

# ASSESSMENT OF SOLAR STEAM INJECTION IN GAS TURBINES

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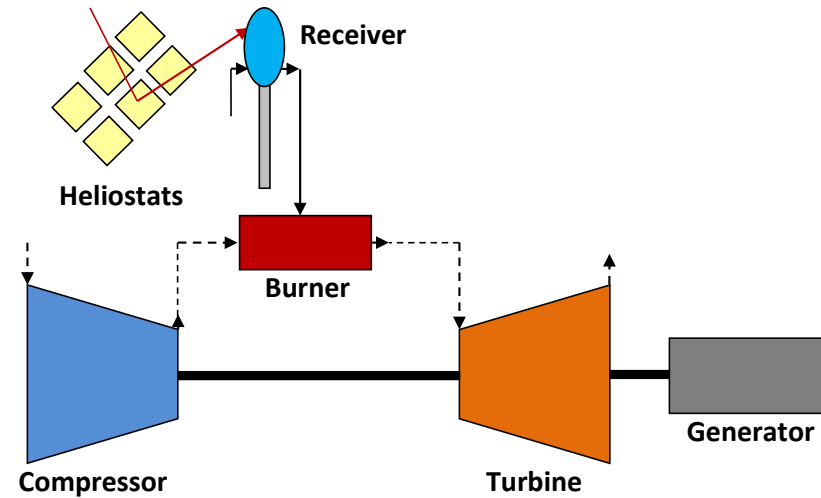
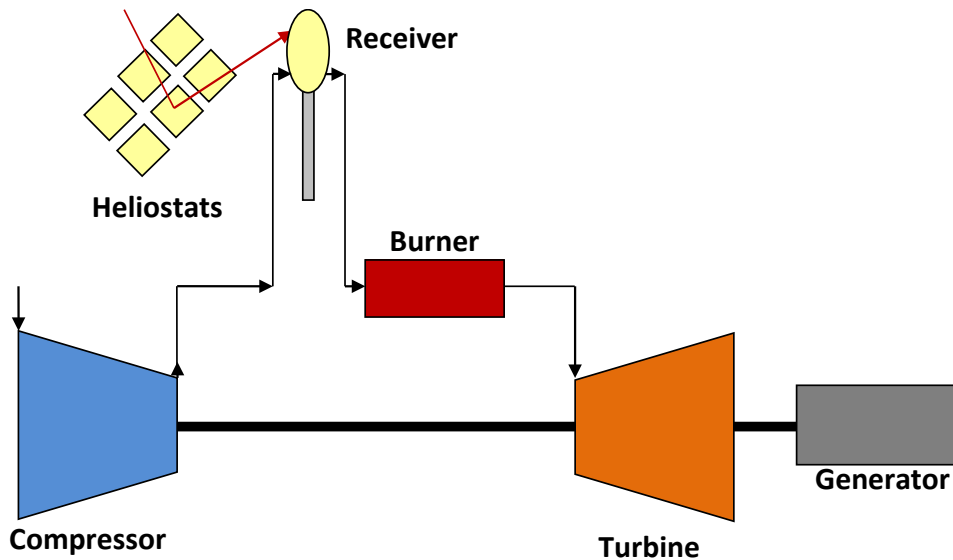
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# Motivation & Objectives



- **Conventional hybridization**
  - Energy production penalty
  - Air extraction difficulties
  - Burner cooling difficulties

- **Solar STIG**
  - Increased produced energy
  - Fewer construction difficulties
  - STIG: Used technology
  - Solar steam: Used technology

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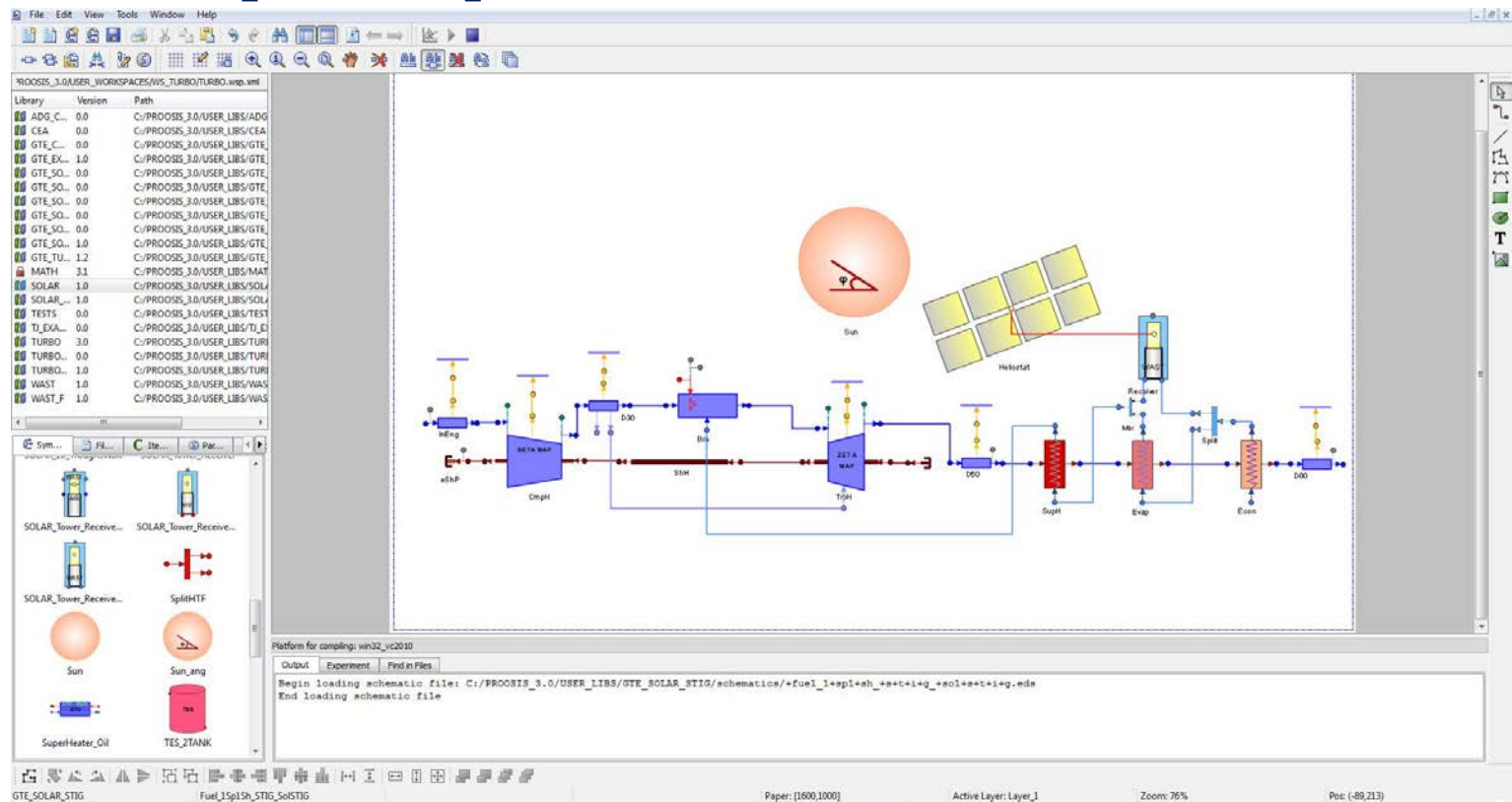
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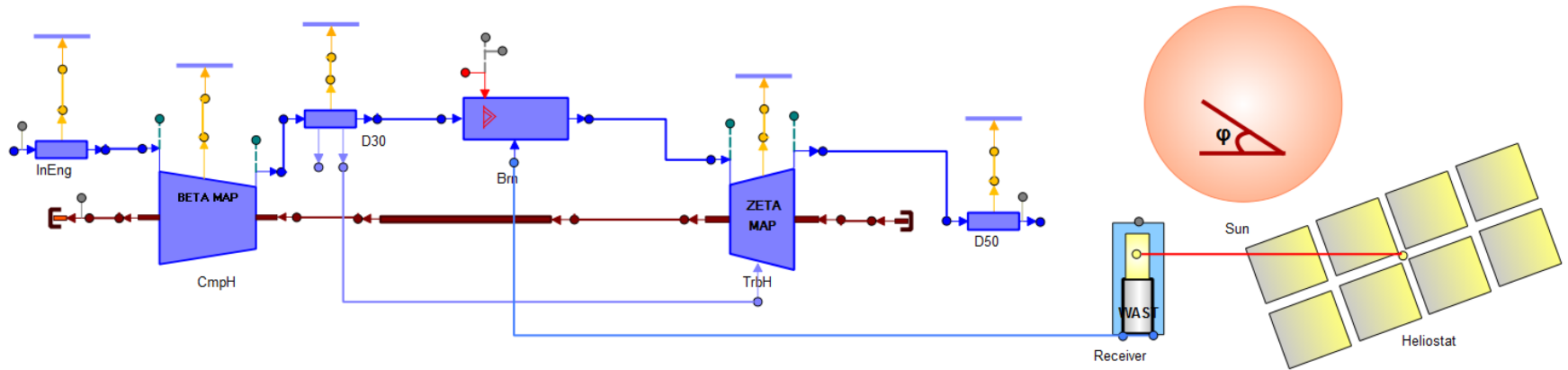
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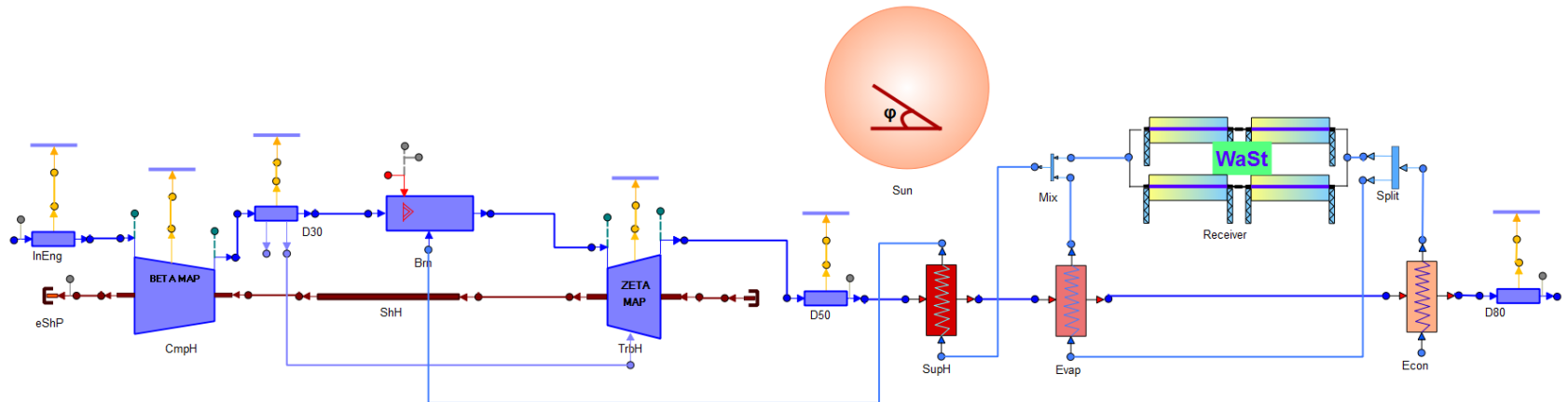
- **Modeling with PROOSIS: an object oriented environment**
- **TURBO: Brayton cycle components**
- **WAST: Rankine cycle components**
- **SOLAR: Solar part components**



# Modeling



## Solar-only STIG



## Solar STIG with troughs

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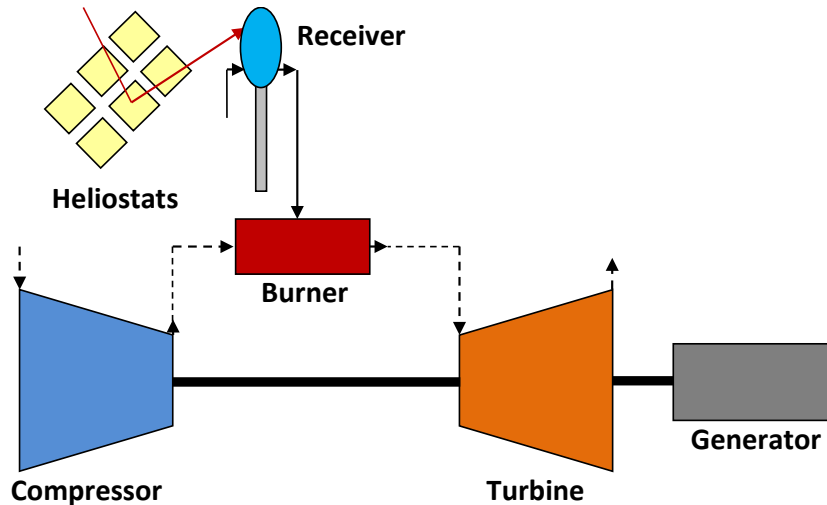
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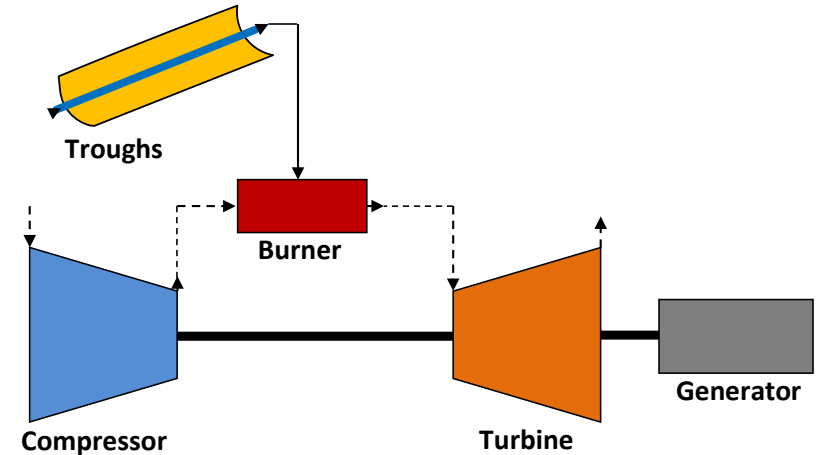
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# Solar Steam Production Method



## • Tower

- Direct steam generation
- Engine on tower
- Used technology for Rankine cycles
- Higher investment cost



## • Troughs

- Direct steam generation
- experimental stage
- Engine on ground
- Lower investment cost

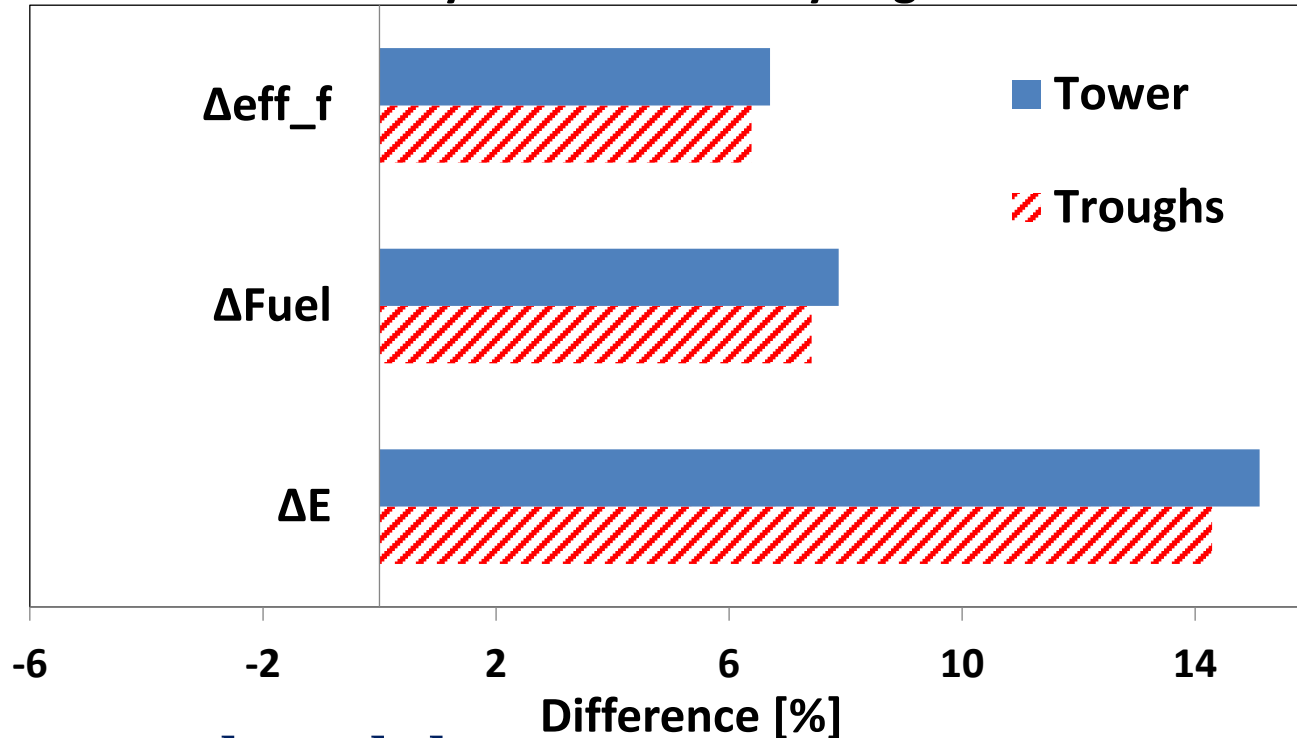


- **Fuel-only engine: 5MW, TIT = 1000°C, PR = 10**
- **Solar field / Water-Steam**
  - **Steam pressure: 35 bar**
  - **Steam temperature: Saturated steam**
  - **Receiver/troughs outlet: SAR=12% @ 800W/m<sup>2</sup> Summer solstice**
- **Operating scenario**
  - **Maximum power → TIT constant**
  - **Yearly continuous baseload operation**
- **Performance simulation**
  - **Hourly simulation → Integration → Annual performance**

# Performance Simulation



## Annual Performance Difference Between Solar-only STIG & Fuel-only Engines



- **Tower less season-dependent**
- **Solar STIG results to**
  - **Augmented produced energy (higher mass flow, composition change)**
  - **Augmented fuel consumption (added mass with higher  $C_p$ )**

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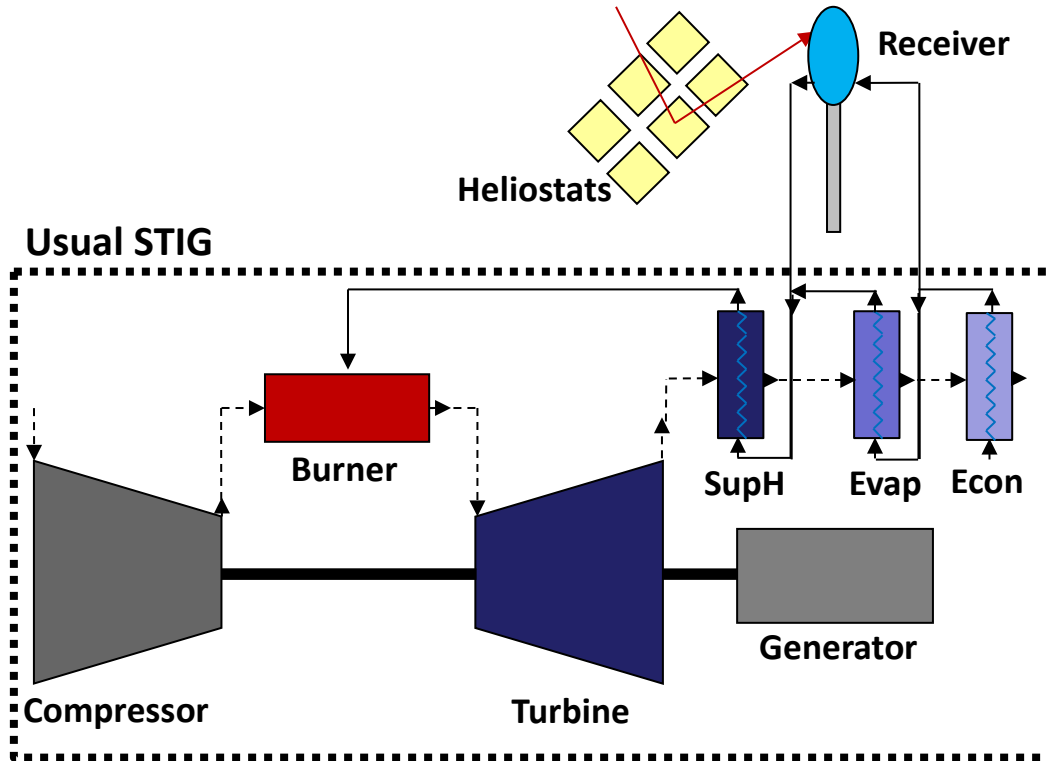
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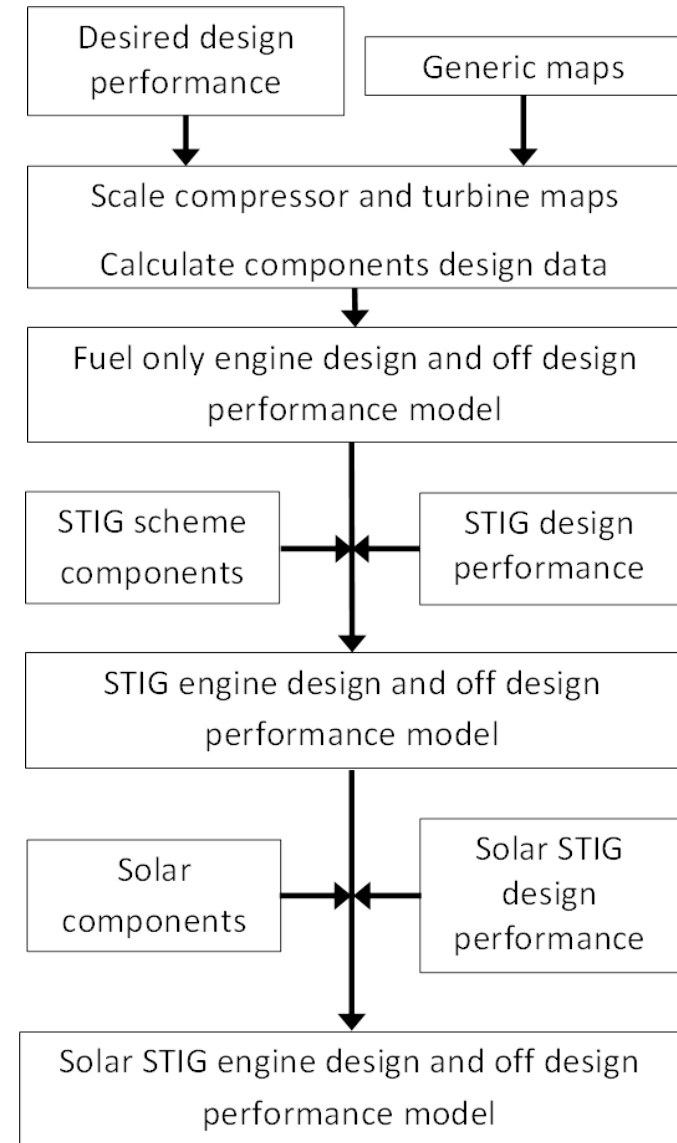
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# Addition Of Solar Steam



1. Fuel-only engine
2. Conventional STIG (+HRSG)
3. Solar STIG (+Solar evaporator)

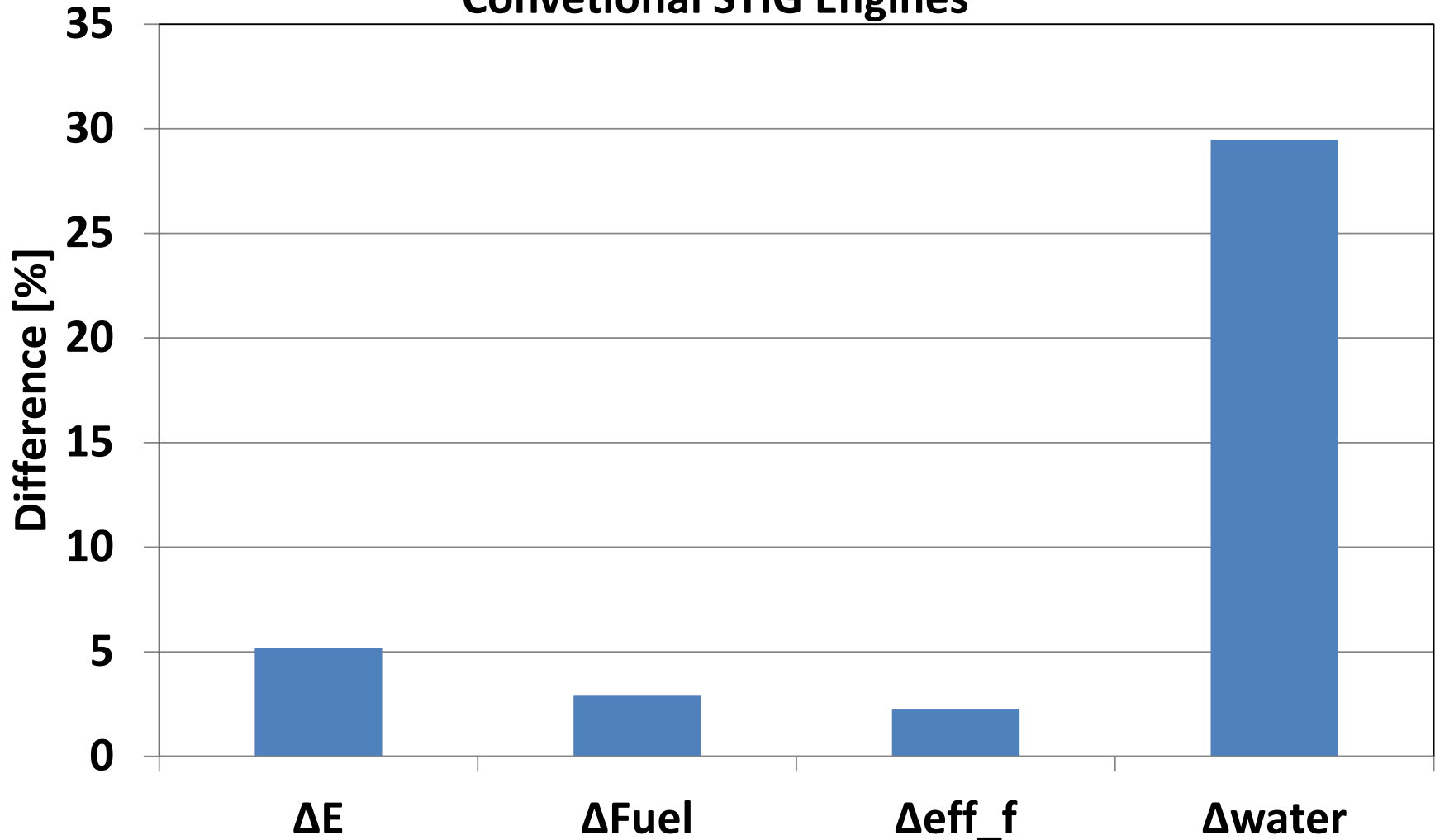


- **Fuel-only engine: 5MW, TIT = 1000°C, PR = 10**
- **Heat Recovery Steam Generator**
  - **Inlet water: 35 bar, 15°C, Outlet steam: 700K**
  - **T<sub>pinch</sub> = 20°C, T<sub>approach</sub> = 15°C**
  - **Water mass flow → Saturated steam @ evaporator outlet & SAR=6%**
- **Heliostat field**
  - **SAR=12% @ 800W/m<sup>2</sup> Summer solstice**
- **Operating scenario**
  - **Maximum power → TIT constant**
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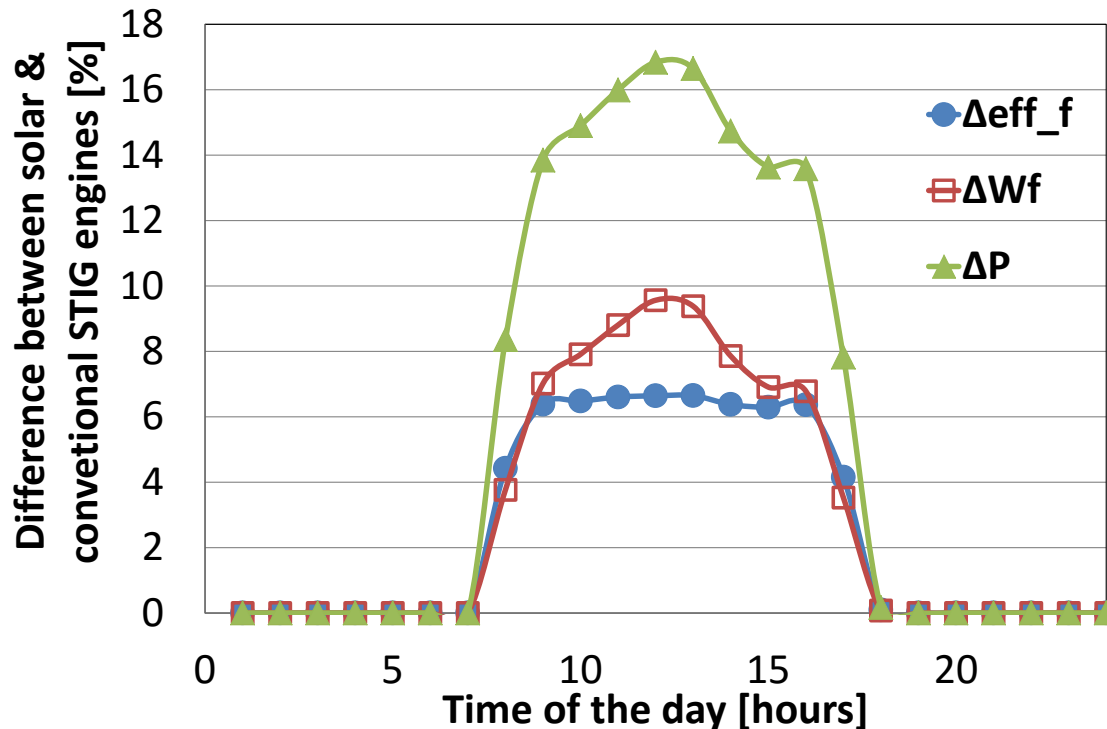
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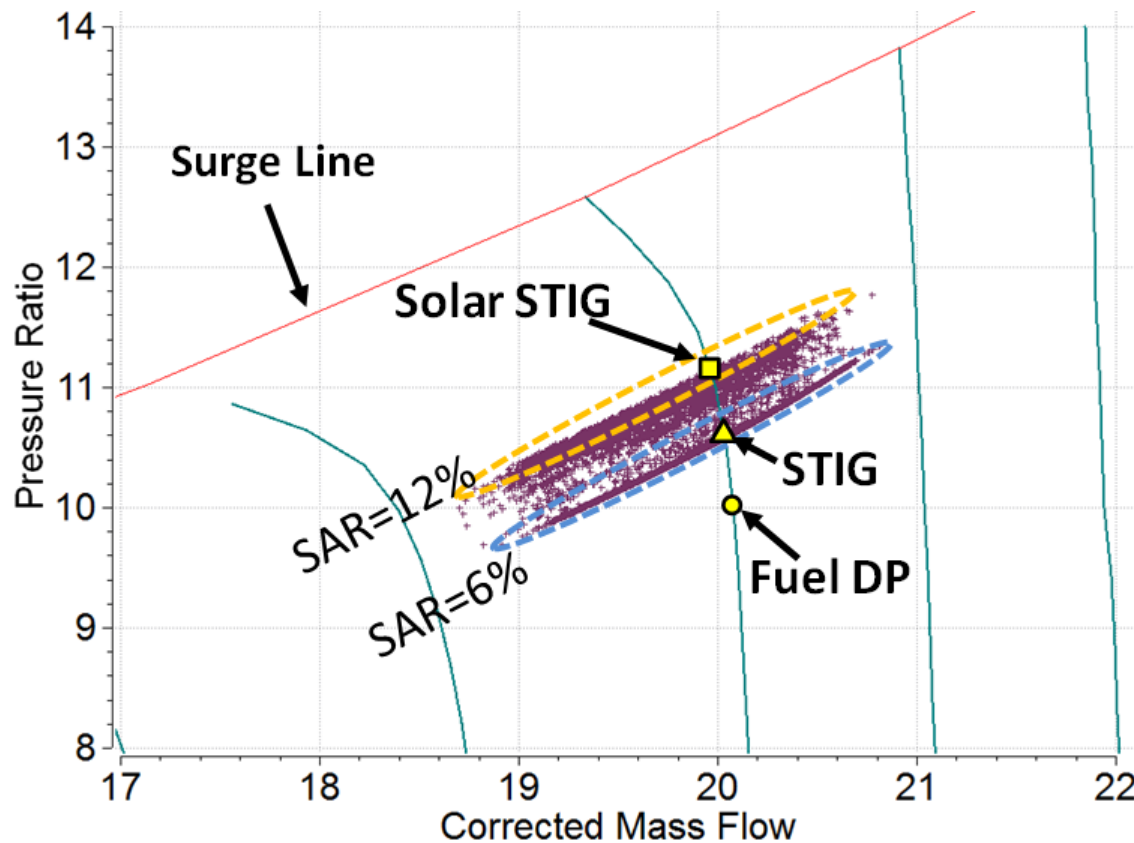
# Performance Simulation



**Performance difference between solar and conventional STIG engines for a winter day**

- Higher energy production, fuel and water consumption
- Similar results if troughs were used (Direct Steam Generation)
- Troughs with oil could be used:
  - Inferior performance (addition of oil-water heat exchanger)
  - Already used technology in commercial state

# Change Of Operating Point



- Steam injection & choked turbine with constant TIT  
→ higher PR
- High SAR may result to surge
- In this study:
  - SAR=6%  
→ SM ↓ ~25% from fuel-only operation
  - SAR=12%  
→ SM ↓ ~50% from fuel-only operation

## Operating Points On Compressors Map



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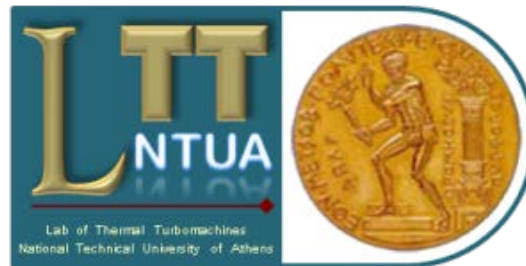
# Summary – Conclusions

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- ❑ **Solar STIG studied as an alternative to conventional solar hybridization**
  - **Based on proven technologies (STIG & solar steam)**
  - **Fewer GT modifications**
  - **Augmented energy production**
- ❑ **Steam generation method: Tower scheme performs better than troughs**
- ❑ **Assessment of performance and operability on addition of solar steam into an already STIG engine**
  - **Produced energy, fuel and water consumption increase**
  - **Surge margin decreases**
  - **Similar results if troughs were used**

**THANK YOU**



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