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Rocket Science 101: Engineering and Propulsion



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Presenter: Larry de Quay, NASA Stennis Space Center
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Audience Question:

Have you ever seen a live space vehicle launch in person?

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Rocket Propulsion Applications

- Interplanetary Vehicles
- Planetary Orbiters
- Planetary Landers
- Earth Orbiting Satellites and Vehicles
- Launch Vehicles
- Ballistic Missiles
- Cruise Missiles

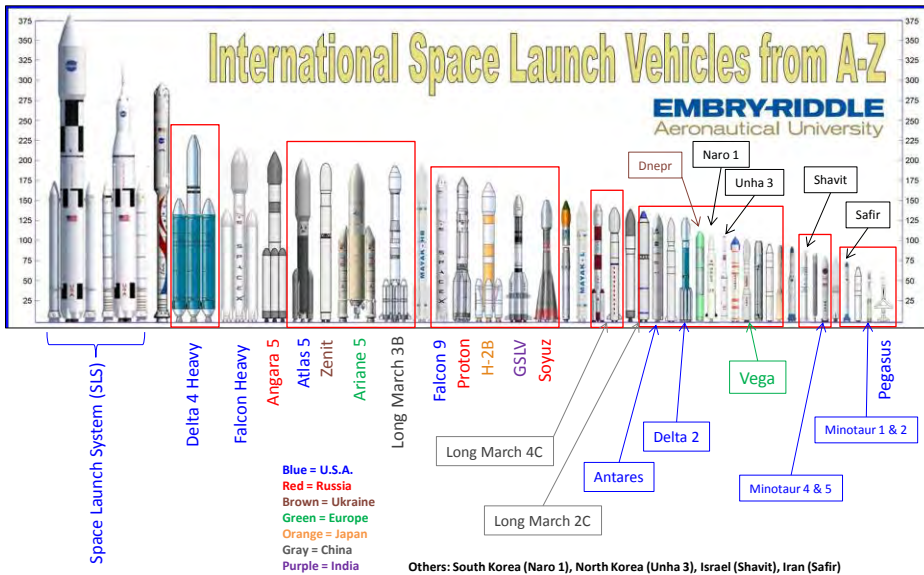
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Rocketry History

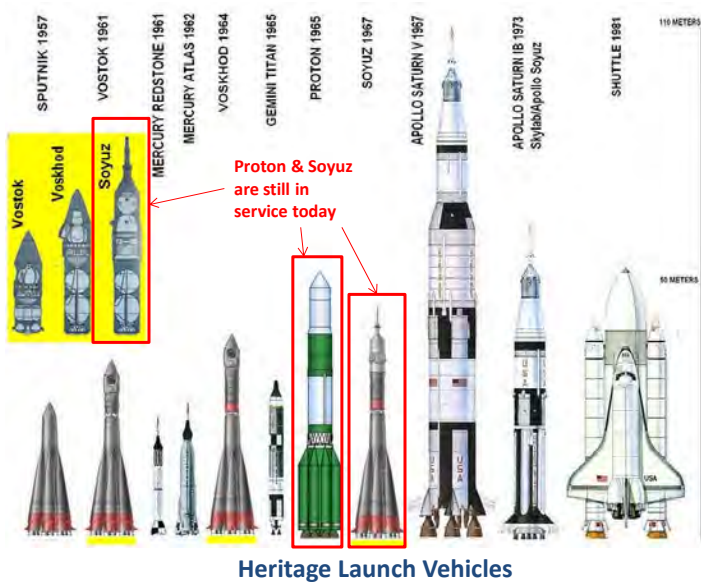
- c. 67 AD Hero of Alexandria's "aeolipile" rotating steam jet, basic principle of reaction used in jets & rockets
- ~970 AD Chinese invention of rockets; Feng Jishen is believed by many to be the main inventor.
- 1232 Battle of Kai-fung-fu. Incendiary powder packets were tied to arrows.
- 1275 Rockets used as weapons during Invasion of Japan by Kublai Kahn.
- 1379 Battle for Isle of Chiozza. Powder rockets used to set defending tower on fire.
- 1792 Battle of Seringapatam, Indian armies under Tipu Sultan used rockets against British.
- 1805 Powder rockets with 2000 yard range demonstrated by Congreve of England.
- 1806 British use Congreve rockets in attacks against Boulogne, France.
- 1807 Copenhagen razed by 25,000 powder rockets.
- 1814 British use rockets during War of 1812 in the United States, incl. Fort McHenry in Baltimore Harbor ("rockets' red glare" in the "Star Spangled Banner").
- 1903 Tsiolkovsky published first treatise on space travel advocating liquid rockets, "The Exploration of Cosmic Space by Means of Reaction Devices."
- 1919 Goddard wrote "A Method of Reaching Extreme Altitudes."
- 1923 Oberth wrote "The Rocket into Interplanetary Space."
- 1926 Goddard launched a liquid rocket to an altitude of 184 ft. in 2.5 sec.
- Opel flew aircraft propelled by solid rocket propellant charges mounted on a glider.
- 1935 Rocket launched to an altitude of 7500 ft. by Goddard.
- 1937 Peenemunde Research Institute established.
- 1938 Early model of V-2 attained altitude of 40,000 ft. and range of 11 miles.
- 1942 JATO's used in World War II.
- 1947 Rocket-powered Bell X-1 completed first piloted supersonic flight in history.
- 1956 Bell X-2 reached altitude of 126,000 ft. and speed of 2150 mph.
- 1957 Sputnik launched (first man-made satellite).
- 1958 Explorer I launched (America's first satellite).
- 1961 Yuri Gagarin launched into orbit on Vostok I (first person in space).
- 1969 Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin land and then walk on the moon.



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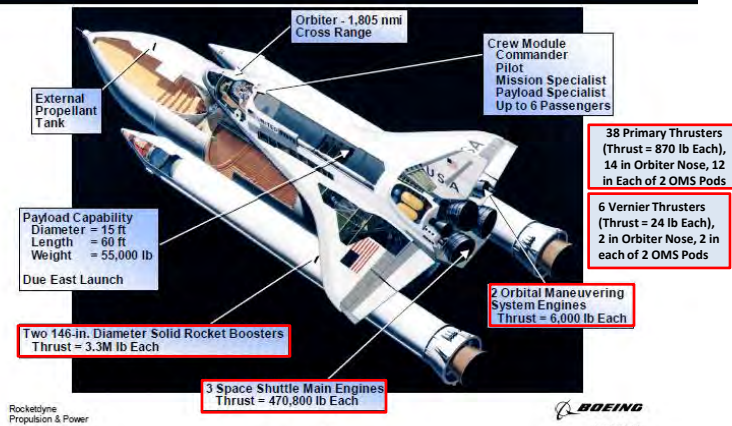


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Rocket Engines on a Space Flight Vehicle; first example Space Shuttle



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Antares Expanded View

- Launch Vehicle
- Diameter: 3.9 m
 - Height: 40.0 m
 - Mass: 290,000 kg

Stage 2

- ATK CASTOR® 30B solid motor (CASTOR 120 Heritage) with thrust vectoring



Stage 1

- Two Aerojet AJ26-62 engines each with independent thrust vectoring
- Liquid oxygen/kerosene fueled
- Orbital responsible for system development and integration
- Core tank design and design verification by KB Yuzhnoye (Zenit-derived heritage)
- Core tank production by Yuzhmash

Cygnus Advanced Maneuvering Spacecraft

- Service Module incorporating avionics from Orbital's GEOStar bus and other product lines
- Pressurized Cargo Module based on Multi-Purpose Logistics Module
- 3.5 kw power output
- 2,000 kg mass standard/ 2,700 kg enhanced total cargo

Orbital Sciences Corporation Antares Launcher with Cygnus



Optional STAR 48-Based Third Stage:

- ATK STAR 48BV high energy upper stage solid rocket motor
- Thrust vector guidance and control
- 3-axis stabilized satellite orbit insertion

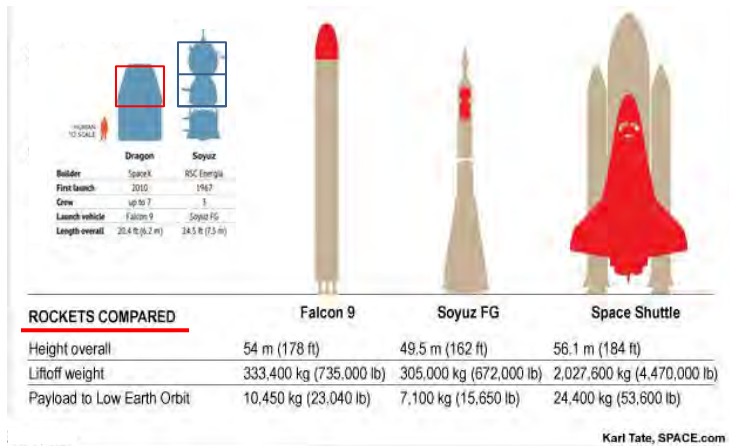


Optional Bi-Propellant Third Stage (BTS)

Helium pressure regulated bi-propellant propulsion system using nitrogen tetroxide and hydrazine (Orbital GEOStar™ bus heritage)

Rocket Engines on a Space Flight Vehicle; second example

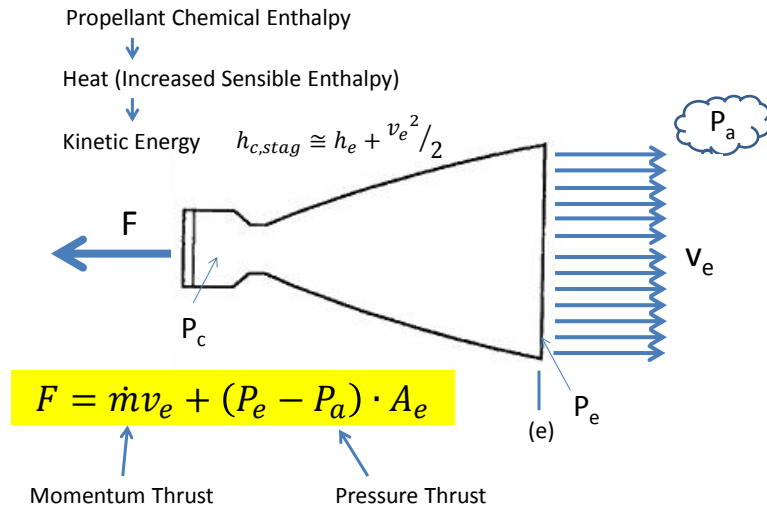
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Payload Size and Weight Comparisons of Two Currently Operational Space Launch Vehicles and the Space Shuttle

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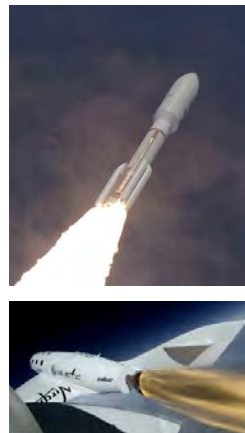
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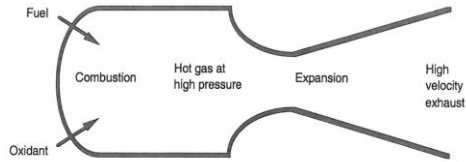
The Different Types of Chemical Rocket Engines

- Liquid (Propellant) Rocket Engines (LREs)
- Solid (Propellant) Rocket Engines (SREs)
- Hybrid Rocket Engines (HREs)

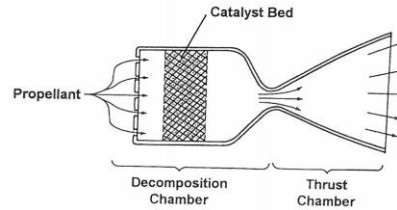


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Liquid Rocket Engines (LREs)



Bipropellant Type LRE



Monopropellant Type LRE

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Typical Propellants for LREs (Liquid Rocket Engines):

Name	Chemical Formula	Type	Saturation Temperature at 1 Bar		
			K	°R	°F
Liquid Fluorine	F ₂	Oxidizer	85.1	153.1	-306.6
Liquid Oxygen	O ₂	Oxidizer	165.2	297.4	-162.3
Nitrous Oxide	N ₂ O	Oxidizer	184.7	332.4	-127.3
Hydrogen Peroxide	H ₂ O ₂	Oxidizer or Monopropellant	424.2	763.6	303.9
Nitrogen Tetroxide (NTO)	N ₂ O ₄	Oxidizer	294.8	530.7	71.0
Liquid Hydrogen	H ₂	Fuel	20.3	36.6	-423.1
Liquid Methane	CH ₄	Fuel	111.8	201.2	-258.5
RP-1	CH _{1.953}	Fuel	475.7	856.2	396.5
Octane	C ₈ H ₁₈	Fuel	398.8	717.8	258.1
Ethanol	C ₂ H ₅ OH	Fuel	351.6	632.8	173.1
Isopropyl Alcohol (IPA)	C ₃ H ₇ OH	Fuel	355.4	639.7	180.0
Hydrazine	N ₂ H ₄	Fuel or Monopropellant	387.0	696.7	237.0
Monomethylhydrazine (MMH)	CH ₃ (NH)NH ₂	Fuel	364.3	655.7	196.0
Unsymmetrical Dimethylhydrazine (UDMH)	(CH ₃) ₂ N ₂ H ₂	Fuel	337.1	606.8	147.1
Hydroxyl Ammonium Nitrate (HAN)	H ₄ N ₂ O ₄	Monopropellant	>418	>752.4	>292.7
Nitromethane	CH ₃ NO ₂	Monopropellant	373.9	673.1	213.4
Nitroglycerin	C ₃ H ₅ N ₃ O ₉	Monopropellant	323.2	581.7	122.0
Tetranitromethane	CN ₄ O ₈	Monopropellant	398.7	717.7	258.0
Ethylene Nitrate	C ₂ H ₄ N ₂ O ₆	Monopropellant	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Sampling of LREs



RS-68
650 to 750 klb Thrust



2.43 m = 95.7"



J-2X

Cycle	GG
Thrust, vac (klbs)	294
Isp, vac (sec)	448
Pc (psia)	1,337
MR	5.5
AR	92
Weight (lbm), max	5,450
Secondary Mode MR	4.5
Secondary Mode PC	82%
Restart	Yes
Operational Starts	8
Operational Seconds	2,800
Length (in), Max	185
Exit Dia. (in), Max	120



RL10 ENGINE

THRUST - 15,000 LB (ALTITUDE)
 THRUST DURATION - 470 SEC
 SPECIFIC IMPULSE - 433 SEC
 ENGINE WT DRY - 288 LB
 EXIT TO THROAT AREA RATIO - 40 TO 1
 PROPELLANTS - LDX & LH₂
 PROPELLANT FLOW RATE - 35 LB/SEC

CONTRACTOR - PRATT & WHITNEY
 SYSTEM - SAT 1/3-1/6 ENGINES
 CERTAUR (2 ENGINES)

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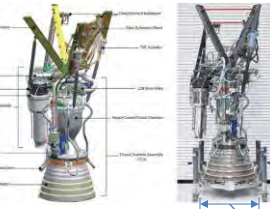


SSME (RS-25)
418 to 512 klb Thrust



2.40 m = 94"

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Merlin 1C 147 to 161 klb Thrust

1.68 m = 66"

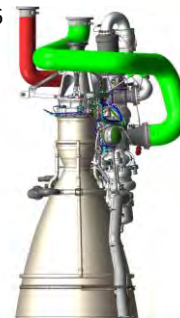


RD-180 860.6 to 933.4 klb Thrust



AJ-26

355 to 394 klb Thrust



2.0 m = 79"

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Solid Rocket Engines (SREs)

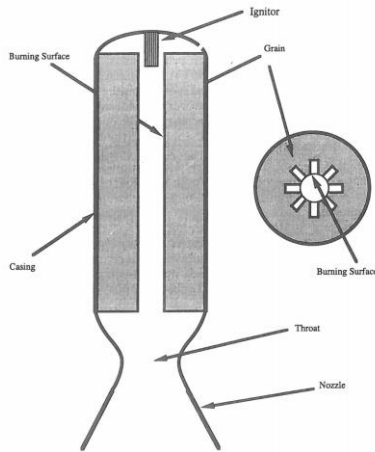
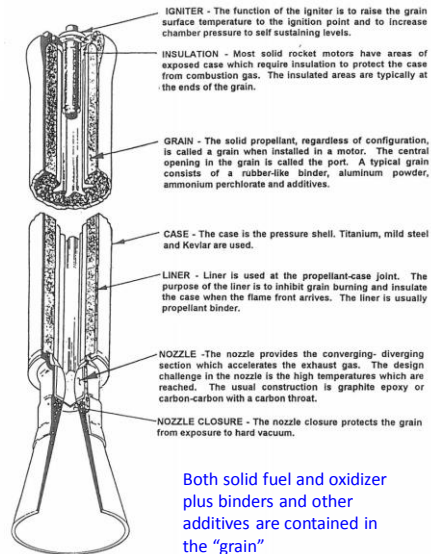


Figure 4.1. Schematic of a solid-fueled rocket motor.



Both solid fuel and oxidizer plus binders and other additives are contained in the "grain"

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Typical Fuels, Oxidizers, Binders, and Other Additives in SRE Propellant Grains

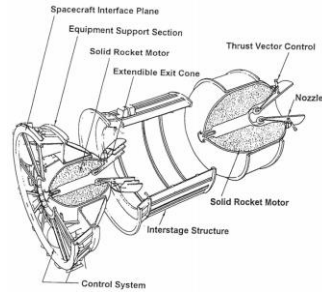
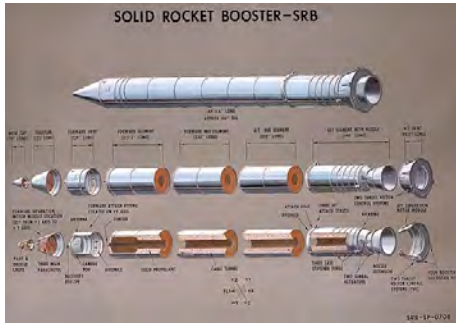
Name	Abbrev. Name or Acronym	Chemical Formula	Type
Aluminum (fine powder)	Al	Al	Fuel
Zirconium (powder)	Zr	Zr	
Ammonium Perchlorate	AP	NH ₄ ClO ₄	
Ammonium Nitrate	AN	NH ₄ NO ₃	Oxidizer
Ammonium Dinitramine	AND	NH ₂ [NH](NO ₂) ₂	
Potassium Perchlorate	KP	KClO ₄	
Potassium Nitrate	KN	KNO ₃	Outdoor, Visible Flame Suppressant
Potassium Sulphate	KS	K ₂ SO ₄	Visible Flame Suppressant
Cyclotetramethylene-tetraoxime	HMX	C ₄ H ₈ N ₄ O ₈	Solid Explosive Crystal/Filler
Cyclotetramethylene-trioxime	RDX	C ₄ H ₈ N ₄ O ₆	
Nitroguanidine	NQ	CH ₄ N ₂ O ₂	
Hydroxy-terminated Polybutadiene	HTPB	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₀ C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁ C ₁₂ H ₁₈ O C ₁₂ H ₁₈ N ₂ O	Fuel, Binder (polybutadiene type)
Carboxyl-terminated Polybutadiene	CTPB	C ₁₂ H ₁₈ O C ₁₂ H ₁₈ N ₂ O	
Polybutadiene acrylonitrile copolymer	PBAN	C ₁₁ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₀	
Polybutadiene acrylic acid	PBAA	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ O ₁₁	
Polyethylene Glycol	PEG	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₁₁	
Hexafluoroacetylene polyol	PCP	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ O ₁₁ F ₆	
Polyglycol adipate	PGA	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₁₁	Fuel, Binder (polyester or polyester type)
Polypropylene glycol	PPG	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ O ₁₁	
Polyurethane polyester or polyether	PU	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₀	
Methyl acrylate	MAPO	C ₁₀ H ₁₈ N ₂ OP	
Phosphine Oxide	IPDI	C ₁₁ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁	Curing Agent or
Isophorone diisocyanate	IPDI	C ₁₁ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁	
Toluene-2,4-diisocyanate	TDI	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁	Crosslinker (reacts with polymer binder)
Hexamethylene diisocyanate	HMDI	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁	
Dimethyl diisocyanate	DDI	C ₁₀ H ₁₆ N ₂ O ₁₁	
Trimethyl propane	TMP	C ₄ H ₁₀ O ₃	

16% and 18% in grain respectively for Space Shuttle and Ariane 5 Solid Rocket Motors

69.6% and 68% in grain respectively for Space Shuttle and Ariane 5 Solid Rocket Motors

~14% in grain for Space Shuttle and Ariane 5 Solid Rocket Motors

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IUS (Inertial Upper Stage), 2-Stage Solid Rocket Motor Unit, Stage 1: 42 kib Thrust; Stage 2: 17 to 24 kib Thrust

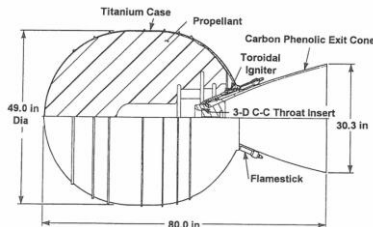
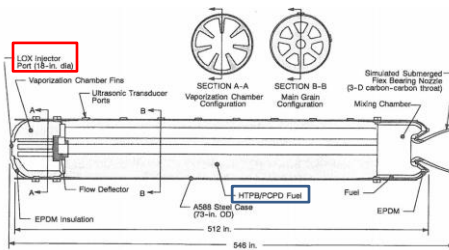


Fig. 6.19 Star 48B solid rocket motor (Courtesy Thiokol Corporation.)
15 kib Thrust



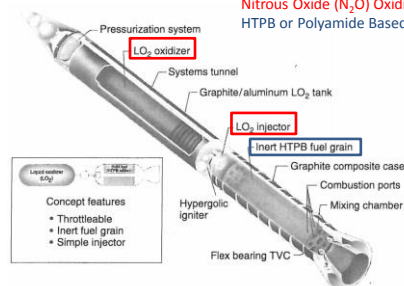
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Hybrid Rocket Engines (HREs)



Nitrous Oxide (N₂O) Oxidizer
HTPB or Polyamide Based Fuel



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Comparison of the Types of Chemical Rocket Engines

Type	Advantages	Disadvantages
LREs	Throttle-able	More Complex
	Can test prior to use/launch	Lower Propellant Mass Fraction
	Higher I_{sp} (Specific Impulse)	Leaking & Boiloff Issues
	Can be multiple use (booster, sustainer, orbital adjustments)	More preparation time before use/launch
	Can be shut off any time after start	Complex pumps often required
SREs	Simple operation	Can only have pre-set throttle vs. time
	High propellant mass fraction (boosters)	Cannot be shut off once started
	Easily scalable to higher thrust levels/classes	Fuel and oxidizer (all propellants) in combustion chamber
	Ready and useable at moment's notice	I_{sp} (Specific Impulse) lower than LREs
	Efficient packaging	Difficult to test; Cannot test same engine prior to its use/launch
HREs	Throttle-able	Fuel surface non-uniform regression and erosion issues
	Simpler operation than LREs	I_{sp} (Specific Impulse) lower than LREs
	Can be shut off any time after start	Cannot test same engine prior to its use/launch
		Limited operational and proven experience

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$$F = \dot{m}v_e + (P_e - P_a) \cdot A_e \quad \text{Thrust Equation from Slide 10}$$

Specific Impulse, the most important engine performance measurement

$$I_{SP} = \frac{F}{\dot{m}} = v_e + (P_e - P_a) \cdot \frac{A_e}{\dot{m}}$$

Why?

$$\Delta v = g_0 I_{SP} \ln \left| \frac{m_o}{m_f} \right| - \Delta v_{losses}$$

Where:

$\Delta v \equiv$ Change in velocity of rocket

$g_0 \equiv$ Acceleration due to Earth gravity, unit conversion reference

$m_o \equiv$ Initial mass of the rocket

$m_f \equiv$ Final mass of the rocket

$\Delta v_{losses} \equiv$ Velocity losses due to gravity, aerodynamic drag, steering, and earth's (planet's) rotation



Tsiolkovsky's (the general) rocket equation (for a single stage rocket)



Higher I_{sp} results in higher Δv , higher payload mass, lower initial propellant mass, or combinations of these

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Audience Question:

What is the change in velocity, Δv , needed to get from the Earth's surface to the ISS (International Space Station); which is in LEO (Low Earth Orbit) between 330 and 435 km (205 and 270 miles) above the surface?

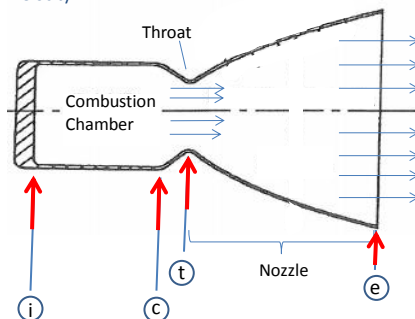
- 1,220 km/hr (760 mph)
- 4,830 km/hr (3,000 mph)
- 19,950 km/hr (12,400 mph)
- 28,160 km/hr (17,500 mph)
- 40,230 km/hr (25,000 mph)

Assume that the Earth is not rotating at time of launch
(*this does make a difference*)

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Determining I_{sp} (**Specific Impulse**) and **thrust** of a rocket engine or **designing a rocket engine** to have the desired or maximum practicable I_{sp} and thrust requires use of **thermochemistry and thermodynamics**.

1. **Station 'i':** Mass flow rate of propellants into the combustion chamber at (injector) are set.
2. **Station 'c':** **Thermochemistry** is used to determine temperature of combustion product gas mixture and mole (or mass) fractions of constituent gases in this gas mixture.
3. **Station 'c' to Station 't' (throat):** **Thermodynamics** is used to determine change in gas properties and velocity.
 - if gas velocity at station 't' is not sonic, combustion chamber pressure (or throat diameter) is changed and step 2. is repeated (iterative process).
4. **Station 't' to Station 'e':** **Thermodynamics** is used to determine change in gas properties and velocity.



5. **Station 'e':** Velocity and pressure of the gas mixture are used to calculate **thrust and I_{sp}** .

Note: For steps 3. and 4., **Thermochemistry** is also used to determine change in mole fractions of constituent gases for "Shifting Equilibrium" analysis; overestimates I_{sp} by ~1 to 4%
"Frozen Equilibrium" analysis; no change in const. gas mole fractions between Stations 'c' and 'e'; underestimates I_{sp} by ~1 to 4%

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I_{sp} and Other Performance Data, Existing & Operational LREs

Engine	Propellants	O/F MR	Thrust, vacuum		Thrust, sea level		I_{sp} vac. (sec)	I_{sp} s.l. (sec)
			(kN)	(klb.)	(kN)	(klb.)		
Vulcan (HMG0)	LOX/LH ₂	6.20	1075	241	815	183	431	310
SSME (RS-25)	LOX/LH ₂	6.03	2285	513	1825	410	455	363
HM7 B	LOX/LH ₂	5.14	62	14	N/A	N/A	445	N/A
RL-10	LOX/LH ₂	5.00	66	15	N/A	N/A	410	N/A
J-2	LOX/LH ₂	5.50	1052	236	N/A	N/A	425	N/A
F-1	LOX/RP-1	2.27	7893	1772	6880	1544	304	265
RS-27	LOX/RP-1	2.25	1043	234	934	210	295	264
XLR-105-5	LOX/RP-1		370	83	250	56	309	215
11D58	LOX/Kerosene		850	191	N/A	N/A	348	N/A
RD 170	LOX/Kerosene	2.63	8060	1809	7425	1667	337	309
RD 180	LOX/Kerosene	2.72	4150	932	3830	860	338	311
AJ-26	LOX/RP-1	2.74	1755	394	1581	355	332	299
Merlin 1C	LOX/RP-1	~2.5 - 2.8	480	108	420	94	305	275
Merlin 1C Vac.	LOX/RP-1	~2.5 - 2.8	411	92	N/A	N/A	342	N/A
Viking 5C	N ₂ O ₄ /UDMH	1.70	725	163	678	152	278	248
RD 253	N ₂ O ₄ /UDMH		1670	375	1410	317	316	267
Aestus	N ₂ O ₄ /MMH	2.05	29	7	N/A	N/A	324	N/A

I_{sp} and Other Performance Data, Existing and Operational SREs

Engine	Propellants and their Mass Fractions	Thrust, vacuum		Thrust, sea level		I_{sp} vac. (sec)	I_{sp} s.l. (sec)		
		(kN)	(klb.)	(kN)	(klb.)				
Space Shuttle SRM	AP 69.6%, Al 16%, PBAN 14%, FeO 0.4%			15012	3370	14700	3300	268	~226
Ariane 5 MPS	AP 68%, Al 18%, PBAN 14%			6470	1452	6470	1452	275	~245
AJ-60A	(Nominally Same as Space Shuttle SRM)			1270	285	1270	285	275	~245
IUS, Stage 1, Orbus 21	(Nominally Same as Orbus 6)			185	42	N/A	N/A	296	N/A
IUS, Stage 2, Orbus 6E	(Nominally Same as Orbus 6)			75.3 to 79.3	16.9 to 17.8	N/A	N/A	289-304	N/A
Star 48B	AP 71%, Al 16%, HTPB 11%			68.6 to 78.0	15.4 to 17.5	N/A	N/A	292	N/A
Star 27	AP 72%, Al 16%, HTPB & Other Binders, Additives 12%			23.2 to 28.5	5.2 to 6.4	N/A	N/A	291	N/A
Orbus 6	AP 68%, Al 18%, HTPB & Other Binders, Additives 14%			75.7 to 106.0	17.0 to 23.8	N/A	N/A	290	N/A

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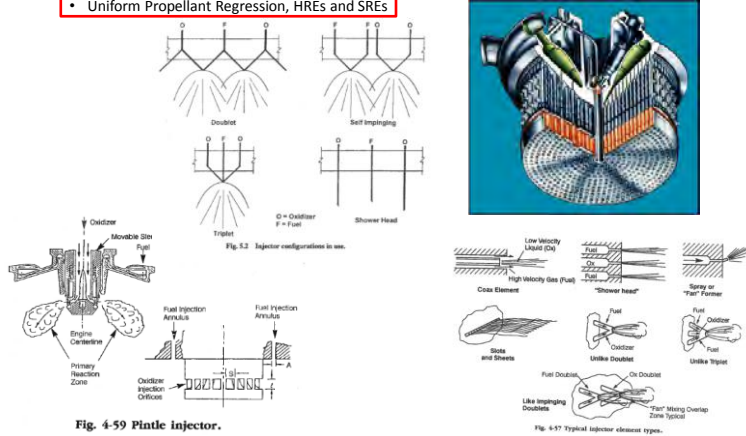
LREs that use hydrogen and oxygen propellants have the highest I_{sp} . However, there are various reasons that designers often select SREs, HREs, or LREs with different propellants for particular flight vehicles or stages thereof. **Which of the following is false** and would therefore **not** be a reason that a designer might design or select a rocket engine that uses a fuel propellant other than hydrogen?

- Liquid hydrogen density is much less than the density of other propellants
- Hydrogen molecules are smaller than those of other propellants
- Saturation temperature of hydrogen is below -400 °F
- Hydrogen is a toxic substance
- Hydrogen is colorless and odorless

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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges:

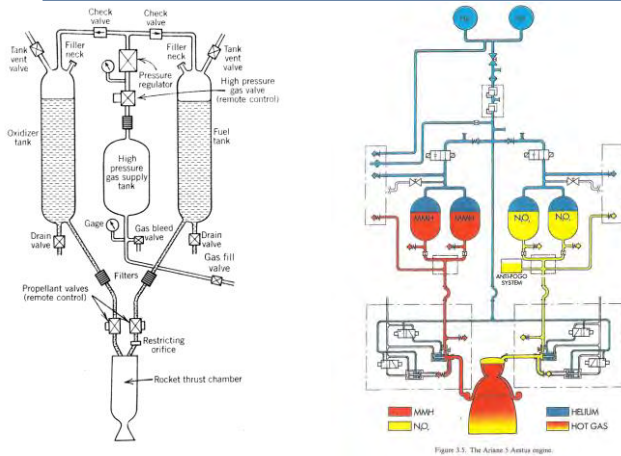
- **Combustion Processes**
 - Propellant Atomization, Vaporization and Mixing; Injector Design and Performance; is Essential
 - Prevention of Ignition Quenching (mainly during start transients)
 - **Combustion Stability (Prevent coupling between chamber pressure and propellant flow rates)**
 - Pogo, coupling between vehicle acceleration and propellant flows
 - Hot streaking, Local Over-temperature Zones across Injector Face and near Combustion Chamber walls; LREs
 - **Uniform Propellant Regression, HREs and SRES**



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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges:

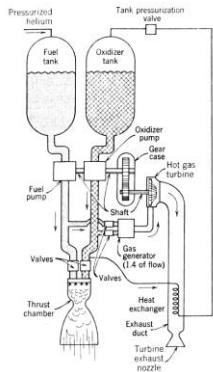
- Source (s) of Pressure to Inject Propellant(s) into Combustion Chamber for LREs and HREs
 - **Pressurized propellant tanks** on vehicle
 - Relatively simple operation and high reliability; one or two propellant valves to each engine
 - But, usually not possible or practical for large high-thrust rocket engines or vehicles with high propellant mass fraction at launch or initial engine start (typical initial mass fractions over 85%)
 - Limited to smaller vehicles or thruster engines used for maneuvering and attitude control



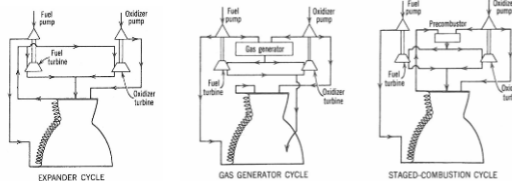
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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges:

- Source (s) of Pressure to Inject Propellant(s) into Combustion Chamber for LREs and HREs (Continued)
 - **Pump Fed Rocket Engines** (lower pressures in vehicle propellant tanks , lighter weight tanks & vehicle)
 - But the price is more complexity and a host of other design issues to address
 - High flow rate and rotational speed (10,000 to 45,000 rpm) pumps needed
 - Gas turbines used to drive pumps (turbopumps); very high power density
 - Additional combustion or high heat flux (H-X) devices for gases to drive these turbines
 - Turbine blades , discs, blisks; high thermal and dynamic stresses
 - Hot streaking issues are amplified (across full injector face, not just along walls)
 - Active cooling passages inside blades and/or ceramic or MMC coating of blades necessary (very complex and costly fabrication processes)



- Hazards of oxygen-rich preburner or gas generator combustion devices that are now often used with RP-1 and other hydrocarbon fueled LREs
- Highly complex operation
 - Interaction between multiple control valves, esp. during throttling, start and shut-down transients
 - Propellant and hot gas flow rates and O/F mixture ratios during throttling and transient need to stay within operating limits of turbines, combustion and H-X devices



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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges (Continued):

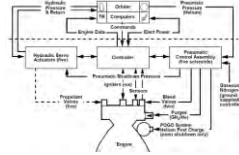
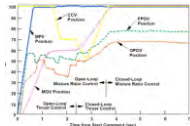
- **Material Properties and Limitations**
 - Combustion chamber gas temperatures above melting point of wall materials or are where material strength is reduced significantly; need for fuel rich or all fuel flow along walls
 - Containment of pressures vs. wall thicknesses; Weight constraints
 - Differential thermal expansion and rates of thermal expansion between mating parts; often with close fit tolerances
 - Thermal ratcheting, changes engine performance and also related to fit tolerances
 - Active cooling required for LREs
 - Propellant(s) used as coolant for Combustion Chamber, Throat, and Nozzle walls
 - Also serves to pre-heat propellant(s) prior to injection into Combustion Chamber
 - Flowing coolant is barrier between inner walls in contact with hot gases and outer walls that contain pressure (reduces amount of differential pressure acting on inner walls)
 - Film cooling, using fuel propellant, along chamber, throat, and nozzle walls also used
 - Results in some energy losses
 - Solid propellant itself and stagnant gas regions used to provide thermal barriers between hot gases and pressure containment casings for SREs and HREs
 - High temperature materials used as barriers between hot gases and pressure containing parts of throats and nozzles for SREs and HREs; Carbon-Carbon, Phenolics, Graphite
 - Ablative material used for nozzle cooling; some LREs, SREs, and HREs
 - Mechanical joint sealing of hot gases; metal seals vs. non-metallic seals
 - Dynamic shaft seals of turbopumps; high pump speeds, keep propellants on pump-side isolated from hot gases on turbine side (pump fed LREs and HREs)
 - Throat and nozzle wall stress induced corrosion; OH, H, O, plus for SREs Cl, HCl, other acids
 - Throat and Nozzle erosion; high gas velocities; mainly with SREs as they have solid particles in hot gas mixtures
 - Propellant compatibility and hazards:
 - Flammability of Oxygen, Fluorine, and other oxidizers (metals and other materials of rocket engine are all potential fuels)
 - Hydrogen embrittlement of metals; mainly at high temperatures or pressures



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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges (Continued):

- Material Properties and Limitations (Continued)
 - Propellant compatibility and hazards (Continued):
 - **Cryogenic propellants; incl. handling, storage**
 - They vaporize at room pressure & temperature
 - Reduced material toughness (ductility) at low temperatures
 - Differential thermal expansions and rates thereof at low temperatures
 - **Low temperature seals; sealing materials less pliable, more brittle**
 - Need for helium purges and pressurants for LH propellant systems or where vehicle weight constraints dictate (does not liquify or freeze at LH temperatures, inert gas having the lowest mass density)
 - **More prone to leak, esp. hydrogen and helium (smallest of molecules)**
 - Coking (carbon buildup) on H-X walls with RP-1 and other hydrocarbon fuels
 - A solution to this is use of oxidizer-rich combustion devices (mentioned on prior slides)
 - Thermal runaway hazards of monopropellants
 - **Highly toxic propellants; MMH, UDMH, N₂O₄, H₂O₂, others**
 - **SRE Propellant Storage and Handling, High Hazards; Static electricity and unwanted heat sources**
- **Throttling**
 - Often needed for controlling vehicle flight trajectory velocity vs. time or position profile
 - Optimum use of propellant as rocket travels through atmosphere and gains altitude
 - Prevent exceeding 'g' (acceleration) limits of vehicle structure (as its mass decreases)
 - **Complex for LREs, esp. those that are pump fed (as described on prior sheets)**
 - **SREs can only throttle to preset profile; cannot adjust during operation**
 - SREs cannot be shut down once started



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Rocket Engine Design Issues and Challenges (Continued):

- **Thrust Vector Control (TVC)**
 - Needed for Steering Rocket, Controlling its flight trajectory
 - Three methods generally used currently; (Engine) "Gimbal," "Flexible Laminated (Nozzle) Bearing," and "Gimbale Auxiliary Thrust Chambers"
 - Two others used in early designs; "Jet Vanes" and "Jet Tabs"
 - One other method, "Side Injection," proposed and experimented with, but not yet employed
 - Each has advantages and disadvantages

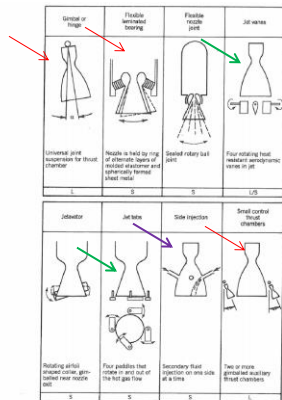
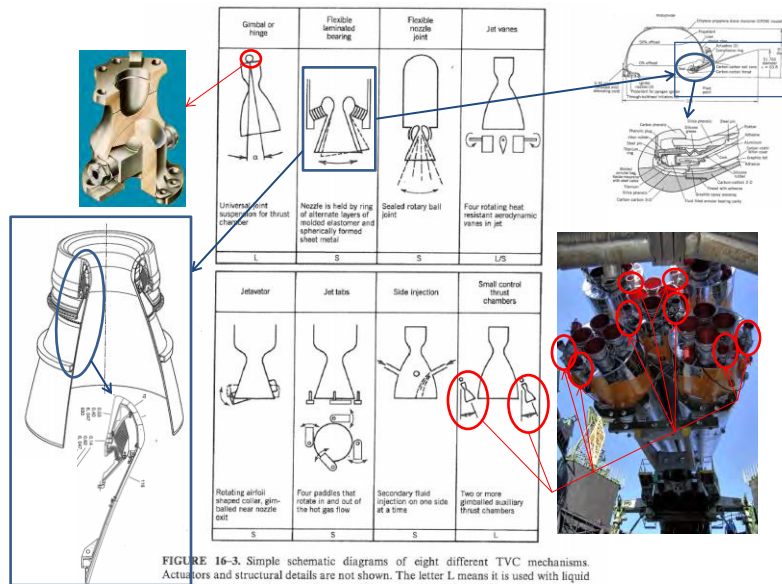


FIGURE 16-3. Simple schematic diagrams of eight different TVC mechanisms. Actuators and structural details are not shown. The letter L means it is used with liquid propellant rocket engines and S means it is used with solid propellant motors.



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Thrust Vector Control; Schematic Diagrams



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Summary:

- Chemical rocket engines used in many applications that are part of everyday life;
 - Spacecraft and satellites for research, exploration, weather & earth monitoring, communications; Also used for weapons delivery systems, entertainment
- Three types of chemical rocket engines; LREs, SREs, HREs
- The importance of I_{sp} specific impulse (the most important performance measure)
 - Thrust is important, but it's not the only thing
- Thermochemistry is essential for rocket engine design and analysis
- Thermodynamics is also needed for design and analysis of rocket engines;
 - Downstream from the combustion/exothermic reaction process
- There are a many other design challenges and details that go into rocket engine design; "Yes, it really is "Rocket Science."



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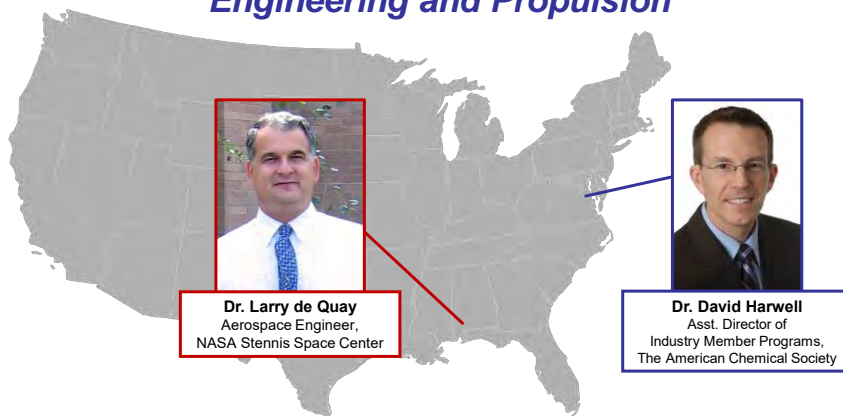


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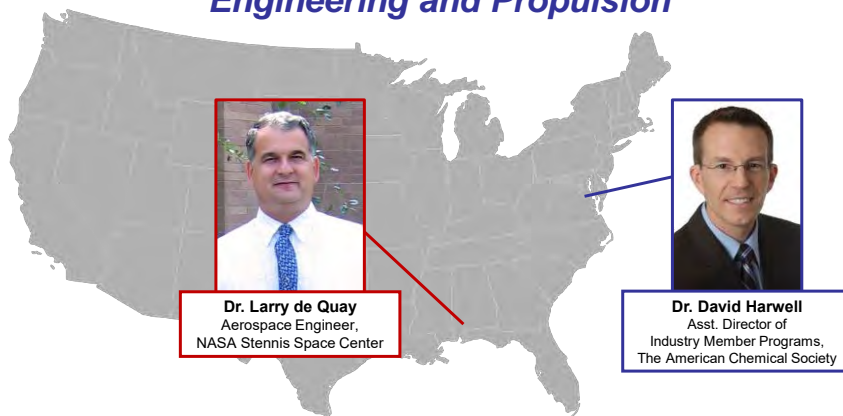
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