



# THEORY OF FLIGHT PART II

*"REMEMBER, YOU FLY AN AIRPLANE WITH YOUR HEAD, NOT YOUR HANDS AND FEET."*

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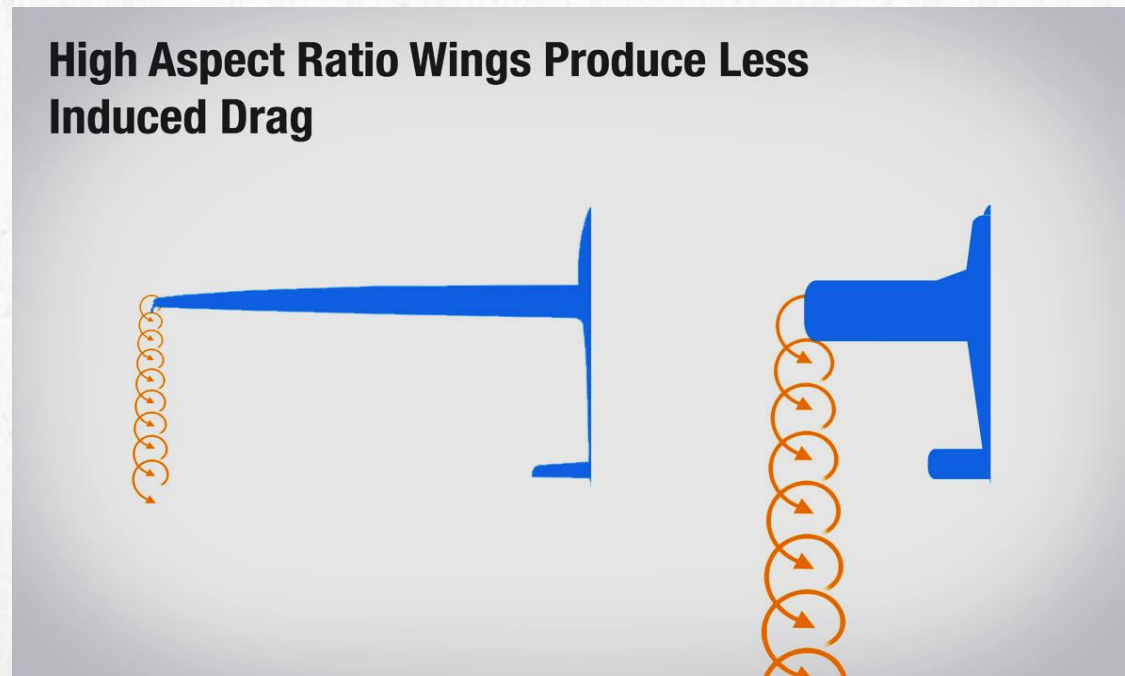
# QUICK REVIEW



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- What is an aspect ratio? How is it computed?
- An aircraft with a higher aspect ratio will generate more/less lift?





## QUICK REVIEW

- How do spoilers differ from speed brakes?



# DRAG



## PARASITE DRAG

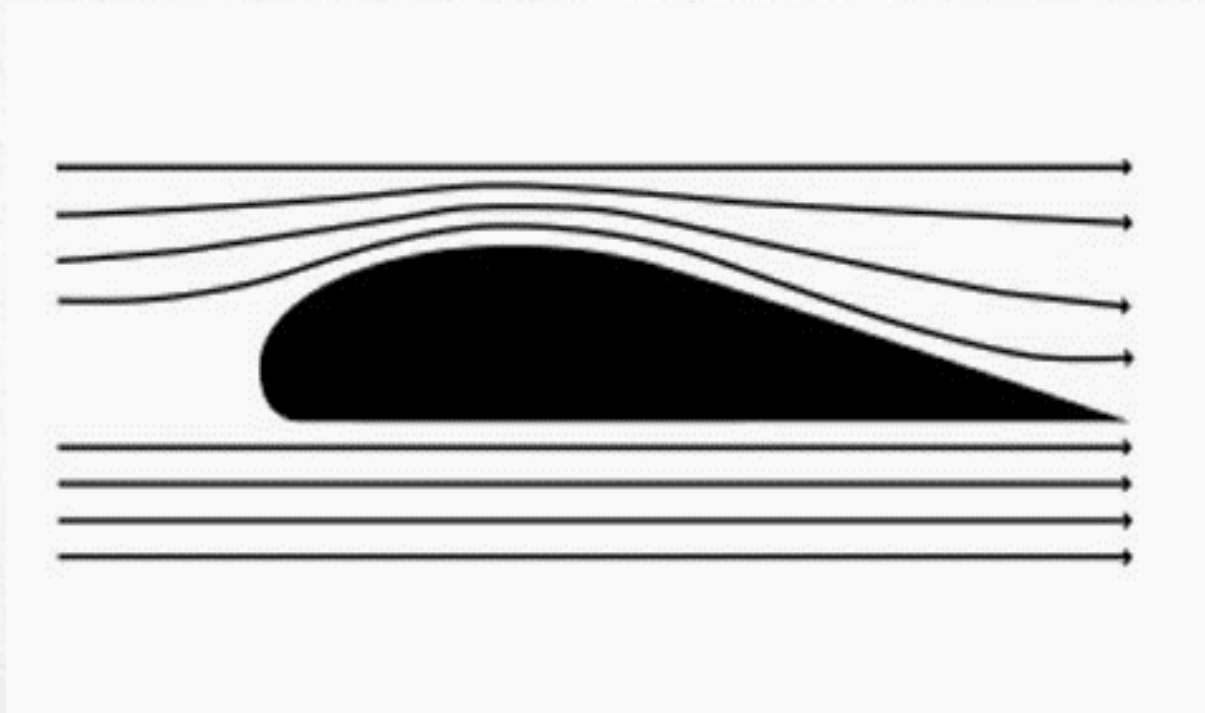
- Created from parts of aircraft that **DO NOT** produce lift
  - ex. Landing gear
- 2 types
  - **Form drag**
    - form or shape of a body on the aircraft ex. fuselage
  - **Skin friction**
    - Tendency of air flowing over a body to cling to its surface ex. dirt, dust, water

## INDUCED DRAG

- Created from parts of the aircraft that produce lift
  - ex. wings

## 2.1.1 - HOW IS LIFT GENERATED?

- Bernoulli's Principle/Newton's Second Law

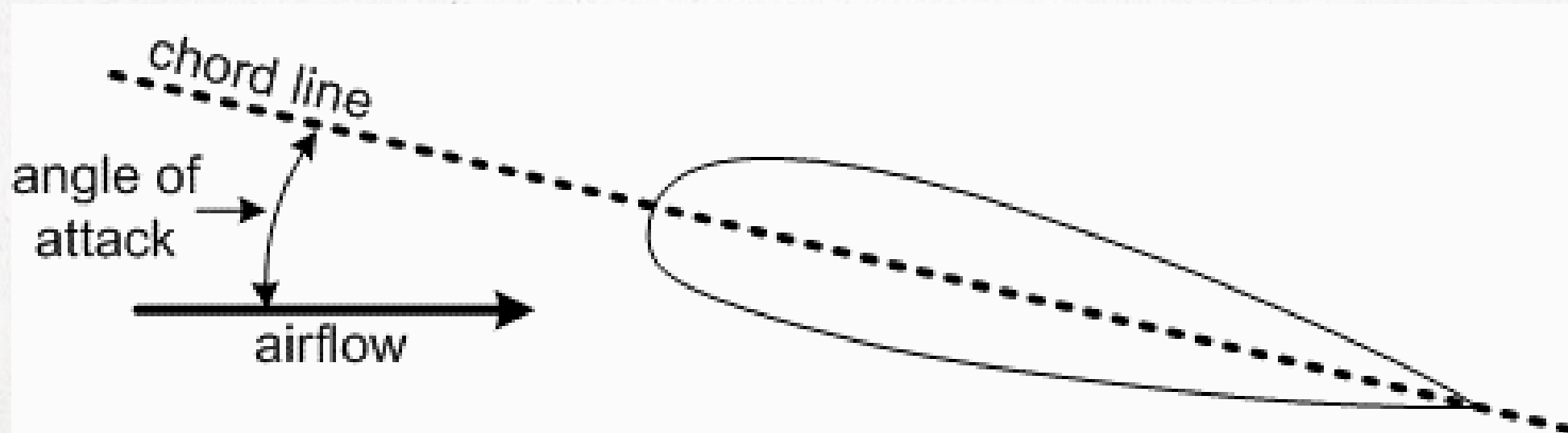




## 2.1.1 – ANGLE OF ATTACK



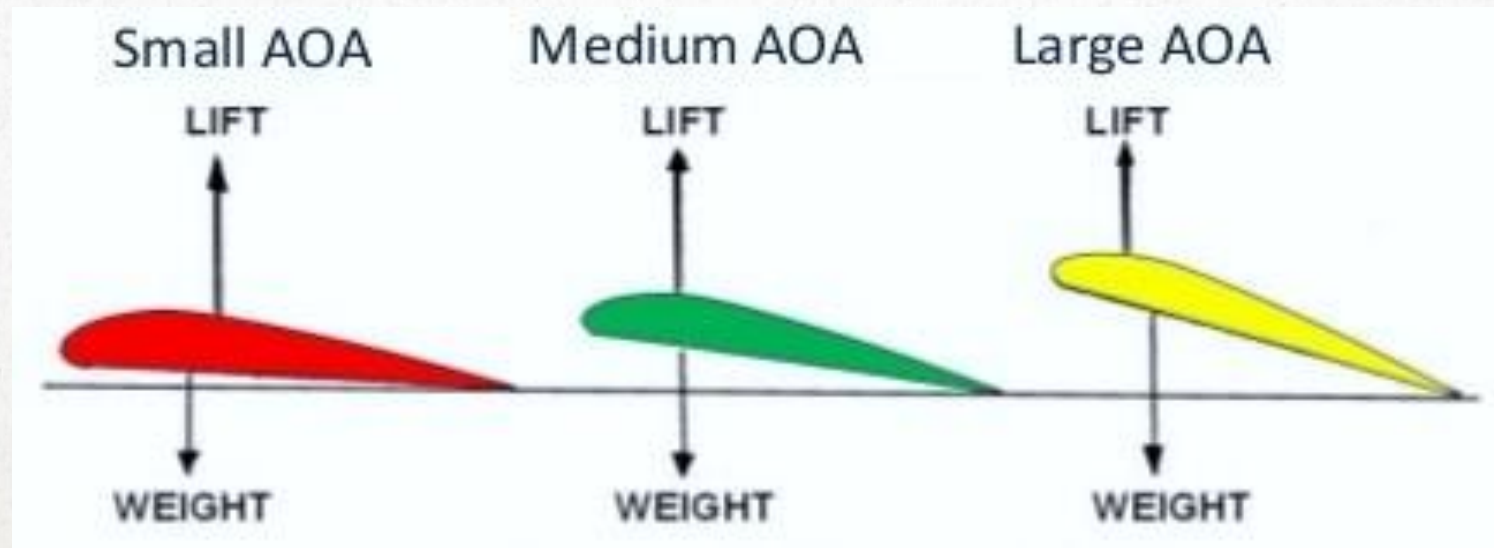
- Angle between the **relative airflow** and the **chord**



## 2.1.1 – CENTRE OF PRESSURE



- The **average location** of all pressures distributed over the airfoil
- Relationship between Angle of Attack and Centre of Pressure
  - As AoA increases up to the point of stall, CoP will move forward; beyond this point it will move backward rapidly





## CONFIRMATION - *WUN*

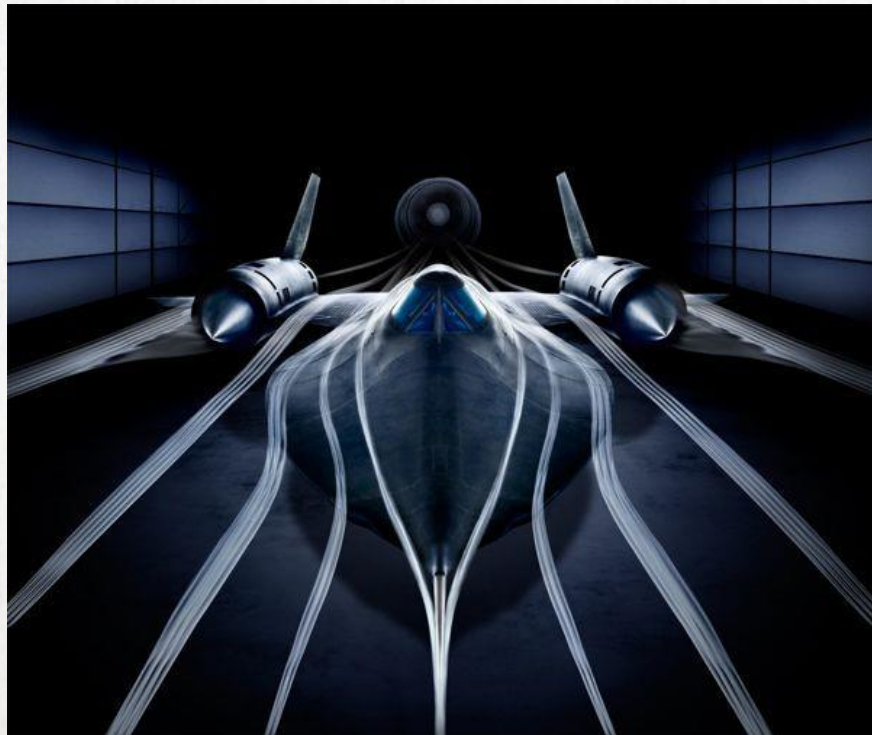


What Pressure is on the top of the wing ? Why?

What happens to the centre of pressure as the wing stall?

## 2.1.1 - STREAMLINING

- Designing the aircraft in order to minimize drag





## 2.1.1 - AILERON DRAG

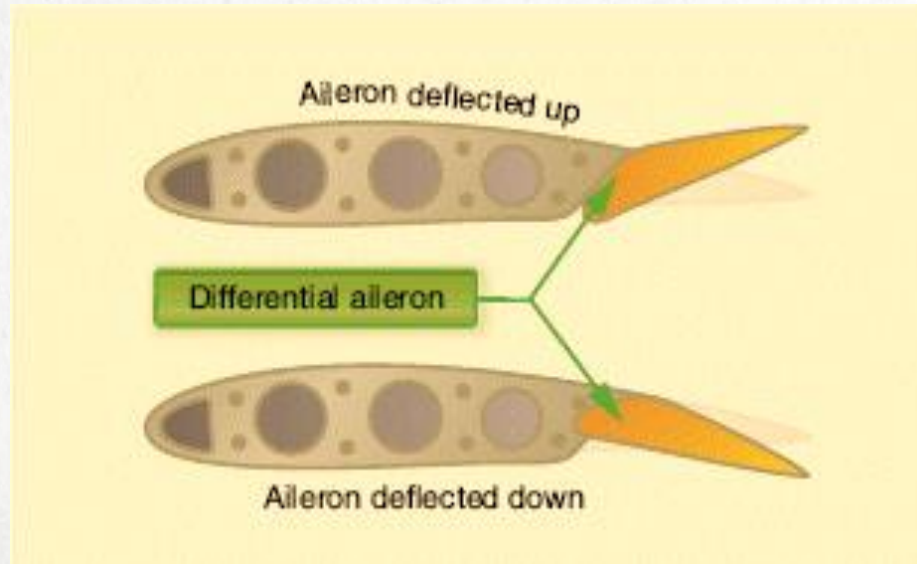


- When banking, the **downgoing aileron** produces more drag than its counter-part
  - As a result, the airplane will **yaw** in the **opposite direction**
- To resolve this problem, two types of ailerons are used
  - **Differential ailerons:** downgoing aileron creates a smaller angle than the upgoing aileron, balancing the drag created
  - **Frise ailerons:** streamlined ailerons that pivot on a hinge and direct airflow
- Overall result: **adverse yaw**

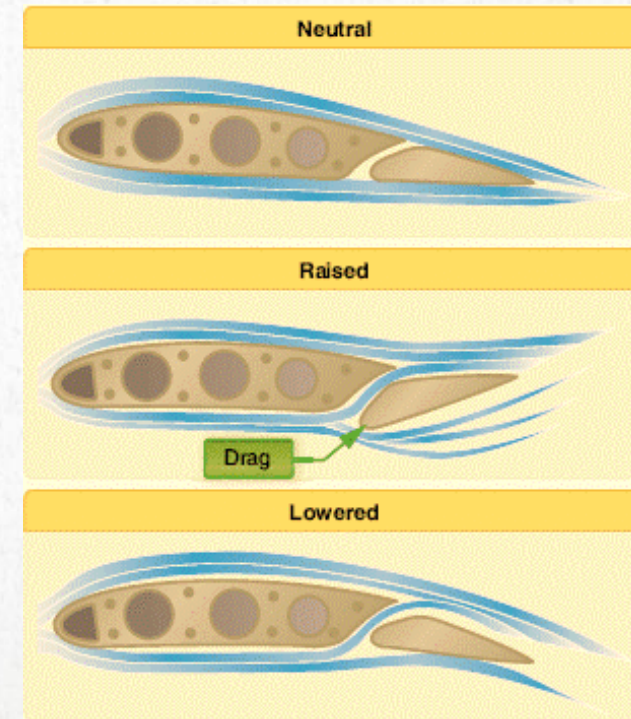


## 2.1.1 - AILERON DRAG

### DIFFERENTIAL AILERONS



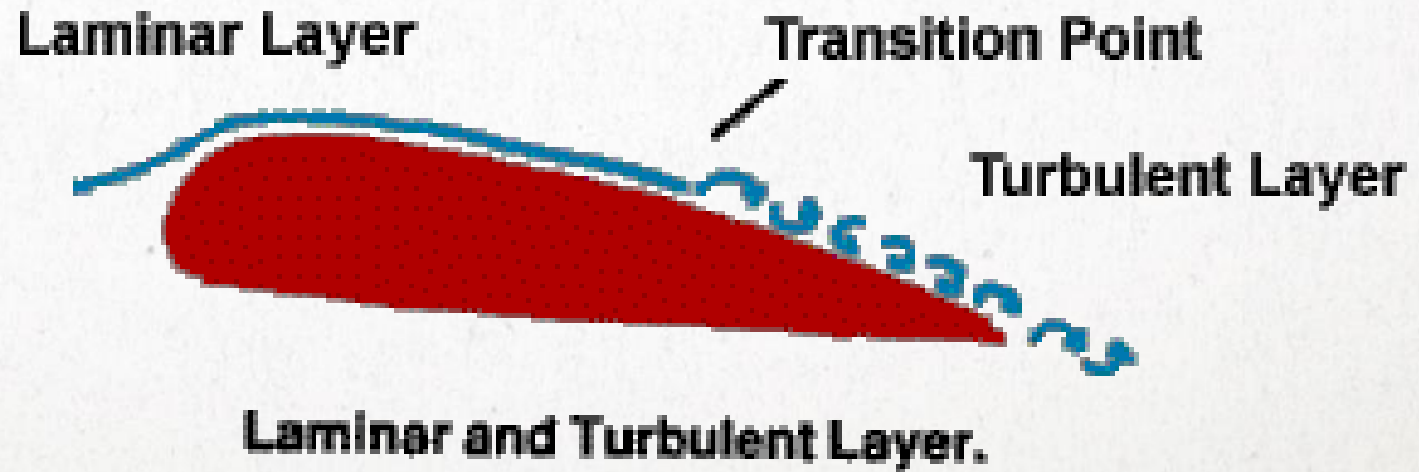
### FRISE AILERONS



## 2.1.1 – BOUNDARY LAYER



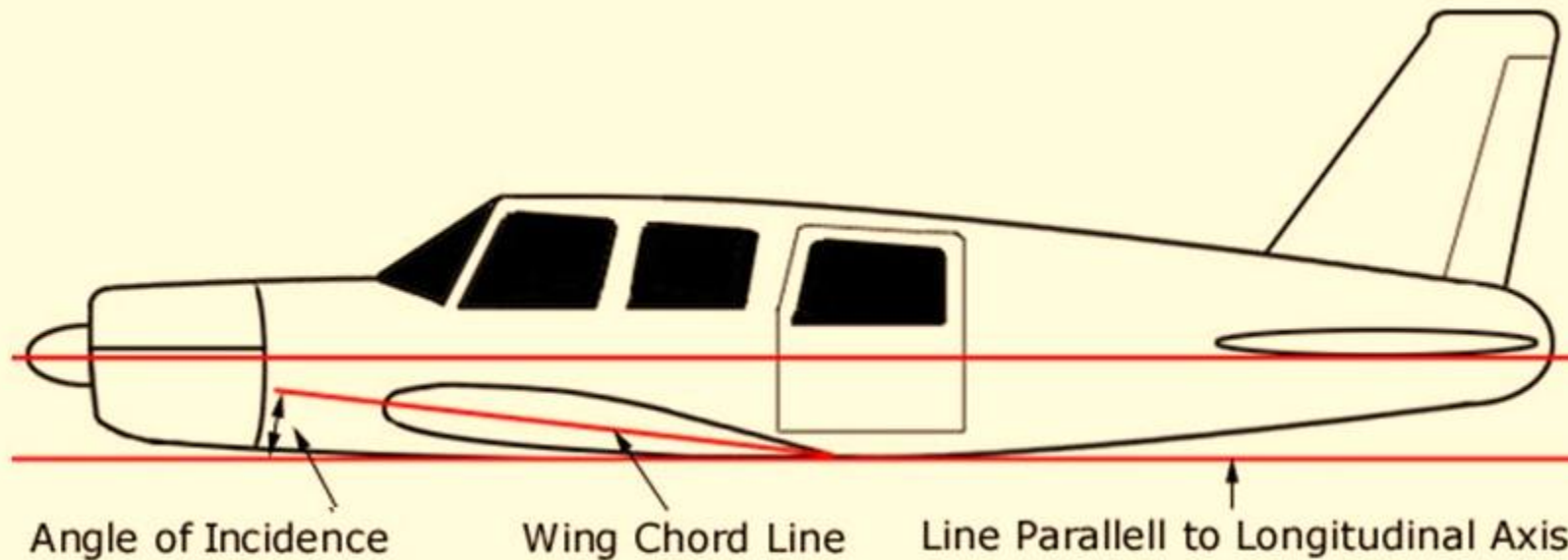
- Thin sheet of stationary air adjacent to the body of the aircraft (i.e. wings)
- As the wing moves through the air the boundary layer goes through 3 stages
  - Laminar layer
  - Transition point
  - Turbulent layer



## 2.1.2 ANGLE OF INCIDENCE



- Angle at which the wing is **permanently** inclined to the longitudinal axis
  - Does not change





## CONFIRMATION - *TOO*



Why would you want to streamline your aircraft ?

Name the section of air over the wing from the leading edge the trailing edge?



## 2.1.2 WASH-OUT / WASH-IN

- Reduce the chance of stalling the aircraft
  - Design a wing that stalls at wing root first
  - Gives pilots aileron control
- Wash out
  - Decreasing angle of incidence
  - Decreases lift
- Wash in
  - Increasing angle of incidence
  - Increases lift

## 2.1.4 – STABILITY



- Stability
  - “**tendency** of an airplane in flight to remain in straight, level, upright flight and to return to this attitude, if displaced, without corrective action by the pilot”
- Static Stability
  - “**initial tendency** of an airplane, when disturbed, to return to the original position”
- Dynamic Stability
  - “**overall tendency** of an airplane to return to its original position following disturbances”



## 2.1.4 – STABILITY



- 3 Types of Stability
  - **Positive:** develop forces that restores airplanes original position
  - **Neutral:** no forces present; airplane will neither return to original position nor move further away
  - **Negative:** develop forces that moves the airplane further away from the original position



## 2.1.4 – STABILITY

- **Longitudinal Stability**

- Stability around the lateral axis (pitch stability)
- Size and position of horizontal stabilizer & position of C of G

- **Lateral Stability**

- Stability around the longitudinal axis (roll stability)
- Dihedral, Sweepback, Keel effect, distribution of weight

- **Directional Stability**

- Stability around the vertical axis (yaw stability)
  - Vertical tail surface (fin)
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## CONFIRMATION - *TREE*

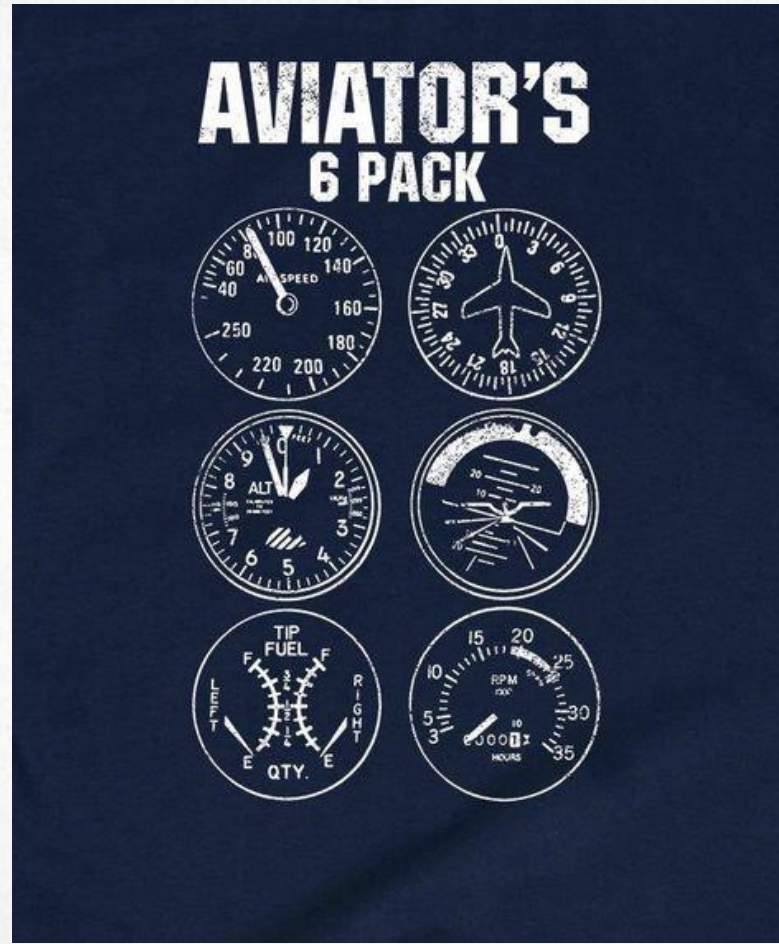
Around what point is lateral stability based? and what are the factors of lateral stability?

What's the key difference between static and dynamic stability ?

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**BREAK TIME!**



## 2.1.5 – FLIGHT PERFORMANCE FACTORS

### ✈ Torque

- ✈ Causes the plane to yaw left (propeller spins clockwise)

### ✈ Asymmetric Thrust (P factor)

- ✈ At high angle of attack, down going propeller has a greater angle of attack
- ✈ More lift is produced from the right side of the plane, causing the plane to yaw left

### ✈ Precession

- ✈ Change in plane of rotation of gyro
  - ✈ Ex: suddenly change from nose up to nose down attitude – plane will yaw to the left
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## 2.1.5 – FLIGHT PERFORMANCE FACTORS

### 1. Slipstream

- Cork-screw motion of air causes different pressures on either side of the tail
  - Since air flows from high pressure to low, the plane will yaw to the left
  - Corrected by off setting the fin
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## 2.1.5 – FLIGHT PERFORMANCE FACTORS



### 2. Turns

- The steeper the angle of bank (irrespective of speed), the:
  - Greater the rate of turn
  - Smaller the radius
  - Higher the stalling speed
  - Greater the loading (Gs), 60° turn is 2Gs
- The higher the airspeed (irrespective of angle of bank), the:
  - Slower rate of turn
  - Larger the radius

## 2.1.5 – FLIGHT PERFORMANCE FACTORS



### 3. Stall

- Wing becomes incapable of generating enough lift to counteract the weight
- **Stall at any airspeed/attitude if the critical angle of attack is exceeded**

### 4. Spin

- Wings are stalled (no aileron control)
- Plane rotates towards ground at constant and low airspeed

### 5. Spiral Dive

- Excessive nose down attitude
  - Airspeed is rapidly increasing
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# SPINS & SPIRAL DIVES







## CONFIRMATION - *FOWER*

What's the difference between a spin and a spiral dive ?

What happens to the turn with a steeper angle of bank?

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## 2.2.1 – PITOT STATIC INSTRUMENTS



- Pitot pressure system + Static Pressure source
- 3 Instruments



## 2.2.1 – ERROR IN PITOT STATIC INSTRUMENTS!

- **Altimeter**

- Pressure error – “from high to low, look out below”, “low to high, clear blue sky”
- Temperature error – correction card

- **ASI**

- Density – variable weather
- Position – corrected using calibration chart
- Lag – mechanical error
- Icing – blockage of pitot tube
- Water – water in the system

- **VSI**

- Lag – very common
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## 2.2.3 GYRO INSTRUMENTS

- Based on gyroscopic inertia and precession
  - 3 Most common instruments
    - **Heading Indicator**
    - **Attitude Indicator** (artificial horizon)
    - **Turn and Slip Indicator**
  - Other
    - Turn Co-ordinator
    - Compass (Special)
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# COMMON GYROSCOPIC INSTRUMENTS



Heading Indicator



Attitude Indicator



Turn and Slip Indicator





## CONFIRMATION - *FIFE*

Which one of these is not a error for ASI ?

1. Density
2. Position
3. Lag

Which instrument is connected to the pitot tube?



# NEXT WEEK...

- Finished section 1 of 4! (Woohoo!)
  - Test next week will cover everything you learned from both classes
    - Approximately 40 questions
    - You will be given 1 hour to complete the test (the 1<sup>st</sup> hour, so come early!)
  - Make sure to practice quiz 1 on the website
    - If you have any questions, use the contact us section of the website
  - Next section will be **Radio & Air Law**
  - Good Luck!
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