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Influence of Compression Ratio on Pressure in the Cylinder of Internal Combustion Engine

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Abstract—Currently, variable compression ratio engines are not used, presumably due to the complexity of the design. Currently, various engines are being developed that differ in design, kinematics, load control and compression ratio changes. The article presents the results of calculating the efficiency and fuel consumption for a crankshaft with a rotation speed of 2000 and 4000 rpm with a compression ratio of 8.6 and a rotation speed of 4000 rpm with a compression ratio of 13 and provides combustion characteristics $m = 3$ and 1. It is shown that these characteristics at higher speeds they approach the indicators at lower speeds with an increase in the compression ratio. The engine parameters were calculated for various modes based on Wiebe theory. Based on the calculations, the efficiency and fuel consumption are determined for the corresponding modes and the nature of the engine operation. It has been found that with an increase in the crankshaft rotation speed, the cycle efficiency will decrease by almost half and fuel consumption will increase accordingly; with an increase in the compression ratio, the efficiency is restored and fuel consumption decreases accordingly.

Keywords: twin-shaft engines, compression ratio, fuel consumption, combustion nature, crankshaft

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INTRODUCTION

Thanks to flexible control of the compression ratio, it is possible to influence the parameters of physical processes in the engine that affect fuel consumption and the emission of toxic components: pressure and temperature at the end of the compression stroke; maximum combustion pressure and temperature; degree of expansion and indicator efficiency; combustion chamber volume; exhaust gas temperature.

Despite the fact that adjusting the compression ratio is a difficult task, known two-shaft designs can be used without significant complications [1–4]. Work [5] showed a decrease in engine efficiency with increasing crankshaft rotation speed, which can be corrected by compensating the compression ratio. The article [6] pointed out the prospects of using twin-shaft engines [1–5] with an adjustable compression ratio. Here, according to the data in article [6], the results of calculating the efficiency and fuel consumption for speeds of 2000 and 4000 rpm with a compression ratio of 8.6 and a speed of 4000 rpm with a compression ratio of 13 and combustion characteristics $m = 3$ and 1 are presented. The indicated characteristics at higher speeds are shown to approach characteristics at lower speeds with increasing compression ratio. Previously [5] engine parameters were calculated under various modes based on Wiebe theory. Using the data from the above calculations, the efficiency and fuel consumption are determined for the corresponding modes and nature of engine operation.

MATHEMATICAL MODEL

The calculation is made under the following conditions:

Specific volume of working fluid

$$v = \frac{v_a}{\varepsilon} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\varepsilon - 1}{2} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda} \right) \right] - \left(\cos \alpha + \frac{1}{\lambda} \sqrt{1 - \lambda^2 \sin^2 \alpha} \right) \right\},$$

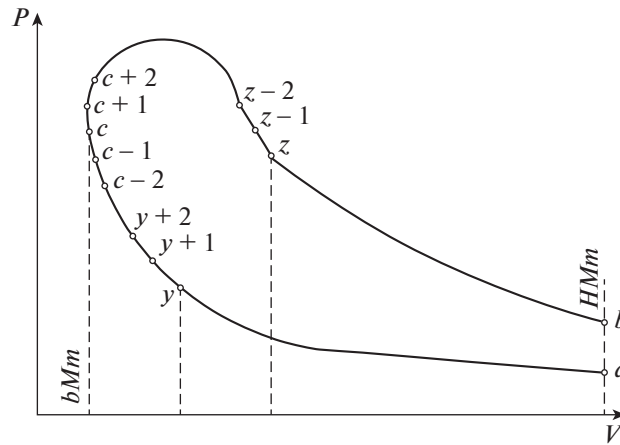


Fig. 1. Scheme for determining cycle operation: *bMm*—top dead center of the engine piston position; *HMm* is the bottom dead center of the engine piston position.

where λ is the ratio of the crank radius.

Proportion of fuel burned at the site $i - (i - 1)$

$$\Delta x_n = e^{-6.908(\Delta\phi_n/\phi_z)^{m+1}} - e^{-6.908(\Delta\phi_{n-1}/\Delta\phi_z)^{m+1}}.$$

Pressure of the working fluid in the cylinder during the combustion process

$$P_n = \frac{0.0854q_c\Delta x_n + P_{n-1}(kv_{n-1} - v_n)}{kv_n - v_{n-1}},$$

where k is the heat capacity factor; q_z is the total heat of combustion used.

Ignition timing is 24° , compression ratios are 8.6 and 13, rotation speed is 2000 and 4000 rpm, combustion character indicators $m = 1$ and 3. Flame front inclination angle $\phi_r = 46^\circ$ and 92° .

Table 1 shows the data of this calculation. Based on these data, the corresponding efficiency factors and fuel consumption were determined.

NUMERICAL MODEL

Figure 1 shows a diagram for determining the operation of the cycle. Based on the points on the graph, the state of the cycle is determined, from which the efficiency is calculated.

The cycle work is composed of the sum of the combustion work during compression

$$l_{yc} = \int_y^c p_y v_y dv_y \quad \text{or} \quad \sum \Delta p_y \Delta v_y. \tag{1}$$

The cycle work is composed of the sum of the combustion work during expansion

$$l_{cz} = \int_c^z p_c v_c dv_c \quad \text{or} \quad \sum \Delta p_c \Delta v_c. \tag{2}$$

The work of the cycle is made up of the sum of the work of pure compression

$$l_{ay} = \frac{1}{n_1 - 1} (p_y v_y - p_a v_a), \quad n_1 = 1.35. \tag{3}$$

The work of the cycle is composed of the sum of the work of pure expansion

$$l_{zb} = \frac{1}{n_2 - 1} (p_z v_z - p_b v_b), \quad n_2 = 1.28, \tag{4}$$

Table 1. Pressure distribution depending on the specific volume for combustion types $m = 1$ and 3 at 2000 and 4000 rpm crankshaft for compression ratios $\varepsilon = 8.6$, $\varepsilon = 13$, φ_z is the duration of combustion

α_0	φ_0	$\varepsilon = 8.6; P, \text{kg/cm}^2$					$\varepsilon = 13$		
		$v, \text{m}^3/\text{kg}$	$m = 3$		$m = 1$		$v, \text{m}^3/\text{kg}$	$p, \text{kg/cm}^2$	
			2000 rpm $\varphi_z = 46^\circ$	4000 rpm $\varphi_z = 92^\circ$	2000 rpm $\varphi_z = 46^\circ$	4000 rpm $\varphi_z = 92^\circ$		2000 rpm	4000 rpm
-24	0	0.2065	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	0.1607	12.70	12.70
-22	2	0.1967	8.40	8.57	8.40	8.40	0.1500	10.07	12.56
-20	4	0.1879	7.80	8.02	8.43	8.01	0.1411	9.14	10.53
-18	6	0.1794	7.36	7.58	9.2	7.92	0.1324	8.38	12.10
-16	8	0.1721	7.05	7.17	12.23	8.24	0.1248	7.70	12.06
-14	10	0.1655	6.78	6.88	15.54	8.88	0.1179	7.10	13.89
-12	12	0.1598	6.91	6.04	19.40	7.58	0.1125	6.77	16.57
-10	14	0.1551	7.52	6.46	26.67	11.18	0.1070	6.39	19.80
-8	16	0.1511	8.68	6.40	28.17	10.80	0.1028	6.50	23.23
-6	18	0.1480	10.65	6.19	32.59	12.77	0.0996	6.89	27.03
-4	20	0.1458	14.43	6.93	36.10	14.90	0.0973	7.79	31.47
-2	22	0.1445	17.32	6.90	38.38	17.39	0.0958	9.38	35.90
0	24	0.1440	29.18	7.44	42.21	20.64	0.0954	11.60	40.28
2	26	0.1445	27.90	8.90	44.77	29.57	0.0958	14.75	45.57
4	28	0.1458	33.98	8.83	47.05	36.30	0.0973	8.12	53.84
6	30	0.1480	39.74	9.66	48.90	28.78	0.0996	22.00	52.73
8	32	0.1511	44.63	10.50	50.20	31.01	0.1028	25.74	55.07
10	34	0.1511	48.35	12.54	50.40	32.69	0.1070	29.28	56.60
12	36	0.1598	50.00	12.57	50.00	33.92	0.1125	33.00	56.62
14	38	0.1654	51.00	13.60	48.26	34.76	0.1179	36.43	54.87
16	40	0.1721	50.00	14.64	48.01	34.76	0.1248	39.34	53.20
18	42	0.1794	48.37	15.78	46.28	34.72	0.1324	41.85	51.12
20	44	0.1879	46.25	16.71	44.27	34.40	0.1411	42.97	48.08
22	46	0.1867	45.53	17.86	41.93	33.55	0.1500	42.70	44.77
24	48	0.2065	44.00	18.50	39.66	32.69	0.1608	40.88	42.96
26	50	0.2171	—	20.09	—	31.50	0.1718	39.00	38.49
28	52	0.2284	—	20.05	—	29.92	0.1836	37.33	35.36
30	54	0.2404	—	20.06	—	28.51	0.1962	35.23	32.41
32	56	0.2531	—	20.37	—	27.03	0.2095	33.59	29.38
34	58	0.2667	—	20.29	—	25.65	0.2237	31.95	26.88
36	60	0.2804	—	17.79	—	24.26	0.2378	29.11	24.59
38	62	0.2352	—	16.92	—	22.71	0.2535	26.85	22.61
40	64	0.3101	—	16.10	—	21.64	0.2690	24.66	20.53
42	66	0.3273	—	15.86	—	20.42	0.2856	—	—
44	68	0.3422	—	15.30	—	17.95	0.3027	—	—
46	70	0.3598	—	14.39	—	16.89	—	—	—
48	72	0.3760	—	13.84	—	16.15	—	—	—
50	74	0.3957	—	12.69	—	15.24	—	—	—
52	76	0.4121	—	12.60	—	13.92	—	—	—
54	78	0.4307	—	12.51	—	13.14	—	—	—

Table 1. (Contd.)

α_0	φ_0	$\varepsilon = 8.6; P, \text{ kg/cm}^2$					$\varepsilon = 13$		
		$\nu, \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$	$m = 3$		$m = 1$		$\nu, \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$	$p, \text{ kg/cm}^2$	
			2000 rpm $\varphi_z = 46^\circ$	4000 rpm $\varphi_z = 92^\circ$	2000 rpm $\varphi_z = 46^\circ$	4000 rpm $\varphi_z = 92^\circ$		2000 rpm	4000 rpm
56	80	0.4449	—	12.42	—	12.75	—	—	—
58	82	0.4685	—	12.04	—	12.19	—	—	—
60	84	0.4876	—	11.61	—	11.50	—	—	—
62	86	0.5087	—	11.32	—	10.90	—	—	—
64	88	0.5267	—	10.88	—	10.33	—	—	—
66	90	0.5482	—	10.60	—	9.82	—	—	—
68	92	0.5641	—	9.91	—	9.77	—	—	—

where $p_b = \left(\frac{v_z}{v_b}\right)^{n_2}$, $p_z = \left(\frac{v_z}{v_a}\right)^{n_2} p_z$.

Complete cycle work

$$l = l_{yc} + l_{cz} + l_{ay} + l_{zb}. \tag{5}$$

Efficiency determined by the formula

$$\eta_i = \frac{l(1 + \gamma)(1 + \alpha L'_0)}{427Hu}, \tag{6}$$

where H is the lower calorific value of the fuel ($H = 10500 \text{ kcal/kg}$); $(1 + \gamma)$ is the coefficient of residual gases, $(1 + \gamma) = 1.088$; α is the excess air coefficient ($\alpha = 0.85$); L'_0 is the theoretically required amount of air for complete combustion of 1 kg of fuel ($L'_0 = 14.8 \text{ kg g}$).

Indicated specific fuel consumption $g = \frac{632}{\eta_i Hu}$.

RESULTS

I. Consider the case $\varepsilon = 8.6; m = 3; \varphi_r = 46^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{yc} = -0.515 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m/kg}$;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 2.859 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m/kg}$;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.476 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m/kg}$;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 10.75 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m/kg}$,

as a result, $l_i = 10.63 \times 10^4 \text{ kg m/kg}$.

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = \frac{10.63 \times 10^4 \times 1.088 (1 + 0.85 \times 14.8)}{427 \times 10500} = 0.35.$$

Indicated specific fuel consumption

$$g = \frac{632}{\eta_i H_0} = \frac{632}{0.35 \times 10500} = 172 \text{ g/(h.p h)},$$

where g/(h.p h) —grams per horsepower hour.

II. In case of $\varepsilon = 8.6$; $m = 1$; $\varphi_r = 46^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{ye} = -0.958 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 2.7979 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.476 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 10.134$ kg m/kg,

as a result, $l_i = 9.498 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

$$l_i = 9.4979.$$

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = \frac{9.4979 \times 10^4 \times 1.088(1 + 0.85 \times 14.8)}{427 \times 10500} = 0.31.$$

Indicated specific fuel consumption

$$g = \frac{632}{\eta H_0} = \frac{632}{0.31 \times 10500} = 194 \text{ g/(h.p h)}.$$

III. In case of case $\varepsilon = 8.6$; $m = 3$; $\varphi_r = 92^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{ye} = -0.4636 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 3.4686 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.4757 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg ;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 4.1108 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg,

as a result, $l_i = 4.632 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg.

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = 0.1526;$$

$$g = \frac{632}{0.15 \times 10500} = 0.401 \text{ g/(h.p h)}.$$

IV. In case of $\varepsilon = 8.6$; $m = 1$; $\varphi_r = 92^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{ye} = -1.354 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 6.317 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.476 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 3.926 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg,

as a result, $l_i = 6.413 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg.

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = 0.2116;$$

$$g = \frac{632}{0.21 \times 10500} = 286 \text{ g/(h.p h)}.$$

V. In case of $\varepsilon = 13$; $m = 3$; $\varphi_r = 64^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{ye} = 0.44548 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 5.926 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.998 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 11.28 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg,

as a result, $l_i = 13.8 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg.

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = 0.455;$$

$$g = \frac{632}{0.455 \times 10\,500} = 132 \text{ g/(h.p h)},$$

VI. In case of $\varepsilon = 13$; $m = 1$; $\varphi_r = 64^\circ$

according to formula (1) $l_{ye} = 0.9949 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (2) $l_{cz} = 6.5014 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (3) $l_{ay} = -2.998 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg;

according to formula (4) $l_{zb} = 9.39 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg,

as a result, $l_i = 13.78 \times 10^4$ kg m/kg.

According to formula (6)

$$\eta = 0.3923;$$

$$g = \frac{632}{0.39 \times 10\,500} = 154 \text{ g/(h.p h)}.$$

CONCLUSIONS

With an increase in crankshaft rotation speed from 2000 to 4000 rpm, the efficiency of the cycle will decrease by almost half and fuel consumption will increase accordingly. By increasing the compression ratio from 8.6 to 13 at a speed of 4000 rpm, the efficiency is restored and fuel consumption decreases accordingly.

As the crankshaft rotation speed increases, the pressure in the cylinder drops and the efficiency decreases. In order to restore pressure and, accordingly, efficiency, compression ratio control can be applied, which must be provided for in the engine design.

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