

AIRCRAFT DESIGN AND SYSTEMS GROUP (AERO)

# Conditions for Passenger Aircraft Minimum Fuel Consumption, Direct Operating Costs and Environmental Impact

Brecht Caers  
Dieter Scholz

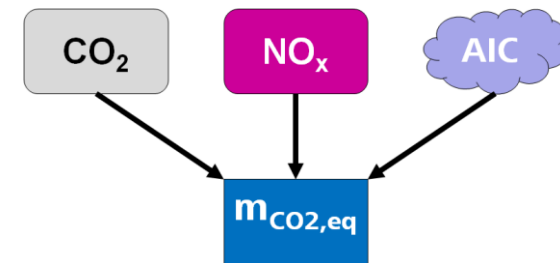
Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4068135>

Deutscher Luft- und Raumfahrtkongress 2020

German Aerospace Congress 2020

Online, 01 - 03.09.2020



$$m_{CO_2,eq} = f(M, h)$$

$M \rightarrow$

$h \downarrow$

h Altitude (m)	Mach number									
	0.4	0.45	0.5	0.55	0.6	0.65	0.7	0.75	0.8	
3000	0.118	0.106	0.101	0.101	0.103	0.108	0.115	0.126	0.145	
3500	0.121	0.107	0.101	0.099	0.101	0.105	0.111	0.121	0.139	
4000	0.125	0.109	0.102	0.099	0.099	0.102	0.108	0.117	0.133	
4500	0.129	0.112	0.102	0.098	0.098	0.100	0.105	0.113	0.128	
5000	0.134	0.114	0.104	0.099	0.097	0.098	0.102	0.109	0.123	
5500	0.146	0.124	0.111	0.105	0.102	0.103	0.106	0.112	0.126	
6000	0.156	0.130	0.115	0.107	0.103	0.104	0.107	0.114	0.129	
6500	0.171	0.140	0.123	0.113	0.108	0.108	0.110	0.117	0.132	
7000	0.220	0.182	0.160	0.148	0.141	0.140	0.143	0.149	0.167	
7500	0.271	0.227	0.201	0.187	0.179	0.176	0.177	0.184	0.200	
8000	0.346	0.293	0.262	0.244	0.234	0.230	0.231	0.236	0.252	
8500	0.458	0.391	0.352	0.329	0.316	0.310	0.310	0.315	0.332	
9000	0.587	0.502	0.453	0.424	0.407	0.399	0.397	0.401	0.419	
9500	0.710	0.607	0.547	0.512	0.490	0.479	0.475	0.478	0.494	
10000	0.852	0.723	0.649	0.605	0.578	0.563	0.556	0.557	0.572	
10500	0.975	0.806	0.710	0.653	0.618	0.597	0.587	0.586	0.601	
11000	1.003	0.810	0.702	0.638	0.599	0.576	0.565	0.565	0.582	
11500	1.123	0.873	0.733	0.650	0.599	0.569	0.553	0.550	0.566	
12000	1.270	0.939	0.755	0.646	0.579	0.539	0.516	0.509	0.524	
12500	1.504	1.079	0.843	0.704	0.618	0.566	0.536	0.523	0.535	

## Conditions for Passenger Aircraft Minimum Fuel Consumption, Direct Operating Costs and Environmental Impact

### Abstract

**Purpose** – Find optimal flight and design parameters for three objectives: minimum fuel consumption, Direct Operating Costs (DOC), and environmental impact of a passenger jet aircraft.

**Approach** – Combining multiple models (this includes aerodynamics, specific fuel consumption, DOC, and equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> mass) into one generic model. In this combined model, each objective's importance is determined by a weighting factor. Additionally, the possibility of further optimizing this model by altering an aircraft's wing loading is analyzed.

**Findings** – When optimizing for a compromise between economic and ecologic benefits, the general outcome is a reduction in cruise altitude and an unaltered cruise Mach number compared to common practice. Decreasing cruise speed would benefit the environmental impact but has a negative effect on seat-mile cost. An increase in wing loading could further optimize the general outcome. Albeit at the cost of a greater required landing distance, therefore limiting the operational opportunities of this aircraft.

**Research limitations** – Most models use estimating equations based on first principles and statistical data.

**Practical implications** – The optimal cruise altitude and speed for a specific objective can be approximated for any passenger jet aircraft.

**Social implications** – By using a simple approach, the discussion of optimizing aircraft opens up to a level where everyone can participate.

**Value** – To find a general answer on how to optimize aviation, operational and design-wise, by using a simple approach.

## Conditions for Passenger Aircraft Minimum Fuel Consumption, Direct Operating Costs and Environmental Impact

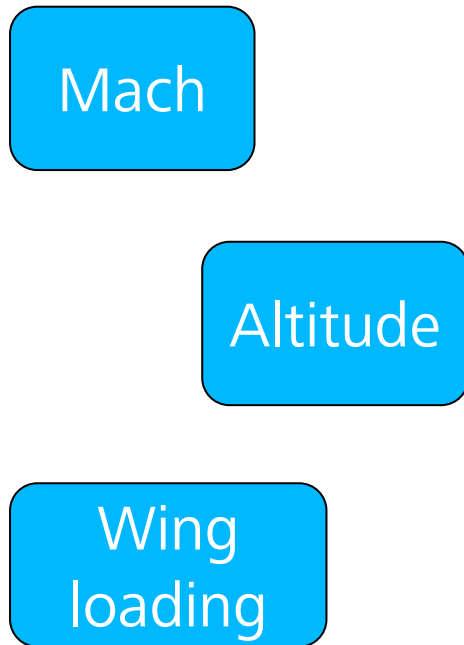
### Contents

- **Introduction**
- **Fundamental Models**
- **Fuel Consumption**
- **Direct Operating Costs**
- **Environmental Impact**
- **Combined Model**
- **Influence of Wing Loading**
- **Summary**

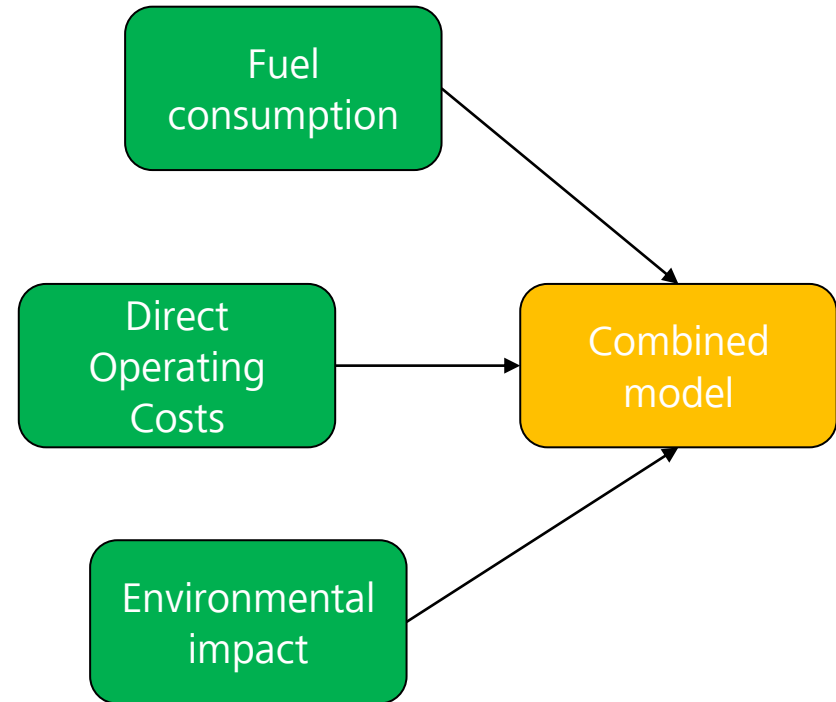
# Introduction

# Objective

Influence of:



On:



# Fundamental Models

# Aerodynamics

$$C_D = C_{D0} + \Delta C_{DW} + K \cdot C_L^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{\pi \cdot A \cdot e}$$

$$\leftarrow A = b^2 / S$$

$$C_{D0} = \frac{\pi \cdot A \cdot e}{4 \cdot E_{max}}$$

$$\Delta C_{DW} = A \cdot \tan \left( B \cdot \left( \frac{M}{M_{crit}} \right) - B \right) \cdot \cos^3(\varphi_{25,w})$$

	Result
<i>A</i>	0.001272
<i>B</i>	3.477

$$e = e_{theo} \cdot k_{e,F} \cdot k_{e,D0} \cdot k_{e,M}$$

Scholz 2015

# Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption (TSFC)

Input variables:

- **Cruise Mach number**
- **Cruise altitude**
- Bypass ratio
- Take-off thrust (one engine)
- Overall pressure ratio (if known)
- Turbine entry temperature



Photo: MikeDotta / Shutterstock

**Result: TSFC in kg/Ns**

$$\frac{\text{kg fuel}}{\text{NM flown} \cdot \text{kg of aircraft}}$$

$$\frac{\text{kg fuel}}{\text{km flown}}$$

$$\frac{\text{l fuel}}{100 \text{ km flown} \cdot \text{seat}}$$

Herrmann 2010



## Thrust Specific Fuel Consumption (TSFC)

$$SFC = \frac{0.697 \sqrt{\frac{T(h)}{T_0}} \left( \phi - \vartheta - \frac{\chi}{\eta_{comp}} \right)}{\sqrt{5 \eta_{noz} \left( 1 + \eta_{fan} \eta_{turb} BPR \right) \cdot \left( G + 0.2 M^2 BPR \frac{\eta_{comp}}{\eta_{fan} \cdot \eta_{turb}} \right) - M (1 + BPR)}}$$

$$G = \left( \phi - \frac{\chi}{\eta_{comp}} \right) \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{1.01}{\eta_{gasgen}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \cdot (\chi + \vartheta) \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{\chi}{\phi \cdot \eta_{comp} \cdot \eta_{turb}} \right)} \right)$$

$$\vartheta = 1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M^2 ; \quad \phi = T_{TE} / T(h) ; \quad \chi = \vartheta \cdot \left( OAPR^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1 \right) ; \quad \eta_{gasgen} = 1 - \frac{0.7 M^2 (1 - \eta_{inlet})}{1 + 0.2 M^2}$$

Turbine entry temperature in cruise:  $T_{TE} = \frac{-8000 \text{ K} \cdot \text{kN}}{T_{TO}} + 1520 \text{ K}$

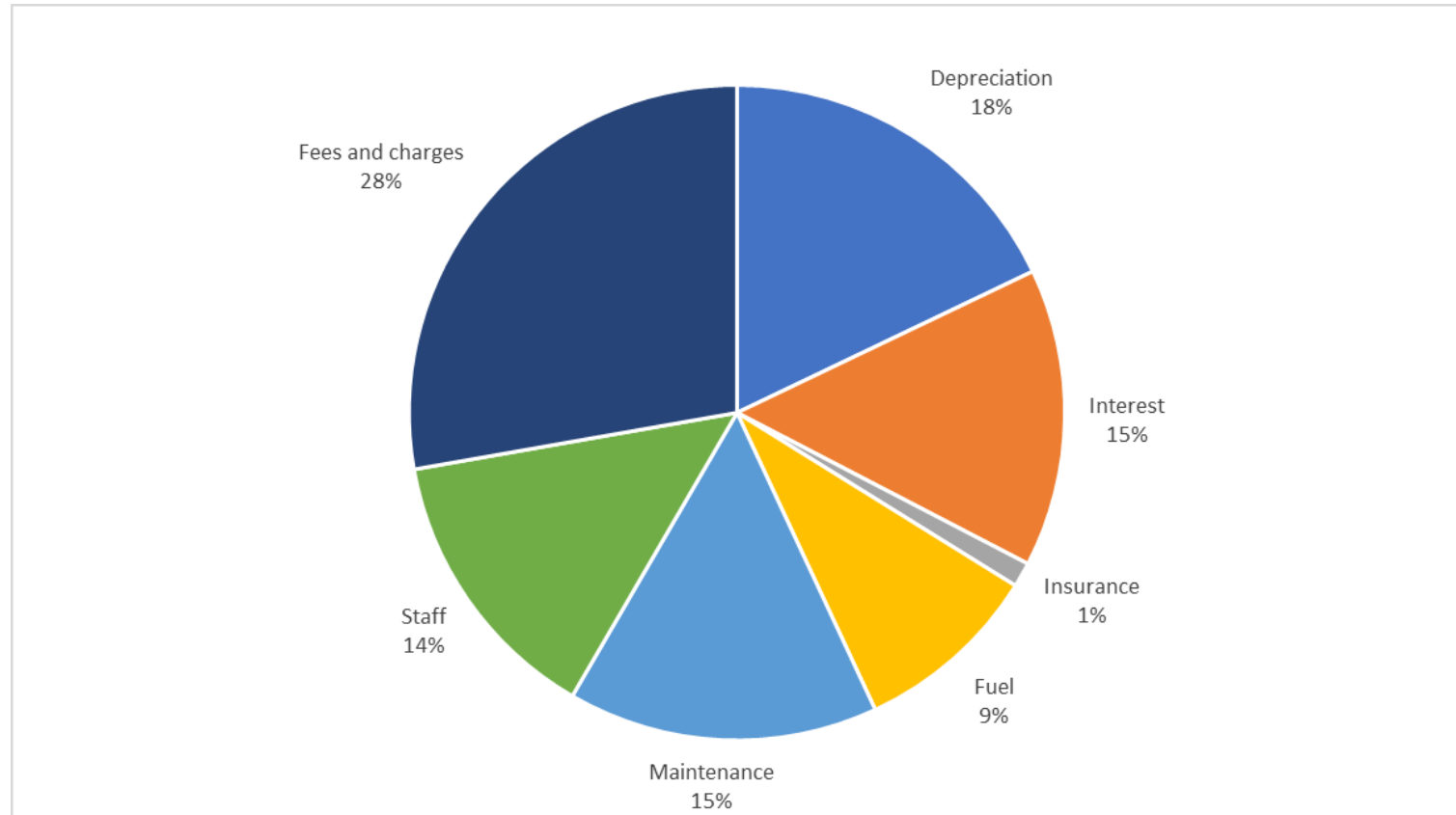
## Direct Operating Costs (DOC)

DOC model by Association of European Airlines (AEA 1989)  
presented by Scholz in his Lecture Notes (online).

$$C_{S,m} = \frac{C_{a/c,a}}{n_{seat} \cdot n_{t,a} \cdot R_{DOC}}$$

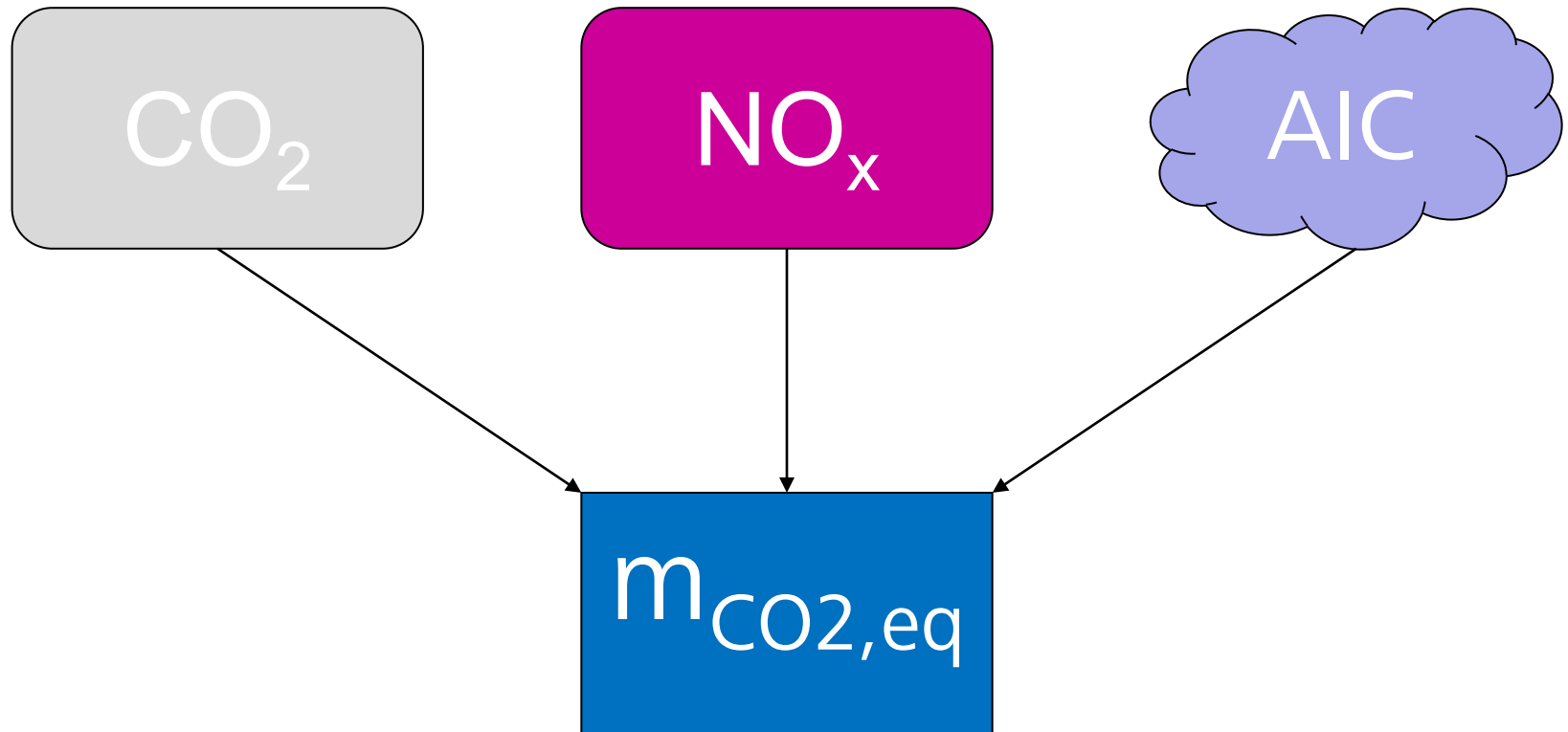
Scholz 2015

# Direct Operating Costs (DOC)



Calculation of DOC distribution for an Airbus A320-200 at Mach 0.78 and 11 500 m

# Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass



## Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass

$$m_{CO_2,eq} = \frac{EI_{CO_2} \cdot f_{NM}}{n_{seat}} \cdot 1 + \frac{EI_{NOx} \cdot f_{NM}}{n_{seat}} \cdot CF_{midpoint,NOx} + \frac{R_{NM}}{R_{NM} \cdot n_{seat}} \cdot CF_{midpoint,AIC}$$

units only

$$\frac{kg\ CO_2}{NM \cdot n_{seat}} =$$

$$\frac{kg\ CO_2/kg\ fuel \cdot kg\ fuel/NM}{n_{seat}} \cdot 1 + \frac{kg\ NOx/kg\ fuel \cdot kg\ fuel/NM}{n_{seat}} \cdot \frac{kg\ CO_2}{kg\ NOx} + \frac{NM}{NM \cdot n_{seat}} \cdot \frac{kg\ CO_2}{NM}$$

Schwarz 2011

# Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass

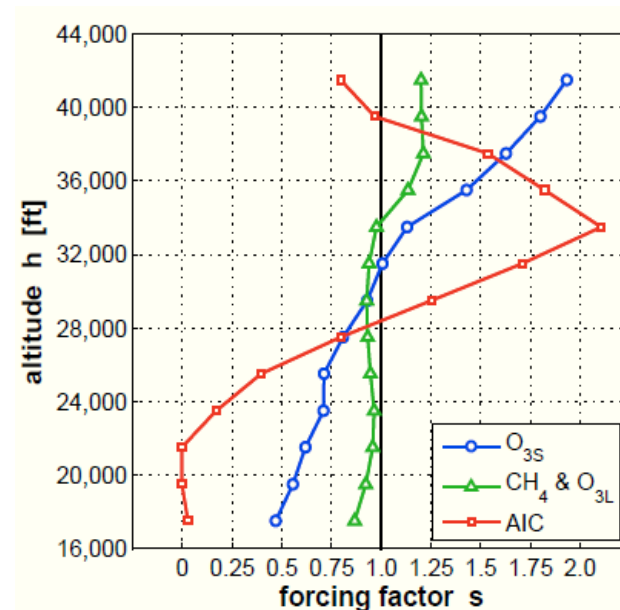
$$CF_{midpoint,AIC} = \frac{SGTP_{contrails,100}}{SGTP_{CO2,100}} \cdot s_{contrails}(H) + \frac{SGTP_{cirrus,100}}{SGTP_{CO2,100}} \cdot s_{cirrus}(H)$$

## SGTP Values\*

Species	SGTP <sub>i,100</sub>
CO <sub>2</sub> (K/kg CO <sub>2</sub> )	3,58 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>
Short O <sub>3</sub> (K/kg NO <sub>x</sub> )	7,79 · 10 <sup>-12</sup>
Long O <sub>3</sub> (K/NO <sub>x</sub> )	-9,14 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>
CH <sub>4</sub> (K/kg NO <sub>x</sub> )	-3,90 · 10 <sup>-12</sup>
Contrails (K/NM)	2,54 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>
Contrails (K/km)	1,37 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>
Cirrus (K/NM)	7,63 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>
Cirrus (K/km)	4,12 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>

\* Sustained Global Temperature change Potential

## Forcing Factor s = f(h)



Schwarz 2009, Schwarz 2011

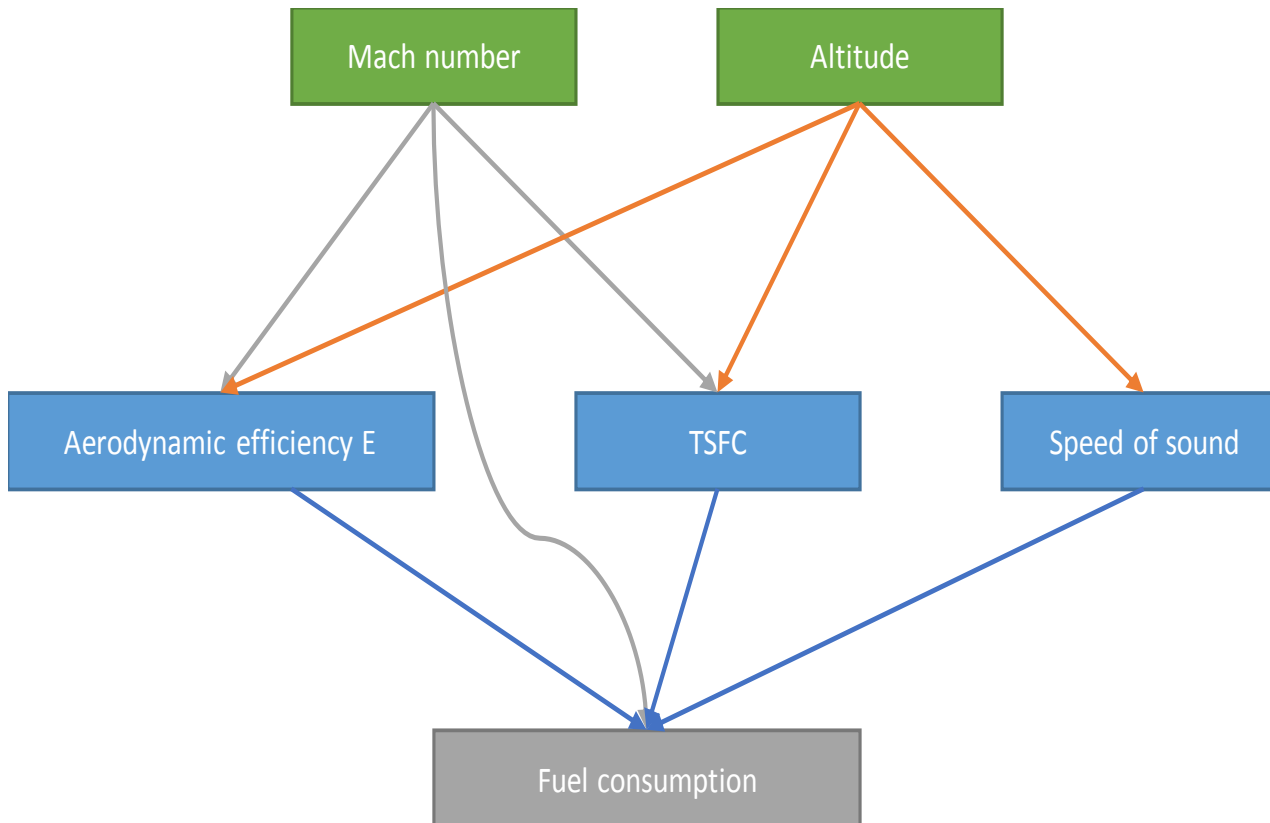
## Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass – Remarks About Results

- **All results are for an Airbus A320-200**
    - **Note: Single-aisle aircraft make up 69% of all passenger aircraft**
  - **All calculations have one or more factors based on statistical data**
    - **This means: Accurate when comparing different aircraft**
  - **Results withing expected order of magnitude**
- Goal is to visualize general trends (independent of specific aircraft)**

# Fuel Consumption



# Fuel Consumption



Specific Air Range, SAR

$$SAR = -\frac{dR}{dm} = \frac{V}{Q}$$

Jet: 
$$SAR = -\frac{dR}{dm} = \frac{V E}{c g} \cdot \frac{1}{m}$$

Generic Fuel Consumption:

$$f_{MTOW} = \frac{1/SAR/m_{MTO}}{M \cdot a \cdot E}$$

$$c = TSFC$$

# Fuel Consumption – TSFC

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,22E-05	1,3E-05	1,39E-05	1,49E-05	1,6E-05	1,73E-05	1,87E-05	
	3500	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,22E-05	1,3E-05	1,39E-05	1,48E-05	1,59E-05	1,71E-05	1,85E-05	
	4000	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,22E-05	1,3E-05	1,38E-05	1,47E-05	1,58E-05	1,7E-05	1,83E-05	
	4500	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,22E-05	1,29E-05	1,37E-05	1,47E-05	1,57E-05	1,68E-05	1,81E-05	
	5000	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,21E-05	1,29E-05	1,37E-05	1,46E-05	1,56E-05	1,67E-05	1,79E-05	
	5500	1,08E-05	1,15E-05	1,21E-05	1,28E-05	1,36E-05	1,45E-05	1,55E-05	1,65E-05	1,78E-05	
	6000	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,21E-05	1,28E-05	1,36E-05	1,44E-05	1,54E-05	1,64E-05	1,76E-05	
	6500	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,21E-05	1,28E-05	1,35E-05	1,44E-05	1,53E-05	1,63E-05	1,74E-05	
	7000	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,21E-05	1,28E-05	1,35E-05	1,43E-05	1,52E-05	1,62E-05	1,73E-05	
	7500	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,21E-05	1,27E-05	1,35E-05	1,42E-05	1,51E-05	1,61E-05	1,71E-05	
	8000	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,27E-05	1,34E-05	1,42E-05	1,50E-05	1,60E-05	1,70E-05	
	8500	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,27E-05	1,34E-05	1,41E-05	1,50E-05	1,59E-05	1,69E-05	
	9000	1,08E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,33E-05	1,41E-05	1,49E-05	1,58E-05	1,67E-05	
	9500	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,33E-05	1,40E-05	1,48E-05	1,57E-05	1,66E-05	
	10000	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,33E-05	1,40E-05	1,48E-05	1,56E-05	1,65E-05	
10500	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,32E-05	1,39E-05	1,47E-05	1,55E-05	1,64E-05		
11000	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,32E-05	1,39E-05	1,46E-05	1,54E-05	1,63E-05		
11500	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,32E-05	1,39E-05	1,46E-05	1,54E-05	1,63E-05		
12000	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,32E-05	1,39E-05	1,46E-05	1,54E-05	1,63E-05		
12500	1,09E-05	1,14E-05	1,20E-05	1,26E-05	1,32E-05	1,39E-05	1,46E-05	1,54E-05	1,63E-05		

Higher TAS  
=> higher TSFC

Higher altitude  
=> lower TAS  
for equal Mach number:  
 $a = f(h)$

Units: kg of fuel per N of thrust per second

## Fuel Consumption – TSFC

### Accuracy check of the TSFC model

Engine: CFM56-5B4

Result **model** (at  $M = 0.78$  and  $h = 11\,500$  m):  $\text{TSFC} = 1.59 * 10^{-5}$  kg/Ns

Result **literature** for CFM56 family: TSFC range =  $1.54 - 1.89 * 10^{-5}$  kg/Ns

Jenkinson 1999

# Fuel Consumption – E

$C_L$

		Mach number										
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8		
Altitude (m)	3000	0,818	0,647	0,524	0,433	0,364	0,310	0,267	0,233	0,205		
	3500	0,873	0,689	0,558	0,461	0,388	0,330	0,285	0,248	0,218		
	4000	0,931	0,736	0,596	0,492	0,414	0,353	0,304	0,265	0,233		
	4500	0,994	0,785	0,636	0,526	0,442	0,376	0,325	0,283	0,248		
	5000	1,062	0,839	0,680	0,562	0,472	0,402	0,347	0,302	0,266		
	5500	1,136	0,898	0,727	0,601	0,505	0,430	0,371	0,323	0,284		
	6000	1,216	0,961	0,778	0,643	0,541	0,461	0,397	0,346	0,304		
	6500	1,303	1,030	0,834	0,689	0,579	0,493	0,425	0,371	0,326		
	7000	1,397	1,104	0,894	0,739	0,621	0,529	0,456	0,397	0,349		
	7500	1,500	1,185	0,960	0,793	0,667	0,568	0,490	0,427	0,375		
	8000	1,612	1,274	1,032	0,853	0,716	0,610	0,526	0,458	0,403		
	8500	1,734	1,370	1,109	0,917	0,770	0,657	0,566	0,493	0,433		
	9000	1,866	1,475	1,195	0,987	0,830	0,707	0,609	0,531	0,467		
	9500	2,012	1,589	1,287	1,064	0,894	0,762	0,657	0,572	0,503		
	10000	2,170	1,715	1,389	1,148	0,965	0,822	0,709	0,617	0,543		
10500	2,344	1,852	1,500	1,240	1,042	0,888	0,766	0,667	0,586			
11000	2,532	1,996	1,609	1,330	1,117	0,952	0,821	0,715	0,628			
11500	2,720	2,149	1,741	1,439	1,209	1,030	0,888	0,774	0,680			
12000	2,913	2,315	1,884	1,557	1,308	1,115	0,961	0,837	0,736			

$C_D$

		Mach number										
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8		
Altitude (m)	3000	0,044	0,033	0,027	0,023	0,020	0,019	0,017	0,017	0,017		
	3500	0,048	0,036	0,029	0,024	0,021	0,019	0,018	0,017	0,018		
	4000	0,053	0,039	0,030	0,025	0,022	0,020	0,018	0,018	0,018		
	4500	0,058	0,042	0,033	0,027	0,023	0,021	0,019	0,018	0,018		
	5000	0,064	0,046	0,035	0,029	0,024	0,022	0,020	0,019	0,019		
	5500	0,071	0,050	0,038	0,031	0,026	0,023	0,021	0,019	0,019		
	6000	0,079	0,055	0,042	0,033	0,028	0,024	0,022	0,020	0,020		
	6500	0,088	0,061	0,046	0,036	0,030	0,026	0,023	0,021	0,021		
	7000	0,099	0,068	0,050	0,039	0,032	0,027	0,024	0,022	0,022		
	7500	0,112	0,076	0,056	0,043	0,035	0,029	0,026	0,023	0,023		
	8000	0,127	0,085	0,062	0,047	0,038	0,032	0,028	0,025	0,024		
	8500	0,145	0,097	0,069	0,052	0,042	0,035	0,030	0,027	0,025		
	9000	0,165	0,110	0,078	0,059	0,046	0,038	0,032	0,029	0,027		
	9500	0,190	0,125	0,088	0,066	0,051	0,042	0,035	0,031	0,029		
	10000	0,218	0,143	0,100	0,074	0,057	0,046	0,039	0,034	0,031		
10500	0,252	0,164	0,114	0,084	0,065	0,052	0,043	0,037	0,033			
11000	0,248	0,161	0,112	0,083	0,064	0,051	0,043	0,037	0,033			
11500	0,287	0,186	0,129	0,094	0,072	0,058	0,047	0,040	0,036			
12000	0,334	0,216	0,149	0,108	0,082	0,065	0,053	0,045	0,040			
12500	0,388	0,250	0,172	0,124	0,094	0,074	0,060	0,050	0,044			

$E$

		Mach number										
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8		
Altitude (m)	3000	18,59	19,47	19,46	18,89	17,96	16,71	15,38	13,90	11,88		
	3500	18,19	19,32	19,55	19,16	18,39	17,23	15,95	14,49	12,45		
	4000	17,73	19,08	19,55	19,37	18,75	17,71	16,50	15,07	13,02		
	4500	17,22	18,77	19,47	19,51	19,06	18,14	17,02	15,64	13,59		
	5000	16,65	18,39	19,31	19,56	19,29	18,52	17,50	16,18	14,16		
	5500	16,05	17,94	19,06	19,52	19,44	18,84	17,93	16,70	14,71		
	6000	15,41	17,42	18,73	19,39	19,51	19,08	18,31	17,18	15,25		
	6500	14,75	16,85	18,32	19,18	19,49	19,24	18,62	17,60	15,76		
	7000	14,07	16,24	17,84	18,87	19,37	19,30	18,85	17,96	16,22		
	7500	13,38	15,58	17,30	18,48	19,16	19,28	18,99	18,25	16,64		
	8000	12,68	14,90	16,69	18,01	18,85	19,15	19,03	18,46	17,00		
	8500	11,98	14,19	16,04	17,47	18,45	18,92	18,98	18,58	17,29		
	9000	11,29	13,47	15,35	16,86	17,97	18,60	18,83	18,60	17,49		
	9500	10,61	12,74	14,63	16,20	17,41	18,18	18,57	18,51	17,60		
	10000	9,95	12,01	13,89	15,50	16,79	17,68	18,22	18,32	17,61		
10500	9,30	11,29	13,13	14,76	16,10	17,10	17,77	18,03	17,52			
11000	9,38	11,37	13,22	14,85	16,19	17,17	17,82	18,07	17,54			
11500	8,75	10,66	12,46	14,08	15,46	16,53	17,29	17,68	17,35			
12000	8,15	9,96	11,71	13,31	14,70	15,83	16,69	17,21	17,07			
12500	7,58	9,30	10,98	12,54	13,94	15,10	16,03	16,65	16,69			

# Fuel Consumption – E

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	18,59	19,47	19,46	18,89	17,96	16,71	15,38	13,90	11,88	
	3500	18,19	19,32	19,55	19,16	18,39	17,23	15,95	14,49	12,45	
	4000	17,73	19,08	19,55	19,37	18,75	17,71	16,50	15,07	13,02	
	4500	17,22	18,77	19,47	19,51	19,06	18,14	17,02	15,64	13,59	
	5000	16,65	18,39	19,31	19,56	19,29	18,52	17,50	16,18	14,16	
	5500	16,05	17,94	19,06	19,52	19,44	18,84	17,93	16,70	14,71	
	6000	15,41	17,42	18,73	19,39	19,51	19,08	18,31	17,18	15,25	
	6500	14,75	16,85	18,32	19,18	19,49	19,24	18,62	17,60	15,76	
	7000	14,07	16,24	17,84	18,87	19,37	19,30	18,85	17,96	16,22	
	7500	13,38	15,58	17,30	18,48	19,16	19,28	18,99	18,25	16,64	
	8000	12,68	14,90	16,69	18,01	18,85	19,15	19,03	18,46	17,00	
	8500	11,98	14,19	16,04	17,47	18,45	18,92	18,98	18,58	17,29	
	9000	11,29	13,47	15,35	16,86	17,97	18,60	18,83	18,60	17,49	
	9500	10,61	12,74	14,63	16,20	17,41	18,18	18,57	18,51	17,60	
	10000	9,95	12,01	13,89	15,50	16,79	17,68	18,22	18,32	17,61	
	10500	9,30	11,29	13,13	14,76	16,10	17,10	17,77	18,03	17,52	
11000	9,38	11,37	13,22	14,85	16,19	17,17	17,82	18,07	17,54		
11500	8,75	10,66	12,46	14,08	15,46	16,53	17,29	17,68	17,35		
12000	8,15	9,96	11,71	13,31	14,70	15,83	16,69	17,21	17,07		
12500	7,58	9,30	10,98	12,54	13,94	15,10	16,03	16,65	16,69		

E values follow "diagonal"  
 rising Mach number –  
 rising altitude pattern

Optimum E at low altitude  
 and low Mach number  
 => Cruise Speed Reduction  
 (CSR)

# Fuel Consumption – Result from E and TSFC

		Mach number								
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8
Altitude (m)	3000	8,05E-05	7,26E-05	6,95E-05	6,94E-05	7,14E-05	7,59E-05	8,23E-05	9,16E-05	1,09E-04
	3500	8,28E-05	7,35E-05	6,95E-05	6,86E-05	6,99E-05	7,36E-05	7,92E-05	8,76E-05	1,03E-04
	4000	8,54E-05	7,48E-05	6,98E-05	6,80E-05	6,86E-05	7,16E-05	7,65E-05	8,40E-05	9,84E-05
	4500	8,85E-05	7,64E-05	7,03E-05	6,78E-05	6,77E-05	7,00E-05	7,41E-05	8,07E-05	9,38E-05
	5000	9,21E-05	7,85E-05	7,13E-05	6,79E-05	6,70E-05	6,86E-05	7,20E-05	7,79E-05	8,97E-05
	5500	9,62E-05	8,09E-05	7,25E-05	6,82E-05	6,67E-05	6,76E-05	7,03E-05	7,53E-05	8,60E-05
	6000	1,01E-04	8,38E-05	7,42E-05	6,90E-05	6,66E-05	6,68E-05	6,89E-05	7,32E-05	8,28E-05
	6500	1,06E-04	8,71E-05	7,62E-05	7,00E-05	6,69E-05	6,64E-05	6,78E-05	7,13E-05	7,99E-05
	7000	1,12E-04	9,10E-05	7,87E-05	7,15E-05	6,76E-05	6,63E-05	6,70E-05	6,99E-05	7,74E-05
	7500	1,19E-04	9,54E-05	8,16E-05	7,33E-05	6,86E-05	6,66E-05	6,66E-05	6,88E-05	7,54E-05
	8000	1,26E-04	1,00E-04	8,50E-05	7,56E-05	6,99E-05	6,72E-05	6,66E-05	6,80E-05	7,37E-05
	8500	1,34E-04	1,06E-04	8,90E-05	7,83E-05	7,17E-05	6,82E-05	6,69E-05	6,76E-05	7,24E-05
	9000	1,44E-04	1,13E-04	9,35E-05	8,15E-05	7,40E-05	6,96E-05	6,75E-05	6,76E-05	7,16E-05
	9500	1,54E-04	1,20E-04	9,87E-05	8,53E-05	7,67E-05	7,15E-05	6,86E-05	6,80E-05	7,11E-05
10000	1,65E-04	1,28E-04	1,05E-04	8,97E-05	7,99E-05	7,38E-05	7,02E-05	6,88E-05	7,11E-05	
10500	1,78E-04	1,37E-04	1,11E-04	9,47E-05	8,36E-05	7,66E-05	7,22E-05	7,01E-05	7,15E-05	
11000	1,78E-04	1,37E-04	1,11E-04	9,47E-05	8,36E-05	7,65E-05	7,21E-05	7,01E-05	7,15E-05	
11500	1,91E-04	1,46E-04	1,18E-04	9,98E-05	8,76E-05	7,95E-05	7,44E-05	7,16E-05	7,23E-05	
12000	2,05E-04	1,56E-04	1,26E-04	1,06E-04	9,21E-05	8,30E-05	7,71E-05	7,36E-05	7,35E-05	
12500	2,21E-04	1,68E-04	1,34E-04	1,12E-04	9,71E-05	8,70E-05	8,02E-05	7,60E-05	7,52E-05	

Big influence of E  
"diagonal" pattern

Pattern shifted higher  
due to TSFC

Pattern shifted faster  
due to Mach number in  
denominator

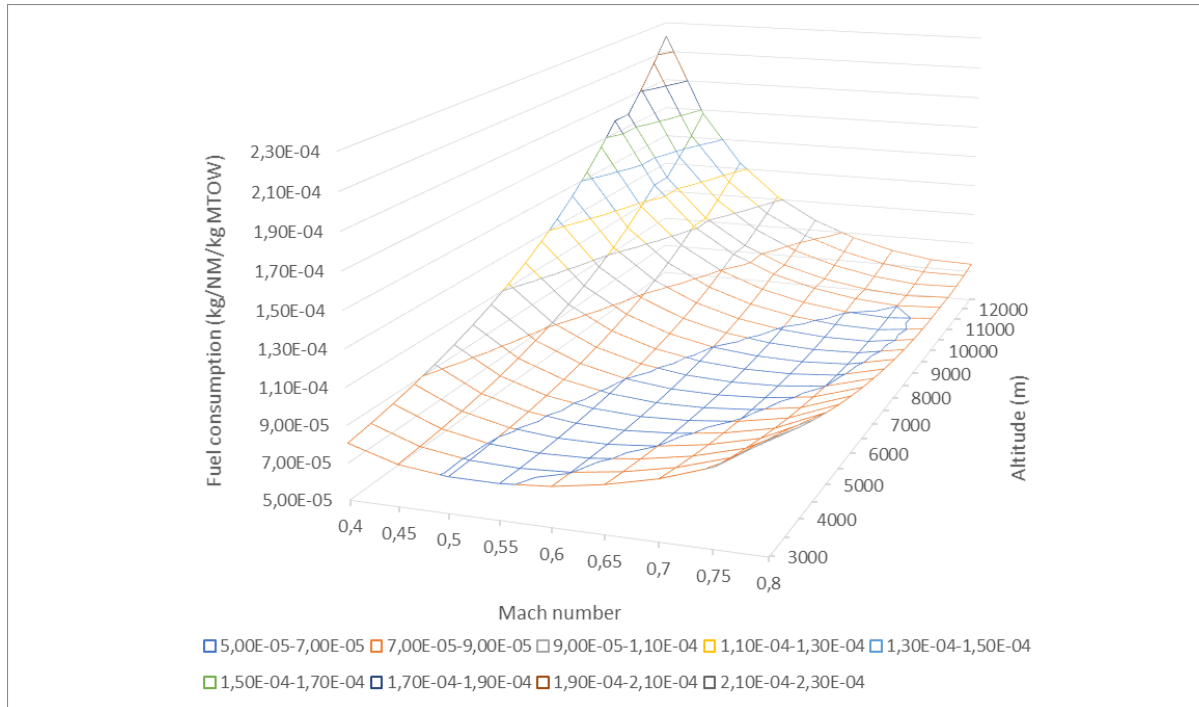
Units: kg of fuel per NM flown, per kg of aircraft MTOW

Generic Fuel Consumption:

$1/SAR/m_{MTO}$

$$f_{MTOW} = \frac{c \cdot g}{M \cdot a \cdot E}$$

# Fuel consumption - Result



Units: kg of fuel per NM flown, per kg of aircraft MTOW

**Optimum:**

0.76 Mach  
7000 m

7 % less fuel consumed  
compared to

0.78 Mach  
11 500 m

**Cruise Speed Reduction,  
CSR**

Dark blue zone: max 2.5  
% from optimum

## Fuel Consumption – Result Compared to a Car

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	2,13	1,92	1,84	1,84	1,89	2,01	2,18	2,42	2,88	
	3500	2,19	1,94	1,84	1,81	1,85	1,95	2,10	2,32	2,74	
	4000	2,26	1,98	1,85	1,80	1,82	1,90	2,02	2,22	2,60	
	4500	2,34	2,02	1,86	1,79	1,79	1,85	1,96	2,14	2,48	
	5000	2,44	2,08	1,89	1,80	1,77	1,82	1,91	2,06	2,37	
	5500	2,55	2,14	1,92	1,81	1,76	1,79	1,86	1,99	2,28	
	6000	2,67	2,22	1,96	1,82	1,76	1,77	1,82	1,94	2,19	
	6500	2,81	2,30	2,02	1,85	1,77	1,76	1,79	1,89	2,11	
	7000	2,96	2,41	2,08	1,89	1,79	1,76	1,77	1,85	2,05	
	7500	3,14	2,52	2,16	1,94	1,81	1,76	1,76	1,82	1,99	
	8000	3,33	2,66	2,25	2,00	1,85	1,78	1,76	1,80	1,95	
	8500	3,55	2,81	2,35	2,07	1,90	1,80	1,77	1,79	1,92	
	9000	3,80	2,98	2,47	2,16	1,96	1,84	1,79	1,79	1,89	
	9500	4,07	3,17	2,61	2,26	2,03	1,89	1,82	1,80	1,88	
	10000	4,38	3,39	2,77	2,37	2,11	1,95	1,86	1,82	1,88	
10500	4,72	3,63	2,95	2,50	2,21	2,03	1,91	1,85	1,89		
11000	4,72	3,63	2,94	2,50	2,21	2,03	1,91	1,85	1,89		
11500	5,06	3,87	3,13	2,64	2,32	2,10	1,97	1,89	1,91		
12000	5,43	4,14	3,33	2,79	2,44	2,20	2,04	1,95	1,94		
12500	5,84	4,43	3,55	2,96	2,57	2,30	2,12	2,01	1,99		

Units: kg of fuel per 100 km flown, **per seat**

Minimum: **1.76 kg / 100 km / seat**  
(only cruise flight, without Take-Off , Landing, ...)

Average car: 6 l / 100 km  
= 4.53 kg /100 km  
= **0.90 kg /100 km / seat**

**But:**

Car can carry 5 people, but only 1 ... 2 on average in the car. Load factor  $\approx$  30%

Aircraft has a load factor of 70% ... 80%

Fuel consumption per person (load factor!):

Car:

3.0 kg / 100 km/ pax

Aircraft:

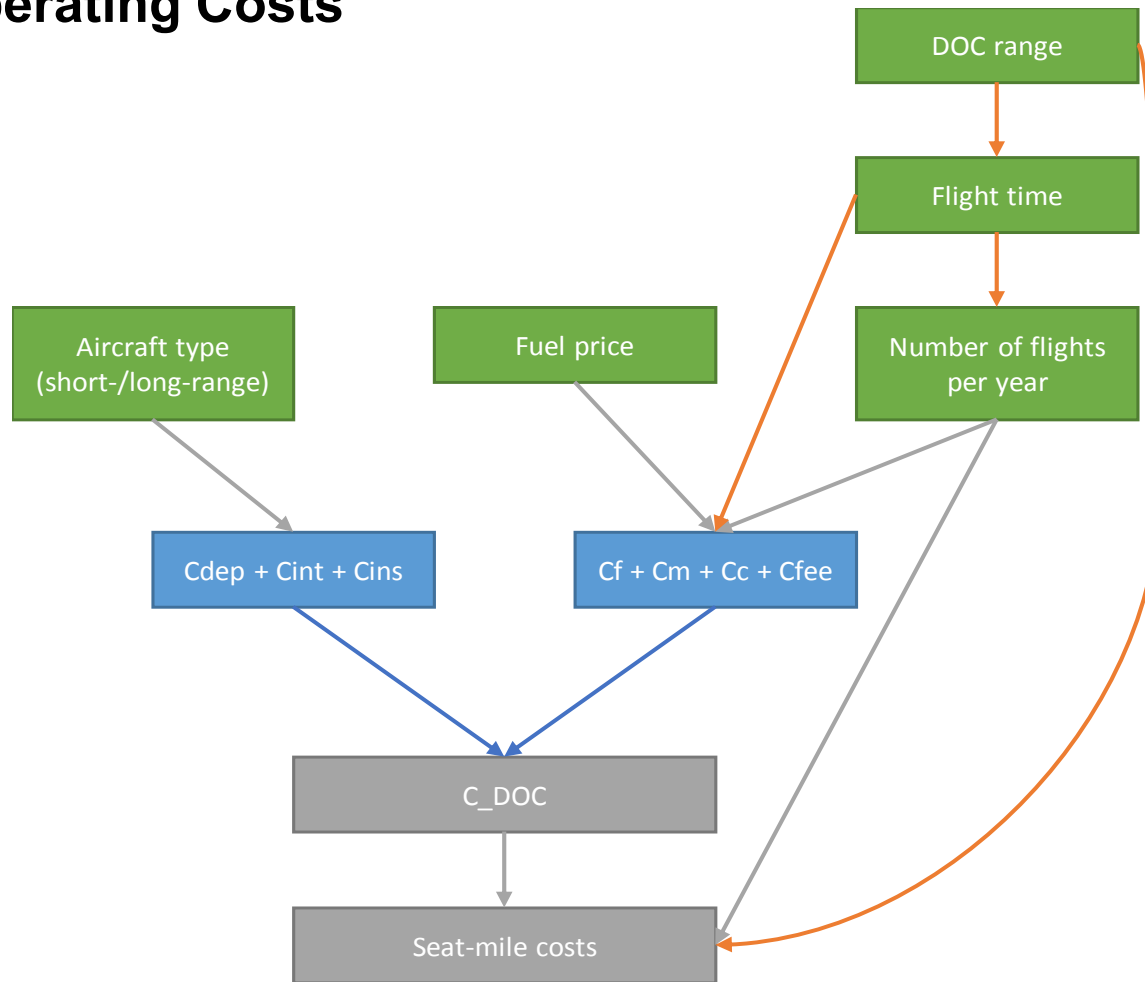
2.3 kg /100km/ pax

**comparable**, but **aircraft flies much longer distance**



# Direct Operating Costs

# Direct Operating Costs



## Direct Operating Costs – Flight Time

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	3,17	2,82	2,55	2,33	2,15	2,00	1,87	1,75	1,65	
	3500	3,22	2,87	2,60	2,38	2,20	2,04	1,91	1,80	1,70	
	4000	3,24	2,89	2,62	2,40	2,22	2,06	1,93	1,82	1,72	
	4500	3,26	2,90	2,63	2,41	2,23	2,08	1,95	1,83	1,73	
	5000	3,28	2,92	2,65	2,43	2,25	2,09	1,96	1,85	1,75	
	5500	3,30	2,94	2,66	2,45	2,26	2,11	1,98	1,86	1,76	
	6000	3,33	2,96	2,68	2,46	2,28	2,12	1,99	1,88	1,77	
	6500	3,35	2,98	2,70	2,48	2,29	2,14	2,00	1,89	1,79	
	7000	3,37	3,00	2,71	2,49	2,30	2,15	2,01	1,90	1,79	
	7500	3,39	3,02	2,73	2,50	2,32	2,16	2,02	1,90	1,80	
	8000	3,42	3,04	2,75	2,52	2,33	2,17	2,03	1,91	1,81	
	8500	3,44	3,06	2,76	2,53	2,34	2,18	2,04	1,92	1,81	
	9000	3,46	3,08	2,78	2,55	2,35	2,19	2,05	1,92	1,82	
	9500	3,49	3,10	2,80	2,58	2,39	2,23	2,10	1,98	1,88	
	10000	3,51	3,13	2,82	2,59	2,41	2,25	2,11	1,99	1,89	
10500	3,54	3,15	2,84	2,61	2,42	2,26	2,13	2,01	1,90		
11000	3,56	3,17	2,86	2,63	2,44	2,28	2,14	2,02	1,91		
11500	3,56	3,17	2,86	2,63	2,44	2,28	2,14	2,02	1,92		
12000	3,56	3,17	2,86	2,63	2,44	2,28	2,14	2,02	1,91		
12500	3,56	3,17	2,86	2,63	2,44	2,28	2,14	2,02	1,92		

Higher TAS  
 => lower flight time  
 => lower costs per distance

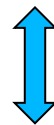
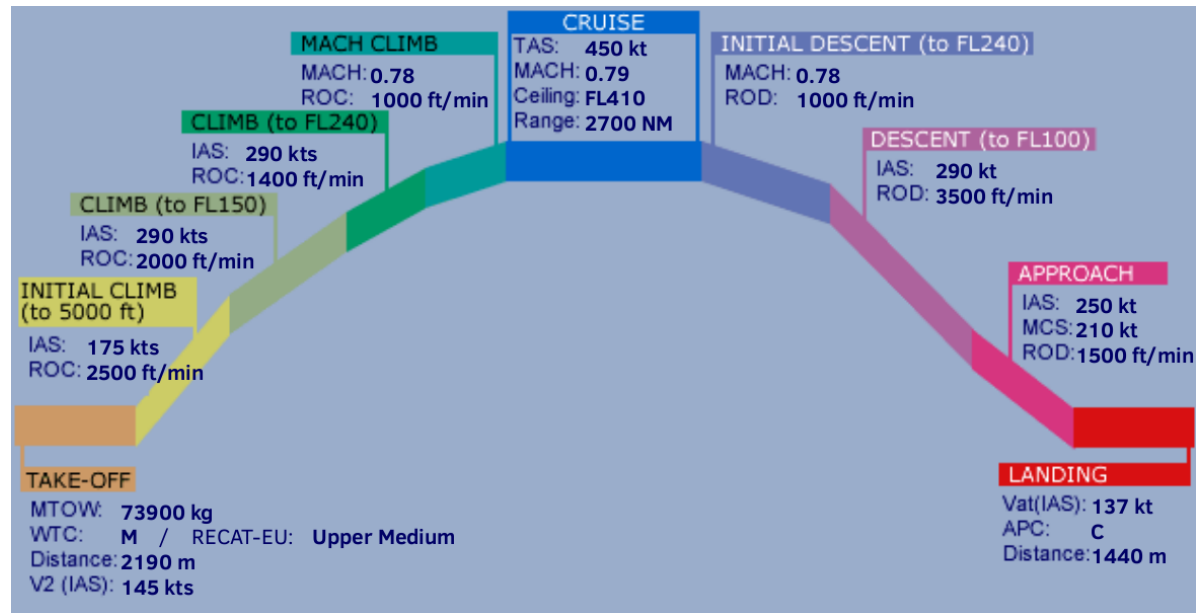
$$TAS = M * a$$

$$a = f(H)$$

Not considered here:  
 TAS is limited below  
 ≈ 7000 m

Units: hours

# Direct Operating Costs – Flight Time



$$t_f = \frac{R_{DOC}}{V}$$

Eurocontrol 2019

# Direct Operating Costs – Annual DOC

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	3,10E+07	3,17E+07	3,24E+07	3,31E+07	3,39E+07	3,47E+07	3,55E+07	3,64E+07	3,75E+07	
	3500	3,09E+07	3,16E+07	3,22E+07	3,29E+07	3,36E+07	3,44E+07	3,52E+07	3,60E+07	3,71E+07	
	4000	3,09E+07	3,15E+07	3,22E+07	3,29E+07	3,35E+07	3,43E+07	3,50E+07	3,58E+07	3,68E+07	
	4500	3,09E+07	3,15E+07	3,22E+07	3,28E+07	3,35E+07	3,41E+07	3,48E+07	3,56E+07	3,66E+07	
	5000	3,09E+07	3,15E+07	3,21E+07	3,27E+07	3,34E+07	3,40E+07	3,47E+07	3,54E+07	3,63E+07	
	5500	3,09E+07	3,15E+07	3,21E+07	3,27E+07	3,33E+07	3,39E+07	3,46E+07	3,53E+07	3,62E+07	
	6000	3,10E+07	3,15E+07	3,21E+07	3,27E+07	3,33E+07	3,39E+07	3,45E+07	3,52E+07	3,60E+07	
	6500	3,10E+07	3,15E+07	3,21E+07	3,26E+07	3,32E+07	3,38E+07	3,44E+07	3,51E+07	3,58E+07	
	7000	3,11E+07	3,16E+07	3,21E+07	3,26E+07	3,32E+07	3,38E+07	3,43E+07	3,50E+07	3,57E+07	
	7500	3,12E+07	3,16E+07	3,21E+07	3,26E+07	3,32E+07	3,37E+07	3,43E+07	3,49E+07	3,56E+07	
	8000	3,12E+07	3,17E+07	3,21E+07	3,26E+07	3,31E+07	3,37E+07	3,43E+07	3,48E+07	3,55E+07	
	8500	3,12E+07	3,17E+07	3,22E+07	3,26E+07	3,31E+07	3,37E+07	3,42E+07	3,48E+07	3,55E+07	
	9000	3,12E+07	3,18E+07	3,22E+07	3,27E+07	3,32E+07	3,37E+07	3,42E+07	3,48E+07	3,54E+07	
	9500	3,11E+07	3,19E+07	3,23E+07	3,27E+07	3,31E+07	3,35E+07	3,40E+07	3,45E+07	3,51E+07	
	10000	3,11E+07	3,19E+07	3,24E+07	3,27E+07	3,31E+07	3,35E+07	3,40E+07	3,45E+07	3,50E+07	
10500	3,11E+07	3,19E+07	3,24E+07	3,28E+07	3,32E+07	3,36E+07	3,40E+07	3,44E+07	3,50E+07		
11000	3,10E+07	3,18E+07	3,24E+07	3,27E+07	3,31E+07	3,35E+07	3,39E+07	3,44E+07	3,49E+07		
11500	3,11E+07	3,18E+07	3,25E+07	3,28E+07	3,32E+07	3,36E+07	3,40E+07	3,44E+07	3,49E+07		
12000	3,11E+07	3,19E+07	3,26E+07	3,30E+07	3,33E+07	3,37E+07	3,41E+07	3,45E+07	3,50E+07		
12500	3,11E+07	3,19E+07	3,26E+07	3,31E+07	3,34E+07	3,38E+07	3,42E+07	3,46E+07	3,50E+07		

Higher flight time  
 => less flights per year  
 => lower time-dependent costs:

- Fuel
- Maintenance
- Crew costs
- Fees and charges

Min. value per Mach number  
 => at min. fuel consumption

Units: USD

## Direct Operating Costs – Seat-Mile Cost

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,266	0,248	0,235	0,224	0,216	0,209	0,204	0,200	0,198	
	3500	0,269	0,251	0,237	0,226	0,218	0,211	0,205	0,201	0,199	
	4000	0,271	0,252	0,238	0,227	0,218	0,211	0,206	0,202	0,199	
	4500	0,272	0,253	0,239	0,228	0,219	0,212	0,206	0,202	0,199	
	5000	0,274	0,254	0,240	0,229	0,220	0,213	0,207	0,202	0,199	
	5500	0,276	0,256	0,241	0,229	0,220	0,213	0,207	0,203	0,199	
	6000	0,277	0,257	0,242	0,230	0,221	0,214	0,208	0,203	0,199	
	6500	0,279	0,258	0,243	0,231	0,222	0,214	0,208	0,203	0,200	
	7000	0,281	0,260	0,244	0,232	0,222	0,215	0,208	0,203	0,199	
	7500	0,283	0,262	0,245	0,233	0,223	0,215	0,209	0,203	0,200	
	8000	0,286	0,264	0,247	0,234	0,224	0,216	0,209	0,204	0,200	
	8500	0,287	0,265	0,248	0,235	0,225	0,216	0,209	0,204	0,200	
	9000	0,288	0,268	0,250	0,237	0,226	0,217	0,210	0,204	0,200	
	9500	0,290	0,270	0,252	0,239	0,228	0,220	0,213	0,207	0,203	
	10000	0,291	0,272	0,253	0,240	0,229	0,221	0,214	0,208	0,203	
10500	0,293	0,273	0,255	0,242	0,231	0,222	0,215	0,209	0,204		
11000	0,294	0,274	0,256	0,243	0,232	0,223	0,215	0,209	0,204		
11500	0,294	0,274	0,258	0,243	0,232	0,223	0,216	0,209	0,205		
12000	0,294	0,274	0,258	0,244	0,233	0,224	0,216	0,210	0,205		
12500	0,295	0,274	0,259	0,245	0,234	0,224	0,217	0,210	0,205		

Follows pattern of flight time:

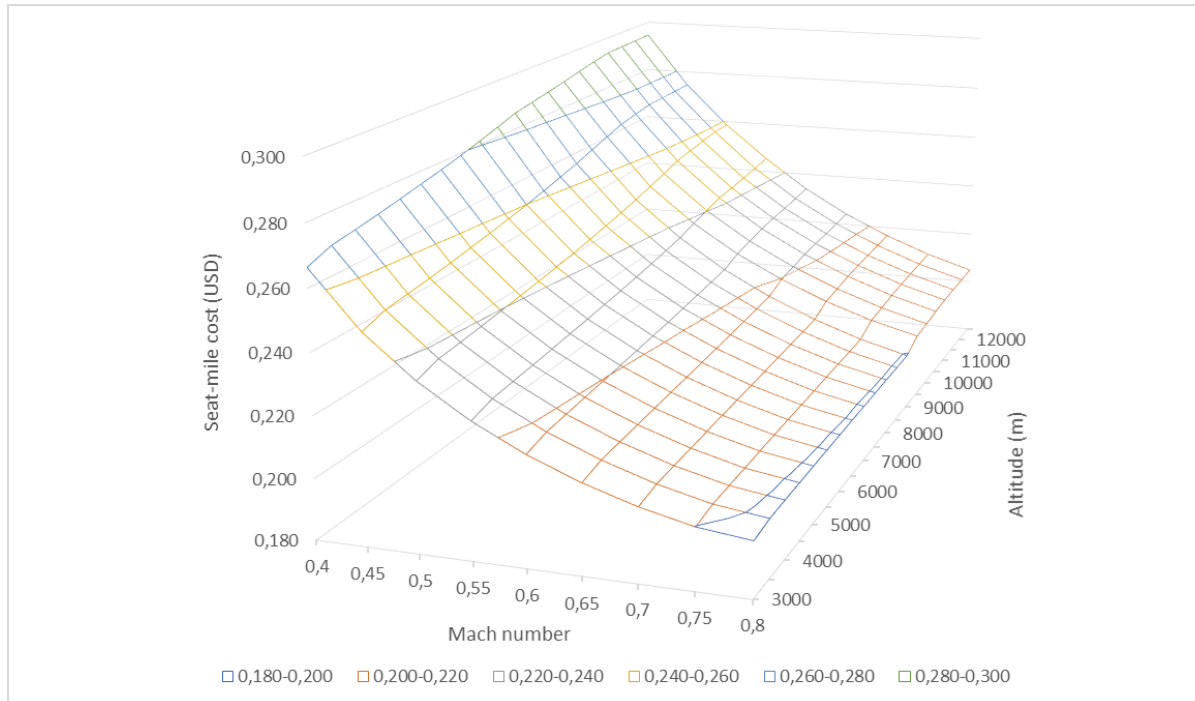
Not considered here:  
TAS is limited below  
≈7000 m

Influence:  
Flights per year  
and  
annual DOC

Altitude has little  
influence

Units: USD per seat, per NM

# Direct Operating Costs – Seat-Mile Cost



**Optimum:**

0.8 Mach  
3000 m

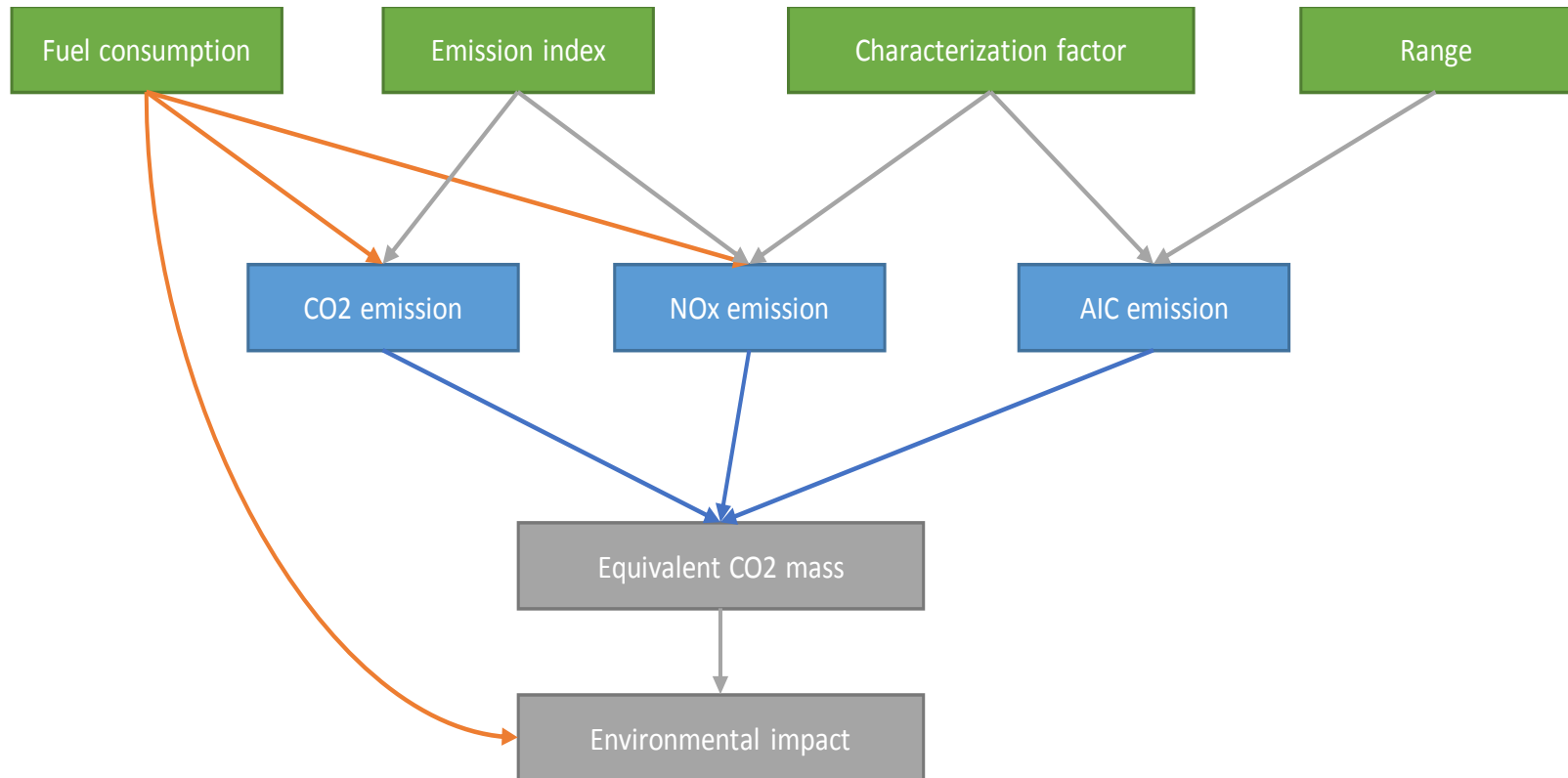
Not considered here:  
TAS is limited below  
≈ 7000 m

Units: USD per seat, per NM

# Environmental Impact



## Environmental Impact



# Environmental Impact – Emission Index NO<sub>x</sub>

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	13,38	13,63	14,49	15,85	17,72	20,31	23,65	28,19	35,71	
	3500	13,66	13,75	14,45	15,65	17,35	19,72	22,80	27,00	33,95	
	4000	14,00	13,92	14,46	15,51	17,04	19,21	22,05	25,92	32,35	
	4500	14,39	14,14	14,53	15,42	16,79	18,77	21,38	24,95	30,89	
	5000	14,85	14,42	14,66	15,40	16,60	18,40	20,80	24,09	29,57	
	5500	15,39	14,77	14,84	15,43	16,49	18,11	20,30	23,32	28,39	
	6000	15,99	15,19	15,10	15,54	16,44	17,89	19,88	22,66	27,34	
	6500	16,68	15,68	15,42	15,71	16,46	17,75	19,56	22,10	26,41	
	7000	17,46	16,25	15,82	15,95	16,56	17,69	19,32	21,64	25,60	
	7500	18,34	16,90	16,29	16,27	16,73	17,71	19,17	21,28	24,92	
	8000	19,33	17,65	16,86	16,68	16,99	17,82	19,11	21,02	24,36	
	8500	20,44	18,51	17,51	17,17	17,34	18,01	19,14	20,87	23,93	
	9000	21,68	19,48	18,27	17,76	17,78	18,30	19,27	20,82	23,61	
	9500	23,06	20,57	19,15	18,46	18,32	18,69	19,51	20,88	23,42	
	10000	24,60	21,80	20,14	19,27	18,97	19,19	19,86	21,06	23,37	
10500	26,33	23,18	21,27	20,20	19,74	19,81	20,33	21,37	23,44		
11000	26,26	23,12	21,21	20,14	19,68	19,75	20,27	21,31	23,38		
11500	29,01	25,39	23,16	21,85	21,20	21,13	21,53	22,46	24,41		
12000	32,12	27,98	25,37	23,80	22,96	22,73	23,00	23,82	25,64		
12500	35,65	30,91	27,89	26,02	24,96	24,57	24,70	25,40	27,10		

Calculated using Boeing Fuel Flow Method 2, BFFM2

Pattern of fuel consumption visible (corrected fuel flow)

Units: g of NO<sub>x</sub> emitted per kg of fuel burned

# Environmental Impact – Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,118	0,106	0,101	0,101	0,103	0,108	0,115	0,126	0,145	
	3500	0,121	0,107	0,101	0,099	0,101	0,105	0,111	0,121	0,139	
	4000	0,125	0,109	0,102	0,099	0,099	0,102	0,108	0,117	0,133	
	4500	0,129	0,112	0,102	0,098	0,098	0,100	0,105	0,113	0,128	
	5000	0,134	0,114	0,104	0,099	0,097	0,098	0,102	0,109	0,123	
	5500	0,146	0,124	0,111	0,105	0,102	0,103	0,106	0,112	0,126	
	6000	0,156	0,130	0,115	0,107	0,103	0,104	0,107	0,114	0,129	
	6500	0,171	0,140	0,123	0,113	0,108	0,108	0,110	0,117	0,132	
	7000	0,220	0,182	0,160	0,148	0,141	0,140	0,143	0,149	0,167	
	7500	0,271	0,227	0,201	0,187	0,179	0,176	0,177	0,184	0,200	
	8000	0,346	0,293	0,262	0,244	0,234	0,230	0,231	0,236	0,252	
	8500	0,458	0,391	0,352	0,329	0,316	0,310	0,310	0,315	0,332	
	9000	0,587	0,502	0,453	0,424	0,407	0,399	0,397	0,401	0,419	
	9500	0,710	0,607	0,547	0,512	0,490	0,479	0,475	0,478	0,494	
	10000	0,852	0,723	0,649	0,605	0,578	0,563	0,556	0,557	0,572	
10500	0,975	0,806	0,710	0,653	0,618	0,597	0,587	0,586	0,601		
11000	1,003	0,810	0,702	0,638	0,599	0,576	0,565	0,565	0,582		
11500	1,123	0,873	0,733	0,650	0,599	0,569	0,553	0,550	0,566		
12000	1,270	0,939	0,755	0,646	0,579	0,539	0,516	0,509	0,524		
12500	1,504	1,079	0,843	0,704	0,618	0,566	0,536	0,523	0,535		

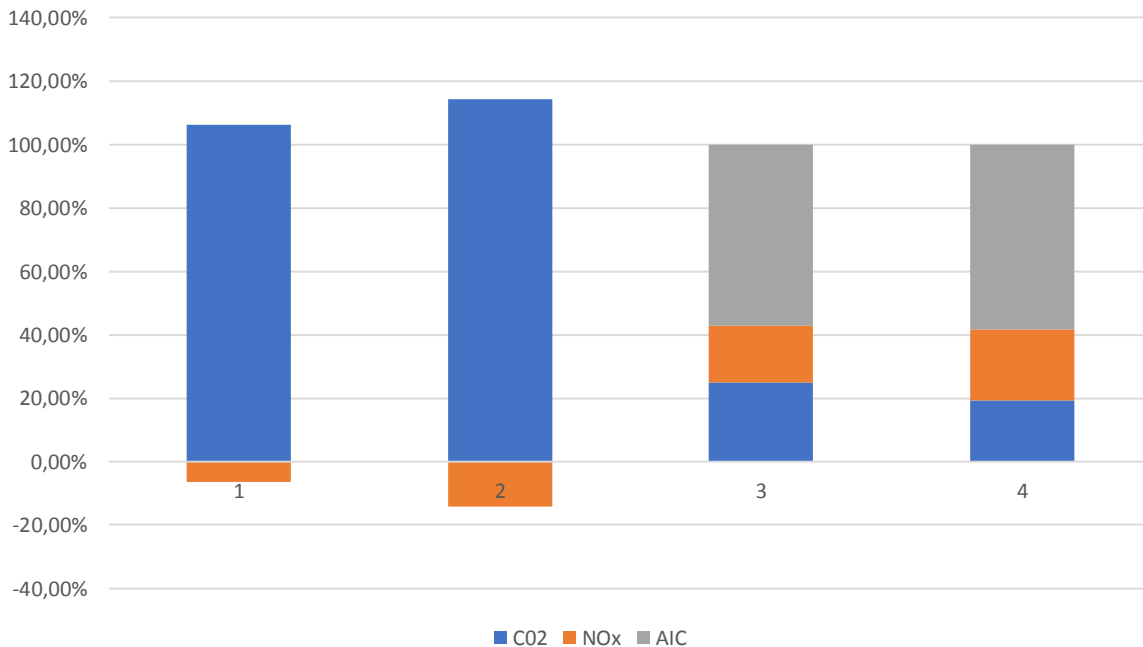
Noticeable altitude-dependency above 7000 m: AIC effect kicks in

Orange band around 10000 m ... 11 500 m => AIC maximum

Units: kg of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted per seat, per NM

# Environmental Impact – Equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> Mass

	Case 1	Case 2	Case 3	Case 4
M	0,55	0,8	0,5	0,75
H (m)	5000	4000	10000	11000
CO <sub>2</sub>	106,33%	114,29%	24,90%	19,15%
NO <sub>x</sub>	-6,33%	-14,29%	18,02%	22,46%
AIC	0,00%	0,00%	57,08%	58,39%



AIC: No influence at low altitude. No cirrus below 5000 m

NO<sub>x</sub> can have warming and cooling effect

# Environmental Impact – Result

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,053	0,023	0,012	0,011	0,018	0,035	0,058	0,092	0,155	
	3500	0,062	0,027	0,012	0,008	0,013	0,026	0,047	0,078	0,135	
	4000	0,072	0,032	0,013	0,006	0,008	0,019	0,037	0,064	0,117	
	4500	0,083	0,038	0,015	0,005	0,005	0,013	0,028	0,052	0,100	
	5000	0,097	0,046	0,018	0,006	0,002	0,008	0,020	0,042	0,085	
	5500	0,114	0,057	0,025	0,009	0,003	0,006	0,016	0,035	0,074	
	6000	0,133	0,068	0,032	0,012	0,003	0,004	0,012	0,028	0,065	
	6500	0,155	0,083	0,041	0,018	0,006	0,004	0,009	0,023	0,057	
	7000	0,192	0,110	0,062	0,035	0,020	0,015	0,018	0,030	0,061	
	7500	0,231	0,140	0,087	0,054	0,036	0,029	0,030	0,039	0,066	
	8000	0,282	0,180	0,119	0,082	0,060	0,050	0,048	0,055	0,079	
	8500	0,349	0,233	0,164	0,121	0,095	0,082	0,077	0,082	0,103	
	9000	0,425	0,294	0,215	0,166	0,135	0,118	0,111	0,112	0,131	
	9500	0,502	0,354	0,265	0,209	0,173	0,153	0,142	0,141	0,157	
	10000	0,589	0,422	0,320	0,256	0,215	0,190	0,176	0,172	0,184	
10500	0,675	0,481	0,364	0,289	0,241	0,211	0,193	0,186	0,196		
11000	0,685	0,483	0,361	0,284	0,234	0,203	0,185	0,178	0,189		
11500	0,769	0,535	0,394	0,305	0,247	0,211	0,188	0,178	0,186		
12000	0,867	0,591	0,426	0,322	0,255	0,211	0,184	0,170	0,175		
12500	1,000	0,677	0,485	0,364	0,285	0,234	0,201	0,183	0,184		

“Neutral” mix of 50 – 50 resource depletion and engine emissions

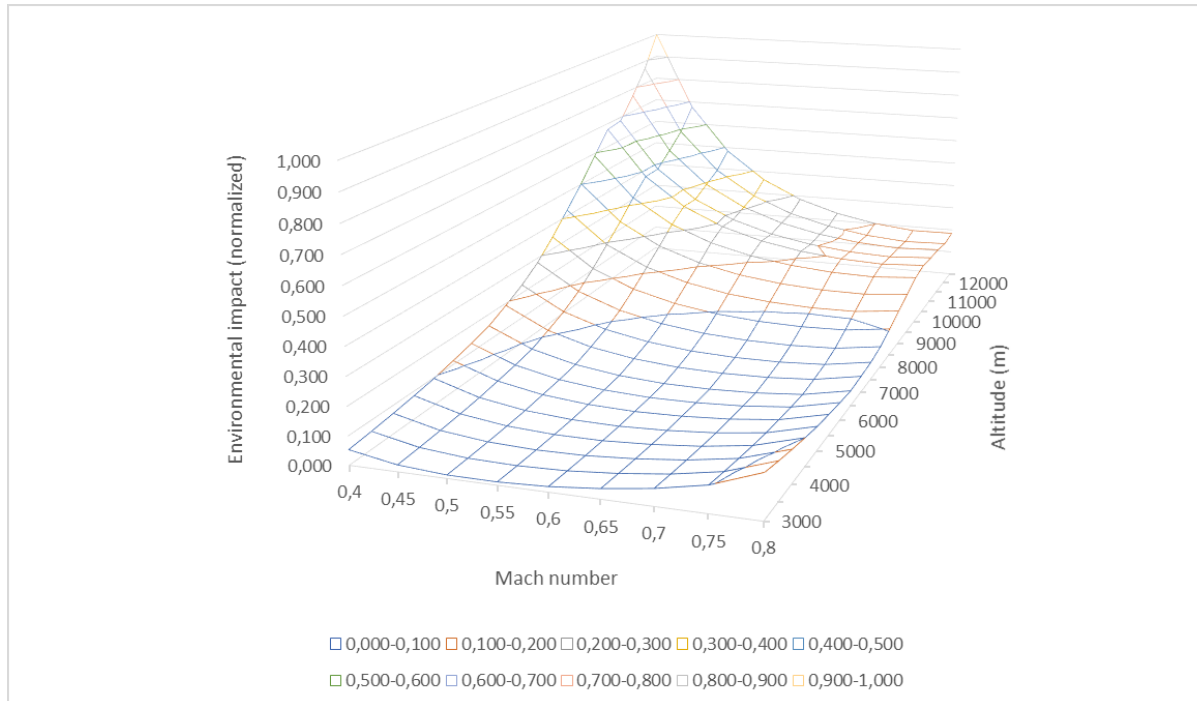
Clear altitude boundary from  $m_{CO2,eq}$  visible

Fuel consumption shape visible

Fly low and slow

Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

# Environmental Impact – Result



**Optimum:**

0.6 Mach  
5000 m

**“Better” option:**

0.78 Mach  
6500 m

77.7 % less  $m_{CO_2,eq}$   
5.6 % more fuel cons.

Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

## Environmental Impact – Result

Changing the regular cruise altitude of an Airbus A320-200 of about 11500 m to an altitude of 6500 m at a constant Mach 0.78 would result in:

- a decrease of equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> mass of 78 % and
- an increase of fuel consumption of 5.6 %.

The increase of fuel consumption is mostly influenced by

- an increase of TSFC of 6.0 % and
- a decrease of the aerodynamic efficiency of 5.4 %.

Combining equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> mass and resource depletion (fuel consumption) into the environmental impact would result in a decrease of 70 % in environmental impact.

As the Mach number is kept constant, DOC are only effected by fuel consumption and increase by only 0.6%.

## Environmental Impact – Result

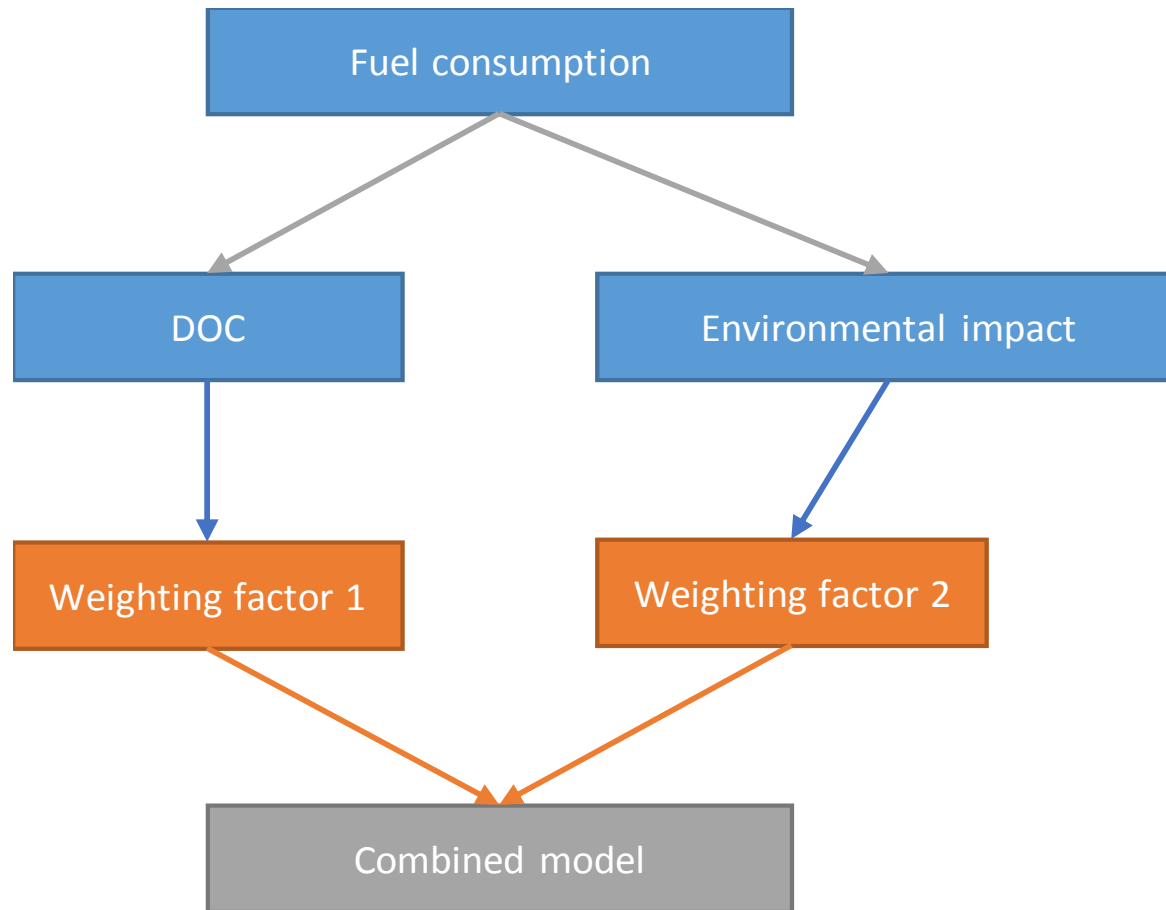
Changing the regular cruise altitude of an Airbus A320-200 of about 11500 m to and Mach 0.78 to an altitude of 6500 m and cruise speed reduction to Mach 0.65 would result in:

- resulting in a reduction of 83 % in environmental impact,
- this can be explained by the fuel consumption pattern: Mach 0.65 at 6500 m is right in the optimal dark green zone.
- DOC would be increased due to lower speed.
- The flight parameters for a minimal environmental impact are Mach 0.6 at an altitude of 5000 m.



# Combined Model

# Combined Model



# Combined Model – Equal DOC and Environmental Impact

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,381	0,271	0,196	0,141	0,101	0,075	0,060	0,056	0,078	
	3500	0,401	0,287	0,208	0,151	0,109	0,080	0,062	0,056	0,073	
	4000	0,413	0,295	0,213	0,154	0,110	0,080	0,060	0,051	0,065	
	4500	0,426	0,303	0,219	0,157	0,111	0,079	0,057	0,047	0,057	
	5000	0,441	0,314	0,225	0,161	0,114	0,079	0,056	0,043	0,050	
	5500	0,459	0,326	0,234	0,168	0,118	0,081	0,056	0,041	0,045	
	6000	0,477	0,339	0,243	0,173	0,121	0,083	0,056	0,039	0,040	
	6500	0,498	0,354	0,253	0,181	0,126	0,086	0,056	0,038	0,036	
	7000	0,527	0,376	0,270	0,194	0,137	0,094	0,063	0,042	0,038	
	7500	0,558	0,400	0,288	0,209	0,149	0,104	0,071	0,048	0,041	
	8000	0,595	0,429	0,312	0,229	0,166	0,118	0,082	0,057	0,048	
	8500	0,635	0,466	0,342	0,254	0,187	0,137	0,098	0,071	0,060	
	9000	0,680	0,507	0,376	0,282	0,212	0,158	0,117	0,088	0,074	
	9500	0,726	0,548	0,410	0,315	0,243	0,189	0,148	0,117	0,103	
	10000	0,777	0,592	0,447	0,346	0,270	0,213	0,169	0,136	0,119	
10500	0,828	0,629	0,480	0,372	0,291	0,230	0,183	0,148	0,128		
11000	0,839	0,635	0,483	0,373	0,291	0,229	0,182	0,147	0,128		
11500	0,882	0,662	0,505	0,388	0,301	0,236	0,186	0,149	0,127		
12000	0,932	0,691	0,526	0,401	0,309	0,239	0,186	0,146	0,122		
12500	1,000	0,734	0,556	0,428	0,328	0,254	0,197	0,154	0,128		

DOC shifts environmental impact optimum to a higher Mach number

Not considered here: TAS is limited below  $\approx 7000$  m

Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

## Combined Model – Emphasis on DOC

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,577	0,420	0,306	0,219	0,151	0,099	0,061	0,035	0,031	
	3500	0,604	0,442	0,326	0,236	0,166	0,112	0,071	0,043	0,036	
	4000	0,618	0,452	0,333	0,242	0,171	0,116	0,073	0,043	0,034	
	4500	0,632	0,463	0,341	0,248	0,175	0,119	0,075	0,043	0,031	
	5000	0,648	0,474	0,350	0,255	0,181	0,122	0,077	0,044	0,029	
	5500	0,666	0,488	0,359	0,263	0,186	0,127	0,080	0,045	0,027	
	6000	0,684	0,502	0,369	0,270	0,192	0,130	0,082	0,045	0,025	
	6500	0,704	0,517	0,380	0,279	0,199	0,135	0,085	0,046	0,024	
	7000	0,728	0,535	0,394	0,290	0,207	0,142	0,089	0,049	0,025	
	7500	0,754	0,555	0,409	0,302	0,217	0,149	0,095	0,053	0,026	
	8000	0,783	0,579	0,428	0,316	0,229	0,159	0,102	0,058	0,029	
	8500	0,807	0,605	0,449	0,333	0,242	0,169	0,111	0,065	0,034	
	9000	0,833	0,635	0,472	0,353	0,258	0,182	0,122	0,073	0,040	
	9500	0,860	0,665	0,497	0,378	0,285	0,211	0,151	0,103	0,070	
	10000	0,890	0,694	0,523	0,401	0,304	0,227	0,165	0,115	0,080	
10500	0,919	0,717	0,549	0,421	0,321	0,241	0,177	0,125	0,088		
11000	0,931	0,726	0,557	0,426	0,325	0,245	0,180	0,128	0,091		
11500	0,950	0,738	0,572	0,438	0,334	0,251	0,184	0,131	0,092		
12000	0,971	0,750	0,586	0,449	0,341	0,255	0,187	0,131	0,090		
12500	1,000	0,769	0,599	0,466	0,354	0,266	0,195	0,137	0,095		

Environmental impact almost indiscernible

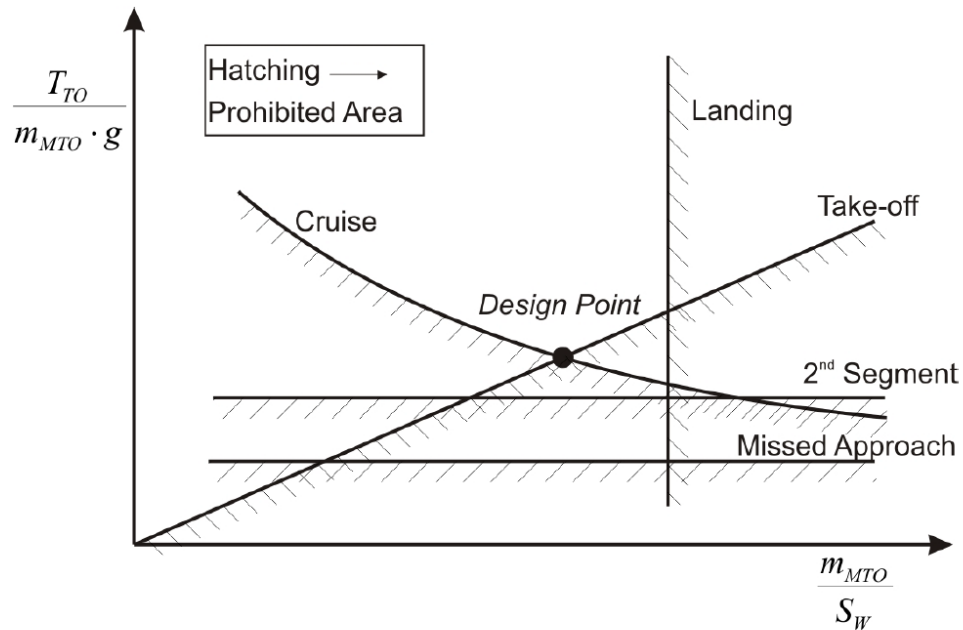
Optimum is better: impact DOC

Not considered here: TAS is limited below  $\approx 7000$  m

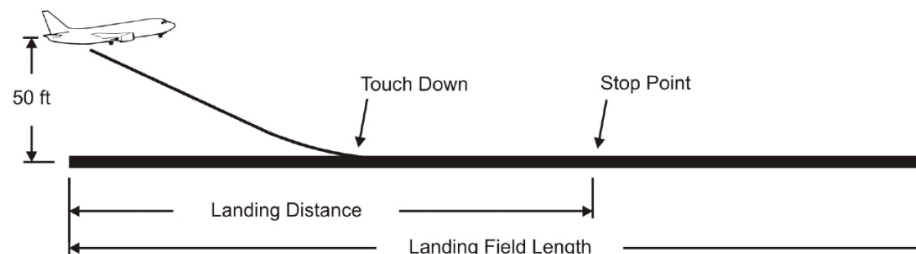
Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

# Influence of Wing Loading

# Influence of Wing Loading



Higher wing loading is limited by requirement for Landing Field Length, LFL



Scholz 2015

## Influence of Wing Loading

$$C_L(m/S) = \frac{2 \cdot g \cdot (m/S)}{\rho \cdot M^2 \cdot a^2}$$

Higher wing loading (due to smaller wing area)

=> higher lift coefficient for the same TAS =  $M \cdot a$  and altitude or:

=> the same lift coefficient at lower flight altitude possible for the same TAS,  
but at lower Mach number

=> higher glide ratio E due to lower Mach number

=> lower fuel consumption,

## Influence of Wing Loading – 50% Higher Wing Loading

		Mach number									
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8	
Altitude (m)	3000	0,071	0,035	0,015	0,004	0,000	0,001	0,007	0,018	0,040	
	3500	0,081	0,041	0,019	0,006	0,001	0,000	0,004	0,013	0,034	
	4000	0,092	0,049	0,024	0,009	0,002	0,000	0,003	0,010	0,028	
	4500	0,105	0,057	0,029	0,013	0,003	0,000	0,001	0,007	0,024	
	5000	0,119	0,067	0,036	0,017	0,006	0,001	0,001	0,006	0,020	
	5500	0,136	0,079	0,044	0,023	0,010	0,004	0,002	0,005	0,018	
	6000	0,156	0,092	0,054	0,030	0,015	0,007	0,004	0,005	0,016	
	6500	0,178	0,108	0,065	0,038	0,021	0,011	0,006	0,007	0,016	
	7000	0,209	0,131	0,083	0,053	0,033	0,021	0,015	0,014	0,022	
	7500	0,243	0,156	0,103	0,069	0,047	0,033	0,025	0,023	0,029	
	8000	0,284	0,188	0,129	0,091	0,066	0,050	0,040	0,036	0,040	
	8500	0,338	0,230	0,163	0,119	0,091	0,072	0,061	0,055	0,057	
	9000	0,400	0,277	0,201	0,152	0,119	0,098	0,084	0,076	0,077	
	9500	0,464	0,326	0,240	0,185	0,148	0,123	0,107	0,097	0,096	
	10000	0,539	0,381	0,284	0,221	0,180	0,151	0,132	0,120	0,117	
	10500	0,624	0,439	0,327	0,254	0,206	0,173	0,150	0,136	0,131	
11000	0,642	0,448	0,331	0,255	0,205	0,171	0,148	0,133	0,128		
11500	0,738	0,510	0,373	0,285	0,227	0,188	0,161	0,143	0,136		
12000	0,855	0,583	0,421	0,319	0,250	0,204	0,172	0,151	0,141		
12500	1,000	0,678	0,488	0,368	0,288	0,234	0,197	0,172	0,159		

Optima of fuel consumption and equivalent CO2 mass are closer to each other, because of lower altitude possible.

Note, with higher wing loading:  
 => Longer Landing Field Length, LFL needs to be accepted  
 => Not all airports can be served

Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

## Environmental Impact



## Influence of Wing Loading – 50% Higher Wing Loading

		Mach number								
		0,4	0,45	0,5	0,55	0,6	0,65	0,7	0,75	0,8
Altitude (m)	3000	0,404	0,290	0,210	0,149	0,102	0,067	0,041	0,024	0,020
	3500	0,427	0,308	0,225	0,162	0,114	0,077	0,049	0,030	0,024
	4000	0,441	0,319	0,233	0,169	0,119	0,081	0,052	0,032	0,024
	4500	0,457	0,331	0,241	0,175	0,124	0,085	0,055	0,033	0,024
	5000	0,474	0,343	0,251	0,183	0,131	0,090	0,059	0,036	0,024
	5500	0,492	0,358	0,262	0,192	0,138	0,096	0,063	0,039	0,026
	6000	0,507	0,373	0,274	0,201	0,145	0,101	0,067	0,041	0,027
	6500	0,524	0,391	0,287	0,211	0,153	0,107	0,072	0,045	0,029
	7000	0,546	0,412	0,303	0,225	0,164	0,117	0,079	0,051	0,033
	7500	0,569	0,433	0,322	0,240	0,177	0,127	0,088	0,058	0,039
	8000	0,596	0,455	0,344	0,258	0,192	0,140	0,099	0,067	0,046
	8500	0,630	0,481	0,370	0,280	0,210	0,156	0,113	0,079	0,056
	9000	0,668	0,511	0,398	0,304	0,231	0,174	0,129	0,093	0,068
	9500	0,707	0,541	0,423	0,333	0,259	0,201	0,156	0,120	0,094
	10000	0,752	0,576	0,450	0,362	0,283	0,223	0,174	0,137	0,109
10500	0,802	0,611	0,477	0,384	0,305	0,241	0,191	0,151	0,121	
11000	0,817	0,621	0,484	0,388	0,308	0,243	0,192	0,151	0,122	
11500	0,866	0,653	0,506	0,404	0,325	0,256	0,202	0,160	0,129	
12000	0,926	0,691	0,531	0,421	0,340	0,270	0,212	0,167	0,134	
12500	1,000	0,739	0,565	0,446	0,359	0,290	0,230	0,182	0,147	

Optima of DOC and environmental impact are closer to each other, because of higher speed possible.

Note:  
 => Longer Landing Field Length, LFL needs to be accepted  
 => Not all airports can be served

Units: normalized value between 0 and 1

## Combined Model – Equal DOC and Environmental Impact

# Summary

## Summary

- Decisions in the aviation industry are made around **economic considerations**. For the **short/medium range fuel consumption** accounts only for about **9 %**. This means an improvement in environmental impact is unlikely to be driven by market forces for these type of aircraft (rather by maintenance costs and labor costs). *See page 11.*
- In cruise flight **CO<sub>2</sub> emissions** account for less than **20 %**, while **AIC** accounts for almost **60 %** of the equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> mass. This implies an “**H<sub>2</sub>O problem**” rather than a CO<sub>2</sub> problem. Many activities in the industry to lower CO<sub>2</sub> emissions lose their justification in this context. However: The precise impact of AIC is still shrouded in uncertainties. *See page 36.*
- Savings can also be made in the **design stage** of an aircraft if we are willing to sacrifice some present-day **operational capabilities** or adapt future airports to the longer required **landing field length**. *See page 49.*
- **Finally: There is no need to wait for newer, more efficient aircraft. Today, flying at an altitude of 6500 m would reduce the environmental impact by 70 % combined with an increase of 6 % in fuel consumption and only about 0.6 % increase in DOC for short / medium range aircraft. See page 39.**

## Contact

[brecht.caers@hotmail.com](mailto:brecht.caers@hotmail.com)

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/brecht-caers/>

Based on my Master Thesis

Download:

<https://nbn-resolving.org/urn:nbn:de:gbv:18302-aero2019-07-28.013>

<http://library.ProfScholz.de>

## Conditions for Passenger Aircraft Minimum Fuel Consumption, Direct Operating Costs and Environmental Impact

### References

BOEING, 2018. Boeing Commercial Market Outlook. Seattle, WA: Boeing Commercial Airplanes. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2FoJqWW>, archived as: <https://perma.cc/T9BS-FBX3>

HERRMANN, Steffen, 2010. Untersuchung des Einflusses der Motorenzahl auf die Wirtschaftlichkeit eines Verkehrsflugzeuges unter Berücksichtigung eines optimalen Bypassverhältnisses. Berlin, Germany: Technical University, Institute for Aerospace Sciences, Department of Aircraft and Lightweight Design, Thesis.

EUROCONTROL, 2019. Aircraft Performance Database. 2019/06/21, Website. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2ItpbZ0>, archived as: <https://perma.cc/6MRT-LTXJ>

SCHOLZ, Dieter, 2015. *Aircraft design*. Hamburg, Germany: HAW Hamburg, Lecture notes. Available at: <https://bit.ly/2Kwd8N4>, archived as: <https://perma.cc/H5GK-HN3N>

SCHWARZ, Emily Dallara, KROO, Ilan M., 2009. Aircraft Design: Trading Cost and Climate Impact. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.2514/6.2009-1261>, archived as: <https://perma.cc/5S8U-RPM8>

SCHWARZ, Emily Dallara, 2011. Aircraft Design for Reduced Climate Impact. Stanford, UK: Stanford University, Dissertation. Available at: <https://stanford.io/2ZDuifo>, archived as: <https://perma.cc/683N-3RQG>

JENKINSON, R. Lloyd, SIMPKIN, Paul, RHODES, Darren, 1999. Civil Jet Aircraft Design. Oxford, UK: Butterworth-Heinemann.

All online resources have been accessed on 2020-08-31 or later.

**Quote this document:**

CAERS, Brecht, SCHOLZ, Dieter: Conditions for Passenger Aircraft Minimum Fuel Consumption, Direct Operating Costs and Environmental Impact (German Aerospace Congress 2020, Online, 01 - 03 September 2020), 2020. – Available at: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.4068135>

© Copyright by Authors,

CC BY-NC-SA, <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-sa/4.0>

