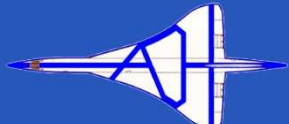


STRUCTURAL AIRWORTHINESS

Load Calculation for KIS

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Load Calculation

What do we need?

Aircraft Weights

Geometry

Design Speeds

V-n Data

Aerodynamic Data

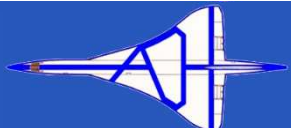
Mass Data

Engine Thrust or Power

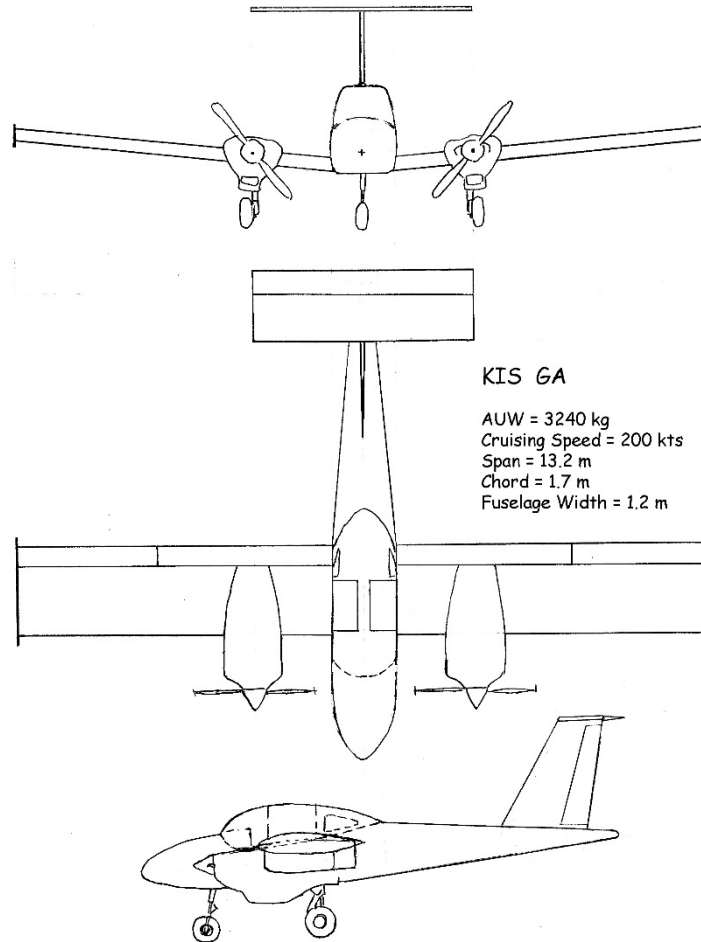
Systems Data (Fuel, EFCS etc)

Also we need to know the Airworthiness Regulation
the aircraft is to be certified to.

This exercise will use a mixture of CS23 and 25

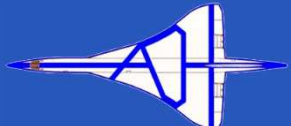


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KIS GA

AUW = 3240 kg
Cruising Speed = 200 kts
Span = 13.2 m
Chord = 1.7 m
Fuselage Width = 1.2 m



Load Calculation

The worked example is going to evaluate the shear force, bending moment and torque at the wing root (body side) for 3 flight conditions and 2 ground conditions

The 3 flight conditions being

1g level flight

3.5g Manoeuvre

-1.4g Manoeuvre

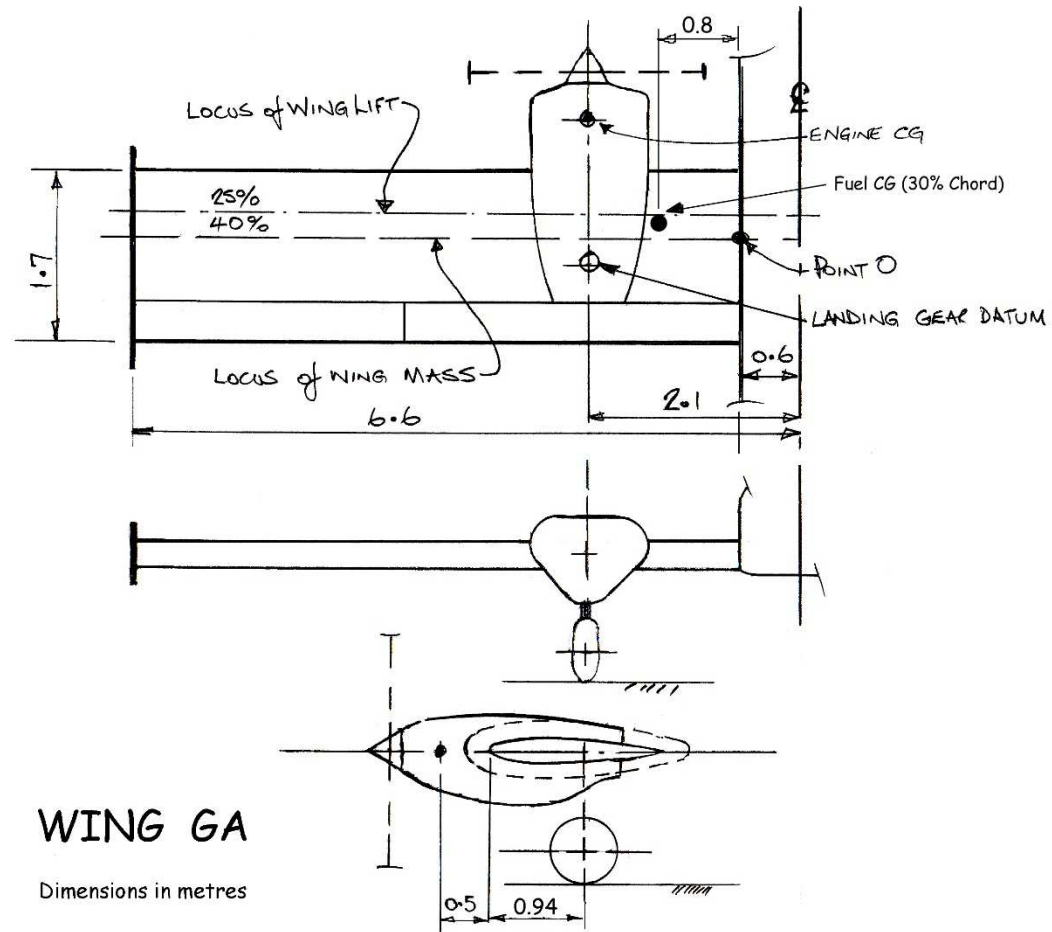
The ground cases being

2.2g bump on take-off (no airload)

Landing case with a reaction factor of 2.0

The aerodynamic loading and the mass loading will be derived separately and then summed for relevant case.

WING GA



WING GA

Dimensions in metres

Load Calculation

Design Speeds

V_C

Given V_C = 200 kts but need to check

$$V_{\text{CMIN}} (\text{kts}) = K \times \sqrt{\frac{W}{S}}$$

$$W/S = 3240 \times 9.80665 / 22.44 = 1415.9 \text{ N/m}^2 (29.57 \text{ lb/ft}^2)$$

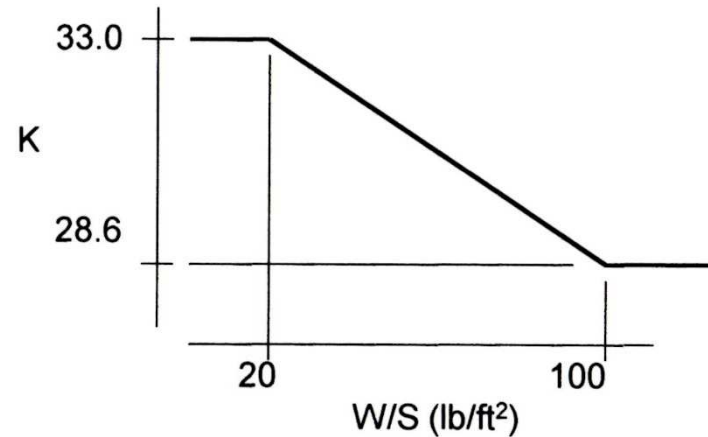
By interpolation K = 32.47

$$V_{\text{CMIN}} (\text{kts}) = 176.6 \text{ kts} (90.8 \text{ m/s})$$

V_D

$$V_D = 1.4 V_{\text{CMIN}} \quad \text{or} \quad 1.25 V_C$$

$$= 247 \quad \text{or} \quad 250 \text{ kts} (128.6 \text{ m/s})$$



For W/S in N/m² and V in kts

33 - 20 4.769 - 957.6

28.6 - 100 4.133 - 4788

Load Calculation

V_S

Using $C_{LMAX} = 1.35$

$$V_S = \sqrt{\frac{2Wg}{\rho_0 C_{LMAX} S}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 3240 \times 9.80665}{1.225 \times 1.35 \times 22.44}} = 41.38 \text{ m/s (80.44 kts)}$$

V_A

$$V_A = V_S \times \sqrt{n} \quad \text{but what is the value of } n$$

$$n = 2.1 + \frac{24000}{W + 10000} \quad \text{with } W \text{ in lb} \quad n = 2.1 + \frac{106757}{W + 44482} \quad \text{with } W \text{ in Newtons}$$

with n not greater than 3.8 and not less than 2.5 for normal category aircraft

$n = 3.5g$ Negative value is usually 40% of positive value = $-1.4g$

$$V_A = 80.44 \times \sqrt{3.5} = 150.5 \text{ kts (77.4 m/s)}$$



Load Calculation

V_B

V_{BMIN} is the lesser of the intersection of n due to C_{LMAX} with n due to gust

or $V_B = V_S \times \sqrt{n_{gust} V_c}$

Intersection comes from
$$n = \frac{C_{Lmax} \rho_0 V^2 S}{2W} = 1 + \frac{K a U V \rho_0 S}{2W}$$

Solving for speed gives
$$V = \frac{K a U}{2C_{LMAX}} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{K a U}{2C_{LMAX}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{2W}{\rho_0 C_{LMAX} S} \right)}$$

Load Calculation

Data required to derive n_{gust} and Results

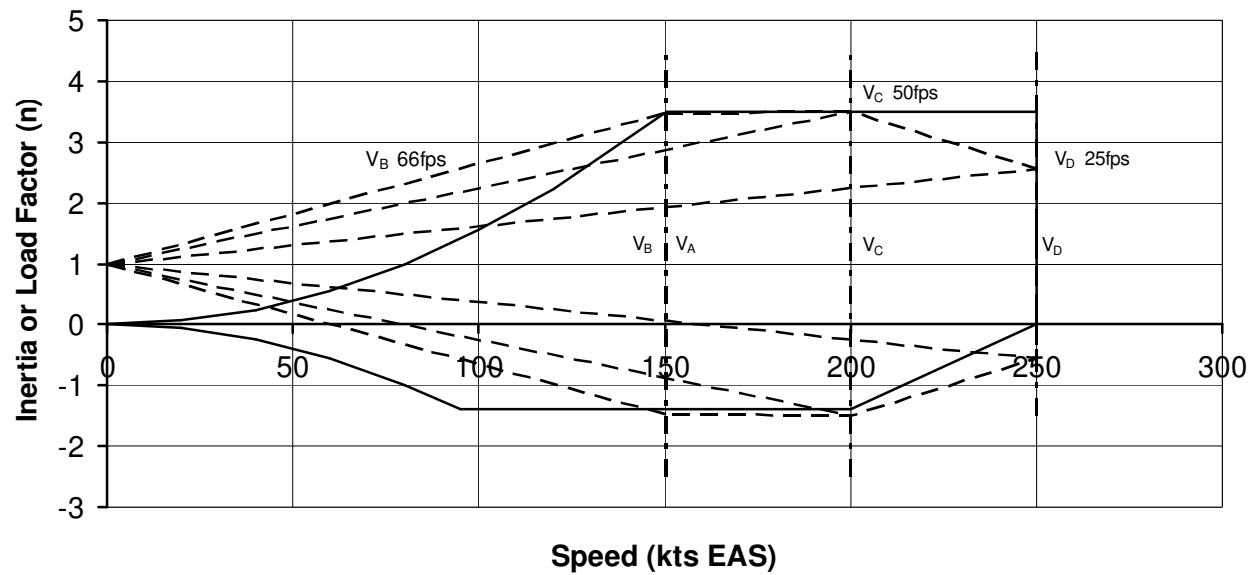
W	3240	kg			
S	22.44	m ²			
c	1.7	m			
ρ_o	1.225	kg/m ³			
a	5				
$C_{L\text{max}}$	1.35				
V_S	41.38	m/s			
V_S	80.44	kts			
V_A	150.5	kts			
		VB(Cl)	VB(vc)	VC	VD
V	kts	150.11	150.60	200	250
V	m/s	77.22	77.48	102.89	128.61
U	ft/sec	66	66	50	25
U	m/s	20.1168	20.1168	15.24	7.62
ρ	kg/m ³	1.225	1.225	1.225	1.225
μ		27.7330	27.7330	27.7330	27.7330
K		0.7388	0.7388	0.7388	0.7388
Δn		2.48	2.49	2.51	1.57
n pos	$1+\Delta n$	3.48	3.49	3.51	2.57
n neg	$1-\Delta n$	-1.48	-1.49	-1.51	-0.57

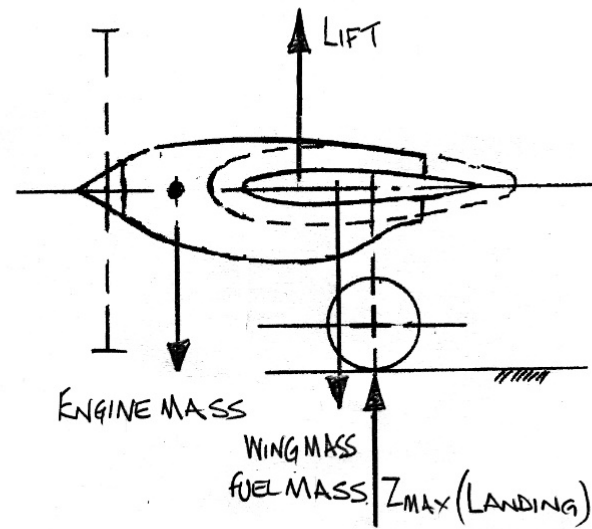
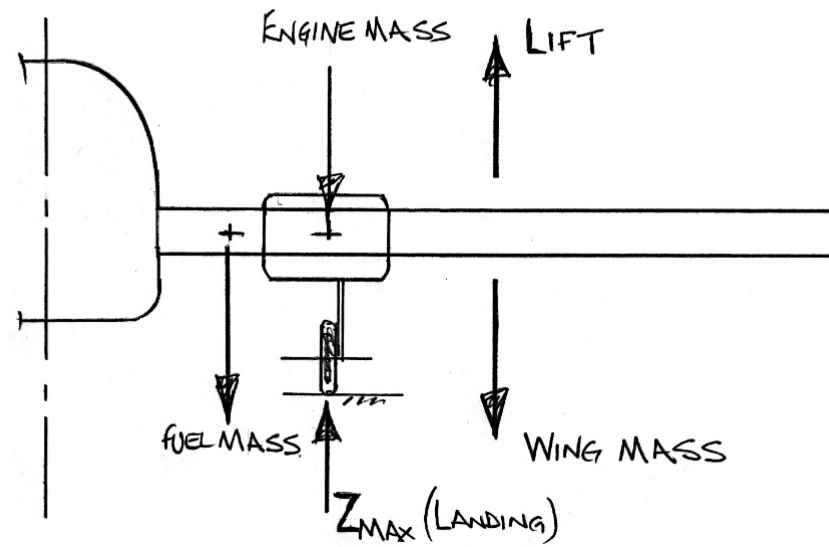
Value Required

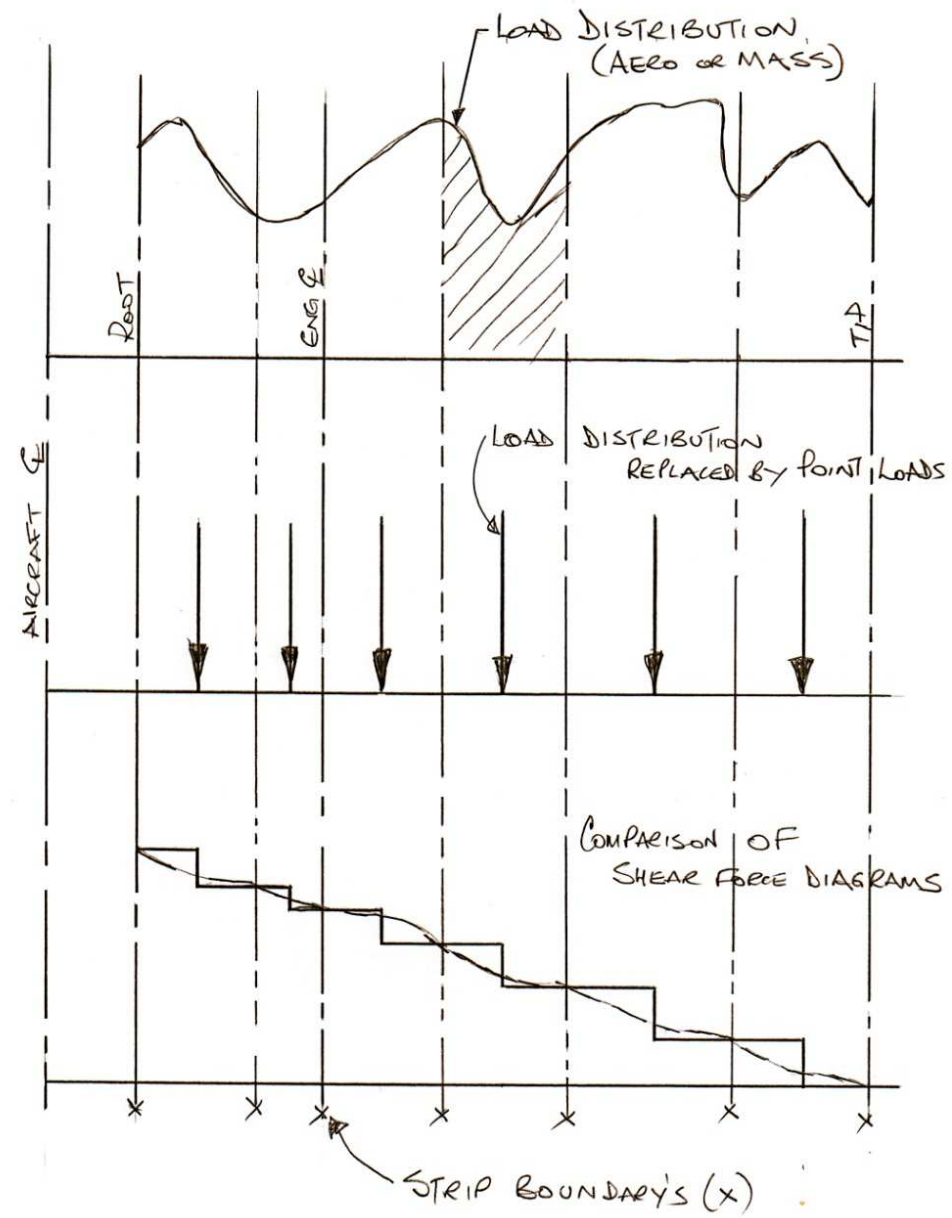
Load Calculation

Design Speeds, Manoeuvre and Gust Envelope

VS	80.4 kts
VA	150.5 kts
VB	150.1 kts
VC	200 kts
VD	250 kts







Load Calculation

The Lift on the complete aircraft comes from its separate components and its distribution depends on Weight, inertia factor, CG, and Speed.

Typical $L = L_W + L_F + L_T$ where the suffixes W, F and T represent the Wing, Fuselage and Tailplane

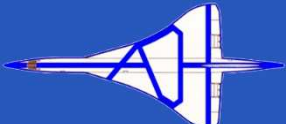
L_T depends on n , CG and Speed, and for trim on a conventional aircraft acts downwards. The distribution between L_W and L_F depends largely on their relative sizes and shapes as they are usually rigidly connected.

L_T can vary from 0 to 20% of aircraft weight and acts downwards.

Taking $L_W + L_F = 100$, then typically $L_W = 84$ and $L_F = 16$

Assuming that the lift on the fuselage equals the down load on the tail, then the lift on the exposed wing outboard of the root equals the weight of the aircraft times the inertia factor

$$L = nW$$



Load Calculation - Aerodynamic

The wing lift is uniformly distributed from root to tip

The reference point will be at the wing root at 40% chord

$$SF \text{ at root} = \text{Lift}/2 = nW/2$$

$$\text{For } \mathbf{1g \text{ Flight}} \quad SF = 1 \times 3240 \times 9.80665/2 = \mathbf{15887 \text{ N}} \text{ (upwards)}$$

BM at root = Lift/2 x distance of centre of lift from root (reference point)

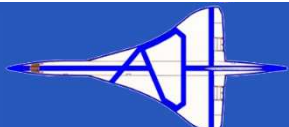
$$= SF \text{ root} \times 6/2 = 15887 \times 3 = \mathbf{47661 \text{ Nm}} \text{ (tip up)}$$

Torque = Pitching Moment + Lift/2 x distance of centre of lift forward of reference point
+ Engine Thrust x vertical distance to reference point

$$= M_o + SF \text{ root} \times x_{ac} + \text{Thrust} \times z_t$$

ignoring M_o and taking thrust as zero

$$= 15887 \times 1.7(0.4 - 0.25) = \mathbf{4051 \text{ Nm}} \text{ (nose up)}$$



Load Calculation - Mass

Wing Mass will be taken as 220 kg/side outboard of root
and is uniformly distributed from root to tip

Engine Mass will be taken as 300 kg/engine and Fuel Mass as 50 kg/side

$$SF_{\text{root}} = n \times (\text{wing mass} + \text{engine mass} + \text{fuel mass})$$

For **1g Flight** $SF = 1 \times 9.80665 \times (220 + 300 + 50) = \underline{5590} \text{ N}$ (downwards)

BM at root = Wing Mass x distance of centre of gravity from root (reference point)
+ Engine Mass x distance of centre of gravity from root (reference point)
+ Fuel Mass x distance of centre of gravity from root (reference point)

$$= W_{\text{WING}} \times 6/2 + W_{\text{ENG}} \times 1.5 + W_{\text{FUEL}} \times 0.8$$

$$= 220 \times 9.80665 \times 3 + 300 \times 9.80665 \times 1.5 + 50 \times 9.80665 \times 0.8$$

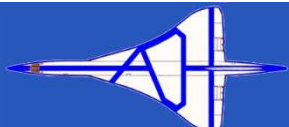
$$= 6472 + 4413 + 392 = \underline{11277} \text{ Nm (tip down)}$$

Torque = Wing Mass x distance of centre of gravity forward of reference point
+ Engine Mass x distance of centre of gravity forward of reference point
+ Fuel Mass x distance of centre of gravity forward of reference point

$$= W_{\text{WING}} \times 1.7(0.4 - 0.4) + W_{\text{ENG}} \times ((1.7 \times 0.4) + 0.5) + W_{\text{FUEL}} \times 1.7(0.4 - 0.3)$$

$$= 220 \times 9.80665 \times 0.0 + 300 \times 9.80665 \times 1.18 + 50 \times 9.80665 \times 0.17$$

$$= 0 + 3472 + 83 = \underline{3555} \text{ Nm (nose down)}$$



Load Calculation - Total (LIMIT)

Flight Conditions

1g SF = 15887 - 5590 = 10297 N (+ve upwards)

BM = 47661 - 11277 = 36384 Nm (+ve tip up)

T = 4051 - 3555 = 496 Nm (+ve nose up)

3.5g SF = 10297 x 3.5 = 36040 N (+ve upwards)

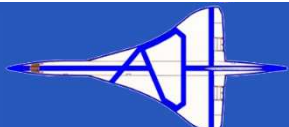
BM = 36384 x 3.5 = 127344 Nm (+ve tip up)

T = 496 x 3.5 = 1736 Nm (+ve nose up)

-1.4g SF = 10297 x -1.4 = -14416 N (+ve upwards)

BM = 36384 x -1.4 = -50938 Nm (+ve tip up)

T = 496 x -1.4 = -694 Nm (+ve nose up)



Load Calculation - Total (ULTIMATE)

Flight Conditions

1g SF = $10297 \times 1.5 = 15446$ N (+ve upwards)

BM = $36384 \times 1.5 = 54576$ Nm (+ve tip up)

T = $496 \times 1.5 = 744$ Nm (+ve nose up)

3.5g SF = $36040 \times 1.5 = 54060$ N (+ve upwards)

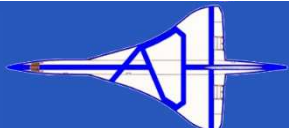
BM = $127344 \times 1.5 = 191016$ Nm (+ve tip up)

T = $1736 \times 1.5 = 2604$ Nm (+ve nose up)

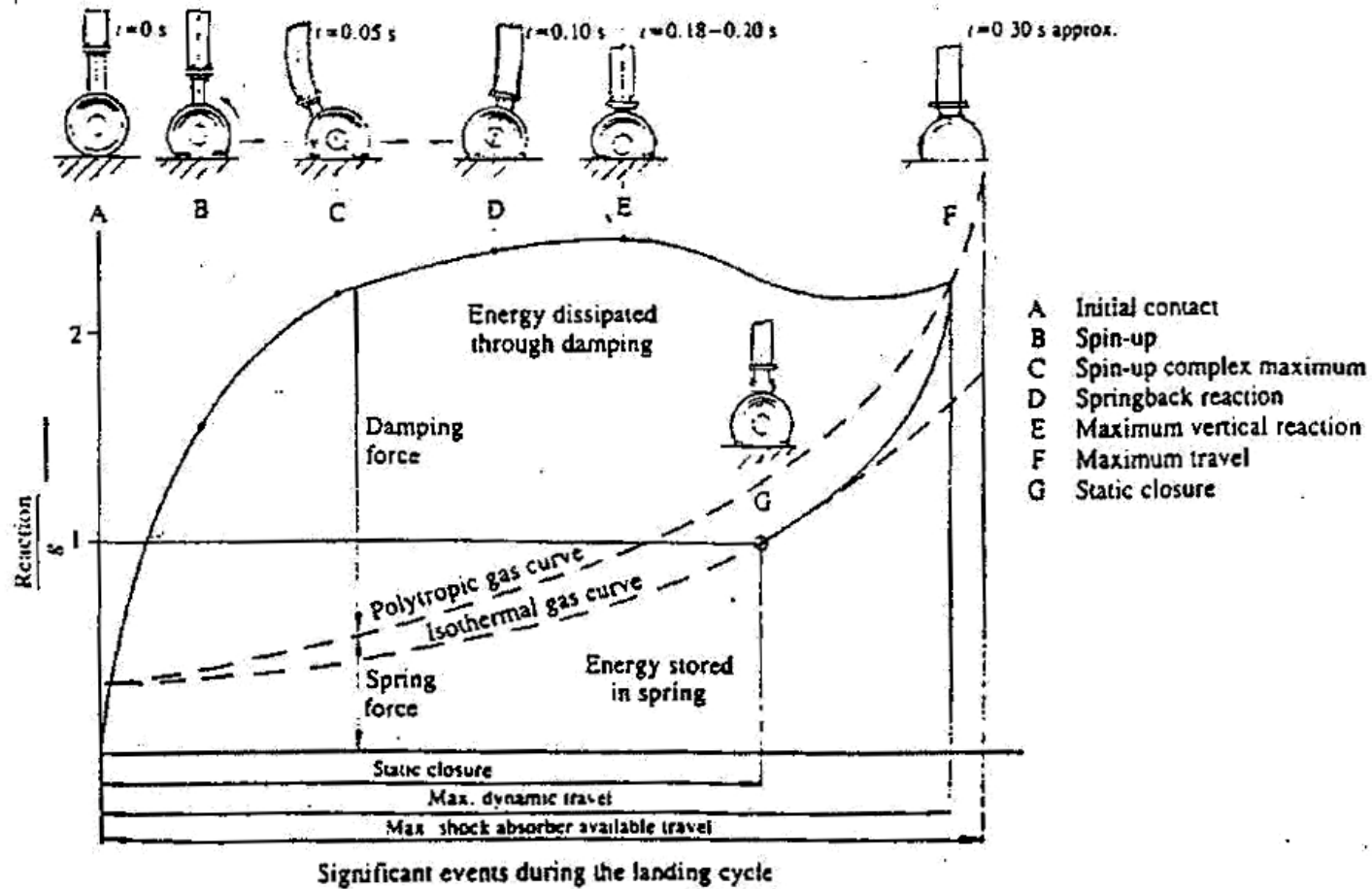
-1.4g SF = $-14416 \times 1.5 = -21624$ N (+ve upwards)

BM = $-50934 \times 1.5 = -76407$ Nm (+ve tip up)

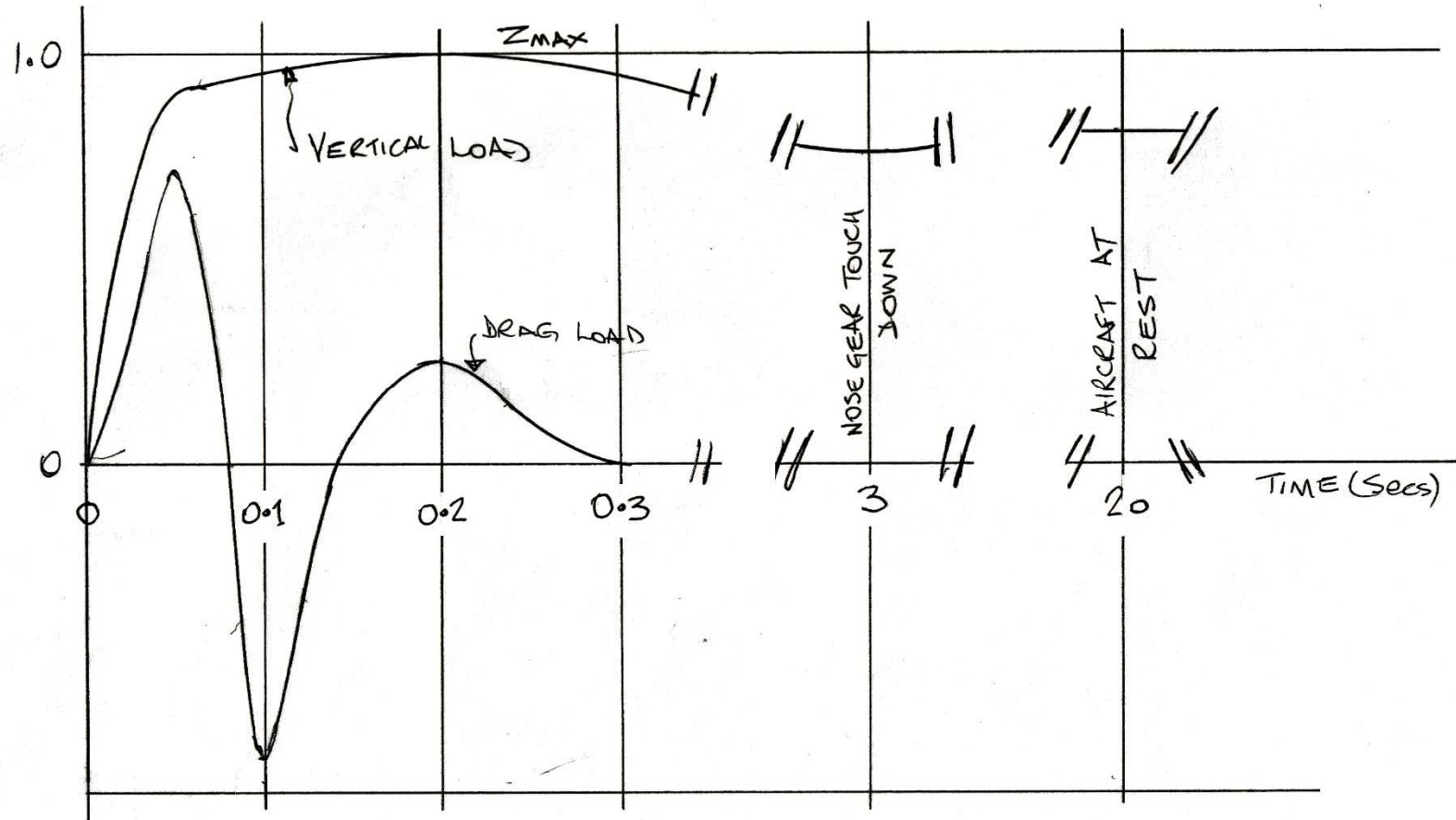
T = $-694 \times 1.5 = -1041$ Nm (+ve nose up)



Landing Gear Load Sequence



Landing Gear Time History



Load Calculation - Landing Impact (Ground Loads)

The Reaction Factor (λ) is the ratio of the Peak Vertical Load (on all gears) during the landing impact to the Landing Weight, for this aircraft it will be taken as 2.0

Fore and Aft Loads are ignored

Peak Vertical Ground Load (Z_{\max}) = $3240 \times 9.80665 \times 2.0/2 = 31774$ N (per leg)

$\Delta SF = \underline{31774}$ N (upwards)

ΔBM at root = $Z_{\max} \times \text{distance of landing gear datum from root (reference point)}$
 $= 31774 \times 1.5 = \underline{47661}$ Nm (tip up)

$\Delta \text{Torque} = Z_{\max} \times \text{distance of landing gear datum from reference point}$
 $= Z_{\max} \times ((1.7 \times 0.4) - 0.94) = 31774 \times -0.26$
 $= \underline{8261}$ Nm (nose down)

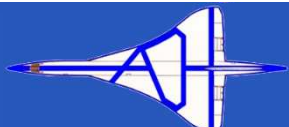
The values for Take-Off bump case are obtained in a similar way giving:

Take-Off bump Vertical Ground Load = $3240 \times 9.80665 \times 2.2/2 = 34951$ N (per leg)

$\Delta SF = \underline{34951}$ N (upwards)

ΔBM at root = $34951 \times 1.5 = \underline{52427}$ Nm (tip up)

$\Delta \text{Torque} = 34951 \times -0.26 = \underline{9087}$ Nm (nose down)



Load Calculation - Total (LIMIT)

Ground Conditions

Landing Case (Bump Increment - (λ x Mass) + 1g Level Flight)

$$SF = 31774 - (2 \times 5590) + 10297 = 30891 \text{ N (+ve upwards)}$$

$$BM = 47661 - (2 \times 11277) + 36384 = 61491 \text{ Nm (+ve tip up)}$$

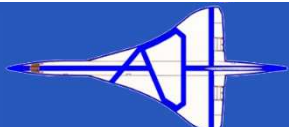
$$T = -8261 - (2 \times 3555) + 496 = -14875 \text{ Nm (+ve nose up)}$$

2.2g Take-Off bump (Bump Increment - (2.2 x Mass))

$$SF = 34951 - (2.2 \times 5590) = 22653 \text{ N (+ve upwards)}$$

$$BM = 52427 - (2.2 \times 11277) = 27618 \text{ Nm (+ve tip up)}$$

$$T = -9087 - (2.2 \times 3555) = -16908 \text{ Nm (+ve nose up)}$$



Load Calculation - Total (ULTIMATE)

Ground Conditions

Landing Case

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SF} &= 30891 \times 1.5 = 46337 \text{ N (+ve upwards)} \\ \text{BM} &= 61491 \times 1.5 = 92237 \text{ Nm (+ve tip up)} \\ \text{T} &= -14875 \times 1.5 = -22312 \text{ Nm (+ve nose up)} \end{aligned}$$

2.2g Take-Off bump

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SF} &= 22653 \times 1.5 = 33980 \text{ N (+ve upwards)} \\ \text{BM} &= 27618 \times 1.5 = 41427 \text{ Nm (+ve tip up)} \\ \text{T} &= -16908 \times 1.5 = -25362 \text{ Nm (+ve nose up)} \end{aligned}$$



Load Calculation - Summary of ULTIMATE Loads at Wing Root

	Shear	Bending	Torque
	N	Nm	Nm
	+ve up	+ve tip up	+ve nose up
1g level flight	15446	54576	744
3.5g Manoeuvre	54060	191016	2604
-1.4g Manoeuvre	-21624	-76407	-1041
Landing Case	46337	92237	-22312
Take-Off (2.2g bump)	33980	41427	-25362

