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Introduction

Enhancement of Ship’s emissions, efficiency and comfort

- **Fuel option**
  - MGO
  - LNG
  - Other low-flashpoint fuels

- **Energy efficiency**
  - Hull form
  - Machinery improvement
  - Alternative energy converters

- **Logistics and speed**
  - Speed reduction
  - Vessel utilization
  - Alternative Sea routes

Maritime Fuel Cells are promising to enhance

- Ship Energy Efficiency
- Emissions
- Noise & Vibration

Abstract from DNV GL Energy Transition Outlook 2017: Maritime Forecast to 2050
Introduction

Motivation

- Improvement of Ship Energy Efficiency
- Use of alternative fuels
- Reduction of emissions to air
- Reaching insignificant noise and vibration level

Driver

- Environmental regulations and initiatives to
  - Increase efficiency of ship operation
  - Reduce NO\textsubscript{X}, SO\textsubscript{X}, CO\textsubscript{2} and particle (PM) emissions
Introduction

Fuel Cells for Transportation

- Fuel Cells Systems have been tested for all modes of transport
- Different Fuel Cell types were developed

*recently: EMSA Study on the use of Fuel Cells in Shipping

Studies are showing* that in terms of
- Development status
- Efficiency
- Load change behaviour
- Fuel flexibility

PEMFC and HTFC are most suitable for maritime applications
Introduction

Challenges for FC in shipping

- Maritime Environment
  - ship motions
  - vibrations
  - humidity till 60 %
  - salty air
  - temperatures:
    - Full load capacity and efficiency till 45 °C
    - Full response for electrical equipment till 55°C

- Design requirements
  - testing criteria (add-ons to land-based application)
  - reliability and availability
  - fuel storage, distribution, processing onboard
Introduction

Developments

- Start with first maritime FC applications in the early 2000s
- Mostly based on European and US development programmes
- Technology readiness of FC for maritime application has been proven
- Recent development projects focusing on a common rule framework for maritime Fuel Cells
Technologies applied

Fuel Cell Modules

- Exhaust
- Consumer heat
- Energy storage
- Consumer Electricity

Electricity & Heat

Fuel storage, preparation, distribution

Net integration

Fuel

Air
Technologies applied

Suitable Fuel Cell Types

**PEMFC**
- High development status
- Dynamic load profiles possible

**MCFC, SOFC (HT-FC)**
- High efficiency
- Low requirements on fuel and air quality (in comparison to PEMFC)
- High temperature exhaust air at 650°C to 1,000°C enables combination with CHP processes

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*Figures derived from project results including losses depending on fuel to be used; increase of efficiency expected due to further development*
Technologies applied

PEMFC demonstrations projects

- Submarines, yachts, ferries and boats have been fitted with PEM fuel cells running on hydrogen
- Practical examples are
  - 100 kW installation on the inland passenger vessel *ALSTERWASSE* in Hamburg, 2006-2013
  - 60 kW installation on the inland passenger vessel *NEMO H2* in Amsterdam, 2012
  - 60 kW HT-PEM installation on the passenger ferry MS MARIELLA (*Pa-X-ell project*), 2016
  - 35 kW installation on the inland passenger vessel MS INNOGY in Essen, 2017

Fuels used in this projects: Hydrogen, Methanol
Technologies applied

**MS ALSTERWASSER** – operated by ATG in Germany

- 100 Passengers
- 25.46m x 5.36 m (L,W)
- 100 kW propulsion motor
- 2 Fuel Cell systems from Proton Motor, each 50 kW
- 360 Ah lead-gel batteries
- Hydrogen storage tanks, 350 bar, 50 kg
- Separation of gas storage room, Fuel Cell space and battery space
- Duration: 2006 - 2013
Technologies applied

**MS INNOGY** – operated by innogy in Germany started 2017

![Diagram of MS INNOGY featuring various components and specifications](image-url)
Technologies applied

**MS MARIELLA** – operated by Viking Line between Helsinki and Stockholm

- Passenger ferry for 2,500 Pax
- Fuel Cell Demonstrator of the *Pa-X-ell project* led by the Meyer Yard
- HT-PEM Fuel Cell plus bunkering and storage of pure methanol
- 3 racks from serenergy with overall electric power output of 60kW fed into ship grid
- Methanol tank Capacity: 6m³ (Double walled type)
Technologies applied

MCFC and SOFC demonstration projects

- Several commercial vessels have been fitted with Molten Carbonate and Solid Oxide fuel cells running on Methanol / Natural Gas

- Practical examples are:
  - A methanol-fuelled SOFC plant of 20 kW tested on board of the car carrier Undine, 2006
  - The LNG fuelled MCFC plant of 330 kW MCFC installed on board of the Viking Lady (FellowShip project), 2003-2011
  - A SOFC installation to be tested onboard of a commercial vessel during the SchIBZ project
Technologies applied

**VIKING LADY** – operated by Eidesvik Shipping

- Gas-electric OSV with FC and Battery
- Operations of a 330KW MCFC on board of Viking Lady
- Li-Ion battery system with 0.5 MWh capacity
- Test of stand-alone fuel cell power pack integrated in a ship
- Operating successfully for 18,500 hours
Rules & Regulations
International maritime legislation

- **IMO**: International Maritime Organization
- Established in 1948 as a UN agency
- Main purposes:
  - Prevent pollution from ships
  - Enhance safety of shipping and ships
- Main conventions:
  - **MARPOL** (marine pollution) from 1973 / 1978 → Environmental protection
  - **SOLAS** (Safety of Life at Sea) from 1974 → ships safety
- Classification societies are approving in accordance to own rules and regulations on behalf of the flag state
Role of classification societies

Survey of ships during the whole lifetime based on own class rules and guidelines

**Newbuildings**
- Drawing approval
- Construction supervision
- Approval

**Fleet in service**
- Periodical survey

Class societies does have their own rules & guidelines
Overview Rules and Regulations

International Maritime Regulations

Class Rules

International Standards

National Regulations
Committees and Sub-committees of IMO

- **Assembly (A)**
  - **Council (C)**
    - **Maritime Safety Committee (MSC)**
      - **Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)**
      - **Legal Committee (LEG)**
      - **Technical Co-operation Committee (TCC)**
      - **Facilitation Committee (FAL)**
    - **Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE)**
      - **Navigation, Communications, Search and Rescue (NCSR)**
      - **Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW)**
      - **Implementation of IMO Instruments (III)**
      - **Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC)**
      - **Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR)**

*Maritime Fuel Cell Applications | Lars Langfeldt*
Main driver: New rules for gas as ship fuel (initiated by the Norwegian Maritime Authority (NMA) in 2004)


**IGF Code** - Code of Safety for Ships using Gases or other Low flashpoint Fuels, adopted by IMO June 2015, replaced the interim guidelines by January 2017

The IGF Code will provide mandatory provisions for low-flashpoint fuels and fuel cells

Currently natural gas regulated. General provisions for low flashpoint fuels defined. The use of other low flashpoint fuels including hydrogen can be approved based on alternative design.
**Current Status - Alternative Design**

**Currently, for Fuel Cells and Hydrogen**

- IGF codes provides the possibility for alternative design process

- The *equivalence* of the alternative design shall be demonstrated by a *risk-based approach* as specified in SOLAS regulation II-1/55 and approved by the Administration

- The “Guidelines on Alternative Design and Arrangements for SOLAS Chapters II-1 and III (MSC.1 / Circ. 1212)” providing guidance to perform the *Alternative Design Process*

**Preliminary Analysis**
- Identification of rule deviations
- Hazard Identification
- Scenarios, methods and assumptions for quantification

**Quantitative Analysis**
- Quantification of selected scenarios
- Comparison to conventional design

**Report of Assessment**
- Documentation
- Presentation to flag
Current Status – Class Rules

Most of the maritime fuel cell process chain covered by Class rules and recommended practices

- **Approval of Fuel Cell installation acc. DNV GL class rules**
  - Pt.6 Ch.2 Sec.3 FUEL CELL INSTALLATION – FC installations
  - Environmental tests acc. DNV GL CG 0339 Sec.3
    - Vibration tests
    - Inclination test
    - Salt mist test
    - Temperature condition test

Additional requirements to be considered acc. to e.g.
- IEC 62282-3-100 Stationary fuel cell power systems- Safety
- IEC 62282-2 Fuel cell modules
- Risk Assessment
Ongoing Developments

[Image showing logos of various companies and institutions related to maritime fuel cell applications]
Ongoing developments

- **e4Ships** – German funded Lighthouse project for maritime Fuel Cell application
  - Phase 1: 2009 – 2017
  - Phase 2: 2017 - 2021

- **Aim** – Development of maritime Fuel Cell systems capable for serial production. Provide input for Rule development (e.g. IGF Code)

- Developments are in line with the objectives of the German "mobility and fuel strategy":
  - Introduction of alternative and regenerative fuels
  - Development of innovative power technologies
  - Aiming a big share of Hydrogen and Fuel Cell application for all modes of transport in a long-term view
Ongoing developments

Pa-X-ell2 (2017 - 2021)

- Further development / optimization of FC-power system (market readiness)
  - Increase performance and lifetime (>20,000hs)
  - Development of NG reformer
- Long term testing on board MS MARIELLA
- Development decentralized energy network and hybrid system
Ongoing Developments

SchIBZ2 (2017 -2021)

- Final testing of diesel reforming in combination with a SOFC system
- Operation onboard MS FORESTER until end-of-life
- Supply of 25 to 50% of the power demand
- Buffering of load fluctuations
- Addition of heat recovery
- Enhancement for distributed networks
- Integration with DC-grid
- Development of NG reformer
**Ongoing developments**

**RiverCell2 (2017 -2021)**

- Final design for HT-PEM system, 240 kw_{el}
- Methanol as fuel
- Detail-design of River cruiser demonstrator
- Construction of Demonstrator until 2020
- Testing until 2022
Ongoing developments

Fuel Bunkering

- Requirements for Natural Gas only (ISO 20519)
- Definition of Safety Zone and Security Zone
- Suitable standards for equipment and processes
Summary & outlook
Summary

- Technology readiness of FC for maritime application has been proven
- Studies are showing that PEM FC and HT-FC systems are most suitable for maritime applications
- Maritime applications with up to 330 kW are already tested and a number of FC-vessel are still in operations
- Different fuels have been applied: Diesel, LNG, Methanol and Hydrogen
- Fuel Cells can be approved by the given rule framework (IGF-Code); prescriptive international requirements for alternative fuels and fuel cells are still in development
- Technology and rule development are driven by ongoing projects as e.g. the lighthouse project
### Outlook Rules, Regulations and Guidelines

#### IGF Code:
- Use of fuel cells
- Use of other low flashpoint fuels than LNG/CNG
- Bunkering of gaseous H₂, other low flashpoint fuels and LH₂

Further development of IGF code needed. Detailed safety studies. Use existing standards for non-maritime applications as input.

#### Bunkering:

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#### On-board storage:

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<th>Safe handling of hydrogen releases</th>
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<td>Ventilation requirements</td>
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<td>New arrangement designs</td>
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<td>Piping to fuel cell system</td>
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<th>Procedures should be developed for commissioning, docking, maintenance to reflect the properties of hydrogen and other LFL fuels.</th>
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#### Fuel specific:

| Hydrogen                     | Comprehensive safety studies considering hydrogen specific properties, behaviour and conditions needed for the use of hydrogen in shipping applications |
Outlook technology development

Short term view (next 5 years)

- Development of proven maritime FC systems ready for mass production
- Reach Fuel Cell system lifetimes > 20,000h
- Decrease of dimensions and weights
- Reduction of investment costs
  - Comparable with diesel engines at 400 $/kW, and the lifetime costs of the installation must be compared (investments and operation).
  - Fuel Cell system prices by 5,000 $/kW
  - A target of 1,500 $/kW has frequently been used
- Development of Natural Gas – fuelled FC systems for maritime use
- Development of DC board nets
Outlook New buildings

Cruise shipping industry

- Increasing interest for Fuel Cell applications

- Several cruise shipping lines announced fuel cell developments for New buildings
  - AIDA cruises
  - Royal Caribbean Cruises
  - Viking Cruises

- For the next 5 years FC test installations from 100 kW up to full power supply with more than 20 MW are planned
More on Fuel Cells in Shipping

- e4ships lighthouse project for the development of maritime fuel cell applications
  - [http://www.e4ships.de/](http://www.e4ships.de/)

- EMSA: Study on the use of fuel cells in shipping
“water will one day be employed as fuel, that hydrogen and oxygen which constitute it, used singly or together, will furnish an inexhaustible source of heat and light, of an intensity of which coal is not capable”

Jule Verne, the mysterious island, 1874

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