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# Fuel Efficiency and Emissions Optimization of Heavy-Duty Diesel Engines using Model-Based Transient Calibration

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- **Summary**

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# Background – Industry Trends

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- Ever Decreasing Emissions Levels
  - Increasing Demands for Fuel Efficiency
  - Rapidly Increasing Complexity of Engine Control
  - Close Integration of Aftertreatment Systems
  - New Combustion Regimes under Investigation
  - Emissions Regulations – FTP, In-Use, NTE
  - HD OBD Requirements
- ⇒ All Of These Lead To A **Significantly Increased** Calibration and Optimization Burden.



# Diesel Engine Control Complexity

<u>Year</u>	<u>Engine Technologies</u>	<u>Number of Calibrateable Control Parameters</u>
1998	Injection Timing Injection Pressure Smoke Control	3
2004	EGR VGT	4 - 5
2007	DPF Regeneration	6 - 7
2010+	Injection Timing (multiple) Injection Pressure or Rate Shaping EGR Full Air Path Management Active Aftertreatment Control	11 - 15+

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# Full Factorial Calibration Space

Year	Engine Control Parameters	Number of Discrete Test Setpoints
1998	Speed, Load, Injection Timing & Pressure	10,000
2002	Speed, Load, Injection Timing & Pressure, EGR	100,000
2004	Speed, Load, Injection Timing & Pressure, EGR, Turbocharger Control	1,000,000
2007	Speed, Load, Injection Timing, Injection Pressure, EGR, Turbocharger Control, Particulate Filter Regeneration	10,000,000
2010	Speed, Load, Multiple Injection Timing, Injection Pressure, EGR, Turbocharger Control, Aftertreatment Controls	10,000,000,000

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# The Challenge for Calibration

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- **The Curse of Dimensionality** – a 2007 specification diesel engine has  $10^7$  test points if tested in a full factorial experiment
- **Calibration requirements will increase by 2-3 orders of magnitude by 2010-2014** due to new engine technologies
- **Design of Experiments can reduce the overall engine steady-state mapping burden significantly (perhaps by a factor of 100), but this still results in huge experimental matrices**
- **Most importantly, steady state engine mapping not well suited to TRANSIENT emissions regulations, fuel consumption reduction, performance and aftertreatment regeneration.**



# Motivation – The Engine Development Dilemma

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- How can engine calibration be performed quicker, better and cheaper?
- How do we improve real-world fuel efficiency while maintaining very low regulated exhaust emissions?
- How do we maximize the brake thermal efficiency of any given engine and aftertreatment hardware set?
- How can we further increase fuel efficiency through smart calibration and control?
- How can we do all of this without further overloading transient engine test facilities and without incurring significant extra expense?



# Solution – Model-Based Calibration

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## The Problem:

How can engine calibration be performed quicker, better and cheaper?

## The Solution:

Transfer the majority of the calibration effort out of the transient test cell and onto the engineer's desktop, using a systematic **MODEL-BASED Rapid Transient Calibration** approach.

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# The Model-Based Calibration Process

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- **Design of Transient Experiments**
  - Transient cycles
  - Control and calibration perturbations
- **Data Collection**
- **Dynamic Engine Modeling**
  - Real-time transient engine performance, emissions and operating states – with full inertial, thermal, EGR and air path dynamics included
- **Optimization**
  - Off-line optimization of engine calibration
  - Multiple simulations with varying optimization weights
- **Verification and Validation of Calibration Data Sets**

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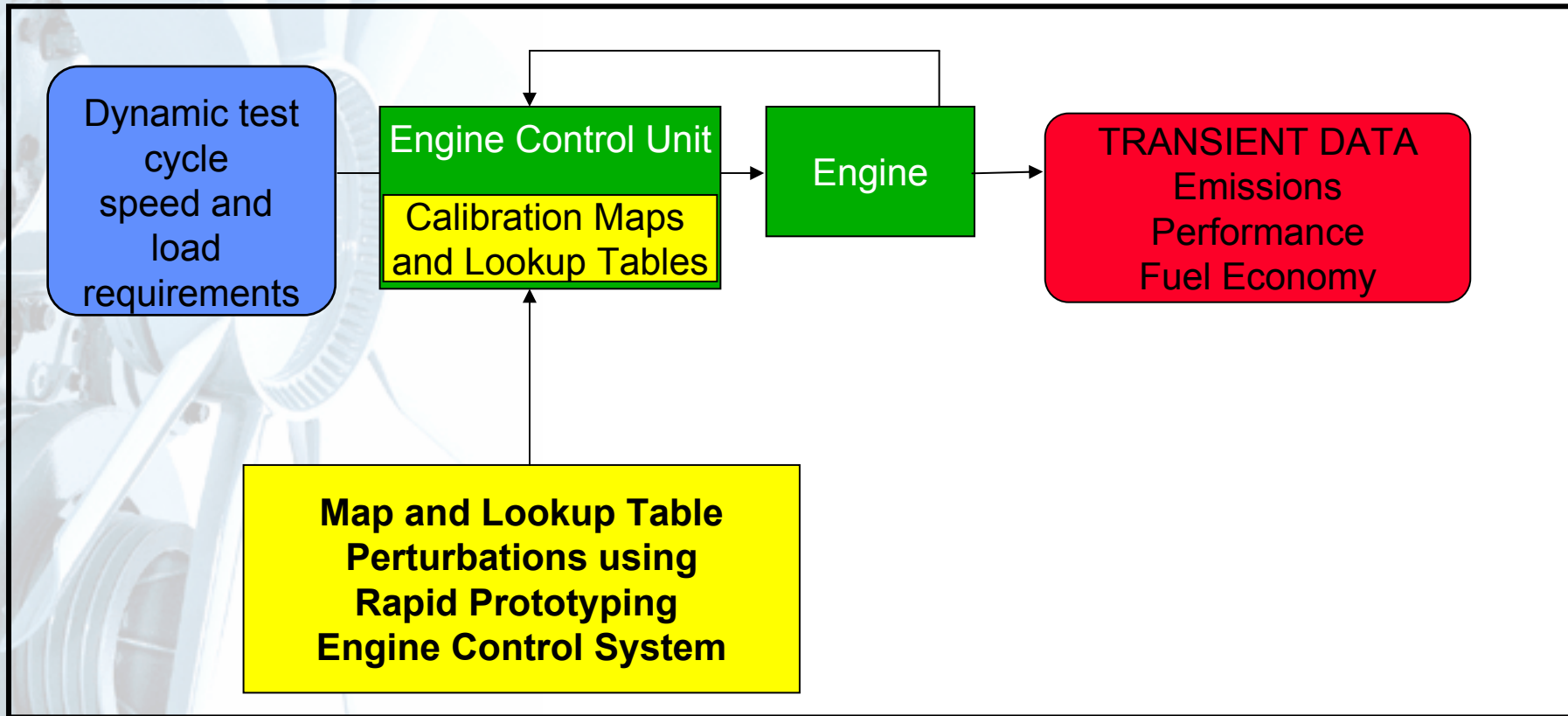
# First Application of this Technology

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- Utilized a 2007-specification DDC Series 60 engine with EGR, VGT and DPF.
- **15 custom transient cycles developed and implemented (~10 dynamometer days).**
- Dynamic engine models developed off-line.
- Calibration optimization performed off-line.
- Simulated engine performance performed off-line.
- **Re-visited transient engine test cell for validation and verification (~10 dynamometer days).**



# Data Collection

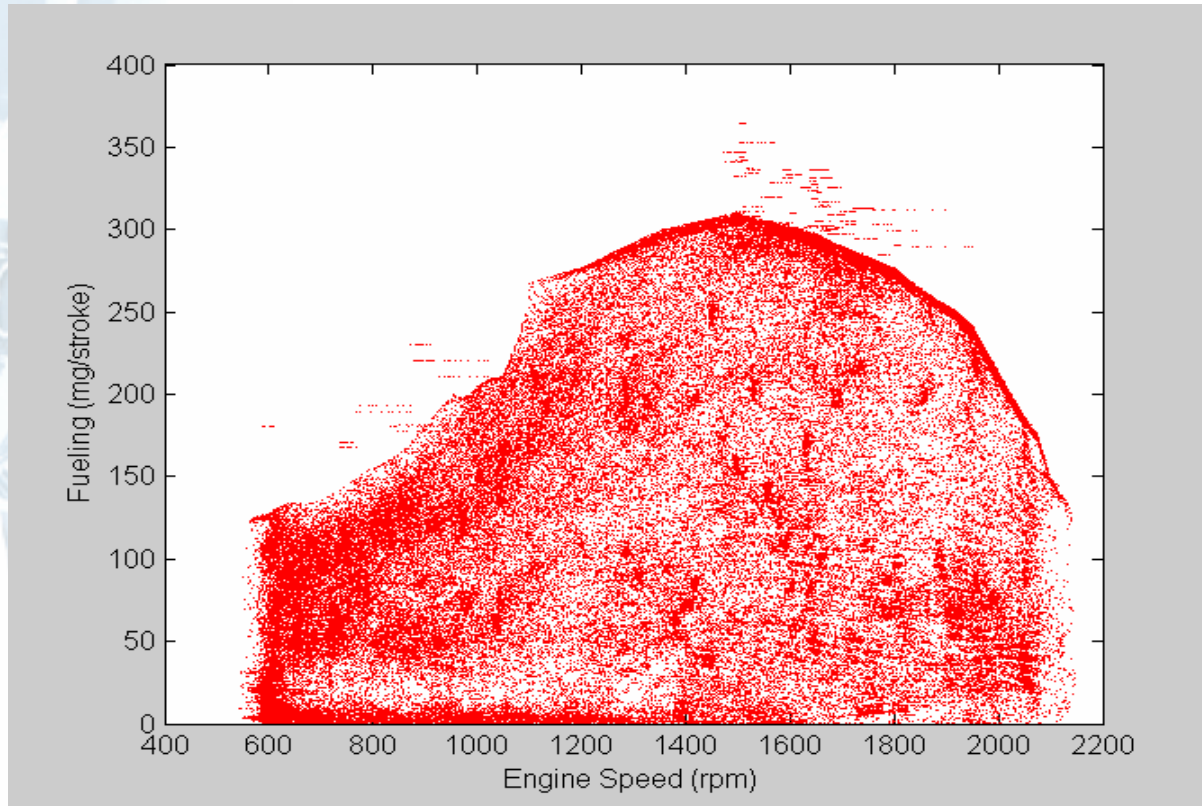


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# Transient Engine Data Coverage

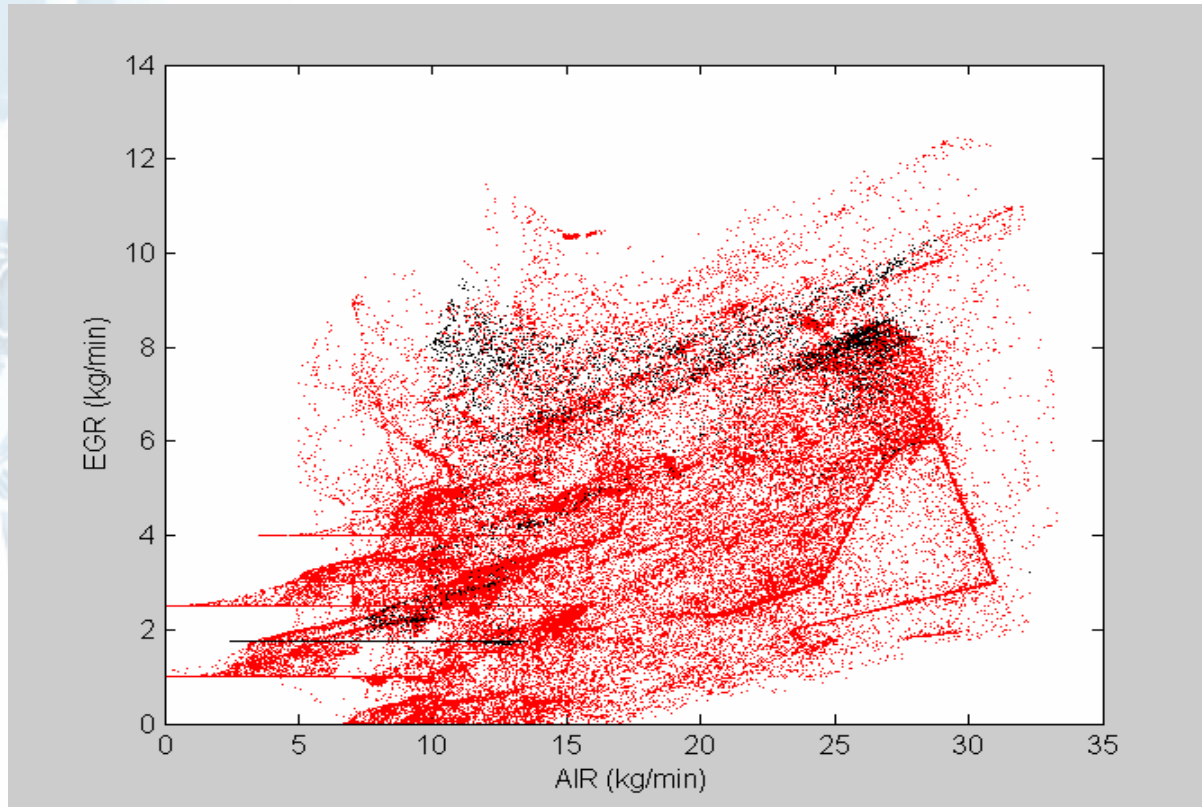


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# Air-EGR Perturbations (all cycles)

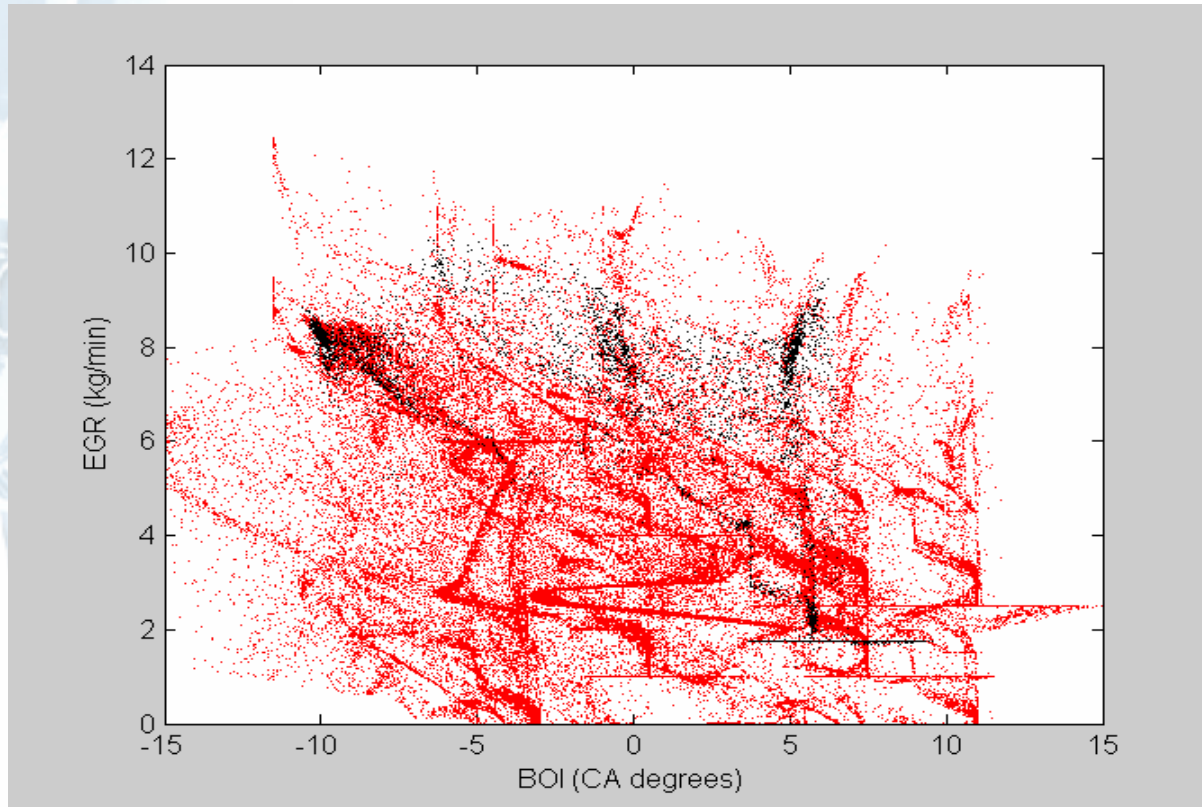


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# EGR-Injection Timing Perturbations

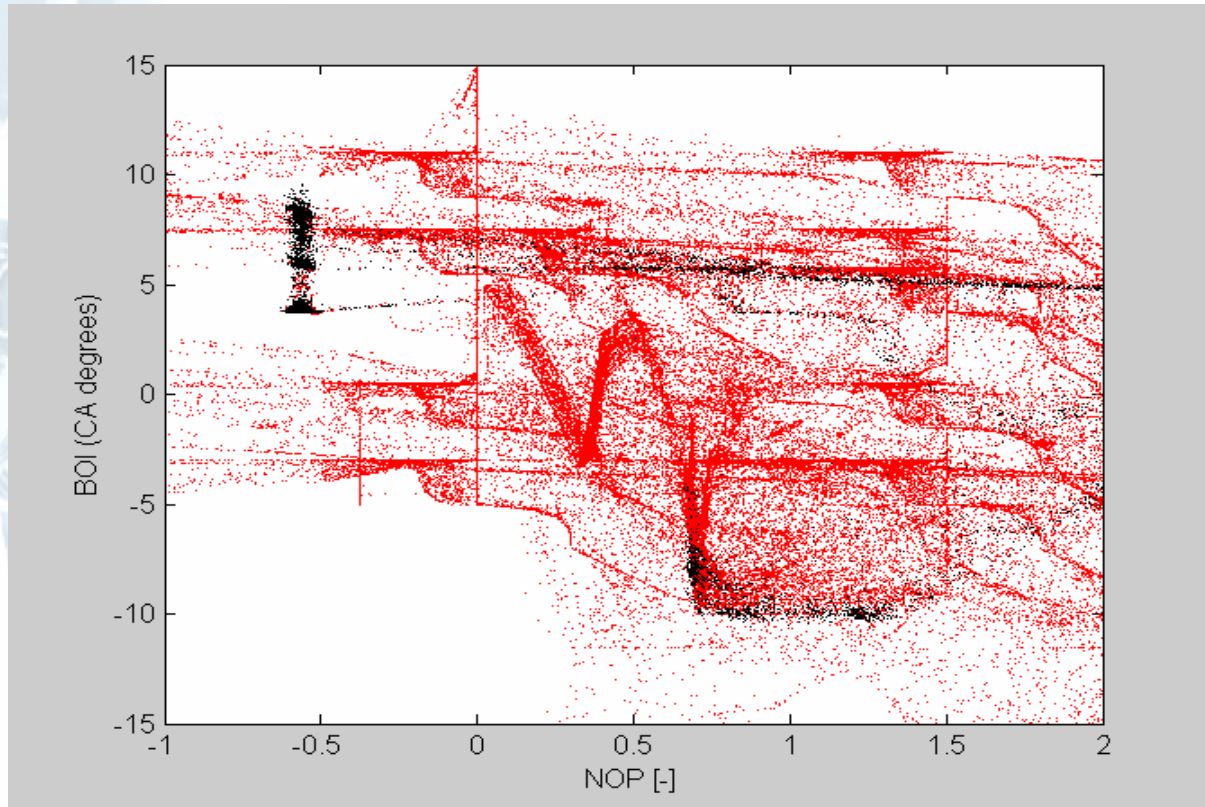


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# Injection Pressure-Timing Perturbations



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# Dynamic Engine Modeling Approach

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Dynamic (transient) models use a combination of

- Physical Modeling

- » First principles
- » Equation-based
- » Phenomenological

- Heuristic Modeling

- » Data-driven
- » Learning
- » Data from actual engine operation (real time emissions, performance, fuel consumption and operating states).

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# Diesel Engine Modeling

## DDC S60 Diesel Engine Model

### INPUTS

Engine Speed  
Fuel Quantity

Injection Timing  
Injection Pressure

Exhaust Gas Recirculation  
Variable Geometry Turbocharger Setting

Equation-Based  
and  
Data-Driven  
Engine Model

### OUTPUTS

Torque  
Emissions

- HC
- CO
- NOx
- CO2
- PM

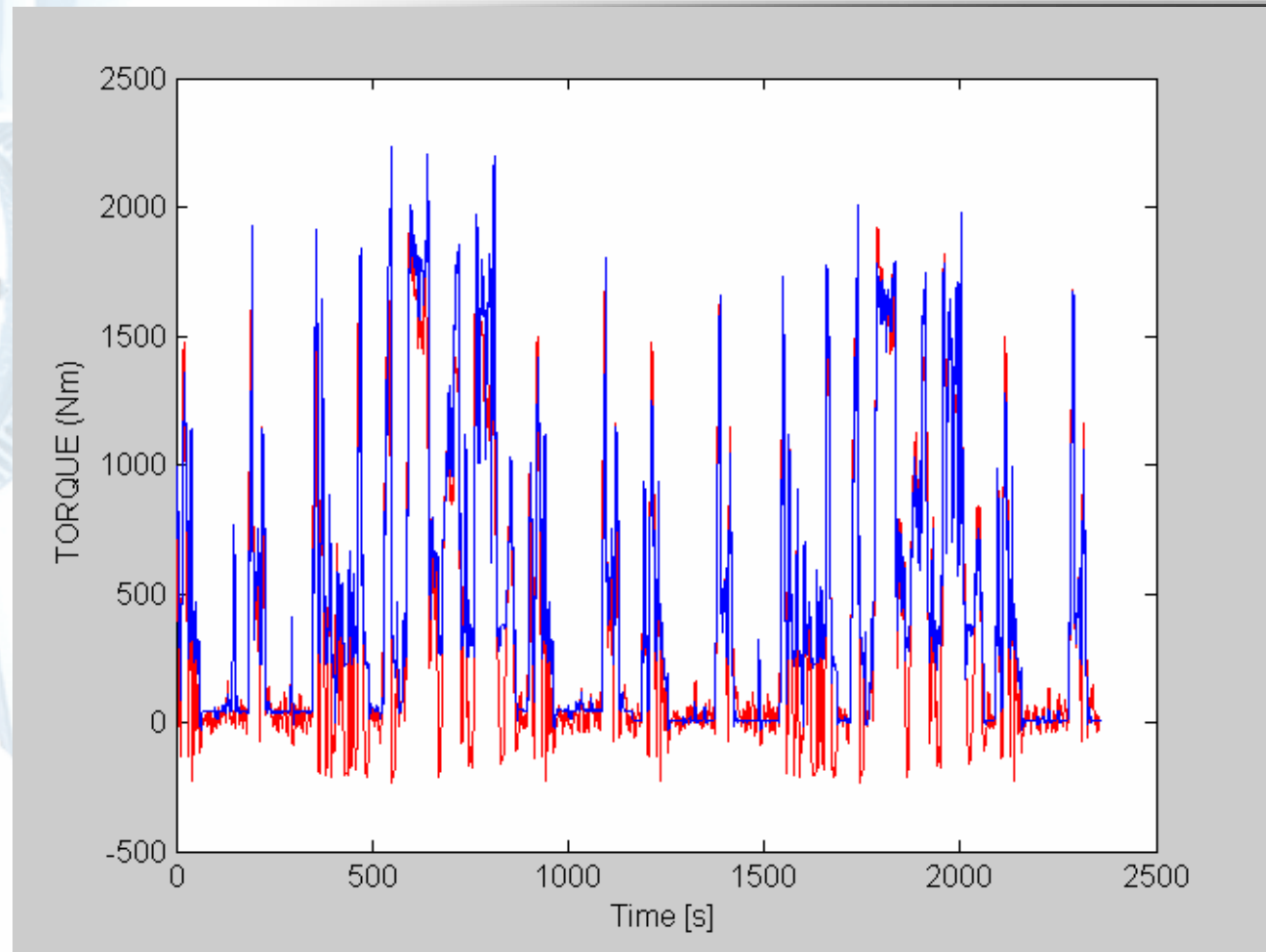
Exhaust Temperature  
Exhaust Backpressure  
Turbo Speed  
Combustion Pressure

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# Transient Engine Modeling Results - Torque

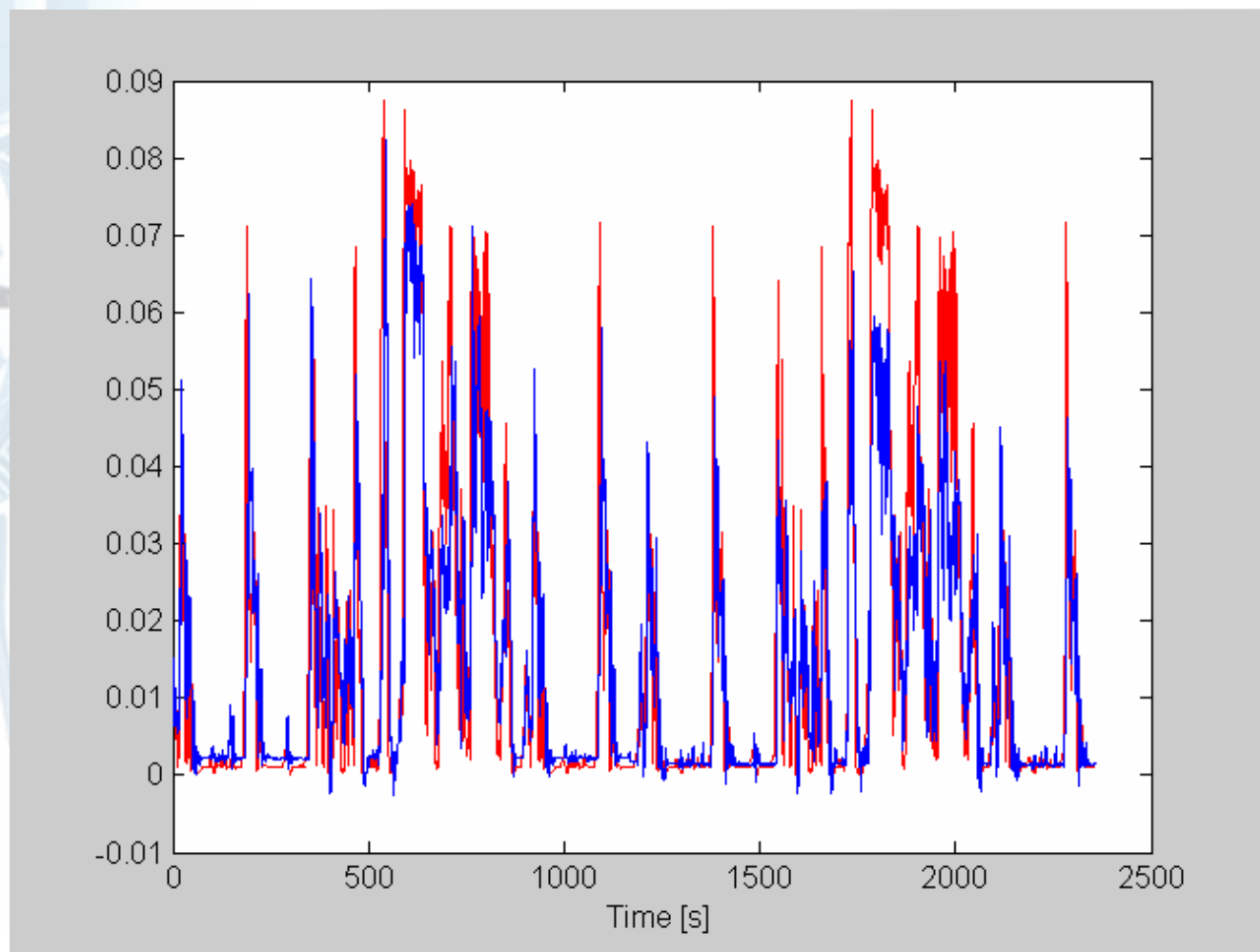


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# Transient Engine Modeling Results - NOx

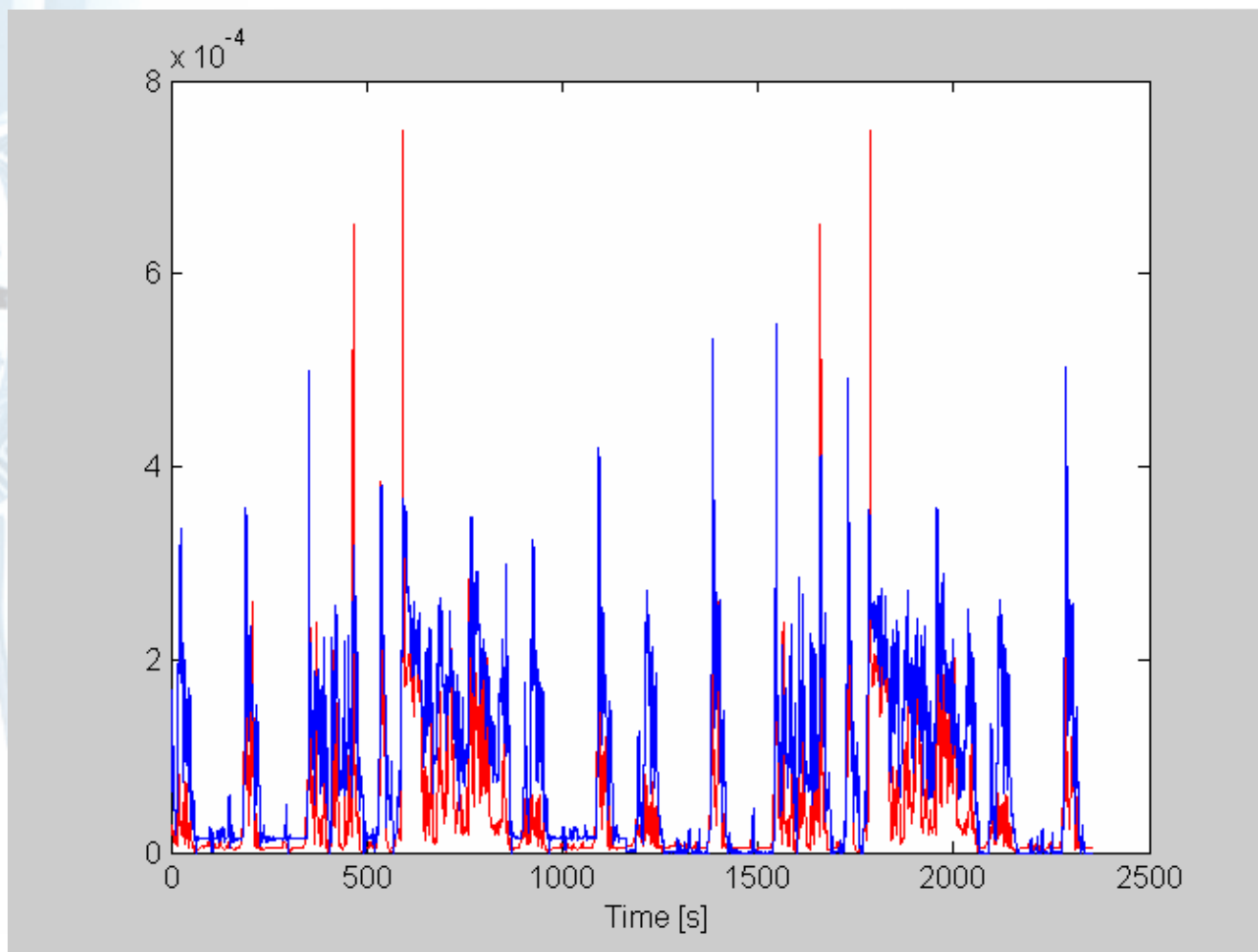


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# Transient Engine Modeling Results - PM

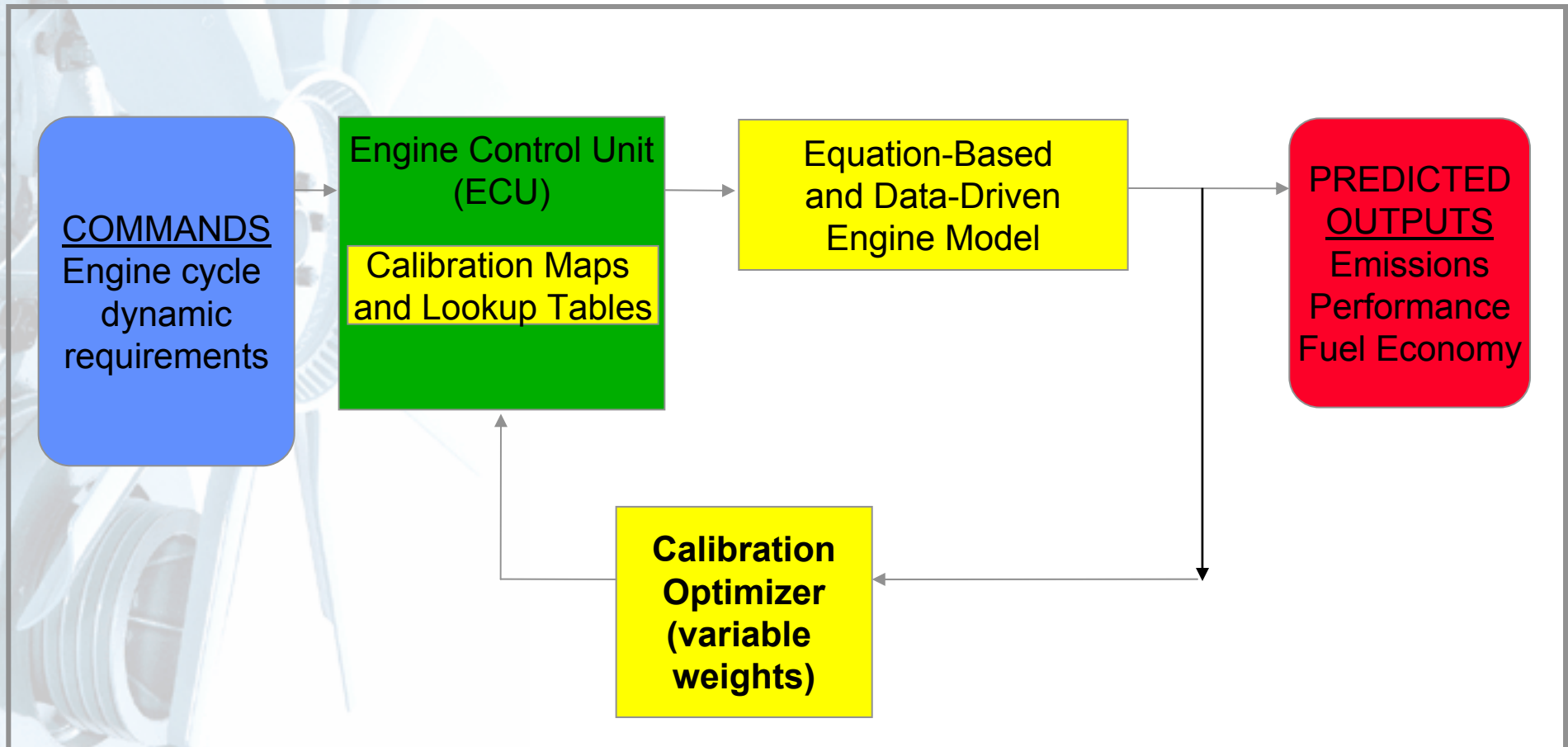


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# Rapid Transient Calibration Optimization



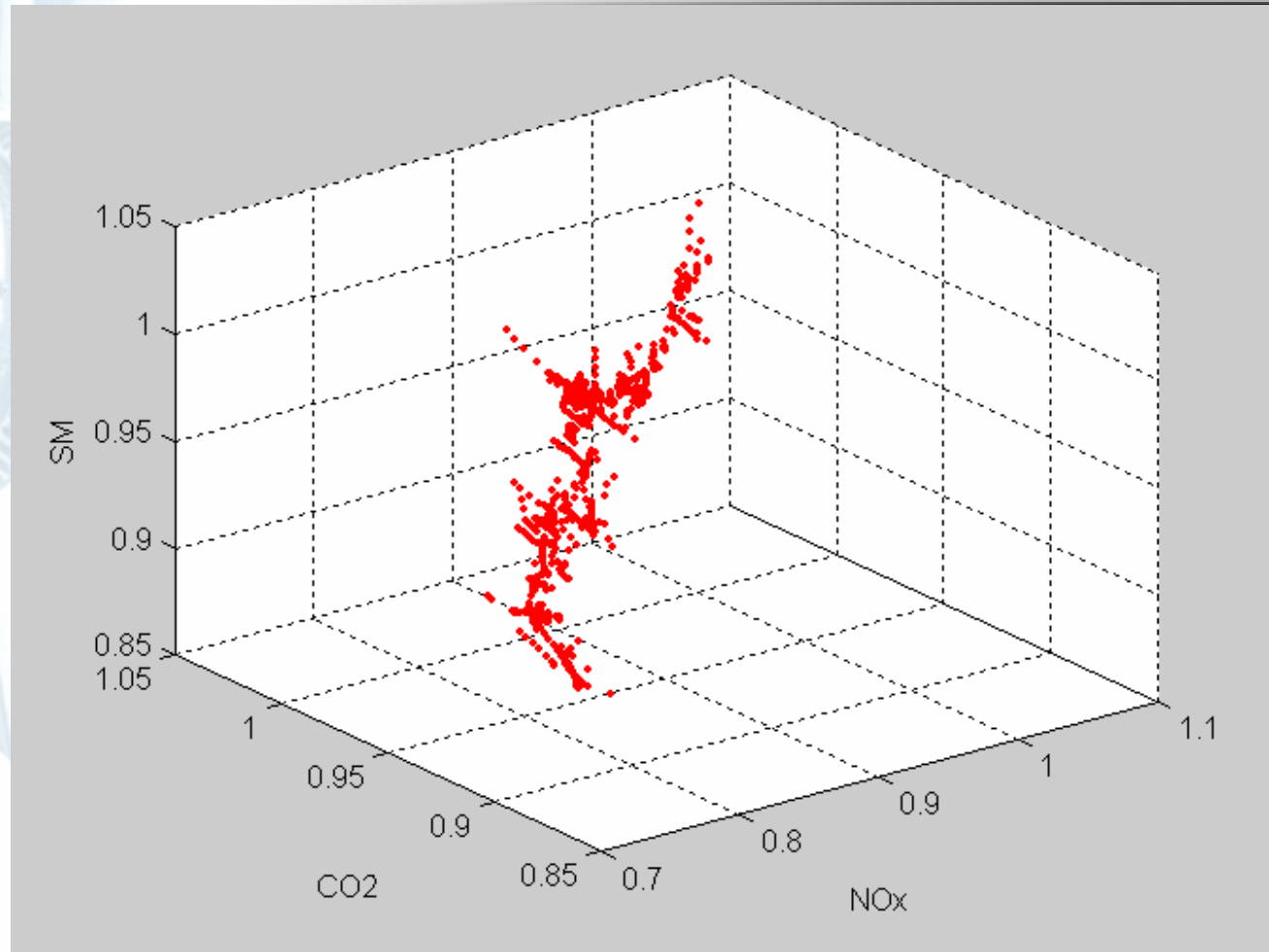
# Calibration Optimization Functions

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- Cost function – **minimize** fuel consumption,
- Subject to the **constraint** of meeting NOx and PM emissions integrated across a transient cycle,
- While **not exceeding** certain engine operating state parameter levels, such as turbocharger speed, peak cylinder pressure, exhaust temperature and peak injection pressure,
- While also **meeting** NTE and steady-state exhaust emissions levels.



# Typical Calibration Optimization Progress – cell by cell



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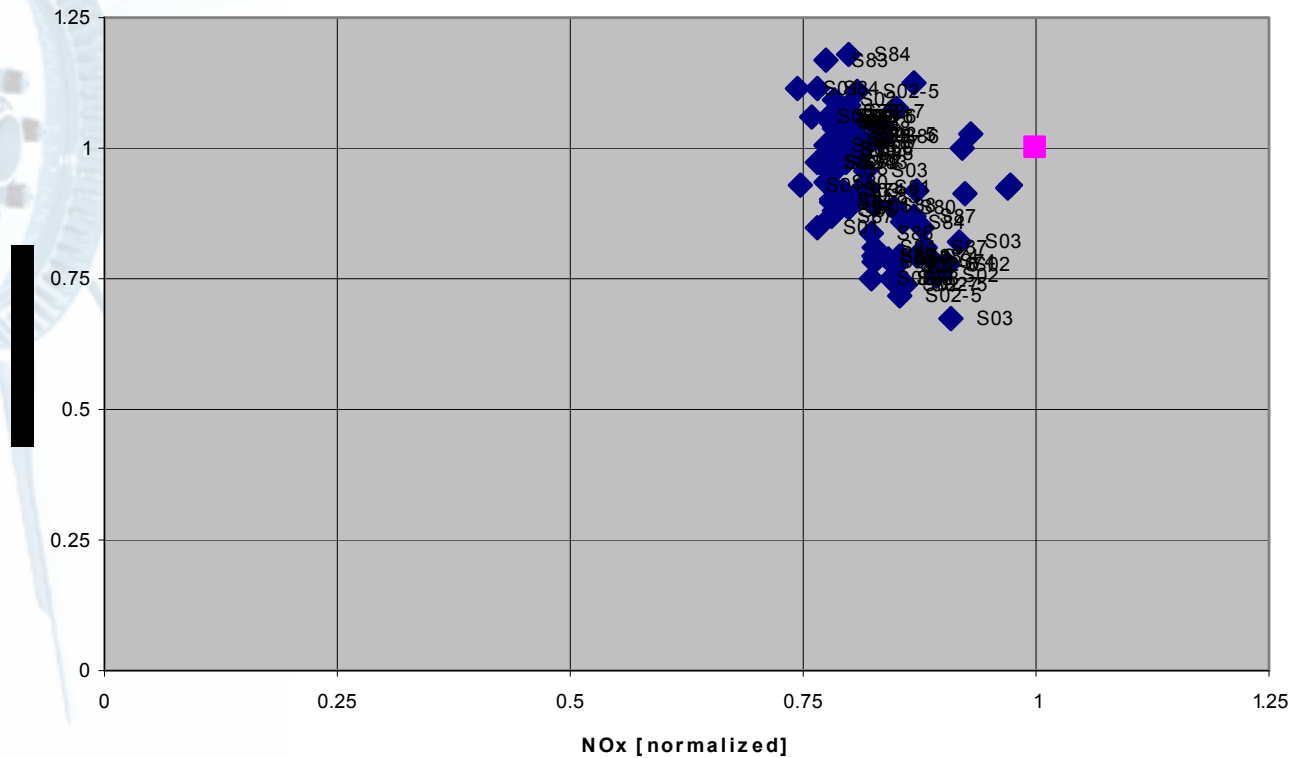
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# Simulated Emissions Results – I

(~100 FTPs with different calibration optimization weights)

CALIBRATION SIMULATION RESULTS



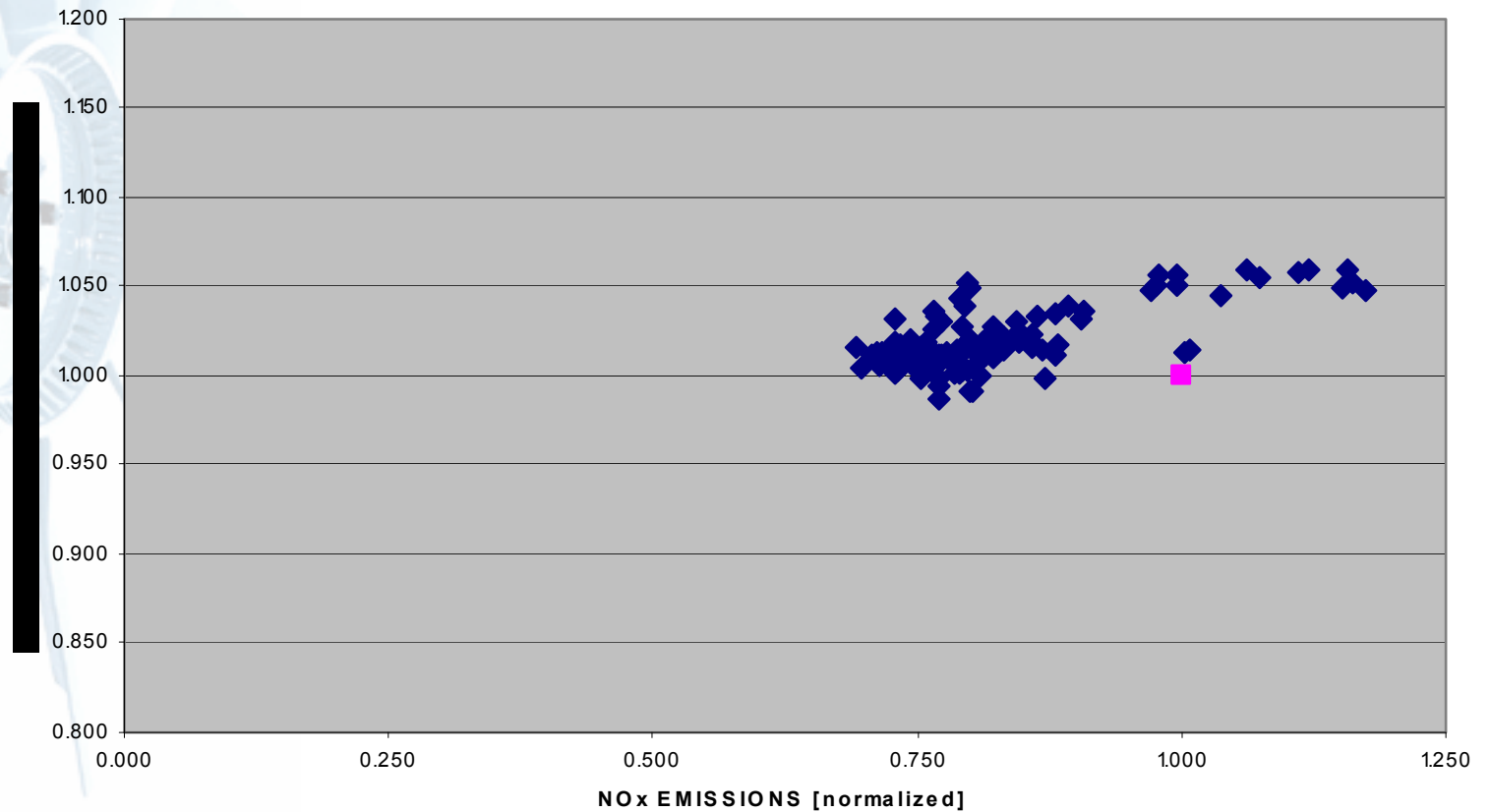
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# Simulated Emissions Results – II

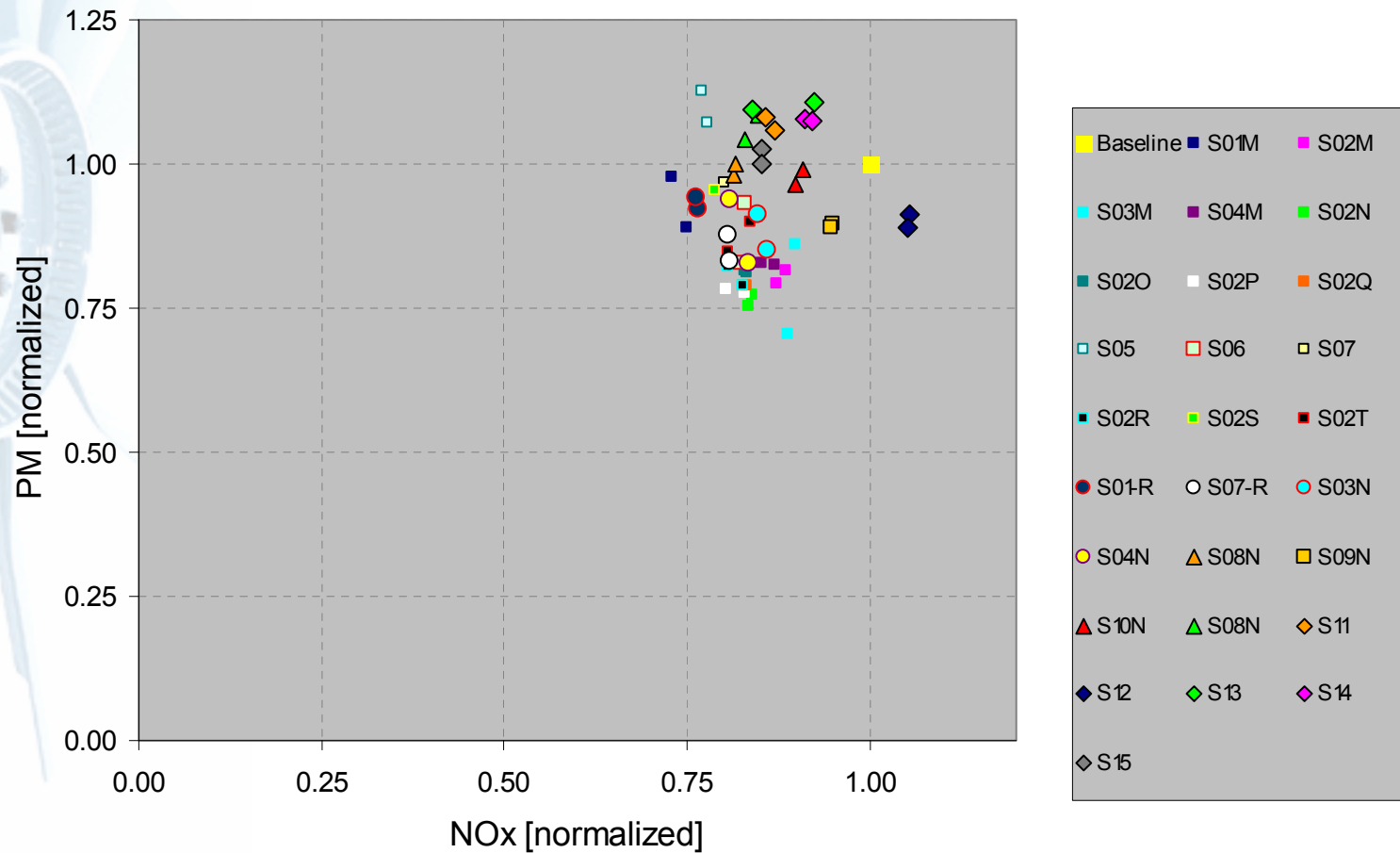


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# Validation and Verification – Actual FTP Emissions Results - I

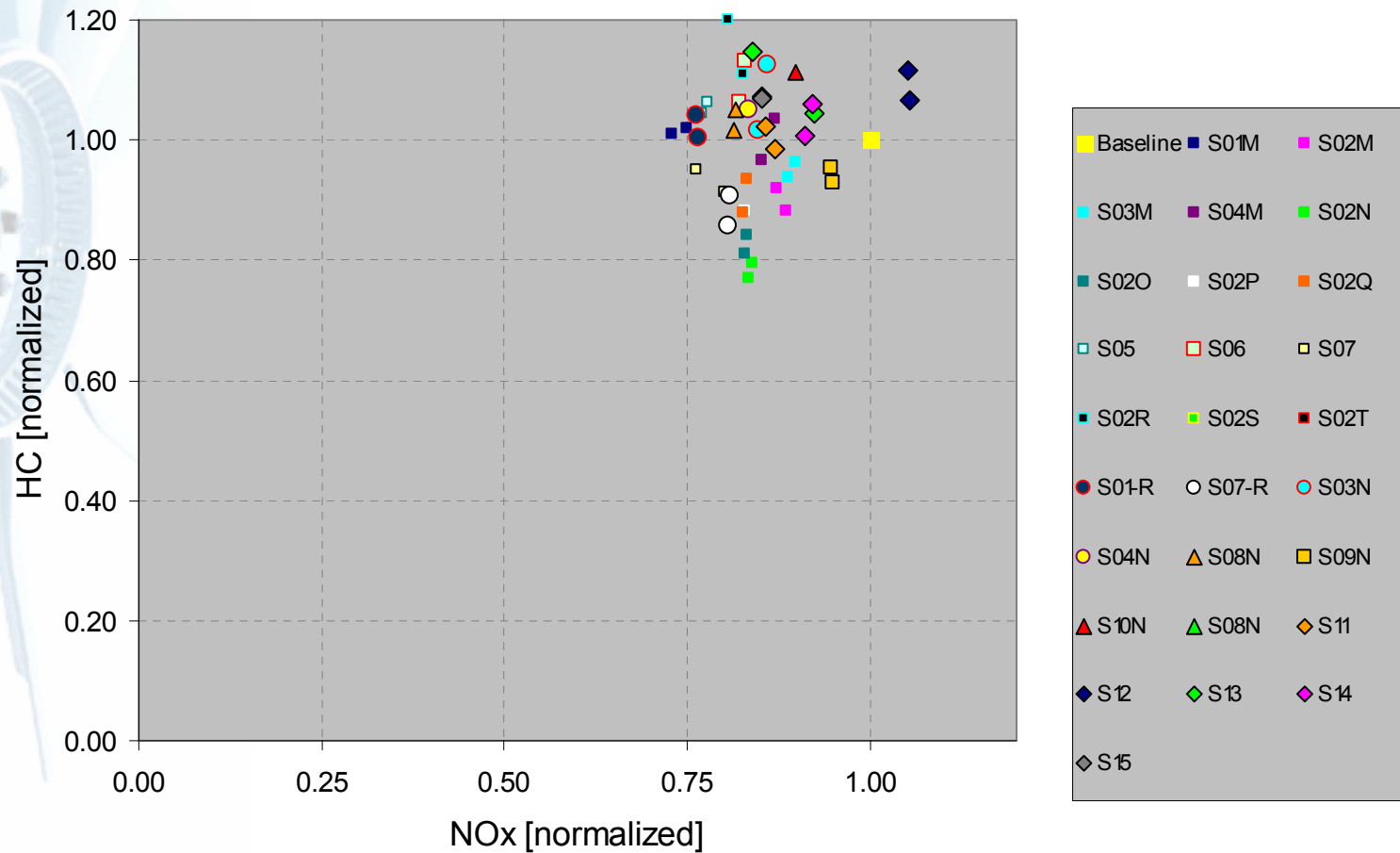


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# Validation and Verification – Actual FTP Emissions Results - II

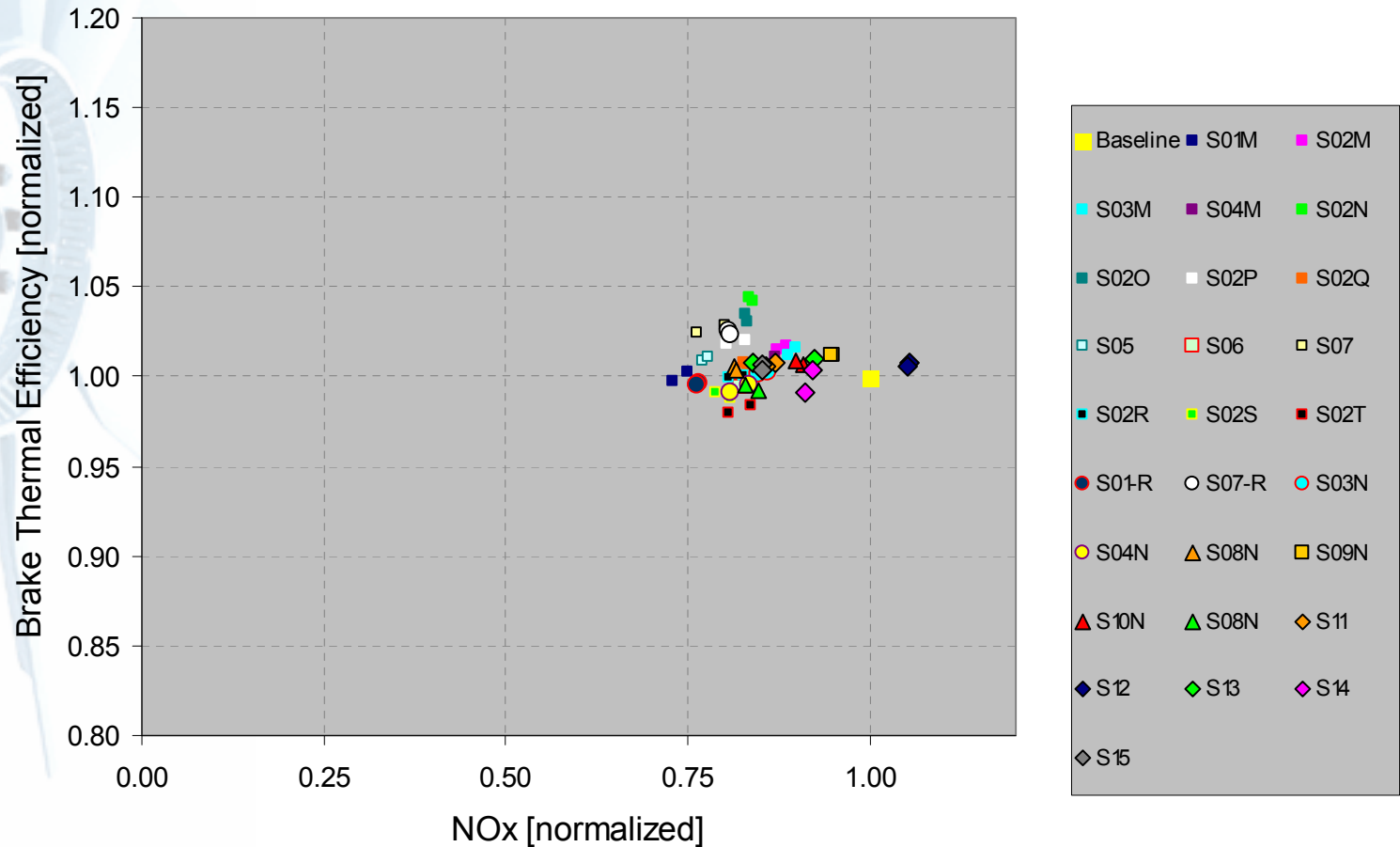


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# Validation and Verification – Actual FTP Emissions Results - III



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# Project Results

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- **Rapid Transient Calibration process requires two periods of about 10 dynamometer days each in the transient test cell**
  - Data collection – 15 custom transient cycles
  - Verification and validation
- **4 calendar months beginning to end**
- **Improved real-world fuel efficiency (~5%) across the FTP while meeting the same regulated emissions levels, with the same levels of engine performance and protection.**
- **Shifted a significant portion of the calibration burden out of the high cost, high demand transient test cell.**
- **Process is scalable – adding an extra control or calibration variable (such as urea dosing for SCR) will add effort, but not in a geometric fashion.**

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# Future Applications

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- **Control Strategy Development**
  - Using Point-by-Point calibration optimization (determining the optimum set of control parameters on a time-based basis, rather than on a table-based basis) gives insight into transient control strategies.
- **Model-Based Control System Development**
  - Utilize dynamic engine modeling techniques for real-time on-line, on-engine application, rather than off-line use.
- **Model-Based Diagnostics**
  - Dynamic modeling for real-time Virtual Sensing.



# Summary

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- **Model-Based Rapid Transient Calibration is able to**
  - Meet prevailing low emissions standards
  - With improved fuel economy
  - With significant reductions in the time and effort required to calibrate.
- **The key enabling technologies are dynamic engine modeling and off-line optimization.**
- **Reductions in engineering time, cost and effort have been shown with this beginning-to-end model-based calibration optimization process.**
- **Process is scalable – encouraging for even more complex future engine and aftertreatment systems.**
- **Further gains in on-line engine control, calibration, optimization and diagnostics are possible using the same model-based methods.**

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# Design of Transient Experiments

RPM  
Fresh air setpoint  
EGR setpoint  
Injection parameters  
(timing & pressure)



BTRQ  
NOx  
HC  
CO  
PM

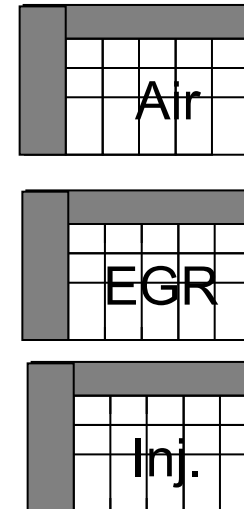
Offline Equation  
and Data-based  
Transient Engine  
Model

RPM  
Fueling rate  
Fresh air setpoint  
EGR setpoint  
Injection parameters  
(timing & pressure)

Transient Engine  
Model

BTRQ  
NOx  
HC  
CO  
PM  
BSFC

Optimization  
scheme



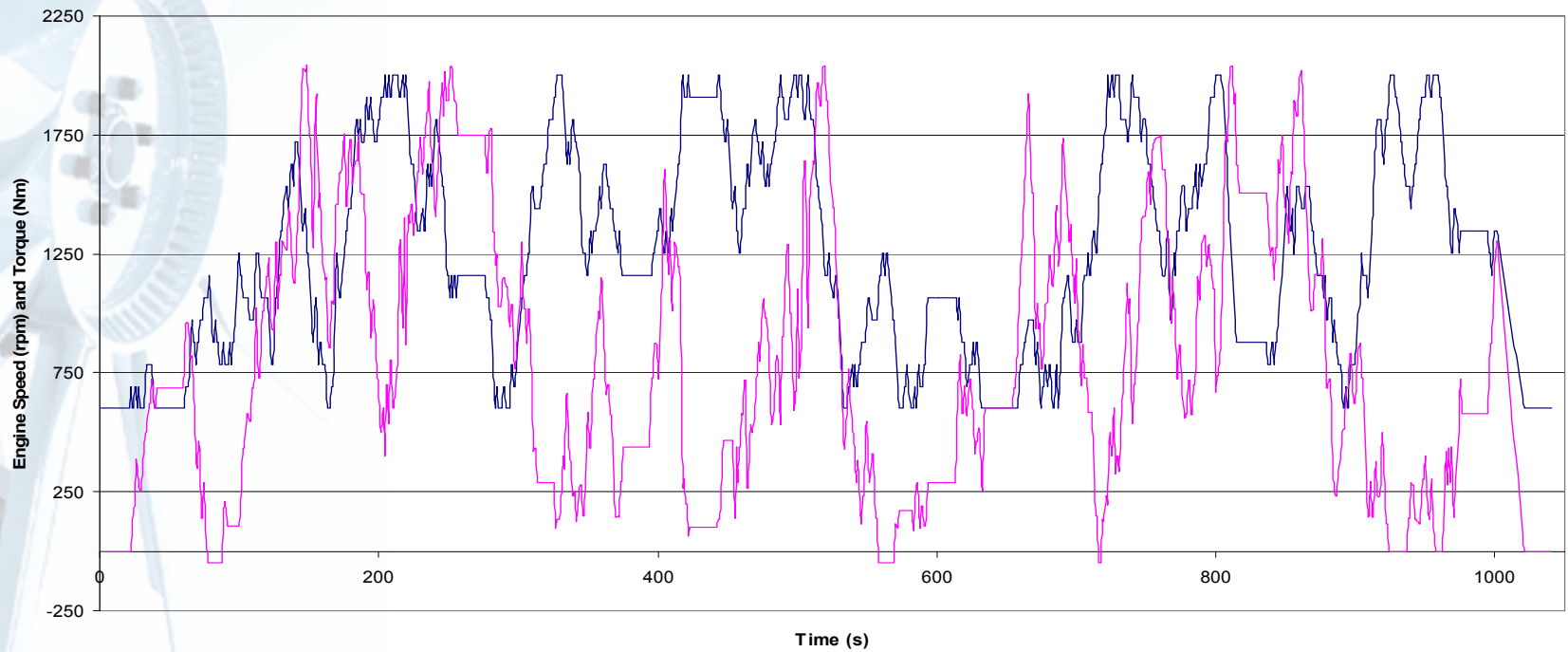
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# Transient Engine Test Cycle

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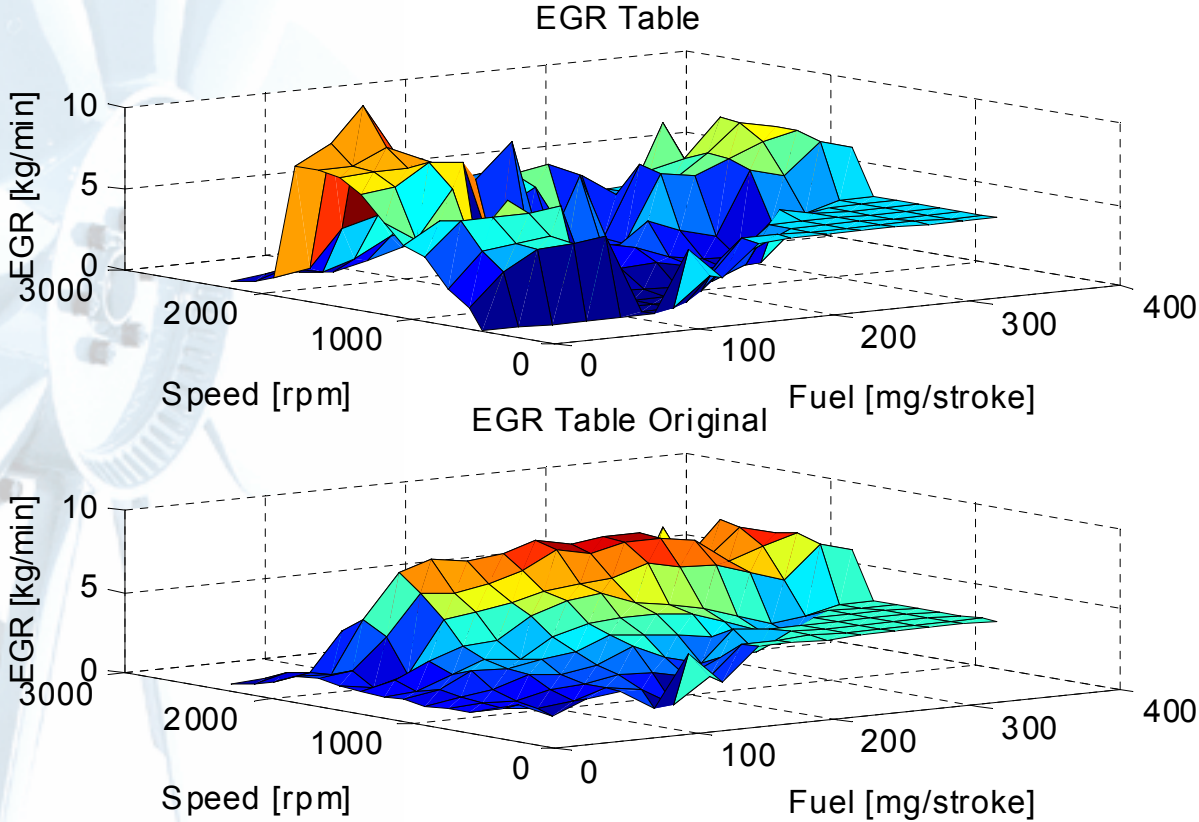


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# Typical Table-Based Output



# Simulated Emissions Results – III

(Integrated FTP emissions as a function of optimization weights)

	NOx Weight	CO Weight	PM Weight	CO2 Weight	NOx	CO	PM	CO2
<b>EMISSIONS</b>								
<b>NOx</b>	<b>-0.62</b>	0.31	0.26	-0.06	1			
<b>CO</b>	0.43	<b>-0.61</b>	-0.36	-0.05	<b>-0.67</b>	1		
<b>PM</b>	0.36	-0.36	<b>-0.58</b>	0.19	<b>-0.51</b>	<b>0.81</b>	1	
<b>CO2</b>	-0.05	0.09	0.07	<b>-0.37</b>	0.05	0.00	0.07	1

- Increasing NOx, CO, PM or CO2 weights in the optimization function results in a reduction in those emissions
- NOx and PM emissions are anti-correlated, as expected, while CO and PM are co-correlated.



# Background – Industry Trends

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- **Ever Decreasing Emissions Requirements**
- **Ever Increasing Fuel Economy and Brake Thermal Efficiency Demands**
- **Increasing Mechanical and Electronic Complexity of Engines and Aftertreatment Systems**
- **Cost Reduction Demands for Engine Development**
- **Reduced Product Engineering Development Cycles**
- **Increasing Demands on Transient Engine and Emissions Test Facilities**

