Megasquirt® and the '02

A great fit for the BMW 2002 and it's easier than you think

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- The objective of this tech session is to
 - Give you <u>basic</u> information about Megasquirt[®]
 and its application to the BMW 2002 M10
 - Encourage you to take the plunge if you've been thinking about it
 - Describe some options for implementation, and answer your questions
 - Tell you what you need and where you can get it

Agenda

- What is Megasquirt®?
- Why Megasquirt®?
- How it Works
- Getting Started
- What you need
- Where to get what you need
- Configuring
- Tuning
- Q&A

But first...

- Who are Tom and John, and what are their qualifications?
 - Tom and John are regular guys who like cars, and like to work on them
 - We have no previous automotive expertise
 - We don't have particular knowledge that would have been helpful prior to tackling our projects
 - If we can do it so can you!

Our Cars...





What is Megasquirt®

- MegaSquirt[®] is a Do-It-Yourself universal programmable electronic fuel injection controller for internal combustion engines.
- Megasquirt® is easily configured to control fuel delivery and spark timing for the BMW 2002 M10 engine

Why Megasquirt®?

- Get the best of both worlds
 - High Performance
 - Excellent Fuel Economy
- Easy to tune and optimize to your particular configuration
- Inexpensive compared to proprietary fuel injection systems
- Well suited to the hobbyist A real DIY system, with a large support community

Why Not Megasquirt®?

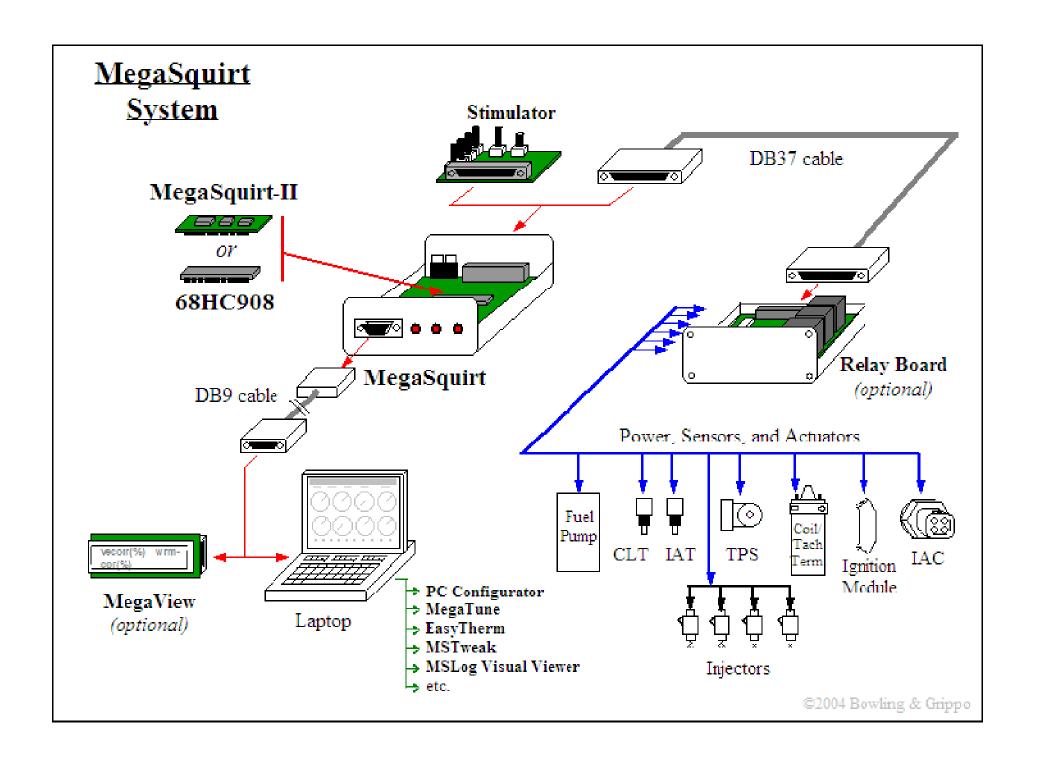
- Megasquirt® may not be for you. Do you see yourself here?
 - I'm a traditionalist. BMW reached its pinnacle in 1973 and has been going downhill ever since
 - I love tuning carburetors. I especially enjoy purchasing, collecting and swapping jets, and adjusting mechanical chokes
 - My only use for a computer is to read and post on the 2002 FAQ
 - Reading technical manuals puts me to sleep within 5 minutes
- If this is NOT you, Megasquirt® and your '02 may be a good match!

How Megasquirt® Works

- The basic concept is that the ECU gathers information about how much oxygen is available for a given cylinder charge, then it injects the appropriate amount of fuel to achieve the desired Air to Fuel Ratio (AFR).
 - Volumetric efficiency (VE)
 - Your engine is an air pump. VE is a measure of how efficient the engine is with regard to filling the combustion chamber with a charge of fuel and air
 - Intake Air Temperature (IAT)
 - Air density goes down as temperature rises. IAT is one factor used by the ECU to calculate how much fuel to deliver
 - Manifold Absolute Pressure (MAP)
 - Air density increases as pressure rises. High pressure (atmospheric) indicates a Wide Open Throttle (WOT) condition
 - RPM
 - The faster the engine is turning, the more fuel it needs

How Megasquirt® Works

- Megasquirt® can also control your spark advance in a way that is superior to a distributor
 - A distributor advances spark only as a function of RPM, with an adjustment for MAP (if you have a vacuum advance or retard)
 - Megasquirt® can advance or retard your spark as a function of RPM and MAP, and is tunable in a 12X12 grid
 - With Megasquirt[®], you can tune your ignition timing on the fly. No re-curving. You optimize to every condition (Wide Open Throttle, freeway cruising, etc.)



Other Useful Capabilities

- Idle Air Control
 - Your '02 can start quickly with a stable idle regardless of the temperature
- Rev Limiter
 - Extremely useful! Especially during break-in
- X-Tau
 - A modern algorithm to enrich at throttle tip-in (more efficient than Accel Enrichment)
- Electric Fan Control
 - You set the on-off temperature parameters to exactly what you want
- Fuel cut-off
 - The system will turn off the fuel pump after three seconds if the engine isn't turning

Getting Started

Preparing your car

- Battery relocation
 - In general, it's a good idea to move your battery to the trunk or under the back seat to make more room for air intake
- Electric Fuel Pump
 - The in-tank fuel pump from a E-30 318is is ideal
- Return Fuel Line (early cars)
 - The early cars don't have a return fuel line. The common practice is to add a stainless steel line for the main feed and use the original line for the return
 - Tricky to bend and install! Take your time, buy extra material
 - You most likely will need to weld a fitting to the gas tank
- O2 Sensor
 - You'll need to weld a bung onto your header or downpipe

Getting Started

Decide where you're going to install your ECU Relay Board,
 Wideband O2 controller, EDIS controller and coil pack

Other:

- Now is a good time to consider whether you're going to install an electric fan, upgrade your headlights, install that amp and subwoofer and all that stuff
- This will make your wiring much easier, which will lead to a cleaner install, and fewer opportunities for mistakes. Ask me how I know...

Auxiliary Fuse box

 Not usually necessary if you're using a relay board, but consider future electrical needs

Fabrication

- Toothed Wheel
 - If you are going to use EDIS, you need to mount a toothed wheel on your crank pulley.
- VR Sensor Mount
 - needed for EDIS
- Throttle Position Sensor Adapter
 - There is no Variable TPS that will fit directly on to the 318i or 325i throttle body, so you'll need to fabricate or purchase an adapter
- Throttle Linkage
 - Various ways to approach this

Fortunately, if you're not inclined to make these parts, you can source them from Tom at 02Again

The Basic Parts

E30 parts:

- 318i manifold
- Fuel rail
- Fuel pressure regulator
- Water neck (for the extra sensor bung)
- Coolant bypass tube
- Throttle body and boot (58mm from an M20 is better!)
- Fuel pump (the one from the later M42 318is is best)
- While you are at it, you might want to get a battery cable and terminal, and the 80A alternator and brackets

The Basic Parts

- Megasquirt® ECU (MS II 3.57 recommended but not essential)
- Relay board (recommended but not essential)
- "Stimulator" (to test your MS II recommended by the experts)
- Wiring kit (or you can make your own)
- O2 sensor (Wideband such as Innovate LC1 is HIGHLY recommended)
- Air Temperature sensor (GM sensor requires no calibration)
- Fuel Injectors (sizing discussed later)
- Variable Throttle Position Sensor and adapter
- EDIS-4 kit (optional)
 - VR sensor
 - Toothed wheel
 - Coil pack
- Fuel Pump Block Off and Distributor Block-off
- Optional:
 - Idle Air Control body and stepper motor or Bosch Fast Idle solenoid valve

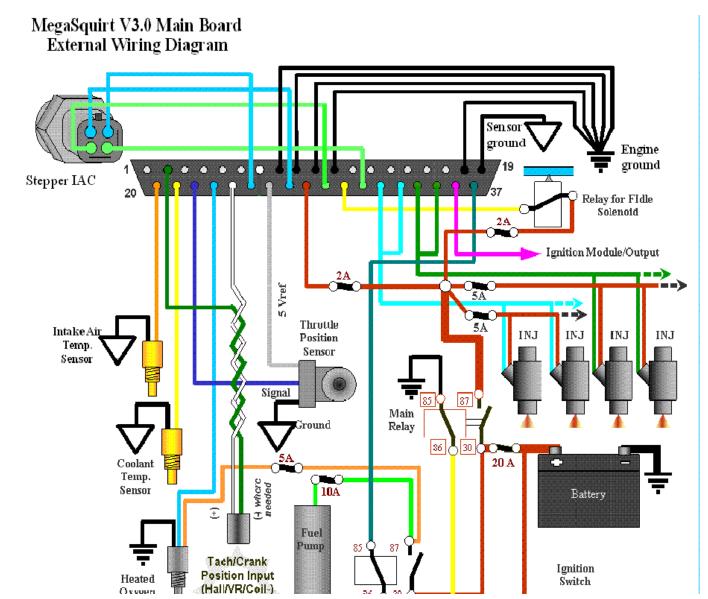
Other Stuff

- You also need a laptop and a tuning cable, and if you have a newer laptop, a USB to serial adapter
- Miscellaneous stuff:
 - Wire Strippers
 - Heatshrink tubing
 - Crimpers
 - Connectors
 - Soldering Iron
 - Extra wire
 - etc. etc.

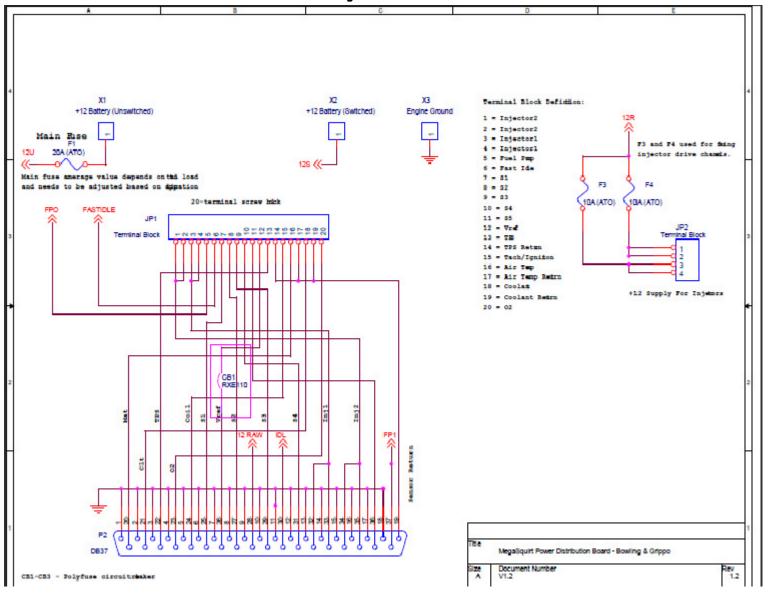
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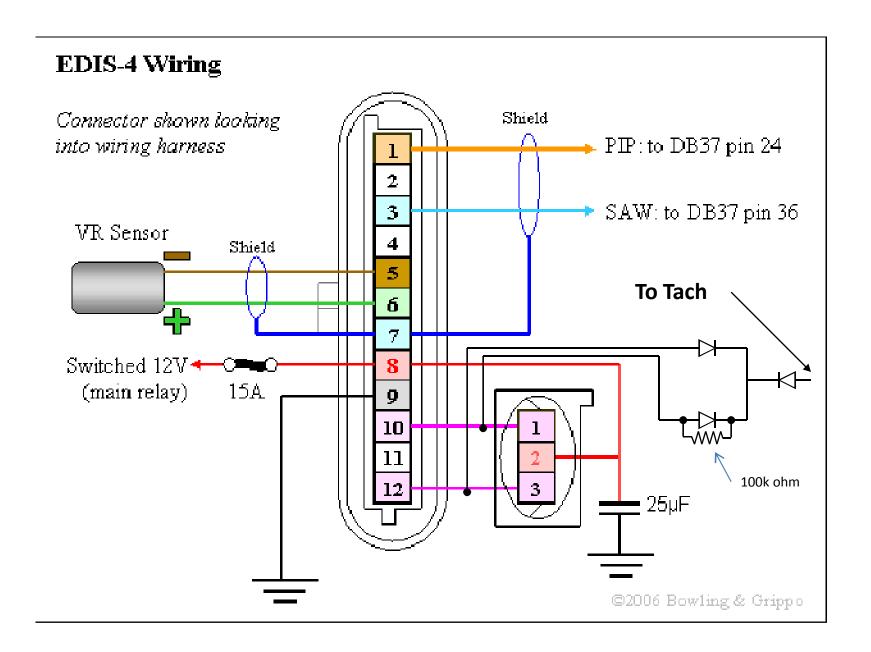
- 02Again
 - Tom Rafalski is assembling a Megasquirt® One-Stop Shop for the BMW 2002. Block off plates, adapters, toothed wheel mounted on a pulley, IAC body etc. etc. Tom can also provide the ECU, Relay board etc.
- DIYAutotune
 - A great source for the ECU, Relay Board, Wide-Band O2 sensor and controller, wiring and other bits and pieces. Outstanding technical support
- Five-0-Motorsport
 - Fuel injectors
- Boost Engineering
 - EDIS -4 Kits
- Pick-a-Part
 - E30 Parts
 - Fuel Injectors
 - EDIS-4

Wiring



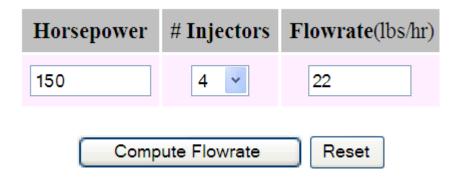
Relay Board





Configuration

- Injector Sizing
 - Use the Megamanual



- High Impedence Injectors is recommended for simplicity
 - Don't have to mess with PWM, resistors or fly-back board

Configuration

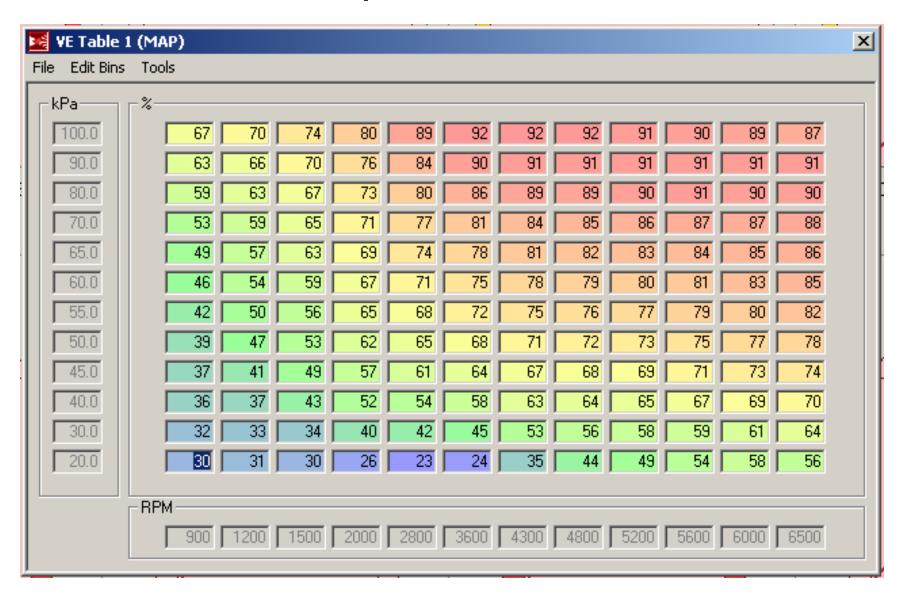
- Start with the Megamanual
 - "MegaTune for MS-II v2.8"
 - This section will walk you through the configuration step by step using MegaTune software
 - MegaTune is the software that runs on your laptop that will assist you to build and tune your configuration
 - You can also start with another user's .msq file
 - You still need to walk through step by step to ensure that the file is appropriate for your unique configuration



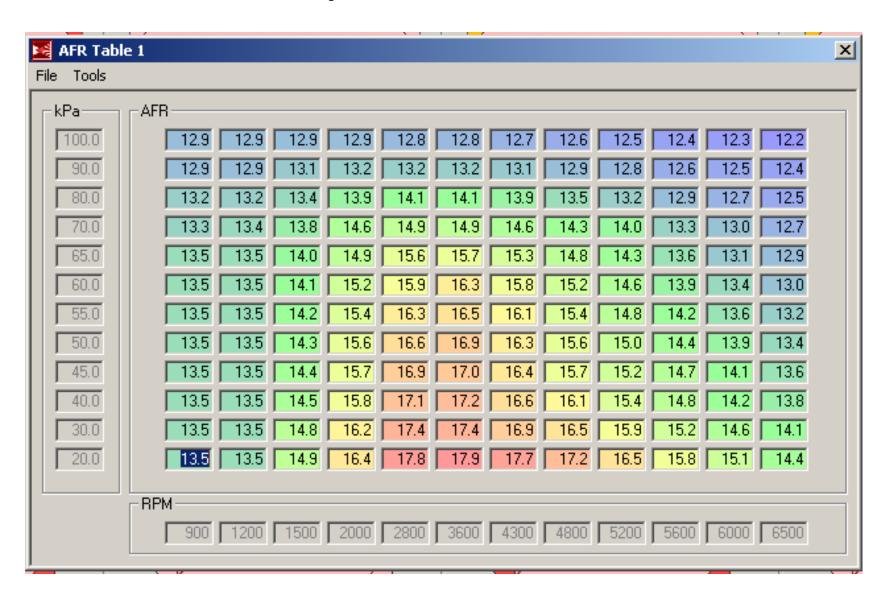
Basic Tables

- The basic tables are
 - VE (Volumetric Efficiency)
 - AFR (Air/Fuel Ratio)
 - Spark Advance
- Other Tables
 - Temperature Values (used for afterstart enrichment, IAC, Priming Pulse, Cranking Pulsewidth etc.)
 - Priming Pulse
 - Cranking Pulsewidth
 - Afterstart percentage and taper

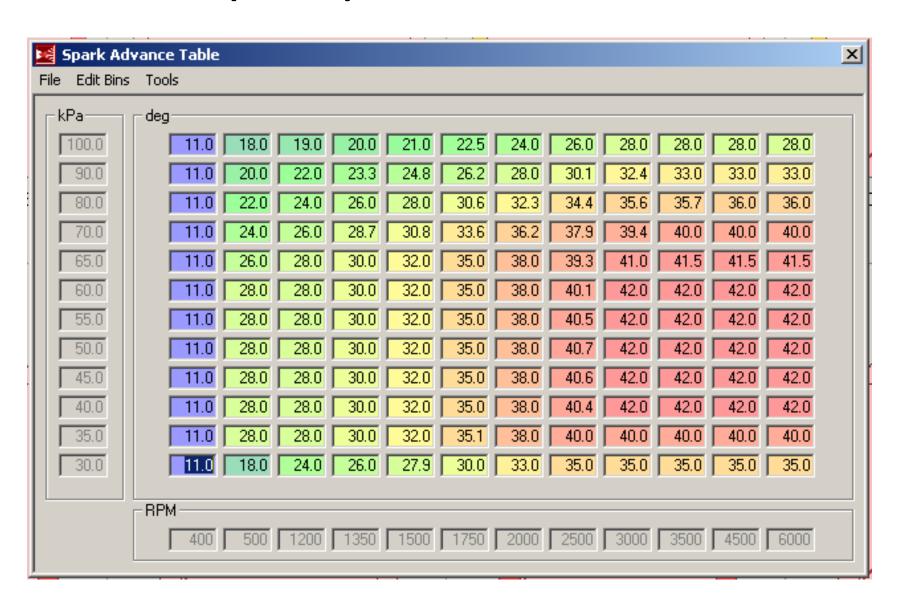
Sample VE Table



Sample AFR Table

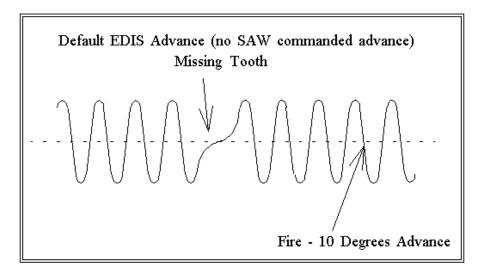


Sample Spark Advance Table



Start-Up and Tuning

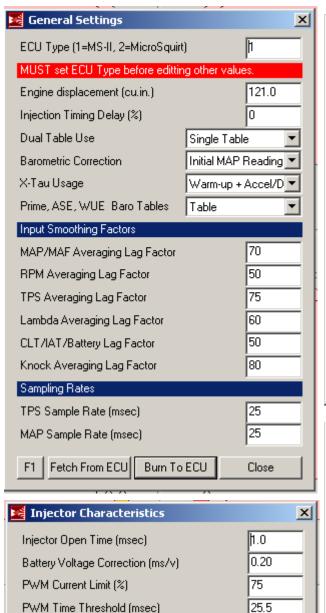
- Verify timing
 - Check VR sensor signal polarity the VR sensor output falls from a positive to a negative polarity



 You can do this by lining up a tooth on the sensor, then rotating the engine while monitoring the voltage with a voltmeter

Start-Up and Tuning

- Calibrate Coolant and Air Intake sensor if not using GM sensor
- Calibrate TPS
- Configure O2 Sensor Controller
- Get the car to start and idle
- Go easy while calibrating your VE table
 - Use the Megalog Viewer program to calibrate your VE table
 - Once you have your VE table somewhat refined, you can start tweaking things
 - Try X-Tau before messing around too much with Accel Enrichment
- READ THE MEGAMANUAL
- ASK QUESTIONS



Injector PWM Period (µsec)

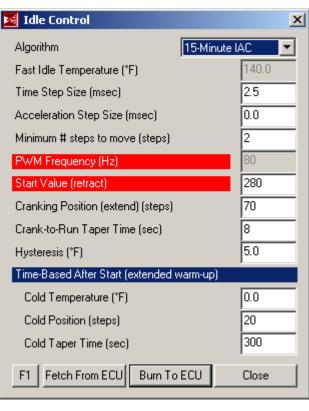
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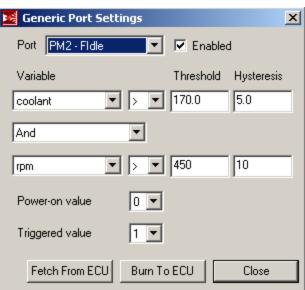
Red settings require an MS-II reboot!

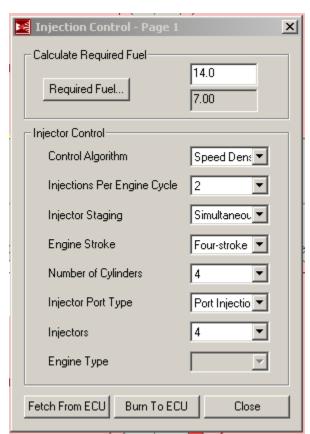
Burn To ECU

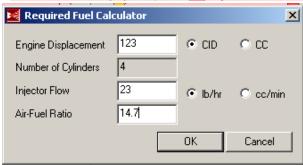
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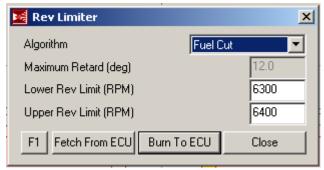
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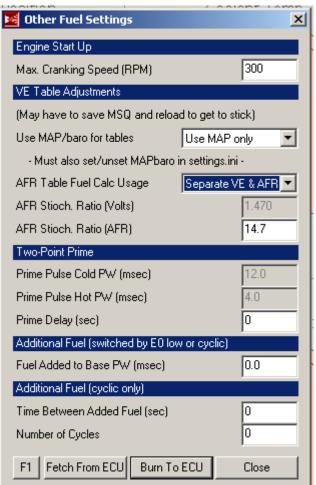


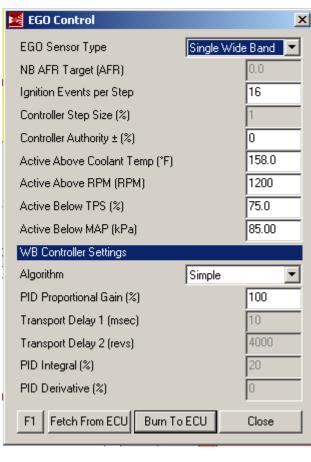


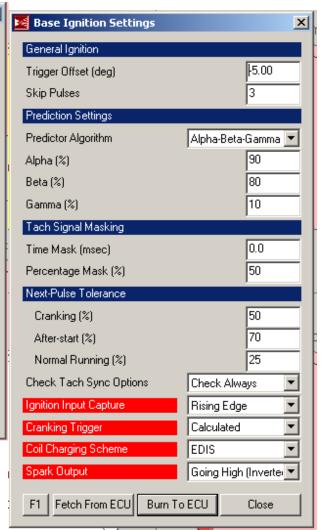


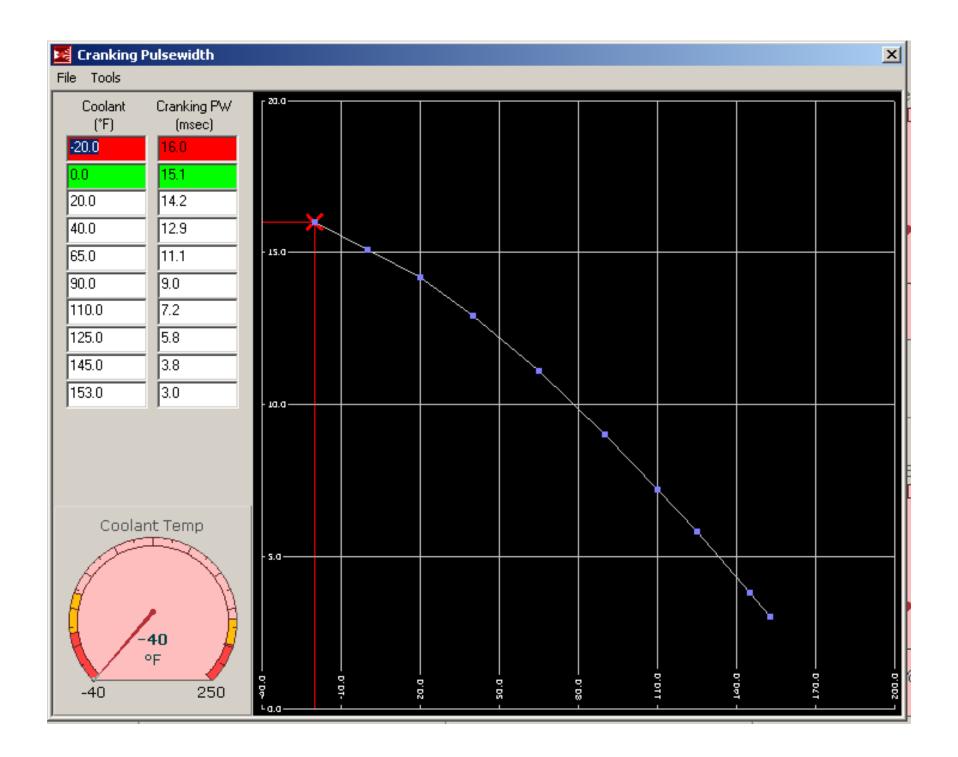


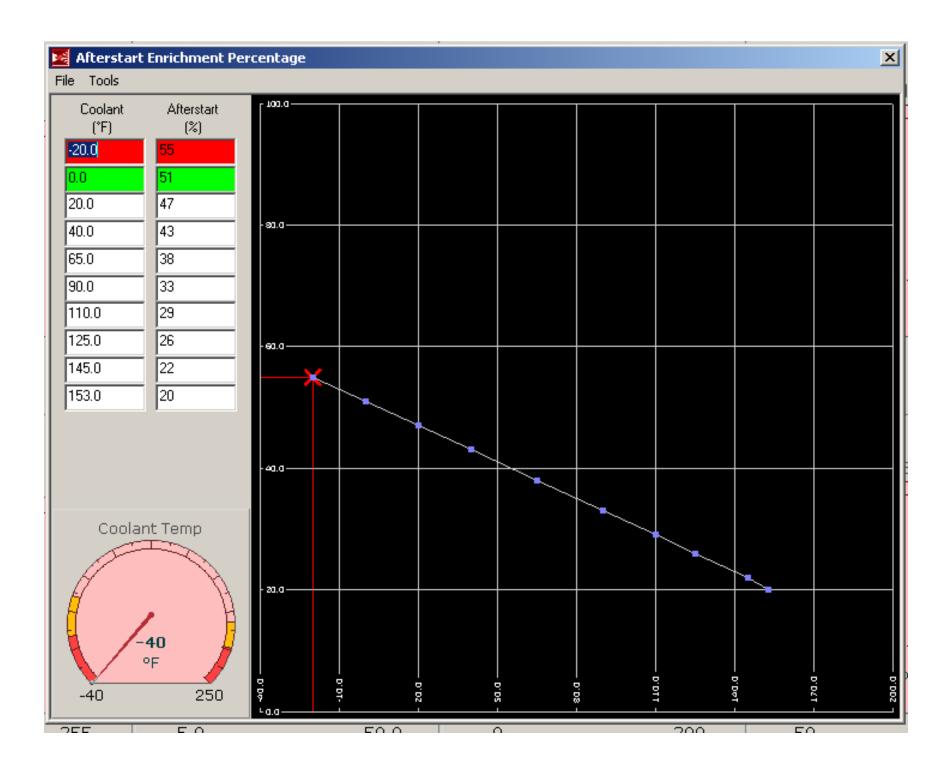


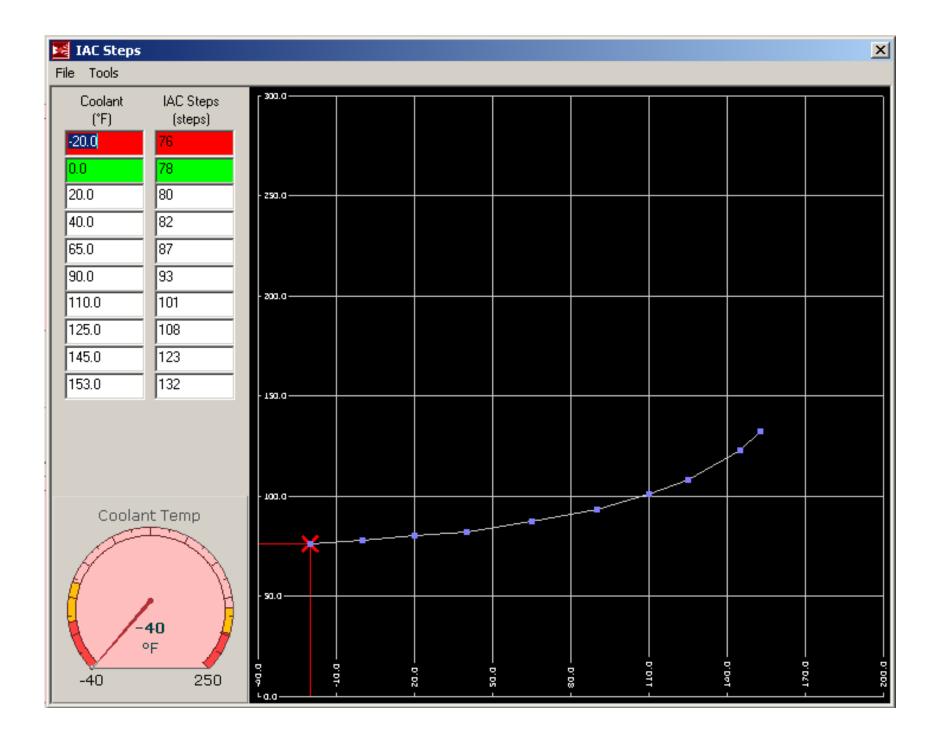


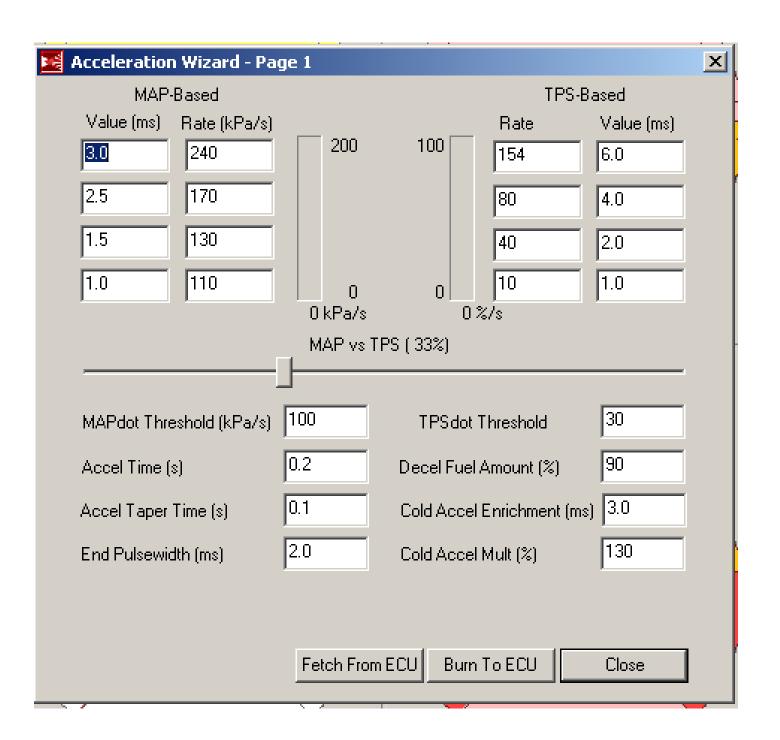


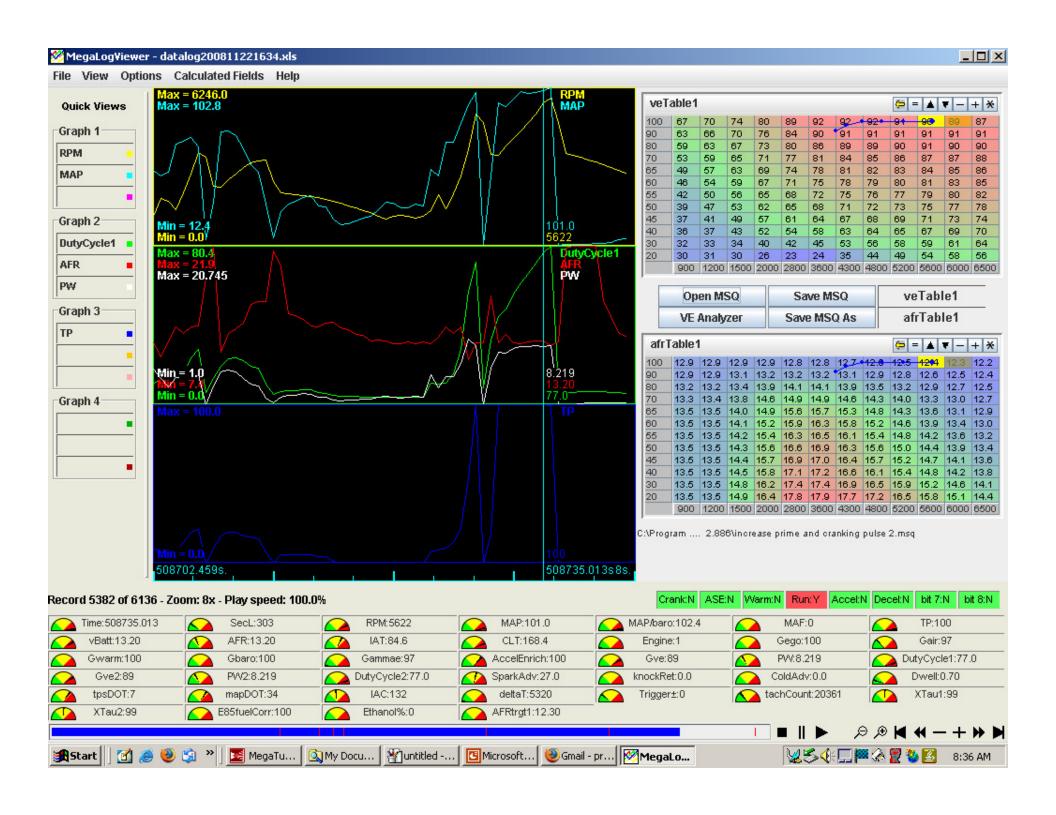












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