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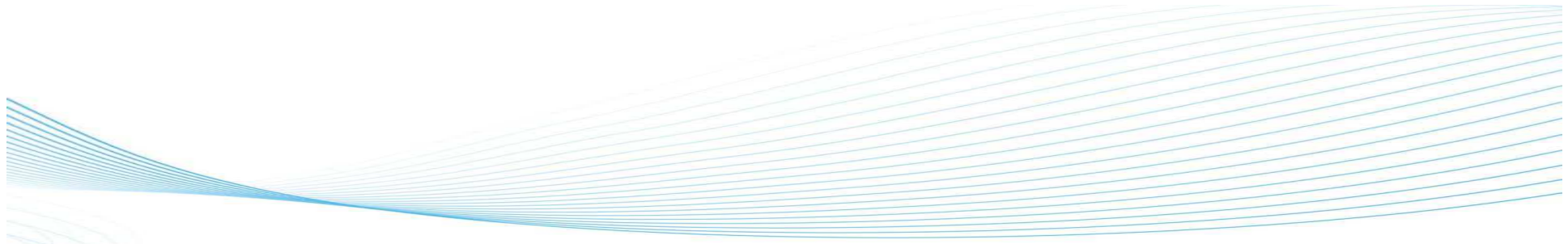


Optimal control of hybrid powertrain with the Pontryagin Minimum Principle

Part 2 – Real time control

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Summary

Part 2 : Real time control

I) Introduction

II) Regression based algorithms

III) ECMS Family

- Basic algorithm
- Predictive control scheme

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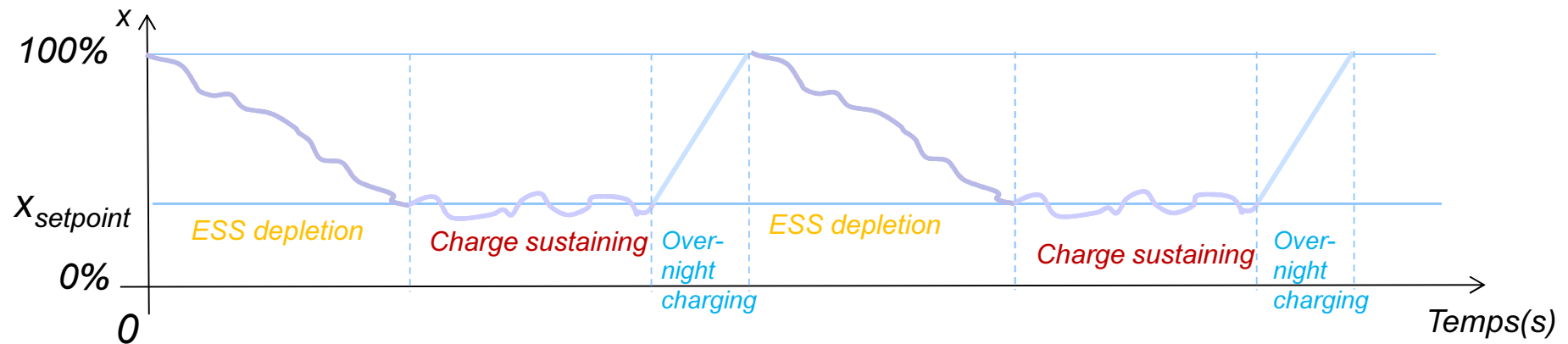


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Energy Storage System (ESS) state management:

- Real time: Charge depletion & sustaining approach (plug-in hybrids)

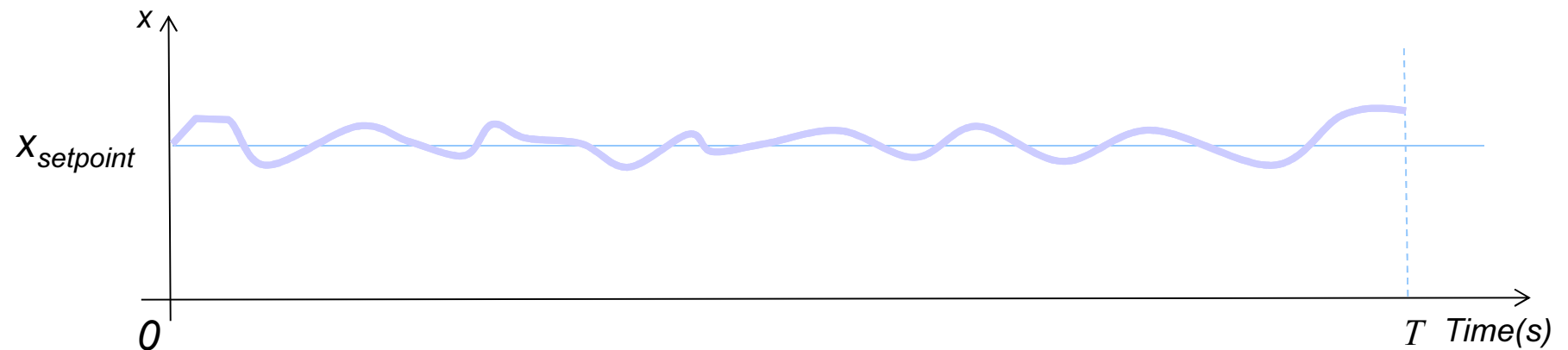


Objective: maximum benefits from a « huge » battery

- 1) ESS depletion (possibly pure electric mode):
 - No local emission
 - Take care of battery aging
- 2) Charge sustaining in hybrid mode:
 - Better efficiency than a conventional car
 - Vehicle range similar to conventional car
- 3) Over-night charging:
 - Low cost
 - Electric network usage

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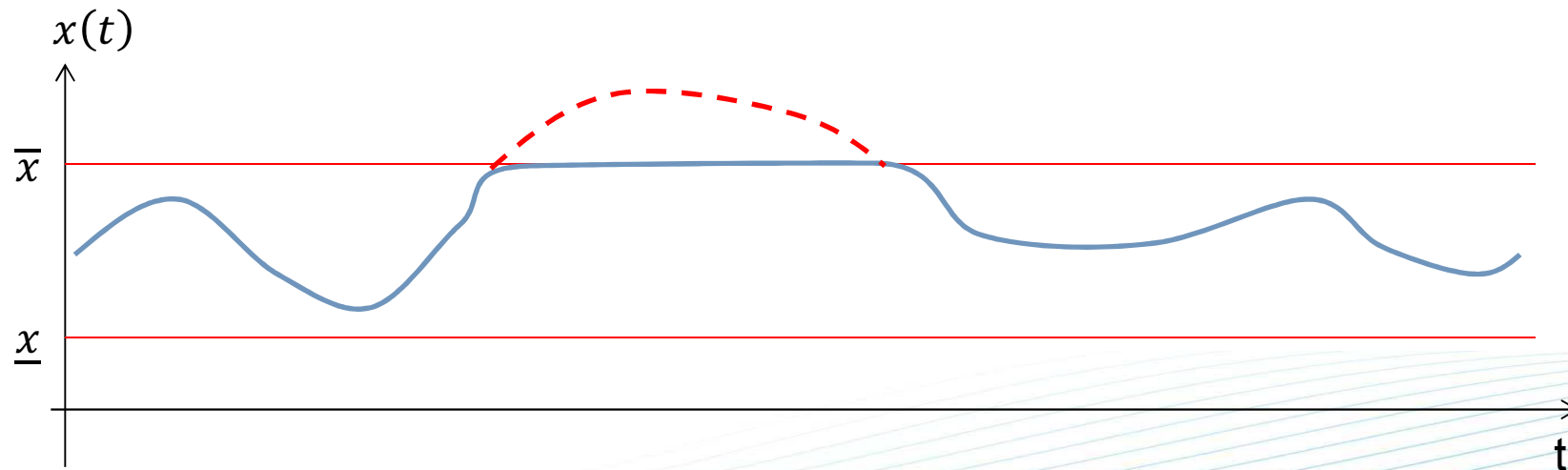
Perfect ESS state control \Rightarrow No battery current

No battery current \Rightarrow No electric machine usage \Rightarrow pure electric mode

Conclusion : Need a “good” compromise between ESS state regulation and fuel consumption optimization

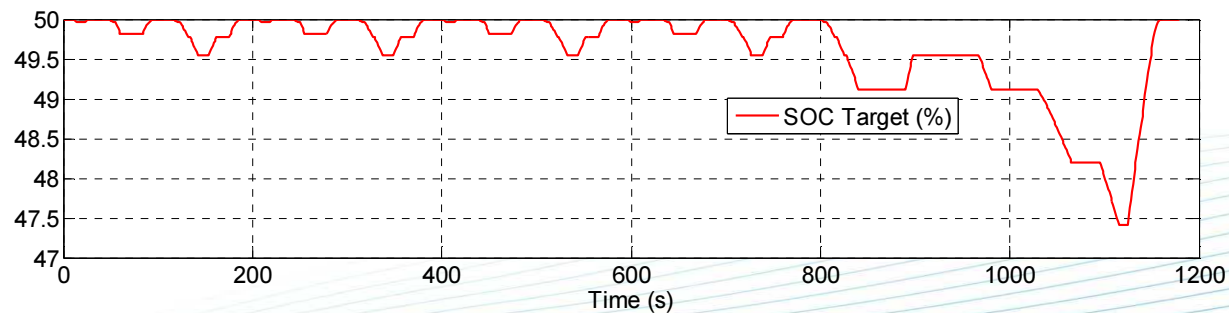
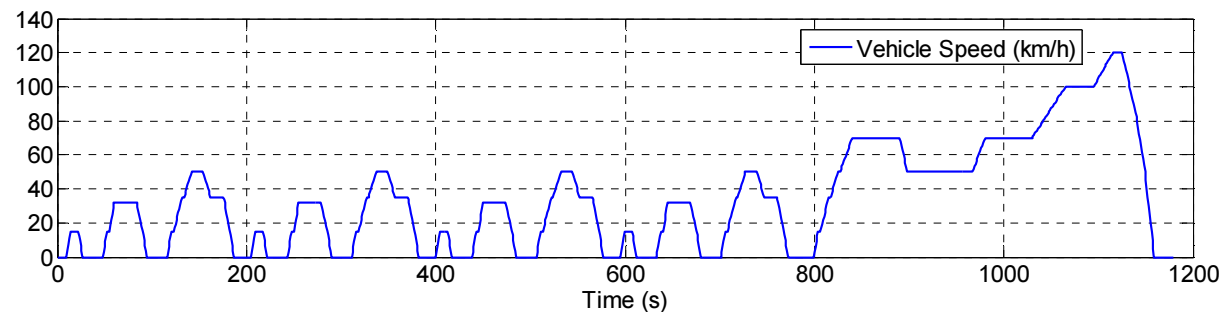
Generally speaking, one should define the desired real time behavior:

- Micro Hybrids
 - Small Energy Storage System capacity (e.g. supercapacitor)
 - => don't care about the value of the ESS state
 - The energy stored is insignificant with respect to the ICE energy
 - => BUT ensure that it does not reach the limits



Generally speaking, one should define the desired real time behavior:

- Full & Mild Hybrid & (Plug-in in charge sustaining)
 - ⇒ SOC regulation
 - ⇒ Careful choice of the SOC target, adapt according to speed



Introduction

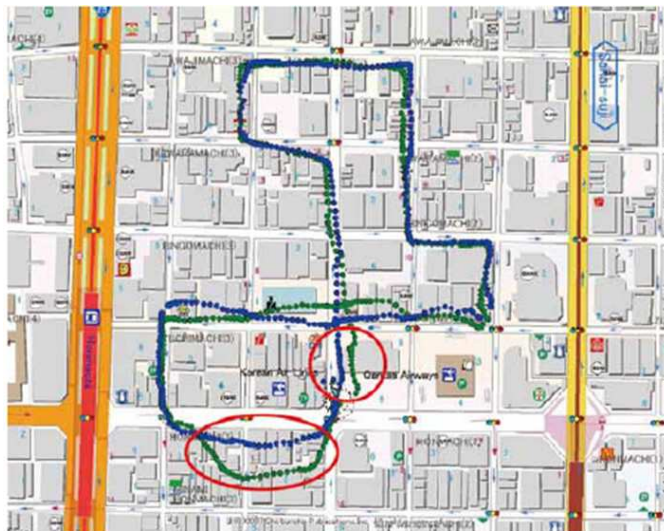
GPS & digital maps

May sounds a good idea, but:

- GPS signal are not really accurate in towns (urban canyon, multi-path)
- Maps helps but may becomes outdated
- The driver should not have to enter his trip before using the car

⇒ The control strategy be able work without GPS

⇒ Nevertheless, even if implementation is difficult, some nice information can be derived



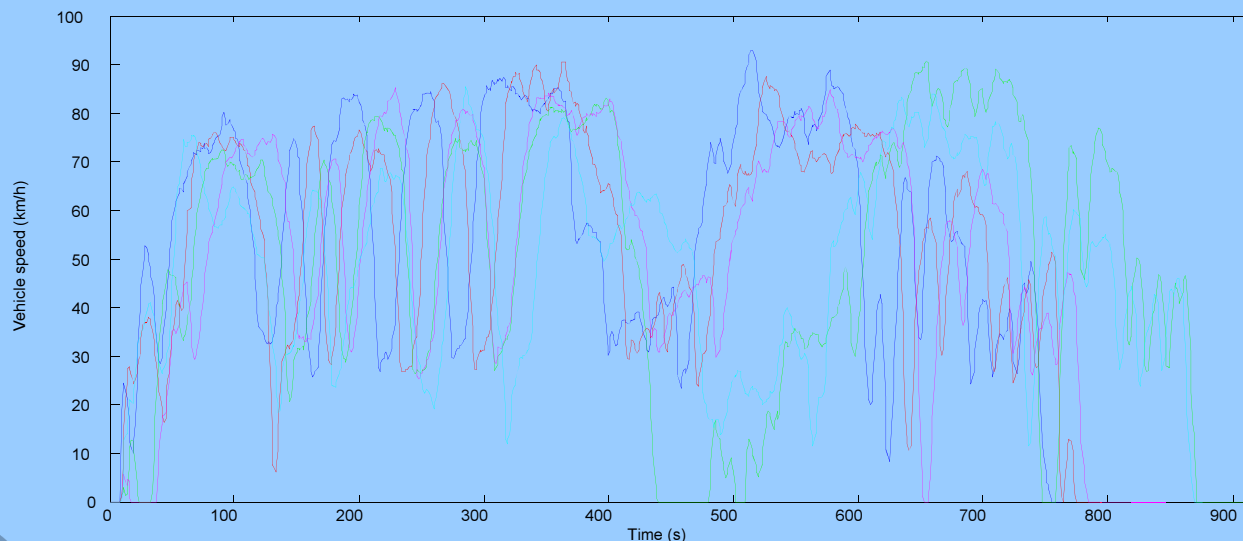
● Advanced Multipath Mitigation ON
● Advanced Multipath Mitigation OFF



Vehicle Speed Prediction

- It's difficult to make prediction, especially about the future
 - Depends on driver mood, traffic, etc.
 - Not only the speed has to be predicted but also the torque
- ⇒ The acceleration has also to be accurate

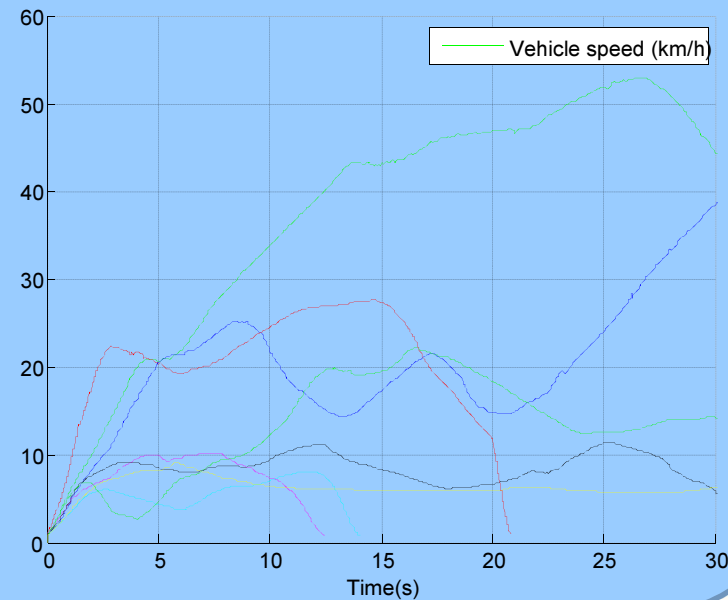
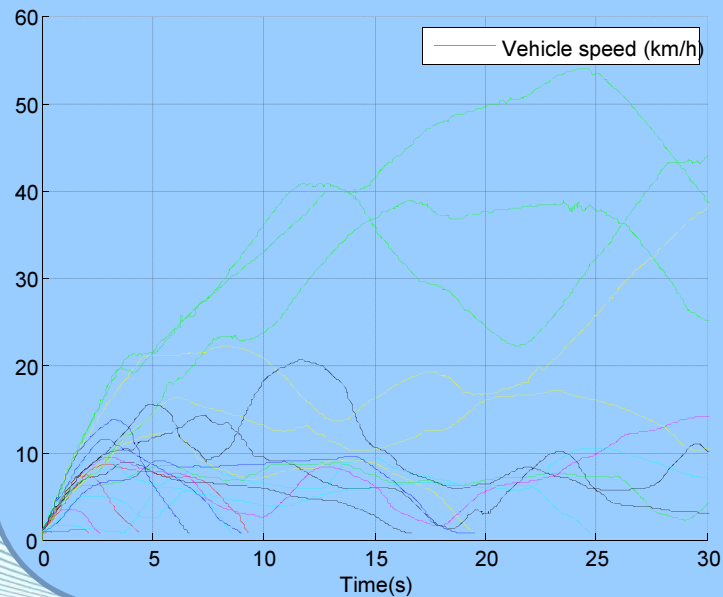
Recorded speed, starting from the same position (need GPS)



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Question :

Is it possible to use it, somehow, to derive (possibly efficient) suboptimal real time controls ?

2 main approaches:

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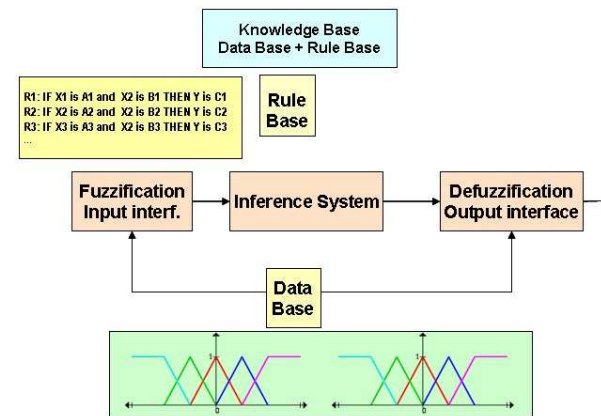
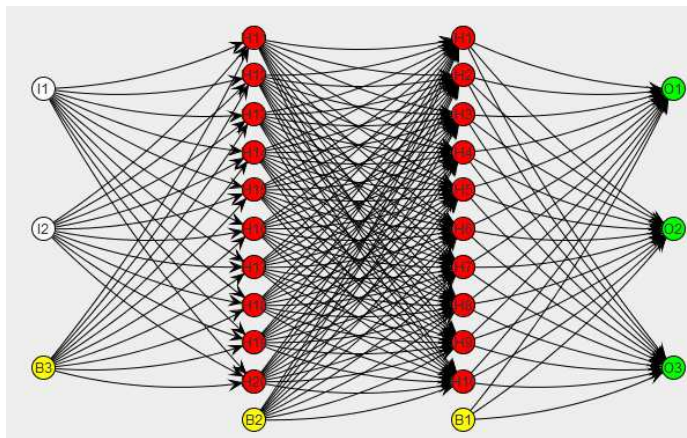
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1st approach : Regression over optimal data set

Idea: The optimal control results explain how the real time controller should react to some driving conditions.

If optimal results are generated for *all possible* driving conditions, then these results contains the whole knowledge about the HEV optimal control.

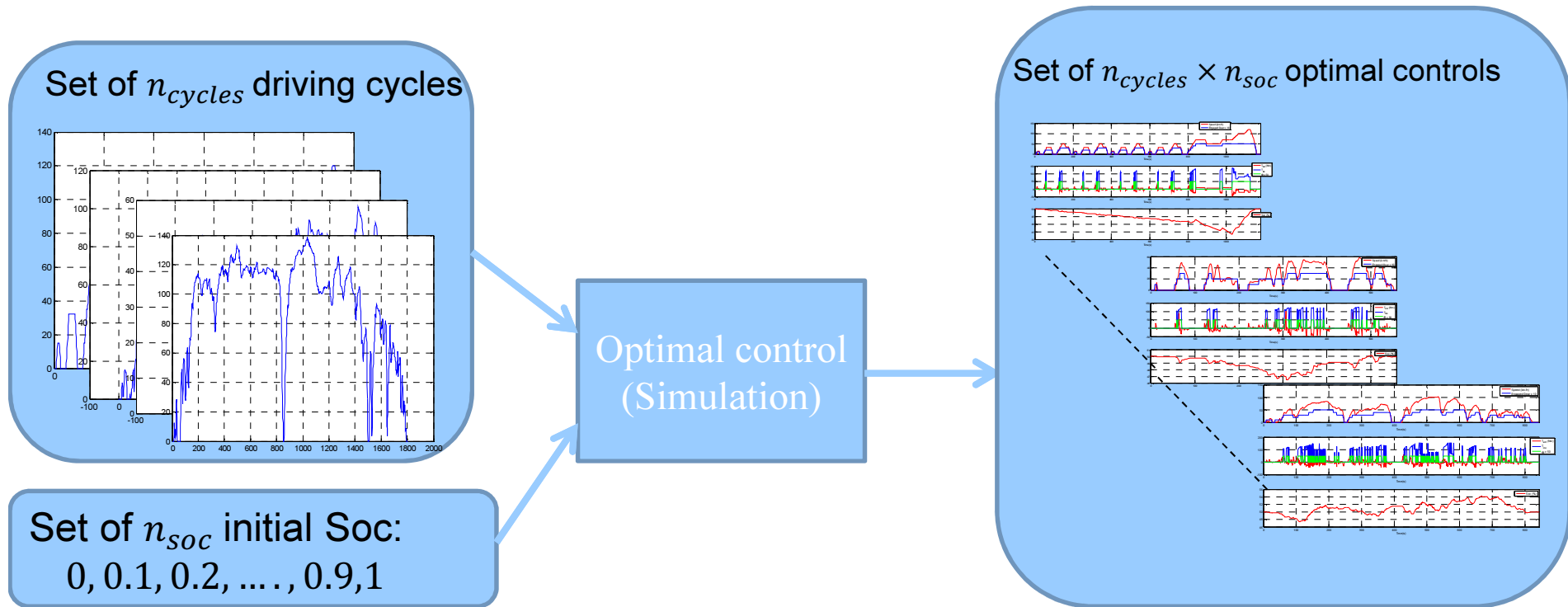
How to capture this “knowledge”: Neural Network, Fuzzy systems



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Step 1 : generate optimal control for a wide range of driving cycle & Initial Soc

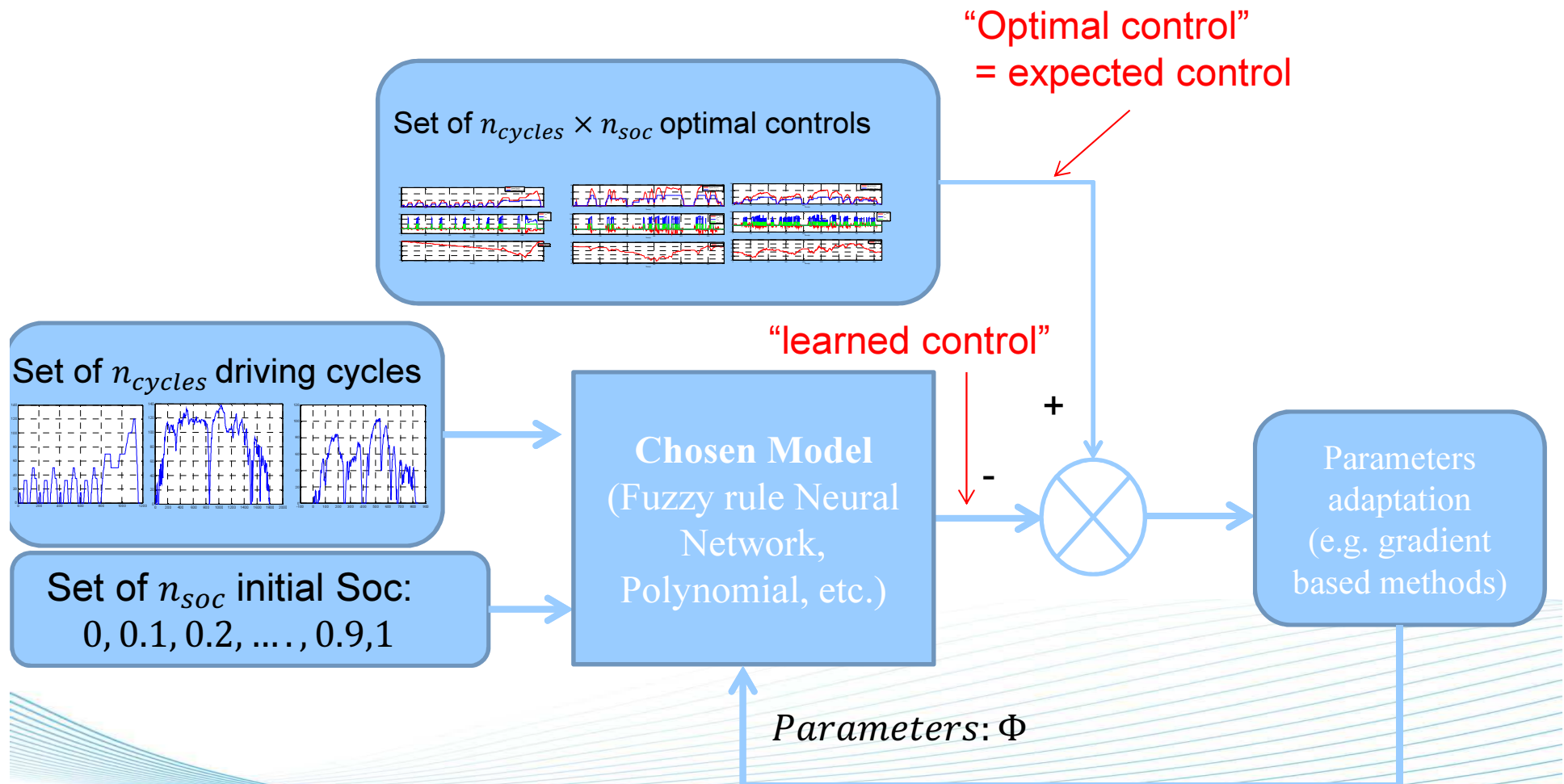
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Regression based algorithms

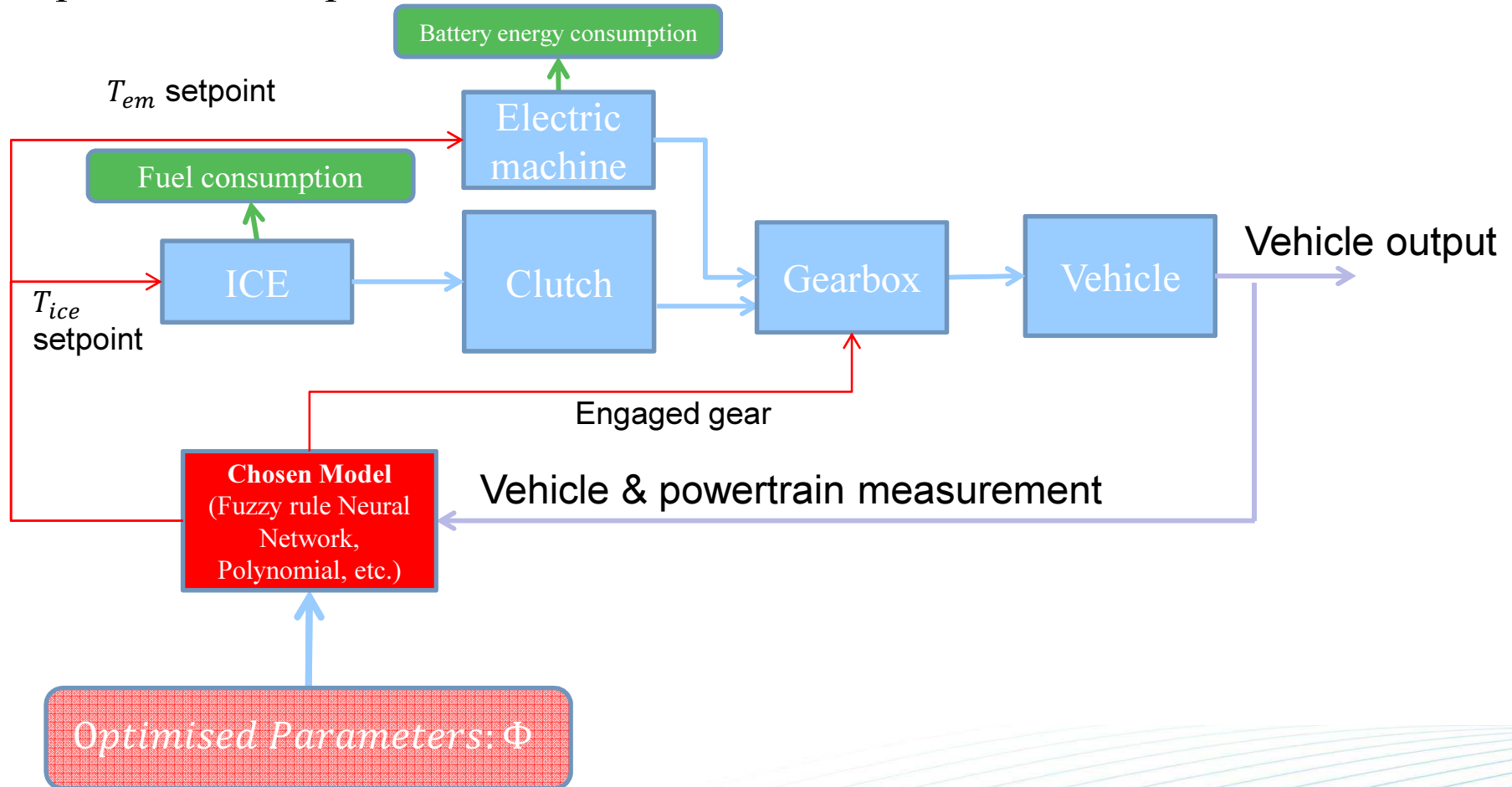
Step 2 : Chose an arbitrary control structure and perform off-line regression

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Step 3 : Online implementation



Regression based controls:

- Systematic approach
- Can work with many arrangements provided an optimal control algorithm is available

BUT

- No guaranty on the real time performance
- The optimal data set may not fulfill some theoretical requirements
=> Boolean variable switches captured with a polynomial
- Need to consider many driving situations to cover all the possible driving situations

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- Let us recall: $u^*(t) = \arg \min_{v \in \Phi(W(t))} H(t, v, x^*(t), W(t), \lambda^*(t))$

$$H(t, u, x, W, \lambda) = \underbrace{Q(t, u, W, x_0)}_{\text{Fuel consumption}} + \overbrace{\lambda^T}^{\text{Co-state}} \cdot \underbrace{f(t, u, W, x)}_{\text{Electrical consumption}}$$

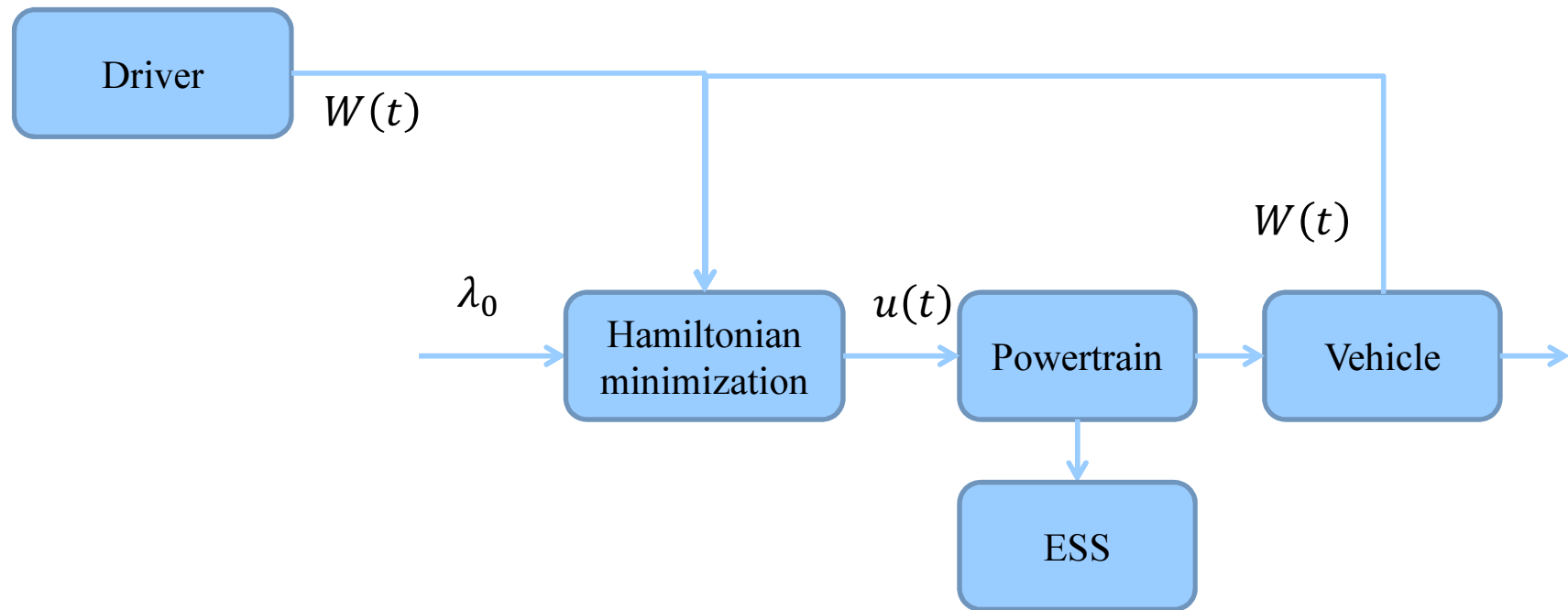
Minimizing the Hamiltonian is simple and can be done online:

=> instantaneous optimization of the electrical & fuel consumption

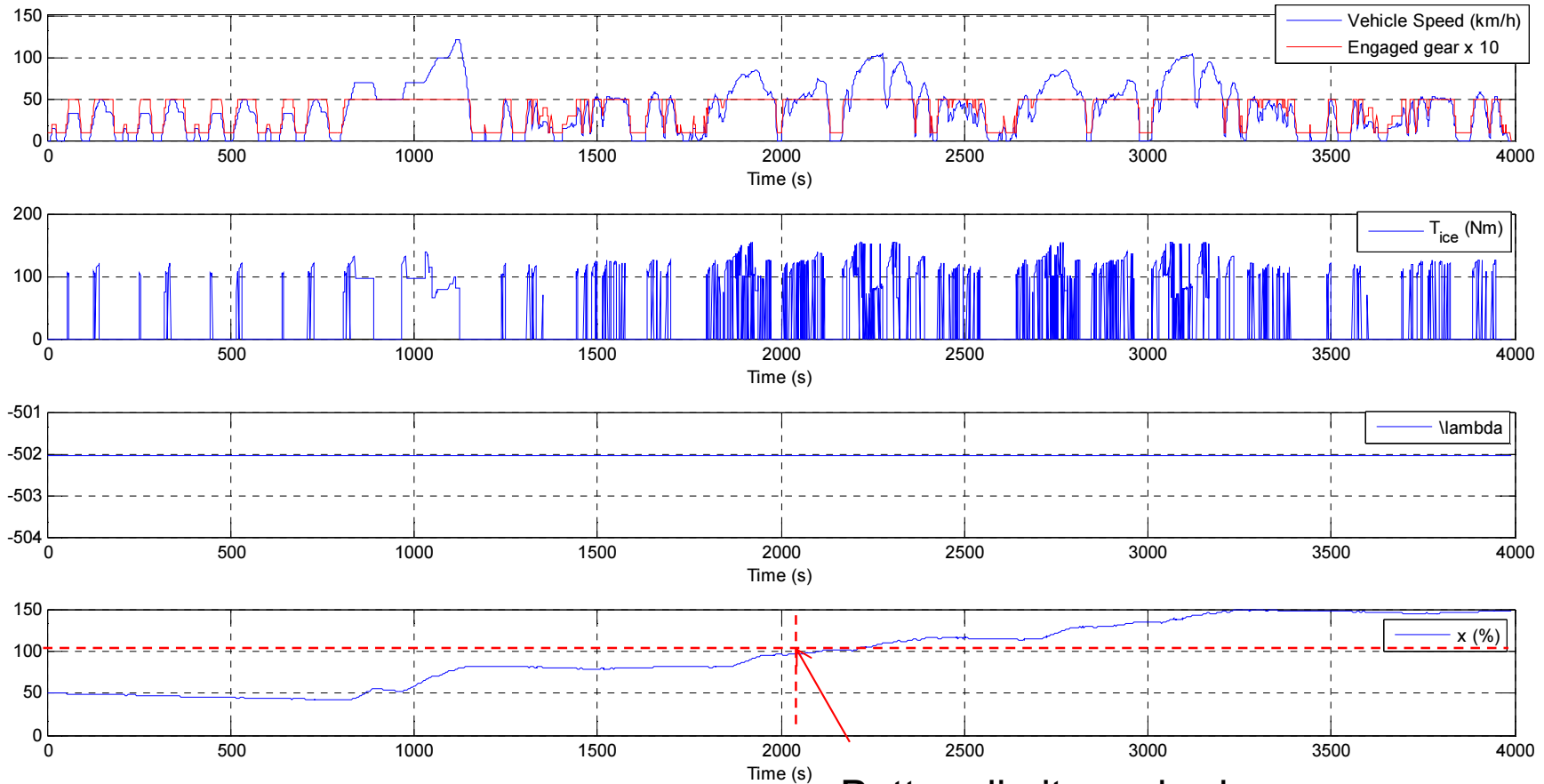
So what's the problem ???

- Initial co-state value is unknown
- Future driving conditions are unknown => co-state cannot be computed
- State trajectory will diverge and reach the physical and/or safety limits
- The co-state need to be controlled**

- Basic control scheme



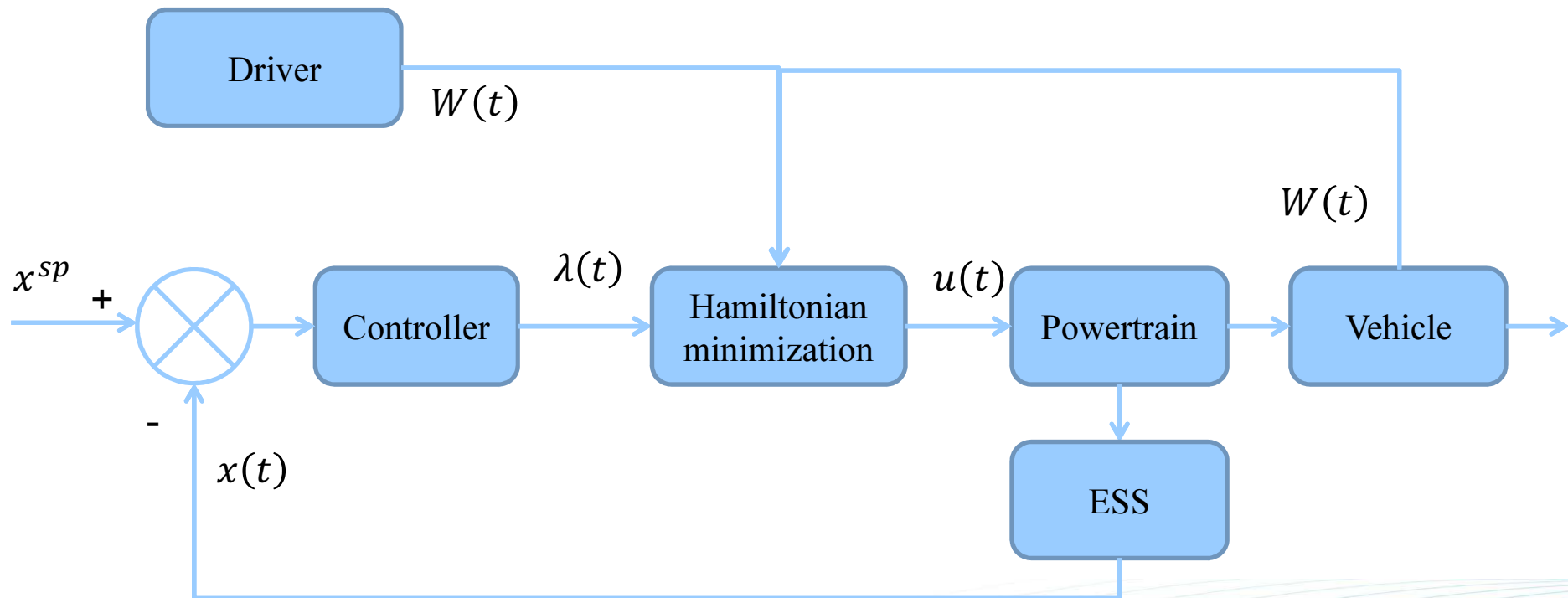
ECMS family



Battery limit reached

Obviously keeping the co-state constant is quite dangerous.
Simplest solution : ESS state control

- Basic control scheme : ESS state control



Real time control

Arbitrary initial value : $\lambda(0) = -500$

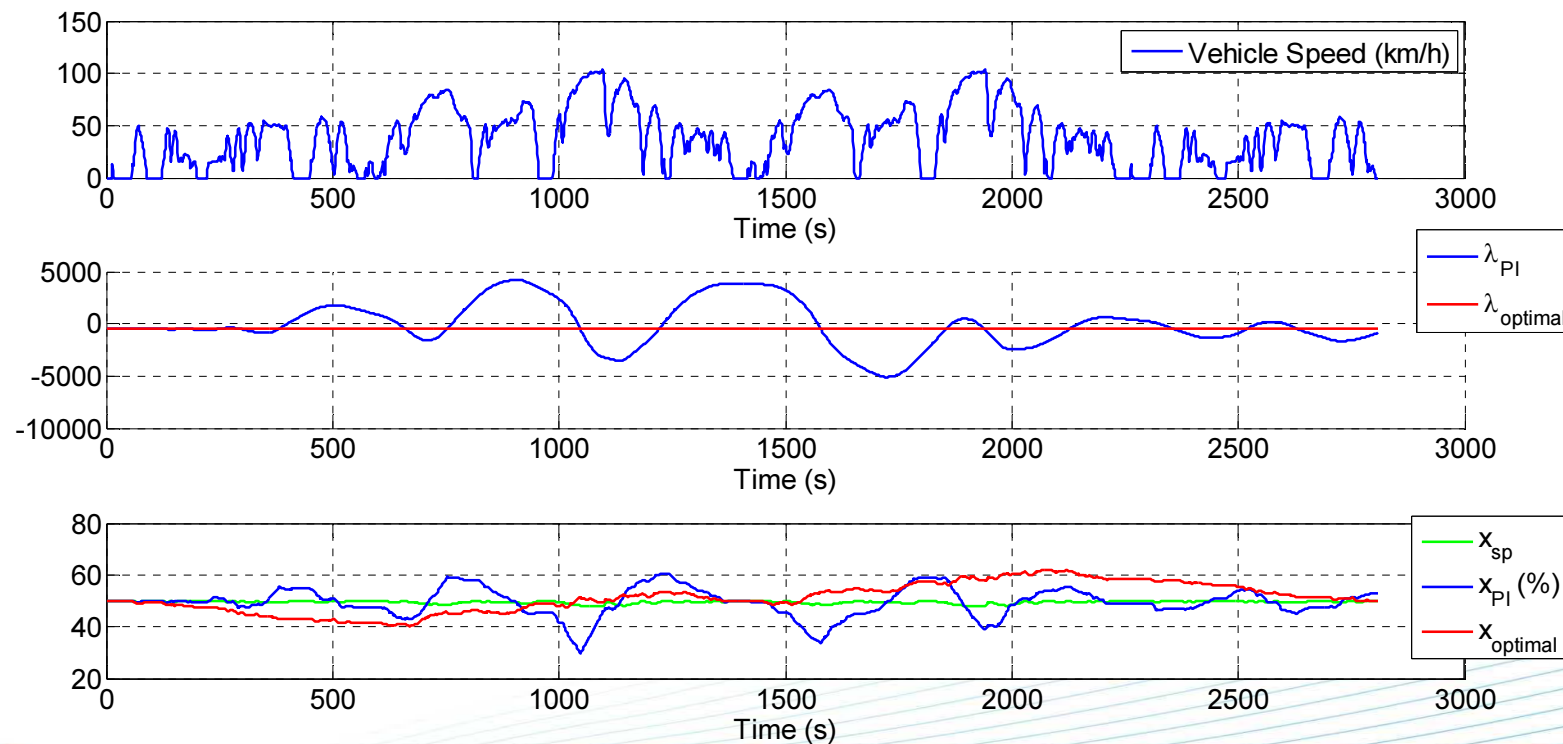
Tuning : slow dynamics

PI :

Optimal: $\lambda_0 = -478$

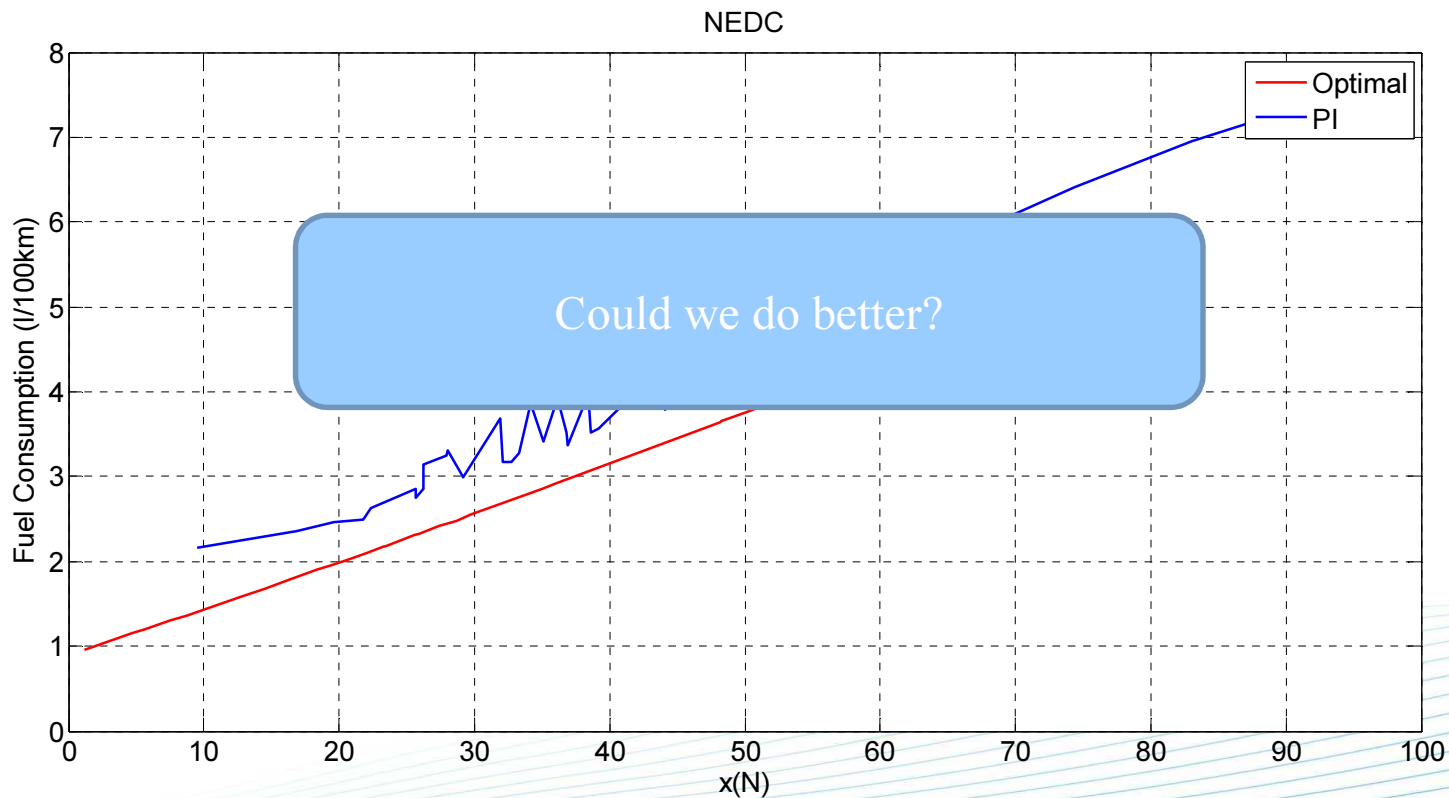
Fuel consumption : 5,04 l/100 km $x(N) - x(0) = 3,2\%$

Fuel consumption : 4,49 l/100 km $x(N) - x(0) = 0,12\%$



Control strategy performances analysis:

- Need to account for both energy sources : $\text{conso} = f(\text{soc})$
- Mean distance between both curves (24%)



Discrete time implementation:

- Sampled data (piecewise constant)
- Fixed step Euler solver

Continuous time

- System Dynamics :

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t, u(t), W(t))$$

- Co-state dynamics:

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(t, u(t), W(t), \lambda(t))$$

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = 0$$

- Hamiltonian minimization:

$$u^*(t) = \arg \min_{v \in \Phi(W(t))} H(t, v, x(t), W(t), \lambda(t))$$

Euler



Discrete time

- System Dynamics :

$$x(i+1) = x(i) + f(i \cdot s, u(i), W(i))$$

- Co-state dynamics:

$$\lambda(i+1) = \lambda(i) - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x}(t, u(i), W(i), \lambda(i)) \cdot s$$

$$\lambda(i+1) = \lambda(i) = \lambda_0$$

- Hamiltonian minimization:

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State trajectory:

- System Dynamics :

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^T f(t, \Pi(W(t), \lambda(t)), W(t), x(t)) \cdot dt$$

$$x(i) = x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{i-1} f(t, \Pi(W(i), \lambda(i)), W(i), x(i)) \cdot s$$

=> So everything is more or less the same as for the continuous case

Let us recall:

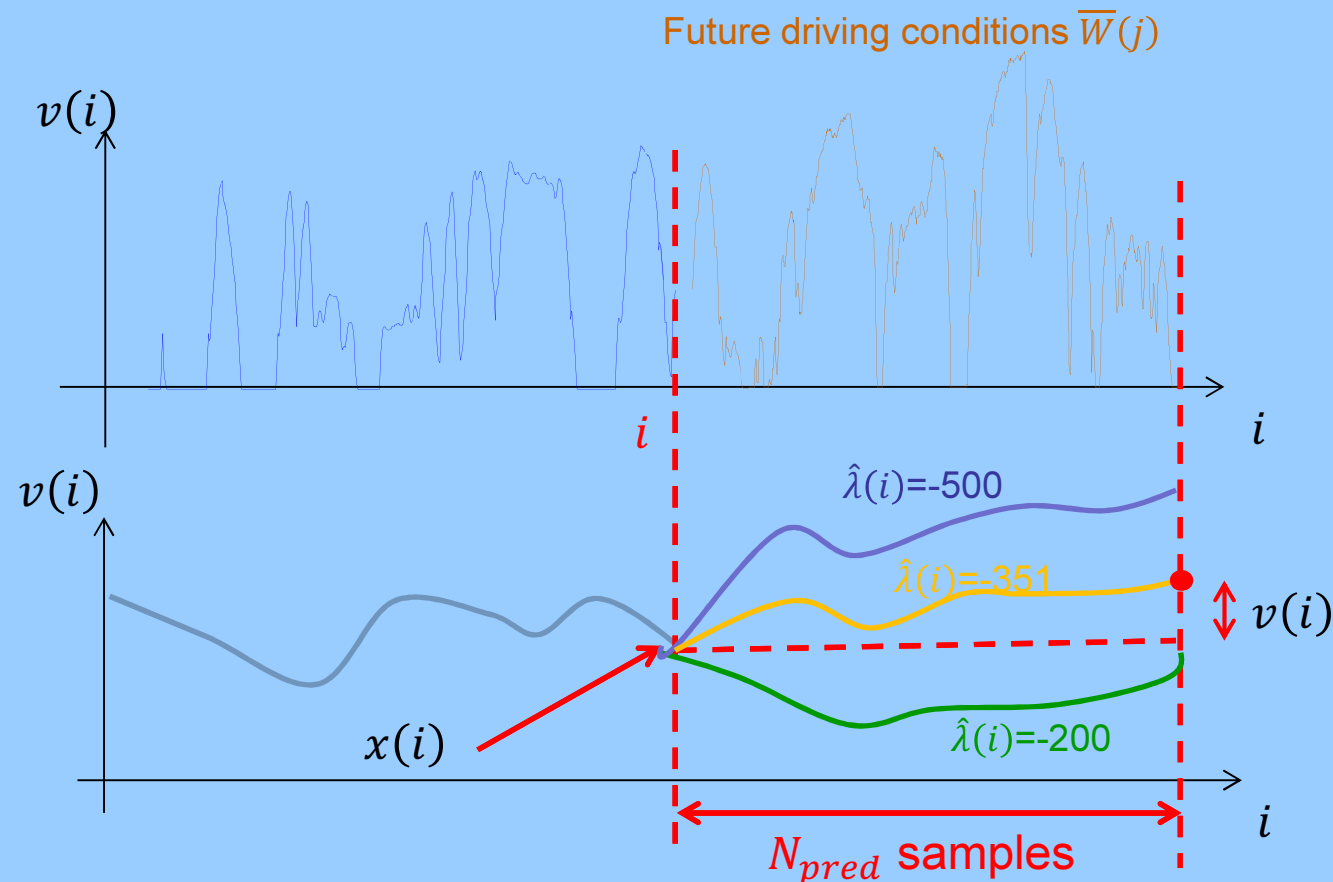
- If the future driving are known, then the co-state can be computed,
- then we could have an optimal real time algorithm



Predictive control

Embed the optimization algorithm within a predictive framework:

- Future values are denoted with a bar
- Initial state value at the beginning of the horizon : $x(i)$ (known value)
- Fix an arbitrary expected final state value: $\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + v(i)$



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At every sampling time i

Horizon : $J = [i, i + N_{pred}]$

System : $\bar{x}(j+1) = \bar{x}(j) + f\left(t, \Pi\left(W(j), \hat{\lambda}(i)\right), \bar{W}(j)\right) \cdot s$

Criterion : $J = \min \sum_{j \in J} Q\left(\bar{u}(j), \bar{W}(j)\right) s$

Constraints : $\bar{u}(j) \in \mathcal{U}\left(\bar{W}(j)\right)$

$$\bar{x}(i) = x(i)$$

$$\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + v(i) \leftarrow$$

Desired SOC increase
at sample time i

Let $\hat{\lambda}(i)$ be the (initial) co-state solution to the i^{th} optimization problem

At each sampling time, the control is only a function of:

- The co-state
- The exogenous variables :

$$u(j) = \Pi(\bar{W}(i), \hat{\lambda}(i)) \quad j \in J = [i, i + N_{pred}]$$

According to the systems dynamics, the corresponding SOC variation is :

$$M(W, \lambda) = f(t, \Pi(W, \lambda), W)$$

Over the optimisation Horizon $J = [i, i + N_{pred}]$, the state of charge depends only on $\hat{\lambda}(i)$ and $\bar{W}(j)$:

$$\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + \sum_{j \in J} M(\hat{\lambda}(i), \bar{W}(j)) \cdot s$$

Finally, if the future driving conditions are known, the problem can be solved

$$g(\hat{\lambda}(i)) = \sum_{j \in J} M(\hat{\lambda}(i), \bar{W}(j)) \cdot s$$

$$\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + v(i) \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{g(\hat{\lambda}(i))}_{\text{Shooting algorithm}} = v(i)$$

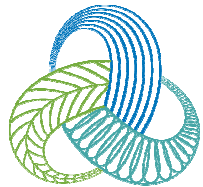
Shooting algorithm

How to deal with prediction :

- Implement complex prediction scheme
=> accuracy ok only during 20 seconds /Musardo & al. 2005/
- Use some information about planned journey
- Predict something “easier” to predict

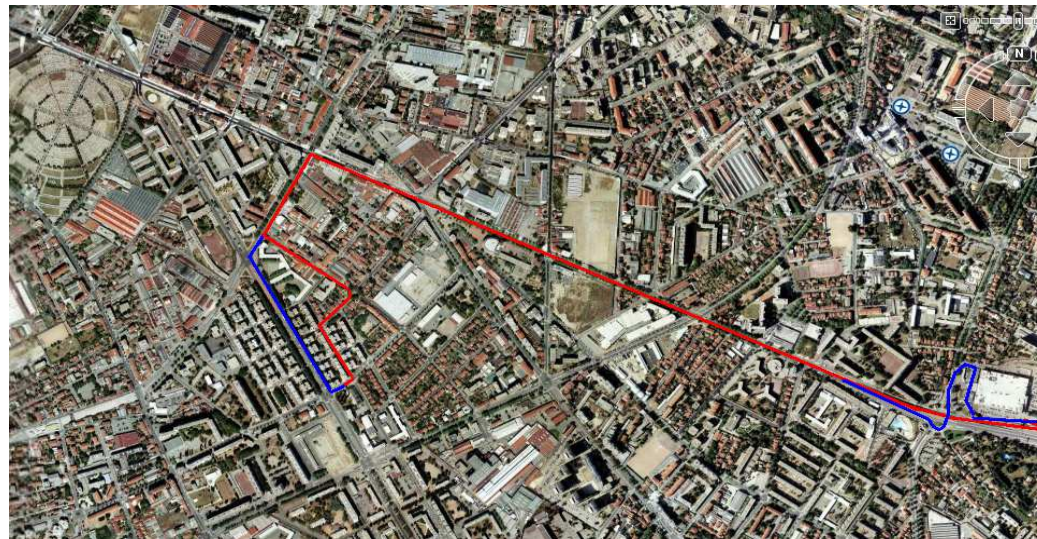
Vehicles on a predefined route: Bus, delivery trucks, cleaning machines, etc.

- The vehicle itinerary is known
- Traffic is a disturbance
- How can we use this information ?



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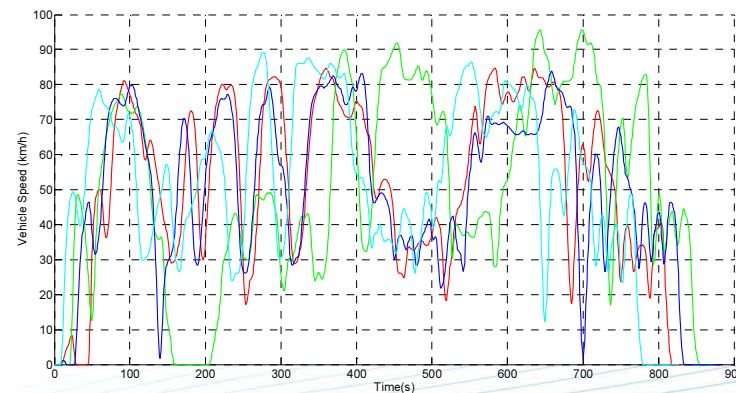
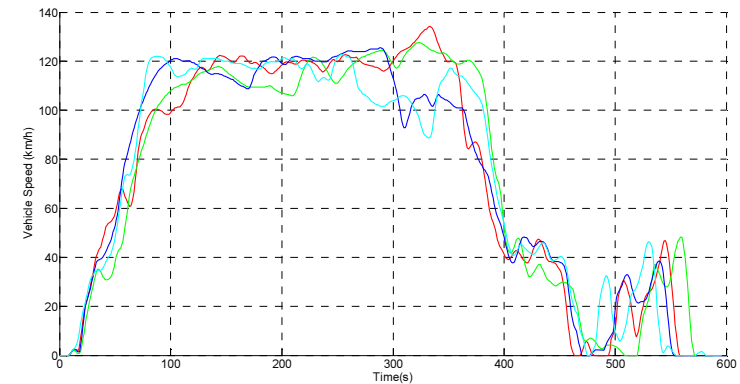
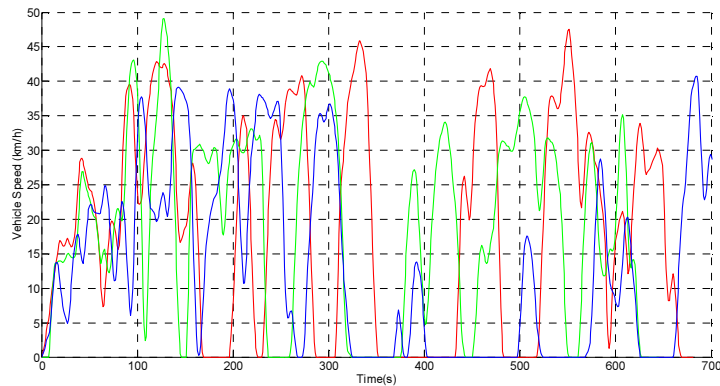


Urban trip (Bron, France)

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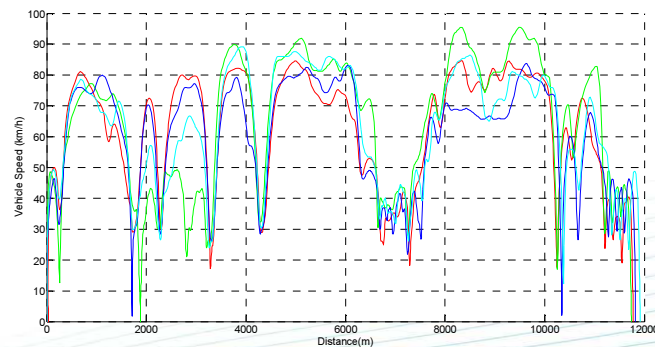
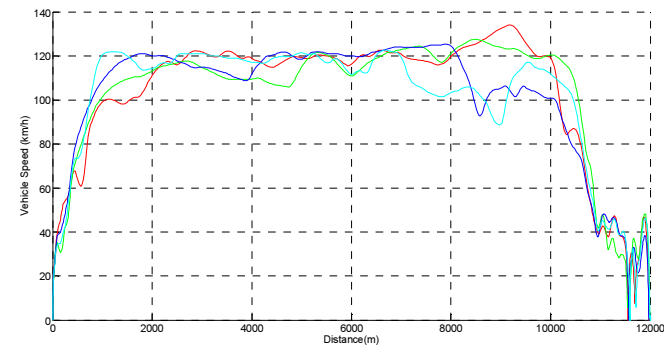
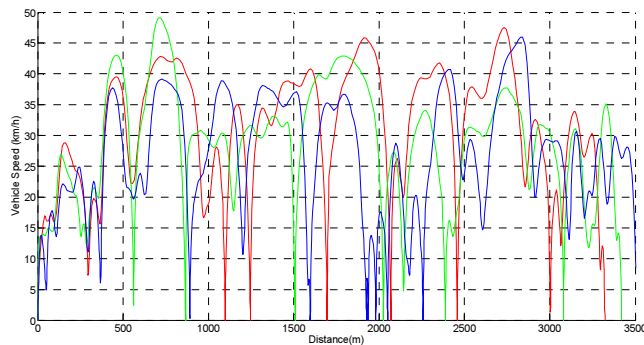
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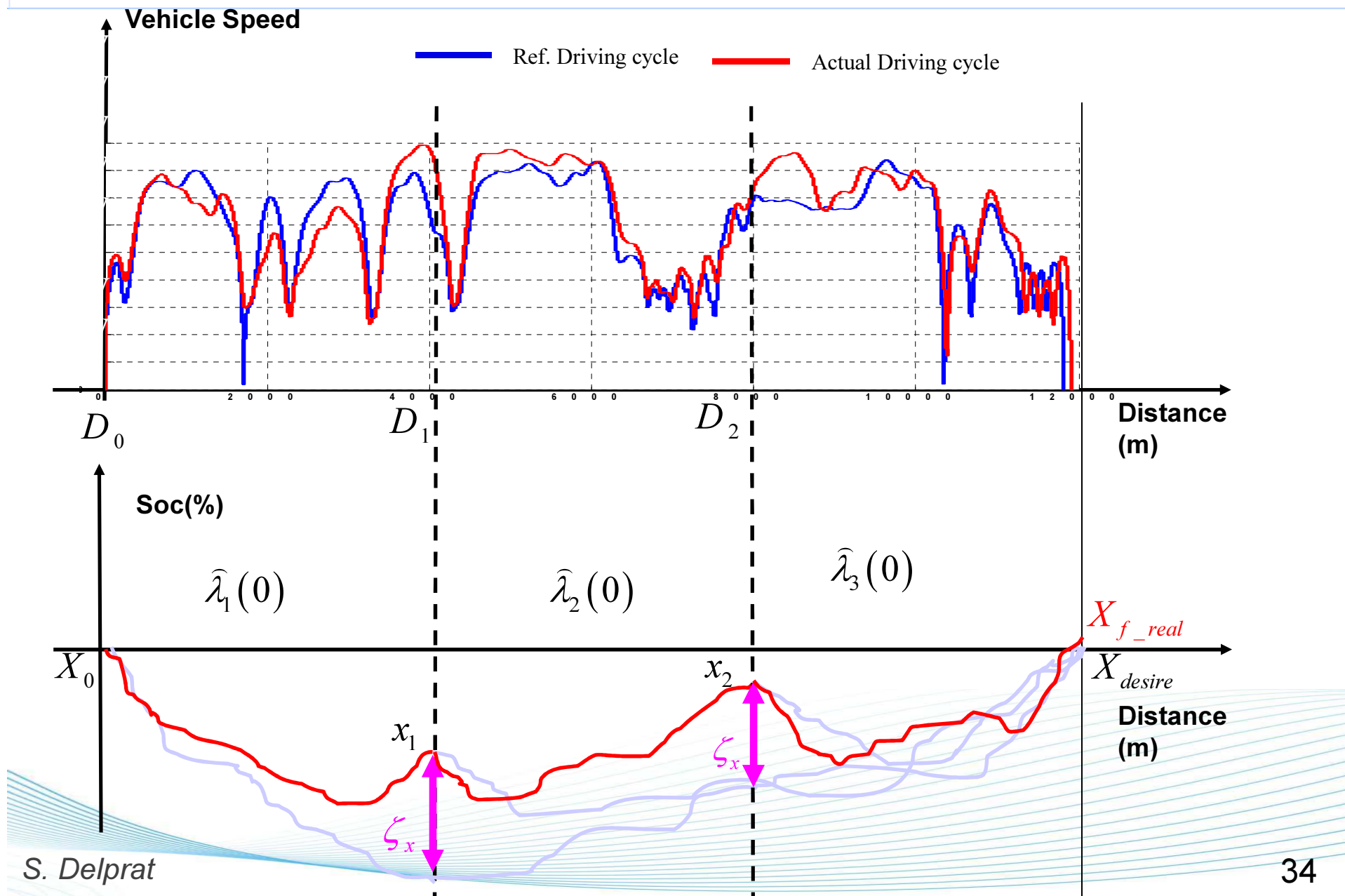
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Vehicles on a predefined route: Bus, etc.

- The driver react to environment & traffic
- Environment (stop sign, traffic lights, speed limits, etc.) is fixed
- Consider distance as the reference variable



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The considered mild hybrid vehicle:

- Mass : 800 kg



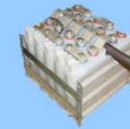
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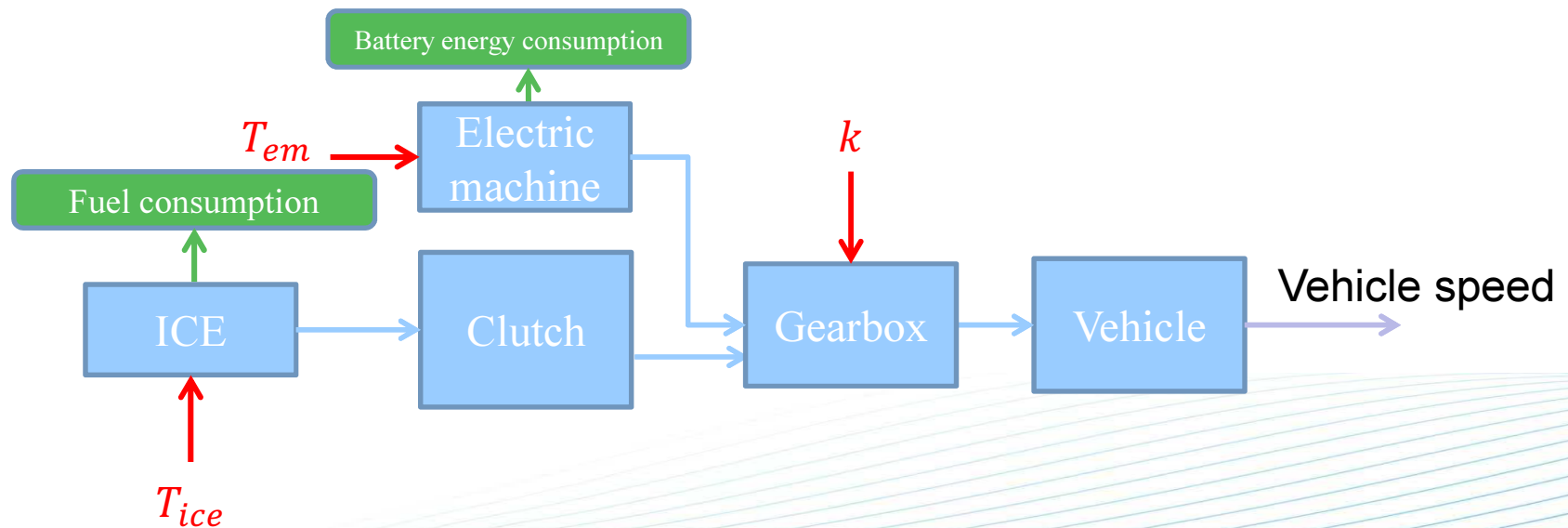
+15kW



+42V/34Ah NiMh



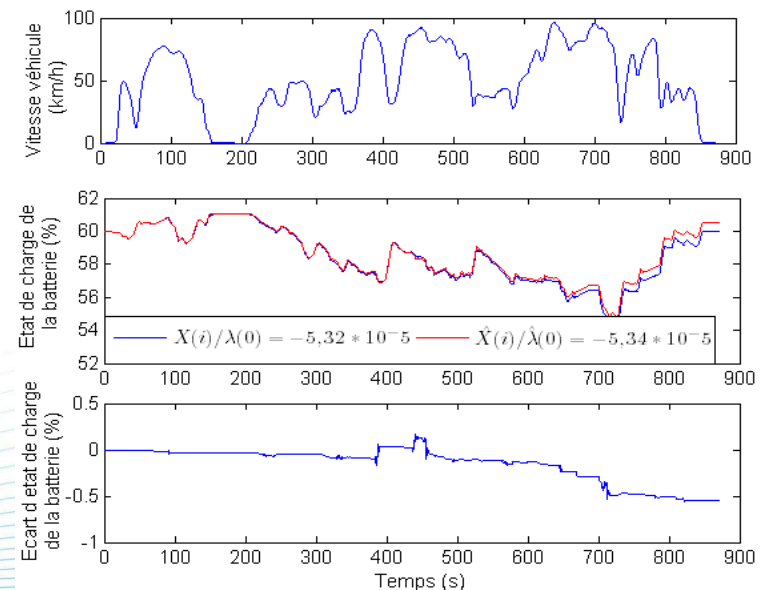
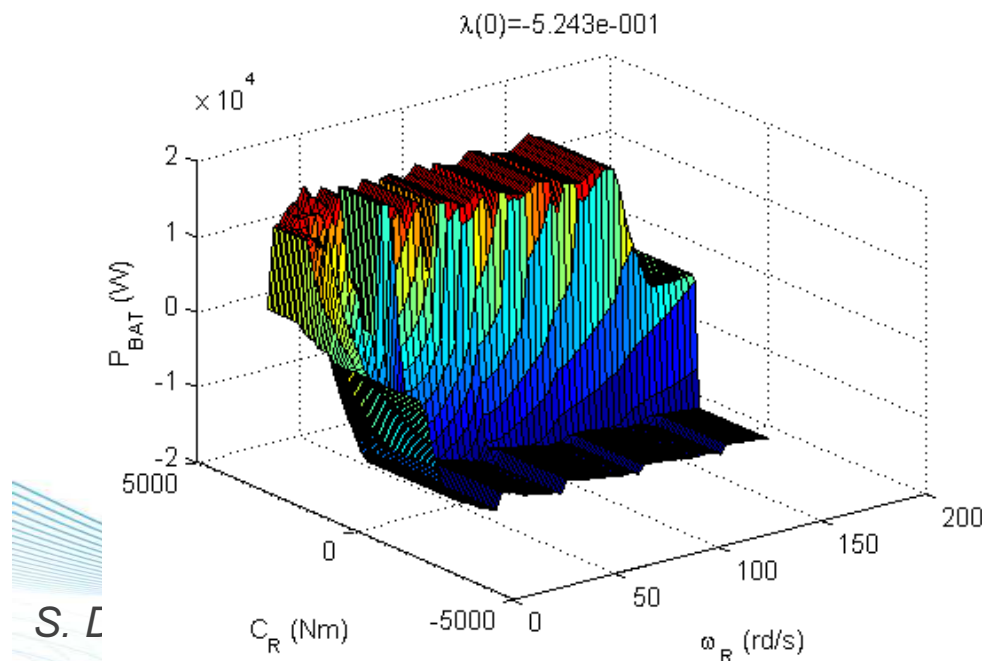
+ 5 Gears Gear box



Implementation details:

- The future driving conditions are given by a reference driving cycle
- The prediction horizon starts, on the reference driving, at the actual covered distance

- Pre-compute the battery usage on a 4D maps $\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + \sum_{j \in J} M(\hat{\lambda}(i), \bar{W}(j)) \cdot s$



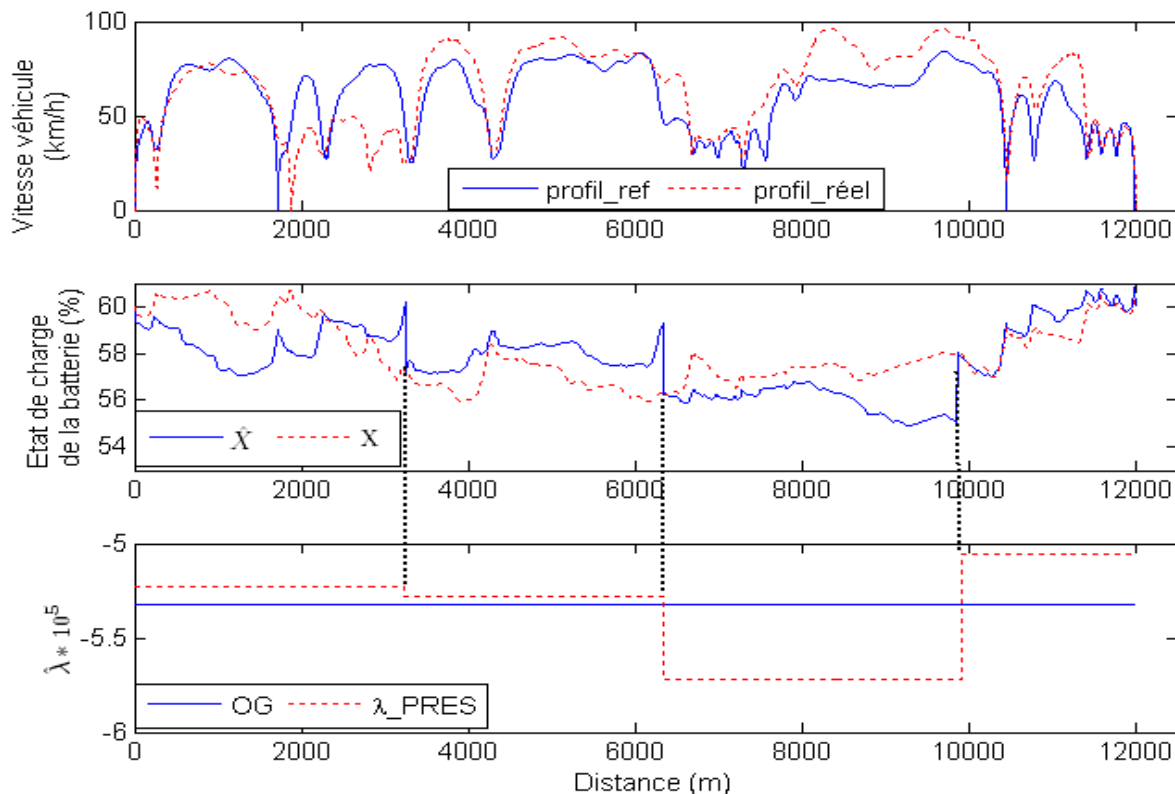
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λ_{PRES} control strategy:

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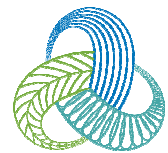
- Sampling Period s
- SOC deviation threshold : $\zeta_x = 3\%$

$x(N) - x(0) = 0,03\%$ Fuel cons. = 2,94 l/100km vs Optimal : 2,93 l/100km Deviation : 0,5%



Vehicle on predefined routes

Experimental results at the IFSTTAR



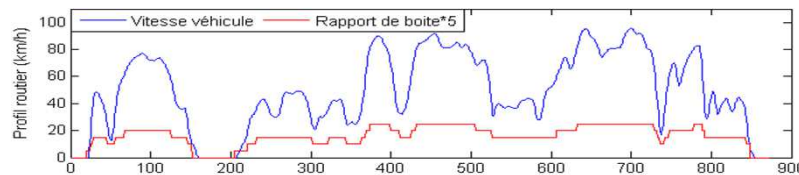
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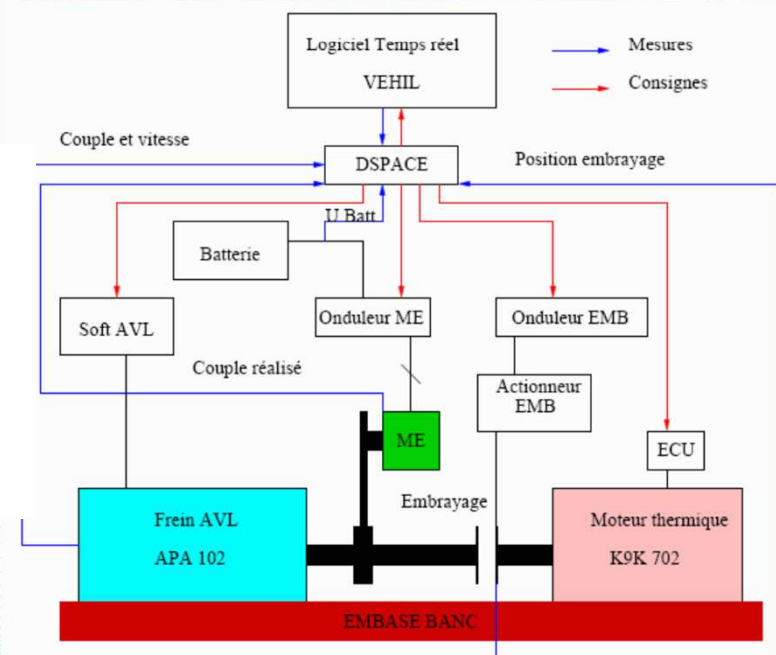
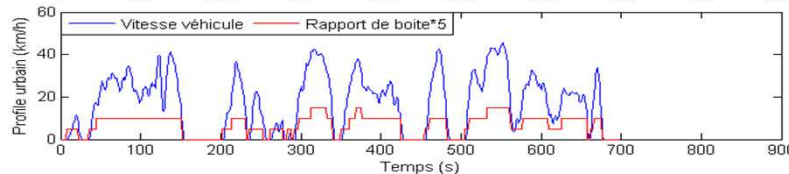
Actual 1,5L Diesel engine 60 kW
Emulated vehicle : Clio II
Euro III
2 routes, SOC target variations



Road



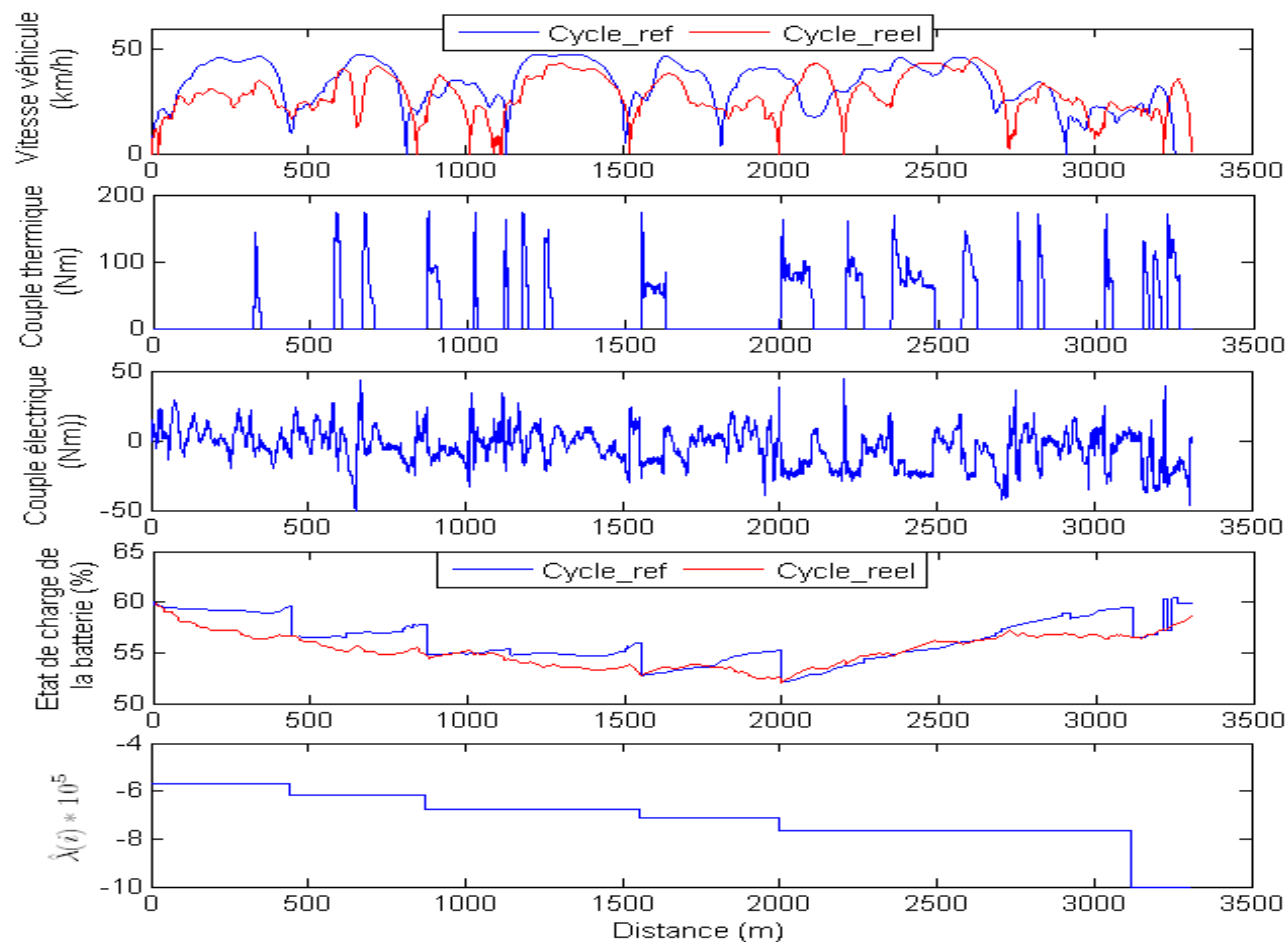
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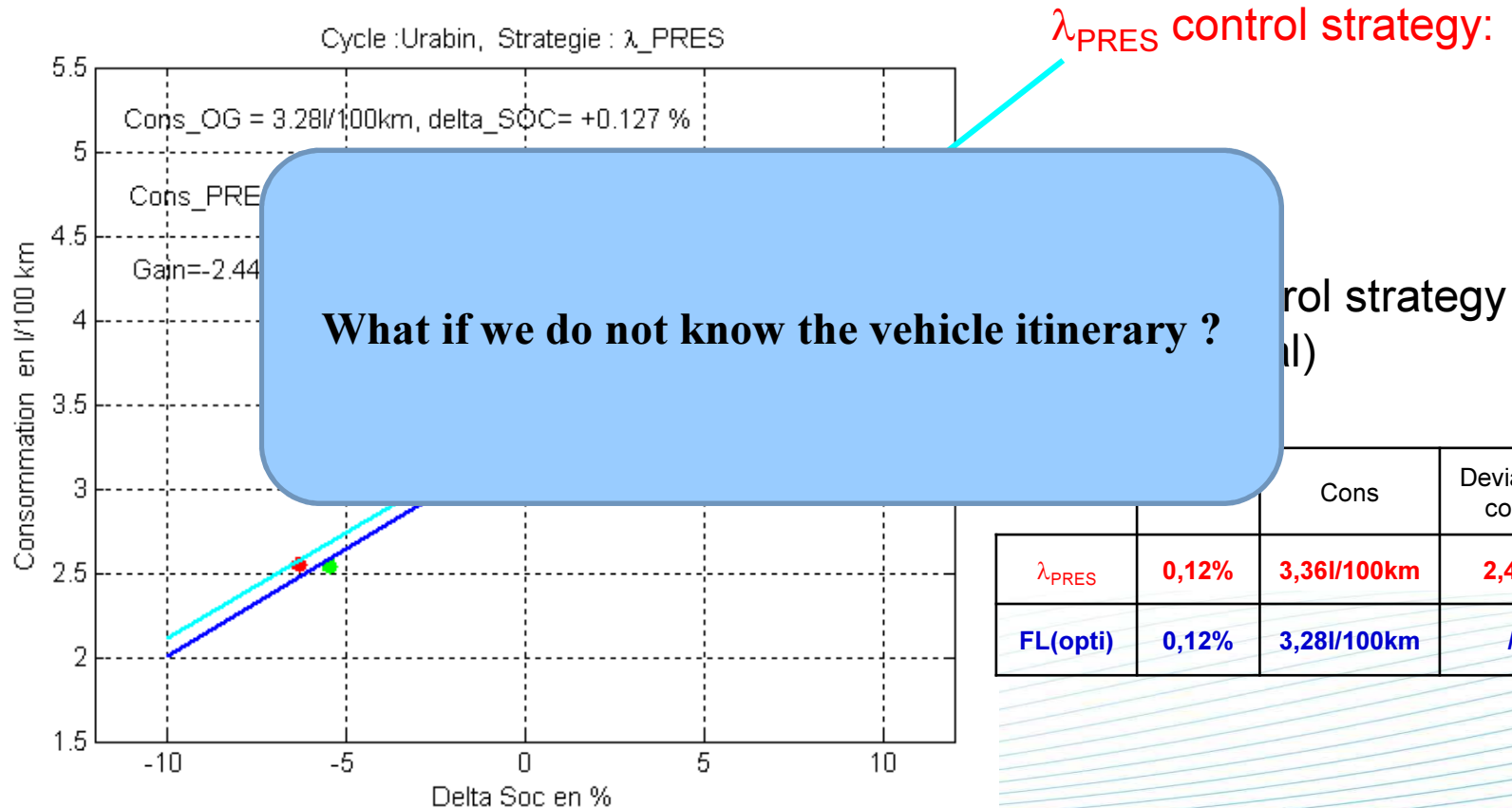
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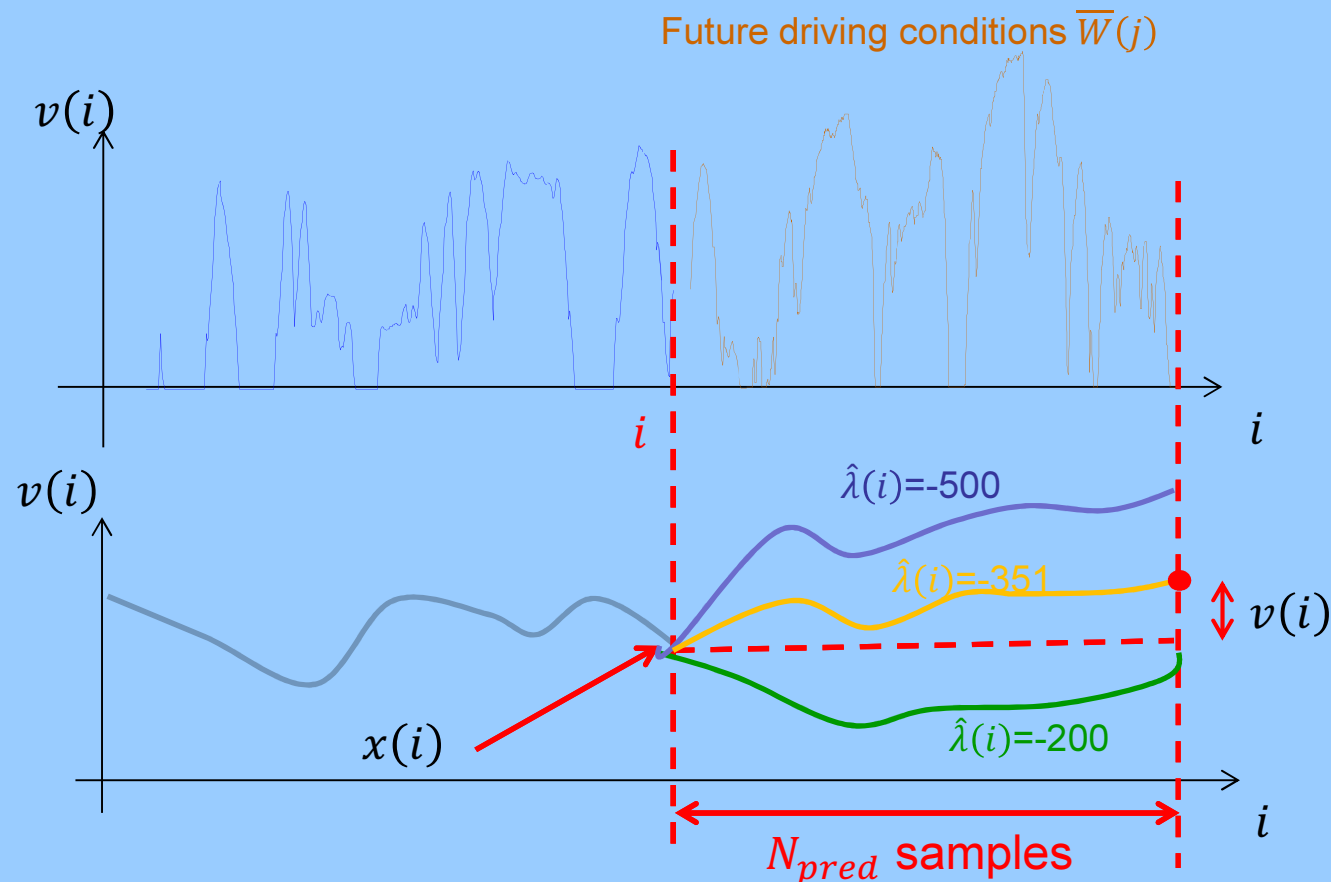
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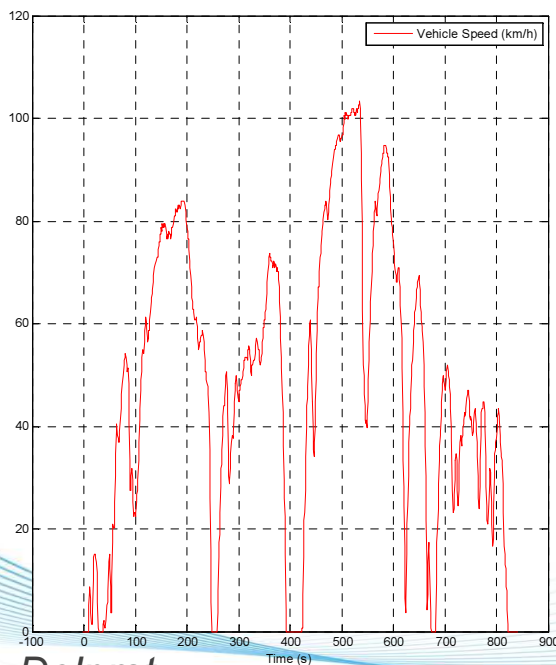
Let us remember....

State of charge at the end of the driving cycle

$$\bar{x}(i + N_{pred}) = x(i) + v(i) \Leftrightarrow \sum_{j \in J} M(\hat{\lambda}(i), \bar{W}(j)) \cdot s = v(i)$$

The sum is not ordered => Consider the frequency distribution of W:

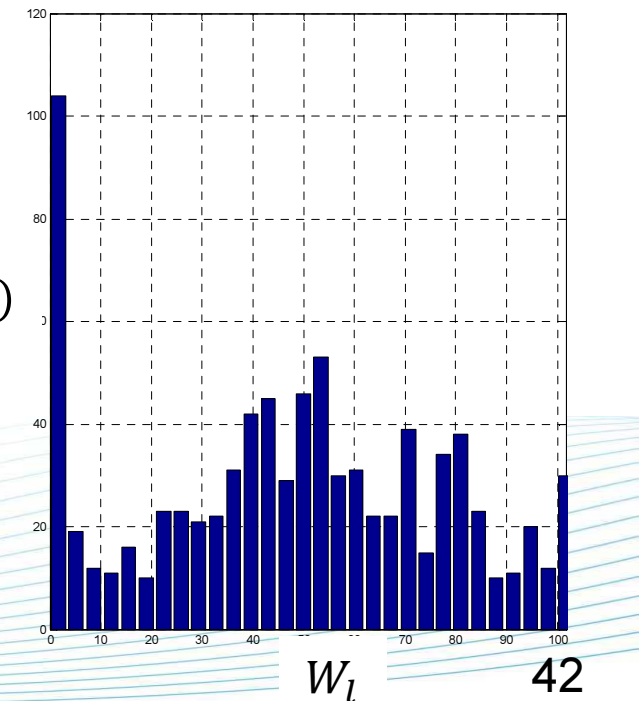
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Space quantification



$\mu(l)$



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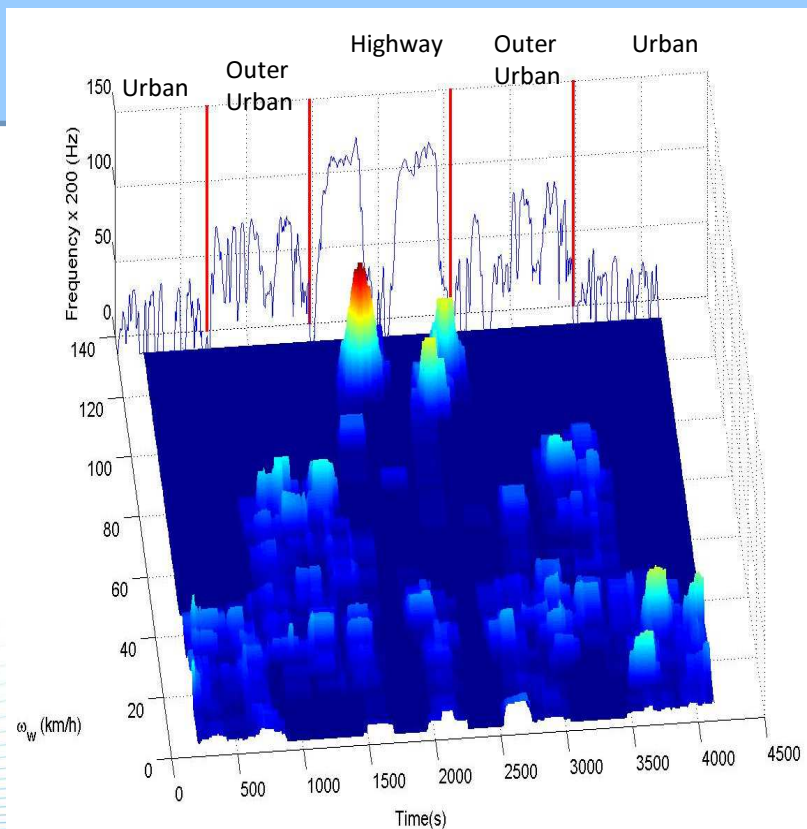
less computation if $N_{pred} \gg n_l$

- The frequency distribution of W is piecewise constant

\bar{W} frequency distribution

Example: Vehicle speed frequency distribution over a 54 km long trip

Windows length : 200 s



Frequency distribution assumption

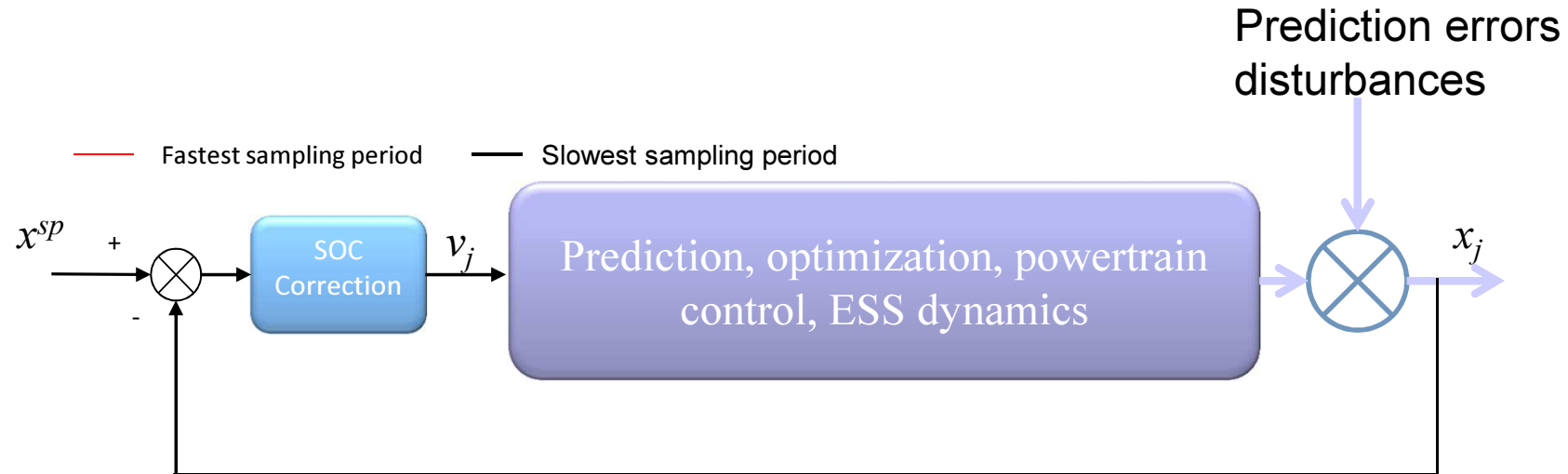
Assumption:

There exist a time window, such that the frequency distribution of $\bar{W}(i)$ over the future window is similar to the one obtained over the previous window

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i \in I^+} M(\lambda_j, \overline{W}(i)) \cdot s}_{\text{FUTURE}} \approx \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I^-} M(\lambda_j, W(i)) \cdot s}_{\text{PAST}} \quad \begin{aligned} I^- &= [(j-1)N_{pred}, j \cdot N_{pred} - 1] \\ I^+ &= [j \cdot N_{pred} ; (j+1) \cdot N_{pred} - 1] \end{aligned}$$

A shooting algorithm is available for real time control

Predictive control



Soc Correction : adjust the SOC target according to disturbances

$$x_{j+1} = x_j + v_j + d_j + p_j$$

⇒ Linear controller insure stability

⇒ Input to State Stability apply

Best performances with respect to prediction errors:

⇒ Proportional K=1

Persistent disturbances rejection:

⇒ PI controller

Predictive control

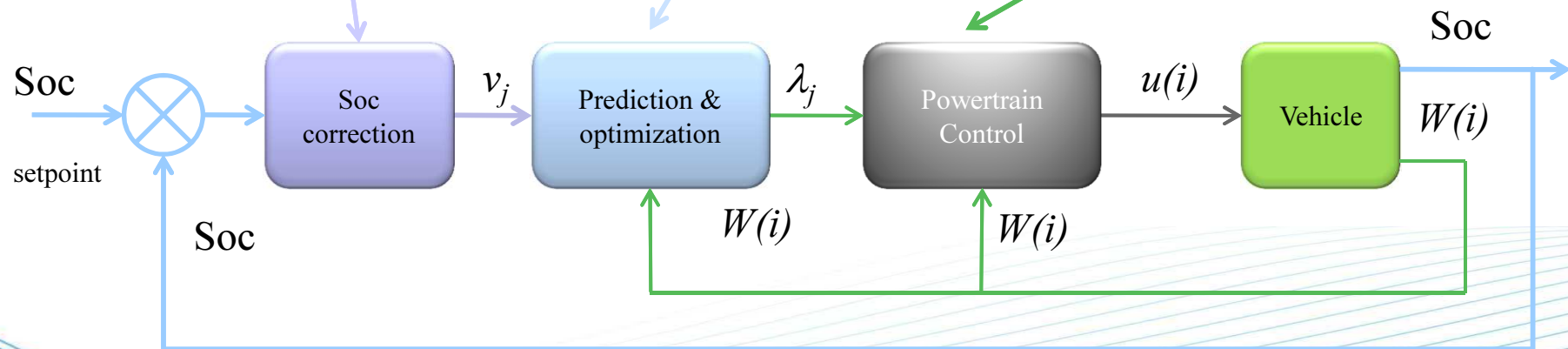
Outline of the λ_{PRED} algorithm:

State of charge control :
Robustness vs prediction error
and other disturbance
(state feedback H_∞)

Computation of λ_j using the assumption
on the driving condition distribution

$$v_j = \sum_{i \in I} M(\lambda_j, \overline{W(i)}) s$$

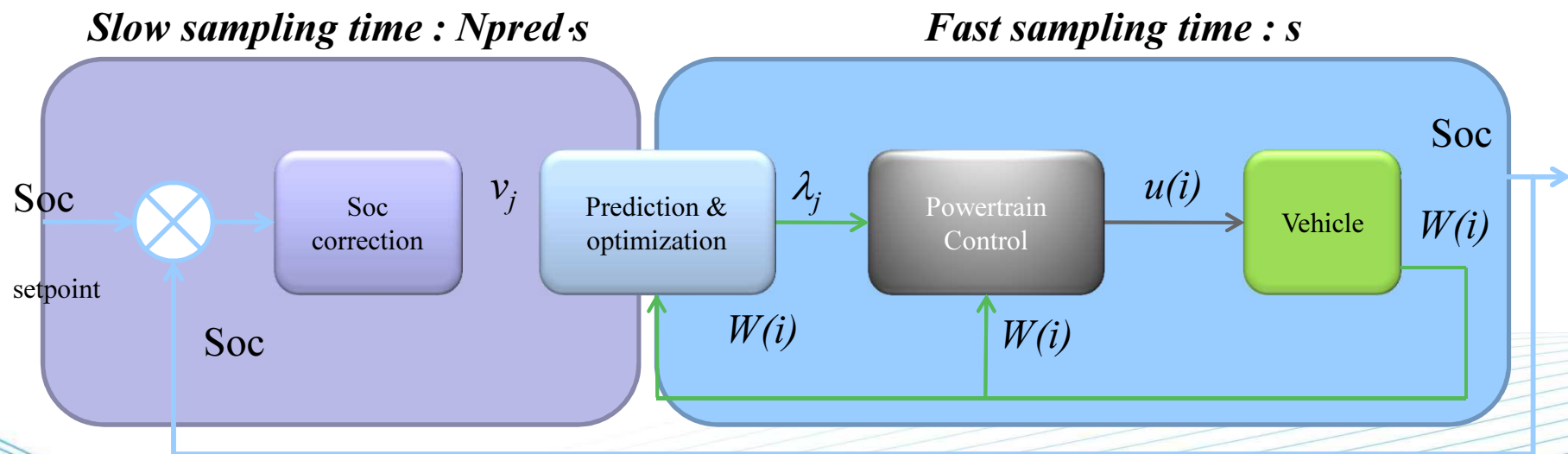
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 $u(i) = \Pi(\lambda_j, W(i))$



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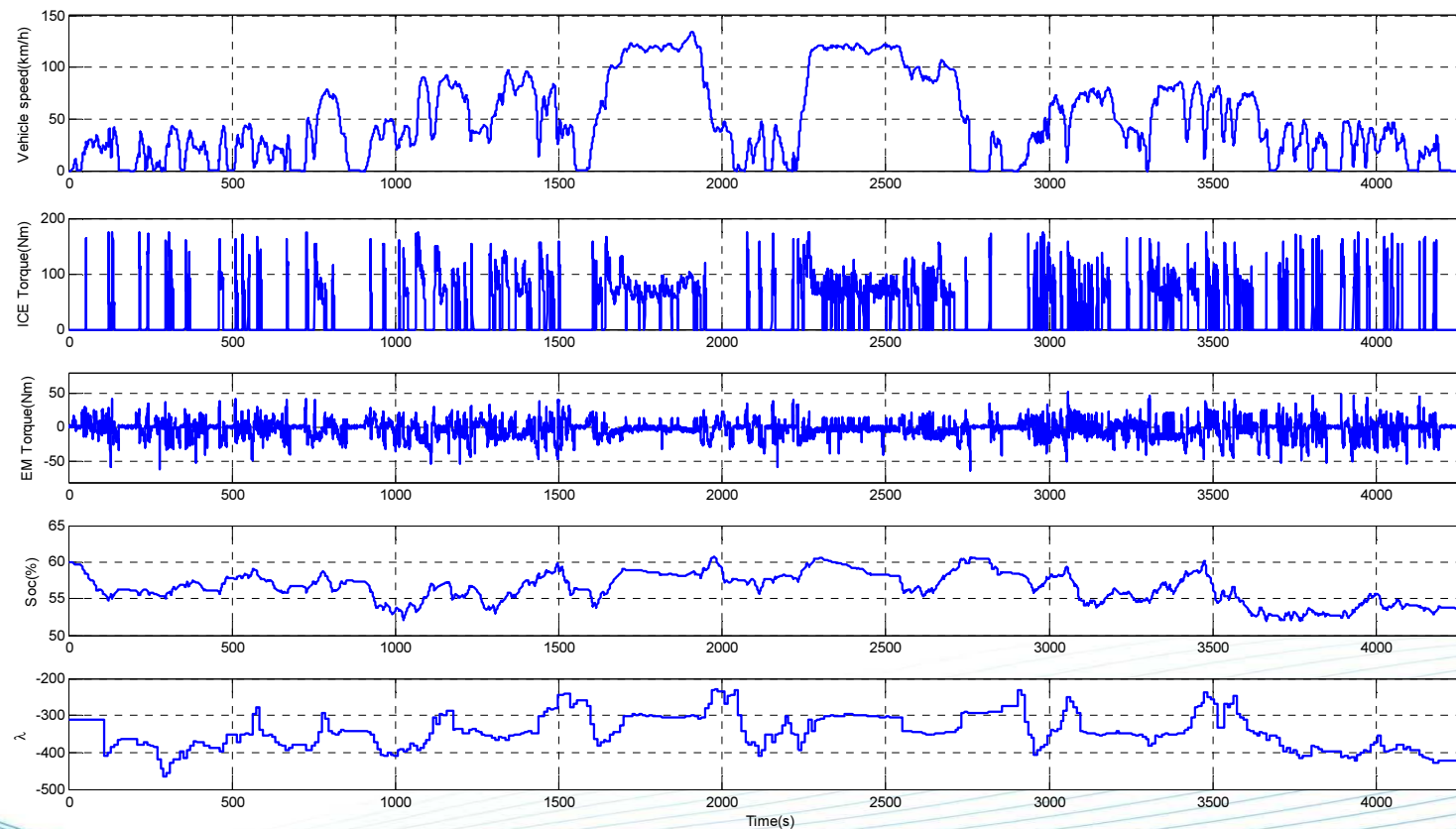
Control strategy structure :

- Powertrain control : Fast update to cope with the dynamics of actual exogenous variables $W(i)$
- Soc correction, Prediction : slow sampling time & slow dynamics (in order of the battery SOC dynamics)



Experimental results : Mixed driving conditions

- 1h10min long
- Different driving condition
- SOC control is ok => Hypothesis holds in practice



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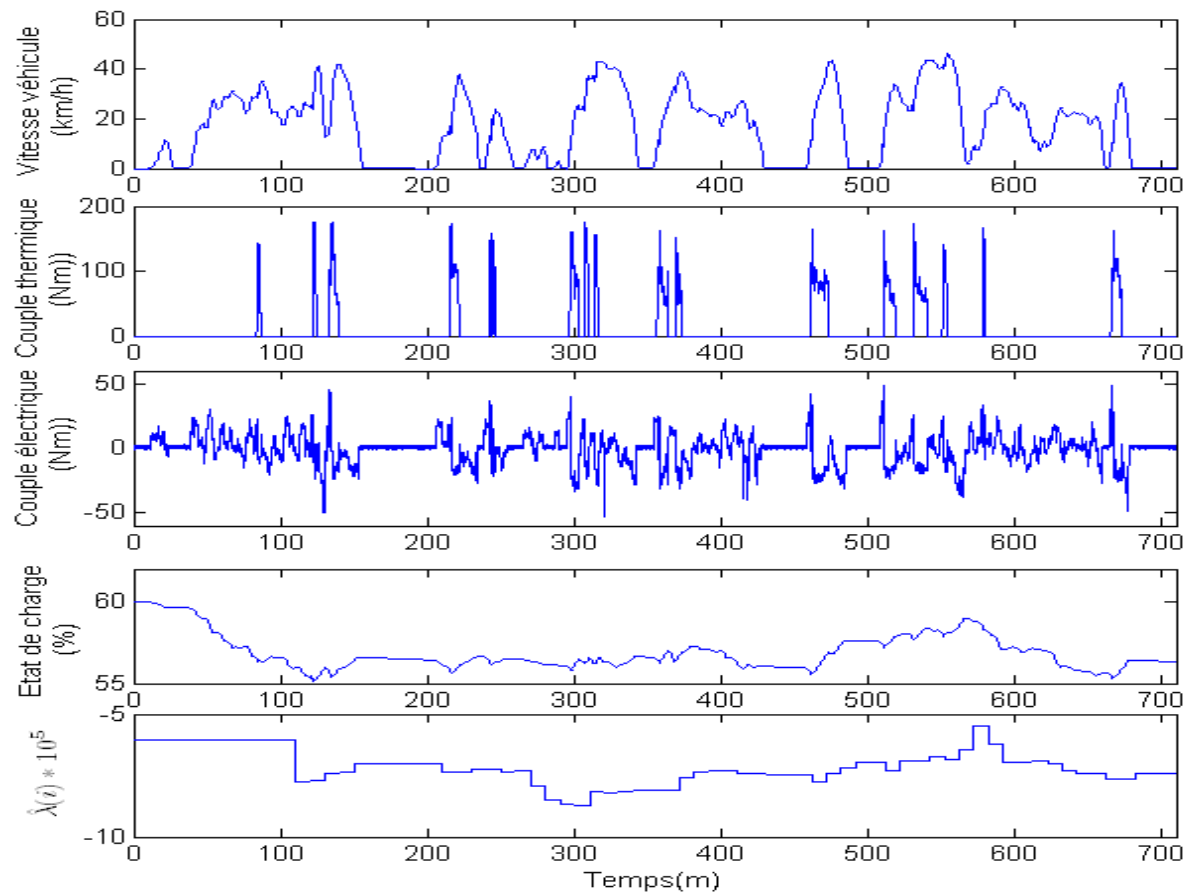
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$$\hat{\lambda}(0) = -6 \times 10^{-5}$$

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$$\Delta X = -3,6\%, \text{Conso} = 2,89l/100\text{km}$$



Predictive control

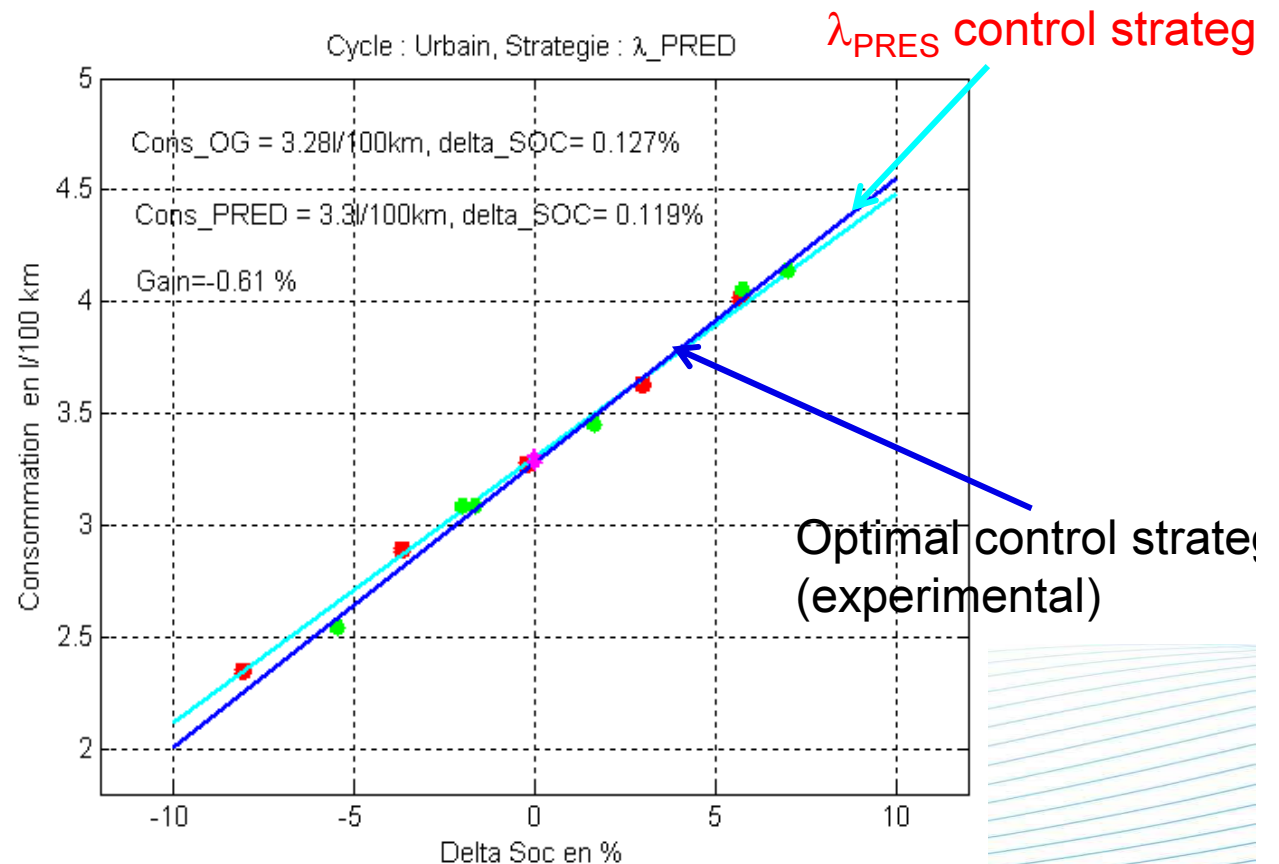
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$$s = 0,1s \quad x(0) \approx 60\%$$

$$\hat{\lambda}(0) = -6 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$N_{PREV} = N_{PRED} = 1000, N_I = 100$$

	ΔSOC	Cons	Deviation cons
	0,12%	3,30l/100km	0,61%
FL(opti)	0,12%	3,28l/100km	/



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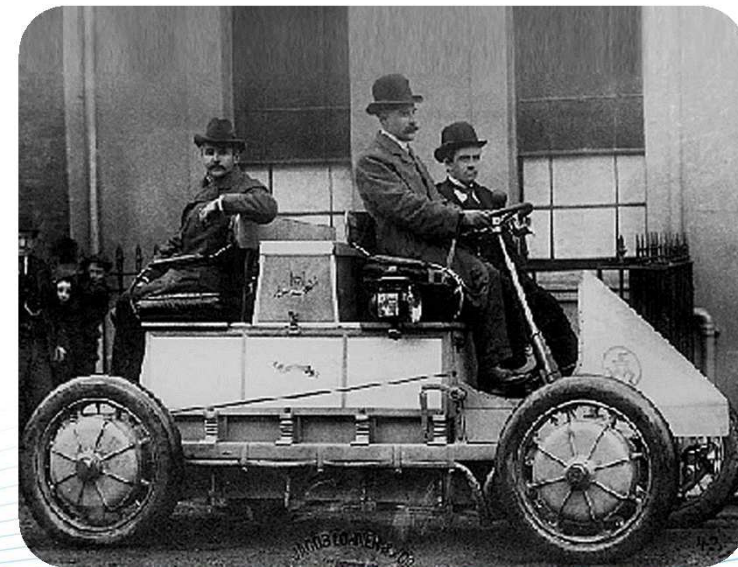
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Conclusion

Thank you for your attention

Theory is when one knows everything but nothing works.

Practice is when everything works but nobody knows why.



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