#### **UPRT** in the Simulator

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### **Simulator Training**

- Simulator Capabilities
  - Controlled environment for UPRT "to proficiency" and generic skills development
  - Ability to create realistic type-specific scenarios
- Simulator Limitations
  - Validated Flight Envelope
  - Limited g-cues
  - Instructor ability to monitor control inputs

#### **Accelerated Stall Demonstration**

Aerodynamics and handling at FL150 and FL350







## Sim Fidelity Enhancements

- **Better** use of today's devices
- Enhanced feedback in today's sim's
- Improved simulation fidelity in extended envelope
  - aero model
  - pilot cueing (buffet, motion)





#### Sim Instructor Feedback Requirements

- Did you stay <u>reasonably</u> within the validated flight envelope?
- Did you overstress the airframe?
- Did you apply incorrect/inappropriate control inputs?
- Did you recover correctly?



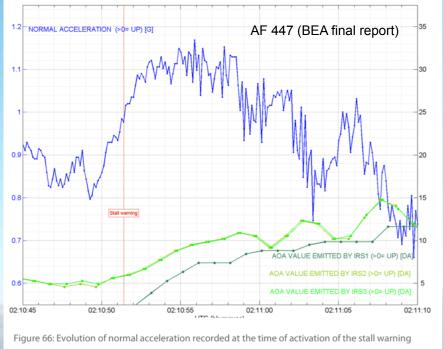
# **UPRT IOS Tool**





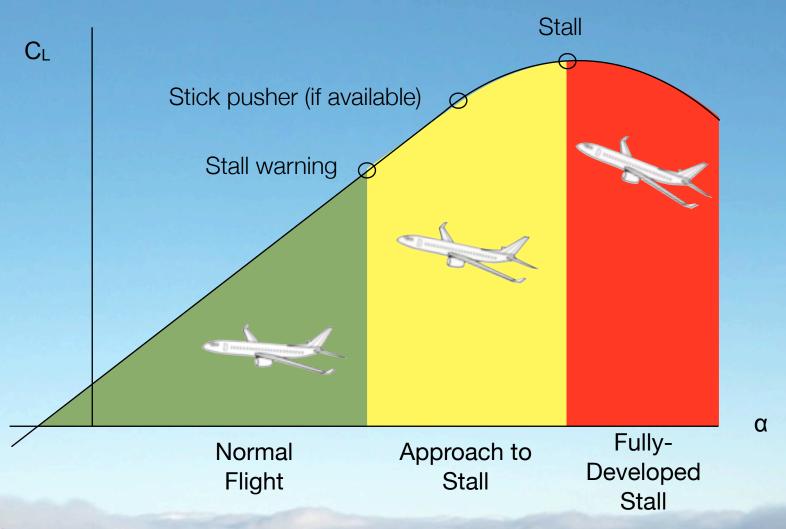
#### **Buffet**

- Critical for crews to understand buffet (causes, effects):
  - high-speed VMO/MMO buffet
  - stall onset/deterrent buffet
- Appreciate that buffet may not always be consistent
- Buffet <-> warnings
- Sim buffet tolerances





## **Stall Training**





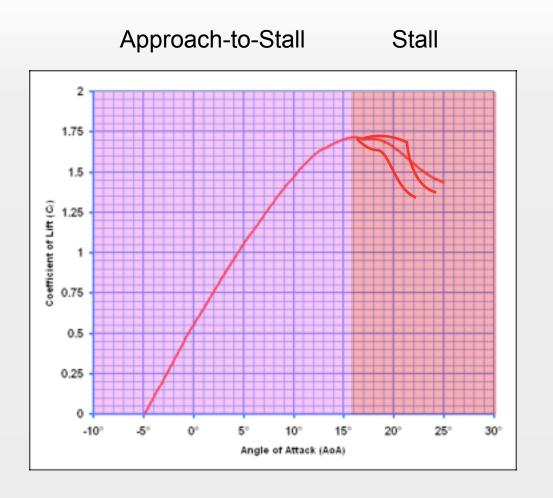


#### **Model Enhancements**

- A/C can have major non-linearities near and beyond stall break
- These can create distractions to the crew, as in real life
  - reduced stability
  - reduced control effectiveness
  - buffet
  - un-commanded roll-off
  - randomness
- US Law requires training to full stall



## Non-linearities in Stall Region





### Is there value to stall training in FSTD's?

#### Arguments against

- prevention alone is enough
- no two stalls are the same
- danger of negative training
- cannot create surprise in simulators

#### Arguments in favour

- goal: show potential changes in a/c behaviour near stall
- history: pilots continue to pull near the stall
- an instructor-led exercise can teach the single important element: **PUSH**
- one CAN create surprise in simulators
- objective is to manage unexpected events









## Recent FAA Experiment

- Conducted on 737NG FFS at FAA Oklahoma City
- Evaluate training benefits of three stall model types:
  - current model (matching flight test data to within a tolerance)
  - representative

flight-test validated

"No two stalls are the same"

- Models assessed in low, medium and high-altitude conditions
- Crews briefed on the sim, asked to apply OEM stall recovery template (see next slide)



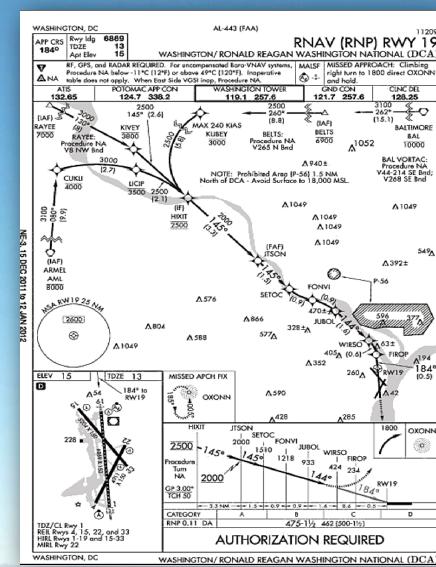
#### **Abbreviated Stall Recovery Template**

As agreed by airframe manufacturer

1 Autopilot and auto throttle	Disconnect
2 a) Nose down pitch controlApply until stall warning i	
b) Nose down pitch trimppiy until stall warning in	
3 Bank	
4 Thrust	
5 Speed brakes/Spoilers	Retract
6 Return to the desired flight path.	

#### **Simulator Familiarization**

- Each pilot told to fly this approach to Washington National Airport
- Good weather, except for possible thunderstorm at holding point
- Pilots expected a "diversion" (missed approach)



# Successful recovery



# **Problematic stall recovery**







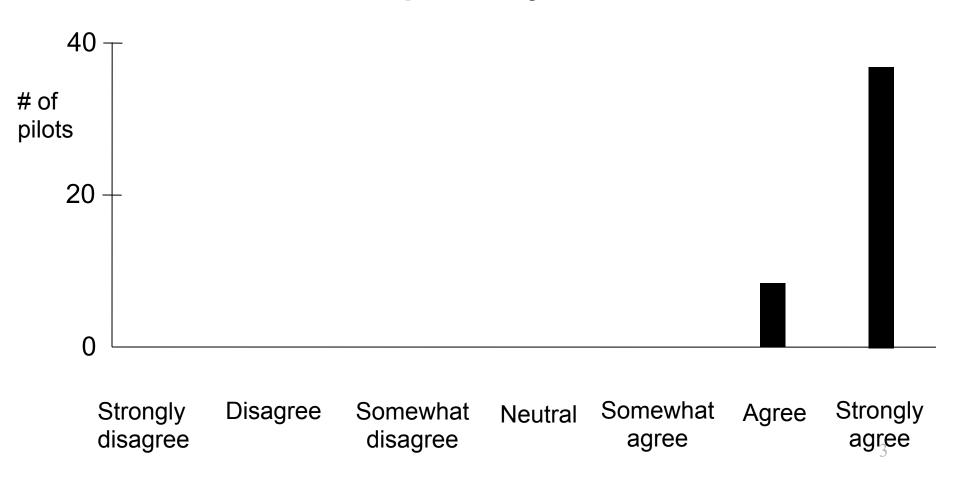


## Results

- Only 22% of pilots applied correct procedure
  - 10 out of 45 applied stall recovery procedure correctly when surprised
    - 19 out of 45 applied nose-down pitch until stall warning was eliminated
    - 20 out of 45 applied nose-down pitch before trying to control bank
    - 23 out of 45 stayed off the pedals ( < 1 inch)</li>
    - 34 out of 45 applied thrust as needed per template\*
- No one crashed in this challenging scenario

# **Questionnaire Results**

"I was surprised by that event"









#### Conclusion

- With proper training put into practice through a properly-qualified program, including
  - exposure to the prevention and recovery environment
  - integration of knowledge and skills
  - proper instruction
  - appreciation of psychophysical limits
- Through a GRADUATED IMPLEMENTATION, we can achieve the main learning objectives for LOC-I



### **Main Learning Objective**



# KEEP CALM IT'S ONLY AN UPSET

#### **African Proverb**

If we ignore reality, we will learn through accidents



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