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The main objective has been to assess vehicle design evaluation over Mach number and altitude operating envelope with S&C considerations as part of the design synthesis. It is implied that design tools have needed to be “anchored”, so as to focus on the importance of S&C. In this Phase 1 report, we have addressed a series of issues. It is worth mentioning that the analyses tended to expand as we went more deeply into the various aspects, often beyond the initial expectations.

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It is therefore of great interest to know, quantitatively, the significance of such issues.

This report covers work in Phase 1. S&C issues covering Longitudinal and Lateral/ Directional aspects have been included. Several avenues for future work have been indicated including conceptual designs.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. Air Vehicles at High Speeds

Currently there is interest in developing aircraft with long-range capability at very high speeds, developing further the supersonic concepts illustrated in Fig.1.1.1. Typical anticipated roles could be reconnaissance and bombing missions.

A concern is that, often for the sake of expedience, the conceptual design phases focus more on performance and much less on more complex Stability and Control (S&C) aspects (about all axes). Consequently, S&C aspects considered later in the design cycle can severely compromise the original design objectives (L/D, strike capability range, weight growth). A better approach will therefore be to include the major aspects of S&C in the conceptual design phases. Supersonic aircraft require a compromise between low-speed and high-speed capabilities and S&C issues can remain very central throughout the operational envelope. The payloads in supersonic aircraft are generally smaller than those of subsonic aircraft.

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1.2. Content and Layout of this Report

The remainder of this report is contained in Sections 2 to 13.

- **Section 2** outlines the design requirements and questions to be addressed and
- **Section 3** refers to the scope of the work, showing the wide range of possibilities. The phased programme of work is outlined.
- **Section 4** reviews the main drivers associated with the design of supersonic aircraft and discusses examples (XB-70 and Concorde). The importance of assessing vortex lift contributions is then discussed in **Section 5**.
- **Section 6** reviews the effects of planform geometry on S&C aspects.
- **Section 7** examines Ground Effects on Longitudinal and Sideslip control.
- **Section 8** looks briefly at variable geometry possibilities, e.g. Folded Tips.
  A brief assessment of various control aspects on typical planforms over a wide M range is given in **Section 9**.
- **Section 10** looks at Inertial Coupling aspects and the importance of configuration and control surface geometry.
- **Section 11** presents an initial performance evaluation for Strike Aircraft with comparisons for Concorde and XB-70. The effects of S&C and L/D on Range are discussed.
  In **Section 12** areas for further work are outlined.
- **Section 13** presents Conclusions.

2. DESIGN REQUIREMENTS and QUESTIONS TO BE ADDRESSED

There are several options and design requirements feasible. Currently the ideas are towards the following:

- **2.1. Typical Design Requirements**:
  - Tailless (horizontal) configuration Bomber in the size/weight class of Concorde and the XB-70 - that implies MTOW around 400,000 – 600,000 lbs.
- Questions arise about certain aspects e.g. low observability, variable geometry, presence of vertical fins etc.!! Folding wing tips may be required for very high speed designs to avoid excess Lift.

- Low observability and stealth considerations may influence the presence of additional surfaces (tail, canard and fin).

- Thrust vectoring could be a possibility especially for low speed.

- Cruise Mach number: 1.0+ to 2.0 to 3.0 or more – using turbo-jets. At the higher speed end, Space shuttle type concepts appear.

- Range circa 4000 nm and payload about 3-6% MTOW – to be confirmed.

- Field Performance near Mach 0.2 – 0.3, highlighting the S&C compromises between low speeds and high speeds. Adequate control powers needed throughout flight envelope. This may imply cg movements, controlled through fuel transfer.

- This implies adequate α (AOA) range capability: from about 2 deg to 20 deg. (maximum and minimum estimates at his stage)

- Similarly, β (Side-Slip angle), α etc. capability is required for maneuvering, landing and possible engine-out situations. In the longer term transients analysis is also required (if doable)

- In the long run, Longitudinal S&C aero elastic modes need to be included. Early studies may use simplified estimations of deflections and corrections

- Static and Dynamic S&C factors are to be considered in design synthesis

A classic example was the design of Concorde with respect to cg position and effects on L/D, see Section 5. AOA limits also resulted because of vortical flow breakdown as well as keeping the undercarriage weight low (The weight is of the same order as the payload).

2.2. Typical Aspects and Questions to be addressed

There is wide scope for interesting but challenging configuration work in the light of the bias towards different levels of S&C requirements. Typical aspects at present, based on early discussions with AFRL, are as follows. However, these ideas will develop as further discussions take place:

1. How [qualitative and quantitatively] do S&C requirements influence vehicle shape, performance, fuel efficiency etc., throughout the flight envelope? First order cost estimates can be given.

2. To gain an understanding at the onset of the programme, attention will be devoted to an analysis of typical existing designs and knowledge base available.

3. What S&C requirements have greatest / smallest impact on the vehicle shape, performance, cost, etc.?

4. Are there configuration solutions where static and dynamic S&C factors have minimal impact on vehicle shape, performance, cost, etc., but still satisfy S&C requirements? What level of variable geometry is appropriate?

5. At the end of the study, what can be said about the process? How effective was it? How can it be improved? What S&C factors brought about the greatest changes [vehicle shaping, other]? What were the overwhelming S&C considerations/factors that dominated/drove the configuration shape/mold lines [e.g., were they static or dynamic factors, which ones, etc.?
3. SETTING THE SCOPE OF THE PRESENT PROGRAMME

3.1. Wide Range of Possibilities

From the viewpoint of setting up the scope of the Programme, the first step is towards using some of the existing knowledge on larger supersonic aircraft from an S&C perspective. Refs.1-9 give an idea of our previous work on supersonic configurations, including work carried out for AFRL scientists.

The subsequent stages are to exploit the knowledge within the context of the present programme in a more integrated sense. This then initiates the main body of work.

Final stages will lead to firming up on the inferences and recommendations for future work. Including comments on methodology and improvements.

This subject is considered very timely in view of the time-frames for the high-speed project.

Obviously, the scope of the work is broad. The Work Programme is to be phased, in line with availability of funds and time estimates. Following recent discussions with AFRL Technical Monitor (Mr. Charles Suchomel), the proposals are to work through initially in 2-3 phases, addressing the aspects and questions raised in Sections 1 & 2.

3.2. Phase 1 Work Programme

The following aspects will be addressed in this phase:

1. Use two or three existing / historical configurations to derive guide-lines for S&C, including Payload – range diagrams, Mach capability, cg variation, fuel transfer, control sizing (for all 3 axes flight), etc. Some guide-lines for longitudinal S&C follow from Concorde experience.

For supersonic aircraft, attaining an adequate low-speed performance is the key to success and this leads to the next point.

2. Select / derive generic configuration. Assume Flight envelope (Mach, altitude), payload – range capability. No horizontal tail but Vertical tail (Fin) may be an option. Concorde provides a useful starting point for laying out longitudinal S&C aspects.

(a). Design without and with S&C aspects for all 3-axes
(b). Assess at important points on flight envelope at all speeds (low, transonic and high)
(d). Engine out, about 4° β requirement. The presence of vertical surfaces remains an important issue during preliminary design process. So it needs to be included.

Phase 1 makes the outline case. The results from this phase will then be exploited in more detail in second and subsequent phases.

3.3. Phase 2 Work Programme Envisaged

Extend the work of Phase 1 in more detail.

Use a few representative generic configurations in co-operation with technical monitors. Variable wing sweep configurations may be a possibility. Assume Flight envelope (Mach, altitude), payload – range capability.

The work programme is aimed towards answering the typical questions in Section 1.

3.4. Subsequent Phases of work
Assess the effect of possible morphing aircraft. One such design would be a configuration with an expandable wing tip that holds fuel and retracts as fuel is burned. Although open ended, this is an important item as other types of morphing are possible and more effort can be directed as needed.

Assess the effect of alternate fuels, and possible alternate reserve fuels (liquid hydrogen as reserve fuel).

Assess potential effect on efficiency if an unconventional aerial refueling infra-structure were constructed.

4. THE MAIN “DRIVERS” ASSOCIATED WITH SUPersonic AIRCRAFT DESIGN

4.1. General Supersonic Configurations

Figs. 4.1.1 – 2 show several supersonic aircraft and planform developments. It is interesting to note the diversity. Notable designs that were developed are the XB-70 with folding outer wing panels, the B-1 with variable wing geometry and Concorde with complex ogival wing planform and camber distribution. Possible advanced technologies that may be included in future designs are outlined in Fig.4.1.3. These have particular relevance to S&C aspects at low and high speed. They include variable LE geometry for both separation control and drag reduction. “Virtual” control surfaces at TE arise from morphing wing technology. This may be considered in conjunction with powerplant thrust vectoring.

We consider the anticipated flight envelope for Civil and Military applications. We then look in detail at a civil application, Concorde, and typical military applications, XB-70.

4.2. Flight Envelope Considerations and Properties of Supersonic Aircraft

Figs. 4.2.1 – 2 refer to Altitude – C_L considerations for different Mach numbers (M 0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 2.0, 3.0 and 4.0) and wing-loading (W/S). In particular, Fig.4.2.2 refers to the relationships near sea-level (speed of sound 661.9 kts) for take-off and landing estimates. We have shown relationships for M 0.2, 0.25 and 0.3 (132.4, 165.5 and 198.6 kt respectively).

Considering that α achievable near ground is about 14 deg, the slender supersonic configurations enable C_L of about 0.5-0.6. At typical ground speeds (M 0.25 to 0.3), we imply W/S near 60.

For high speeds, higher altitudes are required to obtain reasonable levels of C_L and hence good L/D. This can be beset by limitations associated with air-breathing propulsion technology.

Fig.4.2.3 gives an idea of weight fractions, aerodynamic efficiency and power-plant efficiency variations with M and weight, based on DARPA estimates and challenges set for the QSP programme, Ref.15. We note that designs taken through to test flight and, in some cases, beyond into service (Concorde, XB-70 and SR-71) lie on fairly consistent trends, L/D – M, M.L/D – M, WP/MTOW – M, etc. Advanced projects, such as the HSCT, Douglas SCR and Lockheed SCR have generated their own trend with typical increased efficiency levels. The long-term goal of the QSP project was a magnitude more efficient and extremely challenging.

Typical altitude versus time or range plots, for Concorde, are shown in Fig.4.2.4. In Fig.4.2.4(a) aircraft weight and fuel used fraction are shown at various significant points during the flight. We note that 23% of the block fuel (WFB) has been consumed by the time the aircraft reaches M 1.7 at 47,000 ft. Aircraft weight (%MTOW) is shown at significant points during the flight in Fig.4.2.4(b). At M 1.7, 47,000 ft, the aircraft weight has reduced by almost 10%, representing 23% WFB. On landing, WFB (total consumed) is equivalent to 42% MTOW.

Typical flight profiles (altitude versus M and C_L) from M'Donnell studies are shown in Fig.4.2.5. In this case, 26% WFB is consumed during climb to M 2.0 cruise at 55,000 ft and 10% WFB is used during descent.
We consider typical weight breakdown of Concorde and projected cruise vehicles as shown in Fig.4.2.6. Using current technology (fly-by-wire, improved materials and structures, more efficient engines etc.), the overall weight of a “derived Concorde” could be reduced and the range increased. The payload fraction would increase from 5 or 6% to 7.6%. Further, a scaling to a 250-seater, 760,000 lb aircraft is shown. Aircraft structure weight (OEW) ratio remains fairly constant at 42% to 43% MTOW. Typically supersonic aircraft are 50% fuel which includes reserves equivalent to 9% to 10% MTOW. The reserves amount to 50 - 60% more than the payload. Aircraft weight varies during supersonic cruise from about 75% to 55% MTOW. This implies corresponding reductions in W/S, noting that $C_L$ is near 0.1 at supersonic cruise. Typical landing weights may be up to 60% MTOW.

An example of fuel usage and weight breakdown for a SST over a range of 5,500nm is shown in Fig.4.2.7 (Ref.10). It is interesting to note that a quarter of the fuel (26%) is burnt in climb-out / acceleration in reaching a M 2 cruise speed at 55,000 ft. Approximately 10% MTOW fuel is carried for contingency and reserves.

Fig.4.2.8 (based on Ref.10) emphasizes the drag breakdown for a SST. Extreme care needs to be exercised in the interpretation of $C_{D0}$. The correction required from model tests to flight is large and its impact on aircraft fuel burnt is of the same order as the payload. Further detail is in Ref.10. Reduction of $C_{D0}$ is literally the challenge for supersonic flight. Wing skin friction drag contributes 35% of $C_{D0}$, while the fuselage skin friction contributes 15% of $C_{D0}$. For the future, this continues to emphasise the need for laminar flow control, passive or active.

Fig.4.2.9 shows a possible military mission. We would obviously like to quantify the configuration related parameters e.g. $C_L$, best altitude etc. within practicality and feasibility limits considering current (state of the art) and future technology. The military mission shows in-flight delivery/release of the “payload” but we have to cater for the fail-safe or aborted mission when the payload may not be dropped.

Fig.4.2.10 shows the sfc trends against cruise specific thrust. M and engine bypass ratio are also varied, Ref.11. Thrust requirements, drag levels, at cruise M of up to 4.0 will impose sfc limitations on conventionally designed turbojet engines and intakes.

From this brief overview of supersonic aircraft design, future ambitions and current capabilities, we compile the following list of areas of interest and concern.

**Areas of Interest and Concern**

- As cruise design target rises, the aircraft design will become more slender, M 3 desired
- Slender aircraft have limited low speed capability (Take-Off and Landing)
  - Low speed problems can dominate
  - With or without vortex lift – substantial difference to be noted at design stage
  - Runway length limitations (up to 10,000 ft)
  - Take-Off and Landing speeds
  - AR, 14° rotation limit, undercarriage weight / strength limits
- S&C complications associated with slender aircraft – with or without vertical fin
- Need to quantify impact of S&C at all stages of design
  - Two surfaces, Canard or Tail-plane
- Re-Design Concorde without S&C constraint

**Specific Problem Areas**

- Asymmetric case (4° – 5° $\beta$), Engine-out, Cross-wind 30 kt (low or high speed)
- Wing drop – Transonic speeds in yaw (4°).
  - “Springing” vortices – one wing supersonic, the other not.
  - TE sweep low – mixed flow – could diverge. Outer elevons locked
Vertical Fin on Super Sabre F-100 had to be enlarged
High Speed Yaw on Blackbird SR71 due to mixed compression engine unstarts, move
spike to equalize.
Controls – often over-sized. Increases OEW and hinge-moment penalties
Inertia implications. Full aileron deflection required first to give impetus, then ease off.
C_\beta and Wallowing, Dutch Roll
Propulsion issues sfc, Payload Range
Fuel Transfer to shift cg to compensate for CoP shift with M
Controllability at high \( \alpha \),
HP 115 boundaries beyond usual but pilots could handle it – low roll inertia

**General Comments Relating to Supersonic Aircraft Design**

High speed design beset by low speed issues
Propulsion sfc and M variation
Current estimates (low by-pass) – 1.2 at M 2.0, 1.4 at M 3.0, etc
Weights and intended Range – note trade-off with sfc
Number of engines and layout
T/W near 0.4
High speed yaw, XB-70, vertical fin(s), C_\beta
Take-Off speed about 200 kt (M 0.3) \( \alpha \) 14°
Vortex lift implications
Descent, operating at back of drag curve, consider thrust reversal
Landing with parachutes
Fuel Transfer

**4.3. XB-70**

The North American XB-70, Valkyrie, was the prototype for the proposed B-70 deep penetration
bomber. It was designed in the late 1950s with M 3.0 capability at 70,000 ft. It was powered by
six GE YJ93-GE-3 turbo-jet engines (with re-heat). The engines were rated at 30,000 lb static
thrust. The intended design range was “Intercontinental” but flight test analysis suggested that
this had been over estimated by 25%. This was attributed to a combination of L/D over-
estimation and transonic drag and inlet performance under-estimation. The S&C aspects with two
surface layout played a great role in bestowing adequate low-speed handling.

Two prototypes were built and flown from 1964 to 1969 but the development project had been
cancelled in 1961. Several publications, including Refs.16 to 21, are specifically related to XB-70
design, development and flight test. The experience gained during the XB-70 flight test and
evaluation programme will be invaluable in the design of future supersonic aircraft.

Analysis of early flight data, Ref.18, highlighted key areas of interest relating to handling,
performance and noise (observability). The general handling qualities and performance were
found to be satisfactory. However, excessive elevon trim requirements led to adverse aileron yaw
characteristics. Landing and approach speeds were 40 to 50 kt higher, with similar sink rates, than
jet transports of that era. An appreciable Lift increase in Ground effect was noted. Temperature
increases due to skin friction heating effects at high speed were measured and compared well
with predictions. It was noted that “dense” structures such as the folding tip actuators experienced
thermal gradient lag. This would be of interest and perhaps concern to structural engineers.
Cockpit noise levels at supersonic speeds were comparable to jet transports in cruise flight. It was
found that sonic boom effects, measured on the ground, might occur with the aircraft operating at
higher altitudes than anticipated. S&C discrepancies between flight test data and those predicted
from wind tunnel tests are partially attributed to aero-elastic effects.
The general assembly and leading particulars for the XB-70 are shown in Fig.4.3.1, noting in particular folding tips hinge-line and control surface range and axis of movements (Fin/Rudder, Trailing Edge Flap (TEF) and Canard). Fig.4.3.2 shows the flight envelope and restricted areas for particular tip deflection angles. Flight test and predicted data are compared in Fig.4.3.3 at typical cruise conditions, M 3.0, α 4°.

XB-70 weight variation during a M 3.0 test flight is shown in Fig.4.3.4 together with corresponding cg shift, Ref.17. Take-Off (TOW) and Landing weights are 534,700 lb and 280,300 lb. Typical OEW is about 210,000 lb (39 % MTOW). Total fuel consumed at end of M 3.0 cruise is about 230,000 lb and after landing is 254,700 lb WFB 47% MTOW). Typical climb-out profiles (Altitude v M) for proposed supersonic transports and a hypothetical XB-70 profile are compared in Fig.4.3.5. In general, the less extensive transport profile lies within the XB-70 profile. Also shown are the climb-out profile for an XB-70 M 3.0 test flight and test data-points, Ref.17. Further climb-out and descent profiles and test data-points are shown in Fig.4.3.6 together with tip deflection requirements. The latter envelope compares with Fig.4.3.2. The variation of moments and products of inertia with aircraft weight are shown in Fig.4.3.7 during M 3.0 flight.

XB-70 S&C characteristics were evaluated from early phases of the flight test programme. It was noted that S&C flight test data, for the three wing tip deflection cases, compared well with predictions based on wind-tunnel tests and theoretical estimates of structural flexibility effects (aero-elasticity). During the early phases of the test flight programme, Take-Off and Landings, the “augmentation” system (effectively dampers within the flight control system) was disabled. The following summarises some of the key points noted from the flight test analysis:-

- Short-period and Dutch roll modes of the unaugmented Aircraft were positively damped.
- Longitudinal damping characteristics tended to correspond with predictions for the flexible aircraft.
- Fairly heavy damping ratio of about 0.5 evident at low speeds.
- Light damping ratio of about 0.1 at high supersonic speeds
- Dutch roll damping of about 0.2 or less throughout M range had been underestimated at supersonic conditions due to underestimation of yaw damping due to yaw rate.
- Neutral point was at approximately 30% c_aero for 25° and 65° wing tip deflection cases at supersonic speeds and at 27% to 29% c_aero at subsonic speeds with wing tips undeflected. Predicted values had been slightly higher.
- The XB-70 exhibited adverse (negative) aileron-yaw coupling at M > 0.9. Favourable coupling characteristics had been predicted. Positive values of aileron-yaw coupling were obtained at subsonic speeds but of lower magnitude than predicted.
- Flight evaluated effective dihedral was negative for 65° deflected tips and higher than predicted. This, combined with the adverse aileron-yaw characteristics, could lead to pilot induced oscillations.
- Flight tests showed a marked reduction in directional stability beyond β 2°. Wind-tunnel data showed this non-linearity to be a canard interference effect.
- Rigid wind-tunnel model compared with flight test data showed the effects of aero-elasticity to be significant for static pitch stability, pitch control effectiveness, roll-control effectiveness, static directional stability and effective dihedral derivatives.

4.4. Concorde

The following are selected key observations relevant to low speed handling S&C issues for supersonic aircraft design, Ref.22.

**Ground handling**
The entire Concorde structure was designed to tolerate heat and thermal expansion. To ensure that the expansions did not induce structural loads in their own right, pin jointed arrangements were incorporated, allowing deflections without extra loads. This led to a very floppy structure. As a result the flight-deck ride was “quite violent” during the take-off run, reaching +/-2g. This was sufficient to dislodge pilots’ headsets and flight instrumentation became unreadable as rotation speed was approached. Modifications resulted which included replacement of the original single-stroke oleos with a two-stroke system. This produced a 25% reduction in loads but was still not fully satisfactory.

**Take-off**

Re-heat is on at take-off. This gives very impressive acceleration at lighter weights. The engines were certified with a contingency rating allowing them to be “over-rated” in the event of an engine failure during take-off. The reheat system was found to be unstable in high ambient temperatures when operated at the contingency rating. There were many occurrences during early flight test phases and this led to a redesign of the reheat fuel spray system. Fortunately, concerns over the engine life limitations due to frequent over-rating were unfounded.

The main parameter for accurate performance is a requirement to rotate to a very precise attitude depending on T/W. This was established after considerable trial and error.

**High Incidence**

The vortical flow over the wings arises at \( \alpha \approx 7^\circ \), virtually irrespective of speed, and this led to high frequency buffet of the wing-tips. The wing-tips appeared blurred when viewed from the cabin. The induced buffet was stronger at higher weights.

As \( \alpha \) increases, \( C_m \) becomes unstable (pitch up). At around \( \alpha \approx 20^\circ \), there is a marked breakdown in directional stability due to the fin being effectively blanked. One way of delaying this was by using nose strakes on the forward fuselage to re-energise the flow. Douglas pioneered such strakes on DC-9 and MD-80/90 series.

At higher \( \alpha \), beyond the breakdown of directional stability, more marked \( C_m \) occurred but flight is impractical at such high \( \alpha \).

Each of these aspects need to be considered during the design phase of any supersonic aircraft.

**5. SUPERSONIC PLANFORMS (Vortex Lift, Drag and S&C)**

A preliminary assessment of planform variations was made in Section 4. **Fig.4.1.1** shows the kernel of the idea on deriving a combat configuration from the Concorde planform. We note that intake positions are likely to be different from that on Concorde. A driver for this is stealth.

**5.1. Vortex Lift Significance**

Vortex development and possible breakdown trends are sketched and outlined in **Fig.5.1.1** for various planforms. Highly swept, straight LE Deltas encourage vortices to form close to the LE. At some spanwise location, the vortex strength will be sufficient for it to detach from the LE and align streamwise. A LE crank created when the outer wing panel is unswept will encourage the vortex on the highly swept inner panel to align streamwise. The outer panel does not create a LE vortex. Concorde relied upon a carefully designed curved LE to generate a stable vortex system for high lift at low speed.

Typical \( C_l – \alpha \) and \( C_{D_S} – C_l \) relationships are sketched in **Fig.5.1.2** for a planar wing without and with LE devices. This figure illustrates the additional vortex lift and its effect on drag. LE devices utilize the suction forces in reducing drag.
Fig.5.1.3 gives an idea of other planforms that can be envisaged. For the current discussion we use planform ES01 (AR 2.09). Fig.5.1.4 shows the high-speed characteristics assuming neutral longitudinal stability, at low speed. Fig.5.1.5 shows the evaluation of the same wing at low speeds. Fig.5.1.6 refers to L/D and low speed performance available without (Fig.5.1.6(a)) and with (Fig.5.1.6(b)) assumption of vortex lift. The plots show L/D – M with W/S and $C_L$ varying. Such figures help in deciding the take-off and landing characteristics of the viable design. Incidences of more than 14° are not feasible. L/D reduces with vortex lift.

Fig.5.1.7 shows take-off characteristics with respect to range, without and with vortex lift assumptions. In these figures, M – Range, carpets of constant W and W/S are layered for varying $\alpha$. Such fundamental graphs and cross-plots begin to indicate the viability of the unique application within the weight constraints envisaged. The concept looks encouraging and further work is needed to focus on appropriate detail.

A similar arrow wing planform but with increased sweep on the outer wing panel is shown in Fig.5.1.8. The effects of deploying LEF at various angles have been assessed. Without the LEF deployed, the $C_L$ – $\alpha$ relationship indicates that vortical flow is present above $\alpha$ 4°. As $\alpha$ increases, $C_m$ becomes more positive (unstable). LEF deployment “kills off” the vortical flow. The configuration becomes more stable at higher $\alpha$ and drag is reduced. Typical vortex patterns, at $\alpha$ of interest, are also sketched in Fig.5.1.8. The variation of L/D with $C_L$, at low speed, with LEF deployments is shown in Fig.5.1.9. Also shown are the attained suction levels and the effect of LEF angle.

This type of analysis highlights the various technologies that need to be studied and possibly “pushed”.

5.2. Drag Breakdown, Typical Example

The development of ATSF planforms with increasing AR are shown in Fig.5.2.1 and compared with the Concorde planform. We note the increasing L/D as AR increases. The effects of wing planform and engine location are significant.

Typical supersonic transport drag breakdown is shown in Fig.5.2.2. This figure was previously discussed in Section 4.2 and has been revisited to emphasise the importance of, and difficulty in assessing, overall drag. Corrections required from model tests to flight are large and their impact on aircraft fuel burn is of the same order as the payload in this civil transport example. At cruise, maximum L/D requires that $C_Di$ and $C_Do$ are similar. In this example $C_Di$ and $C_Do$ are 61 “counts”. Reduction of $C_Do$ is literally the challenge for supersonic flight. Wing skin friction drag contributes 35% of $C_Do$, while fuselage skin friction contributes 15% of $C_Do$. This emphasises the need for laminar flow control, either passive or active in future aircraft designs.

5.3. S&C Implications

A series of flight tests were carried out on Concorde test aircraft (towards the end of the flight test programme) to simulate the advantages of relaxed longitudinal stability in terms of increased L/D at low speed. Fig.5.3.1, Ref.23, shows L/D variation at constant trimmed $C_L$ values (0.45, 0.55 and 0.65) as $\alpha$ is varied (53%$c_o$, 56% $c_o$ and 59%$c_o$). As $M$ increases from 0.20 to 0.75, the aerodynamic centre shifts from about 53%c_o to 56%c_o. The results in Fig.5.3.1 indicate up to 15% increase in L/D at $C_L$ 0.55 for about 5%c_o relaxed stability. However, this potential could not be introduced for the aircraft in airline service. The aircraft featured fuel transfer tanks for trim and most probably, there was insufficient capacity for the instability range required. Elevon angles required to trim are also noted in the figure.

Using Linear Theory and a First Order Panel method we have been able to simulate the relaxed longitudinal stability cases, estimate Elevon angle required to trim and predict increases in L/D.
arising from reduced $C_{Di}$. Results in key areas have been confirmed using Euler methods. **Fig.5.3.2** shows the simplified Concorde planform, $c_o$ location and typical 50% to 60% $c_o$ range. The variation of cg position with $M$ is shown in **Fig.5.3.2(b)** from published data, e.g. **Fig.5.3.1**. Areas where the envelope is restricted due to controls travel limitations, stability and hinge moments are noted. The predicted aerodynamic centre movement with $M$ from Linear Theory and Euler agree well with the aircraft data at high speed ($1.2 < M < 2.0$). There is a minor, consistent difference at low speed ($<1.0%c_o$) using the Panel method. This is very encouraging from “anchoring” the technique available.

Considering the low speed, $M 0.3$, neutrally stable case (cg at aerodynamic centre, zero static margin) **Fig.5.3.3** shows $C_{La}$ variation with $M$. There is good agreement between the various theoretical methods. **Fig.5.3.4** shows $C_L - \alpha$ variation at $M 0.3$ from Linear theory. We note the 0% and 100% suction trends. The attained suction values for flight $Re$ based on $c_o$ assuming representative t/c distribution gives an indication of the vortex lift contribution.

The variation of $C_{Di}$ with $C_L$, Linear Theory, is shown in **Fig.5.3.5**. Curves for 0% and 100% suction levels show the typical $C_{Di}$ range. Assuming $C_{D0}$ of 0.0070, we obtain L/D variation with $C_L$, **Fig.5.3.6**, for 0%, 100% and attained suction levels. The fuselage has not been modelled for these preliminary cases. Neutrally stable L/D values from experiment are shown in **Fig.5.3.6**. As $C_L$ increases, L/D values from experiment tend towards the 0% suction values. Further published low speed L/D trends with $C_L$ are shown in **Fig.5.3.7**. These data have been used to confirm the theoretical methods and analysis.

Theoretical $C_m - C_L$ trends were established at low speed for the datum case as static stability margin varied. The TEF deflection required to trim was evaluated. The resulting theoretical L/D at constant $C_L$ (0.45, 0.55 and 0.65) and constant TEF values (0°, 5° and 10°) are compared with experiment (**Fig.5.3.1**) in **Fig.5.3.8**. The data from **Fig.5.3.8** is replotted in **Fig.5.3.9** as L/D versus $\%c_o$ instability margin. **Fig.5.3.10** shows the variation of $\%L/D$ gains (based on L/D value at 0% stability margin) achieved with increased instability margins. There is good agreement between theory and experiment and the advantages in terms of aerodynamic efficiency for relaxed stability are evident.

At low speed, theory predicts that relaxing stability by 7%c_o provides an increase of 25% L/D at $C_L$ 0.55. In experiment, an increase of over 21% was achieved.

### 6. PLANFORM VARIATIONS

Aircraft with a wide M range capability will experience significant changes in centre of pressure (CoP) location. For trimmed flight the cg coincides with the CoP. Variable geometry (swing wing) moves CoP appropriately, allowing the cg to remain fixed with only small control surface deflections to trim. Fuel transfer systems move the cg appropriately to match CoP. Relying totally on control surface deflections to trim will results in unacceptable drag penalties.

We seek the near optimum planform having minimal CoP movement over the desired M range. However, we anticipate that the optimum planform may not have the M range capability or be suitable in other respects for the design requirement. A desirable compromise may require variable geometry, e.g. sweeping or folding wings, etc. We review various planform options, taking into account M range, S&C aspects (CoP shift with M) and Efficiency (L/D achieved).

#### 6.1. Series of Planforms with Mach Effects

A series of planforms was evaluated, Ref.12, to determine CoP characteristics over a wide M range. Results are shown in **Fig.6.1.1**. The basic delta type (WA-T) has a large CoP variation with M. As AR increases (reduced sweep outer wing panels introduced – WA-1, WA-2, WB-1
and WC-1) the CoP shift decreases. Planform WB-1 exhibits the least CoP shift with M varying but low supersonic CL is quite poor.

We consider a simplified XB-70 planform, Leading Edge and Trailing Edge sweeps, $\Lambda_{LE} 65^\circ$ and $\Lambda_{TE} 0^\circ$ with finite tip chord and use Linear Theory to predict CoP movement through the M range (0.2 to 3.0). Retaining the inner planform (0.0 < $y/s$ < 0.6), the outer $\Lambda_{LE}$ is reduced by increasing the span by factors of 1.20 and 1.35. The AR increases from 1.713 to 2.263 and 2.697 respectively. The process is repeated for a $\Lambda_{LE} 70^\circ$ planform, AR 1.337. In this case the span is increased by factors of 1.30 and 1.60, giving AR of 1.991 and 2.695 respectively. The resulting planforms are compared in Fig.6.1.2. The $C_{LA}$ variation and CoP location (%$c_o$) are plotted against M in Fig.6.1.2. In terms of CoP shift from low speed location to M 3.0 cruise location, the 70/48 planform has the least change. However, this planform exhibits the widest CoP variation within the 1.0 < M < 3.0 range.

Considering an XB-70 planform ($\Lambda_{LE} 65^\circ$) with TE cut-outs (see Section 8), uncambered sections, at supersonic conditions the CoP location could be controlled by folding the wing about 65% semi-span. At a fold angle of 90°, M 2.0, the CoP is co-incident (streamwise) with the subsonic location (0° fold).

Further planform shapes of interest are shown in Figs.6.1.3 & 4.

7. GROUND EFFECTS

We consider Ground Effect on S&C characteristics as a possible requirement early in the design sequence. Conventional Ground Effect and S&C wisdom is based on aircraft test flights rather than considerations during design. Control sizing may therefore be compromised.

In general, early theory work has been carried out with Vortex / doublet lattice methods and simple trailing wakes parallel to the ground with results presented in several papers. Also a considerable number of papers have used panel methods without and with relaxed wakes.

For delta planforms, TE flow dominates. Based on intuitive arguments, starting from slender-wing theory, the lift on a delta type planform is simply dependent on AR and the slope at TE (or effective upwash at TE). Thus

$$C_L=AR*0.5*\pi*(w/V)_{TE}$$

Under ground-effect, using an image of the wing as a reflection plane, the w/V term becomes larger and $C_L$ increases. However, we need to be more accurate in this analysis and take into account many other geometry and flow characteristics.

For slender delta wing planforms, in particular, further complexities may arise due to LE Vortex flow. If present, its inclusion will affect the results since at a given $\alpha$, the total lift is higher.

We consider a simplified XB-70 planform ($\Lambda_{LE} 65^\circ$, finite tip chord and $\Lambda_{TE} 0^\circ$) and look at the effects of ground proximity (h/b) on longitudinal and lateral control at low speed. Trailing Edge (TE) control surfaces are modelled and deflected symmetrically or differentially to provide pitch and roll control. The effects of modelling the trailing wake parallel to the stream flow or fully relaxed are assessed. Various theoretical methods are compared.

7.1. Longitudinal Effects

The rigid trailing wake geometry in free air (out of Ground Effect) at M 0.3, $\alpha$ 16° (Panel method) is shown in Fig.7.1.1. Resulting $C_L$ and $C_{m}\alpha$ values are 0.597 and −0.00358 (0% static stability margin). Relaxing the wake reduces $C_L$ and $C_m$ slightly (0.595 and −0.00206). The effects of wake relaxation in Ground Effect are more significant.
The relaxed trailing wake geometries at $M = 0.3$, $\alpha = 12^\circ$, free air and $h/b = 0.2$ (PMARC method) are shown in Fig.7.1.2. Resulting $C_L$ and $C_m$ (wing apex) values are 0.5161 and $-0.4968$ for free air and 0.5843 and $-0.5653$ at $h/b = 0.2$.

For the corresponding case, Panel method gave $C_L$ and $C_m$ (0% static stability margin) 0.452 and $-0.00024$, free air and 0.559 and $-0.01728$ at $h/b = 0.2$.

The increase in $C_L$ and nose pitch down experienced by this class of wing on landing is immediately evident. However, the PMARC method did not appear to give a reasonable representation of the wake geometry roll-up. Wake relaxation analysis continued using Panel methods.

The Panel method was used to extend the Ground Effect database at $M = 0.3$. A nominal $C_L$ range was targeted (0.4 to 0.6) requiring an incidence range of $10^\circ < \alpha < 16^\circ$ for the free air and $h/b = 0.5$ and 0.2 cases. The effects of TE flap (TEF) angle, $0^\circ$ and $-5^\circ$ (TE up), were included. The resulting $C_m - C_L$ carpet, for 0% static margin, is shown in Fig.7.1.3. We note the non-linear trends arising from the effects of ground proximity, TEF deflection and wake relaxation. Increasing the static stability margin (5% $c_{ave}$) implies a further non-linearity, Fig.7.1.4. TEF deflections required to trim at various $C_L$, $h/b$ and static stability margins, $M = 0.3$, are shown in Figs.7.1.7-9.

Relaxed wake geometries are shown for $M = 0.3$, $C_L = 0.6$, trimmed ($C_m = 0.0$, 0% stable static margin) in Fig.7.1.5. The “free air” case, Fig.7.1.5(a), shows typically rolled-up tip vortices lying nearly parallel to the freestream. An incidence of $16.4^\circ$ with $-0.5^\circ$ TEF deflection is required to provide $C_L = 0.6$ with $C_m = 0.0$ (trimmed). As the aircraft sinks and enters ground proximity, $h/b = 0.2$, $C_L$ tends to increase with an accompanying nose down pitch tendency. The TEF deflection is increased to $-5.0^\circ$ to trim and $\alpha$ reduced to $14.0^\circ$ to maintain $C_L = 0.6$. A rolled-up vortex pattern can be seen forming at the inboard end of the TEF, Fig.7.1.5(b). At the outboard end of the TEF, the trailing vortices roll-up and into the tip vortices which splay outwards due to ground proximity.

In “free air”, the 5% stable case requires more TEF deflection (TE up) to trim. The subsequent loss of lift requires increased $\alpha$ to maintain $C_L = 0.6$. Relaxed Wake geometries are shown for $M = 0.3$, $C_L = 0.6$, trimmed ($C_m = 0.0$, 5% stable static margin) in Fig.7.1.6. The “free air” case is shown in Fig.7.1.6(a). Again, as the aircraft enters ground proximity, $h/b = 0.2$, it experiences an increase in $C_L$ and a nose down pitch tendency. The TEF deflection is further increased to compensate ($-12.9^\circ$) but $\alpha$ reduced to $15.7^\circ$ to maintain $C_L = 0.6$. Both the tip vortices and the TEF inboard vortices are more noticeably splayed outwards due to ground proximity, Fig.7.1.6(b).

The TEF deflection requirements are summarized in Fig.7.1.7 for two stability margins (0% and 5% $c_{ave}$ stable) and effects of ground proximity. The effect of wake relaxation is clearly evident when Figs.7.1.7(a) and (b) are compared.

The variation of TEF required to trim as static stability margin varies is shown in Fig.7.1.8. Results for rigid trailing wake are shown in Fig.7.1.8(a) and for relaxed wakes in Fig.7.1.8(b). The additional TEF deflections required using relaxed wake analysis are shown in Fig.7.1.8(c) and are shown as percentage increments in Fig.7.1.9. We note, in certain cases, e.g. “free air” or out-of-ground-effect case at 0% stability, that we are looking at small angular increments due to wake relaxation as a percentage of small TEF angles predicted using rigid wakes. Results for the 5% $c_{ave}$ stability case are more suitable, where, across the $C_L$ range considered, rigid wake analysis predict TEF of about $10^\circ$ at $h/b = 0.2$. Using relaxed wake analysis 10% more TEF is required at $C_L = 0.45$ rising to 18% more TEF at $C_L = 0.6$.

This brief analysis of Ground Effects on trim and control surface requirements has clearly shown that these S&C effects must be considered early in the design sequence to ensure that adequate
control power is available (control area and angular deflection). We have considered two stability margins, a third would confirm any non-linearity effects that may need to be considered.

7.2 Sideslip Effects

On landing and take-off, cross-winds may be present. Even though supersonic aircraft have somewhat higher ground speeds, effectively reducing cross-wind effects, $4^\circ \beta$ still needs to be allowed for. Also, yaw arising from engine flame-outs may be considerably greater and needs to be considered.

The Panel method was used to determine sideslip effects in Ground Effect at $M = 0.3$, $0\%$ static margin. A nominal incidence was selected ($\alpha = 12^\circ$). Free air, $h/b = 0.5$ and $0.2$ cases were considered. The effects of Aileron deflection are included.

**TE devices “neutral” (Undeflected)**

Rolling moment (positive right wing up) and pitching moment variations ($C_t - C_m$), arising due to sideslip and ground effects are shown in **Fig.7.2.1** ($M = 0.3$, $\alpha = 12^\circ$, TEF $0\%$). Results from rigid and relaxed wake analysis are compared, dashed and solid lines respectively. Relaxing the wakes tends to give lower $C_t$ results. In “free air”, the small $-C_m$ (nose down) result, arising from errors introduced by rigid wake representation at incidence, is eliminated when the wakes are relaxed. As $h/b$ is reduced, $C_m$ becomes more negative. The effect of wake relaxation is significant, increasing the magnitude of the negative $C_m$ as $h/b$ is reduced. At $\beta = 10^\circ$, rigid wake results over predict $C_t$ (equivalent to $2^\circ \beta$) and under predict $C_m$ by up to $30\%$ at $h/b = 0.2$.

**TE devices, Differential Deflection (Ailerons)**

Aileron roll power and variation of $C_t$ due to sideslip are shown in **Fig.7.2.2** (rigid trailing wakes). Positive aileron angle, of $10^\circ$ say, implies right TEF deflected $10^\circ$ TE down and left TEF deflected $10^\circ$ TE up. This induces positive $C_t$. Rolling moment increases linearly with aileron angle. As height above ground ($h/b$) is reduced aileron roll power reduces slightly. As $\beta$ increases, $C_t$ becomes proportionally more negative. Wake relaxation will have a significant effect.

The combined effects of aileron, $\beta$ and $h/b$ on $C_t$ - $C_m$ variation and the effects of wake relaxation are shown in **Fig.7.2.3**. Incidence remains constant at $12^\circ$ and, as a result, $C_t$ varies slightly over the $h/b - \beta$ carpet. This would require trimming to constant $C_L$ for a full analysis. Rigid wake results are shown in **Fig.7.2.3(a)** and those for relaxed wake analysis in **Fig.7.2.3(b)**. We note immediately, the non-linear trends arising from the effects of $h/b$, aileron deflection and wake relaxation. At $\beta = 5^\circ$, $h/b = 0.2$, rigid wake analysis predicts that $14^\circ$ aileron is required to trim $C_t$. A further $-1.3^\circ$ TEF (TE up) is required to trim $C_m$ giving TEF deflection of $-15.3^\circ / +12.7^\circ$ to trim with rigid wake analysis. Using relaxed wake analysis, TEF deflection required is $-14.5^\circ / +10.5^\circ$.

Relaxed Wake geometries are shown in **Fig.7.2.4** for two cases at $M = 0.3$, $\alpha = 12^\circ$, $\beta = 10^\circ$, $0\%$ stable static margin, free air **Fig.7.2.4(a)** and $h/b = 0.2$ **Fig.7.2.4(b)**. We note the $23\%$ increase in $C_L$ as $h/b$ reduces to $0.2$, the nose down pitch tendency ($C_m = 0.06731$) and the increase in $C_t$. Relaxed wake geometry for $M = 0.3$, $\alpha = 12^\circ$, $\beta = 10^\circ$, $0\%$ stable, $h/b = 0.2$, but with $20^\circ$ aileron, is shown in **Fig.7.2.5**. Comparing this wake with that in **Fig.7.2.4(b)** shows the effect of aileron and $h/b$. At $M = 0.3$, $\beta = 0^\circ$, $20^\circ$ aileron gives almost constant $C_t = 0.055$ as $h/b$ reduces to $0.2$. Out of ground effect, “free air”, as $\beta$ is increased to $10^\circ$, $C_t$ reduces almost to zero. At this condition, reducing altitude to $h/b = 0.2$, induces negative $C_t$ equal to $5^\circ$ aileron. These effects are somewhat different to those obtained with rigid trailing wakes (wakes parallel to freestream).

Further theoretical predictions with TEF deflected to trim $C_L$ to a constant value, are required to complete the trim analysis. However, a further estimate of $30^\circ$ aileron to trim at $\beta = 10^\circ$, $h/b = 0.2$
(possible engine-out case) can be made. When pitch trim is also taken into account it is possible that control saturation may become significant.

It should also be noted that aero-elasticity is likely to have significant effects on the prediction of control surface requirements.

8. FOLDED TIPS
The XB-70 research aircraft was discussed in detail in Section 4.3. The Flight Envelope and Performance enhancement aspects of variable geometry (folding tips) are now considered.

8.1. XB-70
Typical XB-70, Concorde and a folding wing type SST flight envelopes (Altitude – M) are shown in Fig.8.1.1. Fig.8.1.1(a) shows the XB-70 envelope from Refs.24-25. In Fig.8.1.1(b) the Concorde flight envelope is superimposed on that of the XB-70. For a configuration without folding tips or variable geometry for supersonic flight, the restricted envelope is evident. Fig.8.1.1(c) considers expanding the flight envelope of a next generation SST using folding tip geometry. Typical fold angle (φ) requirements are noted.

8.2. XB-70 derived planform
A derived XB-70 planform is shown in Fig.8.2.1. Using Linear Theory and Euler methods, C_{Lα} (based on unfolded wing area) has been evaluated for various φ across the supersonic M range, Fig.8.2.1(a). Flight test data for the XB-70 is also shown, assuming φ of 25° and 65° at M 1.2 and 2.0 respectively. Linear theory and flight test data compare well at M 2.4 – 2.5, φ 65° and are reasonably close at 25° at M 1.2, the discrepancies may be attributed to modeling methods and AR effects.

Normalised C_{Lα} data (C_{Lα} / C_{Lαφ=0}) are shown in Fig.8.2.1(b). This emphasises the fact that the non-linear Euler predictions indicate lower Lift loss due to fold angle than Linear Theory.

8.3. ES Series derived planform
For this series of planforms, the wing flies supersonically with the tip folded down by specific angles (40°, 60°, 70°, 75°). When folded, all the wings have the same projected planform. Two spanwise locations for the hinge-line were considered (y/s 0.667 and 0.800). The effect of tip fold location and angle on lift performance at M 2.0 is shown in Fig.8.3.1. Assuming requisite fold angles at supersonic conditions, the CoP shift is relatively limited.

We have noted that the potential CoP rearward shift, as M increases, on this class of wings can be reasonably controlled by use of folding tips. During flight test of the XB-70, longitudinal stability was adequately controlled and no significant problems were encountered. Performance penalties attributable to the folding tip technology (weight, stress, etc.) need to be quantified.

9. CONTROLS
In this section we look, briefly, at various aspects of stability and control on typical planforms over a wide M range. The wing planforms considered are representative of Concorde, XB-70, Space Shuttle and a typical Hypersonic vehicle.

9.1. Fin Effects – Concorde (Single Fin)
High Order Panel and Euler Methods, M range, Incidence and Sideslip effects
Surface flow patterns (Euler method) on various combinations of Concorde wing, fuselage and fin are shown in Figs.9.1.1 to 4. Asymmetry in the wing (only) upper surface flow field, M 2.0, α
4°, β 4°, can be seen in Fig.9.1.2. Introducing fuselage geometry does not significantly alter the asymmetry, Fig.9.1.3. Further addition of fin geometry only slightly affects the wing upper surface flow field but there are significant effects on the fin itself. Typical force and moment variations with sideslip, Euler and High Order Panel methods, at M 2.0, α 4° are in Fig.9.1.5. Wing, fuselage and fin contributions are shown. These variations are shown at M 0.3, High Order Panel method, in Fig.9.1.6. Typical lateral derivatives are presented in Fig.9.1.7 to show the effects of Fin modelling.

The effects of fin on the lateral derivatives are shown in Fig.9.1.7. Results from High Order Panel and Euler methods are compared. The main contribution to $C_{Y\beta}$ arises from the fin and this varies with M. There is very good agreement between the methods at M 2.0. Fin loading has its own input to roll and yaw and also, with the fin present, there are Mach line interference effects on the wing, which vary with sideslip. This results in noticeable fin effects on $C_{n\beta}$ and $C_{\iota\beta}$. There is good agreement in $C_{n\beta}$, fin on, between the methods at M 2.0. The panel method, fin off results, indicate unstable $C_{n\beta}$. There is an apparent disagreement in overall $C_{\iota\beta}$. We note that the fuselage is modelled in the Euler calculations but not in the High Order method. Both methods indicate stable, negative $C_{\iota\beta}$. There is very good agreement in the magnitude of $C_{\iota\beta}$ increment due to the fin at M 2.0. There is a slight variation in $C_{\iota\beta}$ subsonic to supersonic with a peak near M 1.0.

The variation with α at M 2.0 of the various component contributions to $C_{\iota\beta}$ are shown in Fig.9.1.8. At α 4°, the addition of the fuselage to the wing model halves $C_{\iota\beta}$. The addition of the fin quadruples the wing-fuselage $C_{\iota\beta}$.

9.2. Aileron Effects - Concorde, Fin effects

Strong interactions between fin and elevons were noted during the design and testing stages of Concorde. As a result, fin design and control surface scheduling modifications were necessary.

**Inner Elevons only deflected, full M range**

The Concorde geometry, shown in Fig.9.1.1, with inboard elevons deflected +/- 1° was used to determine the variation of rolling moment coefficient ($C_{l}$) at α 4° throughout the M range. The results, with and without fin present, are shown in Fig.9.2.1 for both first and high order panel methods. There is a marked non-linearity effect as M varies. In the subsonic range applicable, there is very good agreement between the two methods. At M 0.3 to 0.8, the presence of the fin reduces elevon roll power by about 14%. Elevon roll power reduces dramatically in the range M 1.2 to 2.0. The presence of the fin reduces roll power by 36% at M 1.2 and by 47% at M 2.0. Although unrealistic in terms of $C_{L}$ requirements over the M range, the constant α results give an insight to the non-linearity effects.

**Inner and Outer Elevons deflected, M 0.3, $C_{L}$ and sideslip effects**

The effects of fin, sideslip, $C_{L}$ and wake modelling on differential elevon roll power at low speed were assessed using a first order panel method. The inner and outer elevons were deflected +/- 0°, +/- 5° and +/- 10° and sideslip varied 0°, 5° and 10° at M 0.3. Incidence was varied to cover the $C_{L}$ range 0.0 to 0.6. The variation of $C_{l}$ with $C_{L}$, rigid wake modeling, is shown in Fig.9.2.2(a). In general, the variation is linear and $C_{l}$ is proportional to elevon angle for the wing only cases. Positive sideslip (nose to right) results in negative $C_{l}$ (right wing down). The fin increases the negative $C_{l}$. The fin effects are proportional to elevon angle but the interference effects decrease slightly with $C_{l}$.

The effect of wake relaxation and sideslip angle on the fin present, +/- 10° elevon case at $C_{L}$ approximately 0.6 is shown in Fig.9.2.2(b). The wake relaxation increments are significant and proportional to sideslip angle.
It has been noted that the Concorde planform relies heavily on vortex lift at low speed. Using a combination of linear theory and panel method results we are able to assess the effects of vortex lift modeling. The variation of $C_\alpha$ with $\beta$ at $M = 0.3$, $C_L = 0.6$ is shown in Fig.9.2.3 without and with vortex lift contribution to $C_L$. The effects of fin and differential elevon are shown. The variation with $\beta$ of differential elevon angle required to trim at $M = 0.3$, $C_L = 0.6$ is shown in Fig.9.2.4. Including vortex lift contributions in the analysis reduces the elevon angle required to trim by about 16% for the wing and fin case and by 19% for the wing only case.

9.3. Fin Effects - XB-70 (Twin Fins)

Euler Method $M = 2.0$ and $3.0$ Incidence and Sideslip ($\alpha 0^\circ & 4^\circ$, $\beta 0^\circ & 4^\circ$)

Surface flow patterns (Euler method) on a representative XB-70 wing planform with fuselage, canard and fins (on / off) are shown in Figs.9.3.1 to 6. Typical lateral derivatives are shown in Fig.9.3.7 to show the effects of Fin modeling.

For the complete configuration, surface flow patterns at $M = 2$, $\alpha 4^\circ$ ($\beta 0^\circ & 4^\circ$) are shown in Fig.9.3.1. Asymmetry in the wing upper surface flow field is clearly evident in Fig.9.3.1(b). Surface flow patterns at $M = 3$, $\alpha 4^\circ$ ($\beta 0^\circ & 4^\circ$) are in Fig.9.3.2.

Surface flow patterns without the fins present at $M = 2$, $\alpha 0^\circ$ ($\beta 0^\circ & 4^\circ$) are shown in Fig.9.3.3 and at $\alpha 4^\circ$ ($\beta 0^\circ & 4^\circ$) in Fig.9.3.4. Patterns without the fins present at $M = 3$, for the same $\alpha$ and $\beta$ angles are shown in Fig.9.3.5 and Fig.9.3.6. The XB-70 fins are integral with the wing and clearly have a significant effect on the wing flow field in sideslip. This is in contrast to the fin effects on the Concorde configuration.

The effects of fin on the lateral derivatives are shown in Fig.9.3.7. Naturally there is a significant effect on Side Force derivative ($C_{Y\beta}$) due to fin. This effect appears to decrease slightly as $M$ increases (2 to 3). The loads on the fins have their own input to roll and yaw and also, with the fins present, there are Mach line interference effects on the wing which vary with sideslip. This results in noticeable fin effects on $C_{n\beta}$ and $C_{\iota \beta}$. Without the fins present, $C_{n\beta}$ is negative (unstable). The addition of fins provides positive increment $C_{n\beta}$ which results in positive $C_{n\beta}$ at $M = 2.0$ but near zero $C_{n\beta}$ at $M = 3.0$. At $M = 2.0$, $C_{\iota \beta}$ is negative (stable) but the magnitude reduces as $M$ increases to 3.0. The presence of fins has little effect on $C_{\iota \beta}$. There appears to be no effect of fin on $C_{m\beta}$ and only a small variation with $M$.

9.4. Space Shuttle (Single Fin)

The Space Shuttle is shown in Fig.9.4.1. The (outer) wing planform is 45° delta with swept TE and extensive fuselage strakes. A Body Flap, spanning the width of the fuselage, is attached beneath nozzles, aft of the effective wing TE. The Shuttle operates over a wide $M$ range, up to $M = 24$. The fuselage has a low fineness ratio. High $\alpha$ are experienced under various conditions and consequently the aircraft has a relatively tall fin. The variations with $M$ of several lateral derivatives are shown in Fig.9.4.2. Fig.9.4.3 shows $C_{CoP}$ variation with $M$ and also the variation with $M$ of $C_{m\alpha}$ due to $\alpha$, elevators and Body Flap. Fig.9.4.4 shows the variation of $C_{n\beta}$ with $\alpha$ at various $M$ and $C_{n\beta}$ and $C_{n\beta}*$ with $M$. For positive stability, the Dutch Roll stability ($C_{n\beta}*$) must be greater than zero. At this stage we limit our interest to $C_{n\beta}$. Variation of $C_{n\beta}$ with $M$ is summarized, for several configurations considered, in Section 9.6.

In general, there is significant variation of each of these parameters in the subsonic regime and up to about $M = 2.0$. Beyond $M = 4.0$ there is little variation. Current analysis has therefore concentrated on the subsonic and supersonic regimes up to $M = 3.0$.

9.5. Typical Hypersonic Vehicle (Single and Twin Fin)
A possible hypersonic vehicle layout is shown in Fig.9.5.1. The wing planform (A0) is similar to the space shuttle. The fuselage is more slender. The analysis has focused briefly on lateral stability aspects of a single, centerline, vertical fin mounted on the fuselage (A1) or twin fins located at the wing tips (A2). The total side projected area of the twin fins is approximately equal to that of the single fin.

The variations of $C_L$ at $\alpha = 4^\circ$ and lift curve slope ($C_{l,\alpha}$) with $M$ are shown in Fig.9.5.2. At subsonic speeds, the twin fins act as winglets and increase Lift. There is little effect under supersonic conditions. The variation of CoP with $M$ is shown in Fig.9.5.3. The addition of fins dramatically reduces the CoP shift experienced by the wing only case (A0). Low speed ($M = 0.4$) Force and Moment results are shown in Figs.9.5.4 to 6. We note the Lift increment afforded by the twin fins up to $\alpha = 15^\circ$. Beyond this incidence there is a detrimental effect on Lift. The $C_A - C_L$ curves indicate a slightly earlier and more significant break for the twin fin case compared to the wing only. Fig.9.5.5 shows CoP variation with $\alpha$ and $C_L$ at $M = 0.4$. CoP for the wing only remains fairly constant with $\alpha$ and $C_L$. As $\alpha$ increases, $4^\circ$ to $20^\circ$, CoP shifts rearwards by about $4\%$ $c_o$ on the twin fin case. Pitch and Drag variations with $\alpha$ and $C_L$, for wing only and twin fin cases are shown in Fig.9.5.6 at $M = 0.4$. The fins introduce a drag rise at about $C_L = 0.55$. This is confirmed in the $C_D - C_L$ plot Fig.9.5.6(b). At $M = 0.4$, pitch up on the wing only occurs at about $\alpha = 18^\circ$, $C_L = 0.65$. Fig.9.5.6(c & d). Addition of the fins results in early pitch up, $\alpha = 8^\circ$, $C_L = 0.30$.

A comparison between single and twin fin effects on the lateral derivatives is shown in Fig.9.5.7. Results for $M = 2.0$, $\alpha = 4^\circ$ are currently available. Despite the twin fins having total area equal to the single fin, the twin fin $C_{Y\beta}$ value is approximately half that of the single fin. At $\alpha$ and $\beta$, the “leeward” fin is masked by the wing and fuselage. The effect is more marked in $C_{n\beta}$. Most significantly, the single fin provides positive (stable) $C_{n\beta}$ whereas the twin fins are unstable. Similarly in Roll, the single fin provides negative (stable) $C_{i\beta}$ but twin fins are again unstable. The single fin does not appear to have a significant contribution to $C_{n\beta}$. However, the twin, tip mounted fins affect the wing flow, resulting in a noticeable contribution to $C_{m\beta}$.

All these aspects will need to be carefully considered at the initial design and planform layout stage. Further consideration will be required throughout the S&C design and performance estimation stages.

9.6. Lateral Derivative Comparisons

One of many very important S&C parameters to be considered early in the design process is the lateral stability derivative $C_{n\beta}$. Configuration layout, e.g. the choice of single or multiple fins (vertical tails), canted tail surfaces (V-tail), wing tip mounted fins or other directional control devices, will have fundamental influence on the overall stability and hence efficiency and performance of the aircraft.

The variation of $C_{n\beta}$ with $M$ for a variety of subsonic, transonic and supersonic aircraft is shown in Fig.9.6.1, Ref.14. The $M$ range has been extended to $M = 3.0$ and current analysis data added. Flight test data for the XB-70, Ref.18, and the Space Shuttle, Ref.13, continue the general trends implied as $M$ increases. It is noted that, for the Space Shuttle, $C_{n\beta}$ at nominal entry $\alpha = +/- 5^\circ$ is negative above $M = 1.4$. However, $C_{i\beta}$ is always negative and of relatively high value. The combined effects provide stability in Dutch Roll.

Euler results for Concorde (Wing + Fuselage + Fin) lie within the expected range and those for the XB-70 (Wing + Fuselage + Fin) follow the trends with $M$ but at lower values than those derived from flight test. A full analysis is required using consistent parameters in the derivation of $C_{n\beta}$ before direct comparisons are truly valid. Using a high order panel method to predict subsonic $C_{n\beta}$ for Concorde Wing and Fin geometry gives values in the range $0.18$ to $0.20$ / Rad,
Fig.9.6.1. The fuselage contribution will be negative and reduce these values considerably. The most significant conclusion is drawn from the initial design analysis of the typical hypersonic vehicle, Section 9.5. At M 2.0, the single fin configuration, A1, gives reasonable positive $C_{n\beta}$, the twin fin configuration, A2, gives negative $C_{n\beta}$ of greater magnitude.

All these aspects will need to be carefully considered at the initial design and planform layout stage. Further consideration will be required throughout the S&C design and performance estimation stages.

10. INERTIAL COUPLING

As aircraft design speeds increased from subsonic, through transonic to supersonic during the 1950s various dynamic instabilities, violent motions about all three axes, were experienced. Prevention and control of these instabilities would require a new field of aircraft design encompassing aerodynamics, structures and controls under the broad heading of “Coupling Dynamics”.

10.1. Coupling Dynamics

Coupling Dynamics problems associated with “Slender” supersonic aircraft, Fig. 10.1.1, are discussed in Refs.13 & 26. Of these, two are delta-wing based (Space shuttle and the YF-102). The coupling dynamics problems are very much dependent on aerodynamic control derivatives and the inertia parameters. An approximate correlation has been proposed in terms of a Primary Coupling Inertia ratio $(I_{xx}-I_{yy})/I_{zz}$. Coupling tendencies increase as the values approach $-1.0$.

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The YF-102 had a greater tendency towards Inertial Roll coupling than either the F-100A or the X-2.

10.2. Fin Sizing – Geometry Review

The Vertical Tail (Fin) geometry of many aircraft had to be modified after initial design as a result of interference effects noted during wind tunnel or flight testing. Typical examples are F-100 and Panavia Tornado. Several geometric fin variables may be considered at the design stage, e.g. fin area, fin height and hence roll moment arm, longitudinal position and hence yaw moment arm, single or twin fins, etc. The effects of single centerline fin or twin wing tip fins are noted in Section 9.5.

We take an initial look at the variation of two fin height parameters with wing AR. The two parameters are Height of fin tip above wing mean plane and Height of exposed fin centroid above wing mean plane. Results for a range of delta wing aircraft and the F-100 are shown in Fig.10.2.1. During the development of the F-100, these parameters had to be increased by 20% to overcome stability issues.

Fin sizing is also driven by the “engine out” condition. The variation of fin/rudder effectiveness with a function of engine out induced yaw at zero payload for a range of subsonic transport aircraft is shown in Fig.10.2.2, Ref.27. A smooth trend has been established for fairly complex variables. Fig.10.2.3 shows the variation of the product of fin area coefficient $(S_v/S)$ and tail arm coefficient $(\iota_v)$ with $S_v/S$ derived from data in Fig.10.2.2. The gradient of the mean line is simply a measure of $\iota_v$ ($\iota_v = 0.4$ shown). Data from Fig.10.2.2 has been annotated with consistent
identifiers. Values for Concorde, XB-70, F-100A, F-100C and YF-102 have been added. All data lie close to the $v = 0.4$ line.

### 10.3. Inertial Roll Coupling - Importance of Fin Size

The F-100A was a single engined, low swept-wing (relatively high AR) plus tailplane configuration. Both the X-3 and the F-100A had a highly loaded, high fineness ratio fuselage, **Fig.10.3.1.** The F-100A vertical fin is in relatively good flow-field (low wing + body + tail) yet there were serious problems associated with it. During flight testing of both aircraft in 1954, dynamic instabilities were encountered. **Fig.10.3.1(a)** shows a time history of S&C parameters following an abrupt aileron input. Immediately, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ began to diverge, negatively. After about 3 seconds the rates of divergence increased. At about 6 seconds, the vertical tail load was at 50% of its design load, **Fig.10.3.1(b).** Divergence subsided when the controls were returned to neutral. The instabilities were attributed to inertial roll coupling via low directional stability.

Two vertical tail modifications were proposed. Tail B was 11.3% larger and tail C 27.5% larger than the original tail A, **Fig.10.3.4.** Also shown in **Fig.10.3.4** is the effect on $C_{n\beta}/\alpha$ through the M range due to the enlarged tail. Tail C doubled the directional stability. The effect of vertical tail size on maximum change in $\alpha$ and $\beta$ ($\Delta\alpha, \Delta\beta$) at the first peak is shown in **Fig.10.3.5** as a function of roll rate. The circular symbol denotes the test flight case with tail A. The five degrees of freedom (5-D-of-F) simulator predictions for tails B and C show marked improvements.

The aircraft $\alpha$ at which roll initiates has a significant effect on the magnitude of subsequent instabilities. **Fig.10.3.2** shows simulator results for the F-100A with vertical tail A. Flight results for the aircraft fitted with tail C are shown in **Fig.10.3.6.** The beneficial effects of the enlarged tail are evident.

The simulated effects of engine gyroscopics during left and right rolls on the F-100A on $\Delta\alpha$ and $\Delta\beta$ as roll rate varied are shown in **Fig.10.3.3.** Flight tests with tail C fitted confirmed the trends. Naturally, the roll rate at which the peaks occurred and the magnitude of the peaks depended upon the interaction between the engine rotor angular velocity and the roll angular velocity.

The F-100 was returned to service with the modified tail without further significant inertia roll coupling incidents.

It is noted that on a delta wing + body arrangement, there would be more blanking of the fin and the possibility of greater inertia roll coupling effects.

### 10.4. YF-102 (Delta Wing)

The YF-102 delta winged aircraft was delivered for flight testing in 1954 at about the time of the roll coupling test programme on X-3 and F-100A. The YF-102 design did not have the benefit of the experience being gained from those tests. It was apparent that the YF-102 would have coupling problems. **Fig.10.4.1**, Ref 13, shows a time history of an aileron roll at M 0.75 at 39,500 ft. A large increase in the rate of sideslip build-up at about 4 seconds. The pilot then reversed aileron. However, the roll-rate and sideslip continued to build-up at ever-increasing rates until side-slip reached $-30^\circ$ and recorded $\alpha$ went off scale at $-12^\circ$. The analogue match (5-D-of-F simulator) showed $\alpha$ more negative than $-20^\circ$. The motions subsided after the pilot neutralized the controls. These divergences were larger than those of YF-100 and X-3. However, because the dynamic pressure was quite low (158 lb/ft$^2$), excessive loads on the structure were not imposed.

### 10.5. Supersonic Cruise Aircraft
Inertia ratios in Roll/Pitch/Yaw for Concorde are 1:7:8, approximately. This gives the coupling inertia ratio of -0.67. This is better than that of YF-102 delta (-0.81). The differences are due to the comparative fuselage length and volume with respect to the wing area.

The corresponding figure for XB-70 is about -0.84 at landing with the tips unfolded. This is not as good as either the YF-102 or Concorde, possibly due to the longer front fuselage and canard arrangement.

This brief review of Inertial Coupling problems of early swept winged aircraft has highlighted the problems that might be experienced. The importance of fin sizing is apparent. It was noted that the sizing and location of the fins needs careful assessment. Oversizing the fin or fins will result in excess OEW and reduced range performance.

11. PERFORMANCE and STRIKE AIRCRAFT

Useful performance data is available from Concorde and XB-70 flights. From these, with matching studies, we can establish the Range parameter (X), specific fuel consumption (SFC) and L/D data. This in turn will lead to parametric studies for supersonic Strike Aircraft.

An aircraft component weight breakdown establishes weight ratios with respect to Maximum Take-Off Weight (MTOW). The primary components are Empty Weight (OEW), Fuel capacity (WFT) and Payload (WP). The fuel component is broken down further into Block Fuel (WFB) and Reserve Fuel (WFRes). For a given aircraft, WP can be reduced for increased range and vice versa.

There are simplifications implicit in using and matching such data but this offers a good starting point.

11.1. Matching Studies on Concorde

Concorde has a MTOW of 408,000 lb. OEW is 173,000 lb and the fuel capacity (WFT) is 210,800 lb. The design range was 3550 nm for 100 passengers (WP = 21,000 lb).

Data for an actual scheduled service between London, Heathrow (LHR) and New York (JFK) is shown in Fig.11.1.1 as an Altitude – Time - Distance plot. Take-Off weight (TOW) was 405,440 lb, WFB 172,180 and WP approximately 21,000 lb. The range completed was 3142 nm.

We obtain the following data for the M 2.0 segment: X value of 7100 with SFC = 1.2 and L/D about 7.4. We can easily derive the improvements due to any parametric changes.

The flight profile can be matched for various, typical flight constraints. Allowing $C_L$ to increase (0.1004 to 0.147) in cruise climb (40,000 ft to 60,000 ft) results in the profile in Fig.11.1.2(a) whereas constraining $C_L$ to 0.100 gives the profile in Fig.11.1.2(b).

11.2. Matching Studies on XB-70

This aspect will be completed in Phase 2. Confidence in the predictive methods has been gained using extensive flight data (test and “in-service”) available on Concorde. Flight data for the XB-70, in its design mode, is not readily available. The aircraft were basically used to explore the flight envelope of supersonic planforms with folding tips.

11.3. Possible Strike Aircraft Performance Predictions

We take a preliminary look at the design of a Strike aircraft, SR301 based on previous work, Ref.6. The planform is shown in Fig.11.3.1. Forces and moments and spanwise loadings at M 2 for the neutrally stable, CL 0.1, M 2 design are also shown in Fig.11.3.1, from original data. The variations of $C_{Lo}$, k and L/D with M for this design are shown in Fig.11.3.2. Typical L/D achieved at M 0.3 and M 2.0 is about 7.5.
We now look at the effect of varying stability margin on the M 2.0 design. Results for 0% stable, 5% stable and 5% unstable are shown in Figs.11.3.3, 4 and 5 respectively. At C_L 0.1, L/D increases slightly (7.1, 7.2, 7.3) as stability margin increases (5% unstable to 5% stable). The M 2.0, 0% design is “re-designed” for C_L 0.4 at M 0.3 with varying degrees of low speed stability (-5% to +5%). The M 2.0, 0% stability design is frozen and the TEF region deflected for the low speed design cases. The results for 0%, 5% stable and 5% unstable designs at low speed are shown in Figs.11.3.6 to 8. At C_L 0.4, M 0.3, a rise of 11% L/D is implied as stability is relaxed from +5% to −5%.

11.4. Predicting Performance, Varying Parameters L/D and sfc.

Considering a possible L/D range (7.5, 8.0, 8.5, 9.0) and sfc of 1.20 or 1.25 aircraft component weight breakdown as Range varies is shown in Fig.11.4.1 for the SR301 configuration. Original data from Ref.6 has been used for this example. A nominal MTOW of 392,000 lb was chosen. At this weight and sfc of 1.2, predicted range increases from 4630 nm to 5590 nm as L/D increases from 7.5 to 9.0. To a first order, Range is proportional to L/D and both show 20% increase approximately. For L/D of 7.5, WFB is 46% of MTOW but if L/D is improved to 9.0, WFB falls to 34% of MTOW.

These results are presented in a different fashion in Figs.11.4.2 and 3. We consider L/D of 9.0 and look at the effect of doubling the design MTOW. For sfc of 1.20, doubling the MTOW from 200,000 lb to 400,000 lb increases the range from 3315 to 5750 nm (73% increase). Doubling MTOW of 250,000 lb increases range by only 59%.

These estimates are for a fixed payload of 50,000 lb. In the above examples, WP/MTOW varies significantly. However, the non-linearity of the prediction process (aerodynamic and engine efficiencies) is very evident.

Trade-offs that can be done in Phase 2.

12. CONCLUDING REMARKS

Currently there is interest in developing aircraft with long-range capability at very high speeds. Typical anticipated roles could be reconnaissance and bombing missions.

A concern is that, often for the sake of expedience, the conceptual design phases focus more on performance and much less on the more complex S&C aspects (about all axes). Consequently, S&C aspects considered later in the design cycle can severely compromise the original design objectives (L/D, strike capability range, weight growth). A better approach will be to include the major aspects of S&C in the conceptual design phases. Supersonic aircraft require a compromise between low-speed and high-speed capabilities and S&C issues remain very central throughout the operational envelope. The safety considerations may shift the balance more toward low-speed capabilities. The payloads in supersonic aircraft are generally smaller than those of subsonic aircraft.

The main objective has been to assess vehicle design evaluation over Mach number and altitude operating envelope with S&C considerations as part of the design synthesis. It is implied that design tools have needed to be “anchored”, so as to focus on the importance of S&C.

In this Phase 1 report, we have addressed a series of issues. It is worth mentioning that the analyses tended to expand as we went more deeply into the various aspects, often beyond the initial expectations.

Configuration & Layout
Overall, an early definition of design cruise speed, flight envelope, payload, range is desirable. This in turn leads to planform and configuration limitations.

Definition of planform will define the aerodynamic aspects that take priority, e.g. vortex Lift at low speed.

“Off-Design” requirements need to be established at an early stage, e.g. sideslip, engine-out, cruise climb or constant altitude limitations, etc.

Efficiency priorities needs to be established and balanced e.g.

- Design for long range cruise and then deploy high lift devices for low speed
- OR Design for efficient low speed and climb and then “morph” for high speed cruise (XB70)
- OR Compromise both regimes (Concorde)

Supersonic cruise design will be compromised to a certain extent by Subsonics: Take–Off and Landing requirements.

**Longitudinal Aspects**

The CoP variation with Mach number in relation to possible CG location has been considered for a series of wings.

Such aspects are strongly affected by fuselage location and size. Presence of fuselage tends to ameliorate CoP shift with M variation.

Folded Wing Tips concept as on the XB-70 enables the CoP variations with Mach number to be favourably controlled.

Design without and with Vortical flow has extremely strong effects. Without vortical flow, better L/D is obtained but the AoA required for landing and take-off (ground clearance) becomes large and this in turn leads to heavier undercarriage. Now the undercarriage weight is about 5% of the MTOW and the payload is of the same order. AoA increase by 2-3 deg. leads to increase in undercarriage by 10-15% as a first guess. So this has an equivalent penalty on payload.

With vortical flow, lower L/D is obtained but the AoA is lower and undercarriage weight will be generally lower. Which philosophy to utilize remains a strong S&C driver. We have considered brief implications of the aspect at this stage. Inclusion of vortical flow completely changes S&C aspects e.g. in trim, Cm behaviour at high AoA (vortical breakdown).

Ground Effect has been shown to play a very important role from S&C viewpoint. The trailing wake deforms and spreads outwards near the ground. With cross-winds, the effectiveness of ailerons / elevons can be strongly compromised – possibly lead to saturation. We may need to include TE sweep.

Relaxing longitudinal stability requirements using positive static margin has a very beneficial 20% effect upon L/D. On the Concorde this has been demonstrated in flight. We have been able to predict this with our theoretical approach. This is a very useful “anchor” for future work.

**Lateral & Directional Aspects**

For “Slender delta” type layouts, the S&C, Inertial Coupling derivatives vary significantly with M up to M 2.5. Beyond M 2.5 the derivatives tend to “level-out”. Choice of single or twin vertical fins, or alternative lateral / directional control devices, will be driven initially by the most demanding phase in the flight envelope. A few selected comparisons on sideslip effects have been shown. The S&C implications are very dominant.
Many avenues for further work, analysis and investigation have arisen. Similarly, deeper analysis of topics already covered will be required. These will be addressed in Phase 2 and subsequent phases.

13. FURTHER WORK

The work in this report on Phase 1 has shown that the role of S & C is very important in conceptual design for high speeds vehicles. We highlight continuation aspects for subsequent work phases as follows. The scope remains large.

1. Flight Envelope considerations through M, Altitude, Wing loading requirements with emphasis for supersonic Cruise aircraft up to 70,000 ft. These aspects are much broader than those for conventional transonic aircraft. Further work is needed with advanced engines to achieve 85,000 ft altitude. This implies flying through a wider $C_L$ range. For supersonic aircraft, balancing of high speed cruise against adequate low speed field performance (10,000 ft runway at 160-180 kts) remains challenging.

2. Initial typical weight breakdowns emphasise the S&C connections via L/D, fuel etc.

3. Useful results available on Supersonic cruise aircraft e.g. Concorde and the XB-70. (It is realized that a military aircraft will not have a long tail fuselage as on Concorde). Some of the S&C aspects were discovered too late (i.e. during special test flights and could not be exploited in later designs). These results allow a verification / calibration of the approaches being used. In turn, these allow more confident predictions for the main part of the work in more detail.

4. More “Modern” Supersonic Cruise Planforms with least movement of Neutral point as a function of M, hence reducing the need for fuel management and cg relationships. Some planforms may produce better balance between low-speed and high-speed trim and S&C. Further continued work on derivation of planforms.

5. Inclusion of Vortical Flow meant a great difference in S&C derivatives and control power required at high AoA. Undercarriage height and weight parameters are intimately related to Vortical flow presence. Undercarriage weight is of the same order as payload. Vortical flow implies lower L/D but smaller AoA. Conversely, attached flow with LE devices, implies higher L/D but a longer undercarriage height and so on. Further work is needed for Strike Configurations.

6. Longitudinal Stability levels at low speeds. Using our methods, including vortical flow effects, we can confirm the trimmed (elevon down) flight test results on Concorde at low speeds. Relaxed stability, (c.g. moved rearwards, unstable) allowed up to 15-20% improvement in L/D at low speeds. This aspect could not be however exploited in production models – too late! This aspect has a large bearing on elevon size or indication of the need for another trim surface, Fuel transfer and cg management etc. Further continued work.

7. Preliminary Ground Effect studies. We show that wake shape distorts (expands) near the ground and this produces a strong effect on control power needed. Further, the control power depends on the static margin available. Additional complexities arise as sideslip variation is introduced. For example 30 kts cross-wind can lead to 10 deg. sideslip. Need to continue work on Strike type planforms.

8. Control interactions. We show preliminary work on Aileron / Elevon / Rudder interactions in roll and yaw due to sideslip. At certain supersonic M, Elevon deflections produced adverse effects on rudder control power. Such aspects have a strong bearing on
Control sizing. There is a large amount of work to do in geometry variations, studying single, twin and canted fins.

9. Folded Wing Tips. Preliminary studies initiated show that the concept, first exploited by the XB-70 remains attractive for attainment of higher supersonic speed. This concept allows an appropriate balance between “high” aspect ratio (about 2.4) for low speeds and lower aspect ratio for supersonic speeds. The movement of neutral point between low and high speeds can be controlled. The importance of S&C during design phase becomes extremely important. Need to continue with work in more detail.

10. The emergency case of 2-engine failure (2 on same side out of 4) and side-slip effects are being assessed. Fin geometry and size is very dependent on S&C considerations.

11. Inertial coupling aspects have been introduced. We need to do further work in relation to possible strike planforms.

12. Performance of Strike Aircraft. We initiated the work by matching the performance of selected previous cruise aircraft. This has enabled a degree of confidence in beginning to predict performance for strike aircraft. There are several parametrics to study and we anticipate further work.

13. Speed Stability – Operating on back of L/D curve etc. More to be done.

14. M 1.6 aircraft can be anticipated that may provide a simpler design challenge. This could be attractive and we could demonstrate this with some further work.

We are open to any other suggestions that you may have.

The work focus remains on showing that S&C considerations should be included in design synthesis. In most cases we need to present the results on the various aspects with and without adequate and appropriate S&C. The performance then is intimately related to the S&C effects.

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<td>WFB / WP</td>
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<td>A</td>
<td>Axial Force along wing-plane x-axis (for definition of (C_A))</td>
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$C_{m_0}$  Cm at zero Lift  
$C_n$  = $n/(qSb)$, Yawing Moment Coefficient (Body Axis), positive nose to left  
$C_N$  = $N/(qS)$, Normal Force Coefficient  
$CoP$  Centre of Pressure  
$C_P$  Coefficient of Pressure  
$c_r, c_t$  Wing Root chord, Wing Tip chord  
$C_Y$  = $Y/(qS)$, Side Force Coefficient, positive to right  
$D$  Drag Force  
$DOF$  Degrees Of Freedom  
$k$  = $\pi ACD_i/CL^2$, Lift Induced Drag Factor  
$l$  Rolling moment (Body Axis), positive right tip up  
$l$  Length  
$L$  Lift Force  
$LE$  Leading Edge  
$m$  Pitching moment (Body Axis), positive nose up  
$L/D$  Aircraft Lift / Drag Ratio  
$M$  Mach Number  
$MRC$  Moment Reference Centre  
$n$  Yawing moment (Body Axis)  
$N$  Normal Force  
$Non-D$  non-dimensional  
$q$  = $0.5 \rho V^2$, Dynamic Pressure  
$r$  Aerofoil radius  
$m$  Aerofoil radius normal to c  
$R$  Reynolds Number, based on $c_{ave}$ (unless otherwise stated)  
$s$  Wing semi-span  
$S$  Wing Area, taken here as (front-wing + tip-wing) area  
$t$  Aerofoil thickness  
$TE$  Trailing Edge  
$V$  Airstream Velocity  
$x, y, z$  Orthogonal Wing Co-ordinates, x along body axis  
$x_{ac}$  Location of Aerodynamic Centre along x-axis  
$x_{cp}$  Location of Centre of pressure along x-axis  
$Y$  Side Force, positive to right  
$\alpha$  Angle of Attack (AoA), usually referred to the body as  
$\beta$  Sideslip angle, positive nose to right  
$\lambda$  Wing Taper Ratio  
$\Lambda$  LE Sweep Angle  
$\rho$  Air Density  
$\eta$  = $y/s$, Non-dimensional spanwise Distance
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Near Sea Level
Transonic L/D

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Feasible with 20000 payload

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Note payload Critical as SIZE decreases
Warm-up, Taxi, Takeoff Allowance: 20 Minutes Idle + Max Pwr Take-off to 0.3M
Landing Reserves: Optional 20 Minutes Loiter at 10,000 ft + 5% Internal Fuel

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Optimum Fan Pressure Ratio
Turbine Entry Temperature 1600°K, 2420°F
Maximum Compressor Delivery Temperature 850°K, 1070°F

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Nominal Configuration

Tips folded according to flight condition
50% internal fuel
W = 384,524 lb
cg at 0.218 \( \bar{c} \).

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\begin{align*}
I_x &= 1.8 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_y &= 19.9 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_z &= 22.1 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_{xy} &= -0.88 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2
\end{align*}
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body axis

Power Approach Configuration

Tips extended
19% internal fuel
Canard flaps down
Gear down
W = 300,000 lb
cg at 0.235 \( \bar{c} \)

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\begin{align*}
I_x &= 1.45 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_y &= 16 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_z &= 17.2 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2 \\
I_{xy} &= -0.6 \times 10^6 \text{ slug-ft}^2
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body axis

Canard Flaps Down

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Ref. McCormick

Failing of flight-measured data
Open symbols indicate flight-measured values
Solid symbols indicate predicted values

\( \Delta \) typical cruise condition

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L/D = 7.3
8.0
9.15
10.1

AR = 2.86
Drag Breakdown at Mach 2

Extrapolation from model to flight scale “equates” to payload

Main driver is $C_{DD}$

There are small differences between Military & Civil

$C_{DD}$ increases as Aircraft get smaller

Human payload

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The CoP shift obtained from the six angle of attack sweep tests are compared with the analytical predictions for wings WA-T, WB-1 and WC-1 (2DOF wings) in Fig. 23, and the lift curve slope for the same wings is compared in Fig. 24.

The CoP shift of the reference wing in the supersonic regime (11% of the root chord) was clearly reduced in the optimized wings, to about 1% for wing WB-1, and less than 2% for wing WC-1 (90% and 80% improvement respectively). Even in the transonic regime for which no optimization was done, the shift was reduced to 4% and 5% respectively.

The same results for the 2DOF wings, WA-1, WA-2 and the reference wings WA-T are shown in Fig. 25 and 26.

CONCLUSIONS

The results of the wind tunnel investigation validated the results of the numerical calculation of the analytical study. The accuracy of the calculation was found to be very good for the center of pressure (3% of the wing root chord) and quite good for the lift curve slope (12%).

The test results validated the numerical optimization of the three wings and showed up to 90% reduction in CoP shift, relative to a matching trapezoidal wing.
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$h/b = 0.5$

$h/b = 0.2$

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$h/b = 0.5$

$h/b = 0.2$
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(b) h/b 0.2, C_l 0.538, C_m -0.0149, C_l -0.067
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Typical Flight Envelope

Concorde limited Envelope

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(b) $y/s_n = 0.800$

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COMPONENT CONTRIBUTION
Panel Methods and Euler Method

\[ C_{Y\beta} = \frac{dC_Y}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{n\beta} = \frac{dC_n}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{i\beta} = \frac{dC_i}{d\beta/C_L} \]
\[ C_{m\beta} = \frac{dC_m}{d\beta/C_L} \]

- Wing/Body/Fin  } Euler
- Wing/Body  }
------ Wing/Fin  } Panel Method
-- -- - Wing  }

Fig. 9.1.8. CONCORDE C_{i\beta} v \alpha
COMPONENT CONTRIBUTION
M 2.0, Euler Method
Fig. 9.2.1. CONCORDE, EFFECT OF FIN ON ROLL POWER OF INNER ELEVONS (DIFFERENTIAL, +/-1°)  
\( \alpha \), \( M \) varies. Panel Methods

(a) Differential Elevon (+/-0°, +/-5°, +/-10°), Fin and Sideslip Effects, Rigid Wake Modelling
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FIN and SIDESLIP EFFECTS, Panel Method, EFFECT OF WAKE MODELLING

(b) Effect of Wake Relaxation, Differential Elevon +/-10°, C_L ~0.6
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(a) Without Vortex Lift
(b) With Vortex Lift Contribution

Fig. 9.2.4. CONCORDE, DIFFERENTIAL AILERON REQUIRED TO TRIM ($C_l = 0.0$) VARIATION WITH $\beta$ EFFECT OF FIN $M 0.3$, $C_l 0.6$, Panel Method
FIG. 9.3.1. XB-70, WING + FUSELAGE + FINs, M 2.0

(a) \( \alpha 4, \beta 0 \)

(b) \( \alpha 4, \beta 4 \)
FIG. 9.3.2. XB-70, WING + FUSELAGE + FINS, M 3.0

(a) $\alpha 4, \beta 0$

(b) $\alpha 4, \beta 4$
FIG. 9.3.3. XB-70, WING + FUSELAGE, M 2.0

(a) $\alpha_0, \beta_0$

(b) $\alpha_0, \beta_4$

FIG. 9.3.4. XB-70, WING + FUSELAGE, M 2.0

(a) $\alpha_4, \beta_0$

(b) $\alpha_4, \beta_4$
Component contribution
Panel methods and Euler method

\[ C_{\gamma B} = \frac{dC_y}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{nB} = \frac{dC_n}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{\mu B} = \frac{dC_{\mu}}{d\beta/C_L} \]
\[ C_{\mu B} = \frac{dC_{\mu B}}{d\beta/C_L} \]

+ Wing/Body/Fins } Euler
\[ \circ \text{ Wing/Body} \]

Fig. 9.3.7. XB-70, LATERAL DERIVATIVES v M
Fig. 9.4.1. SPACE SHUTTLE

Flight Configuration

Fig. 9.4.2. SPACE SHUTTLE, LATERAL & CONTROL POWER DERIVATIVES, VARIATION WITH M

$C_L$ & $C_n$ due to Sideslip  
Flight & Predicted, Variation with M

$C_L$ & $C_n$ due to Aileron  
Flight & Predicted, Variation with M

Body Flap Deflection, Flight & Predicted, Variation with M
Flight & Predicted Manoeuvre Data
Variation with Time

C_m due to \( \alpha \), Elevator & Body Flap Angles
Flight & Predicted, Variation with M
Manoeuvre Data

Fig. 9.4.3. SPACE SHUTTLE, CENTRE OF PRESSURE VARIATION,
LATERAL & CONTROL POWER DERIVATIVES, VARIATION WITH M

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Fig. 9.5.1. A0, A1 and A2 CONFIGURATIONS

A0, Wing only

Span 20, Root chord 31.96

A1, Single Fin

A2, Twin Fins
Fig. 9.5.2. A0 and A2, LIFT ($\alpha 4^\circ$) and LIFT CURVE SLOPE VARIATION WITH M

Fig. 9.5.3. A0, A1 and A2, CENTRE OF PRESSURE LOCATION, VARIATION WITH M
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Fig. 9.5.5. $A_0$ and $A_2$, CoP VARIATION WITH $\alpha$ and $C_L$, M 0.4

(a) $C_D - C_L$
(b) $C_D - C_L^2$

c) $C_m - C_L$
(d) $C_m - \alpha$

Fig. 9.5.6. $A_0$ and $A_2$, $C_D - C_L$ & $C_L^2$, $C_m - C_L$ & $\alpha$, M 0.4
Fig. 9.5.7. LATERAL DERIVATIVES v M
SINGLE & TWIN FIN, A1 / A2

Euler Method

\[ C_{\beta\beta} = \frac{dC_{\beta}}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{n\beta} = \frac{dC_n}{d\beta} \]
\[ C_{\beta} = \frac{dC_{\beta}}{d\beta}/C_L \]
\[ C_{n\beta} = \frac{dC_{n\beta}}{d\beta}/C_L \]

+ A1, Single Fin
X A2, Twin Fin

Fig. 9.6.1. LATERAL STABILITY (C_{n\beta}) VARIATION WITH M, Ref.14

[Graph showing lateral stability for various aircraft and flight tests, including Space Shuttle, XB-70, Concorde, and Euler predictions for Panel Method Predictions and XB-70 Flight Test.]
### MASS PROPERTIES OF COUPLING PRONE AIRCRAFT

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$$\varepsilon = 57.3 \frac{I_{xz}}{I_z-I_x}, \text{deg}$$

(b) Mass Properties, Ref.13

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Fig. 10.1.1. AIRCRAFT PRONE TO MULTI-AXIS INERTIAL COUPLING
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(b) Load and acceleration parameters during coupled motions.

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FIG. 11.1.1. CONCORDE, ALTITUDE – TIME & DISTANCE, Mach 2, CL VARIES

(a) CL at start of cruise = 0.1004,
CL at end of cruise 0.147

(b) CL at start of cruise = 0.1004,
CL at end of cruise 0.1004

FIG. 11.1.2. MATCHING CONCORDE, ALTITUDE – DISTANCE
SR301, Mach 2
Neutral Stability Design

FIG. 11.3.1. SR301, DESIGNED FOR MACH 2
PREDICTED AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS AT MACH 2

Linear Theory & Euler
0%LESuc
Achievable
Best k, Full LESuc
Achievable (90%)

FIG. 11.3.2. SR301, DESIGNED FOR Mach 2
PREDICTED AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS THROUGH MACH NUMBER RANGE
FIG. 11.3.3. SR301, DESIGNED FOR MACH 2, NEUTRALLY STABLE
PREDICTED AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS AT MACH 2

FIG. 11.3.4. SR301, DESIGNED FOR MACH 2, 5%\text{c}_r \text{ref STABLE}
PREDICTED AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS AT MACH 2

FIG. 11.3.5. SR301, DESIGNED FOR MACH 2, 5%\text{c}_r \text{ref UNSTABLE}
PREDICTED AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS AT MACH 2
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TEF AREA REDESIGNED FOR MACH 0.3 NEUTRAL STABILITY, AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS AT M 0.3

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FIG. 11.4.2. SUMMARY SR301, MTOW & OEW (x 1000 lb – RANGE (x 1000 nm), SFC & L/D VARIATIONS

OEW/MTOW = 0.379 at 392000 lb

sfc = 1.25

350000 lb

450000 lb

W x 1000 lb

FIG. 11.4.3. SUMMARY SR401, MTOW & OEW (x 1000 lb – RANGE (x 1000 nm), SFC & L/D VARIATIONS

OEW/MTOW = 0.461 at 250000 lb

sfc = 1.2

20000 lb

300000 lb

350000 lb

450000 lb

R x 1000 nm