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Project Overview

Timeline

- Start September 2008
- End September 2009
- 50% Complete

Budget

- DOE
 - FY08 \$ 400k
 - FY09 \$ 200k

Barriers

- Develop optimum control strategies to maximize fuel displacement
- Take into account real world driving

Partners

U.S EPA

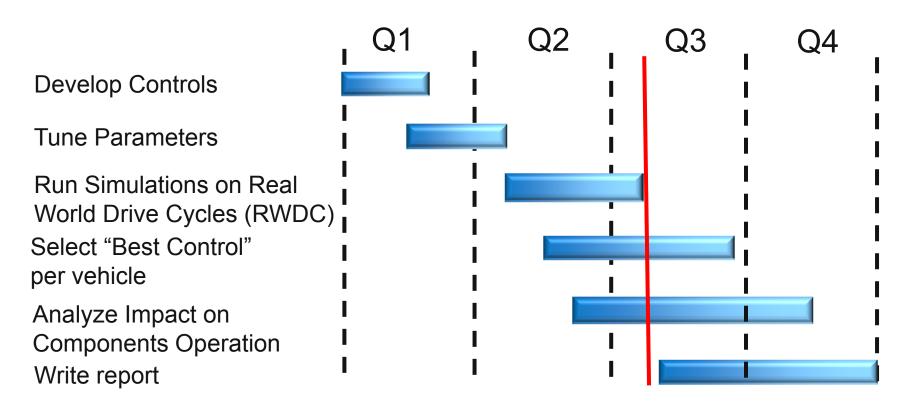


Main Objectives

- Understand impact of different control strategy philosophies on fuel efficiency and component operating conditions.
- Analyze the most appropriate set of control parameter to maximize fuel efficiency while maintaining acceptable drive quality (e.g., engine ON/OFF) and maximizing battery life (e.g., low Irms).
- Evaluate fuel efficiency obtained with different control strategies over Real World Driving Cycles (RWDC's) and compare to the J1711 procedure.



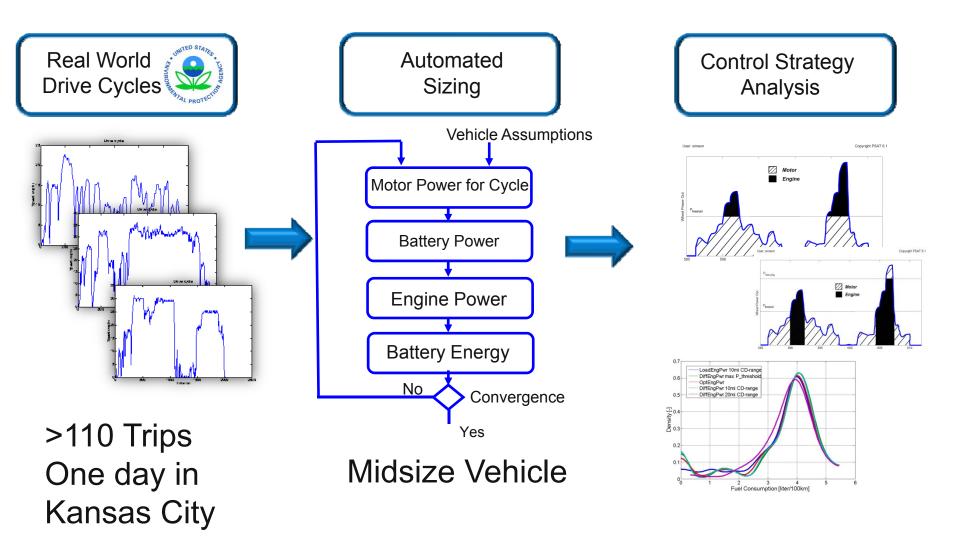
Milestones



Current Status

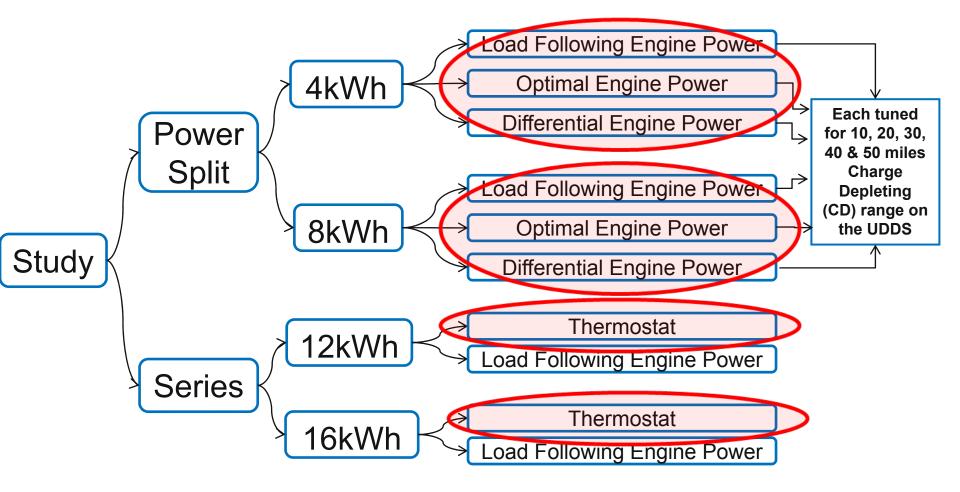


Approach – Vehicle Definition





Approach - Control Strategies Considered

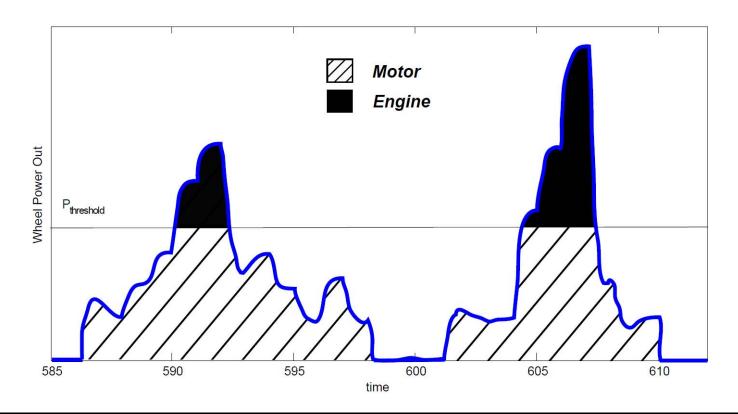


All these options were simulated on the RWDCs (source EPA 2005 Kansas City Cycles – 110 trips)



Differential Engine Power Strategy

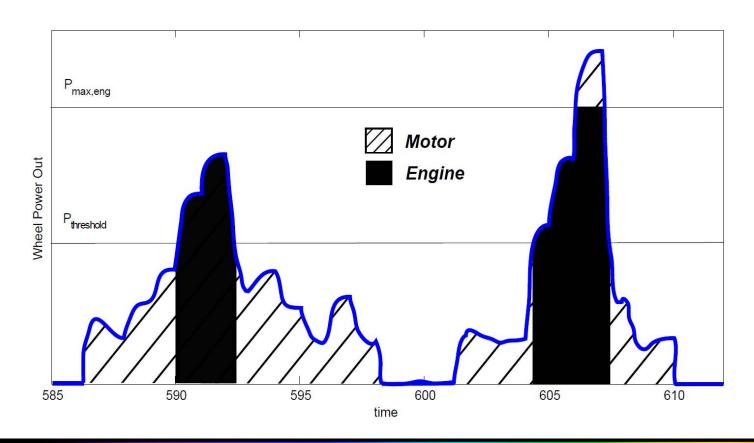
The engine is turned on at a certain power threshold. It then provides the difference between the wheel power demand and the power threshold.





Load Following Strategy

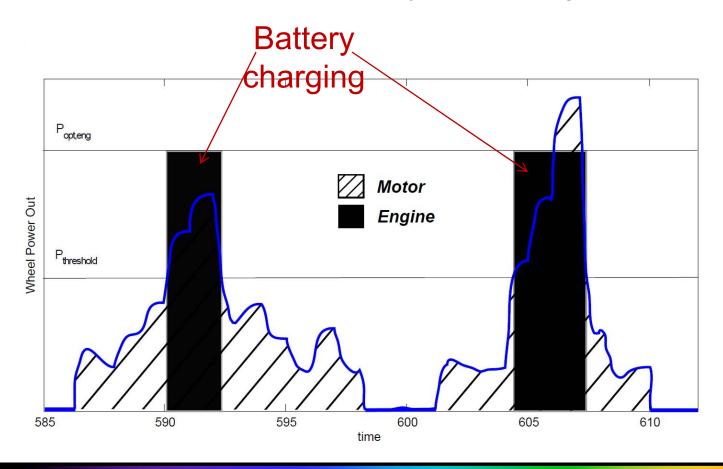
■ The engine is turned on at a certain power threshold. It then provides the full wheel power, i.e. it is load following





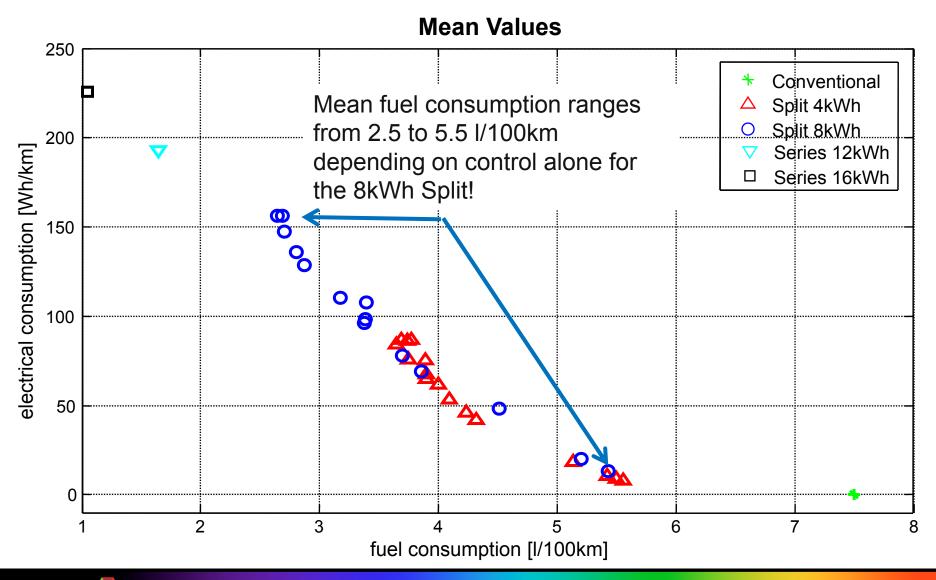
Constant Optimal Engine Strategy

The engine is turned on at a certain power threshold. It then operates at its optimal power. If the engine power is bigger than the wheel power demand, the battery will be charged.



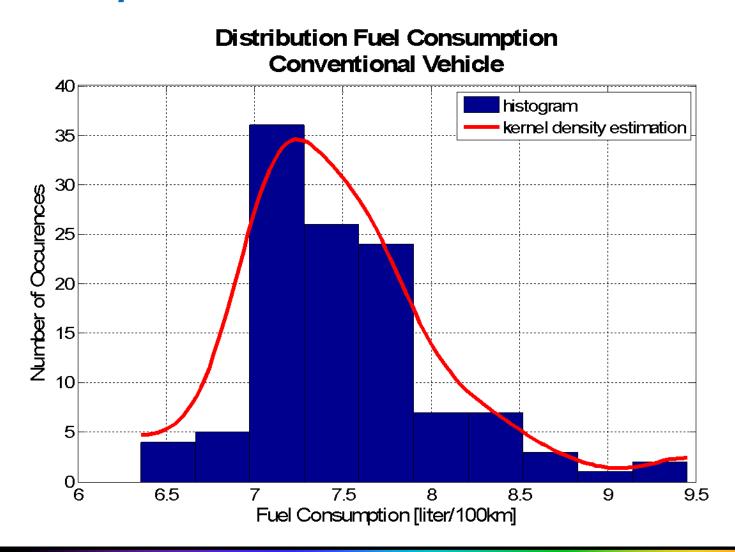


Different Strategies Influence Energy Tradeoff – How Do We Select The "Best" Control?



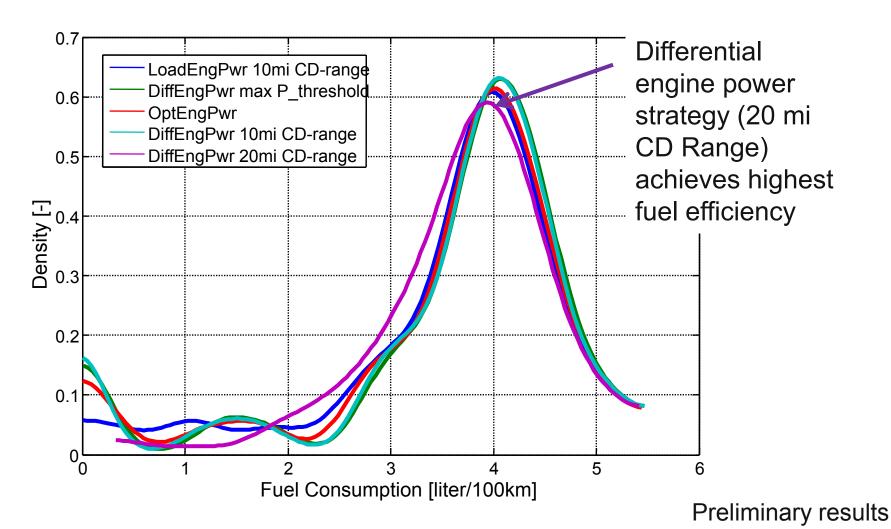


Kernel Density Will be Used to Compare Control Options



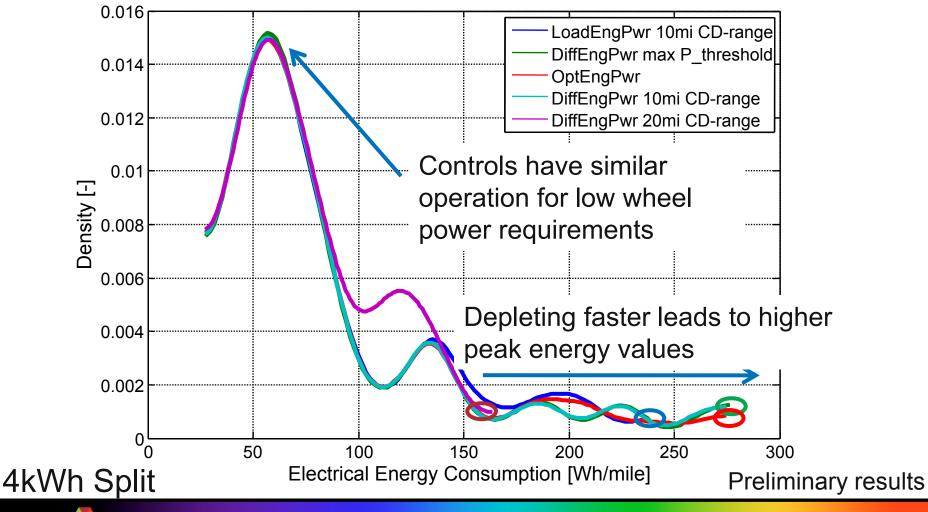


Best Fuel Economy with "Differential Engine Power" Strategy for the 4kWh Power Split



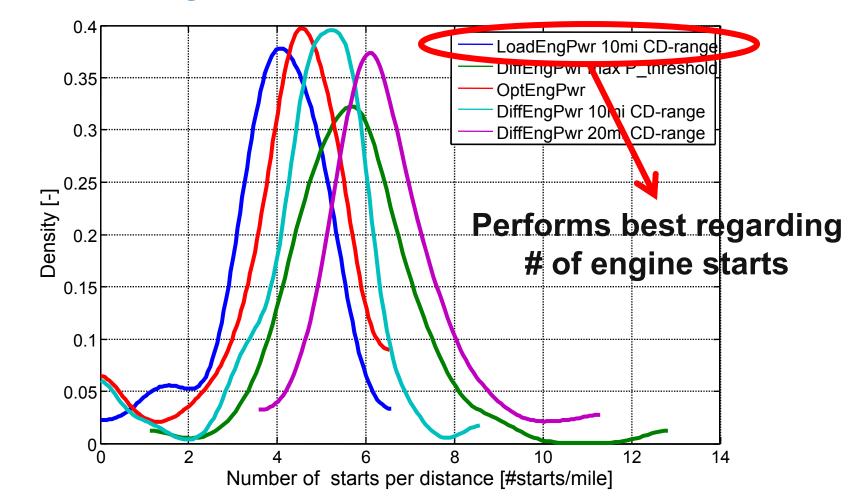


All Controls Share Same Peak Density, Favoring Electrical Energy Leads to Lower Energy Consumption Maximum Values





Number of Engine Starts Clearly Distinguishes Control Strategies

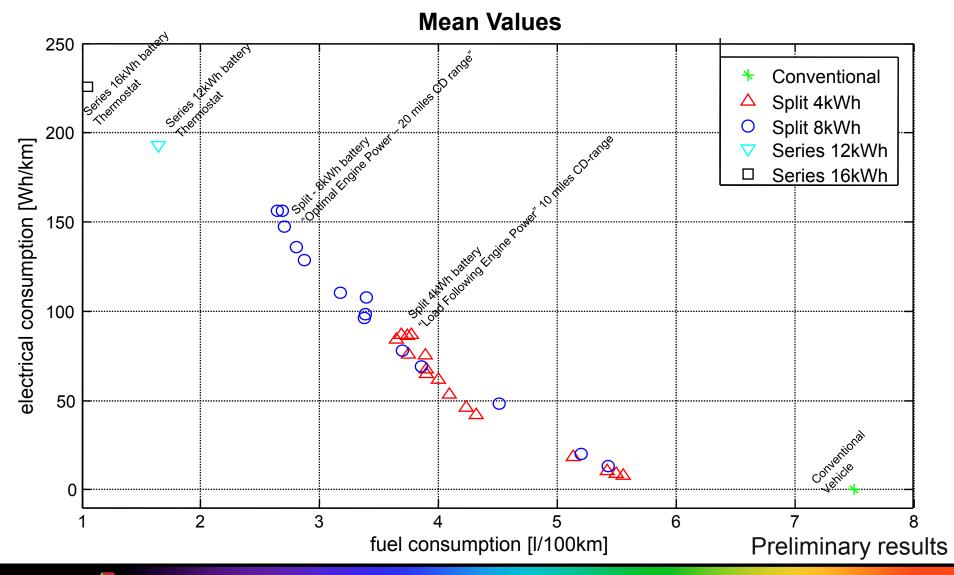


4kWh Split

Preliminary results

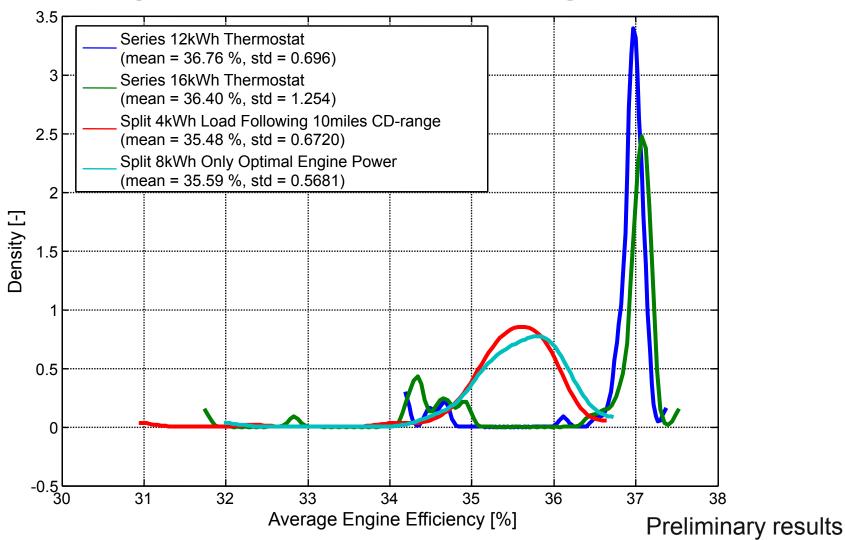


Best Control Selected for Each Configuration Based on Criteria of Fuel Consumption & Number of Engine Start





Higher Average Engine Efficiency (at its maximum) for the Series Configuration





Future Activities

- Expand study to other Real World Drive Cycles (RWDC) – Source INL
- Develop and test control strategies with trip recognition
- Implement controls on hardware (if possible)
- Understand differences with J1711 fuel efficiency results



Summary

- The analysis is only valid for the specific set of RWDC.
- Several control strategies and set of parameters were evaluated on Real World Drive Cycles.
- Different controls were selected based on fuel efficiency and drive quality.
- Control selected varies depending on the battery energy.
 - Load Following for 4kWh battery
 - Optimum Engine for 8kWh battery
 - Thermostat for 12 and 16 kWh battery
- Impact of component operating conditions assessed
- Preliminary comparison with J1711 shows fuel economy under evaluated



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