Fuel Flexibility in GE LM Engines

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LM Product Lines
Combustor Comparison – SAC vs DLE
Fuel Flexibility
Summary



LM Product Lines



Marine & Industrial aeroderivative gas turbine power





Where do LMs come from?



B747 A300 B767, MD-11, A310/330



CF6-80C2



LM6000



14.3/19,200 37%

Power Output MW/SHP Thermal Efficiency

> 42-50/60,150 43%



F/A-18

F-117





F404 LM1600 coming soon to a project near you...



Combustor Comparison





Flexible emissions reduction









DLE vs. Standard Combustor

With dry low emissions combustor

30 PREMIXERS COMPRISING 75 STAGED INJECTORS

4 PASSAGE COMPRESSOR DIFFUSER



SINGLE COMPRESSOR DIFFUSER PASSAGE

SINGLE ROW OF 30 FUEL NOZZLES

With standard combustor



DLE Combustor Design





Combustor details

Alternating 2 cup and 3 cup premixers





Premixer design



- Axial counter rotating swirlers for efficiency mixing and low NOx
- High axial velocities
- -Flashback resistance -Prevents Auto-ignition





LM DLE Experience – 330 Engines

Cumulativa

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Model	Type	<u>Hours</u>
LM6000PD	Gas Fuel	~2,400,000
LM2500+	Gas Fuel	~2,000,000
LM2500	Gas Fuel	~2,500,000
LM1600	Gas Fuel	~170,000
Total		>7,000,000



LM DLE Applications:



Experience in extreme temperature environments
 ✓ North Slopes Alaska...-50 F
 ✓ Sahara Desert... > 100 F



Fuel Flexibility



Fuel Properties – SAC Combustors

- > Can accommodate wide band of Wobbe numbers
- > No special instrumentation required
- > Extreme Wobbe number ranges will need to be evaluated for proper fuel system sizing
- > Current capability exceeds proposed interim guidelines



Fuel Properties – DLE Combustors

- > Multiple LM DLE applications have gas properties vary:
 - O&G upstream applications...changing gas wells
 - O&G midstream applications...blending gas supplies
 - Power Generations applications...gas supply varies due to market pricing



Fuel Properties – DLE Combustors

- > Typical Wobbe Number range is 40 to 60
- > On-site gas analysis equipment is supplied for most installations where gas properties are expected to vary
- > Gas calorimeter or chromatographs are typically used
- > Calorimeters faster, not as accurate, and sensitive to disturbances.
- > Gas chromatographs Slower, more accurate, updates are in the range of once every 90 to 180 seconds –
 - New technology is being developed to greatly reduce the response speed



Fuel Property Accommodation

- Annular combustion System...one set of instrumentation
- Adaptive flame temperature control designed to accommodate transient shifts in operation

Example: Rapid change in actual fuel properties where the sensed lower heating value (LHV) lags the true LHV



Step change in LHV



Ramp change in LHV





Summary



Summary of LM Fuel Flexibility

Annular combustor allows for single integrated instrumentation and control system

LM DLE system has demonstrated the ability to handle significant variation in fuel properties

- > Over 12% Wobbe number change
- > Using gas analysis as control inputs
- > Maintains low emissions with fuel property changes
- > Adaptive logic increases capability for fuel variations

LM products currently operate with proposed interim guidelines:

- > 4% Wobbe variation
- > 1.5% max Butane +, 4% max inerts

