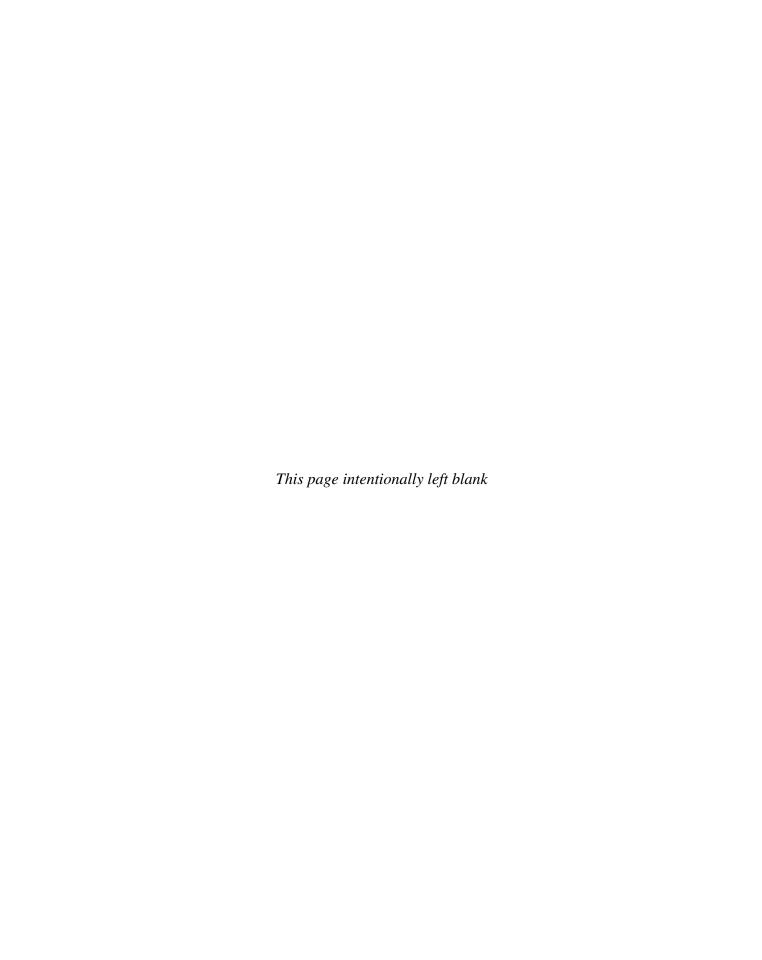
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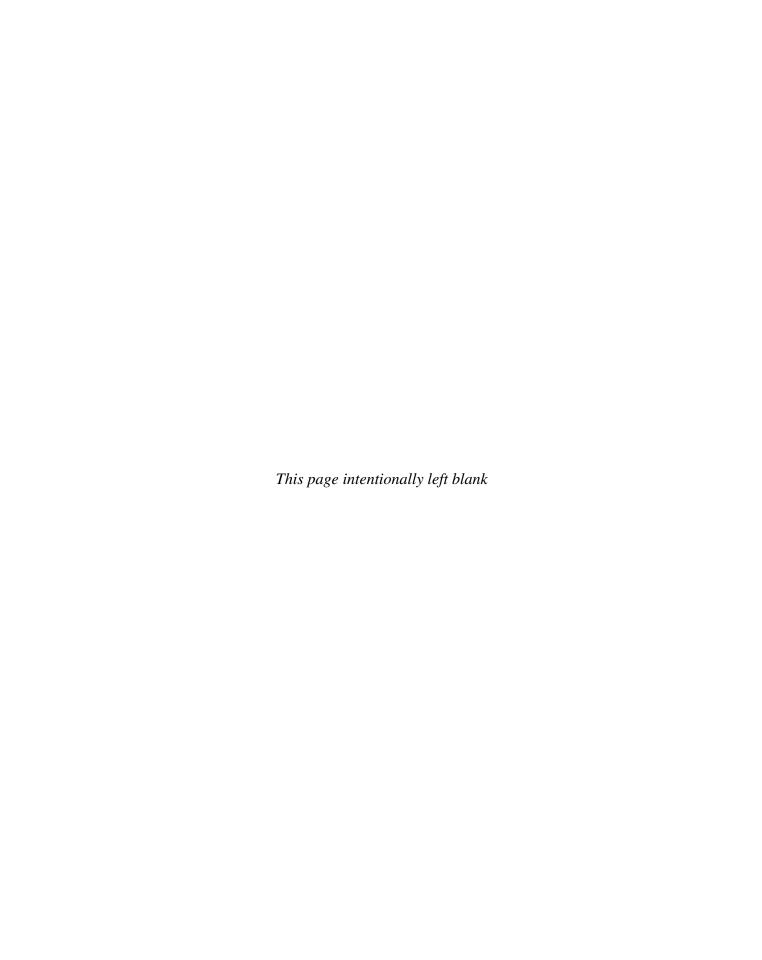
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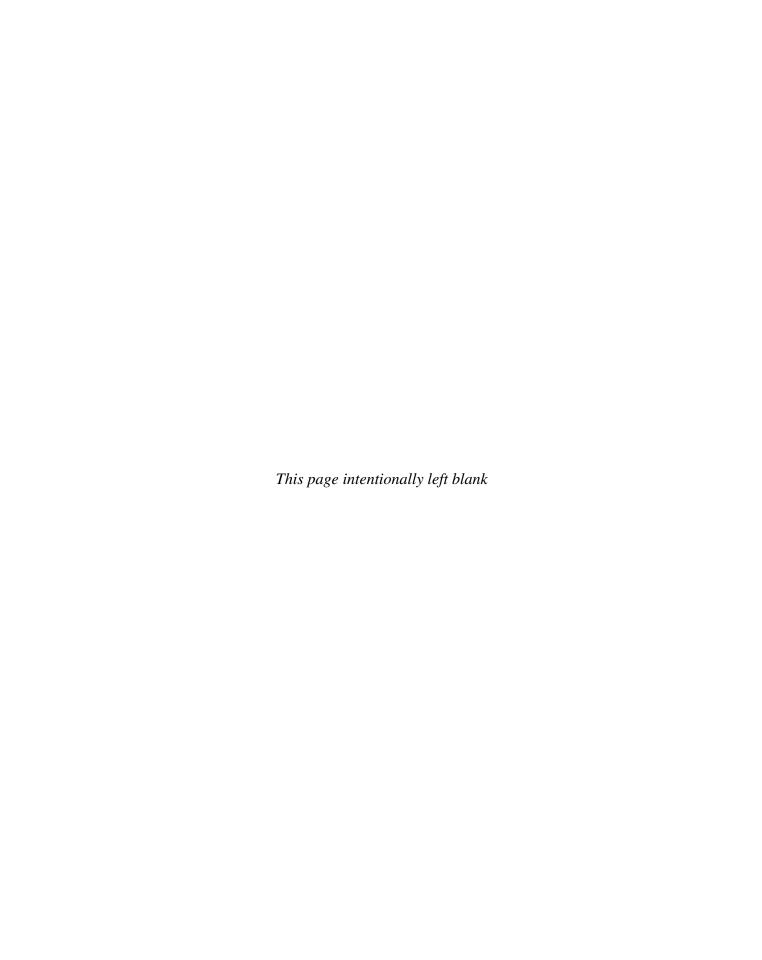
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A documentary film, So Much So Fast, was made about ALS, Stephen, Jamie, and our life together. The Los Angeles film critic's review said of our family: "And what a family; close-knit, loving, and fiercely loyal." I treasure those words.



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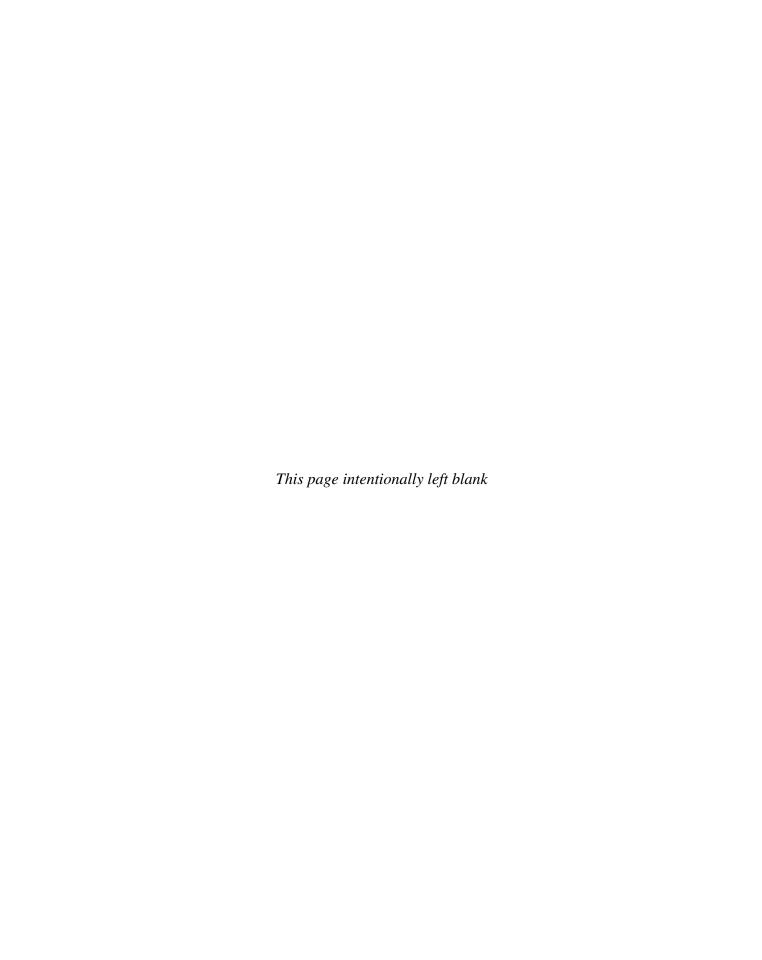
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Preface

There are about two billion internal combustion engines in use in the world today. These engines enable key areas of our daily lives, propelling our many vehicles, generating electricity, and providing mechanical power in a wide range of applications. Their origin dates back to 1876 when Nicolaus Otto first developed the spark-ignition engine, and 1892 when Rudolf Diesel invented the compression-ignition engine. Since then, the utility of sparkignition and diesel engines has steadily improved as our understanding of engine processes has increased, new technologies have become available, and market and regulatory requirements have become more demanding. A sense of urgency, driven largely by our need to combat global climate change, now requires ever-faster development of better engines and fuels, and exploration of alternative approaches. Increasing engine power density and efficiency and reducing engine emissions are really important objectives. The availability and effective use of our expanding knowledge base on engines and fuels are therefore critical.

The 1988 edition of this book has served as an educational text and professional reference in response to that need for some thirty years. Since 1988, we have steadily improved engine performance, reduced engine fuel consumption, developed air pollutant control technologies that have reduced engine emissions, improved the quality of our mainstream petroleum-based fuels, and made a start on reducing transportation's greenhouse gas emissions. Obviously, over these past thirty years, much new engineering knowledge relevant to engines and fuels has been developed. The purpose of this second edition of my book is to incorporate this new material, update the existing knowledge base, and make available a modern, broader, and thus more useful engine text and reference.

There is a massive amount of material, both analytical and experimentally based, available on internal combustion engines, and no text can include it all. The emphasis here is on the key physical and chemical processes that govern engine operation and design. These include the thermodynamics of energy conversion in engines, the physics and chemistry that govern engine combustion, the engine's fuel requirements, the important fluid flow, heat transfer, friction, and lubrication processes in engines, and the engine's dynamic behavior. These all influence engine performance, efficiency, and emissions.

There are two main types of internal combustion engine: spark-ignition and diesel. The primary organizing approach for the material in this text is how the mixture of fuel and air formed inside the engine cylinder is ignited. From *method of ignition*—spark-ignited or compression-ignited—follows each type of engine's operating cycle, fuel requirements, mixture preparation approach, combustion process, combustion chamber configuration, method used to control load, air pollutant formation mechanisms and control approaches, performance and efficiency characteristics, and greenhouse gas emissions. While many engine processes are similar in both types of engines, the method of ignition is fundamentally different. The consequences of that difference underlie the overall organization of this book.

The book is arranged in four major sections. The first (Chaps. 1 to 5) provides an introduction to, and overview of, the operating characteristics of spark-ignition and compression-ignition (diesel) engines, defines the parameters used to characterize engine operation, and develops the thermodynamics and combustion theory required for a quantitative

analysis of engine behavior. It concludes with an integrated treatment of the methods used for analyzing idealized models of internal combustion engine operating cycles.

The second section (Chaps. 6 to 8) focuses on engine flow phenomena. The details of the gas exchange process—intake and exhaust processes in four-stroke and scavenging in two-stroke cycle engines—and the various methods of boosting engines—turbocharging and supercharging—are discussed. The several fuel metering approaches used in sparkignition engines are reviewed next. Then, the key features of the flows setup inside the engine cylinder are described. These flow processes (along with engine boost levels) control the amount of air the engine will induct, and thus its power, and largely govern the rate at which the fuel-air mixture in the cylinder will burn.

The third section of the book examines engine combustion phenomena. These chapters (9 to 11) are especially important to smooth and robust engine behavior. The combustion process releases the fuel's chemical energy within the engine's cylinders for eventual conversion to work. The fraction of the fuel's energy that is converted depends strongly on how that combustion process occurs. The spark-ignition and compression-ignition combustion processes (Chaps. 9 and 10, respectively) thus influence essentially all aspects of engine behavior. Air pollutants are undesirable byproducts of combustion. Our extensive knowledge of how air pollutants form inside the engine and how such emissions can be controlled is reviewed in Chap. 11.

The last section of the book focuses on the operating characteristics of these engines. First, the basics of engine heat transfer and friction, both of which degrade engine performance, are developed in Chaps. 12 and 13. Then, Chap. 14 describes the methodologies available for predicting details of key engine processes and overall engine behavior based on realistic models of engine flow and combustion phenomena. The various thermodynamic- and fluid-mechanic-based computer codes that have been developed over the past several decades are widely used in engine research, development, and design, so knowledge of their basic structure and capabilities is important. Chapter 15 then summarizes how the operating characteristics—power, efficiency, and emissions—of spark-ignition and diesel engines depend on the major engine design and operating variables. These final two chapters effectively integrate our analysis-based understanding and practical knowledge of individual engine processes together to describe and explain overall spark-ignition engine, and compression-ignition engine, behavior.

While this book contains much advanced material on engine design and operation intended for the practitioner, each major topic is developed from its beginnings and the more sophisticated chapters have introductory sections to facilitate their use in undergraduate courses. The chapters are extensively cross-referenced and indexed. Each chapter is fully illustrated and referenced, and includes problems for both undergraduate and graduate student courses.

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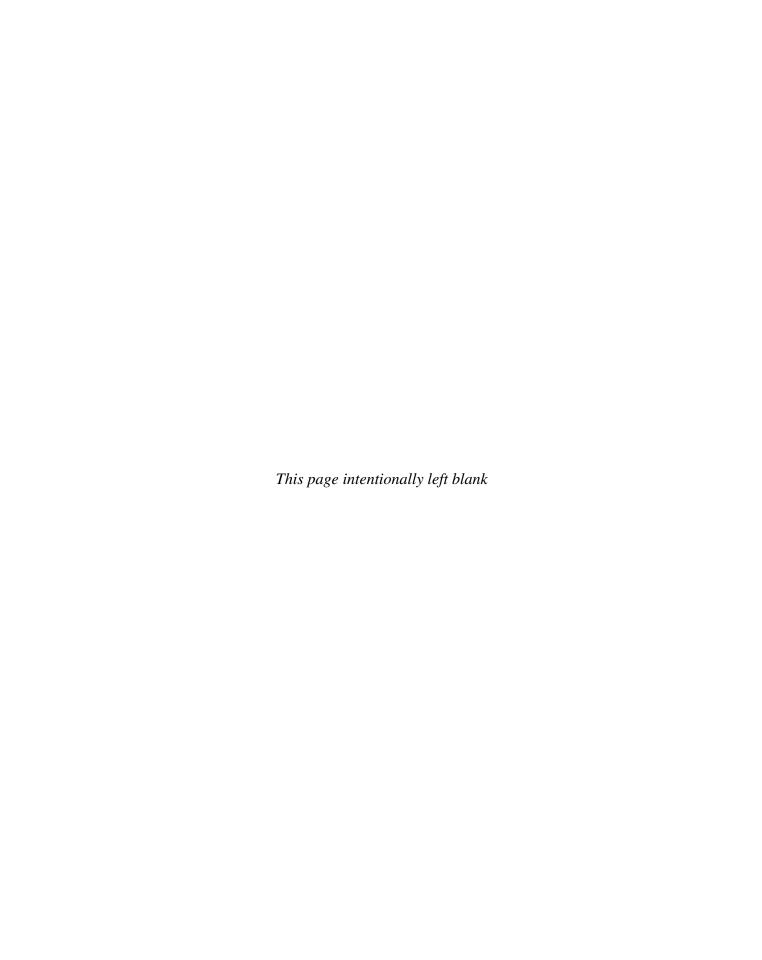
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Commonly Used Symbols, Subscripts, and Abbreviations^a

SYMBOLS

а	Acceleration
	Crank radius
	Sound speed
	Specific availability
A	Area
A_C	Valve curtain area
$A_{ m ch}$	Cylinder head area
A_e	Exhaust port area
$A_{\scriptscriptstyle E}$	Effective area of flow restriction
A_i	Inlet port area
$A_{\scriptscriptstyle \mathcal{D}}$	Piston crown area
A_{v}^{r}	Valve open area
В	Cylinder bore
	Steady-flow availability
С	Distance of piston from TC position
	Specific heat
C_p	Specific heat at constant pressure
C_s	Soot concentration (mass/volume)
C_{ν}	Specific heat at constant volume
C	Absolute gas velocity
C_D	Discharge coefficient
	Vehicle drag coefficient
C_s	Swirl coefficient
D	Diameter
	Diffusion coefficient
D_d	Droplet diameter
D_{SM}	Sauter mean droplet diameter
D_{v}	Valve diameter
е	Radiative emissive power
	Specific energy
E_A	Activation energy
f	Coefficient of friction
	Fuel mass fraction
F	Force
g	Gravitational acceleration
	Specific Gibbs free energy

^aNomenclature specific to a section or chapter is defined in that section or chapter.

C	Cibbo fuee on array
G	Gibbs free energy
h	Clearance height
	Oil film thickness
	Specific enthalpy
h_c	Heat-transfer coefficient
h_p	Port open height
$h_s^{'}$	Sensible specific enthalpy
H	Enthalpy
I	Moment of inertia
J	Flux
k	Thermal conductivity
K	Turbulent kinetic energy
L+ L-	Forward, backward rate constants for <i>i</i> th reaction
$k_i^+, k_i^ K$	
	Constant
K_c	Equilibrium constant expressed in concentrations
K_p l	Equilibrium constant expressed in partial pressures
l	Characteristic length scale
	Connecting rod length
l_T	Characteristic length scale of turbulent flame
L	Piston stroke
$rac{L_I}{\widetilde{L}_{ ext{LO}}}$	Sound intensity level
	Normalized spray lift-off length
L_n	Fuel-injection-nozzle orifice length
$L_{ u}$	Valve lift
m	Mass
ṁ	Mass flow rate
m_r	Mass of residual gas
M	Mach number
	Molecular weight
n	Number of moles
	Polytropic exponent
n_c	Number of cylinders
n_R	Number of crank revolutions per power stroke
N	Crankshaft rotational speed
	Soot particle number density
	Turbocharger shaft speed
p	Cylinder pressure
Γ	Pressure
P	Power
ġ	Heat-transfer rate per unit area
7	Heat-transfer rate per unit mass of fluid
0	Heat transfer Heat transfer
Q Q	Heat-transfer rate
$Q_{ m ch}$	Fuel chemical energy release or gross heat release
$Q_{ m HV}$	Fuel heating value
	Net heat release
Q_n	Radius
r	
r_c	Compression ratio
R	Connecting rod length/crank radius
	Gas constant

Radius

D+ D-	0
R^+, R^-	One-way reaction rates Swirl ratio
R_s	
S	Crank axis to piston pin distance
S	Specific entropy
3	Entropy
C	Spray penetration
S_b	Turbulent burning speed
S_L	Laminar flame speed
S_p t	Piston speed Time
T	
1	Temperature
11	Torque Specific internal energy
и	Velocity
u'	Turbulence intensity
	Sensible specific internal energy
u_s	Characteristic turbulent velocity
$u_{\scriptscriptstyle T} \ U$	Compressor/turbine impellor tangential velocity
O	Fluid velocity
	Internal energy
ν, υ	Specific volume
,, 0	Velocity
$ u_{ m ps}$	Valve pseudo-flow velocity
$ u_{ m sq}$	Squish velocity
$\stackrel{\circ}{V}$	Cylinder volume
	Volume
V_c	Clearance volume
V_d	Displaced cylinder volume
w	Relative gas velocity
	Soot surface oxidation rate
W	Work transfer
W_c	Work per cycle
W_p	Pumping work
x, y, z	Spatial coordinates
x	Mass fraction
\tilde{x}	Mole fraction
x_b	Burned mass fraction
\mathcal{X}_r	Residual mass fraction
y	H/C ratio of fuel
	Volume fraction
Y_{α}	Concentration of species α per unit mass
z	Distance, piston crown to cylinder head
Z	Inlet Mach index
α	Angle
	Thermal diffusivity $k/(\rho c)$
β	Angle
γ	Specific heat ratio c_p/c_v
Γ_c	Angular momentum of charge
δ	Boundary-layer thickness
$\delta_{\scriptscriptstyle L}$	Laminar flame thickness
$\Delta h^{\circ}_{f,i}$	Molal enthalpy of formation of species <i>i</i>

$\Delta heta_{b}$	Rapid burning angle
$\Delta \theta_d$	Flame development angle
ε	4/(4 + y): $y = H/C$ ratio of fuel
8	Turbulent kinetic energy dissipation rate
ζ	Percentage of stoichiometric air entrained into fuel spray
•	Availability conversion efficiency
η_a	Combustion efficiency
η_c	Charging efficiency
$\eta_{ m ch}$	Fuel conversion efficiency
η_f	Turbine isentropic efficiency
$\eta_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$	Trapping efficiency
$\eta_{ m tr} \ \eta_{ m u}$	Volumetric efficiency
$\overset{\prime\prime}{ heta}_{\!$	Crank angle
$\stackrel{\circ}{\lambda}$	Relative air/fuel ratio
Λ	Delivery ratio
μ	Dynamic viscosity
μ_i	Chemical potential of species <i>i</i>
ν	Kinematic viscosity μ/ρ
ν_{i}	Stoichiometric coefficient of species <i>i</i>
ξ	Flow friction coefficient
ρ	Density
$ ho_{a,0}$, $ ho_{a,i}$	Air density at standard, inlet conditions
σ	Normal stress
	Standard deviation
	Stefan-Boltzmann constant
	Surface tension
au	Characteristic time
	Induction time
	Shear stress
$ au_{ m id}$	Ignition delay time
ϕ	Fuel/air equivalence ratio
Φ	Flow compressibility function [Eq. (C.11)]
,	Isentropic compression function [Eqs. (4.15b), (4.25b)]
ψ	Molar N/O ratio
Ψ	Isentropic compression function [Eqs. (4.15a), (4.25a)]
ω	Angular velocity
	Frequency

SUBSCRIPTS

а	Air
b	Burned gas
С	Coolant
	Cylinder
C	Compression stroke
	Compressor
cr	Crevice
е	Equilibrium
	Exhaust

E	Expansion stroke
f	Flame
	Friction
	Fuel
g	Gas
g i	Indicated
	Intake
	Species i
ig	Gross indicated
in	Net indicated
l	Liquid
L	Laminar
p	Piston
-	Port
P	Prechamber
r , θ , z	r , θ , z components
R	Reference value
S	Isentropic
T	Nozzle or orifice throat
	Turbine
	Turbulent
и	Unburned
ν	Valve
w	Wall
x, y, z	x, y, z components
0	Reference value
	Stagnation value

NOTATION

Δ	Difference
_	Average or mean value
\sim	Value per mole
[]	Concentration, moles/vol
{ }	Mass fraction
•	Rate of change with time
u	Bold type, vector (e.g., velocity)

ABBREVIATIONS

(A/F)	Air/fuel ratio
BC, ABC, BBC	Bottom-center crank position, after BC, before BC
bmep	Brake mean effective pressure
CN	Fuel cetane number
Da	Damköhler number $\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle T}/\tau_{\scriptscriptstyle L}$
EGR	Exhaust gas recycle
EI	Emission index
EPC, EPO	Exhaust port closing, opening

EVC, EVO Exhaust valve closing, opening

(F/A) Fuel/air ratio (G/F) Gas/fuel ratio

gimep Gross indicated mean effective pressure

IPC, IPO Inlet port closing, opening IVC, IVO Inlet valve closing, opening mep Mean effective pressure

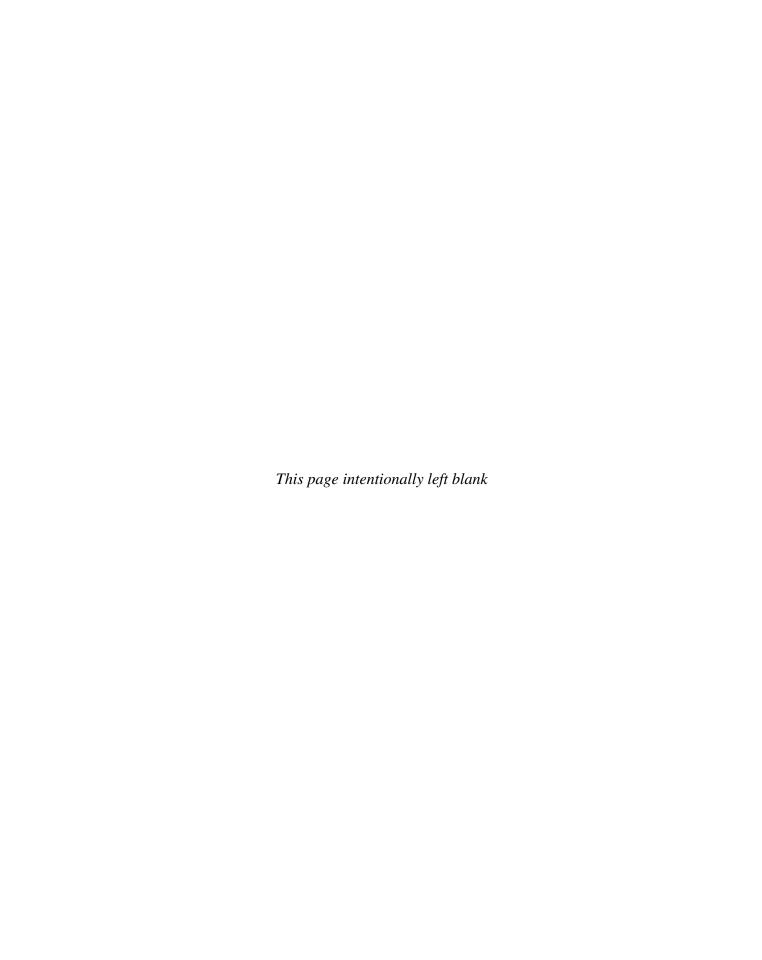
nimep Net indicated mean effective pressure

NuNusselt number $h_c l/k$ ONFuel octane numberReReynolds number $\rho u l/\mu$ sfcSpecific fuel consumption

TC, ATC, BTC Top-center crank position, after TC, before TC

We Weber number $\rho_l u^2 D/\sigma$

Internal Combustion Engine Fundamentals



CHAPTER 1

Engine Types and Their Operation

1.1 INTRODUCTION AND HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

The purpose of internal combustion engines is to produce mechanical power from the chemical energy contained in the fuel. In *internal* combustion engines, as distinct from *external* combustion engines, this energy is released by burning or oxidizing the fuel *inside* the engine. The fuel-air mixture before combustion and the burned products after combustion are the actual working fluids. The work transfers that provide the desired power output occur directly between these working fluids and the mechanical components of the engine. The internal combustion engines that are the subject of this book are spark-ignition (SI) engines (sometimes called Otto engines, or gasoline or petrol engines, though other fuels can be used) and compression-ignition (CI) or diesel engines.^a Because of their simplicity, ruggedness, high power to weight ratio, efficiency, and low cost, these two types of engine have found wide application in transportation (land, sea, and air) and power generation. It is the fact that combustion takes place inside the work-producing part of these engines that makes their design and operating characteristics fundamentally different from those of other types of engine.

Power-producing engines have served human beings for over two and a half centuries. For the first 150 years, water, converted to steam, was interposed between the combustion gases produced by burning the fuel and the work-producing piston-in-cylinder expander. It was not until the 1860s that the internal combustion engine became a practical reality. The early engines developed for commercial use burned coal-gas air mixtures at atmospheric pressure—there was no compression before combustion. J. J. E. Lenoir (1822–1900) developed the first marketable engine of this type. Gas and air were drawn into the cylinder during the first half of the piston stroke. The charge was then ignited with a spark, the pressure increased, and the burned gases then delivered power to the piston for the second half of the stroke. The cycle was completed with an exhaust stroke. Some 5000 of these engines were built between 1860 and 1865 in sizes up to six horsepower. Efficiency was at best about 5%.

A more successful development—an atmospheric engine introduced in 1867 by Nicolaus A. Otto (1832–1891) and Eugen Langen (1833–1895)—used the pressure rise resulting from combustion of the fuel-air charge early in the outward stroke to accelerate a free piston and rack assembly so its momentum would generate a vacuum in the cylinder. Atmospheric pressure then pushed the piston inward, with the rack engaged through a roller clutch to

^aThe gas turbine is also, by this definition, an "internal combustion engine." Conventionally, however, the term is used for spark-ignition and compression-ignition engines. The operating principles of gas turbines are fundamentally different, and they are not discussed in this book.

the output shaft. Production engines, of which about 5000 were built, obtained thermal efficiencies of up to 11%. A slide valve controlled intake, ignition by a gas flame, and exhaust.

To overcome this engine's shortcomings of low thermal efficiency and excessive size and weight, Otto proposed an engine cycle with four piston strokes: an intake stroke, then a compression stroke before ignition, an expansion or power stroke where work was delivered to the crankshaft, and finally an exhaust stroke. He also proposed incorporating a stratified-charge induction system, though this was not achieved in practice. His prototype four-stroke engine first ran in 1876. A comparison between the Otto engine and its atmospheric-type predecessor indicates the reason for its success (Table 1.1): the enormous reduction in engine weight and volume. This was the breakthrough that effectively founded the internal combustion engine industry. By 1890, almost 50,000 of these engines had been sold in Europe and the United States.

In 1884, an unpublished French patent issued in 1862 to Alphonse Beau de Rochas (1815–1893) was found that described the principles of the four-stroke cycle. This chance discovery cast doubt on the validity of Otto's own patent for this concept, and in Germany, it was declared invalid. Beau de Rochas also outlined the conditions under which maximum performance and efficiency in an internal combustion engine could be achieved. These were:

- 1. The largest possible cylinder volume with the minimum boundary surface
- 2. The greatest possible working speed
- 3. The greatest possible expansion ratio
- 4. The greatest possible pressure at the beginning of expansion

The first condition holds heat losses from the charge to a minimum. The second condition increases the power output from a given size engine. The third condition recognizes that the greater the expansion of the postcombustion gases, the greater the amount of work extracted. The fourth condition recognizes that higher initial pressures make greater expansion possible and give higher pressures throughout the process, both resulting in greater work transfer. Although Beau de Rochas' unpublished writings predate Otto's developments, he never reduced these ideas to practice. Thus Otto, in the broader sense, was the inventor of the modern internal combustion engine as we know it today.

Further developments followed fast once the full impact of what Otto had achieved became apparent. By the 1880s, several engineers (e.g., Dugald Clerk, 1854–1913, James Robson, 1833–1913, in England, and Karl Benz, 1844–1929, in Germany) had successfully developed two-stroke cycle internal combustion engines where the exhaust and intake processes occur during the end of the power stroke and the beginning of the compression

TABLE 1.1 Comparison of Otto's early four-stroke tytle and Otto-Langen's engines					
	Otto and Langen	Otto's four-stroke			
Brake horsepower	2	2			
Weight, lb, approx.	4000	1250			
Piston displacement, in ³	4900	310			
Power strokes per minute	28	80			
Shaft speed, rev/min	90	160			
Mechanical efficiency, %	68	84			
Overall efficiency, %	11	14			
Expansion ratio	10	2.5			

TABLE 1.1 Comparison of Otto's early four-stroke cycle and Otto-Langen's engines

stroke. James Atkinson (1846–1914) in England made an engine with a longer expansion than compression stroke, which had a high efficiency for the times but mechanical weaknesses. It was recognized that efficiency was a direct function of expansion ratio, yet compression ratios were limited to less than four if serious knock problems were to be avoided with the available fuels. Substantial carburetor and ignition system developments were required, and occurred, before high-speed gasoline engines suitable for automobiles became available in the late 1880s. Stationary engine progress also continued. By the late 1890s, large single-cylinder engines of 1.3-m bore fueled by low-energy blast furnace gas produced 600 bhp at 90 rev/min. In Britain, legal restrictions on volatile fuels turned their engine builders toward kerosene. Low compression ratio "oil" engines with heated external fuel vaporizers and electric ignition were developed with efficiencies comparable with those of gas engines (14 to 18%). The Hornsby-Ackroyd engine became the most popular oil engine in Britain, and was also built in large numbers in the United States.²

In 1892, the German engineer Rudolf Diesel (1858–1913) outlined in his patent a new form of internal combustion engine. His concept of initiating combustion by injecting a liquid fuel into the high-temperature air in the cylinder produced by compression permitted a doubling of efficiency over the other internal combustion engines then available. Much greater compression and expansion ratios, without detonation or knock, were now possible. However, even with the efforts of Diesel and the resources of M.A.N. in Ausburg combined, it took 5 years to develop a practical engine.

Engine developments, perhaps less fundamental but nonetheless important to the steadily widening internal combustion engine markets, have continued ever since.²⁻⁴ There has always been an interest in engine geometries different from the standard reciprocating piston-in-cylinder, connecting rod, and crankshaft arrangement. Especially, there has been an interest in rotary internal combustion engines. Although a wide variety of experimental rotary engines have been proposed over the years,⁵ the first practical rotary internal combustion engine, the Wankel, was not successfully tested until 1957. That engine, which evolved through many years of research and development, was based on the designs of the German inventor Felix Wankel.^{6,7} While the Wankel engine has been used in niche markets, its advantages of compactness and smoother operation have not been sufficient to overcome its high manufacturing cost.

Fuels have also had a major impact on engine development. The earliest engines used for generating mechanical power burned gaseous fuels. Gasoline, and lighter fractions of crude oil, became available in the late 1800s, and various types of carburetors were developed to vaporize the fuel and mix it with air. Before about 1905, there were few issues with gasoline; though compression ratios had to be low (4 or less) to avoid knock, the highly volatile fuel made starting easy and gave good cold weather performance. However, a serious crude oil shortage developed, and to meet the fivefold increase in gasoline demand between 1907 and 1915, the yield from crude had to be raised. Through the work of William Burton (1865–1954) and his associates of Standard Oil of Indiana, a thermal cracking process was developed whereby heavier oils were heated under pressure and decomposed into less complex, more volatile compounds. These thermally cracked gasolines satisfied demand, but their higher boiling point range created cold weather starting problems. Fortunately, electrically driven starters, introduced in 1912, came along just in time.

On the farm, kerosene was the logical fuel for internal combustion engines since it was used for heat and light. Many early farm engines had heated carburetors or vaporizers to enable them to operate with such a fuel.

The period following World War I saw a tremendous advance in our understanding of how fuels affect combustion, and especially the problem of knock. The antiknock effect of tetraethyl lead was discovered at General Motors, ⁴ and it became commercially available

as a gasoline additive in the United States in 1923. In the late 1930s, Eugene Houdry found that vaporized oils passed over an activated catalyst at 450 to 480°C were converted to high-quality gasoline in much higher yields than was possible with thermal cracking. These advances, and others, permitted fuels with ever better antiknock properties to be produced in large quantities; thus engine compression ratios steadily increased, improving power and efficiency.

During the past several decades, new factors for change have become important and now significantly affect engine design and operation. These factors are, first, the need to control the automotive contribution to urban air pollution and, second, the need to achieve significant improvements in automotive fuel consumption.

The automotive air-pollution problem became apparent in the 1940s in the Los Angeles basin. In 1952, it was demonstrated by Prof. A. J. Haagen-Smit that the smog problem there resulted from reactions between oxides of nitrogen and hydrocarbon compounds in the presence of sunlight.⁸ In due course it became clear that the automobile was a major contributor to hydrocarbon and oxides of nitrogen emissions, as well as the prime cause of high carbon monoxide levels in urban areas. Diesel engines are a significant source of small soot or smoke particles, as well as hydrocarbons and oxides of nitrogen. Table 1.2 outlines the dimensions of the problem. As a result of these developments, emission standards for automobiles were introduced first in California, then nationwide in the United States, starting in the 1960s. Emission standards in Japan and Europe, and for other engine applications, have followed. Substantial reductions in emissions from spark-ignition and diesel engines have been achieved. Both the use of catalysts in SI engine exhaust systems for

TABLE 1.2 The automotive urban air-pollution problem: typical vehicle emissions*

Pollutant I1	Impact	Mobil source emissions as % of total [†]	Automobile emissions, SI engines		Truck emissions, diesel engines,	
			Precontrol vehicles, g/km‡	Current vehicles, g/km	Precontrol engines, g/kWh	Current engines, g/kWh
Oxides of nitrogen (NO and NO ₂)	Reactant in photochemical smog; NO ₂ is toxic	50-60	2.0	0.03	21	0.25
Carbon monoxide (CO)	Toxic	60	60	2	~ 20	low
Unburned hydrocarbons (HC, many hydrocarbon compounds)	Reactant in photochemical smog	25	10	0.05	~ 1	low
Particulates (soot, hydrocarbons, sulfates)	Some of HC compounds mutagenic; reduces visibility	5–10	0.5\$	0.007\$	1	0.02

^{*}Varies from country to country. The United States, Canada, Western Europe, and Japan have standards with different degrees of severity. The United States, Europe, and Japan have different test procedures. Standards are strictest in the United States and Japan.

[†]Depends on type of urban area and source mix. Approximate percentages.

^{*}Average values for pre-1968 automobiles that had no emission controls, determined by U.S. test procedure that simulates typical urban and highway driving. Exhaust emissions, except for HC where 55% are exhaust emissions, 20% are evaporative emissions from fuel tank and carburetor, and 25% are crankcase blowby gases.

Diesel engine automobiles only. Particulate emissions from spark-ignition engines are relatively low.

emissions control and concern over the toxicity of lead antiknock additives have resulted in the reappearance of unleaded gasoline as the dominant part of the automotive fuels market. These emission-control requirements and fuel developments have produced significant changes in the way internal combustion engines are now designed and operated.

Internal combustion engines are also an important source of noise. There are several sources of engine noise: the exhaust system, the intake system, the fan used for cooling, and the engine block surface. The noise may be generated by aerodynamic effects, may be due to forces that result from the combustion process, or may result from mechanical excitation by rotating or reciprocating engine components. Vehicle noise legislation to reduce this impact on the ambient environment (and thus on people) was first introduced in the early 1970s.

During the 1970s, the price of crude petroleum rose rapidly to several times its cost (in real terms) in 1970. In the 1980s, the price of crude oil fell, and then fluctuated at relatively low levels until the early 2000s when it rose to close to its late 1970s values. The price then fell rapidly, and then rose again. Currently, the growth in oil demand in the developing world, the uncertainty in future extraction from established fields and discovery of new sources of oil, and the nonuniform concentration of petroleum reserves in a few nations, suggest that the balance between global oil production and transportation fuel demand will be tight over the next few decades. This uncertainty regarding the longer-term availability of adequate supplies of petroleum-based fuels is creating substantial pressures for significant improvements in internal combustion engine efficiency (in all the engine's many applications). Much work is being done to develop the supply and use of alternative fuels to gasoline and diesel. Of the nonpetroleum-based fuels, natural gas, methanol (methyl alcohol), and biomass-derived fuels such as ethanol (ethyl alcohol) and biodiesel are receiving significant attention. Synthetic gasoline and diesel are being made from tar (oil) sands, and could be produced from shale oil or coal. Hydrogen is being considered as a longer-term zero carbon containing possibility.

The growing consumption of fossil fuels has raised the concern that the greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from our energy supply and use are causing global warming that could lead to changes in our climate. Emissions of carbon dioxide, along with other GHGs—methane, nitrous oxide, three groups of fluorinated gases (sulfur hexafluoride, hydrofluorocarbons, and perfluorocarbons), ozone—will need to be significantly reduced over the next several decades. Thus, internal combustion engines will need to become more efficient, and low GHG emitting sources of energy will need to be developed so that consumption of petroleum-based fuels—gasoline and diesel—can be significantly reduced. Transportation is estimated to be the source of about one-quarter of the world's GHG emissions.

Table 1.3 lists the CO_2 emissions of various fuels and other sources of energy that might be used in transportation. Emissions from the various fossil fuels listed vary by about a factor of two. Emissions from biofuel production are generally lower (and could be significantly lower), depending on the biomass feedstock, the choice of fuel produced, and the process used to produce that fuel.^b

The lower value given for hydrogen (which contains no carbon) is based on the current industrial hydrogen production process—steam reforming of natural gas. The electricity carbon dioxide-emissions intensity value depends on the mix of coal, natural gas, nuclear, hydro, wind (and solar) used to generate the electricity. While this electricity generating mix varies country to country, the major roles of coal and natural gas are common to most regions.

^bThe conversion of the carbon in the biomass source to CO₂ is often regarded as "carbon neutral" since that carbon came from CO₂ in the atmosphere. This topic is the subject of ongoing research.

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	gCO ₂ /MJ
Gasoline	93
Diesel (fuel oil)	99
Natural gas	74
Liquid petroleum gas	86
Ethanol*	34–73
Biodiesel	45–73
Hydrogen [†]	100-200
Electricity [‡]	90-160

TABLE 1.3 CO, emissions per unit chemical energy from various fuels or energy sources9

What would such fuel changes mean for internal combustion engines? With appropriate changes in engine design and operation, natural gas and the liquid fuels listed in Table 1.3 can be effectively utilized; indeed engines using these fuels are in use today. While the potential for hydrogen as a major transportation energy source (actually an *energy storage* medium) is partly based on large-scale use of highly efficient fuel cell technology, it can be used effectively in suitably designed SI engines. Vehicle propulsion system electrification is already occurring through the use of hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) technology—a combination of a battery, electric motor, internal combustion engine, and generator. The next step in vehicle electrification is to expand the battery's energy storage capacity and recharge (in part) from the electricity supply grid: deployment of this plug-in hybrid (PHEV) technology is occurring. HEV and PHEV propulsion systems require an internal combustion engine, albeit with specific characteristics that improve its efficiency (see Sec. 1.7.2). Some view the pure battery electric vehicle is the final step in this electrification process. Whether, and how far into the future complete electrification might occur is currently unclear.

This brings us back to internal combustion engines. It might be thought that after over a century of development, the internal combustion engine has reached its peak and little potential for further improvement remains. Such is not the case. As spark-ignition and diesel engine technology evolves, these engines continue to show substantial improvements in efficiency, power density, degree of emission control, and operational capacity. Changes in engine operation and design are steadily improving engine performance in its broadest sense. New materials becoming available and more knowledge-based design offer the potential for continuing to reduce engine weight, size, and cost, for a given power output, and for different and more efficient internal combustion engine concepts. Emissions control technologies, in both the engine and the exhaust system, are becoming more effective and robust. Variable valve control is replacing fixed valve control approaches, with performance and efficiency benefits. Direct-injection gasoline engines, which offer improved dynamic engine control relative to port fuel injection, are now in large-scale production. These technologies are enabling increasing deployment of more highly boosted turbocharged gasoline and diesel engines. 10 Looking ahead, the engine development opportunities of the future are many and substantial. While they present a formidable challenge to automotive engineers, they will be made possible in large part by the enormous expansion of our knowledge of engine processes that the last several decades have witnessed.

^{*}Varies with biomass feedstock and process used.

[†]From steam reforming of natural gas (low end) or from electrolysis (high end).

[‡]Depends on electricity generating system source mix (especially the fraction from coal).

1.2 ENGINE CLASSIFICATIONS

There are many different types of internal combustion engines. They can be classified by:11

- 1. *Application*. Automobile, truck, bus, locomotive, light aircraft, marine, portable power system, power generation
- Basic engine configuration. Reciprocating engines (in turn subdivided by arrangement of cylinders: e.g., in-line, V, radial, opposed), rotary engines (Wankel and other geometries)
- 3. Working cycle. Four-stroke cycle: naturally-aspirated (admitting atmospheric air), supercharged (admitting precompressed air), and turbocharged (admitting air compressed in a compressor driven by an exhaust turbine). Two-stroke cycle: crankcase scavenged, supercharged, and turbocharged
- 4. Valve or port design and location. Four-stroke cycle: Overhead (or I-head) valves, underhead (or L-head) valves, with two, three, or four valves per cylinder, and fixed or variable valve control (timing, opening and closing points, and lift), rotary valves. Two-stroke cycle: cross-scavenged porting (inlet and exhaust ports on opposite sides of cylinder at one end), loop-scavenged porting (inlet and exhaust ports on same side of cylinder at one end), through- or uniflow-scavenged (inlet and exhaust ports or valves at different ends of cylinder)
- 5. Fuel. Gasoline (or petrol), fuel oil (or diesel fuel), natural gas, liquid petroleum gas (LPG), alcohols (methanol, ethanol), hydrogen, dual fuel
- 6. Method of mixture preparation. Carburetion or single-point fuel injection upstream of the throttle, fuel injection into the intake ports, fuel injection directly into the engine cylinder
- 7. Method of ignition. Spark ignition in engines where the in-cylinder fuel-air mixture is uniform and in stratified-charge engines where the mixture is nonuniform; compression ignition locally of the evolving in-cylinder fuel-air mixture in diesel engines, as well as ignition in natural gas engines by pilot injection of fuel oil)
- **8.** Combustion chamber design. Open chamber (many designs: e.g., disc, wedge, hemisphere, pent-roof, bowl-in-piston), divided chamber (small and large auxiliary chambers; many designs: e.g., swirl chambers, prechambers)
- **9.** *Method of load control.* Varying fuel and air flow together so mixture composition is essentially unchanged, control of fuel flow alone, a combination of these
- **10.** *Method of cooling.* Water cooled, air cooled, uncooled (other than by natural convection and radiation)

All these distinctions are important and they illustrate the breadth of engine designs available. Because this book approaches the operating and emissions characteristics of internal combustion engines from a fundamental point of view, method of ignition has been selected as the primary classifying feature. From the method of ignition—SI or CI^c—follow the important characteristics of the fuel used, method of mixture preparation, method of load control, combustion chamber design, details of the combustion process, engine emissions, and operating characteristics. Some of the other classifications are used as subcategories within this basic classification. The engine operating cycle—four-stroke or two-stroke is next in importance; the principles of these two cycles are described in the following section.

^{&#}x27;In the remainder of the book, these terms will often be abbreviated by SI and CI, respectively.

1.3 ENGINE OPERATING CYCLES

Most of this book is about *reciprocating engines*, where each piston moves back and forth in a cylinder and transmits power from the high-pressure and temperature burned gases inside the cylinder through the piston and the connecting rod and crank mechanism to the drive shaft as shown in Fig. 1.1. The rotation of the crank produces a cyclical piston motion. The piston comes to rest at the top-center (TC) crank position and bottom-center (BC) crank position when the cylinder volume is a minimum or maximum, respectively. The minimum cylinder volume is called the clearance volume V_c . The volume swept out by the piston, the difference between the maximum or total volume V_c and the clearance volume, is called the displaced or swept volume V_d . The ratio of maximum volume to minimum volume is the compression ratio v_c . Values of v_c are 8 to 12 for SI engines and typically in the ranges of 14 to 22 for CI engines.

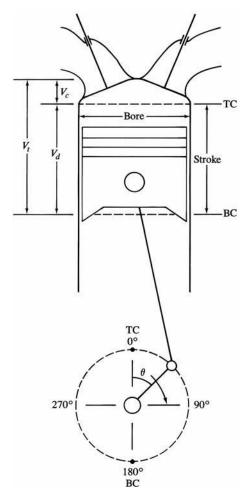


Figure 1.1 Basic geometry of the reciprocating internal combustion engine. V_c , V_d , and V_t indicate clearance, displaced, and total cylinder volumes.

^dThese crank positions are also referred to as top-dead-center (TDC) and bottom-dead-center (BDC).

The majority of reciprocating engines operate on what is known as the *four-stroke cycle*. Each cylinder requires four strokes of its piston—two revolutions of the crankshaft—to complete the sequence of events that produces one power stroke. Both SI and CI engines use this cycle that comprises (Fig. 1.2):

- 1. *An intake stroke*, which starts with the piston at TC and ends with the piston at BC, which draws fresh air or fuel-air mixture into the cylinder. To increase the mass inducted, the inlet valve opens shortly before the stroke starts and closes after it ends.
- A compression stroke, which starts with the piston at BC and ends at TC, when the
 mixture inside the cylinder is compressed to a small fraction of its initial volume.
 Toward the end of the compression stroke, combustion is initiated and the cylinder pressure rises more rapidly.
- 3. A power stroke, or expansion stroke, which starts with the piston at TC and ends at BC as the high-temperature, high-pressure gases push the piston down and force the crank to rotate. About five times as much work is done on the piston during the power stroke as the piston had to do during compression. As the piston approaches BC, the exhaust valve opens to initiate the exhaust process and drop the cylinder pressure to close to the exhaust system pressure.
- 4. An exhaust stroke, where, as the piston moves from BC to TC, the remaining burned gases exit the cylinder: first, because the cylinder pressure may be significantly higher than the exhaust pressure; then as these gases are swept out by the piston as it moves toward TC. As the piston approaches TC the inlet valve opens and just after TC the exhaust valve closes. The cycle then starts again.

Though often called the Otto cycle after its inventor, Nicolaus Otto, who built the first engine operating on these principles in 1876, the more descriptive four-stroke nomenclature is preferred.

The four-stroke cycle requires, for each engine cylinder, two crankshaft revolutions for each power stroke. To obtain a higher power output from a given engine size, and a simpler valve design, the *two-stroke* cycle was developed. The two-stroke cycle is applicable to both SI and CI engines.

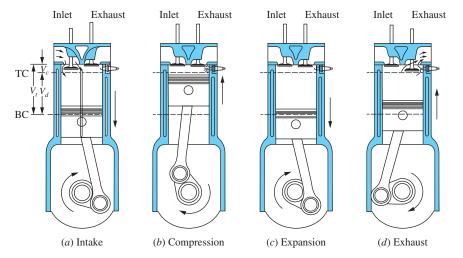


Figure 1.2 The four-stroke operating cycle.¹²

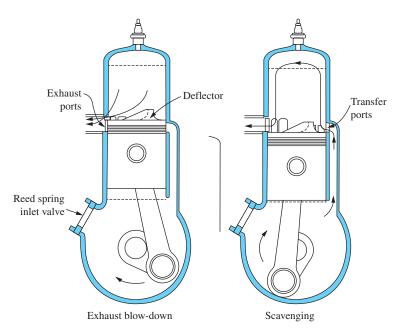


Figure 1.3 The two-stroke operating cycle. A crankcase-scavenged engine is shown. 12

Figure 1.3 shows one of the simplest types of two-stroke engine designs. Ports in the cylinder liner, opened and closed by the piston motion, control the exhaust flow out of the cylinder and the fresh charge flow into the cylinder, while the piston is close to BC. The two strokes are:

- 1. A compression stroke, which starts with the closing of the fresh charge transfer ports and then the exhaust ports, and compresses the cylinder contents as the piston moves up the cylinder, and also draws fresh charge into the crankcase through the inlet Reed valve. As the piston approaches TC, combustion is initiated.
- 2. A power or expansion stroke, similar to that in the four-stroke cycle until the piston approaches BC, when first the exhaust ports and then the transfer ports are uncovered (Fig. 1.3). Most of the burnt gases exit the cylinder in an exhaust blowdown process. When the transfer ports are uncovered, the fresh charge that has been compressed in the crankcase flows into the cylinder. The piston and the ports are generally shaped to deflect the incoming charge from flowing directly into the exhaust ports, and to achieve effective scavenging of the residual in-cylinder burned gases by this fresh charge.

Each engine cycle with one power stroke is completed in one crankshaft revolution. However, it is difficult to fill completely the displaced volume with fresh charge, and some of the fresh mixture flows directly out of the cylinder during the scavenging process.^e The example shown is a *cross-scavenged* design; other approaches use *loop-scavenging* or *uniflow* gas exchange processes (see Sec. 6.6).

[&]quot;It is primarily for this reason that two-stroke SI engines are at a disadvantage because the lost fresh charge contains fuel and air.

1.4 ENGINE COMPONENTS

Cutaway drawings of a four-stroke spark-ignition (SI) engine and a diesel (CI) engine are shown in Figs. 1.4 and 1.5, respectively. The SI engine is a four-cylinder in-line automobile engine. The major components are labeled. The diesel is a six-cylinder in-line heavy-duty truck engine. The function of the major components of these engines and their construction materials will now be reviewed.

The engine cylinders are contained in the engine block. The block has traditionally been made of gray cast iron because of its good wear resistance and low cost, but is often now made of aluminum. Passages for the cooling water are cast into the block. Heavyduty and truck engines often use removable cylinder sleeves pressed into the block that can be replaced when worn. These are called *wet liners* or *dry liners* depending on whether the sleeve is in direct contact with the cooling water. Aluminum is used in automotive SI engine blocks to reduce engine weight. Iron cylinder liners may be inserted at the casting stage, or later on in the machining and assembly process. The crankcase is often integral with the cylinder block.

The crankshaft has traditionally been a steel forging; nodular cast iron crankshafts are also accepted practice in automotive engines. The crankshaft is supported in main bearings. The number of crankshaft bearings depends largely on the engine's loading and maximum speed. The maximum number of main bearings is one more than the number of cylinders; there may be less. The crank has eccentric portions (crank throws); the connecting rod big-end bearings attach to the crank pin on each throw. Both main and connecting rod bearings use steel-backed precision inserts with bronze, babbit, or aluminum as the bearing materials. The crankcase is sealed at the bottom with a pressed-steel or cast aluminum oil pan, which acts as an oil reservoir for the lubricating system.

Pistons are made of aluminum in smaller engines or cast iron in larger slower-speed engines. The piston both seals the cylinder and transmits the combustion-generated gas pressure to the crank pin via the connecting rod. The connecting rod, usually a steel or alloy forging (though sometimes aluminum), is fastened to the piston by means of a steel piston pin through the rod upper end. The piston pin is usually hollow to reduce its weight.

The oscillating motion of the connecting rod exerts an oscillating force on the cylinder walls via the piston skirt (the region below the piston rings). The piston skirt is usually shaped to provide appropriate thrust surfaces. The piston is fitted with rings that ride in grooves cut in the piston head to seal against gas leakage and control oil flow. The upper ring is the compression ring that is forced outward against the cylinder wall and downward onto the groove face. The lower rings scrape the surplus oil from the cylinder wall to reduce exposure to the hot burned gases, and return it to the crankcase. The crankcase must be ventilated to remove gases that blow by the piston rings, to prevent pressure buildup. The crankcase gases are recycled to the engine intake.

The cylinder head (or heads in V engines) seals off the cylinders and is made of aluminum or cast iron. It must be strong and rigid to distribute the gas forces acting on the head as uniformly as possible through the engine block. The cylinder head contains the spark plug (for an SI engine) or fuel injector (for a CI or direct-injection engine), and, in overhead valve engines, parts of the valve mechanism.

The valves shown in Fig. 1.4 are poppet valves, the valve type normally used in four-stroke engines. The engine shown has one intake and one exhaust valve: most modern engines have four valves per cylinder (two intake and two exhaust valves), or three valves (two intake and one exhaust). Valves are made from forged alloy steel; the cooling of the exhaust valve, which operates at up to about 700°C, may be enhanced by using a hollow stem partially filled with sodium, which through evaporation and condensation carries heat

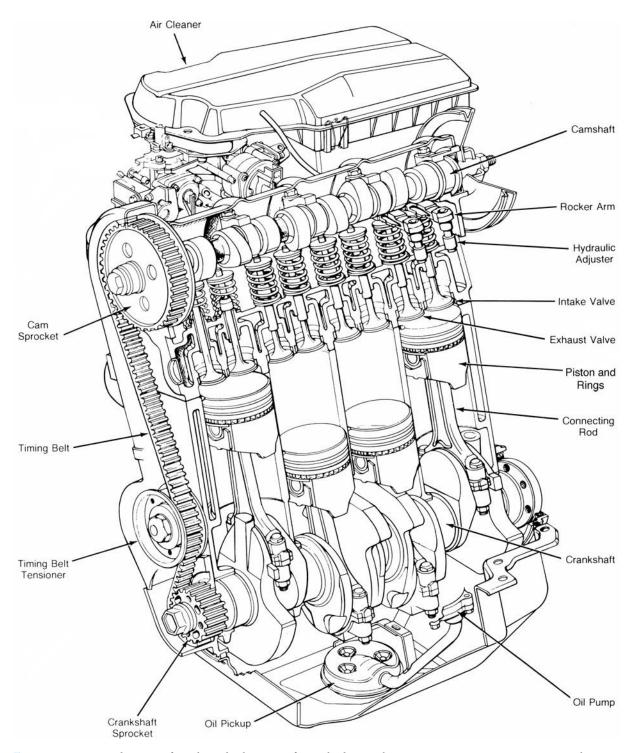


Figure 1.4 Cutaway drawing of 2.2-liter displacement four-cylinder spark-ignition engine. Bore 87.5 mm, stroke 92 mm, compression ratio 8.9.

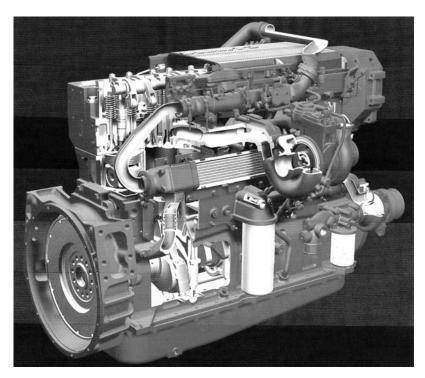


Figure 1.5 Cross-section drawing of a four-stroke cycle 6.7-liter in-line six-cylinder turbocharged diesel engine. Bore 107 mm, stroke 124 mm, compression ratio 17.3, maximum torque 1200 N⋅m at 1600 rev/min, maximum power 285 kW at 2800 rev/min. (*Courtesy Cummins Engines*.)

from the hot valve head to the cooler stem. Most modern SI engines have overhead valve locations (sometimes called valve-in-head or I-head configurations) as shown in Fig. 1.4. This geometry leads to a compact combustion chamber with minimum heat losses and flame travel time, and improves the breathing capacity. Older geometries such as the L head where valves are to one side of the cylinder are now only used in small low-cost engines.

The valve stem moves in a valve guide, which can be an integral part of the cylinder head (or engine block for L-head engines), or may be a separate unit pressed into the head (or block). The valve seats may be cut in the head or block metal (if cast iron) or hard steel inserts may be pressed into the head or block. A valve spring, attached to the valve stem with a spring washer and split keeper, holds the valve closed. A valve rotator turns the valves a few degrees on opening to wipe the valve seat, avoid local hot spots, and prevent deposits building up in the valve guide.

A camshaft made of cast iron or forged steel with one cam per valve (or pair of valves in four valves per cylinder engines) is used to open and close the valves. The cam surfaces are hardened to obtain adequate life. In four-stroke cycle engines, camshafts turn at one-half the crankshaft speed. Mechanical or hydraulic lifters or tappets slide in the block and ride or roll on the cam. Depending on valve and camshaft location, additional members are required to transmit the tappet motion to the valve stem; for example, in in-head valve engines with the camshaft at the side, a push rod and rocker arm are used. A trend in high-speed automotive engines is to mount the camshaft over the head with the cams acting either directly or through a pivoted follower on the valve. Also, variable control of valve opening and closing as a function of engine operating conditions, in its simplest form using

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a camshaft phasing device, is replacing fixed valve timing engine designs. Camshafts are gear, belt, or chain driven from the crankshaft.

An intake manifold (aluminum, cast iron, or plastic) and an exhaust manifold (generally of cast iron) complete the SI engine assembly. Other engine components specific to SI engines—fuel injectors, ignition systems—are described in more detail in the remaining sections in this chapter.

The four-stroke cycle diesel engine shown in Fig. 1.5 is an in-line six-cylinder design commonly used for large trucks. The engine is turbocharged to increase the amount of air that enters the cylinder each cycle. The turbocharger consists of a centrifugal compressor (which compresses the air prior to entry into the cylinder on the same shaft as the exhaust-gas-driven turbine that powers the compressor). In diesel engines, the fuel injectors are mounted in the cylinder head. Diesel fuel-injection systems are discussed in more detail in Sec. 1.8.

1.5 MULTICYLINDER ENGINES

Small engines are used in many applications: for example, lawn mowers, chain saws, in portable power generation, as outboard motorboat engines, and in motorcycles. These are often single-cylinder engines. In the above applications, simplicity and low cost in relation to the power generated are the most important characteristics; fuel consumption, engine vibration, high power to weight or volume ratio, and engine durability are usually less important. A single-cylinder engine gives only one power stroke per revolution (two-stroke cycle) or two revolutions (four-stroke cycle). Hence, the individual cycle torque pulses are widely spaced, and engine vibration and smoothness are significant issues.

Multicylinder configurations are invariably used in practice in all but the smallest engines. As rated power increases, the advantages of smaller cylinders in regard to bulk size, weight, improved engine performance, and engine balance and smoothness all point toward increasing the number of cylinders so the engine's total displaced volume is spread out amongst several smaller cylinders. The increased frequency of power strokes with smaller and increasing number of cylinders produces more frequent and smaller torque pulses, and thus smoother output. The forces in each component are smaller, so structural design requirements are reduced. Multicylinder engines can also achieve a much better state of balance than single-cylinder engines. A force must be applied to each piston to accelerate it during the first half of its travel from BC or TC. The piston then exerts a force on the crankshaft as it decelerates during the second part of the stroke. It is desirable to cancel these inertia forces through the choice of number and arrangement of cylinders to achieve a *primary* balance. Note, however, that the motion of the piston is more rapid during the upper half of its stroke than during the lower half (a consequence of the connecting rod and crank mechanism evident from Fig. 1.1; see also Sec. 2.2). The resulting inequality in acceleration and deceleration of pairs of pistons (one moving up and one moving down) produces corresponding differences in inertia forces generated. Certain combinations of cylinder number and arrangement balance out these *secondary* inertia force effects.

For a given engine displaced volume, the larger the number of cylinders, the higher the engine's maximum power. The reciprocating speed of an engine's pistons is limited by the airflow into each cylinder. Once the flow through the intake valve becomes sonic—reaches the speed of sound—higher piston speeds do not increase airflow. For a given engine displacement, increasing the number of cylinders, and thus reducing their size, raises the crankshaft rotational speed at which this sonic airflow limit is reached. Since engine power is proportional to the engine's rotational (crankshaft) speed, maximum performance is improved.

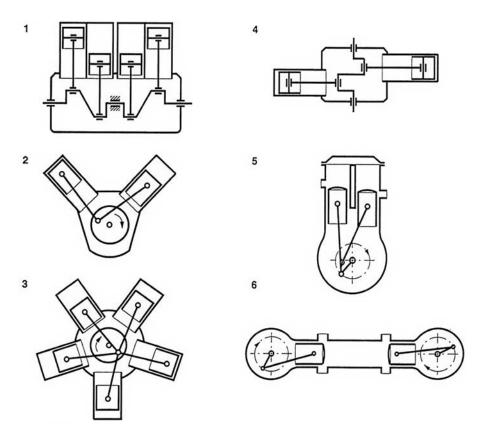


Figure 1.6 Multicylinder engine configurations: (1) In-line engine; (2) V-engine; (3) Radial engine; (4) Opposed-cylinder engine; (5) U-engine; (6) Opposed-piston engine.¹³ (*Courtesy Robert Bosch GmbH and SAE*.)

Other operational issues are affected by cylinder size. The relative importance of heat losses from the in-cylinder gases depends on the relative importance of the combustion chamber surface area to its volume. The SI engine compression-ratio limiting phenomenon called knock is adversely affected by the flame travel distance (spark plug gap to farthest combustion chamber wall).

Common four-stroke multicylinder configurations are shown in Fig. 1.6. ¹³ These multicylinder configurations normally use equal crankshaft rotation firing intervals between cylinders. In *in-line engines*, the cylinders are arranged in a single plane. Three-, four-, five-, and six-cylinder in-line configurations are used. Four-cylinder in-line engines are the most common arrangement for automobile engines from 1.2 to about 2.5-liter displacement. An example of this in-line arrangement is shown in Fig. 1.4. It is compact—an important consideration for small passenger cars. It provides two torque pulses per revolution of the crankshaft, and primary inertia forces (though not secondary forces) are balanced. Six-cylinder in-line diesel engines are commonly used in the truck market with up to 12-liter displacement.

The vee (V) arrangement, with two banks of cylinders set at an angle to each other, provides a compact engine block and is used extensively for larger displacement automotive engines. Vee six, eight, ten, and twelve configurations are used. In a V-6 engine, the six cylinders are arranged in two banks of three, usually with a 60° angle between their axis.

Six cylinders are normally used in gasoline SI engines in the 2.4- to 3.6-liter displacement range. Six-cylinder engines provide smoother operation with three torque pulses per revolution. The in-line arrangement is fully balanced. However, it gives rise to crankshaft torsional vibration, and also makes even distribution of air to each cylinder more difficult. The V-6 arrangement is more compact than an in-line 6, and provides primary balance of the reciprocating components. With the V-engine, however, a rocking moment is imposed on the crankshaft due to the secondary inertia forces, which results in the engine being less well balanced than the in-line version. The V-8 arrangement, in sizes between 3.2 and 6 or more liters, is commonly used to provide compact, smooth, low-vibration, larger-displacement, SI engines, as are V-10 and V-12 designs.

The radial engine configuration, with cylinders arranged in one or more radial planes, as shown, was common in larger piston-driven aircraft engines. Opposed cylinder engine designs are occasionally used. As Fig. 1.6 indicates, the motion of pairs of pistons with this design is fully balanced. The U-cylinder configuration, where the pistons move in the same direction, and the opposed-piston configuration have been used in special purpose two-stroke engine concepts.

1.6 SPARK-IGNITION ENGINE OPERATION

In SI engines, the fuel must be vaporized and well mixed with the air inducted into the cylinder, prior to combustion. Historically, the fuel flow was metered with a carburetor or single-point fuel-injection system (Fig. 1.7a) upstream of the throttle, which controls the airflow. This approach has been superceded by intake-port fuel injection (Fig. 1.7b) where a pulsed liquid fuel spray is directed toward the intake valve. Injection of gasoline directly into each cylinder (Fig. 1.7c) is now in large-scale production. Moving the point of fuel injection closer to the cylinder enables better dynamic response during engine transients.

Figure 1.8 shows the layout of a modern SI engine management system. The airflow, fuel flow, exhaust gas characteristics, and engine operating state are all monitored and controlled as shown to provide the desired engine performance with good combustion characteristics, high efficiency, and low exhaust air pollutant emissions. The ratio of mass flow of air to mass flow of fuel must be held approximately constant at about 15 to ensure reliable

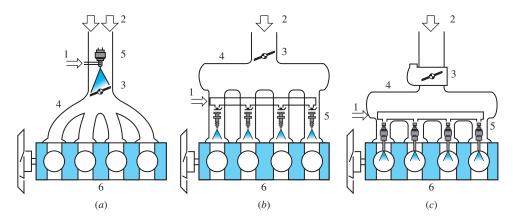


Figure 1.7 Different fuel-injection approaches for gasoline spark-ignition engines. (a) Single-point injection; (b) Multipoint port injection; (c) Direct in-cylinder injection. (1) Fuel supply; (2) Air supply; (3) Throttle valve; (4) Intake manifold; (5) Injectors; (6) Engine. (Courtesy Robert Bosch GmbH and SAE.)

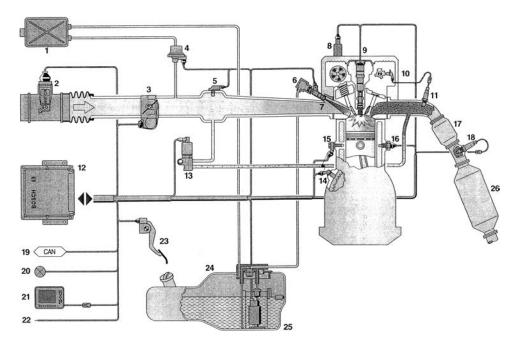


Figure 1.8 Schematic of modern port-injected engine management system (Bosch ME-Motronic system). (1) Carbon fuel-vapor absorbing canister; (2) Hot-film air-mass meter with integrated temperature sensor; (3) Throttle device; (4) Canister-purge valve; (5) Intake-manifold pressure sensor; (6) Fuel-distribution pipe; (7) Injector; (8) Actuators and sensors for variable valve timing; (9) Ignition coil with attached spark plug; (10) Camshaft phase sensor; (11) Lambda oxygen sensor upstream of primary catalytic converter; (12) Engine control unit; (13) Exhaust-gas recirculation valve; (14) Speed sensor; (15) Knock sensor; (16) Engine-temperature sensor; (17) Primary three-way catalytic converter; (18) Lambda oxygen sensor downstream of primary catalytic converter: (19) CAN interface; (20) Fault lamp; (21) Diagnosis interface; (22) Interface to immobilizer control unit; (23) Accelerator-pedal module with pedal-travel sensor; (24) Fuel tank; (25) In-tank unit with electric fuel pump, fuel filter, and fuel-pressure regulator; (26) Main three-way catalytic converter. (13) (Courtesy Robert Bosch GmbH and SAE.)

combustion and facilitate exhaust emissions control. The appropriate fuel flow is determined for the engine airflow in the following manner. The airflow into the intake system is measured with an air mass-flow meter. A throttle valve or plate, which can be opened or closed, controls the airflow. The appropriate amount of fuel required per cylinder per cycle to generate the desired engine output is then determined by the engine control unit. In naturally-aspirated engines, the intake airflow is reduced by throttling to below atmospheric pressure by reducing the flow area when the power required (at any engine speed) is below the maximum, which is obtained when the throttle is wide open.

The sequence of events that take place inside the engine cylinder is illustrated in Fig. 1.9. Several variables are plotted against crank angle through the entire four-stroke SI engine cycle. Crank angle is a useful independent variable because the various engine processes occupy almost constant crank angle intervals over a wide range of engine-operating conditions. The figure shows the valve opening and closing angles, and volume relationship, for a typical fixed valve-timing automotive SI engine. To maintain high mixture flows at high engine speeds (and thus high power outputs) the inlet valve, which opens before TC, closes substantially after BC. During intake, the inducted fuel and air mix in the cylinder

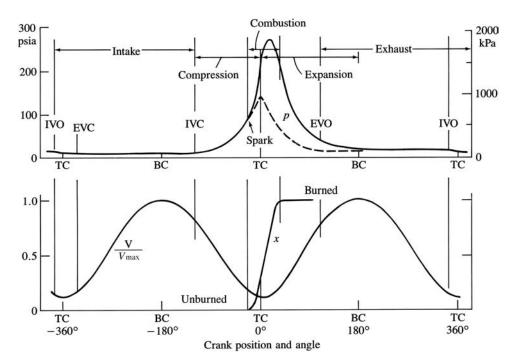


Figure 1.9 Sequence of events in four-stroke spark-ignition engine-operating cycle. Cylinder pressure p (solid line, firing cycle; dashed line, motored cycle), cylinder volume V/V_{max} , and mass fraction burned x_k are plotted against crank angle.

with the *residual* burned gases remaining from the previous cycle. After the intake valve closes, the cylinder contents are compressed to above atmospheric pressure and temperature as the cylinder volume is reduced. Some heat transfer between the in-cylinder gases and the piston, cylinder head, and cylinder walls occur—first a heating of the gases, then a cooling, but the effect on unburned gas properties is modest.

Between about 10 and 40 crank angle degrees before TC, an electrical discharge across the spark plug starts the combustion process. Before the desired ignition point, the ignition driver switches a current to the primary circuit of the ignition coil. At the ignition point, the primary winding is interrupted, generating in the secondary ignition coil winding that is connected to the spark plug, a high voltage across the plug electrodes as the magnetic field collapses. This switching is done electronically. A flame develops from the spark discharge, propagates through the mixture of air, fuel, and residual gas in the cylinder, and extinguishes at the combustion chamber walls. The duration of this burning process varies with engine design and operation, but is typically 40 to 60 crank angle degrees, as shown in Fig. 1.9. As fuel-air mixture burns in the flame, the cylinder pressure (solid line in Fig. 1.9) rises above the level due to compression alone (dashed line). This latter curve called the motored cylinder pressure—is the pressure trace obtained from a motored or nonfiring engine. Note that due to differences in the flow pattern and mixture composition between cylinders and within each cylinder, cycle-by-cycle, the development of each combustion process differs somewhat. As a result, the shape of the pressure versus crank angle curve in each cylinder, and cycle-by-cycle, is not exactly the same.

In practice, the intake and compression processes of a firing engine and a motored engine are not the same due to the presence of burned gases from the previous cycle under firing conditions.

There is an optimum spark timing which, for a given mass of fuel, air, and residual inside the cylinder, gives maximum torque. More advanced (earlier) timing or retarded (later) timing than this optimum gives lower output. Called *maximum brake-torque* (MBT) timing,^g this optimum timing is an empirical compromise between starting combustion too early in the compression stroke (when the work transfer is *to* the cylinder gases) and completing combustion too late in the expansion stroke (and so lowering peak expansion stroke pressures).

About two-thirds of the way through the expansion stroke, the exhaust valve starts to open. The cylinder pressure is significantly higher than the exhaust manifold pressure and a *blowdown* process occurs. The burned gases flow through the valve into the exhaust port and manifold until the cylinder pressure and exhaust pressure equilibrate. The duration of this process depends on the pressure level in the cylinder. The piston then *displaces* most of the remaining burned gases from the cylinder into the manifold during the exhaust stroke. The exhaust valve opens before the end of the expansion stroke to ensure that the blowdown process does not last too far into the exhaust stroke when the piston travels upwards. The actual timing is a compromise that balances reduced work transfer *to the piston* before BC against reduced work transfer *to the cylinder contents* after BC.

The exhaust valve remains open until just after TC; the intake opens just before TC. The valves are opened and closed slowly to avoid noise and excessive cam wear. To ensure the valves are fully open when piston velocities are at their highest, the valve open periods usually overlap somewhat. If the intake flow is throttled to below exhaust manifold pressure, then backflow of burned gases from the cylinder into the intake manifold occurs when the intake valve is first opened. During the valve overlap period, backflow of burned gas from the exhaust port into the cylinder occurs.

With variable valve control, the trade-offs that fixed valve timing requires can be relaxed. The simplest approach varies intake and exhaust valve timing by rotating the camshafts to change their phasing relative to the crankshaft. More complex systems vary valve lift as well as varying the valve opening and closing angles. Variable valve control is attractive because it improves maximum engine power (at high speed) and maximum torque at lower speeds, and can improve part-load engine efficiency. It can also be used to control the mass of burned residual gas, and fresh air, trapped in the engine cylinder.

1.7 DIFFERENT TYPES OF FOUR-STROKE SI ENGINES

A variety of SI engines are used in practice, depending on the application. Small SI engines are used in many applications: in the home (e.g., lawn mowers, chain saws), in portable power generation, as outboard motorboat engines, and in motorcycles. These are often single-cylinder engines producing a few kW of power. In the above applications, light weight, small bulk, and low cost in relation to the power generated are the most important characteristics; fuel consumption, engine vibration, and engine durability are less important. A single-cylinder engine gives only one power stroke per crank revolution (two-stroke cycle) or two revolutions (four-stroke cycle). Hence, the torque pulses are widely spaced, and engine vibration and smoothness are significant problems.

Multicylinder engines are invariably used in automotive practice. As rated power increases, the advantages of smaller cylinders in regard to size, weight, power density, improved engine balance, and smoothness point toward increasing the number of cylinders per engine: see Sec. 1.5. Multicylinder SI engines (in the power range 25 to 400 kW) are used

^gMBT timing was traditionally defined as the minimum spark advance for best torque. Since the torque first increases and then decreases as spark timing is advanced, the definition used here is more precise.

in cars, light trucks, vans, light-duty commercial vehicles, and in stationary applications to produce mechanical and electrical power. Many of these markets are shared with diesel (CI) engines. Low engine emissions and high operating efficiency are important, especially in these transportation applications. Precise control of fuel and airflow is critical to achieving these objectives. What used to be the dominant fuel metering device—the carburetor—has been superceded by electrically controlled fuel injection into each intake port. Now, injection of the gasoline directly into each engine cylinder is coming into production (Fig. 1.7). Each of these technology steps improves control of the amount of fuel entering each cylinder per cycle, and thus the dynamic response of the engine to changes in load (engine output) and speed.

The work transfer per cycle to each piston depends on the amount of fuel burned per cylinder per cycle, which depends on the amount of fresh air inducted each cycle. Variable valve control over the engine's speed range can be used to increase the mass of air inducted into each cylinder in four-stroke SI engines (especially at low and high speed), and thus increase the wide-open-throttle torque and power. Engine output from a given displacement engine can be increased by boosting—increasing the density of the air supplied to the engine intake by compressing atmospheric air. Thus, compressing the air prior to entry into the cylinder with a supercharger or a turbocharger increases the output from a given displacement engine.

Examples of various types of SI engines in practical use follow to provide the context for reviewing critical engine processes, a primary objective of this text.

1.7.1 Spark-Ignition Engines with Port Fuel Injection

Spark-ignition (SI) engines have traditionally been operated with a premixed fuel vapor/air mixture inside the cylinder, prepared by feeding liquid gasoline into the engine intake. Carburetors were used to meter the fuel flow in proportion to the airflow. This technology has largely been replaced by port fuel injection (see Fig. 1.8) where an injector in each cylinder's intake port or manifold injects a pulsed fuel spray toward the intake valve, once per cycle. The hot valve surface and warm intake port (once the engine has warmed-up) promote rapid evaporation of the liquid fuel, and the airflow through the port(s) past the intake valve(s) and into the cylinder, coupled with the in-cylinder flow and mixing with the hot residual gas, produces a nearly homogeneous mixture by the time combustion starts. Here, we show some examples of SI engines with this method of mixture preparation.

Figure 1.10 shows a small single-cylinder air-cooled SI engine with a displaced volume of 149 cm³ and power output of 2.8 kW (3.9 hp). The objective of such simple construction SI engines is to produce modest power levels at low cost. A primary benefit of air-cooled, as compared to the water-cooled, engines is lower engine weight. The fins on the cylinder block and head are necessary to increase the external heat-transfer surface area to achieve the required heat rejection. In small engines, such as in Fig. 1.10, natural convection promotes adequate airflow around the outside of the engine. In larger engines, an air blower provides forced air convection over the block. The blower is driven off the driveshaft.

Figure 1.11 shows a turbocharged automobile engine that incorporates many of the features now used to improve engine performance and efficiency. The in-line arrangement with four cylinders provides a compact block, and when turbocharged, increases the power per unit engine displaced volume significantly. This engine features all-aluminum construction, four valves per cylinder, dual overhead camshafts, friction reducing roller finger followers in the valve train, variable phasing on each cam to control the relative phasing of intake and exhaust valves, and piston-cooling oil jets to control piston temperatures in this high-performance engine. Other performance enhancing features now being designed

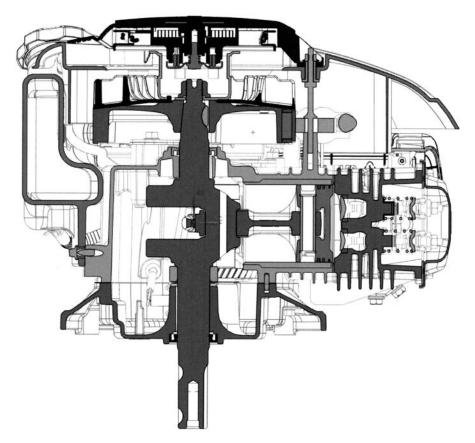


Figure 1.10 Cutaway drawing of single-cylinder air-cooled spark-ignition engine. Displacement 149 cm³, bore 65 mm, stroke 45 mm, compression ratio 9.2, maximum power 2.8 kW at 3000 rev/min. (*Courtesy Kohler Co.*)

into such automobile engines are cylinder cut out (or displacement on demand) where, for example, in a V-8 engine, at the lighter loads, the valves in half the cylinders are deactivated so only four cylinders provide torque. This reduces the pumping work over the exhaust and intake strokes and thereby improves engine fuel consumption.

Variable valve control improves engine performance, efficiency, and emissions (see Sec. 6.3.3). The simpler systems used vary the relative phasing of the intake and exhaust valve opening and closing by rotating the camshafts relative to the crankshaft. Valve lift profiles and open duration remain fixed. This is the approach used in the engine shown in Fig. 1.11. (The cam-phasing system is apparent upper center of the engine drawing.) More sophisticated approaches vary valve timing, lift profile, and open duration (e.g., BMW's Valvetronic system¹⁵). This technology can eliminate the need for throttle valves by accurately controlling the cylinder charging process by intake valve control.

1.7.2 SI Engines for Hybrid Electric Vehicles

The use of internal combustion engines in automotive hybrid propulsion systems is prompting additional SI engine developments. In such a hybrid system, an internal combustion engine, a generator, battery, and electric motor are combined. Figure 1.12 shows three categories of hybrid systems: a *parallel* hybrid, a *series* hybrid, and a *power split* hybrid. In the

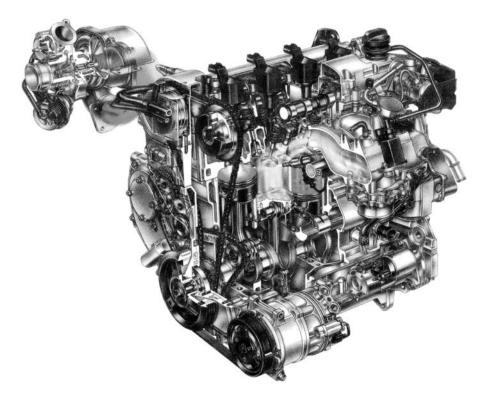


Figure 1.11 Cutaway drawing of General Motors four-cylinder turbocharged DI Ecotec gasoline spark-ignition engine. Displacement 2.0 liters, bore 86 mm, stroke 86 mm, compression ratio 9.2, maximum power 187 kW (250 hp) at 5300 rev/min, maximum torque 353 N·m (260 lb·ft) at 2000 rev/min. (Courtesy General Motors Corporation.)

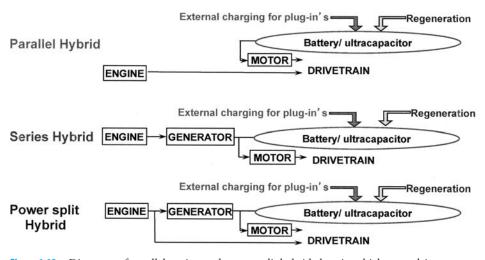


Figure 1.12 Diagrams of parallel, series, and power split hybrid electric vehicle propulsion systems.

parallel approach, the engine can drive the wheels directly, the battery can drive via the electric motor, or both can be combined to drive the wheels to obtain a high overall propulsion system efficiency at all loads and speeds.

In the series approach, the electric motor drives the vehicle's wheels. The engine can drive through the generator and motor, or recharge the battery via the generator. Since the vehicle is propelled solely by electrical energy, the engine is not coupled to the wheels. Thus its operating conditions are not dependent on the vehicle's operation so it can be operated in its higher efficiency modes. In the power-split system, a planetary gear set is used to transmit power from the engine. This arrangement allows both parallel and series-type operation to be combined. Power from the engine can flow directly to the wheels via the ring of the planetary gear system. Engine power can also flow through the generator, producing electrical power that can drive the wheels through the electric motor.

These hybrid propulsion systems provide increased vehicle drive efficiency relative to direct internal combustion engine drive for three basic reasons. First, regenerative braking—applying a braking torque by connecting the generator to the vehicle's wheels is then used to recharge the battery—converts a substantial fraction of the vehicle's kinetic energy as the vehicle slows down to store electrical energy. Second, when the engine is being used, it can operate much of the time at a higher efficiency than would be the case with a stand-alone engine vehicle propulsion system. Third, the battery electric drive mode allows the engine to be shut down when the vehicle is decelerating or idling.

Figure 1.13 shows an SI engine designed specifically for this application. The engine employs a modified version of the four-stroke cycle called the *Atkinson cycle*, where the volume ratio used for expansion is higher than the volume ratio for compression. The engine shown has a displaced volume of 1.5 liters, a geometric (TC to BC) compression/expansion ratio of 13:1, and uses variable valve timing with late intake valve closing during compression and late exhaust valve opening during expansion to achieve a higher

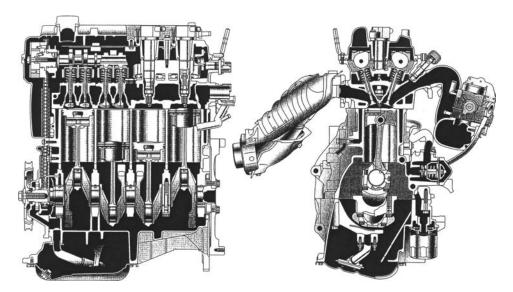


Figure 1.13 Four-cylinder Toyota spark-ignition engine designed for a hybrid electric automobile propulsion system. ¹⁶ This 1.5-liter (bore = 75 mm, stroke = 84.7 mm), four valves per cylinder, variable valve timing engine uses the Atkinson cycle with a geometric compression/expansion ratio of 13:1. Maximum power is 57 kW (76 hp) at 5000 rev/min. Valve timings are: intake opening 18 to –15° BTC, closing 72 to 105° ABC; exhaust opening 34° BBC, closing 2° ATC.

effective expansion than compression. This increases engine efficiency. Maximum engine speed is held to 5000 rev/min to minimize the pumping penalties of this Atkinson cycle approach.

An alternative to this hybrid electric vehicle (HEV) system, which overall is powered solely by a fuel such as gasoline, is the plug-in hybrid (PHEV) system. Here a larger battery, with some 10 to 30 mile (15 to 50 km) all electric driving range rather than the electric range of a few miles of the HEV system, is used that can be recharged from the electrical grid. Thus the PHEV can be driven with electricity or with a hydrocarbon fuel similarly to an HEV. There is an important but different role for SI engines (and potentially diesels) to play as a key component of these more efficient hybrid systems: the engine preserves the driving flexibility that vehicles require, as the electrification of propulsion systems continues to evolve.

1.7.3 Boosted SI Engines

The work transfer to each piston per cycle that can be obtained from a given displacement engine determines the amount of torque the engine can deliver. This work transfer depends on the amount of fuel that can be burned in each cylinder each cycle. This depends on the amount of fresh air that is inducted into each cylinder each cycle. Increasing the air density prior to its entry into each cylinder thus increases the maximum torque that an engine of a given displacement can deliver. This can be done with a supercharger, a compressor mechanically driven by the engine. More often it is done with a turbocharger, a compressor-turbine combination, which uses the energy available in the engine exhaust stream to provide via the turbine the power required to compress the intake air.

Figure 1.14 shows a cutaway drawing of a turbocharged automobile SI engine, which illustrates how the turbocharger connects with the engine's cylinders. The airflow passes through an air filter (1) into a centrifugal compressor (2) where the radially outward flowing air is compressed by the rotating varies. Next the air flows through an intercooler (3) to reduce the compressed air temperature (further increasing its density), through the intake manifold (4) into the intake port where the fuel is injected, past the intake valve (5), and into the cylinder (6). When the exhaust valve (7) opens, the hot and higher-than-atmospheric pressure exhaust gas flows through the valve and exhaust manifold (8) into the turbine (9). The exhaust gas is directed radially inward and circumferentially at high velocity by vanes (nozzles) onto the turbine wheel's blades where some of the exhaust gas energy is extracted as work or power. The turbine drives the compressor. A wastegate (valve) just upstream of the turbine bypasses some of the exhaust gas flow when necessary to prevent the boost pressure becoming too high. The wastegate linkage (11) is controlled by a boost pressure regulator (12). Figure 1.15 shows a cutaway drawing of a small automotive turbocharger. The arrangement of the compressor and turbine rotors connected via the central shaft and of the turbine and compressor flow passages are evident.

Increasing the intake air density, through boosting, increases the mass of air trapped within the cylinder, the mass of fuel burned, and thus the torque a given size engine can protrude. Torque increases of more than a factor of two can be realized. Turbocharging of SI engines is made difficult by the SI engine's knock constraint. The onset of knock (the rapid spontaneous ignition of a fraction of the in-cylinder fuel-air mixture) during the latter part of combustion) depends on the maximum mixture temperature and pressure reached inside the engine cylinder, and boosting raises both these variables. Special measures such as reducing the compression ratio, higher octane—better knock resisting—fuels have to be used to control knock. Direct fuel injection into the cylinder (see following section), with its charge-cooling effect, eases this problem.

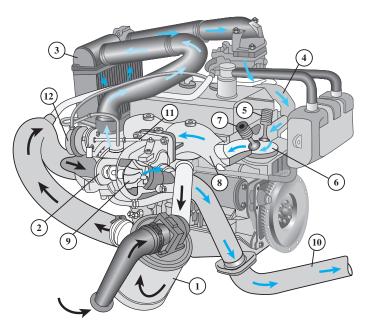


Figure 1.14 Drawing of turbocharger system connected to four-cylinder automobile spark-ignition engine. See text for details. (*Courtesy Regie Nationale des Usines.*)

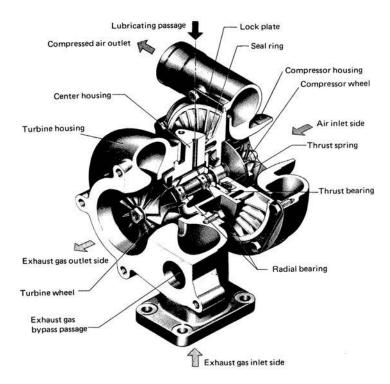


Figure 1.15 Cutaway view of small automotive SI engine turbocharger. (Courtesy Nissan Motor Co. Ltd.)

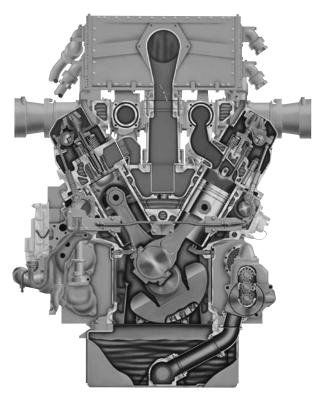


Figure 1.16 Large natural-gas-fueled boosted SI engine used in electric power generation. Bore 170 mm, stroke 190 mm, displaced volume per cylinder 4.3 liters, compression ratio 12:1, power (eight cylinders) 965 kW at 1500 rev/min. (*Courtesy Caterpillar, Inc.*)

A different type of boosted SI engine is large natural-gas fueled engines. These are used in electric power generation, propulsion, and marine applications. An example is shown in Fig. 1.16. It uses an encapsulated spark plug with orifices to improve ignition.

1.7.4 Direct-Injection SI Engines

Since the 1920s, attempts have been made to develop internal combustion engines that combine the best features of the SI engine and the diesel. By injecting the gasoline fuel directly into each cylinder of the engine, better control of the fuel's behavior can be achieved, improving the engine's dynamic performance, permitting use of higher compression ratios, and reducing the losses resulting from throttling the airflow in the standard port-injected SI engine. Diesels are more efficient because they operate close to the optimum compression ratio (14 to 18), operate fuel lean (with excess air), and control engine output by varying the fuel flow rate while leaving the airflow unthrottled. Historically, direct-injection SI engines have often been called *stratified-charge engines* since to realize all these benefits, the mixing process between the evaporating fuel jet and the air in the cylinder must produce a "stratified" or nonuniform fuel-air mixture, with an easily ignitable composition at the spark plug at the time of ignition, and with excess air surrounding the fuel-containing spray.

Over the years, many different types of stratified-charge engine have been proposed; some are now being used in practice.¹⁷ The operating principles of three of these early

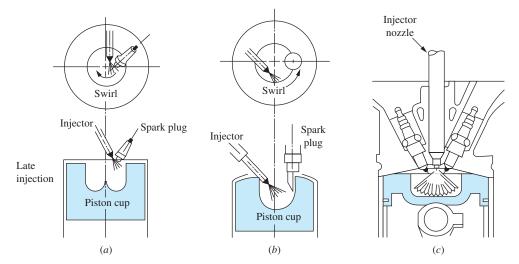


Figure 1.17 Three historical stratified-charge engines that were developed for production: (a) Texaco Controlled Combustion System (TCCS);¹⁸ (b) M.A.N.-FM Combustion System;¹⁹ (c) Ford PROCO Combustion System.²⁰

designs are shown in Fig. 1.17. The combustion chambers are bowl-in-piston designs, and a high degree of air swirl (rotation about the cylinder axis) is created during intake and enhanced in the piston bowl during compression to achieve rapid fuel-air mixing. With the Texaco¹⁸ and MAN¹⁹ systems (Figs. 1.17*a* and *b*), fuel is injected into the cylinder in tangentially into the bowl during the latter stages of compression. A long-duration spark discharge ignites the fuel-air jet as it passes the spark plug; the flame spreads downstream, and consumes the fuel-air mixture. Figure 1.17*c* shows the Ford PROCO system²⁰ with its centrally located injector and hollow cone spray injected earlier in the compression stroke to get more complete fuel vapor/air mixing, so that high air utilization could be achieved to obtain high outputs.

Modern direct-injection SI engines are often divided in so-called spray-guided, wall-guided, and air-guided categories: see Fig. 1.18. This classification is based on the primary mechanism used to control the development of the fuel spray. In practice, mixture stratification is achieved through a combination of these mechanisms. The Texaco TCCS system in Fig. 1.17*a* and the PROCO system in Fig. 1.17*c* are examples of the former. The MAN system, Fig. 1.17*b*, is primarily wall guided (with air swirl also playing an important role). The Texaco system, Fig. 1.17*a*, is also air guided, with high air swirl generated during intake and augmented by the bowl-in-piston combustion chamber during compression. Many systems with significantly different geometric details are now being developed and employed in production: See Sec. 7.7.2. Generally, spray-guided approaches require a closer spacing between the injector and spark plug electrode location, as shown in Fig. 1.18, to limit the dispersion of the fuel spray and provide substantial mixture stratification. Wider spacing allows more time for fuel-air mixing, produces a more uniform composition spray, but then requires a specific combination of charge motion and wall guiding to achieve the desired spray behavior, and combustion, and emissions characteristics.

Figure 1.19 shows a production example of a direct-injected (DI) wall-guided system. This Mitsubishi gasoline DI engine used a spherically shaped cavity in the piston crown and an upright intake port to generate a reverse tumbling airflow in the cylinder during intake,



Figure 1.18 Illustrations of spray-guided, wall-guided, and air-guided direct-injection SI combustion systems.¹⁷

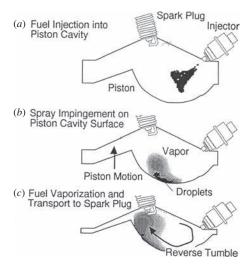


Figure 1.19 Mitsubishi gasoline direct-injection SI engine design. It uses a wide spacing between injector and spark plug; the spray is guided by the hemispherical piston cavity, and the reverse tumble produced by the upright intake port. In this 1.83-liter, four-cylinder, 12:1 compression ratio engine, the bore is 81 mm and the stroke is 89 mm. The fuel system uses an electromagnetic-controlled high pressure (5 MPa) swirl injector.²¹

to "guide" the developing spray toward the spark plug in the center of the cylinder head. Figure 1.20 shows a Toyota direct-injection engine design that uses a fan-shaped fuel spray directed into a shell-shaped bowl in the piston crown to provide rapid air-fuel mixing and fuel vaporization, and by the in-cylinder flow set-up by the straight intake port, to guide the spray so it reaches the spark plug location at the appropriate point in the cycle. To achieve high engine outputs, both these concepts transition from *late injection* (i.e., injection during the latter half of the compression stroke) when stratified operation is desired, to *early injection* (injection during the intake stroke) when essentially complete mixing of the injected fuel with *all* the air in the cylinder is required. This latter mode is called *homogeneous-charge* operation, as distinct from stratified operation.

Homogeneous-charge operation at all engine loads and speeds is a viable directinjection SI engine approach, and is used in production engines. While the efficiency benefit of stratified operation with excess air (which the diesel enjoys) is lost, the in-cylinder charge cooling due to liquid fuel vaporization that increases the amount of air inducted and reduces the propensity of the engine to knock, and the more accurate control of fuel flow during engine transients, are retained. Homogeneous direct-injection engine concepts