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Risk-Based Computational Prototyping

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MSTC Organization & Activity



Mission: Integrate multiple disciplines to *discover and exploit new phenomena* for system *optimization and assessment* of revolutionary aerospace vehicles



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Branch Chief
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Prototype Representation & Design Exploration Methods

- Parametric Geometry & Mesh
- Subsystem Representation
- Design Space Exploration & Optimization
- Risk-based Design

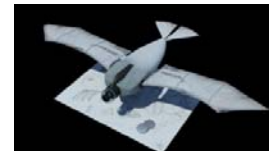
Analysis Methods for Prototypes

- Multidisciplinary Analysis
- Appropriate-fidelity Solutions and Sensitivities
- Nondeterministic Models

Prototype Validation & Assessment

- HiFi QTA
- Prototype Experimental Validation
- TRL Assessment

Shared Activity - Utilize a Unified Framework (SORCER, MODEL Center)



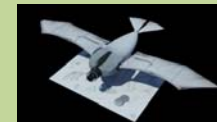


Some Significant Collaborations



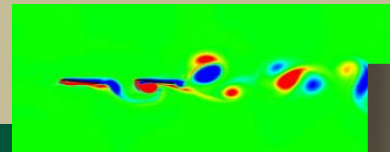
MSTC Collaborative Center with
VPI & SU, WSU, and University of Maryland
(Formed March 2009)

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AFRL/RB and WSU Center for Micro Air
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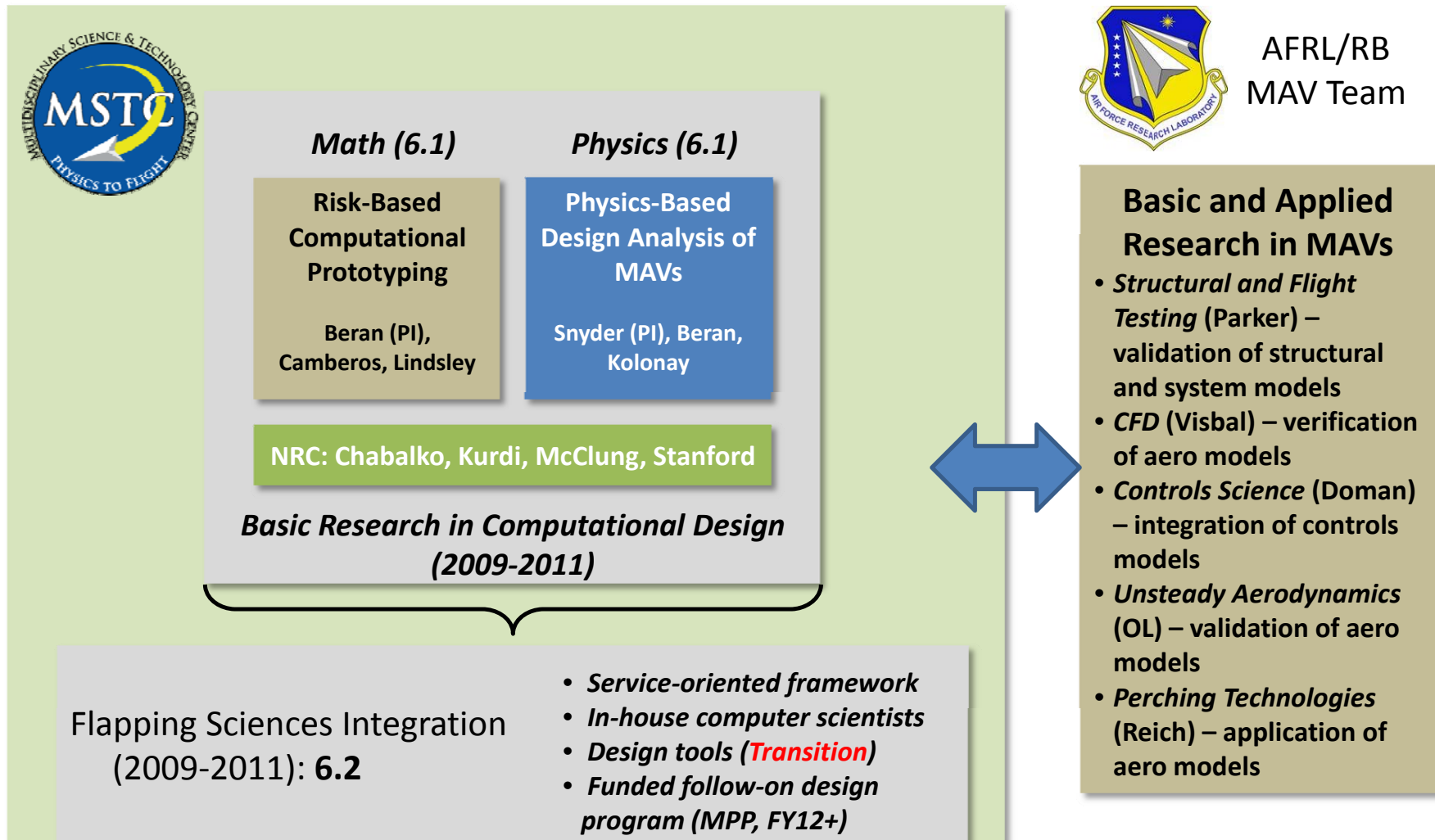


- Prof Missoum, Mr. Basudhar (UA, Tucson) and Dr. Lambe (MSSRC) – RBDO with LCO
- Prof Dong and Mr. Gaston (WSU) – ROM and Simulation of falling bodies
- Prof McFarland and Mr. Hubbard (UIUC) – Transmission design with nonlinearity





Internal Collaborations in MAVs





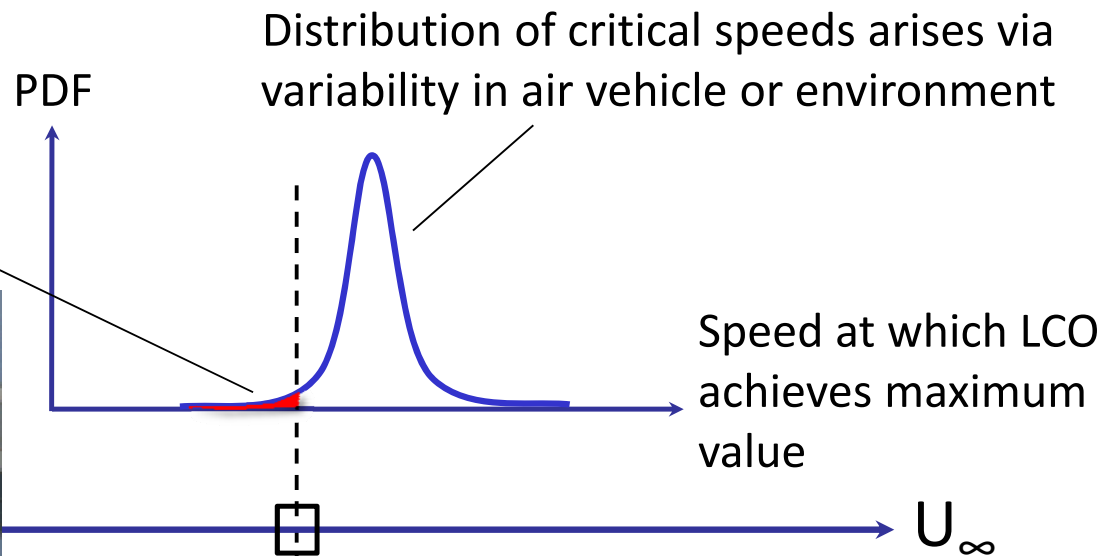
Role of Computational Mathematics



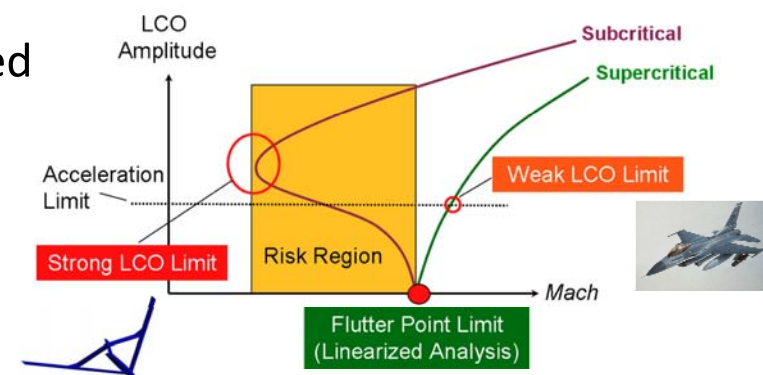
P_F = Probability of Failure (large LCO)
Must be sufficiently small



Large Vehicles



Target Flight Speed



Computational mathematics needed for physics-based design of reliable vehicles



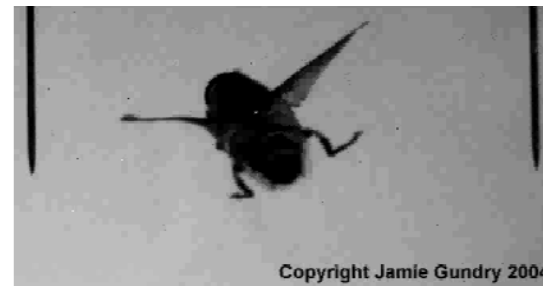
Role of Computational Mathematics (cont.)



- Exploit nonlinear aeroelastic interactions for small aircraft



Unsteady Flow, Iida (2004)



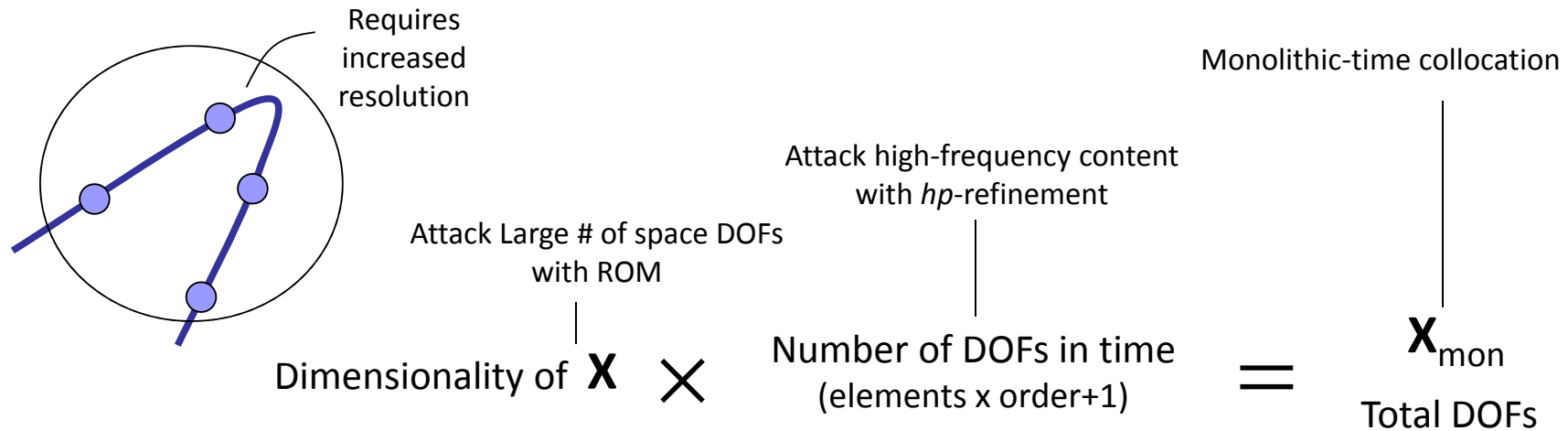
Unsteady Deformations

- Numerous challenges for design of Micro air vehicles (MAVs)
 - Physics Rich (must be a physics-based approach)
 - Complex and time-dependent actuations (unsteady)
 - Non-conventional geometries and structural topologies
 - Power-based integration of propulsion, structure, control components

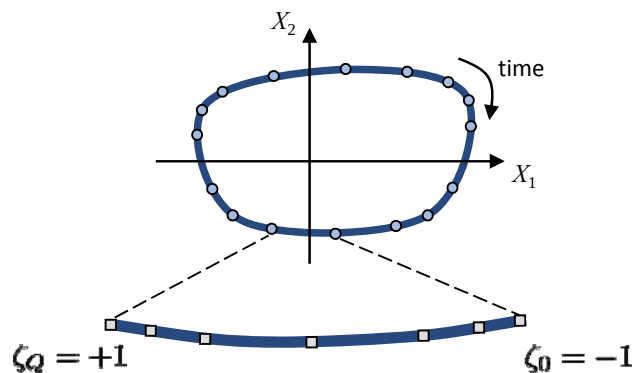
Computational mathematics needed for physics-based design of MAVs



Spectral Formulation for Time-Periodic Systems



- Uses a local basis instead of global basis



$$X_e(\zeta) = \sum_{q=0}^m X_e(\zeta_q) \Psi_q(\zeta)$$

- m – Order of the spectral element
- ζ_q – Zeroes of the Lobatto-Legendre polynomials
- $\Psi_q(\zeta)$ – Lagrange polynomial of order m

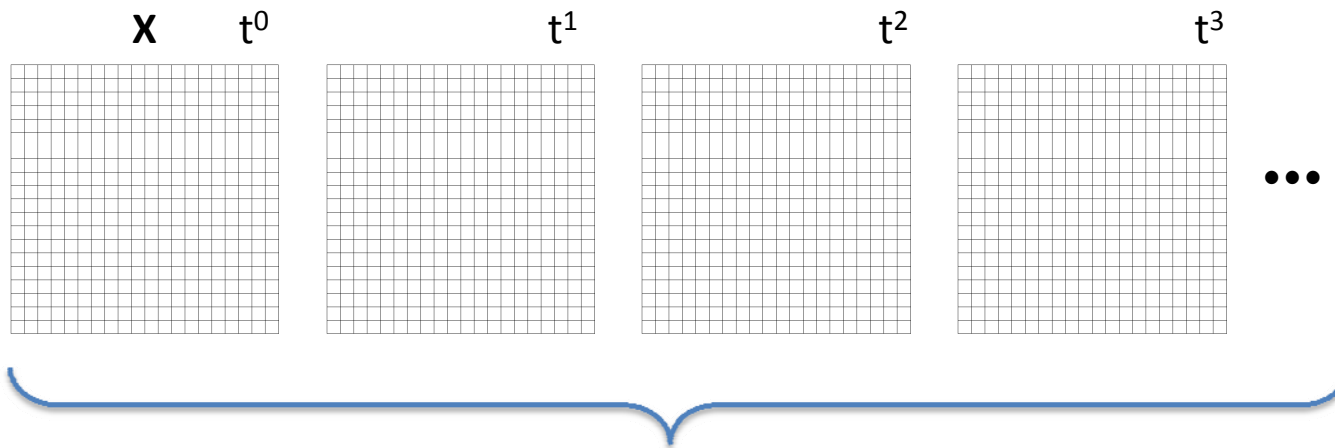
Kurdi and Beran, "Spectral Element Method in Time for Rapidly Actuated Systems," *JCP*, Vol. 227, No. 3, 2008, pp. 1809-1835.



Monolithic-Time Collocation



Arrays corresponding to a
discrete 2D field variable



$$\mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}} = [X^0, X^1, X^2, X^3, \dots]$$

Context for time-periodic *and* transient solutions



Adjoint-Variable Approach

1

Solve $\mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}(\mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}, \lambda) = 0$

$H(\mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}})$ = objective

$\mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}$ = equation residual

Sensitivity:

$$\frac{dH}{d\lambda} = - \overbrace{\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}} \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}}{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}} \right)^{-1}}^{\text{adjoint}} \underbrace{\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}}{\partial \lambda}}_{\text{direct}}$$

2

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}}{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}} \right)^T \mathbf{C}_{\text{mon}} = \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}} \right)^T$$

High cost:
computed once

3

$$\frac{dH}{d\lambda} = -\mathbf{C}_{\text{mon}}^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}}{\partial \lambda}$$

Inexpensive:
analytic or finite-difference (repeat for each
variable) about monolithic solution

Goal: Examine challenge of storing $\mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}$ between step 1 and 2



Adjoint Computation for Transient Sensitivity Analysis



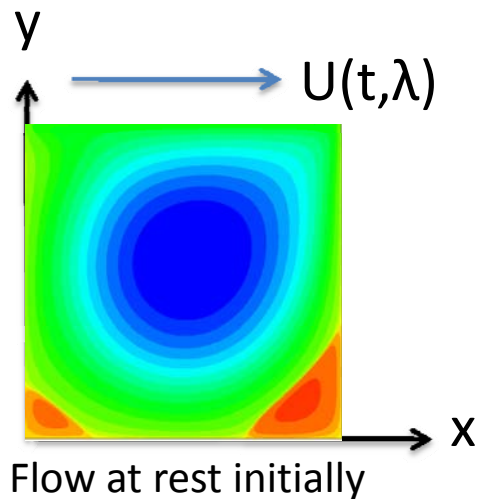
Goal: Develop a sensitivity analysis process that scales well with total # DOFs

- Interested in the adjoint-variable approach in anticipation of:
 - many design variables (not true of direct and sampling based approaches)
 - use of gradient-based optimization (trade global effectiveness for efficiency)
- Some relevant literature
 - Nadarajah and Jameson, "Optimum Shape Design for Unsteady Flows with Time-Accurate Continuous and Discrete Adjoint Methods," AIAA Journal Vol. 45, No. 7, 2007
 - Thomas, Hall, and Dowell, "A Discrete Adjoint Approach for Modeling Unsteady Aerodynamic Design Sensitivities," AIAA 2003-0041, 2003
 - Mani and Mavriplis, "An Unsteady Discrete Adjoint Formulation for Two-Dimensional Flow Problems with Deforming Meshes," AIAA 2007-60, 2007
- Create a sample problem to explore a POD-based approach to eliminate challenge of storing the forward solution



Problem Description

Transient analysis of incompressible flow in a square cavity with unsteady lid



- Steady: $U = 1$ (impulsive)
 - verify; assess accuracy
- Transient: $U = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(f t))$
 - define H , a function of the transient solution
 - compute sensitivity of H to frequency, f
- Streamfunction-vorticity form

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \nabla^2 \omega \quad \nabla^2 \Psi = -\omega \quad u = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y}, \quad v = -\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x}$$



Discretization and Time Integration



Explicit/implicit formulation

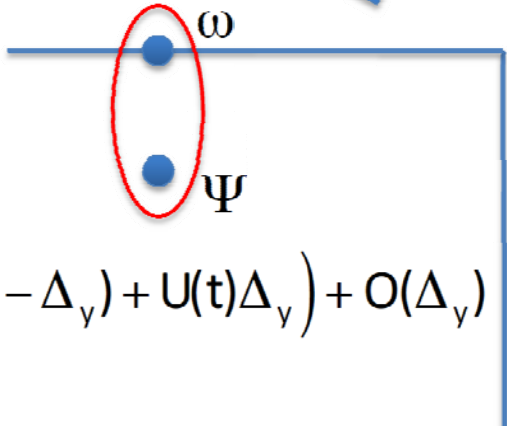
1
$$\frac{\omega^{n+1} - \omega^n}{dt} + \left(u\delta_x \omega + v\delta_y \omega \right)^n = \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \left(\delta_{xx} + \delta_{yy} \right) \omega^{n+1}$$

2nd-order-accurate, central-difference operators

2
$$\left(\delta_{xx} + \delta_{yy} \right) \Psi^{n+1} = -\omega^{n+1}$$

3 Repeat for next time step

$$\omega(x,1) = -\frac{2}{\Delta_y^2} \left(\Psi(x,1 - \Delta_y) + U(t)\Delta_y \right) + O(\Delta_y)$$





Adjoint-Variable Approach

Linear, time invariant

$$\begin{array}{l}
 n = 1 \\
 n = 2 \\
 n = 3
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 \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{I}_i + \mathbf{G}_W^{n=1} & \textcircled{-\mathbf{S} + \mathbf{G}_P^{n=1}} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \\
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 \Delta \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}} = -\mathbf{F}_{\text{mon}}$$

Vorticity BC coupling terms
Jacobians arising from convective terms [apply data compression]

Reverse-time

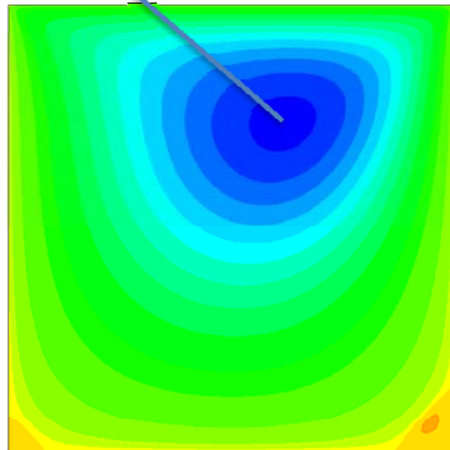
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 \mathbf{C}_{\text{mon}} = \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}} \right)^T \\
 \textcircled{\mathbf{X}_{\text{mon}}^*} \text{ Linearization}
 \end{array}$$



Verification (Steady State)



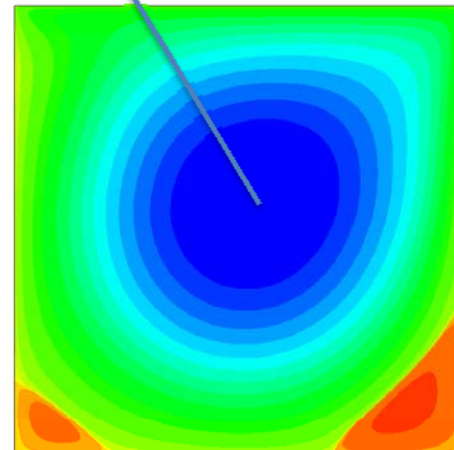
$\Psi_{\min}$ { $[-.1026, -.1035]$ Collected*
 $-.1035$ Current



$t_{\text{final}} = 20$, time step = 0.001

$Re = 100$

$\Psi_{\min}$ { $[-.1163, -.1188]$ Collected*
 $-.1180$ Current



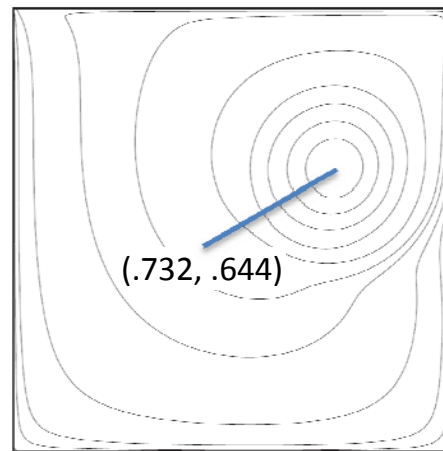
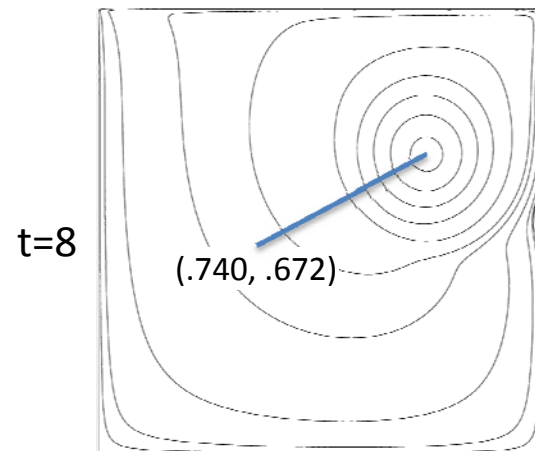
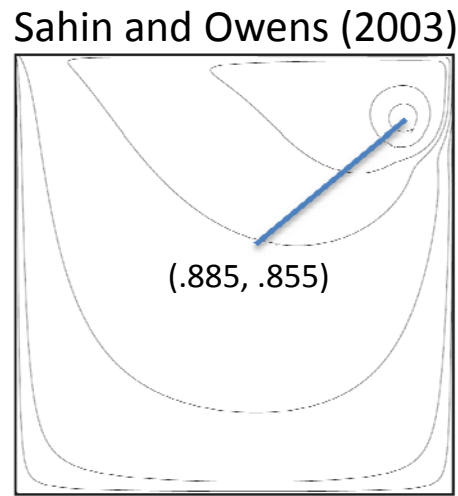
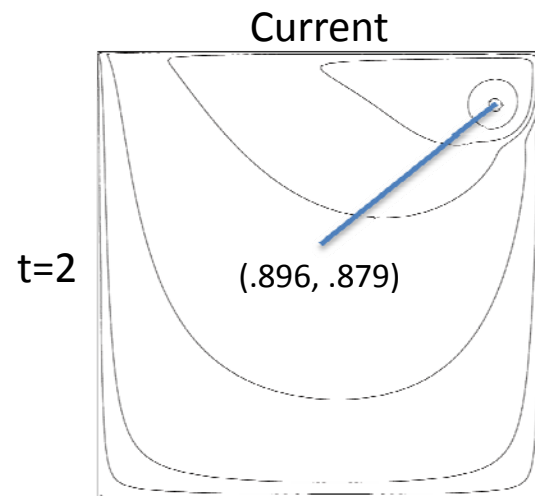
$t_{\text{final}} = 50$, time step = 0.001

$Re = 1000$

*Sahin and Owens, "A Novel Fully Implicit Finite Volume Method Applied to the Driven Cavity Problem – Part I: High Reynolds Number Flow Calculations," *Int J Num Methods Fluids*, Vol. 42, Issue 1, May 2003, pp. 79-88



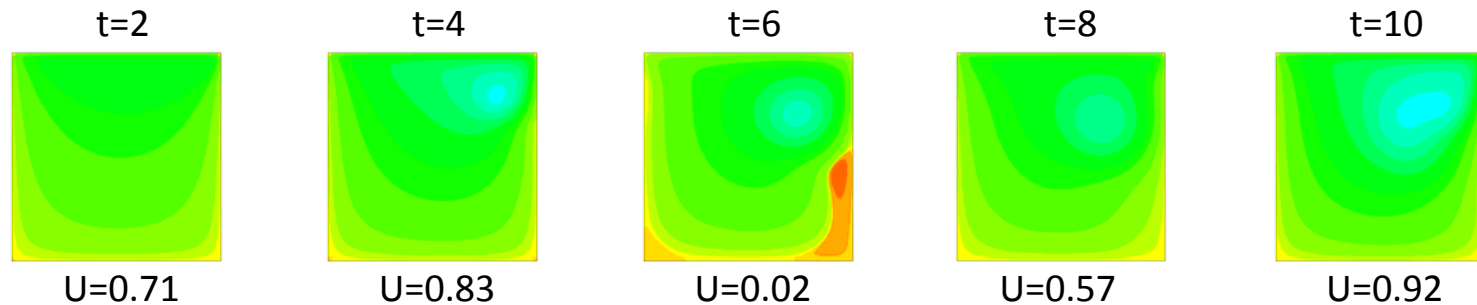
Verification (Transient)



- $Re=10000$
- $U(t) = 1$
- Contour plots of Ψ
- $t=2$: agree within 2.8%
- $t=8$: agree within 4.4%
- Need to explore mesh and time step refinements



Verification (Sensitivity)



- Re=1000 with baseline mesh (101×101)
- U varies in time
- Determine sensitivity of H_2 about $f = 1$
- H_2 evaluated at $t = 10$
- Finite-difference sensitivity: $\delta f = 0.0001$
- *Sensitivities match to 6 significant digits*

$$U(t) = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(ft))$$

$$H_2(\mathbf{x}_{\text{mon}}) = \sum_k (\Psi_k^n)^2$$

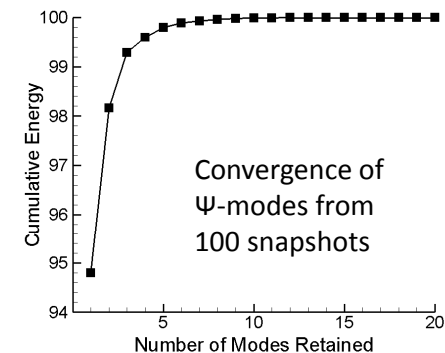
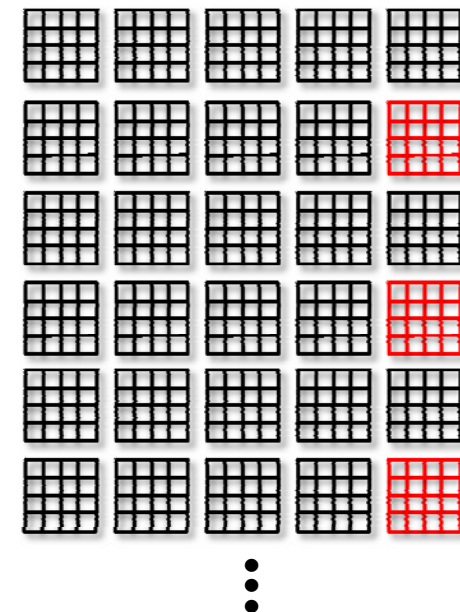
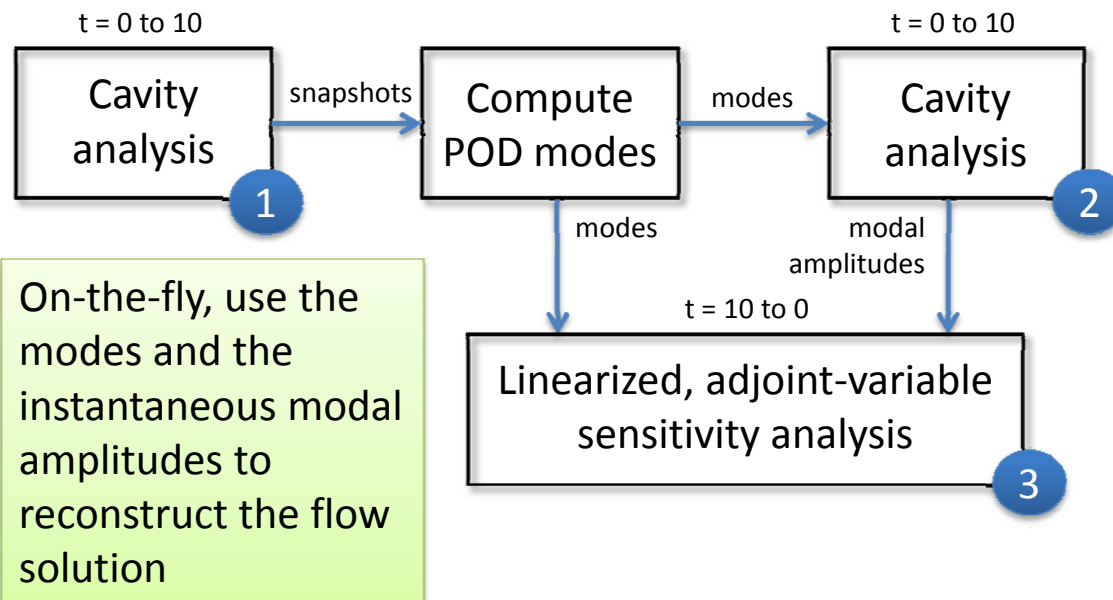
$\partial H_2 / \partial f$ (Adjoint)	$\partial H_2 / \partial f$ (Finite Difference)
4.70771958780	4.7077182309



POD Data Compression for Sensitivity Analysis

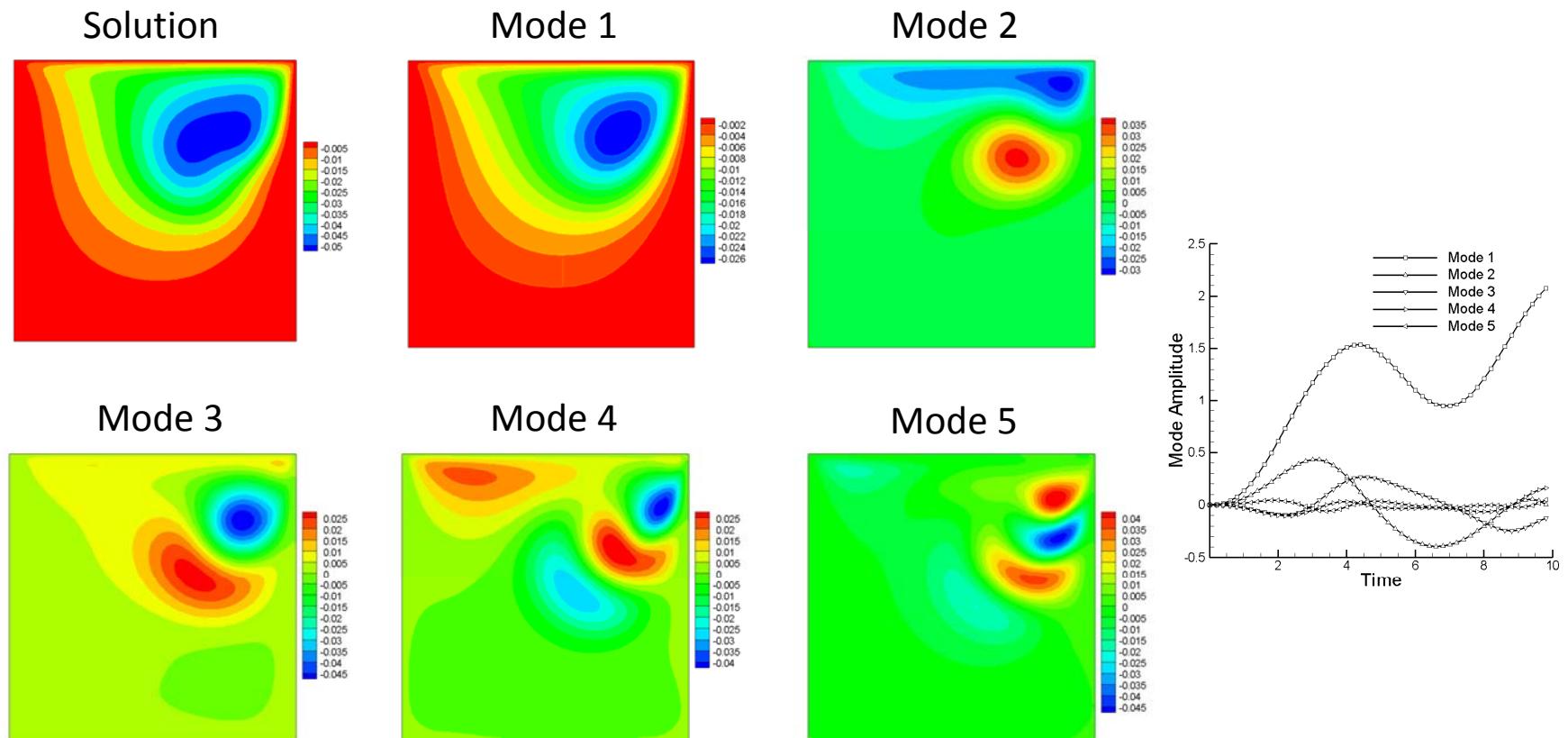


- Same conditions as verification case
- Integration time of 10; 1000 time steps
- Collect snapshots once every 10 time steps
- Decimate snapshot set to coarsen
- Evaluate efficiency and accuracy of POD-based adjoint sensitivity analysis as function of number of snapshots and modes





Solution and POD Modes (Streamfunction)





Efficiency and Accuracy

$\partial H_2 / \partial f$ using 100 snapshots

Full order	50 modes	20 modes	10 modes	5 modes
4.707719587	4.707725353	4.711403732	4.724862963	3.121007234

% Error in $\partial H_2 / \partial f$

	50 modes	20 modes	10 modes	5 modes
100 snapshots	0.00012	0.078	0.36	-34
20 snapshots	–	1.4	3.2	-31
10 snapshots	–	–	1.6	2.8

20 snapshots = 2% of time-history data

10 modes = 1% of time-history data

High efficiency

Good accuracy

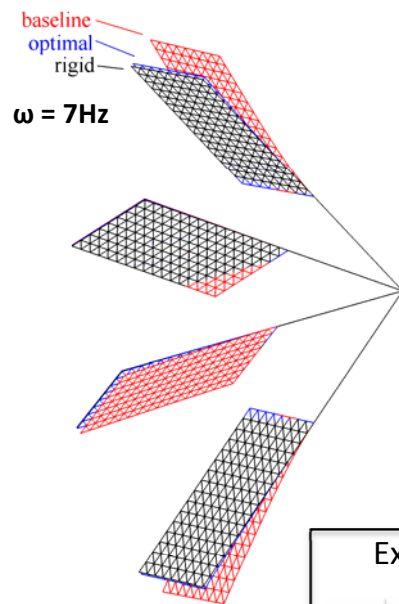
Greatly decrease memory requirement at 2× cost: explore other POD uses



Structural Design (Inertial Loads Only)

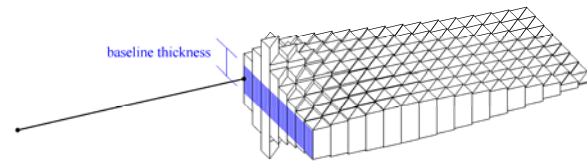


Goal: study transient sensitivity analysis in context of DOF reduction

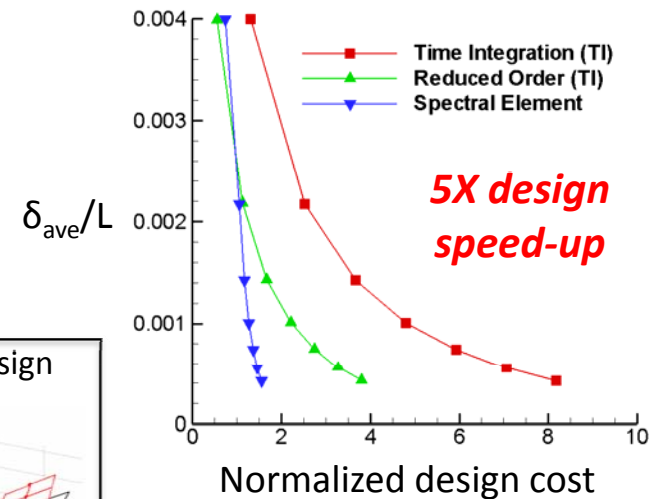
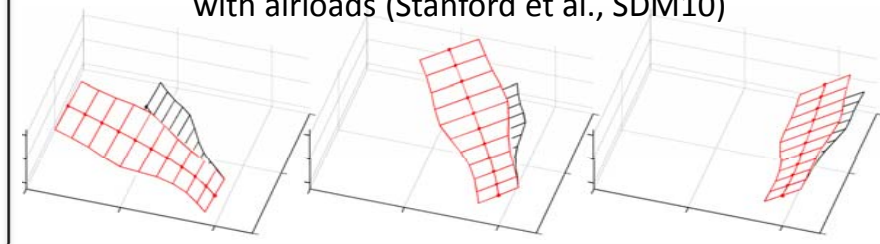


- Identify best thickness distribution for rapidly actuated plate
- Nonlinear modeling of a flapping plate
- Minimize δ_{ave} = time-averaged δ
- 256 variables (element thicknesses w/ constraints)
- GBO via MATLAB (*fmincon*)

Resultant thickness distribution



Extension: Kinematic/Structural design for wing design with airloads (Stanford et al., SDM10)



ROM Adjoints $\approx$ Free

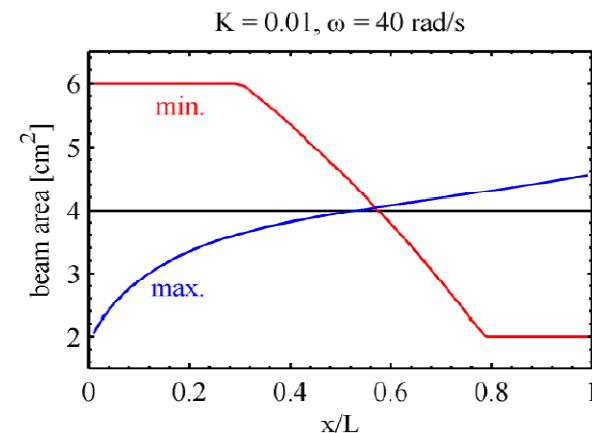
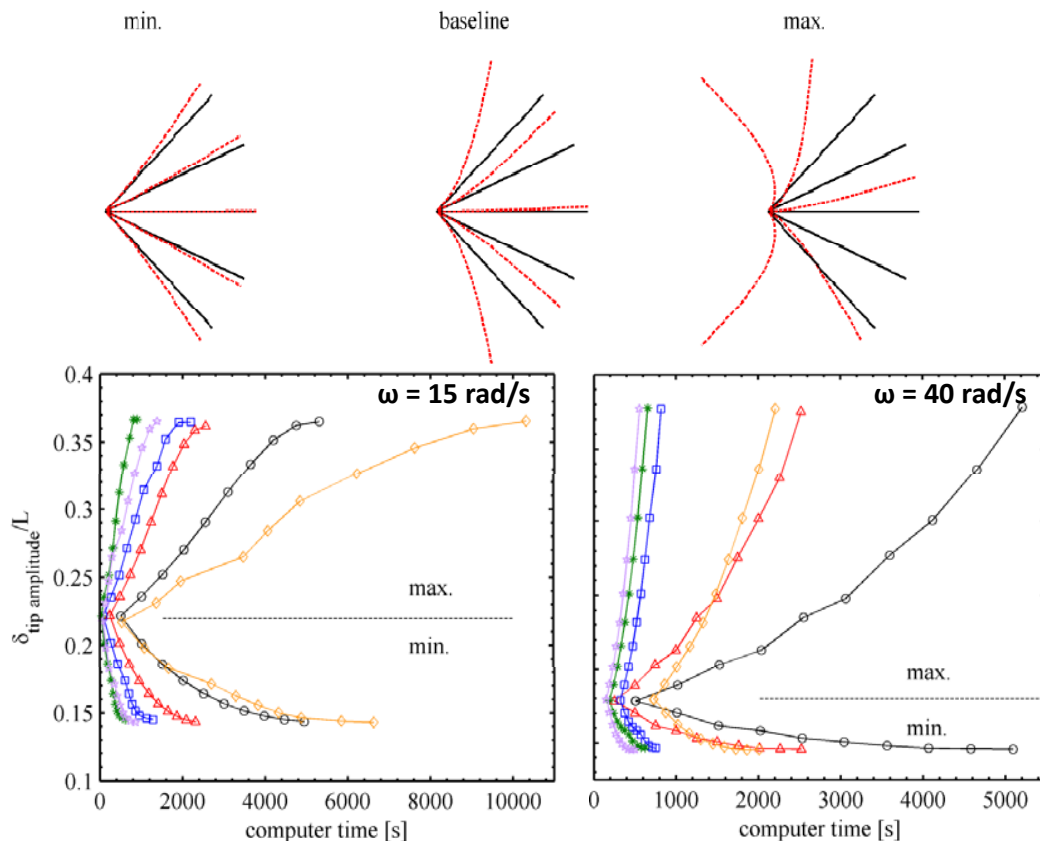
Stanford, Beran, and Kurdi, "Adjoint Sensitivities of Time-Periodic Nonlinear Structural Dynamics via Model Reduction," *Computers and Structures* (to appear), 2010.



Beam Design (Inertial Loads Only)



- Identify best area distributions for minimum and maximum time-averaged tip displaced
- Co-rotational FEA formulation; 50 beam elements, each with a different sectional area
- Side constraints on area; GBO via MATLAB (*fmincon*)
- Compute sensitivities with the adjoint formulation



- Newmark, FOM
- △— Newmark, ROM
- SE, FOM
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Some benefits of combining SE and ROM in time-periodic formulation

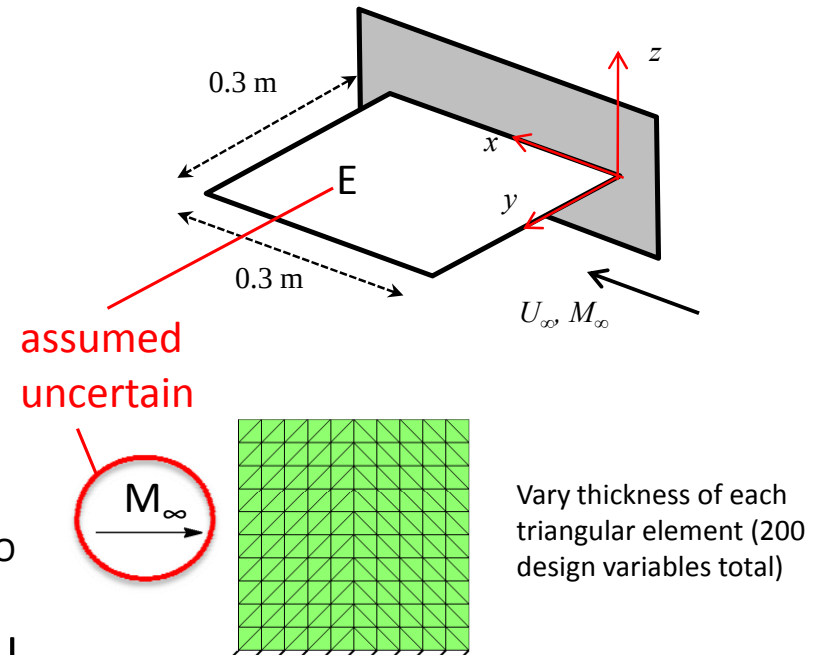
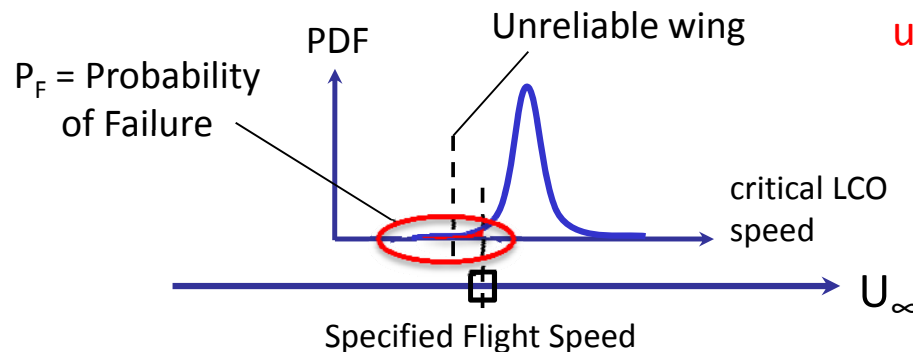


Reliability-Based Design Optimization (RBDO)



Goal: Examine use of transient sensitivity analysis to design a plate wing that is both light and reliable

- Reliable: wing does not exhibit too severe a limit-cycle oscillation
- $U_\infty > U_{\text{flutter}} \rightarrow$ limit cycle oscillation
- Piston theory aerodynamics ($M_\infty > 1$)
- Nonlinear von Kármán plate FEA

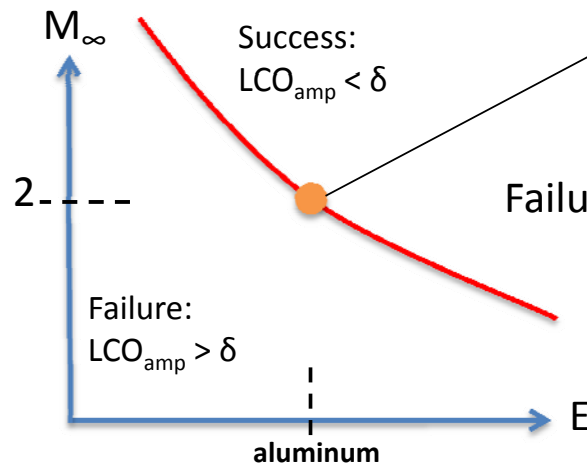


Minimize mass of plate; constrain the probability that $\text{LCO}_{\text{amp}} > \delta$ ($P_F \leq \sigma$)



Contrasting Approaches

Deterministic Optimization



Generally, the designed plate “moves” to the constraint boundary ($P_F \approx 1/2$)

Failure surface:

$$g = g(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{d}, E, M_\infty)) = \delta - \text{LCO}_{\text{amp}} = 0$$

$\mathbf{x}$ = response variables

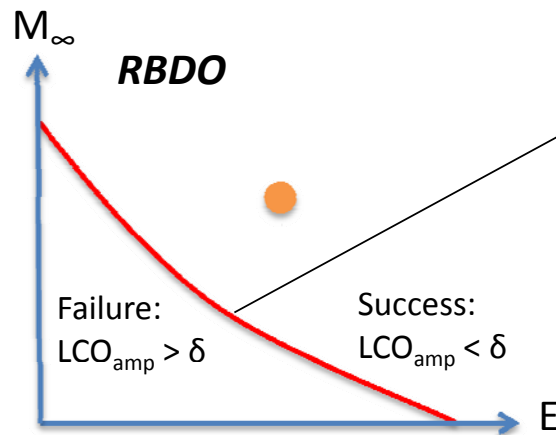
$\mathbf{d}$ = design variables

$$\min_{\mathbf{d}} \text{ weight} = f(\mathbf{d})$$

subject to:

$$g(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{d}, E, M_\infty)) > 0;$$

side constraints on $\mathbf{d}$



Generally, the designed plate “moves” away from the constraint boundary a “safe” distance ($P_F = \sigma$)

$$\min_{\mathbf{d}} \text{ weight} = f(\mathbf{d})$$

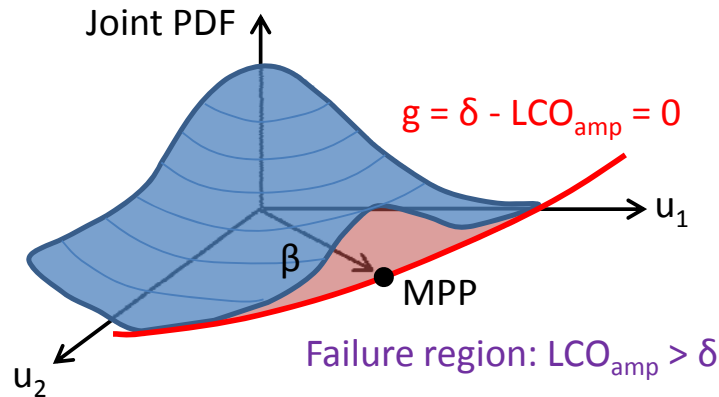
subject to:

$$1 - \text{Prob}(g < 0)/\sigma \geq 0; \text{ side constraints on } \mathbf{d}$$

Allen and Maute, “Reliability-based design optimization of aeroelastic structures,” *Structural and Multidisciplinary Optimization*, Vol. 27, 2004, pp. 228-242. *(Static Aeroelasticity)*



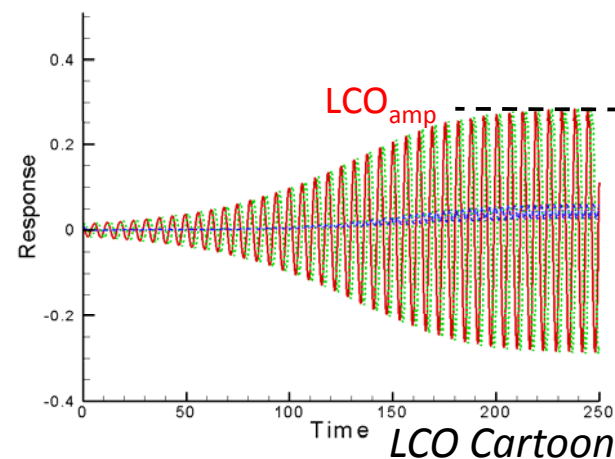
RBDO Formulation



AIAA Short Course: Introduction to Non-Deterministic Approaches

- M_∞ and E are chosen to be uncertain (normal)
- Map to uncorrelated random variables u_1 and u_2 in standard normal space
- Compute Most Probable Point (MPP) and reliability index β
- Approximate failure surface as linear: First Order Reliability Method (FORM)
- Compute probability of failure, $P_F = P_F(\beta)$
- Meet P_F constraint using analytical gradients

- 1 For a given structure, compute MPP using gradient based optimization: require sensitivities of g to u_1 and u_2
- 2 Reduce weight while meeting P_F constraint using gradient based optimization: require sensitivities of P_F to d_i (found from sensitivities of g to d_i)

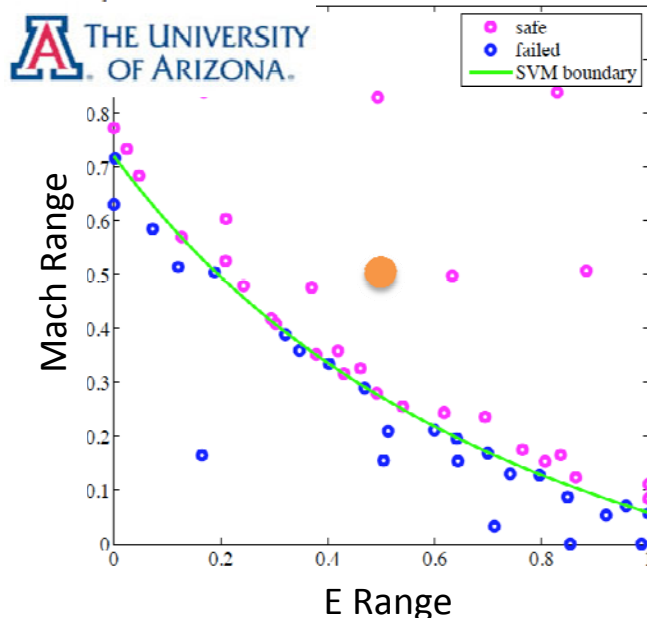


Adjoints of transient solutions used to compute sensitivities of g to d_i



RBDO and SVM Results

Uniform (baseline) panel



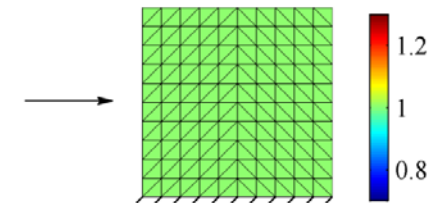
1. Basudhar used Support Vector Machine and adaptive sampling to approximately construct failure surface
2. Computed P_F with MCS on SVM boundary (55 samples)
3. Computed P_F with QMCS (Lambe, MSSRC)

Method	PF
FORM	0.0197
MCS (10^6)	0.0248
QMCS (10^4)	0.0244

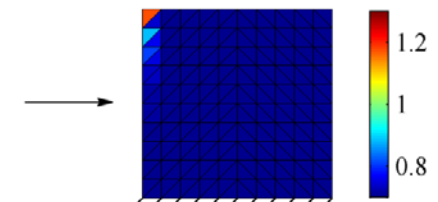
Basudhar and Missoum, "Update of explicit limit state functions constructed using Support Vector Machines," AIAA 2007-1872, April 2007.

RBDO Step	Cost (MATLAB, single CPU)
Simulation	10 minutes
Adjoint	5 minutes
MPP	1 hour
Optimization	4 hours (deterministic), 12 hours (probabilistic)

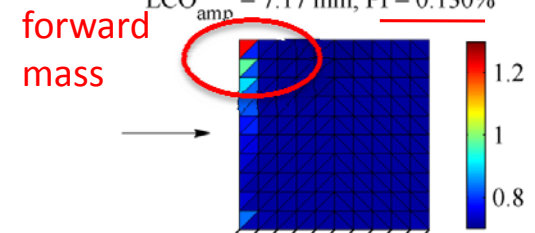
baseline: mass = 0.252 kg
LCO_{amp} = 5.98 mm, Pf = 0.114%



deterministic optimum: mass = 0.178 kg
LCO_{amp} = 10.01 mm, Pf = 50.17%



probabalistic optimum: mass = 0.182 kg
LCO_{amp} = 7.17 mm, Pf = 0.130%





Recent Activities: Rigid-Body MAV Motions



- Start to investigate impact of rigid-body motion on MAV performance
- Prof. Haibo Dong (WSU), Mr. Zachary Gaston (WSU)
- Mr. Tim Broering (UL)



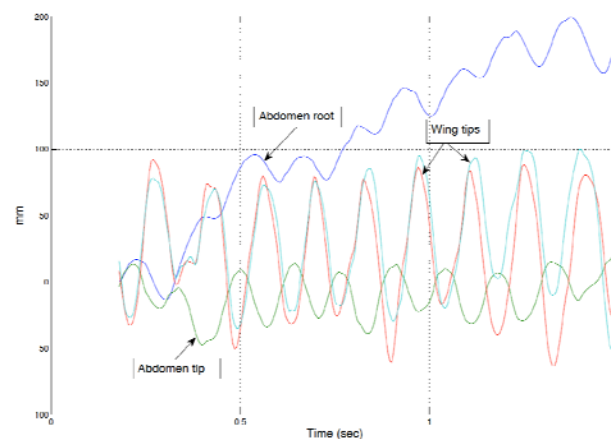
Chakravarthy, Albertani, Evers, "In-Flight Dynamically Adaptive Configurations: Lessons from Live Lepidoptera," AIAA 2010-2828, April 2010.



Digital Image Correlation by Prof. Albertani using live specimens of *Lepidoptera*



McGuire Center for Lepidoptera and Biodiversity, Gainesville, FL



Need to include rigid-body motions and body flexibility in bio-inspired MAV models



Plan for Rigid-Body Coupling

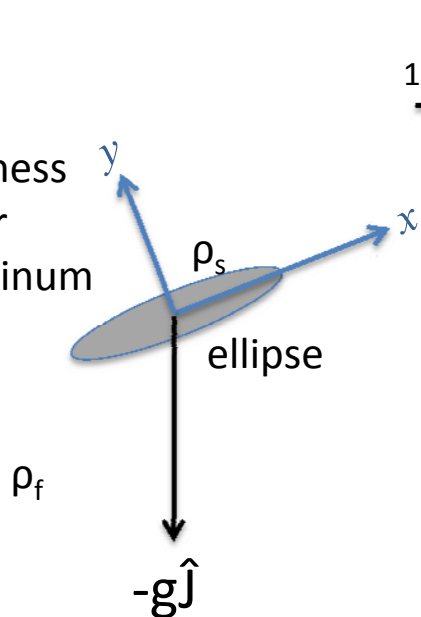


- Emphasize passive motions first: falling bodies in quiescent flow
 - Pesavento and Wang, “Falling Paper: Navier-Stokes Solutions, Model of Fluid Forces, and Center of Mass Elevation”, *PRL*, Vol. 93, No. 14, 2004
 - Modify high-fidelity tools to repeat 2D simulations and extend in 3D; validate at WSU with high-speed photography (want comparisons)
 - Calibrate quasi-steady models (like those used in flapping)
- Examine influences of gust and variability on falling motions
 - Introduce variability into quasi-steady models (e.g., how is seed dispersal impacted by winds?)
- Re-examine design procedures that have been developed so far: want MAVs that are robust to gust

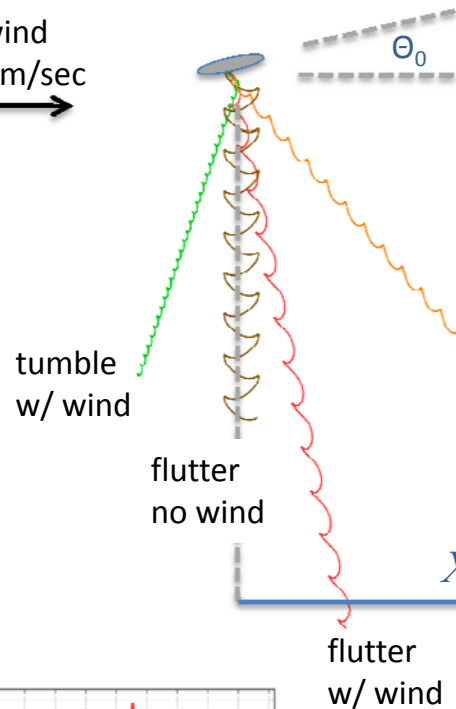


Some Typical Motions

c = chord
 h = thickness
 ρ_f = water
 ρ_s = aluminum

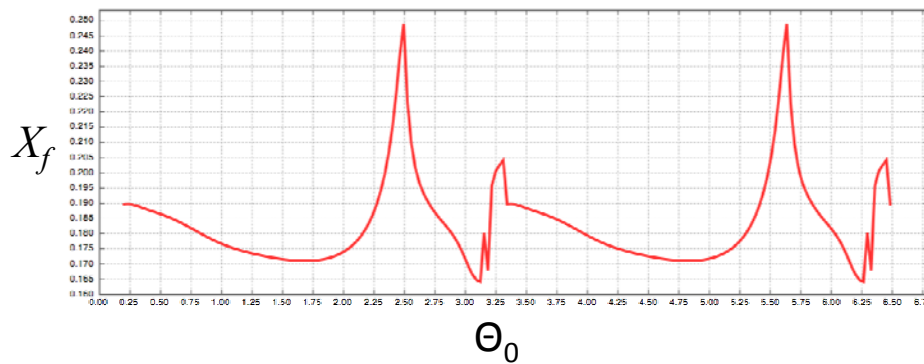


wind
10 cm/sec



Trajectories computed with quasi-steady aerodynamics (Wang et al.)

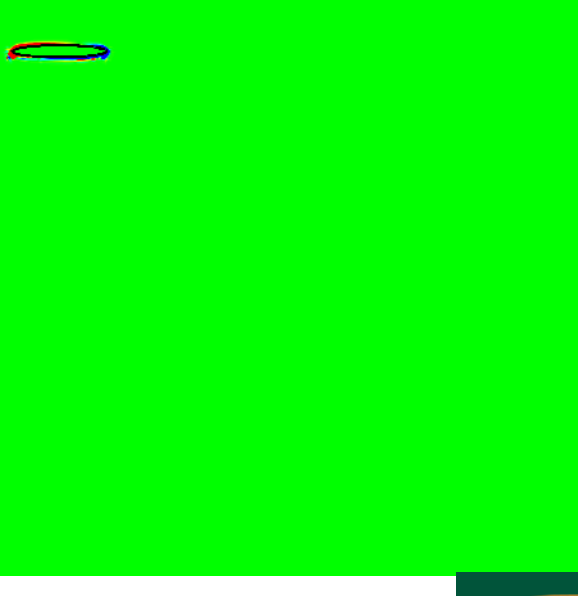
flutter: $\beta = h/c = 1/14$
 tumble: $\beta = h/c = 1/5$



- Will explore impact of variability (physical and model) on distribution of landing locations
- Developed transient sensitivities (direct): role in selecting bodies with more desirable falling characteristics?



Re = O[10³] (Falling)



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Figure 10.10 consists of three parts. Part (a) is a color-coded plot of the drag coefficient distribution around a circular cylinder. The color scale ranges from blue (low drag) to red (high drag). The drag is highest in the wake of the cylinder. Part (b) is a schematic of a circular cylinder in a flow field with a grid. The drag coefficient distribution is shown as a color-coded plot. Part (c) is a schematic of a circular cylinder in a flow field with a grid. The drag coefficient distribution is shown as a color-coded plot.



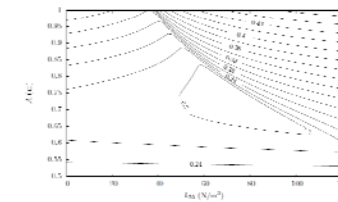
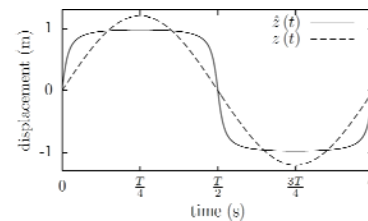
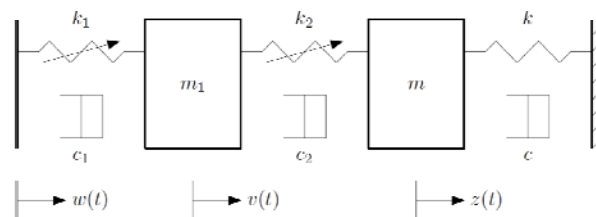
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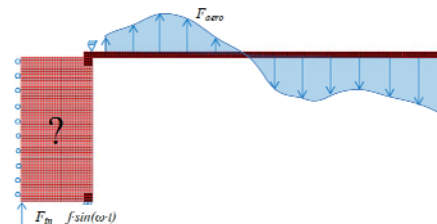
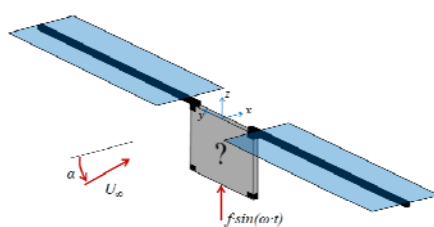
McFarland and Hubbard



- Start to explore role of actuation mechanism in MAV design
 - Investigate physical interactions between a flapping wing and the mechanism that flaps the wing (e.g., transmission of inertial loads)



- Developing compliant mechanisms via topological optimization
 - Link mechanism with generated inertial/aero loads (MAO 2010)



Understanding/modeling energy transfers between mechanism and wing critical



Concluding Remarks

- Sensitivity analysis of transient/time-periodic systems serves an important role for design of both large and small aircraft
 - Constraint boundaries often nonlinear (LCO and aeroelastic response in gust); strive for physics-based approaches not reliant on safety factors
 - Essential for design of flapping wing MAVs; strive for physics-based approaches that account for gust
- Lessons learned through unsteady sample problems
 - POD is a straightforward means for data compression in sensitivity analysis for large systems; extensions using POD ripe for study
 - Adjoint vectors in ROM formulation computed virtually for free (tailoring of structure for nonlinear response during rotary actuation)
 - Adjoint-based sensitivities work well in an RBDO context; want to extend (e.g., transonic, SVM, SORM) based on lessons learned
- Interesting departure points for further study: variability in motion subject to gust, mechanism design



Recent Publications

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Questions?





AMP Team Composition (WPAFB)



Mission: Integrate multiple disciplines to *discover and exploit new phenomena* for system *optimization and assessment* of revolutionary aerospace vehicles

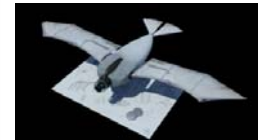


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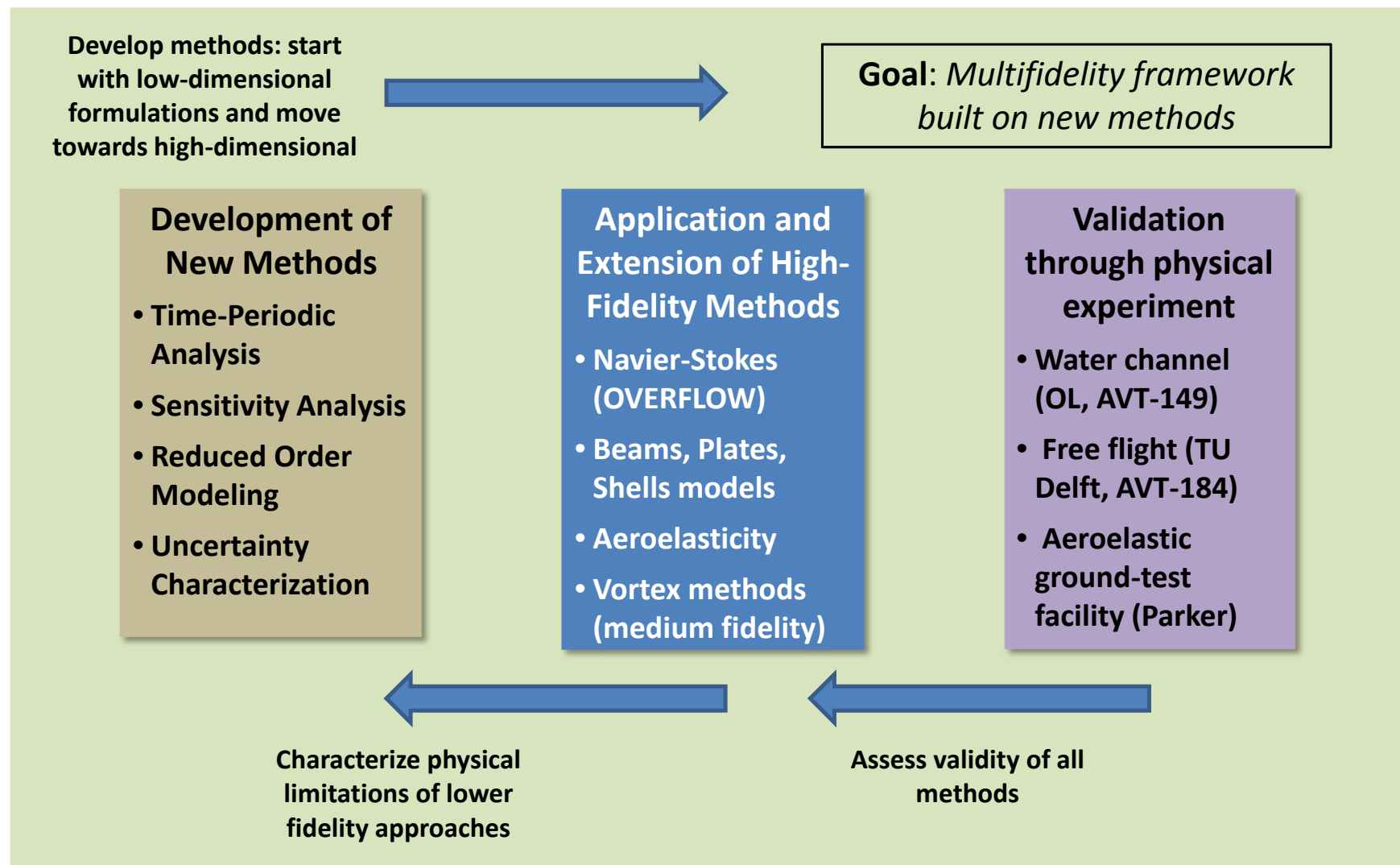
Analysis Methods for Prototypes

- Dr. José Camberos – On detail as RB Deputy Chief Scientist
- *Dr. Chris Chabalko – Postdoc (NRC, UTC)*
- Dr. Ned Lindsley – Supporting prototype validation/assessment
- *Dr. Aaron McClung – Civil Servant, formerly NRC*
- Mr. John Moore – Undergraduate Co-op (University Florida)
- Mr. Michael Robbeloth – Computer Scientist, DSA
- Dr. Rich Snyder
- *Dr. Bret Stanford – Postdoc (NRC)*
- Dr. Phil Beran - Lead





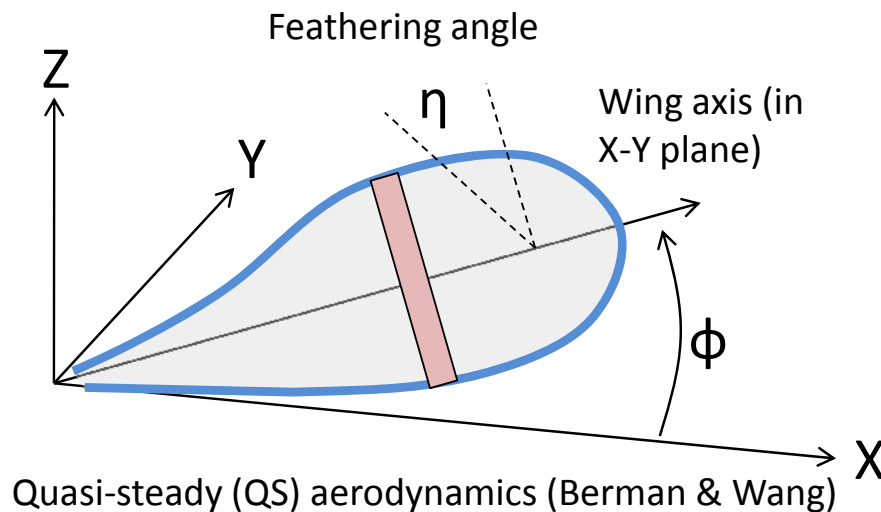
Methods Development Strategy





Application to Insect Wing

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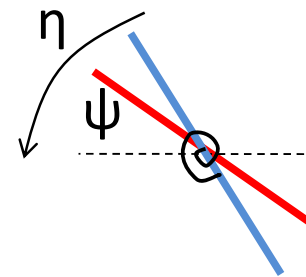


Power reduction from initial design:

- 55% for unconstrained acceleration
- 40% for constrained acceleration

Looking at inertial power contribution

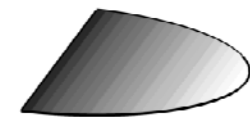
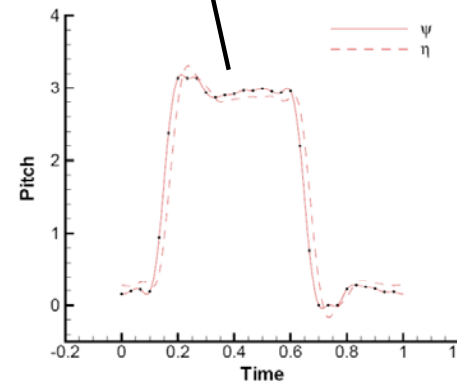
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Prescribed (ψ) and realized (η) angles

- mass-spring-damper
- inertial & aero loads

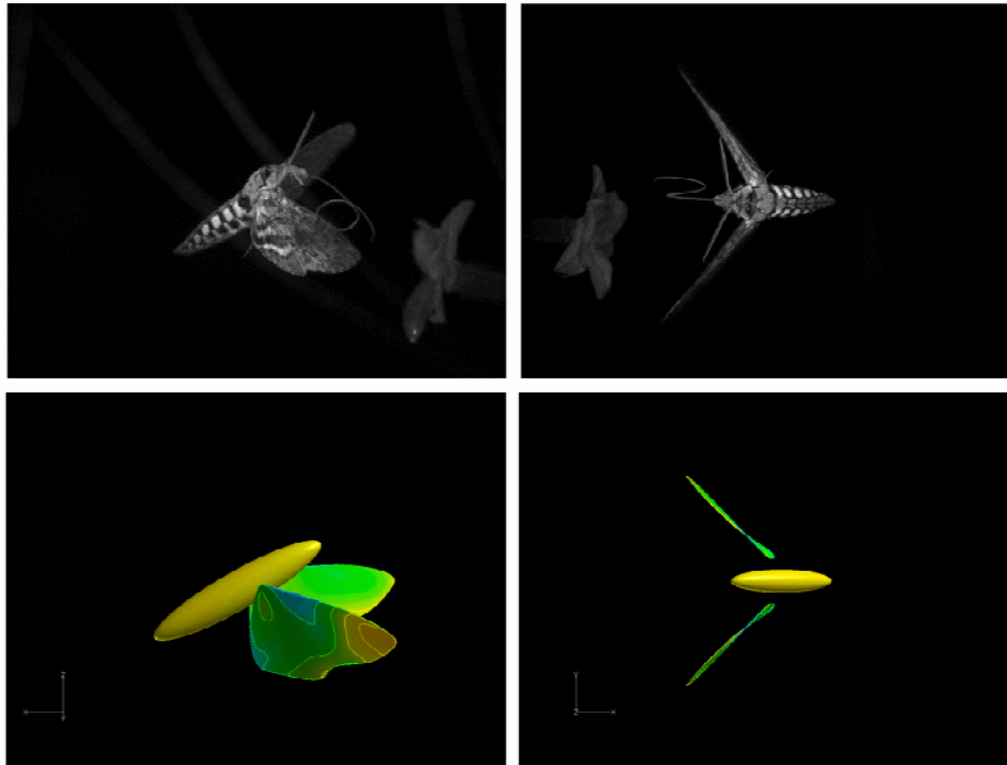
Large snap rotations favored



Optimized fruitfly wing kinematics (235 Hz)



High-Fidelity Analysis



Understanding Complex Physics



- Study Hawkmoth physics using Navier-Stokes (NS) simulation
- Collaboration with AFIT
- Hawkmoth kinematics (hover)
- What's new?
 - OVERFLOW 2.1 Elastic (5th/2nd-order in space/time)
 - Prescribed wing deformations
 - Variations in kinematics
- *Moderate flexibility increases hover efficiency*

Planform	Study	Fx (N)	Fy (N)	Fz (N)
Rectangular	Current Work	7.24e-04	-1.46e-03	7.26e-03
<i>Manduca sexta</i>	Current Work	8.42e-04	-1.65e-03	6.16e-03
<i>Agrius convolvuli</i>	Aono and Liu [1]	1.20e-03	-1.20e-03	8.48e-03

McClung, "Influence of Structural Flexibility on Flapping Wing Propulsion," AFIT Dissertation, April 2009