Research on Hypersonic Transport Aircraft and Hypersonic Pre-Cooled Turbojet Engine





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JAXA Hypersonic Transport Aircraft

- Maximum Speed: Mach 5, High Speed Intercontinental Transport
- Take-off and landing using normal airports. Tokyo-Roma: 3 hours
- Business model can be established assuming existing first class passengers will shift to HST.
- Potential use as the 1st stage of Two-Stages To Orbit Space Plane.









Objectives of Hypersonic Flight

- 1. Realize sub-orbital plane using hypersonic technologies and support the space tourism activities by private companies.
- 2. Realize hypersonic transport aircraft, which can reach Roma in 3 hours in order to enhance international trade and cultural exchange.



Sub Orbital Space Plane





Hypersonic Transport Aircraft

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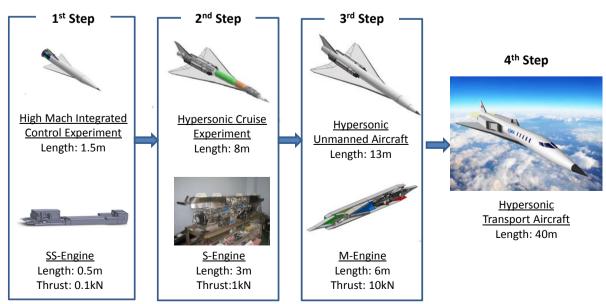
R&D Plan of Hypersonic Flight Technologies

1st Step: High Mach Integrated Control Experiment -> Airframe / Propulsion Integrated Control Method

2nd Step: Hypersonic Cruise Experiment -> Cruise flight with Pre-Cooled Turbojet

3rd Step: Hypersonic Unmanned Aircraft -> Autonomous Flight Demonstration/ Earth Observation

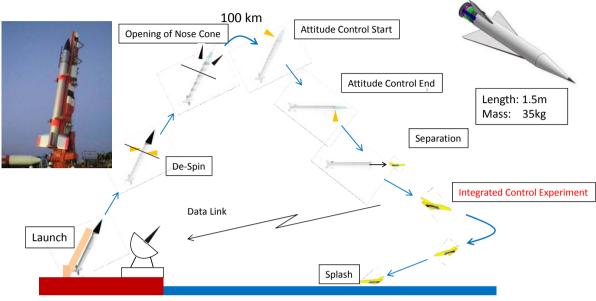
4th Step: Hypersonic Transport Aircraft -> Intercontinental High Speed Transport





1st Step: High Mach Integrated Control Experiment

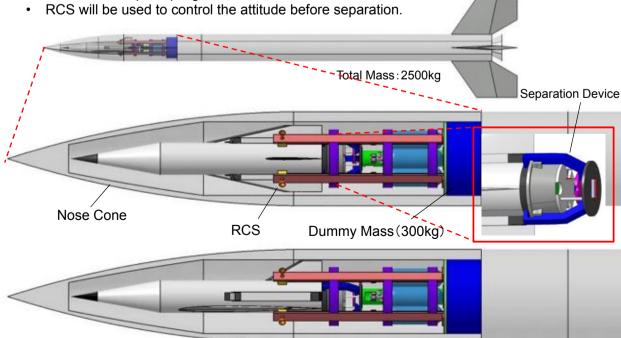
- Flight experiment to demonstrate the airframe / propulsion integrated control method.
- Flight test vehicle will be installed inside of nose cone of existing sounding rocket.
- Flight test vehicle will be separated at high altitude after attitude control.





Connection of HiMICo and S520 Sounding Rocket

- Wing span is determined by the inner diameter of S520 sounding rocket.
- Dummy mass will be mounted to decrease the maximum height of the trajectory in order to attain pull-up flight.



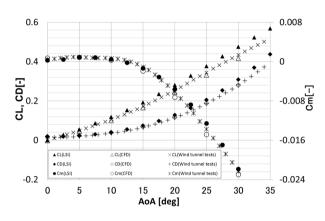
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Aerodynamic Performance of HiMICo

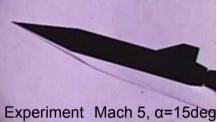
Experiment: JAXA 0.5m Hypersonic Wind Tunnel Analysis: Local Surface Inclination Method CFD (FaSTAR)

•Aerodynamic data has been obtained at AoA = 0 to 30deg considering reentry flight.



Aerodynamic Coefficients (Mach 5)





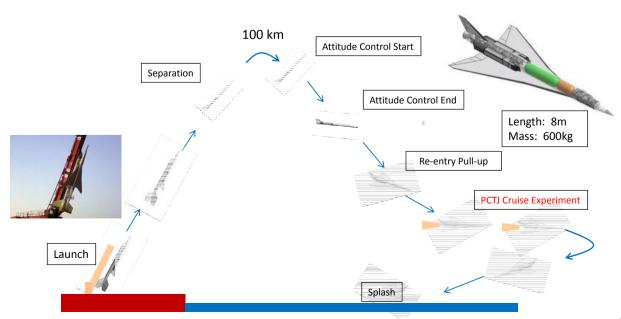


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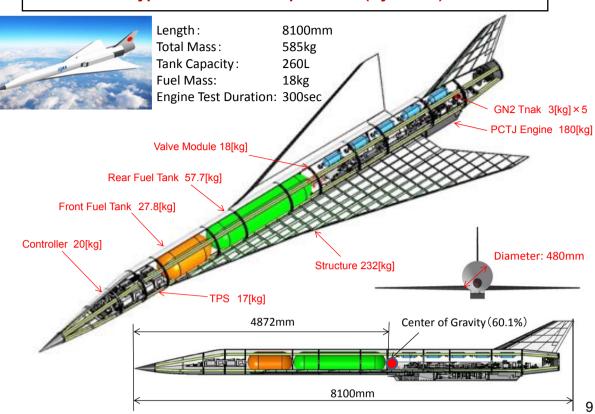
2nd Step: Hypersonic Cruise Experiment

- Flight demonstration of hypersonic pre-cooled turbojet engine.
- Flight test vehicle will be attached at the side of existing sounding rocket (NAL-735).
- Flight test vehicle will be separated at high altitude after the initial acceleration.



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Hypersonic Cruise Experiment (HyCruise)





R&D History of Hypersonic Turbojet Engine

FY2006



1st Firing Test

- Core Engine Operation
- Control and Measurement System

FY2007



2nd Firing Test

- Engine Starting Sequence
- After-Burner Operation

FY2008



3rd Firing Test

- Flight Experimental Setup
- 20 sec After Burner Operation

FY2009



4th Firing Test

Evaluation of Gravity Effect and Electro-Magnetic Interference

FY2010



Mach 2 Flight Experiment

- High Altitude Ignition
- Mach 2 Operation

FY2011



High Temperature Pre-Cooler Test

- High Temp. Structure
- Heat Exchange Rate

FY2012



5th Firing Test

- High Temp.Structure
- Mach 4 Operation

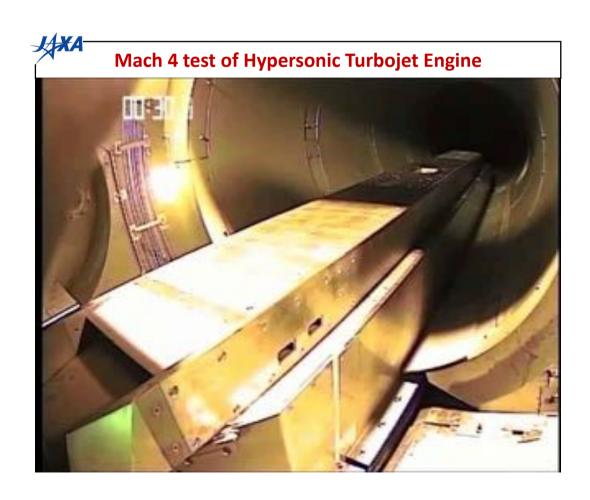
FY2013



6th Firing Test

- Starting Sequence
- Heat Structure of Variable Mechanism

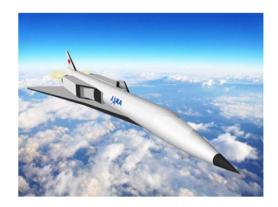


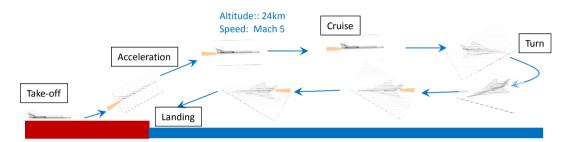




3rd Step: Hypersonic Unmanned Aircraft

- Autonomous acceleration flight from take-off to Mach 5 by the power of pre-cooled turbojet engine.
- Mach 5 cruising demonstration at the altitude of 24km.
- Utilization of the airplane to earth observation mission.

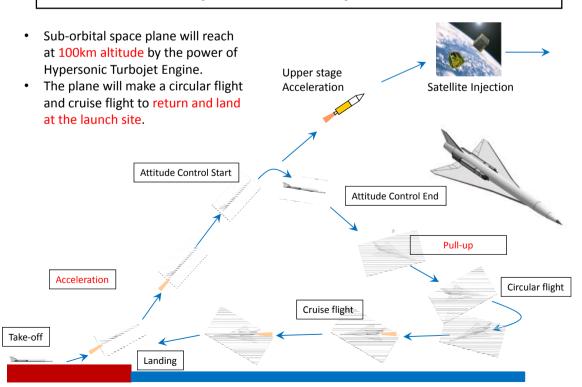


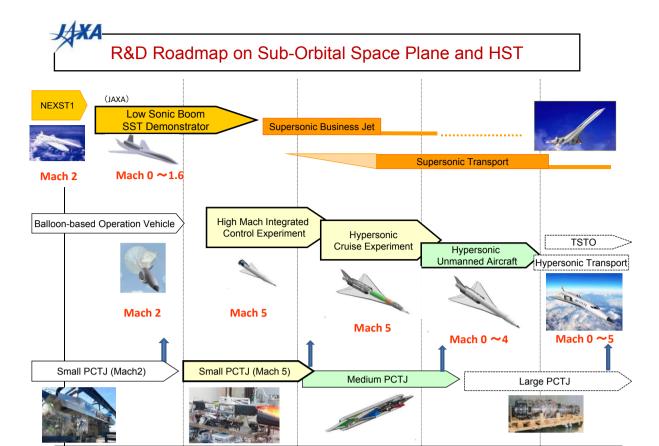


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3rd Step: Sub-Orbital Space Plane







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Flight experimental plan for hypersonic flight technologies are proposed.

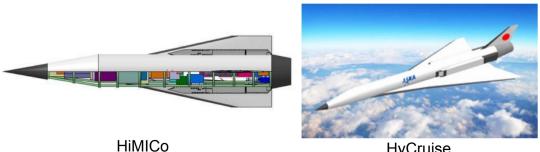
2015

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2010

2005

- 1. High Mach Integrated Control Experiment Aircraft (HiMICo) is planned in order to demonstrate the airframe / propulsion integrated control technology.
- 2. Flight trajectory of HiMICo is analyzed assuming existing sounding rocket as an accelerator.
- 3. Aerodynamic performance and propulsion performance of HiMICo are obtained by experiments and analyses.
- 4. Hypersonic Cruise Experimental Aircraft (HyCruise) is planned in order to demonstrate the cruising capability of pre-cooled turbojet engine (PCTJ).
- 5. Aerodynamic performance and structure mass of HyCruise was obtained by analyses.



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