

Extracting ICAO Carbon Calculator Data

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1 Overview

Environmental Sustainability has become a priority topic over the past months. Within PBWG and the bi-lateral work, discussions revolve around establishing an initial “look-up” table for converting operational inefficiencies to associated fuel burn or CO2 estimates (or other emissions).

Publicly available documentation on fuel burn / emissions is limited. ICAO maintains an ICAO Carbon Calculator that enables interested parties to inquire the fuel burn on an aerodrome-pair level. The supporting methodology is published in (ICAO 2018).

2 Understanding Reading pdf files with R

reading in the pdf file

- pdf_text() generates a list of all pages of the pdf file

```
icc_all <- pdftools::pdf_text(pdf_fn)
```

convert table page to a machine-readable table

```
page_17 <- icc_all[17] # extract page from list
```

```
page_17 <- page_17 %>%  
  read_lines() %>% # use line breaks  
  as_tibble()      # convert to tibble
```

```
page_17
```

```
## # A tibble: 54 x 1  
##   value  
##   <chr>
```

```
## 1 " Appendix C: ICAO Fuel Consumption Table"
## 2 "Equivalent"
## 3 "
## 4 " Aircraft"
## 5 " Code      125      250      500      750      1000      1500      2000      2500 ~
## 6 "   100      1296     2703     3788     5129     6427     8937     11373     13757 ~
## 7 "   141      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199"
## 8 "   142      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199     11725"
## 9 "   143      1324     2874     4105     5621     7100     9986"
## 10 "   146      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199     11725"
## # ... with 44 more rows
```

we can skip the first rows

```
skip_rows <- 4
page_17 <- page_17 %>%
  filter(row_number() > skip_rows)

page_17
```

```
## # A tibble: 50 x 1
##   value
##   <chr>
## 1 " Code      125      250      500      750      1000      1500      2000      2500 ~
## 2 "   100      1296     2703     3788     5129     6427     8937     11373     13757 ~
## 3 "   141      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199"
## 4 "   142      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199     11725"
## 5 "   143      1324     2874     4105     5621     7100     9986"
## 6 "   146      1289     2754     3874     5258     6600     9199     11725"
## 7 "   310      2628     5537     7790     10759     13658     19323     24876     30356 ~
## 8 "   313      2628     5537     7790     10759     13658     19323     24876     30356 ~
## 9 "   318      1488     3016     3925     5234     6482     8931     11335     13729 ~
## 10 "   319      1596     3259     4323     5830     7271     10026     12668     15233 ~
## # ... with 40 more rows
```

clean string and split columns

```
# table has IATA Code and then ranges up-to 8500NM
col_names <- c("CODE", "125", "250", "500", "750", "1000", "1500", "2000", "2500", "3000", "3500", "4000", "4500")

page_17 %>%
  mutate(
    value = trimws(value)
    , value = gsub(pattern = "\\s+", replacement = "*", x = value)
  ) %>%
  separate(
    col = value
    , into = col_names
    , fill = "right"
  )
```

```
## # A tibble: 50 x 21
##   CODE `125` `250` `500` `750` `1000` `1500` `2000` `2500` `3000` `3500`
##   <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr> <chr>
## 1 Code 125   250   500   750   1000   1500   2000   2500   3000   3500
## 2 100  1296  2703  3788  5129  6427  8937  11373  13757  16104 <NA>
## 3 141  1289  2754  3874  5258  6600  9199  <NA>  <NA>  <NA>  <NA>
```

```
## 4 142 1289 2754 3874 5258 6600 9199 11725 <NA> <NA> <NA>
## 5 143 1324 2874 4105 5621 7100 9986 <NA> <NA> <NA> <NA>
## 6 146 1289 2754 3874 5258 6600 9199 11725 <NA> <NA> <NA>
## 7 310 2628 5537 7790 10759 13658 19323 24876 30356 35784 41172
## 8 313 2628 5537 7790 10759 13658 19323 24876 30356 35784 41172
## 9 318 1488 3016 3925 5234 6482 8931 11335 13729 16130 <NA>
## 10 319 1596 3259 4323 5830 7271 10026 12668 15233 17741 20203
## # ... with 40 more rows, and 10 more variables: `4000` <chr>, `4500` <chr>,
## # `5000` <chr>, `5500` <chr>, `6000` <chr>, `6500` <chr>, `7000` <chr>,
## # `7500` <chr>, `8000` <chr>, `8500` <chr>
```

3 Extracting ICAO Carbon Calculator Fuel Burn Estimates

3.1 Appendix C

wrap this into a function

```
col_names <- c("CODE", "125", "250", "500", "750", "1000", "1500", "2000", "2500", "3000", "3500", "4000", "4500")

extract_icc_range_table <- function(.pdf_page, .skip_rows = 0, .col_names = col_names){
  range_table <- .pdf_page %>%
    read_lines() %>%      # use line breaks
    as_tibble() %>%
    filter(row_number() > skip_rows) %>%
    mutate(
      value = trimws(value)
      , value = gsub(pattern = "\\s+", replacement = "*", x = value)
    ) %>%
    separate(
      col = value
      , into = col_names
      , fill = "right"
    ) %>%
    # filter all rows where each range column has no value
    filter(!if_all(col_names[2]:col_names[length(col_names)], is.na))
  return(range_table)
}
```

ICC document lists fuel consumption tables on page 17 through 23

```
page_nbrs <- 17:23
fuel_stages <- page_nbrs %>%
  purrr::map_dfr(.f = ~ icc_all[.x] %>% extract_icc_range_table) %>%
  filter(CODE != "Code")
```

write out fuel_stages table for future use

```
write_csv(fuel_stages, "./data-analytic/ICC-FuelConsumption-v11-2018.csv")
```

3.2 Appendix B - Aircraft Mapping

Follow same logic to read in mapping tables. Note that there are multiple Aircraft-Equivalent mappings per page.

```
extract_aircraft_mappings <- function(.pdf_page){
  mapping <- .pdf_page %>%
```

```

read_lines() %>%
as_tibble() %>%
filter(row_number() > row_number()[grepl("^Aircraft", value)]) %>%
mutate(
  value = trimws(value)
  ,value = gsub(pattern = "\\s+", replacement = "*", x = value)
) %>% separate(
  col = value
  , into = c("Aircraft","Equivalent","Aircraft_2","Equivalent_2","Aircraft_3","Equivalent_3","Aircraft_4","Equivalent_4")
  , fill = "right"
)
tmp1 <- mapping[,1:2]
tmp2 <- mapping[,3:4]; names(tmp2) = c("Aircraft","Equivalent")
tmp3 <- mapping[,5:6]; names(tmp3) = c("Aircraft","Equivalent")
tmp4 <- mapping[,7:8]; names(tmp4) = c("Aircraft","Equivalent")
mapping <- bind_rows(tmp1, tmp2, tmp3, tmp4) %>%
  # remove any incomplete combination / mapping (e.g. NAs, spurious page number)
  filter(!if_any(1:2, is.na))
return(mapping)
}

page_nbrs <- 14:16
ac_equi_map <- page_nbrs %>%
  purrr::map_dfr(.f = ~ icc_all[.x] %>% extract_aircraft_mappings )

```

```
write_csv(fuel_stages, "../../../../data-analytic/ICC-AircraftMapping-v11-2018.csv")
```

3.3 ICAO Aircraft Type Designator to IATA Type Code Mapping

The ICC documentation uses - unfortunately - IATA Type Codes. Let's hack together a mapping table on top of our handwork for the ACERT look-up.

```

# get something useful from wikipedia
library(rvest)

## Warning: package 'rvest' was built under R version 4.0.5
##
## Attaching package: 'rvest'
## The following object is masked from 'package:readr':
##
##   guess_encoding

url <- "https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_aircraft_type_designators"

wiki_html <- read_html(url)
wiki_nodes <- wiki_html %>%
  html_nodes(css = "table")

# only one table in nodes, but to be sure we fetch #1
wiki_tbl <- wiki_nodes %>%
  nth(1) %>%
  html_table()

names(wiki_tbl) <- c("ICAO", "IATA", "MODEL")

```

```

# another source
url2 <- "https://www.avcodes.co.uk/acrtypes.asp"

avcodes <- read_html(url2)
avc_nodes <- avcodes %>%
  html_nodes("table")
avc_tbl <- avc_nodes %>% first() %>% html_table()

names(avc_tbl) <- c("IATA", "ICAO_AVCodes", "Manufacturer-Type-Model_AVCodes", "WTC")

# another source
url3 <- "https://stringfixer.com/nl/List_of_aircraft_type_designators"

stringfix <- read_html(url3)
sfix_nodes <- stringfix %>% html_nodes("table")
sfix_tbl <- sfix_nodes %>% first() %>% html_table()

names(sfix_tbl) <- c("ICAO_sfix", "IATA_sfix", "MODEL_sfix")

```

combine all - for the time being

```

rq <- wiki_tbl %>% left_join(avc_tbl %>% rename(ICAO = ICAO_AVCodes)) %>% left_join(sfix_tbl %>% rename(
## Joining, by = c("ICAO", "IATA")
## Joining, by = "ICAO"
write_csv(rq, "~/data-analytic/Aircraft-ICAO-IATA-Types.csv")

```

3.4 Augment ICC Fuel Consumption

Appendix B recognises “equivalent” emitting aircraft types. Thus, we have to augment the look up to account for these additional aircraft.

```

fuel_stages2 <- fuel_stages %>%
  mutate(VERSION = "ICC-v11-2018 (direct)")

which_equiv <- ac_equi_map %>%
  mutate(CHECK = Aircraft != Equivalent) %>%
  filter(CHECK == TRUE)

which_equiv <- which_equiv %>% select(-CHECK) %>%
  inner_join(fuel_stages %>% rename(Equivalent = CODE)) %>%
  mutate(VERSION = paste0("ICC-v11-2018 (equiv: ", Equivalent, ")")) %>%
  rename(CODE = Aircraft)

## Joining, by = "Equivalent"
which_equiv <- which_equiv %>%
  filter(CODE != "787") # double accounting of 787

fuel_stages2 <- bind_rows(fuel_stages2, which_equiv) %>%
  rename(IATA = CODE, EQUIVALENT = Equivalent)

fuel_stages2 <- fuel_stages2 %>%
  left_join(avc_tbl %>% rename(ICAO = ICAO_AVCodes))

## Joining, by = "IATA"

```

```
fuel_stages2 <- fuel_stages2 %>% select(ICA0, IATA, everything())
```

```
missin_icao <- fuel_stages2 %>%  
  filter(ICA0 == "" | is.na(ICA0))
```

fix by hand - check that we only have unique ICAO !

```
missin_icao %>% left_join(sfix_tbl, by = c("IATA"="IATA_sfix")) %>% select(ICA0_sfix,  
ICA0, IATA, everything()) %>% filter(!is.na(ICA0_sfix)) # A tibble: 5 x 28 ICA0_sfix ICAO  
IATA 125 250 500 750 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4500 5000 5500 1 A388 NA 388  
5851 12016 17623 24940 32211 46695 61160 75638 90143 104681 119255 133865 148512 163196 2  
A321 NA 32B 1909 3925 5270 7157 8970 12456 15818 19094 22308 NA NA NA NA NA  
3 A158 NA A58 1543 3087 4064 5306 6478 NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA  
4 E75L NA E7W 1113 2240 2989 3953 4890 6725 NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA  
5 E50P NA EP1 290 580 764 997 1218 NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA
```

```
write_csv(fuel_stages2, "./data-analytic/ICC-FuelConsumption-v11-2018-augmented.csv")
```

There exists already a A321, E75L. Fixed by editing the csv (outside R).

4 Conclusion

This document summarises the data preparatory steps for generating a look-up table for PBWG and the bi-regional comparison work. It is based on the extraction of fuel burn estimates from the ICAO Carbon Calculator Methodology document, v11 2018.

The data has been extracted from the respective Appendix C. With Appendix B, the lookup has been expanded for a set of aircraft types that show - in accordance with the methodology document - similar fuel burn characteristics.

The comparison work is based on ICAO Aircraft Type Designators (ICAO 2022).

== initial lookup table!

References

- ICAO. 2018. "ICAO Carbon Emissions Calculation Methodology." ICAO.
———. 2022. "Aircraft Type Designators, Doc 8643."