

# NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions Performance and Correlation Equations for a Multipoint LDI Injector

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# Research Background and Purposes

## Background

- ♦ ERA project goal
  - ♦ LTO NO<sub>x</sub> 75% reduction wrt CAEP/6
- ♦ Five contracts
  - ♦ Two companies produce sector combustors.
  - ♦ Three companies produce single cup combustors.
- ♦ Parker Hannifin has two single cup configurations

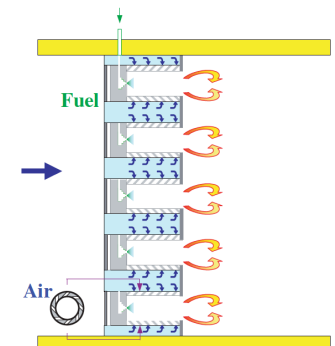
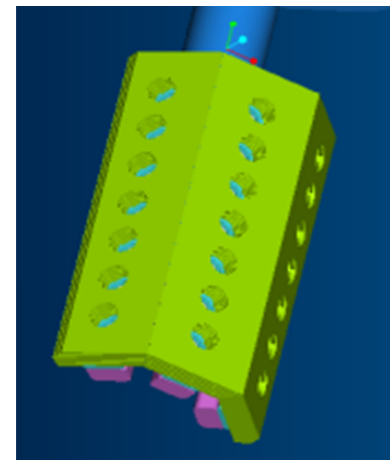
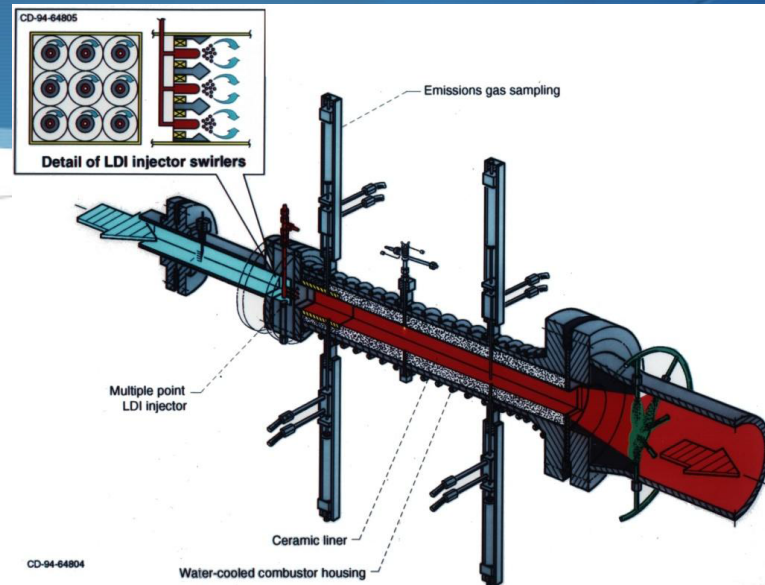
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- ♦ This study presents NO<sub>x</sub> emissions result of Parker's first configuration
- ♦ Develop NO<sub>x</sub> correlation equations to predict its LTO NO<sub>x</sub> emissions.



# Experiment setup and hardware

- CE-5
  - Air, max(1720 kPa, 810 K)
  - Jet-A aviation fuel
- Parker's 3-zone multipoint LDI concept
- Fuel staging (3 fuel circuits)
  - Pilot (one fuel circuit)
  - Low power (Two F-stages)
  - High power (Three F-stages)



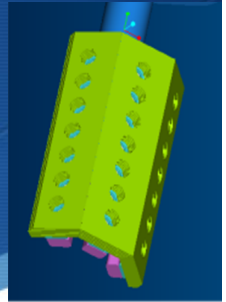
# Correlation Methodology

$$\text{EINO}_x = K * P_3^{N1} * e^{\frac{T_3}{N2}} * \Phi^{N3}$$

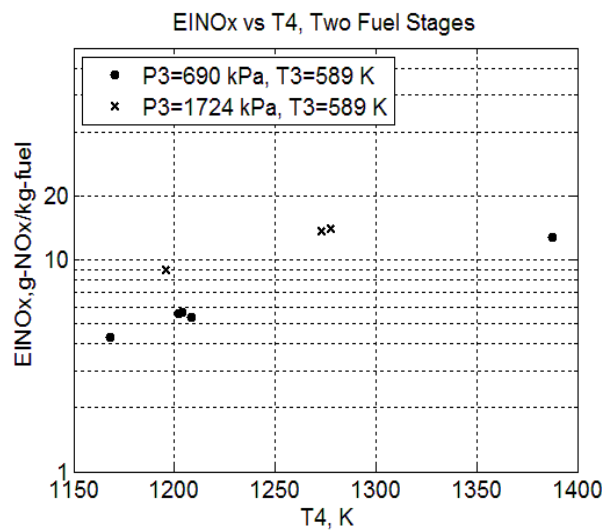
- Plot Plotting EINO<sub>x</sub> vs.  $\Phi$ , EINO<sub>x</sub> vs.  $P_3$ , EINO<sub>x</sub> vs.  $T_3$ , to estimate  $N1, N2, N3$ .
- With estimated  $N1, N2, N3$  as initial guesses, Multiple regression method is used to determine the final values for  $K, N1, N2, N3$ .



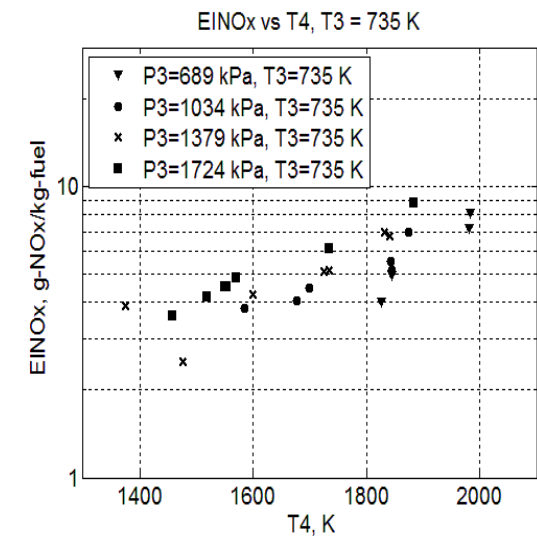
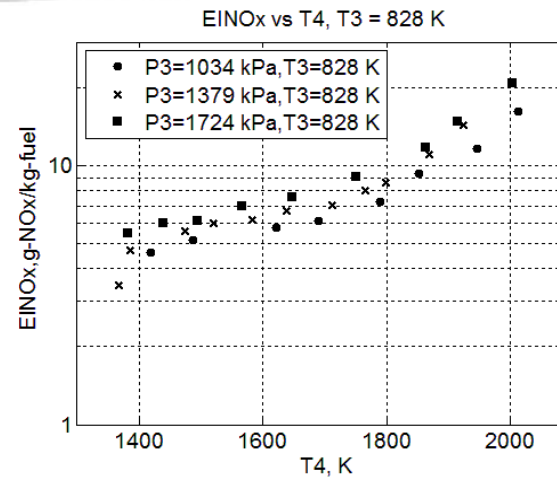
# Test Results



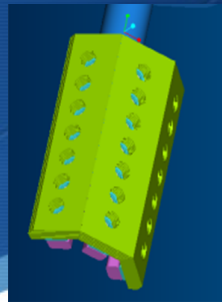
## Low Engine Power



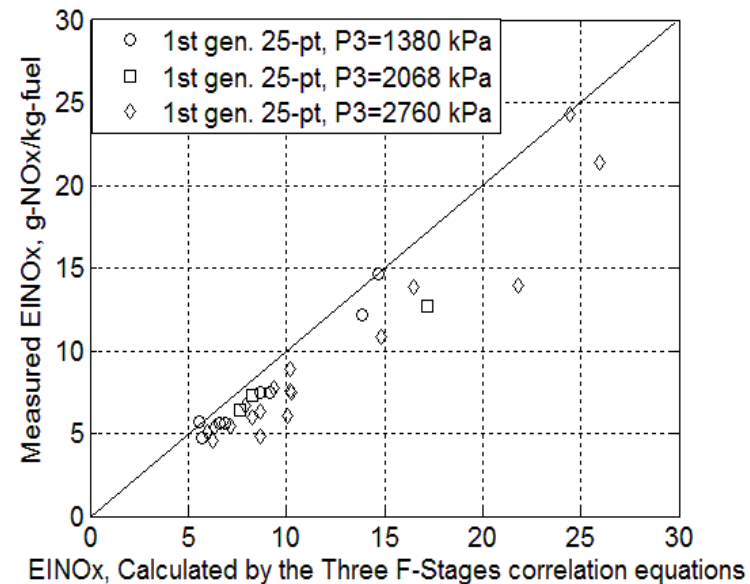
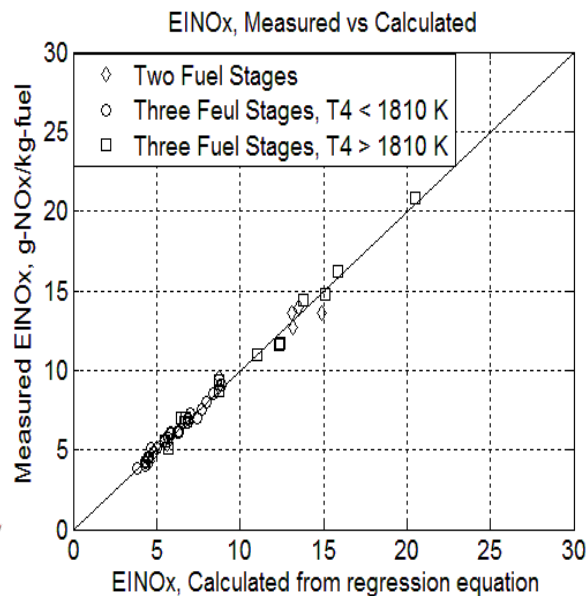
## High Engine Power



# Three NOx Correlation Equations



(1) Two F-Stages	$EINO_x = 0.364 * P_3^{0.60} * e^{\frac{T_3}{200}} * \Phi^{3.03}$
(2) Three F-Stages ( $T_4 < 1810$ K)	$EINO_x = 0.0052 * P_3^{0.46} * e^{\frac{T_3}{170}} * \Phi^{0.97}$
(3) Three F-Stages ( $T_4 > 1810$ K)	$EINO_x = 0.0058 * P_3^{0.516} * e^{\frac{T_3}{132}} * \Phi^{3.32}$





# ICAO LTO NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions

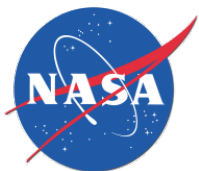
- 55:1 pressure-ratio engine cycle.
- 37.6 g/kN, 66 % blow ICAO CAEP-6.

Power condition	Cyclic Time (min)	NO <sub>x</sub> , EI (g/kg)
7%	26	1.68
30%	4	3.57
85%	2.2	24.7
100%	0.7	52.4
Total LTO NO <sub>x</sub>		37.6 g/kN



# Conclusion

- ◆ Three NO<sub>x</sub> correlation equations
- ◆ NO<sub>x</sub> is a strong function of  $\Phi$  and T<sub>3</sub>, weak function of P<sub>3</sub>.
- ◆ N<sub>1</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>3</sub> change with fuel staging, flame temperature.
- ◆ NO<sub>x</sub> emission for this LDI injection concepts is 66 % blow ICAO CAEP-6.
- ◆ P<sub>3</sub> tested was less than 50% of full power engine inlet air pressure, future experiment at higher inlet air pressure condition is needed.





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