

# Parallel ADMM for robust quadratic optimal resource allocation problems

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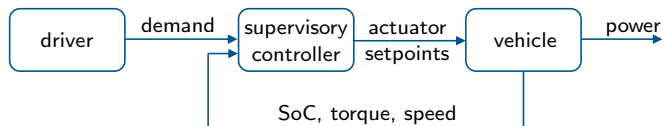
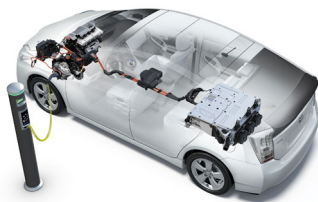
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# Motivation: PHEV energy management

Optimize power delivered by i.c. engine and electric motor while meeting driver demand

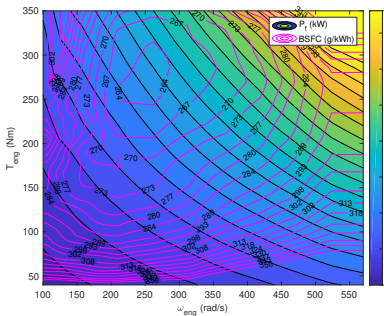
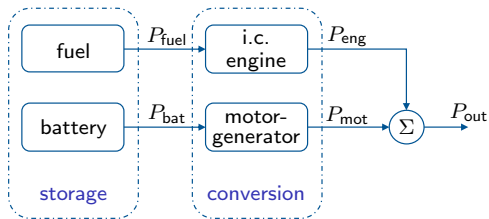


Minimize fuel consumption over a future horizon given

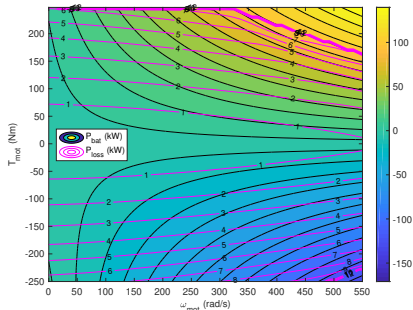
- ★ limits on energy capacity (battery SoC, fuel), power flows, torques
- ★ predicted demand from planned route, traffic, driver behaviour

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Piecewise quadratic maps  
fitted to fuel map &  
electrical loss map



Engine fuel map

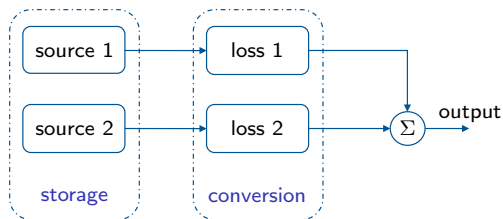


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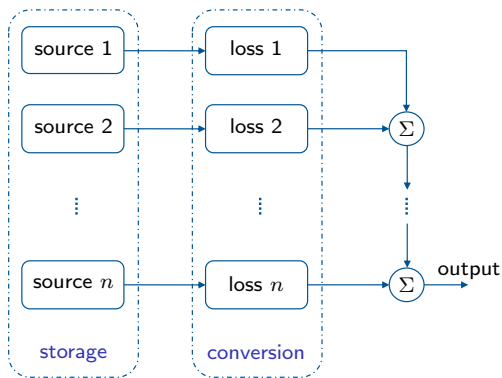
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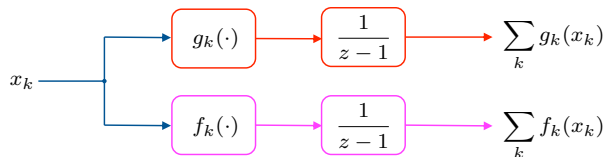
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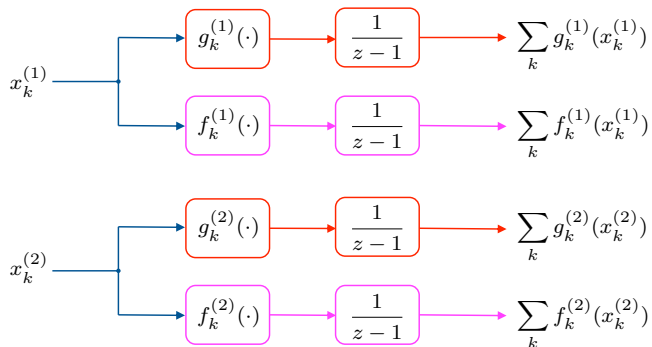
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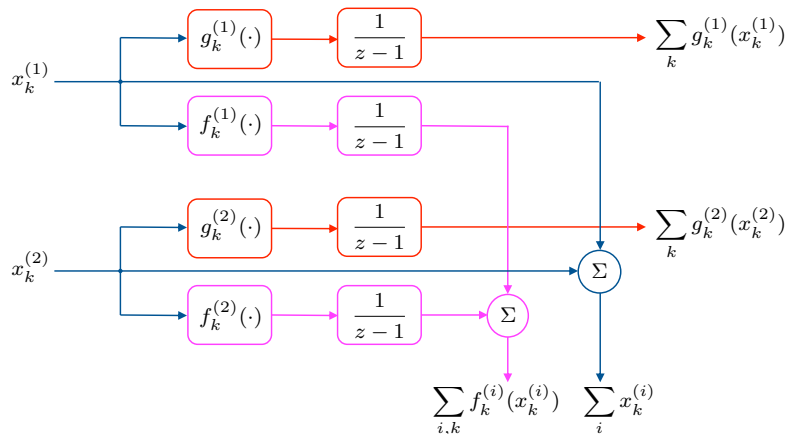
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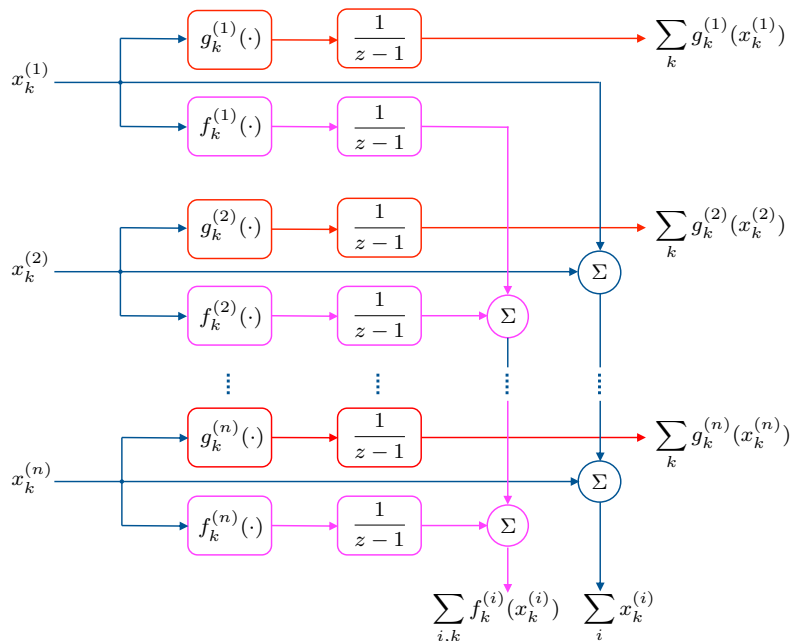


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split capacity constraints into: separable nonlinearities  
& linear constraints



# Algorithm

Augmented Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned} L = & \sum_{i,j,k} \frac{1}{q} f_k^{(i,j)}(x_k^{(i,j)}) \\ & + \sum_{i,j,k} \left[ \mathcal{I}_{[\underline{x}_k^{(i)}, \bar{x}_k^{(i)}]}(x_k^{(i,j)}) + \frac{\rho_1}{2} (z_k^{(i,j)} - g_k^{(i,j)}(x_k^{(i,j)}) + \lambda_k^{(i,j)})^2 \right] \\ & + \sum_{i,j} \left[ \mathcal{I}_{\leq c^{(i)}}(t^{(i,j)}) + \frac{\rho_2}{2} (t^{(i,j)} - \sum_k z_k^{(i,j)} + p^{(i,j)})^2 \right] \\ & + \sum_{j,k} \left[ \mathcal{I}_{\geq 0}(s_k^{(j)}) + \frac{\rho_3}{2} (s_k^{(j)} - \sum_i x_k^{(i,j)} + y_k^{(j)} + \mu_k^{(j)})^2 \right] \\ & + \sum_{i,j} \frac{\rho_4}{2} (x_1^{(i)} - x_1^{(i,j)} + \nu^{(i,j)})^2 \end{aligned}$$

- ★  $\lambda_k^{(i,j)}$ ,  $\mu_k^{(j)}$ ,  $\nu^{(i,j)}$ ,  $p^{(i,j)}$ : Lagrange multipliers
- ★  $\rho_1$ ,  $\rho_2$ ,  $\rho_3$ : multiplier update step size parameters

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ADMM iteration: primal update

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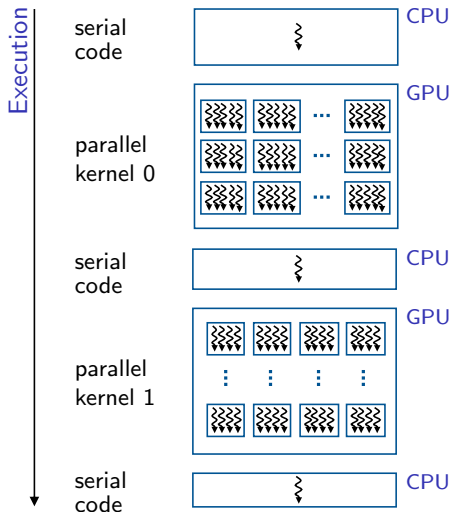
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# Parallel GPU implementation

CUDA heterogeneous programming model

CUDA kernels run in parallel on the GPU

Threads execute same instructions simultaneously using different data





## Quartic minimization

- ★  $x^* = \operatorname{argmin}_x Ax^4 + Bx^3 + Cx^2 + Dx$
- ★ Fast algebraic solution based on Vieta's and Cardano's methods:

**Input** : coefficients  $A, B, C, D$

$b \leftarrow 3B/4A, c \leftarrow C/2A, d \leftarrow D/4A;$

$Q \leftarrow c/3 - b^2/9, R \leftarrow bc/6 - b^3/27 - d/2, \Delta \leftarrow Q^3 + R^2;$

**if**  $\Delta > 0$  **then**

    |  $x^* \leftarrow (R + \sqrt{\Delta})^{1/3} + (R - \sqrt{\Delta})^{1/3} - b/3;$

**else if**  $Q = R = 0$  **then**

    |  $x^* \leftarrow -b/3;$

**else**

    |  $\theta \leftarrow \cos^{-1}(R/|Q|^{3/2});$

    |  $x_a \leftarrow 2|Q|^{1/2} \cos(\theta/3) - b/3;$

    |  $x_b \leftarrow 2|Q|^{1/2} \cos(\theta/3 + 2\pi/3) - b/3;$

    |  $x_c \leftarrow 2|Q|^{1/2} \cos(\theta/3 + 4\pi/3) - b/3;$

    |  $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \leftarrow \operatorname{sort}(x_a, x_b, x_c);$

    |  $\delta f \leftarrow \frac{1}{4}(x_1^4 - x_3^4) + \frac{b}{3}(x_1^3 - x_3^3) + \frac{c}{2}(x_1^2 - x_3^2) + d(x_1 - x_3);$

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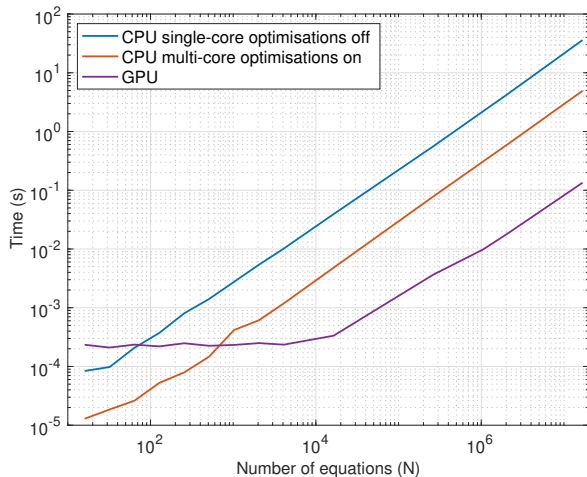
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Computation time for minimization of  $N$  quartics with random coefficients  
(CPU speed optimizations via compiler flags `/Ox` and `/Od`)



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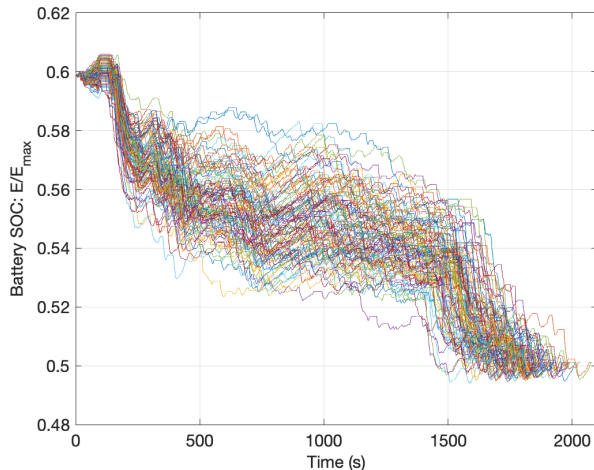
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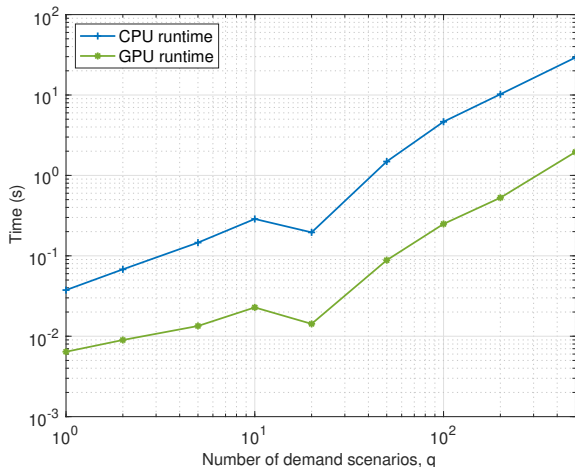
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Optimal predicted battery state of charge profiles with 100 power demand scenarios generated from random perturbations of FTP-75 drive cycle



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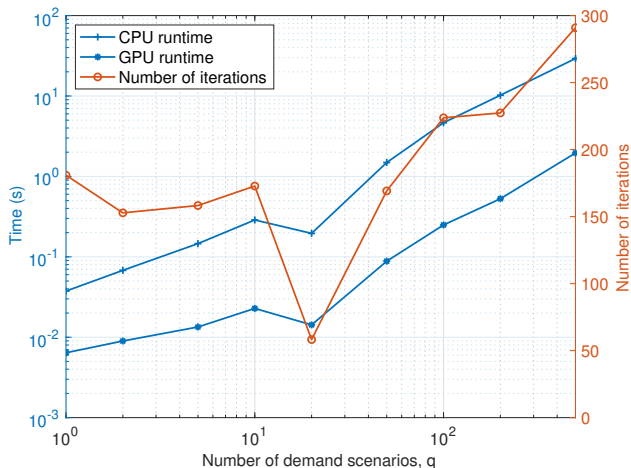
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