

Trip Prediction and Route-Based Vehicle Energy Management

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Project Overview

Timeline

- Start: September 2012
- End: September 2014
- Status: 70% complete

Barriers

- Cost of testing advanced technologies through multiple vehicle builds
- Risk aversion of OEM to commit to unproven technologies
- Constant advances in technologies

Budget

- FY2013 - \$ 300k
- FY2014 - \$ 300k

Partners

- HERE* (Map data)
- Argonne's Transportation Research and Analysis Computing Center (TRACC) (traffic modeling expertise)

**A Nokia Company; formerly NAVTEQ*



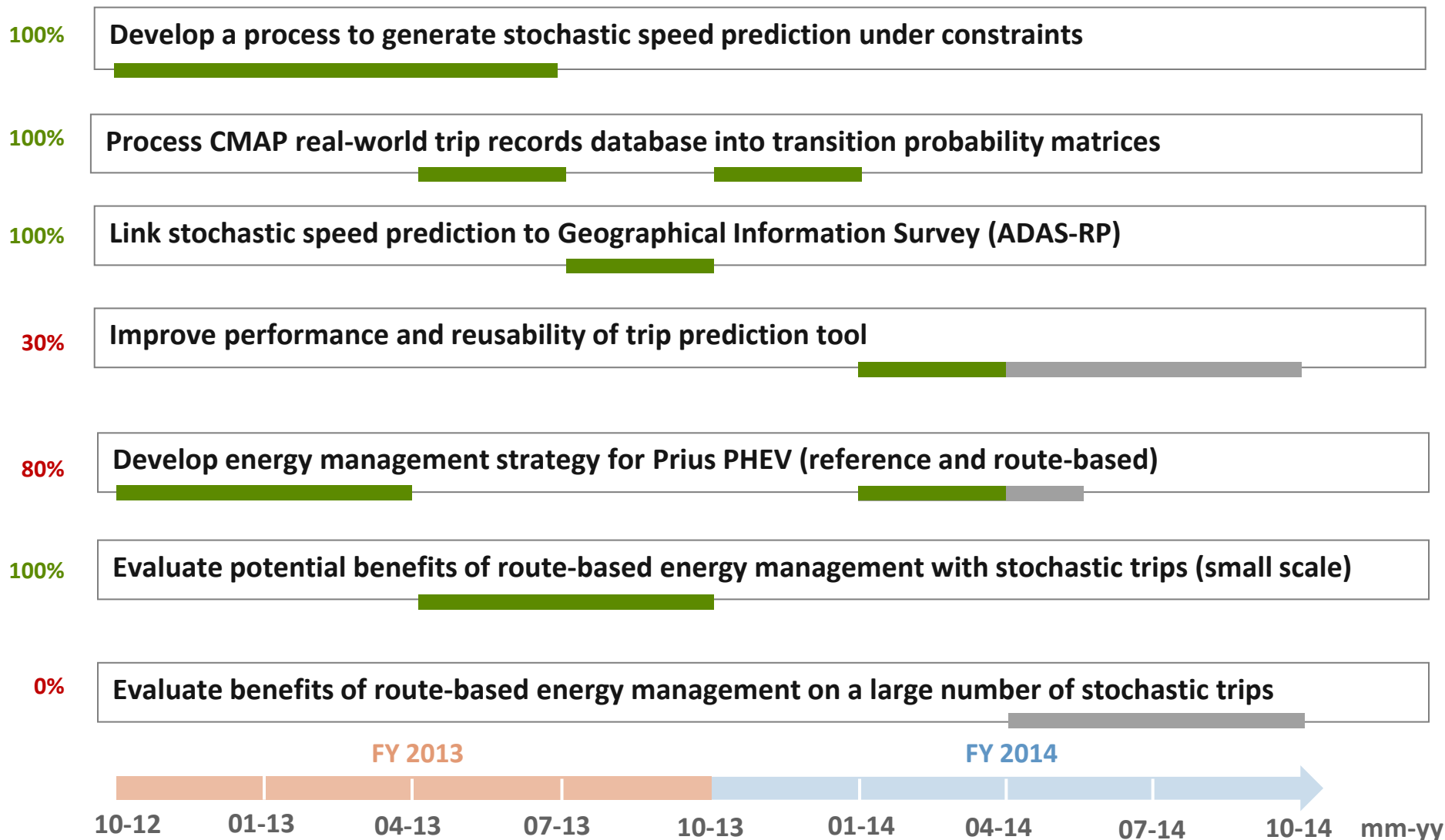
Relevance

Project Objective: Increase vehicle efficiency by leveraging road and traffic data

- **Objective 1:** Develop a method to predict speed profile
 - Use data that can be made available to real vehicles TODAY
 - Model the stochastic nature of driving
 - With a resolution high enough to be used for fuel consumption prediction
- **Objective 2:** Develop a vehicle energy management that can use speed prediction
- **Objective 3:** Evaluate route-based energy management within a stochastic environment (i.e. actual speed is different from predicted speed)

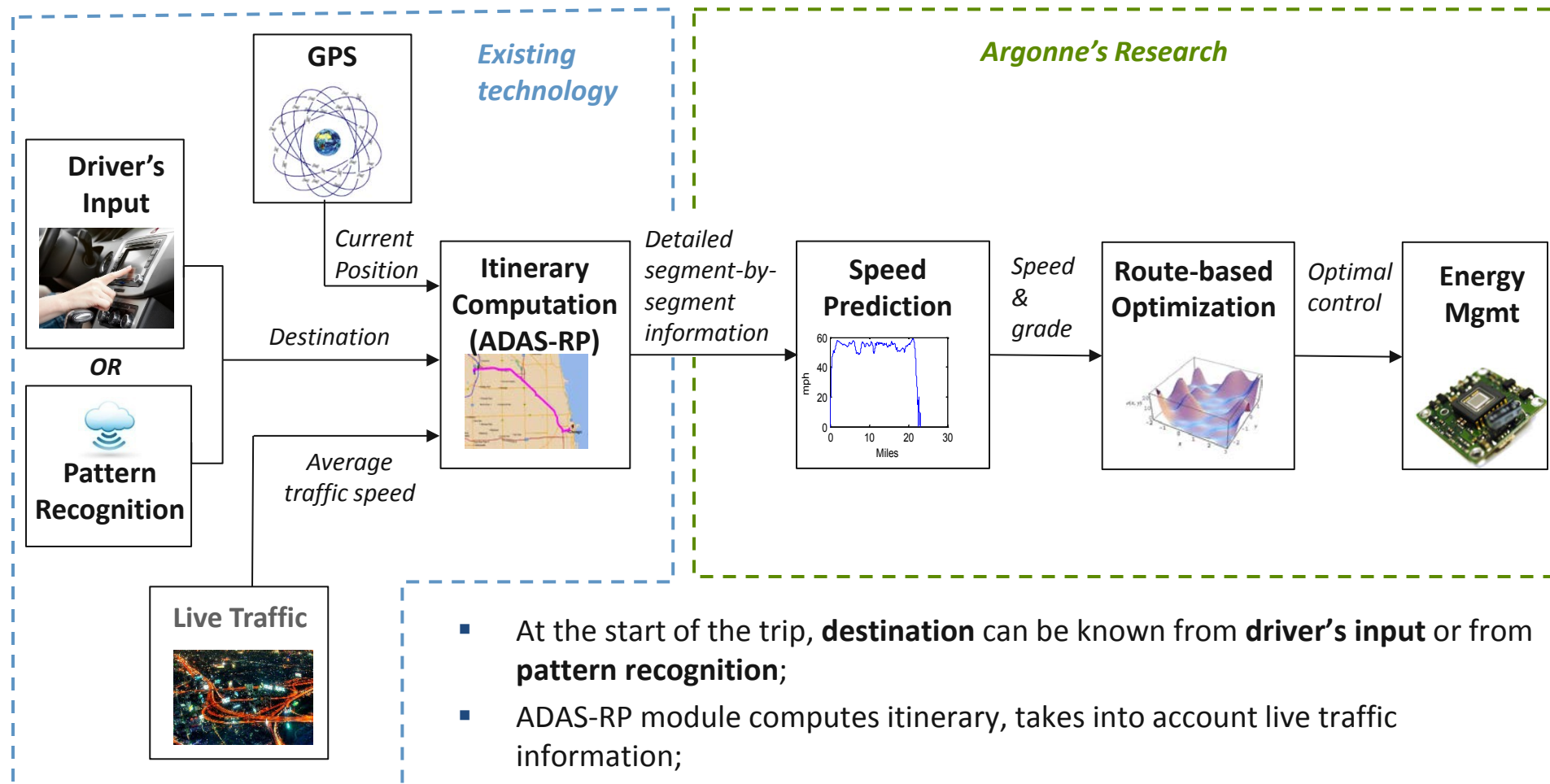
Relevant to the VT Program goals: enable highly efficient cars and reduce both energy use and greenhouse gas emissions

Milestones



Approach

Tackle All the Aspects of “Route-Based” Energy Management

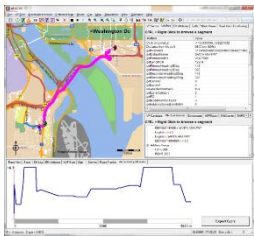


- At the start of the trip, **destination** can be known from **driver's input** or from **pattern recognition**;
- ADAS-RP module computes itinerary, takes into account live traffic information;
- Vehicle speed profiles are generated and optimal control is computed;
- The vehicle energy management executes the optimal control.

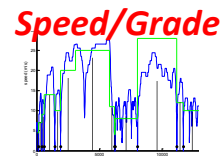
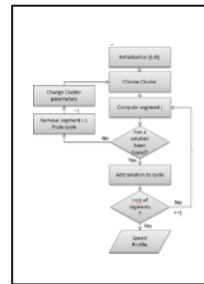
Approach

Simulation Framework Developed for Trip Prediction and Route-Based Energy Management

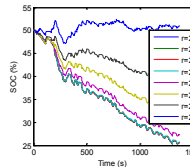
Define Itinerary in GIS
(HERE's ADAS-RP)



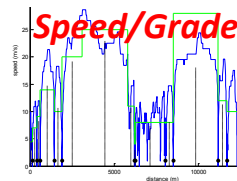
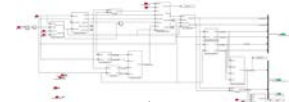
Generate Speed
Profiles



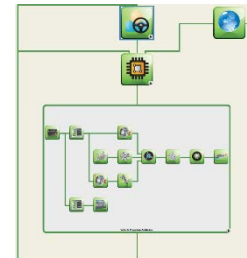
Compute Optimal
Tuning of Energy
Management
Strategy



Optimal
Controller



*Same itinerary, but
different speed profiles*

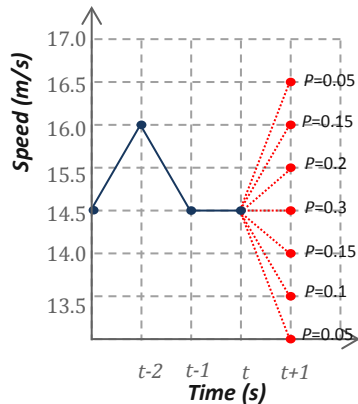


Simulate in a
Forward-Looking
Model (Autonomie)

- Our approach:
 - Work on both optimal control and prediction;
 - Propose implementable solutions;
 - Provide achievable benefits estimation.

Technical Accomplishments

Speed Profile Generated from Constrained Markov Chain



- Driving is modeled as a **Markov chain**, vehicle speed and **acceleration** as the random variables;
- A Markov chain is defined by a **transition probability matrix (TPM) P** ; $P_{i,j}$ is the probability of transitioning from state i at time t to state j at time $t+1$.

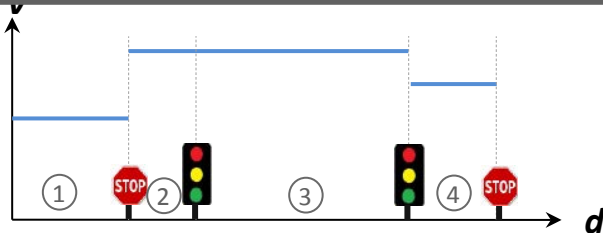
$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{1,1} & \cdots & P_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ P_{n,1} & \cdots & P_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Our Speed Profile Generation Algorithm

Segment attributes

GIS provides **itinerary**, divided in **segments**, with:

- attributes for each segment
- position of stops** and traffic lights



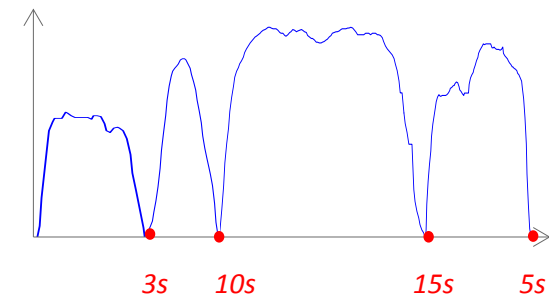
Segment-by-segment Markov chain

For each segment, the algorithm generates **stochastic speed profiles** iteratively until a solution that matches the segment constraints (**average speed, distance, etc.**) is found.



Entire Trip

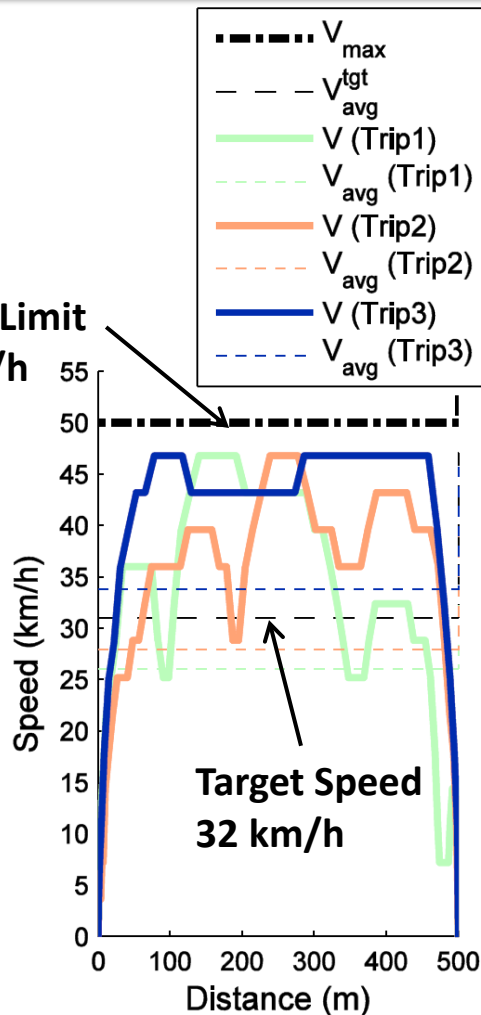
The entire trip is then the concatenation of **stop periods** and **speed profiles** from all segments



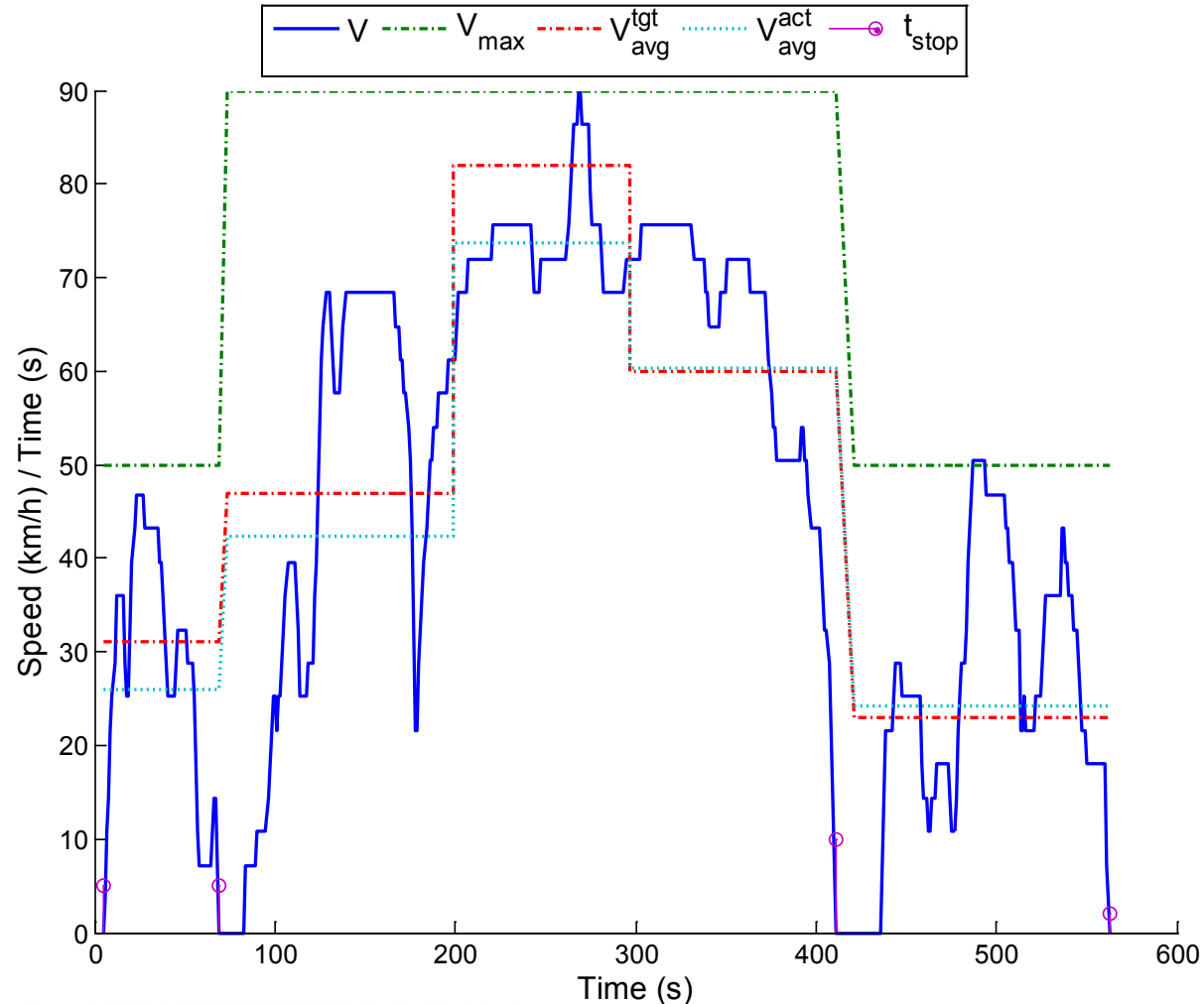
Technical Accomplishments

Examples of Synthetic Vehicle Speed Profiles

Multiple stochastic speed profiles for the same target micro-trip



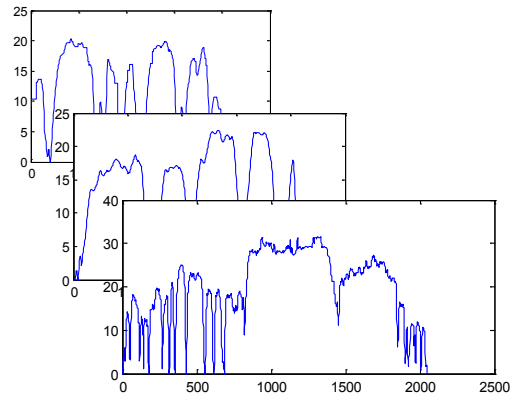
One synthetic speed profile for one entire itinerary



Technical Accomplishments

Markov Chains Defined Using Real-World Data

Database



- Real-world trips:
- Chicago metro area
- >6M points

Database Processing, QC and filtering

- Original database correction
- Division into micro-trips (μ Tp)
- QC to remove abnormal μ Tps ($\approx 30\%$ points removed) :
 - μ Tps w/ missing points
 - Bad GPS signal
 - Impossible speeds and accelerations
 - Exactly zero acceleration
- Moderate filtering of remaining μ Tps

TPM Building

- Each μ Tp is quantized
- Each transition of state counts toward the transition matrix
- After normalization, we get the transition probability matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} P_{1,1} & \cdots & P_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ P_{n,1} & \cdots & P_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

Transition Probability Matrix

Technical Accomplishments

Optimal Prius PHEV Energy Management Developed Using PMP

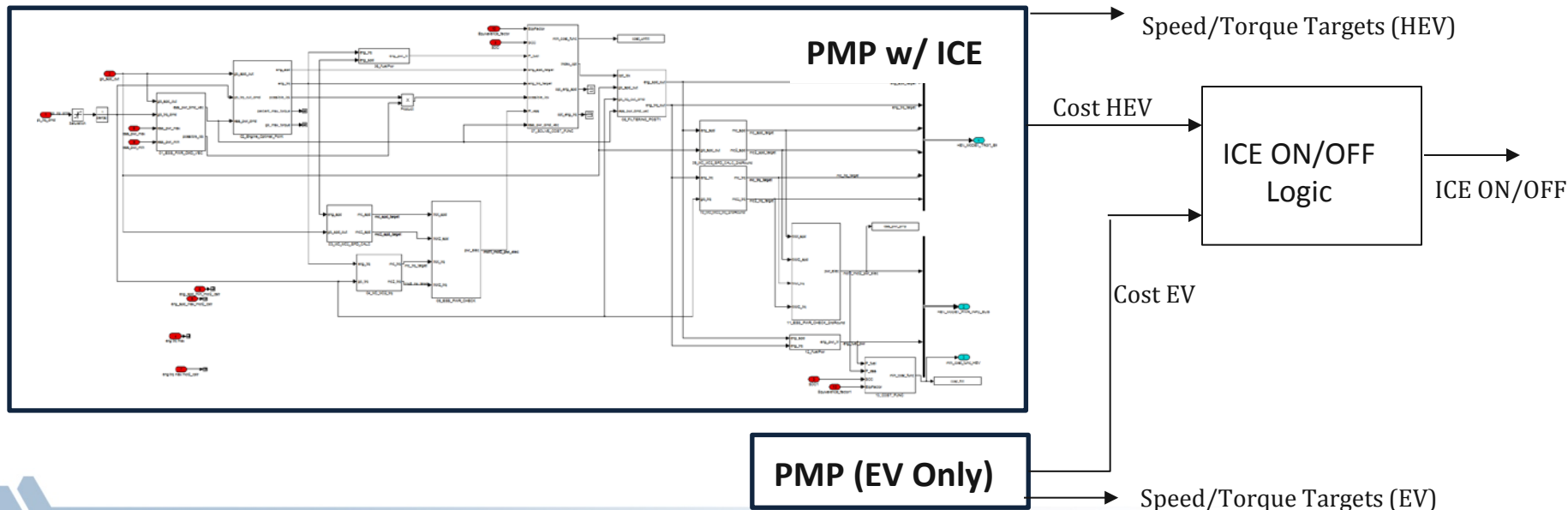
THEORY

- Optimal control strategy is based on the Pontryagin Minimization Principle (PMP)
- At each time step, we find the optimal battery power demand that minimizes instantaneous power cost

$$P_b^* = \underset{P_b}{\operatorname{argmin}} (\underbrace{P_f(P_b)}_{\substack{\text{Fuel Power} \\ \text{Function of} \\ \text{optimal operation maps}}} + \underbrace{r(t)}_{\substack{\text{Equivalence} \\ \text{Factor (depends} \\ \text{on trip!)}}} \underbrace{\theta(P_b)}_{\approx 1} \underbrace{P_b}_{\substack{\text{Battery} \\ \text{Power} \\ \text{Command}}})$$

- PMP is implemented in a control strategy for Autonomie
- Uses I/Os and information flow typically found in actual vehicles

IMPLEMENTATION

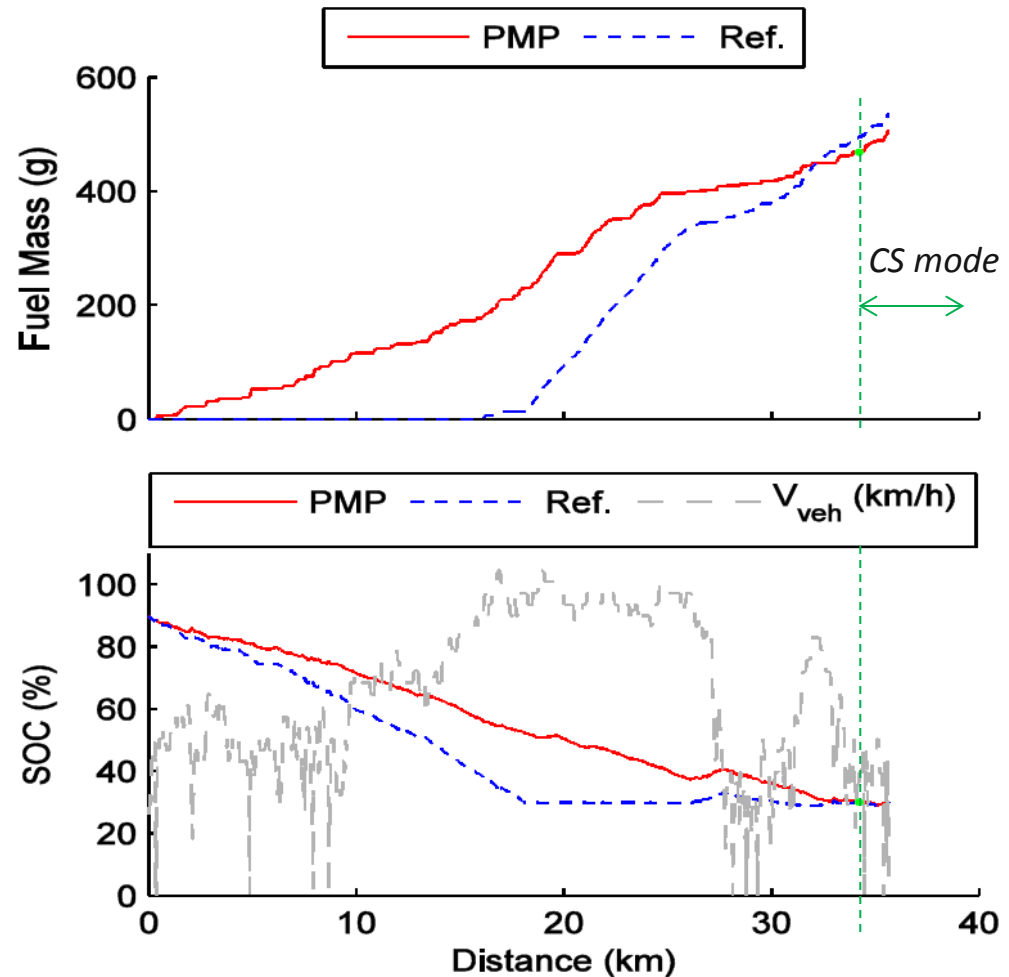


Technical Accomplishments

Benefits of Optimal Energy Management Evaluated

- Simulation environment:
Autonomie, forward-looking
- \approx **Prius 2012 PHEV**:
 - Battery: 4 kWh, 200 V, Li-ion
 - Rated all-electric range: 26 km
 - Top EV speed = 100 km/h
- Trip: 36 km, mix of urban and highway, defined in ADAS-RP
- **One itinerary, 10 stochastic predictions**
- On average $\approx 5\%$ savings

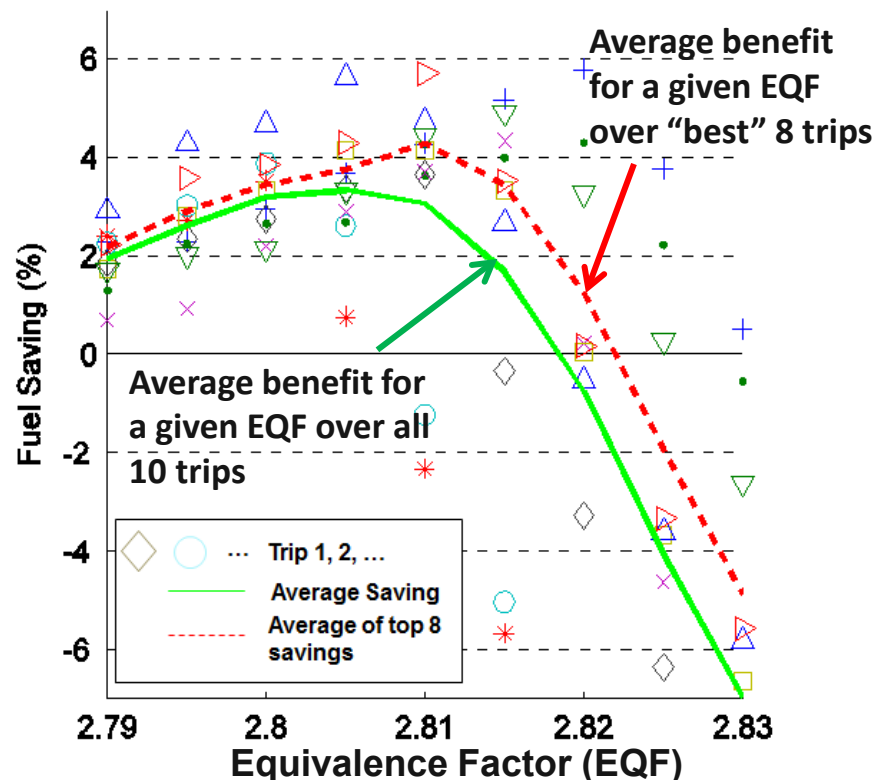
Example of operations



Technical Accomplishments

Quantifying Fuel Savings for a Stochastic Trip

- “Equivalence Factor” (EQF) links the energy management to the route
- Prediction will never match actual speed because of the stochastic nature of driving => EQF will not necessarily be optimal
- What if we use the EQF from one prediction on another



- **Design of experiments:**
 - For one itinerary, generate 10 speed predictions
 - For each speed prediction, run a range of EQFs
 - Evaluate fuel saving compared to baseline “EV+CS”
- **Plot:** 1 given shape/color = one speed prediction
- **Results:**
 - There is one EQF that would on average bring benefits for all trips
 - Too high EQF leads to not fully discharged battery and higher fuel consumption
- **Future studies:**
 - same but at much larger;
 - deduct EQF-itinerary relationships.

Collaboration and Coordination with Other Institutions

- **HERE (NOKIA)***
 - Provided a free demo license of ADAS-RP, including detailed road information and traffic patterns.
 - Provided support to process their data.
- **Argonne's Transportation Research and Analysis Computing Center (TRACC)**
 - Provided expertise in understanding traffic dynamics
 - Participated in stochastic tool development.
- **OEMs:** discussions with R&D engineers

**Formerly NAVTEQ*

Proposed Future Work

FY 2014

- **Improve performance and reusability of speed prediction tool:**
 - Evaluate techniques to make speed generation faster: different random variable definition, clustering, space-domain, etc.
 - Make the code more reusable
 - **Generate hundreds of itineraries** and for each of them tens of speed predictions for use in **large-scale studies**.
- **Evaluate the sensitivity of route-based energy management** to trip prediction on a larger scale.

FY 2015 and beyond (proposed)

- More on trip prediction:
 - Implement functionality to automatically generate trips **matching user-defined distributions**; could be used for other DOE studies.
 - Integrate real-world trips from **other real-world trip databases** (Atlanta, Austin, etc.).
 - Evaluate speed prediction in real-world situations.
- More on route-based optimal energy management:
 - Evaluate optimal control on Argonne's **engine-in-the-loop** (thermal effects, emissions, etc.).
 - Integrate **thermal aspects** into optimization.
 - Evaluate benefits for other applications (**trucks**, buses, etc.) and **configurations** (parallel, etc.).

Summary

- Argonne's research covers all the aspects of route-based control
 - **Stochastic speed prediction** for a given itinerary, using data from a GIS (HERE's ADAS-RP).
 - **Optimal PHEV energy management** strategy that depends on the route (the equivalence factor) implemented in **Autonomie**.
 - We use information that can be obtained in a modern car TODAY.
- Preliminary results show **fuel savings are to be expected**; larger study to provide better estimation.
- Argonne's research will have impacts beyond Prius-like PHEV:
 - Can be applied to **other platforms**: commercial vehicles, HEVs, etc.
 - Stochastic trip generation can be used to generate "**custom**" **drive cycles**; can be used for VTO studies or by OEMs for powertrain sizing and design
- Potential future applications:
 - **Route optimization** and **fleet planning**
 - **EV range prediction**
 - Energy optimization of **automated vehicles**

Back-up Slides



Combining Markov Chains and Geographical Information

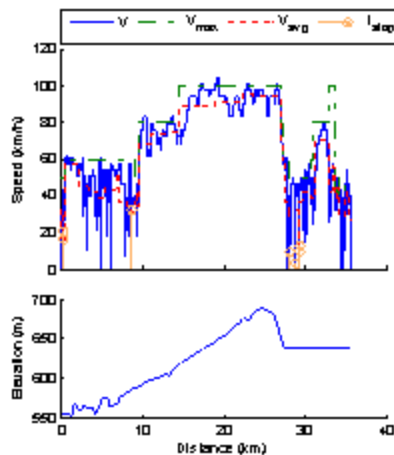
Itinerary in GIS (ADAS-RP)



Raw Data Formatting + Segmentation

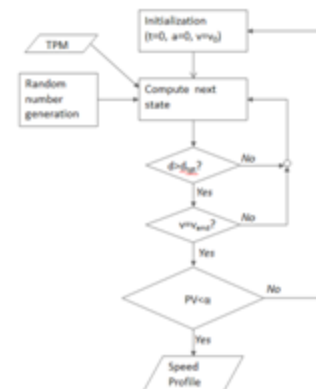


Synthesized Trip



Iterative Stochastic Generation for each Segment

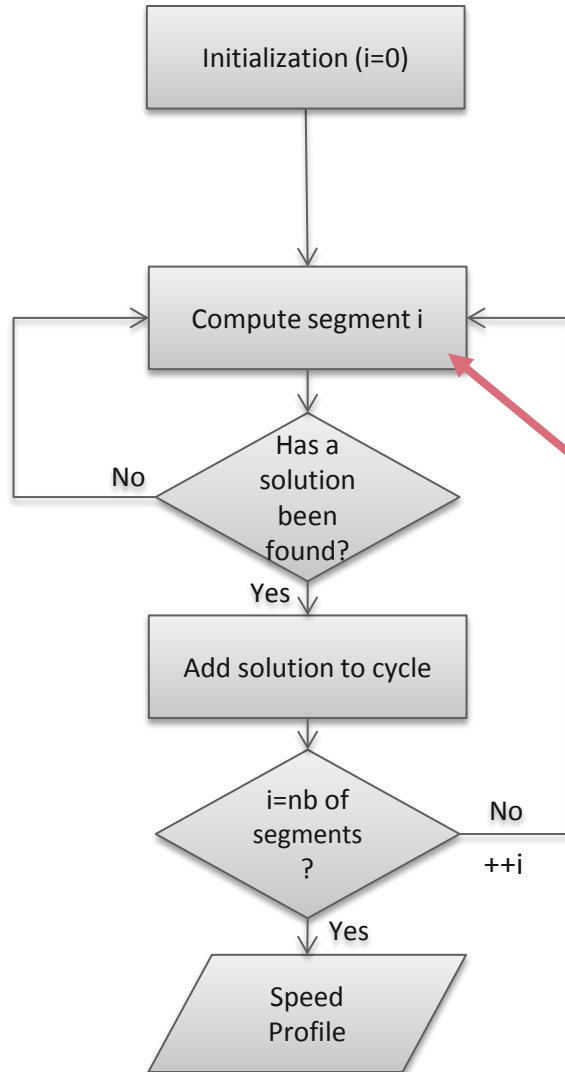
for segment= 1 to n



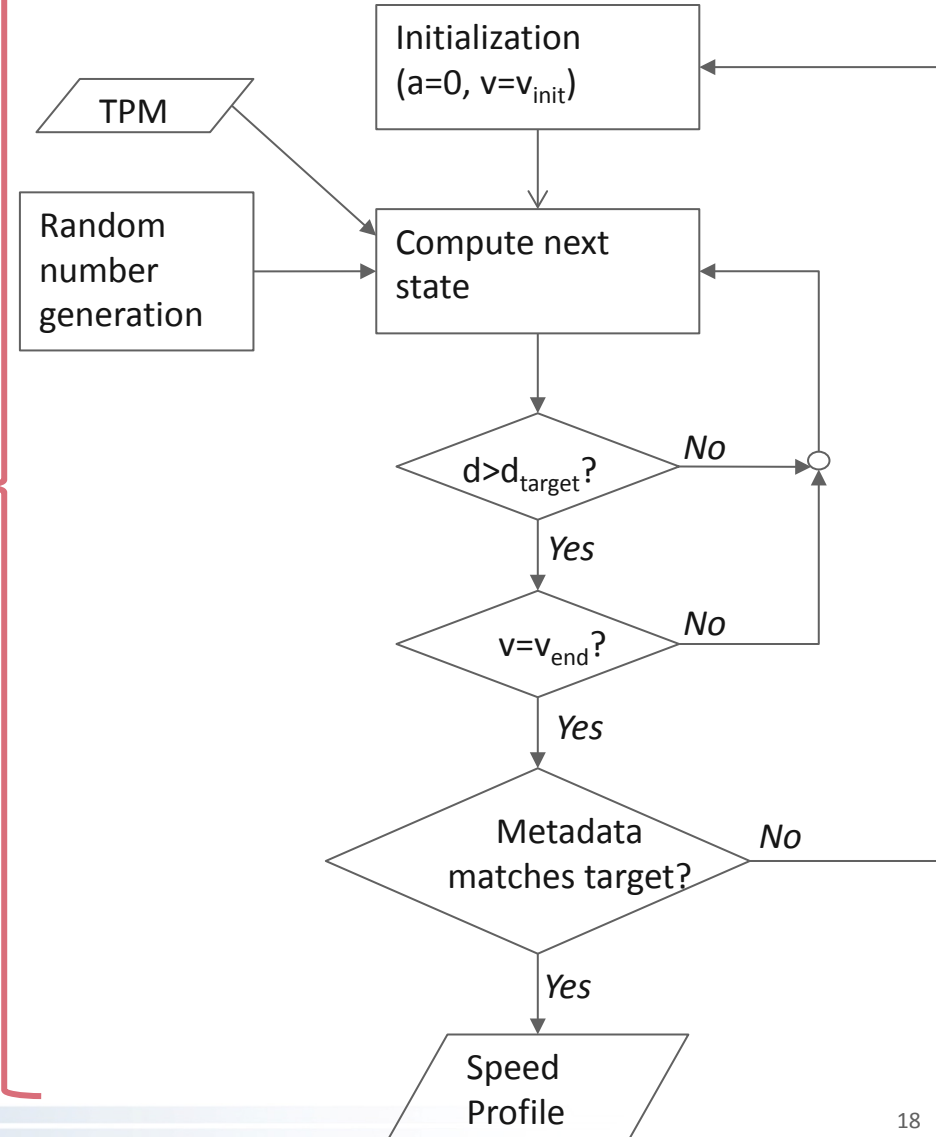
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Algorithm to Generate Speed Profiles

Main Algorithm



Segment Generation Algorithm (with Markov Chain)



Route-Based Control with PMP: How the Equivalence Factor Depends on the Trip

