



E-Pico Master's Thesis

Cooperative lane change manoeuvre for HEV/PHEV automated vehicles

In the situation of the multiple-vehicle scenario, the performance of energy management strategies (EMSs) of connected HEVs/PHEVs is generally evaluated on a single lane. However, lane-changing (e.g., overtaking and merging) manoeuvres would occur in realistic traffic conditions, which in turn produces disturbances for a platoon of vehicles. This definitely influences the performance of EMSs and therefore needs a new methodology to coordinate the connected vehicles. Some methods are reported in [1-2-3-4-5] for conventional vehicles regarding the merging and overtaking problem, which adopt stochastic controls to minimize the probability of collision. This can also be expanded to connected HEVs by considering the safety and fuel economy simultaneously.

■ Goals

In the connected environment, the subject vehicle can perceive the neighbouring vehicles via V2V communication. In this way, the behaviour of merging and overtaking may be monitored and thus reconsiders a new platooning for EMSs. Therefore, it is very interesting [6] to examine how to coordinate the velocity and devise EMSs for a platoon of HEVs/PHEVs to guarantee fuel efficiency and mobility subject to external disturbances (e.g., merging, overtaking).

■ Requirements

You should have a good understanding of Hybrid Electric Vehicles models, Vehicle dynamics, Automatic Control Theory, Connected Vehicles, MATLAB-SIMULINK.

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