

Running Longer Trains more Productively and Less Destructively



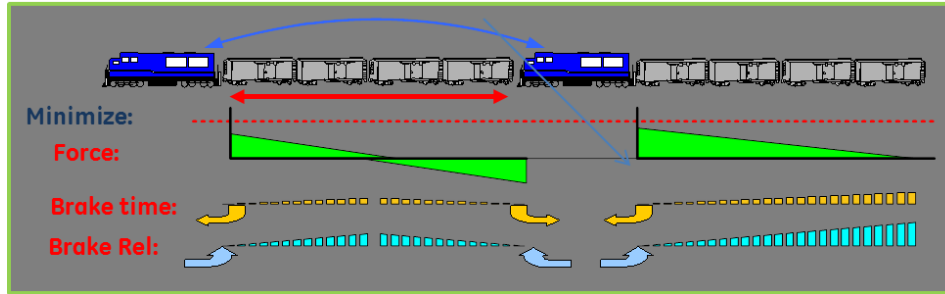
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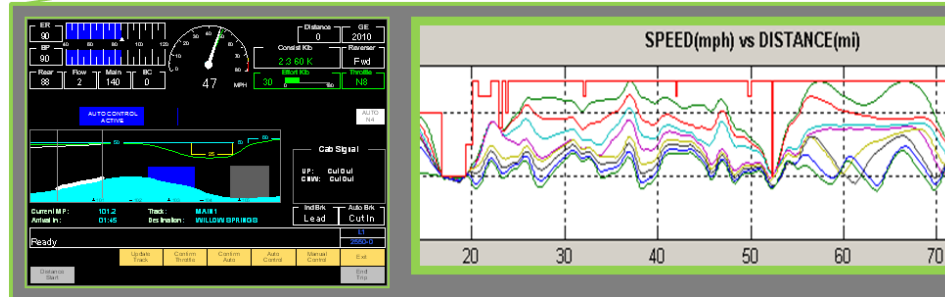
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The Braun and the Brains...

Two Complimentary Technologies for Long Trains:



LOCOTROL Distributed Power (DP) 1985



Trip Optimizer (TO) Train Control System 2005



More Productively: Distributed Power Capacity



99,732 tons, 682 ore cars
2x168x2x168x2x168x1x178x1
BP segments: 5,800'



~42,000 tons, 342 ore cars
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BP segments 3,740'



~45,000 tons, 336 ore cars
2x112x2x112x2x112
BP segments 3,608'



~10,000 tons, 179 wells
5x170x1 typ.
BP segment 10,000'



~16,000 tons, 306 wells
3x102x2x102x2x102x2
BP segment 6,000'



15,000 tons, 130 cars
1x174x1x174x1
BP segments 6000'



More Productively: Distributed Power Throughput⁴

Benefits of going from 1.5 Mile long trains to 2.2 Mile DP trains:

Trains reduced:

Crews reduced:

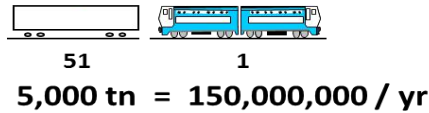
52/year

520/year

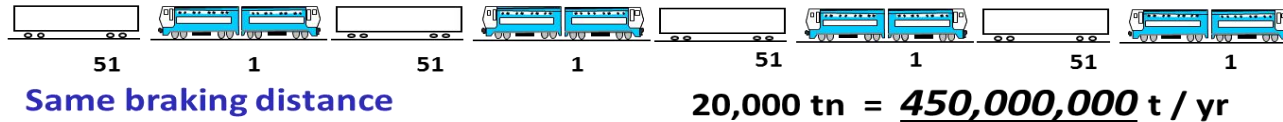


More Productively: Distributed Power Throughput⁵

Original Operation:



Current with DP: 4x Capacity, 90 trains daily



Same braking distance
Same safe train interval
No changes needed to signaling!



Total Program ROI: just over 2 years

LOCOTROL ROI: ~ 3-4 months




More Productively: Distributed Power Stopping Dist.

Train Design

Date: 12 October 2006
 Project Number: 050105.01TDN
 Reference: / RS - 2006 / 141

EVALUATION OF *THIRD* 342 (30T/AXLE) WAGON ORE TRAIN
 USING AUTHENTIC LOCOTROL DISTRIBUTED POWER
 EQUIPMENT



Teams:
 Technology Management (Train Design)
 Technology Management (Signals & Telecommunications)
 Traction Department (Electrical Test)

**DP: With 3 remotes equals
 ECP Brake performance**

Approved
 Principal Engineer (Train Design)



More Productively: Distributed Power Fuel Savings

322 Out of Macon:

- DP Avg: 342 GTK/Litre (805 GTM/Gal)
- Conventional Avg: 326 GTK/Litre (766 GTM/Gal)

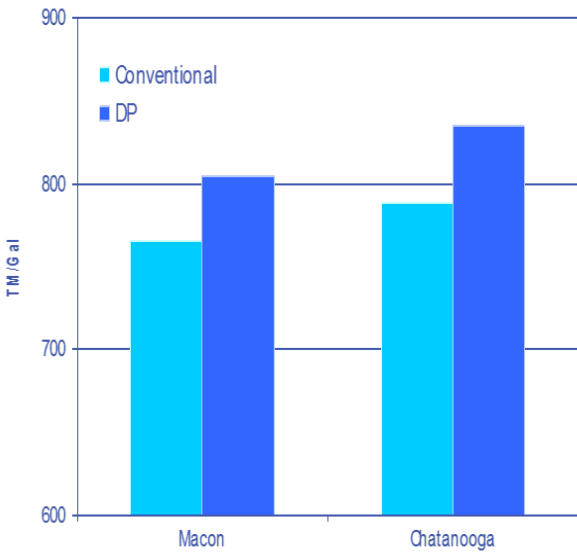
5.2% Difference

361 Out of Chattanooga:

- DP Avg: 355 GTK/Litre (835 GTM/Gal)
- Conventional Avg: 335 GTK/Litre (788 GTM/Gal)

6.0% Difference

Fuel Efficiency



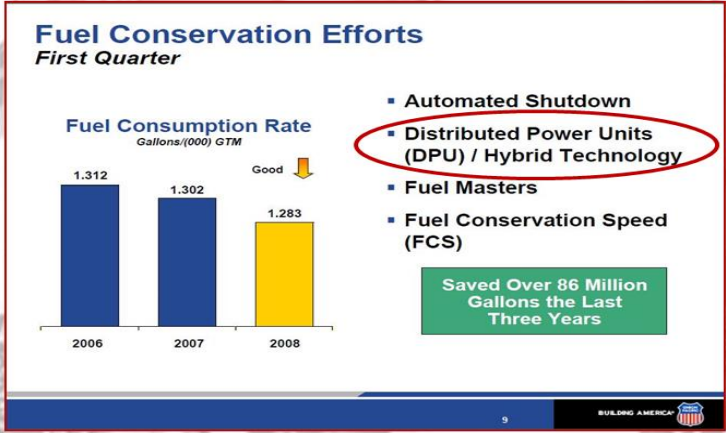
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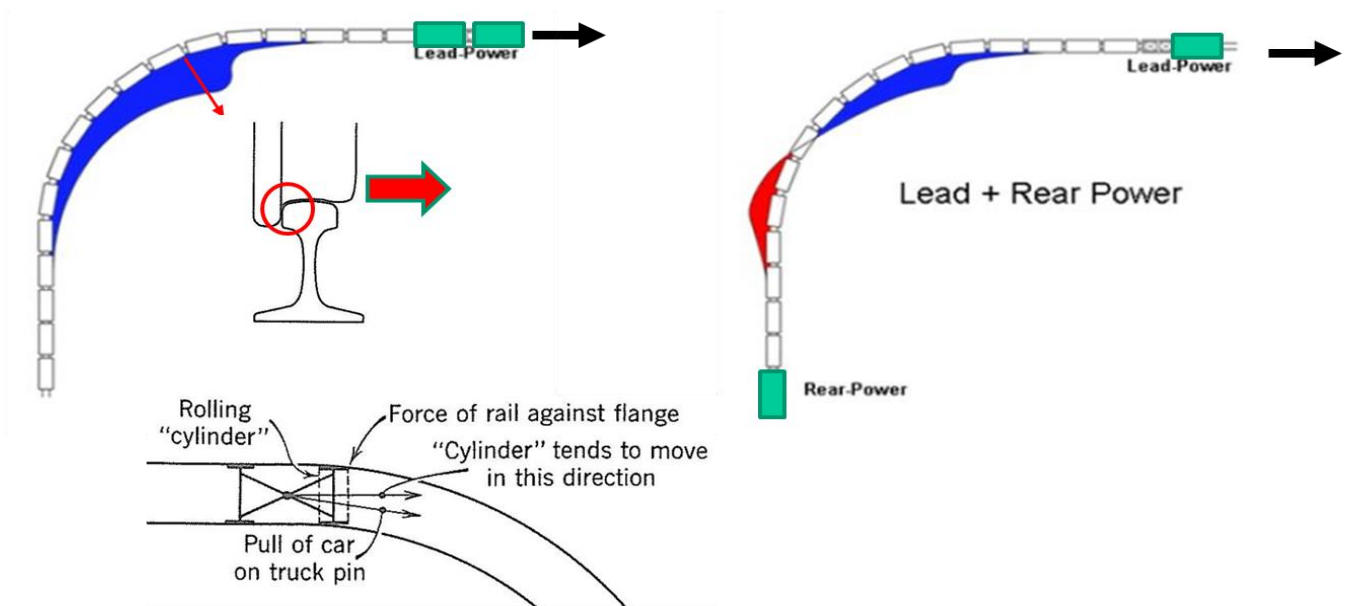
- 6% Fuel Savings
- 10% Improvement in overall tonnage
- 11% Improvement in fewer train starts

Union Pacific:

- 5% Fuel Savings across the fleet due to LOCOTROL



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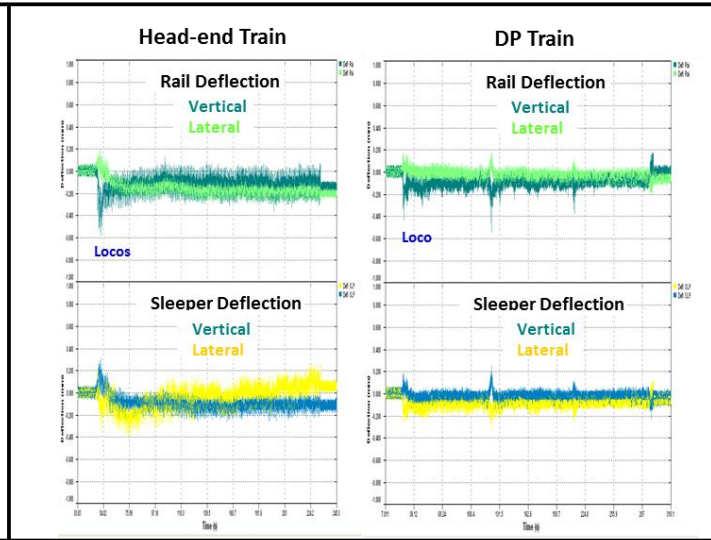
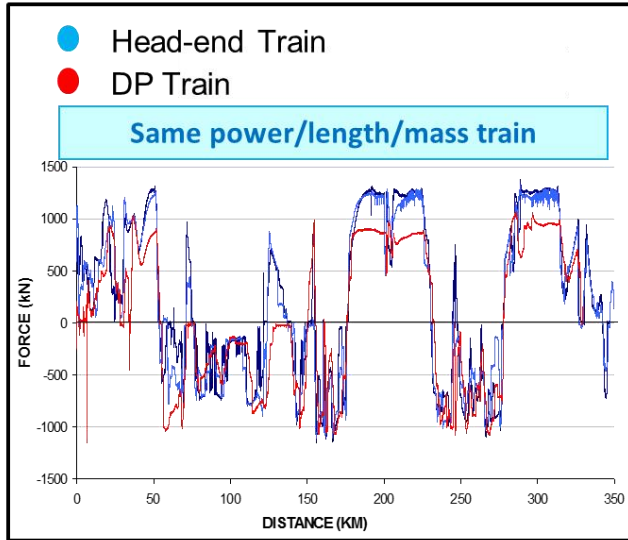


Union Pacific RR: 5% fuel savings over 5 years

Canadian Pacific RR: 6% fuel savings over 4 years



Less Destructively: Distributed Power



5 Year Revenue Service Data



Less Destructively: Distributed Power Control of Lateral Force



Before

The rail installed in Oct. 2004 and replaced in May 2005.

- The extreme rail wear was seen after only 7 months.



After

After installation in May of 2005, which is 7 months, the curve rail wear was between 1/32 to 2/32.

- This is a major improvement.
- Rail Life extended from one year to five years.

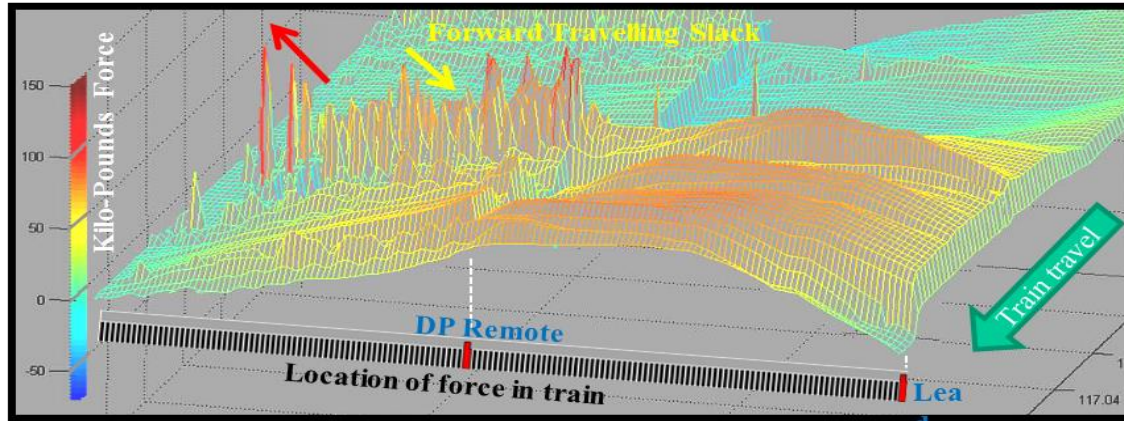
DP RESULTED IN AN AVERAGE

80% LESS Rail Wear!

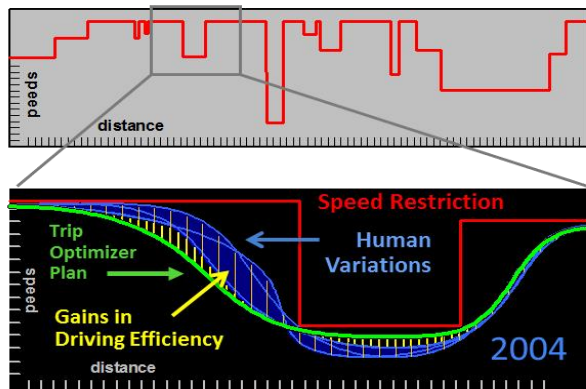
- Less friction wear = less Fuel
- Longer Wheel Life
- Less Track grinding/replacement Downtime
- Less Sleeper/Wheel Maintenance



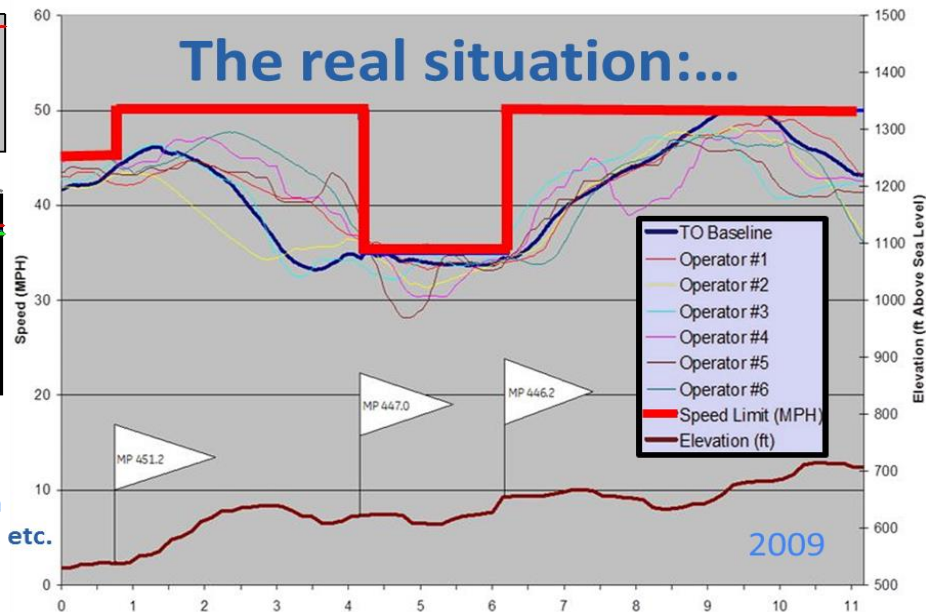
Less Destructively: Distributed Power Slack Action Control



More Productively: Trip Optimizer



Human Variations Due to:
Variations in train mass, Rolling resistance,
Locomotive capability/de-rating, Wind, Train
length, Mass distribution, Driver experience, etc.



Trip Optimizer

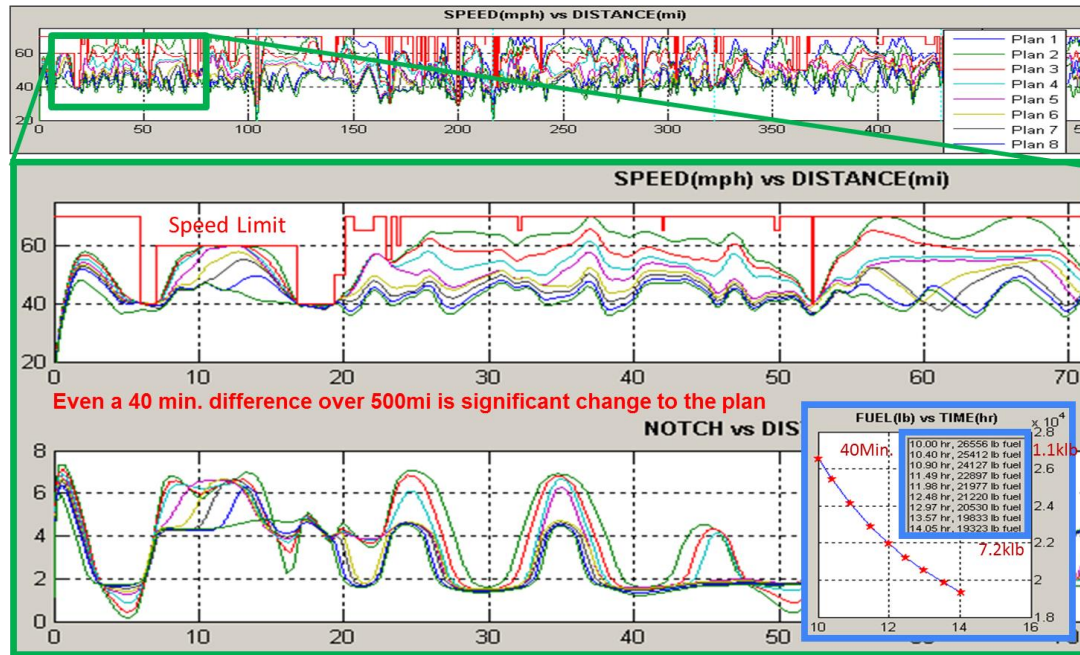
- Plans the most efficient (Optimum) way to Drive for whatever is being Optimized (fuel, time, handling...)
- Automatically Drives to the plan



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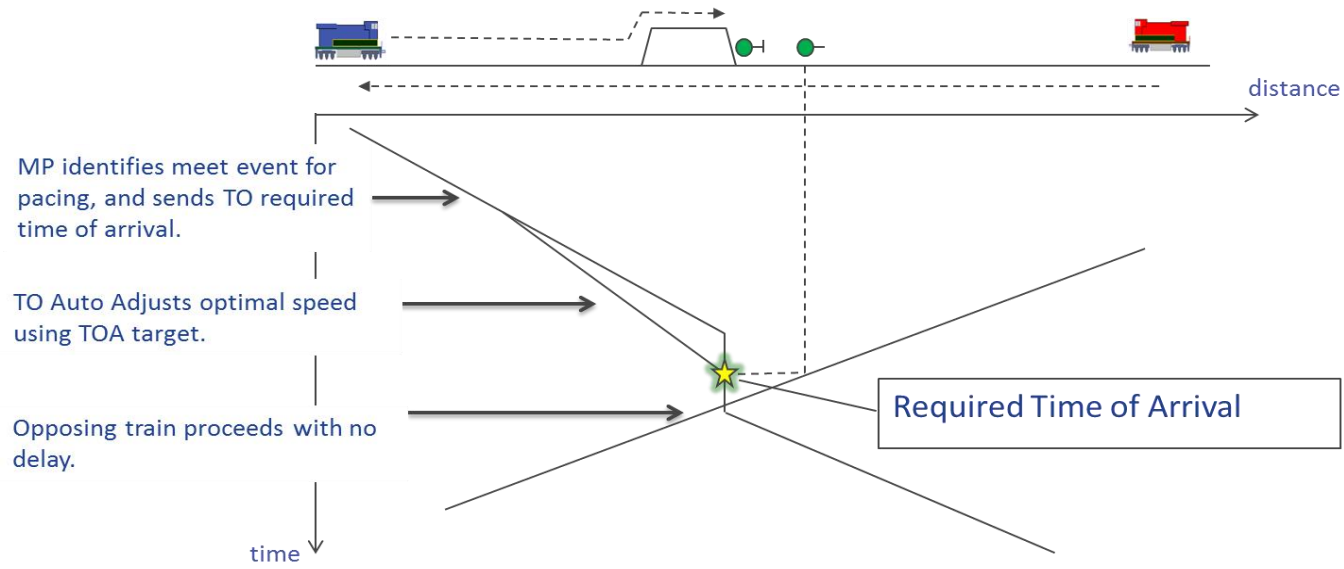
TO Optimization/Plan – Complex Physics Based

- **Full parametric optimization:** For a given set of parameters and constraints (speed restrictions, train mass, HP, train resistance, in-train force, time, etc.), there is *only one* optimum solution. Upon on *new or learned* data TO can rapidly Calculate the change



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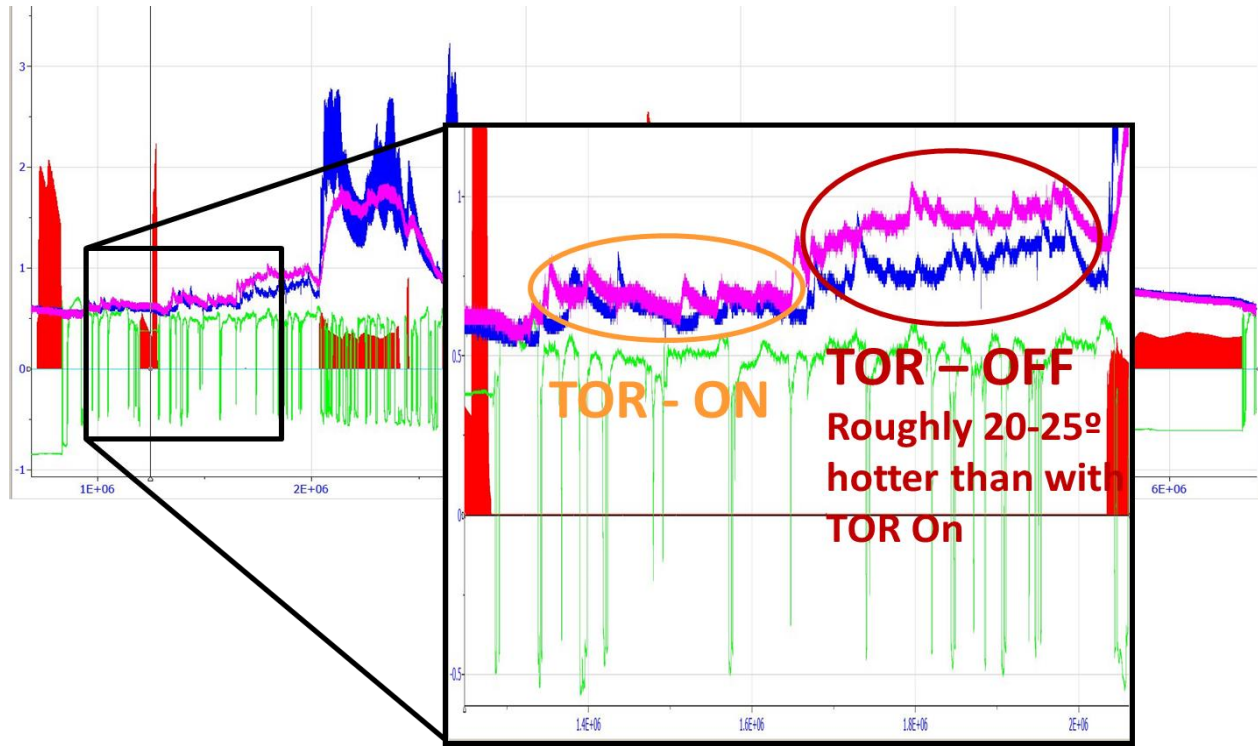
Energy Efficient Train Meet



Delayed train saves fuel by pacing approach to meet



Less Destructively: Trip Optimizer Friction Modifier Control*



* Tested, under evaluation



Less Destructively: Trip Optimizer/DP Computer Controlled Slack Action Control

Relative speed control

Concept

Regulate difference between crucial car speeds along the trip

Multiple interacting speed control loops

- relative speeds between consists
- planned speed deviation
- remote loco to tail speed

Impact

Real-time train-handling
Run-in avoidance

