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Technological level: Intermediate

Programming level: Junior +

Technologies used: Python 3.10 | PyCharm | Linux | OpenOffice

Description of the problem: The single-stage space rocket is propelled by liquid hydrogen and oxygen, while the propellants of the two two-stage rockets are LH-LOX (liquid oxygen and hydrogen) and kerosene, respectively. The masses of the rockets should be compared.

1. total mass the same for both rockets;
2. the specific impulse is the same for both rockets;
3. design factors the same for both rockets;
4. I Space velocity: $V_I = 7785 \text{ m/s}$
5. Loss of speed: $\Delta V_{loss} = 2056 \text{ m/s}$
6. Payload weight: $m_{pw} = 1285 \text{ kg}$
7. Construction factor: $\varepsilon = 0.08$

Solving the task:

Single-stage rocket_{LH2-LO2}

Exhaust gas velocity: $w = 4500 \text{ m/s}$

Total speed increase: $\Delta V = V_I + \Delta V_{loss}$

weight of construction: $m_w = m_{pw} \frac{(x-1)}{1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - x}$, $x = e^{(\Delta v/w)}$

fuel weight: $m_f = \frac{m_w}{\varepsilon}$

gross weight: $m_{g1} = m_w + m_f$

Two-stage rocket_{LH2-LO2}

Exhaust gas velocity: $w = 4500 \text{ m/s}$

Total speed increase: $\Delta V_I = \frac{\Delta V}{2}$, $\Delta V_{II} = \frac{\Delta V}{2}$

Second stage:

$$x_{II2} = e^{(\Delta v_{II}/w)} , \quad m_{II2} = m_{pw} , \quad m_{KII} = m_{II2} \frac{(x_{II2}-1)}{1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - x_{II2}} , \quad m_{PII} = \frac{m_{KII}}{\varepsilon} , \quad m_{gII} = m_{KII} + m_{PII}$$

First stage:

$$x_{I1} = e^{(\Delta v_I/w)} , \quad m_{I1} = m_{pw} + m_{qII} , \quad m_{KI} = m_{I1} \frac{(x_{I1}-1)}{1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - x_{I1}} , \quad m_{PI} = \frac{m_{KI}}{\varepsilon} , \quad m_{gI} = m_{KI} + m_{PI}$$

Two-stage rocket_{kerosene_LO2}

Exhaust gas velocity: $w = 3200 \text{ m/s}$

Total speed increase: $\Delta V_I = \frac{\Delta V}{2}$, $\Delta V_{II} = \frac{\Delta V}{2}$

Second stage:

$$x_{II2} = e^{(\Delta v_{II}/w)} , \quad m_{II2} = m_{pw} , \quad m_{KII} = m_{II2} \frac{(x_{II2} - 1)}{1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - x_{II2}} , \quad m_{fII} = \frac{m_{KII}}{\varepsilon} , \quad m_{gII} = m_{KII} + m_{fII}$$

First stage:

$$x_{I1} = e^{(\Delta v_I/w)} , \quad m_{I1} = m_{pw} + m_{qII} , \quad m_{KI} = m_{I1} \frac{(x_{I1} - 1)}{1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} - x_{I1}} , \quad m_{fI} = \frac{m_{KI}}{\varepsilon} , \quad m_{gI} = m_{KI} + m_{fI}$$

Summary:

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A = single_stage_rocket mass: 28912.5 [kg]
B = twoVER1_stage_rocket: 15917.645 [kg]
C = twoVER2_stage_rocket: 54097.812 [kg]
ratio A / B = 1.816
ratio C / B = 3.399
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Conclusions:

1. A two-stage rocket has less mass for the same speed gain;
2. A rocket powered by liquid hydrogen and oxygen is lighter than the same rocket powered by kerosene and liquid oxygen

Code:

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class Missile:

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def __init__(self, vl, dv_loss, m_pw, epsilon):
    self.vl = vl
    self.dv_loss = dv_loss
    self.m_pw = m_pw
    self.epsilon = epsilon

def single_stage_rocket(self):
    self.DV = self.vl + self.dv_loss
    self.mw = m_pw * (((1 / 0.128) + 1) - 1) / (1 - ((1 / 0.128) + 1) + (1 / self.epsilon)))
    self.mf = self.mw / self.epsilon
    self.q1 = self.mw + self.mf
    return round(self.q1, 3)

def twoVER1_stage_rocket(self):
    # Second stage
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self.DV1 = (self.vl + self.dv_loss) / 2
self.kll = m_pw * ((1.966 / (1 - 2.966 + (1 / self.epsilon))))
self.mfl = self.kll / self.epsilon
self.qll = self.kll + self.mfl
# First stage
self.kl = (m_pw + self.qll) * ((1.966 / (1 - 2.966 + (1 / self.epsilon))))
self.mfl = self.kl / self.epsilon
self.ql = self.kl + self.mfl
# sumary mass
self.ms = m_pw + self.ql + self.qll
return round(self.ms, 3)

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def twoVER2_stage_rocket(self):
    # Second stage
    self.DV1 = (self.vl + self.dv_loss) / 2
    self.kllk = m_pw * ((3.613 / (1 - 4.613 + (1 / self.epsilon))))
    self.mflk = self.kllk / self.epsilon
    self.qllk = self.kllk + self.mflk
    # First stage
    self.klk = (m_pw + self.qllk) * ((3.613 / (1 - 4.613 + (1 / self.epsilon))))
    self.mflk = self.klk / self.epsilon
    self.qlk = self.klk + self.mflk
    # sumary mass
    self.msk = m_pw + self.qlk + self.qllk
    return round(self.msk, 3)

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def __str__(self):
    return f'{self.q1}, {self.ms}, {self.msk}'

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if __name__ == '__main__':

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    vl = 7785 # m/s
    dv_loss = 2056 # m/s
    m_pw = 1285 # kg
    epsilon = 0.08

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M = Missile(vl, dv_loss, m_pw, epsilon)

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print(' A = single_stage_rocket mass: ', M.single_stage_rocket(), '[kg]\n',
      'B = twoVER1_stage_rocket: ', M.twoVER1_stage_rocket(), '[kg]\n',
      'C = twoVER2_stage_rocket: ', M.twoVER2_stage_rocket(), '[kg]\n',
      'ratio A / B = ', round(M.single_stage_rocket() / M.twoVER1_stage_rocket(), 3), '\n',
      'ratio C / B = ', round(M.twoVER2_stage_rocket() / M.twoVER1_stage_rocket(), 3))

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