



PAA and Aircraft System Noise Team Overview of Research for the AATT Project

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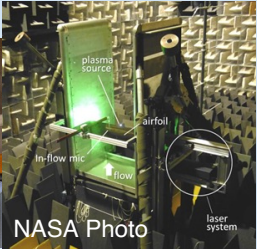
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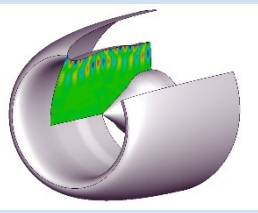
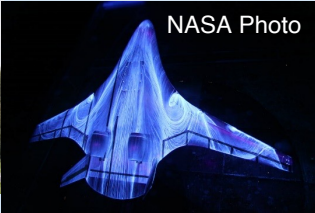
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Propulsion Airframe Aeroacoustics and Aircraft System Noise Team



Collaboration with:

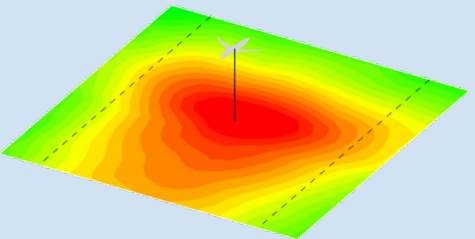
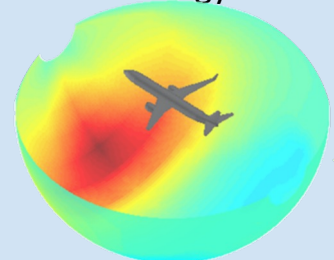
- System Analysis and Integration
- NASA Acoustics and other disciplines
- Industry
- Academia



PAA & ASN Team
 PAA are the aeroacoustic integration effects
 ASN is the total aircraft system noise (e.g., certification noise)

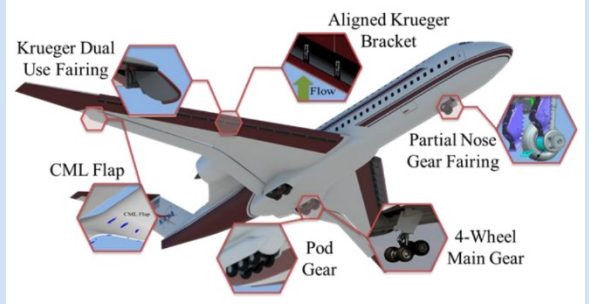
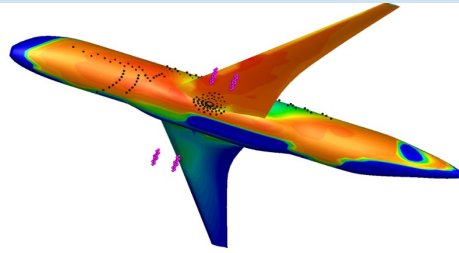
Products:

- ANOPP (Aircraft NOise Prediction Program),
 - Research and Release Versions
- PAA and Aircraft Noise Prediction Methods
- Aircraft Concept Acoustic Assessments
- Noise Reduction Technology
- Technology Roadmaps to Guide Development



Aircraft acoustics research including:

- Simulations
- Wind tunnel research tests
- Full-scale flight research tests



ANOPP-Research vs. ANOPP-Release



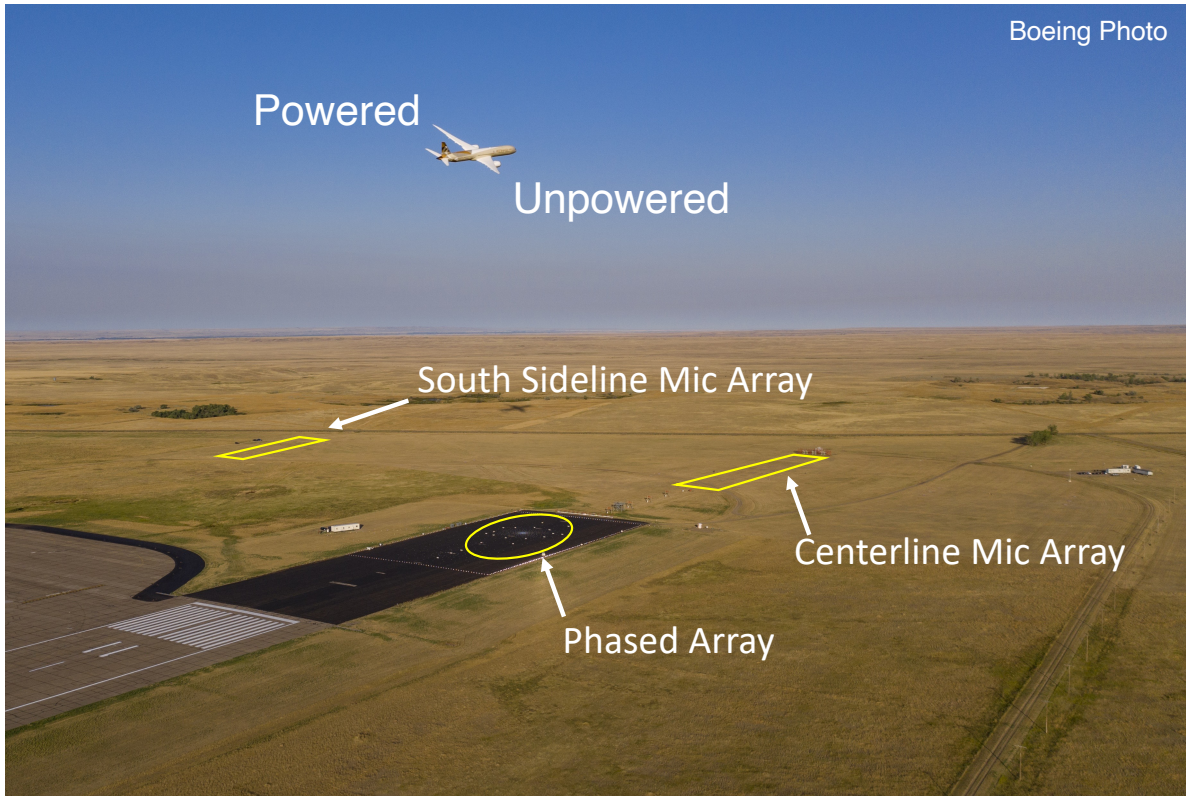
- L31v7 Current Release
- L32v1 (Future Planned Release)
 - Initial release of the 3rd generation of airframe noise prediction methods, the Guo methods for gear, slat, and flap
 - Removal of the Fink methods for gear, slat, and flap
- ANOPP-Research (In-House)
 - Additional data and modeling (in ANOPP or stand-alone predictions) used for:
 - Wide range of noise reduction technologies
 - Propulsion airframe aeroacoustic (PAA) effects from data
 - PAA scattering effects from physics based, midcomplexity prediction methods
 - PAAShA for shielding
 - PAASc for general scattering
 - Calibrations to noise prediction methods
 - Acoustic liner technology prediction
 - Full range of the 3rd generation of airframe noise prediction methods including Krueger flap and additional capabilities/features

Propulsion Airframe Aeroacoustics and Aircraft System Noise Flight Test on the Boeing 787 ecoDemonstrator 2020



Collaboration between NASA and Boeing

For a Straight Flight Test Point



Relative EPNdB

	High Power		
	Prediction	Measured	
	PAA	No PAA	
Unpowered	-1.9	-3.1	-7.3
Centerline	+5.0	+3.2	0.0
Powered	-0.9	-3.1	-6.2

- Measured data are another quantification of PAA effects in flight
- With PAA, ANOPP-Research predicts correct trend and magnitude
- Airframe components well predicted
- Confirmed need for new ANOPP fan source noise and new liner methods

Thomas, Guo, Clark, and June, AIAA 2022-2993
 Czech et al., AIAA 2022-2994

New System Level Liner Prediction Method In Development



Collaboration of the PAA & ASN and the Liner Physics Teams

Recent system noise assessments indicate high importance of fan noise (source, **liner**, & propulsion-airframe aeroacoustics) on overall prediction accuracy



Develop a *system-noise-compatible* acoustic liner prediction method applicable to *current and future aircraft nacelles*, *improving physical fidelity and accuracy* over available methods.

system-noise-compatible

- low-cost model evaluation
- compact feature space
- large design domain

current and future aircraft

- realistic geometry
- liner design flexibility
- constrained to computational approach

improving physical fidelity

- narrowband
- azimuthal dependence
- fan source specific modeling

improving ... accuracy

- out-of-sample
- flight validation

Limit scope to inlet for initial modeling iteration

Airframe Prediction Method Generations in ANOPP-Research



- ANOPP-Fink (~1977)
 - Landing gear model based on simple, small scale, isolated gear test
 - Flap, slat and trailing edge models all based on flat plate trailing edge theory
- ANOPP-BAF (~2005)
 - More physics-based source mechanism modeling
 - Large scale and flight test data calibration
- ANOPP-Research Guo Methods (started 2015)
 - Physics-based modeling building on ANOPP-BAF
 - New subcomponents
 - Extended functionality
 - Completely new Krueger flap noise model
 - More applicable to future unconventional aircraft

In the timeframe of BAF also a New Trailing Edge Model – not in ANOPP yet and uses CFD data...

Still using Fink for Trailing Edge in ANOPP

3rd Generation Airframe Noise Prediction Compared to NASA/Boeing PAA & ASN 787 Flight Test Data

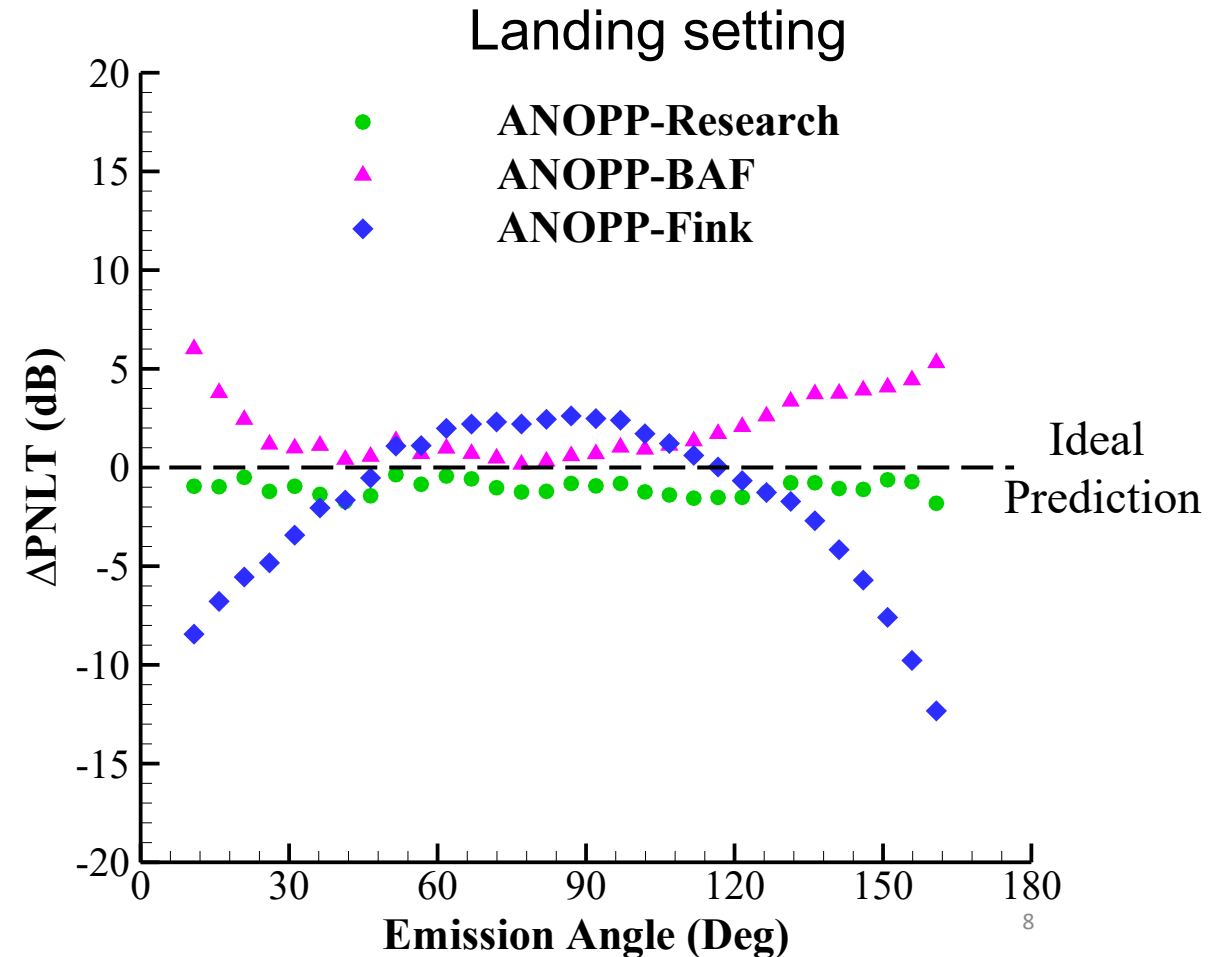
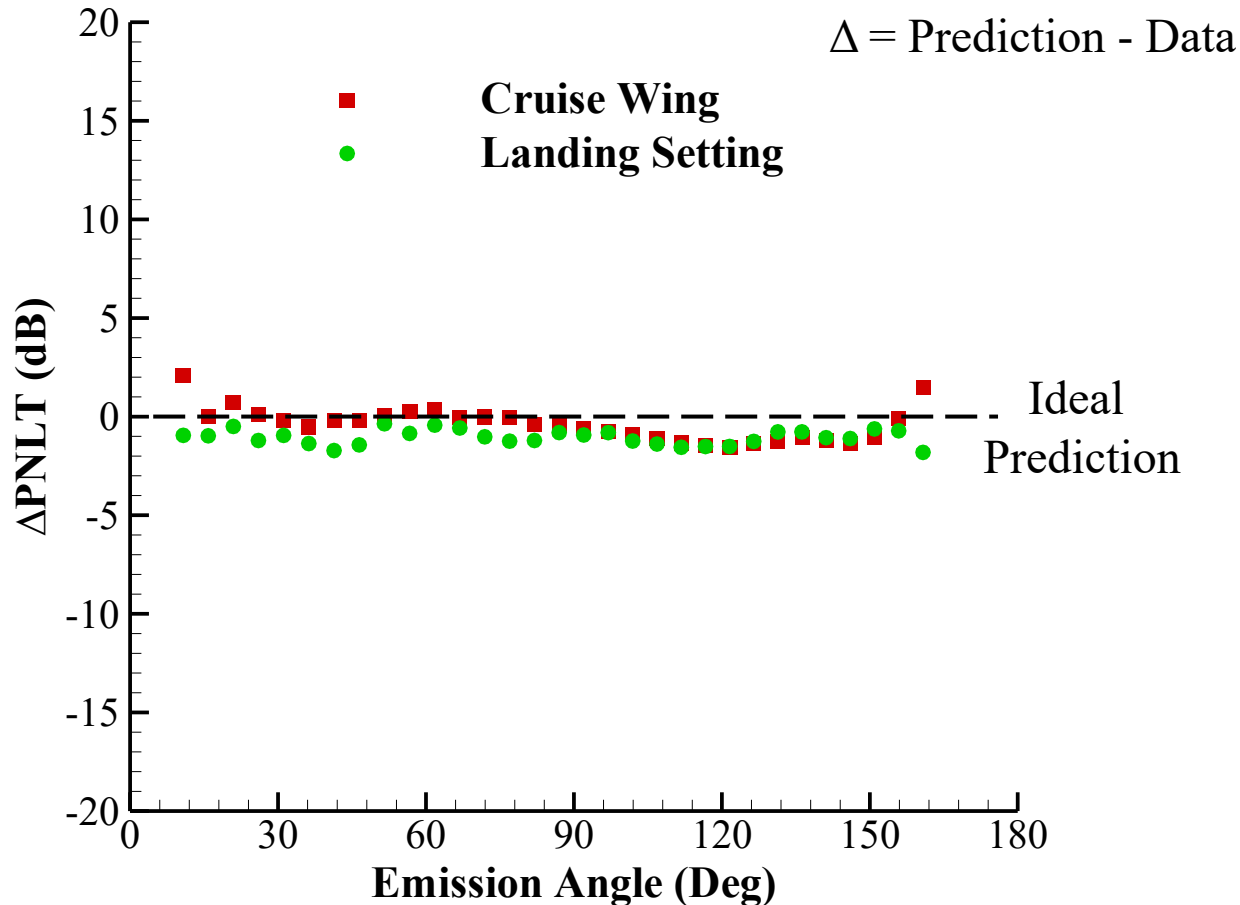


Landing Gear

Guo and Thomas, AIAA 2022-2995

Error in EPNL

- Cruise wing: $\Delta\text{EPNL} = -0.5$ dB
- Landing setting: $\Delta\text{EPNL} = -1.0$ dB



Airframe Methods Status



- Fink methods shown to be completely inadequate – as expected
- ANOPP-Research Guo Airframe Methods – overall excellent performance

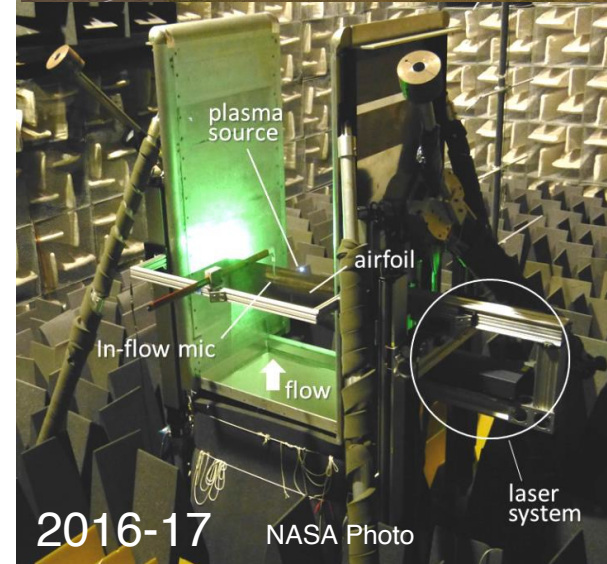
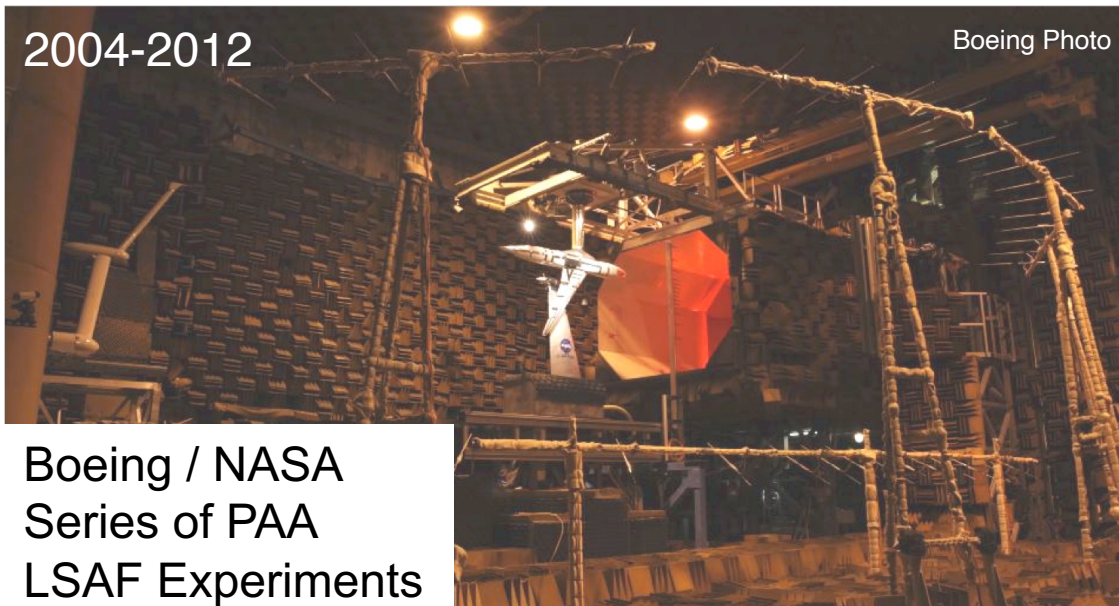
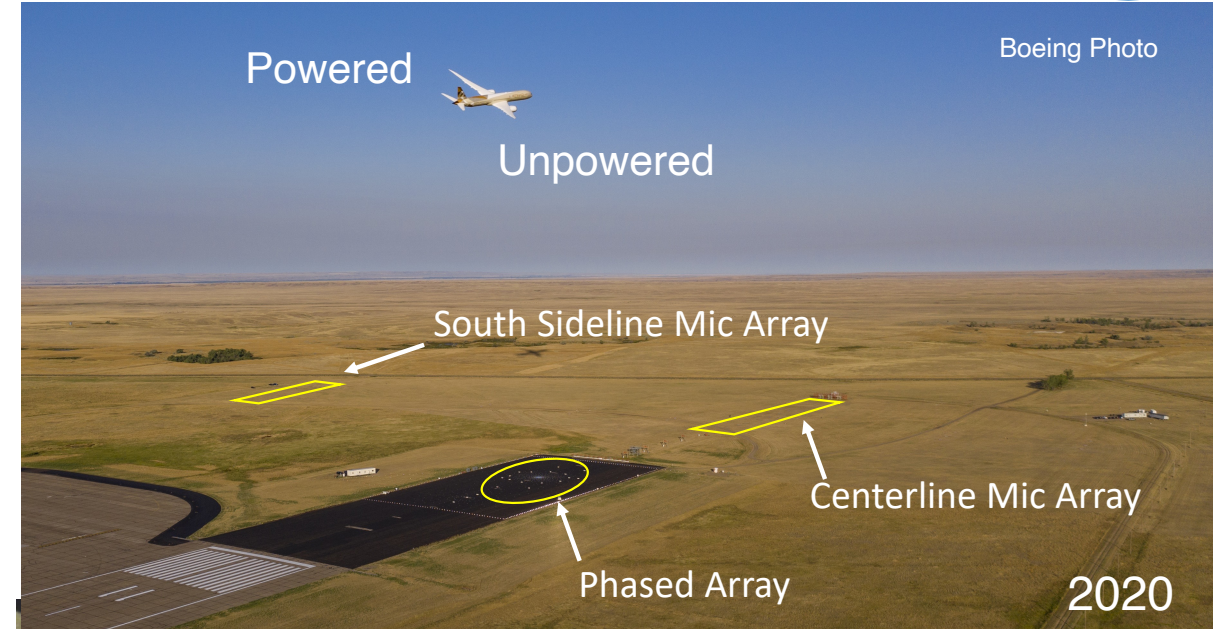
Component	Accuracy	Potential Improvement	Impact on Component EPNL
Landing Gear	Good Overall	Wake/Edge Interaction and/or Model for Small Parts	Minor
Slat	Good Overall	Gap and/or Bracket Noise Directivity	Minor
Flap	Good in Parametric Trends, Large Error in Amplitude	Model for Advanced Flap System	Major (~2 dB)

Guo and Thomas, AIAA 2022-2995

PAA Progress Has Used a Range of Experimental Research – Prediction Method Development Benefited



Series of Canonical Geometries: plate, sphere and cylinder



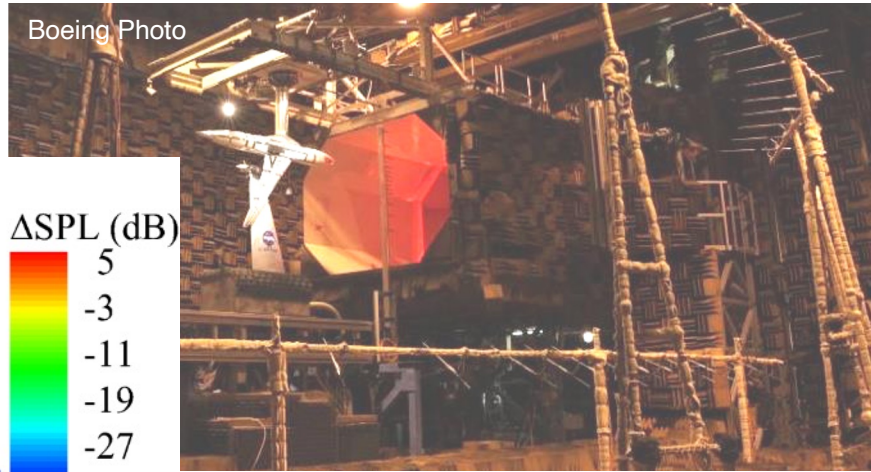
QFF NACA 0012 Spark Source (part of NATO AVT-233)

Two Methods for Prediction of PAA Scattering Effects



Prediction from LSAF PAA Data

Czech and Thomas, AIAA 2013-2185

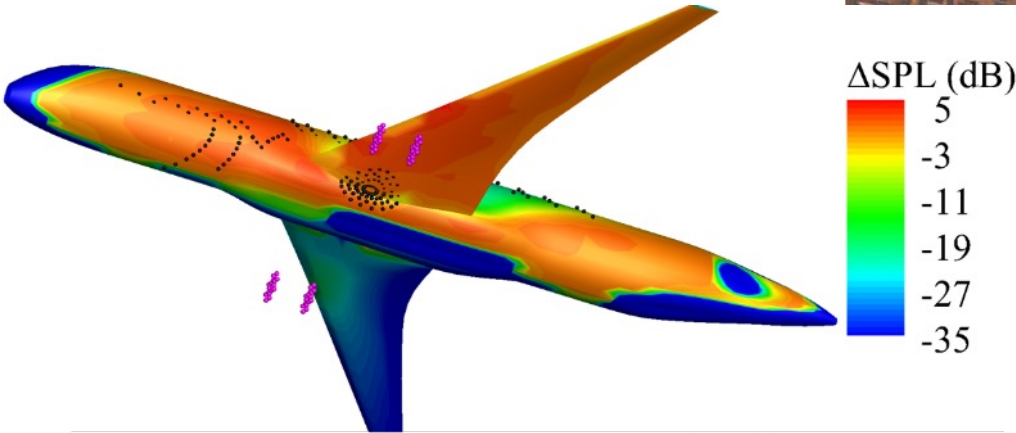


Boeing Low Speed Aeroacoustic Facility (LSAF)

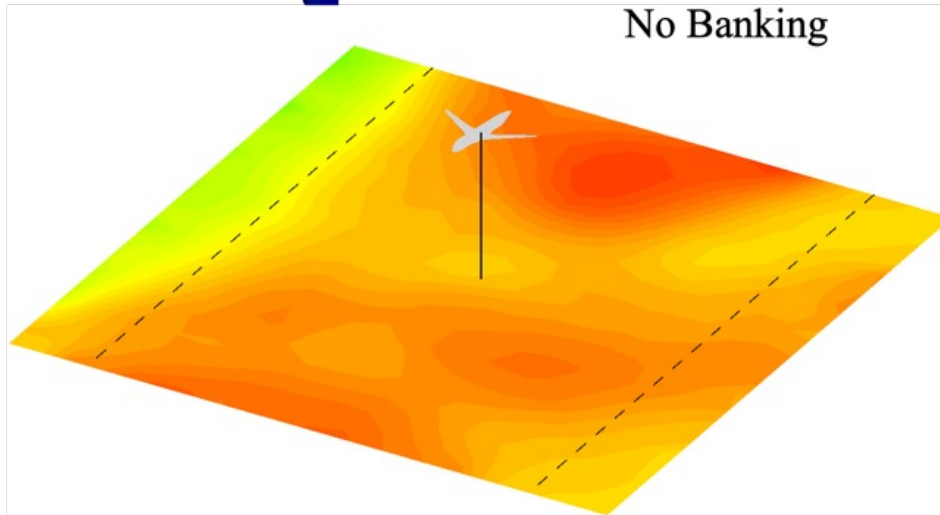
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PAASc Prediction

Guo and Thomas, AIAA 2022-3077



No Banking

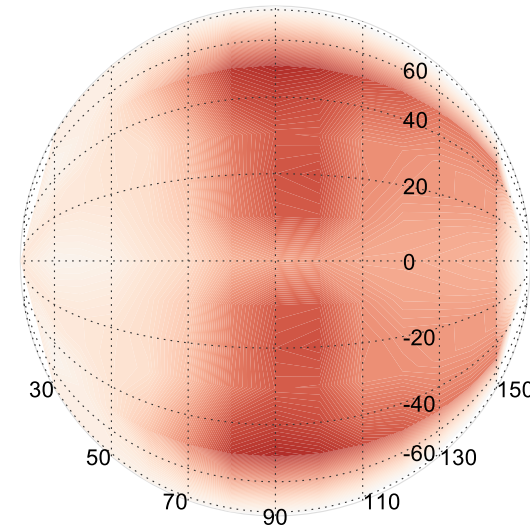
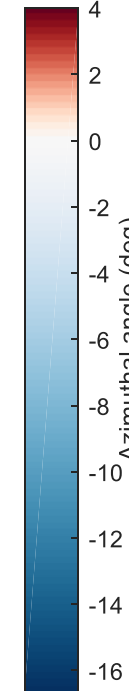


Modify engine-under-wing reflection data from LSAF data for geometry

ΔSPL (dB)

TW160 Single Aisle

1000 Hz

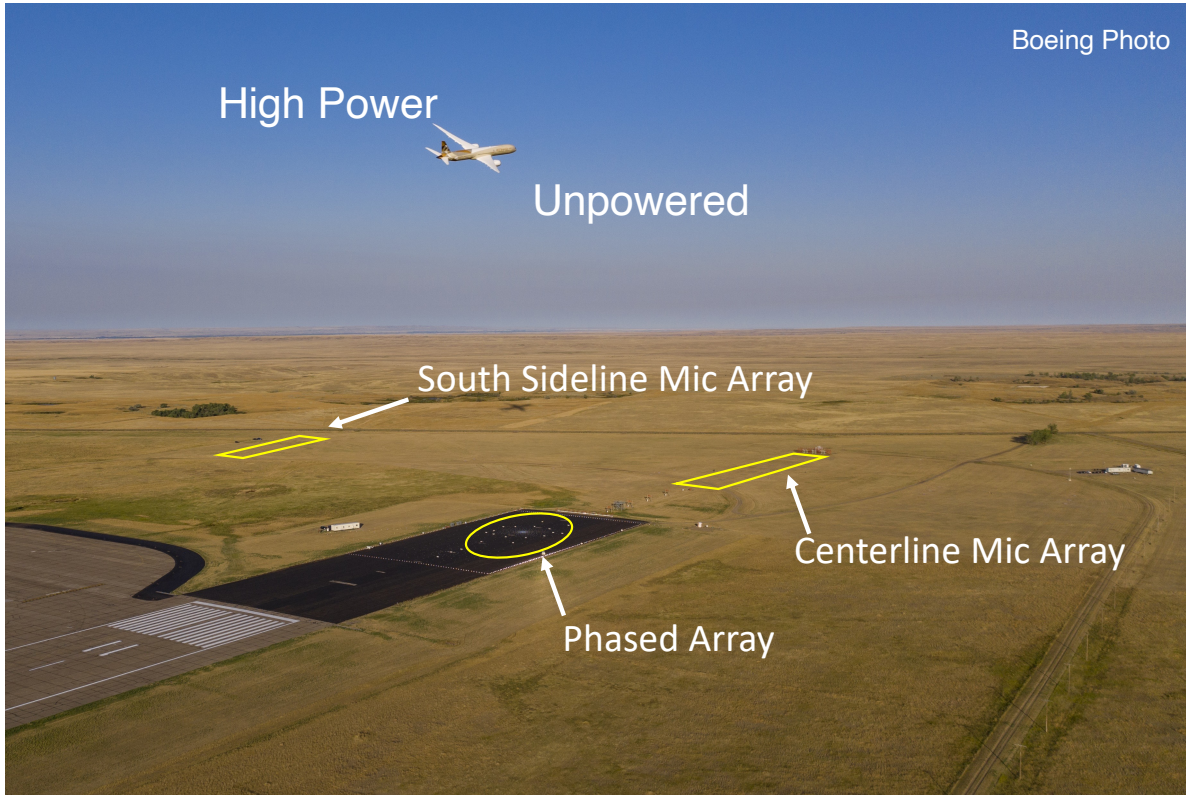


Polar angle (deg)

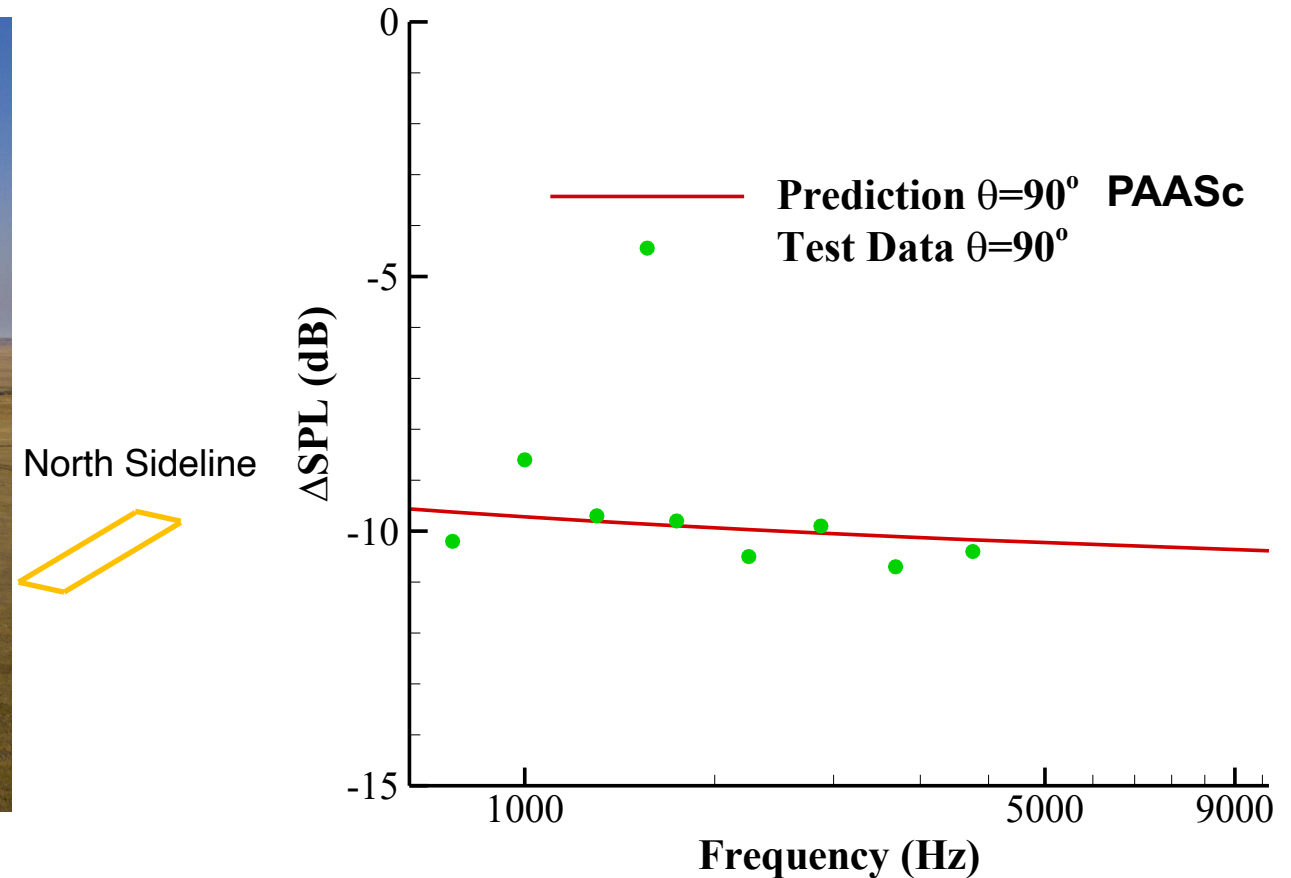
PAASc Prediction Validation with 787 Flight Data



- Banking angle 34 degrees
- Altitude 800 feet
- Mach 0.3

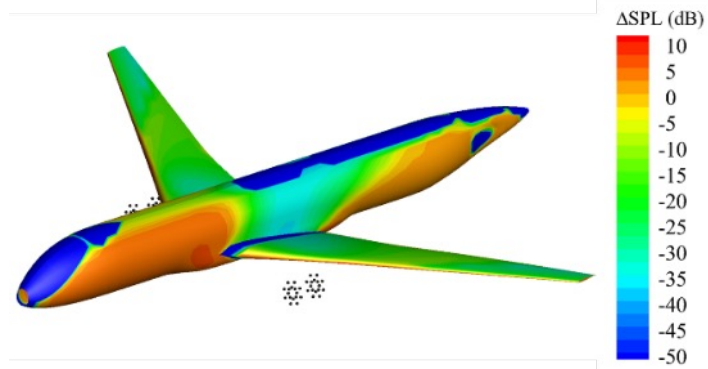


$\Delta\text{SPL} = \text{North Sideline} - \text{South Sideline}$



Benchmark Validation Result

Many PAA Sc Applications and Developments in Progress

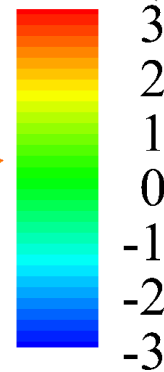


Bank Angle 35°

4000 ft

4000 ft

ΔSPL (dB)



1000 Hz

Predicted scattered field for combined forward and aft fan broadband noise, both engines at high power.

- Continued comparison to experimental and flight test data
- Improvements and documentation
- Development of possible low-noise operational procedures
- Development of innovative PAA noise reduction technologies
- PAA maps for advanced aircraft concept noise assessments:
 - TTBW and others
- PAA maps for noise reduction roadmaps as integrated with advanced aircraft concepts

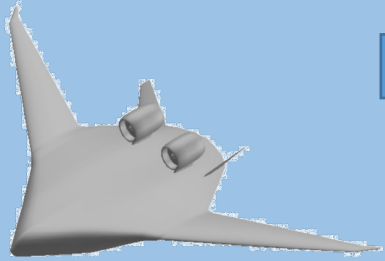
Development of an Aircraft Concept and Noise Assessment



Systems Analysis and Integration within NASA AATT Project

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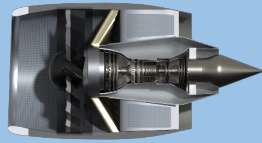
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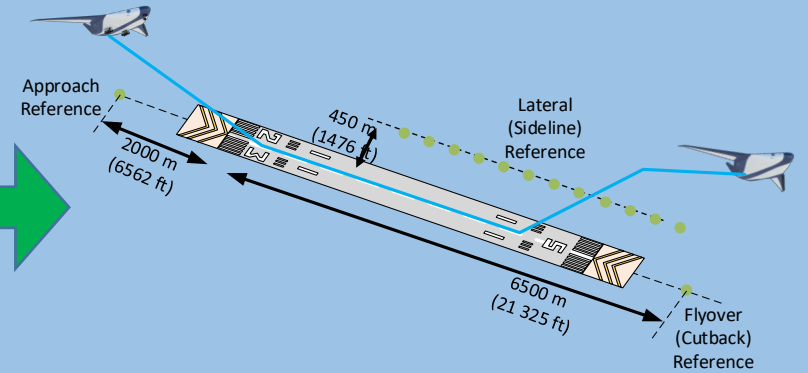
Technology Assumptions

Propulsion System Modeling



Airframe Modeling

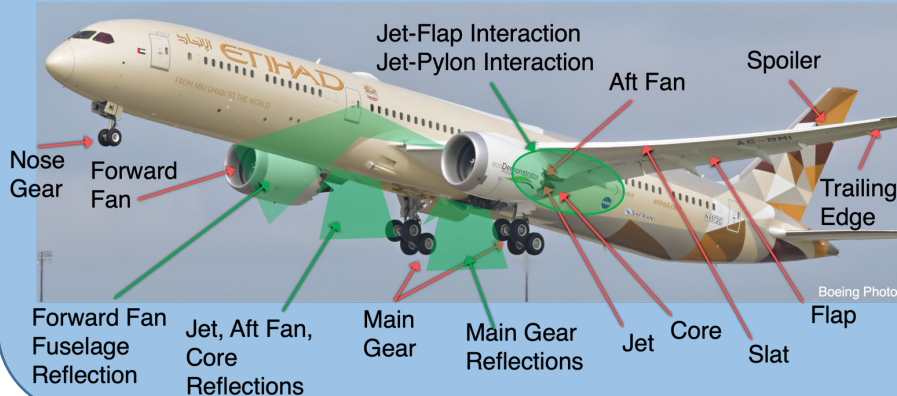
Mission Analysis (e.g., noise certification)



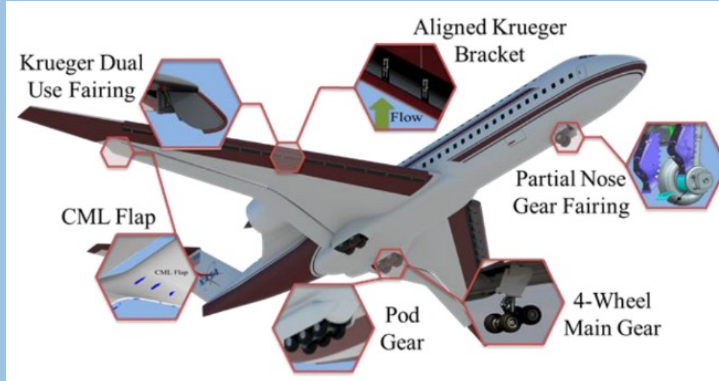
Detailed Flight Characteristics

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Aircraft System Noise Prediction (with ANOPP-Research)

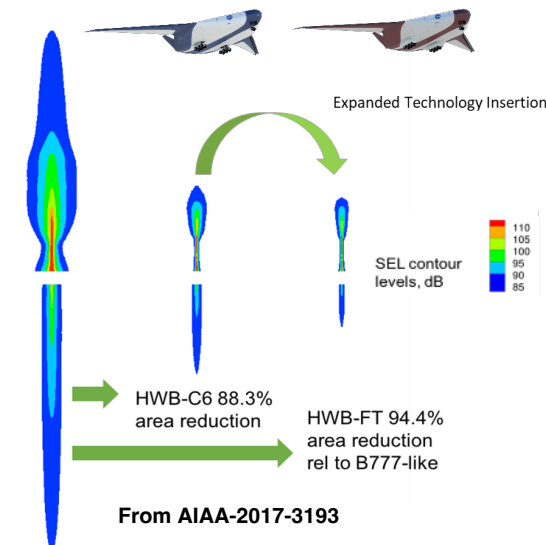


Technology Package



Results

Acoustic Assessment

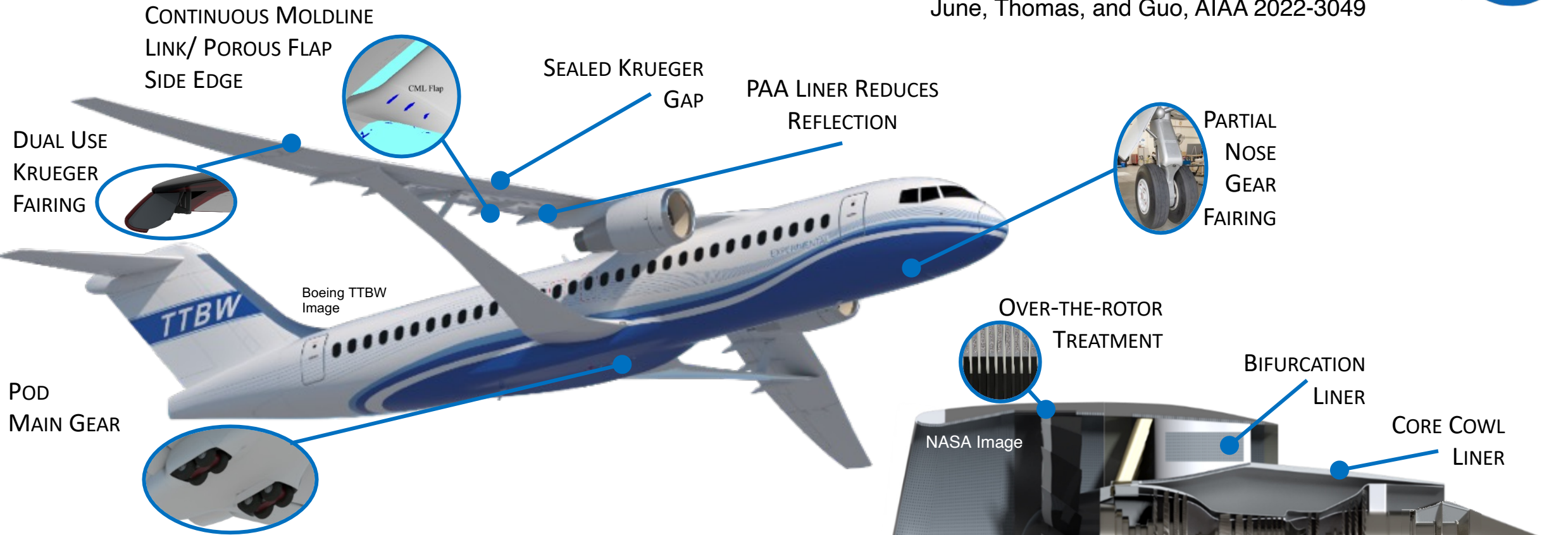


From AIAA-2017-3193

Transonic Truss Braced Wing (TTBW) Roadmap Technologies and Plans



June, Thomas, and Guo, AIAA 2022-3049

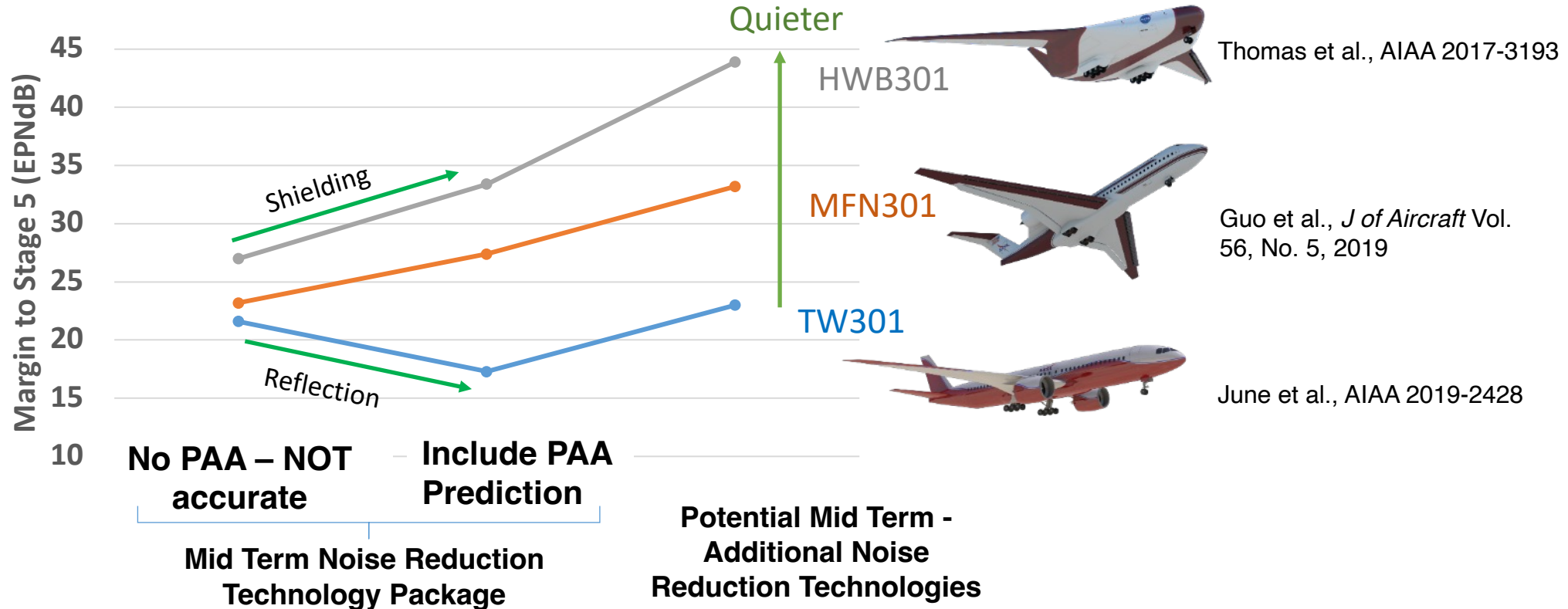


Configuration	Roadmap Noise Reduction [EPNdB]	Resulting Cumulative Margin to Stage 5 [EPNdB]
TTBW	7.8	25.8
N3 Conventional	7.2	20.5

Low-Noise Value of Configuration Change



Multiyear study on a set of equivalently modeled advanced concepts to determine the noise reduction value of configuration change.



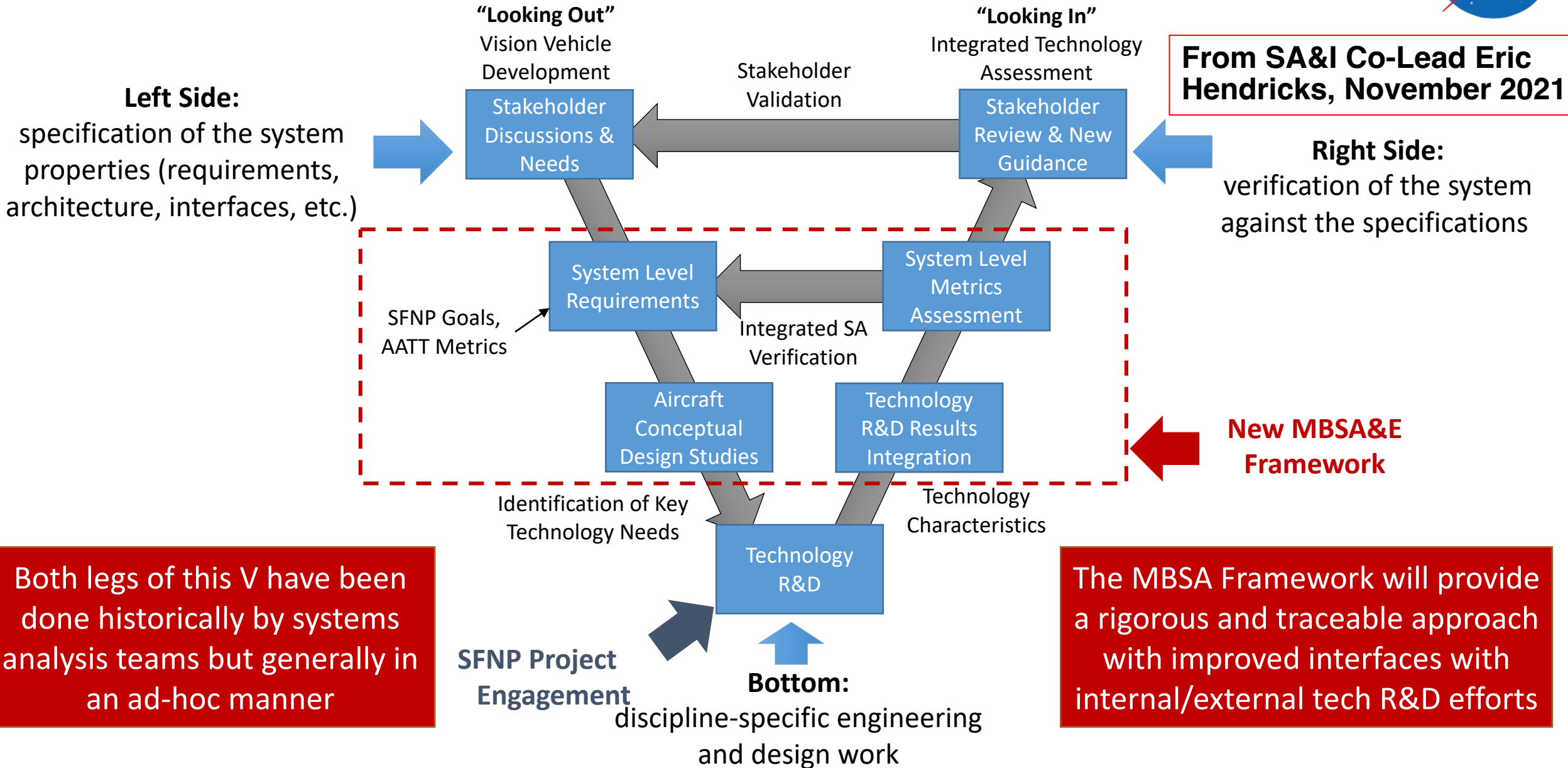
- Total PAA effect is the largest share of the **16.1 EPNdB** difference.
- Add innovative technologies including improving PAA effectiveness. Increases difference to **20.9 EPNdB** cumulative.

High Level Summary of System Studies – Results and Progress



- From studies such as: TW301, MFN301, HWB301, TW160, OWN160, ND8, TTBW154 and others
- Assessment and technology roadmap findings:
 - Many advanced concepts and technologies considered
 - Future noise reduction potential:
 - About 7 dB from noise reduction technology roadmaps
 - About 7 dB from more advanced aircraft technology levels
 - Up to 11 dB from favorable configuration change – PAA effects
 - Significant risk and cost to development
 - Transformative technology could expand the design space and could enable configuration change
 - Can stimulate new technology with more near-term application supporting sustainable growth
- Significant improvements are being made in NASA's system noise capability, continuing to increase realism of noise prediction for advanced concepts

Sustainable Flight National Partnership (SFNP) System Analysis V-Model



Summary



- AATT is providing robust, collaborative, and ambitious research that is advancing the capabilities and understanding of PAA integration effects and aircraft system noise
- New prediction methods in development to improve ANOPP's accuracy and capabilities
- Working from the PAA & ASN perspective, developing innovative technology concepts for NASA's aircraft concept applications
- NASA / Boeing PAA & ASN flight test on the 787 ecoDemonstrator in 2020 was a major effort
 - First true system level validation of ANOPP
 - Measured PAA scattering effects in flight
 - Demonstrated progress in airframe and PAA scattering predictions
 - Analysis continuing and expect many developments in the future

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