

Super Truck Program: Engine Project Review

Recovery Act – Class 8 Truck Freight Efficiency Improvement Project

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Timeline

- Project start: April 2010
- Project end: March 2015
- Percent complete: 20%

Budget

- Total project: \$79,119,736
 - DOE: \$39,559,868
 - Daimler: \$39,559,868
- Budget is split between engine and vehicle projects (DDC & DTNA)
- **2010 engine budget \$5,126,628**
 - **DOE: \$2,563,314**
 - **Detroit Diesel: \$2,563,314**

Barriers

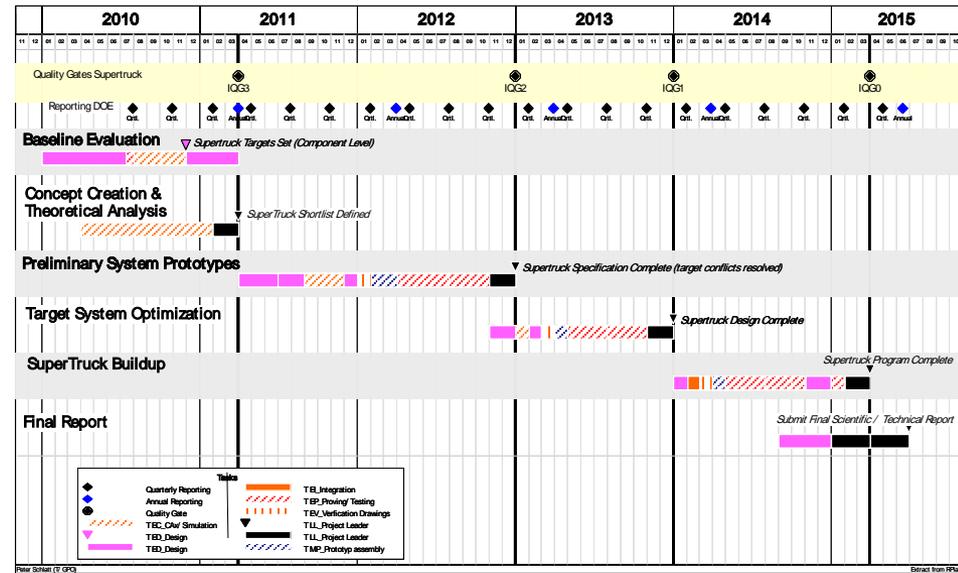
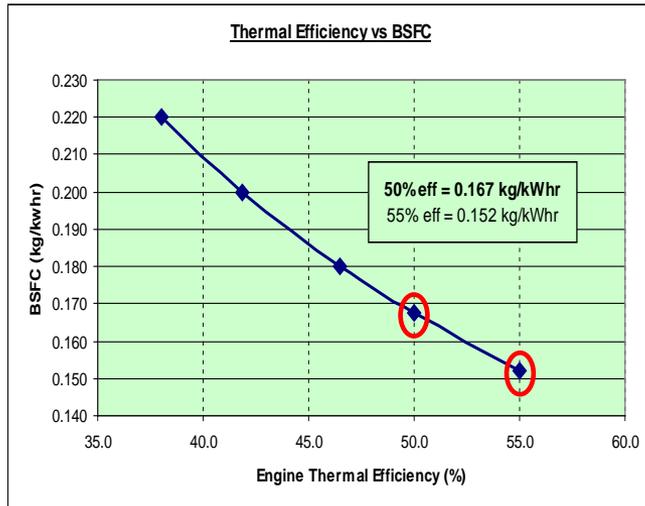
- Rankine engine has significant technical hurdles

Partners

- Department of Energy
- Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Atkinson LLC
- Daimler Trucks North America
- Daimler Advanced Engineering

Program Objective

- Super Truck (ST) program goal: 50% improvement in freight efficiency
 - Measured in ton-miles/gallon over typical heavy truck drive cycle
 - Baseline is production 2009 Cascadia with DD15 Engine
- Super Truck engine goal: 50% brake thermal efficiency at a condition representative of over the road operation
 - Base engine – 47%
 - Parasitic reduction – 48%
 - Waste heat recovery – 50%



Super Truck Program: 8 Cross-Functional Workstreams



Engine Down Sizing

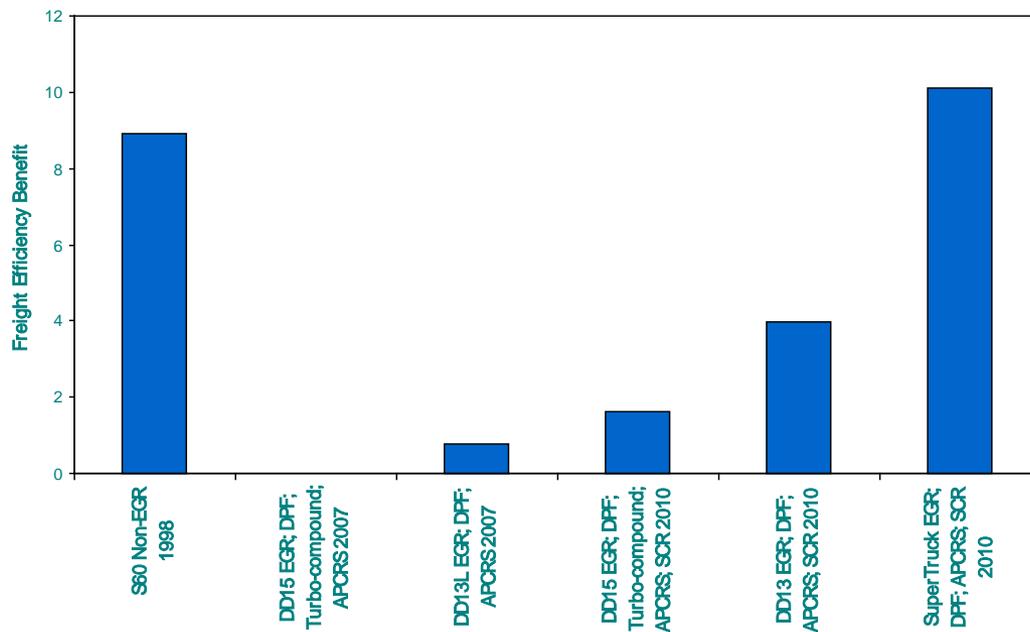
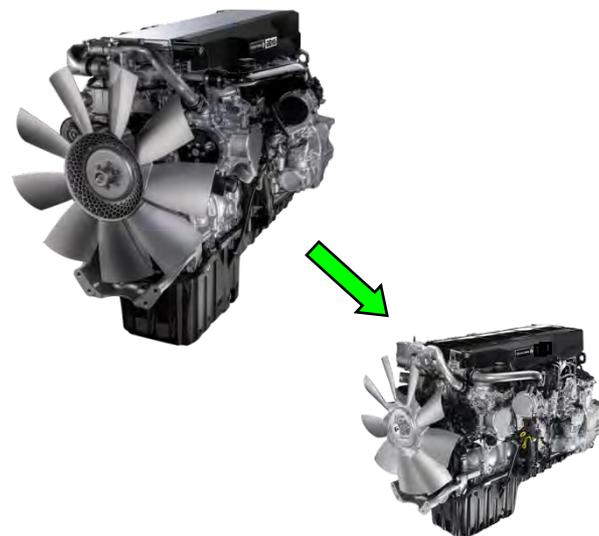
In the early 1990's, 11-13L engines dominated

Today, 13-15L engines dominate

- Some reasons technical, some user based

Where is engine size headed?

- Drivability
- CO2/fuel economy
- Weight
- Cost
- Hybrids

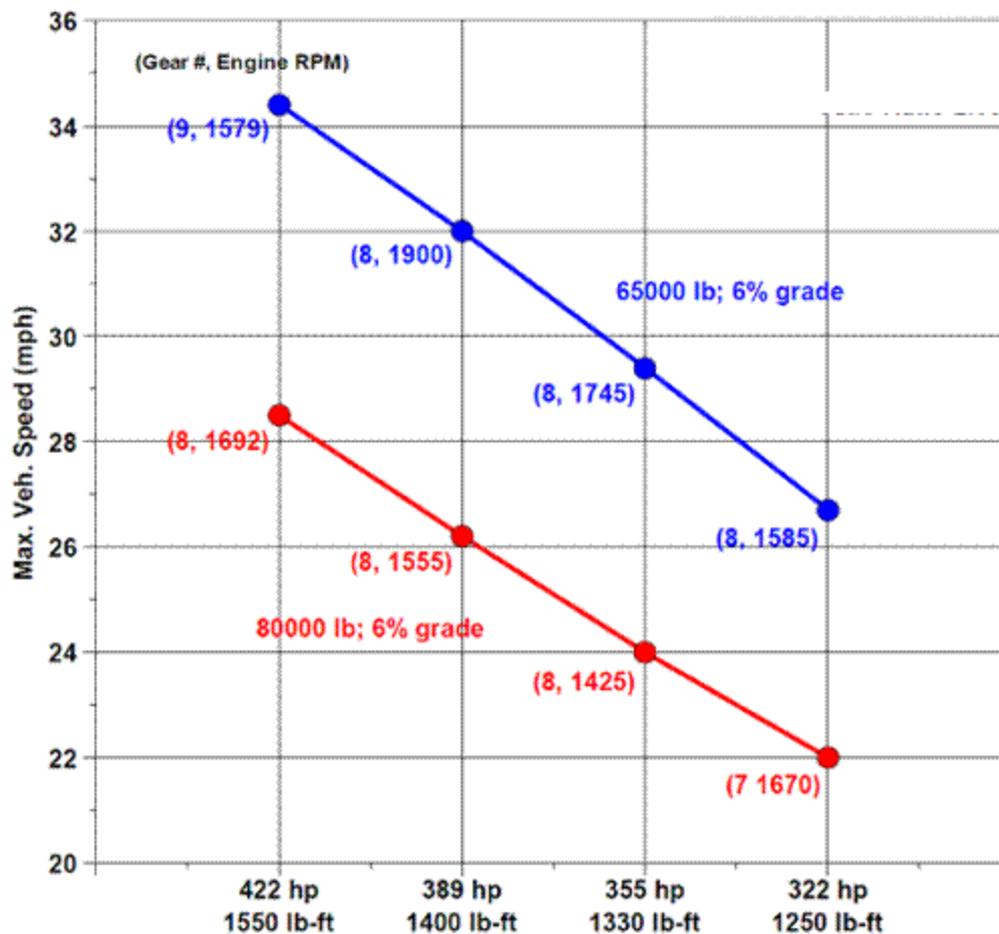


Horsepower Rating and Operating Speed Analysis

Drivability studies have been performed.

Over the past 20 years, engine ratings have drifted higher, resulting in higher speeds on hills, fewer shifts and increased driver satisfaction. Downside is fuel economy.

Balancing driver satisfaction vs. fuel economy is an interesting challenge.

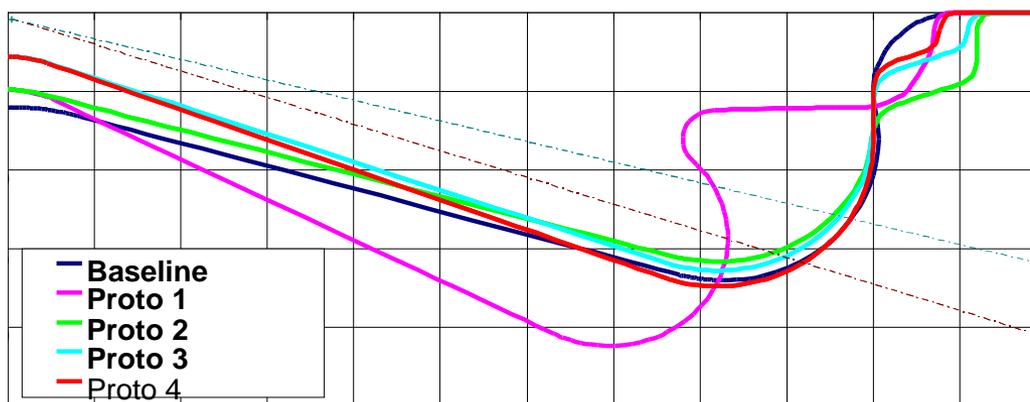


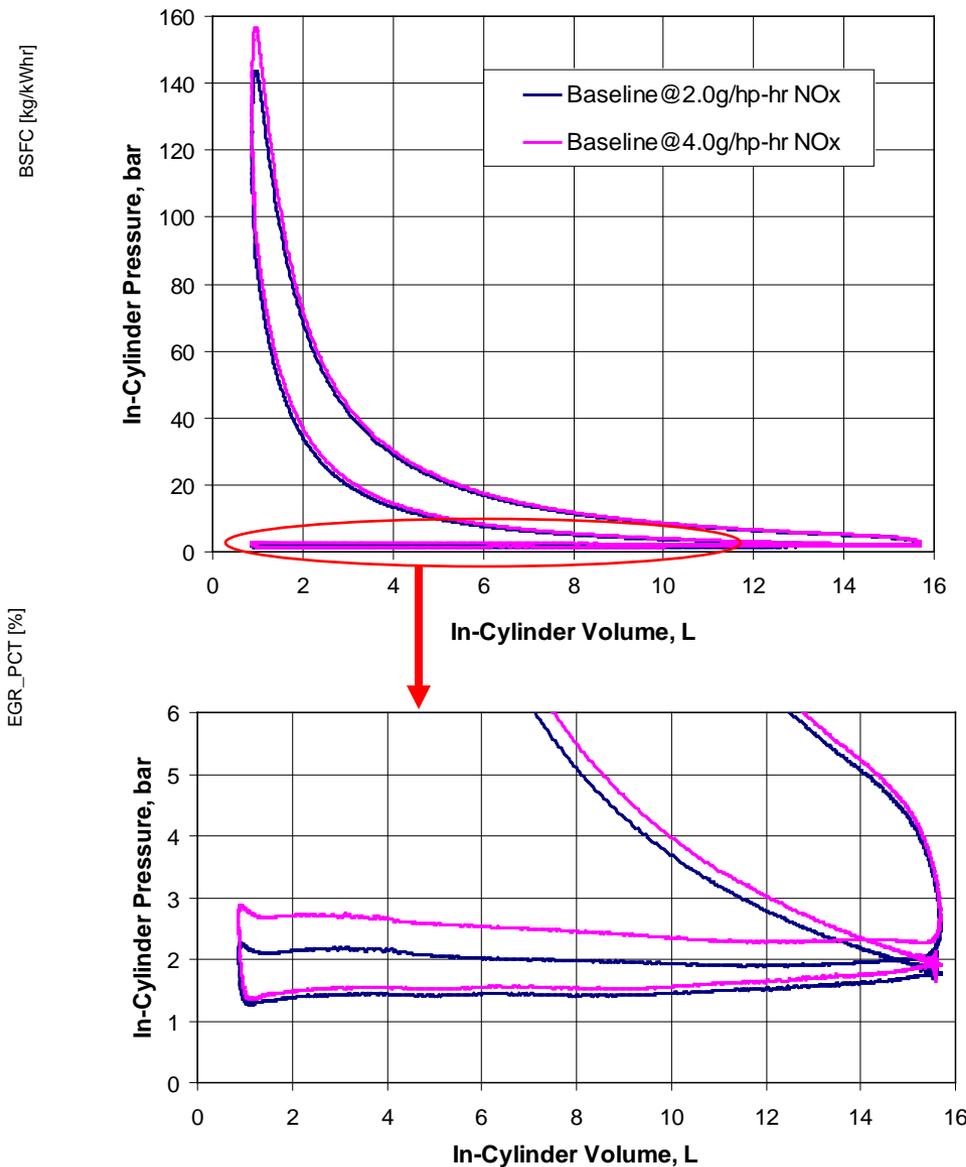
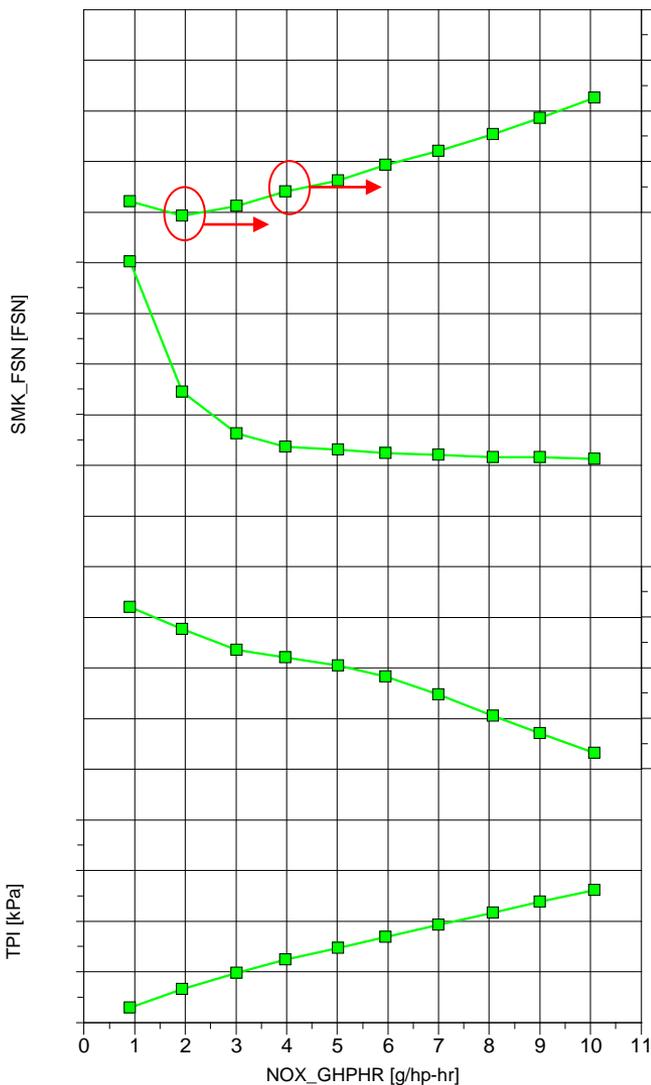
Combustion System Update

Objective: Evaluate 2-step piston bowl; showed improved bsfc on single cylinder.

Results varied for the different bowl shapes, but baseline bowl bsfc remained competitive. However, significant (>30%) reductions in engine smoke levels were seen with 2-step bowl.

Follow-on activity: heads with higher swirl level are being procured as this is expected to be an important factor in effecting 2-step bowl bsfc based on single cylinder testing.

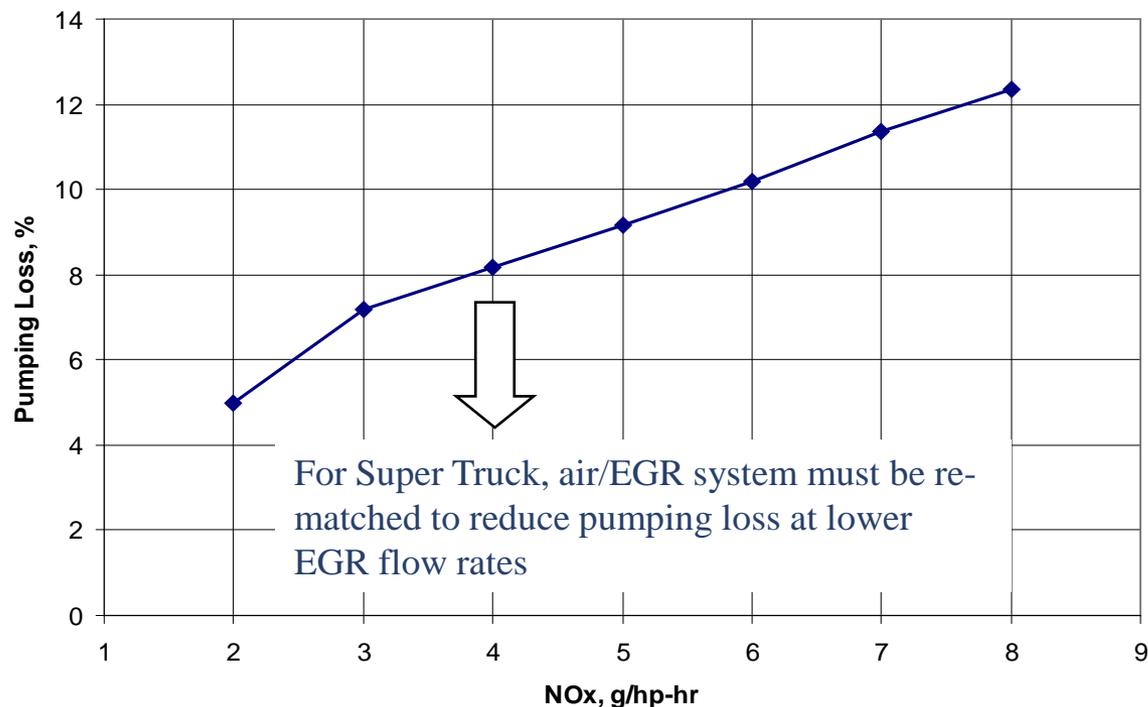




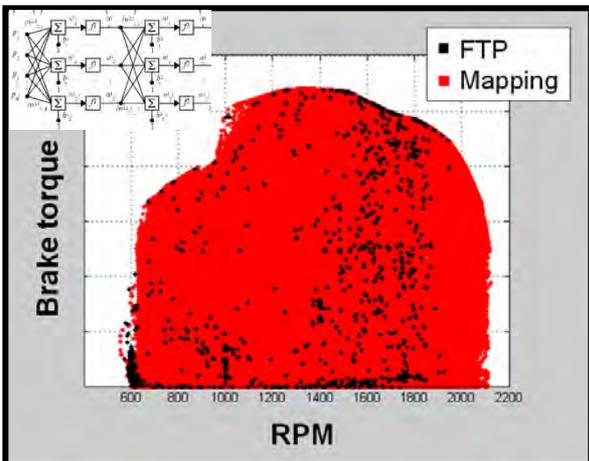
Pumping Loss vs. NOx

Simulation shows higher bsfc with today's air system at increased NOx levels

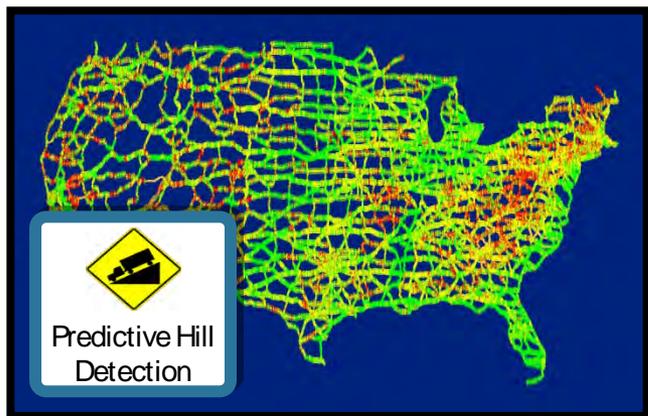
- Also shows significant bsfc improvement with air system re-matched for lower EGR rates at higher NOx



Super Truck Engine Controls – Objectives

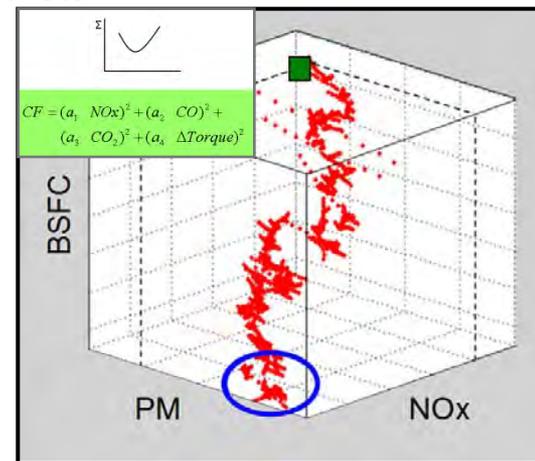


Extensive engine mapping is used in neural network model training

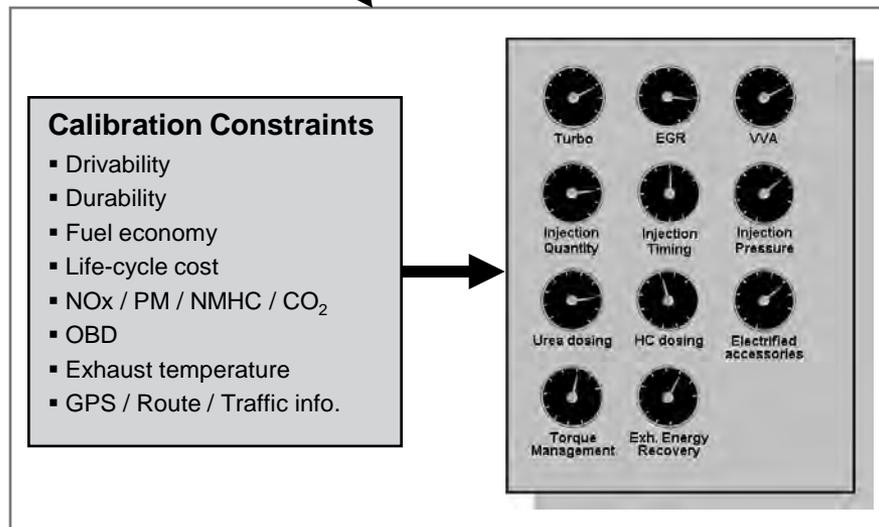


Predictive route information enables enhanced use of engine optimization.

- Develop a **predictive** engine controller
- Include a fuel efficiency optimizer
- Integrate predictive vehicle information
- Reduce calibration complexity



Emissions & fuel economy models enable on-board BSFC optimization



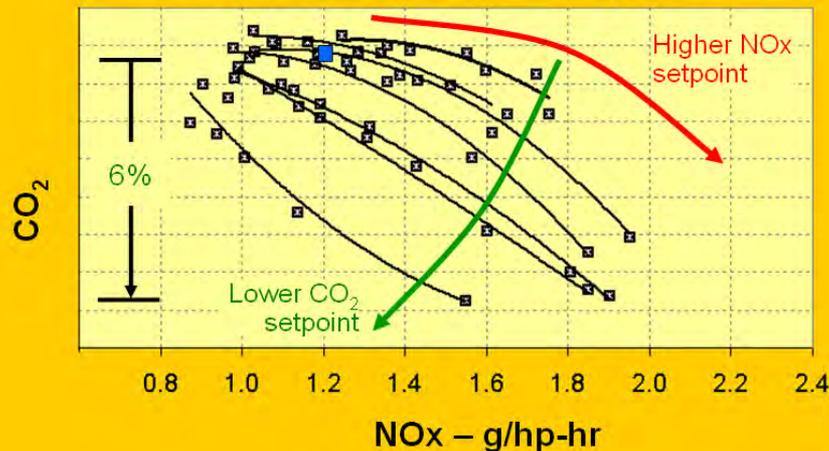
Super Truck Engine Controls – Test Results

Implemented controller logic on engine in transient test cell



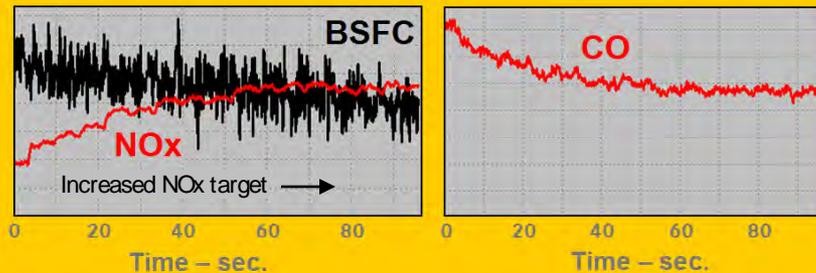
Transient Results (Test Cell)

20-minute dynamometer cycles

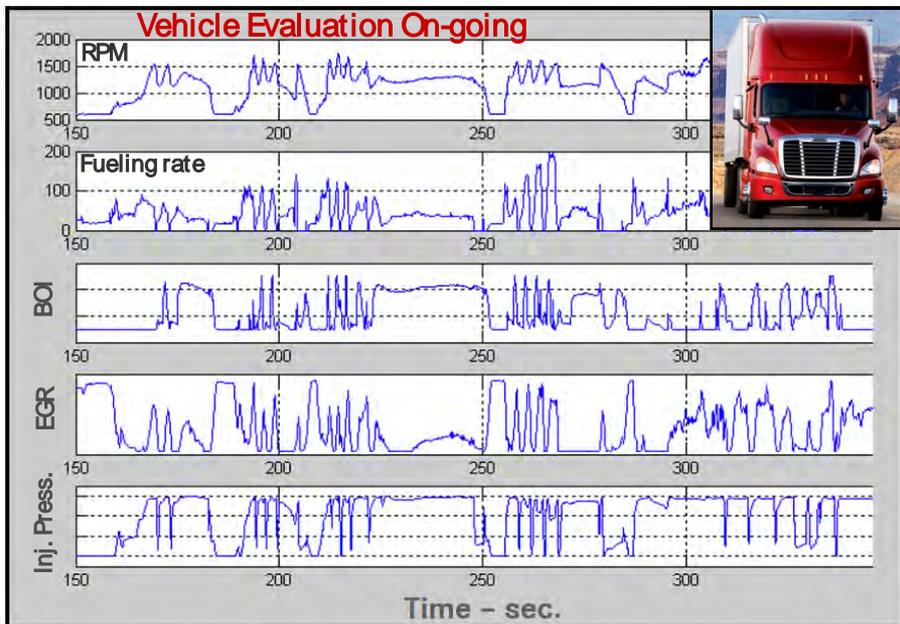


The controller provide significant CO₂ vs. NOx flexibility

Steady State Results (Test Cell)



Controller response under road load conditions (1500 RPM / 1500 N.m)



Preliminary tests completed on heavy duty truck

Parasitic Reduction: Targeting >4% bsfc Improvement

Multiple systems being optimized.

- Kit friction, overall engine friction, and accessory loads

Smarter use accessories and pumps

- Increased electronic control/optimization

2010 progress

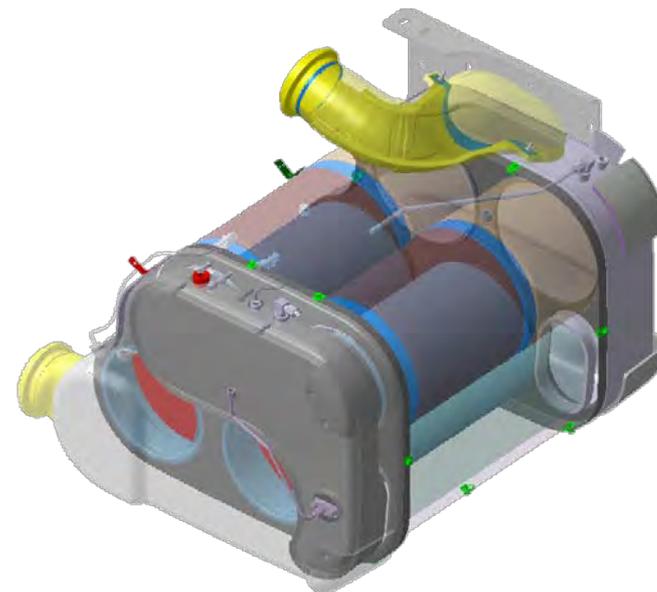
- 1.5% improvement demonstrated in test cell and on vehicle.
- Parts on order to allow demonstration of an additional 1.5% (anticipated) improvement.
- Feasibility evaluation underway for further improvements of >1%. Verifying risk to engine and required enabling technologies.
 - Partnered with Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)



Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Aftertreatment

- Aftertreatment program focused on next generation materials
 - Objective is lower dP for improved engine operating efficiency and improved DEF-SCR efficiency to allow for higher engine out NO_x
 - New DOC material for reduced back pressure
 - New material DPF for lower back pressure while maintaining soot storage capability
 - New DEF-SCR with focus on higher NO_x conversion efficiency
- Sizing and design work complete
 - Part procurement underway
 - Scheduled arrival at DDC: July 2011



Waste Heat Recovery

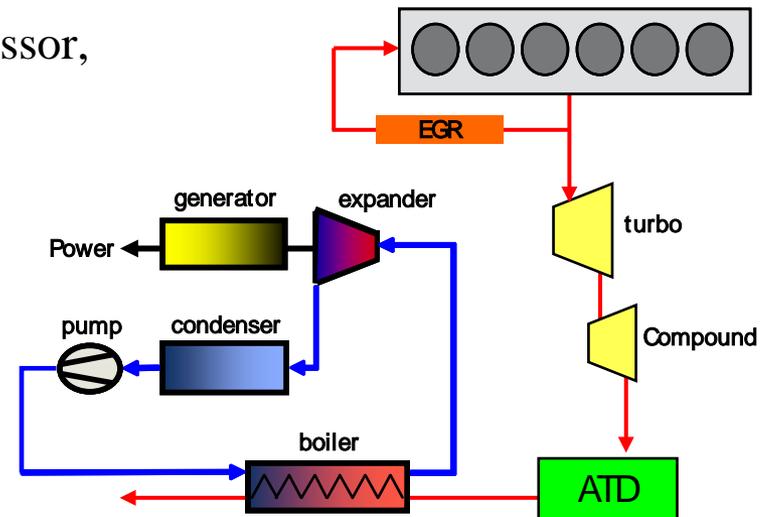
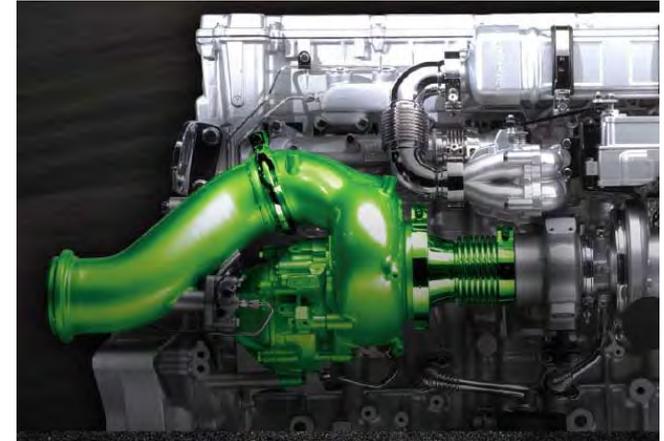
Approximately 55% of fuel energy is “waste heat”

Waste heat recovery

- Turbocompound – will be fitted to ST engine
- Rankine cycle – recover energy from EGR and/or exhaust gases
 - 5% BSFC improvement expected
 - Significant technical challenges
 - Heat exchangers, expander, compressor, packaging, engine integration, etc
- Status – system sizing and significant component level testing underway

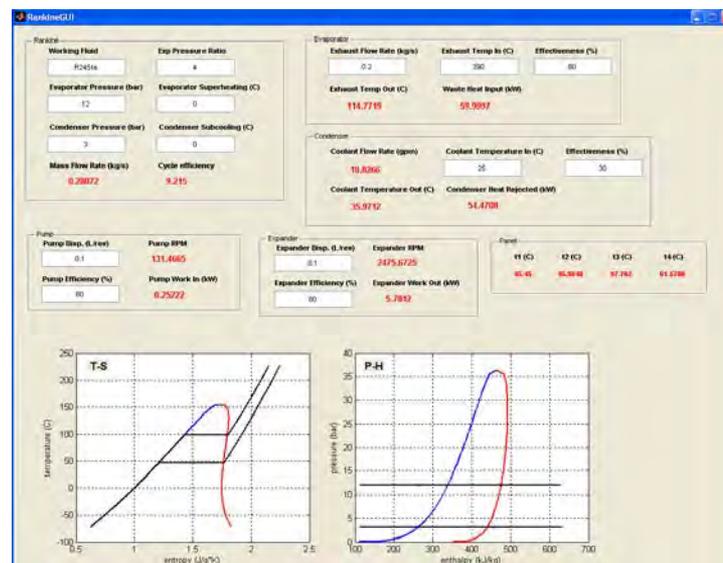
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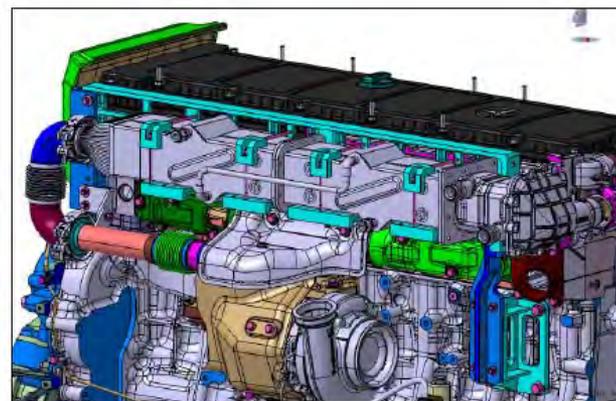
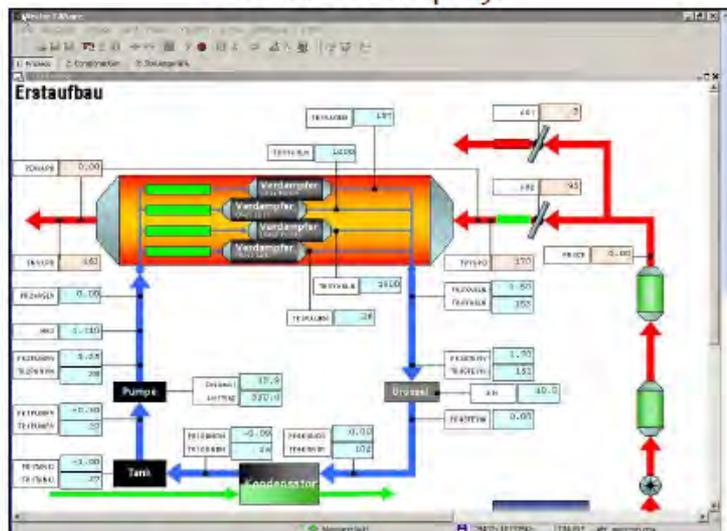


Simulation and Packaging

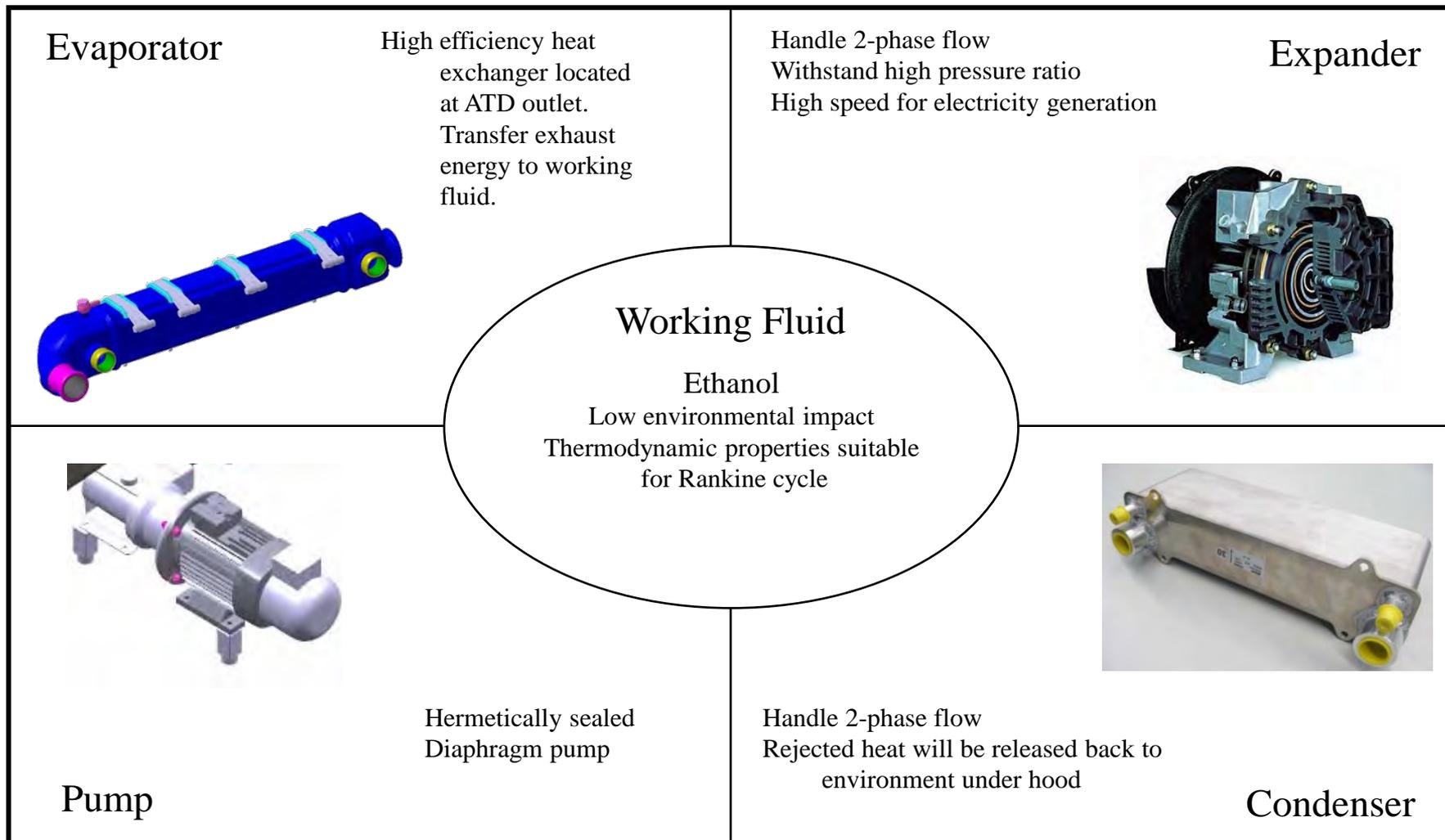
- Multiple simulation tools being used
 - Thermodynamic calculator to GT-Power
 - Being performed at ORNL and Detroit
- Component testing @ Daimler Research
- Packaging studies underway



Test bench display

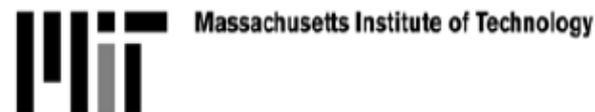


Rankine Major Components



Collaboration and Support

- **Department of Energy Head Quarters**
 - Gurpreet Singh
 - Roland Gravel
- **National Energy Technology Laboratory**
 - Carl Maronde
- **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**
 - Waste heat recovery modeling and testing
- **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**
 - Low friction technologies
- **Atkinson LLC**
 - Advanced engine controls



Summary and Future Work



- First year of Super Truck program complete
- Engine displacement and rating have been selected
- Base engine performance:
 - 2-step piston bowl showed significant smoke improvement, but at slight expense of bsfc. Higher swirl heads being investigated.
 - BSFC benefit of higher engine out NO_x is feasible with re-matched air system
- Over 1% bsfc already demonstrated via reduced parasitics with more on the way
 - Partnered with MIT for studies into new oils, additives, and material coatings.
- Next generation engine optimizing controller functioning well in lab and (limited) vehicle tests
- Aftertreatment system re-design complete and prototypes due in July 2011
- Waste heat recovery system being extensively modeled, component level testing underway, and system procurement to begin in summer 2011.