

CHAPTER 3

Turbine Engine Design and Construction

TURBINE ENGINE ENTRANCE DUCTS

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KEY POINTS

1. Commercial airliners and business jets have an inlet (entrance) duct with a _____ shape.
 - A. Convergent
 - B. Divergent
2. Supersonic aircraft have an inlet duct with a _____ shape.
 - A. Convergent
 - B. Convergent-divergent
3. Ram recovery is the point where pressure inside the inlet equals _____ pressure outside the inlet.
 - A. Ambient
 - B. Ram
4. A low-speed aircraft such as a helicopter that is not designed for ram recovery will often have an inlet duct with a _____ shape.
 - A. Convergent
 - B. Divergent
5. Refer to Figure 3-10C in the textbook. The sand and ice separator is operated by a cockpit _____.
 - A. Control handle
 - B. Mechanical lever
6. The function of a vortex dissipater is to break up suction being created _____.
 - A. At ground level
 - B. At the inlet duct

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. What type or shape of flight inlet is found on a business jet?
 - A. Convergent
 - B. Divergent
 - C. Variable geometry
2. What do the words “variable geometry inlet duct” refer to?
 - A. A supersonic flight inlet
 - B. A subsonic flight inlet
 - C. A movable inlet screen
3. What is the velocity of gases flowing at the waist of a C-D inlet duct when the aircraft is flying at supersonic cruise speed?
 - A. Subsonic
 - B. Sonic
 - C. Supersonic

4. Ram recovery refers to increasing what?
 - A. Velocity in the flight inlet
 - B. Thrust in the flight inlet
 - C. Compression in the flight inlet

5. The typical subsonic aircraft will receive what compression ratio from its flight inlet at cruise airspeed?
 - A. 0.5:1
 - B. 1.5:1
 - C. 5.0:1

6. Which of the following is more likely to have a screen installed in its inlet duct?
 - A. Turbojet
 - B. Turboprop
 - C. Turbofan

7. What is the purpose of the inlet separator?
 - A. To remove air velocity
 - B. To remove air pressure
 - C. To remove sand and ice

NOTES

ACCESSORY SECTION

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KEY POINTS

1. The main accessory section of a turbine engine is most often mounted externally on the engine at the _____ position.
A. 6 o'clock
B. 12 o'clock
2. The sump where oil collects before returning to the oil tank is located in the _____ gearbox.
A. Accessory
B. Auxiliary

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. What is the main unit of the accessory section?
A. Fuel pump
B. Fuel control
C. Gearbox

COMPRESSOR SECTION

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KEY POINTS

1. The primary purpose of the compressor section is to increase air _____.
A. Pressure
B. Velocity
2. A secondary purpose of the compressor is to provide air for internal engine cooling known as engine _____ air.
A. Bleed
B. Cooling
3. The compressor also provides air to aircraft systems known as _____ bleed air.
A. Cooling
B. Customer
4. The centrifugal compressor raises air pressure by accelerating air molecules outward (radially) into a _____ outlet duct.
A. Convergent-shaped
B. Divergent-shaped
5. The axial flow compressor raises air pressure by accelerating air molecules rearward and then directing them into numerous _____ ducts formed by the stator vanes.
A. Convergent-shaped
B. Divergent-shaped
6. Stator vanes are placed at the rear of the rotor blades for the purpose of raising static pressure by the process of _____.
A. Diffusion
B. Divergence

7. Compressor blade roots are normally of the _____ design.
 - A. Dovetail
 - B. Fir tree
8. The main function of inlet guide vanes is to create a change in the _____ of airflow entering the first stage of compression.
 - A. Angle
 - B. Velocity
9. The compressor pressure ratio of a dual-spool turbofan engine is a ratio of the pressure after the last stage of compression to the pressure at the inlet of the _____.
 - A. Fan
 - B. HP compressor
10. The compression ratio of a fan stage is a ratio of the pressure at the fan discharge to the pressure at the fan _____.
 - A. Exhaust
 - B. Inlet
11. The fan bypass ratio is not a pressure ratio but rather a ratio of two _____ airflow values.
 - A. Mass
 - B. Velocity
12. The centrifugal section of a combination compressor is always placed at the _____.
 - A. Front
 - B. Rear
13. Combination compressors are used almost exclusively in _____ engines.
 - A. Large
 - B. Small
14. The two vector forces that influence velocity and direction of compressor airflow are the inlet effect and the _____ effect.
 - A. R.p.m.
 - B. Velocity

RESEARCH QUESTIONS

1. The ideal compressor will produce the greatest compression with the least what?
 - A. Velocity rise
 - B. Pressure rise
 - C. Temperature rise
2. What is the maximum number of stages that can be used successfully in a centrifugal flow compressor?
 - A. One
 - B. Two
 - C. Three
3. What main advantage does a centrifugal compressor have over an axial compressor?
 - A. Low weight
 - B. High overall compression
 - C. Narrow diameter
4. What makes up a stage of axial flow compression?
 - A. A set of rotor blades
 - B. A set of rotor blades followed by a set of stator vanes
 - C. A set of stator vanes