

Multicylinder Diesel Engine for LTC operation

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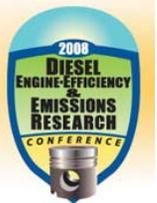
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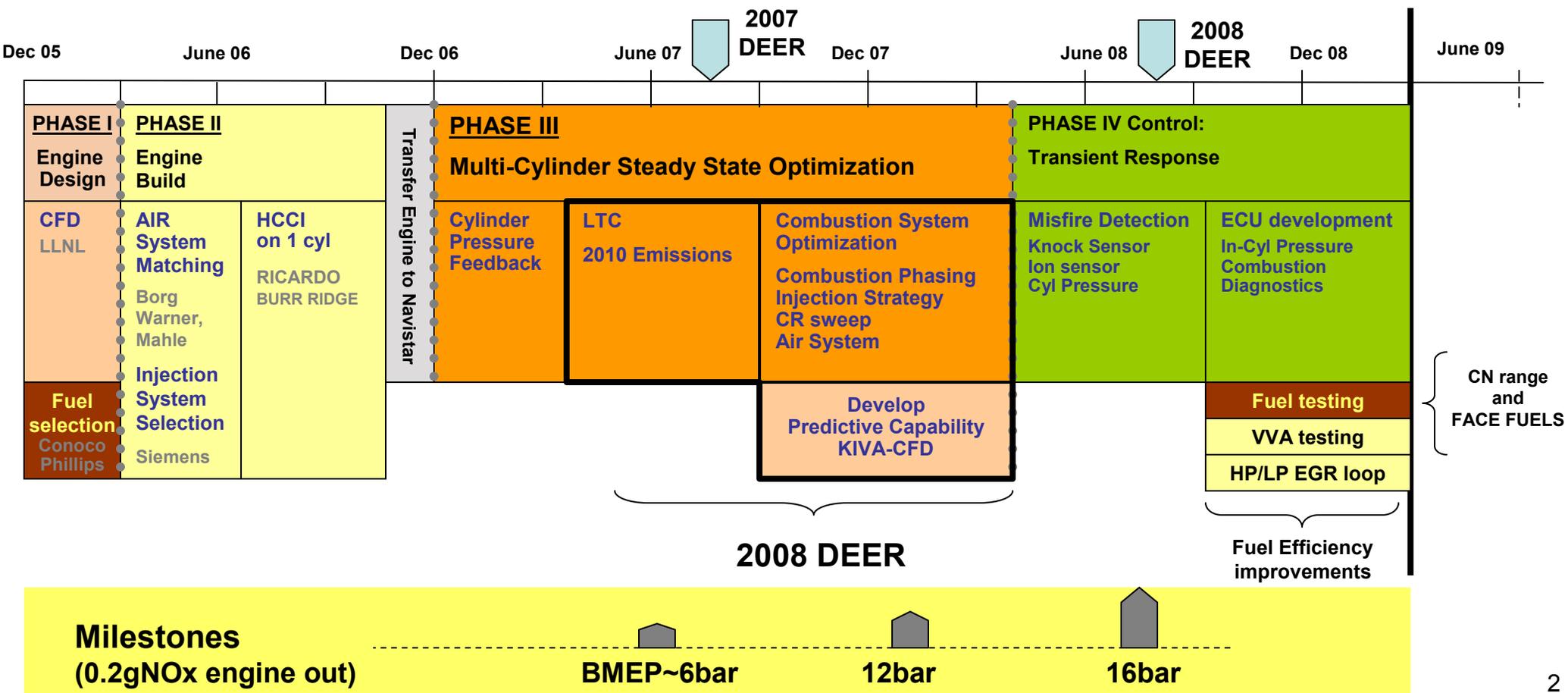
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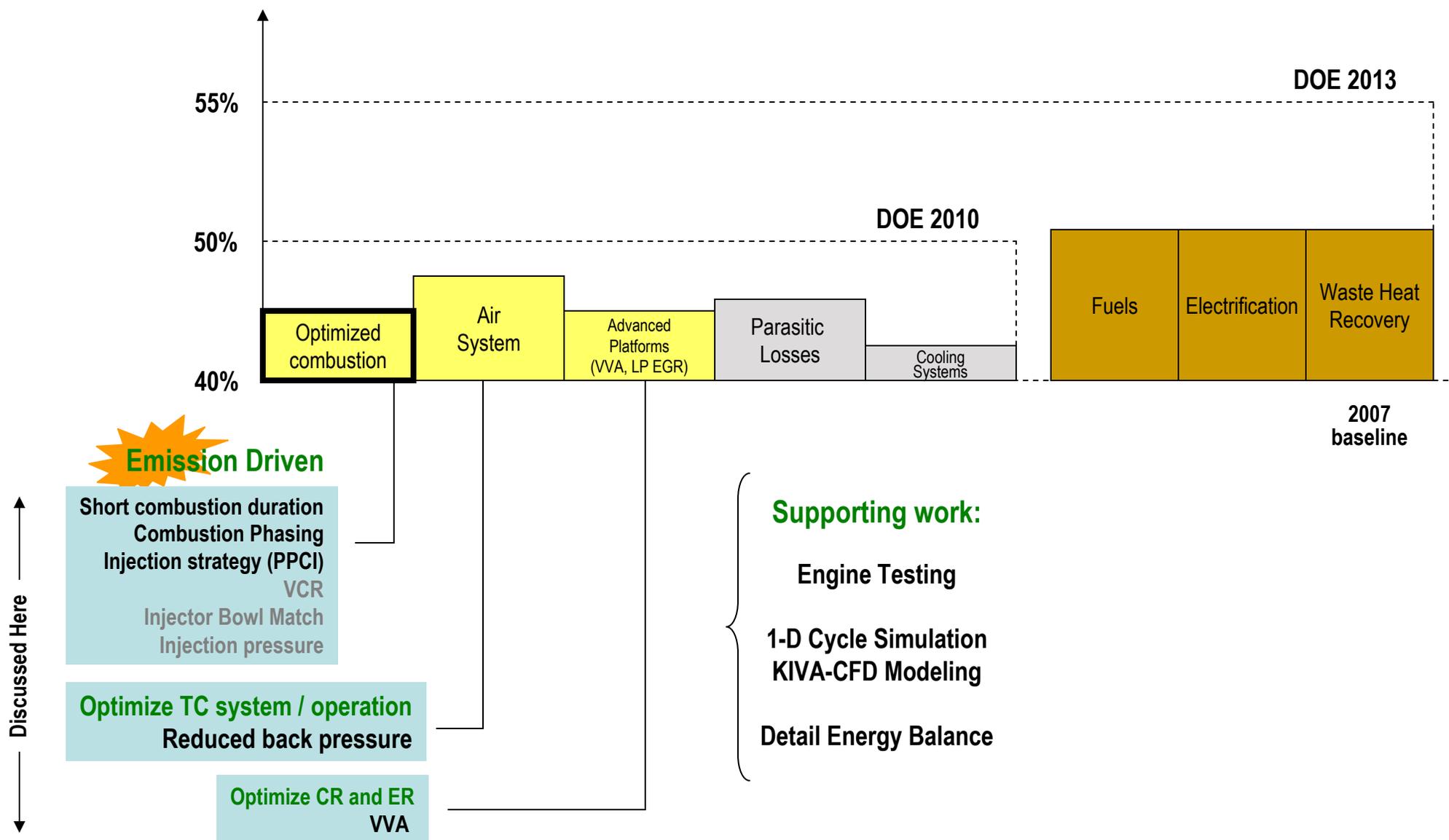
Goals and Objectives

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- Demonstrate the **application of low temperature combustion** to:
 - Yield 2010 NOx and Soot in-cylinder emissions
 - Study is carried out on the Navistar 6.4L engine using today's Diesel fuel
 - Target load 12.6 bar
 - Improve engine thermal efficiency
- Develop technology **capable for production implementation.**



Improve Thermal Efficiency

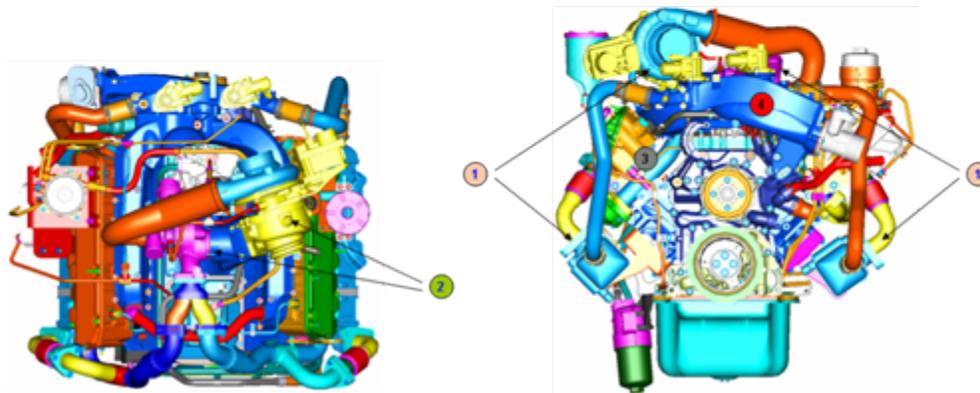


Base Engine:

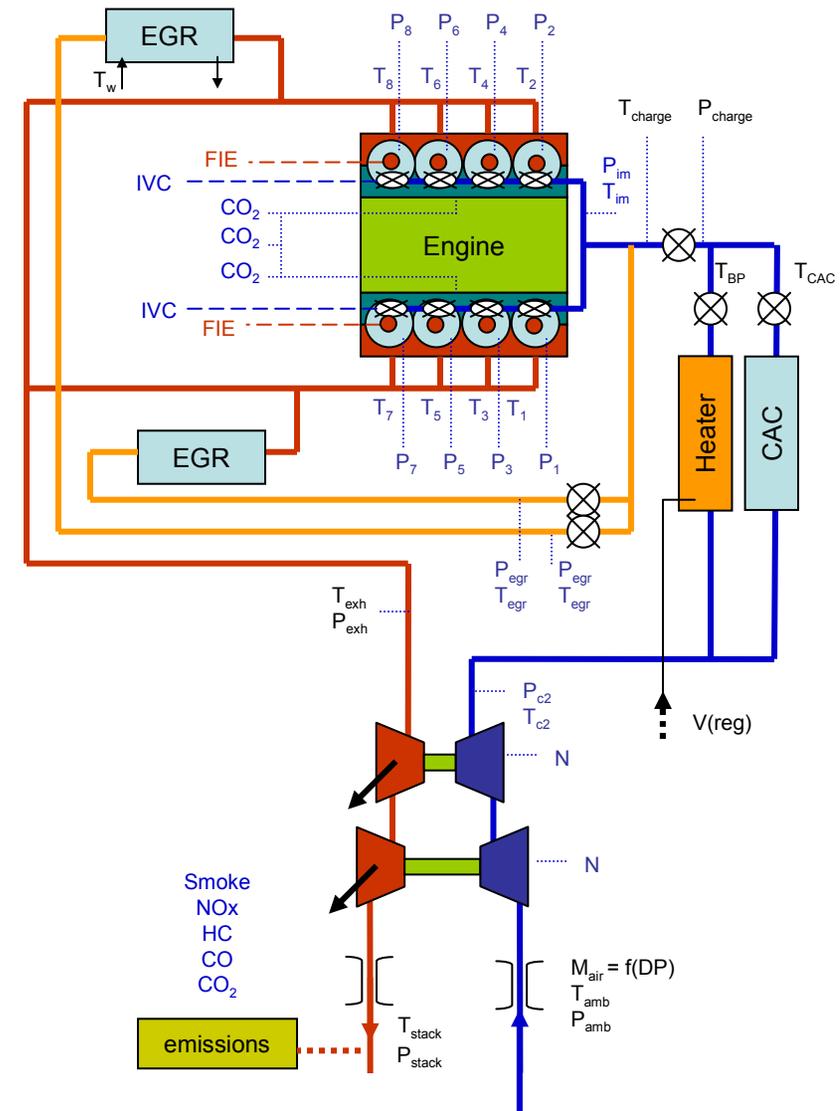
Common rail
Single stage VNT turbocharger
Single EGR cooler.

Present build encompass:

- (1) Dual-path EGR system
- (2) Two-stage TC each with VNT stages
- (3) High-flow cylinder head
- (4) EGR mixture
- (5) Low CR pistons
- (6) Multi-hole injectors



	Base engine	V8 Test Engine	SCTE
Displac. Bore Stroke	6.4L 98.5mm 105mm	6.4L 98.5mm 105mm	0.75L 95mm 105mm
FIE	DI Common Rail	DI Common Rail	DI Common Rail
CR	16	12-16.5	15-16.5
Turbo Charger	Single Stage VNT	Dual Stage VNT	Surge tank
EGR system	HP loop Single Cooler	HP loop Dual Cooler	cooled
IVC EVO	-133 BTDC 132 ATDC	-133 BTDC 132 ATDC	-133 BTDC 132 ATDC

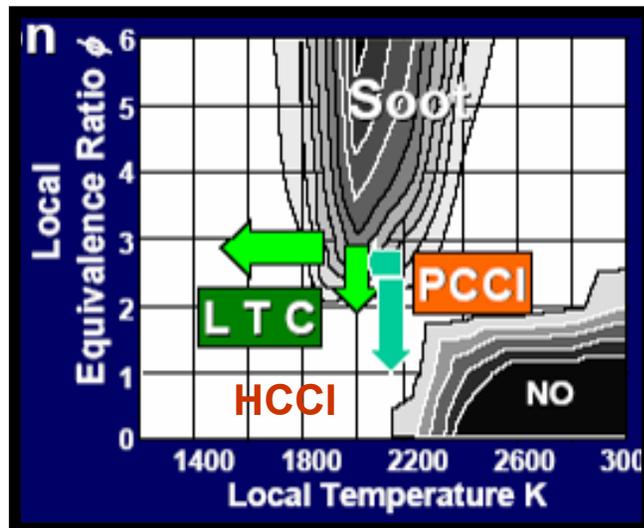


Definition of LTC

- HCCI:** Lean, Homogenous ($\Phi \sim 0.2$),
Temp controlled ignition
- LTC:** Similar to Conven'l Diesel Diffusion ($\Phi \sim 1 - 1.2$)
Very-high EGR (~60%)
- PCCI:** Improved mixture, increased ignition delay
Higher injection pressures
Fuel injection timing (closer to TDC)
Less dependent on very-high EGR
Further bowl – injector matching

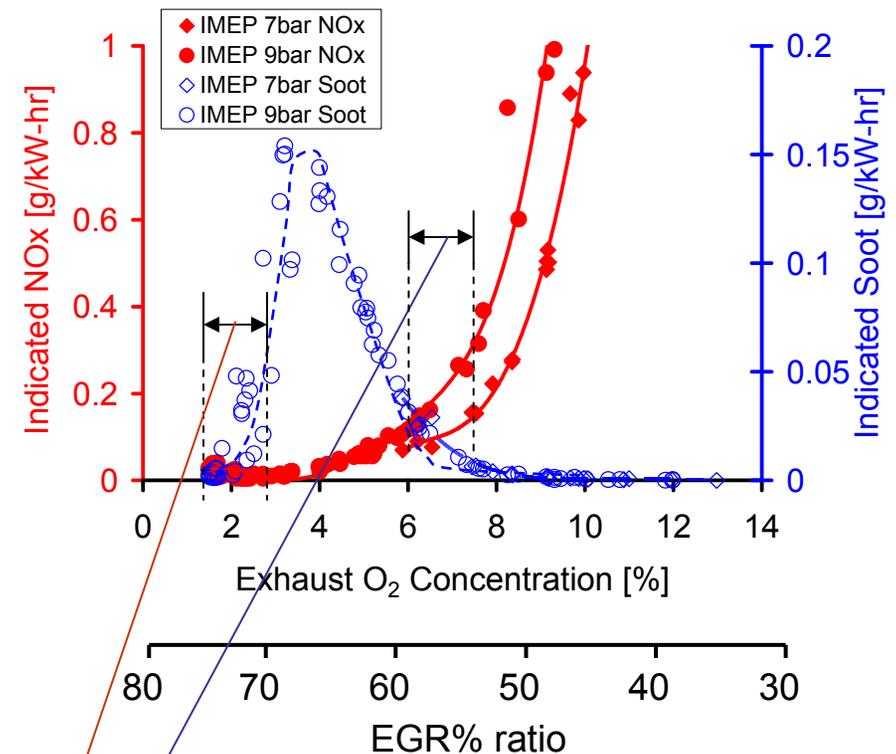
Representative data from SCTE

IMEP	7, 9 bar
N	1200 rpm
P_{intake}	2 bar
M_f	28, 33 mg/stke



[Herzog et. al 1992]
[Akihama et. al 2001]

Ref. AVL



Low Temperature Combustion

PCI

Engine Mapping Optimization

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Target of Program:

Implement LTC trough 12.5 bar BMEP on a production platform

Meet NOx and SOOT 2010 targets without after-treatment

Promote BSFC to meet 2007 levels and work towards DOE targets of 50 to 55% efficiency.

Work in Progress

Extend LTC range

Focus of Presentation

PCCI - LTC

Injection pressure

Fuel injection strategy

Temperature management

LTC - High EGR

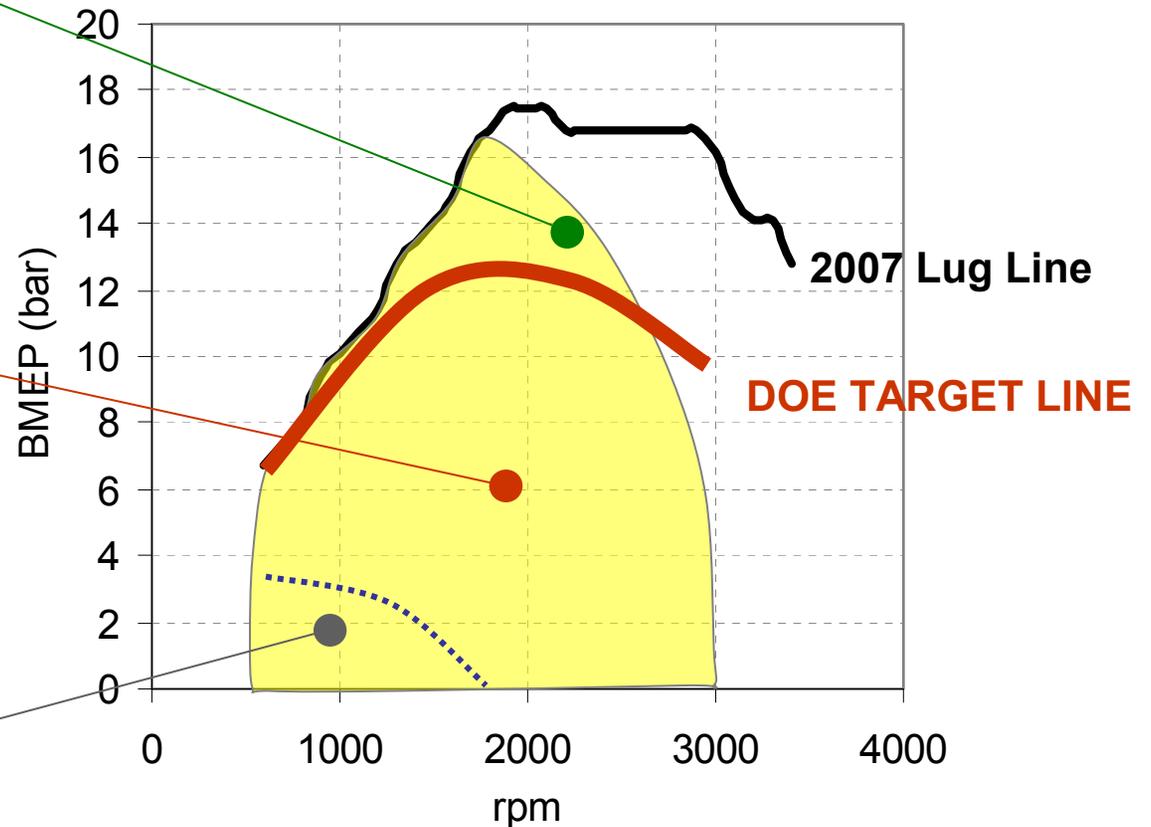
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HCCI

Multiple shots

Medium EGR rate

Present Range
of testing



PCCI – LTC BMEP load gains:

Fundamental understanding



Engine Testing

1-D Thermodynamic Models

CFD

KIVA

ROI and Spray models



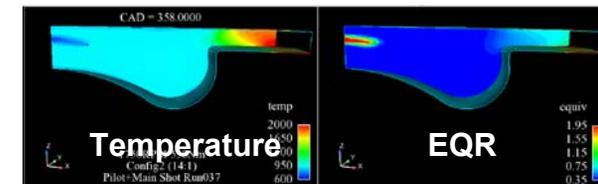
LTC



Multiple Shot

Fuel Properties

Diesel Surrogates
FACE Fuels



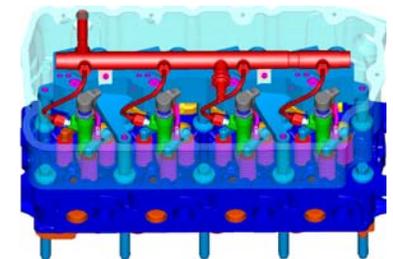
Emerging Technologies

Turbo Systems

Cooling

Fuel Injection Equipment

VVA



Highlights

Injection strategy – Single Shot

- Effects of **early timing** vs. load increase
- Effective NO_x control
- Modeling and experimental correlations

Transition to Multiple Shots

Multiple Pilots

- Effective soot control (safeguard bsfc)
- Modeling and experimental correlations

Air System optimization

- Effects on Injection Strategy on BSFC
- Coordinate EGR / Turbo
- Advantages of VVA

Summary

Current Status

Operating at ~ 16 bar BMEP

- Can run with 40 - 50% EGR
- Yield 0.2gNO_x/bhp-hr
- Reasonable soot (0.05-0.1g/bhp-hr)
- High combustion Efficiency

Next steps

Combustion optimization towards BSFC goals

- Take a piece-wise approach
(vs one-step to 50%)
- FUP ~ comb duration
- Fuel specific formulations
(e.g. non-sooting)

Injection Strategy

Combustion Phasing Optimization

Emission Driven

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Positive Impact of Early Injection (early PCCI) Single Shot Injection

Path to reducing flame temps

- Dilute charge O₂ concentration (AFR)
- Raise heat capacity of mixture (EGR)
- Reduce fuel rich zones (strength)

Path to reduce in-cylinder PM

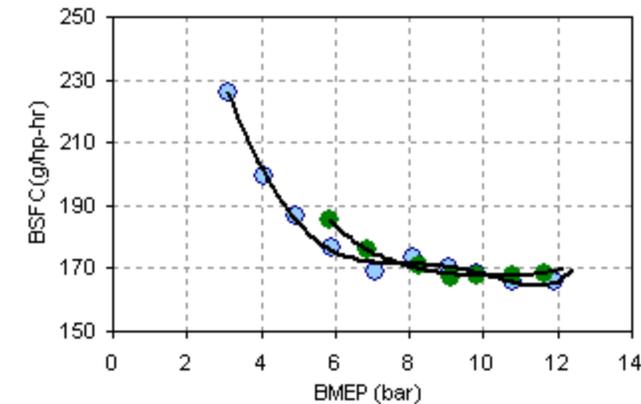
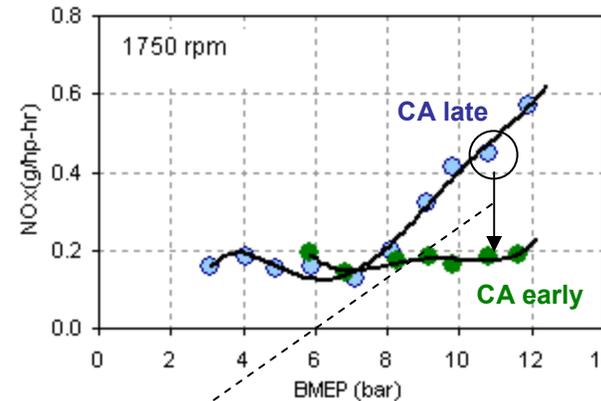
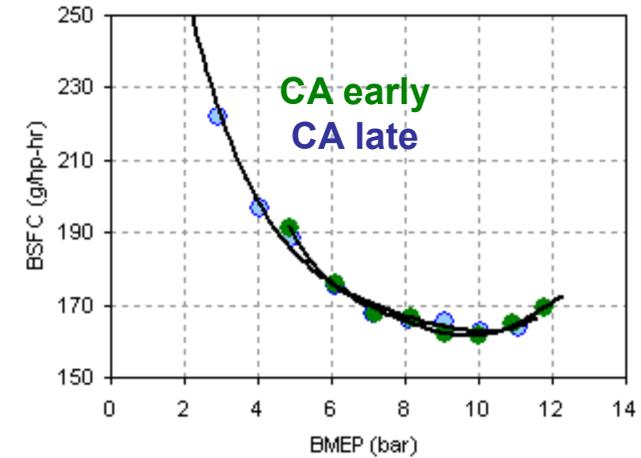
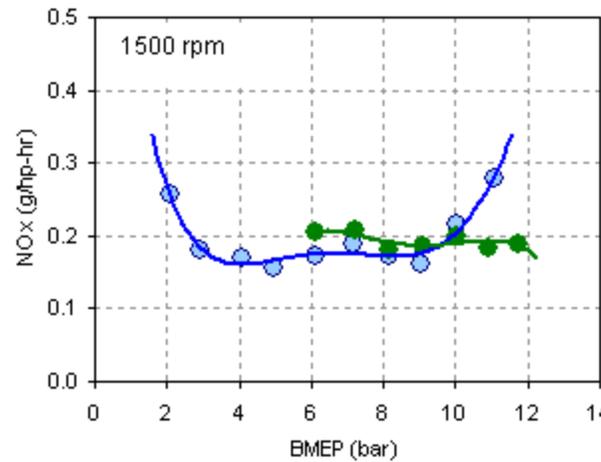
- Optimize piston-injector match
- Increased boost
- Increase ignition delay (premixed burn)
 - Increased injection pressure
 - Early injection timings

At higher loads:

- Multiple injections
- Lower combustion temperatures

Focus on Combustion mechanism
at 1750 10.7 bar reducing NOx and
SOOT with injection timing

Multi-Cylinder Engine Testing



Injection Strategy

Combustion Phasing Optimization

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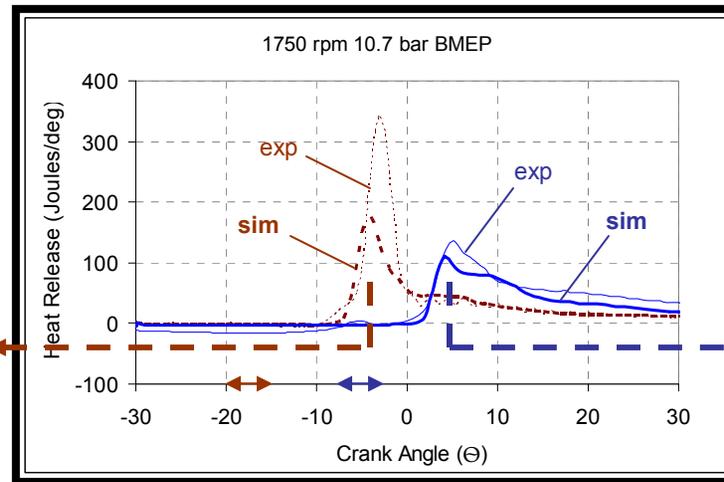
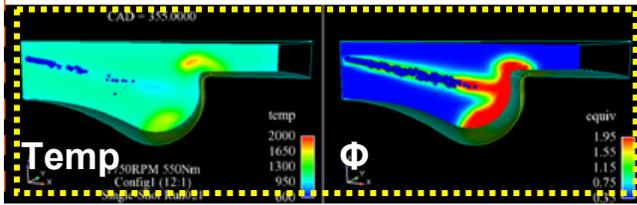
Positive Impact of Early Injection (early PCCI)

1. The local chemistry shows **leaner** and **cooler** combustion.
2. The early injection aids to better entrainment and vaporization of the fuel.
3. The rate of combustion is more rapid.

Early Injection

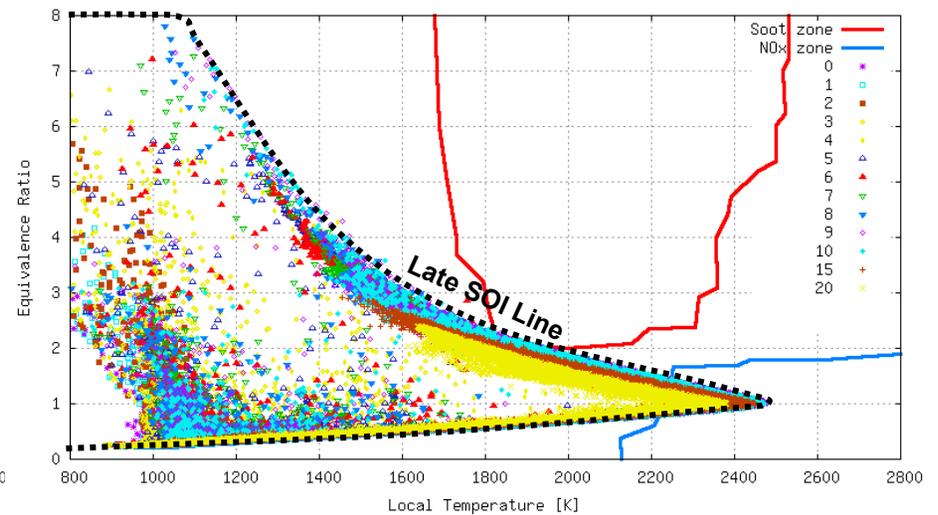
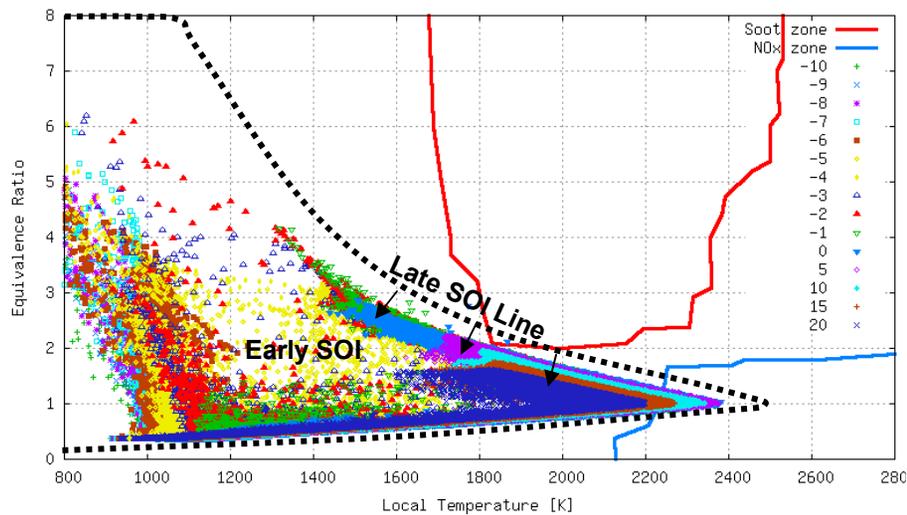
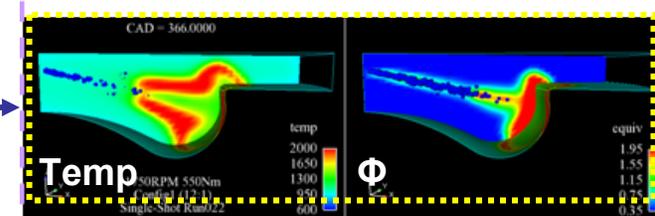
Image corresponds to Peak in HR trace

-5 atdc



Late Injection

6 atdc



1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP
KIVA vs. Engine Data

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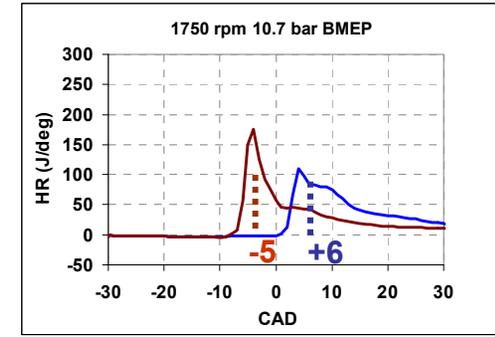
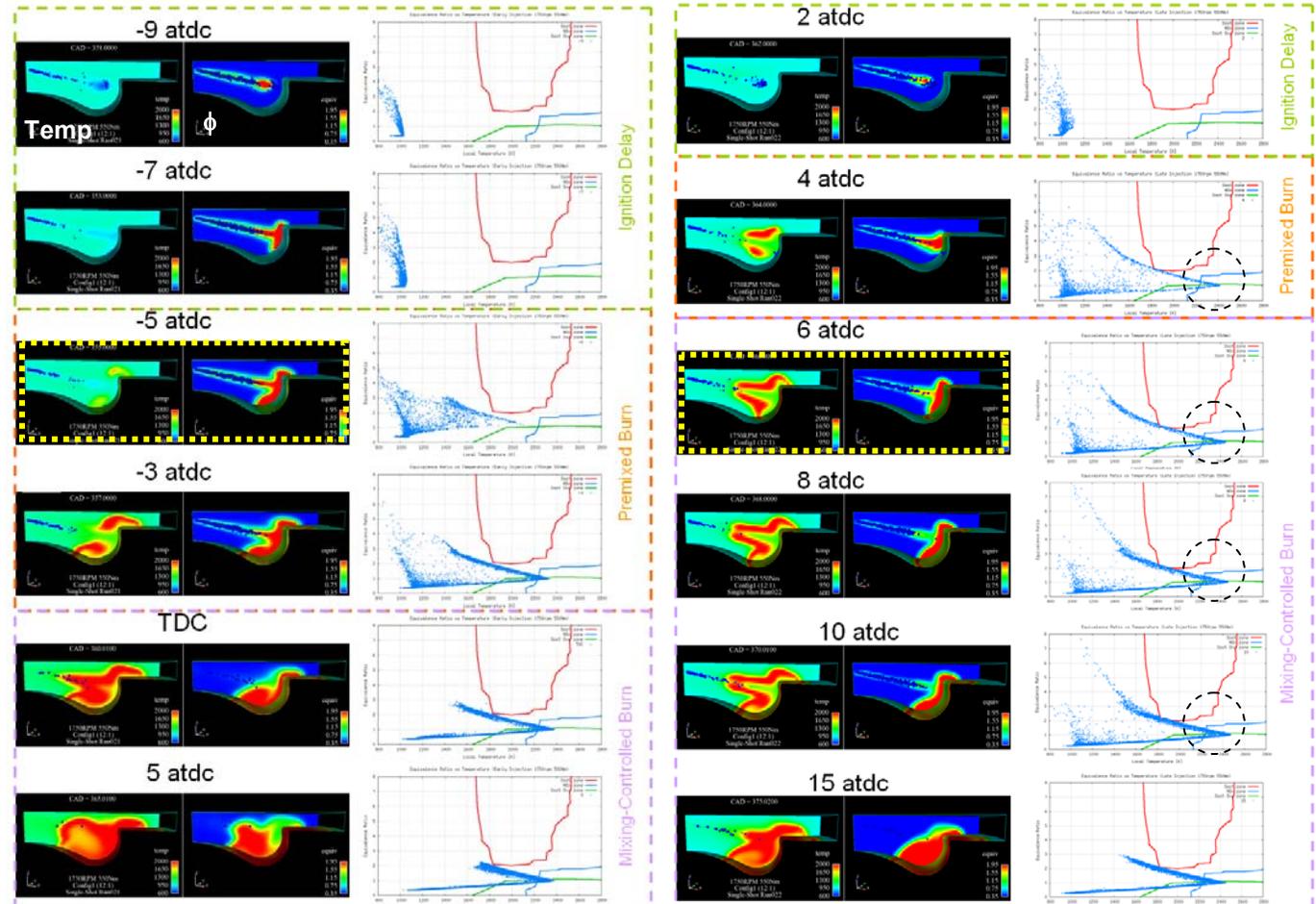
Simulations highlight the impact of injection timing in the throughout the combustion process including, *ignition delay*, *premixed burn*, *mixing control burn*.

Point of max
hear release
rate



Late injection
timings show cells
longer residence
time within the NOx
formation island.

1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP

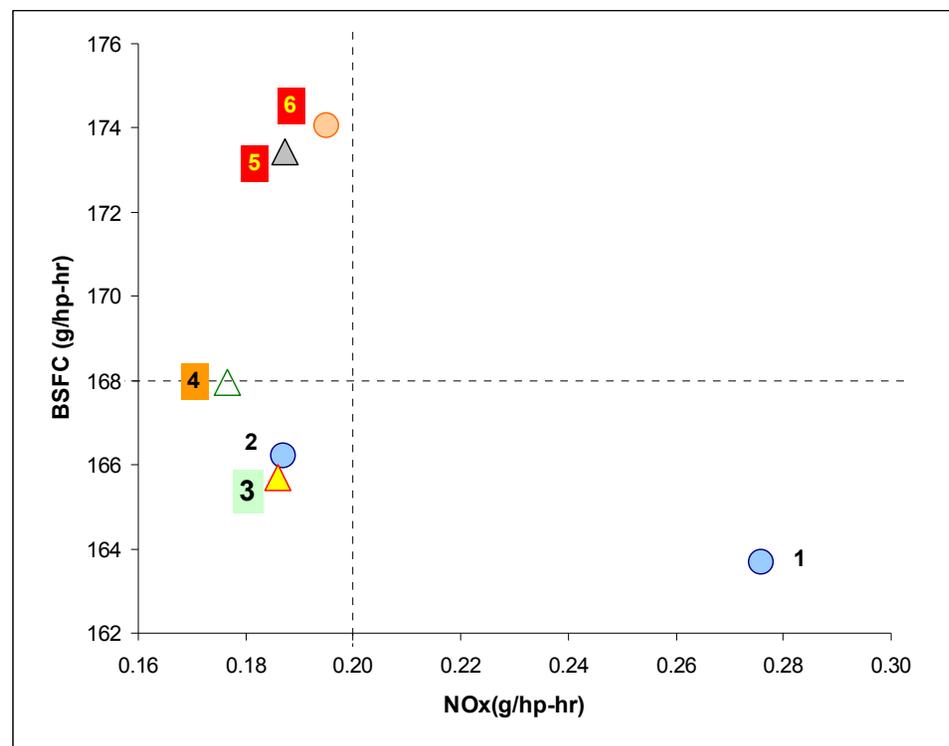
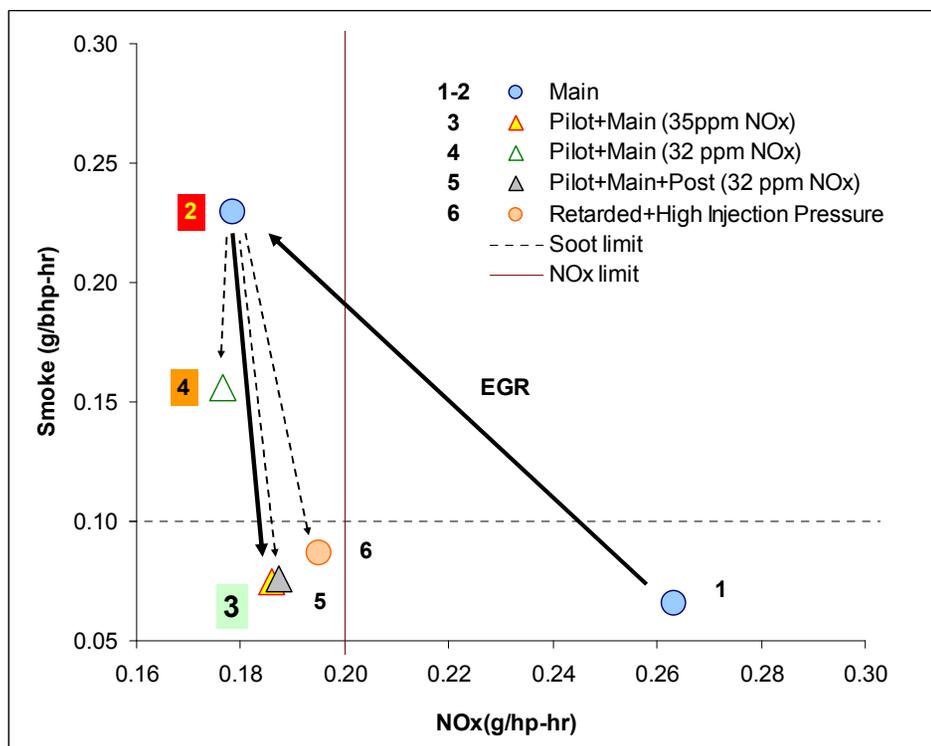


Combustion optimization is driven by emission requirements.

Engine Data at
1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP

The injection strategy can be tailored to reduce **soot and NOx**.

Options *become reduced* when **fuel efficiency** is to be preserved or improved.



Next focus on pilot strategy

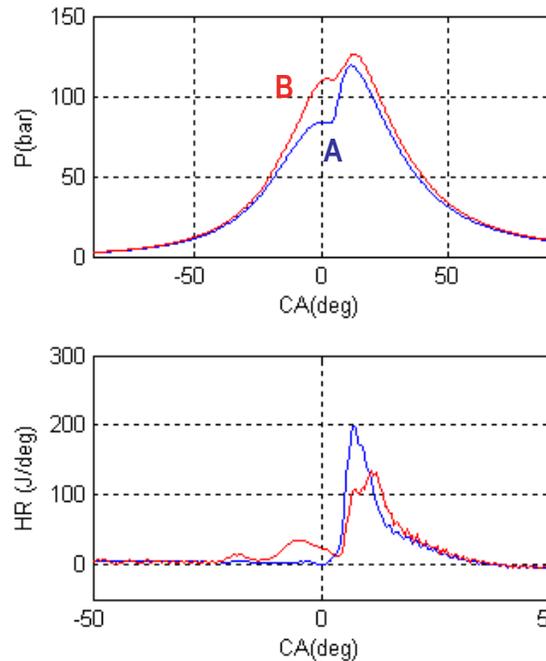
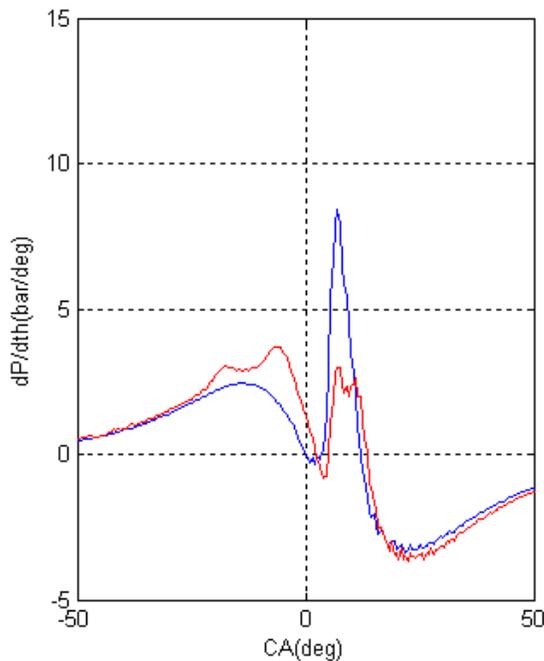
Optimization of pilot quantity

Pilot quantity is evaluated via soot and NOx tradeoff with respect to BSFC:

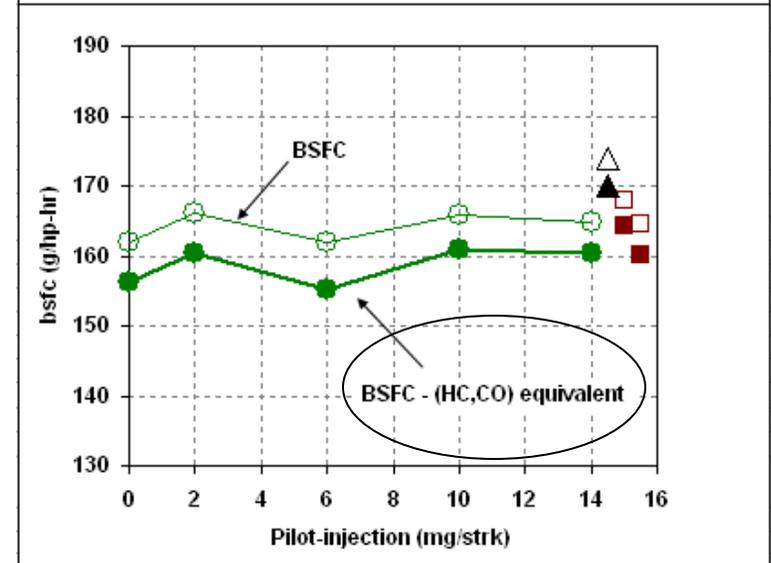
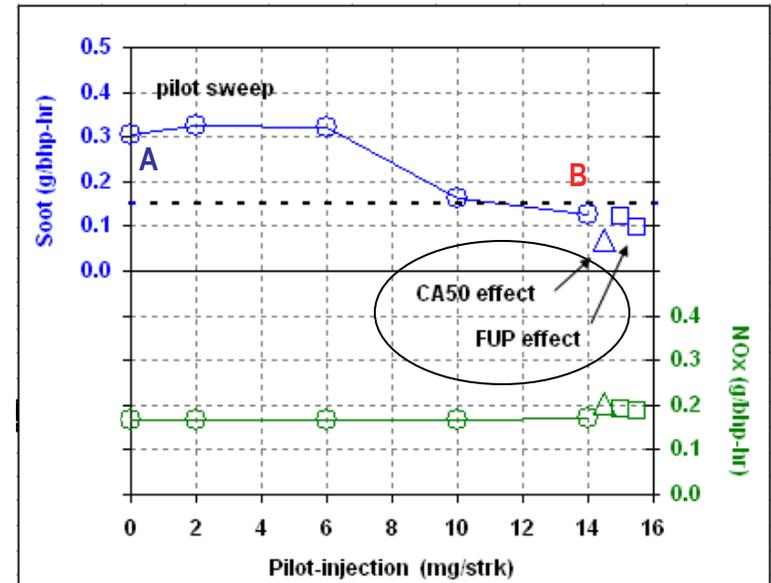
- Pilot quantity can reduce SOOT at constant fueling and NOx.
- The effect of pilot is sensitive to a minimum quantity
- Injection pressure and combustion phasing may weigh in to further optimize the present tradeoff without excess penalty to fueling
- It is effective to reduce the max rate of pressure rise (A vs. B)

HC and CO with respect to BSFC

- Combined contribution appears to be minimum vs. BSFC



Engine Data at 1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP



Injection Strategy

Pilot-shot optimization

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Optimization of pilot quantity

Simulations captured the ignition characteristics of the pilot events.

Pilot liquid phase (A) vaporizes prior to main injection event

Results corroborate the BSFC – (HC,CO) balance from previous slide

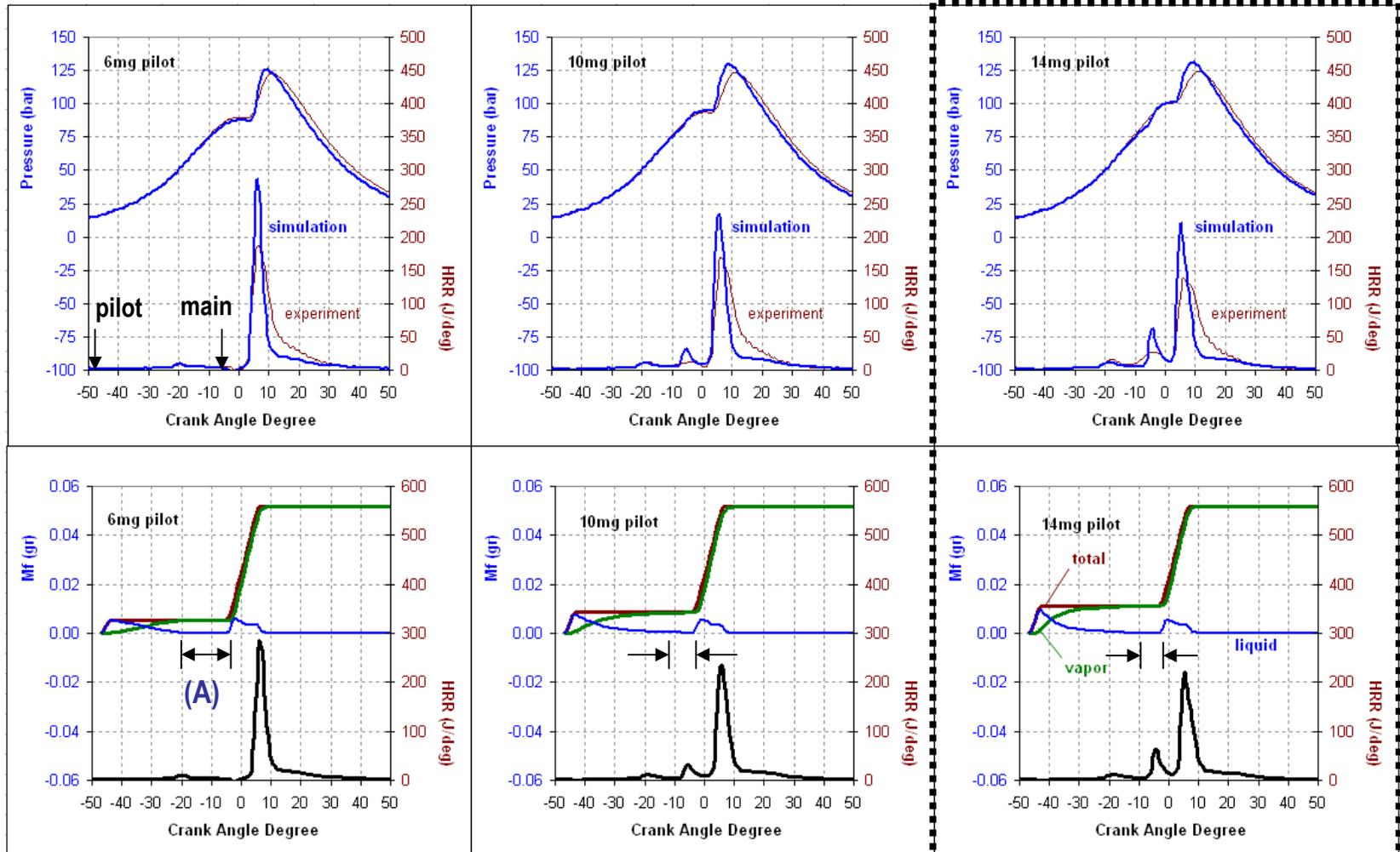
1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP
SIMULATION vs. Experiments

Cylinder Pressure

Heat release trace

Detail of Injection trace and fuel phase composition

Heat release trace



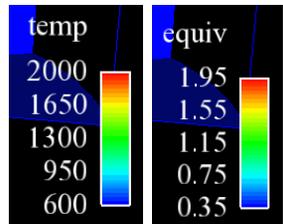
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Pilot-shot optimization

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Pilot mixture preparation

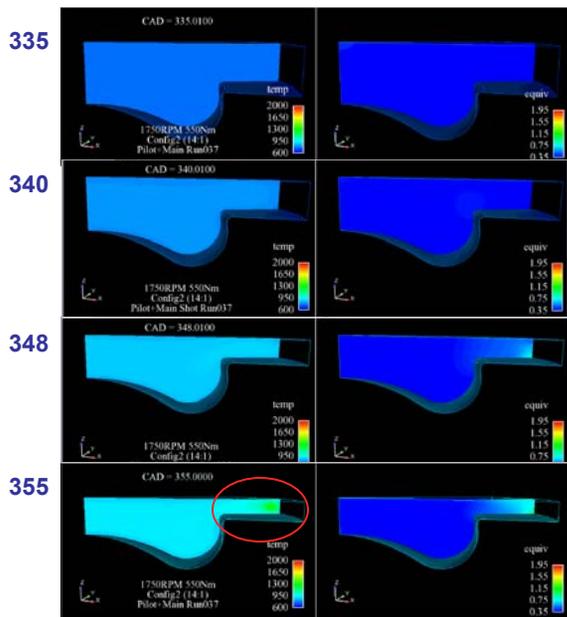
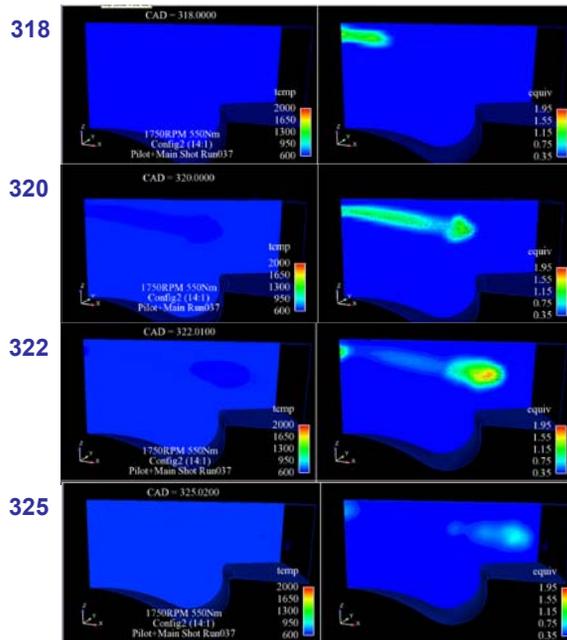


Pilot injection vaporizes

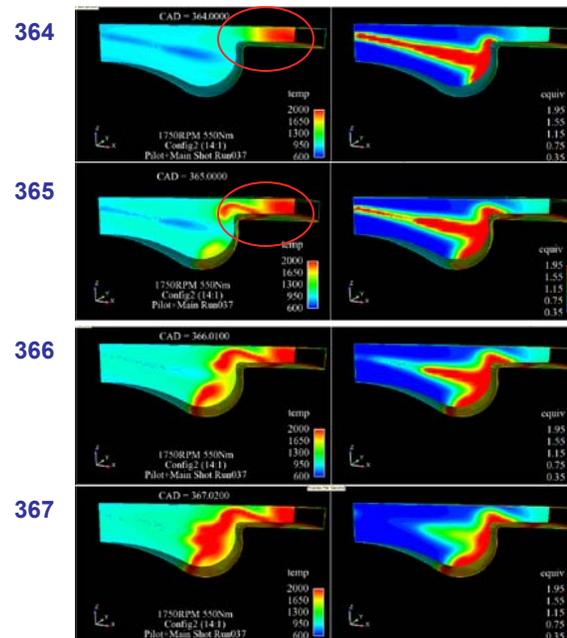
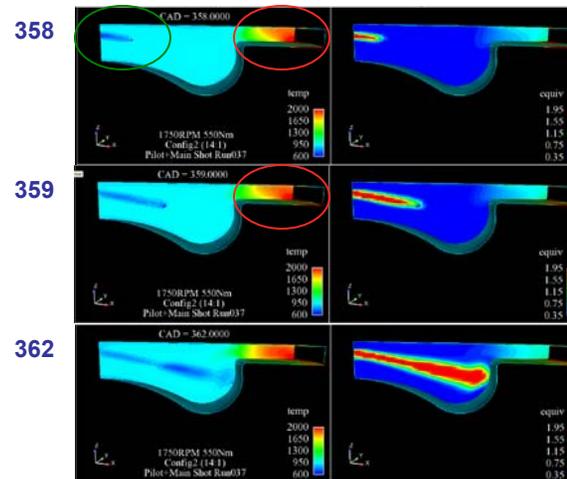
Low temperature combustion
Based on temperature distribution and heat release curve shows initial combustion at 340°

High temperature Pilot Combustion begins at 355°

Temperature EQR



Temperature EQR

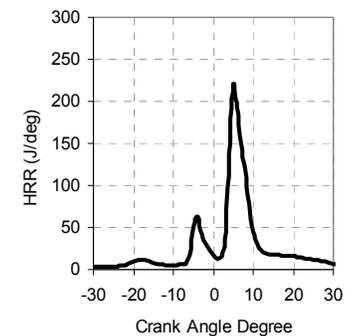


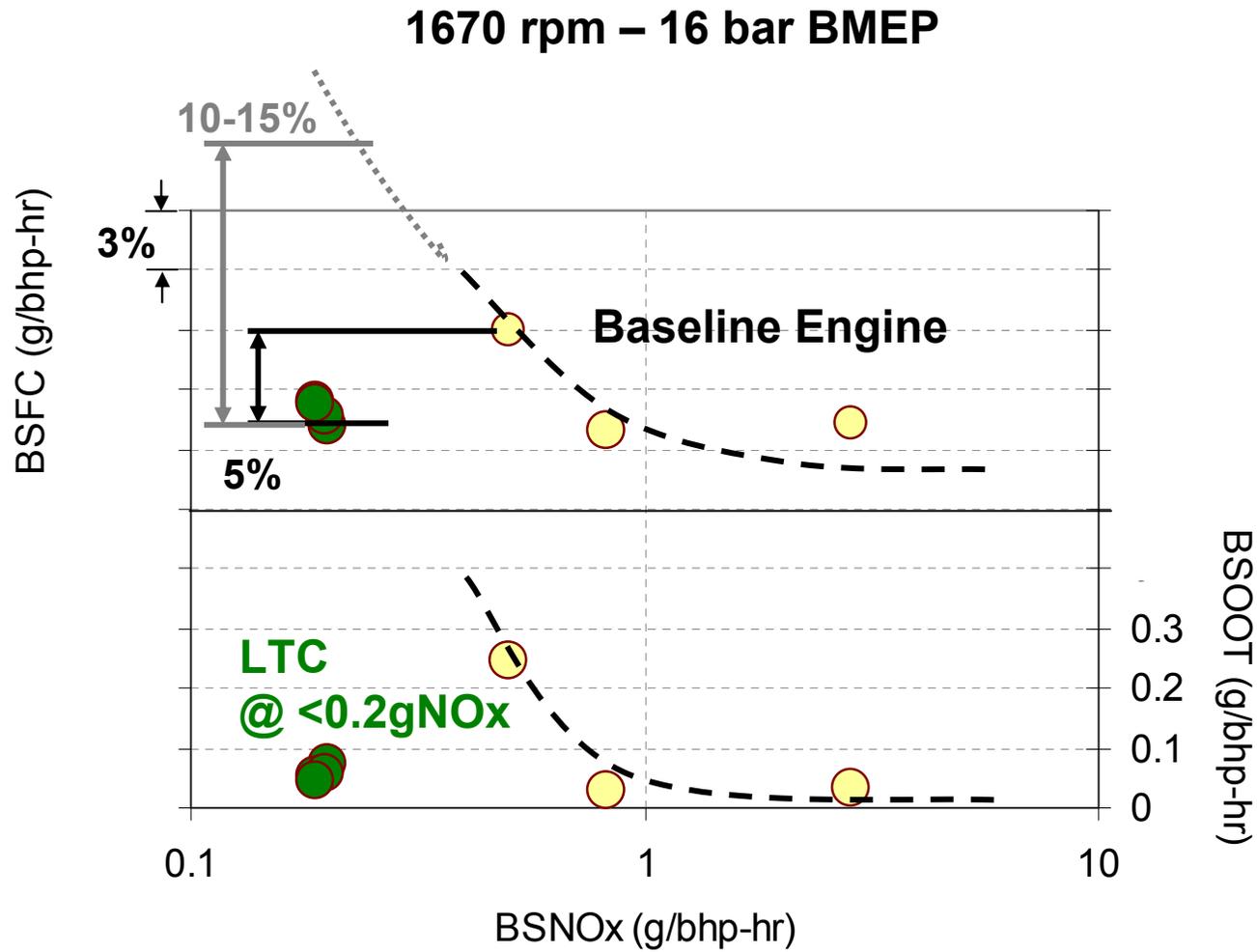
1750 rpm – 10.7 bar BMEP
14 mg pilot
SIMULATION

Start of main injection

Suppression of the heat release from the main injection fuel occurs for approximately 4°

Main reaction take place
Pilot appears to ignite the main spray





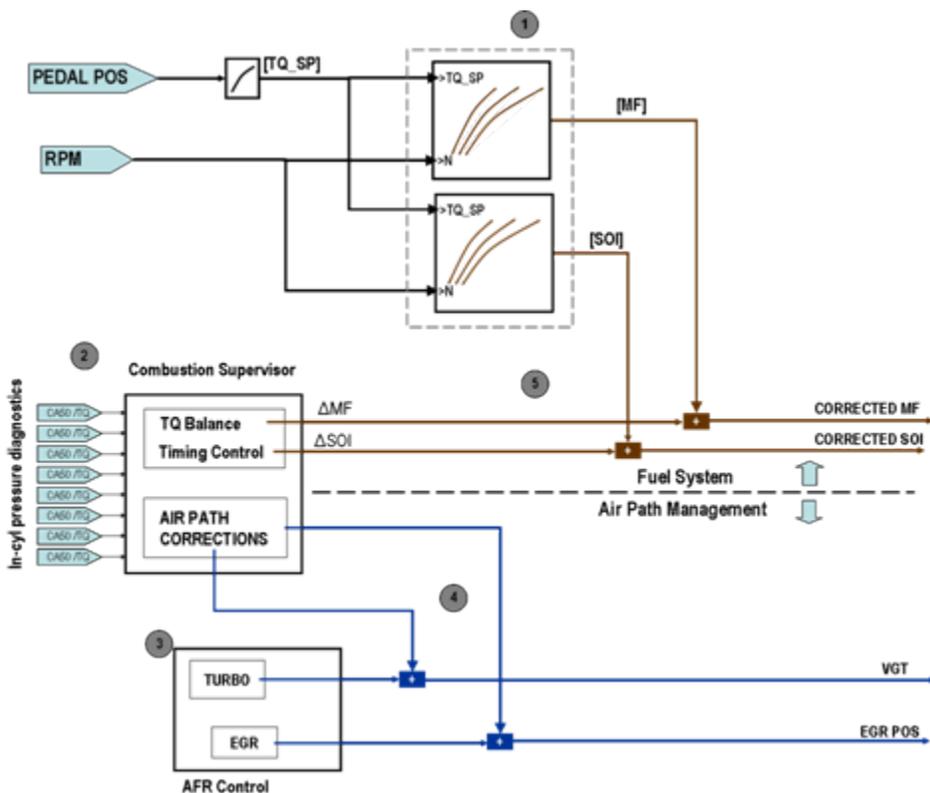
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Model Based Control

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Systems Approach

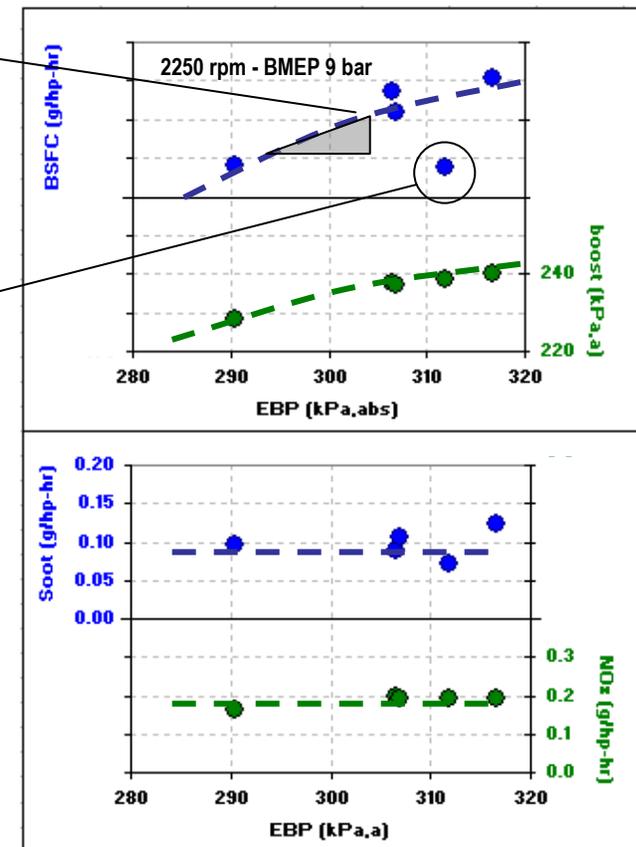
- Air system management
coordinated EGR, ITH, VVA, VNT
- Fuel Injection management
- In cylinder diagnostics
- Modeling and simulation
- Controls *Rapid Prototype Systems*



Multiple shot Strategies

Single shot

BSFC to DP:
1% ~ 10kPa



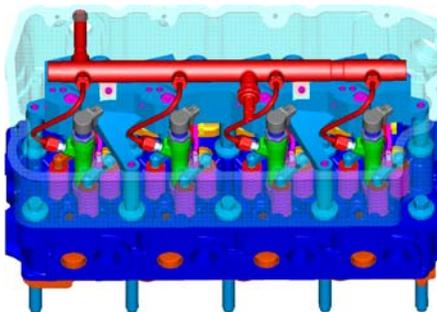
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VVA design and Impact on Engine Performance

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VVA advantages:

- Improve volumetric efficiency at low speeds and loads
- Improve emissions by increasing ignition delay and reducing in-cylinder temperatures
- Maximize efficiencies and PCCI regions by using Miller-type cycles at part loads



Electro-hydraulic Intake Valve System control installed on the Navistar 6.4 L V8 engine.

FSN improvement islands ~ 2 FSN

BSFC improvements ~ 4%

Volumetric efficiency gains

- **Applied low temperature combustion**

To target 2010 NOx engine out emissions using today's Diesel fuel without active aftertreatment.

- **Approach focused on the combustion system** primarily looking to optimize

- a. The fuel injection strategy to favor premixing fuel into the charge cylinder mass.
- b. Optimize the operating boundary conditions, such as in-cylinder temperatures, EGR / in-cylinder O₂ content.
- c. Improve brake thermal efficiency.
- d. Rely on CFD to understand behavior of with pilot injection (prediction of ignition delay, heat release)

- **LTC was achieved**

- a. With EGR, temperature management for BMEP load levels of 6 bar.
- b. With EGR, high injection pressure and early injection timing for loads from 6-12 bar.
- c. Transitioning of a multi-shot strategy at 12-16 bar load levels.

- **The technology gathered is capable for production implementation**

- Future work will examine

- a. The impact of VVA in the engine emissions and BSFC.
- b. The effects of a variety of fuel formulations will be tested in this platform.

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