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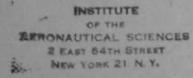
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HISTORY AND EXPERIENCES OF THE HB-162

Early in September 1944 it became evident that, with regard to the output of raw material factories, the manufacture of the Me-262 would be far behind the required number. The decisive factor was fuel production.

The Heinkel Corporation (Gunter) suggested the manufacture of a fighter with reduced equipment, provided with only one power plant and attaining nearly the same performances as the Me-262 which was fitted with two engines of the same type. Calculations proved this possible, reducing fuel consumption one-half and making possible the operation of twice the number of aircraft, an important advantage in the long run.

On 15 September 1944 the Heinkel Corporation was given an order.

Projected Frogram.

1 October 1944 - Wock-up inspection. 10 December 1944 - Ready for take-off (First airplane). January 1945 - Start of large quantity production. April 1945 - Production output of 1000 airplanes. Increased production up to 2000 per month.

Because of unused production capabilities, the BMW 003 power plant was proposed. Considering the very short time, structural parts of already existing airplanes (For example, the Me-109 landing gear) were used.

It was not possible to conduct wind tunnel tests, particularly in the DVL high speed tunnel, before the first flight. Eventual changes were to have been made on quantity production aircraft.

Flight Results.

The first test flight was made on 6 December 1944.

Flight Characteristics.

Very small rectilinear control forces, high maneuverability. Instability at high speeds corresponding to the angle of incidence. Stability corresponding in function to dynamic pressure was improved by the effect of the high-located thrust line.

High-speed tunnel tests (DVL) in January 1945 proved this result. Quite rectilinear moments only could be attained by a slight downward displacement of the wing or by drawing down the trailing edge of the landing flaps next to the fuselage. This latter was provided for quantity production because of its simplicity.

Moreover, the span of the control surfaces was increased by 10%. In order to keep control forces constant in spite of the decreasing effect due to acceleration when pulling out, the rearward tending weight of elevator operating rods was balanced. Within the load requirements for center of gravity position, stability of the airplane about the lateral axis with corresponding angle of incidence and dynamic pressure was obtained up to the highest flown speed of 960 km/h (N = 0.96) after the aforementioned changes.

Aileron forces were slightly increased by a small increase in rudder chord. By providing a spring in the controls the lateral control forces were increased and the rudder deflection reduced to half. There was some tendency to slip off on a wing when C_L was about 1,95. By fitting of a triangular outward rounded fillet (15 mm high by 35 cm long) on the leading edge next to the fuselage this difficulty was completely eliminated. (Long-cr fillet unfavor able.)

Among others the airplane was flown by six Air Force pilots who had flown trainers but not fighters and confirmed the easy landing characteristics of the 162. Experienced pilots judged the landing characteristics to be superior to those of the Me-109. Mr. Francke, Technical Director on the Heinkel Corporation, who has flown the 162 often, considered the wing area too small, but flight trials proved landing characteristics better than expected and the wing area sufficient. In my opinion correct power plant control and the elimination of idling thrust is of greater importance for good landing characteristics than a greater wing area.

The maneuverability of the Me-162 is by far greater than that of the Me 262. The damping of oscillations about the vertical axis was superior to all hitherto known airplane measurements in Germany. According to flight measurements on production airplanes the logarithmic decrement $\frac{T_{ij}}{t_{ij}} = 1.3$ at an indicated speed of 500 km/h at 2500 m, corresponding to a duration of oscillation of $T_{ij} = 2.5$ sec. and a decrement $\frac{1}{2} = 0.37$ times the value of $t_{ij} = 2.2$ sec. There is a normal coupling ratio of the amplitudes about longitudinal and vertical axis compared with other planes, the average value of $\frac{1}{4\pi}$ being 1.3.

Might Performances.

High speed tunnel (DVL) measurements on production type airplanes gave a CD = 0.198 at small C, values and a Mach Number of about 0.7. The corresponding value obtained by calculations was 0.21 which contained the additional ridder and flap drag that the model did not involve, The critical Mach Number of 0.75 on which calculations were based as well as the computed increase of drag above this value were sufficiently verified by the measurements.

Further reduction of drag on the order of about 8% could be attained according to tunnel tests by the improvement of wing to fuselage transition. Because of the difficulties expected by the application of such changes on production airplanes, this improvement was provisionally rejected.

According to wind tunnel measurements and assuming the same power plant and flight duration, the same performances as the Me-262 should be attained.

Although there had been considerable improvements made in the power plant since the trial installation under the fuselage of the He-219 twin engined night fighter in the summer of 1944, the lack of automatic nozzle needle control resulted in high thrust losses at high speeds as compared to needle control resulted in high thrust losses at high speeds as compared to needle control resulted in high thrust losses amounted to about 1/3 with a corresponding inadmissible speed loss of about 1/6. However, some of the values reached in flight corresponded to the calculated speeds. The automatic needle control, indispensable to the BMW 003, was completed in the spring of 1945, but installation was not made before occupation. It must be emphasized that when flying without automatic nozzle control, too small exits cause excessive temperatures which lead to a rapid destruction of the power plant.

In test flights, flight characteristics are more important than performances. It is advisable to have Mr. Bader test fly the three airplanes still available in the neighborhood of Landsberg. Mr. Bader can easily ascertain whether all changes have been made.

Status of Production and Projected Developments.

The start of quantity production was delayed from 1-2 months, more by the delay of production jigs than by structural changes. In May the first delivery of a large number of aircraft was to be made. In April 100 airplanes had been completed and parts for about 800 were ready for assembly. According to the delivery program the He-162 was the only airplane to be manufactured along with the Me-262.

Two He-162 airplanes equipped with the automatically controlled Jumo 004 power plant were destroyed by bombing at Vienna before having flown. New airplanes fitted with Jumo 004 power plants were not completed before the end of the war.

For the installation of the HeS 11 power plant a new wing and probably V tail, both with sweepback, were contemplated. This type of tail unit reaches higher critical speeds. There would have been sufficient time for wind tunnel tests since aircraft production changes were not anticipated before the beginning of 1946.

A new model with a 4.8 m span and two wing versions was about to be built for testing stalling conditions and to obtain essential data concerning lateral stability by test in the large Braunschweig wind tunnel. One wing was to have a 25° sweep-forward and the other a 35° sweep-back. If necessary, a third wing was to be built and the best model subjected to DVL high speed tests.

In order to reduce the large rolling moment caused by lateral rudder deflection, split control surfaces with a counter effect were proposed. Losses in lateral control effectiveness are of minor importance, the rudder

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efficiency being by far sufficient in spite of reduced maximum deflection to only 1220. Flight tests of the 162 with straight wing and V tail were contemplated.

All trials were considered very urgent. The completion of drawings had been postponed in order that test results could be incorporated.

Landsberg, 6 July 1945.

APPENDAGE CONCERNING FLIGHT PERFORMANCES

It seems advisable to make some remarks concerning the BMW 003 power plant with regard to flight performances and its state of development.

The full-throttle values of thrust indicated by the BMW Co. with regard to the He-162 project assumed the thermal stress (Combustion chamber temperto the He-162 project assumed the thermal stress (Combustion chamber temperto the He-162 project assumed the thermal stress be remissible value at all ature) of the power plant to remain at the highest permissible value at all ature) of the power plant this the nozzle has to be varied accordneights and speeds. To accomplish this the nozzle has to be varied accordneights and speeds. To accomplish this the nozzle has to be varied accordneights and speeds of being manufactured in Thuringia and was to be incorporated in the process of being manufactured in Thuringia and was to be incorporated in the He-162 in the summer of 1945. In order to save the delicate power plant from excessive thermal stresses and to avoid hand regulation near the difficult excessive thermal stresses and to avoid hand regulation near the difficult distinct values, a large nozzle section was determined for normal flight conditions (Control position S, exit area = 1020 cm²). However, this section resulted in high speed losses on the order of 16 to 20 % as compared to values obtained with best setting.

These results are shown in the attached graphs. The first graph takes the case where the height = 0 m with measurements of different speeds, exit sections and combustion chamber temperatures. It follows from this graph that at the highest permissible temperature of 750°C the thrust values warranted by BMW are attained with sufficient accuracy. The same graph reveals that with constant exit sections great thrust losses will occur at increased speeds as compared to best values. In the case of the usual position of the needle (S control setting area = 1020 cm², normal operating conditions) the loss amounts to 36 % at a speed of 800 km/h.

In the second graph are speed curves with ideal needle control and at constant nozzle area control positions F, S and H. At an altitude of 1 km and thrust position F two test flights were made in the month of April which established a verifying point.

Take-off and Landing. In order to verify take-off and landing runs to be within RLM (German Air Ministry) requirements, some test take-off and landing runs were made.

A take-off run of 750 m at a weight of 2.55 T satisfied requirements. Maximum power-plant speed was attained with locked wheels before starting the run. When maximum power-plant speed was attained as part of the run, run distance increased considerably.

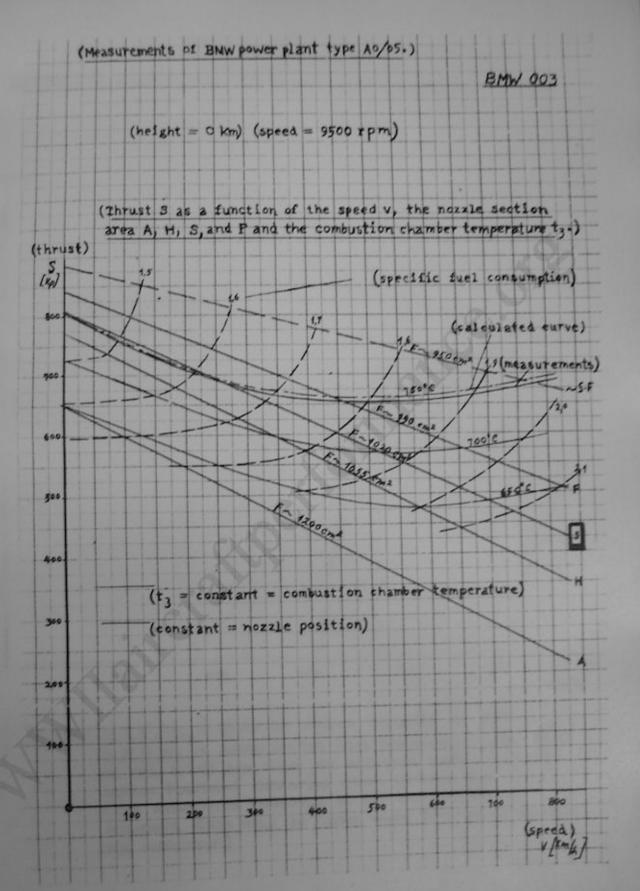
Maximum lift coefficient measurements during landing runs reached values of 1.9 to 1.95, but was generally 1.6. The added leading-edge strip (to retard stalling tendencies) caused a CI reduction of about 0.1 to 0.2 according to wind-tunnel data, hence a final CI max of 1.7. CI mean will not decrease greatly when the possibility of landing with lift values nearer CL max is taken into consideration, due to improved stall characteristics. Hence,

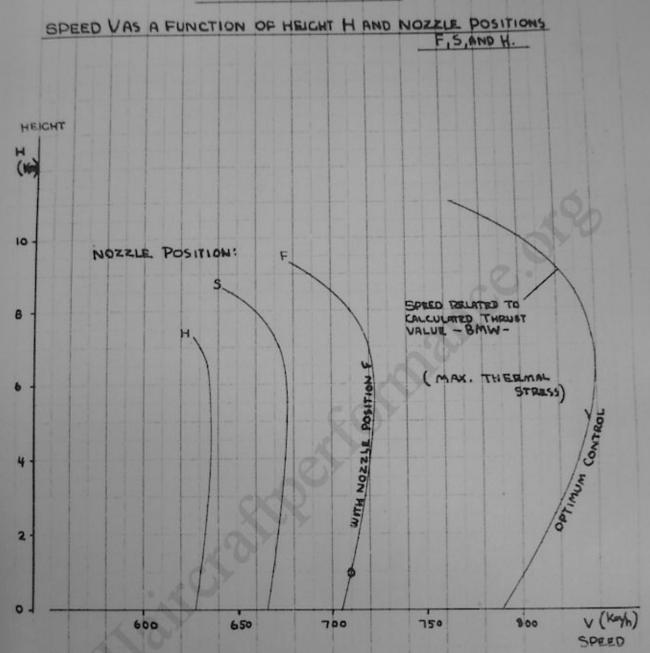
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Taxing Characteristics. Before testing there was none disagreement as to whether the airplane would have sufficient ground-maneuverability. Hunway tests showed that with strong braking and power plant operation all requirements concerning curve radii for taxing and turning and even figure 8s on the conventional runway were met.

Landsberg, 17 July 1945

Hohbach.





REMARK: H = 0 Km is based on values measured by BMW.

H > 0 km is based on the same percentage thrust losses

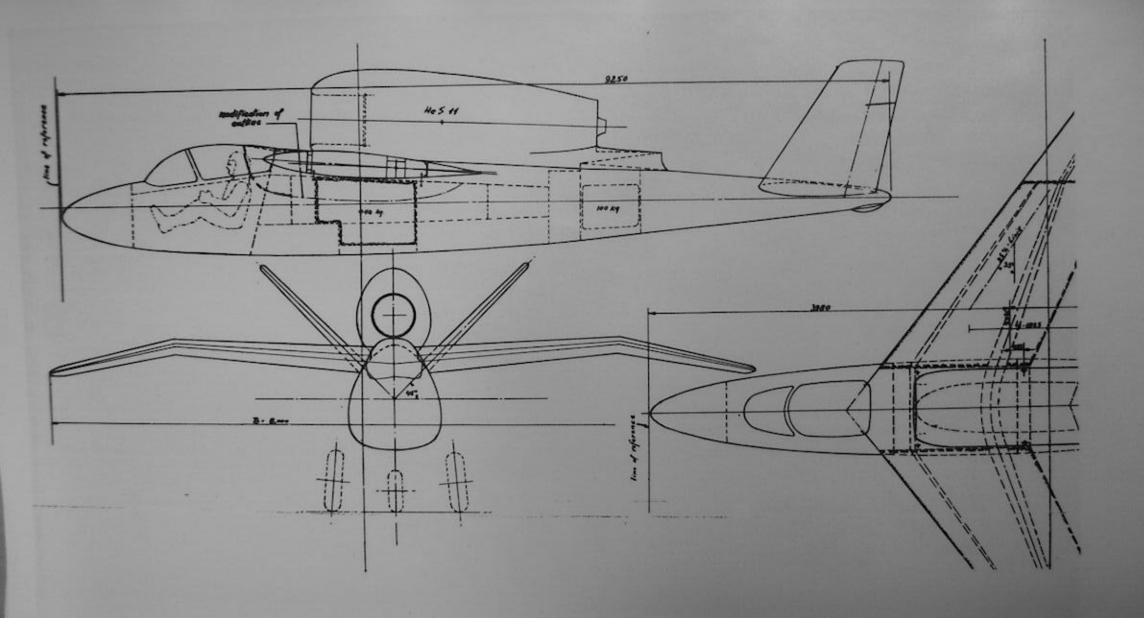
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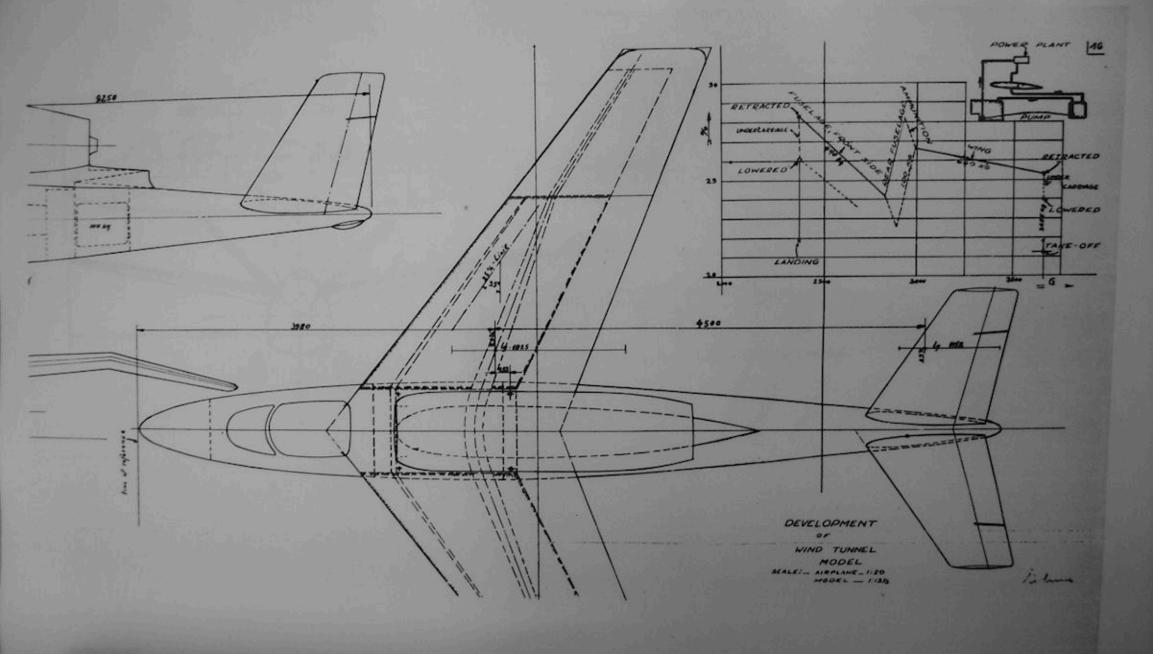
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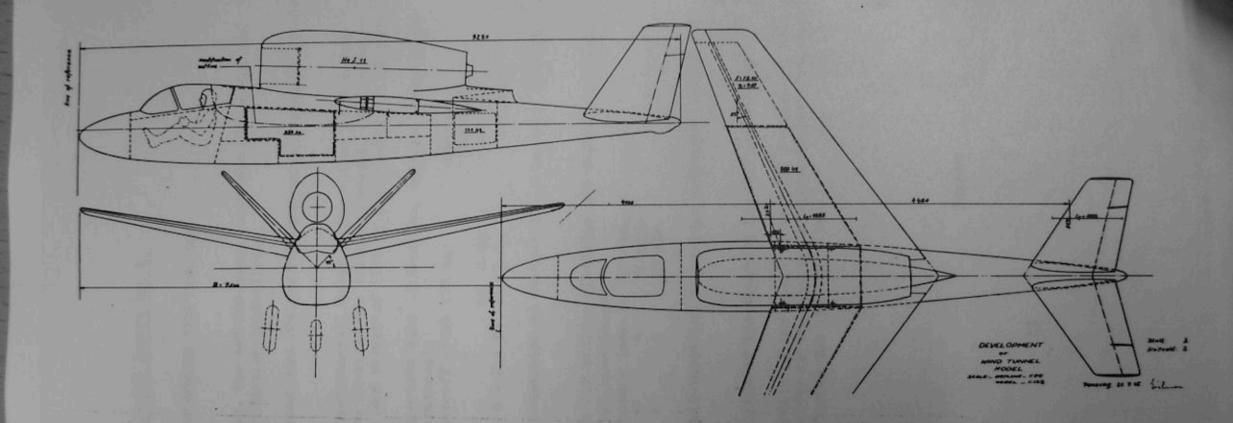
(THE ASSUMPTION PROBABLY IS TOO UNFAVOURABLE;

ACCURATE DATA WILL BE GIVEN WHEN BMW MEASUREMENTS

ARE AVAILABLE.)







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PERFORMANCES "ITH JUMO 004

As previously mentioned, the BMW 003 power plant was chosen for the He-162 because of unused production capabilities.

Nevertheless the advanced Jumo 004 was intended to be installed in the He-162.

Power plant data and performances, based on the output of Jumo 004 (1000 kg static thrust), are given in the following graphs. This power plant is said to have a maximum thrust of 1150 kg permissible for 30 sec.

- 1. Sheet with the most important data (dimensions, weights, power plant characteristics, performances):

 gross weight during take-off (fuel 675 kg)

 maximum speed

 climb

 at 0 km

 30 m/sec.

 (based on gross weight G = 2.4 T) at 11 km

 5 m/sec.
- Values of thrust and consumption at various altitudes as a function of the speed.
- 3-5. Range, speed, endurance for various altitudes and throttle positions with regard to three fuel quantities:
 - a) 865 kg fuel = endurance (max.) 90 min. b) 675 kg " = " " 70 min.
 - c) 475 kg " = " " 50 min.
- 6-7. Range and endurance (full-throttle) at various altitudes. Climb distances, rate of climb.
- 8. Rate of climb as a function of the altitude for various weights.
- 9. Rate of climb as a function of the speed at various altitudes. This graph shows the possibility of increasing considerably the speed during climb by moderately reducing the rate of climb.

Landsberg, 17 July 1945.

Hohbach.

Fighter He-162

power plant with supplementary injection.

Dimensions: wing area (without sweep-back span aspect ratio		m ²	7	.16 .20 .65
Power plant: one BMW type 004 D/ (performances from January, I	E 945)		Normal thrust	
thrust power thrust at v = 800 km/h at hei specific consumption	ght = 11 km	kg kg kg/kg.h	1000 315 1.89	1150 395 2.34
Weights: armament (2 fixed forward fir ammunition (50 shells for each arm or ed parts equipment (without armament a parts)	n gun)	kg kg kg kg	0	57 58 57 95
crew		kg	1	00
power plant with tanks and co	military load structure (61 kg trimming ballast) power plant with tanks and cowlings fuel (except starting fuel)		467 983 800 675	
gross weight	77	kg kg	2925	
fuel for warming-up and take-off run starting fuel		kg kg	80 22	
gross weight during take-off	run	kg	30)27
Performances (calculated): maximum speed (medium gross weight 2.4 T)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	km/h km/h km/h	885 889 823	960 925 865
duration of flight (full throttle, calculated)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	min min min	22 38 59	20 36 57
range (full throttle, calculated)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	km km km	320 530 750	300 505 720
climb (medium gross weight 2.4 T)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	m/s m/s m/s	30.3 15.7 4.9	42.7 25.3 10.7
take-off run without assisted	take-off	m	760	660
				ible

Assumption is made that during one flight the permissible maximum thrust for 30 sec. will be used 6 times.

Fighter He-162 A-1

power plant with supplementary injection

Dimensions: wing area (without sweep-back) span aspect ratio		m ²	1	1.16 7.20 4.65
Power plant: one BMW type 003 E thrust power		kg	Normal thrust	tnrust 30 sec. +) 920
thrust at v = 800 km/h at height specific consumption	t - II km	kg/kg.h	265	332 1.96
Weights: armament (2 fixed forward-firing ammunition (50 shells for each arm or ed parts equipment (without armament and parts) crew	gun)	kg kg kg kg		157 58 57 95 100
military load structure (61 kg trimming balls power plant with tanks and cow fuel (except starting fuel)	ast) ling	kg kg kg kg		467 983 680 675
gross weight fuel for warming-up and take-one starting fuel		kg kg kg		80 80 22 2907
Performances (calculated): maximum speed (medium gross we 2.45 T)		km/h	790 838 765	890 905 845
duration of flight (full throt (calculated)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	min	30 48 83	28 * 46 81
range (full throttle) (calculated)	at 0 km at 6 km at 11 km	km	390 620 975	370 ** 595 945

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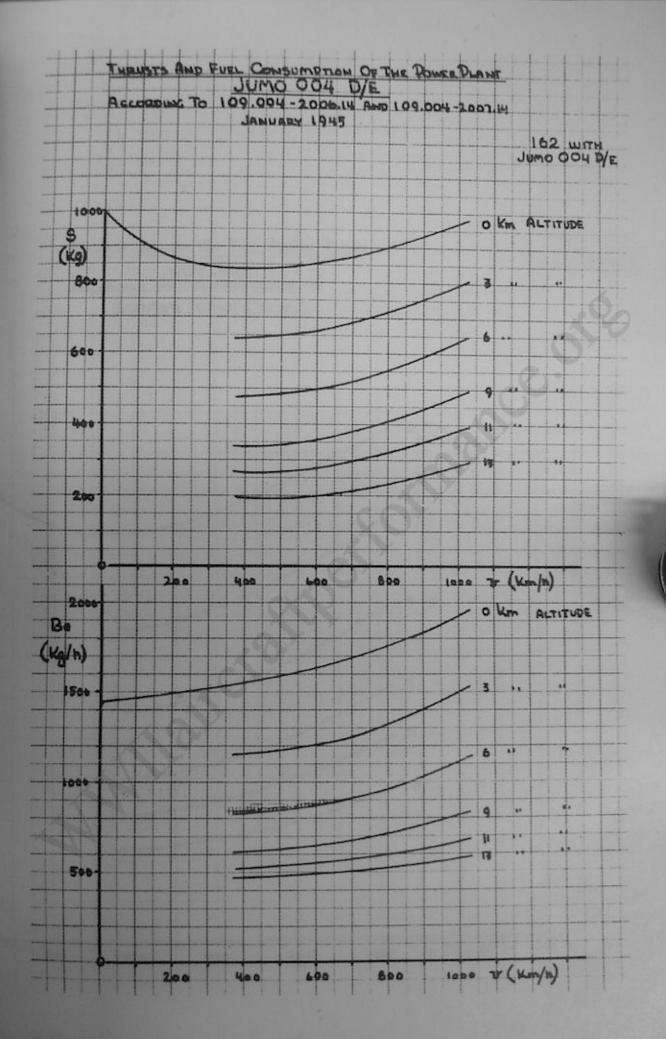
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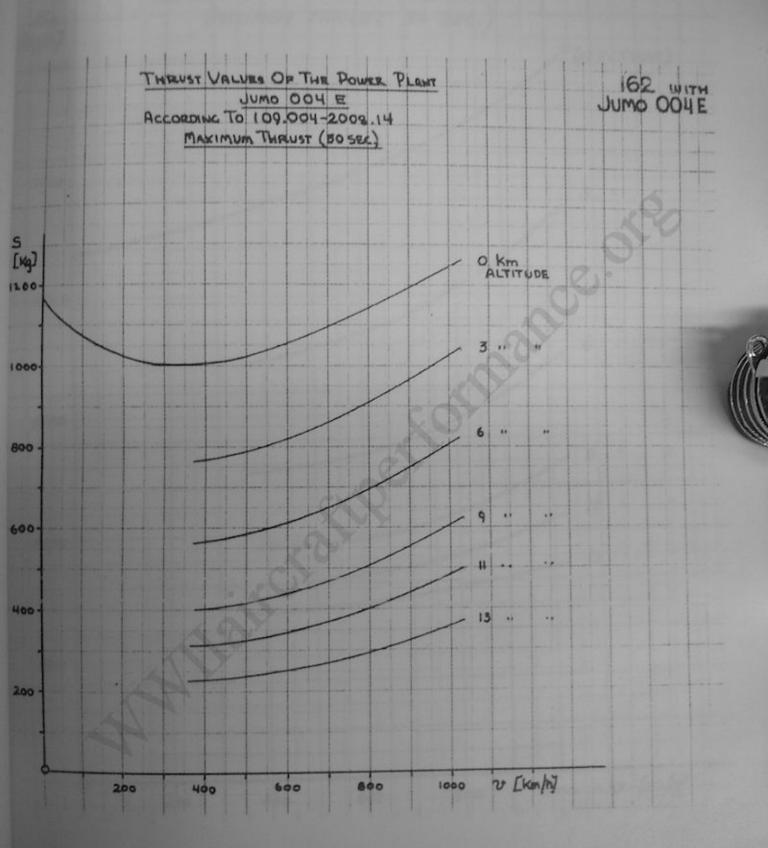
power plant with supplementary injection. (continued)

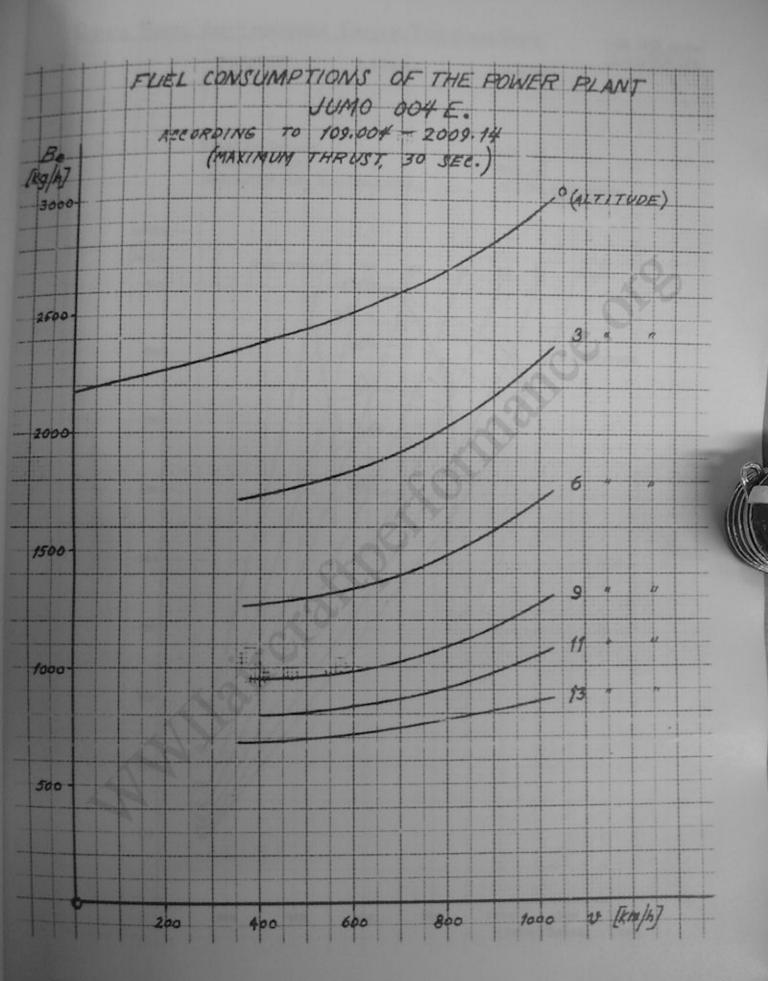
climb (medium gross weight 2.45 T)	at at	0	km km	m/s m/s	19.2	26.5
				m/s	1.6	5.8

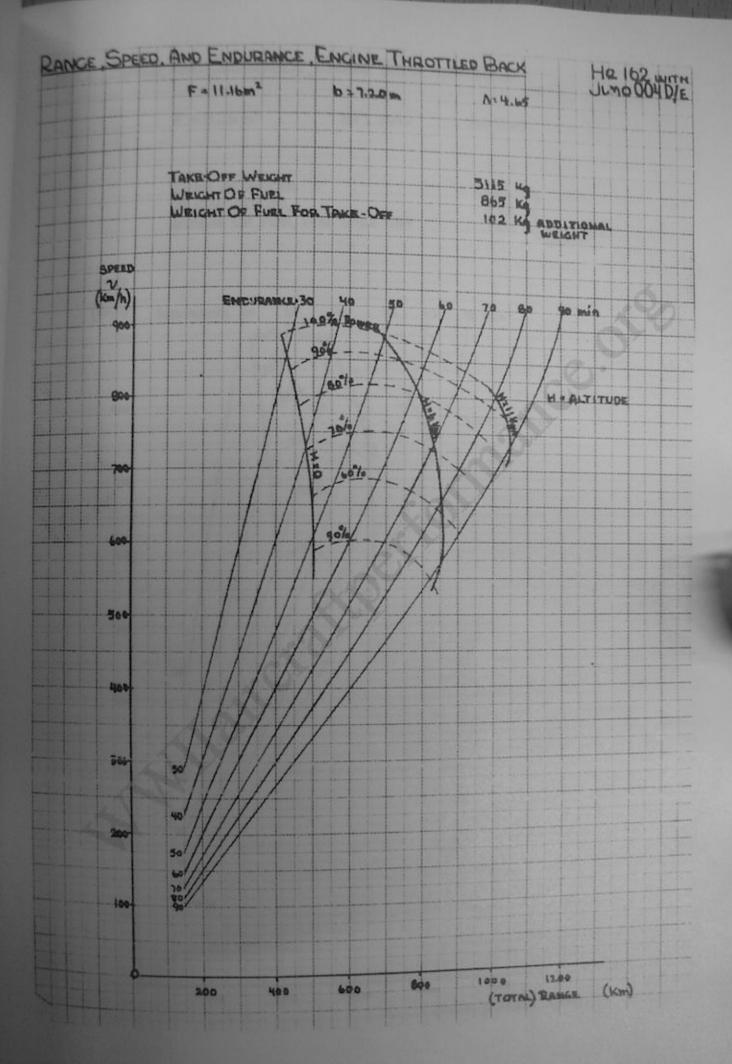
- * Assumption is made that during one flight the permissible maximum thrust for 30 seconds will be used 6 times.
- ** Changes in thrust and consumption corresponding to data for Jumo 004 D/E, issued by the Junkers Aviation Corp., January 45.

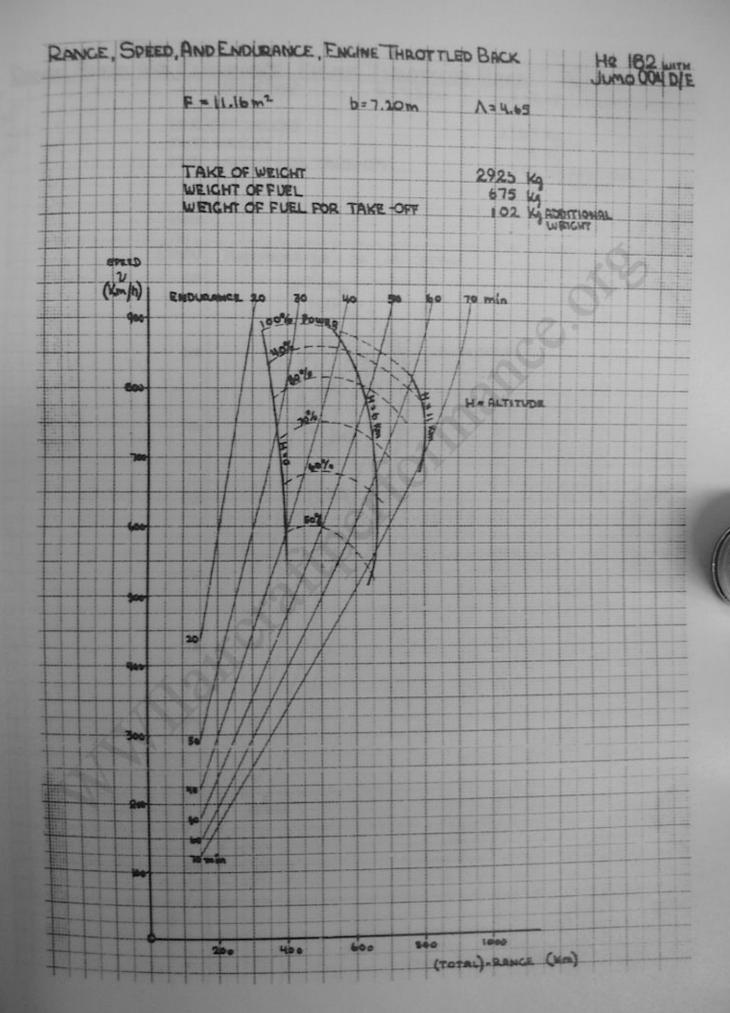
Vienna, March 15th 1945.

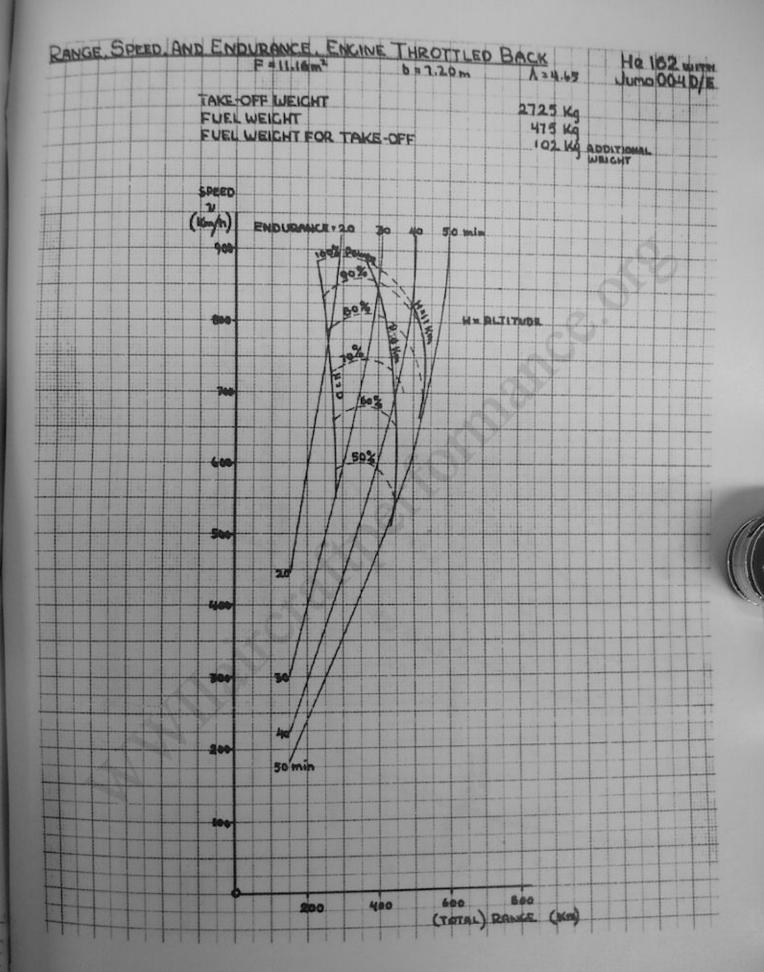


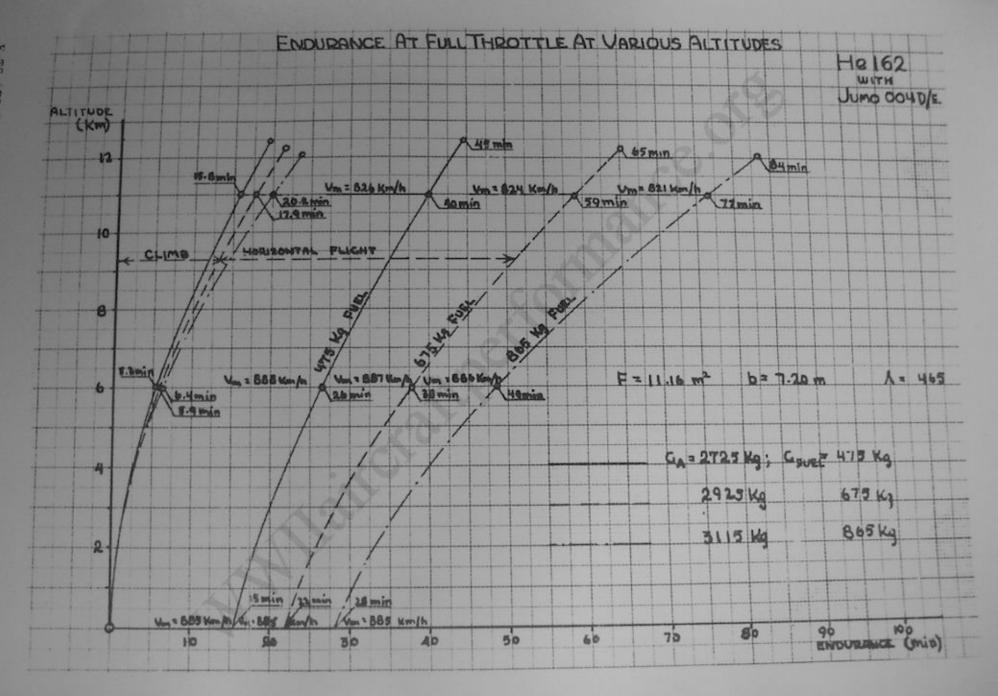












BLTITUDE (mm)

> 184 Km IBBKm

100

RANCE (FULL THROTTLE) AT VARIOUS ALTITUDES

A SHO KM

He 162 WITH Juno 004/DE

1980 Km

0 830 Km



700

640

