

# Rocket Stage Optimization Results

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## 1 Introduction

This report presents the results of optimizing a multi-stage rocket using various optimization methods. The objective was to maximize the payload mass fraction while satisfying the total delta-V requirement.

## 2 Input Assumptions

### 2.1 Global Parameters

Table 1: Global Parameters

Parameter	Value
Gravitational Acceleration ( $G_0$ )	$9.81 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
Total $\Delta V$ Required	$0.0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

### 2.2 Stage Parameters

Table 2: Stage Parameters and Assumptions

Stage	ISP (s)	Mass Fraction ( $\epsilon$ )
1	300	0.150
2	348	0.100
3	400	0.040

## 3 Optimization Methods

The following optimization methods were evaluated:

- SLSQP
- BASIN-HOPPING

- GA
- ADAPTIVE-GA
- DE
- PSO

## 4 Optimization Results

### 4.1 Performance Visualization

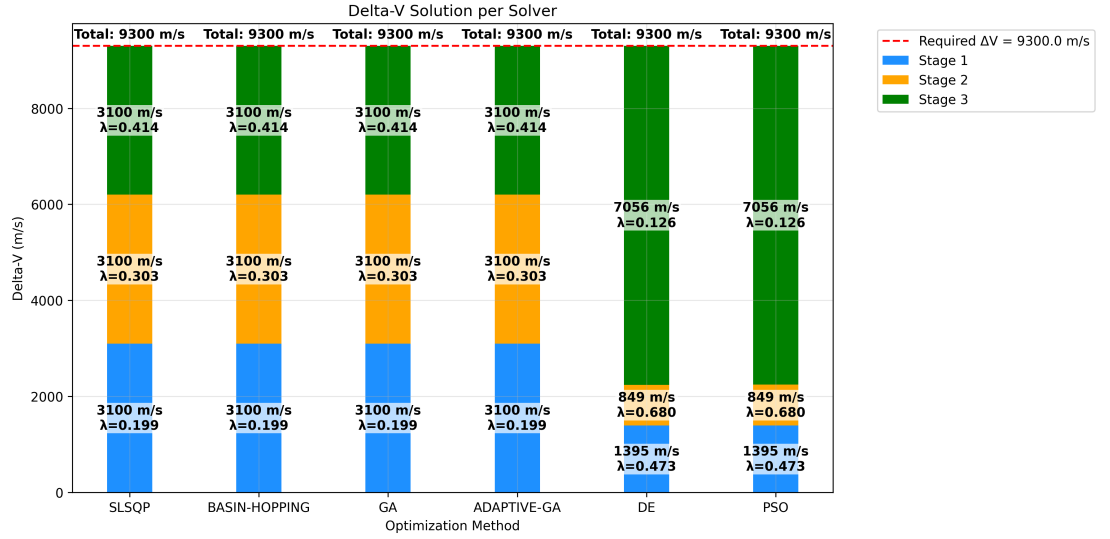


Figure 1:  $\Delta V$  Distribution Across Stages

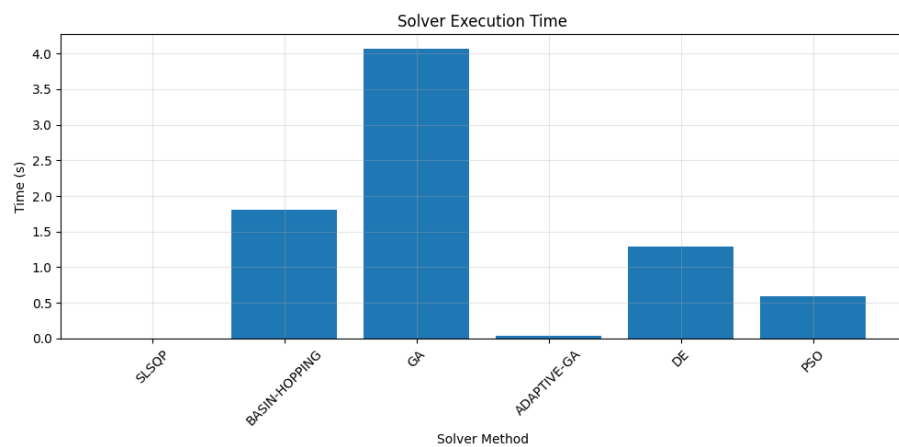


Figure 2: Solver Execution Time Comparison

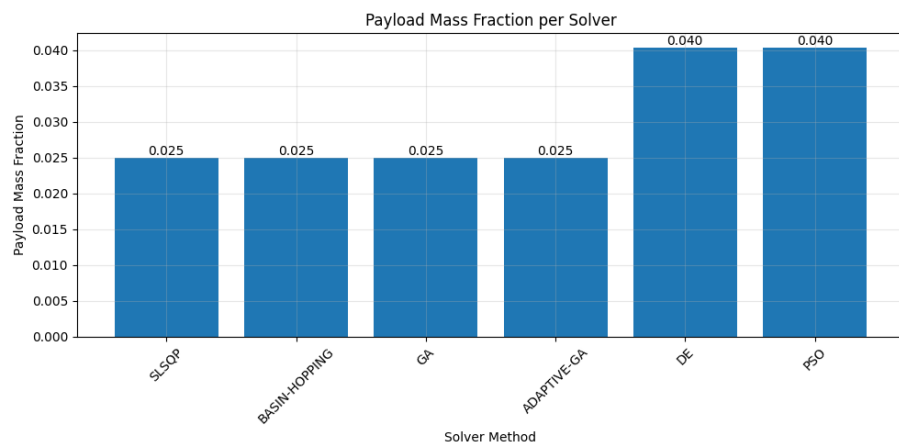


Figure 3: Payload Fraction Comparison

## 5 Final Results Summary

Table 3: Optimization Results Summary

Method	Payload Fraction	Error	Time (s)
SLSQP	0.0249	0.0000	0.00
BASIN-HOPPING	0.0250	$1.8190 \times 10^{-12}$	1.81
GA	0.0249	0.0000	4.07
ADAPTIVE-GA	0.0249	0.0000	0.04
DE	0.0403	0.0000	1.29
PSO	0.0403	0.0000	0.60

### 5.1 Stage-by-Stage Analysis

Table 4: Stage 1 Comparison Across Methods

Method	$\Delta V$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	Mass Ratio ( $\lambda$ )	Contribution (%)
SLSQP	3100.0	0.1988	33.3
BASIN-HOPPING	3099.8	0.1988	33.3
GA	3100.0	0.1988	33.3
ADAPTIVE-GA	3100.0	0.1988	33.3
DE	1395.0	0.4725	15.0
PSO	1395.0	0.4725	15.0

Table 5: Stage 2 Comparison Across Methods

Method	$\Delta V$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	Mass Ratio ( $\lambda$ )	Contribution (%)
SLSQP	3100.0	0.3033	33.3
BASIN-HOPPING	3100.1	0.3033	33.3
GA	3100.0	0.3033	33.3
ADAPTIVE-GA	3100.0	0.3033	33.3
DE	848.6	0.6799	9.1
PSO	848.8	0.6799	9.1

Table 6: Stage 3 Comparison Across Methods

Method	$\Delta V$ (m s <sup>-1</sup> )	Mass Ratio ( $\lambda$ )	Contribution (%)
SLSQP	3100.0	0.4138	33.3
BASIN-HOPPING	3100.1	0.4138	33.3
GA	3100.0	0.4138	33.3
ADAPTIVE-GA	3100.0	0.4138	33.3
DE	7056.4	0.1256	75.9
PSO	7056.2	0.1256	75.9

Table 7: Stage Distribution Summary

Method	Stage 1 (%)	Stage 2 (%)	Stage 3 (%)	Total $\lambda$
SLSQP	33.3	33.3	33.3	0.0249
BASIN-HOPPING	33.3	33.3	33.3	0.0250
GA	33.3	33.3	33.3	0.0249
ADAPTIVE-GA	33.3	33.3	33.3	0.0249
DE	15.0	9.1	75.9	0.0403
PSO	15.0	9.1	75.9	0.0403

**Key Observations:**

- Methods with even  $\Delta V$  distribution ( $\approx 33.3/33.3/33.3$ ): SLSQP, BASIN-HOPPING, GA, ADAPTIVE-GA
- Methods with uneven distribution: DE, PSO
- Best Stage 1 mass ratio: PSO
- Best Stage 2 mass ratio: DE
- Best Stage 3 mass ratio: SLSQP