

# Conventional A/c Dynamics

## Longitudinal

Altitude  
Airspeed  
Pitch

## Lateral-Directional

Roll  
Yaw  
Sideslip  
Turning

density  $\rho$     airspeed  $V_a$     wing Area  $S$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_a^2 S C_L$$

$$D = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_a^2 S C_D$$

$$M = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_a^2 S c C_m$$

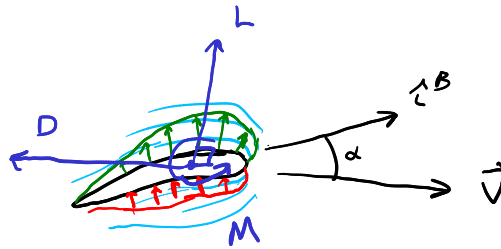
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$C_L(\alpha, q, \delta_e)$  nonlinear  
 $C_D(\alpha, q, \delta_e)$   
 $C_m(\alpha, q, \delta_e)$



Lift  
Drag  
(Pitch Moment)

Lift



1st order Taylor Series of  $C_L(\alpha, q, \delta_e)$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_a^2 S \left( C_{L_0} + \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \alpha} \alpha + \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial q} q + \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \delta_e} \delta_e \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \rho V_a^2 S \left( C_{L_0} + C_{L_\alpha} \alpha + C_{L_q} \underbrace{\frac{c}{2V_a} q}_{\hat{q}} + C_{L_{\delta_e}} \delta_e \right)$$

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Nondimensional  
Stability Derivative

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Nondim. control derivative

## Stability Derivatives

- based linear assumptions / linearization
- Main tool connecting aerodynamics to dynamics
- Functions of A/c geometry

### Example

Pitch Stiffness  $C_{m\alpha}$

$$\ddot{\alpha} \approx \frac{k C_{m\alpha}}{I} \alpha$$

$$\ddot{x} = - \frac{k_{spring}}{m} x$$

- Only valid in a linear region e.g. small  $\alpha$



span

$$AR = \frac{b^2}{S}$$

Estimated Using

- Geometric Data
- Wind Tunnel
- Flight Test
- CFD
- Other Aircraft

eg.

$$C_{L\alpha} = \frac{\pi AR}{1 + \sqrt{1 + (AR/2)^2}}$$

# Drag

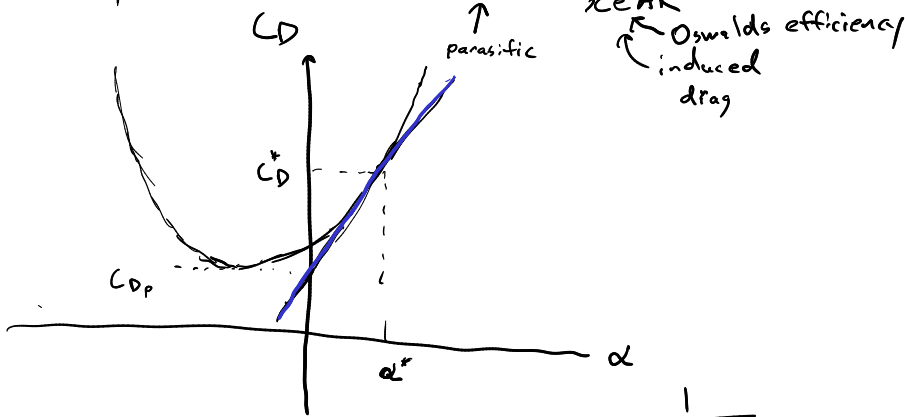
nonlinear

linearize

$\alpha$   
only

$$C_D(\alpha) = C_{D_p} + \frac{C_L(\alpha)^2}{\pi e AR}$$

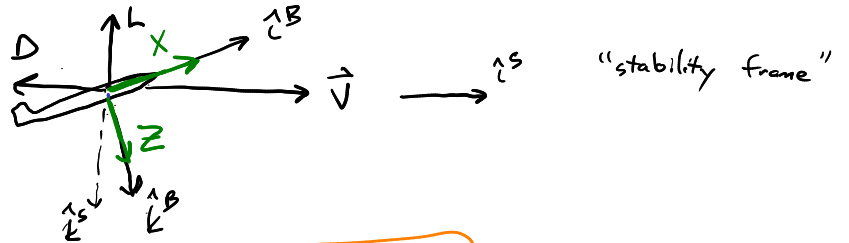
$$C_{D_0} + C_{D_\alpha} \alpha + C_{D_q} \hat{q} + C_{D_{\delta e}} \delta e$$



In this class:

$$K = \frac{1}{\pi e AR}$$

$$C_D = C_{D_{min}} + K (C_L(\alpha, q, \delta e) - C_{L_{min}})^2$$



aerodynamic  
forces  
in  $\hat{X}^B$  and  $\hat{Z}^B$

$$\begin{bmatrix} X \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -D \\ -L \end{bmatrix}$$

## Pitching Moment

$$M = \frac{1}{2} \rho V a^2 S c [C_{m_0} + C_{m_\alpha} \alpha + C_{m_q} \hat{q} + C_{m_{\delta e}} \delta e]$$

trim coefficient  
of moment

pitch  
stiffness  
coefficient

pitch  
damping  
coefficient