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## HEAVY-DUTY DIESEL PISTON THERMAL ANALYSIS: HIGH-TEMPERATURE ALLOYS

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## **OBJECTIVE AND METHODS**



- Objective: Support a research program investigating the use of commercial and developmental high-temperature alloys in a heavy-duty diesel piston application
- Methods:
  - Perform a Steady-State Thermal-Stress Analysis to predict the piston temperature profile
    - 1. Given experimental measurements of piston surface heat flux (p.3) and subsurface temperature (p.4) for microalloyed steel (MAS) piston, calibrate the under-crown heat transfer coefficients (p.5) in the model
    - 2. Given experimental surface heat flux and calibrated heat transfer coefficients from previous step, model the piston temperature profiles (p.7) when changing to conductivity of high-temperature commercial alloys A286 (UNS S66286), 422 (S42200), DH31-EX (Daido Steel), and H10 (T20810)
  - Perform a fatigue analysis (not shown in this presentation)
- Finite element (FE) model details:
  - FEA / Fatigue Solver: Abaqus Standard / Fe-Safe
  - Procedure: Coupled Temperature-Displacement
  - Element Type: Solid (C3D4T) thermally coupled tetrahedron elements
  - Piston details: Federal Mogul design X6146F04,122 mm bore size







## SINGLE-CYLINDER RESEARCH ENGINE



Four-stroke diesel engine specifications:

Displacement (I)	1.49
Bore (mm)	122
Stroke (mm)	128
Number of Valves	4
Compression Ratio	14.5
Swirl Ratio (variable)	0-3.5
Peak Firing Pressure (bar)	250
Max. Injection Pressure (bar)	2000
Injector Nozzle Geometry (mm)	8 hole x 0.167 (baseline)







## FEA MODEL: INITIAL TEMPERATURE & HEAT TRANSFER COEFFICIENTS





Group	Initial Temp C	Heat Transfer Coefficient W/ (m^2 * K)		
Land_1st	300	200		
Grv_1st_T	210	3000		
Grv_1st_RT	160	1000		
Grv_1st_B	150	3500		
Land_2nd	140	2500		
Grv_2nd_T	180	1550		
Grv_2nd_RT	180	620		
Grv_2nd_B	180	1550		
Land_3rd	165	527		
Grv_3rd_T	155	930		
Grv_3rd_RT	155	620		
Grv_3rd_B	155	930		
Land_4th	150	527		



Group	Initial Temp C	Heat Transfer Coefficient W/ (m^2 * K)
Gallery1	120	2200
Gallery2	120	2200
Gallery3	120	2000
Gallery4	125	1000
Gallery5	120	2000



Group	Initial Temp C	Heat Transfer Coefficient W/ (m^2 * K)
Saddle_Rib	140	570
Under_Crown1	170	1000
Under_Crown2	140	750
Pin_Bore	180	1800
Skirt_a_rid	140	570
Skirt	140	570
Pin	150	100.000

\*Skirt\_a\_rid and Saddle\_Rib missing HTC and Temperature properties, copied the properties from Skirt Group.

### Reference:

Federal Mogul Report RDS 2011-0174, "Structural Analysis of AVL TARDEC X6147F02\_FEA1," 2011.



## PISTON CROWN HEAT FLUX BOUNDARY CONDITION



- Model rated power operating condition
  - 2500 rpm, IMEP<sub>g</sub>= 20.3 bar
  - Start of injection command (SOIC) -25° aTDC
- Assume heat flux only a function of radius (constant in azimuthal direction)
- Heat flux generated from surface fastresponse thermocouple measurements in a single-cylinder research engine (SCRE)
  - Gingrich, Eric, *High-output Diesel Engine Heat Transfer*. PhD dissertation, University of Wisconsin - Madison, 2020.









## **PISTON OIL GALLERY BOUNDARY** CONDITION





- 2500 rpm, IMEP<sub>g</sub>= 20.3 bar
  SOIC -25° aTDC
- Calibrate the FE model heat transfer coefficients on the under-crown surfaces to match embedded (subsurface) thermocouple (TC) measurements of an MAS piston in SCRE
  - Unpublished data set
  - Use data from "Hot" side of piston (SCRE utilizes a single piston cooling nozzle)





SCRE experimental data

Embedded TC radial locations in SCRE (all TCs nominally 1 mm below surface)



## FE MODEL HTC CALIBRATION – BOTTOM HTC MAX SURFACE TEMP 550 AND 600 C



Operating Condition (Rated Power, 2500rpm, 20.3bar IMEPg)

	Average Temperature* (1mm Subsurface) for prescribed surface Heat Flux									
Parametric Study of bottom HTCs										
Oil Flow Rate (lpm)	8.9		6.1		5.6		5.2		4.7	
ште	Gallery 1	3950	3950 Gallery 1		Gallery 1	3200	Gallery 1	3000	Gallery 1	2700
	Gallery 2	3350	Gallery 2	2720	Gallery 2	2440	Gallery 2	2290	Gallery 2	2020
VV/(III^Z `K)	Under Crown 1	6380	Under Crown 1	4900	Under Crown 1	4455	Under Crown 1	3950	Under Crown 1	3300
Thermocouples	Test [C]	FEA [C]	Test [C]	FEA [C]	Test [C]	FEA [C]	Test [C]	FEA [C]	Test [C]	FEA [C]
1	362	399	366	416	376	425	383	434	392	448
2/7	449 / 408	448	465 / 424	470	477 / 435	482	486 / 449	493	501/465	511
3	369	370	394	394	410	409	424	420	445	442
4	329	309	365	332	381	345	396	355	417	375
5	312	321	346	343	358	354	373	365	395	386
6	314	311	340	336	350	347	363	361	383	386
8	314	327	332	353	340	365	351	380	368	406
Max Surface Temp		466		488		500		511		530











Oil Flow Rate	4.15	3.15
Gallery 1	2410	1860
Gallery 2	1760	1295
Under Crown 1	2760	1810
Thermocouples	FEA [C]	FEA [C]
1	465	505
2/7	532	584
3	466	529
4	398	457
5	410	476
6	414	496
8	436	525
Max Surf Temp	551.0	603.5



## STEADY STATE TEMPERATURE-MATERIAL- MAS, 3.15 LPM OIL FLOW





Group	Group Namo	Surface			
Group		Temperatures C			
1	Bowl Apex	535.3			
2	Bowl Bot	517.6			
3	Bowl Wall	600.4			
4	Bowl Rim	603.5			
5	Bowl Top	589.6			
6	Grv 1st RT	246.5			
7	Grv 2nd RT	161.2			
8	Grv 3rd RT	148.6			
9	Gallery 1	491.5			
10	Gallery 2	447.1			
11	Gallery 3	253.4			
12	Gallery 4	164.2			
13	Gallery 5	349.5			
14	Pin Bore	152.4			
15	Saddle Rib	170.8			
17	Skirt A Rid	142.6			
18	Under Crown 1	475.7			



## THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY EFFECT: FOUR **CANDIDATE HIGH-TEMPERATURE ALLOYS**



Temperature	Conductivity [W/m-K]					
[C]	A286	422	DH31-EX	H10		
20	12.91	23.79	25.50	32.60		
100	14.24	24.54	26.70	33.36		
200	15.98	25.40	27.94	34.03		
300	17.81	26.17	28.86	34.36		
400	19.75	26.84	29.49	34.36		
500	21.78	27.41	29.81	34.04		
600	23.91	27.90	29.84	33.38		
700	26.14	28.29	29.55	32.40		

Conductivity data compiled by Dean Pierce, Oak Ridge National Laboratory



Max Gallery Temperatures C







# **BACK-UP SLIDES**



## CYLINDER PRESSURE (PCYL) AND APPARENT HEAT RELEASE RATE (AHRR)





- Operating condition of interest for FE modeling: 2500 rev/min, 20.3 bar gross indicated mean effective pressure (IMEPg) at injection timing SOIC -25° aTDC
- For piston abuse testing, cylinder pressure is less than 200 bar for safety



## FEA MODEL INPUTS





#### Elastic Modulus of MAS Forgings



Elastic Modulus	Temperature
Pa (N/m^2)	С
2.05E+11	25
1.86E+11	200
1.91E+11	300
1.79E+11	350
1.73E+11	450
1.46E+11	550



#### Thermal Conductivity of Microalloyed Steel vs. 4140H Steel



Conductivity W / (m*K)	Temperature C
38.815	25
39.481	50
40.481	100
41.296	200
40.889	300
39.148	400
37.185	500
36.370	550

### Reference:

Chen and Worden, SAE 2000-01-1232, "Evaluation of Microalloyed Steel for Articulated Piston Applications in Heavy Duty Diesel Engines," 2000.



## **MESH REFINEMENT**



- Finer mesh at the critical areas.
- Included the friction weld.



Created separate mesh regions to easily modify the HTC for different materials to match the thermocouple temperature test data.

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## SOI SURFACE HEAT FLUX AVERAGE OF BEST FIT



### **Best Fit for each SOI**

		Op	erating Condition 3	(Rated Powe	er, 2500rpm, 20.3	bar IMEPg)				
		A۱	verage Temperatur	e* (1mm Sub	surface) for each	Heat Flux				
	Parametric Study of Surface Heat Flux									
SOI [°ATDC] / Heat Flux (W)	-29	9910	-25	8557	-23	7787	-19	6654	-14	5590
Radius / Peak Heat Flux (W/m^2)	39.529	877412	39.360	742659	36.259	642406	35.881	538573	35.481	461834
	Gallery 1	5600	Gallery 1	4160	Gallery 1	3360	Gallery 1	2540	Gallery 1	1900
HIC	Gallery 2	2525	Gallery 2	2970	Gallery 2	3040	Gallery 2	3090	Gallery 2	3500
W/ (m²2 °K)	Under Crown 1	6730	Under Crown 1	6465	Under Crown 1	6140	Under Crown 1	5455	Under Crown 1	4800
	[C]		[C]		[C]		[C]		[C]	
1	374	394	362	394	360	394	350	385	341	367
2/7	461/426	456	449 / 408	443	443 / 404	439	430 / 391	427	409 / 376	402
3	380	381	369	369	363	363	350	352	331	332
4	339	343	329	314	323	305	312	287	296	265
5	329	353	312	322	306	311	294	293	283	276
6	333	332	314	311	306	302	294	290	284	280
8	335	340	314	327	307	318	296	302	287	290
Max Surface Temp		478		461		455		441		414

### Avg HTC from Best Fit for each SOI

Operating Condition 3 (Rated Power, 2500rpm, 20.3bar IMEPg)										
	Average Temperature* (1mm Subsurface) for each Heat Flux									
	Parametric Study of Surface Heat Flux									
SOI [°ATDC] / Heat Flux (W)	OI [°ATDC] / Heat Flux (W) -29 9910 -25 8557 -23 7787 -19 6654 -14								-14	5590
Radius / Peak Heat Flux (W/m^2)	39.529	877412	39.360	742659	36.259	642406	35.881	538573	35.481	461834
UTC	Gallery 1	3510	Gallery 1	3510	Gallery 1	3510	Gallery 1	3510	Gallery 1	3510
HIC	Gallery 2	3025	Gallery 2	3025	Gallery 2	3025	Gallery 2	3025	Gallery 2	3025
W/ (m²2 °K)	Under Crown 1	5920	Under Crown 1	<b>5920</b>	Under Crown 1	5920	Under Crown 1	5920	Under Crown 1	5920
	[C]		[C]		[C]		[C]		[C]	
1	374	448	362	412	360	390	350	357	341	323
2/7	461 / 426	521	449 / 408	465	443 / 404	434	430 / 391	393	409 / 376	351
3	380	433	369	387	363	359	350	323	331	289
4	339	355	329	321	323	304	312	276	296	253
5	329	363	312	328	306	313	294	288	283	267
6	333	344	314	318	306	305	294	284	284	267
8	335	353	314	334	307	321	296	296	287	277
Max Surface Temp		544		483		450		407		362



- Gallery 1 HTC has the most effect on Thermocouples 1-3.
- UnderCrown1 HTC has the most effect on Thermocouples 5-8.
- Gallery 2 HTC has significant effect on Thermocouples 3-5.
- Gallery 5 showed less than other HTCs and was excluded in the Parametric study.