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Split Cycle Air Hybrid Technology Engine Expo 2008

Hybrid Vehicle

- Stores braking energy as electricity
- Two drive systems
- Gas system Internal Combustion Engine
- Electric system consisting of:

Battery

Electric Motors

Generator

Power spliting device

Hybrid Vehicle Components



Advantages Of A Hybrid

- Recovers energy normally lost
- Increased Mileage
- Reduces Emissions
- Environmentally friendly

Issues With Electric Hybrids

- Cost
- Complexity
- Added weight
- Life of Batteries
- Disposal of Batteries
- Safety Issues High Voltage

Air Hybrids using conventional Engines

- Stores braking energy as compressed air
- One drive systems two driving modes
- Valve sequencing changes engine operation
- Air compressor
- Air motoring
- Internal combustion engine

Issues with Air Hybrids using conventional engines

- Complex valve switching system
- Costly VVA valves hydraulic or electric
- Energy storage capacity of air tank
- Driving vehicle on air only

New Developments in Hybrid Technology Split-Cycle Air Hybrid





Combustion

Air Hybrid using split-cycle Engines

- Separates compression from combustion
- Built-in air compressor
- Fires after top dead center
- Requires fast combustion process
- Fuel only on combustion side of engine
- Air tank added to split-cycle engine

Split-Cycle Air Hybrid



High pressure air feeds combustion

Advantage of split-cycle Air Hybrid Engine

- Lower cost hundreds vs thousands
- No combustion chamber
- Higher compression ratio
- Simple operating scheme
- High pressure air feeds combustion

Additional Advantages Of Split-cycle Air Hybrid

- Air can Operate Accessories
- Engine Brake
- Less safety issues
- Long life for energy storage device
- Less environmental issues

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Defining Tomorrow's Future Today *Introduces* Air Hybrid Engine Technology