Advanced Noise Control Fan Test Rig and Trade Study Summary

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Objective: Determined drive mechanism and site location. Investigate design concept options and “narrow” alternatives.

(I) Background
   (rationale / current facilities / current fans)
(I) Summary of Preliminary Feasibility Study
   (drive concepts / facility requirements)
(II) Recommendation
Background

(rationale / current facilities / current fans)
Rationale

BACKGROUND:

• Since 1995 the Advanced Noise Control Fan (ANCF) has significantly contributed to the advancement of the understanding of the physics of fan **tonal** noise generation.

• The 9’x15’ WT has successfully tested multiple high speed fan designs over the last several decades.

• This advanced several tone noise reduction concepts to higher TRL and the validation of fan tone noise prediction codes.
Rationale

CONCERN:

• Low Speed/ Loading/ Pressure nature of ANCF not representative of 9x15 WT / full scale models in the physics of fan broadband noise generation.

• As a result of ever-quieter fan designs below the background noise levels of 9x15 WT.

• High cost of running of 9x15 WT limits testing to single point designs preventing the parametric investigations required for detailed understanding of the physics necessary for successful technology development.
Rationale

NEED:

A new Fan Test Rig to bridge from TRL 3 to 5 enabling the successful completion of NASA/Industry noise reduction program goals.
Current GRC Facilities

Capabilities of current GRC Fan Noise Test Facilities

- **ANCF @ AAPL (TRL 2-3):**
  - Low speed / ultra-low pressure rise / unique acoustic measurements / limited aero measurements / high flexibility / parametric studies / low cost

- **UHB @ 9x15 LSWT (TRL 4-5):**
  - High speed / pressure rise / aero & performance measurements / acoustic measurements w caveats / forward flight effects / point design / high cost

- **W8 (TRL 4):**
  - High speed / pressure rise / aero & performance measurements / moderate costs
### NASA Glenn Propulsion Simulators and Facilities Available for Turbofan and Propeller Scale-Model Testing

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<th>Operating Limits</th>
<th>Single Rotation Propeller (SRP) Drive Rig</th>
<th>Open Rotor Propulsion Rig (ORPR)</th>
<th>Ultra High Bypass (UHB) Drive Rig</th>
<th>Advanced Noise Control Facility (ANCf)</th>
<th>9'x15' Low Speed Wind Tunnel</th>
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<td>Himmelstein transformer for relaying rotating signals</td>
<td>Counter rotation</td>
<td>150 channel slipring for relaying rotating signals</td>
<td>4' diameter fan</td>
<td>Very low FPR</td>
<td>30 to +45 deg AOA capability</td>
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<td>Accepts SRP, CRP and UHB drive rigs</td>
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Summary of Preliminary Feasibility Study

(drive concepts / facility requirements)
only best candidates presented
Concept Study Assumptions

What would it look like?
(High level design requirements)

- All electric drive to minimize external support ($) (consider alternatives)
  - Minimize component noise level (initial metric > 20? dB below WT)

- Tested designs transferable to 9x15 WT - 22” fan diameter*
  - (suggested actual hardware a plus)

- Maintain current measurement capabilities.
  - Far field, in-duct, wall pressures, flow diagnostics, aero-performance

- Sited in AAPL - Minimal impact on existing rigs
  - Ambient temperature conditions

- Static - no external flow lines to complicate / no forward flight effects
ANCF II Location in AAPL

This plan view shows the proposed location of the new test rig with respect to current facility layout.

ANCF II test rig would use current thrust stand area in the AAPL with the mezzanine used as a work platform for research hardware access.

Chosen to provide best farfield acoustic arena.

Location allows for addition of extensive sound barrier between motor & acoustic arena.

Minimizes interference with existing rigs. Will still be able to maintain ANCF I and share campaign crew.
## Concept / Power Ranges Considered

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<td>Low</td>
<td>~ 5,000Ω/500HP</td>
<td>Low end facility power upgrade/ Belt/pulley transmission</td>
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<td>Mid (1)</td>
<td>~ 6,000Ω/1,000HP</td>
<td>Low end facility power upgrade/ Gearbox coupling – right angle</td>
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<td>~ 10,000Ω/3,000HP</td>
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<td>T55</td>
<td>~ 16,000Ω/3500HP</td>
<td>Commercial turboshaft / long shaft</td>
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<td>High (1)</td>
<td>~ 21,000Ω/7,000HP</td>
<td>High end facility power upgrade/ Gearbox coupling – straight / long shaft</td>
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<td>High (2)</td>
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<td>Hot Air turbine</td>
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ANCF II 3-D Base Concept View

for 3000 HP

Main door for exhaust flow

Initial ‘conventional’ layout
- very clean inlet arc
- motor inside
- flow obstructions in aft
- right angle gearboxes ($/dB)
**ANCF II Alternate Concept View**

**Alternate Inlet Driven**

Originally for 7000 HP  
— 3000 HP

- very clean aft arc / moderate fwd arc  
- motor noise outside  
- right angle gearboxes eliminated  
- no flow obstructions in aft  
- inlet flow distortion  
- long shaft dynamics  

Main door for exhaust flow
Electric Motor Drive Options
alternate layout
Mid1 [Up to 6,000rpm / 1000hp] Mid2 [Up to 15,000rpm / 4000hp]
Honeywell T55 Turboshift Drive
[16,000 rpm / 3500 hp]
ANCF II FINAL CONFIGURATION

Current thinking:
- 3 -4000 HP +/- shaft driven
- External sited motor
- Ability to ‘flip’ orientation

Collector to exhaust
Can drive fan from aft – clean up inlet

Mezzanine grating and structure could be further reduced for ‘test’ configuration
Facility Upgrade Description
Power Upgrade for AAPL

Full Power Upgrade

– This power upgrade would be required for mid (3000hp) and high (7000hp) power range concepts

– The full power upgrade requires a dedicated 34.5 KV transformer and the associated cabling, breakers, etc

– This power upgrade would furnish the general electrical needs for AAPL

– Test scheduling limitation would be minimized

– Estimated cost for this full power upgrade is $1500K
Power Upgrade: Generator

Generator Rental
- CATERPILLAR XQ2000
  - 2000 kW / 480 V / 60 Hz
  - Can rent on weekly or monthly basis (≈ $10,000/week)
  - 1000 hp capability at $10K/week and 3000 hp capability at $19K/week

Generator Purchase
- CATERPILLAR STAND-BY DIESEL
  - 2000 kW / 480V / 60 Hz
  - Purchase New = $785,000
  - Purchase Used (2500 hrs. run time) = $585,000
  - 1000 hp capability at $600K and 3000 hp capability at $1300K
Trade Study Updates

Previous cost slide represents complete development of ANCF2 and associated facility upgrades, and instrumentation – i.e. full

It was recognized that the estimated costs were probably not affordable in the current budget environment.

So the scope (costs) were revised to consider only what is needed to achieve a basic, but sufficient, IOC.

- eliminate right angle gearboxes (eliminates $/noise/risk)
- use generator rental (eliminates facility power $)
- inlet driven shaft capability (eliminates collector $)
- defer overhead array (eliminates array $)

Also looked at T55 alternative.
# Concept Comparison (revised)

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<th>Speed (rpm) / Power (hp)</th>
<th>T55 Turboshaft Drive</th>
<th>Electric motor w/ gearbox (Mid1 power)</th>
<th>Electric motor w/ gearbox (Mid2 power)</th>
<th>4 stage hot air turbine</th>
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<td>16,000 / 3500</td>
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<th>Research Capability</th>
<th>All but highest PR takeoff (not reversible)</th>
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T55 Vs Electric Motor

1) Trade study assumes that both power sources will be mounted outside the Dome and require a similar drive train once inside the Dome to the fan

2) Design requirement weight defines the importance of the design requirement- 1 (least important) to 5 (most important)

3) Power concept score rates how well the concept satisfies the requirement- 1 (low) to 3 (high)
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<td>Speed(rpm) / Power(hp)- ability to provide the full power at speed</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>Research Capability- satisfies range of speed/ power for fan operation, AND rotation directions</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>Precise speed control and bidirectional</td>
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<td>Commercial hardware with integrated support systems. Standard level of effort</td>
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Recommended Course of Action

1. Select a electrically driven motor ~ 3-4 KHP / 10-15 Krpm

2. Most “turn-key” option, and operationally simplest. (Biggest risk is long shaft dynamics)

3. Utilize rental generators for power. Defer facility upgrade until operational tempo indicates need.

4. Inlet driven shaft – collector design and fabrication. Exit acoustic data acquired

5. Capability to flip test rig and run drive shaft in reverse. Inlet acoustic data acquired
Schedule and Cost Phasing
Breakdown Based on High Power Electric Motor

Schedule

- Concept Study Kick-off 1/2010
- Concept Down-select 11/2010
- Project Go-Ahead 6/2011
- ANCF II Preliminary Design Review 4/2012
- ANCF II Critical Design Review 1/2013
- Hardware Delivery 10/2013
- Assembly and Checkout Complete 7/2014

Cost

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Assumes 75% engineering is CS, drafting is 50% CS, and manufacturing is all SSC
Summary

1) The new ANCF to match the flow and loading characteristics of the 9x15 Wind Tunnel scale models
   • 9x15 WT costs are $250K / week power & labor.
   • ANCF II Operational costs would be $25- $50K / week.

2) Efficient operation at effective performance enables reimbursable work.

3) Evaluated designs directly transferable to the 9x15 greatly lowering the development risks.

4) Provide for in depth study of fundamental physics of fan broadband noise generation,

5) and the effects on performance, which will enable the development and validation of prediction codes.
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