NOVEL APPROACHES TO EVALUATION, MODELLING AND EMULATION OF ADVANCED BOOSTING SYSTEMS

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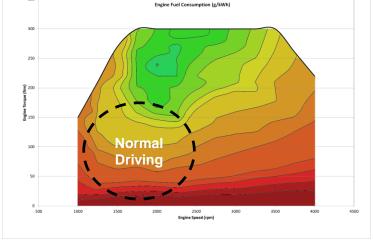


Introduction – Why boost an engine?

Engines are efficient at high load



Drive for reduced Fuel Consumption



Shift high efficiency region towards lower torques

Smaller engines do this by reducing overall friction & throttling losses at part load, Boosting system required to recover torque curve of smaller engine

Replace big engines...

With Smaller Engines????



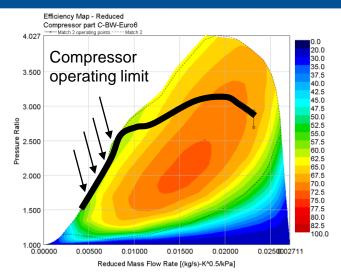
109,000 bhp Wärtsilä-Sulzer RTA96-C

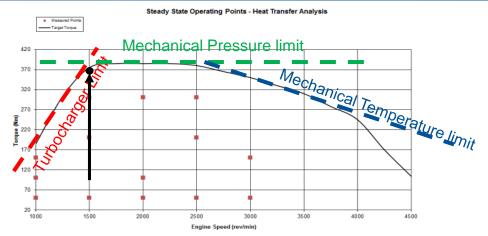
Length 26.59 metres (87 ft)
Height 13.5 metres (44 ft)
Dry weight over 2,300 tons
Bore 960 mm, Stroke 2,500 mm Displacement 1810 litres per cylinder
Engine speed 22–120 RPM
Best specific fuel consumption 160 g/(kW·h)

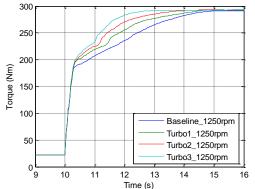


140PS (~103kW) Ford Fox 3 cylinder 1L 210Nm torque, BSFC~ 240g/kWh

Boosting Challenges







Requirements of a future Airpath

- Emissions
- Fuel economy
- Transient response
- Electrification
- Thermal management
- All in real world operating conditions

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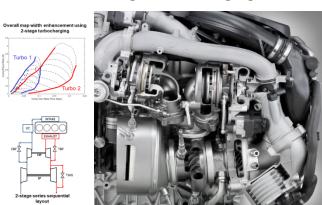
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Boosting Technologies

VG Turbine (multiple turbines) /VG compressors (Multiple Compressors)



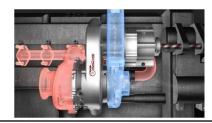
Multi-stage turbocharging



Turbo super and mechanical compounding

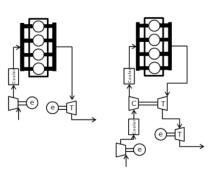


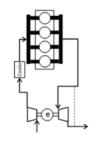
Torotrak V-Charge System

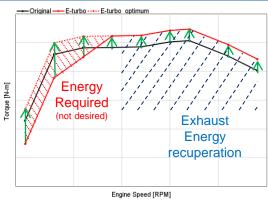


Boosting Electrification

E-Turbo application



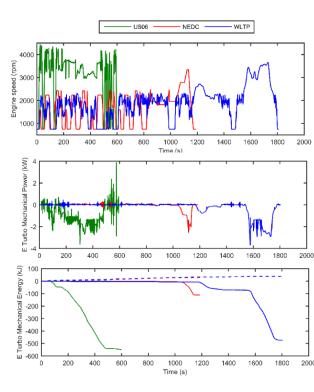




Electric turbine with an electrically or mechanically driven compressor

Two-stage system Electric turbocharger

Kühlwasermantel
Cooling water jocket
Stator
Verdichterrad
Compressor wheel



Dimitriou, P, Burke, R, Zhang, Q, Copeland, C & Stoffels, H 2017, 'Electric Turbocharging for Energy Regeneration and Increased Efficiency at Real Driving Conditions' Applied Sciences, vol 7, no. 4, 350. DOI: 10.3390/app7040350

Boosting Electrification

System Opportunities

Offers a low weight option for deployment of electrical energy

Offers the possibility to recuperate exhaust heat

Can improve transient response

Can lead to fuel economy benefits by relaxing transient requirements of other engine features

System Challenges

Energy flow need to be managed carefully with other systems

Benefits are only apparent with review of full system design (not simply a retrofit)

System needs to be designed and controlled in an optimal way

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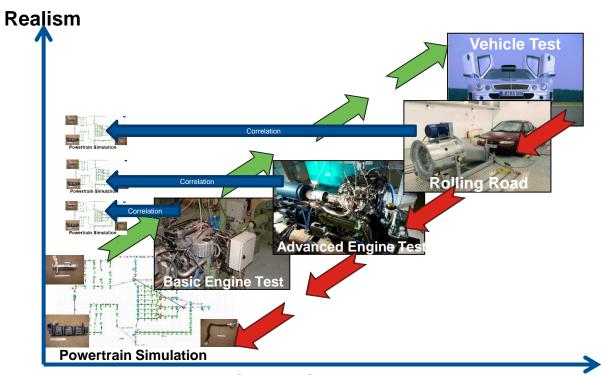
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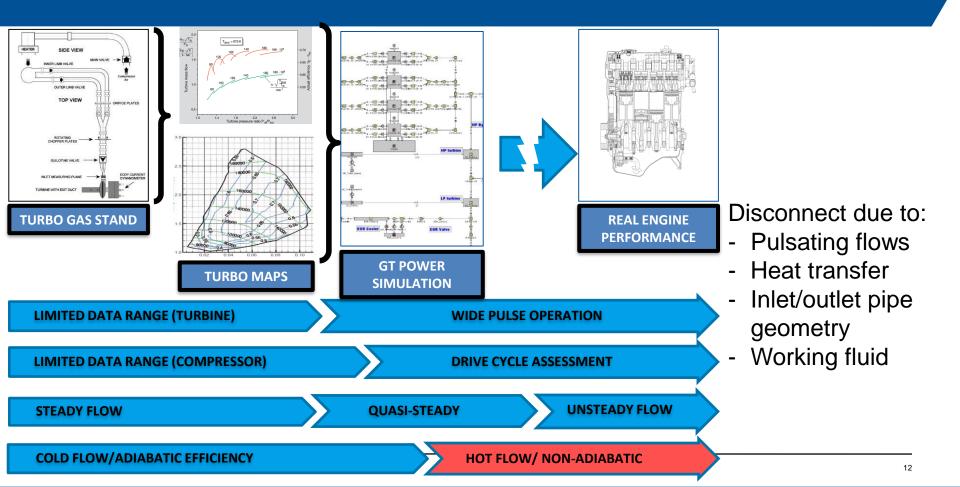
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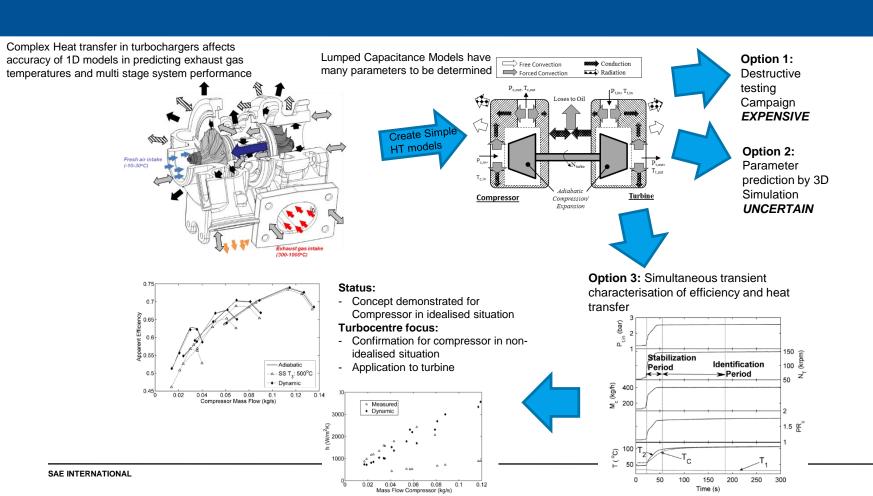


Cost & Complexity

Modelling Disconnect

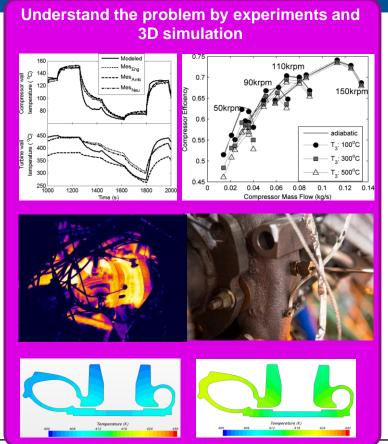


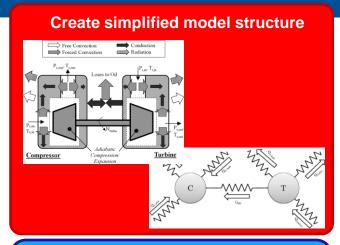
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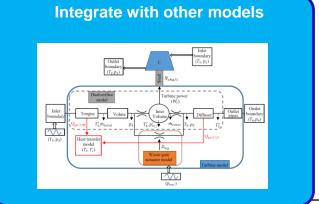


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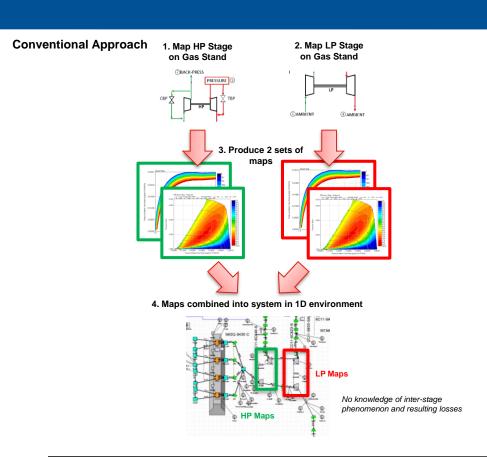
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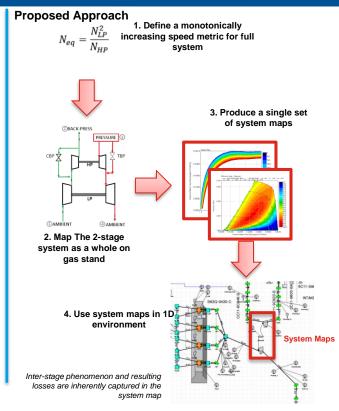




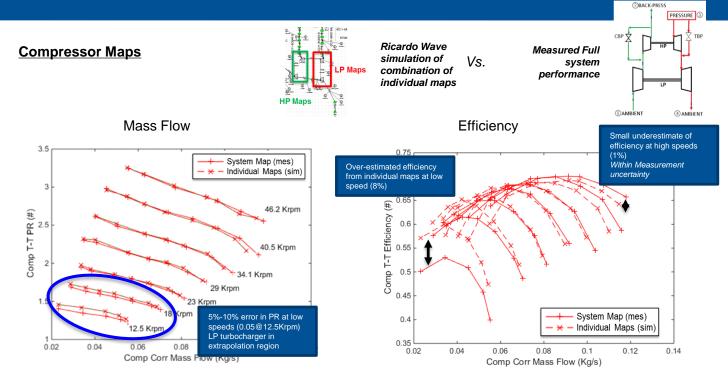


2-stage System Mapping





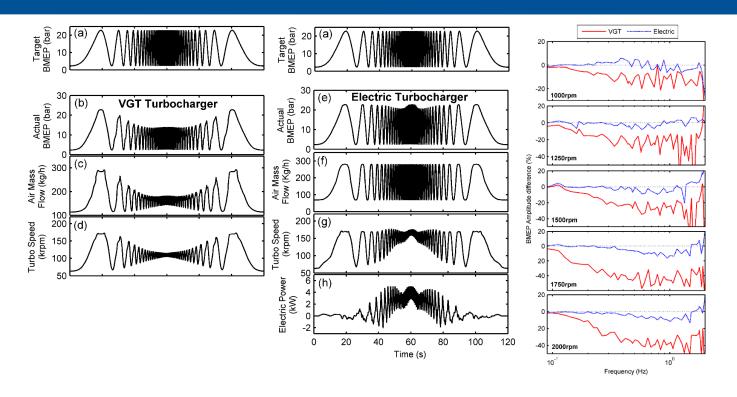
2-stage system mapping



*All speeds are equivalent speeds

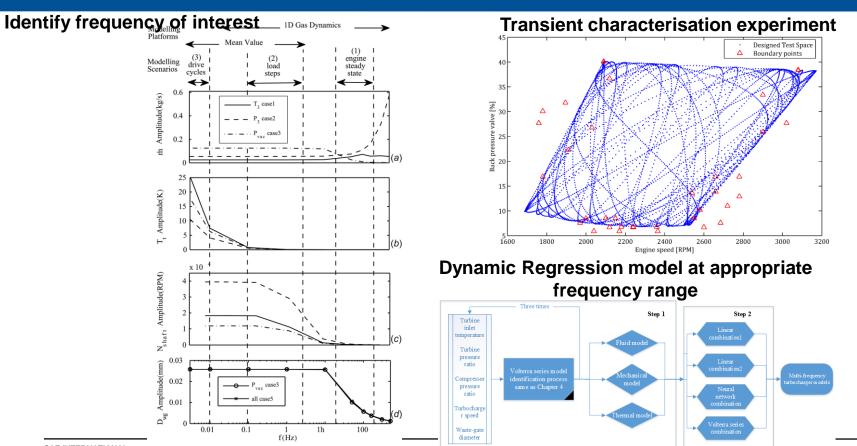
Simulation over-estimates pressure ratio at low speed → Extrapolation on the LP map Efficiency is also over-estimated at low speed and under-estimated at high speeds

Electric boosting - Transient evaluation



Burke, RD 2016, 'A numerical study of the benefits of electrically assisted boosting systems' Journal of Engineering for Gas Turbines and Power: Transactions of the ASME, vol 138, no. 9, 092808. DOI: 10.1115/1.4032764

Dynamic Turbocharger Maps



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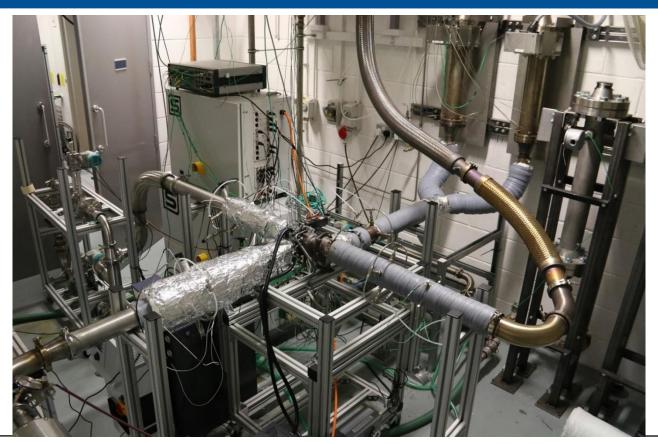
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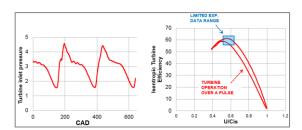
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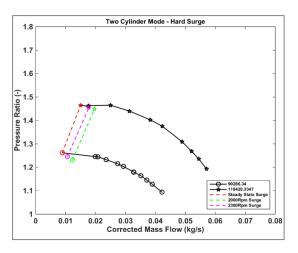
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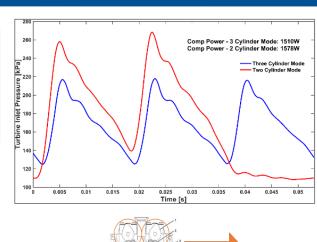
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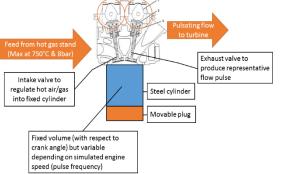


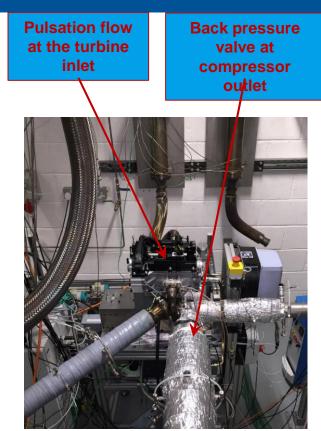
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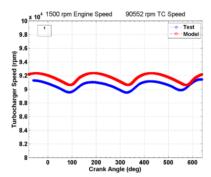


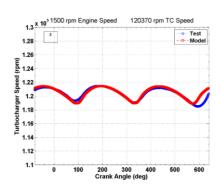
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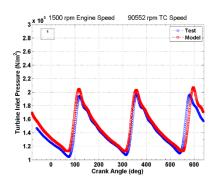
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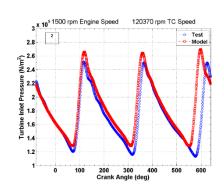
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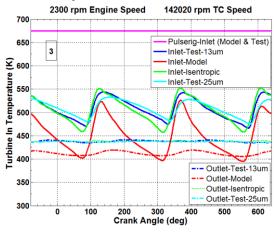


Turbine Inlet Pressure





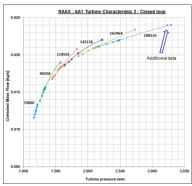
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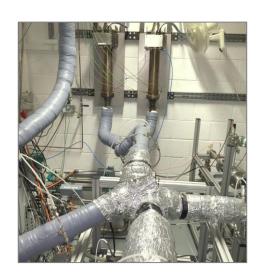
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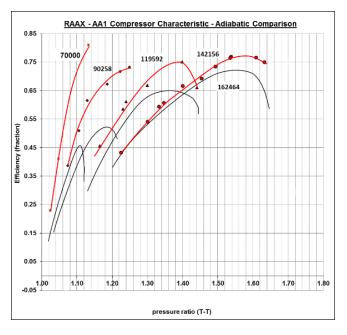
Closed loop compressor





Adiabatic Mapping





X-i-L testing methods – Engine/Airpath

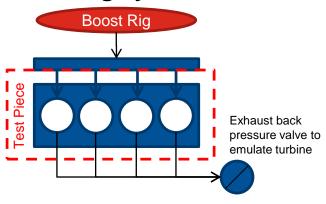
Turbomachinery without engine

Gas Stand, Engine Gas Stand

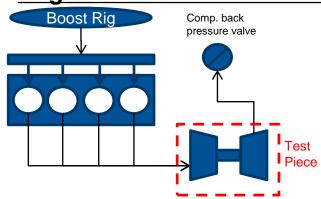
Engine without boosting hardware

Boost emulation rig

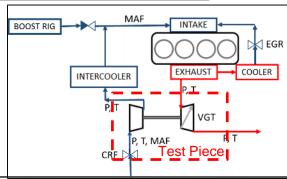
Boosting system emulation



Engine Based Gas Stand A

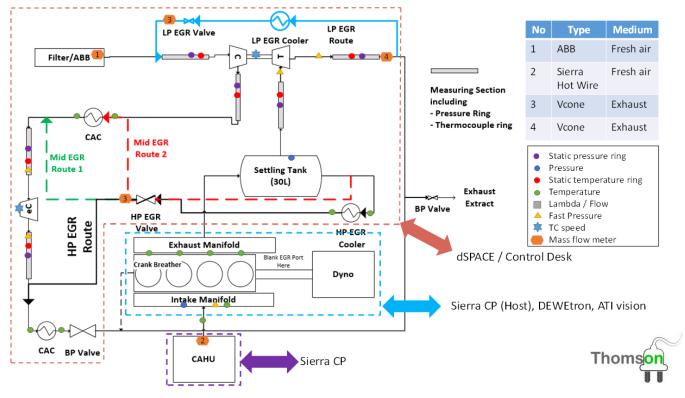


Engine Based Gas Stand B



X-i-L testing methods – Airpath

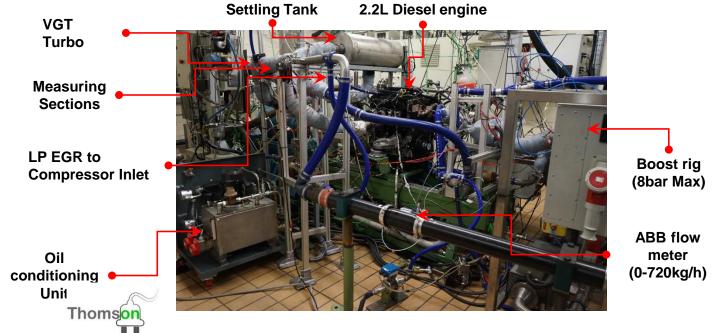
System based Test rig replicating air path layout



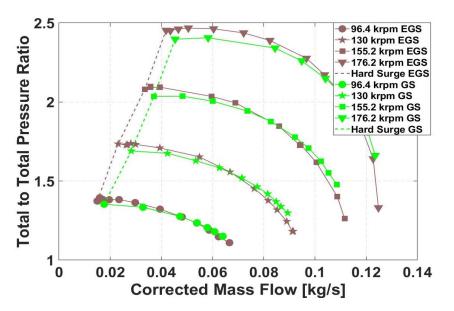
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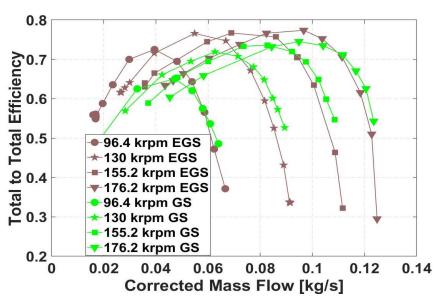
X-i-L testing methods – Airpath

- Built around a 2.2L PUMA Diesel Engine and a Boost rig
- Component level test— Turbocharger turbine & compressor & E-Booster
- Rig successfully commissioned and a range of test data collected



Experimental Result

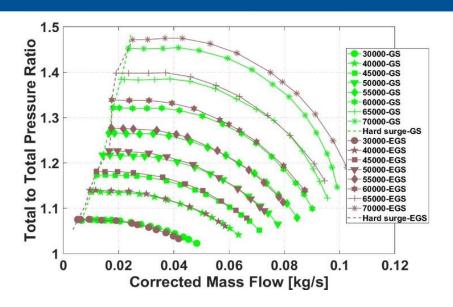


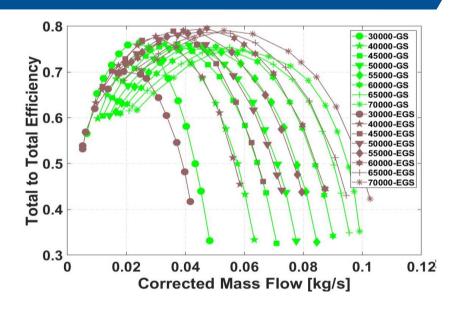


Component level example 1: Turbocharger compressor map

- Steady flow compressor map from the EGS and conventional GS
- Marginally higher PR and lower heat transfer increase compressor efficiency in EGS

Experimental Result





Component level example 3: eBooster map

- EGS Vs Manufacturer map good agreement in MFR Vs PR.
- Marginally higher PR in EGS due to difference in pipe work resulted in marginally higher PR and hence higher compressor efficiency in EGS

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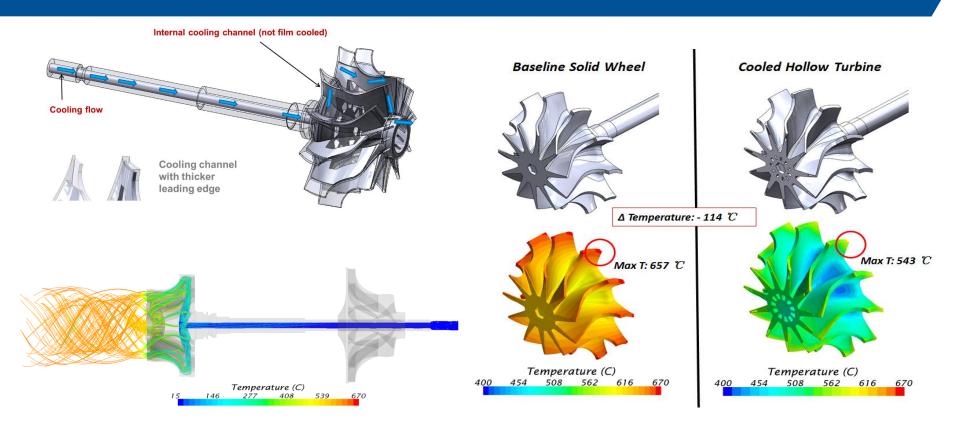
CHARM: Cooled, High temp Auto Radial Machinery



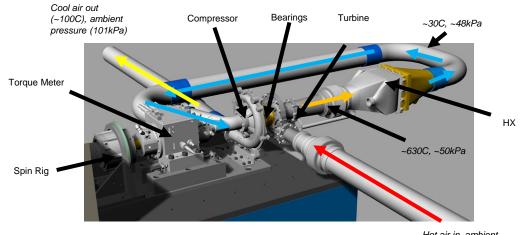


Project Objectives: Deliver AM, air-cooled nickel superalloy radial turbine for automotive applications, capable of operating at high exhaust temperatures.

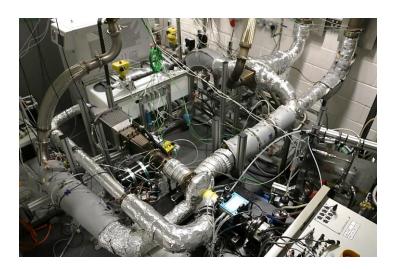
SLM Internally Cooled Turbine Wheel



Direct Exhaust-energy Heat-recovery



Hot air in, ambient pressure 101kPa, 750C



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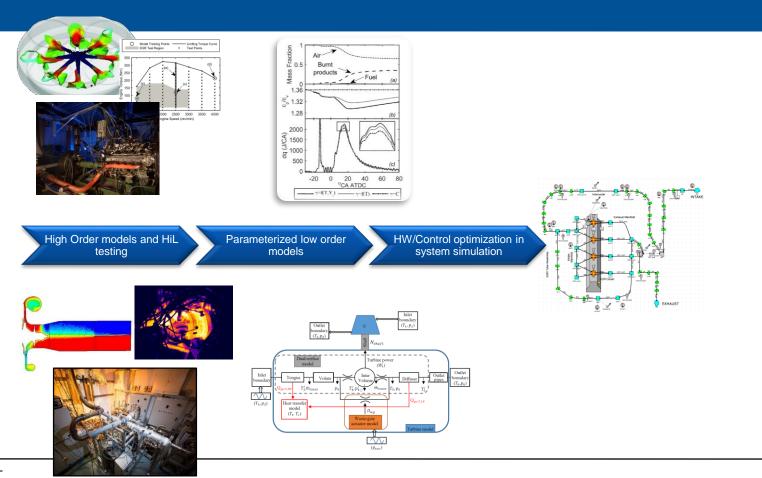
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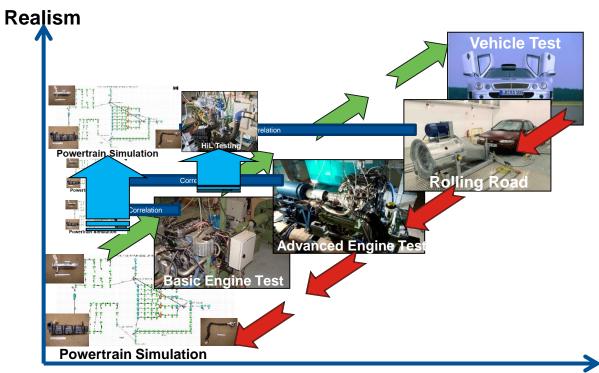
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Future Vision: Model Creation



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Cost & Complexity

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