

Air system

The engine air system includes

- The **engine bleed air supply system**-The compressed air is bleed from bleed valves on engine compressors. The air is then supplied **at 45 PSI** to connected engine and aircraft user systems.
- The **external engine air services**-The external engine air services are supplied from the engine bleed air supply system. These include - the **inlet cowl thermal anti-icing system, the engine cross-starting system** and in some cases the **pneumatic thrust reverser system**.

- The **internal cooling and sealing air systems**-The engine internal air systems provide **cooling air flows, bearing chamber sealing air, compressor and turbine inter-stage sealing air**
- The **Accessory cooling system**-The accessory cooling system provides **ventilation airflows in the engine under-cowling zones** to maintain their temperatures at an acceptable level. The system also supplies **cooling air for various engine mounted accessories.**

- The **compressor bleed controls system**-The compressor bleed control system maintains the engine compressor surge margin during low rpm operation and during engine acceleration and deceleration.
- The effect of bleeding air from the engine **depends on the mass of air used by the aircraft and engine pneumatic services**.
- The **effects are a lower mass airflow with a reduction in thrust, an increase in EGT and in specific fuel consumption**.

- **The** increase in fuel flow is required to raise the engine rpm to maintain the air mass flow and thrust and this will increase the EGT and SFC of the engine.
- Environmental system re-circulate a proportion of the air conditioning – air from the cabin to meet the pneumatic demand and save fuel.

❑ AIRCRAFT LOW PRESSURE PNEUMATIC SYSTEM

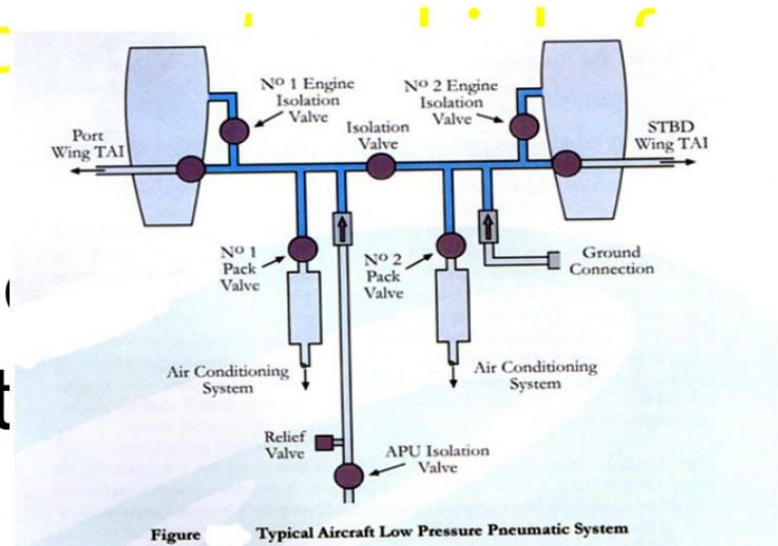
- Aircraft LP pneumatic system is supplied with compressed air at 45 PSI to provide a ready air supply for aircraft
 - Air-conditioning and Cabin Pressurization
 - Engine starting
 - Wing thermal anti-icing
 - Nacelle inlet anti-icing
 - Hydraulic reservoir and water tank pressurization
 - In some cases wing leading edge slat operation
 - Thrust reverser operation and air-driven hydraulic pump operation

- The air is normally supplied from either of two bleed points on the compressor on each engine but the air can also be obtained from the APU or from a low pressure air trolley via a ground service connection.
- The main air supply is normally taken from an intermediate or early HP compressor bleed point.
- During engine start up and at low engine rpm operations this supply is not sufficient so the air is taken from later HP compressor stage bleed point until the engine rpm reaches a value where the low pressure bleed air can meet the demand of pneumatic system.

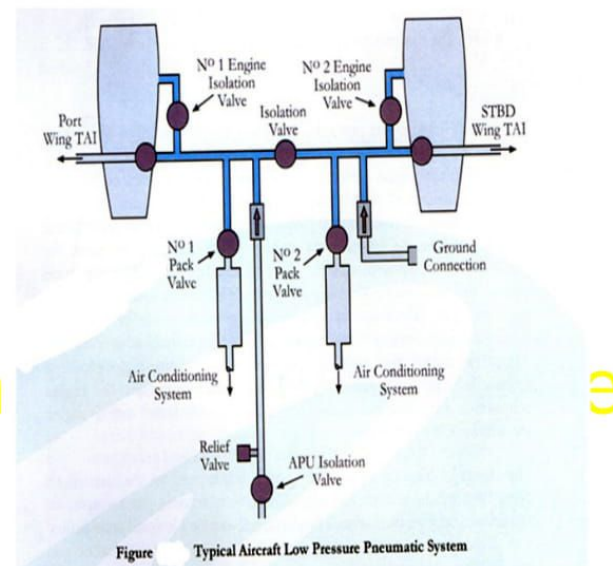
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ENGINE AIR SERVICES

intake thermal anti-icing engine
cross starting system

engine air start valve
anti-ice control valve Both the valves are
pneumatically operated and electrically

HOT AIR ANTI-ICE CONTROL SYSTEM

objective of the anti-ice system is to prevent ice from forming at the engine intake also compressor inlet guide

system is normally switched on whenever the outside air temperature falls below 10°C and there is a visible moisture present in the air

risk of ice

highest when
at high rpm on the ground

air temperature falls below 5°C.

hot HP compressor air

intake

upto around 200°C
cowl.

25 PSI by th

control valve

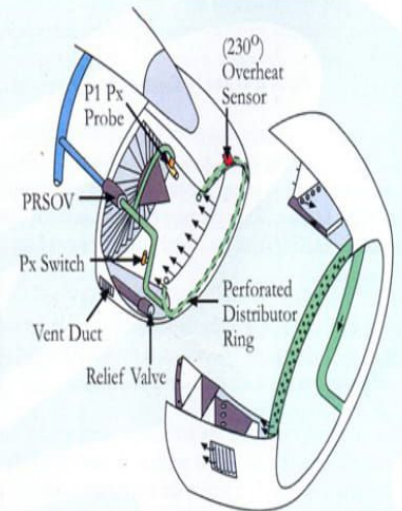


Figure Typical Intake Thermal Anti-Ice System

ejected forward

exhausted through vent

spinner and the fan or front rotating stages of the compressor are not prone to ice formation as this is prevented by the centrifugal forces

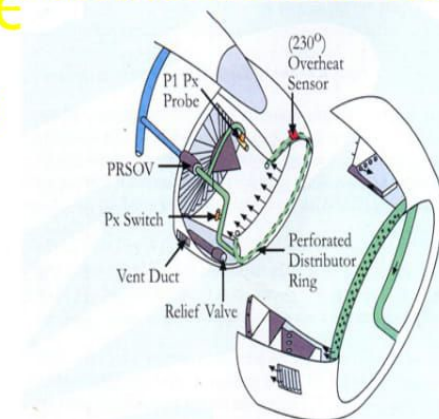


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INTERNAL COOLING AND SEALING AIR SYSTEM

labyrinth type air seals rely on a pressure differential to pass air across the seals into the chambers.

clearance between the engine stators and rotors preventing leakage of hot gas into the cavities between the turbine discs and the engine static casings.

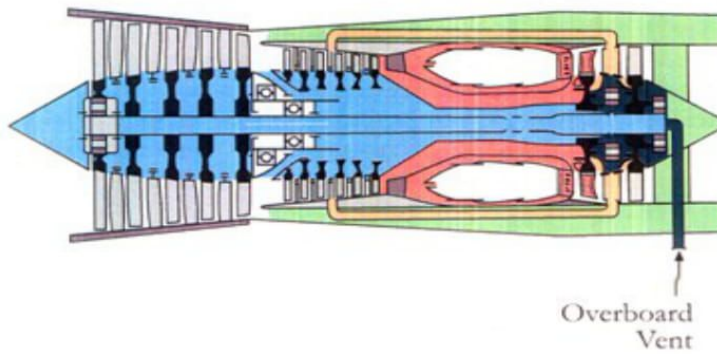


Figure Typical Internal Airflows

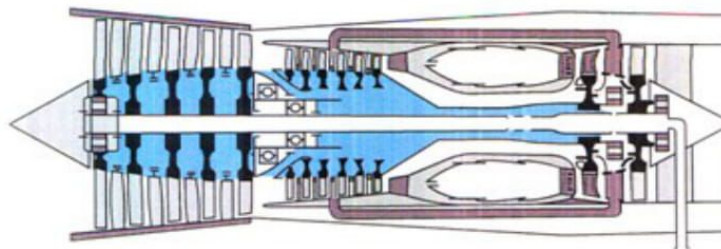


Figure LP Cooling and Sealing Airflow

INTERNAL AIR FLOW

active clearance control ACC

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