

## Small Engine / Low Emissions Combustor Design Considerations

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# Agenda

- Honeywell aero gas turbine product lines
- Environmental regulations
- Small engine challenges for low emissions combustors
- Honeywell's design approach and development process
- Enablers for developing combustor technology
- Honeywell SABER-1 combustor technologies
- Analytical and Experimental Results
- Go-forward plans
- Summary



# Honeywell Turbine Engine Products





TPE331-12

**FPE331-10/11** 

TPE331-5

More Than 135,000 Engines Delivered

# **Drivers for Low Emissions**

• Situation:

- Pollutants: NOx, CO, UHC and Smoke / nvPM
- Local air quality and global climate change
- Regulations & Other Drivers:
  - ICAO regulation (LTO cycle)
  - Economic measures (Airport landing charges)
  - Market expectations





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# More on Emissions Regulations

ICAO\*

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- Sets standards for aviation emissions
- Works through CAEP\*\* which meets every 3 years to update standards
- CAEP has representation from government agencies & industry
- ICAO regulations
  - DP/Foo for NOx, CO, UHC
  - Smoke Filter stain
  - nvPM Most likely will be decided during CAEP/10 in 2016

 $\frac{D_p}{F_{\infty}} = \frac{\sum_{LTO} t_m \times W_f \times EI}{F_{\infty}}$ 

- \*\* Committee on Aviation Environmental Protection
- EI Emissions Index g /Kg (Pollutant/Fuel)

DP/Foo – Mass of pollutant during LTO cycle / Rated thrust of engine





# Engine Cycle Effects on LTO cycle

 Landing/Take-off (LTO) Emissions Cycle\*:

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$$\frac{D_p}{F_{\infty}} = \frac{\sum_{LTO} t_m \times W_f \times EI}{F_{\infty}}$$

 Cycle effect focuses only on performance parameters:

$$\frac{\widetilde{W_f}}{F_{\infty}} = \frac{\sum_{LTO} t_m \times W_f}{F_{\infty}}$$



#### *Engine Performance has significant impact on LTO emissions Small Engines have 30% emissions challenge*

\*International Civil Aviation Organization Annex 16, Volume II, 3rd edition.

Challenge

# Performance Requirement Parameters for Low Emissions Combustors

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- NOx
- CO
- UHC
- Smoke
- Ignition & starting perability
- Stability (LBO) margin)

- Combustor life:
  - -Temperatures
  - Temperature gradients
- Turbine life:
  - Pattern Factor
  - Radial Temp Profile
  - Pressure drop
  - -No carbon
- No acoustics

The low emissions combustor must satisfy emissions regulations along with the other combustor design requirements

## Requirements & Challenges in Advanced Combustor Development for Small Engines

- High surface area/volume ratio
  - Proportionally more cooling required
- Centrifugal compressor Effects
  - Packaging diffuser discharge with combustor to minimize pressure distribution effects
- Cyclic content
  - More than 1 cycle per hour induces more fatigue and interactions with other modes (creep, oxidation, spallation)



Challenge

# Challenge to Emissions Reduction

- Aero engines have wide range of firing temperatures at the emissions measurement points
- Both NOx and CO are criteria pollutants
  - Inversely correlated with flame temperature
- Implications:

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- Need to reduce coupling between combustor flame temperature from engine firing temperature (staging)
- Combustor optimization dependent upon engine operating conditions

State-of-the-art combustor technology at 7%, 30%,85%,100% rated thrust Plotted from Engine Emissions Databank



# Trade Challenges with Low NOx Combustor



## Trade Considerations

- Reduced PZ aero loading improves <u>ignition &</u> <u>starting</u>
- Reduced PZ airflow reduces PZ aero loading but it may require reduced cooling which reduces <u>combustor life</u> & excessive <u>smoke</u> can result if PZ F/A is too rich
- Increased volume reduces PZ aero loading but also increases <u>NOx</u>

*The low emissions primary zone design is realized through some often conflicting design choices* 

# **RQL** Technology Focus Areas

- Improved Mixing for primary zone fuel to air ratio uniformity
- 2. Lower cooling flux for higher primary zone fuel to air ratio & less CO generation at low power



3. Residence time optimization

4. Quench Zone mixing optimization

Approach

# **Technology Maturation Process**



## Combustion Design and Analysis Enablers

#### **Combustor Analysis**

## • CFD Analysis focus:

- High-fidelity mesh generation
- Large Eddy Simulation
- High-Fidelity Reduced Mechanisms for Jet-A
- Soot Modeling & Radiation
- Spray Modeling
- Conjugate Heat Transfer
- High Performance Computing
- Thermo-mechanical Analysis focus:
  - Combustor materials & coatings Properties & Lifing



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# Conformal Mesh w/ BL

High Performance Compute Cluster



Enablers

Partnership with Academia



## Combustion Testing Enablers

#### **Combustor Testing**

#### Leverage Existing facilities:

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- Sector & Annular Rig Testing
- Tech7000 Engine
- B757 Flight testing

#### Continue to Develop :

- Configured Specimen Testing
- Optical access to primary zone
- Fuel Spray Diagnostics



Combustor Technology: Well Coordinated Combustor Development Shop and Production Shop



## **Production Facility**

- High volume
- Low cost
- Full manufacturing capability
- Process knowledge transitioned to & from Development Shop

#### **Combustor Development Shop**

- Rapid hardware turnaround
- Full manufacturing & repair capability
- Production quality
- Process knowledge transitioned to & from Production Facility

Combustor performance remains unchanged between facilities

**Process** 

Knowledge



## Optical Capability Provides Enhanced Understanding



# HTF7000 Turbofan Engine Family

#### **Overall Description:**

- 30.6 kN (6,900 lbs) SL takeoff thrust
- PR@Sea level = 22, BPR = 4.2
- Architecture: 2 spool, 2 fan, 4 axial + centrifugal compressor, 2-stage HP turbine, 3-stage LP turbine

#### Aircraft Applications:

- HTF7000: Bombardier Challenger 300, Certified in 2002 with 600 engines w/ 2,000,000 hours; Recertified with SABER-1 combustor in 2010
- HTF7250G: Gulfstream G280, Certified in 2013
- HTF7500E: Embraer Legacy 450/500, Certified in 2014
- HTF7350: Bombardier Challenger 350 2014

Low-Emissions Combustor Technology Initially Focused on HTF7000



HTF7000 Powerplant System

# **Design Features of SABER-1**



# Temperature Contours are Injector CL

#### CFD Modeling approach:

- Geometry: High-fidelity Annulus +
   Combustor Model
- Turbulence: Large Eddy Simulation

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- Chemistry: Laminar Flamelet with reduced jet-A mechanism
- Fuel Spray: Lagrangian tracking, from experimental data
- Soot: Customized formation, coagulation, oxidation model
- Radiation: Discrete-Ordinates



## Comparison of predicted/measured wall temperatures





Liner Temperatures predicted using hot-side convective/radiation boundaries\*
Quantitative predictions match well to measured results

\* R. Dudebout, R. Bohman and R. R. Reynolds "Development of an Effusion Cooled Combustor for the TFE731-60 Turbofan Engine", ISABE 2007-1199, Sept 2007.

# SABER-1 Validation & Certification

- Extensive development testing
  - 18 sector rig tests
  - 30 rig tests

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- 2 endurance tests
- 2 emissions tests
- 1 noise test
- 3 flight tests
- Initial certification in 2010:
  - Compatibility, Operability, Durability and Emissions validated



## Significant Emissions Reduction Achieved

# Summary & Outlook

- ICAO LTO Emissions for Small Engines have sensitivity to scale effects
- Low emissions combustors require careful balance to satisfy operability and hot section life requirements in addition to emissions regulations
- Analytical design, test and fabrication tools enable successful delivery low emissions designs to market
- Honeywell has developed SABER Rich-Quench-Lean technology for initial application to the HTF7000 turbofan engine family
- Honeywell continues work to further reduce emissions on the Summary SABER family of combustors