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Errata: "Vortex Model for Magnus Forces at Low Speeds, Spins, and Angles"

Eugene E. Covert and D. Scott Eberhardt Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. [AIAAJ, 20, pp. 235-242 (1982)]

W E would like to call the readers' attention to an error in the label of the abscissa of Fig. 7b (p. 240). The title of this figure is correct. The abscissa should be labeled "Angle of Attack, α (degrees)," not reduced spin. We are indebted to Dr. Charles H. Murphy of BRL, who kindly called our attention to the error.

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Errata: "Optimizing Distributed Structures for Maximum Flutter Load"

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A SIGN inversion crept into our paper and was overlooked at proofreading. Equation (8) should read, of course,

$$\delta\omega_{\rm fl} = (E_I\Delta_R - E_R\Delta_I)/(E_RF_R + E_IF_I)$$

(minus sign in the numerator). Thanks to Prof. Pauli Pedersen, of the Technical University of Denmark, for pointing out the misprint to us.

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