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Above this angle of attack the directional stability increased markedly;
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attack of about 24°.
INTRODUCTION

The present study is part of the overall effort of the NASA to provide the technology base for the formulation and development of advanced supersonic-cruise vehicles. This paper will report the results of initial low-speed tests of a supersonic transport concept designed to utilize very low wing weight (blended wing-fuselage contours), variable-cycle engines or quiet, duct-burning fan engines, and thrust vectoring.

The distinguishing features of the present concept are the platypus-nosed, all-wing planform, and the centerline-mounted four-engine propulsion package. The planform with its long root chord was selected for sonic-boom reasons as discussed in reference 1. The location of the propulsion system was dictated in part by the desire to avoid aeroelastic problems associated with the placing of mass outboard and rearward of the torsional axis of the flexible, lightweight structure. The propulsion system is designed to incorporate a thrust vectoring capability intended to provide increased circulation for improvement in both lift and lift-drag ratio (see refs. 2 and 3), and additional longitudinal control. To effectively use vectored thrust in improving airframe flight efficiency in the critical low-speed mode where thrust reduction is important to noise alleviation, active controls are also a necessary feature of the present design. Beyond the features cited, the aerodynamic design philosophy is largely that reported in references 4 and 5.

The objectives of these preliminary tests are to determine some of the low-speed static aerodynamic characteristics of the basic configuration concept and to provide the data base from which configuration modifications might be made to alleviate any low-speed aerodynamic problems.

The tests were conducted in the Langley full-scale tunnel on a 1/10-scale model of an advanced blended-arrow supersonic transport configuration. The tests were conducted for a range of Reynolds numbers from $6.78 \times 10^6$ to $13.85 \times 10^6$ based on the mean aerodynamic chord. The tests were
conducted for a range of angle of attack of about -6° to 30° and for sideslip angles from -5° to 10°. The configuration variables included combinations of leading- and trailing-edge flap deflections; and thrust and engine nozzle deflection angle were varied to provide for additional lift. A few tests were conducted with the vertical tails removed to determine the contribution of the tails to lateral-directional stability and in addition tests were conducted to determine rudder effectiveness.

SYMBOLS

The data are referred to the stability of axes illustrated in figure 1. The origin of the axes was located to correspond with the 35-percent location of the mean aerodynamic chord.

The dimensional quantities are given in the International System of Units (SI) and in U.S. Customary Units. Conversion factors for the two systems are given in reference 6.

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<td>b</td>
<td>wing span, 4.570 m (15.00 ft)</td>
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<td>B.S.</td>
<td>body station (longitudinal distance from model nose), m (ft)</td>
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<td>c</td>
<td>mean aerodynamic chord, 4.600 m (15.10 ft)</td>
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<td>free stream dynamic pressure, N/m² (lb/ft²)</td>
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S wing area, 15.15 m² (163.00 ft²)

T engine thrust (thrust above the value for $T'_c = 0$), N (lb)

$T'_c$ thrust coefficient, $T/q_S$

$(T'_c = 0)$ thrust coefficient where engine exhaust total pressure is equal to free stream total pressure

T.E. trailing edge

V free stream velocity, m/sec (ft/sec)

X longitudinal stability axis

$\alpha$ angle of attack referred to wing reference line (fig. 1), deg

$\beta$ angle of sideslip, deg

$\delta_f$ trailing-edge flap deflection, deg

$\delta_n$ leading-edge flap deflection referenced to undeflected leading-edge position, deg

$\delta_N$ engine exhaust deflection angle, positive downward, deg

$\delta_r$ rudder deflection, positive for trailing-edge left, deg

Subscripts:

1,2,3,4,5,6,7 (with $\delta_n$ symbol) wing leading-edge flap segments

(1, nearest wingtip, and 7, nearest nose of model (see fig. 2))

1,2,3 (with $\delta_f$ symbol) wing trailing-edge flap segments (1, inboard, and 3, outboard (see fig. 2))

MODEL

The dimensional characteristics of the 1/10-scale model are shown in figures 2 through 4. Photographs of the model mounted for tests in the Langley full-scale tunnel are presented in figures 5 through 7. The
model construction was an aluminum framework filled with a strux filler with the surface covered with several layers of fiberglass. The model was essentially rigid for these low-speed tests.

The model was equipped with wing leading- and trailing-edge flaps, twin vertical tails, and for a few tests, a 2-percent (aspect-ratio-6) canard. The leading-edge flap segments could be deflected from 0° to 60° downward (referenced normal to the wing leading-edge hingeline and to the mean line of the leading-edge section). The location, length, and chord of the leading-edge flap segments are shown in figures 2 and 3.

As shown in figure 3, the trailing-edge flaps were divided into three segments and each side could be deflected downward 30° perpendicular to the hingeline - the maximum allowable angle to prevent scraping the runway on landing or takeoff.

The canard was equipped with a double-slotted full-span flap and a full-span slat. Since the incremental trimming effect was the only point of interest for the current investigation, the canard was installed at a fixed angle of incidence on the lower surface of the nose of the model. The physical characteristics of the canard and its location on the fuselage are noted in figure 4.

The model was equipped with fixed twin tails with full-span rudders with the size and positioning of fins and rudders as shown in figure 2.

The model was also equipped with four 0.14 m (5.50 in.) diameter fans (engines) mounted in an underslung nacelle. (See figure 3.) These fans were free to windmill with tunnel speed, or to be powered by externally supplied compressed air. The fans were tip driven (air ejected from blade tips to cause fan rotation), and for the current installation the fans could be driven to about 18,000 rpm (total combined static thrust ≈290 N (65 lb)) with the available compressed air supply.
TESTS AND CORRECTIONS

Tests

Force tests were conducted on the 1/10-scale model in the Langley full-scale tunnel for several values of Reynolds numbers, based on the mean aerodynamic chord from $6.78 \times 10^6$ to $13.85 \times 10^6$ (corresponding to test velocities of about 41 knots and 85 knots, respectively). Most of the tests were conducted at about 54 knots (Reynolds number = $8.92 \times 10^6$). For the powered tests, the test speed was restricted to about 23 knots to 34 knots ($T_C'$ range of 0.1 to 0.2) because of a limited air supply system for the fans. (Maximum engine revolution speed was about 18,000 rev/min.)

Tests were conducted for angles of attack from about $-6^0$ to $30^0$ and for sideslip angles from $-5^0$ to $10^0$. Tests were conducted for several combinations of wing leading-edge flap segments and deflections, and for combinations of trailing-edge flap segments and deflection angles - the latter for longitudinal and lateral control as well as for improved lift.

A few tests were conducted (at zero sideslip) to determine the effectiveness of the twin rudders, and a few tests were conducted with an aspect-ratio-6, double-slotted-flap canard installed on the nose.

Most of the tests were conducted with the model drive fans (engines) windmilling with a drag correction applied to the force data to account for the excess drag of the windmilling fans and the internal drag of the fan duct ($T_C' = 0$). The drag correction was determined by comparing the windmilling drag to the drag measured with the fans operating at sufficient speed to generate free stream total pressure at the fan nozzle (zero flow-through loss). Tests were conducted for thrust coefficients ($T_C'$) to about 0.20 to determine the effects of thrust on the aerodynamic forces and moments.

Wool tufts were attached to the wing upper surface to aid in the interpretation of the force test results.
Corrections

The test data have been corrected for tunnel airflow angularity, buoyancy, and for strut tares. The sidewash angle has not been accounted for in the data presentation, and this, in general, resulted in an initial offset, from zero, of the lateral and directional data. The sidewash angle was approximately $0.5^\circ$ ($\beta \approx -0.5^\circ$).

Tunnel wall corrections were found to be negligible by both theory (ref. 7) and by experiment wherein a 1/150-scale model of the test model was tested in a 1/15-scale model of the full-scale tunnel.

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## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In order to expedite the publication and dissemination of the data of this paper, the data will be presented with only a cursory analysis. The data are briefly analyzed with regard to the achievement of high lift and adequate stability and control for the low to moderate angles of attack that would be encountered during landing and takeoff maneuvers.

**Tuft studies.** As an aid in interpreting the force and moment characteristics, flow studies were made of a few select configurations by observing the action of wool tufts attached to the upper surface of the wing. Photographs of the tuft studies are presented in figures 8 through 14. The missing photographs for a few angles of attack was caused by camera malfunction.

Flow over the clean wing ($\delta_f = \delta_n = 0$) at zero sideslip and with tails removed (fig. 8) is seen to develop into a large chordwise vortex on each wing panel that sweeps the flow outboard for angles of attack above $\alpha = 10^\circ$. Installing the vertical tails (fig. 9) constrains the large vortices and causes rough flow outboard of the fins at $\alpha = 14^\circ$. Some stall exists outboard of the tails at $\alpha = 18^\circ$ and the tips are stalled by $\alpha = 28^\circ$. Sideslipping the clean configuration ($\beta = 10^\circ$) (fig. 10), caused the advancing wingtip to stall earlier than the unyawed wing, and the retreating wing did not stall through the full angle-of-attack.
attack range investigated. This characteristic will be related to the
dihedral effect exhibited by the configuration in a later section.
Deflecting inboard leading- and full-span trailing-edge flaps (high lift
configuration) resulted in spanwise flow at the wingtips by \( \alpha = 2^\circ \).
(See figure 11.) Both wingtips and the mid-trailing-edge flaps were
stalled by \( \alpha = 22^\circ \). The effect of deflecting the outboard leading-edge
flaps for the high-lift configuration is shown in figure 12. Stall of
the wingtips was delayed to \( \alpha = 26^\circ \) and flow over the remainder of the
wing was fairly good through \( \alpha = 28^\circ \). Sideslipping the high-lift
configuration with all leading- and trailing-edge flaps deflected resulted
in flow conditions which were markedly different than those exhibited by
the clean wing. (Compare figures 10 and 13.) The retreating wing of the
high-lift configuration was subject to some separated flow at \( \alpha = 12^\circ \)
and the retreating wingtip including the outboard flap was stalled at
\( \alpha = 16^\circ \). Installing a small canard on the model had no apparent effect
on the wing flap pattern. (See figure 14.)

Longitudinal Characteristics

Basic configuration.- At the outset of the program tests were
conducted on the clean configuration for a range of wind-tunnel speeds to
determine whether there were appreciable effects of Reynolds number on the
data. The effect of Reynolds number on the longitudinal characteristics
of the clean wing configuration with vertical tails is shown in figure 15.
There was no appreciable Reynolds number effect on the data, therefore
most of the tests were conducted for a Reynolds number of \( 8.92 \times 10^6 \).

Perhaps the most significant point to be noted concerning the data
presented in figure 15 is that the clean configuration exhibited static
longitudinal instability (pitchup) for angles of attack greater than
about \( \alpha = 3^\circ \). The data also show that the variation of lift with angle
of attack indicated an increase in lift-curve slope at moderate angles
of attack due to vortex lift, and the lift-curve did not exhibit any
abrupt changes. A maximum value of lift-drag ratio of about 6 occurred near $\alpha = 3^\circ$.

**Effect of vertical tails.** The effect of the vertical tails on the longitudinal characteristics of the clean wing configuration is shown in figure 16. These data indicate that a lift loss occurred at moderate to high angles of attack when the vertical tails were added to the model. The tuft studies of figures 8 and 9 seem to indicate the cause for the reduced lift. At moderate and high angles of attack, the flow outboard of the tails showed a large area of rough and separated flow. This flow condition would seem to indicate that the reduction in lift noted with the tails on was related to the constraining effect of the tails on the spanwise vortex flow. In general, the longitudinal stability characteristics, particularly the pitchup, were not affected by the tails.

**Effect of leading- and trailing-edge flaps.** The effect of deflecting the trailing-edge flaps and outboard leading-edge flaps is shown in figure 17. Lift is seen to be increased significantly, as well as L/D; however, the configuration still exhibited the pitchup shown for the clean configuration in figure 15. Deflecting the inboard leading-edge flaps (fig. 18) produced a very significant effect in that the pitchup was delayed to about $\alpha = 18^\circ$ with only a very small loss of lift caused by the inboard leading-edge flap deflection at low angles of attack. It should be noted that deflection of the trailing-edge flaps in combination with the leading-edge flaps increased the untrimmed lift coefficient, at the estimated tail scrape angle of attack of $9.5^\circ$, from about 0.35 for the clean wing to about 0.50 for $30^\circ$ trailing-edge flap deflection (see figs. 15 and 18). The effect of deflecting various leading-edge flaps for a fixed trailing edge is shown in figure 19. It should be noted that the inboard trailing-edge flap was only deflected $20^\circ$, which accounts for the apparently lower lift values than the data shown in figure 18. The most significant point shown by the data of figure 19 is that the inboard leading-edge flap segments 5, 6, and 7 must be deflected at least $60^\circ$ to alleviate the pitchup at moderate and high angles of attack.
To determine the effect of outboard leading-edge flap deflection, the trailing-edge and inboard leading-edge flaps were deflected with and without outboard leading-edge flaps (segments 1, 2, and 3) with the results shown in figure 20. Deflecting the outboard leading-edge flaps reduced lift and, to a small extent, the longitudinal stability. For the relatively low wingtip flap loading (indicated by the tuft studies and by the very low control effectiveness of the outboard flap to be discussed later) the outboard leading-edge flaps were probably deflected too highly.

Effect of canard.- The results of tests wherein canards having areas of 0.02S and 0.025S were evaluated to determine the effectiveness of such surfaces to reduce longitudinal trim requirements are presented in figures 21 and 22. The data show that the canards provided substantial positive (favorable) increments of \( C_m \) over the angle-of-attack range. The canards produced no noticeable effect on lift, and a degradation in L/D.

Effect of thrust vectoring.- The effect of engine thrust with no thrust vectoring on the lift and pitch characteristics with the 0.02S canard deflected is shown to be negligible in figure 23. The effect of thrust vectoring is shown in figure 24. Directly comparable data were not obtained during the tests; i.e., canard on, \( \delta_f = 20^0 \) and \( 30^0 \) with \( T_c' = 0.10 \) without thrust vectoring/ however, since thrust was shown in figure 23 to have negligible effects on lift and pitch, it may be assumed that the effects shown in figure 24 are mainly attributable to thrust vectoring. The effect of deflecting the engine nozzle \( 30^0 \) is shown in figure 24 to increase lift slightly, in the high angle-of-attack range, and to slightly increase the longitudinal stability. The rather minor effects of thrust vectoring for the present configuration can be explained by a number of reasons. The nozzle deflection technique of the subject tests (only deflecting the upper half of the nozzle) was very poor from the standpoint of efficiently turning the exhaust flow. Also, the nozzle area was larger than required, which resulted in relatively low exhaust velocities and probably poor turning of the exhaust flow. It is expected
that a better nozzle deflection arrangement would provide substantial
gains in lift with nozzle deflection.

Longitudinal control effectiveness.- The longitudinal control
effectiveness of the trailing-edge flaps is shown in figures 25 and 26. All combinations of flaps were quite effective in providing longitudinal trim (with attendant reduction in lift) with the exception of the outboard flaps alone (fig. 25(d)). These outboard flaps were relatively ineffective as might be expected based on the tuft studies of figure 11 which show the flow over the outboard flap to be fairly poor. As expected, the data of figure 26 show that the presence of the canard had no appreciable effect on the longitudinal control effectiveness.

Effects of sideslip.- The effects of sideslip on the longitudinal characteristics of the model are shown in figures 27 to 29. The data show that sideslip tended to make the pitchup characteristics of both the clean and high-lift configurations more severe.

Lateral-Directional Stability Characteristics

The lateral-directional stability characteristics of the model are presented in figures 31 to 38. An analysis of lateral-directional data obtained for the clean configuration over the range of Reynolds number previously discussed for the longitudinal data indicated that the effects of Reynolds number were also negligible in the lateral-directional tests. As a result, most of the tests were conducted at a value of Reynolds number of $8.92 \times 10^6$ (the same value used for the longitudinal tests).

The variations of side force, rolling-moment, and yawing-moment coefficients with sideslip for the clean configuration, the high-lift configuration, and the high-lift configuration with canard are presented in figures 31, 32, and 33. The data show that the variation of $C_x$ with $\beta$ was generally linear for angles of attack up to about $\alpha = 20^0$; whereas the variation of $C_n$ with $\beta$ became nonlinear near $\alpha = 8^0$ with increasing nonlinearity at higher angles of attack. In addition, the data
show large yawing and rolling moment asymmetries for angles of attack greater than $\alpha = 20^\circ$. These asymmetric moments, which are believed to be caused by asymmetric vortex shedding off the highly swept nose, would have a significant effect on the lateral-directional control of the configuration at high angles of attack, as will be discussed in the next section. As shown in figure 34, the magnitudes and directions of the $C_n$ and $C_\emptyset$ asymmetries varied over the range of Reynolds number tested.

The lateral-directional stability characteristics of the model are summarized in figures 35 to 38 in terms of the side-force derivative $C_{y_B}$, the directional stability derivative $C_{n_B}$, and the effective dihedral derivative $C_{\emptyset B}$. The magnitudes of the derivatives were determined from values of the respective coefficients at values of $\beta$ of $\pm 5^\circ$.

The data of figure 35 show that the clean configuration was directionally stable at low angles of attack, and the level of directional stability increased markedly as angle of attack was increased such that the configuration was extremely stable at high angles of attack. It should be noted that the marked increase in $C_{n_B}$ at high angles of attack was produced in conjunction with a large positive increment of $C_{y_B}$. An analysis of the relative signs of the two derivatives indicates that the aerodynamic stabilizing moment was produced forward of the center-of-gravity position. Past investigations have shown that the foregoing characteristics may be related to the aerodynamic effects of a pair of strong vortices shed off the highly swept, flat nose of the model (see refs. 8 through 12).

The data of figure 35 also show that the magnitude of $C_{\emptyset B}$ increased with increasing $\alpha$ up to $\alpha = 12^\circ$. Above this angle, the value of the derivative decreased rapidly. This decrease in $C_{\emptyset B}$ is related to the advancing wing panel stall discussed in the section on flow visualization.

As previously noted, variations in Reynolds number had no significant effect on the lateral-directional characteristics.
The effect of the vertical tails on the lateral-directional stability derivatives of the clean configuration is presented in figure 36. The data show that the tail contribution to \( C_{n_{\beta}} \) was essentially constant over the angle-of-attack range, and that the tails had a significant effect on the magnitude of \( C_{e_{\beta}} \).

Shown in figure 37 is a comparison of the lateral-directional derivatives from the clean and high-lift configurations; these data show essentially similar trends although the high-lift configuration did exhibit less stable values of \( C_{n_{\beta}} \) at extremely high angles of attack.

Presented in figure 38 is the effect of the canard on the derivatives for the high-lift configuration. The data show that although the canard caused a large reduction in \( C_{n_{\beta}} \) at angles of attack above \( \alpha = 4^\circ \), the configuration still had a high level of directional stability at all angles of attack.

Lateral-Directional Control Characteristics

In the present investigation, the outboard trailing-edge flaps (trailing-edge segment 3) were evaluated as a possible source of roll control. Presented in figure 39 are the variations of \( C_y \), \( C_n \), and \( C_{\kappa} \) with deflections of the left-hand outboard flap. The data show that deflections of \( \pm 30^\circ \) of the outboard surface produced an increment of \( C_{\kappa} \) of only about 0.01. This magnitude of roll control effectiveness is generally similar to values obtained from the deflection of outboard surfaces on other highly swept configurations previously tested (see refs. 13 and 14). An evaluation of roll control requirements for satisfactory handling qualities indicates that this level of control effectiveness may be insufficient for some operational conditions. For example, in terms of the roll control required to trim the rolling moments resulting from sideslip, an examination of the effective dihedral characteristics of the present model (see fig. 38) shows that a \( 10^\circ \) sideslip angle would require a value of \( C_{\kappa} \) of 0.03 for roll trim near an \( \alpha \) of \( 10^\circ \). On this
basis, it appears that additional means of roll control would be required for satisfactory operation in the landing and takeoff modes where crosswinds could produce sideslip angles of this magnitude. It is possible that differential deflection of full-span trailing-edge flaps or various combinations of the trailing-edge flaps could produce adequate roll control; however, no data of this type were obtained for the present model.

Presented in figure 40 are the variations of $C_\gamma$, $C_n$, and $C_\phi$ with deflections of the twin rudders. The data show that the rudder effectiveness decreases with increasing angle of attack. At low angles of attack, rudder deflections of $\pm 20^\circ$ produced a value of $C_n$ of about 0.03. This control effectiveness is generally similar to that shown in references 13 and 14 for configurations having geometric characteristics generally similar to those of the present model. An examination of the directional stability data for the present model (fig. 38) indicates that a value of $C_n$ of 0.03 is adequate for trimming the yawing moments resulting from about $15^\circ$ of sideslip. It should also be noted that at extremely high angles of attack the asymmetric yawing moments were much larger than the yaw control provided by the rudders.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Force tests of a 1/10-scale advanced blended-arrow supersonic transport model in the Langley full-scale tunnel show the following results:

1. The clean configuration exhibited static longitudinal instability (pitchup) at an angle of attack of about $3^\circ$; however, deflecting inboard leading-edge flaps delayed the pitchup to an angle of attack of about $18^\circ$.

2. Deflecting full-span trailing-edge flaps and leading-edge flaps increased the lift coefficient from a value of about 0.35 for the clean configuration to a value of about 0.50 (untrimmed) at an angle of attack of $9.5^\circ$ (estimated tail scrape angle).
3. The model exhibited satisfactory lateral-directional characteristics for angles of attack up to about $\alpha = 16^\circ$. At higher angles of attack the directional stability increased markedly; however, the effective dihedral decreased to nearly zero near $\alpha = 24^\circ$.

4. The deflection of leading- and trailing-edge flaps and the addition of a canard for longitudinal trim reduced the level of directional stability at high angles of attack.

5. Outboard trailing-edge flaps were relatively ineffective for roll control; particularly for roll trim during takeoff and landing in a crosswind.

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Vertical tails on.
Figure II: Tuft studies at $\beta = 0^\circ$, $\delta_l, 1, 2, 3 = 20.5^\circ$, $30.0^\circ$, $30.5^\circ$.

$\delta_{a,1,2,3,4} = 0^\circ$, $\delta_{5,5,4,7} = 60^\circ$, $T_c' = 0$. Vertical tails on.
Figure 12 - Tuft studies at $B = 0^\circ$, $\delta = 0^\circ$, $\pi, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}$, $\delta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{8}$, $\delta = \frac{\pi}{8}$. Vertical tails on.
Figure 13. - Tuft studies at $\phi = 10^\circ$, $\theta = 19.5^\circ$, $30^\circ$, $30.5^\circ$, $\delta = 1.2.3.4 = 45^\circ$, $\delta$, $5.6.7 = 60^\circ$, $T_0 = 0$. Vertical tails on.
Figure 14. - Tuft studies with canard on. $\beta = 10^\circ$, $\delta_{4, 1, 2, 3} = 30.0^\circ, 30.6^\circ, 30.5^\circ$, $\delta_{n, 1, 2, 3, 4} = 45^\circ$, $\delta_{n, 5, 6, 7} = 60^\circ$, $T_{c^*} = 0$. Vertical tails on.
Figure 15. - Effect of Reynolds number. Vertical tails on. $\delta_1 = \delta'$, $\delta_2 = \delta'$, $\beta = \delta'$, $T_c = 0$. 

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Figure 16. - Effect of vertical tails. \( \delta_l = 0^\circ, \delta_r = 0^\circ, \beta = 0^\circ, \gamma = 0^\circ \).
Figure 17. Effect of wing L.E. flap and T.E. flap deflection. $\delta_{n, 4, 5, 6, 7} = \delta$, $\beta = \delta$, $T_c = 0$. 

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Figure 18: Effect of full-span flap deflection, \( \delta_{n,1,2,3,4} = \delta \), \( \delta_{n,5,6,7} = \delta' \), \( \beta = 0 \), \( \gamma_{c} = 0 \).
Figure 19. - Effect of wing L.E. flap deflection. \( \delta_{n,1,2,3} = 20^\circ, 30^\circ, 30^\circ, \delta_{n,1,2,3} = 45^\circ, \alpha = \theta, r_c = 0 \).
Figure 20. - Effect of outboard L.E. flap deflection. $\delta_{n,5,6,7} = 60^\circ$, $\beta = 0^\circ$, $T_c = 0$. 

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\begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c|c}
\delta_{f}, \ deg & \delta_{m}, \ deg \\
1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
\hline
- & 20 & 30 & 30 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- & 20 & 30 & 30 & 45 & 45 & 45 \\
- & 30 & 30 & 30 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
- & 30 & 30 & 30 & 45 & 45 & 45 \\
\end{array}
\]
Figure 21. Effect of deflecting a 0.020S canard. $\delta_n, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45^\circ$, $\delta_n, 5, 6, 7 = 60^\circ$, $\beta = 0^\circ$, $T_c = 0$. 

\( \delta_f, \text{deg} \)

\begin{tabular}{ccc}
1 & 2 & 3 \\
\hline
20 & 20 & 20 & Off \\
20 & 20 & 20 & On \\
30 & 30 & 30 & Off \\
30 & 30 & 30 & On \\
\end{tabular}
Figure 22. - Effect of increasing canard area and canard incidence. δn, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45°, δn, 5, 6, 7 = 60°, β = 0°, Tc' = 0.

(a) δi, 1, 2, 3 = 20°.
Figure 22 - Concluded.
Figure 23. - Effect of engine thrust. $\delta_1, 1, 2, 3 = 30^\circ$, $\delta_5, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45^\circ$, $\delta_5, 5, 6, 7 = 60^\circ$, 0.020S canard, $\beta = 0^\circ$. 
Figure 24. - Effect of thrust vectoring. $\delta_{1,2,3,4} = 45^\circ$, $\delta_{0,5,6,7} = 60^\circ$, 0.020 S canard, $\beta = 0^\circ$. 

(a) $\delta_{1,2,3} = 20^\circ$
(b) $\delta f_{1,2,3} = 30^\circ$

Figure 24. - Concluded.
Figure 25. - Longitudinal control effectiveness. \( \delta_{1,2,3} = 30^\circ \) (Inboard flap variable)

\( \delta_{n,1,2,3,4} = 45^\circ \), \( \delta_{n,5,6,7} = 60^\circ \), \( \beta = 0^\circ \), \( \gamma = 0 \)
Figure 25. Continued...

0° δ3 = 30° (Inboard and center flap variable)

Figure 25. - Continued.
(c) Inboard, center, and outboard flap variable

Figure 25 - Continued.
(d) $\delta_{f, 1, 2} = 30^\circ$ (Outboard flap variable)

Figure 25. - Concluded.
Figure 26. - Longitudinal control effectiveness with 0.0235 canard, and with engines operating, \( \delta_{e,3} = 30^\circ \),
\( \delta_{h,1,2,3,4} = 0^\circ \), \( \delta_{h,5,6,7} = 60^\circ \), \( \beta = 0^\circ \), \( r_c' = 0.10 \).
Figure 27.- Effect of sideslip. $\beta_l = 0^\circ$, $\delta_h = 0^\circ$, $\alpha_l = 0$.

(a) Reynolds number $= 6.78 \times 10^6$. 

Sideslip. $\beta_l = 0^\circ$, $\delta_h = 0^\circ$, $\alpha_l = 0$. 

L/D
(b) Reynolds number = $8.92 \times 10^6$.
Figure 27, - Continued.
Figure 27. — Continued.

(c) Reynolds number = 11.65 x 10^6.
(d) Reynolds number = 13.85 × 10^6.

Figure 27, Concluded.
Figure 2L - Effect of vertical tails, $\beta_t = 0^\circ$, $\delta_r = 0^\circ$, $T_c = 0$. 

(a) $\beta = 0^\circ$. 
Figure 26 - Continued.
\( \frac{L}{D} \)

\( C_m \)

\( C_L \)

\( C_D \)

\( (c) \beta = 10^\circ \).

Figure 28. - Continued.
Figure 28. - Concluded.

\( \beta = -5^\circ \).

Figure 28. - Concluded.
Figure 29. - Effect of sideslip. $\delta_f, 1, 2, 3 = 20^\circ, 30^\circ, 45^\circ$, $\delta_r, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 30^\circ, 5, 6, 5 = 60^\circ$, $T_c^* = 0$. 

$L/D$
Figure 30. - Effect of sideslip with a 0.020 S canard, $\delta_f, 1, 2, 3 = 30^\circ$, $\delta_n, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45^\circ$, $\delta_n, 5, 6, 7 = 60^\circ$, $T_c = 0$. 
Figure 3L - Effect of sideslip on the lateral-directional characteristics of the clean wing with vertical tails. $\tau_c = \alpha$.
Figure 32. Effect of sideslip on the lateral-directional characteristics. Vertical tails, $\delta n, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45^\circ$, $\delta n, 5, 6, 7 = 60^\circ$, $\gamma_c = 0$. $C_n$, $C_y$, $C_d$ vs $\gamma$, deg.
Figure 33 - Effect of sideslip on the lateral - directional characteristics with a 0.020 S canard and vertical tails.

$\delta_1, 2, 3 = 30^\circ$, $\delta_{n1, 2, 3, 4} = 45^\circ$, $\delta_{n5, 5, 6, 7} = 60^\circ$, $\gamma_t = 0$. 

$\alpha$, deg

$C_y$

$C_n$

$C_l$
Figure 34. - Effect of Reynolds number on the lateral and directional characteristics of the clean wing with vertical tails. \( \beta = 0^\circ, T_c = 0 \).
Figure 35. - Effect of Reynolds number on the static lateral-directional stability derivatives of the clean configuration. Vertical tails on. $T_c = 0$. 

$C_{Y_B}$ vs. $\alpha$, deg 

$C_{n_B}$ vs. $\alpha$, deg 

$C_{l_B}$ vs. $\alpha$, deg 

Reynolds number 
- $6.78 \times 10^6$ 
- 8.92 
- 11.65 
- 13.85
Figure 36. Effect of vertical tails on the static lateral-directional stability derivatives of the clean configuration. $T_c = 0$. 
Figure 37. - Effect of L.E. and T.E. flaps on the static lateral-directional stability derivatives. \( \delta_l, 1, 2, 3, = 20^\circ, 30^\circ, 30^\circ, \delta_{l, 1, 2, 3, 4} = 45^\circ, \delta_{l, 5, 6, 7} = 60^\circ, T_C = 0. \)
Figure 38. - Effect of 0.020 S canard on the static lateral - directional stability derivatives, 
\( \delta_n, 1, 2, 3, 4 = 45^\circ, \delta_n, 5, 6, 7 = 60^\circ, \tau_c = 0. \)
Figure 39. Lateral control effectiveness of outboard T.E. flaps. $\delta_{f,1,2} = 30^\circ$, $\delta_{n,1,2,3,4} = 45^\circ$, $\delta_{n,5,6,7} = 60^\circ$, $\beta = 0^\circ$, $T_c^* = 0$. 
Figure 40. - Effect of rudder deflection on the lateral-directional characteristics. $\delta_R, \text{deg}$, $\delta_{R, 1, 2, 3} = 30^\circ$, $\delta_{n, 1, 2, 3, 4} = 45^\circ$, $\delta_{n, 5, 6, 7} = 60^\circ$, 0.025S canard, $T'_c = 0$. 