

APPENDIX 3-B

Airplane Upset Recovery Briefing



Figure 3-B.1



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Causes of Airplane Upset

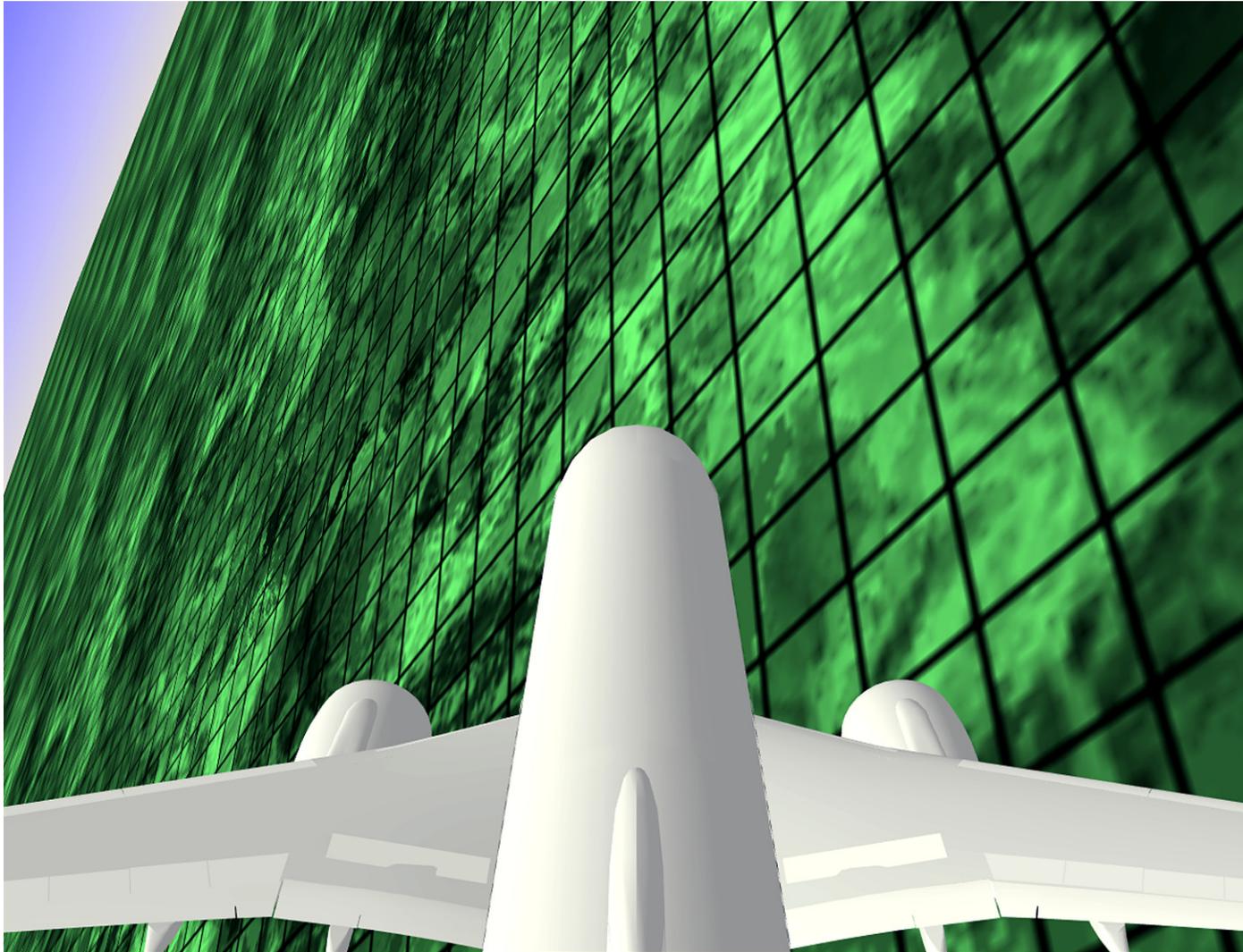


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Airplane Upset Recovery



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Upset Recovery Training Objectives

- **To increase the pilot's ability to recognize and avoid upset situations.**
- **To improve the pilot's ability to recover control, if avoidance is not successful.**

Upset Recovery Training Will Review

- **The causes of airplane upsets**
- **Swept-wing airplane fundamentals**
- **Airplane upset recovery techniques**

What is “Airplane Upset?”

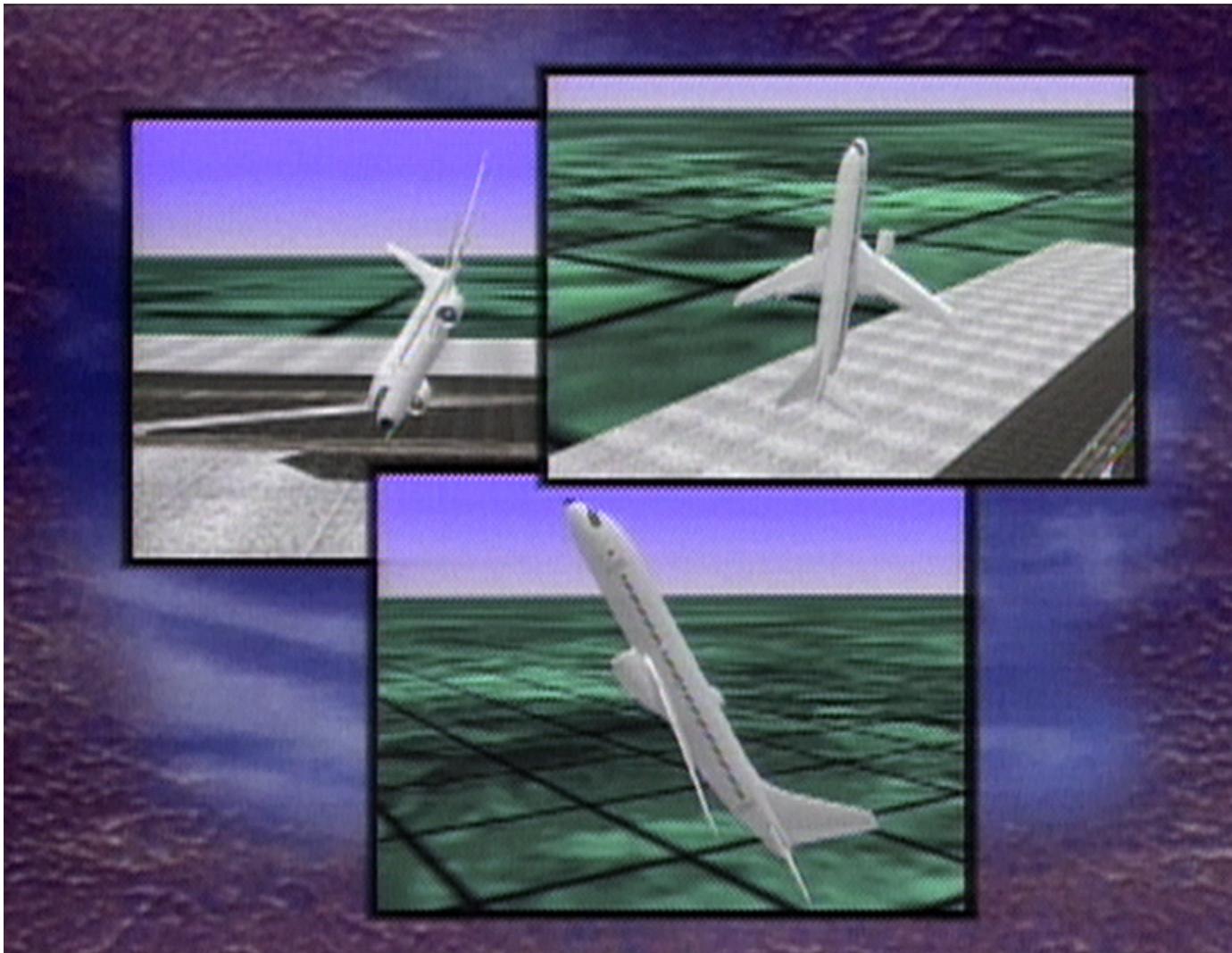


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Causes of Airplane Upset Incidents Are

- **Environmentally induced**
- **Systems-anomalies induced**
- **Pilot induced**
- **A combination of all three**

Environmental Causes of Airplane Upset Include

- **Turbulence**
- **Clear air turbulence**
- **Mountain wave**
- **Windshear**
- **Thunderstorms**
- **Microbursts**
- **Wake turbulence**
- **Airplane icing**

Turbulence Is Primarily Caused by

- **Jet streams**
- **Convective currents**
- **Obstructions to wind flow**
- **Windshear**

Clear Air Turbulence (CAT) Is Characterized by Marked Changes in

- **Pressure**
- **Temperature**
- **Wind direction**
- **Wind velocity**

Mountain Wave Turbulence

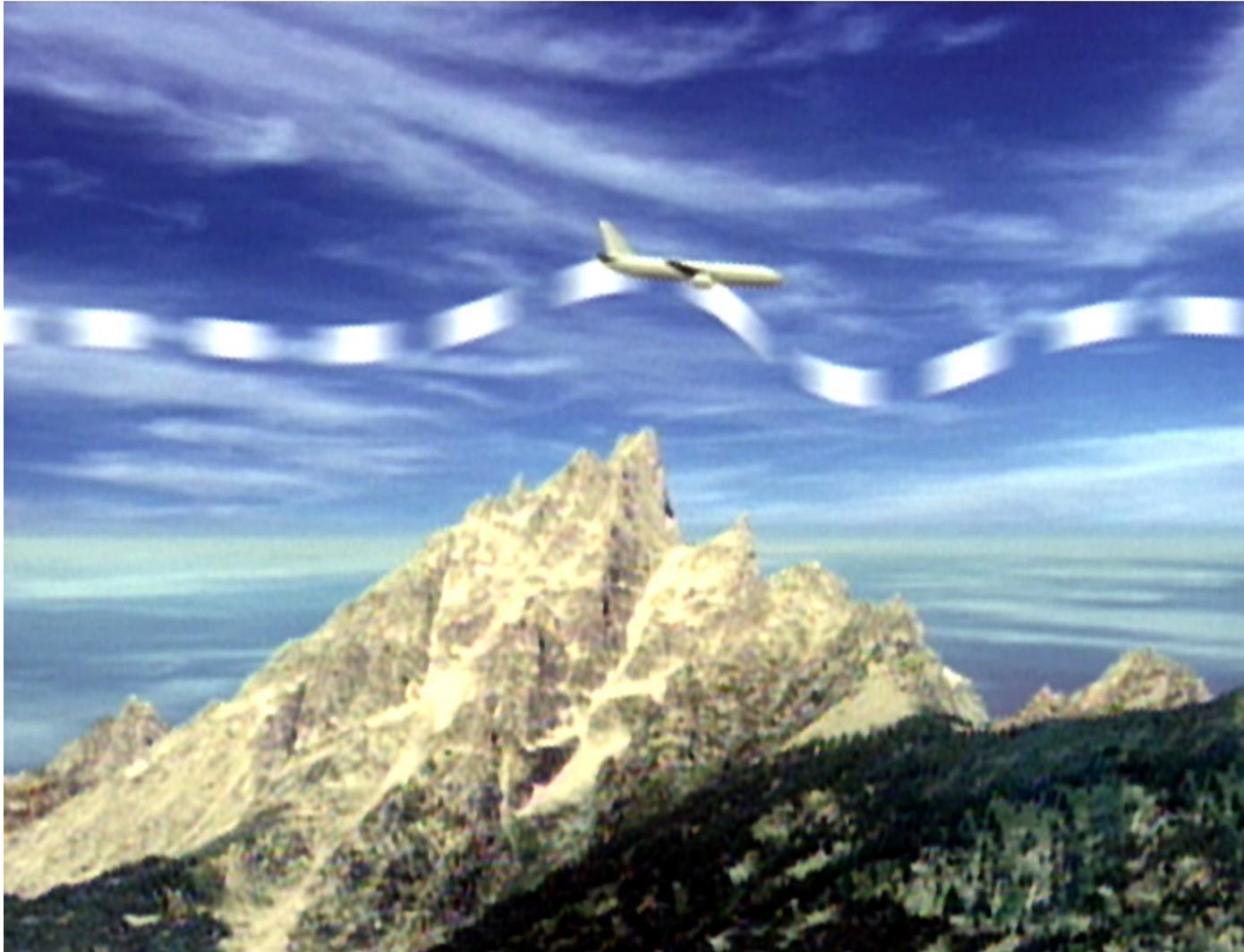


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Windshear

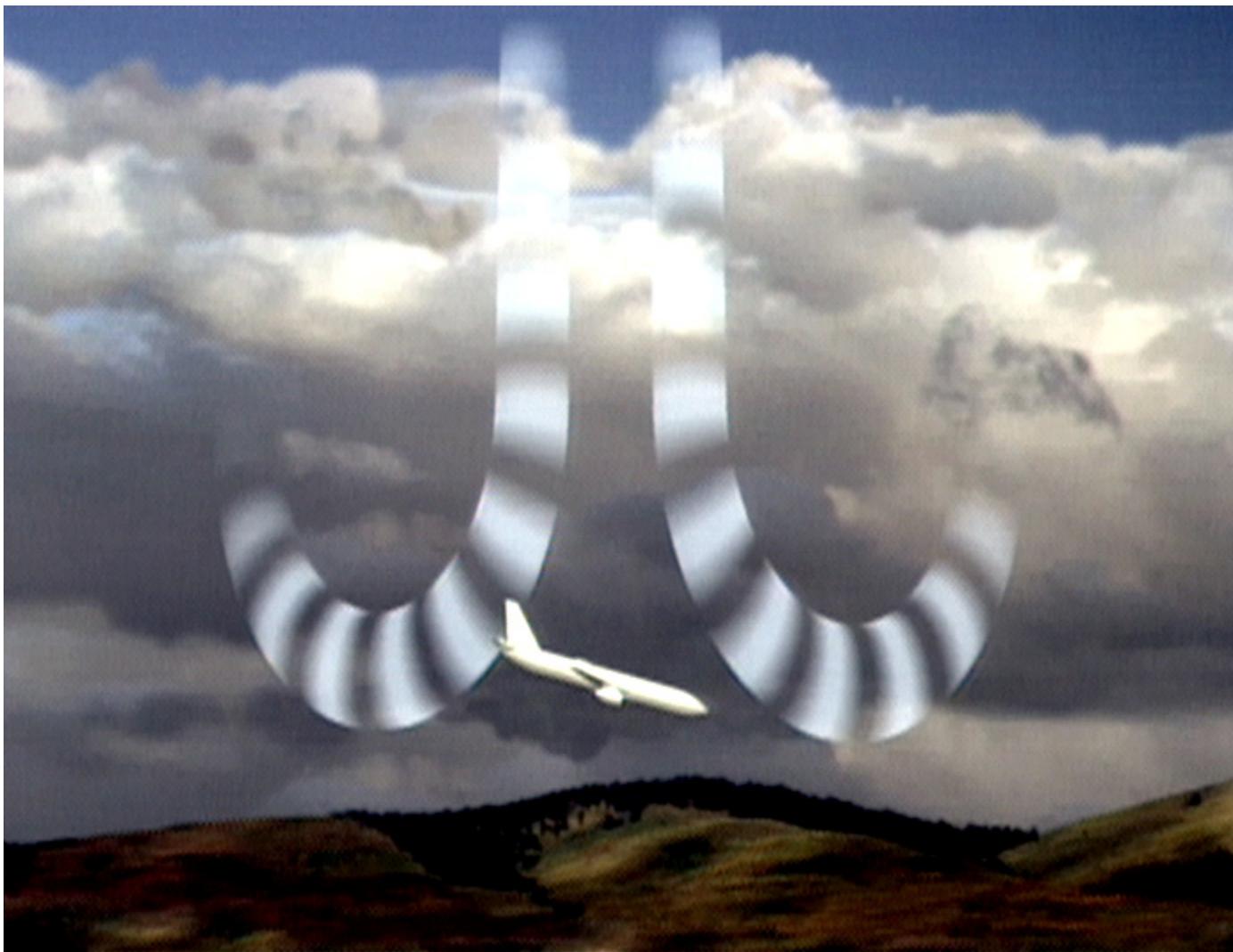


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Thunderstorms



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Microbursts

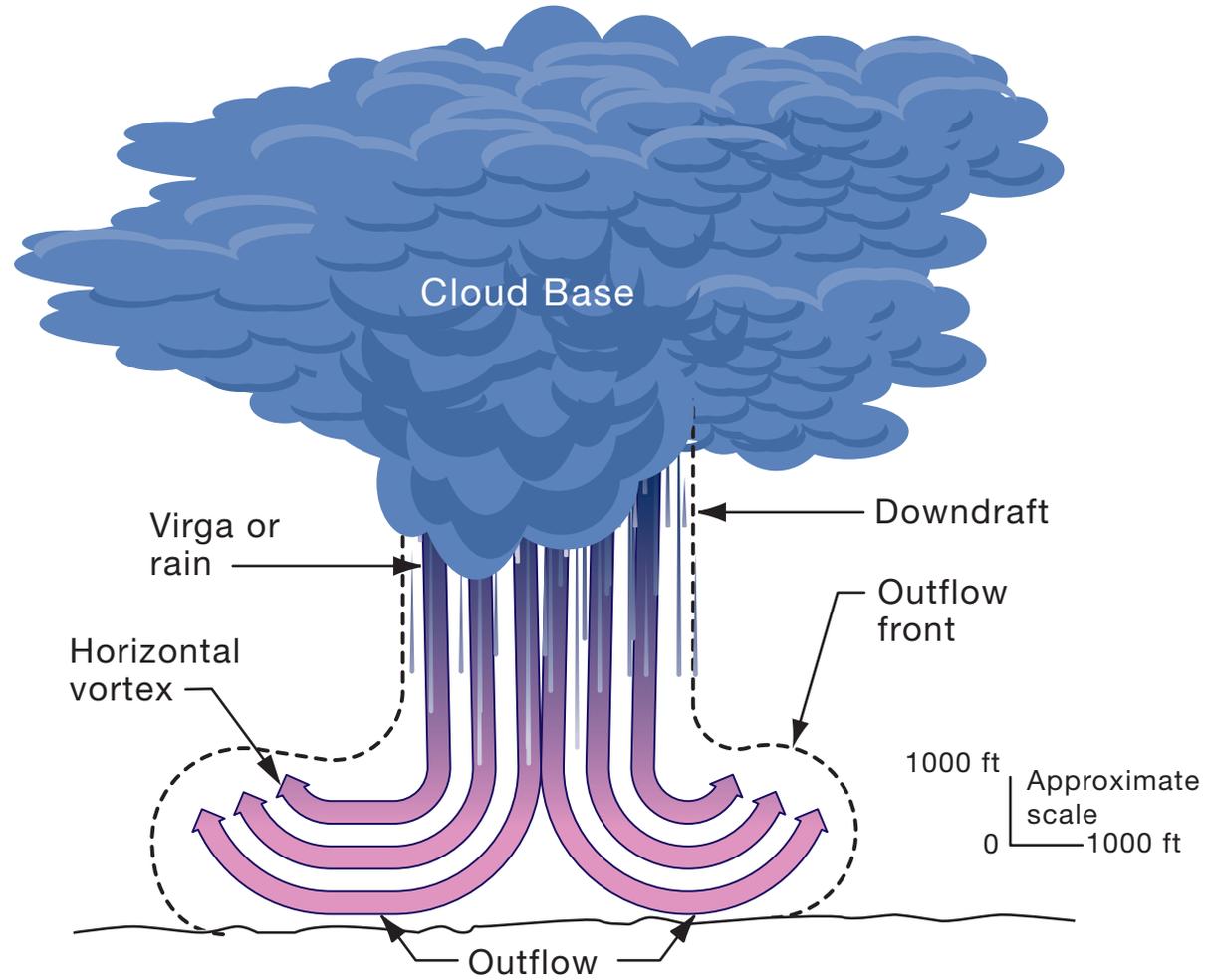


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Wake Turbulence

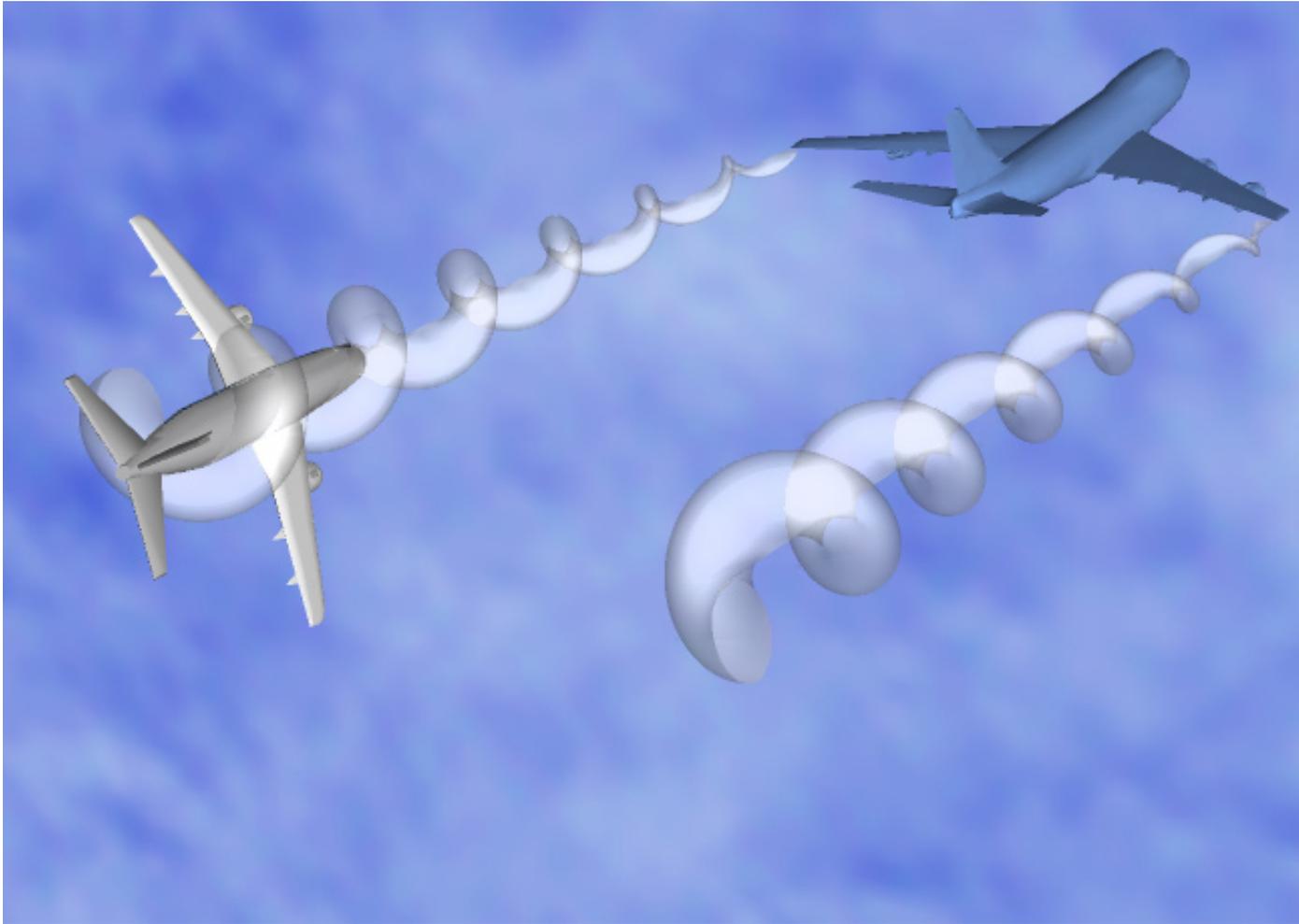


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Airplane Icing



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System-Anomalies Induced Airplane Upsets Primarily Involve

- **Flight instruments**
- **Autoflight systems**
- **Flight controls and other anomalies**

System-Anomalies Induced Airplane Upsets



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Flight Instruments



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Autoflight Systems

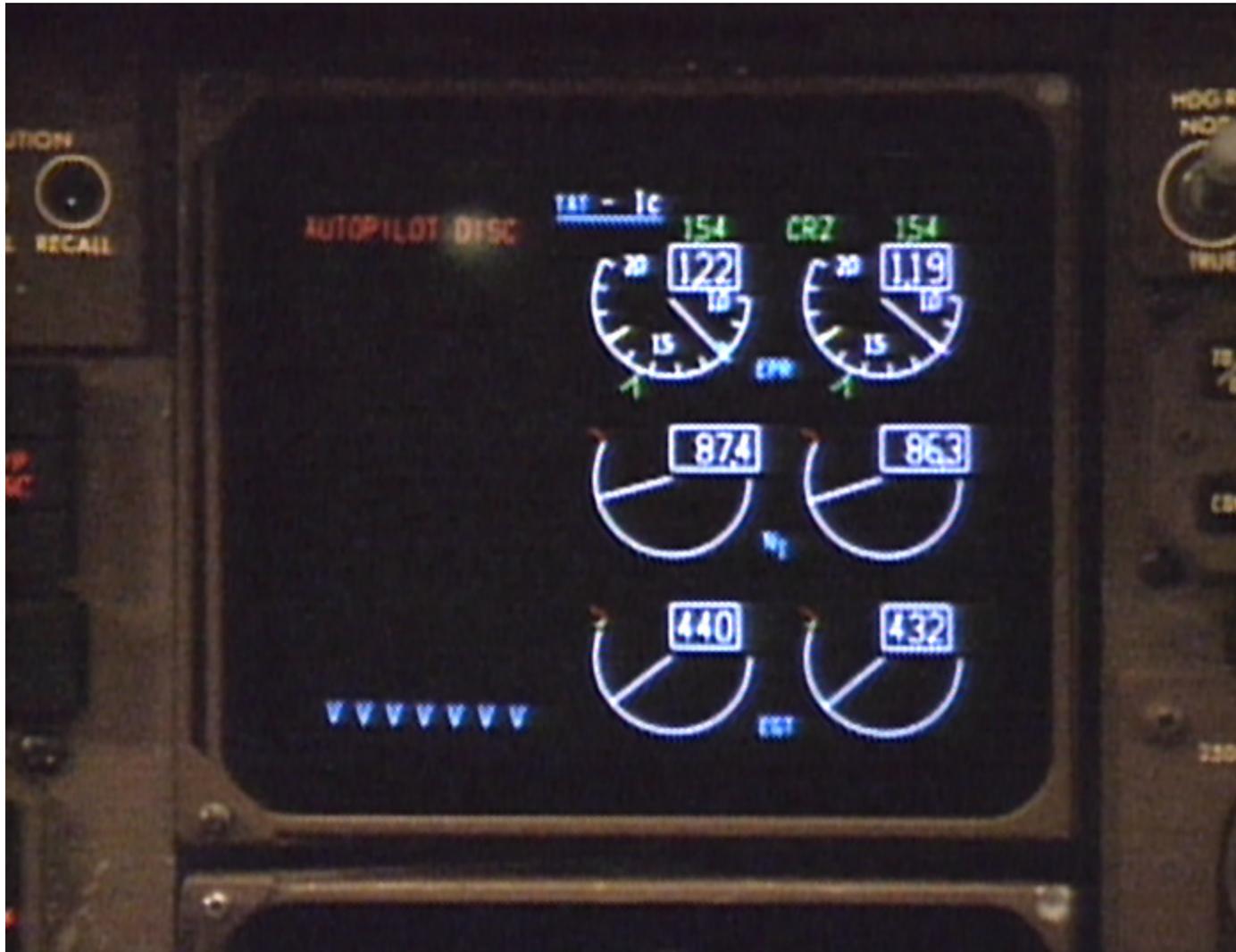


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Flight Control and Other Anomalies



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Pilot-Induced Causes of Airplane Upset Include

- **Instrument misinterpretation or slow cross-check**
- **Inattention and distraction from primary cockpit duties**
- **Vertigo or spatial disorientation**

Distraction



Figure 3-B.25

Improper Use of Airplane Automation



Figure 3-B.27

Causes of Airplane Upsets—Summary

1. Environmental:

Turbulence, CAT, mountain wave, windshear, thunderstorms, microbursts, wake turbulence, and airplane icing

2. Systems anomalies:

Flight instruments, autoflight systems, and flight control anomalies

3. Pilot induced:

Instrument cross-check, inattention and distraction from primary cockpit duties, vertigo or spatial disorientation, and improper use of airplane automation

Swept-Wing Airplane Fundamentals Will Overview

- **Flight dynamics**
- **Energy states**
- **Load factors**
- **Aerodynamic flight envelope**
- **Aerodynamics**

Flight Dynamics

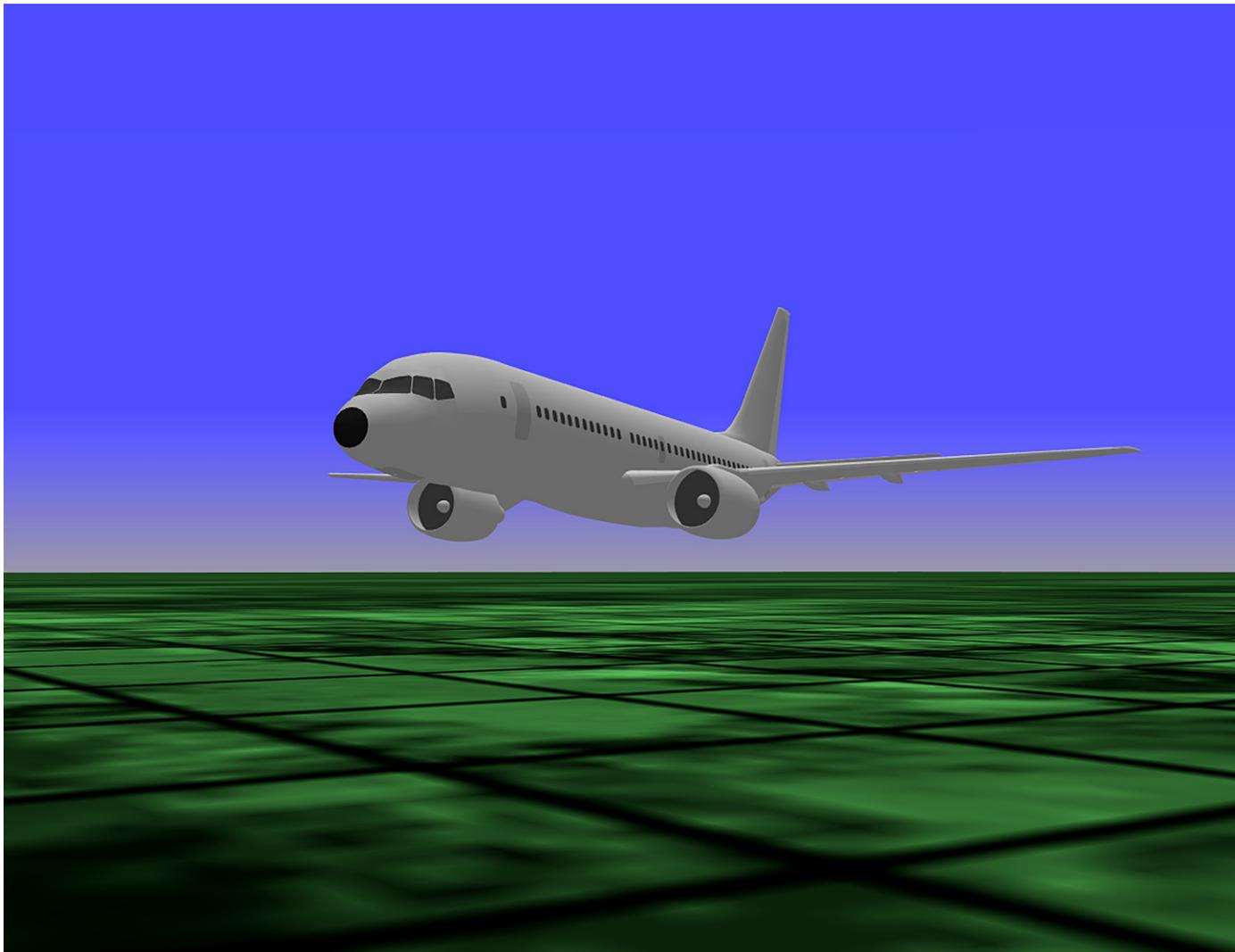


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The Three Sources of Energy Available to the Pilot Are

- 1. Kinetic energy, which increases with increasing speed**
- 2. Potential energy, which is approximately proportional to altitude**

Energy Relationships

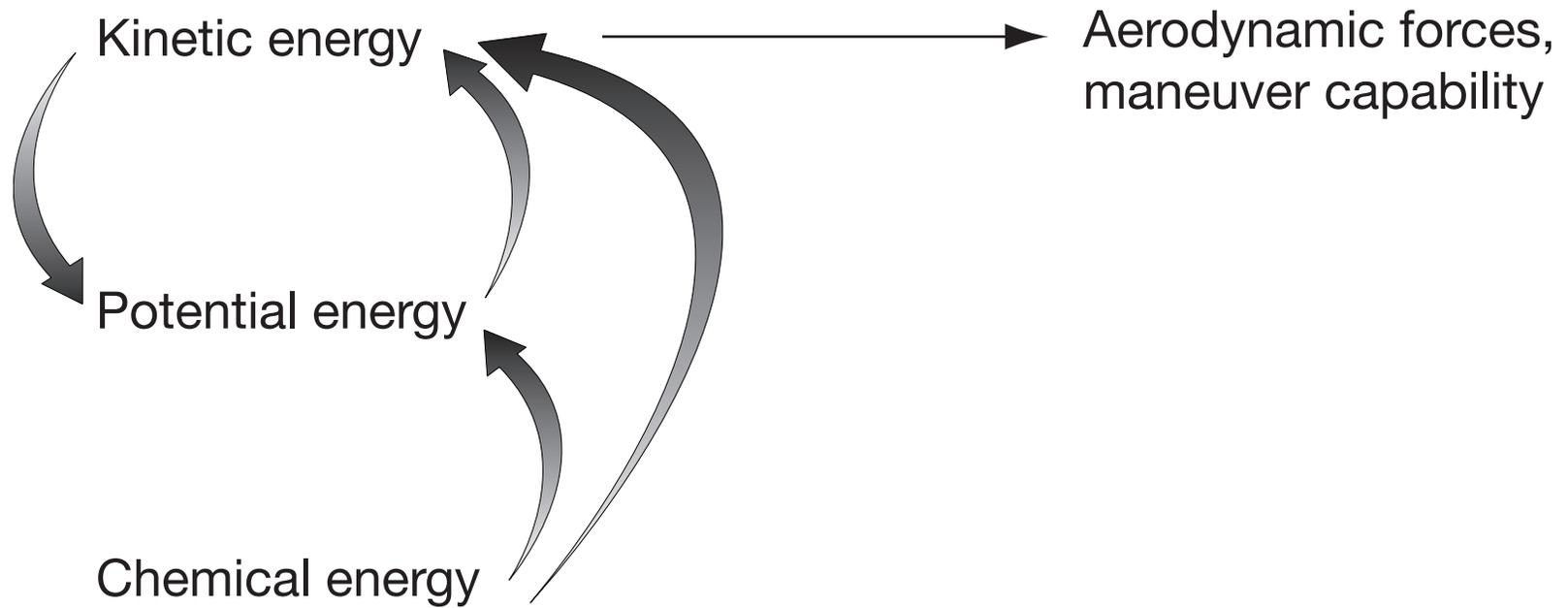


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Load Factors—Four Forces of Flight

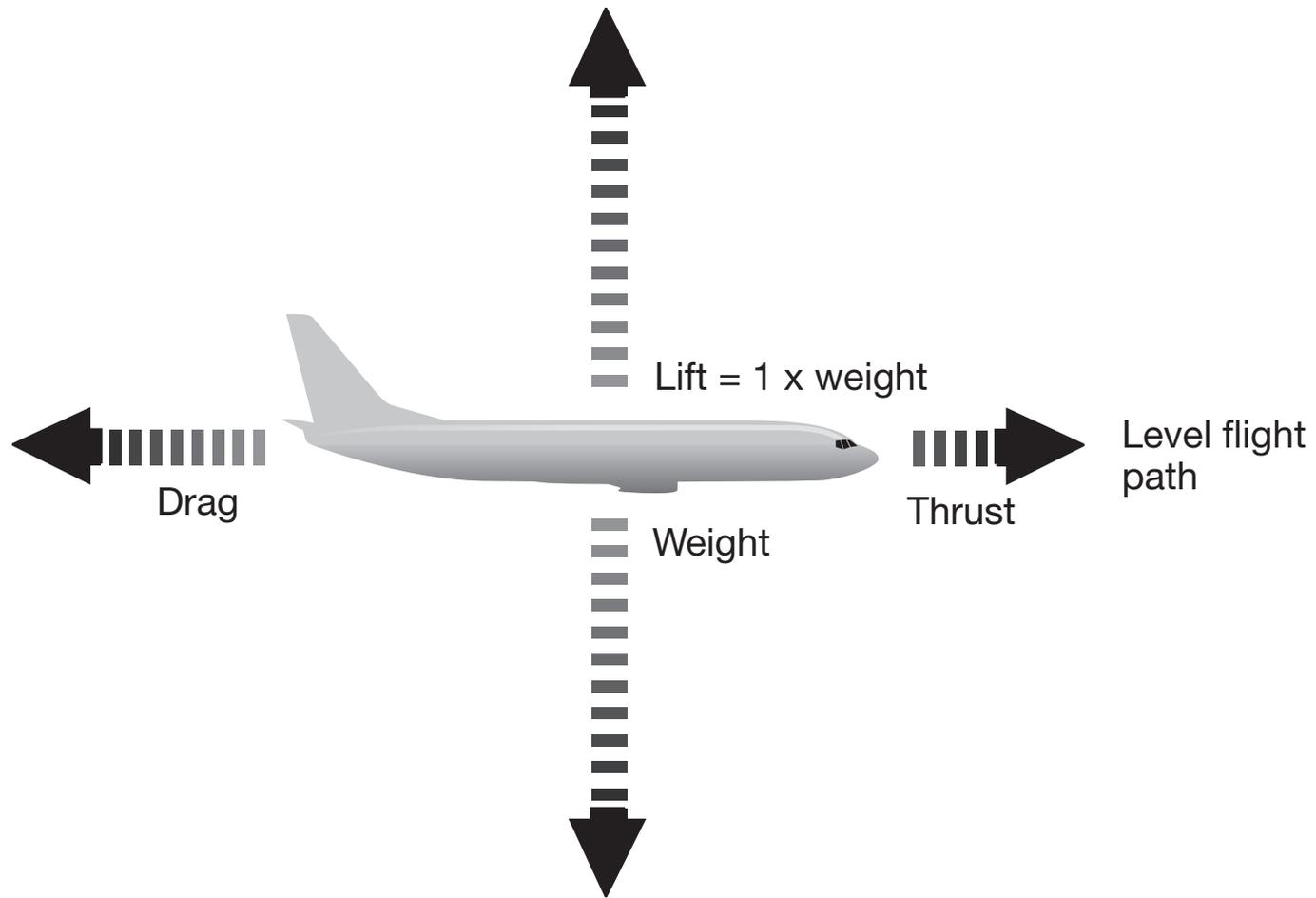


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Load Factors—Airplane in Pull-Up

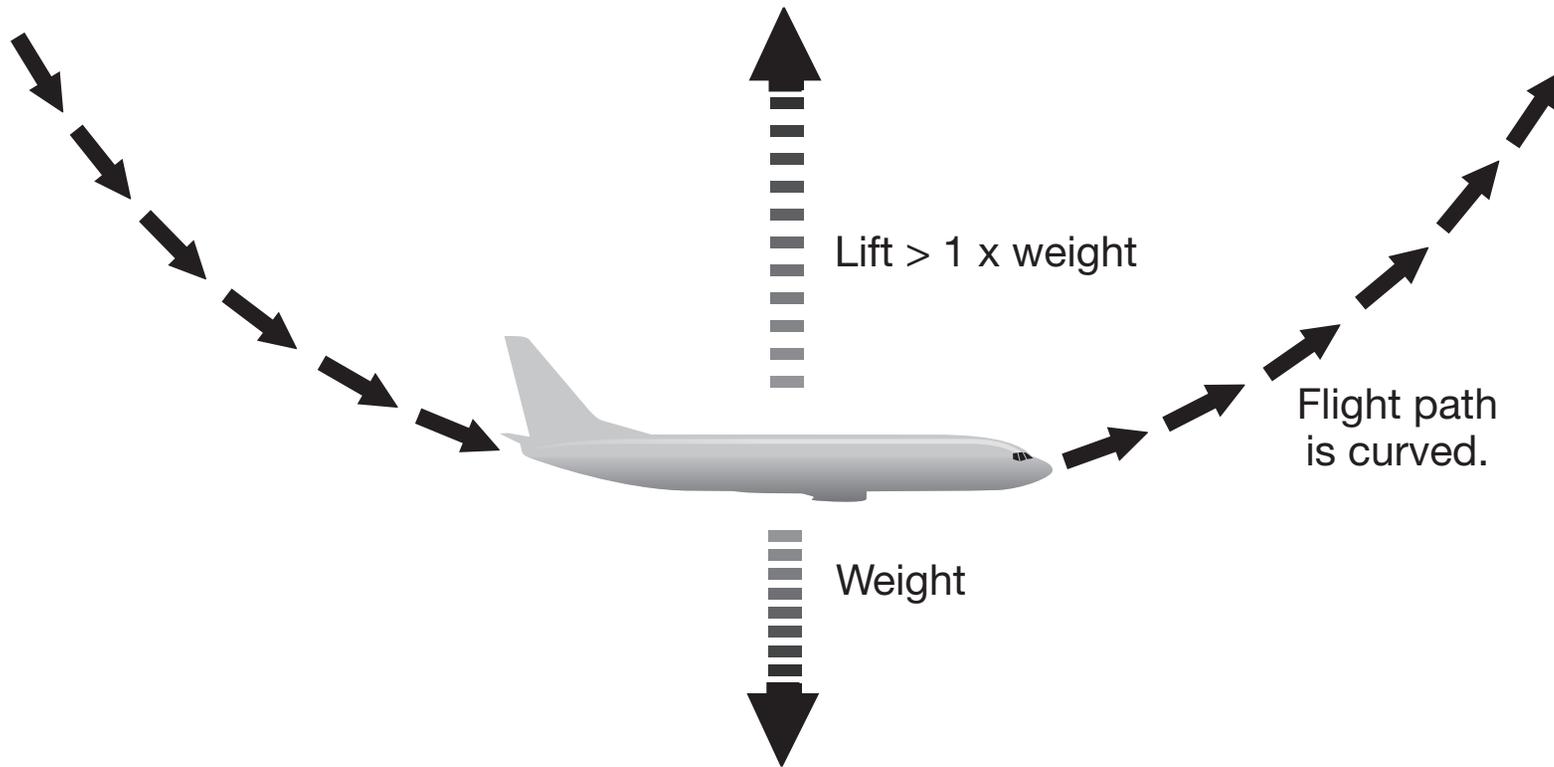


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Aerodynamic Flight Envelope

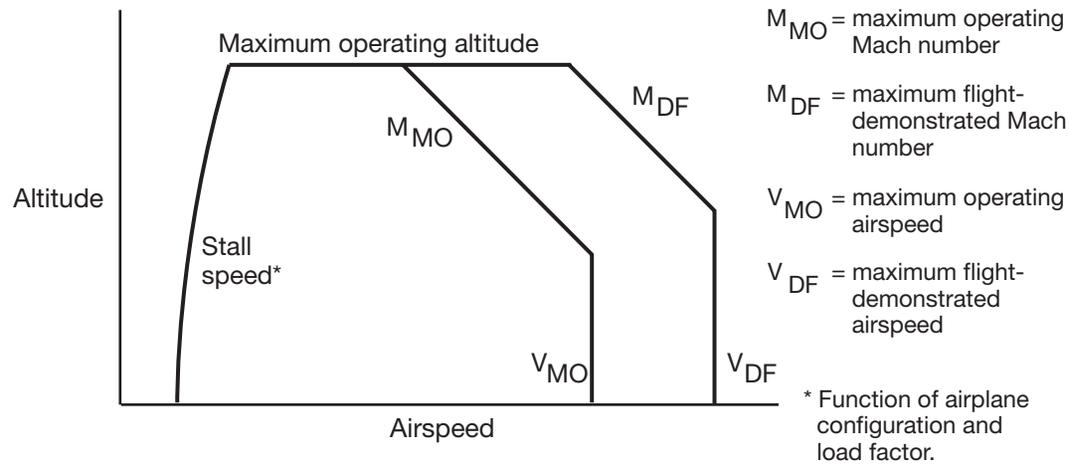
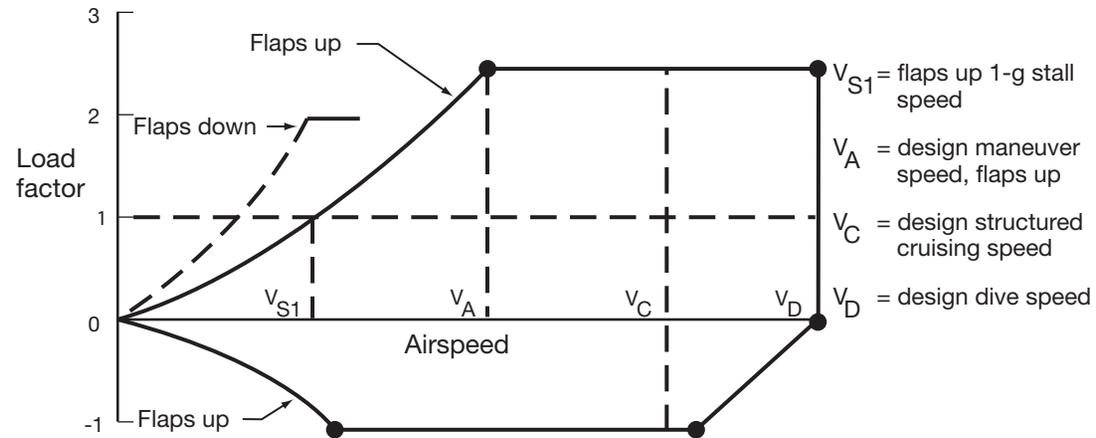


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Angle of Attack

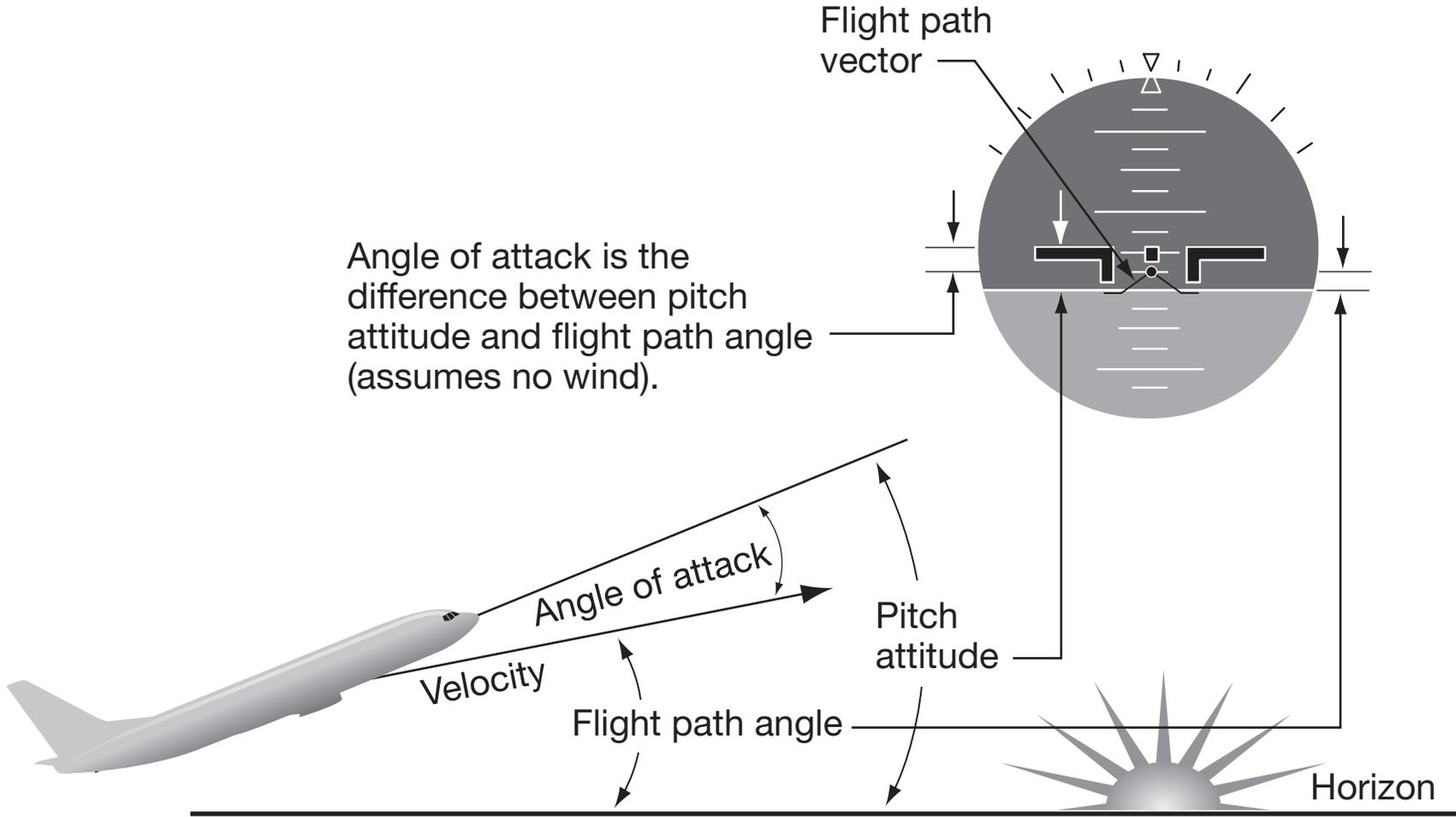


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Stalls

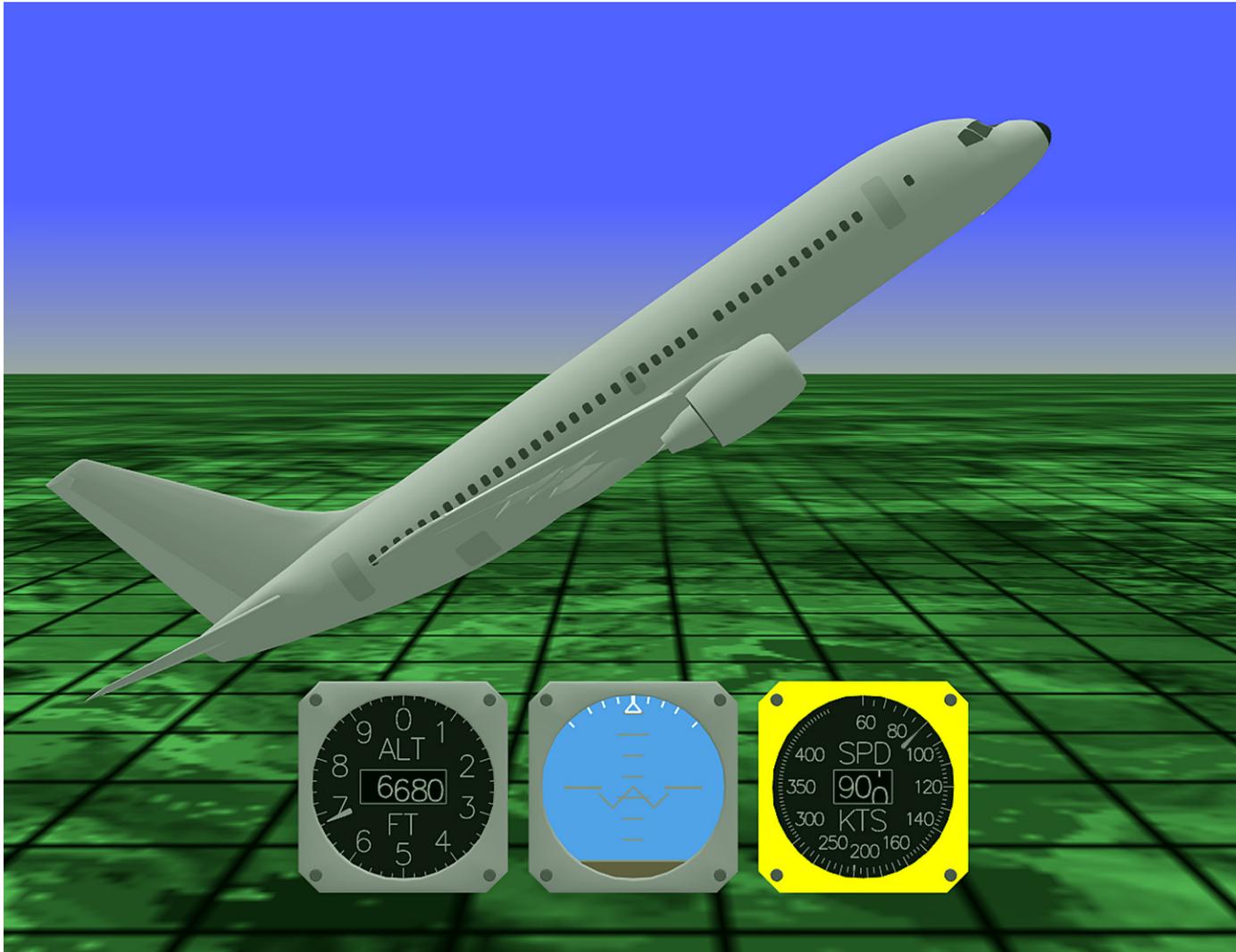
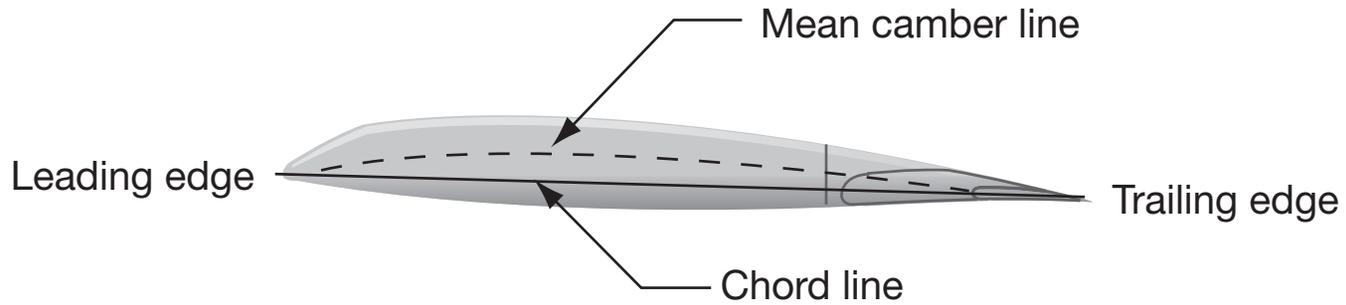


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Camber



Cambered Airfoil



Symmetrical Airfoil



Modern Aft-Cambered Airfoil

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Trailing Edge Control Surfaces

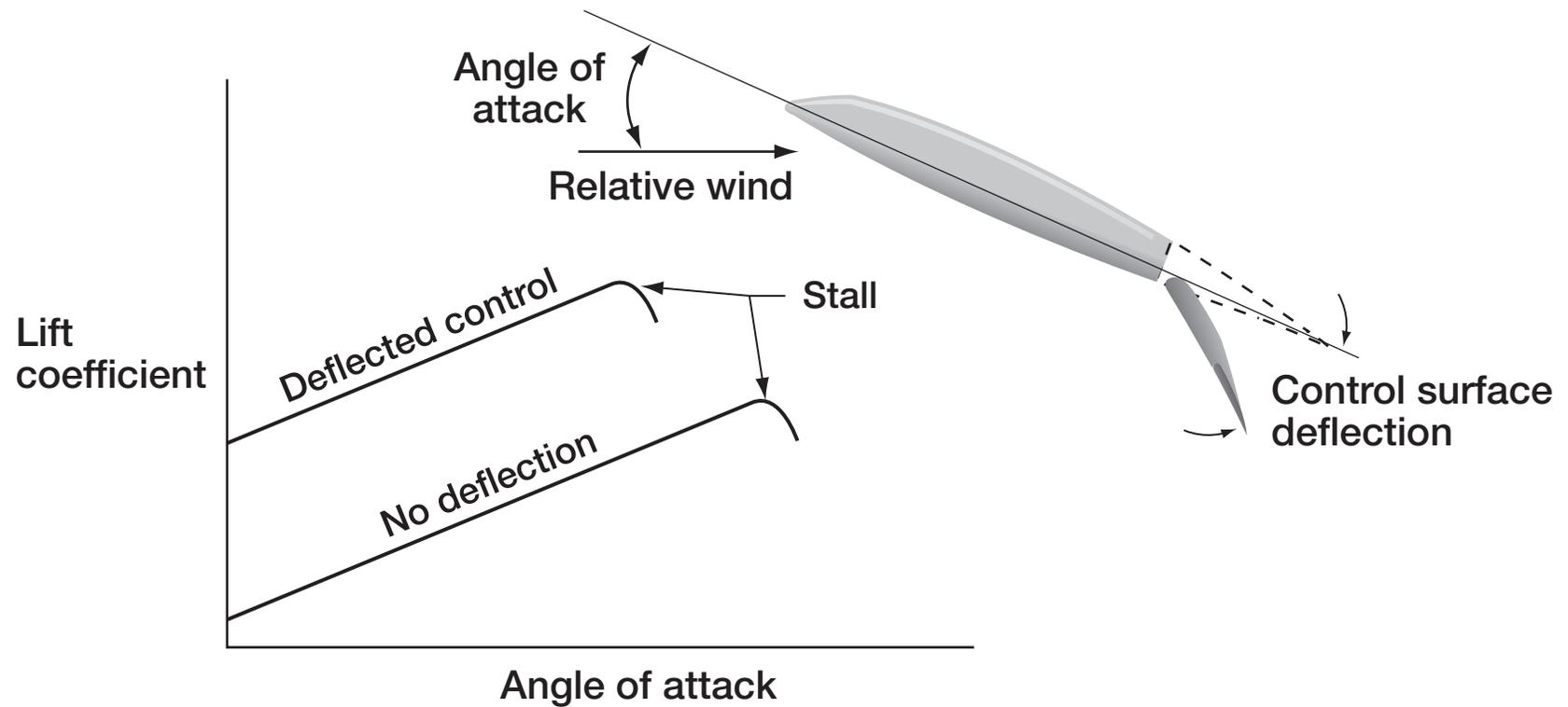


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Spoiler Devices

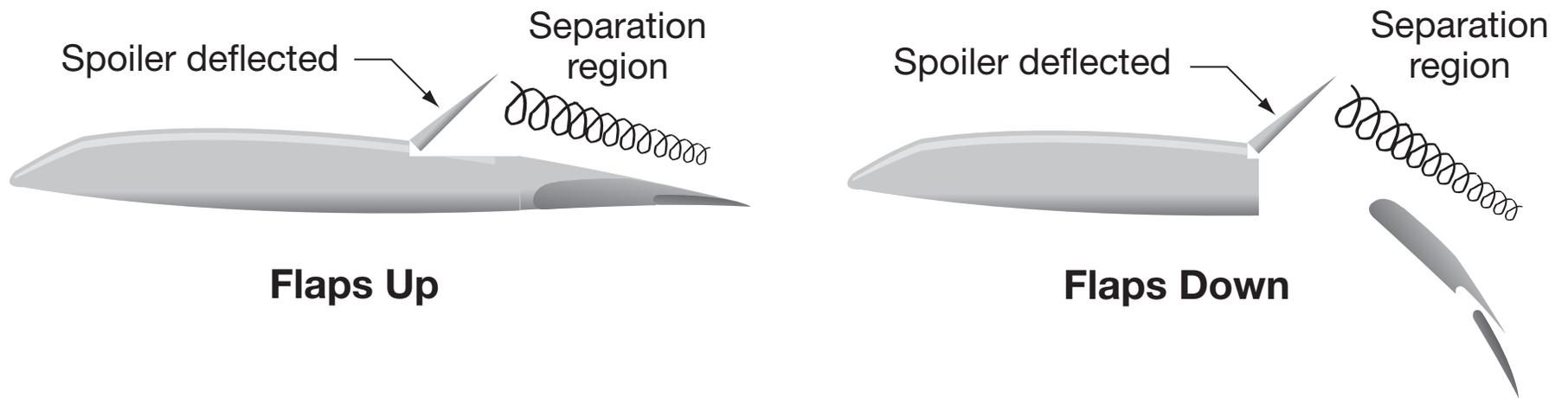


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Trim

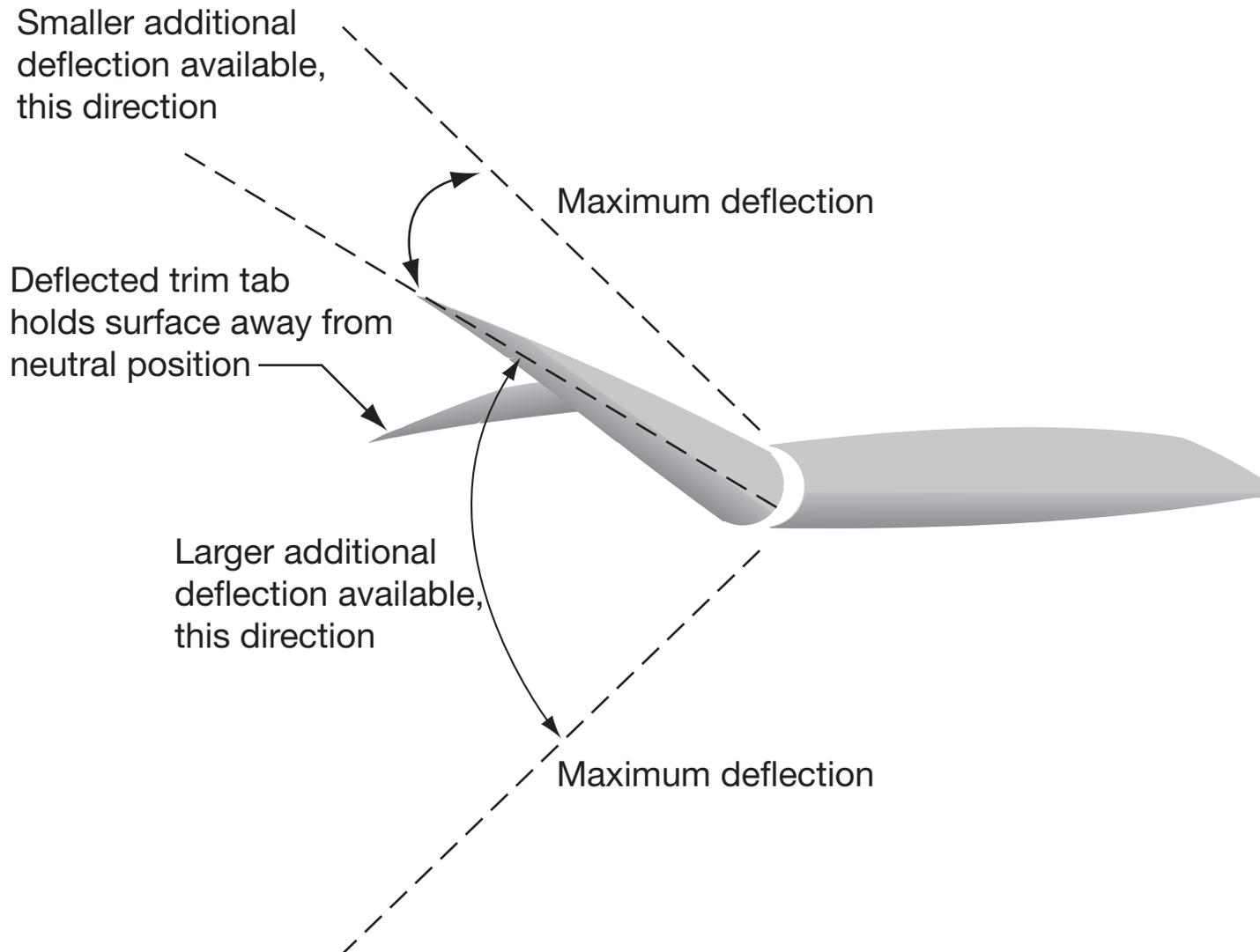


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Lateral and Directional Aerodynamic Considerations

The magnitude of coupled roll-due-to-sideslip is determined by several factors, including

- Wing dihedral effects**
- Angle of sideslip**
- Pilot-commanded sideslip**

Wing Dihedral Angle

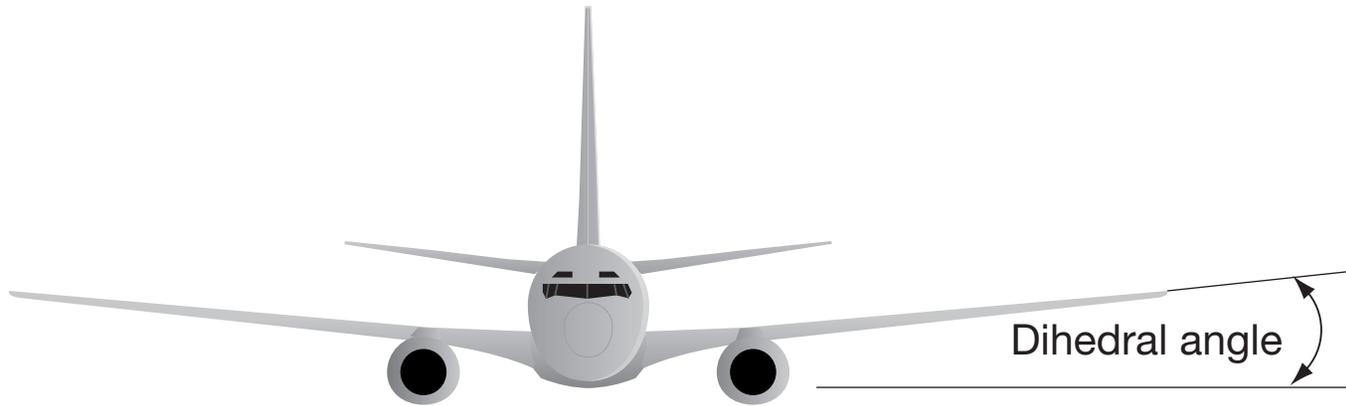


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Angle of Sideslip

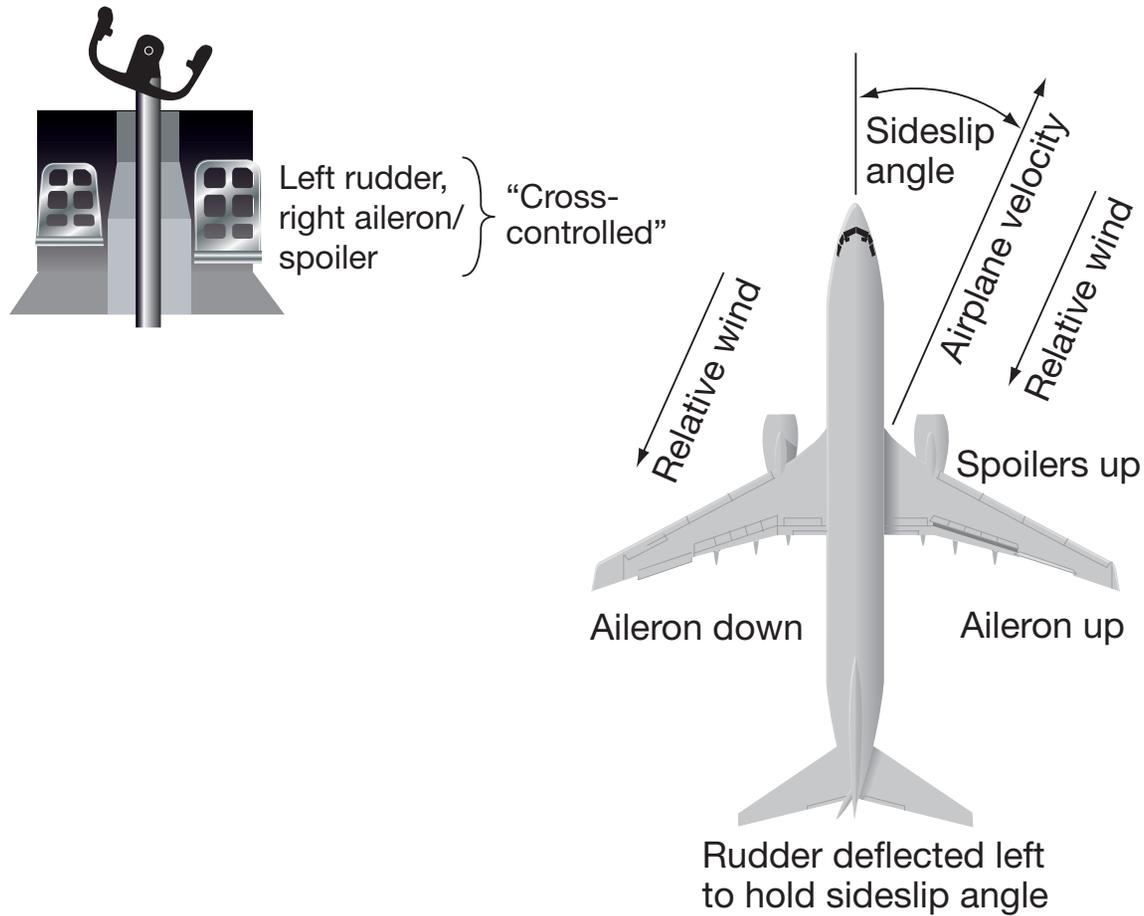


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High-Speed, High-Altitude Characteristics

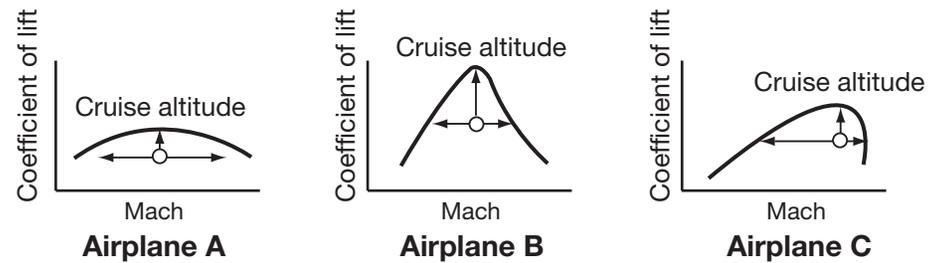
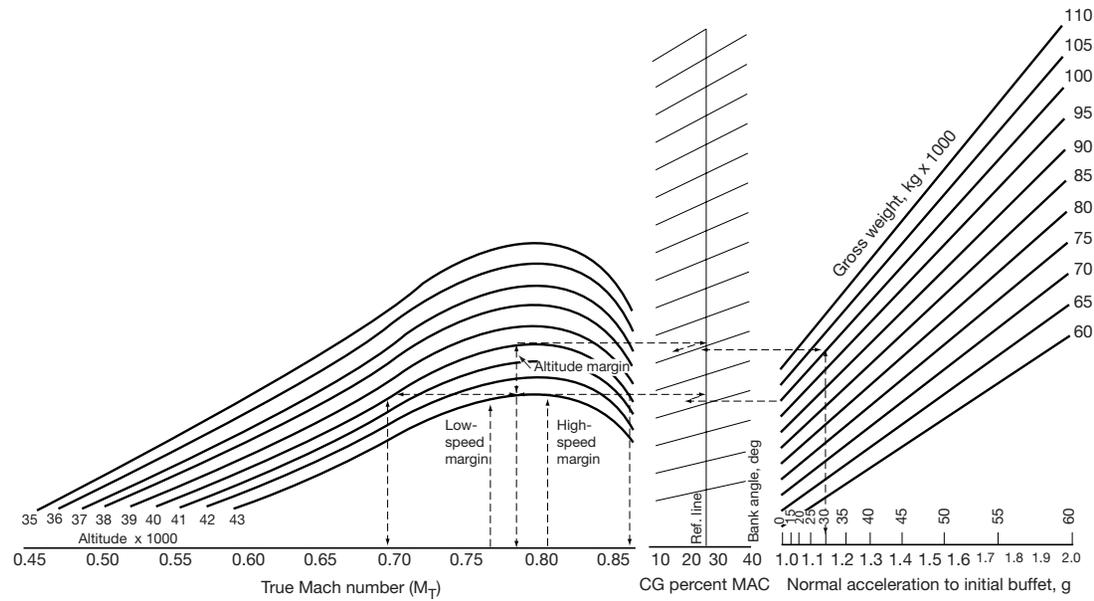
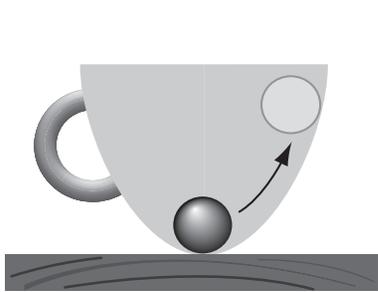


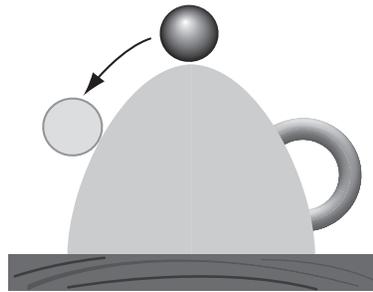
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Static Stability



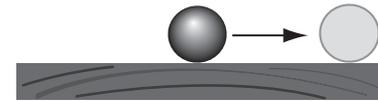
Stable

When ball is displaced, it returns to its original position.



Unstable

When ball is displaced, it accelerates from its original position.

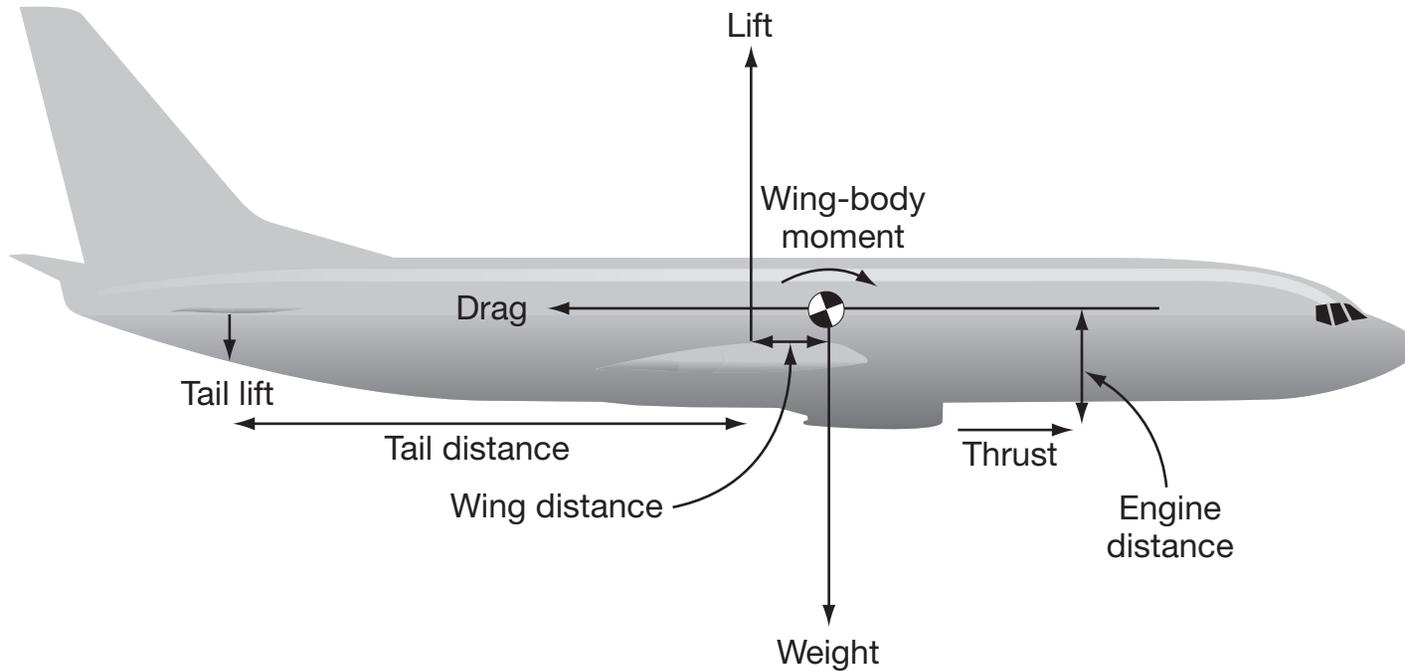


Neutral

When ball is displaced, it neither returns, nor accelerates away—it just takes up a new position.

Figure 3-B.46

Maneuvering in Pitch



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{(Moment)}_{\text{Tail}} + \text{(Moment)}_{\text{Lift}} + \text{(Moment)}_{\text{Thrust}} + \text{(Moment)}_{\text{Wing-body}} = \text{Total pitching moment} \\
 & \left(\text{Tail lift} * \text{Tail distance} \right) + \left(\text{Wing lift} * \text{Wing distance} \right) + \left(\text{Thrust} * \text{Engine distance} \right) + \text{(Moment)}_{\text{Wing-body}} = \text{Total pitching moment}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Mechanics of Turning Flight

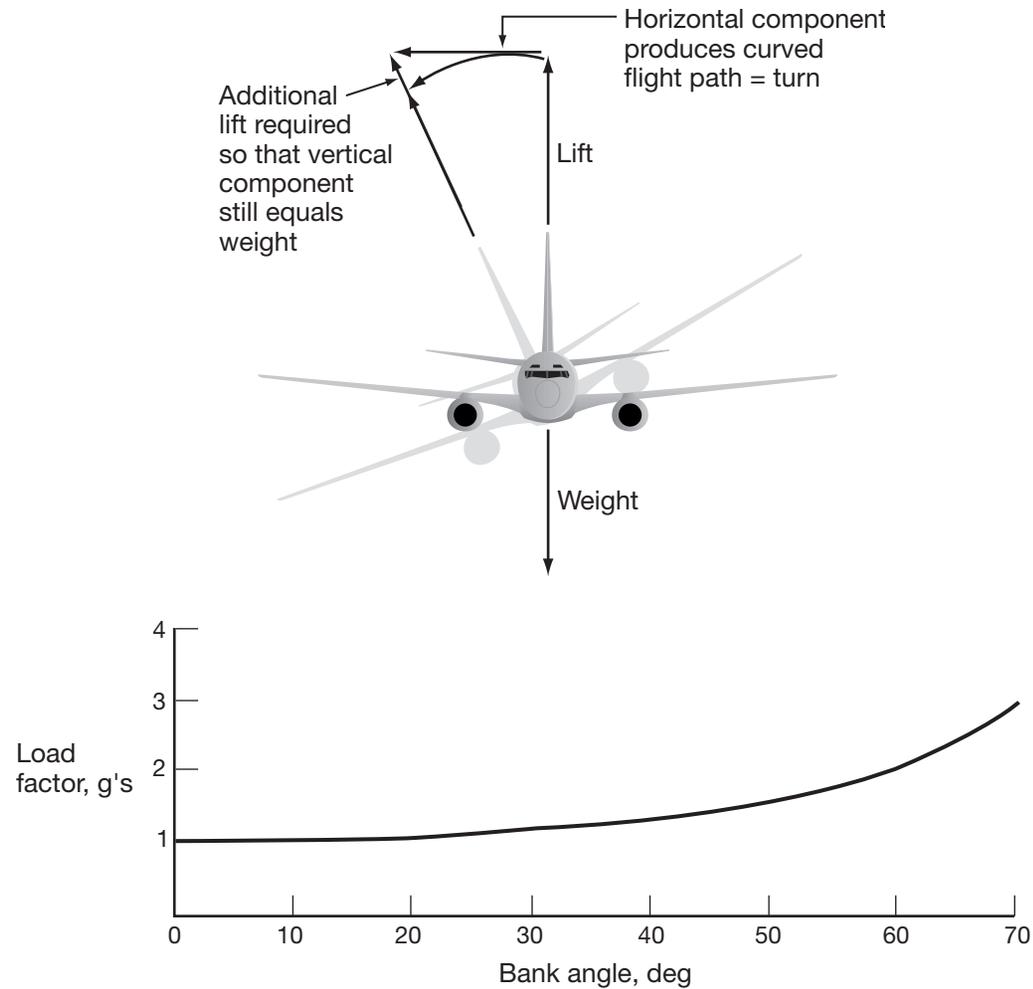


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Lateral Maneuvering—Roll Axis

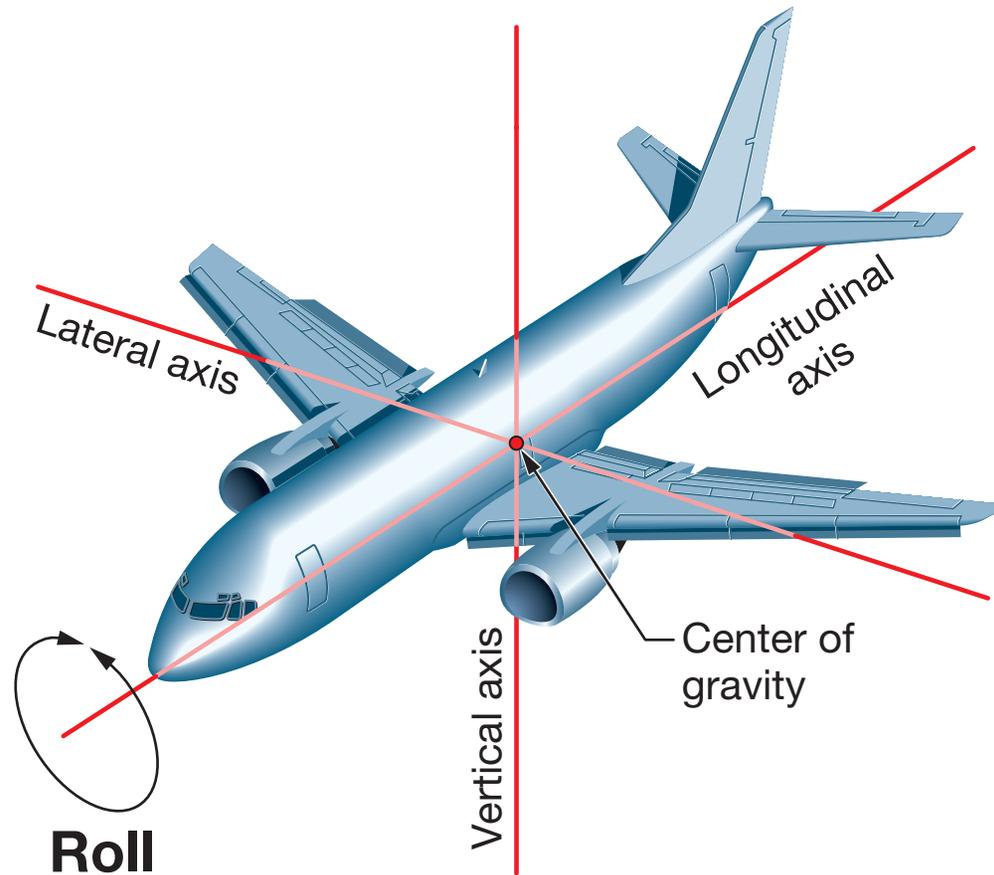


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Lateral Maneuvering—Flight Dynamics

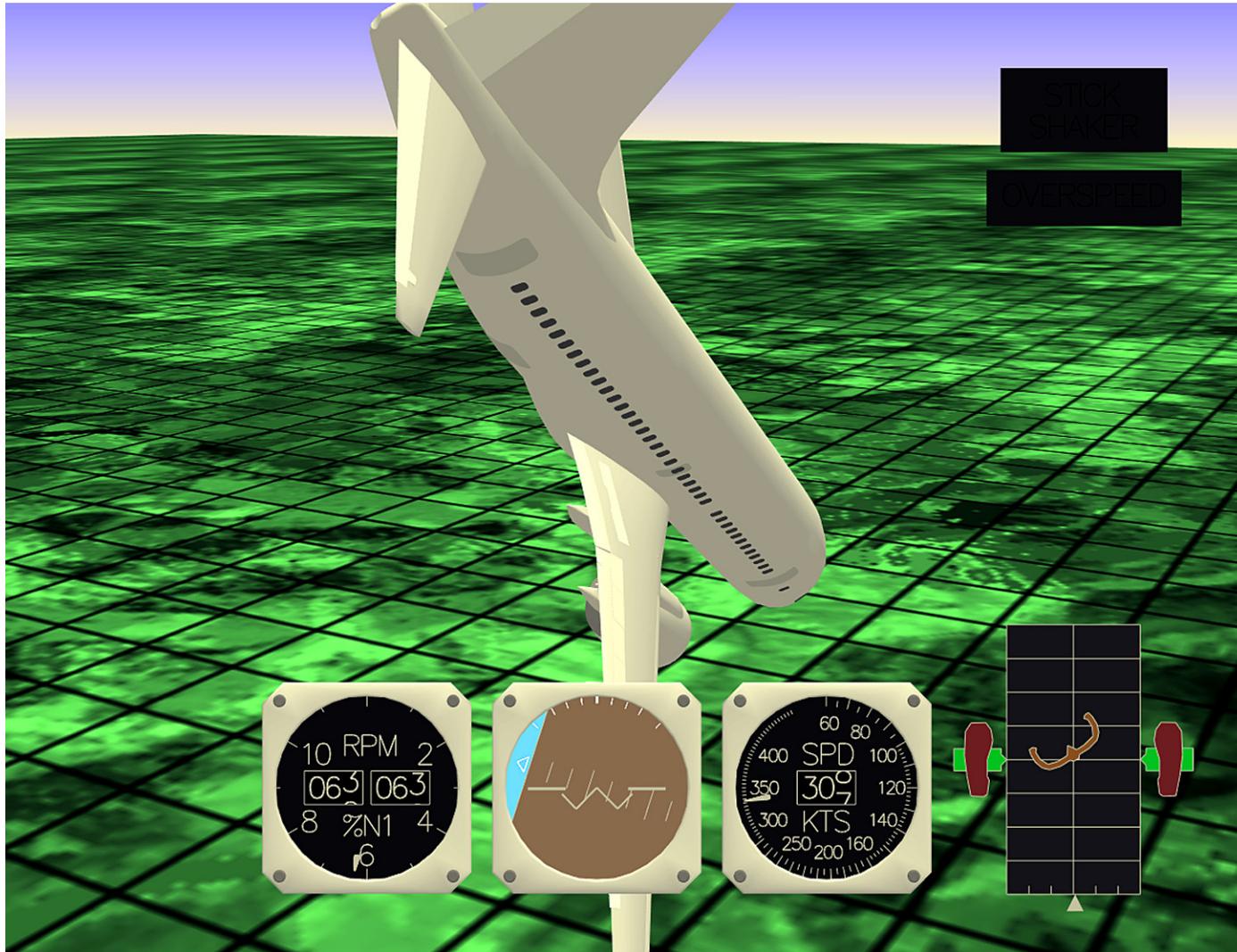


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Directional Maneuvering—Yaw Axis

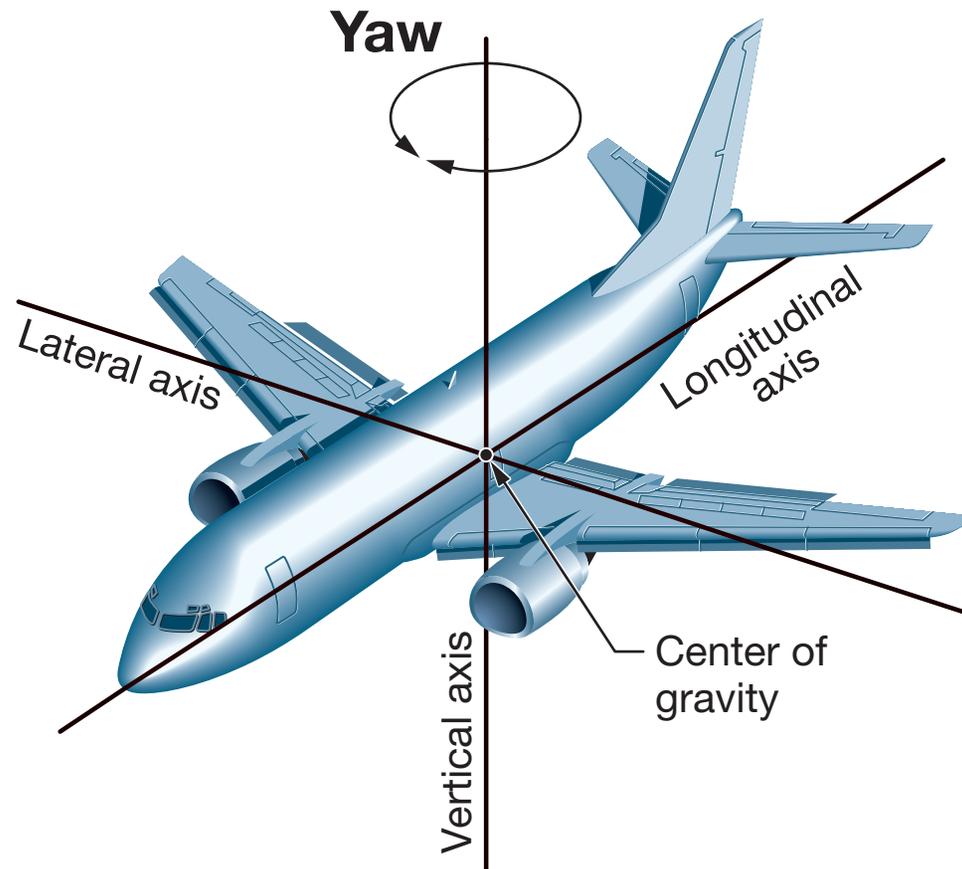


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Flight at Extremely Low Airspeeds



Figure 3-B.52

Flight at Low Airspeeds and Thrust Effects



Figure 3-B.53

Flight at Extremely High Speeds



Figure 3-B.54

Summary of Swept-Wing Fundamentals

- **Flight dynamics: Newton's laws**
- **Energy states: kinetic, potential, and chemical**
- **Load factors: longitudinal, lateral, and vertical**
- **Aerodynamic flight envelope: operating and demonstrated speeds**
- **Aerodynamics: the relationship of angle of attack and stall**

Airplane Upset Recovery

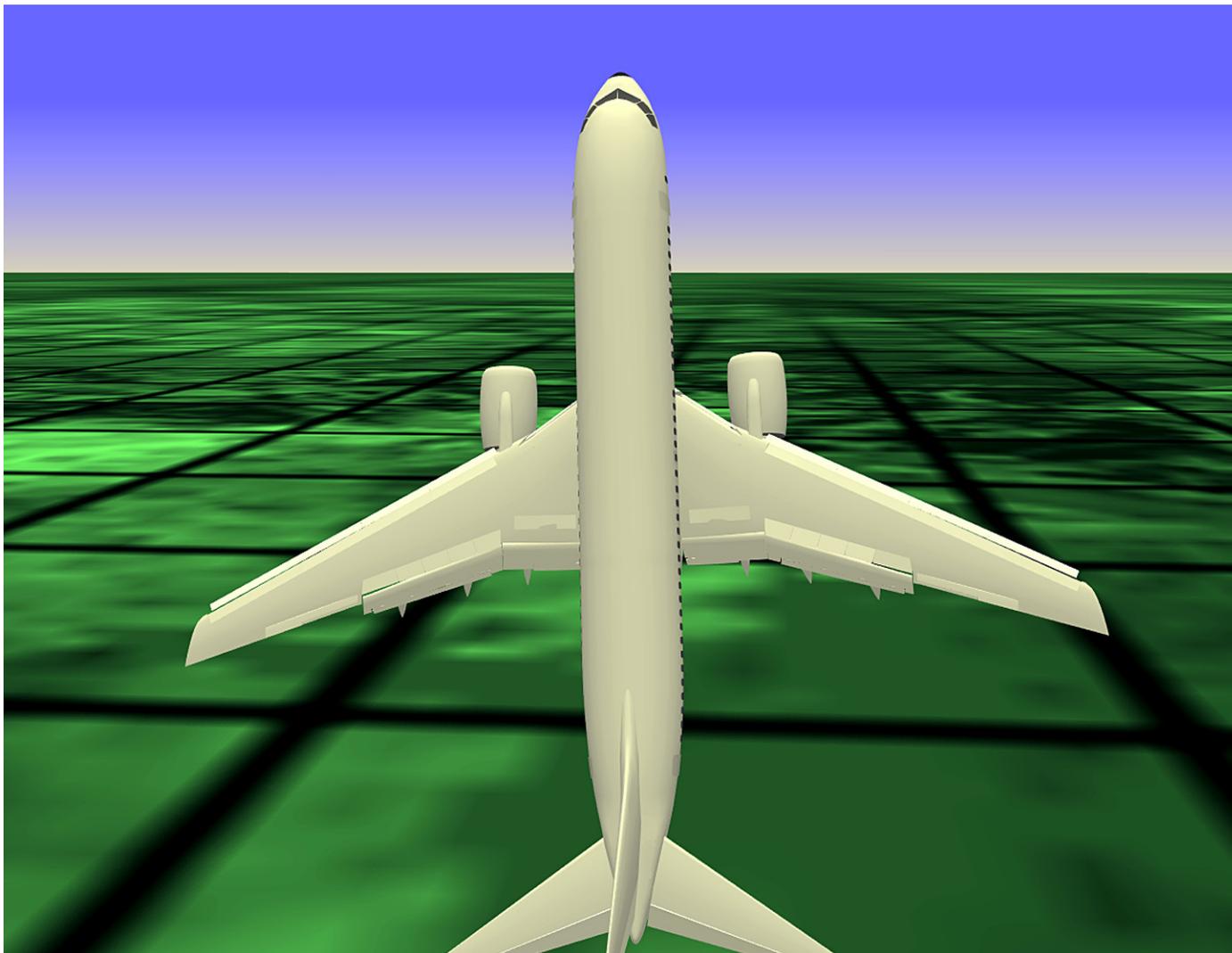


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Situational Awareness During an Airplane Upset

“Recognize and confirm the situation” by the following key steps:

- **Communicate with crew members**
- **Locate the bank indicator**
- **Determine pitch attitude**
- **Confirm attitude by reference to other indicators**

The Miscellaneous Issues Associated With Upset Recovery Have Been Identified by

- **Pilots who have experienced an airplane upset**
- **Pilot observations in a simulator-training environment**

And they are associated with

- **The startle factor**
- **Negative g force**
- **Full control inputs**
- **Counter-intuitive factors**

Startle Factor

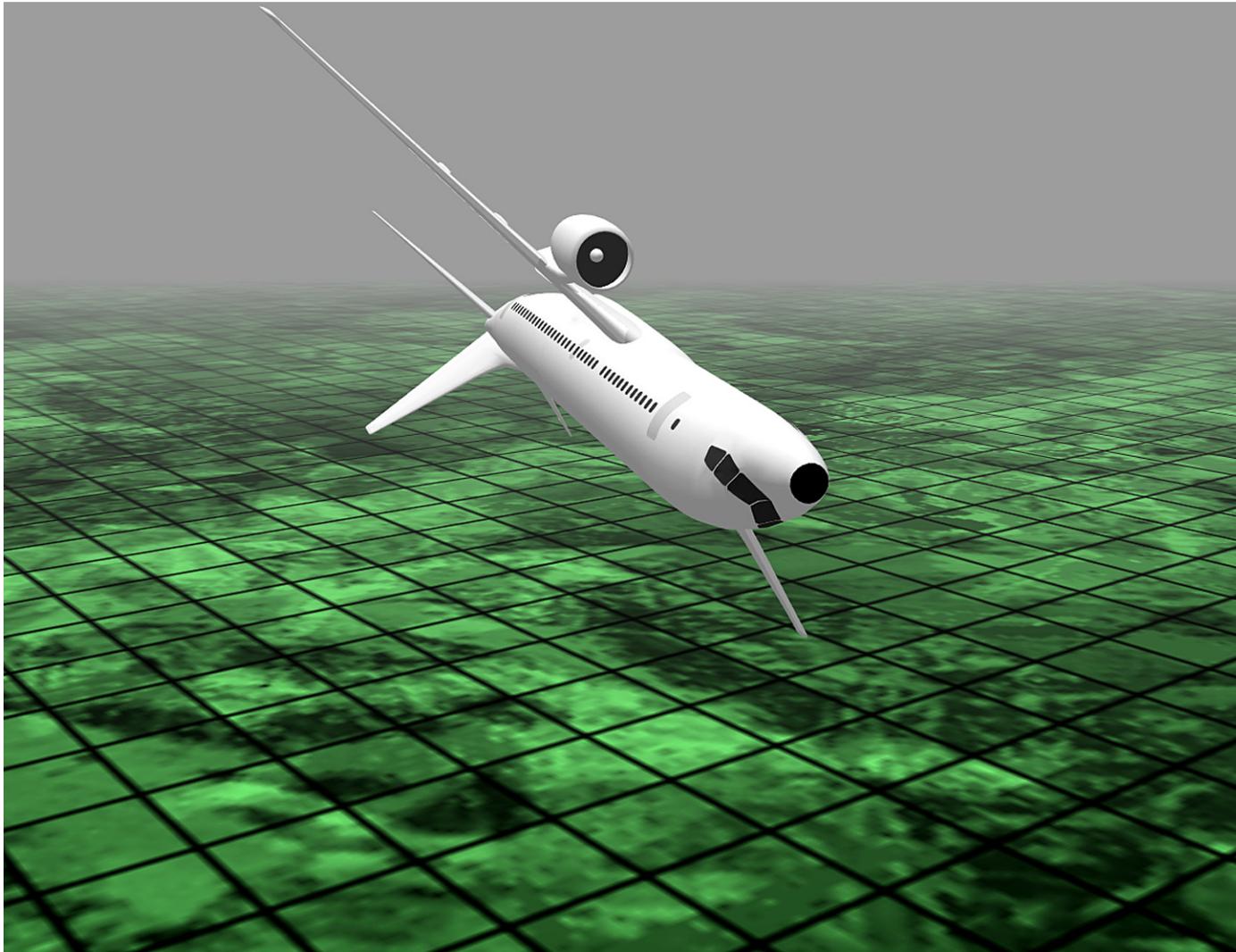


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Negative G Force

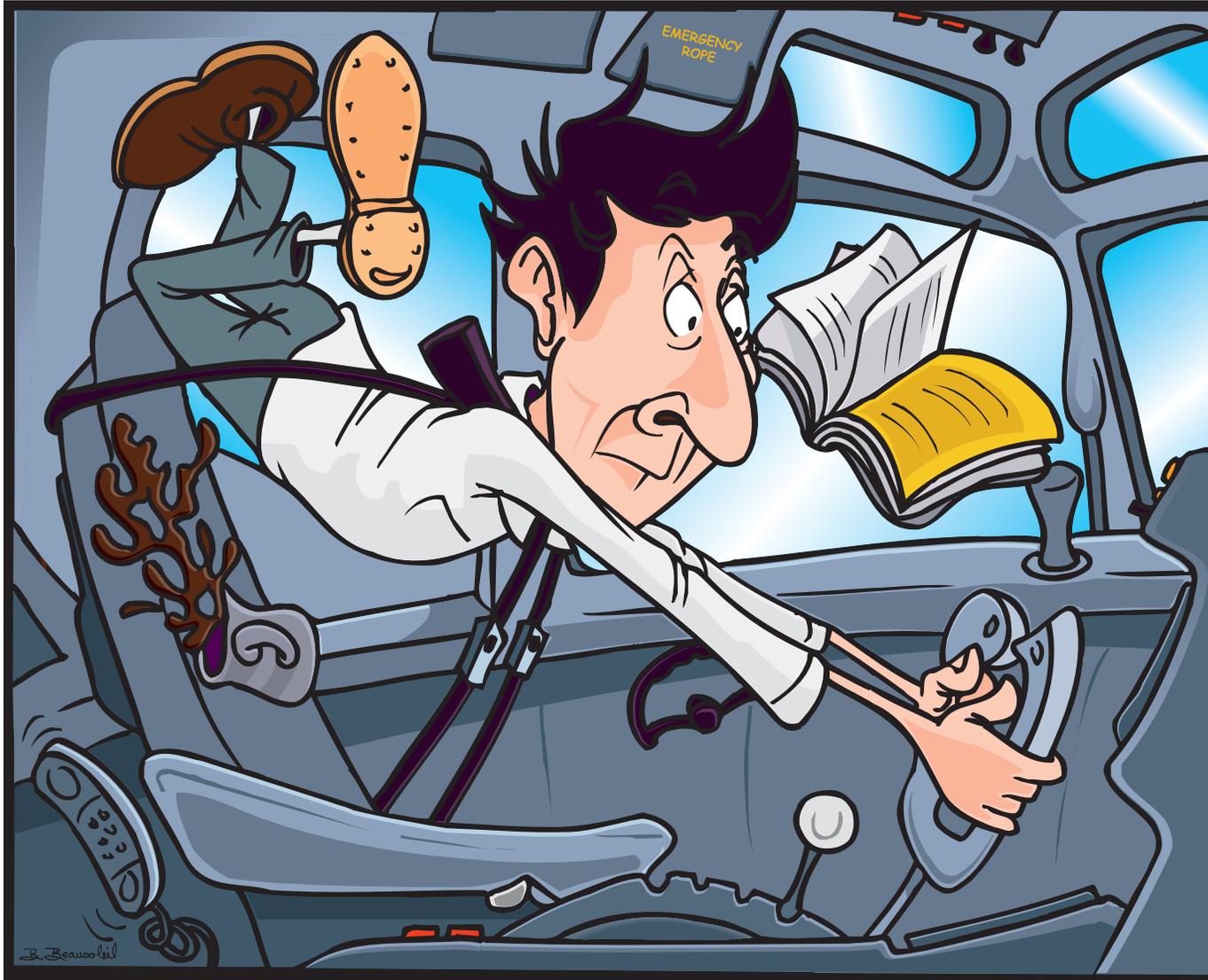


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Use of Full Control Inputs



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Nonintuitive Factors

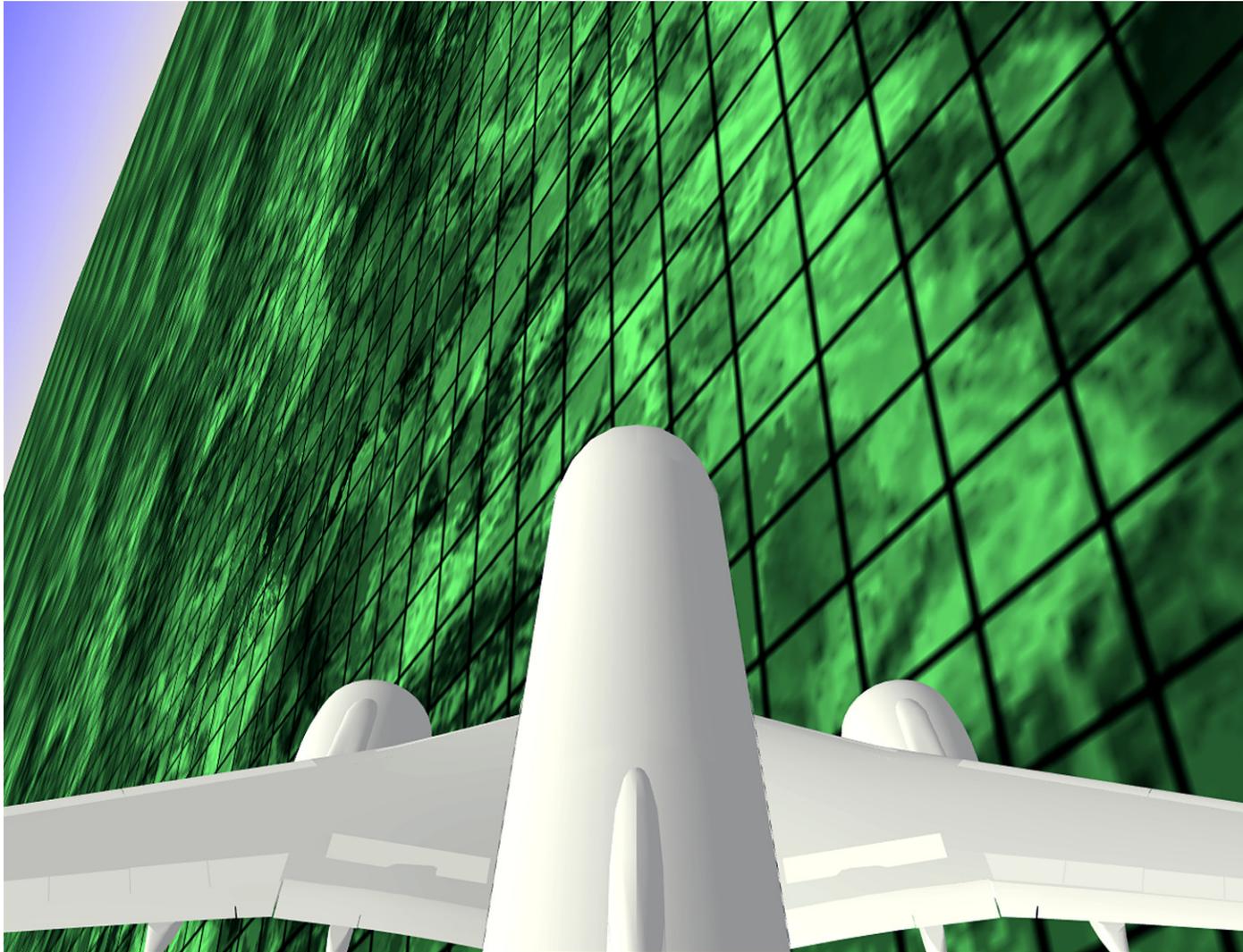


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Airplane Upset Recovery Techniques Will Include a Review of the Following Airplane Upset Situations:

- **Nose high, wings level**
- **Nose low, wings level**
- **High bank angles:**
 - **Nose high**
 - **Nose low**
- **And a review of recommended upset recovery techniques based on two basic airplane upset situations:**
 - **Nose high**
 - **Nose low**

Airplane Upset Recovery Techniques

- **Stall characteristics**
 - **Buffeting**
 - **Lack of pitch authority**
 - **Lack of roll control**
 - **Inability to arrest descent rate**

Nose-High, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques

- Recognize and confirm the situation
- Disengage autopilot and autothrottle



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Nose-High, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques



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Nose-High, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques

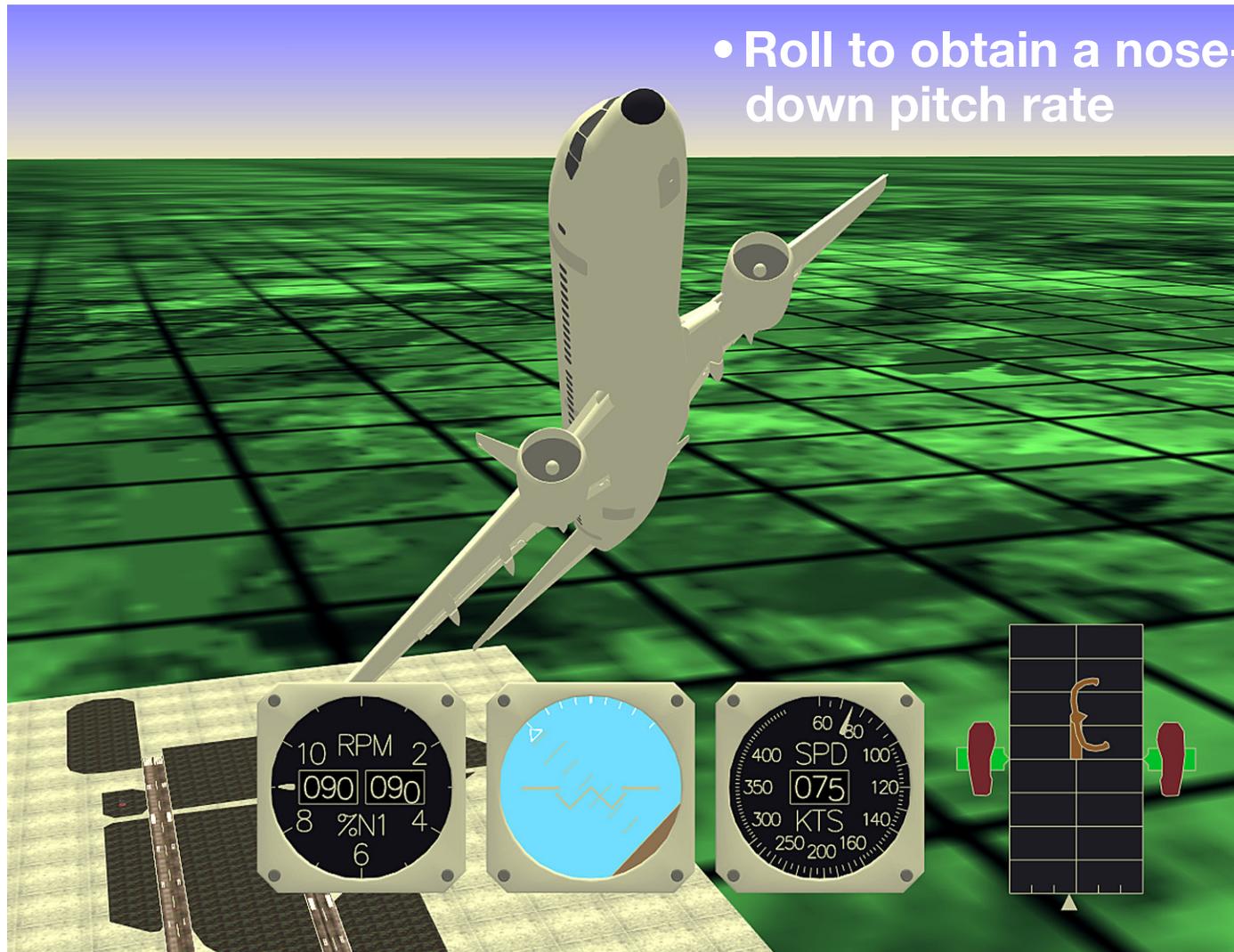


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Nose-High, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques

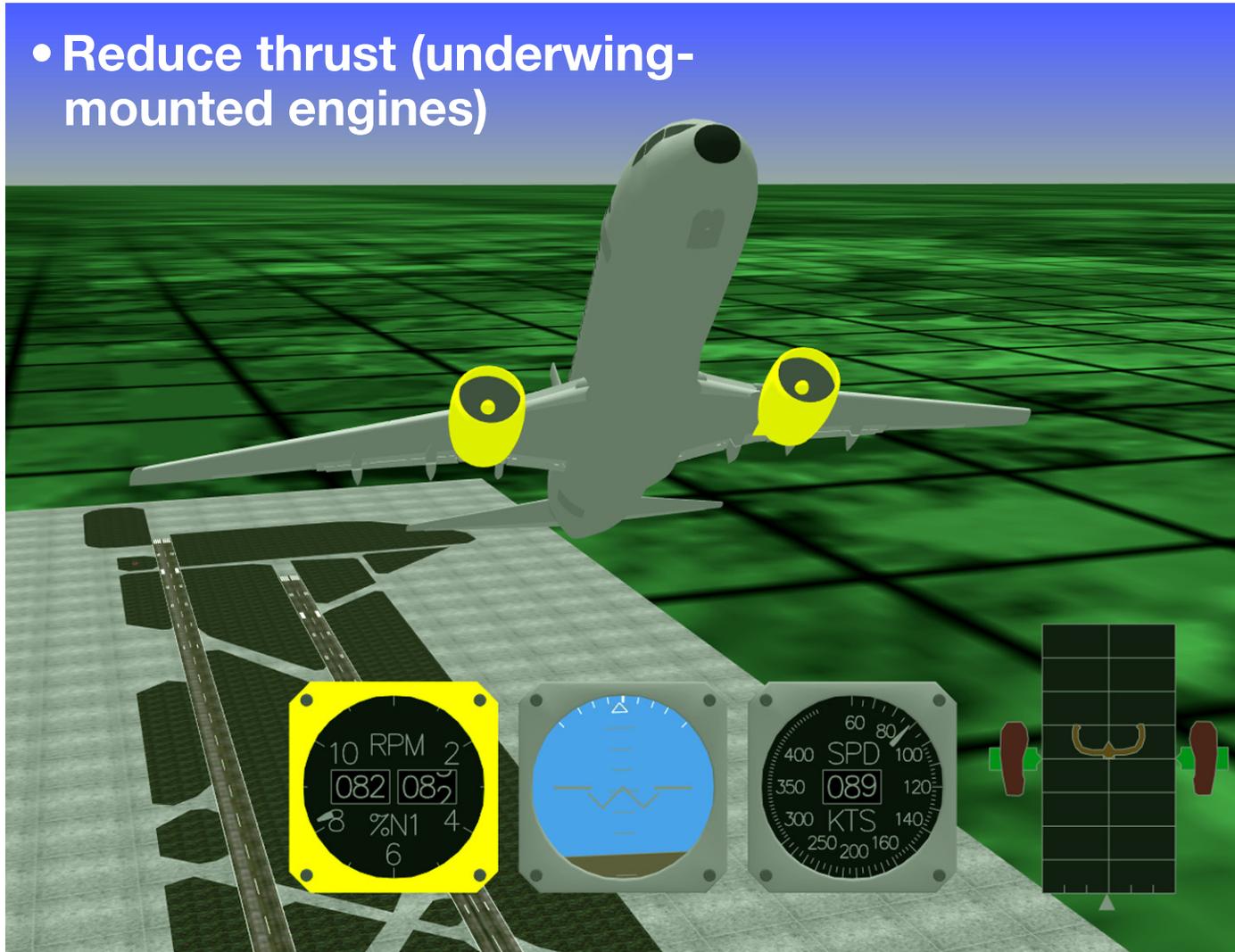


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Nose-High, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques

- Complete the recovery:
 - Approaching horizon, roll to wings level
 - Check airspeed and adjust thrust
 - Establish pitch attitude

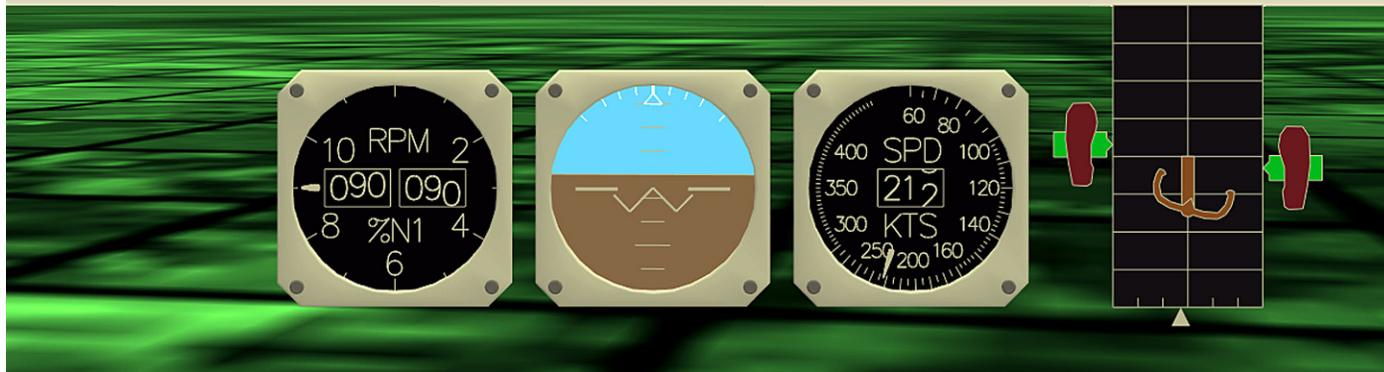


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Nose-Low, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques



- **Recognize and confirm the situation**

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Nose-Low, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques



- Disengage autopilot and autothrot-

Figure 3-B.71

Nose-Low, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques



- **Recover from stall, if necessary**

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Nose-Low, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques

Recover to Level Flight



- Apply noseup elevator



- Apply stabilizer trim, if necessary

Figure 3-B.73

Nose-Low, Wings-Level Recovery Techniques



- Adjust thrust and drag, as necessary

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High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques

- Recognize and confirm the situation
- Disengage autopilot and autothrottle



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High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques

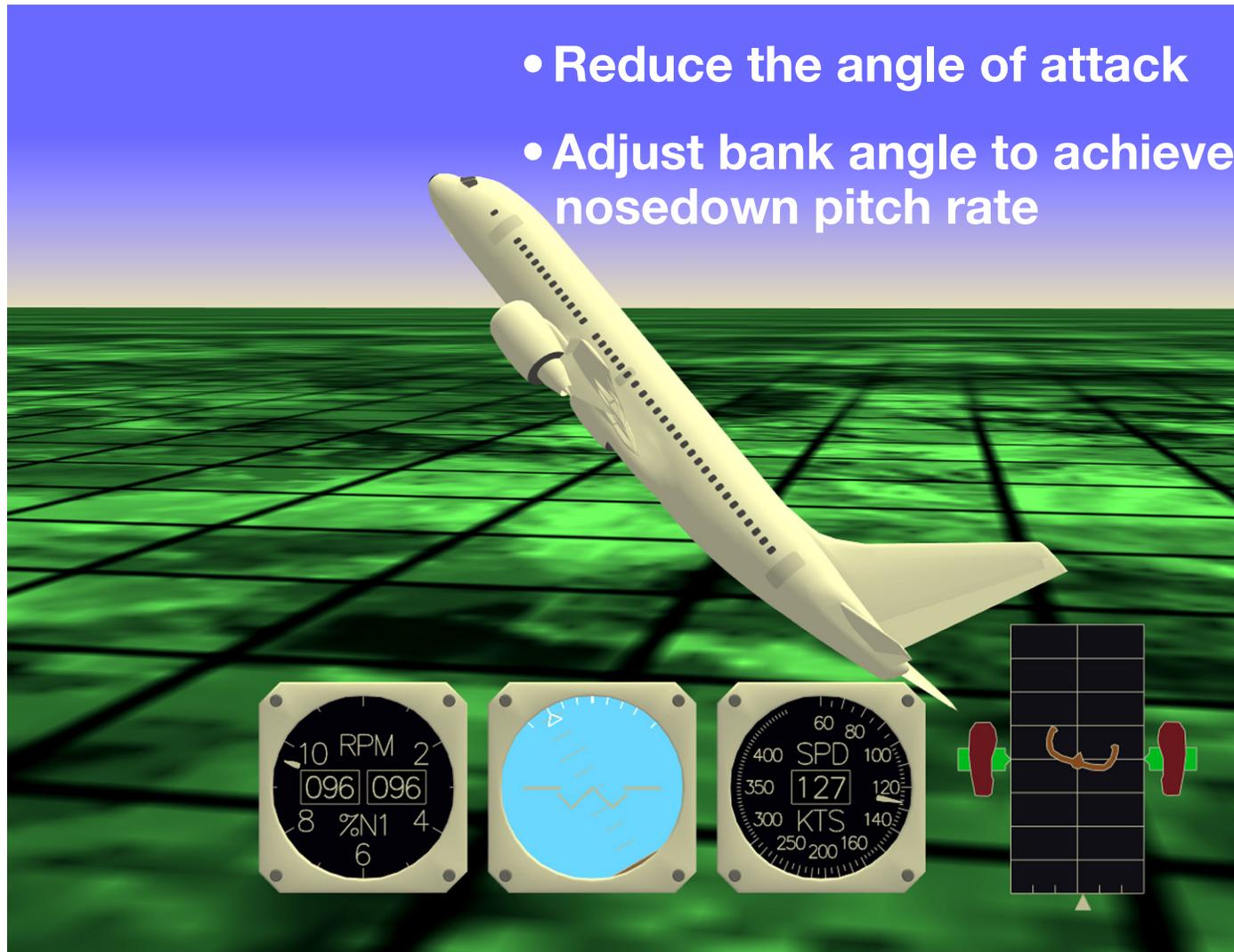


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High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques



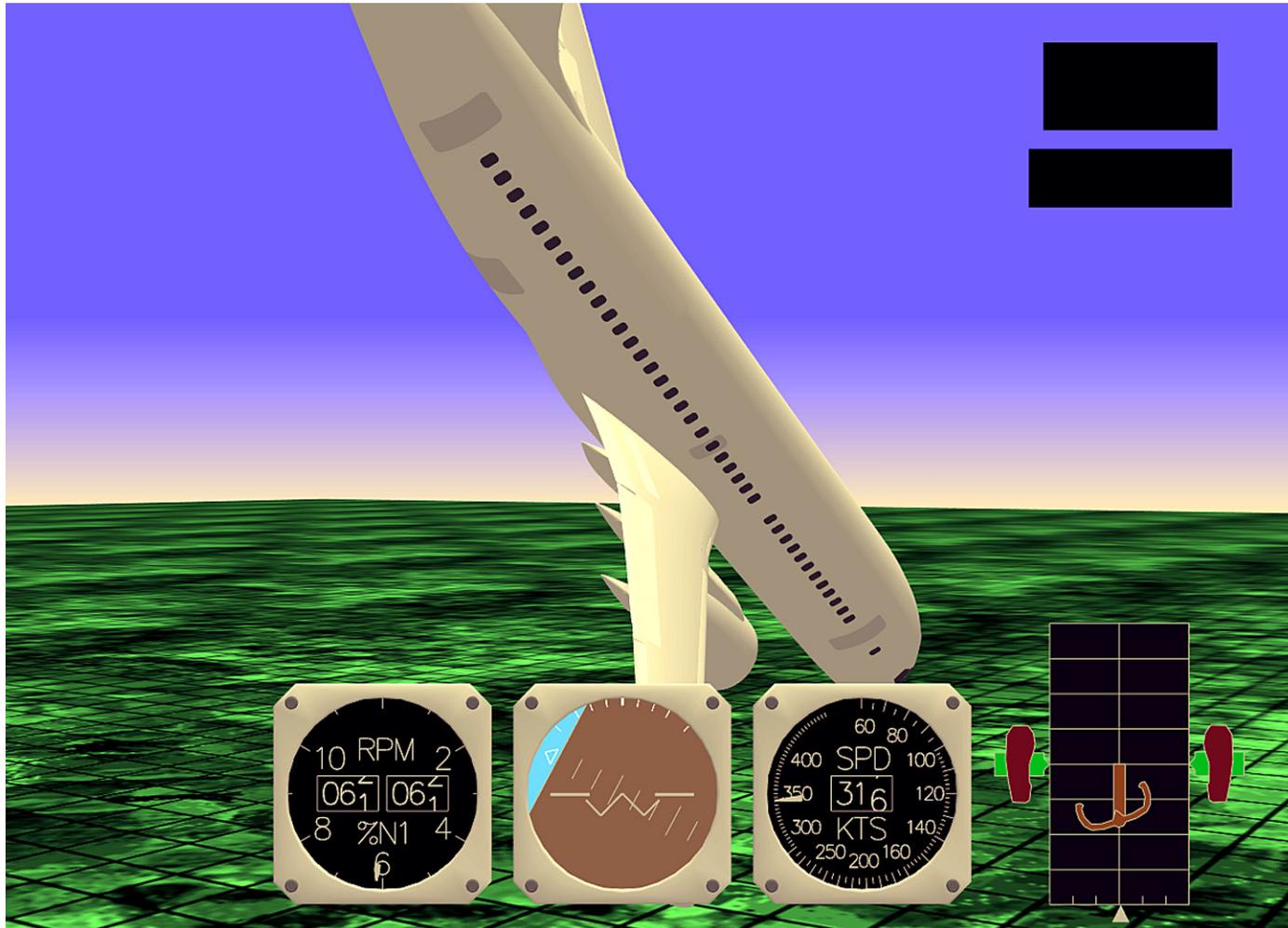
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High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques



Figure 3-B.78

High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques



- Reduce the angle of attack, if necessary

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High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques



Figure 3-B.80

High-Bank-Angle Recovery Techniques



Figure 3-B.81

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-High Recovery

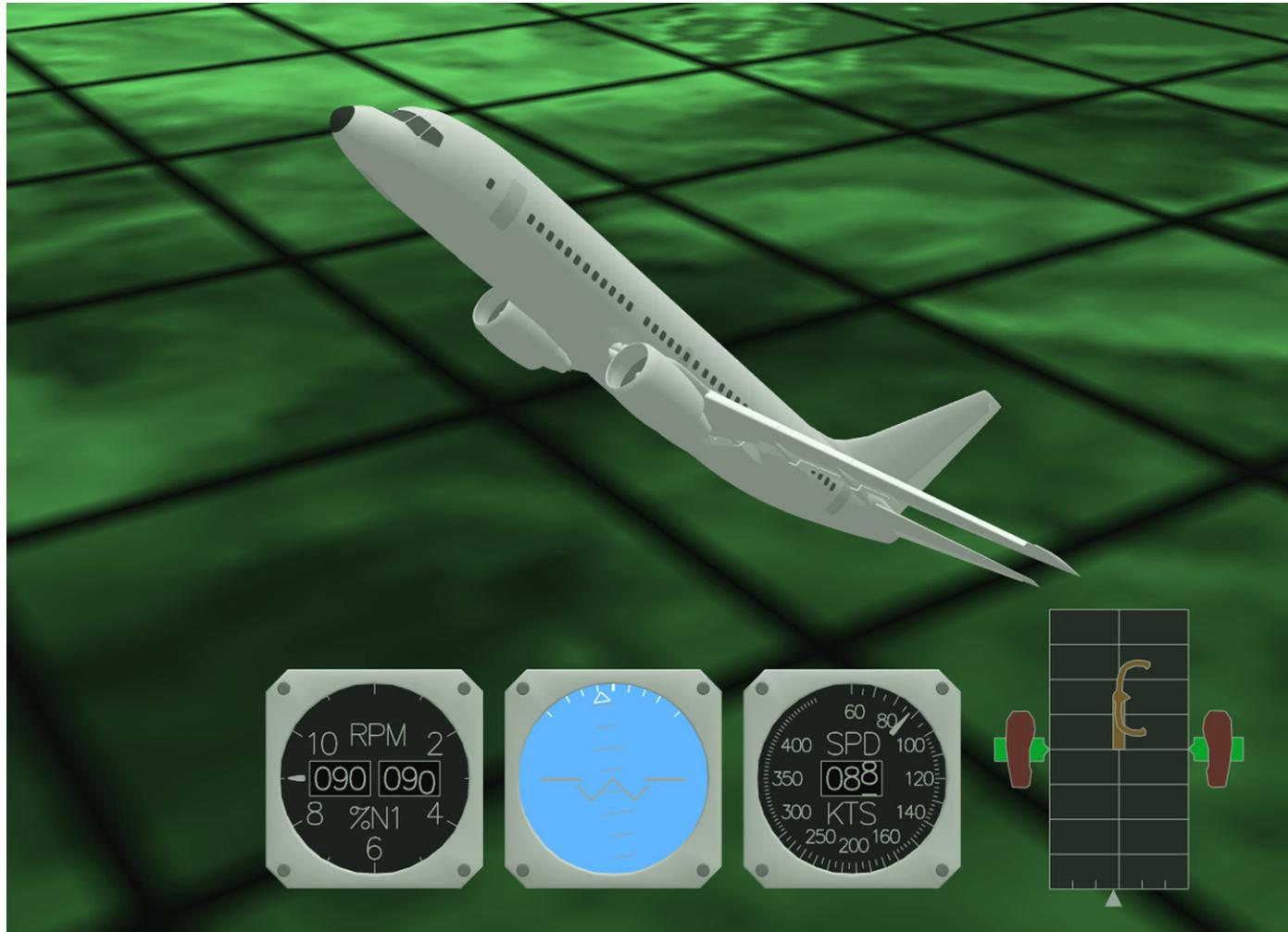


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Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-High Recovery

- **Recognize and confirm the situation**
- **Disengage autopilot and autothrottle**
- **Apply as much as full nosedown elevator**

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-High Recovery

- **Use appropriate techniques:**
 - **Roll (adjust bank angle) to obtain a nosedown pitch rate**
 - **Reduce thrust (underwing-mounted engines)**

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-High Recovery

- **Complete the recovery:**
 - **Approaching the horizon, roll to wings level**
 - **Check airspeed; adjust thrust**
 - **Establish pitch attitude**

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-Low Recovery

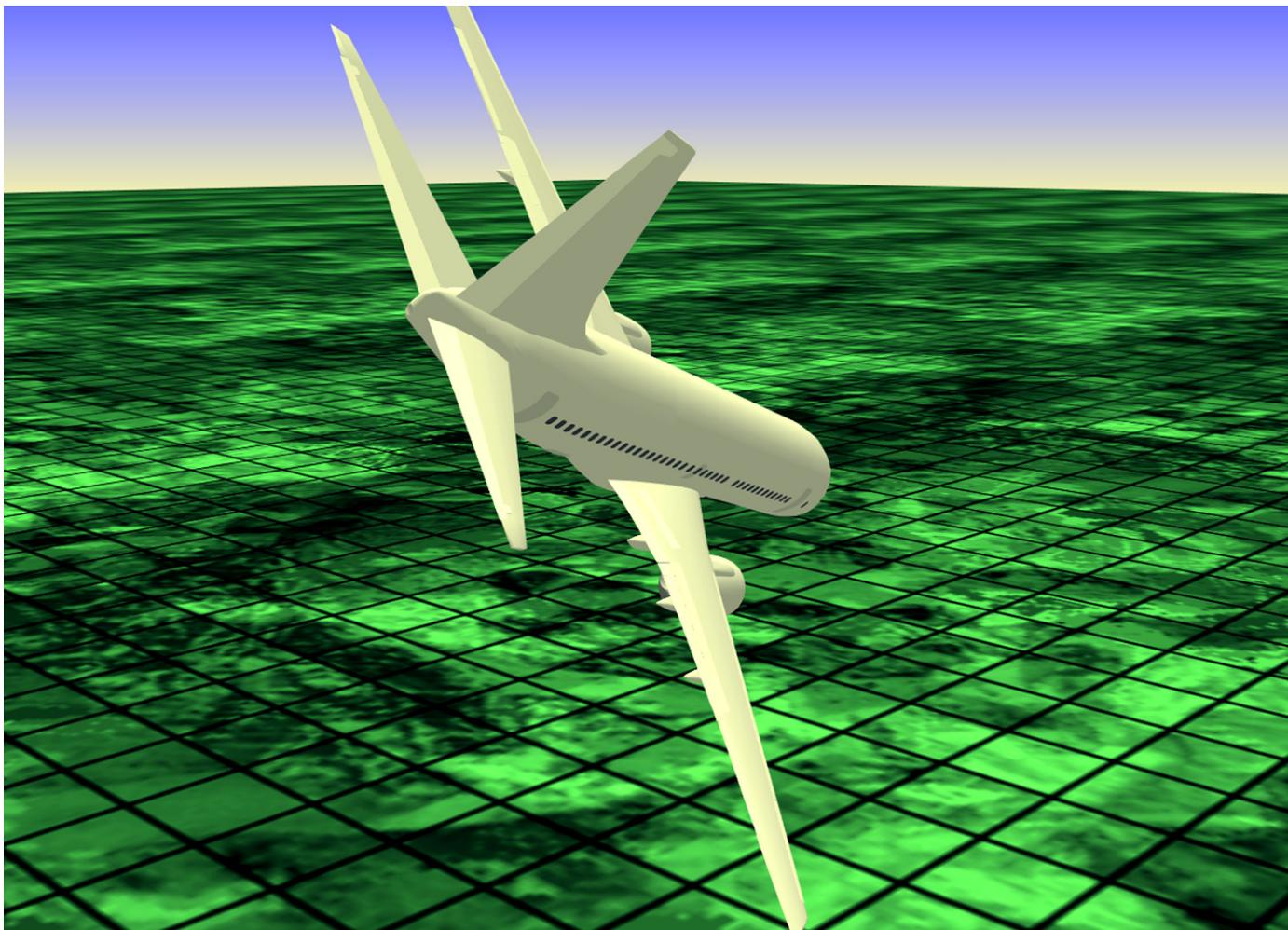


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Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-Low Recovery

- **Recognize and confirm the situation**
- **Disengage autopilot and autothrottle**
- **Recover from stall, if necessary**

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-Low Recovery

- **Roll in the shortest direction to wings level:**
 - **Bank angle to more than 90 deg; unload and roll**

Summary of Airplane Recovery Techniques

Nose-Low Recovery

- **Recover to level flight**
 - **Apply noseup elevator**
 - **Apply stabilizer trim, if necessary**
 - **Adjust thrust and drag, as necessary**