

Title (en)
Exhaust gas purifying system of internal combustion engine

Title (de)
Abgasreinigungssystem für eine Brennkraftmaschine

Title (fr)
Système de purification de gaz d'échappement d'un moteur à combustion interne

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Abstract (en)
A catalyst is installed in an exhaust passage of an internal combustion engine. The catalyst is of a type that traps and stores NOx in the exhaust gas when the air/fuel ratio of the exhaust gas is higher than the stoichiometric ratio and reduces the stored NOx with the aid of reducing components in the exhaust gas when the air/fuel ratio of the exhaust gas is equal to or lower than the stoichiometric ratio. A detector detects operation load of the engine. A control unit includes a microprocessor that is programmed to carry out calculating the amount of the stored NOx when the air/fuel ratio of the exhaust gas is higher than the stoichiometric ratio; judging whether or not the catalyst needs recovering of the NOx-storing ability thereof in accordance with the calculated amount of the stored NOx; determining the amount of NOx to be reduced in accordance with the engine load detected by the detector; and carrying out a catalyst recovering control when the need of recovering the NOx-storing ability is judged. The catalyst recovering control is a control to keep the air/fuel ratio of the exhaust gas at a predetermined lower ratio for a predetermined period. <IMAGE>

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