



Vehicle Performance

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Lesson 2

Performance criteria



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Outline

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Max speed and gradeability



Vehicle performances

- Vehicle performance are dominated by two major factors:
 - The maximum power available to overcome the power dissipated by the road resistance forces
 - The capability to transmit the tractive force to the ground (limitation of tire-road friction)
- Performance indices are generally sorted into three categories:
 - Steady state criteria: max speed, gradeability
 - Acceleration and braking
 - Fuel consumption and emissions



Study of performances with tractive force diagrams

- The steady state performances can be studied using the tractive forces / road resistance forces diagrams with respect to the vehicle speed
- Newton equation

$$F_T - F_{AERO} - F_{RR} - F_{SLOPE} = m \frac{dv}{dt}$$

- Stationary condition $a_x = \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$

- Then equilibrium writes

$$F_T = F_{RES} = F_{AERO} + F_{RR} + F_{SLOPE}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_T = \mathcal{P}_{RES} = F_{RES} v$$

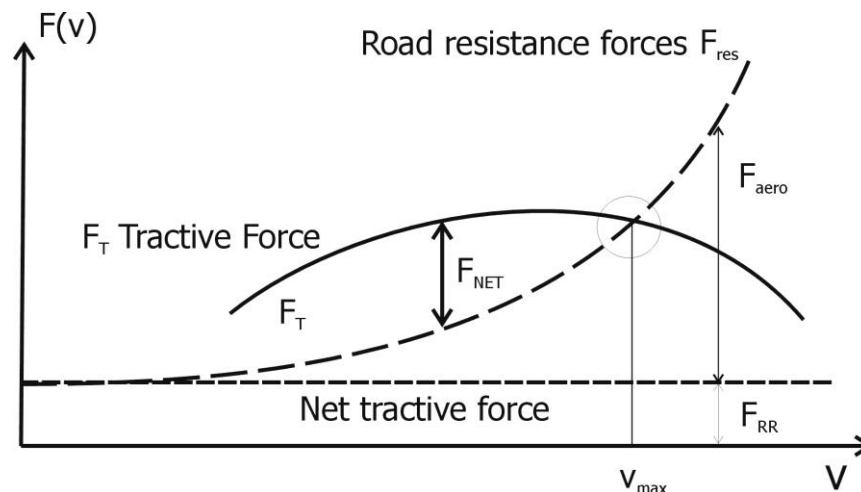
Study of performances with tractive force diagrams

- One generally defines the **net force**

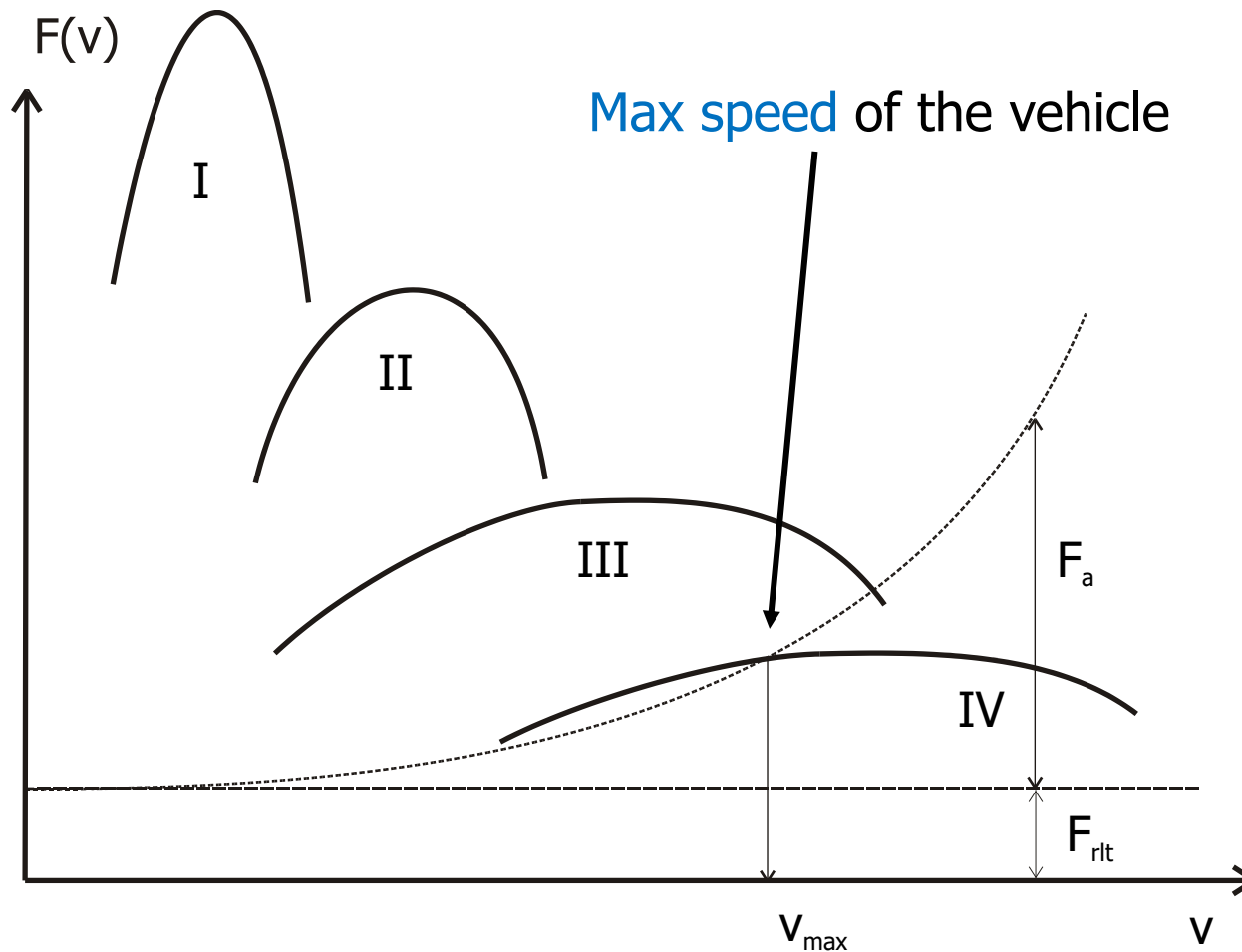
$$F_{NET} = F_T - F_{AERO} - F_{RR} - F_{SLOPE}$$

- One also can use the net force diagram to calculate
 - The maximum speed
 - The maximum slope
 - The reserve acceleration available

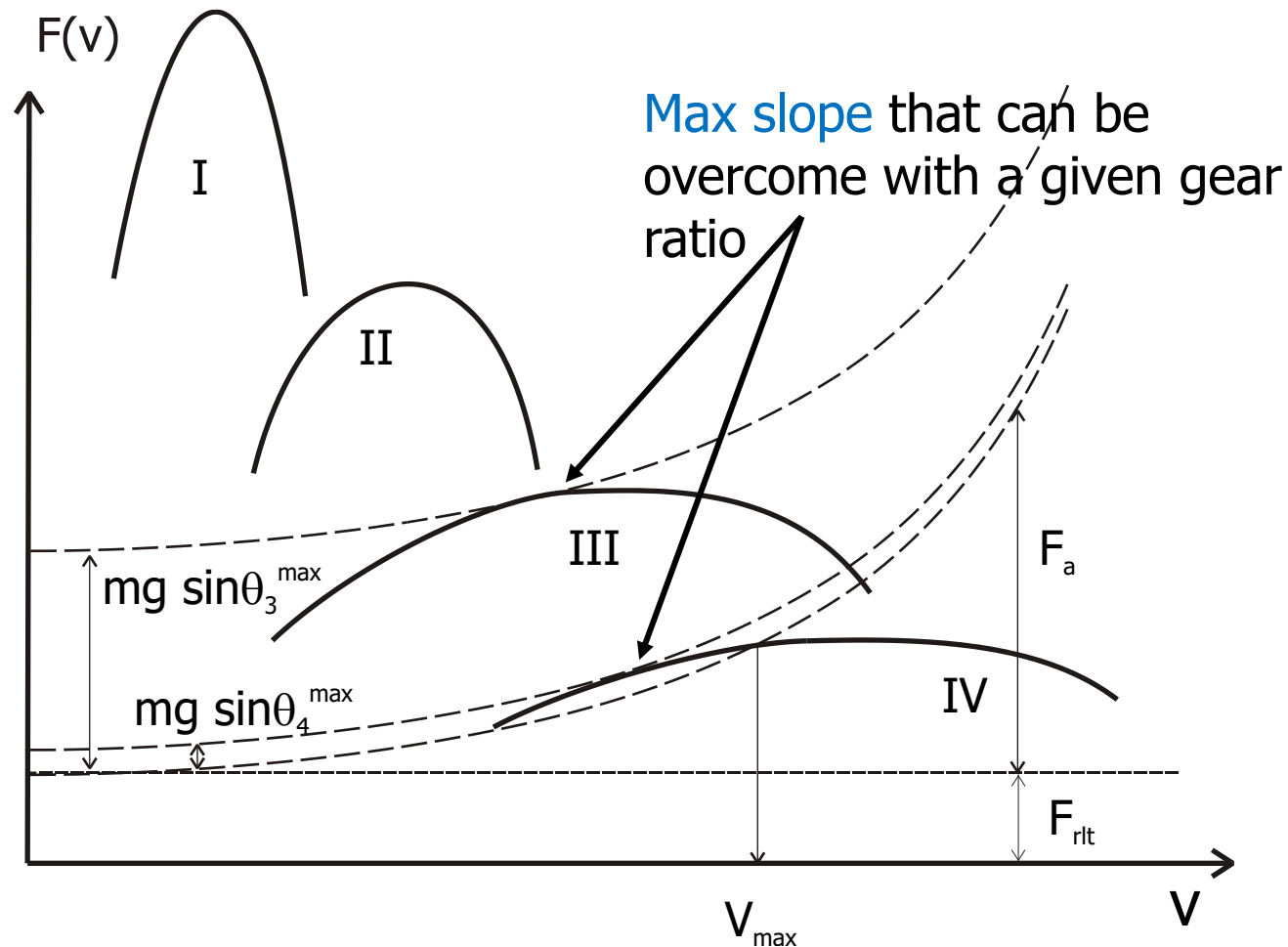
$$a_x = \frac{F_{NET}}{m}$$



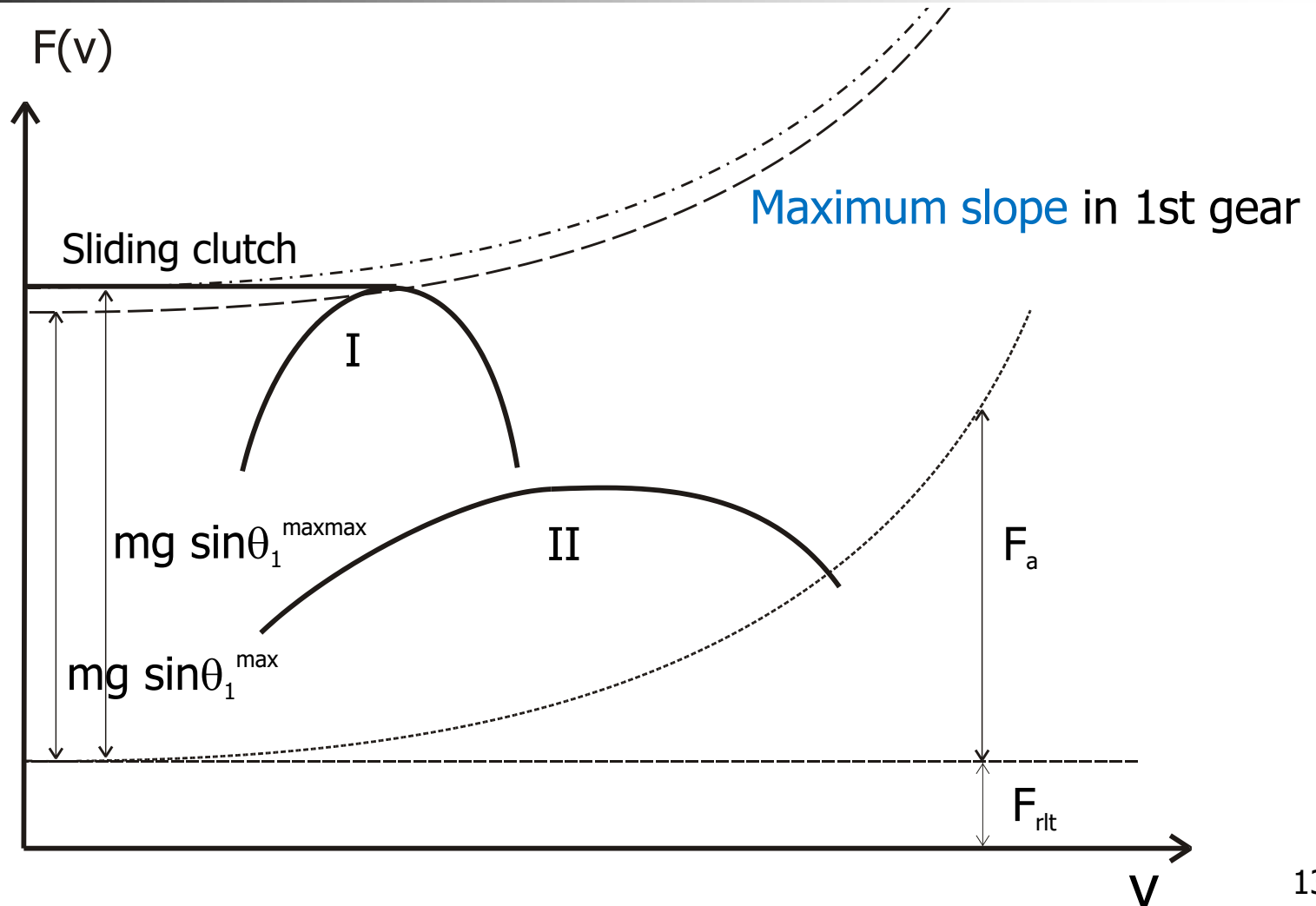
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Maximum speed

- For a given vehicle, tires, and engine, calculate the transmission ratio that gives rise to the **greatest maximum speed**
- Solve equality of tractive power and dissipative power of road resistance

$$\mathcal{P}_t = \mathcal{P}_{RES}$$

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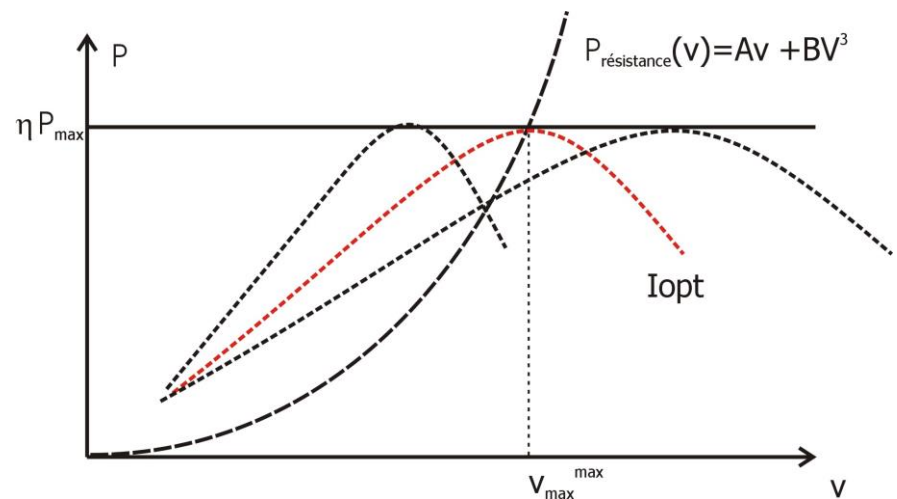
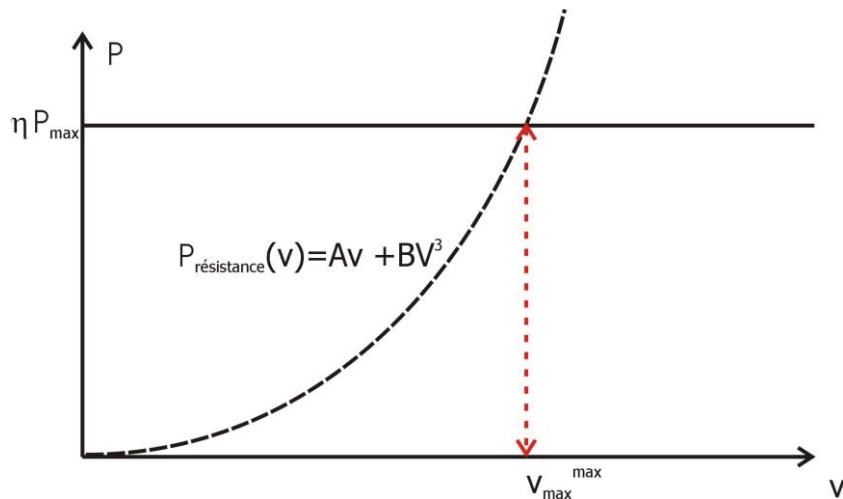
$$\mathcal{P}_{RES} = Av + Bv^3 \quad A, B > 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_t = \eta_t \mathcal{P}_p$$

- As the power of resistance forces is steadily increasing, the maximum speed is obtained when **using the maximum power of the power plant**

$$Av + Bv^3 = \eta_t \mathcal{P}_{max}$$

Maximum speed



$$Av + Bv^3 = \eta P_{max}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_t = \mathcal{P}_{RES}$$

$$\left(\frac{R}{i}\right)^* = \frac{v_{max}^{max}}{\omega_{nom}}$$



Maximum speed

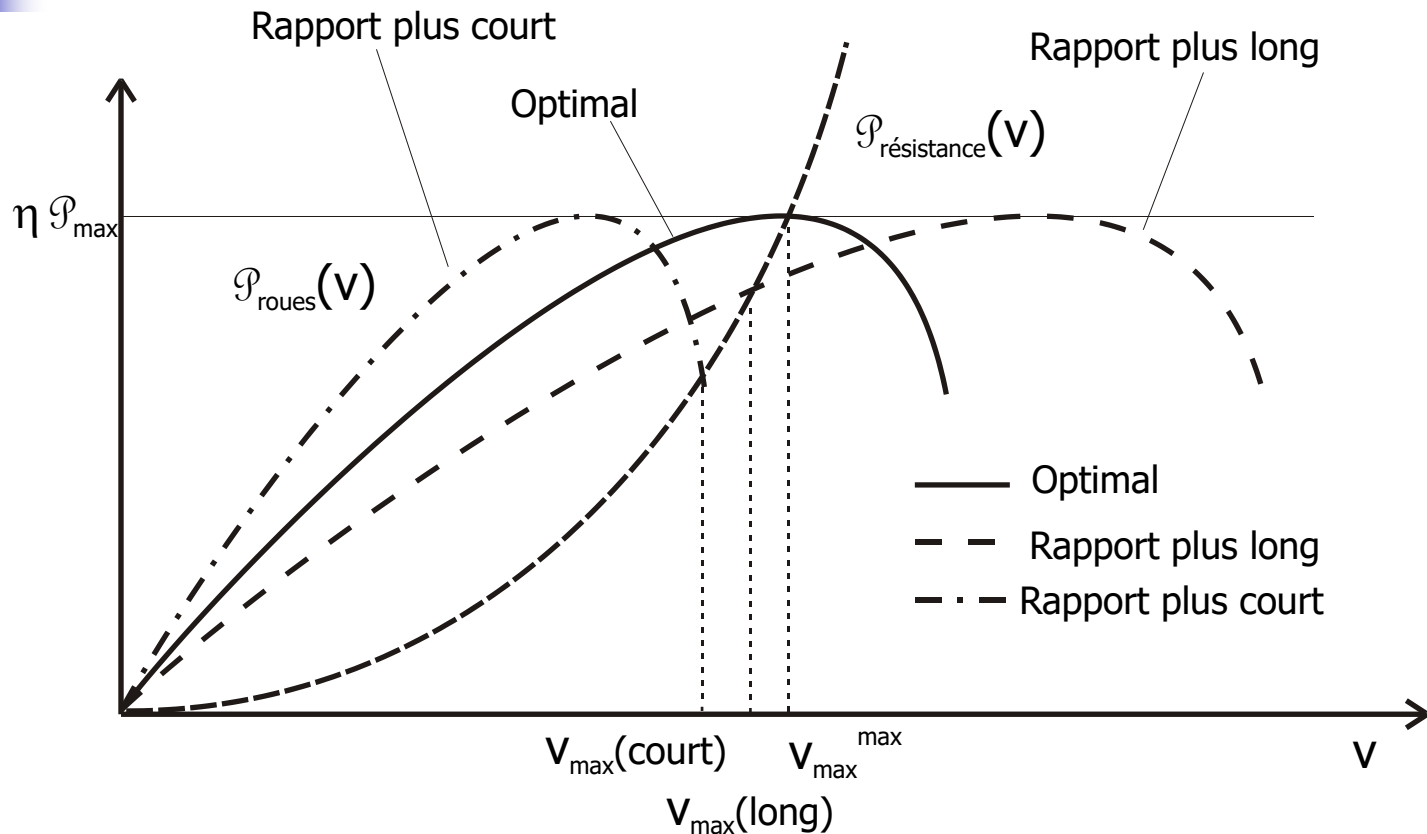
- Iterative scheme to solve the third order equation (fixed point algorithm of Picard) $x^{(k+1)} = f(x^{(k)})$

$$\begin{aligned}v^{(0)} &= 0 \\v^{(n+1)} &= \left(\frac{\eta \mathcal{P}_{max} - A v^{(n)}}{B} \right)^{1/3}\end{aligned}$$

- Once the maximum speed is determined the **optimal transmission ratio** can be easily calculated by since it occurs for the nom rotation speed:

$$\left(\frac{R}{i} \right)^* = \frac{v_{max}^{max}}{\omega_{nom}} \qquad i^* = \frac{\omega_{nom} \cdot R_e}{v_{max}^{max}}$$

Max speed for given reduction ratio



Max speed is always reduced compared to v_{\max}^{\max}



Max speed for given reduction ratio

- Solve equation of equality of tractive and resistance power, but this time, the plant rotation speed is also unknown.

$$\begin{cases} \eta_t \mathcal{P}(\omega) = \mathcal{P}_{RES} = Av_{max} + Bv_{max}^3 \\ \omega = v \frac{\bar{i}}{R_e} \end{cases}$$

- Let's eliminate the rotation speed of the engine to find a single nonlinear equation to solve

$$\mathcal{P}_{RES} = Av_{max} + Bv_{max}^3 = \eta_t \mathcal{P}\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{R}v_{max}\right)$$



Max speed for given reduction ratio

- Solve equation of equality of tractive and resistance power, but this time, the plant rotation speed is also varying.

$$\mathcal{P}_{RES} = Av_{max} + Bv_{max}^3 = \eta_t \mathcal{P}\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{R}v_{max}\right)$$

- Numerical solution using a fixed-point algorithm (Picard iteration scheme)

$$v^{(0)} = 0 \quad \text{ou} \quad v^{(0)} = v_{max}^{max}$$

$$\omega^{(k)} = v^{(k)} \frac{\bar{i}}{R_e}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^{(k)} = \eta_t \mathcal{P}(\omega^{(k)})$$

$$v^{(k+1)} = \left(\frac{\mathcal{P}^{(k)} - Av^{(k)}}{B} \right)^{1/3}$$



Selection of the top gear ratio

- Design specifications for the top gear ratio in connection with the top speed criteria (from Wong)
 - To be able to reach a given top speed with the given engine
 - To be able to maintain a given constant speed (from 88 to 96 km/h) while overcoming a slope of at least 3% with the selected top gear ratio
- These specifications enable to select a proper top gear ratio
 - The first requirement enables to select a first gear ratio
 - The second condition enforces to select a gear ratio that gives rise to an engine rotation speed that is just above the nominal rotation speed (and the max power) in order to save a sufficient power reserve to keep a constant speed while climbing a small slope, overcoming wind gusts or accounting for loss of engine performance with ageing.



Maximum slope

- For the maximum slope the vehicle can climb, two criteria must be checked:
- The **maximum tractive force available** at wheel to balance the grading force

$$F_t \geq F_{RES} \simeq F_{GRADE} = mg \sin \theta$$

- The **maximum force that can be transmitted to the road** because of tire friction and weight transfer

$$F_{w,f} \leq \mu W_f \qquad F_{w,r} \leq \mu W_r$$

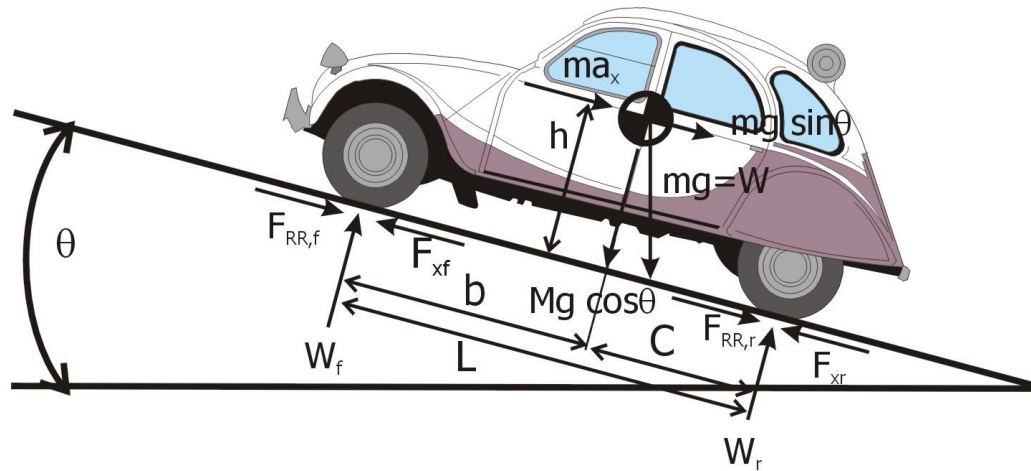


Maximum slope

Surface	Peak Value μ
Asphalt and concrete (dry)	0.8-1.2
Asphalt (wet - 0.2 mm depth)	0.5-0.8
Gravel	0.4
Asphalt (wet - 2.0 mm depth)	0.05-0.5
Earth road (dry)	0.68
Earth road (wet)	0.55
Snow (hard-packed)	0.2
Ice	0.1

Table 1: Average values of friction coefficients for various road conditions

Maximum slope



- Vertical equilibrium

$$m g \cos \theta = W_f + W_r$$

- Rotational equilibrium about rear wheels contact point

$$W_f L + m g \sin \theta h + m a_x h = m g \cos \theta c$$

- Rotational equilibrium about front wheels contact point

$$W_r L = m g \cos \theta b + m g \sin \theta h + m a_x h$$



Maximum slope

- Limitation due to the friction coefficient

$$F_{w,f} \leq \mu W_f \qquad F_{w,r} \leq \mu W_r$$

- Normal forces under the front and rear wheel sets

$$W_f = mg \cos \theta \frac{c}{L} - mg \sin \theta \frac{h}{L} - m a_x \frac{h}{L}$$
$$W_r = mg \cos \theta \frac{b}{L} + mg \sin \theta \frac{h}{L} + m a_x \frac{h}{L}$$

- At low speed and constant speed ($a_x=0$)

$$W_f = mg \cos \theta \frac{c}{L} - mg \sin \theta \frac{h}{L}$$
$$W_r = mg \cos \theta \frac{b}{L} + mg \sin \theta \frac{h}{L}$$



Maximum slope

FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE with electronic power split

$$F_p = F_{w,f} + F_{w,r} \leq \mu (W_f + W_r)$$

$$\begin{aligned} mg \sin \theta + mg \cos \theta f_{RR} &\leq \mu \left(mg \cos \theta \frac{c}{L} + mg \cos \theta \frac{b}{L} \right) \\ &\leq \mu mg \cos \theta \end{aligned}$$

Maximum slope

$$\tan \theta \leq (\mu - f_{RR})$$



Maximum slope

FRONT WHEEL DRIVE

$$F_{w,f} \leq \mu W_f$$

$$mg \sin \theta + mg \cos \theta f \leq \mu mg \left(\cos \theta \frac{c}{L} - \sin \theta \frac{h}{L} \right)$$

Maximum slope

$$\tan \theta \leq \frac{\mu c/L - f}{1 + \mu h/L}$$



Maximum slope

REAR WHEEL DRIVE

$$F_{w,r} \leq \mu W_r$$

$$mg \sin \theta + mg \cos \theta f \leq \mu mg \left(\cos \theta \frac{b}{L} + \sin \theta \frac{h}{L} \right)$$

Maximum slope

$$\tan \theta \leq \frac{\mu b/L - f}{1 - \mu h/L}$$



Selection of first gear ration

- Maximum slope to be overcome, for instance $\theta_{\max} = 25\%$

$$F_{RES} = mg \sin \theta_{max} + mg f_{RR} \cos \theta$$

- Tractive force at wheels

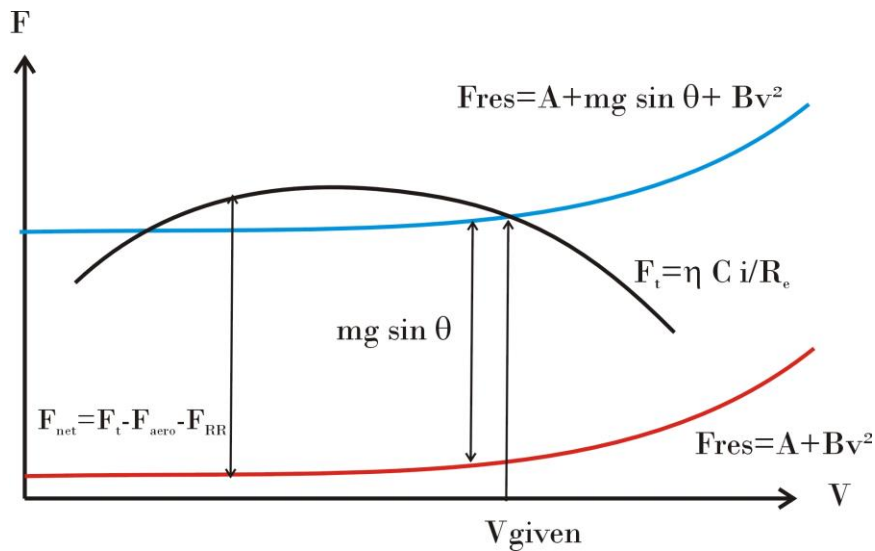
$$F_w = \eta_t \frac{i}{R_e} C_p$$

- Sizing of first gear ration

$$i_{max} = \frac{R_e F_{RES}}{\eta_t C_{max}}$$

$$i_{max} = \frac{R_e mg \sin \theta_{max}}{\eta_t C_{max}}$$

Maximum slope at high speed



- Check also nonslip condition

$$F_t \leq \mu W_f \quad F_t \leq \mu W_r$$

- What is the maximum grade that can be overcome at a given speed V is:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{F_t - F_{RR} - F_{aero}}{mg} = \frac{F_t^{net}}{mg}$$

- Gradeability is ruled by the net tractive force available

$$\begin{aligned} F_t^{net} &= F_t - F_{RR} - F_{aero} \\ &= F_t - mg f \cos \theta - 0,5 \rho S C_x V^2 \end{aligned}$$

- The tractive force is given by the speed

$$F_t(v) = \eta_t C \left(\omega = \frac{v}{R_e} i \right) \frac{i}{R_e}$$



Maximum slope at high speed

- The maximum slope can be evaluated as follows

$$\begin{aligned} F_t - F_{aero} - F_{RR} - mg \sin \theta &= 0 \\ \iff F_t - F_{aero} - mg \cos \theta f - mg \sin \theta &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- If we define

$$d = (F_t - F_{aero})/mg$$

- It comes :

$$\begin{aligned} d - \sin \theta &= f \cos \theta \\ (d - \sin \theta)^2 &= f^2 \cos^2 \theta \\ \iff d^2 - 2d \sin \theta + \sin^2 \theta &= f^2 (1 - \sin^2 \theta) \\ \iff (1 + f^2) \sin^2 \theta - 2d \sin \theta + (d^2 - f^2) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



Maximum slope at high speed

- It a second order equation in $\sin\theta$

$$(1 + f^2) \sin^2 \theta - 2d \sin \theta + (d^2 - f^2) = 0$$

- Solving for $\sin\theta$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}\sin \theta &= \frac{2d \pm \sqrt{4d^2 - 4(1 + f^2)(d^2 - f^2)}}{2(1 + f^2)} \\ &= \frac{d \pm \sqrt{d^2 - d^2 + f^2 - f^2d^2 + f^4}}{1 + f^2} \\ &= \frac{d \pm \sqrt{f^2 - d^2 f^2 + f^4}}{1 + f^2} = \frac{d \pm f \sqrt{1 - d^2 + f^2}}{1 + f^2}\end{aligned}$$

- It comes :

$$\sin \theta = \frac{d - f \sqrt{1 + f^2 - d^2}}{1 + f^2} \quad d = (F_t - F_{aero})/mg$$



Selection of gear ratios

- Goal of the selected gear ratio: to adapt the characteristics of engine operation (rotation speed, torque) to the vehicle speed.
- The top and lowest gear ratios are selected to
 - Match a given top speed
 - To be able to drive over given grading conditions, that is to develop sufficiently high tractive forces at wheels
- The distribution of intermediate gear ratios in between the top and lowest gear ratio is made to span the full range of operating speeds more or less smoothl
- In principle, the different gear ratios should render as much as possible the maximum power curve



Accelerations and elasticity



Acceleration performance

- Estimation of acceleration and elasticity is based on the second Newton law

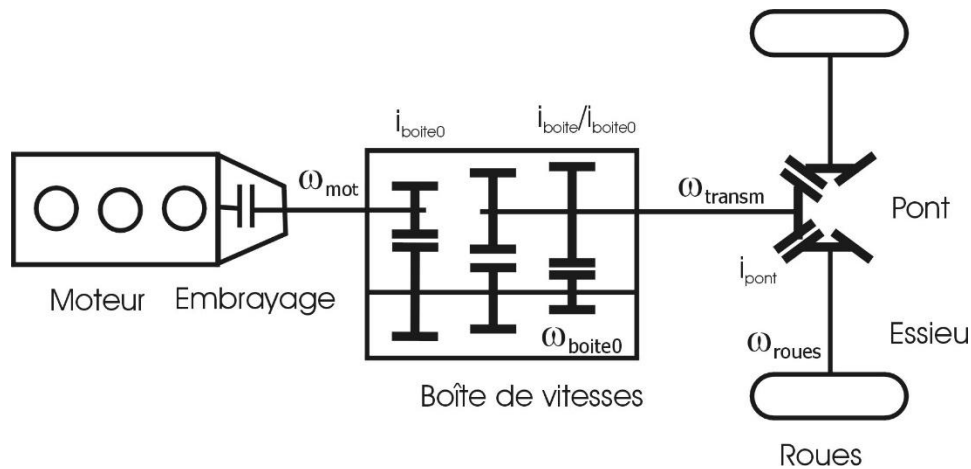
$$F_w - \sum F_{res} = F_{net} = m \frac{dV}{dt}$$

- **Warning:** when accelerating, the rotation speed of all driveline and transmission components is increasing: wheel sets, transmission shafts, gear boxes and differential, engine...
- ➔ **Effective mass** to account for the kinetic energy of all components (translation + rotation)

Effective mass

- Total kinetic energy of the vehicle and its driveline :

$$\begin{aligned}
 T = & 1/2 m v^2 + 1/2 (\sum I_w + I_{axle}) \omega_w^2 \\
 & + 1/2 (I_{transm} + I_{box2}) \omega_{transm}^2 \\
 & + 1/2 (I_{box0}) \omega_{box0}^2 \\
 & + 1/2 (I_{box1} + I_{clutch} + I_{crankshaft}) \omega_p^2
 \end{aligned}$$





Effective mass

- The rotation speed of the driveline components is linked to the longitudinal speed of the vehicle

$$\omega_w = v/R_e$$

$$\omega_w = \omega_{\text{transm}}/i_{\text{dif}}$$

$$\omega_w = \omega_{\text{box0}}/(i_{\text{dif}} * i_{\text{box}}/i_{\text{box0}})$$

$$\omega_w = \omega_p/(i_{\text{dif}} * i_{\text{box}})$$

- The kinetic energy writes

$$\begin{aligned} T = & 1/2 m v^2 + 1/2 (\sum I_w + I_{\text{axle}}) v^2 / R_e^2 \\ & + 1/2 (I_{\text{transm}} + I_{\text{box2}}) v^2 i_{\text{dif}}^2 / R_e^2 \\ & + 1/2 (I_{\text{box0}}) v^2 (i_{\text{dif}}^2 i_{\text{box}}^2 / i_{\text{box0}}^2) / R_e^2 \\ & + 1/2 (I_{\text{box1}} + I_{\text{clutch}} + I_{\text{crankshaft}}) v^2 i_{\text{dif}}^2 i_{\text{box}}^2 / R_e^2 \end{aligned}$$



Effective mass

- One defines an **effective mass** $T = 1/2 m_e v^2$

$$m_e = m + \frac{\sum I_w + I_{axle}}{R_e^2} + \frac{(I_{transm} + I_{box2}) i_{dif}^2}{R_e^2} + \frac{(I_{box0}) i_{dif}^2 i_{box}^2}{i_{box0}^2 R_e^2} + \frac{(I_{box1} + I_{clutch} + I_{crankshaft}) i_{dif}^2 i_{box}^2}{R_e^2}$$

- The calculation of the effective mass requires the knowledge of the geometry and inertia properties of all the driveline components
- Empirical formula** for preliminary design of cars by Wong

$$m_e = m_0 + m_1 i_{box}^2 \quad i = i_{dif} * i_{box}$$



Effective mass

- Empirical correction formula to estimate the effective mass of **passenger car propelled by piston engines** (Wong, 2001)

$$\gamma_m = \frac{m_e}{m} = 1.04 + 0.0025 i^2$$

- This estimation formula puts forward the major factors of the corrections :
 - Nearly negligible for low reduction ratios (4th and 5th gear ratios)
 - Rather important for high gear ratios : 1st and 2nd gear ratios
- **For railway systems**, γ is of an order of magnitude 1,02 to 1,30 for classical train and from 1,30 to 3,50 for rack trains)



Effective mass

- Example: Peugeot 308 1.6 HDi with 5 gear ratios

	i_{boite}	i	γ_m
1	3,95	13,63	1,5043
2	1,87	7,39	1,1764
3	1,16	4,58	1,0925
4	0,82	3,24	1,0662
5	0,66	2,61	1,0570

$$i_{\text{dif}} = 3,95$$



Velocity as a function of time

- We now proceed to time integration of Newton equation.

$$m_e \frac{dv}{dt} = F_w - \sum F_{res} = F_{net}(v)$$

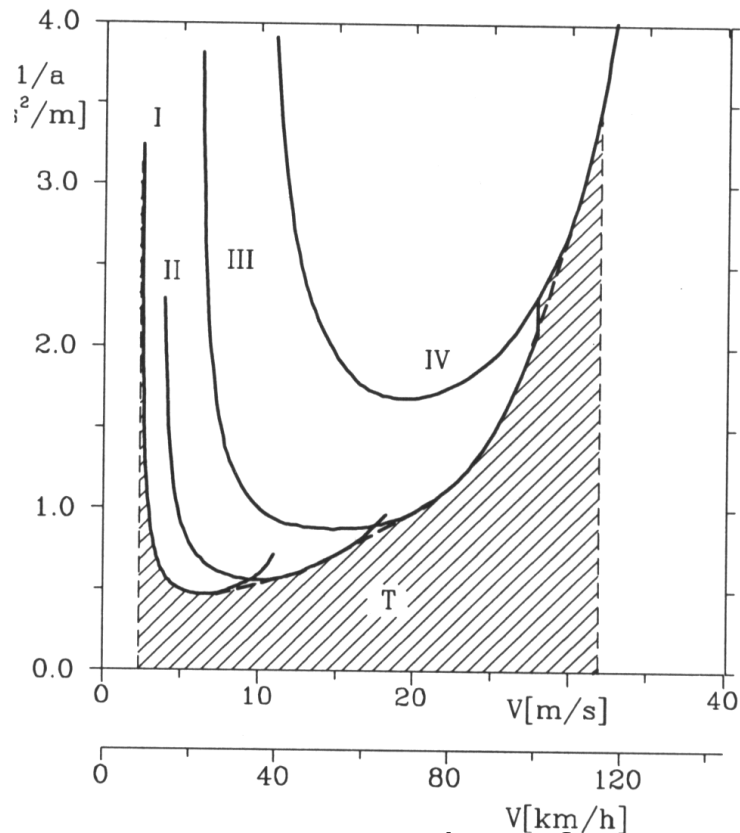
- Time to accelerate from V_1 to V_2 .

$$dt = \frac{m_e dv}{F_{net}(v)}$$

$$\Delta t_{V_1 \rightarrow V_2} = m_e \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{dv}{F_{net}(v)}$$

Velocity as a function of time

$$1/a = m_e / F_{net}$$



- Time to accelerate from V_1 to V_2 :

$$\Delta t_{V_1 \rightarrow V_2} = m_e \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{dv}{F_{net}(v)}$$

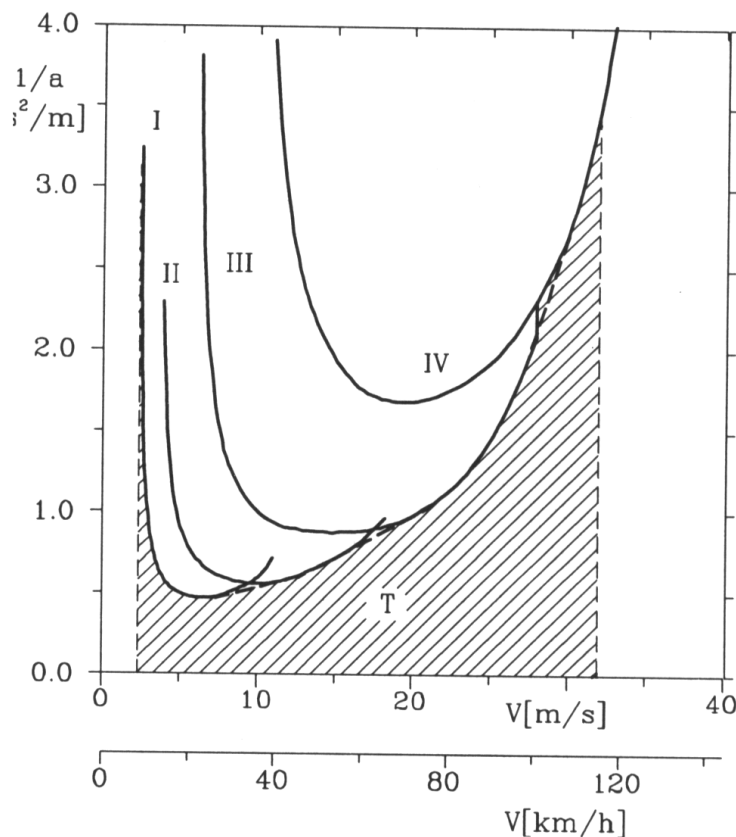
- Alternatively

$$F_{net}(v) = \mathcal{P}_{net}(v)/v$$

$$\Delta t_{V_1 \rightarrow V_2} = m_e \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{v dv}{\mathcal{P}_{net}(v)}$$

Genta Fig 4.20 : $1/F$ as function of time

Velocity as a function of time



- Criteria for gear ratio up shift in order to minimize the acceleration time
- If two curves intersects each other: **change the ratio at curve intersection**
- If there is no intersection, then it is necessary to push the ratio up to maximum rotation speed
- Lower limit is given by an infinite number of gear ratios, that is a Continuous Variables Transmission (CVT)

Genta Fig 4.20 : $1/F$ as function of time

Velocity as a function of time

- The solution of differential equation yields the time t as a function of the velocity

$$t = f(v)$$

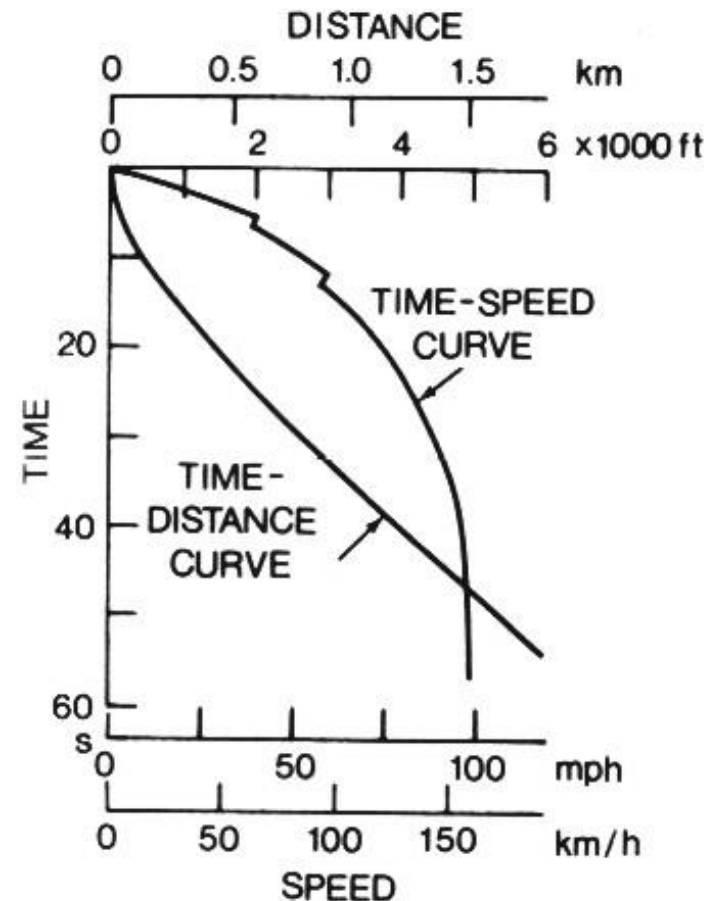
- The reciprocal function

$$v = g(t)$$

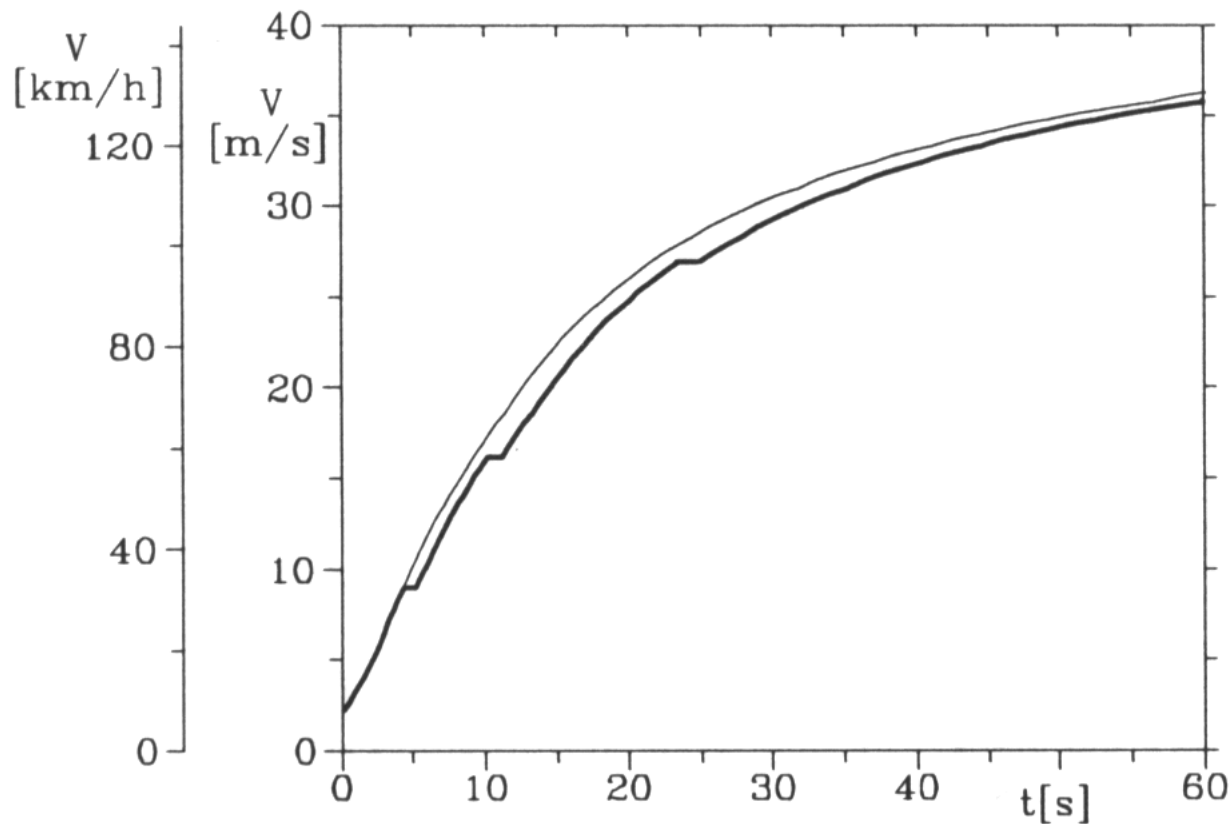
- requires to invert the relation

$$g = f^{-1}$$

- The changes of gear ratio must be taken into account



Velocity as a function of time



G. Genta Fig 4.21



Distance as a function of the speed

- The distance from start can be evaluated by a second integration of the Newton equation
- Velocity and distance are linked by the kinematic relation

$$dx = v dt$$

- It comes

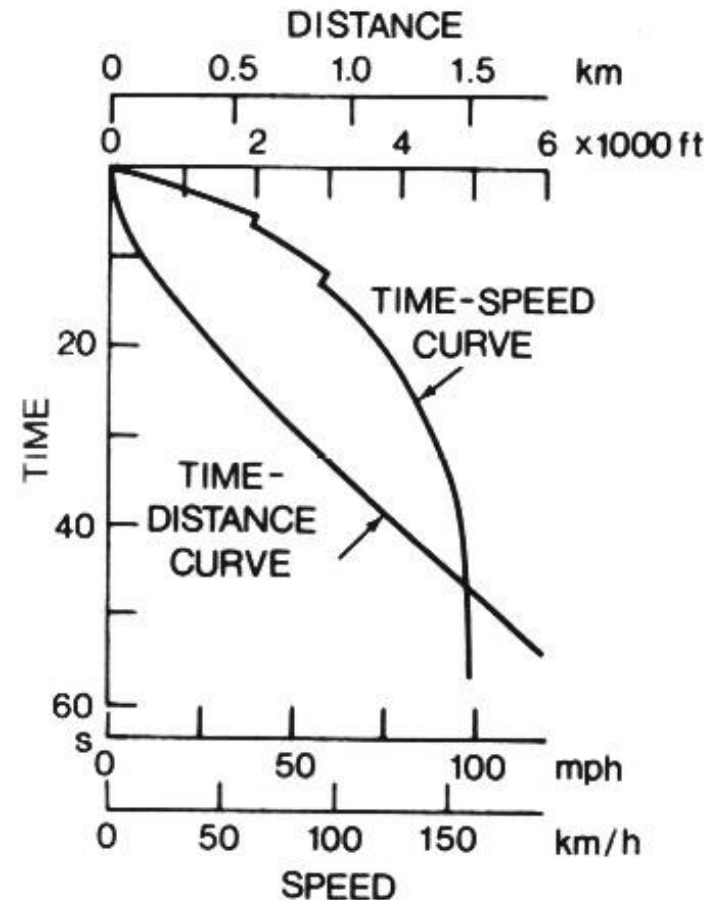
$$\Delta x_{V_1 \rightarrow V_2} = m_e \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{v dv}{F_{net}(v)}$$

Distance as a function of the time

- One can eliminate the velocity V between the two curves $t=f(V)$ and $d=h(V)$ and $d=h(V)$
- One gets the distance as a function of the time:

$$\Delta t = f(\Delta v) \quad \Delta x = h(\Delta v)$$

$\Delta x = h(f^{-1}(\Delta v))$





Change of gear ratio

- Criteria for changing the gear ratio.
- Gear ratio changing is a delicate operation that needs being studied in detail:
 - Changing the gear box ratio takes some time
 - Tractive force is interrupted
 - The vehicle is coasting and slows down
- For an expert driver
 - Small time to change the gear

$$\Delta t \approx 0,8s$$

- Reduction of the velocity can be estimated by the first order approximation

$$\Delta v \approx - \frac{F_{rés}(v)}{m_{\text{eff}}} \Delta t$$



Change of gear ratio

- When several gear change are necessary, the integration needs to be carried out by parts
- For instance

$$\begin{aligned} T_{V_1 \rightarrow V_2} = & \int_{V_1}^{V_{I \rightarrow II}} \frac{m_e(i_1) dv}{F_{net}(v)} + \Delta t + \int_{V_{II}}^{V_{II \rightarrow III}} \frac{m_e(i_2) dv}{F_{net}(v)} \\ & + \Delta t + \int_{V_{III}}^{V_2} \frac{m_e(i_3) dv}{F_{net}(v)} \end{aligned}$$

- with

$$\begin{aligned} V_{II} &= V_{I \rightarrow II} - \frac{F_{RES}(V_{I \rightarrow II})}{m_e} \Delta t \\ V_{III} &= V_{II \rightarrow III} - \frac{F_{RES}(V_{II \rightarrow III})}{m_e} \Delta t \end{aligned}$$