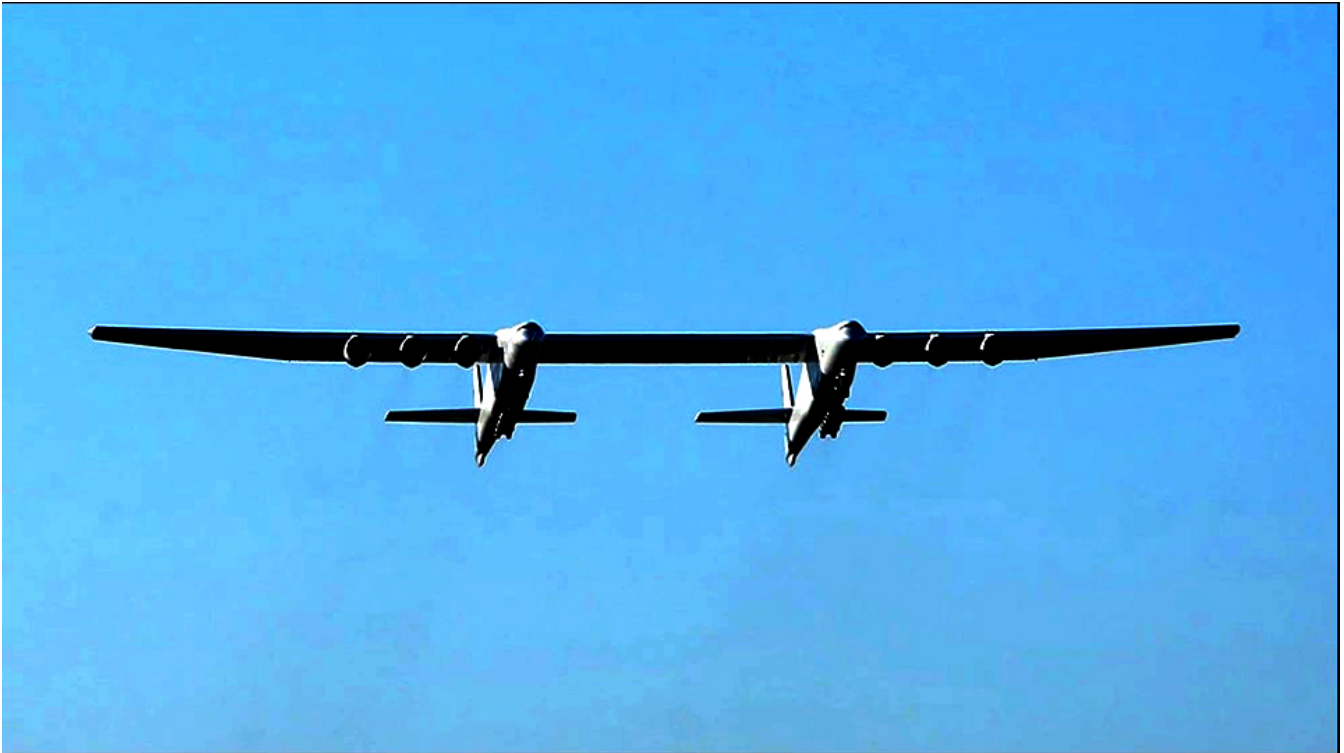


The Stratolaunch : World's largest aircraft with wingspan larger than a football field

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The largest Airplane, yes its longer than a standard football field.

The Stratolaunch -- code name "Roc" -- is the largest plane ever built. Its wings measure 385 feet across, longer than a professional football field. The Stratolaunch is powered by six 250 kN (56,000 lbf) Pratt & Whitney PW4056 engines harvested from the Boeing 747-400s.

It can launch up to 3 rockets per flight For its first launch, the Stratolaunch will likely carry a single Pegasus XL rocket, built by Orbital ATK. The craft is designed, however, to carry as many as three of these between its twin fuselage.

The Stratolaunch needs a lot of support from its 28 wheels. There are 12 main landing-gear wheels and two nose-gear wheels on each side.

Most airplanes are flown by a pilot on board the aircraft, but some are designed to be remotely or computer-controlled such as drones.

The aircraft departed from the Mojave Air and Space Port and flew approximately six hours across southeastern California, reaching a maximum altitude of 22,500

feet.

The company said it plans to have its first hypersonic flight and a separation test of the Talon-A vehicle in the first half of 2023.

The company's CEO, Zachary Krevor, said in the release that the plane is "closer than ever" to its first hypersonic flight test.

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