EVSEs (charge stations)

2016

- Level 1: 120V AC @12A = 1.5kW
- Level 2: 240V AC @32A = 7.6kW
- Level 3: DC 50kW

2022

- Level 1: 120V 1.5kW (comes with the car)
- Level 2: AC from 7kW to 22kW
- Level 3: DC from 50kW to 350kW
What's in an EVSE?

Not much

It's not a charger, it's a switch.
Level 1 EVSE
EVSE operation

- Detect that there's a car plugged in
- Tell the car how much current is available
- Close the contact to deliver power to the car
  The actual battery charger is in the car
Smart EVSEs

- User configurable power levels
- Timed charging
- Network connectivity
- Load balancing:
  - With other EVSEs on the same circuit
  - With the total load in a building
Adaptors

Adaptors let you use campsite or dryer outlets
Installing an EVSE

- 50A dedicated 240V circuit (125% of load)
- Within 20 feet of your car
  - EVSE cable is much dearer than NOMEX
- NEMA 14-50 or hardwired
- Level 1:
  - Dedicated 16A circuit
  - 16A extension cords are OK if you uncoil them

More details: http://qry.cc/EV2
(OpenEVSE kit at Instructables)
Finding a Charge Station

• Plugshare is one of the easiest apps
• Configure for your car
Know what to look for

- Chargestations come in all shapes and sizes, and they're hard to find
- Use GPS and read directions

Yes, that is an old gas pump
Use the filters

- All stations in Vancouver, including private ones
Use the filters

- Fast chargers across Canada
Use the filters

- 70kW and greater charge stations
- More being built every month
Charge Networks

- Many charge stations are networked
- But not on the same network
- Payment, authentication, monitoring
  - It might be free, but you have to login
  - With the right app, you can check it's available
- RFID cards and phone apps
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Resources

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