I read it refered to as the "parabolic cross-section" rule; the idea was that if you plot the area of the fuselage cross-section as a function of the point fore-and-aft along the fuselage, a plot that is a **paraboloid** minimizes somethin' or 'nother (to be technical about it).

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