

Simulation of Power Split Hybrid Electric Vehicle by using MATLAB

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Abstract:

This study demonstrates that simulation using MATLAB is an effective approach for evaluating and enhancing the performance of power split hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs). The system combines an internal combustion engine and an electric motor through a planetary gear mechanism, allowing flexible and efficient power distribution under varying driving conditions. A detailed HEV model is developed in MATLAB/Simulink, incorporating key components such as the engine, motor, battery, transmission, and control strategy. The model is analyzed under standard driving cycles to assess fuel consumption, battery state of charge (SOC), torque sharing, and overall efficiency. An energy management strategy dynamically allocates power between the engine and motor to optimize energy usage and reduce emissions, while regenerative braking is employed to recover energy during deceleration. Simulation results indicate that the proposed power split HEV significantly improves fuel economy and reduces emissions compared to conventional vehicles. This work highlights the importance of MATLAB-based simulation as a reliable tool for the design and optimization of sustainable hybrid vehicle systems.

Keywords: Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV), Power Split Architecture, MATLAB / Simulink, Energy Management Strategy, Battery State of Charge (SOC).

I.INTRODUCTION:

Hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs) have become a promising way to deal with the growing worries about running out of fuel, polluting the environment, and strict rules about emissions. HEVs are more fuel-efficient and produce fewer emissions than regular cars because they have both an internal combustion engine and an electric propulsion system. The power-split architecture is one of the most popular hybrid designs because it can easily switch power between the engine and electric motor using a planetary gear mechanism. This makes it work well in a wide range of driving conditions. Recent research has emphasized the improvement of power splitting HEVs' modeling, control, and energy management techniques. For this purpose, dynamic response analysis of power splitting HEVs at critical operating conditions, such as engine start-up, has been studied. Multimode hybrid powertrain configuration has been suggested for better fuel efficiency and optimal sizing of powertrain components. Energy management techniques, such as stochastic control, have been studied for optimal power distribution between different power sources at different driving conditions. Battery life is an important factor affecting the overall efficiency of hybrid powertrain systems. Recent research has emphasized the study of battery life, battery charging, and optimal selection of batteries for better reliability and sustainability of hybrid powertrain systems. Regenerative braking systems are integrated with hybrid powertrain systems for better efficiency. In this sense, simulation tools such as MATLAB or Simulink have a crucial role to play in terms of

analyzing or optimizing HEV performance before actual implementation. With such tools, it is possible to have a flexible environment for simulating complex interactions between components of a system. Hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs) have been recognized for their efficiency in fuel consumption reduction as well as minimizing emissions through the combined operation of an internal combustion engine and an electric motor. Among all HEV configurations, the power-split system has been recognized as a highly efficient solution that enables flexible power distribution through a planetary gear system. The research has been directed towards optimizing hybrid electric vehicles through advanced control strategies, energy management systems, as well as optimized designs. In this case, battery efficiency, battery charging safety, as well as efficient power distribution, are recognized as essential factors towards optimizing hybrid vehicles. Additionally, increasing interest in plug-in hybrid vehicles, as well as hybrid energy sources, has recognized the need for efficient hybrid systems. MATLAB/Simulink software has been recognized as a significant simulation environment for hybrid electric vehicles. The tools are essential in simulating hybrid vehicles for evaluation purposes. MATLAB/Simulink enables evaluation of hybrid vehicles through simulation for a wide range of operating conditions. This research aims to simulate a hybrid electric vehicle using MATLAB/Simulink for evaluation purposes.

II. LITERATURE SURVEY:

Several research works have been carried out in the field of hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs), focusing on modeling, control strategies, and energy management techniques to improve overall system performance. Su et al. [1] presented a detailed modeling and dynamic response analysis of a compound power-split HEV during the engine starting process, emphasizing smooth transition and system stability. Choi et al. [2] proposed a novel multimode hybrid powertrain architecture aimed at improving fuel efficiency and optimizing component sizing. Zhao and Tang [3] focused on controlling the transition from e-CVT mode to electric vehicle mode during braking, ensuring efficient energy utilization. Similarly, Shi et al. [4] developed a stochastic predictive energy management strategy for power-split hybrid buses under real-world driving conditions, demonstrating improved efficiency. Chen et al. [5] introduced a mode transition control strategy using an improved extended state observer to enhance system performance. Tang and Wang [6] investigated advanced energy management strategies considering the dynamic characteristics of multiple power sources. Diao et al. [7] explored charging safety in electric vehicles using advanced algorithms, while Dias Vasconcelos et al. [8] analyzed the impact of electric vehicle charging on the power grid using predictive indicators. Timilsina et al. [9] provided a comprehensive survey on battery degradation in electric and hybrid vehicles, highlighting its impact on system lifespan, and Akyildiz et al. [10] studied optimal selection of lithium iron phosphate battery cells for improved performance. Furthermore, Eppstein et al. [11] examined consumer adoption of plug-in hybrid vehicles using agent-based modeling, offering insights into large-scale deployment. Gautam et al. [12] proposed an integrated optimal power management strategy for hybrid energy sources, enhancing efficiency and reliability. Eppstein et al. [11] investigated the adoption of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles using an agent-based modeling approach, incorporating real consumer survey data to analyze large-scale adoption patterns and influencing factors. Gautam et al. [12] proposed a hybrid energy source-based electric vehicle configuration with an integrated optimal power management strategy, demonstrating improved efficiency and reliability through effective coordination of multiple energy sources. Yuvaraj et al. [13] presented a comprehensive review on the allocation of electric vehicle charging stations in distribution networks, highlighting the importance of infrastructure planning for supporting large-scale EV integration. Wang et al. [14] focused on enhancing battery power output and reducing mode switching frequency in multi-mode hybrid energy storage systems using a real-time average power method, which improved system

performance and operational stability. Zhao and Tang [15] developed a control strategy for smooth transition from e-CVT mode to electric vehicle mode during braking conditions in power-split HEVs, ensuring efficient energy utilization and seamless operation. These studies emphasize advancements in hybrid system control, energy management, infrastructure development, and user adoption. However, there is still a need for detailed simulation-based analysis using tools like MATLAB to further optimize system performance and validate control strategies under different driving conditions.

III. EXISTING SYSTEM:

The existing hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) configurations employ a conventional power split technology with an engine and an electric motor integrated with a planetary gear set. The existing HEV configurations utilize conventional energy management strategies, which are not effective for changing driving conditions. Although regenerative braking and battery storage capabilities are integrated into these configurations, they lack advanced control strategies for optimization. Moreover, these configurations require costly hardware tests with limited flexibility. As a result, simulation software such as MATLAB is required for better performance optimization.

DISADVANTAGES:

- Highway inefficiency
- Complex calibration
- Torque lag
- Cost
- High speed efficiency
- High computation load

IV. PROPOSED SYSTEM:

The proposed system simulates a power split hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) using MATLAB / Simulink to improve efficiency and performance. It combines an internal combustion engine and electric motor through a planetary gear system for flexible power distribution. The model includes key components such as the engine, motor, battery, transmission, and control unit. An energy management strategy optimally shares power between sources, while regenerative braking recovers energy. The system is tested under driving cycles to evaluate fuel consumption, battery SOC, and overall efficiency.

ADVANTAGES:

- Improve fuel efficiency
- Reduce development cost
- Faster time to market
- Accurate performance and range prediction
- Safe testing of critical scenarios
- Multi domain system

System Architecture

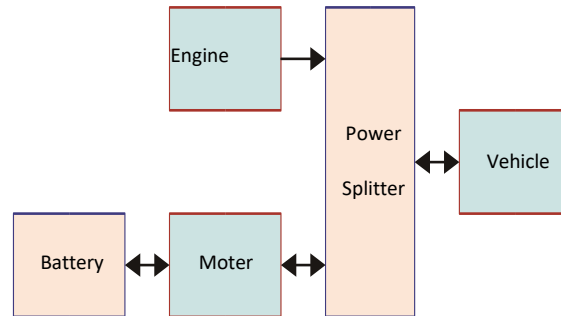


FIG 1: BLOCK DIAGRAM

The architecture of a power split hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) is based on the integration of both mechanical and electrical sources of power for efficient driving. The major components of a hybrid electric vehicle's architecture include an internal combustion engine, an electric motor, a generator, a battery pack, a planetary gear set, and a supervisory control unit. The planetary gear set is the core component of the hybrid electric vehicle's architecture, which enables the flow of both engine and electric motor power for driving in different operating modes. The electric motor assists the engine during acceleration and enables the HEV to operate at low speeds using only the electric motor's power. The generator is used to convert mechanical energy into electrical energy for storage or direct use. The battery pack stores electrical energy for the motor's use and also captures electrical energy during regenerative braking. The control strategy continuously monitors the speed, load, and state of charge for efficient driving.

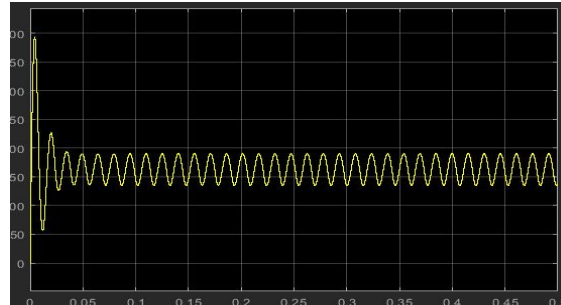
MATLAB SOFTWARE

MATLAB is a programming and simulation software that is used for numerical computations, data analysis, and system modeling. It is a high-level programming software that allows a person to carry out complex mathematical calculations. It also allows a person to create algorithms. MATLAB allows a person to generate graphs and plots for visualizing their results. MATLAB uses a matrix-based system that allows it to carry out complex mathematical calculations efficiently. MATLAB has a wide range of tools that allow it to work with different fields such as signal processing, control systems, machine learning, and power systems. MATLAB also allows a person to work with Simulink, a software that allows a person to carry out system simulations using a graphical diagram.

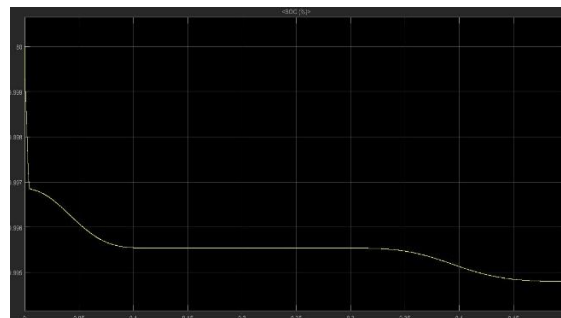
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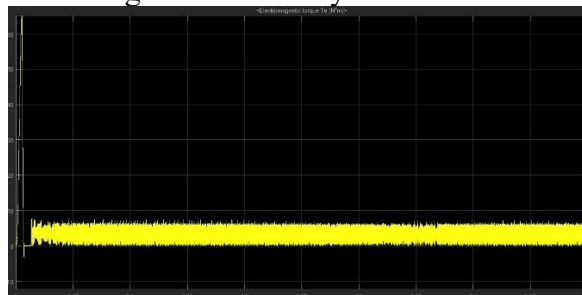
The above graph is a representation system response over time, which indicates that the output is rising rapidly and then gradually stabilizes to a steady value. The smooth curve in this graph indicates that there are minimal oscillations in the system, which in turn indicates that the system is operating efficiently.



The above graph indicates the initial transient response with significant oscillations and overshoots. It then gradually approaches a steady-state with an oscillatory waveform. The system seems to have reached a steady state with constant frequency and amplitude. It is assumed that the system has reached a state of equilibrium with the presence of oscillations.



The above graph indicates the state of charge of the battery, which is continuously declining. The declining nature of the state of charge indicates the consumption of energy during the operation of the vehicle. The initial sharp decline in the state of charge is followed by a constant rate of decline.



The graph shows that it is a graph of the electromagnetic torque response, where there is a spike at first, followed by a region of stability. The graph shows that the system has a stable operation as it oscillates within a small range. This shows that it is efficiently regulating the torque.

VI. CONCLUSION:

The simulation results have shown that the proposed power split hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) model can attain better overall performance compared to conventional vehicles. The simulation results have shown that the proposed vehicle can efficiently distribute power from the engine and the electric motor during various driving conditions, thus reducing fuel consumption and emissions. In addition, the state of charge

(SOC) of the battery is maintained at an optimal level, thus ensuring proper battery management. The system response is found to be stable, which indicates that the proposed vehicle can operate reliably. Furthermore, regenerative braking is also implemented in this vehicle, which can recover maximum energy during deceleration, thus ensuring improved vehicle efficiency. From the simulation results, it is validated that the proposed vehicle can attain better overall performance using the proposed optimized solution based on MATLAB/Simulink for developing a hybrid vehicle.

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