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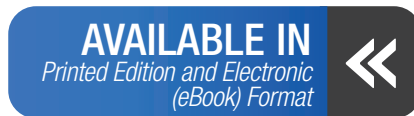
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VERSION	EFFECTIVE DATE	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
001	2016 02	Module Creation and Release
002	2017 11	Module Revisions
003	2019 04	Fine tuned Sub-Module content sequence based on Appendix-A. Updated layout and styling.

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PART-66 and the Acceptable Means of Compliance (AMC) and Guidance Material (GM) of the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Appendix 1 establishes the Basic Knowledge Requirements for those seeking an aircraft maintenance license. The information in this Module of the Aviation Maintenance Technical Certification Series published by Aircraft Technical Book Company meets or exceeds the breadth and depth of knowledge subject matter referenced in Appendix 1 of the Implementing Rules. However, the order of the material presented is at the discretion of the editor in an effort to convey the required knowledge in the most sequential and comprehensible manner. Knowledge levels required for Category A1, B1, B2, and B3 aircraft maintenance licenses remain unchanged from those listed in Appendix 1 Basic Knowledge Requirements. Tables from Appendix 1 Basic Knowledge Requirements are reproduced at the beginning of each module in the series and again at the beginning of each Sub-Module.

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1 000 000 000 000 = 10 ¹²	tera	T
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1 000 000 = 10 ⁶	mega	M
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EASA LICENSE CATEGORY CHART

Module Number and Title		A1 Airplane Turbine	B1.1 Airplane Turbine	B1.2 Airplane Piston	B1.3 Helicopter Turbine	B1.4 Helicopter Piston	B2 Avionics
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GENERAL KNOWLEDGE REQUIREMENTS

MODULE 14 SYLLABUS AS OUTLINED IN PART-66, APPENDIX 1

Level 1

A familiarization with the principal elements of the subject.

Objectives:

- a. The applicant should be familiar with the basic elements of the subject.
- b. The applicant should be able to give a simple description of the whole subject, using common words and examples.
- c. The applicant should be able to use typical terms.

Level 2

A general knowledge of the theoretical and practical aspects of the subject and an ability to apply that knowledge.

Objectives:

- a. The applicant should be able to understand the theoretical fundamentals of the subject.
- b. The applicant should be able to give a general description of the subject using, as appropriate, typical examples.
- c. The applicant should be able to use mathematical formula in conjunction with physical laws describing the subject.
- d. The applicant should be able to read and understand sketches, drawings and schematics describing the subject.
- e. The applicant should be able to apply his knowledge in a practical manner using detailed procedures.

Level 3

A detailed knowledge of the theoretical and practical aspects of the subject and a capacity to combine and apply the separate elements of knowledge in a logical and comprehensive manner.

Objectives:

- a. The applicant should know the theory of the subject and interrelationships with other subjects.
- b. The applicant should be able to give a detailed description of the subject using theoretical fundamentals and specific examples.
- c. The applicant should understand and be able to use mathematical formula related to the subject.
- d. The applicant should be able to read, understand and prepare sketches, simple drawings and schematics describing the subject.
- e. The applicant should be able to apply his knowledge in a practical manner using manufacturer's instructions.
- f. The applicant should be able to interpret results from various sources and measurements and apply corrective action where appropriate.

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- (a) Constructional arrangement and operation of turbojet, turbofan, turboshaft and turbopropeller engines;
- (b) Electronic Engine control and fuel metering systems (FADEC)

1**2*****Sub-Module 02 - Engine Indicating Systems***

Exhaust gas temperature / Interstage turbine temperature systems;
Engine speed;
Engine Thrust Indication: Engine Pressure Ratio, engine turbine discharge pressure or jet pipe pressure systems;
Oil pressure and temperature;
Fuel pressure, temperature and flow;
Manifold pressure;
Engine torque;
Propeller speed.

2***Sub-Module 03 - Starting and Ignition Systems***

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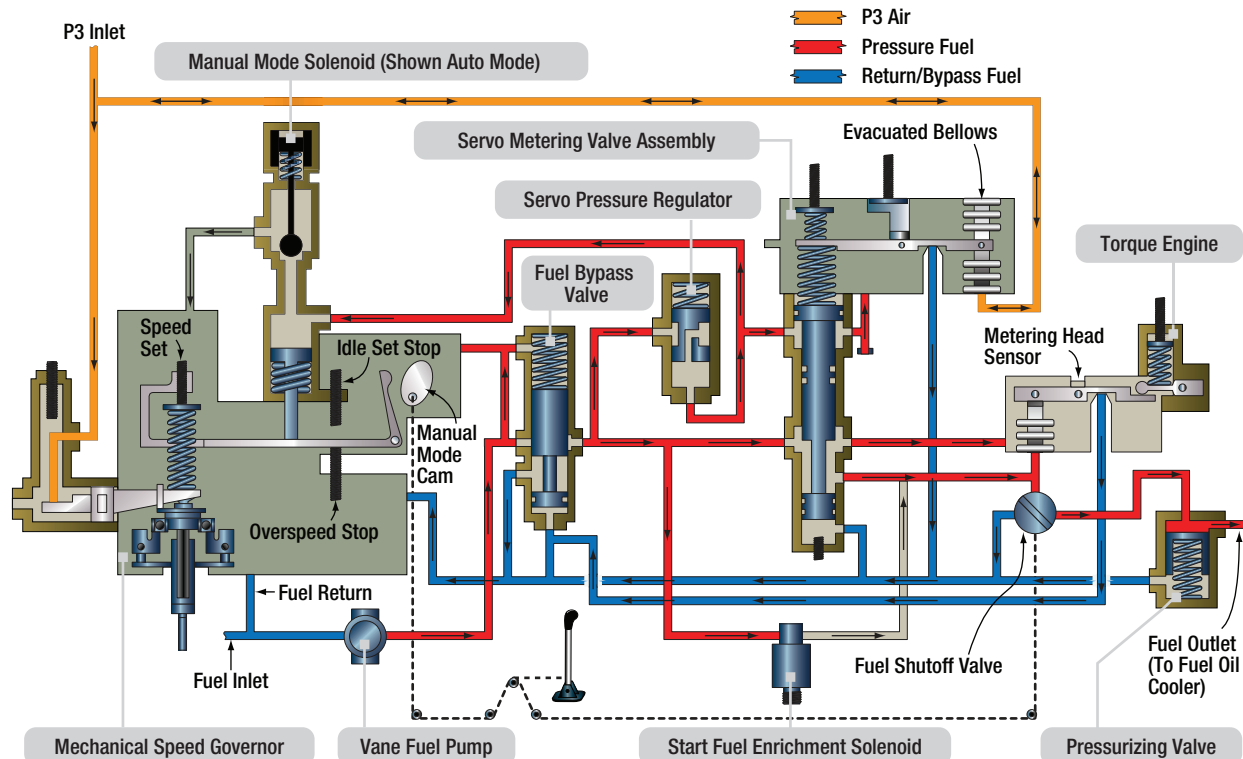


Figure 1-2. Fuel control assembly schematic hydromechanical/electronic.

1. The vane fuel pump assembly is a fixed displacement fuel pump that provides high pressure fuel to the engine fuel control system. (*Figure 1-3*)
2. The filter bypass valve in the fuel pump allows fuel to bypass the fuel filter when the pressure drop across the fuel filter is excessive. An integral differential pressure indicator visually flags an excessive differential pressure condition before bypassing occurs by extending a pin from the fuel filter bowl. Fuel pump discharge flow in excess of that required by the fuel control assembly is returned from the control to the pump interstage.
3. The hydromechanical fuel control assembly provides the fuel metering function of the EFCU.

Fuel is supplied to the fuel control through a 200 micron inlet filter screen and is metered to the engine by the servo operated metering valve. It is a fuel flow/compressor discharge pressure ($Wf/P3$) ratio device that positions the metering valve in response to engine compressor discharge pressure ($P3$). Fuel pressure differential across the servo valve is maintained by the servo operated bypass valve in response to commands from the EFCU. (*Figure 1-2*)



Figure 1-3. Fuel pump and filter.

The manual mode solenoid valve is energized in the automatic mode. The automatic mode restricts operation of the mechanical speed governor. It is restricted to a single overspeed governor setting above the speed range controlled electronically. Deenergizing the manual mode valve enables the mechanical speed governor to function as an all speed governor in response to power lever angle (PLA). The fuel control system includes a low power sensitive torque motor which may be activated to increase or decrease fuel flow in the automatic mode (EFCU)

mode). The torque motor provides an interface to an electronic control unit that senses various engine and ambient parameters and activates the torque motor to meter fuel flow accordingly. This torque motor provides electromechanical conversion of an electrical signal from the EFCU. The torque motor current is zero in the manual mode, which establishes a fixed Wf/P3 ratio.

This fixed Wf/P3 ratio is such that the engine operates surge free and is capable of producing a minimum of 90 percent thrust up to 30 000 feet for this example system. All speed governing of the high pressure spool (gas generator) is achieved by the flyweight governor. The flyweight governor modulates a pneumatic servo, consistent with the speed set point as determined by the power lever angle (PLA) setting. The pneumatic servo accomplishes Wf/P3 ratio modulation to govern the gas generator speed by bleeding down the P3 acting on the metering valve servo. The P3 limiter valve bleeds down the P3 pressure acting in the metering valve servo when engine structural limits are encountered in either control mode. The start fuel enrichment solenoid valve provides additional fuel flow in parallel with the metering valve when required for engine cold starting or altitude restarts. The valve is energized by the EFCU when enrichment is required. It is always deenergized in the manual mode to prevent high altitude sub idle operation.

Located downstream of the metering valve are the manual shutoff and pressurizing valves. The shutoff valve is a rotary unit connected to the power lever. It allows the pilot to direct fuel to the engine manually. The pressurizing valve acts as a discharge restrictor to the hydromechanical control. It functions to maintain minimum operating pressures throughout the control. The pressurizing valve also provides a positive leak tight fuel shutoff to the engine fuel nozzles when the manual valve is closed.

4. The flow divider and drain valve assembly proportions fuel to the engine primary and secondary fuel nozzles. It drains the nozzles and manifolds at engine shutdown. It also incorporates an integral solenoid for modifying the fuel flow for cold starting conditions.

During an engine start, the flow divider directs all flow through the primary nozzles. After start, as the engine fuel demand increases, the flow divider valve opens to allow the secondary nozzles to function. During all steady state engine operation, both primary and secondary nozzles are flowing fuel. A 74 micron, self bypassing screen is located under the fuel inlet fitting and provides last chance filtration of the fuel prior to the fuel nozzles.

5. The fuel manifold assembly is a matched set consisting of both primary and secondary manifolds and the fuel nozzle assemblies.

Twelve fuel nozzles direct primary and secondary fuel through the nozzles causing the fuel to swirl and form a finely atomized spray. The manifold assembly provides fuel routing and atomizing to ensure proper combustion.

The EEC system consists of the hydromechanical fuel control, EFCU, and aircraft mounted power lever angle potentiometer. Aircraft generated control signals include inlet pressure, airstream differential pressure, and inlet temperature plus pilot selection of either manual or auto mode for the EFCU operation. Engine generated control signals include fan spool speed, gas generator spool speed, inner turbine temperature, fan discharge temperature, and compressor discharge pressure. Aircraft and engine generated control signals are directed to the EFCU where these signals are interpreted.

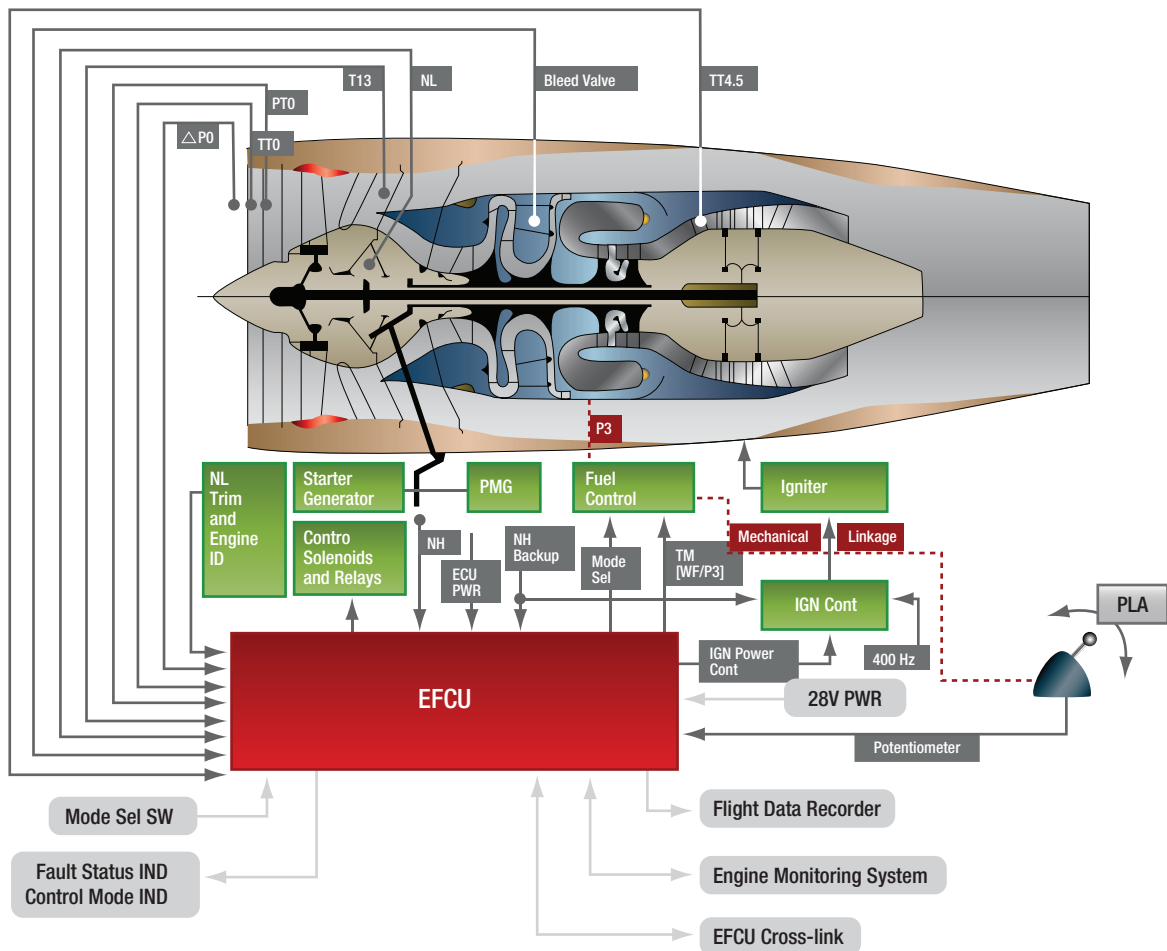
The PLA potentiometer is aircraft mounted in the throttle quadrant. The PLA potentiometer transmits an electrical signal to the EFCU, which represents engine thrust demand in relation to throttle position. If the EFCU determines a power change is required, it commands the torque motor to modulate differential pressure at the head sensor. This change in differential pressure causes the metering valve to move, varying fuel flow to the engine as required. The EFCU also receives a pilot initiated signal (by power lever position) representing engine thrust demand. The EFCU is programmed to recognize predetermined engine operating limits and to compute output signals such that these operating limits are not exceeded.

The EFCU is remotely located and airframe mounted. An interface between the EFCU and aircraft/engine is provided through the branched wiring harness assembly. (Figure 1-4)

FADEC FUEL CONTROL SYSTEMS

A full authority digital electronic control (FADEC) has been developed to control fuel flow on most new turbine engine models. A true FADEC system has no hydromechanical fuel control backup system. The system uses electronic sensors that feed engine

parameter information into the EEC. The EEC gathers the needed information to determine the amount of fuel flow and transmits it to a fuel metering valve. The fuel metering valve simply reacts to the commands from the EEC. The EEC is the computing section of the fuel delivery system and the metering valve meters the fuel flow. FADEC systems are used on many turbine engines from APUs to the largest propulsion engines.



SYMBOLS	
NH	Core Spool Speed
NL	Fan Spool Speed
PT0	Free Stream Total Pressure
PLA	Power Lever Angle
TT0	Total Temperature
T4.5	Interturbine Temperature
T13	Fan Exit Air Temperature
△ P	Indicated Airspeed

Engine Control System

Figure 1-4. Engine control system.

FADEC for an Auxiliary Power Unit

The first example system is an APU engine that uses the aircraft fuel system to supply fuel to the fuel control. An electric boost pump may be used to supply fuel under pressure to the control. The fuel usually passes through an aircraft shutoff valve that is tied to the fire detecting/ extinguishing system. An aircraft furnished inline fuel filter may also be used. Fuel entering the fuel control unit first passes through a 10 micron filter. If the filter becomes contaminated, the resulting pressure drop opens the filter bypass valve and unfiltered fuel then is supplied to the APU. Shown in *Figure 1-5* is a pump with an inlet pressure access plug so that a fuel pressure gauge might be installed for troubleshooting purposes. Fuel then enters a positive displacement, gear type pump. Upon discharge from the pump, the fuel passes through a 70 micron screen. The screen is installed at this point to filter any wear debris that might be discharged from the pump element. From the screen, fuel branches to the metering valve, differential pressure valve, and the ultimate relief valve. Also shown at this point is a pump discharge pressure access plug, another point where a pressure gauge might be installed.

The differential pressure valve maintains a constant pressure drop across the metering valve by bypassing fuel to the pump inlet so that metered flow is proportional

to metering valve area. The metering valve area is modulated by the torque motor, which receives variable current from the ECU. The ultimate relief valve opens to bypass excess fuel back to the pump inlet whenever system pressure exceeds a predetermined pressure. This occurs during each shutdown since all flow is stopped by the shutoff valve and the differential pressure valve, is unable to bypass full pump capacity. Fuel flows from the metering valve out of the fuel control unit (FCU), through the solenoid shutoff valve and on to the atomizer. Initial flow is through the primary nozzle tip only. The flow divider opens at higher pressure and adds flow through the secondary path.

FADEC for Propulsive Engines

Many large high bypass turbofan engines use the FADEC type of fuel control system. The EEC is the primary component of the FADEC engine fuel control system. The EEC is a computer that controls the operation of the engine. The EEC housing contains two electronic channels (two separate computers) that are physically separated internally and are naturally cooled by convection. The EEC is generally placed in an area of the engine nacelle that is cool during engine operation. It attaches to the lower left fan case with shock mounts. (*Figure 1-6*)

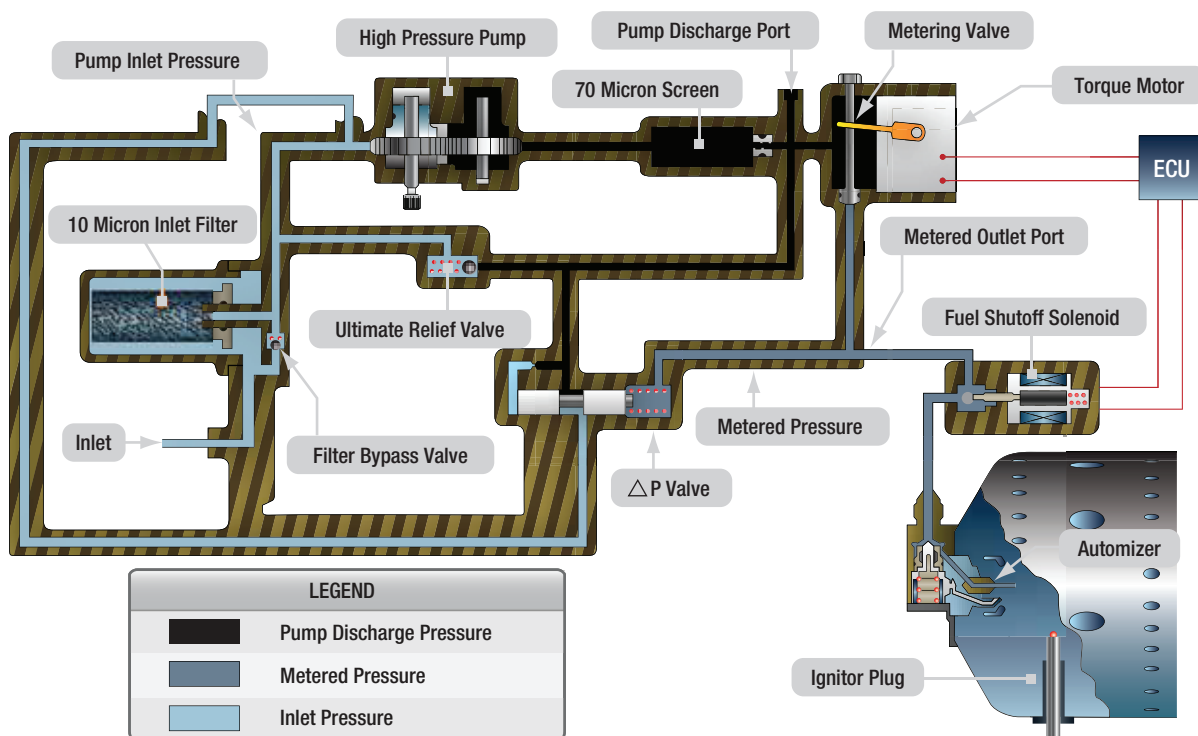


Figure 1-5. APU fuel system schematic.