

SOLAR STRATEGIC GROWTH

Overview of Expected Impacts on Materials using Hydrogen



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Potential Hydrogen Impact on Engine and Package

- Injector Flashback
- Pollutant Emissions
- Combustion Stability
- Operability
- Engine Component Durability
- Fuel System Embrittlement
- Package Safety
- Start-up
- Flameout
- Flame Detection

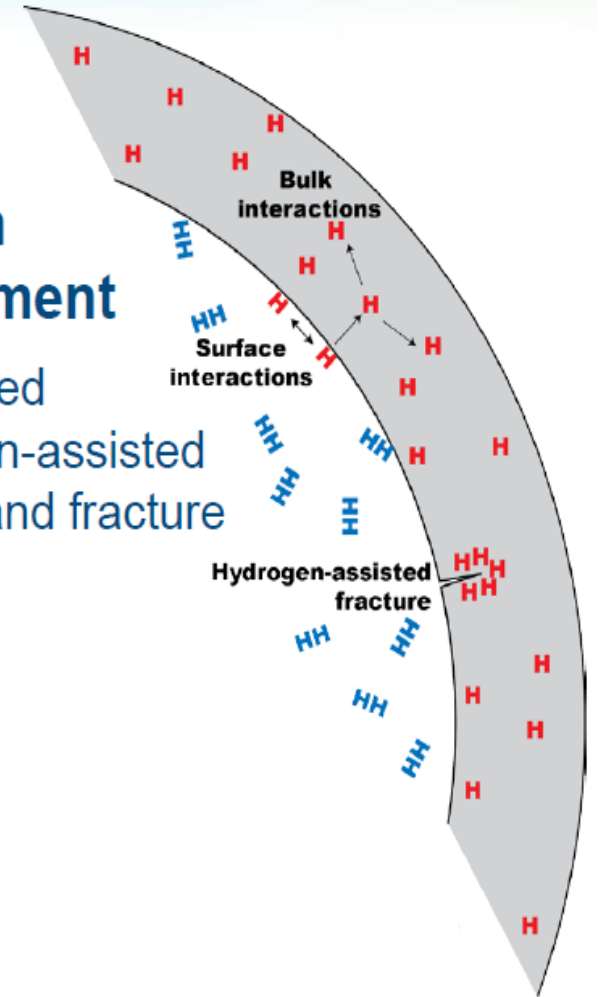
Gas pressure
Pipe velocity
Explosive
Gas temperature
Hydrogen
Dimensioning
Embrittlement
Low density
High diffusivity
Reaction
High temperature H₂ attack
Energy content

Hydrogen Impact on Gas Turbine Materials

- More Diffusive
 - Material Selection Important
 - Using Appropriate Seals
 - Elastomers appropriate for H_2 in valves and gas compressors
 - Metallic seals compatible with H_2
 - Leaks may contain disproportionate H_2 levels
- Prevent Hydrogen Embrittlement
 - Stainless Fuel System Components
 - Pipes, Valves, Tubing, etc.

Hydrogen embrittlement

also called
hydrogen-assisted
fatigue and fracture



Solar's H₂ Technology Experience



1992

SoLoNOx™ introduced

2003

Titan 130 SoLoNOx™ at 9% H₂

2013

Partnered with DOE for High-H₂ rig testing & analysis

Today

SoLoNOx™ 20% H₂ capable

1985

- First high-H₂ experience
- 40% H₂ (wet)

1995

U.S. refinery runs Taurus 60 at 100% H₂



2010

First Titan 130 High Hydrogen Generator Set commissioned in China at 60% H₂

2018

46 High Hydrogen Generator Sets reach 2M operating hours



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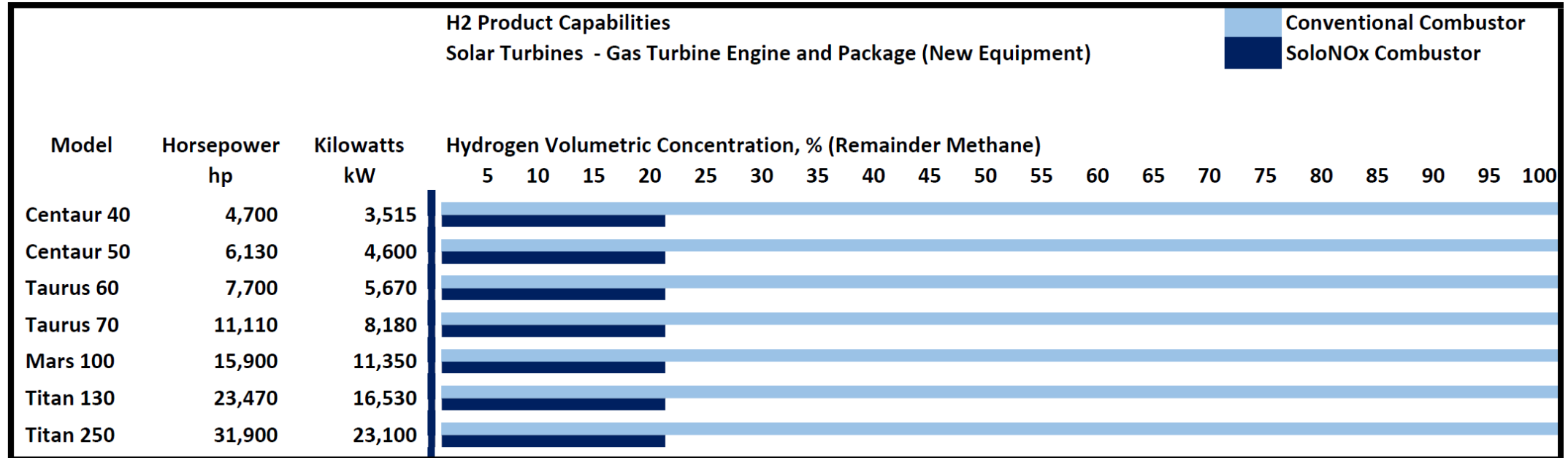
Solar Product Hydrogen Capabilities*

SoLoNOx™ (DLE) Up to 20% H₂

- Refineries in United States up to 20% H₂
- Chemical Plant Applications in China & Europe up to 14% H₂

Conventional Combustion Up to 100% H₂

- Steel Industry Applications in China up to 65% H₂
- Propane Dehydrogenation application in Belgium up to 83% H₂
- Refinery Application in the United States up to 37% H₂



*Hydrogen capabilities shown are for new equipment configurations. Depending on operating conditions and requirements, some restrictions and/or additional engine and package hardware and software modifications may apply. Higher hydrogen requirements can be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Coke Oven Gas (65% H₂) Fleet Durability Experience

- Multiple Generator Set Customers In China
- First T60GS Sold In Year 2005, First T130GS Commissioned In Year 2010
- 17 Customers in China
- 46 Packages Total, 36 Titan 130 and 10 Taurus 60
- Approaching 2 million hours of operation



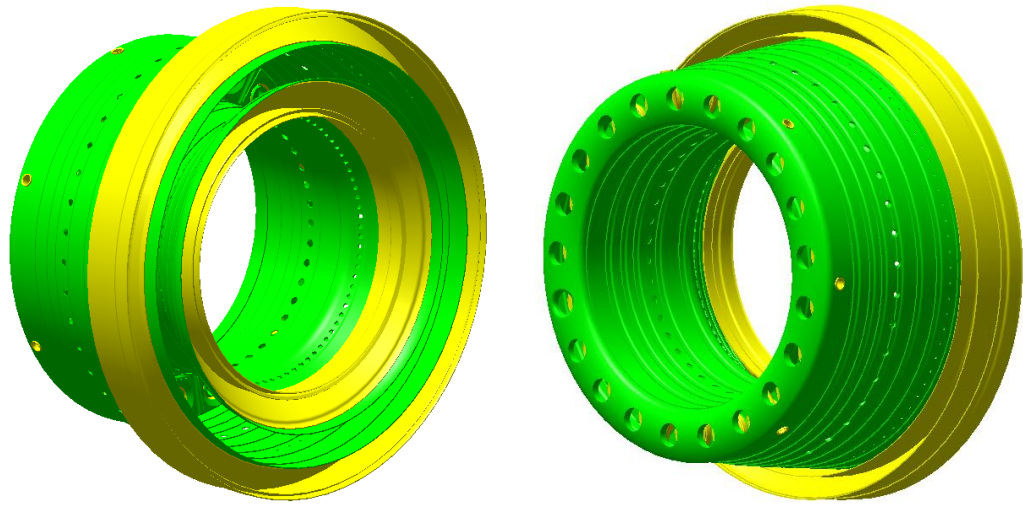
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Conventional Combustion System (Titan 130)

- Liner (standard conventional liner):



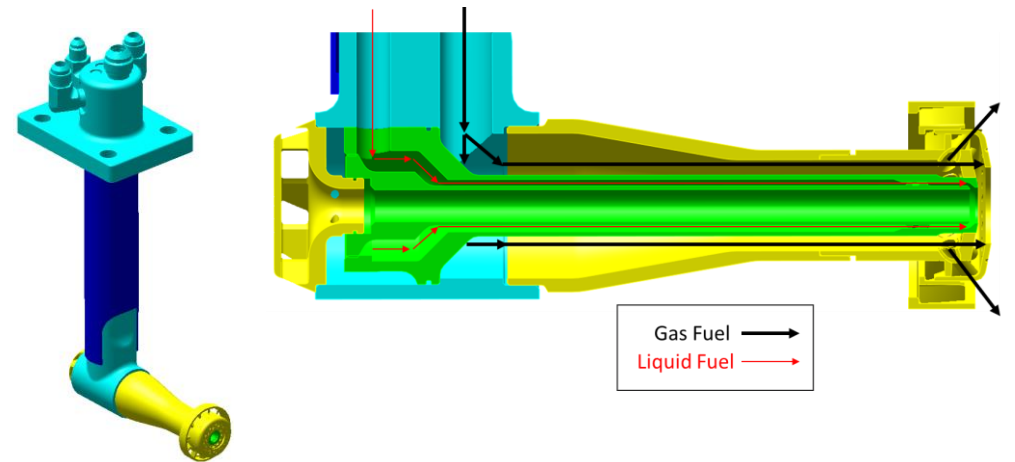
Materials

Alloy X

Alloy 230

- Injector(s) (MBTU/LBTU Dual Fuel):

- Low BTU Dual Fuel Variant (most common)
- Med BTU Dual Fuel Variant



Materials

Alloy X

Alloy 230

SS 316L

SS 316

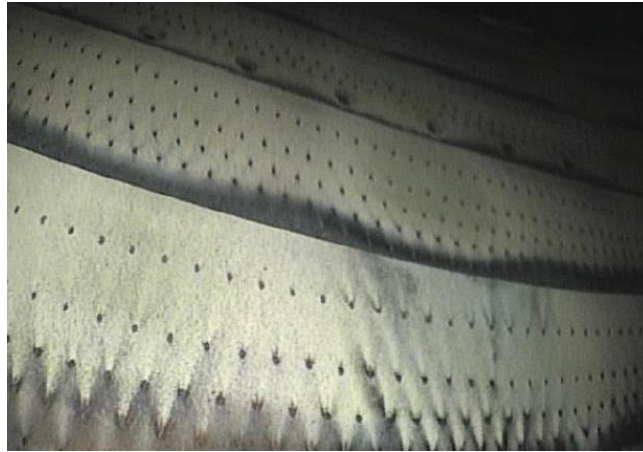
In-situ Coke Oven Gas Experience

- 36 x Titan 130 units – operating on COG (65% H₂)

Titan 130

Inspected at site
~22,000 Hours

Good hardware condition

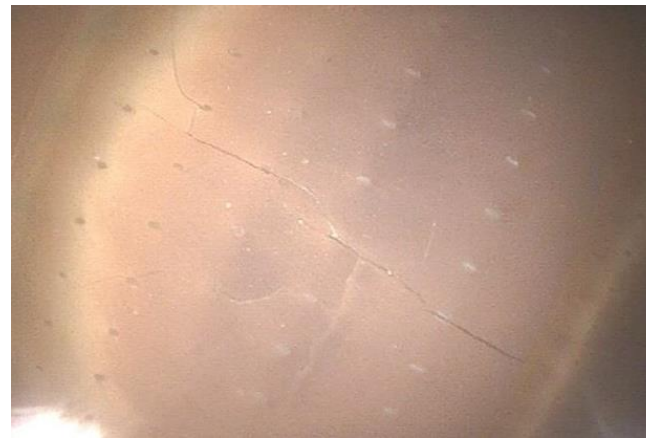


Titan 130

Inspected at site
~23,500 Hours

**Liner spider cracking
discovered**

(low number of units)
(Does not affect engine performance
30,000 hours still obtainable)



Post Engine Exchange Coke Oven Gas Experience

- Titan 130 inspected after engine return ~30,000 hours



Coke Oven Gas Experience Summary

- Combustion system material well performing on COG (H₂) and has demonstrated this with a sizeable fleet
- Fuel quality is very important to minimize hardware component life degradation
- Cracks found in combustion liners have not impacted performance or service life on any deployed units
 - Experience is pointing to fuel quality
 - To date, observed liner cracking has not impacted engine operation or reliability
- Injector distress is attributed to poor fuel quality / handling
 - To date, overserved injector distress has not impacted engine operation or reliability
- High time hardware is generally in good condition upon return
- Our currently utilized material ready to support the High Hydrogen DLE technology



Progress in Enabling Biofuels at Solar Turbines

- **Gas Turbine Users Exploring Biodiesel to Replace Diesel Fuel for Carbon Emission Reductions**

- 80% Reduction in CO₂ Possible on Lifecycle Basis compared to Diesel Fuel Operation
- Customer Interest in Biodiesel Blended with Diesel Fuel from 20% (B20) to 100% (B100)

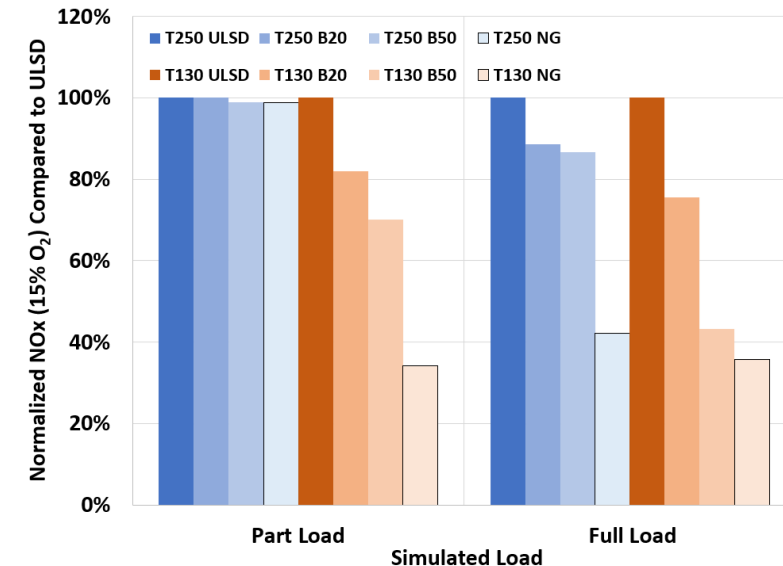
- **Developing Capability in Collaboration with National Biodiesel Board (US based)**

- **Conventional Combustion Turbines Proven to B100**

- **SoLoNO_x (DLE) Qualification in Progress**

- Combustion Rig Testing using B20 & B50 on Titan 250, Titan 130 & Taurus 70
- Emissions (NO_x, CO, UHC and smoke) Comparable to Diesel
- Injector Durability Proven – Primary Concern is Injector Carbon Deposition
- Summary Paper Accepted for 2021 ETN Gas Turbine Conference in October

Emissions Using ULSD, B20 And B50



Titan 130 Injectors After The Tests



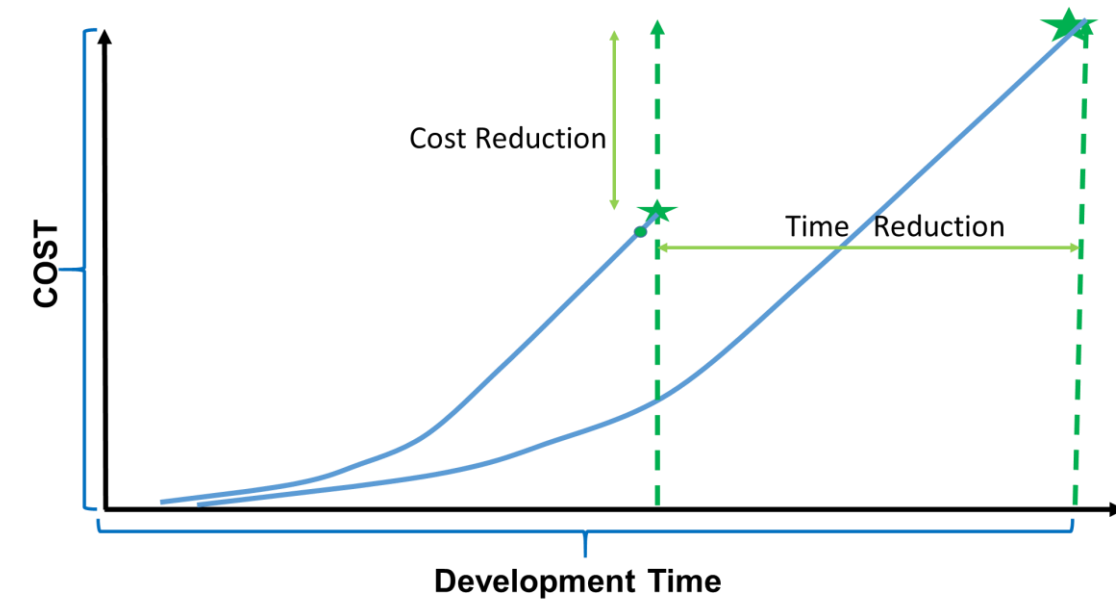
- **Planning Engine Field Trial in 2022**

- Verify Rig Data and Demonstrate Startup & Longer Duration Operation

- **Fuel Quality Is Of Utmost Importance For Success**

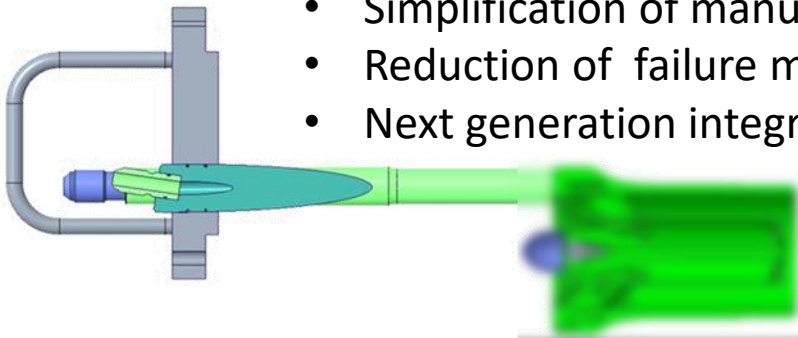
- Must Comply With Fuel Specifications. Longer Shelf-life needed for emergency/backup use.
- Need Biodiesel Producers, Suppliers And Users To Follow Best Practices.

Hydrogen Technology Enablers



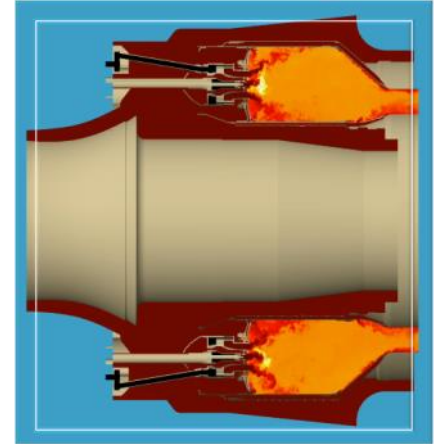
Additive Manufacturing

- Optimized designs
- Simplification of manufacturing
- Reduction of failure modes
- Next generation integrated burners



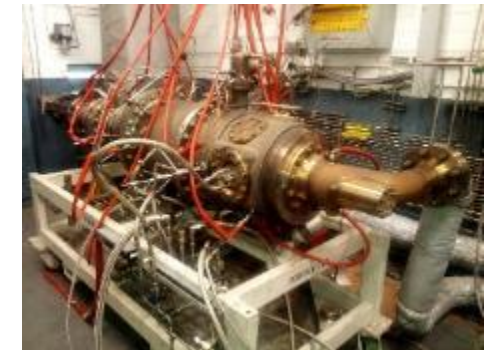
Combustion Digital Platform

- Thermo-Acoustic Frequencies and Mode Shapes
- Aero-Thermal Studies (Flow split/pressure drops)
- Thermal, Structural & Modal Analysis



Combustion Test Facility

- Mixing Rig
- High Pressure Single Injector Rig
- Annular Rig atmospheric pressure test



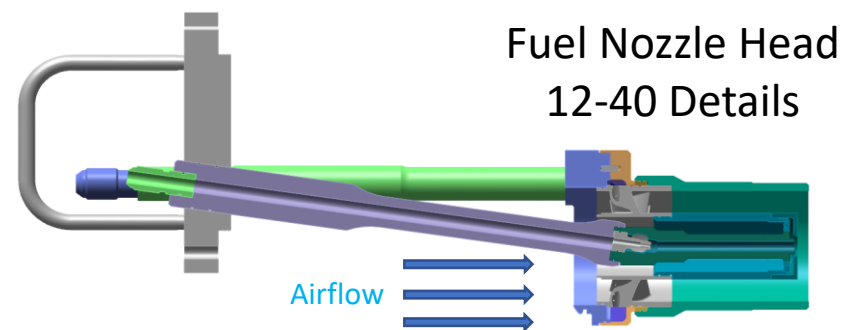
Test Cell & Injector Rig

DfAM SoLoNOx (DLE) Injector

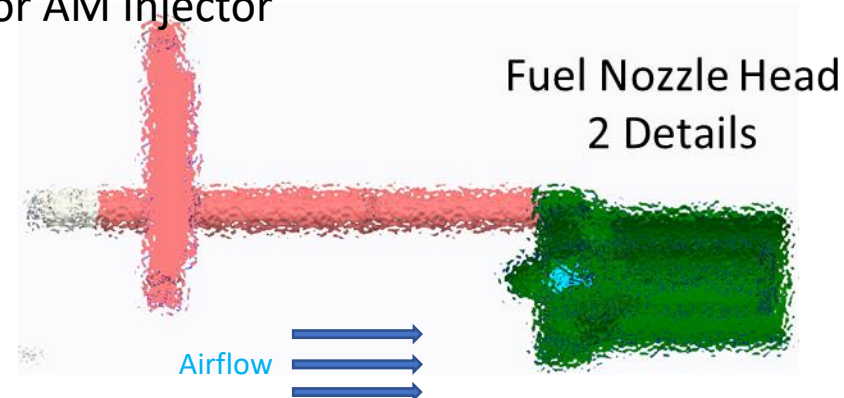
Design for Additive Manufacturing

- Optimize Design
- Utilizing Current Material
- Simplify MFG
- Reduce Failure Modes
- Reduce Development Cost and Cycle Time by 70%

Current Production



Design for AM Injector

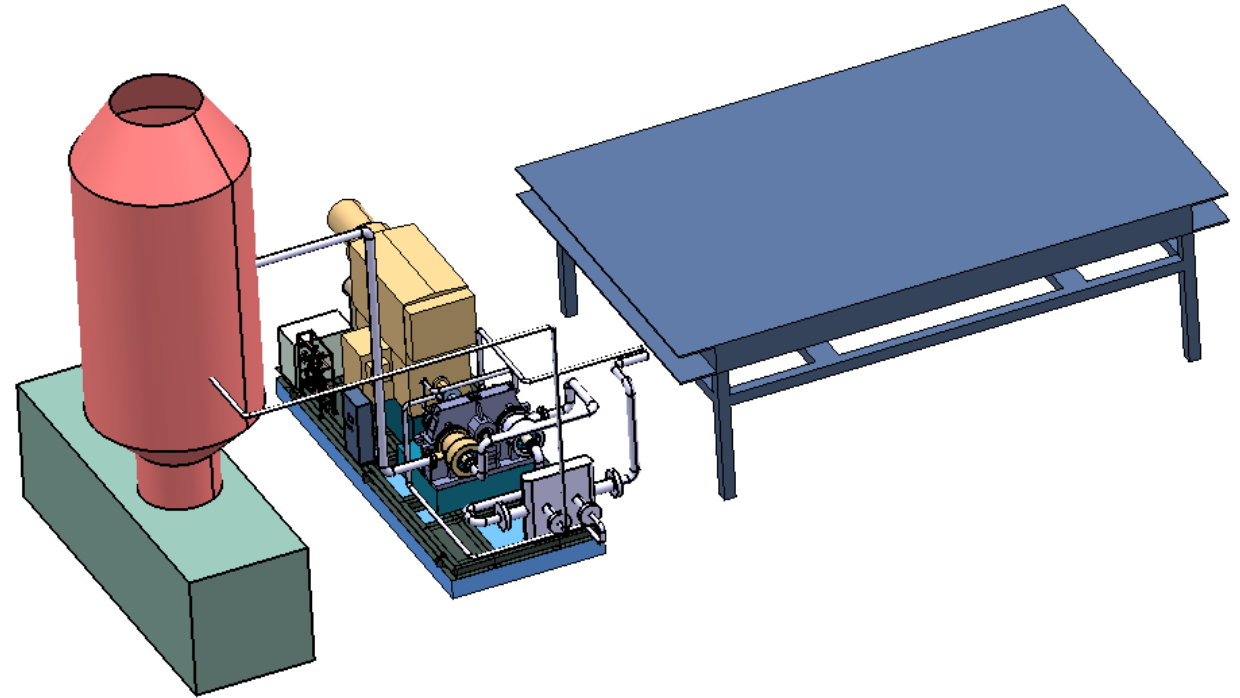


Exhaust Heat Utilization - Supercritical CO₂

Uses “Supercritical CO₂” or sCO₂ as the fluid instead of steam for a bottoming cycle heat recovery

Compared to steam from boiler production:

- Improved thermodynamic efficiency
- Less complex and less maintenance
- Increased station reliability
- Lower risk to operator
- Greater economic benefits
- Zero water use
- Additional power extracted is zero carbon



Material Needs - sCO₂ System Components

- Erosion resistance
- Mechanical properties/material stability and durability in sCO₂ environments
- Cost effective fabrication (e.g. welding, additive manufacturing, etc.)



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