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Limit Cycle Oscillation is a type of aircraft wing structural vibration caused by the non-linearity of the system. The objective of this thesis is to provide a numerical study of this aeroelastic behavior. A CFD solver is used to simulate airfoils displaying such an aeroelastic behavior under certain airflow conditions. Two types of airfoils are used for this numerical study, including the NACA64a010 airfoil, and the supercritical NLR 7301 airfoil. The CFD simulation of limit cycle oscillation (LCO) can be obtained by using published flow and structural parameters. Final results from the CFD solver capture LCO, as well as flutter, behaviors for both wings. These CFD results can be obtained by using two different solution schemes, including the Roe and Zha scheme. The pressure coefficient and skin friction coefficient distributions are computed using the CFD results for LCO and flutter simulations of these two airfoils, and they provide a physical understanding of these aeroelastic behaviors.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

Modern aeroelasticity is a multidisciplinary science of the study of flow behaviors around structures [1]. When computers were not yet available to assist in the computational efforts to solving complex , analytical methods of solutions to describe flow phenomena such as shock waves and flutter were mainly used [2]. In the course of time, advancements in computer applications provided the capability to solve more complex aeroelastic problems using computational fluid dynamics (CFD). Also, improved experimental tools have been devised for measuring a variety of structural and flow parameters, thus allowing for a better physical understanding, as well as the discovery, of aeroelastic behaviors. Also, the development of efficient solution schemes for CFD provided for more accurate aeroelastic computations. These advancements have collectively contributed in the discovery of an aeroelastic behavior known as limit cycle oscillation (LCO). In recent times, there has been several scientific works devoted to the understanding of the physics behind LCO behaviors. The objective of this thesis is to provide a numerical study of LCO using a CFD solver in order to pro-

vide a physical understanding of, as well as to prove the capability of the CFD solver to capture, this aeroelastic phenomenon. This study begins with the understanding of the fundamental concepts behind LCO.

## 1.1 Flutter Oscillations

The fundamental concept of LCO is similar to that of the aeroelastic phenomenon known as flutter. This occurs when a wing undergoes a flow-induced, self-sustainable vibration with amplitude continuously increasing, eventually stabilizing to a constant amplitude vibration. There exists a critical flow condition that causes the wing to undergo a periodic heave and pitching motion with constant amplitude, as demonstrated in References [3] [4]. This is known as the critical flutter phenomenon. In real case scenarios, a wing that is going through a regular flutter behavior is vulnerable to structural failures. This could be avoided by knowing the flow conditions that causes critical flutter, and designing a wing that could at least support the aerodynamic forces at critical flutter conditions. According to Reference [5], one of the aerodynamic attributes of flutter is that the shock waves move almost in a sinusoidal manner and remains present during the complete cycle of oscillation, although its strength varies. This effect has been demonstrated in experimental and simulation tests, such as in Reference [6]. This has also been confirmed by results obtained from the CFD solver used for this thesis study. The periodical motion of shock waves around an airfoil causes it to vibrate periodically in heave and pitch.



## 1.2 Limit Cycle Oscillations

According to literature, a wing subject to a certain flow condition may exhibit two different flow phenomena, including limit cycle oscillation and flutter [7]. These aeroelastic behaviors are both similar in terms of their aerodynamic nature, and the condition that both exhibit constant amplitude structural oscillations after a certain period of time. They are basically described when the amplitude of the structural oscillations grow in time, and gradually stabilizing into a state of constant amplitude oscillation. Similarly to flutter, the aerodynamic nature of LCO is that of a shock wave motion around the structures that induces a periodic flow separation at the trailing edge, thus providing a damping effect that stabilizes the structural oscillation of the object [8]. The difference between these two aeroelastic phenomena is in the growth rate and amplitude size of the structural oscillation during their transient phase. This has been demonstrated in various studies, such as in References [9], [10], [11], and [12]. The objective behind these studies has been to investigate if LCO could be used to extend the operational flight regime, even though it is seen as an undesirable vibration that limits the aircraft flight performance. This thesis attempts to investigate LCO and flutter behaviors by using a CFD solver to capture these aeroelastic behaviors from the NLR 7301 and the NACA 64a010 wing,

# Chapter 2

## Governing Flow Equations

The CFD solver that is used to capture LCO uses the Reynolds averaged Navier-Stokes equations (RANS) to obtain a solution of the flowfield. These equations arise from applying the concept of mass, momentum, and energy balance equations. The RANS model is supplemented with turbulence model such as the Baldwin Lomax model, which is what this thesis study uses to obtain its results. The RANS model that is embedded in the CFD solver can be used to simulate two and three dimensional flow around moving or non-moving objects, as provided in Reference [13]. This study focuses on CFD computations of the two dimensional geometry of both the NLR 3701 and the NACA 64a010 wings.

### 2.1 Formulation of Navier-Stokes Equation

The Navier-Stokes equations consists of the three principal equations of heat transfer and fluid dynamics; namely, the conservation of mass, the conservation of momen-

tum, and the conservation of energy [14]. The RANS equations can be collectively combined to form a single vector equation. This equation is then expanded with a source term representing external heating and forces. The end result is the integral form the Navier-Stokes equation, expressed as:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\Omega} \vec{Q} d\Omega + \oint_{\partial\Omega} (\vec{W}_c - \vec{W}_v) dS = \int_{\Omega} \vec{K} d\Omega \quad (2.1)$$

The vector  $\vec{Q}$  is known as the conservative vector, and it consists of parameters related to the physical properties of the flow. The vector  $\vec{W}_c$  represents the convective flux vector, which contains the expressions related to the convective transport of quantities in the fluid. The vector  $\vec{W}_v$  represents the viscous flux vector, which contains the expressions related to viscous stresses. Lastly, the vector  $\vec{K}$  represents the source term which is comprised of volume sources due to body forces and volumetric heating. Supposed that the convective and viscous fluxes are continuous such that a first-order differentiation of these vectors is possible, then the Navier-Stokes equation can be transformed from an integral to a differential form by first applying Gauss' theorem [15], yielding:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\Omega} \vec{Q} d\Omega + \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot (\vec{W}_c - \vec{W}_v) d\Omega = \int_{\Omega} \vec{K} d\Omega. \quad (2.2)$$

Equation 2.2 can then be integrated with respect to a control volume,  $\Omega$ , resulting in the desired differential form of the Navier-Stokes equation, that is:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{Q}}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{W}_c - \vec{W}_v) = \vec{K} \quad (2.3)$$

The Cartesian coordinates of equation 2.3 are transformed into curvilinear coordinates, as shown in equation 2.4. This is done by applying the equations of metric transformation [16], leading to equation 2.5, which is the Navier-Stokes equation in non-dimensional form and in the computational space.

$$\xi = \xi(x, y, z, t) \quad (2.4)$$

$$\eta = \eta(x, y, z, t)$$

$$\zeta = \zeta(x, y, z, t)$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{Q}^*}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{c,1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{c,2}}{\partial \eta} + \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{c,3}}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \left( \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{v,1}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{v,2}}{\partial \eta} + \frac{\partial \vec{W}_{v,3}}{\partial \zeta} \right) \quad (2.5)$$

The vector  $\vec{Q}^*$  of equation 2.5 is defined as  $\vec{Q}^* = \frac{\vec{Q}}{J}$ , where  $J$  is the determinant of the coordinate transformation Jacobian. Equation 2.5 can be supplemented with moving grid models so it can be applied for cases involving both moving and non-moving grids. Also, since equation 2.5 is suitable for laminar CFD computations, it is supplemented with a turbulence model in order to solve for problems involving turbulent flows. The CFD solver that is used for this study makes use of the curvilinear, nondimensional, moving-grid form of the Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes equation with Favre mass averaged terms for the Baldwin-Lomax turbulence model. The conservative, convective and viscous vectors of equation 2.5, are defined in equations 2.6,

2.7, and 2.8. They are implemented in the present CFD solver.

$$\vec{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{v} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{\omega} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{e} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{W}_{c,1} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \xi_t \vec{Q} + \xi_x \vec{E}_c + \xi_y \vec{F}_c + \xi_z \vec{G}_c \right) \\ \vec{W}_{c,2} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \eta_t \vec{Q} + \eta_x \vec{E}_c + \eta_y \vec{F}_c + \eta_z \vec{G}_c \right) \\ \vec{F}_{c,3} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \zeta_t \vec{Q} + \zeta_x \vec{E}_c + \zeta_y \vec{F}_c + \zeta_z \vec{G}_c \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{W}_{v,1} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \xi_t \vec{Q} + \xi_x \vec{E}_v + \xi_y \vec{F}_v + \xi_z \vec{G}_v \right) \\ \vec{W}_{v,2} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \eta_t \vec{Q} + \eta_x \vec{E}_v + \eta_y \vec{F}_v + \eta_z \vec{G}_v \right) \\ \vec{W}_{v,3} &= \frac{1}{J} \left( \zeta_t \vec{Q} + \zeta_x \vec{E}_v + \zeta_y \vec{F}_v + \zeta_z \vec{G}_v \right) \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

where:

$$\vec{E}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho}\tilde{u} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{u} + \tilde{p} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{v} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{\omega} \\ (\bar{\rho}\tilde{e} + \tilde{p})\tilde{u} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{F}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho}\tilde{v} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{v} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{v}\tilde{v} + \tilde{p} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{\omega}\tilde{v} \\ (\bar{\rho}\tilde{e} + \tilde{p})\tilde{v} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{G}_c = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho}\tilde{\omega} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{\omega} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{v}\tilde{\omega} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{\omega}\tilde{\omega} + \tilde{p} \\ (\bar{\rho}\tilde{e} + \tilde{p})\tilde{\omega} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2.9)$$

and

$$\vec{E}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \bar{\tau}_{xx} - \frac{\rho u'' u''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{xy} - \frac{\rho u'' v''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{xz} - \frac{\rho u'' \omega''}{\rho} \\ Q_x \end{bmatrix}, \vec{F}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \bar{\tau}_{yx} - \frac{\rho v'' u''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{yy} - \frac{\rho v'' v''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{yz} - \frac{\rho v'' \omega''}{\rho} \\ Q_y \end{bmatrix}, \vec{G}_v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \bar{\tau}_{zx} - \frac{\rho \omega'' u''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{zy} - \frac{\rho \omega'' v''}{\rho} \\ \bar{\tau}_{zz} - \frac{\rho \omega'' \omega''}{\rho} \\ Q_z \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.10)$$

The pressure variable  $\tilde{p}$  of equation 2.9 is the force exerted on the fluid flow. The variable  $\tau_{ij}$ , and  $\bar{\rho}\tilde{e}$  are the shear stress of the flow around the body, and the total energy. The variables  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $\omega$  are the Cartesian components of the flow velocity. The expressions for the heat flux and shear stress, as shown in equations 2.11 and 2.12, are in the Cartesian coordinate space, and it is modified with Favre mass-averaged expressions for turbulence motion. These expressions use Einstein summation notations, in order to accommodate the three Cartesian components of shear stress, and heat transfer variables. A systematic method of replacing the  $ijk$  with  $xyz$  notation can be used in order to obtain each component.

$$\bar{\tau}_{ij} = -\frac{2}{3}\tilde{\mu}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}_k}{\partial x_k}\delta_{ij} + \mu\left(\frac{\partial\tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial\tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i}\right) \quad (2.11)$$

$$Q_i = \tilde{u}_i\left(\bar{\tau}_{ij} - \overline{\rho u'' u''}\right) - (\bar{q}_i - C_p\overline{\rho T'' u''}) \quad (2.12)$$

The variable  $\bar{q}_i$  of equation 2.12 is the mean molecular heat flux defined as  $\bar{q}_i = -\frac{\tilde{\mu}}{(\gamma-1)\text{Pr}}\frac{\partial a^2}{\partial x_i}$ , in which  $\tilde{\mu}$  is the turbulent-based viscosity, which, in turn, is determined using Sutherland's formula, and  $a$  is the speed of sound, as determined by  $a = \sqrt{\gamma RT_\infty}$ . The thermodynamic state that closes the system is given by equation 2.13 as

$$\bar{\rho}\tilde{e} = \frac{\tilde{\rho}}{(\gamma - 1)} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\rho}(\tilde{u}^2 + \tilde{v}^2 + \tilde{\omega}^2) + k, \quad (2.13)$$

where  $\gamma$  is the ratio of specific heats, and  $k$  is the Favre mass-averaged turbulence kinetic energy.

## Chapter 3

# Governing Structural Equations

In order to make the CFD solver capable of solving the fluid flow around a moving geometry, the governing flow equations need to be coupled with governing structural equations. In the case of a wing with infinitely large span-to-chord ratio, the governing structural equations for two dimensions can be used, including the heave and pitching structural equations. As shown in figure 3.1, the heave and pitching motion of an airfoil is the vertical and rotational motion, respectively. The CFD solver is also capable of simulating three dimensional cases with cross-section deflections [13]. For this kind of problems, the modal equations are used. The present work is focused on two dimensional airfoils which is rigid with no deflection.



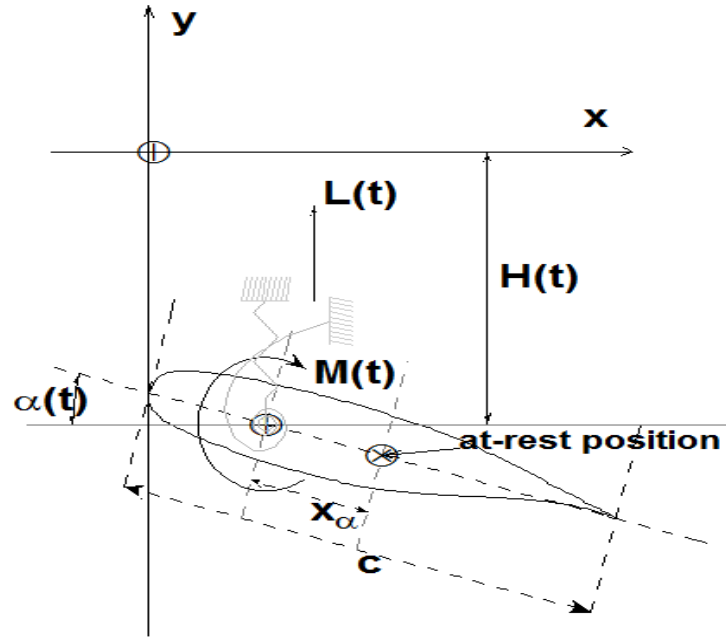


Figure 3.1: Profile Diagram of an Airfoil

### 3.1 Heave and Pitching Equations

Using Newton's law of force summation, the heave structural equation can be expressed as follows:

$$m\ddot{h} + mcx_\alpha\ddot{\alpha} + \Phi_h\dot{h} + k_h h = L. \quad (3.1)$$

Equation 3.1 can be applied for two dimensional flow problems involving moving structures such as wings with large span-to-chord ratios. The variable  $m$  is the mass of the wing,  $c$  is the chord length,  $h$  is the vertical displacement along the rotating axis,  $\alpha$  is the rotational displacement around its rotating axis,  $\Phi_h$  is the translational damping factor along its rotating axis,  $k_h$  is vertical stiffness factor, and  $L$  is the lift per unit span. The damping variable  $\Phi_h$  gives a measure of resistance of the

wing against flow-induced heave vibrations. However, the damping value for real case scenarios is so small compared to aerodynamic forces, that it is practically zero in CFD computations. Equation 3.1 is non-dimensionalized using the procedure provided in Appendices D.3 and D.4, resulting in the following:

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_h^* \frac{\omega_h}{\omega_\alpha} \dot{h}^* + \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} h^* = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_L. \quad (3.2)$$

The Newton's law of moment summation can be used to obtain the pitching structural equation as follow:

$$m c x_\alpha \ddot{h} + I_\alpha \ddot{\alpha} + \Phi_\alpha \dot{\alpha} + k_\alpha \alpha = M. \quad (3.3)$$

The variable  $I_\alpha$  is the moment of inertia around its rotating axis. The variable  $\Phi_\alpha$  is rotational damping factor.  $k_\alpha$  is the rotational stiffness factor. Lastly,  $M$  is the moment around its rotating axis, as indicated in figure 3.1. Equation 3.3 is non-dimensionalized using the procedure provided in Appendix D.1 and D.2, resulting in the following:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_\alpha^* r_\alpha^2 \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_M. \quad (3.4)$$

The rotational damping variable is also a measure of resistance of the wing against flow-induced pitching vibration. It is also considered to be very small in real case flow problems, that it can be set to zero in CFD computations. Nevertheless, the CFD solver could take both rotational and translational damping values for solving

the governing structural equations.

# Chapter 4

## Discretization of Equations

In order to simulate the fluid flow around a moving object, the CFD solver makes use of the Fully Coupled Solution Methodology to obtain the flowfield solution at every timestep of the simulation run [17] [18]. This fully coupling solution method consists of running pseudo-time steps during every physical time step, in order to obtain a converging solution of the RANS equations. During each pseudo-time step, the CFD solver finds an iterative solution of the structural equations, which is then coupled with the RANS equations so that they can be solved for at the current pseudo time step. If the computed RANS solution does not converge at this pseudo-time step, the solution of structural equations is solved for the next pseudo-time level, and the same process is repeated until a final converging solution of the RANS equation is obtained. The same overall process is then repeated at the next physical time step. This fully coupled solution methodology is made possible by the discretization of both the RANS equations and structural equations, which is the focus of the present chapter.

## 4.1 Structural Equation Formulation

The two non-dimensional structural equations, as given by equations 3.2 and 3.4, can be combined to form a matrix equation, as follows:

$$[M] \frac{\partial \vec{S}}{\partial t} + [K] \vec{S} = \vec{q}, \quad (4.1)$$

where:

$$[M] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -x_\alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -x_\alpha & 0 & r_\alpha^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad [K] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} & 2\Phi_h \frac{\omega_h}{\omega_\alpha} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & r_\alpha^2 & 2\Phi_\alpha r_\alpha^2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (4.2)$$

and

$$\vec{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_L \\ 0 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_M \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{S} = \begin{bmatrix} h^* \\ \dot{h}^* \\ \alpha^* \\ \dot{\alpha}^* \end{bmatrix}. \quad (4.3)$$

In equation 4.1, the matrices  $[M]$  and  $[K]$  are the mass matrix, and the stiffness matrix, respectively, and the vector  $\vec{S}$  is structural conservative vector. In equations 4.2 and 4.3,  $x_\alpha$  is the nondimensional distance between the center of mass and axis of rotation,  $r_\alpha$  is the radius of gyration,  $\mu$  is the mass ratio,  $\omega_\alpha$  is the pitch frequency,  $\omega_h$  is the heave frequency,  $\Phi_h$  is the heave damping factor,  $\Phi_\alpha$  is the pitch damping factor,  $C_L$  is coefficient of lift, and  $C_M$  is coefficient of moment. More details about these parameters are available in Appendix D.

Equation 4.1 is discretized using the 3-step backward differencing techniques, thus yielding equation 4.4. The solver then solves the matrix equation 4.4 for  $\vec{S}$  using the

Gauss-Seidel Line relaxation iterative techniques involving pseudo-time steps toward a converging solution.

$$\left( \frac{1}{\Delta\tau}[I] + \frac{1.5}{\Delta t}[M] + [K] \right) \delta \vec{S}^{n+1,m+1} = -[M] \frac{3\vec{S}^{n+1,m-1} - 4\vec{S}^n + \vec{S}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} - [K] \vec{S}^{n+1,m} + \vec{q}^{n+1,m+1} \quad (4.4)$$

## 4.2 Flow Equations

In order to discretize the RANS equations, it must be transformed from a nonlinear to linearized form. This can be achieved by imposing the Method of Lines, as described in Reference [15]. The outcome from this method is the vector  $\vec{R}$ , also known as the residual vector, which contains the viscous and convective vectors, as given by equations 2.7 and 2.8. Then, using the same implicit discretization technique as used for the structural equation, the RANS equation becomes equation 4.5, as follows:

$$\left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Delta t_I^*} + \frac{3}{2\Delta t} (\Omega [M])_I^{n+1} + \left( \frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{Q}} \right) \right) \right] \Delta \vec{Q}^* = - \left( \vec{R}_I^* \right)^l, \quad (4.5)$$

where  $\vec{R}$  is the residual vector, expressed as:

$$R = - \int_s [(W_{c,1} - W_{v,1}) \mathbf{i} + (W_{c,2} - W_{v,2}) \mathbf{j} + (W_{c,3} - W_{v,3}) \mathbf{k}] \cdot ds. \quad (4.6)$$

The term  $\frac{\partial \vec{R}}{\partial \vec{Q}}$  of equation 4.5 is known as the flux Jacobian. The CFD solver evaluates the convective flux vectors in equation 4.5 using specialized schemes such as central

scheme, flux-Vector Splitting scheme, etc. For this study, the Roe scheme [15] [19] and Zha scheme [17] [20] are used to solve these vectors for CFD computation.

# Chapter 5

## The CFD solver

The present CFD solver that is used to obtain LCO simulations with the NACA 64a010 and the NLR 7301 wing is available at the CFD lab of the college of engineering of the University of Miami. A complete technical description of this aeroelastic solver can be found in Reference [13]. It is used to simulate airflow around moving or non-moving two dimensional airfoils, generating time-dependent CFD results of the aerodynamic properties of the flowfield. It can also simulate fluid flow around three dimensional moving or non-moving objects such as wings and airplanes. It makes use of Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes equations, supplemented with the turbulence model known as the Baldwin-Lomax model, as described in Reference [21]. As mentioned in section 4.2, the fully coupled solution methodology is employed to obtain CFD solution of the flowfield around moving objects at every physical time step. In the present chapter, the overall process of running the CFD solver for solving the flow field of moving structures is described. Also, the solution schemes that are used to solve the convective flux vectors of RANS equations are described.



Two particular schemes are used, including the Roe scheme [15] [19] and the Zha scheme [17] [20].

## 5.1 CFD Simulation Process

In order to obtain CFD solutions of the flowfield around a moving object, the CFD solver needs to go through a series of CFD simulation pre-runs that require different initial flow solutions, before running the true CFD run that provides the necessary CFD results. First, an initial solution is created to run the program with laminar flow. This flowfield solution, like all subsequent solutions, consists of initial values of the flow conservative variables, as shown in equation 2.6. The final CFD solution that is generated by the first pre-run serves as the initial solution for the second pre-run, which simulates turbulent flow around a non-moving object. The final flowfield solution from the second pre-run is used as the initial solution for the third pre-run. This simulation pre-run generates solution in pseudo-time steps, and it generates a pair of CFD solutions; one for the final physical time step, and the other for the second final physical time step. These two CFD solutions are then used as the initial solutions for the next and true run, which simulates turbulence flows around a flow-induced vibrating airfoil.

During the third simulation pre-run, the program makes use of the fully coupled methodology to obtain a converging solution of the flowfield at every physical time step. During the pseudo-time iteration process, the program basically finds the solutions of the flow equations by first acquiring the solution of the structural equation

at the current pseudo-time step. This cycle repeats until both the residuals of the RANS solutions reach machine zero, or if the maximum allowable pseudo time step is reached, whichever comes first.

## 5.2 Upwind Schemes

As explained in section 4.2, the two solution schemes that can be used to solve the RANS inviscid convective flux vector are the Roe scheme [15] [19] and Zha scheme [17] [20]. These solution schemes are based on the physical properties of Euler equations that define the physical characteristic of flow. Hence, they are referred as upwind schemes. They are different from central schemes, which are based on the idea of averaging out the conservative variables to the left and to the right of control volume, thus not reflecting the actual physical flow characteristics. There are several categories of upwind schemes, including flux-vector splitting, flux-difference splitting, total variation diminishing, and fluctuation-splitting schemes [15].

### 5.2.1 The Roe Scheme

The governing principle behind the Roe Scheme is to evaluate the convective fluxes at the face of a control volume from the left and right state by solving the Riemann problem. It belongs to the category of flux-difference splitting schemes. It can be used for flow fields that are discretized based on the based on cell-centered scheme or dual control-volume. In the case of the CFD solver, the cell-centered volume approach is used. The Roe scheme can be expressed in general as:

$$\left(\vec{F}_c\right)_R - \left(\vec{F}_c\right)_L = \left(\bar{A}_{Roe}\right)_{I+\frac{1}{2}} \left(\vec{Q}_R - \vec{Q}_L\right). \quad (5.1)$$

In equation 5.1, the matrix variable  $\bar{A}_{Roe}$  denotes the so called *Roe matrix*, and the subscripts  $L$  and  $R$  represent the left and right state, respectively. The Roe matrix is identical to the convective flux Jacobian, as described in references [15], and [22]. The convective interface flux can be evaluated at the faces of a control volume, as follow [23]:

$$\left(\vec{F}_c\right)_{I+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{F}_c \left(\vec{W}_R\right) + \vec{F}_c \left(\vec{W}_L\right) - \left|\bar{A}_{Roe}\right|_{I+\frac{1}{2}} \left(\vec{W}_R - \vec{W}_L\right) \right] \quad (5.2)$$

According to References [24] and [13], The Roe matrix  $\bar{A}_{Roe}$  is a 6 x 6 matrix and has the form  $A = T\Lambda T^{-1}$ , where  $T$ ,  $T^{-1}$ , and  $\Lambda$  are the right eigenvector, left eigenvector, and the eigenvalue matrix of  $A$ , respectively. By replacing the variables of  $T$ ,  $T^{-1}$ , and  $\Lambda$  with the corresponding Roe-averaged counterparts, the Roe matrix  $\bar{A}_{Roe}$  can be obtained. The expression for  $T$ , and  $\Lambda$  are given as follow:

$$\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} U + C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & U - C & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & U & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & U & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & U & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & U \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.3)$$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2h} & \frac{1}{2h} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{h} & 0 \\ \frac{u+cl_x}{2h} & \frac{u-cl_x}{2h} & \hat{m}_x & \hat{n}_x & -\frac{u}{h} & 0 \\ \frac{v+cl_y}{2h} & \frac{v-cl_y}{2h} & \hat{m}_y & \hat{n}_y & -\frac{v}{h} & 0 \\ \frac{\omega+cl_z}{2h} & \frac{\omega-cl_z}{2h} & \hat{m}_z & \hat{n}_z & -\frac{\omega}{h} & 0 \\ \frac{c\hat{U}+\gamma e^{-(\gamma-1)q}}{2h} & \frac{-c\hat{U}+\gamma e^{-(\gamma-1)q}}{2h} & \widehat{V} & \widehat{W} & -\frac{q}{h} & 0 \\ \frac{v}{2h} & \frac{v}{2h} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{v}{h} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (5.4)$$

where the static enthalpy  $h$  is calculated as,

$$h = \frac{c^2}{\gamma - 1}, \quad (5.5)$$

and the variable  $q$  is the flow kinetic energy, expressed as,

$$q = \frac{1}{2} (u^2 + v^2 + \omega^2). \quad (5.6)$$

$\hat{l}$  is the unit vector normal to the  $\xi$  surface pointing to the direction that  $\xi$  increases, and it can be expressed as:

$$\hat{l} = \frac{\vec{l}}{|\vec{l}|} \quad (5.7)$$

$\hat{m}$ ,  $\hat{n}$  and  $\hat{l}$  are mutually orthogonal unit vectors; that is,  $\hat{l} \bullet \hat{m} = 0$ ,  $\hat{l} \bullet \hat{n} = 0$ , and  $\hat{m} \bullet \hat{n} = 0$ . Let  $\vec{V} = (u, v, \omega)$  be the velocity vector,  $\hat{U}$ ,  $\hat{V}$ , and  $\hat{W}$  are then determined by,

$$\hat{U} = \vec{V} \cdot \hat{l} \quad (5.8)$$

$$\hat{V} = \vec{V} \cdot \hat{m} \quad (5.9)$$

$$\hat{W} = \vec{V} \cdot \hat{n} \quad (5.10)$$

The Roe scheme that is used in the CFD solver is based on the above formulations,

and it can be used for moving cases.

### 5.2.2 The Zha Scheme

The Zha scheme is based on the concept of Convective Upwind Split Pressure (CUSP) scheme, as suggested in References [25], [26], [27], and [28]. Basically, the governing principle behind CUSP schemes is to decompose the vector of the convective fluxes into two parts, including a convective and a pressure part. The CUSP schemes can be categorized into two types, including H-CUSP and E-CUSP schemes. The Zha scheme belongs to the E-CUSP category. The main feature about E-CUSP schemes is that the total energy is placed in the convective vector, whereas the H-CUSP schemes, as well as other upwind schemes, have the total enthalpy from the energy equation in the convective vectors. The E-CUSP scheme developed by Zha has the advantages of low diffusion and efficient calculations using a scalar dissipation term. The general expression for CUSP schemes is as follows:

$$\left(\vec{F}_c\right)_{I+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{F}_c \left(\vec{Q}_R\right) + \vec{F}_c \left(\vec{Q}_L\right) \right] - \vec{D}_{I+\frac{1}{2}}. \quad (5.11)$$

where  $\left(\vec{F}_c\right)_{I+\frac{1}{2}}$  is the interface flux, and  $\vec{D}_{I+\frac{1}{2}}$  is the dissipation term. The general expression of the interface flux that is evaluated by the Zha scheme is as follow:

$$\vec{F}_{I+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ (\rho u)_{\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{q}_L^c + \mathbf{q}_R^c) - |\rho u|_{\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{q}_L^c - \mathbf{q}_R^c) \right] + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbb{P}^+ p \\ \frac{1}{2} p \left( u + a_{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{pmatrix}_L + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbb{P}^- p \\ \frac{1}{2} p \left( u - a_{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{pmatrix}_R \quad (5.12)$$

Where, the interface mass flux is evaluated as:

$$(\rho u)_{\frac{1}{2}} = (\rho_L u_L^+ + \rho_R u_R^+) \quad (5.13)$$

$$\mathbf{q}^c = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ u \\ e \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.14)$$

$$u_L^+ = a_{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \frac{M_L + |M_L|}{2} + \alpha_L \left[ \frac{1}{4} (M_L + 1)^2 - \frac{M_L + |M_L|}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (5.15)$$

$$u_R^+ = a_{\frac{1}{2}} \left\{ \frac{M_R - |M_R|}{2} + \alpha_R \left[ \frac{1}{4} (M_R - 1)^2 - \frac{M_R - |M_R|}{2} \right] \right\} \quad (5.16)$$

The variables  $\alpha_L$  and  $\alpha_R$  are evaluated as:

$$a_L = \frac{2(p/\rho)_L}{(p/\rho)_L + (p/\rho)_R}, \quad a_R = \frac{2(p/\rho)_R}{(p/\rho)_L + (p/\rho)_R} \quad (5.17)$$

The interface speed of sound  $a_{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and Mach number are evaluated as:

$$a_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} (a_L + a_R) \quad (5.18)$$

$$M_L = \frac{u_L}{a_{\frac{1}{2}}}, \quad M_R = \frac{u_R}{a_{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (5.19)$$

The pressure splitting coefficient is:

$$\mathbb{P}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{4} (M \pm 1)^2 (2 \mp M) \pm \alpha M (M^2 - 1)^2, \quad \alpha = \frac{3}{16} \quad (5.20)$$

For  $u > a$ ,  $\vec{F}_{\frac{1}{2}} = \vec{F}_L$ ; and for  $u < -a$ ,  $\vec{F}_{\frac{1}{2}} = \vec{F}_R$ .

More details about the parameters in equation 5.12 can be found in References [20], [29], and [30]. The CFD solver can be run to solve the turbulent flow around a moving geometry by using the Zha scheme.

# Chapter 6

## CFD Mesh Generation

In order to perform the CFD simulation of the flowfield around a NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 wing geometry, a mesh coordinate file linked must be generated first. To begin with, the mesh coordinate file can be generated by running a Fortran code developed by Chen [17]. The mesh coordinate file obtained from Chen's Fortran code is then used to generate the initial flowfield solution which has the initial flow properties at each coordinate point. The most complicated phase in performing a CFD computation is the generation of the mesh coordinate file. In the following sections, the specific technique used to generate the mesh coordinate files of NACA 64a010, NLR 7301, as well as a cylinder, is described. Also, the mesh coordinate system and boundary conditions are described.



## 6.1 Mesh Generation Mathematics

The method that is used to generate the mesh coordinates around the object of interest is known as the algebraic grid generation method. Before implementing this method, the topology of the mesh needs to be defined. For the present study, the O-type topology is used, and the boundary conditions of this topology are schematically depicted in figure 6.1. This particular mesh of O-type topology consists of one block, which is the terminology used to name a topology region. The entire mesh itself consists of two zones, including the fine and coarse mesh zones. This form of mesh structure allows for the CFD solver to reposition the coordinate point of the mesh files after every physical time step more effectively.

The mesh points along the surface of the object, or boundary I, are calculated using a formula based on clustered geometry grid generation techniques. The mesh points of the outer wall, or boundaries II and V, are equally distributed along their entire lengths. The mesh points for boundaries III and IV are calculated using the same clustering technique as used for boundary I. The boundary points that surround the fine mesh zone serve as boundary conditions to solve for the fine mesh coordinates using elliptic partial differential equations (PDE) for grid generation [16].

The computational finite difference analog of PDE in x coordinates is as follows:

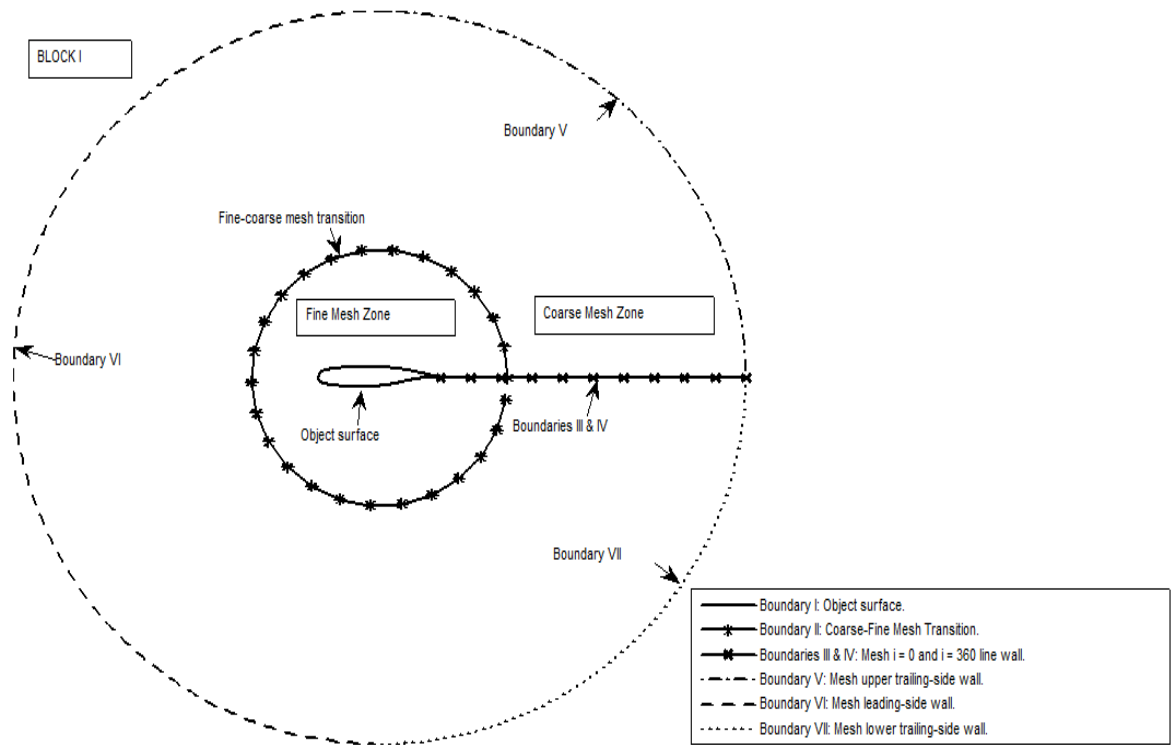


Figure 6.1: Mesh boundary descriptions using O-type topology.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \omega (cx_{i,j+1}^{k+1}) - 2(a+c)x_{i,j}^{k+1} + \omega (cx_{i,j-1}^{k+1}) = \\
& -2(1-\omega) \left[ \frac{a}{(\Delta\zeta)^2} + \frac{c}{(\Delta\eta)^2} \right] x_{i,j}^k + \\
& \frac{\omega b}{2} (x_{i+1,j+1}^b - x_{i+1,j-1}^k + x_{i-1,j-1}^{k+1} + x_{i-1,j+1}^{k+1}) - \\
& \omega a (x_{i+1,j}^k + x_{i-1,j}^{k+1})
\end{aligned} \tag{6.1}$$

The PDE for  $y$ -coordinates is the same as equation 6.1, only that the variable  $x$  is replaced with  $y$ . These equations are also known as the Successive Overrelaxation Line Gauss-Seidel form of Poisson's equations. As indicated in equation 6.1, the computational coordinates  $i$ ,  $j$ , and  $k$  provide a means to identify the physical coordinate system of the mesh field. Basically, the  $i$  coordinate axis starts from the trailing edge of the object surface, wraps counterclockwise around boundary I, and ends at the same trailing edge. The  $j$ -coordinate axis starts from the surface of the object, continues outward from the surface of the object, and ends at the wall of the block. The PDEs are solved using an iterative convergence technique known as Thomas algorithm [19].

The formula that is used to generate the clustered geometry grid of the coarse mesh region, as shown in figure 6.1, is as follows:

$$y_{i,j} = H \frac{(\beta - 1) [(\beta + 1) / (\beta - 1)]^{1-j}}{[(\beta + 1) / (\beta - 1)] j + 1}, \quad j = 1, J_{\max} \tag{6.2}$$

Equation 6.2 is based on algebraic grid generation techniques [16]. The variable  $H$  is the physical length of boundary III (boundaries III and IV have equal lengths). The variable  $\beta$  is the cluster parameter whose value can be anything between 1 and

$\infty$ . The closer the variable  $\beta$  is to 1, the greater the number points become clustered toward  $j = 1$ . More technical details about algebraic mesh generation techniques can be found in References [31] and [32].

# Chapter 7

## Results

The goal of this thesis is to perform CFD simulations of flow-induced vibrations of NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 in order to capture LCO behaviors using both the Zha and Roe scheme. After several CFD simulation trials, LCO and flutter behaviors have been successfully captured using both schemes. The results given in the present chapter are obtained using the Roe scheme. The CFD results associated with these flow behaviors are post-processed in order to obtain the pressure coefficient distribution and the skin friction coefficient distribution. These plots help demonstrate the physics behind limit cycle oscillations, flutter, and damping vibrations. In the following sections, the flow and structural parameters that are used to run the CFD simulations of each airfoil are provided in tables 7.1, 7.2, 7.3. In these tables, the mesh file that is used for cases involving the NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 airfoil have a grid size of 280x65. Also, mesh file that is used for cases involving a cylinder has a mesh grid size of 120x80.

## 7.1 Method of CFD Computation

The methods used to run the CFD solver consists of certain simulation pre-runs and the final run, depending on the type of problem, and thus, requiring different input parameters. The formulas that are used to obtain the flow and structural parameters for the CFD solver can be found in Appendix E. In this thesis study, three different categories of CFD computation are performed, including turbulent flow around a stationary geometry, turbulent flow around force-induced vibrating geometry, and turbulent/laminar flow around a flow-induced vibrating geometry. The general process for running the CFD for each of these types of problem has been described in section 5.1.

In order to run all three types of CFD simulation, it is necessary to obtain the flow parameters, including the Reynolds Number  $Re$ , Mach number  $Ma$ , dimensionless stagnation pressure  $P_o$ , dimensionless static pressure  $P^*$ , dimensional total temperature  $T_o$ , and the Specific heat ratio  $\gamma$ . These five flow parameters must be calculated using the formulas provided in Appendix E. If the flow problem belongs to the category of flow-induced or force-induced vibrating objects, certain structural parameters must be obtained. For the case of force-induced vibrating objects, the reduced pitch frequency  $\omega_\alpha^*$  is require to simulate the pitching motion as a function of time as  $\alpha(t) = \alpha_m + \alpha_o \sin(\omega_\alpha^* t)$ , where  $\alpha_m$  and  $\alpha_o$  are the mean angle of attack and the amplitude of oscillation, respectively. For the case of a flow-induced vibrating object, several structural parameters must be acquired or calculated from given flow parameters. The necessary structural parameters are the dimensional velocity  $U_\infty$ , mass

ratio  $\mu$ , dimensional pitch frequency  $\omega_\alpha$ , ratio between pitch and heave frequency  $\frac{\omega_\alpha}{\omega_h}$ , moment arm length  $a$ , initial angle of attack  $\alpha_o$ , unbalance distance  $x_a$ , and the squared radius of gyration  $r_a^2$ . Out of these structural parameters, the dimensional velocity has to be calculated from equation E.6 in Appendix E.

## 7.2 Validation Cases

The CFD solver and the mesh files of NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 are tested by validating certain simulation runs with experimental and computational data. Table 7.1 provides the initial input parameters for three validity cases.

<b>Structural and Flow Parameters</b>	<b>Case I</b>	<b>Case II</b>	<b>Case III</b>
Reynolds Number: $Re$ (–)	500	12560000	1700000
Mach Number: $M$ (–)	0.2	0.8	0.753
Freestream temperature: $T$ (K)	–	–	498.6
Static Pressure: $P$ (Pa)	–	–	4.418
Specific heat ratio: $\gamma$ (–)	1.4	1.4	1.4
Dimensionless static pressure: $P^*$ (–)	17.85714	1.116071	1.259743
Total Pressure: $P_o$ (–)	18.36216	1.701272	1.834694
Total Temperature: $T_o$ (–)	1.008	1.128	1.113402
Viscosity: $\nu$ ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )	–	1.74	1.74
Velocity: $U_\infty$ ( $\frac{m}{s}$ )	–	315.678	–
Velocity Index: $VI$ (–)	–	1.278	–
Mass Ratio: $\mu$ (–)	1.2732	60	–
Reduced Velocity: $U^*$ (–)	1.59155	9.899345	–
Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha$ (1/s)	0.046940	–	–
Reduced Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha^*$ (–)	–	0.202	–
Frequency Ratio: $\frac{\omega_\alpha}{\omega_h}$ (–)	–	1	–
Heave Damping Factor: $\Phi_h$ (–)	–	0	–
Pitch Damping Factor: $\Phi_\alpha$ (–)	–	0	–
Damping ratio: (–)	0.633257	–	–
Number of Cycles: $NC$ (–)	–	–	–
Physical Time Step: $t_s$ (–)	0.05	0.3	0.3
Chord Length: $c$ (–)	1.0	1.0	1.0
Initial Angle of Attack: $\alpha_o$ (deg)	–	0.0	0.08
Moment arm length: $a$ (–)	0.0	0.0	–
Unbalance distance: $x_a$ (–)	–	–	–
Radius of gyration: $r_a^2$ (–)	–	–	–
Case I: Cylinder, vortex induced oscillating motion			
Case II: NACA 64a010, force induced oscillating motion			
Case III: NLR 7301, steady state (non-moving) condition			

Table 7.1: Flow and structural parameters for CFD simulation runs to obtain results for test and validation purposes



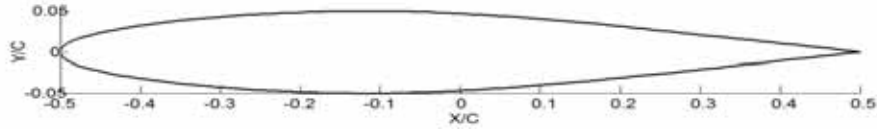


Figure 7.1: NACA 64a010 geometric profile

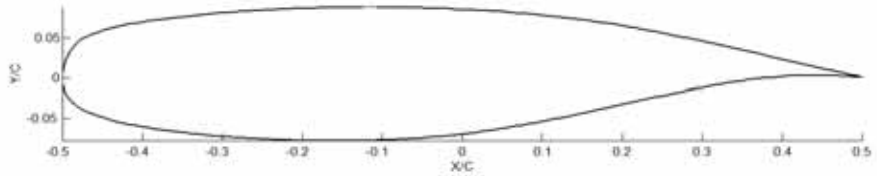


Figure 7.2: NLR 7301 geometric profile

### 7.3 LCO and Flutter Cases: NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301

One of the airfoils that are used to obtain CFD simulations of LCO and flutter is the NACA 64a010 conventional airfoil. This airfoil is symmetric about its chord line, as shown in figure 7.1. The coordinates of the airfoil shape can be obtained from Reference [33]. The initial structural and fluid parameters that is used for the damping, flutter, critical flutter, and LCO simulations are given in table 7.2.

The other airfoil that is used is the NLR 7301 supercritical airfoil. This airfoil is not symmetrical with respect to its chord line, as shown in figure 7.2. The coordinates of the airfoil can be obtained from Reference [34]. Like for the conventional airfoil, the structural and fluid parameter that is used to obtain flutter and LCO plots are given in table 7.3.

The results of the CFD simulations, using the Roe upwind scheme, are provided for both the NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 airfoils in the following sections. The input parameters that are used to simulate these airfoil vibrations are provided in tables 7.2 and 7.3.

<b>Structural and Flow Parameters</b>	<b>Case IV</b>	<b>Case V</b>	<b>Case VI</b>	<b>Case VII</b>
Reynolds Number: $Re$ (-)	12560000	12560000	12560000	12560000
Mach Number: $M$ (-)	0.825	0.825	0.825	0.925
Freestream temperature: $T$ (K)	277.8	277.8	277.8	277.8
Static Pressure: $P$ (Pa)	55157.2	55157.2	55157.2	55157.2
Specific heat ratio: $\gamma$ (-)	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
Dimensionless static pressure: $P^*$ (-)	0.834811	1.049455	1.049455	1.049455
Total Pressure: $P_o$ (-)	1.451108	1.640421	1.640421	1.640421
Total Temperature: $T_o$ (-)	1.171125	1.136125	1.136125	1.136125
Viscosity: $\nu$ ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )	1.73891	1.73891	1.73891	1.73891
Velocity: $U_\infty$ ( $\frac{m}{s}$ )	315.6782	315.6782	315.6782	315.6782
Velocity Index: $VI$ (-)	0.55	0.615	0.7	5.5
Mass Ratio: $\mu$ (-)	60	60	60	60
Reduced Velocity: $U^*$ (-)	4.26029	4.763769	4.763769	42.6028
Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha$ (1/s)	296.392	265.066	232.879	29.6392
Reduced Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha^*$ (-)	0.46945	0.419836	0.368856	0.46945
Frequency Ratio: $\frac{\omega_\alpha}{\omega_h}$ (-)	1	1	1	1
Heave Damping Factor: $\Phi_h$ (-)	0	0	0	0
Pitch Damping Factor: $\Phi_\alpha$ (-)	0	0	0	0
Number of Cycles: $NC$ (-)	2	2	2	12
Physical Time Step: $t_s$ (-)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Chord Length: $c$ (-)	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Initial Angle of Attack: $\alpha_o$ (deg)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Moment arm length: $a$ (-)	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0
Unbalance distance: $x_a$ (-)	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Radius of gyration: $r_a^2$ (-)	3.48	3.48	3.48	3.48
Case IV: NACA 64a010, damped oscillating condition				
Case V: NACA 64a010, Critical flutter oscillating condition				
Case VI: NACA 64a010, Flutter oscillating condition				
Case VII: NACA 64a010, LCO condition				

Table 7.2: Flow and structural parameters for CFD simulations of NACA64a010

<b>Structural and Flow Parameters</b>	<b>Case VIII</b>	<b>Case IX</b>
Reynolds Number: $Re$ (–)	1695000	1695000
Mach Number: $M$ (–)	0.77	0.77
Freestream temperature: $T$ (K)	310	310
Static Pressure: $P$ (Pa)	45000	45000
Specific heat ratio: $\gamma$ (–)	1.4	1.4
Dimensionless static pressure: $P^*$ (–)	1.204732	1.204732
Total Pressure: $P_o$ (–)	1.78330	1.78330
Total Temperature: $T_o$ (–)	1.11858	1.11858
Viscosity: $\nu$ ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )	1.74	1.74
Velocity: $U_\infty$ ( $\frac{m}{s}$ )	257.2398	257.2398
Velocity Index: $VI$ (–)	.190	.190
Mass Ratio: $\mu$ (–)	1077.2	1077.2
Reduced Velocity: $U^*$ (–)	0.31989	0.31989
Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha$ (1/s)	274.3014	274.3014
Reduced Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha^*$ (–)	–	–
Frequency Ratio: $\frac{\omega_\alpha}{\omega_h}$ (–)	0.761	0.761
Heave Damping Factor: $\Phi_h$ (–)	–	–
Pitch Damping Factor: $\Phi_\alpha$ (–)	–	–
Damping ratio: (–)	–	–
Number of Cycles: $NC$ (–)	–	–
Non-D. Physical Time Step: $t_s$ (–)	0.3	0.3
Chord Length: $c$ (–)	1.0	1.0
Initial Angle of Attack: $\alpha_o$ (deg)	0.65	0.0
Moment arm length: $a$ (–)	–0.25	–0.25
Unbalance distance: $x_a$ (–)	0.086	0.086
Radius of gyration: $r_a^2$ (–)	0.155236	0.155236
Case VIII: NLR 7301, flutter oscillating condition		
Case IX: NLR 7301, LCO oscillating condition		

Table 7.3: Flow and Structural parameters for CFD simulations of NLR 7301

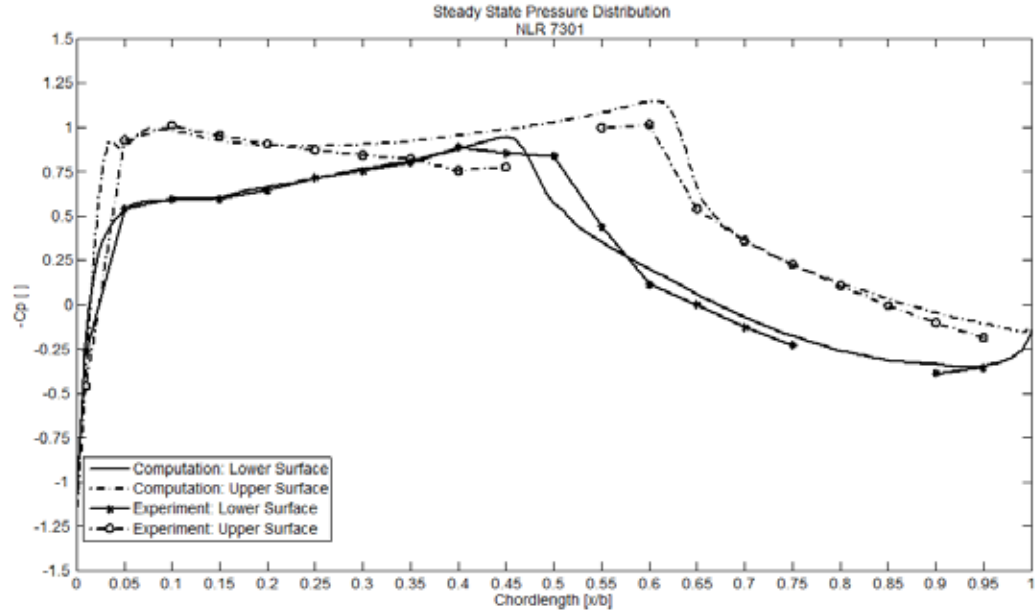


Figure 7.3: Pressure distribution of NLR 7301 for steady state condition (Case III),  $M_a = 0.78$ ,  $Re = 1700000.0$ , experimental data obtained from Reference [9]

## 7.4 Results I: Validation Cases

Figures 7.3 to 7.8 show the pressure distribution, lift and drag coefficients, and displacement profiles that are obtained for different cases of flow and structural conditions, as explained in table 7.1. Figures 7.7 and 7.8 show the computed moment coefficient and lift coefficient, respectively, for a NACA 64a010 in force vibration, with experimental data for comparison [33]. The computed moment coefficient does not agree as accurately with experimental data as it does for the lift coefficient, although these results are similar to those provided in References [4] and [35]. Figures 7.5 and 7.6 are CFD results for a cylinder using a geometry conservation law (GCL) condition of 1 [29]. Lastly, figure 7.9 shows the time evolution of the Mach contour plots for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition. The Mach contour plots are shown for every dimensionless timestep of 3.

As shown in the figures 7.3 to 7.8, the CFD solver is validated from CFD results

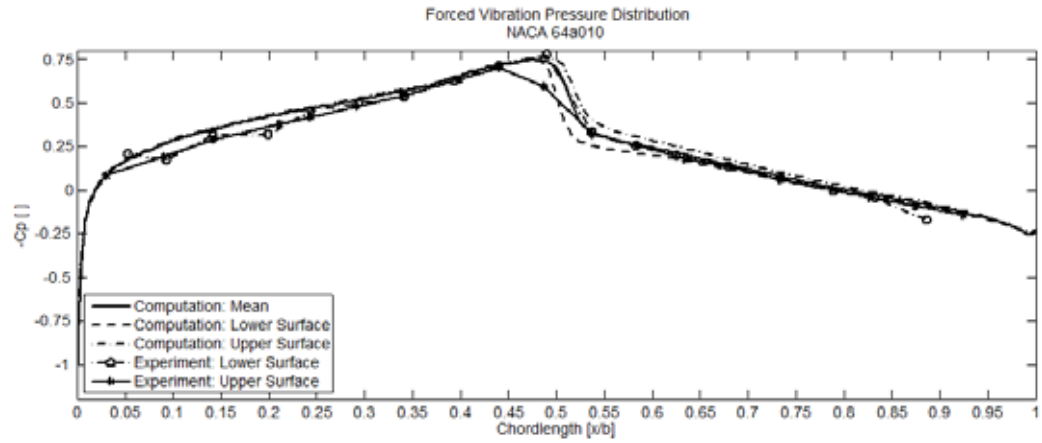


Figure 7.4: Pressure Distribution of NACA 64a010 for force-induced vibrating condition (Case II),  $M_a = 0.8$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ , Experimental data obtained from Reference [33]

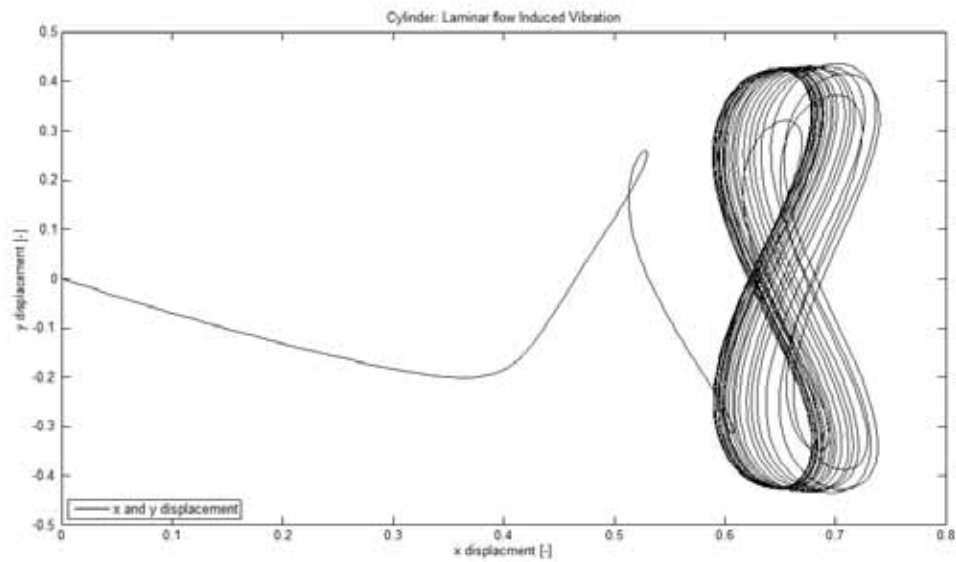


Figure 7.5: Displacement trajectory of a cylinder in laminar vortex induced oscillating condition (Case I),  $GCL = 0.0$ ,  $\zeta = 0.63326$ ,  $\mu_s = 1.2732$ ,  $\bar{u} = 1.5915$

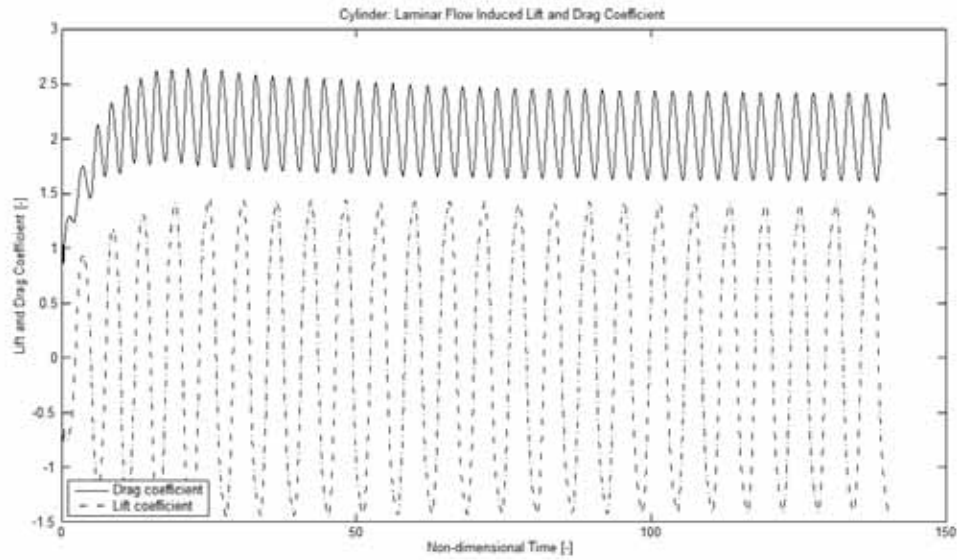


Figure 7.6: Drag and lift coefficient profile for a cylinder in laminar vortex induced condition (Case I),  $GCL = 0$ ,  $\zeta = 0.63326$ ,  $\mu_s = 1.2732$ ,  $\bar{u} = 1.5915$

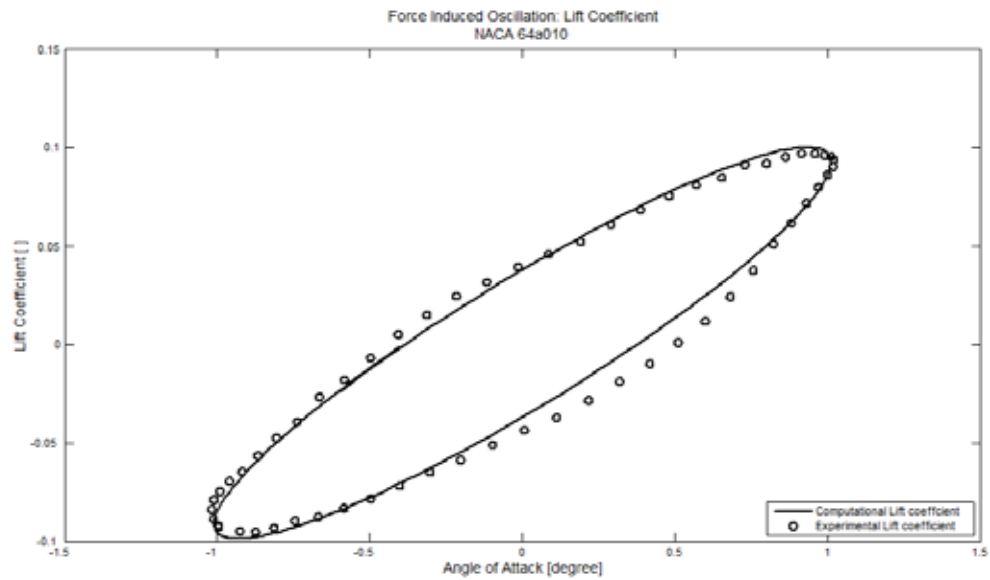


Figure 7.7: Lift coefficient profile of NACA 64a010 for force induced vibrating condition (Case II), at  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $\alpha_A = 1.01$ ,  $K_c = 0.202$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ , and  $M_a = 0.8$

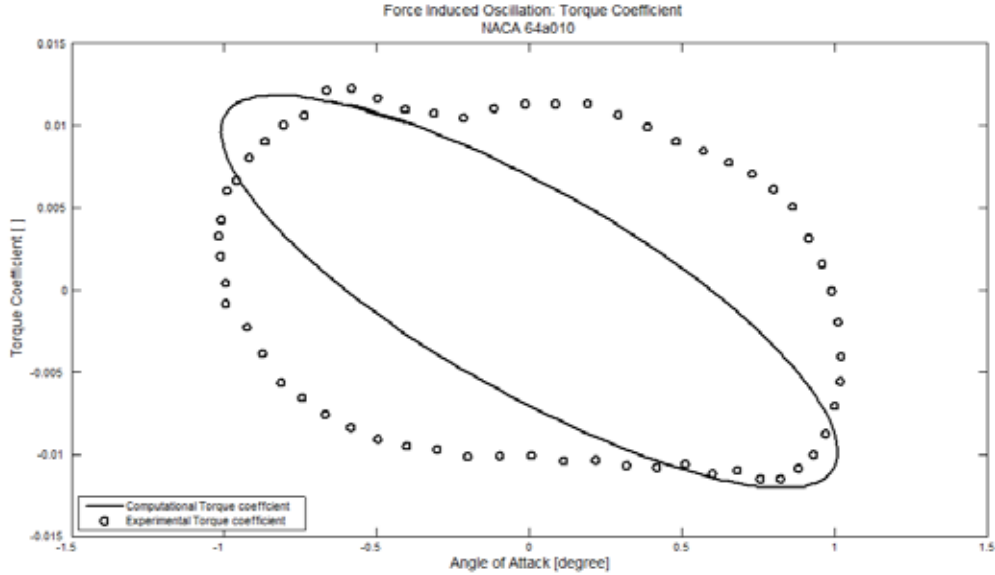


Figure 7.8: Torque coefficient profile of NACA 64a010 for force induced vibrating condition (Case II), at  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $\alpha_A = 1.01$ ,  $K_c = 0.202$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ , and  $M_a = 0.8$

related to steady-state and unsteady-state conditions. The flow and structural parameters corresponding to these results are shown in table 7.3. As shown in figure 7.3, the pressure distribution for NLR 7301 in steady-state condition closely matches with experimental data obtained from Dietz [9]. As shown in figure 7.4, the pressure distribution for NACA 64a010 in forced pitching oscillating condition also matches with experimental data obtained from Davis [33]. The time evolution of the center displacement, lift and drag coefficients of a cylinder in vortex induced oscillating condition, as shown in figures 7.5 and 7.6, are relatively similar to results obtained by Prananta and Bohbot [3], [4], and others. The time evolution of the lift and torque coefficients of NACA 64a010 in force induced oscillating condition, as shown in figures 7.7 and 7.8, coincide with experimental data obtained from Davis [33], but the computed moment coefficient is not as accurate as those for the lift coefficient. Lastly, the description of critical flutter conditions in term of oscillatory motion of shock waves around the structure, as provided in Reference [5], can be confirmed from the

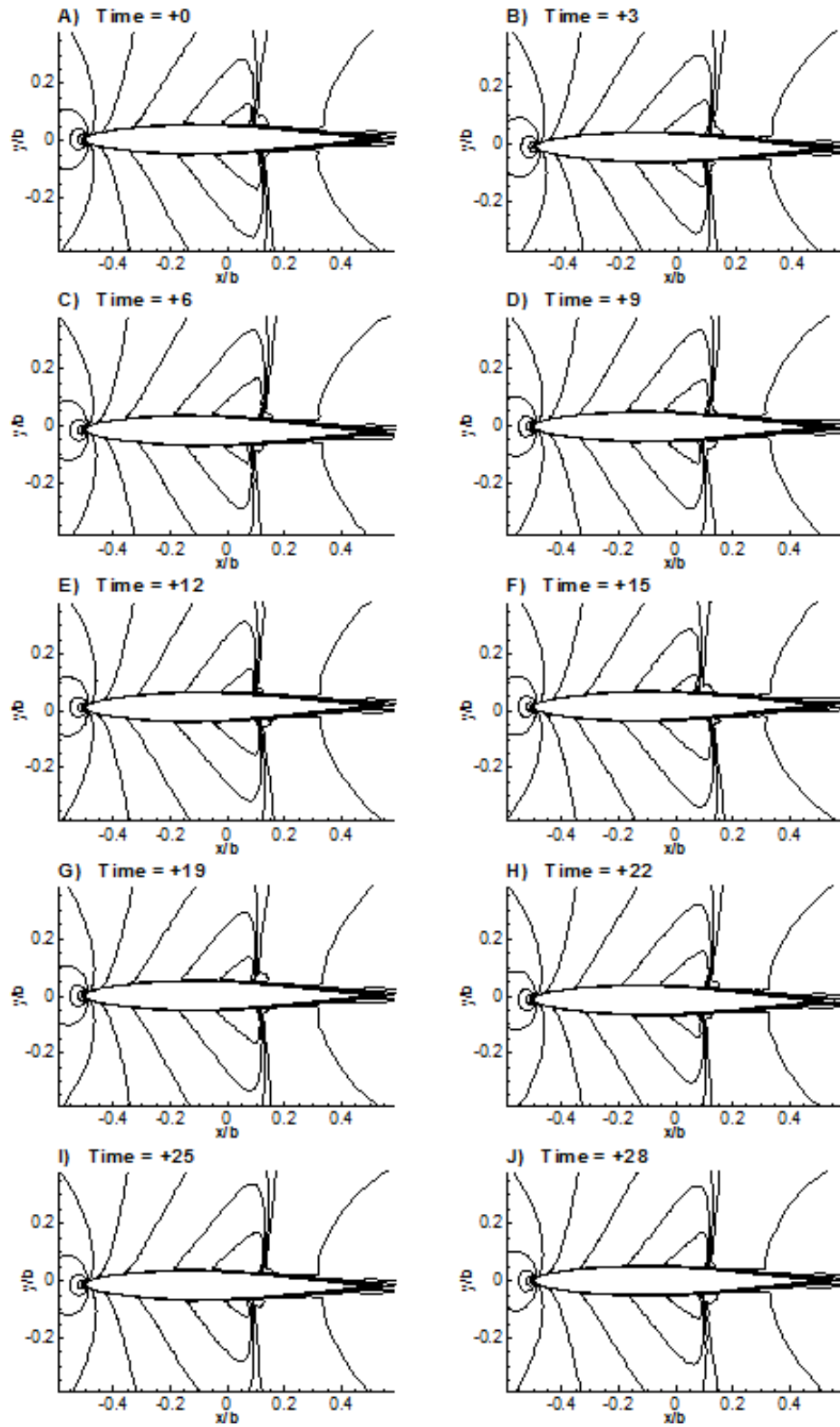


Figure 7.9: Subfigures A to J show the time history of Mach contour plots for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition (Case V) in order to capture oscillatory motion of shock waves



Mach contour plots given in figure 7.9. All these CFD results validate the mesh files used for the CFD simulations of NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301, and they show the consistency of the Baldwin Lomax turbulence model that is used by the CFD solver in computing flow properties.

## 7.5 Results II: LCO and Flutter Cases

Figures 7.10 to 7.17 show the heave and pitching motions of NACA 61a0101 for the damping, critical stable, flutter, and LCO conditions. Figures 7.21, 7.22, 7.18 and 7.22 show the heave and pitching motions of NLR 7301 for flutter and LCO conditions. These results are obtained using input structural parameters using the method of calculations given in Appendix E. Figures 7.20 and 7.23 demonstrate the phase diagram for the LCO oscillations of NLR 7301, as corresponding to figures 7.21 and 7.22. Tables 7.4 and 7.5 provide experimental and computational comparison with the LCO and flutter simulation results.

The time history of the heave and pitching motion of NACA 64a010 for damped, critical flutter, and flutter conditions, as shown in figures 7.10 to 7.15, are consistent with those given in References [36] and [37]. These oscillation plots are obtained by varying the reduced pitch frequency. There exists a critical pitch frequency at which the heave and pitching motions remains constant in amplitude, as shown in figures 7.10 and 7.11. This condition is the called the critical flutter effect [2]. As for the flutter and LCO plots obtained for NLR 7301, as shown in figures 7.18, 7.19, 7.21, and 7.22, they are obtained by varying the initial angle of attack, and keeping the relevant flow properties like Mach number and Reynolds number the same; that is, these flow parameters do not change for cases of different angle of attack.

The limit cycle oscillation (LCO) for both NLR 7301 and NACA 64a010 are shown in figures 7.16, 7.17, 7.21, and 7.22. The appearance of these LCO plots are

consistent with the computational and experimental results in References [11], [17], [9], [10], [12], etc. The physics behind the flow that causes flutter and LCO behavior can be understood in terms of the skin friction and pressure coefficients obtained for both airfoils.

As indicated in table 7.4, the flutter properties that are obtained for case VIII (NLR 7301 in flutter oscillating condition) are consistent with experimental data obtained from Reference [9]. However, as indicated in 7.4, the heave and pitching amplitudes for case IX (NLR 7301 in LCO oscillating condition) are approximately 2 times larger than those for case VIII. This observation serves as a description of the difference between LCO and flutter oscillating conditions for NLR 7301. Also, as indicated in table 7.5, the critical flutter and LCO properties corresponding to cases V and VII are consistent with computational data obtained from Reference [4]. It can also be observed from table 7.5 that the heave and pitching amplitudes for case VII (NACA 64a010 LCO oscillating condition) is approximately 9 and 6 times larger than those for case VI (NACA 64a010 in critical flutter oscillating condition). This observation may also serve as a description of LCO and flutter oscillating conditions for NACA 64a010. Both of these observations provide a general description that LCO amplitudes are relatively larger than flutter amplitudes.

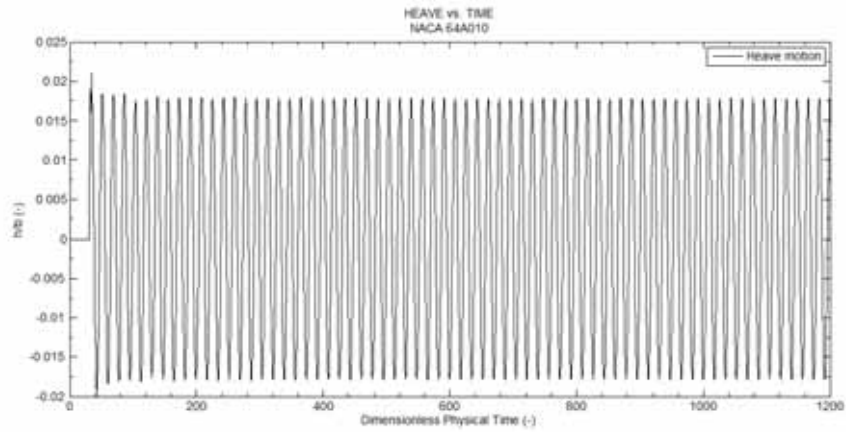


Figure 7.10: Heave oscillation of NACA 64a010 for critical flutter condition (Case V),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$

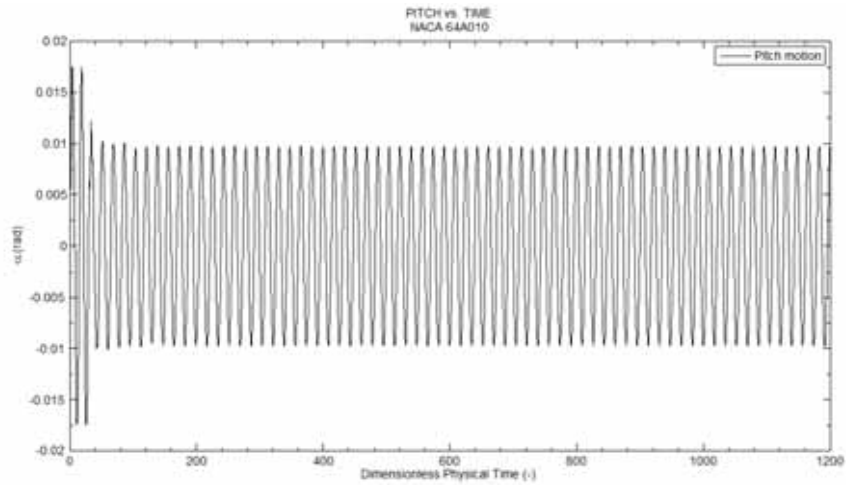


Figure 7.11: Pitch oscillation of NACA 64a010 for critical flutter condition (Case V),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$

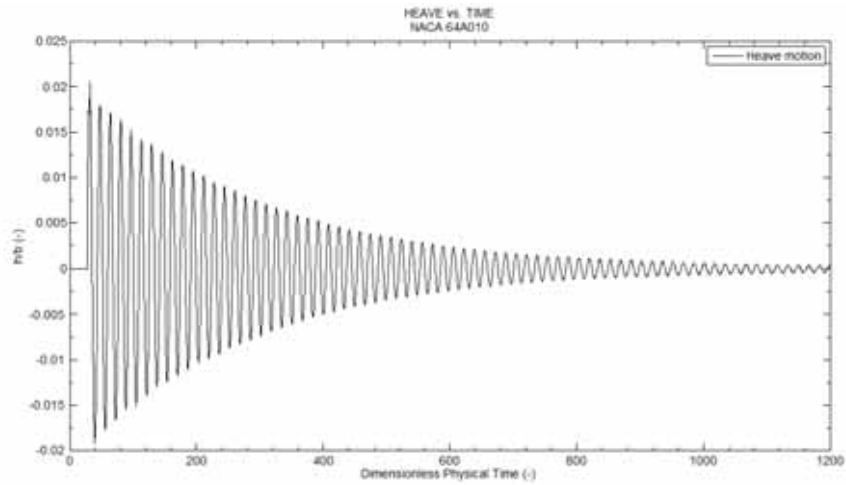


Figure 7.12: Heave oscillation of NACA 64a010 for damping condition (Case IV),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$ .

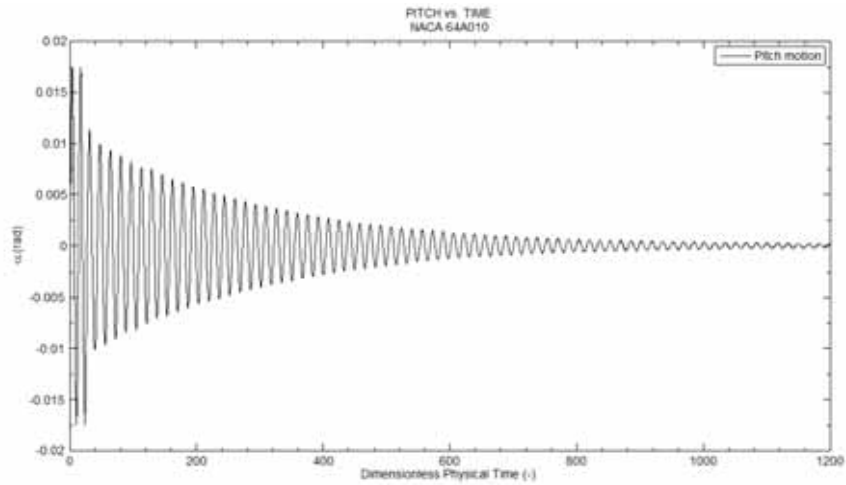


Figure 7.13: Pitch oscillation of NACA 64a010 for damping condition (Case IV),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$ .

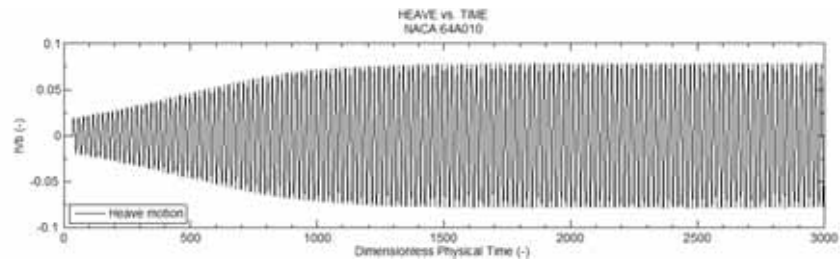


Figure 7.14: Heave oscillation of NACA 64a010 for flutter condition (Case VI),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$ .

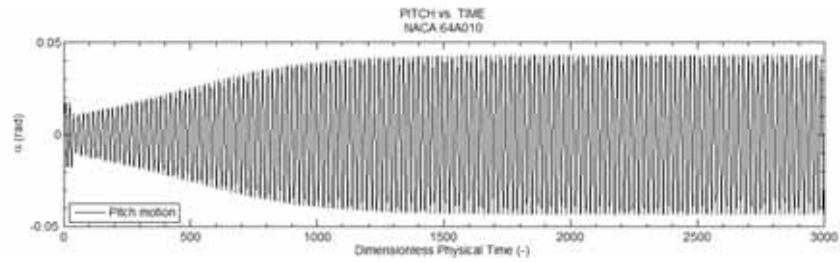


Figure 7.15: Pitch oscillation of NACA 64a010 for flutter condition (Case VI),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.825$ .

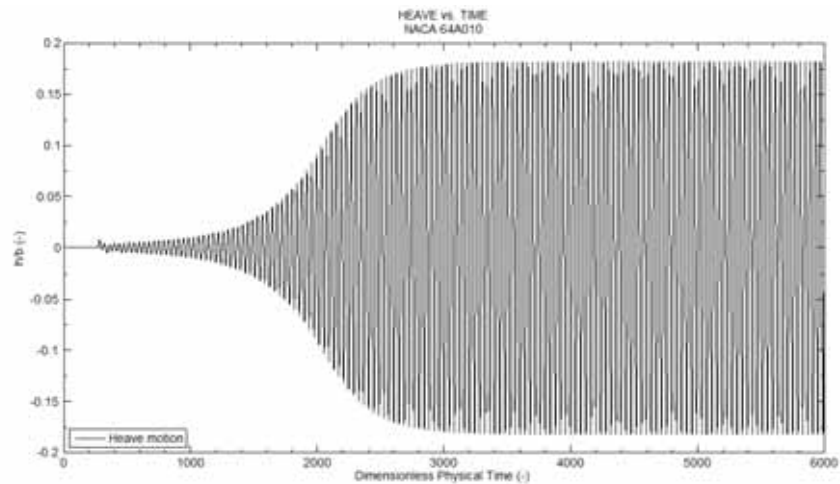


Figure 7.16: Heave oscillation of NACA 64a010 for LCO condition (Case VII),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.925$

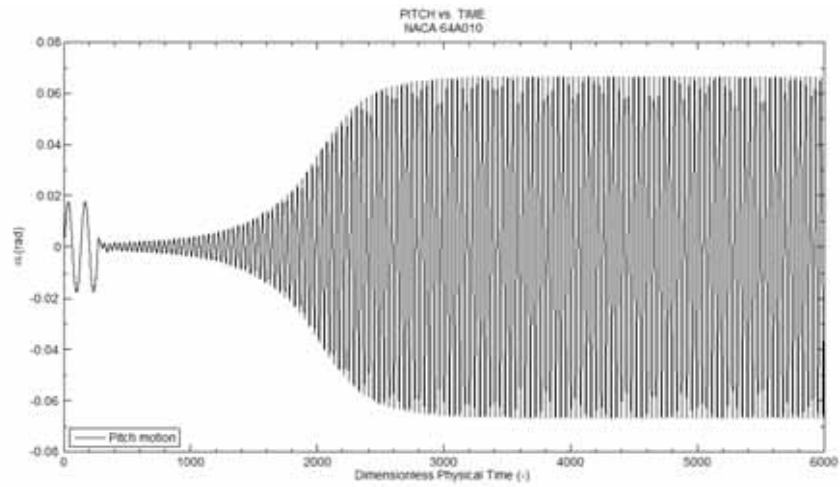


Figure 7.17: Pitch oscillation of NACA 64a010 for LCO condition (Case VII),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 12560000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.925$

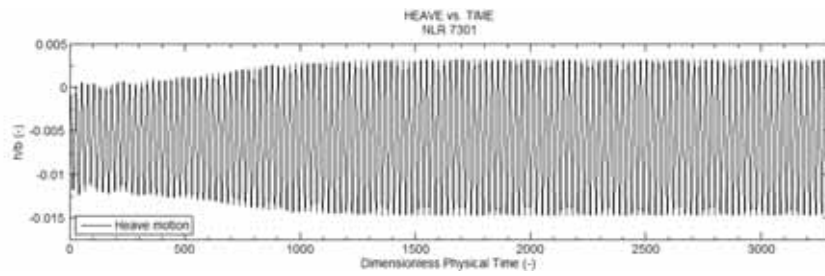


Figure 7.18: Heave oscillation of NLR 7301 for flutter condition (Case VIII),  $\alpha_o = 0.65$ ,  $Re = 1700000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.753$

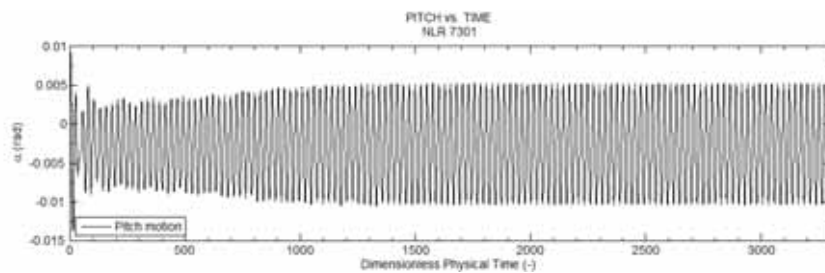


Figure 7.19: Pitch oscillation of NLR 7301 for flutter condition (Case VIII),  $\alpha_o = 0.65$ ,  $Re = 1700000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.753$

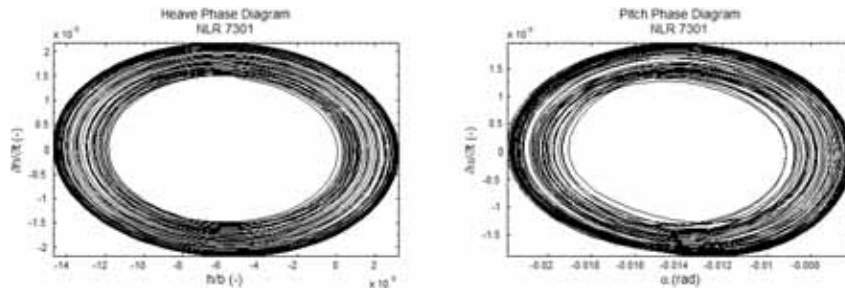


Figure 7.20: Left: Heave phase diagram of NLR 7301 for flutter condition (Case VIII). Right: Pitch phase diagram of NLR 7301 for flutter condition (Case VIII)

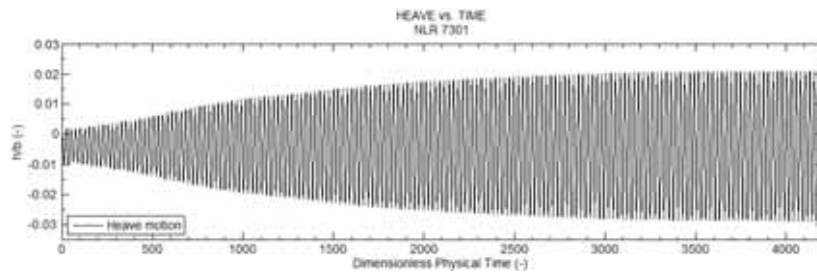


Figure 7.21: Heave oscillation of NLR 7301 for LCO condition (Case IX),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 1700000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.753$

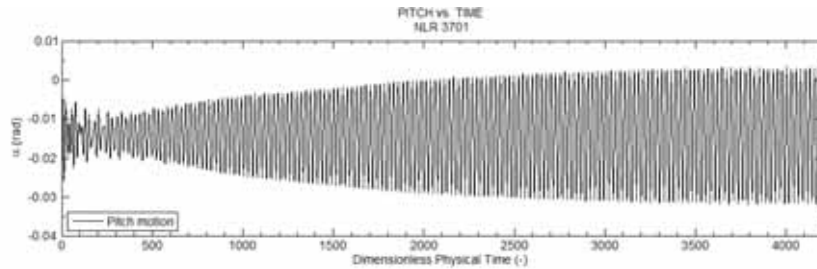


Figure 7.22: Pitch oscillation of NLR 7301 for LCO condition (Case IX),  $\alpha_o = 0.0$ ,  $Re = 1700000.0$ ,  $M_a = 0.753$

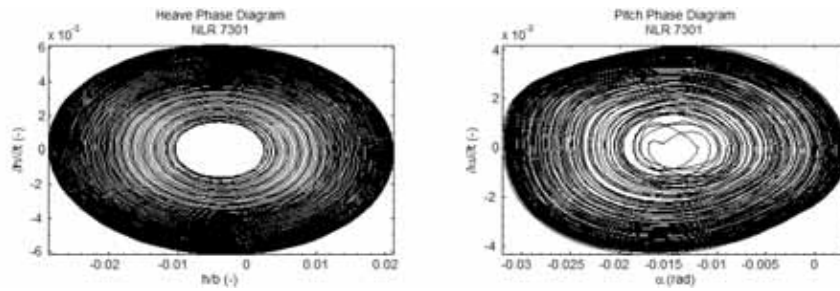


Figure 7.23: Left: Heave phase diagram for NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX). Right: Pitch phase diagram for NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX)

NLR 7301			
Structural and flow parameters	Exp. [9]	Case VIII	Case IX
Reynolds Number: $Re$ (–)	1700000	169500	169500
Mach Number: $Ma$ (–)	0.768	0.77	0.77
Freestream Temperature: $T$ (K)	274	310	310
Stagnation pressure: $P$ (Pa)	45000	45000	45000
Velocity: $U_\infty$ ( $\frac{m}{s}$ )	255	77.17	77.17
Density: $\rho$ ( $\frac{kg}{m^3}$ )	.388	506	506
Initial Angle of Attack: $\alpha_o$ (deg)	1.9	0.65	0.0
Velocity Index: $VI$ (–)	.204	.190	.190
Mass Ratio: $\mu$ (–)	942	1077.2	1077.2
Reduced Pitch Frequency: $\omega_\alpha^*$ (–)	0.242	.320	.320
LCO and Flutter properties			
Percent heave amplitude: $\Delta H/2$ (%)	0.365	0.425	1.25
Pitching amplitude: $\Delta\alpha/2$ (deg)	0.3	0.425	1.0
Mean Lift coefficient: $c_L$ (–)	0.272	.29	.151
Mean Moment coefficient: $c_M$ (–)	–0.082	–0.082	–0.068

Table 7.4: Comparison of Case VIII (flutter) and Case IX (LCO) of NLR 7301 with experimental data available in Reference [9]



NACA 64a010				
<b>Structural and flow parameters</b>	<b>Comp. [4]</b>	<b>Case V</b>	<b>Comp. [4]</b>	<b>Case VII</b>
Reynolds Number: $Re$ (–)	12560000	12560000	12560000	12560000
Mach Number: $M$ (–)	0.825	0.825	0.925	0.925
Initial Angle of Attack: $\alpha_o$ (deg)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mass Ratio: $\mu$ (–)	60	60	60	60
<b>LCO and Flutter properties</b>				
Velocity Index: $VI$ (–)	0.75	0.55	3.5	5.5
Percent heave amplitude: $\Delta H/2$ (%)	–	0.88	–	9.0
Pitching amplitude: $\Delta\alpha/2$ (deg)	–	0.01	–	0.063

Table 7.5: Comparison of Case VIII (flutter) and Case IX (LCO) of NACA 64a010 with experimental data available in Reference [4]

## 7.6 Results III: Skin Friction and Pressure Distributions

Figures 7.24 to 7.39 show the skin friction and time averaged pressure distributions for both NLR 7301 and NACA 64a010 for different unsteady state (flow-induced oscillating) conditions. These plots are obtained from a post-processing code provided in Appendix A. This code basically post-processes the time-dependent results generated by the CFD simulations, and it makes use of library DISLIN which plots the post-processed data. This post-processing code makes use of the Fortran library that evaluates the real-part and imaginary part of the unsteady pressure distributions. More details about this library are provided in Appendix B.

Figures 7.24 to 7.39 show the skin friction and pressure distributions for NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301. The skin friction distribution for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition shows a sharp reduction as approaching the trailing side of both sides of the airfoil, and this drop of skin friction occurs at the same location of both sides of the airfoil. This is consistent with the symmetric aspect of the wing. Since skin friction is reversely proportional to the flow velocity around the airfoil, these figures indicate that the flutter condition for NACA 64a010 is caused by the flow separation on the trailing region of the wing. The corresponding pressure distribution, as shown in figure 7.31, is consistent with this type of skin friction distribution.

Unlike the time averaged pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition, as shown in figure 7.27, the pressure distribution for NACA 64a010 in LCO does not go up and down as it approaches the trailing side. Instead, the LCO pressure distribution seems to increase at a decreasing rate from the leading to the trailing side of the wing. This increasing pressure distribution seems to be compensated by the non-reducing skin friction distribution of NACA 64a010 in LCO condition, as shown in figure 7.28.

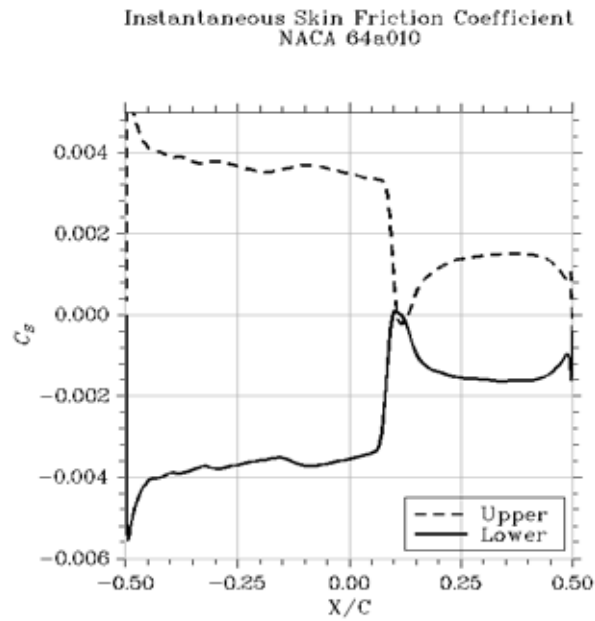


Figure 7.24: Instantaneous Skin friction distribution of NACA 64a010 in flutter oscillating condition (Case V)

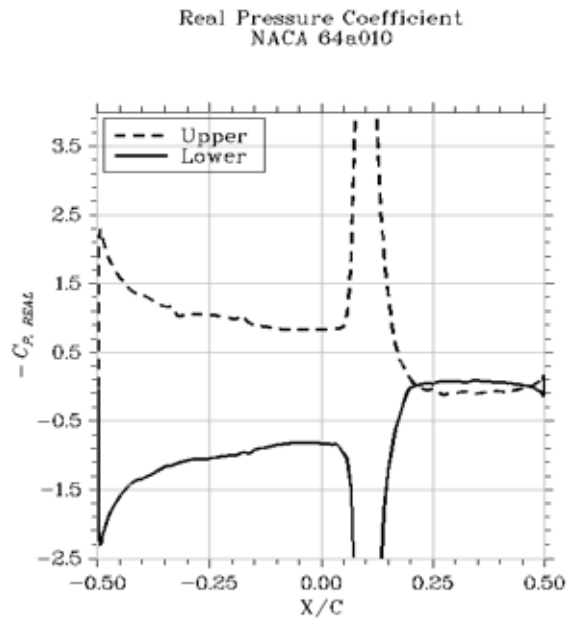


Figure 7.25: Real-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in flutter oscillating condition (Case V)

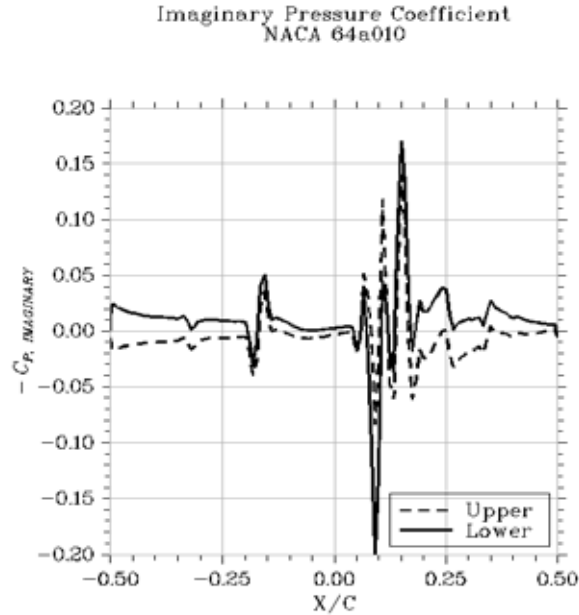


Figure 7.26: Imaginary-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in flutter oscillating condition (Case V)

As shown in figures 7.24, 7.27, 7.36, and 7.39, the skin friction and pressure coefficient of NLR 7301 in LCO condition are similar in characteristic to those for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition. This indicates that the physics that causes LCO condition for NLR 7301 is similar to that of NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition. This could also indicate that the NLR 7301 wing has been designed so that it can support the type of aerodynamic loadings associated with those of NACA 64a010 in flutter condition. However, unlike the pressure distribution for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition, the pressure distribution for NLR 7301 in LCO condition, as shown in figure 7.39, does not show overlapping curves. That is, the pressure distribution of the lower surface of the wing is higher than that of the upper surface. This could indicate that the NLR 7301 wing is designed so that it could be more dynamically stable than conventional wings.

The real and imaginary part of the unsteady time averaged pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in damping condition is much more linear than those of flutter and

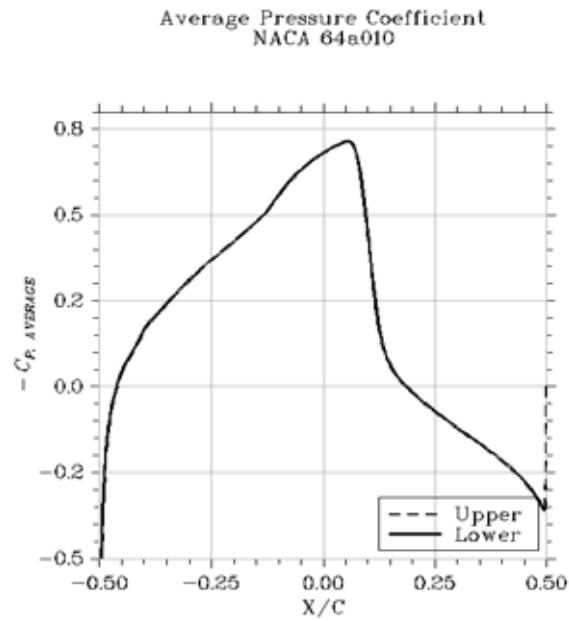


Figure 7.27: Time averaged pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in flutter oscillating condition (Case V)

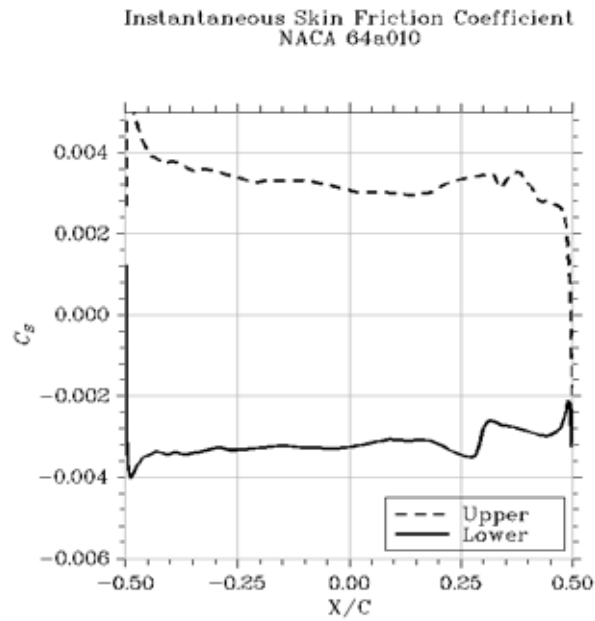


Figure 7.28: Instantaneous skin friction distribution of NACA 64a010 in LCO oscillating condition (Case VII)

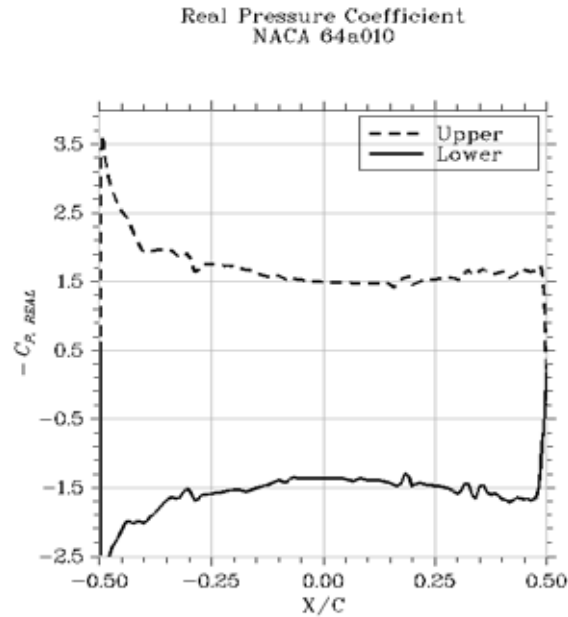


Figure 7.29: Real-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in LCO oscillating condition (Case VI)

LCO behaviors. The real and imaginary part of the unsteady pressure distributions are obtained by using the Fast Fourier transform formula, as described in Reference B.1. These plots could serve as a measure of the variation of the unsteady pressure distribution. Figures 7.25, 7.26, 7.33, and 7.34 indicate that as oscillation is dampen out in time, the time-evolution of the pressure distribution become more linear, so that the real and imaginary-part of the unsteady pressure distribution become more linear. That is, the pressure distribution in time gets closer to the time averaged pressure distribution. The imaginary and real parts of the pressure distribution for NACA 64a010 in critical flutter condition are similar to the results obtained from Davis [33].

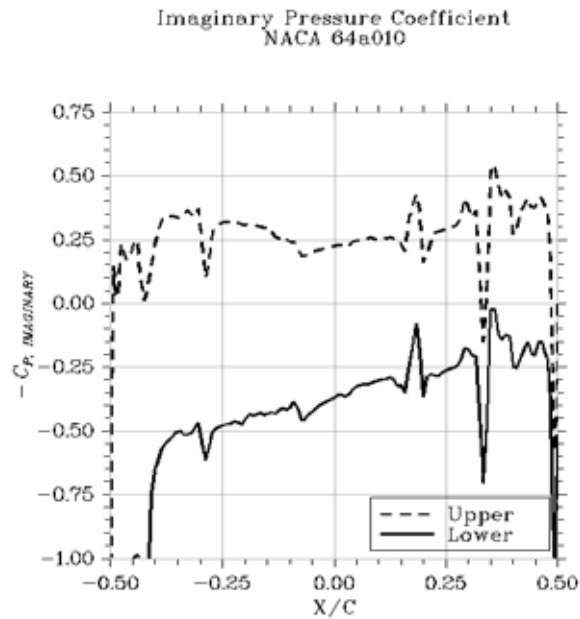


Figure 7.30: Imaginary-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA64a010 in LCO oscillating condition (Case VI)

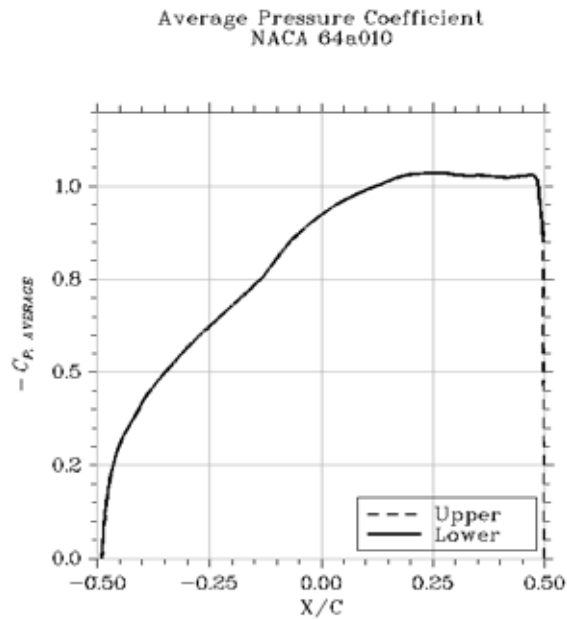


Figure 7.31: Time averaged pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in LCO oscillating condition (Case VI)

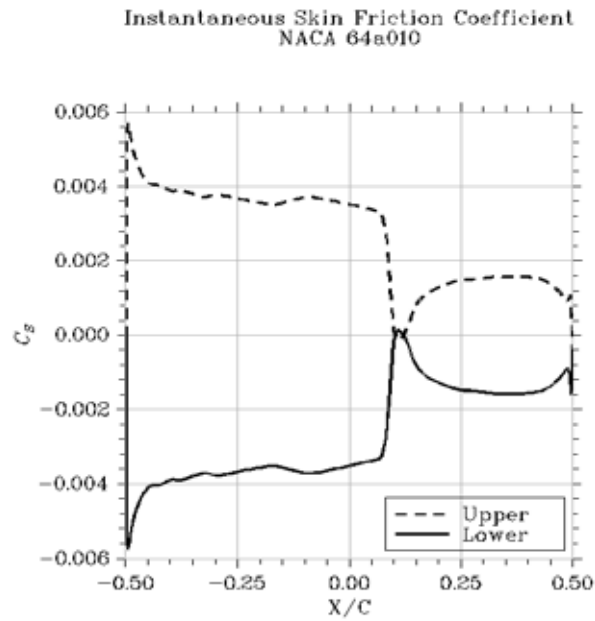


Figure 7.32: Instantaneous skin friction distribution of NACA 64a010 in damped oscillating condition (Case IV)

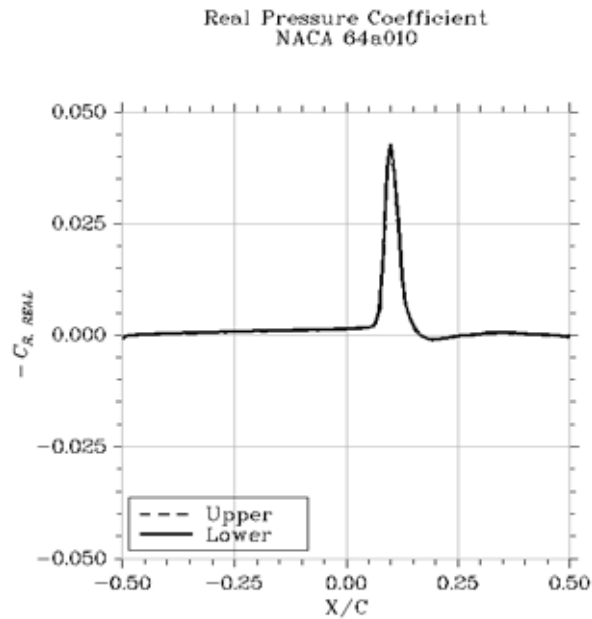


Figure 7.33: Real-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in damped oscillating condition (Case IV)



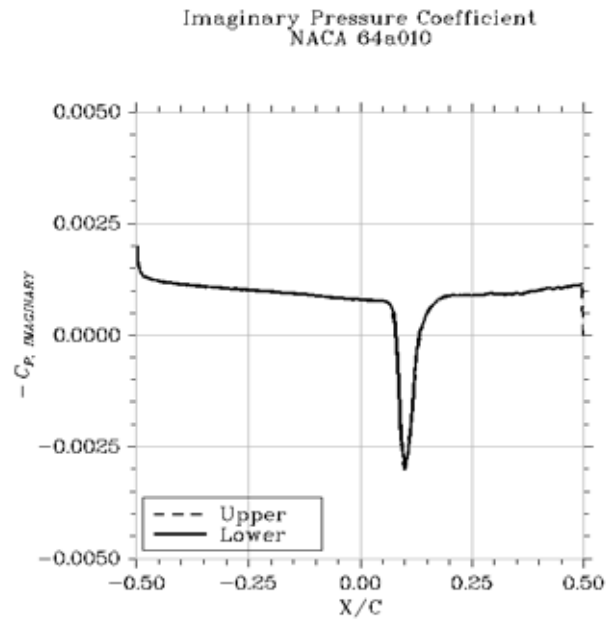


Figure 7.34: Imaginary-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in damped oscillating condition (Case VI)

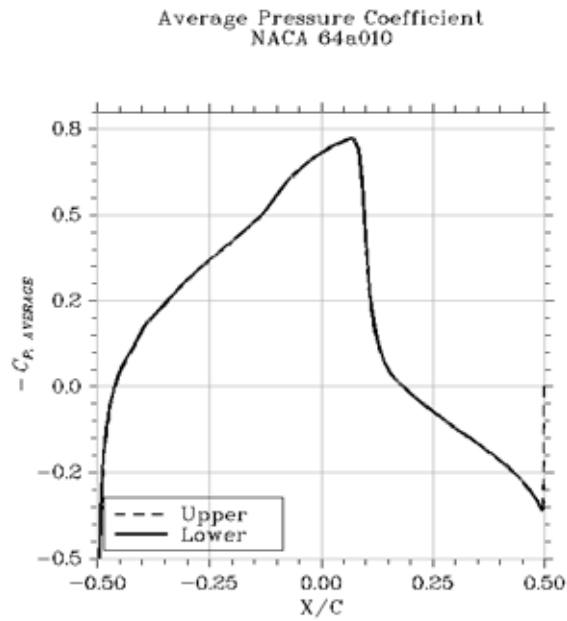


Figure 7.35: Time averaged pressure distribution of NACA 64a010 in damped oscillating condition (Case VI)

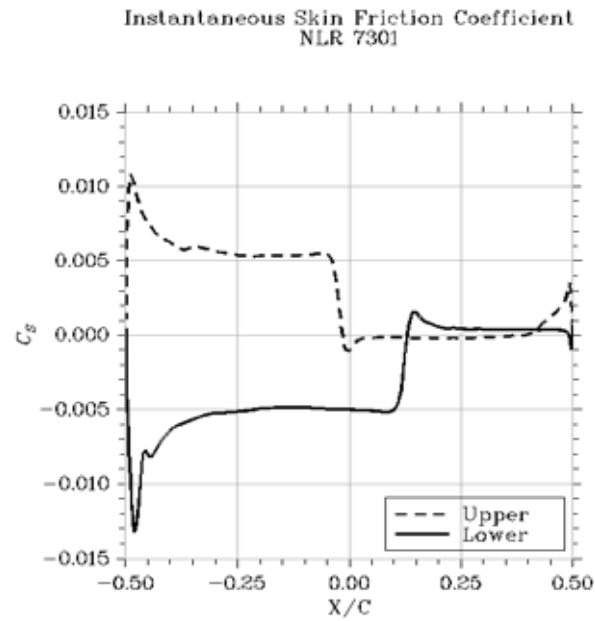


Figure 7.36: Instantaneous skin friction distribution of NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX)

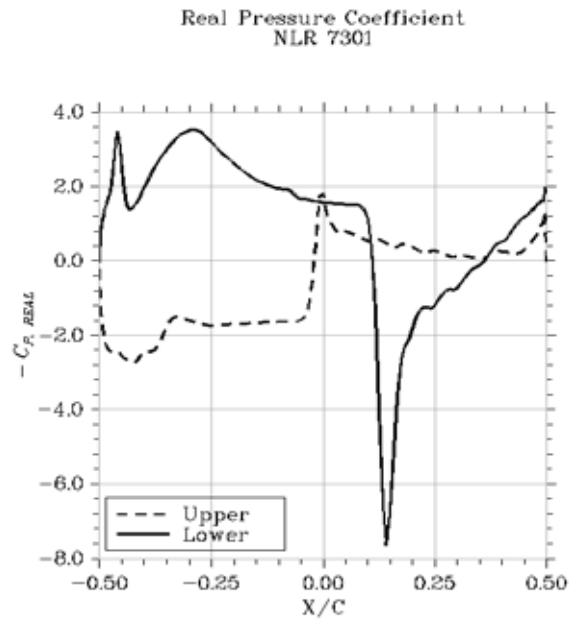


Figure 7.37: Real-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX)

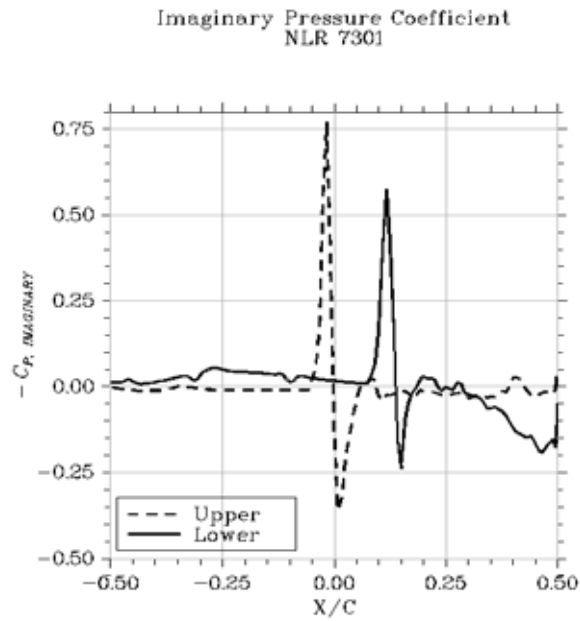


Figure 7.38: Imaginary-part of the unsteady pressure distribution of NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX)

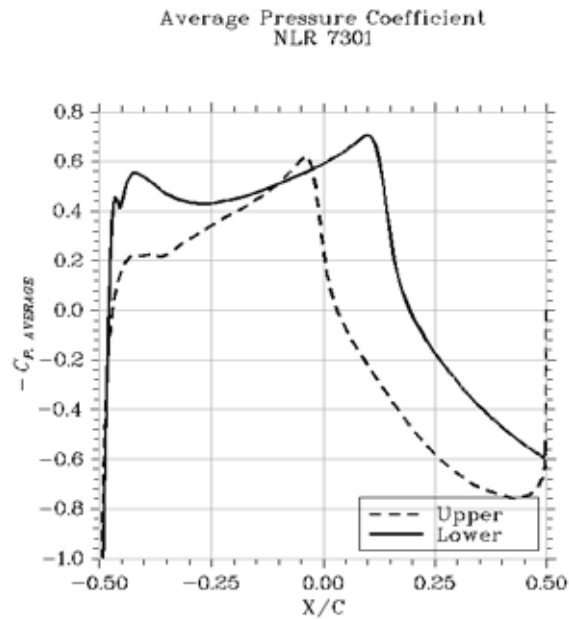


Figure 7.39: Time averaged pressure distribution of NLR 7301 in LCO condition (Case IX)

# Chapter 8

## Conclusion

As shown in the plots given in the previous chapter, the CFD solver is able to capture limit cycle oscillation (LCO) for both the NLR 7301 and NACA 64a010 airfoils. Both the Zha scheme and Roe scheme can be used to obtain these results, but require different flow parameters to obtain similar results. It has been observed though, that the CFD solver can be run with the Zha scheme using a Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy (CFL) value of 1.0. On the other hand, the Roe scheme could be used with CFL values that are either higher or lower than 1.0. Since the Roe scheme does not have this CFL constraint, it is ultimately used to obtain both the flutter and LCO behaviors for both the NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 airfoils, as well as the results to validate the CFD solver and the mesh grid of both airfoils.

The results obtained from these CFD simulations provide an understanding of the LCO and flutter behaviors for both the NACA 64a010 and NLR 7301 wing. The surface pressure distribution and the skin friction distribution helps in understanding the physics of these two flow behaviors. The understanding of the CFD simulation process to capture LCO and flutter behaviors for both the NACA 64a010 and the NLR 7301 airfoils, and also, the knowledge of the flow and structural parameters that are required to obtain these aeroelastic plots, could serve as an indispensable

guideline for future CFD studies of LCO using two and three dimensional geometries.

# Appendix A

## CFD Post-Processing Code

The skin friction coefficient and unsteady pressure distribution plots displayed in section 7.6 are all generated using a post-processing code made by the author of this report. This code is written in FORTRAN 77, and it makes use of non-commercial plotting library called DISLIN<sup>©</sup>. This is an advanced plotting library that is available at the website <http://www.mps.mpg.de/dislin/>. This code also makes use of another Fortran library called SSL2<sup>©</sup>. This is a library that provides various advanced mathematical subroutines. Specifically, it performs Fourier interpolations of time dependent data, such as the CFD unsteady time-dependent fluid flow parameters. This library is used to obtain the imaginary and real part of the unsteady pressure distribution. The output that is generated by this code is plotted using the DISLIN plotting library. This code is documented in the following section.

### A.1 Code: `cdlt_all.f90`

```
cdlt_all.f90
1  PROGRAM CDLT_ALL
2
3  USE DISLIN
4  IMPLICIT NONE
5  INTEGER, PARAMETER :: N=281, NN=141, M=280, &
6  TIME_STEPS=500
7  DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(N) :: Y11, Y12, Y13, &
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8      Y14, Y15, Y16, Y17, Y18, Y19
9      DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(M) :: Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, &
10     Y5, Y6, Y7, Y8, Y9, Y110, Y111
11     DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(TIME_STEPS, M):: Z1, &
12     Z2, Z3, Z4, Z5, Z6, Z7, Z8, Z9, Z110, Z111
13     DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(TIME_STEPS,N):: Z11, &
14     Z12, Z13, Z14, Z15
15     DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(M) :: THETA2, THETA3
16     DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(TIME_STEPS, M):: THETA3Z
17     DOUBLE PRECISION, DIMENSION(N) :: X1, X2, X11
18     REAL, DIMENSION (NN) :: XRAY,Y1RAY,Y2RAY, Y3RAY, &
19     Y4RAY, Y5RAY, Y7RAY, Y8RAY, Y9RAY
20     REAL, DIMENSION (NN) :: Y01RAY, Y02RAY, Y03RAY, &
21     Y04RAY, Y07RAY,Y08RAY, Y09RAY
22
23     REAL, DIMENSION (TIME_STEPS, NN) :: XRAYZ,Y1RAYZ, &
24     Y2RAYZ, Y3RAYZ, Y4RAYZ,Y5RAYZ, Y7RAYZ, Y8RAYZ, Y9RAYZ
25     REAL, DIMENSION (TIME_STEPS, NN) :: Y01RAYZ, Y02RAYZ, &
26     Y03RAYZ, Y04RAYZ,Y07RAYZ, Y08RAYZ, Y09RAYZ
27
28     REAL, DIMENSION (NN) :: X11RAY, X22RAY
29     DOUBLE PRECISION :: DUM1, DUM2, DUM3, DUM4, DUM5, &
30     DUM6, DX, DX2
31     REAL, PARAMETER :: PI=3.1415926
32     REAL :: FPI,STEP,X
33     INTEGER :: I,J, K, II, IC, I2, I3, IJ, I21, &
34     FLAG, ISN, JJ, ICONN
35     CHARACTER (LEN=20) FILENAME1, LINESS, CBUF*24
36     CHARACTER (LEN=20) FILENAME2, FILENAME3
37
38     REAL, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:, :) :: Y7COFF1, Y07COFF1, &
39     Y7COFF2, Y07COFF2, &
40     Y8COFF1, Y8COFF2, Y08COFF1, Y08COFF2
41     REAL, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:) :: A
42     REAL, ALLOCATABLE, DIMENSION(:, :) :: AA
43     FPI=PI/180.
44     STEP=360./(N-1)
45
46     CALL METAF1('EPS')
47     CALL PAGE (2000, 2000)
48     WRITE(FILENAME1, ' ("cdlt_all.his")')
49     OPEN(UNIT = 1, FILE = FILENAME1, FORM = 'UNFORMATTED', &
50     ACTION = 'READ', STATUS = 'OLD')
51
52     WRITE(FILENAME2, ' ("ch_nlr")')
53     OPEN(UNIT = 2, FILE = FILENAME2, FORM = 'FORMATTED', &
54     ACTION = 'READ', STATUS = 'OLD')

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55
56 WRITE(FILENAME3, '("ch_nlr"')
57 OPEN(UNIT = 3, FILE = FILENAME3, FORM = 'FORMATTED', &
58 ACTION = 'READ', STATUS = 'OLD')
59
60
61 ! Reading x-wise position for plots.
62
63 DO I = 1, 281
64 READ(2,300) X11(I)
65 ENDDO
66 DO J =1, 141
67 X11RAY(J)= REAL(X11(J))
68 X22RAY(J)= REAL(X11(J+140))
69 END DO
70
71 ! Start main time iteration loop
72 DO I = 1, TIME_STEPS
73
74 ! Several input parameters are read
75 READ(1) (Y1(J), J=1,280)
76 DO k = 1, 280
77 Z1(I,k)= Y1(k)
78 END DO
79
80 READ(1) (Y2(J), J=1,280)
81 DO k = 1, 280
82 Z2(I,k)= Y2(k)
83 END DO
84
85 READ(1) (Y3(J), J=1,280)
86 DO k = 1, 280
87 Z3(I,k)= Y3(k)
88 END DO
89
90 READ(1) (Y4(J), J=1,280)
91 DO k = 1, 280
92 Z4(I,k)= Y4(k)
93 END DO
94
95 READ(1) (Y5(J), J=1,280)
96 DO k = 1, 280
97 Z5(I,k)= Y5(k)
98 END DO
99
100 READ(1) (Y6(J), J=1,280)
101 DO k = 1, 280
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102     Z6(I,k) = Y6(k)
103     END DO
104
105     READ(1) (Y7(J), J=1,280)
106     DO k = 1, 280
107     Z7(I,k) = Y7(k)
108     END DO
109
110     READ(1) (Y11(J), J=1,281)
111     DO k = 1, 281
112     Z11(I,k) = Y11(k)
113     END DO
114
115     READ(1) (Y12(J), J=1,281)
116     DO k = 1, 281
117     Z12(I,k) = Y12(k)
118     END DO
119
120     READ(1) (Y13(J), J=1,281)
121     DO k = 1, 281
122     Z13(I,k) = Y13(k)
123     END DO
124
125     !   Converting pressure coefficient, Y11, from double precision
126     !   to real type
127
128     DO k =1,141
129     Y7RAYZ(i,k)=REAL(Y11(k))
130     Y07RAYZ(i,k)=REAL(Y11(k+140))
131     Y7RAYZ(i,k)=-2.*(Y7RAYZ(i,k)-1.)
132     Y07RAYZ(i,k)=-2.*(Y07RAYZ(i,k)-1.)
133     END DO
134
135     !   Angular projection of line perpendicular to wing surface,
136     !   positive counterclockwise.
137
138     DO J = 1, 280
139     DX2 = Y12(J+1) - Y12(J)
140     IF (DX2.GT.0.) THEN
141     THETA3(J) = ATAN((Y13(J+1)-Y13(J))/(Y12(J+1)-Y12(J)))
142     ELSE
143     THETA3(J) = ATAN((Y13(J)-Y13(J-1))/(Y12(J)-Y12(J-1)))
144     ENDIF
145     END DO
146     DO k = 1, 280
147     THETA3Z(I,k)=THETA3(k)
148     END DO

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149
150     IJ = 0
151     DO J = 1,280
152     IJ = IJ + 1
153     DX = X11(IJ+1)-X11(IJ)
154
155     IF(DX.LT.0) THEN
156
157     ! Shear Stress in the x-direction
158     Y110(J) = -(Y1(J)-Y5(J))*sin(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J))+&
159     Y3(J)*(cos(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J)) -&
160     sin(THETA3(J))*sin(THETA3(J)))
161
162     ! Shear Stress in the y-direction
163     Y111(J) = Y1(J)*cos(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J))+&
164     Y5(J)*sin(THETA3(J))*sin(THETA3(J))+&
165     2.*Y3(J)*cos(THETA3(J))*SIN(THETA3(J))
166
167     ! Multiplication of shear stresses by negative sign
168     Y110(J) = Y110(J)
169     Y111(J) = Y111(J)
170
171     ELSE
172
173     ! Shear stresses in the x-direction
174     Y110(J) = -(Y1(J)-Y5(J))*sin(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J))+&
175     Y3(J)*(cos(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J)) -&
176     sin(THETA3(J))*sin(THETA3(J)))
177
178     ! Shear stresses in the y-direction
179     Y111(J) = Y1(J)*cos(THETA3(J))*cos(THETA3(J))+&
180     Y5(J)*sin(THETA3(J))*sin(THETA3(J))+&
181     2.*Y3(J)*cos(THETA3(J))*SIN(THETA3(J))
182
183     ENDIF
184     END DO
185
186     DO k=1,280
187     Z110(I,J)=Y110(J)
188     Z111(I,J)=Y111(J)
189     END DO
190
191     DO J = 1, 141
192     IF (J.EQ.1) THEN
193     Y8RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(1)+Y110(280)))
194     ELSE
195     IF(J.EQ.141) THEN

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196     Y8RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(141)+Y110(140)))
197     ELSE
198     Y8RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(J)+Y110(J-1)))
199     END IF
200     END IF
201     END DO
202
203     II = 1
204     DO J = 141, 281
205     IF (J.EQ.141) THEN
206     Y08RAY(I) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(140)+Y110(141)))
207     II = II + 1
208     ELSE
209     IF(J.EQ.281) THEN
210     Y08RAY(II) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(280)+Y110(1)))
211     II = II + 1
212     ELSE
213     Y08RAY(II) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y110(J)+Y110(J-1)))
214     II = II + 1
215     END IF
216     END IF
217     END DO
218
219     DO J = 1, 141
220     IF (J.EQ.1) THEN
221     Y9RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(1)+Y111(280)))
222     ELSE
223     IF(J.EQ.141) THEN
224     Y9RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(141)+Y111(140)))
225     ELSE
226     Y9RAY(J) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(J)+Y111(J-1)))
227     END IF
228     END IF
229     END DO
230
231     II = 1
232     DO J = 141, 281
233     IF (J.EQ.141) THEN
234     Y09RAY(I) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(140)+Y111(141)))
235     II = II + 1
236     ELSE
237     IF(J.EQ.281) THEN
238     Y09RAY(II) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(280)+Y111(1)))
239     II = II + 1
240     ELSE
241     Y09RAY(II) = 2.*REAL(.5*(Y111(J)+Y111(J-1)))
242     II = II + 1
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243     END IF
244     END IF
245     END DO
246
247 ! Store non-time-dependent Y8, Y08, Y9, Y09 on
248 ! time-dependent parameters
249
250     DO k=1,141
251     Y8RAYZ(I,k)=Y8RAY(k)
252     Y08RAYZ(I,k)=Y08RAY(k)
253     Y9RAYZ(I,k)=Y9RAY(k)
254     Y09RAYZ(I,k)=Y09RAY(k)
255     END DO
256
257 ! End of main time iteration loop
258
259     END DO
260
261 ! Calculate time steps that's required for FT
262 ! analysis subroutine.
263
264     I3 = 0
265     FLAG = 0
266     DO WHILE (FLAG.NE.1)
267     I3 = I3 + 1
268     I2 = 2**I3
269     IF (I2.GT.TIME_STEPS.OR.I2.EQ.TIME_STEPS) THEN
270     IF (I2.EQ.TIME_STEPS) THEN
271     FLAG = 1
272     END IF
273     IF (I2.GT.TIME_STEPS) THEN
274     FLAG = 1
275     I3 = I3 - 1
276     I2 = 2**I3
277     END IF
278     END IF
279     END DO
280
281     ALLOCATE (A(I2))
282     ALLOCATE (AA(I2,141))
283
284 ! Calculate FT output for upper surface of wing
285
286     DO J = 1, 141
287     DO k=1,I2
288     A(k)=Y07RAYZ(k,J)
289     ENDDO

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290     ISN = 1
291     I21 = I2/2 - 1
292     CALL RFT(A,I2,ISN,ICONN)
293     DO k = 1, I2
294     AA(k,J) = A(k)
295     END DO
296     END DO
297
298     ALLOCATE (Y07COFF1(I21,141))
299     ALLOCATE (Y07COFF2(I21, 141))
300
301 ! Store FT output on time-dependent variables
302
303     jj = 1
304     DO J = 1, 141
305     DO k=1,I21
306     Y07COFF1(k,J)=AA(2*k+1,J)
307     Y07COFF2(k,J)=AA(2*k+2,J)
308     jj = jj + 1
309     END DO
310     END DO
311
312 ! Calculate FT output for lower surface of wing
313
314     DO J = 1, 141
315     DO k=1,I2
316     A(k)=Y7RAYZ(k,J)
317     ENDDO
318     ISN = 1
319     I21 = I2/2 - 1
320     CALL RFT(A,I2,ISN,ICONN)
321     DO k = 1, I2
322     AA(k,J) = A(k)
323     END DO
324     END DO
325
326     ALLOCATE (Y7COFF1(I21,141))
327     ALLOCATE (Y7COFF2(I21,141))
328
329 ! Store FT output on time-dependent variables
330
331     DO J = 1, 141
332     DO k=1,I21
333     Y7COFF1(k,J)=AA(2*k+1,J)
334     Y7COFF2(k,J)=AA(2*k+2,J)
335     END DO
336     END DO

```

```
337
338 100     FORMAT(280(e20.14,1x))
339 200     FORMAT(281(e20.14,1x))
340 300     FORMAT(E20.14)
341
342 !       Plot of Skin Coefficients
343
344     CALL DISINI()
345     CALL COMPLX()
346     CALL AXSPOS(450,1800)
347     CALL AXSLEN(1200,1200)
348     CALL CHNCRV('LINE')
349     CALL NAME('Chord Position X/C','X')
350     CALL NAME('Skin Friction Coefficient ','Y')
351
352     CALL LABDIG(2,'X')
353     CALL LABDIG(3,'Y')
354     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
355     CALL TICKS(10,'XY')
356
357     CALL LEGINI(CBUF,2,8)
358     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Lower Cp',1)
359     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Upper Cp',2)
360     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
361     CALL TITLIN('Skin Friction Coefficient',1)
362     CALL TITLIN('NLR 7301',2)
363     IC=INTRGB(1.,1.,1.)
364     CALL AXSBGD(IC)
365
366     CALL GRAF(-.5,.5,-.5,.25,&
367     -.008,.008,-.008,.001)
368     CALL SETRGB(0.7,0.7,0.7)
369     CALL GRID(1,1)
370
371     CALL COLOR('FORE')
372     CALL TITLE()
373
374     DO k=1,141
375     Y8RAY(k)=Y8RAYZ(TIME_STEPS,k)
376     Y08RAY(k)=Y08RAYZ(TIME_STEPS,k)
377     END DO
378
379     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
380     CALL CURVE(X11RAY,Y8RAY,141)
381     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
382     CALL CURVE(X22RAY,Y08RAY,141)
383     CALL LEGEND(CBUF,5)
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384     CALL DISFIN()
385
386 !   Plot of Pressure Coefficients
387
388     CALL DISINI()
389     CALL COMPLX()
390     CALL AXSPOS(450,1800)
391     CALL AXSLEN(1200,1200)
392     CALL CHNCRV('LINE')
393     CALL NAME('Chord Position X/C','X')
394     CALL NAME('Pressure Coefficient ','Y')
395
396     CALL LABDIG(2,'X')
397     CALL LABDIG(2,'Y')
398     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
399     CALL TICKS(10,'XY')
400
401     CALL LEGINI(CBUF,2,8)
402     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Lower Cp',1)
403     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Upper Cp',2)
404     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
405     CALL TITLIN('Pressure Coefficient',1)
406     CALL TITLIN('NLR 7301',2)
407     IC=INTRGB(1.,1.,1.)
408     CALL AXSBGD(IC)
409
410     CALL GRAF(-.5,.5,-.5,.25,&
411     -.5,1.,-.5,.25)
412     CALL SETRGB(0.7,0.7,0.7)
413     CALL GRID(1,1)
414
415     CALL COLOR('FORE')
416     CALL TITLE()
417
418     DO k=1,141
419     Y7RAY(k)=Y7RAYZ(TIME_STEPS,k)
420     Y07RAY(k)=Y07RAYZ(TIME_STEPS,k)
421     END DO
422
423     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
424     CALL CURVE(X11RAY,Y7RAY,141)
425     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
426     CALL CURVE(X22RAY,Y07RAY,141)
427     CALL LEGEND(CBUF,5)
428     CALL DISFIN()
429
430 !   Plot of Real Pressure Distribution
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```
431
432     CALL DISINI ()
433     CALL COMPLX ()
434     CALL AXSPOS (450,1800)
435     CALL AXSLEN (1200,1200)
436     CALL CHNCRV ('LINE')
437     CALL NAME ('Chord Position X/C', 'X')
438     CALL NAME ('Real Pressure Coefficient ', 'Y')
439
440     CALL LABDIG (2, 'X')
441     CALL LABDIG (1, 'Y')
442     CALL LEGTIT (' ')
443     CALL TICKS (10, 'XY')
444
445     CALL LEGINI (CBUF, 2, 8)
446     CALL LEGLIN (CBUF, 'Lower Cp', 1)
447     CALL LEGLIN (CBUF, 'Upper Cp', 2)
448     CALL LEGTIT (' ')
449     CALL TITLIN ('Real Pressure Coefficient', 1)
450     CALL TITLIN ('NLR 7301', 2)
451     IC=INTRGB (1., 1., 1.)
452     CALL AXSBGD (IC)
453
454     CALL GRAF (-.5, .5, -.5, .25, &
455     -18., 16., -18., 2.)
456     CALL SETRGB (0.7, 0.7, 0.7)
457     CALL GRID (1, 1)
458
459     CALL COLOR ('FORE')
460     CALL TITLE ()
461
462     DO k=1, 141
463     Y7RAY (k)=Y7COFF1 (2, k)
464     Y07RAY (k)=Y07COFF1 (2, k)
465     END DO
466
467     CALL SETRGB (0., 0., 0.)
468     CALL CURVE (X11RAY, Y7RAY, 141)
469     CALL SETRGB (0., 0., 0.)
470     CALL CURVE (X22RAY, Y07RAY, 141)
471     CALL LEGEND (CBUF, 5)
472     CALL DISFIN ()
473
474     ! Plot of Imaginary Pressure Distribution
475
476     CALL DISINI ()
477     CALL COMPLX ()
```



```
478      CALL AXSPOS(450,1800)
479      CALL AXSLEN(1200,1200)
480      CALL CHNCRV('LINE')
481      CALL NAME('Chord Position X/C','X')
482      CALL NAME('Imaginary Pressure Coefficient ','Y')
483
484      CALL LABDIG(2,'X')
485      CALL LABDIG(1,'Y')
486      CALL LEGTIT(' ')
487      CALL TICKS(10,'XY')
488
489      CALL LEGINI(CBUF,2,8)
490      CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Lower Cp',1)
491      CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Upper Cp',2)
492      CALL LEGTIT(' ')
493      CALL TITLIN('Imaginary Pressure Coefficient',1)
494      CALL TITLIN('NLR 7301',2)
495      IC=INTRGB(1.,1.,1.)
496      CALL AXSBGD(IC)
497
498      CALL GRAF(-.5,.5,-.5,.25,&
499      -8.,8.,-8.,2.)
500      CALL SETRGB(0.7,0.7,0.7)
501      CALL GRID(1,1)
502
503      CALL COLOR('FORE')
504      CALL TITLE()
505
506      DO k=1,141
507      Y7RAY(k)=Y7COFF2(2,k)
508      Y07RAY(k)=Y07COFF2(2,k)
509      END DO
510
511      CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
512      CALL CURVE(X11RAY,Y7RAY,141)
513      CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
514      CALL CURVE(X22RAY,Y07RAY,141)
515      CALL LEGEND(CBUF,5)
516      CALL DISFIN()
517
518      ! Plot of Mean Pressure Distribution
519
520      CALL DISINI()
521      CALL COMPLX()
522      CALL AXSPOS(450,1800)
523      CALL AXSLEN(1200,1200)
524      CALL CHNCRV('LINE')
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525     CALL NAME('Chord Position X/C','X')
526     CALL NAME('Mean Pressure Coefficient ','Y')
527
528     CALL LABDIG(2,'X')
529     CALL LABDIG(1,'Y')
530     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
531     CALL TICKS(10,'XY')
532
533     CALL LEGINI(CBUF,2,8)
534     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Lower Cp',1)
535     CALL LEGLIN(CBUF,'Upper Cp',2)
536     CALL LEGTIT(' ')
537     CALL TITLIN('Mean Pressure Coefficient',1)
538     CALL TITLIN('NLR 7301',2)
539     IC=INTRGB(1.,1.,1.)
540     CALL AXSBGD(IC)
541
542     CALL GRAF(-.5,.5,-.5,.25,&
543     -18.,16.,-18.,2.)
544     CALL SETRGB(0.7,0.7,0.7)
545     CALL GRID(1,1)
546
547     CALL COLOR('FORE')
548     CALL TITLE()
549
550     DO k=1,141
551     Y7RAY(k)=Y7COFF1(1,k)
552     Y07RAY(k)=Y07COFF1(1,k)
553     Y7RAY(k)= Y7RAY(k)
554     Y07RAY(k)=Y07RAY(k)
555     END DO
556
557     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
558     CALL CURVE(X11RAY,Y7RAY,141)
559     CALL SETRGB(0.,0.,0.)
560     CALL CURVE(X22RAY,Y07RAY,141)
561     CALL LEGEND(CBUF,5)
562     CALL DISFIN()
563
564     STOP
565     END PROGRAM CDLT_ALL
566
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cdlt\_all.f90

# Appendix B

## The Scientific Subroutine Library

A commercial Fortran math library, called SSL2 is employed for performing a Fourier interpolation of the time dependent CFD data, like the pressure, lift and moment coefficients [38]. Basically, this is a Fortran library that is installed for usage in Fortran codes. *Discrete Fourier Transform* is the name of the particular subroutine burrowed from this library. The procedure of using this subroutine is available in its manual, which could be found at [http://www.lahey.com/docs/ssl2\\_lin62.pdf](http://www.lahey.com/docs/ssl2_lin62.pdf).

### B.1 The Discrete Fourier Transform Subroutine

In chapter 7.3, the real and imaginary components of the Fourier interpolation of time dependent CFD data are plotted. As mentioned above, this is done by a Fortran subroutine named *Discrete Fourier Transformation* that is available in a Fortran scientific subroutine library. The input that is needed for the DFT subroutine is basically an array of time dependent data such as the flow coefficients given in chapter 7.3. The size of the input data has to be equal to  $2^i$ , where the variable  $i$  is a non-negative integer. The subroutine is capable of computing either the inverse or non-inverse Fourier transforms. In this case, the inverse Fourier transform is used, so that the imaginary and real coefficients from the general Fourier equation are obtained.

The general expressions for both inverse and non-inverse Fourier transforms are given in B.1 and B.2, respectively.

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_k &= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j \cos \frac{2\pi k j}{n}, \quad k = 0, \dots, \frac{n}{2} \\
 b_k &= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} x_j \sin \frac{2\pi k j}{n}, \quad k = 1, \dots, \frac{n}{2} - 1
 \end{aligned} \tag{B.1}$$

$$x_j = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left( a_k \cos \frac{2\pi k j}{n} + b_k \sin \frac{2\pi k j}{n} \right) + \frac{1}{2} a_{\frac{n}{2}} \cos \pi j, \quad j = 0, \dots, n-1 \tag{B.2}$$

# Appendix C

## Transformations of Shear Stresses

As displayed in chapter 7.3, the shear stress coefficients along the surface of an airfoil are plotted. These values are calculated indirectly from the subroutine in the CFD solver called *cdltj.f* [13]. Basically, this subroutine generates the shear stresses congruent with the Cartesian coordinates. Therefore, these parameters undergo a transformation such that the new values are shear stress parallel and perpendicular to the surface of the airfoil. In this case, the new parallel shear stress, because it is representative of the skin friction coefficients. The transformation equation used to carry out the necessary transformations is expressed as [39]:

$$\tau_{x'y'} = -(\sigma_x - \sigma_y) \sin \theta \cos \theta + \tau_{xy} (\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta), \quad (\text{C.1})$$

where the definitions of  $\theta$ ,  $\tau_{x'y'}$ ,  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ , and  $\tau_{xy}$  are defined as the angular projection, the x-direction stress, the y-direction stress, and the shear stress, respectively, associated with a segment of a shape such as a wing.

# Appendix D

## Derivation of Equations

In deriving the governing pitch and heave equations, it is necessary to know the direction of force and moment applied. This is important because, if the directions are not correct, then the values of heave and pitch will not be correct, causing miscalculations of the conservative variables. The procedure presented in the following is given in detail, so as to provide a full comprehension of the nondimensionalized parameters, most of which are embedded in the CFD solver.

### D.1 Pitching Mode without Damping

By applying Newton's law of force summation, the pitch governing equation, without damping, can be formulated as follow:

$$mcx_\alpha\ddot{h} + I_\alpha\ddot{\alpha} + k_\alpha\alpha = M \quad (\text{D.1})$$

Eq. D.1 is divided by  $m$ . and  $c$  to obtain

$$x_\alpha\ddot{h} + \frac{I_\alpha}{mc}\ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_\alpha}{mc}\alpha = \frac{1}{mc}M. \quad (\text{D.2})$$

Hence, both  $m$  and  $c$  are removed from the first term of eq. D.1. Coincidentally, this process eliminates the need to non-dimensionalize  $I_\alpha$  and  $k_\alpha$ , as explained later. Eq.D.2 is then divided by  $c$  in order to non-dimensionalize the chord length.

$$\frac{x_\alpha}{c}\ddot{h} + \frac{I_\alpha}{mc^2}\ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_\alpha}{mc^2}\ddot{\alpha} = \frac{1}{mc^2}M \quad (\text{D.3})$$

The time parameter is then non-dimensionalized by dividing Eq. D.3 by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2}$ , as follow:

$$\frac{x_\alpha c^2}{cU_\infty^2}\ddot{h} + \frac{I_\alpha c^2}{mc^2U_\infty^2}\ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_\alpha c^2}{mc^2U_\infty^2}\ddot{\alpha} = \frac{c^2}{mc^2U_\infty^2}M, \quad (\text{D.4})$$

which can be simplified as:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{r_\alpha^2 k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} M. \quad (\text{D.5})$$

Eq. D.5 is multiplied by  $\frac{\rho_\infty}{2}$ , as follow:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{r_\alpha^2 k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{mc^2 U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} M, \quad (\text{D.6})$$

which can be simplified by using the definition of Moment coefficient, that is,  $C_m = \frac{M}{\frac{\rho_\infty}{2} U_\infty^2 c^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{r_\alpha^2 k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{m} C_M \quad (\text{D.7})$$

Eq. D.7 is further modified by applying the definition of viscosity, that is,  $\mu = \frac{m}{\pi \rho_\infty b^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{r_\alpha^2 k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{2}{\mu \pi} C_M \quad (\text{D.8})$$

Eq. D.8 is further modified by applying the definition of reduced frequency, that is,

$$\omega_\alpha^{2*} = \frac{k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2}.$$

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^{2*} \alpha = \frac{2}{\mu\pi} C_M \quad (\text{D.9})$$

Eq. D.9 is the governing equation of the non-damped pitching motion of an airfoil in its pure form. In order to use this equation in the CFD solver, eq. D.9 is multiplied on both sides by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2 \omega_\alpha^2}$ , which is defined as the reduce velocity parameter  $U^*$ . This process rescales the dimensionless time variable such that  $t^* = t^* \frac{c \omega_\alpha}{U_\infty}$ , and also, it dimensionalizes the natural frequency such that  $\omega_\alpha = \omega_\alpha^* \frac{U_\infty}{c}$ . Eq. 9 is then modified as follow:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U_\infty^2}{\mu c^2 \omega_\alpha^2} C_M \quad (\text{D.10})$$

By applying the substitution  $U^* = \frac{U_\infty}{b \omega_\alpha}$ , eq. D.10 becomes D.11, which is the desired non-damped pitching equation for the CFD solver,

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_M. \quad (\text{D.11})$$

## D.2 Pitching Mode with Damping

By applying Newton's law of force summation, the equation of motion for pitching mode with damping factor can be formulated as follow:

$$m c x_\alpha \ddot{h} + I_\alpha \ddot{\alpha} + \Phi_\alpha \dot{\alpha} + k_\alpha \alpha = M. \quad (\text{D.12})$$

Just like in section D.1, eq. D.12 is divided by  $m$  and  $c$  in order to eliminate these variables from the first term of eq. D.12. Then, it is divided by  $c$  and  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2}$  in order to non-dimensionalize the chord length and time parameter. Then it is multiplied by  $\frac{\rho_\infty}{2}$  on the right side. This results in the following equation,



$$\frac{x_\alpha c^2}{cU_\infty^2} \ddot{h} + \frac{I_\alpha c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} \ddot{\alpha} + \frac{\Phi_\alpha c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} \dot{\alpha} + \frac{k_\alpha c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} M, \quad (\text{D.13})$$

which can be simplified as:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_\alpha c}{mc^2 U_\infty} \dot{\alpha}^* + \frac{k_\alpha c^2}{mc^2 U_\infty^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}{mc^2 U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} M \quad (\text{D.14})$$

Eq. D.14 is modified by applying the definition of reduced frequency, that is,  $\omega_\alpha^{2*} = \frac{k_\alpha c^2}{I_\alpha U_\infty^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_\alpha \omega_\alpha^* I_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}}{mc^2 k_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}} \dot{\alpha}^* + \frac{I_\alpha \omega_\alpha^{2*}}{mc^2} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}{mc^2 U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} M \quad (\text{D.15})$$

Eq. D.15 is further modified by applying the definition of Radius of gyration, that is,  $r_\alpha^2 = \frac{I_\alpha}{mc^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_\alpha r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^*}{I_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}} k_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}}} \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^{2*} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}{mc^2 U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} M \quad (\text{D.16})$$

Eq. D.16 is modified by applying the definition of reduced damping coefficient, that is,  $\Phi_\alpha^* = \frac{\Omega}{2\sqrt{I_\alpha k_\alpha}}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Omega^* r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^* \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^{2*} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}{mc^2 U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} M \quad (\text{D.17})$$

Eq. D.17 is modified by applying the definition of Moment Coefficient, that is,  $C_m = \frac{M}{\frac{\rho_\infty}{2} U_\infty^2 c^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_\alpha^* r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^* \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^{2*} \alpha = \frac{c^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}{m} C_M \quad (\text{D.18})$$

Eq. D.18 is then modified by applying the definition of viscosity, that is,  $\mu = \frac{m}{\pi \rho_\infty b^2}$ .

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_\alpha^* r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^* \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \omega_\alpha^{2*} \alpha = \frac{2}{\mu \pi} C_M \quad (\text{D.19})$$

Eq. D.19 is the equation of damped pitching motion in its pure form. Just as the non-damped pitch equation in section D.1, eq. D.19 is multiplied by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2\omega_\alpha^2}$  on both sides, so that the dimensionless time is rescaled, and the uncoupled pitch frequency is dimensionalized. The outcome of this procedure is the desired damped pitching equation that's used in the CFD solver, as follow:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_\alpha^* r_\alpha^2 \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{2 U^{*2}}{\pi \mu} C_M. \quad (\text{D.20})$$

### D.3 Heave Mode without Damping

By applying Newton's law of moment summation, the equation of motion for pitching mode is formulated as follow:

$$m\ddot{h} + mcx_\alpha \ddot{\alpha} + k_h h = L \quad (\text{D.21})$$

In order to eliminate the variable  $m$ , eq. D.21 is divided by  $m$ .

$$\ddot{h} + cx_\alpha \ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_h}{m} h = \frac{1}{m} L \quad (\text{D.22})$$

Then, in order to eliminate the variable  $c$ , eq. D.22 is divided by  $c$ .

$$\frac{1}{c} \ddot{h} + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_h}{mc} h = \frac{1}{mc} L \quad (\text{D.23})$$

The last two steps eliminate the need to non-dimensionalize  $k_h$ . Eq. D.23 is then divided by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2}$  in order to non-dimensionalize the time parameter, as follow:

$$\frac{c^2}{cU_\infty^2} \ddot{h} + \frac{x_\alpha c^2}{U_\infty^2} \ddot{\alpha} + \frac{k_h c^2}{mcU_\infty^2} h = \frac{c^2}{mcU_\infty^2} L, \quad (\text{D.24})$$

which can be simplified as:

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{m U_\infty^2} h^* = \frac{c^2}{m c U_\infty^2} L. \quad (\text{D.25})$$

Eq. D.25 is modified by multiplying the right side by  $\frac{\rho_\infty}{2}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{m U_\infty^2} h^* = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{m c U_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}} L \quad (\text{D.26})$$

Eq. D.26 is then modified by applying the definition of Moment coefficient, that is,

$$C_L = \frac{L}{\frac{\rho_\infty}{2} U_\infty^2 c}.$$

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{m U_\infty^2} h^* = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{m} C_L \quad (\text{D.27})$$

Eq. D.27 is then modified by applying the definition of viscosity, that is,  $\mu = \frac{m}{\pi \rho_\infty b^2}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{m U_\infty^2} h^* = \frac{2}{\mu \pi} C_L \quad (\text{D.28})$$

Eq. D.28 is then modified by applying the definition of reduced plunge frequency,

that is,  $\omega_h^{2*} = \frac{k_h c^2}{m U_\infty^2}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \omega_h^{2*} h^* = \frac{2}{\mu \pi} C_L \quad (\text{D.29})$$

Eq. D.29 is the governing equation of the non-damped plunging motion in its pure form. In order to use eq. D.29 in the CFD solver, eq. D.29 is multiplied by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2 \omega_\alpha^2}$  on both sides, so that the dimensionless time parameter is rescaled, and the uncoupled frequency dimensionalized. The outcome from this procedure is the desired non-damped plunging equation for the CFD solver, as follow:

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} h^* = \frac{2 U^{*2}}{\pi \mu} C_L. \quad (\text{D.30})$$

## D.4 Heave Mode with Damping

By applying Newton's law of moment summation, the equation of motion for pitching mode with damping can be formulated as follow:

$$m\ddot{h} + mcx_\alpha\ddot{\alpha} + \Phi_h\dot{h} + k_h h = L. \quad (\text{D.31})$$

Just like in section D.3, eq.D.31 is divided by  $m$  and  $c$  in order to eliminate these variables from the first term of eq. D.12. Then, it is divided by  $c$  and  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2}$  in order to non-dimensionalized the chord length and time parameter. Then it is multiplied by  $\frac{\rho_\infty}{2}$  on the right side. This results in the following equation,

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha\ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_h c}{mU_\infty}\dot{h}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{mU_\infty^2}h^* = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{mcU_\infty^2 \frac{\rho_\infty}{2}}L \quad (\text{D.32})$$

Eq. D.32 is modified by applying the definition of Moment coefficient, that is,  $C_L = \frac{L}{\frac{\rho_\infty}{2}U_\infty^2 c}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha\ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_h c}{mU_\infty}\dot{h}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{mU_\infty^2}h^* = \frac{c^2 \rho_\infty}{m}C_L \quad (\text{D.33})$$

Eq. D.33 is then modified by applying the definition of viscosity, that is,  $\mu = \frac{m}{\pi\rho_\infty b^2}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha\ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_h c}{mU_\infty}\dot{h}^* + \frac{k_h c^2}{mU_\infty^2}h^* = \frac{2}{\mu\pi}C_L \quad (\text{D.34})$$

Eq. D.34 is then modified by applying the definition of reduced plunge frequency, that is,  $\omega_h^{2*} = \frac{k_h c^2}{mU_\infty^2}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha\ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\Phi_h \omega_h^*}{m^{\frac{1}{2}}k_h^{\frac{1}{2}}}\dot{h}^* + \omega_h^{2*}h^* = \frac{2}{\mu\pi}C_L \quad (\text{D.35})$$

Eq. D.35 is then modified by applying the definition of reduced damping coefficient, that is,  $\Phi_h^* = \frac{\Phi}{2\sqrt{mk_h}}$ .

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_h^* \omega_h^* \dot{h}^* + \omega_h^{2*} h^* = \frac{2}{\mu\pi} C_L \quad (\text{D.36})$$

Eq. D.36 is the equation of damped plunging motion in its pure form. In order to use eq.D.36 in the CFD solver, it is multiplied by  $\frac{U_\infty^2}{c^2 \omega_\alpha^2}$  on both sides, so that the dimensionless time parameter is rescaled, and the uncoupled frequency dimensionalized. The outcome from this procedure is the desired damped plunging equation for the CFD solver, as follow:

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_h^* \frac{\omega_h}{\omega_\alpha} \dot{h}^* + \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} h^* = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_L. \quad (\text{D.37})$$

## D.5 The CFD Structural Equations

Equations D.20 and D.37 are combined to form the governing structural matrix equation, as shown in eq. 4.1. However, the matrix equation that is actually coded in the CFD solver is not exactly the same as eq. 4.1, because the former is actually non-dimensionalized by the mid-chord  $b$ , whereas as the latter is non-dimensionalized by the full chord length  $c$ . If the mid-chord length  $b$  is used, then this would only modify the constant coefficients on the right side of the governing equations, such that equations D.11, D.20, D.30, and D.37 become:

$$x_\alpha \ddot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \ddot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{U_\infty^2}{\mu c^2 \omega_\alpha^2} C_M, \quad (\text{D.38})$$

$$x_\alpha \dot{h}^* + r_\alpha^2 \dot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_\alpha^* r_\alpha^2 \dot{\alpha}^* + r_\alpha^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_M, \quad (\text{D.39})$$

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} h^* = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{U^{*2}}{\mu} C_L, \text{ and} \quad (\text{D.40})$$

$$\ddot{h}^* + x_\alpha \ddot{\alpha}^* + 2\Phi_h^* \frac{\omega_h}{\omega_\alpha} \dot{h}^* + \frac{\omega_h^2}{\omega_\alpha^2} h^* = \frac{2 U^{*2}}{\pi \mu} C_L. \quad (\text{D.41})$$

# Appendix E

## Derivation of Flow and Structural Parameters

In order to simulate a particular type of flow induced vibration of an airfoil, the CFD solver requires the value of certain flow and structural parameters. Certain flow parameters are predetermined for the CFD solver, including the Reynolds Number,  $Re$ , Mach number  $M$ , and the specific heat ratio  $\gamma$ . These parameters belong to the freestream conditions. Other flow parameters have to be calculated using an appropriate mathematical formula. The formulas for most of these parameters can be found in References [40] and [14]. To begin with, the dimensionless freestream pressure is defined as:

$$P_{\infty}^* = \frac{M_{\infty}^2}{\gamma}. \quad (\text{E.1})$$

The ratio of stagnation pressure to static pressure is expressed as:

$$\frac{P_o^*}{P_{\infty}^*} = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}}. \quad (\text{E.2})$$

The stagnation pressure  $P_o^*$  can then be calculated from equations E.1 and E.2. The ratio of stagnation to static temperature can be expressed as [40] [14]:

$$\frac{T_o}{T_{\infty}} = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M^2\right). \quad (\text{E.3})$$

Equation E.3 can be defined as the dimensionless stagnation temperature, or  $T_o^* = \frac{T_o}{T_\infty}$ . In all, the dimensionless static pressure, stagnation pressure, and static temperature are flow parameters that are required to run the CFD solver.

Certain structural parameters are predetermined for the CFD solver, such as the unbalance distance  $x_a$ , mass ratio  $\mu$ , and radius of gyration  $r_a$ . Other structural parameters have to be calculated using an appropriate mathematical formula. To begin with, the flow viscosity is calculated using Sutherland's law of viscosity, expressed as:

$$\nu = 1.7894 \times 10^5 \left( \frac{T_\infty}{288.16} \right)^{1.5} \left( \frac{288.16 + 110}{T_\infty + 110} \right). \quad (\text{E.4})$$

The dimensional free stream velocity can be calculated from the formula of Reynolds number, that is,

$$U_\infty = \frac{\text{Re} \mu}{c \rho}, \quad (\text{E.5})$$

where  $\rho = \frac{P}{RT}$ . Hence, the reduced freestream velocity  $U_\infty$  can be expressed as:

$$U_\infty = \frac{\text{Re} \mu R T_\infty}{P_\infty}. \quad (\text{E.6})$$

The value of velocity index  $VI$  can also be predetermined for CFD computation. The flutter index serves as a dimensionless scalar quantity that relates flow dynamics to structural dynamics. From a given value of velocity index  $VI$ , the reduced velocity  $U_\infty^*$  can be obtained. The velocity index  $VI$  is mathematically expressed as [29]:

$$VI = \frac{U_\infty^*}{\sqrt{\mu}} \quad (\text{E.7})$$

Finally, both the reduced pitch and heave frequencies are defined in pages 83 and 87, and they can be obtained as follow:



$$\omega_{\alpha}^* = \frac{\omega_{\alpha} c}{U_{\infty}}, \quad (\text{E.8})$$

$$\omega_h^* = \frac{\omega_h c}{U_{\infty}}. \quad (\text{E.9})$$

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