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Systems Problem 7

Name: _____

Due Date: 10/30/03

	Time Spent (min)
SP7	
Study Time	

Announcements:

Fluids Lab 1 (SPL8) – Assignment

Wind Tunnel Pitot Measurements

Learning Objectives

- Practice acquiring and reducing wind tunnel data
- Practice using pitot probe relations (Bernoulli, etc)
- Familiarization with tunnel test procedures

Experimental Rig

Test Article: F-16 model in Wright Brothers Wind Tunnel

Instrumentation:

- Tunnel's pitot-static probe
- Hand-held pitot-static probe
- Tunnel's force balance

Test Conditions

Nominal tunnel speed: 50 mph

Angles of attack: $\alpha = 0^\circ, 5^\circ, 10^\circ, 15^\circ$

Raw Data Acquired

p_∞, p_{o_∞} (from tunnel's pitot-static probe)

$p(x), p_o(x)$ (along nose centerline, using hand-held pitot probe)

Lift, Drag (from tunnel balance)

Normalized Data Presented

Top and bottom centerline $C_p(x)$ for each α . (All 8 curves on one plot)

$C_L(\alpha), C_D(\alpha)$

Analysis

Propose locations of static ports on centerline, and how their measured p 's could be used to best estimate p_∞ and hence V_∞ for any α . You may assume that p_{o_∞} is known accurately on the aircraft (since this is easy to measure).