HINGE MOMENTS

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Introduction

The matter herein presented represents the results of an investigation on hinge moments of ailerons on a 1/12.5 scale model of a main wing airfoil of the XP3D-1 Navy Patrol Boat 1).

The data obtained were then employed in the calculation of stick forces due to aileron moments on the full scale airplane, the calculations covering a flying range of eighty to one hundred eighty miles per hour.

Description of Apparatus

The aileron was a 1/12.5 scale model of a main wing airfoil of the XP3D-1 Navy Patrol Boat having the N.A.C.A. #2218 airfoil section at the root and the N.A.C.A. #22112 airfoil section at the tip. Aspect ratio equals 6.97 and span 91.25 inches (232 cm.).

The aileron span was 24 inches (60.96 cm.) and the aileron mean chord was 2.395 inches (6.077 cm.). Aileron area was 370.446 cm.².

The aileron was hinged to the wing by three ball bearing hinges spaced as shown in the figure.

Measurements were made at various angles of attack, the wing chord being set at an angle of 5° to the fuselage axis.

The investigations were conducted in the wind tunnel at the Guggenheim Aeronautics Laboratory at the California Institute of Technology²⁾.

¹⁾ The XP3D-1 - The Navy Patrol Boat designed and being built by the Douglas Aircraft Company, Inc., Santa Monica, California.

²⁾cf. C.B. Millikan and A.L. Klein: "Description and Calibration of the 10 ft. wind tunnel at the California Institute of Technology", Transactions of A.S.M.E., Aeronautical Engineering, (1932-33).

The principle of measuring aileron hinge moments by means of the differential pressure on two orifices is an adaptation of the measuring device as developed and used in the measurement of the drag of a sphere³.

The apparatus consists essentially of a moment arm bearing an oxygen jet. (Figure 1). The arm is rigidly secured to the aileron at one end and held in position by a relatively rigid spring at the other.

A gap of .015" exists between the moving block which carries the jet of the moment arm and a fixed block having two orifices. Compressed oxygen is supplied to the orifice block from a gas cylinder through a standard pressure regulating unit.

A difference in pressure is measured on the manometer directly connected to the orifices in the fixed block depending on the position of the movable jet relative to the fixed orifices. That is, as a load is applied to the aileron, a proportional movement of the arm causes a movement of the jet relative to the orifices with a corresponding variation in the differential air pressure in the orifices.

Calibration of the device is made by application of known moments. Corresponding deflections are read on the manometer.

The moments caused by the wind loads in an actual run are then obtained by reading the manometer deflections and picking off the corresponding values of moment from the calibration curve.

The device is a new application of the principle and considerable experimental work was done in adapting the device for the measurement of hinge moments.

³⁾cf. C.B. Millikan and A.L. Klein: "Effect of Turbulence", Aircraft Engineering, August 1933.

Experimental data obtained as a result of the first runs with the device were not reliable. The results were due in a large measure to the more or less crude construction of the parts together with unsatisfactory means of securing the parts rigidly. A systematic investigation of the possible causes of the discrepancies was therefore undertaken.

Three springs were used during the investigation. Originally a transverse flat spring secured at both ends was used. With this setup the moment arm attached at the midspan. The difficulty of securing this type of spring rigidly, together with difficulty in adjusting same, made its use unsatisfactory.

The above spring was replaced by a round hairpin spring (.087"), which was held securely in the wing in an adjustable block at one end and in the moment arm at the other.

While results were considerably improved, difficulty in reproduction of data still prevailed.

The setup was further modified by soldering all parts where connections were made, in order to eliminate slipping. Calibration could now be reproduced with considerably improved results, although a drift persisted in the data.

As a final modification of the apparatus a loop was introduced in the hairpin spring.

By heating the tunnel to an approximate equilibrium temperature before commencing a run, it was found that more consistent results were obtained. By this procedure the effect of temperature change was reduced to a minimum.

During the experiment it was noted that an error was introduced in the manometer reading, resulting from tunnel air. This error varied with aileron angle. Examination disclosed the fact that with the tunnel running, air was blowing into the orifices. This difficulty was corrected by shielding the orifices with wax.

A vibrator operated by compressed air was installed in the model in order to minimize the effect of friction on the aileron hinges. Special attention was directed toward the cleanliness of the bearings.

It is believed that the data obtained from the final setup are quite consistent.

Chservations were made at wind velocities of 123 and 143 miles per hour.

The following convention was used in designating moments, (Fig. 2):

A moment tending to produce clockwise rotation as viewed from the pilot's seat is considered positive. All values refer to an aileron on the right wing.

(+) MOMENT

+AILERON ANGLE

-AILERON ANGLE

AIRFOIL INVERTED

Reduction of Observations

calculation

The calibration of the hinge moment from the net moments obtained from applying the deflections resulting from the wind loads to the calibration curve, is made as follows:

All results are reduced to the form of dimensionless coefficients.

$$CH = \frac{M}{oSt}$$

C = hinge moment

M = moment in gm. cm. as measured on the aileron

 $q = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 = \text{kinetic energy (a measure of velocity)}$

S = area of aileron in cm.²

t = mean chord of aileron

b = span of aileron

/ = mass density of air

For the aileron used in this investigation, the following constant is employed:

$$c_{H} = \frac{M}{qSt} = \frac{M}{q(370.45)(6.077)} = \frac{M}{2248.61(q)} = \frac{.000442 M}{q}$$

Figures A and B represent the value of hinge moment coefficient plotted against "Angle of Attack" and "Aileron Setting" respectively. The values of C_H plotted, represent the average value obtained for any particular setup, a total of about sixty runs having been made. The small variation of values obtained on successive runs may be noted from typical data sheets.

Calculation of Stick Forces on Full Scale Airplane

The following method was employed in calculating the stick forces resulting from the aileron moments at various speeds:

A value of l_w , (wing loading), equals $\frac{\text{Lift of Airplane}}{\text{Wing Area}}$

equals $\frac{20013\#}{1296}$ = 15.45, where weight = lift = 20013# and wing area = 1296 ft.²

From $l_w = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 C_L$, the value of $C_L = \frac{l_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2}$, where $\rho = 0$ density of air standard conditions and "V" is expressed in feet per second. For the value of C_L obtained for each value of "V", the corresponding angle of

attack is obtained from the curve of Lift Coefficient vs. Angle of Autack 4). Fig. 6.

The coefficient of hinge moment " C_H " was then obtained for the angle of attack corresponding to the Lift Coefficient for the respective velocities of the airplane in miles per hour.

The value of "CH" was substituted in the formula:

$$C_{H} = \frac{M}{qSt}$$

where CH = hinge moment coefficient

q = "q" in lbs./ft.2 for particular V in m.p.h.

S = aileron area (actual airplane)

t = mean aileron chord (actual airplane)

The moment on the aileron of the full scale airplane, therefore, is given by: $M = C_H - q$ S to the values of aileron moments for a one to one differential were calculated and plotted (Figs. 3, 4 and 5).

Since the differential of the aileron movement in the actual plane is not one to one, it was necessary to calculate the values of the moments from the aileron angles resulting from the differential employed in the XP3D-1. Fig. 7 is the curve of aileron angle vs. the wheel angle for the XP3D-1. From this figure was obtained the negative angle of one aileron corresponding to the positive angle of the opposite aileron.

The aileron moment was then calculated for a particular aileron setting. The value obtained was then corrected in the order of the ratio obtained from figure 8, Curve of Ratio of Aileron Moment to Wheel Moment.

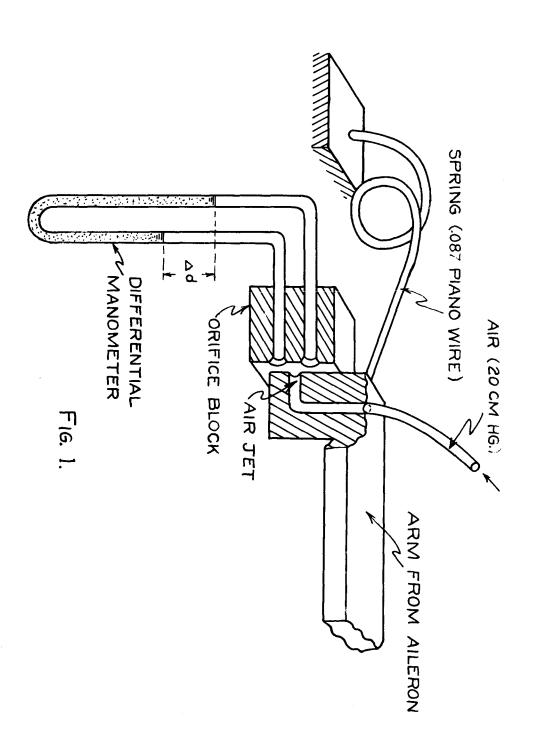
Fig. 9 summarizes the hinge moment investigation and represents curves of the Wheel Moment plotted against velocity in miles per hour for the XP3D-1. The aileron angle in actual flight will be small, while a large portion of the range covered by Fig. 7 represents conditions not encountered in flight, the results are of interest and are included herewith.

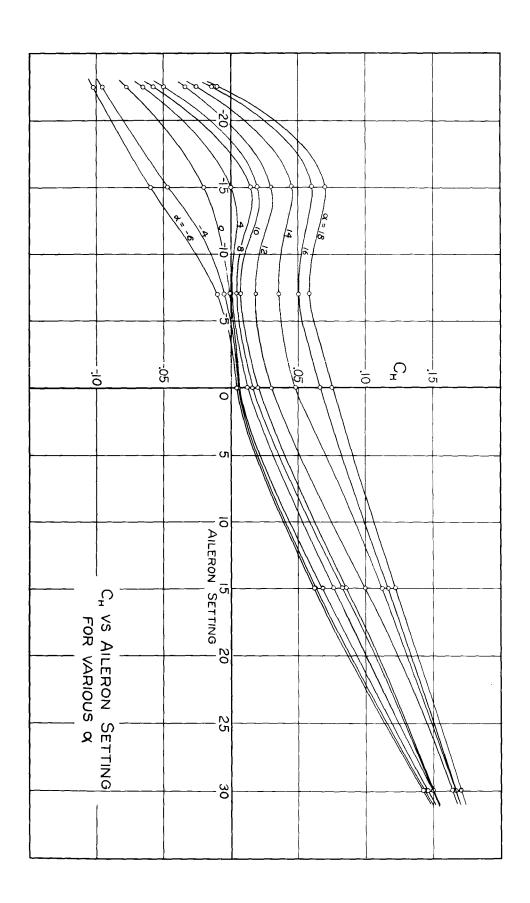
Assuming the control wheel in the cockpit of the MPOD-1 to have a diameter of twelve inches, the total force in lbs. that it will be necessary for the pilot to apply to the circumference of the wheel in order to obtain a particular aileron angle will be numerically equal to the moment.

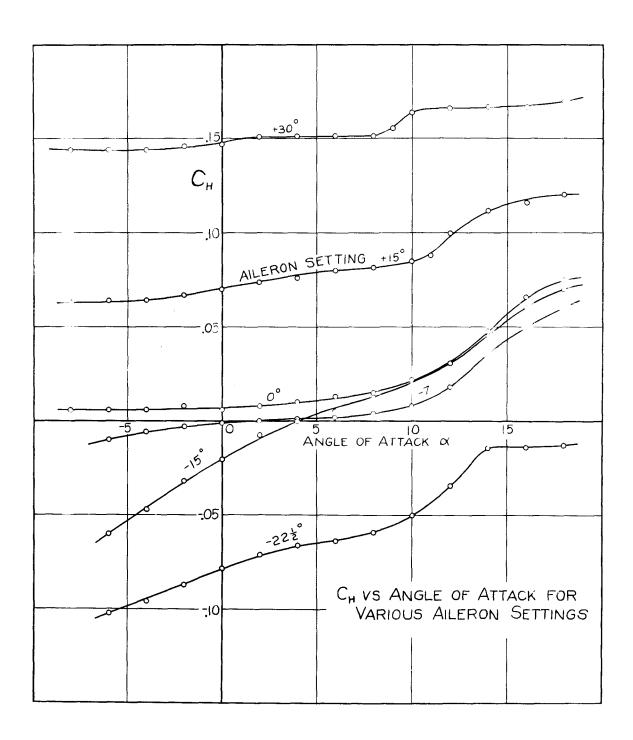
⁴⁾cf. Report 127, page 23, fig. 4, by C.B. Millikan and A.L. Klein

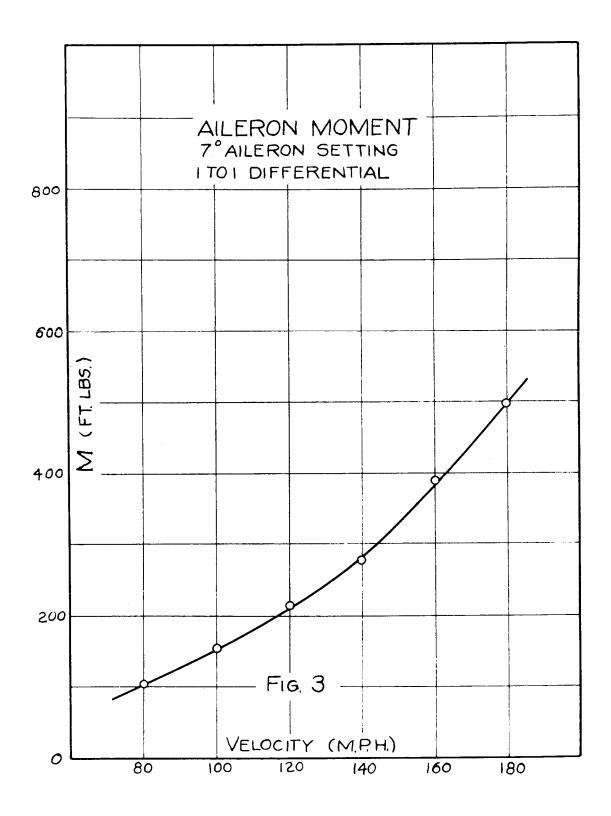
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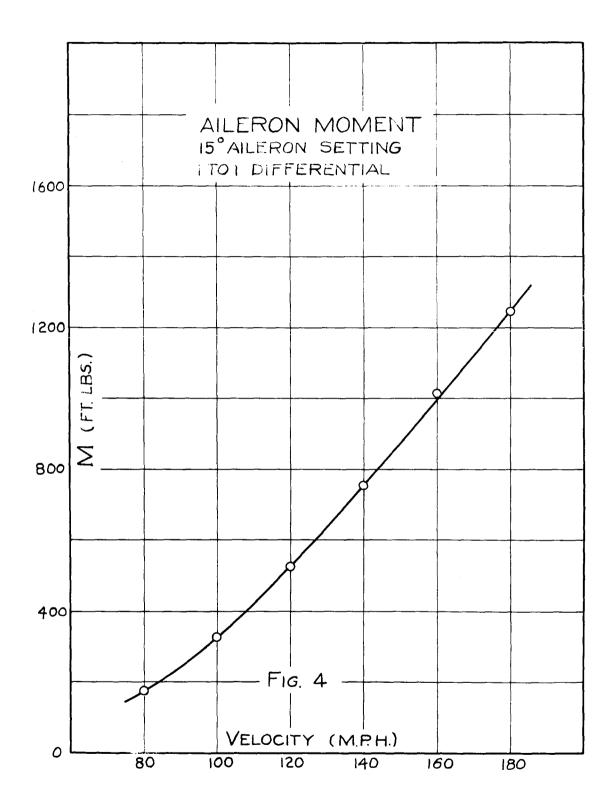
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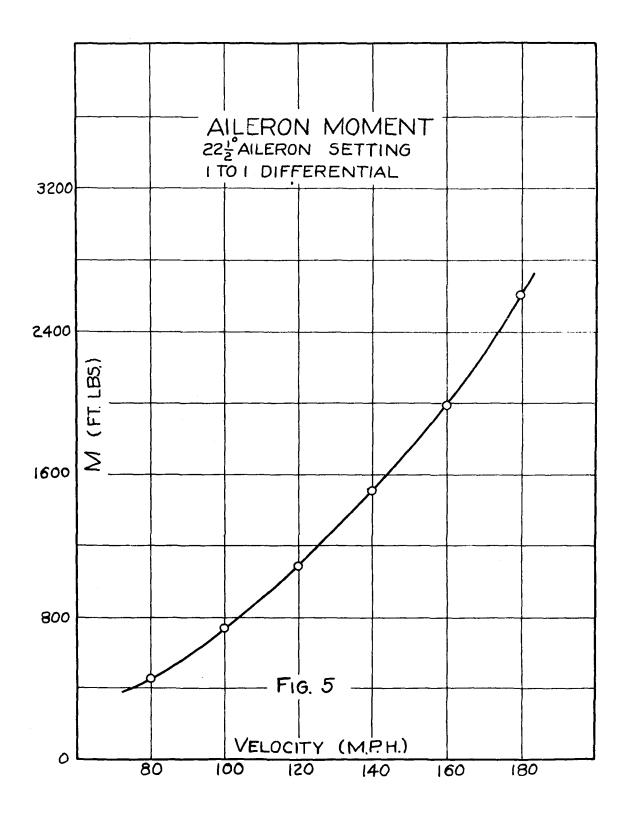


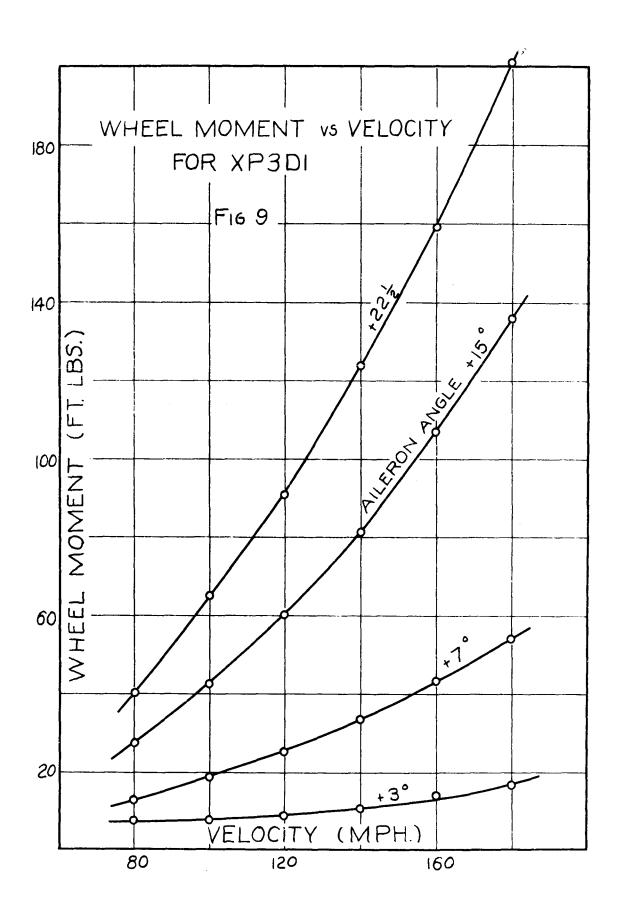












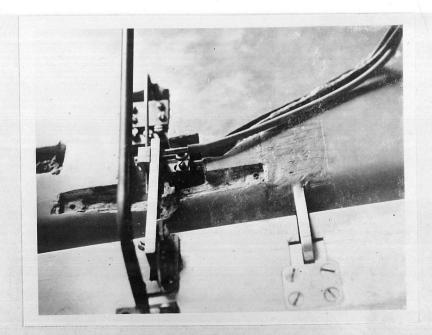


FIG. 8

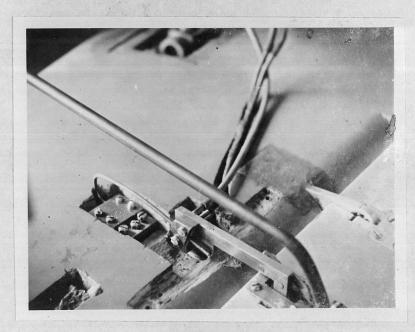


FIG. 9

Figures (8 & 9) - View of setup showing the original spring

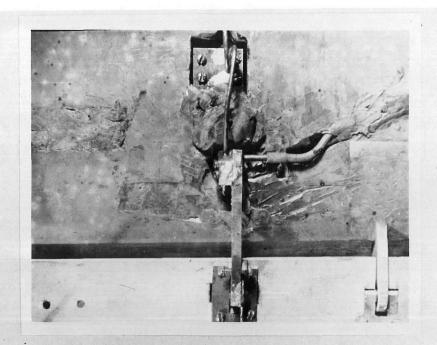


FIG. 10



FIG. 11

Final setup showing modified hairpin spring. The investigations were conducted with the setup as shown.

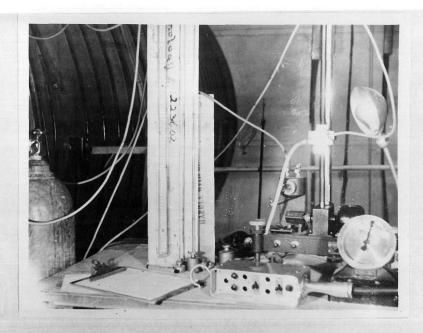


FIG. 12
View of instruments

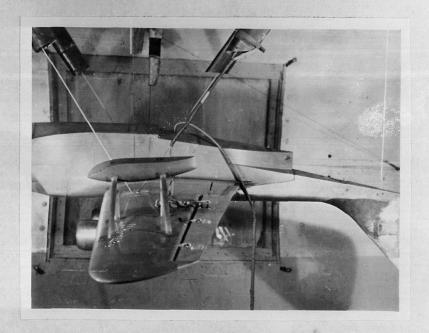


FIG. 13
The XP3D-1 model in the wind tunnel ready for test

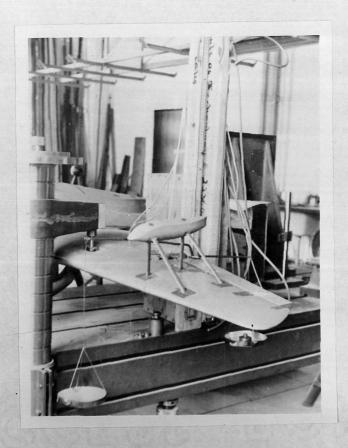


FIG. 14

View of the model showing setup for calibration before placing the model in the wind tunnel.

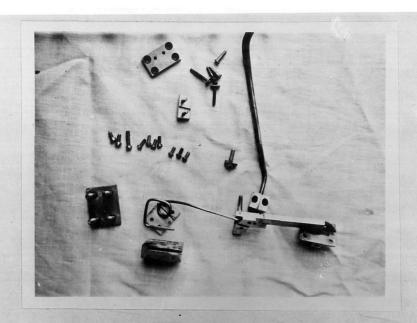


FIG. 15

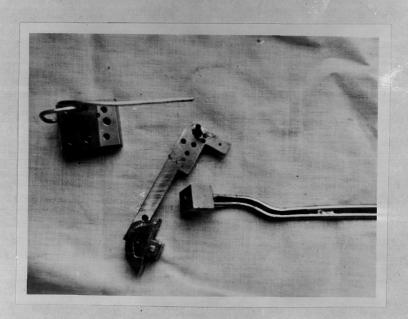


FIG. 16

Figures 15 and 16. Views of Orifice Block, Lever Arm (Moveable Jet), and Spring, Disassembled.

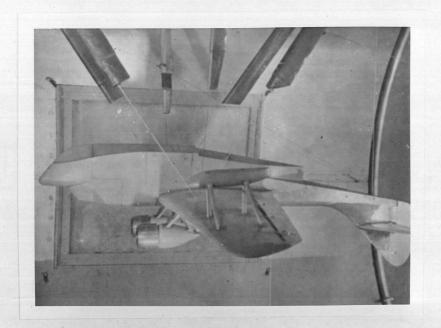


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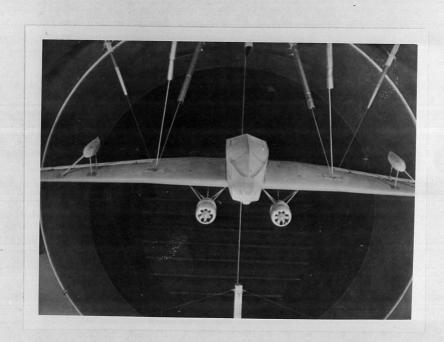
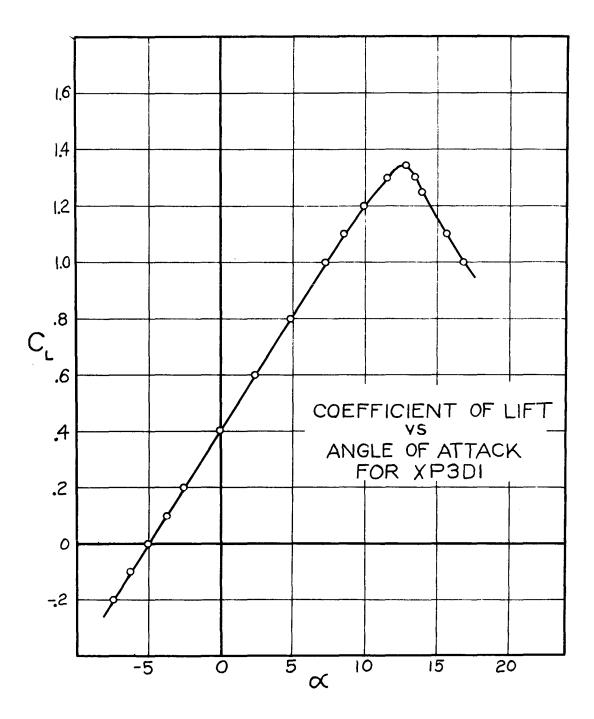
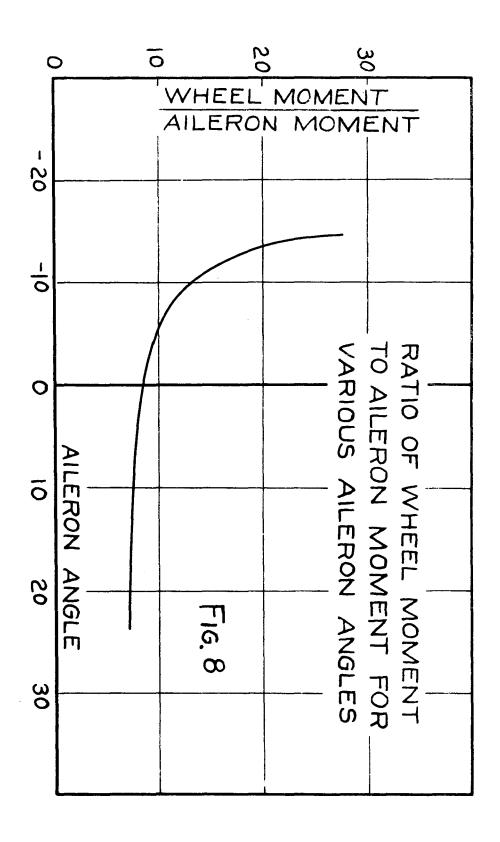


FIG. 18

Figures 17 and 18. Views of the XP3D-1 Rigged in the Wind Tunnel.





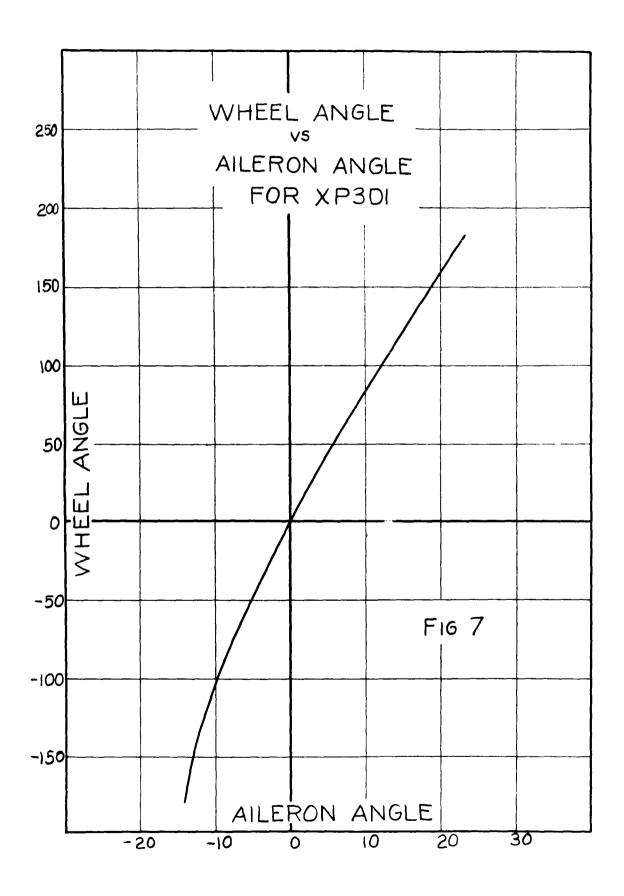


TABLE OF "q" FOR VARIOUS AIR SPEEDS

Airspeed m.p.h.	Impact pressure in lbs./ft. ² One std. atmosphere = 2116.8 #/ft ² = q	S × t	qS t
60	9.229	155.1	1430
80	16.405	155.1	2540
100	25,677	155.1	39 80
120	37.065	155.1	5740
140	50.570	155.1	7830
160	66.214	155.1	10280
180	84.037	155.1	13030

MODEL CONSTANTS

ANGLE OF ATTACK CORRESPONDING TO LIFT COEFFICIENT FOR VARIOUS SPEEDS

$$\mathcal{E}_{\pi} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \, v^2 c_L \qquad c_L = \frac{2 \cdot w}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{e_w}{\rho_{/2} \cdot v^2}$$

$$\ell_{\rm W} = \frac{20013}{1296} = 15.45$$
 $\ell_{\rm S} = .002378 \text{ (std)}$

$$c_L = \frac{20013}{1296}$$
 .001189 (mph)² (1.47)²

m.p.h.	80	100	120	14 0	160	180
$c_\mathtt{L}$	0.94	0.602	0.416	0.307	0.235	.186
c corresponding	+6.6°	+2.40	+0.10	-1.2°	-2.0°	-2.6°

Experiment <u>Aileron Hinge Moments</u>
Setup Aileron 300

Run 20 h_f = 15.000 f = 1.116

air pressure = 22.1 cm. Hg.

Calibration

-- arm = 9.00" = 20.86 cm.

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	W grama	đ	đ	average d	△ d	M
Positive moments o	nly:	for many of	4		· ·	
	0	40.7	40.7	40.7	April Artistan	
	20	39.7	39.6	39.65	1.05	457.0
	50	38.0	37.9	37.95	2.75	1143.0
	100	35.2	35.0	35.1	5.6	2286.0
	150	32.3	31.9	32.1	8.6	3430.0
	200	38.7	28.7	28.7	12.0	4570.0
	250	25.9	25.8	25.85	14.85	5710.0
	300	23.2	23.2	23.2	17.5	685 0.0
	350	21.0		21.0	19.7	7990.0

 $t_1 = 27.0^{\circ}$ $t_2 = 28.3^{\circ}$

 $t_1 = 27.0^{\circ}$ $t_2 = 29.0^{\circ}$

<i>ં</i> પ	đ,	a ¹	aver.	Δa	M	C _{My}
0	40.7	40.6	40.65	0	,	
-8	26.0	26.0	26.00	14.65	5780	.1435
-6	26.1	26.2	26.15	14.50	5710	.1415
-2	26.0	26.0	26.00	14.65	5780	.1435
0	25.7	25.8	25.75	14.90	5890	.1461
4	25.5	25.4	25.45	15,20	60 00	.149
8	25.3	25.4	25.35	15.30	6050	•1500
10	25.4	25.6	25.5	15,15	5990	.1488
11	24.7	24.7	24.7	15.95	6300	.1563
12	23.9	23.9	23.9	16.75	6625	.1642
14	23.8	23.6	23.7	16.95	6700	.166
16	23.7	23.5	23.6	17.05	6740	.167
18	23.1		23.1	17.55	6950	.172

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0	40.7	40.5	40.60		_	
- 8	26.0	26.1	26.05	14.55	5760	.143
-6	26.2	26.2	26.20	14.40	5 6 80	.141
-2	26.0	26.0	26.00	14.60	5750	.1425
ò	25.8	25.9	25.85	14.75	5820	.144
4	25.6	25.5	25.55	15.05	594 0	-1475
8	25. 5	25.5	25.50	15.10	59 5 0	.148
10	25.5	25.5	25.50	15.10	5950	.148
11	24.7	24.8	24.75	15.85	6250	.155
12	24.0	24.0	24.00	16.60	6550	.1625
14	24.0	23.7	23.85	16.85	6650	.165
18	23.8	23.6	23.70	16.90	6690	.166
18	23.2	1	23.20	17.40	6870	.170

Experiment Aileron Hinge Moment

Setum Aileron -70

Run 30 h_f = 15.000 Y_f = 1.118 air pressure = 22.1 cm.Hg.

Calibration

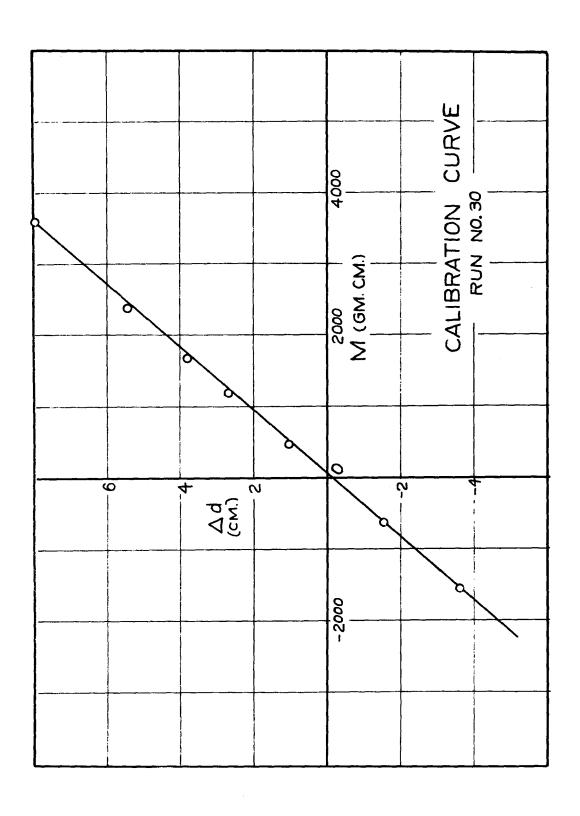
 $- \text{ arm} = 12.20^{\circ} = 30.99 \text{ cm.}$ $+ \text{ arm} = 9.47^{\circ} = 24.05 \text{ cm.}$

Positive moments:	W grams	đ	đ	average d	đ	М
TOSTOTVO MOMONICS.	0	44.6	44.6	44.6	0	
	20	43.5	43.5	43.5	1.1	481
	50	41.95	41.8	41.87	2.73	1202
	70	40.85	40.7	40.77	3.83	1682
	100	39.15	39.1	39.12	5.48	24 00
	150	36.6		36.6	8.0	3603
Negative moments:						
	0	44.6	44.6	44.6	σ	0
	20	46.1	46.1	46.1	1.5	619.6
	50	48.2	48.1	48.15	3 .5 5	1550

 $t_1 = 25.2^{\circ}$ $t_2 = 26.5^{\circ}$

αu	đ ,	đ 🕆	Aver. d	△d	M	СH
0	44.7	44.7	44.7	0		
-6	45.5	45.5	45.5	-0.8	-350	0087
-4	45.2	45.2	45:2	-0:5	-200	0050
-2	45.0	45.0	45.0	-0.3	-120	0030
0	44.85	44.85	44.85	-0.15	- 50	0012
2	44.7	44.75	44.72	-0.02	- 0	- 0
4	44.6	44.6	44.6	0.1	50	.0012
6	44.5	44.5	44.5	0.2	100	.0025
8	44.3	44.3	44.3	0.4	200	•0050
10	43.95	44.0	43.97	0.73	33 0	•0082
12	43.0	43.1	43.05	1.65	730	.0181
14	41.3	41.3	41.3	3.4	1500	.0372
16	40.2	40.2	40.2	4.5	2000	.0497
18	39.4		39.4	5.3	23 50	.0583

αu	đ↓	d↑	Aver.	△ đ	М	cH
0	44.25	44.3	44.27	0		
-6	45.15	45.1	45.12	85	-370	0092
-4	44.8	44.8	44.8	53	-200	0050
-2	44.6	44.5	44.55	28	-120	0029
0	44.5	44.4	44.45	18	- 60	0010
2	44.4	44.3	44.35	08	- 40	0009
4	44.3	44.2	44.25	0	0	0
6	44.2	44.1	44.15	.10	50	.0012
8	44.0	43.9	43.95	•30	14 0	.0035
10	43.65	43.6	43.62	.63	300	•0075
12	42.8	42.7	42.75	1.50	670	.0166
14	41.0	41.0	41.0	3.25	1430	•0355
16	39.7	39.7	39.7	4.55	2025	.0502
18	38.9-		38.9	5.35	2380	.0591



CALCULATION OF	WHEEL JOIL	NT FOR (nie do oi	ie diffe	RENTIAL
	+7° A1	leron Ar	v;le		
Miles per Hour	80	100	120	140	160
qSt	2540	39 80	5 74 0	7830	10280
Angle of Attack	6.6	2.4	•1	-1.2	-2
CH(7°.)	.044	.039	.0365	.035	•034
Mgo = CHqSt	112	156	209	274	35 0
C _H (_7°)	.))25	.0005	001	002	003
1:(-70) = C;:qSt	6.35	1.9	-5.74	-15.6	-30. 8
:47)	113	156.0	209.0	274.0	350.0
₩ =(M70) - (M_70)	105.65	154.1	214.7	239.6	3 80.8
	+ 15°	Ailuron .	Angle		
^C H(15°)	.0805	.075	•071	•063	.067
12(15°) = CH4St	204	239	407	533	337
^C H(-15 ^C)	•၁၀9	007	020	028	032
::(-150) = CHQSt	+ 25.4	-27.9	- 114	- 219	- 32 8
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	+2310	Aileron	Angle			
^C H(22 ^{1,0})	.115	.113	•109	.107	.1 05	.105
:(33,0) = OHd3t	292	4 50	32 5	838	1088	137 0
CH(_22\))	062	071	073	084	087	089
M(-2210)= CipySt	-157.5	- 281	- 440	- 662	- 894	-1220
.(21:1°)	292	450	625	838	1088	13 7 0
:: = "(22;0) = (-32;0)	449.5	731	1074	15 00	1982	2590

CALCULATIO	n of wher	il moncenn	FOR+15	O AILEROI	! ANGLE		
Miles per Hour		80	100	12 0	140	160	180
qS t		2540	3980	5740	7830	102 80	13030
Angle of Attack		₫• 6 0	2.40	0.1°	-1.2°	- 2°	-2.6°
c_{H}	(15°)	•0805	•075	.071	•0 6 8	•067	.066
M _A = C _H qSt	(15°)	204	299	4 07	53 3	687	861
$H_{r} = C_{H}qSt \times \frac{1}{7.1}$	(15°)	28.8	42.1	57 . 2	75	97	121
C _H	(-11.3°)	•0073	001	0075	012	015	017
M _A = C _H qSt	(-11.3°)	18.5	-3.98	43.1	94.0	154	2 21
$x_{y} = c_{H}qst \times \frac{1}{15}$	(-11.3°)	1.2	3	- 2.9	- 6.3	-10.3	-14.8
My (+15°)		28.8	42.1	57.2	75	97	121
My (-11.3°)		+1.2	3	- 2.9	- 6.3	-10.3	-14.8
My = My(+150) - My	(-11.3 ⁰)	27.6	42.4	60.1	81.3	107.3	135.8

CALCULATIO	n of them	L HOLLENT	FOR+30	AILURON	Algle		
Miles per Hour		80	100	120	140	160	180
qSt .		2540	3980	5740	7830	10280	13030
Angle of Attack		6.6°	2.4°	0.10	-1.2°	-2°	-2.6°
c _H	(3°)	.027	•0183	.0145	.013	.0 13 5	.0120
MA = CHQSt	(3°)	68.5	73.5	80•4	102	129	156.5
$M_7 = C_{HQ}St \times \frac{1}{7}$	(3°)	3.8	1.0.5	11.9	14.5	13.4	22.3
C _H	(-2.7°)	.0083	0050	.0043	.004	•0038	.0035
M _A = C _H qSt	(-2.7°)	21.1	19.9	24.7	31.3	39. 0	45.6
$M_{7} = C_{Hq}St \times \frac{1}{9}$	(-2.70)	2.3	2.2	2.8	3,5	4.3	5.1
Mg(+3°)		9.8	10.5	11.9	14.5	1 3.4	22.3
¹⁵ 7(-2.70)		2.3	8.3	2.3	3.5	4.3	5.1
My = My(+30) - My(-2.7°)	7.5	8.3	9.1	11.0	14.1	17.2

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Miles per Hour		80	100	120	140	160	180
qSt		2540	3980	5 74 0	78 3 0	10280	13030
Angle of Attack		6.60	2.40	0.10	-1.20	- 2º	-2.6°
c _H	(22 ^{1,0})	.115	.113	.109	.107	.106	.105
*MA = CHQSt	(22½°)	292	4 50	625	83 8	1088	1370
**My = CHqSt x	$\frac{1}{7} \left(22^{10}_{2}\right)$	41.7	64.3	88 .3	120	154	196
c _H	(-140)	.010	005	017	023	029	033
MA = CHqSt	(-14°)	25.4	-19.9	-97.5	-180.5	- 298	- 430
$M_{\rm ff} = C_{\rm HQSt} \times \frac{1}{23}$	(-14°)	1.27	85	-2.72	-3.65	-4.73	-5.97
!4 (+22 <mark>10</mark>)		41.7	64.3	88.3	120	154	196
M _N (-14°)		1.27	85	-2.72	-3.65	-4.73	-5.97
My = My(+2210)	- MW(-14°)	40.43	65,15	91.02	123.65	158.73	201.97

*Aileron Moment **Wheel Moment

¹ For actual plane

William and Mana		80	100	120	140	16 0	180
Miles per Hour		80	100	120	140	100	100
qSt		2540	3980	5 74 0	7830	10280	13030
Angle of Attack		6.60	2.40	0.10	-1.2°	_2°	-2.6°
СН	(7°)	.044	•039	.0365	•0 3 5	.034	.∂34
u _A = c _H qst	(7°)	112	156	209	274	35 0	434
My = CHqSt x 7	$\frac{1}{.6}$ (7°)	14.8	20.5	27.5	36.1	46.1	57.1
CH	(-4°)	.008	.0033	.0031	.0028	•0025	.0021
MA = CHQSt	(-4°)	15.3	13.2	17.8	22.0	25. 8	27.4
My = CHQSt x 9	1 (-4°)	1.6	1.4	1.9	2.3	2.7	3.9
11, (+7°)		14.8	20.5	27.5	36.1	46.1	57.1
167 (-4°)		1.6	1.4	1.9	2.3	2.7	3.9
$M_7 = M_7(-7^\circ) =$	M=(.0)	13.2	19.1	25.6	33.8	43.4	54.2