# **Performance and Limitations**

# **Objective**

Gain an intuitive understanding of how atmospheric conditions affect aircraft performance, and how to use our airplane's performance charts to compute specific performance numbers.

# **Motivation**

Altitude, temperature, and pressure affect all aspects of our airplane's performance. All pilots need to understand how these factors affect the airplane, and what limitations are present in its design.

Instruction: Known to unknown, building on aerodynamics

# **Overview**

- Air and density
  - Density altitude
  - International Standard Atmosphere
  - Types of altitude
  - Types of airspeed
  - How density affects performance
- Airplane performance charts
  - Performance scenario using Cessna charts
  - Other chart styles
- Additional aircraft limitations

# **Performance Concepts**

# **Air and Density**

- Our airplane swims through the air, air molecules bounce off the airplane
  - As these air molecules are deflected downward, our airplane is forced upward
  - Our propeller pushes air backwards which pushes us forwards
  - Our engine "breaths" air from outside, burns that air with fuel to produce power

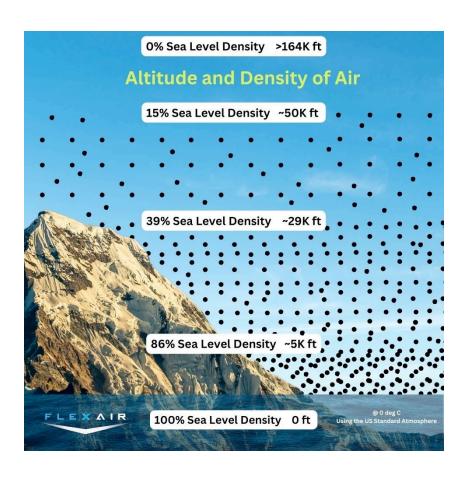
# More lift Less lift DENSER AIR MOLECULES Shorter takeoff runs Longer takeoff runs

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# **High and Low Air Density**

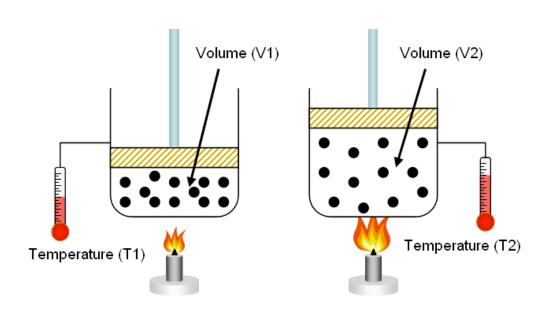
- All of this depends on how close the air molecules are together
- Tightly spaced = more air to grab on to
  - Wings can produce more lift
  - Propeller can produce more thrust
  - Engines can produce more power
- Density constantly changes with
  - i. Pressure
  - ii. Temperature
  - iii. Humidity

# Thing That Affect Density: Ambient Pressure (Variable #1)



- As we climb
  - Ambient pressure decreases
  - Air density decreases
  - Pressure decreases on average 1" Hg per 1000' (pressure lapse rate)
- The pressure outside varies from day to day
  - On high pressure days, air is more dense
  - On low pressure days, air is less dense

# Things That Affect Density: Temperature (Variable #2)



- Hot air molecules bounce off each other more energetically
- This causes the molecules to spread out and become less dense
- Likewise, cold air molecules are less excited become more dense

# **Humidity: Temperature (Variable #3)**

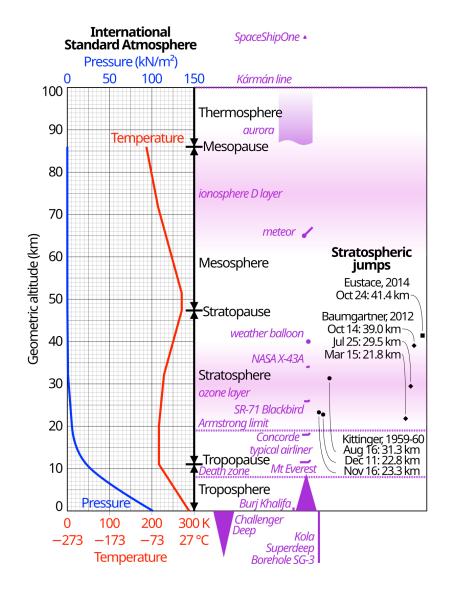


- Water vapor in the air also takes up space
- The higher the humidity, the lower the air density
- Effect of density is small relative to pressure and temperature
  - Usually omitted from performance chats and calculations

# **Rolling it All Up**

- That's a lot of variables to consider
- What if there was one number that would combine the effects of:
  - Altitude
  - Ambient pressure
  - Temperature

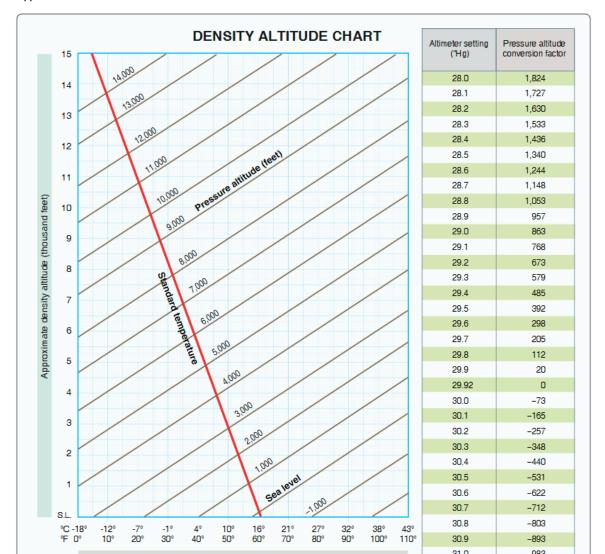
# **International Standard Atmosphere (ISA)**



- What if we made a fake atmosphere with known conditions?
  - Density can defined as an altitude in this atmosphere
- The higher the altitude, the lower our airplane's performance
- ISA Definitions
  - At sea level, the pressure is 29.92" Hg
  - Pressure lapses (reduces) at 1" Hg per 1000'
  - Temperature: 15° C at S.L.
  - Temperature lapse rate: 2°C per 1000' (to

# **Computing Density Altitude**





# 4000 ft. / 84° F, 29° C / 29.80" Hg

- 1. Start with field elevation: 4000 ft.
- 2. Correct for Variable Ambient Pressure
  - 4000 + 112' = 4112
  - Pressure altitude
- 3. Correct for Variable Temperature:
  - 4000' line & 29° F
  - ~6700' density altitude

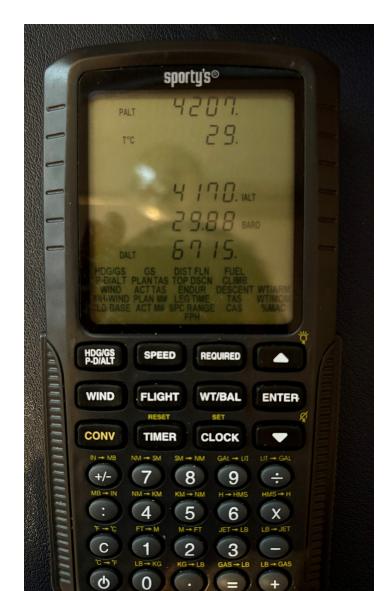
Notice higher temperature = Higher density altitude

# Pressure altitude another way: Have the altimeter do the math



- As you rotate the Kollsman window the altimeter moves up and down at that same rate 1" per 1000'
- If we set our altimeter to 29.92" (the pressure of S.L. in the standard atmosphere), it will give us pressure altitude

# **Density Altitude with an Electronic 56-B**



- P-D/ALT mode
- Set Indicated altitude IALT
- Altimeter setting BARO
- Outside temperature T°C
- Gives
  - Pressure altitude PALT
  - Density altitude DALT

# **Review of Altitude Types**

- Ambient pressure/Altimeter setting: Set in the Kollsman window
- Indicated altitude: Read directly off the altimeter
- Pressure altitude: Height in the ISA where current pressure is found
- **Density** altitude: Height in the ISA where the current pressure is found, plus any correction for temperature

# **Airspeed**

# **Pitot Tube As A Molecule Counter**



- More forward movement: More molecules we hit
- More air density: Molecules tightly spaced so more to hit
- Less air density: Molecules less tightly spaced, less to hit
- Tells us how many air molecules is moving over the wings

# **Types of Airspeed: Calibrated Airspeed**



- The pitot tube is attached at a certain angle
- This might not be directly into the relative wind
- With a high angle of attack, the relative wind will be at a steeper angle
- To account for this, we compute calibrated airspeed
  - This is usually given in a table in the POH

# **Types of Airspeed: True Airspeed**



- Adjusts the "molecule count" based on the air density
  - Uses the same 3 variables: Altitude, pressure, temperature
- True airspeed in the speed you're moving through the *air mass*

# **True Airspeed with an Electronic E6B**



ACT TAS Mode

Pressure altitude (PALT): 4210'

Outside air temperature (OAT): 29°C

Calibrated airspeed (CAS): 118 knots

Result TAS is 130.1 knots

- This means we're flying *faster* through the air mass than the airspeed indicator would have us believe.
- With no wind, we'd be moving 130 knots over the ground

# **Types Of Airspeeds**



- Indicated airspeed (IAS): Read from altimeter
- Calibrated airspeed (CAS): Calibrated for position/instrument errors
  - At slow airspeeds this may be several knots off
- True airspeed (TAS): CAS corrected for altitude and nonstandard temperature
- Ground speed (GS): Actual speed over the ground
  - TAS adjusted for wind

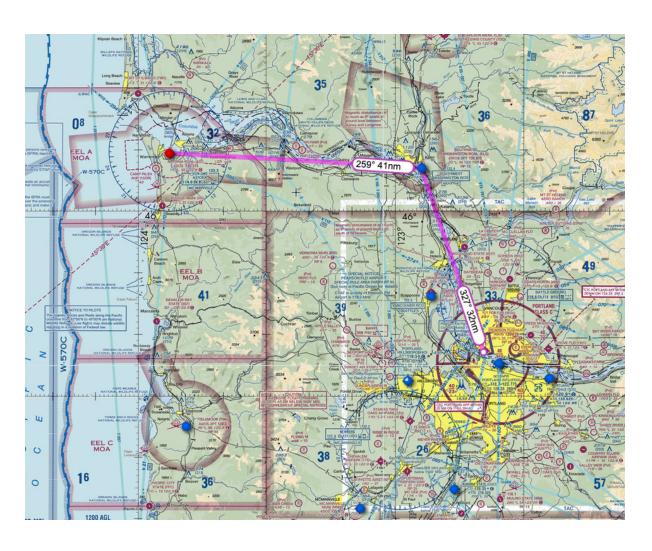
# **Knowledge Check**

Assuming all other variables are the same:

- Where will an airplane have a longer takeoff roll, in Denver or in Orlando?
- Where will an airplane have a longer landing roll, when the temperature is 2° C or 30° C?
- Which aircraft will have a higher ground speed on takeoff, when the pressure is 20.79" or 30.44" Hg?
- When will our (normally-aspirated) airplane produce the most power, on the ground or at 8000 feet?

# **Performance Planning**

# **Performance**



On a real flight we want to know:

- How much runway distance we will use for takeoff
- How long the flight will take
- How much fuel we will burn
- How mush landing distance we will use

### **CRUISE PERFORMANCE**

### PRESSURE ALTITUDE 2000 FEET

CONDITIONS: 3100 Pounds Recommended Lean Mixture Cowl Flaps Closed

### NOTE

For best fuel economy, operate at the leanest mixture that results in smooth engine operation or at peak EGT.

|      |                      | 20°C BELOW<br>STANDARD TEMP<br>-9°C |                   |                      |                      | TANDAR<br>1PERATU<br>11 <sup>0</sup> C |                              | 20°C ABOVE<br>STANDARD TEMP<br>31°C |                          |                              |  |  |
|------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| RPM  | MP                   | %<br>8HP                            | KTAS              | GPH                  | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                                   | GPH                          | %<br>BHP                            | KTAS                     | GPH                          |  |  |
| 2400 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 74<br>65<br>57                      | 131<br>125<br>117 | 14.0<br>12.4<br>10.9 | 78<br>70<br>62<br>54 | 137<br>131<br>124<br>116               | 14.8<br>13.3<br>11.8<br>10.5 | 74<br>66<br>59<br>51                | 137<br>130<br>123<br>115 | 14.0<br>12.6<br>11.3<br>10.0 |  |  |
| 2300 | 25                   | 78                                  | 135               | 14.9                 | 74                   | 135                                    | 14.1                         | 71                                  | 134                      | 13.4                         |  |  |
|      | 23                   | 70                                  | 129               | 13.3                 | 67                   | 128                                    | 12.7                         | 63                                  | 128                      | 12.1                         |  |  |
|      | 21                   | 62                                  | 122               | 11.8                 | 59                   | 121                                    | 11.3                         | 56                                  | 120                      | 10.8                         |  |  |
|      | 19                   | 54                                  | 114               | 10.4                 | 51                   | 113                                    | 10.0                         | 49                                  | 112                      | 9.6                          |  |  |
| 2200 | 25                   | 75                                  | 132               | 14.2                 | 71                   | 132                                    | 13.5                         | 67                                  | 131                      | 12.8                         |  |  |
|      | 23                   | 67                                  | 126               | 12.7                 | 64                   | 126                                    | 12.1                         | 60                                  | 125                      | 11.5                         |  |  |
|      | 21                   | 59                                  | 119               | 11.3                 | 56                   | 118                                    | 10.8                         | 53                                  | 117                      | 10.3                         |  |  |
|      | 19                   | 51                                  | 111               | 9.9                  | 49                   | 110                                    | 9.5                          | 46                                  | 108                      | 9.1                          |  |  |
| 2100 | 25                   | 71                                  | 129               | 13.5                 | 68                   | 129                                    | 12.9                         | 64                                  | 129                      | 12.2                         |  |  |
|      | 23                   | 64                                  | 123               | 12.1                 | 60                   | 123                                    | 11.5                         | 57                                  | 122                      | 11.0                         |  |  |
|      | 21                   | 56                                  | 116               | 10.7                 | 53                   | 115                                    | 10.3                         | 50                                  | 114                      | 9.8                          |  |  |
|      | 19                   | 48                                  | 108               | 9.5                  | 46                   | 106                                    | 9.1                          | 43                                  | 104                      | 8.7                          |  |  |
|      | 17                   | 41                                  | 97                | 8.2                  | 39                   | 95                                     | 7.8                          | 37                                  | 91                       | 7.5                          |  |  |

# **Aircraft Performance Charts**

- Published in our POH/AFM
- Based on a new airplane, engine, and propeller
- Based on a test pilot flying with excellent technique (airspeed control, proper leaning)
- Formatted in a variety of ways
  - Some use pressure altitude+ temperature (Cessnas)
  - Some use density altitude only

# **Takeoff Distance - Temperature**

### TAKEOFF DISTANCE

**MAXIMUM WEIGHT 3100 LBS** 

CONDITIONS:

Flaps 200

SHORT FIELD

2400 RPM and 31 Inches Hg Prior to Brake Release

Mixture Full Rich Cowl Flaps Open Paved, Level, Dry Runway Zero Wind

### NOTES:

- 1. Short field technique as specified in Section 4.
- Decrease distances 10% for each 9 knots headwind. For operation with tailwinds up to 10 knots, increase distances by 10% for each 2 knots.

3. For operation on a dry, grass runway, increase distances by 15% of the "ground roll" figure.

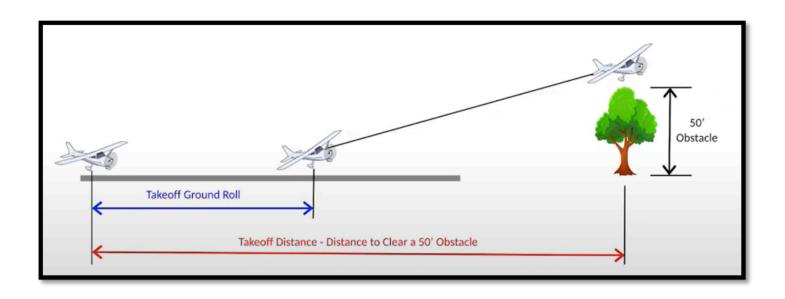
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|               | l SPE       | TAKEOFF<br>SPEED PRES |  | > 0°c  |  | IJ,   | 10°C   | 1910  |  | 86:  | 30°C   | 104   | 40°C   |
| WEIGHT<br>LBS | LIFT<br>OFF | AS<br>AT<br>50 FT     | ALT<br>FT  |  | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |  | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |
| 3100          | 49          | 58                    | S.L.<br>1000<br>2000<br>3000<br>4000<br>5000<br>6000<br>7000<br>8000 | 700<br>750<br>800<br>855<br>920<br>985<br>1055<br>1135<br>1220 | 1310<br>1390<br>1475<br>1570<br>1670<br>1780<br>1900<br>2035<br>2180 | 760<br>810<br>870<br>930<br>995<br>1070<br>1145<br>1235<br>1325 | 1415<br>1505<br>1600<br>1700<br>1815<br>1935<br>2070<br>2220<br>2385 | 820<br>880<br>940<br>1005<br>1080<br>1155<br>1245<br>1335<br>1440 | 1535<br>1630<br>1735<br>1850<br>1970<br>2110<br>2260<br>2425<br>2605 | 890<br>950<br>1015<br>1090<br>1165<br>1250<br>1345<br>1450<br>1560 | 1665<br>1770<br>1885<br>2010<br>2145<br>2300<br>2465<br>2650<br>2855 | 960<br>1025<br>1100<br>1175<br>1260<br>1355<br>1455<br>1565<br>1685 | 1805<br>1925<br>2050<br>2190<br>2345<br>2510<br>2700<br>2910<br>3140 |

### **Ground Roll**

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- S.L. at 0° C: 700'
- S.L. at 40° C: 960'
- **260** ft. increase from temperature alone

# **Takeoff Distance - Ground Roll vs Obstacle Clearance**



# **Takeoff Distance - Wind**

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| WEIGHT<br>LBS | LIFT | AS<br>AT<br>50 FT | ALT<br>FT  |  | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |  | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |
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Sea level, 20°C

18 knot headwind: 20% decrease 820 \* 0.8 = **656 ft.** 

4 knot tailwind: 20% increase 820 \* 1.2 = **984 ft.** 

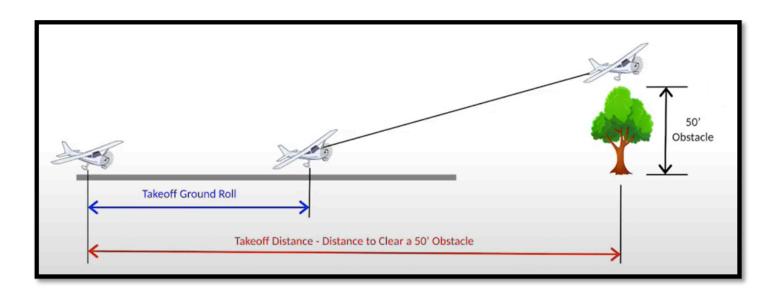
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# **Realistic Performance**

- Takeoff performance
  - New engine, new propeller
  - Test pilot with excellent technique
- Landing performance
  - Excellent technique, energy management
  - No gusty winds, or gust factor
  - Maximum braking
- A safety factor helps in managing this discrepancy
  - We'll use a safety factor of +50% for takeoff and landing

# **Takeoff Distance - Safety Factor**



Ground roll = 820 ft.

Over 50' obstacle = **1535 ft.** 

With 50% safety factor:

820 \* 1.5 = **1230 ft.** 

1535 \* 1.5 = **2302 ft.** 

# Time, Distance, Fuel to Climb (Normal Climb) - Altitude

### TIME, FUEL, AND DISTANCE TO CLIMB

**NORMAL CLIMB - 95 KIAS** 

CONDITIONS:

Flaps Up 2400 RPM 24 Inches Hg Mixture Full Rich Cowl Flaps Open Standard Temperature

### NOTES:

- 1. Add 2.0 gallons of fuel for engine start, taxi and takeoff allowance.
- 2. Increase time, fuel and distance by 10% for each 7°C above standard temperature.
- 3. Distances shown are based on zero wind.

| WEIGHT | PRESSURE       | TEMP | RATE OF      |      | FROM SEA LE          | VEL            |
|--------|----------------|------|--------------|------|----------------------|----------------|
| LBS    | ALTITUDE<br>FT | °C   | CLIMB<br>FPM | TIME | FUEL USED<br>GALLONS | DISTANCE<br>NM |
| 3100   | S.L.           | 15   | 500          | 0    | 0                    | 0              |
|        | 2000           | 11   | 500          | 4    | 1.4                  | 6              |
|        | 4000           | 7    | 495          | 8    | 2.8                  | 13             |
|        | 6000           | 3    | 485          | 12   | 4.3                  | 20             |
|        | 8000           | -1   | 470          | 16   | 5.7                  | 27             |
|        | 10,000         | -5   | 450          | 21   | 7.3                  | 35             |
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Airport: 4000'

Cruise: 8000'

16 - 8 = 8 minutes

5.7 - 2.8 = 2.9 gallons

27 - 13 = 14nm

Climb rate decreases as we ascend

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|        | 8000           | -1   | 470          | 16   | 5.7                  | 27             |
|        | 10,000         | -5   | 450          | 21   | 7.3                  | 35             |
|        | 12,000         | -9   | 425          | 25   | 8.9                  | 44             |
|        |                |      |              |      |                      |                |

8 minutes, 2.9 gallons, 14nm

14°C above standard 20% increase

8 \* 1.2 = **9.6** minutes

2.9 \* 1.2 = 3.5 gallons

14 \* 1.2 = **16.8nm** 

+2 gal start/taxi/takeoff

3.5 + 2 = 5.5 gallons

# **Cruise Performance - Altitude and Temperature**

# CRUISE PERFORMANCE PRESSURE ALTITUDE 2000 FEET

CONDITIONS: 3100 Pounds Recommended Lean Mixture Cowl Flaps Closed

### NOTE

For best fuel economy, operate at the leanest mixture that results in smooth engine operation or at peak EGT.

# CRUISE PERFORMANCE PRESSURE ALTITUDE 10,000 FEET

CONDITIONS: 3100 Pounds Recommended Lean Mixture Cowl Flaps Closed

### NOTE

For best fuel economy, operate at the leanest mixture that results in smooth engine operation or at peak EGT.

|      |                      |                      | °C BELO<br>NDARD 1<br>-9°C |                              |                      | TANDAR<br>IPERATU<br>11 <sup>0</sup> C |                              | ı                    | 20°C ABOVE<br>STANDARD TEMP<br>31°C |                              |  |  |  |
|------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| RPM  | MP                   | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                       | GPH                          | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                                   | GPH                          | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                                | GPH                          |  |  |  |
| 2400 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 74<br>65<br>57       | 131<br>125<br>117          | 14.0<br>12.4<br>10.9         | 78<br>70<br>62<br>54 | 137<br>131<br>124<br>116               | 14.8<br>13.3<br>11.8<br>10.5 | 74<br>66<br>59<br>51 | 137<br>130<br>123<br>115            | 14.0<br>12.6<br>11.3<br>10.0 |  |  |  |
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| 2200 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 75<br>67<br>59<br>51 | 132<br>126<br>119<br>111   | 14.2<br>12.7<br>11.3<br>9.9  | 71<br>64<br>56<br>49 | 132<br>126<br>118<br>110               | 13.5<br>12.1<br>10.8<br>9.5  | 67<br>60<br>53<br>46 | 131<br>125<br>117<br>108            | 12.8<br>11.5<br>10.3<br>9.1  |  |  |  |
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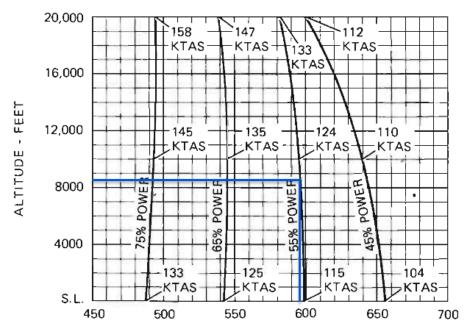
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|------|----------------------|----------------------|---|------------------------------|----------------------|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| RPM  | MP                   | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                                    | GPH                          | %<br>BHP             | KTAS                                    | GPH                          | %<br>BHP                            | KTAS                     | GPH                          |  |  |
| 2400 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 76<br>69<br>62       | 143<br>136<br>129                       | 14.5<br>13.1<br>11.7         | 79<br>72<br>66<br>59 | 148<br>142<br>136<br>128                | 15.1<br>13.8<br>12.5<br>11.2 | 75<br>69<br>62<br>56                | 148<br>142<br>135<br>127 | 14.3<br>13.1<br>11.9<br>10.7 |  |  |
| 2300 | 25                   | 80                   | 146                                     | 15.2                         | 76                   | 146                                     | 14.5                         | 72                                  | 145                      | 13 7                         |  |  |
|      | 23                   | 73                   | 140                                     | 13.9                         | 70                   | 140                                     | 13.2                         | 66                                  | 139                      | 12.5                         |  |  |
|      | 21<br>19             | 66<br>59             | 134<br>126                              | 12.5<br>11.3                 | 63<br>56             | 133<br>125                              | 12.0<br>10.8                 | 60<br>53                            | 132<br>124               | 11.4<br>10.3                 |  |  |
| 2200 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 77<br>70<br>63<br>56 | 143<br>137<br>131<br>123                | 14.6<br>13.3<br>12.0<br>10.8 | 73<br>67<br>60<br>53 | 143<br>137<br>130<br>122                | 13.9<br>12.7<br>11.5<br>10.3 | 69<br>63<br>57<br>51                | 142<br>136<br>129<br>120 | 13.2<br>12.0<br>10.9<br>9.9  |  |  |
| 2100 | 25<br>23<br>21<br>19 | 74<br>67<br>60<br>53 | 140<br>135<br>128<br>120                | 14.0<br>12.7<br>11.5<br>10.4 | 70<br>64<br>57<br>51 | 140<br>134<br>127<br>119                | 13.3<br>12.1<br>11.0<br>9.9  | 66<br>60<br>54<br>48                | 139<br>133<br>125<br>116 | 12.6<br>11.5<br>10.5<br>9.5  |  |  |

### **RANGE PROFILE 45 MINUTES RESERVE 65 GALLONS USABLE FUEL**

CONDITIONS: 3100 Pounds Recommended Lean Mixture for Cruise Standard Temperature Zero Wind

### NOTE:

This chart allows for the fuel used for engine start, taxi, takeoff and climb, and the distance during a normal climb up to 12,000 feet and maximum climb above 12,000 feet.



### **RANGE - NAUTICAL MILES**

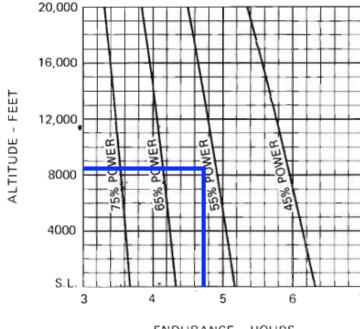
### **ENDURANCE PROFILE**

### **45 MINUTES RESERVE 65 GALLONS USABLE FUEL**

CONDITIONS: 3100 Pounds Recommended Lean Mixture for Cruise Standard Temperature

### NOTE:

This chart allows for the fuel used for engine start, taxi, takeoff and climb, and the time during a normal climb up to 12,000 feet and maximum climb above 12,000 feet.



**ENDURANCE - HOURS** 

# **Landing Distance (Short Field)**

### LANDING DISTANCE

SHORT FIELD

### CONDITIONS:

Flaps FULL Power Off Maximum Braking Paved, Level, Dry Runway Zero Wind

### NOTES:

- 1. Short field technique as specified in Section 4.
- Decrease distances 10% for each 9 knots headwind. For operation with tailwinds up to 10 knots, increase distances by 10% for each 2 knots.
- 3. For operation on a dry, grass runway, increase distances by 40% of the "ground roll" figure.
- 4. If a landing with flaps up is necessary, increase the approach speed by 9 KIAS and allow for 40% longer distances.

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|               | SPEED PRESS   |   | 0°C  |  | 10 <sup>0</sup> C   |  |   | 20°C   | ,   | 30°C   | 40°C  |  |  |
|---------------|---------------|---|--|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| WEIGHT<br>LBS | 50 FT<br>KIAS | ALT<br>FT   | GRND TO CLEAR FOLL TO CLEAR FO |  |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                               |   | TOTAL<br>TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS                                       |   |  |   |  |  |
| 2950          | 61            | S. L.<br>1000<br>2000<br>3000<br>4000<br>5000<br>6000<br>7000<br>8000 | 560<br>580<br>600<br>625<br>650<br>670<br>700<br>725<br>755  | 1300<br>1335<br>1370<br>1410<br>1450<br>1485<br>1530<br>1575<br>1625 | 580<br>600<br>625<br>645<br>670<br>695<br>725<br>750<br>780 | 1335<br>1365<br>1405<br>1445<br>1485<br>1525<br>1575<br>1615 | 600<br>620<br>645<br>670<br>695<br>720<br>750<br>780<br>810 | 1365<br>1400<br>1440<br>1485<br>1525<br>1565<br>1615<br>1665<br>1715 | 620<br>645<br>670<br>695<br>720<br>745<br>775<br>805<br>835 | 1400<br>1440<br>1480<br>1525<br>1565<br>1610<br>1660<br>1710<br>1760 | 640<br>665<br>690<br>715<br>740<br>770<br>800<br>830<br>865 | 1435<br>1475<br>1515<br>1560<br>1600<br>1650<br>1700<br>1750<br>1805 |  |

Headwind: 9 knots

Pressure altitude: S.L.

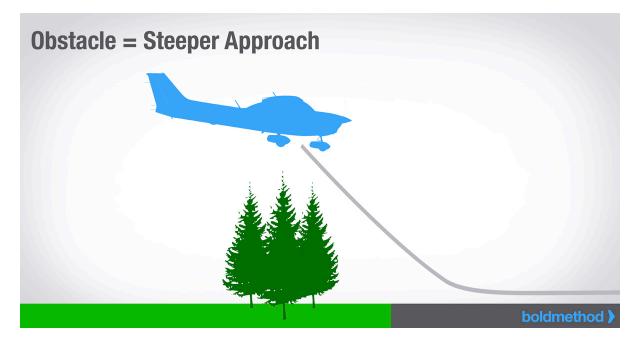
Temperature: 20°C

Decrease distances 10%

0.9 \* 600 = **540 ft. ground roll** 

0.9 \* 1365 = 1231 ft. over 50' obs.

# **Landing Distance (Short Field) - Safety Factor**



540 ft. ground roll 1231 ft. over 50' obs.

Ground roll:

540 \* 1.5 = **810 ft** 

Over 50' obstacle:

1231 \* 1.5 = **1846 ft** 

### FLAPS 25° TAKEOFF GROUND ROLL

ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS

Power: FULL THROTTLE BEFORE BRAKE RELEASE

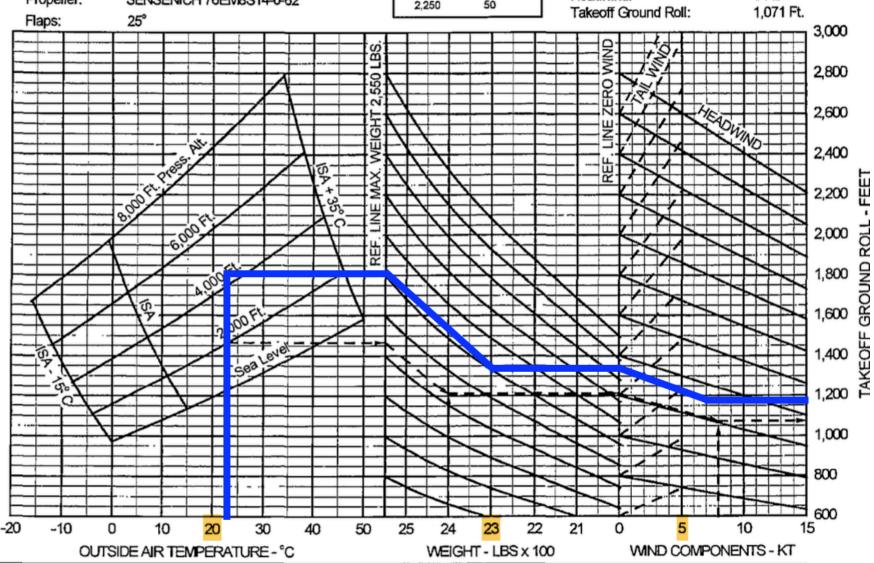
Air Conditioner: OFF

Runway: PAVED, LEVEL, & DRY
Airspeed: REFER TO TABLE AT RIGHT
Propeller: SENSENICH 76EM8S14-0-62

TAKEOFF SPEEDS KIAS
WT LIFTOFF

2,550 55
2,450 55
2,350 53
2,250 50

| EXAMPLE                      |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Depart Airport Pressure Alt: | 2,000 Ft. |
| Temperature:                 | 23° C     |
| Gross Weight:                | 2,400 Lb. |
| Headwind:                    | 8 Kt.     |
| Takeoff Cround Poll:         | 1 071 Et  |



4100' press.

altitude

22° C

2300 lbs.

7 knots headwind

~1150 ft.

# Differences between Actual and Estimated Performance



- Conditions are different from forecast
- Pilot technique
  - Takeoff
  - Landing
  - Engine leaning
- Age of engine, propeller, airframe
- Runway slope: Up or down
- Wet runway: Braking action

# Limitations

# Where do we find limitations?

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# SECTION 2 LIMITATIONS

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# **Engine Limitations**

### POWER PLANT LIMITATIONS

Engine Manufacturer: Avco Lycoming. Engine Model Number: O-540-L3C5D.

Maximum Power: 235 BHP rating.

Engine Operating Limits for Takeoff and Continuous Operations:

Maximum Engine Speed: 2400 RPM.

Maximum Manifold Pressure: 31 in, Hg.

Maximum Cylinder Head Temperature: 500°F (260°C).

Maximum Oil Temperature: 245°F (118°C).

Oil Pressure, Minimum: 25 psi.

Maximum: 115 psi.

Fuel Pressure, Minimum: 3.0 psi.

Maximum: 30.0 psi.

uel Grade: See Fuel Limitations.

Oil Grade (Specification):

MIL-L-6082 Aviation Grade Straight Mineral Oil or MIL-L-22851

Ashless Dispersant Oil.

# **Airspeed Limitations**

|                 | SPEED   | KCAS             | KIAS             | REMARKS  |
|-----------------|---|------------------|------------------|--|
| V <sub>NE</sub> | Never Exceed Speed  | 175              | 178              | Do not exceed this speed in any operation.                                 |
| V <sub>NO</sub> | Maximum Structural<br>Cruising Speed  | 138              | 140              | Do not exceed this speed except in smooth air, and then only with caution. |
| VA              | Maneuvering Speed:<br>3100 Pounds<br>2600 Pounds<br>2100 Pounds                             | 110<br>100<br>90 | 111<br>101<br>90 | Do not make full or abrupt control movements above this speed.             |
| V <sub>FE</sub> | Maximum Flap Extended<br>Speed:<br>To 10 <sup>o</sup> Flaps<br>10 <sup>o</sup> - FULL Flaps | 138<br>95        | 140<br>95        | Do not exceed these speeds with the given flap settings.                   |
|                 | Maximum Window Open<br>Speed  | 175              | 178              | Do not exceed this speed with windows open.                                |



# **Load Factor Limits**

### FLIGHT LOAD FACTOR LIMITS

Flight Load Factors:

\*Flaps Up: +3.8g, -1.52g

\*Flaps Down: +2.0g

\*The design load factors are 150% of the above, and in all cases, the structure meets or exceeds design loads.

# **Operating Limits**

### MAXIMUM OPERATING ALTITUDE LIMIT

Certificated Maximum Operating Altitude: 20,000 Ft.

### OTHER LIMITATIONS

### **FLAP LIMITATIONS**

Approved Takeoff Range: 0° to 20°. Approved Landing Range: 0° to FULL.

# **High Temperatures**

Is it advisable to fly when it's  $> 40^{\circ}$ C?

### TAKEOFF DISTANCE

MAXIMUM WEIGHT 3100 LBS

CONDITIONS:

Flaps 200

SHORT FIELD 2400 RPM and 31 Inches Hg Prior to Brake Release

Mixture Full Rich

Cowl Flaps Open Paved, Level, Dry Runway

Zero Wind

### NOTES:

1. Short field technique as specified in Section 4.

2. Decrease distances 10% for each 9 knots headwind. For operation with tailwinds up to 10 knots, increase distances by 10% for each 2 knots.

For operation on a dry, grass runway, increase distances by 15% of the "ground roll" figure.

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|---------------|--------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| WEIGHT<br>LBS | TAKEOFF<br>SPEED<br>KIAS |             | PRESS<br>ALT                 | >%.c                    |   | 10°C   |  | € 30°C  |   | 86 30°C   |  | 104 40°C  |   |
|               |                          |             |                              |                         | TOTAL   |  | TOTAL  |   | TOTAL   | 1   | TOTAL  |   | TOTAL   |
|               | LIFT<br>OFF              | AT<br>50 FT | FT                           |                         |   |  |  |   |   |   |  |   | TO CLEAR<br>50 FT OBS   |
| 3100          | 49                       | 58          | S.L.<br>1000                 | 700<br>750              | 1310<br>1390  | 760<br>810   | 1415<br>1505   | 820<br>880  | 1535<br>1630  | 890<br>950  | 1665<br>1770   | 960   | 1805<br>1925  |
|               |                          |             | 2000<br>3000                 | 800<br>855              | 1475<br>1570  | 870<br>930   | 1600<br>1700   | 940<br>1005   | 1735  | 1015<br>1090  | 1885<br>2010   | 1100  | 2050<br>2190  |
|               |                          |             | 4000<br>5000                 | 920<br>985              | 1670<br>1780  | 995<br>1070  | 1815<br>1935   | 1080<br>1155  | 1970<br>2110  | 1165<br>1250  | 2145<br>2300   | 1260<br>1355  | 2345<br>2510  |
|               |                          |             | 7000                         | 1055<br>1135<br>1220    | 2035  | 1145<br>1235<br>1325   | 2070<br>2220<br>2385   | 1245<br>1335<br>1440  | 2260.<br>2425<br>2605   | 1450  | 2650   | 1455<br>1565  | 2700<br>2910<br>3140  |
|               | LBS                      | /EIGHT KI   | SPEED KIAS LIFT AT OFF 50 FT | SPEED   KIAS   ALT   FT | TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS ALT FT GRND ROLL  3100 49 58 S.L. 700 1000 750 2000 800 3000 855 4000 920 5000 985 6000 1055 7000 1135 | TAKEOFF   SPEED   KIAS   LIFT   AT   OFF   50 FT   SO FT   S | TAKEOFF   SPEED   KIAS   LIFT   AT   OFF   50 FT   SO   TO   CLEAR   ROLL   TO CLEAR   TO CLE | TAKEOFF   SPEED   KIAS   LIFT   AT OFF   50 FT   SO | TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS LIFT AT OFF 50 FT  3100  49  58  S.L. 700  100  100  100  100  100  100  100 | TAKEOFF   SPEED   KIAS   LIFT   AT OFF   50 FT   FT   GRND   TO CLEAR   ROLL   TO | TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS  LIFT AT OFF 50 FT  3100  49  58  S.L. 700  100  100  100  100  100  100  100 | TAKEOFF   SPEED   KIAS   LIFT   AT OFF   50 FT   SO | TAKEOFF SPEED KIAS  LIFT AT OFF 50 FT  3100  49  58  S.L. 700  1310  760  1415  870  870  870  870  870  870  870  87 |

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