

Adaptive Injection Strategies (AIS) for Ultra-Low Emissions Diesel Engines

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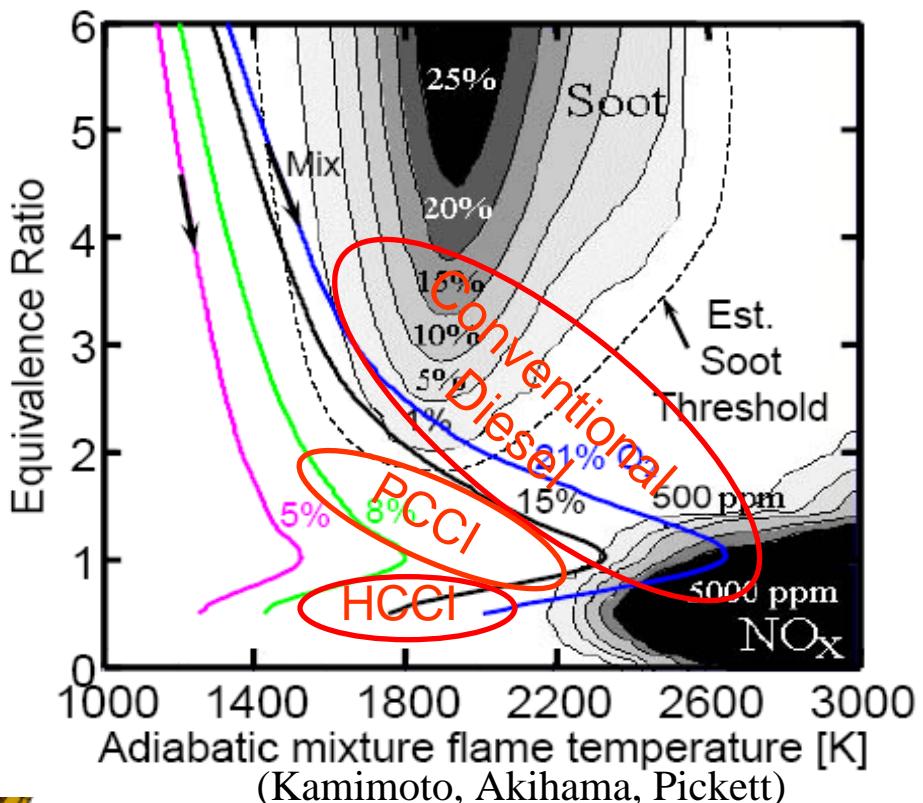
OUTLINE

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- Adaptive Injection Strategy (AIS)
- Simulation and optimization
 - Two-Stage Combustion (TSC -- HCCI + Diffusion combustion) optimization using AIS
 - Late injection event optimization
 - Early injection event optimization
- Engine experiments
 - Preliminary experimental results of TSC using AIS
- Conclusions



MOTIVATION AND BACKGROUND

- More and more stringent emission standards
- Low Temperature Combustion (LTC) – low NOx & PM
- Problems in diesel Homogeneous Charge Compression Ignition (HCCI) Combustion

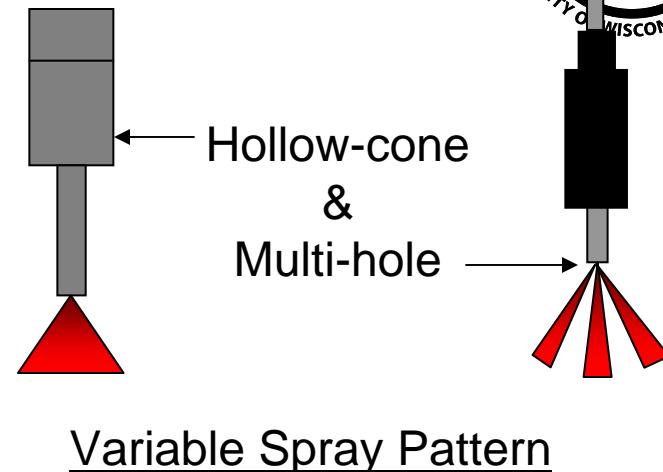
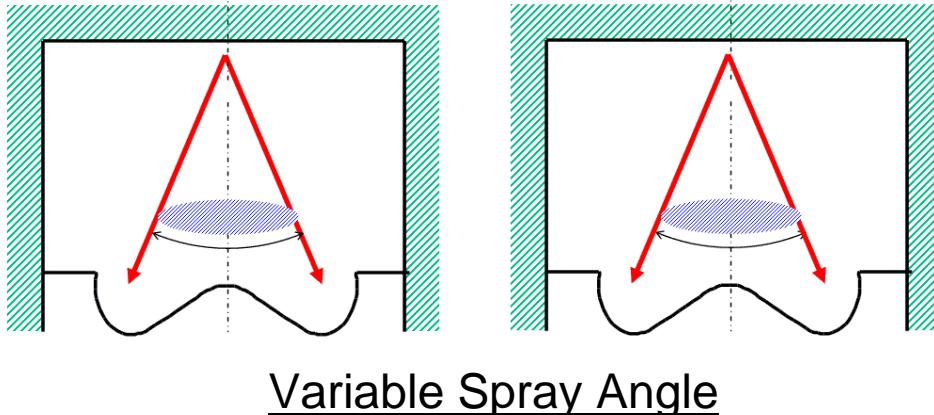


- Early ignition:
→EGR
→VVA →VCR
- Evaporation:
→intake air preheating
→SMD
- HC & CO
- Spray-wall impingement:
→Adaptive Injection Strategy (AIS)
 { Variable Geometry Spray (VGS)
 { Variable Injection Pressure (VIP)
- Extension to higher loads:
→Two-Stage Combustion (TSC)



ADAPTIVE INJECTION STRATEGY (AIS)

- Variable Geometry Spray (VGS)



- Variable Injection Pressure (VIP)

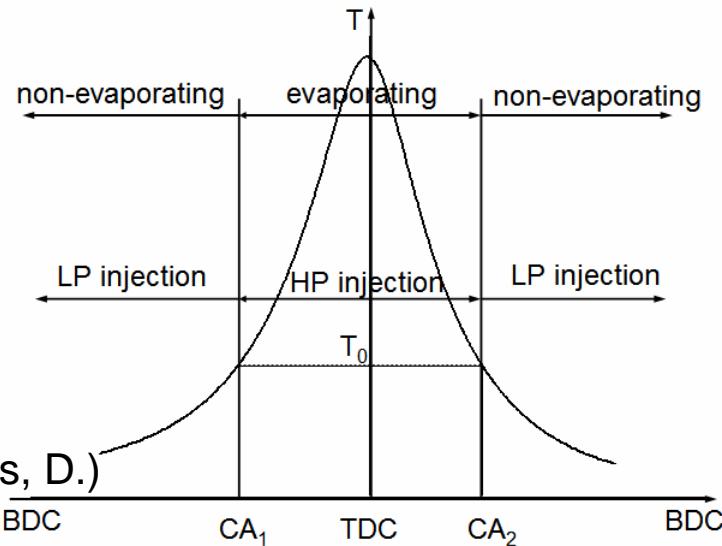
Liquid penetration of non-evaporating sprays
vapor penetration of evaporating sprays:

$$s = 2.95 \left(\frac{\Delta P}{\rho_a} \right)^{1/4} \sqrt{d_0 t} \quad (\text{Hiroyasu, H.})$$

Maximum liquid penetration of evaporating sprays:

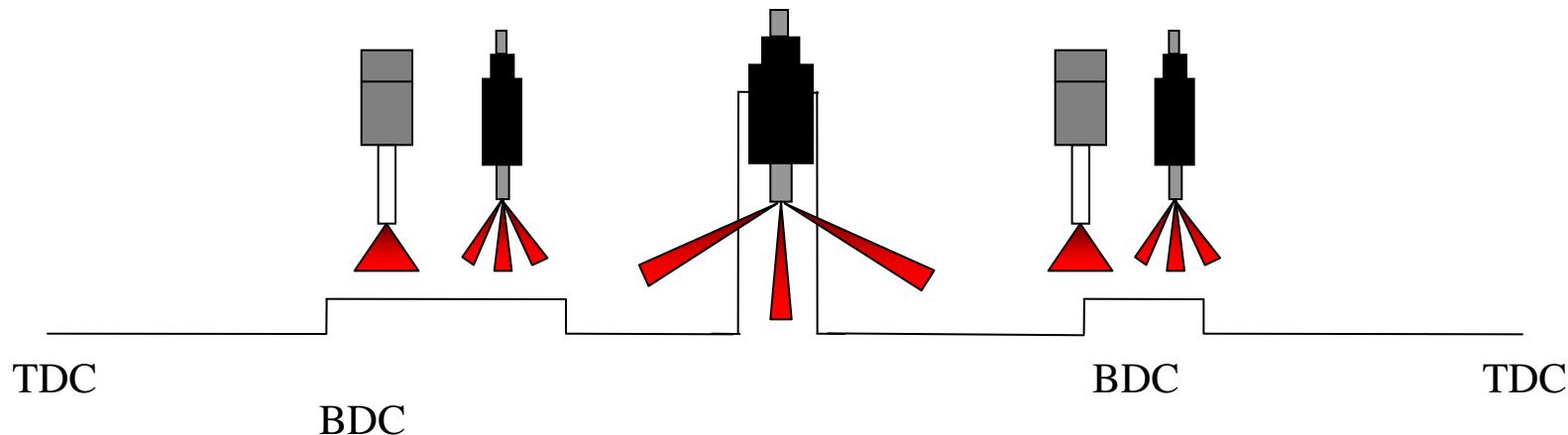


$$s = \frac{b}{a} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_f}{\rho_a}} \frac{\sqrt{Ca} \cdot d}{\tan(\theta/2)} \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{B(T_a, P_a, T_f)} + 1 \right)^2 - 1} \quad (\text{Siebers, D.})$$



AIS APPLICATION

- **Low-pressure (<50MPa, 5~25MPa) narrow-angle injection**
 - Early injection: intake or early compression stroke → HCCI, PCCI combustion
 - Post injection: late expansion or exhaust stroke → DPF, LNT regeneration
- **High-pressure (>50MPa, above 100MPa) wide-angle injection**
 - Late injection: late compression or early expansion stroke → conventional diesel, PCCI combustion



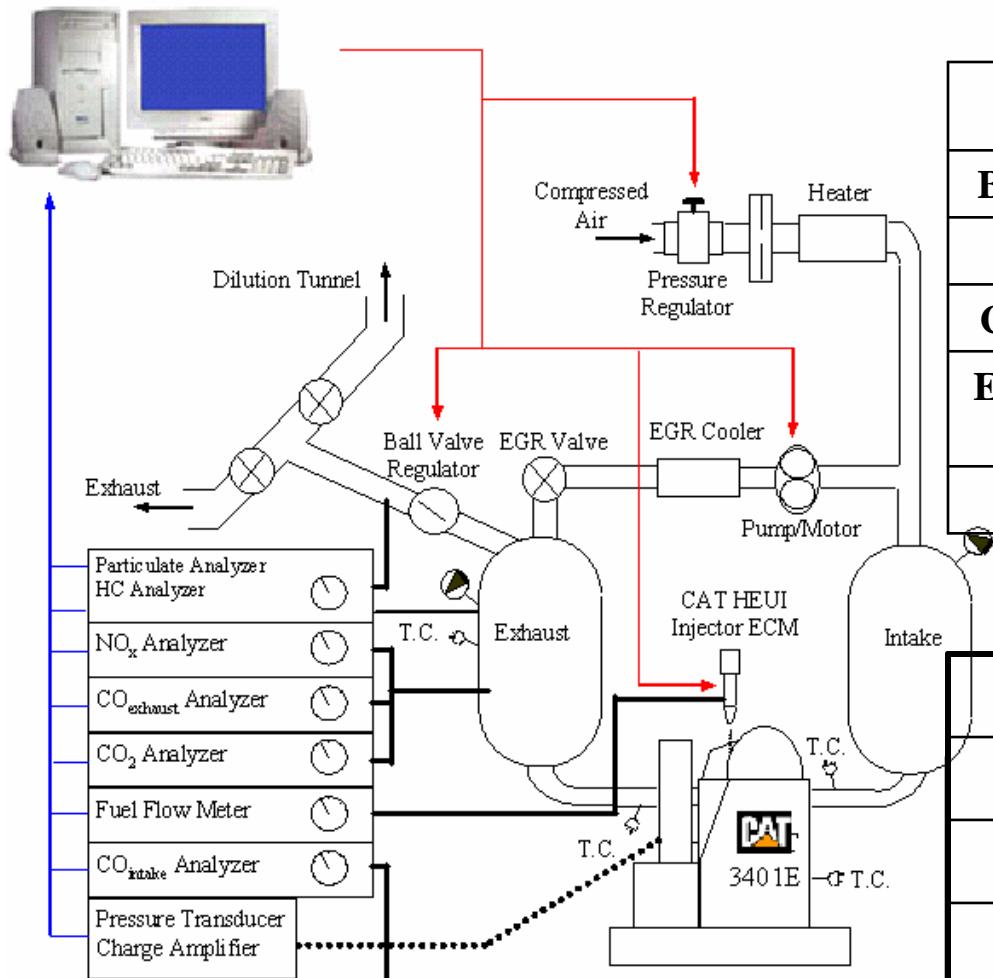
- **Low load: HCCI combustion** → early injection
- **Medium load: Two-Stage Combustion (TSC)** → early + late injections
 - Sun, Y., SAE 2006-01-0027
- **High load: conventional diesel combustion** → late injection

(US Patent filed)





ENGINE SPECIFICATIONS

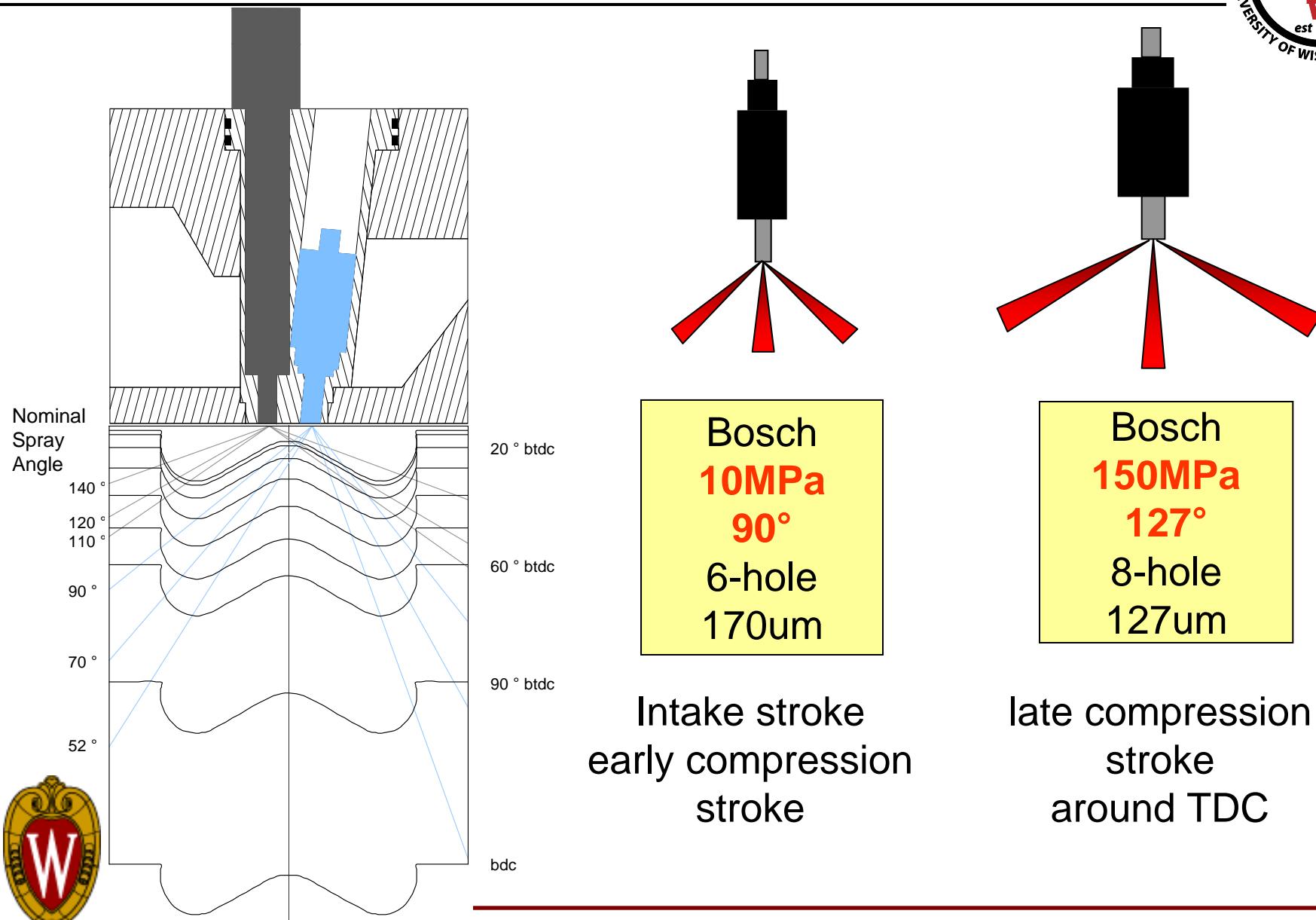


Engine Type	Caterpillar 3401 SCOTE
Bore× Stroke [mm]	137.2 × 165.1
Displacement [L]	2.44
Compression Ratio	16.1:1
Engine valve timing (°CA ATDC)	IVC=-143, EVO=130 EVC=-355, IVO=335
Swirl Ratio	1.0

Mode	5
Speed [RPM]	1737
Load (%)	57
IVC (°CA ATDC)	-85



AIS SIMULATION USING TWO INJECTORS



NUMERICAL ANALYSIS



- KIVA3V R2 (ERC sub-models) -CHEMKIN-GA code
- RNG k- ϵ turbulence model
- KH-RT break up model -- high-pressure MHN spray
- Recalibrated KH model -- low-pressure MHN spray
- Droplet vaporization, collision and wall-film models
- ERC's reduced n-heptane mechanism (30 species and 65 reactions)
- Reduced NO mechanism, two-step phenomenological soot model
- Genetic Algorithms (GA) -- merit function

$$f = \frac{B}{\left(\frac{NOx}{NOx^*} \right)^a + \left(\frac{HC}{HC^*} \right)^b + \left(\frac{PM}{PM^*} \right)^c + \left(\frac{BSFC}{BSFC^*} \right)^d}$$

-- Emission targets are *2010 EPA heavy-duty highway diesel engine emission standards*.



PM: 0.0134 g/kW-hr

HC: 0.1876 g/kW-hr

NOx: 0.2681 g/kW-hr

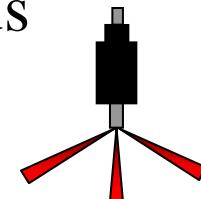
BSFC: 200 g/kW-hr

-- Penalty functions based on the physical constraints of the engine



LATE INJECTION EVENT OPTIMIZATION

- Genetic Algorithm (GA) was used to optimize four engine operating parameters at mode 5 (homogeneous assumption for the early injection)
- Range of parameters explored



Parameter	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
IVC (°CA)	-143	-83
SOLI (°CA)	-10	21
Premixed fraction (-)	0.2	0.9
EGR ratio (%)	0	60

- Merit function

$$f = \frac{100}{\left(\frac{NOx}{NOx^*} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{HC}{HC^*} \right) + \left(\frac{PM}{PM^*} \right) + \left(\frac{BSFC}{BSFC^*} \right)^{10}}$$



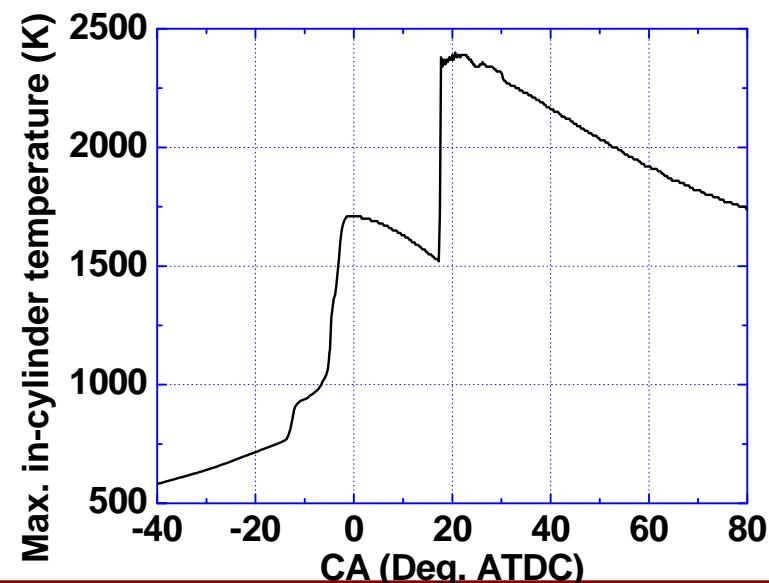
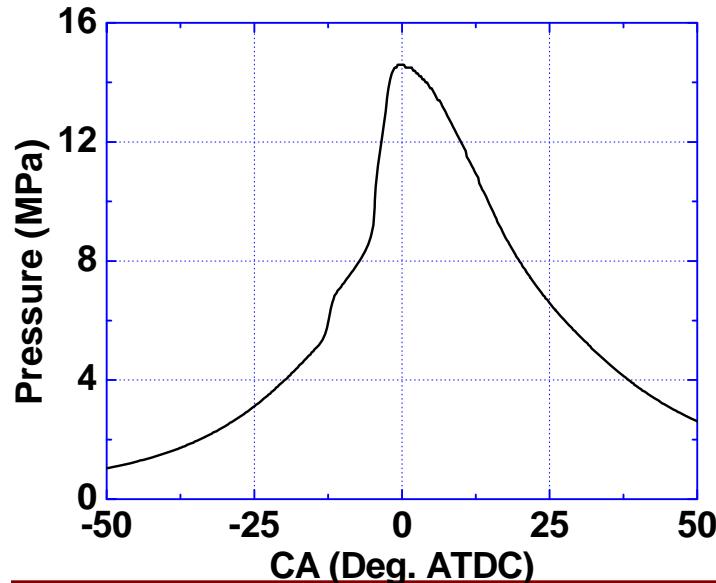
HCCI + LATE INJECTION OPTIMUM

Best case after 100 generations

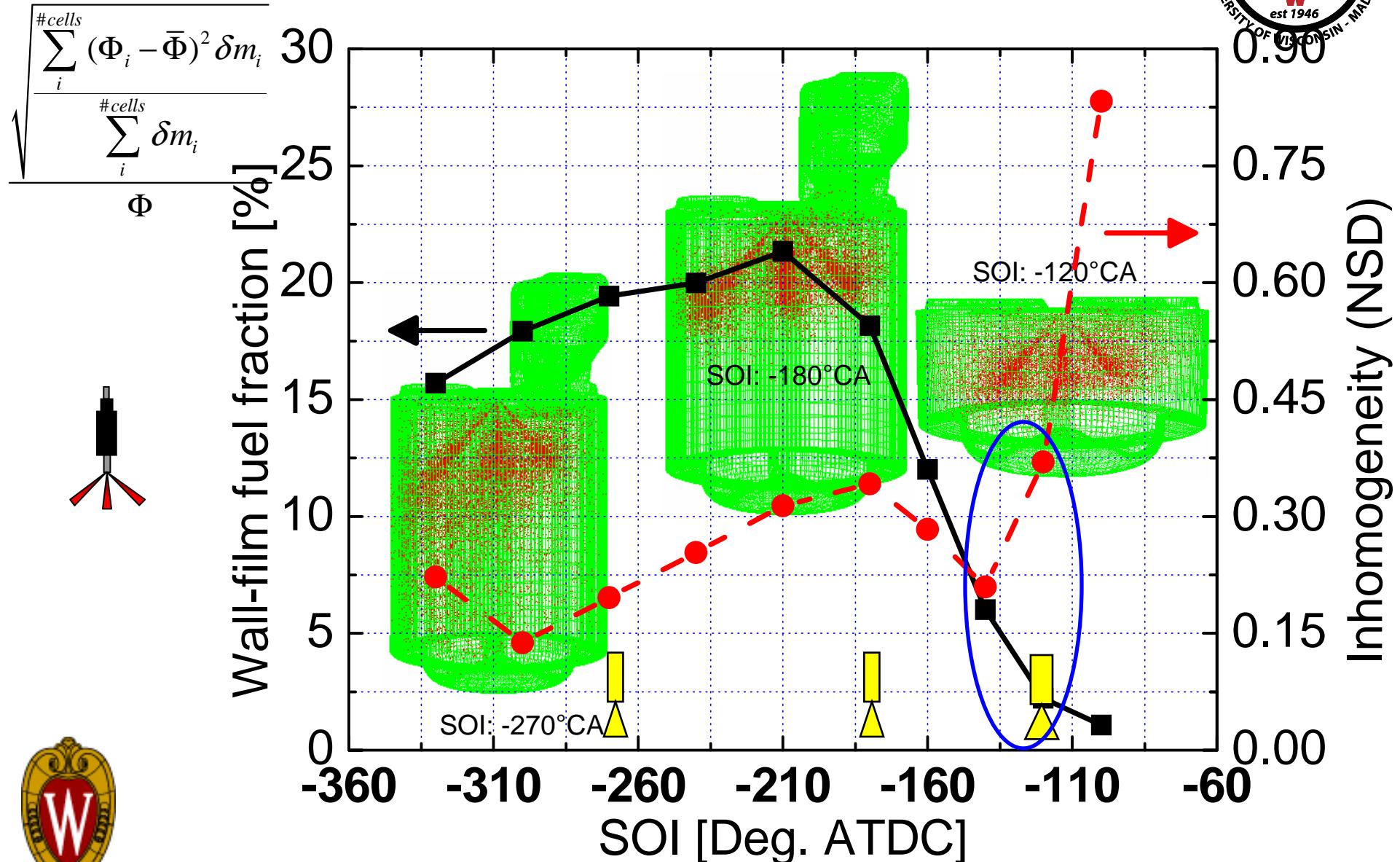
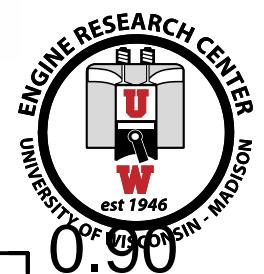
IVC (°CA)	SOLI (°CA)	EGR (%)	Premixed fraction
-95	17	28	0.7

Results of the best case so far

(g/kW-hr)	BSFC	Soot	NOx	HC	CO
Optimum	211.4	0.017	0.174	0.014	0.123
Target	200	0.0134	0.2681	0.1876	



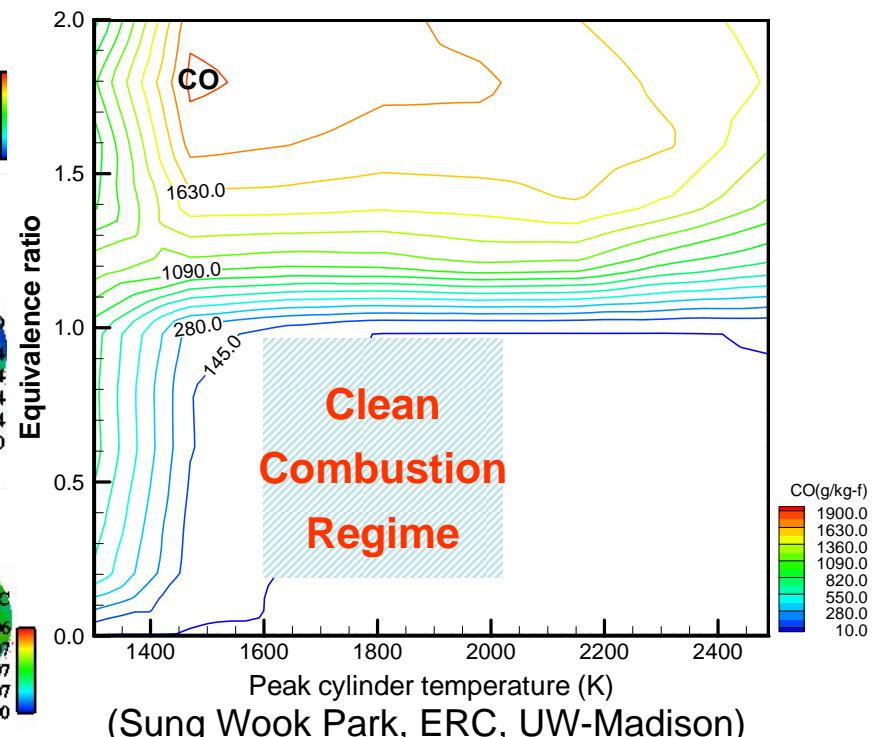
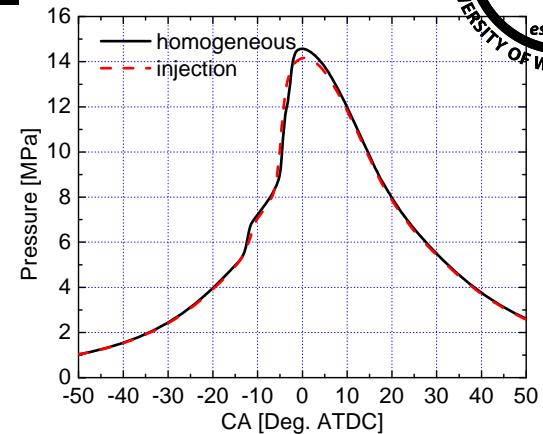
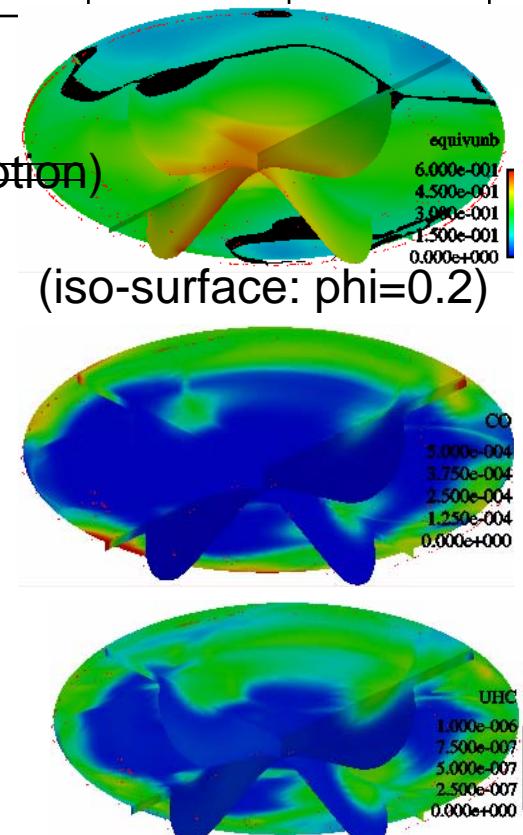
EARLY INJECTION OPTIMIZATION



TSC USING AIS



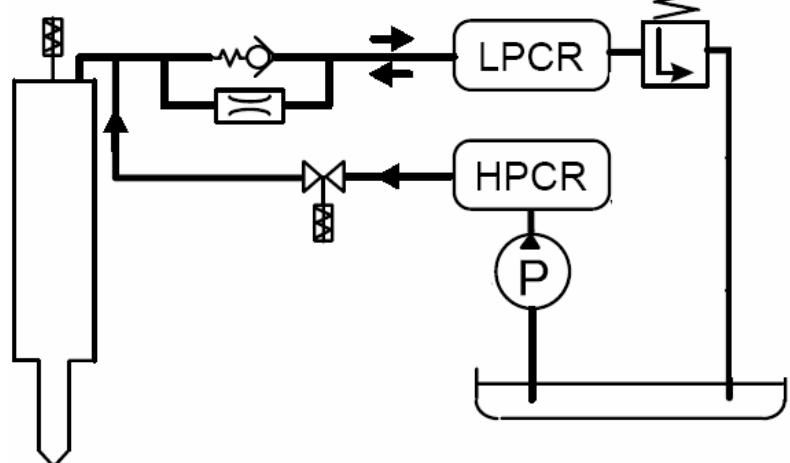
(g/kW-hr)	Soot	NOx	HC	CO
Injection	0.033	0.181	2.040	12.889
Homogeneous	0.017	0.174	0.014	0.123
Target	0.0134	0.2681	0.1876	



TSC & AIS USING ONE INJECTOR

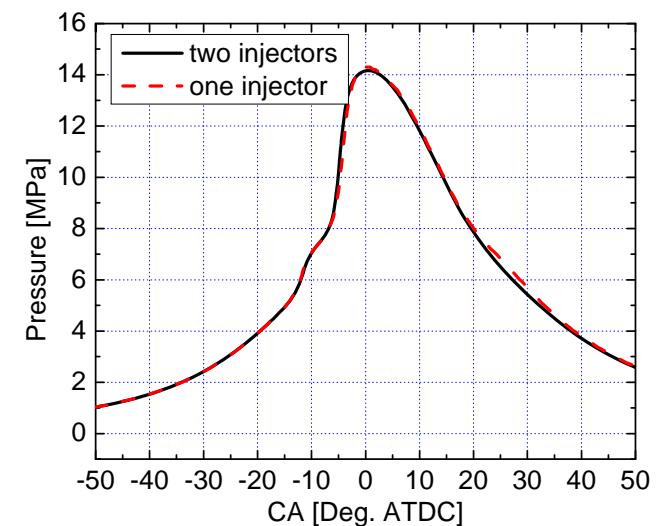
- Wide angle (130°) w/ VIP
 - Incompatibility w/ HCCI operation
 - Later SOI, larger fueling rate

Included angle: $90^\circ \rightarrow 130^\circ$
 SOEL: $-120^\circ\text{CA} \rightarrow -100^\circ\text{CA}$
 Injector: 6-hole \rightarrow 8-hole

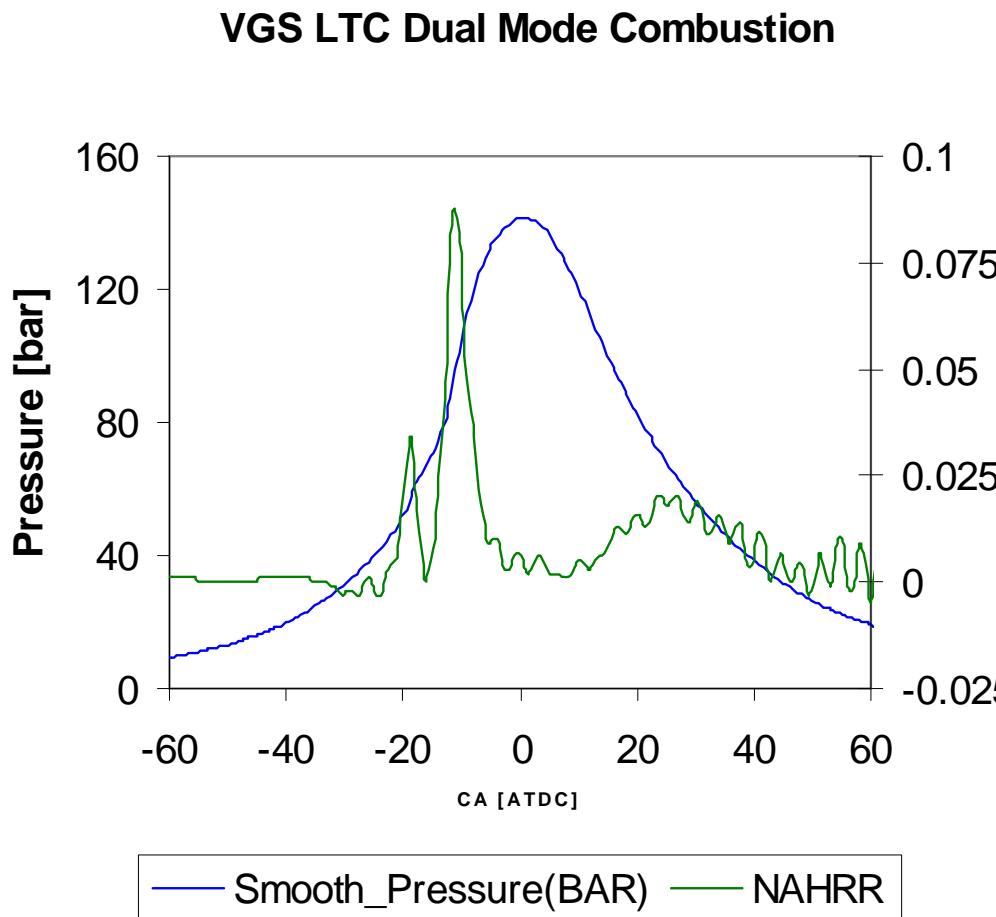


(Tanabe, K., SAE 2005-01-007)

(g/kW-hr)	Soot	NOx	HC	CO
two injectors	0.033	0.181	2.040	12.889
one injector	0.030	0.229	3.376	9.895
Target	0.0134	0.2681	0.1876	



Preliminary TSC Experimental Results



Experimental Conditions

First injection:

100 deg. BTDC

70% of fuel

Injection pressure 10MPa.

Second injection:

17 deg. ATDC

30% of fuel,

Injection pressure 130MPa

EGR (%)	21.83
BSFC (g/kW-hr)	245.2833
NOx (g/kW-hr)	0.5667
HC (g/kW-hr)	6.1953
NOx + HC (g/kWhr)	6.7621
PM (g/kW-hr)	0.1426
CO (g/kw-hr)	13.899





CONCLUSIONS

- Use of Adaptive Injection Strategies (AIS) is an effective way to minimize diesel spray-wall wetting and to enable advanced combustion strategies.
- Low-pressure injection is superior to conventional high-pressure injection for HCCI charge preparation.
- A low-pressure early injection, followed by a high-pressure late injection provides Two-Stage Combustion (TSC) that shows great potential to achieve low engine-out emissions (2010 levels) and fuel consumption at medium engine load when engine operating parameters are optimized.
- One injector with VIP and a fixed spray included angle can be used for practical implementation of the TSC concept - (patent applied for).
- Further work is in progress to explore AIS/TSC concepts at other speed/load conditions, and for different engine displacements.





Thank you for your attention !

Questions or Comments





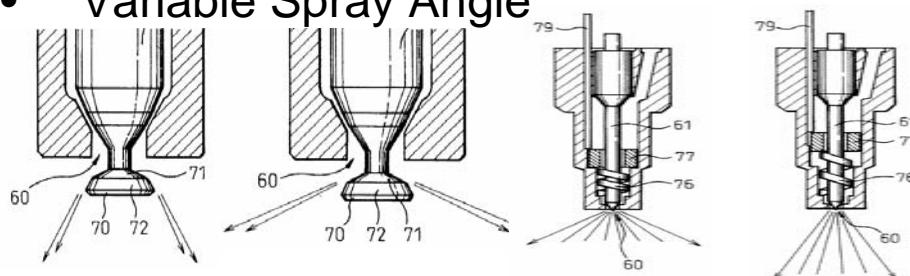
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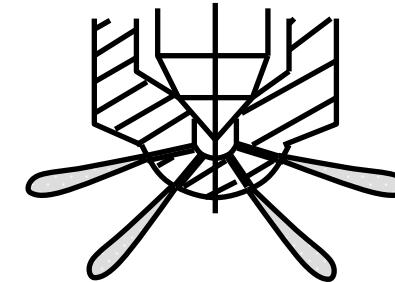
AIS IMPLEMENTATION

- **Variable Geometry Spray (VGS)**

- Variable Spray Angle



Hollow-cone spray (Kawaguchi, A.)



Multi-hole Nozzle (MHN) spray

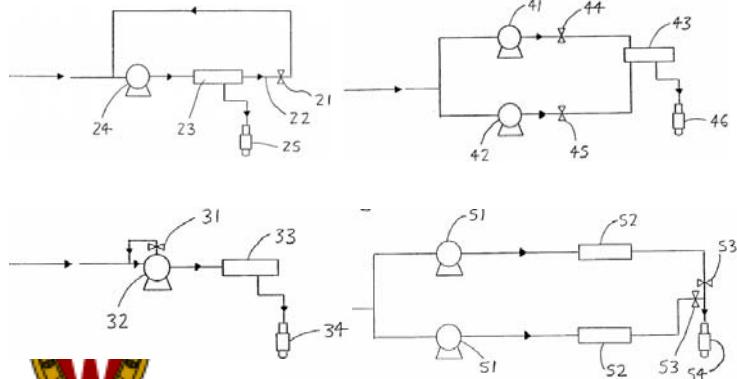
- Variable Spray Pattern

– Caterpillar Inc., mixed mode injector (DEER 2004)

-- Hou et al., SAE 2007-01-0249, Micro-Variable Circular Orifice (MVCO) injector

- **Variable Injection Pressure (VIP)**

- Reitz et al., US Patent: 6,526,939 B2



- Tanabe, K., SAE 2005-01-007

