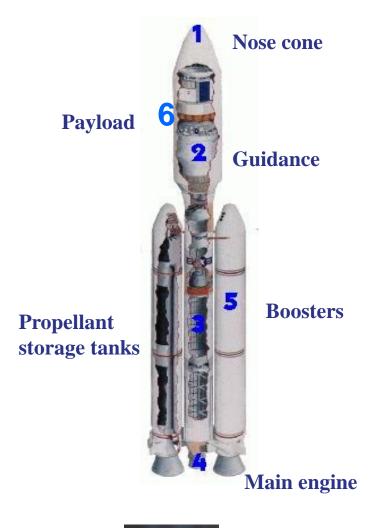
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## 太空發射火箭類別與安全(等級)概述

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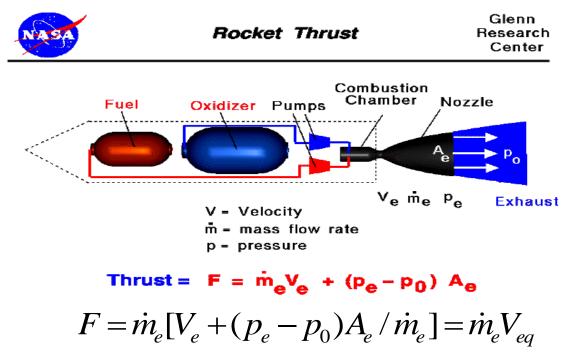
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- Major Rocket components:
  - *1. Nose cone* to reduce aerodynamic drag during launching.
  - 2. Guidance/Control system- to control altitude and attitude of the rocket and transfer data and commands.
  - 3. Storage tanks- to store the liquid or solid propellants for use
  - 4. Main engine- to burn propellants in the combustion chamber and generate thrust through the nozzle
  - 5. Boosters- to provide extra thrust during launching
  - 6. *Payload* the items carried for the mission





- Thrust Equation and Specific Impulse
  - Thrust Equation



Where Veq, also called the effective exhaust velocity "c"

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- Specific impulse

Total change in momentum *I* :

 $I = \int F dt = \int \dot{m}_e V_{eq} dt$ if  $V_{eq} = \text{constant}$  $I = m_p V_{eq}$ 

Define the specific impulse  $I_{sp}$ 

$$I_{sp} = I / m_p = V_{eq} = F / \dot{m}_e$$

in weight flow

$$I_{sp} = I / m_p g = V_{eq} / g = F / \dot{m}_e g \quad (sec)$$

Note:

- 1. Specific impulse is the most important single measure of rocket engine performance
- 2. The unit of specific impulse, (specific thrust), "seconds" (not time, but an abbreviation of the dimension lb-s/lb; lb/(lb/s)).



## **Background – Performance Parameters of a LRE**

### □ Specific impulse, *Isp*

 $Isp = F/\dot{W}$ 

### The ideal delta-v

 $\Delta V = g x Is x In(R)$ 

Where the mass ratio, R is defined as

R = Initial vehicle total gross weight/burnout weight

E.g. the velocity required to maintain a circular orbit at an altitude of 100 n. mi. is about 25,600 ft/s;

□ The effective exhaust velocity c, characteristic velocity c\* and thrust coefficient Cf

 $(Isp)_{tc} = c/g, \quad c = c*Cf$ 

"cee-star" is used to rate the propellant combustion performance. The thrust coefficient Cf is a **dimensionless** parameter used to measure the gas expansion performance through **the nozzle**.

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Based upon ideal nozzle performance and ideal 1-D isentropic relation for the nozzle, for ideal thrust equation,
 Thrust F= f(throat area, A<sub>t</sub>, nozzle inlet pressure, p<sub>1</sub>, pressure ratio

across the nozzle,  $p_1/p_2$ , specific heat ratio, k,),

- Define the thrust coefficient, *C*<sub>F</sub>

 $F = C_F A_t p_1$ 

- The *Characteristic exhaust velocity c\**, is frequently used in the rocket design and performance, and it is defined as

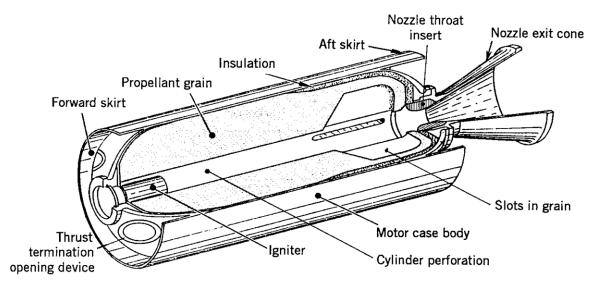
 $c *= c/C_{F=}(I_{sp}g/C_F)=(p_1A_t/m_e)$ 

 $c^*$  is used primarily with chemical rocket design. It is usually a figure of merit of the propellant combination and combustion chamber design and is independent of the nozzle characteristics. It can be determined theoretically from properties of hot gases and in good agreement with experiment and has been generally used in design calculation.



### • Solid vs. Liquid Propellant

- Solid Propellant rocket
  - Major components of solid rocket: propellant grain, igniter, combustion cylinder, nozzle.

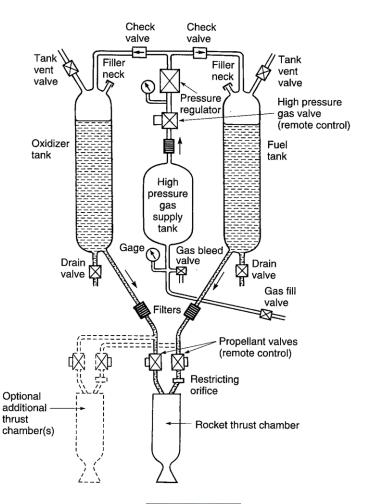




- Advantages and disadvantages solid propellants
  - Advantages:
    - High reliability, no moving parts
    - High mass fraction
    - Simple and easy to operate
    - No leakage problem
    - Long storage period
    - Reduced size and drag
  - Disadvantages:
    - Low propellant energy and short burning period
    - Not adjustable for thrust level, burning period and restart
    - May degrade due to long period of storage
    - Need insulation coating for combustor and nozzle
    - Produce toxic exhaust



- Liquid propellant rockets
  - Major components:
    - Combustion
      Chamber
    - Igniter,
    - Nozzle,
    - Propellant storage tanks and feed system (including: valves, throttle and flow controling devices etc.)





- Advantages and disadvantages liquid propellants
  - Advantages:
    - High specific impulse
    - Better thrust control, including throttling, restart capability and thrust termination
    - Reusable parts
    - Non-toxic exhaust
    - Multiple burns configuration
    - Reduced launch accident and failure
  - Disadvantages:
    - Complicated system and low mass fraction
    - Propellant leakage
    - Cryogenic propellant not storable
    - Sloshing during flight affects flight stability



#### - Selection considerations

- Solid rockets are useful
  - for high thrust, compact package in a single burn requirements – First stage propulsion.
  - also for reliable, ease of integration, and simplified ground operational requirements – for apogee and perigee "kick motor" for Earth-orbiting spacecrafts.
- Liquid rockets are useful
  - For accurate throttling requirements such as planetary landers and ascent propulsion systems.
- Selection of solid, liquid or combination is a design issue with no single "correct" resolution.
- Design cares should be exercised for possible mechanical failures due to advanced design, such as thrust variations and thrust vector control for solid rockets and deep throttling for liquid rockets.



### 再用型載具發展

- ▶ 1969年人類登陸月球後,因耗資龐大的農神五型火箭僅可 用於一次推送太空船任務,構思設計可重複使用的發射載 具。
- ▶ 1972年美國正式開始進行太空梭計畫,1981年由『哥倫比 亞號』進行第一次飛行。
- 太空梭計畫的目的是發展可重複使用100次以上的太空船 (軌道船100次,主引擎55次,固體火箭25次),每次使 用僅需二~四週的修復作業,即可再執行任務。



### 再用型載具發展-1

▶<u>太空梭</u>的設計是結合發射載具、太空船及滑 翔機為一體,垂直起飛水平降落:

- ▶ 軌道船:一個具有三角翼的載人飛機
- ▶ 加力器:兩具固體火箭助推器
- ▶外部燃料箱:儲存主引擎的液體推進劑(液態氧 及液態氫)。
- ▶太空梭的建造:
  - ▶ 企業號(1976)、哥倫比亞號(1981)、挑戰者號(1982)、發現號(1983)、亞特蘭提斯號(1985)及努力號(1991)。

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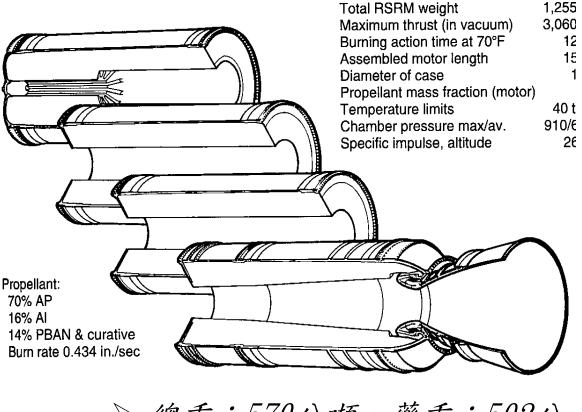
▶太空梭屬於第一代的再用型載具。估計每次 發射須動員3000人,經費約美金5億元





▶ 藥柱燃畢後,點燃前 、後端的各四個小型 分離火箭,與外部燃 料槽分離。

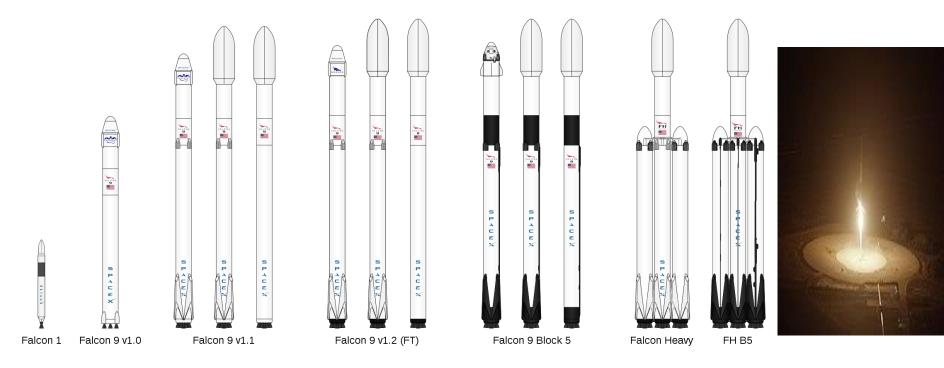
▷ 海上回收時,先堵住 噴嘴利於漂浮,並保 護燃燒室內部,拖回 港口拆解清洗。



▶ 總重:570公噸,藥重:502公 頓。藥重比:0.88



## Space X 獵鷹號可回收火箭系列



從左至右分別為<u>獵鷹1號火箭、獵鷹9號火箭1.0版、獵鷹9號火箭</u> <u>1.1版</u>的三個版本、<u>獵鷹9號運載火箭全推力版</u>的三個版本、<u>獵鷹9</u> <u>號Block 5</u>的三個版本以及<u>獵鷹重型火箭</u>的兩個版本

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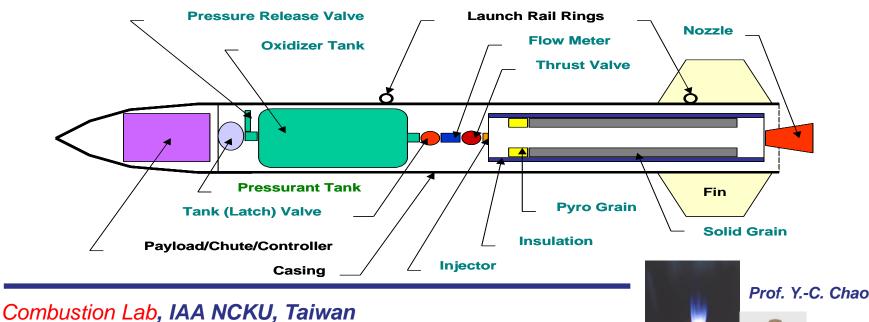


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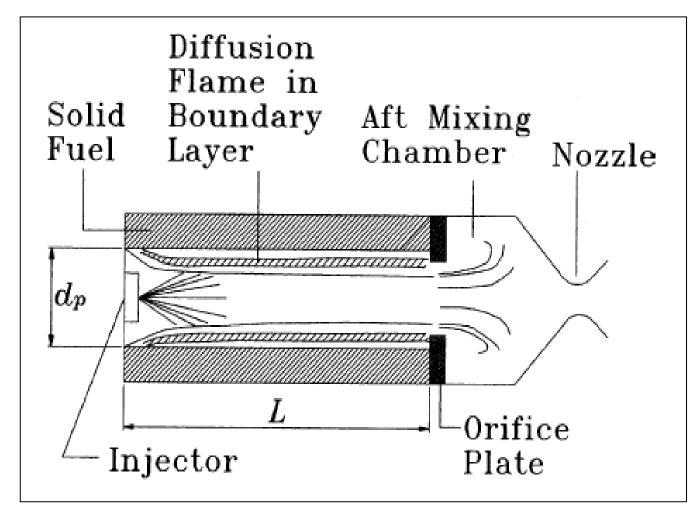
### **Introduction of Hybrid Rocket**

### **The characteristic of the hybrid propellant system**

- > It can be assumed the solid propellant carrying liquid oxidizer.
- > It possesses high safety and controllability characteristics.
- The fuel and the oxidizer are stored separately, so the thrust can be controlled by the flow rate of the oxidizer. Even the rocket can be shutdown and restart.



# Fundamentals



Schematics of hybrid rocket configuration

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# Specific Advantages of Hybrid Rockets

- *1. Improved Safety, High Reliability and Minimal Environmental Impact*
- 2. Simplified Throttling and Shutdown
- *3. Propellant Versatility*
- *4. Greater Operability and Reduced Servicing Requirements*
- 5. Relatively Low System Cost
- 6. High Propulsion Performance

## Specific Disadvantages of Hybrid Rockets

- 1. Combustion efficiencies of hybrid rockets (typically 93–98%)
- 2. The density impulse of hybrid rockets is usually lower than that of solid propellant rockets
- 3. The regression rates of commonly used solid fuels in classical hybrids are relatively low in comparison with solid propellants
- 4. Some fuel "slivers" could remain in the combustion chamber the effective solid-fuel mass fraction is slightly reduced in the hybrid motor.
- 5. Oxidizer-to-fuel mass ratio can vary during hybrid motor operation, resulting in slight variations in specific impulse.
- 6. The predictive analytical models and numerical codes have not yet reached a highly matured stage

國際探空火箭發展路徑與經驗

◆固態火箭發動機

→輕便與軍事應用支持,技術相對成熟。

→ 無法重複點火

→ 危險性高, 需專門人員及存放場地。

◆液態火箭發動機

→可控推力,燃燒效率高。

→系統複雜

→需投入大量人力及時間研發相關技術

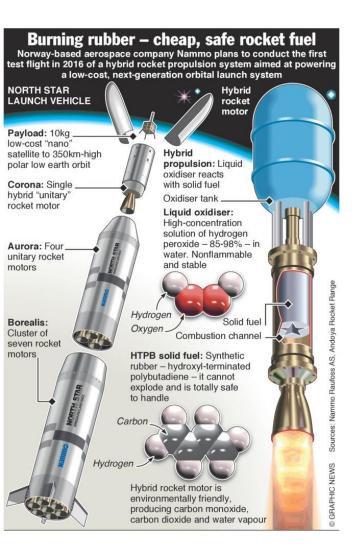
#### ◆混合火箭發動機

→系統較簡單

#### →可重複點火

→燃料、氧化劑分開存放,危險性較低適合學術研究。

→傳統燃燒效率不佳,導致比衝(Isp)較低,較適合上層火箭。



Fuel	Oxidizer	Optimum O/F	Sca level I <sub>sp</sub> , s	<i>c</i> *, ft/s
HTPB	LOX	1.9	280	5972
$PMM(C_5H_8O_2)$	LOX	1.5	259	5449
HTPB	N <sub>2</sub> O	7.1	247	5264
HTPB	$N_2O_4$	3.5	258	5456
HTPB	RFNA	4.3	247	5219
HTPB	$FLOX(OF_2)$	3.3	314	6701
Li/LiH/HTPB	$FLOX(OF_2)$	2.8	326	6950
PE	LOX	2.5	279	5877
PE	N <sub>2</sub> O	8.0	247	5248
Paraffin	LÕX	8ae52563c30	176281-70	5920
Paraffin	N <sub>2</sub> O	8.0	248	5268
Paraffin	$N_2O_4$	4.0	259	5469
HTPB/Al(40%)	LOX	1.1	274	5766
HTPB/Al(40%)	N <sub>2</sub> O	3.5	252	5370
HTPB/Al(40%)	N2O4	1.7	261	5509
HTPB/Al(60%)	FLOX(OF <sub>2</sub> )	2.5	312	6582
Cellulose (C6H10O5)	GOX	1.0	247	5159
Carbon	Air	11.3	184	4017
Carbon	LOX	1.9	249	5245
Carbon	N <sub>2</sub> O	6.3	236	4992
	Cryoge	enic hybrids		
Pentane(s)	LOX	2.7	279	5870
CH <sub>4</sub> (s)	LOX	3.0	291	6140
CH4(s)/Be(36%)	LOX	1.3	306	6292
NH <sub>3</sub> (s)/Be(26%)	LOX	0.47	307	6452
	Rever	se hybrids		
JP-4	AN	17.0	216	4651
JP:43c3017ba4c70	04a88 <b>AP</b> /5c9e	94 9.1	235	5007
JP-4	NP	3.6	259	5476

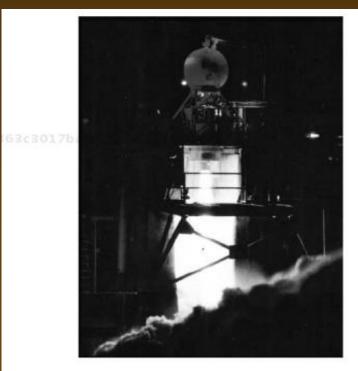


Fig. 3 High energy upper stage hybrid-fuel: Li/LiH/PBAN oxidizer: F2/O2.

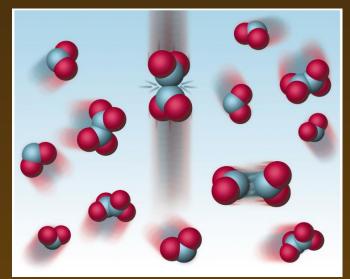
# Criteria for oxidizer selection

- Performance
  - Isp
- Economic factors
  - availability, cost, logistics
- Hazards
  - Corrosion
    - Nitrogen tetroxide, hydrogen peroxide, fluorine
      ignition of cotton wool soaked in liquid oxygen
  - Explosion hazard
    - Often in the presence of impurities: hydrogen peroxide, liquid oxygen
  - Fire hazard
    - Vigorous reaction with many compounds: nitric acid, fluorine, etc
  - Health hazards
    - Toxicity, carcinogenity



## Desirable oxidizer properties

- Low freezing point
- High density
- Stability and storability
- Heat transfer properties
  - For regenerative cooling:
    - high specific heat,
    - high thermal conductivity
    - high boiling/decomposition temperature
- Pumping properties
  - Low vapor pressure and low viscosity are desirable
- Small temperature effects
  - E.g. density as function of temperature
- Ignition, combustion and flame properties



dynamic equilibrium between N2O4 and NO2

# Criteria for fuel selection

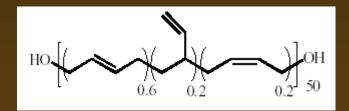
- Performance
  - Isp
- Economic factors
  - availability, cost, logistics
- Processing
  - Thermoplastic, curable polymers
  - Viscosity, reactivity
- Hazards
  - Explosion hazard
    - In case of a gas generator hybrid
  - Fire hazard
  - Health hazards
    - Toxicity, carcinogenity (mostly of the curative)



double-planetary mixer for fuel mixing

# Desirable fuel properties

- High density
- Stability and storability
- High regression rate
  - Also sensitivity to Gox, P, etc.
- Good mechanical properties
- Hypergolic ignition (if desired)



Hydroxyl terminated polybutadiene



Hybrid rocket motor firing

## Oxidizer overview (AIAA-92-3592)

Properties of Common Hybrid Oxidizers					
Oxidizer	Normal Boiling Point (°F)	Normal Operat- ing Temperature (°F)	Density at Operating Point (lbm/ft3)	Heat of Formation <sup>a</sup> (cal/mole)	
LO <sub>2</sub>	-297	-297	71.0	-2,896	
N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	70	70	90.5	-4,676	
IRFNA <sup>b</sup>	148	70	102	-43,400	
WFNA <sup>c</sup>	181	70	93.6	-41,404	
85% H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	302	70	86.1	-50,642	
N <sub>2</sub> O	-128	70	49.0	19,608 🛹	
LF <sub>2</sub>	-307	-307	93.6	-3,056	
FLOX	-307	-307	77.1	-3,024	
LNF <sub>3</sub>	-201	-201	96.7	-31,700	

a. At Normal Operating Conditions

b. Contains 55% HNO3, 44%N2O4, 0.5% H2O, 0.7% HF

c. Contains 96.8 HNO3, 0.5% NO2, 2% H2O

## Oxidizer handling and storage (AIAA-92-3592)

Oxidizer	Thermal Stability	Handling Hazard	Storability	Materials Compatibility
LO <sub>2</sub>	Good	Good	Cryogenic	Al., stainless steel, nickel alloys, copper, Teflon, Kel-F
N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	Decomp above 70°F	Very toxic, haz- ardous skin con- tact	Good, should be kept anhy- drous	Al., stainless steel, nickel alloy, Teflon
IRFNA	Good	Very toxic, haz- ardous skin con- tact	Corrosive	Al., stainless steel, Teflon, Kel-F, polyethylene
HNO <sub>3</sub>	Good	Toxic, hazardous skin contact	Corrosive	Al., stainless steel, Teflon, Kel-F, polyethylene
85% H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	Decomp above 285°F	Hazardous skin contact	Deteriorate s @ 1% /yr	Al., stainless steel, Teflon, Kel-F, polyethylene
N <sub>2</sub> O	Decomp above 400°F	Good	Good	Al., stainless steel, Teflon, Kel-F, polyethylene
LF <sub>2</sub>	Good	Toxic, reactive with many metals	Cryogenic	Aluminum, stainless steel, nickel alloys, brass
FLOX	Good	Toxic, less reac- tive	Cryogenic	Aluminum, stainless steel, nickel alloys, brass
LNF <sub>3</sub>	Good	Toxic	Cryogenic	Aluminum, stainless steel, nickel alloys, brass

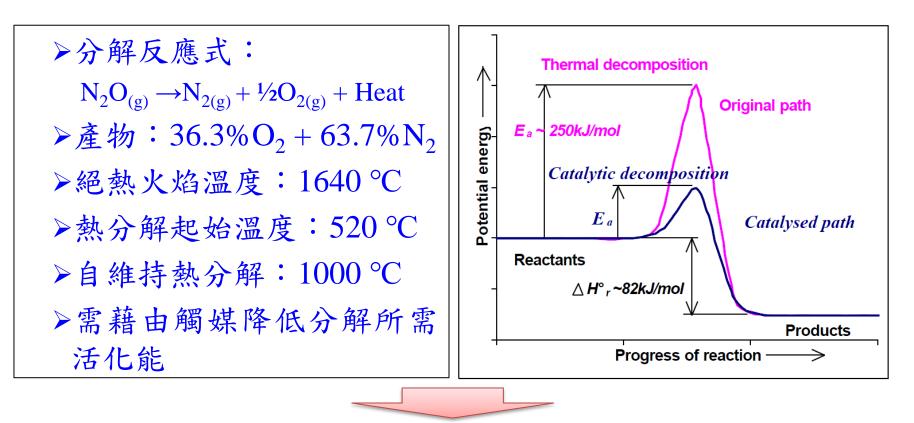
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## Propellant cost (AIAA-92-3592)

Fuel	Oxidizer	Average Propellant Cost (\$/lb) <sup>a</sup>	Facility Costs	Oxidizer Storage and Feed System	Operations
HTPB	LO <sub>2</sub>	0.47	Low	Low	Low -
	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	3.08	Low	Medium	Medium
	N <sub>2</sub> O	0.74	Low	Low	Low
HTPB/20% A1	LO <sub>2</sub>	0.55	High	Low	Low
	N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	2.84	High	Medium	Medium
	N <sub>2</sub> O	0.76	High	Low	Low
HTPB/40%Li/ 15%LiH	FLOx	3.26	Medium	High	High

a. Based on the O/F ratios of Table 4

## 氧化亞氮分解反應特性





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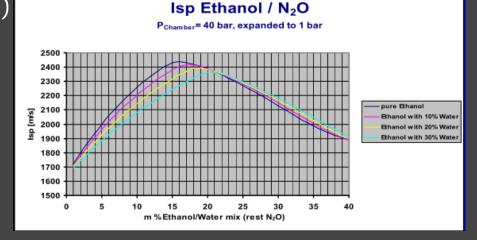
#### Handling Considerations of Nitrous Oxide in Hybrid Rocket Motor Testing

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### Is nitrous oxide safe?

- Good availability (Car-Tuning, Gas-vendors)
- Self pressurizing (Vapor pressure at 20°C is ~50.1 bar)
- Nontoxic, low reactivity rel. safe handling (General safe ???)
- Additional energy from decomposition (as a monopropellant: ISP of 170 s)
- Specific impulse doesn't change much with O/F



- Unnecessary high pressures. Only storable in high pressure bottles or under sub cooled conditions. Draining and reuse normally not applicable: Wasted propellant
- Low density (Liquid phase: 750 kg/m 3 at 20°C), lousy density-ISP
- Expensive ( >20x as much as LOX)
- Strong dependency of pressure from temperature (At a hot day is can even be supercritical)
- N2O is a strong greenhouse gas
- Mass flow difficult to measure (2-phase flow)
- Rel. high mass fraction in the residual gas phase (after depleting the liquid) which is often of low usefulness
- N2O is a monopropellant (as H2O2 or Hydrazine. Risk of runaway reaction)
- Saturated fluid (small pressure- and temperature changes → boiling → cavitation → imploding bubbles)



## Incidents

#### Explosion at Scaled Composites (Constructor of the Spaceship 1 & 2)

- 3 persons killed
- Cold flow test of the injector of a hybrid motor (no grain was installed, no combustion test!)
- Heavy burns of the casualties (→ decomposed N<sub>2</sub>O, so injuries not only from stored pressure energy in the vessel)
- Irigger still unknown (Oct. 07). Guess: water hammering caused by cavitation combined with organic contamination (So-called "Dieseling")



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## Incidents 2

#### Explosion N<sub>2</sub>O of a tank truck in Eindhoven NL [1]

- Tank truck with 7.5 metric tons of sub cooled N<sub>2</sub>O (rel. low pressure)
- Result of the investigation: A not pre cooled centrifugal pump was running hot and started decomposition of the nitrous oxide.  $N_2O$  at > 5.7 bar and a present ignition source can start a runaway reaction [2]. Flashback into the tank.



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## Incidents 3

#### Explosion of a N<sub>2</sub>O hybrid motor (Flashback) [3]

- To low ∆p over the injector → Combustion instabilities → pushing back combustion gases into the nitrous tank.
- Following decomposition of the nitrous oxide
- Movie (Thanks to Troy Prideaux)





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## Incidents 4

Explosion N<sub>2</sub>O/alcohol engine (Flashback) [4]

Design flaw of the Injector caused a contamination of the  $N_2O$  channels with alcohol. "Water hammering" in the  $N_2O$  ignited the mixture and destroyed injector and valves.

Movie (Tanks to Henrik Schulz from DARK)



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## Potential risks

 N<sub>2</sub>O is normally used under saturated condition: 2-phase flow with high potential of water hammering → adiabatic compression of cavitation bubbles → "Dieseling" specially when contaminated with fuel and at combustible surfaces like seals, filling hoses, carbon fiber tanks etc.)



Imploding vapor bubble with jet (up to 100000 bar at the ground of the jet and temperatures of several thousand K !)

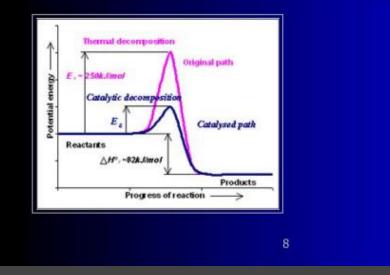
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0,1	1,3	610
0,05	7,2	990
0,01	405	3140
0,005	2290	5160



#### Potential risks 2

#### N<sub>2</sub>O is a monopropellant (as H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> or Hydrazine)!

- Under certain conditions more energy is produced by the decomposition than necessary to reach the decomposition temperature → run away reaction!
   N<sub>2</sub>O(g) → N<sub>2</sub>(g) + ½O<sub>2</sub>(g) + 82 kJ/mol
- Particularly the vapor phase can lead to a deflagration or even a detonation at pressures > 5.7 bar if a contamination of fuel is present
- Catalysts can lower the critical temperature to 250 °C (E.g. copper and its oxides)



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### Potential risks 2

- Very good solubility in oil, grease and other hydrocarbons like plastics etc. (That's why it works so well for whipped cream). Also solid plastics like HTPB or fiber reinforced plastics can be saturated when exposed to nitrous oxide for a long period and can then transform to a high explosive.
- According to several sources, electro static discharge during injection into a combustion chamber can occur. Combined with the point above this can lead to an unexpected disassembling of the engine.
- Freezing of valves and venting orifices.
- Unknown Voodoo [5]:

#### d. Anomalies

One disturbing observation during the gaseous test program was the rather frequent (about 10 percent of the tests) occurrence of unexplained events in two categories, spontaneous ignitions and spontaneous temperature rises. In the first category, sudden temperature and pressure spikes were sometimes observed while  $N_2O$  was being vented from the pipe. These anomalies generally occurred at low-pressure conditions where steady-state decomposition cannot be sustained. The other category consisted of unusual increases in pipe wal' temperatures (by 20 to  $50^{\circ}$ F) during filling operations without any sudden pressure rise or other indication of a decomposition reaction. Both of these anomalies remain unexplained.

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#### Suggestions

- $\Delta p$  over injector > 10 bar. A screaming hybrid is a sign for combustion instabilities and therefore for a too low  $\Delta p$ .
- Only use the liquid phase
- For hybrids: Do not expose the grain to nitrous oxide for a long period (no saturation of the grain). Venting and dumping not through the combustion chamber
- Electr. ground tanks etc.
- NO combustibles materials for seals, hoses (also filling hose) and tanks (e.g. Fiber reinforced ones without metallic liner). Metals (INOX, Alu), PTFE, PCTFE or some Silicones are ok. Viton, FKM, FPM are chemical compatible but are swelling significantly when exposed to N<sub>2</sub>O. Avoid copper alloys. Only use compatible lubricants like CRYTOX. Ask your supplier for chemical and physical compatibility with N<sub>2</sub>O!
- Use some kind of deflagration trap (E.g. a big sintered metallic filter) in the feeding lines, burst disks at the tank. Hydro testing the tanks > 100-150 bar.
- Density of N<sub>2</sub>O change significantly with temperature. Do not fill the tank completely: 13-15% ullage for a possible temperature increase from 15°C to 25°C [6],[7]



#### Suggestions

- Remote operated filling and draining. Electrical ground the tanks and filling lines
- Attention after unsuccessful ignition. With N<sub>2</sub>O saturated grain or other fuel can be explosive.
- To avoid bubbles and therefore cavitation: Use sub cooled N<sub>2</sub>O and pressurize it with N<sub>2</sub> or Helium.
- Use LOX ;-)



 Let me know if you have other suggestions or you think I am paranoid: bruno.berger@spl.ch

#### The Handling and Properties of Nitrous Oxide

- 1. Health Effects from Inhalation of Nitrous Oxide
- 2. Reactivity
  - *a. It is generally stable in both liquid and gaseous forms at lower temperatures and pressures.*
  - *b. Nitrous oxide lines and tanks must be cleaned to insure that no fuels or catalysts are present*
  - c. Nitrous oxide can form explosive mixtures with many common hydrocarbons used as oils and lubricants as well as other fuels.
  - *d.* At temperatures exceeding 1200°F (650°C) nitrous oxide can begin to rapidly exothermically decompose at pressures as low as 1 atmosphere without any contamination. = < Thermal runaway!!
  - *e. At pressures above 200psi, and ambient temperatures, it is possible to start a self sustaining reaction in a tank or large diameter pipe with an ignition source.*
  - *f.* Nitrous Oxide is safest when stored in its pure liquid form at low temperatures and pressures.
- 3. Common Ignition Source

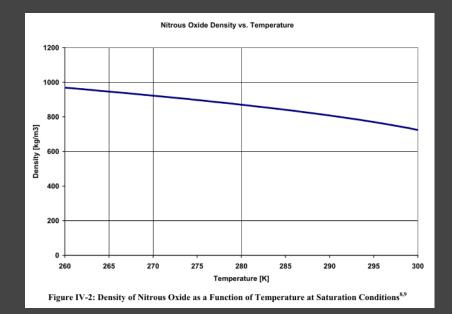
Design of Nitrous Oxide Systems for Hybrid Rocket Systems

#### A. Material Compatibility

- 1. 304 or 316 stainless steel is preferred.
- 2. Materials such as copper, nickel, platinum, and other common catalysts are avoided because of possible catalytic effects at higher temperatures and pressures.
- *3. The materials that are compatible with liquid oxygen can be used in nitrous oxide service. However, Checking all materials, such as o-rings, valve seats, etc for nitrous oxide compatibility prior to installation in nitrous oxide service is suggested.*
- B. Electrical Conductivity of Nitrous
- C. Rust Contamination Issues
- D. Pumping of Nitrous Oxide

#### E. Pressurization of Nitrous Oxide Tanks

- *1. The maximum pressurization ramp rate of 20psi per second is limited.*
- F. Warming of Nitrous oxide



#### Preparation of Components for Nitrous Oxide Service

#### A. Cleaning and Handling of Parts

- 1. Pre-cleaning
- 2. Deep cleaning
- 3. De-ionized water rinse
- 4. Dry with nitrogen
- B. Inspection of Cleaned Parts
  - 1. Visual
  - 2. Wipe
  - 3. UV Lamp
- C. Installation or Storage of Cleaned Parts

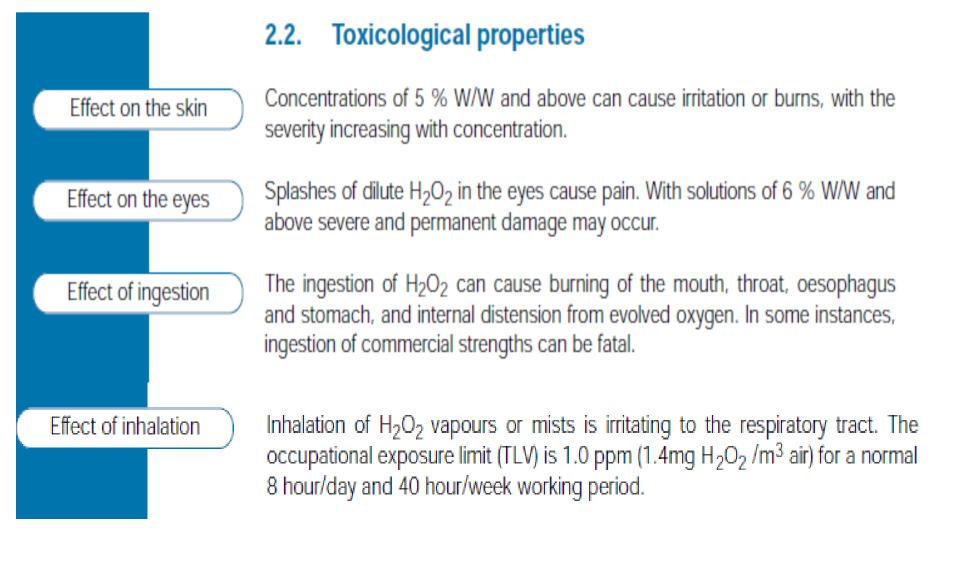
# 過氧化氫(hydrogen peroxide)特性

■ 過氧化氫具有高氧化性

■ 可經觸媒分解成水加氧氣並放處出大量的熱

 $H_2O_2 \to H_2O + \frac{1}{2}O_2 \dots -\Delta H = 2884KJ / kmole$ 

H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> content %	Adiabatic decomposition temp. <sup>o</sup> C	% Evaporation of water	
50	100	65.5	
70	233	100	
80	487	100	
85	613	100	
90	740	100	
95	867	100	
100	996	100	



### **Decomposition properties**

Effect of pH	In alkaline solution, the rate of decomposition increases rapidly as the pH is increased.
	Hydrogen peroxide and alkali must never be inadvertently mixed.
Effect of light	Light can cause photochemical decomposition of hydrogen peroxide. The absorption of radiation by hydrogen peroxide solutions occurs over a wide continuous spectrum. Hydrogen peroxide solutions should not therefore be exposed for long periods to light, especially direct unfiltered sunlight.
Effect of heat	Apart from self-heating as a result of decomposition, consideration must be given to the effect of temperature rises caused by outside sources of heat. For purely physico-chemical reasons, the rate of the decomposition reaction in solution (homogeneous) will increase 2 to 3 times for every 10°C increase in temperature, and the rate of the surface decomposition (heterogeneous) will increase 1 to 2 times per 10°C. The effect of increased contamination from dissolution of the surface can of course make the situation worse.

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### **Decomposition properties**

Fast decomposition may also occur if the hydrogen peroxide is brought into contact with insoluble solids. This is known as heterogeneous decomposition. Hydrogen peroxide will decompose to some extent on any surface even at ambient temperature, although the rate varies enormously with the nature and state of the surface. Thus, the rate of decomposition on silver is 10<sup>7</sup> times faster than that, for example, on polyethylene, which is one of the common handling materials. Some of the solids which catalyse the decomposition of hydrogen peroxide are the hydroxides and oxides of the heavy metals, as well as the noble metals themselves. The following is a list of the most active catalysts :

Ruthenium oxide	RuO <sub>4</sub>	Platinum	Pt
Manganese oxides	Mn <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> , MnO <sub>2</sub>	Osmium	Os
Iron oxides	FeO, Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Iridium	Ir
Cobalt oxide	CoO	Palladium	Pd
Nickel oxides	NiO, Ni <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Rhodium	Rh
Lead oxide and hydroxide	PbO, Pb(OH) <sub>2</sub>	Silver	Ag
Mercuric oxide	HgO	Gold	Au

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Heterogeneous

decomposition

### 高濃度過氧化氫安全事項

操作人員需穿著塑膠防護衣、眼罩,並需在通 風良好處避免吸入過氧化氫蒸汽。

- 小型儲存可使用玻璃、PE、鋁、不銹鋼、鐵氟 龍容器;大型儲存大多使用鋁合金,並加入穩 定劑以減緩過氧化氫分解,且容器需加裝洩壓 閥。
- 容器及管路需乾淨,可使用低濃度過氧化氫或 稀硝酸清洗。

## 過氧化氫之純化----蒸餾法

#### 原理:

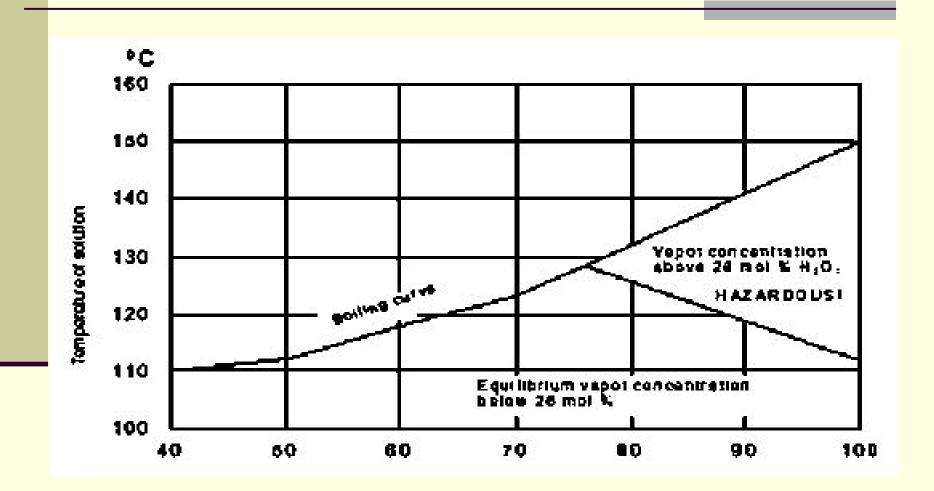
- 過氧化氫沸點大於水,加熱過氧化氫溶液則可將
  雙氧水中之水份蒸發,提高過氧化氫濃度。
- 優點:
  - 效率高
  - 操作容易

缺點:

過氧化氫受熱分解
 蒸汽爆炸



### 雙氧水濃度、沸點及爆炸區域對應圖

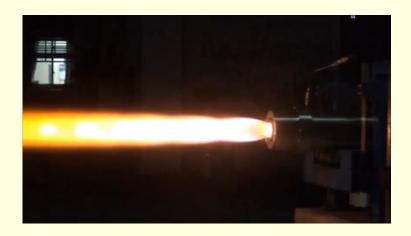


雙氧水純化設備

旋轉濃縮機
 恆温水槽
 真空泵
 壓力控制器



## Incidents-High Test Peroxide





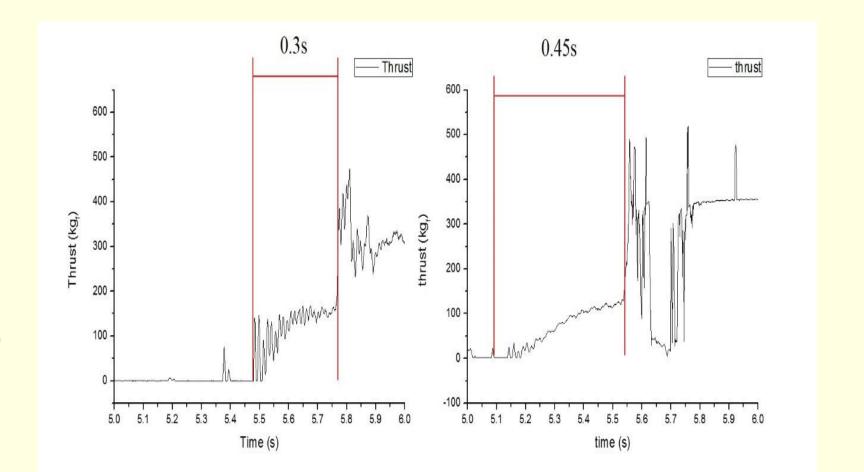
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#### 發動機法蘭



## Incidents-High Test Peroxide



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