Time Resolved Measurements of Soot Concentrations and Mean Particle Sizes during EUDC and ECE Cycles

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Soot particles from combustion engines are under discussion to be one of the most important manmade particles with major biological impact.



Fig. 1: Sensor head flanged below White cell

Fig. 2: EUDC cycle; Top: Mean particle diameter and particle concentration Bottom: Engine speed and torque

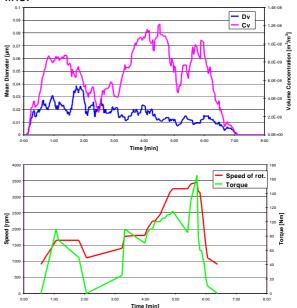
The importance of the soot particle size has grown up with the up-coming discussion of the health effects of soot emissions. Furthermore, sharpened regulations for the particle emissions of diesel engines demand advanced particle measurement systems. The presented system delivers both in on-line mode: Size and concentration of the emitted particulate matter.

The spectral attenuation of three different laser diode wavelengths is used to derive particle diameter and particle concentration.

The relatively low particle concentration and the small primary particles in the exhaust of diesel engines require an optical path length of 10 to 20 m. Fig. 1 shows the sensor, consisting of the signal detector and the transmitting unit adapted to the long-path-cell at the bottom side.

Fig. 2 depicts the behaviour of particle concentration and particle size during the transient EUDC cycle taken by the described on-line measurement system. The transient engine loads are reflected clearly in concentration and size variations.

The particle analyser based on the optical multiwavelength extinction proved to be a most reliable tool to measure on-line and in-situ directly the undiluted particle emission of diesel engines. The two main aerosol parameters "mean diameter" and "volume concentration" are recorded online.



Advantages of the on-line measurement system are the accessibilty to the raw, undiluted exhaust gas and the fast adaptation. The on-line capability permits the direct measurement of either stationary or transient motor conditions.

The data delivered by the presented optical multiwavelength extinction system coincides excellently with gravimetric methods. Furthermore, a fractal analysis correlates perfectly the particle size data with data of DMA measurements.

Further developments in extending the features to record representative gaseous species in the exhaust gas are in progress.

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Explanation of the oral presentation

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Figure	Explanation
1	Authors and title of the presentation
2,3	Implemented theory of the system: The attenuations of three laser wavelengths are measured. According to Bouguer's law and the Mie-Theory, these attenuations are used to calculate the mean diameter and the volume concentration of the aerosol system
4	Schematic of the Long-Path-Multi-Wavelength-Extinction Analyzer
5	Pictures of the heated measurement chamber. Within compact dimensions, the chamber contains an adjustable optical path length in the range of 2.5 to 20 m (folded beam, White principle)
6,7,8,9	Results of transient cycles (EUDC, ECE)
10,11	Preliminary results of the GRPE Particle Measurement Programme (PMP) at EMPA, CH-Dübendorf in June 2002. Seven different time resolved measurements of the European Transient Cycle (ETC) are shown over the complete period of 30 minutes and in detail
12	Conclusion

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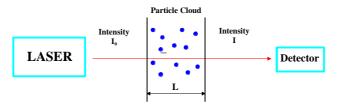
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Fig. 1

Principle of the Dispersion Quotient Technique (1)



monodisperse

 $I \ = \ I_0 {\cdot} exp \{ {\cdot} N {\cdot} L {\cdot} \pi {\cdot} r^2 {\cdot} Q_{ext}(r,\!\lambda,\!n) \}$

polydisperse

 $I \ = \ I_0 \cdot exp\{-L \cdot N \cdot \pi \cdot \int r^2 \cdot Q_{ext}(\lambda, r, n) \cdot p(r) dr$

with:

 $\begin{array}{lll} I & = & \text{intensity} \\ I_0 & = & \text{initial intensity} \\ N & = & \text{particle concentration} \\ L & = & \text{optical path length} \\ r & = & \text{particle radius} \end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{lll} Q_{ext} & = \mbox{ extinction coefficient} \\ \lambda & = \mbox{ wavelength} \\ n & = \mbox{ refractive index} \end{array}$

p(r) = number distribution

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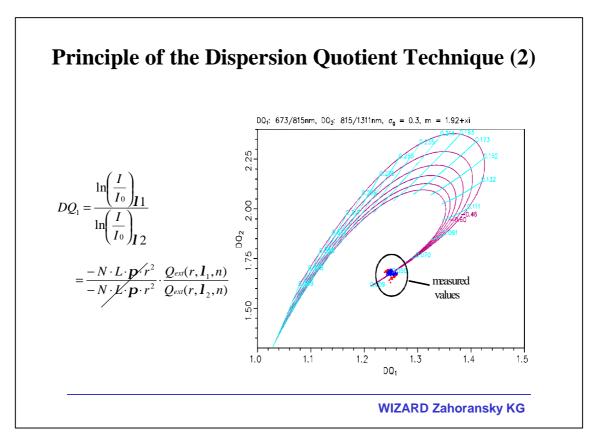


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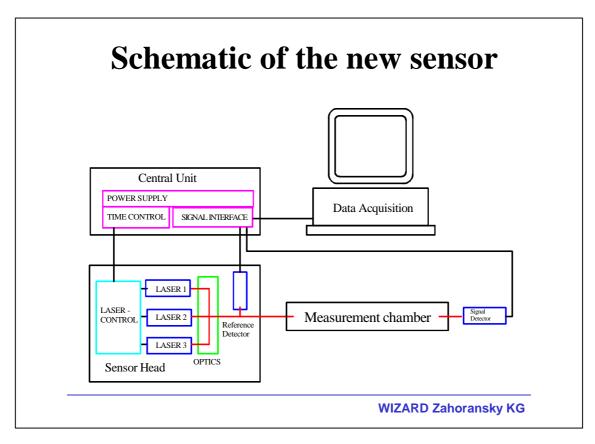


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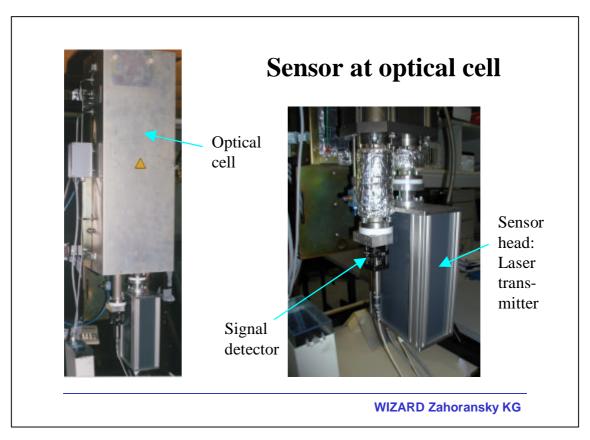


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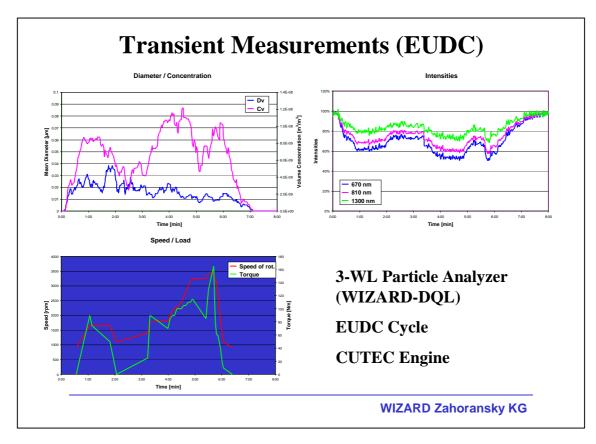


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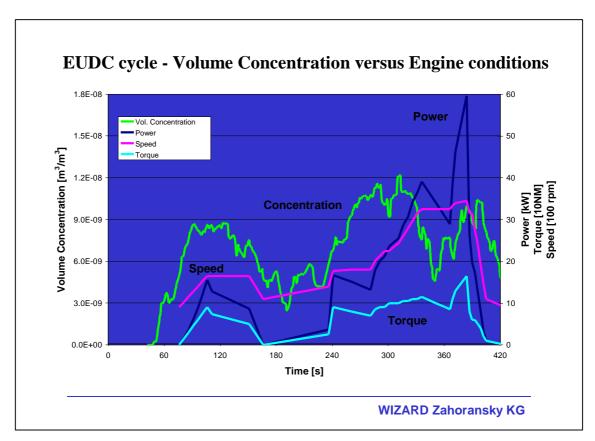


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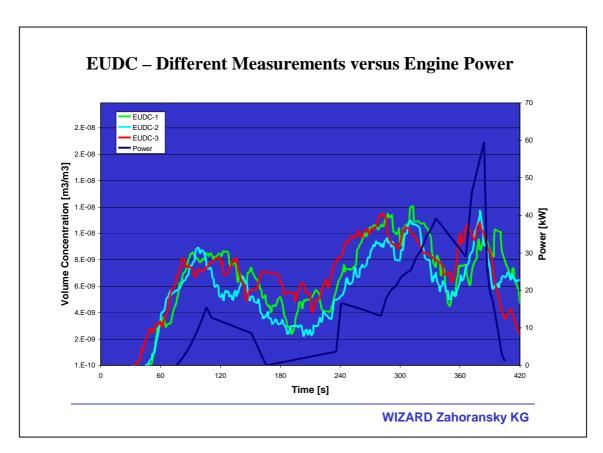


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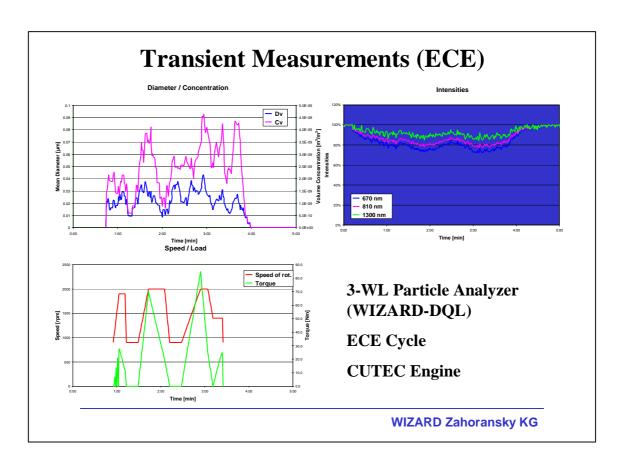


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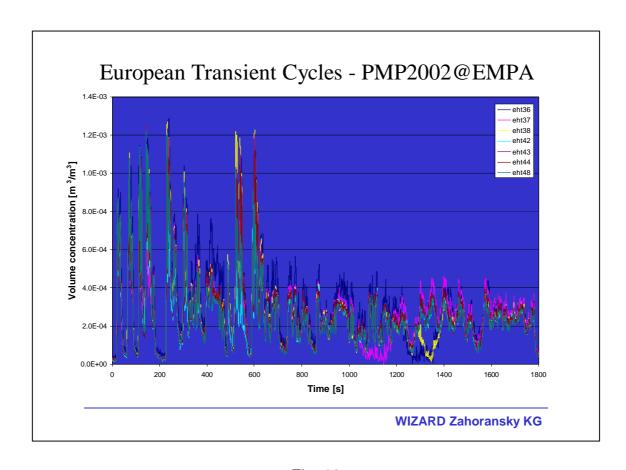


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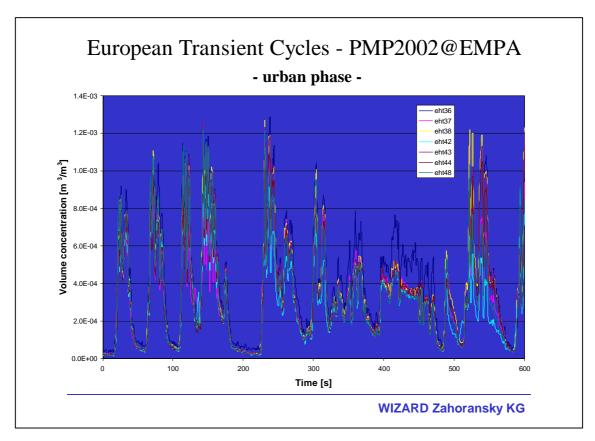


Fig. 11

Summary LMPE Long-Path-Multi-Wavelength Extinction Analyzer

Advantages of the new measurement system:

- · Direct measurements of the hot, undiluted raw exhaust gas
- Fast adaptation to the engine systems
- · Measurement of stationary and transient motor conditions
- On-line/in-line data presentation of mean particle size and concentration, even for fast transient engine conditions, e.g. EUCD, ECE cycles
- Broad concentration range by an adjustable optical path length up to 10 m

Further developments in progress:

Extending the system to record representative gaseous species in the exhaust gas

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