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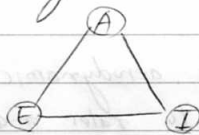
Course Outline

1. Introduction / Overview

2. Static Aeroelasticity* (divergence, control reversal ...)

Aeroelasticity -- mutual interaction of elastic, aerodynamic and inertial forces in a structure (airplane, rocket, engine, building, bridge, etc...)

* Collar's triangle



$E + I =$ Structural Dynamics

$E + A =$ static Aeroelasticity

$I + A =$ Dynamic stability (Rigid Body Dynamics)

$E + I + A =$ Aeroelasticity (Dynamic aeroelasticity)

Drela/Harris → 3. Unsteady Aerodynamics

mid-term → 4. Dynamic Aeroelasticity (flutter, A/C response)

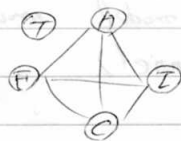
Hall → 5. Turbomachinery Aeroelasticity

6. Helicopter Aeroelasticity

Crawley → 7. Control Aeroelasticity

$E + I + A + C =$ Aero-servoelasticity

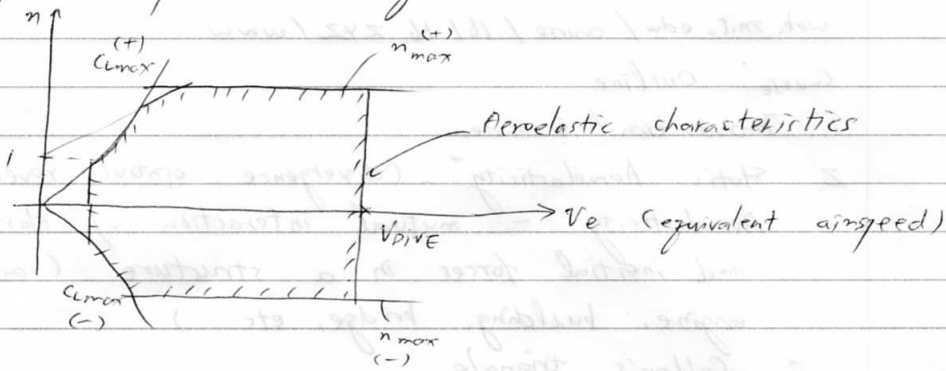
Generalized Collar's diagram



T: thermal effect

$E + I + A + C + T =$ Aerothermo-servoelasticity

◦ Flight Envelope (V-n diagram)



II. Static Aeroelasticity

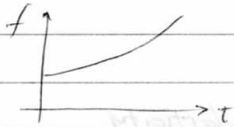
◦ Definition --- interaction of aerodynamic and elastic forces
 - insensitive to rates and accelerations of the structural deflection

◦ Two classes of problems

1. Effect of elastic deformation on the airloads - normal operating condition --- performance, handling qualities, structural load distribution

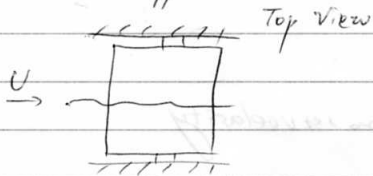
2. Static instabilities --- divergence

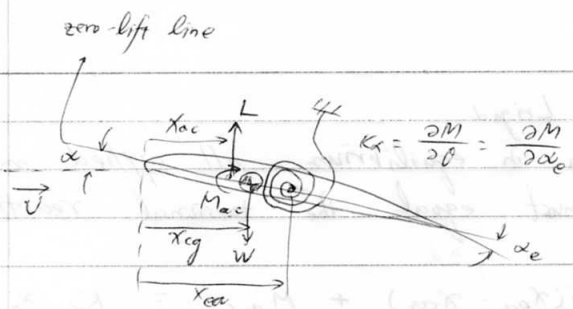
[Note] instability --- tendency to move away from equilibrium
 static $\rightarrow e^{(a+i\omega)t}$ $a > 0$, $\omega = 0$



◦ Typical section model of an airfoil

--- Consider a rigid airfoil model mounted on an elastic support (in a wind tunnel)





α_r = rigid angle of attack
 α_e = elastic " "
 $\alpha = \alpha_r + \alpha_e$
 a.c. = aerodynamic center
 $\rightarrow M_{a.c.} \neq f_n(\alpha)$

subsonic $\sim 1/4$ chord, supersonic $\sim 1/2$ chord

e.a. = elastic axis (center) \Rightarrow decouples flexure and torsion problems

α_i, α : $\curvearrowright (+)$

L : lift $\uparrow (+)$ $L = \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2 S C_L$ where U = flow speed

W : weight

q : $\frac{1}{2} \rho U^2$ = dynamic pressure

S : reference area $c \cdot l$

C_L : lift coefficient

$M_{a.c.} = q \cdot S \cdot c \cdot C_{Mac}$

where C_{Mac} : moment coefficient at a.c.

[Note] $C_L = f_n(\alpha, M, \text{airfoil shape})$

$C_{Mac} = f_n(M, \text{airfoil shape})$

From a Taylor series,

$C_L = C_{L0} + \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \alpha} \alpha + \text{h.o.t.}$

$= C_{L0} + C_{L\alpha} \cdot \alpha$

$C_{Mac} = C_{Mac0} + \frac{\partial C_{Mac}}{\partial \alpha} \alpha + \text{h.o.t.}$

[Note] For a flat plate

$C_{L\alpha} = 2\pi, C_{Mac} = 0$

For a rigid support

$L_{rigid} = \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2 S C_{L\alpha} \alpha$

However, for elastic support

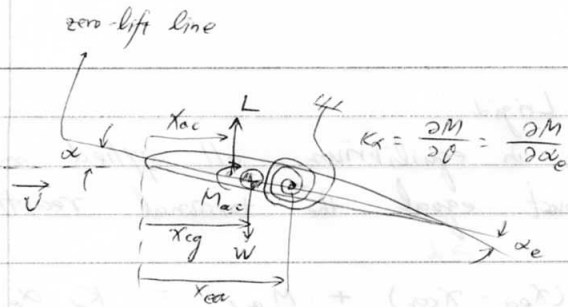
$L_{elastic} = L = \frac{1}{2} \rho U^2 S C_{L\alpha} \alpha$
 $\uparrow \alpha_r + \alpha_e$

Note that $L_{elastic} \neq L_{rigid}$

Katz & Plotkin

"Low-Speed Aerodynamics"

5.4 Aerodynamic Forces and Moments on a Thin Airfoil



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 \uparrow
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5.4 Aerodynamic Forces and Moments on a Thin Airfoil

$L_{elastic} > L_{rigid}$

Considering the system in equilibrium, all applied moments at support point must equal the torsional reaction at the point

$$L(x_{ea} - x_{ac}) - W(x_{ea} - x_{cg}) + M_{ac} = K_{\alpha} \alpha_e$$
$$g S C_{L\alpha} (\alpha_r + \alpha_e)(x_{ea} - x_{ac}) - W(x_{ea} - x_{cg}) + M_{ac}$$
$$= K_{\alpha} \alpha_e$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_e = \frac{-W(x_{ea} - x_{cg}) + g S C_{L\alpha} C_{mac} + g S C_{L\alpha} \alpha_r (x_{ea} - x_{ac})}{K_{\alpha} - g S C_{L\alpha} (x_{ea} - x_{ac})}$$

For given g , and α_r , we can evaluate L



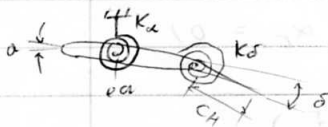
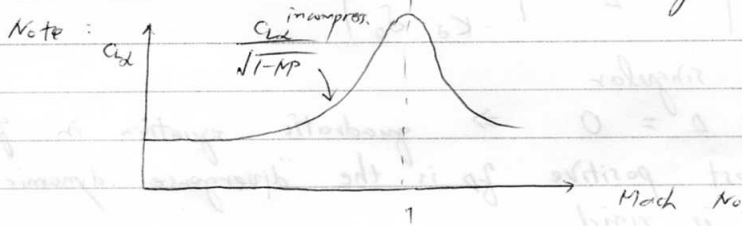
Note: Consider equilibrium equation

$$\underbrace{(K - \rho S C_{L\alpha} e)}_A \alpha = \underbrace{\rho S C_{L\alpha} \alpha r e - W d}_B$$

$$A \alpha = B \rightarrow K \alpha = F$$

The stability is associated with the homogeneous part of the equation: $A \alpha = 0$

$$A \equiv 0 \rightarrow \text{divergence condition}$$



δ_0 : commanded deflection

$$\delta_e = \delta - \delta_0$$

- Typical section with control surface

By adding a control surface,

$$L = \rho U^2 C_L$$

$$C_L = C_{L0} + \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \alpha} \alpha + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 C_L}{\partial \alpha^2} \alpha^2 + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{\partial C_L}{\partial \delta} \delta + h.o.t.$$

$$= C_{L0} + C_{L\alpha} \alpha + C_{L\delta} \delta$$

$$C_{Mac} = C_{Mac,0} + \frac{\partial C_{Mac}}{\partial \delta} \delta$$

$$= C_{Mac,0} + C_{Mac,\delta} \delta$$

The equilibrium equations are:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \rho U^2 C_{L\alpha} - K_h & \rho U^2 C_{L\delta} + \rho U^2 C_{Mac,\delta} \\ \rho \delta_H C_H C_{H\alpha} & \rho \delta_H C_H C_{H\delta} - K_\delta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha \\ \delta \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ -K_\delta \delta_0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

where

$$H: \text{moment about the hinge line of control surface}$$

$$= \rho \delta_H C_H C_H$$

$$= \gamma S H C_H (C_{H\alpha} \alpha + C_{H\delta} \delta)$$

Assumptions

$$\alpha_r = 0$$

$$C_{mac, \delta} = 0$$

$$C_{L_0} = 0$$

If $|A| = 0 \Rightarrow \gamma_{D1} \dots$ divergence $\gamma = \text{lowest} + \{\gamma_{D1}, \gamma_{D2}\}$

If A is non-singular,

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \alpha \\ \delta \end{Bmatrix} = A^{-1} \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ -K_{\alpha} \delta_0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

If A is singular

$\Rightarrow \det A = 0 \Rightarrow$ quadratic equation in γ_D

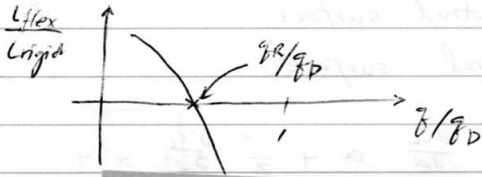
\Rightarrow lowest positive γ_D is the "divergence dynamic pressure"

If system is rigid,

$$L_{rigid} = \gamma S C_{L\delta} \delta_0 \quad (\alpha_r = 0)$$

However, with flexible attachment

$$L_{flexible} = \gamma S (C_{L\alpha} \alpha + C_{L\delta} \delta)$$



γ_R

$$\gamma S \left\{ C_{L\alpha} (-) \frac{\gamma S C_{L\delta} + \gamma S C_{mac, \delta}}{e \gamma S C_{L\alpha} - K_{\alpha}} + C_{L\delta} \right\} = 0 \quad \text{mic pressure}$$

$$\gamma S \left\{ C_{L\alpha} (-) \frac{\gamma S C_{L\delta} + \gamma S C_{mac, \delta}}{e \gamma S C_{L\alpha} - K_{\alpha}} + \frac{e \gamma S C_{L\delta} - C_{L\delta} K_{\alpha}}{e \gamma S C_{L\alpha} - K_{\alpha}} \right\}$$

\Rightarrow

$$-C_{L\alpha} \gamma S C_{mac, \delta} - C_{L\delta} K_{\alpha} = 0$$

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$$\gamma = - \frac{K_{\alpha}}{S \cdot C} \frac{C_{L\delta} / C_{L\alpha}}{C_{mac, \delta}}$$

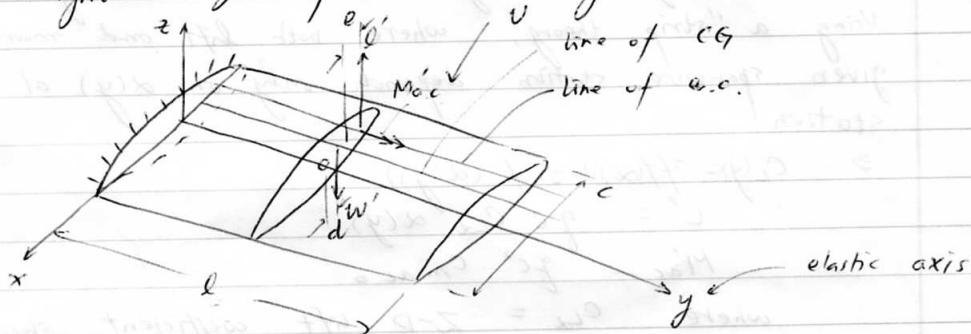
$$\text{mac } \delta) \delta = 0$$

$$) = 0$$

For $\frac{dL}{dx} = 0$

$$q_R = -\frac{K_x}{S c} \frac{C_{L\alpha}/C_{L\alpha}}{C_{m\alpha\alpha}}$$

• Straight high-aspect-ratio Wing



e' = lift per unit span

$$e = x_{ca} - x_{ac}$$

$$d = x_{ca} - x_{cg}$$

$$N = \frac{L}{S_w} = \frac{l}{c}$$

clamped-free BC

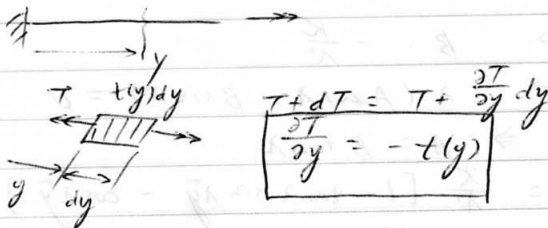
$$N m_y = W', \quad N: \text{normal load factor}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{z}{g}$$

The total moment applied at the elastic axis:

$$M_{ea} = L'e + M_{ac} - W'd = t(y) : \text{applied torque/span}$$

For the equilibrium equations, let's consider a rod in torsion.



Constitutive law for an uncoupled torsion rod is

$$T = GJ \frac{d\theta}{dy}$$

where GJ : torsional stiffness

J : function of (geometry of airfoil)

$J = I_p =$ polar moment of inertia for circular $\textcircled{11}$
 ← p. 17 (Book)

Combining the two equations

$$GJ \frac{d^2\theta}{dy^2} = -t(y) = -L'e - M'ac + Nmgd$$

Using a "strip theory", where both lift and moment at a given spanwise station depend only on $\alpha(y)$ at given station.

$$\Rightarrow C_L(y) = f(\alpha) = f(\alpha(y))$$

$$\therefore L' = \rho c C_L \alpha(y)$$

$$M'ac = \rho c^2 C_{mac}$$

where $C_L =$ 2-D lift coefficient slope

[Note] Assume $C_L, C_{mac} \neq f(y)$
 constant airfoil, chord

Therefore,

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{d\bar{y}^2} + \lambda^2\theta = K \quad \text{--- governing equation}$$

where,

$$\bar{y} = y/l$$

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{l^2 \rho c C_L \alpha}{GJ}$$

$$K = -l^2/GJ (\rho c C_L \alpha + \rho c^2 C_{mac} - Nmgd)$$

The B.C.: $\theta(0) = 0$ --- cantilevered

$$T(l) = 0 = \frac{d\theta}{d\bar{y}}(1) \quad \text{--- free end}$$

The general solution is:

$$\theta(\bar{y}) = A \sin \lambda \bar{y} + B \cos \lambda \bar{y} + \frac{K}{\lambda^2}$$

Applying B.C.:

$$\theta(0) = 0 \rightarrow B = -\frac{K}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\bar{y}}(1) = 0 \rightarrow \lambda (A \cos \lambda - B \sin \lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A = B \tan \lambda$$

$$\text{Finally, } \theta(\bar{y}) = \frac{K}{\lambda^2} [1 - \tan \lambda \sin \lambda \bar{y} - \cos \lambda \bar{y}]$$

Divergence occurs when $\theta(\bar{y}) \rightarrow \infty$, and this happens when

$$\lambda_n \rightarrow (2n-1) \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

The torsional divergence will occur for the lowest n

(n=1), yielding

$$g_D = \left(\frac{\pi}{2l}\right)^2 \frac{GJ}{c c c_{\alpha}}$$

[Note] Comparing with typical section

$$K_{\alpha} = \frac{GJ}{l} \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2$$

Using the homogeneous part of the governing equation

$$\theta(\bar{y}) = A \sin \lambda \bar{y} + B \cos \lambda \bar{y}$$

Applying B.C.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \lambda \cos \lambda & -\lambda \sin \lambda \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} A \\ B \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

For nontrivial solution,

$$\det(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda \cos \lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda_n = (2n-1) \cdot \frac{\pi}{2}$$

If $e < 0$, the characteristic equation becomes

$$\cosh |\lambda| = 0$$

$\exists \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$, $\cosh |\lambda| = 0 \Rightarrow$ no divergence!

• Airload

Distribution

The spanwise lift distribution (L') as,

$$L'(\bar{y}) = z c c_{\alpha} (\alpha_r + \theta(\bar{y}))$$

$$\text{where, } \theta(\bar{y}) = \frac{\kappa}{\lambda^2} (1 - \tan \lambda \sin \lambda \bar{y} - \cos \lambda \bar{y})$$

and $K = K(\alpha_r, N)$

For a given $\alpha_r \Rightarrow$ corresponding elastic twist distribution

\Rightarrow particular airload distribution

\Rightarrow integrate over the span - total lift (L)

But also $L = N W$

Therefore, only α_r or N may be specified and the other is determined from total lift

$$L = z l \int_0^l L' d\bar{y}$$

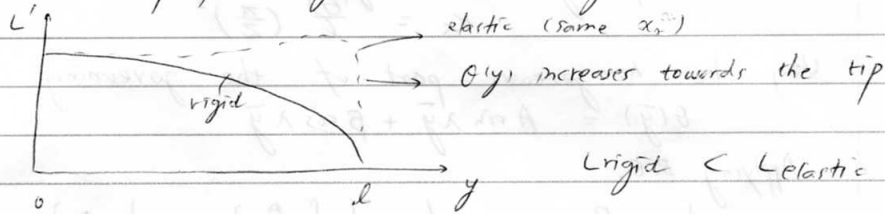
two wings

$$\Rightarrow L = 2 z c c_{\alpha} l \left[\alpha_r + \frac{\kappa(\alpha_r, N)}{\lambda^2} \left(1 - \frac{\tan \lambda}{\lambda}\right) \right] = N W$$

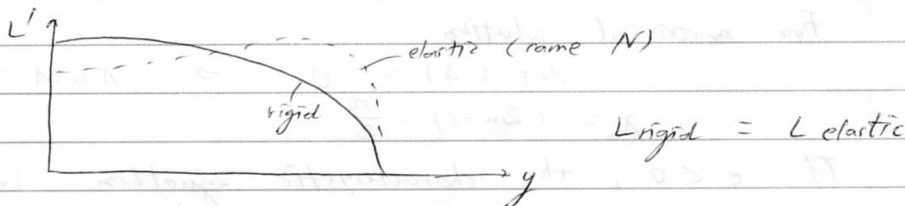
Generally, in industry:

a) α_r is specified by aerodynamicist or performance engineer

b) N is specified by structural engineer



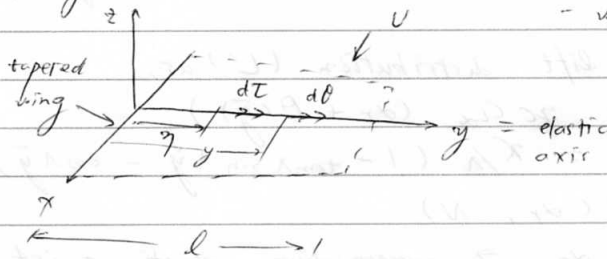
additional load outboard



increase of inboard moment

- Non-Uniform

Lifting Surface



- variable cross section properties

- structural (Flexibility) Influence Function

For a linear elastic structure,

$$c^{\theta\theta}(y, \eta) = \frac{d\theta(y)}{dT(\eta)} = \text{resulting twist at point } y \text{ due to torque at point } \eta$$

(Notation in textbook: $c^{\alpha\alpha}$)

$t(y)$ = applied torque / span

$$dT(\eta) = t(\eta) d\eta$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(y) = \int_0^l c^{\theta\theta}(y, \eta) t(\eta) d\eta$$

- Numerical Integration by weighting numbers

$$I = \int_a^b f(y) dy \approx \sum_{i=1}^N f_i w_i$$

$$I = [W] \{f\} = [1] [W_i] \{f\}$$

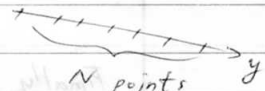
\uparrow integration matrix of weight numbers

[Note] Ref. B.A.H. p. 809-812

Therefore, the elastic twist can be expressed as

$$\{0\} = [C^{00}] [W_i] \{t\}$$

$N \times 1$ $N \times N$ $N \times N$ $N \times 1$



- Structural (Flexibility) Influence Coefficients

Discretized version of the structural Influence Function

If ΔT_j = variation of torque at station j

$\Delta \theta_i$ = corresponding variation of twist at station i

Then, for linear elastic structure, $C_{ij} = \frac{\Delta \theta_i}{\Delta T_j}$

$$\Rightarrow \theta_i = \sum_{j=1}^N C_{ij} T_j = [C] \{T\}$$

$$\{0\} = [C] \{T\}$$

[Note] $\{T\} = [C]^{-1} \{0\}$

\uparrow stiffness matrix

- Static Aeroelastic Equilibrium

$$\theta(y) = \int_0^x C^{00}(y, \eta) t(\eta) d\eta$$

$$= \int_0^x C^{00}(y, \eta) \left\{ \int_0^x [e(\eta) c_{cc}(\eta) + c^2(\eta) c_{mac}(\eta)] + N g_m(\eta) d(\eta) \right\} d\eta$$

Discretizing the span along N points and using an appropriate integration scheme

$$\{0\} = [E] \{c_{cc}\} + [F] \{c_{mac}\} - N g [G] \{m\}$$

where, $[E] = [C^{00}] [W_i] [e_i]$

$$[F] = [C^{00}] [W_i] [c^2_i]$$

$$[G] = [C^{00}] [W_i] [d_i]$$

- Aerodynamic Influence Coefficients

If the spanwise airload distribution can be linearly

related to the angle of attack distribution, then:

$$A_{ij} = \frac{c_{ce}}{\alpha_j}$$

[Note] From 'strip theory' $\rightarrow [A]$: diagonal

Therefore, $\{c_{ce}\} = [A] \{\alpha\}$

where $\{\alpha\} = \{\alpha_r\} + \{\alpha_t\}$

$$\{\alpha_r\} = \alpha_r(0) \{1\} + \{\alpha_t\}$$

wing root angle of attack

\uparrow built-in geometric twist

Finally, $[A]^{-1} \{c_{ce}\} + \{\alpha_r\} \rightarrow \{0\}$

- Aeroelastic Load Distribution

$$[A]^{-1} \{c_{ce}\} = \alpha_r(0) \{1\} + \{\alpha_t\} + g[E] \{c_{ce}\} + g[F] \{c_{mac}\} - Ng[G] \{m\}$$

We can solve by specifying $\alpha_r(0)$ or N , and use the normal load eqn.

$$L/W = N$$

- Airload Distribution

$$[A]^{-1} \{c_{ce}\} = \alpha_r(0) \{1\} + \{\alpha_t\} + g[E] \{c_{ce}\} + g[F] \{c_{mac}\} - Ng[G] \{m\}$$

As before, $\alpha_r(0)$ and N are related through total lift

$$N = L/W$$

$$\Rightarrow L = NW = Zg \int_0^1 c_{ce} dy$$

$$= Zg L1 [W.] \{c_{ce}\}$$

$$0 = NW - Zg L1 [W.] \{c_{ce}\}$$

Specify $\alpha_r(0)$

The two sets of equations together

$$\begin{bmatrix} [A]^{-1} - g[E] & g[G] \{m\} \\ Zg L1 [W.] & -W \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \{c_{ce}\} \\ N \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \alpha_r(0) \{1\} + \{\alpha_t\} \\ + g[F] \{c_{mac}\} \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

- Torsional Divergence

What dynamic pressure will yield a finite load distribution

when there are no external disturbance?

$$([A] - \gamma[E]) \{c\} = \{0\}$$

divergence occurs when $\det A = 0$
 $\rightarrow \gamma_D$ is lowest root

We could also write:

$$[A][E] \{c\} = \left(\frac{1}{\gamma}\right) \{c\}$$

$$= A \cdot X = \lambda \cdot X$$

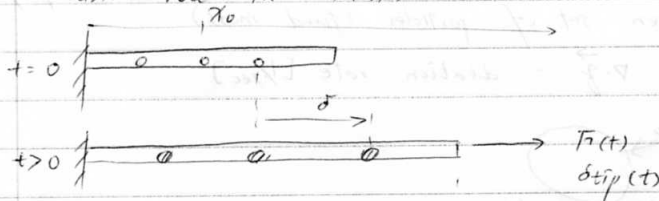
Ref: Dowell's § 2.4 (2-D wing representation)

UNSTEADY AERODYNAMICS - Review

A. Field Description

B. Governing Equations & Simplifications

• Elastic rod in extension (1-D)

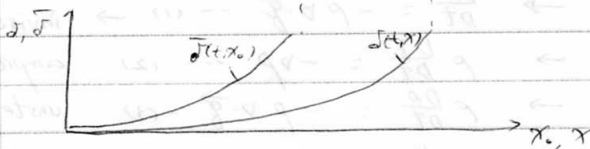


a) $\bar{\delta}(t, x_0)$

b) $\delta(t, x)$

--- Lagrangian description, material based \rightarrow structure

--- Eulerian description, spatially-based, fluids



• Velocity seen by particle (given x_0)

a) $\bar{u}(t, x_0) = \frac{\partial \bar{\delta}}{\partial t} \Big|_{\text{fixed } x_0}$

b) $u(t, x) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow \Delta x t} \frac{\delta(t+\Delta t, x+\Delta x) - \delta(t, x)}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial x}$

--- not useful for defining u

--- definition for $\delta(t, x)$ given $u(t, x)$

• Acceleration seen by particle

$$a) \bar{a}(t, x_0) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \right|_{\text{fixed } x_0}$$

$$b) a(t, x) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{u(t+\Delta t, x(t+\Delta t)) - u(t, x)}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{Du}{Dt}$$

$\frac{Du}{Dt}$: total acceleration

$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$: field acceleration

$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$: convective acceleration

$\frac{Du}{Dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$ --- "invariant" same value in any inertial frame x, t

$\frac{D}{Dt}$: total rate of change of any quantity

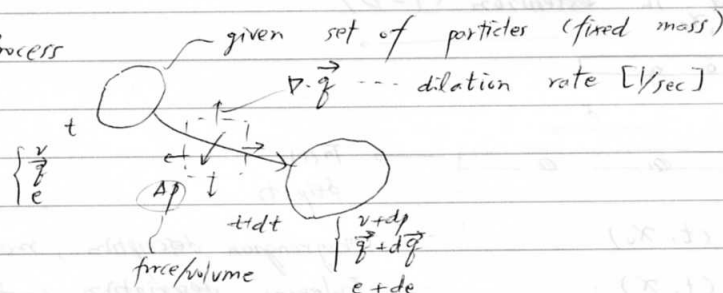
• Governing Equations

$v(x, y, z, t)$: volume / mass $\equiv V/\rho(x, y, z, t)$

$\vec{v}(x, y, z, t)$: momentum / mass \equiv velocity

$e(x, y, z, t)$: internal energy / mass $= \int C_v dT = \underbrace{C_v T}_{\text{perfect gas}}$

Process



$$\frac{Dv}{Dt} = v \nabla \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} \quad \text{--- (1) ---}$$

inviscid,

$$\frac{D\vec{v}}{Dt} = -\nabla p$$

$$\rightarrow \rho \frac{D\vec{v}}{Dt} = -\nabla p \quad \text{--- (2) ---}$$

compressible,

$$\frac{De}{Dt} = -p \frac{Dv}{Dt}$$

$$\rightarrow \rho \frac{De}{Dt} = -p \nabla \cdot \vec{v} \quad \text{--- (3) ---}$$

unsteady

"Inviscid & non-conducting"

$$+ \quad p = p(\rho, e) = \underbrace{(1-1)}_{\text{General}} \underbrace{\rho e}_{\text{Ideal gas}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} (3) - \frac{1}{\rho^2} (1) :$$

$$\frac{De}{Dt} - p \frac{D(1/\rho)}{Dt} = 0$$

definition of enthalpy

$$T ds = de - p d\left(\frac{1}{\rho}\right)$$