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From time to time, *Technical Soaring* will reprint significant papers from the past. The final four papers are such “classics”. These papers are still relevant, but may not have been seen by some of our newer readers, and are worth revisiting by those who enjoyed them originally. Some have become hard to find, so we are glad to make them available again.

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