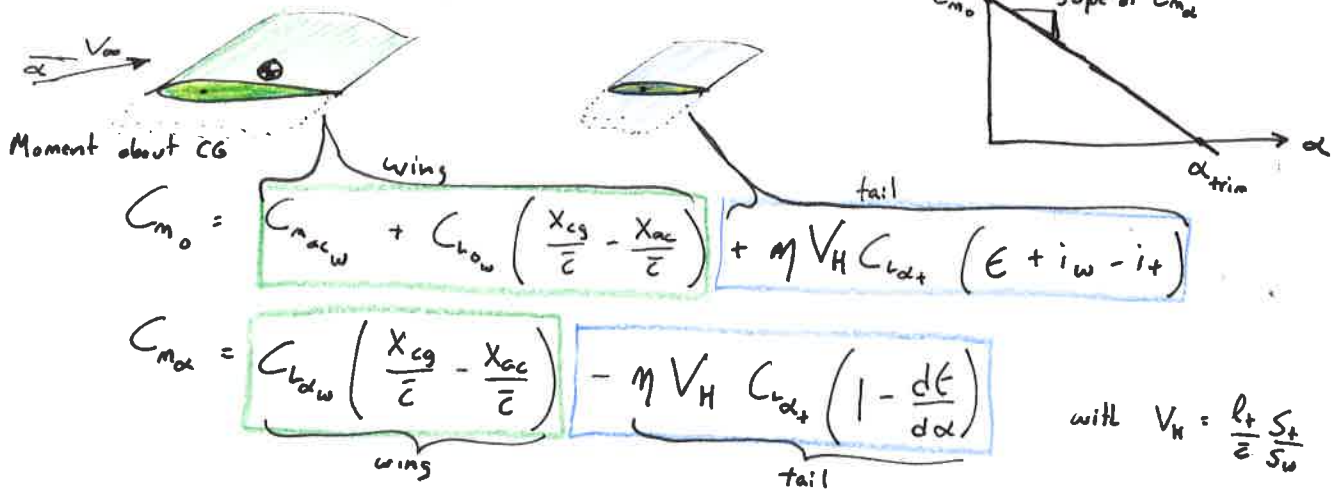


Lesson 14 part 2

Neutral Point + Static Margin

Fuselage + Propulsion
Effects on Static
Stability

Wing - Tail Static Stability



Trim α

$$y = ax + b \Rightarrow C_m = C_{m_{\alpha}} \alpha + C_{m_0}$$



$$0 = ax + b$$



$$x = -\frac{b}{a}$$



$$0 = C_{m_{\alpha}} \alpha_{trim} + C_{m_0}$$



$$\alpha_{trim} = -\frac{C_{m_0}}{C_{m_{\alpha}}}$$

$$\alpha_{trim} = \frac{C_{macw} + C_{low} \left(\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} \right) + \eta V_H C_{L_{\alpha t}} (\epsilon + i_w - i_t)}{C_{L_{\alpha w}} \left(\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} \right) - \eta V_H C_{L_{\alpha t}} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)}$$



+ \Rightarrow TED / LEU

- \Rightarrow TEU / LED

Q: How does increasing i_t (the tail incidence angle) affect trim?

A: "+" i_t (TED) lowers α_{trim}

Often, we place the CG near or on the A.C. for understanding the concepts and for a ^{usually!} safe estimate of CG on an unknown aircraft.

$$\alpha_{trim} = \frac{C_{macw} + C_{L\alpha} \left(\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} \right) + M V_H C_{L\alpha} (\epsilon_0 + i_w - i_t)}{C_{L\alpha} \left(\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} \right) - M V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)}$$

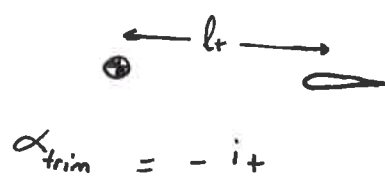
$$= \frac{C_{macw} + M V_H C_{L\alpha} (\epsilon_0 + i_w - i_t)}{M V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{C_{macw}}{M V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)} + \frac{\epsilon_0 + i_w - i_t}{1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha}}$$

$$= \frac{C_{macw}}{M V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)} + \frac{\epsilon_0 + i_w}{1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha}} - \frac{i_t}{1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha}}$$

\propto proportional to i_t

Q: In the absence of a wing, we have

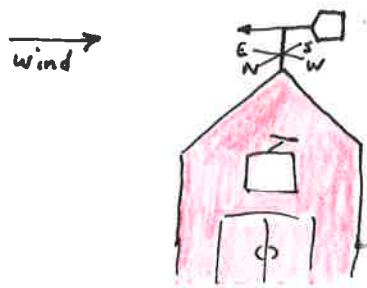


$$\frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} = 0 \text{ (no wing)}$$

$$C_{macw} = 0$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 0$$

We call this a wind vane



Propulsion Contribution

propulsion greatly affects the stability and trim of aircraft.

$$\uparrow$$

$$C_{m\alpha}$$

$$\uparrow$$

$$\alpha_{trim} = -\frac{C_{m_0}}{C_{m\alpha}}$$

• Dynamic pressure $q \equiv \frac{\rho}{2} V^2$



stability (cg at ac)

$$C_{m\alpha} = -\eta V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{dc}{d\alpha}\right)$$

This is particularly true at low speeds for propeller aircraft.

η is proportional to V^2

Trim (cg at ac)

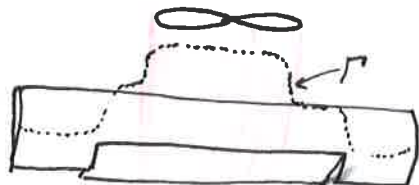
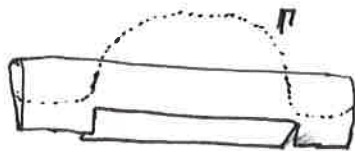
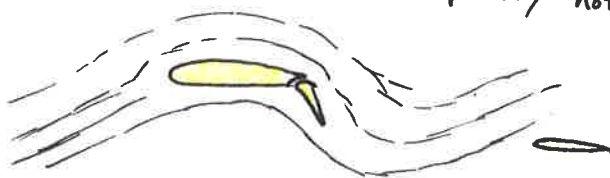
$$\alpha_{trim} = \frac{C_{m_{acw}}}{\eta V_H C_{L\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{dc}{d\alpha}\right)} + \text{Constant} - \frac{it}{1 - \frac{dc}{d\alpha}}$$

$C_{m_{acw}}$ is usually negative.

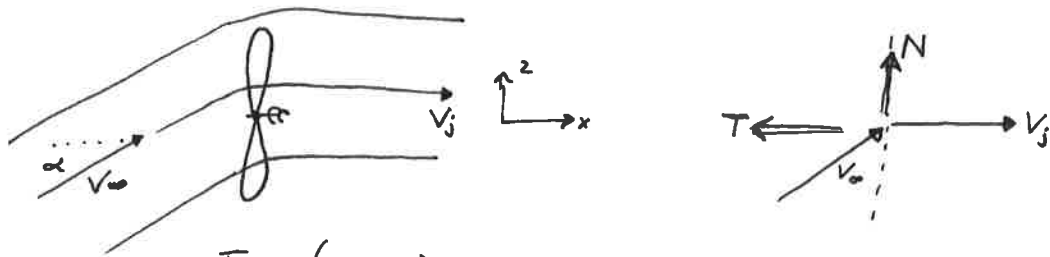
Adding power in a propeller a/c tends to raise the nose from η with T in line with a.c.

• Down wash

propulsion can change the lift distribution of the wing, which impacts the tail. This is especially notable in a flap condition.



• Normal Forces



$$T = \dot{m}(V_j - V_{\infty}) \text{ vector quantity!}$$

In x-direction,

$$T = \dot{m}(V_{j_x} - V_{\infty_x}) = \dot{m}(V_j \cos \alpha - V_{\infty} \cos \alpha) \approx \dot{m} V_j \alpha \text{ for small } \alpha$$

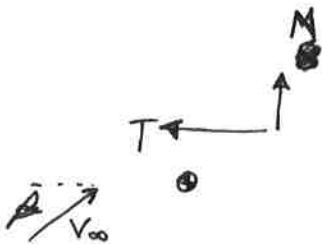
In z-direction:

$$\begin{aligned} N &= -\dot{m}(V_{j_z} - V_{\infty_z}) = -\dot{m}(V_j \sin \alpha - V_{\infty} \sin \alpha) \approx -\dot{m} V_j \alpha \text{ for small } \alpha \\ &= -\dot{m}(V_j - V_{\infty}) \alpha \\ &= +\dot{m} V_{\infty} \alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$N = \dot{m} V_{\infty} \alpha \approx \rho V A V_{\infty} \alpha$$

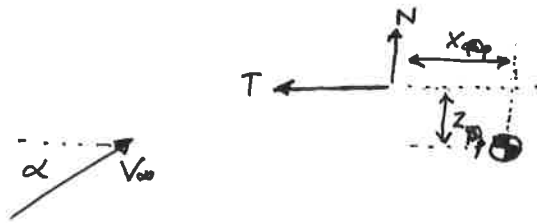
$$\approx \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 A \alpha^2$$

$$\dot{m} = \frac{T}{V_j - V_{\infty}} \Rightarrow N = \dot{m} V_{\infty} \alpha = \frac{T V_{\infty}}{V_j - V_{\infty}} \alpha$$



This also occurs with side slip.

• Thrust Moment



X_p = horizontal fit distance
 Z_p = vertical fit distance

$$C_{m_{cgP}} = -\frac{T \cdot Z_p}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S_w \bar{c}_w} + \frac{N \cdot X_p}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S_w \bar{c}_w}$$

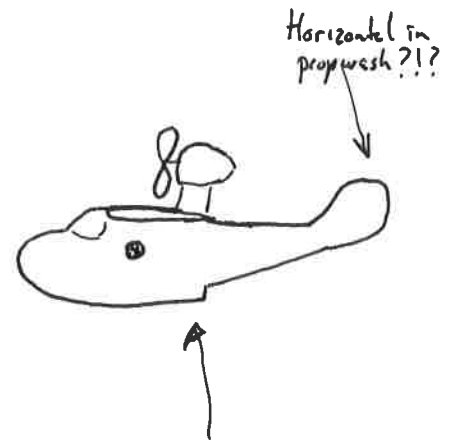
$$= -\frac{T}{\rho S_w} \cdot \frac{Z_p}{\bar{c}_w} + \frac{N}{\rho S_w} \cdot \frac{X_p}{\bar{c}_w}$$

for our Normal force model,

$$N \approx \rho A_p 2\alpha$$

$$C_{m_{cgP}} = -\frac{T}{\rho S_w} \cdot \frac{Z_p}{\bar{c}_w} + \frac{\rho A_p 2\alpha}{\rho S_w} \cdot \frac{X_p}{\bar{c}_w}$$

$$= -\frac{T}{\rho S_w} \cdot \frac{Z_p}{\bar{c}_w} + \frac{A_p}{S_w} 2\alpha \frac{X_p}{\bar{c}_w}$$

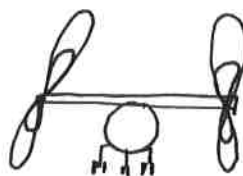


Notice:

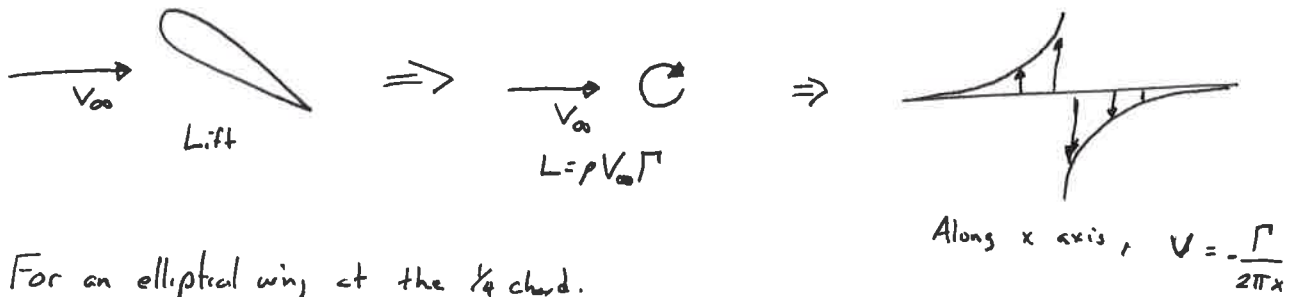
- The Thrust term contributes to trim (C_{m_0}) Seaplanes!
- The Normal force term decreases stability for forward ($X_p > 0$) locations

$$C_{m_{\alpha_{cgP}}} = \frac{dC_{m_{cgP}}}{d\alpha} = \frac{A_p}{S_w} 2 \frac{X_p}{\bar{c}_w}$$

Aircraft with large disk areas ^{forward of cg} have less stability w power tilt rotors!



How does ϵ vary?



For an elliptical wing at the $\frac{1}{4}$ chord.

$$\epsilon = \frac{2C_L}{\pi AR} \Rightarrow \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} = \frac{2C_{L\alpha}}{\pi AR} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_0 = \frac{2C_{L_0}}{\pi AR}$$

In the C_m terms, we see ϵ_0 and $1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha}$ often.

Vary \bar{u} Mach

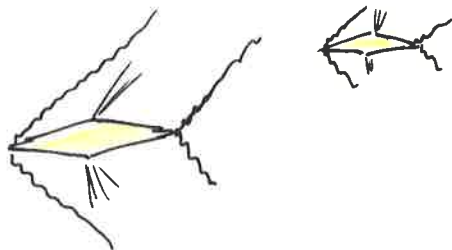
Subsonic

$$\left(\frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)_M \approx \left(\frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)_{M=0} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-M^2}} \quad \text{Prandtl-Glauert } \beta$$

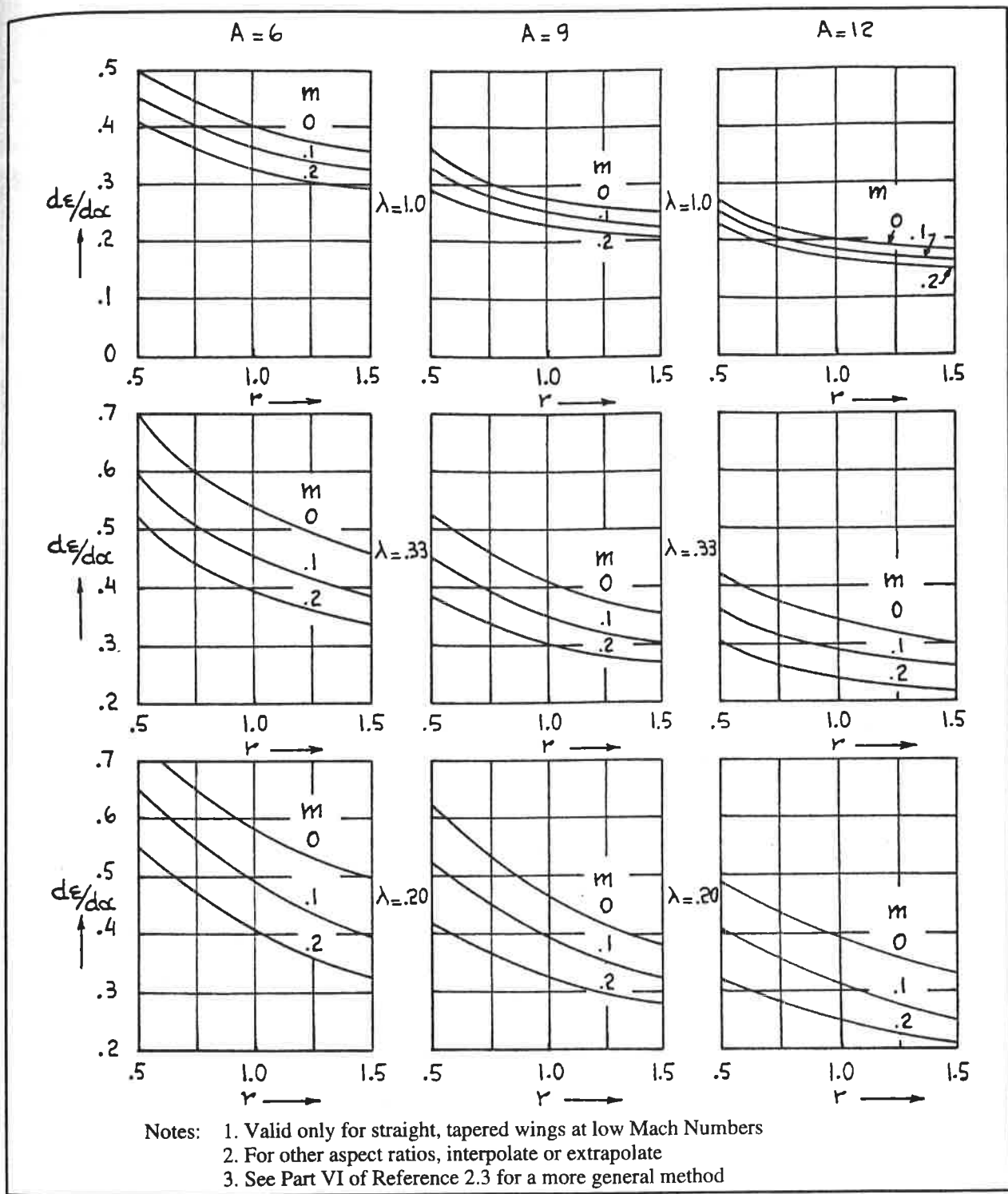
$$\approx \left(\frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)_{M=0} \cdot \frac{C_{L\alpha M}}{C_{L\alpha M=0}}$$

Supersonic

depends on geometry
and
Mach #



Although, in the limit as $x \rightarrow \infty$ large, the wake appears similar to subsonic.



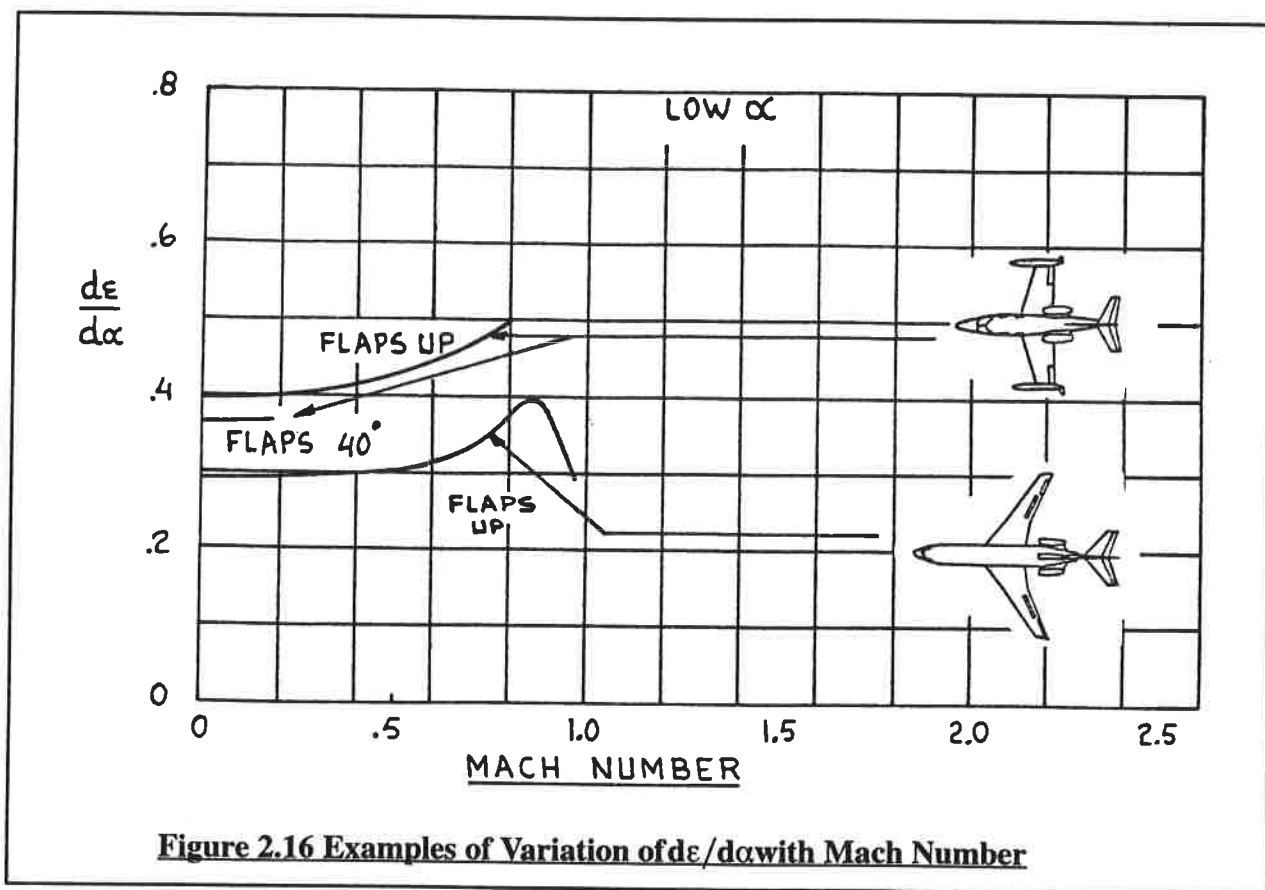
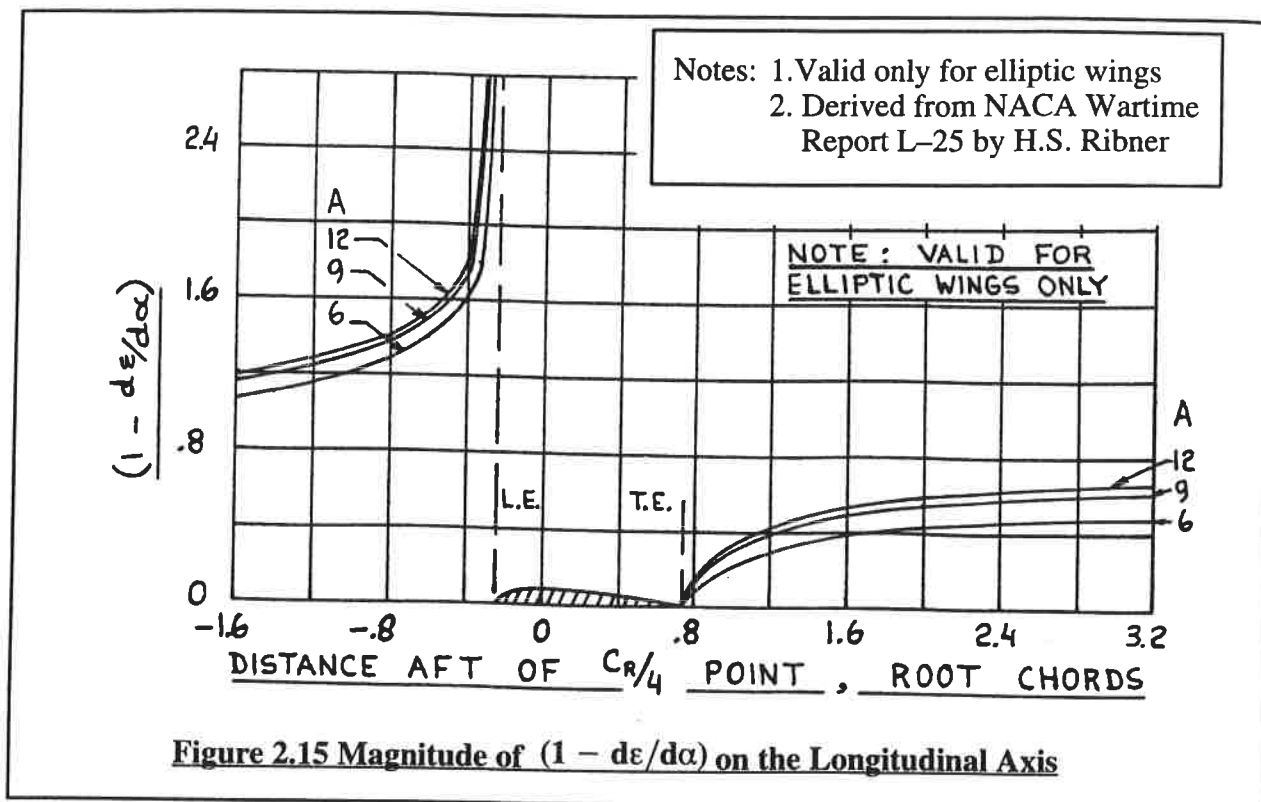
- Notes: 1. Valid only for straight, tapered wings at low Mach Numbers
 2. For other aspect ratios, interpolate or extrapolate
 3. See Part VI of Reference 2.3 for a more general method

$$m = \frac{\text{Vertical distance of horizontal tail } 0.25\bar{c}_h \text{ above/below the wing zero lift line}}{b/2}$$

$$r = \frac{\text{Longitudinal distance of } 0.25c_r \text{ toward the horizontal tail } 0.25\bar{c}_h \text{ location}}{b/2}$$

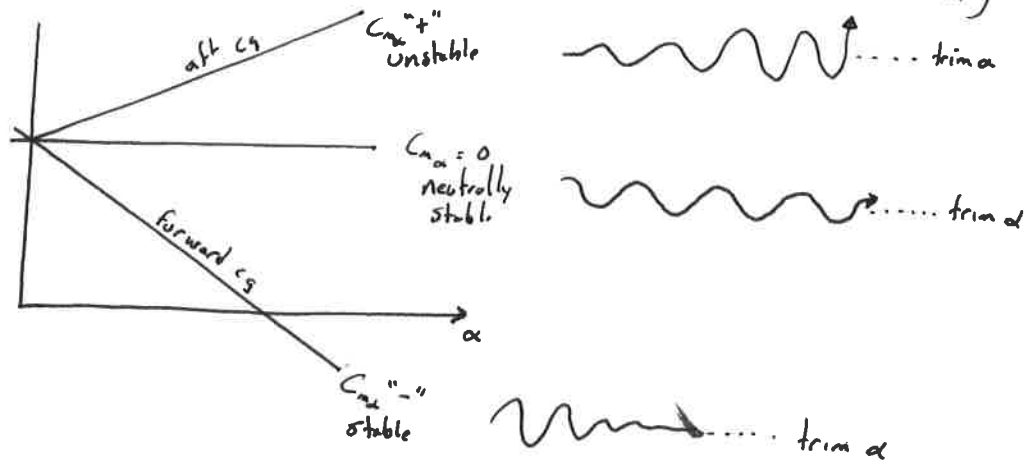
Figure 2.14 Effect of Wing Aspect Ratio and Horizontal Tail Location on the Downwash Gradient

Roskam



Neutral point (Stick Fixed)

The CG location where $C_{m\alpha} = 0$ (neutrally stable aircraft)



$$C_{m\alpha} = C_{L\alpha w} \left(\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} \right) + C_{m\alpha f} + C_{m\alpha stores} + \eta V_H C_{L\alpha t} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)$$

$0 =$ → ↑ find this

Rearrange:

$$\frac{x_{cg}}{\bar{c}} = \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{C_{m\alpha f} + C_{m\alpha stores}}{C_{L\alpha w}} + \frac{\eta V_H C_{L\alpha t} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)}{C_{L\alpha w}}$$

$\approx \frac{1}{4} \bar{c}$ for subsonic small? tail

$$= \frac{x_{NP}}{\bar{c}} \approx \frac{x_{ac}}{\bar{c}} + \eta V_H \frac{C_{L\alpha t}}{C_{L\alpha w}} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha} \right)$$

CG test before flying!

Static Margin

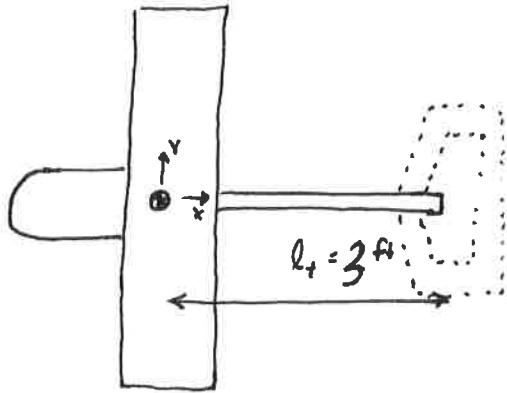
The distance between the neutral point and the actual $\frac{CG}{\bar{c}}$.

$SM \approx 10\% - 15\%$ is ok

$SM \approx 2\% - 5\%$ is not pleasant to fly (usually)

$SM > 25\%$ is often too stable and not trimmable at low speeds.

Ex: Size the horizontal tail for a static margin of 10% with the CG at $\frac{1}{4}c$



$$b = 4 \text{ ft} \\ S = 459 \text{ ft}^2 \Rightarrow AR \approx 4$$

$$AR_w \approx AR_t$$



$$\text{Lookup } \frac{dC_L}{d\alpha} \approx 0.35$$

$$SM = +\frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} = 10\% \Rightarrow \frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} = +0.10 + 0.25 = 0.35$$



Assuming no power or fuselage effects.

$$\frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} = \frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} + \eta V_H \frac{C_{L_{HT}}}{C_{L_{HW}}} \left(1 - \frac{dC_L}{d\alpha}\right)$$

$$\text{Solve for } V_H = \frac{0.35 - 0.25}{1.1 \cdot 0.65} = \frac{0.10}{0.65} = 0.15$$

$$V_H = \frac{l_t}{\bar{c}} \frac{S_t}{S_w} = 0.15 \Rightarrow S_t = 0.15 \frac{S_w \bar{c}}{l_t}$$

$$= \frac{0.15 \cdot 4 \text{ ft}^2 \cdot 1 \text{ ft}}{3 \text{ ft}} \approx 0.2 \text{ ft}^2$$

Ex: Same Aircraft but CG at 75% c

$$SM = \frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} = 10\% \Rightarrow \frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} = 85\%$$

$$\frac{X_{NP}}{\bar{c}} = \frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} + \eta V_H \frac{C_{L_{HT}}}{C_{L_{HT}} \left(1 - \frac{d\epsilon}{d\alpha}\right)} \quad V_H \approx 0.85$$

$$0.8 = 0.25 + \frac{\frac{3}{4} S_t}{\frac{5}{4} S_t} 0.65 \Rightarrow S_t = (0.8 - 0.25) \cdot \frac{4}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{0.65}$$

$$S_t = 1.13 \text{ ft}^2$$

We would also need to check C_{m_0} to ensure that the horizontal is operating at a reasonable C_L for a given α trim range.

$$C_{m_0} = 0 = C_{m_{HT}} + C_{m_{HT}} \left(\frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} - \frac{X_{HT}}{\bar{c}} \right) + \eta V_H C_{L_{HT}} \left(\frac{X_{CG}}{\bar{c}} + \frac{1}{V_H} i_t \right)$$

$$0.85 \cdot 4.2 (-i_t) + 0.1 + 0.1(0.5) = 0$$

$$i_t \approx -0.04 \text{ rad} \approx -2.4^\circ \text{ reasonable}$$



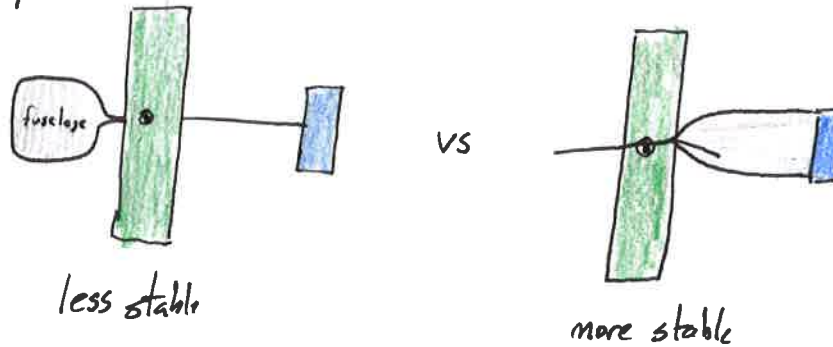
$$\alpha_{trim} = -\frac{C_{m_0}}{C_{m_\alpha}} = \frac{0}{\dots} = 0$$

Obviously since we specified that $C_{m_0} = 0$!

Trimmed for $C_L = 0$

Fuselage Contribution

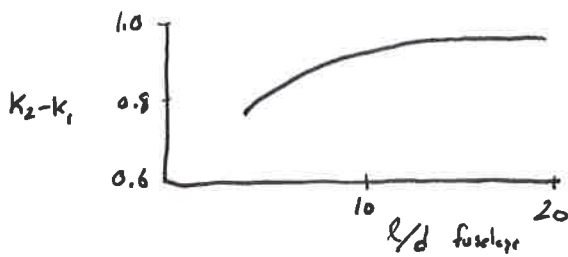
The fuselage generates lift and drag and moments. Neglecting the impact is a serious error.



Multhopp's method for computing $C_{m_{of}}$ and $C_{m_{\alpha f}}$ is: NACA TM-1036, 1942

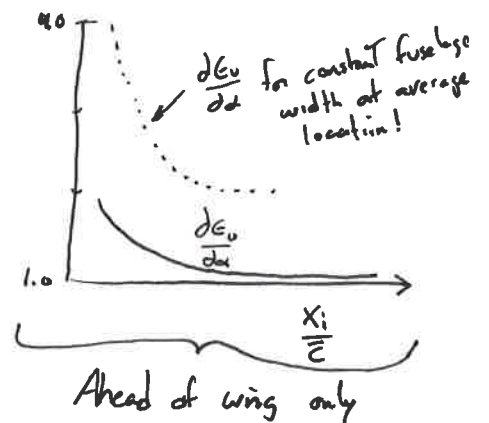
$$C_{m_{of}} = \frac{k_2 - k_1}{36.5 \cdot S \cdot \bar{z}} \int_0^{l_f} w_f^2 (\alpha_{ow} + i_f) dx$$

$$\approx \frac{k_2 - k_1}{36.5 \cdot S \cdot \bar{z}} \sum w_f^2 (\alpha_{ow} + i_f) \Delta x$$



w_f = fuselage width
 i_f = incidence fuselage (+ < / - < / >)

$$C_{m_{\alpha f}} = \frac{1}{36.5 \cdot S \cdot \bar{z}} \int_0^{l_f} w_f \frac{\partial E}{\partial \alpha} dx$$



\bar{x} is an average/integrated term

$$\frac{\partial E_u}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{x_i}{l_h} \left(1 - \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \alpha} \right)$$

behind wing

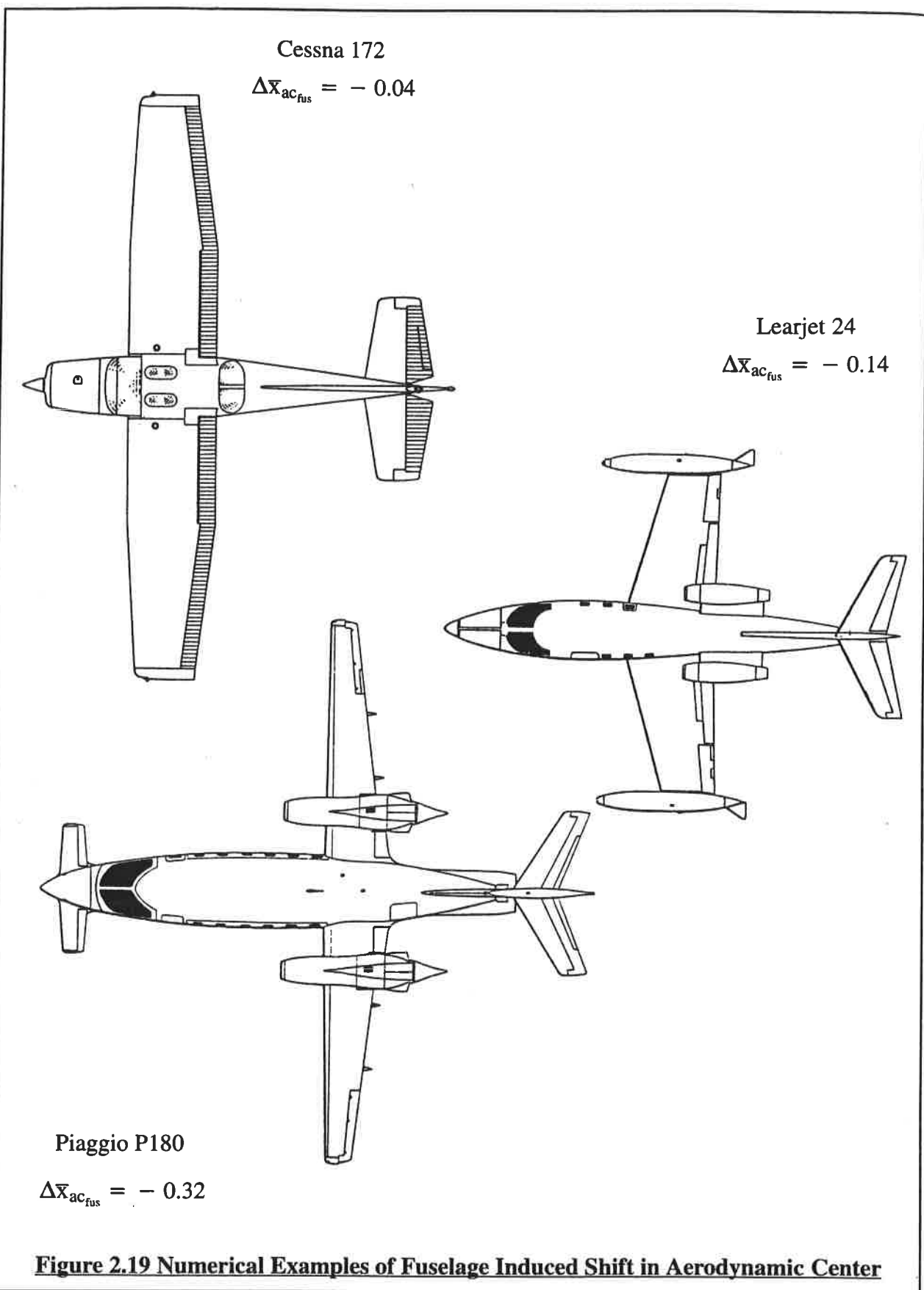
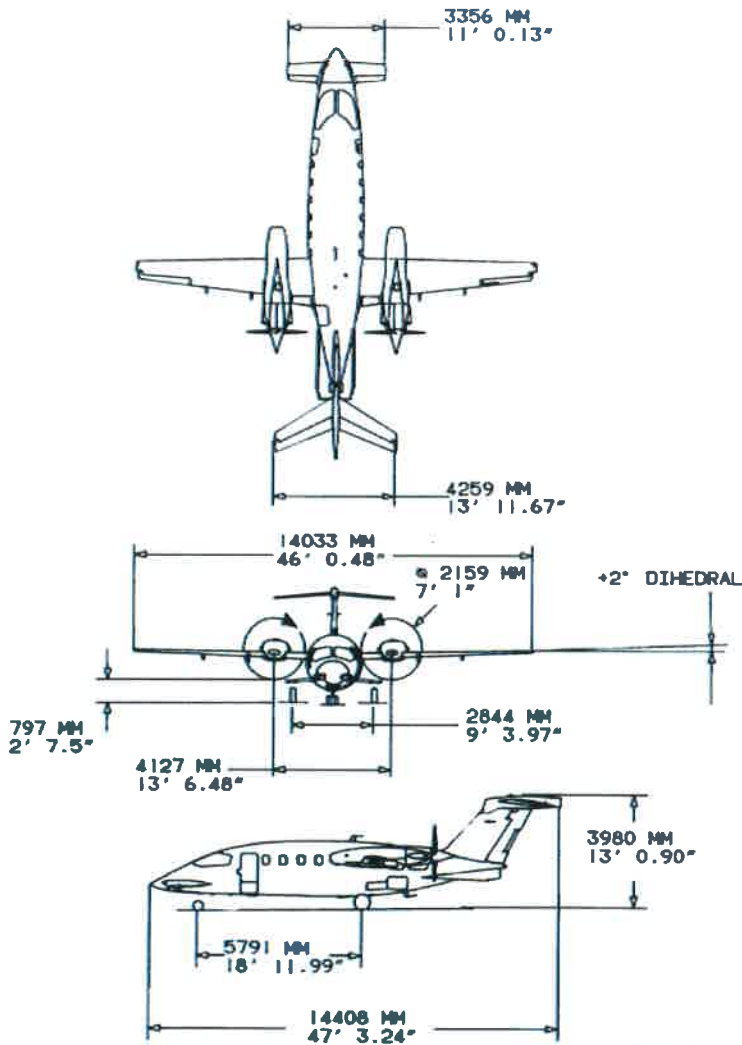


Figure 2.19 Numerical Examples of Fuselage Induced Shift in Aerodynamic Center

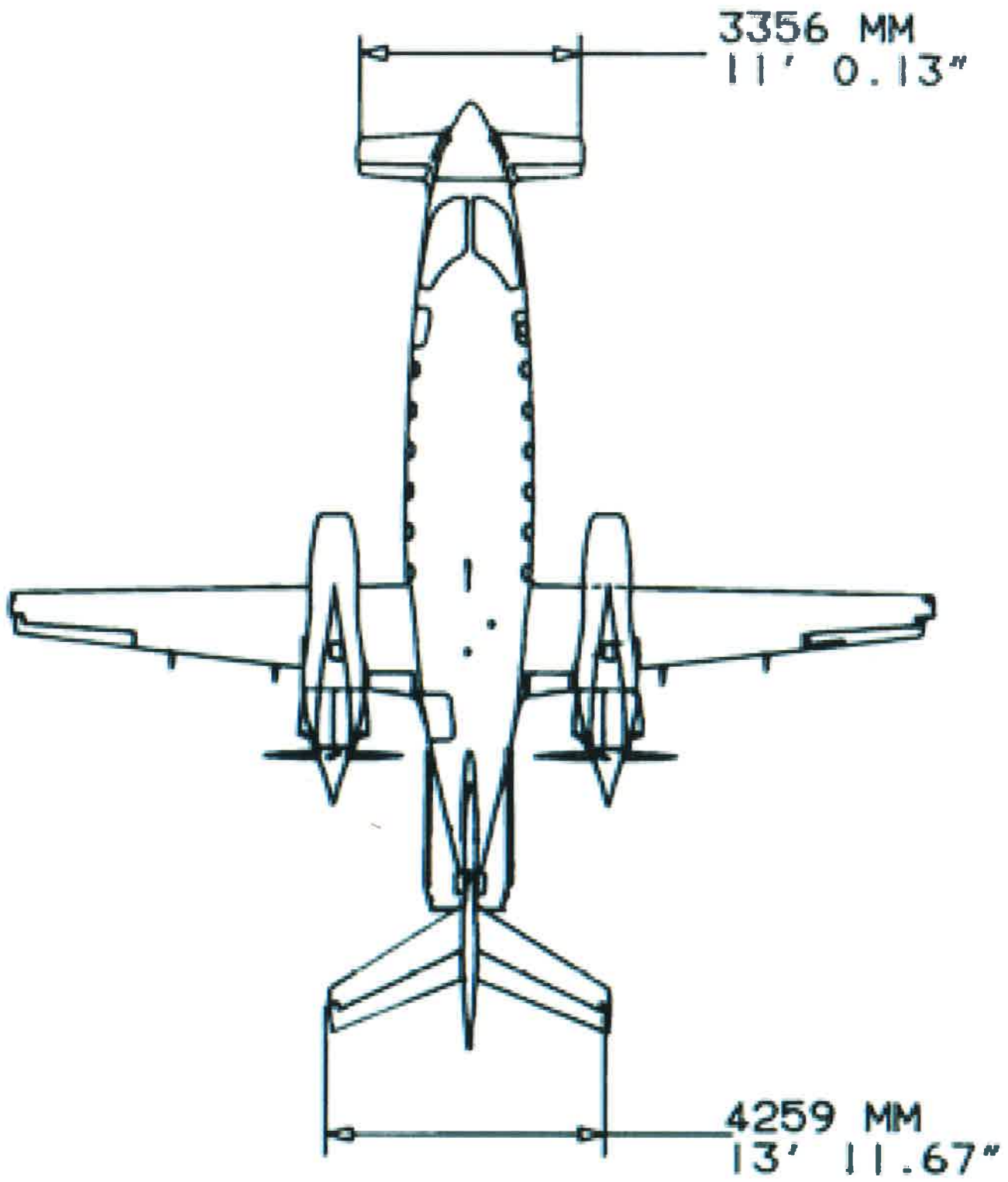


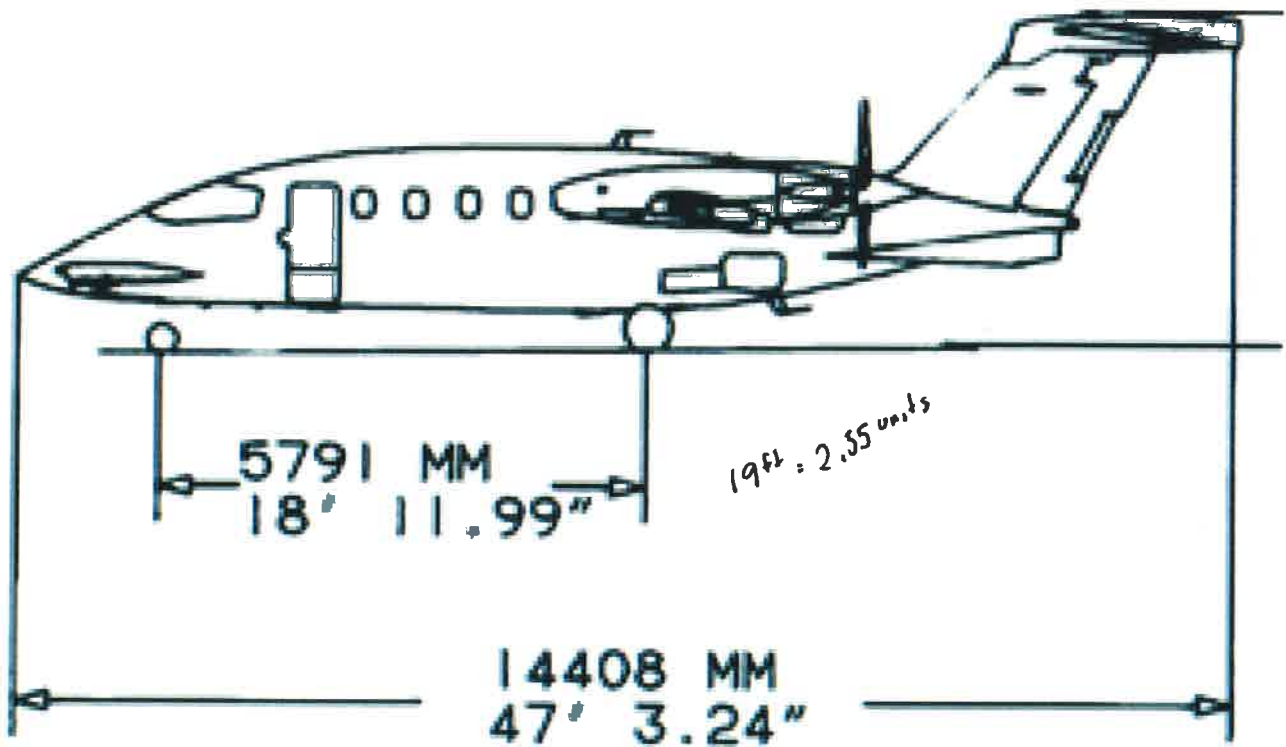
Piaggio 180

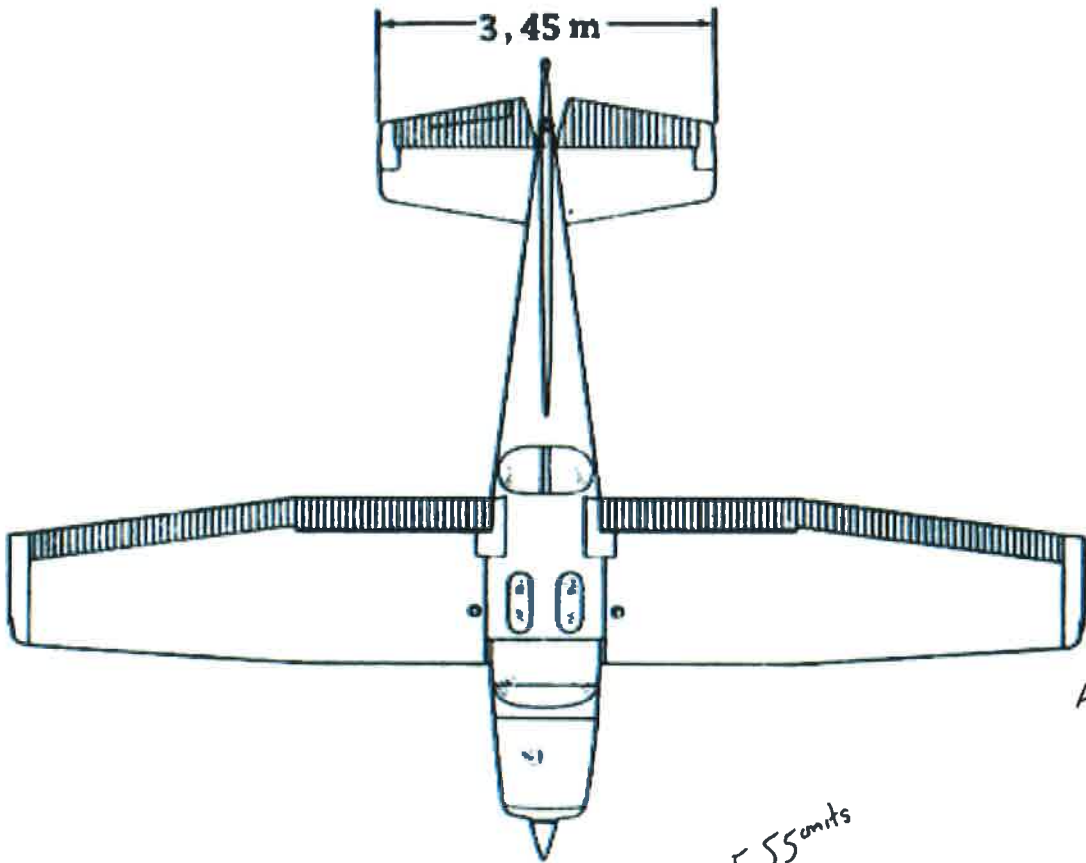
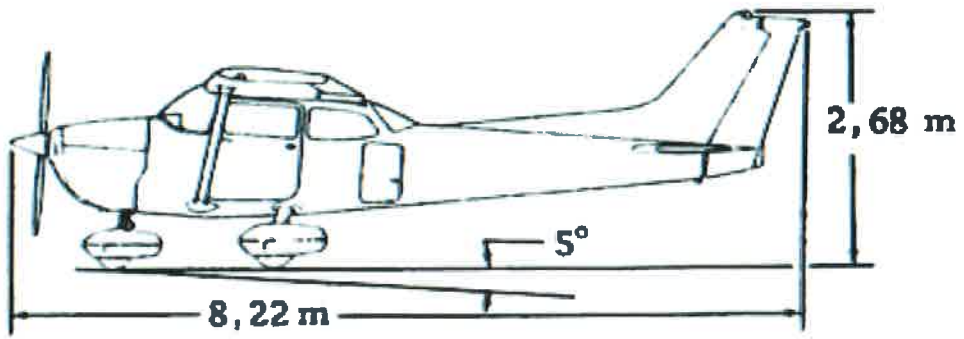
Avanti = "Forward"
"Advance"

$$AR = \frac{b^2}{s} = \frac{(464)^2}{172} \approx$$

$$C_{L_d} \approx \frac{C_{D_a}}{1 + \frac{C_{D_a}}{\pi AR}}$$







AR = 7.32
 S = 174 ft²
 C =

