MECA0527: PARALLEL HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES. DESIGN AND CONTROL

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- Introduction
- Control strategies
 - Maximum state-of-charge of peak power source strategy
 - Engine on-off strategy
- Sizing of the major components

- Parallel hybrid drivetrains allow both engine and electric traction motor to supply their power to the driven wheels
- <u>Advantages</u> of parallel hybrid electric vehicles vs series hybrid
 - Generator is not necessary (save one component)
 - Electric traction motor is smaller
 - Reduce the multiple energy conversions from the engine to the driven wheels → Higher overall efficiency
- Counterparts
 - Control of parallel hybrids is more complex because of the mechanical coupling between the ICE engine and the driven wheels
 - No general design methodology: a design approach may be valid for only one particular configuration.
 - Design results for one configuration may be applicable for only a particular given environment and mission requirements.



Configuration parallel torque coupling hybrid electric drive train [Ehsani et al. 2005]

- Here: focus on the design methodology of parallel hybrid drivetrains with torque coupling which operate on the electrically peaking principle
 - Engine supplies its power to meet the base load operating at a given constant speed on flat and mild grade roads or working at an average load in case of a stop-and-go drive pattern.
 - Electrical traction supplies the power to meet the peaking fluctuating part of the load.
- This is an alternative option to mild hybrids



- In normal urban and highway driving, the base load is much lower than the peaking load
- Engine power rating is thus lower than electrical power rating

 downsizing
- Because of the better torque / speed characteristics of electric traction motors (compared to the engine) <u>a transmission with a</u> <u>single ratio is often sufficient</u> for the electric drivetrain.

- Objective of this lesson:
 - Design of parallel hybrid electric drivetrains with torque coupling
- Design specifications:
 - 1. Satisfy the performance requirements (gradeability, acceleration, max cruising speed, etc.)
 - 2. Achieve high overall efficiency
 - **3.** Maintain the battery state-of-charge (SOC) at a reasonable level during operation without charging from outside the vehicle
 - **4.** Recover a maximum of braking energy

- Available <u>operation modes</u> in parallel hybrid drive train;
 - Engine alone traction
 - Electric alone traction
 - Hybrid traction (engine + electric motor)
 - Regenerative braking
 - Peak power source (batteries) charging mode
- During operation, the proper operation mode should be used to:
 - Meet the traction torque requirements
 - Achieve high level of efficiency
 - Maintain a reasonable level of SOC of PPS
 - Recover as much as possible braking energy



CONTROL STRATEGIES

Vehicle controller



- Control level based on a two-level control scheme
 - Level 2: vehicle level = high level controller
 - Level 1: low level controller = subordinate controllers
 - Engine, motor, brake, battery, etc.



Overall control scheme of the parallel hybrid drive train

Vehicle system level controller

- Control commander
- Assign torque commands to lower-level controllers (local or component controllers)
- Command based on
 - Driver demand
 - Component characteristics and feed back information from components (torque, speed)
 - Preset control strategies
- Vehicle system controller has a central role in the operation of drive train
 - Fulfill various operation modes with correct control commands to each components
 - Achieve an overall high efficiency

- Component controllers
 - Engine, motor, batteries, brakes, torque coupler, gear box, clutches, etc.
 - Control the components to make them work properly
 - Control operations of corresponding components to meet the requirements from the drivetrain and to reach prescribed values assigned by system controller

- When vehicle is operating in a stop-and-go driving pattern, batteries must deliver their power to the drivetrain frequently. PPS tends to be discharged quickly.
- So, maintaining a high SOC is necessary to ensure vehicle performance
- Max state-of-charge is an adequate option.



Various operation modes based on power demand



Electric Motor alone propelling mode:

- If the vehicle speed is below a preset value V_{eb}, a vehicle speed below which the engine cannot operate properly in steady state
- Electric motor alone supplies the whole power to the driven wheels
- Engine is shut down or idling

$$P_e = P_{\rm ICE} = 0$$

$$P_{e-m} = \frac{P_L}{\eta_{t,e-m}} > 0$$
$$P_{\text{PPS}-d} = \frac{P_{e-m}}{\eta_{e-m}} < 0$$



Ehsani et al. 2005

Hybrid propelling mode:

- Example: case A
- Load demand is greater than the engine power
- Both engine and e-motor have to deliver their power to the wheels simultaneously
- Engine operates at its max efficiency line by controlling the throttle to produce P_e
- Remaining power is supplied by the electric motor P_{e-m}



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$$P_{e-m} = \frac{P_L - \eta_{t,e} P_{ICE}}{\eta_{t,e-m}} > 0$$
$$P_{PPS-d} = \frac{P_{e-m}}{\eta_{e-m}} < 0$$



Batteries / PPS charging mode:

- Situation of for instance point B
- When the power demand is less than the power produced by engine in its optimum operation line

When batteries are below their max SOC

- Engine is operated in its optimum line
- E-motor works as a generator and converts the extra power of the engine into electro power stored in batteries

[Ehsani et al. 2005]



Batteries / PPS charging mode:

$$P_e = P_{\rm ICE}^{opt}(V = \omega R_e) > 0$$

$$P_{e-m} = \left(P_{\text{ICE}} - \frac{P_L}{\eta_{t,e}}\right) \eta_{t,e,m} \eta_{e-m} < 0$$
$$P_{\text{PPS}-c} = P_{e-m} > 0$$

with

$$\eta_{t,e,m} = \eta_{t,e} \ \eta_{t,e-m}$$

[Ehsani et al. 2005]



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Engine alone propelling mode:

 When load power demand (point B) is less than power engine can produce while operating on its optimum efficiency line

When PPS has reached its maximum SOC

- Engine alone supplies the power operating at part load
- Electric motor is off

$$P_e = \frac{P_L}{\eta_{t,e}} > 0$$

$$P_{e-m} = 0$$

$$P_{\text{PPS}-c} = 0$$



Regenerative alone braking mode:

- When braking demand power is less than the maximum regeneration capability of electric motor (point D)
- Electric motor is controlled to work as a generator to absorb the demand power

$$P_{\text{e-m-braking}} = P_L \eta_{t,e-m} \eta_{e-m} < 0$$

 $P_{\text{PPS}-c} = P_{\text{e-m-braking}}$

[Ehsani et al. 2005]



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Hybrid braking mode:

- When braking demand power is greater than maximum regeneration capability of electric motor (point C)
- Electric motor is controlled to deliver its maximum braking regenerative power
- Mechanical brakes provide the remaining part

$$P_{\text{e-m-braking}} = P_{\text{e-m-braking}}^{max} \eta_{e-m} < 0$$

 $P_{\text{PPS}-c} = P_{\text{e-m-braking}}$

 $P_{\text{M-Brakes}} = P_{\text{Brake}} - P_{\text{e-m-braking}}$



Flowchart of max SOC of PPS strategy

On-off control strategy

- Similar strategy to the one used in series hybrid drive train
- Engine on-off strategy may be used in some operation conditions, typically:
 - With low speed and moderate accelerations
 - When engine can produce easily enough extra power to recharge quickly the batteries
- Engine on-off is controlled by the SOC of the PPS or batteries
- When SOC reaches its max level, engine is turned off and vehicle is propelled in electric mode only
- When SOC reaches again its low level, engine is turned on and propelled by the engine in PPS charging mode until max SOC is reached

On-off control strategy



Illustration of thermostat control

[Ehsani et al. 2005]

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DESIGN OF A PARALLEL HYBRID

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Design of parallel hybrid components

- Key parameters
 - Engine power
 - Electric motor power
 - Gear ratio of transmissions
 - Batteries or peak power sources
- Great influence on the overall vehicle performance and operation efficiency
- Design methodology
 - 1/ Preliminary choice based on performance requirements
 - 2/ Accurate selection with detailed simulations

Illustrative design example

- Design specification
 - M=1500 kg
 - f = 0,01 Re=0,279 m Cx= 0,3 S=2 m²
 - Transmission ratio efficiency: η_{t,e}=0,9

η_{t,em}=0,95

- Performance specifications
 - Acceleration time (0 to 100 km/h): 10 ± 1 s
 - Maximum gradeability: 30% @ low speed and 5% @ 100 km/h
 - Maximum speed 160 km/h

- Engine should supply sufficient power to support the vehicle operation at normal constant speed on both flat or mild grade road without the help of PPS
- Engine should be able to produce an average power that is larger than the load power requested when operating in a stopand-go pattern

Operating on highway at constant speed on flat road or mild grade road

$$P_{\rm ICE} = \frac{P_{\rm RES}}{\eta_{t,e}} = \frac{V}{\eta_{t,e}} \left(mgf\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}\rho SC_x V^2 + mg\sin\theta \right)$$

- Illustrative example
 - V=160 km/h requires 42 kW
 - With a gear box with 4 ratios
 - Engine allows driving road at 5 % at 92 km/h in gear 4 road at 5 % at 110 km/h in gear 3



 Engine is able to supply the average power requirement in stopand-go driving cycles

$$P^{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \left(mgf + \frac{1}{2}\rho SC_x V^2 \right) V \, dt \, + \, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \gamma \, m \left[\frac{dV}{dt} \right]_+ \, V \, dt$$
$$- \frac{\alpha}{T} \int_0^T \gamma \, m \left[\frac{dV}{dt} \right]_- \, V \, dt$$

- The average power depends on the degree of regeneration braking (α coefficient).
- Two extreme cases: full and zero regenerative braking:
 - Full regenerative braking (α=1.0) recovers all the energy dissipated in braking and can be calculated as above
 - No regenerative braking (α=0.0), average power is larger so that when power is negative, third term is set to zero.



[Ehsani et al. 2005]

Instantaneous and average power with full and regenerative braking in typical driving cycles

- Average power of the engine must be greater than the average power load.
- Problem is more difficult than in series hybrid because the engine is coupled to the driven wheels
 - Engine rotation speed varies with vehicle speed
 - Engine power varies with rotation speed and vehicle speed
- Estimation of the average power delivered by the engine in variable conditions: → Calculate the average power that the engine can produce with full open throttle during a given driving cycle

$$P_{\rm ICE}^{ave} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T P_{\rm ICE}(\omega_e = i \frac{V}{R_e}) dt$$

42 kW Engine is OK



Average power of a 42 kW engine

- Electric motor function is to supply the peak power to the drivetrain
- Design criteria: provide acceleration performance and peak power demand in typical driving cycles
- Difficult to directly design the e-motor power for a prescribed acceleration performance
- Methodology
 - Provide good estimates first in a preliminary approach
 - Final design with detailed simulations
- Assumption to calculate some initial estimates
 - Steady state road loads (rolling resistance, aero drag) are handled by engine while dynamic load (acceleration) is handled by electric motor

 Acceleration related to the torque output of the electric motor working alone

$$\eta_{t,e-m} \frac{C_{e-m} i_{t,e-m}}{R_e} = \gamma m \; \frac{dV}{dt}$$

Power rating

$$P_{e-m} = \frac{\gamma \, m}{2 \, \eta_{t,e-m} \, t_a} \, (V_f^2 + V_B^2)$$

- Illustrative example
 - Passenger car V_{max} =160 km/h, V_{b} =40 km/h (x=4), V_{f} =100 km/h
 - t_a (0 100km/h)=10 s, γ=1,04



[Ehsani et al. 2005]

- Illustrative example
 - Passenger car V_{max}=160 km/h, V_b=40 km/h, V_f=100 km/h
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 $P_{e-m} = 74 \,\mathrm{kW}$



Engine remaining power: 17 kW $P_{e-m} = 74 - 17 = 57 \text{ kW}$

- The approach overestimates the emotor power, because the engine has some remaining power to accelerate the vehicle also
- Average remaining power of the engine used to accelerate the vehicle

$$P_{\text{ICE},accel} = \frac{1}{t_a - t_i} \int_{t_i}^{t_a} (P_{\text{ICE}} - P_{\text{RES}}) dt$$

 This value depends on gear ratio, so that it varies with the engaged gear ratio and it increases with the gear ratio.

- When the power ratings of engine and electric motor are initially designed, more accurate calculations must be carried out to assess the precise vehicle performance:
 - Max speed
 - Gradeability
 - Acceleration
- Gradeability and max speed can be obtained from the diagram of tractive effort and resistance forces vs speed



Illustrative example

 At 100 km/h, gradeabiltiy of 4,6% for engine alone and 18,14% for hybrid mode

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Illustrative example

 Acceleration performance for 0-100 km/h:

[Ehsani et al. 2005]

Transmission design

Transmission ratio for electric motor

 Because the electric motor supplies the peak power and because it has a high torque at low speed, <u>a single ratio</u> <u>transmission between motor and the driven wheels</u> is generally sufficient to produce high torque for hill climbing and acceleration

Transmission ratio for engine

 Multi gear transmission between engine and wheels can enhance the vehicle performance

Transmission design

Multi gear transmission ratio between engine and wheels

- (+) Increase the remaining power of the engine and so the vehicle performance (acceleration and gradeability)
- (+) Energy storage can be charged with the large engine power
- (+) Improve the vehicle fuel economy because the engine can operate closer to its optimal speed
- (-) More complex system
- (-) Heavier and larger
- (-) Complicated automatic gear shifting control

 Batteries and PPS are sized according to the power and to the energy capacity criteria

POWER CAPACITY

 Battery power must be greater than the input electric power of the electric motor

$$P_{\rm PPS} \ge \frac{P_{e-m}^{max}}{\eta_{e-m}}$$

ENERGY CAPACITY

- Related to the energy consumption in various driving patterns (mainly full load acceleration and typical driving cycles)
- Evaluate the energy required from the PPS and from the engine during acceleration period

$$E_{\text{PPS}} = \int_{0}^{t_{a}} \frac{P_{e-m}}{\eta_{e-m}} dt$$
$$E_{\text{ICE}} = \int_{0}^{t_{a}} P_{ICE} dt$$

- Illustrative example:
 - Energy from batteries 0,3 kWh



ENERGY CAPACITY

 Energy capacity must meet the energy requirements during driving pattern in drive cycles

$$\Delta E = \int_0^T \left(P_{\text{PPS-d}<0} - P_{\text{PPS-c}>0} \right) \, dt$$

- For a given control energy strategy charging and discharging power of energy storage can be obtained from simulation
- Generally, the energy consumption (and capacity sizing) is dominated by full load acceleration



Simulation results for FTP75 <u>urban driving</u> cycle ⁴⁹

- Not all energy stored can be used to deliver power to the drive train
 - Batteries: low SOC will limit power output and reduce the efficiency because of the increasing internal resistance
 - Ultracapacitors: low SOC results in low voltage and affects the performances
 - Flywheels: low SOC is low flywheel velocity and low voltage at electric machine to exchange port
- Only part of the stored energy can be available for use
- Part available is given by a certain percentage of its SOC

$$\Delta E \in [\text{SOC}_{max} - \text{SOC}_{min}]$$

Energy capacity of the energy storage

$$\Delta E_{\rm SCap} = \frac{\Delta E_{max}}{\rm SOC}_{max} - \rm SOC}_{min}$$

- Illustrative example
 - ▲E= 0,3 kWh
 - SOC_{max}-SOC_{min}=0,3
 - Ecap= 1 kWh

$$\Delta E_{\rm SCap} = \frac{0.3}{0.3} = 1 \, \rm kW$$

Accurate simulation

- Once the major components have been designed, the drive train has to be simulated to obtain a detailed assessment of the vehicle
- Simulation on typical drivetrain brings useful information:
 - Engine power
 - Electric motor power
 - Energy changes in energy storage
 - Engine operating points
 - Motor operating points
 - Fuel consumption

Accurate simulation



Accurate simulation

SIZING OF PARALLEL HYBRID VEHICLES USING SIMULATION AND NUMERICAL OPTIMIZATION

Application: bus optimization

- Modelling & Simulation: ADVISOR
- VanHool A300 Bus
 - Typical 12 meters bus used by public operators in Belgium
- Reference propulsion system
 - ICE Man diesel engine 205 kW (here Detroit Diesel engine from ADVISOR)
 - Number of passengers: 33-110
 → here 66 passengers
- Driving Cycles
 - SORT 2 Bus Drive Cycle by IUTP
 - Commercial speed: 17 kph (urban driving situation)

TABLE I TABLE 1: VANHOOL A300 CHARACTERISTICS

Engine	Power	205 kW
	Max Efficiency	44 %
Aerodynamics	Wet surface	7.24 m^2
	Cx	0.79
Tires	Rolling resistance	0.00938
	Rolling Radius	0.5 m

Hybrid Electric Vehicles

Hybrid Hydraulic Vehicle

New reversible hydraulic motor /pump: Low drag, high efficiency, fluid=water → Parker P2 or P3 series Hydraulic accumulators (HP) / Reservoir (LP): high efficiency (95%) En.: 0,63 Wh/kg Power ~ 90 kW/kg → Hydac 58

ECOEFFICIENCY: AN OPTIMIZATION APPROACH

 Parametric models (scaling factors) in ADVISOR

- Simulation of performances and fuel consumption & emissions against
- A parametric study is made in BOSS QUATTRO to construct some response surface approximations of US and Ecoscore

 The ecoefficiency design optimization problem is solved using a multi objective genetic algorithm (MOGA) available in BOSS-QUATTRO based on response surface method

Optimization: Problem Statement

• Mathematical multi objective design problem statement: Minimize: $F(X) = \{f_1(X) = \tilde{E}_{\text{Ecoscore}}, f_2(X) = 1/\tilde{US}\}$

With respect to $X = (P_{ICE}, P_{e-motor}, N_{Bat/SCap})$

Subject to: $t_{acc:0-60km/h} \leq 20 \text{ s}$ $V_{max} \geq 100 \text{ km/h}$ $\theta_{max} \geq 5 \%$ $m \leq 20000 \text{ kg}$ $Cost \leq 500.000 \text{ euro}$ $150 \leq P_{ICE} \leq 200$ $50 \leq P_{e-motor} \leq 100$ $400 \leq N_{Bat} \leq 800$

Numerical Application

TABLE II Optimized components sizes comparison Components

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NBat, UCP, HACC

PICE

Pmotor

Many thanks for your kind attention

All the best in your future professional life

