Control Strategy for a Dual Loop EGR System to Meet Euro 6 and Beyond

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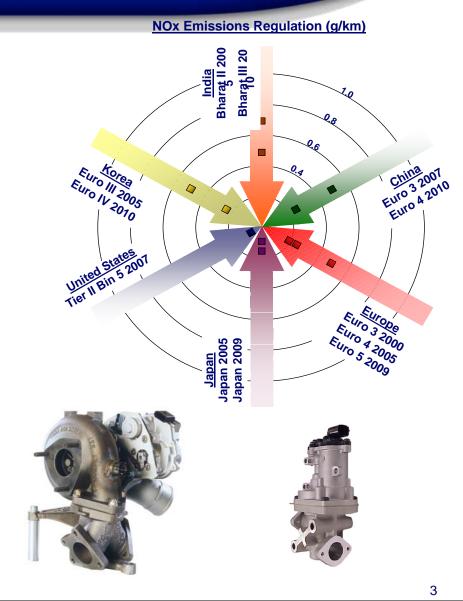
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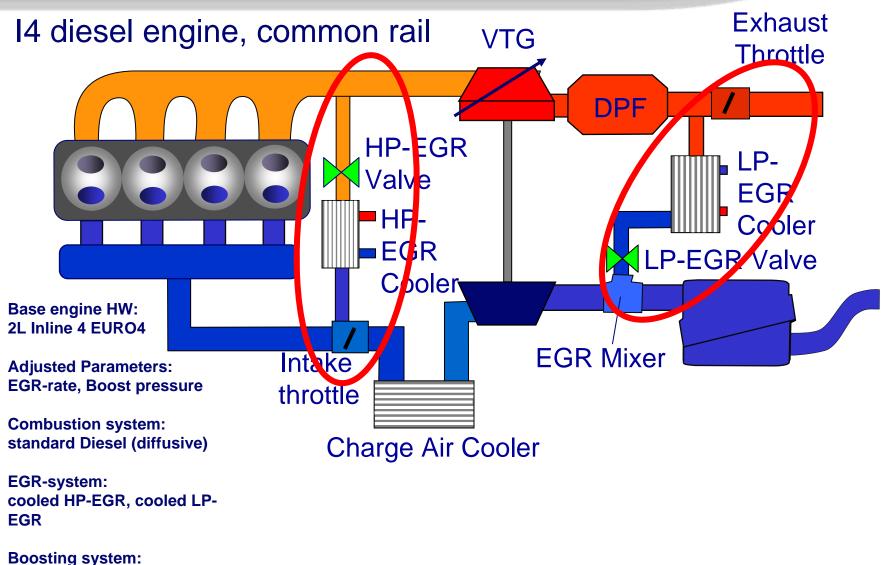


Motivation

- Reduce the cost and lower emissions of diesel engines in an ever tightening regulatory world
 - Focus on EGR and Boost Systems



EGR & Turbo Charging System Architecture Base "Dual Loop" EGR system Layout



1-stage VTG



Last year conclusions

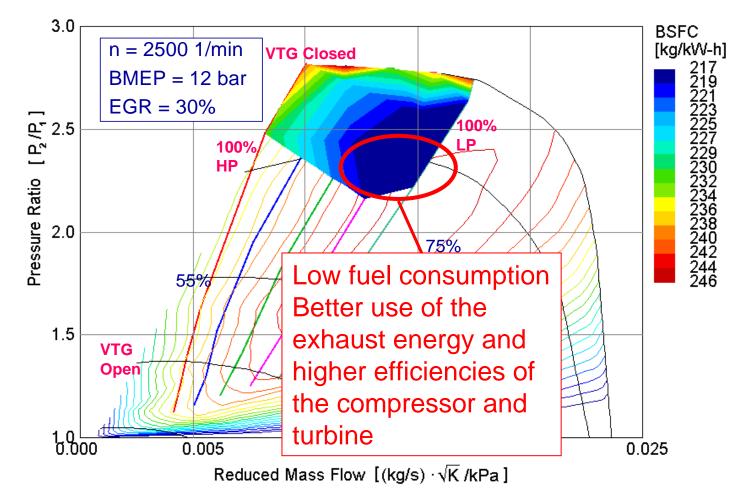
- A Dual Loop EGR System offers significant advantages to reduce emissions and fuel consumption and can meet future emission requirements
 - Mostly due to improved turbocharger operating efficiency
 - Charge Air Temperature Reduced
 - Up to 4% improvement in BSFC in steady state
 - More EGR can be driven without performance sacrifice
- Dynamic engine performance can be improved with a dual loop EGR system
- Transient controls need to be developed and improved (focus of today's presentation)

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Thermodynamic Analysis HP&LP Loop

Specific fuel consumption at different HP/LP-EGR-splits





Development Process

Modeling of Production Baseline

- Full GT-Power Model
- Real time capable mean value model (MVM)
- Development of controller in Simulink
- Controller Verification and calibration with GT-Power MVM in Simulink
- Dynamometer testing and final calibration using same Simulink code
- Verification on Dyno simulating NEDC Cycle



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Previous Controller Options

Separate EGR and Boost Controllers

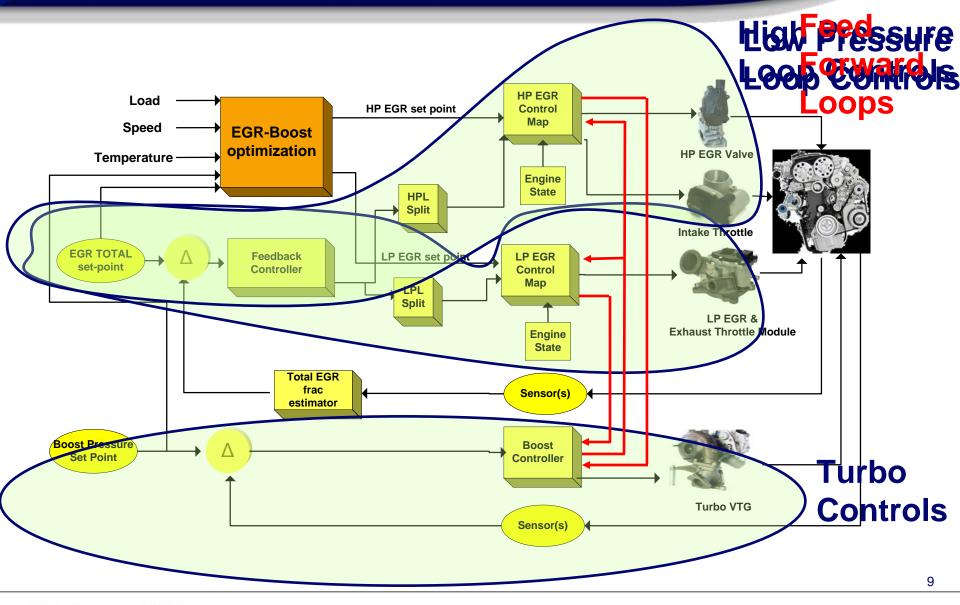
 Stability achieved by maintaining open loop or slow dynamic controls

Decoupled EGR and Boost Controllers

- Loop interference reduced but slow response and overshoots still an issue
- In both cases, NOx and PM control compromised during transients



Air Controller System Architecture



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BW Coordinated Controller Features

- Negative coupling is eliminated and positive coordination is added to improve response and control
 - Dual Loops and VTG help each other to achieve higher efficiency
- Static EGR Estimation Improvement
 - Achieves requested EGR rate more accurately
- EGR Boost Optimization Block
 - Determines EGR loop split
 - Calculated dynamically for best efficiency
- Utilization of EGR path which is most capable and efficient of achieving the set-point
 - statically (actuator saturation (virtual or actual))
 - dynamically (slower loop dynamics)
- Improved Dynamic Control
 - Coordinated EGR and boost system to adjust on the fly with closed loop control



Coordinated Controller Results

Static EGR Estimation Improvement

Better fuel economy achieved at same NOx level

EGR Boost Optimization Block

 Fuel economy improved by higher Turbo Efficiency and lower NOx achieved by increasing EGR

Dynamic feedback control of EGR mass flow, both EGR loops and VTG

Improved Dynamic Control

- Decoupling of VTG and EGR allows control of each during transients
- Less NOx and PM spikes

Easy to implement in production ECU

- Low memory and CPU usage
- No extra I/O

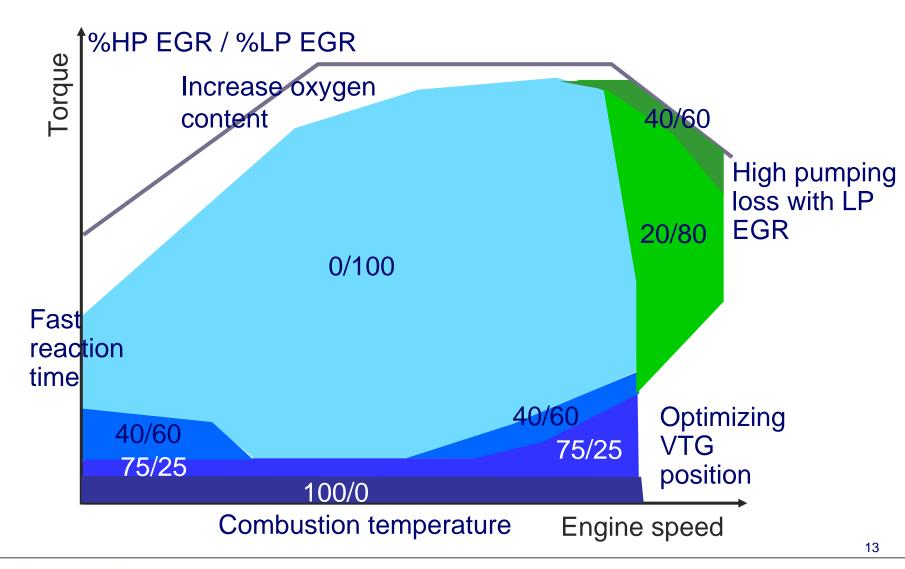


HPL/LPL Split Strategy

- Maximize Efficiency of Turbocharger
- Minimize pumping losses
- Improve dynamic Performance
- Control Charge air temperature
- Minimize Condensation in LPL

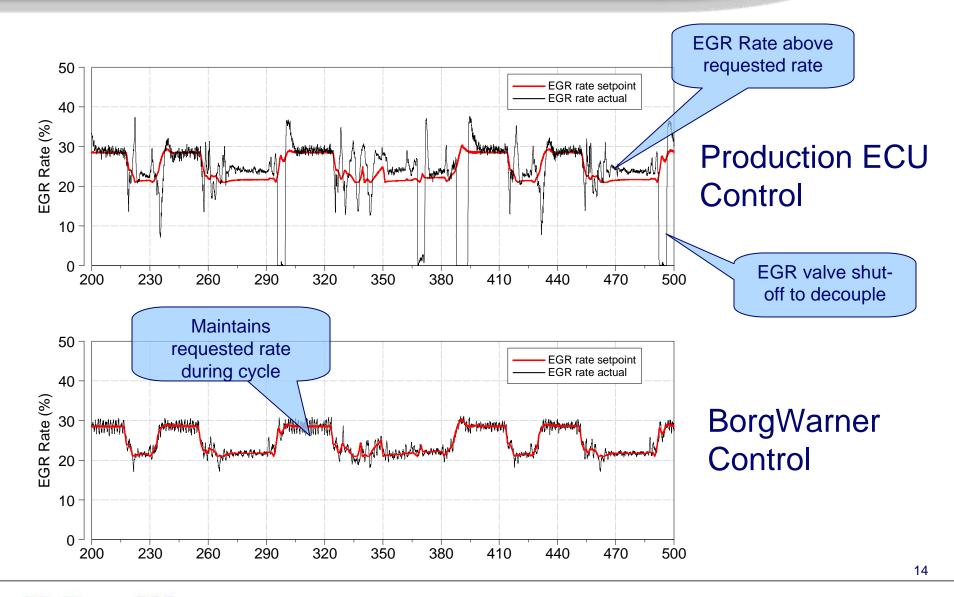


LP / HP EGR Split Strategy Steady State Map





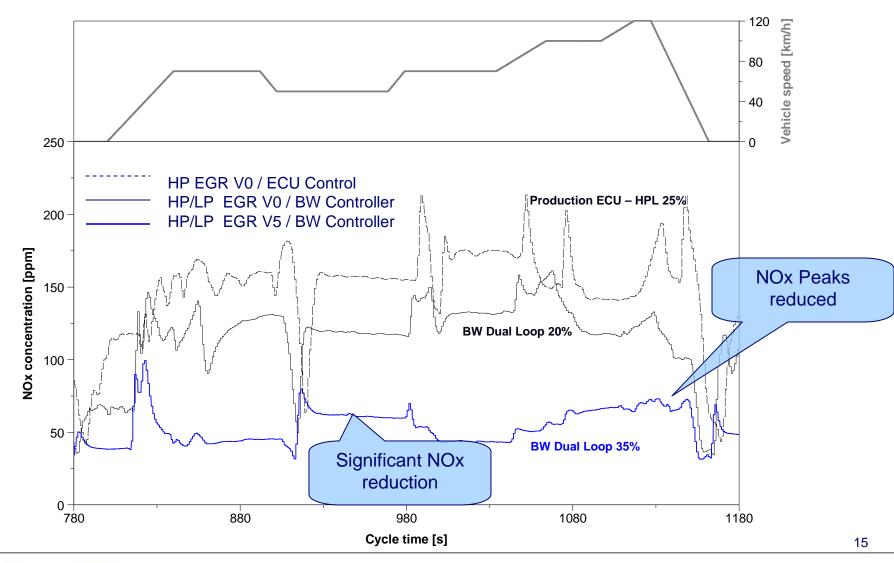
Static and Dynamic Improvements – Relative to Baseline



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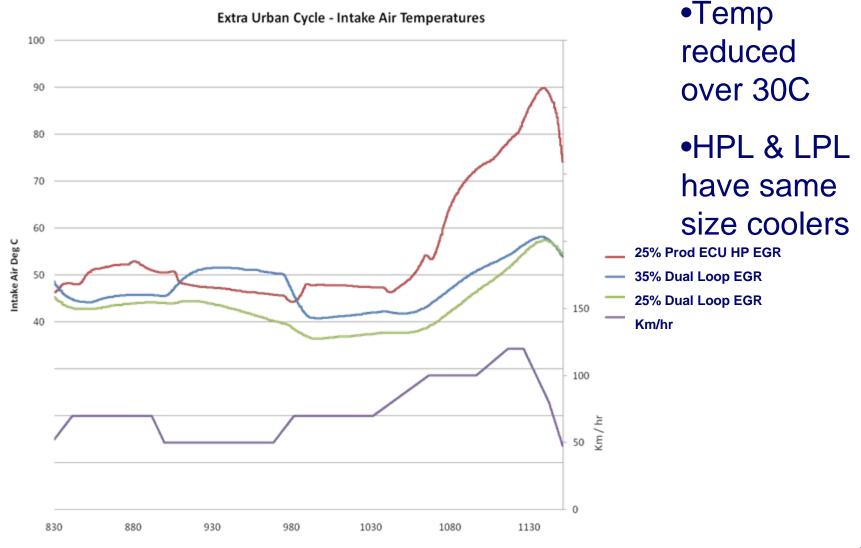
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EUD Cycle - On Engine NO_x Control





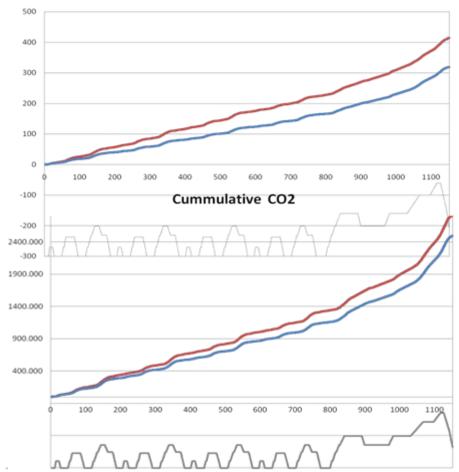
Charge temperatures reduced with dual Loop EGR



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Cumulative NOx and CO2 on NEDC Test

Production ECU Control HPL vs. BW Control Dual Loop EGR

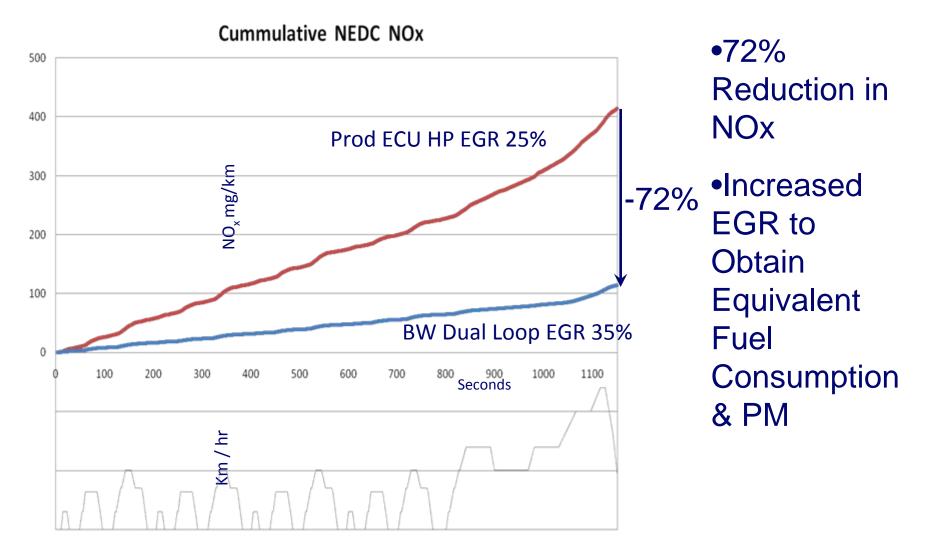


Cummulative NEDC NOx

- 24% Reduction in NOx
- Constant PM
- 6% less fuel consumption
- BW Dual Loop EGR 20%
- Prod ECU HP EGR 25%



Increased EGR rate to Maximize NOx Reduction Production ECU vs BorgWarner Coordinated Controls



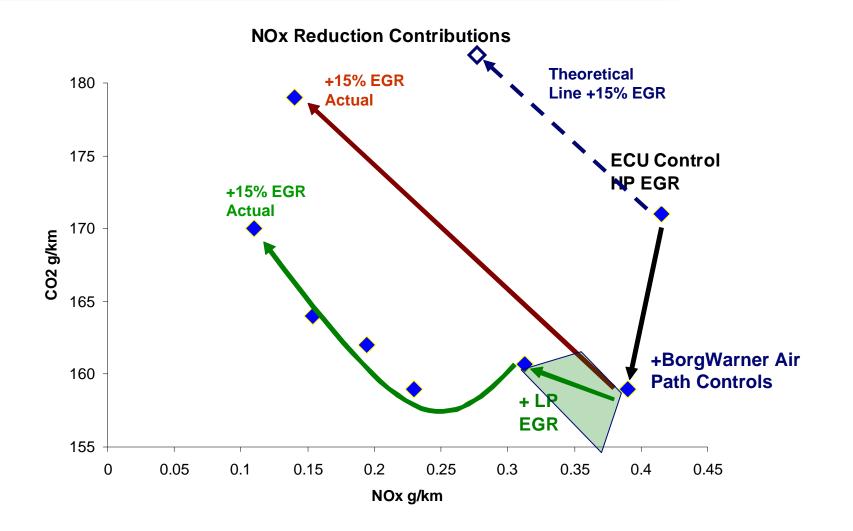
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System Summary

System	EGR System	Fuel Consumption reduction (%)	NOx Reduction (%)
Baseline	High Pressure loop w/ cooler 25%	NA	NA
BorgWarner coordinated controls	High Pressure loop w/ cooler 20%	8	0
BorgWarner coordinated controls	Dual Loop EGR w/ coolers 20%	6	24
BorgWarner coordinated controls w/ increased EGR	Dual Loop EGR w/ coolers 35%	0	72

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Summary Map: CO2 vs NOx Relative Contributions to Emissions Reduction



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Conclusions

- Dual Loop EGR offers significant advantages to reduce emissions and fuel consumption to meet future emission requirements
- A coordinated control system has been developed to optimize the EGR and air boost system
 - Significantly reduces fuel consumption and / or NOx
 - Improves dynamic performance of turbocharger
- Potential for NOx aftertreatment system cost reduction
- Future work includes two stage boosting systems together with dual loop EGR allows further enhanced performance while utilizing down speeding to achieve CO2 targets.



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