











Analysis of engineering aspects of hybrid aerial vehicle - ESTOLAS

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Concept of ESTOLAS



SEVENTH FRAMEWORK

HYBRID AIRCRAFT

Combination of airplane, helicopter, dirigible and hovercraft





List of Structural Features







HIGH-LIFTING AIRFOIL





Wing profile TSAGI-R-III-18% (ЦАГИ-Р-III-18%)







HIGH-LIFTING AIRFOIL







Aircraft wing (top view)

Smaller dimensions
Higher wing load
Higher speed for take-off and landing





SEVENTH FRAMEWORK





Tail section

2 vertical stabilizers + 2 rudders
Bigger horizontal stabilizer and elevator
Contra rotating control surface
More stabilization and control over the aircraft
Heavy and complicated construction













Jet flaps















Front and rear landing gears



- Increased performance at take-off and landing on a wide range of surfaces
- Non-retractable landing gear increases drag



SKI LANDING GEAR







Placement of landing gears

- Good placement if the aircraft is performing more like helicopter during take-off and landing
- Not effective for airplane performance













Placement of landing gears

Landing gear closer to CG = increased nose pitching up





SEVENTH FRAMEWORK





Central section

Increased lift during take-off and landing configurations
 Air stream supply to the air cushion and jet flaps
 Low efficiency - provided lift = only 14% of overall mass
 Low safety factor for passangers





SEVENTH FRAMEWORK





Inlet mechanism

Inlet control

- Increased effectivenes of central rotor during take-off and landig
 - Increased drag during take-off and landig









RING-SHAPED FUSELAGE FOR HELIUM



Fuselage for helium – volume: 6600 m3; lift: 6976 kg







AIR CUSHION







Air cushion

Landing on all surfaces
 Heavy construction
 High drag during take-off and landing



Conclusion











Performance during take-off and landing

Vehicle type	Provided lift
Airplane	~ 80 %
Heliciopter	~ 14 %
Dirigible	~ 6 %
Hovercraft	0 %

Aerodynamic data must be analysed deeper











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