Real-time measurement of lubricant oil additive elements in automotive exhaust particles by inductively coupled plasma time-of-flight mass spectrometry

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Introduction

The online ICP-TOFMS technique is capable of sub-0.1 s measurement of engine oil additive elements (e.g. P, S, Ca, Zn, and Mo) in vehicle exhaust particles.

Ejector Diluter

(Direct Sampling)

- There are significant differences in the emission behavior of PM and engine oil additive element concentrations in automotive exhaust.
- Effects of after-treatment devices (e.g. poisoning) may change significantly depending on elements and driving pattern.

Inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) is widely used for elements in particulate matter (PM). An online analysis technique without difficult handling method is required.

To establish this technique, time & mass resolution, gas exchange for replacing air with argon, and calibration techniques for elements in PM are needed.

Methodology and Vehicle Test

Notch Filt (Argon Ion Filter)

Ion Len: (90°deflection

- · ICP-TOFMS system was used for high time & mass resolution measurement.
- The aerosol inlet interface, equipped with a GED, was used to introduce aerosol particles into the ICP ion source.
- To determine engine oil additive elements in gasoline vehicle exhaust particles, a microflow glass concentric nebulizer was used for instrument calibration.
- Emission cycles, including testing at high loads and cold start driving conditions were tested for a gasoline vehicle.

Data:33µs/spectra (m/z 20-260) (75 elements)

as Exchange Device (GED

for 20 nm

ICP-TOFMS

ICP

Result I : Sub-0.1 s Measurement

 Capable of sub-0.1 s measurement of engine oil additive elements (e.g., P, S, Ca, Zn, and Mo) in automotive exhaust.



Result II : Non-Uniform Emission Pattern

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• Engine ignition at cold start and under high loads increased the particle emissions, in some cases by a substantial amount. However, the engine oil additive elements were not uniform, unlike the composition ratio in engine oil.



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