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Subject: OT: Nasa goto Mach 5!

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Mach 5 is old news...they did that way back when they were using the X-15 rocket plane. Which, by the way, also managed to reach altitudes that qualified its pilots for astronaut wings. It was launched from a B-52 and landed like a conventional plane. I forget what the speed record was for that thing, but I don't think it's been reached or broken until now.

Oh, 'scuse me, that's for powered flight...the shuttle goes much, much faster on re-entry.

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