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General Motivation Driving Technology Development

Maximize efficiency within the constraints of emissions.



Efficiency Quest Overview

- Losses, efficiency decrements, can be identified
- Compression and expansion are wonderful processes thermodynamically
 - Their use, especially expansion, should be maximized
- Combustion irreversibilities of approximately 20% of the fuel's availability are unavoidable
 - This is not a combustion efficiency issue
- Keeping in-cylinder temperatures low is thermodynamically very advantageous
 - Directly impacts extractable expansion work for a specified expansion ratio, which works toward minimizing exhaust energy loss
- Heat transfer is a difficult loss to contend with low in-cylinder temperatures help in two ways
 - Minimized the magnitude of the heat transfer
 - Minimized the availability of the heat transfer energy lost
- Gas exchange work is a necessary expenditure because the engine is a chemical processes.
 - Increases in pumping requirements for any reason carries a fuel economy penalty
- No stone can be left unturned
 - Crevice volumes, friction, rotating inertia, transients, etc.

Where To From Here?

State of the art engines are becoming very good and approaching stretch goals.

Challenge:

- Continue to "eek" out further efficiency gains
- Expand these high efficiency operating regimes to larger portions of the engine operating map, and for all operational scenarios – transients

Introduce two activities

Gasoline Direct Injection Compression Ignition



Transient response

Gasoline Direct Injection Compression Ignition*

- GDICI is a low temperature combustion (LTC) strategy that offers the potential to increase efficiency and reduce both NOx and PM emissions
- This combustion strategy is highly dependent upon direct injection of gasoline near TDC (within 40° BTDC)
 - The timing and duration of this near-TDC injection can be tailored (based on speed and load) to create an optimized equivalent ratio distribution leading to a stable, staged combustion event (low noise)
- Unlike diesel LTC, GDICI requires no EGR up to 7 bar net IMEP, and PM emissions remain <0.1 g/kg-Fl at loads in excess of 14 bar net IMEP.



* GM-ERC-CRL and DOE Contract DE-EE0000202



LTC: Gasoline Compression Ignition

CFD served an important role during experimental investigations

- Computations provided initial run conditions
- Minimized risk to engine hardware

Highlights

- GCI combustion successfully demonstrated over a wide load/speed operating range (1500-2500 RPM, 3-17.8 bar net IMEP)
- Maximum cylinder PRR<10 bar/deg (limit traditionally used within group)
- NOx emissions < EPA US10 (~1 g/kg-Fl)
 - e.g. 5.5 bar net IMEP, 2000 operation required no EGR
 - For comparison, diesel LTC required ~65% EGR
- Near smokeless combustion up to 10 bar net IMEP (PM<<0.1 g/kg-FI)</p>
- Gross ISFC: 175-190 g/kWhr

Gasoline Compression Ignition (GCI) Operating Map



Emissions are Low and Combustion is Controllable



- Diesel efficiencies, with very low emissions
- Injection timing, pressure and split ratios give control robustness



Multi-cylinder Transient#



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	Steady State	MAF- MAP*	Quasi- Transient
Speed	Х	Х	Х
Fuel Mass	Х	Х	Х
MAP		Х	Х
MAF		Х	
Intake O2 [%]			Х
Intake Temp			Х
Rail Pressure			Х

*Eastwood et al., SAE 2009-24-0147

- Explore transient performance for LTC and combustion mode changes
- Identify and quantify the parametric differences between transient combustion and emission, and the values obtained from tests attempting is simulate transient performance via sequential steady state operating conditions

Reproducing Transients with Steady State Operation (LTC operation)

- O2 concentration at IVC is a critical parameter
- It is not properly assessed via MAF and ECU outputs





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Combustion Metrics

Reproducing Transients – Emissions (LTC)

- Emission trends for LTC transients are captured well when dilution at IVC (O2 concentration) is captured
- For complete reproduction of the transient results the effect of long term thermal transients must also be captured.
 - This is more important when the transient involves classis diesel combustion

Intake Conditions





Thank you for your attention

Questions

- What technologies will be used to further increase engine efficiency? Focus of this presentation
- How will government regulations on fuel economy and emissions influence future engine technologies? In part, they will drive it
- Is there a potential role of diesel engines for light-duty vehicles? Yes
- What role will suppliers play in helping to achieve lowemission, high-efficiency engines of the future? A Big One
- Is there a role for fuels other than gasoline and diesel in the transportation sector? If so, which fuels and which markets? If not, why not? No short answer
- Will consumers accept alternative fuels for light-duty vehicles? If they are convenient, available and affordable
- Do you foresee a large role for hybrid and electric vehicles? Yes
- How can modeling and simulation improve engine efficiency? This presentation

Tracking Energy and Exergy Flows

No stone left unturned

- Some losses we must accept, e.g. combustion irreversibilities
- Systematically work to maximize expansion work, and reduce other irreversibilities
 - Stretch goals have been identified giving road maps on pathways to maximizing efficiency
- Understand, and take advantage of, coupling of energy/exergy flows and emission abatement technologies

1st Law Energy Balance



2nd Law Exergy Balance

* From K Dean Edwards, et al., Oakridge National Laboratory, DEER 2011

