

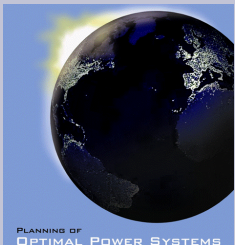
FUNDAMENTALS OF POWER PLANTS

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Engine cycles

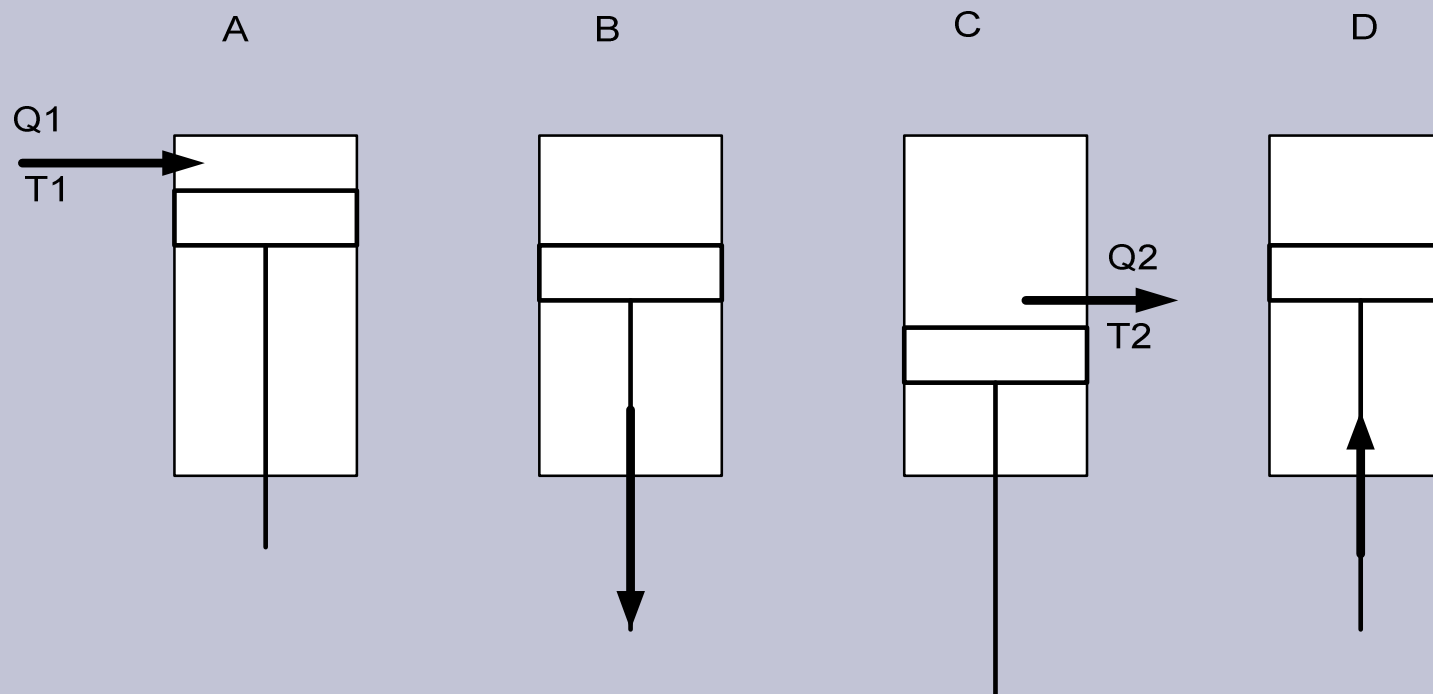
- Carnot Cycle
- Otto Cycle
- Diesel Cycle
- Brayton Cycle
- Rankine Cycle
- Combined Cycles



Carnot Engine

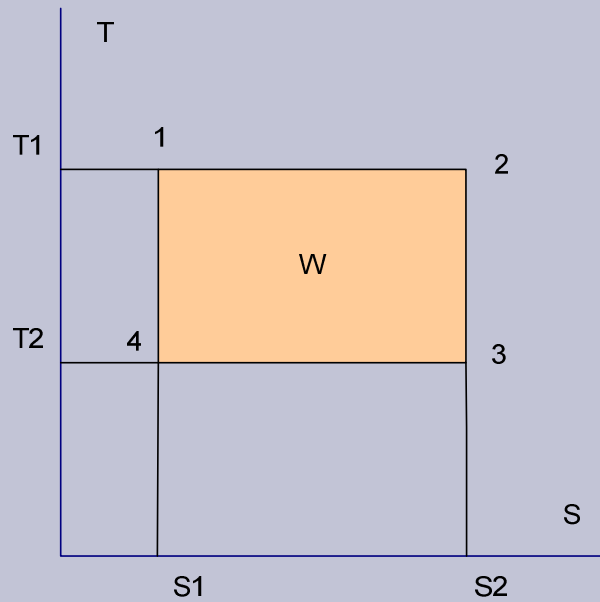


CARNOT - ENGINE

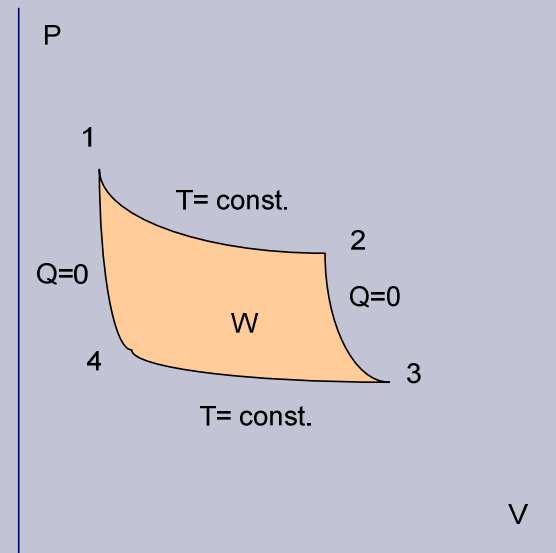




Carnot Cycle



T-S Diagram



P-V Diagram



Carnot Cycle , continued

- Ideal gas cycle, discovered by French engineer Sadi Carnot in 1824
- Heat is added at constant temperature T_1
- Heat is discharged at constant temperature T_2



Carnot Cycle , continued

Efficiency

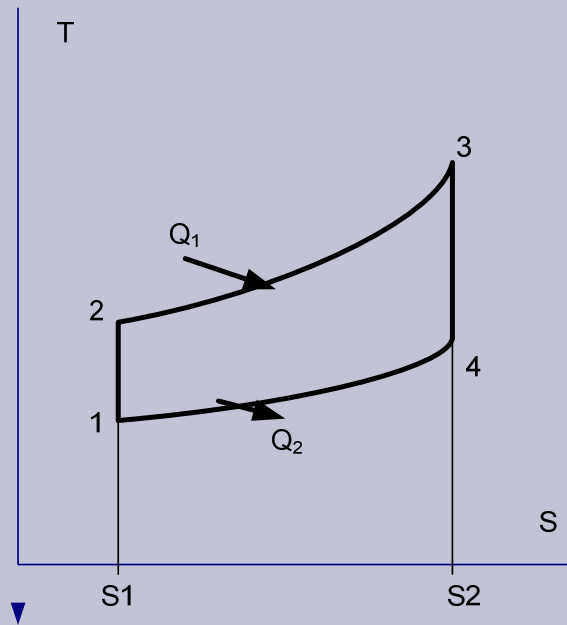
$$\eta = 1 - T_2/T_1$$

The work done is area W in diagram

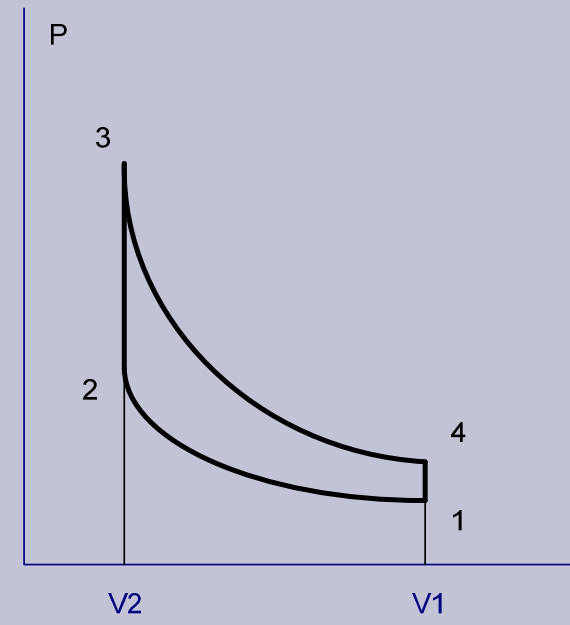
Higher the T_1 and lower T_2 more work can be done by the Carnot engine



Otto Cycle



T-S Diagram



P-V Diagram



Otto Cycle, continued

- Nicolaus Otto discovered spark ignition (SI) four stroke gas engine 1876
- Heat is added in constant volume V_1 at top dead center (TDC) by igniting gas air mixture by spark
- Heat is discharged at constant volume V_2 at bottom dead center (BDC)



Otto Cycle, continued

Efficiency of Otto Engine

$$\eta = 1 - 1/r^{k-1}$$

where

r = compression ratio = V_2/V_1

k = gas constant

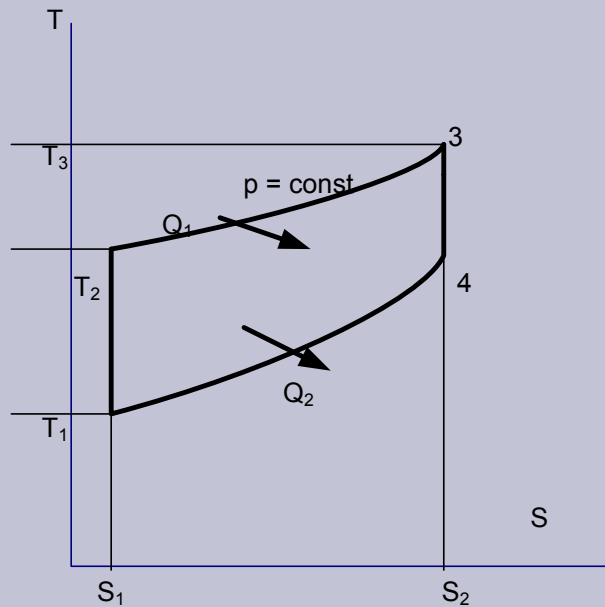


Otto Cycle, continued

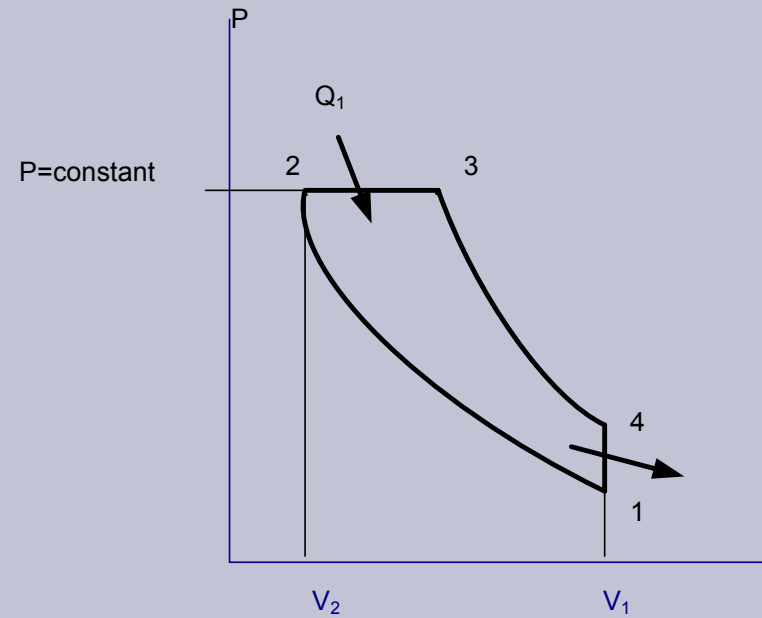
- Spark ignition (SI) engines are most built engines in the world
- About 40 million engines/a for cars (200 000 MW)
- About 4000 engines/a for power plants (4000 MW/a)



Diesel Cycle



T-S Diagram

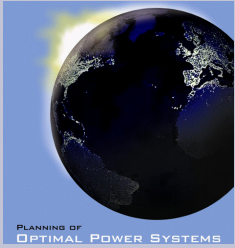


P-V Diagram



Diesel Cycle, continued

- Rudolf Diesel outlined Diesel engine in 1892 in his patent
- Heat is added at constant pressure and discharged at constant volume
- Ignition happens by self ignition by injecting fuel at top dead center
- Some call Diesel engines as compression ignition (CI) engines



Diesel Cycle, continued

Efficiency

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{1}{r^{k-1}} \frac{(r_c^k - 1)}{k(r_c - 1)}$$

where

$$r = \text{compression ratio} = V_2/V_1$$

$$r_c = \text{cut off ratio} = V_3/V_2$$

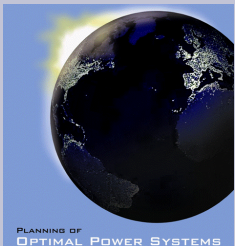
note

If r is the same, Diesel cycle has lower efficiency than Otto cycle

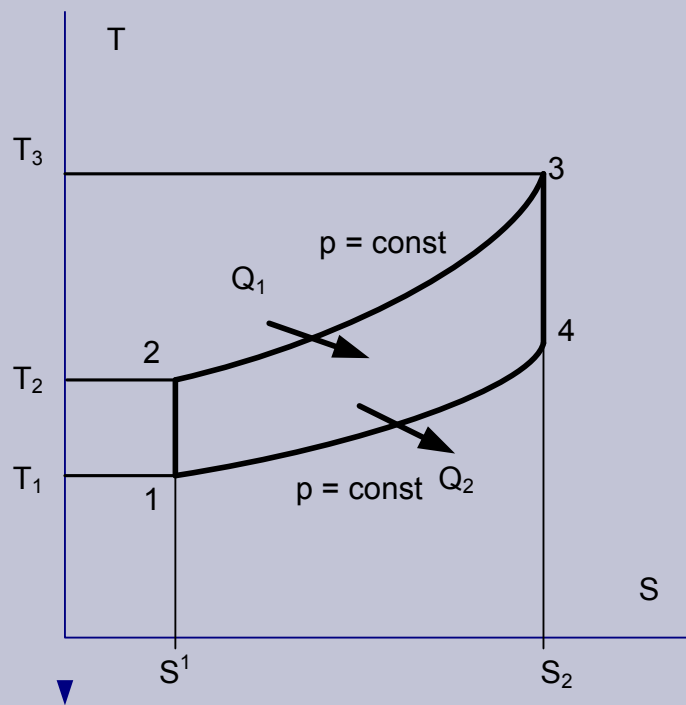


Diesel Cycle, continued

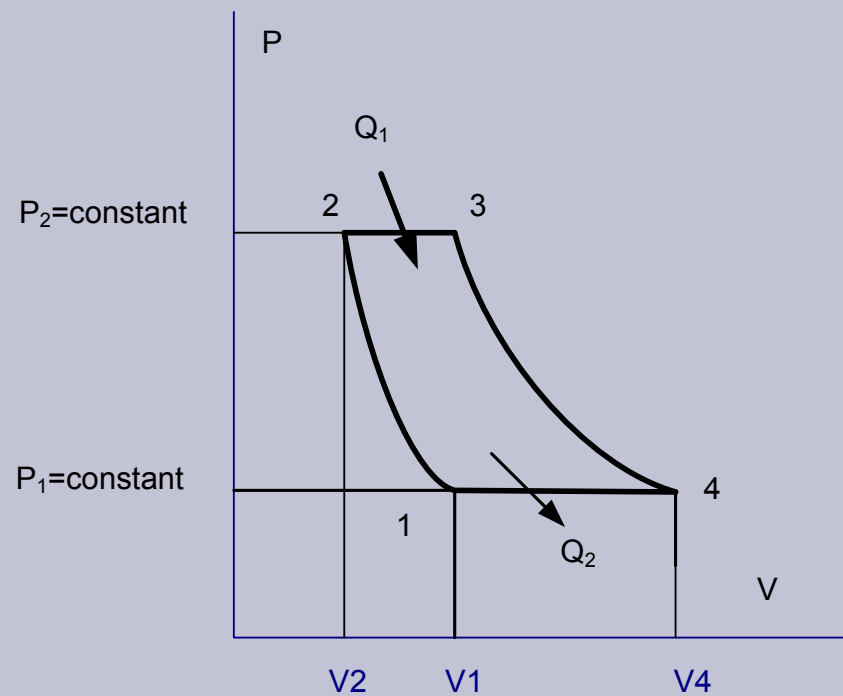
- Diesel engines are most built energy conversion machines after SI-engines
- Car industry builds about 20 million/a diesel cars and trucks (200000 MW/a)
- > 90 % market share in large ships
- Power plant orders are 30 000 MW/a



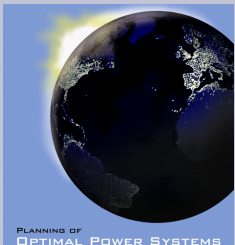
Brayton Cycle



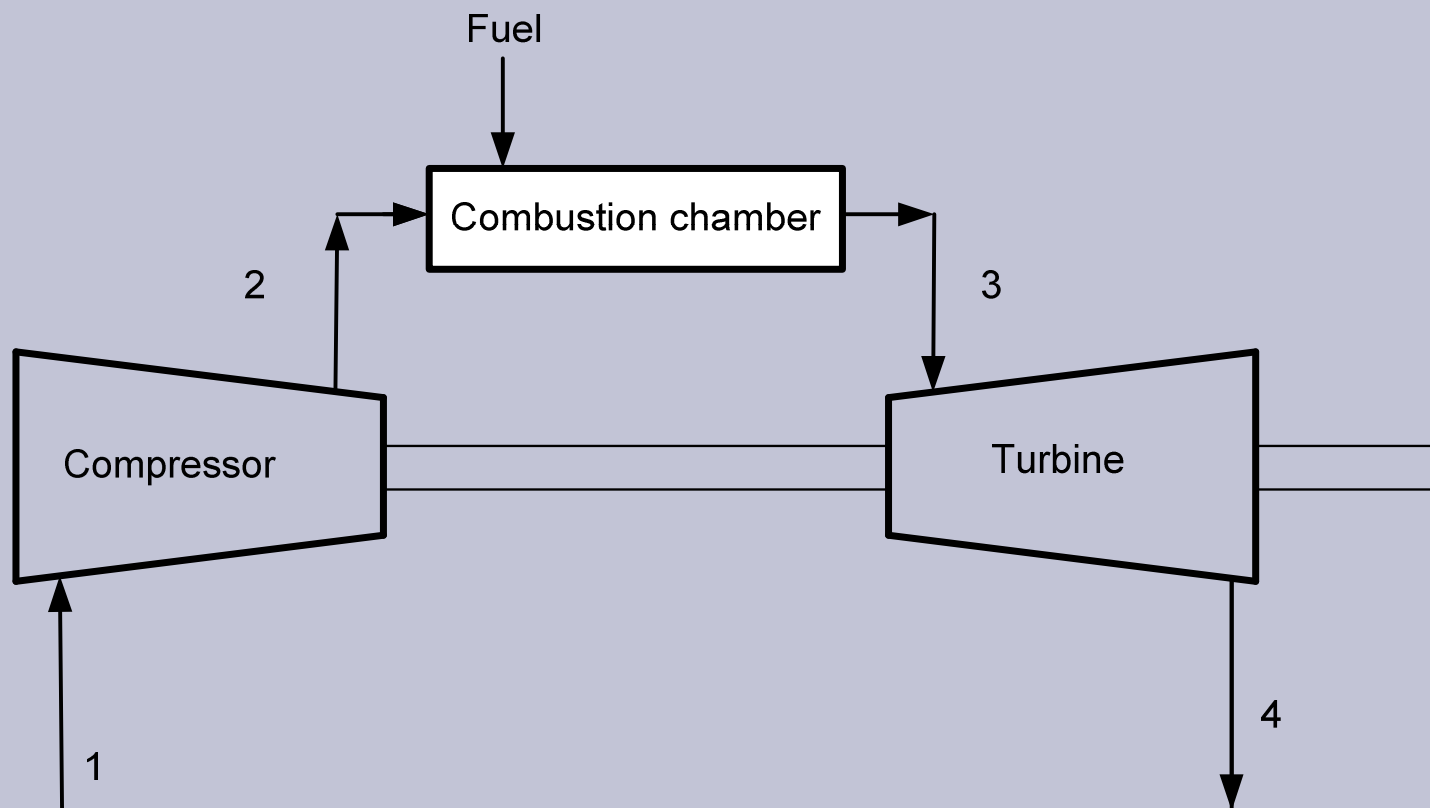
T-S Diagram



P-V Diagram



Brayton Cycle





Brayton Cycle

- Developed by Georg Brayton (1832 - 1890)
- Heat is added and discharged at constant pressure
- Applied in Gas Turbines (GT) (Combustion Turbines in US)



Brayton Cycle, continued

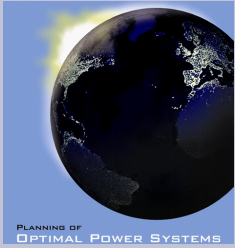
Efficiency

$$\eta = 1 - 1/r_p^{(k-1)/k}$$

where

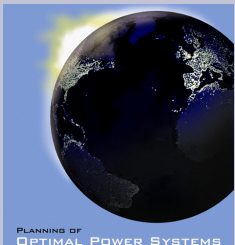
r_p = compressor pressure ratio = p_2/p_1

k = gas constant

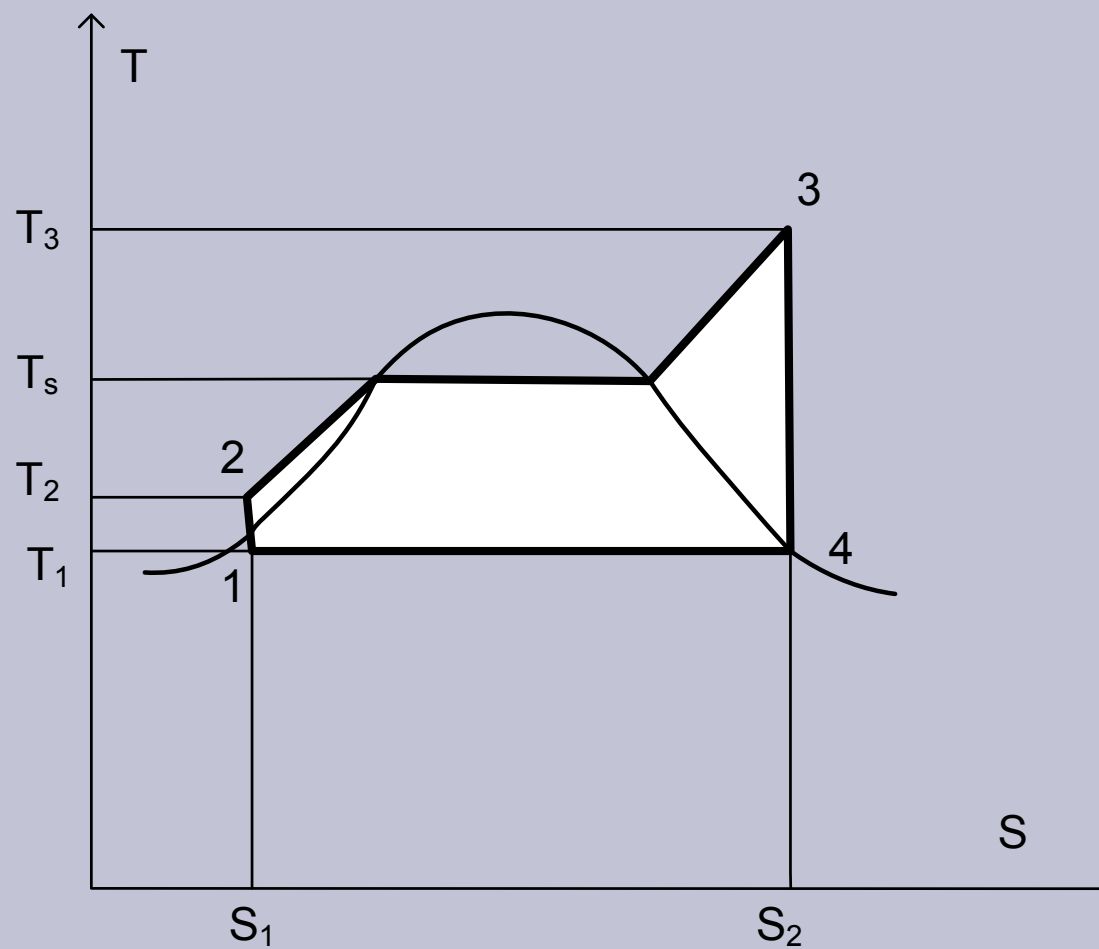


Brayton cycle, continued

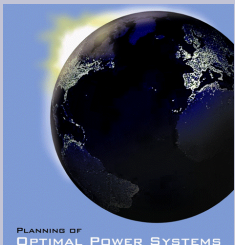
- Gas turbines are number three power conversion machines after SI- and CI-engines
- > 90 % market share in large airplanes
- Power plant orders are 40 000 MW/a



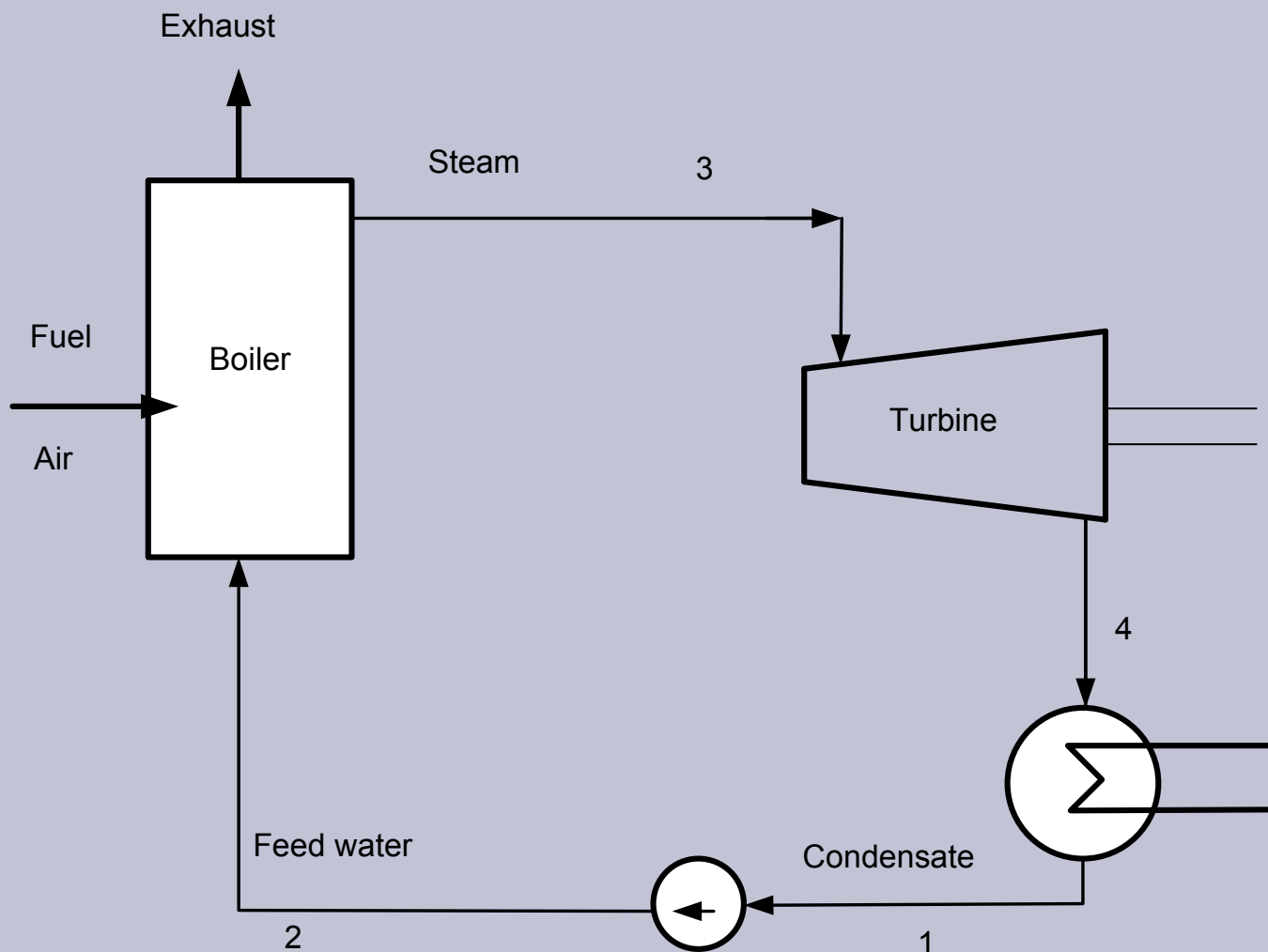
Rankine Cycle



T-S Diagram



Rankine Cycle, continued





Rankine Cycle, continued

- Scottish engineer William Rankine (1820-1872) developed a theory of steam cycles
- Heat is added in a water boiler, where the water becomes steam
- Steam is fed to a steam turbine, which generates mechanical energy
- After turbine the steam becomes water again in a condenser



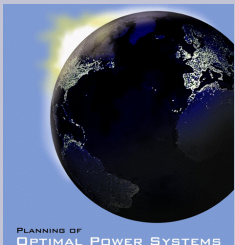
Rankine cycle, continued

- The efficiency varies from 20 % in small subcritical steam turbines to 45 % in large double reheat supercritical steam turbines
- The rankine cycle is ideal for solid fuel (coal, wood) power plants



Rankine cycle, continued

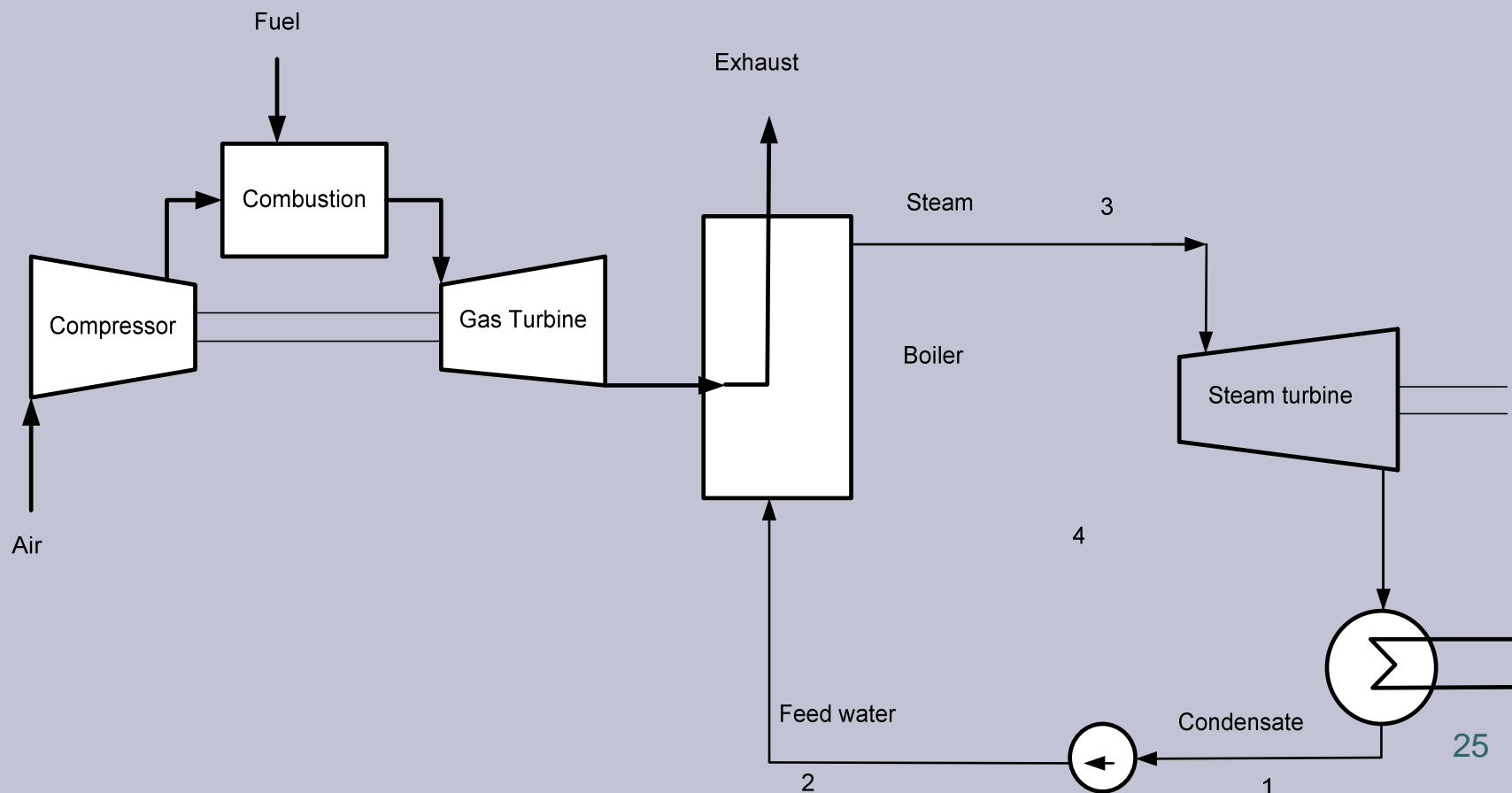
- Steam turbines are most sold machines for power plants as measured in output (100 000 MW/a)
- They are used in coal fired, nuclear and combined cycle power plants
- Coal and nuclear plants generate about 50 % of world electricity



Gas turbine combined cycle



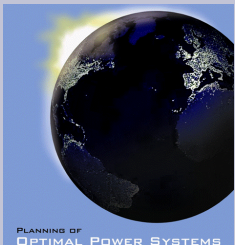
GAS TURBINE COMBINED CYCLE





Gas Turbine Combined Cycle

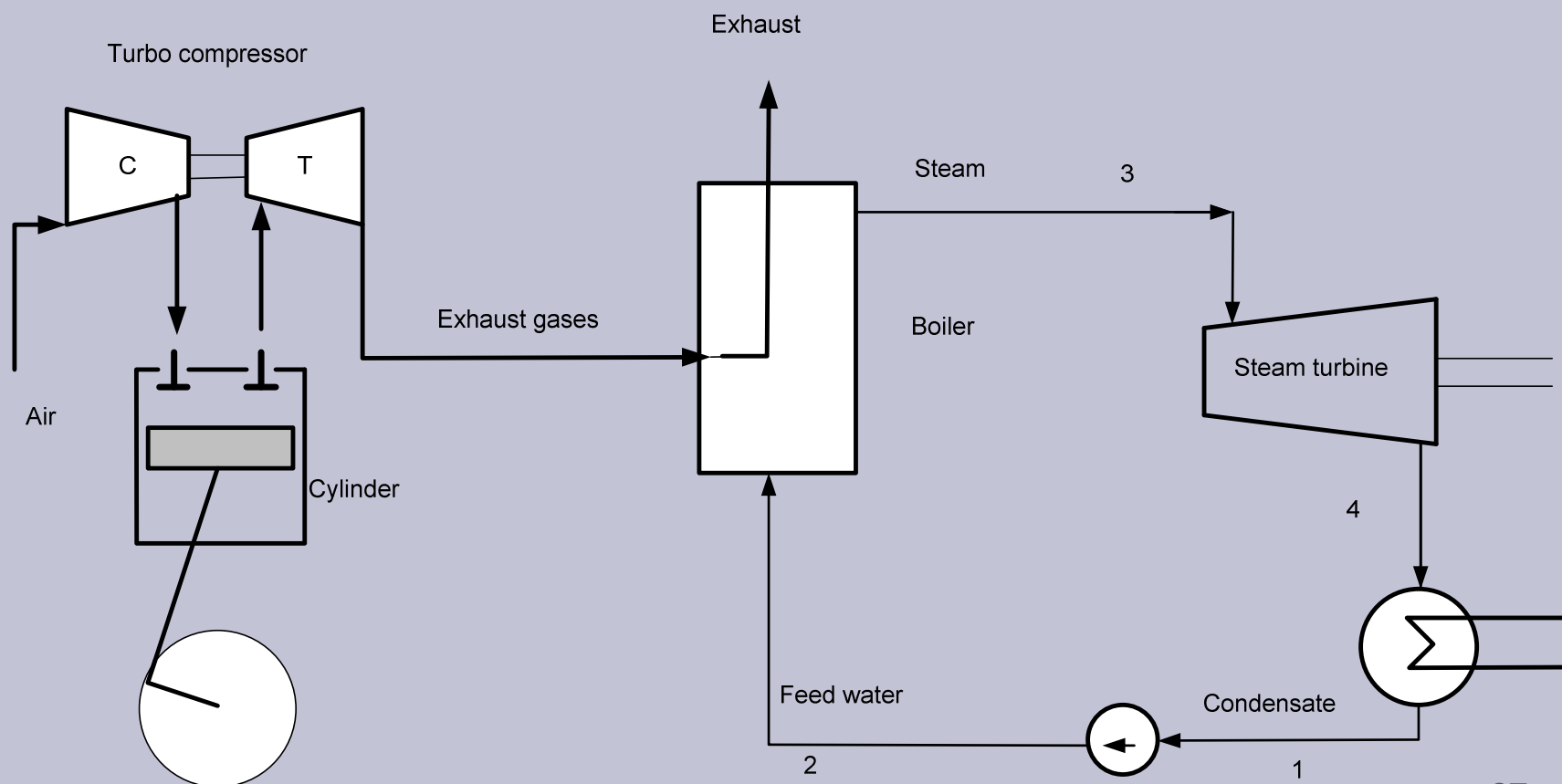
- Combines a gas turbine (Brayton cycle) and steam turbine (Rankine Cycle)
- About 66 % of power is generated in gas turbine and 34 % in steam turbine
- Efficiency of GTCC plant is typically 1.5 times the efficiency of the single cycle gas turbine plant



IC Engine Combined Cycle



IC-ENGINE COMBINED CYCLE





IC Engine Combined Cycle

- Combines a Internal combustion Engine (Diesel or Otto cycle) and steam turbine (Rankine Cycle)
- About 90 % of power is generated in gas turbine and 10 % in steam turbine
- Efficiency of GTCC plant is typically 1.1 times the efficiency of the single cycle IC engine plant



Electrical efficiency

$$\text{Efficiency } \eta = (P - P_{\text{aux}}) / Q \times K_t \times K_l$$

where

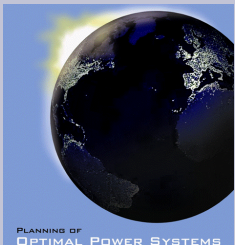
P = electrical output

P_{aux} = auxiliary power consumption

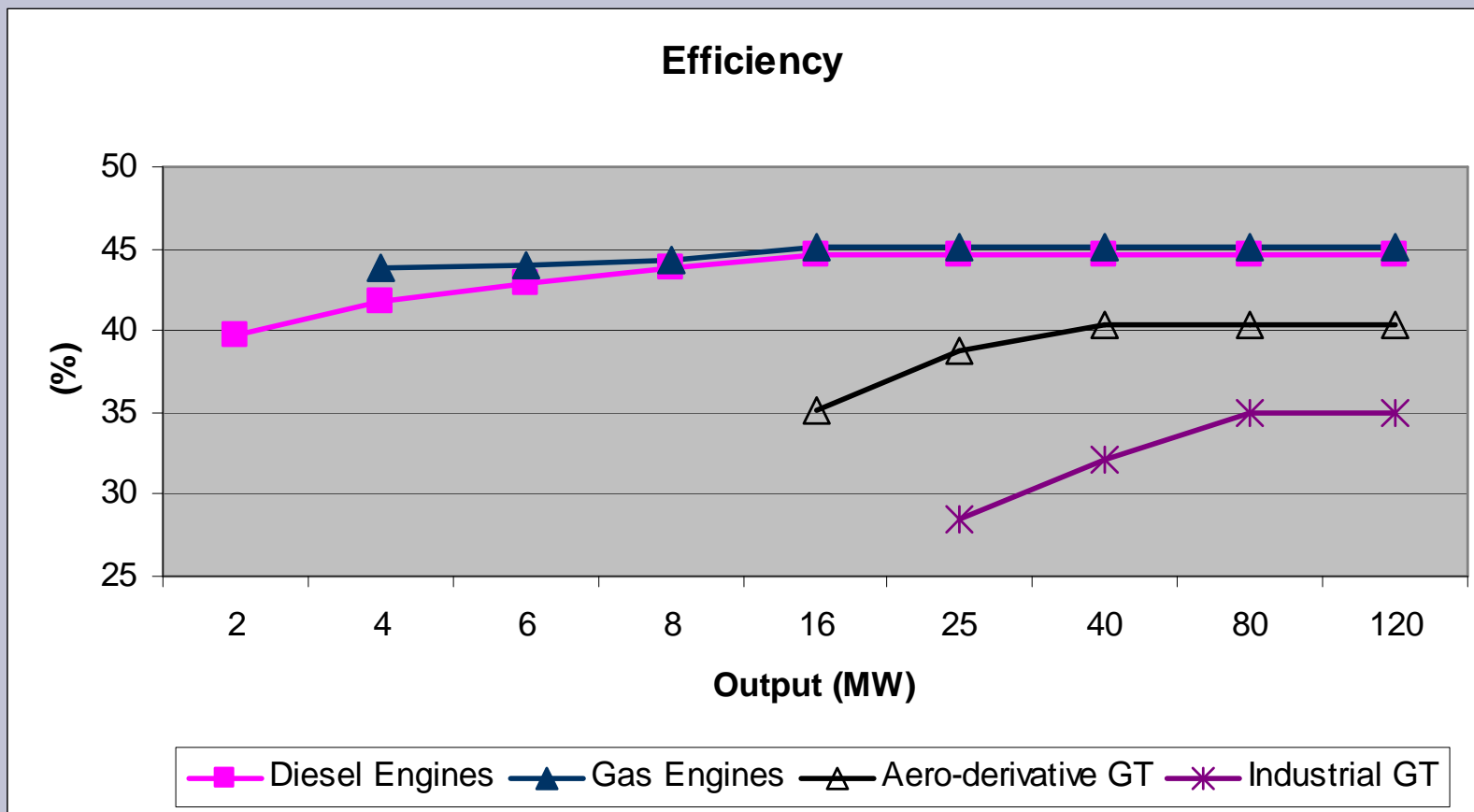
Q = heat output

K_t = temperature correction factor

K_l = part load correction factor

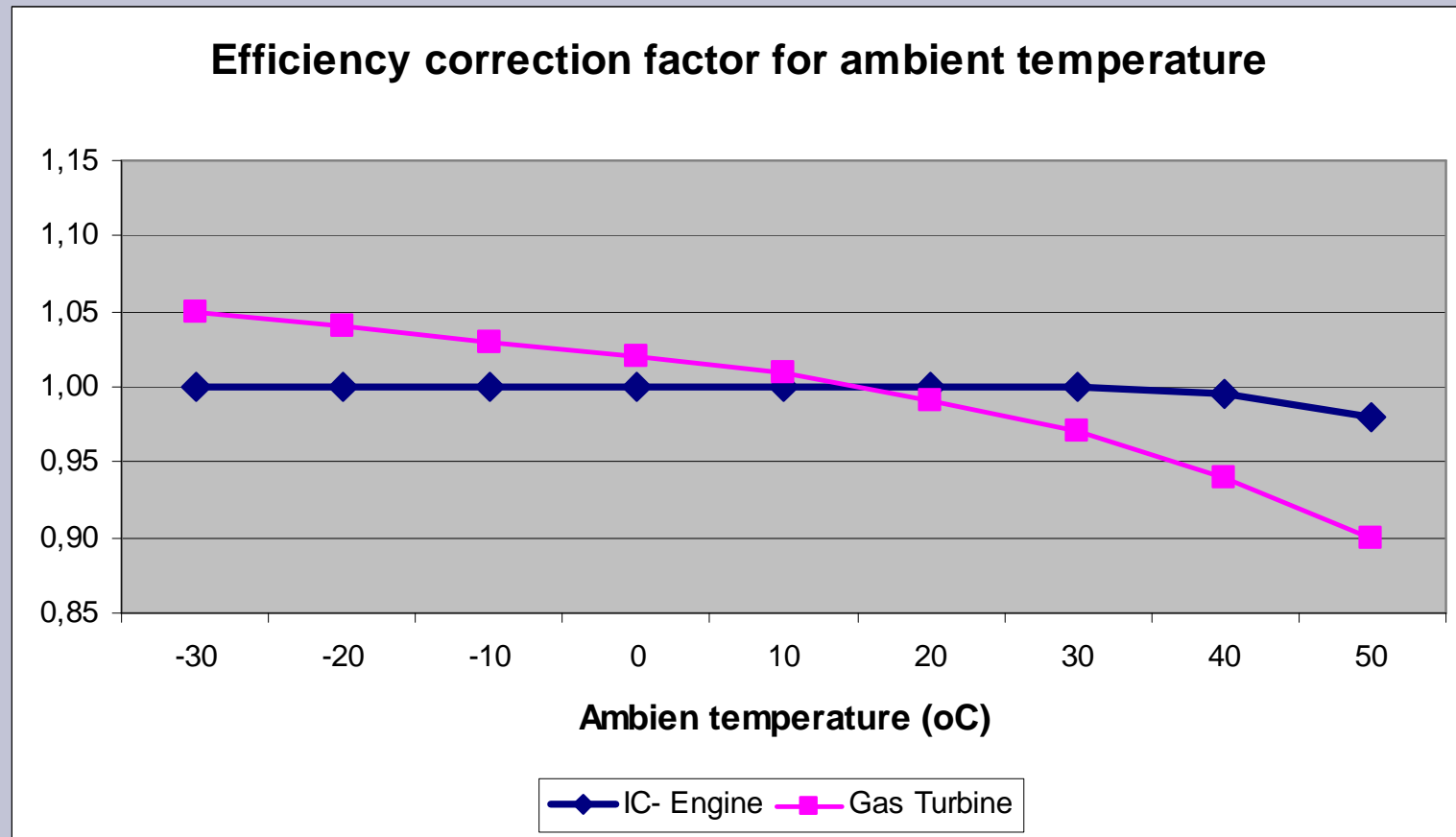


Electrical efficiency



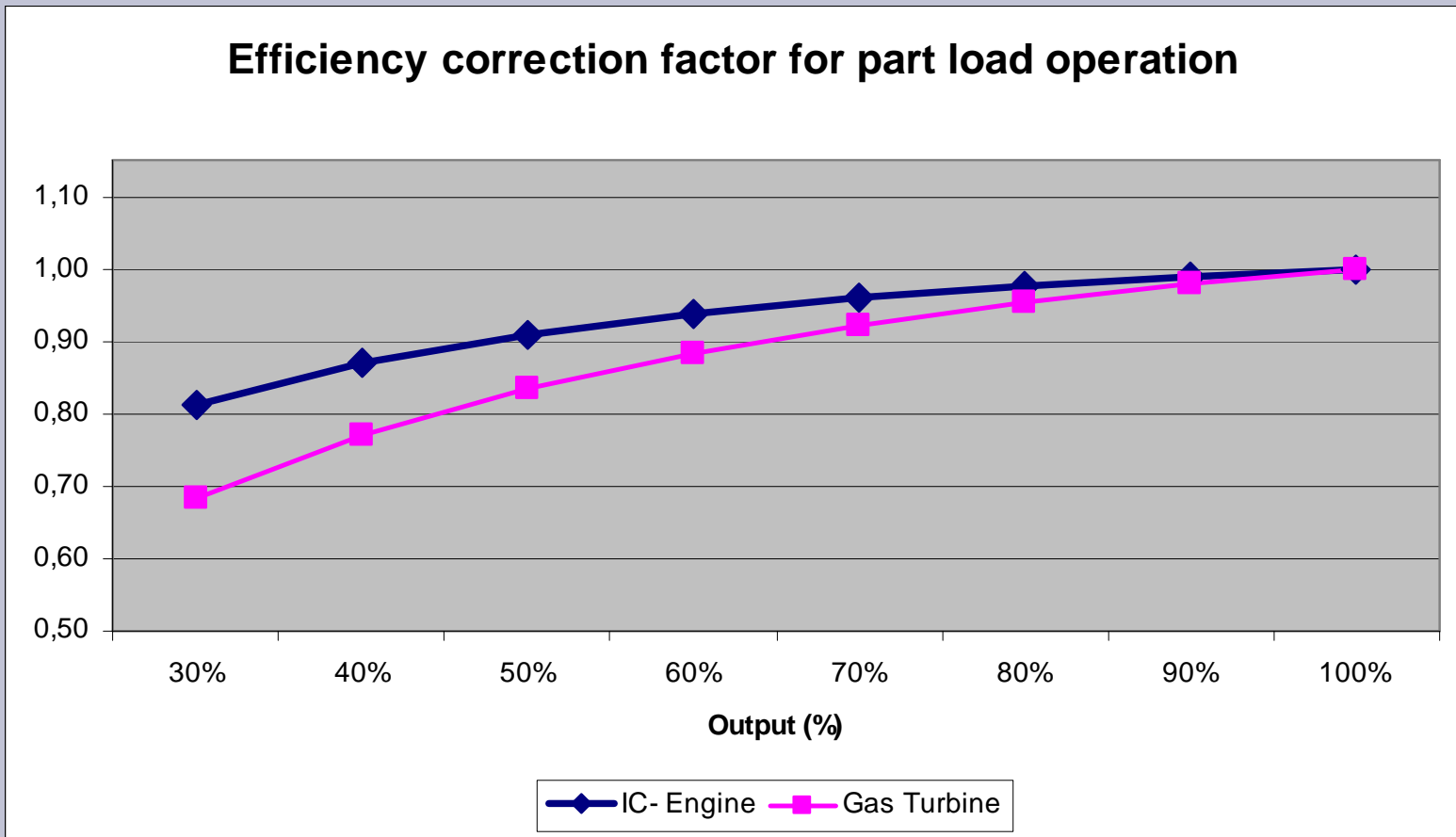


Efficiency correction factor for ambient temperature





Efficiency correction factor for part load operation





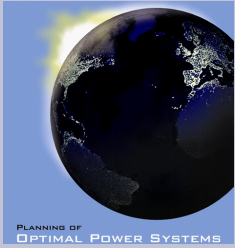
Classification of power plants by place of combustion

- Internal combustion engines
 - Diesel engines
 - Gas engines
 - Dual-fuel engines
- External combustion engines
 - Steam engines
 - Stirling engines
 - Gas turbines
 - Steam turbines



Classification of internal combustion engines

- By speed or rotation
 - Low speed < 300 r/min (ship engines)
 - Medium speed 300 - 1000 r/min (power plants)
 - High speed > 1000 r/min (Standby power plants and cars)
- By number of strokes
 - 2 - stroke (large ships)
 - 4 - stroke (power plants and cars)



Classification of internal combustion engines, continued

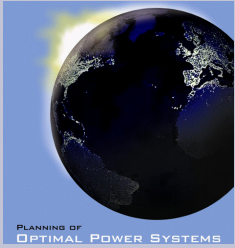
- By type of combustion
 - Lean burn ($\lambda > 1.2 - 2.2$)
 - Stoichiometric ($\lambda = 1$)
- By combustion chamber
 - Open chamber
 - Pre-chamber



Classification of internal combustion engines, continued

By fuel

- Heavy fuel oil (HFO)
- Light fuel oil (LFO)
- Liquid bio fuel (LBF)
- Natural gas (NG)
- Dual-fuel (NG/LFO)
- Tri-fuel (NG/LFO/HFO)
- Multi-fuel (NG/LFO/HFO/LBF)



Classification of gas turbines

- By type
 - Industrial (single shaft)
 - Aeroderivative (two shaft)
 - Microturbines (50 – 200 kW)
- By fuel
 - Light fuel oil (LFO)
 - Natural gas (NG)
 - Dual-fuel (NG/LFO)



Classification of steam turbine power plants

- By steam parameters
 - Subcritical (400 - 540 °C, 10 -150 bar)
 - Supercritical (600 °C, 240 bar)
- By fuel
 - Coal, lignite, biomass
 - Heavy fuel oil (HFO)
 - Dual-fuel (gas/HFO)



Classification of nuclear power plants

- By type of nuclear reaction
 - Fission (splitting U_{235} atoms)
 - Fusion (fusion of deuterium and tritium)
- By energy of neutrons in chain reaction
 - Fast reactors (fast neutrons)
 - Thermal reactors ("slow neutrons")



Classification of thermal reactors



- By moderator (slow down of neutrons)
 - Water
 - Graphite
- By cooling media
 - Water
 - Helium



Classification of water cooled reactors

- Pressurised water
 - Toshiba (Westinghouse), Mitsubishi (Japan), Areva (France), Rosatom (Russia)
- Boiling water
 - General Electric (USA)
- Heavy water
 - AECL (Canada)



Operating parameters

- Start-up time (minute)
- Maximum step change (%/5-30 s)
- Ramp rate (change in minute)
- Emissions



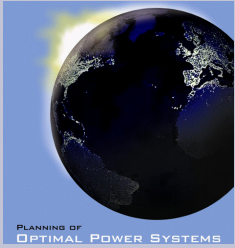
Start-up time

- Diesel engines 1 - 5 min
- Gas engines 5 - 10 min
- Aeroderivative GT 5 - 10 min
- Industrial GT 10 - 20 min
- GT Combined Cycle 30 – 60 min
- Steam turbine plants 60 – 600 min



Maximum change in 30 s

- Diesel engines 60 - 100%
- Gas engines 20 - 30 %
- Aeroderivative GT 20 - 30 %
- Industrial GT 20 - 30 %
- GT Combined Cycle 10 - 20 %
- Steam turbine plants 5 - 10 %
- Nuclear plant 5 - 10 %



Maximum ramp rate

- Diesel engines 40 %/min
- Gas engines 20 %/min
- Aeroderivative GT 20 %/min
- Industrial GT 20 %/min
- GT Combined Cycle 5 -10 %/min
- Steam turbine plants 1- 5 %/min
- Nuclear plants 1- 5 %/min



CO2 emissions

- Gas fired plants g/kWh
 - CHP 90 % efficiency 224
 - GTCC 55 % efficiency 367
 - Gas Engine 45 % efficiency 449
 - Gas Turbine 33 % efficiency 612
- Coal fired plants
 - Supercritical 45 % efficiency 757
 - Subcritical 38 % efficiency 896



Summary

- Power plants have different efficiencies, emissions and operational characteristics
- You should know the alternatives before start to plan of optimal power systems



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