# Marine Keel Cooler Optimization Tool

EML 4551C Senior Design

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#### **Problem Statement & Goal**



• Problem Statement:

*"The current Cummins Keel Cooler Tool provides no feedback on a particular design and is limited in its capability"* 

• Project Goal:

"Design a more versatile design tool which generates feedback and provides a more user friendly interface"

### **Project Scope**



- The current design has no customer feedback
- Only provides user an output of "Pass/Fail" on design
- Needs to provide recommendations for design improvement
- The device needs to be able to evaluate the design of the keel cooler through the use of different materials (Currently only evaluates steel)
- Current tool is outdated and not user friendly

## **Project Scope**

- Customer Characteristics
  - Evaluates through multiple materials
  - Accurate
  - Interactive feedback
  - Define optimal size
- Engineering Characteristics
  - Sharable
  - Programming Language
  - Minimize coding lines
  - Maximize processing time







Technical Rank scale:	
4 Highest	
2 Medium	
1 lowest	

#### Customer Priority: Ranks from 1 to 5 where 5 is the highest



- A properly designed and installed cooling system is essential for satisfactory engine life and performance
- Keel cooling is a cooling system which utilizes a group of tubes, pipes or channels attached to the outside of the hull below the waterline
- Cummins Marine one of the Markets within Cummins Inc. is specialized in diesel engines outfitted to provide power in marine vessel applications
- Since cooling of engine is not possible to thoroughly rely on charged air circulation, an alternate system must be used

- Cummins Marine Requires a design optimization tool as well as a design validation tool for keel cooling systems
- A predictive tool is require for the Marine Application
  Engineers to ensure engine installation quality assurance



LTA Thermostat Housing



 Jacket Water After Cooler (JWAC) QSK19







- Steps for Design:
  - 1. Choose the right programming language
    - Can we make the program work?
  - 2. Identify the user and current inputs/outputs
    - Who will be utilizing the program?
    - What are the user inputs?
    - What are the expected outputs?
  - 3. Structure the program correctly
    - *Is the program intuitive and self-explanatory?*
    - Establish standards for quality



- 1. Choosing a Coding Language
  - C, Java, Matlab
  - Judging criteria
    - ✓ Knowledge
    - Structure
    - Aesthetics
    - ✓ Relevance

#### Table 1: Decision Matrix

Program:	Knowledge	Structure	Aesthetics	Relevance	Total:
С	9	10	1	10	8.5
Java	2	7	8	8	4.2
Matlab	8	1	8	6	6.4

C was chosen due to Team Member familiarity and ease to convert to other languages if necessary



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- 2. Identify the User
  - Primary users will be Marine Application Engineers and Boat builders in shipyards
    - Two purposed: Validation and Design
  - Uses same user inputs as the current program but adds custom engine option as well as design mode inputs
  - Outputs: 2 Modes 3 Ouputs
    - **Design Mode:** Allows users to input custom parameters and outputs design specifications
    - Validation Mode: Allows users to input current specifications and outputs either "Pass" or "Fail" with design optimization suggestions



**Current Program** 

**Specification Sheet** 

Engine Data				
Engine Model				from General Data Sheet
Engine Brake Horsepower	[BHP]			from Performance Data Sheet
Engine Speed	[rpm]			from Performance Data Sheet
Select a Cooling Circuit Type				from Performance Data Sheet
Total Circuit Heat Rejection	[BTU/min]			from Performance Data Sheet
Coolant Flow to Keel Cooler	[gpm]			from Performance Data Sheet
Engine Coolant Capacity	[gallons]			from General Data Sheet
Coolant Type (50/50 glycol or Water/DCA	4)	Make a Selection	~	50/50 Glycol solution preferred
Maximum Sea Water Temperature	[deg F]	85		Typical sea water temperature is between 75-85 deg. F
Design Speed	[knots]			Typical sizing speeds are: 1) Tugs/Pushboats: 1-2 knots 2) Generator set: 0.1-1 knots
Keel Cooler Data		3		
Standard Channel Size		Make a Selection	~	C depth (inches) × Weight Per Unit Length (pound force per foot)
Channel Width	[inches]			from standard steel channel tables
Channel Height	[inches]		2	from standard steel channel tables
Web Thickness	[inches]			from standard steel channel tables
Cross Sectional (Web) Area	[sq. inches]			from standard steel channel tables
Coolant Velocity	[ft/sec]			Best if kept between 2-8 ft/sec
Channel Material		Steel		
Total Installed Keel Cooler Length	[feet]			Increase cooler length or number of flow paths until Pass/Fail criteria is met
Thermal conductivity "k"	[BTU/hr-F-ft]	26.5		
Number of Flow Paths				
Results				
Actual KC Exterior Area	[sq. feet]			
Calculated Exterior Area	[sq. feet]			
Minimum Keel Cooler Length	[feet]			
Minimum Expansion Tank Capacity	[gallons]			from Installation Directions bulletin No. 3884744
Passing Criteria	[Pass / Fail]			Increase cooler length or number of flow paths until Pass/Fail criteria is met

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- 3. Program Structure
  - Divided into the main function with conditionally accessed sub-functions (modules)
    - Sub-functions contain engine information, variable parameters, and calculations
  - Logical structure of user input
    - User selects answers by typing corresponding numbers from the Engine Data Sheet
    - User to have option of returning to previous selection screen



## Scheduling and Resource Allocation



- Trip to Cummins Marine Integration Center facilities Scheduled Spring 2016
- Team expected to visit production facility Scheduled Spring 2016
- First-hand look at production engine and keel cooler system
- Gain general assessment of keel cooled system:
  - Functionality
  - ✓ Typical dimensions/specifications on installed system



## Scheduling and Resource Allocation

- Work Breakdown
  - <u>Program:</u>
    - Stage 1: Catalog constants/Values in program
    - Stage 2: Incorporate thermodynamic formulae in program
    - Stage 3: Test/Debug
    - Stage 4: Add functionality for multiple material
    - Stage 5: Test/Debug
  - <u>Testing Apparatus</u>:
    - Design Keel Cooler test section (sea channel)
    - Build test section to analyze program performance/predictive nature



## Scheduling and Resource Allocation

- Cost Breakdown
  - Program:
    - Coded using free software available to team (no monetary cost, just time)
  - <u>Testing Apparatus</u>:
    - Square metal tubing- Steel: \$13 ft. / Aluminum: \$10 ft.
    - Round metal tubing- Steel: \$ 5 ft. / Aluminum: \$6.50 ft.
    - Pump- \$100-500
    - Flanges- \$2-50 (dependent on material, size, intricacy, etc.)
    - Fasteners- <\$250
  - <u>Travel Expenses:</u> ≥ \$400

#### Results



#### Possible Risks in Product Testing

- Building the testing equipment (validation keel cooler)
- Proper Keel Cooler connections
- Burns caused by the heat transfer from the engine
- Possibility of causing engine failure by overheating engine \$\$\$

#### Results



#### Possible Risks in Product Implementation

- If the product does not provide the correct read outs
- Improper analysis could lead to an overheated engine (potential engine failure)
- If proper engine cooling is not achieved, could lead to poor reputation/image of project sponsor and team

#### Risk Analysis

- Concept Generation (No Risk)
- Product Assembly (Low Risk)
- Product Testing (Medium Risk)
- Product Implementation (High Risk)

#### Team 3: Marine Keel Cooler Optimization Tool

• Current Week:

Project Outlook

- Prepare equations for coding
- Determine outline for program
- Create flow chart for code
- Following Week:
  - Continuation of above tasks
  - Establish basic architecture
  - Configuration design

ID	0	Task Mode	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish
14		*	pugh matrix	1 day	Fri 10/16/15	Fri 10/16/15
15		*	decision matrix	2 days	Sat 10/17/15	Mon 10/19/1
16		*	project prep	2 days	Mon 10/19/15	Tue 10/20/15
17		*	Midterm Report I	1 day	Tue 10/20/15	Tue 10/20/15
18		*	product architecture	11 days	Tue 10/20/15	Tue 11/3/15
19		*	Flow Chart	11 days	Tue 10/20/15	Tue 11/3/15
20		*	configuration design	11 days	Thu 11/5/15	Thu 11/19/15

