## Aerodynamics

## L= CI x q x S

- 1. <u>What</u> are the forces that takes an airplane off the ground or what brings an aircraft back to earth??
- 2. <u>How</u> do these forces act together to achieve this state of equilibrium or a state of imbalance?
- 3. **Why** do we need to know this material????

The formula for Lift

 $L = CI \times q \times S$  (q = V2 x p/2) V= velocity; p= air density

DEFINE:

- 1. Four *Forces* of flight
  - a. lift -
  - b. weight -
  - c. thrust -
  - d. drag -
- 2. Bernoulli's Principle {state cause and effect}

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- 3. Newton's *Third Law of Motion* {state cause and effect}
- 4. Name the parts of an <u>AIRFOIL -</u>
  - a. leading edge
  - b. trailing edge
  - c. chord line -
  - d. camber
  - e. relative wind -
  - f. angle of attack -
- 5. What is aspect ratio? -
- 6. What does wing area do to aid/hamper lift?
- 7. What is a changing angle of attack and how does it effect performance?
- 8. What is a stall and how does it occur?
- 9. What is a spin? How does it occur? How does one recover?
- 10. Describe the four different types of flaps.
  - a. plain -
  - b. split -
  - c. Fowler -
  - d. slotted -

- 11. Draw the four basic airfoil shapes.
- 12. What are the two types of drag that effect an aircraft? (describe in detail)
- 13. Describe what is learned by the chart that is referred to as L/D max. {see chart}
- 14. What is the "BACK SIDE OF THE POWER CURVE", "Reverse Command"? {see chart}
- 15. How does changing airspeed, angle of attack, and configuration of flaps change lift?
- 16. Name the *Three Axis of Flight*.
- 17. What control surfaces move the aircraft about these axes??

- 18. How do the vectors of lift change from vertical to horizontal during a turn? {see diagram}
- 19. What is ADVERSE YAW and what is its cause? {see diagram}
- 20. What are G forces (load factors)?{see diagram}
- 21. How are load factors affected during a turn? (20°, 45°, 60°, 75°)
- 22. What is the importance of Va. airspeed? Why is this not colored coded on the airspeed indicator?
- 23. What is CAS, TAS, IAS?
- 24. Since an airspeed indicator measures dynamic pressure, how does it affect these airspeeds?
- 25. What is longitudinal stability?
- 26. How does the center of pressure or center of lift change the pitching tendencies?
- 27. How can a forward/aft C.G. be effected by this pitching tendency?
- 28. How does the Thrust Line change the pitching tendencies of most general aviation aircraft?
- 29. Why is the CG of an aircraft always ahead of the center of lift if the aircraft is loaded properly?
- 30. How does dihedral, keel effect and sweepback maintain lateral stability?
- 31. What is Directional Stability? What motion is a result of directional instability?