

# Evaluation of Common Rail Injector and Engine Tail Pipe Emissions of Clean Diesel

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# ***Today's Topics***

***1. Background and Objectives***

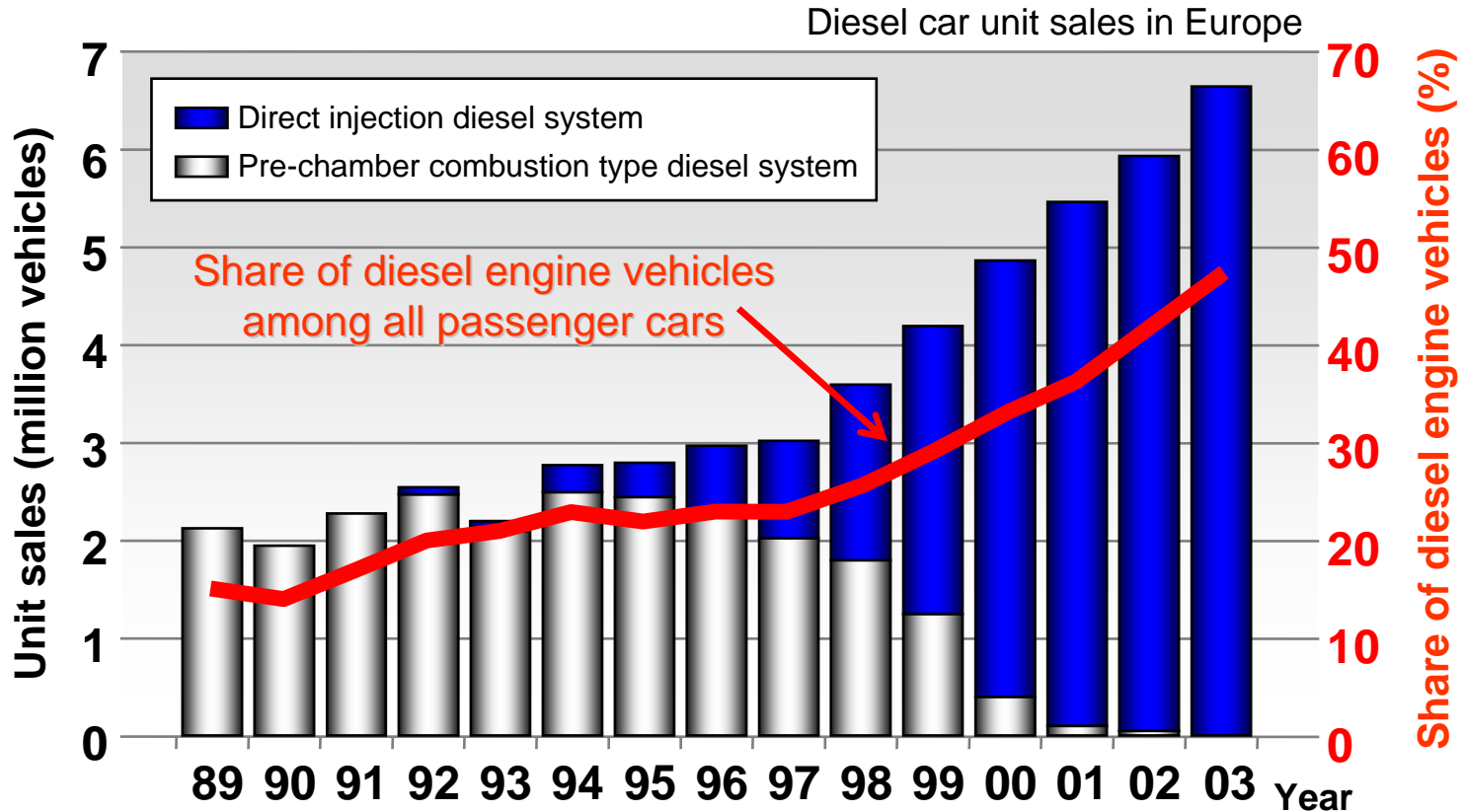
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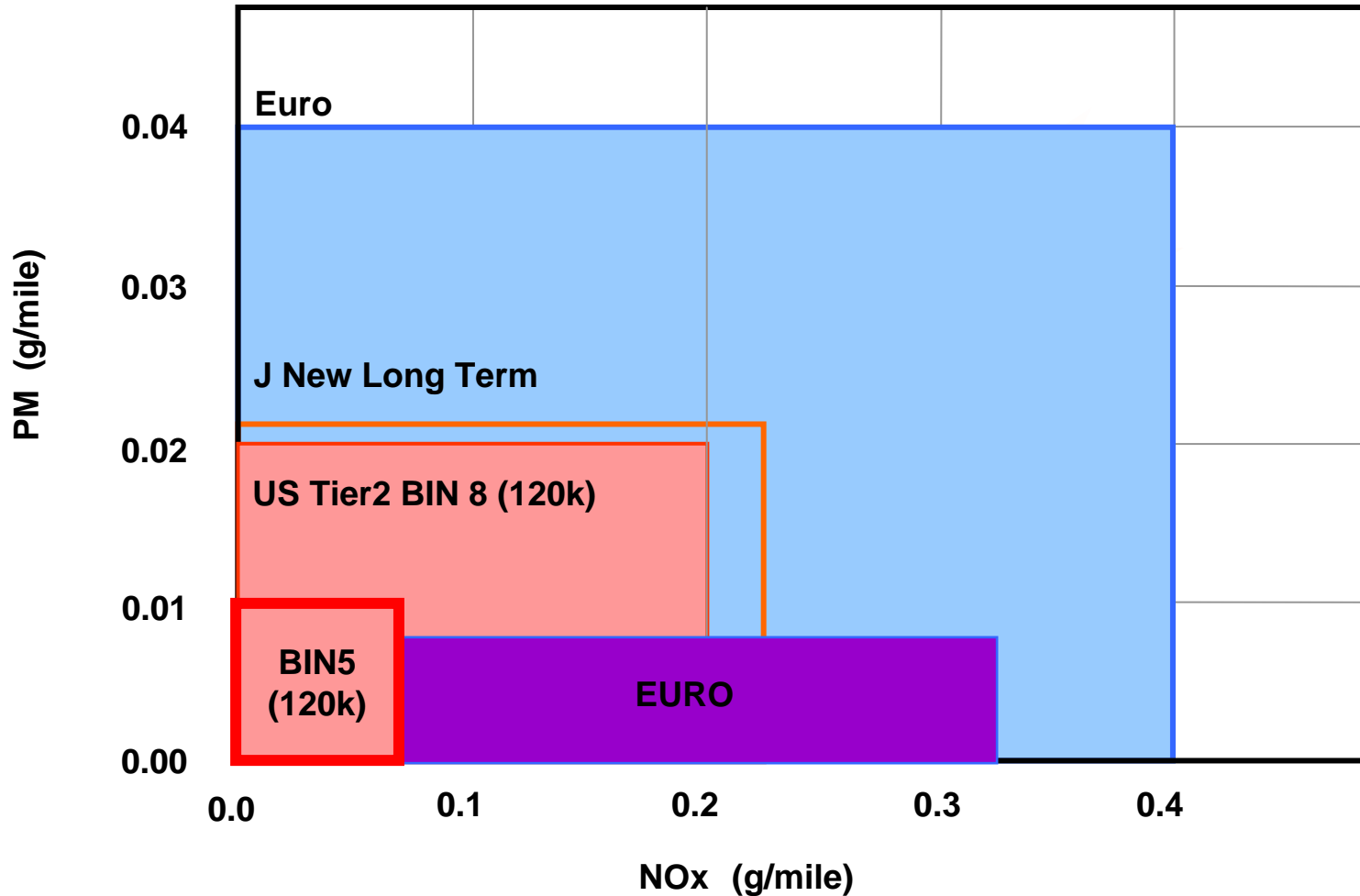
## Use of diesel engines in Europe Market



Since the late 90's, there has been a large increase in the share of diesel engine vehicles.

# Background 2

## Emission Target of Clean Diesel



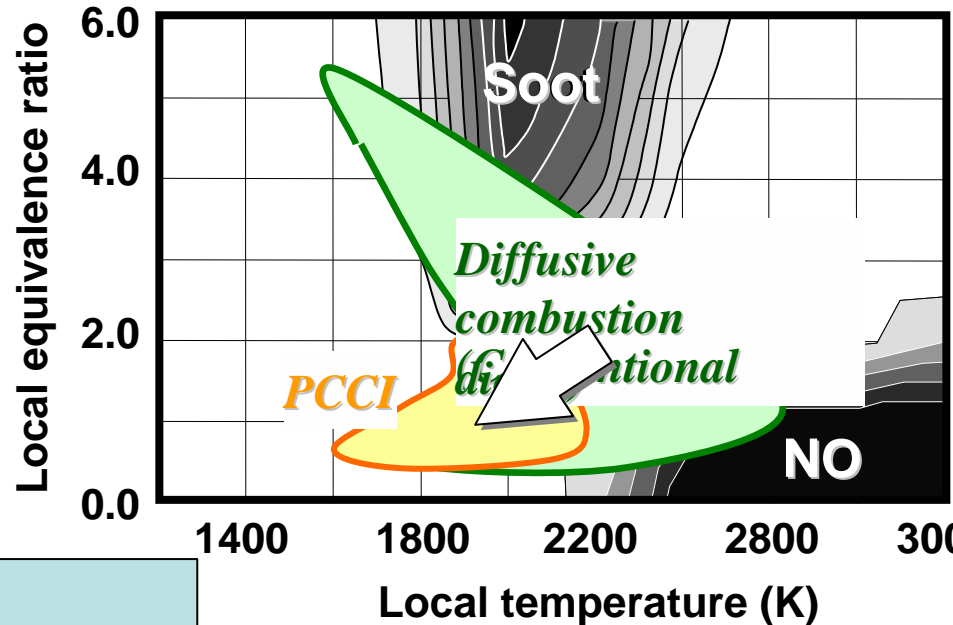
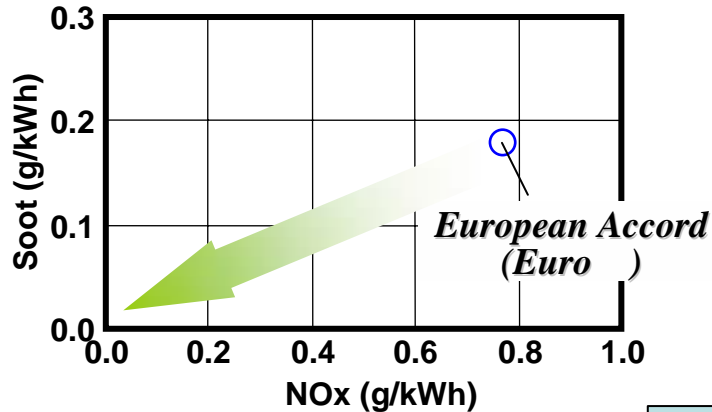
From the viewpoint of global warming,

cleaner emissions for diesel engines are required

# Background 3

## Premixed charge compression ignition (PCCI)

=> significant reduction  
of NOx and soot



We achieve the clean diesel engine using new after treatment technology, and new combustion with cooled EGR and Diesel FIE improvement,

1. Higher Injection Pressure
2. Higher Injection Response
3. Smaller Nozzle Hole

for Lower Local Equivalence Ratio.

# *Objectives*

To meet upcoming more stringent emission regulation, Advanced FIE system is a must item.

This presentation reports two topics as follows

1. Influence of injector-tip performance to spray characteristics and combustion
2. Effect of injector specifications “ injection pressure, hole diameter, response of injector ” to spray characteristics and combustion

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**To evaluate engine out emissions of 7 same spec. nozzles by a single cylinder engine and items regarding spray and R.O.I. likely to affect emission by correlation coefficient .**

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# ***Test menu & experimental apparatus***

- 1) Engine out emission  
; Single cylinder engine***
  
- 2) Spray form  
; Hi-Speed digital video camera***
  
- 3) Rate of injection  
; Injection test stand***

# Test engine

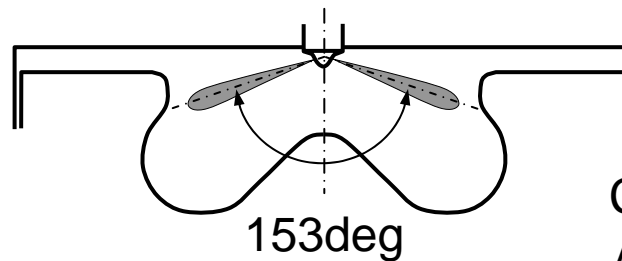
## Engine specifications

Engine Type	4-stroke single cylinder direct injection diesel engine
Displacement volume	550 (cm <sup>3</sup> )
Bore x Stroke	85.0 (mm) x 97.1 (mm)
Fuel injection system	Common rail
Injection nozzle	0.139 (mm) x 6 holes
Swirl control valve	Continuously variable

## Test fuel specifications

Fuel cetane index	52.0
Density at 15 ( )	839 (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Viscosity at 40 ( )	2.833 (mm <sup>2</sup> /s)

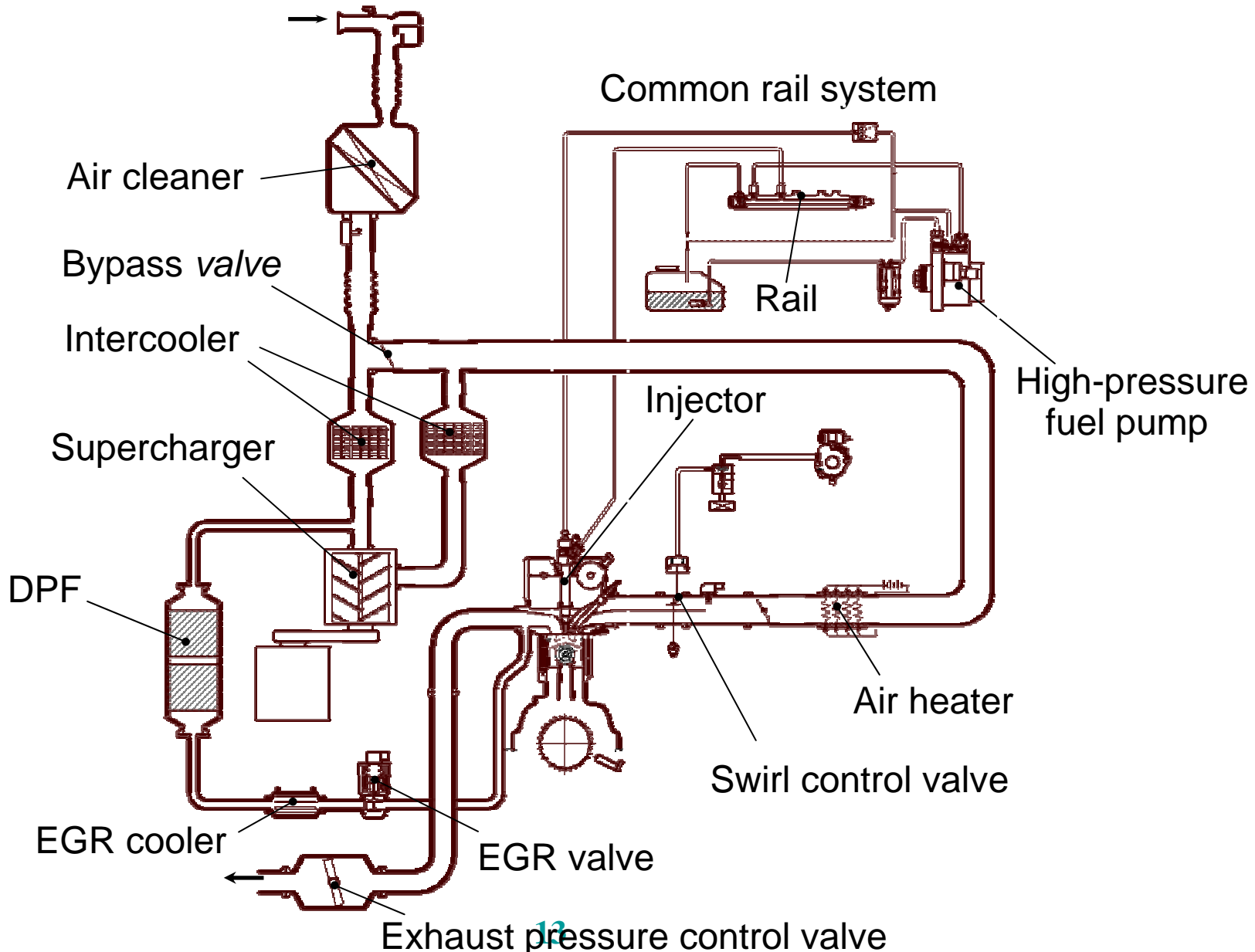
## Outline of piston bowl and nozzle cone angle



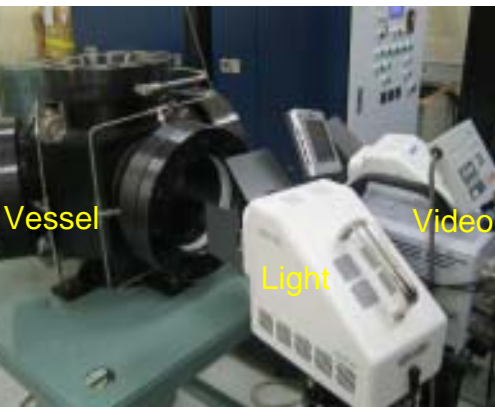
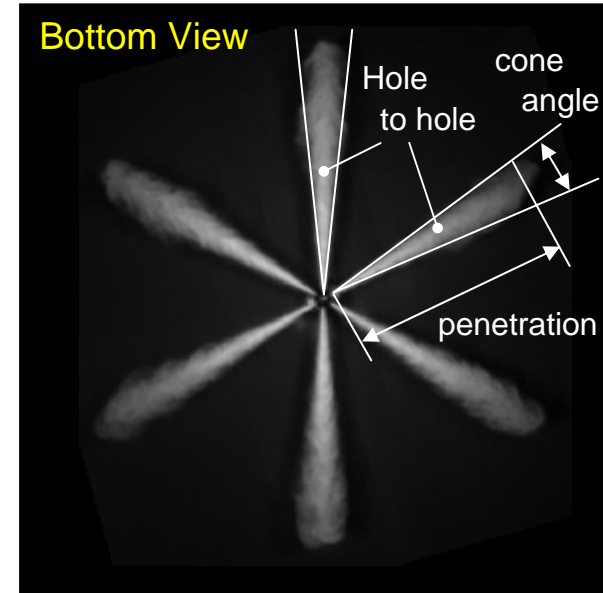
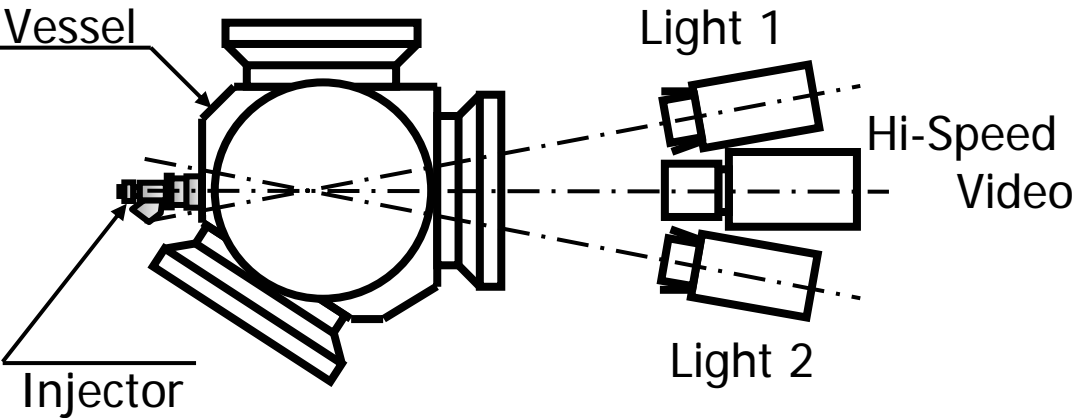
Compression ratio ; 16.7

Aspect ratio ; 2.9

# Test engine system



# Hi-Speed image recording system



## Hi-Speed Digital Video

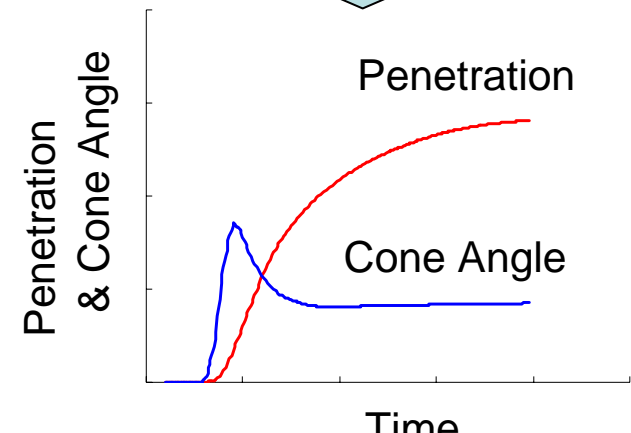
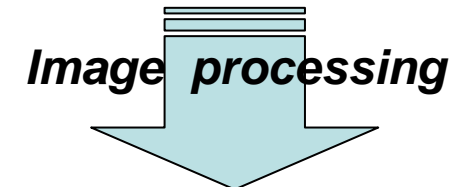
- 10000FPS / 512 × 512pix
- Shutter Speed ; 2  $\mu$  sec

## Lighting

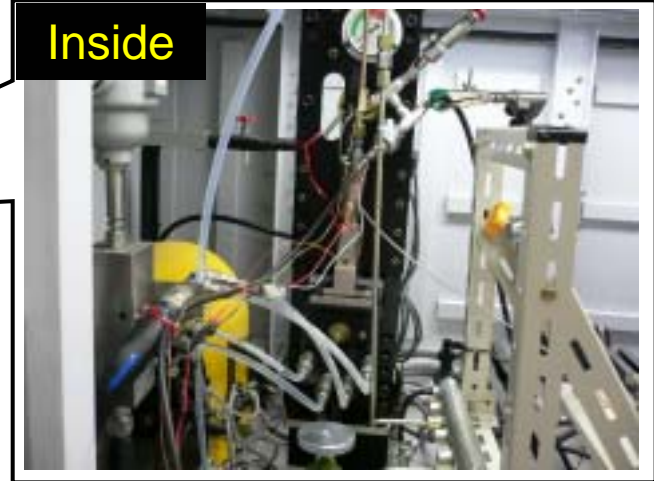
- Metal halide; 150 W × 2

## Vessel

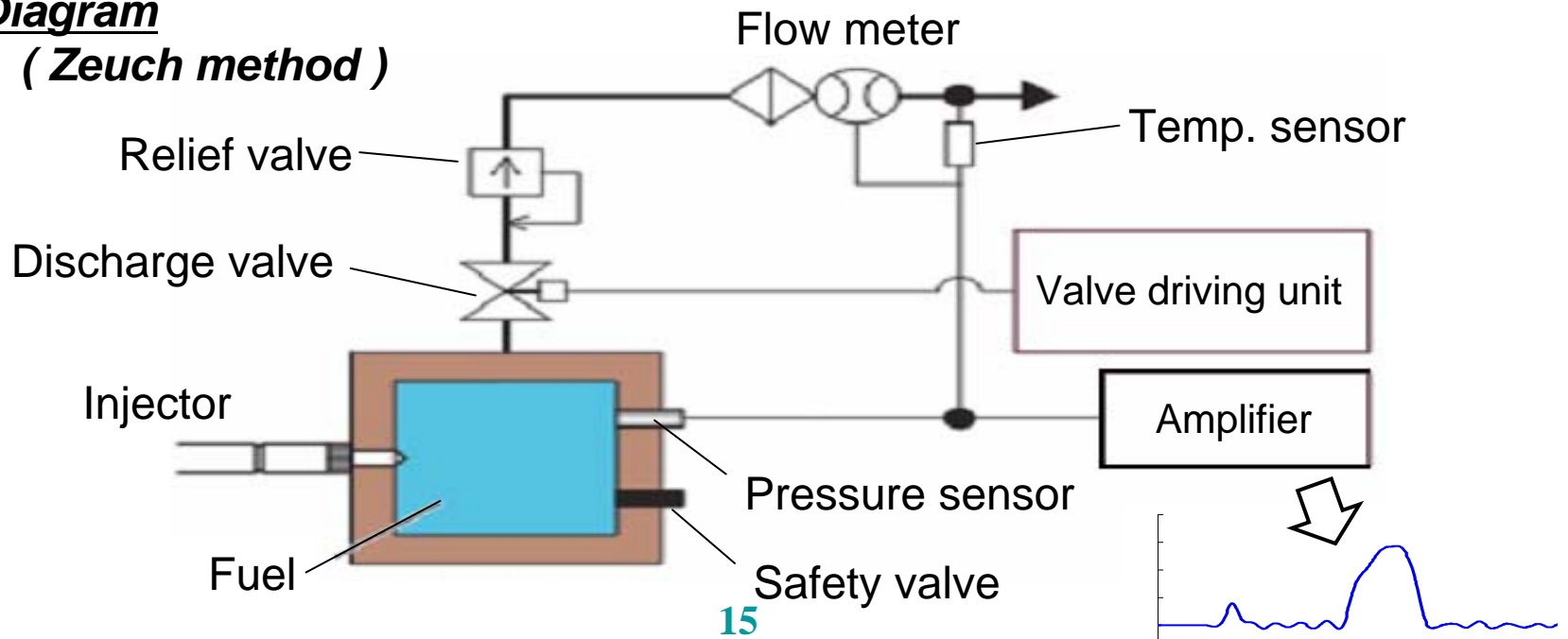
- Window ; 200mm × 3
- Pmax ; 2.0 MPa
- Ambient gas ; N2



# Injection test stand



## Diagram (Zeuch method)



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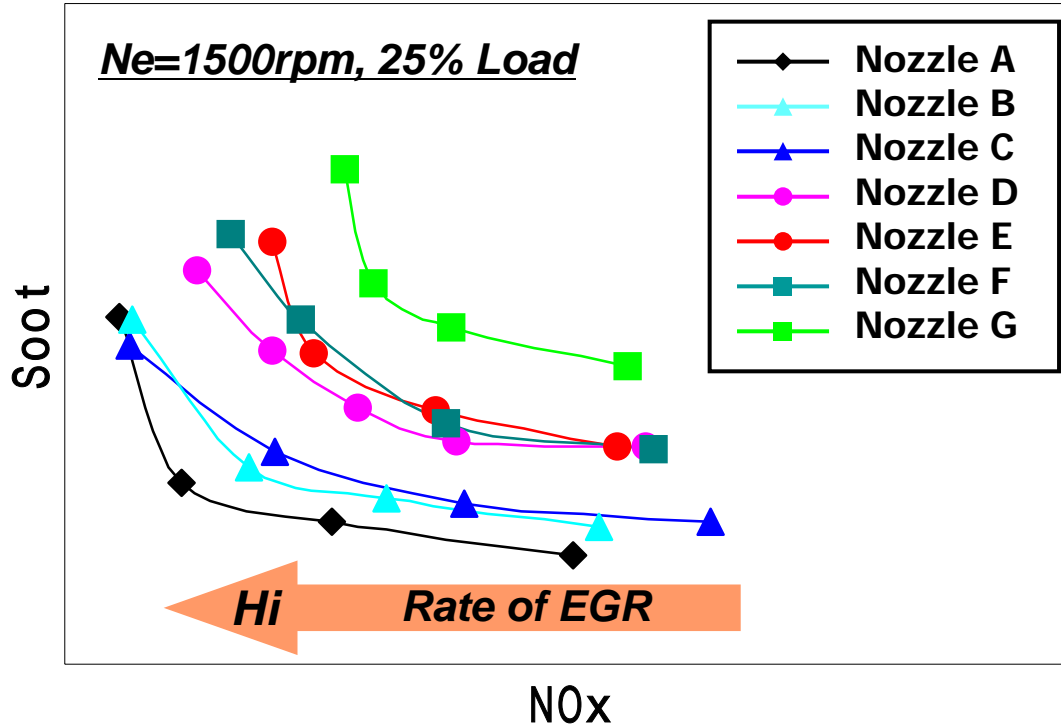
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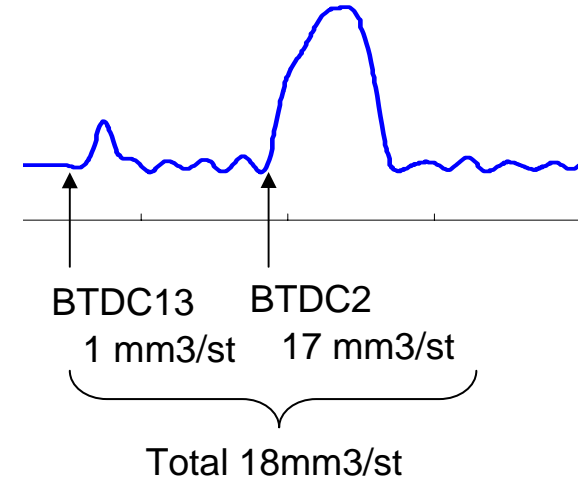
**2-3 ; Rate of injection**



# Test results ; Engine out emissions



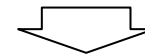
*Injection Timing & quantity*



Nozzle A-G { Same spec.  
139[mm] x 6 holes  
but...



Differences of R.O.I. & spray form



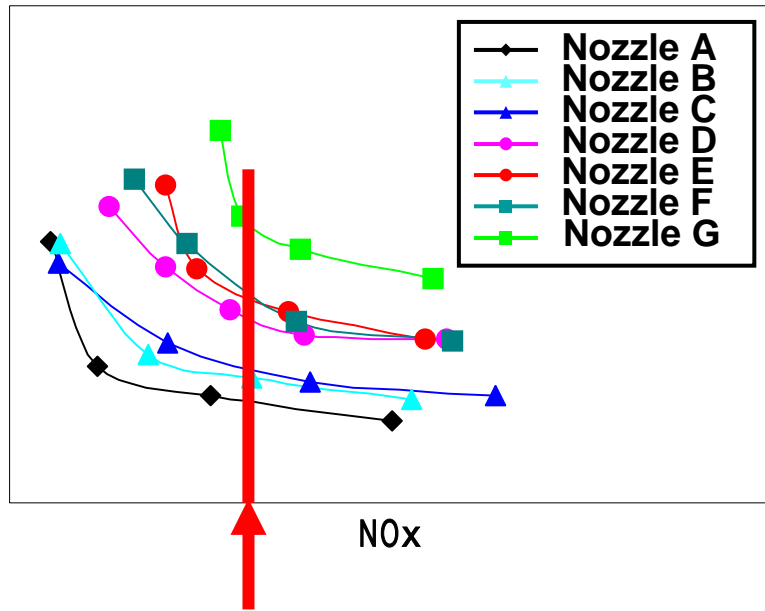
Make variance in emissions

# *Test conditions ; Spray form*

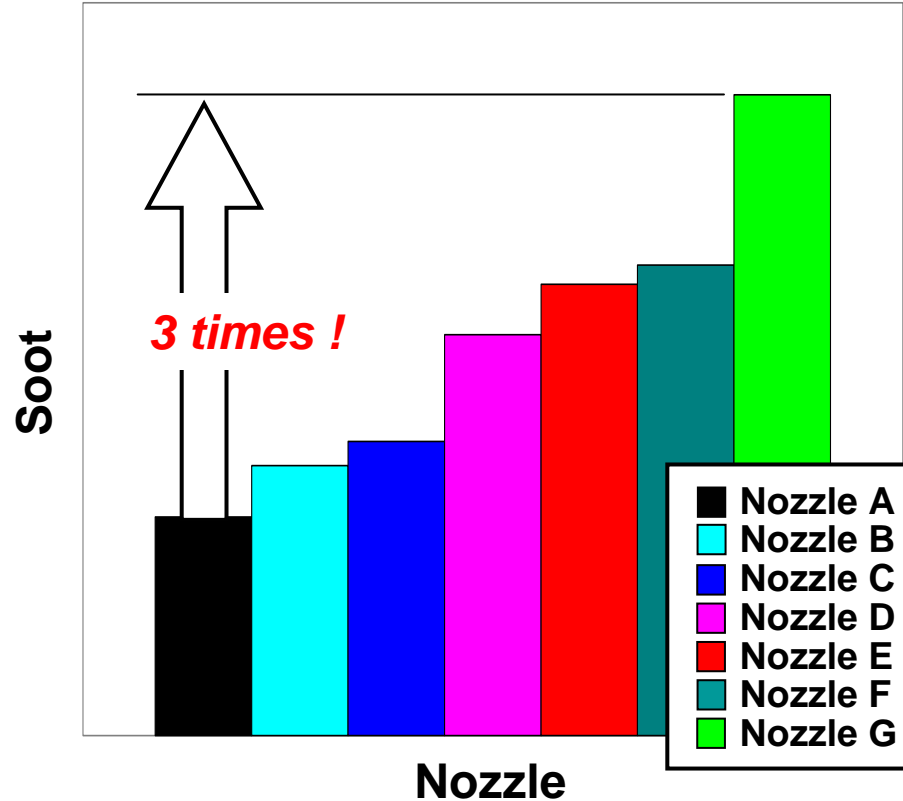
Fuel		Gas oil (E-2)
Fuel temperature	[K]	313
Rail pressure	[MPa]	71
Injection quantity	[mm <sup>3</sup> /str]	18
Ambient gas		N2
Ambient gas pressure	[MPa]	1.4
Ambient gas density	[kg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	16.1
Ambient gas temperature	[K]	293

# NOx & Soot trade-off curve

*Ne=1500rpm, 25%Load*



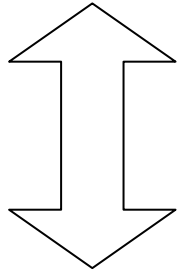
Setting point of multi-cylinder engine and vehicle



# Items for evaluation

## Engine out emissions

- Soot @ NOx=3 [mg/sec]



For evaluating relations between emission and spray characteristics

## Correlation coefficient

### 1. Spray form

#### Hole-to-hole difference

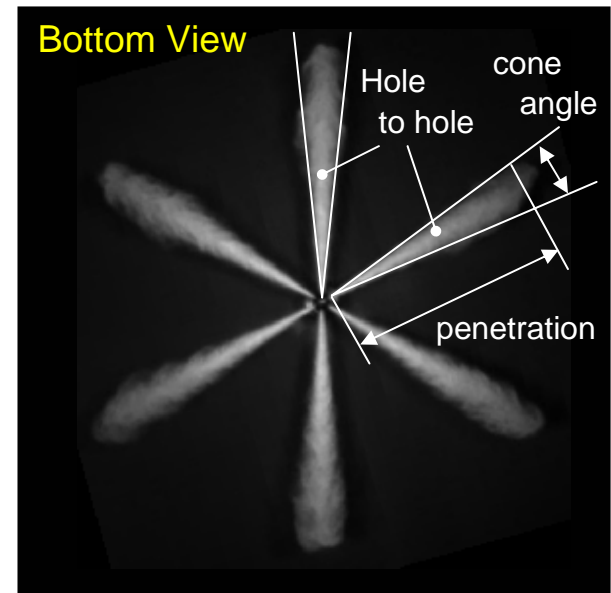
- Penetration
- Spray angle

#### Average of 6-holes

- Penetration
- Spray angle

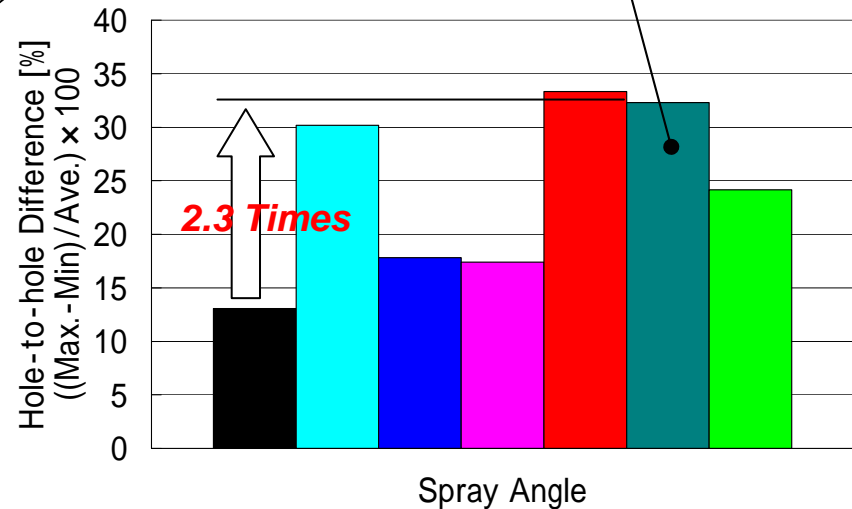
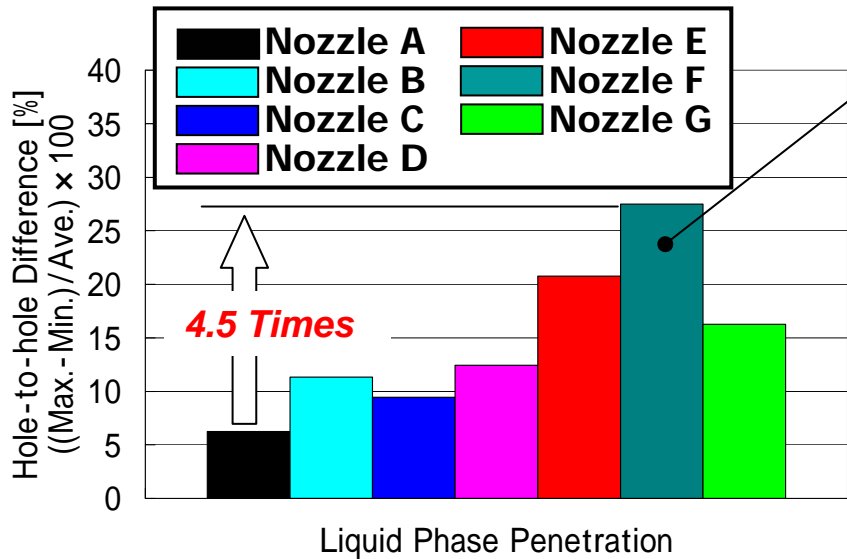
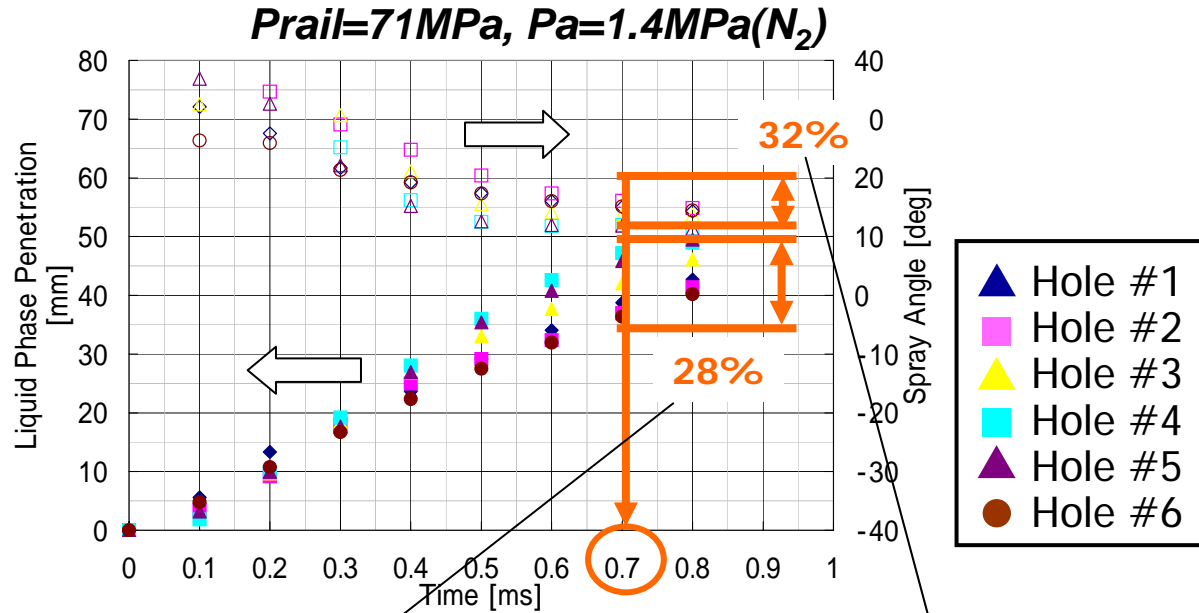
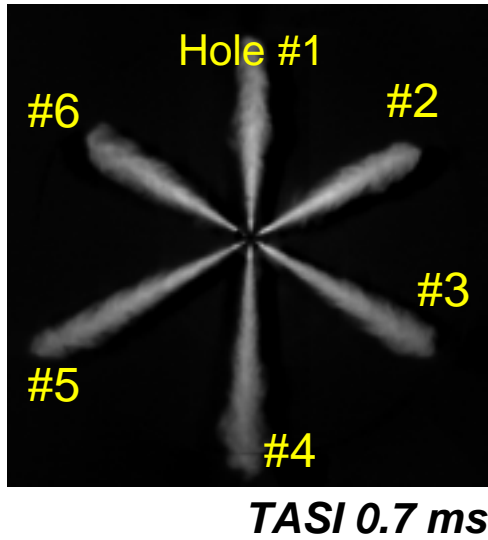
### 2. Rate of injection

- Averaged injection rate

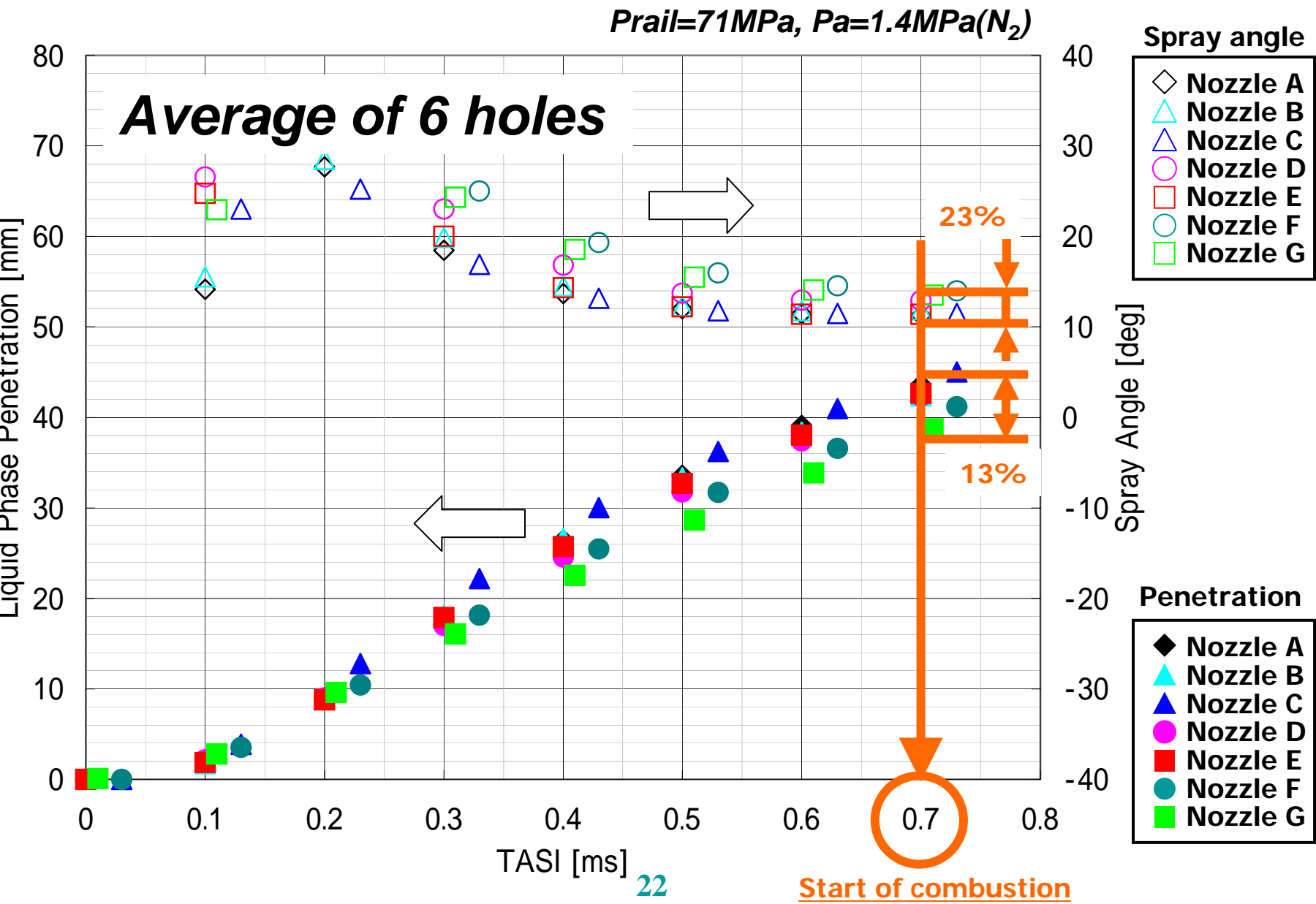


# Hole-to-hole differences of spray form

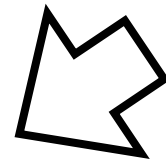
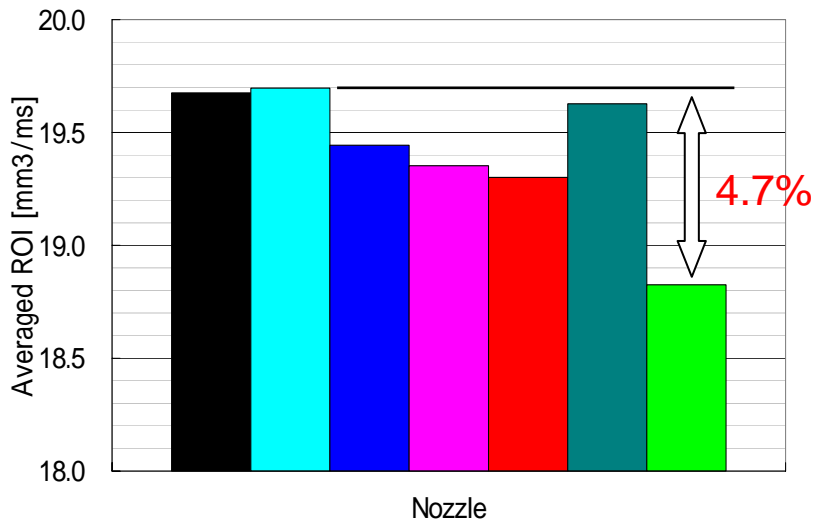
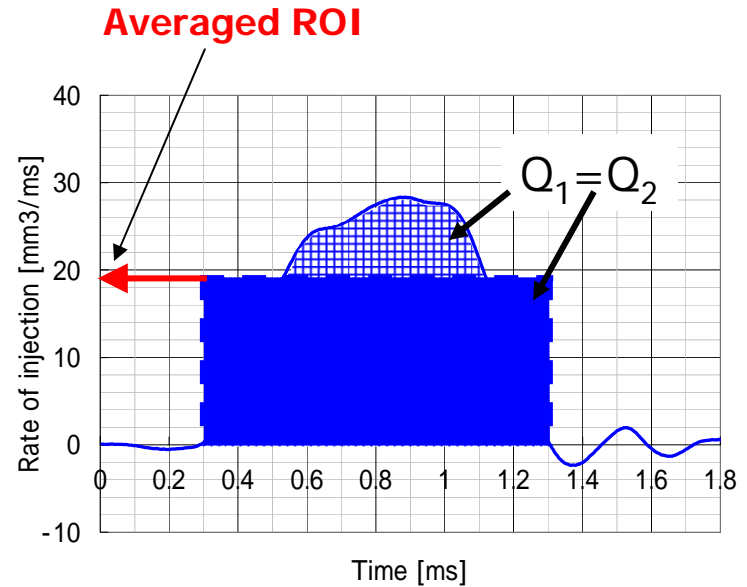
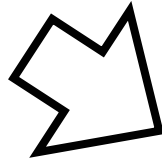
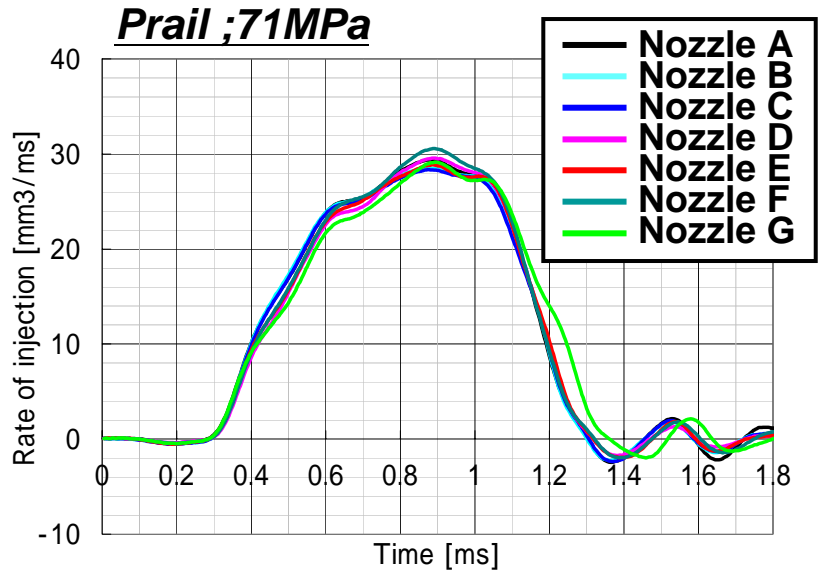
## Ex.) Nozzle F



# Averaged penetration & spray angle



# Difference of rate of injection




# Correlation coefficient

Correlation Coefficient ;  $R_{xy}$

Sample ;  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

Sample ;  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$

$$R_{xy} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{[\{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2\} \{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2\}]^{1/2}}$$

$1.0 \geq  R_{xy}  \geq 0.7$	Level 1	 Hi ↑ Low
$0.7 >  R_{xy}  \geq 0.4$	Level 2	
$0.4 >  R_{xy}  \geq 0.2$	Level 3	
$0.2 >  R_{xy}  \geq 0$	Level 4	

In this study...

Sample ;  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

Soot at NOx=3[mg/sec] at each nozzle

Sample ;  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$

Spray form (6holes average, Hole-to-hole)  
Rate of injection at each nozzle



# Correlation of spray form & R.O.I. with emission

Item	Correlation coefficient	
6 holes average penetration	-0.75	Hi-penet.
Averaged injection rate	-0.75	Low soot
6 holes average spray angle	0.61	
Hole-to-hole difference of spray angle	0.48	Hi-rate
Hole-to-hole difference of penetration	0.46	Low soot

## Findings

- Correlation of 6 holes average penetration and correlation of averaged injection rate are negative.

Hi-penetration      Low soot

Hi-injection rate      Low soot

- “Correlations of 6 holes average data are higher than correlations of hole to hole difference data

it is interesting !! 25

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**To evaluate potential of these items**

- **Hi-injection pressure**
- **Small diameter nozzle hole**
- **Hi-response actuator**

**These are main items to meet  
upcoming more stringent emission  
regulation.**

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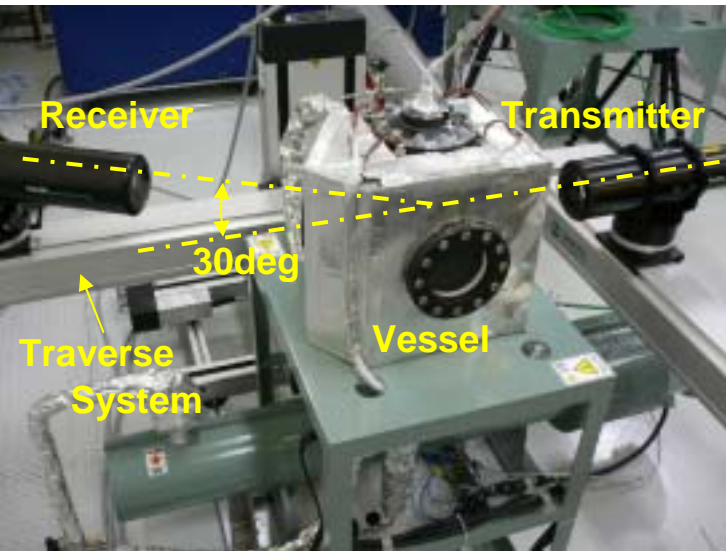
***3) Spray form***

***; Hi-Speed image recording system***

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***; PDA***

# Phase Doppler Anemometry (PDA)



## PDA

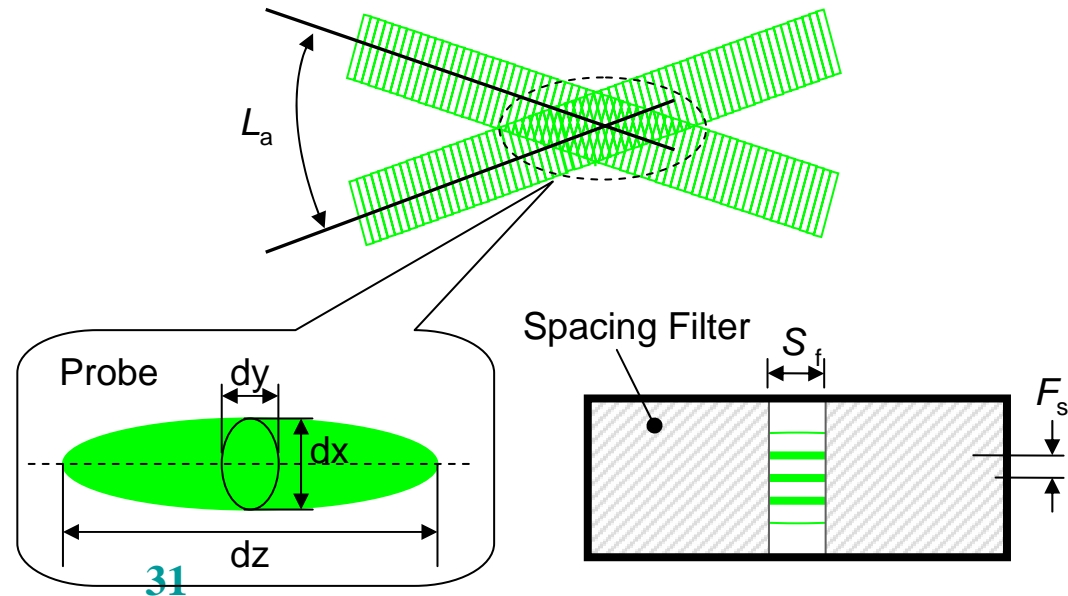
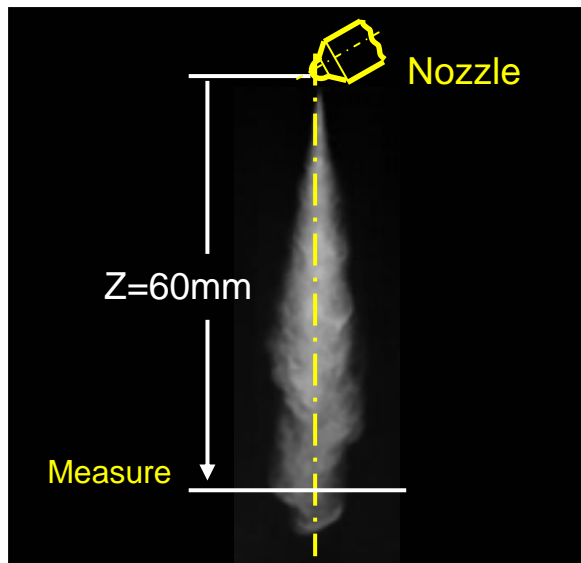
- Ar Laser ; 1W (Max6W)

## Vessel

- Window ; 100mm × 3
- Pmax ; 2.0 MPa
- Ambient gas ; N<sub>2</sub>
- Gas recirculation system

## Traverse system

- Computer controlled
- Resolution min ; 1mm



# *Specifications of Injector*

Item	Mass-product	Proto-type
Actuator	Solenoid	Piezo
Hole Diameter (mm)	0.139	0.121
Number of Holes	6	8



# *Test conditions ; spray*

Fuel		Gas oil (E-2)
Fuel temperature	[K]	313
Rail pressure	[MPa]	71, 98
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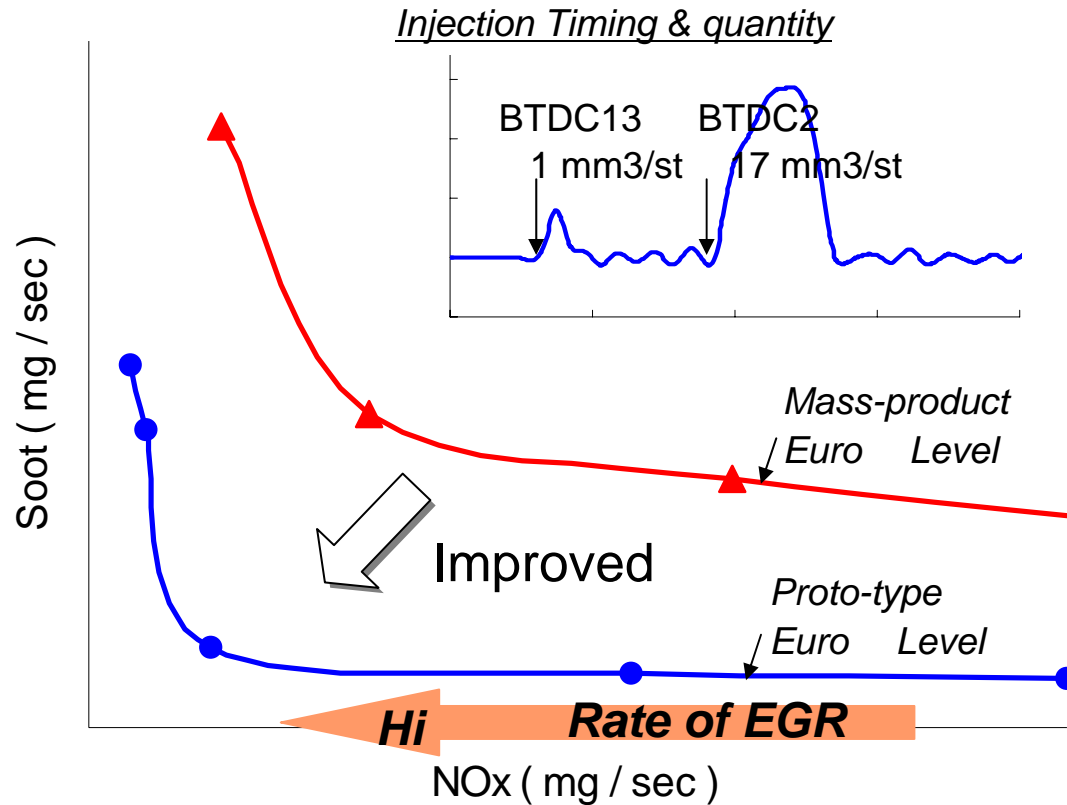
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# Test results of a single cylinder engine

**1500rpm 18mm<sup>3</sup>/st ( 25%Load )**



	( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Pf (MPa)
Mass-product	139	71
Proto-type	121	98

## Items

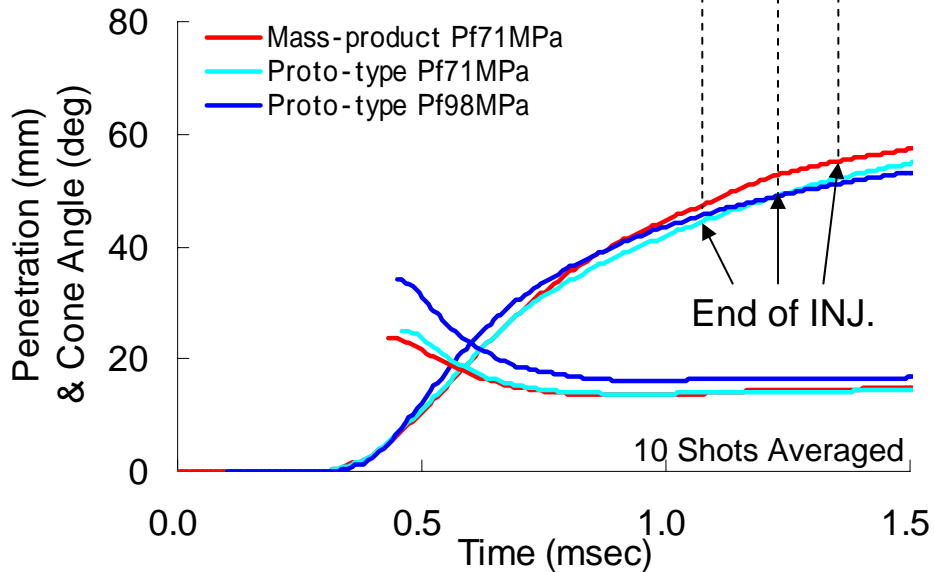
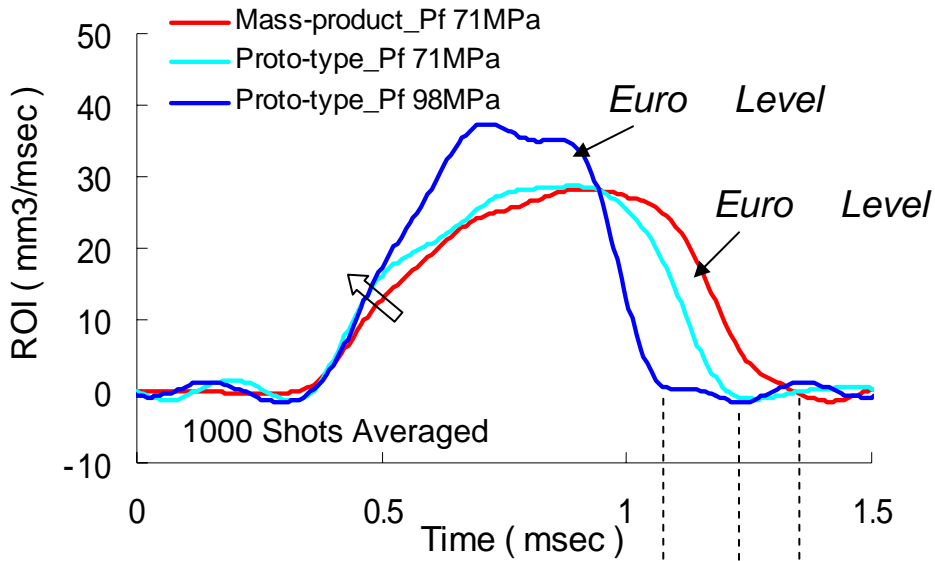
- Hole diameter  
139  $\mu\text{m}$       121  $\mu\text{m}$
- Fuel pressure  
71MPa      98MPa  
Optimized
- Actuator  
Solenoid      Piezo
- Fuel leak  
decreased

**E / M is improved**

**without deteriorating  
fuel consumption**

# Test results ; Spray form and R.O.I.

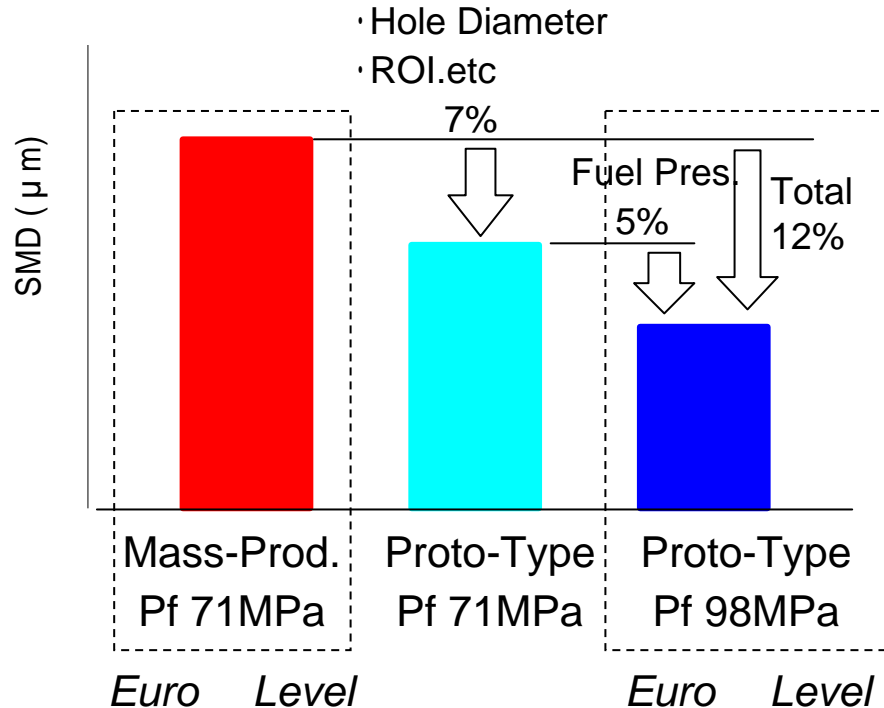
## Injection quantity ; 18mm<sup>3</sup>/st



- Hi-response actuator and hi-fuel pressure improved rate of injection and penetration.
  - Hi-penetration and hi-injection rate reduce emission
- same result as previous results.

# Test results ; Fuel droplet size

Injection quantity ; 18mm<sup>3</sup>/st



- Small hole diameter nozzle and hi-injection rate improved atomization by 7%
- Hi-fuel pressure improved atomization by 5%

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# Summary

1 ) Raking of items to evaluate relation between emission and spray characteristics as follows

High ↑

- 1 ) 6 holes average penetration
- 1 ) Averaged injection rate
- 3 ) 6 holes averaged spray angle
- 4 ) Hole-to-hole difference of spray angle
- 5 ) Hole-to-hole difference of penetration

2-1) Hi-injection pressure (71MPa 98MPa), small hole diameter ( 139 121  $\mu$  m) and hi-response actuator (solenoid piezo) contribute to reduce NOx and soot significantly.

2-2) These items enhance atomization.  
Effect of items evaluated by SMD as follows

Hi-injection pressure (71MPa 98MPa)	5%	} Total 12%
Small hole diameter ( 139 121 $\mu$ m)	} 7%	
Hi-response actuator (solenoid piezo)		

# ***Future Work***

## ***1. Hi-pressure vessel ( room temp. )***

- Concentration***

## ***2. Optical Engine***

### ***1) Spray***

***2-1; Effect of hi-temperature***

***2-2; Effect of swirl***

### ***2) Combustion***



*Thank you so much for your kind attention*

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