

AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE

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FLIGHT CONTROL SYSTEM

Principle of flight

Horizontal flight (elementary variable)

Longitudinal static stability

Steady flight

Coordinate system

Equation of motion - 6 degree of freedom

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Exercising

Non-linear longitudinal of motion

Principle of flight

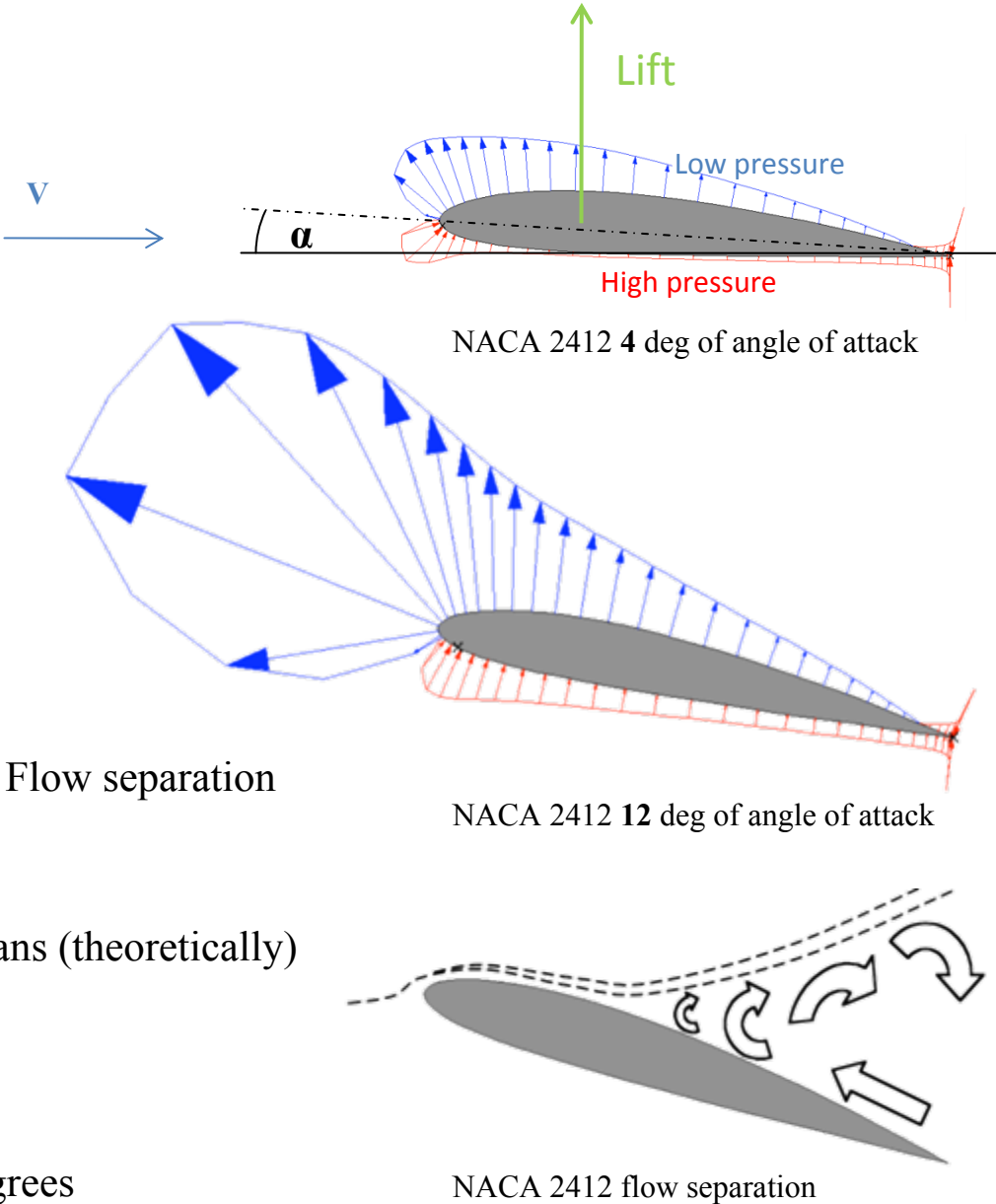
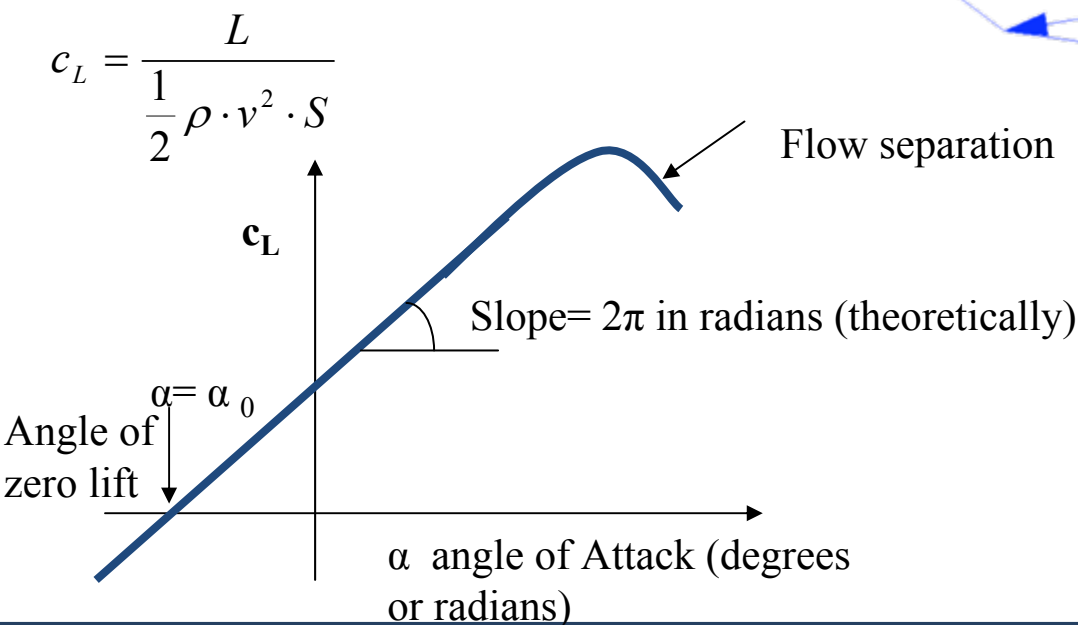
pressure lay out on foil

$$L' = \int_{\text{Leading Edge}}^{\text{Trailing Edge}} (p_{\text{lower side}} - p_{\text{upper side}}) dx$$

angle of attack α

air speed V

non-dimensional lift coefficient c_L



Horizontal flight (logitudinal plane)

engine thrust **T**

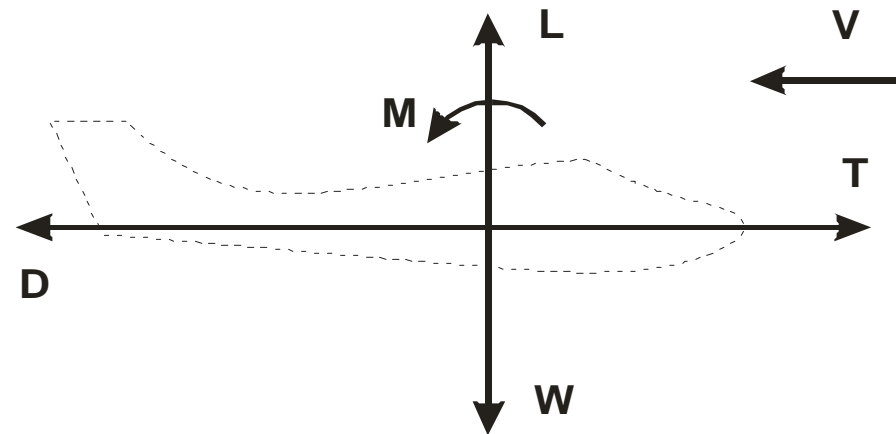
aerodynamic lift **L**

aerodynamic drag **D**

aerodynamic pitch moment **M**

weight of aircraft **W**

air speed **V**



Aerodynamic forces

Lift equation $L = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_L$

Drag equation $D = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_D$

Pitch moment equation $M = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot \bar{c} \cdot c_m$

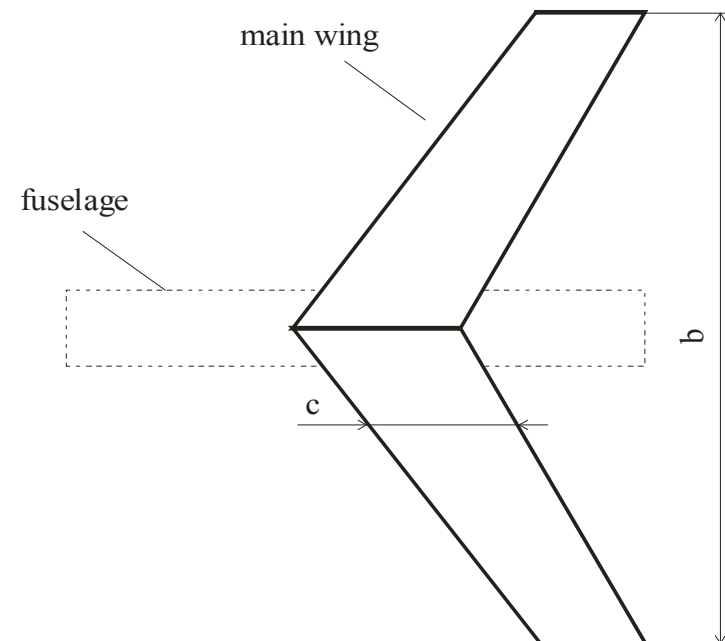
Where \bar{q} dynamic pressure $\bar{q} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot V^2$

ρ air density

b wing span

\bar{c} mean aerodynamic chord $\bar{c} = \int_{-b/2}^{b/2} c$

S wing area $\bar{c} \times b$





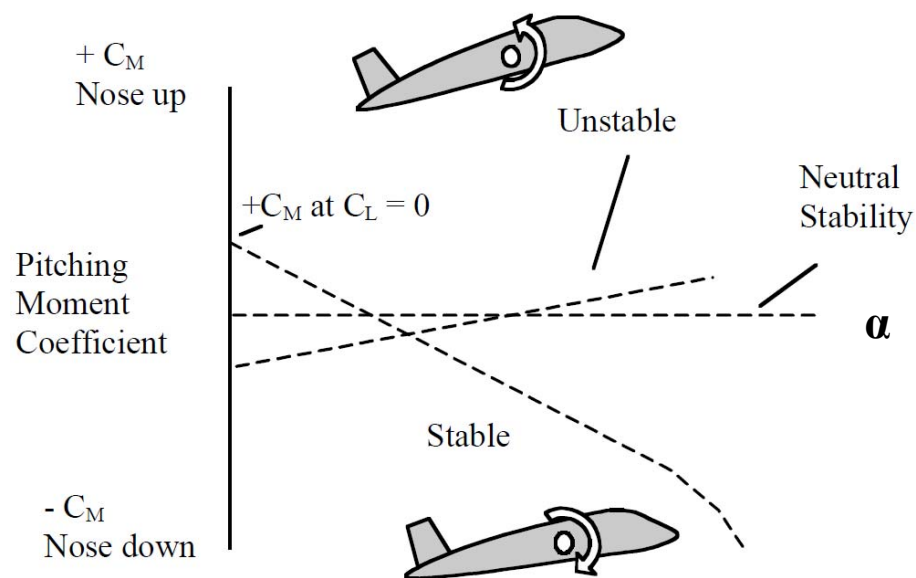
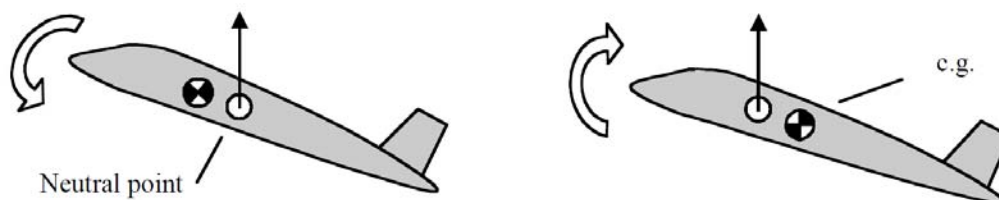
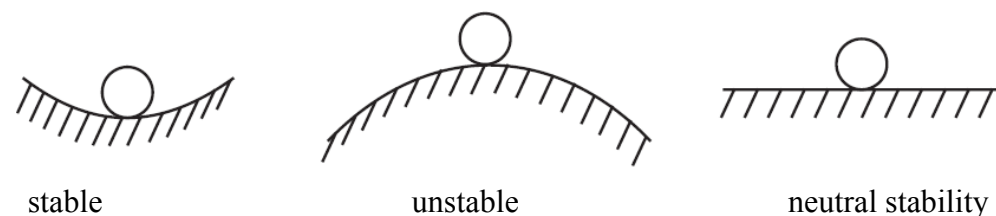
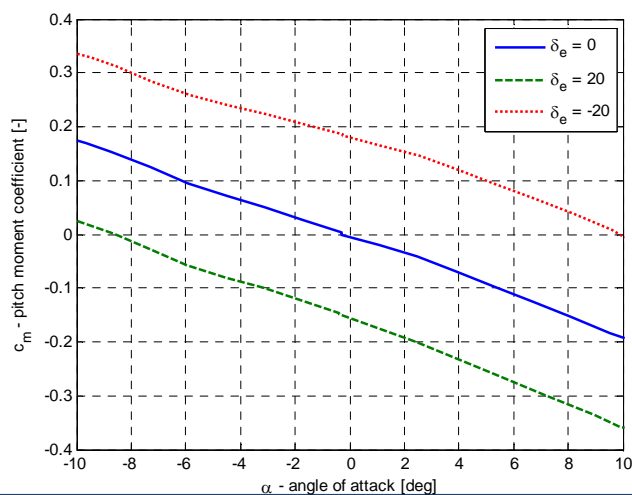
Logitudinal static stability

initial tendency of a body to return to its equilibrium state after being disturbed

equilibrium point - moment about centre of gravity to be zero $c_m = 0$

If perturb α up, need a moment that pushes nose back down (negative)

$$\frac{\partial c_m}{\partial \alpha} < 0; \quad \frac{\partial c_m}{\partial c_L} < 0$$



Steady flight - trim

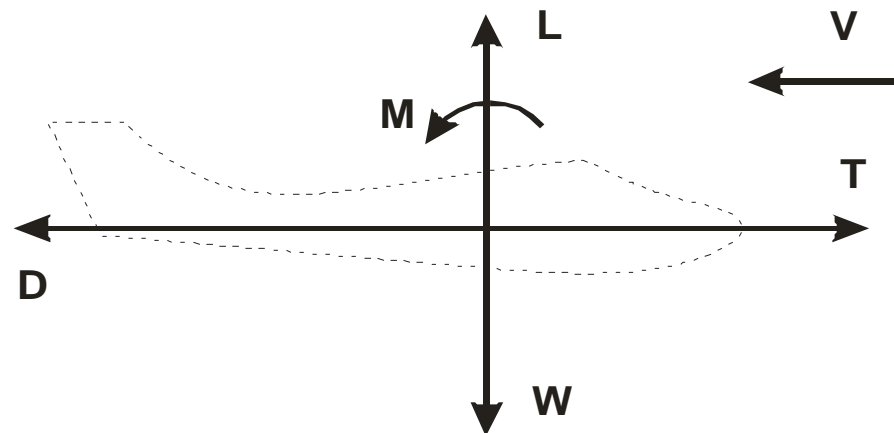
thrust of engine = drag force

$$T = D = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot v^2 \cdot S \cdot c_D$$

lift = weight of aircraft $W = L$

$$m \cdot g = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot v^2 \cdot S \cdot c_L$$

zero pitch moment $\frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot v^2 \cdot S \cdot c_m \bar{c} = 0$



Defined values: v, m, S, ρ, g

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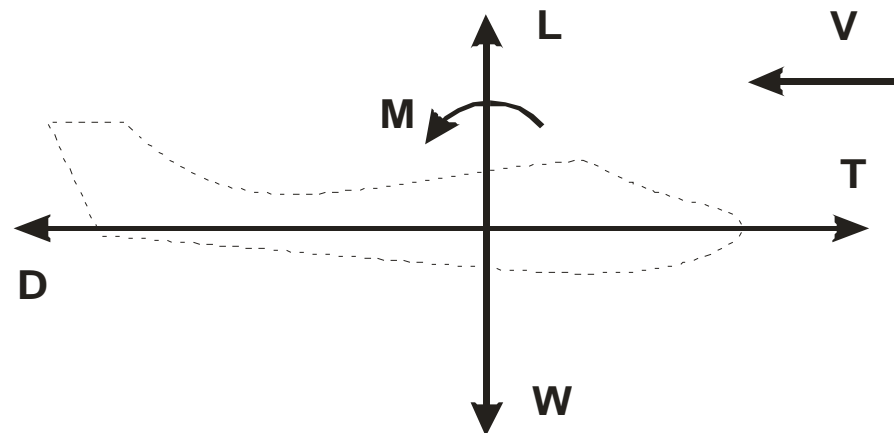
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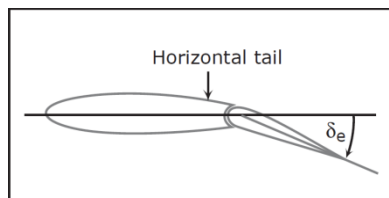
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can use elevators to provide incremental lift and moments



lift coefficient $c_{L_{Trim}} = c_{L_0} + c_{L_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{L_{\delta e}} \cdot \delta e$

$$c_{L_{Trim}} = \frac{m \cdot g}{\frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot v^2 \cdot S}$$

pitch moment coefficient

$$c_m = c_{m_0} + c_{m_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{m_{\delta e}} \cdot \delta e = 0$$

two equation with two unknown

$$-c_{m_0} = c_{m_\alpha} \cdot \alpha_{Trim} + c_{m_{\delta e}} \cdot \delta e_{Trim}$$

$$c_{L_{Trim}} - c_{L_0} = c_{L_\alpha} \cdot \alpha_{Trim} + c_{L_{\delta e}} \cdot \delta e_{Trim}$$

elevator angle needed to trim

$$\delta e_{Trim} = \frac{c_{m_0} (c_{L_0} - c_{L_{Trim}}) - c_{L_\alpha} c_{m_0}}{c_{m_{\delta e}} c_{L_\alpha} - c_{m_\alpha} c_{L_{\delta e}}}$$

Aircraft coordinate system

body-fixed (aircraft system)

flight-path (wind, aerodynamic)

Transformation

Aerodynamic to body-fixed

$$\bar{\chi}_B = T^{Ba} \bar{\chi}_a = [T^{aB}]^T \bar{\chi}_a$$

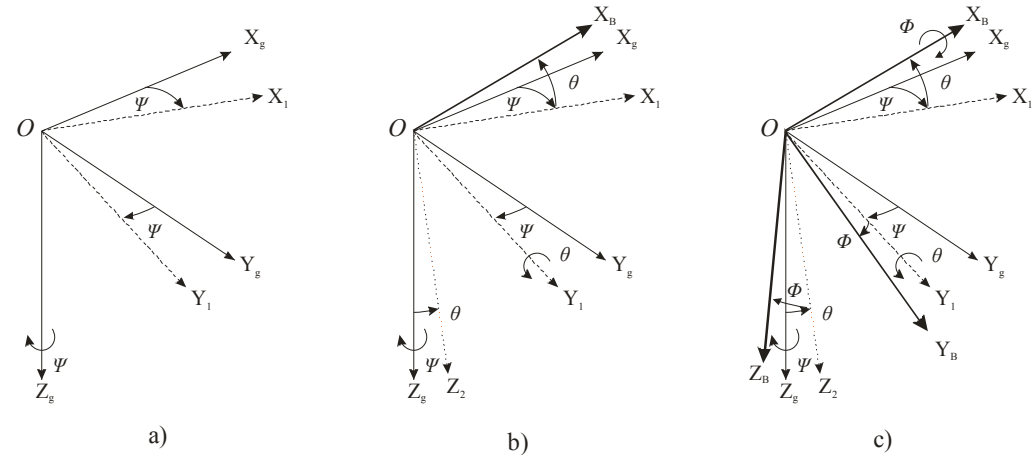
$$T^{Ba} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha \cos \beta & -\cos \alpha \sin \beta & -\sin \alpha \\ \sin \beta & \cos \beta & 0 \\ \sin \alpha \cos \beta & -\sin \alpha \sin \beta & \cos \alpha \end{bmatrix}$$

Euler angle from angular rates

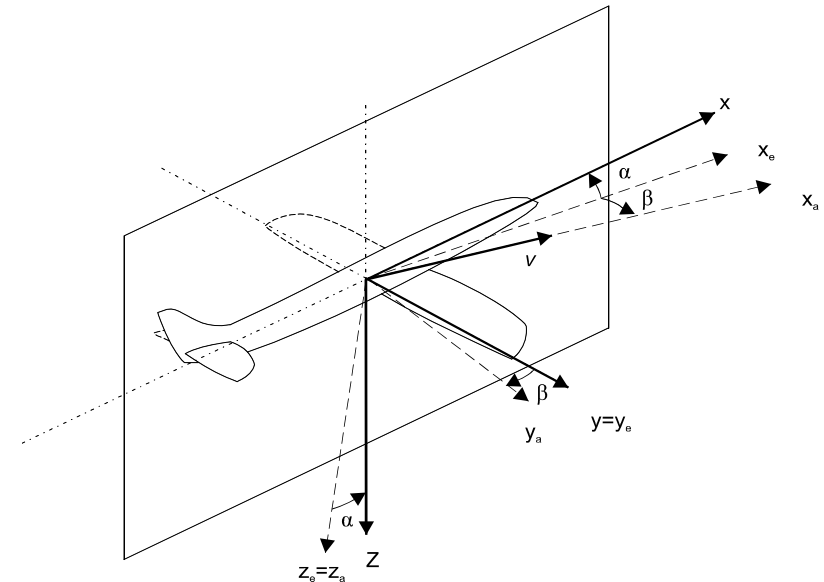
$$\dot{\phi} = p + \tan \theta \cdot (q \cdot \sin \phi + r \cdot \cos \phi)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = q \cdot \cos \phi - r \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \frac{q \cdot \sin \phi + r \cdot \cos \phi}{\cos \theta}$$



Transformation body-fixed from inertial



body-fixed and flight-path coordinate system

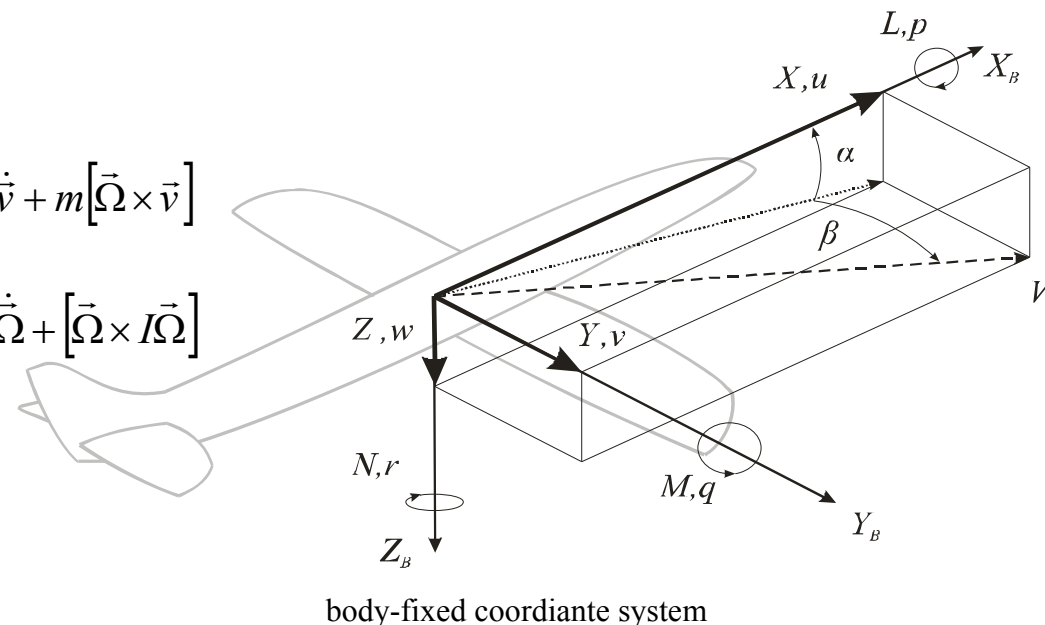
Equation of motion 6-DOF (Degree of freedom)

Newton's second law of motion:

force equation
$$\vec{F} = \frac{d(m\vec{v})}{dt} = m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} + \vec{v} \frac{dm}{dt} = m\dot{\vec{v}} + m[\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{v}]$$

moment equation
$$\vec{M} = \frac{d(I\vec{\Omega})}{dt} = I \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{dt} + \vec{\Omega} \frac{dI}{dt} = I\dot{\vec{\Omega}} + [\vec{\Omega} \times I\vec{\Omega}]$$

\vec{F}	=	force vector [N]
m	=	mass [kg]
\vec{v}	=	linear velocity vector [m.s ⁻¹]
$\vec{\Omega}$	=	angular velocity vector [rad.s ⁻¹]
t	=	time
$\partial/\partial t$	=	derivative by time
\vec{M}	=	moment vector [N.m]
\vec{I}	=	moment of inertia[kg.s ⁻²]



Component form for linear velocities

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix} = V_a \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha \cdot \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \\ \sin \alpha \cdot \cos \beta \end{bmatrix}$$

Aerodynamic values

$$V_a = \sqrt{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}$$

V_a = total airspeed

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{w}{V_a} \right)$$

α = angle of attack

$$\beta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{v}{V_a} \right)$$

β = sideslip angle

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Equation of motion – force equation

right side

$$\vec{F} = m\dot{\vec{v}} + m[\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{v}] = m \begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} + q \cdot w - r \cdot v \\ \dot{v} + r \cdot u - p \cdot w \\ \dot{w} + p \cdot v - q \cdot u \end{bmatrix}$$

left side $\vec{F} = \vec{A} + \vec{G} + \vec{T}$

$\vec{A} = [X \quad Y \quad Z]^T$ aerodynamic force

drag force, side force, lift force*

$\vec{G} = [G_x \quad G_y \quad G_z]^T$ gravity force

$\vec{T} = [F_T \quad 0 \quad 0]^T$ thrust force

gravity force

$$G_x = -mg \cdot \sin \theta$$

$$G_y = mg \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$G_z = mg \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \cos \phi$$

total force equation

$$\vec{F} = \begin{bmatrix} X - mg \cdot \sin \theta + T_x \\ Y + mg \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \sin \phi \\ Z + mg \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \cos \phi \end{bmatrix} = m \begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} + q \cdot w - r \cdot v \\ \dot{v} + r \cdot u - p \cdot w \\ \dot{w} + p \cdot v - q \cdot u \end{bmatrix}$$

* body-fixed system

Moment equation

$$\vec{M} = \frac{d\vec{H}}{dt} + [\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{H}] = \vec{I} \cdot \dot{\vec{\Omega}} + \dot{\vec{I}} \cdot \vec{\Omega} + [\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{I} \cdot \vec{\Omega}]$$

inertia moment

$$\vec{I} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & -I_{xy} & -I_{xz} \\ -I_{xy} & I_{yy} & -I_{yz} \\ -I_{xz} & -I_{yz} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

right side

$$\vec{M} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{xx} & -I_{xy} & -I_{xz} \\ -I_{xy} & I_{yy} & -I_{yz} \\ -I_{xz} & -I_{yz} & I_{zz} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \\ \dot{q} \\ \dot{r} \end{bmatrix} +$$

$$+ \det \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ p & q & r \\ p \cdot I_{xx} - q \cdot I_{xy} - r \cdot I_{xz} & q \cdot I_{yy} - p \cdot I_{xy} - r \cdot I_{yz} & r \cdot I_{zz} - p \cdot I_{xz} - q \cdot I_{yz} \end{vmatrix}$$

left side $\vec{M} = [L \quad M \quad N]^T$

roll moment, pitch moment, yaw moment

total moment equation ($I_{yz} = I_{xy} = 0$)

$$\vec{M} = \begin{bmatrix} L \\ M \\ N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{p} \cdot I_{xx} + q \cdot r \cdot (I_{zz} - I_{yy}) - (p \cdot q + \dot{r}) \cdot I_{xz} \\ \dot{q} \cdot I_{yy} + p \cdot r \cdot (I_{xx} - I_{zz}) + (p^2 - r^2) \cdot I_{xz} \\ \dot{r} \cdot I_{zz} + p \cdot q \cdot (I_{yy} - I_{xx}) + (q \cdot r - \dot{p}) \cdot I_{xz} \end{bmatrix}$$

Aerodynamic model

force equation

$$X = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_X \quad \text{drag force}$$

$$Y = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_Y \quad \text{side force}$$

$$Z = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_Z \quad \text{lift force}$$

$$c_X, c_Y, c_Z \quad \text{non-dimensional force coefficient}$$

moment equation

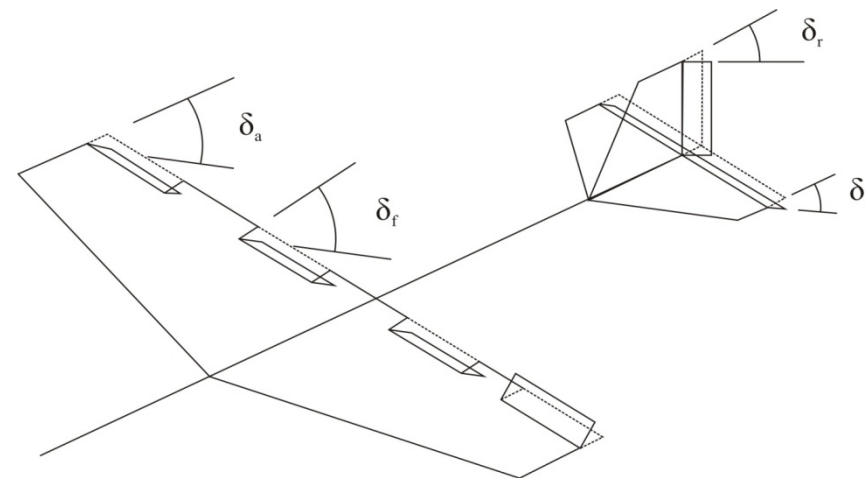
$$L = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot b \cdot c_l \quad \text{roll moment}$$

$$M = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot \bar{c} \cdot c_m \quad \text{pitch moment}$$

$$N = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot b \cdot c_n \quad \text{yaw moment}$$

$$c_l, c_m, c_n \quad \text{non-dimensional moment coefficient}$$

$$b, \bar{c} \quad \text{wing span, mean aerodynamic chord}$$



definition of control deflection

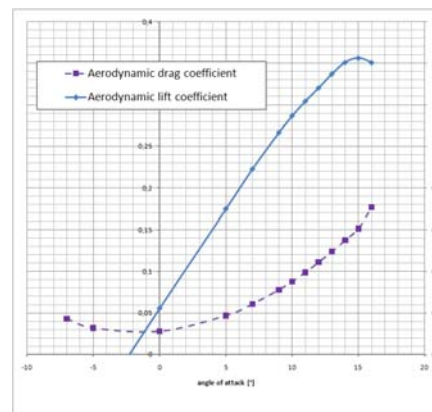
longitudinal coefficient

$$c_Z = c_Z(\alpha, \beta, \delta, M, Re, \bar{\Omega}) \quad \text{control coef.}$$

$$c_Z = \underbrace{c_{Z_0} + c_{Z_\alpha} \cdot \alpha}_{\text{Static coef.}} + \underbrace{c_{Z_{\delta_e}} \cdot \delta_e + c_{Z_q} \cdot \frac{q \bar{c}}{2V}}_{\text{dynamic coef.}}$$

$$c_m = c_{m_0} + c_{m_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{m_{\delta_e}} \cdot \delta_e + c_{m_q} \cdot \frac{q \bar{c}}{2V}$$

$$c_X = c_{X_0} + c_{X_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{X_{\alpha^2}} \cdot \alpha^2 + c_{X_{\delta_e}} \cdot \delta_e + c_{X_q} \cdot \frac{q \bar{c}}{2V}$$



lateral coefficient

$$c_Y = c_{Y_0} + c_{Y_\beta} \cdot \beta + c_{Y_{\delta_a}} \cdot \delta_a + c_{Y_{\delta_r}} \cdot \delta_r + c_{Y_r} \cdot \frac{r \cdot b}{2V} + c_{Y_p} \cdot \frac{p \cdot b}{2V}$$

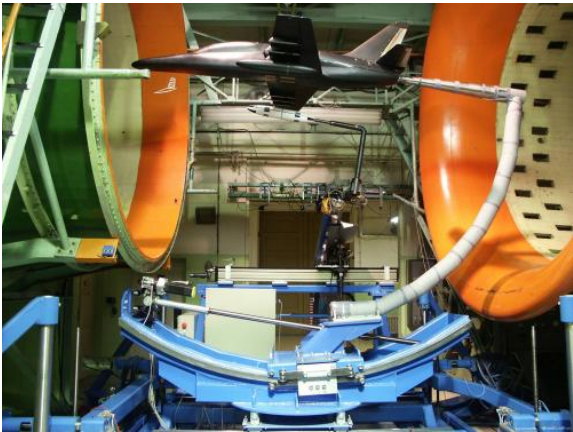
$$c_l = c_{l_0} + c_{l_\beta} \cdot \beta + c_{l_{\delta_a}} \cdot \delta_a + c_{l_{\delta_r}} \cdot \delta_r + c_{l_r} \cdot \frac{r \cdot b}{2V} + c_{l_p} \cdot \frac{p \cdot b}{2V}$$

$$c_n = c_{n_0} + c_{n_\beta} \cdot \beta + c_{n_{\delta_a}} \cdot \delta_a + c_{n_{\delta_r}} \cdot \delta_r + c_{n_r} \cdot \frac{r \cdot b}{2V} + c_{n_p} \cdot \frac{p \cdot b}{2V}$$

Aerodynamic coefficient

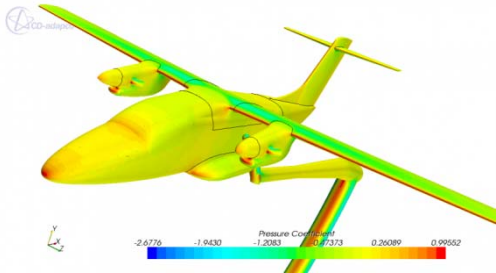
Wind tunnel

model of the aircraft in aerodynamical wind tunnel (six-component balance)

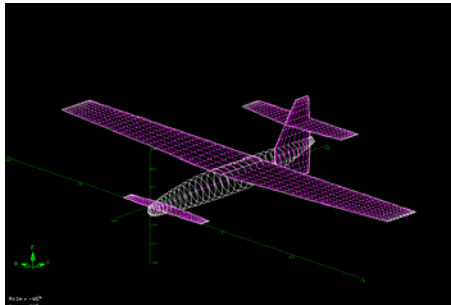


Computational methods

CFD (Computational fluid dynamics)
3D computer software for numerical calculations
aerodynamic characteristics of aircraft



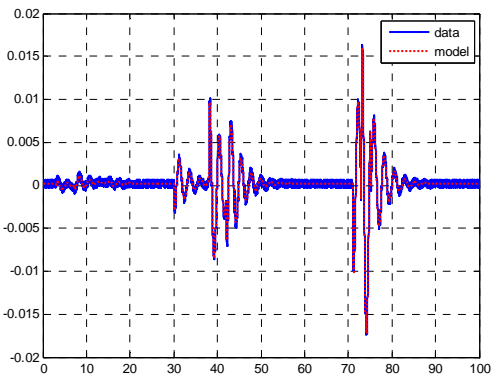
Panel methods
potential flow (without viscosity)



Flight test

Aircraft parameter identification

- Least squares method
- Output error method
- Filter error method
- Frequency method



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Aircraft parameter identification

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Parameter	Th	s(Th)	to
C_x0	1.97e-004	1.73e-011	11412871.5
C_xbeta	6.41e-002	1.12e-007	572594.7
C_xp	-9.53e-002	5.36e-006	17790.0
C_xr	-1.15e-001	6.17e-007	185744.4
C_xdail	-1.66e-002	7.65e-007	21684.0
C_xdrud	-6.25e-002	2.41e-007	259252.9
s = gama	2.94e-004		
R^2, %	98.5		

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Summary

force equation (final form)

$$\dot{u} = r \cdot v - q \cdot w - g \cdot \sin \theta + \frac{1}{m} (X + F_T)$$

$$\dot{v} = p \cdot w - r \cdot u + g \cdot \sin \phi \cdot \cos \theta + \frac{1}{m} Y$$

$$\dot{w} = q \cdot u - p \cdot v + g \cdot \cos \phi \cdot \cos \theta + \frac{1}{m} Z$$

moment equation

$$\dot{p} = (c_1 \cdot r + c_2 \cdot p) \cdot q + c_3 \cdot L + c_4 \cdot N$$

$$\dot{q} = c_5 \cdot p \cdot r - c_6 \cdot (p^2 - r^2) + c_7 \cdot M$$

$$\dot{r} = (c_8 \cdot p - c_2 \cdot r) \cdot q + c_4 \cdot L + c_9 \cdot N$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma \cdot c_1 &= (I_y - I_z) \cdot I_z - I_{xz}^2 & \Gamma \cdot c_4 &= I_{xz} & c_7 &= 1/I_y \\ \Gamma \cdot c_2 &= (I_x - I_y + I_z) \cdot I_{xz} & c_5 &= (I_z - I_x)/I_y & \Gamma \cdot c_8 &= I_x \cdot (I_x - I_y) + I_{xz}^2 \\ \Gamma \cdot c_3 &= I_z & c_6 &= I_{xz}/I_y & \Gamma \cdot c_9 &= I_x \\ & & \Gamma &= I_x \cdot I_z - I_{xz}^2 \end{aligned}$$

euler angle

$$\dot{\phi} = p + \tan \theta \cdot (q \cdot \sin \phi + r \cdot \cos \phi)$$

$$\dot{\theta} = q \cdot \cos \phi - r \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$\dot{\psi} = \frac{q \cdot \sin \phi + r \cdot \cos \phi}{\cos \theta}$$

Aerodynamic force and moment

$$X = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_X$$

$$L = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot b \cdot c_l$$

$$Y = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_Y$$

$$M = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot \bar{c} \cdot c_m$$

$$\bar{q} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \rho \cdot V^2$$

$$Z = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot c_Z$$

$$N = \bar{q} \cdot S \cdot b \cdot c_n$$

Aerodynamic values

$$V_a = \sqrt{(u^2 + v^2 + w^2)}$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{w}{V_a} \right)$$

$$\beta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{v}{V_a} \right)$$

Aerodynamic characteristic

longitudinal

$$c_Z = c_{Z_0} + c_{Z_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{Z_{\dot{\alpha}}} \cdot \dot{\alpha} + c_{Z_q} \cdot \frac{q \bar{c}}{2V}$$

$$c_m = c_{m_0} + c_{m_\alpha} \cdot \alpha + c_{m_{\dot{\alpha}}} \cdot \dot{\alpha} + c_{m_q} \cdot \frac{q \bar{c}}{2V}$$

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lateral

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Non-linear longitudinal equation of motion

zero lateral values v, p, r, ϕ (side velocity, roll rate, yaw rate, roll angle)

initial condition $m = 30kg$, $V_a = 25m/s$, $\rho = 1,225kg/m^3$, $g = 9,81m.s^{-2}$

aircraft model $S = 2,33m^2$, $\bar{c} = 0,514m$, $I_Y = 8,36kg.m^2$

aerodynamic parameters

$c_{Z_0} = -0,23$	$c_{Z_\alpha} = -5,4$	$c_{Z_{\dot{\alpha}}} = -0,3$	$c_{Z_q} = 0$
$c_{m_0} = -0,031$	$c_{m_\alpha} = -0,52$	$c_{m_{\dot{\alpha}}} = -0,5$	$c_{m_q} = -7,84$
$c_{X_0} = -0,027$	$c_{X_\alpha} = -0,15$	$c_{X_{\alpha^2}} = -0,016$	$c_{X_{\dot{\alpha}}} = c_{X_q} = 0$

Create a non-linear model (separate longitudinal) in Matlab (m-file)

Approximate trim aircraft for initial condition (gravity influence!)

Plot results

