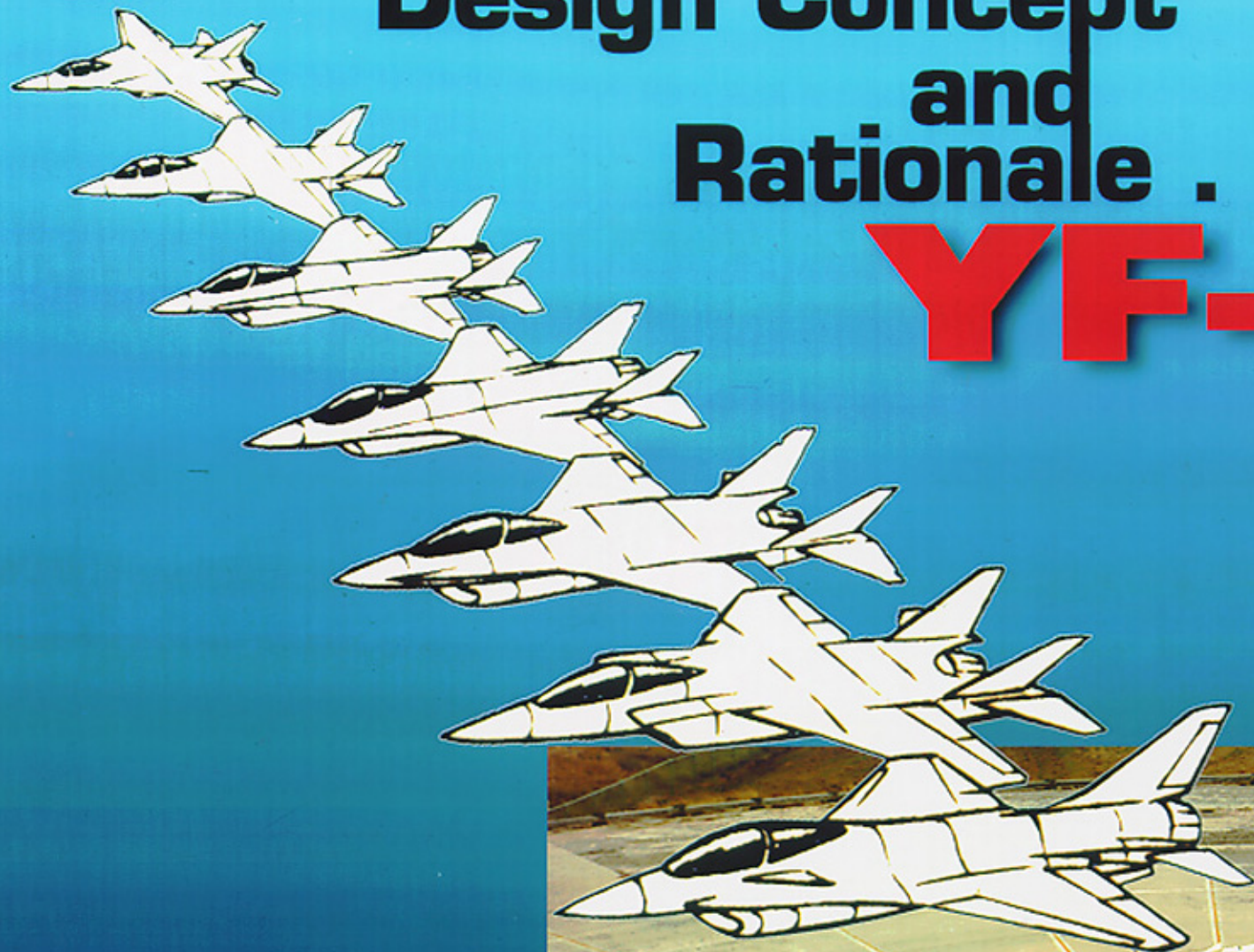


1965

Design Concept and Rationale for **YF-16**



Presented By:
Harry J. Hillaker
Vice-President (Retired)

 **Lockheed**
Fort Worth Company

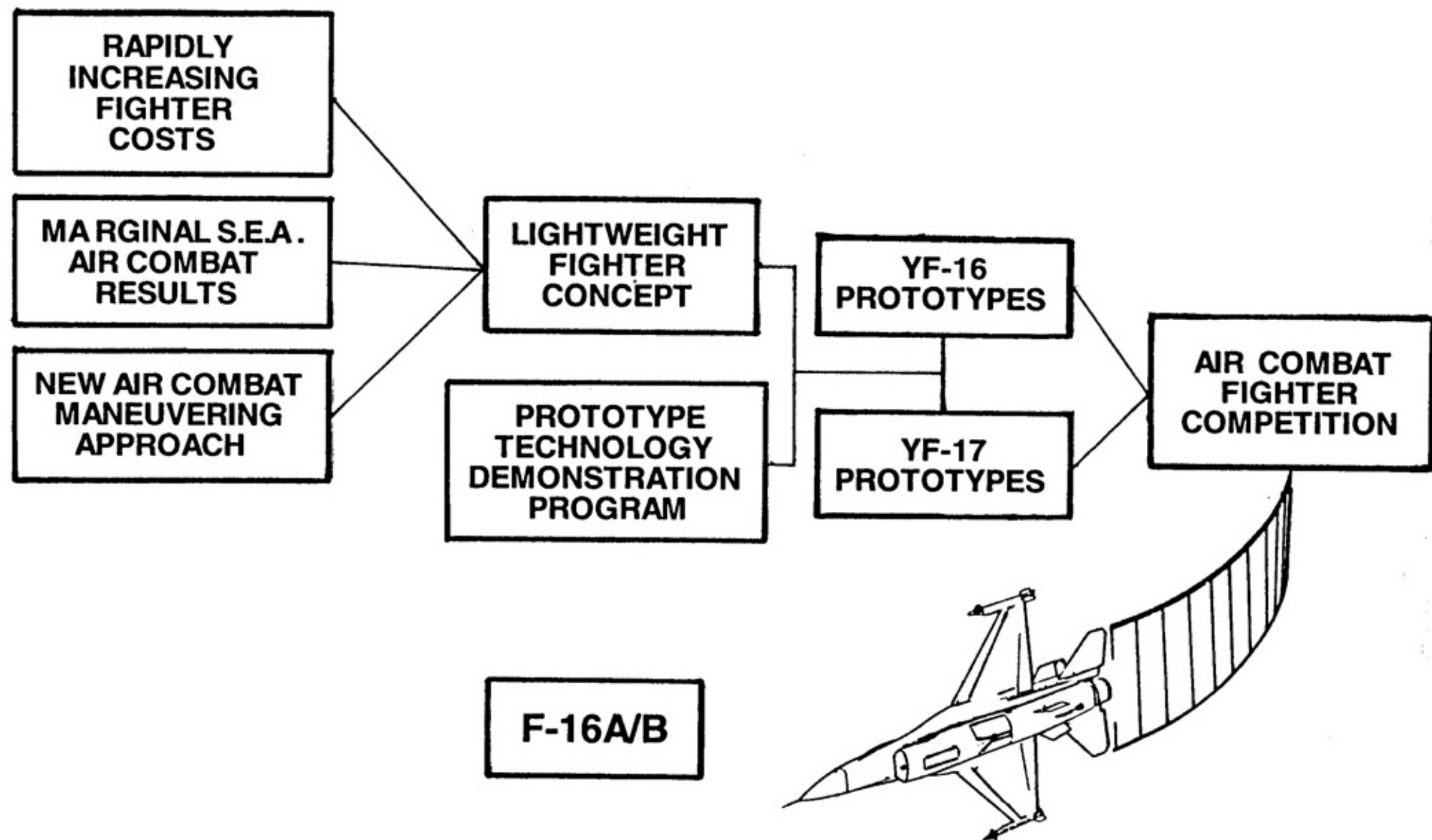
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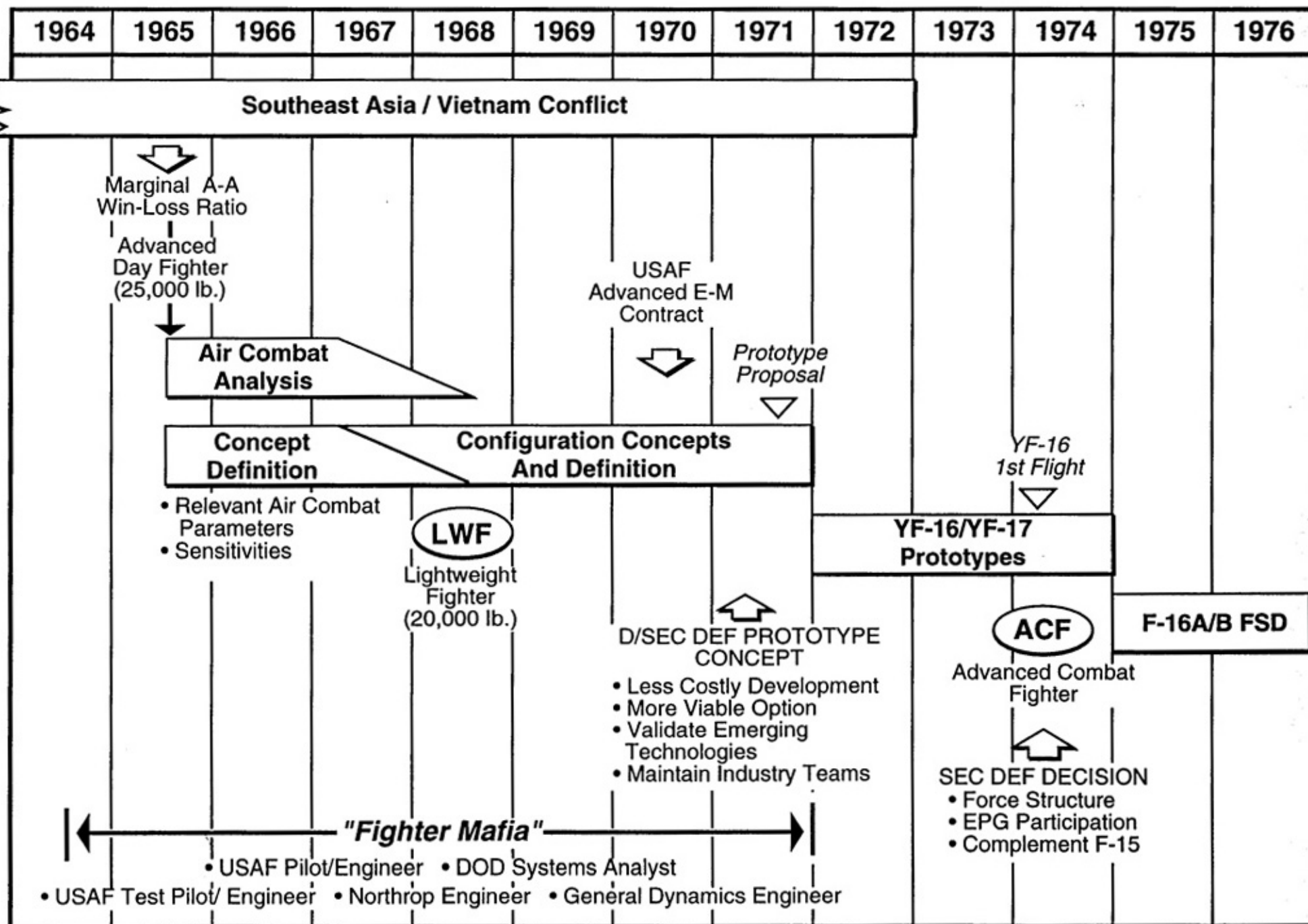
SCOPE OF PRESENTATION

- + **BACKGROUND LEADING TO F-16.**
- + **WHY THE F-16 LOOKS LIKE IT DOES.**

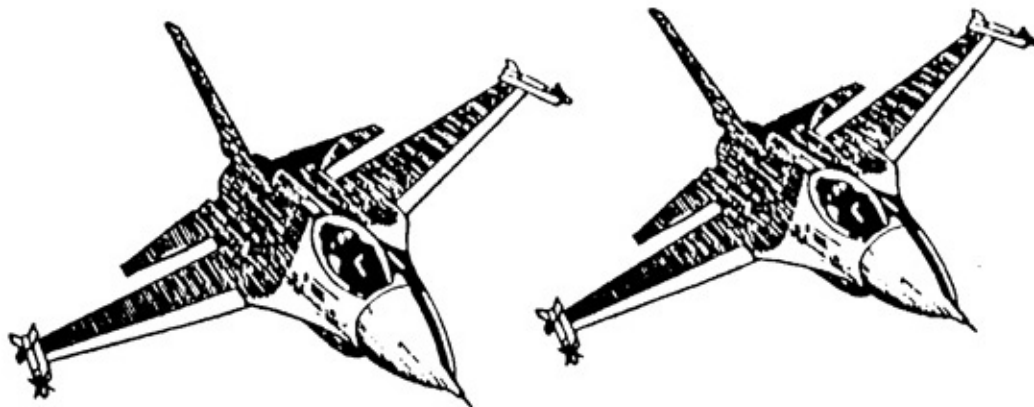
EVENTS LEADING TO F-16



Chronology Of F-16 Development



YF-16 PROTOTYPE PROGRAM



- **TWO YF-16 PROTOTYPES FOR TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION.**
 - **Explore Potential Of Integrated Advanced Technologies**
 - *Emphasis on Airframe Technologies*
 - **Define Operational Utility and Suitability of Concept**
 - *30 Percent of Test Flights*
- **FLEW OVER 350 FLIGHTS TOTALING MORE THAN 400 HOURS IN 10 MONTH PERIOD**
- **TEST PILOTS:**
 - (2) Contractor
 - (2) Air Force Flight Test Center
 - (1) Air Force Operational Test & Evaluation Center

FORCE SIZE POLICY CHANGED

THEN: (1950-60-70)

Fixed Force Size (Numbers)  ***Cost Secondary***

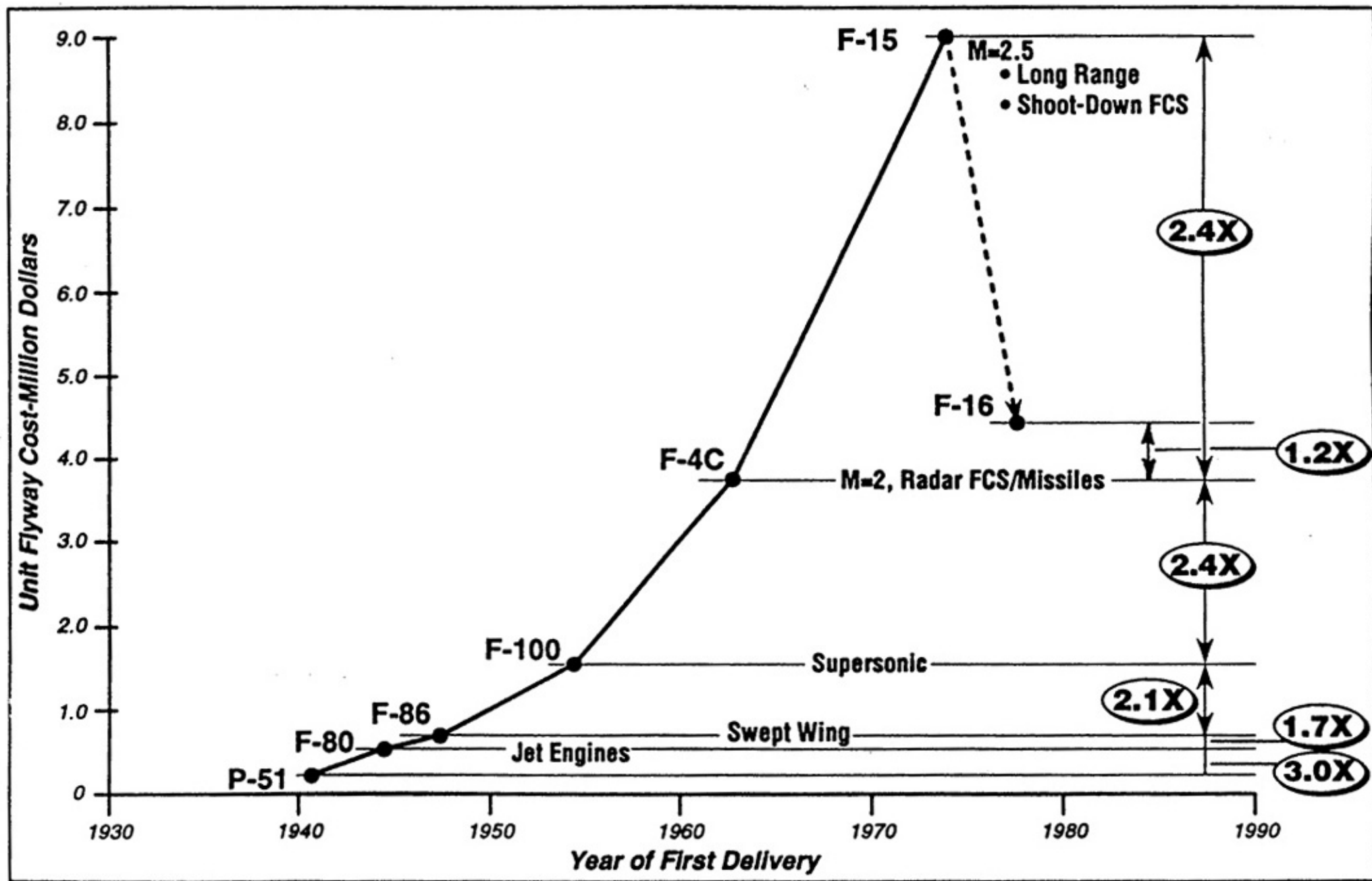


NOW:

Fixed Budget (Dollars)  ***Cost Sensitive***

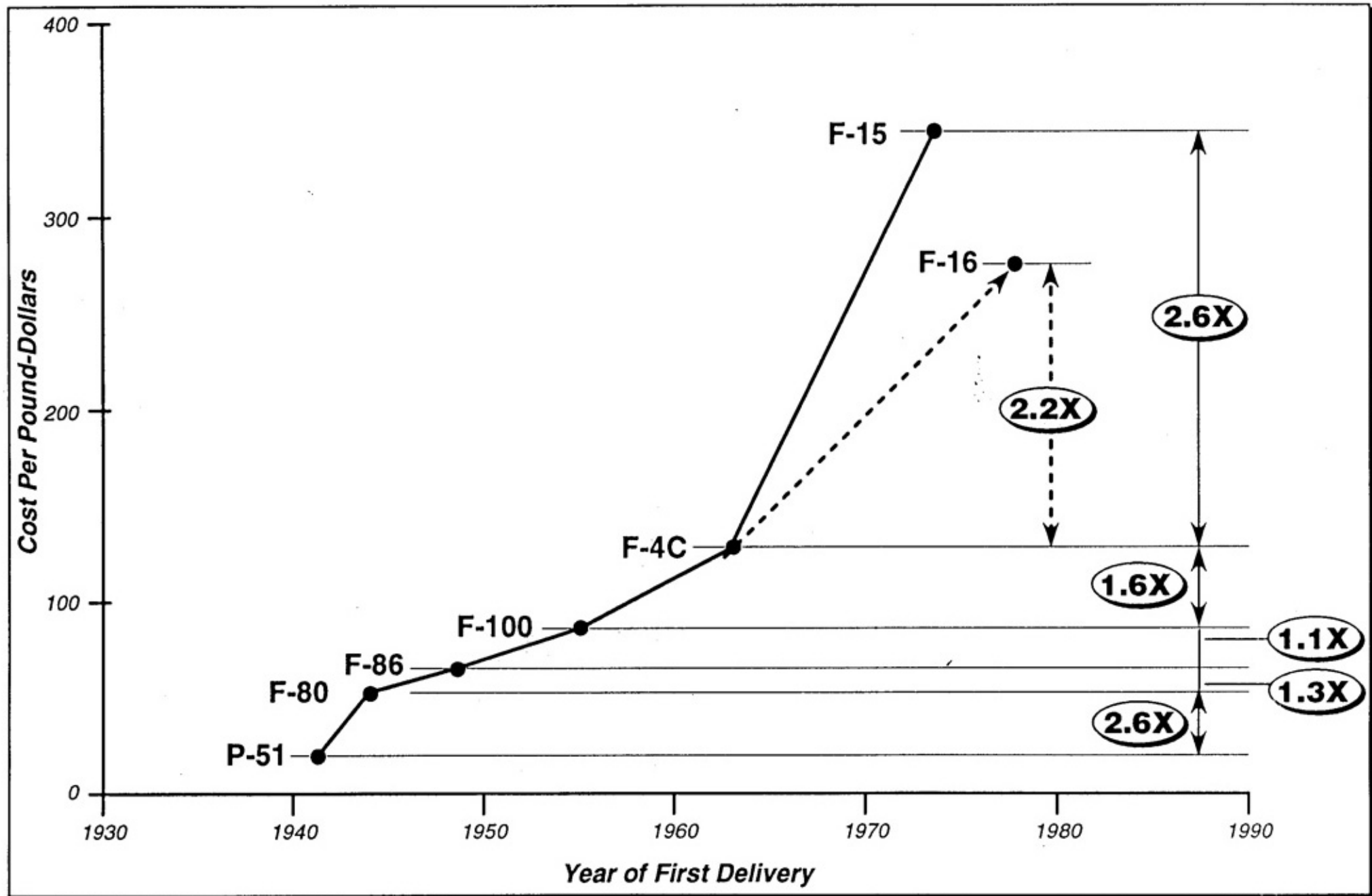
Unit Flyaway Cost Growth

• 1975 DOLLARS • 500 AIRCRAFT



Cost Per Pound Growth

• 1975 DOLLARS • 500 AIRCRAFT

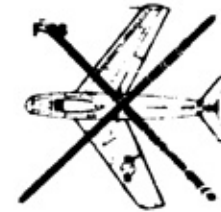
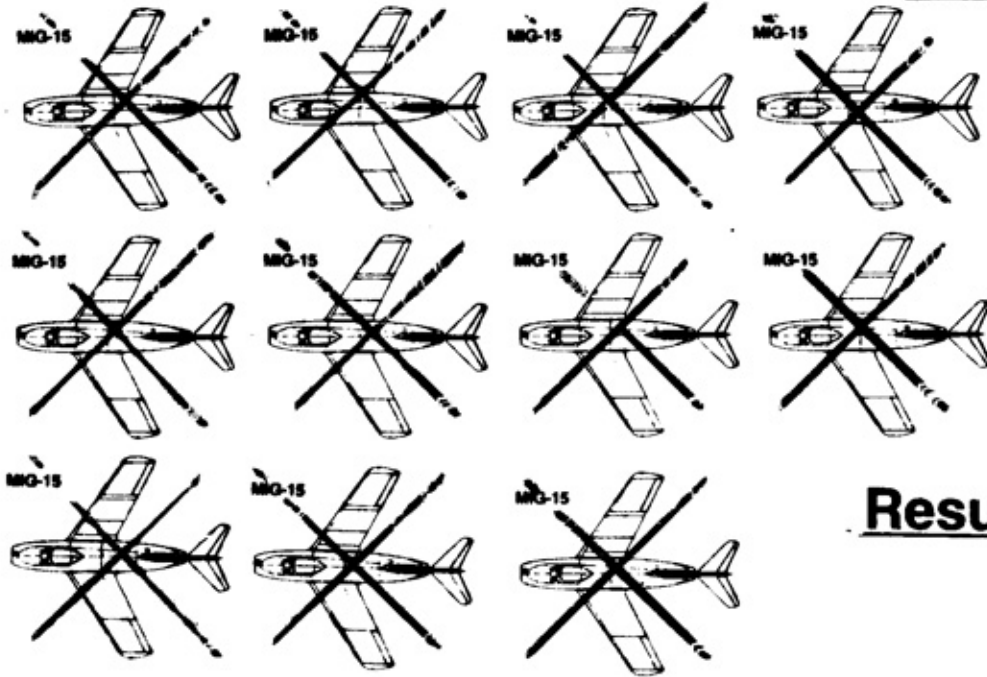


U.S. FIGHTERS LOST COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS

They Lost

KOREAN WAR

We Lost

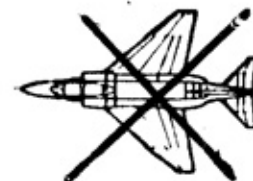
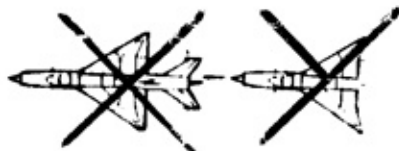


Result: For Every F-86 They Shot Down,
We Shot Down 11 Mig-15s

They Lost

VIET NAM

We Lost



Result: For Every F-4 They Shot Down,
We Shot Down Only 1.6 Mig-21s

LIGHTWEIGHT FIGHTER CONTROVERSY

- **Advocates** (*"Fighter Mafia"*)

- **TOO MUCH SOPHISTICATION/HIGHTECHNOLOGY:**
 - + Degrades Useful Capabilities and Reliability
 - + Costs Too Much
- **FAVORED QUANTITY (Numbers) OVER QUALITY**

- **Detractors**

- **SOPHISTICATION/HIGH TECHNOLOGY NEEDED TO COUNTER NUMERICAL ADVANTAGE OF THREAT**
- **FAVORED QUALITY OVER QUANTITY (Numbers)**

LIGHTWEIGHT FIGHTER ISSUES

- **SIZE: "TOO SMALL"**

- + "Can't Carry Anything, Can't GO Anywhere."
- + "Good Only For Hotdog Air Shows At County Fairs On Sunny Summer Afternoons."
- + Bitter, Caustic Attacks....Much Acrimony.

- **1 vs. 2 ENGINES:**

- + Highly Emotional And Biased.
- + Safety/Survival Perception.

AIR COMBAT ANALYSIS

- Initial "Fighter Mafia" Effort: **Understand The Problem**
 - + Define and Analyze Every Element Of Air Combat.
 - + What Are Key Elements and Their Sensitivities?
 - + Which Have Most Leverage?
 - + What Are Interactions?
 - + What Parameters Best Define Air Combat Capabilities?
 - + What Are Critical Pilot-Airframe Interfaces?

LIGHTWEIGHT FIGHTER BASIS

- **KEY AIR COMBAT PARAMETERS....**

- (1) The Pilot Must First Observe and Interpret the Situation.
- (2) Become Oriented to the Condition and Intensity of the Situation.
- (3) Make a Decision on What Response to Make.
- (4) Put That Response into Action.

"OODA LOOP"



"FAST TRANSIENTS" CONCEPT

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- OPERATE AT A ***FASTER TEMPO*** THAN ADVERSARY
 - + To Generate ***Rapidly Changing*** Conditions...
 - + To ***Inhibit*** His Capacity...
 - + To ***Adapt or React*** to Those Changes...
 - + And ***Suppress or Distort*** His Awareness
- INDUCE A "HODGE PODGE" OF ***CONFUSION AND DISORDER***
 - + To Cause Him to ***Over, or Under React...***
 - + To Conditions or Activities That Appear To Be ***Uncertain, Ambiguous or Incomprehensible***




***Maintain High Energy State and Rate of Change
Exceptional Situation Awareness***

MANEUVERABILITY SUMMARY



- **"FAST TRANSIENTS"**  **"FAST" IN TERMS OF TIME, NOT NOT NECESSARILY SPEED.**



- **HIGH ENERGY STATE and RATE OF CHANGE**  **AGILITY.**
 - **Low Drag at All Flight Conditions.**
 - **High Thrust.**
 - **Responsive Control.**

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

- **OLD PARAMETERS OBSOLETE**

- **SUSTAINED TURN RATE**  **W/S Dominant**
- **MAXIMUM SPEED (V_{\max})**  **T/W Dominant**

- **RELEVANT PARAMETERS**

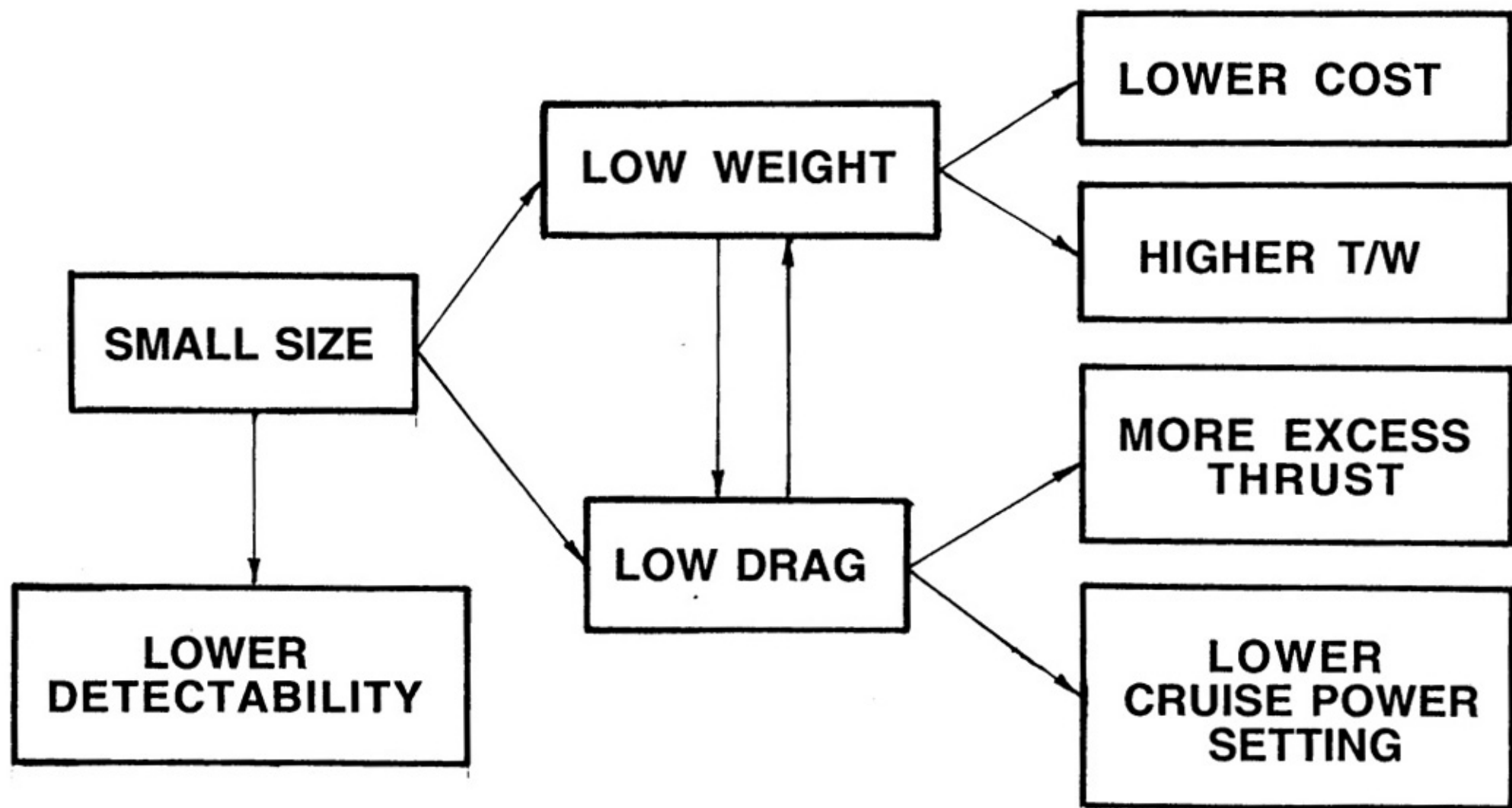
- **INSTANTANEOUS TURN RATE**

- *Lift*
- *Pitch Rate*
- *Moments of Inertia*
- *Control Inputs*
- *Roll/Yaw Rate*
- *Mass Ratios*
- *Damping*

- **ACCELERATION**

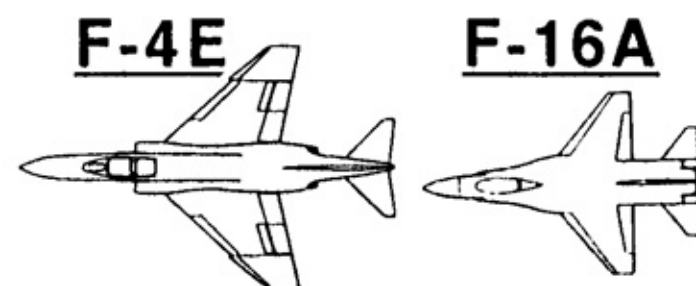
- *Excess Thrust*

SIZE and WEIGHT DOMINATE



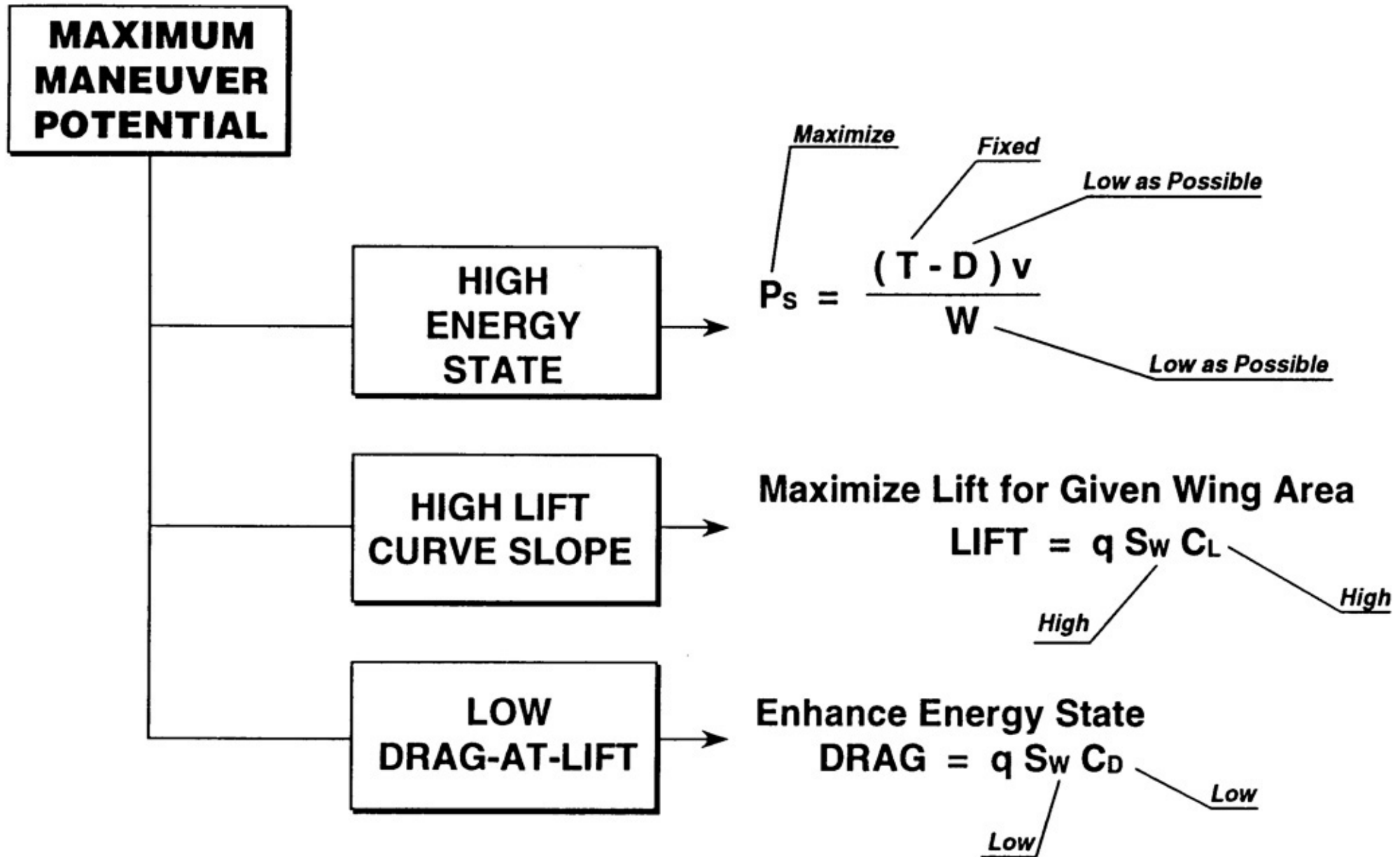
• *SIZE and WEIGHT HAVE INTERACTIVE BENEFITS*

IMPACT OF SMALL SIZE



WETTED AREA		2063	1405	68%
CRUISE	Drag (lb) (lb/sq ft A_W)	5023 (2.43)	2514 (1.13)	50% (47%)
	Fuel Flow (lb/hr)	5488	1588	29%
COMBAT 5g @ M=.9/30K	Drag (lb)	74,446	14,676	20%
	Specific Energy Loss (fps)	-1243	-138	11%
	Fuel Flow (lb/hr)	42,180	25,780	61%

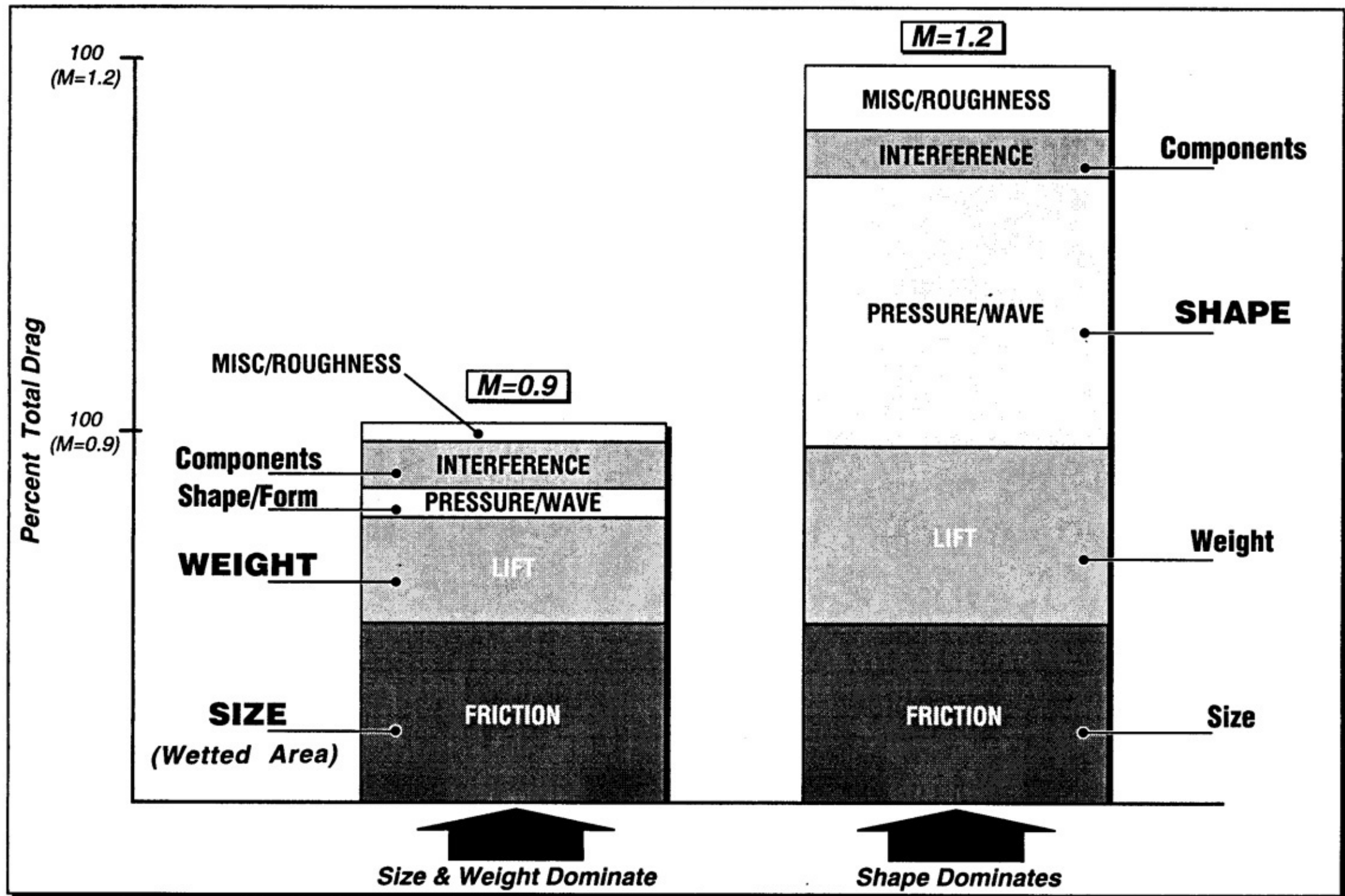
Key Maneuver Parameters



P_s = Specific Excess Power

Aerodynamic Drag Elements

CLEAN AIRPLANE



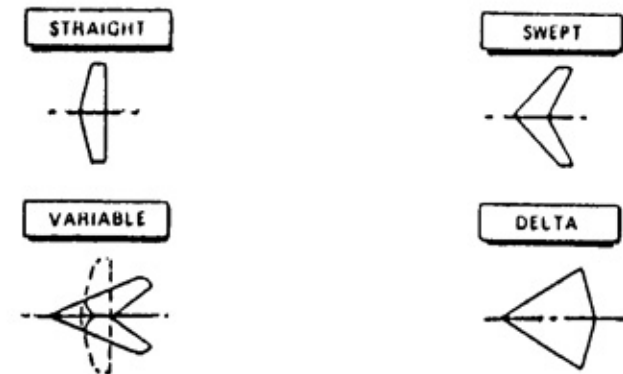
BASIC AIR-TO-AIR NEEDS

- **Enough:**
 - **Lift to maneuver to an advantage.**
 - **Precise, Responsive Control to manage the lift.**
 - **Strength to preserve that lift.**
 - **"G" Tolerance to be effective at that lift.**
 - **Energy to sustain the advantage.**
 - **Visibility to assess that advantage.**
- **Plus, the sensors, displays, controls, and weapons to convert the advantage into a "win."**

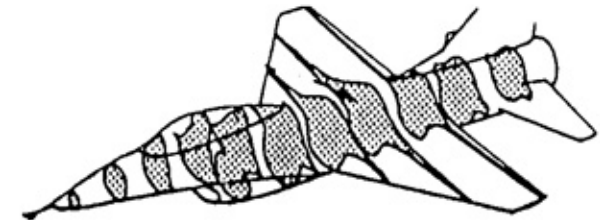
LIFT GENERATION ELEMENTS...

- **WING PLANFORM:**

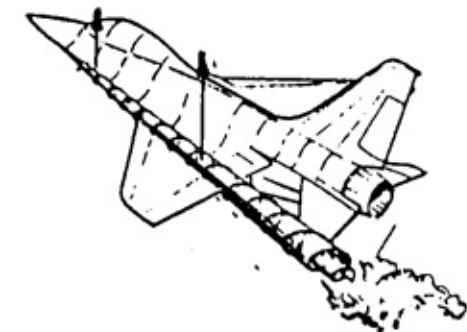
- Area
- Aspect Ratio (Span), Sweep, Taper Ratio
- Airfoil Section: Camber and Thickness



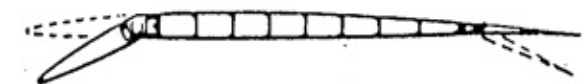
- **BODY:**



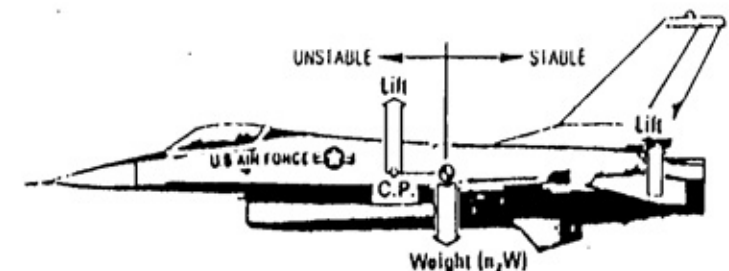
- **VORTEX INDUCED:**



- **VARIABLE WING CAMBER:**



- **LIFTING HORIZONTAL TAIL:**



KEY MANEUVERABILITY PARAMETERS

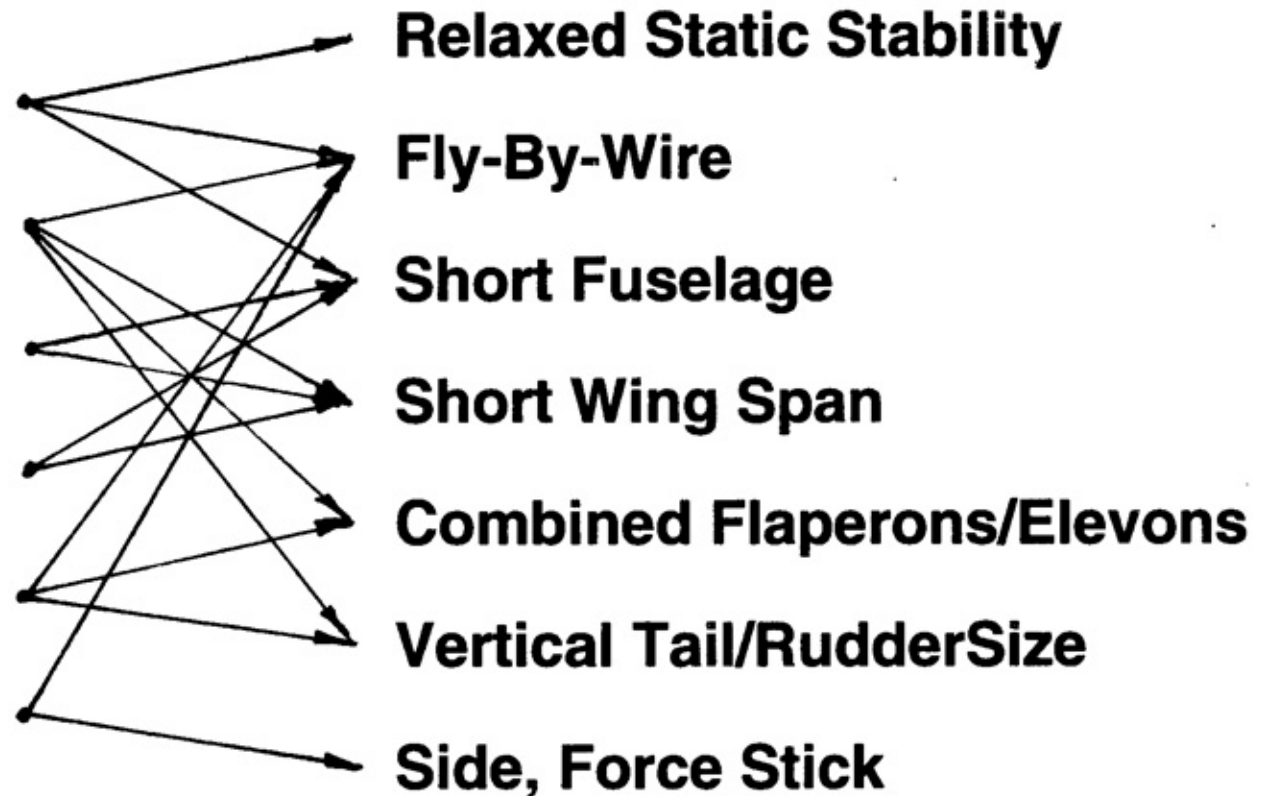
- **WING LOADING (W/S) AND THRUST LOADING (T/W) USED ONLY AS NOTIONAL MEASURES OF MANEUVERABILITY.**
- **THESE PARAMETERS WERE ANALYZED TO DEFINE MAXIMUM USABLE MANEUVERABILITY.....**
 - **Longitudinal instability or uncontrolled oscillations.**
 - **Lateral/directional divergence.**
 - **Spin divergence.**
 - **Buffet on-set.**
 - **Roll/pitch rate & time-to-bank/pitch.**
 - **Stick forces.**
 - **Engine stall margin/pressure recovery at angle-of-attack.**
 - **Engine spool-up time.**

PRECISE, RESPONSIVE CONTROL...

• **Function of:**

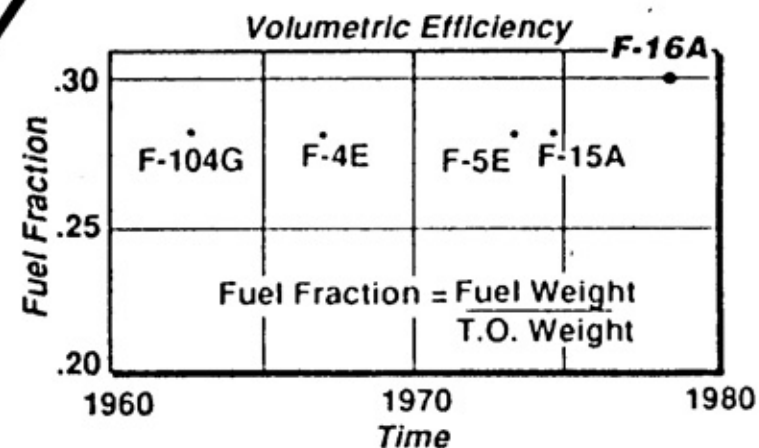
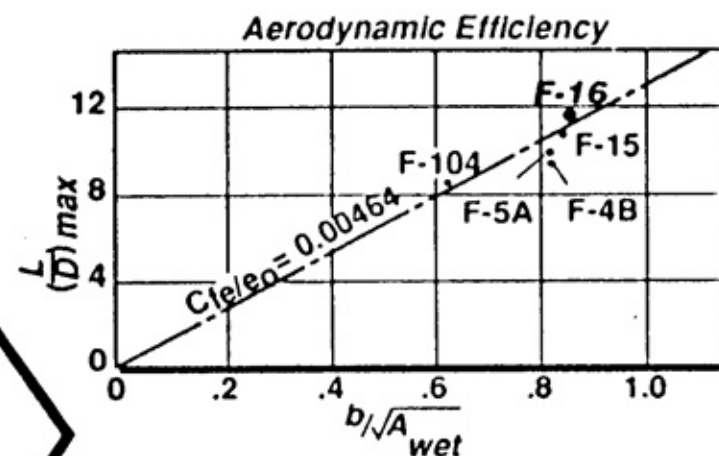
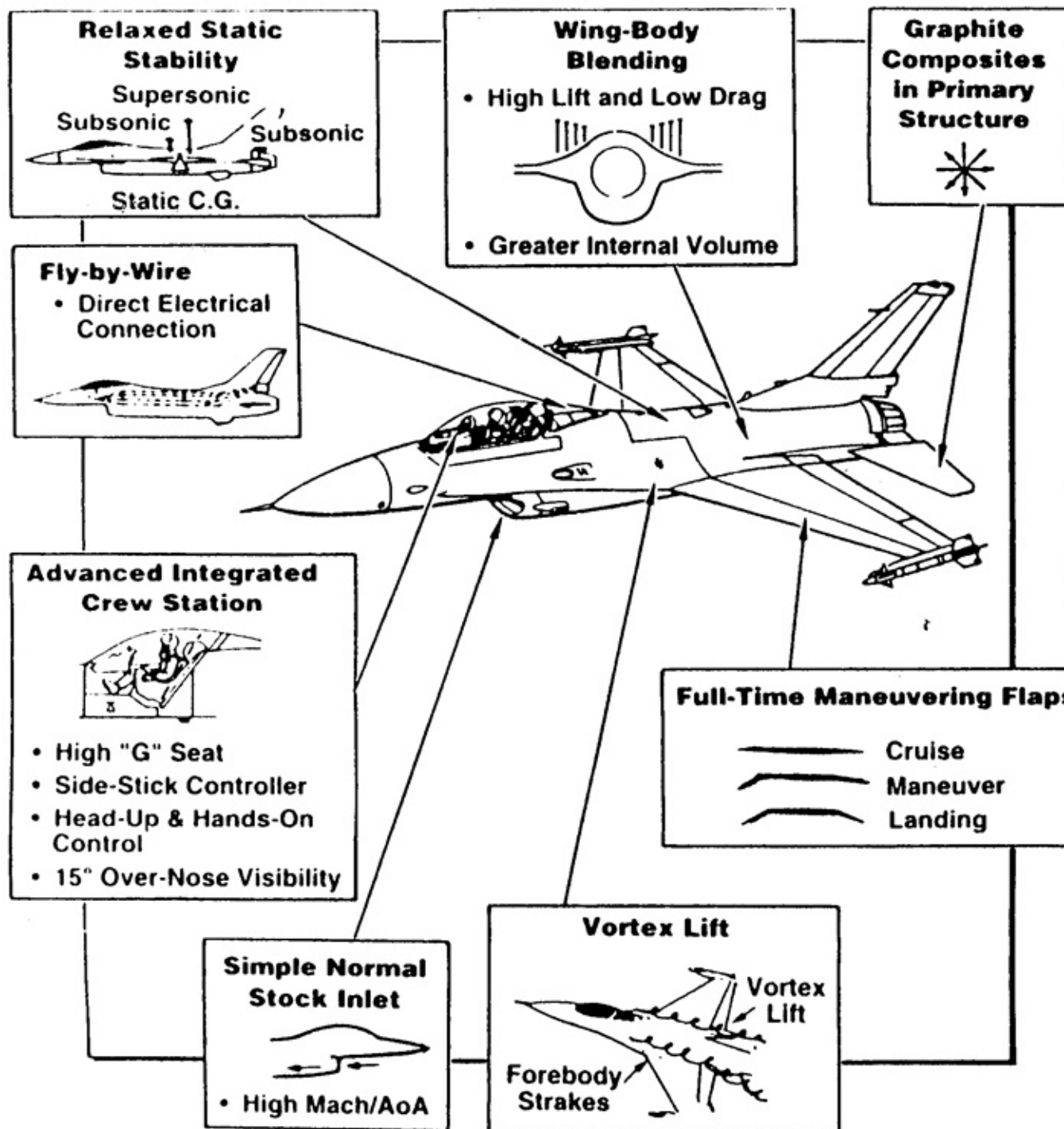
- Pitch Rate
- Roll/Yaw Rate
- Moments Of Inertia
- Mass Ratio
- Damping
- Control Inputs

Resulting form:



- **Key Agiliy Factor:** e.g. Time-to bank parameter more important than roll rate.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES APPLIED



ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY BENEFITS

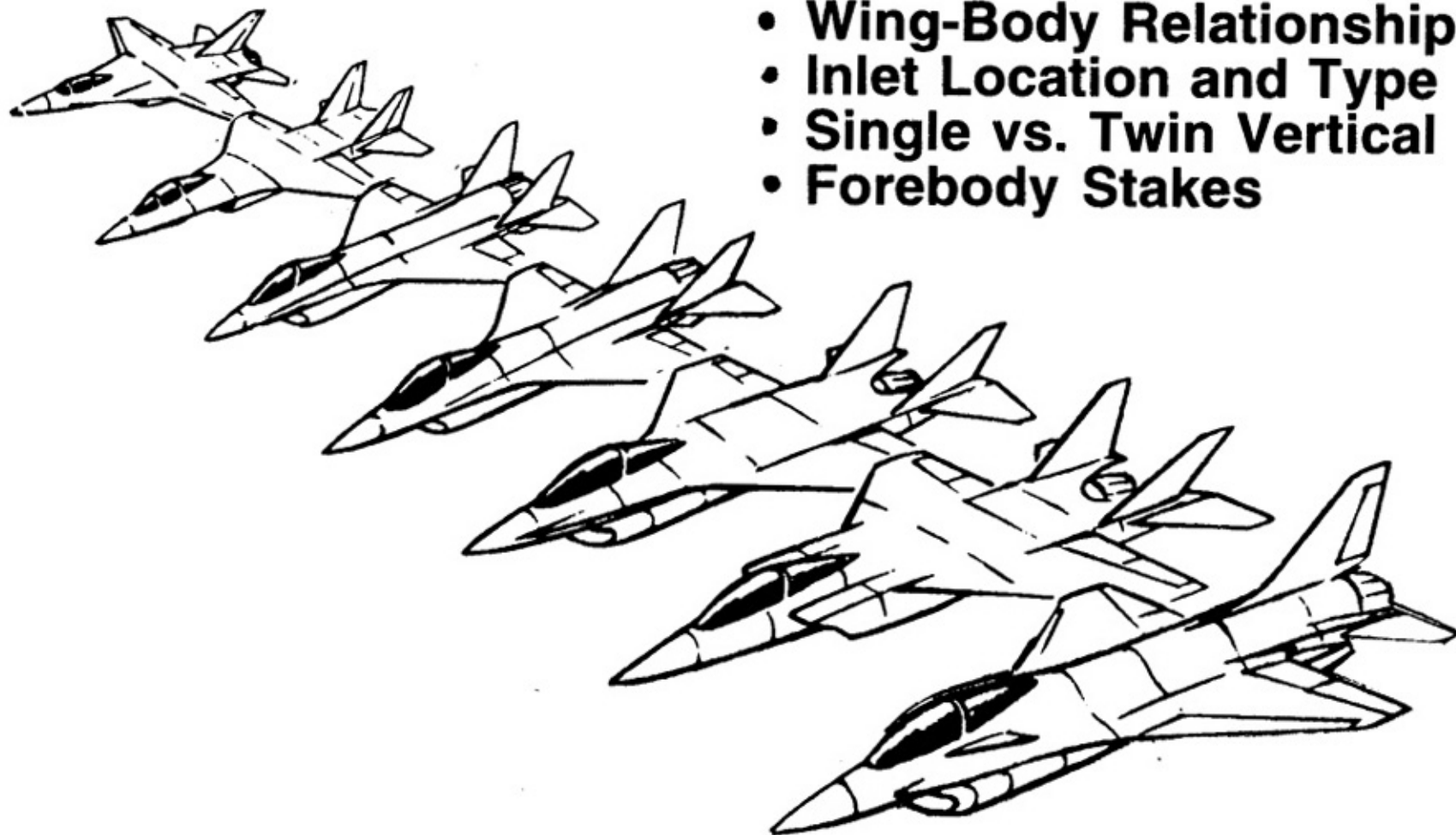
- **ADVANCED AIRFRAME TECHNOLOGIES AS APPLIED TO YF-16 RESULTED IN:**
 - **Higher Maximum Usable Maneuverability**
 - **Lower Drag ► Higher Specific Range**
 - **Higher Fuel Fraction**
 - **Lower Weight ► More Affordable Cost**
- **INTEGRATION REDUCED THE MISSION DESIGN GROSS WEIGHT BY 7280 LBS. *Not Including 1 vs. 2 Engine Weight Difference***
- **YF-16 AIRFRAME TECHNOLOGIES HAVE SUSTAINED CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS AND MOST ARE BEING DUPLICATED IN TODAY'S FIGHTERS**

CONFIGURATION ANALYSIS

- **PRELIMINARY CONFIGURATION DEFINITION**

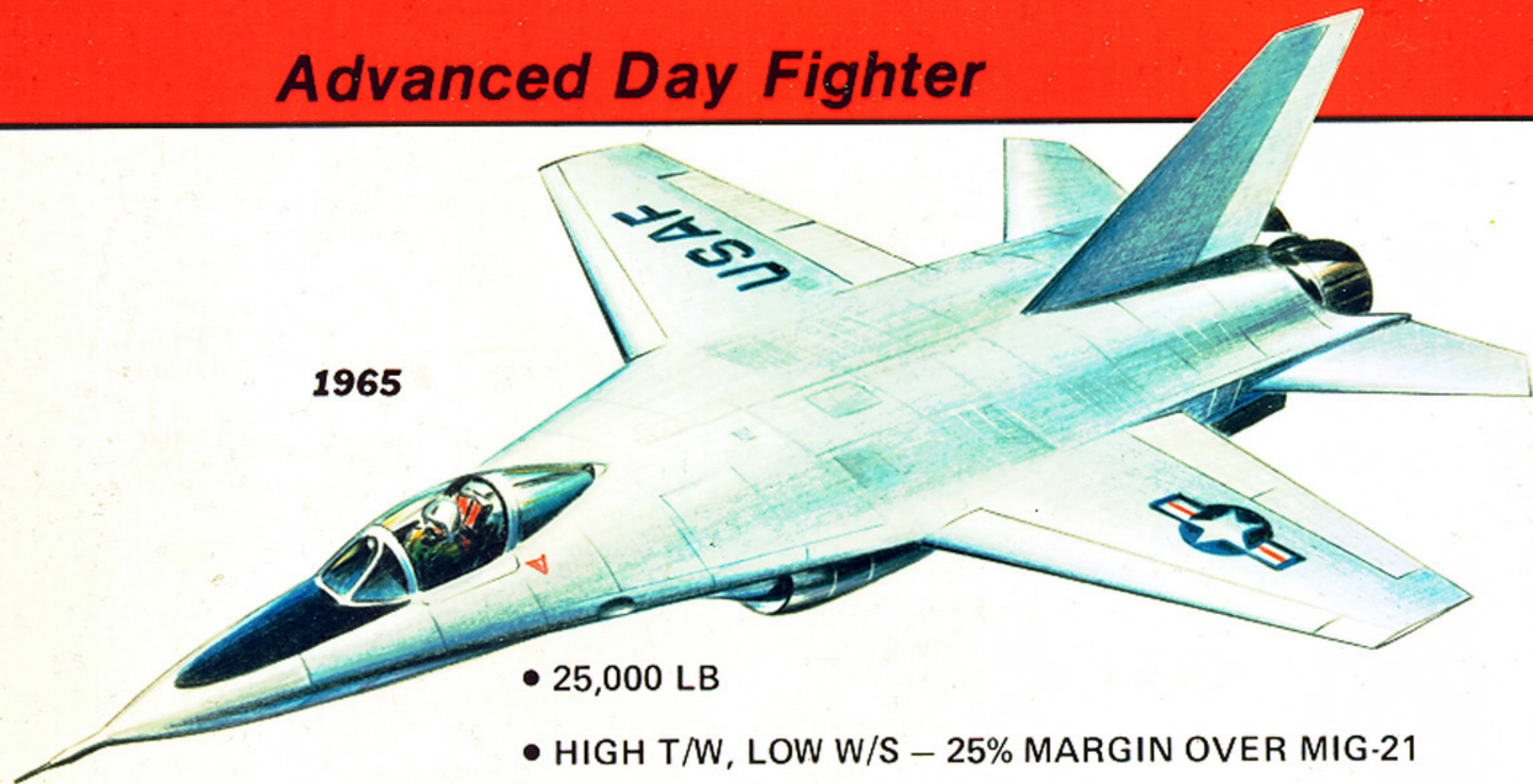
- **EXPERIMENTAL DATA (WIND TUNNEL) BASED.**
- **78 COMBINATIONS OF VARIABLES.**

- **Wing Planform**
- **Airfoil Section - Fixed and Variable**
- **Wing-Body Relationship**
- **Inlet Location and Type**
- **Single vs. Twin Vertical Tail**
- **Forebody Stakes**



Advanced Day Fighter

1965



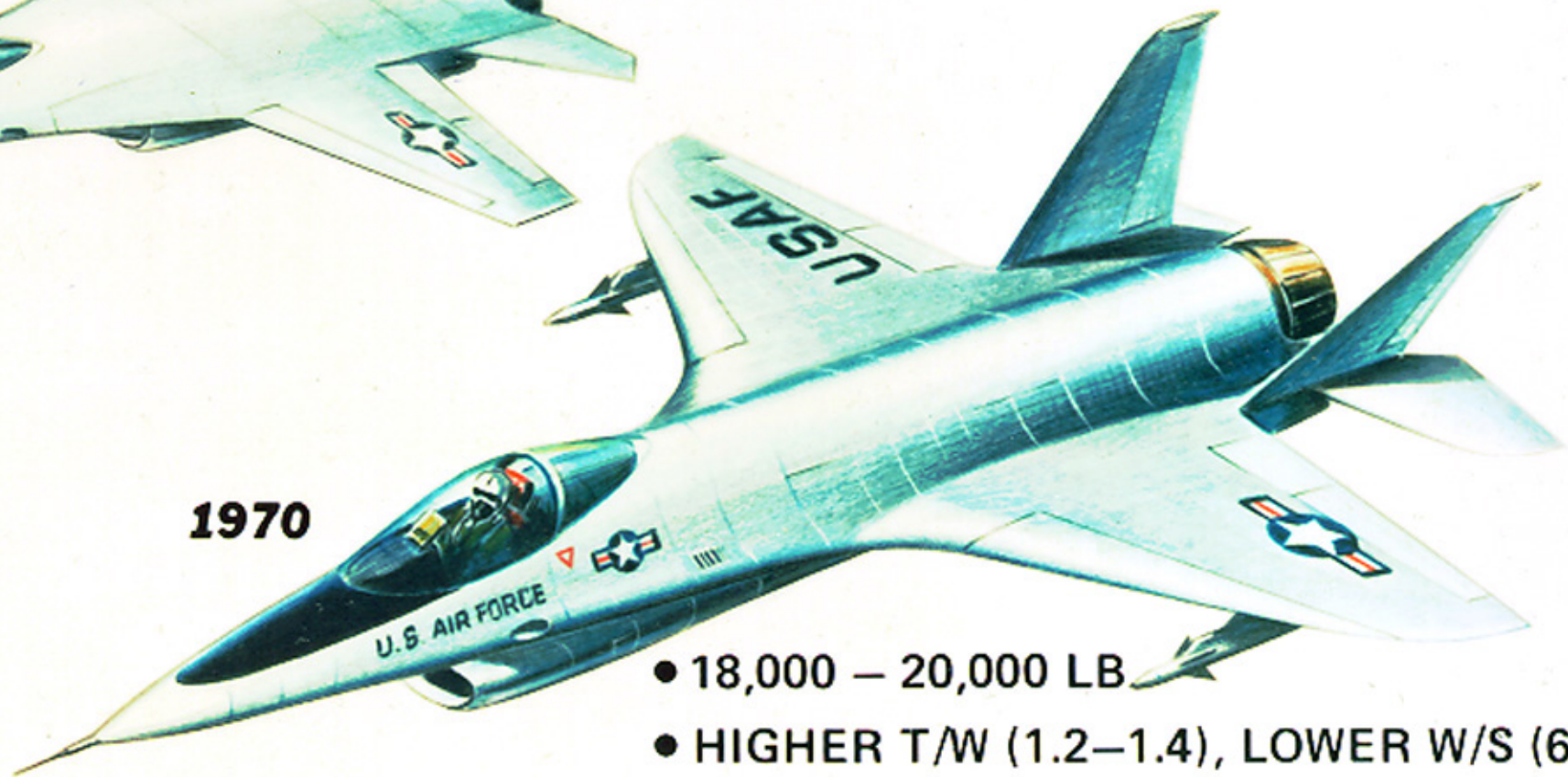
- 25,000 LB
- HIGH T/W, LOW W/S – 25% MARGIN OVER MIG-21
- FOXBAT DISCLOSURE PRECIPITATED ALL-WEATHER, HIGH SPEED EMPHASIS

Lightweight Fighter

ADF 1965



1970



































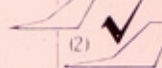








- 18,000 – 20,000 LB
- HIGHER T/W (1.2–1.4), LOWER W/S (60).
- MINIMUM AVIONICS

LWF Force Models Tested

• 78 Significant Variations

• $M=.2-2.2$ • $\alpha=28^\circ$ • $\beta=12^\circ$

	Configurations Tested	Λ_{LE}	WINGS		AIRFOIL (S)	INLETS		VERTICAL TAILS		VORTEX LIFT (Forebody Strakes)	WIND TUNNEL TEST HOURS
			FIXED CAMBER	VARIABLE CAMBER		SIDE	BOTTOM	TWIN	SINGLE		
Conventional Forebody	785 	40°	✓		64A205 & 64A403.5		✓ 		✓	✓ 	48
		35°	✓		64004.9 & 64043.5		✓ 		✓		20
	786  TWIN TAIL 785	40°		✓	64A205 & 64A403.5		✓ 	✓		✓ 	48
Wing/Forebody Shaping	401F-0 	35°		✓	4% BICONVEX		✓ 	✓		✓ 	187
		40°	✓		64A204		✓ 	✓		✓ 	
	401F-2 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 	✓	✓	✓ 	91
		35°		✓	64004.9 & 64043.5			✓			
	401F-3  FERRI INLET	40°		✓	64A204			✓			20
	401F-4  HIGH WING	40°		✓	64A204			✓	✓	✓ 	39
	401FS 	40°		✓	64A204	✓ 		✓			29
	401F-5 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 	(3) HORIZ TAIL POSITIONS 	✓	✓ 	130
	401F-5A 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 		✓	✓ 	30
	401F-10 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 		✓	✓ 	30
	401F-10A 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 		✓	✓ 	32
	401F-16 	40°		✓	64A204				✓ 	✓ 	442
		45°	✓	✓	CONICAL CAMBER 64A(X)5.9/64A203		✓ 				
	401F-16E 	40°		✓	64A204		✓ 		✓ 	✓ 	126

Wing Moved Forward 14 inches

TOTAL WIND TUNNEL HOURS 1272

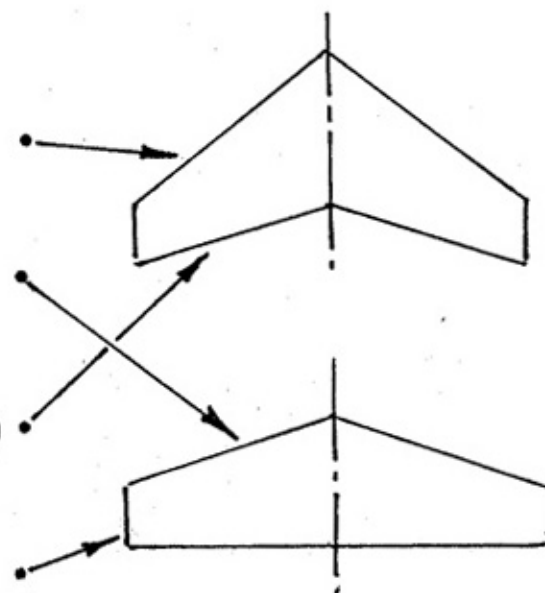
COMBAT RULES IMPACT ON WING GEOMETRY

Priority

Condition

Shape Effect

- ① Mach 1.2 Turns (30,000 ft.)
- ② Mach 0.9 Turns (30,000 ft.)
- ③ Acceleration ($M = .8 - 1.6$ at 30,000 ft.)
- ④ Maximum "g" at $M = .8$ at 40,000 ft.



• Variable Sweep.....Fixed Airfoil Camber - Variable Planform (F-111).



• Suggests Variable Geometry Wing.



• Variable Camber.....Fixed Planform - Variable Airfoil.

SIZE & ENGINE BASIS

DEFINE TRADE-OFFS OF WEIGHT AND PERFORMANCE

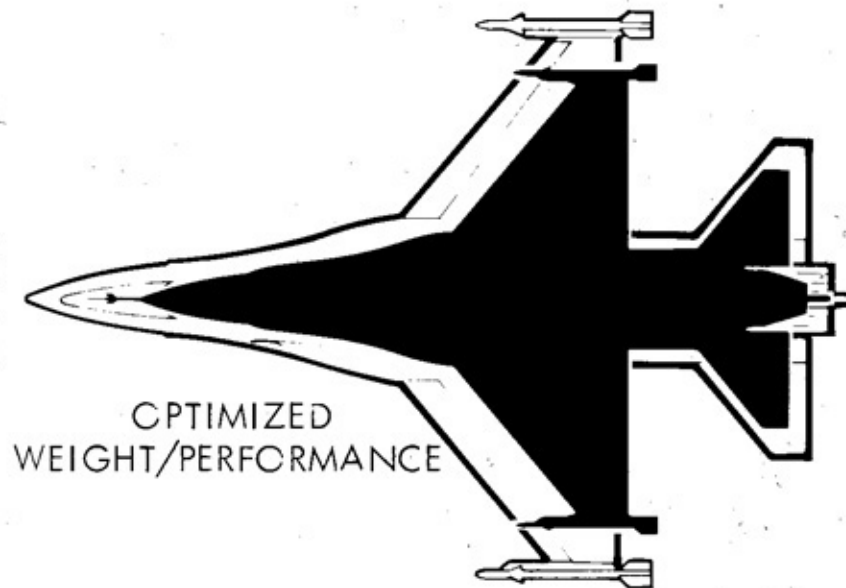
- BEST COMBAT PERFORMANCE
- LOWEST MISSION WEIGHT

DESIGN WEIGHT AND ENGINE

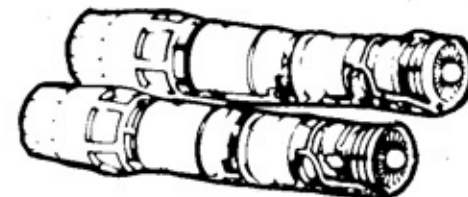


- SINGLE P&W ENGINE

17,050 LBS.



OPTIMIZED
WEIGHT/PERFORMANCE



- TWIN GE ENGINES

21,470 LBS.

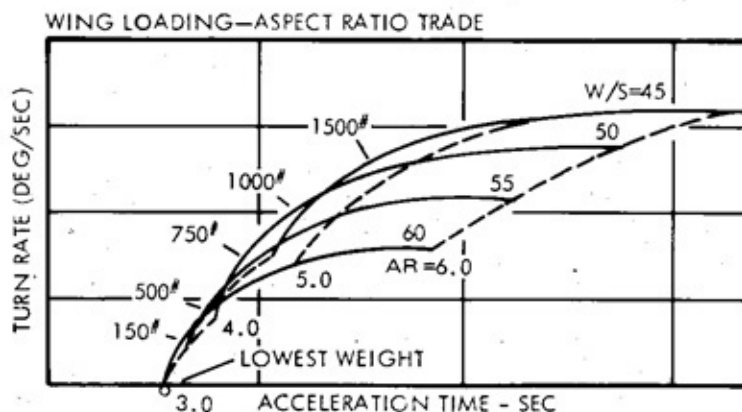
- SINGLE GE ENGINE



COULD NOT MEET
OBJECTIVE

WING GEOMETRY

WING LOADING
VS.
ASPECT RATIO
TRADE



BEST BALANCE
OF
TURN RATE
&
ACCELERATION

WING GEOMETRY DEFINITION

Best Balance of Turn Rate and Acceleration

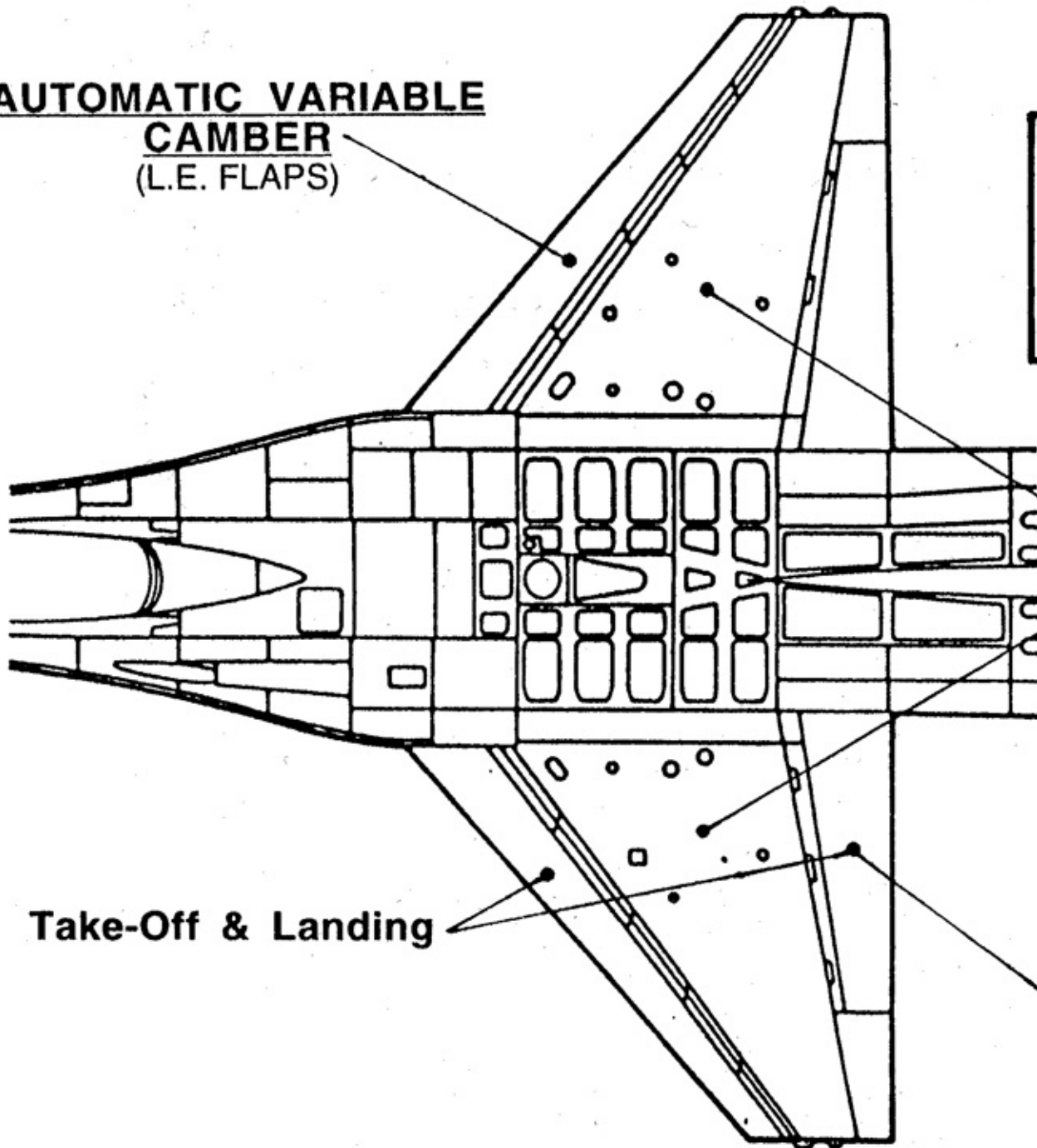
**AUTOMATIC VARIABLE
CAMBER**
(L.E. FLAPS)

- Wing Area ($W/S=60$) = 280 Sq. Ft.
- Aspect Ratio = 3.0
- L.E. Sweep = 40 Deg.
- Airfoil Thickness = 4 Percent

*Semi-Span Wing Modules
for
Alternate Wing Planform*

Take-Off & Landing

FLAPERON - Roll Control



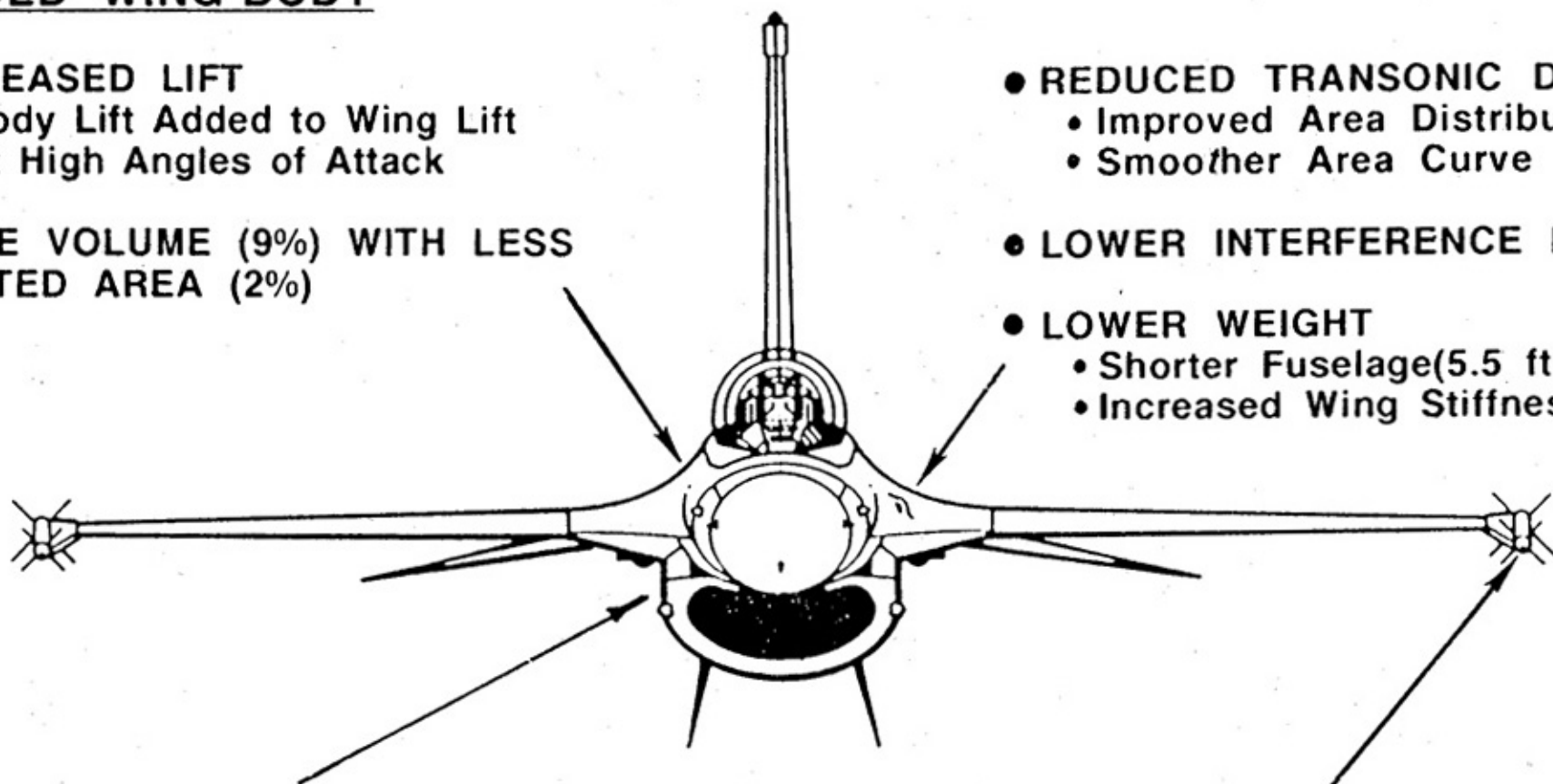
LIFT & DRAG FUNCTION

INCREASE LIFT, LOWER DRAG

BLENDED WING-BODY

- INCREASED LIFT
 - Body Lift Added to Wing Lift At High Angles of Attack
- MORE VOLUME (9%) WITH LESS WETTED AREA (2%)

- REDUCED TRANSONIC DRAG
 - Improved Area Distribution
 - Smoother Area Curve
- LOWER INTERFERENCE DRAG
- LOWER WEIGHT
 - Shorter Fuselage(5.5 ft.): -320 lb.
 - Increased Wing Stiffness: -250 lb.

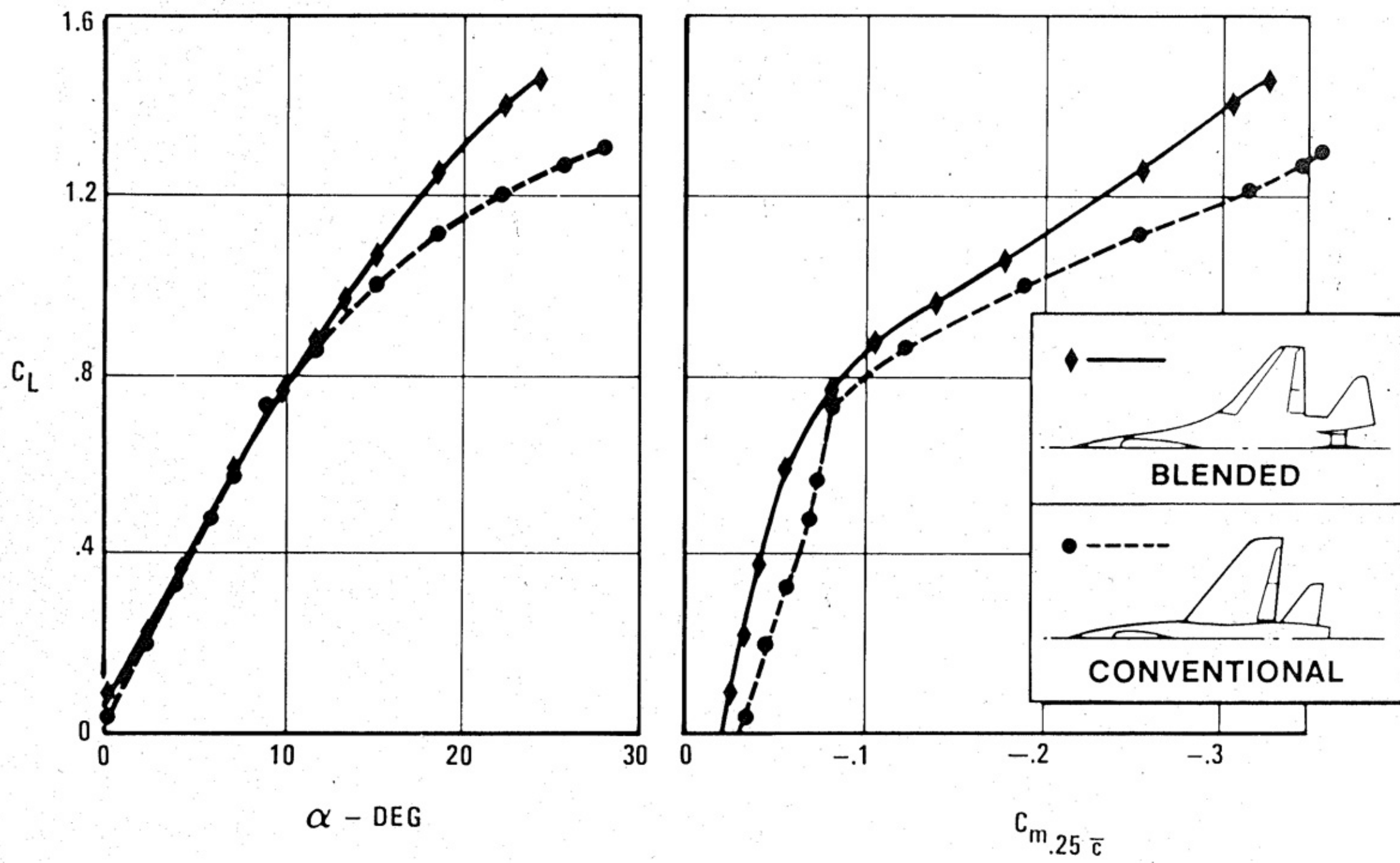


- LOWER PITCHING MOMENT
 - Vertical C.G. Closer To Thrust Line

TIP MOUNTED MISSILES

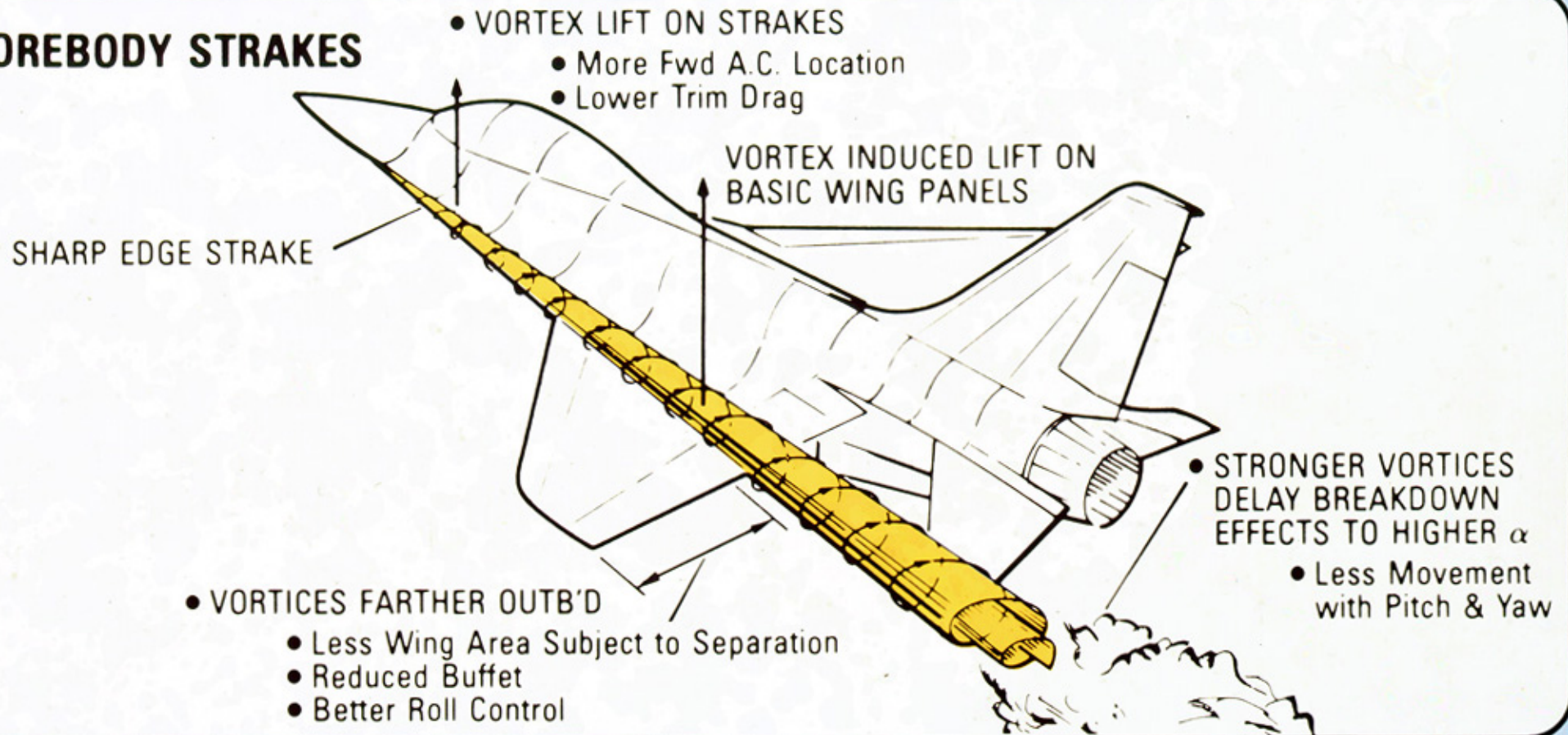
- LOWER DRAG
- CLEANER FLOW FIELD FOR LAUNCH

Blended Body Superior to Conventional Body at High Lift



Controlled Vortex Lift

FOREBODY STRAKES



- **HIGHER LIFT PER UNIT OF EXPOSED WING AREA**

- Effective W/S = 52 at M = .9 and 41 at M = 1.2 (Geom. = 60)
- Equivalent Wing would Weigh +490 lbs

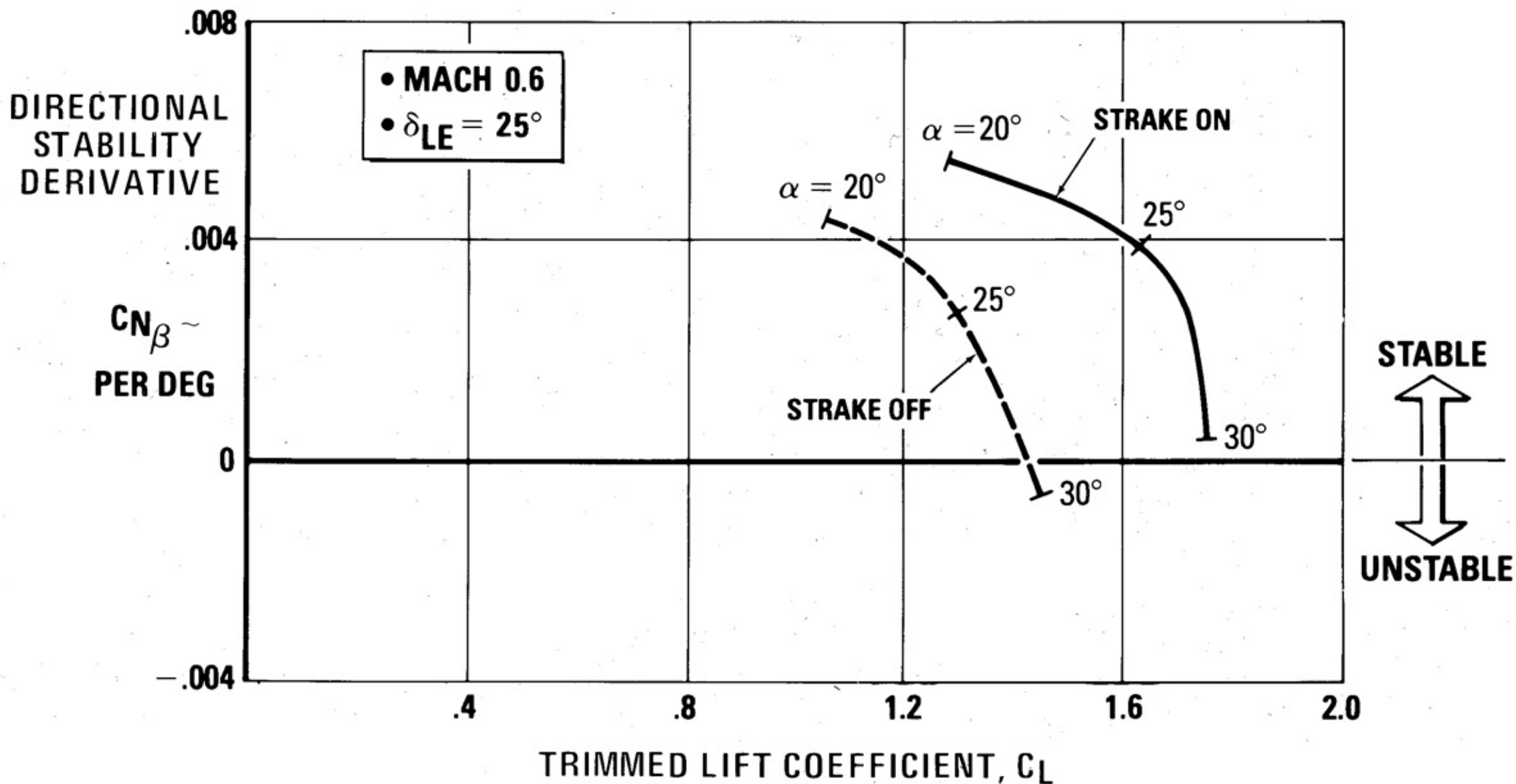
- **GREATLY IMPROVED DIRECTIONAL STABILITY**

- Statically Stable to High Angles-of-Attack

- **REDUCES TRIM DRAG**

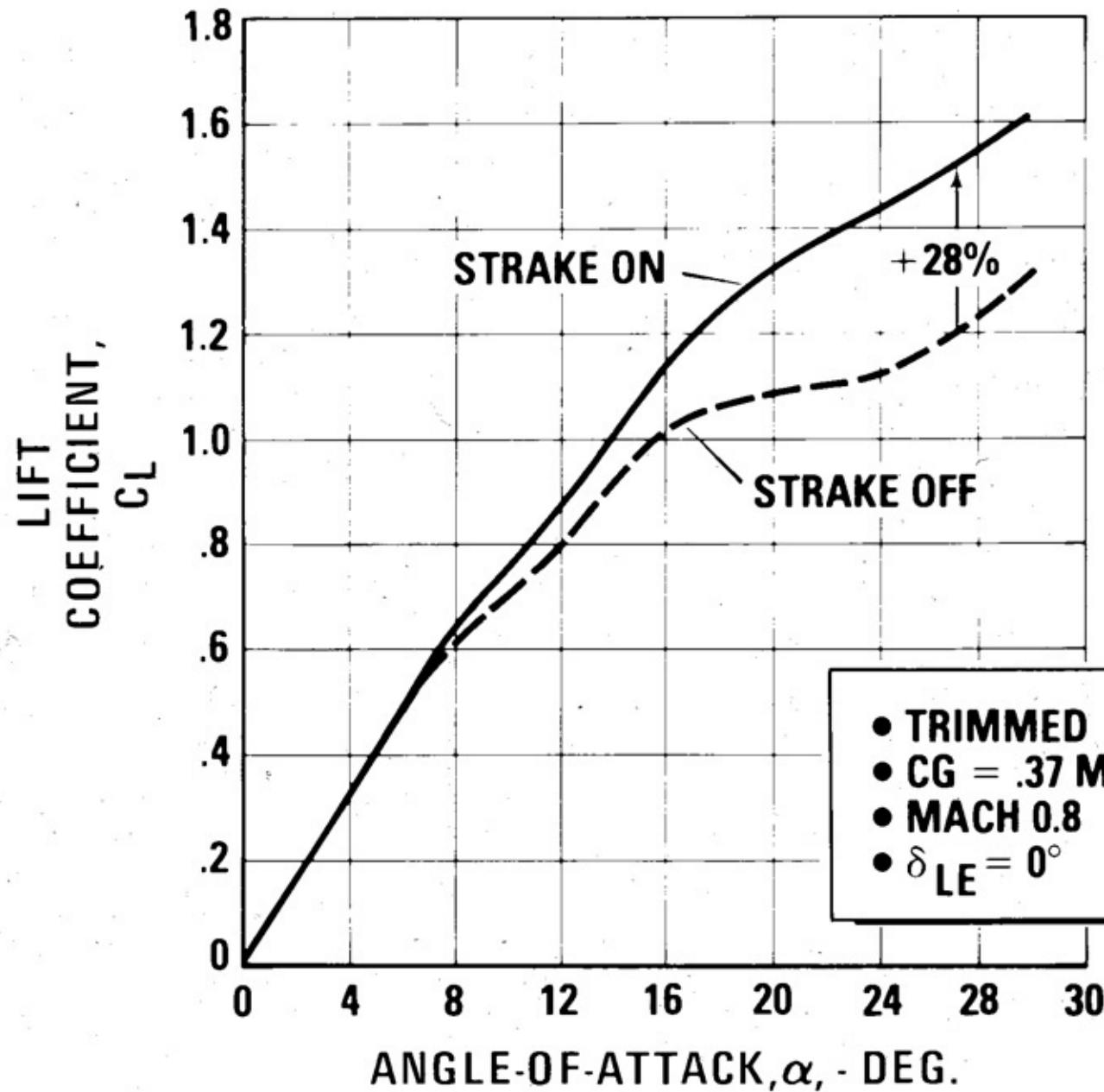
- Straightens Pitching Moment Curve

Strake Directional Stability Improvement

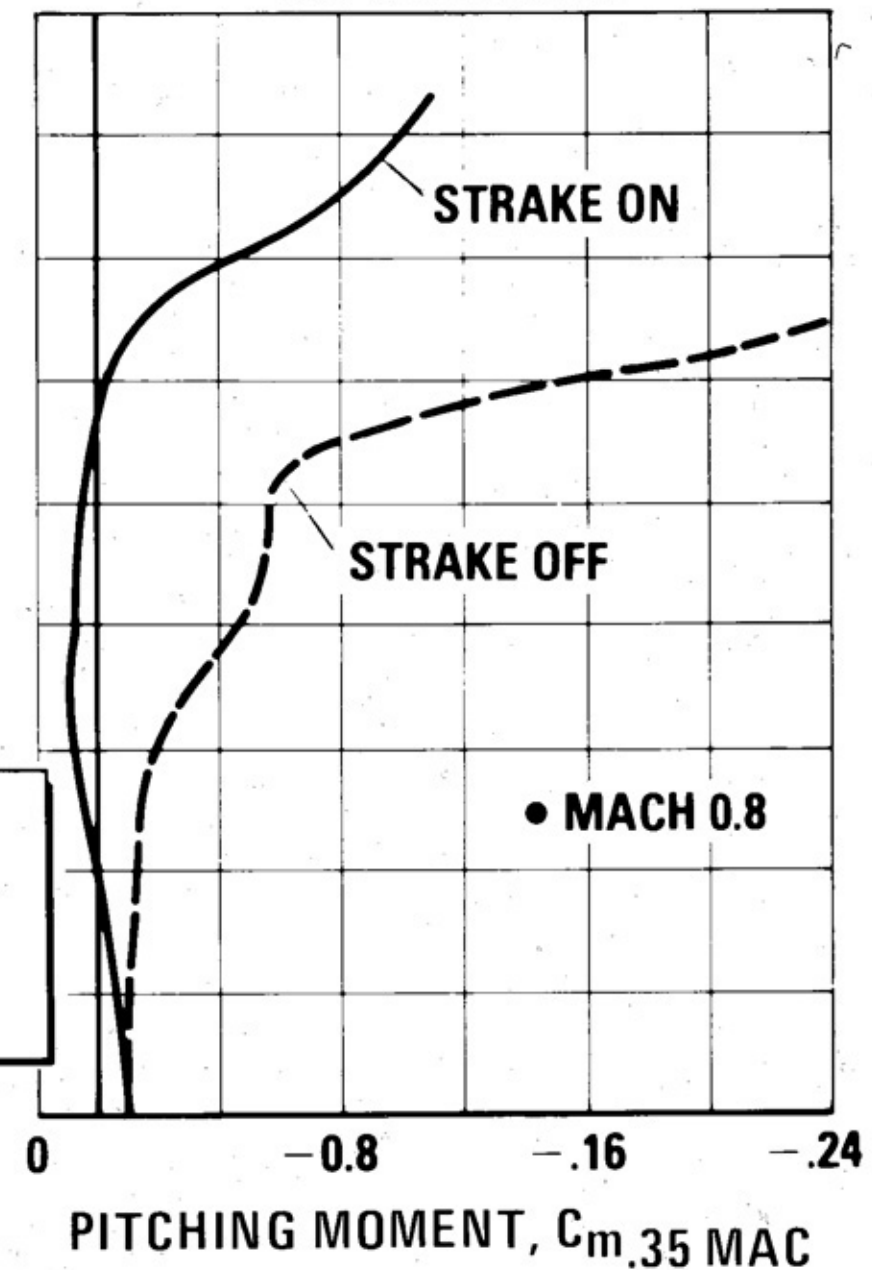


Vortex Lift/Strake Improvement

● STRAKE TOTAL USABLE LIFT IMPROVEMENT

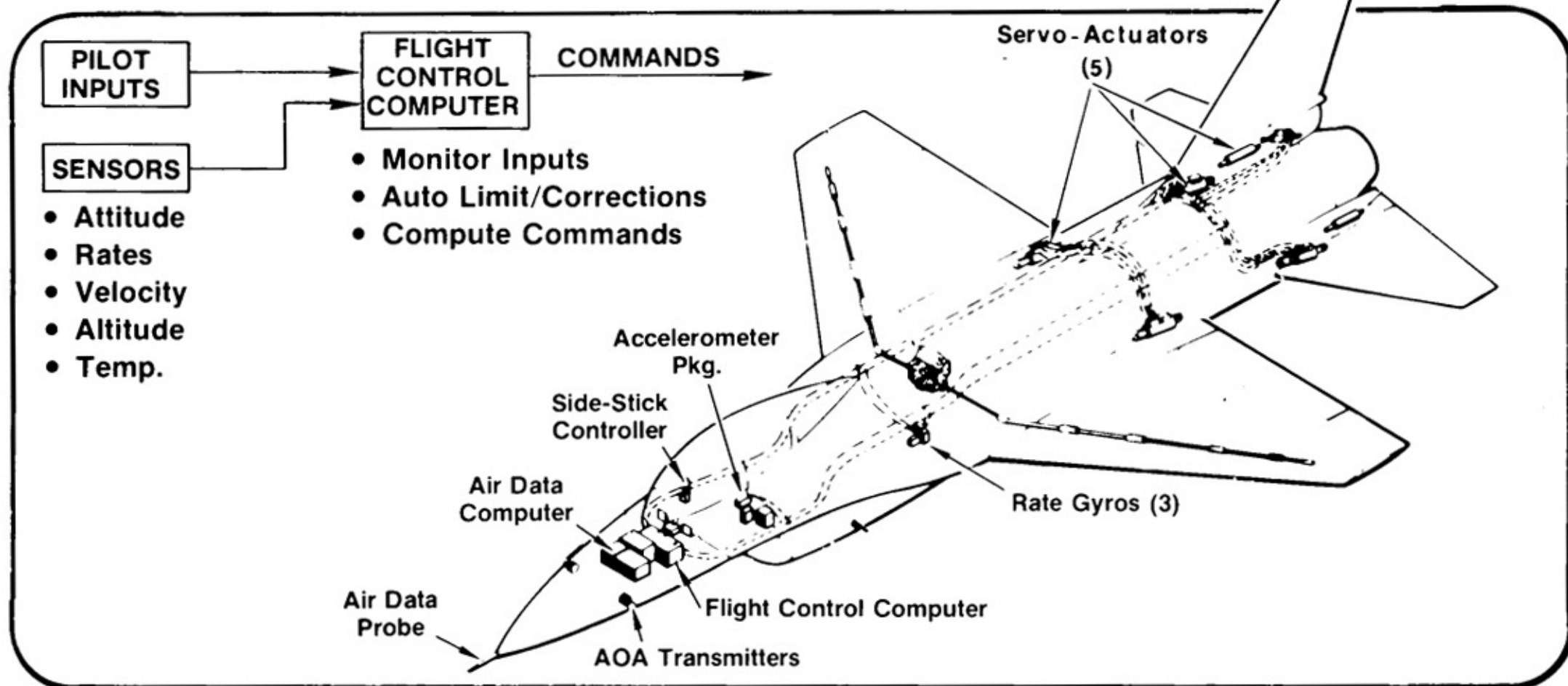


● STRAKE PITCHING-MOMENT IMPROVEMENT



Fly-By-Wire Flight Control

- **All-Electronic System (Quad Redundant)**



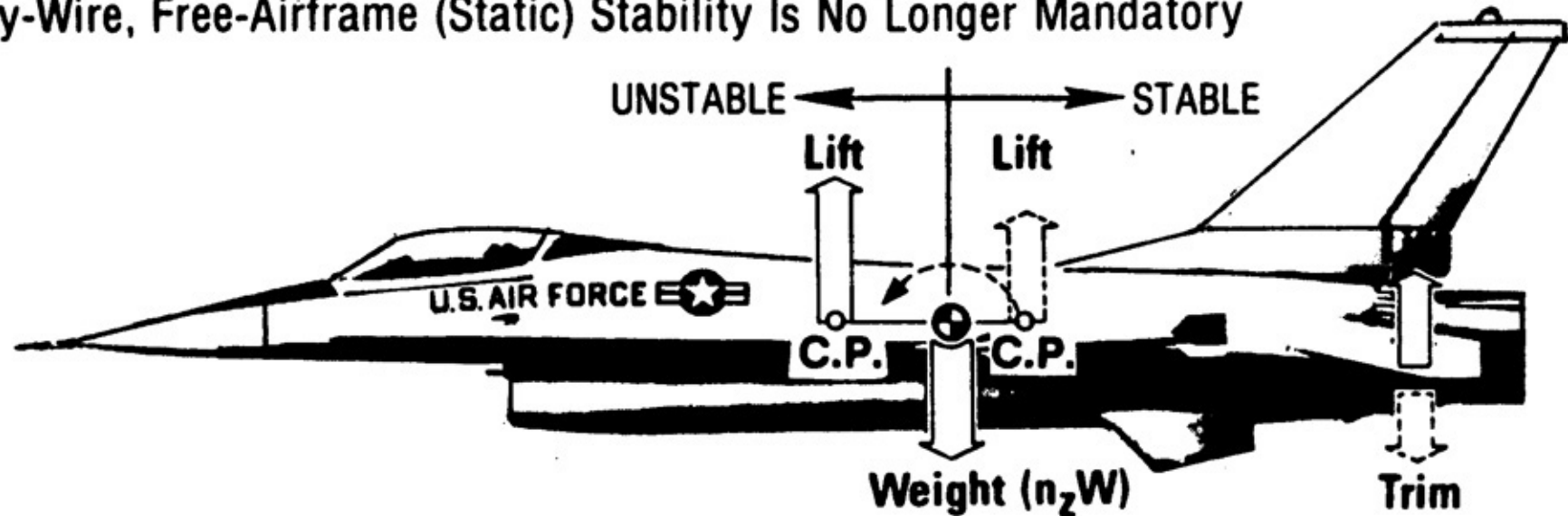
- **Better Kinematics (Reduced Lags & Overshoots) Provide:**

- Greatly Improved/Expanded Flying Qualities
- Significantly Improved Response & Precision for High Tracking Accuracy

- **Computer Commands Provide Same Response for Same Stick Force (Input)**
- **Stall/Spin Protection - Automatically Maintains Attitude Within Useful Limits**
- **Redundancy & Freedom of Routing Provide Improved Reliability (2½ Times) & Increased Survivability**

Relaxed Static Stability

- With Fly-by-Wire, Free-Airframe (Static) Stability Is No Longer Mandatory

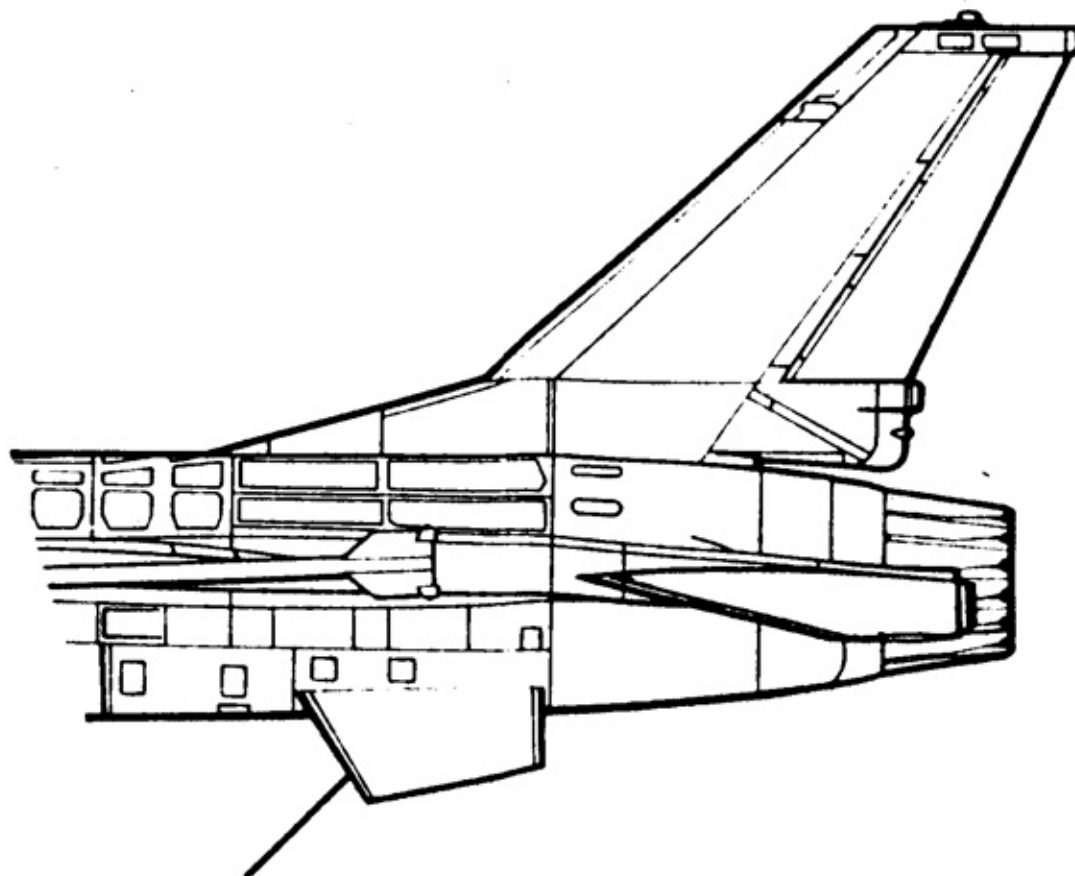


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- **New Approach to Configuration Design**
 - ✓ More Freedom to Achieve Maximum Balance of Performance and Flying Qualities
 - ✓ Smaller Control Surfaces
 - **More Responsive Maneuvering — Twice Conventional Configurations**
 - **Lower Mission Weight: — 500 lb**

DIRECTIONAL CONTROL FUNCTION

VERTICAL TAIL

- COMPOSITE SKINS-
 - Rigidity-High Effectiveness
- TAIL SIZED FOR RUDDER POWER

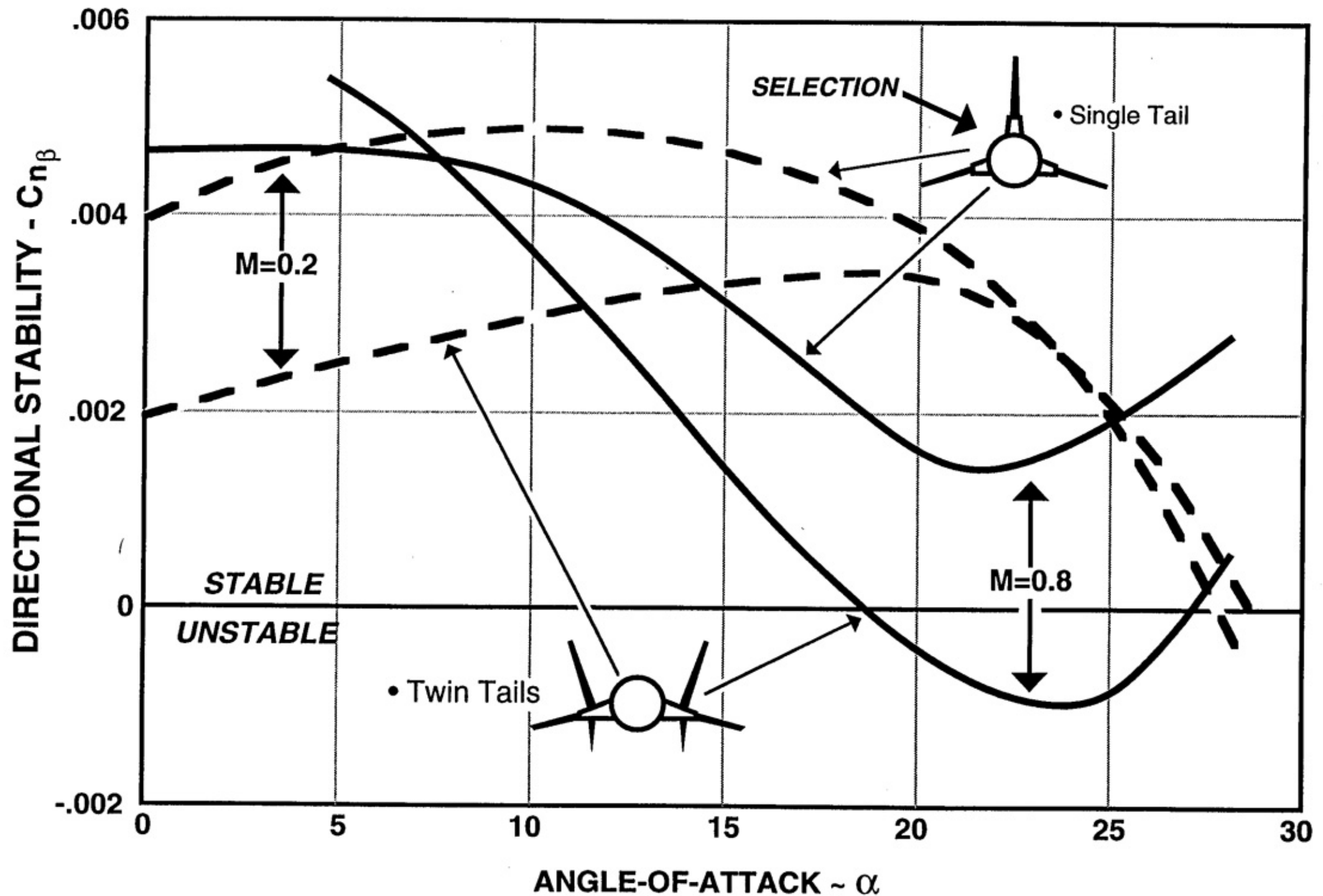


VENTRALS

- SPIN RESISTANCE
- DIRECTIONAL STABILITY AT HIGH SPEED AOA

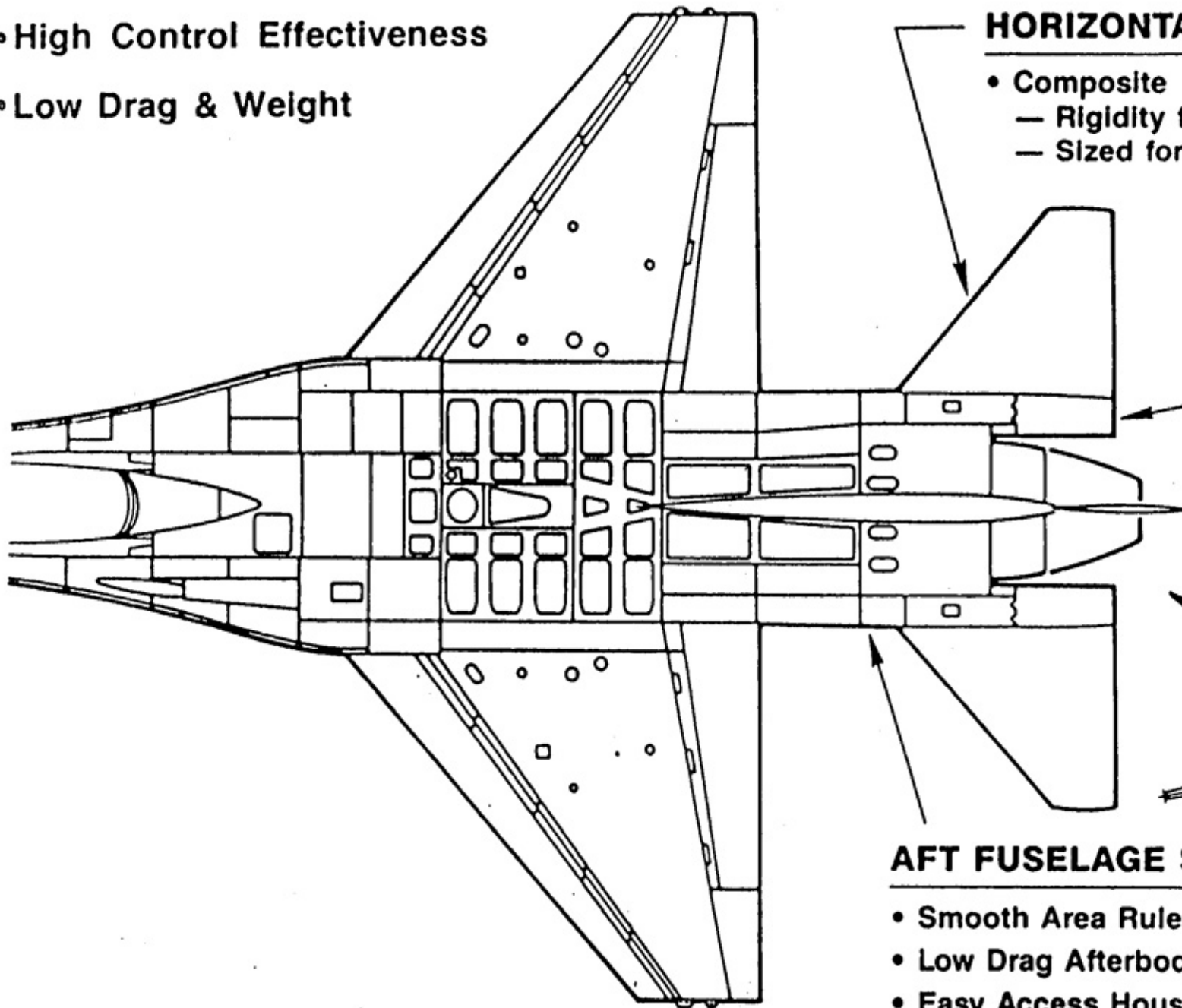
VERTICAL TAIL DEFINITION

- Single Tail Provides Better Directional Stability



HORIZONTAL TAIL DEFINITION

- High Control Effectiveness
- Low Drag & Weight

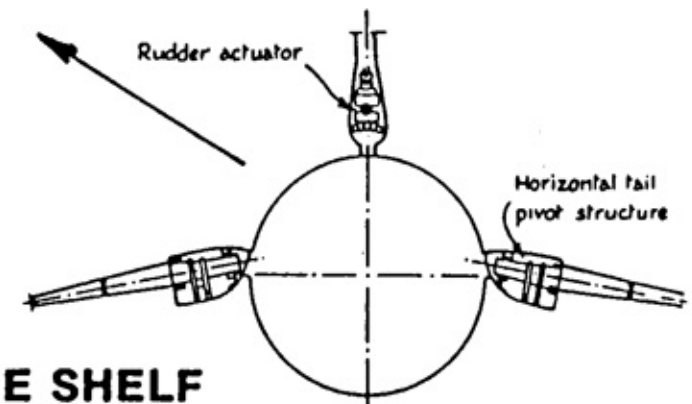


HORIZONTAL TAIL

- Composite
 - Rigidity for Small Size/Low Drag
 - Sized for Nose Gear Un-Stick

SPEED BRAKES

- No Pitch Effect
- No Flow Effect
- High Effectiveness



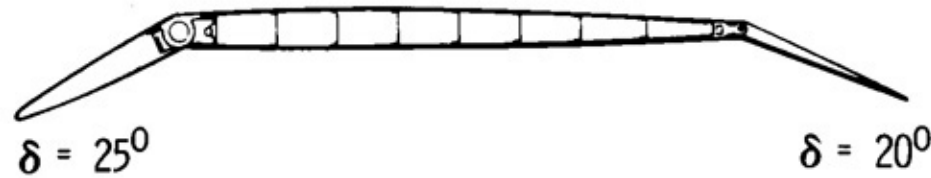
AFT FUSELAGE SHELF

- Smooth Area Rule
- Low Drag Afterbody Slope
- Easy Access Housing for Elevon & Horizontal Tail Actuators
- Flat Side-Limited Un-Porting of Control Surfaces

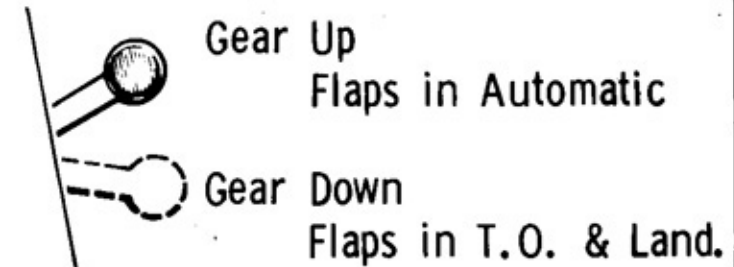
AUTOMATIC VARIABLE CAMBER-MANEUVERING FLAPS

- INCREASED DIRECTIONAL STABILITY AND REDUCED DRAG/INCREASED LIFT AT HIGH ANGLES OF ATTACK ($\approx 12^\circ$)
- BETTER BALANCE BETWEEN TURN RATE AND ACCELERATION (LESS WING AREA, THINNER WING)

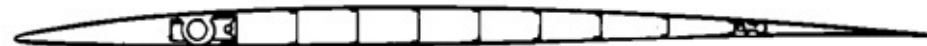
Take-off & Landing



Flap control



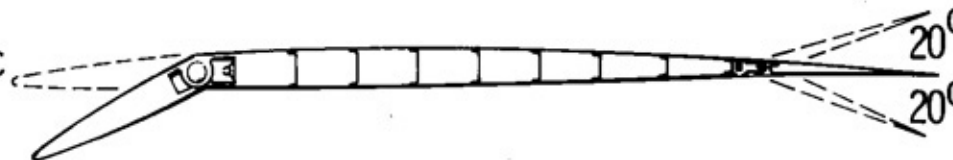
Cruise



- Basic Airfoil (64A204) Twisted (3°) and Cambered ($C_L = .2$) for Low Angles of Attack ($C_L < .6$)

Maneuver

Rate = $30^\circ/\text{Sec}$
 $\delta = 25^\circ$



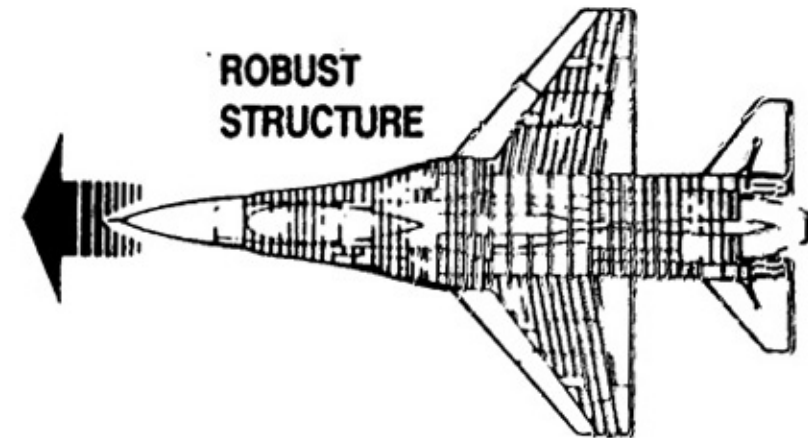
Roll Control
Flaperon
(Rate = $80^\circ/\text{Sec}$)

- L.E. FLAP FULLY AUTOMATIC PROGRAMMED FOR BEST FLAP POSITION (MAX L/D) AS A FUNCTION OF MACH NUMBER, ANGLE-OF-ATTACK, AND PITCH RATE

STRENGTH-WEIGHT RELATIONSHIP

- **LIGHTWEIGHT NOT ACHIEVED WITH USE OF EXOTIC MATERIALS....OR BY REDUCING STRUCTURAL STRENGTH OR SERVICE LIFE.**

- **Strength = 9g. at Full internal Fuel**
- **Service Life = 8000 Hours**



- **STRENGTH IS CONSISTENT WITH AERODYNAMIC AND PILOT LIMITS.**
- **CONVENTIONAL ALUMINUM STRUCTURE....LIMITED USE OF COMPOSITES (Control Surface Stiffness)**

PROPULSION ISSUES

- **THRUST LEVEL:**



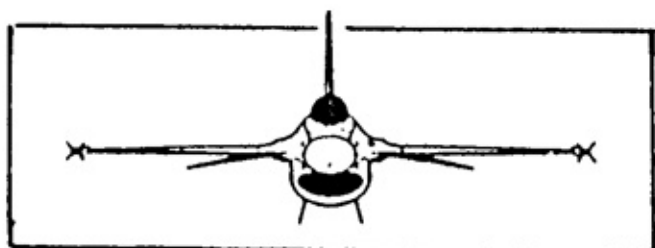
One TurboFan



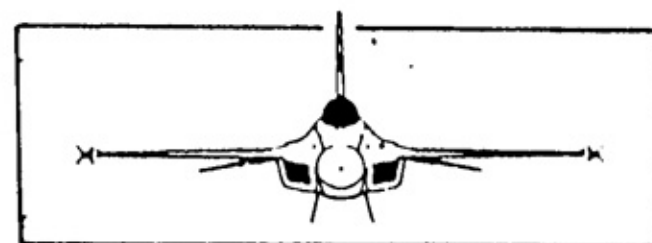
Two TurboJet

- **INLET AIR FLOW CAPTURE AREA & PRESSURE RECOVERY:**

- Inlet Location

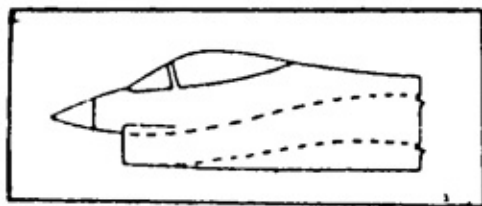


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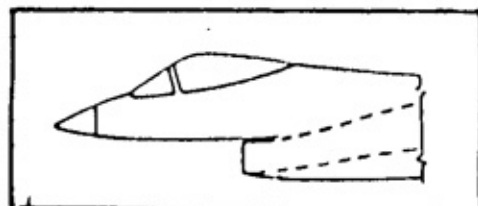


Side

- Inlet Face

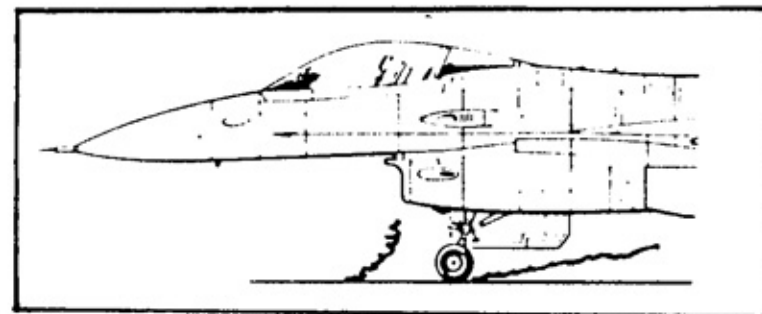


Forward



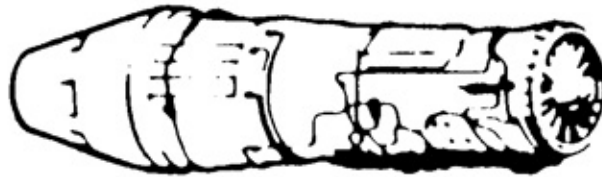
Aft

- FOD Ingestion



ENGINE SELECTION

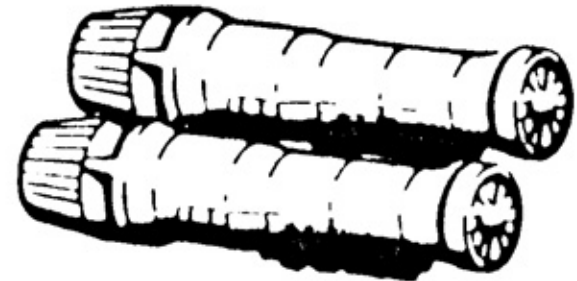
- **Single P&WA F100**



P&WA F100 TURBOFAN SELECTED

OR

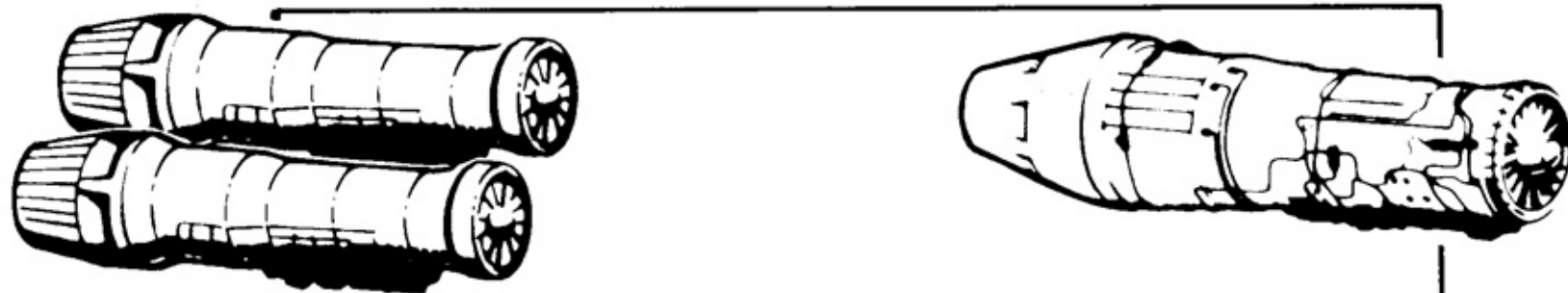
- **Twin GE YJ101 (Now F404)**



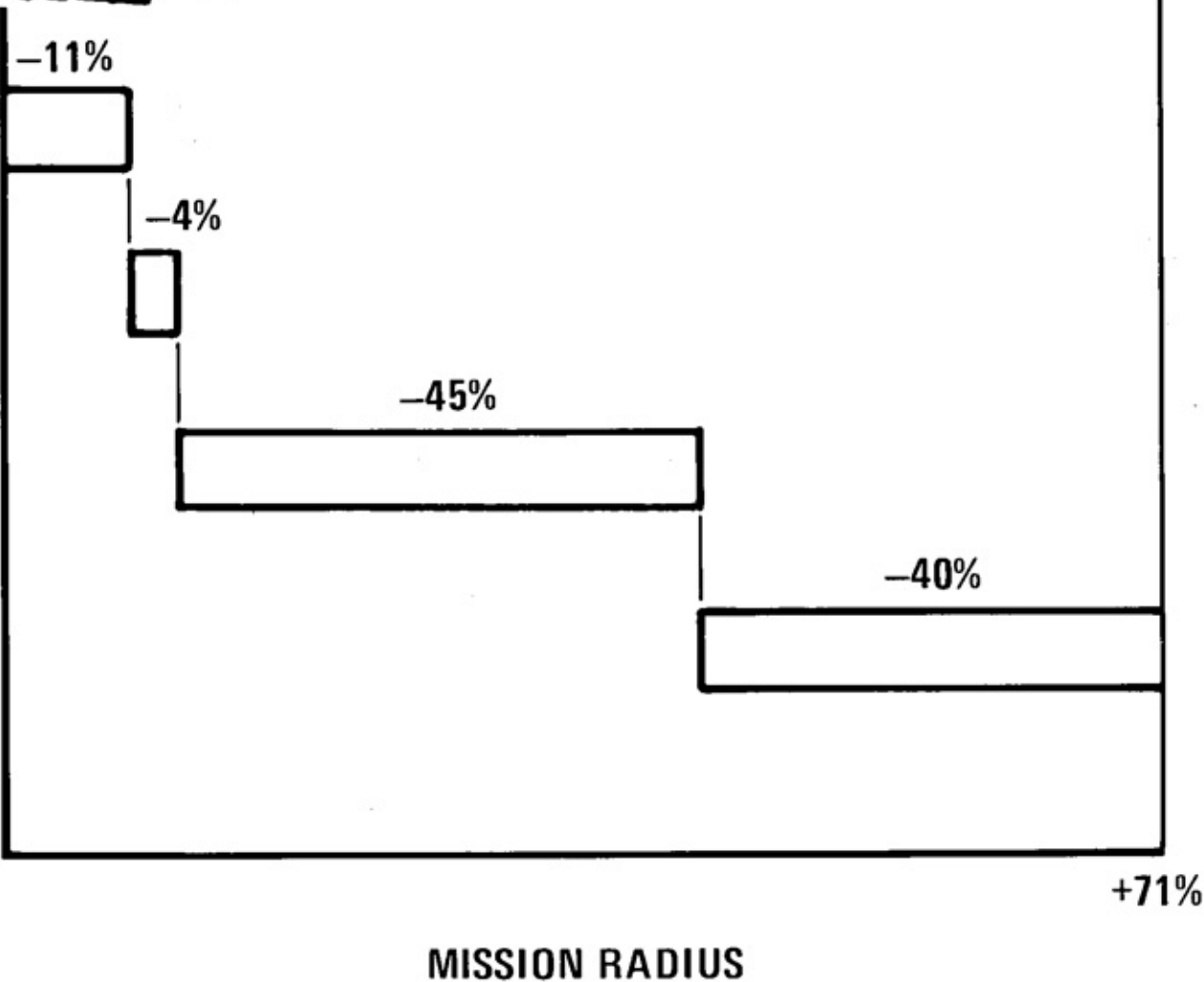
- **LOWER WEIGHT** (Combined Engine & Fuel Weight for 500 n.mi. Radius)
 - **7882 lbs. vs. 10,234 lbs.** (Dry Weight 1024 lbs. Lower)
- **LESS FUEL** (All Conditions)
 - **25% Less Cruise Fuel**
 - **14% Less Combat Fuel**
 - **45% Less Reserve Fuel**
- **HIGHER ENGINE T/W & HIGHER TOTAL THRUST AT V_{max}**
- **MORE INLET LOCATION OPTIONS**
- **LOWER BASE DRAG**

Twin-Engine Impact on Mission Radius

Constant TOGW



- Airframe Weight
- Airframe Drag
- Engine Weight
- Engine Fuel Flow

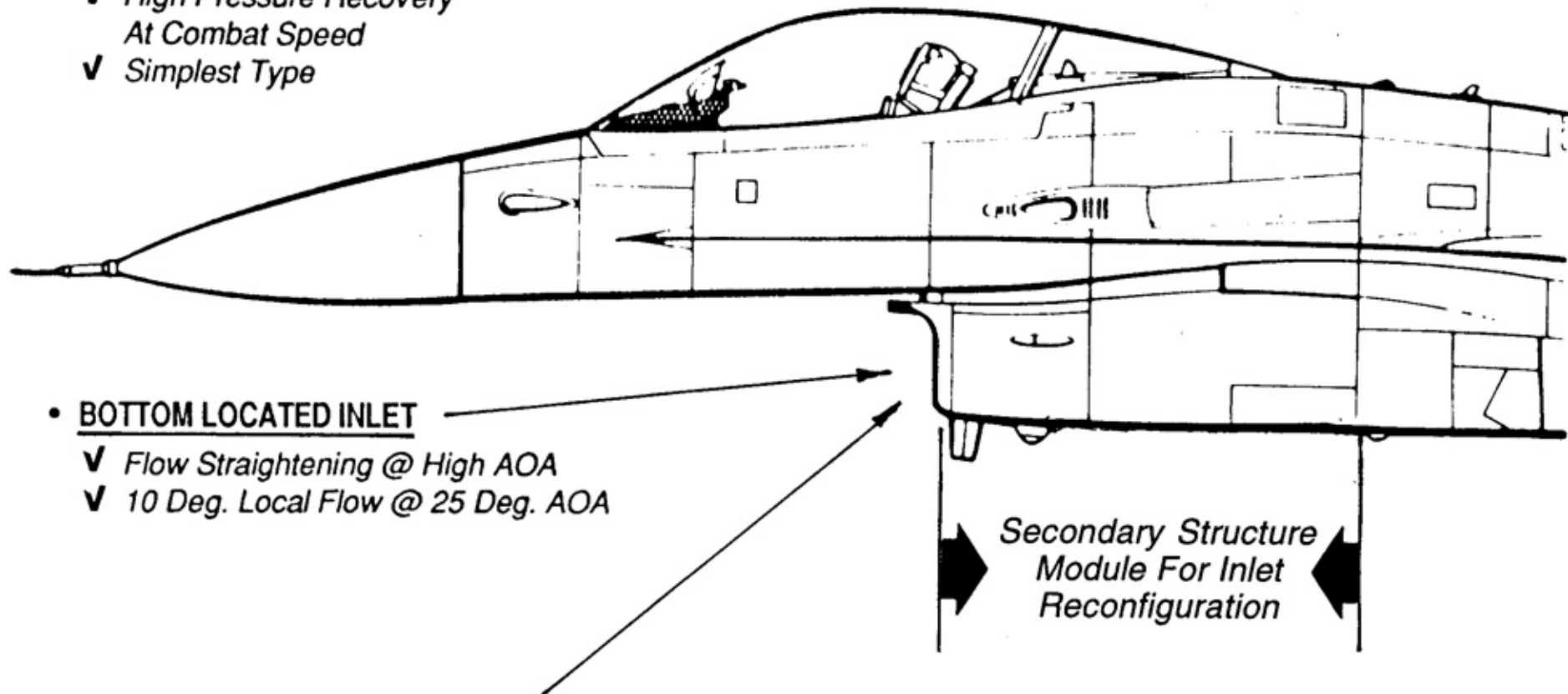


INLET / AIRFRAME INTEGRATION

Function: STALL-FREE, LOW DISTORTION, HIGH PRESSURE RECOVERY

- **NORMAL SHOCK INLET**

- ✓ *High Pressure Recovery*
At Combat Speed
- ✓ *Simplest Type*



- **BOTTOM LOCATED INLET**

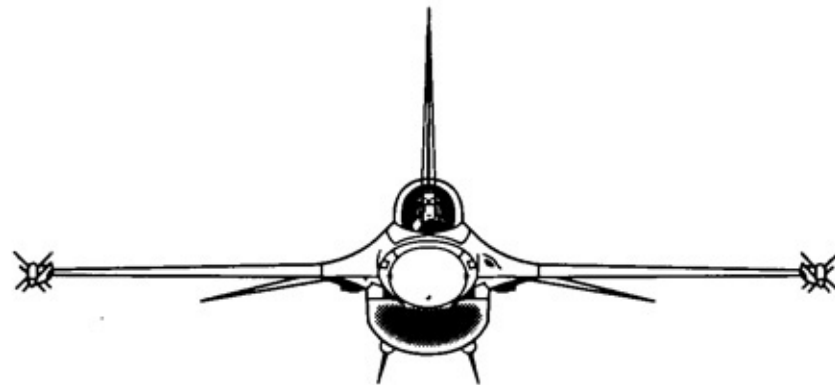
- ✓ *Flow Straightening @ High AOA*
- ✓ *10 Deg. Local Flow @ 25 Deg. AOA*

- **SET BACK LOCATION**

- ✓ *Staggered With Canopy*
for Smoother Area Curve
- ✓ *Less De-Stabilizing*
- ✓ *450 lb. Lower Weight*

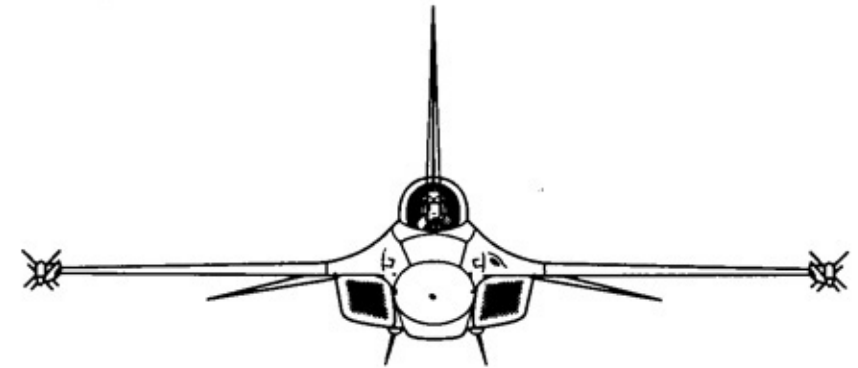
**Bottom Inlet Location Best
For High Angle-of-Attack Flight
At All Speeds**

Inlet Location Determination



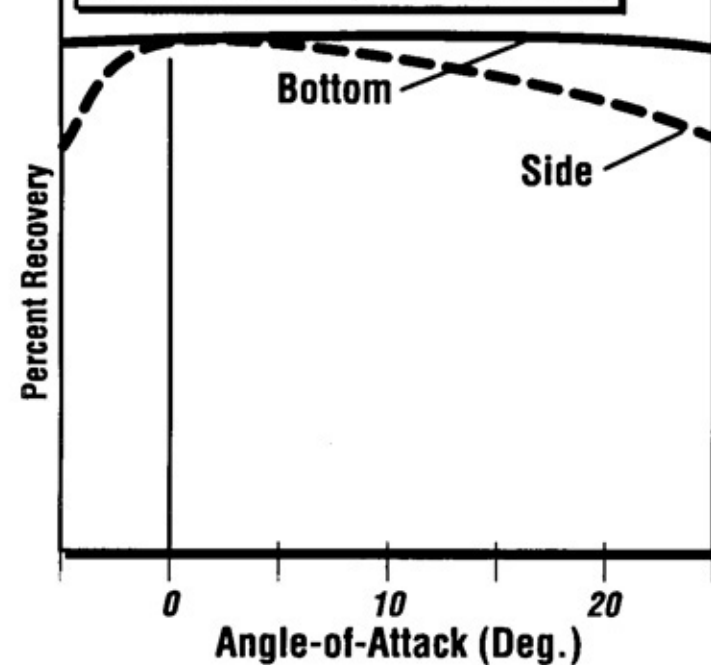
BOTTOM ———

$M=0.9$

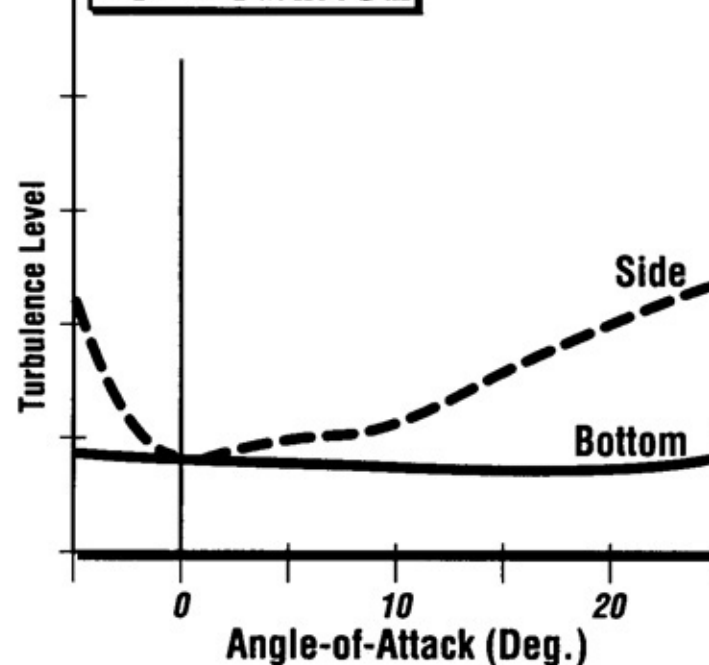


SIDE - - - - -

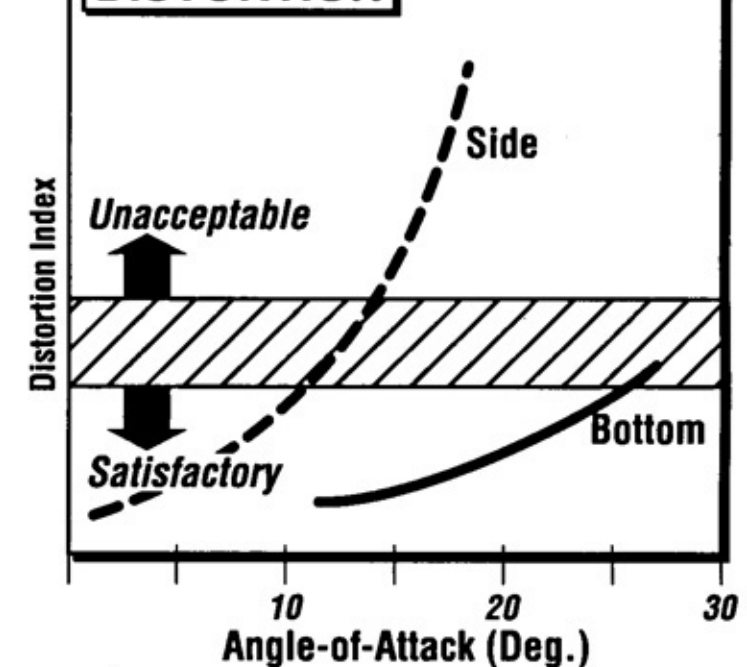
PRESSURE RECOVERY



TURBULENCE



DISTORTION

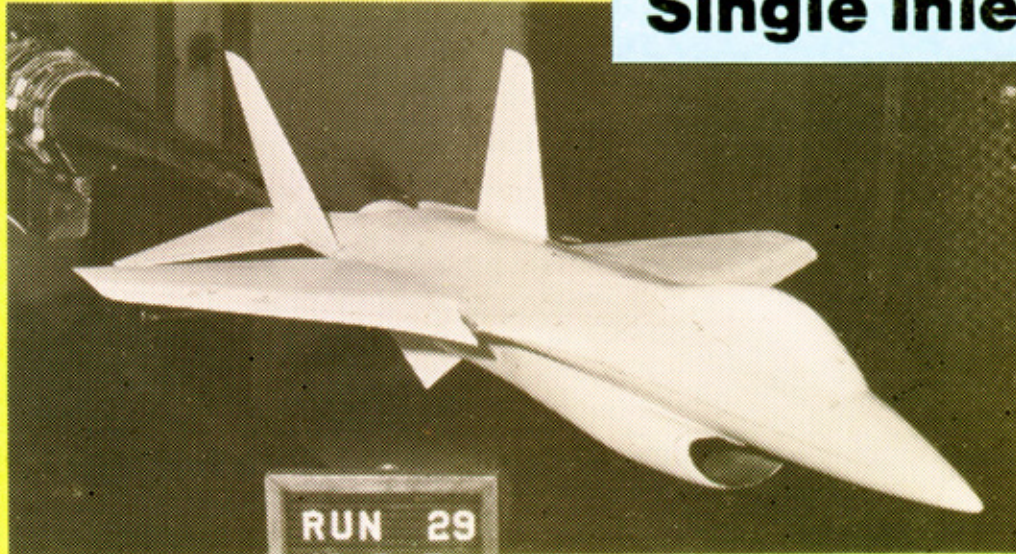


At $M=1.6$ and Above, the Pressure Recovery With the Bottom Inlet Increases With Angle-of-Attack

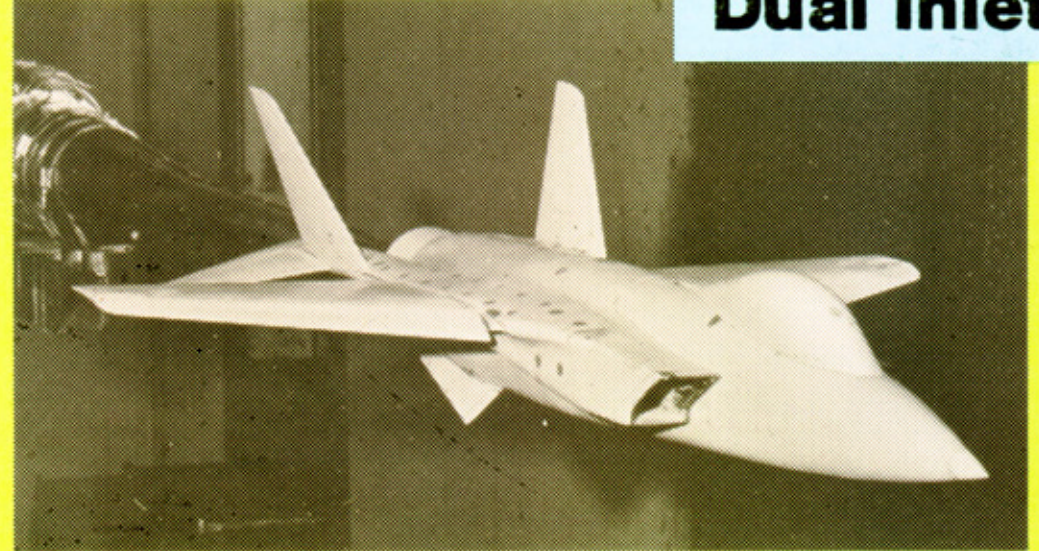
Single vs. Dual Inlet Drag

Equal Total Capture Area - 732 sq. in.

Single Inlet



Dual Inlet



M = .80

$C_{D \text{ min}}$ _____ .0187 _____ .0201

L/D Cruise _____ 11.03 _____ 10.39

$C_{D \text{ at Cruise}}$ _____ .0318 _____ .0337

$C_{D \text{ at Maneuver (} C_L = .8)}$ _____ .1330 _____ .1605

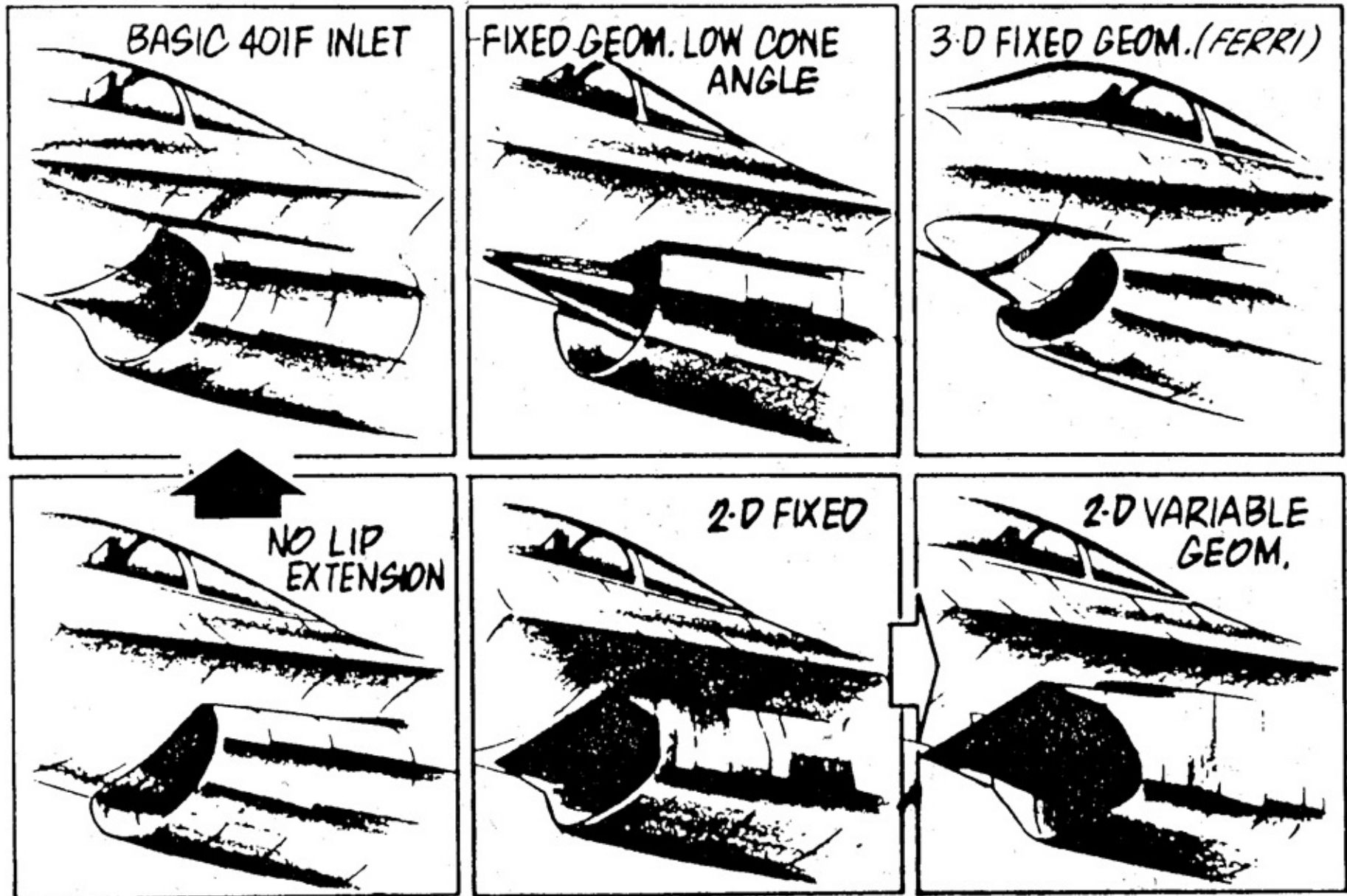
M = 1.2

$C_{D \text{ min}}$ _____ .0444 _____ .0470

$C_{D \text{ at Maneuver (} C_L = .5)}$ _____ .0873 _____ .0916

THRUST FUNCTION

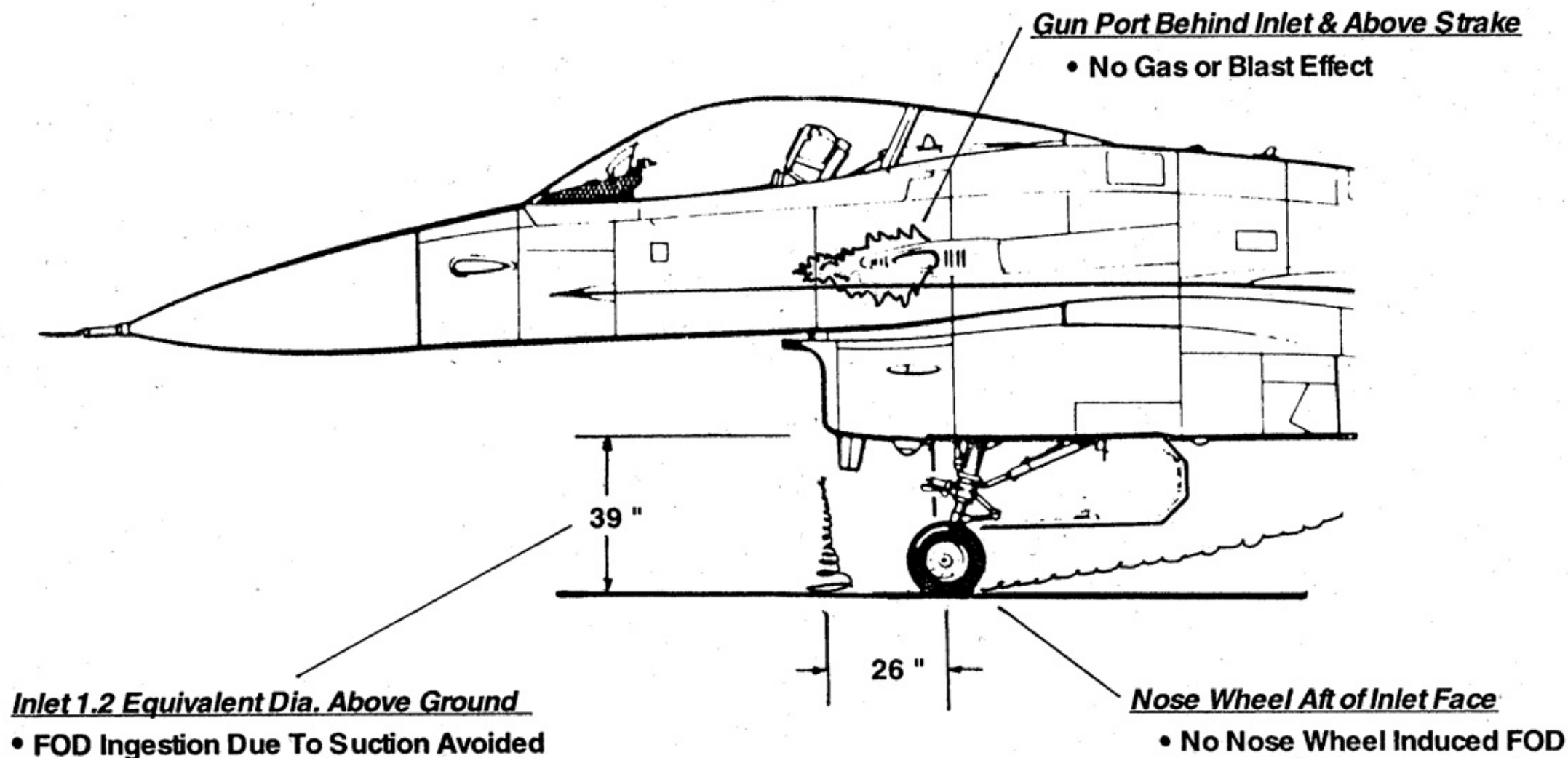
INLET GEOMETRY DEFINITION



INLET GEOMETRY SELECTED FROM WIND TUNNEL TESTS

- Analytical Procedures Not Accurate Enough To Estimate Pressure Recovery Or Drag

FOD INGESTION MINIMIZED



FOD ANALYSIS:

Suction Effects: B-707, B-737 (Inlets 20" Above Ground) ➡ Negligible Effect

Nose Gear Effect: F-100, F-111, F-4, F-15, F-5, AT-37, A-7: ➡ 2-Engine Aircraft With Side Inlets Many Times Worse Than 1-Engine Aircraft.

One vs. Two-Engine Safety Comparison

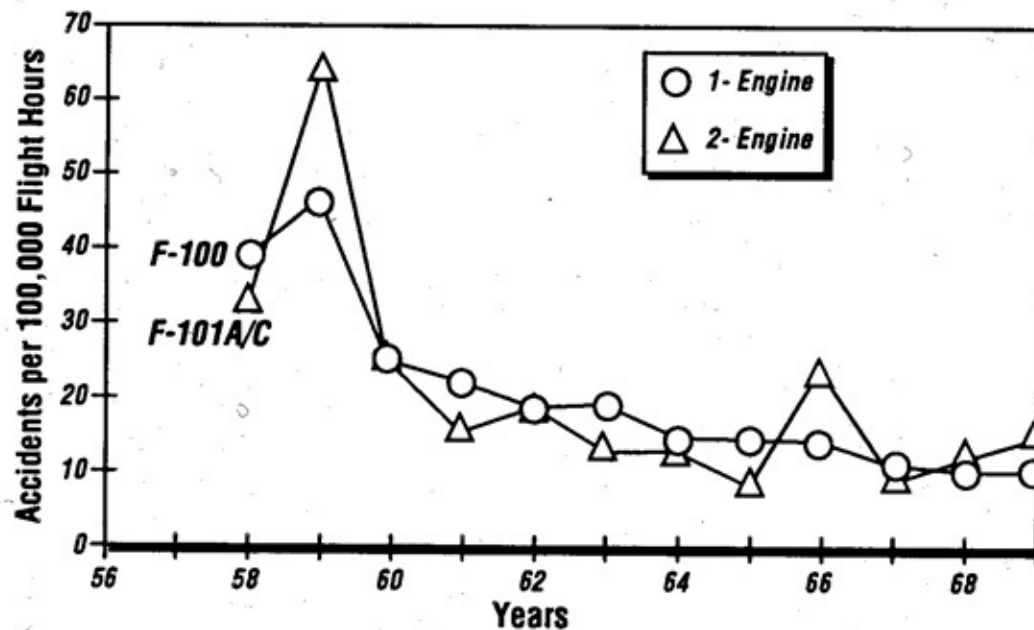
Data Source: U.S. Air Force Accident Bulletins

Tactical Air Mission

- Same Mission
- Same Time Frame

F-100 – 1 P&W J57 Engine

F-101A/C – 2 P&W J57 Engines

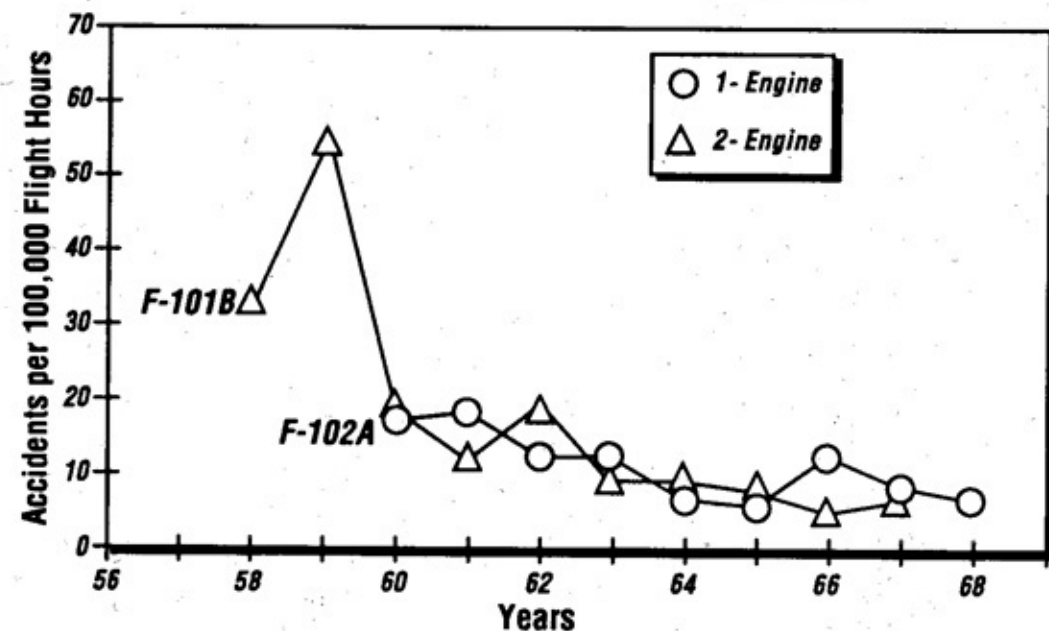


Air Defense Mission

- Same Mission
- Same Time Frame

F-102A – 1 P&W J57 Engine

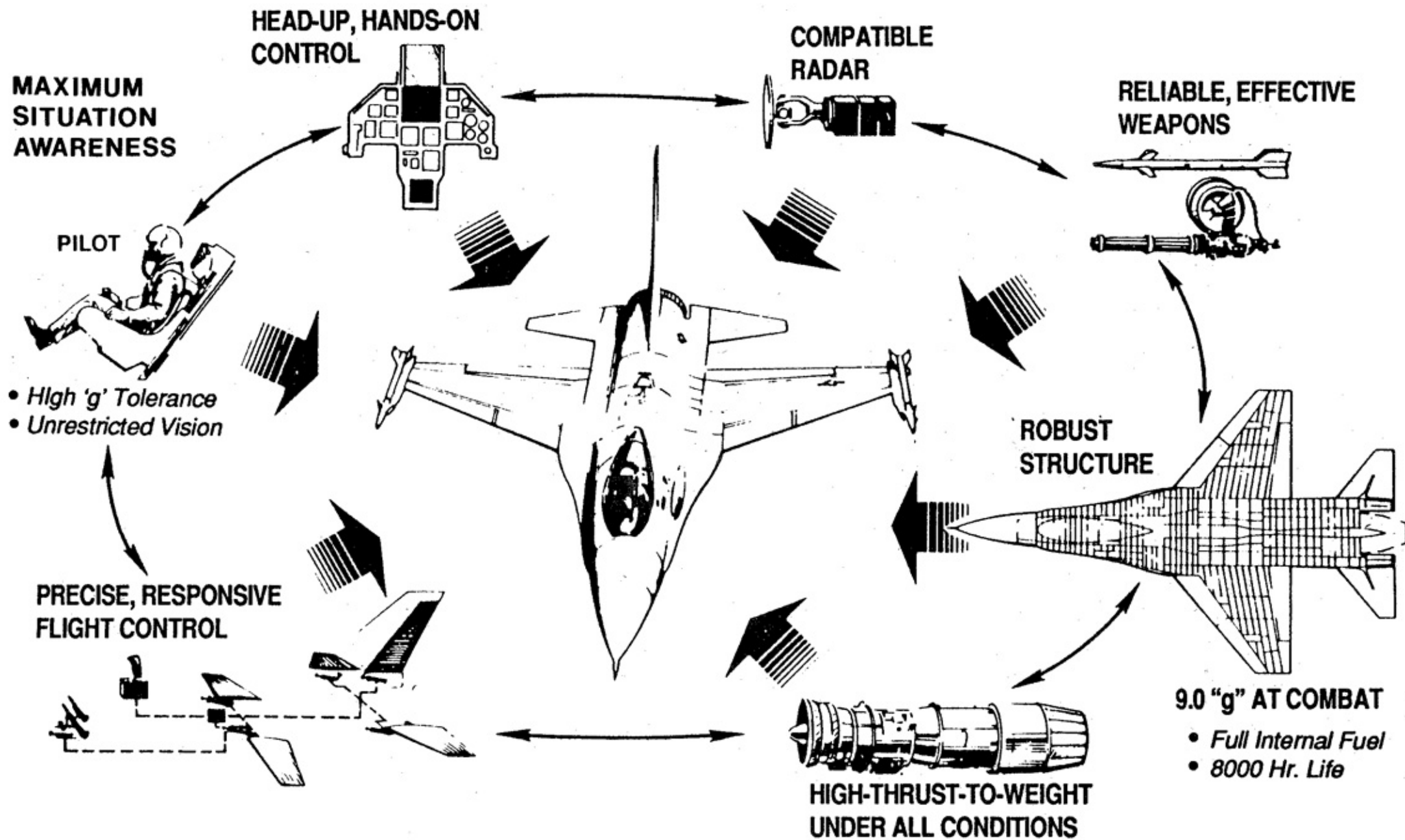
F-101B – 2 P&W J57 Engines



Conclusion

Single Engine and Twin Engine Fighters Have Similar Accident Rates for Same Mission Risk

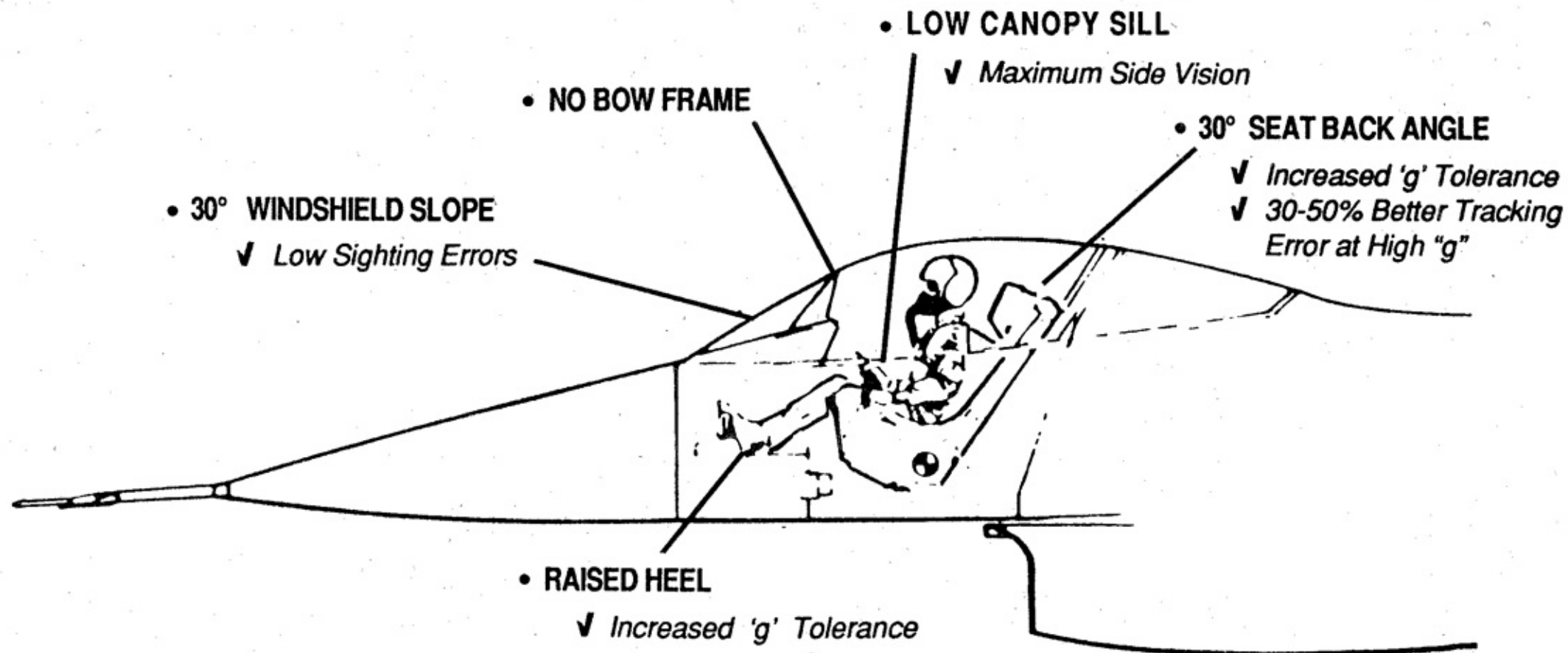
PILOT-VEHICLE FUNCTIONS FOR MAXIMUM COMBAT CAPABILITY



- PILOT NOT LIMITED BY VEHICLE
- VEHICLE AN EXTENSION OF PILOT'S CAPABILITIES

PILOT-VEHICLE INTERFACE

Function: HIGH "g" TOLERANCE, 360° SITUATION AWARENESS, PRECISE CONTROL INPUTS

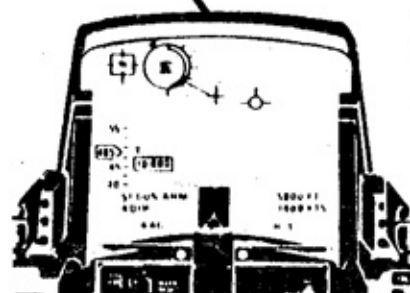


• HEAD-UP, HANDS-ON CONTROL

Combat Critical Functions Located on Throttle & Flight Controller



HEADS-UP DISPLAY



• FORCE/LIMITED DISPLACEMENT SIDE-STICK CONTROLLER

- ✓ More Precise Inputs
- ✓ Minimum Inadvertent Inputs & Feed-Backs



Unique Test Pilot Approach

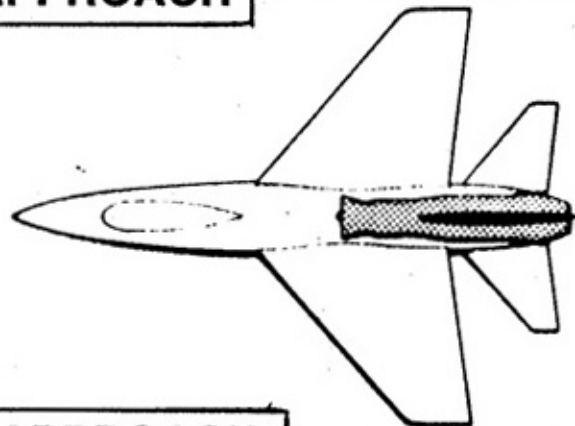
- ① TEST PILOTS ASSIGNED (Full Time) AT PROGRAM START
 - Contractor
 - USAF Flight Test Center (AFFTC)
 - TAC
- ② TEST PILOTS SELECTED COCKPIT CONFIGURATION
 - 30° Seat Back Angle
 - Side-Stick Controller
 - Force Stick
 - One-Piece Canopy (No Fixed Windshield)
- ③ GD PILOTS WROTE FLIGHT HANDBOOK
- ④ PILOTS SHARED ALL THREE TEST PHASES
 - AFFTC Pilot Flew 3rd Flight
 - TAC Pilot Flew 12th Flight

ALTERNATE CONFIGURATION APPROACHES

- **EVALUATED BY INDEPENDENT "RED TEAM"**

CONVENTIONAL APPROACH

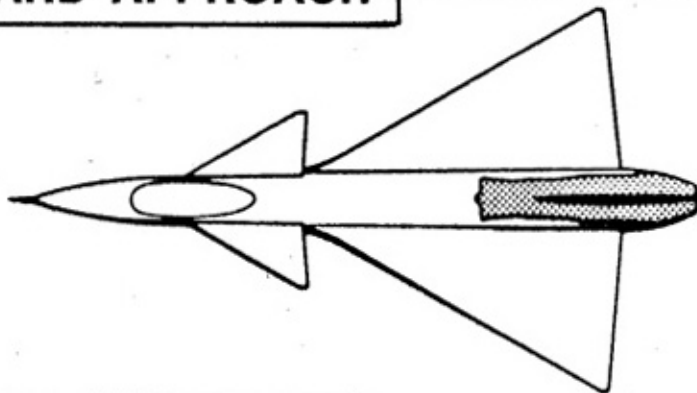
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- Same Weight
- Less Performance

DELTA CANARD APPROACH

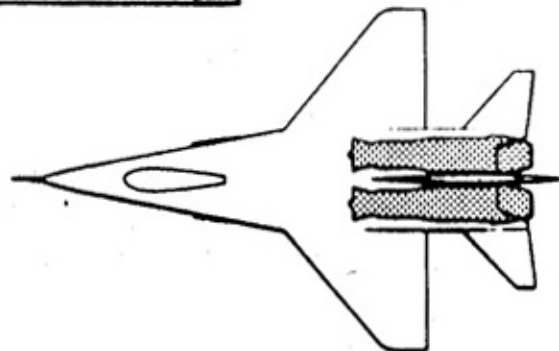
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- Less Subsonic Performance
- Equal Supersonic Performance
- Heavier, More Complex

TWIN ENGINE APPROACH

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- Same Performance
- Heavier

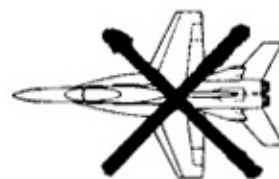
LWF PROTOTYPE PROGRAM LESSONS

- **DIFFERENT, AND BETTER, AIRPLANE SELECTED**
- **YF-17 WOULD HAVE "WON" PAPER COMPETITION**
 - "Bigger Airplane has more Capability" Syndrome
 - Twin-Engines
 - Low Cost Reputation
 - Lower Technical Risk (Less Innovation)
- **HIGHER TECHNOLOGY FIGHTER FOR INVENTORY**
 - Innovative Aspect Resisted by Operational People
 - Enthusiastically Accepted After Dramatically Demonstrated
- **SOLID BASE FOR SUBSEQUENT FULL SCALE DEVELOPMENT**
 - Unqualified Technical Success
 - Emphasis on Operational Systems and Support Elements
- **REDUCED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**
 - 8 A/C Vs. 20 A/C (F-15)
 - 2100 Flight Test Hours Vs. 5000 (F-15)
 - \$629M Vs \$2.2B (F-15)

USAF SELECTION RATIONALE



vs.



- **YF-16 DEMONSTRATED...**

- + **Better agility**

- + **Better Acceleration**

- + **Higher Turn Rate**

- + **More Endurance**

- + **Better Tolerance to High "g"**

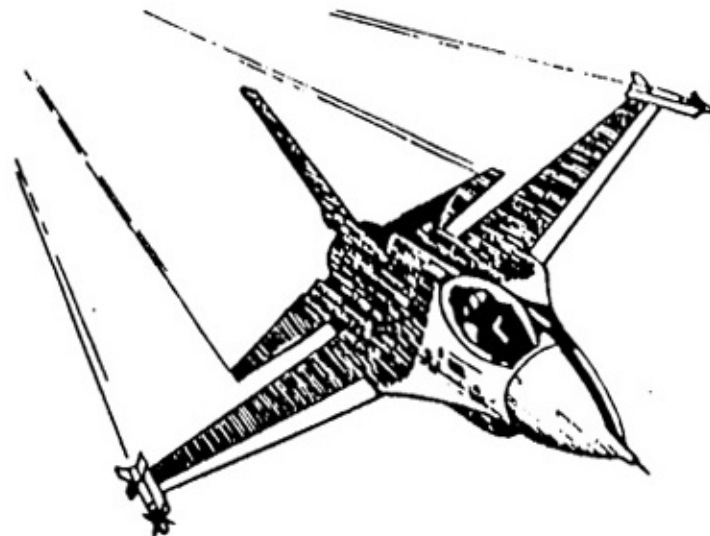
- + **Better Visibility**

- + **Better Deceleration**

- **YF-16 Costs More Believable and Lower By 6-7% With Lower Development and Life-Cycle Costs**

- **YF-16 Considered To Be Closer To Production Design**

SUMMARY....



- **THE YF-16 WAS AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS.**
 - **Performed Like No Other Fighter Has Ever Performed.**
Advanced Airframe Technologies and Design Innovations Were Carefully Selected and Well Integrated to Produce Very High Performance at an Affordable Cost.
 - *So Advanced As To Be Enduring For Continuous Improvement.*
 - *Being Duplicated In Today's Fighters.*
 - **More Advanced Airplane Resulted Than From Normal Approach.**
- **YF-16 WAS FIRST FIGHTER TO TRULY INTEGRATE THE PILOT AND THE AIRFRAME (Man-Machine Interface).**