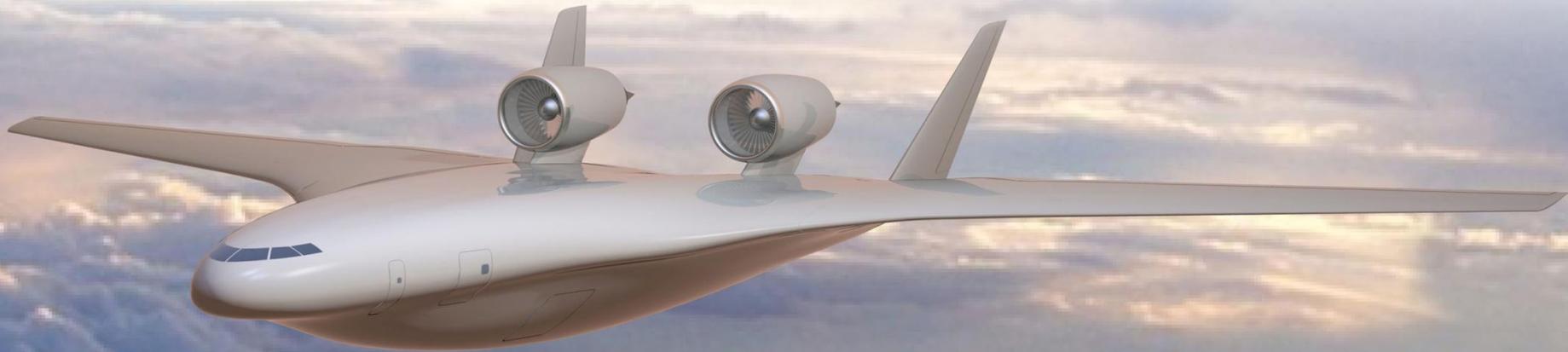




# The Promise And Challenges Of Ultra High Bypass Ratio Engine Technology and Integration

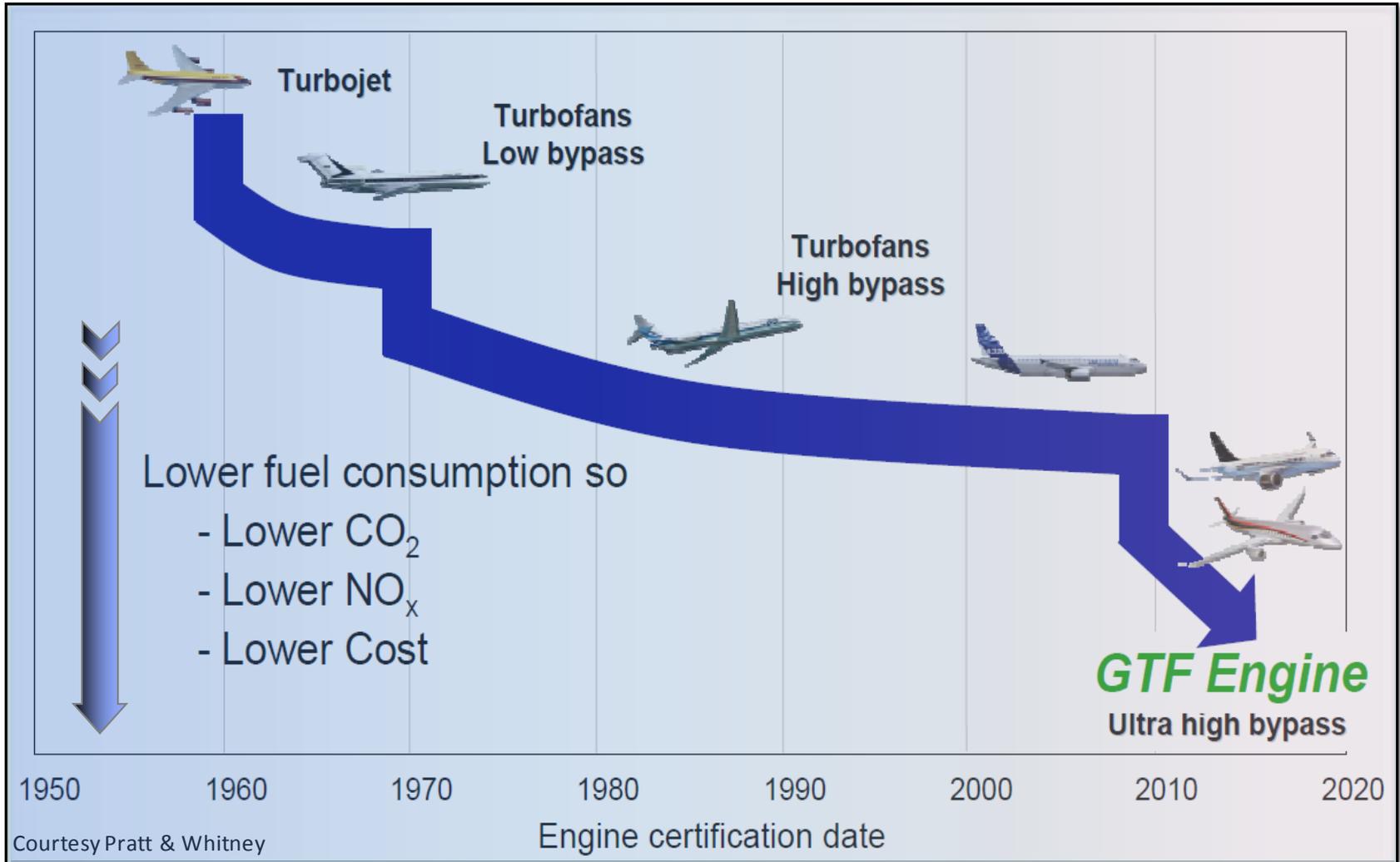
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# Geared Turbofan Technology Enables a Step-Change in Ultra High Bypass Propulsion



Courtesy Pratt & Whitney

# NASA's Subsonic Transport System Level Metrics



## Summarizing the potential technology payoff ...

.... Innovative technology for dramatically reducing noise, emissions and fuel burn

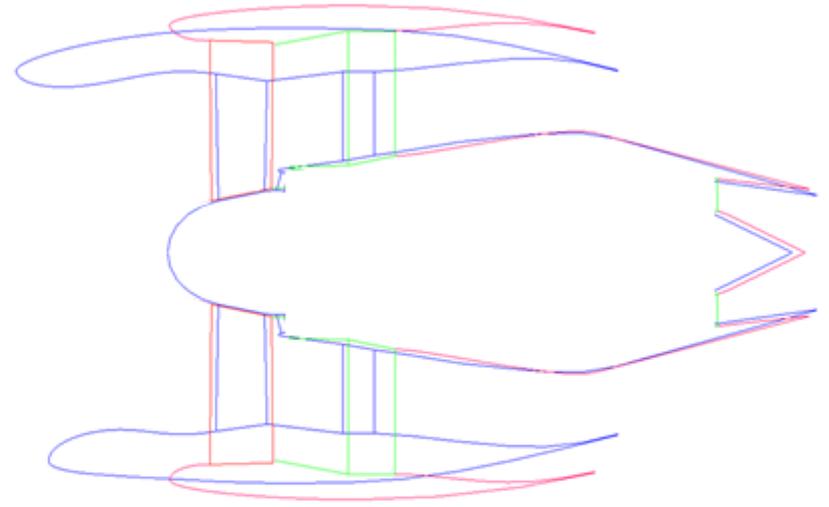
CORNERS OF THE TRADE SPACE	N+1 = 2015 <sup>***</sup> Technology Benefits Relative To a Single Aisle Reference Configuration	N+2 = 2020 <sup>***</sup> Technology Benefits Relative To a Large Twin Aisle Reference Configuration	N+3 = 2025 <sup>***</sup> Technology Benefits
Noise (cum below Stage 4)	-32 dB	-42 dB	-71 dB
LTO NO <sub>x</sub> Emissions (below CAEP 6)	-60%	-75%	better than -75%
Performance: Aircraft Fuel Burn	-33%	-50%**	better than -70%
Performance: Field Length	-33%	-50%	exploit metro-plex* concepts

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Technology Readiness Level for key technologies = 4-6. ERA will undertake a time phased approach, TRL 6 by 2015 for "long-pole" technologies

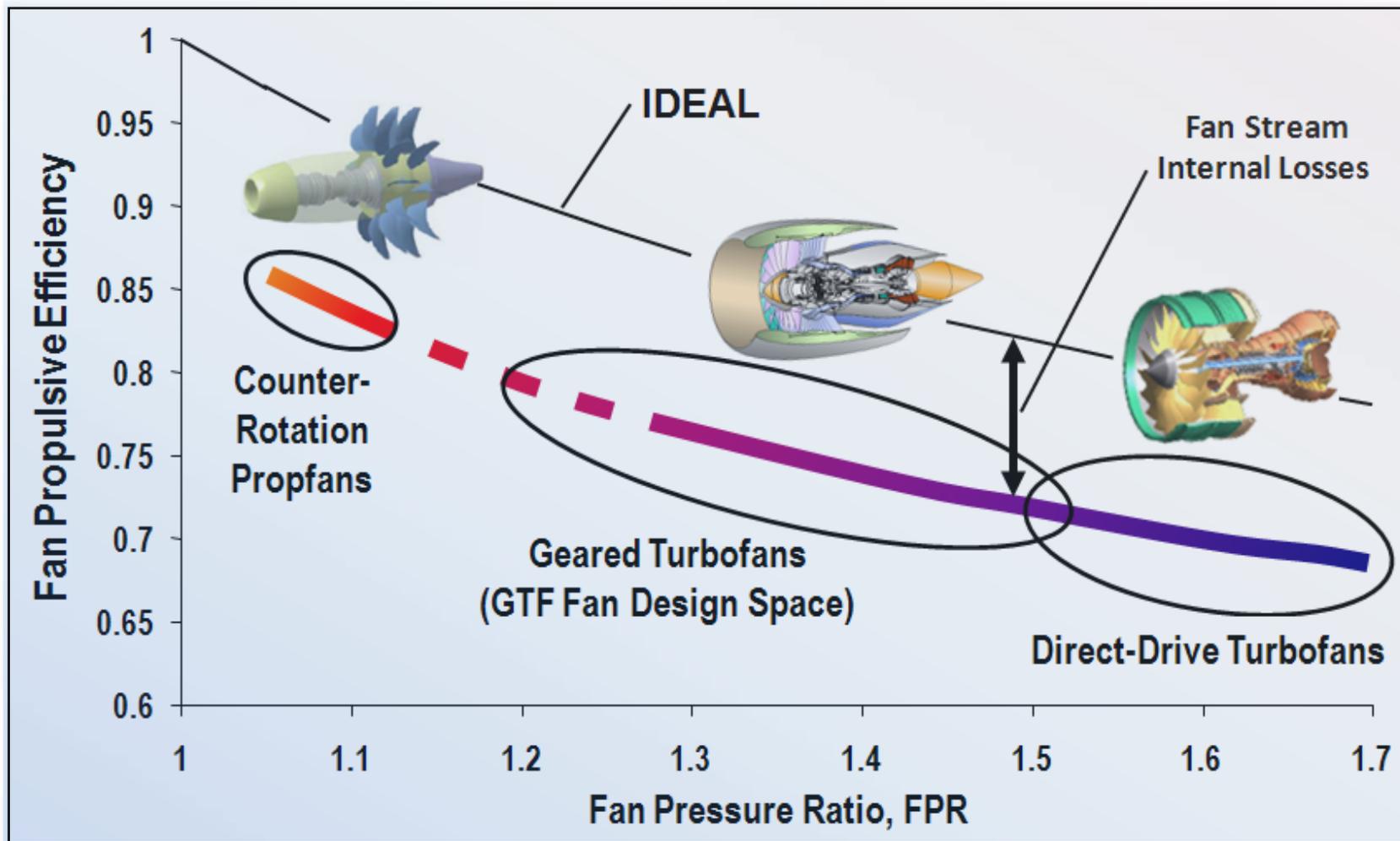
<sup>\*\*</sup> RECENTLY UPDATED. Additional gains may be possible through operational improvements

\* Concepts that enable optimal use of runways at multiple airports within the metropolitan area

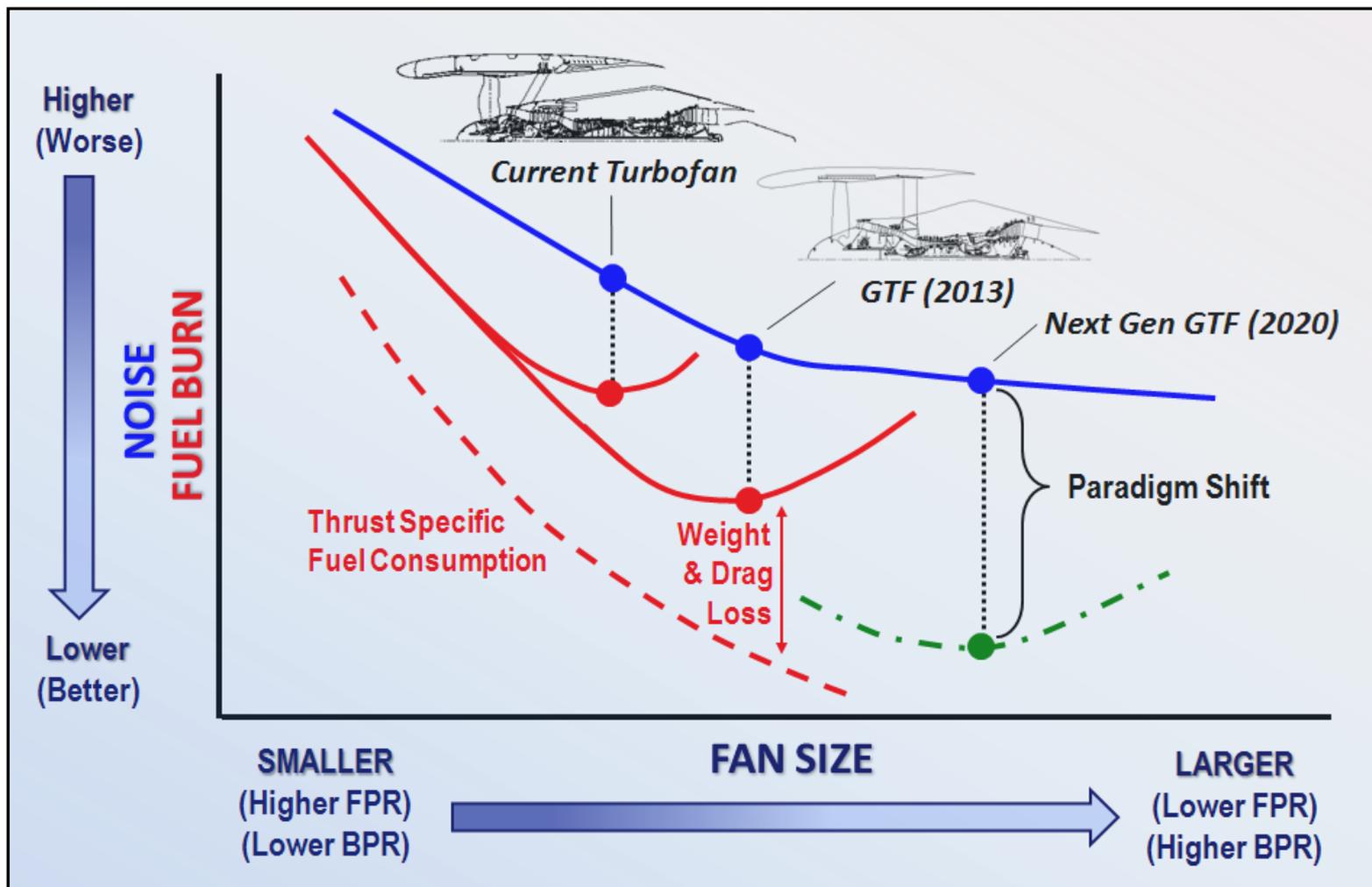
- **Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption** – Need Higher Propulsive Efficiency, Which is Achieved with Higher Bypass Ratio, Lower Fan Pressure Ratio
- **Weight** – Need:
  - Advanced, Lighter Materials
  - Advanced, Smaller Core Components and More Compact Designs
- **Nacelle Drag** – Need Thinner, Shorter Nacelles as Engine Bypass Ratio and Fan Diameter Grow
- **Installation** – Need Special Designs to Integrate Bigger Engines and Minimize Impact on Aircraft Performance



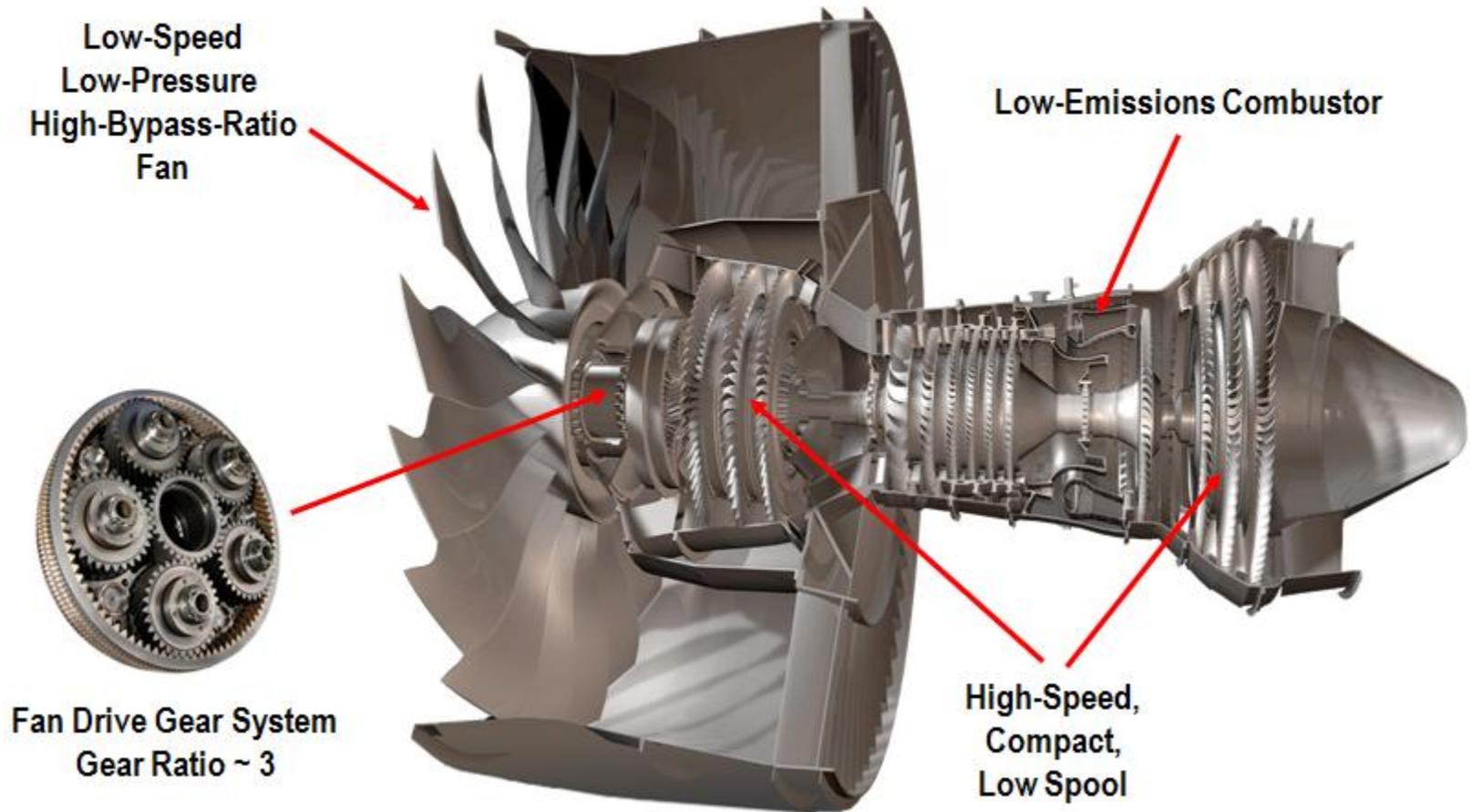
# Propulsive Efficiency Trend with Fan Pressure Ratio



# Geared Turbofan Technology Enables Paradigm Shifts



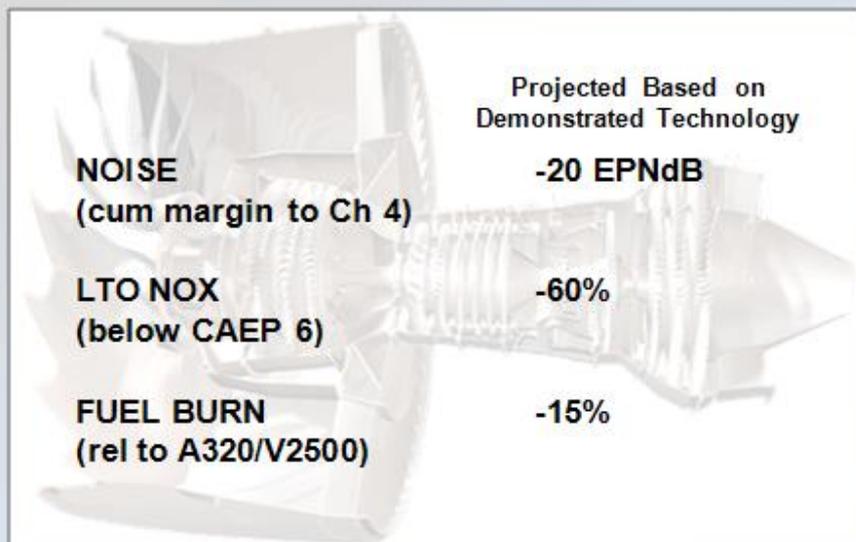
## ➤ Collaborative Research Technology Areas



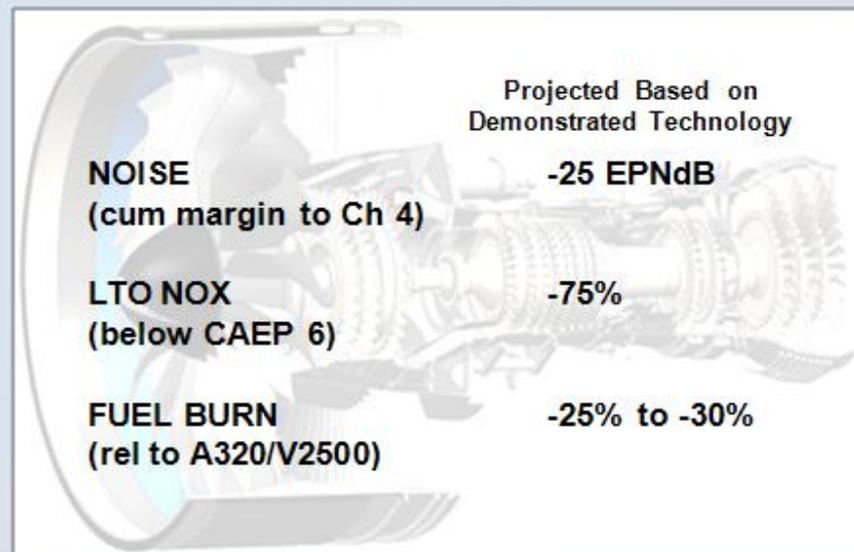
# GTF Emissions Reduction Goals



## Gen 1 (2013 EIS)



## Gen 2 (2020 to 2025 EIS)



# Ultra High Bypass Technology Development Roadmap



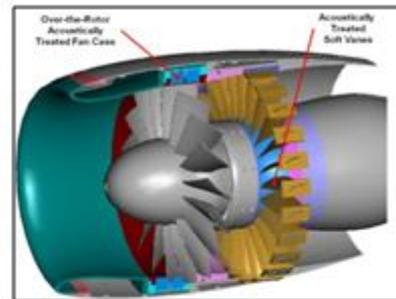
GTF Gen 1 Engine  
Ground Test Demo



22" GTF NG Tech Dev  
Aero/Acoustic Test  
GRC 9'x15' WT



22" UHB Advanced OTR / SV  
Aero/Acoustic Test  
GRC 9'x15' WT



FAA/NASA/P&W  
CLEEN Engine Demo



2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

2014

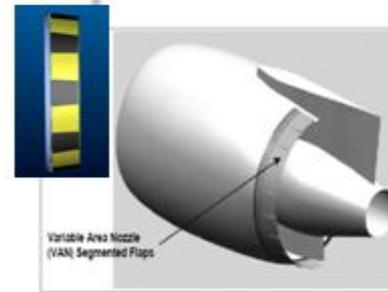
2015



GTF Gen 1 Engine  
Flight Test Demo



UHB BPR=18  
11% Semi-Span  
Nacelle/Wing Installation Test  
ARC 11' WT



22" UHB Shaped Memory Alloy  
Variable Area Nozzle  
Development Test  
GRC 9'x15' WT



UHB Technology  
Engine Demo



- ***Ultra High Bypass Technology has the potential for significant reductions in fuel burn, noise and emissions***
- ***Geared Turbofan Technology can enable these benefits by optimizing fan and core operation and allowing a reasonable engine and core size***
- ***The first generation Geared Turbofan was successfully demonstrated under NASA/P&W partnership. Significant contribution toward ERA N+1 Goals was achieved.***
- ***A second generation technology to further improve performance to meet ERA N+2 Goals is being planned collaboratively by NASA/P&W. GTF NG technology ground test engine demonstrations are planned as part FAA/NASA/P&W CLEEN partnership in 2014 and possibly 2015***
- ***Future long range plans (to 2020) are looking for opportunities to collaboratively conduct engine and flight demonstrations to validate both ERA UHB and P&W GTF NG technologies***