

APPENDIX B

Geometric, Mass, and Aerodynamic Characteristics of Selected Airplanes

Data on the geometric, mass, and aerodynamic stability and control characteristics are presented for seven airplanes. The airplanes include a general aviation airplane, two jet fighters, an executive business jet, two jet transports, and a STOL transport. The stability coefficients are presented in tabular form for each airplane. Coefficients that were unavailable have been presented with a numerical value of 0 in the following tables. The stability coefficients for the A-4D are presented in graphical form as a function of the Mach number and altitude. These plots show the large variations in the coefficients due to compressibility effects. The definitions of the stability coefficients and geometric data presented in the figures are given in the following nomenclature list. The information presented in this appendix was taken from [B.1], [B.2] and [B.3] given after the nomenclature list.

NOMENCLATURE

b Wing span	$C_{L_\alpha} = \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \alpha} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
\bar{c} Mean chord	$C_{L_{\dot{\alpha}}} = \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \left(\frac{\dot{\alpha} \bar{c}}{2u_0} \right)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_L = \frac{L}{QS}$	
$C_{L_M} = \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial M}$	$C_{l_{\delta_a}} = \frac{\partial C_l}{\partial \delta_r} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_{L_{\delta_e}} = \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \delta_e} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{l_{\delta_r}} = \frac{\partial C_l}{\partial \delta_r} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_D = \frac{D}{QS}$	$C_n = \frac{N}{QSb}$
$C_{D_\alpha} = \frac{\partial C_D}{\partial \alpha} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{n_\beta} = \frac{\partial C_n}{\partial \beta} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$

$C_{D_M} = \frac{\partial C_D}{\partial M}$	$C_{n_p} = \frac{\partial C_n}{\partial (pb/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_{D_{\delta_e}} = \frac{\partial C_D}{\partial \delta_e} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{n_r} = \frac{\partial C_n}{\partial (rb/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_m = \frac{M}{QS\bar{c}}$	$C_{m_{\dot{\alpha}}} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial (\dot{\alpha}\bar{c}/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_{m_{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial \alpha} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{m_M} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial M}$
$C_y = \frac{Y}{QS}$	$C_{m_q} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial (q\bar{c}/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_{y_{\beta}} = \frac{\partial C_y}{\partial \beta} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{n_{\delta_a}} = \frac{\partial C_n}{\partial \delta_a} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_{y_{\delta_r}} = \frac{\partial C_y}{\partial \delta_r} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	$C_{n_{\delta_r}} = \frac{\partial C_n}{\partial \delta_r} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$
$C_l = \frac{L}{QSb}$	I_x Rolling moment of inertia
$C_{l_{\beta}} = \frac{\partial C_l}{\partial \beta} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	I_y Pitching moment of inertia
$C_{l_p} = \frac{\partial C_l}{\partial (pb/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	I_z Yawing moment of inertia
$C_{l_r} = \frac{\partial C_l}{\partial (rb/2u_0)} \text{ (rad}^{-1}\text{)}$	I_{xz} Product of inertia about xz axis
	M Mach number
	Q Dynamic pressure
	S Wing planform area
	u_0 Reference flight speed

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TABLE B.1
General aviation airplane: NAVION

Longitudinal M = 0.158	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	C_{Lq}	C_{mq}	C_{LM}	C_{DM}	C_{mM}	$C_{L\delta_e}$	$C_{m\delta_e}$
Sea level	0.41	0.05	4.44	0.33	-0.683	0.0	-4.36	3.8	-9.96	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.355	-0.923
Lateral M = 0.158	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	C_{lp}	C_{np}	C_{lr}	C_{nr}	$C_{l\delta_a}$	$C_{n\delta_a}$	$C_{y\delta_r}$	$C_{l\delta_r}$	$C_{n\delta_r}$		
Sea level	-0.564	-0.074	-0.071	-0.410	-0.0575	0.107	-0.125	-0.134	-0.0035	0.157	0.107	-0.072		

Note: All derivatives are per radian.

**Center of gravity and
mass characteristics**

$W = 2,750 \text{ lbs}$
 $\text{CG at } 29.5\% \text{ MAC}$
 $I_x = 1048 \text{ slug}\cdot\text{ft}^2$
 $I_y = 3000 \text{ slug}\cdot\text{ft}^2$
 $I_z = 3530 \text{ slug}\cdot\text{ft}^2$
 $I_{xz} = 0$

Reference geometry

$S = 184 \text{ ft}^2$
 $b = 33.4 \text{ ft}$
 $\bar{c} = 5.7 \text{ ft}$

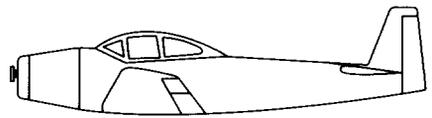
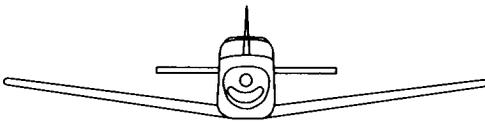
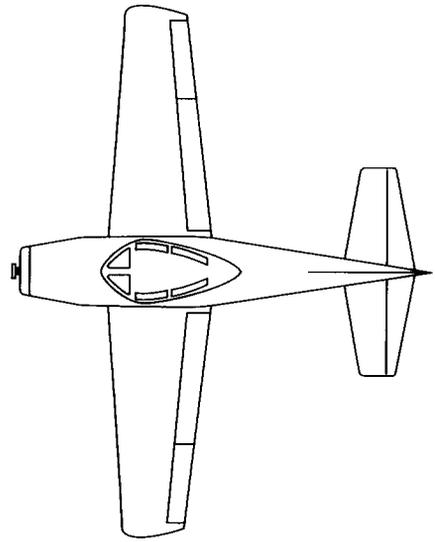


FIGURE B.1

Three-view sketch and stability data for a general aviation airplane.

TABLE B.2
Fighter aircraft: F104-A

Longitudinal	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	C_{Lq}	C_{mq}	C_{LM}	C_{DM}	C_{MM}	$C_{L\dot{\delta}_e}$	$C_{m\dot{\delta}_e}$
M = 0.257														
Sea level	0.735	0.263	3.44	0.45	-0.64	0.0	-1.6	0.0	-5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.68	-1.46
M = 1.8														
55,000 ft	0.2	0.055	2.0	0.38	-1.30	0.0	-2.0	0.0	-4.8	-0.2	0.0	-0.01	0.52	-0.10
Lateral	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	C_{lp}	C_{nr}	C_{lr}	C_{nr}	$C_{l\delta_a}$	$C_{n\delta_a}$	$C_{y\delta_r}$	$C_{l\delta_r}$	$C_{n\delta_r}$		
M = 0.257														
Sea level	-1.17	-0.175	0.50	-0.285	-0.14	0.265	-0.75	0.039	0.0042	0.208	0.045	-0.16		
M = 1.8														
55,000 ft	-1.0	-0.09	0.24	-0.27	-0.09	0.15	-0.65	0.017	0.0025	0.05	0.008	-0.04		

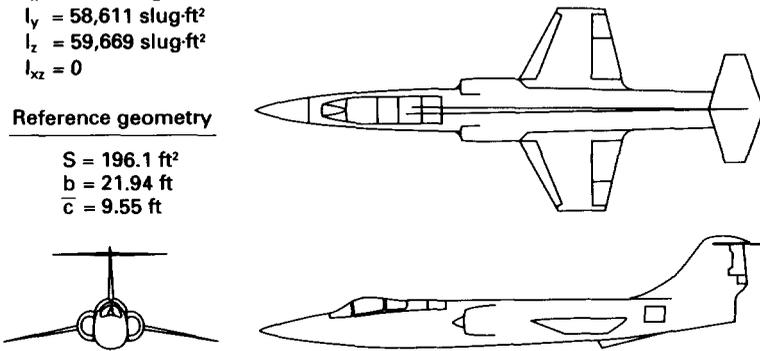
Note: All derivatives are per radian.

**Center of gravity and
mass characteristics**

$W = 16,300 \text{ lb}$
CG at 7% MAC
 $I_x = 3549 \text{ slug-ft}^2$
 $I_y = 58,611 \text{ slug-ft}^2$
 $I_z = 59,669 \text{ slug-ft}^2$
 $I_{xz} = 0$

Reference geometry

$S = 196.1 \text{ ft}^2$
 $b = 21.94 \text{ ft}$
 $\bar{c} = 9.55 \text{ ft}$

**FIGURE B.2**

Three-view sketch and stability data for the F-104-A fighter.

TABLE B.3
Fighter aircraft: A-4D

Longitudinal	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	C_{Lq}	C_{mq}	C_{LM}	C_{DM}	C_{mM}	$C_{L\delta_e}$	$C_{m\delta_e}$
M = 0.4														
Sea level	0.28	0.03	3.45	0.30	-0.38	0.72	-1.1	0.0	-3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.36	-0.50
M = 0.8														
35,000 ft	0.30	0.038	4.0	0.56	-0.41	1.12	-1.65	0.0	-4.3	0.15	0.03	-0.05	0.4	-0.60
Lateral	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	C_{l_p}	C_{n_p}	C_{l_r}	C_{n_r}	$C_{l\delta_a}$	$C_{n\delta_a}$	$C_{y\delta_r}$	$C_{l\delta_r}$	$C_{n\delta_r}$		
M = 0.4														
Sea level	-0.98	-0.12	0.25	-0.26	0.022	0.14	-0.35	0.08	0.06	0.17	-0.105	0.032		
M = 0.8														
35,000 ft	-1.04	-0.14	0.27	-0.24	0.029	0.17	-0.39	0.072	0.04	0.17	-0.105	0.032		

Note: All derivatives are per radian.

Center of gravity and mass characteristics

$W = 17,578 \text{ lb}$
 CG at 25% MAC
 $I_x = 8090 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_y = 25,900 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_z = 29,200 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_{xz} = 1300 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

Reference geometry

$S = 260 \text{ ft}^2$
 $b = 27.5 \text{ ft}$
 $\bar{c} = 10.8 \text{ ft}$

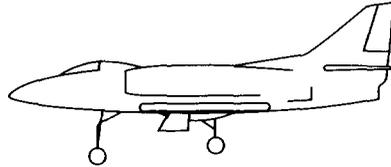
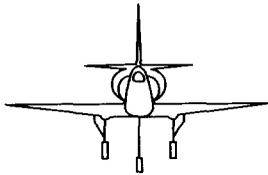
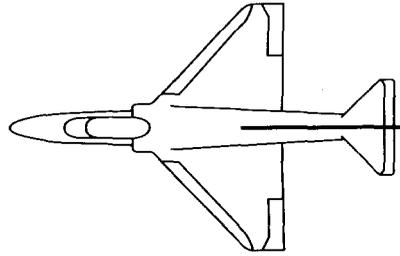


FIGURE B.3

Three-view sketch and stability data for the A-4D fighter.

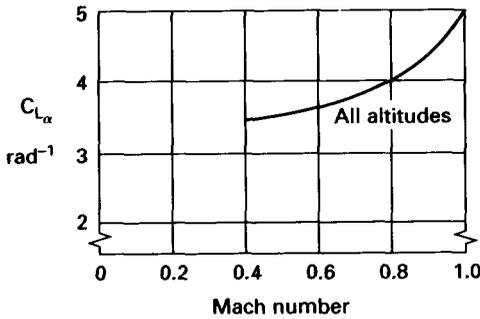


FIGURE B.4

$C_{L_{\alpha}}$ versus the Mach number.

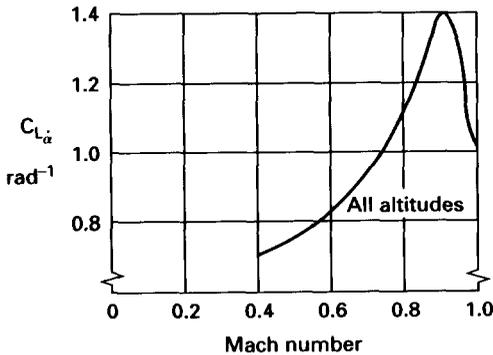


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$C_{L_{\dot{\alpha}}}$ versus the Mach number.

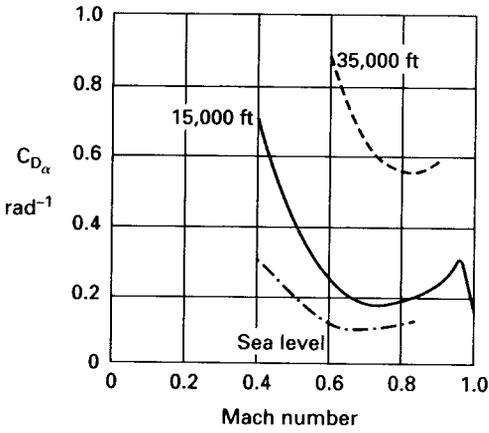


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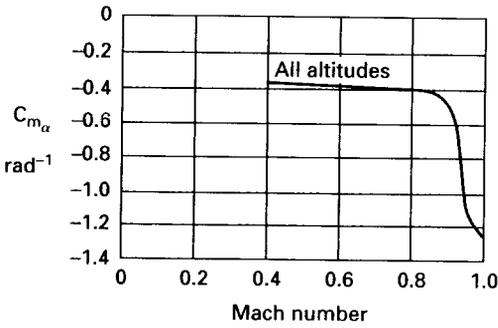


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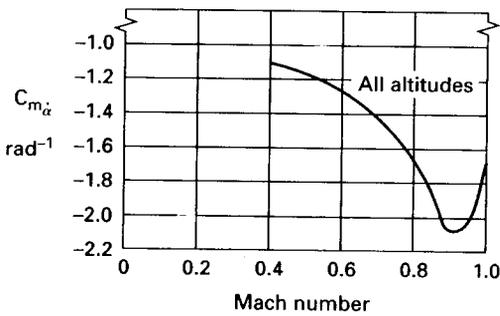


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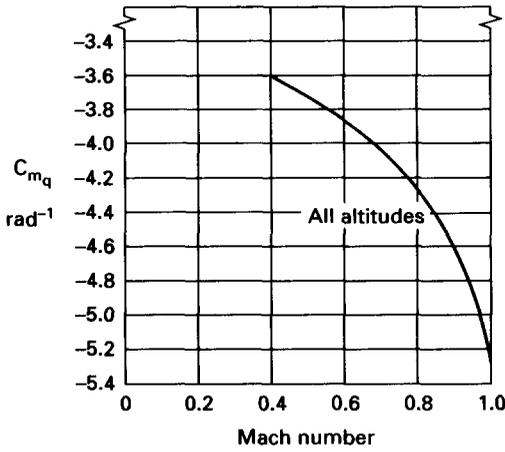


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 C_{m_q} versus the Mach number.

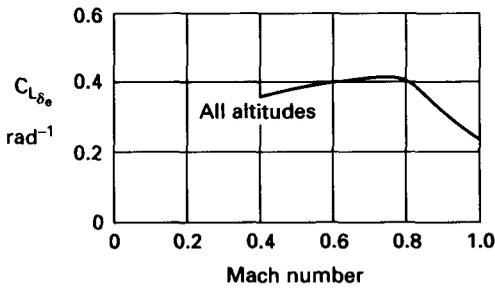


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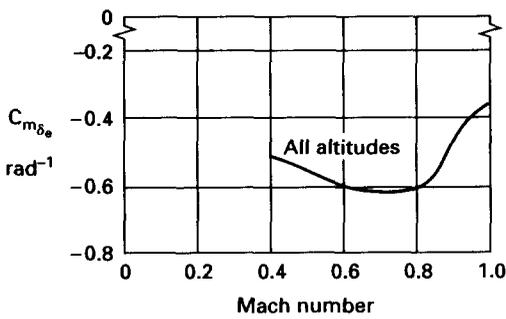


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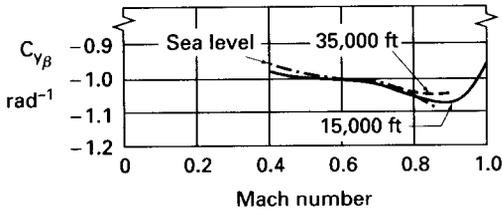


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 $C_{y\beta}$ versus the Mach number.

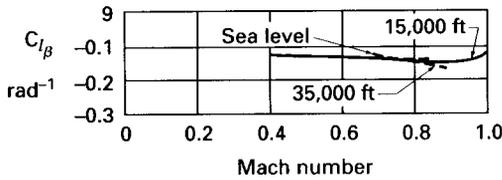


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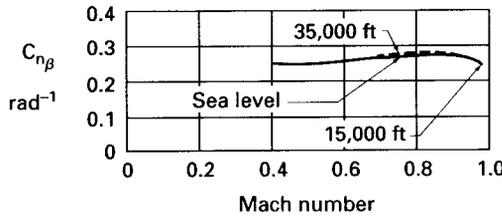


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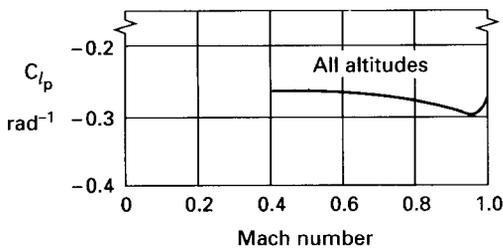


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 C_{l_p} versus the Mach number.

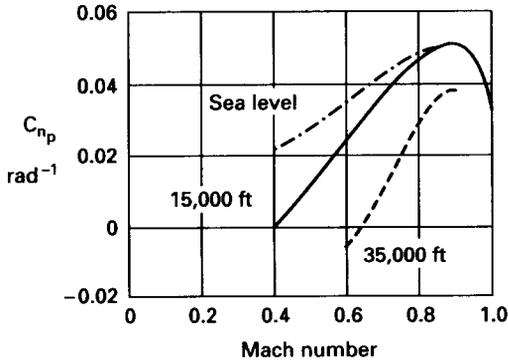


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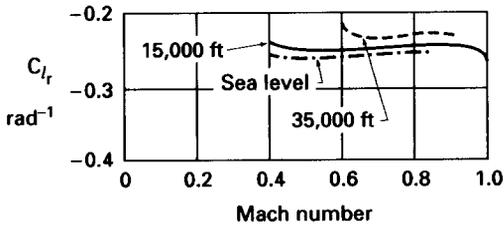


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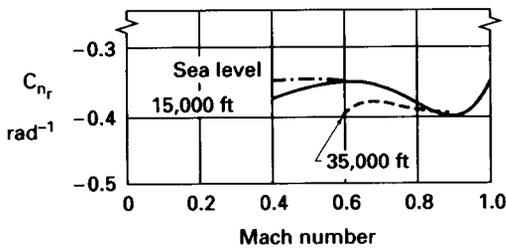


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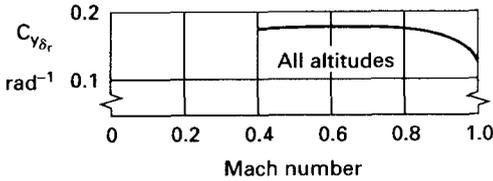


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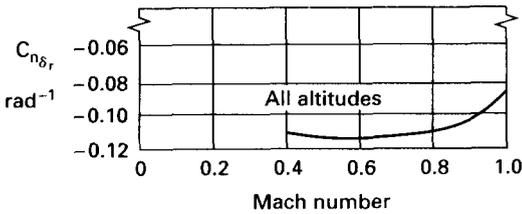


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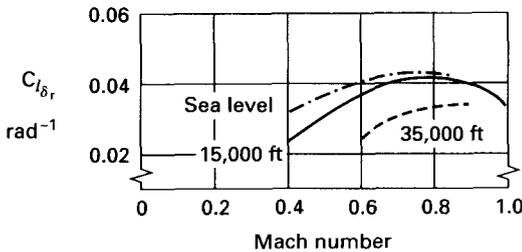


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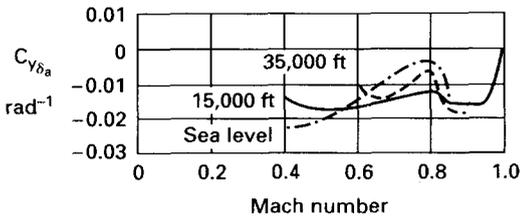


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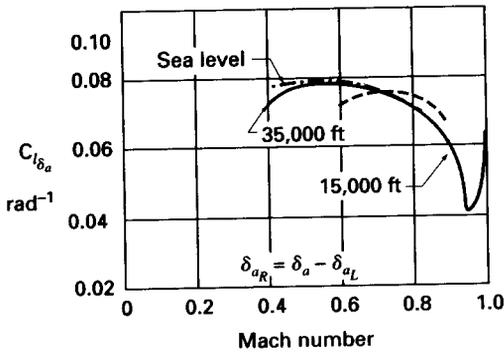


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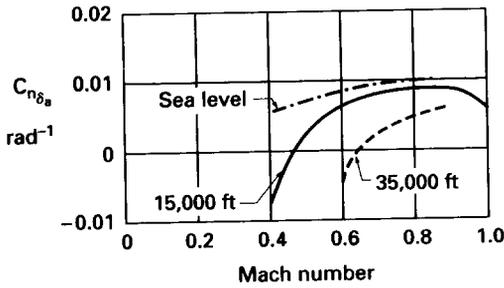


FIGURE B.24
 $C_{n_{\delta_a}}$ versus the Mach number.

TABLE B.25
Business Jet: Jetstar

Longitudinal	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{i\dot{q}}$	$C_{m\dot{q}}$	C_{LM}	C_{DM}	C_{mM}	$C_{L\delta_e}$	$C_{m\delta_e}$
M = 0.20														
Sea level	0.737	0.095	5.0	0.75	-0.80	0.0	-3.0	0.0	-8.0	0.0	0.0	-0.05	0.4	-0.81
M = 0.80														
40,000 ft	0.4	0.04	6.5	0.60	-0.72	0.0	-0.4	0.0	-0.92	0.0	-0.6	-0.60	0.44	-0.88
Lateral	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{i\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\dot{\beta}}$	$C_{l\dot{r}}$	$C_{n\dot{r}}$	$C_{l\delta_a}$	$C_{n\delta_a}$	$C_{y\delta_r}$	$C_{l\delta_r}$	$C_{n\delta_r}$		
M = 0.20														
Sea level	-0.72	-0.103	0.137	-0.37	-0.14	0.11	-0.16	0.054	0.0075	0.175	0.029	-0.063		
M = 0.80														
40,000 ft	-0.75	-0.06	0.13	-0.42	-0.756	0.04	-0.16	0.060	-0.06	0.16	0.029	-0.057		

Note: All derivatives are per radian.

**Center of gravity and
mass characteristics**

$W = 38,200 \text{ lb}$

CG at 25% MAC

$I_x = 118,773 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

$I_y = 135,869 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

$I_z = 243,504 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

$I_{xz} = 5061 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

Reference geometry

$S = 542.5 \text{ ft}^2$

$b = 53.75 \text{ ft}$

$c = 10.93 \text{ ft}$

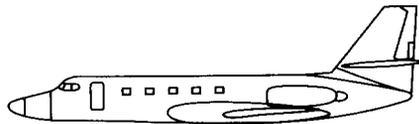
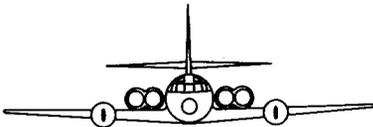
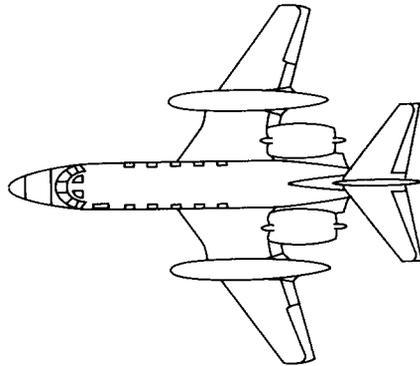


FIGURE B.25

Three-view sketch and stability data for a Jetstar executive business jet.

TABLE B.26
Transport aircraft: Convair 880

	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$								
Longitudinal															
M = 0.25	0.68	0.08	4.52	0.27	-0.903	2.7	-4.13	7.72	-12.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.213	-0.637
Sea level															
M = 0.8	0.347	0.024	4.8	0.15	-0.65	2.7	-4.5	7.5	-4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.190	-0.57
35,000 ft															
Lateral															
M = 0.25	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$
Sea level	-0.877	-0.196	0.139	-0.381	-0.049	0.198	-0.185	-0.038	0.017	0.216	0.0226	-0.096			
M = 0.8	-0.812	-0.177	0.129	-0.312	-0.011	0.153	-0.165	-0.050	0.008	0.184	0.019	-0.076			
35,000 ft															

Note: All derivatives are per radian

**Center of gravity and
mass characteristics**

$W = 126,000 \text{ lb}$
 CG at 25% MAC
 $I_x = 115,000 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_y = 2450,000 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_z = 4070,000 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_{xz} = 0$

Reference geometry

$S = 2,000 \text{ ft}^2$
 $b = 120 \text{ ft}$
 $\bar{c} = 18.94 \text{ ft}$

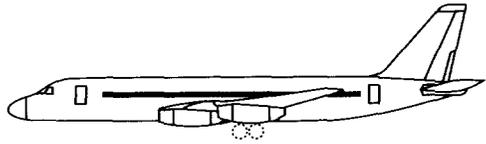
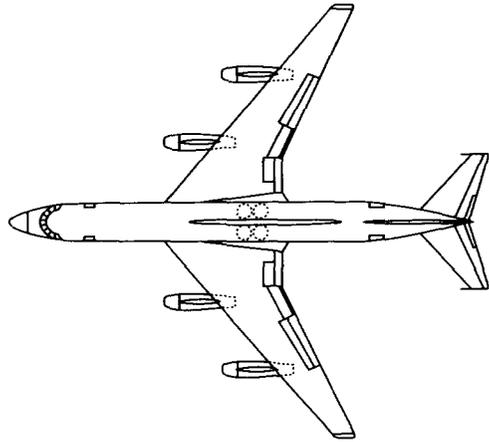


FIGURE B.26

Three-view sketch and stability data for a Convair 880 jet transport.

TABLE B.27
Transport aircraft: Boeing 747

Longitudinal	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	$C_{m\alpha}$	$C_{L\dot{\alpha}}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	C_{Lq}	C_{mq}	C_{LM}	C_{DM}	C_{MM}	$C_{L\delta_e}$	$C_{m\delta_e}$
M = 0.25														
Sea level	1.11	0.102	5.70	0.66	-1.26	6.7	-3.2	5.4	-20.8	-0.81	0.0	0.27	0.338	-1.34
M = 0.90														
40,000 ft	0.5	0.042	5.5	0.47	-1.6	0.006	-9.0	6.58	-25.0	0.2	0.25	-0.10	0.3	-1.2
Lateral	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	$C_{n\beta}$	C_{lp}	C_{np}	C_{lr}	C_{nr}	$C_{l\delta_v}$	$C_{n\delta_v}$	$C_{y\delta_r}$	$C_{l\delta_r}$	$C_{n\delta_r}$		
M = 0.25														
Sea level	-0.96	-0.221	0.150	-0.45	-0.121	0.101	-0.30	0.0461	0.0064	0.175	0.007	-0.109		
M = 0.90														
40,000 ft	-0.85	-0.10	0.20	-0.30	0.20	0.20	-0.325	0.014	0.003	0.075	0.005	-0.09		

Note: All derivatives are per radian.

Center of gravity and mass characteristics

$W = 636,600 \text{ lb}$
 CG at 25% MAC
 $I_x = 18.2 \times 10^6 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_y = 33.1 \times 10^6 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_z = 49.7 \times 10^6 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$
 $I_{xz} = 0.97 \times 10^6 \text{ Slug-ft}^2$

Reference geometry

$S = 5,500 \text{ ft}^2$
 $b = 195.68 \text{ ft}$
 $\bar{c} = 27.31 \text{ ft}$

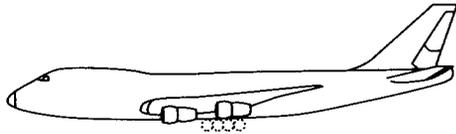
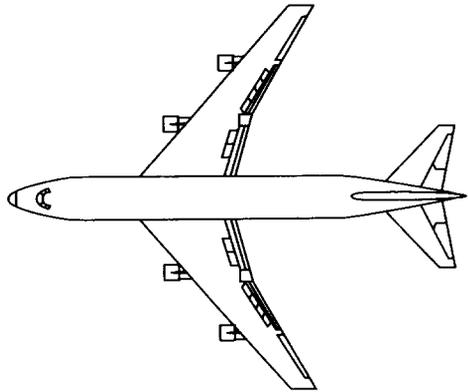


FIGURE B.27

Three-view sketch and stability data for a large Boeing 747 jet transport.

TABLE B.28
STOL Transport

	C_L	C_D	$C_{L\alpha}$	$C_{D\alpha}$	C_{ma}	$C_{L\delta}$	$C_{m\dot{\alpha}}$	C_{Lq}	C_{mq}	C_{LM}	C_{Dm}	C_{Mm}	$C_{L\delta q}$	$C_{m\delta q}$
Longitudinal M = 0.14														
Sea level	1.5	0.127	5.24	0.67	-0.78	1.33	-6.05	7.83	-35.6	0	0	0	0.465	-2.12
M = 0.37														
10,000 ft	0.3	0.036	5.24	0.67	-0.78	1.33	-6.05	7.83	-35.6	0	0	0	0.465	-2.12
Lateral M = 0.14	$C_{y\beta}$	$C_{l\beta}$	C_{ng}	C_{lp}	C_{np}	C_{lr}	C_{nr}	$C_{l\delta}$	$C_{n\delta}$	$C_{y\delta}$	$C_{l\delta r}$	$C_{n\delta r}$		
Sea level	-0.362	-0.125	0.101	-0.53	-0.283	0.410	-0.188	0.20	0	-0.233	-0.024	0.107		
M = 0.37														
10,000 ft	-0.362	-0.125	0.101	-0.53	-0.037	0.113	-0.171	0.20	0	-0.233	-0.024	0.107		

Note: All derivatives are per radian.

Center of gravity and
mass characteristics

$W = 40,000$ lbs.
CG at 25% MAC
 $I_x = 273,000$ Slug-ft²
 $I_y = 215,000$ Slug-ft²
 $I_z = 447,000$ Slug-ft²
 $I_{xz} = 0$

Reference geometry

$S = 945$ ft²
 $b = 96$ ft
 $c = 10.1$ ft

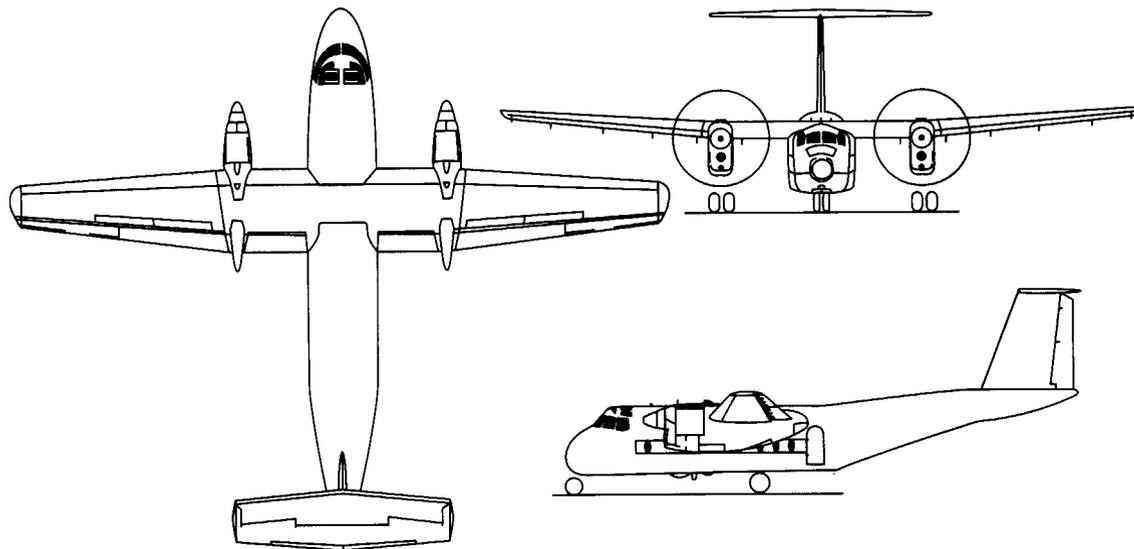


FIGURE B.28

Three-view sketch and stability data for a STOL transport.

Mathematical Review of Laplace Transforms and Matrix Algebra

REVIEW OF MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS

Laplace Transformation

The Laplace transform is a mathematical technique that has been used extensively in control system synthesis. It is a very powerful mathematical tool for solving differential equations. When the Laplace transformation technique is applied to a differential equation it transforms the differential equation to an algebraic equation. The transformed algebraic equation can be solved for the quantity of interest and then inverted back into the time domain to provide the solution to the differential equation.

The Laplace transformation is a mathematical operation defined by

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = \int_0^{\infty} f(t) e^{-st} dt = F(s) \quad (\text{C.1})$$

where $f(t)$ is a function of time. The operator \mathcal{L} and the complex variable s are the Laplace operator and variable, respectively, and $F(s)$ is the transform of $f(t)$. The Laplace transformation of various functions $f(t)$ can be obtained by evaluating Equation (C.1). The process of obtaining $f(t)$ from the Laplace transform $F(s)$, called the inverse Laplace transformation, is given by

$$f(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}[F(s)] \quad (\text{C.2})$$

where the inverse Laplace transformation is given by the following integral relationship:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} F(s) e^{st} ds \quad (\text{C.3})$$

Several examples of Laplace transformations follow.

EXAMPLE PROBLEM C.1. Consider the function $f(t) = e^{-at}$.

Solution. The Laplace transform of this expression yields

$$\mathcal{L}[f(t)] = \mathcal{L}[e^{-at}] = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-at} e^{st} dt = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(a+s)t} dt$$