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Ability assessment of electric energy production by the ship waste-heat turbogenerators, based on a real object analysis

Two variants of waste heat recovery from the exhaust gas emitted by the ship main engines are compared. Input data to calculations of the systems were obtained from sea trials of two containerships.

INTRODUCTION

Interest to the waste heat recovery problems on the ocean objects is directly proportional to fuel prices on the world market. A new research trend in the area has been initiated along with introduction of the high efficiency turbochargers onto the market. It appeared that the gas energy in the exhaust gas collector exceeded that demanded by the turbocharger. Almost immediately the surplus was proposed to be used for driving the so-called exhaust gas efficiency booster. The energy produced by the turbine can be applied to supporting the main propulsion or driving an electric generator.

In [1] J.B. Woodward compared ways of the waste heat recovery in the steam turbine system, realized in Rankine cycle with that in the system with the exhaust gas efficiency booster. Finally, he formulated several general conclusions on possible applications of those particular variants. The authors of this paper do not intend to argue with these conclusions, but they would like only to comment that the possible utilization of the waste heat, recovered from the exhaust gas, to produce steam in a waste-heat boiler has not been taken into account when considering the system with the efficiency booster.

This paper is aimed at development of the above mentioned analysis by making comparison of the waste-heat recovery systems closer to real objects with application of the data acquired from real ship sea trials and exploitation stage.

The computer software UTIL 1 [2] based on the algorithms published in [3] and [4] was applied to calculate the steam turbine system.

INPUT DATA TO CALCULATIONS OF THE SELECTED WASTE-HEAT RECOVERY SYSTEMS

To perform the analysis some data were collected upon two containerships : of 2500 TEU and 1700 TEU.

Data on 2500 TEU containership

The containership was built by Hyundai Shipyard in 1988. Recently she has operated on the route between West Europe and South America. From September to December 1998 one of the authors served as III engineer onboard the ship to record some power plant operation parameters (loading of the main engine and electric power plant - see Fig.1, temperatures of exhaust gas, sea water and air in the engine room etc) by means of the ample measuring equipment installed on the ship. The data formed the basis for calculations of the waste-heat recovery systems of the ship in question.

The ship is propelled by 7RTA84 Hyundai Sulzer low-speed diesel engine of the contract maximum continuous engine rating CMCR = 21 252 kW at 90 rpm speed. Determination of the mean service load of the engine met some difficulties due to a.o. too small statistical sample of the service data. On the basis of [7] a load frequency histogram for the main engine was made, as shown in Fig.2. The mean load value of 14 545 kW resulting from it is contained within a load interval of low frequency of occurrence and therefore cannot be assumed a representative value. Hence the middle values of the intervals of the highest occurrence frequency, i.e. of 13 180 and 15 580 kW, respectively, were taken for further computations. To check rightness of the design prediction calculations of the waste-heat recovery systems were also performed for the continuous service rating CSR, i.e. the mean service load value assumed at design stage of the ship power plant.

As an assumed value of the steam demand was unknown the value of 2100 kg/h estimated on the basis of the fuel consumption of

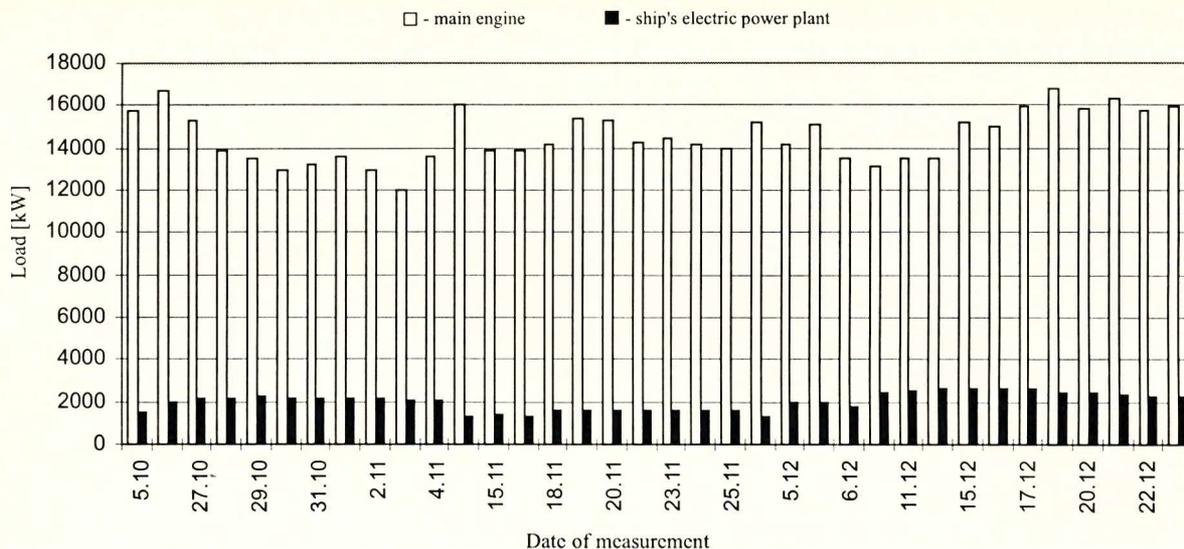


Fig. 1. Loading of the main engine and electric power plant of 2500 TEU containership at sea

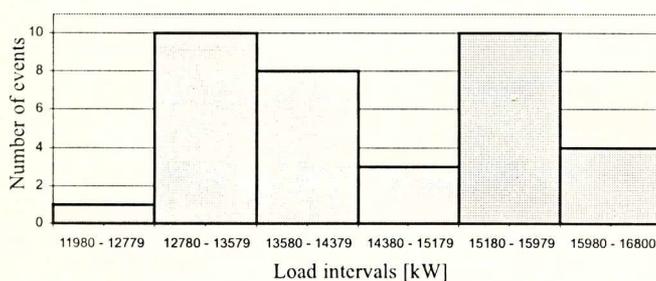


Fig. 2. Load frequency histogram of the main engine of 2500 TEU containership

the boilers during ship lying in the port in winter was taken into account. It can be justified because the steam produced by the waste-heat boiler satisfied the steam demand in all climatic zones (the output of the boiler was 2500 kg/h at the main engine load of 85% CMCR, according to the manufacturer).

The exhaust gas mass flow rate was determined with the use of the engine manufacturer guidelines [6] as well as technical information obtained from the shipyard. Values of the temperature in front of and behind the turbochargers were determined on the basis of the measurements carried out during the ship's operation. The temperatures were reduced to the same ambient conditions (i.e. to the temperature of 27°C in the engine room). The obtained results were approximated by a cubic curve. Values of the exhaust gas pressure in front of and behind the turbochargers were evaluated on the basis of the report from the engine tests on the test bed.

The main engine in question was fitted with two VTR 714-32 turbochargers. The engine manufacturer provided for installation of the efficiency booster system (EBS/PTO) of NTC-214 type (of 550 kW) or NTC-254 type (of 800 kW) although the turbochargers did not belong to a group of the modern and highly efficient devices. Therefore the calculations concerning the efficiency booster system were carried out in a similar way as in the case of the more modern unit.

The ship is intended for carrying the reefer containers which can be fitted with individual refrigerating units or connected to the ship refrigerating system (so called CON-AIR system). The assumed large number of the reefer containers of both types to be carried and 1500 kW bow thruster installed onboard made it necessary to provide an electric power plant of a high power output. The total power of the electric power plant of the ship in question was 6700 kW. It consisted of four electric generating sets driven by Wärtsilä medium-speed diesel engines : 2 x 6R32 of 2000 kW and 2 x 4R32 of 1350 kW.

The mean load of the electric power plant during sea voyage was 2004 kW at simultaneous power surplus of 1341 kW. The relative power surplus, defined as the ratio of the power surplus to the sum of the load and surplus, was 40% on the average. This high surplus value can be explained in the following way. The ship in ques-

tion has an unattended engine room. The chief engineer decides on a number of generating sets to operate in such a way as to lower risk from unforeseen situations (e.g. black-outs). Therefore safety at sea and good seamanship becomes superior to economic demands in this case.

In Fig. 3 the load frequency distribution of the electric power plant is illustrated. The arithmetic mean load of 2004 kW is located within the interval of the highest frequency of occurrence. Hence it can be accepted as the representative value.

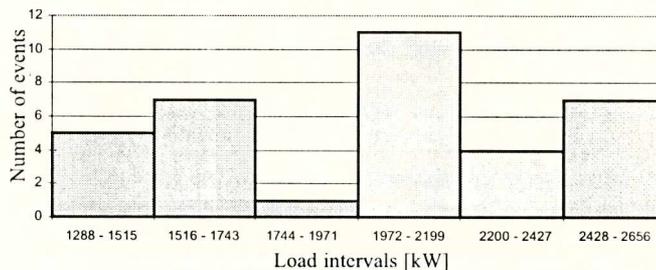


Fig. 3. Load frequency histogram of the electric power plant of 2500 TEU containership

No correlation between loading of the main engine and electric power plant was found, as shown in Fig. 4.

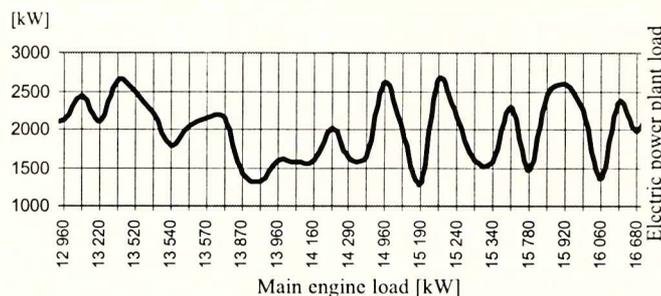


Fig. 4. Load changes of the electric power plant versus the main engine load

Data on 1700 TEU containership

The containership of B-170 type was built by Szczecin Shipyard in 1998. She was fitted with 6RTA62U Sulzer low-speed diesel engine of the nominal continuous engine rating CMCR = MCR = 13 320 kW at 113 rpm. The assumed continuous service rating CSR = 11 988 kW (90% CMCR) at 109.1 rpm. The heating steam demand in winter was assumed equal to 1844 kg/h. The electric power plant consisted of three generating sets, driven by 9S20H Cegielski Sulzer diesel engines, with the total electric power of 3700 kW. The electric power plant mean service loading of 1990 kW was assumed.

The main engine load equal to the design CSR value was assumed for calculations of the waste-heat recovery systems because service performance data of the ship was not available.

The exhaust gas mass flow rate was determined on the basis of the engine manufacturer guidelines [5]. Values of the temperature in front of and behind the turbocharger were recorded during sea trials of the ship. The pressure in the exhaust gas collector was analytically determined in function a.o. of the exhaust gas temperature in front of and behind the turbocharger and of the pressure behind it.

The main particulars of both ships in question are collected in Tab.1.

Tab.1. Main particulars of both considered ships

| Systems | Ship type : | 2500 TEU containership | 1700 TEU containership |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | Year of completing the ship : | 1988 | 1998 |
| Main Engine | Engine loading state | Main engine type | |
| | | 7 RTA 84 | 6 RTA 62U |
| | MCR | 23170 kW at 90 rpm | 13320 kW at 113 rpm |
| | CMCR | 21252 kW at 90 rpm (92% MCR) | 13320 kW at 113 rpm (100% MCR) |
| | CSR | 18383 kW at 85.7 rpm (86.5% CMCR) | 11988 kW at 109.1 rpm (90% CMCR) |
| | Service load | 13180 kW and 15580 kW (62% and 73% CMCR resp.) | CSR (expected) |
| Electric power plant | Total rating | 6700 kW | 3700 kW |
| | Service load | 2004 kW | 1990 kW (expected) |
| Steam system | Heating steam demand at sea in winter | 2100 kg/h | 1844 kg/h |
| | Steam pressure | 0.7 MPa | |

Scope, input data and conditions of the calculations

The calculations were carried out in compliance with ISO conditions, namely :

- ♦ air temperature in the engine room : 27°C
- ♦ cooling water temperature in the low-temperature system : 27°C.

Two design solutions were analyzed :

- ★ the waste-heat recovery system with the steam turbogenerator (TPU)
- ★ the waste-heat recovery system with the efficiency booster and steam turbogenerator (EBS/PTO +TPU).

The calculations were performed at the following service loadings :

- ME loading of 2500 TEU containership :
 - ♦ 13 180 kW
 - ♦ 15 580 kW
 - ♦ CSR
- ME loading of 1700 TEU containership :
 - ♦ CSR

Tab.2. The input data to calculations of the waste-heat recovery systems (common for both ships)

| Parameter | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|--|----------|-------|--------|
| Exhaust gas temperature behind KU (waste-heat boiler) | tsp2 | 160 | °C |
| Exhaust gas temperature drop behind ME | dt1 | 5 | °C |
| Difference of exhaust gas and steam temperature in steam superheater | dt2 | 75 | °C |
| Waste-heat boiler (KU) efficiency | eKU | 0.98 | - |
| Steam turbogenerator (TPU) efficiency | eTPU | 0.675 | - |
| EBS/PTO system efficiency | eEBS/PTO | 0.7 | - |
| Steam consumption rate of TPU | cpw | 0.07 | - |
| Heating steam drip temperature | tspg | 98 | °C |
| Supply water temperature | two1 | 60 | °C |
| Steam pressure drop in front of TPU | dp1 | 0.015 | MPa |
| Steam temperature drop in front of TPU | dt4 | 2 | °C |
| Steam pressure in condenser | pk | 0.005 | MPa |
| Specific thermal capacity of exhaust gas | cpsp | 1.069 | kJ/kgK |
| Specific steam enthalpy | - | 2712 | kJ/kg |
| Steam dryness level | x | 0.98 | - |
| Superheated steam pressure | pn | 0.7 | MPa |

Waste-heat recovery system with the steam turbogenerator (TPU)

The system in question is presented in Fig.5.

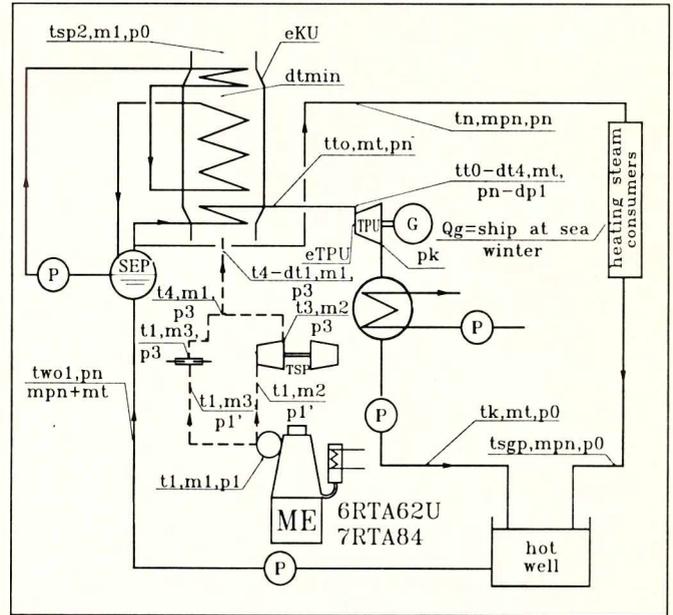


Fig.5. Scheme of the waste-heat recovery system with the steam turbogenerator (TPU)

A gas surplus from the exhaust gas collector directly flows into the main funnel piping passing by the turbocharger. The exhaust gas is choked to the pressure in the main piping. The waste-heat boiler consists of a steam superheater, evaporator and exhaust-gas heater of supply water. Possible waste heat recovery in the charging air cooler is not provided. The turbine is supplied with superheated steam. The input data to calculations of the TPU systems in question are given in Tab.2,3 and 4.

Tab.3. Input data to TPU system calculations of 1700 TEU containership (Main Engine load : CSR)

| Parameter | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|--|--------|--------|------|
| Exhaust gas flow rate from ME | m1 | 28.105 | kg/s |
| Exhaust gas flow rate by passing turbocharger (11% m1) | m3 | 3.091 | kg/s |
| Exhaust gas temperature in front of turbocharger (TSP) | t1 | 405 | °C |
| Exhaust gas temperature behind ME | t4 | 289 | °C |

Tab.4. Input data to TPU system calculations of 2500 TEU containership

| Parameter | ME load : 13 180 kW | 15 580 kW | CSR |
|--|---------------------|-----------|--------|
| Exhaust gas flow rate from ME m1 [kg/s] | 28.667 | 33.917 | 40.028 |
| Exhaust gas flow rate by passing turbocharger (11% m1) | 3.152 | 3.731 | 4.403 |
| Exhaust gas temperature in front of turbocharger t1 [°C] | 398 | 397 | 432 |
| Exhaust gas temperature behind ME t4 [°C] | 321 | 306 | 308 |

Waste-heat recovery system with the efficiency booster and steam turbogenerator (EBS/PTO + TPU)

A scheme of the system is presented in Fig.6.

A part of the gas from the exhaust gas collector (about 11% of the entire flow rate, acc. to [8]) supplies the efficiency booster. After expansion in the booster and turbocharger, respectively, both fluxes (of m1 and m2 rate) join together and enter the waste-heat boiler. If the amount of steam possible to be produced is greater than that demanded for heating purposes of the ship it will be possible to in-

investigate adding the steam turbogenerator to the system. In this case a waste-heat boiler should be similarly provided as in the above considered solution.

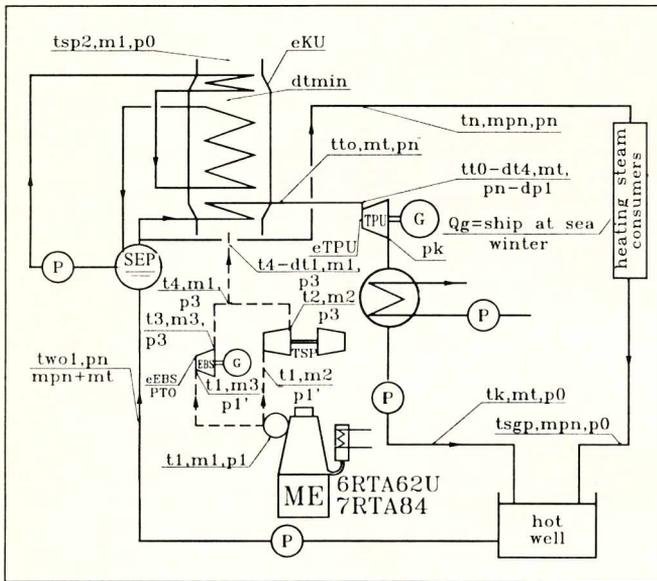


Fig.6. Scheme of the waste-heat recovery system with the efficiency booster and steam turbogenerator (EBS/PTO + TPU)

The input data to calculations of the (EBS/PTO +TPU) system in question are given in Tab.2,5 and 6.

Tab.5. Input data to calculations of (EBS/PTO +TPU) system of 1700 TEU containership. (Main Engine load : CSR)

| Parameter | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|---|--------|--------|------|
| Exhaust gas flow rate from main engine (ME) | m1 | 28.105 | kg/s |
| Exhaust gas flow rate feeding the booster (EBS/PTO) (11% m1) | m3 | 3.091 | kg/s |
| Exhaust gas pressure in ME collector | p1 | 0.2566 | MPa |
| Exhaust gas pressure in funnel piping | p3 | 0.1031 | MPa |
| Exhaust gas pressure in front of booster (EBS/PTO) and turbocharger (TSP) | p1* | 0.2564 | MPa |
| Exhaust gas temperature in front of turbocharger (TSP) | t1 | 405 | °C |
| Exhaust gas temperature behind ME | t4 | 278 | °C |

Tab.6. Input data to (EBS/PTO +TPU) system calculations of 2500 TEU containership.

| Parameter | ME load : 13 180 kW | 15 580 kW | CSR |
|---|---------------------|-----------|--------|
| Exhaust gas flow rate from ME m1 [kg/s] | 28.667 | 33.917 | 40.028 |
| Exhaust gas flow rate feeding the booster (EBS/PTO) m3 [kg/s] | 3.152 | 3.731 | 4.403 |
| Exhaust gas pressure in funnel piping p3 [MPa] | 0.103 | 0.1035 | 0.1037 |
| Exhaust gas pressure in front of booster (EBS/PTO) and turbocharger (TSP) p1* [MPa] | 0.1715 | 0.1952 | 0.2233 |
| Exhaust gas temperature in front of turbocharger (TSP) t1 [°C] | 398 | 397 | 432 |
| Exhaust gas temperature behind main engine (ME) t4 [°C] | 315 | 298 | 197 |

CALCULATION RESULTS

Results of the calculations of the waste-heat recovery systems are presented in Tab.7.

Tab.7. Calculation results of the waste-heat recovery systems

| System version | Ship type : 2500 TEU containership | | | | 1700 TEU containership | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------|------------------------|--------|
| | ME load : | 13 180 kW | 15 580 kW | CSR | CSR | |
| EBS/PTO + TPU (1+2) | N2 [kW] | 539 | 576 | 727 | 360 | |
| | N1 [kW] | 204 | 296 | 435 | 341 | |
| | N1+N2 [kW] | 743 | 872 | 1162 | 701 | |
| | dtmin | 21.6 | 18.8 | 18.8 | 15.5 | |
| | mpn [kg/h] | 2113.6 | | | | 1845.5 |
| | gmt [kg/kWh] | 7.45 | 7.57 | 7.55 | 7.75 | |
| TPU (2) | N2 [kW] | 572 | 628 | 804 | 418 | |
| | dtmin | 22.6 | 20.1 | 20.4 | 17.3 | |
| | gmt [kg/kWh] | 7.77 | 7.50 | 7.63 | 7.56 | |

Output values of the steam turbogenerator TPU calculated at the assumed dtmin = 5°C are presented in Tab.8. In this case the heat exchange area of the waste-heat boiler would be greater, as well as the steam pressure and other parameters would be changed.

Tab.8. Output values of the steam turbogenerator TPU calculated at the assumed dtmin = 5°C

| System version : | | EBS/PTO + TPU | | TPU | |
|------------------------|------------|---------------|----------|---------|----------|
| Ship type | ME loading | N2 [kW] | pn [MPa] | N2 [kW] | pn [MPa] |
| 2500 TEU containership | 13 180 kW | 577 | 1.1798 | 615 | 1.2216 |
| | 15 580 kW | 611 | 1.0689 | 670 | 1.1182 |
| | CSR | 791 | 1.0794 | 862 | 1.1289 |
| 1700 TEU containership | CSR | 374 | 0.9572 | 439 | 1.017 |

In Tab.9 the electric output values available by means of the steam turbogenerator only, estimated on the basis of [5] and [6], are given for comparisons.

In [6] the assumptions can be found which the nomograms for estimating the TPU output are based on, namely :

- no exhaust gas temperature drop between the turbocharger outlet and waste-heat boiler inlet
- the exhaust gas temperature behind the waste-heat boiler equal to 160 °C
- the condensate temperature is lower than that of cooling water by 10 °C
- the specific steam consumption by TPU equal to 7 kg/kWh
- the steam pressure equal to 0.7 MPa
- exhaust gas from the main engine is only used as the heat source.

Tab.9. The electric output values available by means of the steam turbogenerator only, estimated on the basis of [5] and [6]

| Ship type | ME loading | N2 [kW] |
|------------------------|------------|---------|
| 2500 TEU containership | 13 180 kW | 672 |
| | 15 580 kW | 763 |
| | CSR | 882 |
| 1700 TEU containership | CSR | 480 |

FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSIONS

After analysis of the presented results the following conclusions could be formulated :

As far as 2500 TEU containership is concerned

■ The electric power obtained from the waste-heat recovery sources does not satisfy the mean power demand. In spite of that, the idea of the exhaust-gas heat deep utilization still seems attractive for the following reasons :

- Saved amounts of fuel oil and lubricants are measurable. According to Ssangyong Heavy Industries, the generating set producer, the specific fuel oil consumption (at the applied fuel oil calorific value of 42 700 kJ/kg) is equal to :

- ⇒ for 6R32D engine - 191 g/kWh \pm 5 %
- ⇒ for 4R32D engine - 194 g/kWh \pm 5 %.

The determined mean load of the electric power plant is of 2004 kW. To obtain this output at least two generating sets : 2 x 4R32D or 4R32D + 6R32D are to operate. Usually the second variant is chosen for safety reasons (40% power surplus). The sets operated with 800 and 1200 kW output, respectively. Had the system (EBS/PTO + TPU) been installed, the smaller generating set would have been switched-off (under the condition of maintaining 60% CMCR main engine output). In this case 3757 kg of fuel consumption per day, i.e. 4.6% of the entire daily consumption could be saved.

- When only one diesel engine generating set operates then it is possible to devote more time to maintain and overhaul the rest of the sets. Maintenance period of each of the sets becomes longer. However as far as the ship in question is concerned, it is not sure whether application of the system (EBS/PTO + TPU) would make it possible to lower ratings of the installed generating sets. The power distribution system of the ship was so designed that the bow thruster cannot be started if all four generating sets are switched onto the electric network.
- Noise and vibrations in the engine room can be lower.

- The measurements on the ship were carried out by means of the engine room measuring instruments. Most of them was of the indicator type and not those for strictly measurement purposes.
- The ME service load, CSR, assumed at the design stage is much higher than the real one.

As far as 1700 TEU containership is concerned

- The output of the system (EBS/PTO + TPU) is high, but does not satisfy the assumed power demand.
- Real service loading values of the main engine and electric power plant of the ship were not available. Only one measurement result performed on the new ship was used.

General conclusions

- The energy of the exhaust gas passing by the turbocharger (TSP) can be used to drive the efficiency booster (EBS) or to increase output of the steam turbogenerator (TPU). The results given in Tab.7 indicate that the application of EBS/PTO system only (without TPU) provides small power amounts especially at low ME loads. However application of the system consisting of an exhaust-gas-driven efficiency booster and steam turbogenerator can substantially increase output of the waste-heat recovery turbines. Therefore if maintenance considerations are not accounted for, the concept of the combine system (EBS/PTO + TPU) can be assumed rational.

- The TPU power outputs estimated on the basis of [5] and [6] are higher than those calculated in this elaboration. This could be caused by different assumptions made for the calculations presented in the paper. It is not possible to accurately compare the two methods of TPU output determination given in [1] and [5, 6] because of an insufficient scope of information contained in the publications of the main engine producer.

- In the TPU systems rather high values of dt_{min} were obtained at the assumed steam pressure. Hence the waste-heat boilers of a moderate size and price could be sufficient. The engine rooms of the ships in question are, in opinion of the authors, spacious enough to additionally contain a TPU installation together with condenser.
- For the containerships it is not possible to determine the electric power plant output in function of the ME output only (see Fig. 4), as many factors, a.o. number of the shipped reefer containers, type of the cargo contained in them, ship operation zone, influence loading of the electric power plant.
- The calculated output of the waste-heat turbogenerators [in both TPU and (EBS/PTO + TPU) systems] is high. It means that satisfying the entire electric power demand could be possible on the ships of a lower electric energy consumption. Especially the bulk carriers seem to be in a promising situation. Most of the ships are not fitted with cargo handling equipment and bow thrusters which substantially lowers electric power demand. Installation of the (EBS/PTO + TPU) system could be connected with resigning from one of the three diesel-engine-driven electric generating sets. However attention should be paid to the following fact : 7RTA84 diesel engine mentioned in the paper can be appropriate for propelling a bulk carrier of about 150 000 dwt (for propulsion of a 30 000 dwt bulk carrier a 7500 kW engine would be sufficient). Nowadays few such large bulk carriers are built. Therefore one cannot count on wide market supply of the waste-heat deep recovery systems.
- The large drop of dt_{min} value shown in Tab.8 and thus the increased heat exchange area of the waste-heat boiler makes the TPU power output greater to a small extent only.

NOMENCLATURE

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| CMCR | - Contract Maximum Continuous Rating |
| CSR | - Continuous Service Rating |
| EBS/PTO | - exhaust gas efficiency booster |
| G | - electric generator |
| KU | - waste-heat boiler |
| MCR | - Maximum Continuous Rating |
| ME | - main engine |
| P | - pump |
| SEP | - separator |
| TPU | - waste-heat recovery steam turbogenerator |
| TSP | - turbocharger |
| cp _{sp} | - specific exhaust gas heat capacity [kJ/kgK] |
| dp ₁ | - steam pressure drop in front of TPU [MPa] |
| dt _{min} | - minimum temperature difference in KU [°C] |
| dt ₁ | - exhaust gas temperature drop behind ME [°C] |
| dt ₂ | - difference between exhaust gas and steam temperature in steam superheater [°C] |
| dt ₄ | - steam temperature drop in front of TPU [°C] |
| e _{KU} | - efficiency of KU |
| ep _w | - steam consumption factor of TPU |
| e _{EBS/PTO} | - efficiency of EBS/PTO system |
| e _{TPU} | - efficiency of TPU |
| gmt | - specific steam consumption of TPU [kg/kWh] |
| mp _n | - saturated steam flow rate for heating purposes [kg/s] |
| mt | - superheated steam flow rate [kg/s] |
| m ₁ | - exhaust gas flow rate from ME [kg/s] |
| m ₂ | - exhaust gas flow rate passing through TSP [kg/s] |
| m ₃ | - exhaust gas flow rate by passing TSP [kg/s] or that feeding the booster (see Tab.4 and 5, respectively) |
| N ₁ | - power output of EBS/PTO system [kW] |
| N ₂ | - power output of TPU system [kW] |
| Q _g | - heat amount for heating purposes [kW] |
| p _k | - steam pressure in condenser [MPa] |
| p _n | - pressure of produced steam [MPa] |
| p ₀ | - ambient pressure [Pa] |
| p ₁ | - exhaust gas pressure in ME gas collector [MPa] |
| p ₁ * | - exhaust gas pressure in front of EBS/PTO system and TSP [MPa] |
| p ₃ | - exhaust gas pressure behind TSP [MPa] |
| tk | - condensate temperature behind condenser [°C] |
| tn | - steam saturation temperature [°C] |
| tsg _p | - heating steam condensate temperature [°C] |
| tsp ₂ | - exhaust gas temperature behind KU [°C] |
| tt ₀ | - superheated steam temperature behind KU [°C] |
| two ₁ | - supply water temperature [°C] |
| t ₁ | - exhaust gas temperature in front of turbines [°C] |
| t ₃ | - exhaust gas temperature behind TSP [°C] |
| t ₄ | - exhaust gas temperature behind ME [°C] |
| x | - steam dryness level [-] |

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The seminar was a very good occasion for producers and operators to be acquainted with scientific achievements in question, and for research workers to confront their ideas with specialist experience gained from practice.

Conference

Congress of underwater archeology

Central Maritime Museum (CMM) in Gdańsk, under the management of Prof. A. Zbiński and Dr Jerzy Litwin, plays an important role not only in the field of museum activities but also greatly contributes to achievements of underwater archeology. Recently, CMM, one of the leading European research centres in this area, took part in organization of the International Congress of Underwater Archeology in Sassnitz.

Apart from Polish and German teams, scientists of underwater archeology research centres from Greece, Netherlands, Sweden and Great Britain participated in the congress. As usual, information about results of current research was exchanged, moreover, an important problem was discussed of legal protection of material culture heritage to which wrecks of foundered ships have belonged too. Unfortunately, they are more and more often looted by underwater seekers of valuable things. During such actions many objects of historical importance are damaged.

During presentation of the latest achievements of underwater archeology and preservation of historical objects CMM representatives demonstrated results of exploration of wrecks of the medieval boats sunk in Puck Bay as well as preservation methods used by CMM to the objects brought out from the sea bottom, and results of such works.

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