# **Internal Combustion Engines for Hybrid Electric Configurations**

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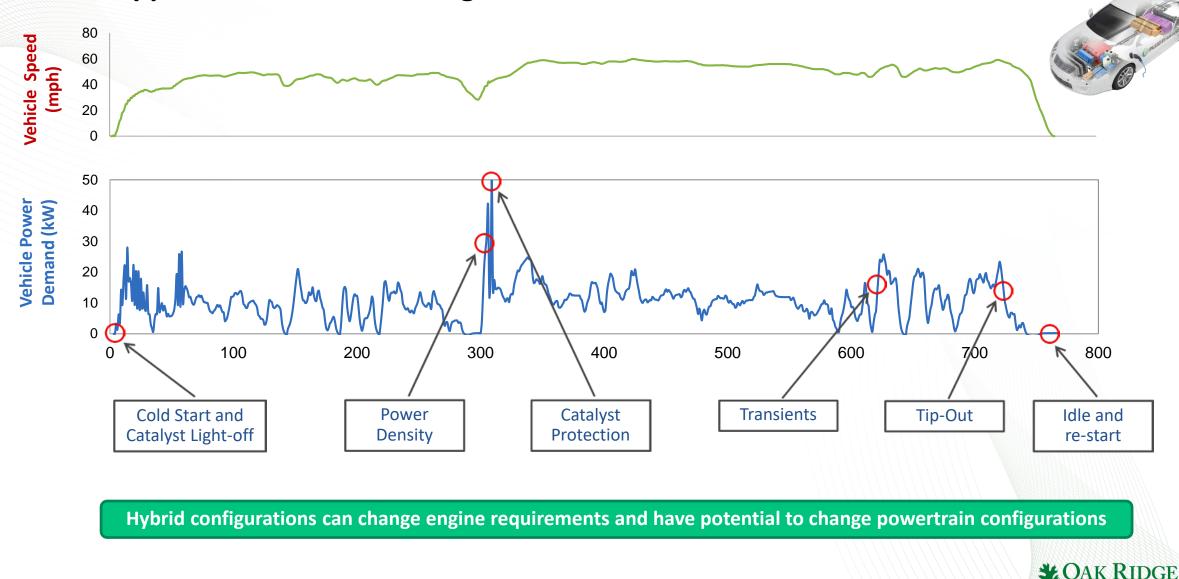


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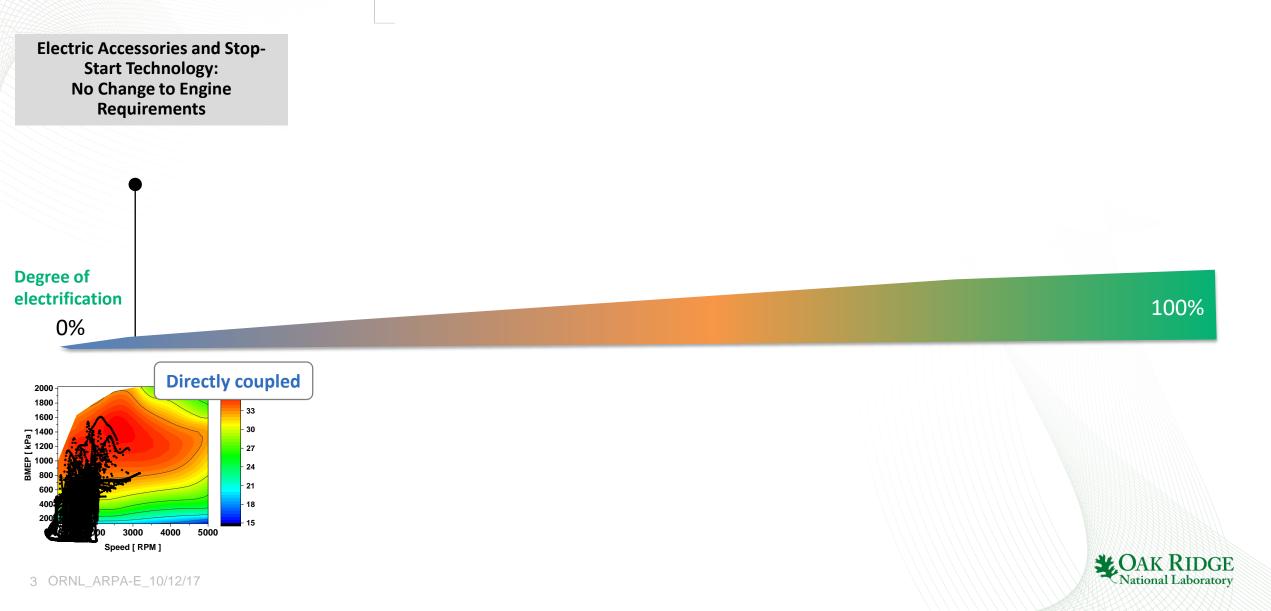


# Hybridization of Light Duty Vehicles Changes Engine Requirements. Presents Opportunities and Challenges

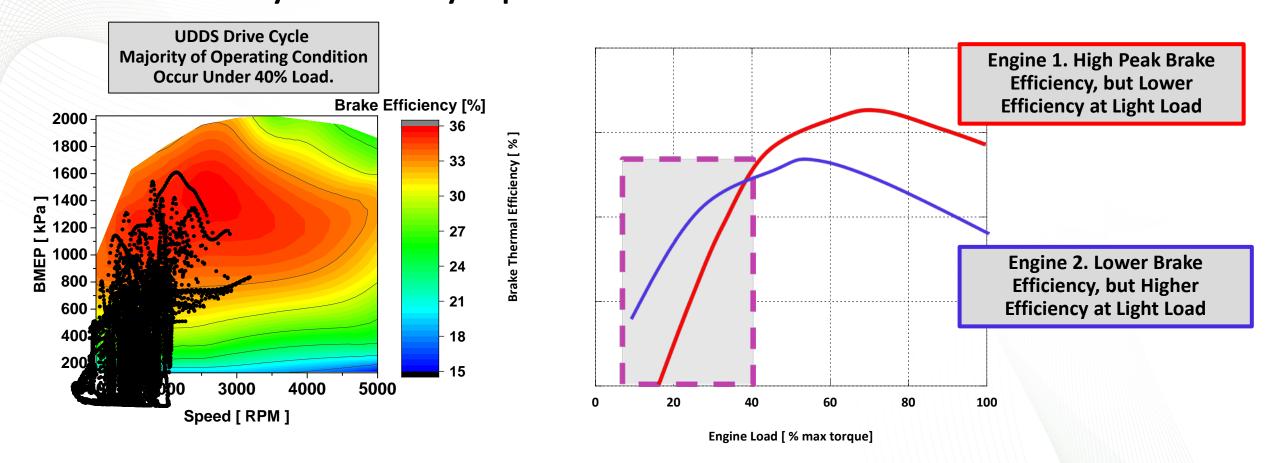


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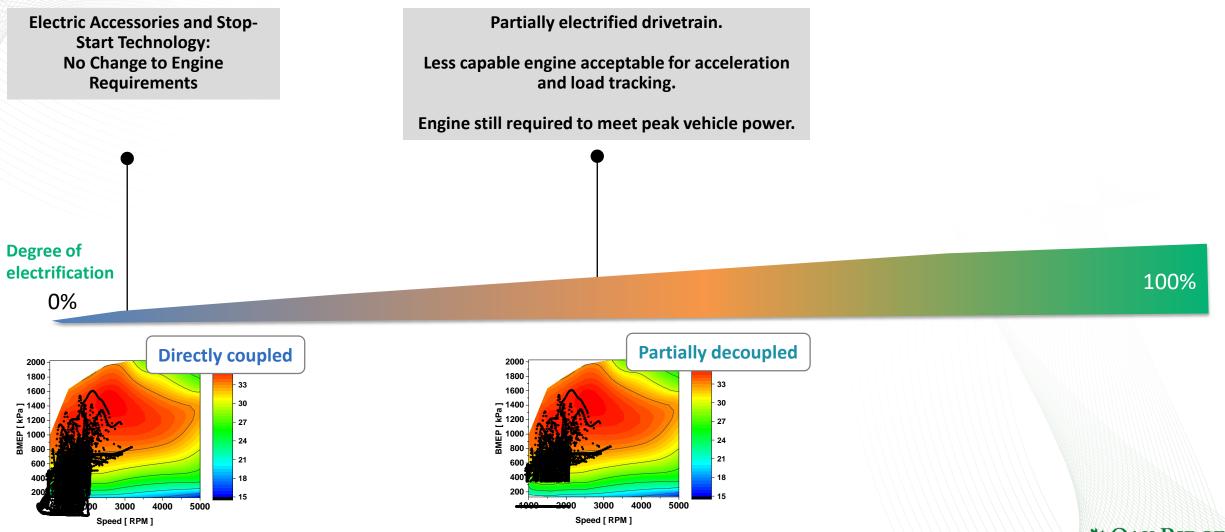
# For Conventional Vehicle or Low Degree of Hybridization, Engine is Required to Follow Load Demand of Vehicle Part-Load Efficiency is of Primary Importance



Since light duty vehicle drive cycles are primarily at light engine loads, Engine 2 will likely lead to higher fuel economy despite lower peak efficiency

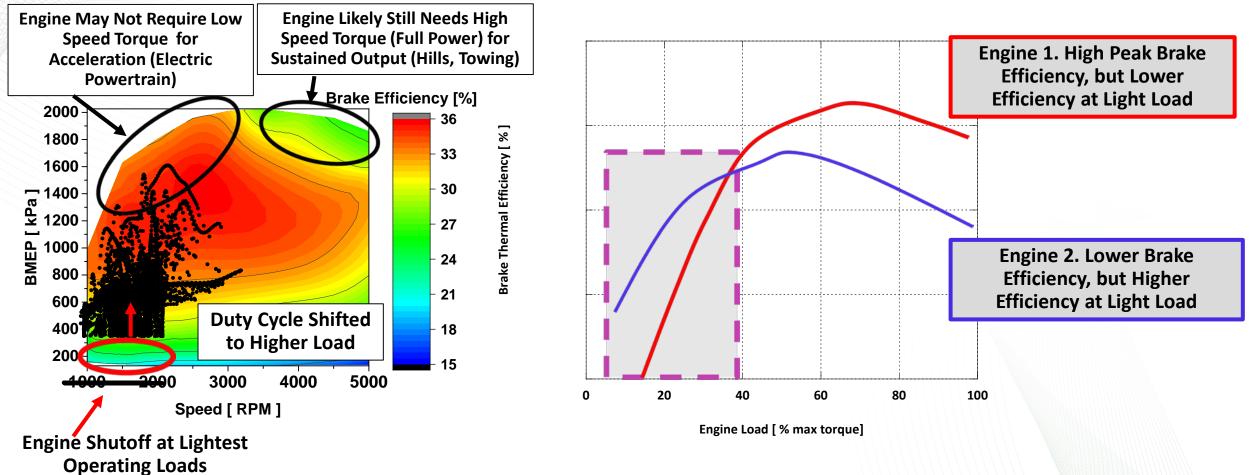


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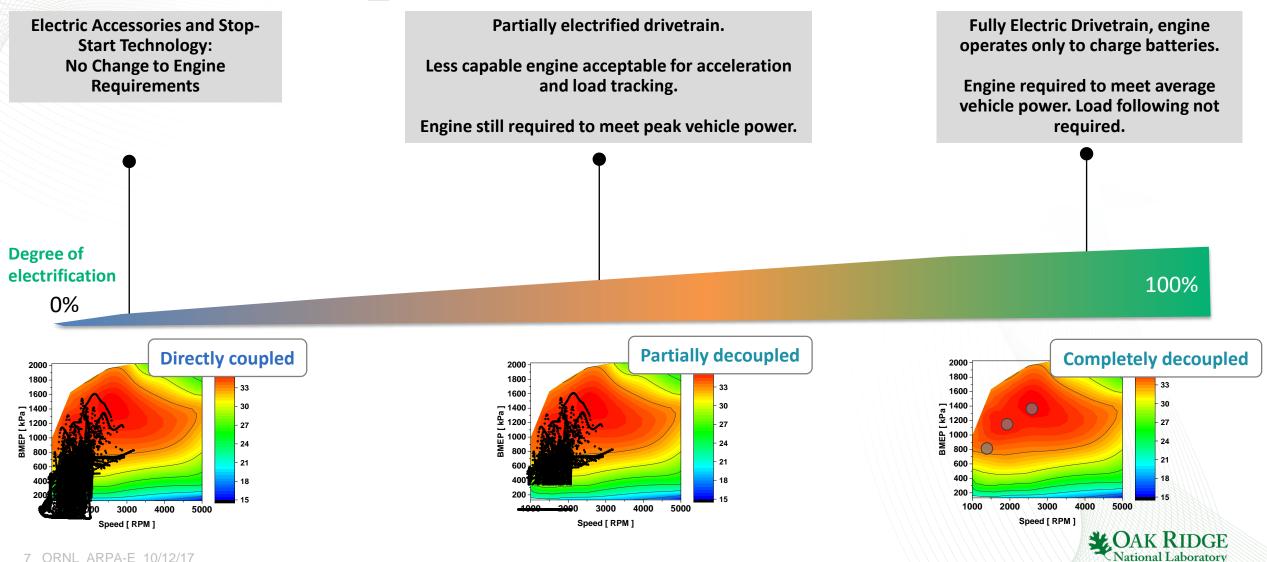
# For Higher Degree of Hybridization, Engine Shutoff at Lightest Loads and Operating Points Shifted to Higher Load Conditions Peak Engine Efficiency Increases in Importance



Shifting engine duty cycle toward higher loads reduces the importance of light load efficiency. Best engine for hybrid application is determined on a case-by-case basis.

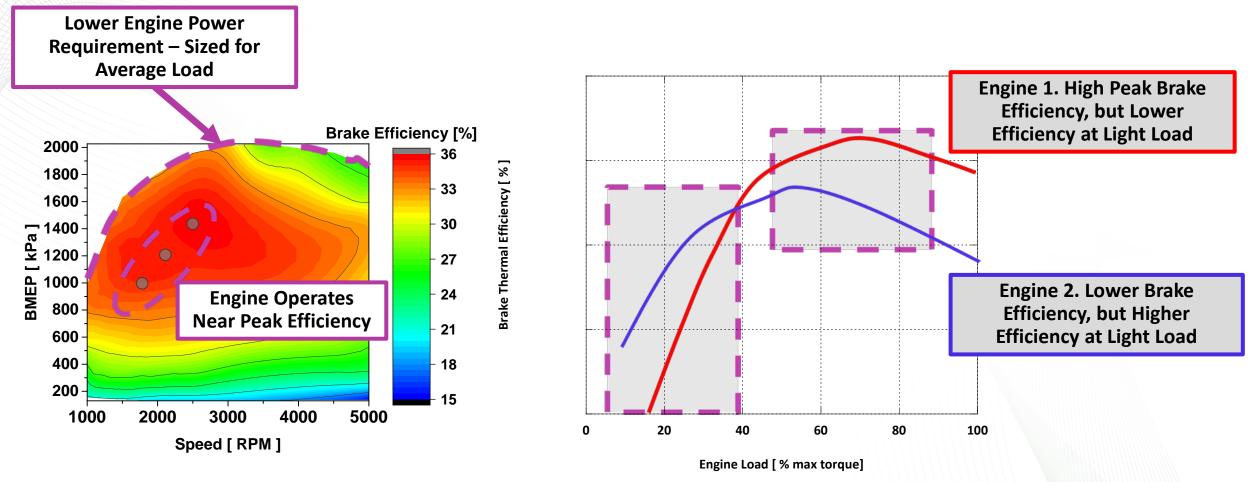


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# For Decoupled Hybrid, Engine Meets Average Power and Does Not Follow Vehicle Load Engine Operates Near Peak Efficiency while Charging Batteries, Otherwise Shut Off



Peak efficiency is of primary importance with decoupled powertrain. Engine 1 will result in superior vehicle efficiency.



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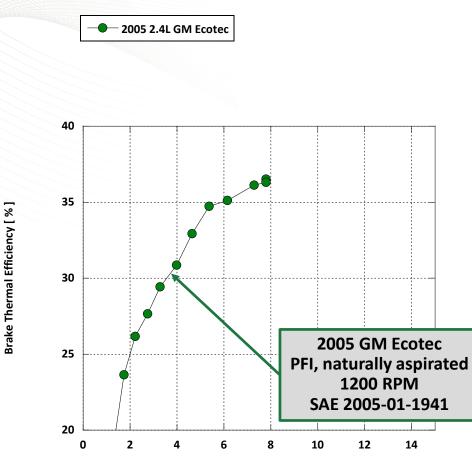
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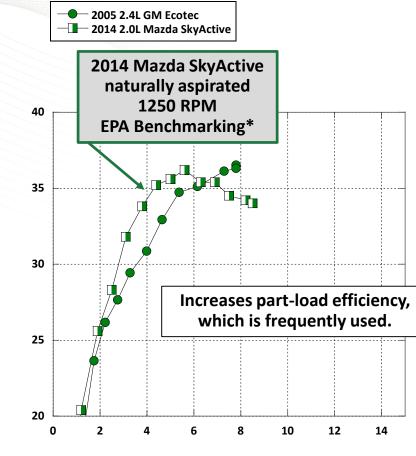


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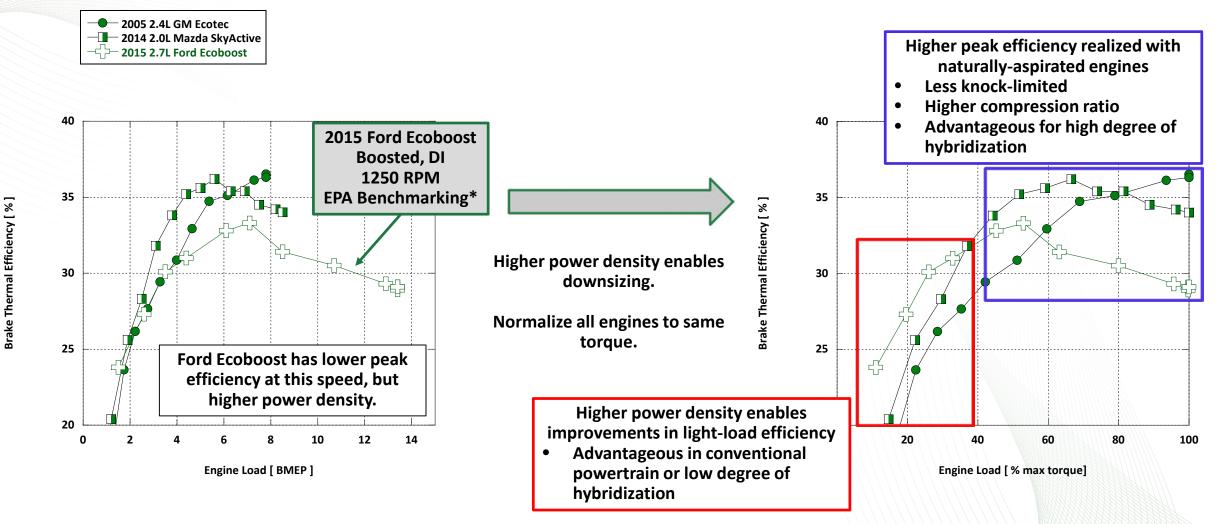
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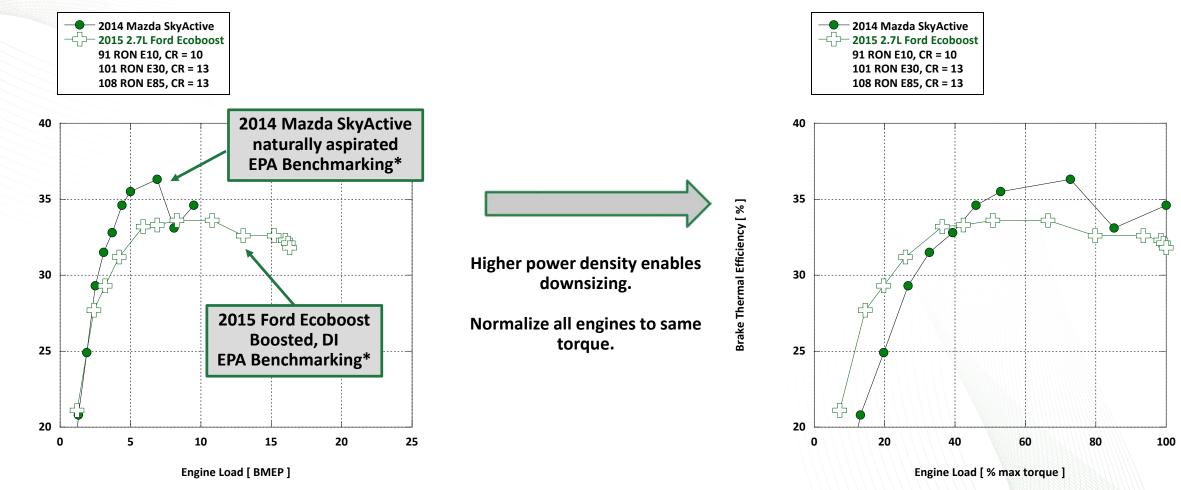
Brake Thermal Efficiency [ % ]

# Significant Light-Load Efficiency Increases Realized over Last 10-15 Years High Degree of Hybridization May Benefit More from High Peak Efficiency





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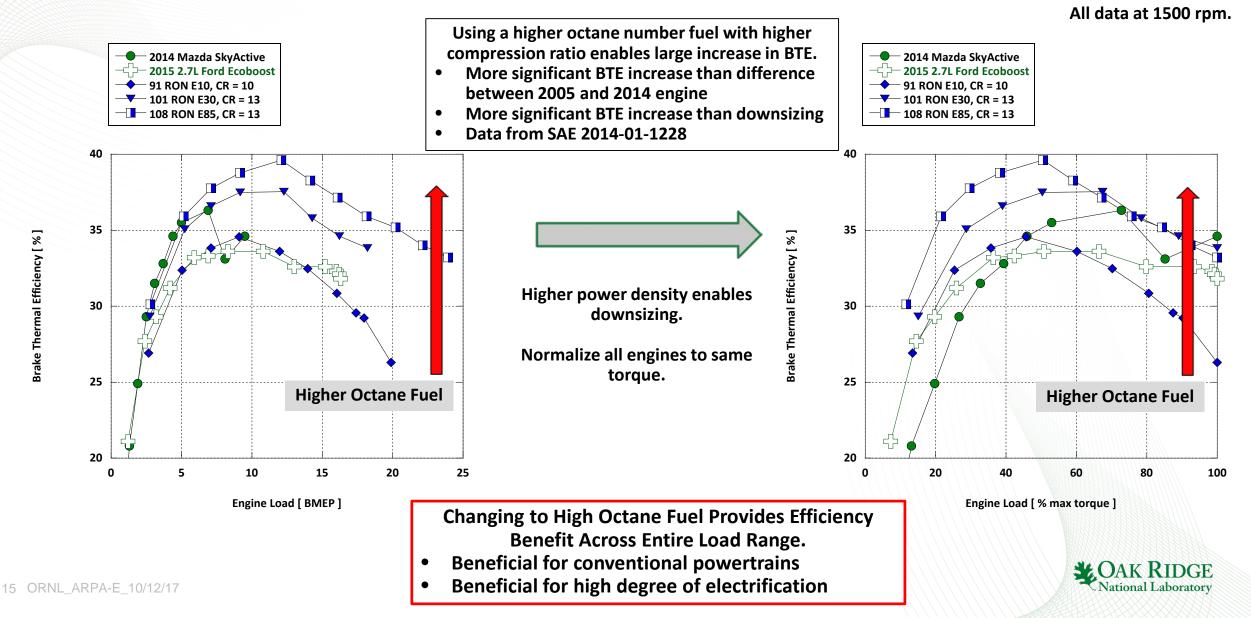


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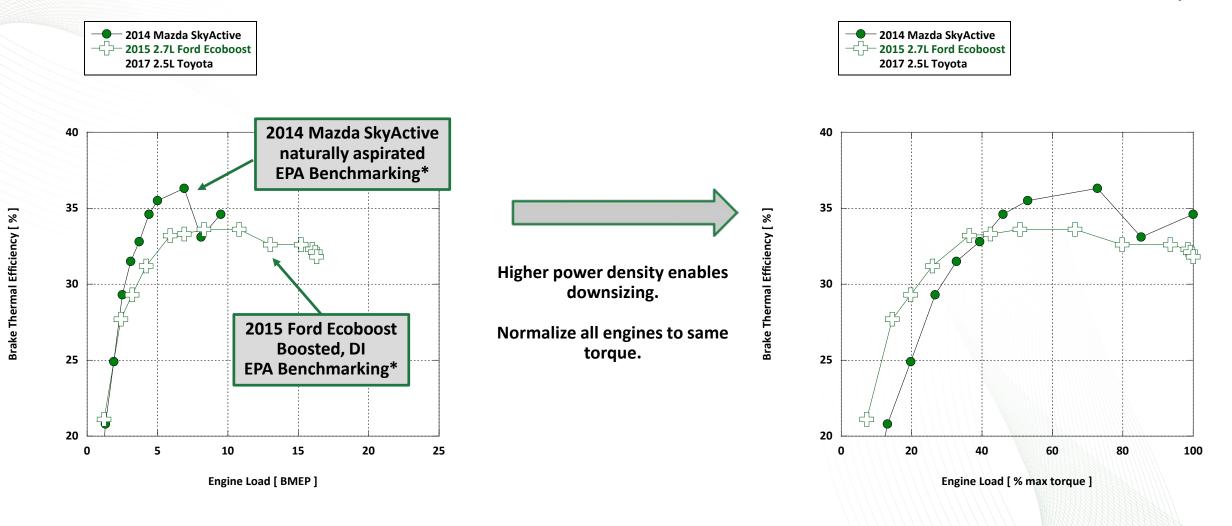
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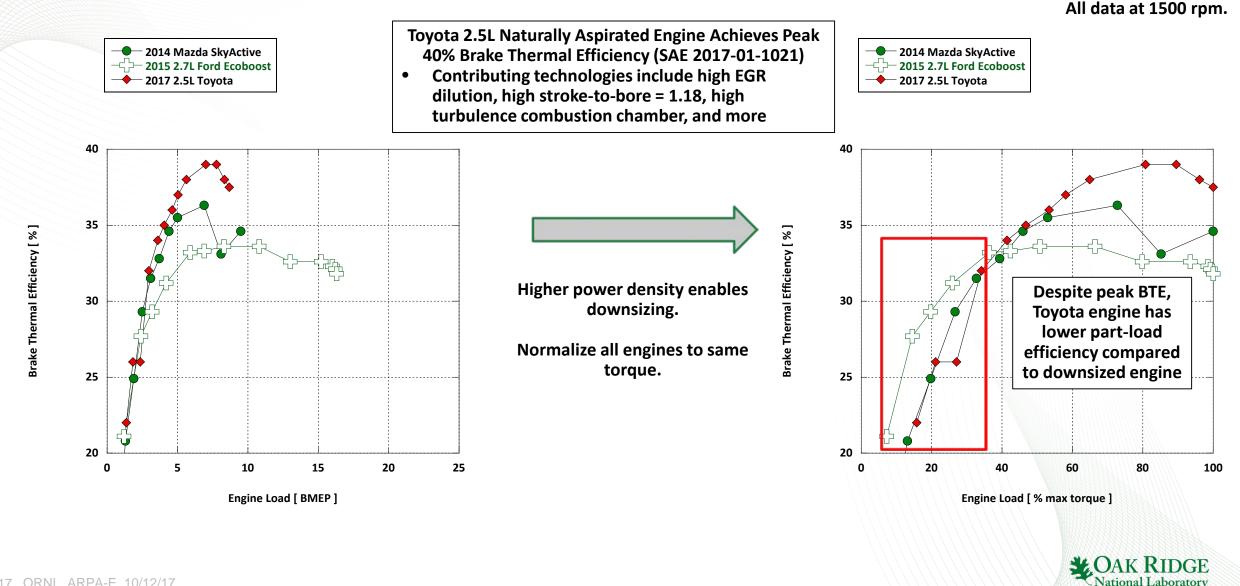
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# **Other High Efficiency Stoichiometric SI Engine Technology Under Development**

- Honda projects 45% brake thermal efficiency with a naturally aspirated engine configuration (SAE 2015-01-1263)
  - Stroke-to-bore ratio = 1.5
  - EGR > 30%
  - High mechanical compression ratio (17:1) with over-expansion cycle
  - Low power density engine
- D-EGR from SWRI uses partial-oxidation reforming to produce hydrogen and extend EGR dilution limit (SAE 2016-01-0712)
  - Demonstrated 42% brake thermal efficiency in prototype engine
  - Nominal EGR rate fixed at 25%, high compression ratio (13.5:1)
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| Benefits:  | <u>Benefits</u> :   | <u>Benefits</u> :  |  |
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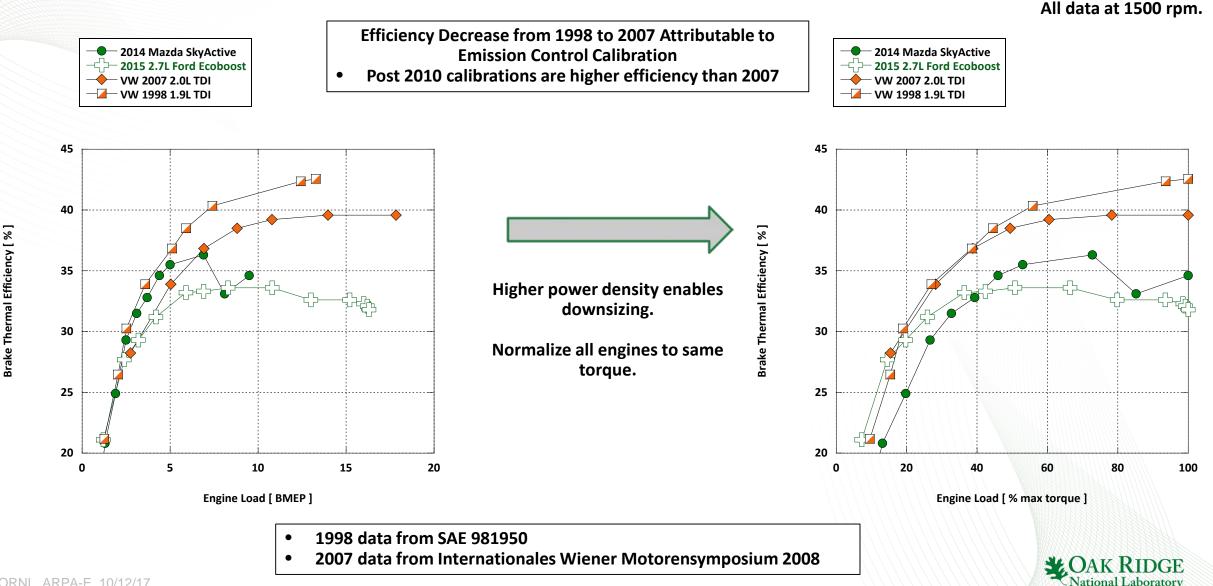
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# Significant Efficiency Benefits can be Realized with Diesel Over Entire Load Range. **Beneficial for Conventional Powertrain and High Degree of Hybridization.**



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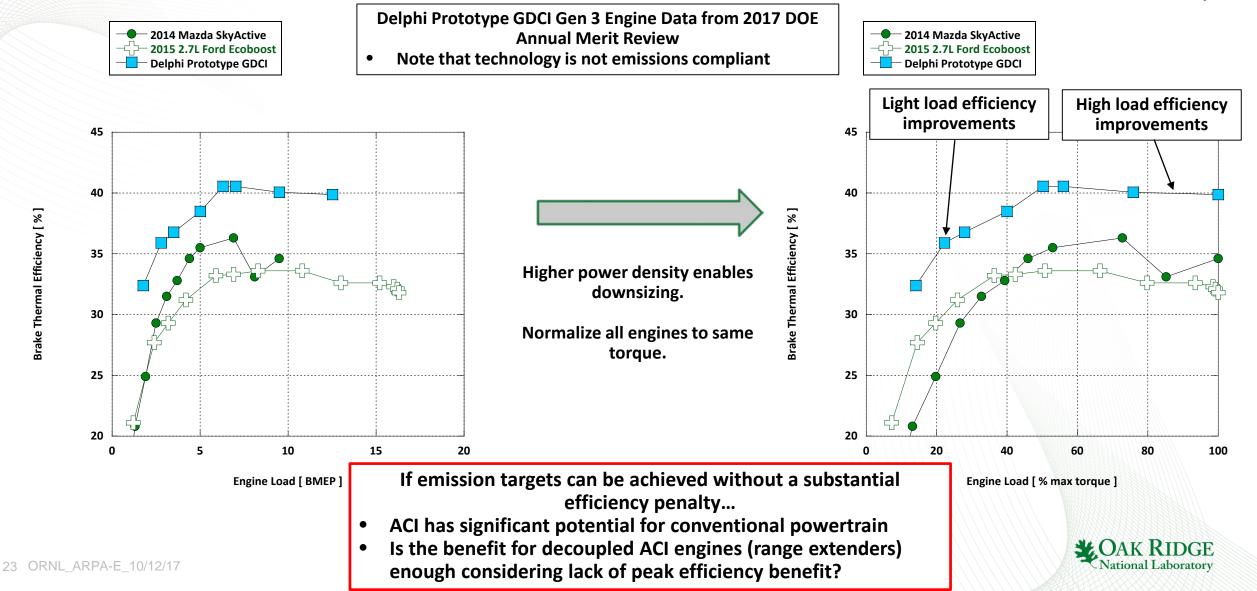
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# **ACI Strategy Offers Largest Improvement in Light Load Efficiency of All Strategies.** Peak Efficiency Comparable to Diesel and Emerging Stoichiometric SI Technology.

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# What Engine Technology will Auto Makers Incorporate Into Hybrids? It Depends.

#### **Degree of Hybridization**

- Determines what is being asked of the engine (power, torque, transients)
- Determines importance of light-load efficiency vs. peak efficiency
  - Light-load efficiency for low degree of hybridization
  - Peak efficiency for range extender application

#### Different Engine Technologies Provide Different Benefits

- ACI provides the highest efficiency at light operating loads
- Diesel currently provides the highest efficiency at higher engine loads
- Peak efficiency of emerging SI technologies is competitive (> 40% BTE)

#### **Emissions**

- Mature emission controls for stoichiometric SI
- Established emission controls for diesel, but higher level of scrutiny after "diesel-gate"
- ACI engines will require lean emission controls similar to diesel, but lower exhaust temperature represents challenge

<u>Cost</u>

- SI engines are the lowest cost option
- Diesel engines have higher cost (Higher cylinder pressure, complex, fuel injection equipment, emission controls)
- ACI engines are likely to have higher cost relative to SI (similar cylinder pressure and emission controls to diesel, additional engine sensors and controls required)



# Thank you for your attention

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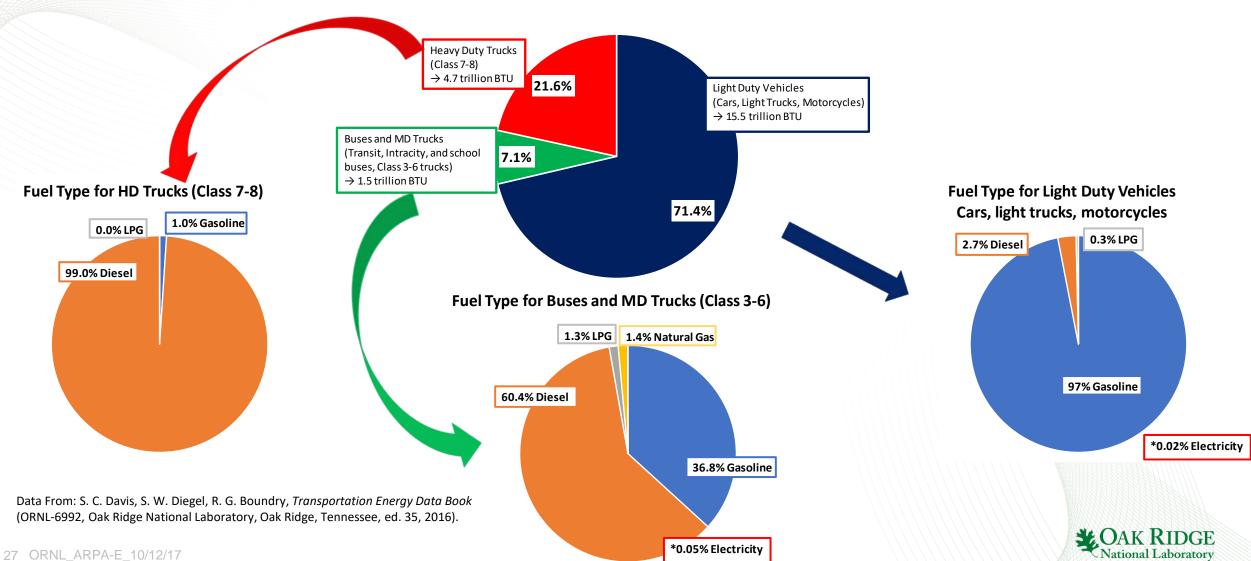


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# Light Duty Transportation Accounts for 71% of On-Highway Energy Consumption and is Dominated by Gasoline in the U.S.



2014 U.S. Transportation Energy Consumption

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