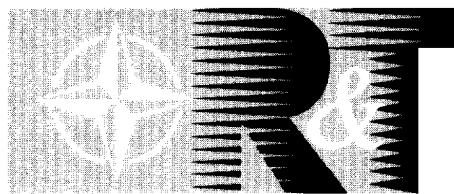


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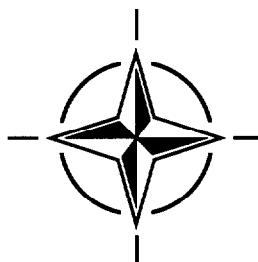
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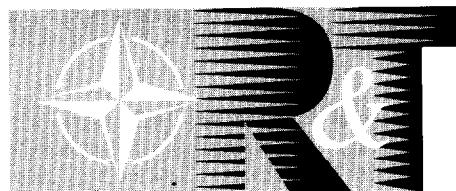
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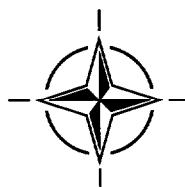
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Design Principles and Methods for Aircraft Gas Turbine Engines

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Executive Summary

After more than half a century of operational use of gas turbine engines to power military aircraft, this symposium sets the focus on highlights of today's achievements in research and development of aircraft engine technology.

Future military aircraft will require significant performance gains from the propulsion system to provide enhanced operational flexibility, longer range, better fuel efficiency and improved affordability.

Gas turbine engines combine disciplines from all major engineering sciences in a most interdependent way. The energy concentration in engine components is permanently increasing. Aerodynamic loads, materials, cooling techniques, structural components, mechanical systems, combustors, augmentors and nozzles are equally designed to the limit of know-how. Sophisticated methods and design tools are used, relying on electronic control and monitoring systems, which safely operate engines close to their boundaries of flow stability and their mechanical integrity, at the same time pushing further the useable life span and reducing life cycle cost (LCC). The symposium addressed gas turbine design aspects for all classes of engines, including turbofan/turbojet, turboprops/turboshaft and turboramjet engines for tactical, transport, helicopter and expendable aircraft applications. The results will permit the military user to better understand the limit and options of any gas turbine engine in performance and use. They will also allow the industries of the NATO countries to better meet the design goals and other requirements set by the military customer thus improving NATO's defense and peace keeping capability while respecting today's budget constraints.

Les principes et méthodes de conception des turbomoteurs

(RTO MP-8)

Synthèse

Après plus d'un demi-siècle d'exploitation opérationnelle des turbomoteurs pour la propulsion d'avions militaires, ce symposium met en lumière les principales avancées réalisées dans le domaine de la recherche et du développement des technologies des moteurs d'avion.

Les propulseurs des avions militaires du futur devront assurer des gains de performances sensibles afin de permettre une plus grande souplesse opérationnelle, une autonomie plus grande, un meilleur rendement du carburant et un coût d'acquisition plus acceptable.

La technologie des turbomoteurs couvre des disciplines représentatives de l'ensemble des sciences de l'ingénieur, qui sont fortement imbriquées. La concentration des efforts sur les organes moteur ne cesse de s'accroître. Aussi, le calcul des charges aérodynamiques, des matériaux, des techniques de refroidissement, des éléments structuraux, des systèmes mécaniques, des chambres de combustion, des augmentateurs de poussée et des tuyères touche, aujourd'hui, aux limites des connaissances techniques. Il est fait appel à des méthodes et des outils de conception sophistiqués, qui sont tributaires de systèmes électroniques de contrôle et de surveillance. Ces systèmes permettent d'exploiter les moteurs dans des conditions proches des limites de stabilité de la veine et de l'intégrité mécanique, en toute sécurité, tout en prolongeant leur durée de vie et en diminuant leur coût global de possession (LCC). Le symposium a examiné les différents aspects de la conception des turbomoteurs pour toutes catégories de propulseur, y compris les réacteurs à double flux/turboréacteurs, les turbopropulseurs/turbomoteurs et les turbo-statoréacteurs pour des applications tactiques, de transport, hélicoptère et avions non-réutilisables. Les conclusions du symposium permettront à l'utilisateur militaire de mieux comprendre les limites de performance et les options offertes par tout turbomoteur. Elles permettront également aux industriels des pays membres de l'OTAN de mieux répondre aux objectifs de conception et aux autres exigences annoncées par le client militaire, afin d'améliorer les capacités de défense et de maintien de la paix de l'OTAN, tout en respectant les contraintes budgétaires actuelles.

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Theme

Future aircraft will require significant performance gains from the propulsion system to provide enhanced operational flexibility, longer range, better fuel efficiency and improved affordability. Gas turbine engines will be required to provide excellent performance and durability with minimum weight over a wide range of operating conditions. Improvements in aerodynamics, cooling technology, materials, structures and mechanical systems will offer the prospect of significantly improved performance and mechanical integrity within affordability constraints. Full progress can only be realized by the incorporation of advanced systems and component design methods utilising sophisticated mathematical models of flows, thermal behaviour, stresses, vibration, etc. This symposium will address gas turbine design aspects for all classes of engines, including turbofan/turbojet, turboprops/turboshaft and turboramjet engines for tactical, transport, helicopter and expendable aircraft applications.

Thème

Les propulseurs des avions futurs devront réaliser des gains en performances considérables afin de permettre une meilleure souplesse opérationnelle, une plus grande autonomie, une diminution de la consommation spécifique et un coût d'acquisition plus acceptable. Les turbomoteurs devront fournir d'excellentes performances et faire preuve de durabilité pour une masse minimale dans un large éventail de conditions opérationnelles. Des améliorations dans le domaine de l'aérodynamique, des technologies de refroidissement, des matériaux, des structures et des systèmes mécaniques, offrent des perspectives d'amélioration considérables au niveau des performances et des caractéristiques d'intégrité mécanique, tout en permettant de respecter les contraintes budgétaires imposées. Cependant, aucun progrès véritable ne pourra être réalisé sans l'incorporation de systèmes avancés et de méthodes de conception de composants faisant appel à des modèles mathématiques sophistiqués d'écoulements, de comportements thermiques, de contraintes, de vibrations etc. Ce symposium examinera les différents aspects de la conception des turbomoteurs pour toutes les catégories de moteurs, y compris les turboréacteurs/réacteurs à double flux, les turbopropulseurs/turbomoteurs et les turbo-statoréacteurs, pour applications tactiques, ainsi que pour les avions de transport, hélicoptères et aéronefs non réutilisables.

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