

1. Explain how you can estimate the following stability derivatives and how these stability derivatives do relate to the aircraft static stability characteristics.

$$C_{m_u}, C_{m_\alpha}, C_{m_\dot{q}}, C_{l_\beta}, C_{n_\beta}, C_{n_r}$$

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2. Let the short period mode of an aircraft be represented as the following equations,

$$\dot{w} = Z_w w + U_0 \dot{q} + Z_{\delta_e} \delta_e$$

$$\dot{q} = (M_w + M_{\dot{w}} Z_w) w + (M_{\dot{q}} + U_0 M_{\ddot{w}}) \dot{q} + (M_{\dot{w}} Z_{\delta_e} + M_{\delta_e}) \delta_e$$

where $Z_w = -0.74 \text{ 1/sec}$, $U_0 = 630 \text{ ft/sec}$

$$Z_{\delta_e} = -1.56 \text{ ft/sec}^2$$

$$M_w = -.004 \text{ 1/ft-sec}, M_{\dot{w}} = -7.62 \times 10^{-5} \text{ 1/ft}$$

$$M_{\dot{q}} = -.286 \text{ 1/sec}, M_{\delta_e} = -8.3 \text{ 1/sec}^2$$

$$w \sim (\text{ft/sec}), \dot{q} \sim (\text{rad/sec}), \delta_e \sim (\text{rad})$$

Find (1) The damping ratio and natural frequency of the short period mode,

(2) If $\delta_e = -5 u(t)$ (deg) find the responses of $\alpha(t)$, $\dot{q}(t)$ and $a_z(t)$, where a_z is the normal acceleration (positive up).

(3) Sketch $\alpha(t)$, $\dot{q}(t)$ and $a_z(t)$ obtained in (2). Indicate the envelope curves, the period, the steady state values and the overshoots clearly.

$$\text{Note: } u(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & t < 0 \\ 1, & t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

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3.

An aircraft is maneuvering with an angular speed

$$\bar{\omega} = 90\bar{i} + 5\bar{j} - 5\bar{k} \text{ (deg/sec)}$$

where \bar{i} , \bar{j} and \bar{k} are the unit vectors in the (aircraft) body frame. Determine the attitude changing rate $\dot{\phi}$, $\dot{\theta}$ and $\dot{\psi}$ at the instant that the aircraft has the attitude, $\theta = 30^\circ$ and $\phi = 60^\circ$.

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4.

The thrust available at an angle of attack of 8 degrees is 30% more than required to fly the airplane horizontally. The airplane weights 8000 pounds and has a wing area of 500 square feet. The lift coefficient of the wing is 0.975 and the L/D of the airplane is 10.15. What is the rate of climb?

(Use $\rho = .002378 \text{ slug/ft}^3$)

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