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### Summary of Part 1 - FC HPS under test

FC HPS under test

2 Energy management strategies for FC vehicle

Advanced EMS for FC / Renewable HPS

- Real-time Optimization of FC / Renewable HPS
  - 5 Conclusions.

#### 1.1. Hybrid architecture of multi-stages type

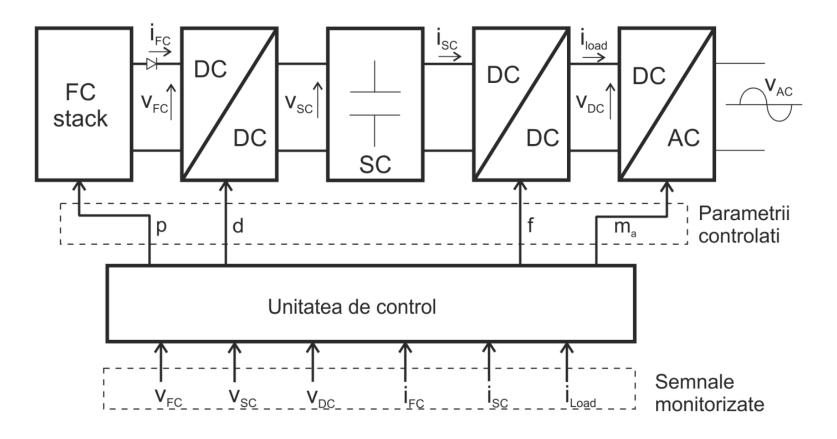


Figure 1.1. Diagram of Hybrid architecture of multi-stages type.

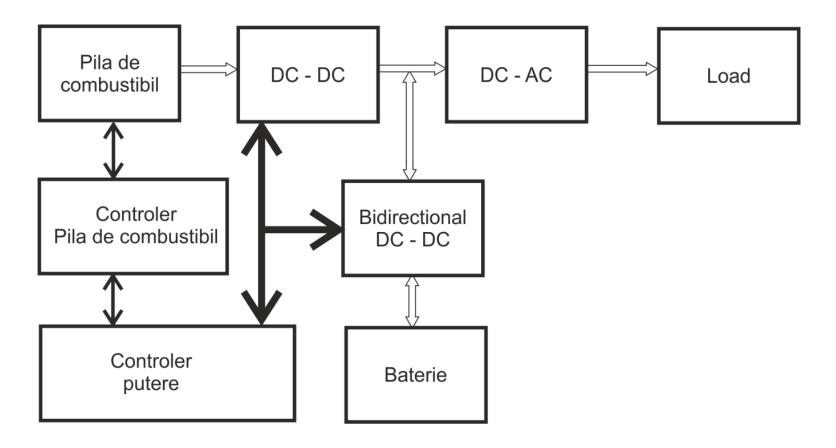


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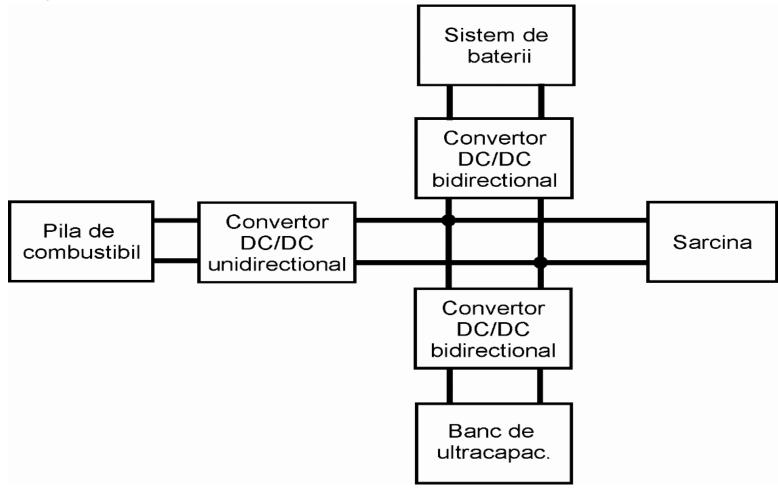


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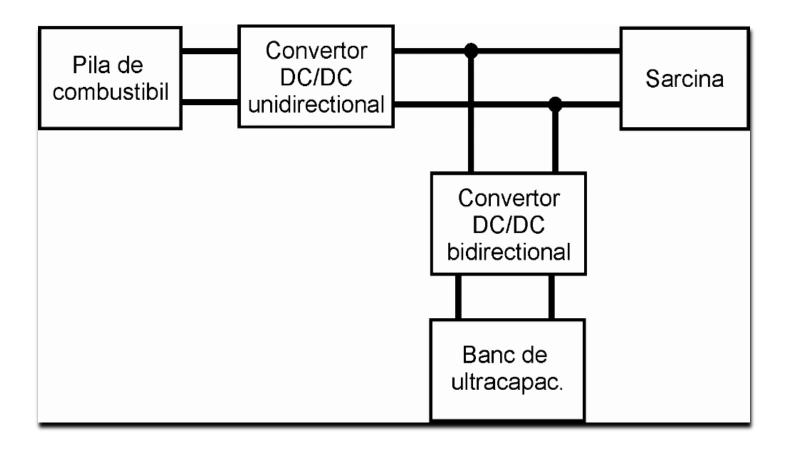


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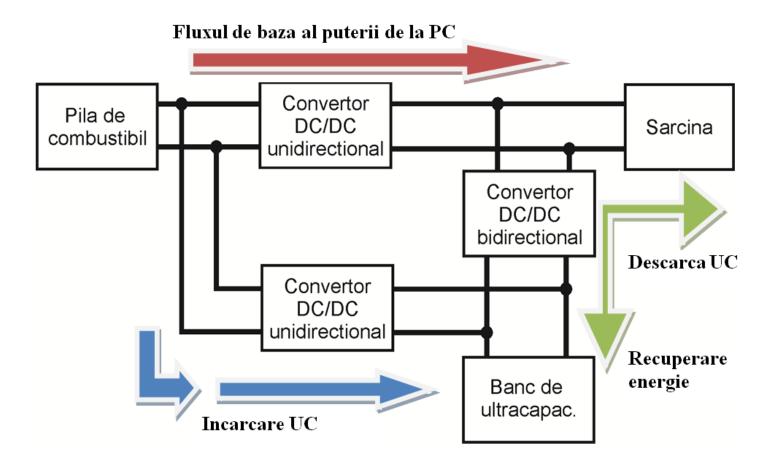


Figure 1.2d. Diagram of the Hybrid architecture with DC bus

#### 1.3. Hybrid architecture of Multiport type

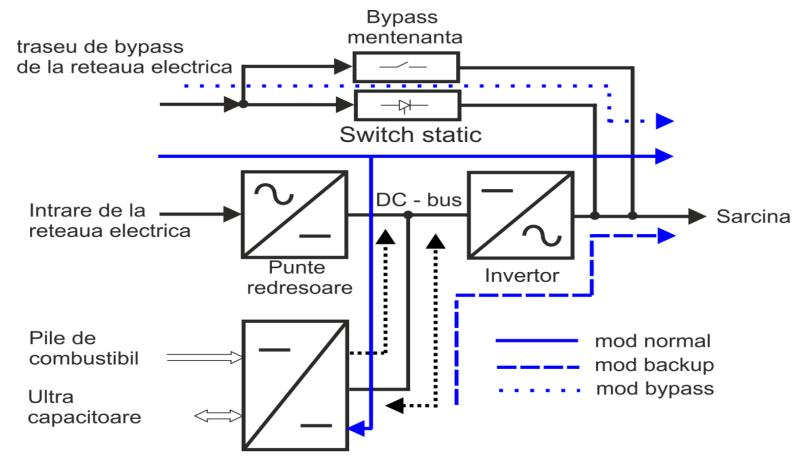
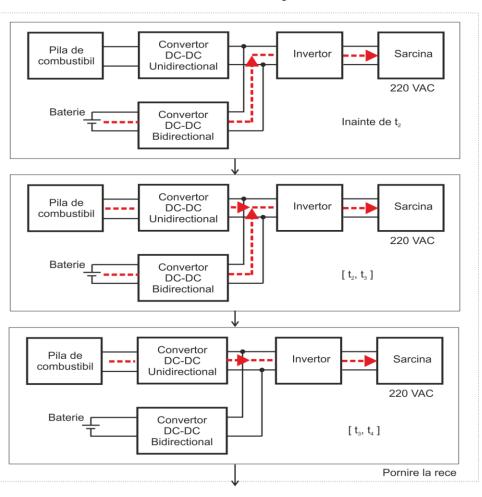


Figure 1.6. Diagram of the Hybrid UPS architecture of Multiport type

#### 2.1. Power flow in Hybrid Power Source during different operating regimes



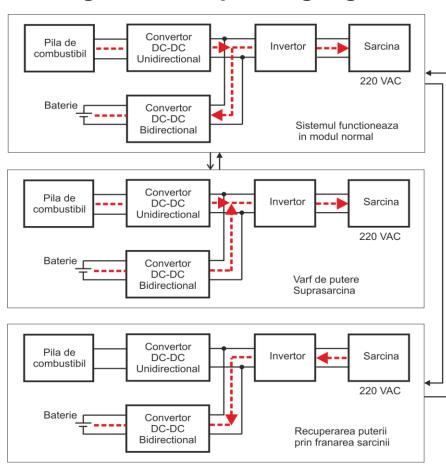


Figure 1.4. Power flow in Hybrid Power Source

#### 2.2. Ragone diagram

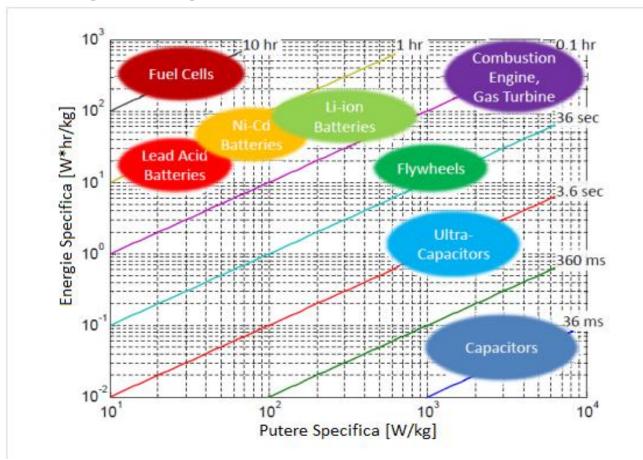
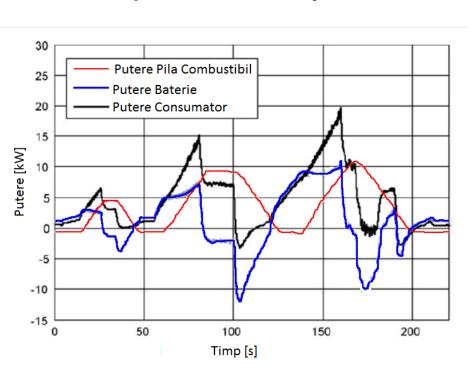


Figure 2.1. The Ragone diagram. Adapted from US Defense Logistics Agency Report [25].

#### 2.3. Experimental study for a FC vehicle (ref. 29)



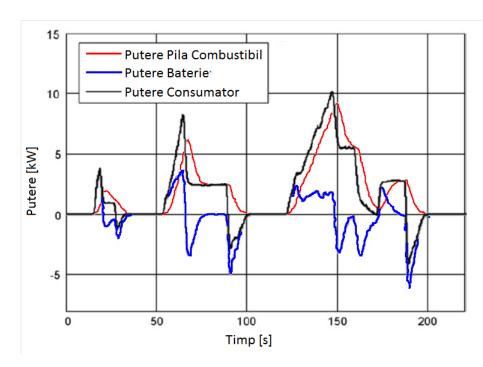


Figure 2.2. Power flow for the FC system, electrical motor and bateries stack with FC current rate limited 5A/sec

Figura 2.3. Power flow for the FC system, electrical motor and bateries stack with FC current rate limited 10A/sec

#### 2.4. Control of the electrical motor supplied from the FC system (ref. 32)

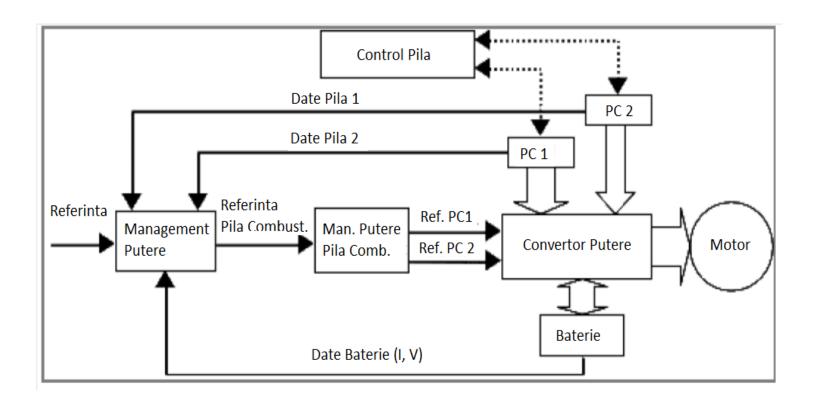


Figure 2.7. Control diagram of the electrical motor supplied from the FC system .

#### 3.1. The components of the FC HPS under test

#### 3.1.1 Ultracapacitor

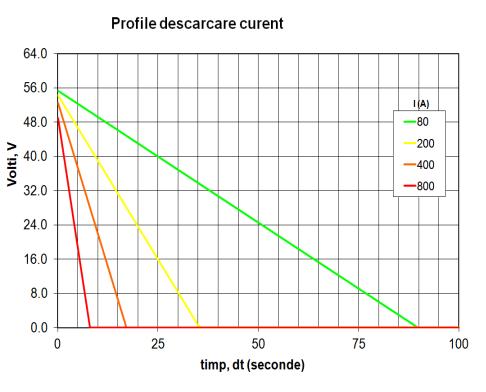


Table 3.1. Data sheet of the ultracapacitor

Maxwell	
BMODO130-P056	
56V	
130F	
8.1 mΩ la 100Amp.	
3.1 Wh/kg	
2600 W/kg	
23	
57Wh	
18kg	



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#### 3.1.2. 5 kW FC system

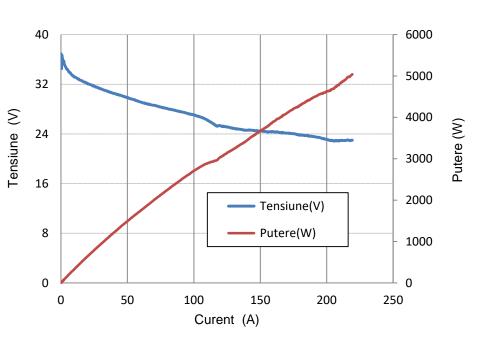


Table 3.2. Data sheet of the 5 kW FC system

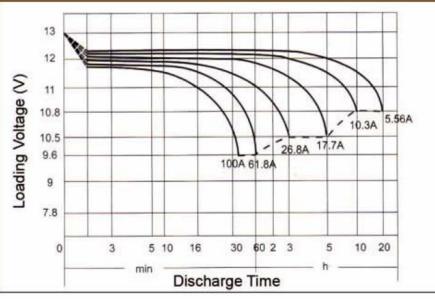
Specificații	Valoare
Zona activa	250 cm2
Ieşirea nominala	5000 W @ 36VDC
Tensiunea maxima	40 VDC
Temperatura de funcţ.	40-80 °C
Alimentarea anodului	H2 gazos cu puritate 99,99%
Alimentarea catodului	Aer ambiental
Lichidul de racire	Apa deionizata



#### 3.1. The components of the FC HPS under test

#### 3.1.3. The batteries stack: 4 x 12V-100A

### Discharge Characteristics (25° C,77°F)



	Electric	cal Sp	pecific	catio	n
Rated Capacity	20 hour rate (5.56A) 10 hour rate (10.3A) 5 hour rate (17.7A) 3 hour rate (26.8A) 1 hour rate (61,8A)	111 AH 103 AH 88,5AH 80.4AH 61,8AH	Constant- Voltage Charge	Cycle	Initial Charging Current less than 30A. Voltage 14.4 V- 15.0 V at 25°C (77°F) Temp. Corfficient -30mV/°C
Capacity affected by Temperature	40°C (104°F) 25°C (77°F) 0°C (32°F)	103% 100% 86%		Standby	No limit on Initial Charg- ing Current Voltage 13.5 V~13.8 V at 25°C (77°F) Temp. Corfficient -20mV/°C



#### 3.1. The components of the FC HPS under test

#### 3.1.4. DC/DC Converter

DC- DC Converter is produced by the Ripenergy company: model DCC5500.

Data sheet for the DC-DC converter:

Input: 23V- 35V

Output: 48-60V (controlled with input variable 0-10V)

Power: 5000 W

#### 3.1.5. Flow controllers for the air and fuel flows

Flow controllers are produced by the Brooks Instruments company: model 5850E.

Data sheet for the flow controllers:

DC voltage for supplying: 24VDC;

Control : 0 - 5 VDC;

Range for H2 : 0 250 SLPM; Range for Air: 0 – 350 SLPM;



#### 3.1. The components of the FC HPS under test

#### 3.1.6. Control and monitoring system

Control and monitoring system is based on controller cRIO-9082 with 8 NI modules:

Modul 1 citeste senzorii: are 16 canale diferentiale;

Modul 2 comanda regulatoarele de H2 si Aer;

Modul 3 comanda cele patru module DC/DC canale izola

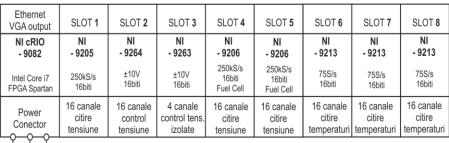
Modul 4 citeste tensiuni pe fiecare pila;

Modul 5 citeste tensiuni pe fiecare pila;

Modul 6 citeste temperaturi pe fiecare pila;

Modul 7 citeste temperaturi pe fiecare pila;

Modul 8 citeste temperaturi pe fiecare pila;

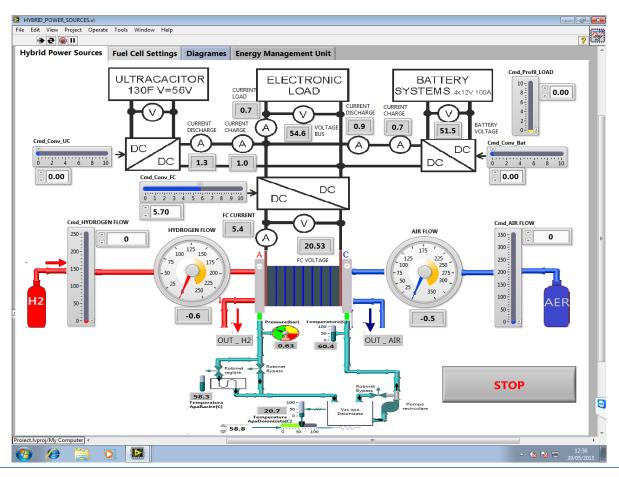


0 Vdc + 24 Vdc

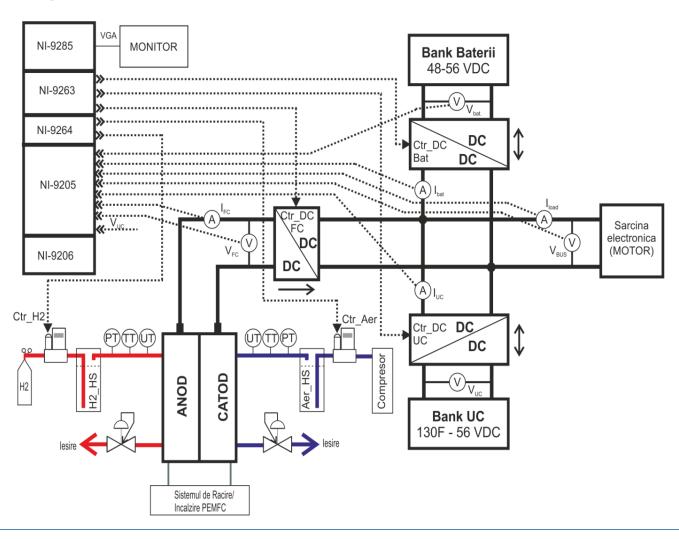


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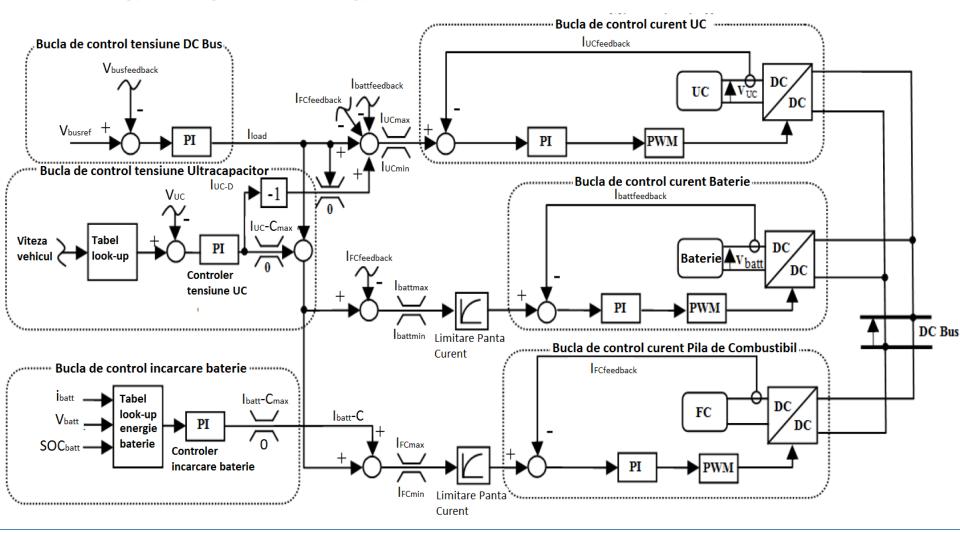
#### 3.1.7. Software interface implemented in Labview



#### 3.2. Wire diagram for the FC HPS.

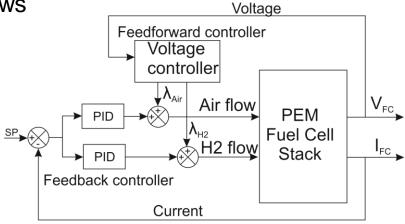


#### 3.2. Energy Management Strategy (EMS) proposed for the FC HPS.



#### 4. Preliminary experimental results.

#### Control of the fuel flows



$$\dot{m}_{H2} = \frac{P_e \times \lambda_{H2} \times V_M \times 60}{n \times F \times V_c} =$$

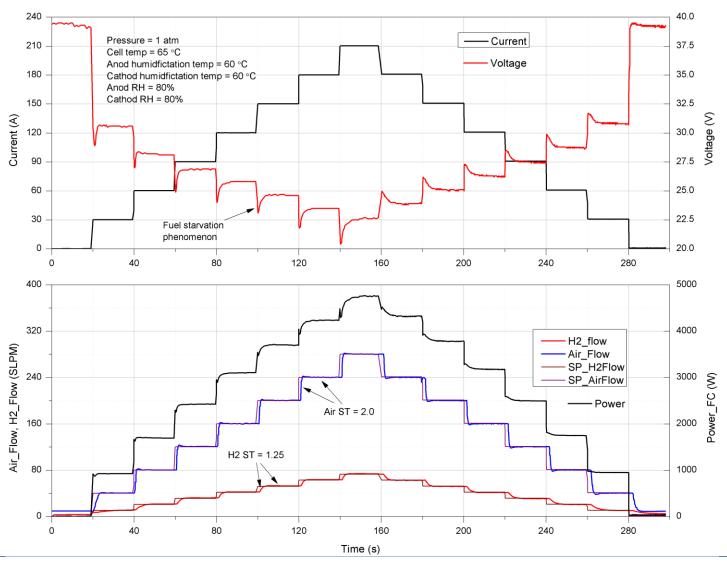
$$= \frac{5000 \times 1.2 \times 22.4 \times 60}{2 \times F \times 0.5} = 83.5 \frac{SL}{min} \qquad (1)$$

$$\dot{m}_{Air} = \frac{P_e \times \lambda_{Air} \times V_M \times 60}{0.21 \times n \times F \times V_c} =$$

$$= \frac{5000 \times 2.5 \times 22.4 \times 60}{0.21 \times 4 \times F \times 0.5} = 415 \frac{SL}{min} \qquad (2)$$

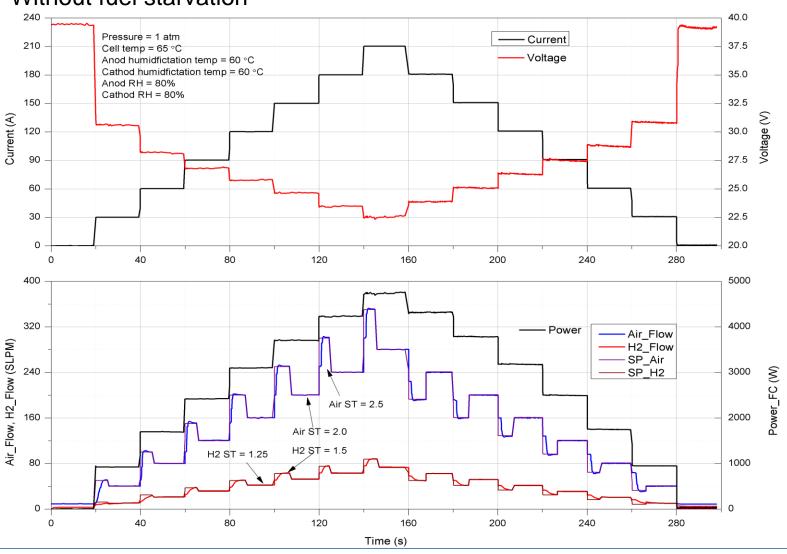
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#### With fuel starvation



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## Summary of Part 2 – Energy efficiency of the FC HPS

- Series (MPSs), parallel (MPCp) and Multiport Power Concerter (MPC) architectures of the FC Hybrid Power Source (FC HPS)
- Energy efficiency of the MPCp, MPCs, and MPC FC HPS
- FC Hybrid Power Source (FC HPS) under test.

- 4 Preliminary experimental results.
  - **5** Conclusions.

#### 1.1. Architecture of the FC HPS

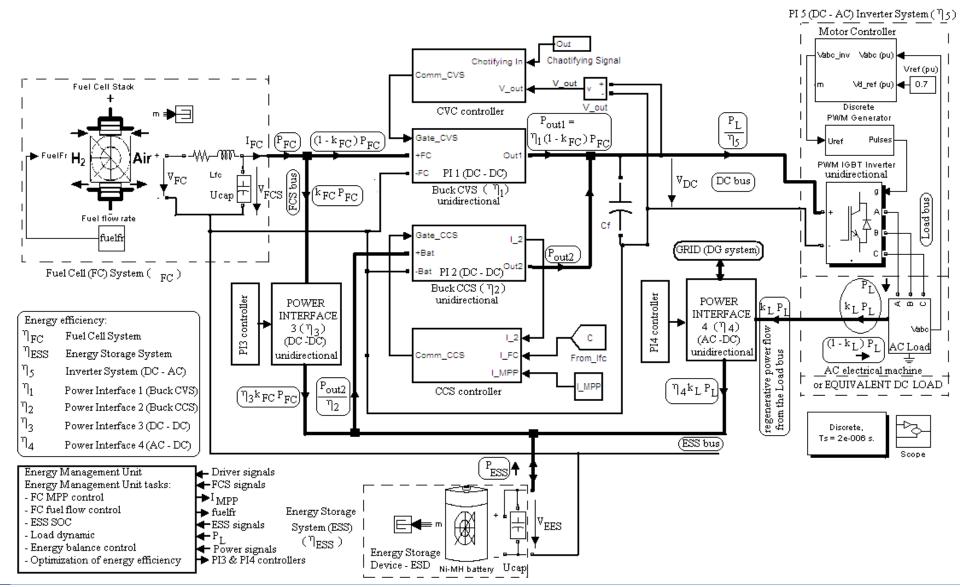


Figure 1.1. Diagram of FC HPS architecture

#### 1.2. Parallel FC HPS architecture

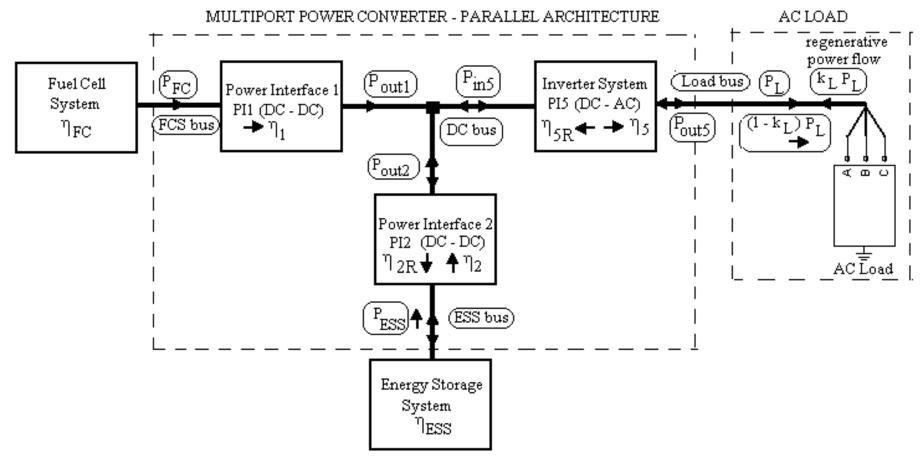


Figure 1.2. Diagram of the parallel FC HPS architecture

#### 1.3. Series FC HPS architecture

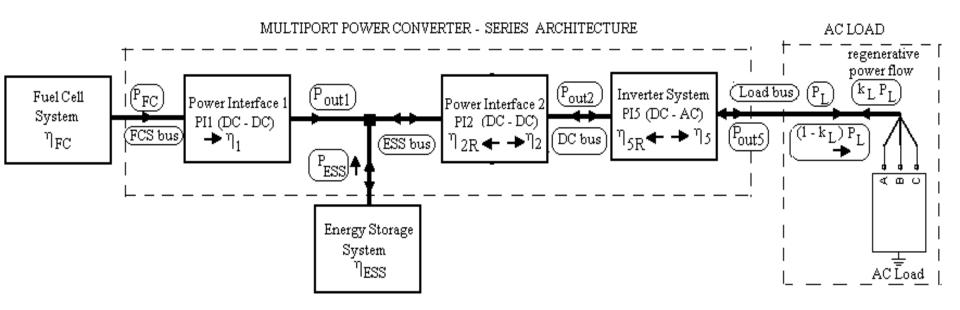


Figure 1.3. Diagram of the series FC HPS architecture

#### 1.4. Multiport Power Converter (MPC) interface for FC HPS architecture

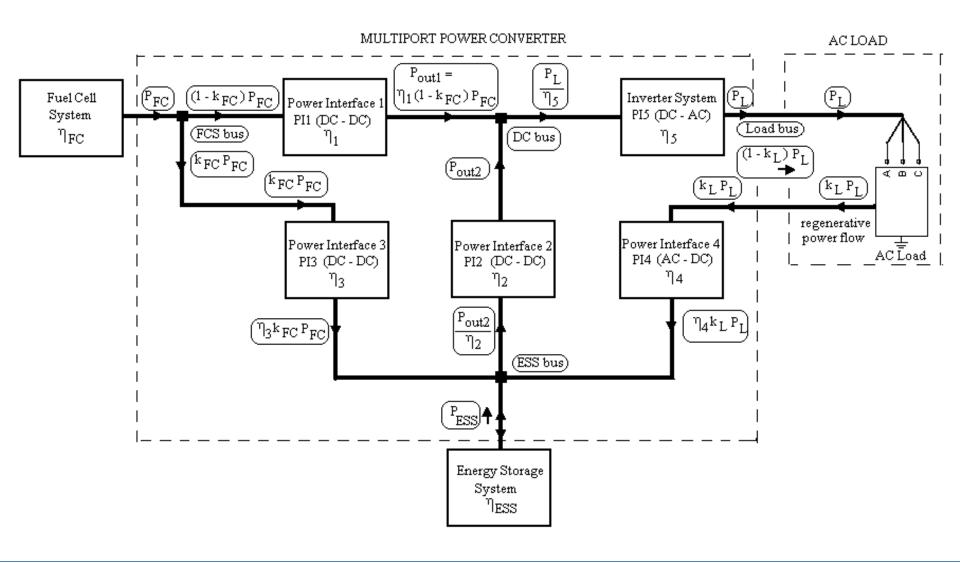


Figure 1.4. Diagram of the multiport FC HPS architecture

#### 1.5. Equivalent MPC of the parallel (MPCp) FC HPS architecture

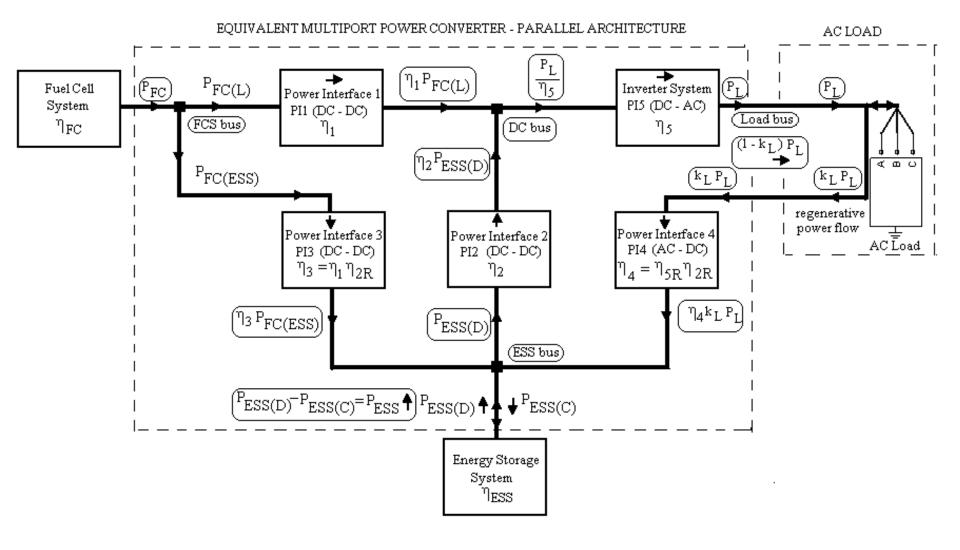


Figure 1.5. Diagram of the MPCp FC HPS architecture

#### 1.6. Equivalent MPC of the series (MPCs) FC HPS architecture

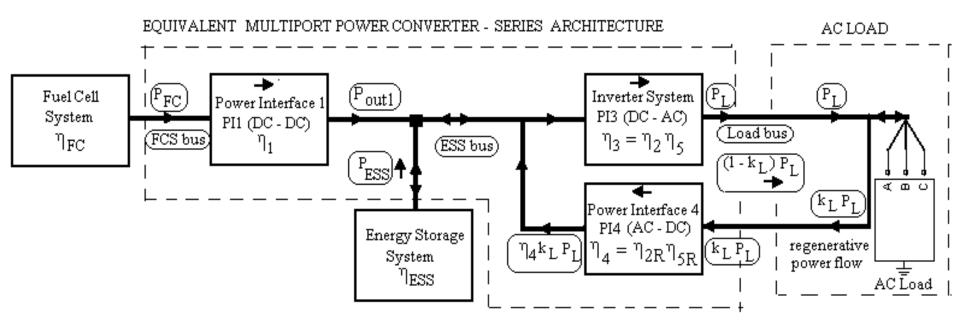


Figure 1.6. Diagram of the MPCs FC HPS architecture

#### 2.1. Energy efficiency of the MPCp FC HPS

The Energy Storage System (ESS) could operate in following regimes: (1) Charge-Sustaining (CS), (2) Charge-Depleting (CD), and (3) Charge-Increasing (CI).

 $P_{ESS(C)}$  and  $P_{ESS(D)}$  represent the average power exchanged by the ESS on CI and CD mode.

The FC system powers the load and ESS with  $P_{FC(ESS)}$  and  $P_{FC(ESS)}$ 

The power flow' balance on DC bus in CD mode is:

$$\eta_2 P_{ESS(D)} + \eta_1 P_{FC(L)} = P_L / \eta_5 \tag{1}$$

where the used notations are mentioned above.

The power flow' balance on ESS bus related to CI mode of ESS (which is charged in average with  $P_{ESS(C)}$ ) is:

$$P_{ESS(C)} = \eta_3 P_{FC(ESS)} + \eta_4 k_L P_L = \eta_1 \eta_{2R} P_{FC(ESS)} + \eta_{2R} \eta_{5R} k_L P_L$$
 (2)

The efficiency analysis will be performed considering as parameters the  $k_{ESS}$  and  $k_{CD}$  ratios:  $k_{ESS(p)} = P_{ESS}/P_L$  and  $k_{CD} = P_{ESS(C)}/P_{ESS(D)}$ , respectively.

The energy efficiency for MPCp architecture is given by the relation:

$$\eta_p = \eta_{MPCp} = (l - k_L)P_L/(P_{FC} + P_{ESS}) \tag{3}$$

#### 2.1. Energy efficiency of the MPCp FC HPS - continued

Relations (6) result by simple mathematical manipulations of (5) using the definitions for  $k_{ESS(p)}$  and  $k_{CD}$  ratios:

$$P_{ESS(C)} = k_{ESS(p)} k_{CD} P_L / (1 - k_{CD})$$

$$(6a)$$

$$P_{ESS(D)} = k_{ESS(p)} P_L / (1 - k_{CD})$$

$$(6b)$$

If relations (6) will be used on relations (1) and (2), then relation (4) becomes:

$$P_{FC} = P_L \cdot \left( 1/\eta_5 - \eta_{5R} k_L - k_{ESS(p)} \eta_{2m} \right) / \eta_1 \tag{7}$$

where

$$\eta_{2m} = (\eta_2 \eta_{2R} - k_{CD}) / [\eta_{2R} (1 - k_{CD})], k_{CD} \neq 1$$
(8)

It is obvious that:

$$k_{ESS(p)} \stackrel{<}{\underset{>}{=}} 0 \Leftrightarrow P_{ESS(D)} \stackrel{<}{\underset{>}{=}} P_{ESS(C)} \Leftrightarrow k_{CD} \stackrel{>}{\underset{<}{=}} 1$$
 (9)

where the symbol used for comparison can be <, =, or >.

The case  $k_{CD}=1$  ( $k_{ESS(p)}=0$ ) was analyzed in [26]. Considering  $k_{CD}\neq 1$ , the energy efficiency for MPCp architecture is finally given by relation:

$$\eta_p = (1 - k_L) \eta_1 / [1 / \eta_5 - \eta_{5R} k_L - k_{ESS(p)} (\eta_{2m} - \eta_1)]$$
(10)

#### 2.2. Energy efficiency of the MPCs FC HPS

The ESS bus is powered by the ESS and FC, directly and via PI1, respectively. Using the ratio of ESS power exchanged on ESS bus,  $k_{ESS(s)} = P_{ESS}/P_L$ , the power flows' balance on ESS bus is:

$$\eta_{I}P_{FC} + P_{ESS} + \eta_{2R}\eta_{5R}k_{L}P_{L} = P_{L}/\eta_{2}\eta_{5} \tag{11}$$

The same relation is obtained if the power flow balance on ESS bus is written in CI and CD mode of ESS, respectively:

$$P_{ESS(C)} = \eta_1 P_{FC(ESS)} + \eta_{2R} \eta_{5R} k_L P_L \tag{12a}$$

$$P_{ESS(D)} + \eta_1 P_{FC(L)} = P_L / \eta_2 \eta_5 \tag{12b}$$

where the notations for the split power flow are the same.

In this case, the energy efficiency for MPCs architecture is given by (13):

$$\eta_{s} = \eta_{MPCs} = (l - k_{L})P_{L}/(P_{FC} + P_{ESS})$$

$$\tag{13}$$

Using the  $k_{ESS(s)}$  ratio, by simple mathematical manipulations of (11), results:

$$\eta_s = (1 - k_L) \eta_1 / [1 / (\eta_2 \eta_5) - \eta_{2R} \eta_{5R} k_L - k_{ESS(s)} (1 - \eta_1)]$$
(14)

#### 2.3. Energy efficiency of MPCp architecture vs. MPCs architecture

If both MPC architectures exchange the same ESS power (positive or negative), i.e.  $\underline{k}_{ESS(p)} = k_{ESS}$ , it is also important to know which ones operates more efficiently:

$$\eta_p \stackrel{<}{=} \eta_z \tag{15}$$

Relation (15) is equivalent with (16) by using (10) and (14):

$$k_{\text{ESS}} \cdot (1 - \eta_{2m}) = \left[ 1 - \eta_2 + k_{\text{L}} \eta_2 (1 - \eta_{2R}) \eta_5 \eta_{5R} \right] (\eta_2 \eta_5)$$
(16)

Using (8) will result (17):

$$1 - \eta_{2m} = [\eta_{2R}(1 - \eta_2) + k_{CD}(1 - \eta_{2R})] / [\eta_{2R}(1 - k_{CD})], k_{CD} \neq 1$$
(17)

so (16) will become equivalent with (18):

$$\frac{k_{ESS}}{1 - k_{CD}} \stackrel{<}{=} \frac{\eta_{2R}}{\eta_2 \eta_5} \cdot \frac{1 - \eta_2 + k_L \eta_2 (1 - \eta_{2R}) \eta_5 \eta_{5R}}{\eta_{2R} (1 - \eta_2) + k_{CD} (1 - \eta_{2R})}, k_{CD} \neq 1$$
(18)

The following notation is made related to CS mode:

$$\frac{C_{\eta CD}}{1 - k_{CD}} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \frac{\eta_{2R}}{\eta_2 \eta_5} \cdot \frac{1 - \eta_2 + k_L \eta_2 (1 - \eta_{2R}) \eta_5 \eta_{5R}}{\eta_{2R} (1 - \eta_2) + k_{CD} (1 - \eta_{2R})} > 0, k_{CD} \neq 1$$
(19)

Finally, relation (15) will become equivalent with (20):

$$\frac{k_{ESS}}{1 - k_{CD}} \stackrel{<}{=} \frac{C_{\eta CD}}{1 - k_{CD}}, k_{CD} \neq 1$$
 (20)

#### 2.3. Energy efficiency of MPCp architecture vs. MPCs architecture - continued

If  $k_{ESS(p)} = k_{ESS(s)} = k_{ESS}$  then:

$$(|k_{ESS}| < |C_{\eta CD}| \Leftrightarrow \eta_p > \eta_s) \lor (|k_{ESS}| > |C_{\eta CD}| \Leftrightarrow \eta_p < \eta_s)$$
 (22)

where the  $\vee$  symbol is used for the logical OR operator.

Of course, if  $k_{ESS(p)} = k_{ESS(s)} = C_{\eta CD}$ , then both MPC architectures considered are equivalent in terms of energy efficiency, so  $C_{\eta CD}$  is a border value.

If  $k_{ESS(p)} \neq k_{ESS(s)}$ , then  $\eta_p/\eta_s$  ratio of energy efficiency coefficients is computed in (23):

$$\frac{\eta_p}{\eta_s} = \frac{1/(\eta_2 \eta_5) - \eta_{2R} \eta_{5R} k_L - k_{ESS(s)} (1 - \eta_1)}{1/\eta_5 - \eta_{5R} k_L - k_{ESS(p)} (\eta_{2m} - \eta_1)}$$
(23)

#### Simulation results

If is not specifically mentioned, the energy efficiency coefficients of PIs are set in all simulations performed to  $\eta_I$ =0.9,  $\eta_2$ =0.9,  $\eta_2$ =0.9,  $\eta_5$ =0.9, and  $\eta_5$ =0.9. The used values for the charge-discharge parameter,  $k_{CD}$ , are 1/1.25 and 1.25 for CD and CI operating mode, respectively.

The dependence of energy efficiency for both MPC architectures, considering  $k_{ESS(p)} = k_{ESS(s)} = k_{ESS}$ , is given by (22) and (23), and is clearly shown in Figure 5 and 6, respectively.

#### 2.3. Energy efficiency of MPCp vs. MPCs architecture - continued

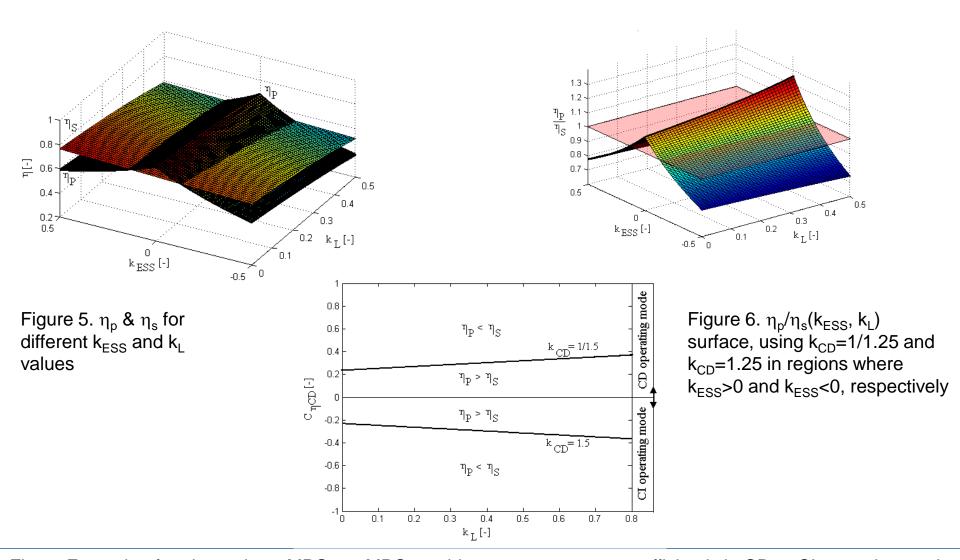


Fig. 7. Example of regions where MPCp or MPCs architectures may operate efficiently in CD or CI operating mode

#### 2.4. Energy efficiency of MPCp vs. MPCs in CS mode

In CS mode the average value of charge exchanged by ESS under a drive (load) cycle is zero, so:

$$k_{ESS} = 0 \Rightarrow P_{ESSO(D)} = P_{ESSO(C)} \tag{25}$$

The energy efficient coefficients given by (10) and (14) become as below:

$$\eta_{p0} = \eta_p \Big|_{k_{ESS(p)} = 0} = \frac{(1 - k_L)\eta_1}{1/\eta_5 - \eta_{5R}k_L} \tag{10a}$$

$$\eta_{s0} = \eta_s \Big|_{k_{ESS(s)} = 0} = \frac{(1 - k_L)\eta_1}{1/(\eta_2 \eta_5) - \eta_{2R} \eta_{5R} k_L}$$
(14a)

where  $k_L$  is the regenerative braking factor.

The  $k_{L-ESS0}$  coefficient is defined as a measure of load and ESS dynamic:

$$k_{L-ESS0} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} P_{ESS0(D)} / P_L \tag{26}$$

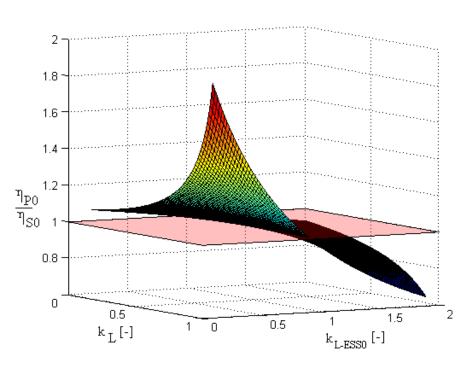
It is also important to know which ones operate more efficiently (for example, see Figure 13):

$$\eta_p \stackrel{<}{=} \eta_{\varepsilon}$$
(27)

Relation (27) is equivalent with (28) by using (10a) and (14a):

$$k_{L-ESS0} \stackrel{<}{=} \frac{\eta_{2R} \left[ 1 - \eta_2 + k_L \eta_2 \eta_{5R} (1 - \eta_{2R}) \right]}{\eta_2 \eta_5 (1 - \eta_2 \eta_{2R})} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} C_{\eta 0} > 0$$
 (28)

#### 2.4. Energy efficiency of MPCp vs. MPCs in CS mode - continued



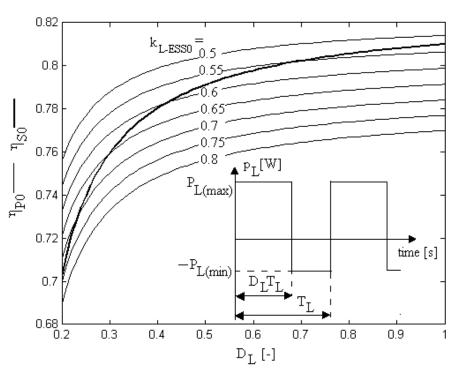
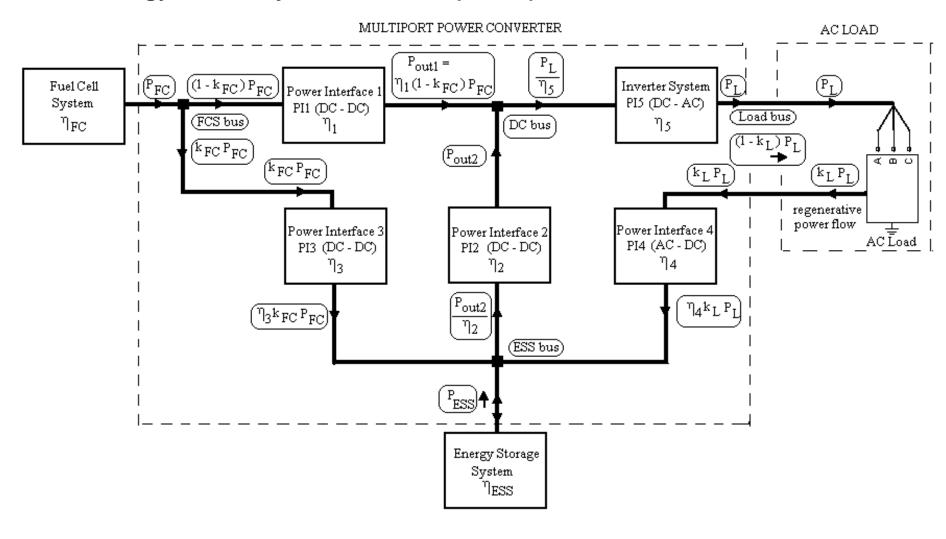


Figure 13.  $\eta_p/\eta_s(k_L, k_{L\text{-ESS0}})$  surface for  $\eta_1 = \eta_2 = \eta_{2R} = 0.93$  and  $\eta_5 = \eta_{5R} = 1$ 

Figure 14.  $\eta_s(D_L)$  - line width set to 2, and  $\eta_p(D_L)$  - line width set to 1, for  $\eta_1$ = $\eta_2$ = $\eta_{2R}$ =0.93,  $\eta_5$ = $\eta_{5R}$ =1,  $C_L$ =9 and different  $k_{L\text{-ESSO}}$ 

The average (AV) and effective (RMS) value of load power are dependent by the duty cycle,  $D_L$ , the ratio of positive and negative amplitudes,  $C_L = P_{L(max)} / P_{L(min)}$ , and the regenerative braking factor,  $k_L$ , as in (29):  $P_{L(AV)} = P_L k_L (D_L C_L - 1), P_{L(RMS)} = P_L k_L \sqrt{D_L C_L^2 + 1 - D_L}$ 

#### 2.5. Energy efficiency of basic MPC (MPCb)



#### 2.5. Energy efficiency of basic MPC (MPCb) - continued

The power flows balance on DC bus is:

$$P_{DC} = P_{out1} + P_{out2} \tag{1}$$

The power balance on ESS bus is:

$$P_{ESS} + \eta_3 k_{FC} P_{FC} + \eta_4 k_L P_L = P_{out2} / \eta_2$$
(2)

The energy efficiency for basic MPC architecture is given by relation:

$$\eta_{\text{MPCb}} = (1 - k_{\text{L}}) P_{\text{L}} / (P_{\text{FC}} + P_{\text{ESS}})$$
 (3)

By simple mathematical manipulations of the first two relations, relation (3) became:

$$\eta_{\text{MPCb}} = (1 - k_{\text{L}}) \cdot A / B_{\text{b}} \tag{4}$$

where:

$$A = \eta_1 + k_{FC}(\eta_2 \eta_3 - \eta_1),$$

$$B=1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_L - k_{ESS} \, [\eta_2 - \eta_1 - k_{FC} \, (\eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1)], \tag{5}$$

$$B_b = B \Big|_{k_{\rm ESS} = k_{\rm ESSb}} = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_{\rm L} - k_{\rm ESSb} \, [\eta_2 - \eta_1 - k_{\rm FC} \, (\eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1)]$$

#### 2.6. Energy efficiency of MPC without regenerative power flow (MPC1)

In this case, the energy efficiency for MPC1 is given by relation (4) considering k<sub>L</sub>=0:

$$\eta_{MPC1} = A_1 / B_1 \tag{6}$$

where:

$$A_1 = A_{k,-0} = \eta_1 + k_{FC}(\eta_2 \eta_3 - \eta_1),$$

$$B_{b1} = B|_{k_{EB} = k_{ES1}} = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_L - k_{ESS1} \, [\eta_2 - \eta_1 - k_{FC} \, (\eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1)]$$
(7)

$$B_1 = B_{b1} \Big|_{k_2 = 0} = 1/\eta_5 - k_{ESS1} \left[ \eta_2 - \eta_1 - k_{FC} \left( \eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1 \right) \right] = B_{b1} + \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_L$$

If  $k_{ESSb} = k_{ESS1} = k_{ESS(b1)}$ , then it is important to know which ones operate more efficiently.

$$\eta_{MPC0} \stackrel{<}{=} \eta_{MPC1} \Leftrightarrow k_{ESS(b1)} \cdot C_{FC} \stackrel{<}{=} C_L$$
 (8)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (9)

$$C_{FC} = \eta_2 - \eta_1 - k_{FC} \cdot (\eta_2 \eta_3 - \eta_1)$$

$$C_T = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \eta_4 > 0$$
(10)

So both MPC architectures could have the same efficiency for kess given by relation (11):

$$k_{ESS(b1)} = C_L / C_{FC}$$

$$\tag{11}$$

#### 2.6. Energy efficiency of MPC1 - continued

If value of  $k_{ESS}$  parameter is the same for both MPC architectures (but different to  $k_{ESS(b1)}$  value), then energy efficiencies of considered MPC architectures are different,  $\eta_{MPCb}$  and  $\eta_{MPC1}$ , respectively (see Figure 5). From relations (8) and (9) it can be concluded that:

$$\left|k_{\rm ESS}\right| < \left|C_L / C_{\rm FC}\right| \Longrightarrow \eta_{\rm MPCb} < \eta_{\rm MPC1}$$

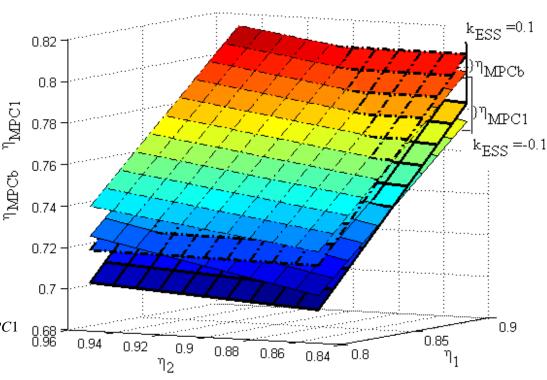


Figure 5.  $\eta_{MPCb}(\eta_1,\,\eta_2)$  and  $\eta_{MPC1}(\eta_1,\,\eta_2)$  for  $k_{FC}$ =0.1,  $k_L$ =0.1,  $\eta_3$ =0.95,  $\eta_4$ =0.95, and  $\eta_5$ =0.9

# 2.7. Energy efficiency of MPC without charging power flow from the FC system (MPC2)

In this case, the energy efficiency for MPC is given by relation (4) considering  $k_{FC}$ =0:

$$\eta_{MPC2} = (1 - k_L) \cdot A_2 / B_2 \tag{14}$$

where:

$$A_2 = A|_{k_{sc} = 0} = \eta_1,$$

$$B_{b2} = B|_{k_{\text{em}} = k_{\text{em}}} = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_L - k_{\text{ESS2}} \left[ \eta_2 - \, \eta_1 - k_{\text{FC}} \left( \eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1 \right) \right] \tag{15}$$

$$B_2 = B_{b2}|_{k_{-1}=0} = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \, \eta_4 \, k_L - k_{ESS2} \, (\eta_2 - \eta_1) = B_{b2} - k_{ESS2} \, k_{FC} \, (\eta_2 \, \eta_3 - \eta_1)$$

If kessb= kess2= kess(b2), then it is important to know which ones operate more efficiently:

$$\eta_{MPCb} \stackrel{<}{=} \eta_{MPC2} \Leftrightarrow C_{kL} \cdot sign(\eta_2 \cdot \eta_3 - \eta_1) \stackrel{<}{=} k_{ESS(b2)} \cdot \eta_2 \cdot sign(\eta_2 \cdot \eta_3 - \eta_1)$$

$$(16) \Leftrightarrow (17)$$

where:

$$C_{kL} = 1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \eta_4 k_L > 0 \tag{18}$$

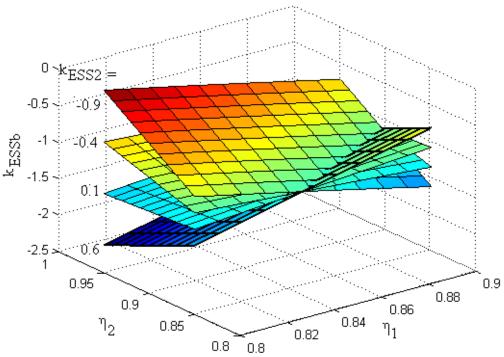
Therefore, if  $\eta_2 \cdot \eta_3 \neq \eta_1$ , then both MPC architectures have the same efficiency for  $k_{ESS}$  value given by relation:

$$k_{ESS(b2)} = C_{kL} / \eta_2 > 0$$
 (19)

# 2.7. Energy efficiency of MPC2

- continued

If different values for k<sub>ESS</sub> parameter are used in the operation of MPCb and MPC2 architectures (noted with k<sub>ESSb</sub> and k<sub>ESS2</sub>, respectively), then MPC architectures could have the same efficiency:



$$\eta_{MPCb} = \eta_{MPC2} \Rightarrow k_{ESSb} = -C_{kL} / \eta_1 + [C_{FC} / k_{FC} - (\eta_2 - \eta_1) / \eta_1] \cdot k_{ESS2}$$

The relation above for  $k_{FC}$ =0.1,  $k_L$ =0.1,  $\eta_3$ =0.95,  $\eta_4$ =0.95,  $\eta_5$ =0.9 and different  $k_{ESS2}$  values (negative and positive) is shown in Figure 8.

Figure 8.  $k_{ESSb}(\eta_1, \eta_2)$  for  $k_{FC}$ =0.1,  $k_L$ =0.1,  $\eta_3$ =0.95,  $\eta_4$ =0.95,  $\eta_5$ =0.9 and different  $k_{ESS2}$  values

#### 2.8. Energy efficiency of MPC1, MPC2, and MPCb

$$\begin{split} &\eta_{MPC1} = \eta_{MPC2} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} k_{ESS1} \{ [k_{FC} (\eta_2 \eta_3 - \eta_1) + \eta_1 k_L] \cdot [1/\eta_5 - \eta_2 \eta_4 k_L + \eta_1 - \eta_2] + \eta_1 - \eta_2 \} - \\ -k_{ESS2} [\eta_1 k_{FC} (1 - k_L) + \eta_1 - \eta_2] = \eta_1 \eta_2 \eta_4 k_L (1 - k_L) \end{cases} \\ &\{ [\eta_2 \eta_3 > \eta_1] \vee [\eta_2 > \eta_1 > \eta_2 \eta_3] \} \wedge \{ k_{ESS} > C_L / C_{FC} > 0 \} \Leftrightarrow \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPC1} , \forall k_{FC} \in [0, 1] \} \\ &\{ \eta_2 \leq \eta_1 \} \wedge \{ 0 \leq (\eta_1 - \eta_2) / (\eta_1 - \eta_2 \eta_3) < k_{FC} \leq 1 \} \wedge \{ k_{ESS} > C_L / C_{FC} > 0 \} \Leftrightarrow \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPC1} \} \\ &\{ \eta_2 \leq \eta_1 \} \wedge \{ 0 \leq k_{FC} \leq (\eta_1 - \eta_2) / (\eta_1 - \eta_2 \eta_3) \leq 1 \} \wedge \{ k_{ESS} < C_L / C_{FC} < 0 \} \Leftrightarrow \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPC1} \} \\ &\{ \eta_2 \eta_3 > \eta_1 \} \wedge \{ 0 \leq k_L < 1 / \eta_2 \eta_4 \eta_5 \} \wedge \{ k_{ESS} > C_{kL} / \eta_2 > 0 \} \Leftrightarrow \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPC2} \} \end{split}$$

 $\{\eta_2\eta_3 < \eta_1\} \land \{0 \le k_L < 1/\eta_2\eta_4\eta_5\} \land \{k_{ESS} < C_{kL}/\eta_2\} \Leftrightarrow \eta_{MPCb} > \eta_{MPCD}$ 

So, basic MPC architecture may operate efficiently for all  $k_L$  values of regenerative braking factor in range, if proper EMU control of  $k_{FC}$  ratio is performed in all ESS operating modes.

#### **Energy Management Unit**

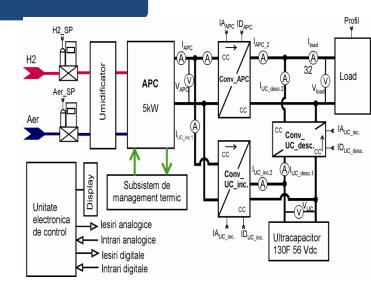
#### **Efficiency of the FC stack**

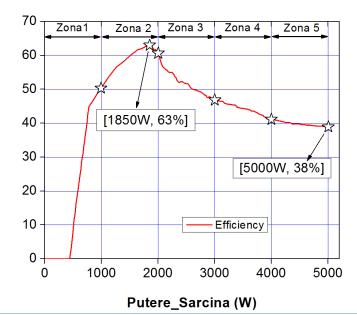
$$\varepsilon_{FC} = \frac{P_{FC}}{P_{H2}} = I_{APC} * \frac{V_{FC}}{M_{H2}} * m_{H2} * \Delta h$$

#### **Efficiency of the FC HPS**

$$\varepsilon_{sistem} = \frac{P_{sarcina}}{P_{H2}} = I_{sarcina} * \frac{V_{sarcina}}{M_{H2}} * m_{H2} * \Delta h$$

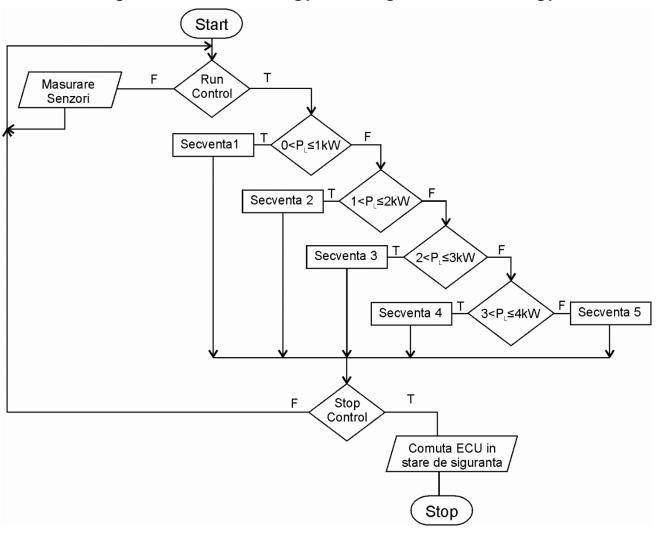
Zona	Eficienţa maximă (%)	Consum Hidrogen (SLPM)	Consum Aer (SLPM)	Tensiune APC (V)	Curent APC (A)	Putere APC (W)
Zona 1	50	10.2	41.3	34.1	29.5	1005
Zona 2	63	21.5	84.2	30.3	61.1	1850
Zona 3	46	40.4	156.7	27.7	108	3000
Zona 4	42	56.7	217	26.5	151	4000
Zona 5	39	75.3	289	25	200	5000



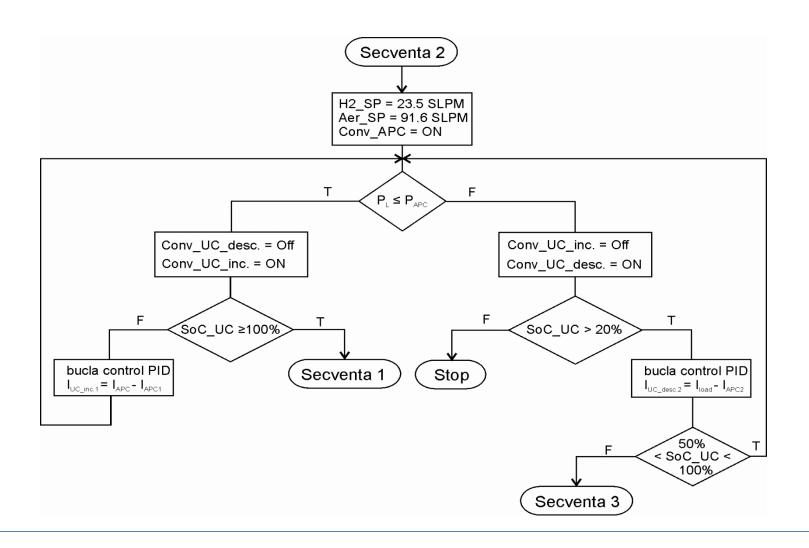


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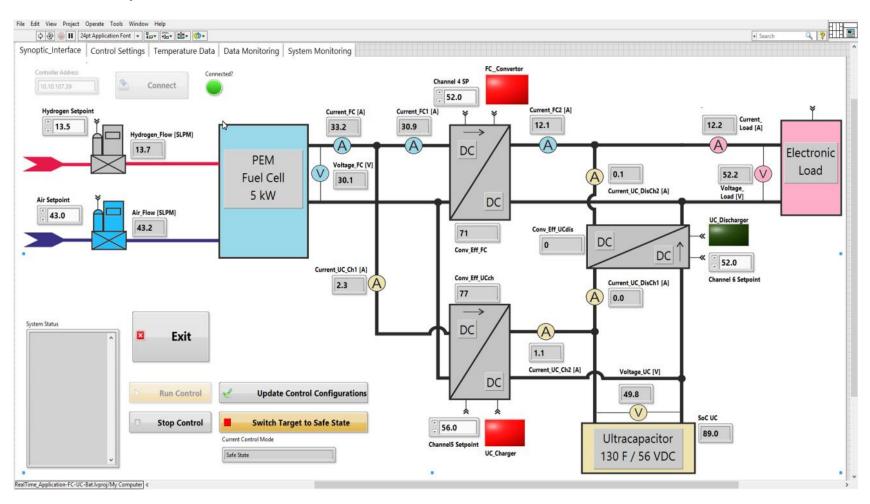
Main diagram of the Energy Management Strategy



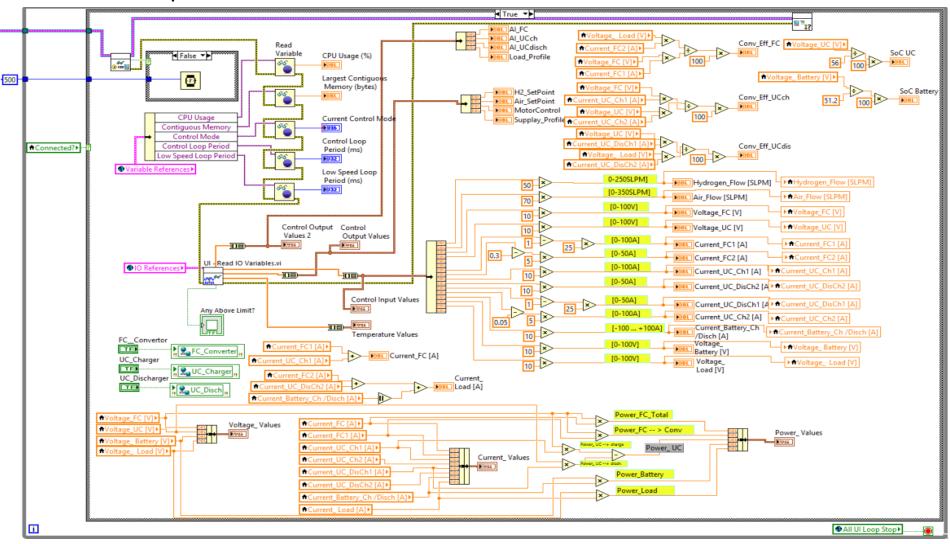
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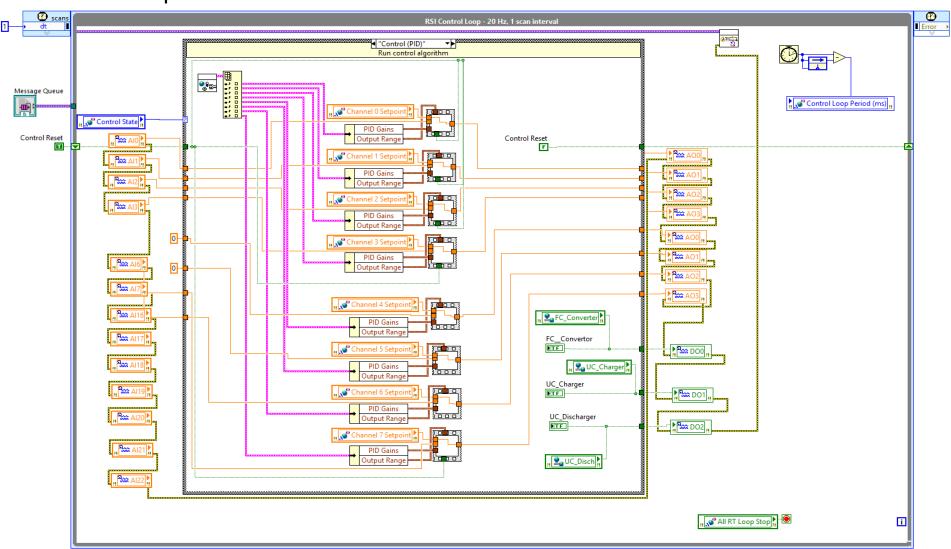
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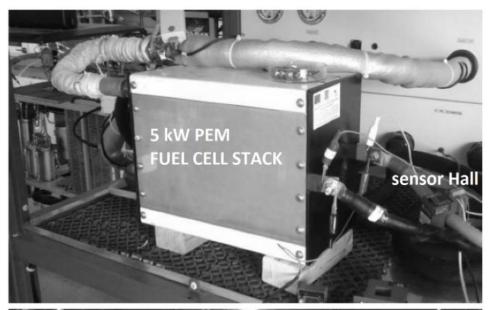


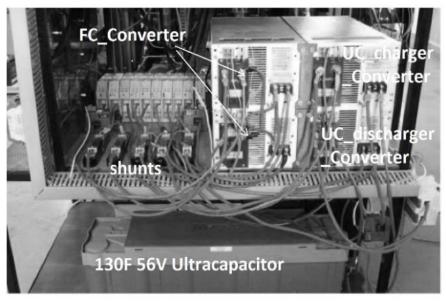
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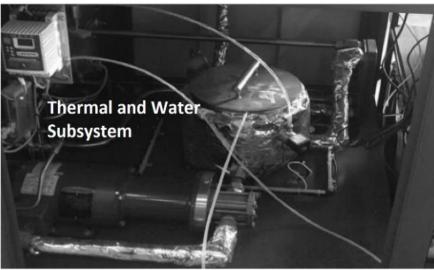
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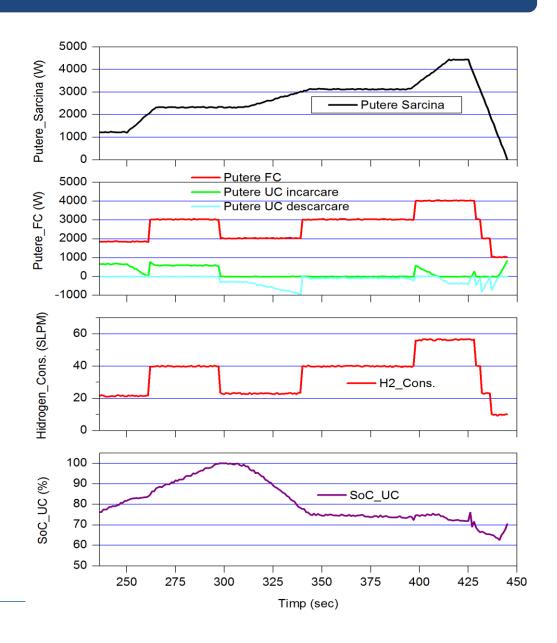


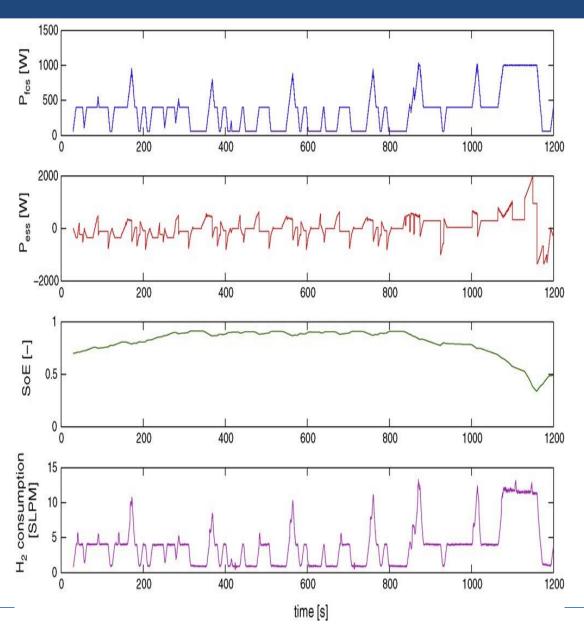












#### **Experimental study for a FC vehicle**

An FC was developed at ICIT Rm. Valcea during a joint project. The project was awarded the Grand Prize at the Research Exposition in Bucharest in 2008.



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Dear Sir,

It is our pleasure to write this letter in support of the research activities developed by S.C. Mecro System S.R.L. in implementing PEM fuel cells in mass-produced electric vehicles.

We are proud that our e-WOLF vehicle, purchased by S.C. Mecro System S.R.L. in 2012, is a key element of the infrastructure involved in the research and development activities focused on assessing the potential of hydrogen technologies as part of the future of road transport.

As a company that integrates leading edge technology in the field of electric vehicles, we would like to express our interest in the outcomes of the R&D activity that could bring significant progress to the transport sector.

We would like to state our availability at any given time for a meeting concerning the technical aspects of innovative projects involving our products.

To conclude with, we completely support S.C. Mecro System S.R.L.'s efforts of developing new technologies that will allow more efficient and environmentally friendly transport solutions.

Sincerely,

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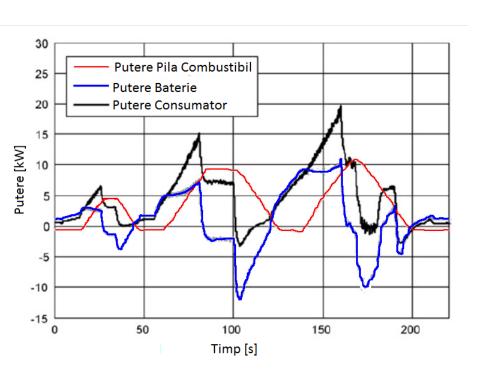


Figure a. Power flow for the FC system, electrical motor and bateries stack with FC current rate limited 5A/sec

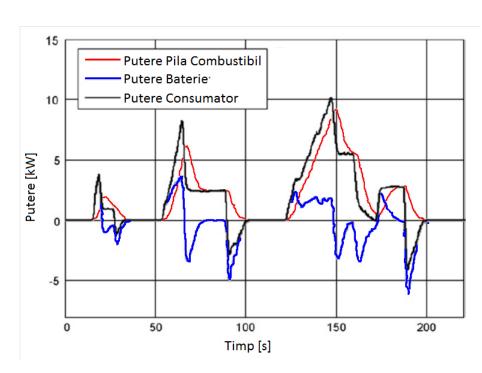


Figura b. Power flow for the FC system, electrical motor and bateries stack with FC current rate limited 10A/sec

## 5. Conclusions of Part 2.

Hybrid architectures for the interconnection of Fuel Cell (FC) system and Energy Storage Devices (ESD) are briefly shown here.

Energy management strategies of the Hybrid Power Source (HPS) are introduced here.

The components of the FC Hybrid Power Source (FC HPS) under test are shown.

Energy Management Strategy (EMS) based on Proportional-Integral control was analyzed the FC HPS.

Some preliminary experimental results are presented.

The advantages of this new FC HPS topologies are:

- increasing the life of FC stack by running efficiently at constant power inside of one zone;
- protecting the ultracapacitors' stack (UCs) to be discharged below 20% SOC;
- a reduction in hydrogen consumption by 11.8% compared to a FC HPS without UCs.

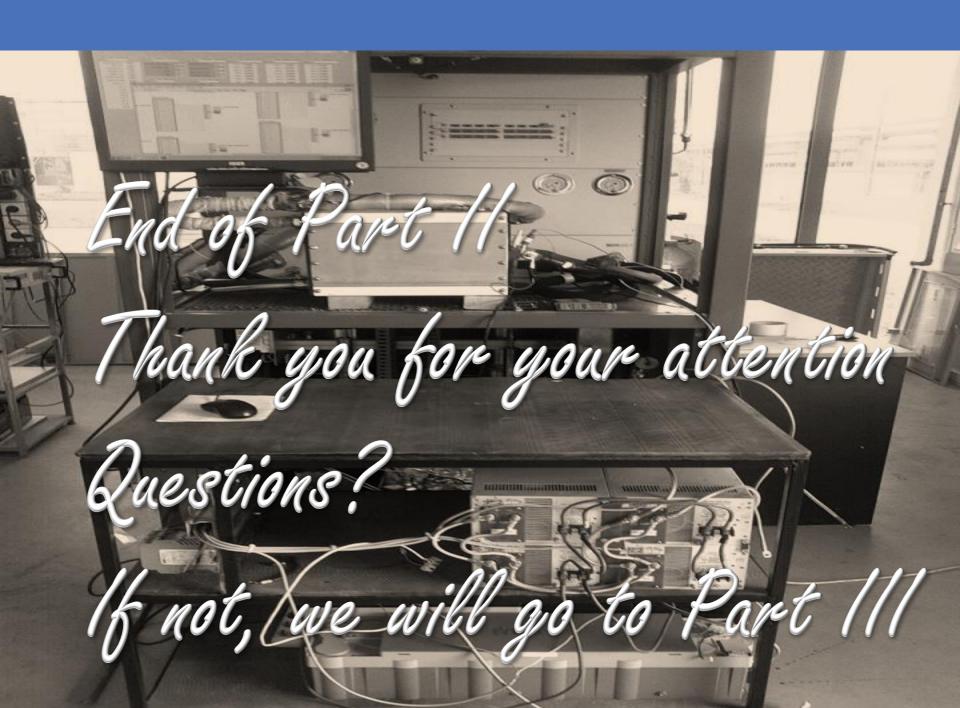
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# Real-time optimization of the Renewable Energy Sources / Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Systems



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# Summary of Part 3 — Energy management strategies for FC vehicle

- Powertrain architecture of the FC vehicle (FCV)
- **EXECUTE:** FC hybrid power source (FC HPS) model
- **3** Energy management strategies for FC HPS
- 4 Results
- 5 Conclusion

#### 1.1. Drive cycle

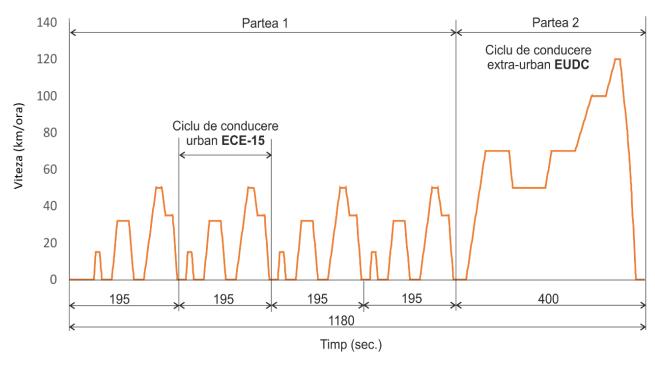


Figure 1.1. Drive cycle **NEDC** 

Tabel 2.1 Parameters for ECE and EUDC drive cycles

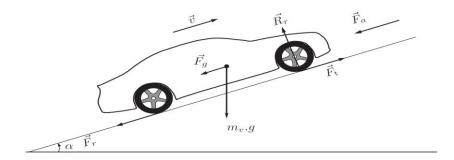
Parameter	ECE-15	EUDC	NEDC
Distance (m)	4 X 994 = 3.976	6.956	10.932
Time (s)	4 x 195 = 780	400	1180
Average speed (km/h)	18.7	62.6	33.6
Maximum speed (km/h)	50	120	120

#### 1.2. Determinarea profilului de putere

Table 2.2. FCV parameters

Parameter	Value
Vehicle weight	1540 kg
Efficiency of the transmission (electric motor \ inverter)	90%
Rolling radius of the wheel	0.25 m
Vehicle frontal area (A)	2.05 m <sup>2</sup>
The air drag coefficient (C <sub>w</sub> )	0.3
The coefficient of rolling resistance $(C_r)$	0.01
Air density	1.23 kg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### 1.2. Modeling of the FCV



The traction force  $(F_t)$  is

$$F_t(t) = m_v(t) \frac{d}{dx}(v(t)) + F_a(t) + F_r(t) + F_g(t)$$

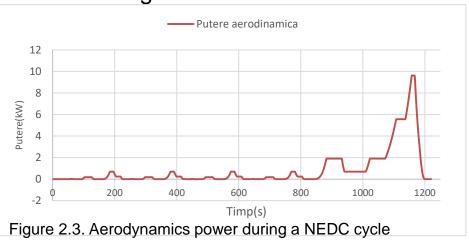
where,  $F_a$  is the air resistance force,  $F_r$  is the rolling resistance,  $F_g$  is the gravity force:

$$F_a = 0.5 * \rho * c_W * A * \vartheta^2$$

$$F_r = C_r * m_v(t) * gcos(\alpha)$$

$$F_g = m_v(t) \cdot g \cdot \sin(\alpha)$$

#### 1.2. Design of the FC HPS for the FCV



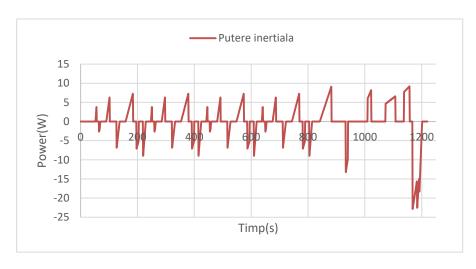
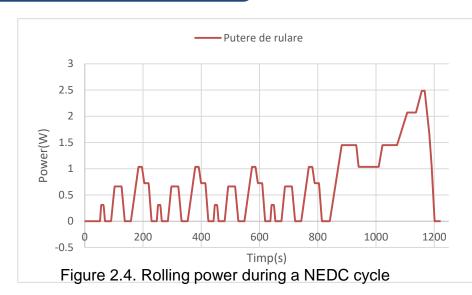


Figure 2.5. Inertial power during a NEDC cycle



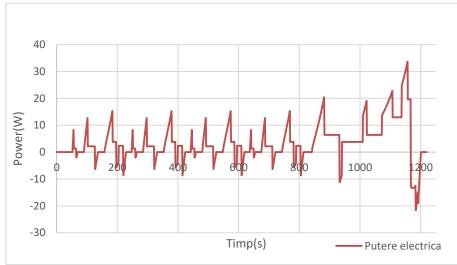


Figure 2.6. Traction power during a NEDC cycle

## 1.2. Design of the FC HPS for the FCV

Net power of the FC stack	33 kW
Litiu-ion stack (16 bateries 12.8V - 160Ah)	32,768 kWh
Ultracapacitors (UC) stack (8 Ucs of 12,6F)	57Wh
Power converter efficiency (100% -10% of rated load)	85-92%
Electric motor	75kW

Tabelul 2.3. The FC HPS components

#### 1.3. FCV powertrain architecture

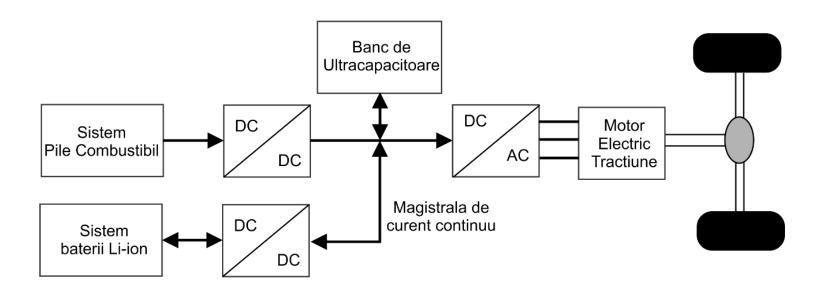


Figure 2.7. FCV powertrain architecture

# 2. FC hybrid power source (FC HPS) model

#### 2.1. FC system

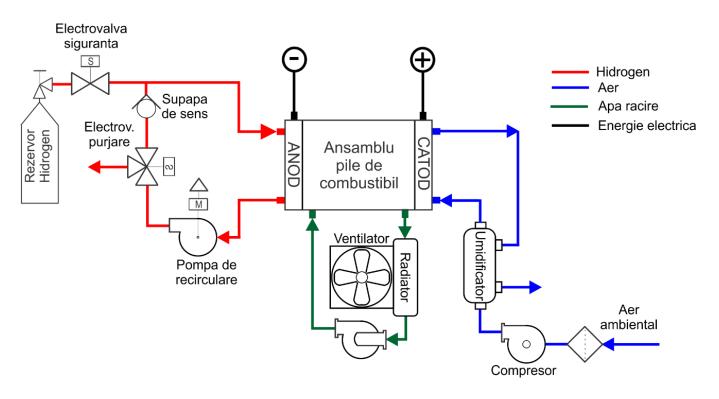


Figura 3.2. FC system

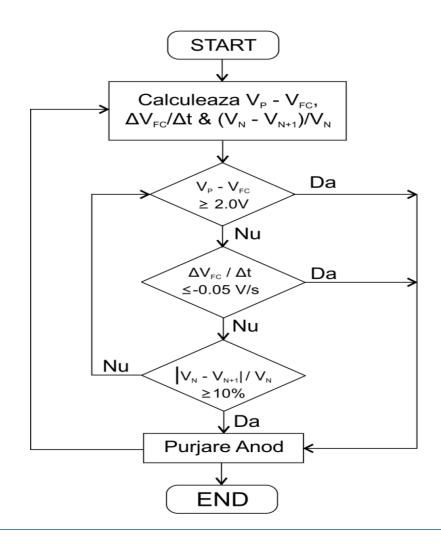
# 2. FC hybrid power source (FC HPS) model

#### 2.2. Purge algorithm for FC stack operating in blocking anode

$$V_p - V_{FC} \ge 2V \tag{3.1}$$

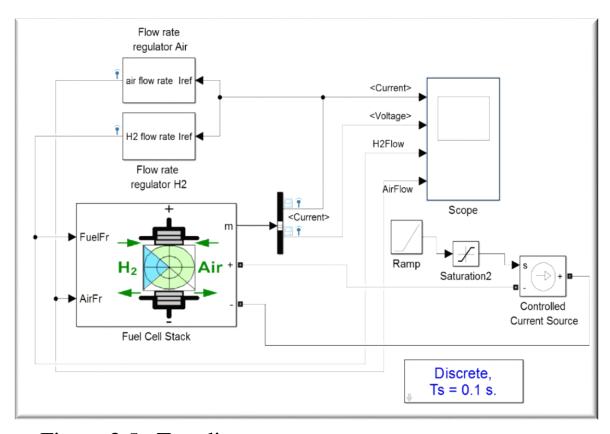
$$\frac{\Delta V_{FC}}{\Delta t} \le -0.05 \ V \ s^{-1}$$
 (3.2)

$$\frac{\left||v_N - v_{N-1}|\right|}{v_{N-1}} \ge 10\% \tag{3.3}$$



# 2. FC hybrid power source (FC HPS) model

#### 2.3. Fuel flow regulators



$$U f_{H_2} = \frac{60000 \, R \, T \, i_{fc}}{2 \, F \, P_{fuel} \, V_{fuel} \, x\%}$$

$$U f_{air} = \frac{60000 R T i_{fc}}{4 F P_{air} V_{air} y\%}$$

$$P_{H_2} = (1 - U f_{H_2}) x\% P_{fuel}$$

$$P_{O_2} = (1 - U f_{O_2}) y\% P_{air}$$

#### 2.3. FC system parameters

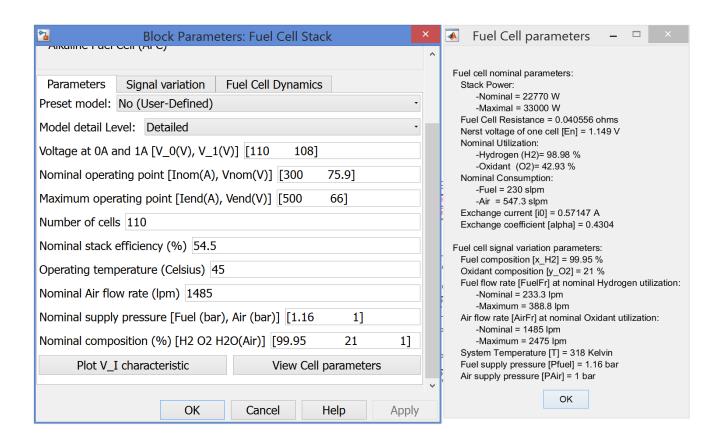


Figura 3.6. FC system parameters

#### 2.3. FC characteristics

Rated power	33 kW
Current	0 – 500A
Voltage	60 – 120 Vdc
Maximum energy efficiency (MEE)	55%
Response time	< 5 s from off to idle < 3 s from idle to rated power
Fuel	dry hydrogen > 99.98% purity
Oxidant	Ambiental air
Cooling agent	Deionized water
Comunication	CAN V2.oA

Table 3.1 Data sheet for FC type HD 33

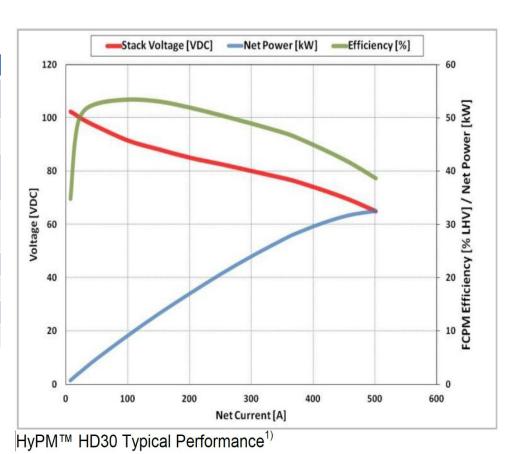


Figura 3.4. Characteristics of HD-33 FC

#### 2.4. Battery model

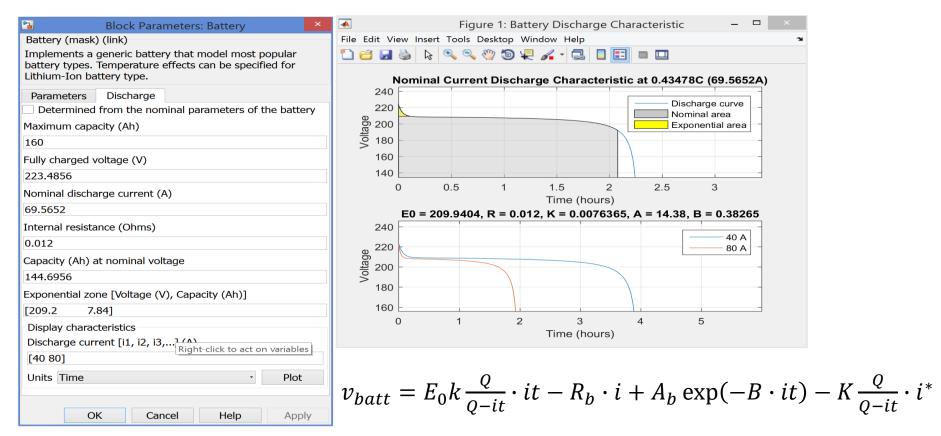
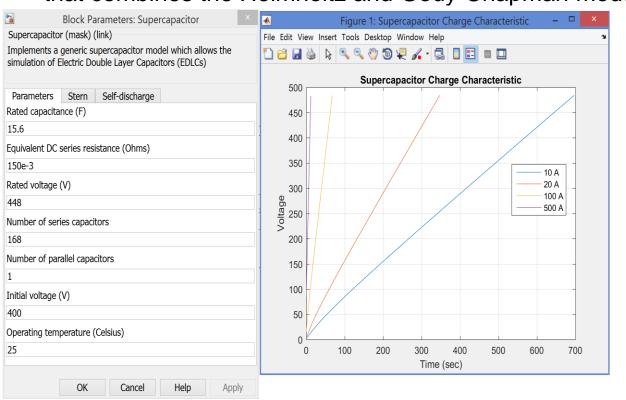


Figure 3.7. Parameters and characteristics of the batteries' stack

2.5. Ultracapacitors' (UCs) stack model is based on Stern model that combines the Helmholtz and Gouy-Chapman models



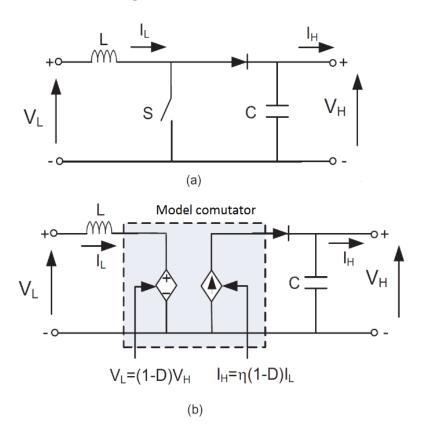
$$C = \left[\frac{1}{C_H} + \frac{1}{C_{GC}}\right]^{-1}$$

$$C_H = \frac{N_e \in_{\mathbf{r}} \in_0 A_i}{d}$$

$$C_{GC} = \frac{FQ_c}{2N_cRT} sinh\left(\frac{Q_c}{N_c^2 A_i \sqrt{8RT \in_{\mathbf{r}} \in_0 c}}\right)$$

Figure 3.8. UC parameters and characteristics

#### 2.6 Modeling and control of the DC-DC boost converter



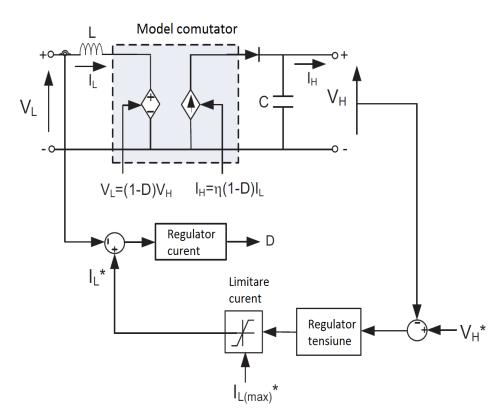
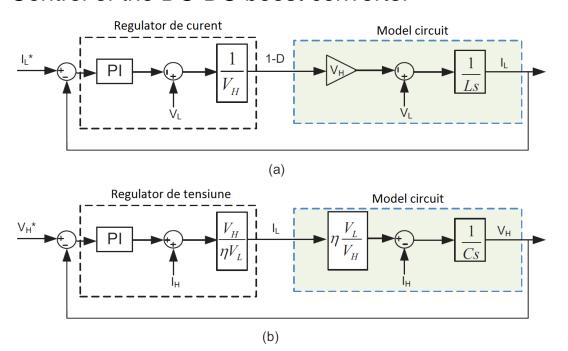


Figure 3.9. DC-DC boost converter:

- (a) Electrical circuit;
- (b) Average model

Figure 3.10. Control of the DC-DC boost converter

#### 2.6 Control of the DC-DC boost converter



$$V_L = (1 - D) \cdot V_H$$

$$I_H = \eta \cdot (1 - D) \cdot I_L$$
$$\eta = a \cdot I_H + b$$

Figure 3.11. (a) current regulator, (b) voltage regulator

Parameter				
Maximum Current [A]	85			
Eficiency @ 100% and 10% rated load [a, b]	[85, 90]			
Response time (s)	0.1			
Filtering capacity (F)	15.6			

Table 3.3. Parameters of the DC-DC boost converter

#### 2.6 Modeling and control of the DC-DC buck converter

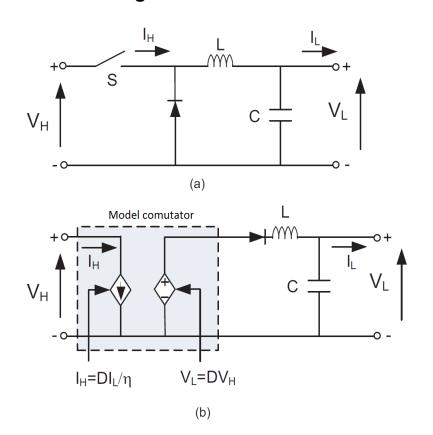


Figure 3.12. DC-DC buck converter:

- (a) Electrical circuit;
- (b) Average model

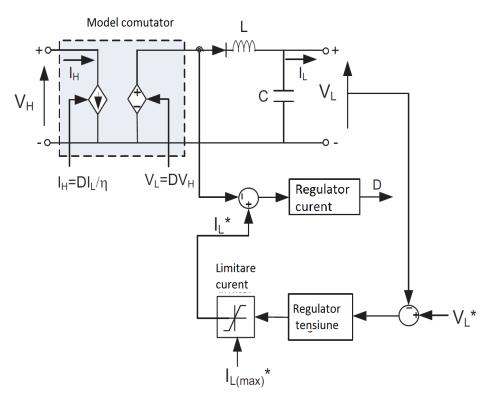


Figure 3.13. Control of the DC-DC buck converter

#### 2.6 Control of the DC-DC buck converter

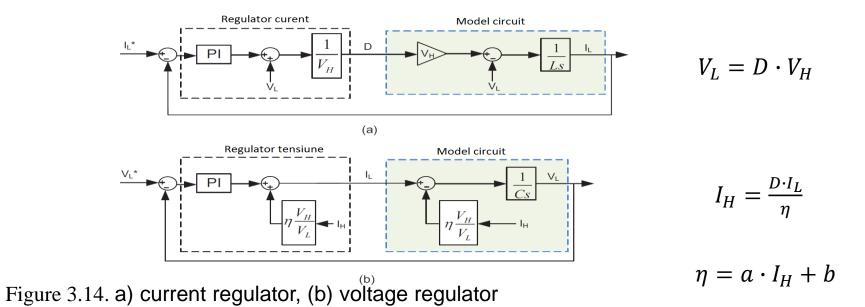


Table 3.3. Parameters of the DC-DC buck converter

Parametrii de intrarea ai modelului de convertor coborâtor pentru baterie			
Maximum Current [A]	20		
Eficiency @ 100% and 10% rated load [a, b]	[80, 88]		
Response time (s)	0.1		
Filtering capacity (F)	0.1		

#### 3. Energy management strategies (EMS) for FC HPS

#### 2.6 Objectives for the EMS unit

- Assuring the load demand
- Operating the FC stack at high efficiency
- Minimizing the fuel consumption
- Protecting the FC stack to fuel starvation
- Protecting the batteries' stack to deep discharge by monitoring the State-Of-Charge (SOC)

The EMS can be mainly classified into rule-based energy management strategy and optimization-based energy management strategy.

Several energy management control strategies have been already proposed for FC vehicle, such as heuristic strategies, equivalent consumption minimization strategy (ECMS) and strategies based on optimal control theory.

Not all objectives mentioned above can be optimized simultaneously.

Below, the following two EMS types will be evaluated:

- Strategies using the control diagram based on the operating states designed;
- PI controllers-based strategies;

# 3. Energy management strategies (EMS) for FC HPS

#### 2.6 EMS based on PI regulator

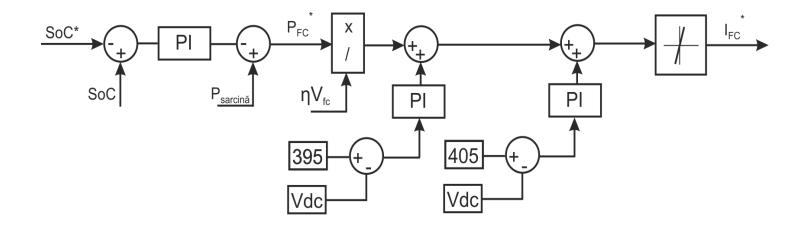
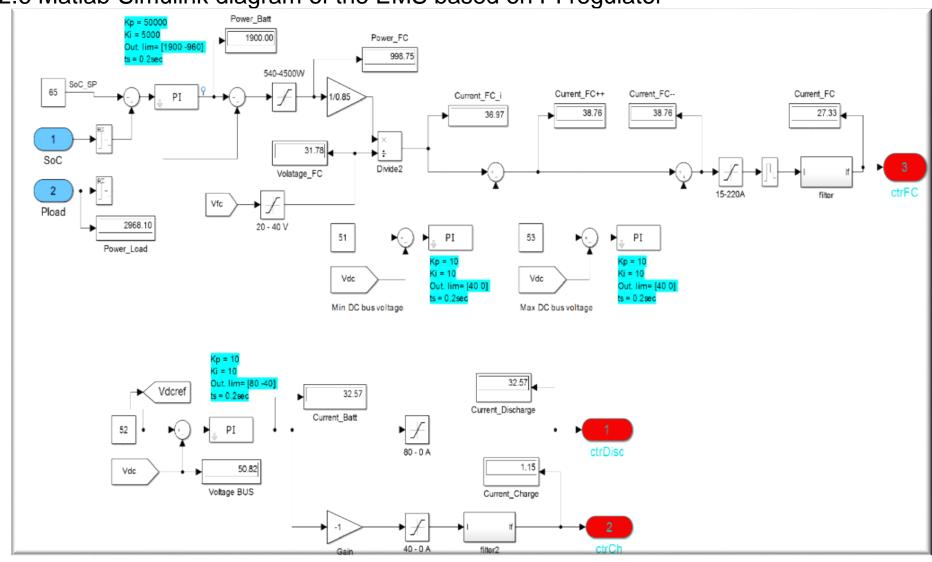


Figure 4.1. b. Diagram of the EMS based on PI regulator

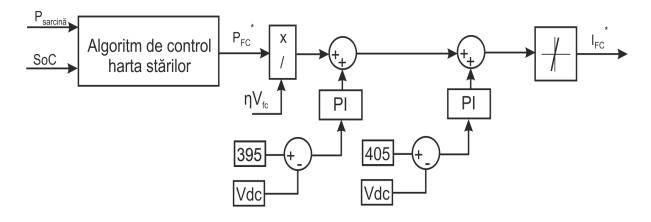
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2.6 Matlab-Simulink diagram of the EMS based on PI regulator



# 3. Energy management strategies for FC HPS

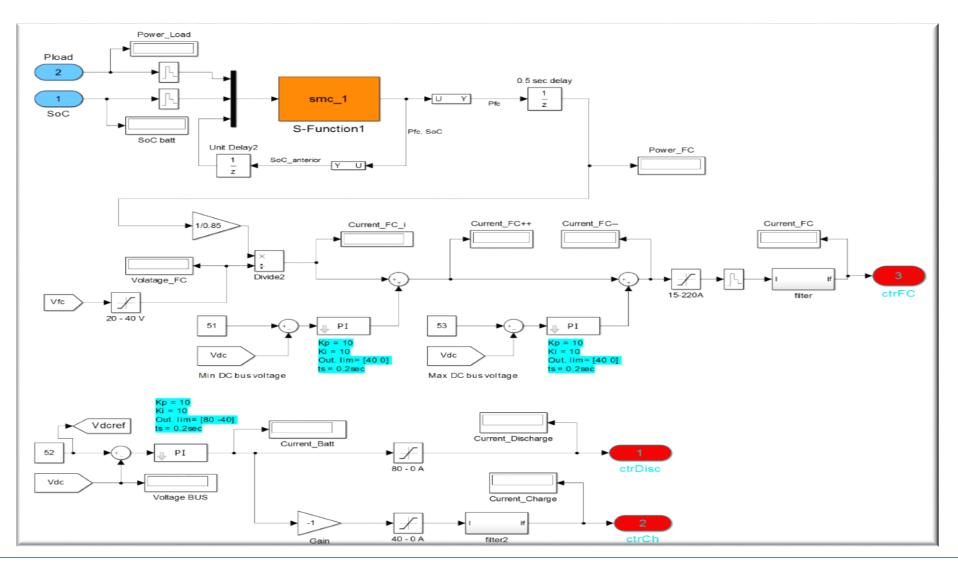
#### 2.6 Strategies using the control diagram based on the designed operating states



$IF SOC > 90 \& P_{load} < Pfc_{min}$	Sta <b>t</b> e = 1	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{min}$
IF $SOC > 90 \& P_{load} \in [Pfc_{min}, Pfc_{max}]$	State = 2	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{load}$
$IF SOC > 90 \& P_{load} \ge Pfc_{max}$	State = 3	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{max}$
IF $SOC \in [65, 85] \& P_{load} < Pfc_{opt}$	State = 4	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{opt}$
IF $SOC \in [65, 85] \& P_{load} \in [Pfc_{opt}, Pfc_{max}]$	State = 5	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{load}$
IF $SOC \in [65, 85] \& P_{load} \ge Pfc_{max}$	State = 6	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{max}$
IF $SOC < 60 \& P_{load} < Pfc_{max}$	State = 7	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{load} + P_{charge}$
IF $SOC < 60 \& P_{load} \ge Pfc_{max}$	State = 8	$Pfc^* = Pfc_{max}$

# 3. Energy management strategies for FC HPS

#### 2.6 Matlab-Simulink diagram of the EMS based states' diagram



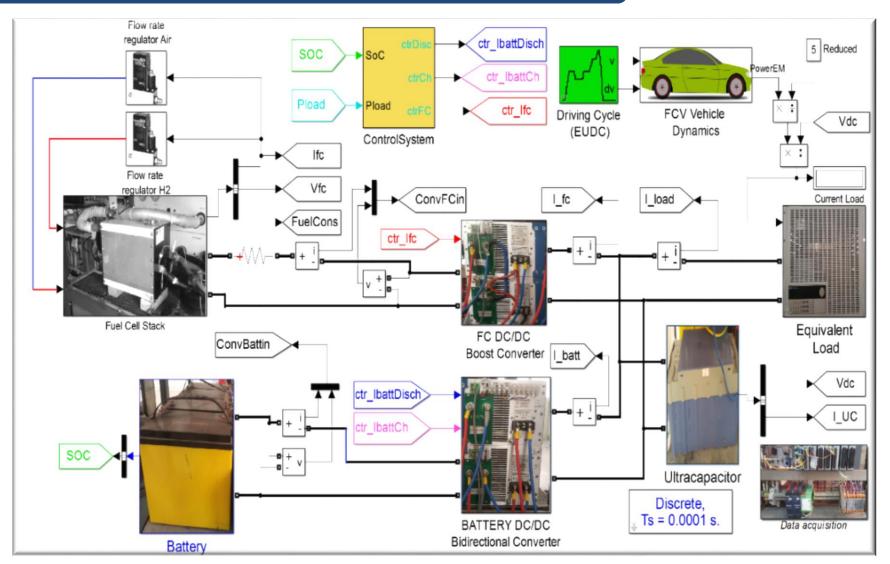
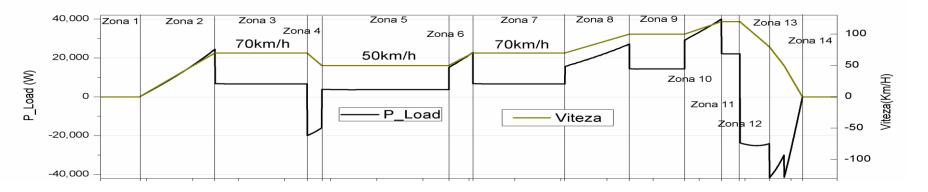


Figure 5.1. Matlab-Simulink diagram of the FCV



The EUDC driving cycle is divided into 14 areas, which are shown in next Figures.

Zone 1: At first the vehicle is stopped for a period of 20 seconds; in this zone 1 the fuel cell operates at minimum output of 3910W; this power is used to charge the battery system.

Zone 2: the vehicle accelerates slightly to 70 km / h in 41 seconds (simulated vehicle gearbox is automatic).

Depending on EMS implemented, the power flows are different.

Zone 3: the vehicle is moving at a speed of 70 km / h for 50 seconds.

Zone 4: the vehicle decelerates to 50 km / h in 8 seconds and then travels at 50 km / h for a period of 69 seconds (zone 5).

Then, the vehicle accelerates slightly to 70 km / h in 13 seconds (zone 6), by moving at a constant speed of 70 km / h for 50 seconds (zone 7).

In zone 8 vehicle reaches 100 km / h in 35 seconds and then keep the cruising speed for 30 seconds (zone 9).

Further, the vehicle accelerates to 120 km / h for 20 seconds (zone 10), followed by a cruising speed of 120 km / h for 10 seconds (zone 11).

Finally, in zones 12 and 13 vehicle brakes in two steps: in step 1, 16 seconds up to 70 km / h and in step 2 the vehicle is stopped in 18 seconds.

In the last zone (zone 14), the vehicle is stopped for 20 seconds.

The total duration of EUDC driving cycle is 400 seconds and distance covered with an average speed of 62.6 km / h is of 6956 meters.

# 4. Results for EMS based on states' diagram

#### 4.1. Load power & vehicle speed, FC power, battery power, and UC power

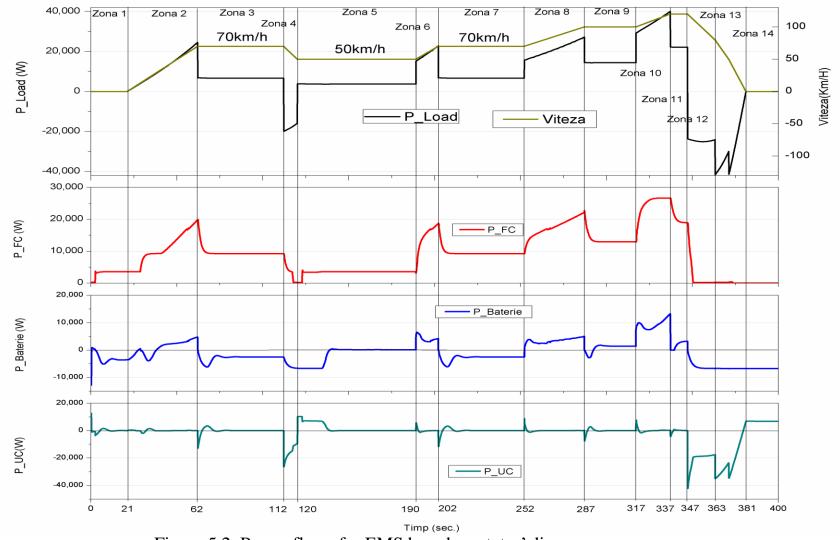


Figure 5.2. Power flows for EMS based on states' diagram

#### 4. Results for EMS based on PI regulators

#### 4.1. Load power & vehicle speed, FC power, battery power, and UC power

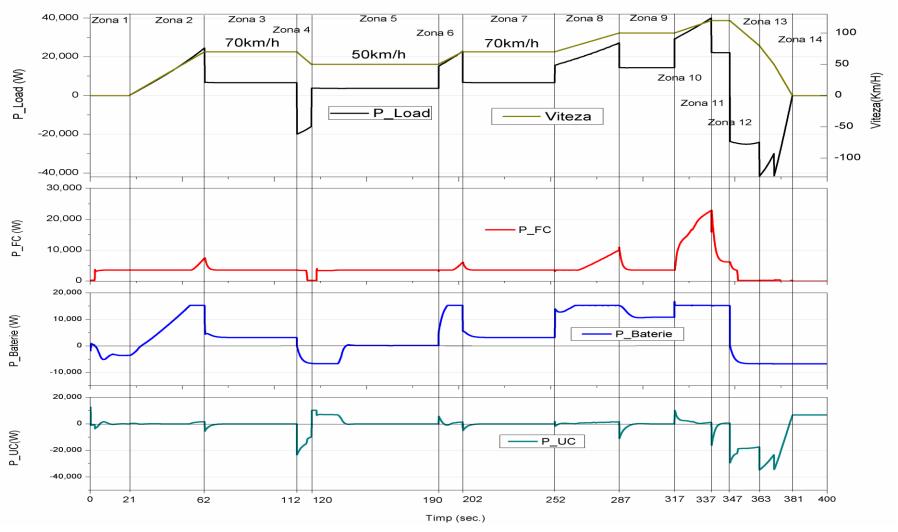


Figure 5.3. Power flows for EMS based on PI regulators

# 4. Results for EMS based on PI regulators

#### 4.1. H2 consumption, efficiency of H2 consumption, FC/HPS energy efficiency

efficiency of H2 consumption

$$eff_{H2} = \frac{100 * P_{FC}^{out}}{LHV * H2_{cons}}$$

FC energy efficiency

$$eff_{FC} = \frac{100 * P_{FCnet}}{P_{FCout}}$$

HPS energy efficiency

$$eff_{HPS} = \frac{P_{load}}{P_{FC}^{out} + P_{Bat}^{out} + P_{UC}^{out}}$$

H2 consumption

$$H2_{cons} = \frac{N}{F} \int_0^{420} i_{FC} dt$$

Figure 5.3. Power flows for EMS based on PI regulators

Power, voltage & current, H2 & air flows, H2 consumption, efficiency of H2 consumption & FC energy efficiency

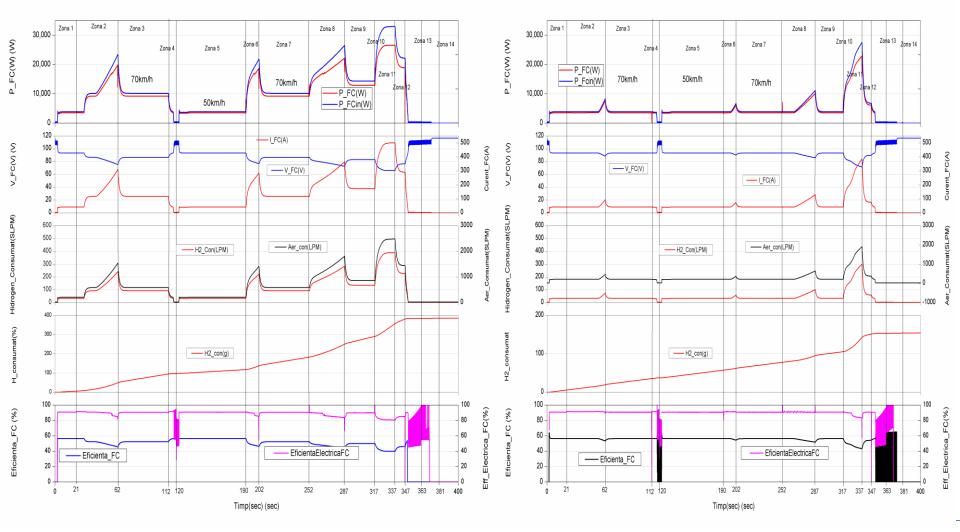


Figure 5.4. EMS based on states' diagram

Figure 5.4. EMS based on PI regulators

#### Power, voltage, current and SOC for batteries stack

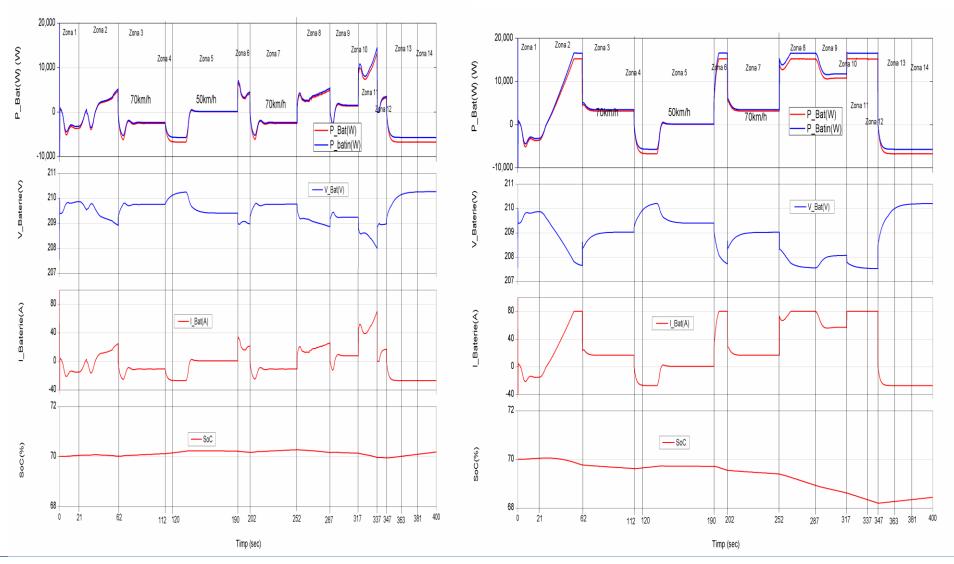


Figure 5.6. EMS based on states' diagram

Figure 5.7. EMS based on PI regulators

#### UC power, UC voltage, and UC current

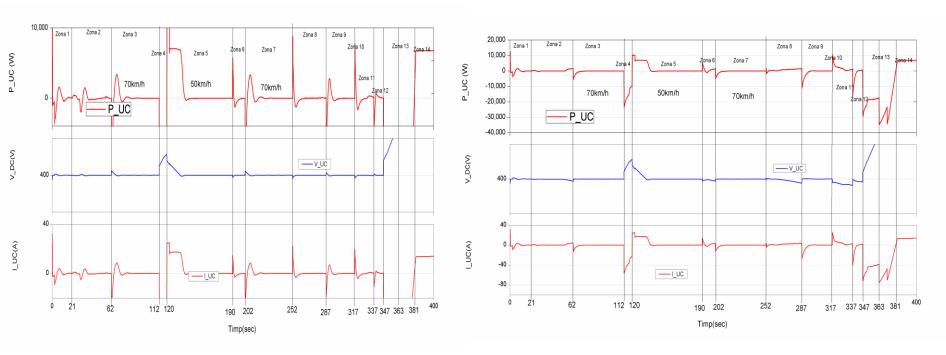


Figure 5.8. EMS based on states' diagram

Figure 5.9. EMS based on PI regulators

#### HPS energy efficiency

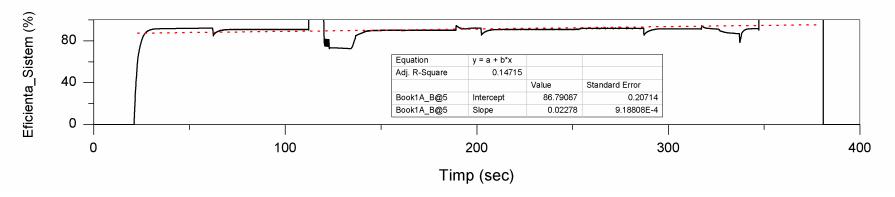


Figure 5.10. EMS based on states' diagram

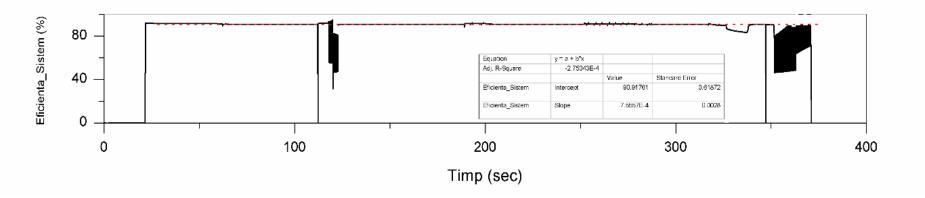


Figure 5.11. EMS based on PI regulators

# 5. Conclusion

Performance indicator	States' diagram	PI regulators
Battery SoC	70,2%	68,4%
H2 consumption	385 g	155 g
HPS energy efficiency	86,8%	90,9%

Table 5.1. Performance obtained

The EMS based on PI regulators performed better in terms of efficiency, highlighting an overall electrical efficiency with 4% greater in comparison with that obtained with EMS based on states' diagrams, but note that the battery SOC is with 2% lower due to high use (in discharge mode) in the last part of the driving cycle.

The EMS based on PI regulators has achieved but hydrogen consumption noticeably reduced by approx. 40% in comparison with that obtained with EMS based on states' diagrams.

The three criteria adopted for performance comparison of the two control strategies do not allow their hierarchy, because, as has been shown, both strategies shows both advantages and disadvantages during a driving cycle.

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#### 5. Future trends of energy management strategy for FCVs

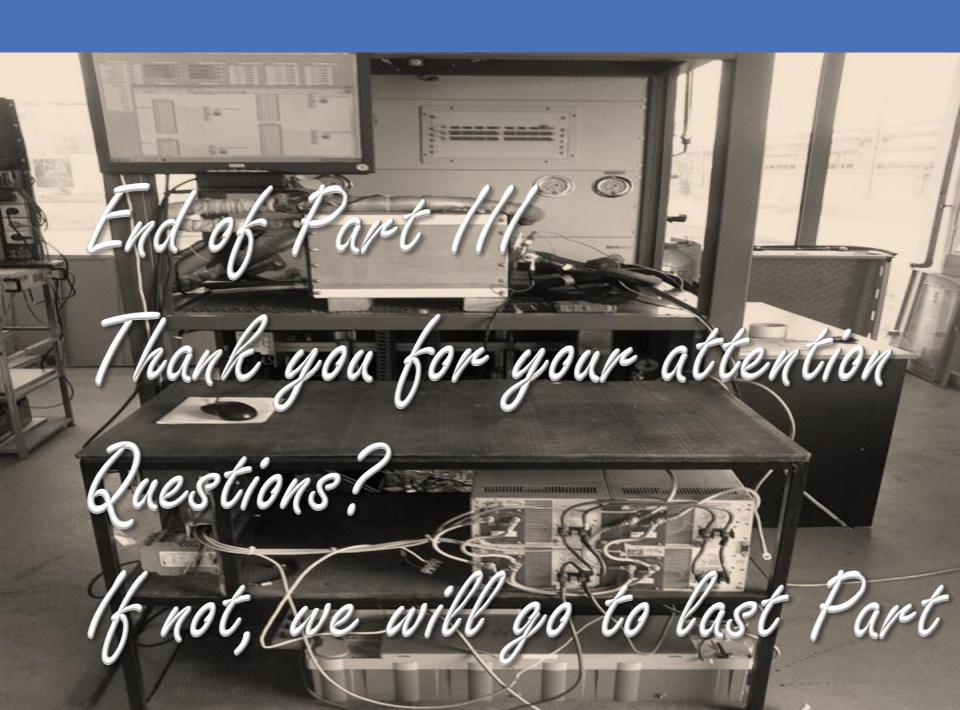
The latest reviews in field of FCVs' energy management strategy reveals that there are still some issues to be solved and others that must to be improved.

Firstly, the performances of all EMSs are dependent by driving cycle. Therefore, the intelligent-based EMS that will include a driving cycle recognition or driving cycle prediction could be a viable solution to improve the FCV performance. Anyway, these recognition or prediction technologies will increase computation time and the intelligent-based EMSs will be difficult to be implemented as the real-time algorithms. So, the EMS based on load-following technique could be an feasible alternative, being independent by driving cycle.

Secondly, multi-objective EMSs, which integrate into a optimization function the fuel economy, the FC energy efficiency, the safety of FCV, and comfort (drivability), are challenges for high-performance FCVs. Most of proposed EMSs only consider fuel economy of HEV, the FC energy efficiency or both, and few EMSs take into account the last two performance as penalty term in the optimization function.

Thirdly, the compromise between system complexity, level of computation needed and optimization performance of EMSs continue to be an open issue.

Finally, every eEMS has its own advantages and disadvantages. Thus, a standard to make a accurate and convincing evaluation of EMS will be helpful to design a suitable EMS for FCV with specific performance objectives.





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# Real-time optimization of the Renewable Energy Sources / Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Systems



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# Summary of Part 4 – <u>Advanced EMS for FC / Renewable HPS</u>

- Load-following Mode Control of a Standalone Renewable/Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Source (FC RES HPS)
- Improving the PEMFC energy efficiency by optimizing the fuelling rates based on extremum seeking algorithm
- Efficient Energy Control Strategies for a Standalone Renewable/Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Source
- 4 Global Maximum Power Point Tracking algorithms for Photovoltaic arrays under Partially Shaded Conditions
- Conclusions

#### 1.1. Architecture of the FC RES HPS

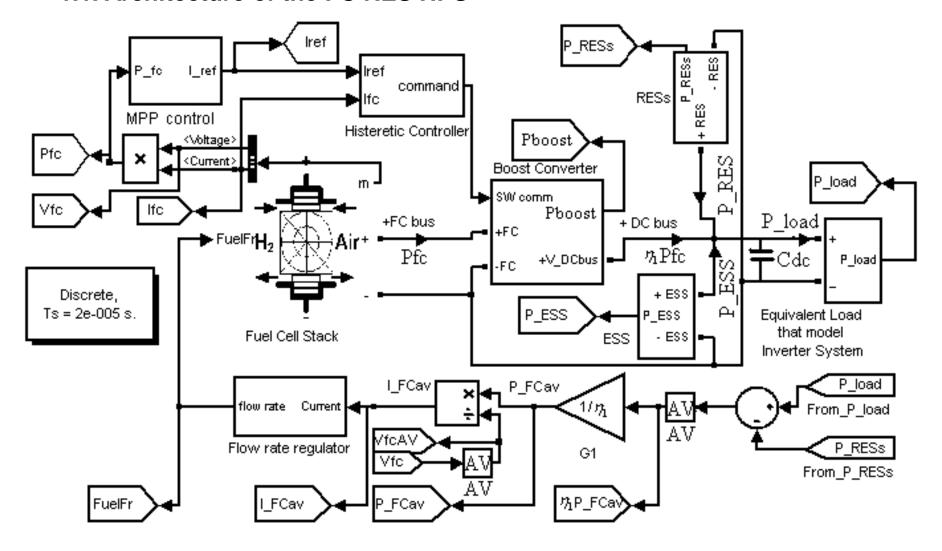


Figure 1. Diagram of FC RES HPS architecture

#### 1.2. Features of the load-following strategy

The load-following strategy has the following features:

- assures the grid active power based on power balancing strategy for the backup power source, which is the FC system;
- optimizes the energy efficiency of the FC system and each RES based on energy harvesting technique of MPP tracking type;
- compensates the energy gap between the load demand and the output power from the RESs and FC based on minimal batteries stack;
- mitigates the impact of HF perturbation on the load power due to the fluctuations of the electric utility grid and RES power based on controlled power flow exchanged with the ultracapacitors stack.

#### 1.3. FC Maximum Power Point (MPP) tracking control

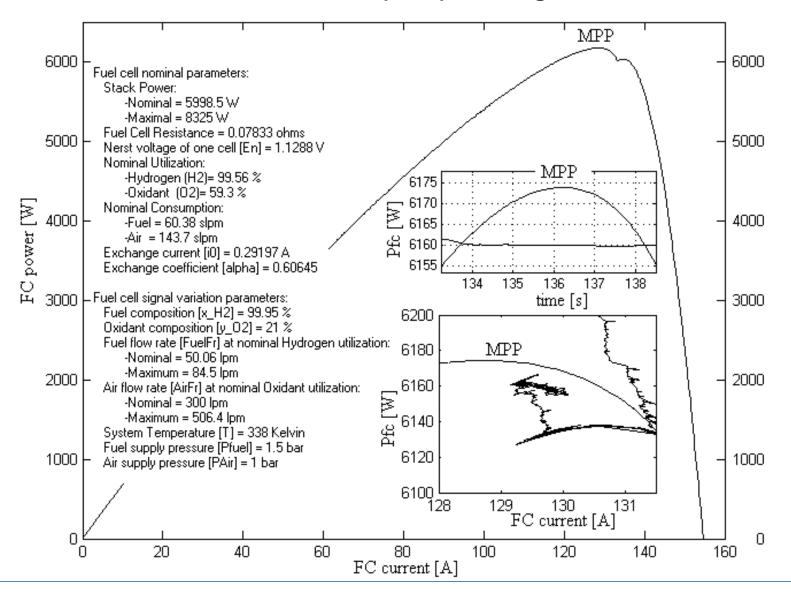


Figure 2. The FC parameters, P-I characteristic, and MPP tracking (zooms)

#### 1.4. Tracking Accuracy

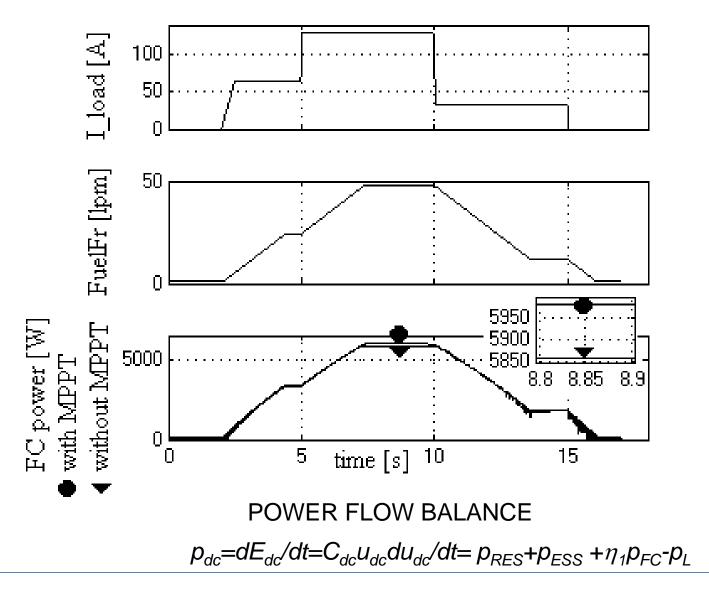
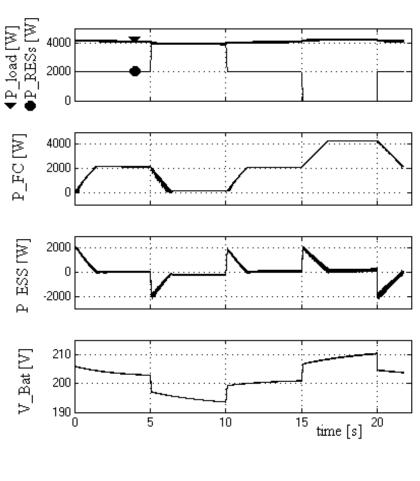
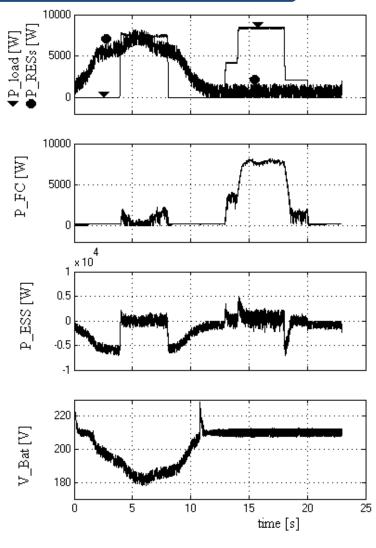


Figure 3. The load power profile to evaluate the FC energy harvested

#### 1.5. Results



under constant load



under variable load

#### 2. Improving the PEMFC energy efficiency

#### 2.1. PEMFC system

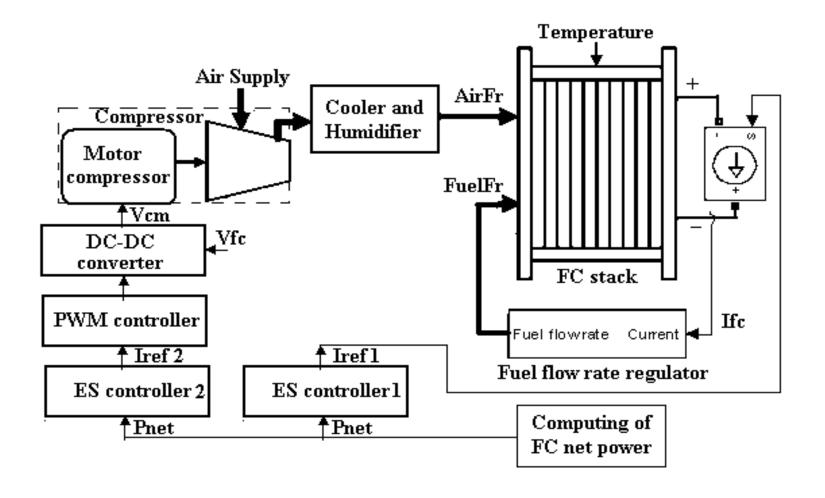


Figure 5. The Proton Exchange Membrane Fuel Cell (PEMFC) system

#### 2. Improving the PEMFC energy efficiency

#### 2.1. PEMFC system

$$P_{net} = V_{FC} \cdot I_{net}$$
  $P_{net} = P_{FC} - P_{aux}$ 

$$P_{cm} = (a_2 \cdot AirFr^2 + a_1 \cdot AirF + a_0) \cdot (b_1 \cdot I_{FC} + b_0) \cdot k_{cm}$$

$$G_{d(cm)} = \frac{\omega_{cm}^2}{s^2 + 2\xi_{cm}\omega_{cm} \cdot s + \omega_{cm}^2}$$

$$\eta_{sys} = P_{net} / P_{FC}$$

$$p_{o2} = \frac{\frac{1}{k_{o2}}}{1 + t_{o2} \cdot s} (AirFr \cdot y_{o2} - \frac{N_c}{4FU_{o2}} I_{FC}), t_{o2} = \frac{V_{catode}}{R \cdot (273 + \theta) \cdot k_{o2}}$$

$$p_{H2} = \frac{\frac{1}{k_{H2}}}{1 + t_{H2} \cdot s} (FuelFr \cdot y_{H2} - 2\frac{N_c}{4FU_{H2}} I_{FC}), t_{H2} = \frac{V_{anode}}{R \cdot (273 + \theta) \cdot k_{H2}}$$

$$AirFr = \frac{60000 \cdot R \cdot \left(273 + \theta\right) \cdot N_C \cdot i_{FC}}{4F \cdot \left(101325 \cdot P_{f(O2)}\right) \cdot \left(U_{f(O2)} / 100\right) \cdot \left(y_{O2} / 100\right)}$$

$$FuelFr = \frac{60000 \cdot R \cdot (273 + \theta) \cdot N_C \cdot i_{FC}}{2F \cdot (101325 \cdot P_{f(H2)}) \cdot (U_{f(H2)} / 100) \cdot (x_{H2} / 100)}$$

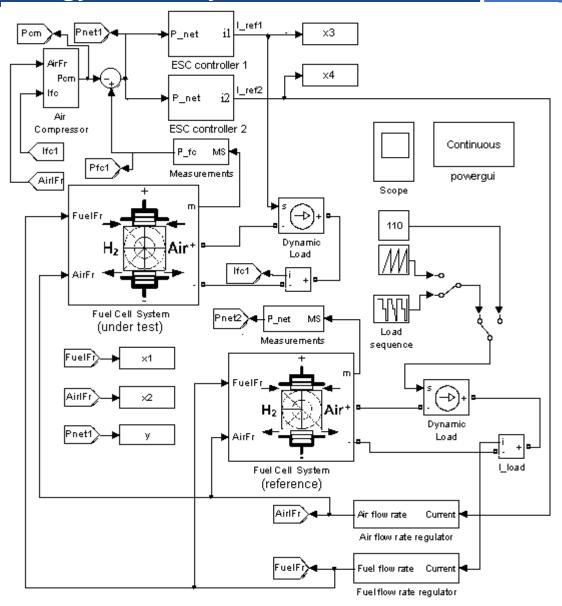
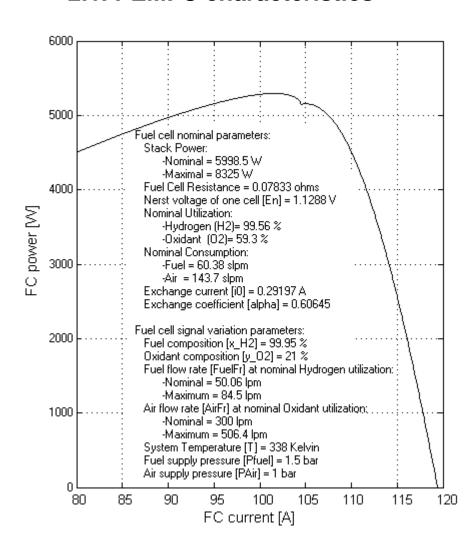


Figure 6. The simulation diagram

#### 2.1. PEMFC characteristics



AirFr [lpm] Ifc [A] Ifc [A] AirFr [lpm]

Figure 7. The FC parameters and the P-I characteristic for FuelFr and AirFr of 40.69 lpm and 245.3 lpm

Figure 8. The FC net power surface for two compressors types

#### 2.1. PEMFC characteristics

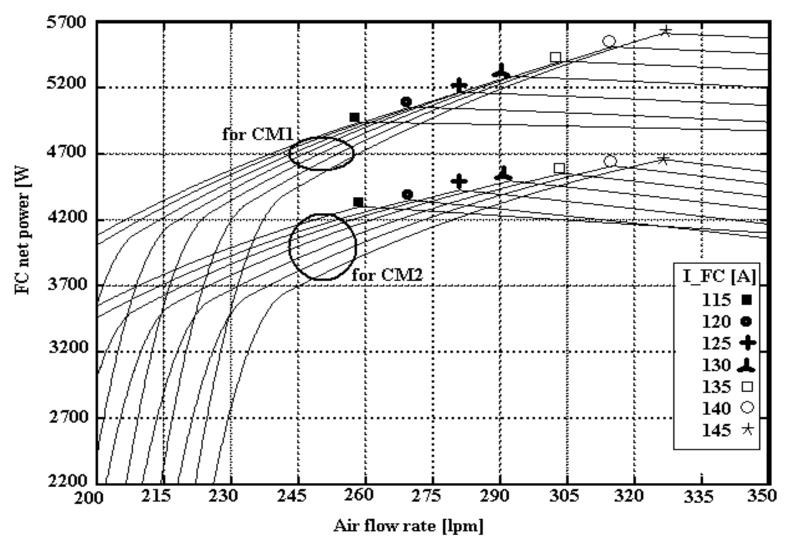


Figure 9. The net power characteristics of the 6 kW PEMFC stack under different load power levels (the air supplied by the compressor 1 and 2)

### 2.2. The single-input dual-output Extremum Seeking (SIDOES) control scheme

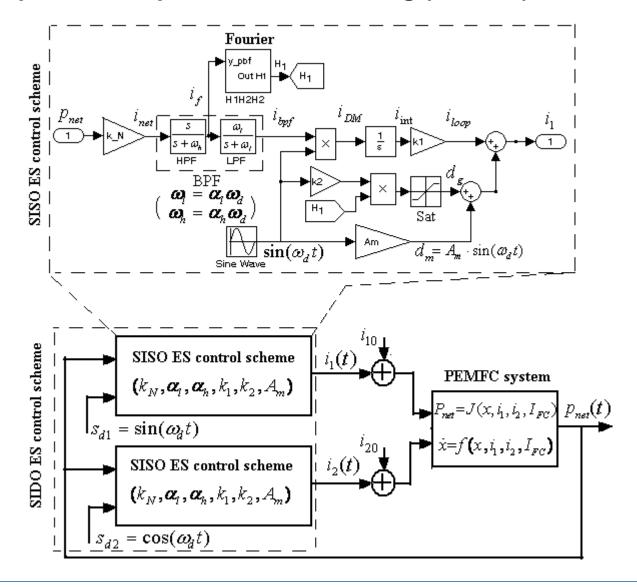


Figure 10. The SIDOES control scheme

### 2.3. The static feed-forward (sFF) control technique

The static feed-forward (sFF) control technique will be used as reference to report the improvements on FC net power.

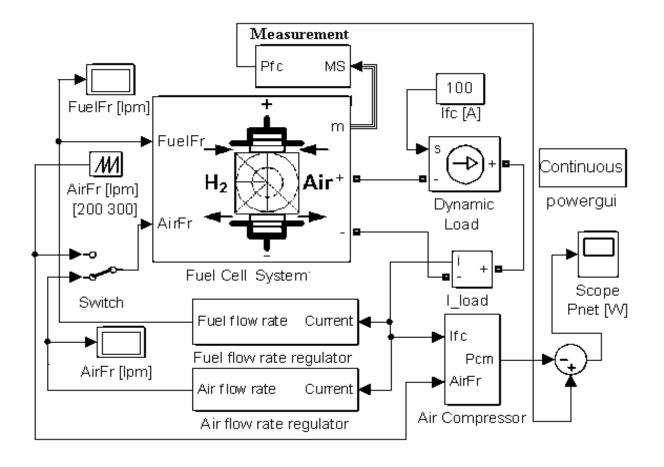


Figure 11. The diagram to compute the FC net power under sFF control

## 2.3. The static feed-forward (sFF) control technique

I <sub>FC</sub> [A]	FuelFr <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	AirFr <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	P <sub>net1</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm1</sub> [W]	P <sub>net2</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm2</sub> [W]	P <sub>FC</sub> [W]	η <sub>sys1</sub> [%]	η <sub>sys2</sub> [%]
115	43.19	258.8	4730	636.2	4094	1272	5366	88.1	76.3
120	45	270.1	4870	675	4194	1350	5545	87.8	75.6
125	46.94	281.3	5004	714.7	4289	1429	5719	87.5	75.0
130	48.82	300.7	5134	754.7	4379	1509	5889	87.2	74.4
135	50.7	303.8	5259	795.1	4463	1590	6054	86.9	73.7
140	52.58	315.1	5380	825.9	4544	1672	6216	86.6	73.1
145	54.45	326.3	5498	877	4619	1754	6373	86.3	72.5

Table 1. The FC net power under sFF control for airFR and FuelFr of the 6 kW FC stack supplied by CM1 and CM2

#### 2.4. sFF control for the FuelFr and ES control for the AirFr

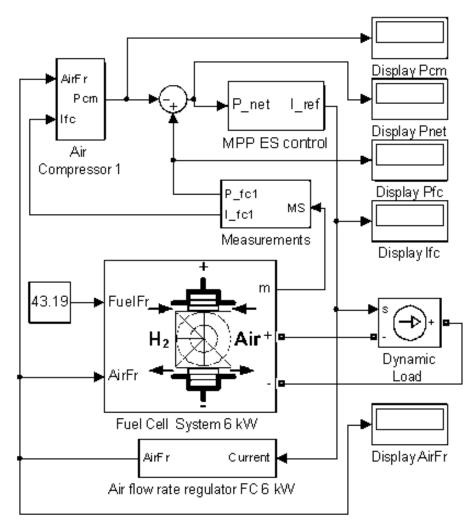


Figure 12. The diagram to compute the FC net power under sFF control for the FuelFr and ES control for the AirFr

#### 2.4. sFF control for the FuelFr and ES control for the AirFr

FuelFr <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	I <sub>FC1a</sub> [A]	AirFrM <sub>1a</sub> [lpm]	P <sub>net1a</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm1a</sub> [W]	P <sub>FC1a</sub> [W]	η <sub>sys1a</sub> [%]
43.19	113.1	254.6	4866	621	5487	88.7
45	117.8	266.2	5009	657	5666	88.4
46.94	122.8	276.5	5158	697	5855	88.1
48.82	127.7	287.4	5298	735	6034	87.8
50.7	132.6	298.3	5434	774	6208	87.5
52.58	137.4	309.3	5566	813	6379	87.3
54.45	142.2	320.1	5693	853	6546	87.0

Table 2. The FC net power under aES control for AirFr of the 6 kW FC stack supplied by CM1

FuelFr <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	I <sub>FC2a</sub> [A]	AirFrM <sub>2a</sub> [lpm]	P <sub>net2a</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm2a</sub> [W]	P <sub>FC2a</sub> [W]	η <sub>sys2a</sub> [%]
43.19	113.1	254.6	4245	1243	5487	77.4
45	117.8	266.2	4353	1314	5666	76.8
46.94	122.8	276.5	4463	1392	5855	76.2
48.82	127.7	287.4	4564	1470	6034	75.6
50.7	132.6	298.3	4661	1548	6208	75.1
52.58	137.4	309.3	4753	1626	6379	74.5
54.45	142.2	320.1	4840	1706	6546	73.9

Table 3. The FC net power under aES control for AirFr of the 6 kW FC stack supplied by CM2

### 2.5. sFF control for the AirFr and ES control for the FuelFr

AirFrM <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	I <sub>FC1f</sub> [A]	FuelFr <sub>1f</sub> [lpm]	P <sub>net1f</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm1f</sub> [W]	P <sub>FC1f</sub> [W]	η <sub>sys1f</sub> [%]
258.8	128.3	48.18	5214	192	5406	96.4
270.1	132.4	49.74	5376	201	5577	96.4
281.3	136.4	51.25	5533	210	5743	96.3
300.7	143.2	53.79	5797	225	6022	96.3
303.8	144.3	54.19	5838	228	6066	96.2
315.1	148.1	55.62	5986	237	6223	96.2
326.3	151.8	57.01	6129	247	6376	96.1

Table 4. The FC net power under aES control for FuelFr of the 6 kW FC stack supplied by CM1

AirFrM <sub>sFF</sub> [lpm]	I <sub>FC2f</sub> [A]	FuelFr <sub>2f</sub> [lpm]	P <sub>net2f</sub> [W]	P <sub>cm2f</sub> [W]	P <sub>FC2f</sub> [W]	η <sub>sys2f</sub> [%]
258.8	128.3	48.18	5022	384	5406	92.9
270.1	132.4	49.74	5175	402	5577	92.8
281.3	136.4	51.25	5323	420	5743	92.7
300.7	143.2	53.79	5572	450	6022	92.5
303.8	144.3	54.19	5610	456	6066	92.5
315.1	148.1	55.62	5749	474	6223	92.4
326.3	151.8	57.01	5882	494	6376	92.3

Table 5. The FC net power under aES control for FuelFr of the 6 kW FC stack supplied by CM2

### 2.6. ES control for FuelFr and ES search of the optimum AirFr based on FC current

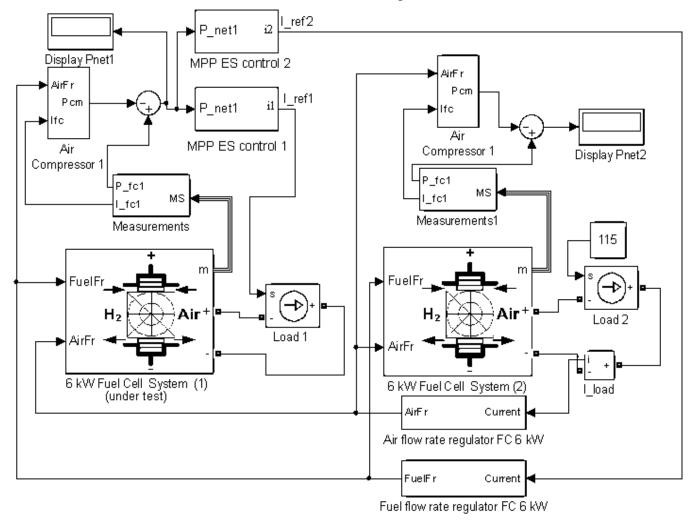


Figure 13. The diagram to evaluate the improvement in the FC net power considering the ES control for FuelFr and ES search of the optimum AirFr based on FC current

### 2.7. ES control for AirFr and ES search of the optimum FuelFr based on FC current

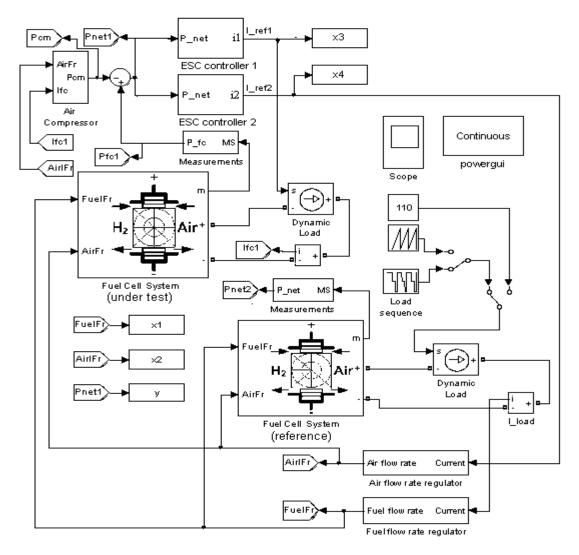


Figure 14. The diagram to evaluate the improvement in the FC net power considering the ES control for AirFr and ES search of the optimum FuelFr based on FC current

### 2.6. The improvements in the FC net power

I <sub>FC</sub> [A]	$\Delta P_{net(1fa)}$	$\Delta P_{net(2fa)}$	$\Delta P_{\text{net(1af)}}$	$\Delta P_{\text{net(2af)}}$
	[W]	[W]	[W]	[W]
115	333	516	111	121
120	337	539	118	129
125	342	563	126	137
130	348	589	134	146
135	355	616	142	155
140	363	645	150	164
145	373	675	159	173

Table 6. The improvements in the FC net power using simulation diagram from Figure 13 ( $\Delta P_{\text{net(1fa)}}$  and  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2fa)}}$ ) and Figure 14 ( $\Delta P_{\text{net(1af)}}$  and  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2af)}}$ ) for both compressors (CM1 and CM2)

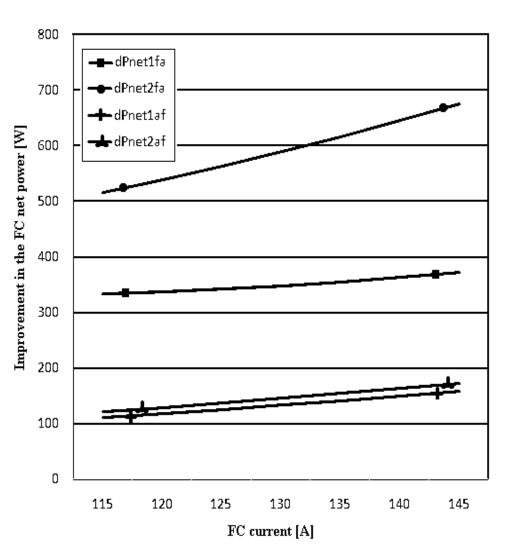


Figure 15. The improvement in the FC net power

#### 2.7. Conclusion

ES control for FuelFr and ES search of the optimum AirFr based on FC current:

- the improvement in the net power  $\Delta P_{\text{net(1fa)}}$  increases with a rate of 1.3 W/A;
- the improvement in the net power  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2fa)}}$  increases with a rate of 5.3 W/A
- the relative improvement in the FC net power,  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2fa)}} / \Delta P_{\text{net(1fa)}}$ , has values in range 1.5 to 1.8.

This means that the PEMFC system must to be mandatory operated close to the MEP if the power losses are high, otherwise the energy efficiency decreases dramatically.

ES control for AirFr and ES search of the optimum FuelFr based on FC current:

- the improvement in the net power  $\Delta P_{\text{net(1af)}}$  increases with a rate of 1.6 W/A;
- the improvement in the net power  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2af)}}$  increases with a rate of 1.73 W/A
- the relative improvement in the FC net power,  $\Delta P_{\text{net(2af)}} / \Delta P_{\text{net(1af)}}$ , has values about of 1.09.

This means that in this case the improvements in FC net power are less sensitive to power losses and load level.

This also sustains that the improvement in the FC net power is less sensitive to power losses if the optimum AirFr is set by the ES controller.

The MEP is more sensitive to FuelFr changes than the changes in AirFr. So, under dynamic load, it is recommended a load following control of the FuelFr and an optimal control of the AirFr based on appropriate strategy that can maximize the energy efficiency.

# 2.7. Energy Management Unit (EMU) for FC RES HPS

### The objectives of this section are:

- (1) To apply the load-following (LF) control based on the MEP tracking (MEPT) control scheme in order to ensure the load demand;
- (2) To improve the fuel consumption and fuel efficiency that are both used as performances indicators based on control of both fuel flow rates;
- (3) To find a methodology to compare the four EMU control topologies based on the performances indicators proposed;
- (4) To shown the advantage of the LF control that operates the ESS in CS mode under any load demand, with direct implications in the size and cost of the RES/FC HPS;
- (5) To shown the advantage of the MEPT control that operates efficiently the FC stack considering the variability of RES and load power profiles, with direct implications in efficiency of the whole RES/FC HPS.

### 2.7. Energy Management Unit (EMU) for FC RES HPS

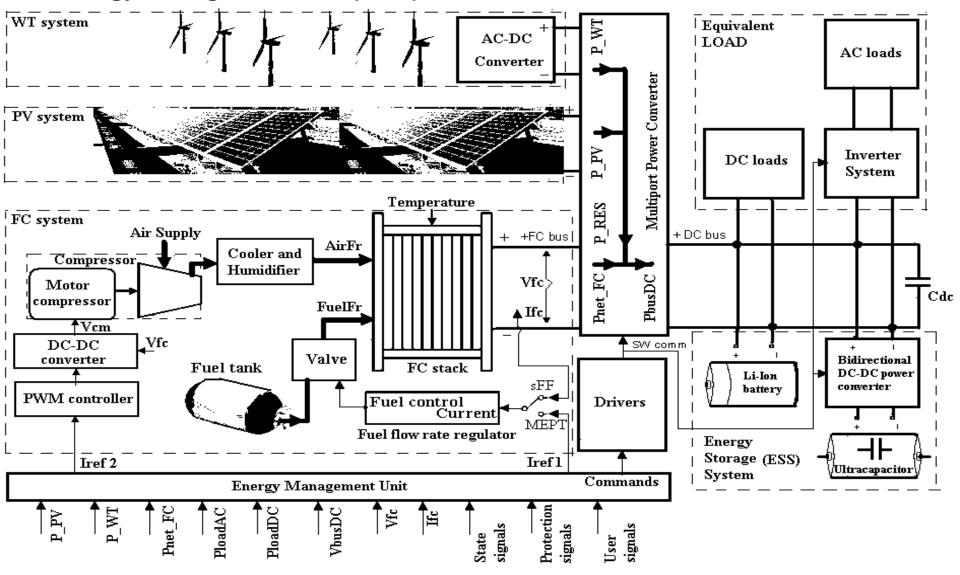


Figure 16. The standalone Renewable/Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Source system

## 3.1. Energy Management Unit (EMU) for FC RES HPS

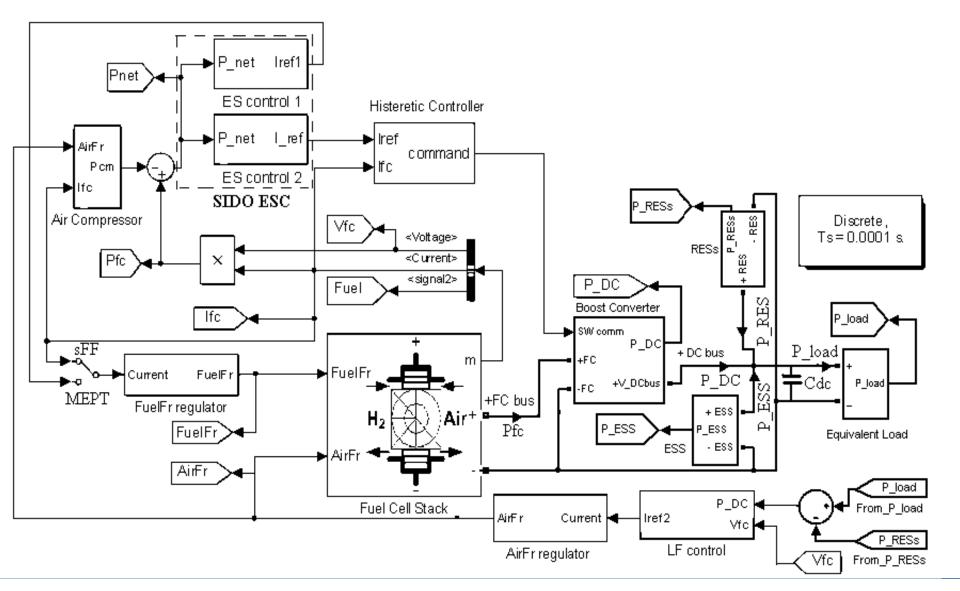


Figure 17. The simulation diagram for Air-LF/Fuel-ESC and Air-LF/Fuel-sFF cases

## 3.1. Energy Management Unit (EMU) for FC RES HPS

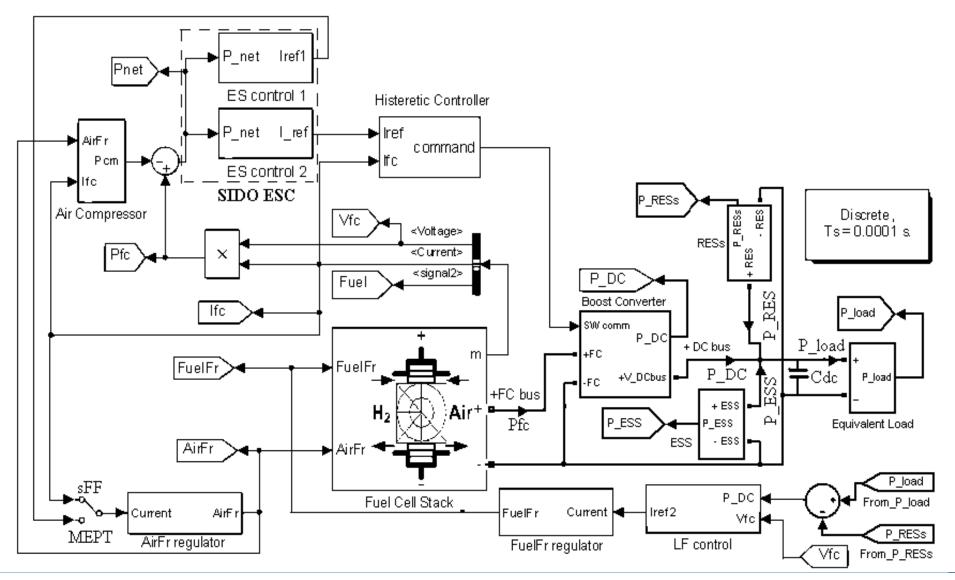


Figure 18. The simulation diagram for Air-ESC/Fuel-LF and Air-sFF/Fuel-LF cases

### 3.2. The FC net power characteristics

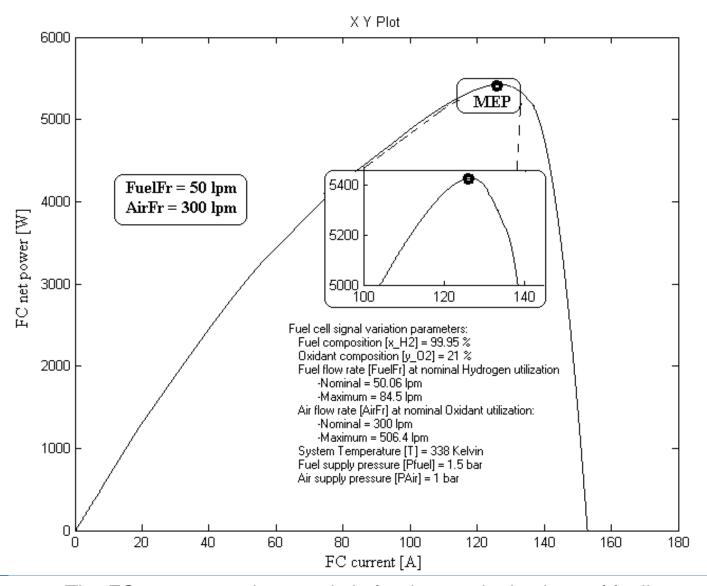


Figure 19. The FC net power characteristic for the nominal values of fueling rates

### 3.2. The FC net power characteristics

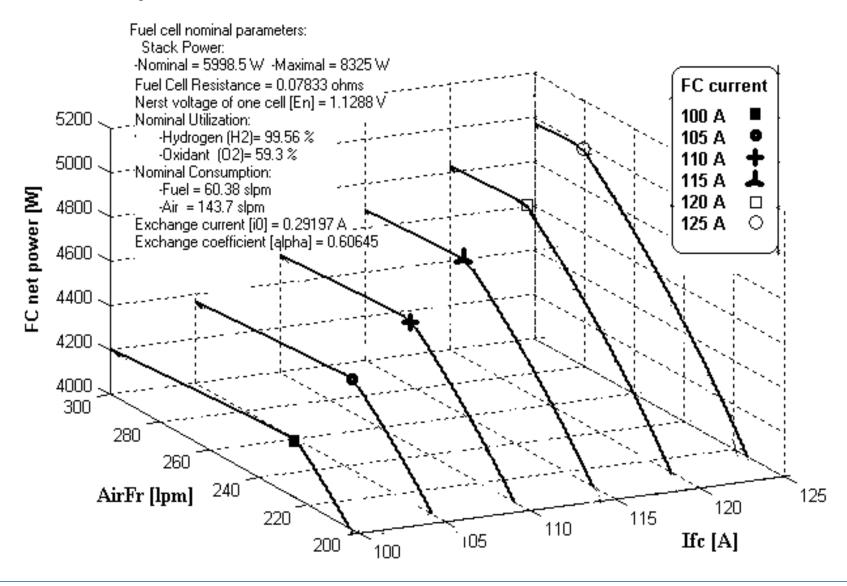
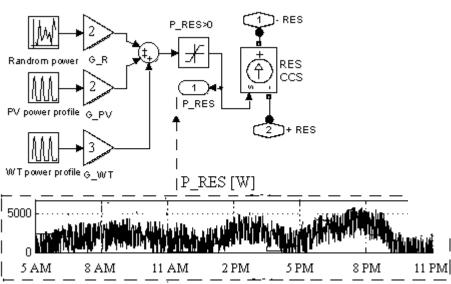


Figure 20. The FC net power surface

### 3.3. The RES and load power characteristics

Figure 21. The diagram and power profile of the RES



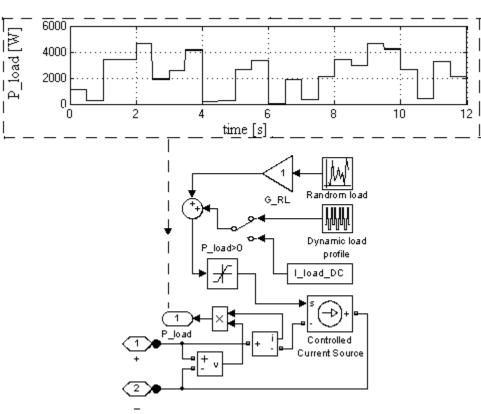


Figure 22. The diagram and power profile of the dynamic load

### 3.4. Energy Management Unit (EMU) for FC RES HPS

All HPS topologies proposed are based on an MEPT and LF control loops that generate the reference currents:  $I_{ref}$ , for the boost controller, and  $I_{ref2}$  and  $I_{ref2}$ , for the FuelFr and AirFr regulators, respectively.

If  $I_{FC}$  current is used to control the FuelFr regulator or the AirFr regulator, instead of the  $I_{ref1}$  current, then other two fueling control configurations will be obtained based on the sFF control scheme.

$$P_{RES} + \eta_{boost} P_{FCnet} + P_{ESS} - P_{Load} = 0$$
  
 $P_{ESS} = 0$  during a drive cycle  
 $I_{ref2} = I_{FC(AV)} = (P_{Load} - P_{RES})/(V_{FC} \eta_{boost})$ 

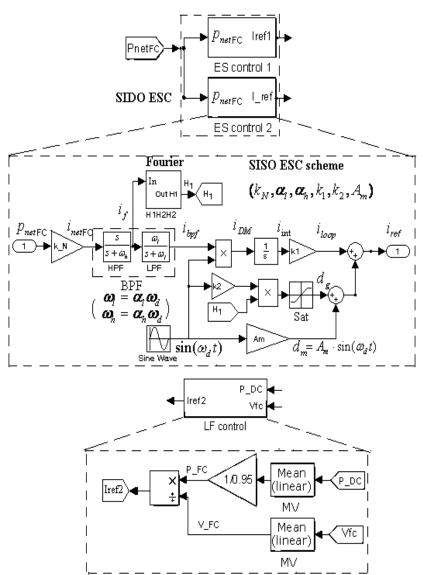


Figure 23. The diagrams of the EMU controllers

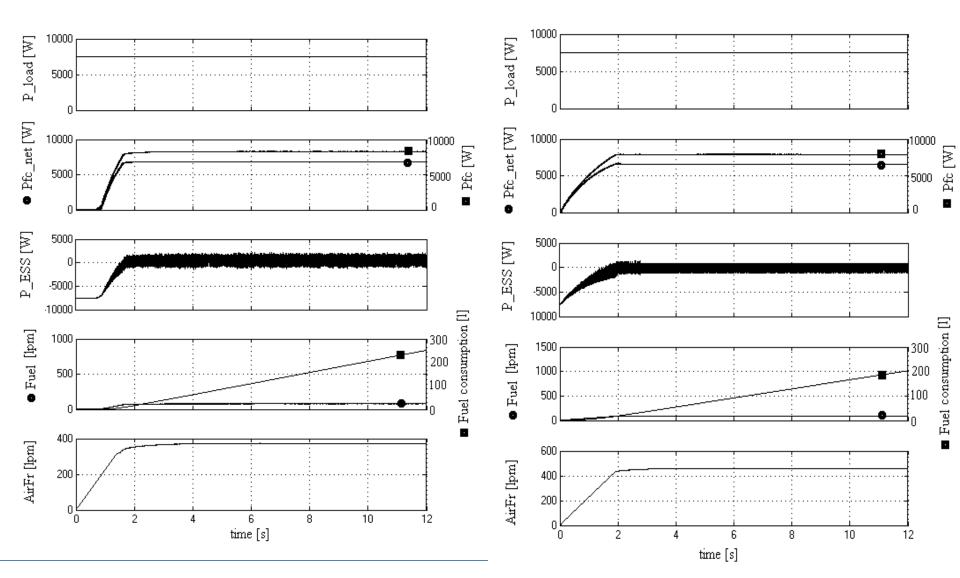


Figure 24. The results for Air-LF/Fuel-ESC EMU Figure 25. The results for Air-LF/Fuel-sFF EMU

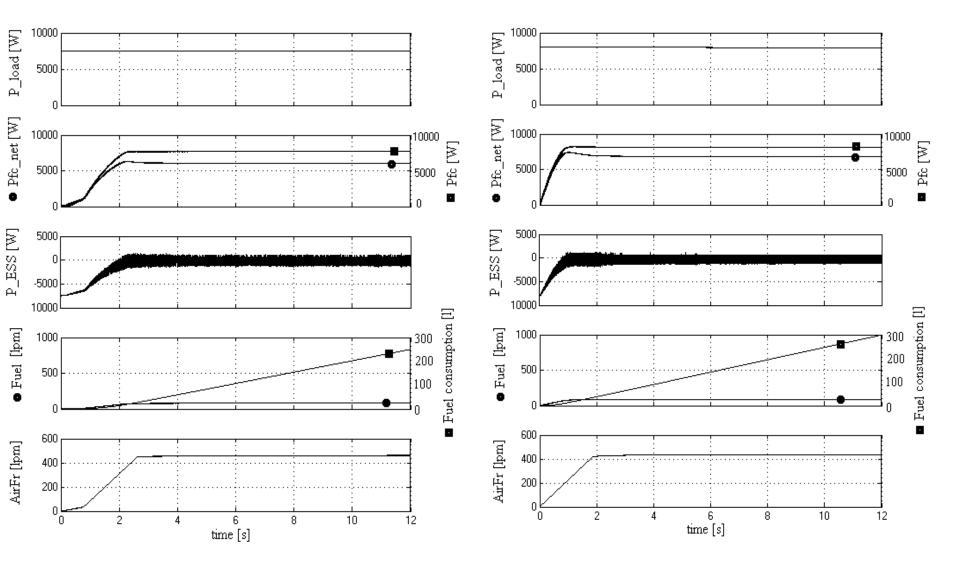


Figure 26. The results for Air-ESC/Fuel-LF EMU Figure 27. The results for Air-sFF/Fuel-LF EMU

Diagram A]	F	C net	powe	er, P <sub>ne</sub>	<sub>ttFC</sub> [W	/]	Fuel consumption, F [I]						Fuel efficiency [J/I]					
Dia I <sub>load</sub> [A]	5	10	15	20	25	30	2	10	15	20	25	30	2	10	15	20	25	30
Air-LF/ Fuel-ESC	1613	3131	4309	5318	6131	6850	32.54	70	89.66	125.34	144.08	167.62	558.5	497.45	474.25	461.6	450.6	440.9
Air-ESC/ Fuel-LF	793.6	2003	3205	4152	5157	6064	22.71	47.66	73	100.56	130.48	166.56	467.6	509.5	499.45	467.2	432.35	396.1
Air-LF/ Fuel-sFF	1588	2925	3989	4874	5674	6639	39.22	75.84	105.44	130.78	156.68	203	480.35	453.3	440.45	430.05	413.95	363.8
Air-sFF/ Fuel-LF	1306	2553	3699	5442	5886	9839	25.5	54.66	83.86	117.44	155.5	199	596.5	556.5	526.5	487.75	446.5	403.6

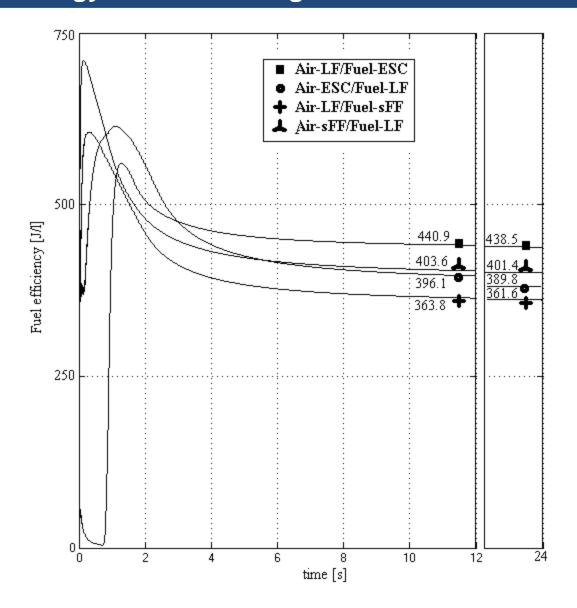


Figure 28. Fuel efficiency indicators for a load current of 30 A

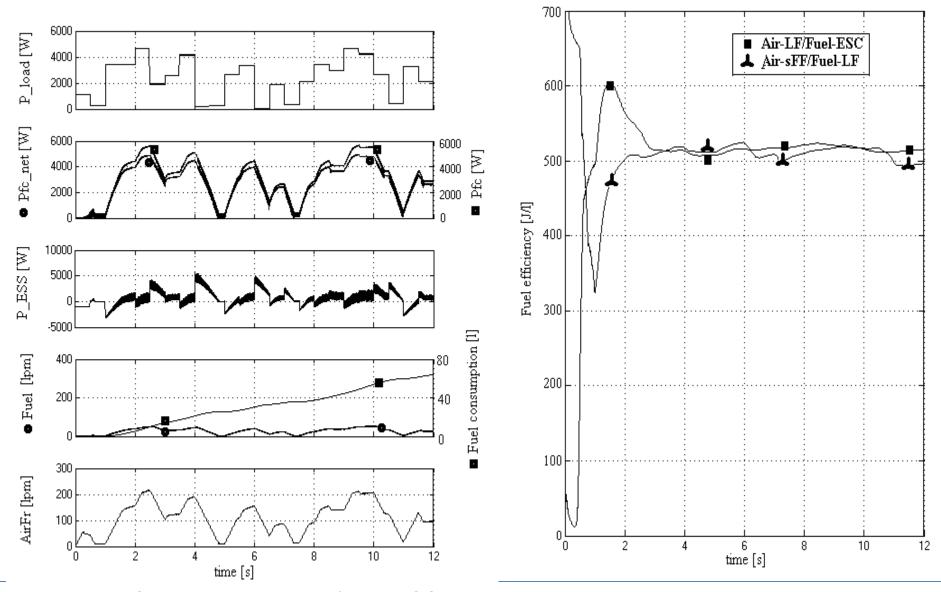


Fig 29. The FC response for Air-LF/ Fuel-ESC EMU and fuel efficiency under random load

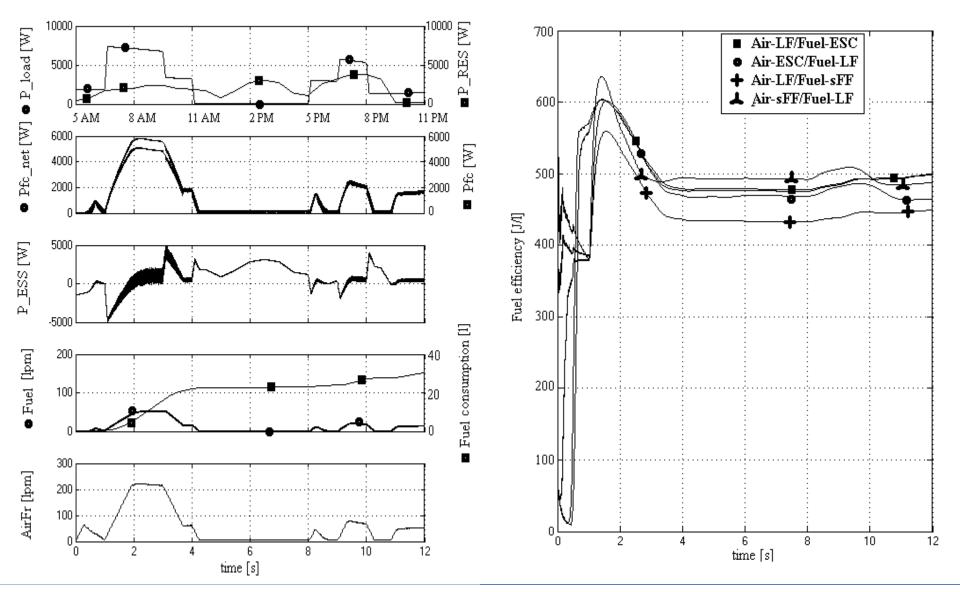


Fig. 30. The FC response for Air-LF/ Fuel-ESC EMU and fuel efficiency under variable load & RES

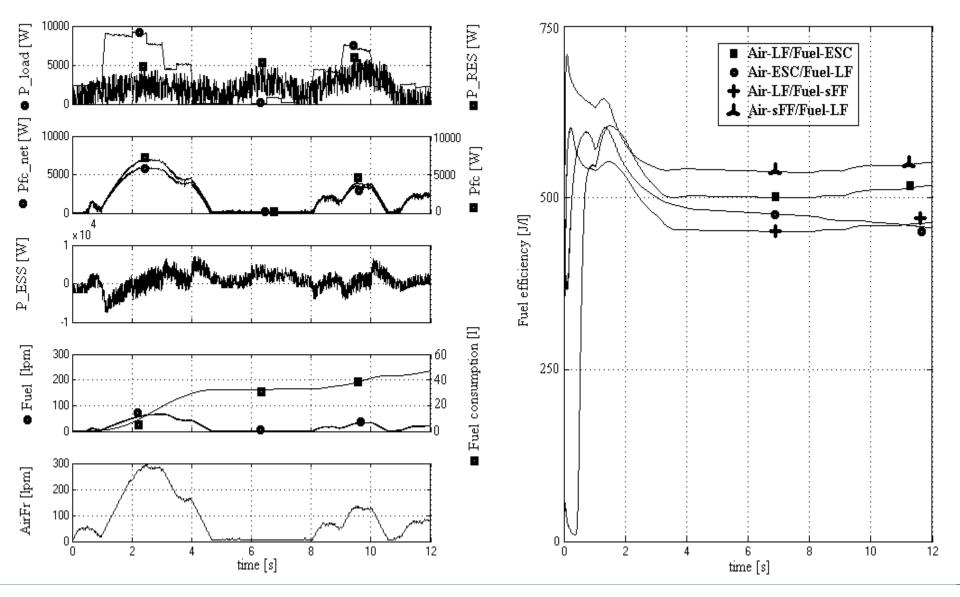


Fig. 31. The FC response for Air-LF/ Fuel-ESC EMU and fuel efficiency under variable load & RES

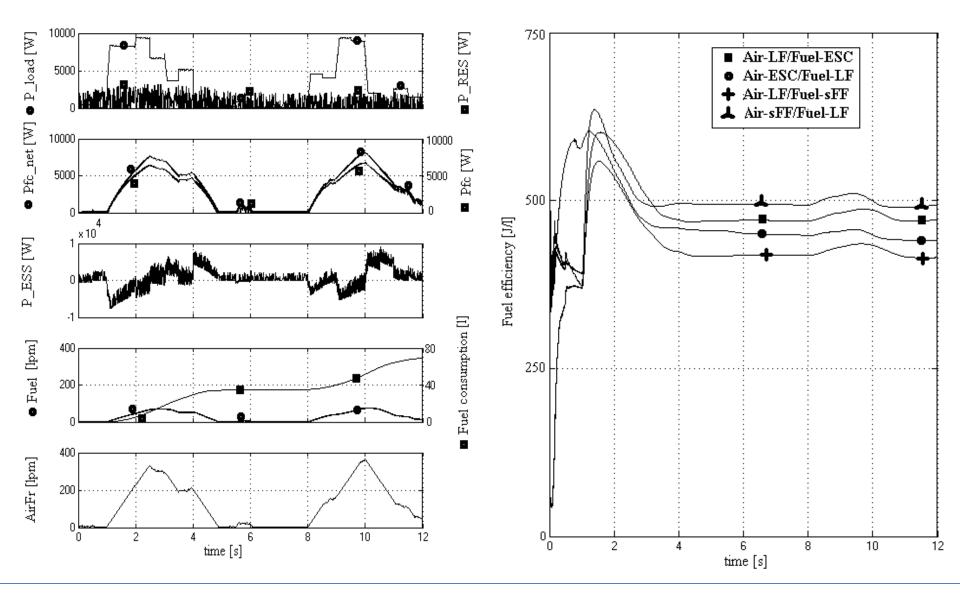


Fig. 32. The FC response for Air-LF/ Fuel-ESC EMU and fuel efficiency under variable load & RES

#### 3.6. Conclusion

The main contributions of the analysis made in this section are the following:

- (1) the Air-sFF/Fuel-LF control topology is more efficient that others control topologies analyzed under different load and RES power profiles (an increase of 3-5% of fuel efficiency indicator was observed in comparison with the Air-LF/Fuel-ESC control topology, which is the next control topology that ensure a high value of the fuel efficiency indicator);
- (2) the fuel consumption is minimum for the Air-ESC/Fuel-LF control topology (the reduction of the fuel consumption value for the Air-ESC/ Fuel-LF control diagram in comparison with the minimum value obtained with other control diagrams depends by the load, being in range of 5-75%);
- (3) both Air-LF/Fuel-ESC and Air-sFF/Fuel-LF control topologies are efficient for the FC HPS under pulsed loads;
- (4) the Air-LF/Fuel-ESC control topology is efficient at FC rated power (an increase of 6.7% of fuel efficiency indicator was observed in comparison with the Air-sFF/Fuel-LF control topology, which is the next control topology that ensure a high value of the fuel efficiency indicator)

Finally, it may be concluded that the performances of the EMU strategy depend by the availability of the RES power, and level and dynamics of the load.

# 4.1. Global Maximum Power Point (GMPP) algorithms

- •The main objective of this section is to present an overview in the Global Maximum Power Point (GMPP) algorithms applied on power generated by the Photovoltaic (PV) arrays.
- Besides this survey on the GMPP algorithms proposed in last decade, the Perturbed-based Extremum Seeking Control (PESC) methods and their applications in PV arrays under Partially Shaded Conditions (PSCs) are investigated as well.
- The PESC schemes proposed to seek and track the GMPP of the PV power will be analyzed as performance obtained for the following indicators:
- the searching resolution,
- tracking accuracy,
- tracking efficiency,
- tracking speed,
- and percent of the hit count.

#### 4.1. Performance indicators

The searching resolution (Rs) is defined by:

$$R_{S} = \frac{\min_{i} |y_{GMPP} - y_{LMPPi}|}{y_{GMPP}} \cdot 100[\%]$$

The tracking accuracy  $(T_{acc})$  is defined by:

$$T_{acc} = \frac{y_{PV}}{y_{GMPP}} \cdot 100[\%]$$

where ypy is the PV power that is theoretically available and y<sub>GMPP</sub> is the power extracted by the GMPP algorithm.

The number of iterations to locate the GMPP is a measure of the tracking speed. An iteration for the PESC-based GMPPT algorithms means a dither period (which is a step of scanning). Iteration can be defined for all GMPPT algorithms and it refers to the number of times the specific function of the algorithm is calculated, and this is related only to the method

### 4.1. Performance indicators

The tracking efficiency  $(T_{eff})$  is given by:

$$T_{eff} = \frac{\int_{0}^{t} y_{PV} dt}{\int_{0}^{t} y_{GMPP} dt} \cdot 100[\%]$$

The percent of the hit count (PHC) is defined by:

$$PHC = \frac{\text{number of positive results in finding the GMPP}}{\text{number of tests performed}} \cdot 100[\%]$$

The results obtained will be shown and commented as well. The performance of the PESC-based GMPPT algorithms will be compared with that of other GMPP algorithms proposed in the literature. Different PV and nonlinear multimodal patterns will be used to test the PESC-based GMPPT schemes. The results obtained under different PSCs simulated have shown a very good performance related to search speed and tracking accuracy of the PESC-based GMPPT algorithms.

### 4.2. Asymptotic Perturbed Extremum Seeking Control (aPESC) scheme

- •The first Asymptotic Perturbed Extremum Seeking Control (aPESC) scheme was proposed in [41] for GMPP search based on Scalar PESC (PESCs) scheme. The PESCs scheme and its Asymptotic variant (aPESCs) are shown in Figure 1 for switch in position (1) and (2).
- •[41] Tan Y, Nešic D, Mareels I, Astolfi A. On global extremum seeking in the presence of local extrema. Automatica

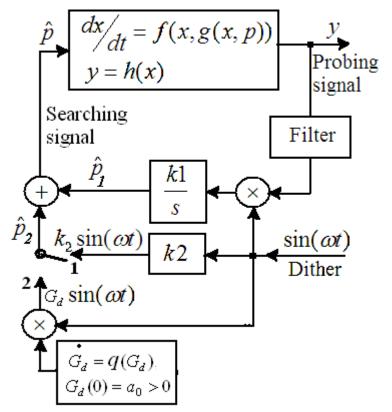
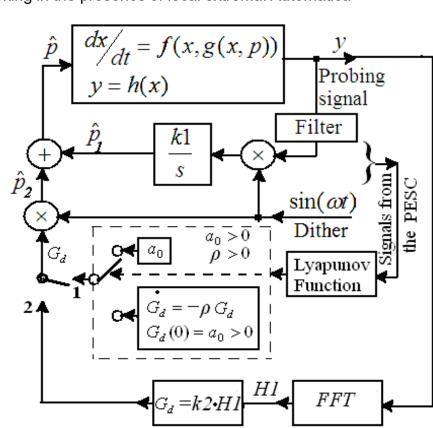


 Figure 1. The scalar PESC (PESCs) scheme and its asymptotic variant (aPESCs)



•Figure 2. The aPESC schemes based on (1) the Lyapunov function (aPESCLy) and (2) the H1 harmonic (aPESCH1)

## 4.2. Asymptotic Perturbed Extremum Seeking Control (aPESC) scheme

•The tracking loop is the same for all aPESC schemes proposed in the literature and contains the following signal processing blocks of the process output  $(y=y_{CC}+y_{AC})$ : the filtering (of the CC value,  $y_{CC}$ ), demodulation (product of the AC value,  $y_{AC}$ , with the dither signal), integration (of the demodulated signal), and amplification (with  $k_1$ ). The filter can be of High-Pass Filter (HPF) type or Band-Pass Filter (BPF) type. The average value of the gradient for the tracking signal is given by:

$$\frac{d\overline{p}_1}{dt} = \frac{A^2 \cdot k_1}{2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx} \stackrel{A=1}{\Rightarrow} \frac{d\overline{p}_1}{dt} = \frac{k_1}{2} \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$$

- •The sweeping signal (p2) can have different expressions depending on the asymptotic function chosen to modulate the dither:
- The asymptotic function is based on an exponential implementation [41];
- •- The asymptotic function is obtained through commutation between constant and exponential amplitude of dither based on the Lyapunov switching function [44];
- •- The asymptotic function is based on the magnitude of first harmonic (H1) of the process output, which is obtained with Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

### 4.3. Proposed Global aPESC schemes

The H1 magnitude of the process output can be approximated by a using a BPF2 centered on the first harmonic, a derivative operator, or the BPF1 (see Figure 3). Thus the following variants of the aPESCH1 scheme can be obtained in order to be tested for GMPP search:  $\frac{dx}{dx} = f(x, y) = v$ 

- •(1) the GaPESC scheme based on the BPF1,
- •(2) the GaPESCbpf scheme based on the BPF2.
- (3) the GaPESCH1 scheme based on the H1 magnitude computed with the FFT, and
- (4) the GaPESCd scheme based on the derivative operator.
  - •If the BPF2 is designed to approximate the H1 magnitude, then the behavior of both GaPESCbpf and GaPESCH1 schemes are almost the same. So, only GaPESCH1 scheme will be considered below.

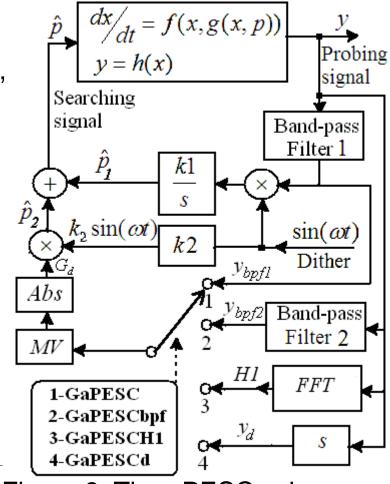
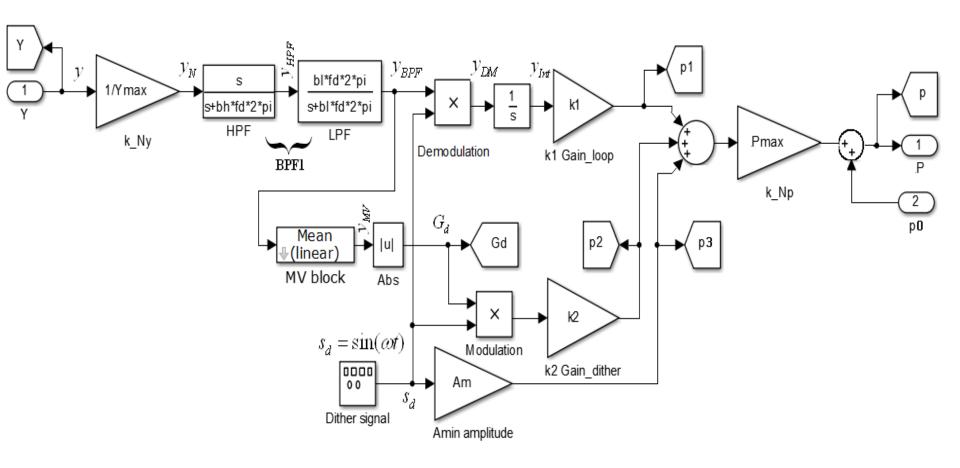


Figure 3. The aPESC schemes

#### 4.4. GaPESC scheme

Figure 4. The diagram of the GaPESC scheme



#### 4.4. GaPESC scheme parameters

The parameters used in simulation are the following:

- the dither frequency is  $f_d=1/T_d=\omega/2\pi=100$  Hz;
- the dither amplitude is set to 1;
- the cut-off frequency of the HPF1,  $f_{h1}=\beta_{h1}\cdot f_d$ , where  $\beta_{h1}=0.1$ ;
- the cut-off frequency of the LPF1, f<sub>11</sub>=β<sub>11</sub>·f<sub>d</sub>, where β<sub>11</sub>=1.9 in order to approximate the H1 amplitude [40];
- the cut-off frequency of the HPF2,  $f_{h2} = \beta_{h2} \cdot f_d$ , where  $\beta_{h2} = 0.5$ ;
- the cut-off frequency of the LPF2, f<sub>12</sub>=β<sub>12</sub>·f<sub>d</sub>, where β<sub>12</sub>=5.5 in order to increase the dither persistence on the control loop [46];
- the minimum amplitude of dither, A<sub>m</sub>, is set to 0.001, but can be smaller that this value in order to obtain a very low ripple on the probing signal during the stationary phases;
- the normalization gains, k<sub>Nv</sub>≅1/y<sub>N</sub> and k<sub>Np</sub>≅p<sub>N</sub>, where the p<sub>N</sub> value sets the initial amplitude of the dither and the y<sub>N</sub> value is chosen in the range of maximum and maximum values estimated for the GMPP on the nonlinear map, y=h(p); k<sub>Nv</sub>=k<sub>Np</sub>=1 for the nonlinear map (6); note that '≅' means in a large range around the mentioned value;
- the gain of the dither amplitude, k<sub>2</sub>≅Δp, where Δp=|p<sub>GMPP</sub>-p<sub>0</sub>|, and p<sub>0</sub> is the initial value for starting the search of the p<sub>GMPP</sub>; k<sub>2</sub>=3 for the nonlinear map (6);
- the loop gain,  $k_1 = \gamma_{sd} \cdot \omega$ , where  $\gamma_{sd} = 1.5$  was set based on the dynamic performance analysis shown below.

#### 4.5. GMPP search based on the GaPESC scheme

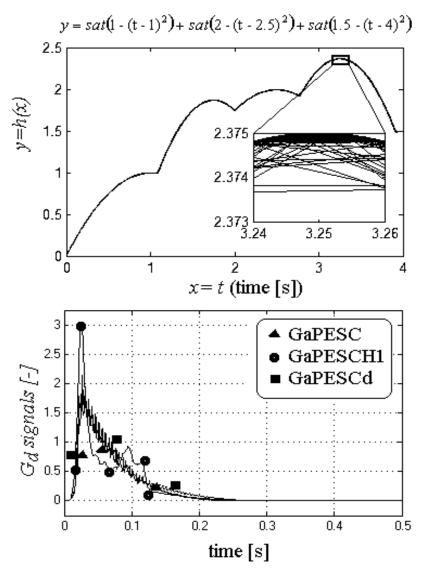


Figure 4. The G<sub>d</sub> signals during the GMPP search based on the GaPESC scheme

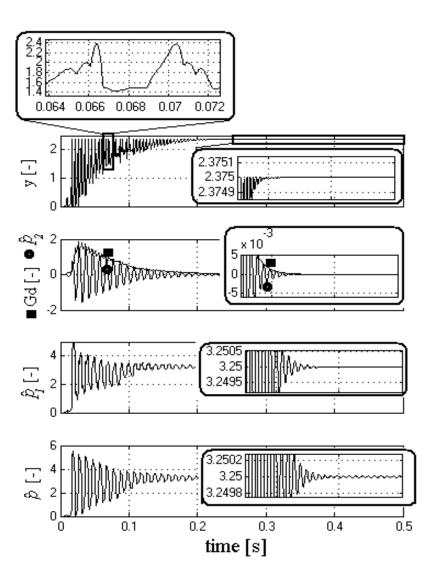


Figure 5. The GMPP search based on the GaPESC scheme

#### 4.6. The PV characteristics for PV arrays under Partial Shading Condition (PSC)

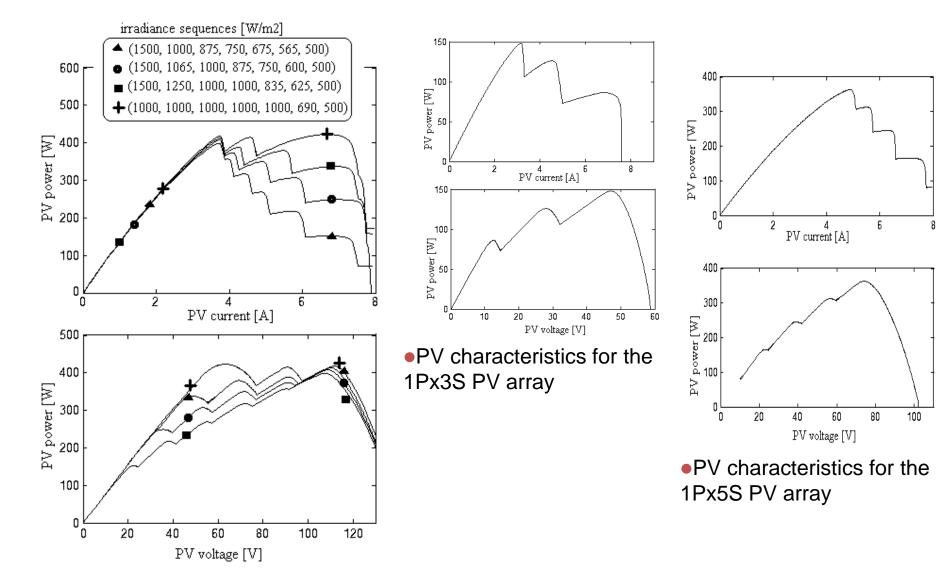
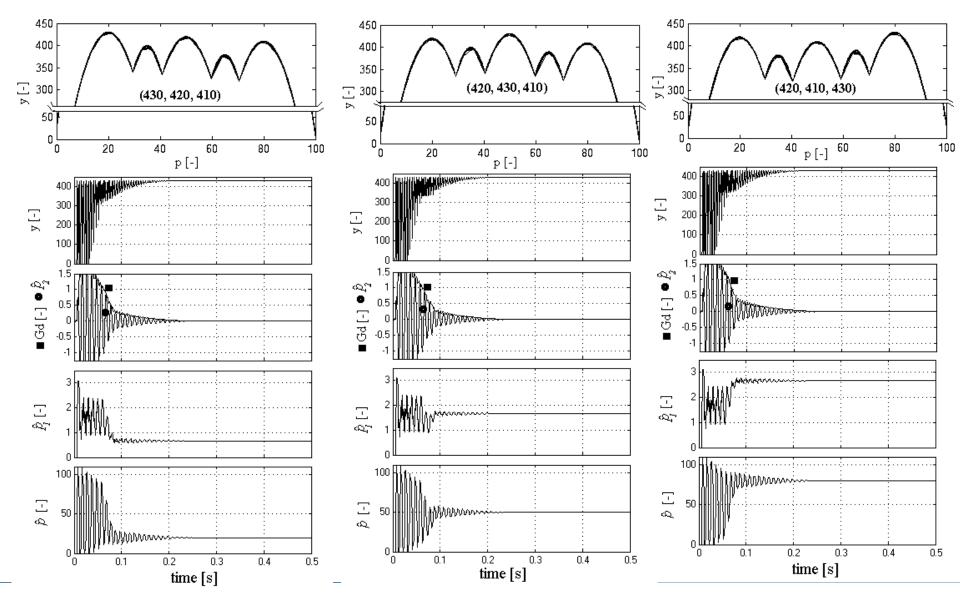


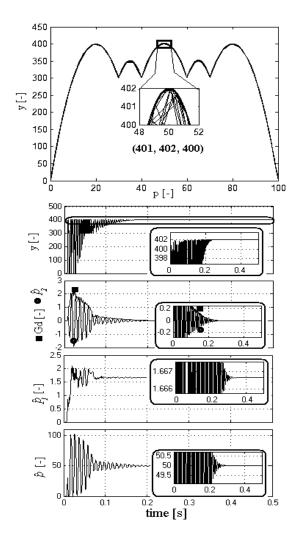
Figure 6. The PV characteristics for the 1Px7S PV array under different irradiance sequences

#### 4.7. GMPP search under PSC based on the GaPESC scheme



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#### 4.8. The resolution of GMPP searching

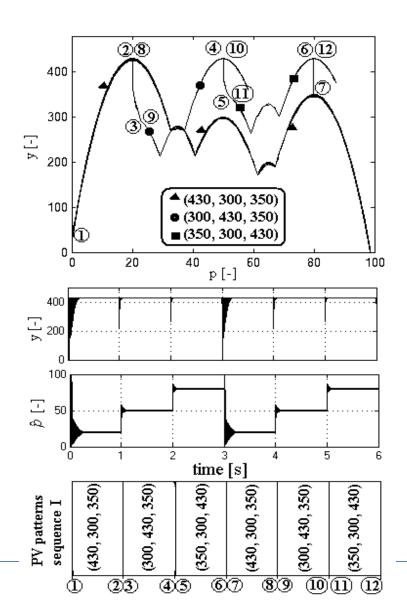


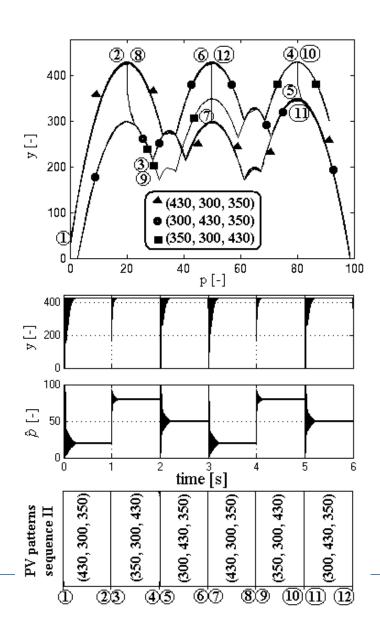
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GaPESC scheme

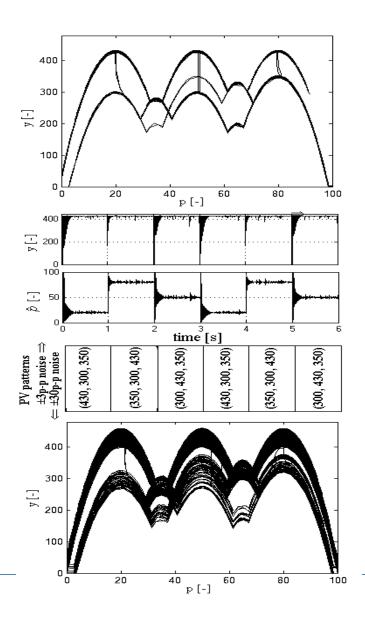
GaPESCH1 scheme

#### 4.9. GMPP search under dynamic PSC based on the GaPESC scheme





#### 4.10. GMPP search under noisy PSC based on the GaPESC scheme



#### 4.11. Conclusions

- The maximum, minimum and average value of the tracking accuracy reported for GaPESC scheme is of 99.99%, 99.95% and 99.97%
- The tracking efficiency of 99.97%
- The resolution of all schemes is lower than 0.25% ( $\approx$ 1/402).
- The robustness of the GMPP searching was tested for two PV patterns' sequences
- Each time the GMPP of the PV pattern from the noiselessly sequence was accurately tracked.
- •The level of GMPP of the PV pattern from the noisy sequence is changed randomly at each 10 milliseconds. Therefore, the GaPESC scheme searches continuously the current GMPP.
- Based on the performance shown and its simplicity of implementation, the GaPESC scheme is competitive with similar techniques to scan the GMPP or other advanced GMPP algorithms proposed.
- •Furthermore, the tuning ranges for the design parameters are relatively large because the GaPESC scheme is based on adaptive control of ESC type.

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**Summarizing**, the research directions in field of the RES/FC HPS that are approached in the studies mentioned above are the following:

- The RES need advanced control techniques to harvest all power available, operating the RES close to MPP. This control is mandatory due to poor efficiency of solar PV, which is the main impediment in encouraging its use until the PV technology will be improved.
- The power losses in power interfaces have been substantially reduced using advanced topologies, switches and appropriate control scheme, eventually integrated in multiport power converter structure. In general, the energy efficiency of power converters used in HPS is higher than 95%.
- The hybrid batteries/ultracapacitors ESS is used in HPS to ensure the power flow balance on the DC bus, but their life-cycle need to be improved through innovative technologies, too. The CS mode proposed here for the ESS can improve the life-cycle of the batteries stack, besides other advantages such as reduced size and low costs of the ESS.
- The cost reduction could be an incentive for the producers of HPS to implement such systems that will ensure decreasing of the payback time for the capital invested.

#### Summarizing,

- The hydrogen technology (to generate and store hydrogen) is still a costly and unsafe technology. So, alternative technologies based on fuel reformers are developed at low cost. Furthermore, the PEMFC system must be operated at the MEP to increase the energy efficiency of the entire RES/FC HPS, as it is proposed here.
- These standalone RES/FC HPSs based on EMU strategies must to predict the RES power available or be adaptable to RES power fluctuations to sustain any unpredictable load demand. The LF control proposed here could be o solution, because it is very simple to be implemented in the commercial RES/FC HPS, requesting only software upgrade and few circuits reconfiguration.
- The protection issue, especially for use of PEMFC system and batteries stack from the ESS, are identified and implemented in EMU of the commercial RES/FC HPS. The proposed protection measures are also implemented in simulation diagram shown here, but this issue was not extensively studied, being outside of the scope of this presentation.





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# Real-time optimization of the Renewable Energy Sources / Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Systems

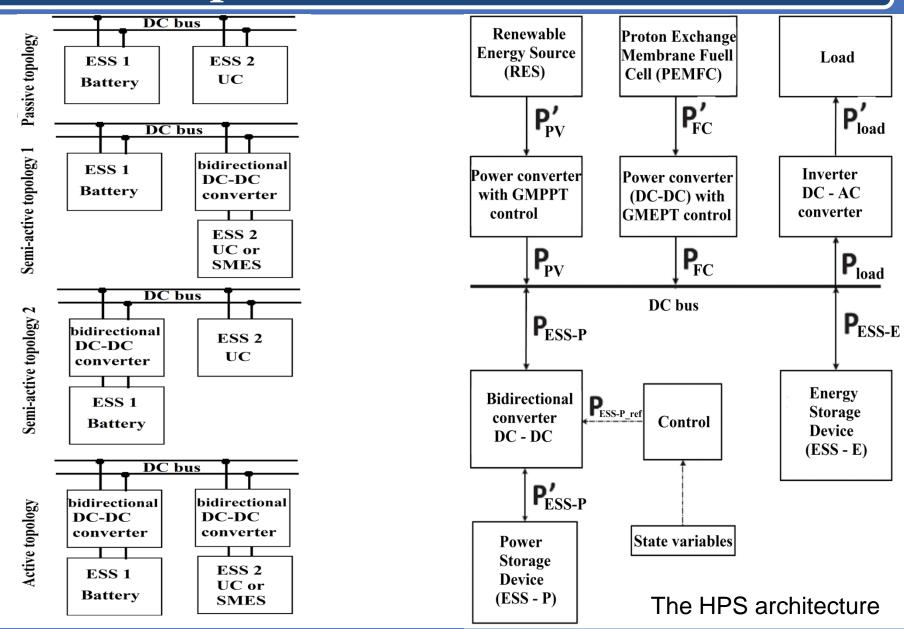


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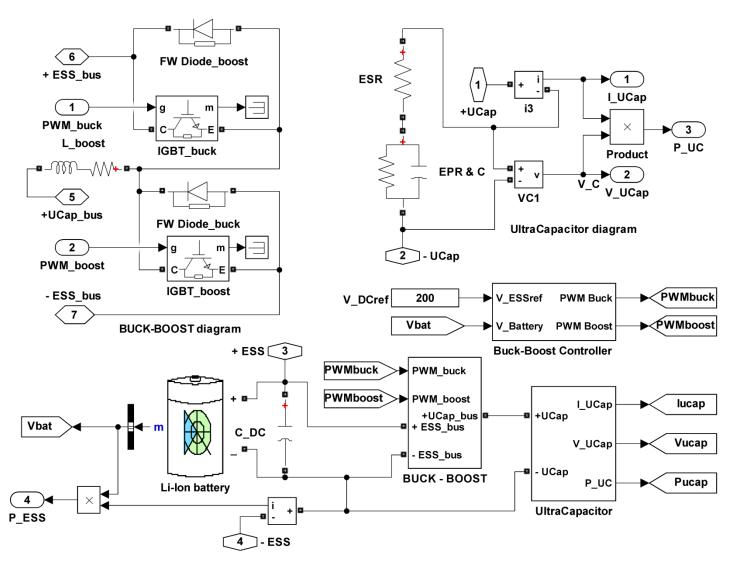
## Summary of Part 5 – Real-time Optimization of FC / Renewable HPS

- REAL-TIME OPTIMIZATION (RTO) based on EXTREMUM SEEKING (ES) CONTROL algorithm
- RTO Strategy for Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Sources with Load-Following (LF) control of the Fuel or Air Flow Rates
- RTO Strategy for Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Sources with ES control and LF control of the Fuel and Air Flow Rates
- RTO Strategy for Fuel Cell / Wind Turbine Hybrid Power System under Turbulent Wind Gusts and Variable Load
- RTO Strategy for Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Sources with ES control of the both Fuel and Air Flow Rates
- 6 Conclusions

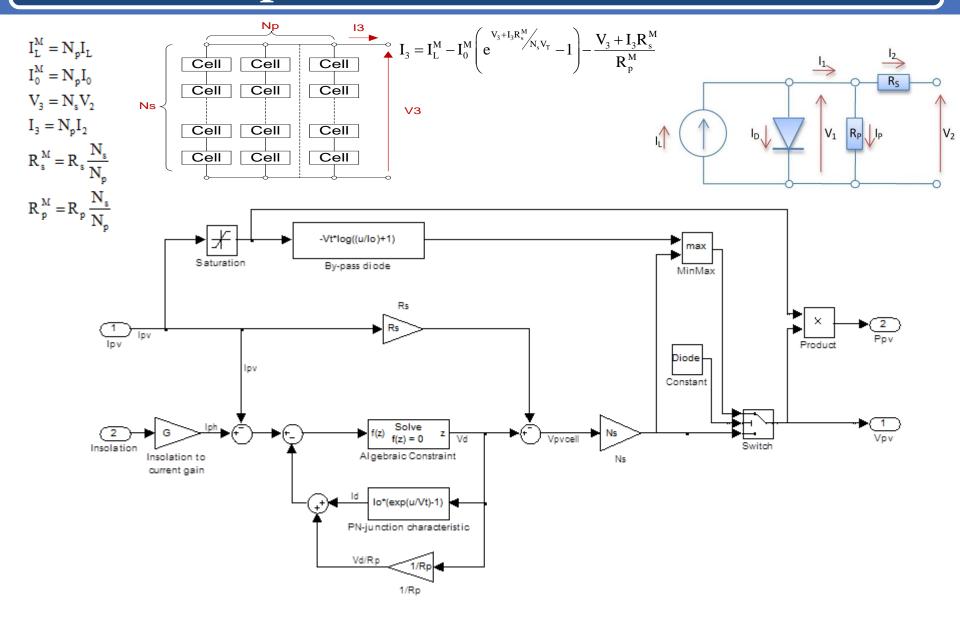


ESS topologies

with semi-active ESS topology 1



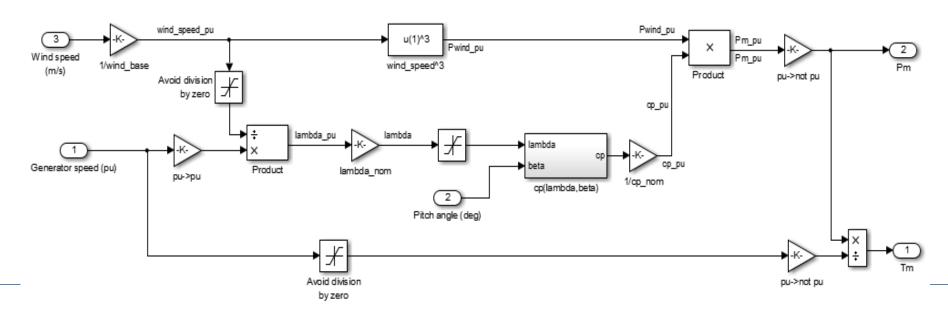
The diagram of the hybrid ESS



$$P_{m} = c_{p}(\lambda, \beta) \frac{\rho A}{2} v_{wind}^{3} \qquad c_{p}(\lambda, \beta) = c_{1} \cdot \left(\frac{c_{2}}{\lambda_{i}} - c_{3}\beta - c_{4}\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{c_{5}}{\lambda_{i}}\right) + c_{6}\lambda \qquad \frac{1}{\lambda_{i}} = \frac{1}{\lambda + 0.08\beta} - \frac{0.035}{\beta^{3} + 1}$$

$$T_{m} = \frac{P_{m}}{\omega_{m}} \qquad P_{m(pu)} = k_{p} \cdot c_{p(pu)}(\lambda, \beta) \cdot v_{wind(pu)}^{3} \qquad \lambda = \frac{R\omega_{m}}{v_{w}}$$

where  $c_p$  is WT performance coefficient,  $\rho$  is air density (kg/m³),  $A=\pi R^2$  is WT swept area (m²), R is radius of the turbine blade,  $\lambda$  is tip - speed ratio (TST),  $\beta$  is the blade pitch angle (degree), and  $k_p$  is the power gain ( $k_p=0.73$ ,  $c_1=0.5176$ ,  $c_2=116$ ,  $c_3=0.4$ ,  $c_4=5$ ,  $c_5=21$ , and  $c_6=0.0068$  for WT model used ( $P_m=1500$  W, the base power of the electrical generator is 1.5/0.9 MVA, and base wind speed is 12 m/s) and the pu values are obtained through normalization of current values to base values)



The Real-Time Optimization (RTO) strategies are proposed to efficiently operate different nonlinear energy systems such as the mixed heating systems and photovoltaic arrays.

The RTO strategies were recently proposed to increase the fuel economy of the Fuel Cell Hybrid Power Sources (FCHPS), which can also improve their cost, durability and reliability. The RTO strategies must to assure the operation of FCHPS at maximum power efficiency based on efficient control of power flows from renewable energy sources.

As it is known, the RTO strategies can be based on optimization's rules (the rule-based strategies) or optimization's functions.

For example, the tracking efficiencies of 99.60%, 99.41%, and 99.28%, and the tracking times of 12 ms, 33 s, and 25 s are reported for systems of photovoltaic (PV) panels, fuel cell (FC) stacks, and wind turbines (WT).

The deterministic rule-based strategies are of sub-optimal type and cannot guarantee that the optimal solution (the GMP) will be always found. But these strategies are the easiest to be implemented, so these are already available in the market.

On the other hand, even if the optimization-based strategies are difficult to be implemented, the recent RTO applications for FC vehicle (FCV) request advanced RTO strategies because the GMP must be found in any operating condition requested.

#### RTO strategies are based on:

- I. the Equivalent Consumption Minimization Strategy (ECMS)
- II. the intelligent algorithms
- III. the Model Predictive Control (MPC)
- IV. the hybrid techniques using
- the wavelet-fuzzy logic control
- the robust-adaptive sliding mode control
- the combinatorial optimisation approach
- the multi-scheme method
- double layer metaheuristic technique
- and so on

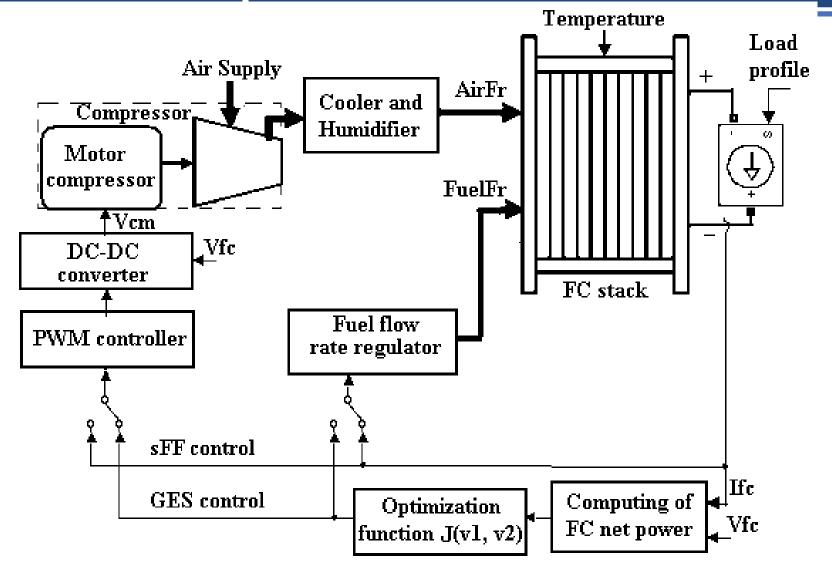
The ECMS is most known RTO strategy used for FCHPS considering

- the Pontryagin's Minimum Principle (PMP) or
- Dynamic Programming (DP).

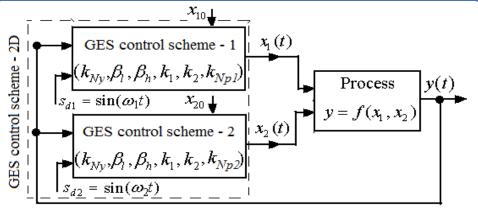
The RTO strategies based on the Extremum Seeking (ES) algorithms have been proposed recently for FCHPS and FC vehicles.

The optimization function (J) is defined as mix of FC net power ( $P_{FCnet}$ ) and Fuel Consumption Efficiency (Fuel<sub>eff</sub>) using the weighting coefficients  $k_{net}$  and  $k_{fuel}$ :

$$J(x_1, x_2) = k_{net}P_{FCnet} + k_{fuel}Fuel_{eff}$$

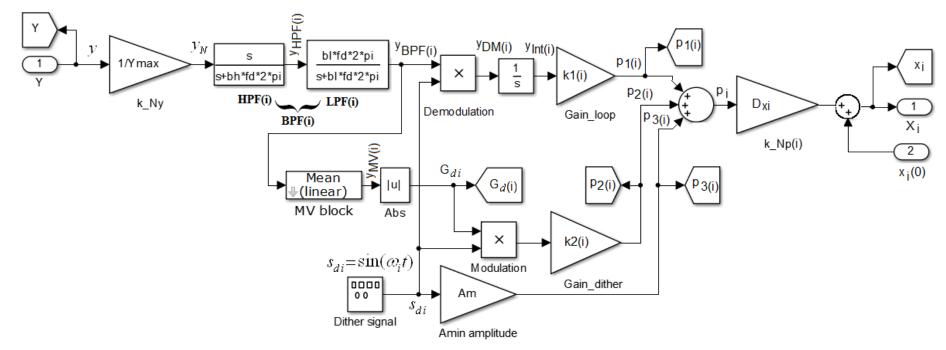


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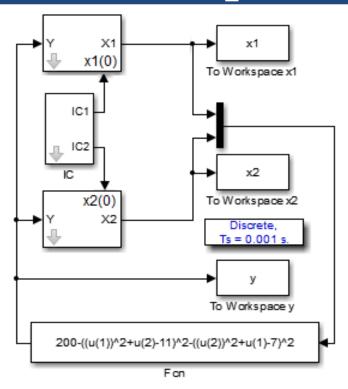


The Global ES control scheme – 2D

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The Global ES control scheme -i, i=1,2

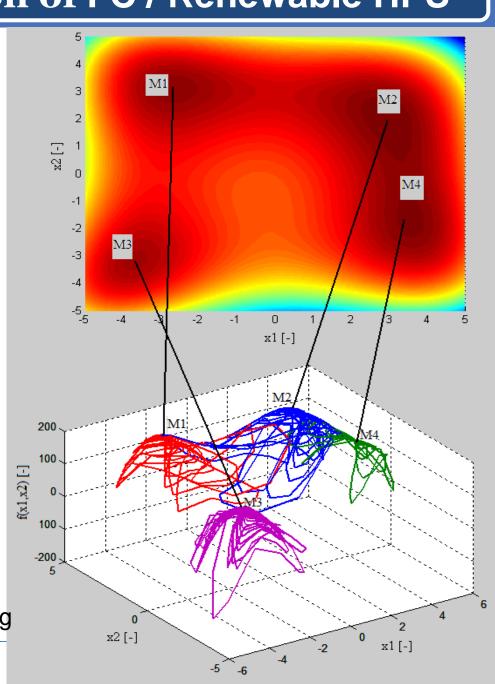


The simulation diagram

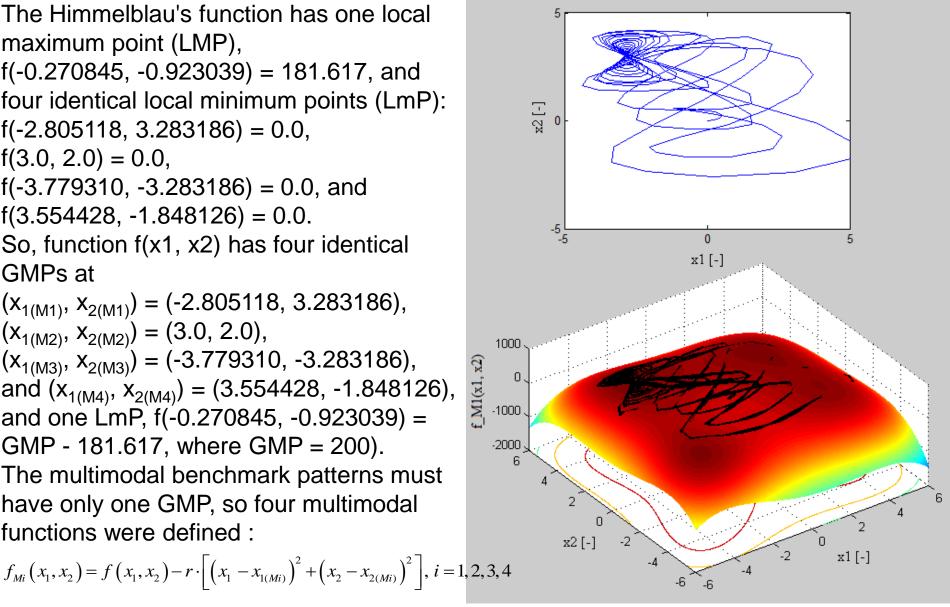
#### The Himmelblau's function

$$f_H(x_1, x_2) = (x_1^2 + x_2 - 11)^2 + (x_1 + x_2^2 - 7)^2$$
  
$$f(x_1, x_2) = GMP - f_H(x_1, x_2)$$

The function f(x1, x2) has four GMPs located at Mi, i=1,2,3,4, in the searching area (top); searching of each GMP starting from initial point close to it (bottom)



The Himmelblau's function has one local maximum point (LMP), f(-0.270845, -0.923039) = 181.617, andfour identical local minimum points (LmP): f(-2.805118, 3.283186) = 0.0,f(3.0, 2.0) = 0.0,f(-3.779310, -3.283186) = 0.0, andf(3.554428, -1.848126) = 0.0.So, function f(x1, x2) has four identical **GMPs** at  $(x_{1(M1)}, x_{2(M1)}) = (-2.805118, 3.283186),$  $(x_{1(M2)}, x_{2(M2)}) = (3.0, 2.0),$  $(x_{1(M3)}, x_{2(M3)}) = (-3.779310, -3.283186),$ and  $(x_{1(M4)}, x_{2(M4)}) = (3.554428, -1.848126),$ and one LmP, f(-0.270845, -0.923039) = GMP - 181.617, where GMP = 200). The multimodal benchmark patterns must have only one GMP, so four multimodal functions were defined:



The searching of the GMP<sub>M1</sub> in the phase plane (top) and on the  $f_{M1}(x1, x2)$  (bottom) if the starting point is (0,0).

The parameter r sets the searching resolution ( $R_S$ )

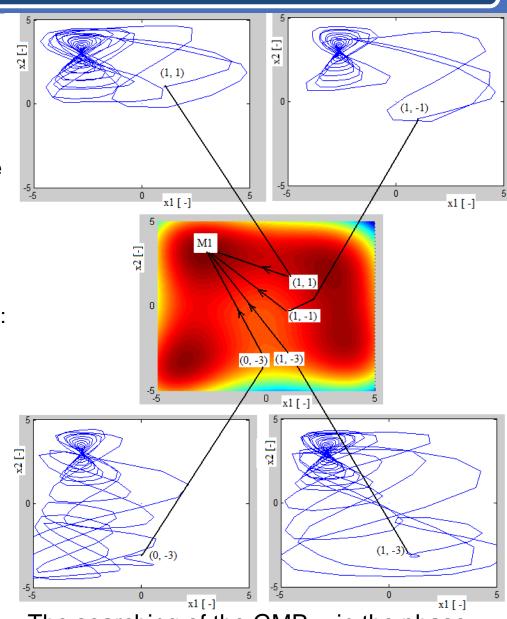
$$R_{S} = \frac{\min_{i} |GMP - LMP_{i}|}{GMP} \cdot 100[\%]$$

Each function  $f_{Mi}$  has one GMP and three LMPs in the searching space. The searching resolution is of 8.75%, 3.65%, 10.06%, and 3.79% for  $f_{Mi}$  pattern, i=1-4.

Parameters of the GES control scheme (i=1,2):

- the dithers' frequencies:
- $\omega_1 = \omega = 50 \text{ Hz}, \ \omega_2 = 2\omega = 100 \text{ Hz};$
- the ESC loops' gains (tuning parameters):
- $k_{1(i)} = 4\omega_i$ ; • the dithers' gains (tuning parameters):
- the dithers' gains (tuning parameters):
- k<sub>2(i)</sub> = 2;the normalization gains:
- $k_{Np(i)} = 10, k_{Ny(i)} = 200;$
- the BPF cut-off frequencies:
- $\omega_{l(i)}$ =3.5 $\omega_i$ ,  $\omega_{h(i)}$ =0.1 $\omega_i$ ;
- the minimum amplitude of the dither p<sub>3(i)</sub>:

 $A_{\rm m} = 0.001$ 



The searching of the GMP<sub>M1</sub> in the phase plane, starting from different points

The tracking speed: is less than 0.4 seconds; The tracking accuracy is higher than 99.99%; The oscillations during the

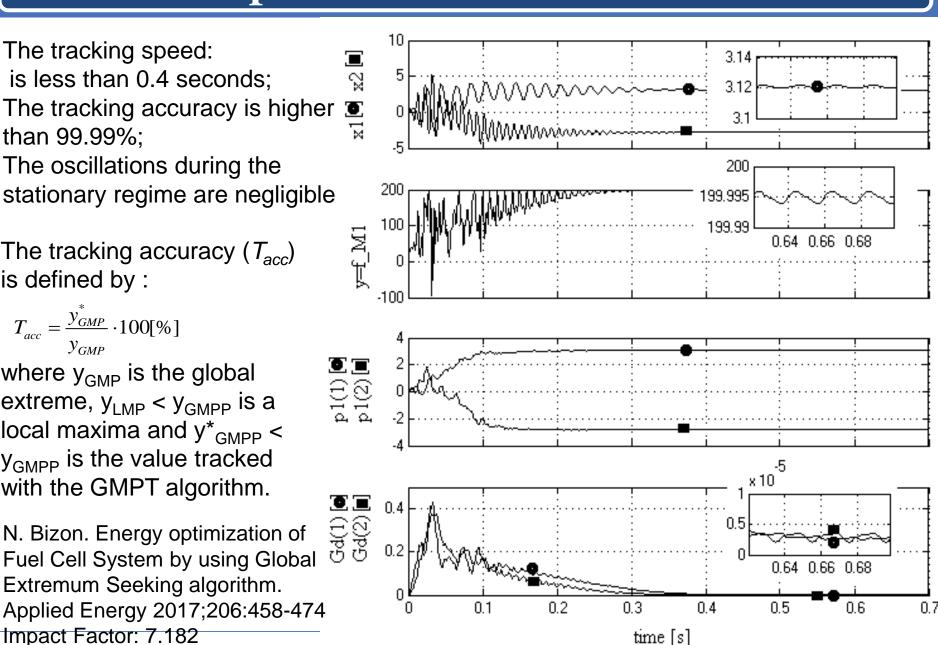
The tracking accuracy  $(T_{acc})$ is defined by:

$$T_{acc} = \frac{y_{GMP}^*}{y_{CMP}} \cdot 100[\%]$$

where  $y_{GMP}$  is the global extreme,  $y_{LMP} < y_{GMPP}$  is a local maxima and y\*<sub>GMPP</sub> < y<sub>GMPP</sub> is the value tracked with the GMPT algorithm.

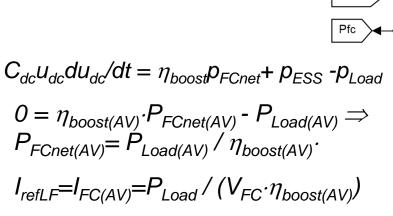
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The GMP<sub>M1</sub> searching

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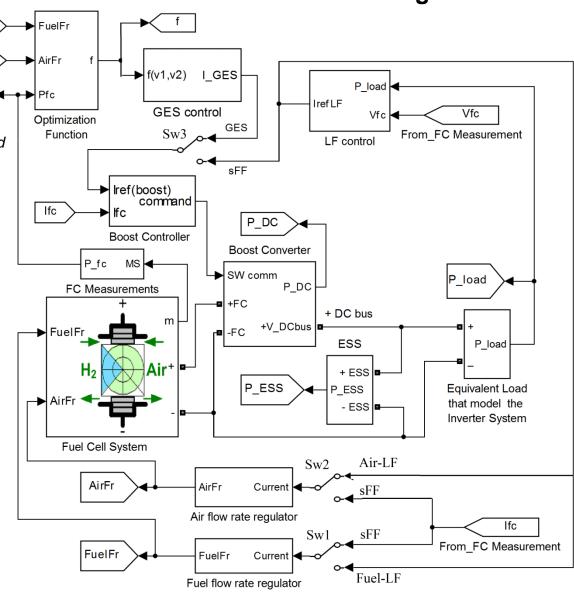
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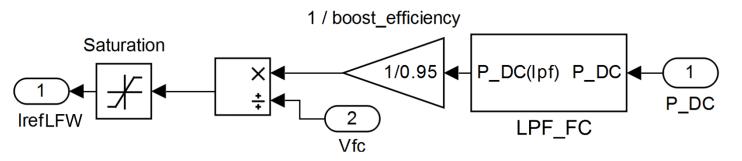
- the fuel consumption efficiency:
- $Fuel_{eff} \cong P_{FCnet} / FuelFr$
- the FC system efficiency:

$$\eta_{\text{sys}} = P_{\text{FCnet}} / P_{\text{FC}}$$

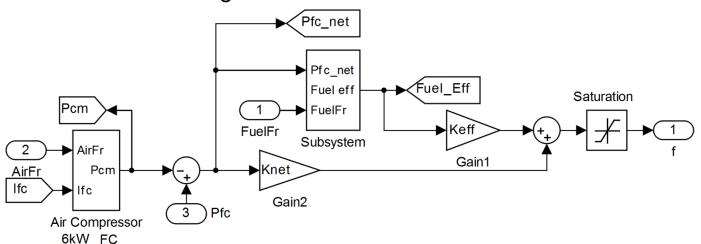
total fuel consumption:

$$Fuel_T = \int FuelFr(t)dt$$



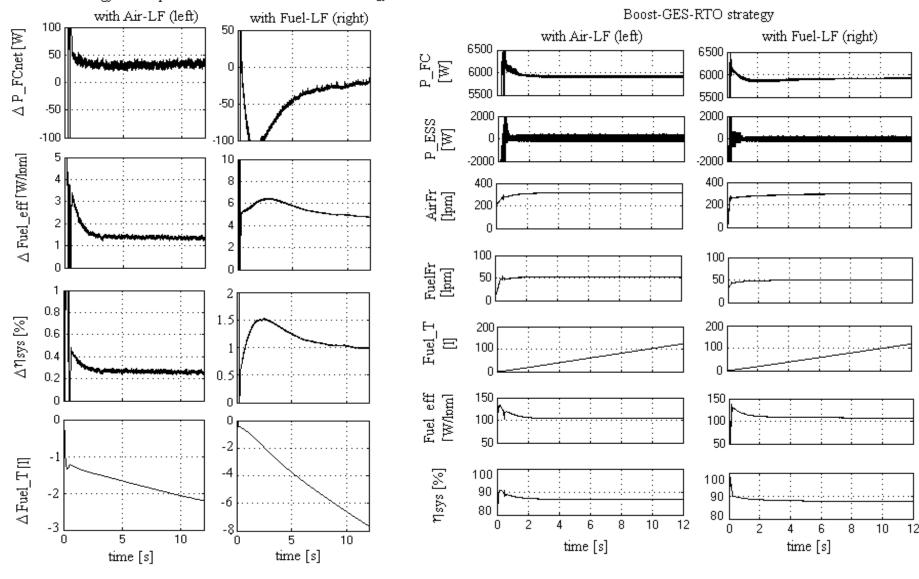


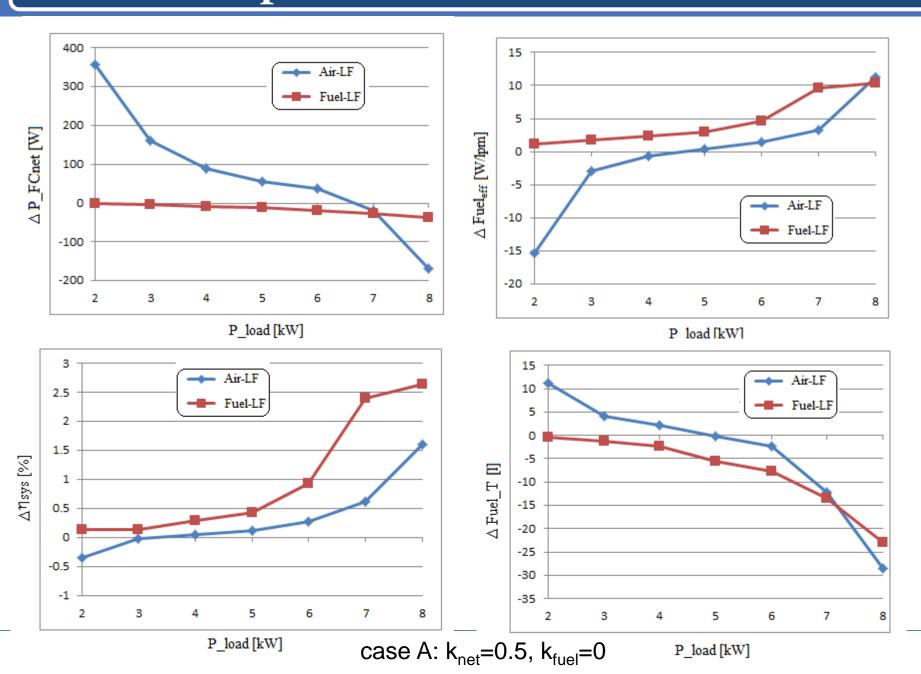
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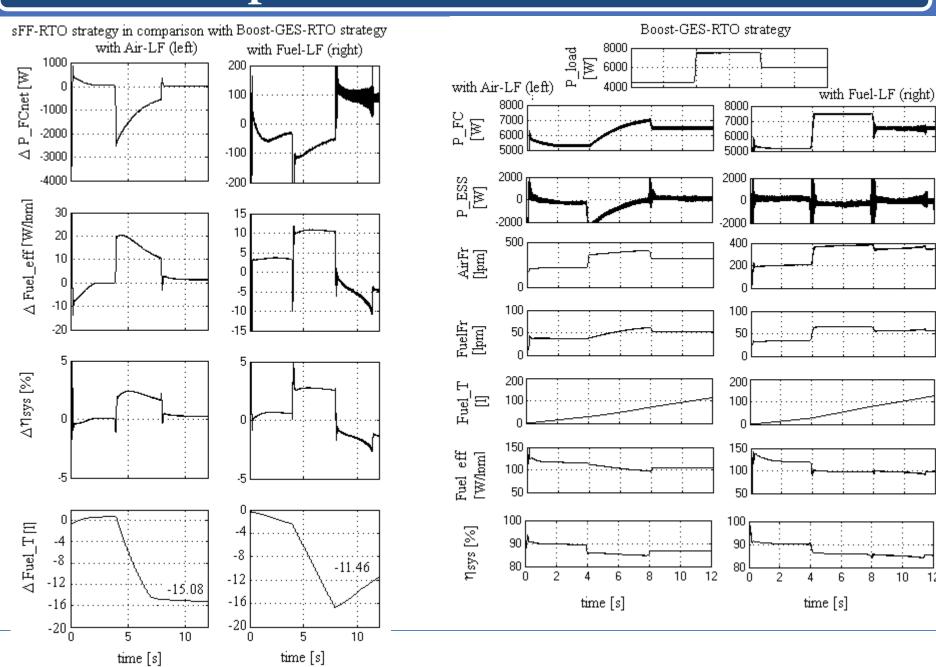


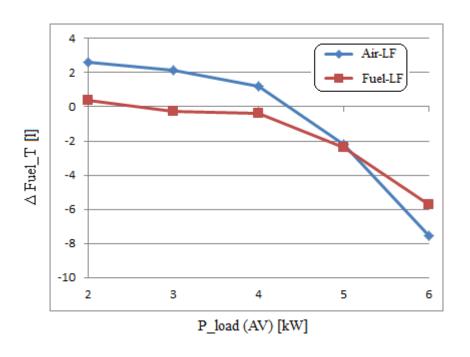
The diagram of the optimization function

sFF-RTO strategy in comparison with Boost-GES-RTO strategy

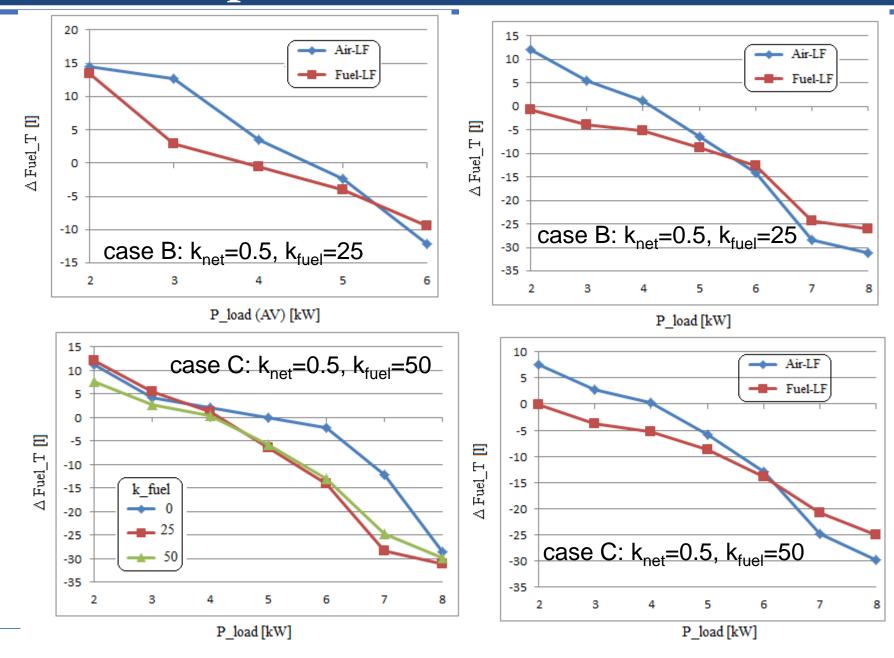


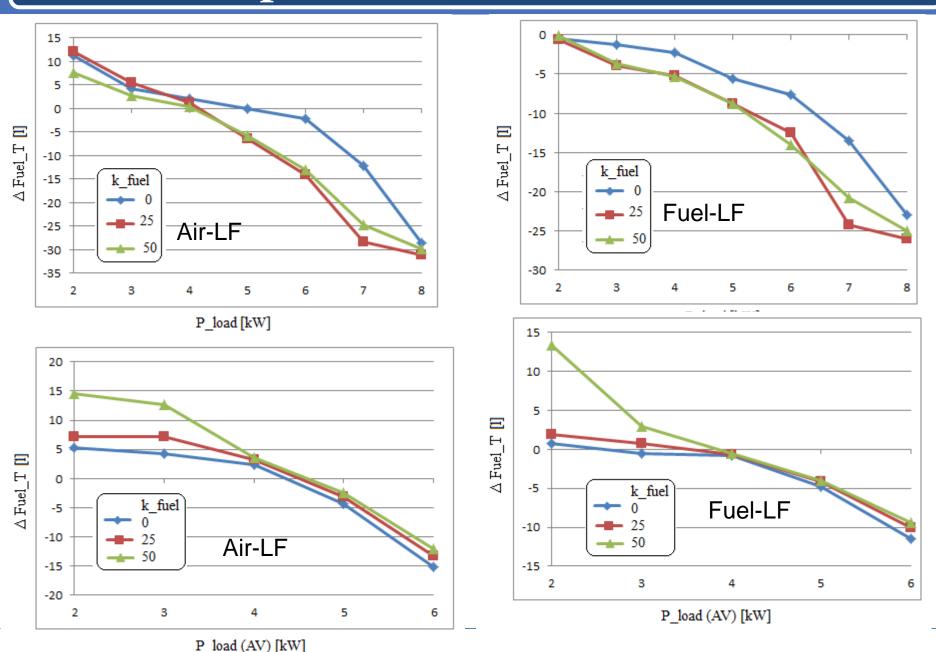






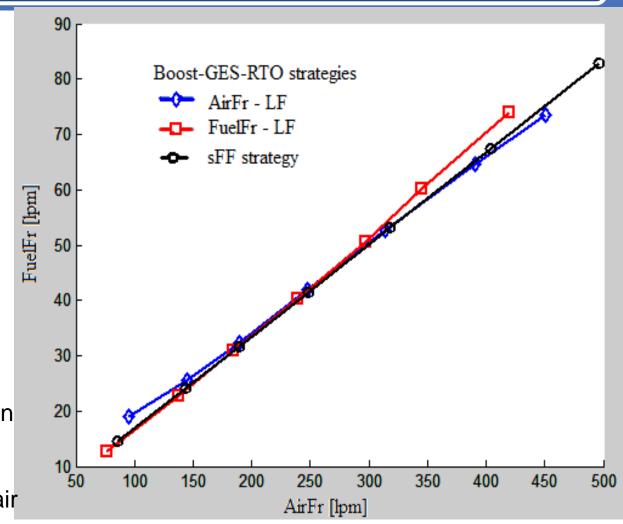
case A:  $k_{net}$ =0.5,  $k_{fuel}$ =0





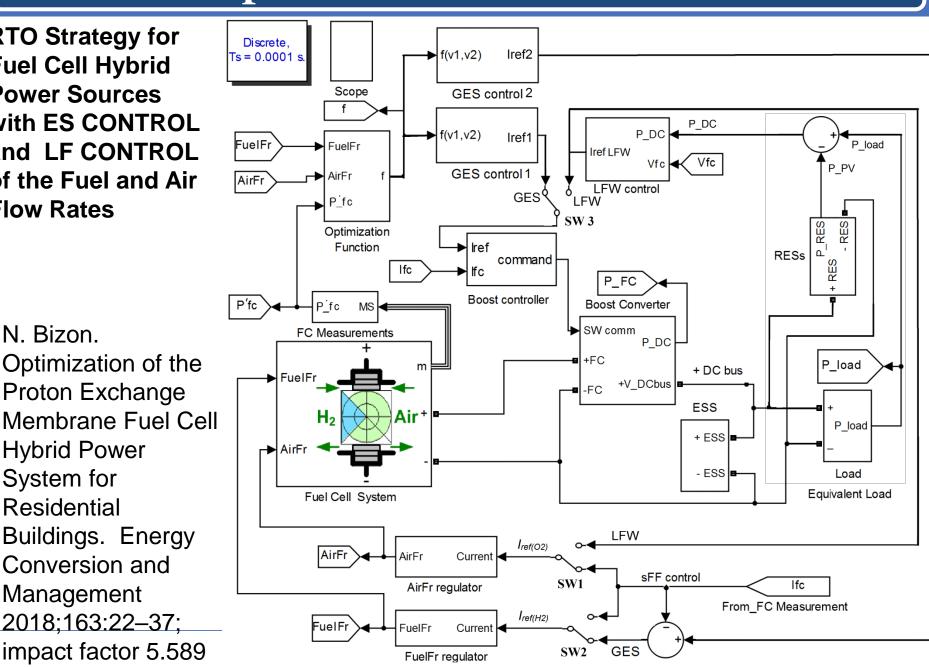
The position of optimal points for the Boost-GES-RTO strategies with Air-LF (♦) and Fuel-LF (□), compared to sFF strategy (○)

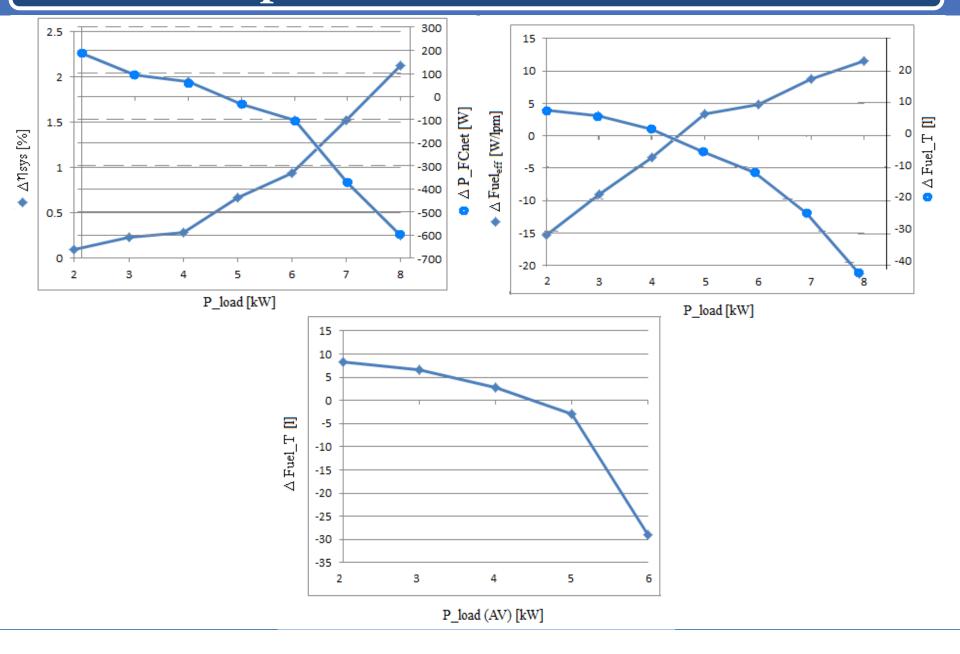
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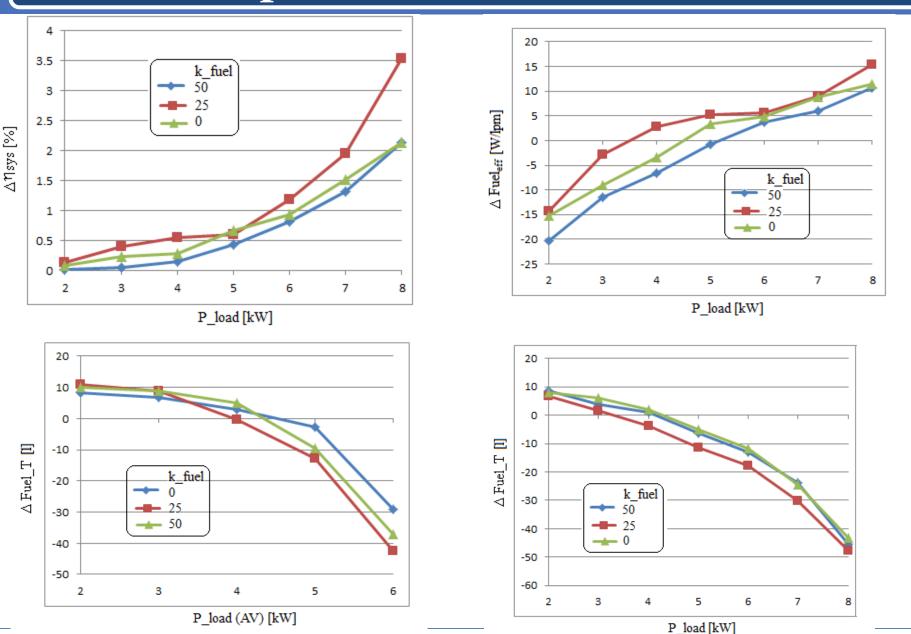


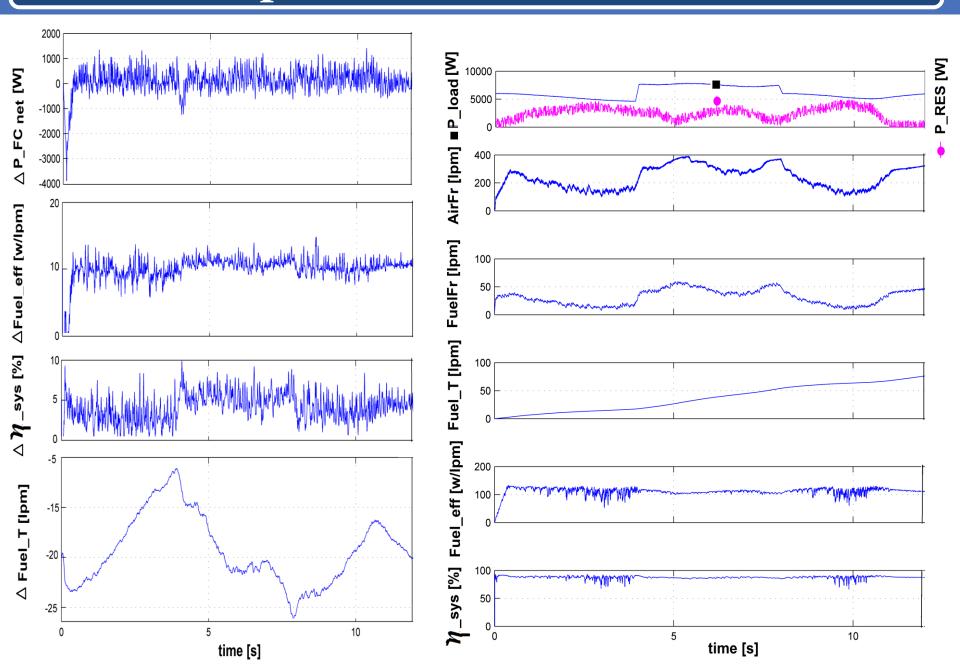
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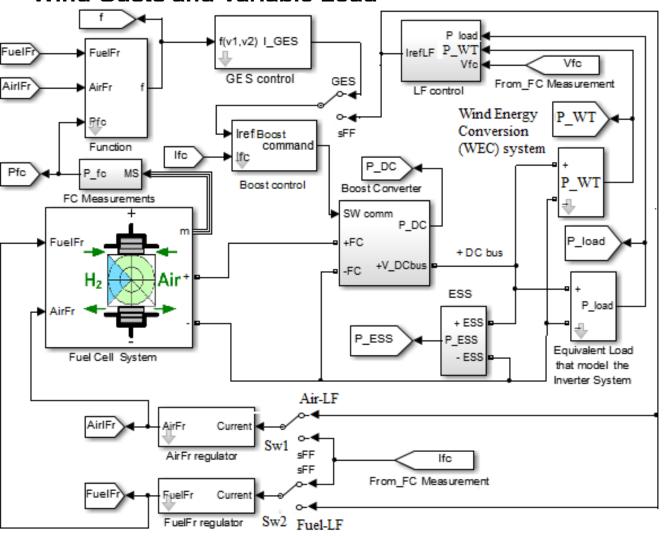


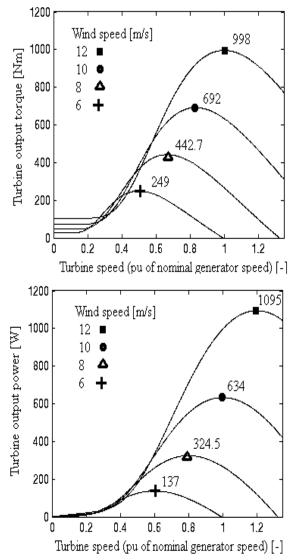


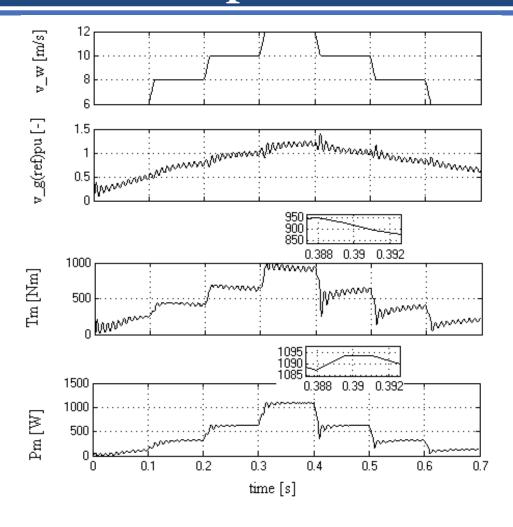




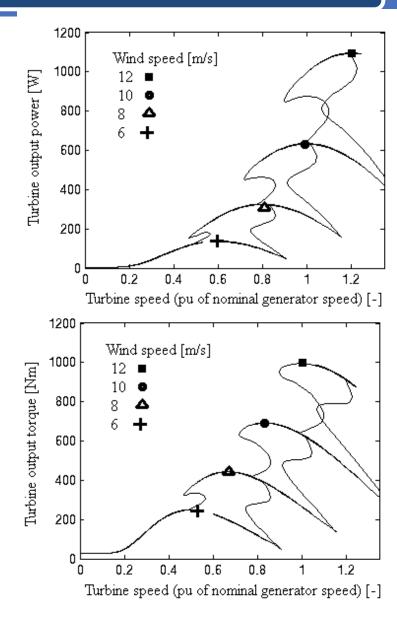
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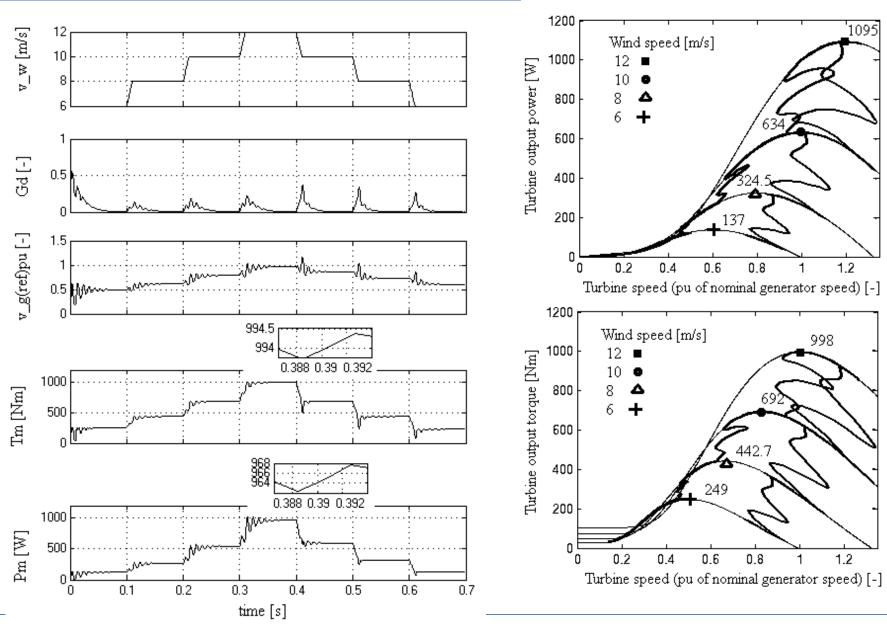


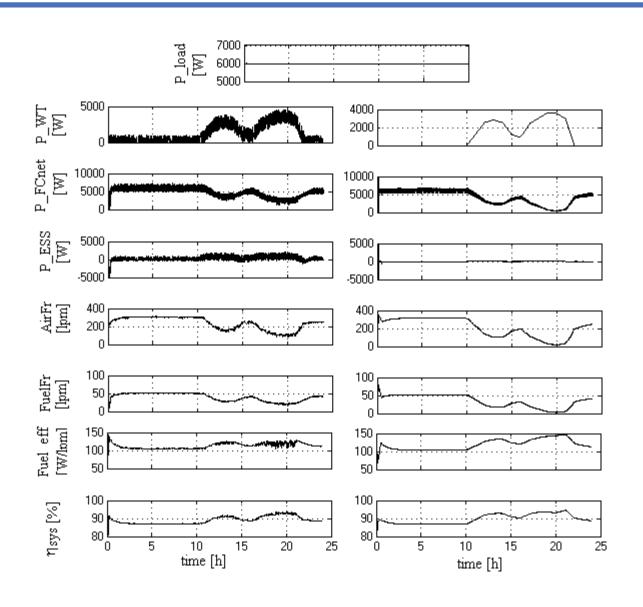


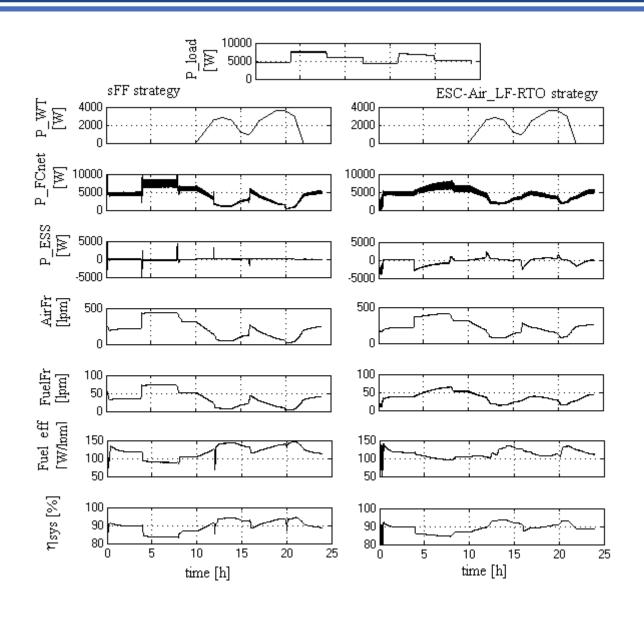


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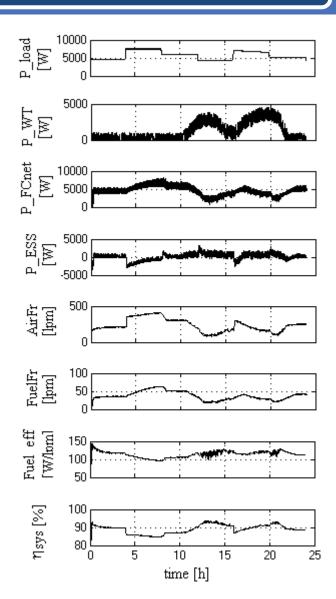




Load type	6 kW load		6 kW AV load	
Wind type	turbulent	smooth	turbulent	smooth
	wind	wind	wind	wind
Gap in fuel economy [lpm]	1.2	1.225	1.275	1.35

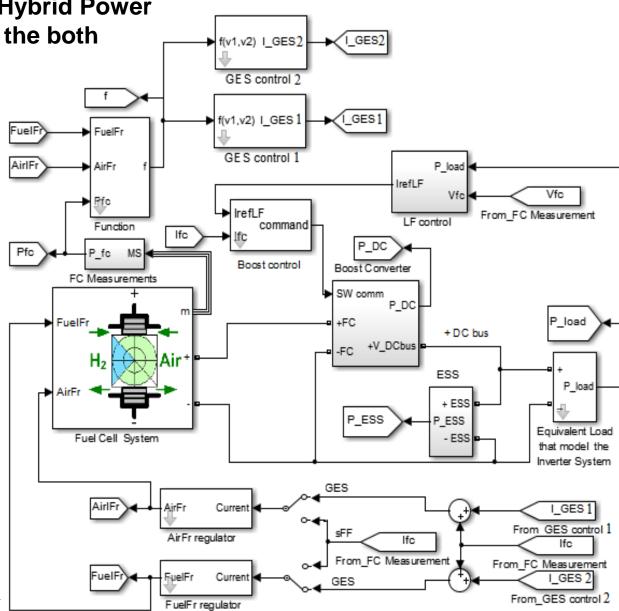
Differences in fuel economy for case of turbulent wind and smooth wind are of very small for both sFF and GES-RTO strategies (see Table, being approximately 0.025 lpm and 0.075 lpm for 6 kW load and variable load profile (with AV of 6 kW). It can be noticed that a fuel economy for GES-RTO strategy in comparison with the sFF strategy may be obtained for constant and variable 6 kW load

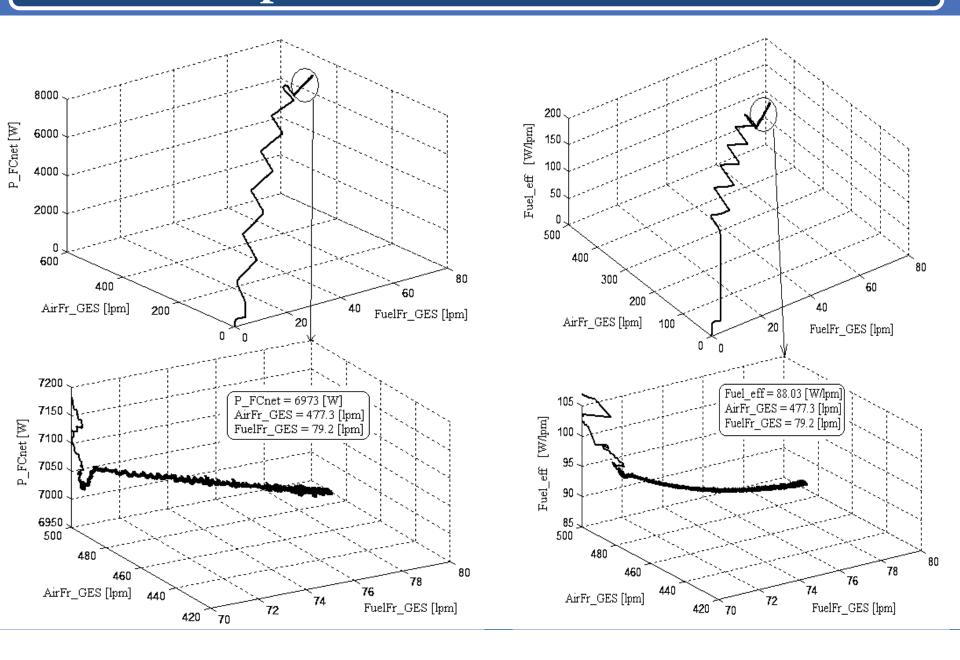
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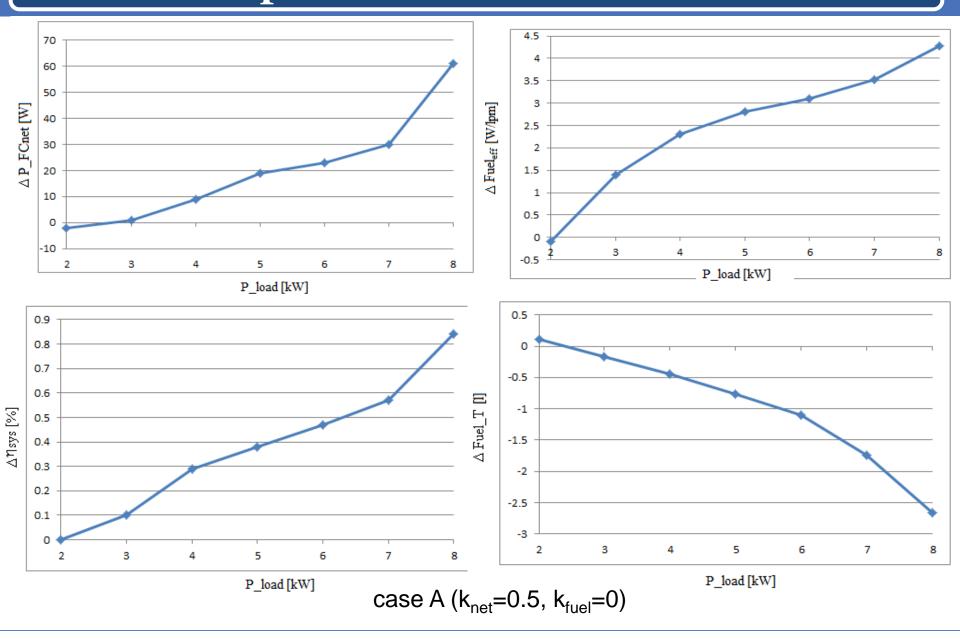


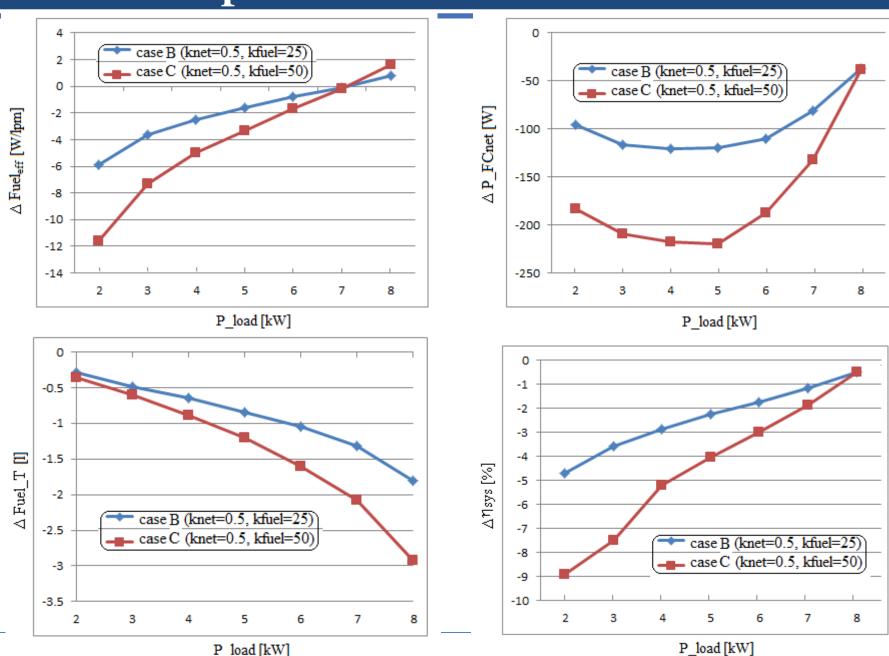
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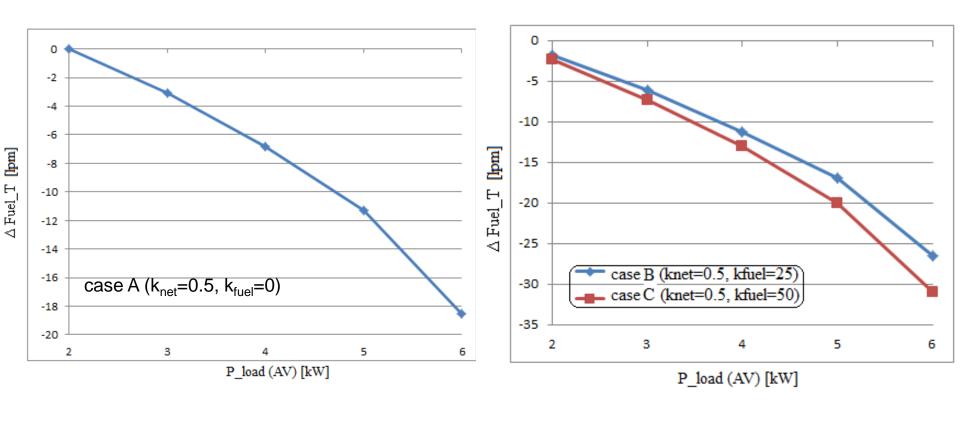
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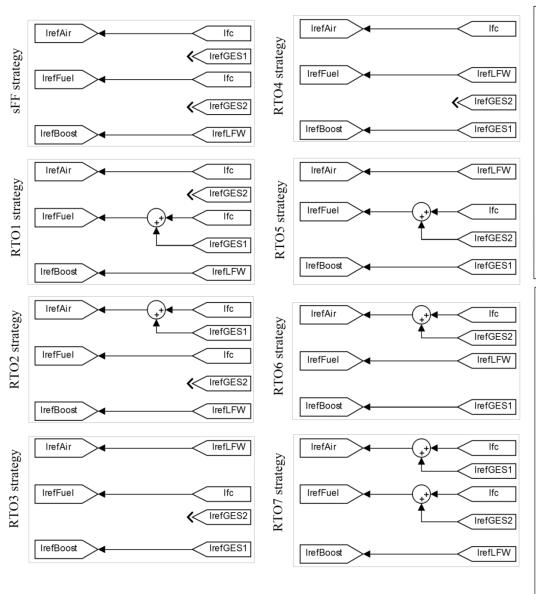


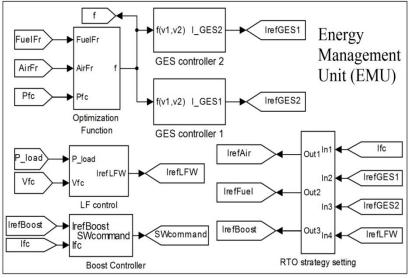


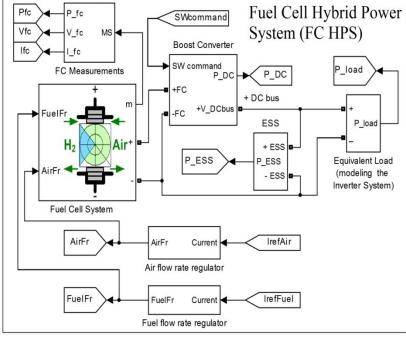
**Conclusions** 

No.	ref(Boost)	l <sub>ref(Air)</sub>	l <sub>ref(Fuel)</sub>	RTO strategy	Ref	Class
0	l <sub>LFW</sub>	I <sub>FC</sub>	I <sub>FC</sub>	sFF	[0]	
1	l <sub>LFW</sub>	I <sub>FC</sub>	$I_{GES1} + I_{FC}$	RTO1	[1]	C1
2	l <sub>LFW</sub>	$I_{GES1}+I_{FC}$	I <sub>FC</sub>	RTO2	[2]	C1
3	$I_{GES1}$	$I_{LFW}$	I <sub>FC</sub>	RTO3	[3]	C2
4	$I_{GES1}$	I <sub>FC</sub>	I <sub>LFW</sub>	RTO4	[4]	C3
5	$I_{GES1}$	l <sub>LFW</sub>	$I_{GES2}+I_{FC}$	RTO5	[5]	C2
6	I <sub>GES1</sub>	I <sub>GES2</sub> +I <sub>FC</sub>	I <sub>LFW</sub>	RTO6	[6]	C3
7	I <sub>LFW</sub>	I <sub>GES1</sub> +I <sub>FC</sub>	$I_{GES2}+I_{FC}$	RTO7	[7]	C1

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4	I <sub>GES1</sub>	l <sub>FC</sub>	I <sub>LEW</sub>	RTO4
6	I <sub>GES1</sub>	l <sub>GFS2</sub> +l <sub>FC</sub>	I <sub>LEW</sub>	RTO6

