapacitors

use an electric field to store energy

 Fast

- + **High power density** (up to 60 kW/kg)
- + Limited energy density (up to 20 Wh/kg)
- + Extreme cycle life (>1 million)
- + Extremely fast charge rate (2000 C)
- + High inherent safety

# Key Enabling Technology to Power Electrification Across Industries

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A qualified supplier & system provider to industry leaders



Fuel cell power support solutions  
48V active suspension  
KERS / Push-to-pass  
12V board net stabilization & back-up solutions



KERS for light rail  
Engine start  
Mild hybrid bus energy storage  
Fuel cell power support solutions for rail and bus transportation



Wind turbine pitch control  
Virtual inertia / Grid forming in STATCOMs  
Microgrid power back-up and quality



Peak load shaving to cover short-term peak power demands  
KERS for port cranes, forklifts, and elevators  
Fast-charging for warehouse AGVs and shuttles



# Supercapacitors Electrifying Trams in Germany

Kinetic energy recovery reduces costs and protects infrastructure

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Skeleton Technologies supercapacitor modules will be installed in **Skoda Transportation trams** in Mannheim, Heidelberg, and Ludwigshafen in **Germany**.



The supercapacitor system **captures braking power** and **re-uses it for acceleration**, saving **30% of energy**, as well as decreasing wear on brakes. Supercapacitors also **protect infrastructure** by shaving peaks of power.



Skeleton's **advantage is very low internal resistance**, resulting in the long application lifetime due to **lowest operating temperature on the market**. The high power density of our supercapacitors **enables space and cost savings** compared to competing products.

# Enabling Continuous Operation for Intralogistics Shuttles

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Recharging in seconds along the route, no charging space required



Attabotics, a Canadian intralogistics company, uses a **custom supercapacitor module** in its patented storage structure, enabling **85% warehouse space reduction**.



A **custom-designed supercapacitor module** powers Attabotics' automated **intralogistics shuttles**.



Compared to batteries, supercapacitors provide **3-4x the lifetime** with **zero maintenance** or the need for a charging area. The supercapacitor module utilizes opportunity charging at predetermined spots along its route, enabling **constant 24/7 operation**.

# Hybrid Supercapacitor + Fuel Cell Buses

Kinetic Energy Recovery improves fuel economy and range

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Skeleton Technologies **supercapacitor modules** will work in a **hybrid solution** with **hydrogen fuel cells** in Wrightbus' fuel cell buses.



Supercapacitors **recuperate braking energy and re-use it for acceleration**, while reducing the stress on fuel cells and improving the vehicles' fuel economy and range.

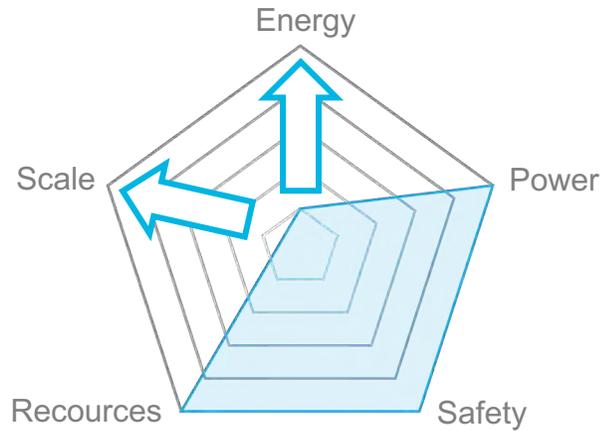


"For hydrogen buses, Wrightbus is working with world-class leaders such as Skeleton Technologies for supercapacitors. **Supercapacitors and fuel cells are the ideal combination for better performance and lower cost of ownership.**"

Jo Bamford  
Chairman, Wrightbus

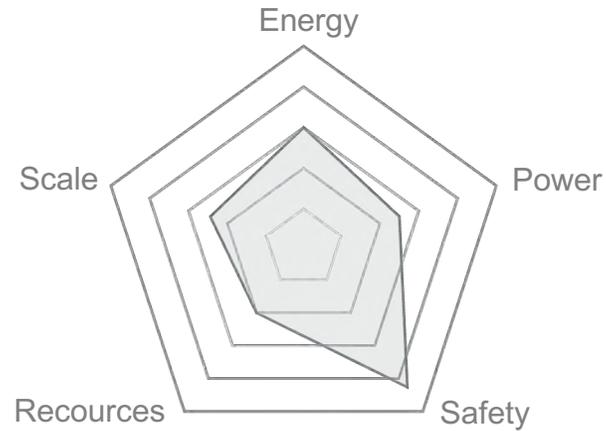
# Current energy storage technology not without shortcomings

No single solution meets all market requirements



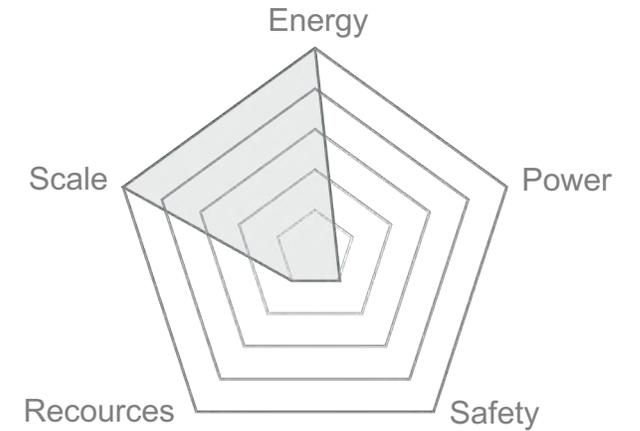
## Supercapacitors

- + Energy throughput (\$/kWh cycle)
- + Efficiency (cost per kW)
- + Wide temperature window
- Low energy density
- Very high initial cost (\$/kWh)



## High power batteries

- + Medium energy density
- + Medium efficiency
- + Relatively fast charging
- Unable to meet 100k cycle requirement
- High initial cost (\$600/kWh)



## High energy batteries

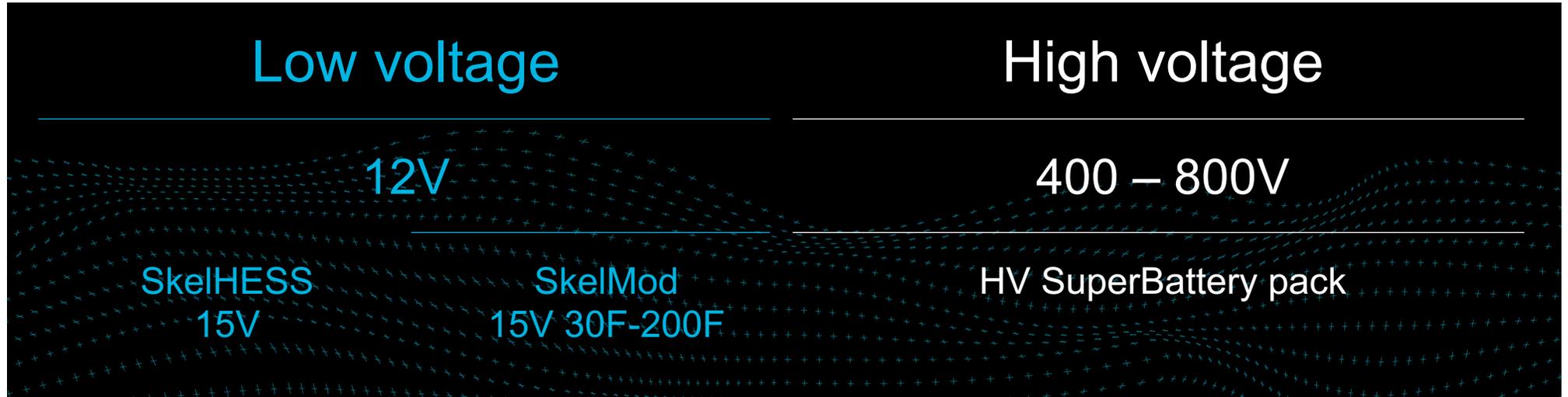
- + Low energy density cost (~\$120/kWh)
- Very low cycles
- Long charging times

# Energy storage solutions for cars & trucks



# Transport and Automotive Product Portfolio

High-power energy storage for 12V, 48V, and HV applications



- Protects batteries from high currents
- Full efficiency even at -40 °C
- >10-year lifetime
- Reduction of battery content / replacement of battery



- High voltage packs for high power applications (HEV/FCEV)
- 15 seconds charge with 40 Wh/kg on pack level
- No thermal runaway or similar safety issues

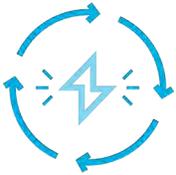
# New 12V applications require new energy storage solutions

New applications and regulations shift the requirements



## Autonomous functions: More redundancy

12V based autonomous functions require the 12 V on-board-net to perform well in “worst case” scenarios such as low SOC combined with low temperature. At the same time, power demands increase.



## Electrification: Higher power demand

Electrified safety and autonomous functions such as e-braking, e-steering and image/LIDAR analysis computing require increased power.



## Regulations: Recycling is in the spotlight

New European battery directive (Regulation concerning batteries and waste batteries) will impact both lead-acid and Lithium-ion batteries. Batteries heavier than 5 kg will be treated as “industrial batteries” and face added regulation on recycling and sustainability.

# Existing solutions present shortcomings

Not all requirements can be fulfilled efficiently



## Lead-Acid batteries

- Toxic lead leads to regulatory issues
- Increased power demand limits lifetime
- Low temperature performance creates issues in „worst case scenarios“ for safety critical systems

## LFP batteries

- High power demand leads to high weight
- High weight leads to increased recycling requirements in EU battery directive
- Low temperature performance raises safety concerns at  $< -10^{\circ}\text{C}$

## BEV HV-12V DC/DC converter

- Redundancy requires 2 DC/DC converters
- Fast reacting DC/DC converters are expensive

# 12V energy storage solutions

Most optimized solution for 12V board net applications

## Problems to solve:

- Power density at  $< -5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Recyclability

## Our solution:

SkelHESS 15V - SkelMod 15V 30F-200F + LFP Li-Ion



-45% weight\*

-55% volume\*

25x higher power density\*

Lasts the **entire lifetime** of the vehicle

Peak power available at **-40°C**

**No Lithium / Cobalt**

\*SkelHESS 15V compared to 12V LFP Li-Ion battery

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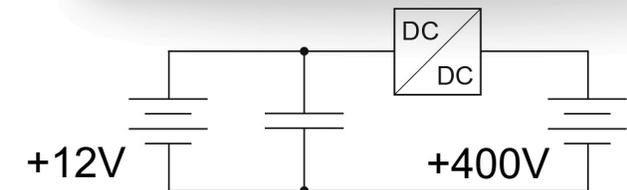
SkelHESS 15V –  
SkelMod 15V 30-200F + LFP Li-Ion battery



Complete energy storage system optimized to deliver both **peak power and high usable energy** ideal for low voltage board net with **single HV storage**.

The most compact packaging and competitive pricing on the market.

- + Based on the SkelMod 15V 200F in direct parallel connection to LFP battery
- + **20Ah** battery capacity
- + 1s power **7kW (between 9-15V)**, battery current reduction by **over 75%**
- + **Increase energy storage lifetime to over 15 years**
- + **45% less weight** and **55% less volume** compared to LFP battery
- + Strong reliability and **best temperature tolerance from -40 to +65 °C**
- + Best transition **from lead-acid batteries**



*Simplified boardnet architecture of an electrified vehicle*

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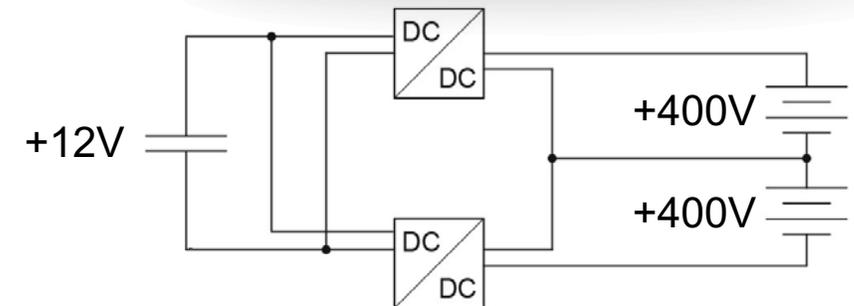
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## SkelMod 15V 30-200F – stand alone solution



The 15V power module fulfills the demand of high power 12V loads in the most compact package and at a lower cost compared to an oversized Li-ion battery pack. **Ideal solution for low voltage peak power supply in systems with redundant HV storages.**

- + Performance based on the SkelMod 15V 200F:
- + Ready to use replacement in applications with redundant HV storage
- + 1s power **7kW (between 9-15V)** to cover any high-power demand
- + Usable with a battery to **minimize its loads, capacity and extend its lifetime**
- + Best in-class usable energy at **4Wh (between 9-15V)**
- + Most compact: only **0.7L** and **1kg**
- + **1+ million cycles** and **lifetime 15+ years**
- + Strong reliability and **best temperature tolerance from -40 to +65 °C**



*Simplified boardnet architecture of an electrified vehicle with two high-voltage battery packs*

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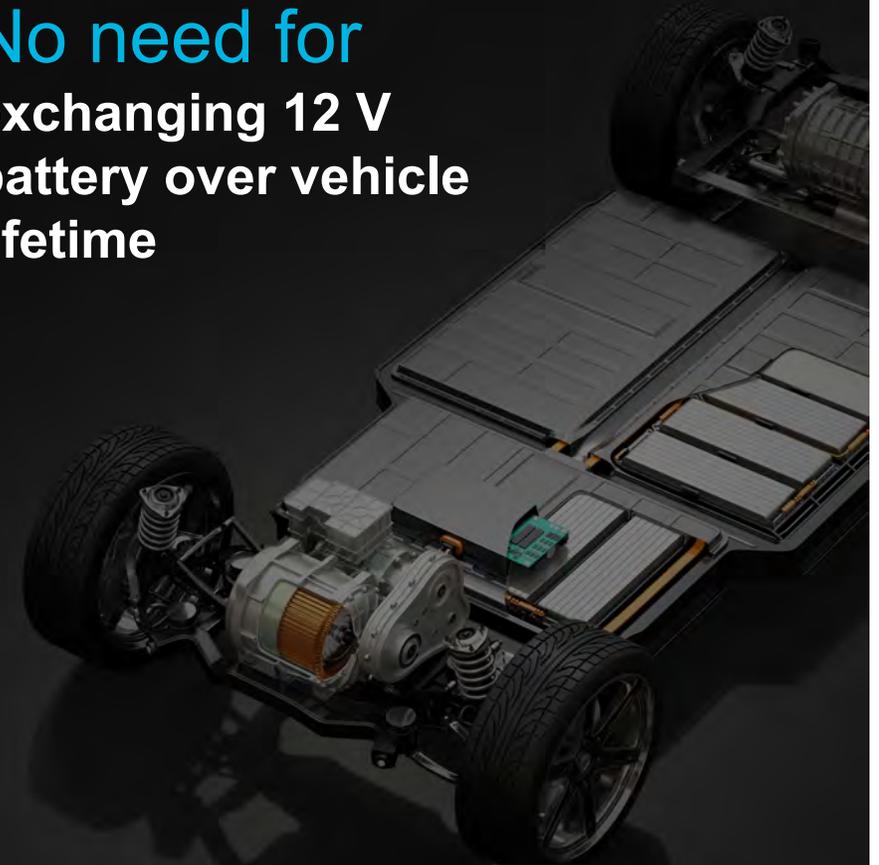
End customer perspective

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**Autonomous functions**  
available in cold weather,  
higher driving speeds  
and other extreme  
conditions



**No need for**  
exchanging 12 V  
battery over vehicle  
lifetime



# High Voltage energy storage: Challenges for xEVs

FCEVs, HEVs and performance BEVs require high power



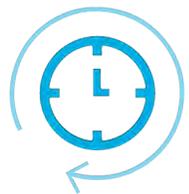
## Power load

Braking Energy recuperation and acceleration of heavy cars requires high power



## Power / Energy ratio

For FCEVs and HEVs, the battery size is  $< 2\text{kWh}$ , but the power rating is  $>100\text{ kW}$ , requiring  $>50\text{C}$  charge/discharge rate



## Lifetime

Many cycles during daily use decrease LIB lifetime



## Safety

LIBs require extensive safety measures

# HV energy storage solutions

SuperBattery Pack – The best of both ultracapacitor and battery worlds

## Problem to solve:

Batteries do not **last for the vehicle lifetime** when faced with **extreme peak power loads** and thus need to be oversized



## Our Superbattery solution:

### HV SuperBattery pack



65 Wh/L energy density

Peak power 200kW+

-40% weight and volume\*

No thermal runaway

50k+ cycles,  
no power limitation or lifetime compromise

Low cooling requirements  
due to low internal resistance

\*compared to Lithium-Ion battery

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## HV SuperBattery pack – the best of energy storage world

Optimal high power energy storage for hybrid and electric powertrains in **the most compact package** and at **lower cost** compared to oversized Li-ion battery pack.

- + Based on 21700 form factor cell
- + **400V** pack with **1.84 kWh** and **200+ kW** peak power within 32kg and 20.8L
- + **50k+ full cycles** fulfills the requirements of every hybrid application
- + **Safe operation down to -30°C** without the impact on the lifetime
- + Ideal fit as an additional power storage for FCEV, HEV
- + Customized pack design up to **1500V**



# HV energy storage solutions

End-customer perspective

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Significantly  
increased  
performance in  
acceleration



Increased  
regeneration  
of braking  
energy



Reduced costs  
for HEV and  
FCEV



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