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# NEW APPROACH FOR ENGINE CONTROL SYSTEM SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

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### **AGENDA**





- 1. Engine control software development: Concept
- 2. Engine control software development over time
- 3. New approach: Model based development
  - a. Model based development: phases
  - b. Model based development: advantages
  - c. Model based development: example
- 4. Conclusions

## ENGINE CONTROL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT -CONCEPT

Software to control the complete powertrain system

>Includes: sensors and actuators needed for control strategies

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**CLOSED LOOP CONTROL** 

- Typical control systems for large engines:
  - $\checkmark$  Rotational engine speed control  $\checkmark$  Monitoring and diagnosis
  - ✓ Rail pressure control
  - ✓ Boost pressure control

- ✓ Emissions optimization
  - ✓ Consumption optimization





## ENGINE CONTROL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT -CONCEPT



Typical example for a large engine: rotational engine speed control

- A lever sets an engine speed set point
- The Engine Control Unit (ECU) functionality shall keep the engine speed constant to the demand value



## ENGINE CONTROL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT OVER TIME

Mayor software improvements over time allowing for: shorter development time, reduce costs and increased quality



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## ENGINE CONTROL SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT OVER TIME





Time consuming

0%



## **NEW APPROACH: MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT**



Working flow:

- 1. Development of software functions using a graphical programming language (e.g. Simulink) according to the customer requirements
- 2. Test the software functions in Simulink using a virtual engine model (closed loop test)
- 3. Generate C code and flash it into the ECU
- 4. Verification of software functions at engine test bench (closed loop test)



## **NEW APPROACH: MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT**





- Detailed engine model: Crank angle resolution for cylinder and gas path
- Innovative, numericallyoptimized approach and advanced solver technology allows real-time capability
- Multiple applications of realtime engine models in the software development process

## **MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT: PHASES**



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Hardware-Tests





#### Engine test bench

- Verification
- Refinement







## **MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT: PHASES**



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### Model-in-the-Loop (MiL)

- ECU concept
- Functions and ECU development





- Entire Simulink environment
- **Development of functions**  $\checkmark$
- Virtual engine model interface  $\checkmark$ available for Simulink
- Closed loop test using virtual  $\checkmark$ engine models

Motor model

State of the Art:

**AVL-Proposal:** 

resolution)





## **MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT: PHASES**

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#### Hardware-in-the-Loop (HiL)

- ECU development
- Pre-calibration, Monitoring, OBD
- Hardware-Tests







## **MODEL BASED DEVELOPMENT: ADVANTAGES**



- Higher maturity of engine control achieved earlier in the development
- No risk of enginecomponent damage in MiL & HiL environment
- Pre-calibration and validation of control functionality are developed in MiL & HiL environment
- Model based software development saves time and money and improves quality of the software

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- Motor type (~ 1 MW per Cyl.)
  Bore > 300 mm
- Dual Fuel (Diesel, Gas)
- One stage turbo with wastegate
- Motor bypass and compressor bypass valve developed for fine λ-control
- Variable valve timing
- Generator operation, ship propulsion





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**Building the model** 

Software development

**Closed loop test (HiL)** 





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Building the model Software development

Closed loop test (HiL)



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**Building the model** 

Software development

**Closed loop test (HiL)** 

Load is constant (100%)





## CONCLUSIONS

- Model based software development saves time and money and improves software quality
- Innovative, physical real-time engine models (simulation in crank angle resolution, 0D gas dynamics) allow the observation of various motor phenomena that can not be considered with mean value models

