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Towards a 65% CC system



DOE targets are driving a step change in GT combustion technology

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Towards a 65% CC system

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Brayton Cycle

- Plant output and efficiency improved by raising the top of the cycle
- i.e. Higher firing temperature and pressure.

Rankine Cycle

- Plant output and efficiency improved with better utilization of GT Exhaust energy.
- i.e. Higher bottoming steam temperature and pressure.

Source: Ibrahim et. al (2012)

65% CC efficiency targets Firing Temperature > 1700°C

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Siemens Solution to Program Challenge: Combustion Development



Combustion Technology "jumps" are required to shift NOx curve right

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Siemens Solution to Program Challenge: Combustion Development



Parallel Combustion approaches for NOx reduction

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Siemens Solution to Program Challenge: Combustion Development



Focus of this program is on Cooling & Leakage Air Reduction for Low NOx
 Lower required flame temperature for a given TIT → Reduced NOx

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Enablers: Advanced Transitions (AT)

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AHE + AT

- Developed during DOE-H2 program (DE-FC26-05NT42644)
- Allows for reduction of cooling air
- Low NOx at J-class conditions
- System residence time not optimized for 65% CC operating conditions

Advanced Transition (AT) \rightarrow Reduced Cooling air consumption

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Objective:

 Phase 2: Design a CMC inlet for Siemens Advanced Transition

Benefits:

- Reduction in Cooling Air → NOx reduction or RIT increase
- CO reduction (eliminate wall quenching)
- Reduced aero losses
 - Due to cooling air mixing
 - Due to cooling air ducting

Premise:

- Existing Siemens' CMC material
- No through-wall cooling (backside only)
- Shape conducive to CMC manufacture
- Durability demonstrated in 25K hr test
- Readily tested in combustor rigs

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Concept schematic



Experience base



- Siemens Hybrid Oxide CMC system (FGI thermal barrier)
- Filament wound combustor outer liner (made by COIC)
- Operated in Solar Centaur 50™ engine.
 - 25,404 hours / 109 cycles;
 - Bakersfield, CA
 - Still serviceable
- Surface & CMC temperatures representative of AT inlet

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Benefits: Cooling Air Reduction



→ NOx emissions reduction at High Firing Temperatures

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Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency Siemens' Hybrid CMC Technology

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Coating: FGI (Friable Graded Insulation) – Siemens patented material consisting of thermally stable hollow ceramic spheres closely packed in a ceramic matrix binder.



The HYBRID concept is a Siemens patented approach CMC offers: Reduction in cooling vs. TBC/metal

> **Increased surface temperature limit**

- The Siemens system is a HYBRID system: Oxide CMC coated with a unique TBC → FGI
- This keeps the oxide CMC at lower temp while providing overall system high temp capability
- This hybrid system overcomes a lot of the issues previously perceived for oxide CMCs



Substrate: COI Ceramic's AN720 oxide-oxide CMC system providing strain-tolerant, notch-insensitive behavior up to 1200°C

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Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency CMC Technology Status

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Combining two high pay-off technologies individually developed & tested

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CMC Component Testing Summary

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- Bench testing
 - Mechanical, thermal, fatigue, impact, etc.



Ring segments (4 types), airfoils, subelements

- Rig testing
 - Simulated engine conditions
 - Durability under combined loadings
 - Subscale & Full Scale components



Combustors, Airfoils, Ring segments (4 types)

- Engine testing
 - Customer site / durability
 - BTF engine



Combustor

Ring Segment

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Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency *Hybrid Oxide CMC Combustor Liner*

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- Siemens Hybrid Oxide CMC system (FGI thermal barrier)
- Filament wound combustor outer liner (made by COIC)
- Operated in Solar Centaur 50[™] engine.
 - 25,404 hours / 109 cycles;
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- Surface & CMC temperatures representative of AT inlet

This test demonstrated CMC durability in a turbine engine environment for representative component lifetime

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Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency CMC Manufacturing Options

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Both manufacturing approaches are feasible for most AT inlet concepts
Concepts with out-of-plane features more conducive to fabric lay-up

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Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency CMC Ring Segment Engine Test

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Full engine set: Tested successfully for > 50 hours

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Siemens Project Team



Siemens has assembled a multi-disciplinary team of internal experts and external vendors and partners to successfully execute this program.

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Schedule & Major Milestones



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Technology Development

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PHASE 1

Conceptual Design

PHASE 2 Technology Development & Testing



Manufacture & Combustor Rig Testing





Engine Testing

Technology Progression for Future Phases identified

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CMC AT Concept Down-selection Process



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Heat Transfer → CMC with backside cooling

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Shell Air Circulation

Comparison of Approaches for High Temperature Components



Ox CMC with EBC Art Metal/TBC Insulating characteristic of Hybrid Oxide CMC enables use of low cooling coefficients (similar to levels in engine midframe)

Radiation Cooling



Radiation cooling method proven effective in previous combustion tests

Two Cooling Options:

 Shell air circulation → feasibility shown with 1D heat transfer
 Radiation cooling → used on Solar combustor liner design Both eliminate active (chargable) cooling

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Supporting CMC Data & Remaining Challenges

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Damage Accumulation & Life Prediction Tools



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System and Attachment
Behavior• Attachment features
• Coating adhesion
• Wear
• Thermal stress
• Abradability
• Impact
• Sealing
• Etc.• Sealing
• Etc.

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Remaining Design / Materials Challenges

- Sealing methods for high temperature
- Metal-to-CMC Interfaces:
 - Wear resistance (anti-wear coatings)
 - Contact stresses / inserts / compliant layers

Ceramic Matrix Composite Advanced Transition for 65% Combined Cycle Efficiency *Micromechanics Modeling (MAC/GMC)*





- Constitutive model (fiber & matrix properties)
- Iteratively best-fit to a series of test data (different geometries)
- Matches stress-strain behavior of simple (uniaxial) and complex shape (multiaxial stress) test data
- Model calibrated and matches test data
- Works interactively with FEA

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 Advanced Simulation Methods Calibrated to Lab and Sub Component Testing to Provide Accurate and Robust Design Rules.

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TBC Testing

Objective:

Simulate TBC failure under pseudo engine condition (high heat flux, backside cooling)

Application of HHFT:

- Down select coating
- Characterize CMC/Coating system behavior





Combustor Rig Testing

Siemens Clean Energy Centre Advanced Transition test rig



CMC Advanced Transition Inlet section will be tested in this dedicated rig facility (full scale; full pressure; full flow; full temperature)

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Hybrid Ox-Ox CMC Rationale

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