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Industrial Opportunities and New Cycles Gas turbine - Cogeneration

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Presentation Outline

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- Reciprocating engines vs. gas turbines
- When a gas turbine makes sense in the P&P sector?
- Integration with a pulp flash dryer
 - Case Study: BCTMP flash dryer heat integration
- Possible integration with a lime kiln
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Research project overview *Objectives*

- Increase the use of cogeneration in the pulp and paper sector
 - Exploit new thermal hosts such as dryers and lime kilns
 - Integrate innovative cycles
 - Identify innovative and cost-effective ways to increase biomass usage as a fuel source
- With the goal of increasing power generation and the overall efficiency (power + heat)





Canadian Cogeneration Capacity

Table 2: Canadian Cogeneration Capacity by Technology type

Technology Type	Electric		Thermal	
	Capacity (kW _e)	(%)	Capacity (kW _t)	(%)
Gas Turbine	6,118.0	61%	2,035.5	20%
Steam Turbines	3,534.3	26.2%	4,135.9	30.6%
BPEST	690.3	6.9%	1,729.7	17.3%
BPST	543.8	5.5%	716.6	7.18%
CST	397.8	4.0%	770.8	7.72%
ECST	832.6	8.3%	778.0	7.79%
ST	1,069.9	10.7%	140.9	1.41%
Spark Ignition	69.5	0.7%	42.3	0.42%
Diesel	34.4	0.3%	1.8	0.02%
Microturbines	1.2	0.01%	1.7	0.02%
Unknown	214.4	2.2%	0.2	0.00%
GE	9.6	0.1%	3.0	0.03%
Total	9,981	100%	6,220	62%

Source: CIEEDAC Cogeneration Survey, publicly available data on cogeneration systems. Note: BPEST – back pressure extraction steam turbine, BPST – back pressure extraction steam turbine, CST – condensing steam turbine, CST – Extraction Condensing Steam Turbine, ST – steam turbine, GE – gas engine

About 55 plants were counted with Gas Turbine cogeneration unit.

http://www2.cieedac.sfu.ca/media/publications/Cogeneration_Report_2014_Final.pdf © Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Natural Resources, 2016 Le 25% n,est pa sclair



Cogeneration in Canadian pulp mills

- Canadian P&P mills have 1500 MW of installed power generation capacity (2012)
- Electricity prices generally very attractive ("green" power)
- Back-pressure steam turbines
 - Many mills, biomass and fossil fuels
 - Power generation limited by process steam demand
- Condensing turbines
 - Additional biomass-based generation of "green" power
 - <u>Not really cogeneration</u>, low overall cycle efficiency (~25%)
- Reciprocating engines and gas turbines
 - Very low penetration (few mills have them)





Research project - Our Approach



Operation Analysis & Improvements



Heat Integration



Water Network



Technology Integration

Utility Systems Optimization

Cost-effective resources management

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Utility Systems Optimization Approach

Equipment availability and performance

Variability in process heat demands



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Recip. engine and gas turbine basics



http://www.wartsila.com/docs/default-source/product-files/engines-generating-sets/dual-fuel-engines/wartsila-o-e-w-50df-tr.pdf

A very big car engine (up to 17MW)!



http://www.energy.siemens.com/co/en/fossil-power-generation/gasturbines/sgt-400.htm

- Capacity from 3 to 250 MW
- Higher-temperature heat

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Recip. engine and gas turbine basics

Parameters for comparison	Unit	Turbine	Reciprocating
Largest available engine size	MW _{el}	250	17
Smallest available engine size (excl. micro-scale)	MW_{el}	3	0.2
Typical exhaust temperature	°C	500	400
Electrical efficiency on natural gas (approx.)	% HHV	30	40 🔶
Usable heat > 100°C (approx.)	% HHV	60	30 ←
Usable heat < 100°C (approx.)	% HHV	small	20
Number moving parts around main shaft		1	Many!
Typical rotation speed	rpm	3600 & up	720 - 1800
Tolerance of "exotic" gases in fuel (biogas, H_2S , etc.)		Option	Option
Typical exhaust NO _x when branded as "low-NO _x "	ppm	< 15	200

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Possible pulp mill gas turbine retrofits



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Recip. engines and gas turbines Where do they make sense?

- Success criteria in pulp and paper mills
 - 1. Heat loads to match
 - a) Loads at a temperature ≥ 200°C compatible with turbine/recip. engine exhaust but not steam
 - b) Existing steam turbines + a new Heat Recovery Steam Generator
 - 2. Favorable economics
 - a) "Regular" power price > Natural gas price
 - b) "Green" power price > Biogas cost
 - 3. Potential for "green" power generation with biomass already exploited or not attractive
- Case study meets criteria 1a, 2a, 3





Case study overview

- BCTMP mill with multiple flash (fluff) dryers
- 100% reliant on natural gas for steam, H&V and dryer
- No existing cogeneration system (e.g. steam turbines)

Primary objectives:

- Reduce net electricity import in the mill by performing:
 - Heat recovery
 - Anaerobic digestion
 - Cogeneration

Without increasing CO₂ emissions compared to base case

- Maintain temperature and humidity profile quite stable within the dryer
- Develop optimal heat recovery configurations in order to maximize cogeneration efficiency (min 80% efficiency on a LHV basis)







Case study overview



Source: Http://papermart.in

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Case study overview Flash dryer



Source: http://sakaindia.com/product.html

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Case study overview Flash dryer



Source: http://www.pulpandpapercanada.com/news/swedish-mill-chooses-biomass-boiler-to-dry-pulp-1100000182

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Case study: sizing the cogeneration

- Potential sizing objectives
 - 1. Size the system to match the heat load (all dryers)
 - 2. Size the system for no net CO₂ increase
 - 3. Size the system to match the anaerobic digester biogas availability
- By coincidence, methods 1 and 2 give the same turbine size

Sizing results	Turbine	Reciprocating
Method 1: meet dryer load	12 MW _{el}	34 MW _{el}
Method 2a: CO ₂ -neutral (heat recovery + digester)	12 MW _{el}	9 MW _{el}
Method 2b: CO ₂ -neutral (heat recovery alone)	7-10 MW _{el}	5-7 MW _{el}
Method 3: pure biogas as fuel	Too small	3 MW _{el}





Case study: lessons learned about size

- 1. A reciprocating engine using solely available biogas misses 75% of the cogeneration potential (3 MW_{el} vs 12 MW_{el})
- 2. Dirty steam is always in surplus when the site-wide heat recovery potential is fully exploited captured in this mill (> 130°C)
 - This makes additional lower-grade heat, such as recip. engine water jacket and oil cooling, always ultimately useless in this mill (< 100°C)
- 3. It takes a very large recip. engine to meet the dryer load
- 4. If CO₂ emissions cannot be increased, more power generation can be made with a turbine, *despite the higher electrical efficiency of the recip. engine*







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- Highly integrated and efficient conceptual design
 - Dryer make-up air pre-heating using dirty steam excess heat
 - Building make-up air pre-heating using dryer exhaust waste heat (winter)
 - Direct injection of turbine exhaust in all dryers
 - Air mixing strategy to maintain previous flow, temp. in each dryer
 - Gas turbine load follows dryer demand
 - Building air rebalancing reduces H&V load in pulp warehouse
- Alternative design is possible using a thermal oil loop for dryer and building air heating





- Turbine pre-selection using manufacturer operating curve to meet dryers load
- Higher efficiency, more MWs in winter
- Orange = no dryer air make-up preheating (30°C inlet)
 - Fully loaded turbine year-round
- Green = maximum dryer air preheating (145°C inlet)
 - Partly loaded, lower electrical efficiency

http://www.energy.siemens.com/co/en/fossil-powergeneration/gas-turbines/sgt-400.htm

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Siemens SGT-400



- Mass and energy balances for different combinations estimated using CADSIM and COGEN simulations
- More detailed engineering is currently being conducted by the mill



Case study: Novelty and risk

- Established technologies, many installations, low risk
 - Heat recovery in pulp mills
 - Gas turbine for power generation with natural gas and biogas
 - Gas turbine exhaust used directly to dry non-pulp products: ceramics, starch, animal feed, tissue
- New technologies, few installations, moderate risk
 - Anaerobic digester coupled to a reciprocating engine or gas turbine
 - Reciprocating engine exhaust to pulp flash dryers (partial feed)
- Novel technology, only one installation in USA, higher risk?
 - Pulp drying using *only* gas turbine exhaust, fresh air and recycled air





Other Promising Applications Integration with lime kilns

 Only major fossil fuel user with no obvious carbon neutral fuel substitution option



Source: http://www.valmet.com





Other Promising Applications Integration with lime kilns

- Calcination temperature too high for a simple integration with a gas turbine
- Supplementary firing needed
- Use of biofuel required for long term viability (lignin, gasification, etc.)
- Potential to implement an ORC on the kiln exhaust



Other Promising Applications

- Breweries
- Ceramics
- Food Processing
- Mining
- Refineries
- Tires/Rubber
- Oil and gas
- Petrochemical and chemical
- Other manufacturing



Conclusions

- The integration of gas turbines in industrial facilities should be done using cogeneration, especially with upcoming CO₂ taxes/markets
- Site-wide approach is important to avoid sub-optimal design and integration (wrong size, topology issues, etc.)
- Heat integration between gas turbine and flash dryers offers significant cogeneration potential
- Gas turbines outperform reciprocating engines when there is no demonstrable site-wide heat deficit below 100°C
- Other promising opportunities are under investigation





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