SUPERSONIC FIGHTER WITH 2 - 30" DIAM, ENGINES

In the search for a method of obtaining a lighter version of the C 105, the use of engines of 30" diameter but developed to the same state as the larger engines specified in AIR 7 - 3 has been suggested.

This proposal has been investigated along the lines followed in the Design Study Report P/ClO5/1 for the engines specified in the R.C.A.F. Spec. AIR 7 - 3.

It has been assumed that an engine with a 30 in. overall envelope diameter has characteristics similar to the Rolls-Royce RB 106 engine, but with 2/3 of the thrust. Since the Rolls engine is regarded as exceptionally ambitious project from the point of view of thrust per unit frontal area, it is felt that assuming that an engine can get 2/3 of the thrust with 51% of frontal area is very optimistic to say the least.

Since the flight conditions are much more severe, it was felt that weight of the engine could not be reduced substantially below the weight of the Orenda. The afterburner with convergent divergent nozzle and the attendant control system would undoubtably weigh somewhat more than the equivalent simple system for the Orenda. A total installed weight of 3,500 lb. for each engine has accordingly been assumed. While it is felt that this weight is realistic, it may be argued that savings could be made. It is however, exceedingly hard to believe that these could exceed 500 lb. at the outside. In view of the magnitude of the design problem of getting the thrust from an engine of this size, savings of this order are regarded with great skepticism. However, if they prove possible they are not sufficient to alter the overall picture materially.

An airframe similar to those studied in P/C 105/1 was tailored as closely as possible around the small engines. The weights and performances for three wing areas are given in tables I and II. From this, it appears that 1000 sq. ft. is about the best compromise.

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DISCUSSION

The following points emerge from an inspection of the data.

- 1. The margin of fuel capacity for contingencies is not adequate with a 3% t/c wing.
- If a thicker wing is used to lessen the risk of not meeting the range due to lack of fuel, then the risk of mot getting the full drag reduction due to camber is increased. Also the transonic stability and control characteristics will certainly be worse.
- The rocket armament must be placed in the missile doors. This increases their inertia to a point where it is impossible to close them on the lowering of the missiles as on the C 105 design. This will probably interfer with the trajectory.
- Because the cockpit size cannot be reduced, and the overall width must be reduced in proportion to the engine size, the width remaining for intakes is reduced by a greater proportion than the engine size. This causes the intake design to be unfavorable.
- 5. The reduction in weight over the C 105 is only about 15%, while the loss in manoeuvrability at M=1.5 and 50,000 ft. is 25%. These figures compare with a reduction of weight of 40% and a loss in manoeuvrability at M=1.5 and 50,000 ft. for a single engine airplane similar to the F 102 but put on a comparable basis.
- 6. Sufficient detail information on a 30 in. engine is not available to permit an airframe to be designed around it at this time. It is not believed that these data could be obtained in less than about 2 years. This would delay the airframe design by that amount.
- 7. If a 30 in. engine is projected there are no alternates in design elsewhere, should the program slip or fail to meet is objectives in an adequate way. The importance of this cannot be over emphasised when considering a project that must be more highly developed than the RB 106 in order not to result in an excessive drop in performance over the C 105.
- 8. There would be no proven engines of the requisite dimensions to power prototypes.



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C 105 at 48,400 lb. with RB 106 Engines.



