



# Propulsion Technology Direction

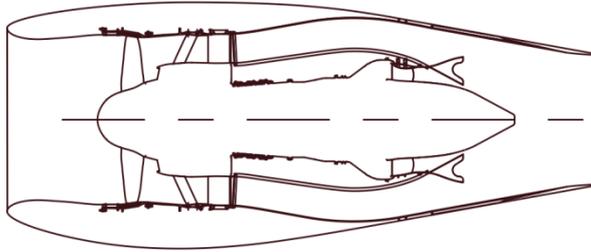


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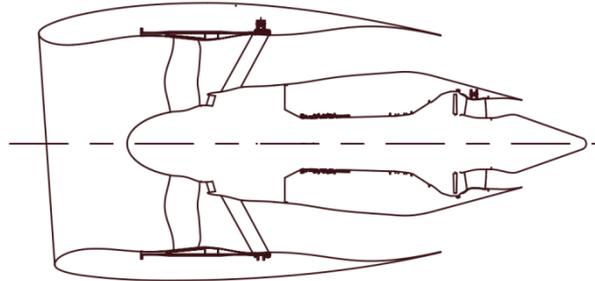


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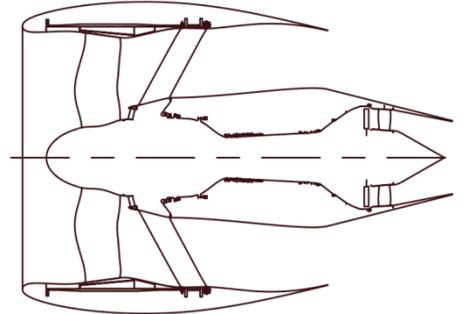
Short/Medium Range  
In Service  
BPR 5  
Fuel Burn Reference



2015-19  
BPR ~12  
-15%



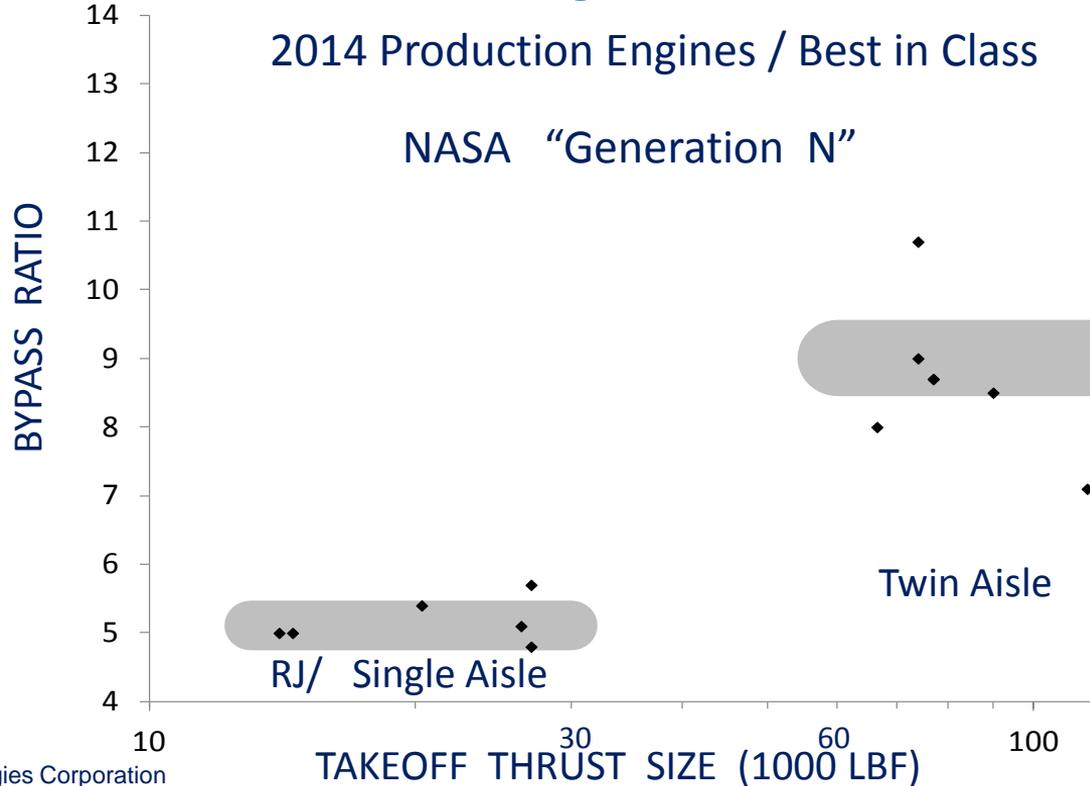
Longer Term  
BPR 15~18  
-20~30%



Propulsion Trend to Big Fans/ Small Cores

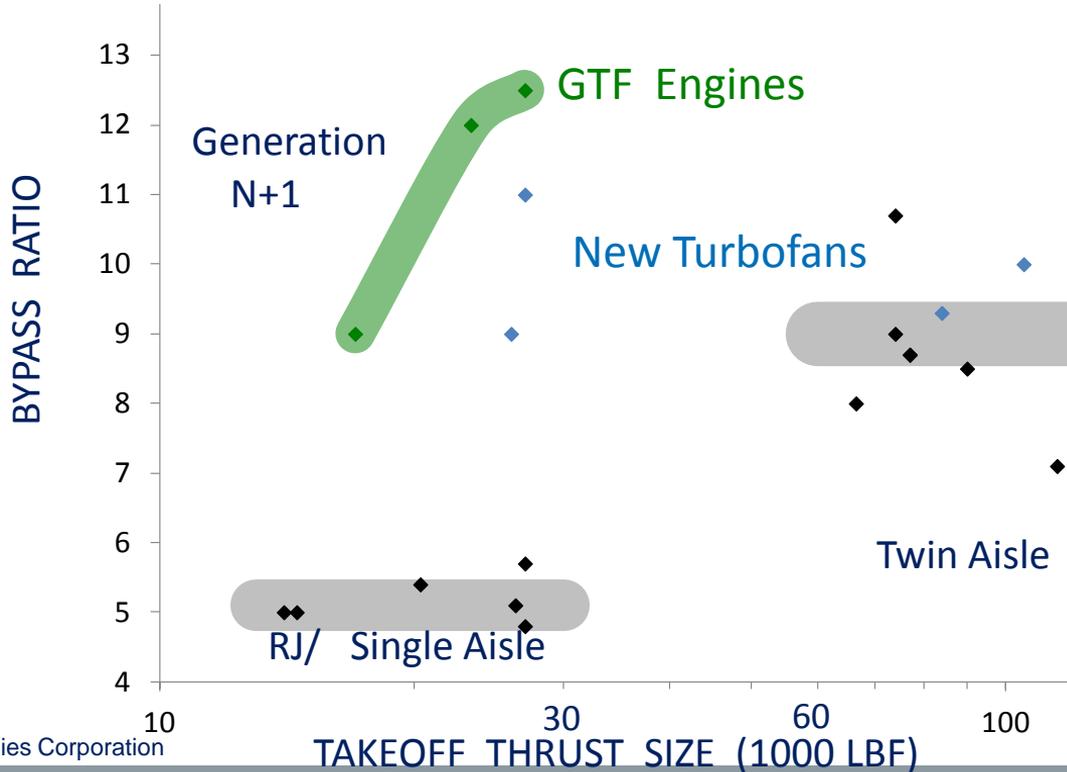


## BPR of Current Engines vs Thrust Size



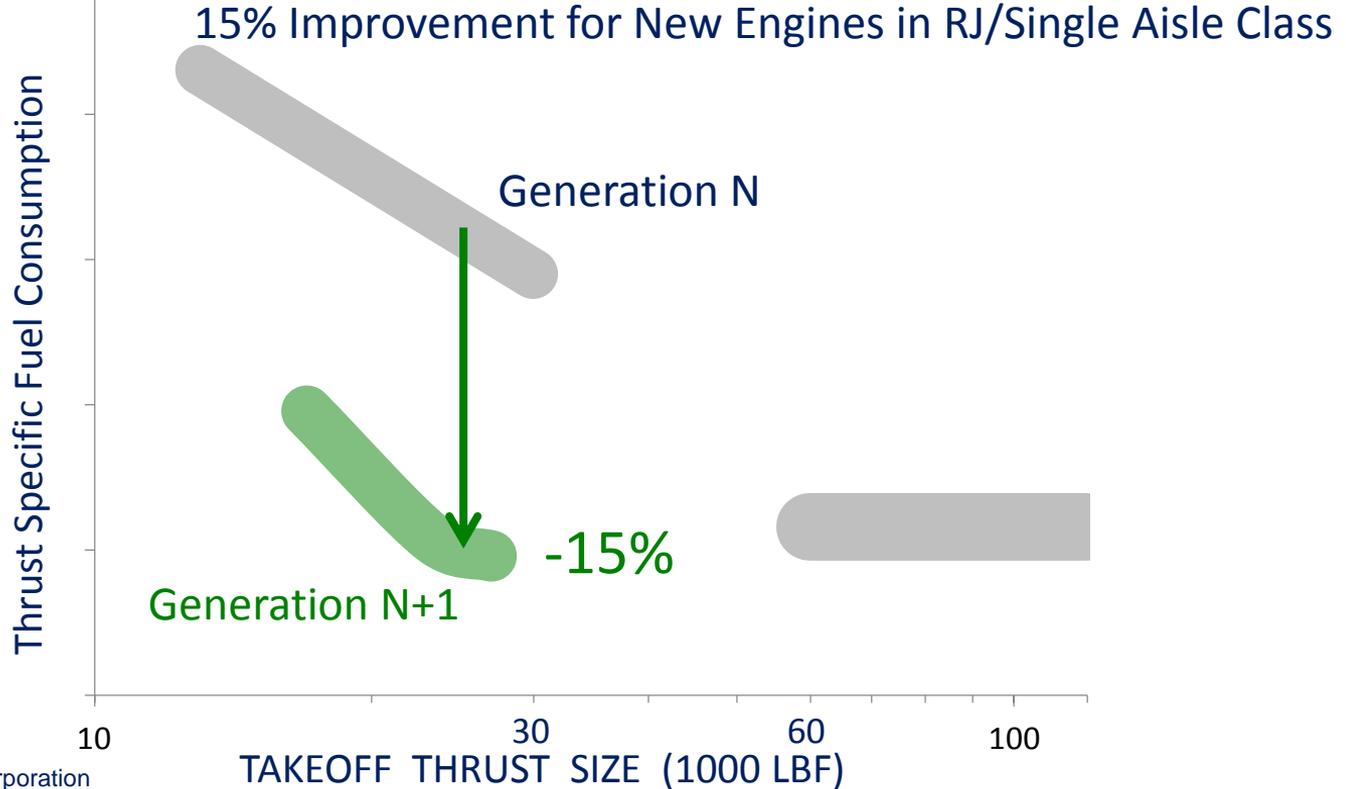


## BPR vs Thrust Size Including New Engines EIS 2015-2020



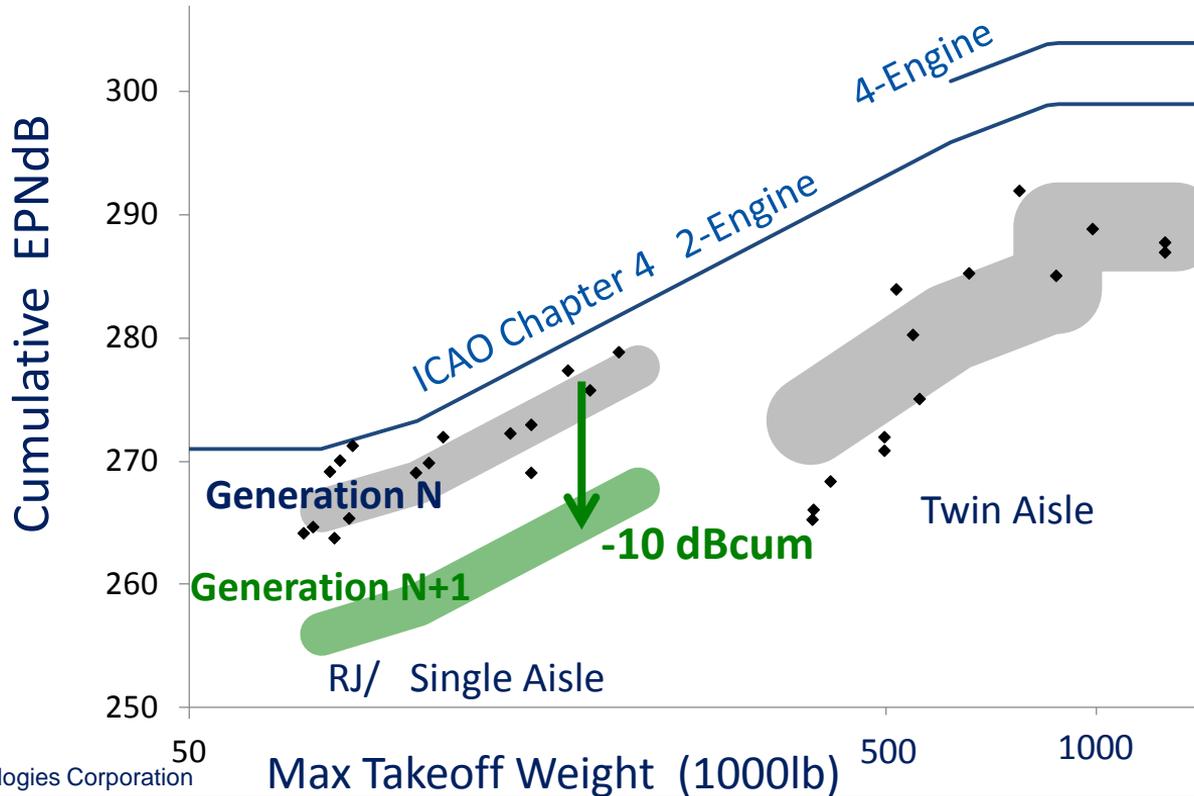


## TSFC vs Thrust Size



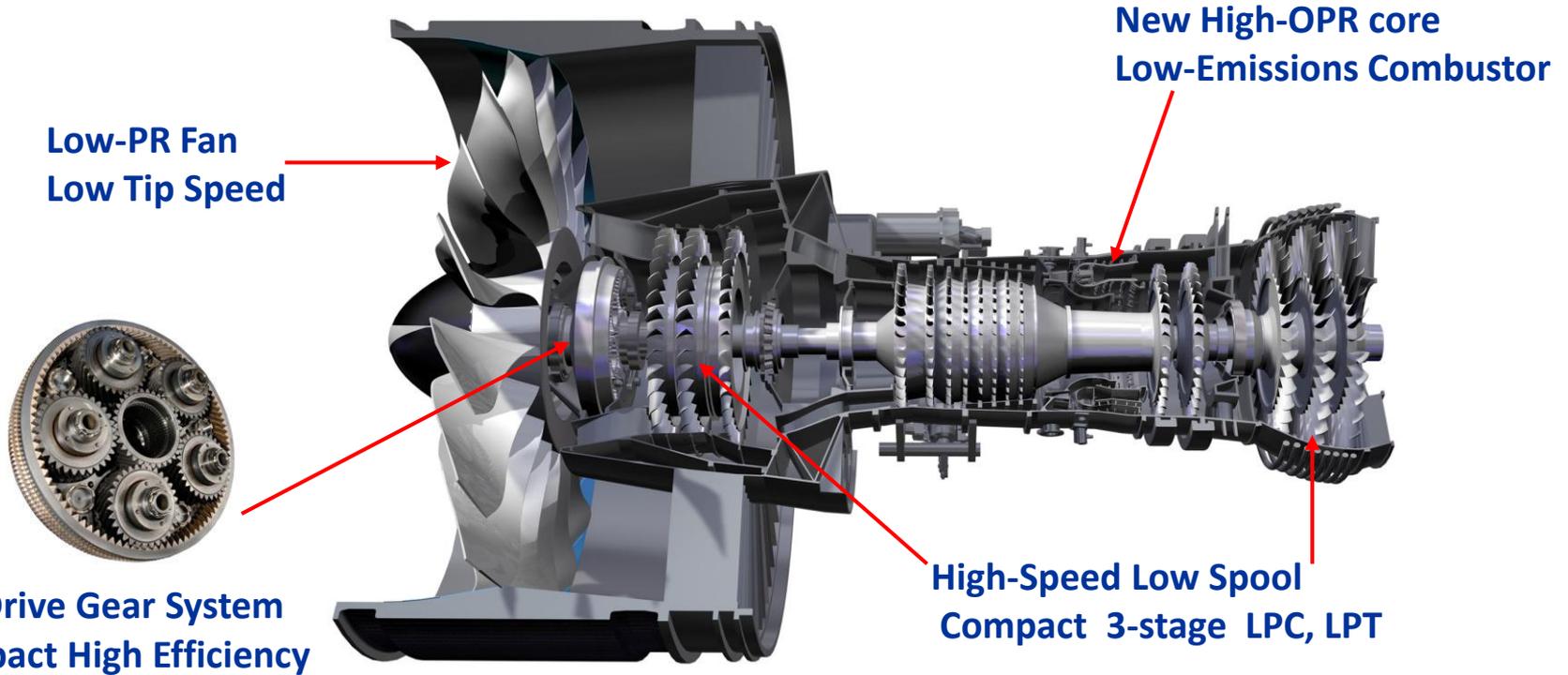


# Noise -10dBcum Improvement for New Engines in RJ/Single Aisle





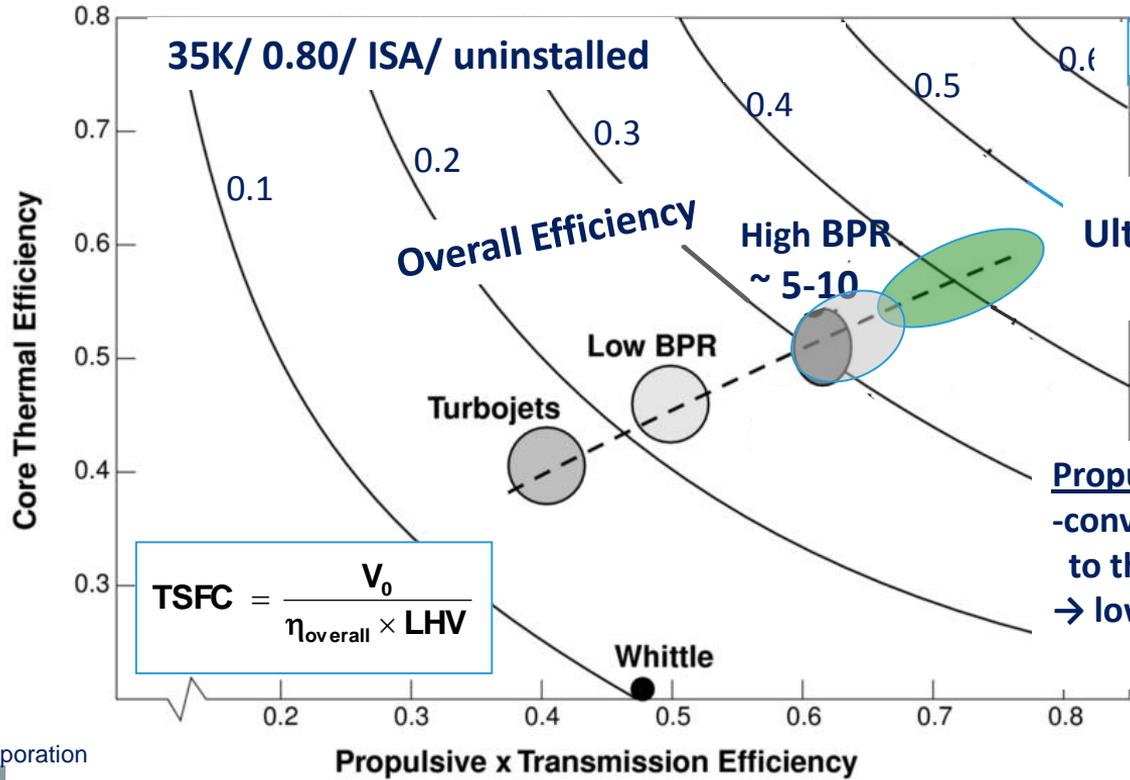
# GTF Engine Architecture – 2015 Configuration BPR = 12





## Performance Trend to Higher OPR , Lower FPR

**Thermal Efficiency**  
 -production of power  
 from fuel heat release  
 → increase  
**Overall Pressure Ratio  
 (OPR)**

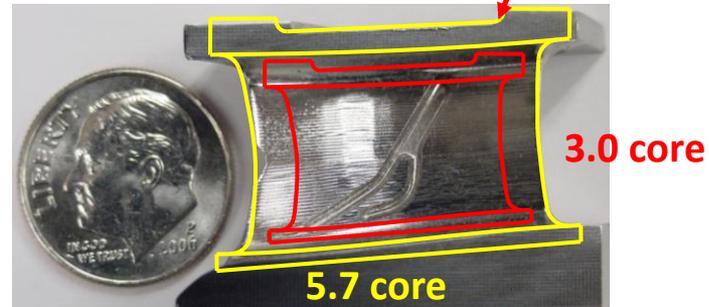
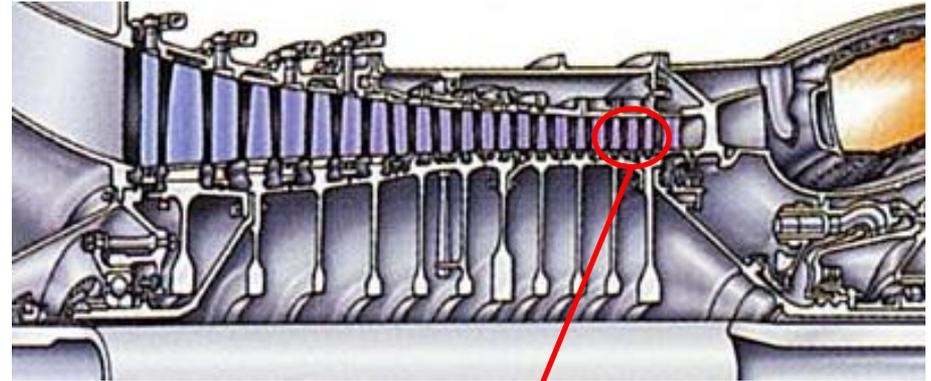
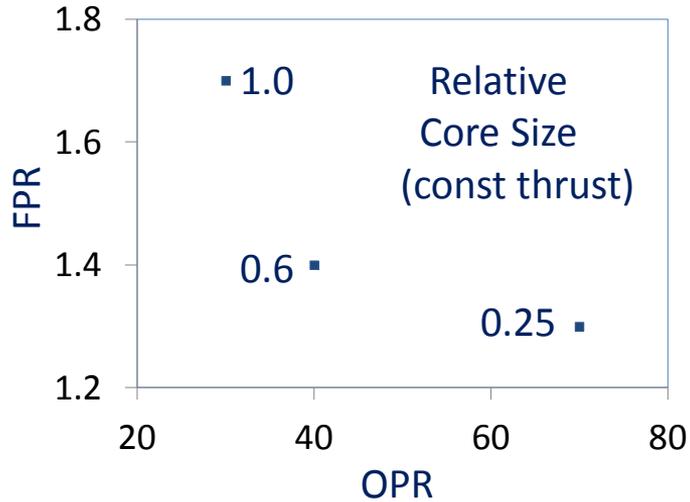


**Propulsive Efficiency**  
 -conversion of power  
 to thrust  
 → lower Fan Pressure Ratio  
**(FPR)**



## “Core Size” Design Issue for High-OPR Engines

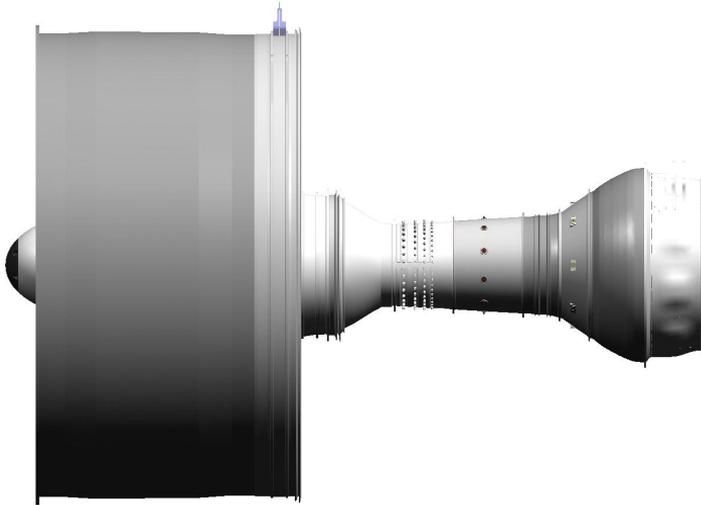
Compressor exit corrected flow  
“core size”  $\frac{W\sqrt{\theta}}{\delta}$





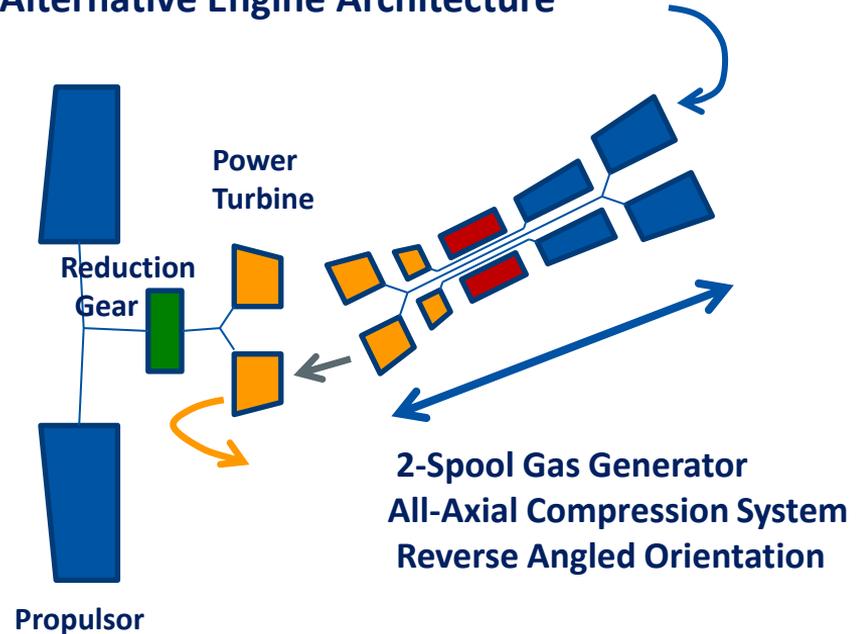
# Engine Architecture Design Issues for UHB propulsion

## Study GTF Engine at BPR=18



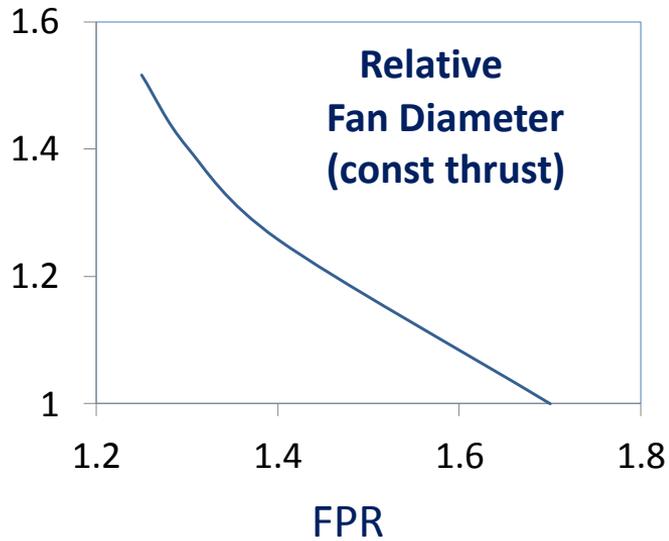
**Design Issues:** blade height at HPC exit  
fan drive shaft through small core  
backbone bending of case structure

## Alternative Engine Architecture





## Installation Challenge for Low-FPR/ High-BPR Engines

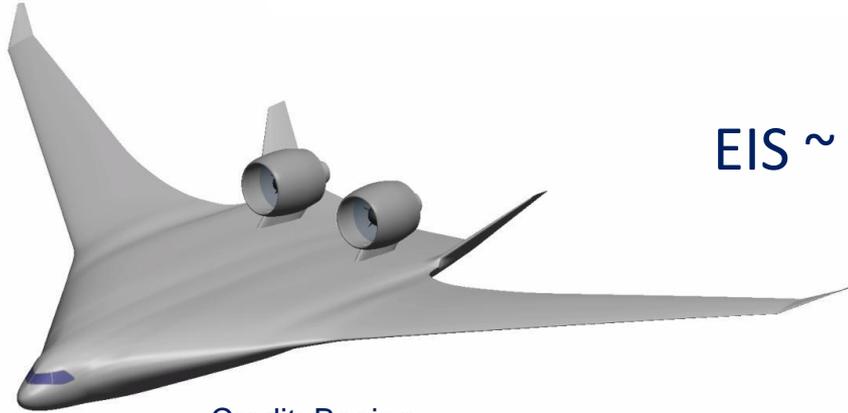


**Current 5:1 BPR**

**Future 18:1 BPR**

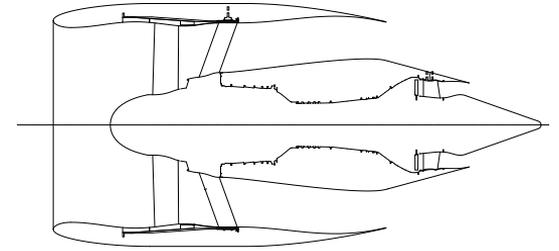


## N+2 Boeing BWB Aft Fuselage Installation



Credit: Boeing

EIS ~ 2025



Engine Takeoff Thrust Size 50K lbf  
GTF Engine Architecture

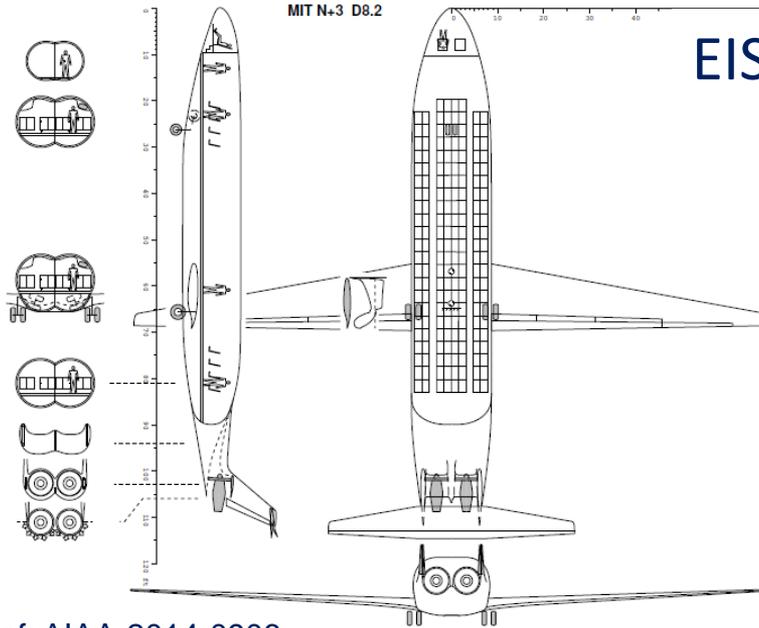
BPR ~ 13

### NASA N+2 Goals

Fuel Burn	-50% (Ref: 777/GE90)
Noise	Ch4 – 42 EPNdBcum
LTO NOX	CAEP/6 – 75%

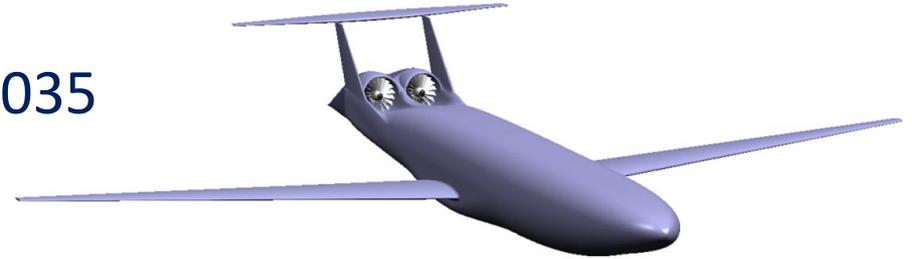


# N+3 MIT D8 (Double-Bubble) Configuration



Ref: AIAA-2014-0906

EIS ~ 2035



**Engine Takeoff Thrust Size 15K lbf**  
**Boundary Layer Ingesting Propulsion**  
**BPR ~ 20+**

NASA N+3 Goals	
Fuel Burn	-60% (Ref: 737-800/CFM56)
Noise	Ch4 – 52 EPNdBcum
LTO NOX	CAEP/6 -80%



## Propulsion Technology Direction - Summary

- -15% fuel burn and -10 dBcum enabled by new technology engines on regional jet and single-aisle aircraft 2015-2020
- Longer term goal -20 to -30% fuel burn contribution from engines (2025+)
- Future propulsion design challenges involve small cores and big fans -alternative architectures at engine and vehicle level may be required