# Alternative dual- and mono-fuel concepts for decarbonization of future commercial engines

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Motivation and drivers for future technology

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### Motivation for Alternative Powertrain Structures Commercial Vehicle Applications



 $\rightarrow$  At the moment no CO<sub>2</sub> regulation for off-highway. It can be assumed that off-highway will follow on-highway

### **Selection of E-fuel**

#### **Considering Regulation and OEM Boundary Conditions**



#### Multiple e-fuels under development

- Main motivation is the CO<sub>2</sub> regulation. For which regulation (wellto-wheel, tank to wheel, etc.) which e-fuel strategy is better?
- There are multiple OEMs working on different e-fuel in EU, USA, etc.
- Selection of the most promising efuel depends on multiple factors
- Individual definition of e-fuel required
- → IAV can support on all above points from consulting to system development



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### IAV Model-based System Development Methodology From Concept to Series Preparation



→ Long-term experiences with the state-of-the-art technologies for the complete system development

## **IAV references:** H<sub>2</sub> combustion engine development





#### H<sub>2</sub> engine concept development for On-Highway EURO VII

- Technology evaluation: water injection, pent roof, H<sub>2</sub> PFI & DI
- Single-cylinder testing
- Delivery IAV Hydrogen combustion model
- Concept study from air-path, combustion and design up to EAT

#### Calibration 13 L HD $H_2$ engine for Off-Highway

- Turbo-charged 13L Hydrogen Mono-Fuel
- H<sub>2</sub> Port Fuel Injection (PFI)
- Engine calibration
- Emission evaluation on NRTC

#### H<sub>2</sub> tractor development from concept to demonstration

- Holistic system development
- From concept design to machine demonstration
- Concept design, tank and safety, software, calibration up to demo.

### Zero emission vehicle using H<sub>2</sub> ICE propulsion system



#### Potentials for zero-emission vehicles using H<sub>2</sub> as fuel

- HD vehicles certified as "zero-emission" required to emit less than 1 g CO<sub>2</sub>/kWh [Source: EU regulation 2019/1242, link: <u>http://data.eu-ropa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1242/oj</u>]
  - Account for CO<sub>2</sub> from DEF (AdBlue), being carbamid (CH<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O) + water mixture

#### ightarrow 2.0 g/kWh engine-out NOx

 Holistic development from concept and calibration is required to reach the low engine-out NO<sub>x</sub>

• Holistic development and evaluation of engine and after-treatment with optimized calibration required

# NO<sub>x</sub> conformity of H<sub>2</sub> ICE propulsion system



#### $NO_x$ conformity for future ultra-low $NO_x$ Hyd. engines

- Significant reduction in NO<sub>x</sub> limits for future standards (CARB MY27, EPA planned standard, EURO VII)
- H<sub>2</sub> NO<sub>x</sub> conformity demonstrated on CARB Low Load
  Cycle (LLC)
  - Engine-out NO<sub>x</sub> emissions < 2.0 g/kWh</li>
    → zero-emission aspect
  - Very low tailpipe NO<sub>x</sub> emissions (~ 0.012 g/kWh)
  - SCR-only EAT used (No additional EAT heating required – no EHC)

• The future ultra-low NO<sub>x</sub> regulation can be reached with advanced system development



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# **Future Fuels for Off-Highway Applications**



# **IAV reference: GANE Fuel**

### A Methanol-based fuel for compression ignition engines



• For further results see SAE 2021-01-1198



#### Key advantages

- ~ 80%  $NO_x$  reduction with similar BTE as Diesel
- combustion similar to Diesel, higher BTE possible
- > 80% PM reduction  $\rightarrow$  no soot measured, no PM-NO<sub>x</sub>-trade-off
- > 99.5% PN red.  $\rightarrow$  PN Stage V / Euro VI compliant without DPF
- up to 10% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction in emission cycles achieved

#### Key challenges

- Fuel flow approx. 2.4x larger  $\rightarrow$  Adaptation of tank and supply sys.
- Mechanical wear of the injection system
- No DME approved components currently available
- No ready legislation for mixed fuels and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction
- → Promising e-fuel with Diesel-like combustion system

### IAV references: Heavy hauler Diesel-Hydrogen dual-fuel development



- Hydrogen-Diesel dual-fuel combustion system development for a heavy hauler in north America
- Minimum change of engine with maximum substitution rate of Hydrogen
- The whole development of Hydrogen tank and supply system as well as integration of a injection Kit
- Model-based concept development
- 2 L single-cylinder test data for dual fuel operation with Diesel-hydrogen for model validation
- Up to 60% hydrogen substitution rate can be reached at 1600 rpm & 11 bar IMEP (comp. ratio approx. 15)

 $\rightarrow$  Using of the IAV <u>single-cylinder engine</u> to build up the combustion characteristics.

 $\rightarrow$  The 1-D engine simulation is used to build up the full engine behavior.

# IAV's Medium and Heavy-duty ICE Cells



- IAV is enhanced engine test benches for hydrogen
- Suitable from LD to HD Commercial Vehicle engines
- Testing from component up to full engine calibration and series preparation

• 20 asynchronous dynos for CV out of 50 in total @ IAV

MD Test Benches	HD Test Benches
B07: 330 kW / 1,400 Nm	B14: 660 kW / 3,500 Nm
B08: 220 kW / 934 Nm	B15: 780 kW / 5,000 Nm
B09: 460 kW / 981 Nm	C02: 650 kW / 3,500 Nm СNG
C01: 330 kW / 700 Nm CNG	G07: 550 kW / 2,500 Nm CNG
G09: 500 kW / 1,000 Nm CNG	G14: 660 kW / 3,500 Nm H2
G10: 235 kW / 1,000 Nm CNG	U01: 660 kW / 3,500 Nm CNG
G15: 550 kW / 1,100 Nm CNG	
G16: 500 kW / 1,000 Nm CNG	Heavy HD Test Bench H2
U02: 330 kW / 1,400 Nm	G13: 1,470 kW / 7,000 Nm
U03: 330 kW / 1,400 Nm	
U04: 330 kW / 1,400 Nm	
J01: 265 kW / 506 Nm (business partner)	Operations: C: Chemnitz, G: Gifhorn, B: Berlin, U: Detroit, J: Tokyo, Br: Sao Paulo
Br03: 330 kW / 1,400 Nm	CNG – Natural Gas capable,



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### **Summary and outlook**

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- 30 % CO<sub>2</sub> reduction cannot be achieved with a "Diesel-only" strategy
- There is a need for zero CO<sub>2</sub> alternative propulsions
- Hydrogen mobility (FC and ICE), e-fuels, electrifications
- HD Hydrogen system development from concept to series
- Large potentials for decarbonization in off-highway sector
- IAV demonstrated a methanol-based HD CI engine
- Retrofit, especially for large-bore engines

 $\rightarrow$  Promising results and continuous development of commercial engines

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