

# Traction Drive System Modeling

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# Overview

## Timeline

- Start – FY13
- Finish – FY15
- 22% complete

## Budget

- Total project funding
  - DOE share – 100%
- Funding for FY12: \$ 0K
- Funding for FY13: \$750 K

## Barriers

- Optimum operation of the traction drive system (TDS) not the component.
- More detailed simulation of TDS in a vehicle simulation.
- Improved cost and efficiency.

## Targets Addressed

- Traction Drive System
  - Cost: \$8/kW (2020 target)
  - Efficiency > 94% (2020 target)

## Partners

- Madhu Chinthavali, Tim Burress, Curt Ayers, Omer Onar, David Smith (ORNL), Sreekant Narumanchi (NREL), Argonne National Laboratory

# Project Objective

- **Overall Objective**

- To reduce the TDS cost and increase its efficiency in the overall traction drive system torque-speed working space.
- To develop complementary detailed TDS model that can be incorporated in Autonomie Simulation Software.

- **FY13 Objective**

- To develop a baseline circuit simulation model – 2012 Nissan LEAF Traction Drive
- To find the high energy throughput points of a 2012 Nissan LEAF traction drive over the Combined Driving Schedule (CDS) which is formed by adding five driving schedules in series (UDDS+US06+HWFET+LA92+UDDS).

# Milestones

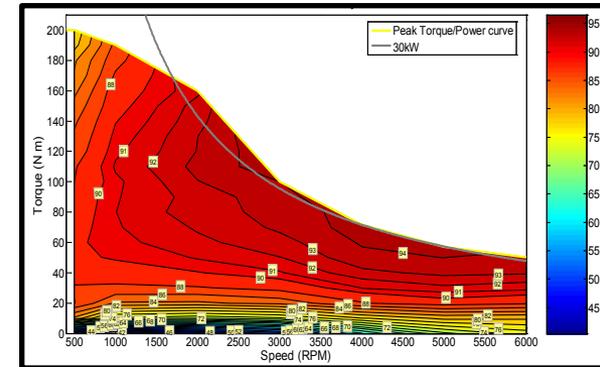
Date	Milestones and Go/No-Go Decisions	Status
Sept-2013	<u>Milestone</u> : Completed 2012 Nissan LEAF full traction drive system model.	On track.
Sept-2013	<u>Go/No-Go decision</u> : The successful completion of the traction drive system models.	

# Approach/Strategy

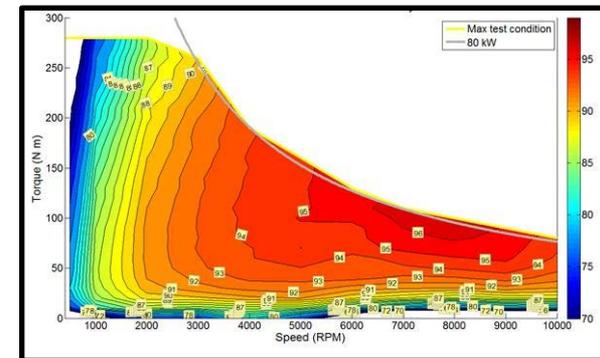
## 1- Top-down approach...

**A.** Use vehicle system simulation runs to determine the most optimum traction drive parameters and refine the component performance requirements.

- Form a combined driving schedule (CDS) using UDDS, US06, HWFET, LA92, and UDDS in a row.
- Run the Nissan LEAF simulation on Autonomie over CDS and record the results as the baseline for this project.
- Analyze the operating points of the inverter and the motor and identify the most frequent operating points.
- Inform the APEEM PIs to modify their power electronics and motor designs considering these frequent operating points for more efficient results.



2011 Hyundai Sonata motor efficiency map



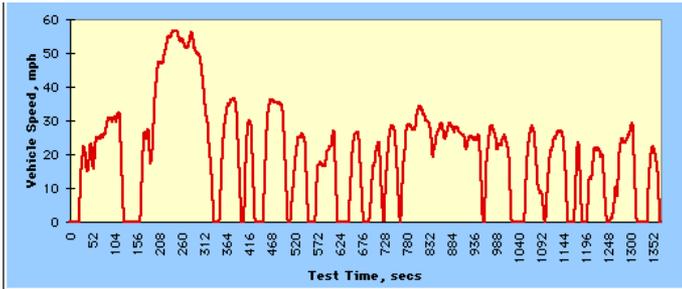
2012 Nissan LEAF motor efficiency map

# Approach/Strategy

## Five cycles to form the Combined Driving Schedule (CDS)

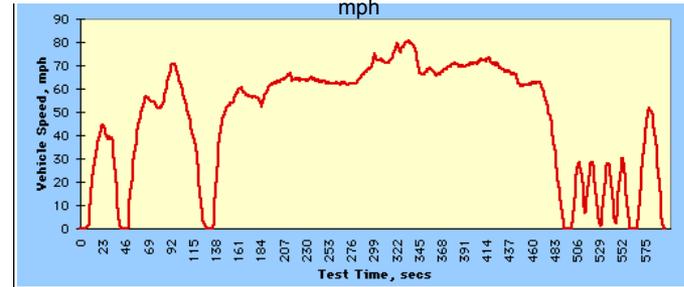
EPA Urban Dynamometer Driving Schedule

Length=1369 sec; Distance=7.45 mi; Average speed=19.59 mph



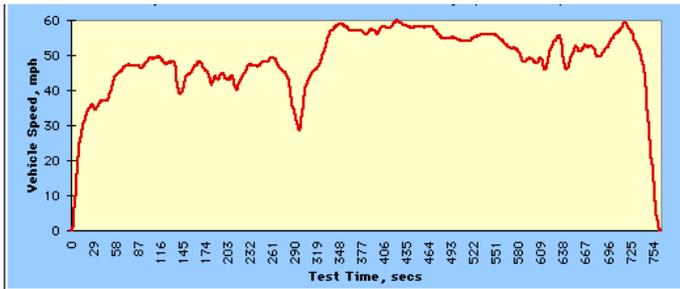
US06 or Supplemental FTP Driving Schedule

Sample Period=596 sec; Distance=8.01 mi; Average speed= 48.37 mph



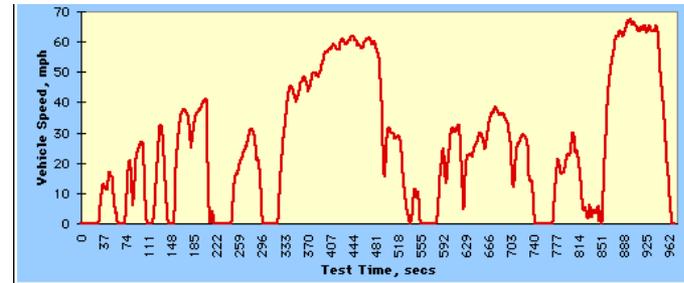
EPA Highway Fuel Economy Test Driving Schedule

Length=765 sec; Distance=10.26 mi; Average speed=48.3 mph



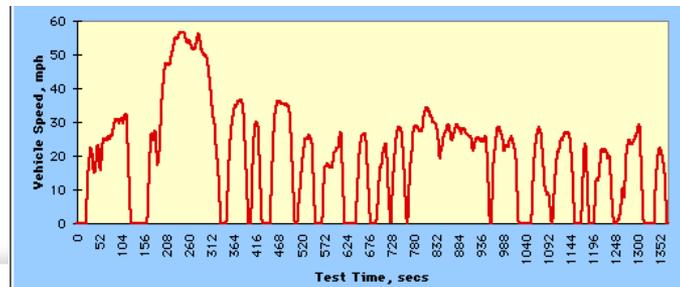
LA92Short "Unified" Dynamometer Driving Schedule

Sample Period=969 sec; Distance=6.99 mi; Average speed=25.97 mph



EPA Urban Dynamometer Driving Schedule

Length=1369 sec; Distance=7.45 mi; Average speed=19.59 mph

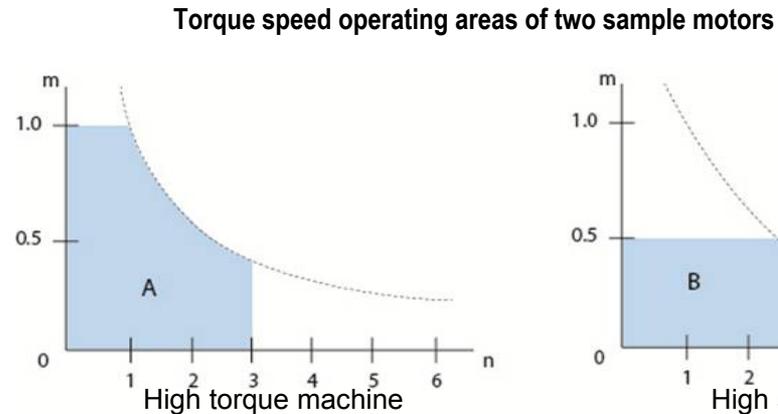
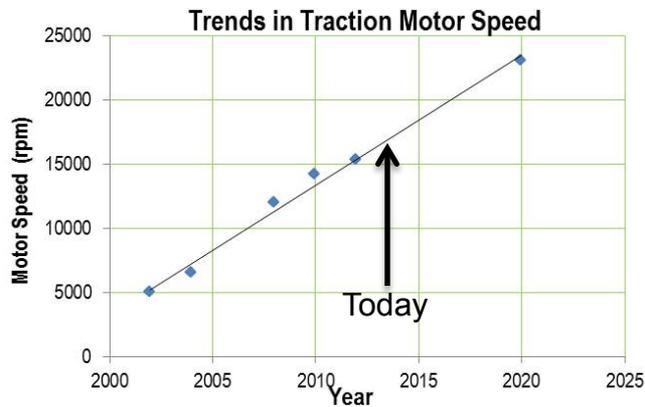


Plots from EPA.gov

# Approach/Strategy

**B.** Two main traction drive parameters that will impact the efficiency and the cost of a traction drive system are the dc link voltages and motor speeds.

- Run the Autonomie simulation for dc link voltages in the range of 650 V and 1300 V and for motor speeds greater than 20,000 rpm.
- Compare the efficiency and bill of materials (BOM) cost results and identify the most optimum dc link voltage and motor speed combinations.
- Inform the APEEM PIs to modify their power electronics and motor designs considering these new parameters.



# Approach/Strategy

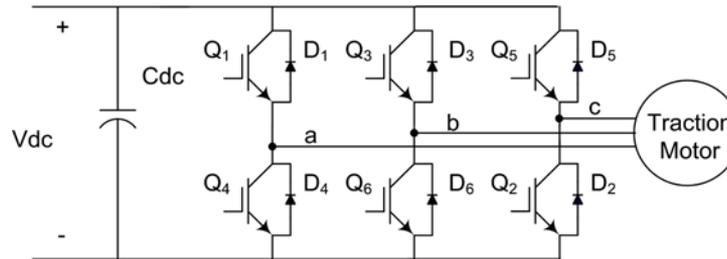
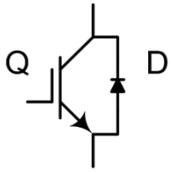
## 2 - Circuit level simulation approach...

Use circuit level simulation software to model the traction drive system independent of the vehicle system to verify the optimum operation of the traction drive components and their dynamic responses.

- Develop a circuit level simulation model of the traction drive with the inverter and motor, basic models for the battery and the mechanical system for the motor, and a boost converter if needed.
- Run the model and evaluate the dynamic interaction between the components.
- Update the model to include the models of any new traction drive components designed by APEEM PIs and evaluate their performances and efficiencies.
- Using this data, develop models that will be uploaded to Autonomie to validate the performance of the new components on the vehicle system level.

# Approach/Strategy

## Summary of the Modeling and Simulation Strategy



### PSpice

Device Modeling

Sampling time  $\sim 1\text{ns}$

Combined Driving Schedule: 5543s

$5.543 \times 10^{12}$  sampling points

### PLECS

Circuit Simulation

(Simulation Sampling Time =  $1\mu\text{s}$ )

Combined Driving Schedule: 5543s

$5.543 \times 10^9$  sampling points

### Autonomie

Vehicle Simulation

(Simulation Sampling Time =  $0.1\text{s}$ )

Combined Driving Schedule: 5543s

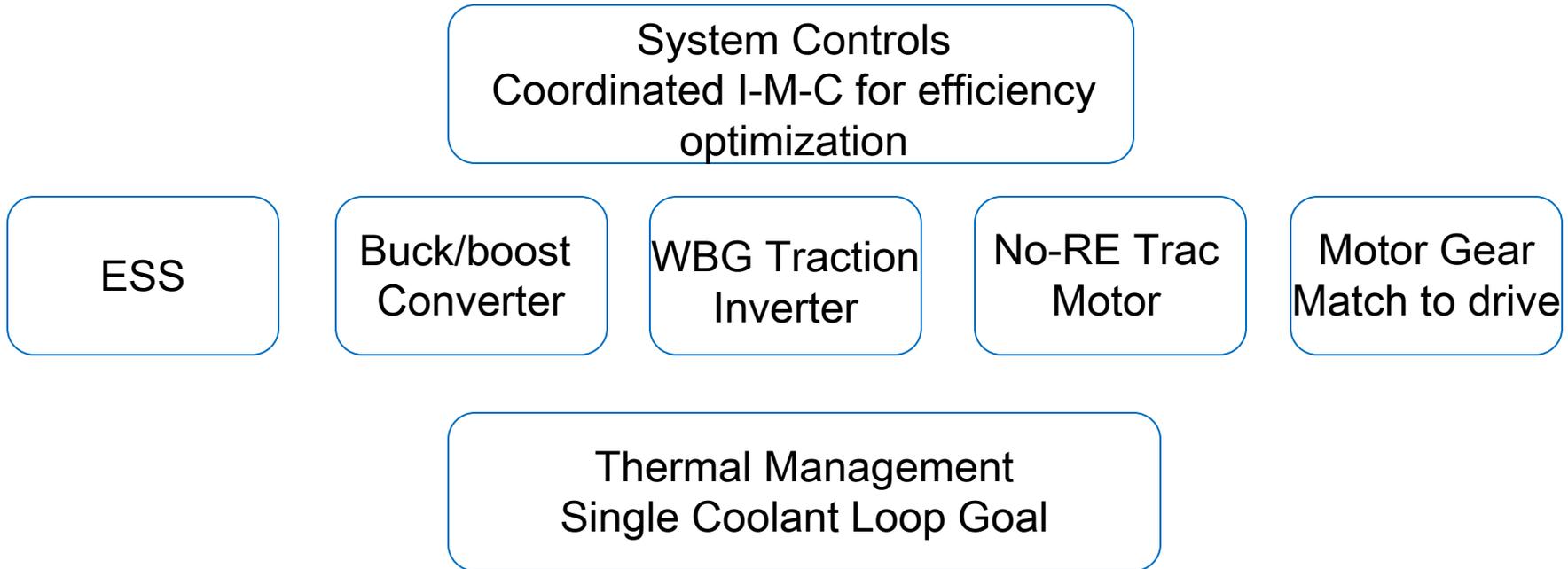
55430 sampling points

## Focusing on

- Traction Drive System (TDS) modeling with PLECS
- TDS performance analysis using Autonomie

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

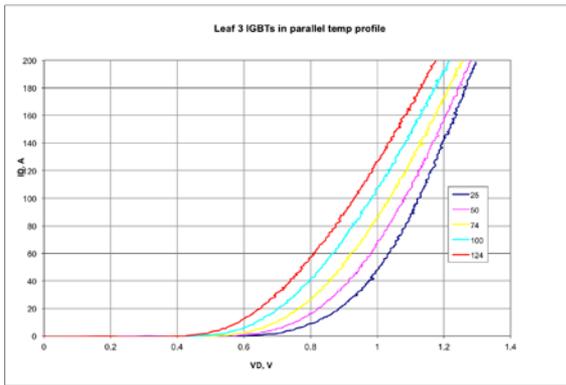
- All the pieces have to fit and are complementary
- *Focus on the interfaces and what adjacent sub-systems require*



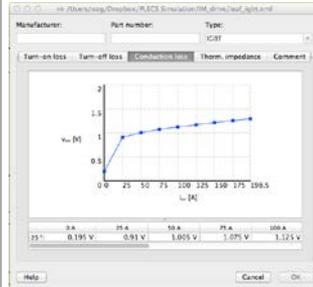
# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

- Baseline 2012 Nissan LEAF TDS modeling - Inverter

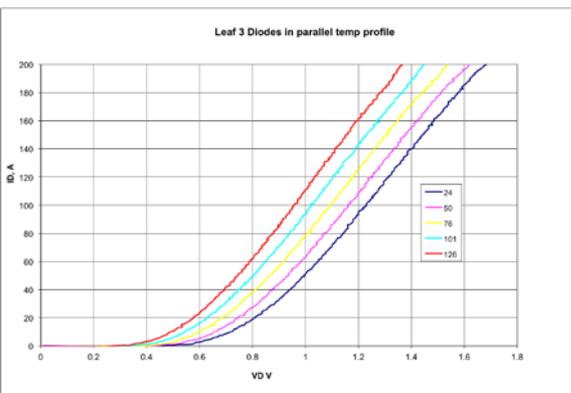
- Tested and characterized the 2012 Nissan LEAF IGBTs and diodes for conduction and switching losses.
- Inserted the loss data into the PLECS device models.



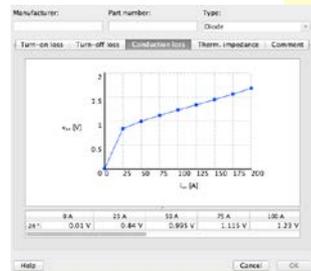
Nissan LEAF IGBT IV curve



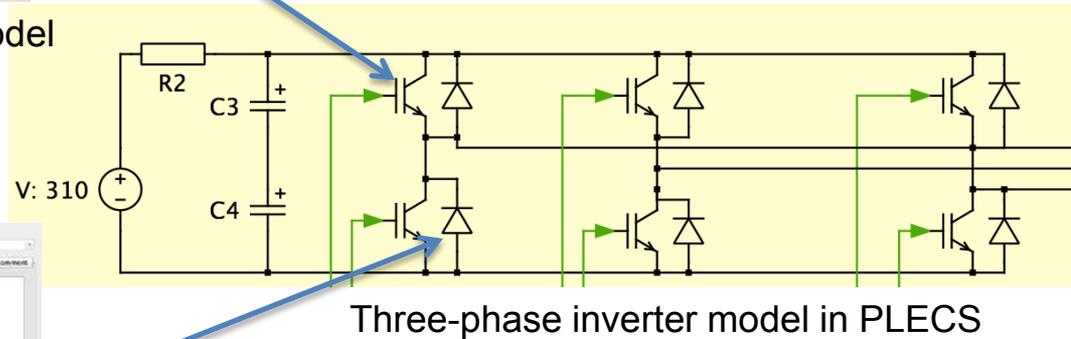
PLECS IGBT model



Nissan LEAF diode IV curve



PLECS diode model

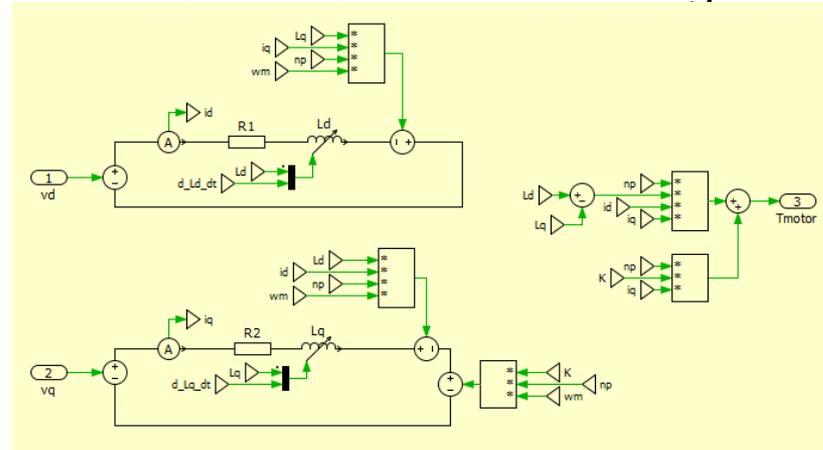


Three-phase inverter model in PLECS

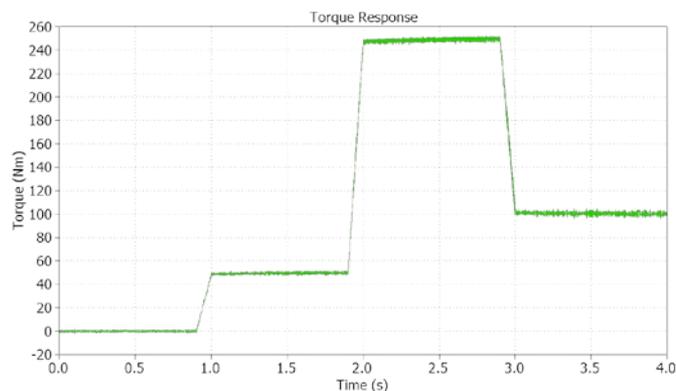
# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

- Baseline Nissan LEAF TDS modeling - Motor

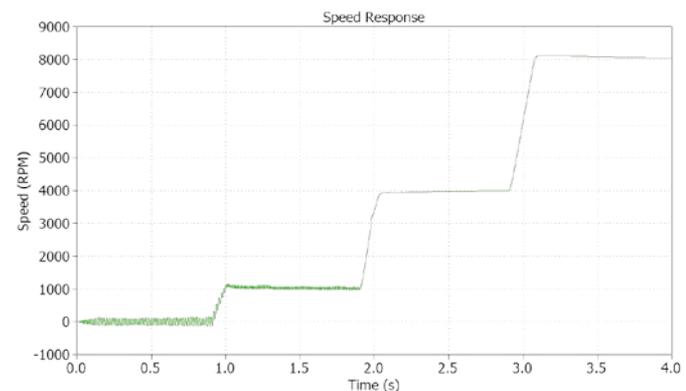
Developed a Nissan LEAF motor model in PLECS using the benchmarking test results.



Nissan LEAF motor model in PLECS



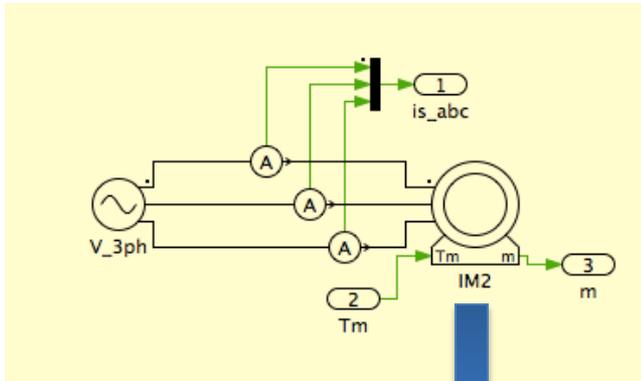
Nissan LEAF motor torque response



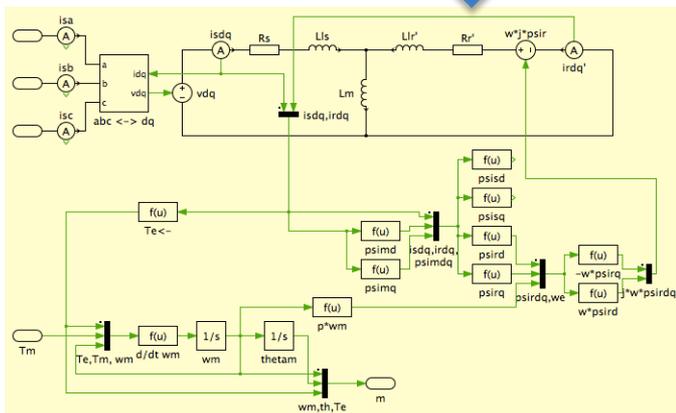
Nissan LEAF motor speed response

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

- Simulated a high speed induction machine



PLECS Induction Machine Model



## Induction machine parameters

Induction Machine (Squirrel-Cage) (mask) (link)

Three phase squirrel-cage induction machine. The input signal  $T_m$  represents the mechanical torque, in Nm. The vectorized output signal of width 3 contains

- the rotational speed  $\omega_m$ , in rad/s
- the mechanical rotor position  $\theta_m$ , in rad
- the electrical torque  $T_e$ , in Nm.

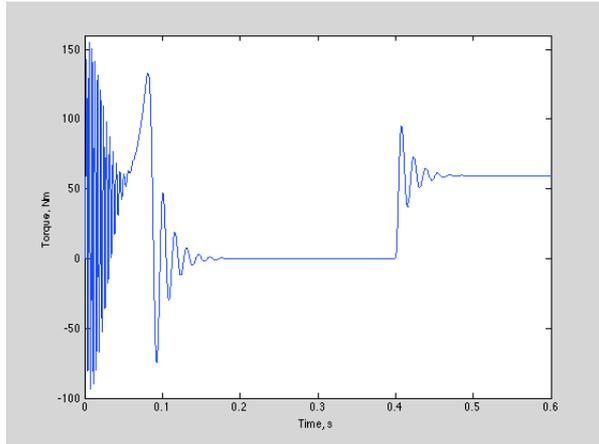
All parameters and electrical quantities are referred to the stator side.

### Parameters

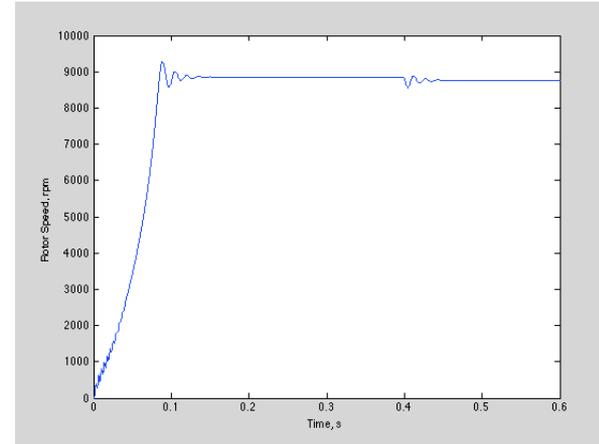
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# Technical Accomplishments and Progress

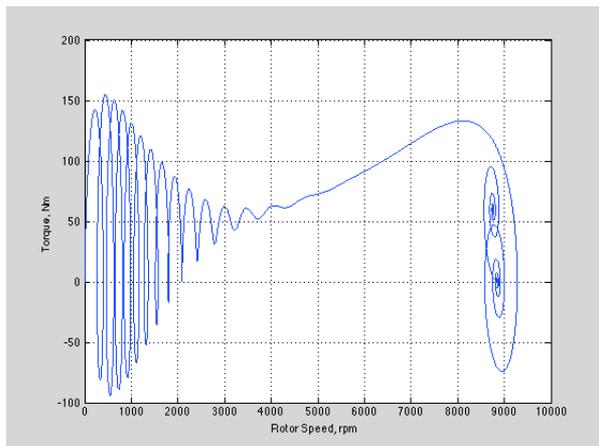
- High Speed Induction Machine Modeling - Direct start results



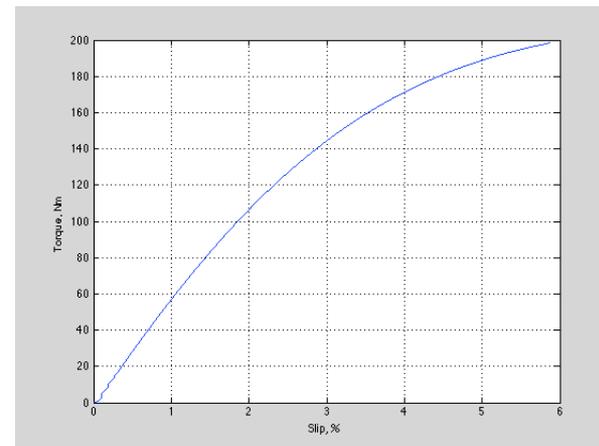
Torque response



Speed response



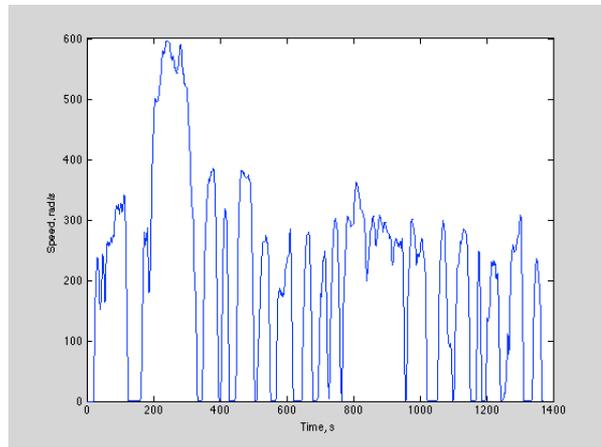
Torque speed curve



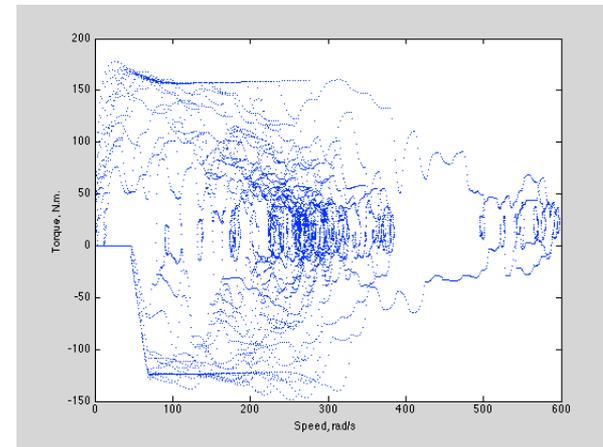
Torque slip curve

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress - UDDS

- 2012 Nissan LEAF model was simulated in Autonomie over all of the four driving schedules and the combined driving schedule (CDS).
- The urban dynamometer driving schedule (UDDS) appears at the beginning and at the end of CDS.
- The torque vs. speed plot shows three different regions.



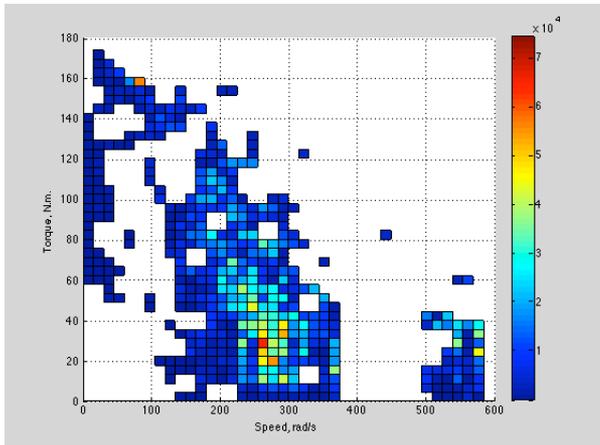
Motor Speed Plot



Traction Motor Torque vs Speed Plot

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress - UDDS

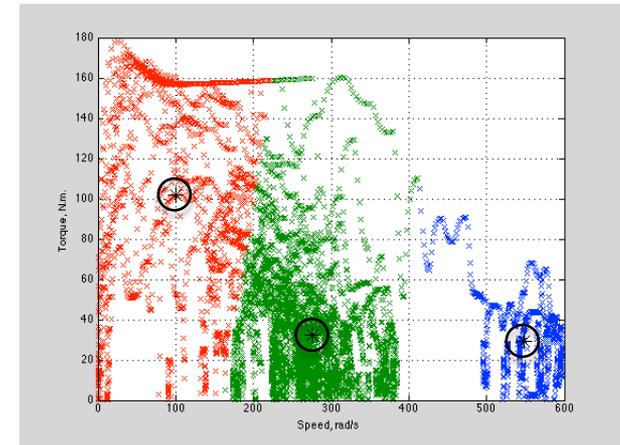
- Energy Histogram: Dividing the torque and speed values in motoring only region into 40 different bins results in 1600 energy bins. Energy was calculated by averaging the power in these bins.
- Clustering: Using k-means theory, the operating points were classified into three clusters.



Traction Motor Torque Speed Plot  
High Energy Throughput with 1600 bins  
-Energy Histogram-

Speed (rad/s)	Torque (N.m.)
548	29.3
275.4	32.4
100.3	102

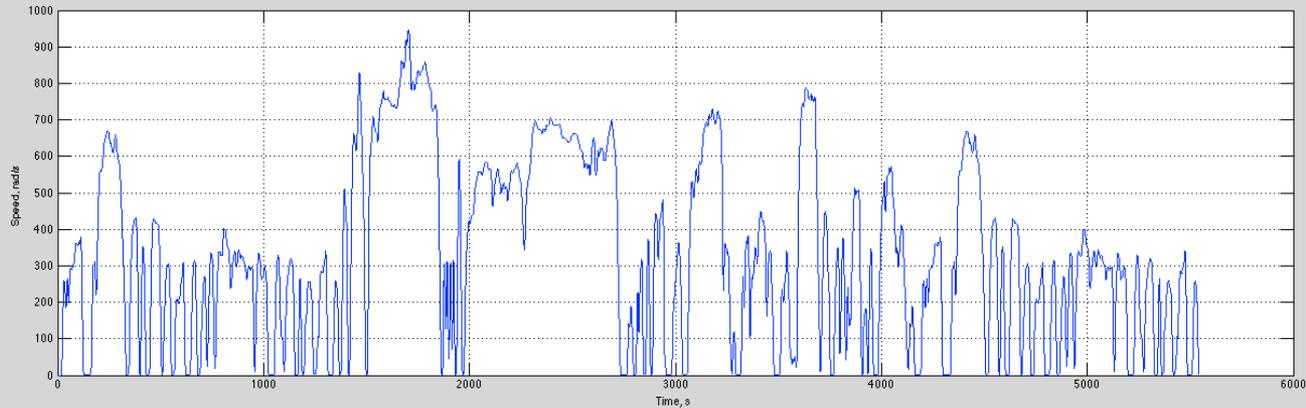
Cluster Centers



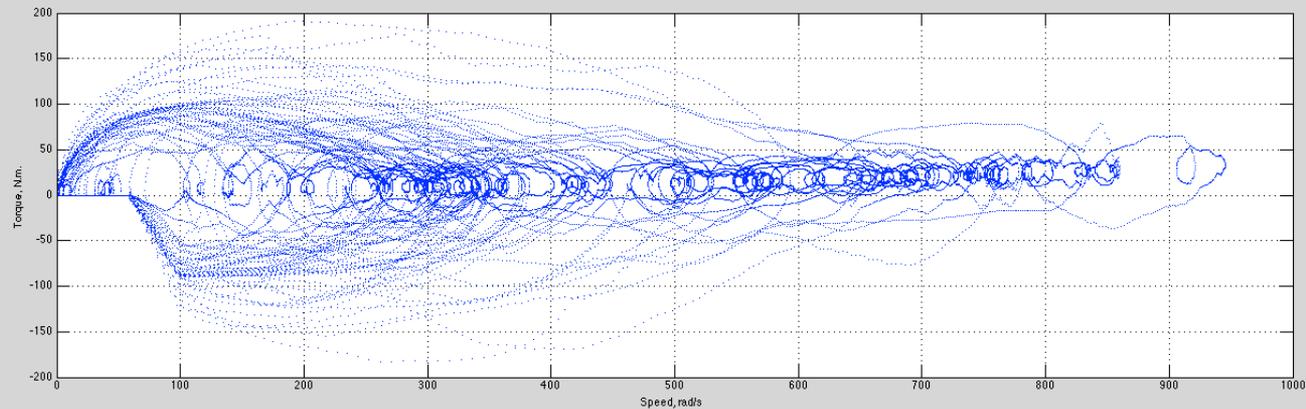
Traction Motor Torque Speed Plot  
with three clusters  
-Clustering-

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress - CDS

- The torque vs. speed plot shows three different regions in the motoring mode with most of the activity.



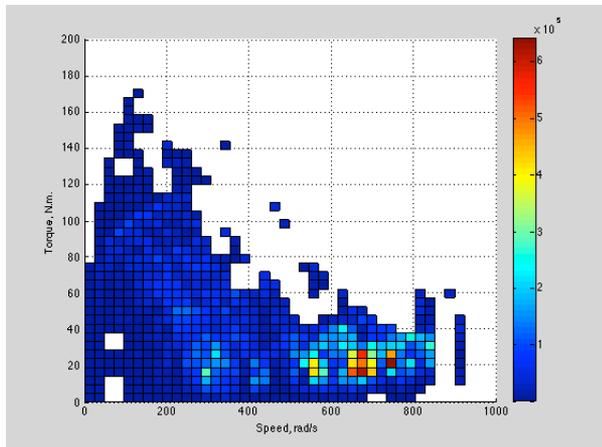
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Traction Motor Torque vs Speed Plot

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress - CDS

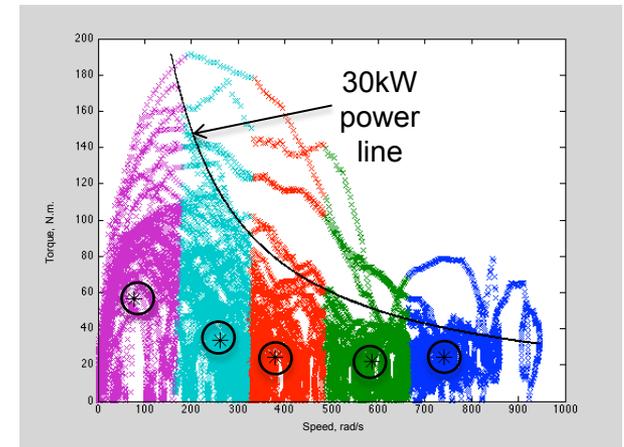
- Energy Histogram: Dividing the torque and speed values in motoring only region into 40 different bins results in 1600 energy bins. Energy was calculated by averaging the power in these bins.
- Clustering: Using k-means theory, the operating points were classified into five clusters.



Traction Motor Torque Speed Plot  
High Energy Throughput with 1600 bins  
-Energy Histogram-

Speed (rad/s)	Torque (N.m.)
741.7	24.2
586.5	21.8
380.1	24
262.2	33.7
76.1	56.3

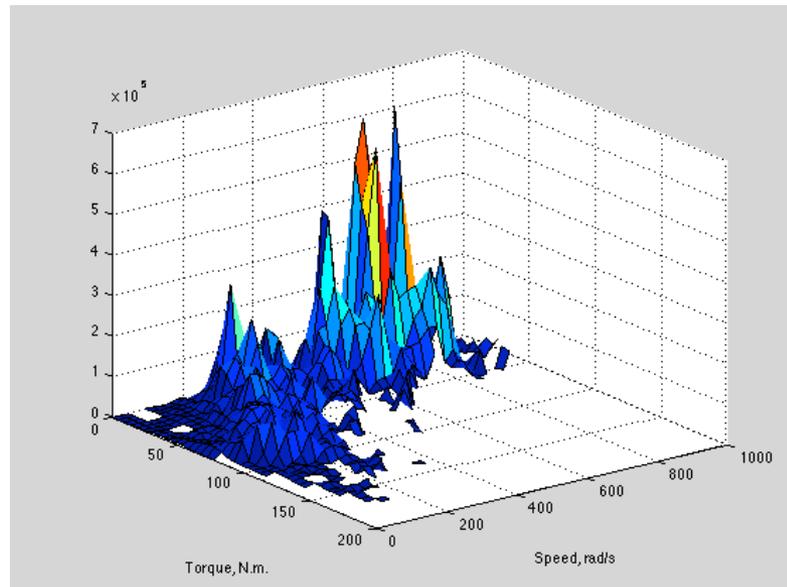
Cluster Centers



Traction Motor Torque Speed Plot  
with three clusters  
-Clustering-

# Technical Accomplishments and Progress - CDS

- The 3D energy histogram plot shows a concentration of high energy throughput peaks around
  - low torque high speed areas and
  - low speed medium torque areas.



- The traction drive has to be efficient in these operation areas.

# Collaboration and Coordination

Organization	Type of Collaboration/Coordination
National Renewable Energy Laboratory	Thermal management system modeling and simulation.
Argonne National Laboratory	Autonomie software information exchange and coordination.
ORNL Vehicle Systems Program	Autonomie consulting



# Proposed Future Work

- **Remainder of FY13**

- Perform full TDS simulation and show opportunities for cost optimization benefit.
- Provide TDS operating targets to the power electronics and electric motors areas in the APEEM program.
- Complete the TDS model in a circuit simulator and simulate the new APEEM developed concepts.

- **FY14**

- Update the TDS model with new power electronics and electric motor designs.

# Summary

- **Relevance**
  - More detailed traction drive system simulation models are required in AEV system level simulations.
  - The focus is on the optimum operation of the TDS not the components.
  - High energy throughput areas have to be identified to design the TDS for better performance.
- **Approach:** Develop and run circuit and vehicle level models of the TDS to optimize the TDS performance.
- **Collaborations:** NREL will be developing the thermal models for the TDS and ANL will be involved in Autonomie integration.
- **Technical Accomplishments**
  - Developed component (IGBT, diode, traction motor) models for the baseline TDS system (2012 Nissan LEAF).
  - Simulated the 2012 Nissan LEAF on Autonomie and determined the first set of high energy throughput areas for traction motors.