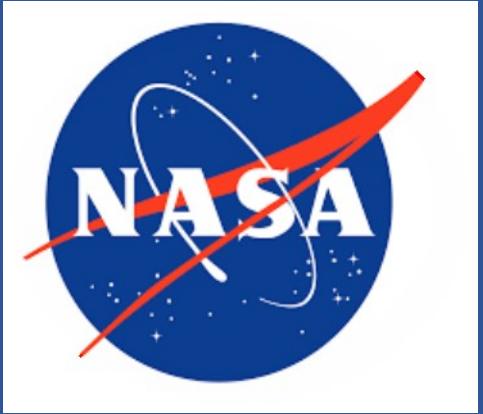


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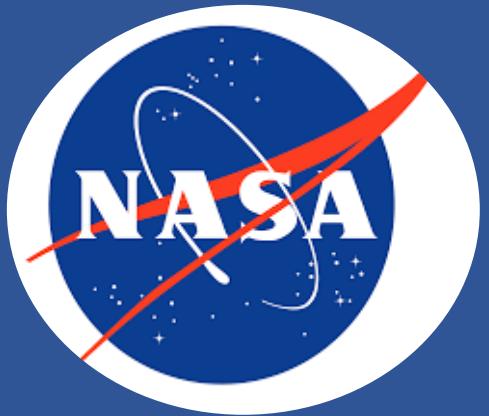
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The inverse of the  $C$  matrix,  $C^{-1}$ , can be expressed as a partitioned matrix in terms of the matrix subpartitions of the  $C$  matrix as

$$C^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{11}^{-1} & -C_{11}^{-1}C_{12}C_{22}^{-1} & & 0_{6 \times 6} \\ 0_{3 \times 3} & C_{22}^{-1} & & \\ & & 0_{6 \times 6} & 1_{6 \times 6} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2-64)$$

The elements of the  $A'$ ,  $B'$ ,  $H'$ , and  $F'$  matrices can be determined using the  $C^{-1}$  matrix defined in equation (2-64), the  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $H$ ,  $G$ , and  $F$  matrices, and the definitions for  $A'$ ,  $B'$ ,  $H'$ , and  $F'$  given in equations (2-21), (2-22), (2-38), and (2-39).

### 3 CONCLUDING REMARKS

This report derives and defines a set of linearized system matrices for a rigid aircraft of constant mass, flying in a stationary atmosphere over a flat, nonrotating earth. Both generalized and standard linear system equations are derived from nonlinear six-degree-of-freedom equations of motion and a large collection of nonlinear observation (measurement) equations.

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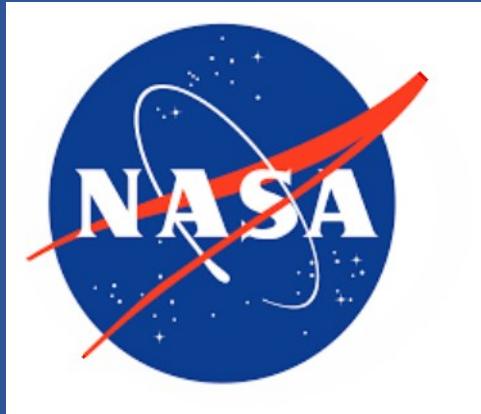
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## General Equations of Motion for a Damaged Asymmetric Aircraft

There is a renewed interest in dynamic characteristics of damaged aircraft both in order to assess survivability and to develop control laws to enhance survivability. This paper presents a set of flight dynamics equations of motion for a rigid body not necessarily referenced to the body's center of mass. Such equations can be used when the body loses a portion of its mass and it is desired to track the motion of the body's previous center of mass/reference frame now that the mass center has moved to a new position. Furthermore, results for equations presented in this paper and equations in standard aircraft simulations are compared for a scenario involving a generic transport aircraft configuration subject to wing damage.

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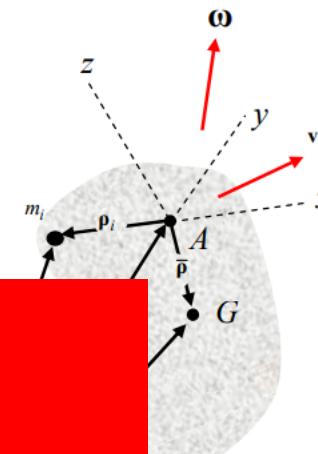
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define angle of attack and sideslip angle, independent variables for the aerodynamic forces and moments. The proposed equations of motion are then applied to the problem of modeling large instantaneous shifts in center of mass of a rotating body that suddenly loses a portion of its mass. Benefits in simulation implementation are discussed. As an example, open loop dynamic responses of a generic transport aircraft with wing damage are compared for typical equations of motion used in the aircraft simulation and the equations presented here.

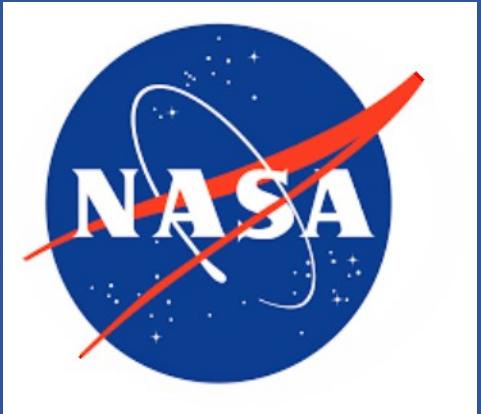
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NASA Dryden Flight Research Center has completed a preliminary performance analysis of the SR-71 aircraft for use as a launch platform for high-speed research vehicles and for carrying captive experimental packages to high altitude and Mach number conditions. Externally mounted research platforms can significantly increase drag, limiting test time and, in extreme cases, prohibiting penetration through the high-drag, transonic flight regime. To provide supplemental SR-71 acceleration, methods have been developed that could increase the thrust of the J58 turbojet engines. These methods include temperature and speed increases and augmentor nitrous oxide injection. The thrust-enhanced engines would allow the SR-71 aircraft to carry higher drag research platforms than it could without enhancement. This paper presents predicted SR-71 performance with and without enhanced engines. A modified climb-dive technique is shown to reduce fuel consumption when flying through the transonic flight regime with a large external payload. Estimates are included of the maximum platform drag profiles with which the aircraft could still complete a high-speed research mission. In this case, enhancement was found to increase the SR-71 payload drag capability by 25 percent. The thrust enhancement techniques and performance prediction methodology are described.

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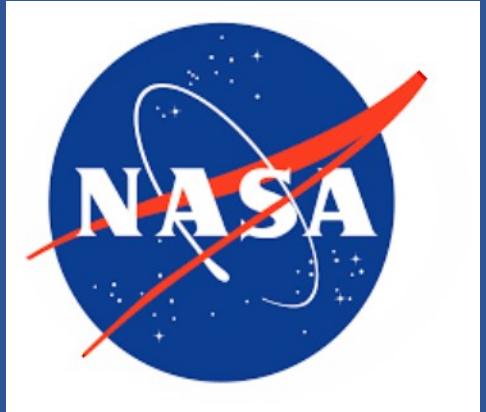
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satisfied. A brief derivation of the necessary relationships with notation common to many steepest-descent programs is provided in appendix A. The algorithm was applied to the following example problem.

## A NUMERICAL EXAMPLE

### Problem Statement

The example problem is a fixed-time problem in which it is required to determine the thrust-attitude program of a single-stage rocket vehicle starting from rest and going to specified terminal conditions of altitude and vertical velocity which will maximize the final horizontal velocity. The idealizing assumptions made are the following:

- (1) A point-mass vehicle
- (2) A flat, nonrotating earth
- (3) A constant-gravity field,  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$  ( $32.2 \text{ ft/sec}^2$ )
- (4) Constant thrust and mass-loss rate
- (5) A nonlifting body in a nonvarying atmosphere with a constant drag parameter  $K_D = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_D S$ , where  $S$  is the frontal surface area.

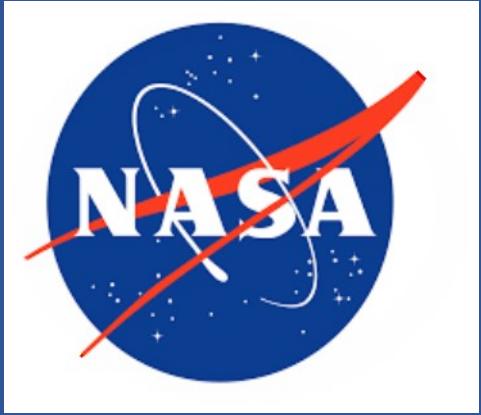
The coordinate system and pertinent geometric relations and terms are shown in figure 1. The differential equations of motion needed in the algorithm setup are

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A method for calculating wind compensation for unguided missiles is derived which has a greater degree of flexibility than the previously proposed methods. Utilization of the wind-compensation technique is demonstrated by using the Shotput vehicle as a model. Postflight simulations of four of these missiles with the use of measured winds show that if the winds are known, very good accuracy can be obtained by using the proposed method.

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computed in the IBM 704 electronic data processing machine using the aerodynamic parameters presented above and the trajectory program discussed in reference 8. An ICAO standard atmosphere (ref. 9) and a launch angle of  $78^\circ$  were used in these computations.

## ANALYSIS

The wind-compensation procedure derived herein involves four aspects. They are an adequate trajectory simulation, selection of wind profiles, development of wind-compensation graphs, and a wind-weighting procedure.

### Trajectory Simulation

The requirements for a trajectory program needed for a wind-compensation procedure are (1) that the trajectory be three dimensional, (2) that provision be made for arbitrary wind velocity and azimuth and (3) that nonlinear aerodynamics with respect to flow incidence angle be included. The first two requirements are obvious since, in the consideration of side winds, the trajectory is three dimensional and the wind velocity and azimuth are arbitrary. The third requirement is imposed because the introduction of surface winds during launch can create angles of attack larger than  $90^\circ$ , which greatly exceed the linear range of the aerodynamic coefficients.

A trajectory simulation incorporating the above requirements is presented in reference 8. In addition to the above requirements, this simulation assumes a vehicle with six degrees of freedom and aerodynamic symmetry in roll and the missile position in space is computed relative to a flat nonrotating earth. This trajectory simulation was programmed on the IBM 704 electronic data processing machine and is the basis for all trajectory computations made in this paper.

### Selection of Wind Profiles

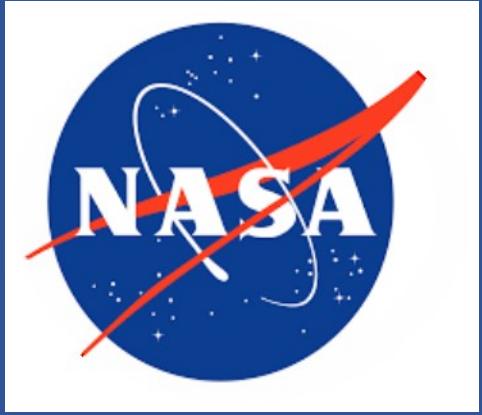
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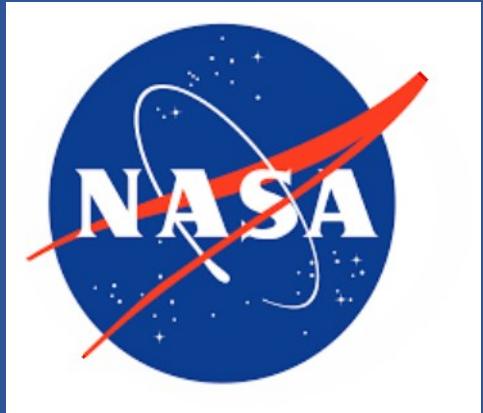
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WB velocity along the z body axis  
X position north from an arbitrary reference point  
XDOT time rate of change of north-south position  
XYANGL orientation of engine axis in x-y body axis plane  
XZANGL orientation of engine axis in x-z body axis plane  
Y position east from an arbitrary reference point  
YDOT time rate of change of east-west position

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The program LINEAR numerically determines a linear system model using nonlinear equations of motion and a user-supplied nonlinear aerodynamic model. LINEAR is also capable of extracting linearized gross engine effects (such as net thrust, torque, and gyroscopic effects) and including these effects in the linear system model. The point at which this linear system model is defined is determined either by specifying the state and control variables or by selecting an analysis point on a trajectory, selecting a trim option, and allowing the program to determine the control variable and remaining state variables to satisfy the trim option selected.

Because the program is designed to satisfy the needs of a broad class of users, a wide variety of options has been provided. Perhaps the most important of these options are those that allow user specification of the state, control, and observation variables to be included in the linear model derived by LINEAR.

Within the program, the nonlinear equations of motion include 12 states representing a rigid aircraft flying in a stationary atmosphere over a flat nonrotating earth. Thus, the state vector  $\mathbf{x}$  is computed internally as



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## SUMMARY

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## INTRODUCTION

The program LINEAR described in this report was developed at the Dryden Flight Research Facility of the NASA Ames Research Center to provide a standard, documented, and verified tool to derive linear models for aircraft stability analysis and control law design. This development was undertaken to address the need for the aircraft specific linearization programs common in the aerospace industry. Also, the lack of available documented linearization programs provided a strong motivation for the development of LINEAR; in fact, the only available documented linearization program that was found in an extensive literature search of the field is that of Kalviste (1980).

Linear system models of aircraft dynamics and sensors are an essential part of both vehicle stability analysis and control law design. These models define the aircraft system in the neighborhood of an analysis point and are determined by the linearization of the nonlinear equations defining vehicle dynamics and sensors. This report describes a FORTRAN program that provides the user with a powerful

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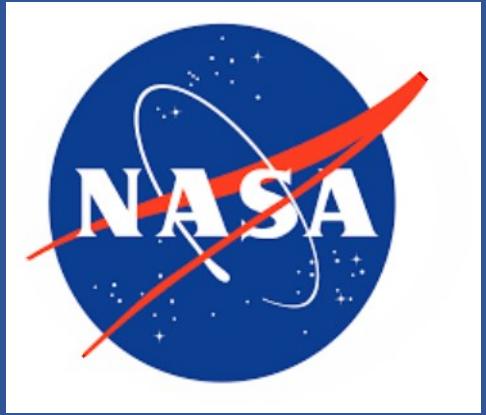
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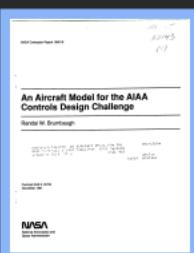
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#### Equations of Motion and Atmospheric Model

The nonlinear equations of motion used in this model are general six-degree-of-freedom equations representing the flight dynamics of a rigid aircraft flying in a stationary atmosphere over a flat, nonrotating Earth. These equations of motion were derived by Etkin, and the derivation is detailed in Duke, Antoniewicz, and Krambeer. The equations for each variable in the state vector are given in the following.

The following equations for rotational acceleration are used

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The translational acceleration equations used are

$$\dot{V} = [-D \cos \beta + Y \sin \beta + X_T \cos \alpha \cos \beta + Y_T \sin \beta + Z_T \sin \alpha \cos \beta - mg(\sin \theta \cos \alpha \cos \beta - \cos \theta \sin \phi \sin \beta - \cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \alpha \cos \beta)] / m$$

$$\dot{\alpha} = [-L + Z_T \cos \alpha - X_T \sin \alpha + mg(\cos \theta \cos \phi \cos \alpha + \sin \theta \sin \alpha)] / V m \cos \beta + q - \tan \beta (p \cos \alpha + r \sin \alpha)$$

$$\dot{\beta} = [D \sin \beta + Y \cos \beta - X_T \cos \alpha \sin \beta + Y_T \cos \beta - Z_T \sin \alpha \sin \beta + mg(\sin \theta \cos \alpha \sin \beta + \cos \theta \sin \phi \cos \beta - \cos \theta \cos \phi \sin \alpha \sin \beta)] / V m + p \sin \alpha - r \cos \alpha$$

where  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\theta$ , and  $\phi$  are angles of attack, sideslip, pitch, and roll, respectively;  $X_T$ ,  $Y_T$ , and  $Z_T$  are thrust along the  $x$ -,  $y$ -, and  $z$ -body axes; and  $D$  is drag force,  $g$  gravitational acceleration,  $L$  total aerodynamic lift,  $m$  total aircraft mass,  $V$  total velocity, and  $Y$  sideforce.

The equations defining the vehicle attitude rates are

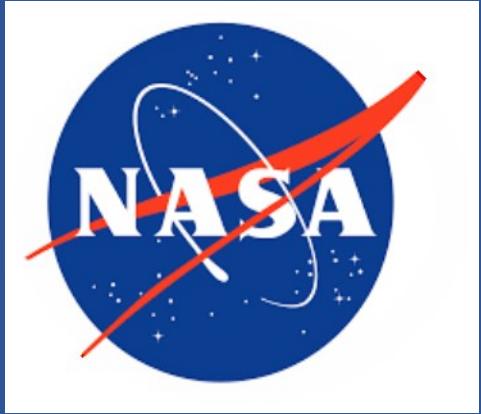
$$\dot{\theta} = q \cos \phi - r \sin \phi$$

$$\dot{\psi} = q \sin \phi \sec \theta + r \cos \phi \sec \theta$$

$$\dot{\phi} = p + q \sin \phi \tan \theta + r \cos \phi \tan \theta$$

where  $\psi$  is heading angle.

The equations defining the Earth-relative velocities are



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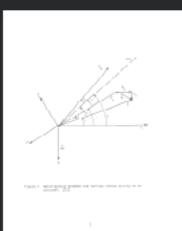
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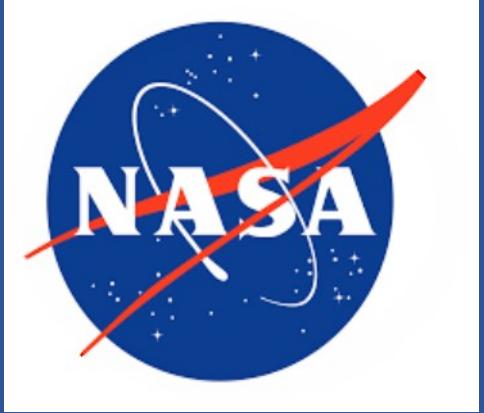
### AIRCRAFT LANDING MODEL

#### 1. Equations of Motion

The two-dimensional model for aircraft motion presented in this section follows the general form developed by Frost [12]. It accounts for both vertical and horizontal mean wind components having both time and spatial variations.

The aircraft trajectory model employed in this study was derived based on the following assumptions:

- a) The earth is flat and non-rotating.
- b) The acceleration of gravity,  $g$ , is constant ( $9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$ ).
- c) Air density is constant ( $1.23 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ).
- d) The airframe is a rigid body.
- e) The aircraft is constrained to motion in the vertical plane.
- f) The aircraft has a symmetry plane (the  $x$ - $z$  plane).
- g) The mass of the aircraft is constant.



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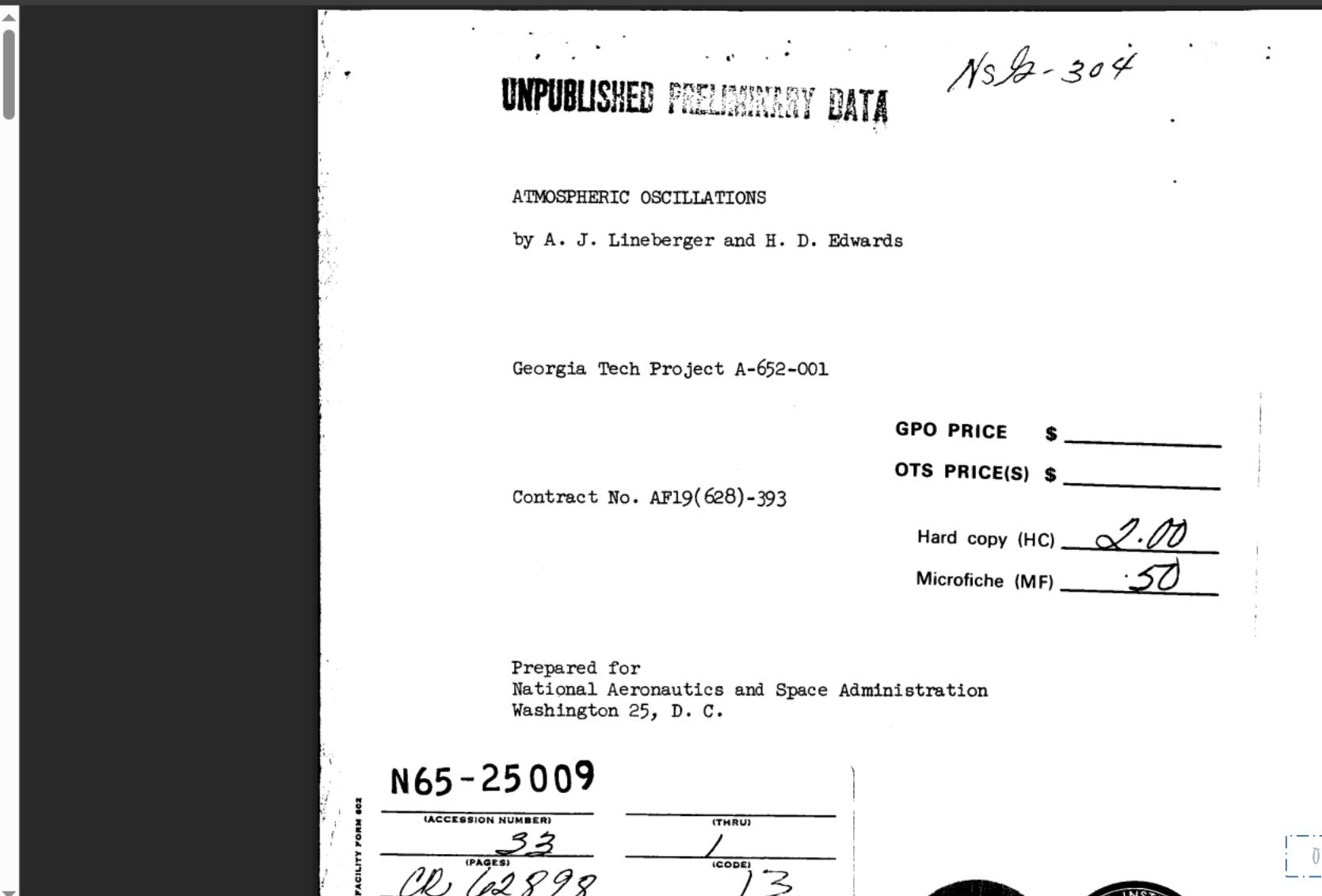
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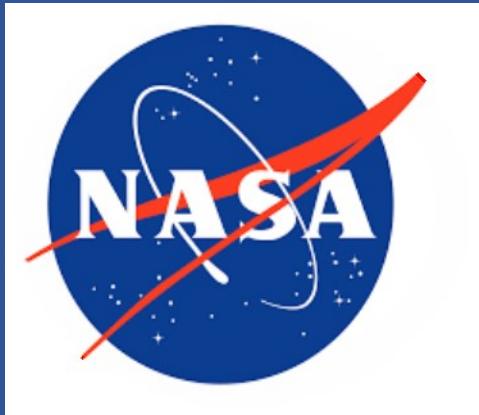
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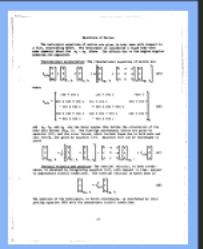
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### Equations of Motion

The helicopter equations of motion are given in body axes with respect to a flat, nonrotating Earth. The helicopter is considered a rigid body with mass symmetry about the  $x_h - z_h$  plane. The effects due to the engine angular momentum are neglected.

Translational acceleration - The translational equations of motion are

$$C_{h/e} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ mg \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix}_{f, h} + \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \\ Z \end{bmatrix}_{r, h} = m \begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} \\ \dot{v} \\ \dot{w} \end{bmatrix}_{cg, h} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -r & q \\ r & 0 & -p \\ -q & p & 0 \end{bmatrix}_h \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{bmatrix}_{cg, h} \quad (45)$$

where

$$C_{h/e} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \cos \psi & \cos \theta \sin \psi & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \phi \sin \theta \cos \psi & \cos \phi \cos \psi & \sin \phi \cos \theta \\ -\cos \phi \sin \theta \cos \psi & \cos \phi \sin \theta \sin \psi & \cos \phi \cos \theta \\ \sin \phi \sin \psi & -\sin \phi \cos \psi & 0 \end{bmatrix}_h \quad (46)$$

and  $\phi_h$ ,  $\theta_h$ , and  $\psi_h$  are the Euler angles that define the orientation of the body axis system (fig. 3). The fuselage aerodynamic forces are given by equation (10), and the rotor forces, which include those due to both main and tail rotors, are given by equation (31). Equation (45) can be rearranged to yield

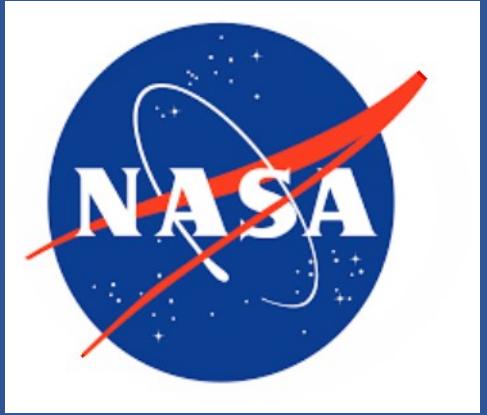
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## Stability and Control Estimation Flight Test Results for the SR-71 Aircraft With Externally Mounted Experiments

A maximum-likelihood output-error parameter estimation technique is used to obtain stability and control derivatives for the NASA Dryden Flight Research Center SR-71A airplane and for configurations that include experiments externally mounted to the top of the fuselage. This research is being done as part of the envelope clearance for the new experiment configurations. Flight data are obtained at speeds ranging from Mach 0.4 to Mach 3.0, with an extensive amount of test points at approximately Mach 1.0. Pilot-input pitch and yaw-roll doublets are used to obtain the data. This report defines the parameter estimation technique used, presents stability and control derivative results, and compares the derivatives for the three configurations tested. The experimental configurations studied generally show acceptable stability, control, trim, and handling qualities throughout the Mach regimes tested. The reduction of directional stability for the experimental configurations is the most significant aerodynamic effect measured and identified as a design constraint for future experimental configurations. This report also shows the significant effects of aircraft flexibility on the stability and control derivatives.

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coefficients of the mathematical model, providing a new estimated response and, therefore, a new response error. Updating the mathematical model iteratively continues until a convergence criterion is satisfied (in this case, the ratio of the change in total cost to the total cost,  $\Delta J(\xi)/J(\xi)$ , must be less than 0.000001). The estimates resulting from this procedure are the maximum-likelihood estimates.

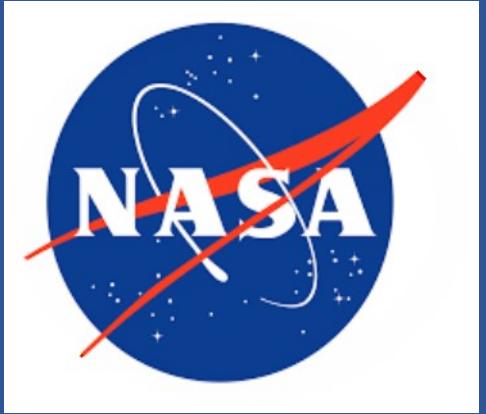
The estimator also provides a measure of the reliability of each estimate based on the information obtained from each dynamic maneuver. This measure of reliability is called the Cramér-Rao bound (ref. 6). The Cramér-Rao bound is a measure of relative, not absolute, accuracy. A large Cramér-Rao bound indicates poor information content in the maneuver for the derivative estimate.

## Equations of Motion

The aircraft equations of motion used in the PID analysis are derived from a general system of nine coupled, nonlinear differential equations that describe the aircraft motion (ref. 4). These equations

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assume a rigid vehicle and a flat, nonrotating Earth. The time rate of change of mass and inertia is assumed negligible. The SR-71 configurations studied herein, like most aircraft, are basically symmetric about the vertical-centerline plane. This symmetry is used, along with small angle approximations, to separate the equations of motion into two largely independent sets describing the longitudinal and lateral-directional motions of the aircraft. The equations of motion are written in body axes referenced to the *CG* and include both state and response equations. The applicable equations of motion are as follows for the longitudinal and lateral-directional axes:



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## Flight testing a V/STOL aircraft to identify a full-envelope aerodynamic model

Flight-test techniques are being used to generate a data base for identification of a full-envelope aerodynamic model of a V/STOL fighter aircraft, the YAV-8B Harrier. The flight envelope to be modeled includes hover, transition to conventional flight and back to hover, STOL operation, and normal cruise. Standard V/STOL procedures such as vertical takeoff and landings, and short takeoff and landings are used to gather data in the powered-lift flight regime. Long (3 to 5 min) maneuvers which include a variety of input types are used to obtain large-amplitude control and response excitations. The aircraft is under continuous radar tracking; a laser tracker is used for V/STOL operations near the ground. Tracking data are used with state-estimation techniques to check data consistency and to derive unmeasured variables, for example, angular accelerations. A propulsion model of the YAV-8B's engine and reaction control system is used to isolate aerodynamic forces and moments for model identification. Representative V/STOL flight data are presented. The processing of a typical short takeoff and slow landing maneuver is illustrated.

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as with one longitudinal maneuver. In wings-level rudder frequency sweep and a rudder-fixed aileron frequency sweep provide additional lateral-axis excitation. The pilot uses aileron control to hold the wings-level condition during the sideslip and the rudder sweep portions of the maneuver. An initial roll angle of 40° was chosen for the aileron sweep. Thrust is added at the end of the maneuver to return to the nominal trim point. Thirteen of these lateral maneuvers were performed.

#### Preliminary Processing

Following real-time acquisition of data during flight test, each recorded maneuver, with instrument calibrations added, is converted to engineering units and made available to researchers as a raw flight-data file. An interactive program called PRODAT (PROcess DATA) is used to read the raw flight-data file, identify wild points, and filter data records. Data are then stored in a "processed" file of selected channels at a submultiple of the main-frame sample rate. PRODAT runs on a VAX-8650. Processing begins by removing wild points from the records. Several methods are

#### State Estimation

The next step in the processing of each maneuver is to apply SMACK<sup>19-21</sup> (SMoothing for AirCraft Kinematics), a state-estimation program developed at Ames Research Center, to check data consistency and derive unmeasured variables. SMACK runs on a Cray-XMP computer. State estimation in this paper refers to a process that solves a state model,

$$\dot{x} = f(x, w), \quad x(t_0) = x_0 \quad (2)$$

such that  $h(x)$  in the measurement model

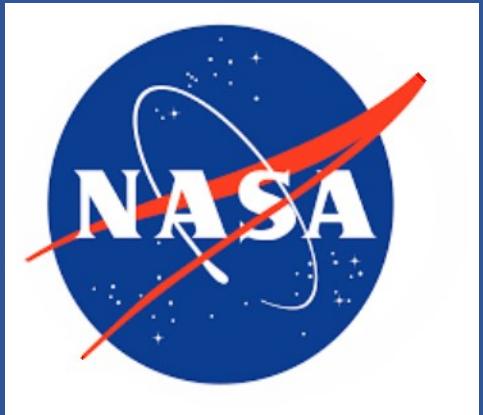
$$z = h(x) + v \quad (3)$$

suitably matches the data record over a time interval  $(t_0, t_f)$ , usually in a least-squares error sense.<sup>7,22</sup> In Eq. (2),  $x$  is the state vector and  $w$  is a vector that represents unknown forcing functions (derivatives of unmeasured variables, e.g., angular accelerations). For aircraft problems, the state and measurement models together

represent the kinematics of a rigid body for describing motion over a flat, nonrotating Earth. In the SMACK formulation, the state model consists of Euler angles and position variables and their derivatives. When flightpath winds are to be identified, the state model is augmented by wind velocities and accelerations. The measurement model

measured in flight. It should be noted that the propulsion model provides only thrust forces and moments. Any thrust-induced aerodynamic effects are to be included in the VSRA aerodynamic model.

Inputs to the ENCAL routine include all the air-data, reaction control, engine, and weight data listed in Table 1. Outputs to the air-data file are the three body-axis engine forces and moments. ENCAL aircraft weight and inertias, and center-of-gravity (c.g.) location variations are based on manufac-



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## Singular-Arc Time-Optimal Trajectory of Aircraft in Two-Dimensional Wind Field

This paper presents a study of a minimum time-to-climb trajectory analysis for aircraft flying in a two-dimensional altitude dependent wind field. The time optimal control problem possesses a singular control structure when the lift coefficient is taken as a control variable. A singular arc analysis is performed to obtain an optimal control solution on the singular arc. Using a time-scale separation with the flight path angle treated as a fast state, the dimensionality of the optimal control solution is reduced by eliminating the lift coefficient control. A further singular arc analysis is used to decompose the original optimal control solution into the flight path angle solution and a trajectory solution as a function of the airspeed and altitude. The optimal control solutions for the initial and final climb segments are computed using a shooting method with known starting values on the singular arc. The numerical results of the shooting method show that the optimal flight path angle on the initial and final climb segments are constant. The analytical approach provides a rapid means for analyzing a time optimal trajectory for aircraft performance.

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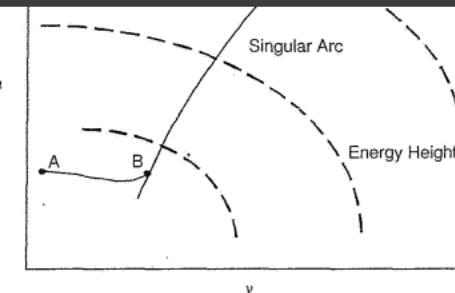


Fig. 1 - Time-Optimal Energy Climb Path

Within the framework of the Pontryagin's minimum principle, the singular-arc optimal control method is an intermediate method for the trajectory optimization. The existence of a singular arc in the time optimal control can simplify the trajectory optimization significantly. Briefly, the singular arc is described by a switching function that minimizes a Hamiltonian function when the Hamiltonian function is linear with respect to a control variable.

In this study, we will examine an aspect of the minimum time-to-climb problem for an aircraft flying in the presence of a two-dimensional atmospheric wind field. An analytical solution for the singular arc is obtained. Wind patterns at a local airport can affect the climb performance of aircraft. While the time-optimal climb problems have been thoroughly studied in flight mechanics, the effect of winds are usually not included in these studies. A solution method of a minimum-time to climb will then be presented for computing a minimum time-to-climb flight trajectory.

## II. Singular Arc Optimal Control

In our minimum time-to-climb problem, the aircraft is modeled as a point mass and the flight trajectory is strictly confined in a vertical plane on a non-rotating, flat earth. The change in mass of the aircraft is neglected and the engine thrust vector is assumed to point in the direction of the aircraft velocity vector. In addition, the aircraft is assumed to fly in an atmospheric wind field comprising of both horizontal and vertical components that are altitude-dependent. The horizontal wind component normally comprises a longitudinal and lateral component. We assume that the aircraft motion is symmetric so that the lateral wind component is not included. Thus, the pertinent equations of motion for the problem are defined in its state variable form as

$$\dot{h} = v \sin \gamma + w_h \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{v} = \frac{T - D - W \sin \gamma}{m} - \dot{w}_x \cos \gamma - \dot{w}_h \sin \gamma \quad (2)$$

$$L - W \cos \gamma, \quad \dot{w}_x \sin \gamma - \dot{w}_h \cos \gamma \quad (3)$$