



Energy Equilibrium of Diesel Engine IVECO F1C

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Abstract

The purpose of this technical report is to study an internal combustion engine (I.C.E.). More specifically, the energy balance of a Diesel car engine was examined. The technical report includes the description of the laboratory exercise, the experiment's setup, information about the engine under study, the data collected from measurements at the Laboratory of Applied Thermodynamics (L.A.T.), the necessary calculations and the rationale behind them, as well as the requested graphs, the obtained results, comments, and finally, the study's conclusions. The responsible professors are Zisis Samaras, Dimitrios Kolokotronis, and Dimitrios Christoforidis.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Summary of laboratory exercise

At the beginning, the engine, its structure and the cooling system were presented. Subsequently, with the assistance of the laboratory personnel, measurements were conducted for four different operating points. Measurements were taken for air and fuel quantities, as well as ambient and exhaust temperatures. Pollutant quantities such as NO_X and SOOT were also monitored, along with the oxygen percentage for various combinations of engine's rotational speed and torque.

The requirements of the exercise for each operating point are:

- 1. The coolant flow rate.
- 2. The energy balance and the percentages of energy for each term in the equilibrium.
- 3. The specific fuel consumption and its relationship to efficiency.
- 4. The air-fuel equivalence ratio.
- 5. The specific emissions of NO_X and SOOT.

1.2 Engine information

The engine under examination is a 4-stroke, 4-cylinder diesel, liquid-cooled, turbocharged direct injection (TDI) engine with air-to-air intercooling and a common rail injection system. It also complies with Euro 6 emission standards. The characteristics of the engine, as well as the engine itself, are shown in Table 1.1 and Figure 1.1, respectively.

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Engine type	Diesel supercharged with direct injection				
Number of cylinders	4				
Displacement volume	2998 cm^3				
Cylinder diameter (bore)	95.8 mm				
Stroke	104 mm				
Stroke length	110 mm				
Compression rate	17.2				
Maximum power	110 kW @ 3500 rpm				
Maximum torque	300 Nm @ 1400-3500 rpm				
Fuel injection system	Common rail				

Table 1.1: IVECO F1C Specifications



Figure 1.1: IVECO F1C Diesel Engine

1.3 Data

The data for the exercise were obtained from tables of enthalpy for air and the theoretical combustion gas, as well as from supporting notes. This data can be found in Figures 1.2 and 1.3, respectively.

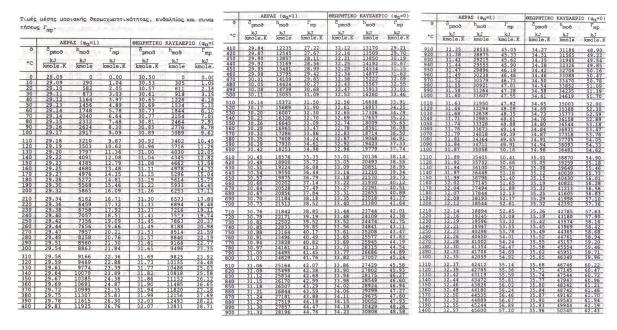


Figure 1.2: Enthalpy tables

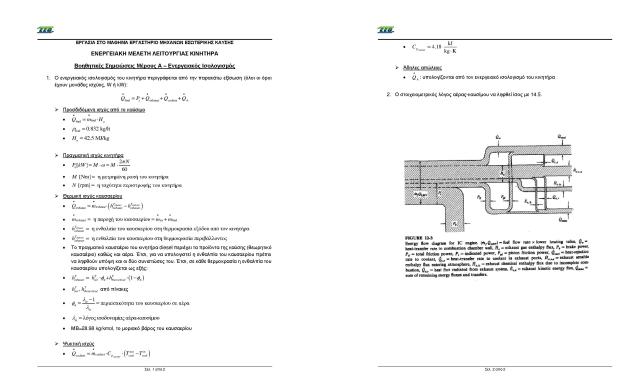


Figure 1.3: Notes

1.4 Measurements

The measurements were taken at four operating points: the first one at 2000 rpm and 120 Nm, the second one at 2000 rpm and 200 Nm, the third one at 2300 rpm and 80 Nm and the fourth one at 2300 rpm and 160 Nm. The measurements from **GROUP 12** which will be used for calculations, are shown in Table 1.2.

#	Speed	Torque	Throttle	T_{exh}	T_{air}	$T_{w,in}/T_{w,out}$	Airflow	INJ	NO_X	SOOT	O_2
-	rpm	Nm	%	°C	°C	°C	Kg/h	mg/str	ppm	mg/m^3	%
1	2000	120	41	387	23.4	83/84	133	26.7	70	30	6.1
2	2000	200	52.5	468	25.4	81/84	185	42.6	92	115	3.8
3	2300	80	33.7	321	25.4	83/84	142	18.5	94	26	9.3
4	2300	160	50.3	441	26.1	81/84	190	34.7	86	110	4.9

Table 1.2: GROUP 12 Measurements

Where:

- 1. T_{exh} Exhaust gas temperature
- 2. T_{air} Inlet air temperature
- 3. $T_{w,in}$ Coolant (water) inlet temperature
- 4. $T_{w,out}$ Coolant (water) outlet temperature
- 5. Airflow Mass flow rate of air at the intake for all four cylinders
- 6. INJ Fuel mass flow rate for one cylinder in one thermodynamic cycle

Chapter 2

Calculations

2.1 Question 1

For the calculations, an Excel spreadsheet was created and theory from the course's supporting notes was used (Figure 1.3).

In the first question, the mass flow rate of the coolant, which in this case is water, needs to be calculated. The flow can be calculated using the equation:

$$\dot{Q}_{coolant} = \dot{m}_{coolant} \cdot c_{p_{coolant}} \cdot (T_{coolant}^{out} - T_{coolant}^{in}) \quad (W)$$
 (2.1)

However, with the given assumption that the power of the coolant is 30% of the power of the fuel:

$$\dot{Q}_{coolant} = 30\% \cdot \dot{Q}_{fuel} \tag{2.2}$$

It is sufficient to find the power of the fuel. That is calculated as:

$$\dot{Q}_{fuel} = \dot{m}_{fuel} \cdot H_u \quad (W) \tag{2.3}$$

where:

- \dot{m}_{fuel} is the mass flow rate of the fuel
- H_u is the calorific value of the fuel, which is known and given as $H_u = 42.5 \, MJ/kg$

To calculate the fuel flow for each operating point, the measurements of INJ, which shows the mass flow rate of the fuel for 1 cylinder in 1 thermodynamic cycle, from Table 1.2 are used. Also, since the engine is 4-stroke, one thermodynamic cycle corresponds to 720° , which is equivalent to 2 rotations (1 stroke = 2 rotations). Therefore, for the 4 cylinders, it will be:

$$\begin{split} \dot{m}_{fuel} &= 4 \ cylinders \cdot INJ(\frac{mg}{stroke}) \cdot \frac{rotations}{min} <=> \\ \dot{m}_{fuel} &= 4 \ cylinders \cdot INJ \cdot \frac{mg}{2 \ rotations} \cdot \frac{rotations}{min} <=> \\ \dot{m}_{fuel} &= 4 \ cylinders \cdot INJ \cdot \frac{rpm}{2} \cdot \frac{10^{-6} kg}{60 \ seconds} <=> \\ \dot{m}_{fuel} &= \frac{INJ \cdot rpm}{30000000} \quad (kg/s) \end{split}$$

Thus, by using Equation 2.4, the fuel mass flow rates for each operating point are calculated through the spreadsheet and shown in Table 2.1.

#	INJ	\dot{m}_{fuel}
-	mg/str	kg/s
1	26.7	0.00178
2	42.6	0.00284
3	18.5	0.001418333
4	34.7	0.002660333

Table 2.1: Fuel mass flow rates for each operating point

Once the fuel mass flow rates are known, the power of the fuel can be calculated from Equation 2.3 using the known $H_u=42500000\ J/kg$. Through these values, the power of the coolant is also calculated using Equation 2.2. Finally, the **mass flow rate of the coolant** is calculated with the known specific heat capacity of the coolant (water) $c_{p_{coolant}}=4180\ J/kg\cdot K$ and a rearrangement of Equation 2.1 as follows:

$$\dot{m}_{coolant} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{coolant}}{c_{p_{coolant}} \cdot (T_{coolant}^{out} - T_{coolant}^{in})} \quad (kg/s)$$

Using the values of $T_{coolant}^{out}$ ($T_{w,in}$) and $T_{coolant}^{in}$ ($T_{w,out}$) for each operating point from Table 1.2, these values are calculated through the spreadsheet and shown in Table 2.2.

#	\dot{m}_{fuel}	\dot{Q}_{fuel}	$\dot{Q}_{coolant}$	$\dot{m}_{coolant}$
-	kg/s	W	W	kg/s
1	0.00178	75650	22695	5.43
2	0.00284	120700	36210	2.89
3	0.001418333	60279.17	18083.75	4.33
4	0.002660333	113064.17	33919.25	2.70

Table 2.2: Coolant mass flow rates for each operating point

The values of the coolant mass flow rates are also shown in a diagram for constant rotational speed of the engine in Figure 2.1. It can be observed that for a **constant** number of revolutions N and as the engine torque M **increases**, the mass flow rate of the coolant \dot{m}_{fuel} **decreases**.

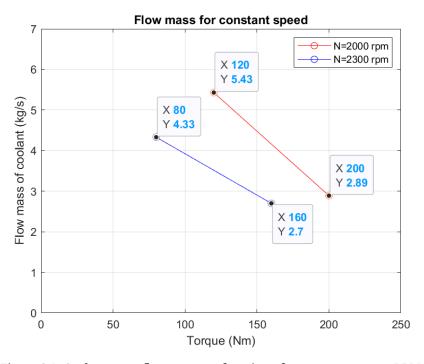


Figure 2.1: Coolant mass flow rate as a function of torque at constant RPM.

2.2 Question 2

The second question concerns the energy balance of the engine and the percentages of energy distribution for each term. The energy balance of the engine is described by the following equation:

$$\dot{Q}_{fuel} = P_e + \dot{Q}_{exhaust} + \dot{Q}_{coolant} + \dot{Q}_A \tag{2.5}$$

where:

- P_e is the engine's true power.
- \dot{Q}_A represents the unaccounted losses.
- $\dot{Q}_{exhaust}$ stands for the thermal power of the exhaust gas.

The power of the fuel \dot{Q}_{fuel} and the coolant $\dot{Q}_{coolant}$ are shown in Table 2.2. Therefore, only the engine power, thermal power and unaccounted losses need to be calculated. P_e is calculated as follows:

$$\begin{split} P_e &= M \cdot \omega <=> \\ P_e &= M \cdot \frac{2\pi \cdot N}{60} \quad (W) \end{split}$$

With known values of torque M(Nm) and speed N(rpm), the values of $P_e(W)$ are derived for each of the four operating points in Table 2.3.

#	N	M	P_e
-	rpm	Nm	W
1	2000	120	25132.74
2	2000	200	41887.90
3	2300	80	19268.43
4	2300	160	38536.87

Table 2.3: Actual engine power at operating points

To calculate $\dot{Q}_{exhaust}$, the following equation is used:

$$\dot{Q}_{exhaust} = \dot{m}_{exhaust} \cdot (h_{exhaust}^{T_{exhaust}} - h_{exhaust}^{T_{ambient}}) \quad (W)$$
 (2.6)

where:

- $\dot{m}_{exhaust}$ is the mass flow rate of the exhaust gas.
- $h_{exhaust}^{T_{exhaust}}$ is the enthalpy of the exhaust gas at the exit temperature from the engine.
- $h_{exhaust}^{T_{ambient}}$ is the enthalpy of the exhaust gas at ambient temperature.

The conservation of mass applies and therefore:

$$\dot{m}_{exhaust} = \dot{m}_{air} + \dot{m}_{fuel} \tag{2.7}$$

The mass flow rate of fuel has been calculated in Table 2.1 and the mass flow rate of air is obtained from the experimental measurements per hour (Airflow) in Table 1.2. Therefore, from equation 2.7, the mass flow rate of the exhaust gas is calculated after converting Airflow from kg/h to kg/s, as shown in Table 2.4.

The enthalpy of the exhaust gas is calculated each time using the enthalpy of theoretical fuel and air as follows:

$$h_{exhaust}^{T} = h_{air}^{T} \cdot \phi_{\alpha} + h_{theoretical}^{T} \cdot (1 - \phi_{\alpha})$$
 (2.8)

Here, the enthalpies of air and theoretical fuel are given by the enthalpy tables (Figure 1.2) for various temperature values. The temperatures of interest are $T_{exhaust}$ and T_{air} from Table 1.2. Using linear interpolation between the values of $380-390^{\circ}C$ and $20-30^{\circ}C$, the values of $h_{air}^{T_{exhaust}}$, $h_{theoretical}^{T_{exhaust}}$, and $h_{theoretical}^{T_{ambient}}$, and $h_{theoretical}^{T_{ambient}}$ are obtained. The rest of the enthalpies are similarly calculated. These values are shown in Table 2.5.

#	Airflow	\dot{m}_{fuel}	$\dot{m}_{exhaust}$
-	kg/s	kg/s	kg/s
1	0.036944444	0.00178	0.038724444
2	0.051388889	0.00284	0.054228889
3	0.039444444	0.001418333	0.040862778
4	0.052777778	0.002660333	0.055438111

Table 2.4: Mass flow rate values for each operating point

#	$h_{air}^{T_{ambient}}$	$h_{air}^{T_{exhaust}}$	$h_{theoretical}^{T_{ambient}}$	$h_{theoretical}^{T_{exhaust}}$
-	kJ/kmole	kJ/kmole	kJ/kmole	kJ/kmole
1	680.94	11522.6	715.38	12391.9
2	747.87	14046.2	785.99	15153
3	747.87	9499.5	785.99	10188.1
4	759.51	13200.2	798.27	14226.2

Table 2.5: Enthalpies of air and theoretical fuel at temperatures of interest

Next, the air-to-fuel ratio is calculated for each operating point as follows:

$$\lambda_{\alpha} = \frac{\dot{m}_{air}}{\dot{m}_{fuel}}$$

From these values, the air content of the fuel is determined as:

$$\phi_{\alpha} = \frac{\lambda_{\alpha} - 1}{\lambda_{\alpha}}$$

With the known molecular weight of the fuel, which is $MB = 28.98 \, kg/kmole$ and simple division by the values in Table 2.5, the required enthalpies $\boldsymbol{h}_{exhaust}^{T_{ambient}}$ and $\boldsymbol{h}_{exhaust}^{T_{exhaust}}$ in $\boldsymbol{kJ/kg}$ are calculated using equation 2.8. These values are summarized in Table 2.6.

#	λ_{lpha}	ϕ_{lpha}	$h_{exhaust}^{T_{ambient}}$	$h_{exhaust}^{T_{exhaust}}$
-	-	-	kJ/kg	kJ/kg
1	20.75530587	0.951819549	399.0504923	23.55415234
2	18.09467919	0.944735135	486.7966581	25.87911307
3	27.81041911	0.964042254	328.6494308	25.85371668
4	19.83878378	0.949593684	457.2780152	26.27549168

Table 2.6: Combustion gas enthalpies, air-fuel ratio and air content of the fuel

From the values of the exhaust gas enthalpies (Table 2.6), the mass flow rate of exhaust gas (Table 2.4) and equation 2.6, the **exhaust gas power** is calculated in kJ/s. Multiplying by 1000 the values are converted in J/s = Watts. These values are shown in Table 2.7.

#	$\dot{Q}_{exhaust}$
-	W
1	14540.89
2	24995.05
3	12373.07
4	23893.97

Table 2.7: Exhaust gas power at operating points

Now, from equation 2.5, the **latent power** \dot{Q}_A can be calculated since all the other terms are known. All the values of the terms in the energy balance, as well as the % of the provided energy for each operating point, are given in Table 2.8.

#	$\dot{Q}_{exhaust}$		$\dot{Q}_{coolant}$	t	P_e		\dot{Q}_A		\dot{Q}_{fuel}	
-	W	%	W	%	W	%	W	%	W	%
1	14540.89	19.22	22695	30	25132.74	33.22	13281.37	17.56	75650	100
2	24995.05	20.71	36210	30	41887.90	34.70	17607.05	14.59	120700	100
3	12373.07	20.53	18083.75	30	19268.43	31.97	10553.91	17.51	60279.17	100
4	23893.97	21.13	33919.25	30	38536.87	34.08	16714.08	14.78	113064.17	100

Table 2.8: Engine energy balance

In Figure 2.2, the energy balance of the engine for various torque values for constant speed N is shown.

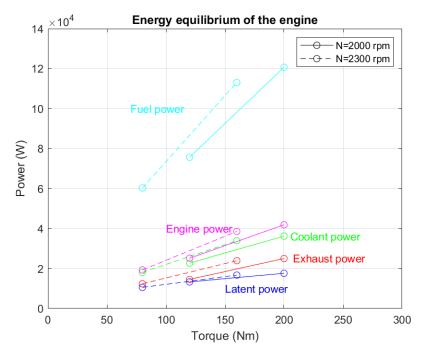


Figure 2.2: Engine energy equilibrium

It is observed that for **constant** speed N and as the torque M **increases**, the power values **also increase**.

2.3 Question 3

In question three, the specific fuel consumption (SFC) for each operating point is requested. Having gathered data from the previous questions, it is calculated as:

$$specific \ fuel \ consumption \ (SFC) = \frac{rate \ of \ fuel \ consumption}{energ \ y \ produced \ by \ the \ engine}$$

This translates to:

$$SFC = \frac{\dot{m}_{fuel}}{P_e} \quad (gr/kWh) \tag{2.9}$$

where \dot{m}_{fuel} is in gr/h and P_e is in kW. For these, it holds that:

$$\dot{m}_{fuel} (gr/h) = \dot{m}_{fuel} (kg/s) \cdot 3.6 \times 10^6 \quad \& \quad P_e (kW) = 1000 \cdot P_e (W)$$
 (2.10)

Also, for the efficiency, it holds that:

$$\eta = \frac{work\ done\ by\ the\ engine}{heat\ absorbed\ by\ the\ engine} <=>$$

$$\eta = \frac{P_e}{\dot{Q}_{fuel}}$$
 (2.11)

Therefore, the relationship between efficiency and specific fuel consumption can be easily derived as:

$$\eta = \frac{P_e}{\dot{Q}_{fuel}} <=>
\eta = \frac{P_e}{\dot{m}_{fuel} \cdot H_u} <=>
\eta = \frac{1}{SFC \cdot H_u}$$
(2.12)

The values of efficiency and specific fuel consumption are obtained from Tables 2.2 and 2.3, as well as from equations 2.9, 2.10, and 2.11 and are shown in Table 2.9:

#	\dot{m}_{fuel}	P_e	SFC	η	η
-	gr/h	kW	gr/kWh	-	%
1	6408	25.13	254.97	0.3322	33.22
2	10224	41.89	244.08	0.3470	34.70
3	5106	19.27	264.99	0.3197	31.97
4	9577.2	38.54	248.52	0.3408	34.08

Table 2.9: Specific fuel consumption and efficiency

In Figure 2.3, the specific fuel consumption and efficiency are shown as a function of engine torque for constant engine speed. It is observed that for **constant** engine speed N and as the torque M **increases**, the specific fuel consumption SFC **decreases**, while efficiency η slightly **increases**.

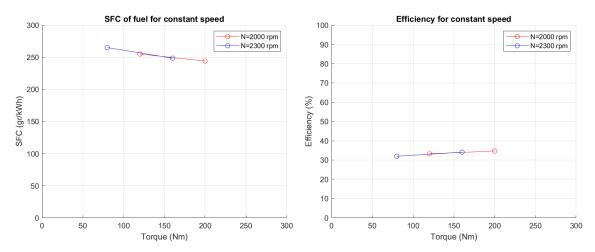


Figure 2.3: Specific fuel consumption and efficiency for constant RPM.

2.4 Question 4

In the fourth question, the air-fuel equivalence ratio (AFR) is requested for each operating point. This ratio is defined as:

$$AFR = \frac{\lambda_{real}}{\lambda_{stoich}} \tag{2.13}$$

Where λ_{stoich} is known and given as $\lambda_{stoich} = 14.5$, while $\lambda_{real} = \lambda_a$, which has been calculated and is presented in Table 2.6. Therefore, the values of *AFR* can be easily computed using equation 2.13. These values are provided in Table 2.10.

#	λ_a	AFR
-	-	-
1	20.7553	1.4314
2	18.0947	1.2479
3	27.8104	1.9180
4	19.8388	1.3682

Table 2.10: Air-Fuel Equivalence Ratio Values for Operating Points

In Figure 2.4, the values of the air-fuel equivalence ratio are plotted for the operating points. It is observed that for a **constant** engine speed N and as the torque M **increases**, the air-fuel equivalence ratio AFR **decreases**.

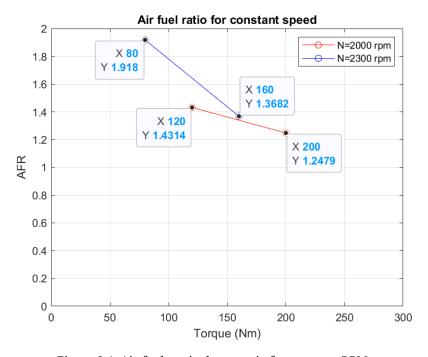


Figure 2.4: Air-fuel equivalence ratio for constant RPM.

2.5 Question 5

In the fifth and final question, the specific emissions of NO_x and SOOT are requested. Similar to the specific fuel consumption (Equation 2.9), specific emissions can be defined as follows:

$$SNO_{x}E = \frac{\dot{m}_{NO_{x}}}{P_{e}} \quad (mg/kWh)$$
 (2.14)

$$SSOOTE = \frac{\dot{m}_{SOOT}}{P_e} \quad (mg/kWh)$$
 (2.15)

To calculate these specific emissions, we need to first calculate the mass flows of pollutants. Based on the data in Table 1.2, we have the concentration of NO_X in parts per million (ppm). To convert this to mg/h, the following process is applied:

$$NOx (ppm) = \frac{n_{solute} (mol)}{n_{solution} (mol)} \times 10^{6} <=>$$

$$NOx (ppm) = \frac{\dot{n}_{solute} (mol/s)}{\dot{n}_{solution} (mol/s)} \times 10^{6} <=>$$

$$NOx (ppm) = \frac{\dot{n}_{NO_x} (mol/s)}{\dot{n}_{exhaust} (mol/s)} \times 10^{6} <=>$$

$$NOx (ppm) = \frac{\frac{\dot{m}_{NO_x} (kg/s)}{\dot{m}_{BNO_x} (kg/mol)}}{\frac{\dot{m}_{exhaust} (kg/s)}{\dot{m}_{Bexhaust} (kg/mol)}} \times 10^{6} <=>$$

$$\dot{m}_{NO_x} (kg/s) = \frac{\dot{m}_{exhaust} (kg/s) \cdot NO_x (ppm) \cdot MB_{NO_x} (kg/mol)}{MB_{exhaust} (kg/mol)} \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\dot{m}_{NO_x} (mg/h) = \dot{m}_{NO_x} (kg/s) \cdot 36 \times 10^{8}$$
(2.17)

Given the values of molecular weights, $MB_{NO_x} = 0.0460055kg/mol$ and $MB_{exhaust} = 0.02898kg/mol$, the values of the mass flow rate of NO_x can be calculated as shown in Table 2.11.

#	NO_X	\dot{m}_{NO_x}	\dot{m}_{NO_x}
-	ppm	$\times 10^{-6} kg/s$	mg/h
1	70	4.303	15491.63
2	92	7.920	28512.31
3	94	6.098	21951.77
4	86	7.569	27247.13

Table 2.11: Mass flow rate of NO_x values for each operating point

Therefore, using Equation 2.14, the specific emissions can be calculated from the mass flow rate of NO_X (mg/h) and the power values from Table 2.9. The calculated specific emissions are shown in Table 2.12.

#	SNO_XE
-	mg/kWh
1	616.39
2	680.68
3	1139.26
4	707.04

Table 2.12: Specific emissions of NO_x for the operating points

To calculate the specific emissions of *SOOT*, we need to determine the mass flow rate again. It is known from Thermodynamics that a gas mixture can be considered as a new ideal gas. Thus, the exhaust gas mixture can be considered an ideal gas for which the Ideal Gas Equation is written as:

$$P \cdot V = n \cdot R \cdot T <=>$$

$$P = \frac{\rho_{exhaust}}{MB_{exhaust}} \cdot R \cdot T_{exhaust} <=>$$

$$\rho_{exhaust} = \frac{P \cdot MB_{exhaust}}{R \cdot T_{exhaust}}$$

where:

- P is the pressure at which the exhaust gas is located, and it is equal to atmospheric pressure,
 10⁵ Pa
- R is the universal gas constant for gases, and it is equal to 8.3145 $I/mol \cdot K$
- MB_{exhaust} is the molecular weight of the exhaust gas, given as 28.98 kg/kmol
- $T_{exhaust}$ is the temperature at which the exhaust gas is located for each operating point and is given by measurements

Summarizing, we have:

$$\rho_{exhaust} = \frac{10^5 \; (Pa) \cdot 28.98 \; (kg/kmol)}{8.3145 \times 10^{-3} \; (J/kmol \cdot K) \cdot T_{exh}}$$

or finally:

$$\rho_{exhaust} = \frac{348.548}{T_{exh}} (kg/m^3)$$
 (2.18)

So, from Table 1.2 and Equation 2.18, the density of the exhaust gas is calculated at each operating point. Then, by dividing these values by the mass flow rates of the exhaust gas from Table 2.4, the volumetric flow rates of the exhaust gas are obtained according to the equation:

$$\dot{V}_{exhaust} (m^3/s) = \frac{\dot{m}_{exhaust} (kg/s)}{\rho_{exhaust} (kg/m^3)}$$

These values are shown in Table 2.13.

#	Pexhaust	$\dot{m}_{exhaust}$	$\dot{V}_{exhaust}$
-	kg/m^3	kg/s	m^3/s
1	0.52810	0.03872	0.073328
2	0.47037	0.05423	0.115289
3	0.58678	0.04086	0.069639
4	0.48816	0.05544	0.113565

Table 2.13: Values of density, mass flow rate, and volume flow rate of the exhaust gas for each operating point

Since the pollutant is contained in the exhaust gas flow rate $\dot{V}_{exhaust}$, we have:

$$\dot{m}_{SOOT} (mg/s) = SOOT (mg/m^3) \cdot \dot{V}_{exhaust} (m^3/s) <=>$$

$$\dot{m}_{SOOT} (mg/h) = 3600 \cdot SOOT (mg/m^3) \cdot \dot{V}_{exhaust} (m^3/s)$$
 (2.19)

With the given density of *SOOT* in mg/m^3 (from the measurements in Table 1.2), from Table 2.13 and Equation 2.19, the mass flow rate values of the pollutant are obtained.

Finally, using Equation 2.15 and for the known power values, the requested specific emissions are obtained in Table 2.14.

	\dot{m}_{SOOT}	SSOOTE
-	mg/h	mg/kWh
1	7919.37	315.10
2	47729.51	1139.46
3	6518.20	338.28
4	44971.73	1166.98

Table 2.14: Values of mass flow rate and specific emission SOOT for each operating point

Finally, in Figures 2.5 and 2.6, the specific emissions of pollutants NO_X and SOOT are shown as functions of torque for a constant number of revolutions. It can be observed that for a **constant** number of revolutions N and as torque M **increases**, the specific emission SOOT, SSOOTE, **increases**. Also, for a **constant** number of revolutions $N = 2000 \, rpm$ and as torque M **increases**, the specific emission NO_X , SNO_XE , **increases**, while for a **constant** number of revolutions $N = 2300 \, rpm$, it decreases.

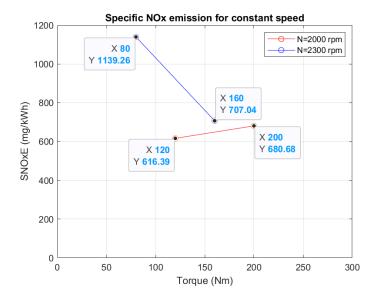


Figure 2.5: Specific emission NO_x for a constant number of revolutions

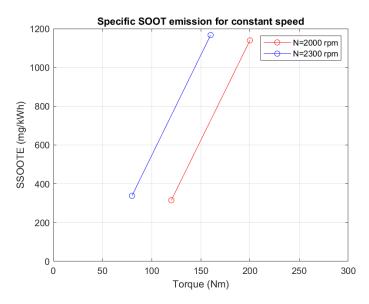


Figure 2.6: Specific emission SOOT for a constant number of revolutions

Chapter 3

Conclusions

Upon completing this study, the following conclusions can be drawn:

- 1. Observing Figure 2.1, it appears that keeping *N* constant, higher torques result in lower coolant flow rates. Therefore, for higher engine torques, there is less need for cooling, and consequently, the engine strains the cooling system more for lower torque values *M*. Additionally, it is also observed that increasing the number of revolutions *N* decreases the coolant flow rate, indicating less need for cooling at lower RPMs.
- 2. Observing Figure 2.2, it is evident that keeping N constant, higher torques correspond to higher power values. Thus, for higher engine torques, more energy is added to the fuel (\dot{Q}_{fuel} increases). Furthermore, one can see that power values decrease for lower RPMs. Finally, it is noted that most of the energy is contributed to the fuel by the actual engine power P_e , followed by coolant power $\dot{Q}_{coolant}$, exhaust gas power $\dot{Q}_{exhaust}$, and lastly, the losses \dot{Q}_A . It generally holds that:

$$\dot{Q}_{fuel} > P_e > \dot{Q}_{coolant} > \dot{Q}_{exhaust} > \dot{Q}_A$$

3. From Figure 2.3, it is observed that keeping N constant, higher torques result in lower specific fuel consumption values SFC and higher efficiency values η . Therefore, for higher engine torques, less fuel is consumed. The engine works harder at lower torques. Conversely, for efficiency, the engine performs better at higher torques but consumes more fuel. Finally, from equation 2.12, it is understood that the efficiency η and specific fuel consumption SFC are inversely proportional:

$$\eta \propto \frac{1}{SFC}$$

- 4. In Figure 2.4, it is noticed that keeping *N* constant, higher torques correspond to lower air-fuel ratio values *AFR*. This implies that with increasing torque, the air mass flow decreases compared to the fuel mass flow. Therefore, less air is burned at low engine torques. Finally, it is observed that this ratio generally decreases for lower RPMs.
- 5. In Figure 2.6, it is evident that keeping N constant, higher torques result in higher specific SOOT emission values SSOOTE. Thus, at higher engine torques, more SOOT is emitted into the atmosphere. Also, it can be seen that, in general, emissions of soot increase for lower RPMs. From Figure 2.5, no conclusions can be drawn about the variation of specific nitrogen oxide emissions NO_X for a constant number of revolutions. However, it could be speculated that beyond a certain RPM value, SNO_XE increases with increasing engine torque, while below a certain RPM, it decreases. Finally, it is observed that, in general, specific NO_X emissions increase for higher RPMs.

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