

STATIC MANEUVERS

DEFINITIONS

1. Static Maneuvers

- a maneuver with constant turn rate
with constant speed

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$$\sum \bar{F} = 0 \quad \sum \bar{M} = 0$$

2. Load Factor, n

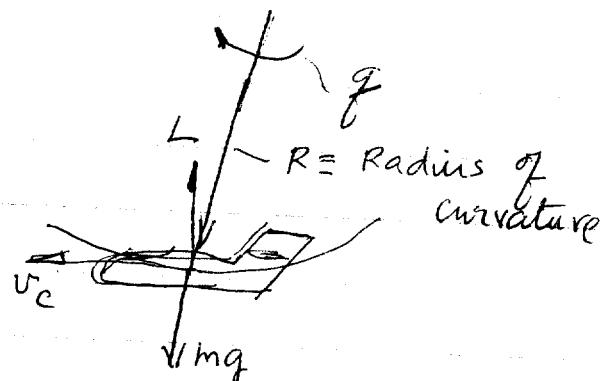
$$n \equiv \text{ratio of a/c lift to a/c weight} -$$
$$= \frac{L}{W}$$

Level Flight $\Rightarrow n = 1$

Pull-up $\Rightarrow n > 1$

Push-over $\Rightarrow n < 1$

Basic Relations



Consider the a/c at the bottom of a shallow pull-up.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Net force} &= L - mg \\ &= L - W \\ &= nW - W = (n-1)W\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Centrifugal acceleration} = q^2 R = q v_c$$

$q \equiv$ pitch rate ; $R \equiv$ Radius of curvature
(turn rate)

For a constant turn

$$mg v_c = (n-1)mg$$

$$q = \frac{(n-1)g}{v_c}$$

- For a large turn rate (climb rate)

- i) low speed (limited by stall)
- ii) large load factor (limited by pilot and ~~load factor~~ structures)

Measures of maneuverability

additional

Let ΔP , the stick force to be exerted by the pilot for a pull-up and let this lead to an additional elevator

deflection, $\Delta\delta_e$ (upwards for a pull-up).

Define:

$$\text{Stick force per } g = \frac{\Delta P}{n-1}$$

$$\text{Elevator angle per } g = \frac{\Delta\delta_e}{n-1}$$

Smaller the values of these quantities,
more maneuverable is the aircraft.

Expression for elevator angle per g , $\frac{\Delta\delta_e}{n-1}$

In level flight,

$$C_{m\text{ level}} = C_m(\alpha, \bar{\delta}_e)$$

During pull-up

$$C_{m\text{ pull-up}} = C_m(\alpha, \bar{\delta}_e, g)$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{m\text{ pull-up}} &= C_{m\text{ level}} + \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial \alpha} \Delta\alpha + \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial \bar{\delta}_e} \Delta\bar{\delta}_e \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial g} \Delta g \end{aligned}$$

[Taylor series again!]

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta \delta_e = - \frac{C_m \Delta \alpha + \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial g} g}{C_m \delta_e}} \quad (1)$$

Now, we want to find $\frac{\Delta \delta_e}{n-1}$; so,

we need to express the numerator of RHS in terms of $(n-1)$

Note, $\boxed{g = \frac{(n-1)g}{v_c}}$ - (good!) (2)

What is $\Delta \alpha$ in terms of $(n-1)$?

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta C_L &= C_L^{\text{pull-up}} - C_L^{\text{level}} \\ &= C_L \Delta \alpha + C_L \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \Delta \delta_e \end{aligned}$$

~~$\Rightarrow \cancel{\Delta \alpha}$~~

Now, $\cancel{\Delta C_L^{\text{pull-up}}} = \frac{nW}{qs}$

$$C_L^{\text{level}} = \frac{W}{qs} = C_L^{\text{trim}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta C_L = \frac{(n-1)W}{qs}$$

$$\Delta C_L = (n-1) C_{L_{\text{trim}}}$$

Therefore

$$\Delta \alpha = \frac{\Delta C_L - C_{L_{\delta_e}} \Delta \delta_e}{C_{L_\alpha}}$$

$$\Delta \alpha = \frac{(n-1) C_{L_{\text{trim}}} - C_{L_{\delta_e}} \Delta \delta_e}{C_{L_\alpha}} \quad (3)$$

use (3) and (2) in (1) and solve

solve to get

$$\frac{\Delta \delta_e}{n-1} = - \left[\frac{C_m \alpha C_{L_{\text{trim}}} + \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial g} \frac{C_{L_\alpha} g}{V_c}}{C_m \delta_e C_{L_\alpha} - C_m \alpha C_{L_{\delta_e}}} \right] \quad (4)$$

for $n > 1$

This gives the additional elevator deflection needed for a pull-up. \square

- Usually, this is written in terms of the pitch damping derivative, C_{mq} .
What is C_{mq} ?

$$C_{mq} \neq \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial q}.$$

$$\boxed{C_{mq} = \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial \left(\frac{qC}{2v_c} \right)} = \frac{2v_c}{C} \frac{\partial C_m}{\partial q}} \quad (5)$$

- C_{mq} is non-dimensional.

Define

- $\mu \equiv$ relative mass parameter

$$= \frac{2m}{gSC}. \quad (6)$$

Recall,

$$C_m = C_L (\bar{x}_{cg} - \bar{x}_{NP}) . \quad (7)$$

using (6), (7) and C_{mq} from (5) in
(4)

$$\bar{x}_{cg} - \bar{x}_{NP} + \frac{C_{mg}}{2\mu} = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad \bar{x}_{cg} = \bar{x}_{MP}$$

or

$$\boxed{\bar{x}_{MP} = \bar{x}_{NP} - \frac{C_{mg}}{2\mu}}$$

Notes:

1. $C_{mg} < 0 \Rightarrow$ Maneuver Point is behind the neutral point.
2. Stick-fixed Maneuver Margin = $\bar{x}_{MP} - \bar{x}_{cg}$
3. ~~\bar{x}_{cg}~~ \bar{x}_{NP} is a function of geometry only but \bar{x}_{MP} varies with altitude.

$$\mu = \frac{2m}{\rho S c} \Rightarrow \text{altitude } \uparrow \Rightarrow \mu \downarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \uparrow \bar{x}_{MP} \rightarrow \bar{x}_{NP}$$

4.
$$\boxed{C_{mg} = -2K C_{Lat} \frac{lt}{c} \sqrt{H} \eta}$$

$K \equiv$ fudge factor ≈ 1.1 for a conventional alc.