

Performance engine preparation

Effective compression ratio

- Calculation based on the volume at IVC
- $$\frac{\text{Piston displacement @ IVC} + \text{clearance volume}}{\text{Clearance volume}}$$
- Limited to about 7:1 with pump gasoline & 100% VE
- Can be higher with VE lower than 100%
- Can be higher with Aluminum heads

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Effective compression ratio (cont.)

- Why high compression pistons?

To keep intake valves open longer

Maintain the same effective compression ratio

Volumetric efficiency improves

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Effective compression ratio with cam specs

- Use cam specs to determine IVC point
- Determine rod ratio \Rightarrow Rod length / stroke length
- Determine percent of total cylinder volume at IVC
- Multiply percent by total cylinder volume
- Calculate effective compression ratio

- Show examples from EA Pro