

Aircraft Performance Equations of Motion Maneuvering Flight

Specific Energy

Total Energy = Potential Energy + Kinetic Energy

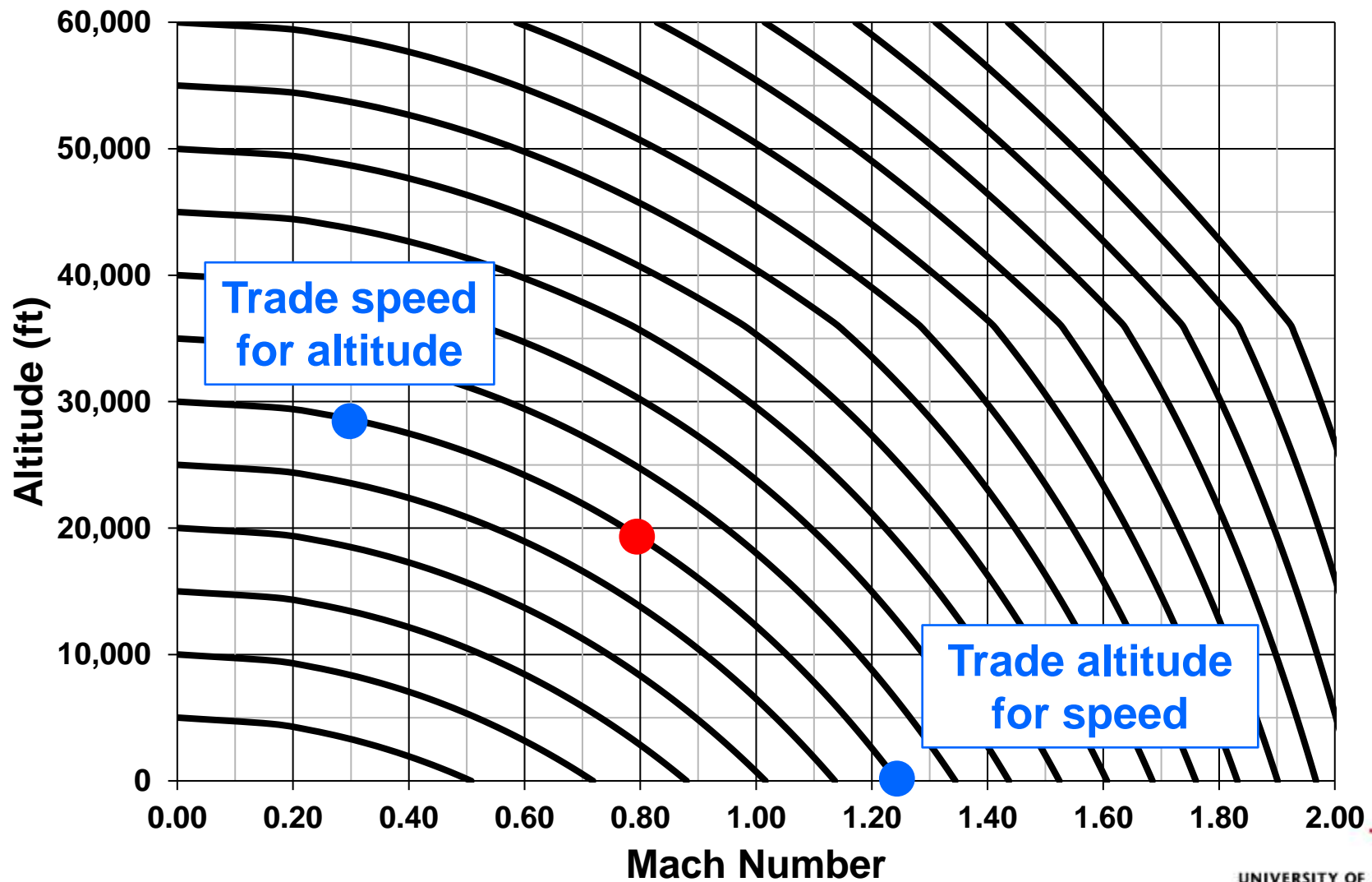
$$E = PE + KE$$

$$E = mgh + \frac{1}{2}mV^2$$

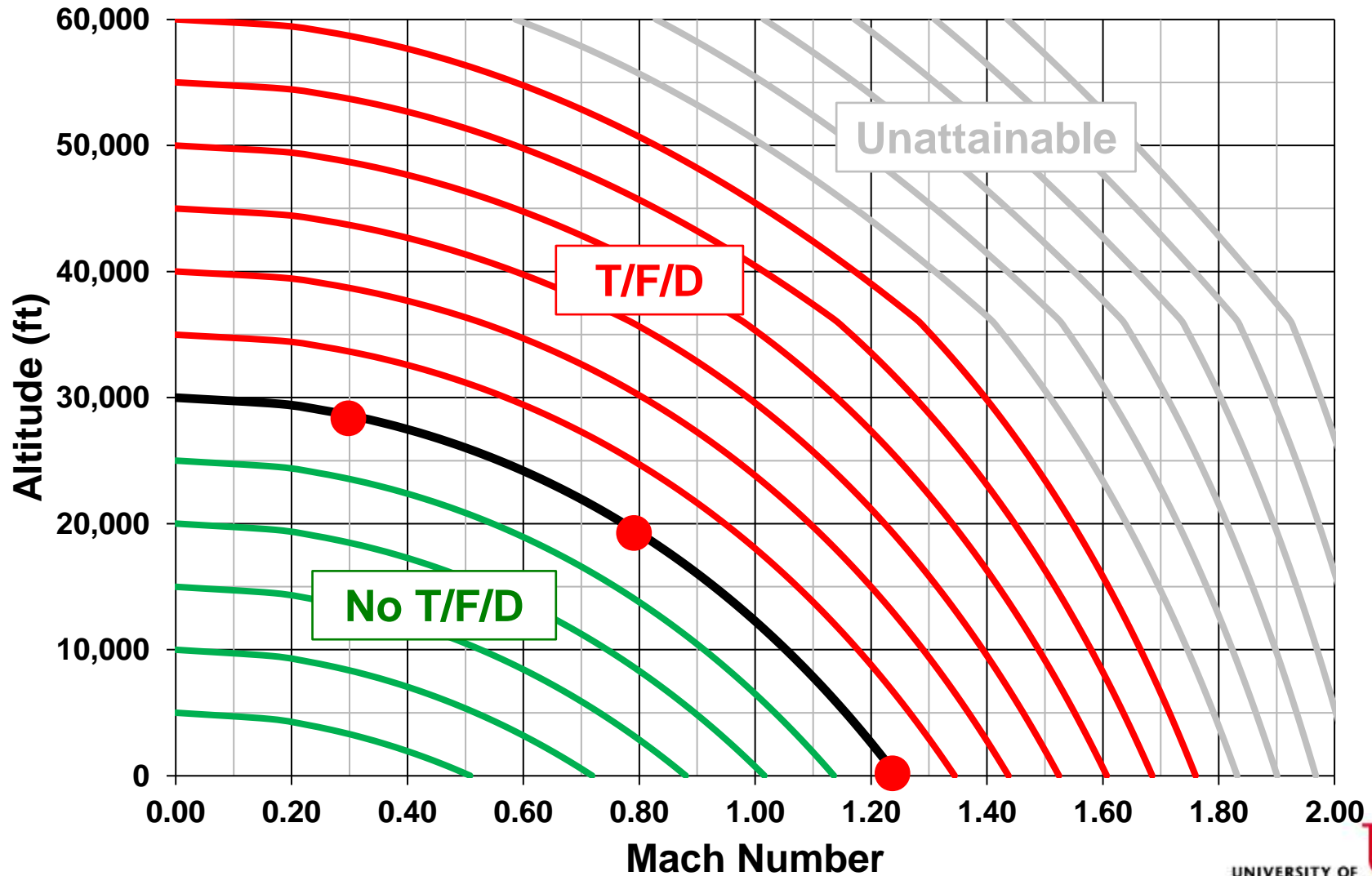
$$\frac{E}{W} = h + \frac{1}{2g}V^2$$

$$E_s = h + \frac{1}{2g}V^2 \quad (\text{always in ft})$$

Specific Energy



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What is the relationship between E_s and P_s ?

$$\frac{d}{dt} E_s = \frac{d}{dt} \left(h + \frac{1}{2g} V^2 \right)$$

$$\dot{E}_s = \frac{dh}{dt} + \frac{V}{g} \frac{dV}{dt} = P_s$$

(always in ft/sec)

Specific Excess Power

$$\frac{(T - D) V}{W} = \frac{dh}{dt} + \frac{V}{g} \frac{dV}{dt} = P_s$$

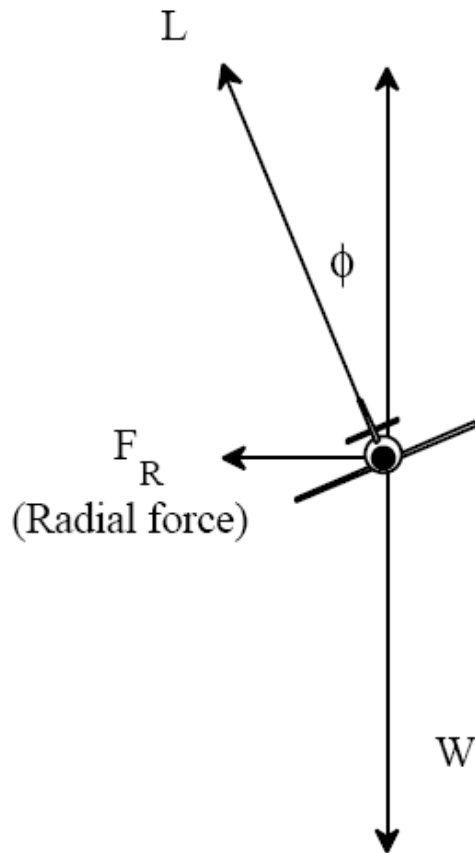
Specific Excess Power can help you calculate:
Absolute, Service, Cruise, and Combat Ceilings
Maximum and Minimum Velocity
Time, Fuel, and Distance to Climb or Descend
Time, Fuel, and Distance to Accel or Decel
Sustained Turn Envelope

$P_s < 0$ decelerating / descending flight

$P_s = 0$ sustained flight

$P_s > 0$ accelerating / climbing flight

Level Turning Flight



Lift acts perpendicular to the Free Stream Velocity

Lift acts perpendicular the wing surface

Drag acts parallel to the Free Stream Velocity

Weight acts vertically towards the ground

Thrust is fixed in the aircraft

Bank angle ϕ

Load factor n

$$\Sigma F_z = L \cos \phi - W = 0$$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{W}{L} \quad n = \frac{L}{W}$$

$$\phi = \arccos \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)$$

Figure 6.1

FORCES IN A STEADY LEVEL TURN

Level Turning Flight

$$\Sigma F_R = L \sin \phi = \frac{mV^2}{R}$$

Turn Radius R
Turn Angle ψ

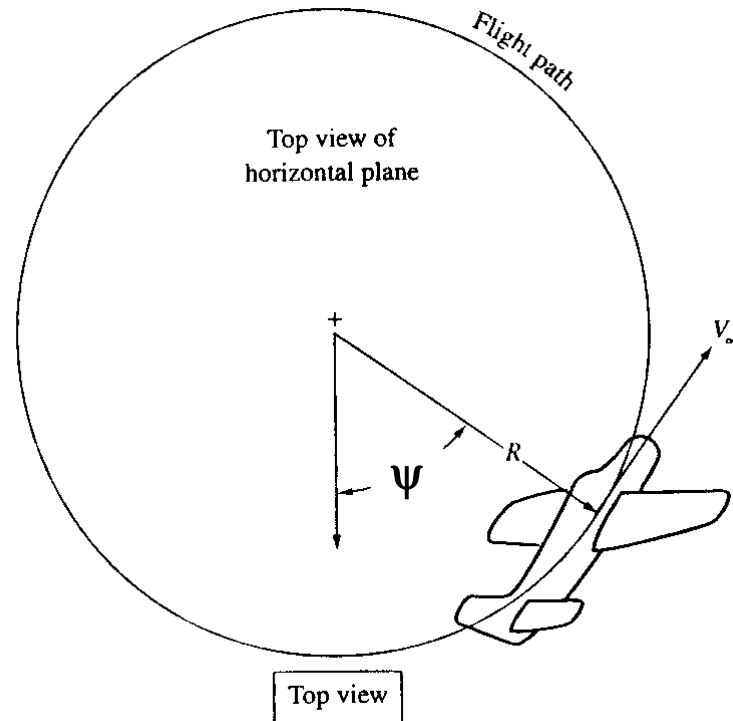
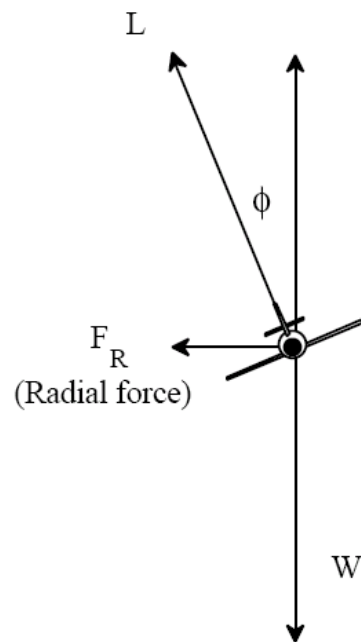


Figure 6.1

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Level Turning Flight

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Turn Radius R

Turn Angle ψ

Turn Rate $\omega = d\psi/dt$

Turn Radius: $R = \frac{mV^2}{L \sin \phi} = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$ (usually in ft)

Turn Rate: $\omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$ (calculated as rad/sec, but usually expressed as deg/sec)

Level Turning Flight

Turn Radius: $R = \frac{mV^2}{L \sin \phi} = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$ (tightest turn)

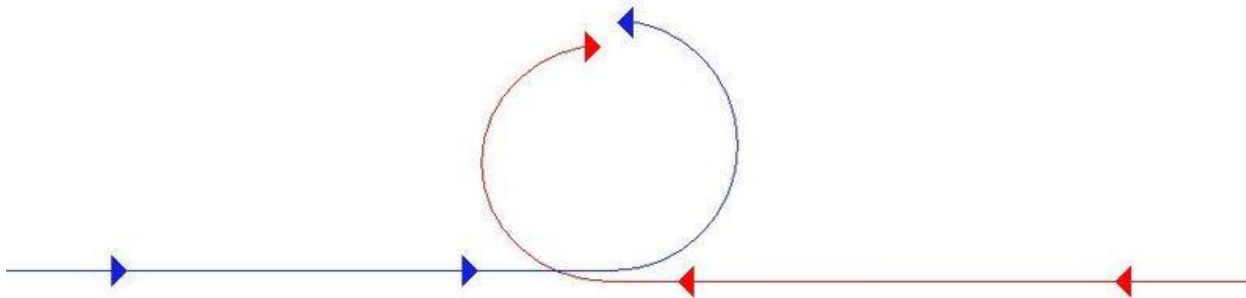
Turn Rate: $\omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$ (quickest turn)

To minimize turn radius for tightest turn and
to maximize turn rate for quickest turn:

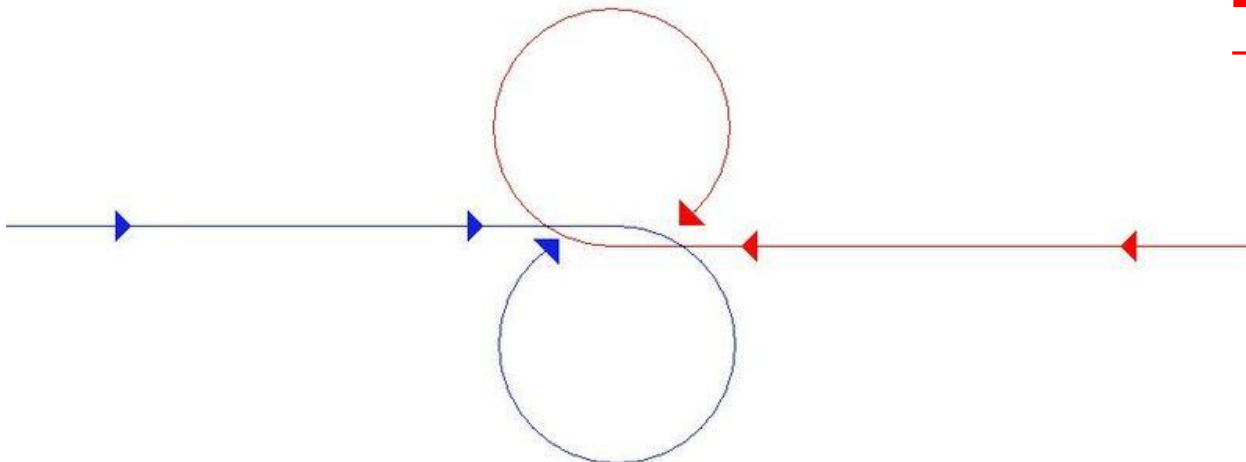
Highest possible load factor
Lowest possible velocity

Level Turning Flight

One circle flow



Two circle flow



Top Gun
Video

Level Turning Flight

Bank Angle ϕ

Turn Radius R

Load Factor n

Turn Angle ψ

Turn Rate $\omega = d\psi/dt$

Sustained Turn – turning while maintaining the same velocity and altitude $P_s = 0$

Sustained Corner Velocity – speed for highest turn rate while maintaining velocity and altitude

Instantaneous Turn – turning and not maintaining the same velocity and altitude $P_s \neq 0$

Corner Velocity – speed for highest turn rate

Sustained Turn

Sustained Turn – turning while maintaining the same velocity and altitude

$$P_s = 0$$

$$(n_{\max})_{\text{sust}} = \sqrt{\frac{q}{K (W/S)} \left[\frac{T}{W} - \frac{q C_{D0}}{(W/S)} \right]} = \left(\frac{T}{W} \right) \left(\frac{L}{D} \right)_{\max}$$

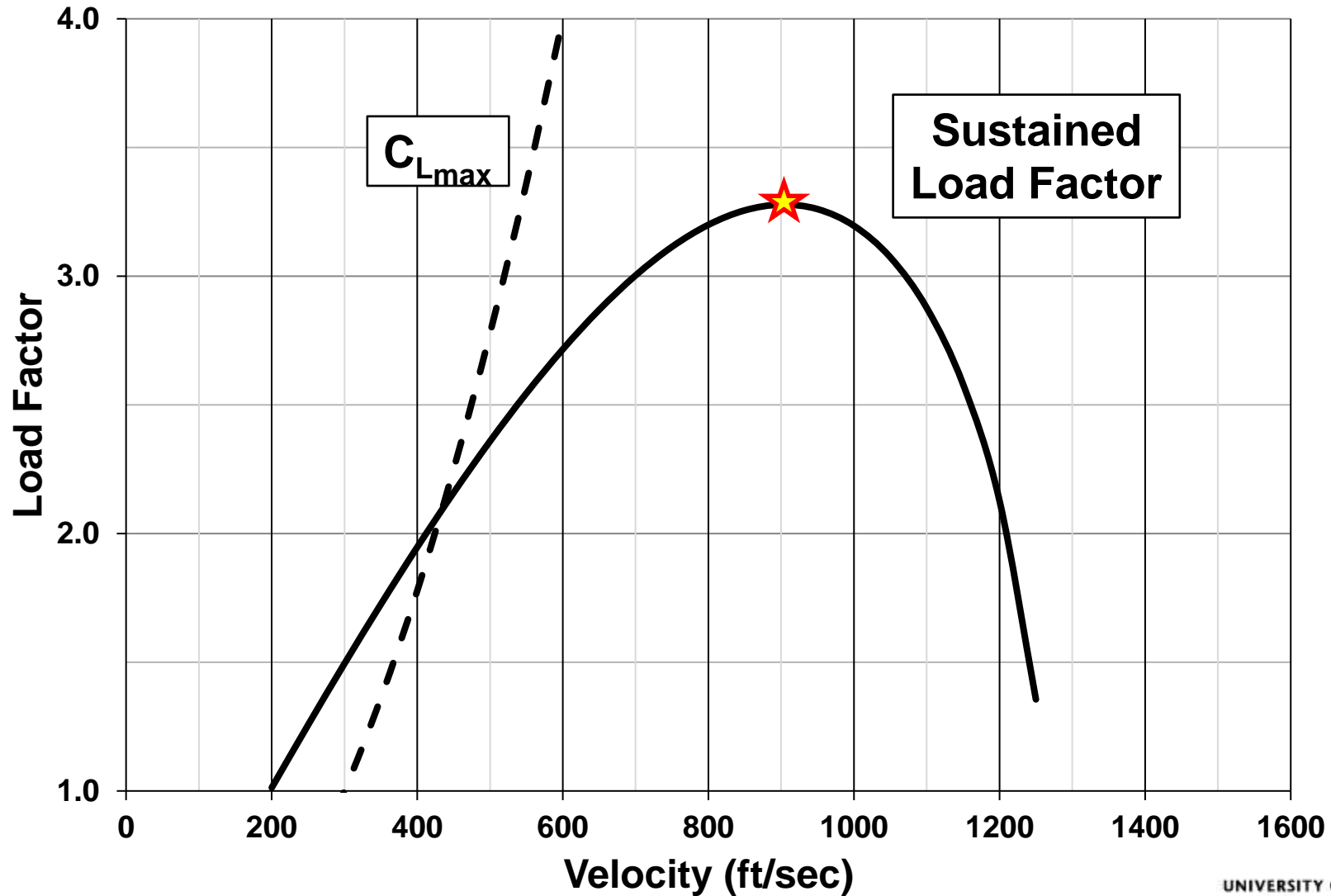
$$V_{(n_{\max})_{\text{sust}}} = \left(\frac{2}{\rho} \sqrt{\frac{K}{C_{D0}}} \frac{n W}{S} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$(n_{\max})_{C_{L\max}} = \frac{q C_{L\max}}{(W/S)}$$

Sustained Turn

CDO	0.0150	Wt	65,000	lb	CLmax	1.2			
K	0.08	Alt	20,000	ft	(n)max	4.5			
		rho	0.00126642						
W/S	68.42	QMS	680.7		(L/D)max	14.43			
		a	1036.85359	ft/sec	(T/W)max	0.2271			
TA(SL)	13850	S	950	sq ft	(n)sust	3.2773	g's		
# engines	2	DR	0.5328		V (n)sust	904.3	ft/sec		
TA(SL)	27700		14759						
T/W	0.4262		0.2271						
Vel (fps)	q	n	CL	CD	D (lb)	T (lb)	L/D	(L/D)(T/W)	n(CLmax)
100	6.33	0.5109	5.5211	2.4536	14759	14759	2.25	0.5109	0.1110
150	14.25	0.7634	3.6665	1.0905	14759	14759	3.36	0.7634	0.2499
200	25.33	1.0124	2.7350	0.6134	14759	14759	4.46	1.0124	0.4442
250	39.57	1.2565	2.1725	0.3926	14759	14759	5.53	1.2565	0.6941
300	56.99	1.4946	1.7945	0.2726	14759	14759	6.58	1.4946	0.9994
350	77.56	1.7252	1.5219	0.2003	14759	14759	7.60	1.7252	1.3603
400	101.31	1.9471	1.3151	0.1533	14759	14759	8.58	1.9471	1.7768
450	128.22	2.1587	1.1520	0.1212	14759	14759	9.51	2.1587	2.2487
500	158.29	2.3585	1.0195	0.0981	14759	14759	10.39	2.3585	2.7762
550	191.53	2.5448	0.9091	0.0811	14759	14759	11.21	2.5448	3.3592
600	227.94	2.7156	0.8151	0.0682	14759	14759	11.96	2.7156	3.9977
650	267.51	2.8689	0.7338	0.0581	14759	14759	12.64	2.8689	4.6918
700	310.25	3.0024	0.6621	0.0501	14759	14759	13.22	3.0024	5.4414
750	356.16	3.1134	0.5981	0.0436	14759	14759	13.71	3.1134	6.2465
800	405.23	3.1988	0.5401	0.0383	14759	14759	14.09	3.1988	7.1071
850	457.47	3.2549	0.4868	0.0340	14759	14759	14.34	3.2549	8.0232
900	512.87	3.2771	0.4372	0.0303	14759	14759	14.43	3.2771	8.9949
950	571.44	3.2597	0.3903	0.0272	14759	14759	14.36	3.2597	10.0221
1000	633.17	3.1950	0.3453	0.0245	14759	14759	14.07	3.1950	11.1048
1050	698.07	3.0724	0.3011	0.0223	14759	14759	13.53	3.0724	12.2431
1100	766.14	2.8760	0.2568	0.0203	14759	14759	12.67	2.8760	13.4369
1150	837.37	2.5790	0.2107	0.0186	14759	14759	11.36	2.5790	14.6862
1200	911.77	2.1273	0.1596	0.0170	14759	14759	9.37	2.1273	15.9910
1250	989.33	1.3554	0.0937	0.0157	14759	14759	5.97	1.3554	17.3513

Sustained Turn



Sustained Turn

F-22 turned 360 degrees in 21 seconds

$$\text{Turn Rate: } \omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V} = \frac{360 \text{ deg}}{21 \text{ sec}} = \mathbf{17 \text{ deg/sec}}$$

$$\text{Turn Radius: } R = \frac{mV^2}{L \sin \phi} = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$$

$$R = \frac{V}{\omega} = \frac{325 \text{ NM/hr}}{17 \text{ deg/sec}} = \mathbf{1,850 \text{ ft} \cong 0.35 \text{ mile}}$$

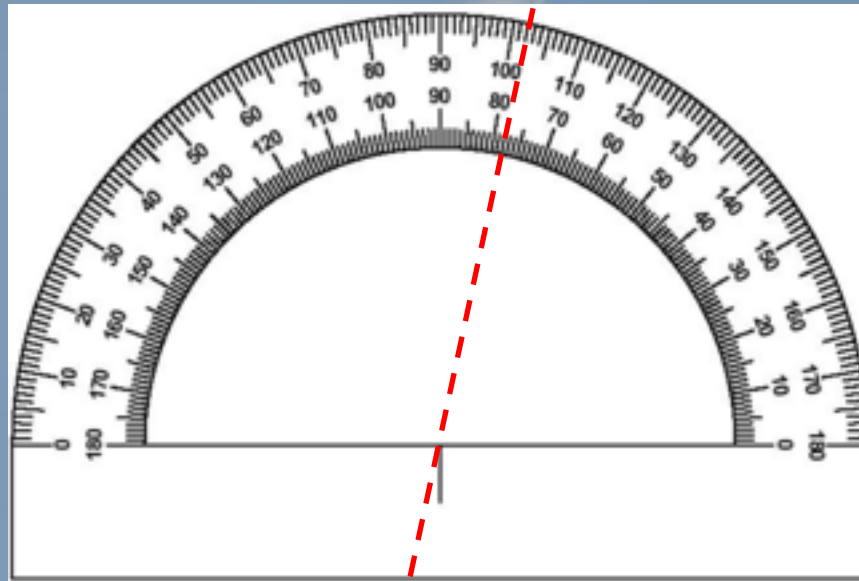
$$n = \sqrt{1 + \frac{V^2 \omega^2}{g^2}} = \mathbf{5.16 \text{ g's}} \quad \phi = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \mathbf{78.8^\circ}$$

Video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n34RwIUlnAo&feature=related>

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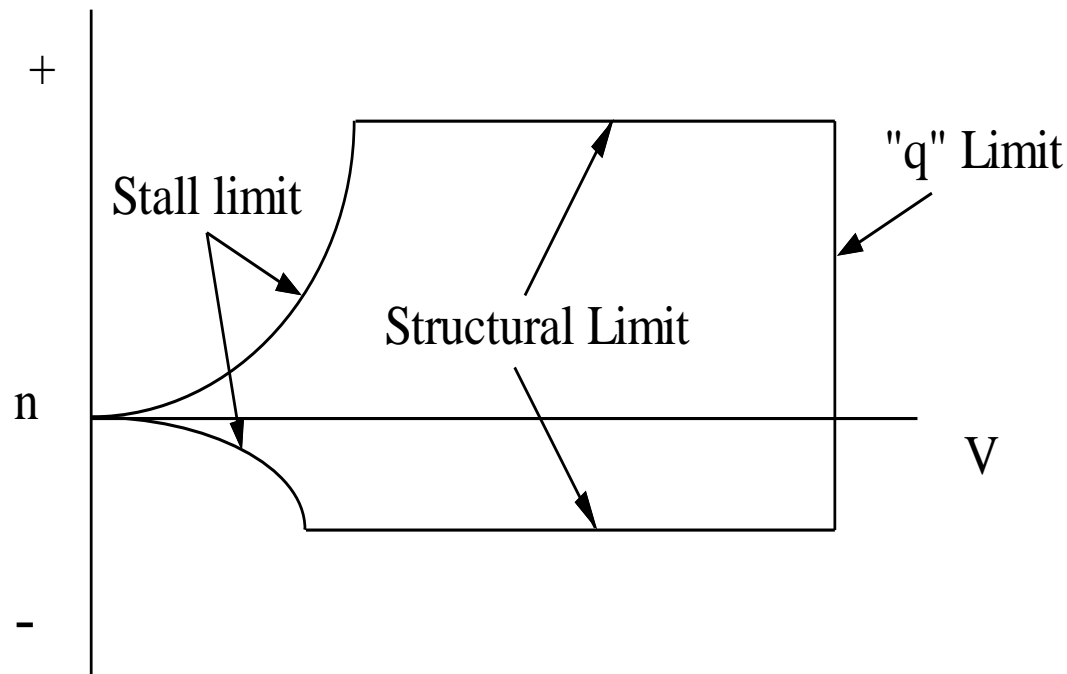
Instantaneous Turn

Instantaneous Turn – turning and not maintaining the same velocity and altitude

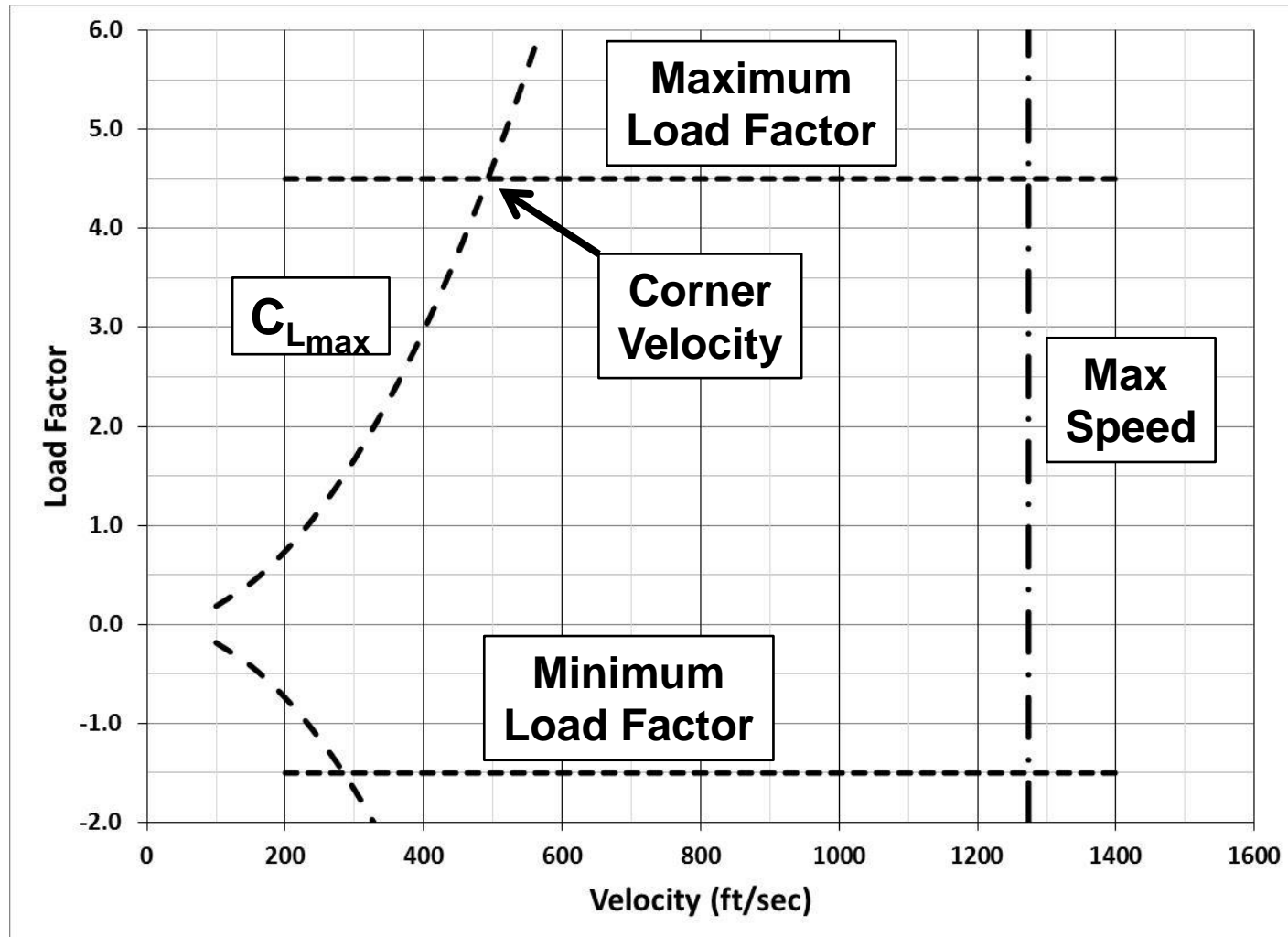
$$P_s \neq 0$$

V - n Diagram – Plot of Load Factor vs Velocity

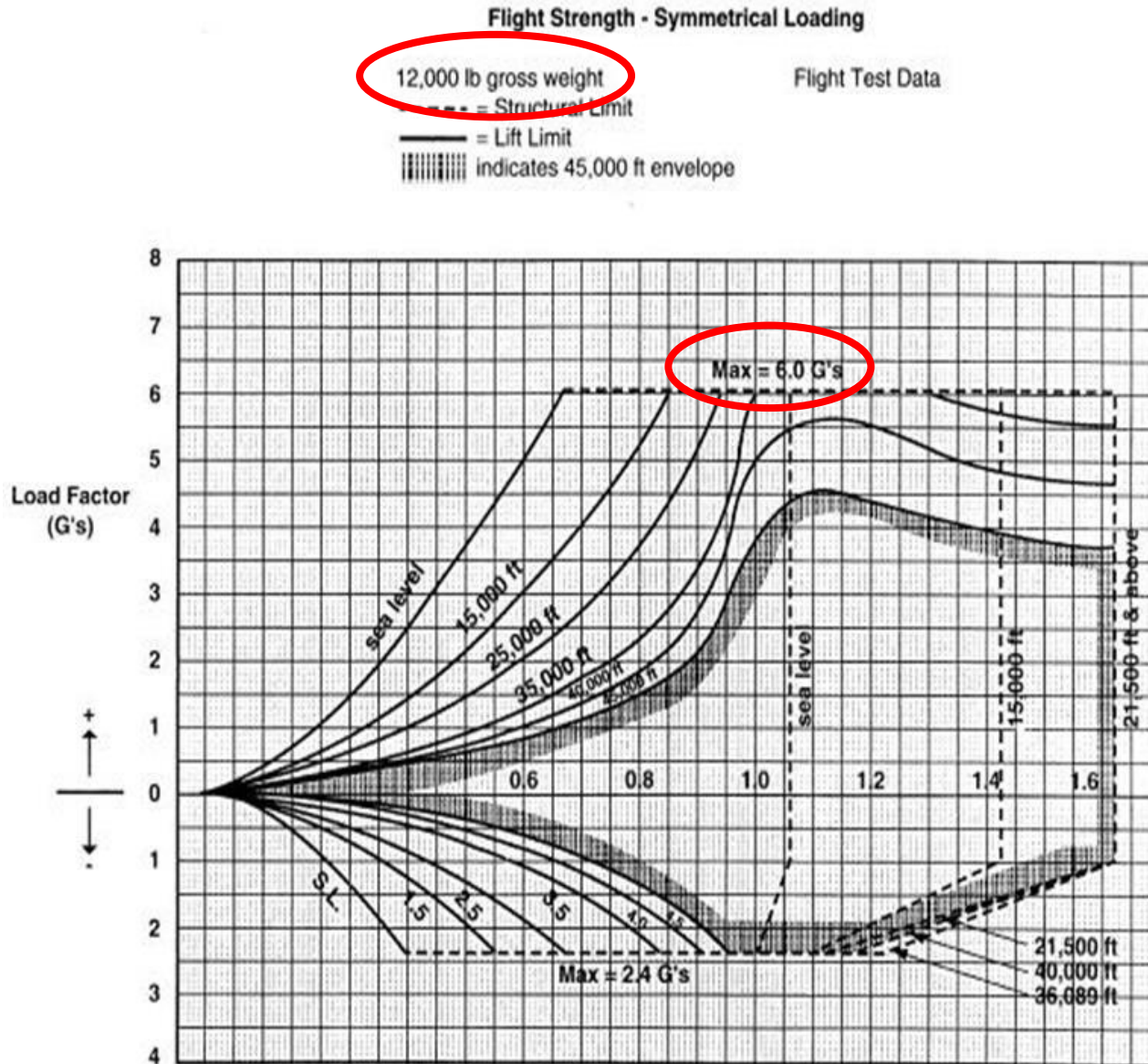
- Establishes the aircraft maneuver boundaries
- Includes limit load factor and maximum lift



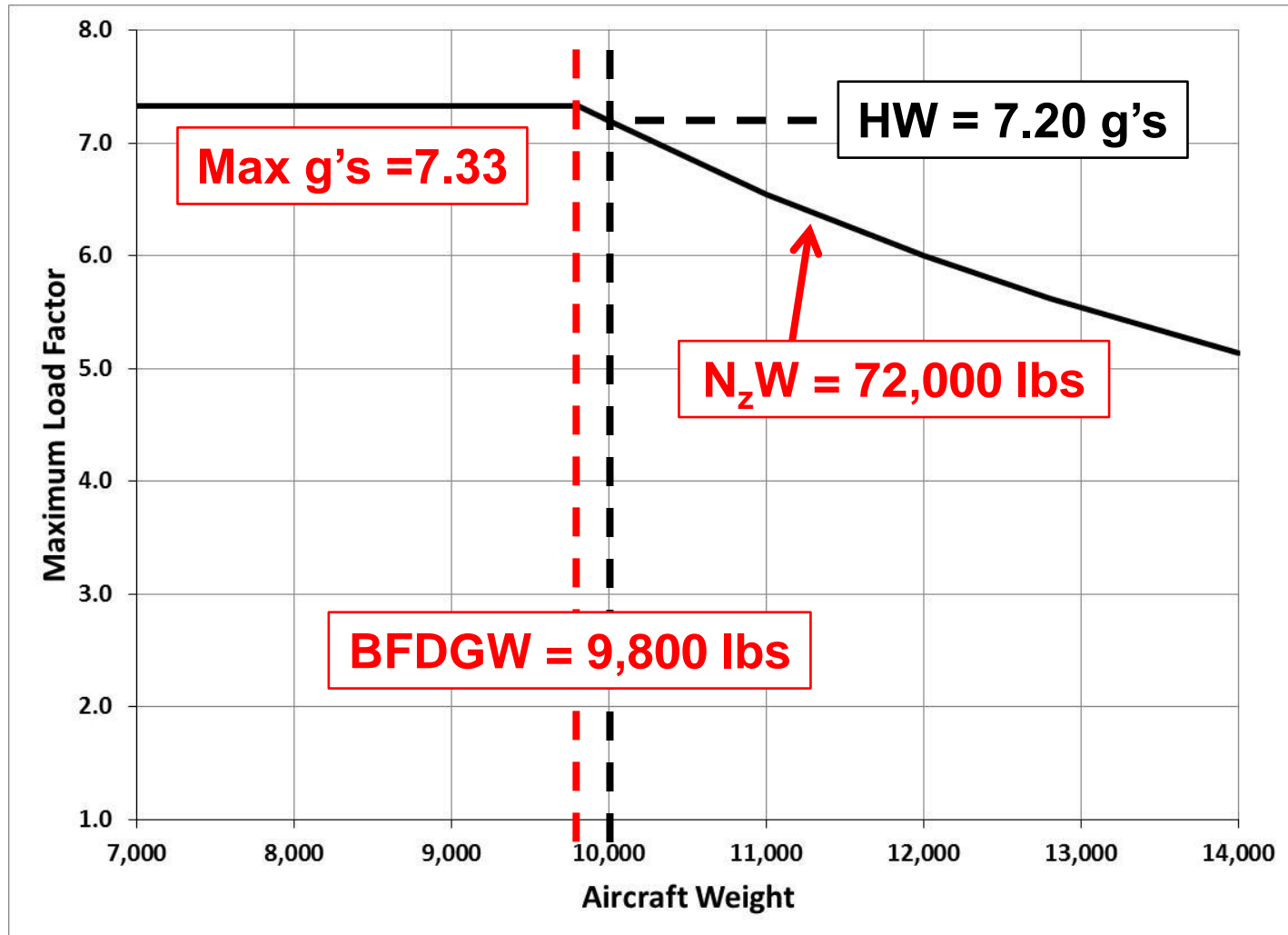
Instantaneous Turn



Instantaneous Turn



Instantaneous Turn - N_zW



Turning Flight Summary

Turn Radius: $R = \frac{mV^2}{L \sin \phi} = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$ (usually in ft)

Turn Rate: $\omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$ (calculated as rad/sec, but usually expressed as deg/sec)

Sustained Turn:

$$(n_{\max})_{\text{sust}} = \sqrt{\frac{q}{K (W/S)} \left[\frac{T}{W} - \frac{q C_{D0}}{(W/S)} \right]} = \left(\frac{T}{W} \right) \left(\frac{L}{D} \right)_{\max}$$

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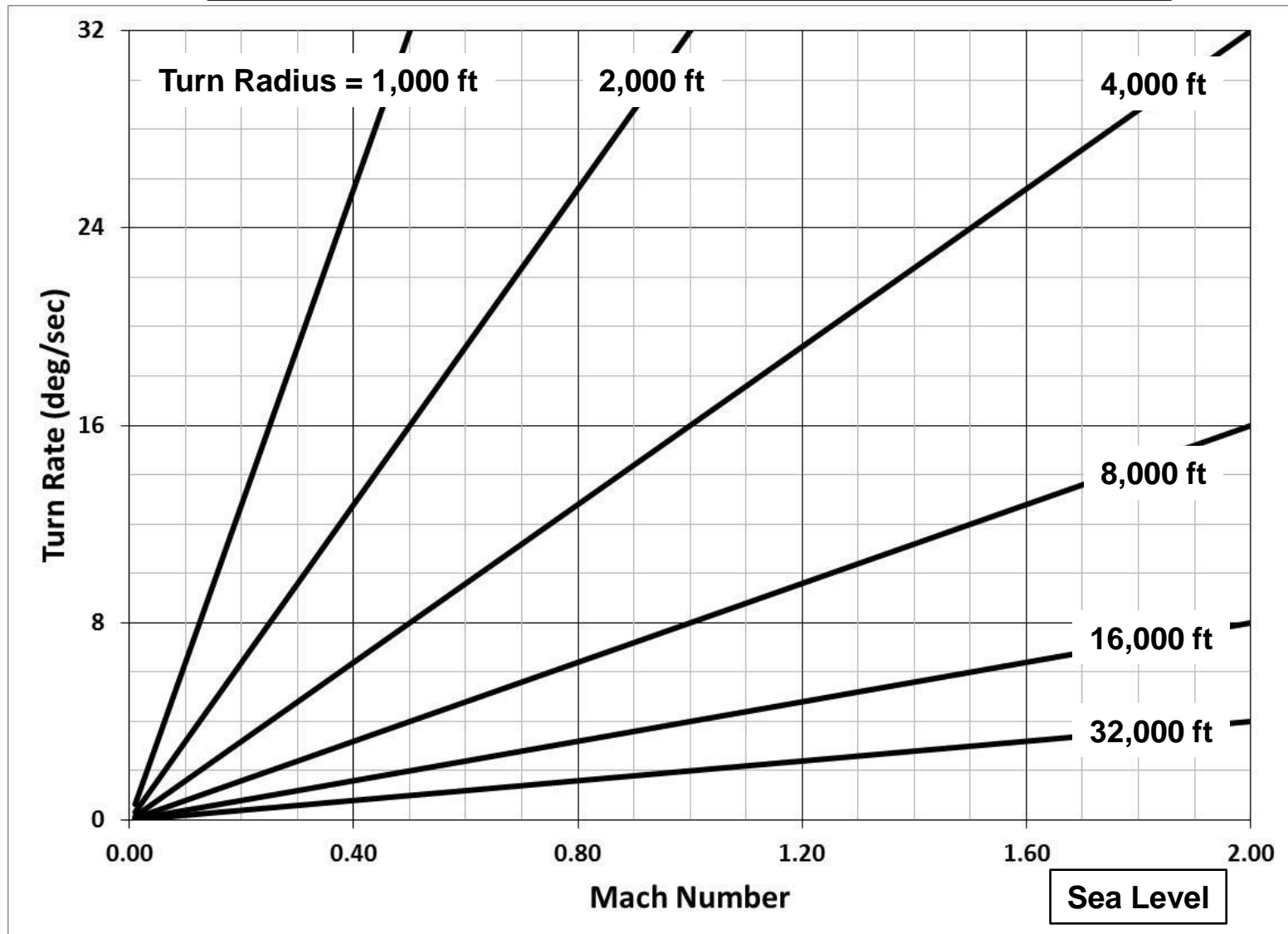
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Maneuver Diagram

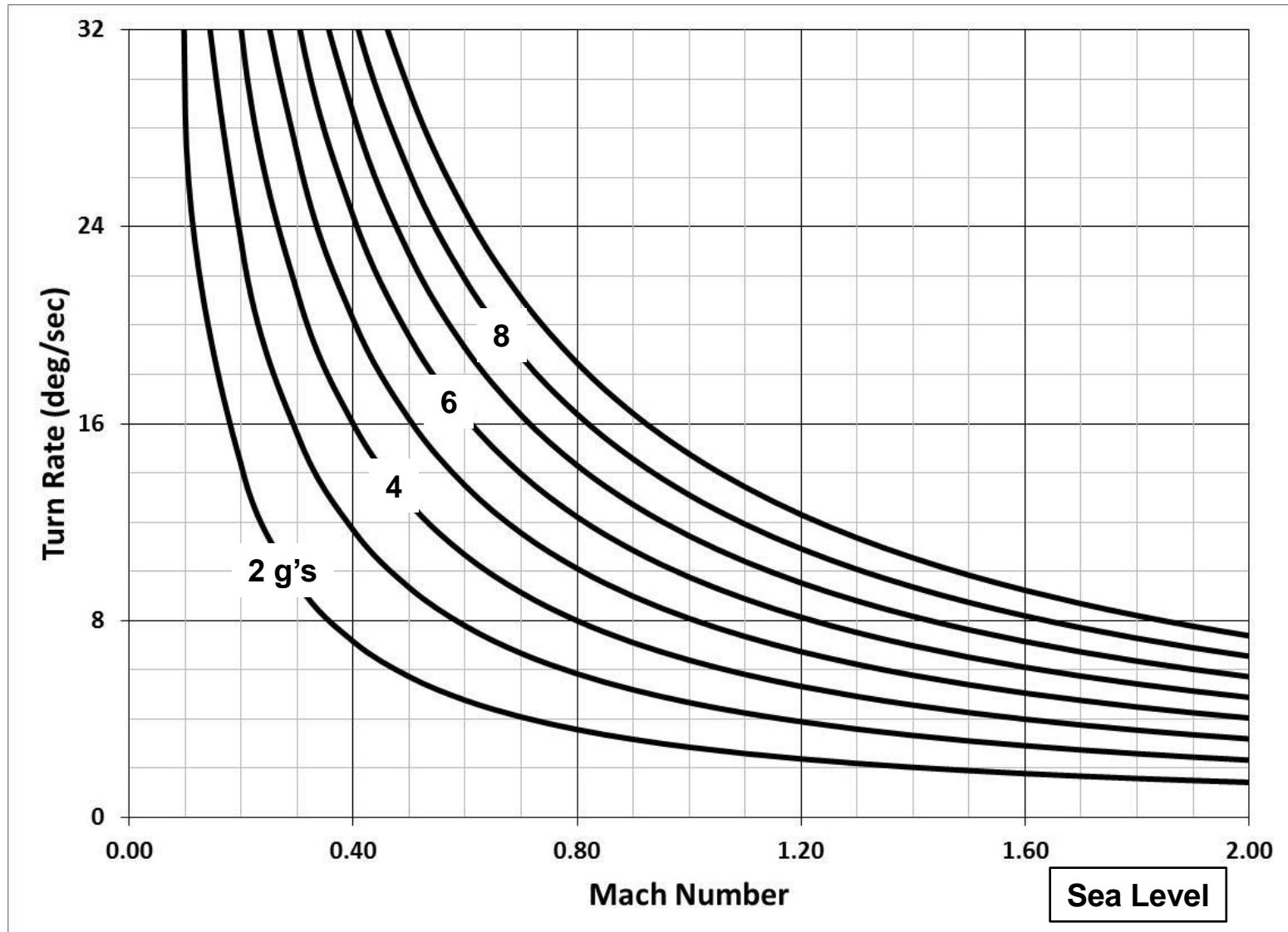
Plot of Turn Rate vs Velocity at a given altitude

- Establishes the aircraft maneuver boundaries
- Includes max g's, max lift, and max speed
- Includes load factor and turn radius levels
- Shows instantaneous and sustained envelopes
- Shows various P_s contours
- Used by fighter pilots for training

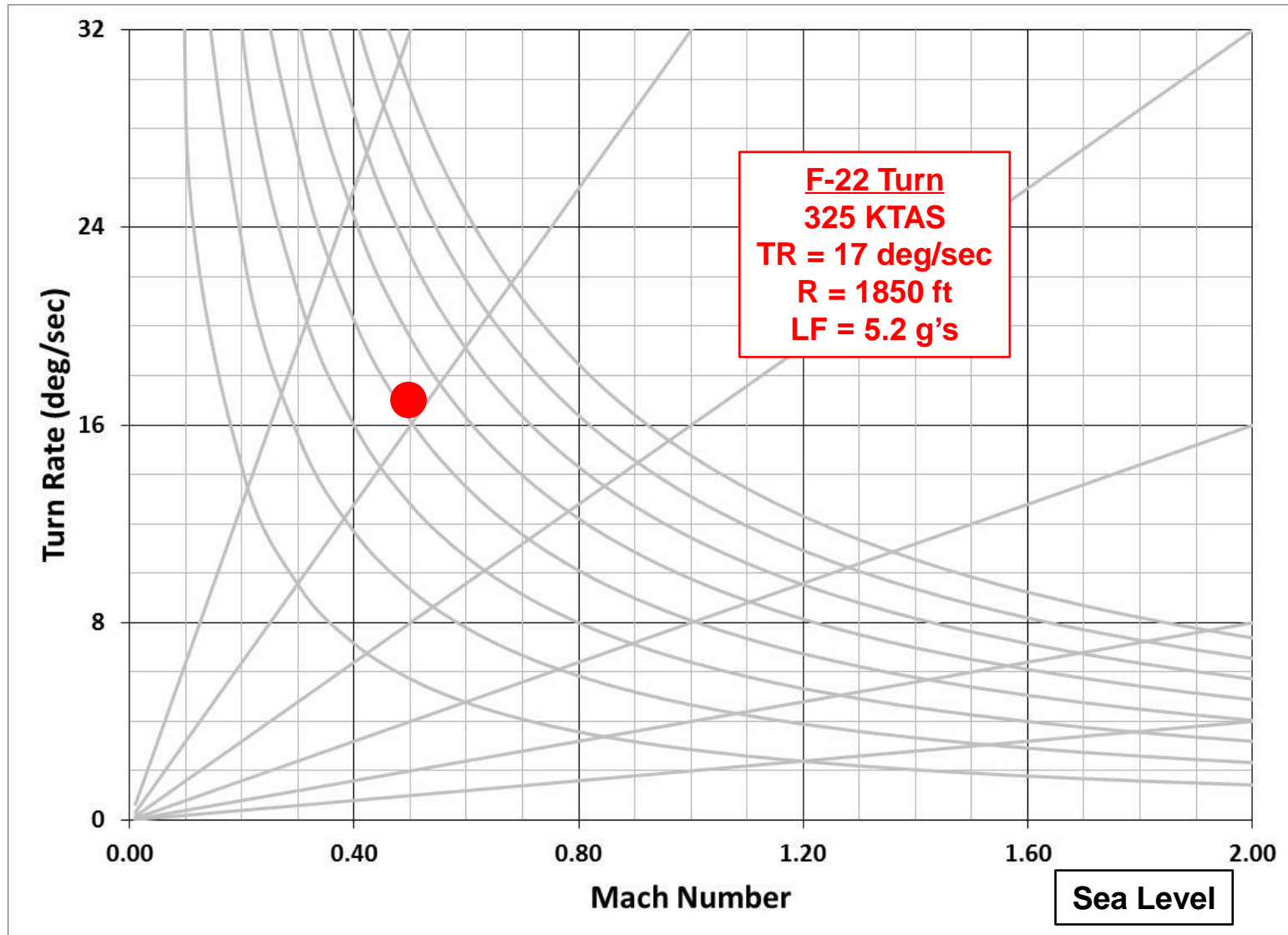
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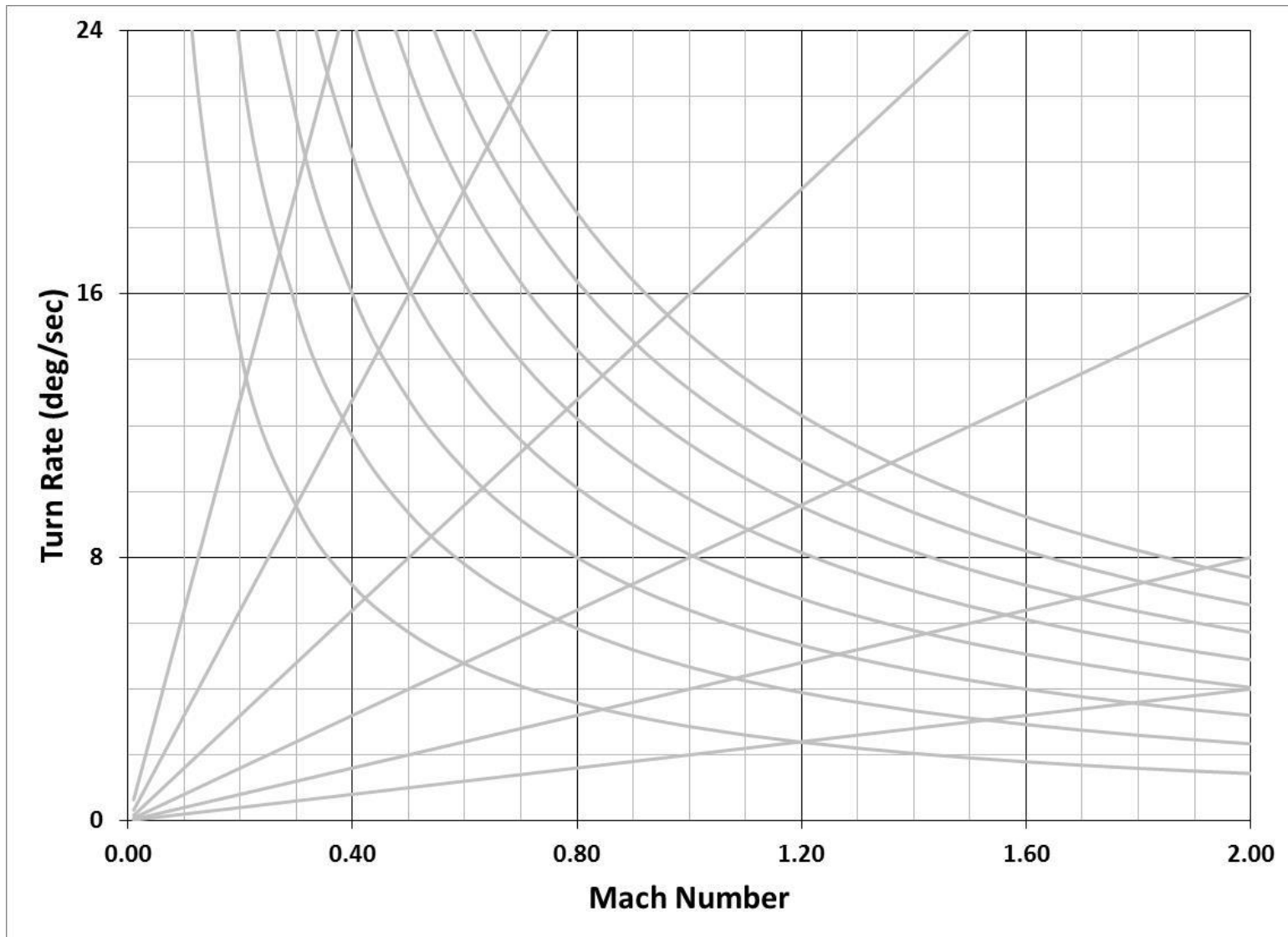


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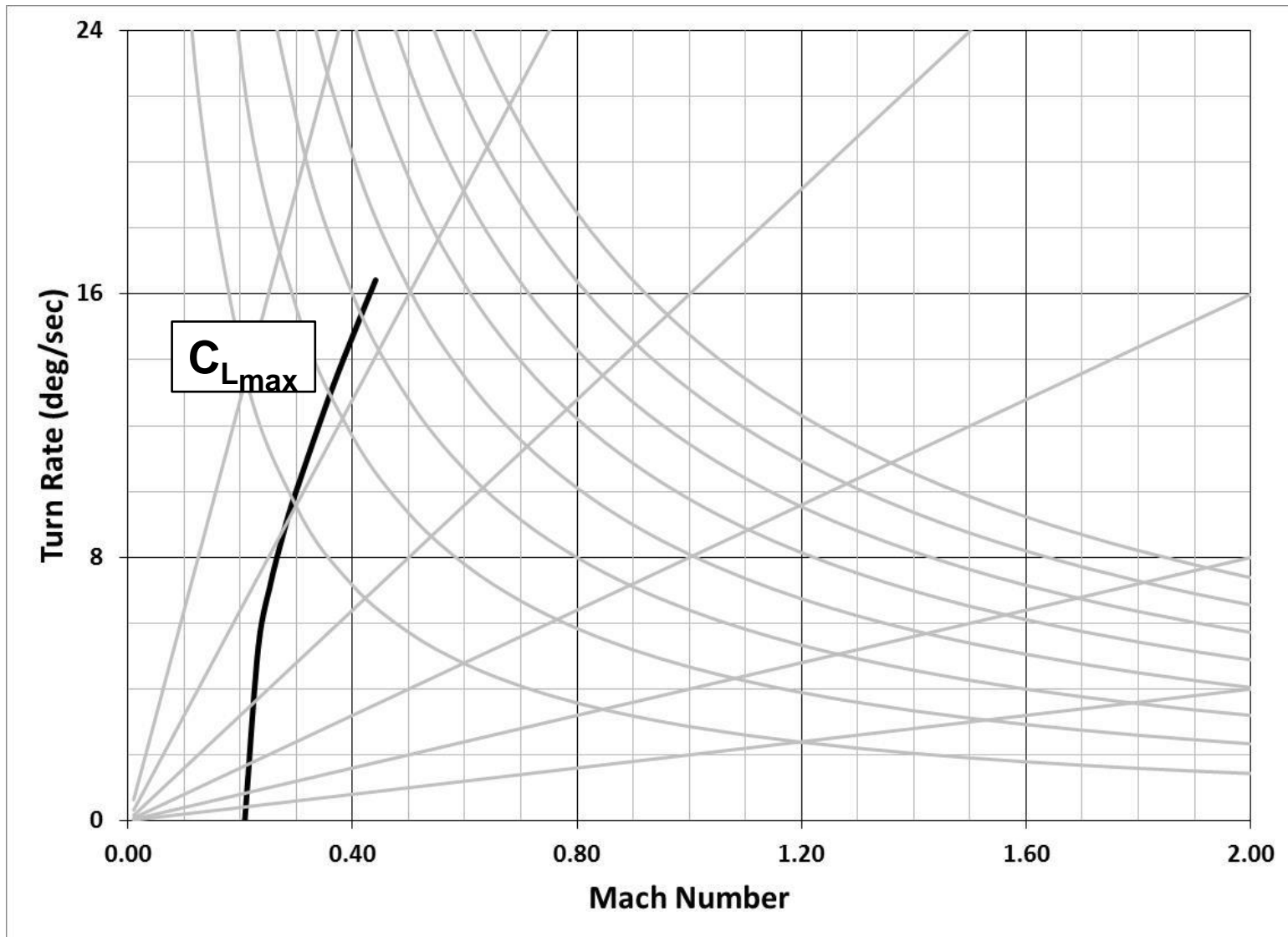
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G-IV Example



Maneuver Diagram

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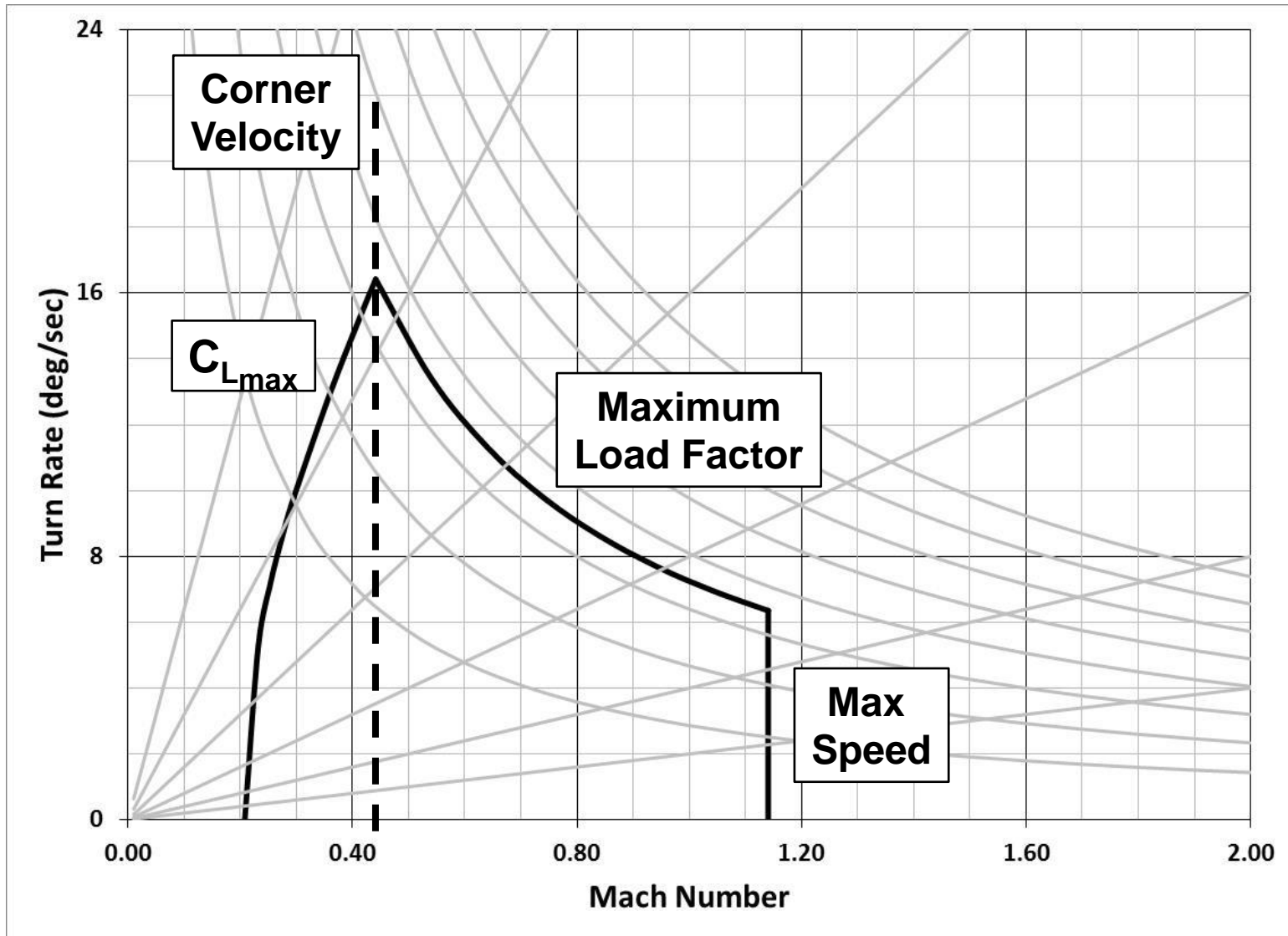


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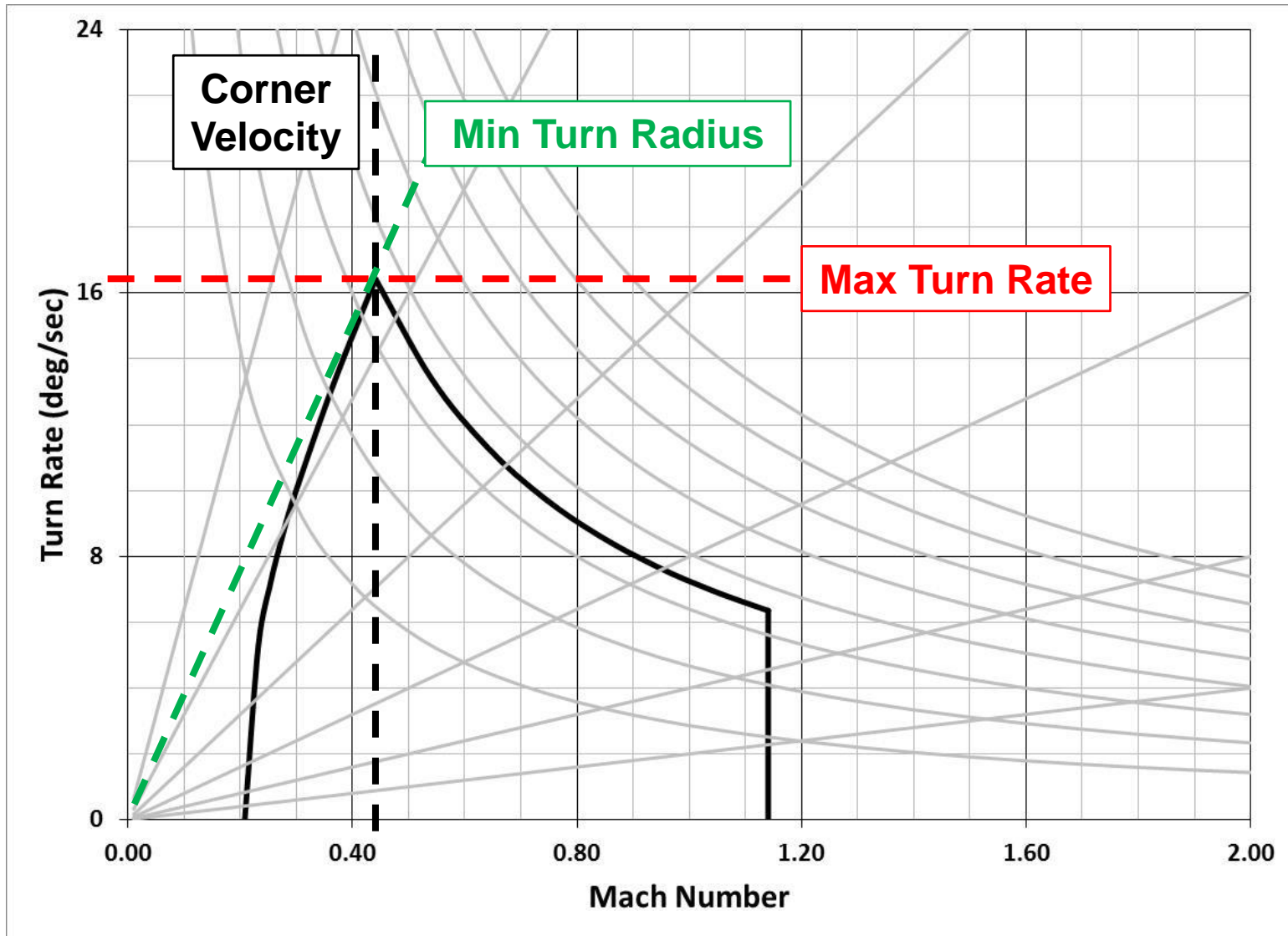
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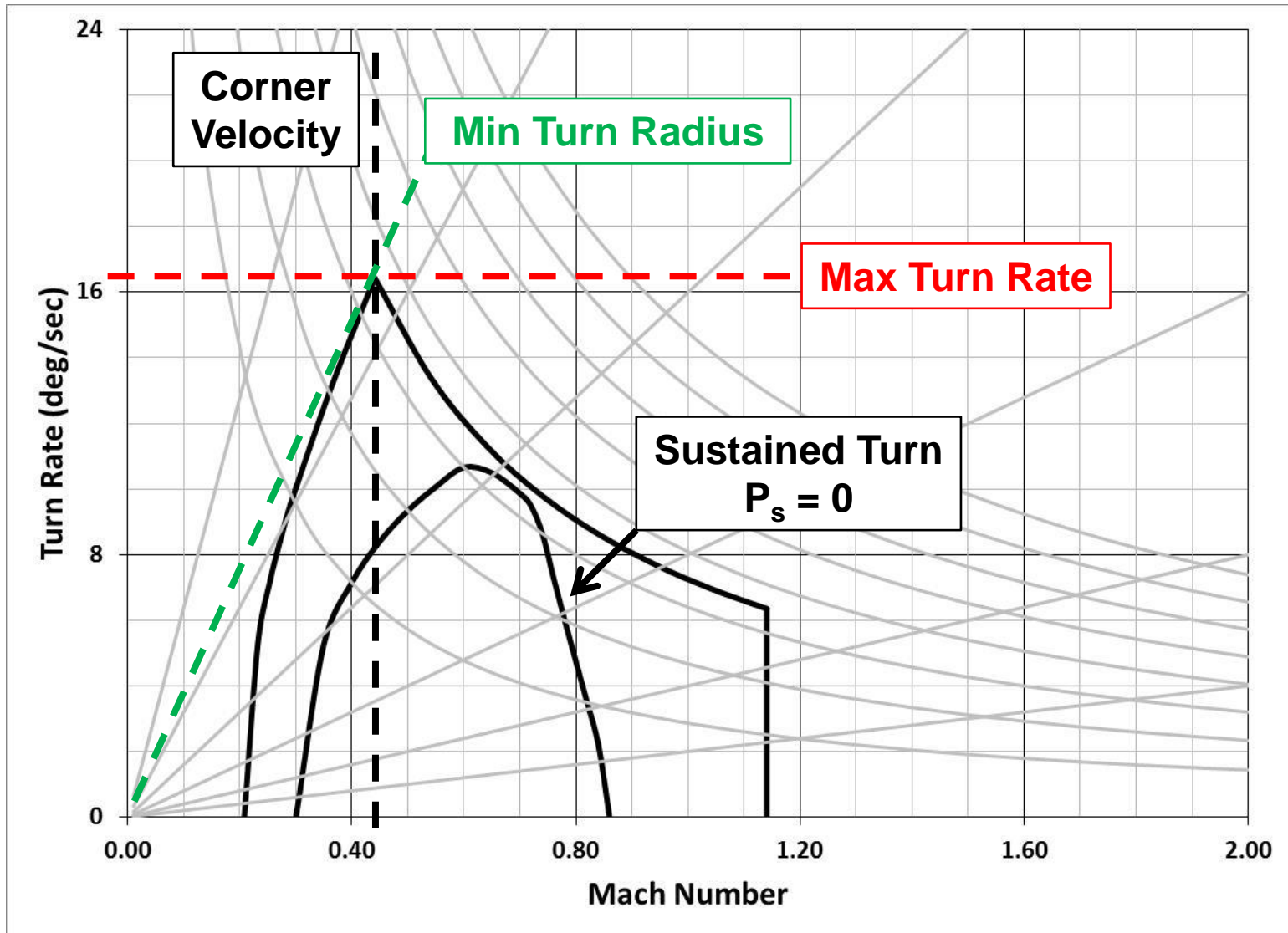
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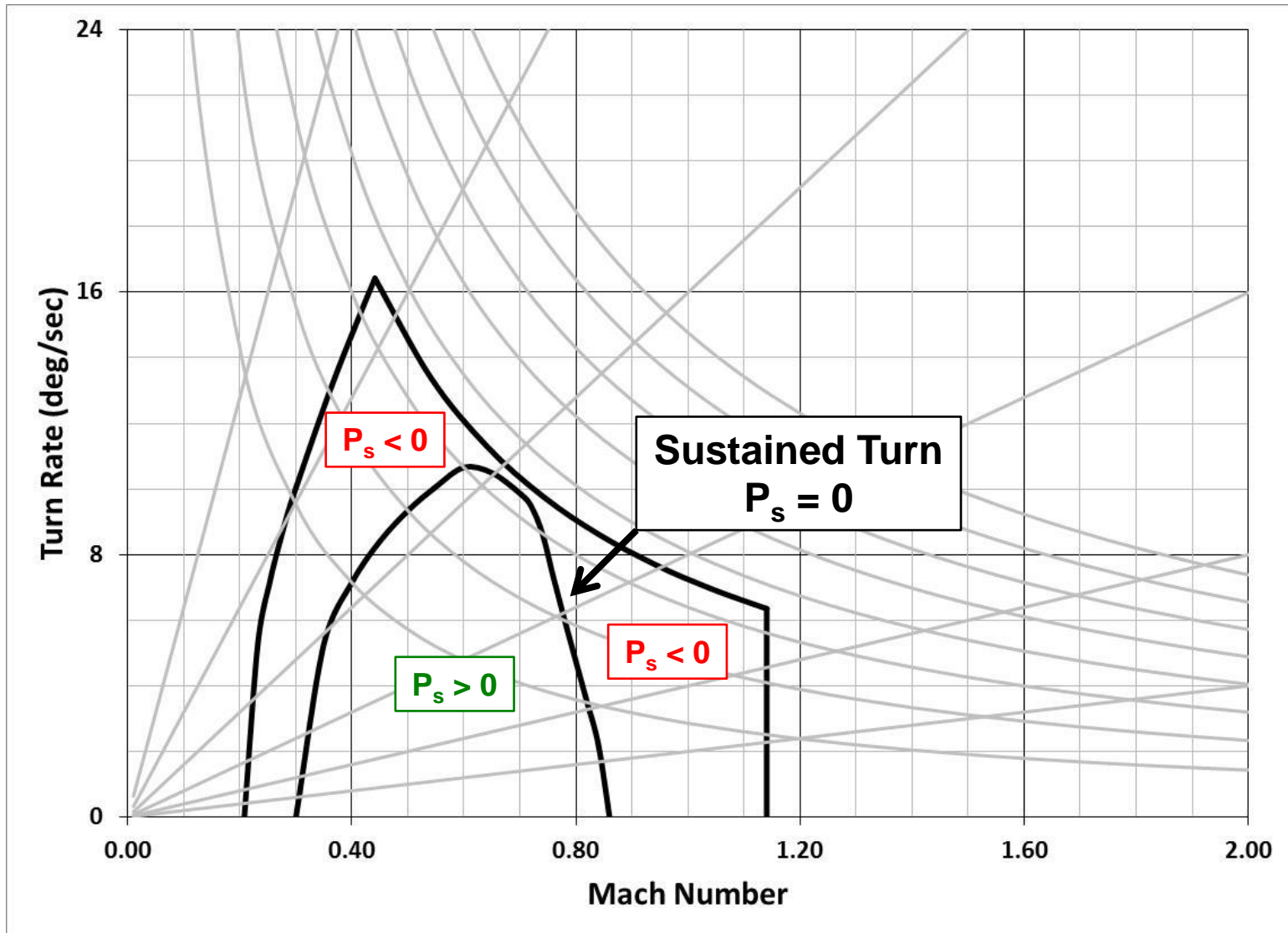
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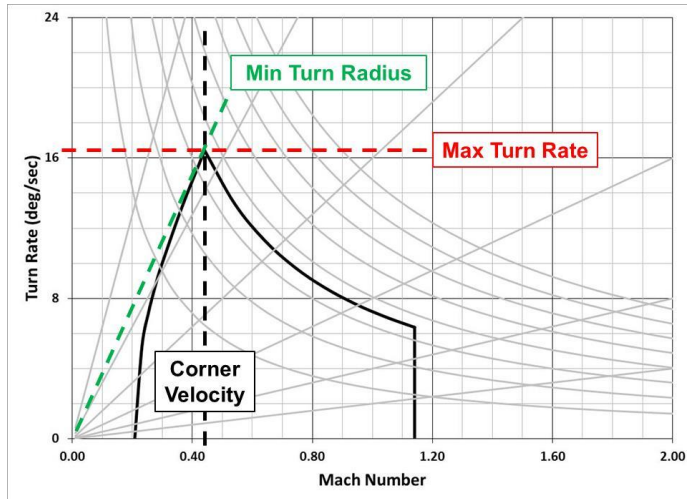


Maneuver Diagram

G-IV Example



Maneuver Calculations



Corner Velocity

$$V_{\text{corner}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 n_{\text{max}} (W/S)}{\rho C_{L_{\text{max}}}}}$$

CD0	0.0150	Wt	73,000 lb	CLmax	1.20
K	0.08	Alt	0 ft	Vmax	1.14 Mach
Thrust	27,700	QMS	1481.4 lb/sqft	Max g	4.5 g's
W/S	76.84	rho	0.00237688 slugs/ft^3		
T/W	0.3795	a	1116.45 ft/sec		
		S	950 sq ft		
Maximum Turn Rate & Minimum Turn Radius					
Corner Velocity		492.4 ft/sec			
		0.4410 Mach			
Max Turn Rate		16.43 deg/sec			
Min Turn Radius		1718 ft			

Turn Rate

$$\omega = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$$

Turn Radius

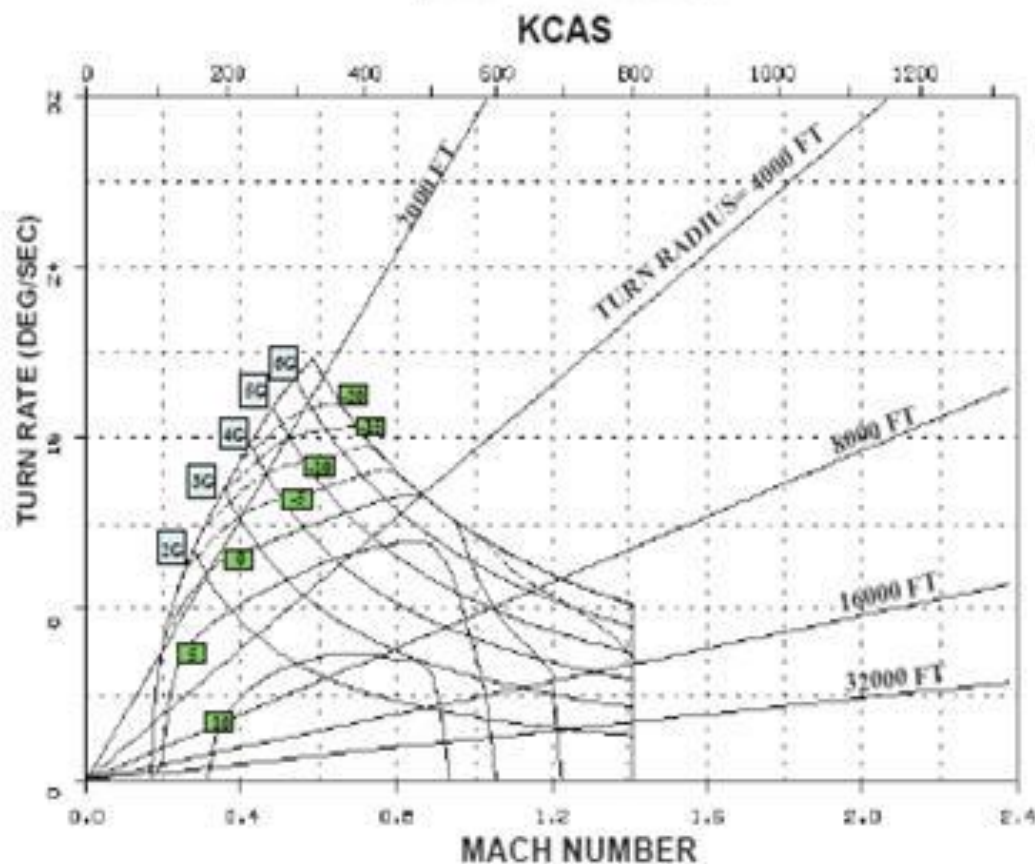
$$R = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$$

F-15A - 100



TURN RATE VS MACH

(Contours in KCAS/sec)



ALT = 10000.
WEIGHT = 40520.

CONFIGURATION

75% Internal Fuel
2 Aim-9
2 Aim-120
1 Aim-7
CL Pylon, Wing Pylons
4 LAU-128
Vmax On

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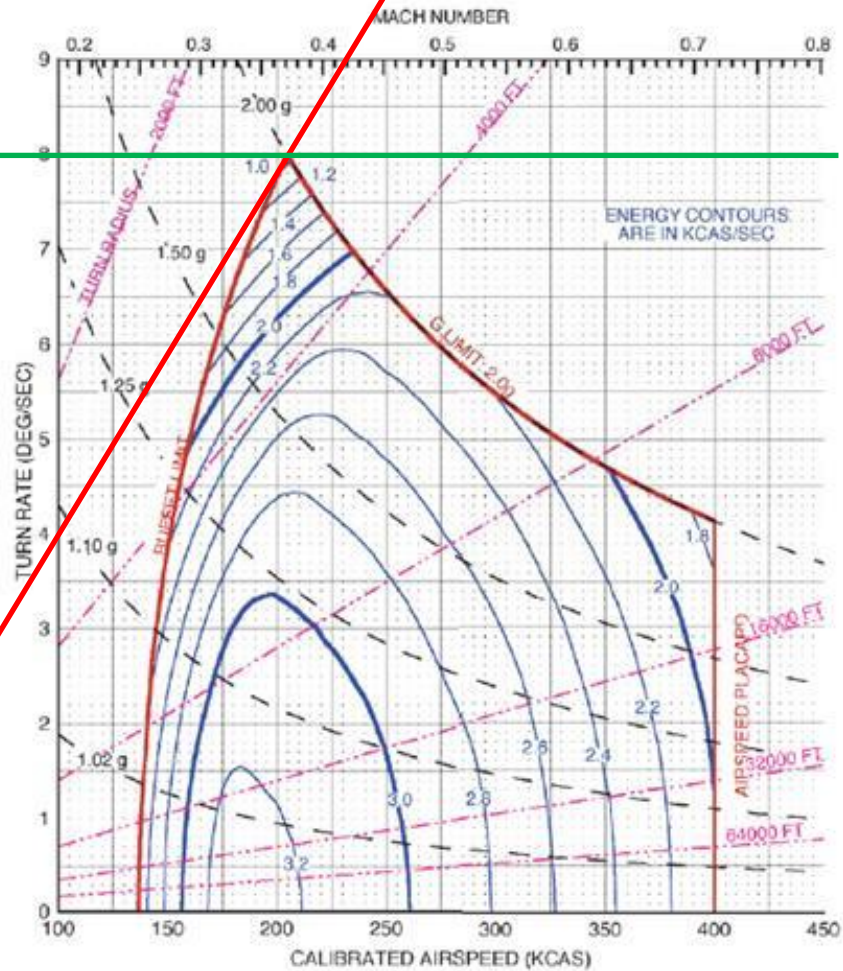
B-52 EM Diagram, GW 300,000 lbs, Altitude 10,000 Feet, Clean

- 8 ENGINES
- MILITARY RATED THRUST
- STANDARD DAY

- FLAPS UP
- GEAR UP

ENERGY CONTOURS

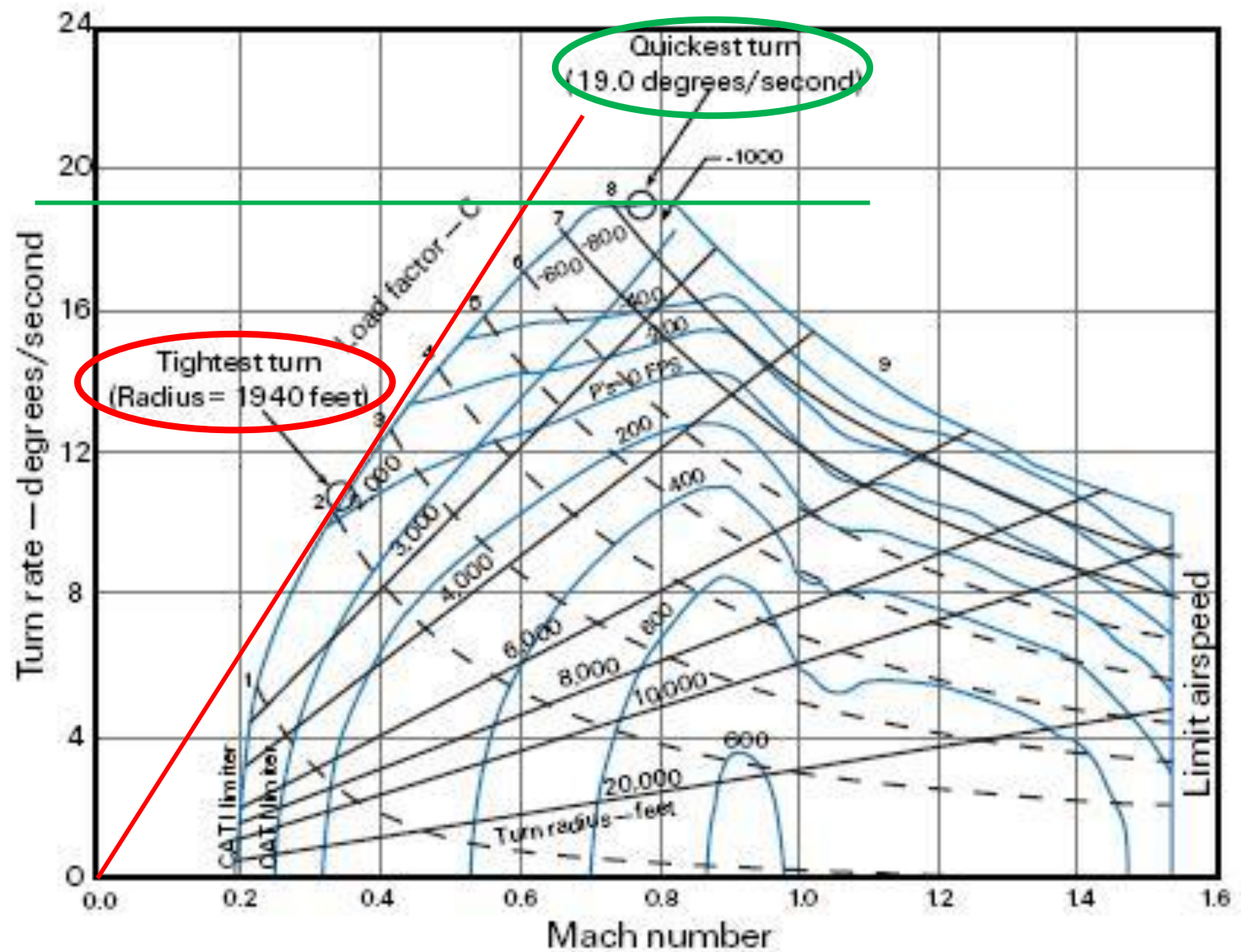
Gross Weight: 300,000 LB
Altitude: 10,000 FT
No External Weapons



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Turn performance — 15,000 feet

Drag index — 0



Homework

Sustained Turn: $P_s = 0$

$$(n_{\max})_{\text{sust}} = \sqrt{\frac{q}{K (W/S)} \left[\frac{T}{W} - \frac{q C_{D0}}{(W/S)} \right]} = \left(\frac{T}{W} \right) \left(\frac{L}{D} \right)_{\max}$$

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Turn Radius:
$$R = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$$

Turn Rate:
$$\omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$$

Homework

Instantaneous Turn: $P_s \neq 0$

**Corner Velocity: speed for highest turn rate
slowest speed for max g**

$$V_{\text{corner}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 n_{\text{max}} (W/S)}{\rho C_{L_{\text{max}}}}} \quad \phi = \arccos\left(\frac{1}{n_{\text{max}}}\right)$$

Turn Radius:
$$R = \frac{V^2}{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}$$

Turn Rate:
$$\omega = \frac{V}{R} = \frac{g \sqrt{n^2 - 1}}{V}$$

Homework

To calculate P_s at a given flight condition (M , h , g 's):

1. Calculate thrust $T_A = T_{SL} \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_{SL}} \right)$
2. Calculate drag $C_L = \frac{nW}{qS}$ $C_D = C_{D_0} + K C_L^2$ $D = C_D q S$
3. Calculate velocity (ft/sec)

$$P_s = \frac{(T - D) V}{W}$$

Homework Assignment

HW #14 – Maneuver

(due by 11:59 pm ET on Monday, March 6)

Reading – Chapters 6.1 - 6.4

HW Help Session

Monday 4:00 – 5:00 pm ET

Posted on Canvas

**HW #14 Assignment with instructions, tips,
and checklist**

HW #14 Template for data table in Excel

Questions?