

Evaluate the Performance and Emission using EGR (Exhaust gas recirculation) in Compression-ignition engine fuelled with blend.

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Abstract: To study different paper related to exhaust gas recirculation on four stroke compression ignition engine fuelled with diesel/methanol blend of 10:90, 20:80 and 30:70 of methanol to diesel respectively were studied to evaluate the performance and emission of engine. The performance of diesel engine increase with increase in compression ratio exhaust gas recirculation is a common way to control in-cylinder NO_x production and is used in most modern high speed direct injection diesel engines because it lowers oxygen concentration and flame temperature of the working fluid in the combustion chamber. To study evaluate and performance with different EGR rate with and without variable compression ratio. After studying all different papers to review the result the output power and torque for diesel fuel is lower compared to methanol-diesel blended fuel at any mixing ratio and because of EGR the NO_x emission and exhaust gas temperature reduced but emissions of particulate matter (PM), HC, and CO were found to have increased with usage of EGR in CI engine.

Keyword: CI engine, EGR, methanol blend, exhaust emission, engine performance.

I. Introduction

It can be obviously seen that the world's fossil fuel reserves are limited. It is well known that passenger vehicles are dependent on fossil fuels such as gasoline, diesel fuel, liquefied petroleum gas, and natural gas. The fossil fuel used in passenger vehicles induces the air pollution, acid rains; build-up of carbon dioxide petroleum product will become very scarce and costly etc [1]. Another reason motivating the developing of alternative fuels for the IC engine is concern over the emission problems of Diesel engine. Hence, there is a progressively interest related with using non-fossil sources in vehicles. Especially, the alcohol fuels (methanol, ethanol etc.) have been showed good candidates as alternative fuels for the vehicles equipped with CI (compression ignition) engines. Methanol is an attractive alternative fuel because they can be obtained from both nature and manufactured sources. It is a high octane fuel with anti-knock index number and also in methanol has low sulphur content in the fuel. Methanol can be used in blends with diesel based engine fuels. The smaller the methanol percentage addition, the easier typical blending problems of phase separation, corrosion, changed Vapour pressure; changed air requirement can be solved[compression-ignition engine with methanol was reported that performance improved and exhaust emissions reduced with methanol operation. Carbon monoxide (CO) and un-burnt hydrocarbons (UBHC), major exhaust emissions formed due to incomplete combustion of fuel, cause many human health disorders. [3] The friction and wear in automobile components to increase both fuel consumption & emission and reduce engine power, it was reported the frictional loss was increase about 25% of the overall fuel consumption in engine. The ratio of NO₂ and NO in diesel engine exhaust is quite small, but NO gets quickly oxidized in the environment, forming NO₂ [4]. Since diesel engine mainly emits NO hence attention has been given to reduce the NO formation [5].

II. Performance And Emission Analysis Of Using Methanol:

Najafi[3] in four stroke four cylinder direct injection diesel engine used certain mixing ratio of 10:90, 20:80 and 30:70 of methanol to diesel respectively the Experimental results showed that the output power and torque for tested diesel fuel was lower compared to methanol-diesel blended fuel at any mixing ratio. The best mixing ratio that produced the lowest exhaust temperature was at 10% of Methanol in 90% of Diesel fuel.

Suresh et al. [28] modified a single cylinder vertical air cooled diesel engine to use methanol dual fuel mode and to study the performance, emission, and combustion characteristics. The primary fuel, methanol with air, compressed, and ignited by a small pilot spray of diesel. Dual fuel engine showed a reduction in oxides of Nitrogen and smoke in the entire load range. However, it suffers from the problem of poor brake thermal efficiency and high hydrocarbon and carbon monoxide emissions, particularly at lower loads due to poor ignition. In order to improve the performance at lower loads, a glow plug was introduced inside the combustion chamber. The brake thermal efficiency improved by 3% in the glow plug assisted dual fuel mode, especially at low load, and also reduced the hydrocarbon, carbon monoxide, and smoke emissions by 69%, 50% & 9% respectively. The presence of glow plug had no effect on oxides of nitrogen.

Turkcan et al.[5] studied the influence of methanol/diesel and ethanol/diesel fuel blends on the combustion characteristic of an IDI diesel engine at different injection timings by using five different fuel blends (diesel, M5, M10, E5 and E10). The tests were conducted at three different start of injection {25°, 20° (original injection timing) and 15° CA before top dead center (BTDC)} under the same operating condition. The experimental results showed that maximum cylinder gas pressure (P_{max}) and maximum heat release rate ($dQ/d\theta$) $_{max}$ increased with advanced fuel delivery timing for all test fuels. Although the values of P_{max} and ($dQ/d\theta$) $_{max}$ of E10 and M10 type fuels were observed at original injection and retarded injection (15° CA BTDC) timings, those of the diesel fuel were obtained at advanced injection (25° CA BTDC) timing. From the combustion characteristics of the test fuels, it was observed that ignition delay (ID), total combustion duration (TCD) and maximum pressure rise rate ($dP/d\theta$) $_{max}$ increased with advanced fuel delivery timing. The ID increased at original and advanced injection timings for ethanol/diesel and methanol/diesel fuel blends when compared to the diesel fuel.

Zhiqiang Guo et al. [15] in this research paper to conduct experiment test on a single cylinder 4-stroke water-cooled direct injection diesel engine. The coolant temperature of water jacket was kept at 75°C during the experiments, and exhaust gas like NO_x, CO, HC, PM were measured by exhaust gas analyser. Effects of different blend containing different proportions on engine combustion and emissions. Take reading pure diesel and the blends of diesel with 10%, 20% and 30% by volume were investigated.

Z.H. Zhang [16] The test engine is a 4-cylinder water cooled direct-injection diesel engine. The engine was coupled with an eddy current dynamometer to measure performance and the engine speed and torque were controlled by the Ono Sokki diesel engine test system. Regulated emissions including HC, NO_x, and CO were measured using online exhaust gas analysers. Experiments were carried with the diesel fuel taking up 80% and 70% of the desired engine load, with bland fumigation methanol providing 20% and 30% of the desired engine loads.

Chunde Yao [6] This paper introduces Diesel/methanol compound combustion system (DMCC) and its application to a naturally aspirated Diesel engine with and without an oxidation catalytic converter the experiment was carried out on 4 stroke 4 cylinder diesel engine. The differences in the physical and chemical properties of methanol and Diesel fuels, as well as the stage of combustion, result in the changes in the heat release flow pattern. Methanol results in a rapid release of heat energy. The experimental results shows that the Diesel engine operating with the DMCC method could simultaneously reduce the soot and coupled with an oxidation catalyst, the CO, HC, NO_x and could all be reduced.

Huang et al. [17] who investigated in combustion of Diesel blended with methanol in single cylinder water cooled diesel engine. They also found that the methanol blended diesel caused an increase in ignition delay period, peak heat release rate of combustion and the premixed heat release but a shortening of the diffusion combustion duration. Thus, the effects of methanol on the combustion characteristics are the same whether the methanol the cylinder temperature of the diesel bland with methanol engine is lower than that of the baseline Diesel engine.

Yaopeng Li [7] A mechanism was applied to investigate the combustion and emission characteristics of a methanol/diesel reactivity controlled compression ignition (RCCI) engine. The fuel was supplied separately by directly injecting diesel fuel into cylinder well before top dead centre, while premixing methanol through the intake port in the tested methanol/diesel RCCI engine. The experimental results show that increasing methanol fraction and advancing the SOI are beneficial to improve fuel economy and avoid engine knock and slight increase in NO_x due to the higher burning temperature.

Cenk Sayin[8] The effect of injection timing on the exhaust emissions of a single cylinder, naturally aspirated, four-stroke, DI diesel engine has been experimentally investigated by using methanol-blended diesel fuel from 0% to 15% with an increment of 5%. The tests were conducted for three different injection timings (15°, 20° and 25° CA BTDC) at four different engine loads (5 Nm, 10 Nm, 15 Nm, 20 Nm) at 2200 rpm. The experimental results shows that the NO_x and CO₂ emissions increased as BTE, smoke opacity, CO and UHC emissions decreased with increasing amount of methanol in the fuel mixture. With the advanced injection timing (25 CA BTDC) we can get the best result.

Zuohua Huang [18] in this paper to study cylinder pressure analysis was conducted in a compression ignition engine. To increasing methanol mass fraction of the diesel/methanol blends would increase the heat release rate in the burning in combustion chamber and shorten the combustion duration of the diffusive burning phase. The ignition delay increased with the advancing of the fuel delivery advance angle for both the diesel fuel and the diesel/methanol blends. The maximum mean gas temperature remained almost near about to diesel fuel, a slight increase with the advancing of the fuel delivery advance angle, and it only slightly increased for the diesel/methanol blends compared to that of the diesel fuel. To increase a cylinder gas pressure increased with the advancing of the fuel delivery advance angle.

Z H Huang [1] a study on the performance and emissions of the diesel–methanol blend was carried out in a single cylinder compression ignition engine. The experimental results shows that a marked reduction in the

exhaust CO and smoke can be achieved when operating with the diesel–methanol blend and NOx increases with increase in the mass of methanol added also methanol addition to diesel fuel was found to have a strong influence on the NOx concentration at high engine loads rather than at low engine loads.

P. C. Jikar [4] A four stroke four cylinder diesel engine was tested using methanol blended with diesel at certain mixing ratio of 10:90, 20:80 and 30:70 of methanol to diesel respectively. The experimental results shows that the specific fuel consumption for diesel alone was higher compared to any mixing ratio. It was noticed that brake thermal efficiency was thus improved in almost all operation conditions with the methanol and diesel blended fuels the amount of No is increased.

M.H. Mat Yasin [19] the focus on this study paper is to evaluate the performance and emissions of a small proportion of methanol (5% by volume) in a blend and mineral diesel separately. A compression ignition (CI) Mitsubishi 4D68 multi-cylinder DI diesel engine was used for measure performance and emission in this work. Engine performance, combustion and exhaust emission characteristics were evaluated at two different engine speeds from 1500 rpm to 3500 rpm at partial engine load. Lower brake power was noticed when operating with M5 blend. However, an increase in brake specific fuel consumption (BSFC) of 4% to 6% was observed when the engine was fuelled with methanol 5% blend. The results indicate that NOx emissions increase up to 13% and while lower carbon monoxide (CO) and Carbon dioxide (CO₂) up to 17% to 18% are observed in compare with the mineral diesel.

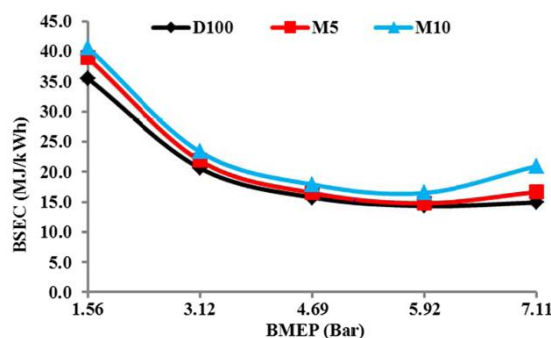


Fig 1 Brake Specific Fuel Consumption v/s Mean Effective Pressure [2]

C. Mishra [2] in this project the test fuels were prepared with 5% and 10% (v/v) of methanol in the emulsion and experiments were conducted on a single cylinder diesel engine. The experimental results shows that emission of CO was found to reduce at all loads with increase in methanol composition in test fuel also M5 and M10 produced less Nox emission at part load than diesel base line however at full load M5 and M10 produced more Nox emission than diesel base line.

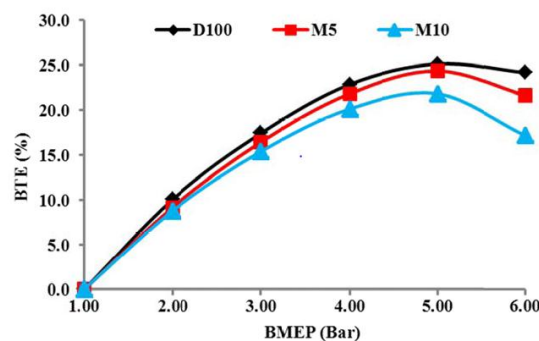


Fig 2 Brake Thermal Efficiency v/s Mean Effective Pressure [2]

III. Performance And Emission Analysis Of Using Egr:

Jaffar Hussain [10] the experiment was carried out on four-stroke 3 cylinder air cooled CI engine with 0% to increment of 5% up to 25% of EGR recirculation. The experimental results show that the emission of Nox was decreased because it lowers the oxygen concentration and flame temperature. The emission of HC, CO, and PM was increased. The thermal efficiency is slightly increased and BSFC is decreased at lower load.

D.T. Hountalas [20] in the present paper it is examined, using a heavy duty DI single cylinder diesel test engine capable of operating at high peak combustion pressures. Also to advanced injection timing was used to improve its brake specific fuel consumption (bsfc) that obviously had a negative impact on NO_x emissions. To control NO_x, cooled EGR was considered using a fixed temperature for all test cases examined. In the present work are examined various EGR temperatures to determine its effect on the combustion and pollutant formation. The increase of EGR percentage results to a decrease of NO and to a sharp increase of soot. The effect on both pollutants is stronger at low engine speed. The maximum estimated reduction of brake thermal

efficiency is in the order of 5.5% relative to the value without EGR, observed at 15% EGR for an engine speed of 1130 rpm.

M. Ghazikhani [11] The experiment was conducted on the 4 stroke 4 cylinder water cooled CI engine with 0% to increment of 5% up to 30% to study the chemical and thermal effect The experimental results shows that at 25% of load the BSFC was decreased with the increase amount of EGR and as the equivalence ratios go up, the irreversibility is also increased.

Giorgio Zamboni [12] the experiment was conducted on the 4 stroke 4 cylinder water automotive diesel engine with two different circuits HP circuit and LP circuit. The experimental results shows that for the same rate of EGR HP circuit gives better result compare to LP circuit in Nox emission.

Giorgio Zamboni [13] investigation was performed with a view to comparing high and low pressure exhaust gas recirculation systems (HP and LP EGR) fitted on an automotive turbo charged diesel engine, focusing on analysing their influence on fuel consumption, pollutant emissions and the combustion process. Parameters were measured in six part-load operating conditions related to the European driving cycles. The investigation performed, the most substantial reductions in NOx were obtained through the joint application of both the EGR circuits with the highest HP EGR valve opening setting. It is confirmed that the impact of the LP EGR circuit on intake and exhaust parameters like mass flow rate, temperature and pressure levels is lower than that of the HP EGR loop, resulting in engine and turbocharger working conditions closer to the without EGR. As HP EGR is associated with significant reductions in this gradient, lower bsfc values are usually observed.

Federico Millo [21] to evaluated by means of both experimental tests and numerical simulation in addition to the experimental tests, a one-dimensional fluid-dynamic engine model has been built in order to assess the potential of a Dual Moad (DM) EGR system a combination of Short Route (SR) and Long Route (LR) EGR systems. Substantial reductions of the NOx emissions have been achieved using the LR EGR layout both under steady state and transient operating conditions a reduction. The use of a Long Moad EGR system has resulted to be extremely effective in reducing NOx emissions reduction, both under steady state and transient operating conditions a reduction of up to 15% in comparison with the conventional Short Moad system.

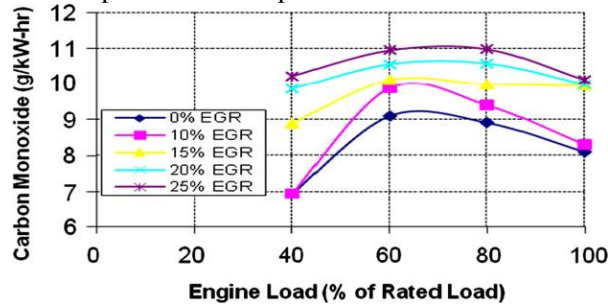


Fig 3 Carbon Monoxide v/s Engine Load [9]

N. Ravi Kumar, [9] the experiment was conducted on single cylinder direct injection variable compression high speed diesel engine with 0%, 5% and 10% EGR. The experimental results show that with increase in compression ratio the brake thermal efficiency increases and specific fuel consumption decreases. It was observed that with raise in % of EGR the percentage increase in brake thermal was up to 13.5%. It was found that with raise in % EGR the NOx emissions was gradually decreases by 11% to 85% at different compression ratios due to less flame temperatures and low oxygen content in the combustion chamber. Smoke opacity is also decrease.

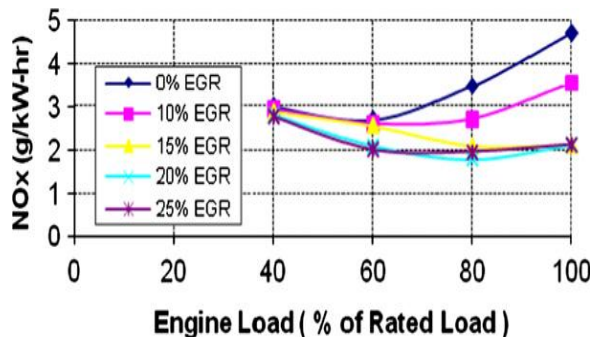


Fig 4 NO_x v/s Engine Load [9]

Deepak Agarwal, [13] the experiment was conducted on the two cylinder 4 stroke constant speed diesel engine for varying % of EGR from 0 to 20% in the increment of 5%. The experimental results show that the thermal efficiency increases at lower loads. The volumetric efficiency is decreased. The HC and CO emission increase with increase of EGR and the degree of reduction of Nox is higher at higher loads. Higher soot deposits were

observed on cylinder head, injector tip, and piston crown of EGR operated engine than without EGR operated engine.

Avinash Kumar Agrawal, [14] the experiment was conducted on the two cylinder 4 stroke air cooled diesel engine for varying % of EGR from 0 to 21% in the increment of 3%. The experimental results shows that the PM emission in the exhaust is increase the thermal efficiency and BSFC in not affected significantly and EGR is proved to be one of the most efficient methods of NO_x reduction in diesel engines.

Ming Zheng, [22] it has been argued whether EGR should be applied to Diesel engines because of the increased piston-cylinder wearing. Heavy uses of EGR could also deteriorate the energy efficiency, operational stability and PM generation of the engine. The current concern is on how aggressively EGR should be applied to all speeds and all loads; although EGR increased wearing continues to be problem affecting engine durability and performances. EGR is still the most viable technique that can reduce NO_x dramatically. Energy efficient after treatment systems dealing with NO_x and PM simultaneously are still in the early development stages. The inability of available catalytic after treatment technologies further encourages aggressive uses of EGR.

Jaffar Hussain et al. [10] the experiment was carried out on 4 stroke 3 cylinder air cooled CI engine with 0% to increment of 5% up to 25%. The experimental results show that the emission of No_x was decreased because it lowers the oxygen concentration and flame temperature. The emission of HC, CO, and PM was increased. The thermal efficiency is slightly increased and BSFC is decreased at lower load.

Harilal S. Sorathia [23] Recirculate exhaust gas lower the oxygen concentration in combustion chamber and increase the specific heat of the intake air mixture, which results in lower flame temperatures. It was observed that 15% EGR rate is found to be effective to reduce NO_x emission substantially without deteriorating engine performance in terms of thermal efficiency, bsfc and emissions. Thus, it can be concluded that higher rate of EGR can be applied at lower loads and lower rate of EGR can be applied at higher load. EGR can be applied to diesel engine fuelled with diesel oil, bio-diesel, LPG, hydrogen without sacrificing its efficiency and fuel economy and NO_x reduction can thus be achieved.

Murari Mohan Roy et al [24] investigate on EGR and cyclonic separator for simultaneous reduction of NO_x and PM in DIC engine under different load and speed. There is reduction of NO_x by EGR but increase in PM, and PM is reduced by the use of cyclonic separator. Average NO_x reduction at 10% EGR rate under different loads and speeds is about 24%, but average PM increase is about 12%. NO_x is reduced about 47% at 20% EGR rate, but PM increase is about 65%. At 30% EGR rate, NO_x reduction is about 77%, but PM increase is about 156%.

V.Pradeep, R.P.Sharma [25] using with 5% EGR, the NO level came down to 1105ppm to 900ppm for diesel, at full load. With 10% EGR, NO levels were 885ppm to 910ppm for diesel. With 15% EGR, NO levels were found to be 772ppm to 780ppm for diesel at full load. Even though 20 and 20% EGR were able to reduce NO by a large amount, reduction in BTE and large increase in smoke, CO and HC emissions were observed. Conclude that HOT EGR of 15% effectively reduced NO emission without much adverse effect on the performance, smoke and other emissions.

H.E.Saleh [26] effect of EGR with jojoba methyl ester on diesel engine is attempted to reduce nitrogen oxide. At high speed, the engine output and efficiency with JME were higher than that with diesel fuel. The NO_x concentration with JME fuel is higher than that with diesel fuel. It is difficult to employ an EGR rate larger than 12%, and this may result in an excessive increase in BSFC up to 11%. The reduction in NO_x was 33% at that level of EGR rate. For all operating conditions, a better trade-off between HC, CO and NO_x emissions can be attained within a limited EGR rate of 5-15% with little economy penalty.

V.V.Prathibha Bharathi [27] investigates the effect of EGR with different blend and Grooved Piston with Knurling in an IC engine of single cylinder water cooled. Tests were conducted on 10%, 15% and 20% EGR. There is a gain of 7.4% with 20% EGR compared to normal engine. By EGR20 2.94% of fuel consumption were observed compared to normal engine. 13%, 5.4% and 2.9% reduction of NO_x, HC and CO were measured. Investigated that combination of different blend with EGR20 and piston with nine grooves give better performance and reduced emissions.

IV. Conclusion

From all above paper we can conclude that by adding methanol HC, CO emission will decrease while the NO_x emission will increase on other side by recirculating the increasing percentage of EGR the NO_x emission will be drastically decrease and HC, CO and PPM will increase. As increasing in the compression ratio the blended fuel will give lower brake specific fuel consumption. The work can be enhanced by using different proportion of blended fuel with different EGR rate.

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