

7.6 Const. alt. deceleration in gliding flight (ISA)

$$h = \text{Const}, T = 0 \quad (W = \text{Const}) \quad V_0, V_f \text{ known}$$

$$\dot{x} = V$$

$$\dot{V} = (g/W) (-D)$$

$$\text{For ISA, } D = \frac{W}{2E^*} \left(u^2 + \frac{1}{u^2} \right) \quad u = \frac{V}{V^*} \quad V^* = \text{Const.}$$

$$\dot{x} = V^* u$$

$$V^* \dot{u} = -(g/W) \frac{W}{2E^*} \left(u^2 + \frac{1}{u^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{dx}{du} = - \frac{2E^* V^{*2} u}{g \left(u^2 + \frac{1}{u^2} \right)} = - \frac{2E^* V^{*2}}{g} \frac{u^3}{1+u^4}$$

$$dx = - \frac{2E^* V^{*2}}{g} \frac{u^3 du}{1+u^4} = - \frac{2E^* V^{*2}}{g} \frac{1}{4} \frac{d u^4}{1+u^4}$$

$$x_f - x_0 = - \frac{E^* V^{*2}}{2g} \ln(1+u^4) \Big|_{u_0}^{u_f}$$

$$x_f - x_0 = \frac{E^* V^{*2}}{2g} \left[\ln(1+u_0^4) - \ln(1+u_f^4) \right]$$

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$$x_f - x_0 = \frac{E^* V^{*2}}{2g} \ln \frac{1+u_0^4}{1+u_f^4}$$