

Tesla Model 3 Long-Range Supercharging Curves

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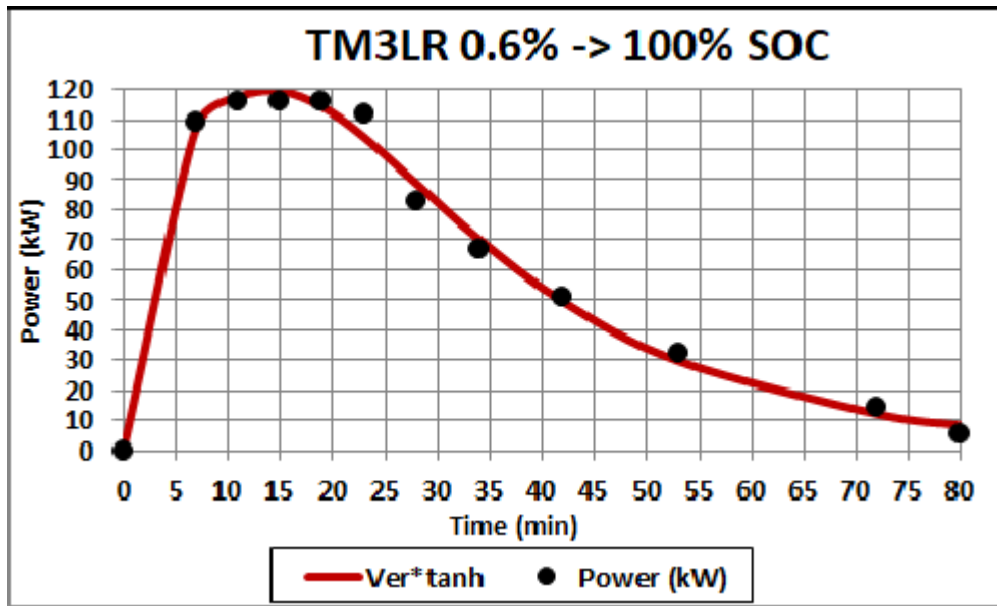
The time dependence of charging any electric car starts at 0 charge added, goes to a peak and then exponentially declines to the final State-Of-Charge (SOC). This article collects data for several [Tesla Supercharging](#) charging events of a [Tesla Model 3 Long-Range](#) BEV.

The author has observed that the following function can fit the Tesla-Model-3-Long-Range Supercharger charging curves reasonably accurately:

$$\text{Verhulst}(t - t_o) \tanh(t) \text{ where}$$
$$\text{Verhulst}(t - t_o) = \frac{Q_\infty}{n\tau} \frac{(2^n + 1) \exp[(t - t_o) / \tau]}{\{1 + (2^n + 1) \exp[(t - t_o) / \tau]\}^{[(n-1)/n]}}$$
$$\text{and } \tanh(t) = \frac{\exp(t) - \exp(-t)}{\exp(t) + \exp(-t)}.$$

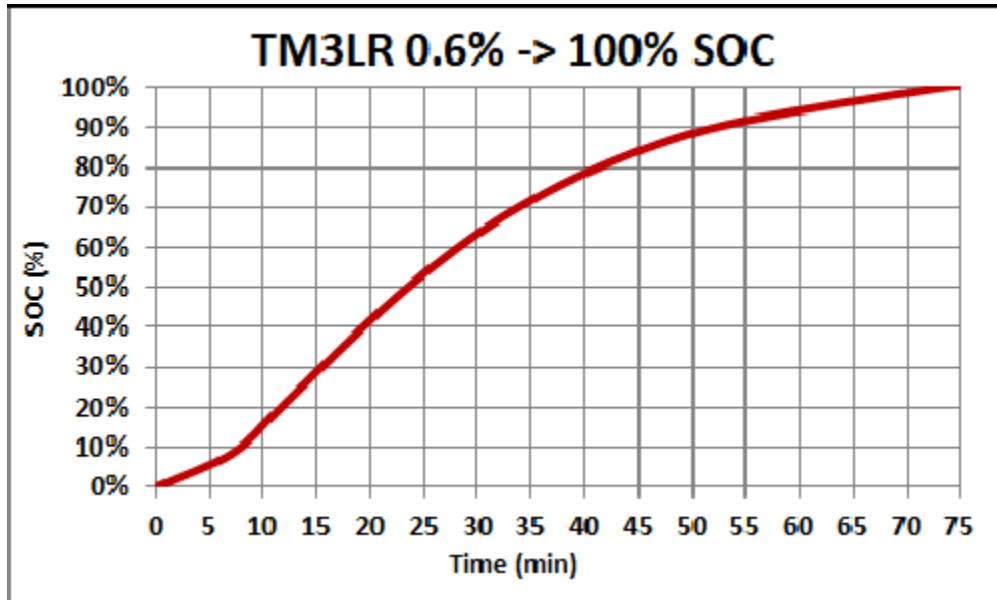
The follow red curves are a fit of this function to the charging-power data.

Supercharging 0.06% -> 100%

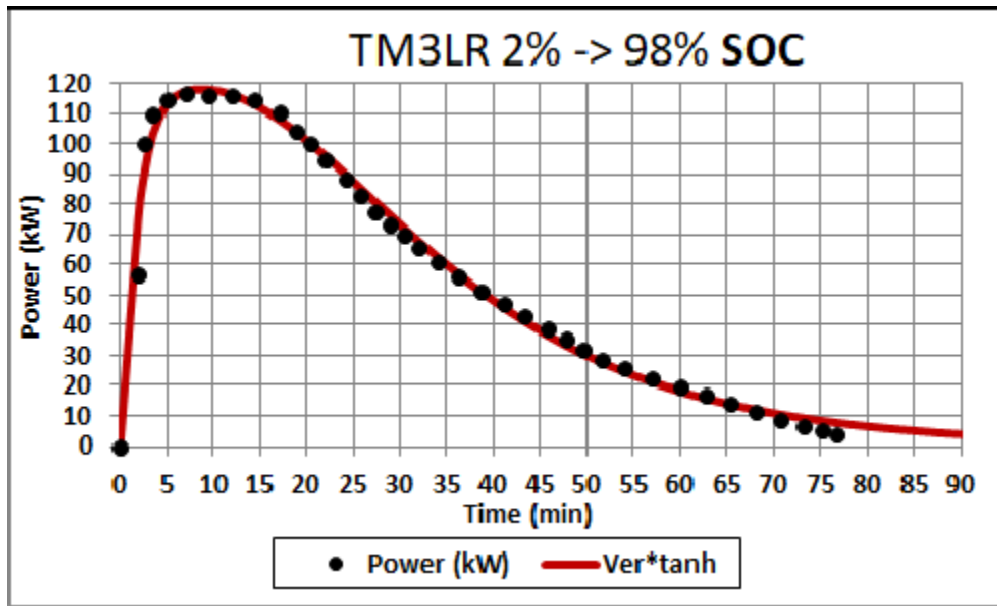


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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HUseaY0IduU>

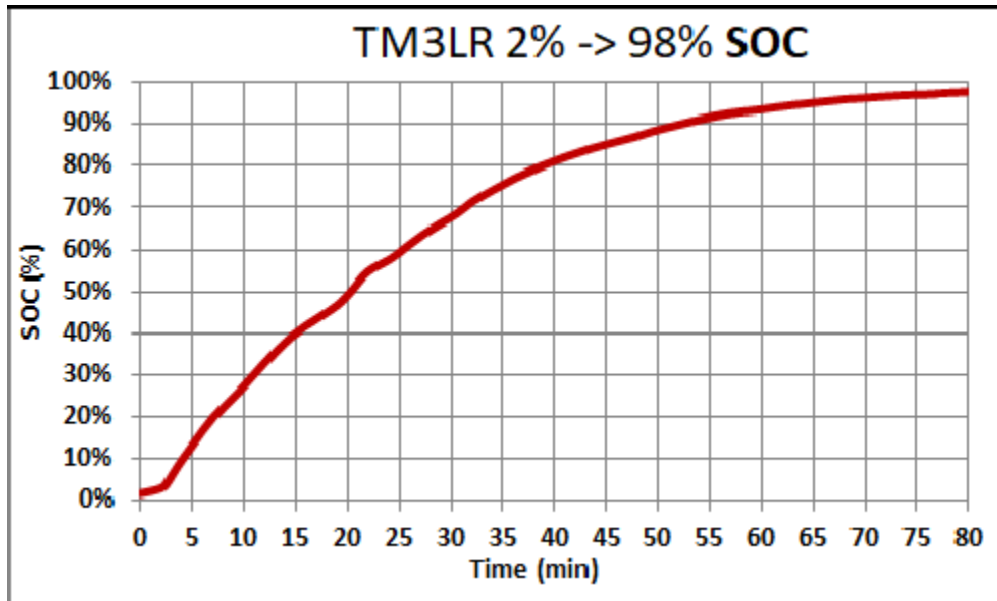


Supercharging 2% -> 98%

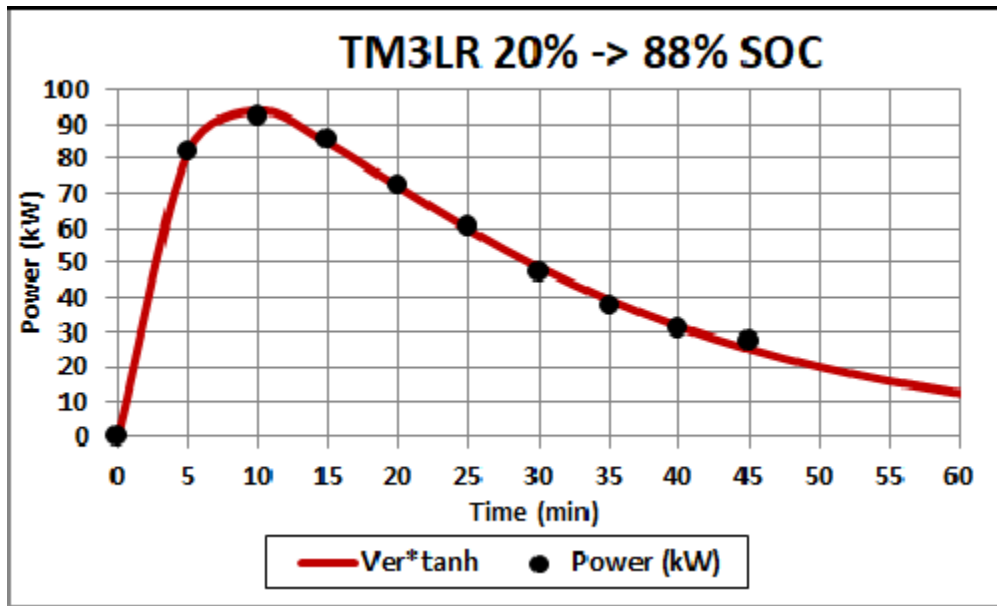


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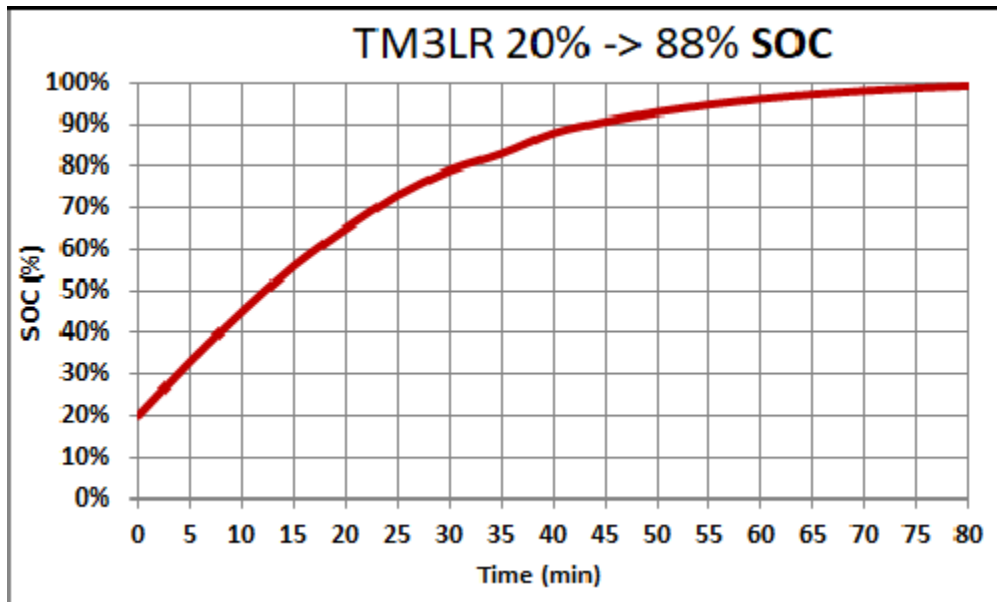


Supercharging 20% -> 88%

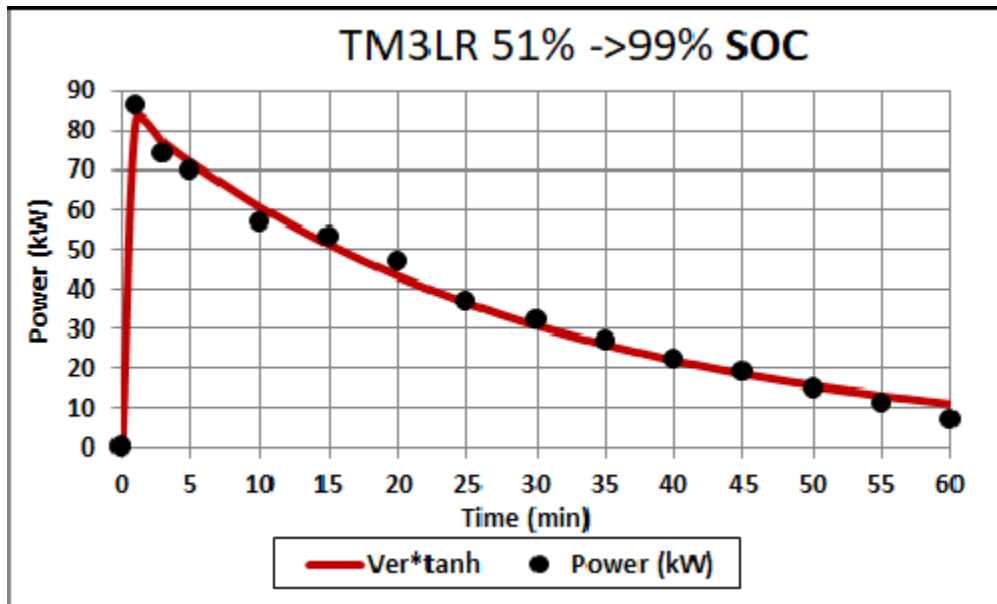


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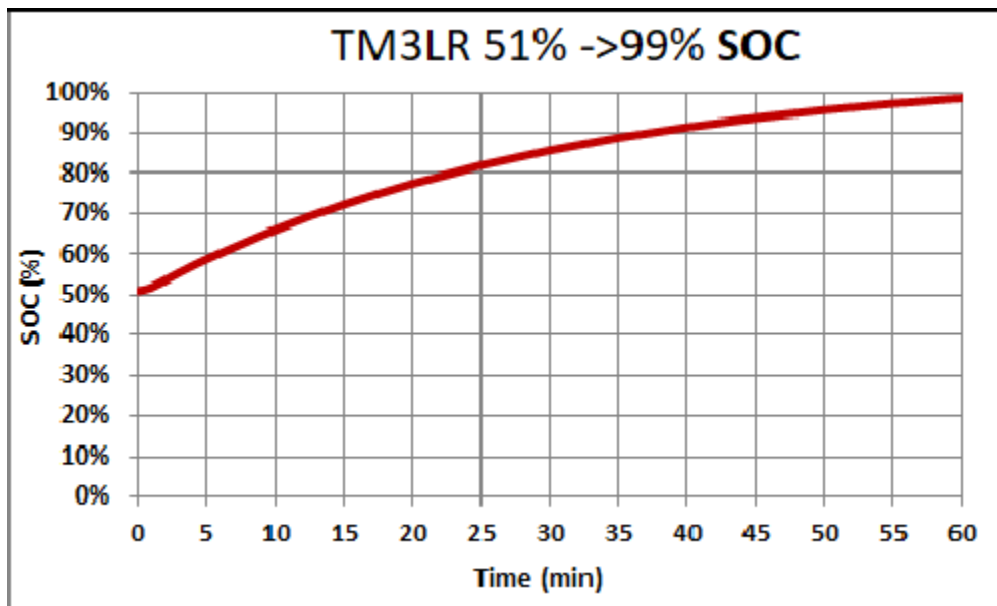
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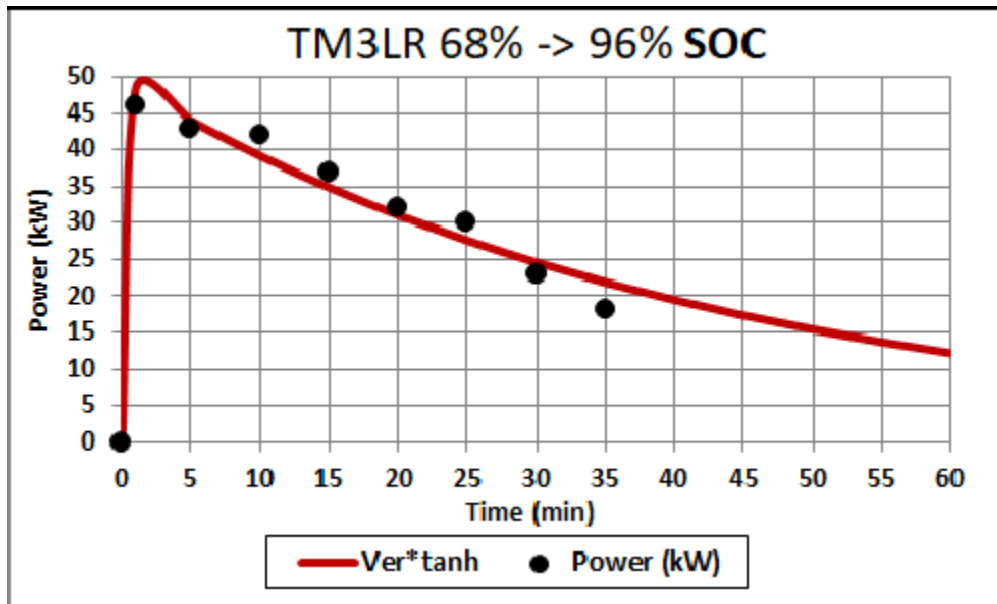
Supercharging 51% ->99%



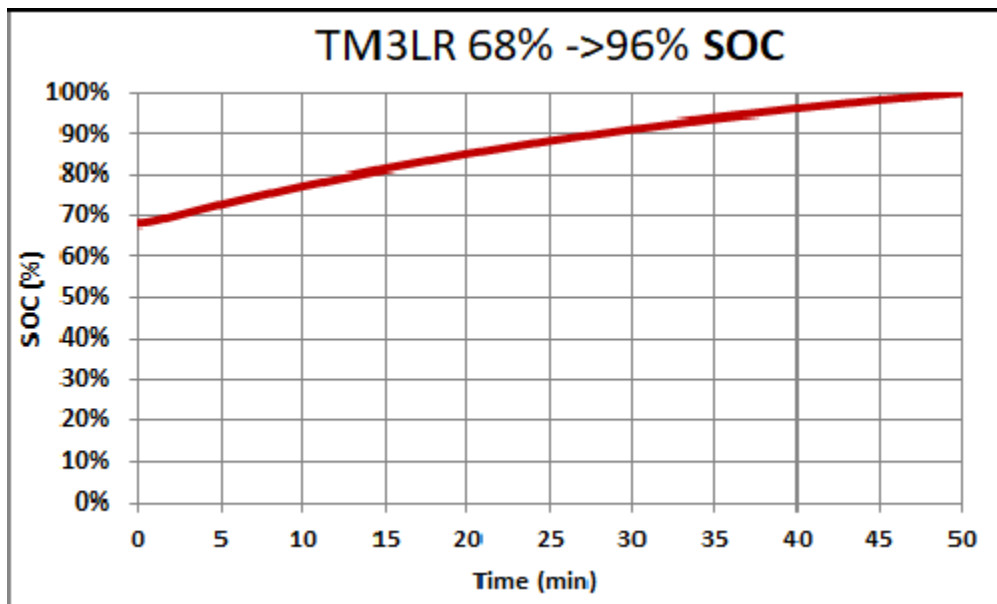
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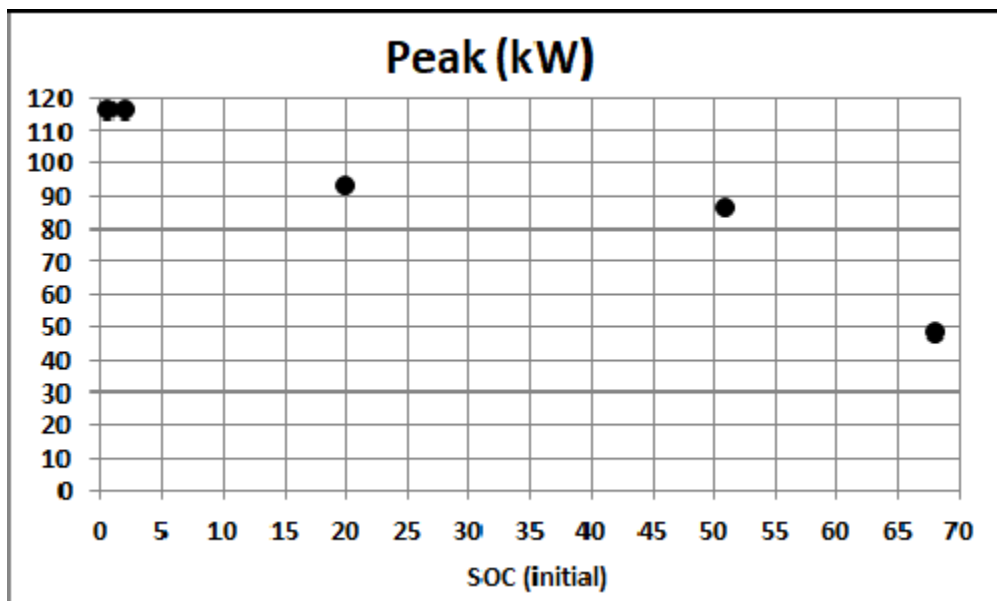
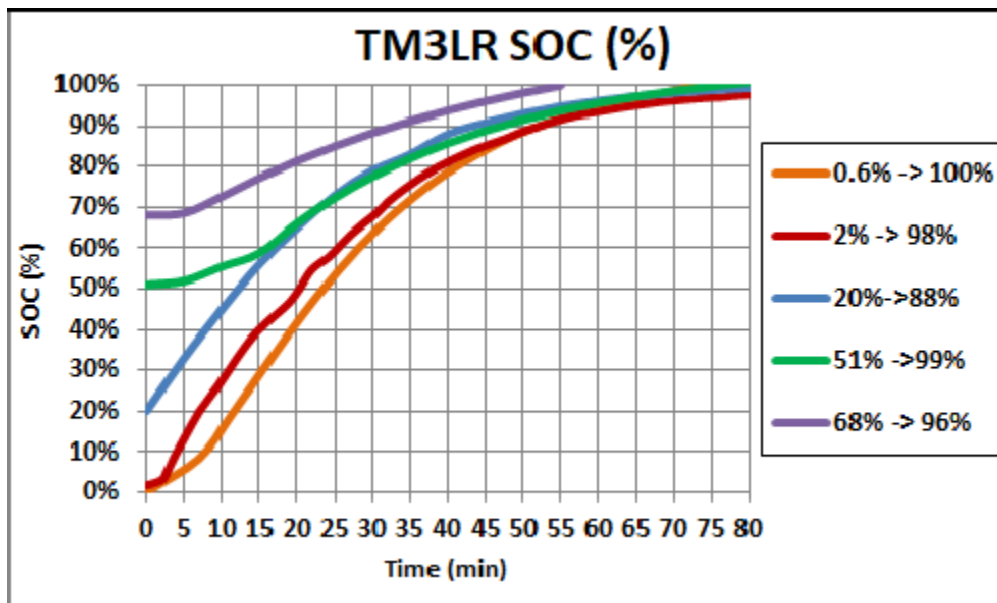
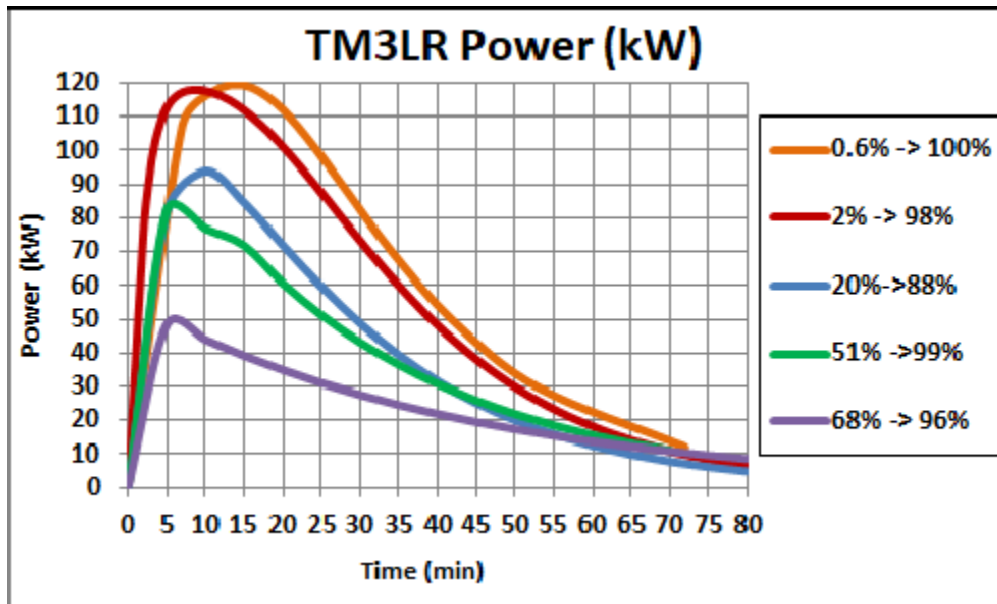
Supercharging 68% -> 96%



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Combining the Four Supercharging Events



Conclusion

The ratio of SOC in % to full-charging time in minutes is about 1.25 for the three charging events starting at 0.6%, 2% and 20% and about 0.8 for the two charging events starting at 51% and 68%.

As often stated, it is faster to charge when the SOC is low than when it is high.

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