

# ENGINE – AIRFRAME INSTALLATION

## Lecture 5

### Objectives Lecture 5:

To detail the issues arising from the installation of a propulsion system into a vehicle.

### Topics:

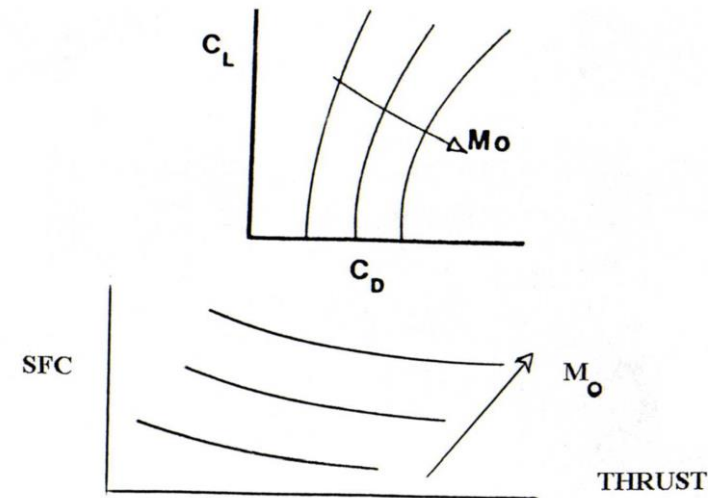
- *Introduction*
- *Thrust/Drag Accounting*
- *Nacelle Geometry*
- *Installed Drag*



# AIR VEHICLE PERFORMANCE

- To calculate Air Vehicle Performance (in steady 1 'g' flight) the following are needed:

- The drag & mass of the aircraft (usually in the form of drag polars & weight breakdowns)
- Engine thrust & fuel flow (characteristics usually in tabular form or as an "Engine Deck")



- Combining the drag polars with the engine performance gives the Air Vehicle performance

**BUT**

***The Aircraft effects the Engine & the Engine effects the Aircraft***



# EFFECT OF ENGINE ON AIRFRAME

## Intake Flow:

- Flow into Intake can effect fuselage and wing aerodynamics

## Exhaust Flow:

- Scrubbing over fuselage can effect Drag & give rise to structural problems
- Exhaust Flow at certain values of incidence can cause instabilities & fatigue problems on Fin & tailplane
- Propeller slipstream can have a significant effect on both wing & tailplane aerodynamics and on the airframe structural design due to the levels of noise & vibration.



# EFFECT OF AIRFRAME ON ENGINE

**Engine is the source of secondary power and bleed air:**

- Power to run systems
- Air for cabin conditioning & cooling etc.

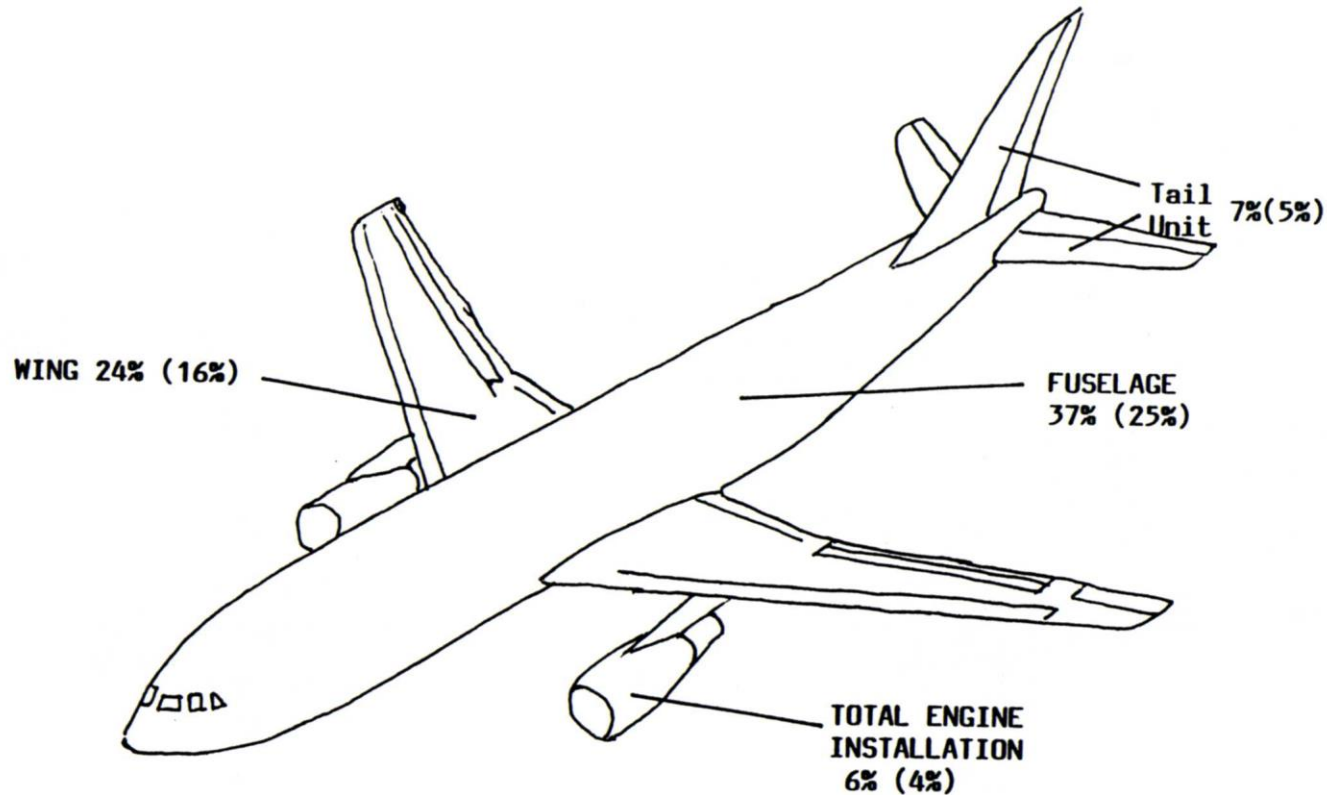
## **Nozzles**

- Special Nozzles can effect Engine Performance
- Vectoring Nozzles may be needed for combat manoeuvring and STOVL



## Typical Drag Breakdown for Subsonic Airliner

*Profile Drag as a percentage of Total Drag*

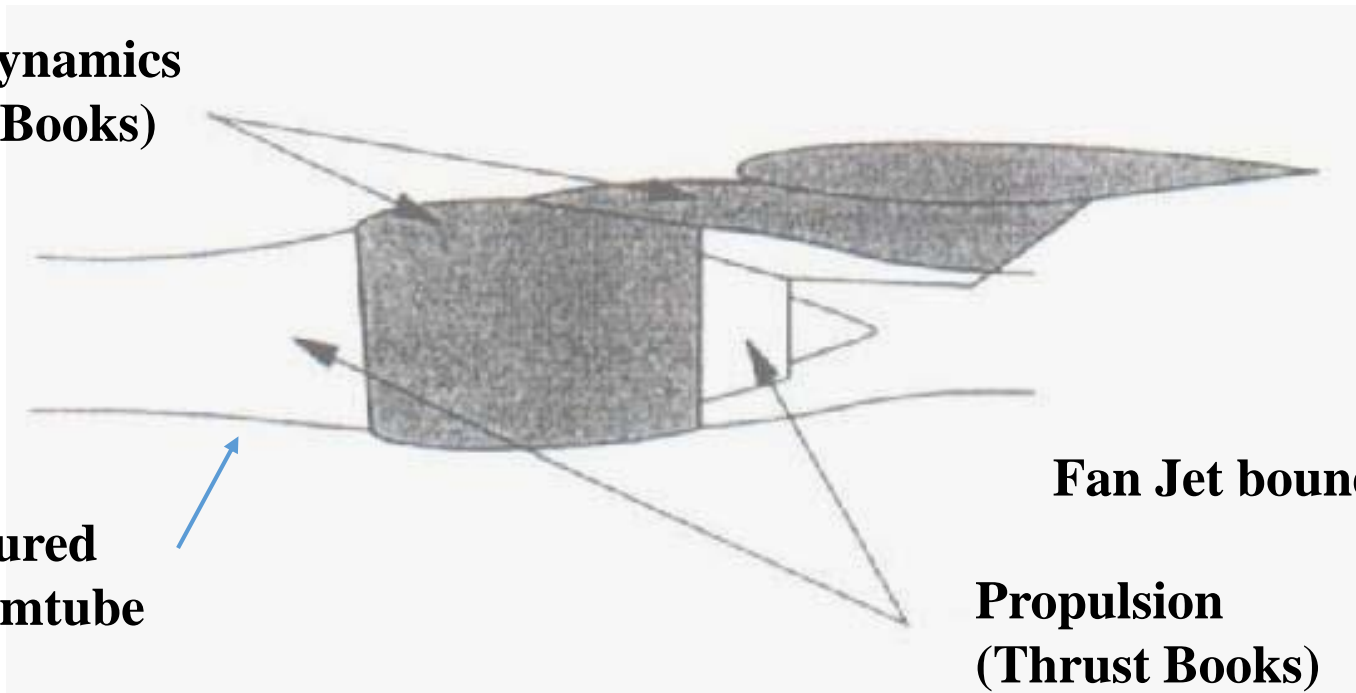


- **At Cruise Speed (at Minimum Drag Speed)**
- *Lift-Induced Drag*      ~ 25% (50%)
- *Profile Drag*              ~ 75% (50%)

# Thrust/Drag Book-keeping Scheme

**Aerodynamics  
(Drag Books)**

**Captured  
Streamtube**



**Fan Jet boundary**

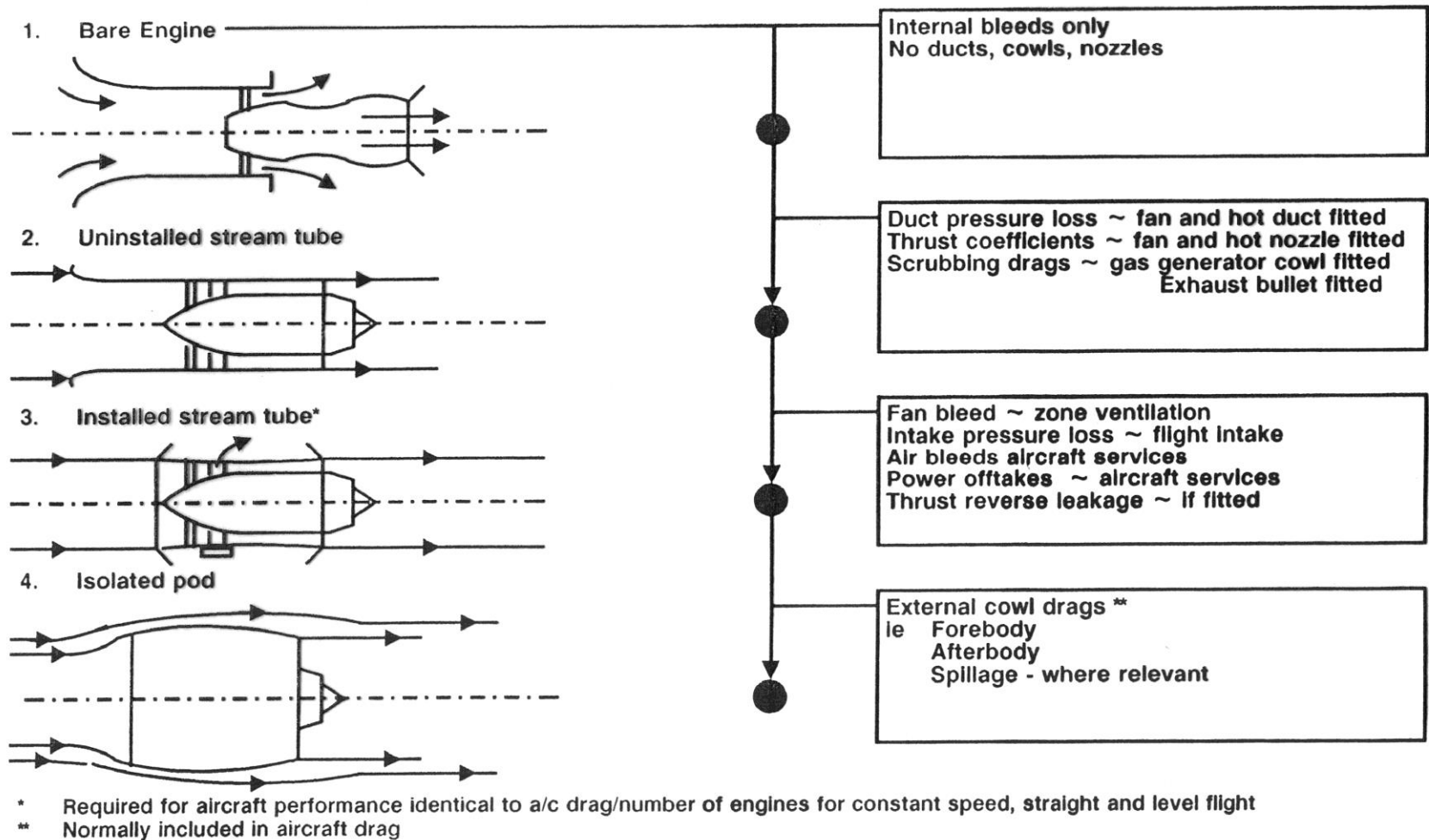
**Propulsion  
(Thrust Books)**

**Thrust** is the summation of the forces acting on the internal surfaces of the engine nacelle & pre-entry & post-exit stream-tubes from minus to plus infinity.

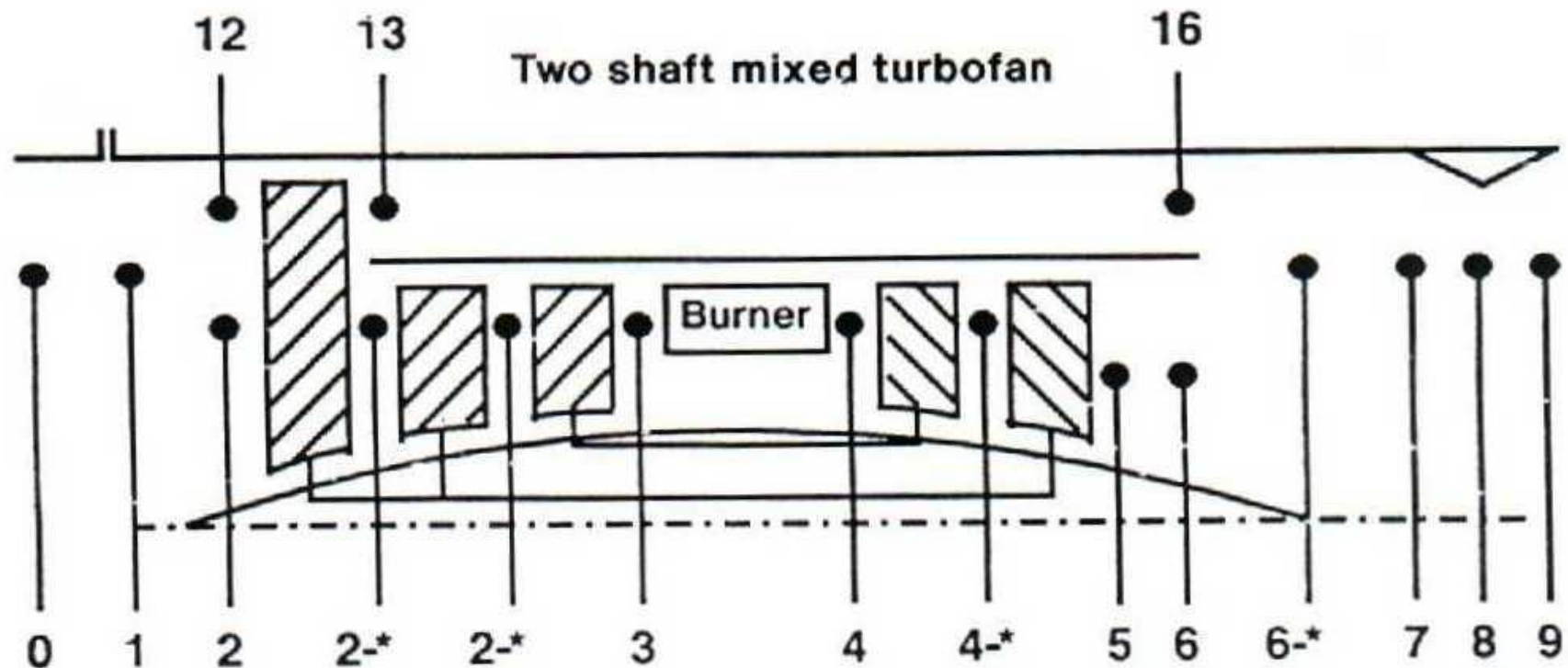
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# Installed Performance Definition - 1



# STATION NUMBERING & NOMENCLATURE

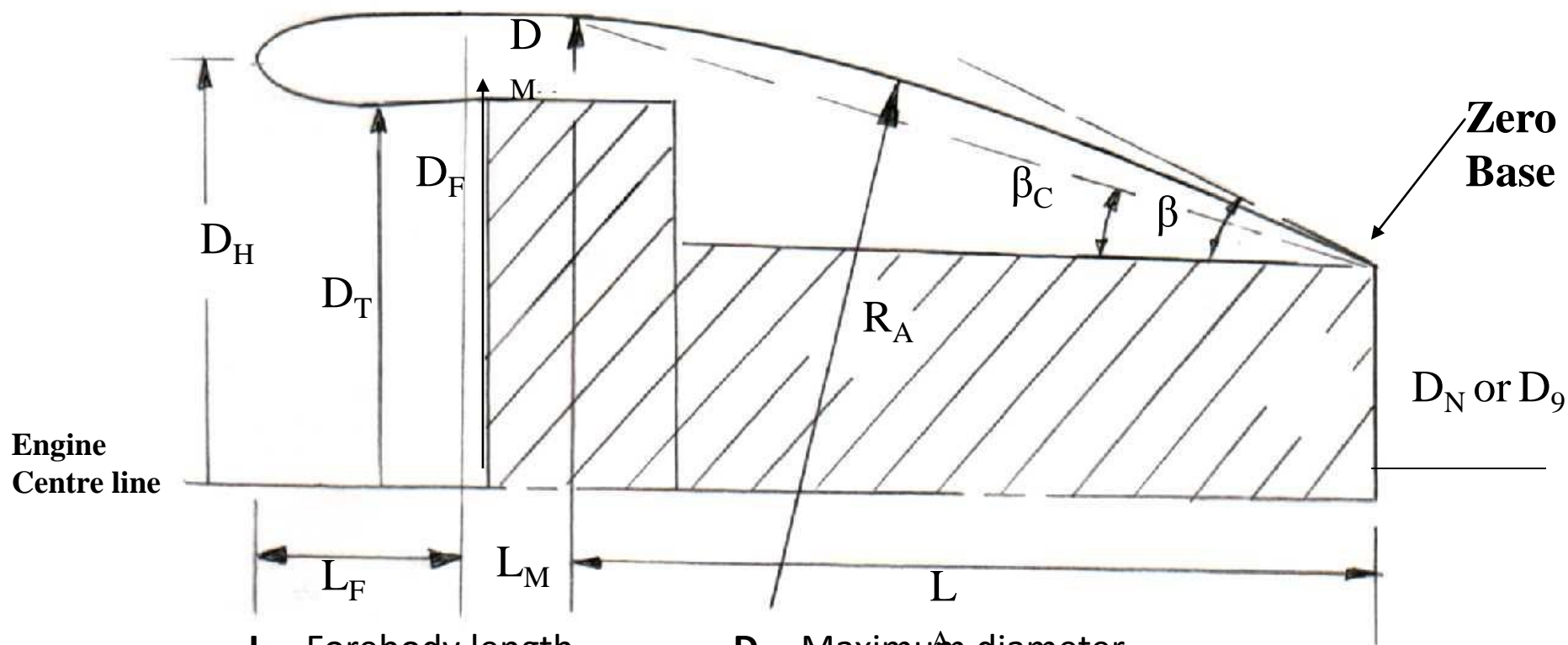


The international standard is ARP755A.  
However most companies use their own variations.



# Subsonic Nacelle Geometry

*Simplified axi-symmetric pod with circular arc afterbody*



$L_F$  Forebody length

$L_M$  Mid-section length

$L_A$  Afterbody length

$R_A$  Afterbody radius

$\beta_c$  Afterbody chord angle

$\beta$  Boat-tail half angle

$D_M$  Maximum diameter

$D_H$  Highlight diameter

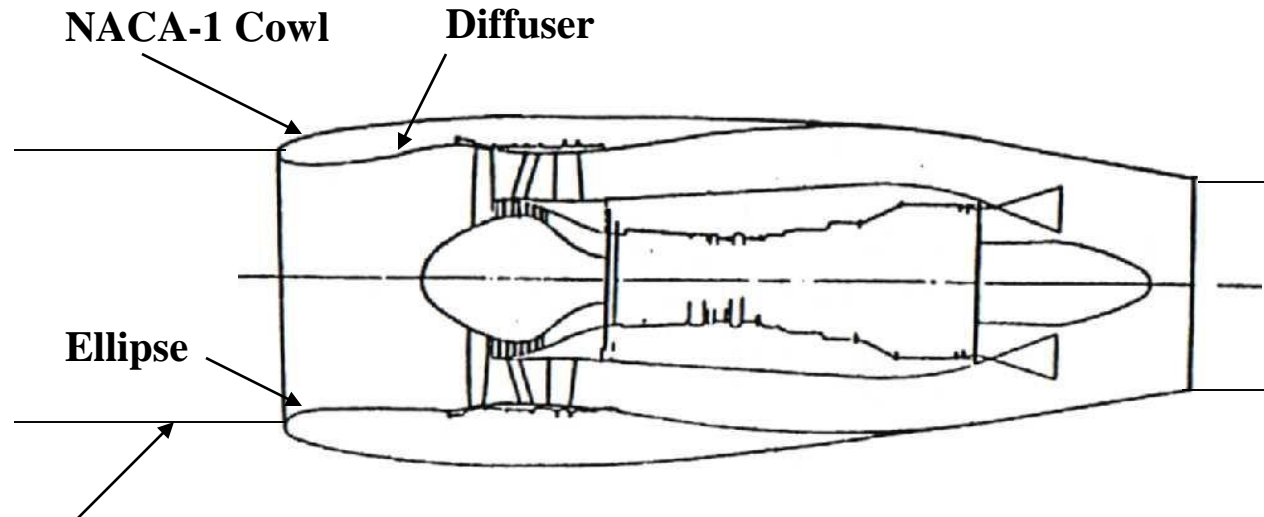
$D_T$  Throat diameter

$D_F$  Fan diameter

$D_N, D_9$  Nozzle diameter



# Major Characteristics of Forebody



Full flow stagnation streamtube

## NACA-1 Series Ordinates

$x/\ell$	$y/Y$	$x/\ell$	$y/Y$
0	0	0.260	0.6035
0.004	0.0663	0.300	0.6489
0.008	0.0933	0.340	0.6908
0.015	0.1272	0.380	0.7294
0.025	0.1657	0.420	0.7648
0.035	0.1994	0.460	0.7974
0.050	0.2436	0.500	0.8269
0.080	0.3181	0.580	0.8795
0.110	0.3815	0.660	0.9220
0.140	0.4366	0.740	0.9548
0.170	0.4840	0.820	0.9787
0.200	0.5270	0.900	0.9940
0.230	0.5666	1.000	1.0000

## MAJOR CHARACTERISTICS

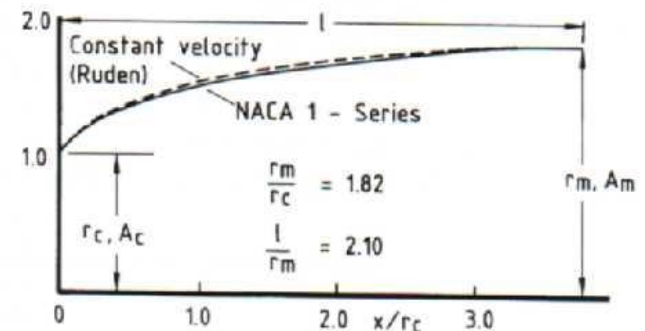
Max Diam  $\sim 1.21 \times$  Fan Diameter

Throat Mach 0.7 – 0.75

$A_h/A_{th}$  1.2 – 1.35

Diffuser Ratio

Fan Face Area to Throat Area 1.25 – 1.35



Comparison of NACA-1 series and Ruden's constant-velocity profiles.

## Nacelle, Pylon & Interference Drag

$$\Delta \frac{D_o}{q} = CD \cdot S_{REF} = C_f \cdot S_A \cdot F Fi$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot V^2$$

- $S_{REF}$  = Reference Area for vehicle (usually wing area)

- $C_f$  = Skin Friction Coefficient:

$$C_f = 0.455 \times (\log_{10} Re)^{-2.58} \quad (Prandtl-Schlichting)$$

- Reynolds Number  $Re$  based upon pod length or pylon chord
- $S_A$  = Surface area of pod (pylons)

## Nacelle, Pylon & Interference Drag

$$\Delta \frac{D_o}{q} = CD \cdot S_{REF} = C_f \cdot S_A \cdot F F_i$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot V^2$$

- **F** = Form Factor i.e. (integrated pressure distribution)
- **F<sub>i</sub>** = Installation Interference factor.
- **F F<sub>i</sub> ~ 1.0**
  - for well designed rear fuselage mounted engines & low slung underwing nacelles (close coupled underwing installations have F F<sub>i</sub> have in excess of 1 see later lecture).
  - Surface Area of pod from geometry.
- Assumes full flow entry streamtube, static pressure at nozzle exit plane is equal to free-stream static pressure & jet velocity similar to free-stream velocity.

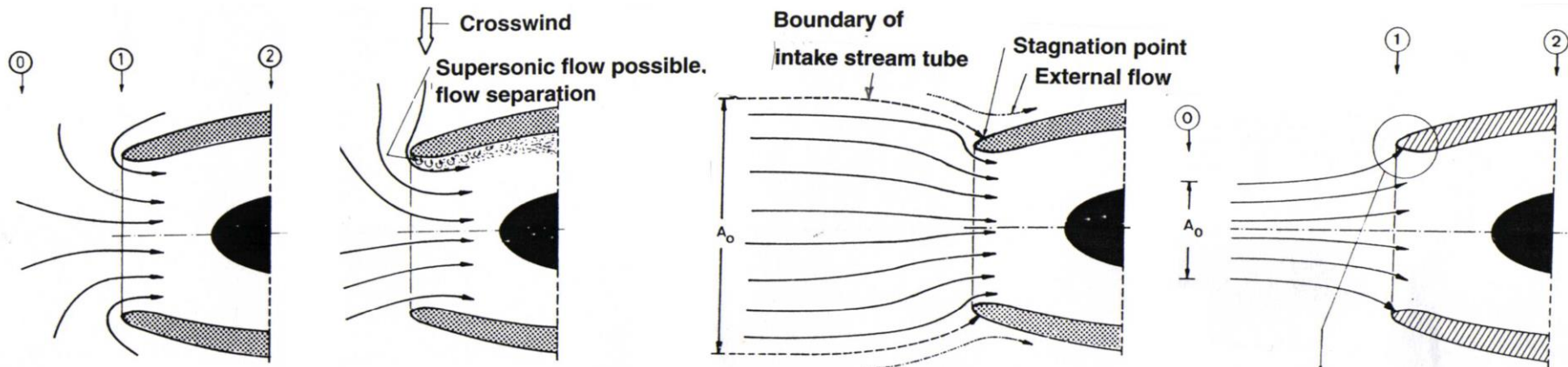
# Intake Flow-fields

AIRCRAFT AT REST

STATIC + CROSSWIND

LOW-SPEED FLIGHT

HIGH-SPEED FLIGHT



**MFCR >> 1**

**MFCR > 1**

<sup>1</sup> Note: Mach Number at compressor face ~ 0.6

Mass Flow Capture Ratio:

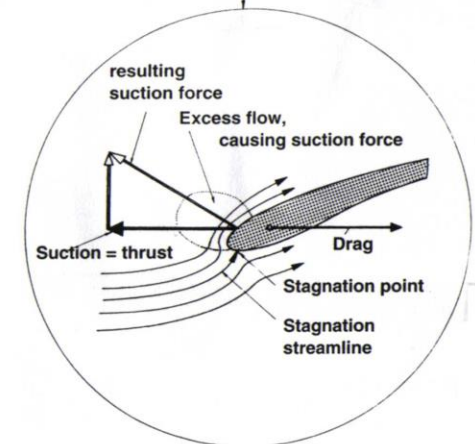
$$MFCR = A_o/A_i = \frac{\rho_i \cdot C_i}{\rho_o \cdot C_o}$$

$\rho$  = density,

$A_o$  = Upstream Flow Area;

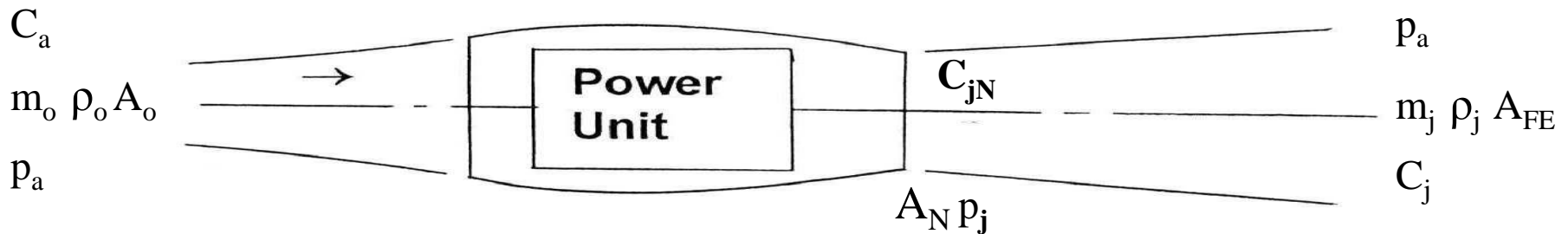
$C$  = Velocity

$A_i$  = Intake Highlight Area



**MFCR < 1**

# THRUST DEFINITIONS



**Fully-expanded Net Thrust:** Gross thrust at infinity downstream minus intake momentum drag

$$F_{N'} = F_{G_\infty} - F_{G_o} = (\dot{m}_j \cdot C_j - \dot{m}_o \cdot C_a) = \rho_j \cdot A_{FE} \cdot C_j^2 - \rho_o \cdot A_o \cdot C_a^2$$

**Standard Net Thrust** Gross thrust at Nozzle Plane minus intake momentum drag

$$F_N = F_{GN} - F_{Go} = \dot{m}_j \cdot C_{jN} + A_N (p_j - p_a) - \dot{m}_o \cdot C_a$$

• **Note:** This definition relies upon engine parameters only & is independent of installation

$F_{Go}$  = Intake Momentum Drag =  $\dot{m} \cdot C_a$

$\rho_o$  = Free stream density

$F_{G_\infty}$  = Ideal Fully-expanded Gross Thrust

$A_o$  = Intake Capture Area

$F_{GN}$  = Stream Gross Thrust

$\rho_j$  = Density of jet

$\dot{m}_o$  = Intake Mass flow =  $\rho_o A_o C_a$

$A_{FE}$  = Area of Fully Expanded Jet

$\dot{m}_j$  = Mass flow of jet =  $\rho_j A_{FE} C_j$

$A_N$  = Area of Jet at Nozzle

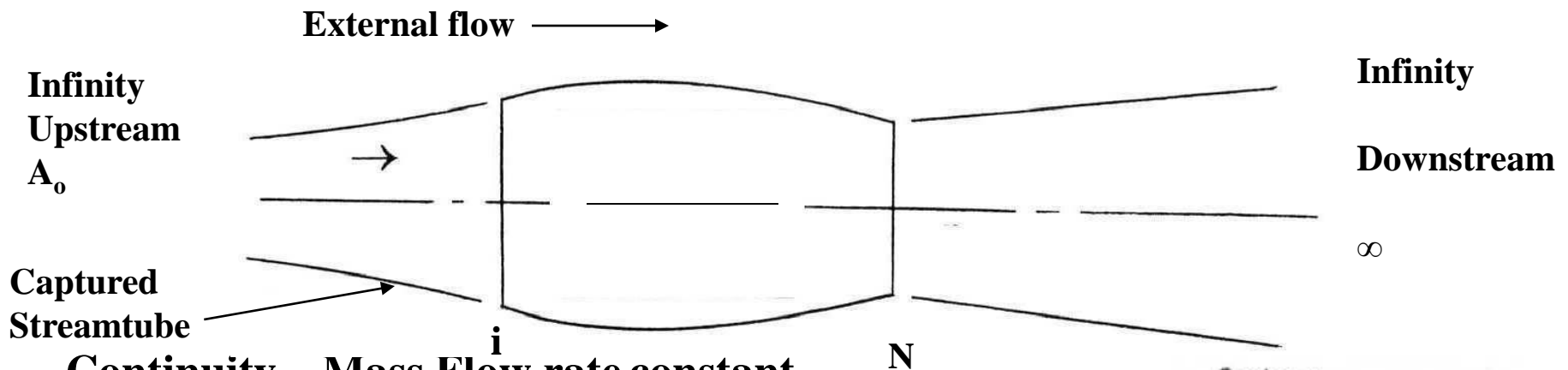
$C_a$  = Flight Velocity

$C_j$  = Fully expanded jet velocity

$C_{jN}$  = Velocity of jet at nozzle plane



# The Concept of the Aerodynamic Duct



Continuity ~ Mass Flow rate constant

$$\dot{m}_o = \rho_o \cdot A_o \cdot C_a$$

$$\dot{m}_i = \rho_i \cdot A_i \cdot C_i$$

$$\text{Mass Flow Capture Ratio } MFCR = \frac{A_o}{A_i} = \frac{\rho_i \cdot C_i}{\rho_o \cdot C_o}$$

$\rho$  = density

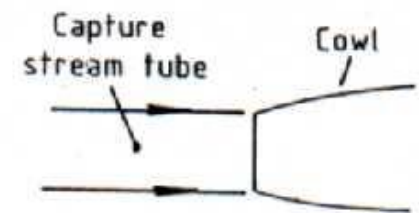
$C$  = Velocity

$A_o$  = Upstream Flow Area

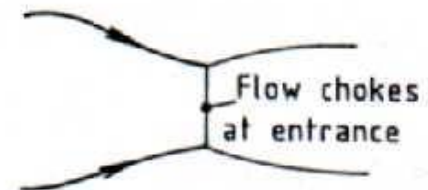
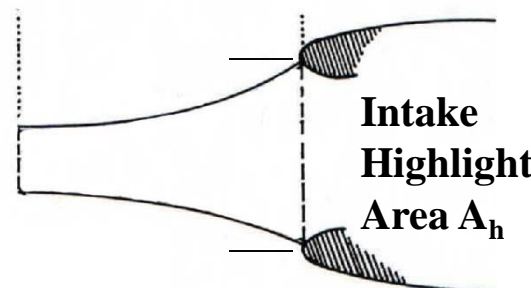
$A_i$  = Intake Highlight Area

For incompressible flow

✓  $MFCR = \frac{C_i}{C_o}$

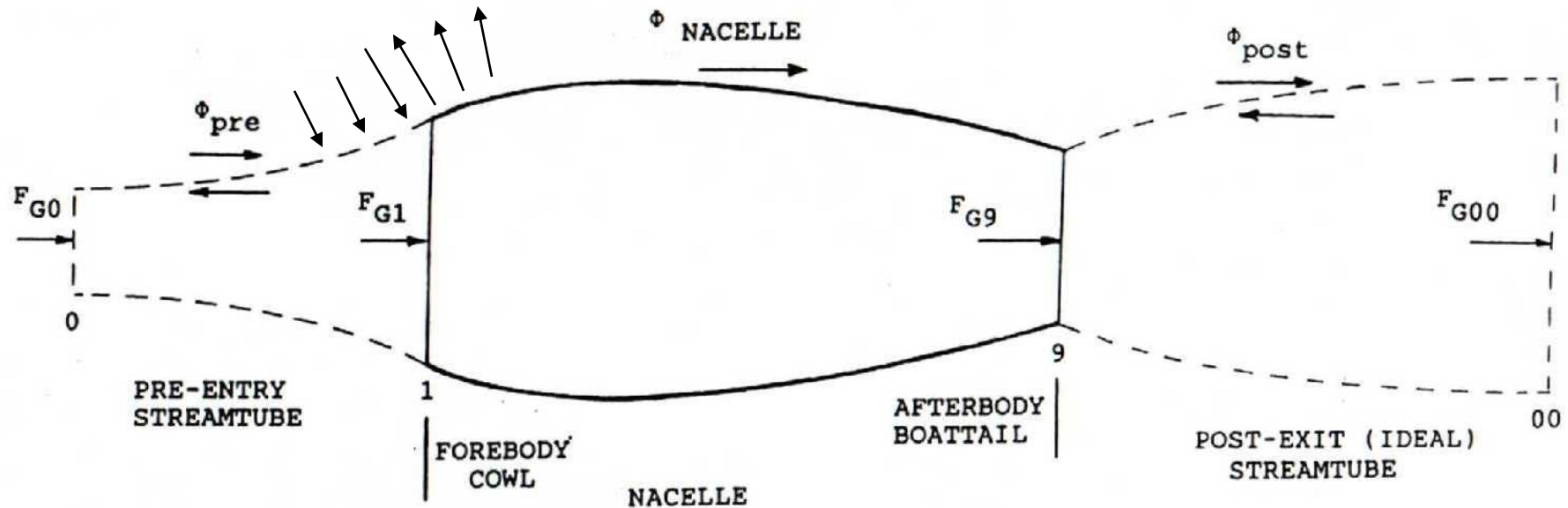


Full flow, subsonic



Maximum flow

# Forces acting on a Single-stream Nacelle



**Thrust** is the summation of the forces acting on the internal surfaces of the engine nacelle & pre-entry & post-exit stream-tubes from minus to plus infinity.

**Drag** is the summation of the forces acting on the external surfaces of the nacelle & pre-entry & post-exit stream-tubes from minus to plus infinity.

$F_{G0}$  = Intake Momentum Drag =  $\dot{m} \cdot C_a$

$F_{G\infty}$  = Ideal Fully-expanded Gross Thrust

$F_G$  = Stream Gross Thrust

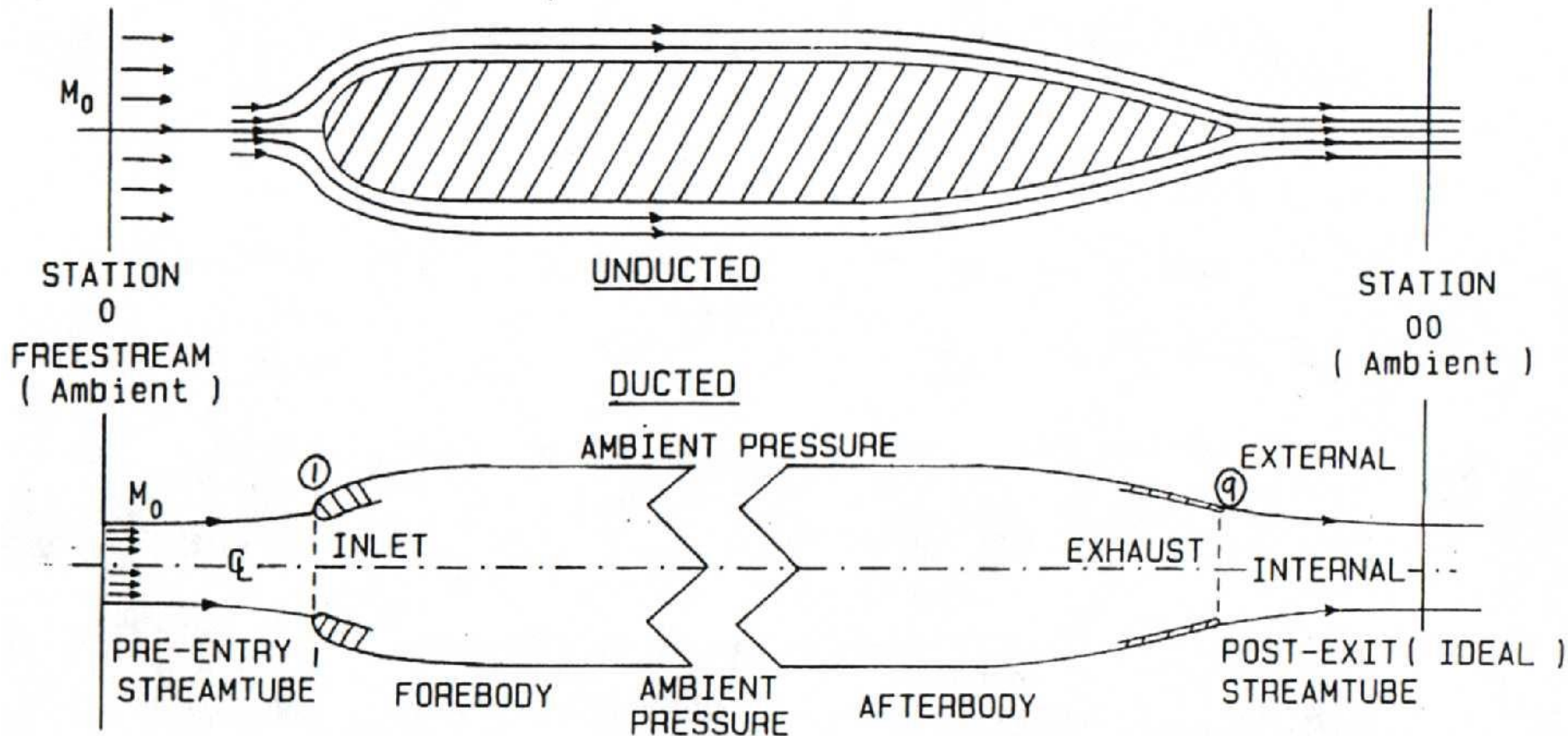
$\Phi$  = Nacelle & Streamtube Forces

$\Phi_{pre}$  = Force on pre-entry streamtube

$\Phi_{post}$  = Force on post-exit streamtube

$\Phi_{pre}$  = Force on nacelle

## SEMI-INFINITE BODIES



For the purpose of analysis the nacelle can be divided into two semi-infinite bodies:

- from infinity upstream to the nacelle max diameter



- from the nacelle maximum diameter to infinity downstream

# Axial Forces in Inviscid & Real Flows

- **d'Alembert's Paradox:**

- The net force on a closed non-lifting body in isolation in infinite subsonic, potential flow is zero.

- **Prandtl Extension to d'Alembert's paradox:**

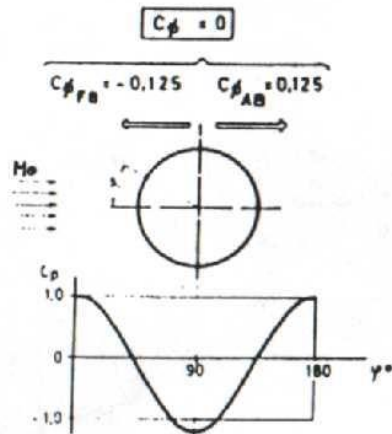
- The net force on an infinite or semi-infinite body in subsonic, potential flow is zero.

- ***NOTE:*** Though the total drag of a body is zero, non-zero forces act in different axial directions on parts of the body. Thus a clear distinction must be made between the force on part of the body and the drag of that part of the body.

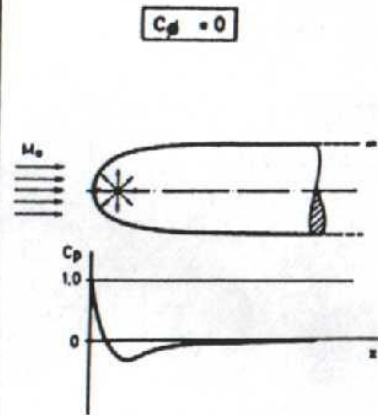
# PRESSURE FORCES ON UNDUCTED BODIES

## INVISCID FLOW

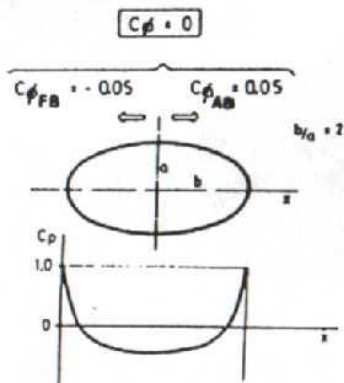
### SPHERE



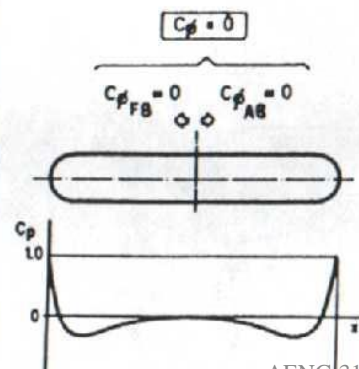
### HALFBODY



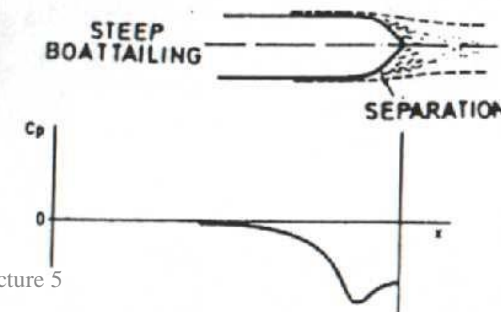
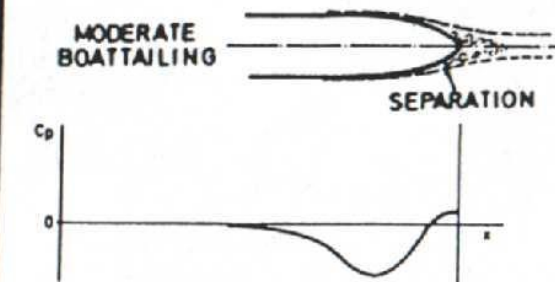
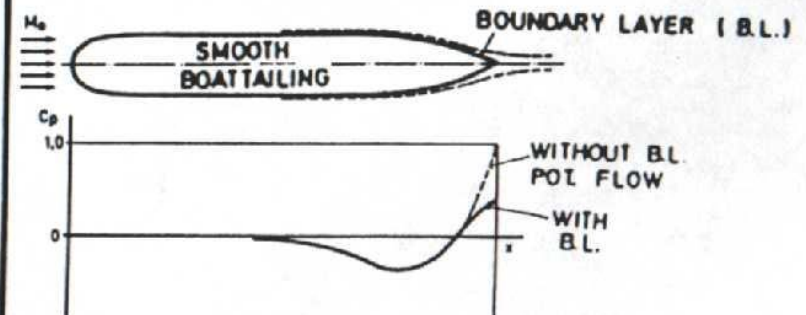
### ELLIPSOID OF REVOLUTION



### ELLIPSOID WITH CYL. MIDBODY

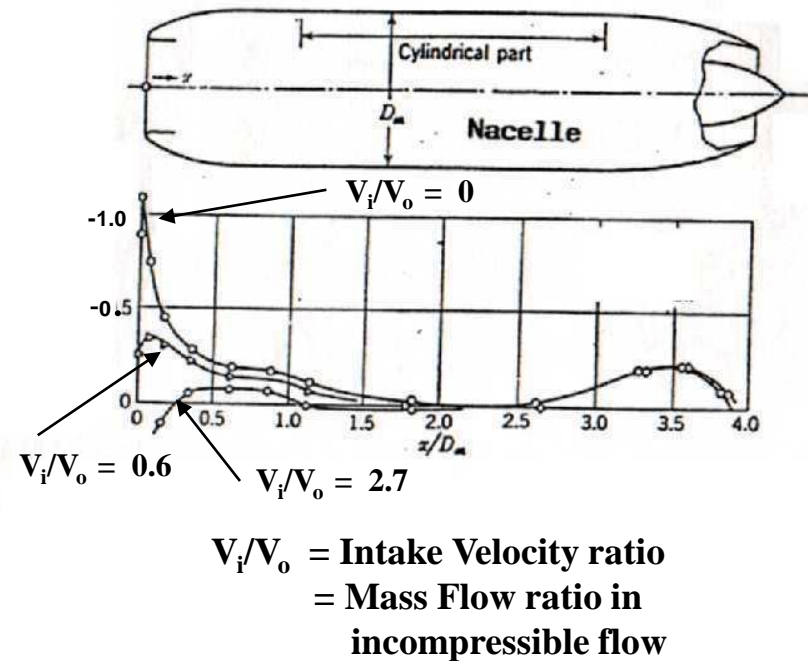


## VISCOUS FLOW

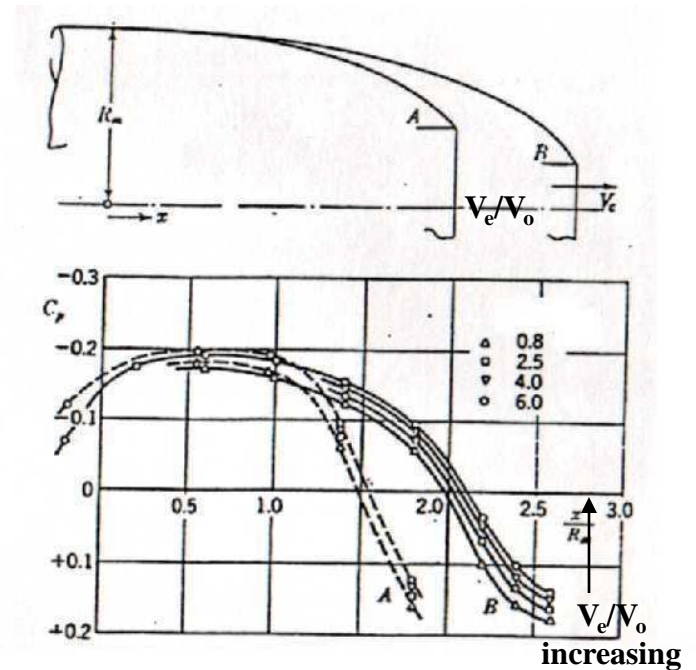


# Static Pressures on a Nacelle & Afterbody

## Experimental Results



Pressure distribution along a nacelle



Pressure distribution along an afterbody



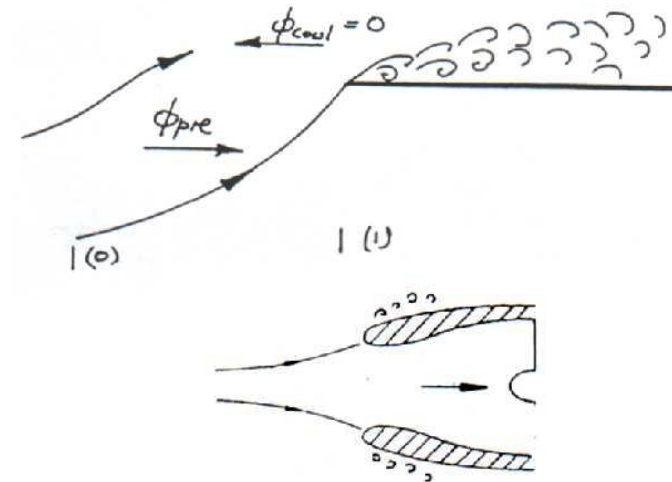
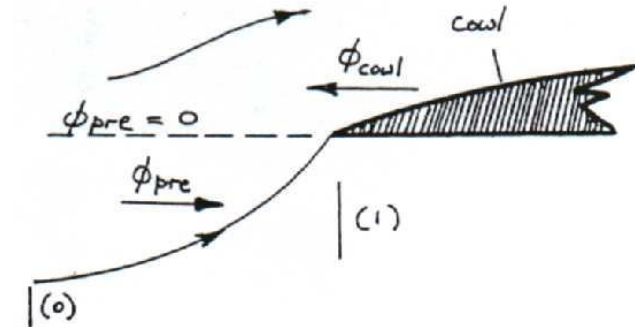
# Pre-entry Force

- Assuming a semi-infinite body, then from Prandtl/d'Alembert :

$$\Phi_{pre} + \Phi_{cowl, pot} = 0$$

$$D_c = \Phi_{cowl} - \Phi_{cowl, pot}$$

- Hence:  $D_c = \Phi_{pre} + \Phi_{cowl}$
- Under normal operating conditions then the  $\Phi_{pre}$  balances  $\Phi_{cowl}$  and the cowl drag is simply that due to skin friction & form.



**At very low intake mass flows, separation will occur over lip**

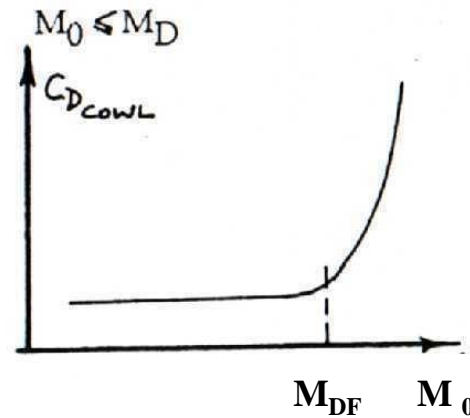
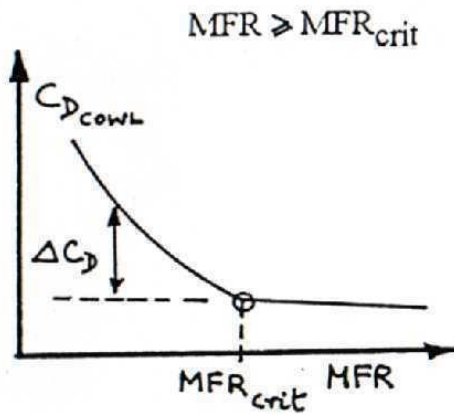
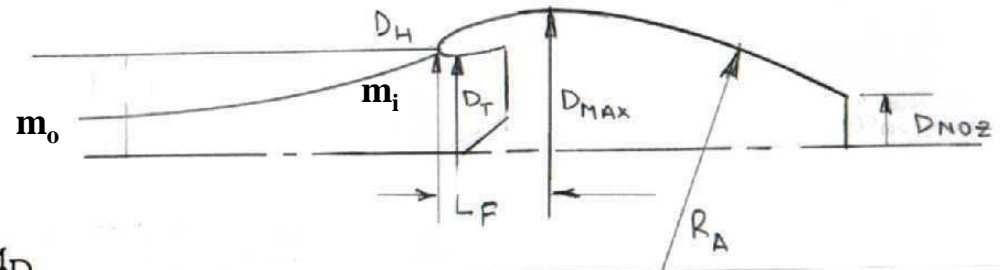
# Typical Nacelle Forebody Drag Characteristics

## Empirical relationships

Mass Flow Capture Ratio:

$$MFCR = A_o/A_i = \frac{\rho_i \cdot C_i}{\rho_o \cdot C_o}$$

$\rho$  = density;  $A_o$  = Upstream Flow Area  
 $C$  = Velocity;  $A_i$  = Intake Highlight Area



## Forebody Drag Rise Mach Number

$$M_{DF} = M_{Cruise} + 0.1$$

$$M_{DF} = 1 - \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{1 - \left( \frac{D_H}{D_M} \right)^2} \frac{L_F}{L_M}$$

## Critical Mass Flow Ratio

$$MFR_{crit} = \left[ 1 - \frac{4 \left( 1 - \frac{D_H}{D_M} \right)^2}{\frac{L_F}{L_M}} \right]^{5/2}$$

## Post-exit Force

- Assuming a semi-infinite body, Prandtl/d'Alembert :

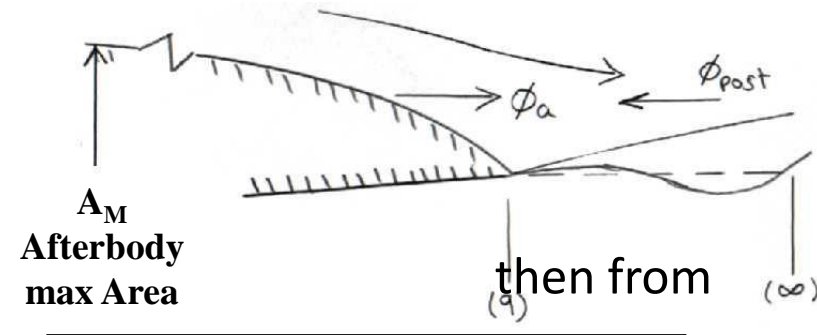
$$\Phi_{post} + \Phi_{cpot} = 0$$

$$D_a = \Phi_a - \Phi_{apot}$$

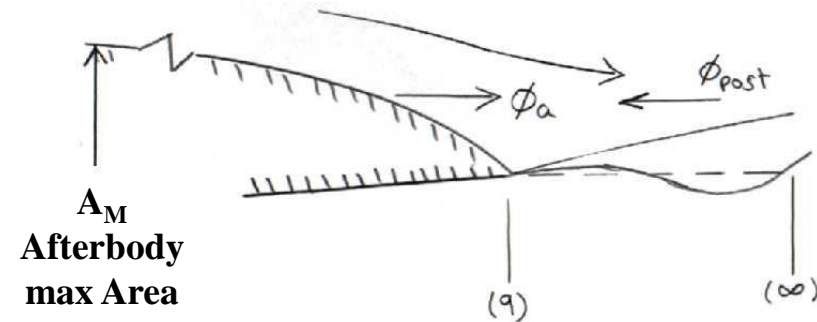
- In the ideal flow case:

$$\Phi_{post} = FG_9 - FG_\infty$$

- Where  $F_{G_\infty}$  is the ideal, potential-flow or isentropic gross thrust that exists at fully expanded engine exhaust conditions
- As the post-exit force represents the difference between two gross thrusts, it is called **Post-Exit Thrust**.



## Post-exit Force

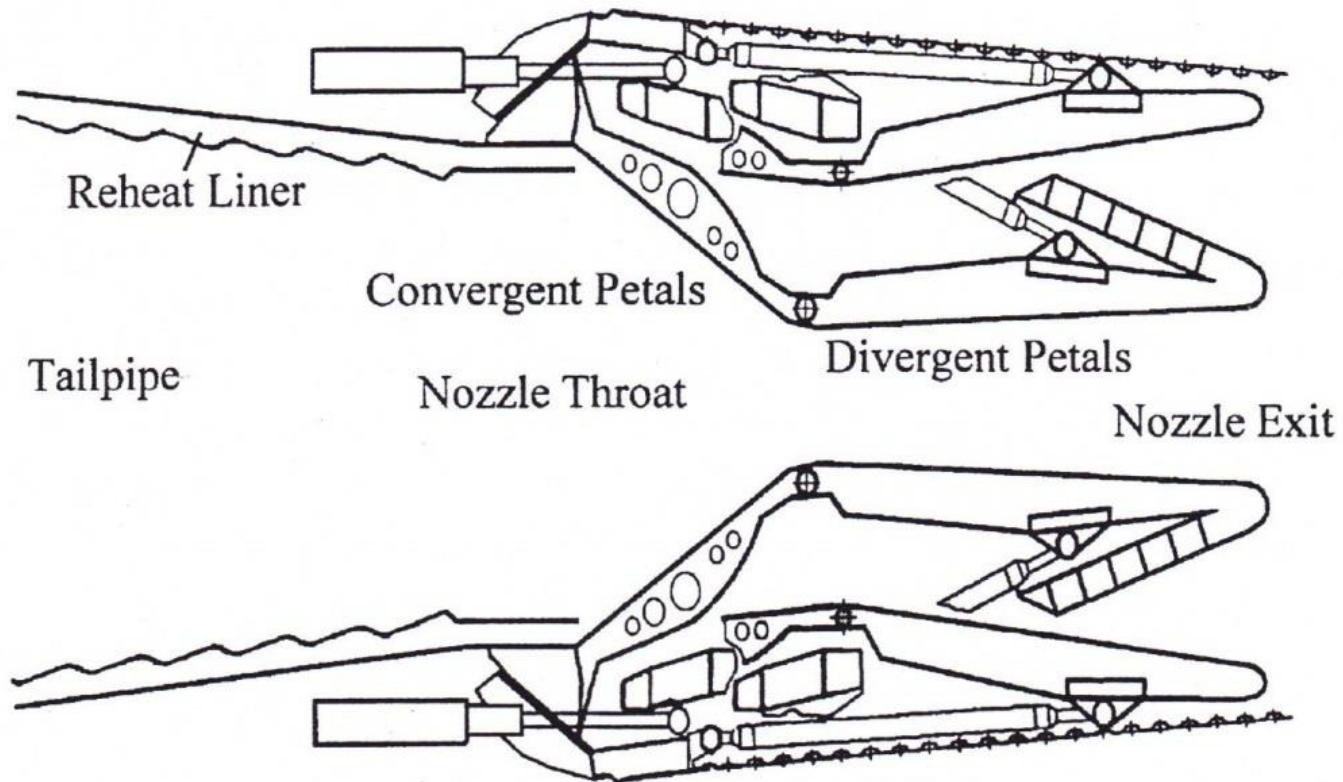


- In general the exhaust static pressure  $P_{o9}$  is not equal to the ambient static pressure  $P_a$ .
- $(P_{o9} - P_a) < 0$ ; the exhaust flow is said to be OVEREXPANDED
- $(P_{o9} - P_a) = 0$ ; the exhaust flow is said to be FULLYEXPANDED
- $(P_{o9} - P_a) > 0$ ; the exhaust flow is said to be UNDEREXPANDED

Note the Nozzle Pressure ratio = Nozzle Total Pressure/ambient pressure =  $P_{o9}/P_a$

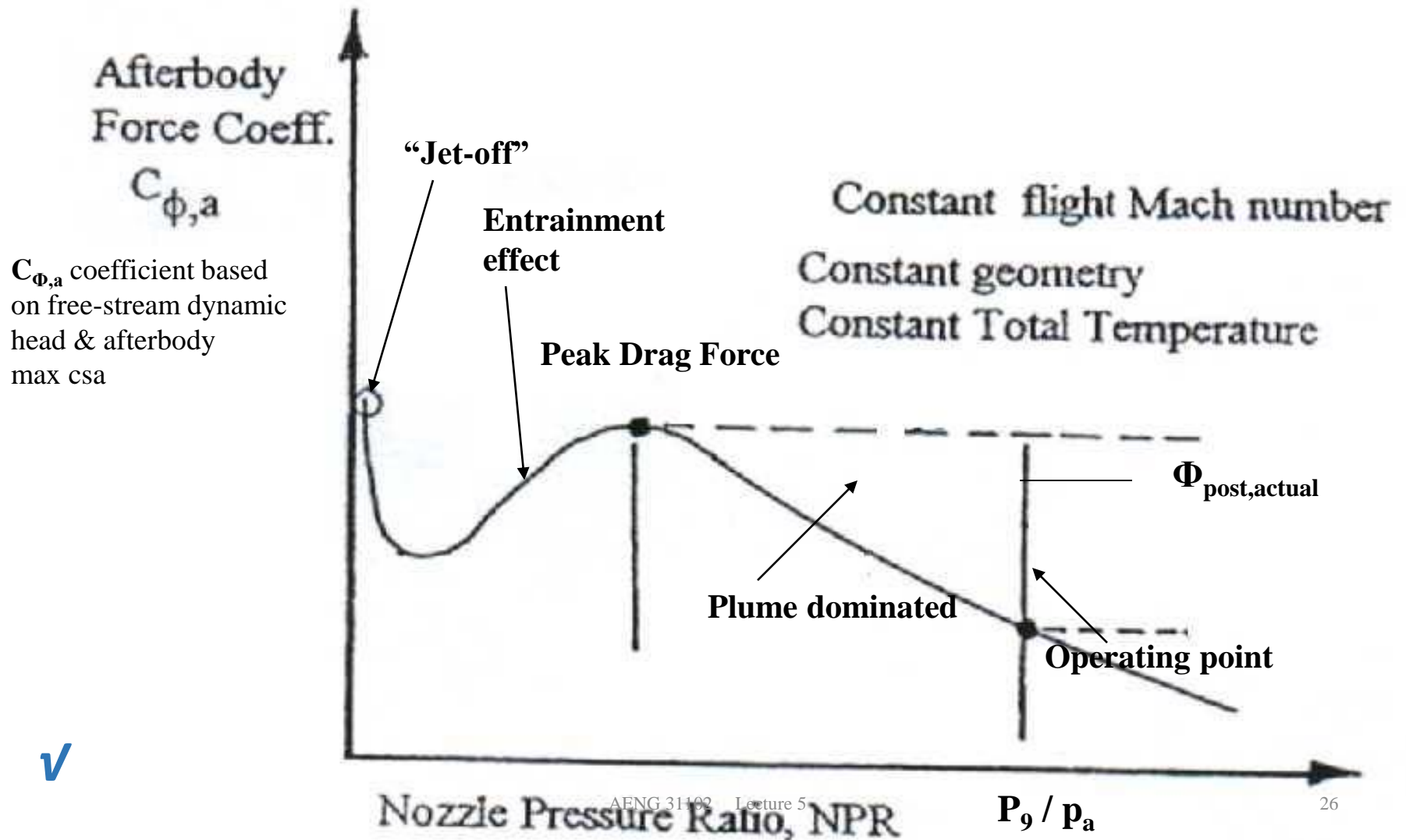
- In the ideal case when the engine exhaust flow is fully expanded so that  $P_{o9} = P_a$ , then the gross thrust  $F_{G9} = F_{G\infty}$  (the gross thrust at  $\infty$  downstream)
- The post-exit stream tube area is constant between stations (9) & ( $\infty$ ) and  $\Phi_{\text{post}} = 0$

## Con-Di Nozzle



# Afterbody Force Co-efficient

*Typical Empirical Data*





# Key Points from Lecture 5

- Though often treated as separate entities – the airframe affects the engine & the engine effects the airframe.
- There is a “standard” Thrust Drag accounting method to ensure consistency in the overall analysis of platform performance. ✓
- A proper understanding of the interaction between the engine & airframe is essential for the design of the optimum engine installation. ✓



**Typical Underwing Installation  
RB211 – 524 on a Boeing 747**

## Lecture 6

# Engine Placement

## Objective ~ Lecture 6

***To examine the issues arising from installing the propulsion system into a vehicle.***