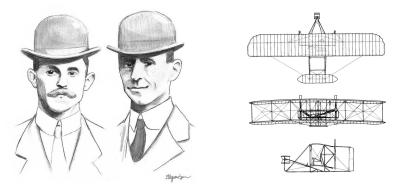
Insights from Flight Control

1905: Orville and Wilbur Wright made the first successful experiment with manned flight.



Their main insight was that the airplane itself had to be inherently unstable, which would give the pilot more control and render the overall flying system (pilot and machine) stable. The first autopilot was developed by Sperry Corp. in 1912.