

Fuel Cell Electrical Vehicle : Design and optimization



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Objectives

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- Main objective :
 - ▣ Achieve the most energy efficient Hybrid **Fuel Cell** Electrical Vehicle (HFCEV)
=> participation to Shell Eco Marathon race (<https://www.makethefuture.shell>)
- Actions :
 - ▣ Mechanical : Build a car with very low mass and very low frictions (aero. drag and rolling resistance)
 - ▣ Electrical / thermal / electrochemical :
 - Design of a fuel cell stack with high efficiency (>60 % with accessories)
 - Optimize the energy conversion / consumption / structure
 - ▣ Control : Optimize driving strategy
- Presented work :
 - ▣ General information about Fuel Cell and benefits of hybrid structures for electrical powertrain
 - ▣ A Tank-to-wheel energetic model of the vehicle : Mechanical, Electrical and Thermal models and Optimization of the driving strategy to minimize the fuel consumption

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- Comparison between Internal combustion Engine vehicle (ICEV), Fuel Cell Electrical vehicle (FCEV) , Battery Electrical vehicle (BEV). Stage of maturity ?

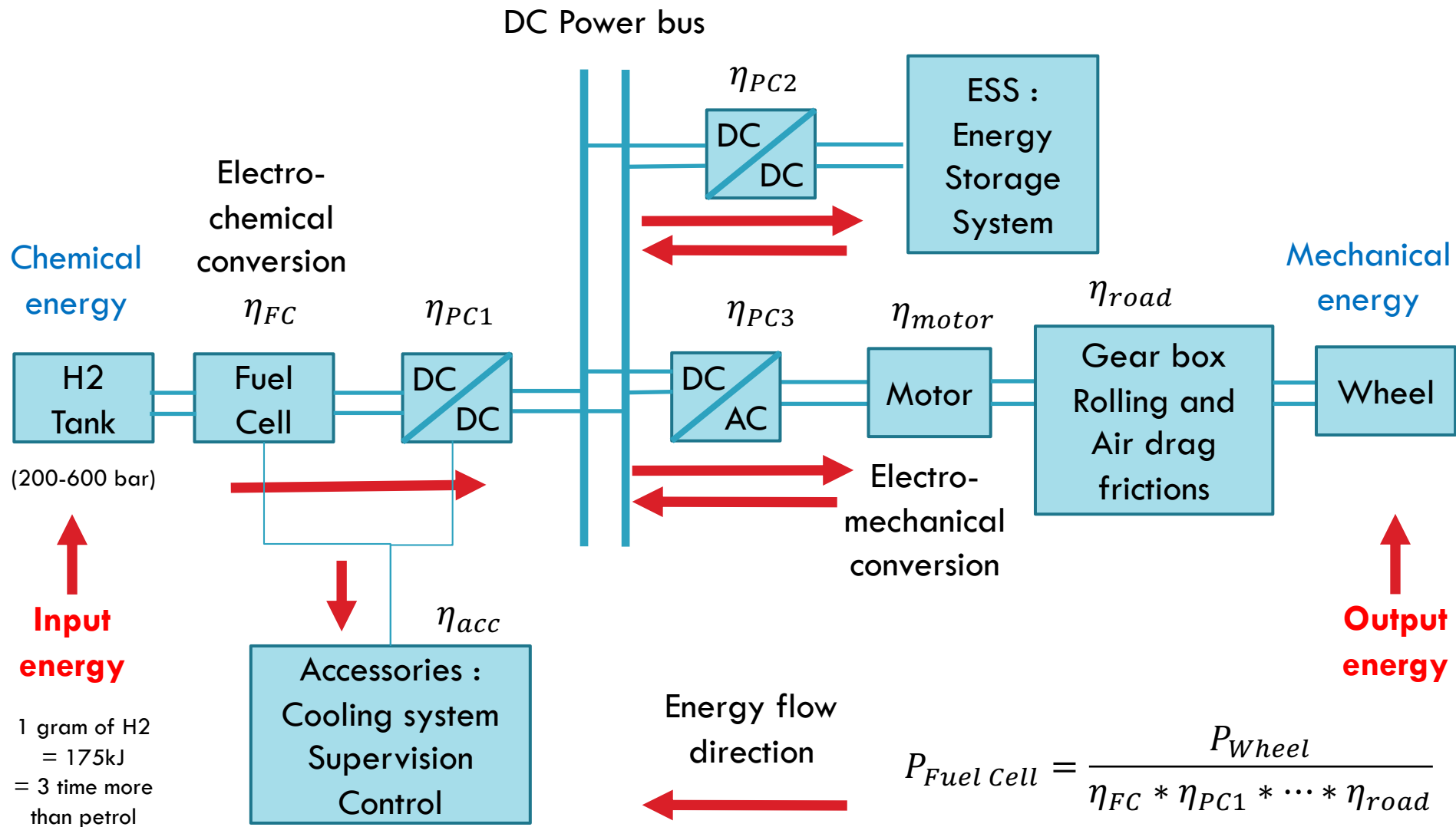
Characteristics	ICEV	FCEV	BEV	
Reference vehicle	Volkswagen Golf VI	Honda FCX Clarity	Nissan Leaf	
Fuel weight (kg)	40.8	4.1	171	→ H2 best energy mass density (Wh/Kg)
Storage capacity (kWh)	500	137	24	
Specific energy – fuel (Wh primary/kg)	12,264	33,320	140	
Storage system weight (kg)	48	93	300	→ Weight limitation of BEV / FCEV
Specific energy – fuel + storage (Wh primary/kg)	10,408	1469	80	
Net power (kW)	90	100	80	
Power plant and auxiliary weight (kg)	233	222	100	
Specific energy – total equipment (Wh primary/kg)	1782	315	60	
Average conversion efficiency	21%	60%	92%	→ Higher efficiency FCEV / ICEV
Effective storage capacity (kWh usable)	105.0	82.0	22.1	
Specific usable energy – total equipment (Wh usable/kg)	374	260	55	→ Range extension with FCEV / BEV (200km vs 550km)

=> FCEV a promising solution for long range vehicle and lower impact on environment (drawback : production of dihydrogen must be improved probably with renewable energies)

(*)Intelligent Hydrogen Fuel Cell Range Extender for Battery Electric Vehicles, May 2019, World Electric Vehicle Journal

Global structure of FCEV

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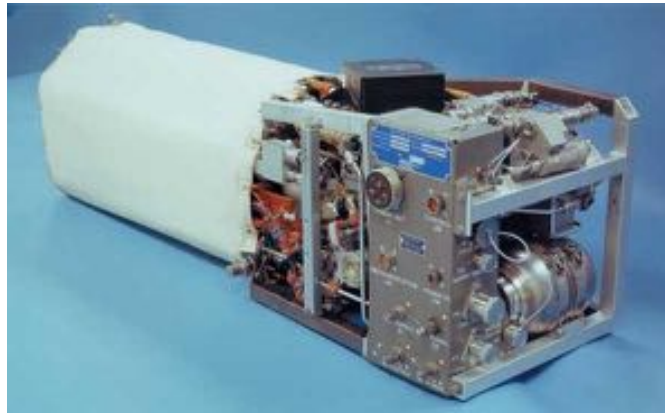
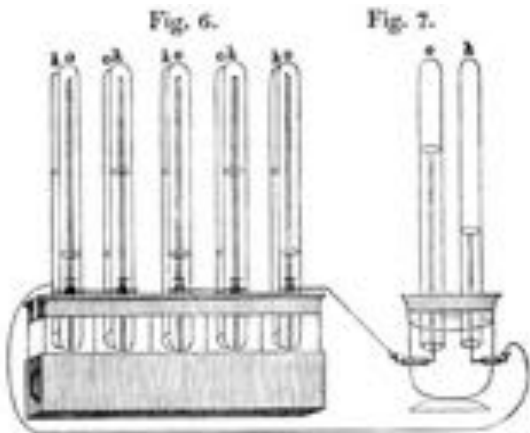


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□ Some history

- ▣ 1839 - William GROVE discover the principle of Fuel Cell
- ▣ 1960 – Space travels revive fuel cell developments
 - Chemical storage
 - No emission of toxic gas
 - Very long energy life
- ▣ Today – Production of renewable energy



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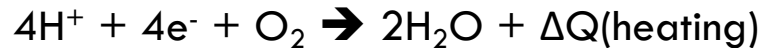
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□ Fuel cell principle (Proton Exchange Membrane, PEMFC, electrochemical converter) :

■ Anode : Separation of dihydrogen

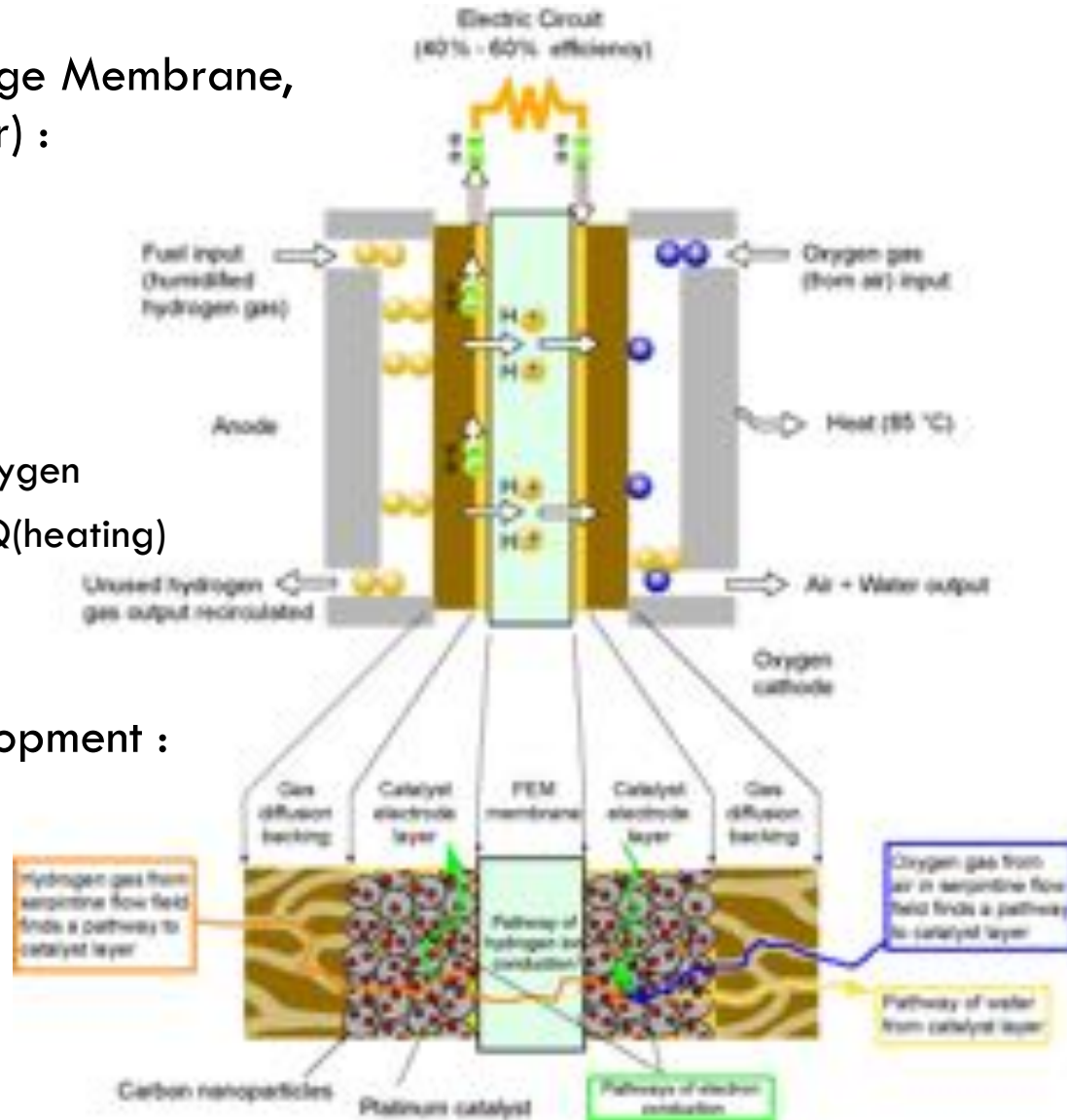


■ Cathode : Recombination with dioxygen



□ Main issues for large scale development :

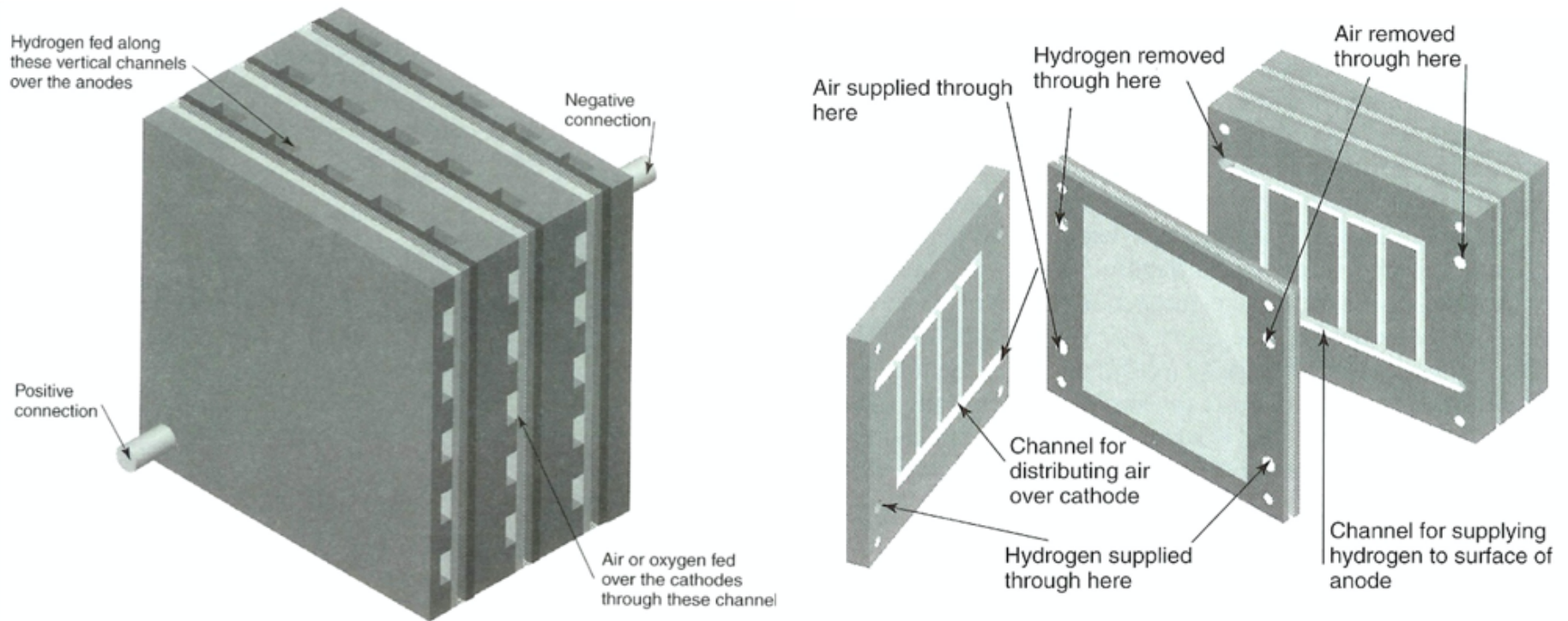
- lifetime
- Price
- Flooding
- H₂ storage and production



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- Fuel cell principle (Proton Exchange Membrane, PEMFC) :



Example of stack of three cells showing how a bipolar plate connects the anode of one cell to the cathode of the next cell

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□ Efficiency calculation of a Fuel Cell

□ Efficiency evaluation :

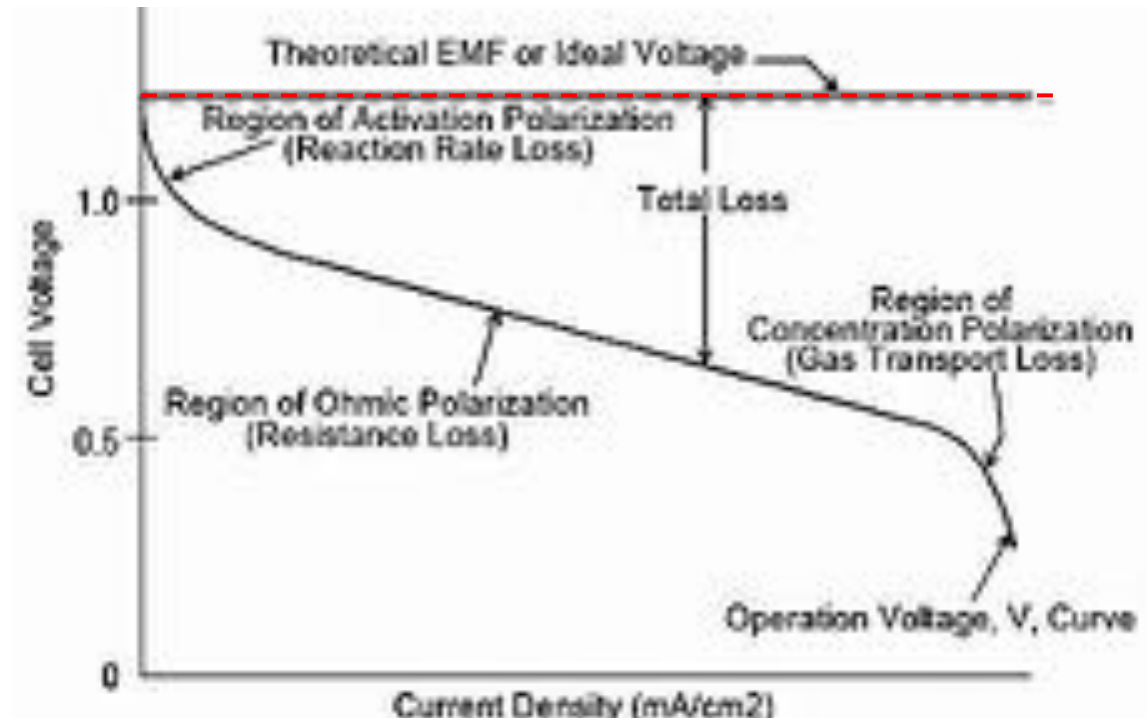
- Entrance → Chemical energy (di-hydrogen)
- Output → Electrical energy

□ 3 different working zone → 3 type of losses

$$EMF = V_0 - \frac{RT}{2\alpha F} \ln\left(\frac{i}{i_0}\right)$$

$$V_{ohm} = R_{eq} i$$

$$V_{conc} = m \cdot \exp(n \cdot i)$$

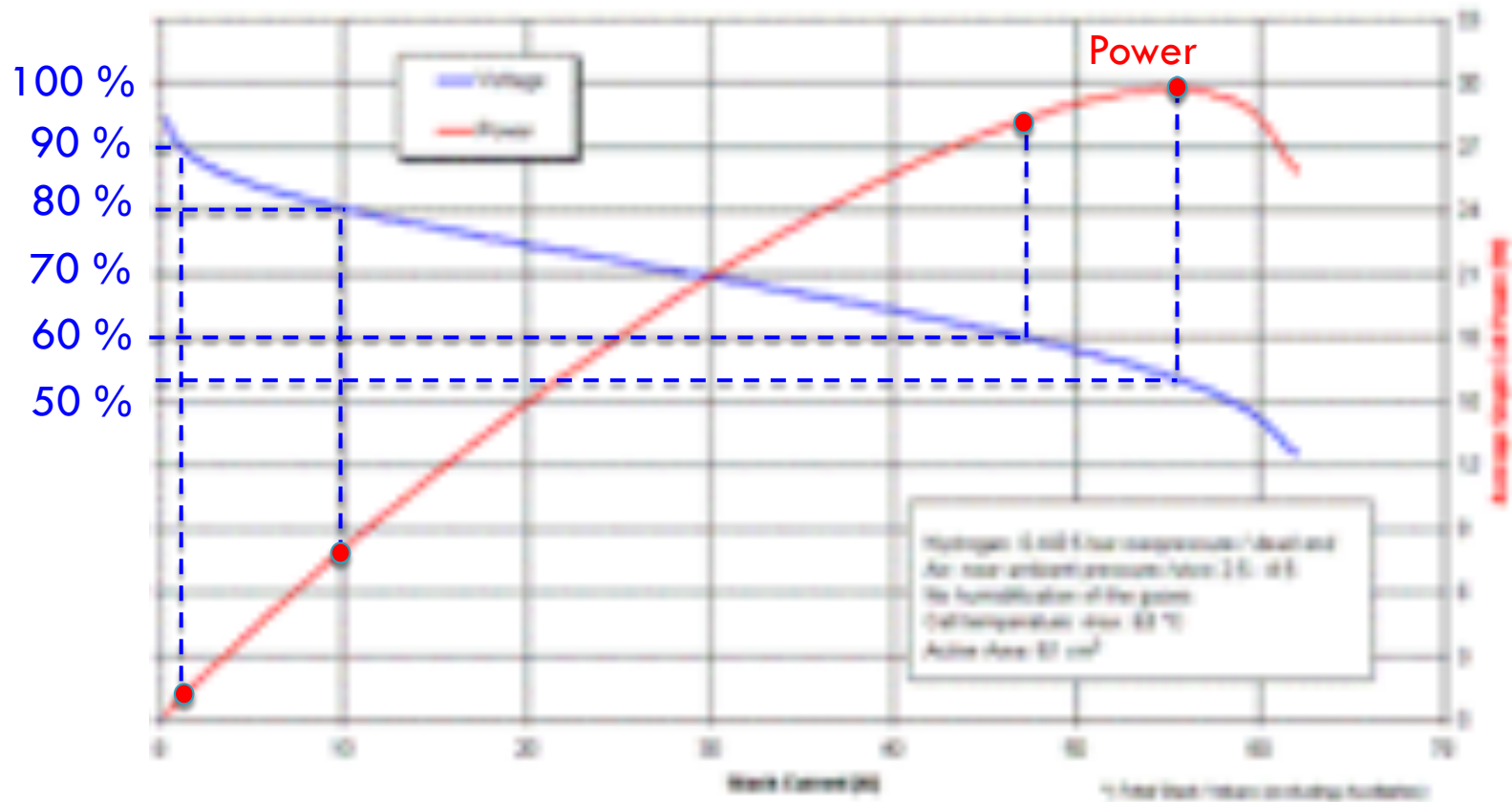


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- Efficiency is directly connected to the output voltage
- Balance between power and efficiency

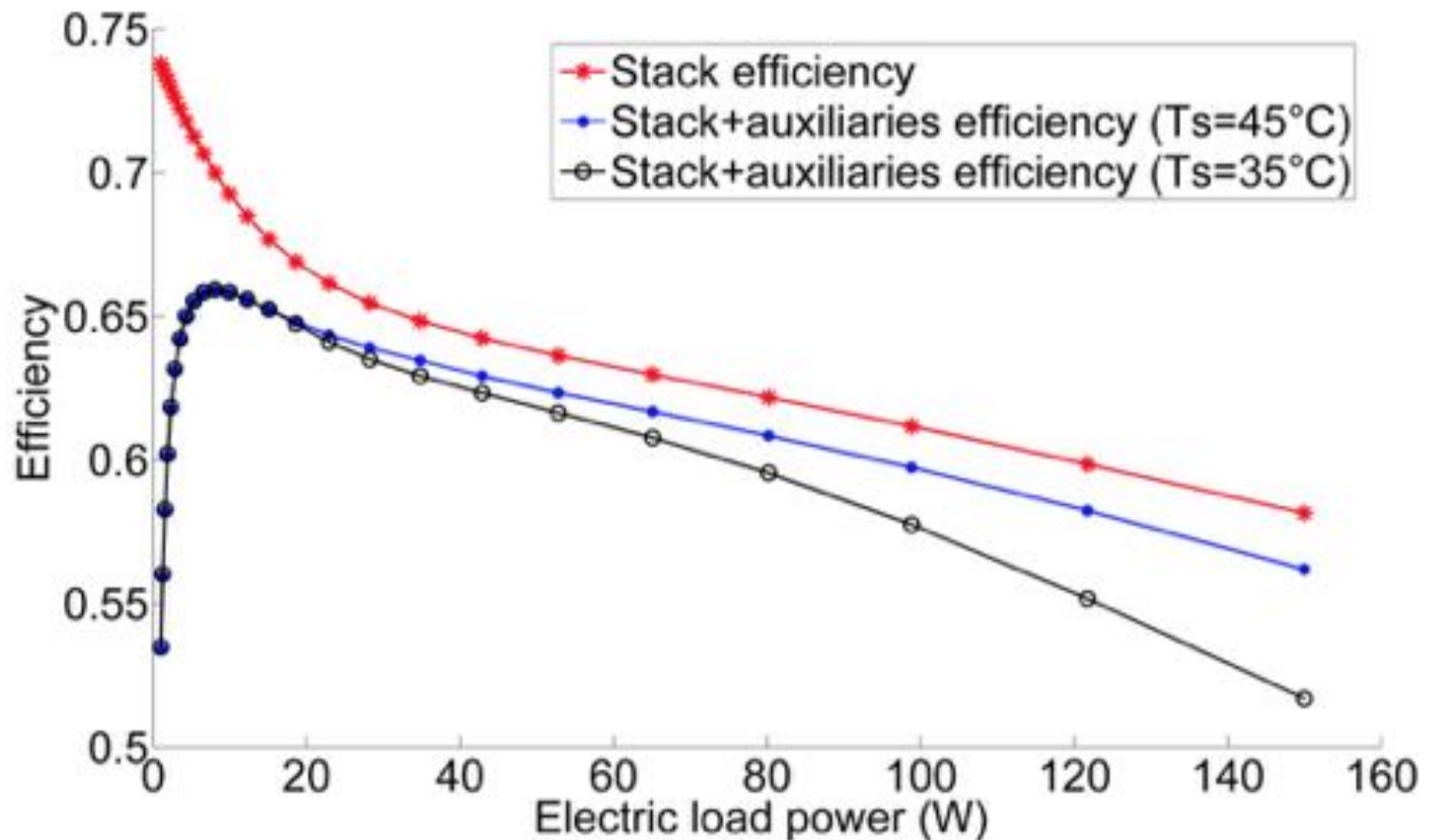
Polarisation and Power Curve MEA-DEA Fuel Cell Stacks²⁷



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- Efficiency with or without accessories and according to temperature



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□ Different technologies

Description	Anode gas/liquid	Cathode gas	Power range	Temperature	Efficiency	Maturity	Applications
AFC –Alcaline stack	H ₂	O ₂	<100 kW	60-200 °C	60 %	Market ready	Transportation
PEMFC	H ₂	O ₂ -Air	<500 kW	60 – 200 °C	50 %	Market ready	Transportation, Stationary
SOFC – Solid Oxyde	H ₂ , Methane, Gas synth.	O ₂ -Air	<100 MW	800 °C	60 %	development	Stationary



SOFC



AFC



PEMFC

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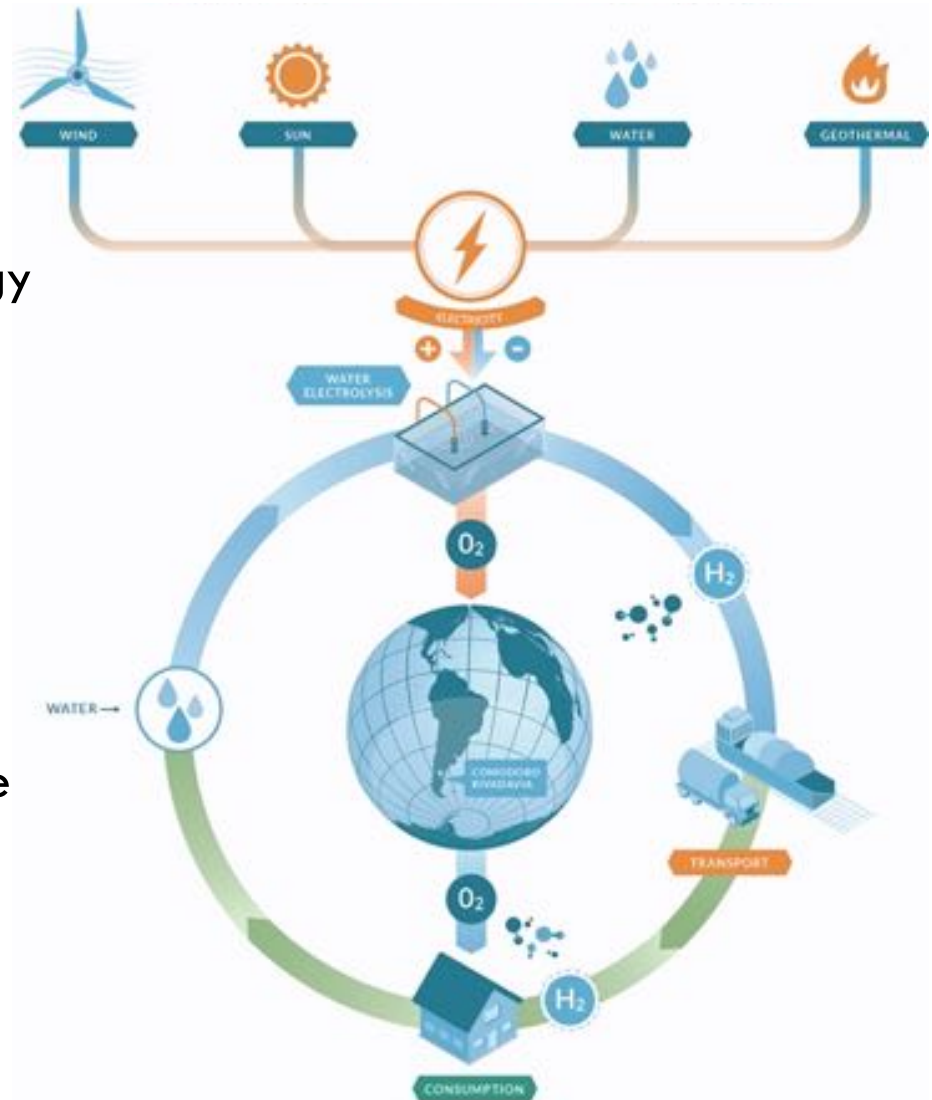
H2 Sectors

□ Electricity produce by renewable energy

- ▣ Solar
- ▣ Wind energy
- ▣ Tidal energy
- ▣ Biomass
- ▣ Biofuels

□ Production of di-hydrogen by hydrolyse

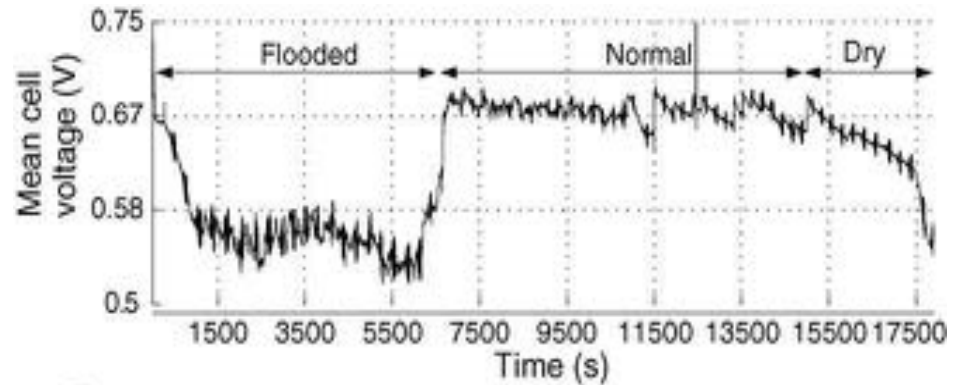
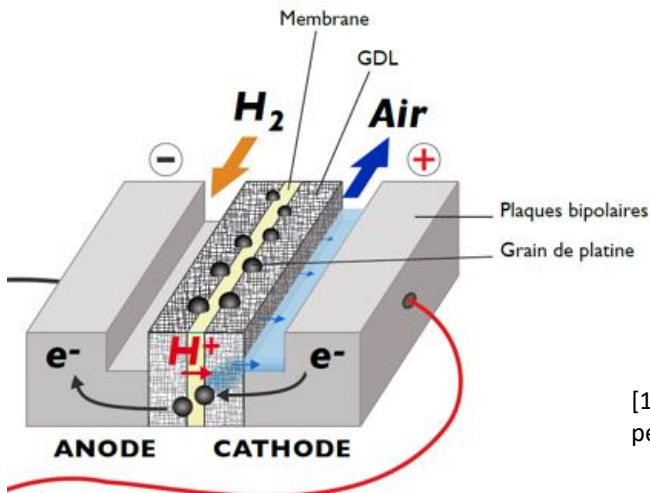
- ▣ Smoothing of energy production for network
- ▣ Storage for transportation



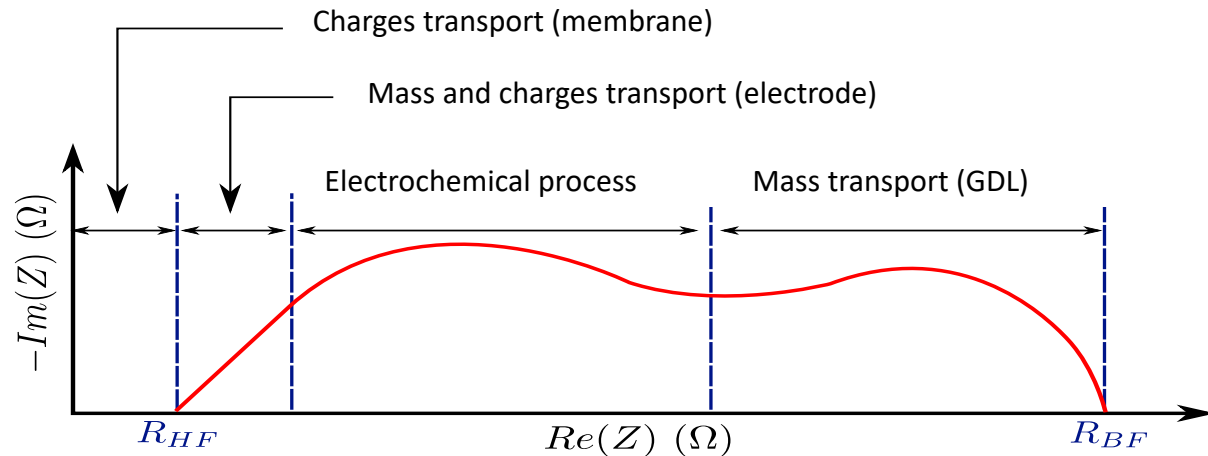
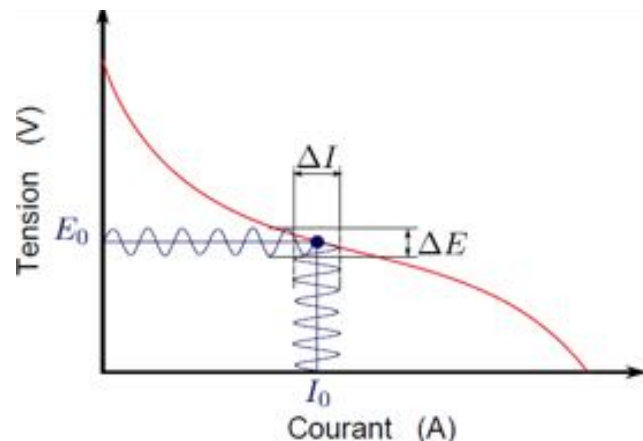
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- Electrochemical Impedance Spectroscopy (EIS) is one of the best technique to do diagnosis of FC (drying, flooding, platinum degradation)



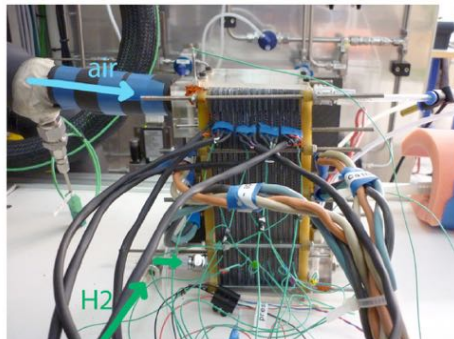
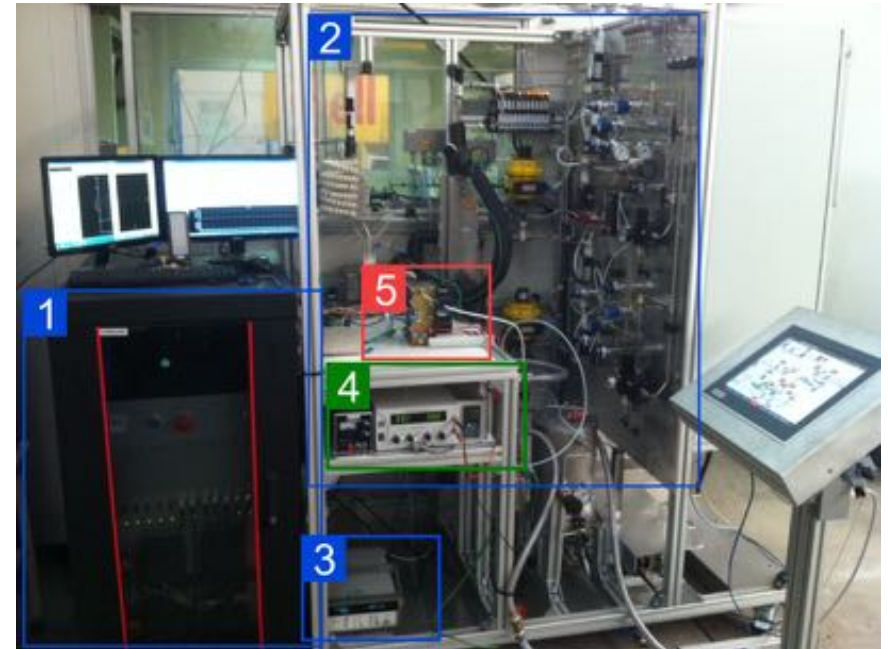
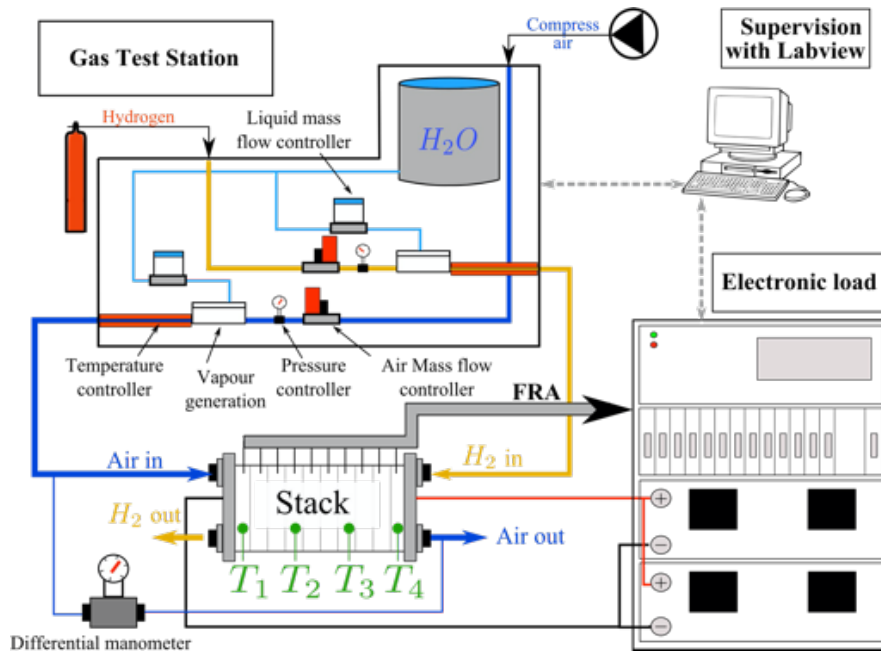
[1] Schmittinger, W., & Vahidi, A. (2008). A review of the main parameters influencing long-term performance and durability of PEM fuel cells. *Journal of Power Sources*



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Fuel cell test bench

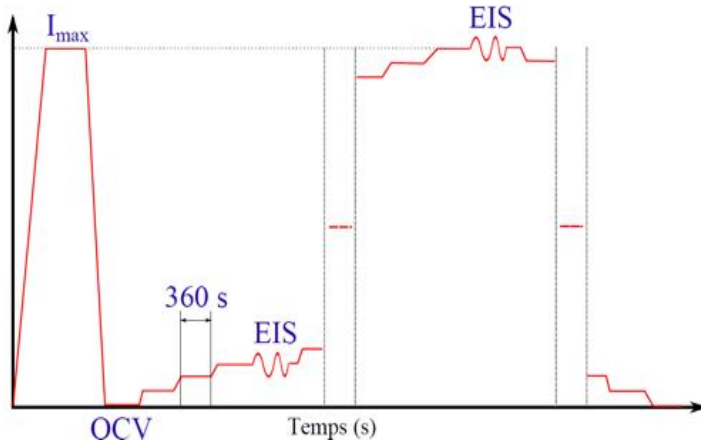


- ① 2 Electronic Load (2*1.2kW), E.I.S. measurements (52 channels)
- ② Gas conditioning (temperature, humidity, pressure, stoichiometry ...)
- ③ Temperature acquisition (16 channels)
- ④ Regulation of stack temperature
- ⑤ Fuel Cell stack to be tested (up to 2kW)

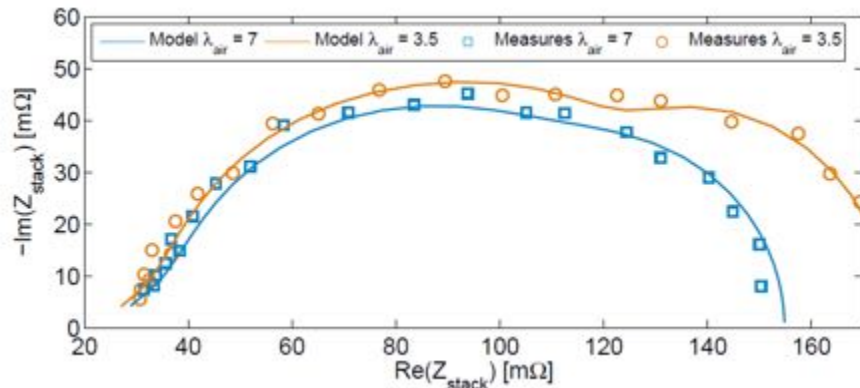
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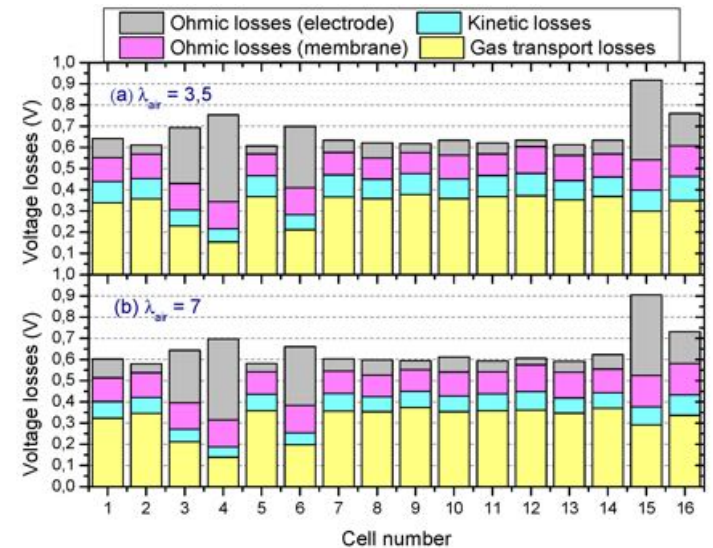
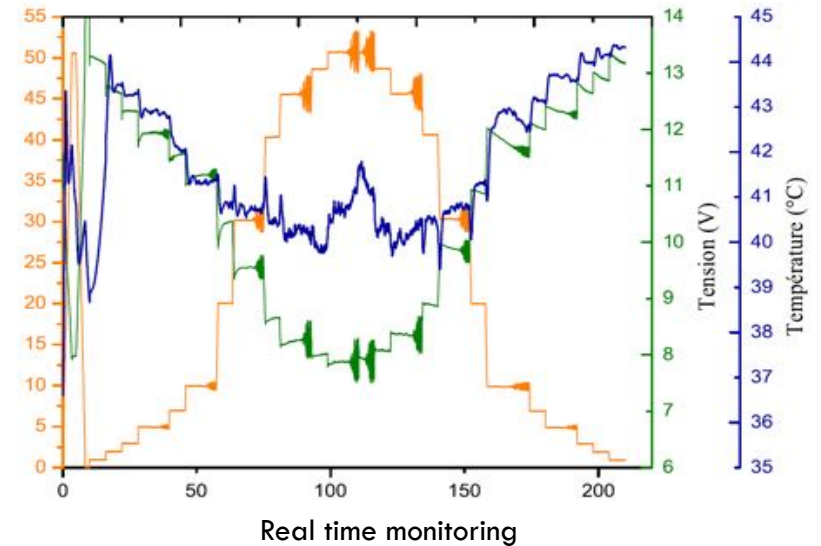
Some results



Constant air&H₂ stoichiometry/hygrometry, 24 currents levels (12 up and 12 down), 10 EIS measures in 3h40.



Simplex optimization algorithm is used to compare EIS measurements and model.



Potential losses for different stoichiometry for each cell

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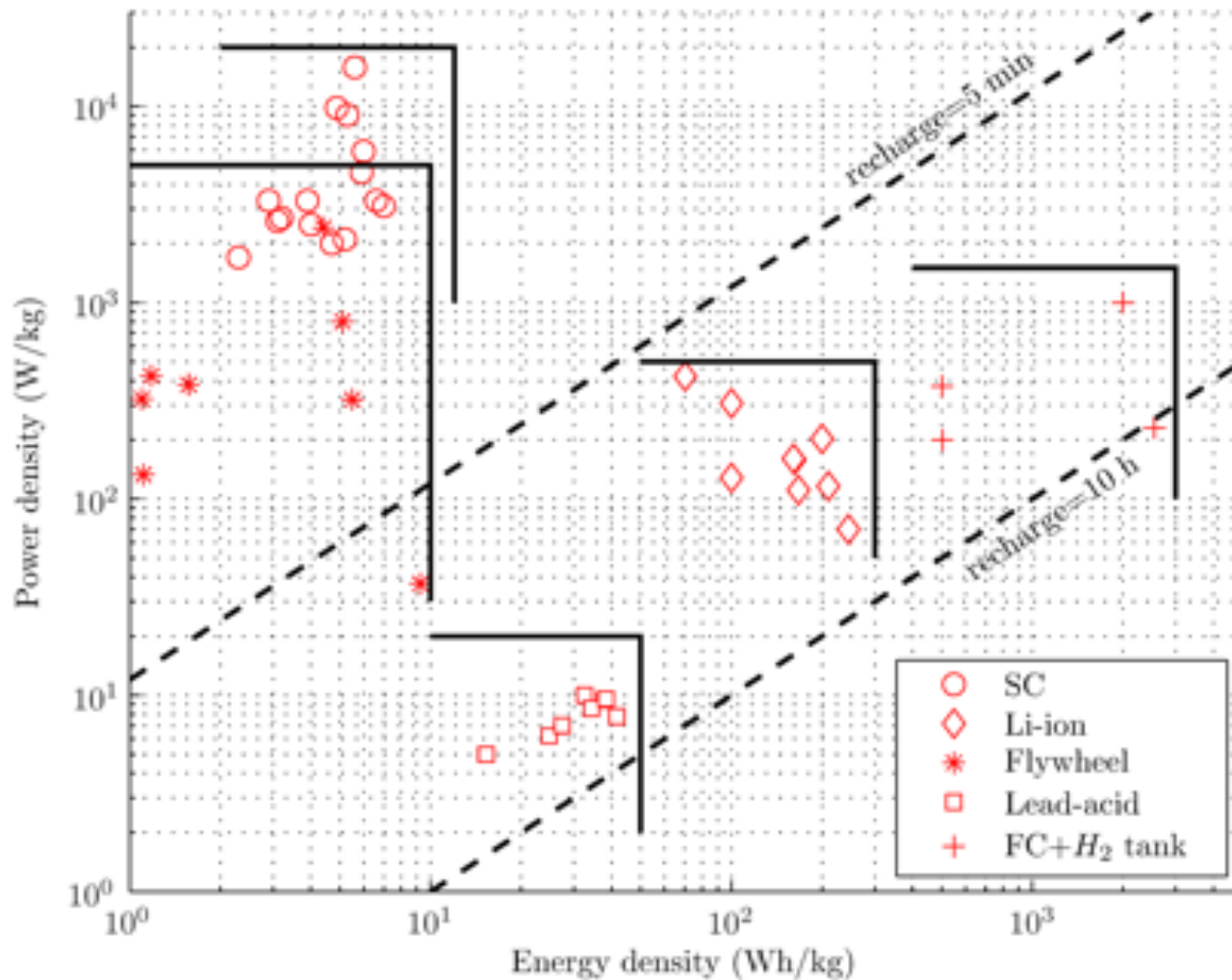
- Advantage of hydrogen as an energy vector
 - ▣ Mass energy density very high
 - ▣ Combustion without polluting exhaust
 - ▣ Renewable energy available in large quantities
 - ▣ Different way to be used (combustion, low or high temperature Fuel Cell)
 - ▣ Very good efficiency (between 50 et 70 %)

- Some drawbacks
 - ▣ Low volumic density → High pressure storage, liquid or solid
 - ▣ Explosive gaz → Security problems
 - ▣ Cost of nowadays converters for production of H₂ (Electrolysor, Fuel cell, reforming, ...)

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- Comparison of producing and storage systems



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Some economic comparison for a 50kW car (today)

- Classical diesel ICE (lifetime: 4000 h) (Internal Combustion Engine)
 - ▣ ICE : 3000 € - 110 kg
 - ▣ Starter/generator: 300 € - 10 kg
 - ▣ Accessories (catalytic converter, filters, ...): 1000 € - 50 kg
 - ▣ tank : 100 € - 50 kg
 - TOTAL: 4400 € - 220 kg

- Fuel Cell car (lifetime: 2000 h)
 - ▣ Fuel Cell(~ 2000 €/kW) : 100 k€ - 100 kg
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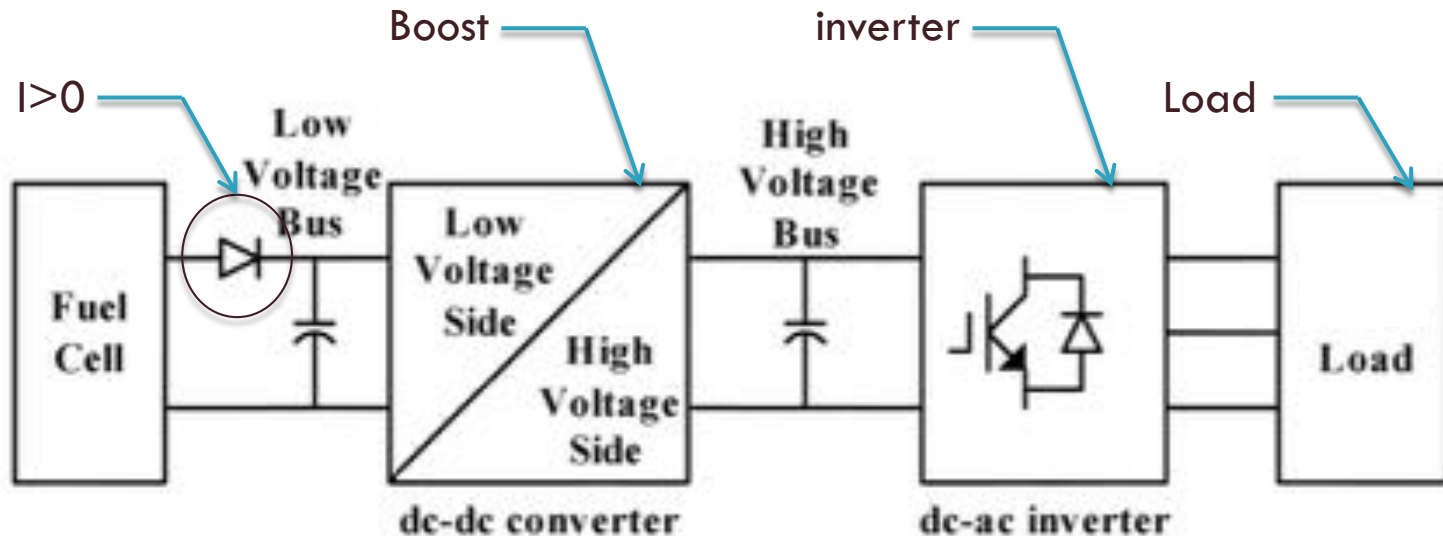
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□ Classical power conversion structure (FCEV)

- Fuel Cell : Non perfect voltage generator → **Current regulation**
- Number of cell in series limited (thermal and leakage problems), voltage of one cell between 0.5 and 0.7 V ($1\text{-}1.5\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$; $0.5\text{-}1\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$) → **Boost voltage**
- AC loads → Using of an inverter
- Reversible system → Hydrogen production !!! → **Must be non reversible**



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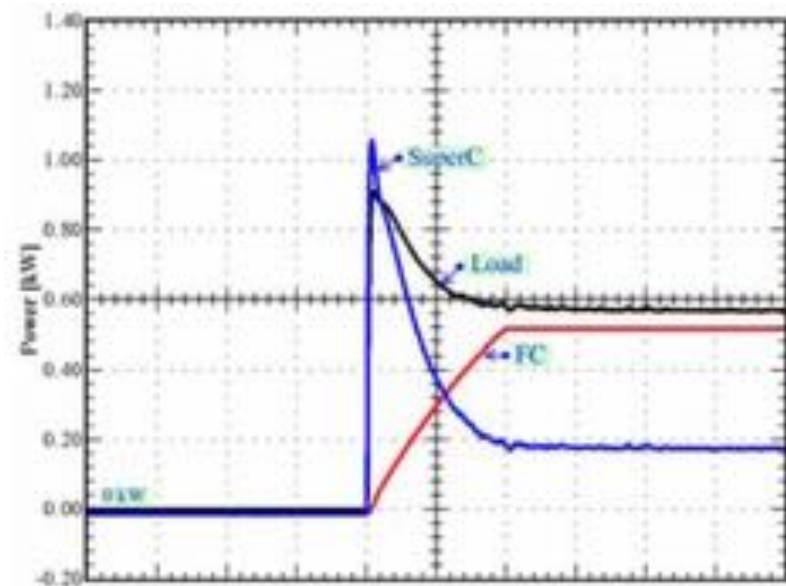
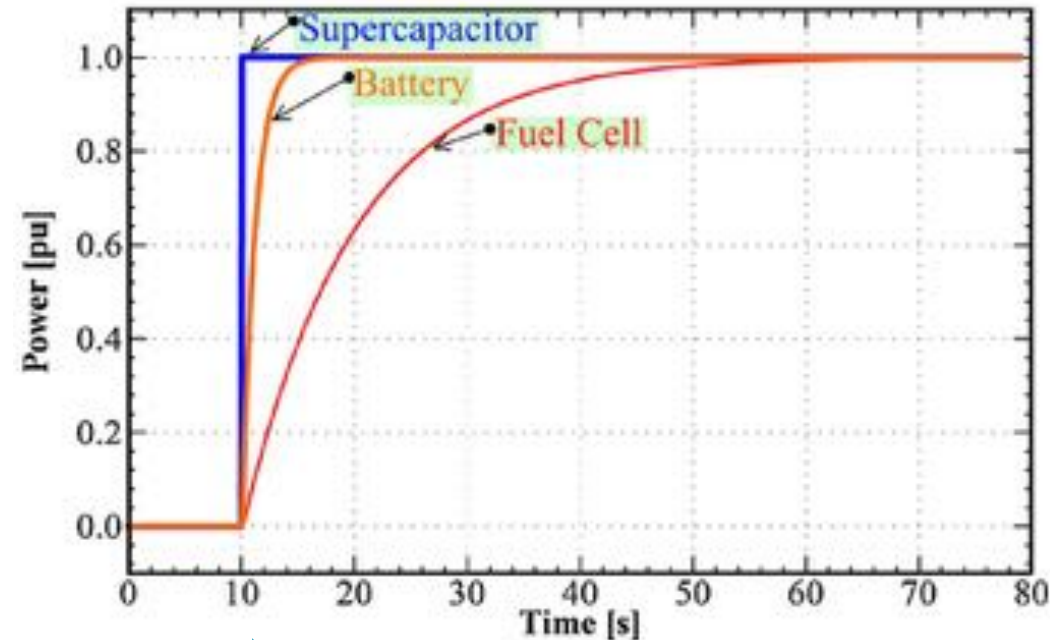
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□ Benefits of hybrid structures

- Stationary working of the fuel Cell (furniture of mean value of power)
- Adding of one or more storage system for transient power demand
- Reducing cost and weight of global system
- Reducing warm up time

□ Disadvantages

- Greater complexity of vehicle and control system

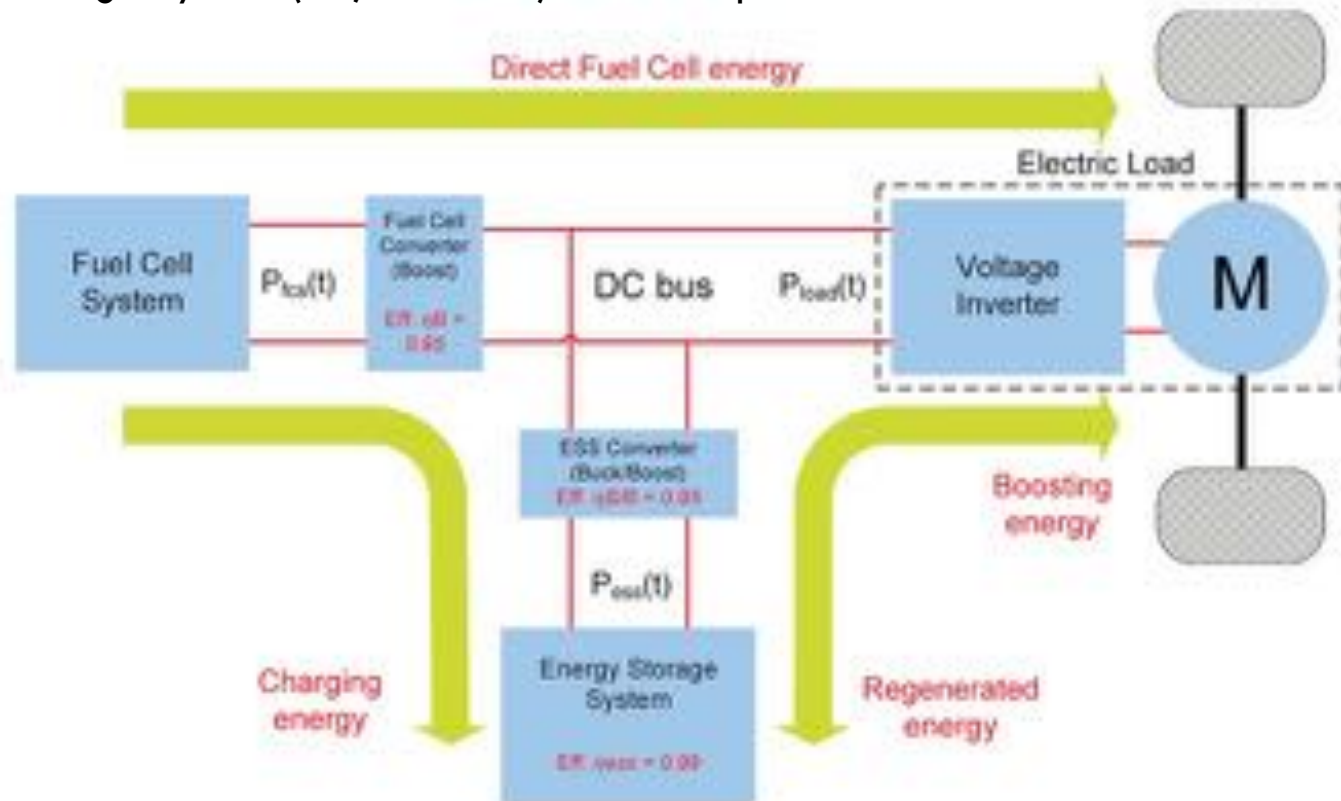


Separation of roles (FC : mean value, Storage : fast variations)

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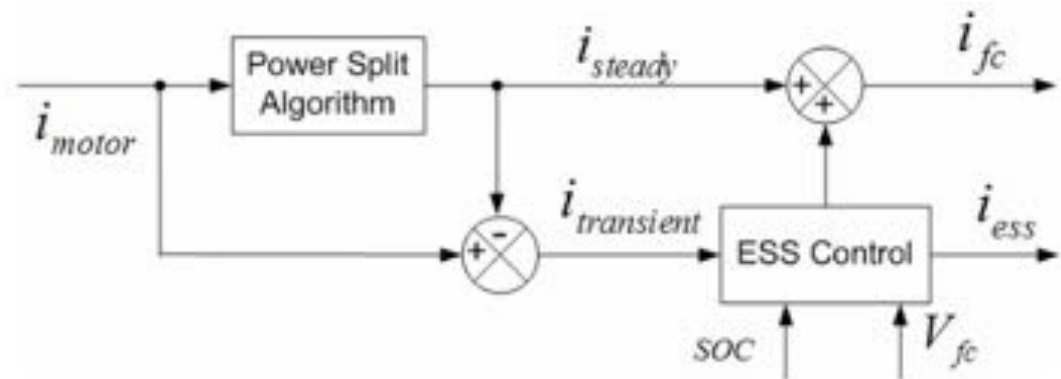
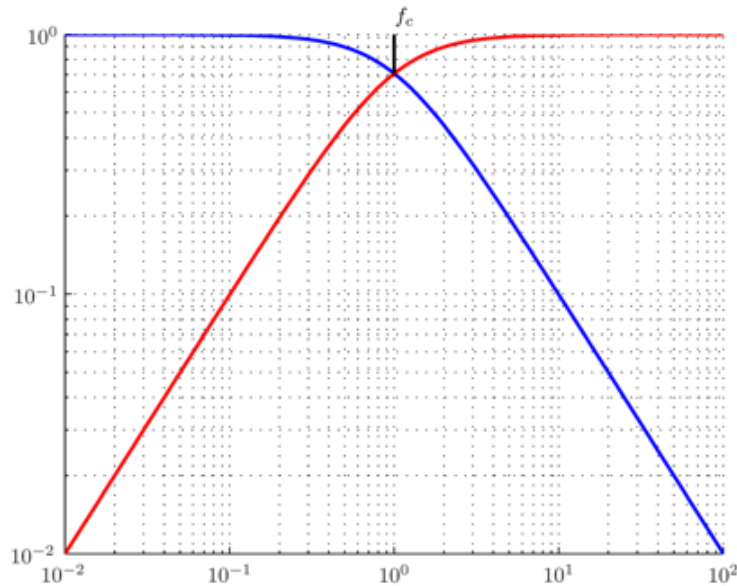
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- Hybrid Fuel Cell Electric Vehicle structure with separation of roles
 - Fuel Cell : Furniture of average power
 - Energy Storage System (SC, batteries): transient power



Benefits of hybrid structure

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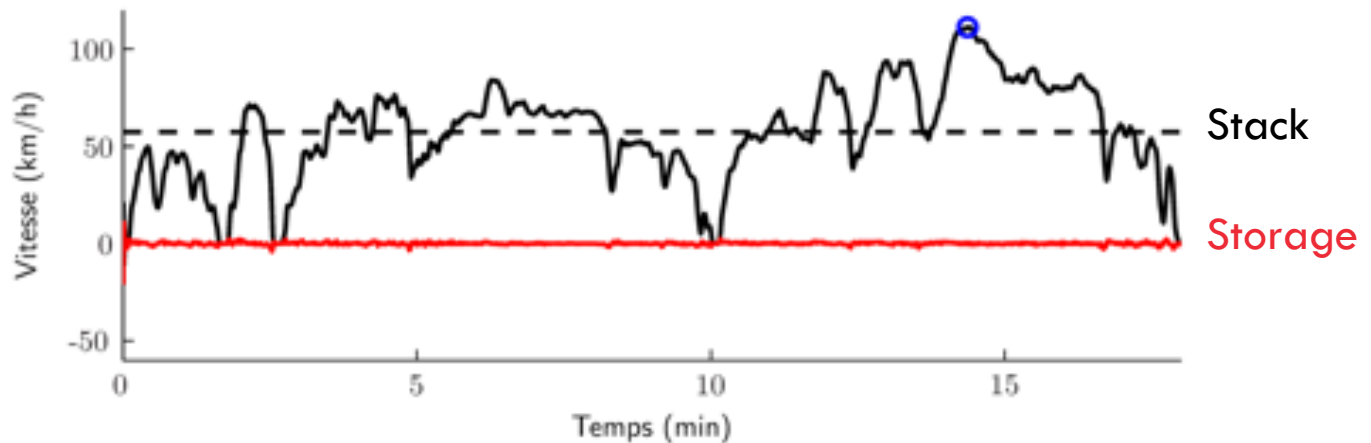
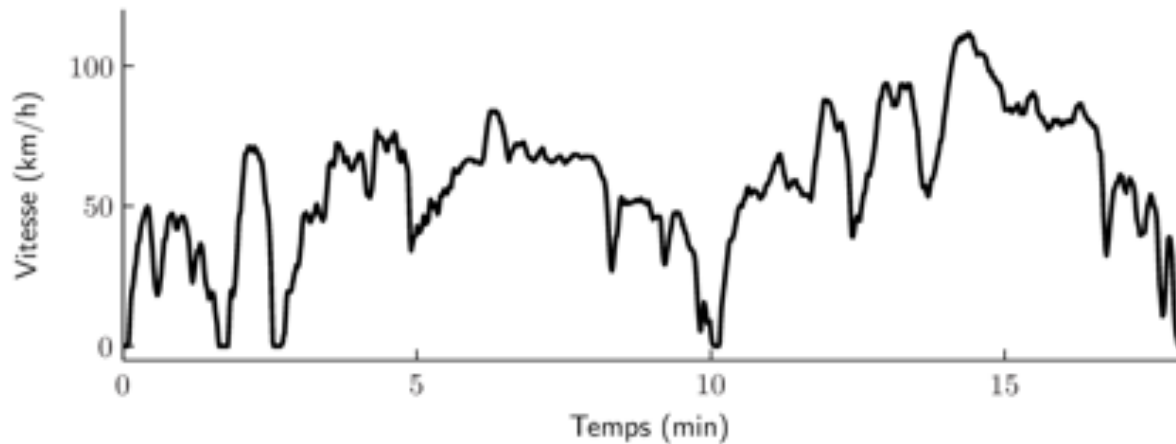
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- Benefits of hybrid structures
 - ▣ Dynamic repartition between the different sources

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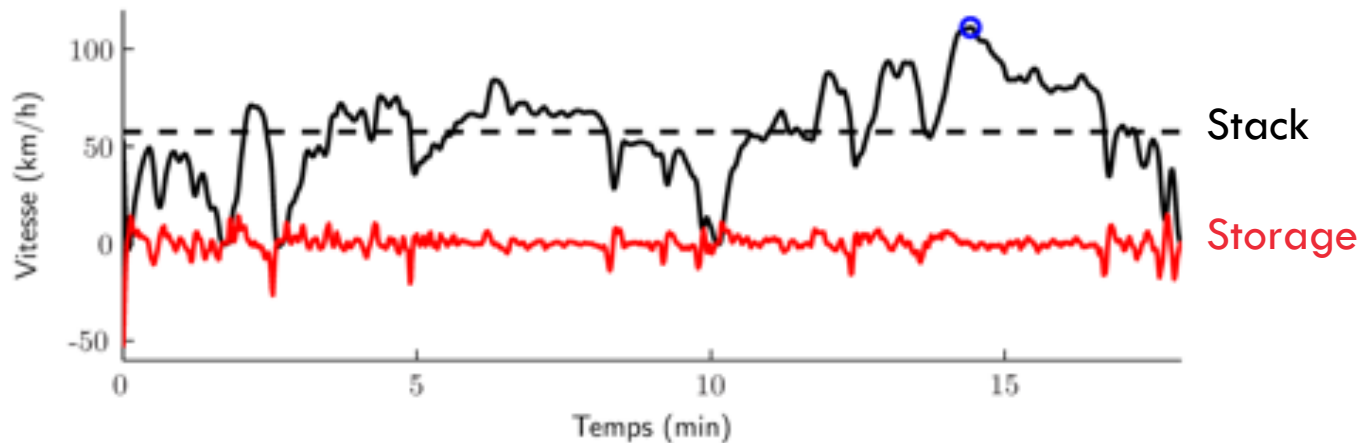
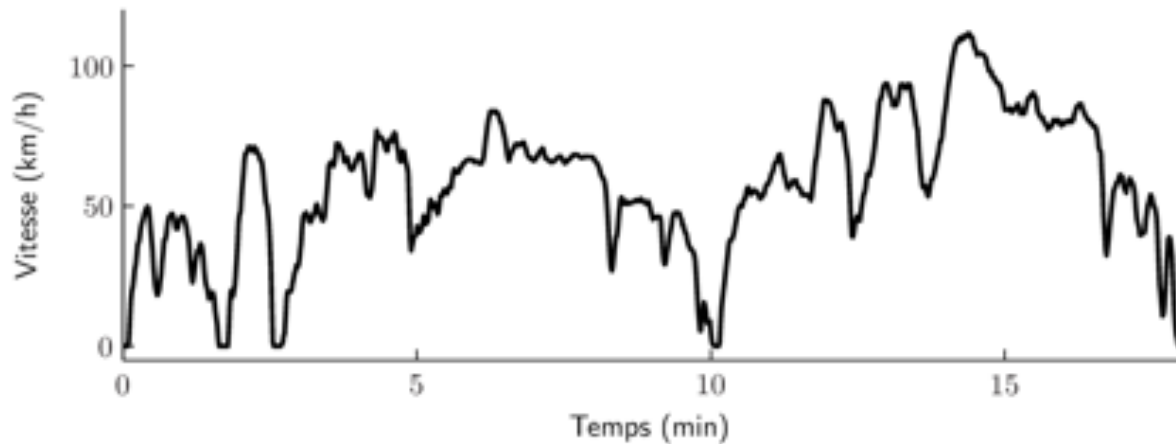


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- Benefits of hybrid structures
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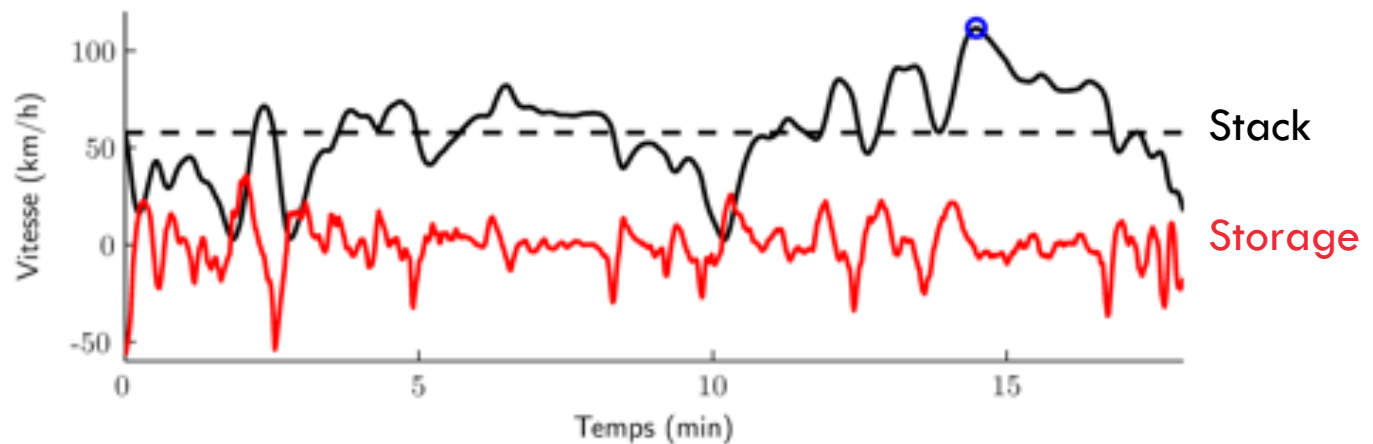
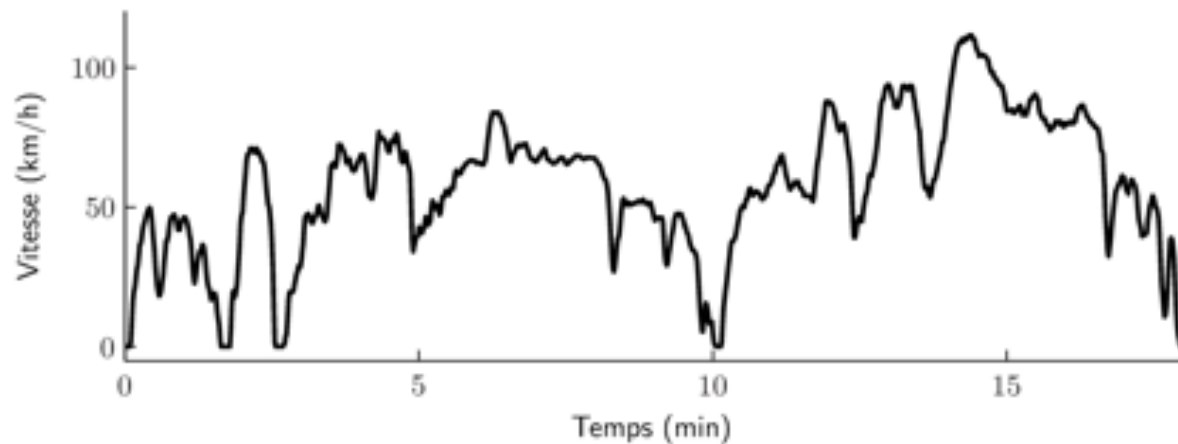


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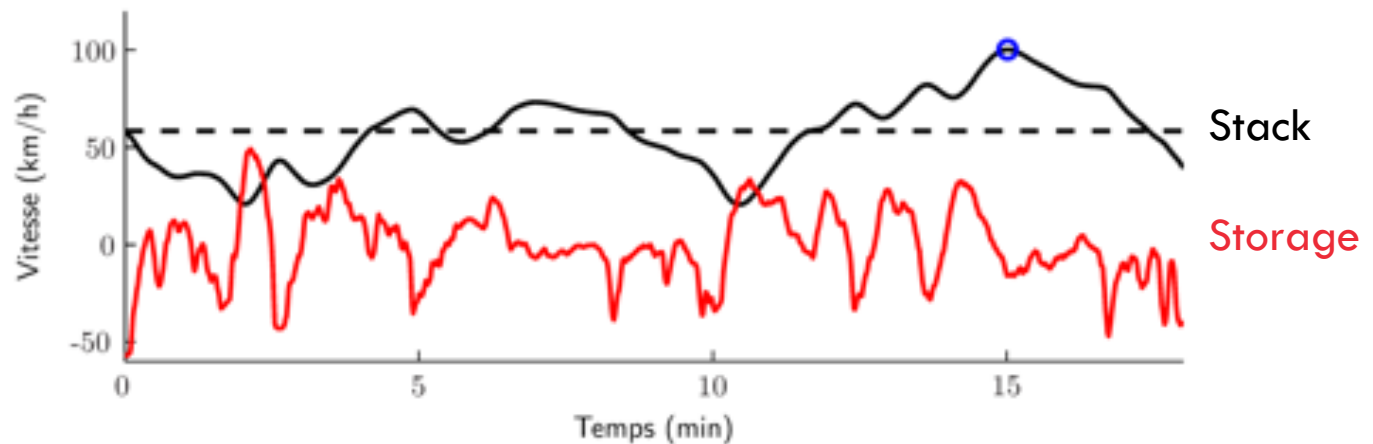
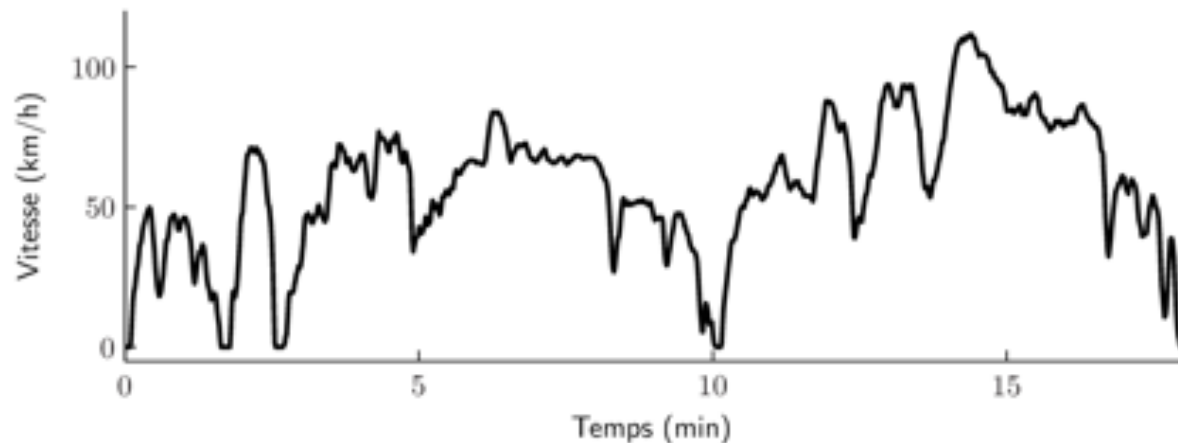


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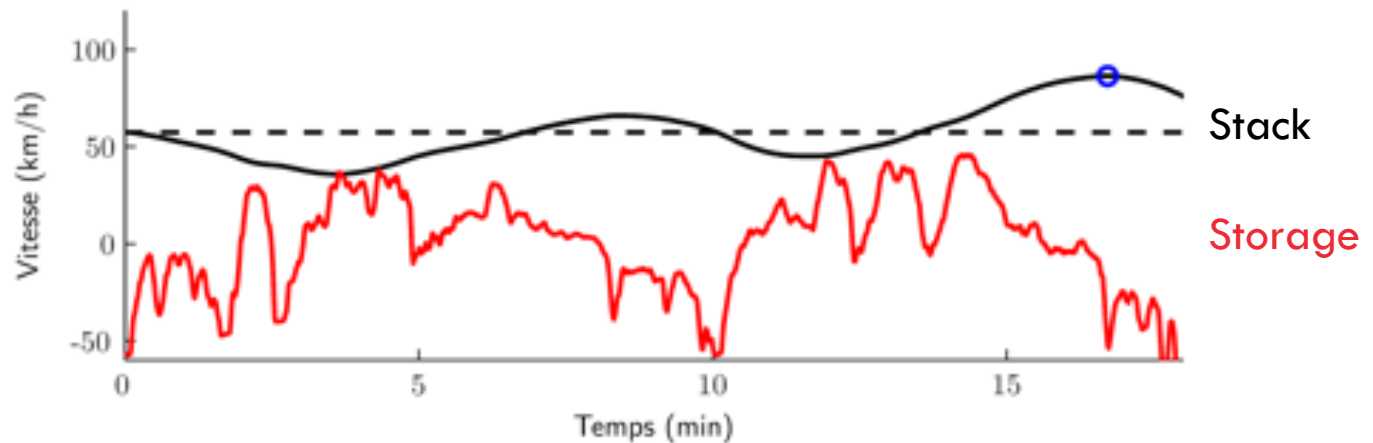
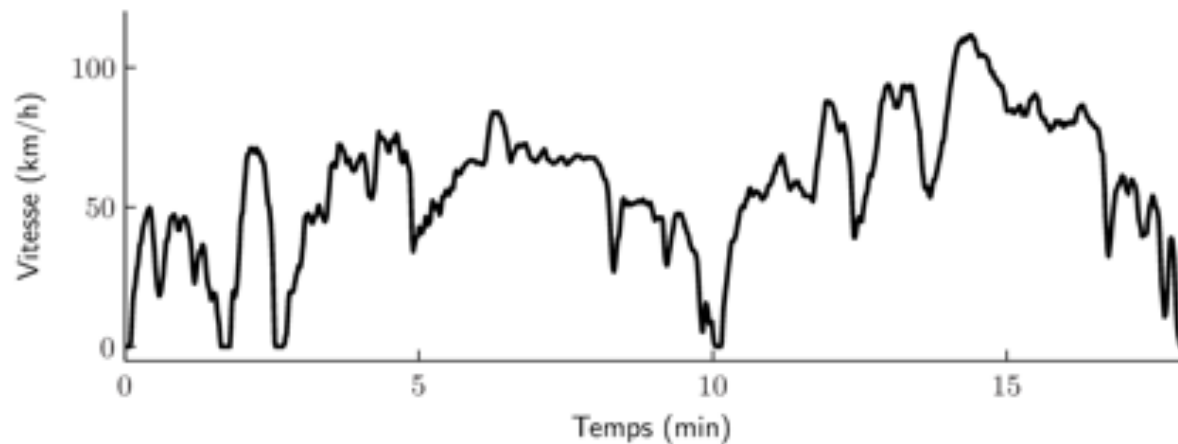


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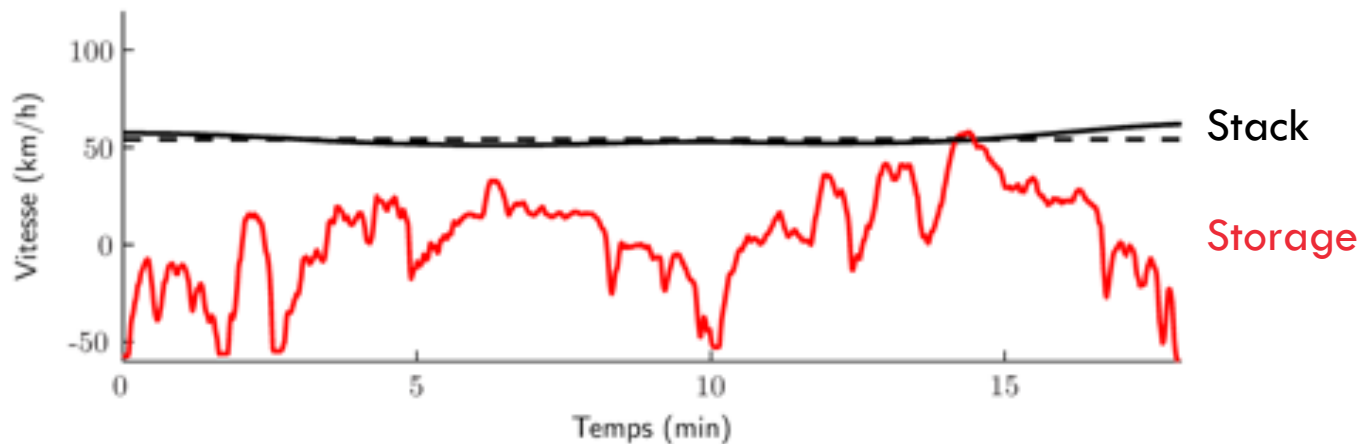
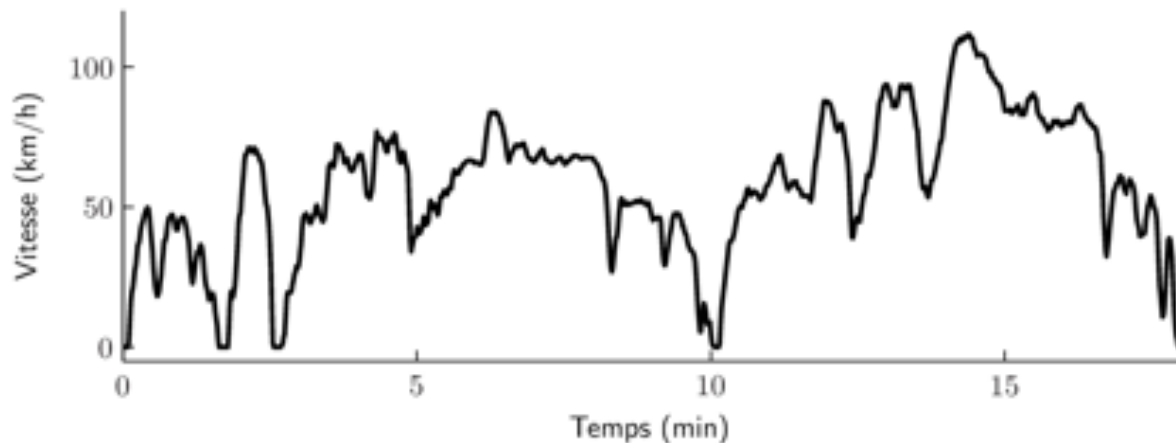


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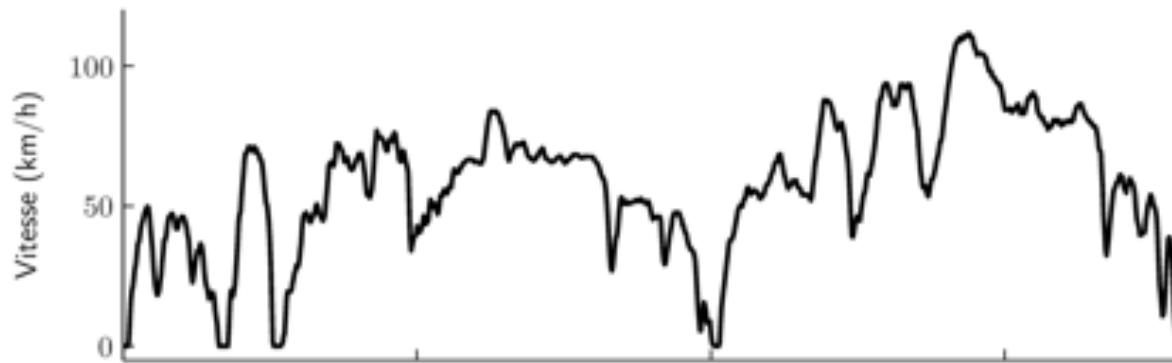
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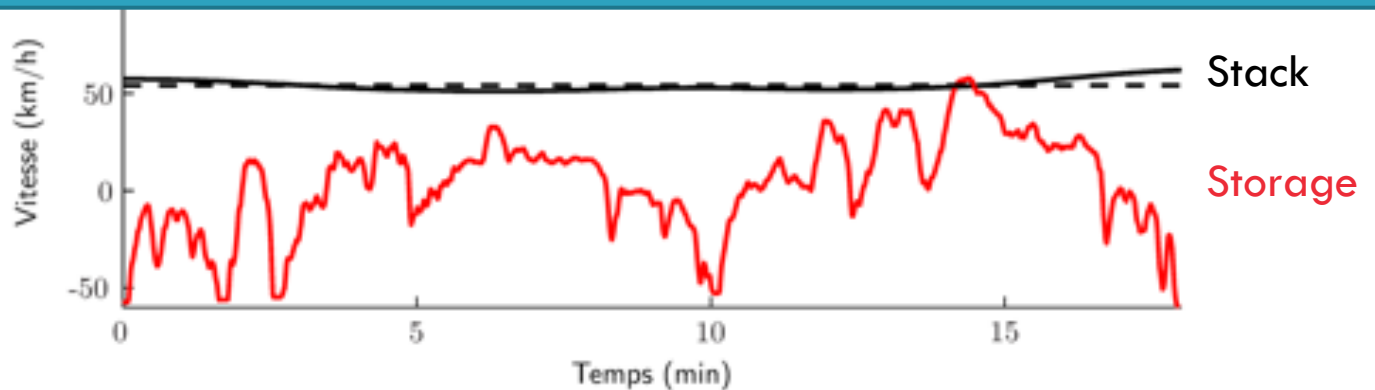
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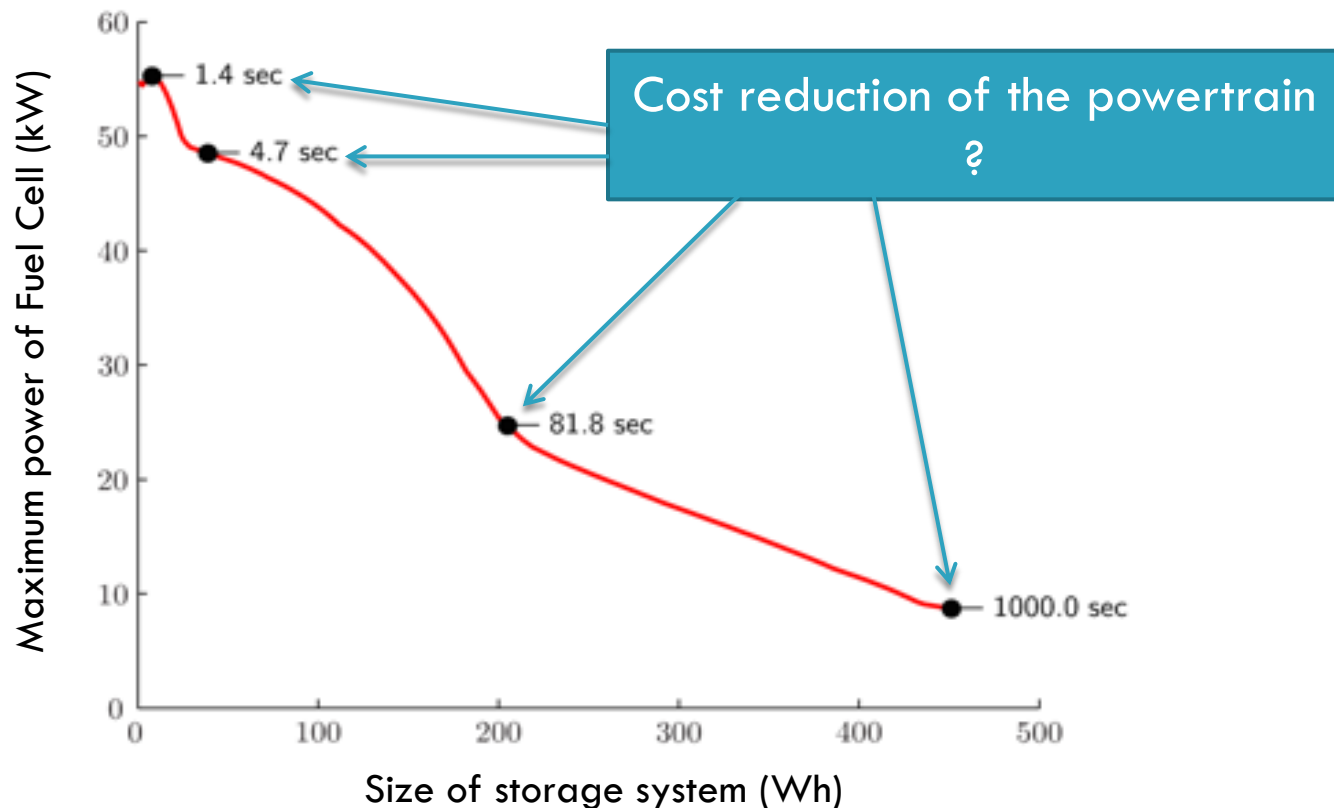
Balance between maximum power of the fuel cell and size of the storage system



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- Benefits of hybrid structures
 - ▣ Dynamic repartition between the different sources.
 - **Choice of constant time.**

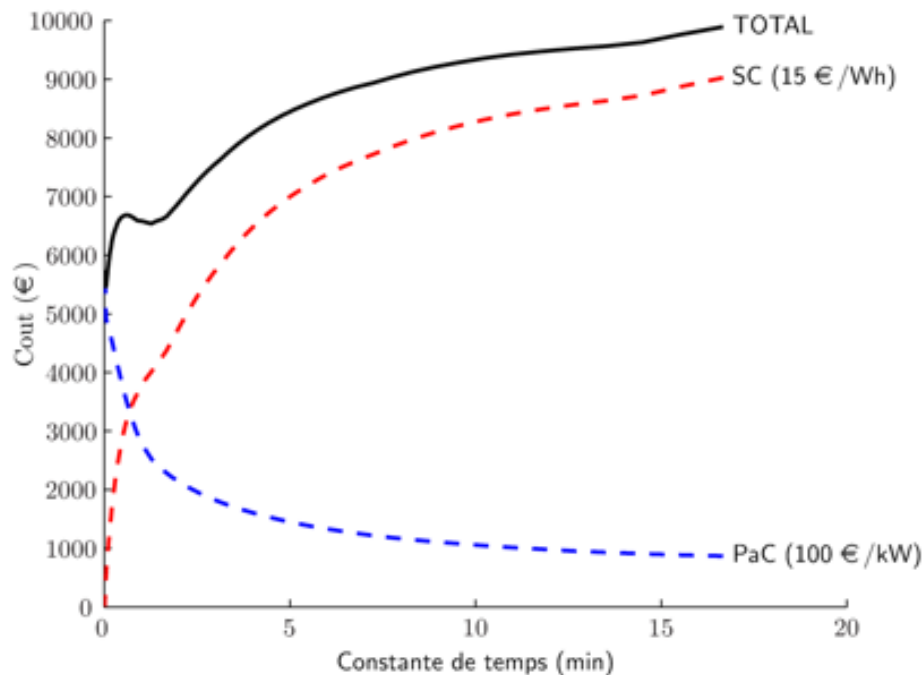


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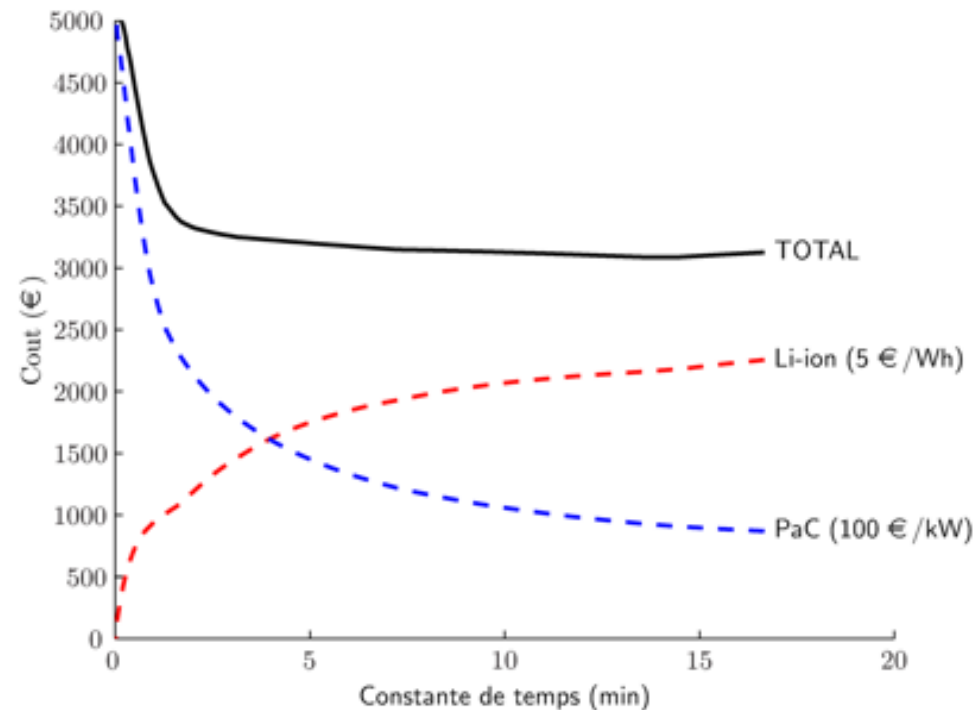
Supercapacitor / FC :

No constraint on life duration, cost always higher



Battery Li-ion / FC :

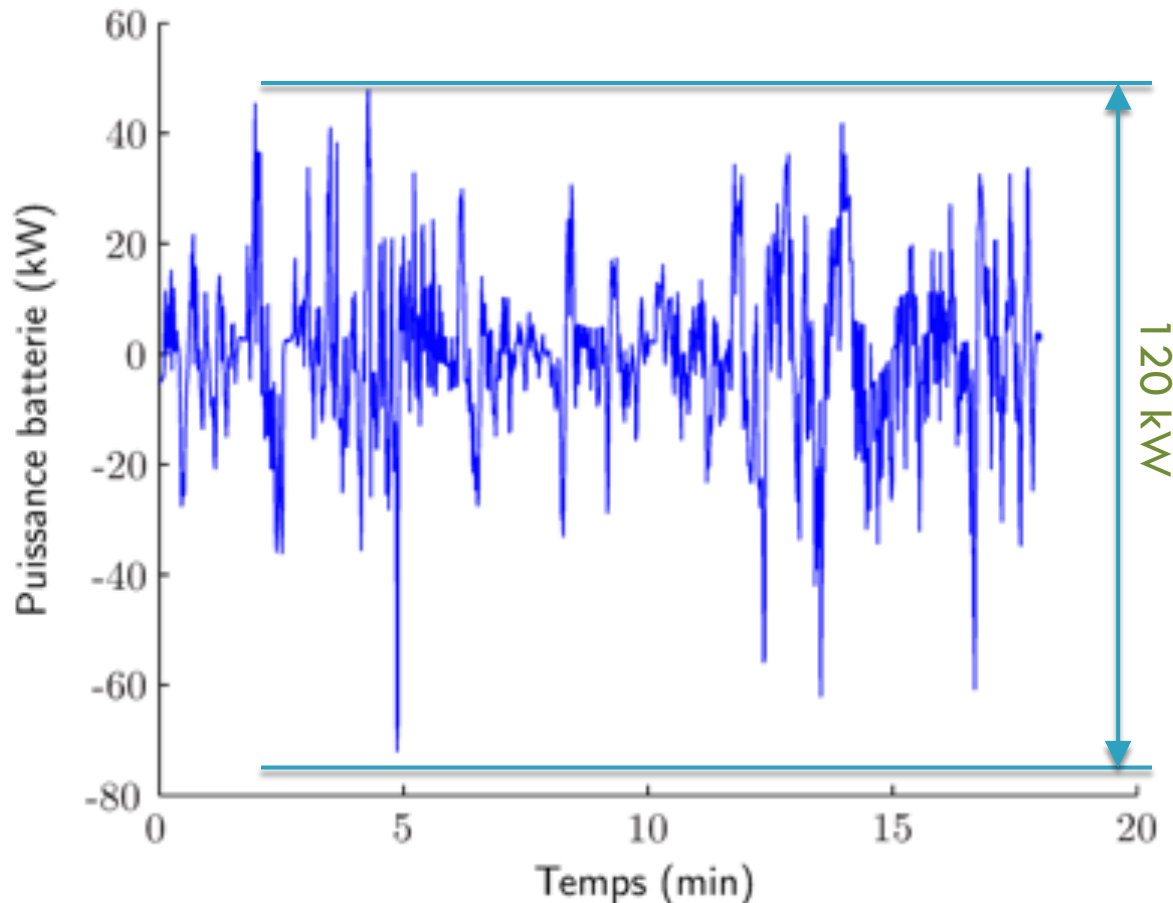
No constraint on life duration, cost always smaller → Benefit of hybrid structure for urban cycle



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Battery Li-ion / Super capacitor :



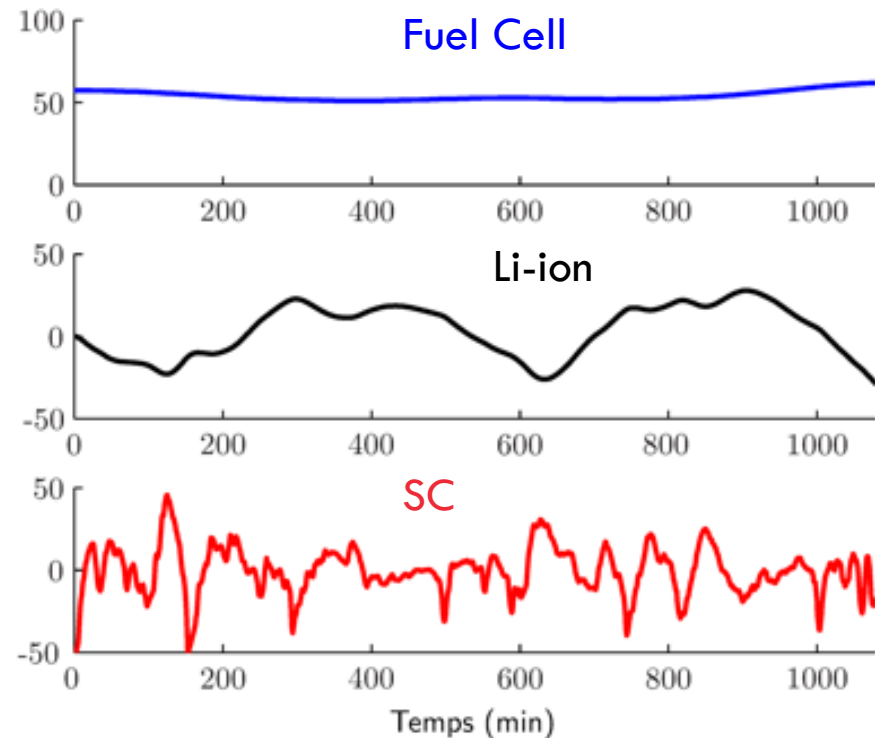
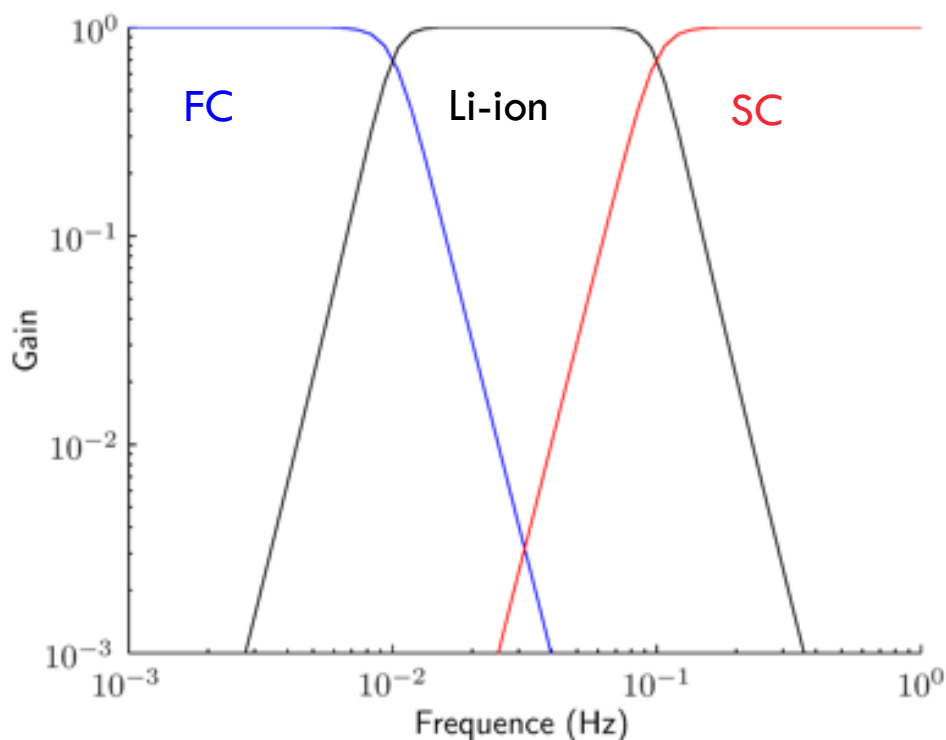
Battery Li-ion
200 €/kW → 24 k€

Supercapacitor
75 €/kW → 9 k€

Benefits of hybrid structure

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- Hybrid strategy could be generalized to several storage systems
- Dynamic according to the nature of the system



Benefits of hybrid structure

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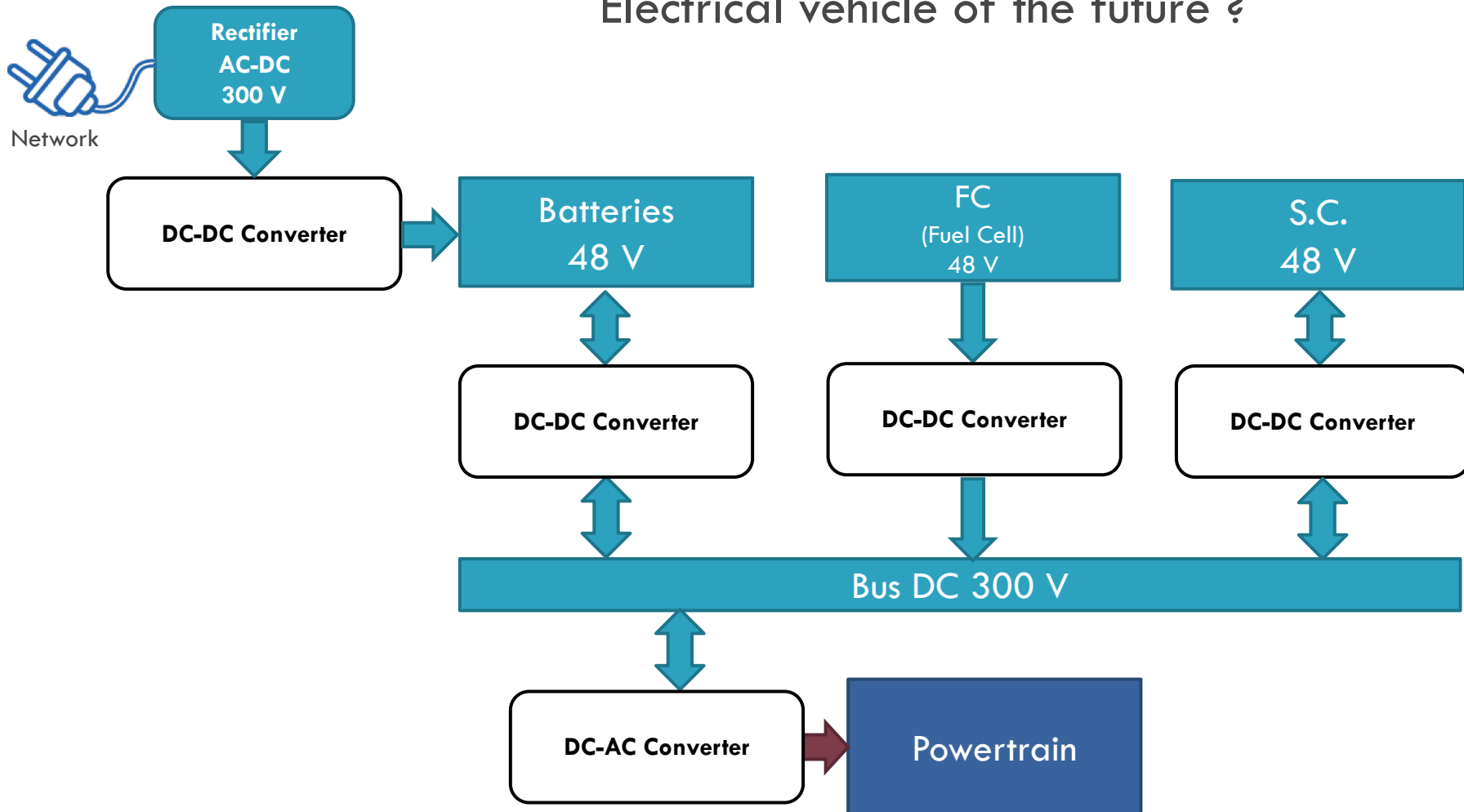
□ Example of hybrid vehicle

	Fuel Cell only	Fuel Cell + supercapacitors	Fuel Cell + SC + batteries
Fuel Cell mass	111.4 kg	34.3 kg	21.2 kg
SC mass	-	43.3 kg	43.3 kg
Battery mass	-	-	4.6 kg
Total mass	111.4 kg	77.6 kg	69 kg
Cost	6000 €	5500 €	5000 €

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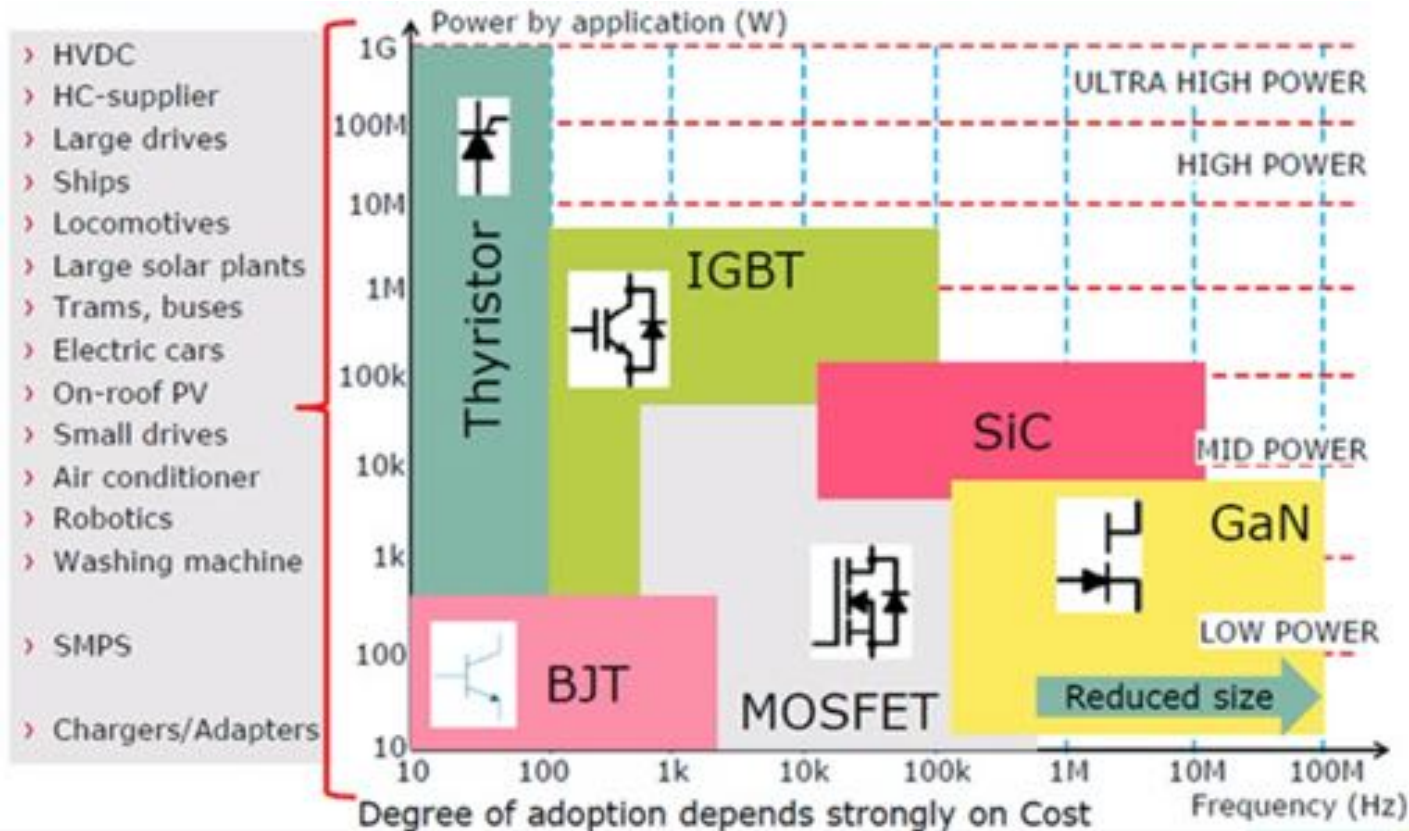
Electrical vehicle of the future ?



Power converter

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□ Performance diagram :



□ Choice is a balance between :

- ▣ Voltage / Current
- ▣ Power / frequency

□ Repartition :

- ▣ High power : GTO / Thyristor
- ▣ Medium power : IGBT / SiC
- ▣ Low power : MOSFET / GaN

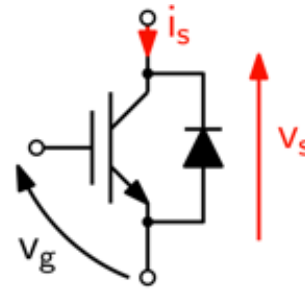
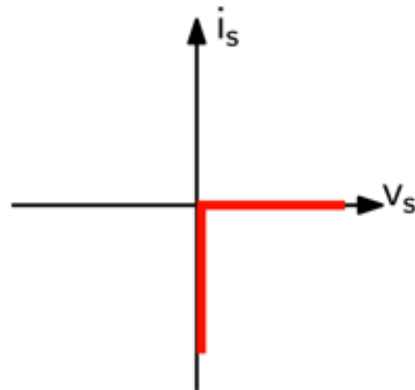
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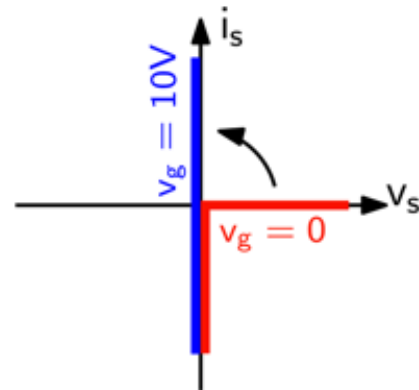
- Application for electrical car (or renewable energy) :
 - ▣ Medium power from some kW to some MW,
 - ▣ Diode and transistor (IGBT or MOSFET or GAN)



Non-Commandable



Commandable

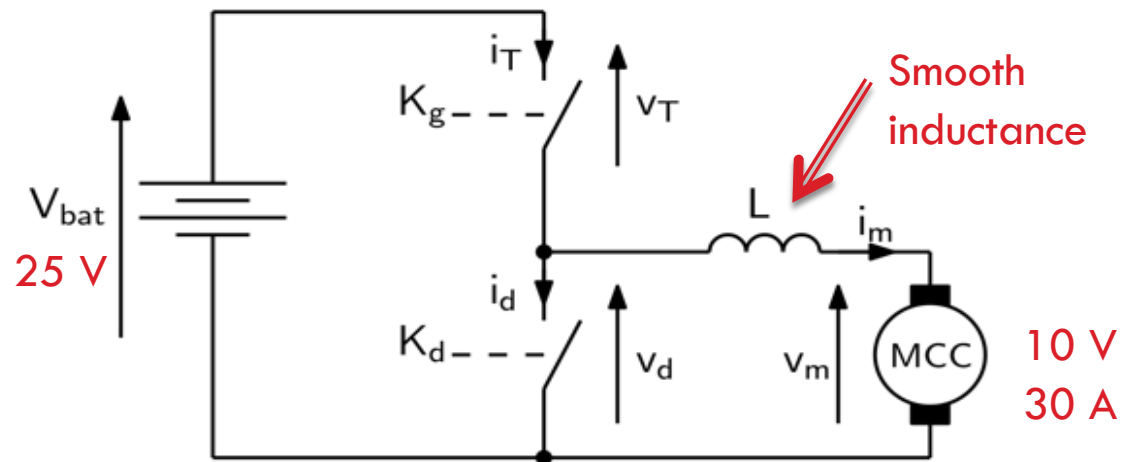


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Study of a structure

- DC/DC conversion
 - ▣ Source : Fuel cell (battery)
 - ▣ Load : DC motor
- Objective
 - ▣ Reduce voltage from 25V to 10V
 - ▣ Minimum losses

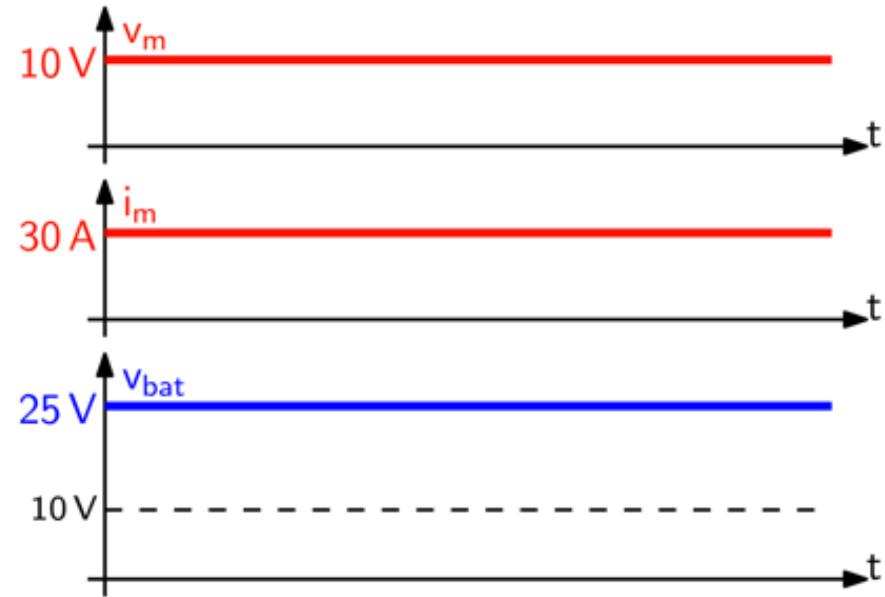
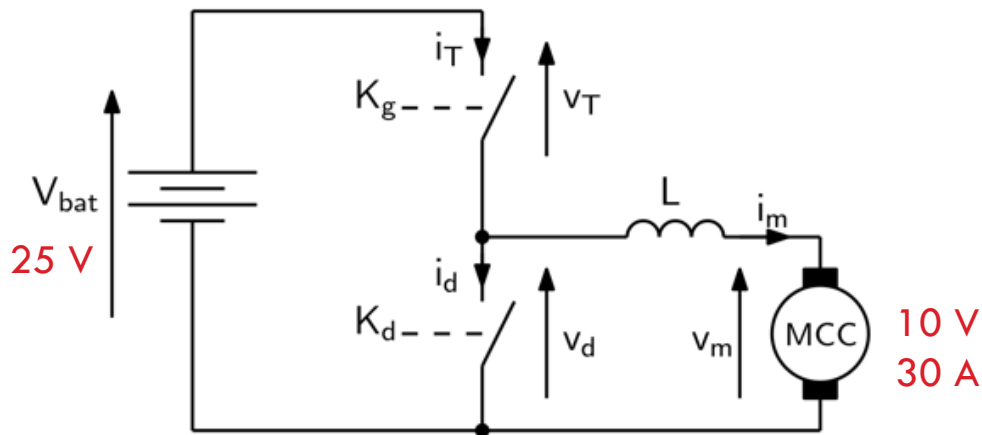


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Study of a structure

- Signals analysis

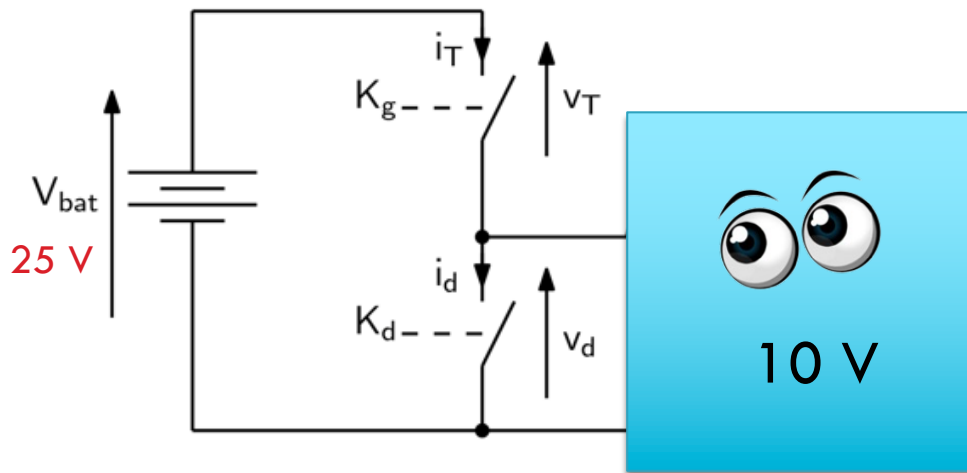


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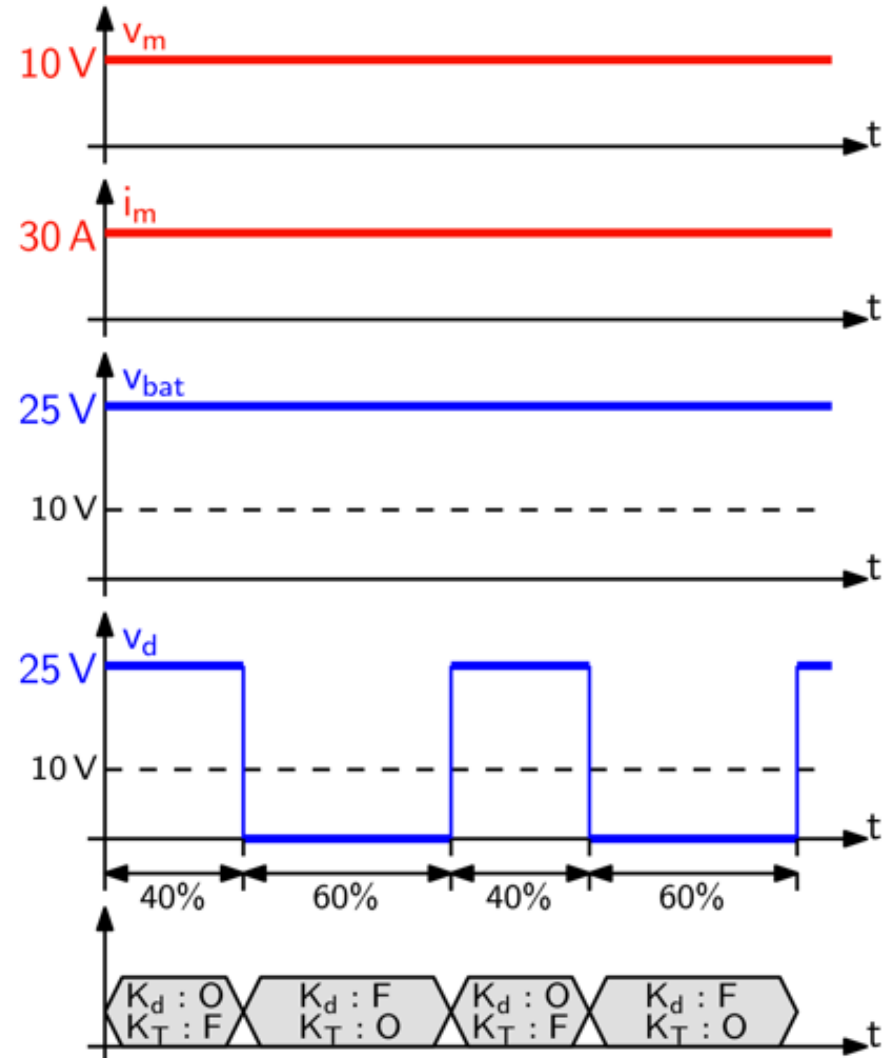
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Study of a structure

- Signals analysis :



Control duty cycle

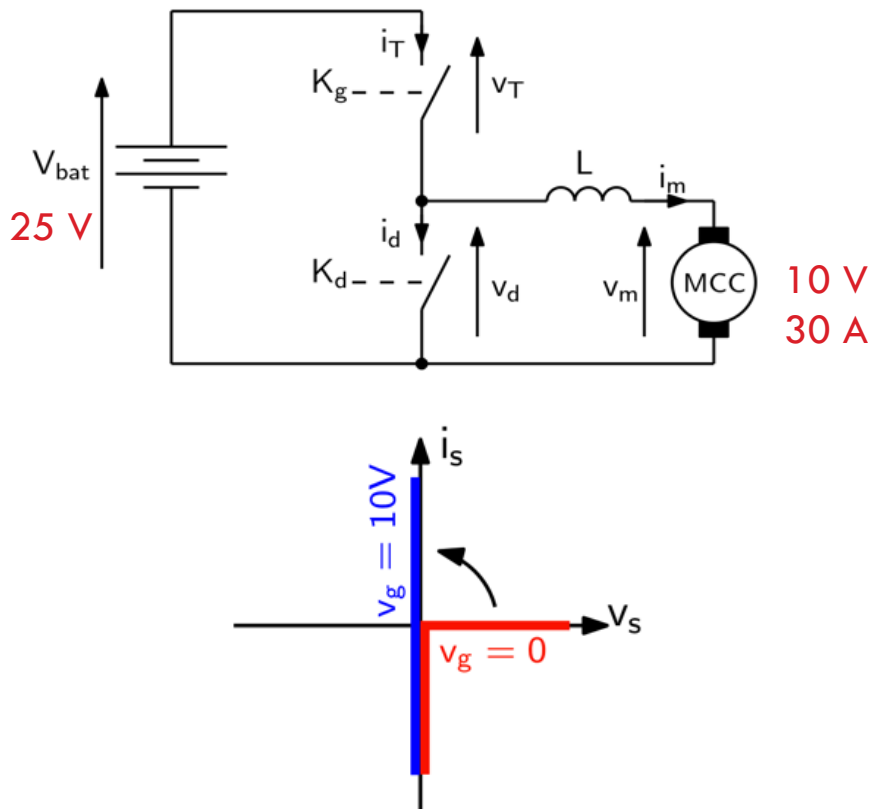


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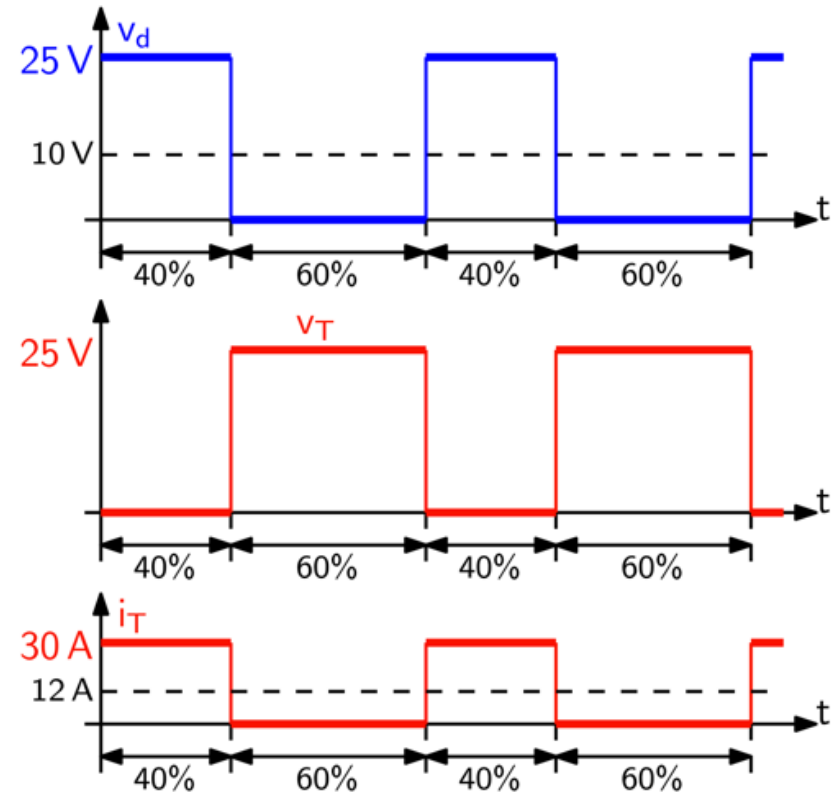
Study of a structure

□ Signals analysis :



□ Switch K_g :

- Move from [0A, 25V] to [30 A, 0V]
- Controlled switch

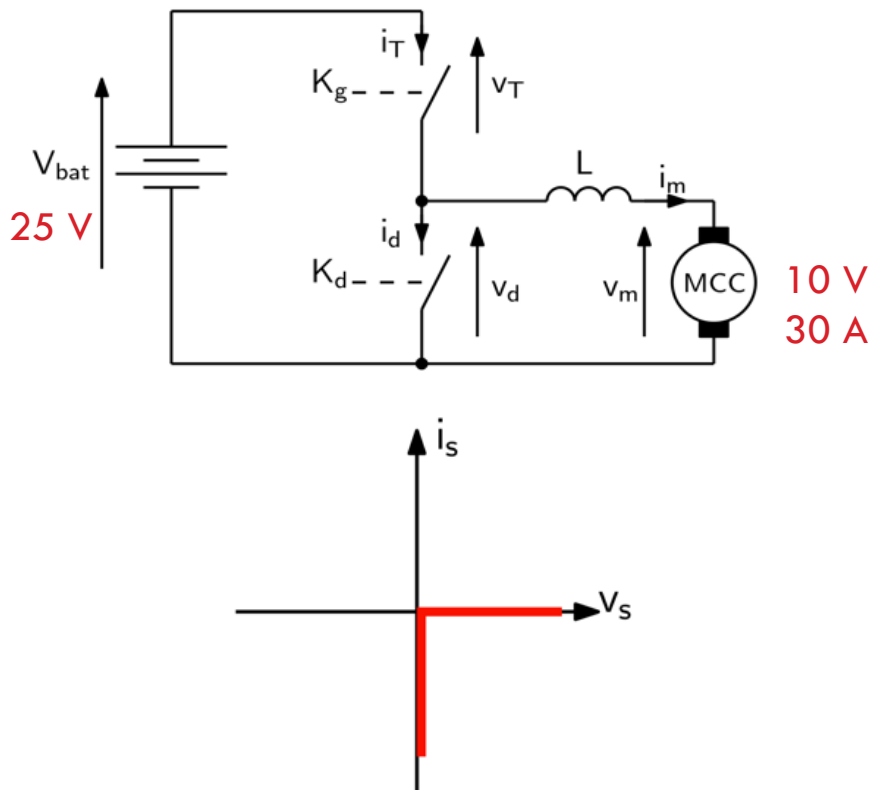


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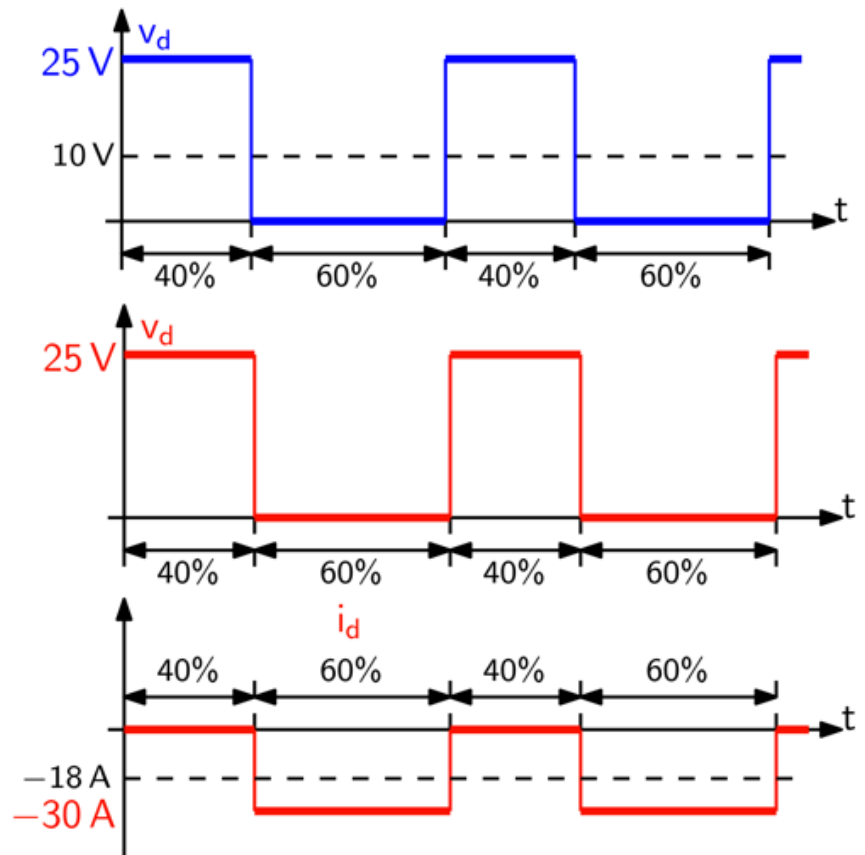
Study of a structure

□ Signals analysis :



□ Switch K_d :

- Move from [0A, 25V] to [-30A, 0V]
- Controlled switch

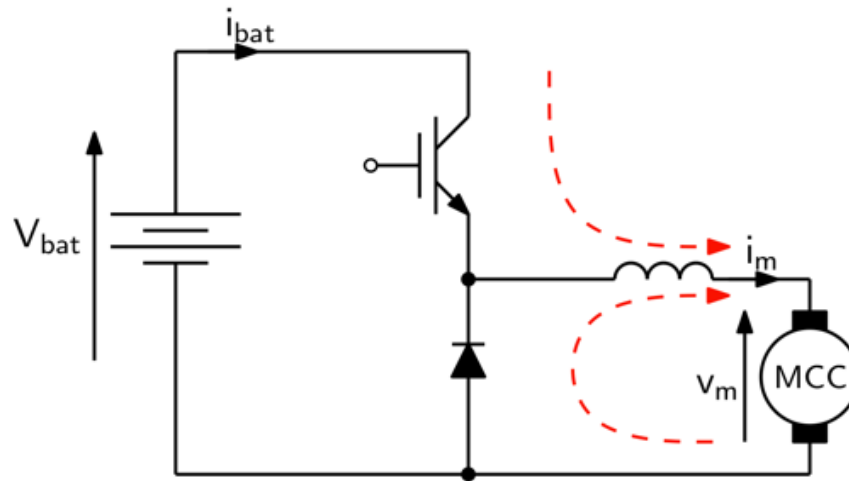


Power converter

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Study of a structure

- ❑ Converter DC/DC : voltage reduction (BUCK)
- ❑ Flux of power : from Fuel Cell (battery) to motor

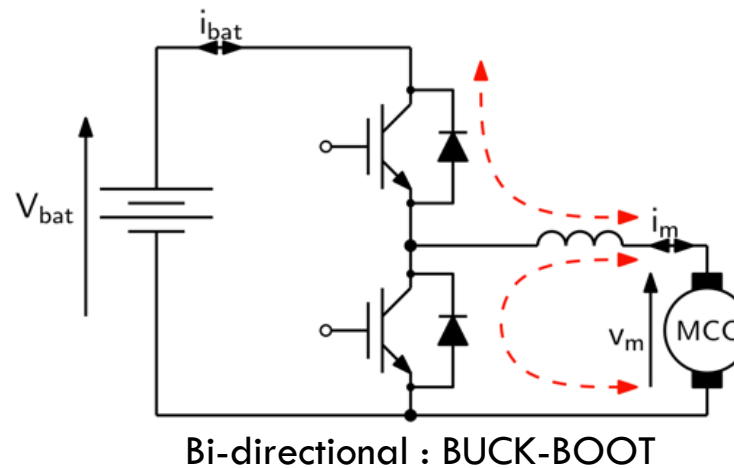
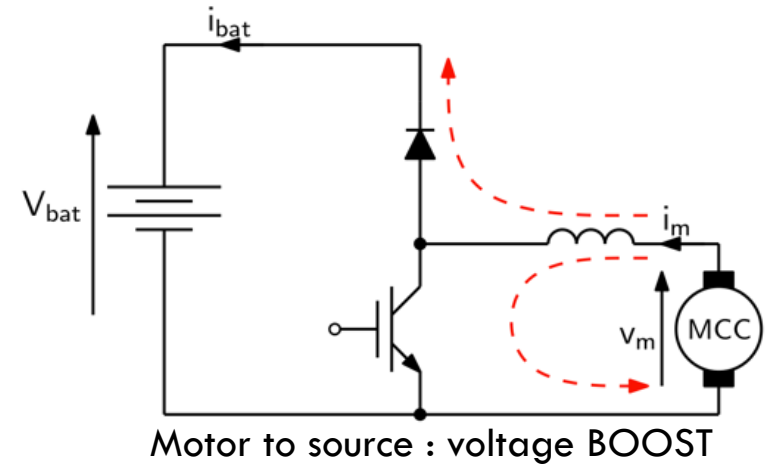
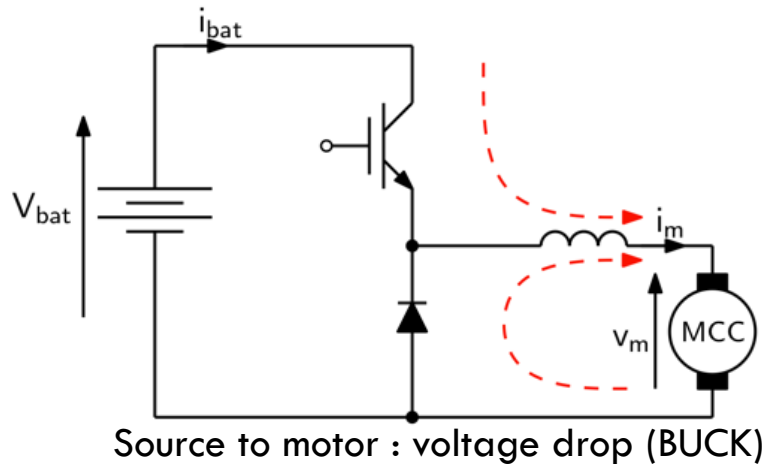


What about energy recovery during braking phases ?

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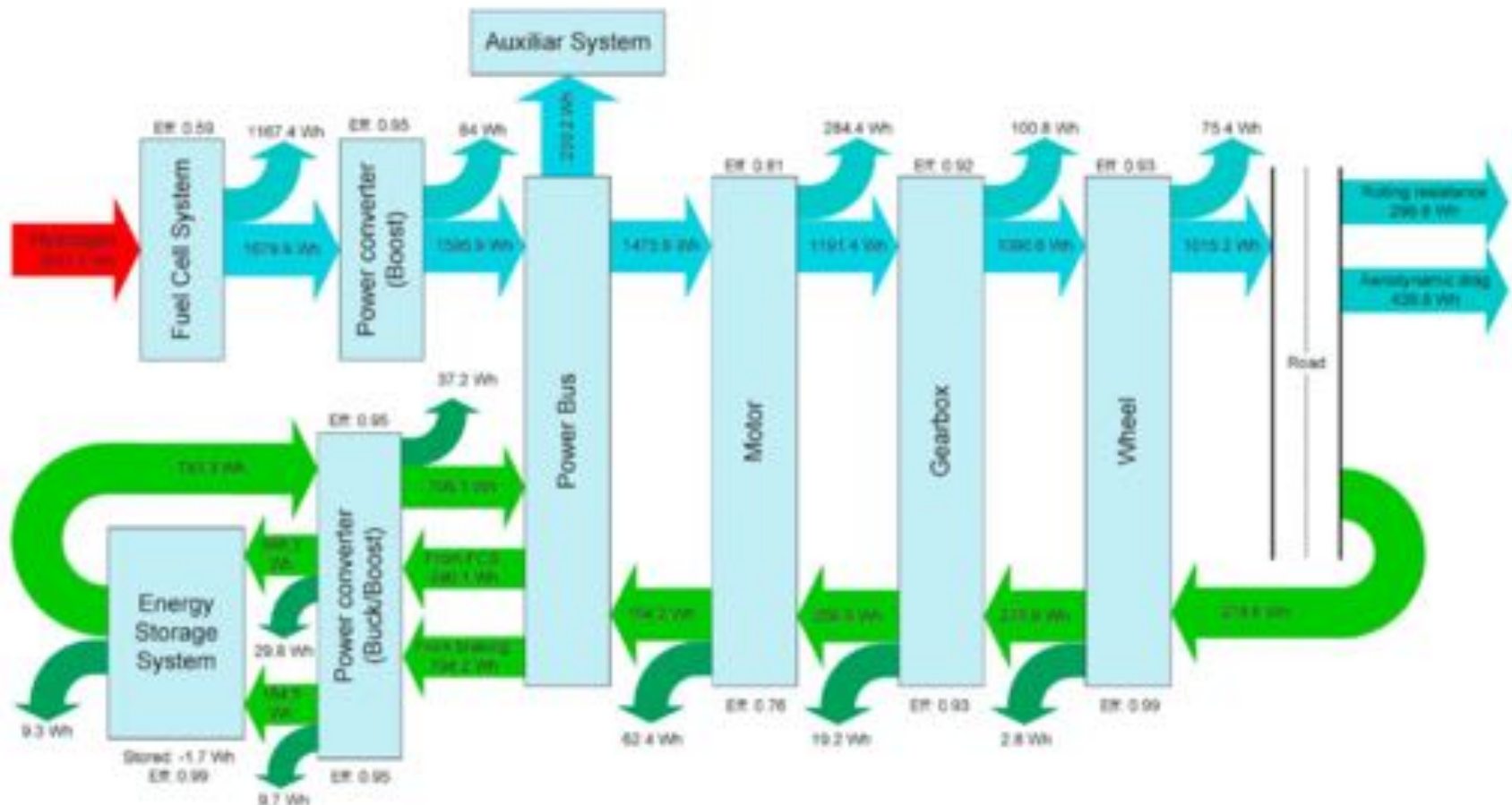
Possible structure :



Benefits of hybrid structure

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To optimize, a global energetic model is needed...



Objectives

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- ❑ Shell Eco Marathon (www.shell.com) :
 - ❑ « To design, build and drive energy efficient vehicles. The winners are the teams that go the farthest distance using the least amount of energy »
- ❑ European edition :
 - ❑ 240 teams, 30 countries
 - ❑ 2 categories : Prototype, Urban-Concept
 - ❑ Distance : 16.3 km (10 rounds in city)
 - ❑ Speed > 25km/h (average)
- ❑ Energies :
 - ❑ ICE : Gasoline, diesel, ethanol, CNG
 - ❑ Electric mobility : H2, solar, batteries



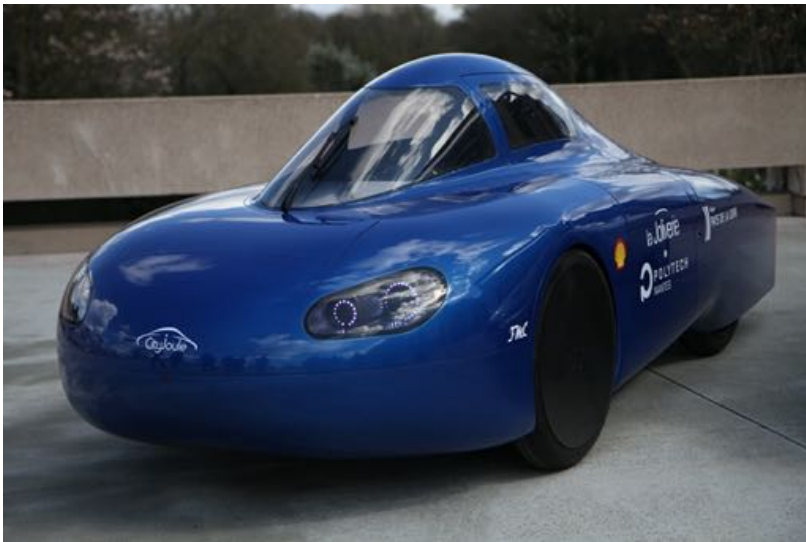
Fig1 : Cityjoule at London track 2018

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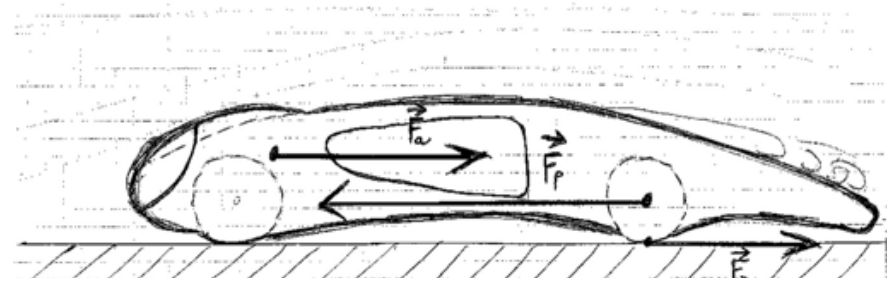
Before model optimization of vehicle is required :

High performances electric car



Urban-Concept « Cityjoule »

Need to reduce : mass, drag coefficient, tires friction, ...



$$m \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = F_w - F_{rr} - F_{slope} - F_{aero} - F_{brake}$$

$$F_w = \eta_g \frac{r_{gear}}{R} \Gamma_m$$

$$F_{rr} = m g f_r \cos(\arctan(r_{slope}))$$

$$F_{slope} = m g \sin(\arctan(r_{slope}))$$

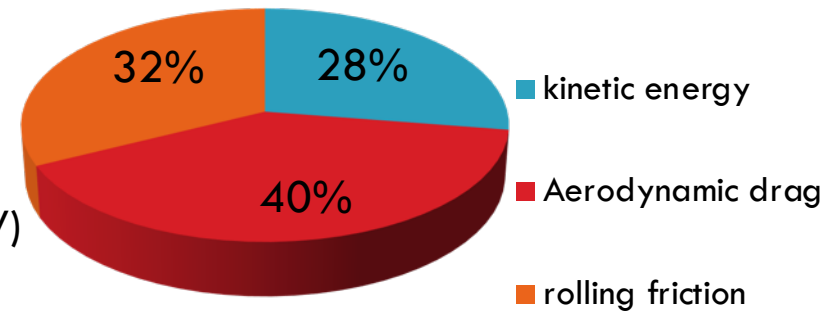
$$F_{aero} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_{air} S C_x (v(t) + v_{wind})^2$$

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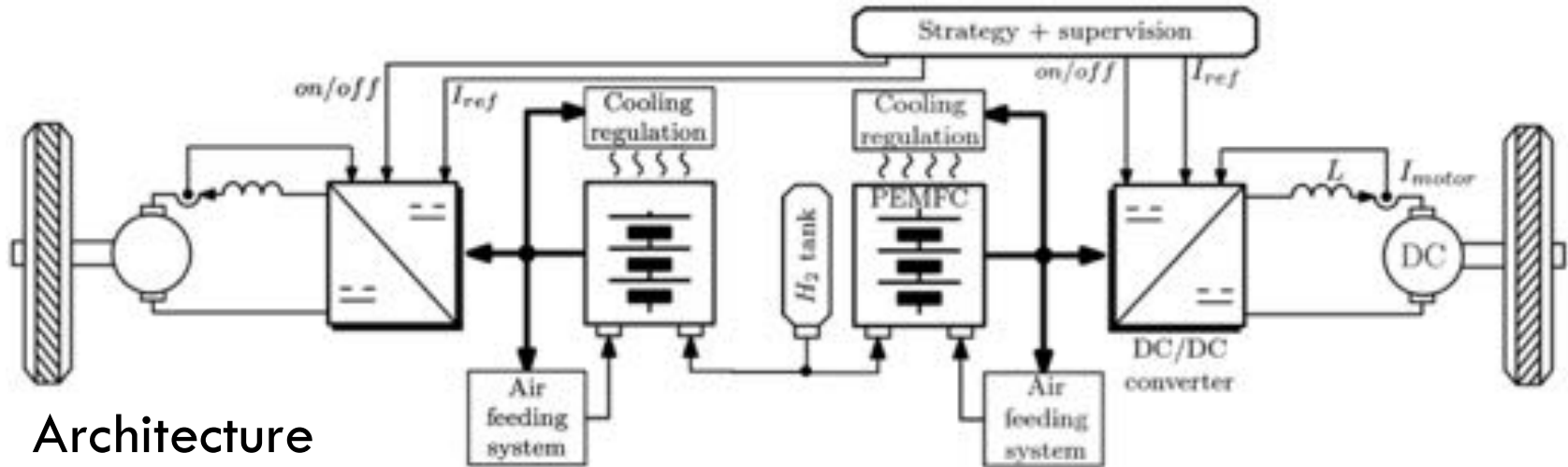
□ Mechanical part

- Weight : 100 kg + Pilot (70 kg)
- Drag coefficient (C_x) : 0.09 (0.3 Tesla EV)
- Frontal area : 0.88 m²
- Tires friction coefficient : 0.0035 (0.2 Tesla EV)
- Wheel diameter = 0.535 m
- Max. speed : 100 km/h



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□ Architecture

▣ Power train:

- Simplest structure, without auxiliary energy storage
- DC/DC power converter (Buck)
- High efficiency DC ironless motor

▣ Supervision/Security:

- H2 detector
- Controller for speed/torque/fan control and for power saving management (unused systems can be turned off)
- Real-time Data acquisition Workstation (UEI) for post-processing data

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□ Tank-to-wheel

▣ Inputs :

- Motor current (for torque control, acceleration)
- Velocity cycle (Min/Max speeds)
- External constraints (Wind, slope of the track, ambient temperature, ...)

▣ Outputs :

- Power/energy consumption and efficiency, for each stage
- Thermal behavior of Fuel Cell
- Global Efficiency of the vehicle, from the tank to the wheel

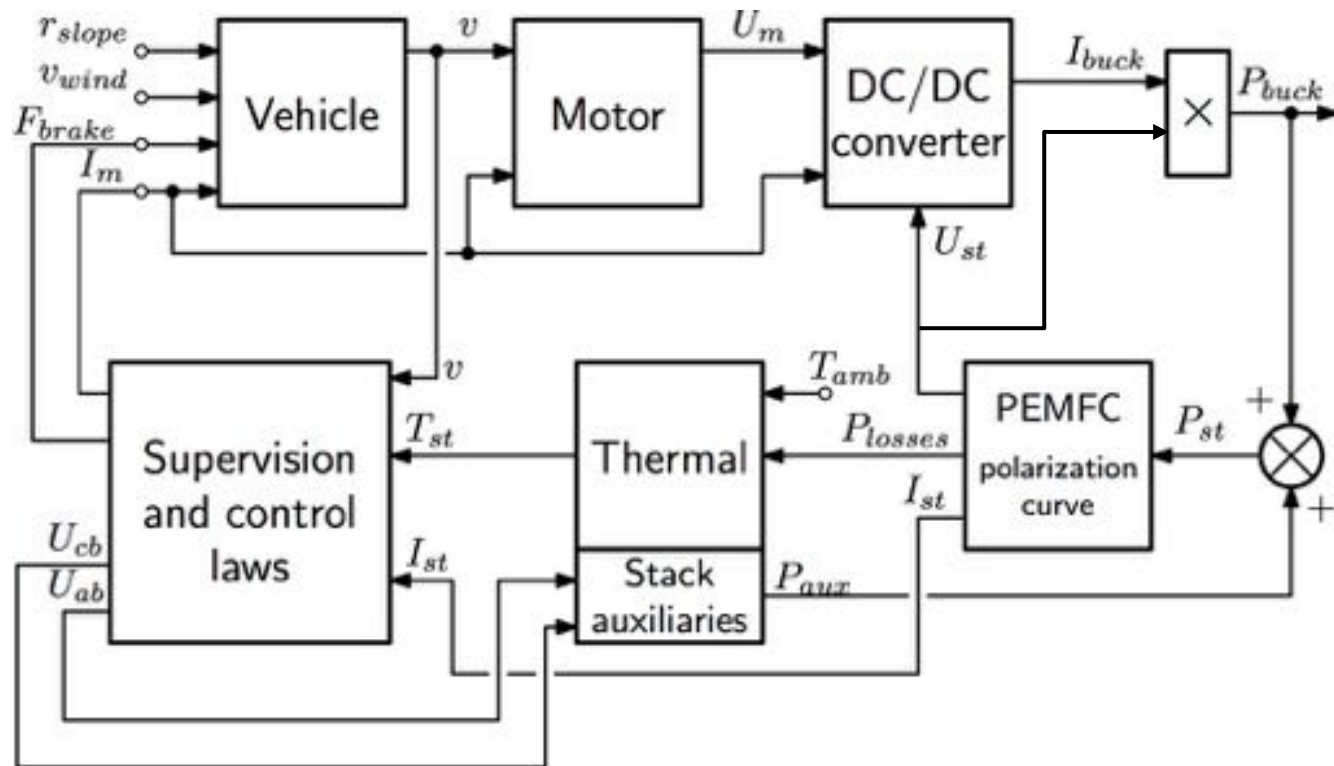
□ Model to be implemented

- ▣ PEMFC : Electrical + thermal + auxiliaries consumption
- ▣ Powertrain : electrical losses + consumption of electronic devices
- ▣ Mechanical : mechanical losses + dynamic behavior

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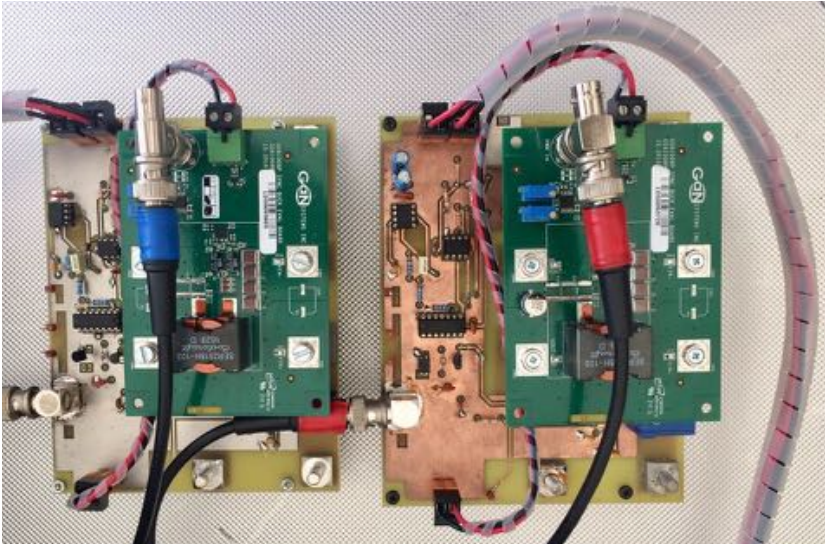
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- Multi-physics tank to wheel model

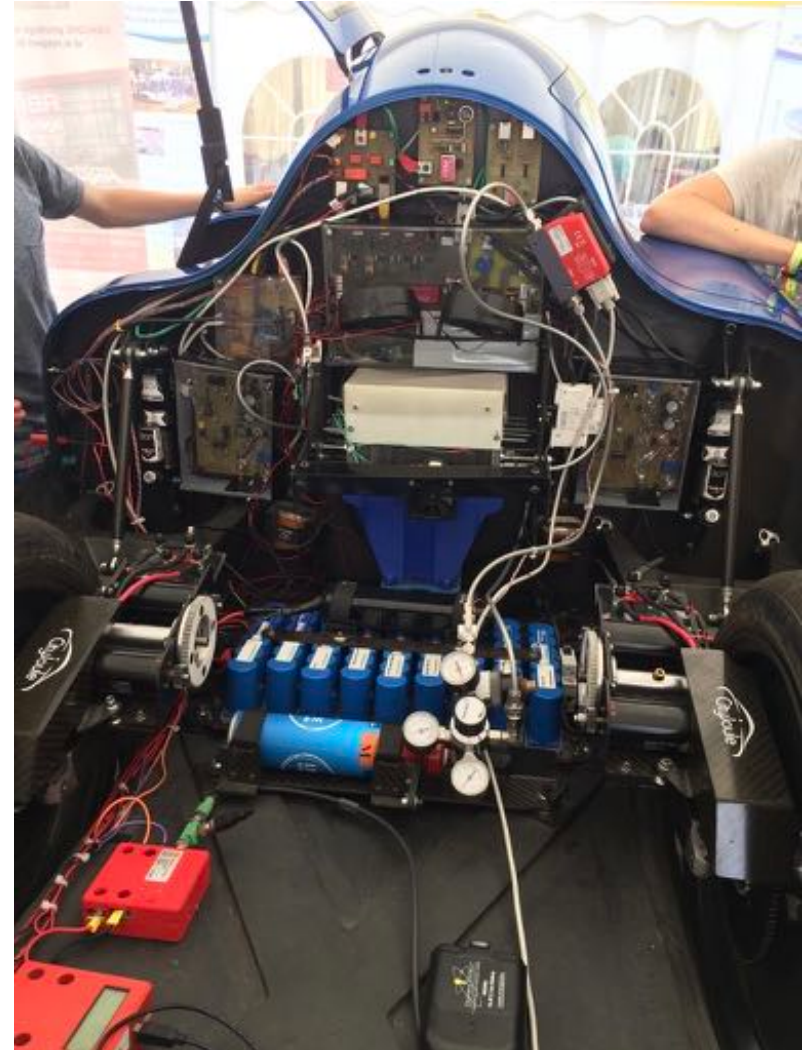


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GaN components to increase global efficiency and remove smooth inductances



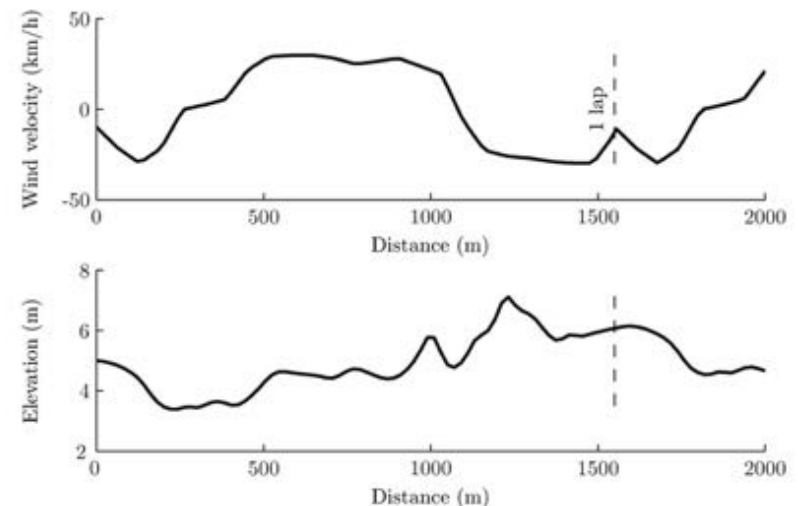
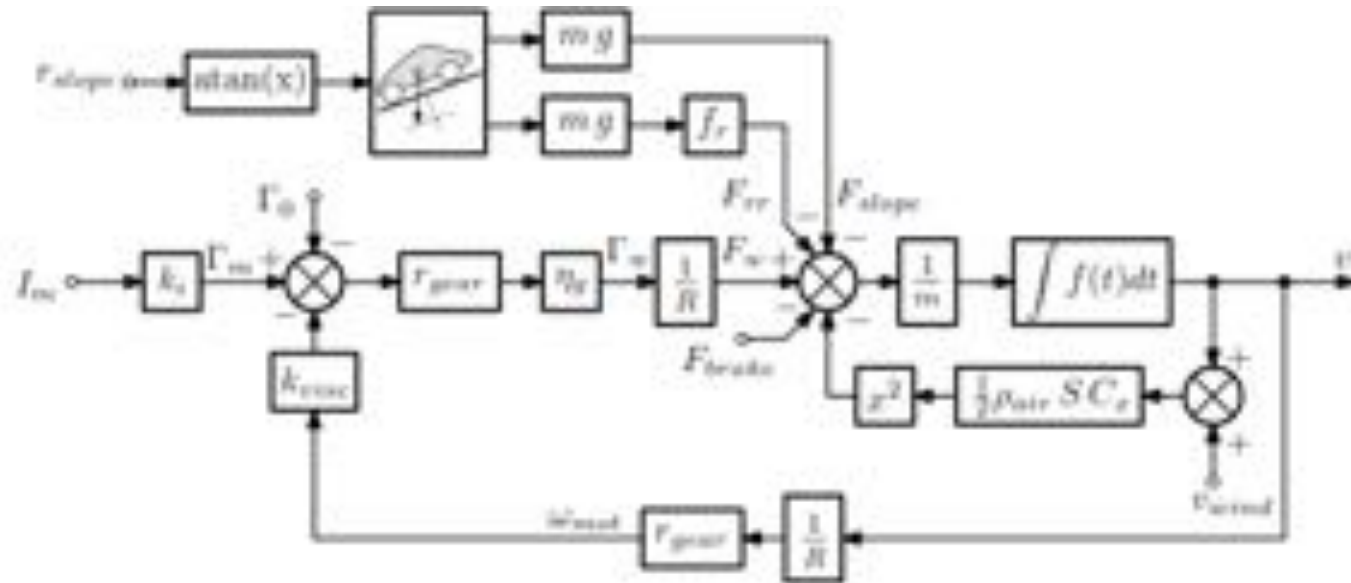
Rear side of vehicle

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□ Mechanical model

- ▣ Input : Motor current
- ▣ Output : Speed and Torque profiles
- ▣ Parameters : Slope and Wind in any position on the track, gear ratio



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Thermal model of the PEMFC

- 1st order model: Homogeneous temperature

$$mC_p \frac{dT}{dt} = P_{th\ src} - P_{th\ ab} - P_{th\ evap} - P_{th\ nat} - P_{th\ cb}$$

- Thermal power source

- Given according polarization curve

- Thermal power evacuated by evaporation

- Water produced during reaction in liquid form
- Water completely drained in vapor form

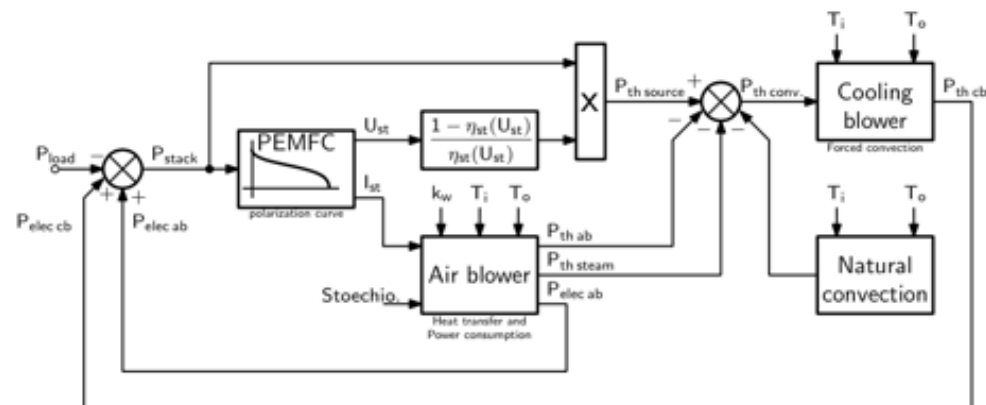
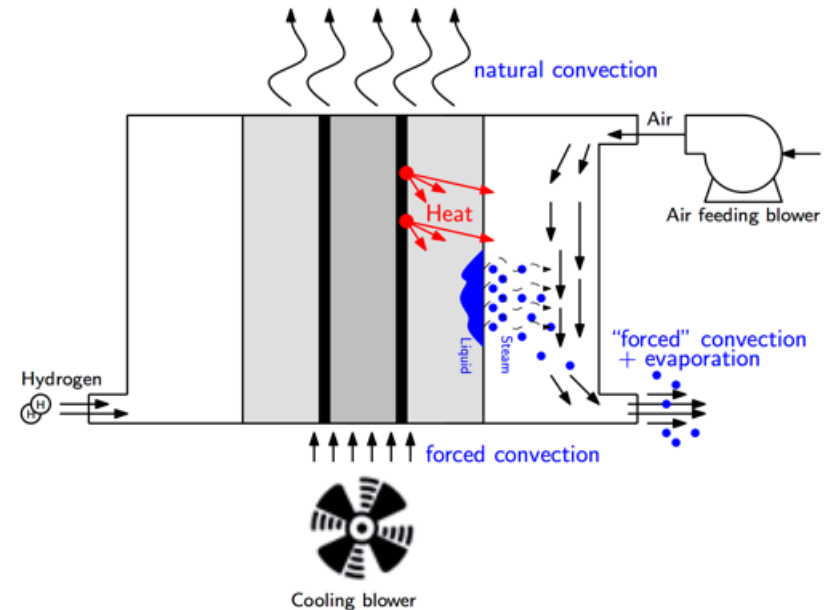
- Thermal power evacuated by air blower

- Forced convection by air flow in air channel

- Thermal power evacuated by cooling blower

- Forced convection by air flow
- Perfect exchange with fuel cell

- Thermal power evacuated by natural convection



Multi-physics model

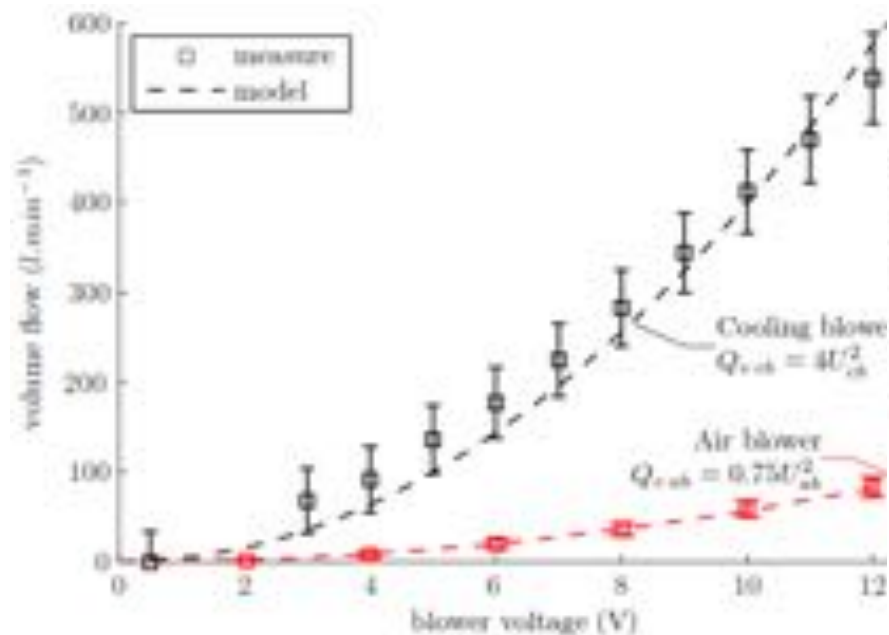
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□ Auxiliaries control laws and electrical consumptions

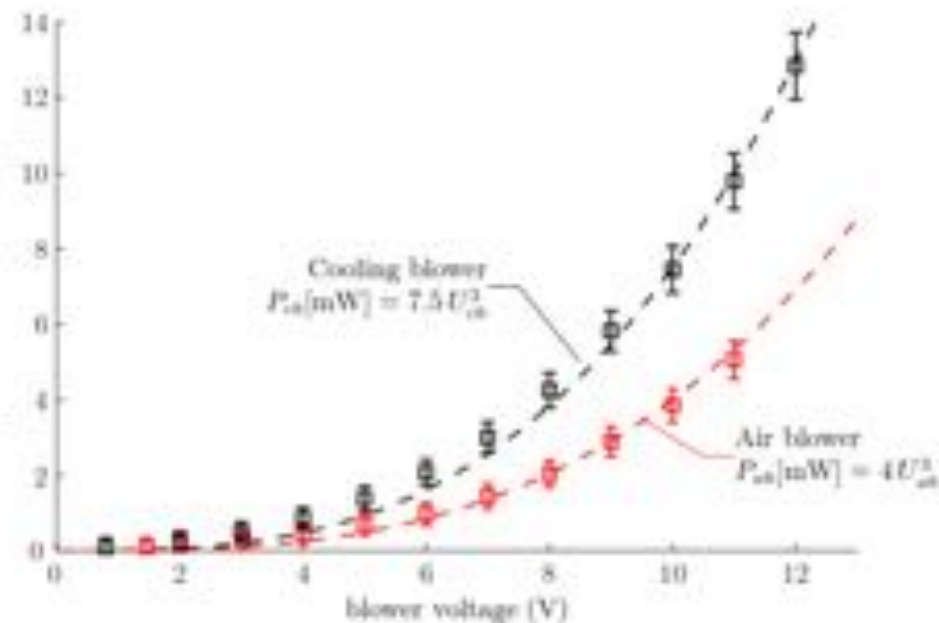
- ▣ Air flow controlled through the blower voltage, depending on the stack's current and Air stoichiometric ratio S_c :

$$Q_{vab} = 60000 \frac{5 R_c (273, 15 + T_{st})}{4 P_a F} I_{st} n_{cells} S_c$$

- ▣ Cooling blower: Air flow drive by cooling regulation (Hysteresis controller)



AIR FLOW FOR EACH BLOWER

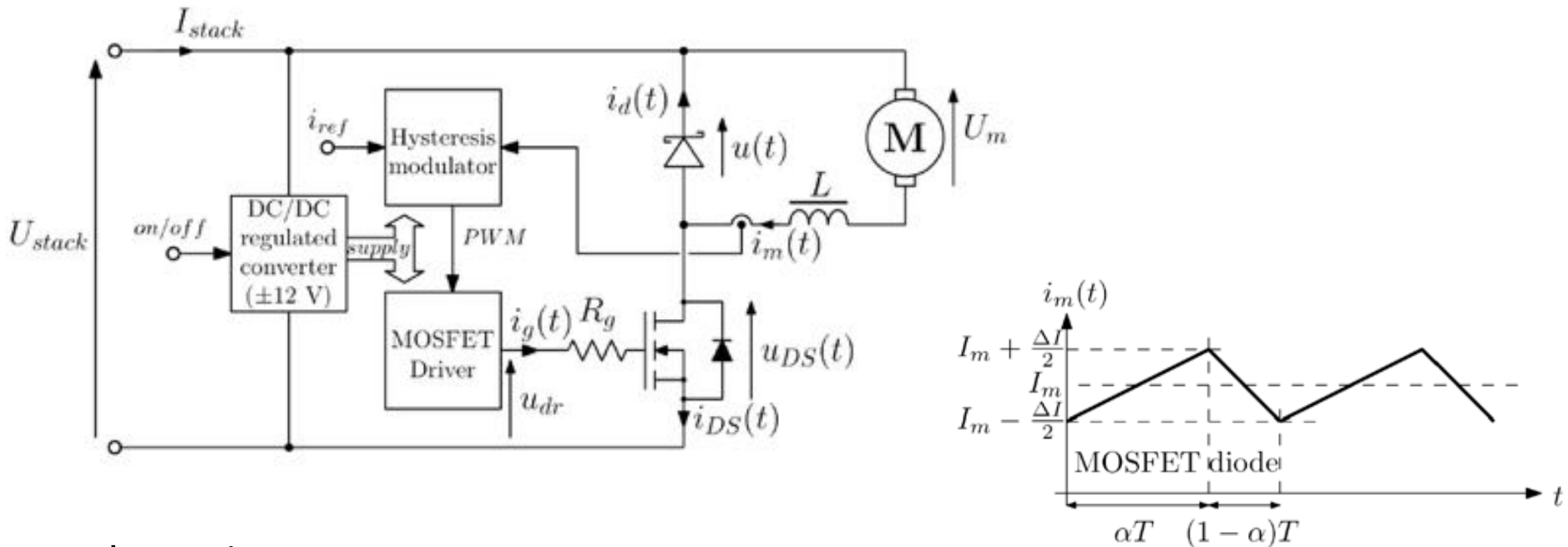


ELECTRICAL POWER CONSUMPTION

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□ Studied power converter



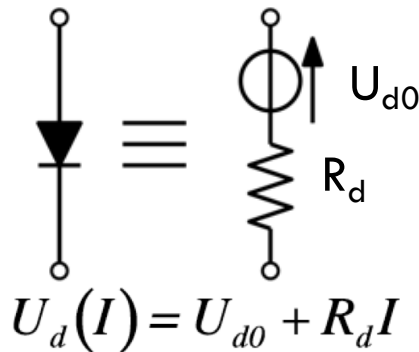
□ Losses in power converter :

- Diode + MOSFET : commutation (transient behavior), conduction, open)
- Smoothing inductance
- Command (sensor, regulator, wiring, drivers, electronics, ...)
- Wiring + contact

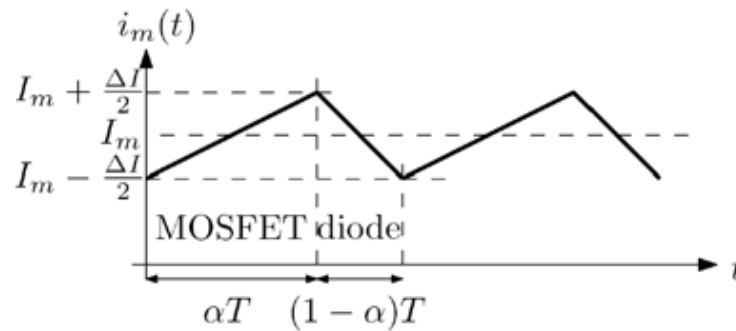
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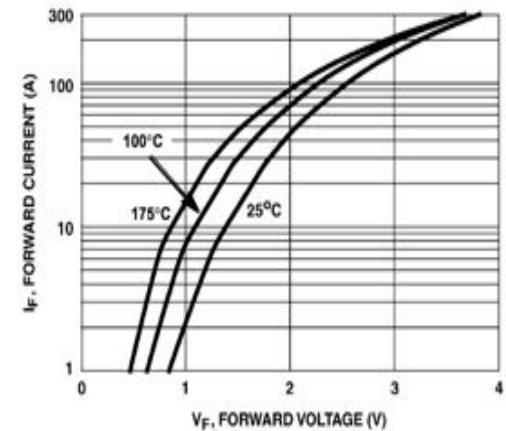
□ Diode model during conduction



Constant threshold voltage
in series with resistance



Motor current with ripple



RHRP3060

30A, 600V Hyperfast diode

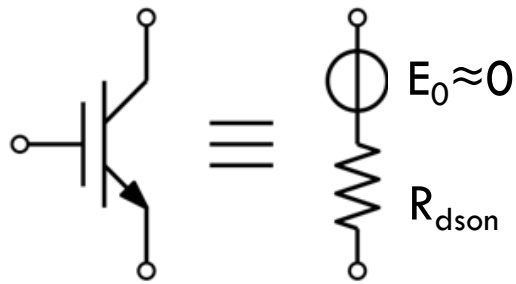
□ Losses by conduction

$$P_{c \text{ diode}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{(1-\alpha)T} (U_{d0} + R_d i_m(t)) i_m(t) dt = (1-\alpha) \left(\frac{\Delta I^2}{12} + R_d I^2 + U_{d0} I \right)$$

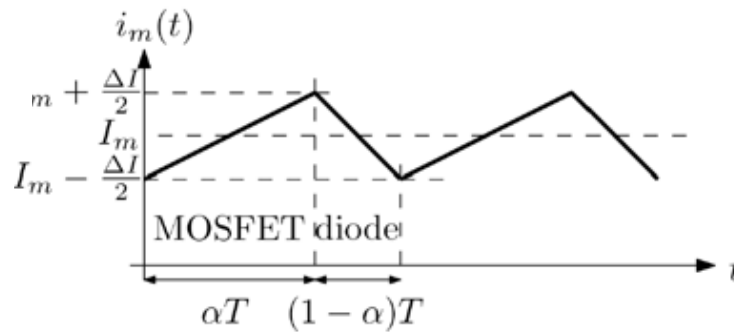
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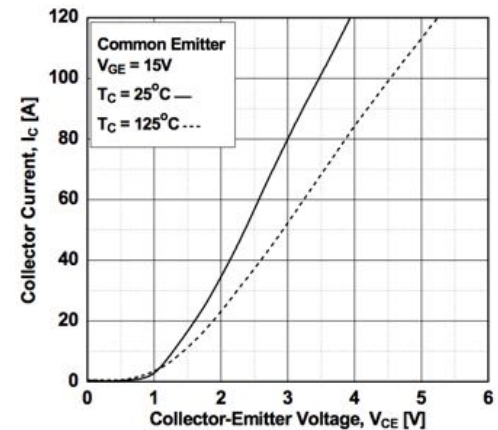
□ MOSFET model



Constant threshold voltage
in series with resistance



Approximation of motor
current with ripple



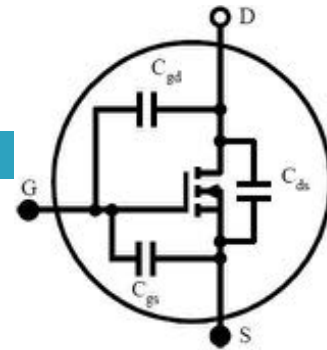
FGA20N120FTD
1200V, 20A Trench IGBT

▣ Losses by conduction

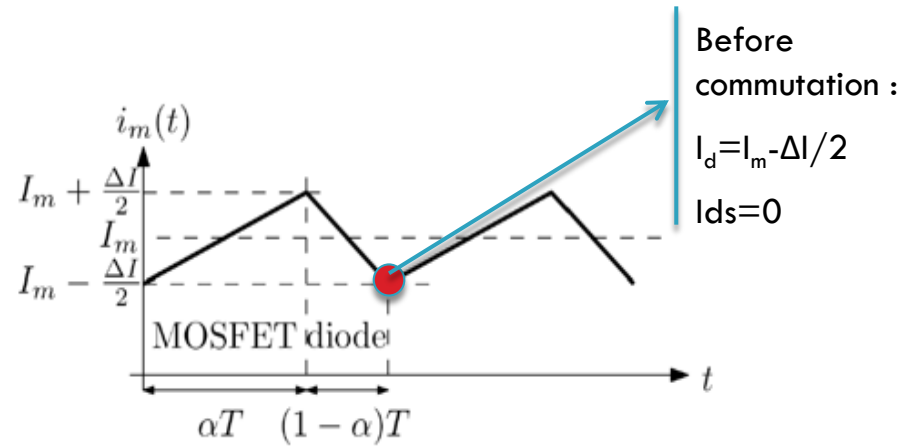
$$P_{c \text{ mosfet}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{\alpha T} R_{ds(on)} i_m(t)^2 dt = R_{ds(on)} \alpha \left(\frac{\Delta I^2}{12} + I^2 \right)$$

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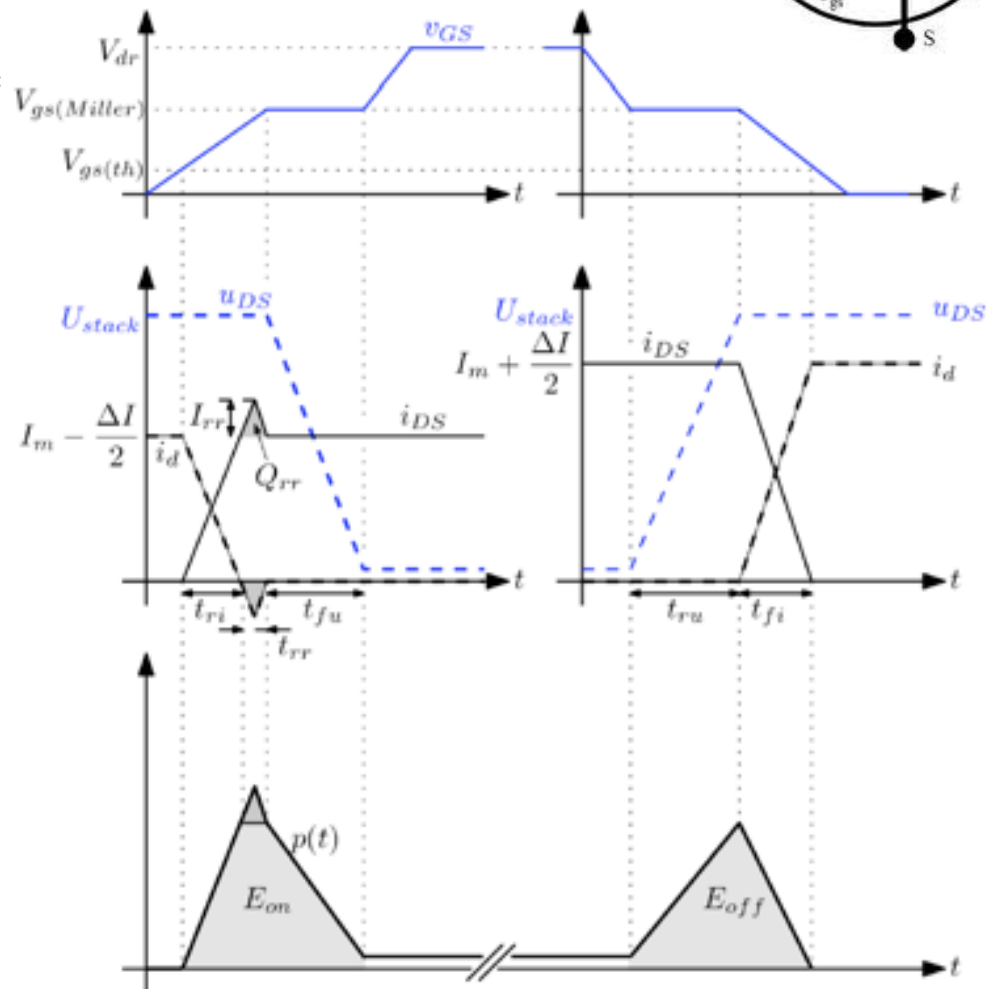


Commutation losses for MOSFET and Schottky diode



Transient divided in three steps :

- $V_{gs} > V_{gs(th)}$:
Start of current I_{DS} rising
- Reverse-recovery current has to be absorbed by the MOSFET (extra losses)
- When the diode is switched off,
The voltage of the MOSFET can reach the supply voltage



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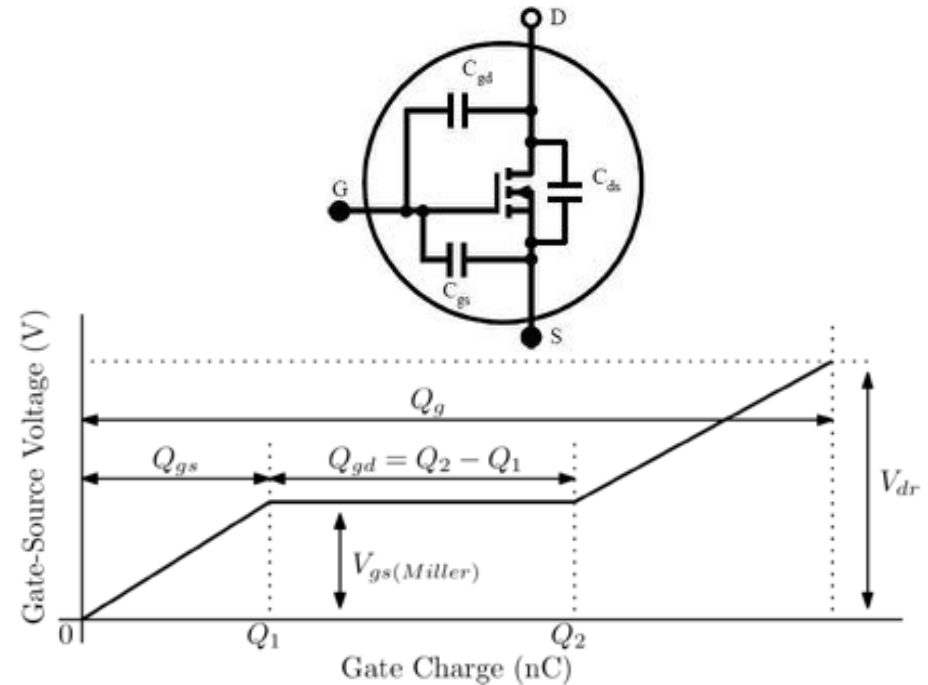
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Commutation power evaluation

V_{gs} and I_g can be easily calculated:

$$V_{gs(Miller)} = V_{gs(th)} + \frac{I_D}{g_{fs}}$$

$$I_{g(Miller)} = \frac{V_{dr} - V_{gs(Miller)}}{R_g}$$



Rise and fall time can be deduced and power calculated :

$$t_{fu} = \frac{Q_{gd}}{I_{g(Miller)}} = \frac{g_{fs} Q_{gd} R_g}{g_{fs} (V_{dr} - V_{gs(th)}) - I_D}$$

$$t_{ru} = \frac{g_{fs} Q_{gd} R_g}{g_{fs} V_{gs(th)} - I_D}$$

$$E_{on} = (I_m + \Delta I) U_{stack} \frac{t_{fu} + t_{ri}}{2} + Q_{rr} U_{stack} \quad E_{off} = (I_m - \Delta I) U_{stack} \frac{t_{ru} + t_{fi}}{2} \quad P_{sw} = (E_{on} + E_{off}) f_s$$

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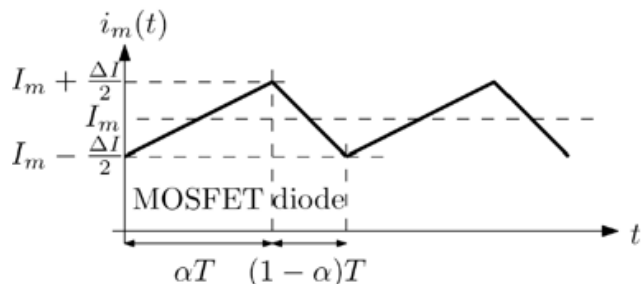
□ Losses in the smoothing inductance

▣ Geometric and physical description (1 mHenry/20A)



Parameter		Value
effective volume	V_e	71 890 mm ³
effective length	L_e	172 mm
effective area	A_e	418 mm ²
air gap	e	0.5 mm
relative permeability	μ_r	10 000
number of turns	n	44

▣ Wiring Joule's losses



$$P_{c \text{ ind}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_T R_L i_m^2(t) dt = R_L \left(\frac{\Delta I^2}{12} + I_m^2 \right)$$

Approximation of motor current with ripple

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- Core losses (hysteresis and eddy current losses)

Typically Steinmetz formula used :

$$P_{mag} = k f^{\alpha_m} \Delta B^{\beta}$$

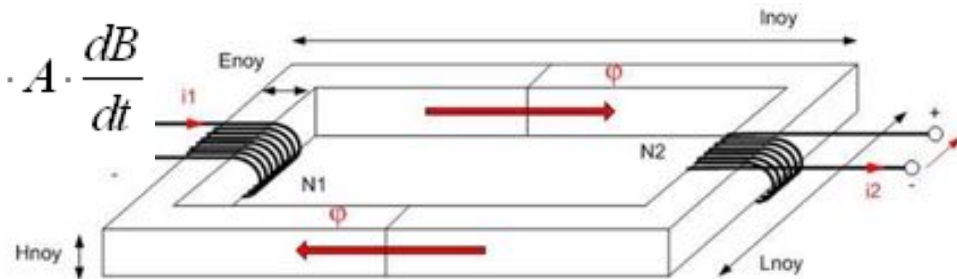
Where ΔB is peak induction, f frequency in kHz,
 P_{mag} magnetic loss density (mW/cm³).

Experiment rather than Epstein test bench

$$E_{lossV} = \int_{-B}^{+B_{max}} H \cdot dB ; V_2(t) = N_2 \cdot \frac{d\phi}{dt} = N_2 \cdot A \cdot \frac{dB}{dt}$$

$$H(t) = \frac{N_1 \cdot i_1(t)}{l_m}$$

$$p_{v\ mag} = \frac{1}{V_{core} T} \int_T i_m(t) \frac{n}{n_2} u_2(t) dt$$

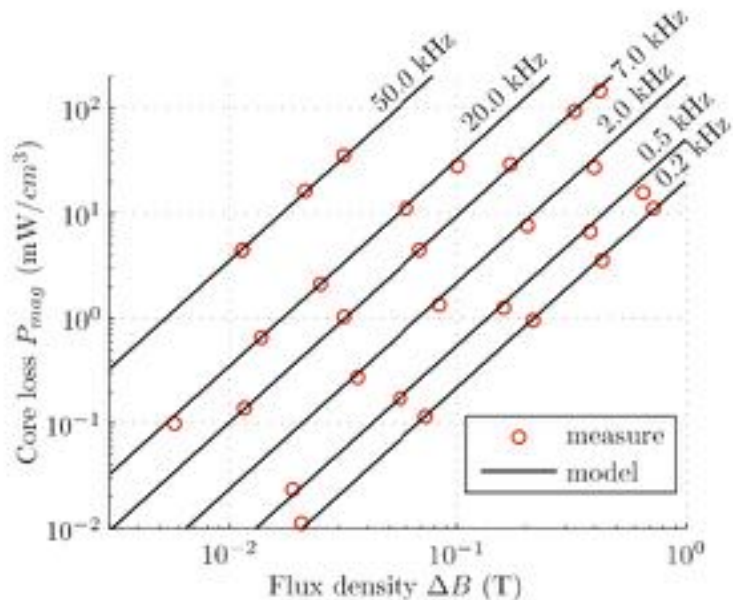


Principle of core losses measurement

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Comparison between measure and model



Comparison measure/Steinmetz formula
with $k=100.05$, $\beta=1.96$ and $\alpha_m = 1.0 + f \cdot 9.10^{-6}$

Expression of peak induction according to current ripple

To be included in the model, must be expressed in term of current ripple



$$\Delta B = \Delta I \frac{\frac{\mu_0 n}{L_e} + e}{\mu_r}$$

then $P_{mag} = p_{v\ mag} \bar{V}_{core}$

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□ Losses involved by command

!!!! Due to the very high efficiency, the small signal electronic has to be taken into account !!!

▣ Power to stabilize fuel cell voltage

$$P_{supply} = P_{eon} \left(\frac{1}{\eta_n} - 1 \right) + I_0 U_{stack}$$

Where I_0 no load consumption, P_{eon} the total consumption of small signal electronics and η_n the efficiency of source stabilization

▣ Current probe

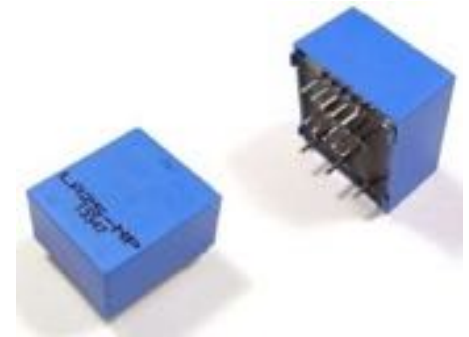
$$P_{LEM} = \frac{|I_m|}{1000} V_{dd} + I_{LEM0} (V_{dd} - V_{ss})$$

▣ Final consumption (with small electronics)

$$P_{supply} = \left(\frac{|I_m|}{1000} V_{dd} + I_{LEM0} (V_{dd} - V_{ss}) + P_{ctrl} \right) \left(\frac{1}{\eta_n} - 1 \right) + I_0 U_{stack}$$



TMR 3-2423W1 from TRACOPOWER®



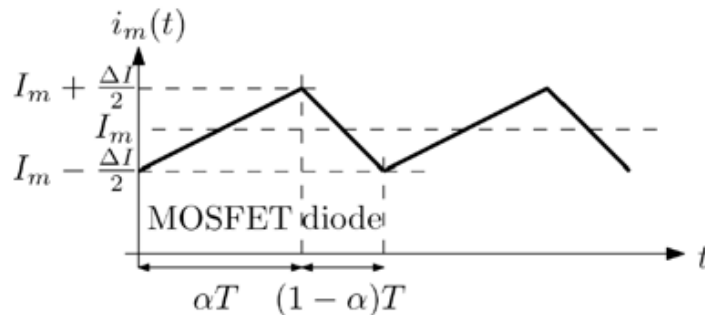
LA25 from LEM®

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□ Losses wiring and contacts

Connecting cables between the electronic board, the smoothing inductor and the propulsion motor



Approximation of motor current with ripple

$$P_{c \text{ ind}} = \frac{1}{T} \int_T R_L i_m^2(t) dt = R_L \left(\frac{\Delta I^2}{12} + I_m^2 \right)$$

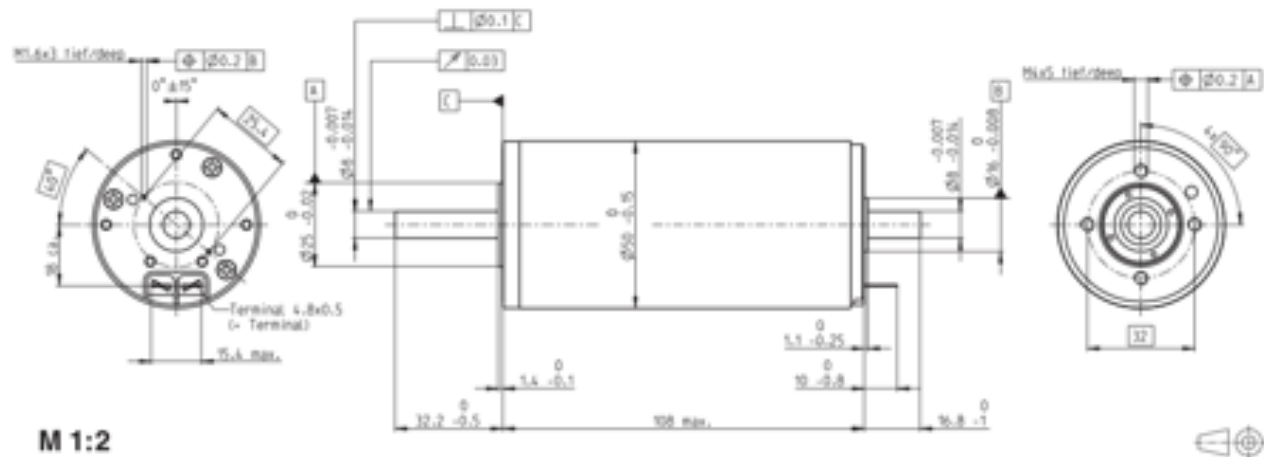
$$P_{\text{wiring}} = R_c \left(\frac{\Delta I^2}{12} + I_m^2 \right)$$

!!! Evaluation of contact resistance remains a big issue !!!

!!! Temperature evolution not taken into account !!!

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RE 50 Ø50 mm, グラファイトブラシ, 200 Watt



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- Motor losses

Brush losses

$$p_{balai} = E_b.I$$

- ▣ Windings losses (Joule's losses)

$$p_{Joule} = r.I^2$$

- Dry and viscous friction losses

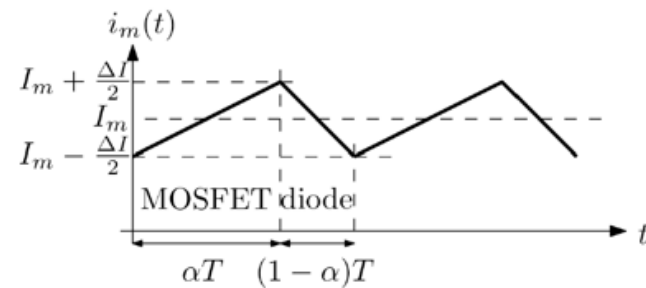
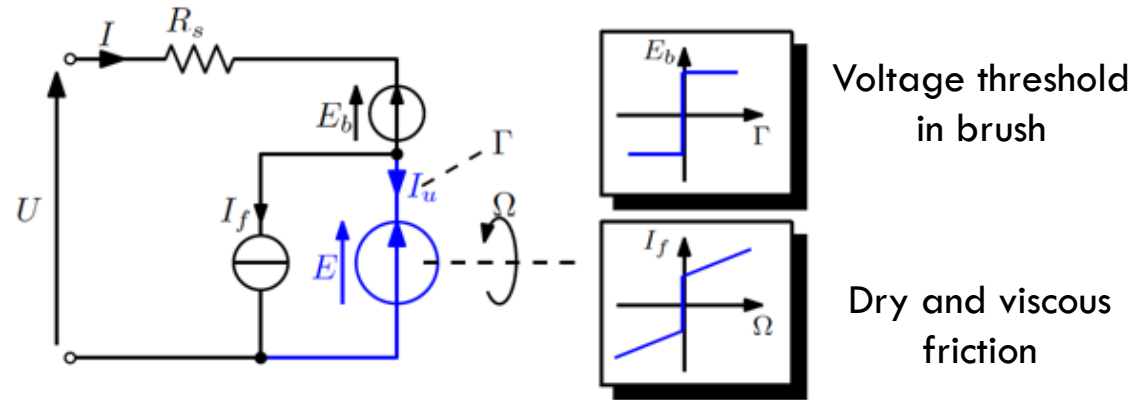
$$I_f = k_v.\Omega + k_s$$

- Efficiency calculation connected to circuit equation

$$E = U - rI - E_b$$

$$I_u = I - I_f$$

$$\eta = \frac{k_\phi \Omega (I - (k_v \Omega + k_s))}{k_\phi \Omega I + r I^2 + E_b I}$$



Approximation of motor current with ripple

Losses in DC motor

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□ Identification of parameters

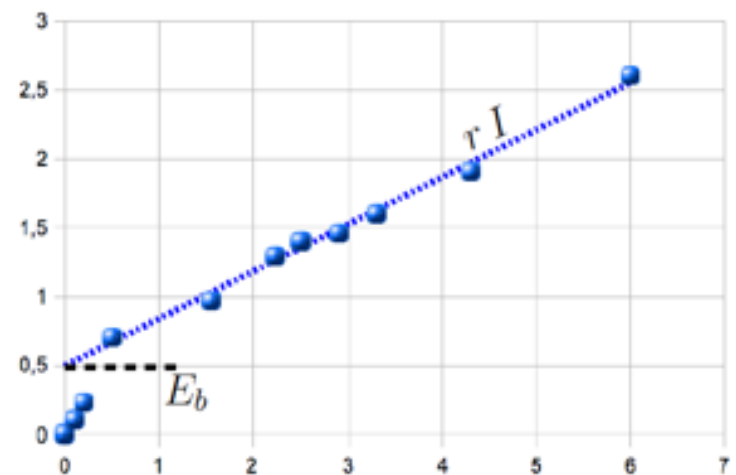
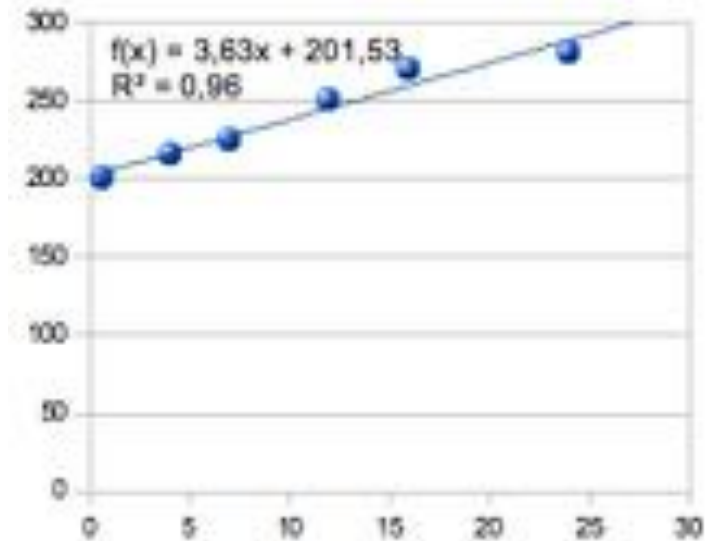
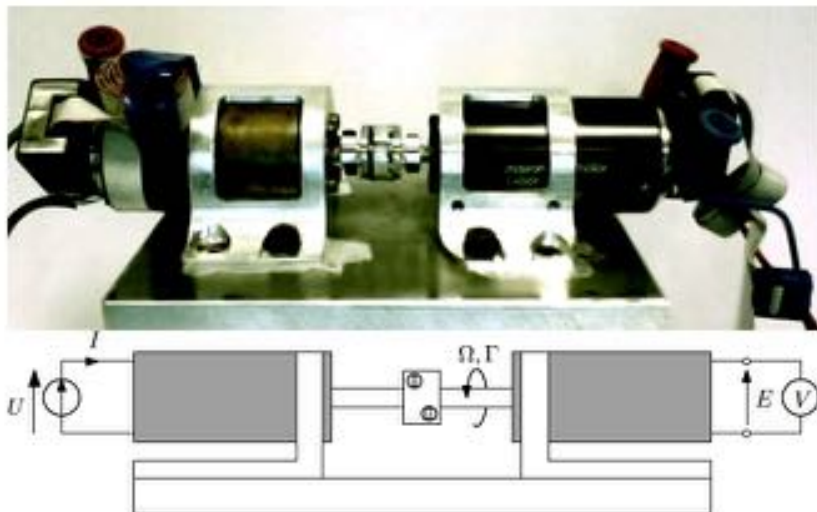
- ▣ Friction parameter with no load test

$$I_f(E) = Y_v E + I_0$$

With E no load voltage, I_f current source and I_0 starting current

- ▣ Brush voltage drop and windings losses with $\Omega=0$

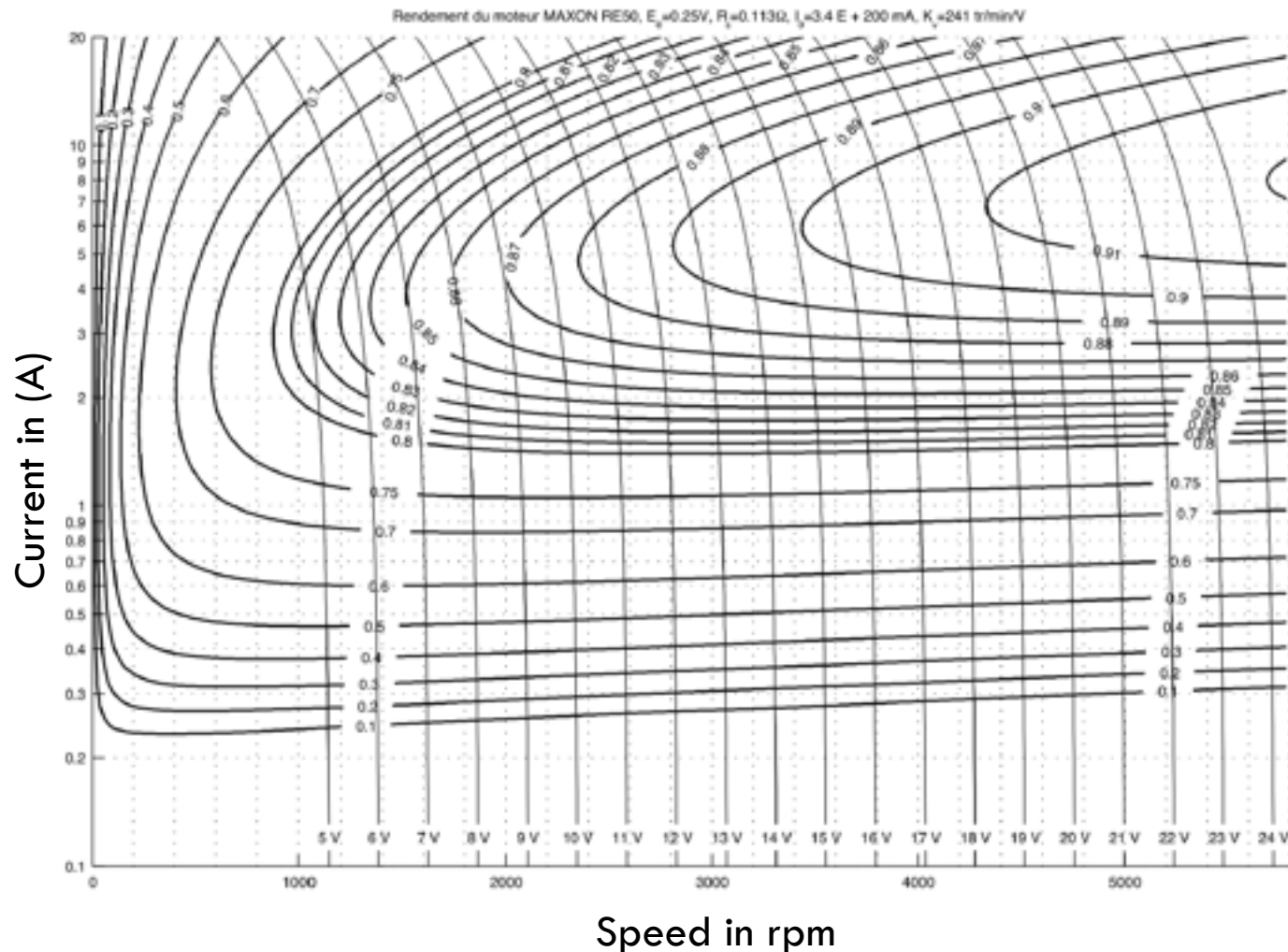
$$U(I) = r I + E_b$$



Losses in DC motor

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- Example of cartography working point and efficiency for RE50 motor



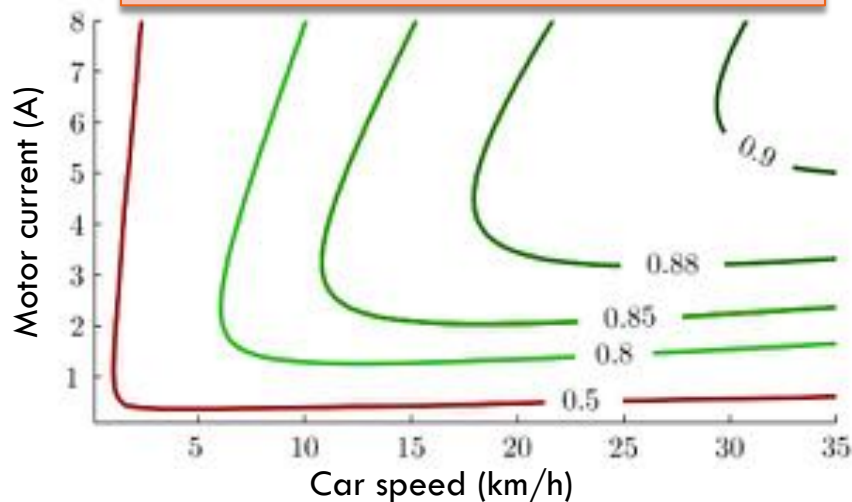
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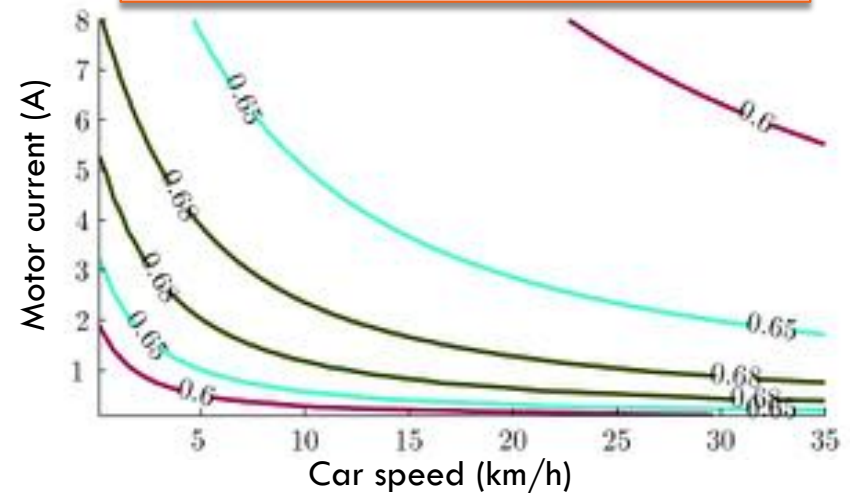
□ Result

- Each sub-system is described according to efficiency, speed of car and
- The tank to wheel efficiency is the superposition of all curves

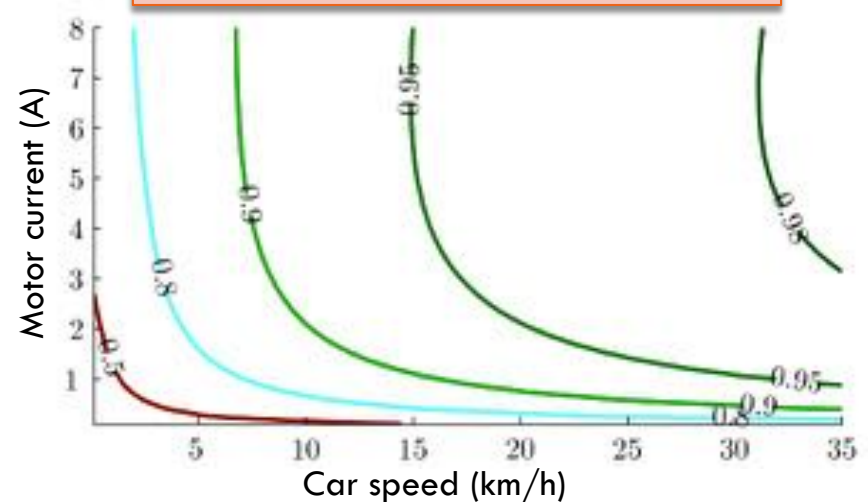
Motor drive



Stack + accessories



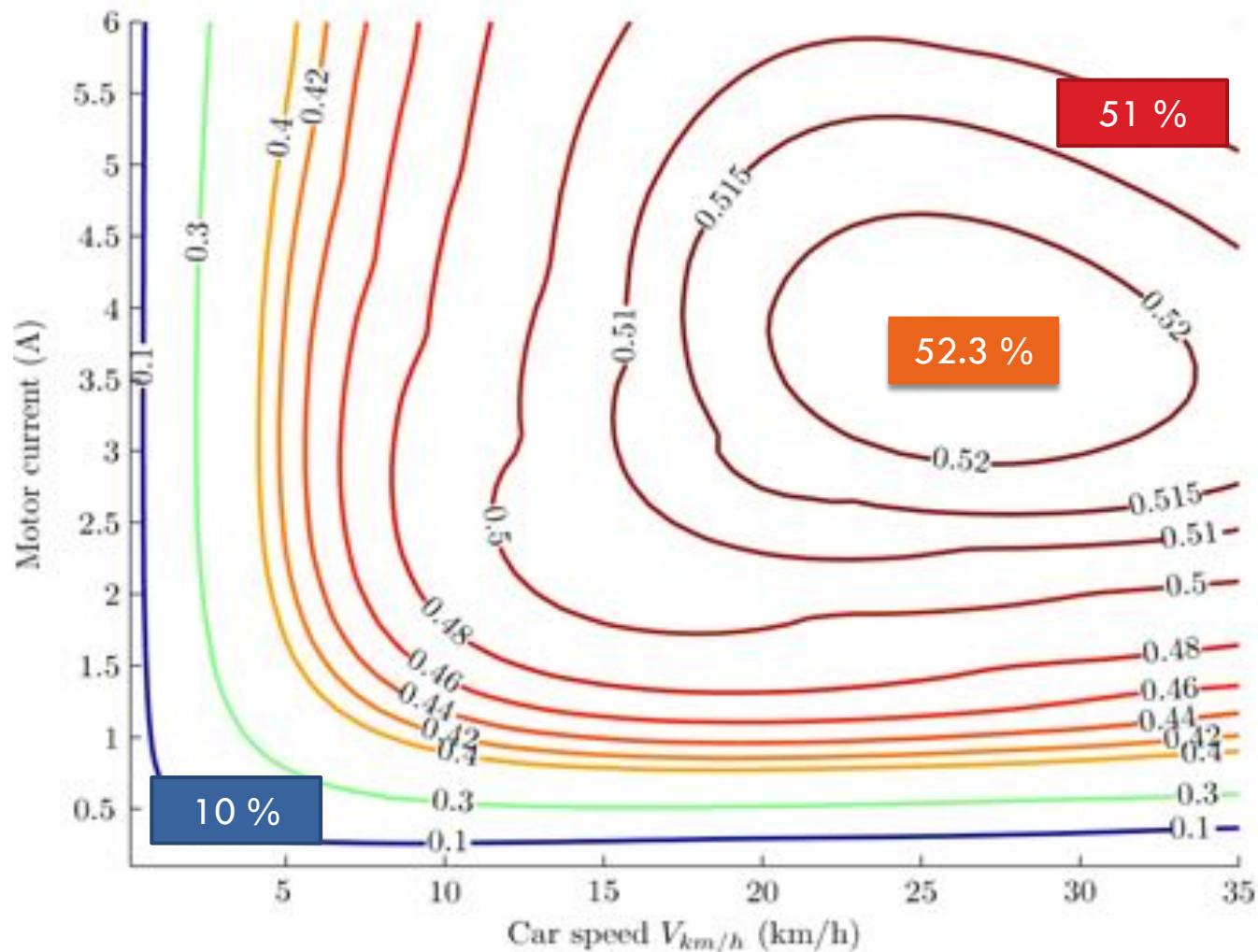
DC/DC converter



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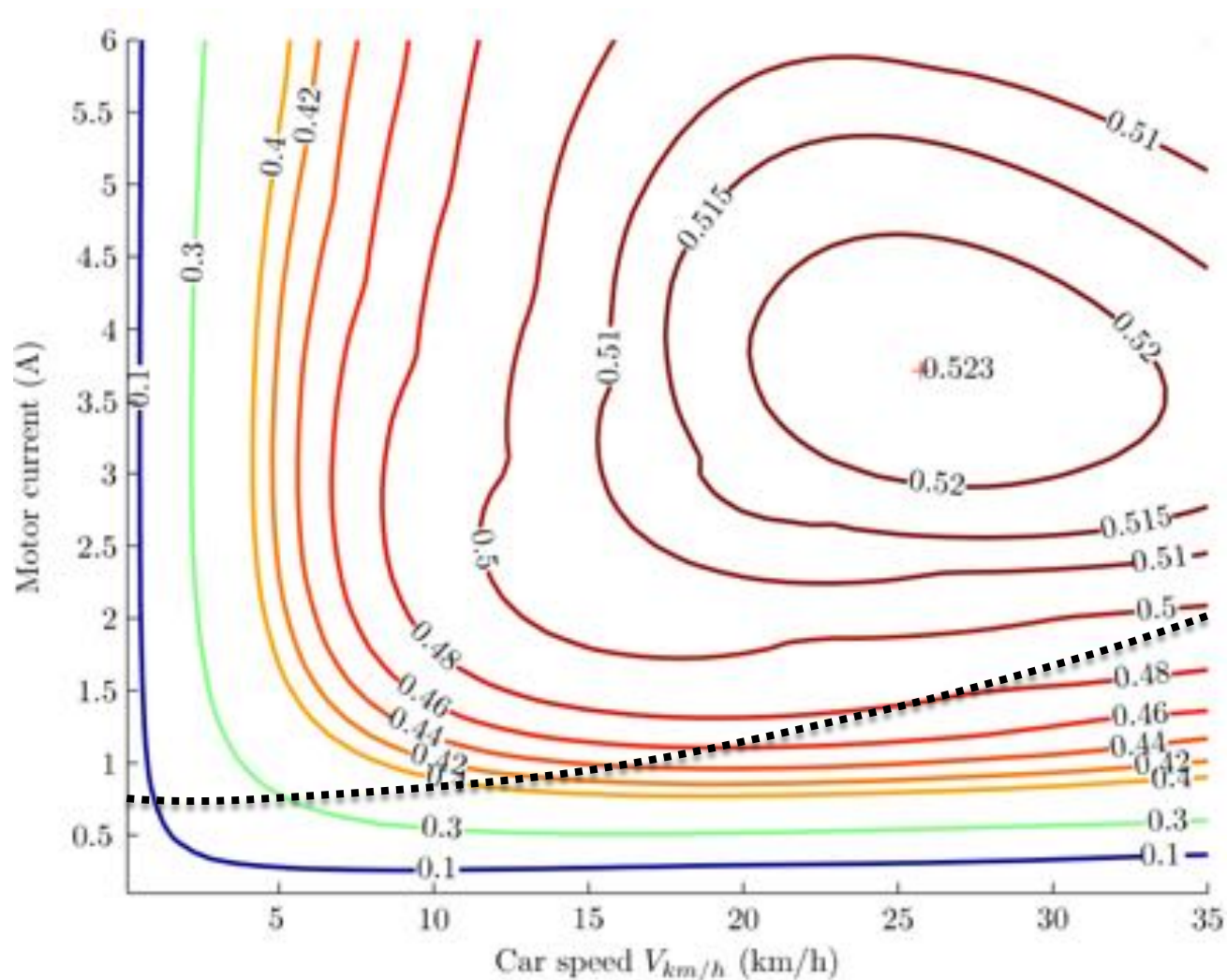
□ Tank to Wheel efficiency



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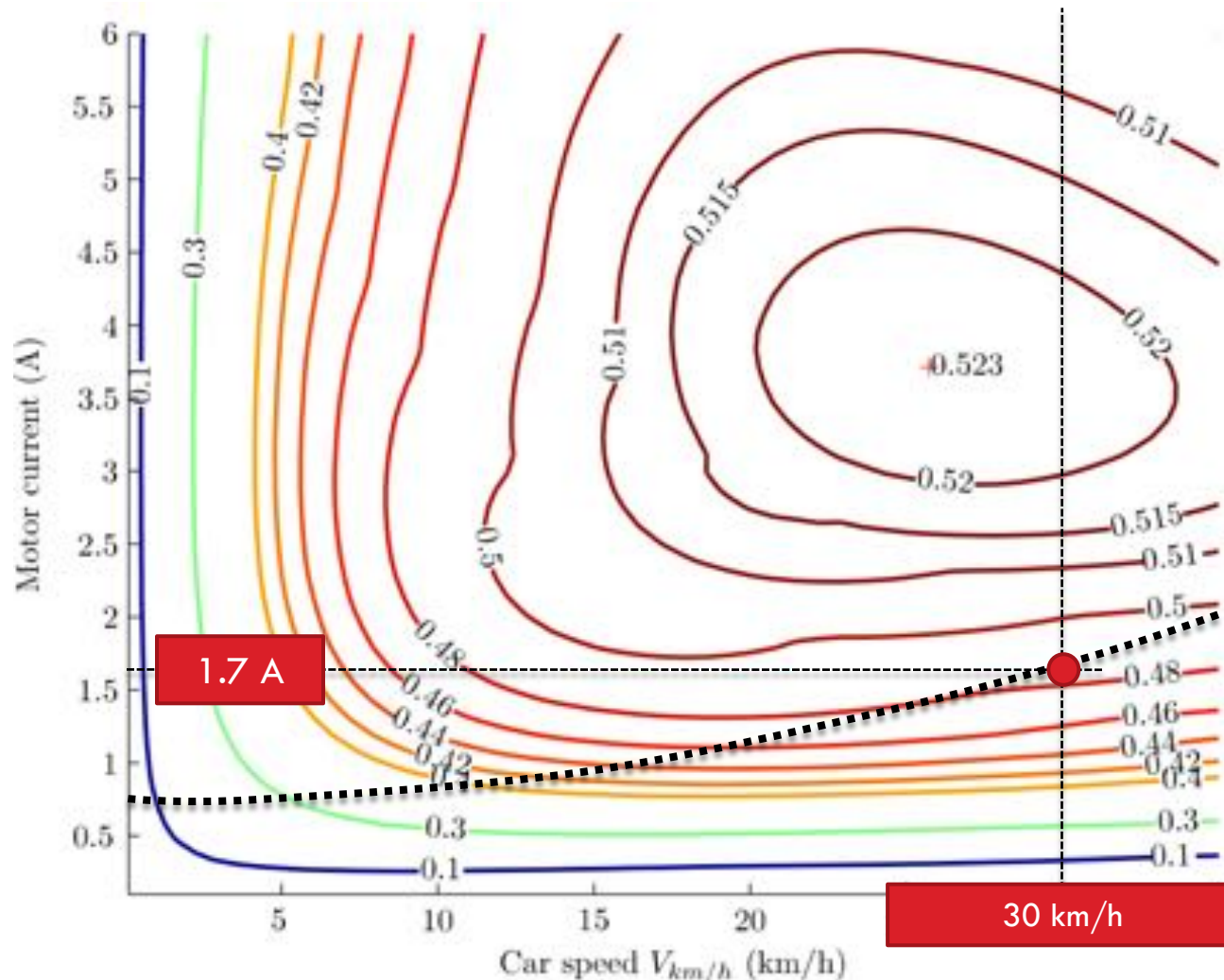
- Working point of car with no wind and no slope



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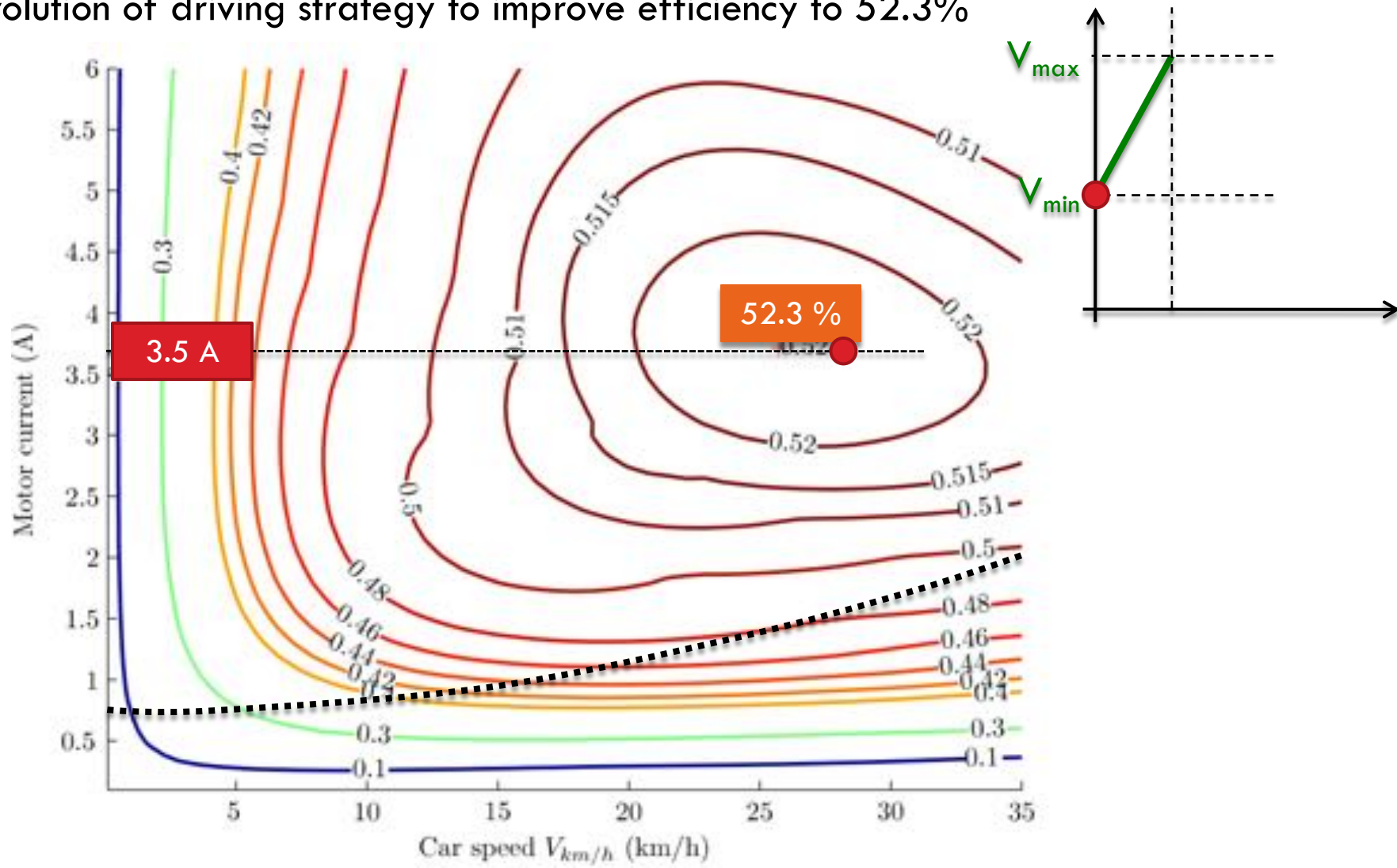
- To have a speed of 30km/h, 1.7A is required (49% efficiency which is not the best)



Global energetic model

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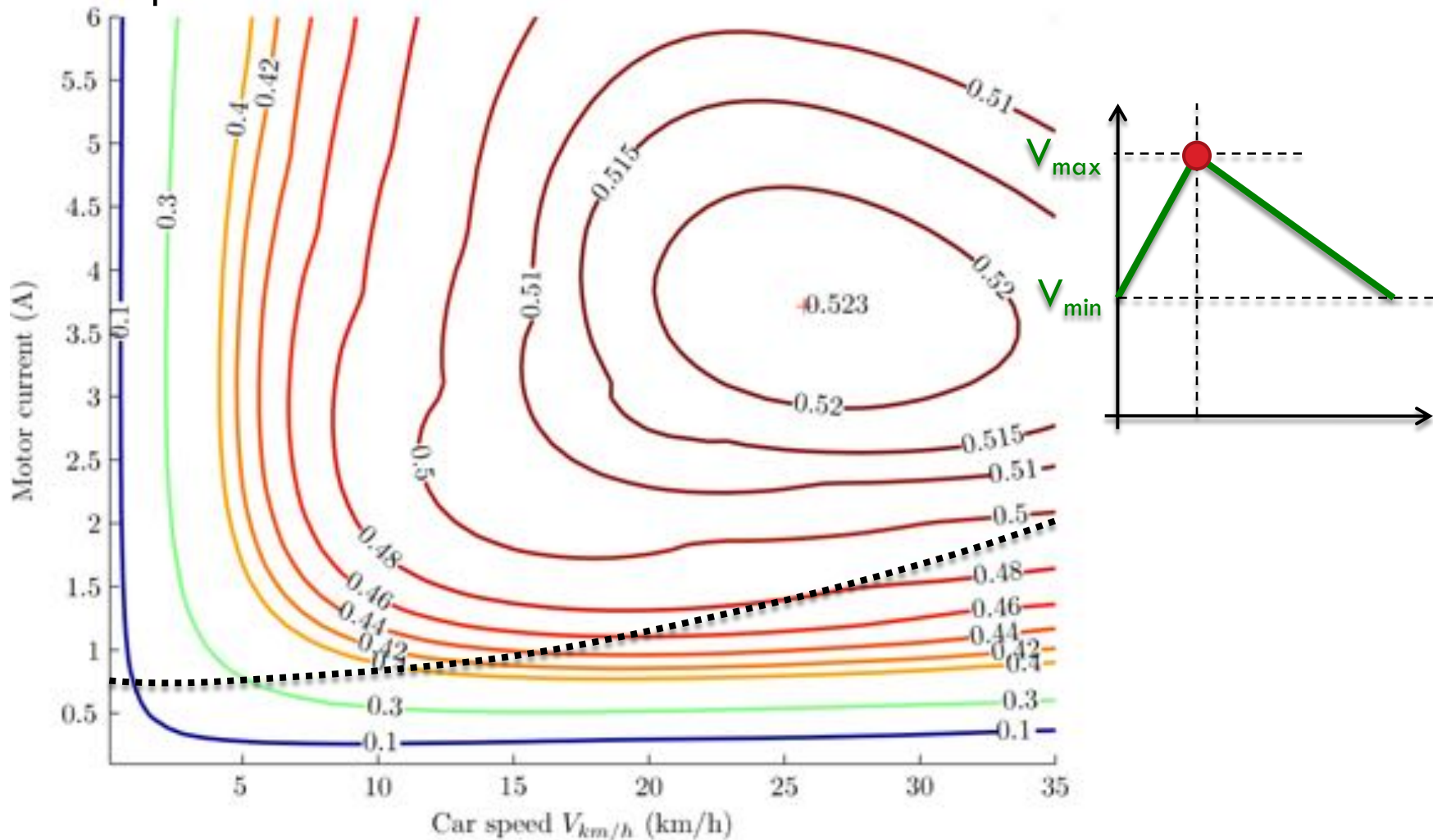
- Evolution of driving strategy to improve efficiency to 52.3%



Global energetic model

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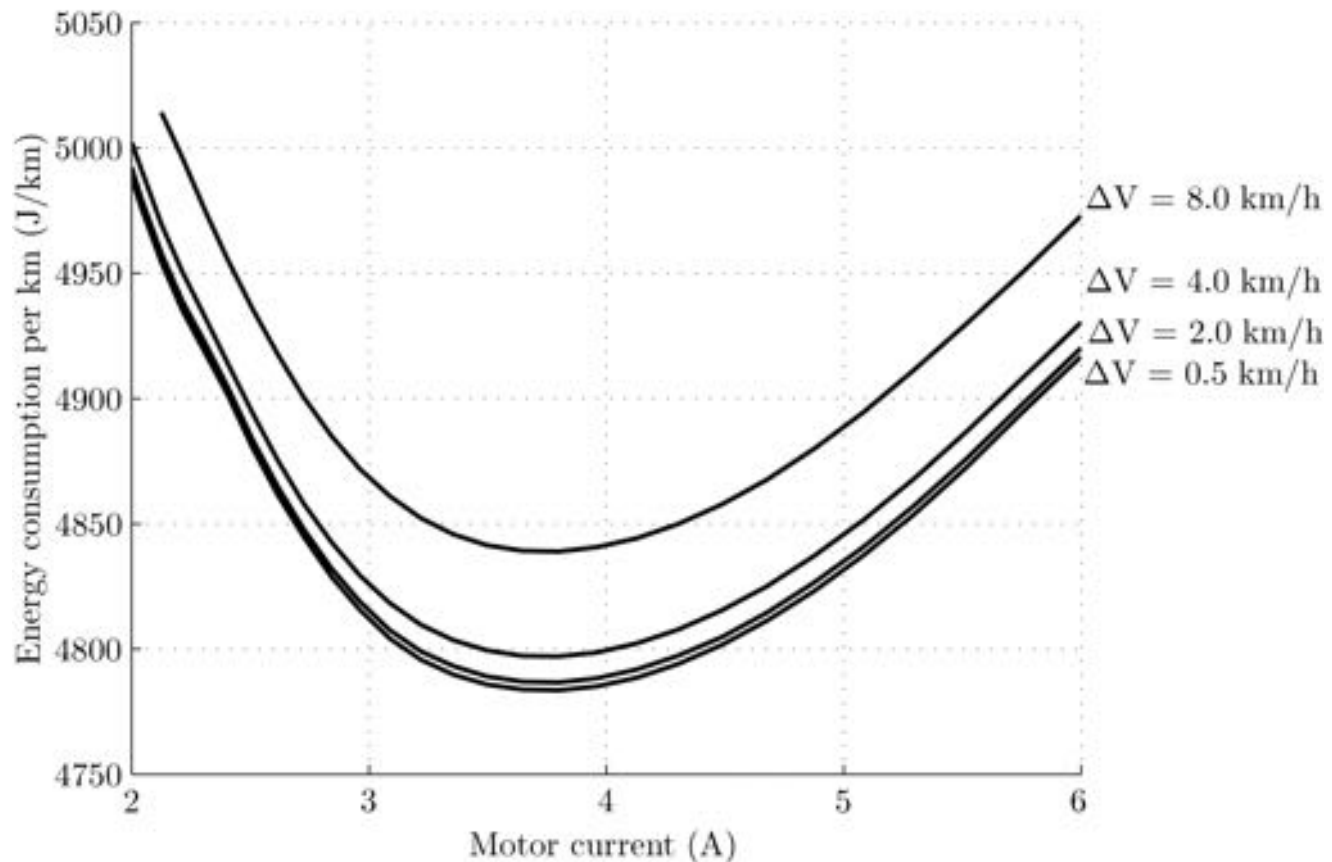
- Acceleration (52.3% efficiency), then deceleration with motor off (efficiency=0%) but consumption =0.8W



Results and exploitation

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- Using of multi-physics model to optimize $V_{\min}$, $V_{\max}$

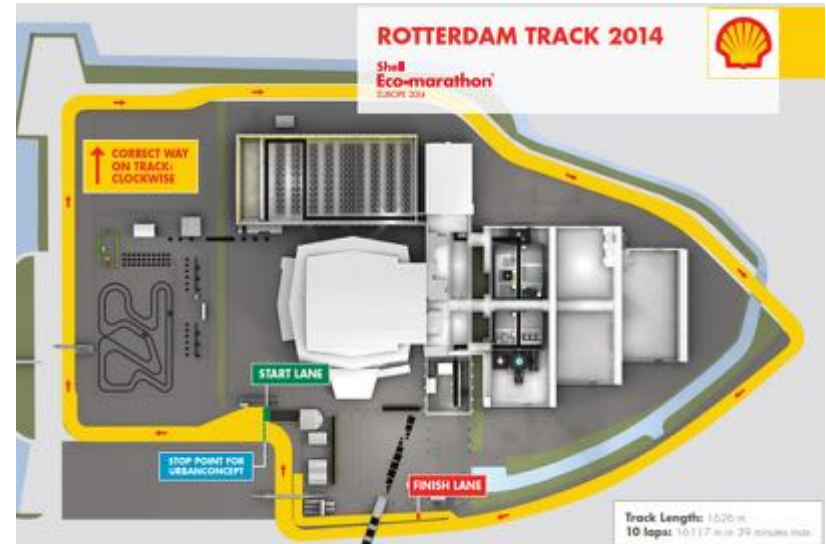
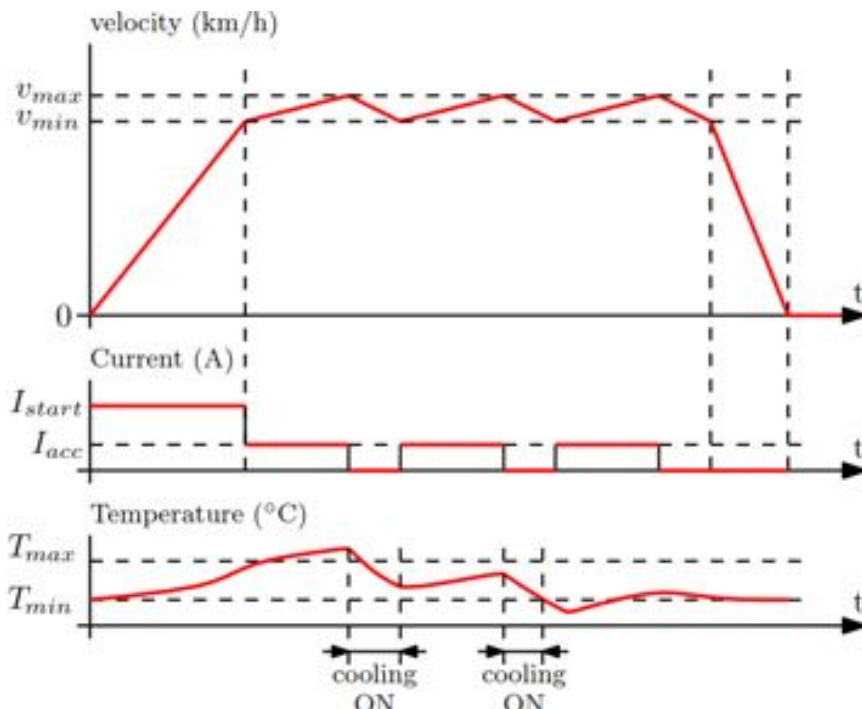


Efficiency is reduced for $\Delta V=2\text{km/h} \Rightarrow$ optimization required

Optimization

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- Driving strategy
 - ▣ 3 phases per lap :
 - ▣ Phase 1: Acceleration from 0 to V_{min}
 - ▣ Phase 2: “Constant” speed (series of acceleration and free wheel)
 - ▣ Phase 3: Braking (energy recovery in 2016)



- Control strategy
 - ▣ Torque/Current control with velocity thresholds
 - ▣ Hysteresis law for stack temperature regulation
 - ▣ Stack cooling during freewheel phases

Optimization

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□ Problem formulation

- ▣ Objective function: The minimization of the fuel consumption on a full race (10 laps), under constraint of a minimum average speed of 25 km/h
- ▣ Tank-to-Wheel 4th order Runge-Kutta ODE model implemented in Matlab:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(t, x), \quad x = [T_{st}(t), v(t), X(t)]^T$$

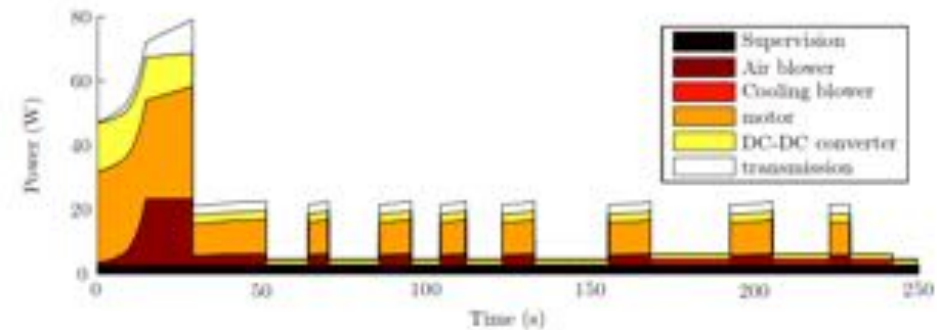
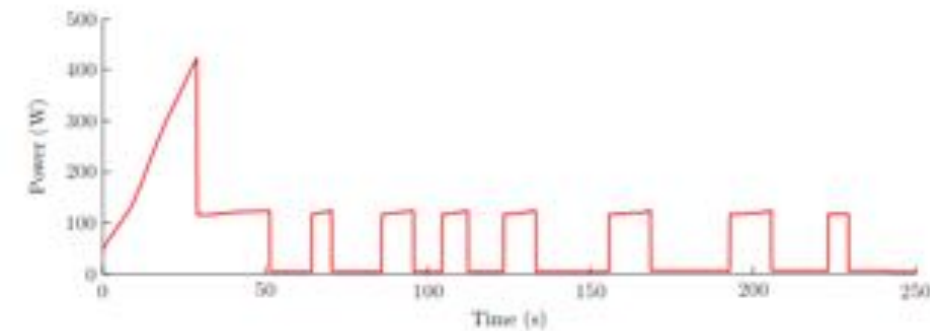
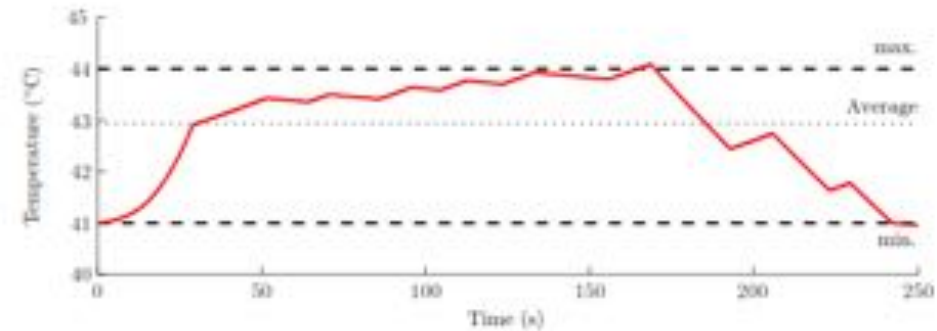
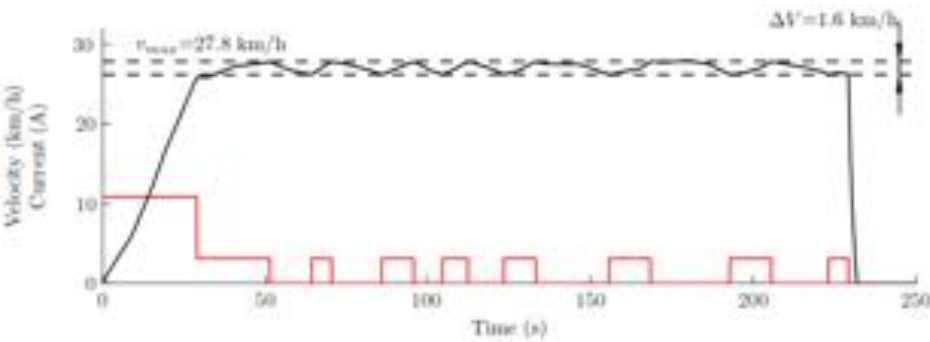
- ▣ Simulation over one lap, in steady state for the Temperature $T_{end}=T_0$
- ▣ Particle Swarm Optimization: 50 particles and 200 maximum iterations
- ▣ Input parameters: I_{start} , I_{acc} , V_{max} , V_{min} and gear ratio
- ▣ Constraints: Average speed $>25\text{km/h}$

Optimization

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□ Optimization result

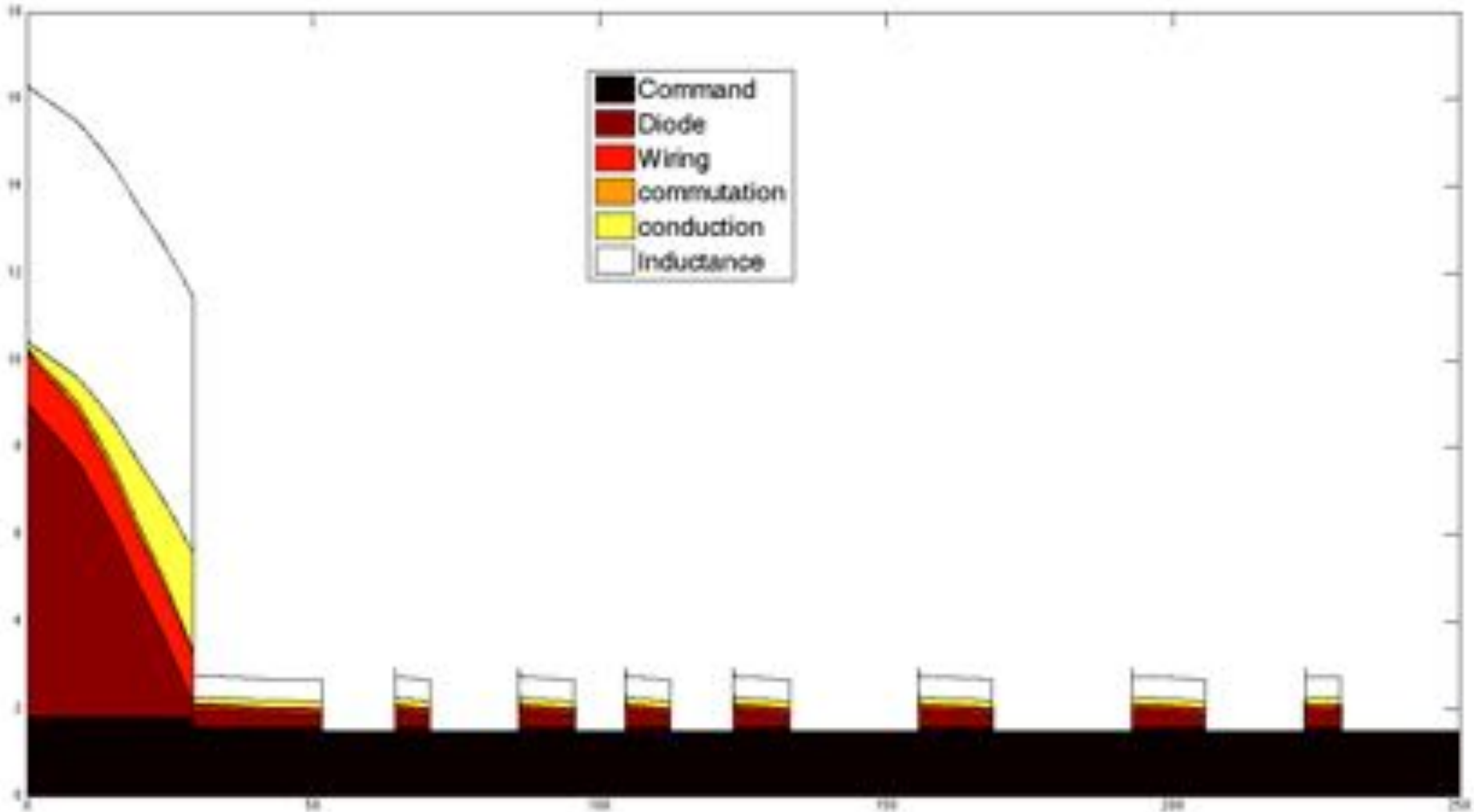
Istart	Iacc	Vmax	Vmin	Gear ratio	Avg speed
10.8A	3.1A	27.8km/h	26.2km/h	200/14	25.0km/h



Optimization

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- Optimization result for power converter



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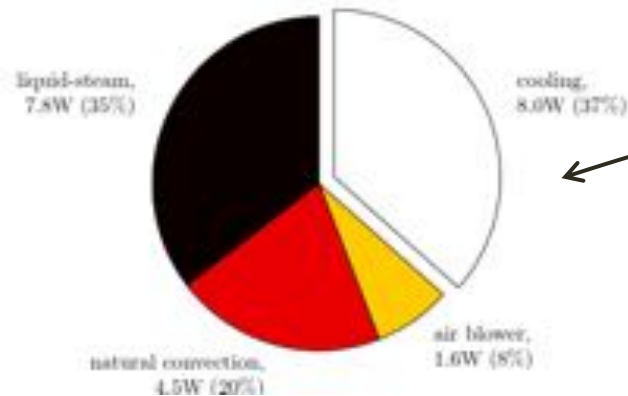
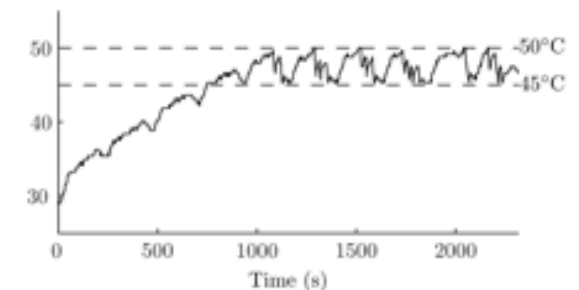
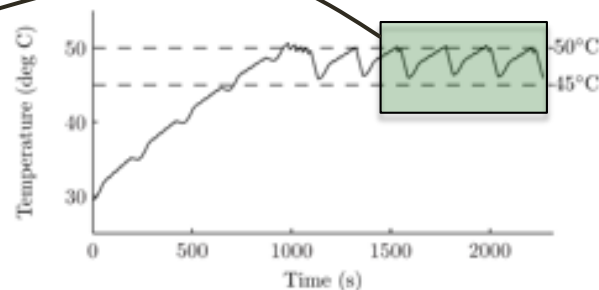
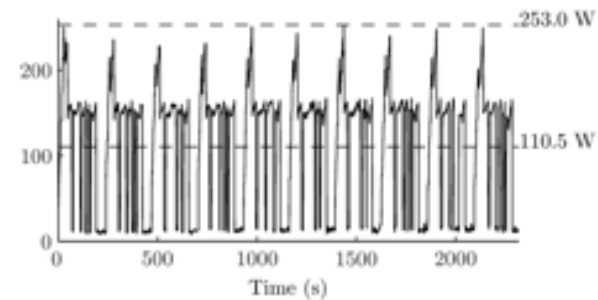
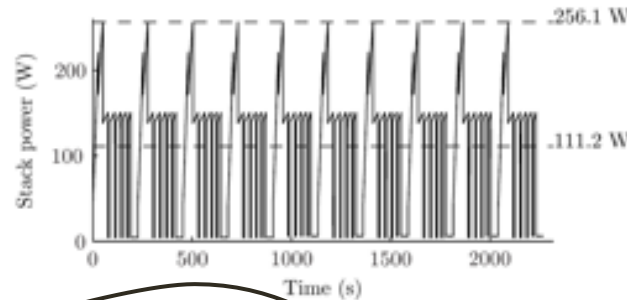
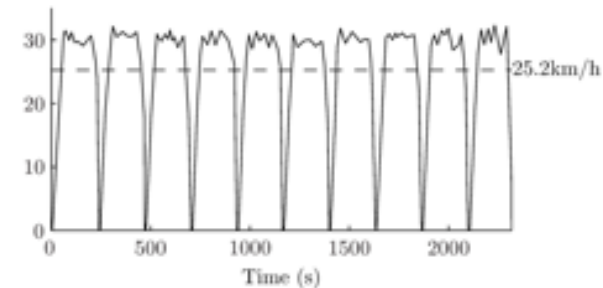
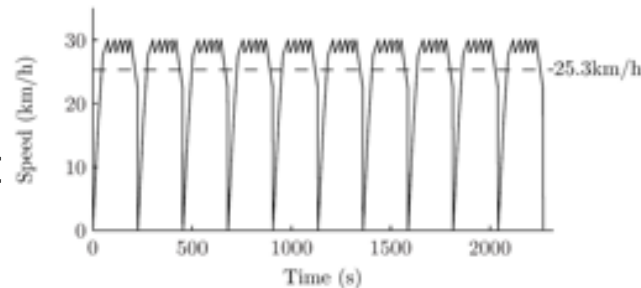
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Measures-Model for one race

- May 2015, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 10 laps
- Ambient temperature: 27°C
- Max. wind: 30km/h

Performance:

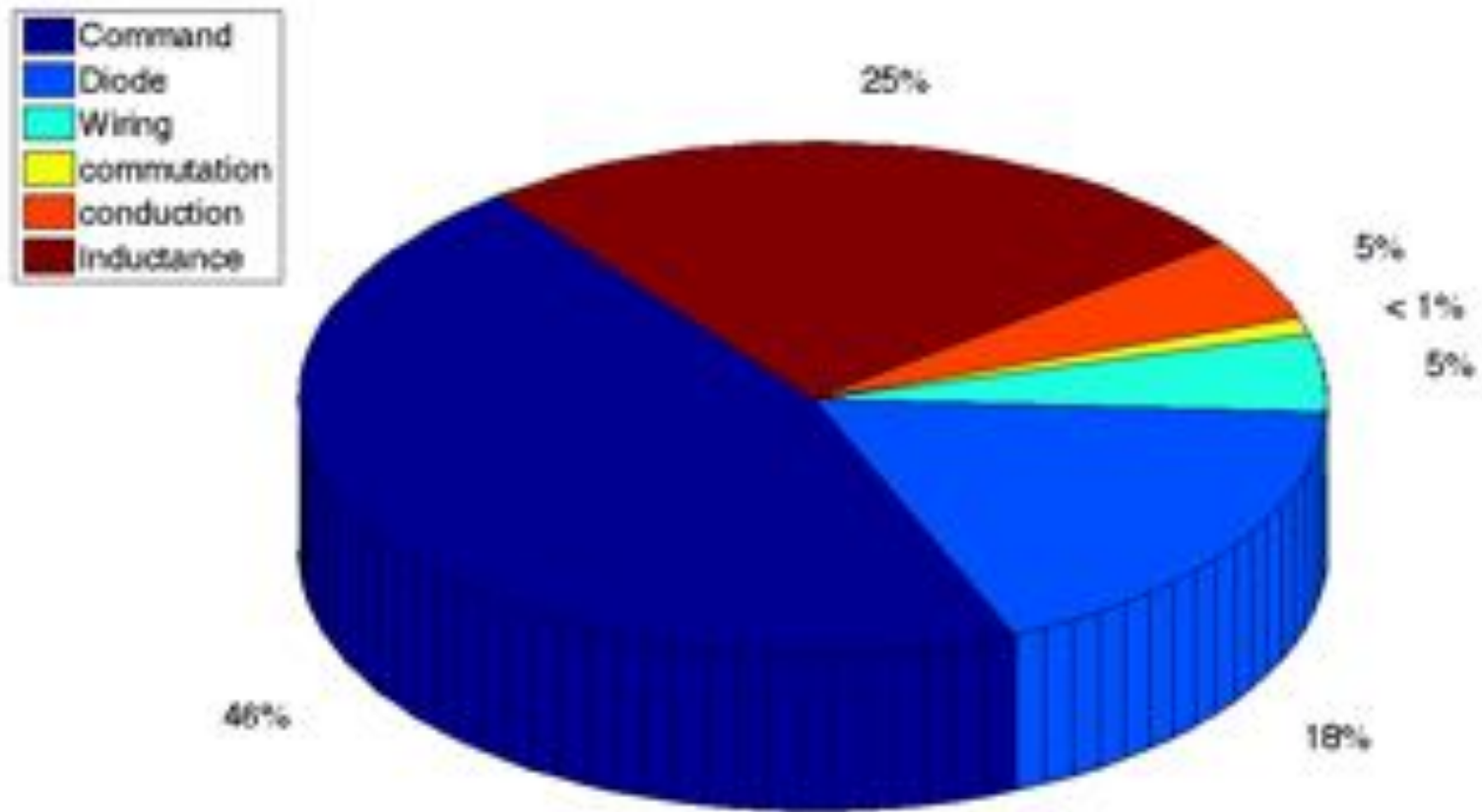
- 800Wh/100km
(1114km/LSP95)



Result and exploitation

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□ Optimization result

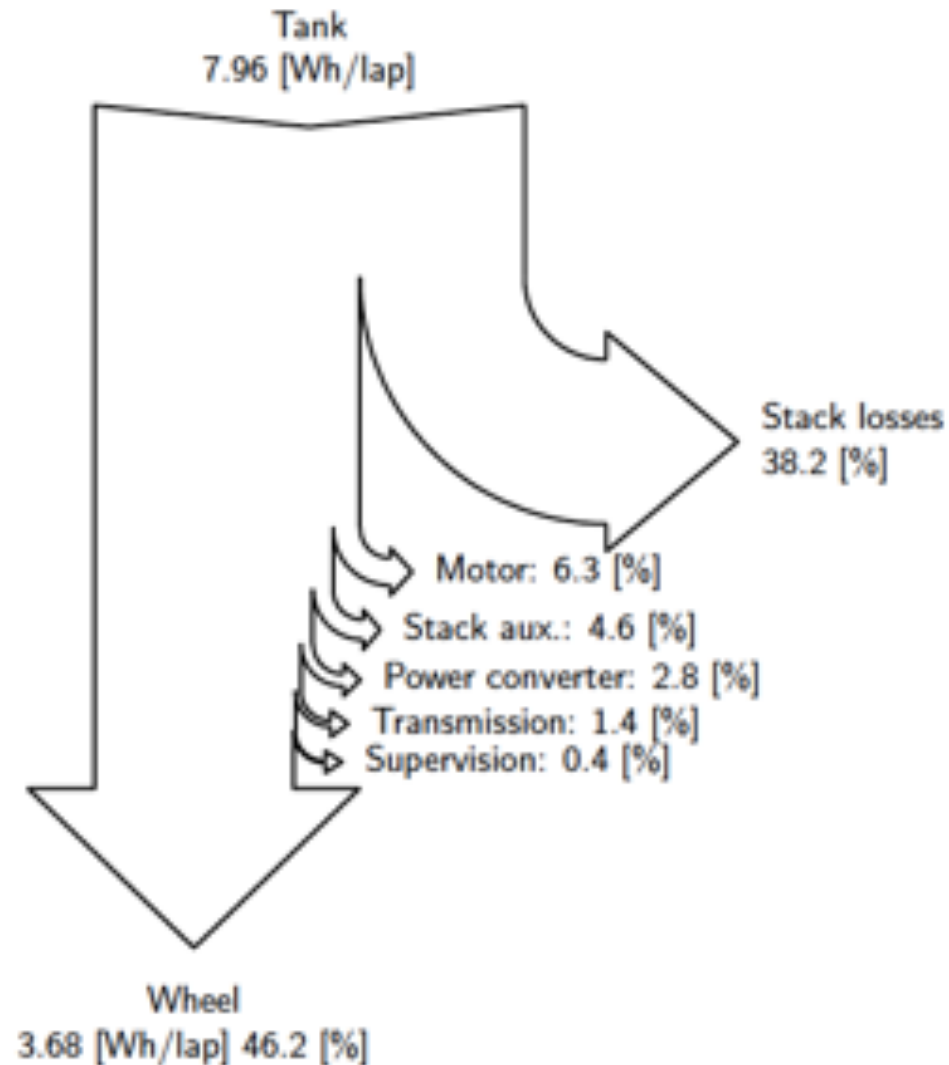


Result and exploitation

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□ Optimization result

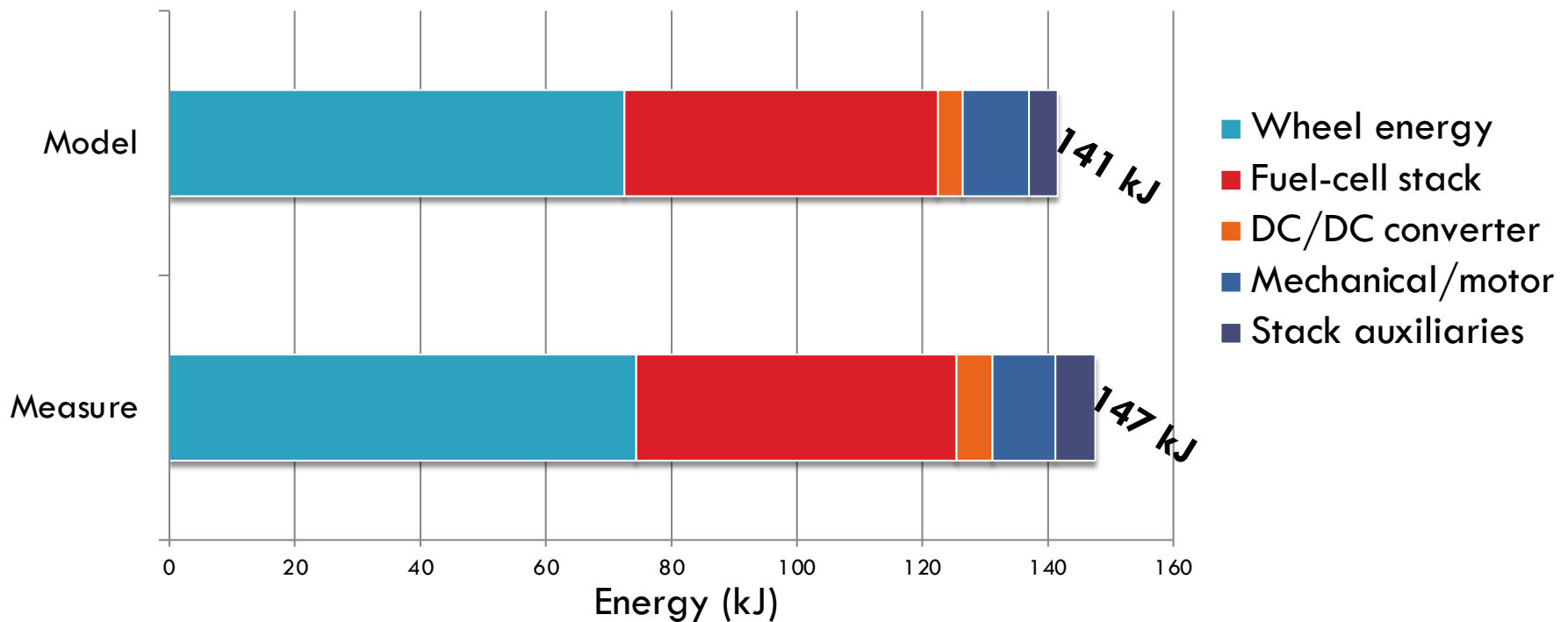
Parameter	Value
I_{start}	10.8 A
I_{acc}	3.1 A
v_{max}	27.8 km/h
v_{min}	26.2 km/h
r_{gear}	200/14
Average velocity	25.0 km/h
Fuel cell losses	3.04 Wh/lap
Motor losses	0.39 Wh/lap
DC-DC converter losses	0.23 Wh/lap
Mechanical transmission losses	0.11 Wh/lap
Supervision system consumption	0.37 Wh/lap
Mechanical energy	3.7 Wh/lap
Hydrogen consumption	7.96 Wh/lap
Tank-to-wheel efficiency	46.20 %
Performance	4.94 Wh/km 1855.75 km/L _{SP95}



Results and exploitation

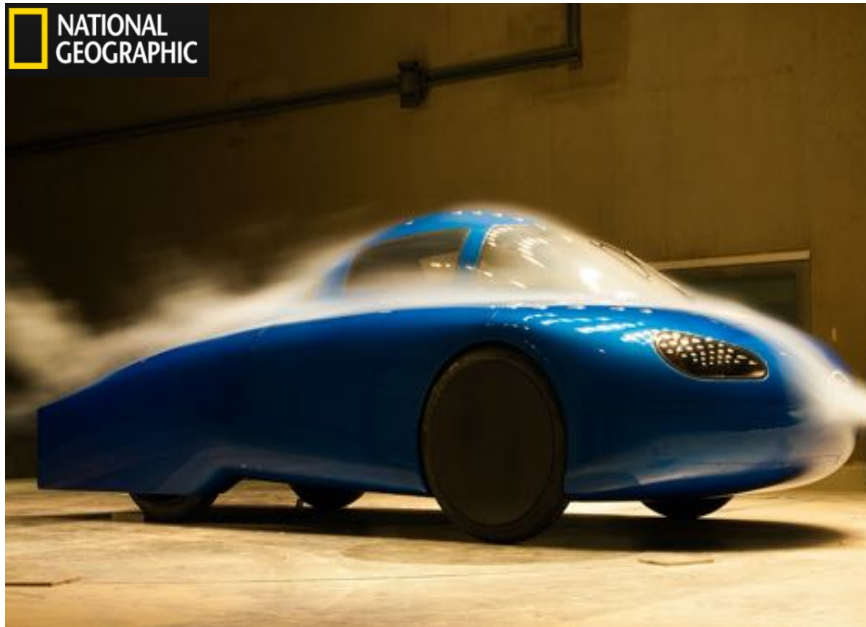
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Validation of the proposed approach



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Thank you for kind attention



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