

Progress Update 01

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Formulating the Aircraft of the Future

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Agenda



Mission Objectives



Design Configurations and Analysis



Regulation Impact



Market Strategies



Costs Analysis

Mission Objectives



Highlight a new technological innovation



Fixed-wing, capacity of 10-20 passengers



Emphasize environmental considerations



Max. range at 1,500 nmi & optimized operating cost for 500 nmi

Development Plan – Key Next Steps

Preliminary
Design

Performance
Analysis

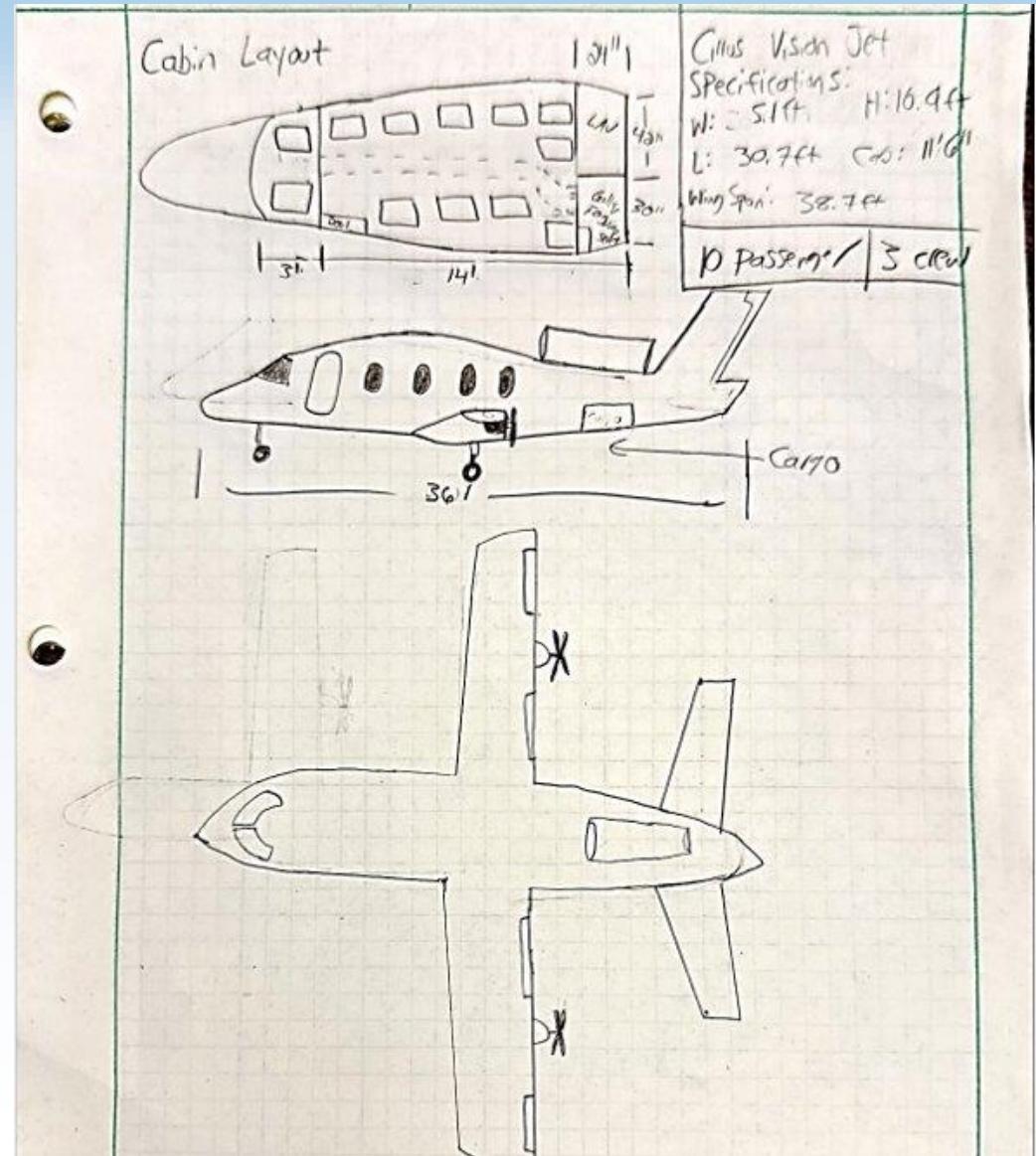
Stability and
Control

Aerodynamics
Research

Decision Matrix

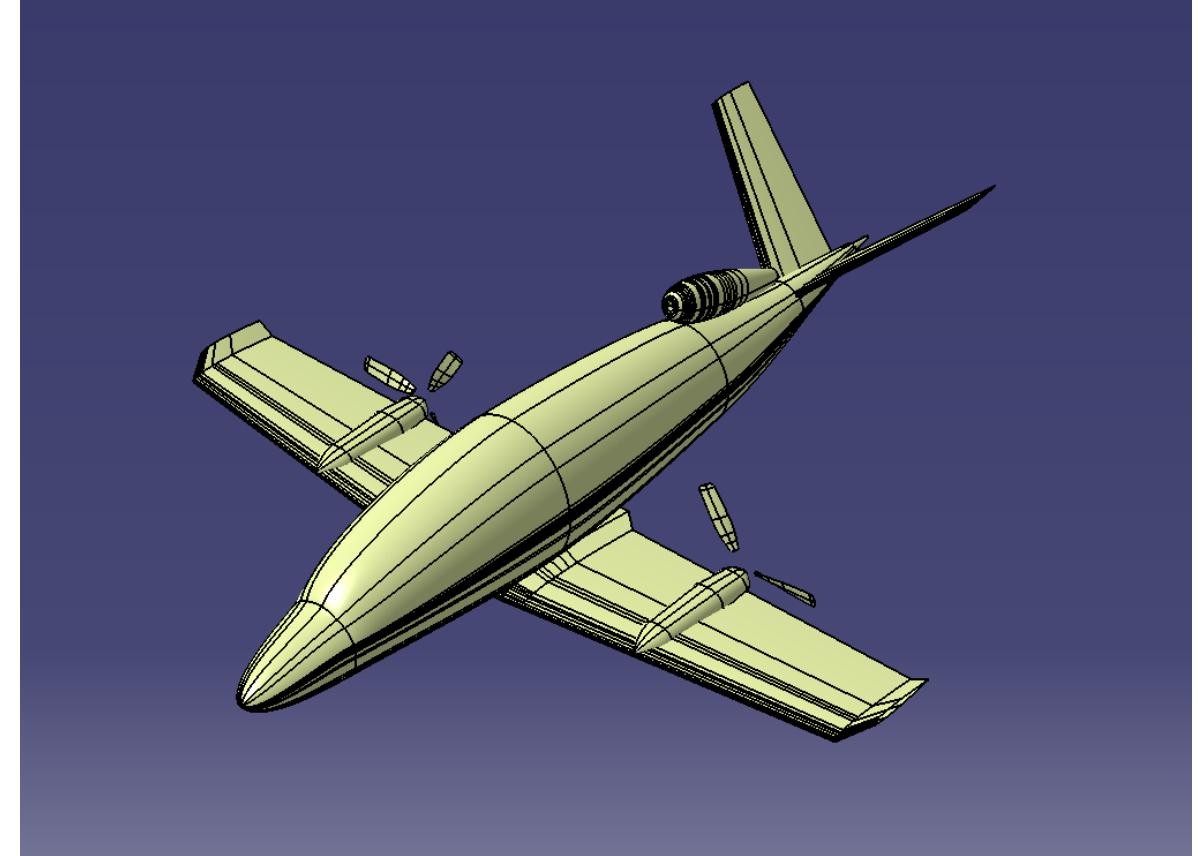
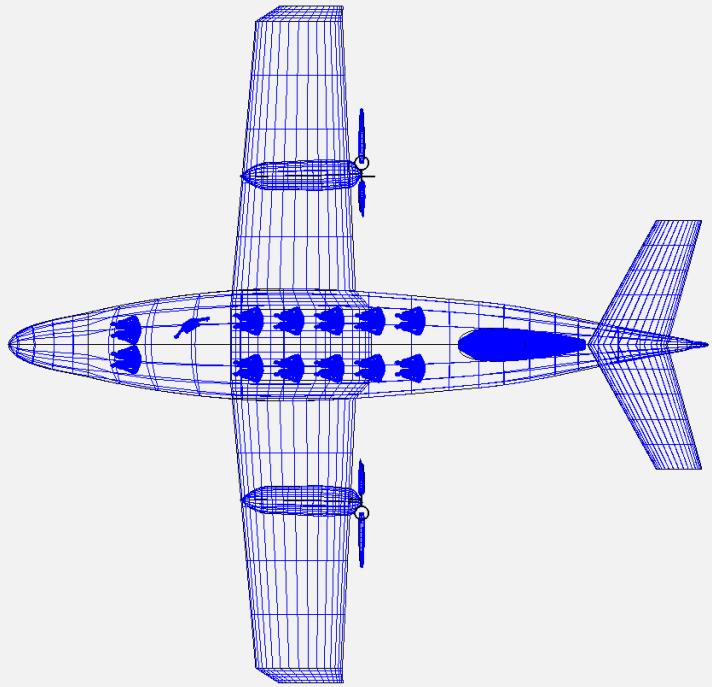
Solaris XIL-1

Feature	Weight 1-5	Configuration Score				
		Kiana	Alex	Kevin	Percy	Annabelle
Complexity (3- Least)	3	1	2	1	1	2
Cost of Materials	2	1	2	2	2	1
Propulsion System	2	2	3	2	3	2
Max Take Off Weight (3- least)	4	1	3	2	1	3
Environmental Efficiency	5	3	3	3	3	2
Reliability	4	2	2	3	2	2
Passenger Capacity - between 10 and 20	5	1	2	3	3	2
Cargo Capacity	3	3	2	1	2	3
Technology feasibility	4	2	3	2	1	3
Aesthetics	3	2	3	3	1	1
Maintenance - Engine access	4	2	3	2	3	3
Operation - Cabin entry	3	3	3	3	2	3
Operation - Refueling	2	2	1	3	1	2
Operation - Piloting	3	3	2	2	2	3
Already Present Infrastructure	4	3	2	3	1	1
Retractable Landing Gear?	2	3	3	3	1	3
Stability	3	1	2	2	3	3
Maneuverability	2	1	2	3	1	1
Operating Cost	4	2	3	2	3	2
L/D Estimation	3	1	2	2	1	1
Total	65	128	159	154	126	142



Source: Alex Chidester

Modeling Solaris XIL-1



Performance Constraints

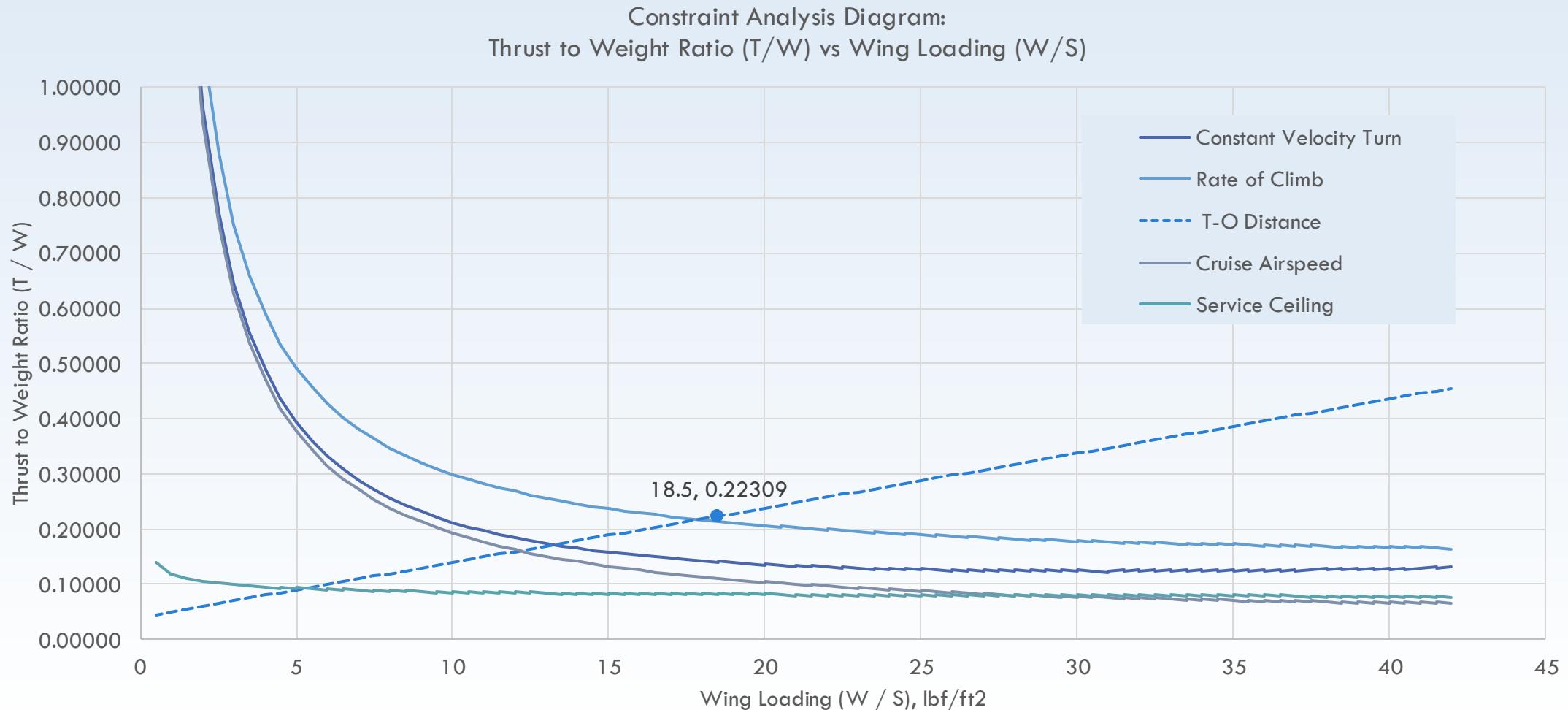
	Targeted Range	Rationale
Weight (MTOW)	~11000lb (MTOW)	Max weight under selected engine
Empty weight	~6000 lb	
Turbofan Thrust:	3600 lbf	VerdeGo Aero VH-5 or Garret TFE731-60
Fuel Capacity	3000 lb	Fuel Capacity to meet 1500 nmi range
T/W ratio	0.3-0.4	Ideal for short field performance
Required Electrical Power at cruise:	150-200 kWh	Power required to maintain 200 kts cruise
Aspect Ratio:	8.5-9.5	
Takeoff Roll at MTOW	4000 ft	Under optimized conditions, we expect takeoff performance around 2000 ft
Cruise Speed/Alt	200kts/15000 ft	Optimized Cruising Speed
Service Ceiling	20,000 ft	Maximum Altitude for Propellor driven cruise.

Constraint Analysis – Similar Aircraft

Aircraft Name	Powerplant (Thrust)	Length	Wingspan	MTOW	Tail Configuration	Pax: Capacity
Cirrus Vision Jet	Williams FJ33 (1846 lbf)	30' 6"	38'	6000	V-Tail	6
Eclipse 400	P&W PW600 (1200 lbf)	28' 7"	36'	4800	V-Tail	6
Piper PA-47 Piper Jet	Williams FJ44 (2820 lbf)	35' 8"	44' 3"	7250	Standard Vertical Tail	7

*red color is most similar to our design in terms of size and power

Constraint Analysis Diagram



Regulations: Engineer



- Normal Category Airplane
- FAA Title 14 CFR Part 23
 - Level 4 High Speed
- Under 19 passengers
- Under 19,000 MCTOW
- No flight attendants required

Regulations: Business



- Part 135 – Commercial Operations
- Part 91 – Corporate/Private Operations
- Will require type rating as new aircraft
- IFR-certified autopilot mandatory for commercial ops
- Freedoms of Air do not apply

Stakeholders: Government and Military Use



Short Range VIP

Med Evac



Law Enforcement



NOAA



Naval ops



Lower-level officials can have access to private transport leading to more secure and efficient government travel

Aircraft with STOL features can access more places in rougher and remote areas

Border Patrol and aerial surveillance can be done in a much more sustainable way

New equipment that represents an upgrade over existing technology

Coast guard search and rescue operations. Light carriers or amphibious assault ships.

Market Strategies

01

Intra-European Aviation

02

Short Range Point-to-Point

03

Executive Travel





CDG Paris
International
Airport

ATH Athens
International
Airport

IST Istanbul
International
Airport

LHR London
Heathrow
Airport

DFW DALLAS
FORT WORTH
INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT

Maximum Range Routes

- JFK – DFW – 1,390 NM
- LHR – ATH – 1,485 NM
- CDG – IST – 1,488 NM

Important Routes

- Paris – Nice 430 NM
- London – Paris 200 NM
- Geneva – Paris 230 NM
- London – Nice 650 NM
- London – Mykonos 1,350 NM
- New York – Miami 950 NM



Popular EU Routes

Average distance of
356.4 miles

Route	Annual Flights	Distance (km)	Distance (miles)	Flight Time (hrs)
London – Paris	3,357	343	185.2	~1
London – Nice	2,896	1,029	555.6	~2
Paris – Geneva	2,556	410	221.4	~1
London – Geneva	2,502	741	400.1	~1.5
London – Zurich	2,331	777	419.5	~1.5

Significant European Corporate Traffic

LHR
LGW

CDG
IST

FRA

AMS

State of the European BizAv Market

Fleet Composition and Availability:

As of February 2024, the European Union and Turkey housed a fleet of 4,883 business jets and turboprops, with 7.7% (375 aircraft) available for sale, up from 5.3% (253 aircraft) in February 2023.

Market Dynamics:

The European market remains a major hub of the global Business Aviation sector, though demand for aircraft has fallen back somewhat from its recent peak.

Market Growth and Projections:

The European business jet market is projected to grow from \$5.2 billion in 2025 to \$7.08 billion by 2030, reflecting a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 6.36%.

Flight Operations and Trends:

In 2024, Europe recorded 10.7 million flights, a 5% increase from 2023, reaching 96% of 2019 levels.

Business aviation flights in Europe were up 7.5% in the first half of 2024 compared to the same period in 2019.

Attractiveness of the European Market

Sustainability Focus: Europe has a strong regulatory and public push for sustainable aviation, with increased emphasis on reducing carbon emissions and adopting greener alternatives.

Public Perception & Protests: The industry has faced public scrutiny, including protests such as the spray-painting of private jets in 2023 and disruptions at the **Corporate Jet Investor** conference in London.

Regulatory Challenges: The EU has introduced stricter emissions policies, such as the **Fit for 55** initiative, aiming to reduce aviation emissions by 55% by 2030.

Advancing Green Technologies: Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and hybrid-electric aircraft are gaining traction as potential solutions to align with environmental expectations.

Competitive Advantage: Incorporating hybrid technology into aircraft can enhance acceptance in the European market, making business aviation more aligned with sustainability goals.

Financial Analysis of Corporate Aviation

- Cost per Hour
- Cost per Seat
- Cost per NM
- Revenue Passenger Miles



Cost Evaluations

- Empty Weight (W_e): 6000 lb
- Max Velocity (V) : 300 knots (506 ft/s)
- Number of flight test aircraft (FTA): 2
- Number to be produced in 5 years (Q): 50

Table 1: Formulas used from Aircraft Design by Daniel P. Raymer

Development	Production	Operational
\$28,185,500	\$757,470,000 For 100 aircraft	\$195,000

Costs per Hour, Mile and Seat:

Seat Capacity	Average Cost Per Hour	Average Range	Cost per seat
3	\$888.59	687.0	\$296.20
4	\$838.45	400.0	\$209.61
5	\$1,298.17	1460.5	\$259.63
6	\$1,747.15	1580.7	\$291.19
7	\$2,103.98	2261.0	\$300.57
8	\$3,011.36	2738.0	\$376.42
9	\$2,817.53	2941.0	\$313.06
10	\$3,208.03	3909.7	\$320.80
12	\$3,747.01	5667.7	\$312.25
13	\$4,460.96	4718.8	\$343.15
14	\$4,747.16	4363.0	\$339.08
15	\$3,544.71	2946.0	\$236.31
18	\$4,807.37	7102.7	\$267.08
19	\$7,146.04	5727.2	\$376.11

Fixed Costs

Category	Midsize Jet (Estimates)
Aircraft Acquisition Cost (Ownership)	\$15M - \$25M
Depreciation (Annual)	\$750K - \$1.5M
Hangar Fees (Annual)	\$30K - \$60K
Crew Salaries & Training (Annual)	\$500K - \$1M
Insurance (Annual)	\$50K - \$250K
Fuel Cost per Hour	\$3,500 - \$5,000
Maintenance & Repairs per Hour	\$800 - \$1,500
Landing & Handling Fees per Flight	\$500 - \$2,000
Catering & Passenger Services per Flight	\$500 - \$1,500
Charter Rate per Hour (Revenue)	\$5,000 - \$8,000

An aerial photograph of Seattle, Washington, showing the city's skyline, waterways, and surrounding greenery. Three Zunum Air electric aircraft are superimposed on the scene: one large regional jet in the upper left, one smaller regional jet in the lower left, and one smaller aircraft in the upper right. All aircraft feature a white body with blue and green stripes and the "ZUNUM" logo.

Thank You