#### **Fuel Injection Fundamentals**

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#### Let's put the Fun back in Fundamentals!



#### Agenda – What you can expect

- Welcome & personal introduction
- Start with the basics: Not the *why* nor necessarily the *how*, primarily the *what*
- Fuel Injection Theory
- Brief Overview of Porsche Fuel Injection systems
- Along the way, we'll look into the functions of the parts themselves
  - Injectors
  - Fuel pump
  - Pressure regulators/dampers
  - Oxygen sensor
  - Other fuel-related systems like evaporative emission controls and catalytic converters
- Model-specific questions & answers!

#### **Fuel Fundamentals**



We're NOT going to get into the chemistry or the thermodynamics, we'll stick mainly to car parts and what they do.

But first ...



#### **Fuel Fundamentals**



Let's start by looking at how SIMPLE fuel injection is

# V = P x T x A

V = P = T = A =Volume of Fuel pressure Time the Area of the fuel through behind the injector is injector the injector injector open orifice

> CIS (K-Jetronic) MPI (D-Jetronic) AFC (L-Jetronic) DME (Motronic)

#### **Fuel Fundamentals**





### Fuel Controller Inputs / Outputs



Here's an example from the 928S4



European 928S4

North American 928S4

#### Fuel Controller Inputs / Outputs

Now here's a blast from the past but the same basic idea, this time they're focusing on the inputs to a mechanical rod



#### Think About It

Q: If the fundamentals are covered by engine speed and throttle position, why is Bosch adding other controls?
A: Because the engine doesn't perform they way they want it to under certain conditions.

### Mechanical Fuel Injection MFI Bosch Mechanical

















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#### Continuous Injection System CIS Bosch K-Jetronic

## CIS Injector Type



#### Gasoline Fuel-Injection System K-Jetronic











#### Rube would be proud.



A first-generation electro-magnetic fuel injector is used to add additional fuel for start-up. This proved problematic for some 911 air boxes as fuel would pool at the bottom of the intake plenum.





We're introduced to a combination of simple sensors that use resistors and bi-metallic strips to sense temperature and activate cold starting and cold running cycles.





Coil spring

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2 Valve





#### Time Out!

#### Let's recognize other fuel-related components

Auxiliary Air Injection (even Thermo Reactors!) Catalytic Converters Oxygen Sensors (non-heated, heated, pre- and post-catalyst) Fuel Vapor Recovery including the Charcoal Canister & Expansion Tanks Crankcase ventilation, including air/oil separators



#### Time Out!

#### Let's recognize other fuel-related components: Auxiliary Air Injection with Thermo Reactors





#### Think About It

# "Blind" fuel injection systems vs. "Smart(er)" fuel injection systems: Q: What's the difference? A: Some level of feedback.

### Bosch CIS with Lambda Control

12 Fuel filter

13 Deceleration valve

15 Cruise control servo

14 Vacuum booster



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Frequency valve

9 Distributor

Throttle housing

2 Mixture control unit

4 (Werm-up) control pressure regulator

3 Fuel injector

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#### Catalytic Converters Introduced



Oxygen sensors are used not only to keep the engine running properly, they also help prevent the catalyst from overheating by limiting hydrocarbons





#### Catalytic Converters Introduced

The oxygen sensor serves multiple functions today, targeting the best running condition of the engine, and evaluating the health of the catalyst



#### Fundamental Challenges with K–Jetronic

As good as the fuel distributor/fuel injector setup was, there tended to be differences in fuel delivery to each cylinder







Air Distribution Housing Hose Connections (K-Jetronic)

#### Time Out!

#### Let's focus on a component: Fuel Pump





#### Q: What cools the pump? A: Gasoline!



#### And you want the fuel pump to run?

#### WIRING DIAGRAM - FUEL SYSTEM - 1986 TURBO 930



I'm going to completely baffle them by disconnecting this vacuum line right here ...
## Manifold Pressure Injection MPI Bosch D-Jetronic

Fundamentally different than CIS and much closer to our current generation fuel systems:

- Uses a microprocessor control unit to activate the injectors
- Solenoid-style electric injectors
- Utilizes a throttle switch with multiple internal contacts
- The big news is that it determines engine load by means of a vacuum sensing unit.









The system will determine engine speed AND trigger the injectors by means of mechanical contacts in the distributor in a compartment below the ignition points



Star of the show is the electro-magnetic fuel injector, a solenoid that opens and shuts fully when activated

#### A rather simple layout, introduced on the 914





The typical Bosch cylinder head sensor is a variable resistor that lowers its resistance value as the temperature goes up. They're called Negative Temperature Coefficient resistors (NTC).

Throttle valve switch opened up. Arrow points to contact points D-Jetronic throttle switch

The throttle switch provided idle and part-throttle information to the electronic control unit.

The manifold pressure sensor sensed absolute pressure by means of a single vacuum line to the intake manifold Rebuilt-Porsche-914-MPS-Manifold-Pressure-Sensor-D-Jetronic-Fuel-Injection-Part

This was Bosch's initial attempt at a modern fuel system controller. They even supplied a shop tester to dealers.









#### Let's focus on a component: Electric Fuel Injectors



The duty cycle is always determined by the electronic control unit

## Time Out!

#### Let's focus on a component: Electric Fuel Injectors



Q: What's the difference between each of these aftermarket applications? A: The flow rate.



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## Air Flow Control AFC Bosch L-Jetronic

## Air Flow Control (L-Jetronic)



## Air Flow Control (L-Jetronic)

The fundamental change from D- to L-Jetronic is the way engine load is measured



#### Air Flow Control (L–Jetronic)



As the air flap moves, a sweeper arm draws across a carbon track with increasing resistance value. This value is understood by the control unit to be the amount of air being pulled into the intake.

A factory-preset steel spring can be seen at the bottom of the assembly.

### Air Flow Control (L-Jetronic)

We'll find that the L-Jetronic airflow meter will carry over to the DME System





#### Let's focus on a situation







### Digital Motor Electronic DME Bosch Motronic









The DME control unit is going to use magnetic sensors to determine engine speed, relationship to **Top Dead Center** (TDC), and in later versions a cam sensor to determine which cylinder is firing. All injectors activate at the same time.



As usual, there are model-by-model differences. On the 3.2 liter Carrera there will be a separate idle and full throttle switch. On the 944 the two switches will be integrated into the same housing.

• Idle speed regulation is also introduced with DME





DME continued to evolve by adding electronic control inputs like engine oil temperature in addition to coolant temperature.

5 - Tank venting valve

#### Think About It

Q: What are two motivating factors for fuel injection engineers to make changes to a functional system?
A: Legislation & Cost Reduction.

#### Hot Wire (Air Mass Sensor) Bosch LH-Jetronic



While fundamentally the same as L-Jetronic, LH-Jetronic successfully introduced the idea of measuring air mass instead of air flow.

#### **Bosch LH–Jetronic**

The air mass sensor uses a voltage usage theory to determine how much air is flowing across a wire that is kept at constant temperature; this compensates for intake air temperature and altitude. The wire must be maintained (cleaned) by burning off impurities picked up from the atmosphere after each drive cycle.



#### **Bosch LH–Jetronic**

LH technology was introduced on the 928S4 as a standalone fueling system. Ignition was handled by EZF/EZK Ignition Control



#### Time Out!

#### Let's focus on a largely passive, often misunderstood system,



#### Time Out!

#### Fuel vapor recovery

ACTIVE CARBON TANK FOR POLLUTANT-FREE FUEL TANK VENTING (LAYOUT)





## Gasoline Direct Injection GDI Bosch Motronic

## Gasoline Direct Injection (GDI Motronic)

The injectors themselves require higher pressures and a modified injector profile fitted to the center of the combustion chamber



## Gasoline Direct Injection (GDI Motronic)



#### Injectors

The central position of the 7-hole injector in the cylinder head promotes a homogeneous, symmetrical fuel distribution in the cylinder.

Voltage boosters with flexible drivers are installed in the DME control unit for activation of the injectors.





7-hole injector

- 2\_07\_16 Injector position 8 7-hole injector
  - 9 Central injector position



## Gasoline Direct Injection (GDI Motronic)

Injector orientation and spray pattern can be optimized for best atomization, resulting in both power and efficiency


## So what could possibly be next?

Now in development: water injection



# So, what should I take away from all this?

# **Two Final Takeaways**

### 1. Fuel Injection is fundamentally simple.

Fuel injection volume = Fuel pressure x Fuel timing x Fuel Injector Size

#### 2. Don't believe everything you read.



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