

# CHALLENGES OF UHBR POWERPLANTS (**ULTRA HIGH BYPASS RATIO**)

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## Longstanding objectives of fuel burn and emission reductions assigned to aeronautical industry IPPS mounted under wing

⇒ For example, the B737 story :



1970 : JT8D  
Fan diameter : 49,2 ''  
Bypass ratio : 1,7



1998 : CFM56-7B  
Fan diameter : 61''  
Bypass ratio : 5,5



2017 : LEAP-1B  
Fan diameter : 69''  
Bypass ratio : 9



Next A/C generation  
> 2025 : UHBR  
Fan diameter : > 80''  
Bypass ratio : > 12  
smallest nacelle

## How to improve the engine performance?

- **Increase bypass ratio is possible via either larger fan (more drag) or smaller HP core (lower performance)**

➔ Engine efficiency increases to the detriment of IPPS weight and drag

- **More overall pressure ratio (OPR) ➔ Hotter engine**

➔ Need to have a thermal management without negative impacts to SFC, weight and pressure losses

- **Add more actuators to optimize the engine performances during all flight phases**

➔ Engine more complex in terms of control and installation



## How to improve the IPPS (\*) performance?

- **A larger fan without more drag**
  - More compact nacelle
- **Engine efficiency increases → More engine thermal dissipations**
  - Need to add more heat exchangers around the engine
- **Minimize systems (EBU: Engine Built Up) weight between engine and A/C**
  - Optimize the EBU routing and size



Need to have a compact nacelle around the equipped engine  
Minimize IPPS weight and drag impact

**Answer is : having a better integration around the engine**



**(\*) IPPS = Integrated PowerPlant System**

## UHBR constraints vs aircraft



- **Interaction between IPPS and wing due to the ground clearance or collapsed nose gear**



Impact on the main landing gear length

Thrust reverser efficiency could be decreased due to ram drag increases

Impossibility to replace current engine with UHBR w/o aircraft modifications

- **Reduce the max nacelle diameter**



Minimize the equipment number and volume in the fan compartment

Reduce the IPPS drag

- **IPPS weight impact on A/C structures**



Increase the A/C weight

## Systems optimization

### UHBR architecture = challenge for IPPS equipment

- less space for the engine systems installation

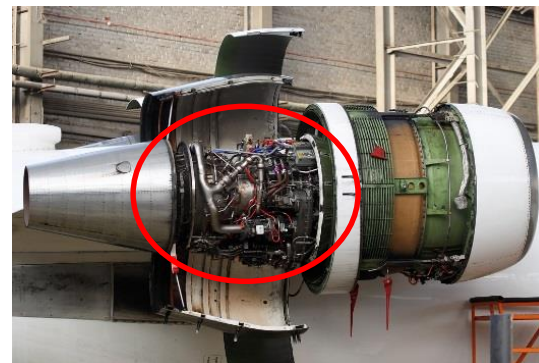
➔ almost no space available in fan area ➔ AGB in the core compartment

- less space for ventilation solutions

➔ higher temperature in the engine compartments

### Use of existing IPPS equipment technologies would:

- Drastically reduce UHBR performances (bigger aerolines)
- Drastically increase development time (additional iterations needed to find the best solution for equipment integration)



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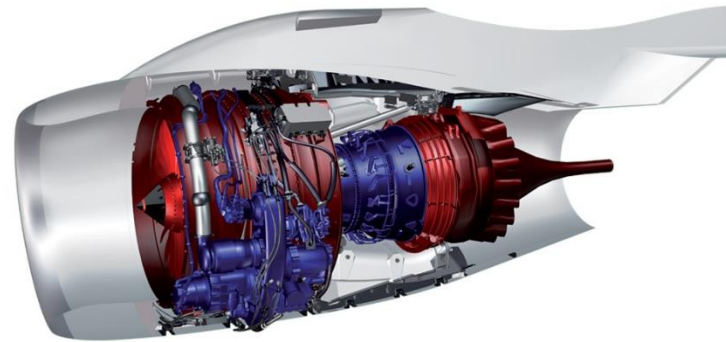
## Systems optimization

### UHBR architecture = challenge for IPPS equipment

- More compact IPPS systems
  - ➔ Define common systems
  - ➔ Use composite for brackets and pipes ➔ Weight reduction
- Merge IPPS functions
  - ➔ One control system for engine and nacelle

For example, common actuator for booster anti-ice and starter bleed valve

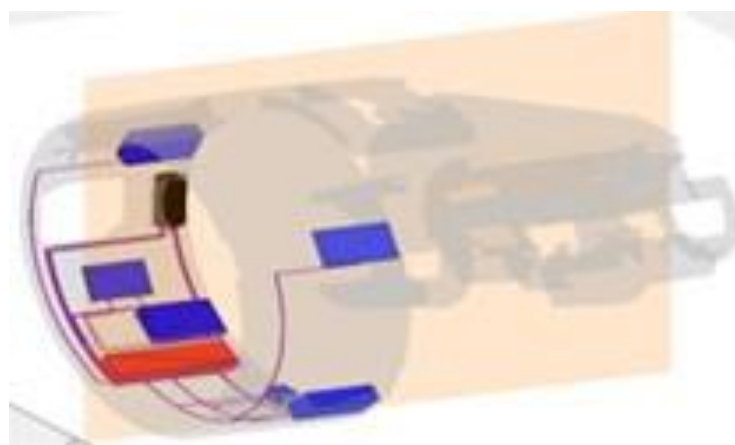
- Equipment modules
  - ➔ Optimize the equipment packaging ➔ reduce connections between systems
  - ➔ trade between maintenance time/cost and weight



## Systems optimization

### UHBR architecture = challenge for IPPS equipment

- Clear view of IPPS systems installation around the engine
  - ➡ Integrate all systems with minimum time.
  - ➡ Modify quickly the equipment location with all interfaces
  - ➡ Harnesses and pipes routing to minimize the bracket quantity and weight
- Define the keep in zone for each system and optimize installation constraints
  - ➡ Equipment interface optimization
- Maintenance
  - ➡ Maintenance simulation for access and tools





## Thermal management

### IPPS new generation requests thermal management optimization

- More thermal power dissipation (Engine and A/C electrical generators)
  - ➔ Need to install additional heat exchangers without IPPS performance impacts

### Some current solutions

- Brick heat exchanger
  - ➔ Occupies significant volume in the fan or core compartments
- Surface heat exchanger
  - ➔ Need space in the flow and minimize the pressure losses
  - ➔ Interaction with the nacelle and maintenance access



# Reduce development schedule

**IPPS and A/C are defined in the same time in parallel**

→ Need to optimize the development time for each component

➔ Schedule reduction



## Other architecture for UHBR

### Open Rotor

- The Open Rotor features a breakthrough architecture, with two counter-rotating, unshrouded fans, allowing to reduce fuel consumption and CO2 emissions by 30% compared to current CFM56 engines



All technologies studied during NIPSE program will be used for next architecture generation

# Questions?

