

# AVDASI 3

(CADE 30007)

## Gas Turbine Propulsion

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Week 14: Lecture 2

Thermodynamics recap  
& Practical Gas turbine  
Cycle

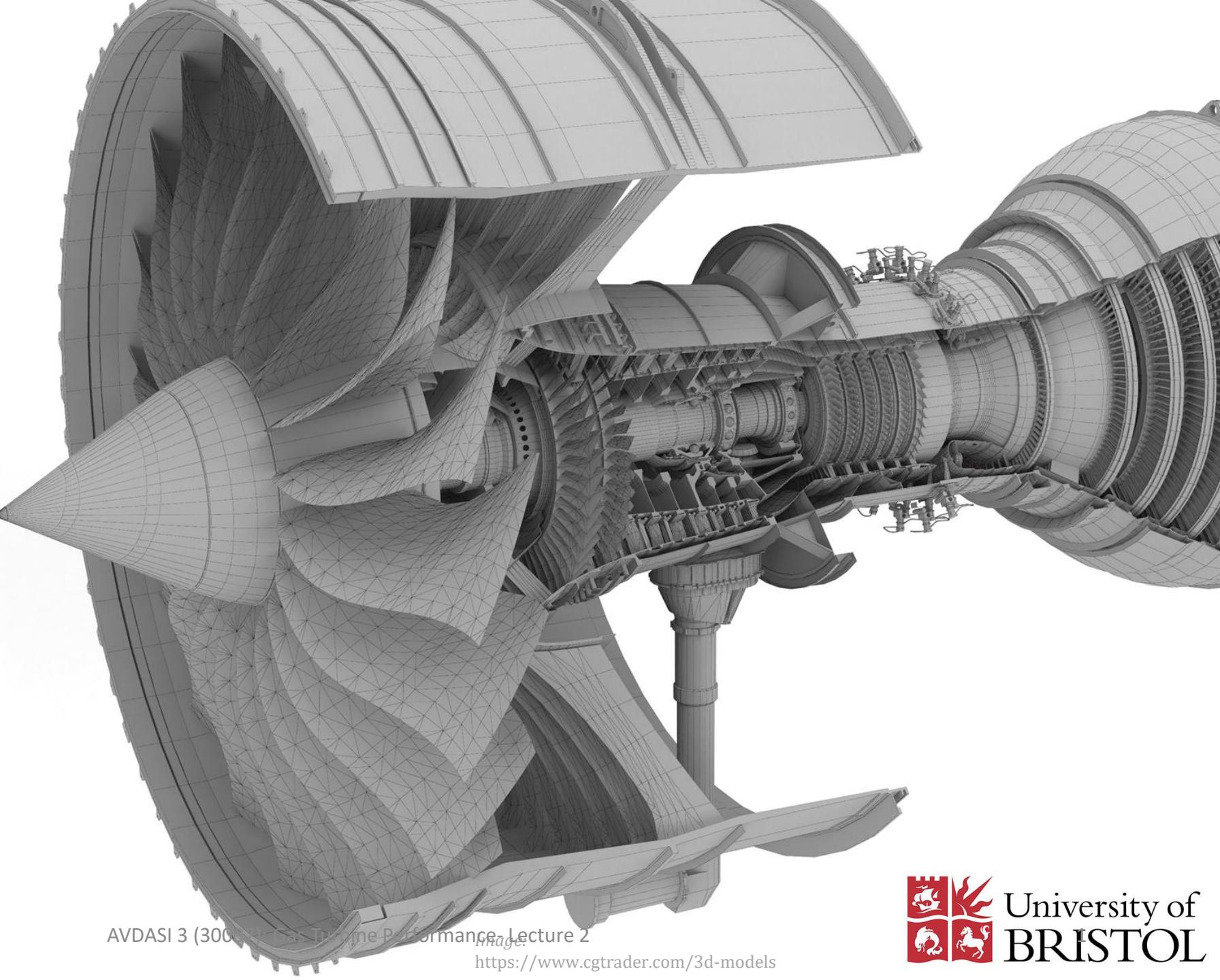
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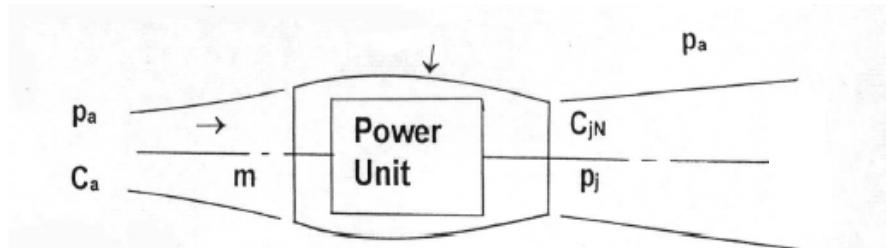
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# Learning Objectives for Lecture 2

- Recap on basic relationships
- To show the ideal efficiency of the Joule or Brayton Cycle.
- To calculate the main characteristics of a practical turbojet.

# Thrust and Propulsive Efficiency: 1



***For analysis purposes the Propulsion Unit is stationary in a uniform flow field***

**THRUST** is equal to rate of change of momentum:

$$\text{If } \dot{m}_f \ll \dot{m}, \quad F = \dot{m}(C_{jN} - C_a) + A_j(P_j - P_a)$$

**Fuel flow** =  $\dot{m}_f$  [kg/s]

**Net calorific value of fuel** =  $Q_{net}$

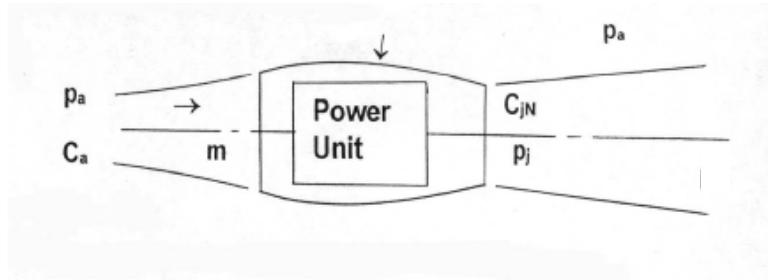
For kerosene:

$$Q_{net} \sim 42 \text{ MJ/kg}$$

Next-gen Batteries:

Energy Density  
 $\sim 1.5 \text{ MJ/kg}$

# Thrust and Propulsive Efficiency: 2



**Efficiency of Energy Conversion** is equal to useful mechanical energy / energy supplied by fuel:

$$\eta_e = \frac{1}{2} \dot{m} \frac{(C_j^2 - C_a^2)}{Q_{net} \cdot \dot{m}_f}$$

**Propulsive (Froude) Efficiency** is equal to useful work / useful work + unused KE in jet:

$$\eta_p = \frac{\frac{F \cdot C_a}{\dot{m}(C_j^2 - C_a^2)}}{\frac{F \cdot C_a}{\dot{m}(C_j^2 - C_a^2)} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{m} (C_j - C_a)^2} = \frac{2}{(1 + C_j/C_a)}$$

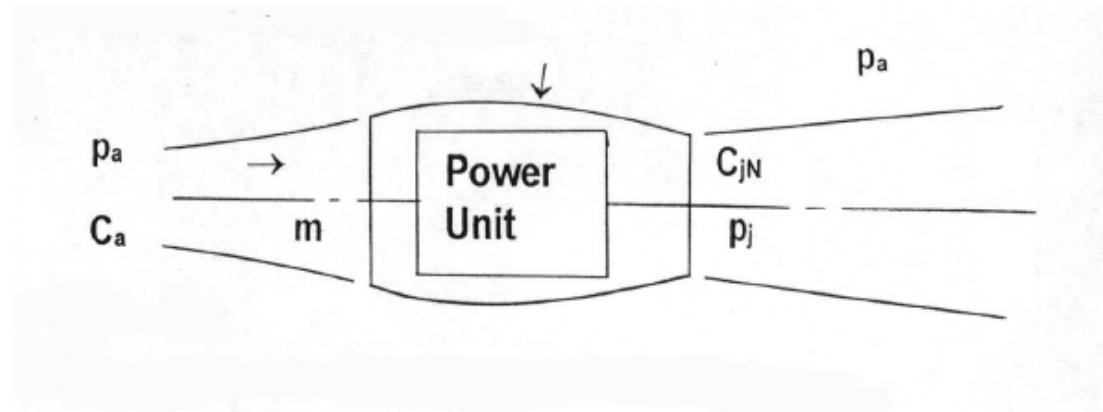
N.B Assuming fully expanded jet from propelling nozzle

$$F = \dot{m}(C_j - C_a)$$

**OVERALL EFFICIENCY** is the product of efficiency of energy conversion and propulsive efficiency:

$$\eta_{overall} = \eta_e \cdot \eta_p$$

# Thrust and Propulsive Efficiency: 3



**Overall Efficiency:**

$$\eta_{overall} = \frac{F \cdot C_a}{\dot{m}_f \cdot Q_{net}}$$

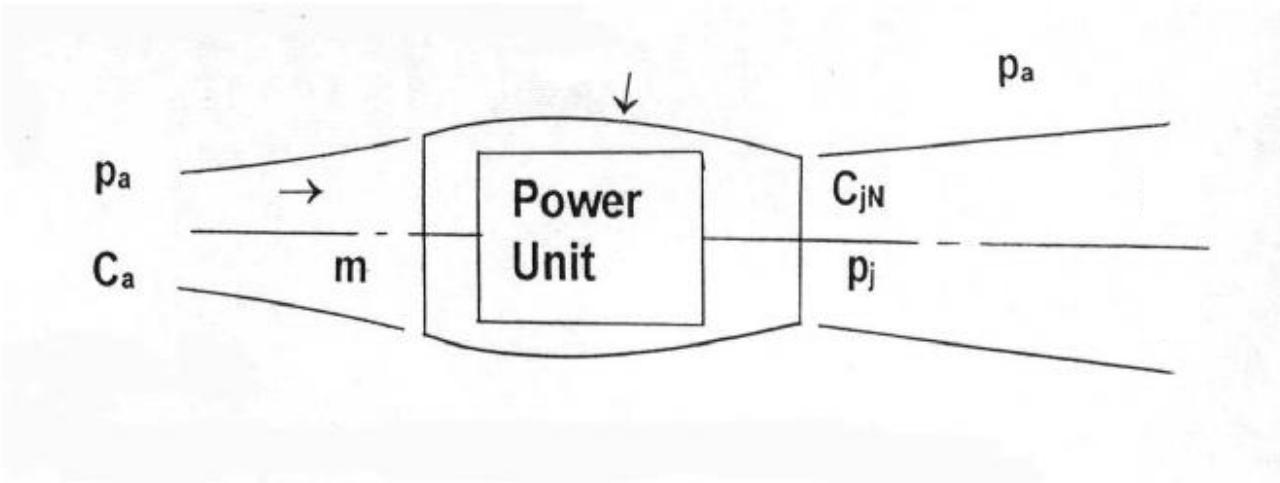
**Specific Fuel Consumption:**  $SFC = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{F}$  [kg/(h N)]

Hence overall efficiency (for a given fuel)  $\propto$  flight speed / SFC:

$$\eta_{overall} = \frac{C_a}{SFC \cdot Q_{net}}$$

Thus SFC is a measure of overall efficiency

# Thrust and Propulsive Efficiency: 4



**Fuel Air Ratio (FAR):**

$$FAR = \frac{\text{fuel flow}}{\text{air flow}} = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{\dot{m}}$$

**Specific Thrust (ST)** is equal to Thrust / unit Mass Flow:

$$ST = \frac{F}{\dot{m}} = (C_j - C_a)$$

That means that:

$$SFC = \frac{FAR}{ST} = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{F}$$

# Basic Thermodynamic relationships - 1

Laws of thermodynamics are empirical i.e. based on (many) experimental observations.

First Law of Thermodynamics yields steady flow energy equation , per unit mass flow rate:

$$Q = (h_2 - h_1) + \frac{1}{2}(C_2^2 - C_1^2) + W$$

An expression for  
the conservation  
of energy.

Stagnation (total) Enthalpy

$$h_0 = h + \frac{C^2}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad h = C_p T \quad \text{so} \quad T_0 = T + \frac{C^2}{2 \cdot C_p} \quad \text{since} \quad h_0 = C_p T_0$$

Second Law of Thermodynamics yields:

$$ds = \left(\frac{dQ}{T}\right)_{rev}$$

Introduces concept of entropy – a  
property of a thermodynamic system.

# Basic Thermodynamic relationships - 2

## Specific Heats

The quantity of heat needed to raise the temperature of unit mass of a substance by 1 K.

Function of temperature only for normal conditions in a gas turbine engine. Often considered constant to simplify preliminary analysis.

## Typical Values

For Air:

$$c_{pa} = 1005 \text{ J/kg.K}$$

$$\gamma_a = \frac{c_p}{c_v} = 1.4$$

$$\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} = 3.5$$

$$c_p - c_v = R$$

For Exhaust Gases:

$$c_{pg} = 1148 \text{ J/kg.K}$$

$$\gamma_g = \frac{c_p}{c_v} = 1.333$$

$$\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} = 4.0$$

For both air and exhaust gases, the gas constant,  $R = 287.1 \text{ J/kg. K}$

# Basic Thermodynamic relationships - 3

Total temperature:

$$T_0 = T + \frac{C^2}{2C_p} \quad \text{or} \quad T_0 = T \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} M^2 \right]$$

Total pressure (for isentropic):

$$P_0 = P \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} M^2 \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)}} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{P_0}{P} = \left[ \frac{T_0}{T} \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)}}$$

Note also (for isentropic):

$$\frac{P_{02}}{P_{01}} = \left[ \frac{T_{02}}{T_{01}} \right]^{\left( \frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} \right)}$$

Speed of sound:

$$a = \sqrt{\gamma RT}$$

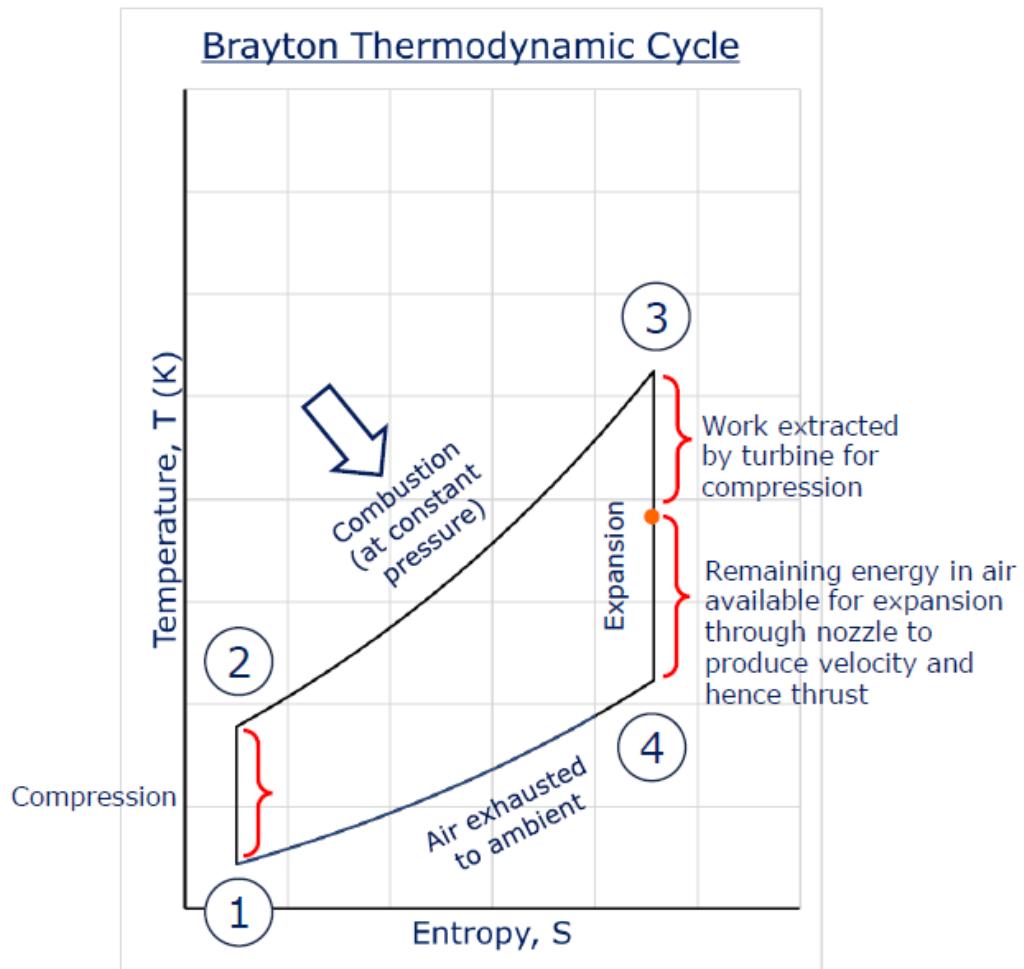
Mach number:

$$M = \frac{C}{\sqrt{\gamma RT}}$$

# Ideal Joule-Brayton cycle -1

Assumptions for ideal Brayton cycle:

- The working fluid is air and behaves as a perfect gas
- The mass-flow through the cycle is constant
- The kinetic energy change between inlet/outlet of components is negligible
- No component pressure losses
- Isoentropic compressions and expansions



# Ideal Joule-Brayton cycle -2

$$Q = (h_2 - h_1) + \frac{1}{2}(C_2^2 - C_1^2) + W$$

## 1»2 Isoentropic compression

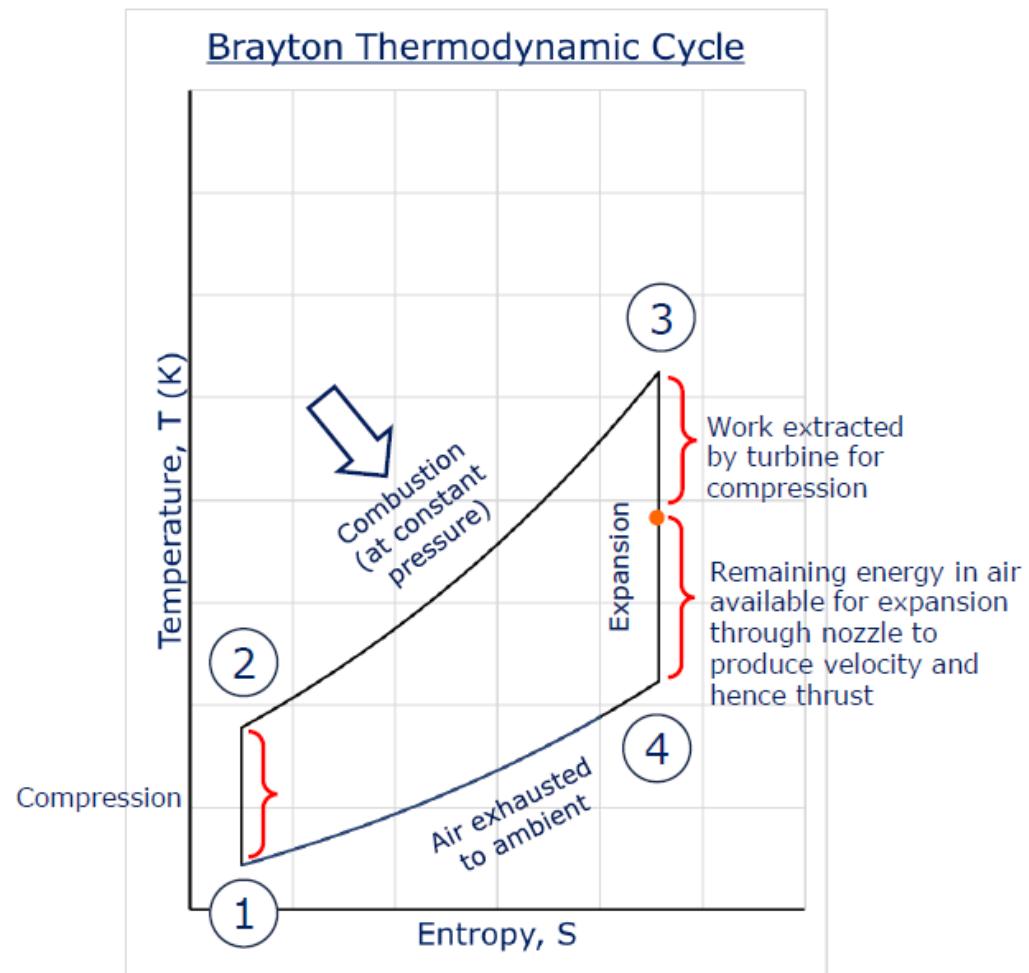
- $\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}$
- $W_{12} = C_P(T_2 - T_1)$

## 2»3 Isobaric Combustion

- $P_2 = P_3$
- $Q_{23} = C_P(T_3 - T_2)$

## 3»4 Isoentropic expansion

- $\frac{T_4}{T_3} = \left(\frac{P_4}{P_3}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}$
- $W_{34} = C_P(T_3 - T_4)$



# Ideal Joule-Brayton cycle -3

Efficiency is net work produced by the cycle over the heat energy input:

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = \frac{W_{34} - W_{12}}{Q_{23}} = \frac{C_P(T_3 - T_4) - C_P(T_2 - T_1)}{C_P(T_3 - T_2)} =$$

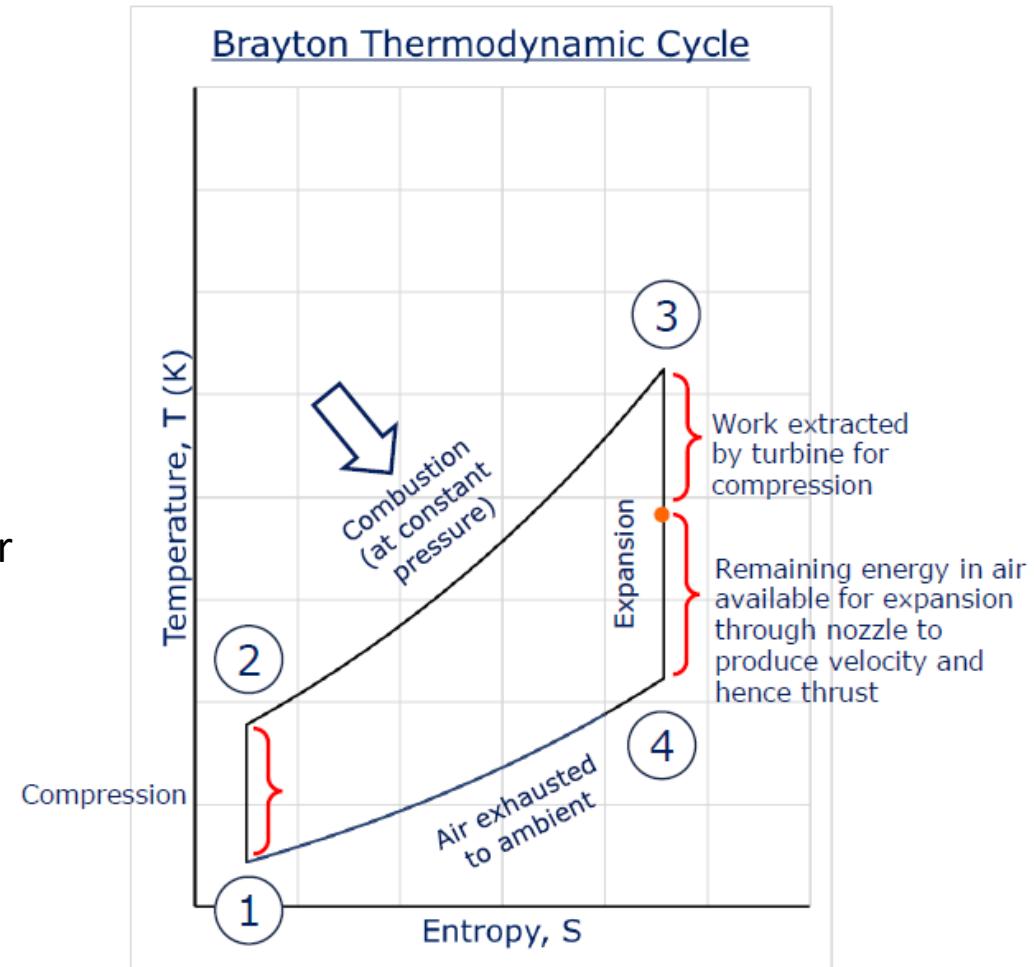
$$= 1 + \frac{T_1 - T_4}{T_3 - T_2} = 1 - \frac{T_1}{T_2} \frac{(1 - T_4/T_1)}{(1 - T_3/T_2)}$$

$P_2 = P_3$  in the comb. chamber

Since  $\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} = \left(\frac{P_3}{P_4}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} = \frac{T_3}{T_4}$ ,  $\rightarrow \frac{T_4}{T_1} = \frac{T_3}{T_2}$

$P_4 = P_1 = P_a$

$$\eta = 1 - \frac{T_1(1 - T_4/T_1)}{T_2(1 - T_3/T_2)} = 1 - \frac{T_1}{T_2} = 1 - \left(\frac{P_1}{P_2}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}$$



# Ideal Joule-Brayton cycle -4

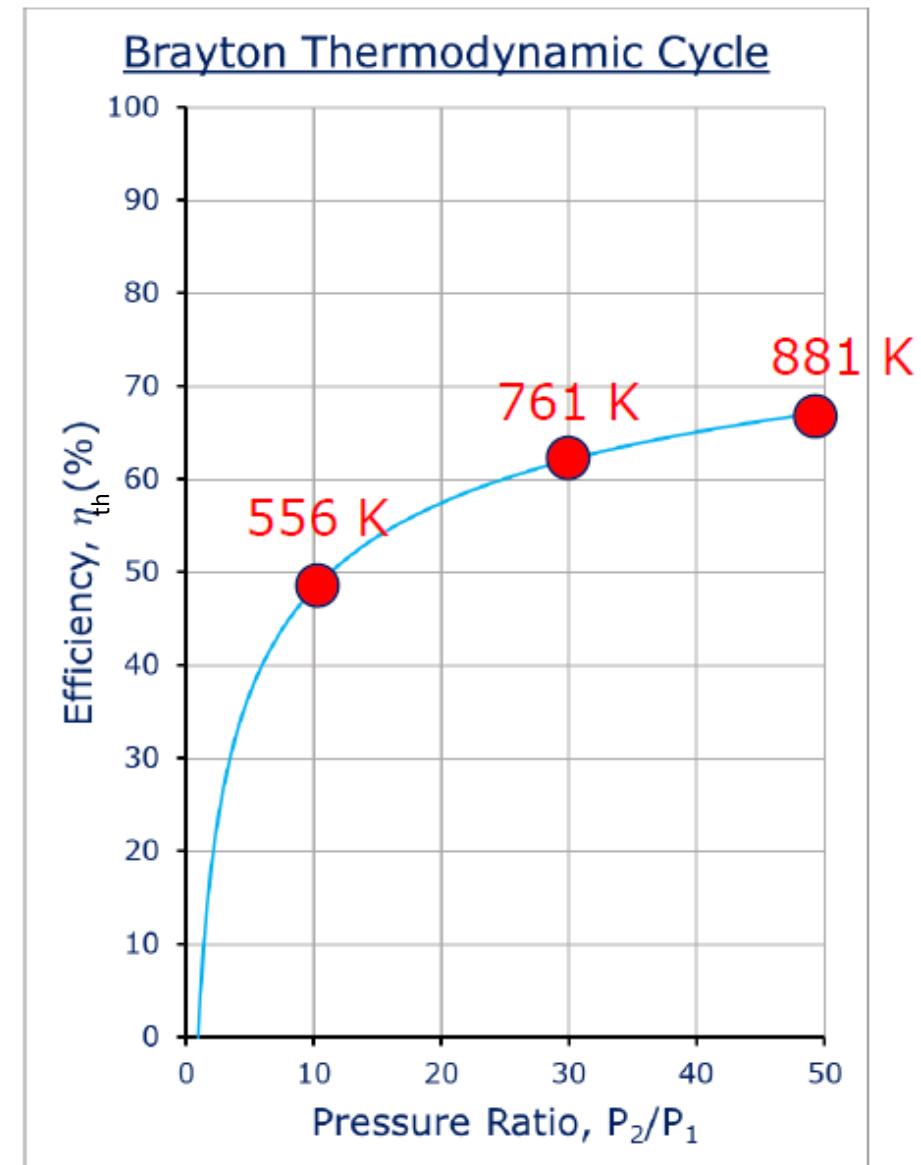
Cycle efficiency:

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = 1 - \left( \frac{1}{PR} \right)^{\left( \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \right)}$$

Where  $PR = P_2/P_1$

Cycle efficiency is only a function of pressure ratio.

$$T_2 = T_1 \left( \frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^{\left( \frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma} \right)}$$



# Ideal Joule-Brayton cycle -5

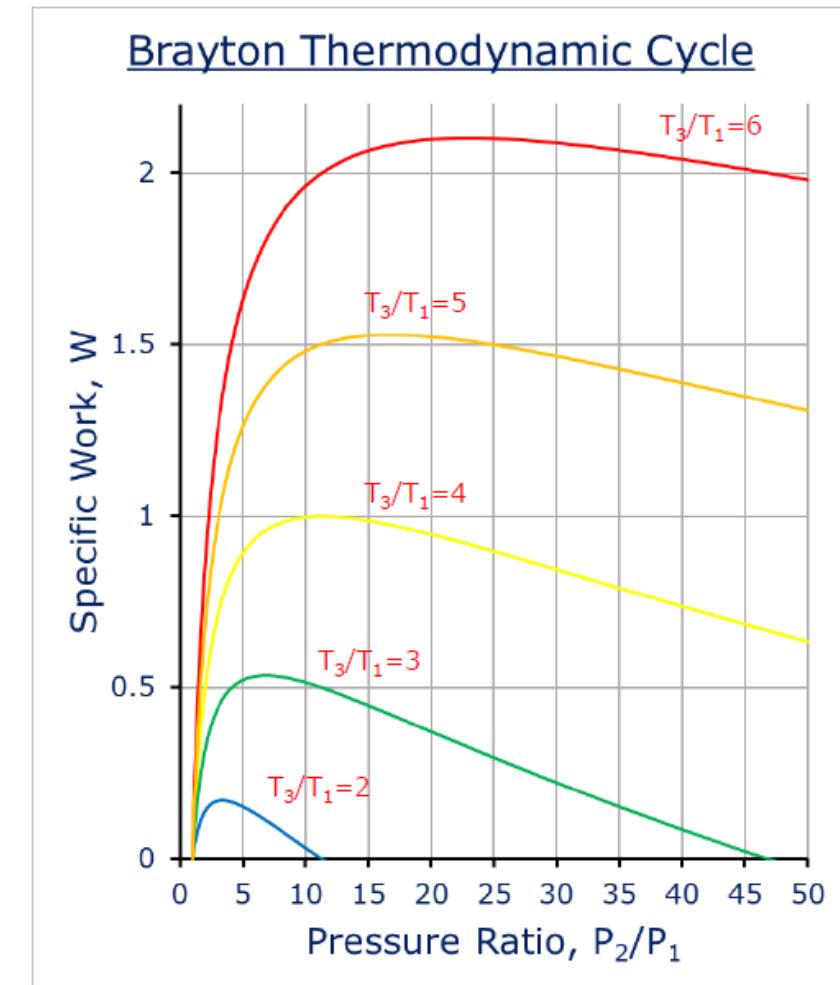
Want an expression for net work in terms of PR and maximum cycle temperature:

$$\text{Net Work, } W = W_{34} - W_{12} = Cp \times \{(T_3 - T_4) - (T_2 - T_1)\}$$

We can non-dimensionalise this:

$$\frac{W}{(Cp \times T_1)} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1}\right) \left\{1 - \left(\frac{T_4}{T_3}\right)\right\} - \left\{\left(\frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) - 1\right\}$$

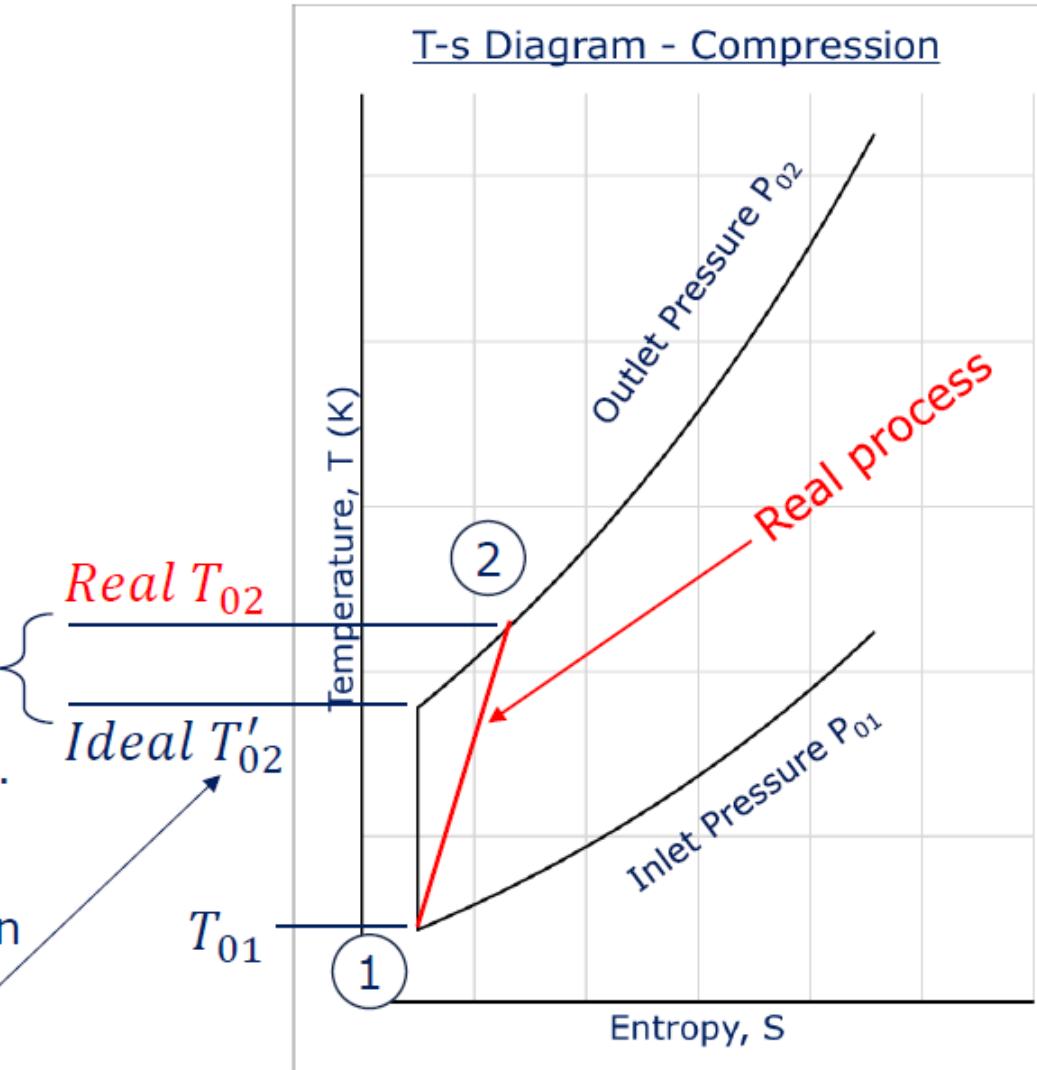
$$\boxed{\frac{W}{(Cp \times T_1)} = \left(\frac{T_3}{T_1}\right) \left\{1 - \left(\frac{1}{PR^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}}\right)\right\} - \left\{\left(PR^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}\right) - 1\right\}}$$



# Practical Joule-Brayton cycle -1

This is amount of extra work needed for real compression to overcome frictional losses for same required compression ratio.

Superscript ' often used to denote ideal conditions

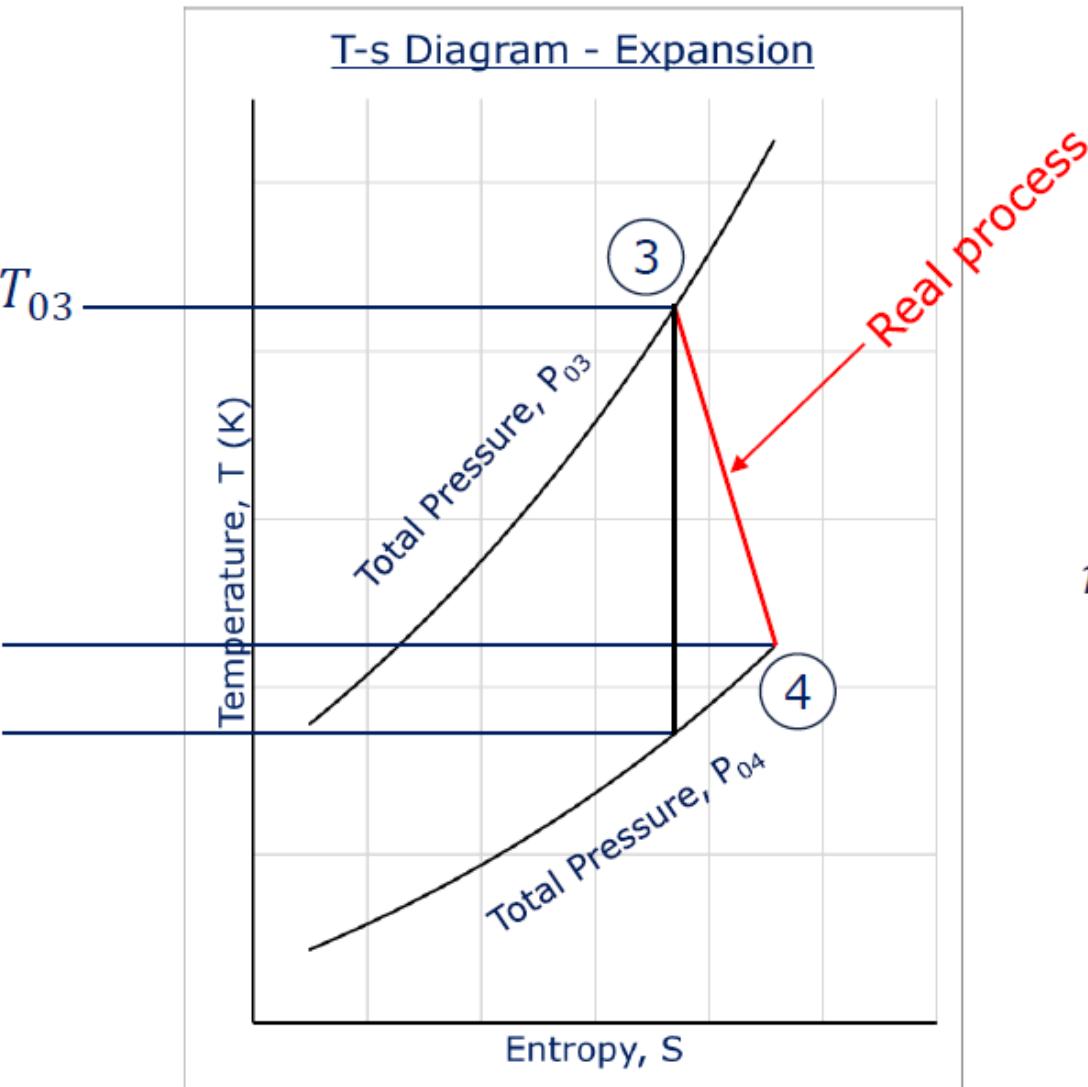


$$\eta_{isen} = \frac{(T'_{02} - T_{01})}{(T_{02} - T_{01})}$$

# Practical Turbojet cycle -2

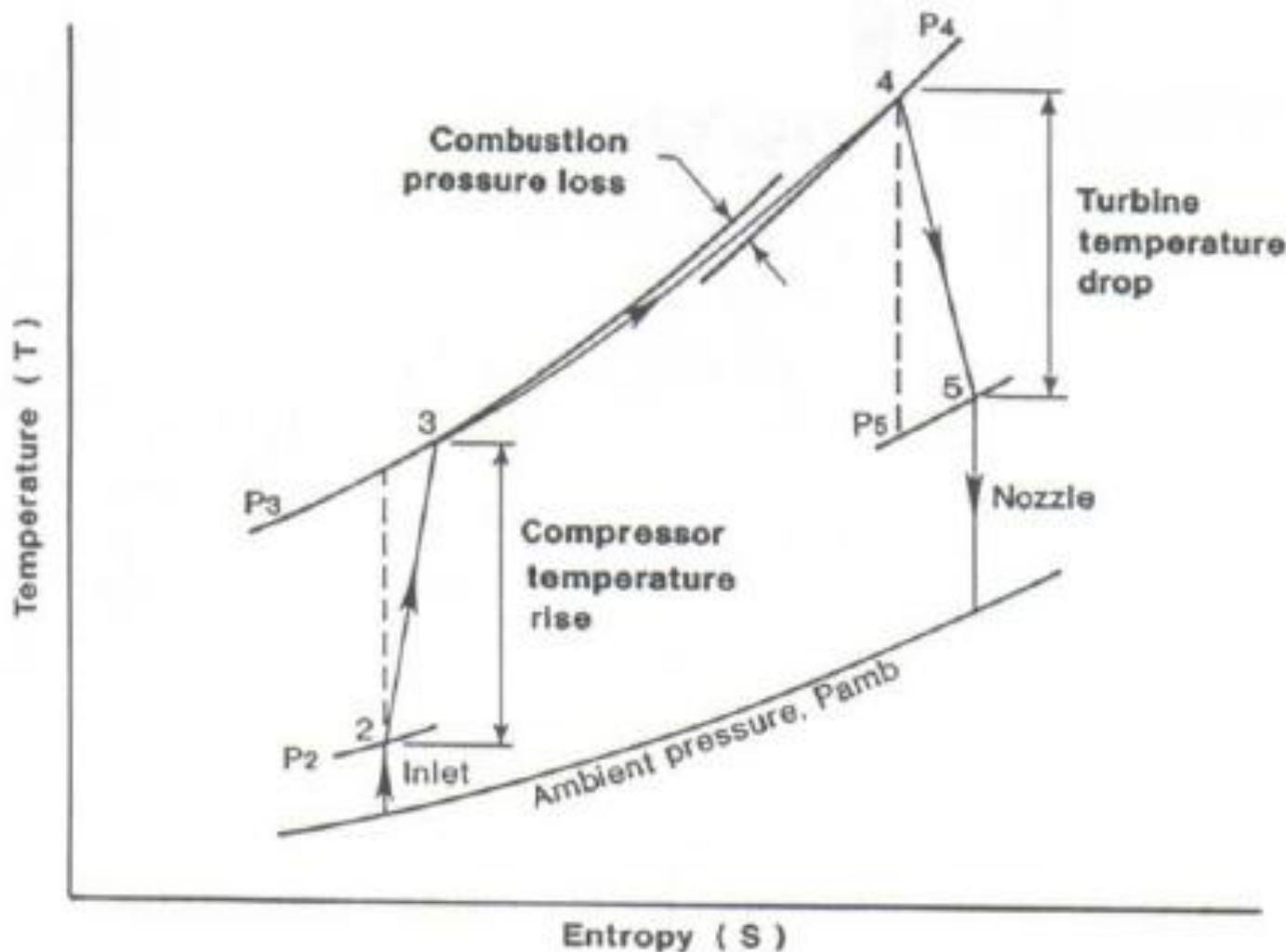
This is amount of decreased work produced by the real expansion for the same pressure ratio.

*Real  $T_{04}$*   
*Ideal  $T'_{04}$*



$$\eta_{isen} = \frac{(T_{03} - T_{04})}{(T_{03} - T'_{04})}$$

# Practical Turbojet cycle -3



# Practical Turbojet cycle -4

How to compute the flow velocity at the nozzle exit?

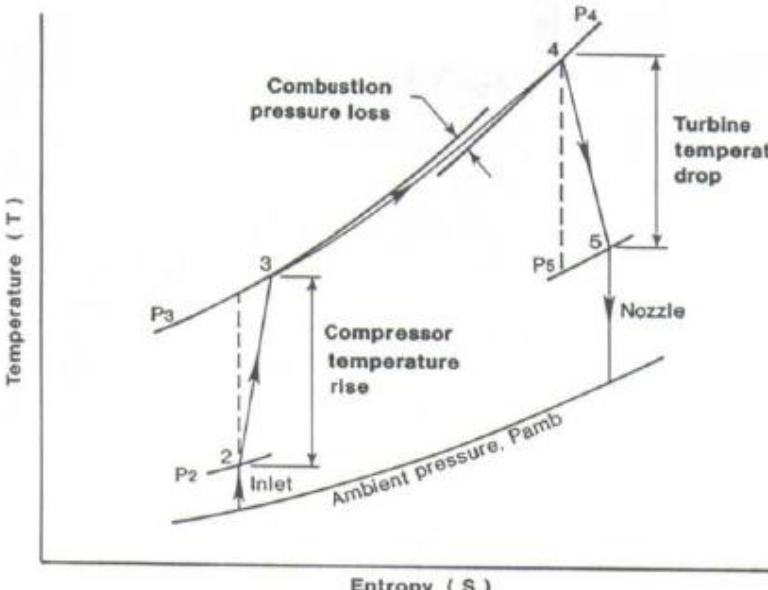
Adapted nozzle,  $P_j = P_a$

- Jet fully expanded in an ideal De Laval nozzle (convergent-divergent) or subsonic convergent nozzle

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet & P_{0,N} = P_{0,5}, \quad T_{0,N} = T_{0,5} \\ \bullet & \frac{T_{0,N}}{T_N} = \left(\frac{P_{0,N}}{P_a}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}, \quad \frac{T_{0,5}}{T_N} = \left(\frac{P_{0,5}}{P_a}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \\ \bullet & T_{0,N} = T_{0,5} = T_N + \frac{C_N^2}{2C_P} \end{aligned}$$

Underexpanded nozzle,  $P_j > P_a$

- Usually for choked convergent nozzle that reaches sonic conditions in the throat
- We'll see how to compute the jet speed in the worked example



# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 1

## Flight Condition:

$Mach, M = 0.8$

$Altitude, h = 10 \text{ km}$

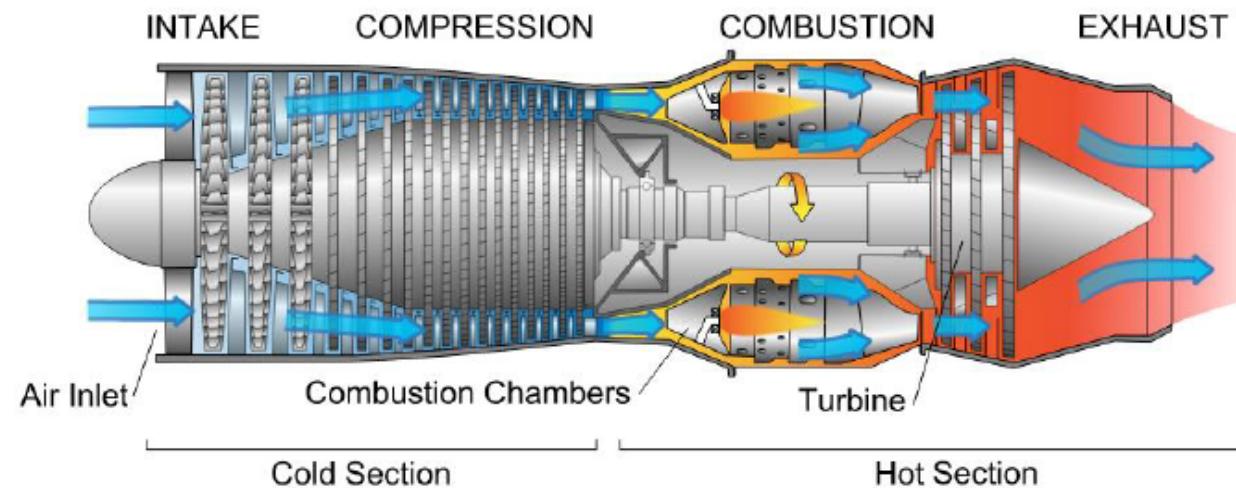
ISA day

## Engine Cycle Data:

Turbojet

$OPR = 8.0$

Temperature,  $T_{04} = 1200K$



## Engine Component Efficiencies & Losses:

Compressor,  $\eta_{Comp-isen} = 87\%$

Turbine,  $\eta_{Turb-isen} = 90\%$

Transmission,  $\eta_m = 99\%$

Combustion pressure loss = 4%

Convergent propelling nozzle

No inlet pressure loss

## The question:

What is the specific thrust and SFC of the engine?

(N.B. For this analysis, velocities are relative to the engine i.e. we assume the engine is stationary and the air is entering the engine at the flight velocity)

# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 2

## Step 0 – Ambient Conditions:

Using tables or formula for ISA:

Temperature,  $T_a = 223K$  (ISA day)

Pressure,  $P_a = 26.4\text{ kPa}$

Speed of sound,  $a = \sqrt{\gamma RT} = 299\text{ m/s}$

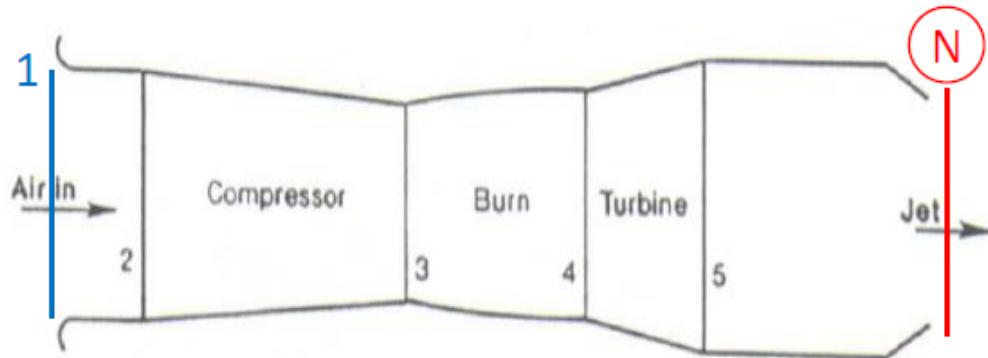
Flight speed,  $Ca = 0.8 \times 299 = 240\text{ m/s}$

## Step 2 – Compressor Inlet Conditions:

In this case, there is no inlet pressure loss and therefore:

$$P_{02} = P_{01} \quad \text{and also} \quad T_{02} = T_{01}$$

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## Step 1 – Engine Inlet Conditions:

Total temperature:

$$T_{01} = T_a \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)}{2} M^2 \right] = 252\text{ K}$$

Total pressure:

$$P_{01} = P_a \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)}{2} M^2 \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)}} = 40.2\text{ kPa (absolute)}$$

(Remembering that  $\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} = 3.5$  for air)

# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 3

## Step 3 – Compression:

As compressor pressure ratio = 8

$$P_{03} = 8 \times 40.2 = 322 \text{ kPa}$$

If compression was ideal (isentropic):

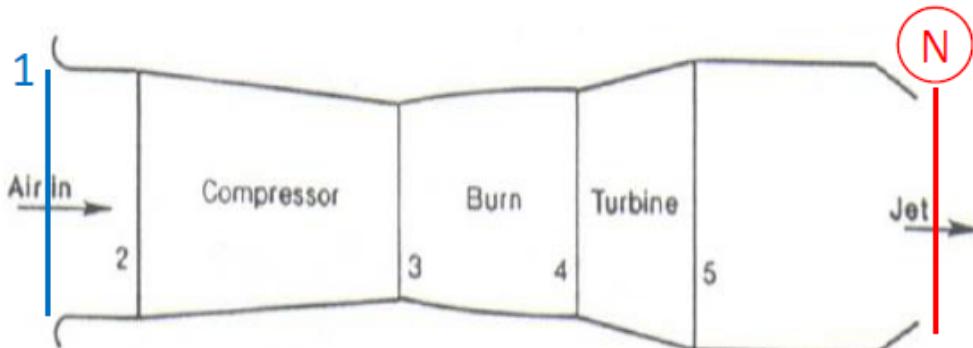
$$\frac{T'_{03}}{T_{02}} = \left[ \frac{P_{03}}{P_{02}} \right]^{\left( \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \right)} = 1.81 \quad \text{and therefore } T'_{03} = 456 \text{ K}$$

By definition  $\eta_{comp} = \frac{(T'_{03} - T_{02})}{(T_{03} - T_{02})}$  and therefore  $T_{03} = 486 \text{ K}$

Specific power required to drive the compressor by turbine:

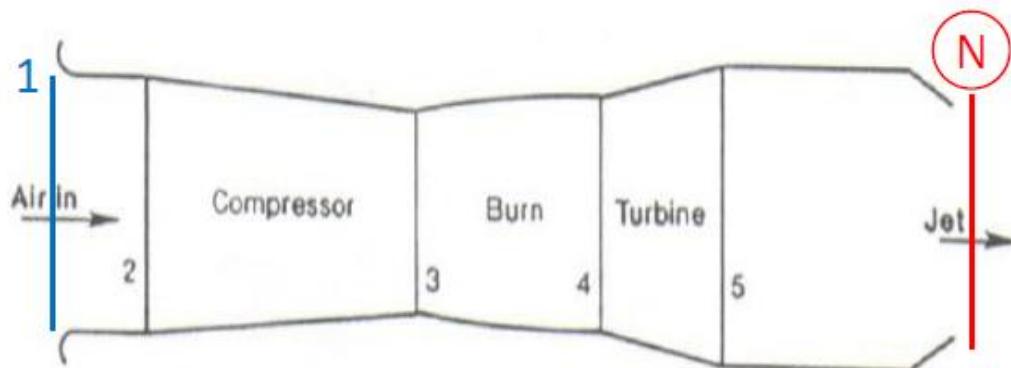
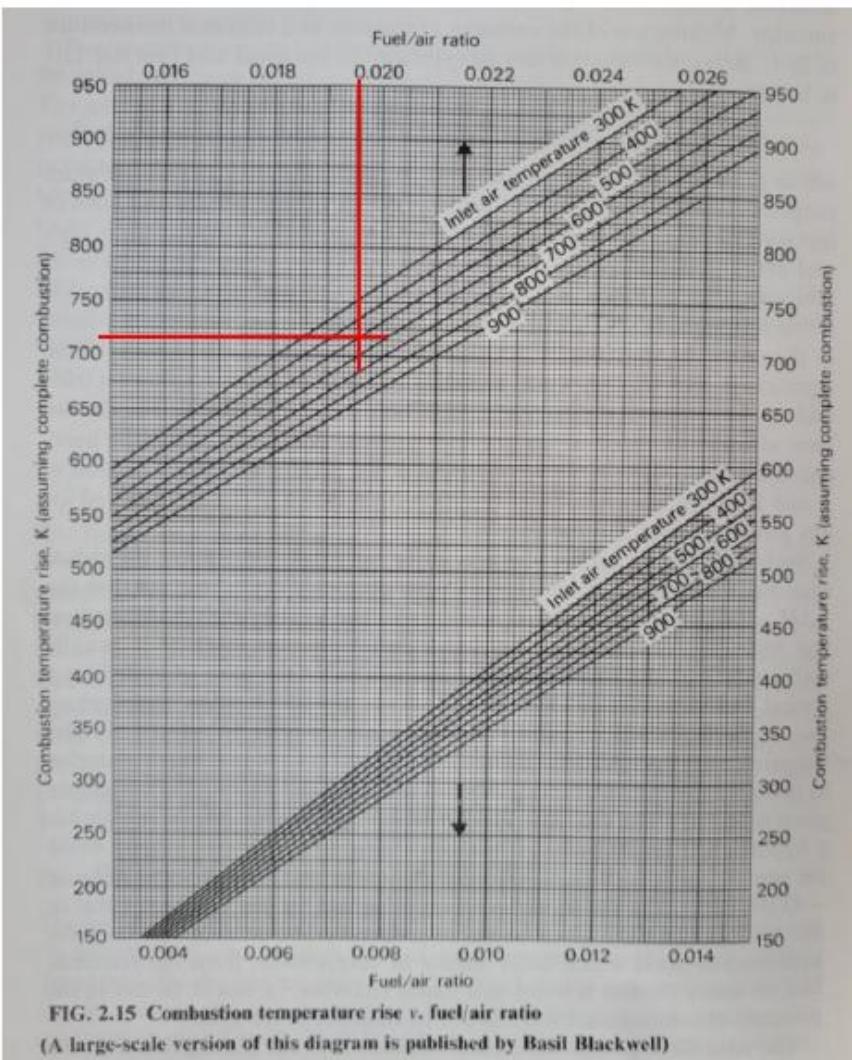
$$\text{Specific Power} = \frac{1}{\eta_m} C_{pa} (T_{03} - T_{02})$$

Where this is the transmission efficiency between turbine and compressor – mostly bearing and windage losses.



# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 4

## Step 4 – Combustion:



The temperature rise in the combustion chamber is:

$$\text{Temperature rise} = T_{04} - T_{03} = 1200 - 486 = 714 \text{ K},$$

Using the graph\*

$$\text{Fuel/air ratio, FAR} = 0.0195$$

Small 4% pressure loss across combustor, hence:

$$P_{04} = 0.96 \times P_{03} = 309 \text{ kPa}$$

### Notes

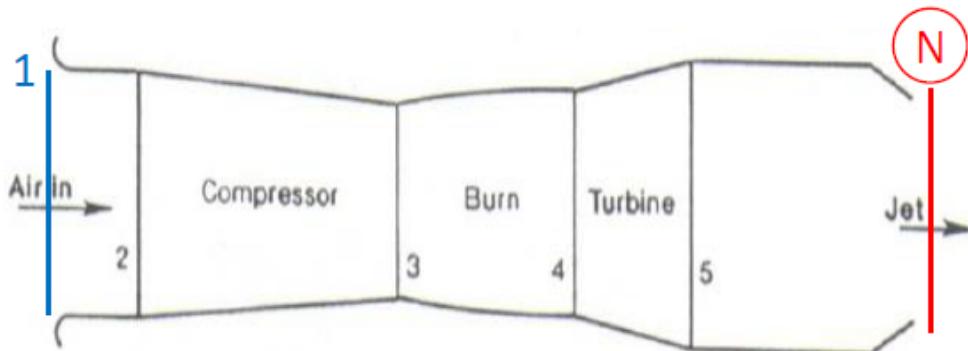
\*For complete combustion of kerosine, 42100 kJ/kg calorific value, stoichiometric FAR 0.068

# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 2

## Step 5 – Expansion (Turbine):

$$c_{pg}(T_{04} - T_{05}) = \frac{1}{\eta_m} c_{pa}(T_{03} - T_{02})$$

Specific power delivered by turbine      Specific power needed by compressor



Hence

$$\text{Turbine exit temperature, } T_{05} = T_{04} - \left\{ \frac{1}{\eta_m} \frac{c_{pa}}{c_{pg}} (T_{03} - T_{02}) \right\} = 993 \text{ K}$$

$$\eta_{turb-isen} = \frac{(T_{04} - T_{05})}{(T_{04} - T'_{05})} \quad \text{and therefore} \quad T'_{05} = 970 \text{ K}$$

$$\frac{P_{05}}{P_{04}} = \left[ \frac{T'_{05}}{T_{04}} \right]^{\left( \frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} \right)} = 0.475 \quad \text{and therefore} \quad P_{05} = 132 \text{ kPa} \quad (\text{Remembering that } \frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)} = 4 \text{ for combustion gases})$$

# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 2

## Step 6 – Propelling Nozzle

Assume no losses in nozzle so . . .

$$P_{0N} = P_{05} \quad \text{and also} \quad T_{0N} = T_{05}$$

Available Nozzle pressure ratio is  $P_{0N}/P_a \approx 5$

For isentropic flow

$$P_{0N} = P_N \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} M^2 \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{(\gamma-1)}}$$

So, when  $M = 1$  through convergent nozzle . . .

$$\text{Critical pressure ratio}, \frac{P_{0N}}{P_N} = 1.85$$

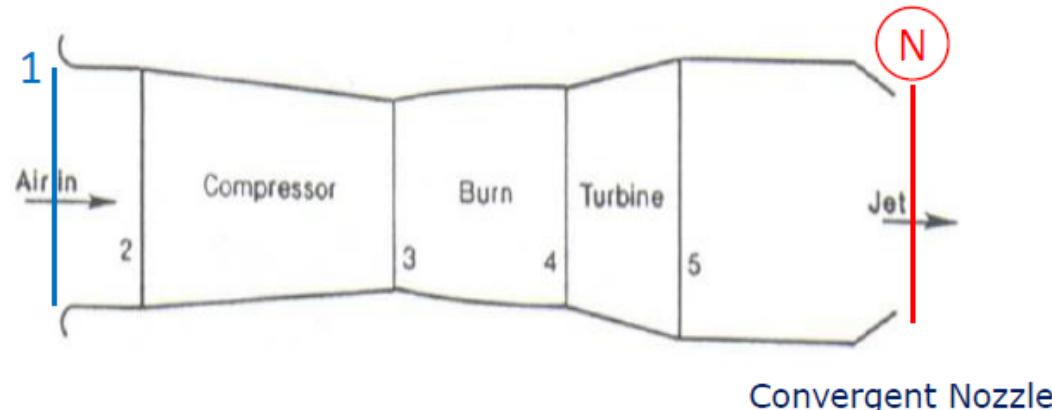
$P_N = 132/1.85 = 71 \text{ kPa}$  (the static pressure at the nozzle exit, which is > Pa)

$T_N = 993/1.167 = 851 \text{ K}$  (the static temperature at the nozzle exit)

$$\rho_N = \frac{P_N}{(RT_N)} = \frac{71000}{(287.1 \times 851)} = 0.29 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$C_N = \sqrt{\gamma RT_N} = 571 \text{ m/s}$$

Hence nozzle is choked & jet is sonic (Mach 1)  
as available pressure ratio exceeds this value.



# Worked Example – Turbojet performance 2

## Step 7 – Specific Thrust & SFC

$$\text{Thrust}, F = \dot{m}(C_N - C_a) + A_N(P_N - P_a)$$

$$\text{Specific Thrust}, F_s = \frac{F}{\dot{m}} = (C_N - C_a) + \left( \frac{A_N}{\dot{m}} \right) (P_N - P_a)$$

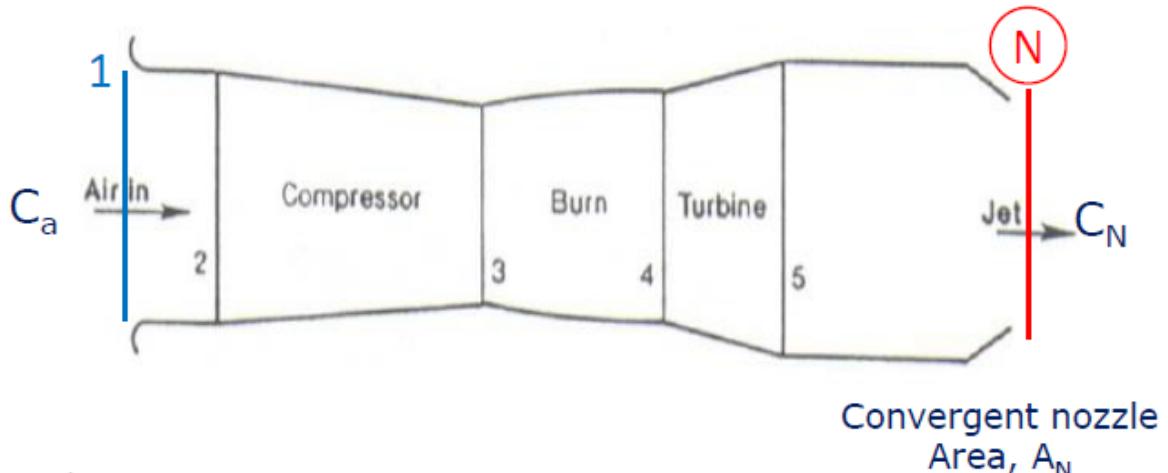
Mass flow through nozzle is:

$$\dot{m} = \rho_N \times A_N \times C_N$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{\dot{m}}{\dot{m}} = \frac{1}{(\rho_5 \times C_5)} = 0.00604 \text{ m}^2\text{s/kg}$$

$$\text{And so specific thrust, } F_s = (571 - 240) + 0.00604(71000 - 26400) = 331 + 269 = 600 \text{ N per kg/s}$$

$$\text{And } SFC = \frac{\dot{m}_f}{F} = \frac{FAR \times m}{F} = \frac{FAR}{F_s} = \frac{0.0195 \times 3600}{600} = 0.117 \text{ kg/h N}$$



# Key take-aways of Lecture 2

- Recap on basic relationships
- To show the ideal efficiency of the Joule or Brayton Cycle.
- To calculate the main characteristics of a practical turbojet.
- Worked example

# What's in Lectures 3&4?

- Aircraft gas turbine **design point and off-design performance**
- Performance of
  - Intakes
  - Nozzle types
  - Turbo-prop performance
- Fundamental dimensionless parameters
- Variation of thrust and fuel consumption with inlet conditions