IAV's Fuel Cell Expertise

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Hydrogen Systems Development @ IAV



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20+ Years IAV Expertise in Fuel Cell Vehicle Development



Model-based Development of Fuel Cell Powertrains

Component layout

- Definition of component size and layout during
 concept phase
- Investigation of the interaction between components in the system
- Definition of control parameters

FC/Stack optimization

- Optimization fuel cell stack parameters in terms of best system/vehicle behavior
- Definition stack layout for different applications

Definition operation strategy

- Determination of the **best** hybrid operation strategy in terms of different targets (performance, consumption, aging)
- Using rule-based up to model predictive control

IAV can support fuel cell vehicle development on different levels and areas by a model-based development.



Topology optimization

- Determination of fuel cell, battery and tank size during **concept phase**
- Definition of hybrid operation strategy for different topologies
- **Benchmarking** of different powertrain topologies in terms of different target values
- Tool development

System performance

- Calculation of performance data
- Estimation operation values of the system

Durability analysis

- **Prediction** of long-life durability under different conditions
- Definition hybrid operation strategy considering degradation

PEM Fuel Cell System Model



Fuel Cell Powertrain Model

- Following powertrain components:
 - Fuel cell system model
 - Hydrogen tank model
 - HV battery (scalable)
- Different hybrid control
- Adapted to different applications (PC, CV, NRMM, Maritime, Aviation)

Plant MATLAB

· Based on cooling-, anode- and

· System components as data-

driven or physical models

· Validation of component and

cathode loop including system

depending on customers needs

system models possible at IAV

Fuel Cell System Model

components

Balance of



Fuel Cell Stack Model

OD/1D model approach for fast calculation

MATLAB

- Physical model of the cell, contains:
 - Thermodynamic and heatbalance
 - Electrochemical model
 - Mass balance model
 - Membrane model and water management

Physico-chemical Pt-Degradation Model

· Includes different mechanisms

Physico-chemical

Pt-Degradation Model

- PtO formation
- PtO dissolution
- Pt redeposition
- Pt²⁺ diffusion
- Stand-alone model
- Can be customized
- In-house validation

→ The fundamental goal of the model development is real-time capability so that it can be run on control devices.

Fuel Cell System – Software Development Process for ECU Functions



→ IAV provides engineering solutions for all software development steps, from requirement analysis to final test

Testing and Validation @ IAV and IAV's partner framework

Single Cell (2x)



Test Items

- Single Cell
- 5 to 50 cm²
- max. 120 W

Tasks

- Performance Tests
- Material Validation
- Degradation/Durability
- Poisoning Tests

Fuel Cell Short Stack (3x)



Test Items

- Short Stack
- 2 3 Cells
- max. 3 kW

Tasks

- Design Validation
- Performance Tests
- Environmental Simulation

Test Items

- Short Stack
- 10 20 Cells
- max. 15 kW

Tasks

- Operating Strategy
- Special Procedures
- Degradation/Durability

Fuel Cell Full Stack (2x)



Test Items

- Full Size Stack
- max. 400 Cells
- max. 180 kW

Tasks

- Performance Tests
- Design Validation
- Operating Strategy
- Durability Tests

Fuel Cell System (3x)



Test Items

- Complete System
- max. 180 kW
- -40 to +80°C

Tasks

- Performance Tests
- System Validation
- Integration Tests
- Function Development
- → The right test facility line-up is necessary for model based requirement definition and efficient development

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