

# Green Freighter

Reference Aircraft Hydrogen

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# Introduction - Green Freighter -

**“The Green Freighter is seen as a vector to integrate innovative or revolutionary solutions coming from other concepts: advanced propeller engines, alternative fuels, one engine operations...**

**It is also the vector selected in ProGreen to challenge the certification regulation: no pilot operations, one engine aircraft...”**

**The purpose is to consider long term solutions for an ultra-green aircraft in terms of noise and emissions. The freighter was identified as an appropriate vector because:**

- It is potentially more constrained for noise and emissions as it operates generally when passenger aircraft are less present (night operations)**
- It is potentially less constrained in terms of specifications for comfort and cruise speed. It gives the opportunity to look at innovative engine integration and energy.”**

# Assumed Top Level Aircraft Requirements

<i>Aircraft</i>		<b>Green Freighter</b>	<b>comment</b>
<i>Range</i>	<i>[nm]</i>	1200	<i>for express carrier hubs slivering (UPS, FedEx, DHL)</i>
<i>Cargo payload</i>	<i>[t]</i>	8	
<i>Design Mach Number</i>	<i>[-]</i>	0.53	<i>As Dash 8 (prop.)</i>
<i>Vmo/Mmo</i>	<i>[kt/-]</i>	250/ 0.55	<i>As ATR</i>
<i>Initial Cruise Altitude Capability</i>	<i>[ft]</i>	$\geq 17000$	<i>TO @MTOW, ISA+10</i>
<i>Time To Climb to 17000ft</i>	<i>[min]</i>	$\leq 10$	<i>ATR</i>
<i>ACN (Flexible B)</i>	<i>[-]</i>	$\leq 13$	<i>ATR</i>
<i>Take-Off Field Length (MTOW, SL, ISA+15°C)</i>	<i>[ft]</i>	$\leq 4000$	<i>ATR</i>
<i>Vapp (MLW, SL, ISA)</i>	<i>[kt]</i>	$\leq 135$	
<i>Typical turn around time</i>	<i>[min]</i>	45	<i>As NSR</i>
<i>Cabin Altitude</i>	<i>[ft]</i>	-	<i>(un-pressurized fuselage)</i>

# Why? Assumed Top Level Aircraft Requirements

- The AC is just a platform for study purposes: no cockpit, alternative fuels...
- It can be every AC size
- Why are we working with a small cargo AC
- Hydrogene should be an alternative fuel
- It has an volume (drag) penalty
- The volume penalty is less
  - for small distances like 1200nm
- (to validate this the report is done for an LH2 and an kerosine version)
- waste water from hydrogene burning is harmful for the atmosphere in high altitude → low cruise altitudes
- enabling operation of propeller engines leads to lower altitudes with less cruise speed
- un-pressurized fuselage is beneficial for unconventional configurations
  - like VELA
- Low noise requirement leads to various possible studies for the universities
  - but is not included in the ref. AC definition

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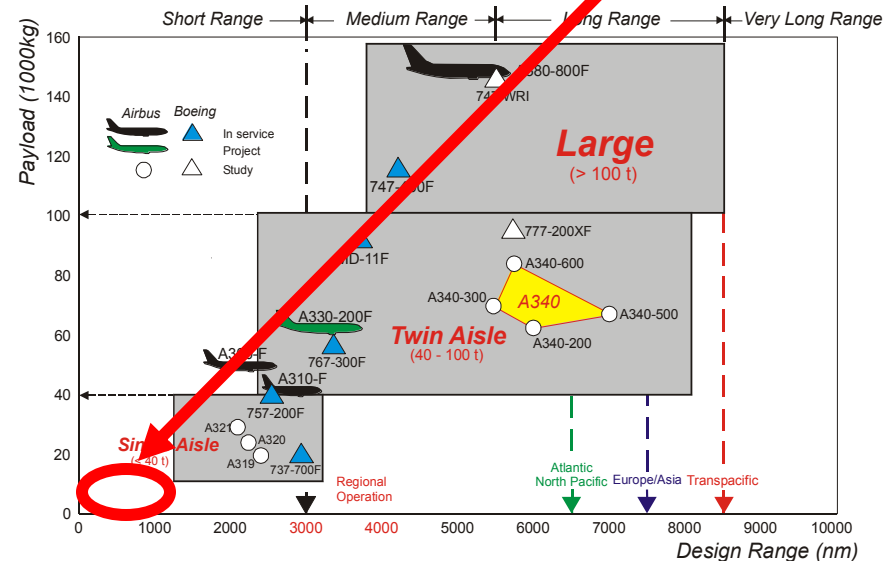
- Range: flexible regional feeders for bigger cargo AC leads to approx. 1200nm
- Payload: starting point for ref. AC is ATR 72 freighter with approx. 8 t cargo
- Mach number:
  - ... less constrained in term of specifications for comfort and cruise speed. It gives the opportunity to look at innovative engine integration and energy.”
- Next Points: more or less driven by ATR restrictions

**ATR Full Freighter**  
**Market Opportunity**

ATR strategy towards cargo market is driven by specific market conditions:

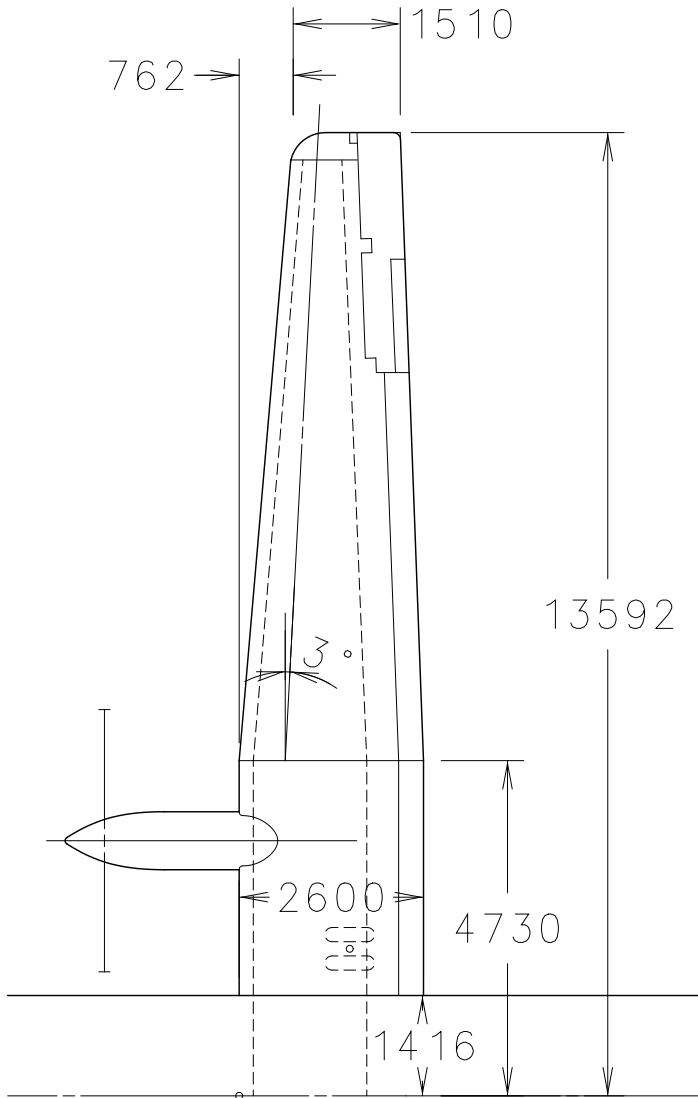
- Global cargo market growth approaching 6% per year
- Express parcels fastest growing segment, boosted by E-commerce: > 20% yearly growth
- Increasing demand for modules of ATR size as feeders for large integrators (FedEx, UPS, DHL...)
- Ageing cargo fleet in this category
- Excellent ATR characteristics allowing LD3 containers and 88" width pallet accommodation with Large Cargo Door
- Growing availability of ATR a/c on the 2<sup>nd</sup> hand market at prices consistent with cargo market requirements

**ATR strategy is to promote the ATR platform as the next generation standard for regional cargo feeders.**





# Wing arrangement

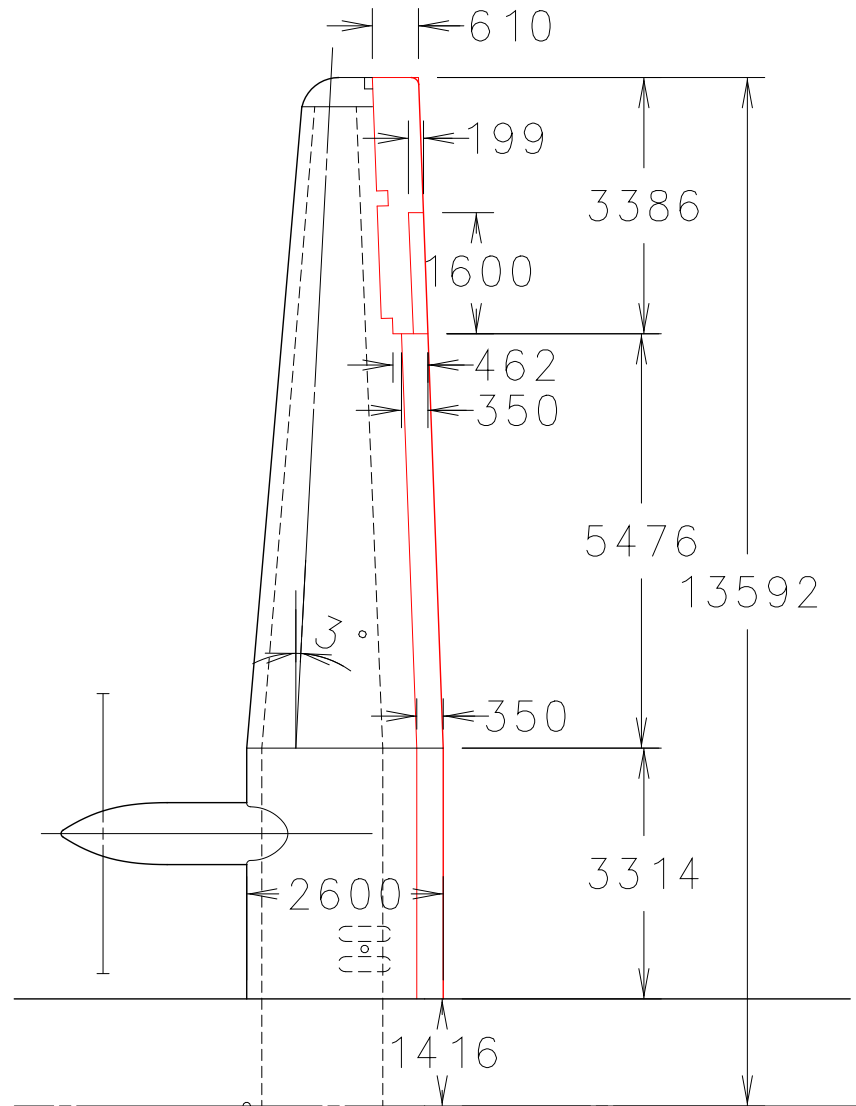


Thickness to chord ratios	
Eta	t/ c [%]
0.10	17.80
0.14	17.19
0.18	16.46
0.23	15.62
0.27	14.92
0.35	14.04
0.35	14.04
0.39	13.92
0.42	13.76
0.46	13.83
0.54	13.63
0.56	13.58
0.59	13.76
0.62	13.56
0.65	13.61
0.69	13.59
0.73	13.48
0.77	13.51
0.81	13.60
0.85	13.47
0.88	13.45
0.92	13.43
0.96	13.28
1.00	13.44

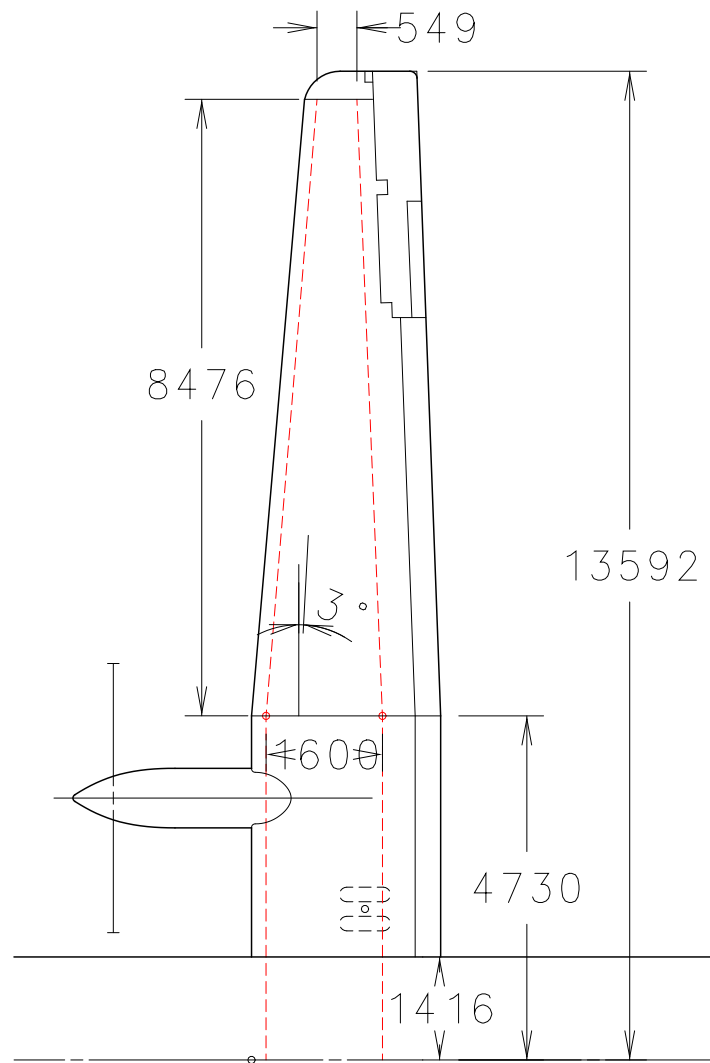
Wing main data		
wing reference area	61	m <sup>2</sup>
aerodynamic mean chord	2.3	m
span	27.05	m
aspect ratio	11.99	-
taper ratio (tip / root)	0.62	-
root chord	2.57	m
tip chord	1.59	m
sweep angle (25%)	2.3	deg
leading edge sweep	4.9	deg
trailing edge sweep	2.1	deg
dihedral upper surface	2.5	deg



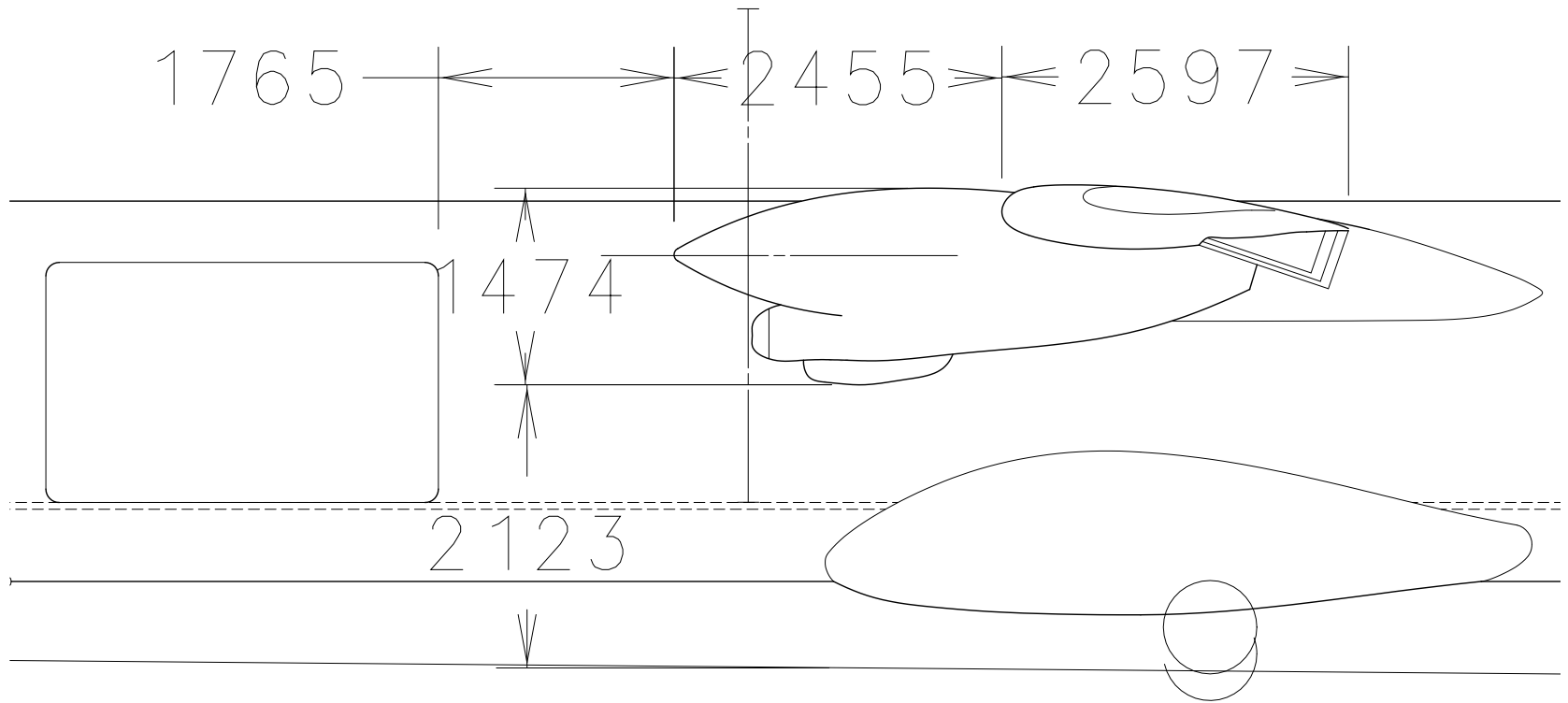
# Wing movables arrangement



# Wing structural arrangement

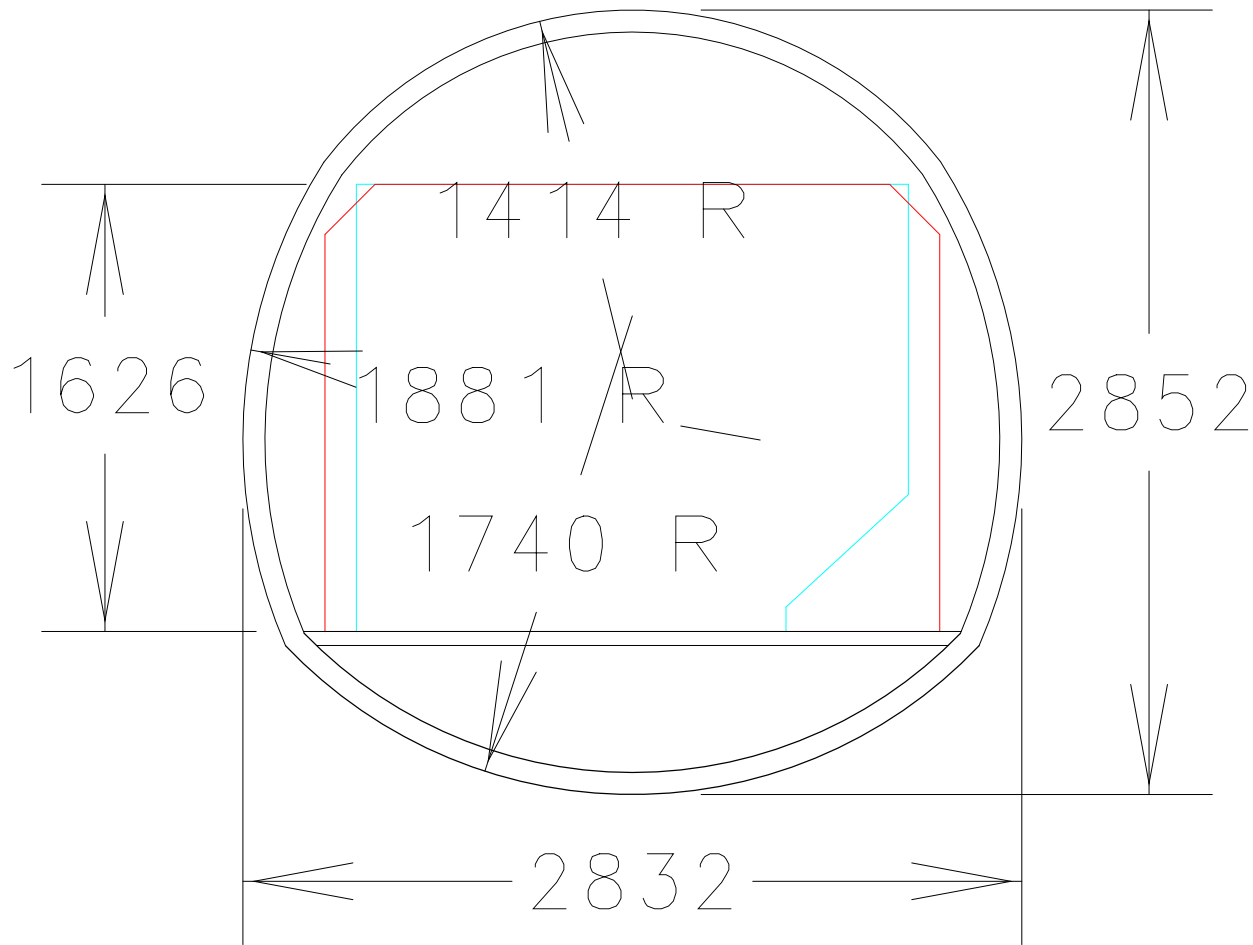


# Engine integration



Engine: PW 127

# Fuselage cross section



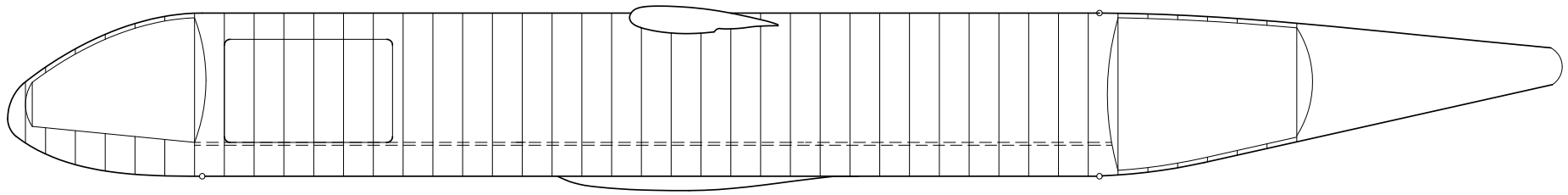
Perimeter 9.1 m

Cross Section Area

outer 6.52 m<sup>2</sup>

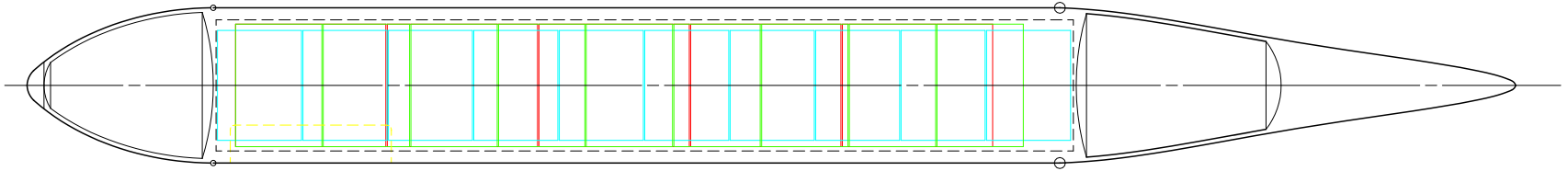
inner 5.81 m<sup>2</sup>

# Fuselage arrangement



20.5" frame pitch

# Cargo arrangement



pallet: 88" x 108" x H64"

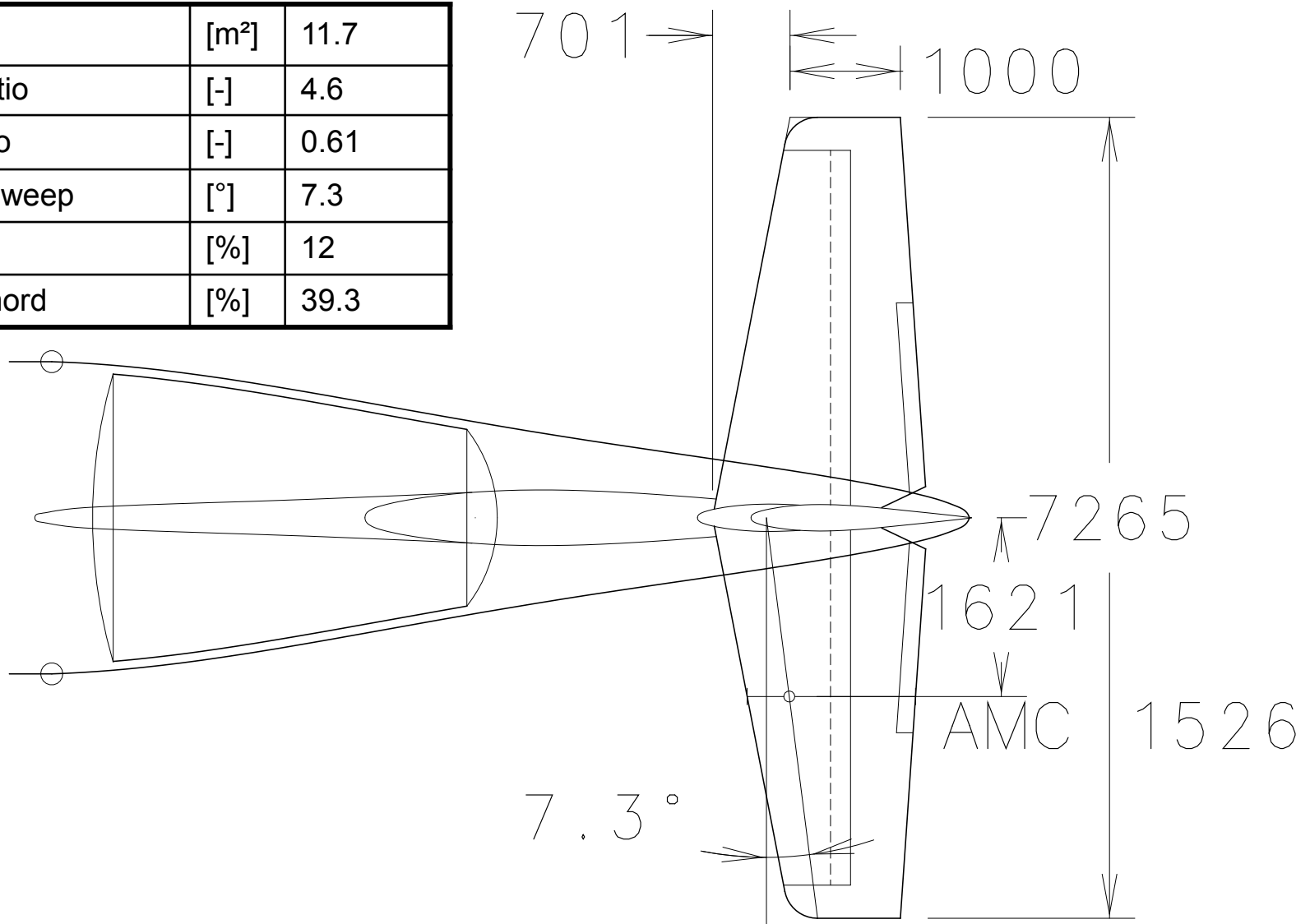
pallet: 88" x 62" x H64"

LD3

Cargo options: - 5x pallet (88" x 108" x 64")  
- 10x LD3  
- 9x pallet (88" x 62" x 64")

# Horizontal tailplane

Area	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	11.7
Aspect Ratio	[-]	4.6
Taper Ratio	[-]	0.61
¼ Chord Sweep	[°]	7.3
T/C Ratio	[%]	12
Rudder Chord	[%]	39.3



# Fin & rudder

Area	[m <sup>2</sup> ]	12.5
Aspect Ratio	[-]	1.6
Taper Ratio	[-]	0.6
¼ Chord Sweep	[°]	28.5
T/C Ratio	[%]	12/15/12
Rudder Chord	[%]	44.5

