

# **SuperTruck Program: Engine Project Review**

## **Recovery Act – Class 8 Truck Freight Efficiency Improvement Project**

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**Project ID: ACE058**

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## Timeline

- Project start: April 2010
- Project end: March 2015
- Percent complete: 80%

## Budget

- Engine Budget \$31,633,001
  - DOE Share\* \$12,883,779
  - Detroit Share\* \$12,883,779

\* Program spending through March 2014 for engine R&D; vehicle R&D expenses reported separately.

## Barriers & Challenges

- WHR performance trade-offs and cooling challenges on-board vehicle.
- Complex controls architecture and integration of powertrain and novel technologies.
- Reliability of prototype systems in development and demonstration phase.
- Low temperature transient emissions controls.
- Realistic 55% engine BTE roadmap.

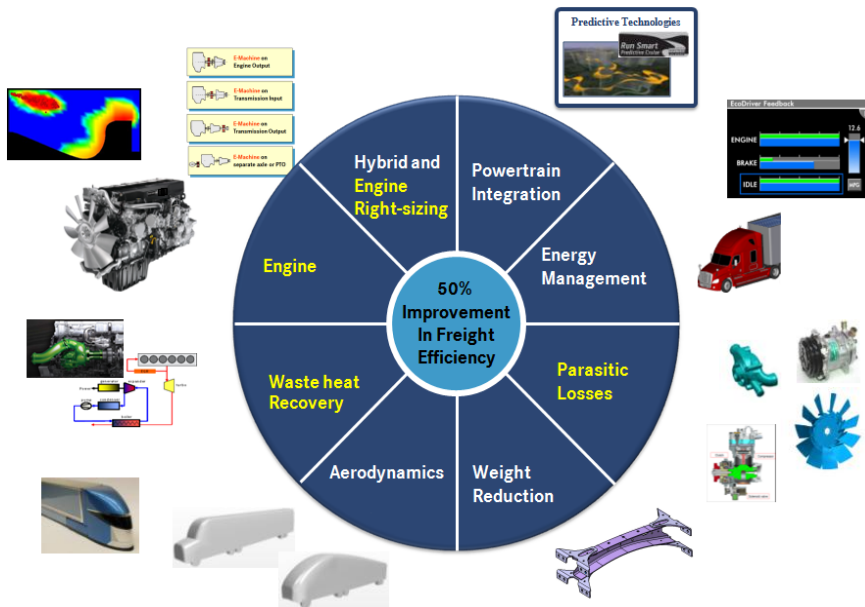
## Partners

- Department of Energy
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Atkinson LLC
- Daimler Trucks North America
- Daimler Advanced Engineering

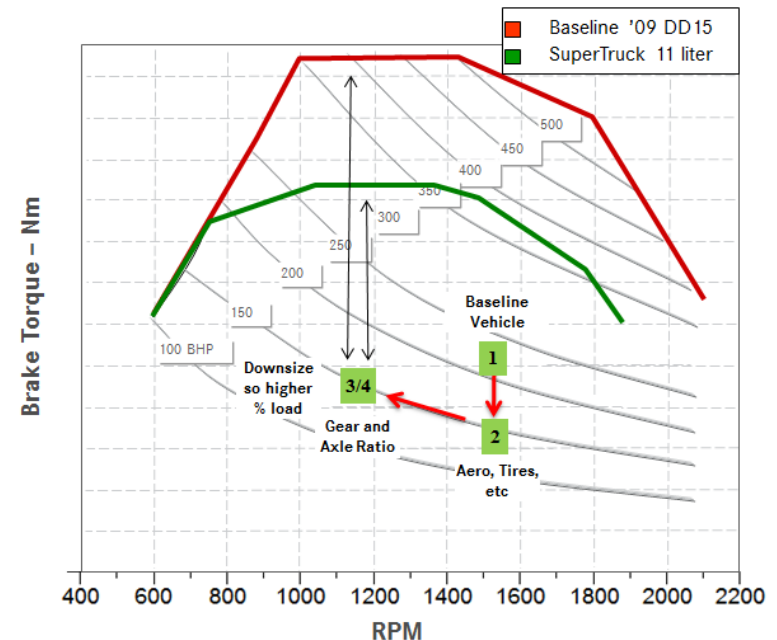
## Daimler Truck SuperTruck Program

**Develop and demonstrate a 50% increase in vehicle freight efficiency:**

- 30% increase via vehicle improvements.
- 20% increase via engine improvements; specifically 50% brake thermal efficiency.
  - Identify pathway to 55% brake thermal efficiency via modeling and analysis.



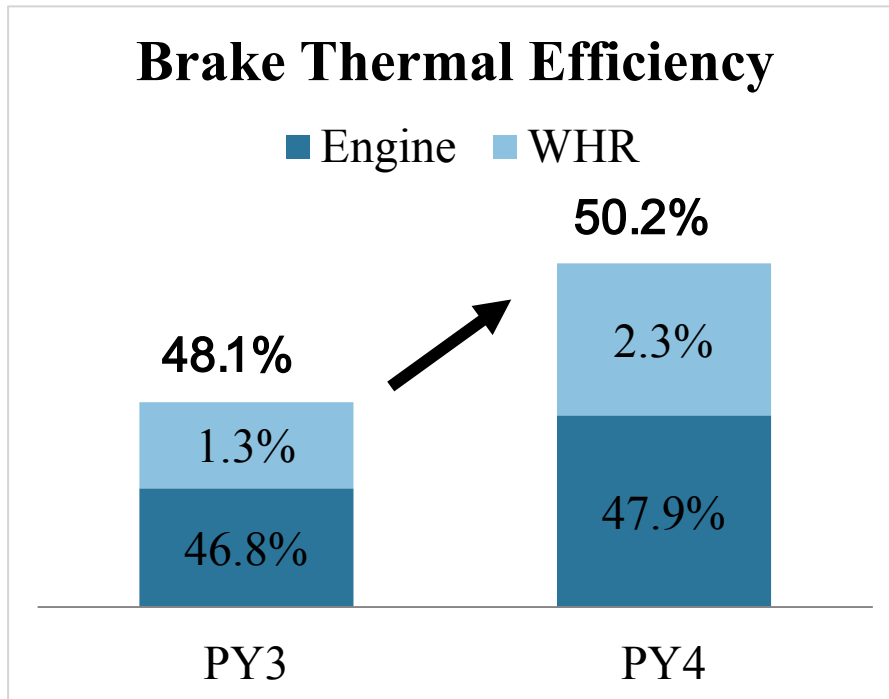
### Engine Downsizing & Downsizing



- ARRAVT080 – DTNA SuperTruck vehicle program; PI – Derek Rotz
- ACE058 – Detroit Diesel SuperTruck engine; PI – Sandeep Singh

# SuperTruck Demonstration Status

- Prototype A-sample SuperTruck vehicle built and being utilized for testing and development.
- Successful integration of complex technologies – EHR, hybrid & HV systems, controllers and network architecture, new cooling layout, new hydraulic systems, powertrain.
- Final demonstration truck builds in progress.



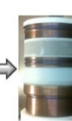
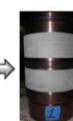
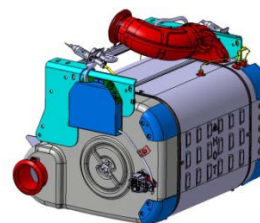
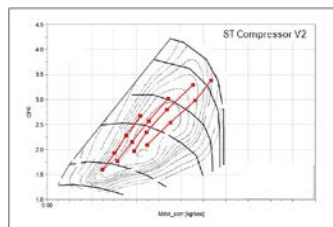
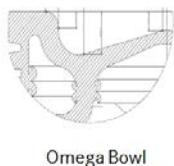
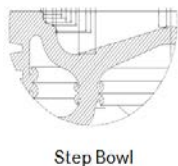
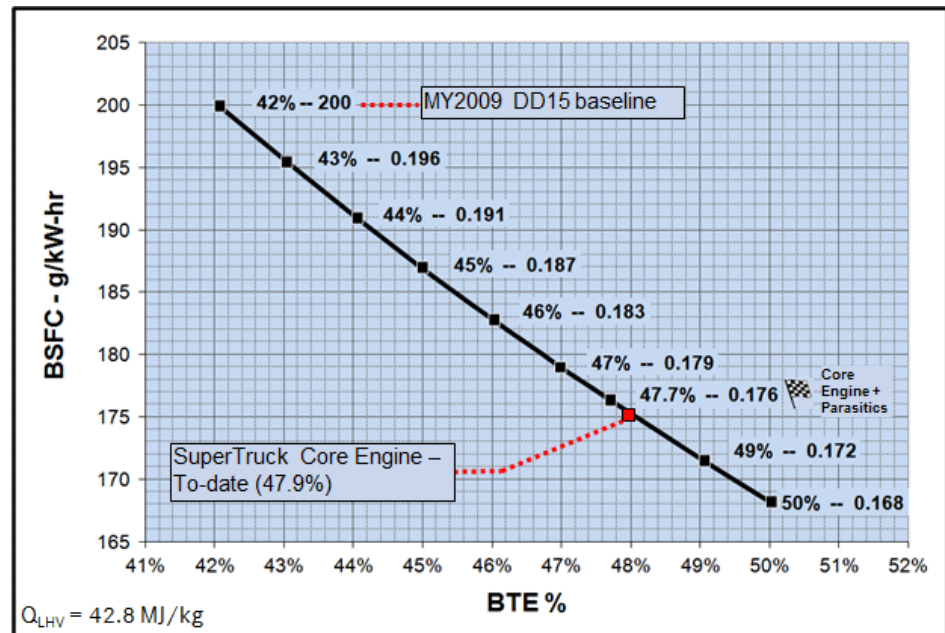
## Enablers for Project Year 4 (PY4) BTE Improvement → 2.1%

- Further increase in compression ratio (CR), piston bowl and matching injector profile optimization.
- Third iteration of turbo-charger.
- Optimized liner cooling.
- EGR waste heat recovery.
- WHR component and calibration optimization.

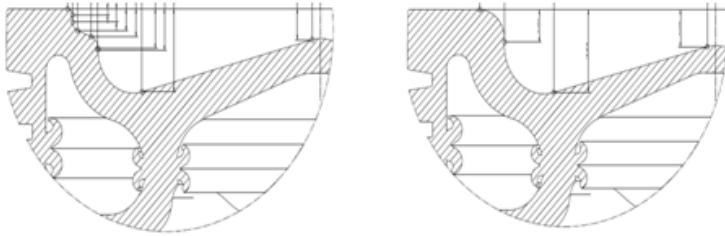
## SuperTruck Core Engine BTE Status

### 47.9% BTE SuperTruck Core Engine Technology Package

- Downsizing to 10.7L from 14.8L
- Reduced EGR & optimized turbocharger and air system match
- Higher compression ratio, piston bowl optimization, matching injector nozzles
- Variable speed water pump
- Low viscosity oil and higher oil film temperatures
- Piston kit improvements
- High efficiency, lower restriction aftertreatment



## Piston and Compression Ratio



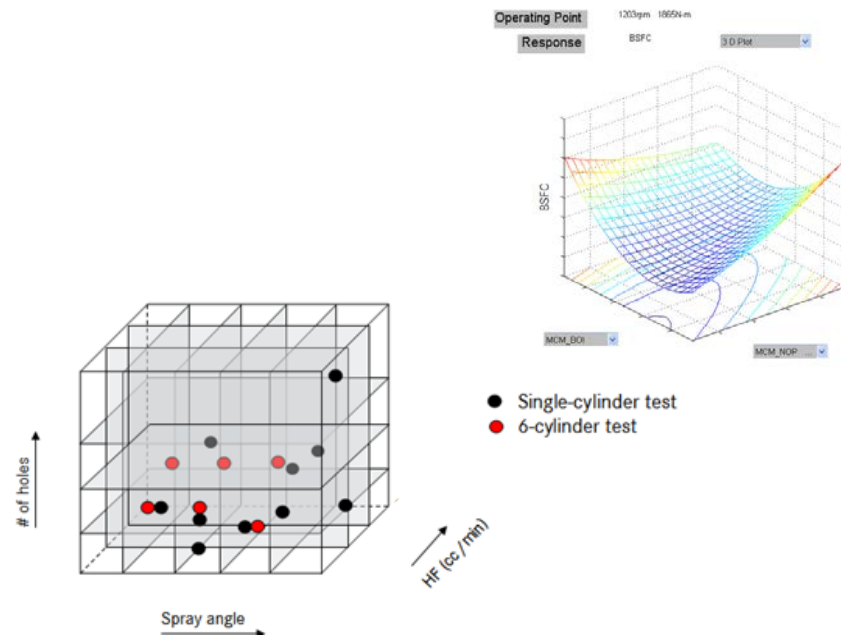
Step Bowl

Omega Bowl

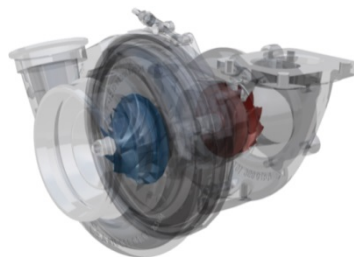
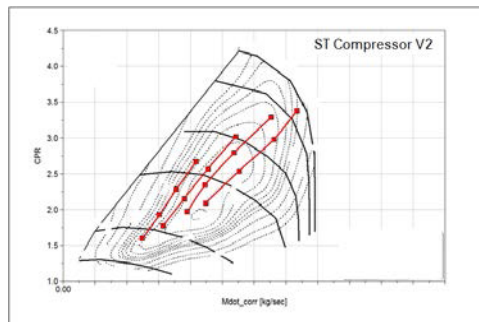
- Optimized combustion package for best fuel economy.
- Peak firing pressure increased by 15%
- Plans to test even higher CR. (55%scoping)
- Efficient part load operation, but challenges with high load durability, head & block design and material, NVH, emissions.

## Fuel Injection System

- Best injector and piston combination selected after extensive testing.
- Combination of single cylinder and multicylinder platforms used for this investigation.



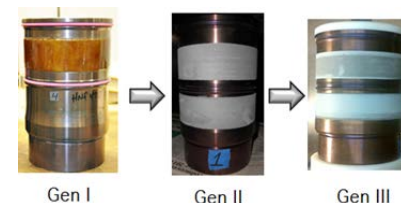
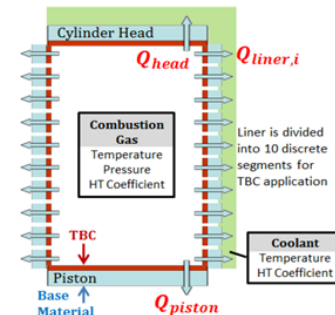
## Air Handling



- Turbo sized for reduced EGR and air mass contributing to lower pumping losses.
- Tuned for a downsped engine.
- Engine air system design leverages a lower power rating required for the aerodynamically and parasitically efficient SuperTruck.
- Approach requires a very high efficiency SCR and low backpressure aftertreatment (ATS).

## Parasitic Reductions

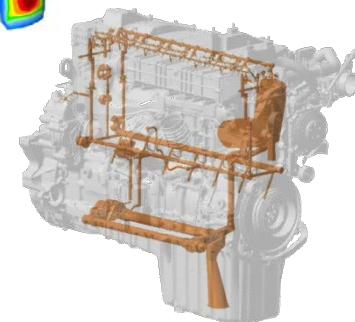
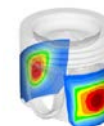
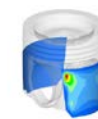
- Variable speed water pump, lower viscosity oil, bundled cylinder kit improvements.
- Altered cooling to mid-stroke area of the liner (Detroit/MIT).



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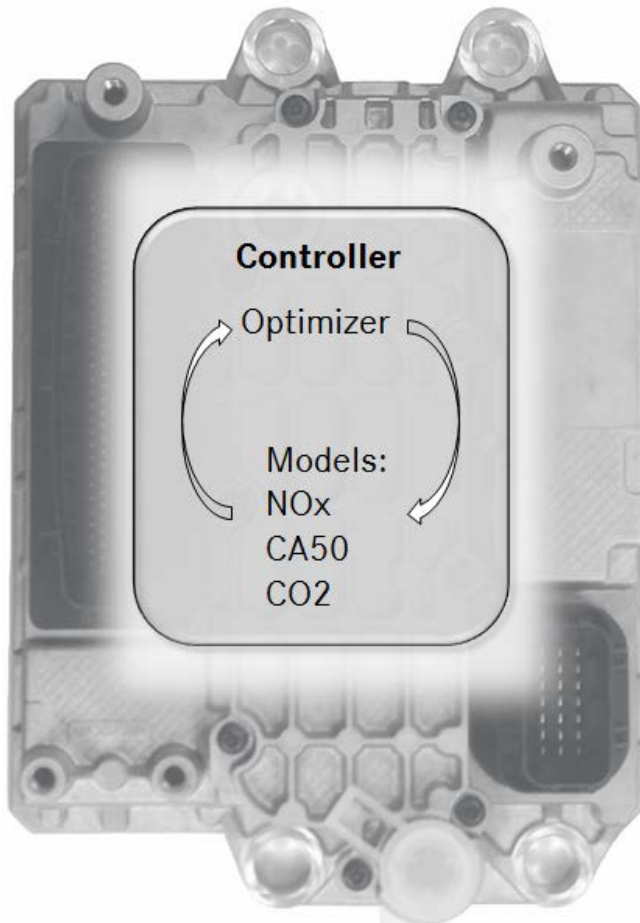
## Further Investigations (55% Scoping)...

- Next evolution of liner cooling optimization (Detroit/MIT).
- New lubricant formulation (MIT+oil supplier).
- Oil circuit and pump optimizations (MIT).





# SuperTruck Engine Control Approach

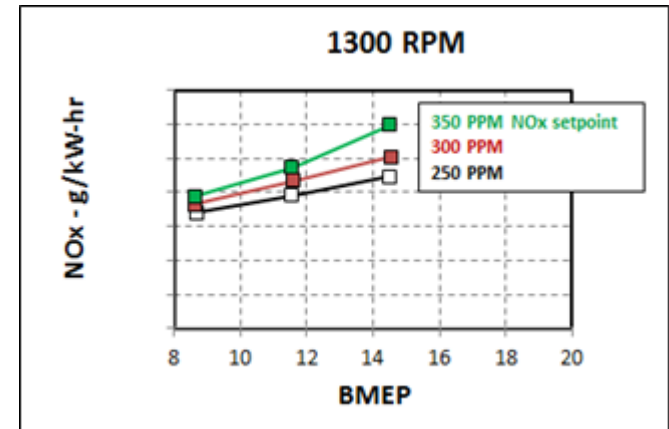
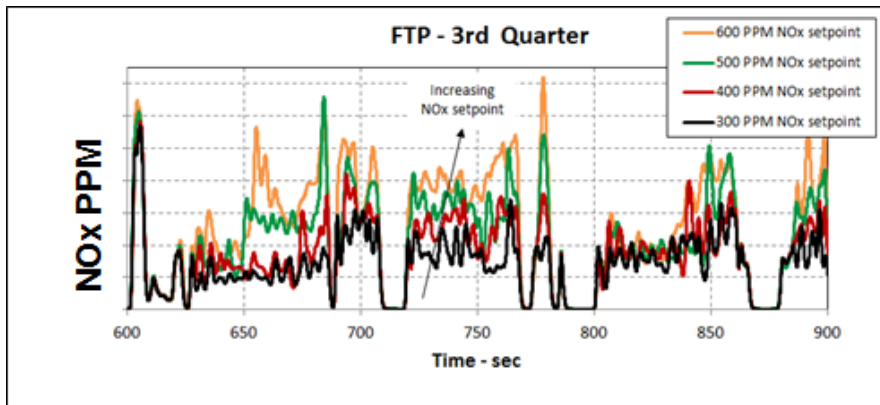


- Model based controls (MBC) optimize fuel economy and constraint emissions in real time.
- Extensive transient & steady state mapping used to calibrate engine models.
- Both offline & real time optimization of engine set-points for improved transient performance & fuel economy.



# Engine Controller Accomplishments

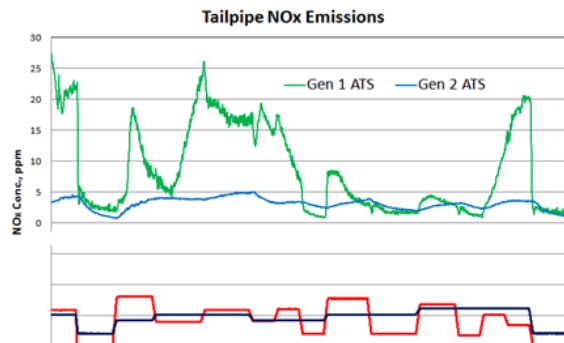
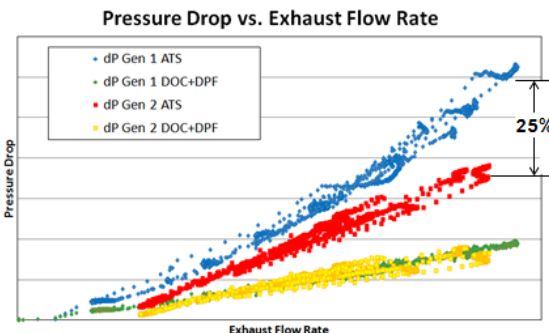
- Controller implemented on a micro-autobox on-board vehicle.
- Standardized and reduced calibration process for each hardware iteration.
- Real time optimization on dynamometer successfully drives the engine to a broad range of emissions/fuel economy trade-offs.
- Preparation for demonstration vehicle testing is currently underway, to quantify transient fuel economy impact on the vehicle.
- Future development of MBC includes
  - Predictive route adaptation
  - Environmental and aging adaptation
  - Virtual sensing for diagnostics



## Aftertreatment System

### ATS

- Lower backpressure device
- High performance SCR catalyst, thin-wall DPF, high flow DEF doser
- Insulated exhaust and ATS on the vehicle
- Very high NOx conversion over the road to maintain emissions compliance with high engine out NOx (steady state)



### Engine

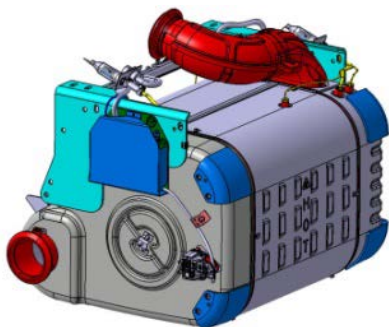
- Low EGR reduces pumping losses.
- Lower backpressure further reduces pumping losses.
- Higher engine out NOx:PM ratio lends to an over the road passive regeneration tendency.
- Savings in over the road active regeneration fuel.



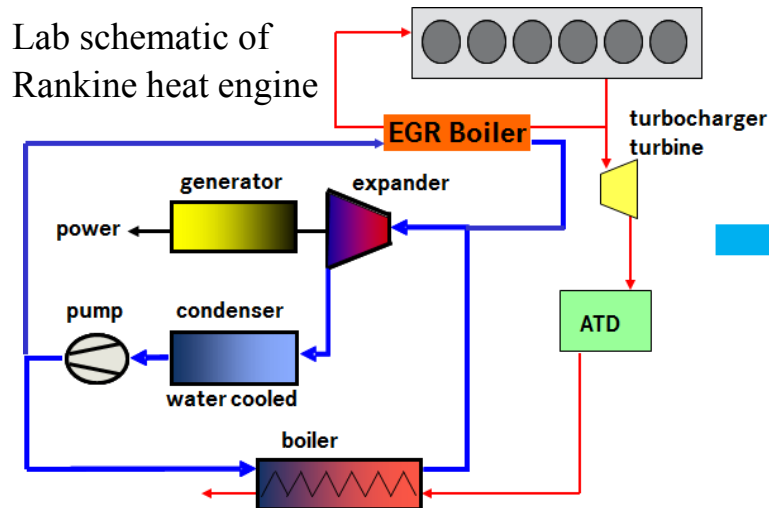
### Emissions Compliance



- EPA10 RMC and road load compliance demonstrated.
- Low temperature transient challenges being addressed by engine+ATS systems approach
- Real world degradation/ aging of a system required to consistently perform at high efficiency is a challenge



## Waste Heat Recovery (WHR)



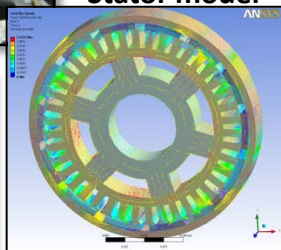
- System functional on A-sample SuperTruck prototype.
- Successful integration with the HV hybrid system and a modified cooling package.

### Coupled Expander Generator



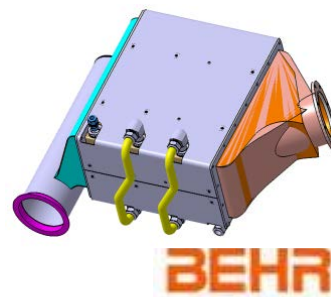
Wound field,  
no-rare earth  
e-machine

Stator model



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### Boiler

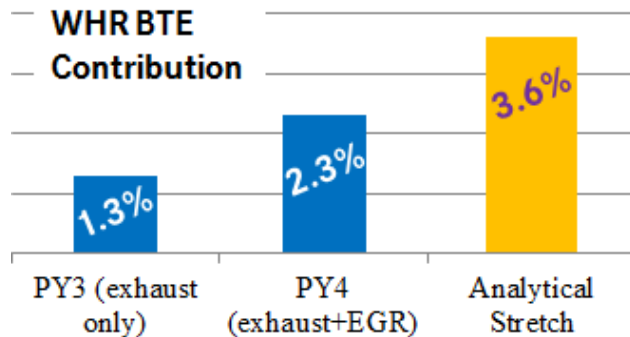


### Scroll Expander



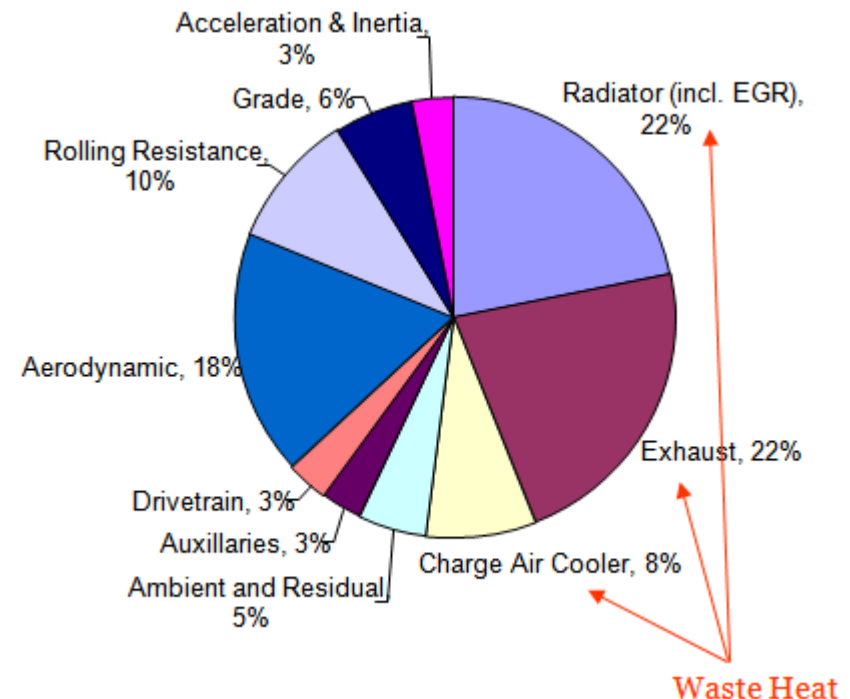
### Prototype Components

## WHR Progress & Accomplishments



Waste Heat Sources	Temperature Potential	Quantity
Exhaust	High	High
EGR	High	Low
CAC	Low	Low
Coolant	Low	High

- Primary contributor to PY4 efficiency improvement is EGR heat recovery and component optimizations.
- Current approach has numerous vehicle integration challenges.
- Analytical stretch projections assume improved component efficiencies, CAC heat recovery, and a low temperature condenser approach.
- Analytical stretch may prove to be impractical with state of the art vehicle technology.

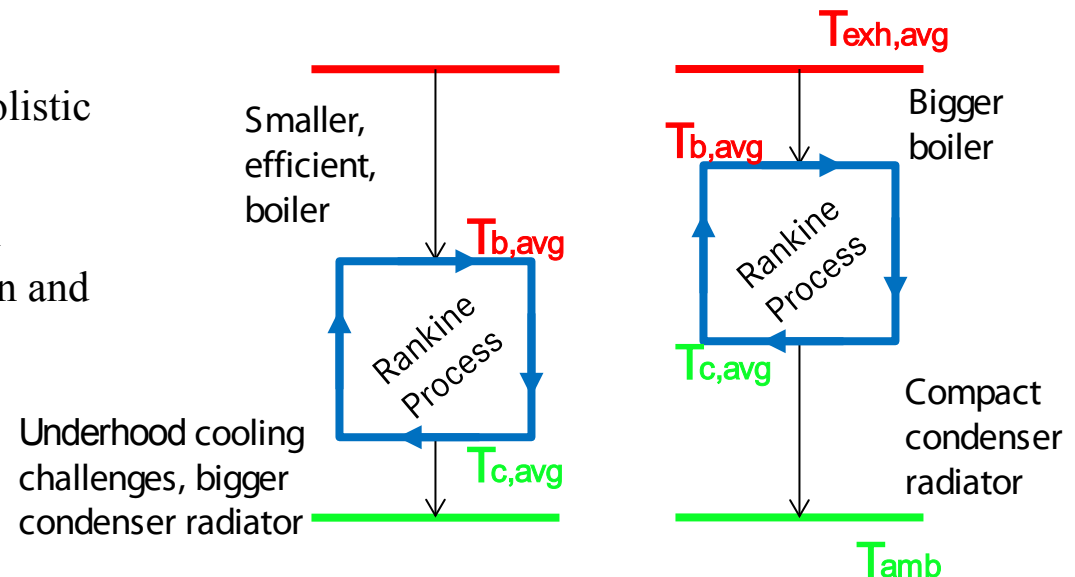


# WHR Vehicle Integration

	Electrical Vs. Mechanical Feedback	
	Electrical	Mechanical
Pros	Better energy management	Higher efficiency
Cons	Hybrid dependent	System sealing challenges w/ shaft seals, mag coupling etc.

## Process Temperature Impact on Design

- WHR vehicle cooling requires a holistic approach.
- Integrated vehicle, engine & WHR system models leveraged for design and layout.



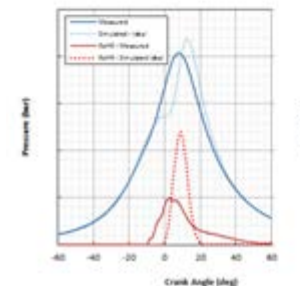
## ORNL Collaboration on Dual Fuel

- Explore dual-fuel operation within the constraints of a stock engine
  - Potential petroleum displacement in conventional modes
  - Potential  $\eta\%$  and emissions impact in low temperature combustion (LTC) modes (55% BTE scoping)
- Evaluate LTC and limitations on a multi-cylinder engine
  - Combustion stability & phasing
  - High P<sub>MAX</sub>, dP/dt & EGR
- Detroit engine modified for PFI natural gas, DI diesel
  - Fyda Energy Solutions providing Sequential PFI hardware
- Engine installation and system integration underway, dual-fuel experiments scheduled for Summer 2014
- Fundamentally targeting a more optimum ROHR at part load, within the mechanical constraints of the engine

**Detroit engine at ORNL**



**Promotional photos from Fyda Energy Solutions**





## 55% BTE Scoping Activities in 2014

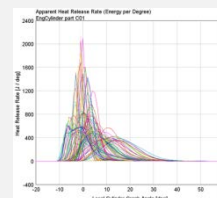
### Sub-System Testing

### Analytical

#### Combustion

Even Higher CR  
LTC & Dual fuel

Ideal HRR scoping  
In-cylinder insulation



#### WHR

Mechanical  
Feedback

Component optimization,  
Beyond exhaust recovery,  
Low temperature condensation

#### Air System

Further EGR  
reduction

High efficiency turbo,  
Low restrictions

#### E-TC



#### Friction Reduction

Liner insulation iterations,  
New oils

Oil circuit  
modifications

#### Engine Simulations

Parameterized models  
for engine design &  
configuration impact  
on part load efficiency



Preliminary analytical  
estimates for 55%  
BTE roadmap

# SuperTruck Partnerships and Collaborations



Department of Energy: → Roland Gravel → Gurpreet Singh  
→ Ken Howden → Carl Maronde

## Engine



Massachusetts  
Institute of  
Technology

**Atkinson LLC**



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## Aftertreatment

**CORNING**



**Eberspächer**



**Johnson Matthey**

## Hybrid



**MBtech**  
Mercedes-Benz technology



Mercedes-Benz

**itk**  
ENGINEERING

## Aero/Cooling



**BEHR**



## Powertrain/Parasitics



**DAIMLER**  
Daimler Trucks North America



## Fleet



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# SuperTruck Program Summary

- 50.2% engine BTE demonstrated including WHR.
- Weight neutral engine target; downsized engine with WHR.
- WHR functional on prototype A-sample SuperTruck.
- Remaining 1 year of SuperTruck.
  - Demonstrate efficacy and FE advantage of model based real time engine controls on-board the demonstrator SuperTruck vehicle.
  - Performance and controls tuning for engine & WHR ongoing for demonstrator chassis.
  - Demonstrator chassis and truck build ongoing; FE and performance demonstration to start September.
  - Sub-system level testing and analysis for 55% BTE building blocks initiated.
  - Final reporting.

