

Seminar 5

Antecedents to the Apollo Program

Rocket Propulsion and Staging

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- *The Satellite Decision*
- *"A New Era of History" and a Media Riot*
- *The Birth of NASA*

Chemical Rocket Fundamentals
Multi-Stage Rockets

... *the Heavens and the Earth, Ch 5 to 7*
Understanding Space, Sec 14.2

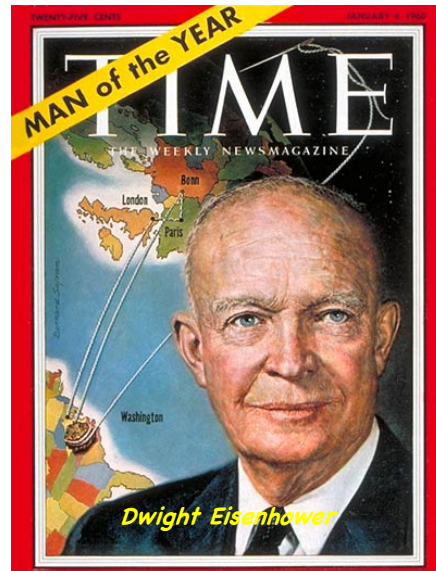
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The Satellite Decision

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Eisenhower and the Cynical Critic



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President Dwight D. Eisenhower, 1953-61

*"The Chance for Peace" Address
American Society of Newspaper Editors
April 16, 1953*

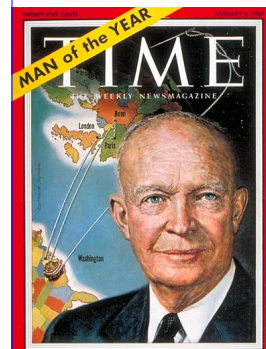
http://www.eisenhower.archives.gov/all_about_ike/speeches/chance_for_peace.pdf

"IN THIS SPRING of 1953 the free world weighs one question above all others: the chance for a just peace for all peoples....

...another recent moment of great decision.... that yet more hopeful spring of 1945, bright with the promise of victory and of freedom.... a just and lasting peace....

This common purpose lasted an instant and perished. The nations of the world divided to follow two distinct roads. The United States and our valued friends, the other free nations, chose one road. The leaders of the Soviet Union chose another....

We are ready, in short, to dedicate our strength to serving the needs, rather than the fears, of the world...."



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The Killian Report (1954)

- *Period I (54-55)*
 - *Vulnerability to attack*
 - *Lack of reliable warning*
 - *Inadequate air defense*
 - *Growing Soviet bomber force*
- *Period II (56-60)*
 - *Great offensive advantage of US*
 - *Opportunity for diplomatic initiatives*
- *Period III (60-?)*
 - *Rapid increase in Soviet bombers*
- *Period IV (--)*
 - *Mutually assured retaliation and destruction*

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DEW Line and the CIA's U-2

- *Need for warning and surveillance*
- *Secret overflights of the Soviet Union*

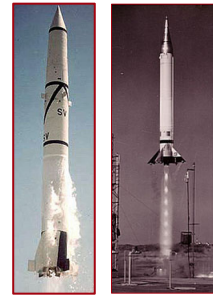


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Post-World War II US Rocketry

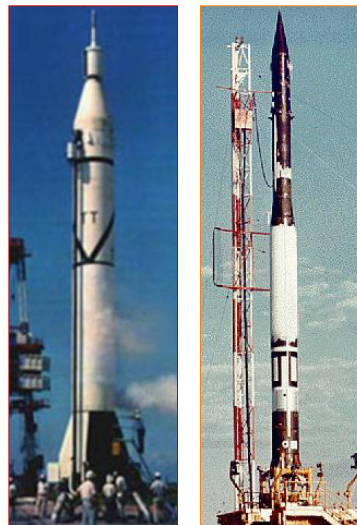
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IGY, Politics, and Defense



- USSR and US stated intent to orbit a satellite
- Proposed US scientific satellite launchers
 - Redstone
 - Vanguard
 - Atlas
- What led to the choice of Vanguard for IGY?
- Which were more important to US: military or scientific satellites?

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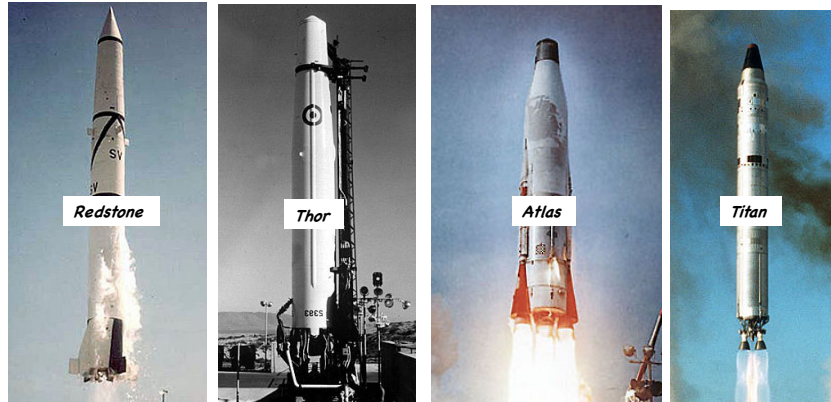


Ike's Policies and Style

- *Budget surplus*
 - *Sound economy*
 - *adequate defense*
 - *unmortgaged future*
- *Dominant boss, but seen as slothful and senile*
- *Fiscally conservative, but challenged by need for progress*
- *“... get the Federal Government out of every unnecessary activity.”*
- *Sputnik demanded a response in kind*
- *Eisenhower space policy: sufficiency not superiority*



Post-World War II Intermediate-Range and Inter-Continental Ballistic Missiles



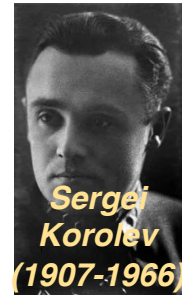
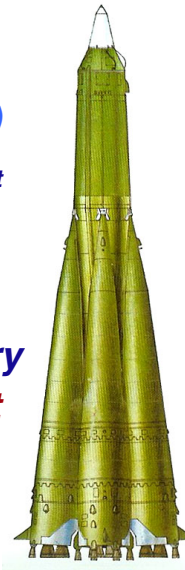
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Post-WW II Science Fact and Fiction Catalyzed human imagination



Sputnik 1 and the R-7 (October 4, 1957)

- ***USSR launches 1st satellite for IGY with ICBM***
- ***Solved the US overflight quandary***
- ***... but that was not the way the American public saw it***



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***"A New Era of History" and
a Media Riot***

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The Weather
 Partly: Today's forecast: Cloud, foggy with rain later. Yesterday's temperature: High 41, low 31. Today's forecast: High 41, low 31. Today's forecast: High 41, low 31.

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By 3-Run Rally
By Tommy Holmes

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Herald Tribune

this day in history:

Russia launched Sputnik 2 carrying a dog on 11/3/57




October 4, 1957


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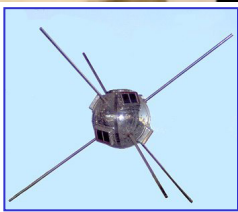
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Cold-War
Effect Is
Assayed
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For Investigation
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Project Vanguard (1957-1959)



Vanguard TV3 failure, December 7, 1957

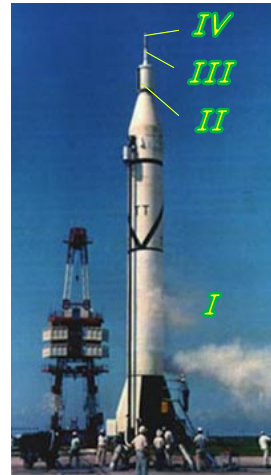
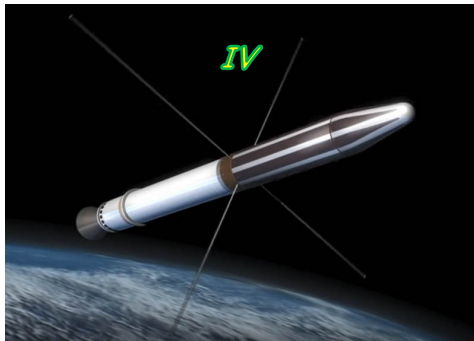




Vanguard 1 success, March 17, 1958

[still in orbit]

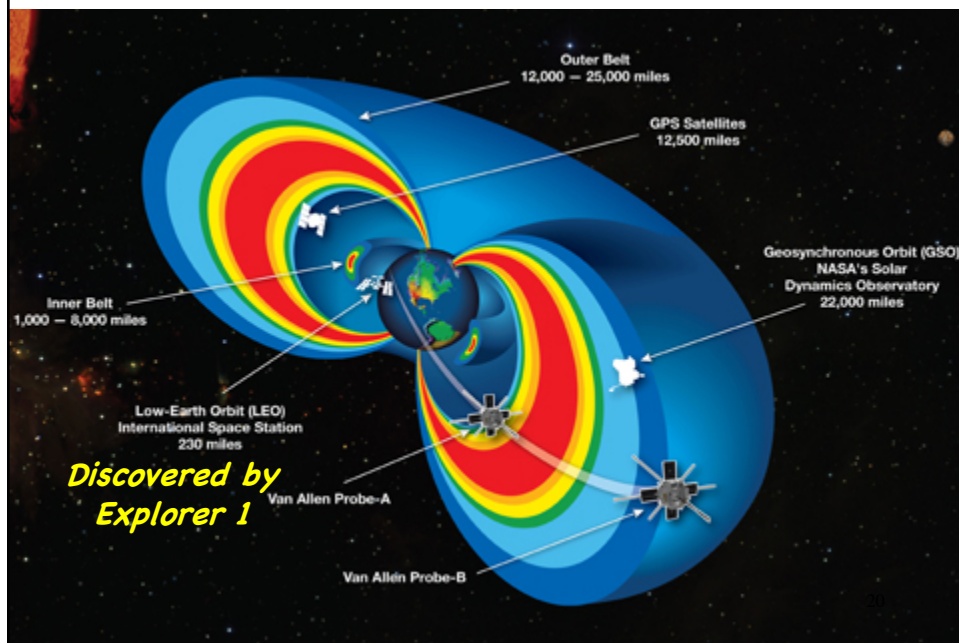
Project Orbiter Resurrected (January 31, 1958)



Explorer 1 (Army/JPL)
Launched 84 days after approval
V-2 -> Redstone -> 4-stage Juno 1

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Van Allen Radiation Belts



Frenzy and Realpolitik

- *Eisenhower: affable but simple?*
 - *Rise of LBJ as Senate Majority Leader*
 - *What did he know about space?*
 - *Public response to Sputniks*
 - *LBJ "scoops people like peanuts"*
 - *The space race was "on"*
- 
- *Russian space feats got better press than American program Why?*
 - *Bureaucratic response,*
 - *Frenzy, journalistic excess*
 - *Academics supported increased support for education!*
 - *Rockefeller admonition*
 - *Politics and publicity*
 - *Sputnik as a "durable permacrisis" Eisenhower on the defensive*

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Sputnik 3, May 15, 1958



IGY
Geophysical payload, R-7 launcher
1,327 kg

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The Birth of NASA

*National Defense Education Act (1958),
National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958*

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Research, Development, and Education

- *NSF supposed to support basic science, diminishing the role of DOD and AEC*
 - *but NSF was not given an adequate budget*
- *1957: Scientists advise Ike that R&D should be funded by the military*
 - *WHICH scientists?*
- *Presidential Assistant for Science and Technology*
- *NDEA of 1958 designed as a stopgap, following GI Bill*
- *Attacks on Dewey's "Progressive Education"*
- *Some Southerners advocated increased educational support but feared forced integration*

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Technology vs. Politics?

- *Former Harvard president Conant*
 - *"What will be needed is not more engineers and scientists but ... political leaders of wisdom, courage, and devotion"*
 - *Eisenhower agreed*
 - *Then-current Harvard president Pusey disagreed*
- *Concern for ability to deliver nuclear weapons*
- *NACA slumping by mid-50s*
- *USAF took the lead in "X-Plane" programs*
- *Little NACA funding for space as late as 1955*
 - *"Skeptical, conservative, and reticent," von Karman*
- *NACA budget shrank steadily after WWII*
 - *no powerful allies*
 - *channeled only 2% of its budget to contractors*
- *Military pleased to take up the slack*
 - *Army and Navy were racing to launch the first satellite*
 - *where was the Air Force?*
- *President's Science Advisory Committee (PSAC): 2 goals in space*
 - *exploration*
 - *control (of what?)*
- *1957: NACA space budget increased by 20%, a timid US response to Sputnik*



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Struggle Among Government Agencies

- *Sentiment for AEC to take the lead*
- *15-year plan, booster development by ABMA (von Braun),*
 - *cognizance for JPL*
- *USAF: X-15, Atlas, Thor, Agena for WS-117L*
- *Navy: Vanguard and Polaris*
- *Killian (MIT president), President's Science Advisory Committee (PSAC)*
- *Congress's influence on space policy*
- *ARPA*
- *Major goals of spaceflight seen as scientific and political, favoring civilian agency for non-military goals*
 - *But NACA was too small*
- *National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 split responsibilities between the new NASA and DOD*
 - *Did not commit US to a space race*
- *USAF was not happy about the split, even rallied existing NACA to its side regarding R&D responsibilities*
 - *NACA reluctant to take quasi-military responsibilities*
- *Different bills in House and Senate committees, have to be resolved*



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1958 State of the Union Address

- *Communist imperialism still the threat*
- *No "call to arms" but waging total cold war*
- *7 points:*
 - *defense reorganization*
 - *accelerated R&D*
 - *mutual aid to allies*
 - *increased trade with allies*
 - *scientific cooperation with allies*
 - *increased investment in education and research*
 - *supplemental appropriations for defense*



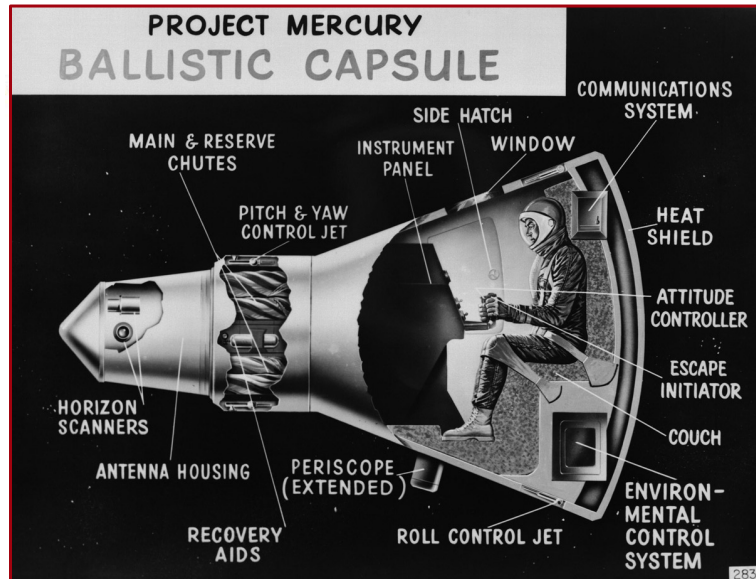
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NACA Rocket X-Planes



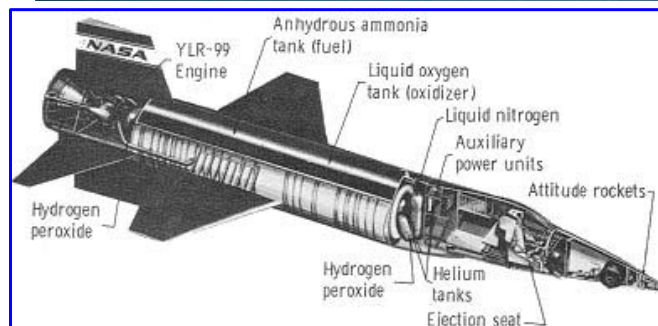
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1958: NACA Becomes NASA



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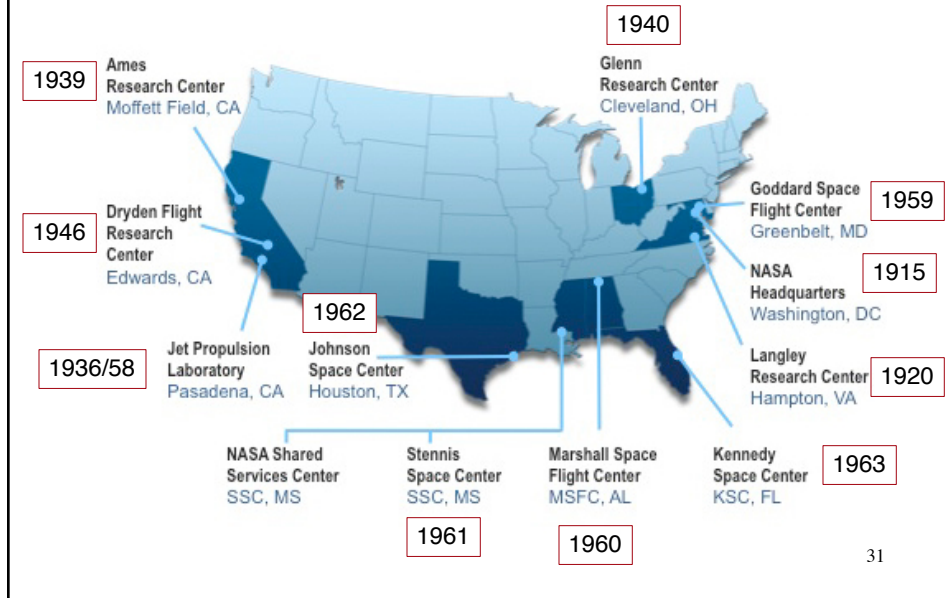
NASA/USAF X-15



**Forrest Petersen,
Princeton GS**

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NACA/NASA Research Laboratories

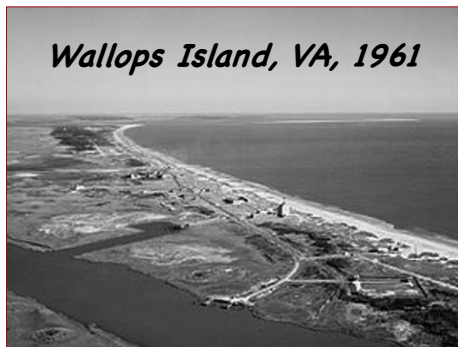


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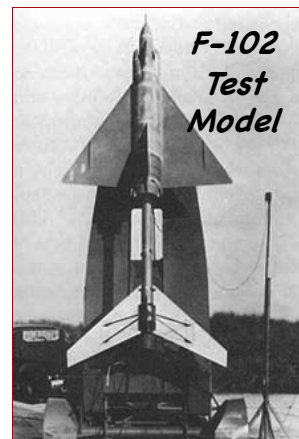
Human Space Flight

- ***NACA Langley Pilotless Aircraft Research Division evolved to the ...***
- ***NASA Space Task Group***

Wallops Island, VA, 1961

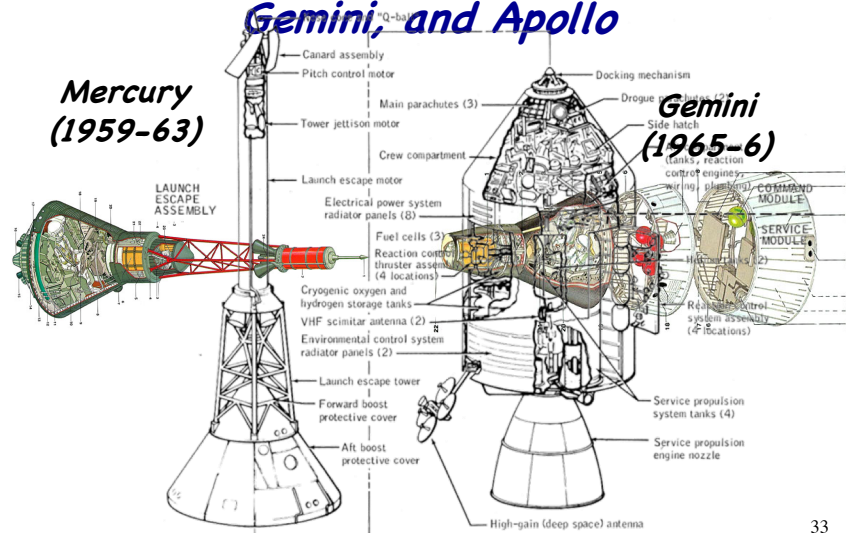


***F-102
Test
Model***



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***Space Task Group
Created the designs for Mercury,
Gemini, and Apollo***



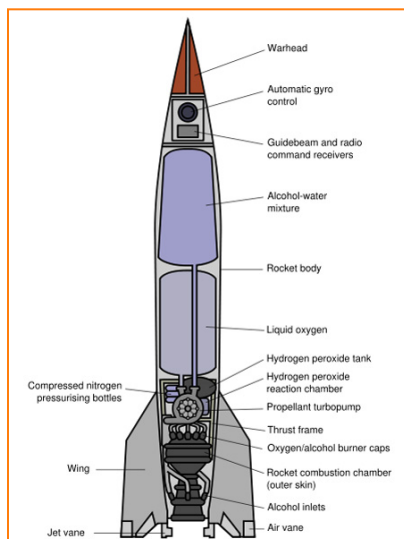
***Space Task Group became the
NASA Manned Spacecraft (Johnson
Space) Center, Houston***



Rocket Propulsion and Staging

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Single-Stage Launch Vehicle Systems



• Propulsion and Power

- Main engines
- Turbo-pumps
- Batteries, fuel cells
- Pressurizing bottles

• Structure

- Skin, frames,
- Propellant tanks
- Fins, control surfaces
- Heat shield, insulation

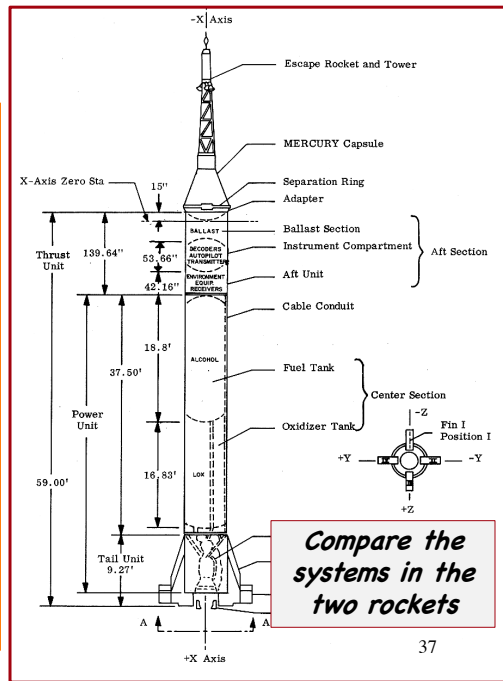
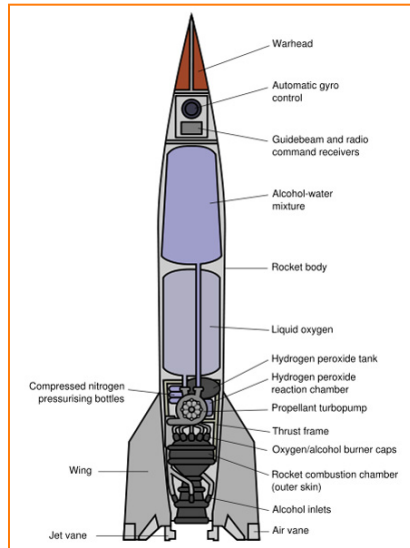
• Electronics

- Computers
- Sensors and actuators
- Transmitters and receivers
- Transponders

• Payload

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V-2 and Mercury Redstone



Chemical (Thermal) Rockets

• Liquid/Gas Propellant

- Monopropellant

- Catalytic ignition
- Chemical decomposition

- Bipropellant

- Separate oxidizer and fuel
- Hypergolic (spontaneous) ignition
- External ignition
- Storage
 - Ambient temperature and pressure
 - Cryogenic
 - Pressurized tank

- Throttleable

- Start/stop cycling

• Solid Propellant

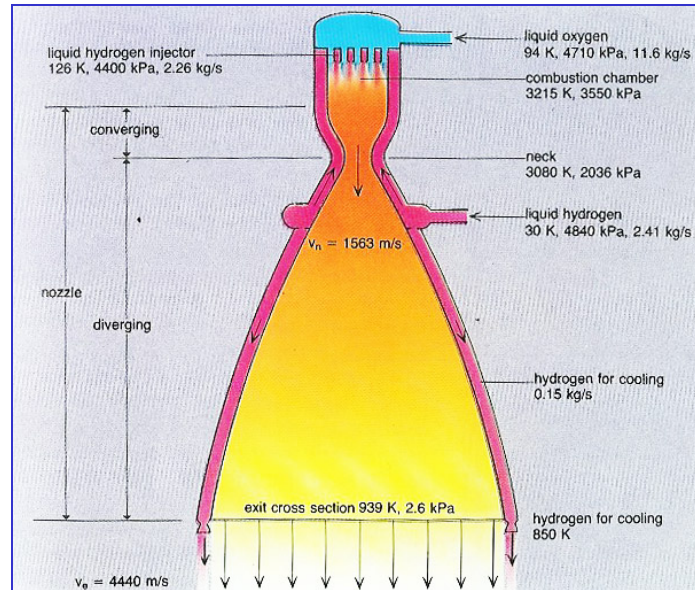
- Mixed oxidizer and fuel
- External ignition
- Burn to completion

• Hybrid Propellant

- Liquid oxidizer, solid fuel
- Throttleable
- Start/stop cycling



Liquid-Propellant Rocket Motor



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German V-2 Rocket Motor, Fuel Injectors, and Turbopump

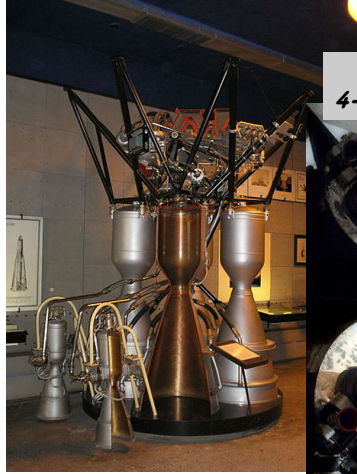


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USSR RD-107/8 Rocket Motors

RD-107

4 combustion chambers, 2 verniers



R-7 Base

4-RD-107, 1-RD-108



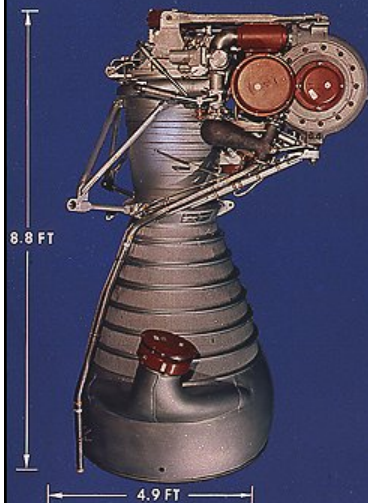
RD-108

4 combustion chambers, 4 verniers



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H-1 ENGINE



THRUST (SEA LEVEL)

THRUST DURATION

SPECIFIC IMPULSE

(LB-SEC/LB)

ENGINE WT DRY

(INBD)

(OUTBD)

ENGINE WT BURNOUT

(INBD)

(OUTBD)

EXIT-TO-THROAT

AREA RATIO

PROPELLANTS

MIXTURE RATIO

CONTRACTOR: NAA/ROCKETDYNE

VEHICLE APPLICATION

SATURN IB/S-IB STAGE (EIGHT ENGINES)

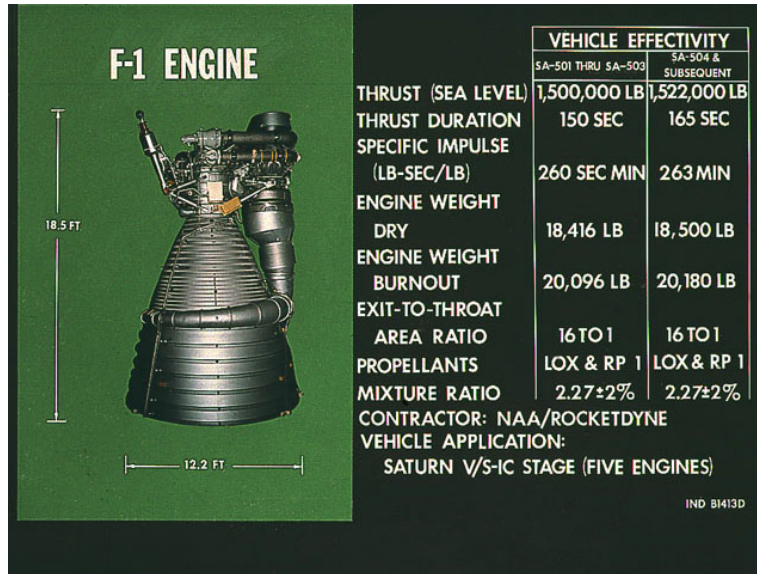
VEHICLE EFFECTIVITY

SA-201 THRU SA-205	SA-206 & SUBSEQUENT
200,000 LB	205,000 LB
155 SEC	155 SEC
260.5 MIN	261.0 MIN
1,830 LB	2,100 LB
2,100 LB	2,100 LB
2,200 LB	2,200 LB
2,200 LB	2,200 LB
8 TO 1	8 TO 1
LOX & RP-1	LOX & RP-1
2.23±2%	2.23±%

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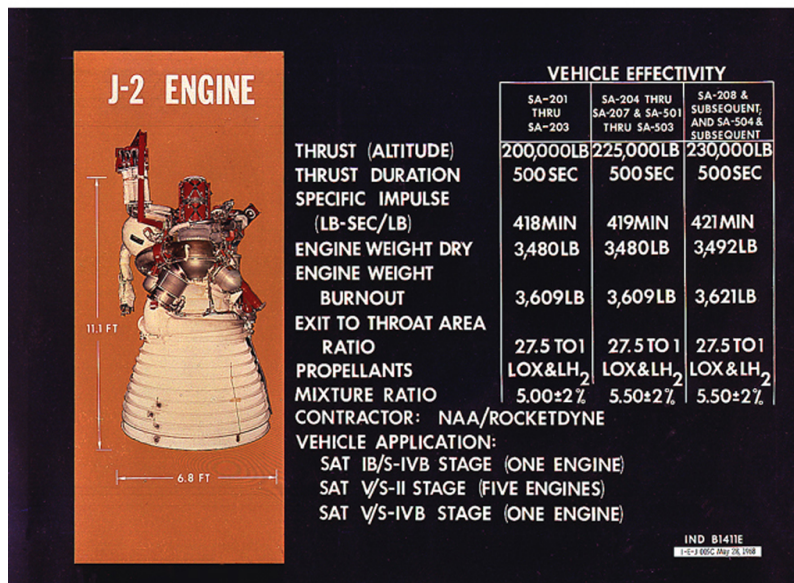
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US Saturn F-1 Engine

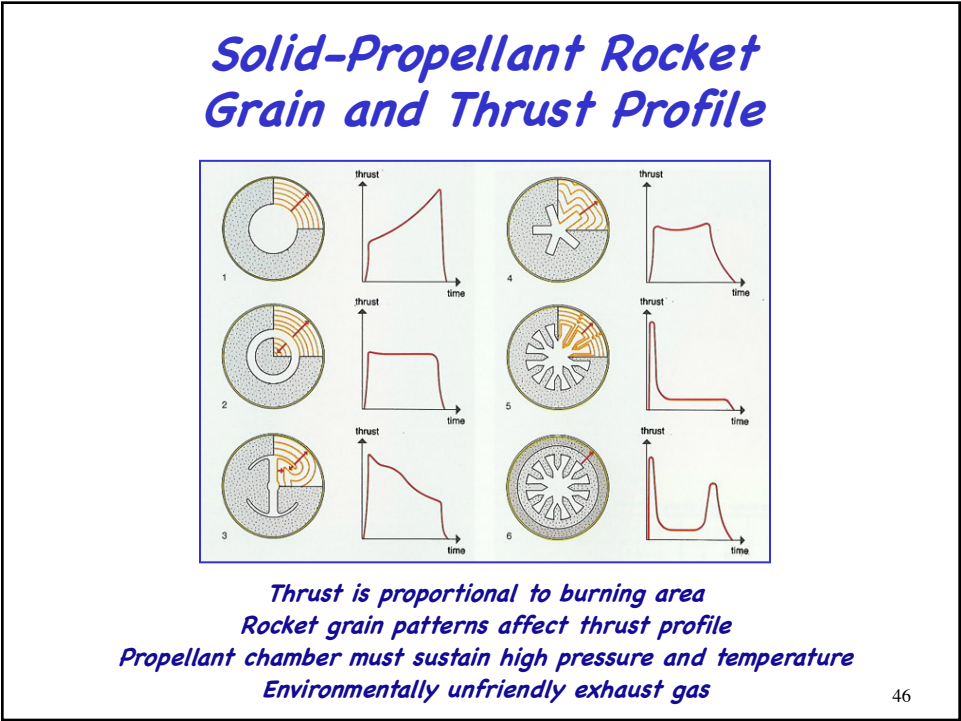


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US Saturn J-2 Engine



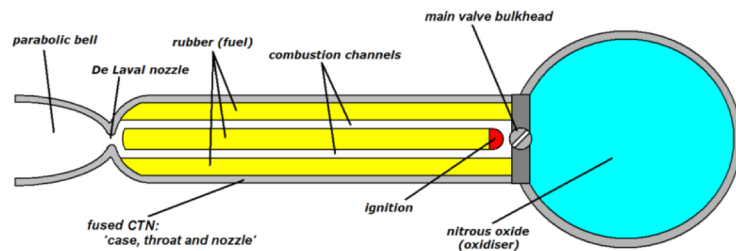
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Hybrid-Fuel Rocket Motor



- *SpaceShipOne motor*
 - Nitrous oxide
 - Hydroxy-terminated polybutadiene (HTPB)
- *Issues*
 - Hard start
 - Blow back
 - Complete mixing of oxidizer and fuel to completion



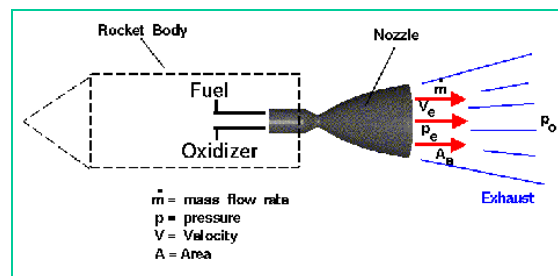
Rocket Thrust

$$\text{Thrust} = \dot{m}_{\text{propellant}} V_{\text{exhaust}} + A_{\text{exit}} (p_{\text{exit}} - p_{\text{ambient}})$$

$$\triangleq \dot{m} c_{\text{eff}}$$

$$c_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\text{Thrust}}{\dot{m}} = \text{Effective exhaust velocity}$$

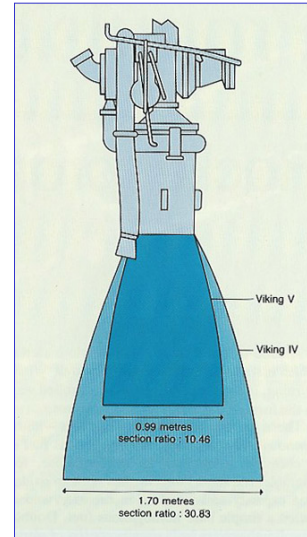
$\dot{m} \equiv$ Mass flow rate of on-board propellant



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Rocket Nozzles

- Expansion ratio, A_e/A_t , chosen to match exhaust pressure to average ambient pressure
 - Ariane rockets: Viking V for sea level, Viking IV for high altitude
- Rocket nozzle types
 - DeLaval nozzle
 - Isentropic expansion nozzle
 - Spike/plug nozzles
 - Expansion-deflection nozzle



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Specific Impulse

$$I_{sp} = \frac{\text{Thrust}}{\dot{m} g_o} = \frac{c_{eff}}{g_o}, \quad \text{Units} = \frac{m/s}{m/s^2} = s$$

$g_o \equiv$ Gravitational acceleration at earth's surface

g_o is a normalizing factor for the definition
Chemical rocket specific impulse (vacuum)

Solid propellants: < 295 s

Liquid propellants: < 510 s

• Space Shuttle Specific Impulses

- Solid boosters: 242-269 s

- Main engines: 455 s

- OMS: 313 s

- RCS: 260-280 s

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Specific Impulse

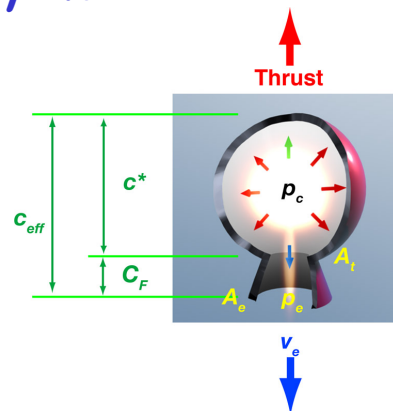
- *Specific impulse is a product of characteristic velocity, c^* , and rocket thrust coefficient, C_F*

$$I_{sp} = \frac{\text{Thrust}}{\dot{m} g_o} = \frac{c_{eff}}{g_o} = C_F c^* / g_o = \frac{V_{exhaust}}{g_o}$$

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Specific Impulse

- *Characteristic velocity is related to*
 - combustion chamber performance
 - propellant characteristics
- *Thrust coefficient is related to*
 - nozzle shape
 - exit/ambient pressure differential



when $C_F = 1$, $p_e = p_{ambient}$

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Rockets 101

- *Initial mass:*
 - *Payload*
 - *Structure, Systems*
 - *Rocket motors*
 - *Propellant*
- *Final mass:*
 - *Initial mass less propellant*
- *Final velocity depends on mass ratio, initial to final mass, μ*

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The Rocket Equation

*Ideal velocity increment of a rocket stage, ΔV_I
(gravity and aerodynamic effects neglected)*

$$\text{Acceleration} = \frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{\text{Thrust}}{m} = \frac{\dot{m} c_{\text{eff}}}{m} = - \frac{dm/dt}{m} I_{sp} g_o$$

$$\int_{V_i}^{V_f} dV = -I_{sp} g_o \int_{m_i}^{m_f} \frac{dm}{m} = -I_{sp} g_o \ln m \Big|_{m_i}^{m_f}$$

$$(V_f - V_i) \equiv \Delta V_I = I_{sp} g_o \ln \left(\frac{m_i}{m_f} \right) \equiv I_{sp} g_o \ln \mu$$

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Ratios Characterizing a Rocket Stage

Mass ratio

$$\mu = m_{\text{initial}} / m_{\text{final}}$$

Payload ratio
(as large as possible)

$$\lambda = m_{\text{payload}} / m_{\text{initial}}$$

Structural ratio
(typically 0.1 - 0.2)

$$\eta = m_{\text{structure/engine}} / m_{\text{initial}}$$

Propellant ratio

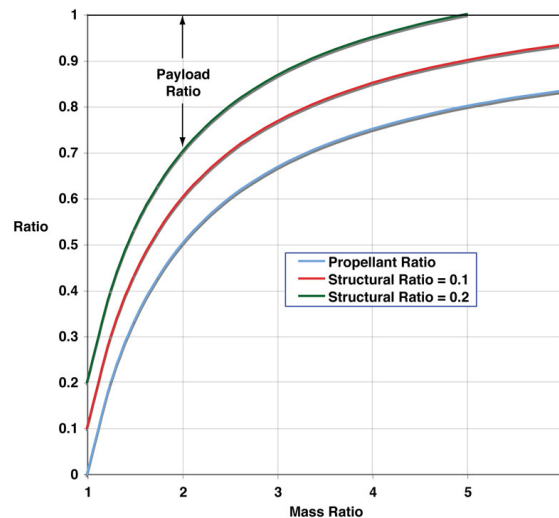
$$\varepsilon = m_{\text{propellant}} / m_{\text{initial}} = \frac{\mu - 1}{\mu}$$

For a single stage

$$\lambda + \eta + \varepsilon = 1$$

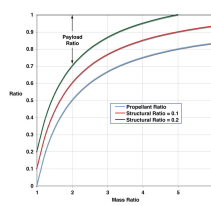
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Ratios Characterizing a Rocket Stage



Payload is what's left after propellant and structure are subtracted

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Ideal Velocity Increment for Single Stage With Various Specific Impulses

Ideal Velocity Increment, km/s

Mass Ratio	Isp = 220 s	= 275 s	= 400 s	= 500 s
2	1.5	1.9	2.7	3.4
3	2.4	3	4.3	5.3
4	3	3.8	5.4	6.8
5	3.5	4.3	6.3	7.9

$$\mu_{required} = e^{\Delta V_I / I_{sp} g_0}$$

Single stage to orbit with payload ($\Delta V_I \sim 7.3$ km/s)? Not easy.

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Required Mass Ratio for Various Velocity Increments

$$\mu_{required} = e^{\Delta V_I / I_{sp} g_0}$$

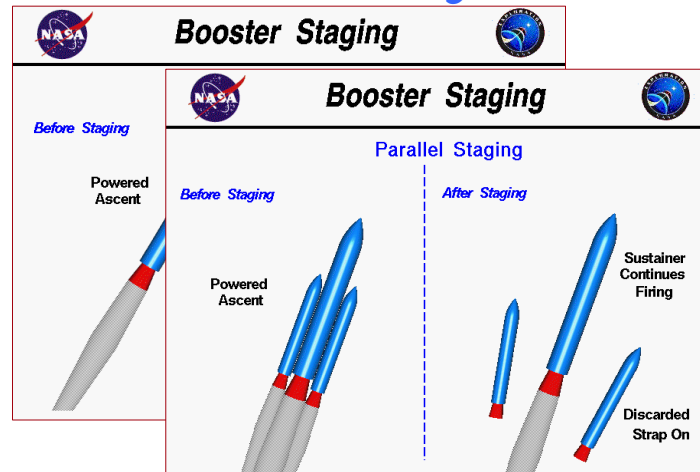
Ideal Velocity Increment, km/s	Required Mass Ratio	
	Isp = 240 s	= 400 s
7	19.6	6.0
8	29.9	7.7
9	45.7	9.9
10	69.9	12.8
11	106.9	16.5
12	163.5	21.3

... and there are velocity losses due to gravity and aerodynamic drag

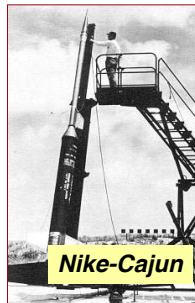
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Mass Ratio for Space Missions Difficult to Obtain without Staging

Final mass can be reduced by getting rid of structure when no longer needed



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Ideal Velocity Increment of a 2-Stage Rocket

$$\Delta V_I = (I_{sp})_1 g_o \ln \left(\frac{m_i}{m_f} \right)_1 + (I_{sp})_2 g_o \ln \left(\frac{m_i}{m_f} \right)_2$$

$$\triangleq g_o \left[(I_{sp})_1 \ln \mu_1 + (I_{sp})_2 \ln \mu_2 \right]$$

μ_j is the mass ratio of the j^{th} stage

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Ideal Velocity Increment for a Multiple-Stage Rocket

- Ideal velocity increment of an n-stage rocket***

$$\Delta V_I = g_o \sum_{j=1}^n (I_{sp})_j \ln \mu_j$$



- Optimal ideal velocity increment with equal specific impulses***

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta V_I &= I_{sp} g_o \ln(\mu_1 \cdot \mu_2 \cdot \dots \mu_n) \equiv I_{sp} g_o \ln(\mu_{\text{overall}}) \\ &= I_{sp} g_o \ln \mu^n \end{aligned}$$

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Required Mass Ratios for Multiple-Stage Rockets

- Staging reduces mass ratios to achievable values***
- With equal specific impulses for each stage***

Ideal Velocity Increment, km/s	Required Mass Ratio					
	Single Stage		Two Stages		Three Stages	
	Isp = 240 s	= 400 s	Isp = 240 s	= 400 s	Isp = 240 s	= 400 s
7	19.6	6.0	4.4	2.4	2.7	1.8
8	29.9	7.7	5.5	2.8	3.1	2.0
9	45.7	9.9	6.8	3.1	3.6	2.1
10	69.9	12.8	8.4	3.6	4.1	2.3
11	106.9	16.5	10.3	4.1	4.7	2.5
12	163.5	21.3	12.8	4.6	5.5	2.8

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Overall Payload Ratio of a Multiple-Stage Rocket

$$\lambda_{\text{overall}} = \frac{(m_{\text{payload}})_n}{(m_{\text{initial}})_1} = \frac{(m_{\text{payload}})_n}{(m_{\text{initial}})_n} \cdot \frac{(m_{\text{payload}})_{n-1}}{(m_{\text{initial}})_{n-1}} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{(m_{\text{payload}})_1}{(m_{\text{initial}})_1}$$

$$= \lambda_1 \cdot \lambda_2 \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_n$$

Feasible design goal: Choose stage mass ratios to maximize overall payload ratio

Scout

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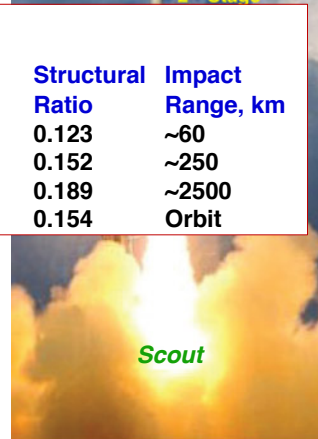
Scout Launch Vehicle

- Liftoff mass = 16,450 kg

Typical Figures for Scout

Stage	Isp, s, vac (SL)	Mass Ratio	Payload Ratio	Structural Ratio	Impact Range, km
1 (Algol)	284 (238)	2.08	0.358	0.123	~60
2 (Castor)	262 (232)	2.33	0.277	0.152	~250
3 (Antares)	295	2.53	0.207	0.189	~2500
4 (Altair)	280	2.77	0.207	0.154	Orbit

- Overall mass ratio = 34
- Overall payload ratio = 0.00425 = 0.425% (67-kg payload)



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Payload Ratios of a Two-Stage Rocket

- For equal specific impulses

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta V_I &= I_{sp} g_o [\ln \mu_1 + \ln \mu_2] \\ &= I_{sp} g_o [\ln \mu_1 \mu_2] = I_{sp} g_o [\ln \mu_{overall}]\end{aligned}$$

- Payload ratios for different structural ratios

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{\mu_1} - \eta_1 = \frac{1 - \mu_1 \eta_1}{\mu_1}; \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{1 - \mu_2 \eta_2}{\mu_2}$$

Propulsion and Staging Considerations
<http://www.princeton.edu/~stengel/Prop.pdf>

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Maximum Payload Ratio of a Two-Stage Rocket

- Overall payload ratio

$$\lambda_{overall} = \lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \frac{(1 - \mu_1 \eta_1)(1 - \mu_2 \eta_2)}{\mu_{overall}}$$

- Condition for a maximum with respect to first stage mass ratio

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_{overall}}{\partial \mu_1} = \frac{\left(-\eta_1 + \frac{\mu_{overall} \eta_2}{\mu_1^2} \right)}{\mu_{overall}} = 0$$

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Maximum Payload Ratio of a Two-Stage Rocket

Stage mass ratios

$$\mu_1 = \sqrt{\mu_{\text{overall}} \frac{\eta_2}{\eta_1}}; \quad \mu_2 = \sqrt{\mu_{\text{overall}} \frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2}}$$

Optimal payload ratio

$$\lambda_{\text{overall}} = \frac{1}{\mu_{\text{overall}}} - 2\sqrt{\frac{\eta_1 \eta_2}{\mu_{\text{overall}}}} + \eta_1 \eta_2$$

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Next Time:

Apollo & the Space Race:

*... The Heavens and the Earth, Ch 10,
Part 3 Conclusion*

A Man on the Moon, Ch 1 to 3, Part 1

Interplanetary Travel:

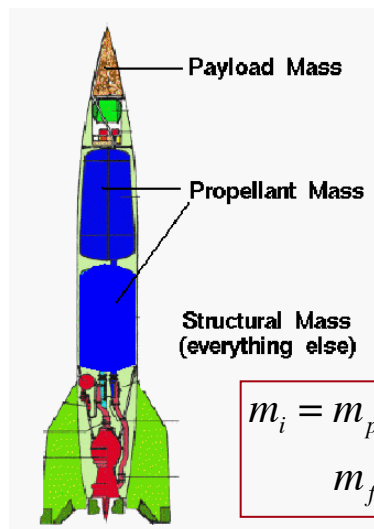
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Supplemental Material

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Vehicle Mass Components



***Initial and final
masses of a single-
stage rocket***

$$m_i = m_{\text{payload}} + m_{\text{structure/engine}} + m_{\text{propellant}}$$

$$m_f = m_{\text{payload}} + m_{\text{structure/engine}}$$

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Typical Values of Specific Impulse

- Chamber pressure = 7 MPa
(low by modern standards)
- Expansion to exit pressure = 0.1 MPa



Liquid-Fuel Rockets

Monopropellant	Isp, s	Vlsp, kg-s/m ³ x 10 ³
Hydrogen Peroxide	165	238
Hydrazine	199	201
Nitromethane	255	290

Bipropellant

Fuel	Oxidizer	Isp, s	Vlsp, kg-s/m ³ x 10 ³
Kerosene	Oxygen	301	307
	Flourine	320	394
	Red Fuming Nitric Acid	268	369
	Oxygen	390	109
Hydrogen	Flourine	410	189
	Nitrogen		
UDMH	Tetroxide	286	339

Solid-Propellant Rockets

Double-Base	Isp, s	Vlsp, kg-s/m ³ x 10 ³
AFU	196	297
ATN	235	376
JPN	250	405

Composite

JPL 540A	231	383
TRX-H609	245	431
PBAN (SSV)	260	461

Hybrid-Fuel Rocket

Fuel	Oxidizer	Isp, s
HTPB	N2O	250

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Rocket Characteristic Velocity, c^*

$$c^* = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \sqrt{\frac{R_o T_c}{M}}$$

where

$$\Gamma = \sqrt{\gamma} \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}$$

R_o = universal gas constant = $8.3 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^2 / \text{s}^2 \text{ } ^\circ\text{K}$

T_c = chamber temperature, $^\circ\text{K}$

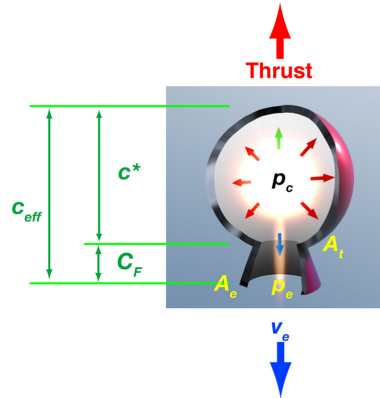
M = exhaust gas mean molecular weight

γ = ratio of specific heats ($\sim 1.2 - 1.4$)

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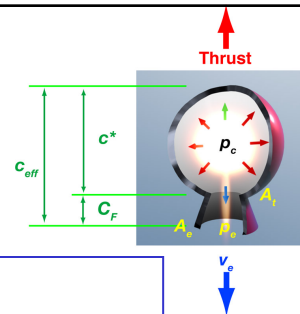
Rocket Characteristic Velocity, c^*

$$c^* = \frac{p_c A_t}{\dot{m}} = \text{exhaust velocity if } C_F = 1$$



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Rocket Thrust Coefficient, C_F



$$C_F = \frac{\text{Thrust}}{p_c A_t}$$

where

$$\text{Thrust} = \lambda \dot{m} v_e + A_e (p_e - p_{\text{ambient}})$$

$\lambda = \text{reduction ratio (function of nozzle shape)}$

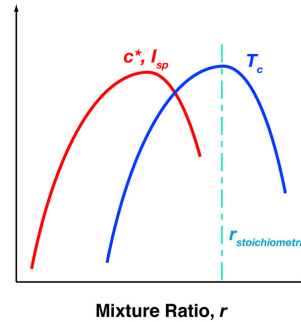
$$C_F = \lambda \Gamma \sqrt{\left(\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} \right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{p_e}{p_c} \right)^{(\gamma-1)/\gamma} \right]} + \left(\frac{p_e - p_{\text{ambient}}}{p_c} \right) \frac{A_e}{A_t}$$

- typically, $0.5 < C_F < 2$

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Mixture Ratio, r

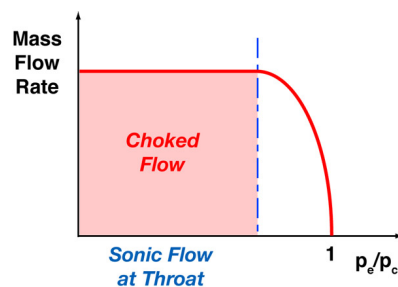
- *Stoichiometric mixture: complete chemical reaction of propellants*
- *Specific impulse maximized with lean mixture ratio, r (i.e., below stoichiometric maximum)*



$$r = \frac{\dot{m}_{\text{oxidizer}}}{\dot{m}_{\text{fuel}}}; \quad \dot{m}_{\text{fuel}} = \frac{\dot{m}_{\text{total}}}{1+r}; \quad \text{"leaner"} < r < \text{"richer"}$$

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Effect of Pressure Ratio on Mass Flow



In choked flow, mass flow rate is maximized

$$\dot{m} = \frac{\Gamma p_c A_t}{\sqrt{R_o T_c / M}}$$

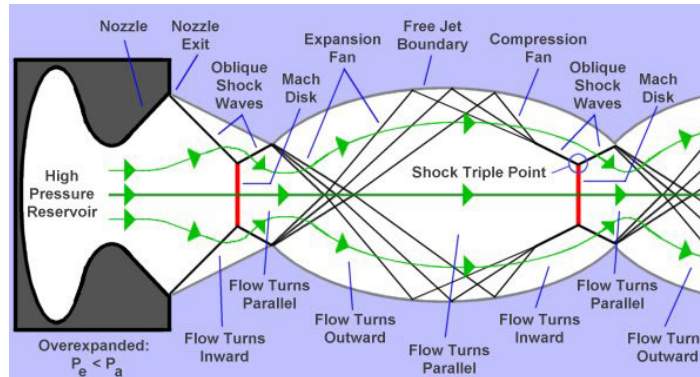
Choked flow occurs when

$$\frac{p_e}{p_c} \leq \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right)^{\gamma / (\gamma - 1)} \approx 0.53$$

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Shock Diamonds

When $p_e \neq p_a$, exhaust flow is over- or underexpanded
Effective exhaust velocity < maximum value



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qiMSko4HBe8>

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Volumetric Specific Impulse

Specific impulse

$$\Delta V_I = I_{sp} g_o \ln \mu = I_{sp} g_o \ln \left(\frac{m_{final} + m_{propellant}}{m_{final}} \right) = I_{sp} g_o \ln \left(1 + \frac{m_{propellant}}{m_{final}} \right)$$

$$= I_{sp} g_o \ln \left(1 + \frac{\text{Density}_{propellant} \cdot \text{Volume}_{propellant}}{m_{final}} \right)$$

$$\approx g_o I_{sp} \left(\frac{\rho_{propellant} \cdot \text{Volume}_{propellant}}{m_{final}} \right) = g_o (I_{sp} \rho_{propellant}) \frac{\text{Volume}_{propellant}}{m_{final}}$$

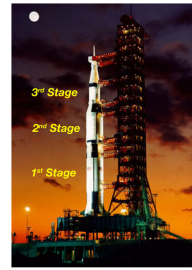
Volumetric specific impulse portrays
propellant density as well as performance

$$VI_{sp} \triangleq I_{sp} \rho_{propellant}$$

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Volumetric Specific Impulse

- For fixed volume and final mass, increasing volumetric specific impulse increases ideal velocity increment

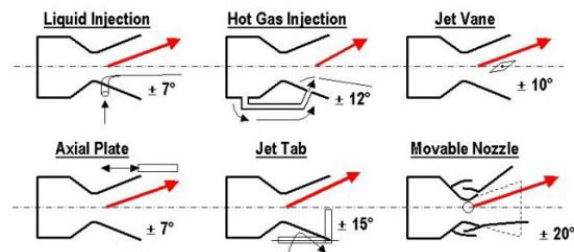


	Density, g/cc	Isp, s, SL	VIsp, s, SL	Isp, s, vac	VIsp, s, vac
LOX/Kerosene	1.3	265	345	304	395
LOX/LH2 (Saturn V)	0.28	360	101	424	119
LOX/LH2 (Shuttle)	0.28	390	109	455	127
Shuttle Solid Booster	1.35	242	327	262	354

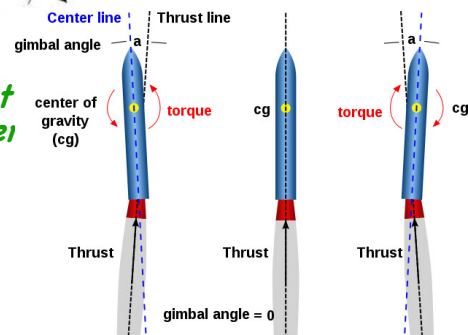
- Saturn V Specific Impulses, vacuum (sea level)**
 - 1st Stage, 5 F-1 LOX-Kerosene Engines: 304 s (265 s)
 - 2nd Stage, 5 J-2 LOX-LH2 Engines: 424 s (~360 s)
 - 3rd Stage, 1 J-2 LOX-LH2 Engine: 424 s (~360 s)

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Thrust Vectoring



- Maintain average thrust direction through center of mass
- Provide pitch and yaw control



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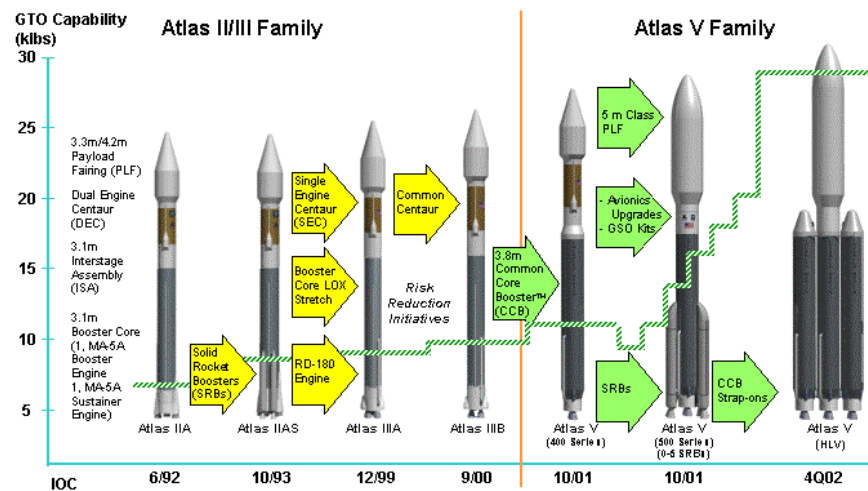
Strap-On Boosters

- *High volumetric specific impulse is desirable for first stage of multi-stage rocket*
- *Strap-on solid rocket boosters are a cost-effective way to increase mass and payload ratios*



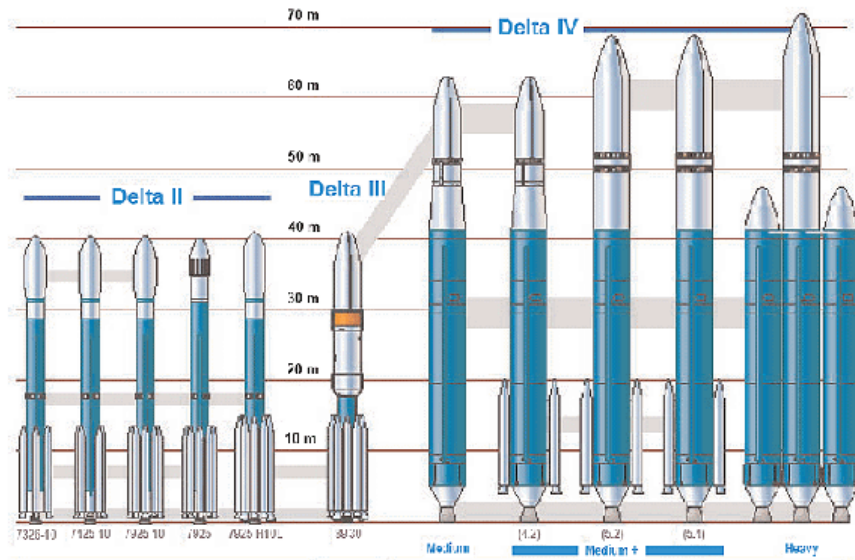
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Atlas Evolution



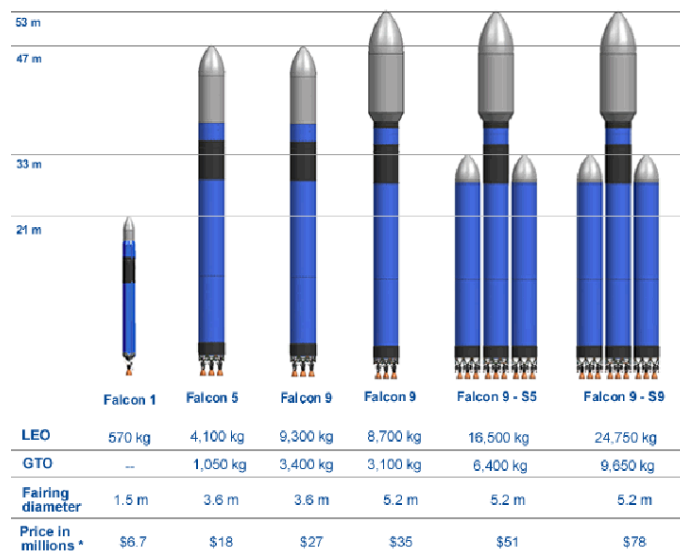
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Delta Evolution



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Falcon Evolution



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Space Launch System Configurations

