

Aerospace Vehicle Performance

Code AE-335	Credit Hours 3-0
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Prerequisites

Fundamentals of Compressible Aerodynamics

Course Description

The course introduces basic aircraft performance characteristics. It begins with a review of the physics of lift and drag generation followed by a comprehensive study of drag. The course later covers steady state analysis of performance parameters such as endurance, aircraft ceiling, range, climb, descent and glide. Accelerated performance parameters are then evaluated using energy state approximation and results are compared with exact solutions. The last part of the course deals with instantaneous and sustained turning performance. For a Complex Engineering Problem, the students are required to evaluate the performance of an aircraft and analyses trends under various conditions.

Text Books:

1. "Performance, Stability, Dynamic and control of Airplanes" by Bandu N Pamadi, AIAA Series, Latest Available Edition
2. "Aircraft Performance and Design" by John D Anderson, McGraw Hill Education, NY, Latest Available Edition
3. Basic Aerodynamics by Aviation Maintenance Technician Certification Series, Latest Available Edition
4. Gas Turbine Engine by Aviation Maintenance Technician Certification Series, Latest Available Edition

Reference Material:

1. "Aircraft Design: A conceptual Approach" by Daniel P Raymer, AIAA , 5th Edition, 2014.
2. "Aircraft Performance: An Engineering Approach" by Mohammah H. Sadraey, CRC Press, 1st Edition, 2017.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM:

Quizzes	10%
Assignments	10%
Mid Terms	30%
ESE	50%

Teaching Plan

Lec No	Description	Ref
1-2	<p>Course Introduction Introduction to Aircraft Performance, Evolution of Airplane, Performance beauties of Wright Flyer, Later performance considerations International Standard Atmosphere (ISA), application to aerodynamics.</p>	Ch 1, Text 1, Ch 1 Text 2
3-7	<p>Aerodynamic of the Airplane Source of Aerodynamic force, lift, drag and moments, Aerodynamic coefficients and their variation with AOA and Mach number, Aerodynamic Centre, Lift for high aspect ratio wings, lift for low aspect ratio wings, swept wings, delta wings, subsonic airfoil drag, induced drag, transonic drag, supersonic drag</p>	Ch 2 Text 2 (Sections 2.1 to 2.6, 2.8, Examples 2.1 to 2.10, 2.12, 2.14)
8-9	<p>Drag Polar The information it provides and its variation with mach number</p>	Ch 2 Text 2 (Section 2.9)
10-11	<p>Some Propulsion Characteristics Introduction, Thrust and Efficiency, The reciprocating engine/propeller combination, Turbojet, Turbofan, Turbo-prop,</p>	Ch 3 Text 2 (Section 3.1-3.6)
12-13	<p>The Equations of Motion Four forces of 2D steady level flight, climbing flight and climb and roll and the equations of motion</p>	Ch 4,5 Text 2 (Sec 4.2, 5.2)
14-18	<p>Thrust Power and Velocity Thrust required and factors affecting it, fundamental performance parameters (T/W, W/S, Drag polar & L/D) velocity instability, V_{TRmin}, L/Dmax, Thrust available, Power required, P_{Rmin}, Power available, max velocity</p>	Ch 5, Text 2 (sections 5.3-5.9, Examples 5.1 to 5.9, 5.12)
19-22	<p>High Lift Devices Minimum velocity and high lift devices</p>	Ch 5, Text 2 (sec 5.9, ex 5.12)
23	<p>Complex Engineering Problem Complete Aircraft Performance Evaluation using MATLAB®/Microsoft Excel</p>	Text 1, Text 2

24-30	<p>Climb, Ceiling, Glide, Range and Endurance</p> <p>Rate of Climb, Climb performance Hodograph, Service and absolute Ceiling, Time to Climb, Gliding Flight, Sink rate, Glide Performance</p> <p>Hodograph, Range, Breguet Range equation, Endurance for jet and propeller aircraft</p>	Ch 5, Text 2 (section 5.10 to 5.15, Examples 5.13 to 5.19)
31-34	<p>Accelerated Flight: Turning, V-n diagram, Energy Concepts</p> <p>Level turn, R_{min}, w_{max}, n_{max}, Pull-up and Pull-down manoeuvres, load factor limiting case</p>	Ch 6, Text 2 (section 6.2 to 6.6, Examples 6.1 to 6.5)
35-39	<p>Accelerated Flight: Turning, V-n Diagram, Energy Concepts</p> <p>Energy height, specific excess power subsonic and supersonic P_s contours, minimum time to accelerated climb path, V-n diagram</p>	Ch 6, Text 2 (section 6.2 to 6.6, Examples 6.1 to 6.5)
40-42	<p>Takeoff Performance</p> <p>Takeoff ground roll calculation, variation of forces during takeoff, calculation of distance to clear obstacle during takeoff, calculation of landing approach distance, flare distance and landing ground roll, variation of forces during landing</p>	Ch 6, Text 2 (sections 6.7, and Example 6.6)
43-44	<p>Landing Performance</p> <p>Calculation of landing approach distance, flare distance and landing ground roll, variation of forces during landing</p>	Ch 6, Text 2 (sections 6.8 Example 6.7)
45-48	Revision	