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Topic: Wing Structure

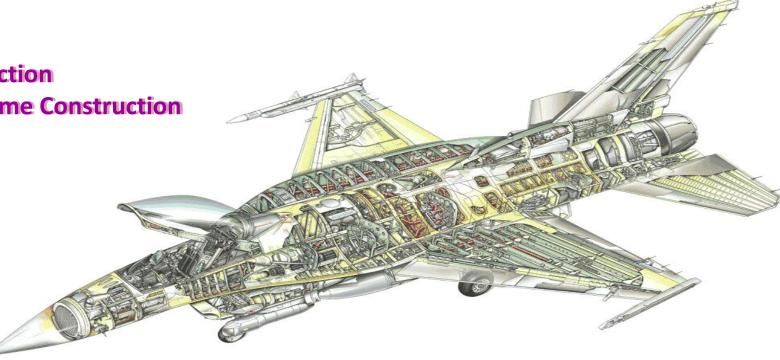
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Recall



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Wing Structure

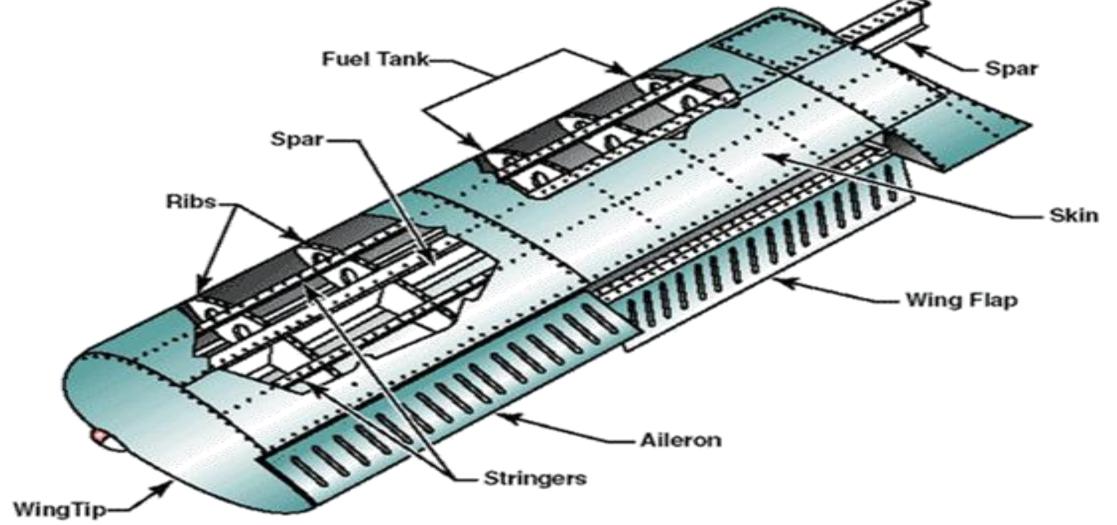


- Many high-wing airplanes have external braces, or wing struts, which transmit the flight and landing loads through the struts to the main fuselage structure.
- Since the wing struts are usually attached approximately halfway out on the wing, this type of wing structure is called *semi-cantilever*.
- ❖ A few high-wing and most low-wing airplanes have a *full cantilever* wing designed to carry the loads without external struts.
- The principal structural parts of the wing are spars, ribs, and stringers.
- These are reinforced by trusses, I-beams, tubing, or other devices, including the skin.
- The wing ribs determine the shape and thickness of the wing (airfoil).



Wing Structure of an airplane







Wing Structure

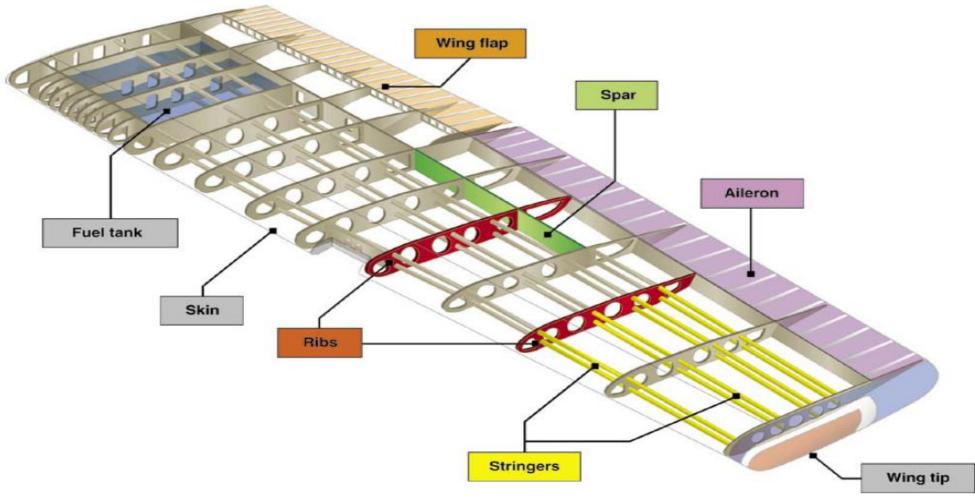


- ➤ In most modern airplanes, the fuel tanks either are an integral part of the wing structure, or consist of flexible containers mounted inside of the wing.
- Attached to the rear, or trailing, edges of the wings are two types of control surfaces referred to as *ailerons* and *flaps*.
- Ailerons extend from about the midpoint of each wing outward toward the tip and move in opposite directions to create aerodynamic forces that cause the airplane to roll.
- Flaps extend outward from the fuselage to near the midpoint of each wing.
- ➤ The flaps are normally flush with the wing's surface during cruising flight.
- ➤ When extended, the flaps move simultaneously downward to increase the lifting force of the wing for takeoffs and landings.



Wing Structure of an airplane

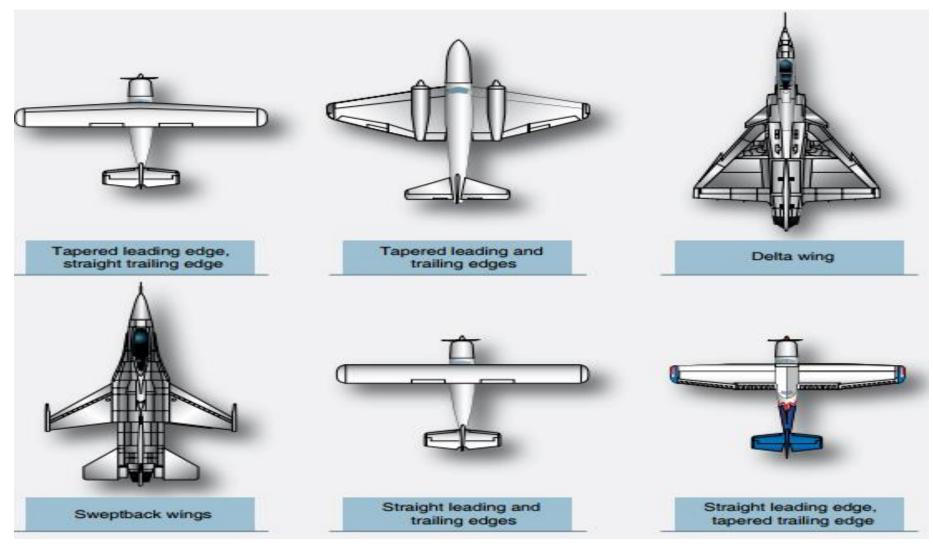






Wing Types







Wing Types



Set of wings, that may be swept back and then returned to its

original position during flight.





Variable-sweep wing (Tornado F3)

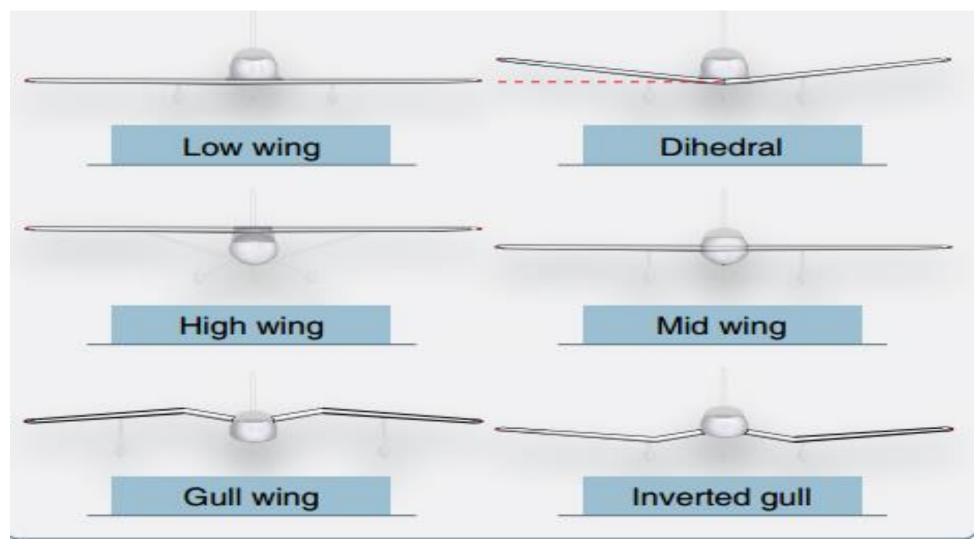


delta wing (concorde)



Wings Positions







Empennage Structure



- The correct name for the tail section of an airplane is empennage. The empennage includes the entire tail group, consisting of fixed surfaces such as the vertical stabilizer and the horizontal stabilizer. The movable surfaces include the rudder, the elevator, and one or more trim tabs
- A second type of empennage design does not require an elevator. Instead, it incorporates a one-piece horizontal stabilizer that pivots from a central hinge point. This type of design is called a *stabilator*, and is moved using the control stick, just as you would the elevator.



Empennage Structure

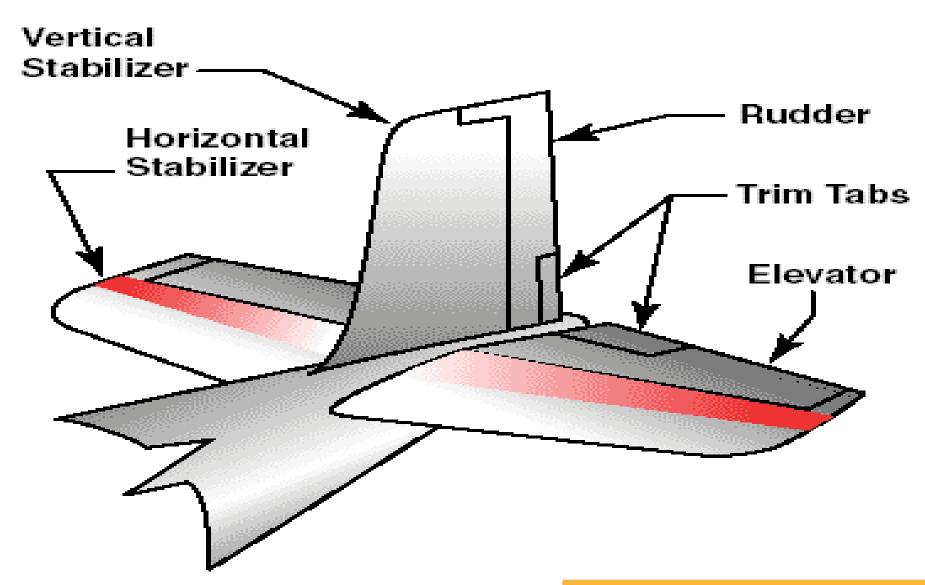


- The rudder is attached to the back of the vertical stabilizer.
- During flight, it is used to move the airplane's nose left and right.
- The rudder is used in combination with the ailerons for turns during flight.
- The elevator, which is attached to the back of the horizontal stabilizer, is used to move the nose of the airplane up and down during flight.
- Trim tabs are small, movable portions of the trailing edge of the control surface.
- These movable trim tabs, which are controlled from the cockpit, reduce control pressures.
- Trim tabs may be installed on the ailerons, the rudder, and/or the elevator.



Empennage of an airplane

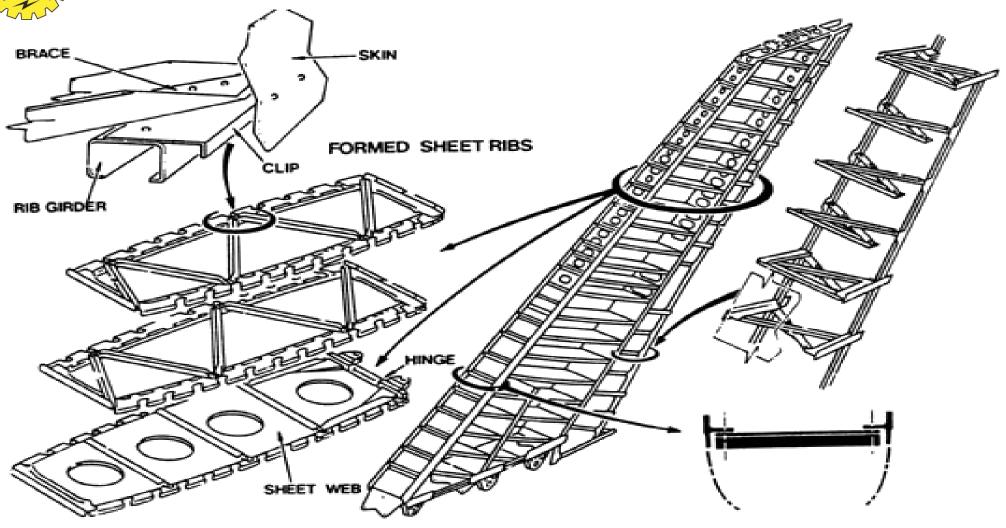






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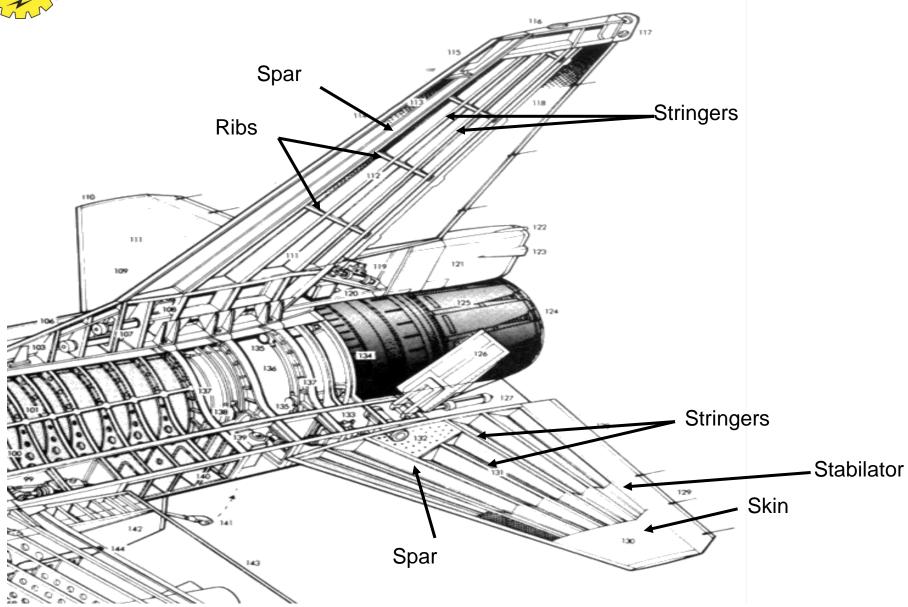






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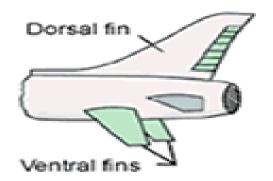


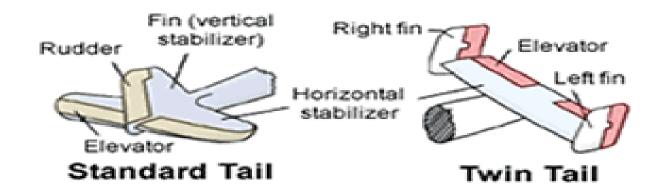


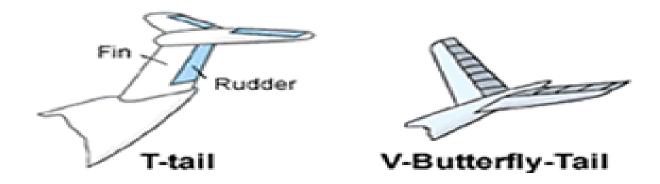


Aircraft tails Types





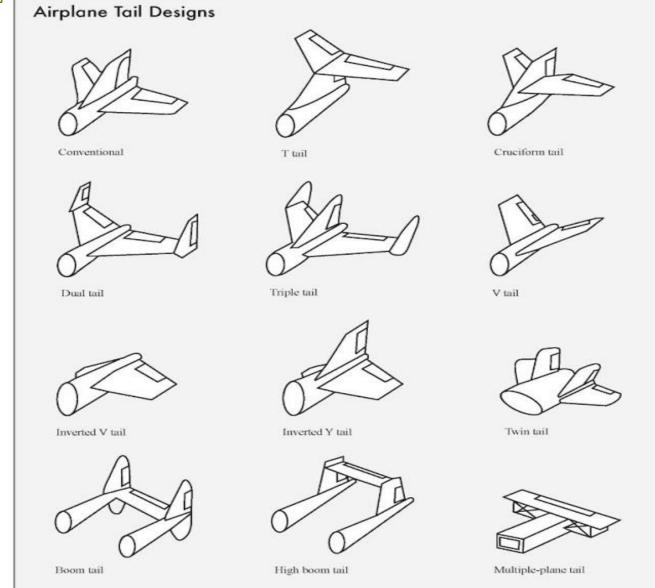






Aircraft tails Types







Aircraft tails Types





ANTONOV AN-148-100 (DMITRIY MOTTL / PD)

Standard/Conventional

T-tail



Twin tail



V-tail/ V-butterfly tail





