

Notes on CQ #1

$$\begin{aligned}
 D'_1 &= q_{\infty_1} c C_d(\text{Re}_1) \\
 D'_2 &= q_{\infty_2} c C_d(\text{Re}_2) \\
 \Rightarrow \text{Drag scales with } V_\infty^2 \times C_d(V_\infty)
 \end{aligned}
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 q_{\infty_1} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_1^2 \\
 q_{\infty_2} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_2^2 = 4q_{\infty_1} \\
 \text{Re}_1 = \frac{V_1 C}{V_\infty} \\
 \text{Re}_2 = \frac{V_2 C}{V_\infty}
 \end{array} \right.$$

$$D' = q_\infty c C_d(\text{Re})$$

From data, $C_d \propto \text{Re}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Rightarrow$ Laminar flow behavior

$$D' \propto \underbrace{q_\infty}_{\propto V_\infty^2} c \underbrace{\text{Re}^{-\frac{1}{2}}}_{\propto V_\infty^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$$

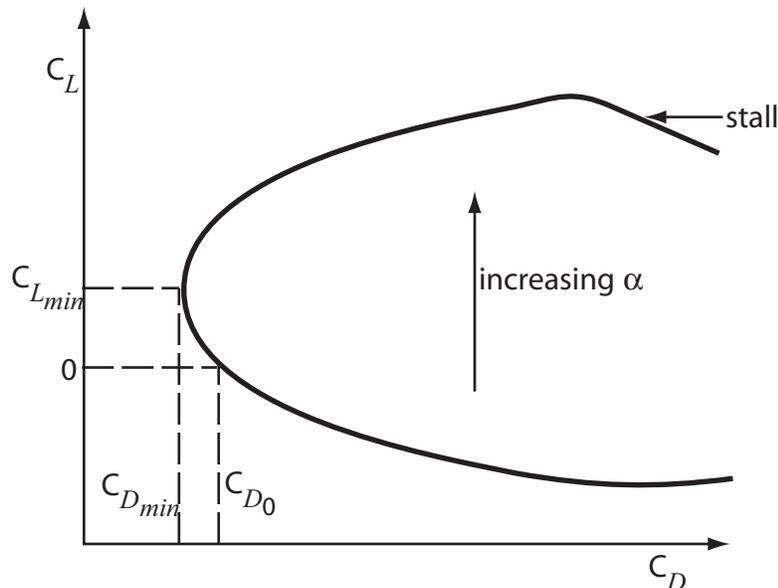
$$\boxed{D' \propto V_\infty^{\frac{3}{2}}}, \text{ c.f. Turbulent } C_d \propto \text{Re}^{-\frac{1}{7}}, D' \propto V_\infty^{\frac{13}{7}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{D' \uparrow \text{ with } V_\infty \uparrow}$$

Note dependence on chord $D' \propto c^2$, c.f. Turbulent $D' \propto c^{\frac{6}{7}}$

Drag Polar

$$C_L \equiv \frac{L}{q_\infty \underbrace{S_{ref}}_{\substack{\text{usually} \\ \text{wing} \\ \text{planform}}}} \text{ or } C_l \equiv \frac{L'}{q_\infty \underbrace{\ell_{ref}}_{\substack{\text{usually} \\ \text{chord}}}}$$



For many aircraft,

$$C_D \cong C_{D_{\min}} + k_{\min} (C_L - C_{L_{\min}})^2$$

Also, since $C_{D_{\min}} \approx C_{D_0}$ & $C_{L_{\min}} \approx 0$

$$C_D \cong C_{D_0} + kC_L^2$$

The first option will be slightly more accurate, but both are reasonable approximations.

Notes on CQ #2

(1) First, we note that C_{D_0} & k will almost certainly depend on the Reynolds number. But, this dependence is probably weak since the b.l. flow will be turbulent. So, we assume C_{D_0} & k remain constant to good approximation. Also important is that for a general aviation aircraft, we expect no wave drag since the flight is subsonic.

(2)

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S (C_{D_0} + kC_L^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S C_{D_0} + k \left(\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S \right) \left(\frac{W}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 S} \right)^2 \\ D &= \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} \rho S C_{D_0} \right)}_{D_0} V^2 + \underbrace{\left(\frac{k}{\frac{1}{2} \rho S} W^2 \right)}_{D_L} \frac{1}{V^2} \end{aligned}$$

So we see that $D_0 \propto V^2$ & $D_L \propto \frac{1}{V^2}$

(3) Often at cruise, $D_{0_c} \approx D_{L_c}$ for prop-aircraft.

$$\boxed{D_C = D_{0_c} + D_{L_c} = 2D_{0_c}}$$

At approach:

$$\boxed{D_A = 4D_{0_c} + \frac{1}{4}D_{0_c} = 4\frac{1}{4}D_{0_c}}$$

Note: $D_A > D_C$