PS41 Propulsion – Chapter 4 Performance & Thermodynamics Cycles of Aircraft Gas Turbine Engine

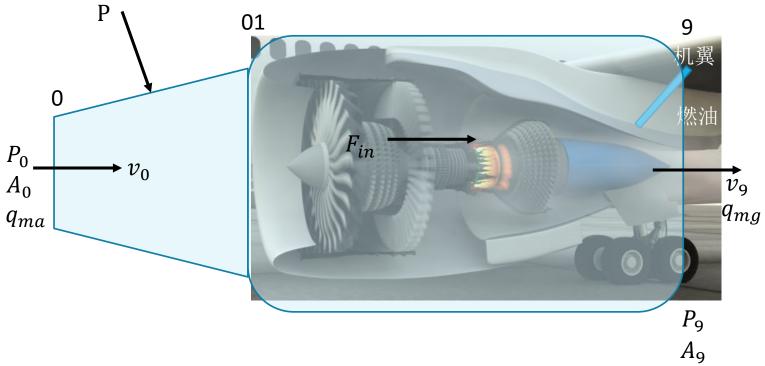
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Objectives

- Jet engine thrust and other performance parameters.
- Performance of a basic jet engine.
- Brayton cycles
 - Ideal Brayton cycle
 - Variants of Brayton cycle
 - Actual/real Brayton cycle
- Jet engine cycles for aircraft propulsion
 - Turbojet engine
 - Turbojet engine with afterburning
 - Turbofan and its variants
 - Turboprop and turboshaft engines
 - Ramjet engines

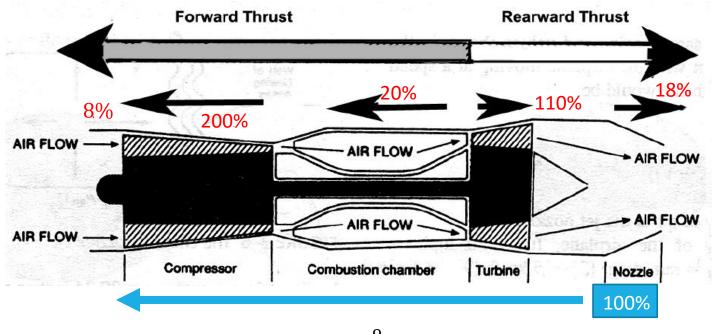
Thrust



$$F_e = F_{in} + F_{out}$$

$$F_{in} = q_{mg}v_9 - q_{ma}v_0 - P_0A_0 - \int_0^{01} PdA + P_9A_9$$

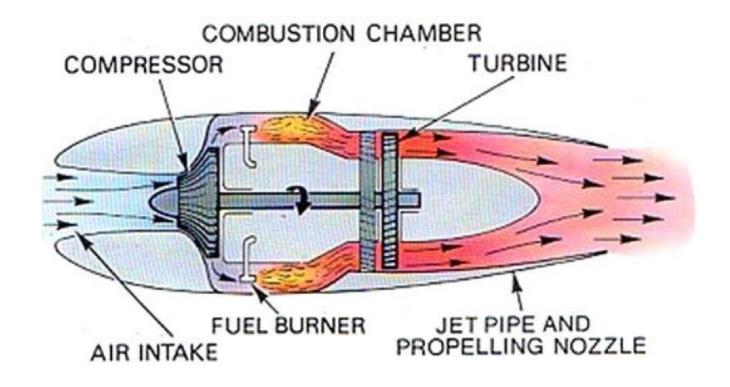
Thrust



$$F_{out} = -\int_{01}^{9} PdA - X_{f}$$

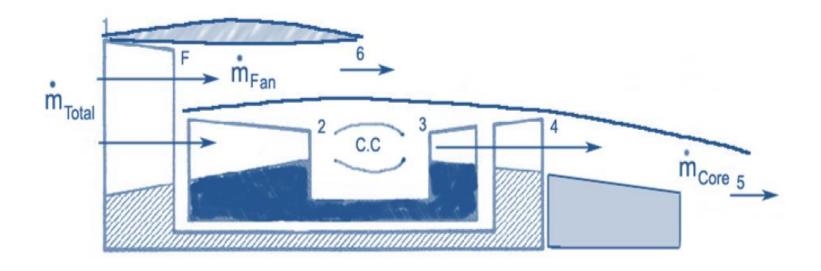
$$F_{e} = q_{mg}v_{9} + (P_{9} - P_{0})A_{9} - q_{ma}v_{0} - \int_{0}^{01} (P - P_{0})dA - \int_{01}^{9} (P - P_{0})dA - X_{f}$$

Thrust of a Jet Engine

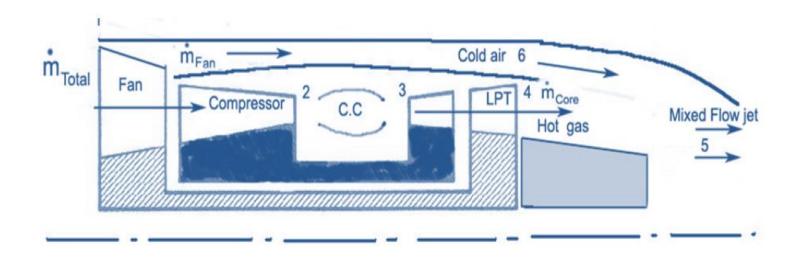


A Whittle-type turbo-jet engine

Thrust of a unmixed Turbo-fan engine

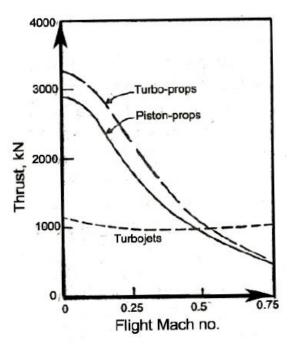


Thrust of a mixed Turbo-fan engine



Thrust

- $\blacksquare F_S = \frac{F}{q_{ma}}$
- Thrust to weight ratio
- Power to weight ratio



Typical thrust generation capability of small aircraft engines of similar power

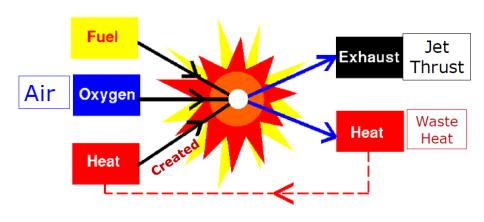
Fuel consumption

Fuel consumption for turbojet and other jet engines is normally presented in terms of thrust specific fuel consumption (TSFC).

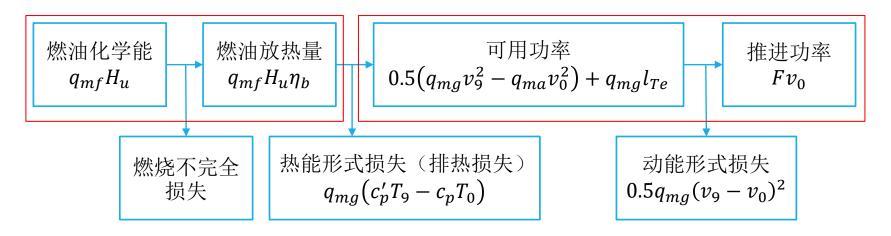
$$SFC = \frac{3600q_{mf}}{F} = \frac{3600f}{F_S}$$
 (kg/N-hr)

- The thrust specific fuel consumption varies with engine rpm, Mach number and altitude.
- For jet engines with reheat or afterburning, the fuel consumption would be quite high, and SFC would show up as high value. In such operation sheer thrust requirement outweighs the high SFC.
- Turbo-props have lower SFC. This fact has proposed development of Prop-fans.

Jet Engine fundamentally is a Heat Engine



<u>Combustion</u> is the energy input in to the engine and is key to the operation of a jet engine



Efficiency

■ The efficiency of energy conversion (Thermal efficiency) is given by

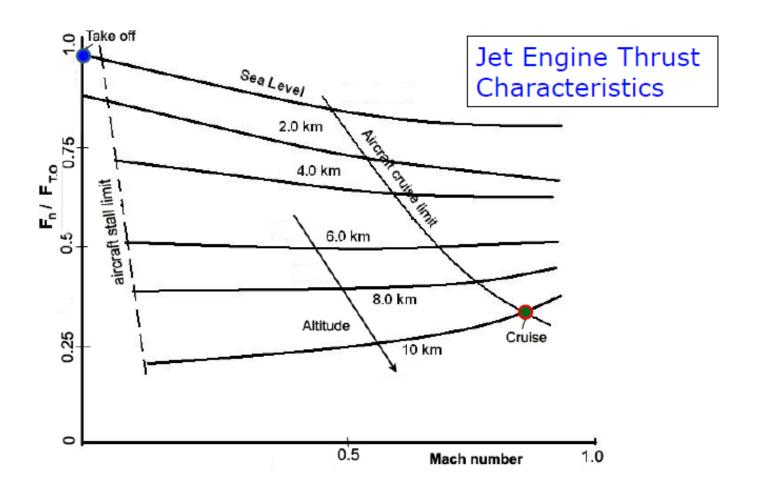
$$\eta_t = \frac{l_e}{q_0}$$

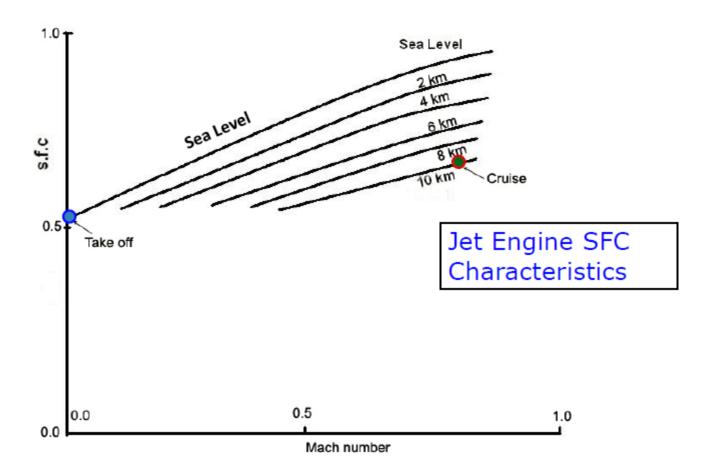
The propulsive efficiency η_p can be written as

$$\eta_p = \frac{F_s v_0}{l_e}$$

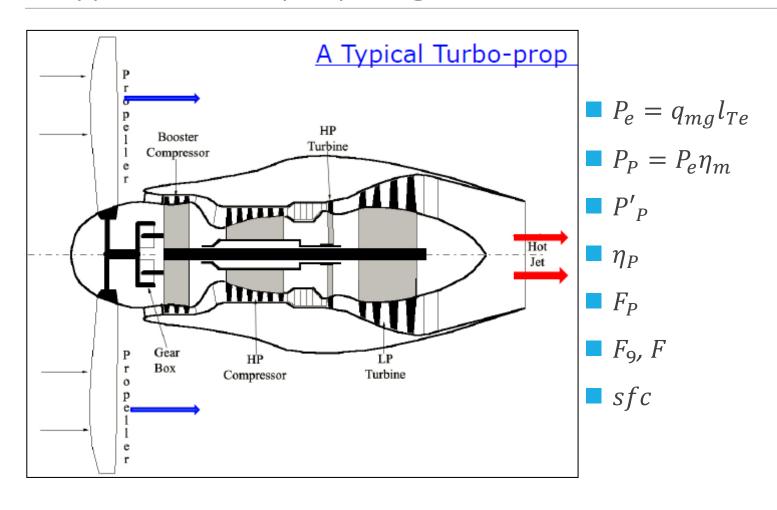
Total efficiency:

$$\eta_0 = \eta_t \cdot \eta_p$$

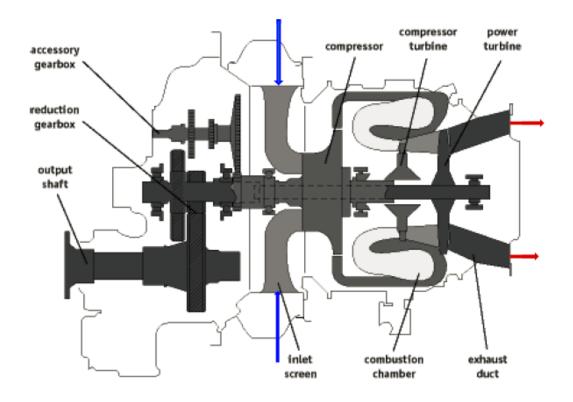




A typical turbo-prop engine



A typical turbo-shaft engine



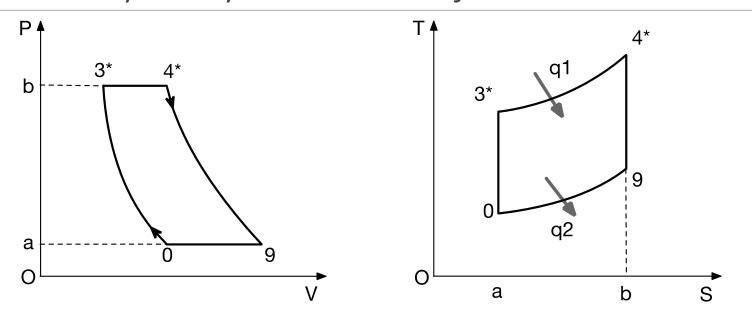
 \blacksquare P, P_s , sfc

Thermodynamic Cycles

Brayton cycle

- Modern day gas turbines operate on Brayton cycle and work with rotating machinery.
- Ideal Brayton cycle

Ideal Brayton cycle for turbo-jet



Brayton cycle on P-V and T-S diagrams

0-3: Isentropic compression

3-4: Constant-pressure heat addition

4-9: Isentropic expansion (in a turbine)

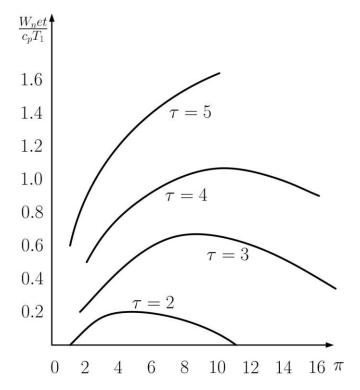
9-0: Constant-pressure heat rejection

Ideal Brayton cycle for turbo-jet

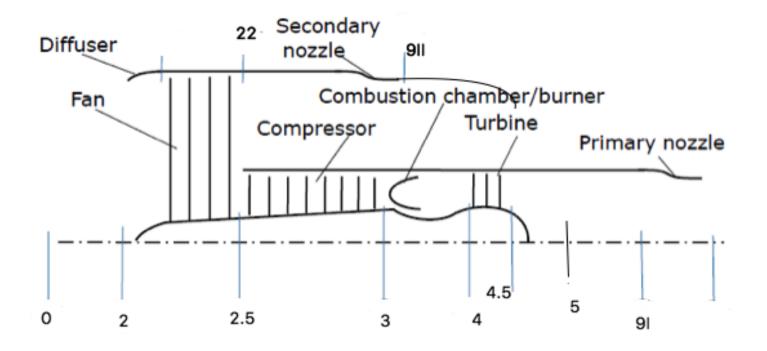
Substituting these equations into the thermal efficiency relation and simplifying:

$$\eta_{th,Brayton} = 1 - \frac{1}{\pi^{(\gamma-1)/\gamma}}$$

The thermal efficiency of a Brayton cycle is therefore a function of the cycle pressure ratio and the ratio of specific heats.

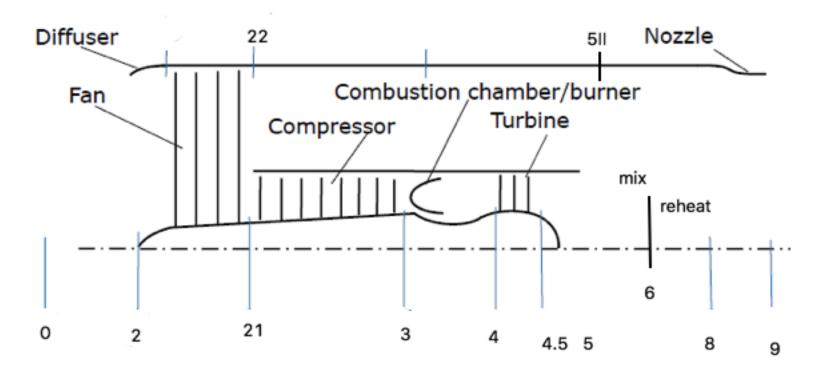


Ideal Brayton cycle for turbofan engine



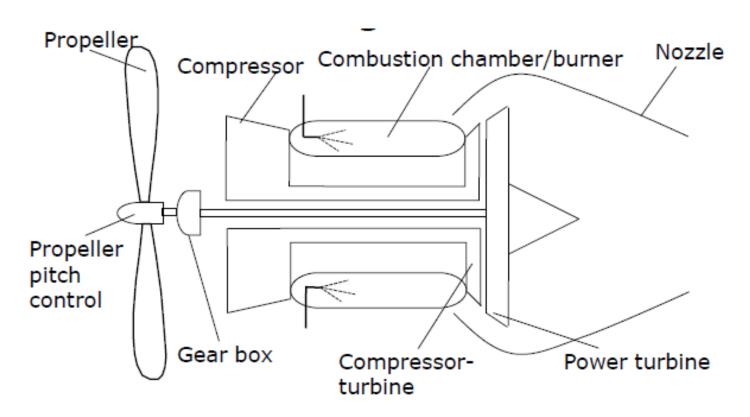
Schematic of an unmixed turbofan engine and station numbering scheme

Ideal Brayton cycle for turbofan engine



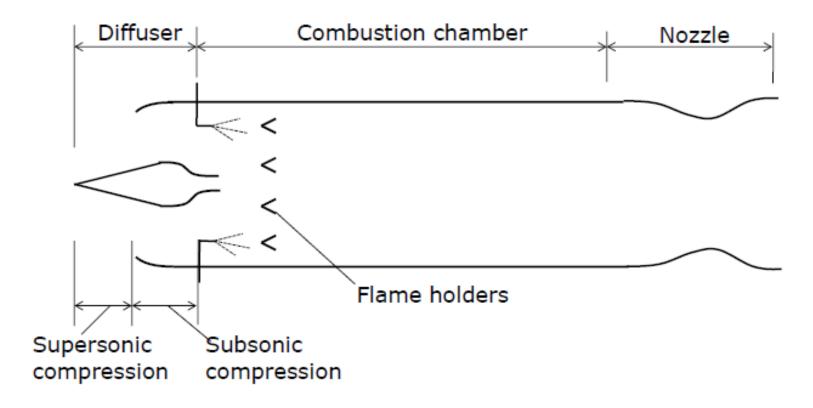
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Ideal turboprop and turboshaft engines



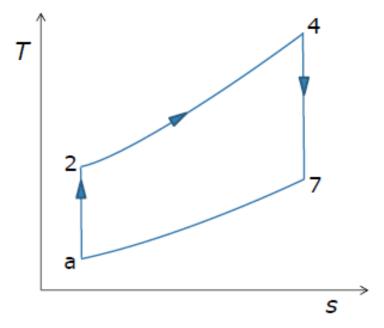
Schematic of typical turboprop engine

Ideal ramjet engines



Schematic of typical ramjet engine

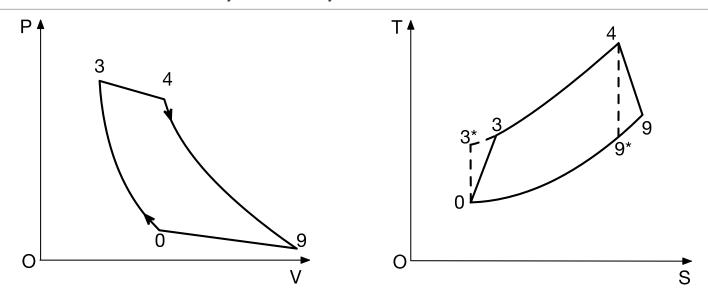
Ideal ramjet engines



a-2: Isentropic compression in the intake 2-4: Combustion at constant pressure 4-7: Isentropic expansion through the nozzle

Ideal ramjet cycle on a T-S diagram

Actual/Real Brayton cycle



The deviation of actual compressors and turbines from the isentropic versions can be accounted for by using the isentropic efficiencies.

$$\eta_C = rac{Isentropic\ work}{Actual\ work} \cong rac{h_{2s} - h_1}{h_{2a} - h_1} \ \eta_T = rac{Actual\ work}{Isentropic\ work} \cong rac{h_3 - h_{4a}}{h_3 - h_{4s}}$$

Actual/Real Brayton cycle

