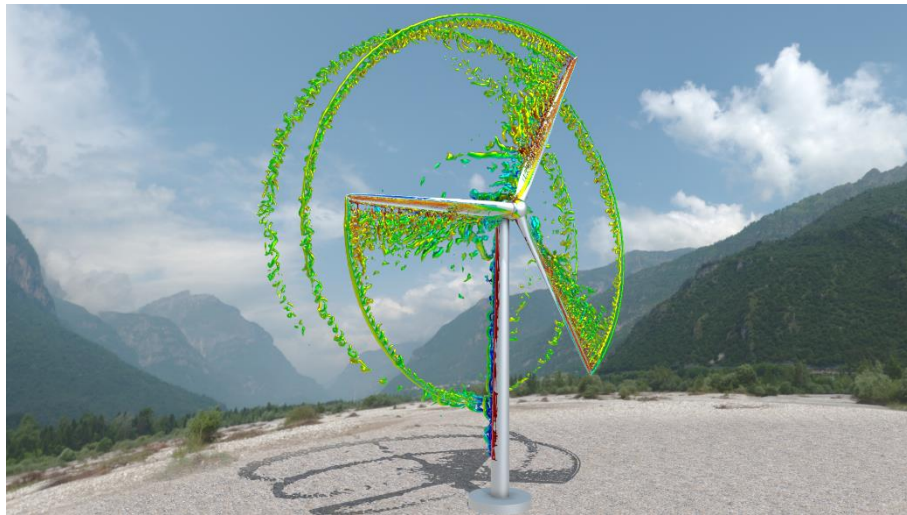




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Wind Turbine Aerodynamics and Aeroacoustics



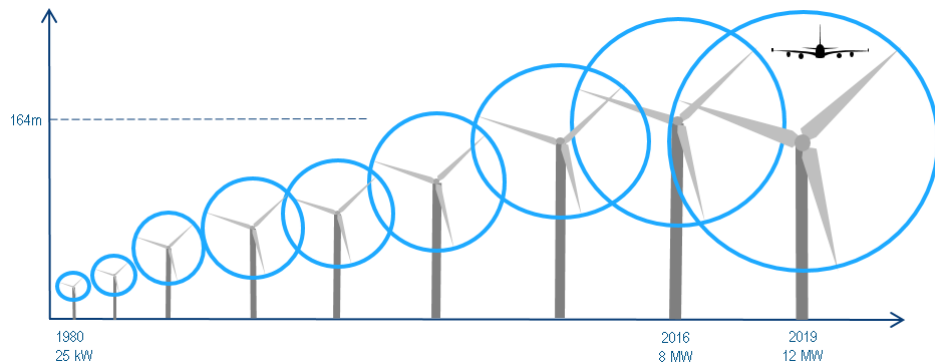
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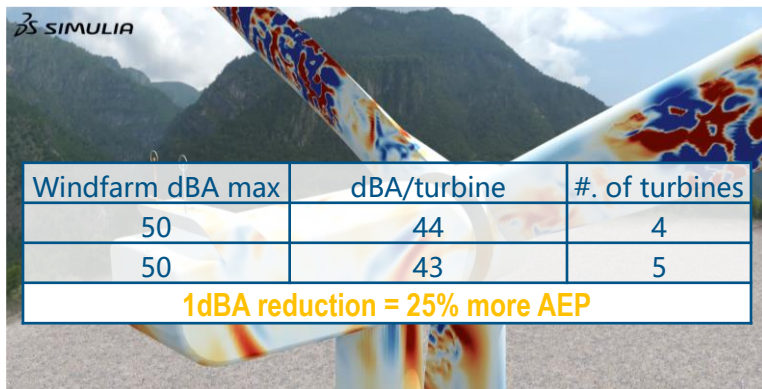
Global Warming

Trends

Increasing Turbine Size



Noise



Challenges

Lowering Cost of Energy

CAPEX

- ▶ Generate accurate load predictions
- ▶ Reduce turbine cost
- ▶ Lower noise
- ▶ Minimize prototypes and testing
- ▶ Decreasing R&D time and resources
- ▶ Enable innovation

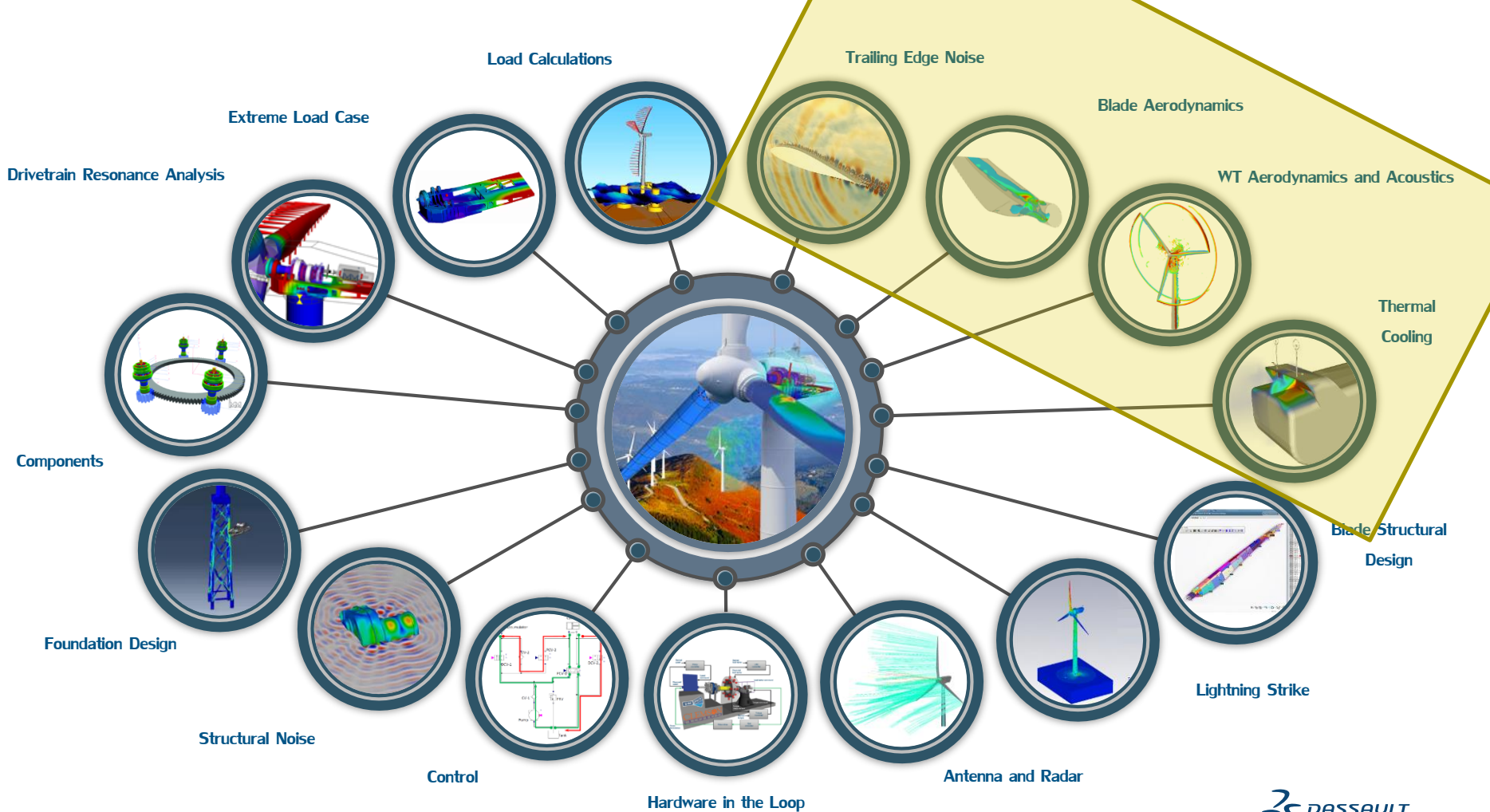
OPEX

- ▶ Avoid risk
- ▶ Maximize turbine output
- ▶ Increase nighttime operation
- ▶ Extend lifetime



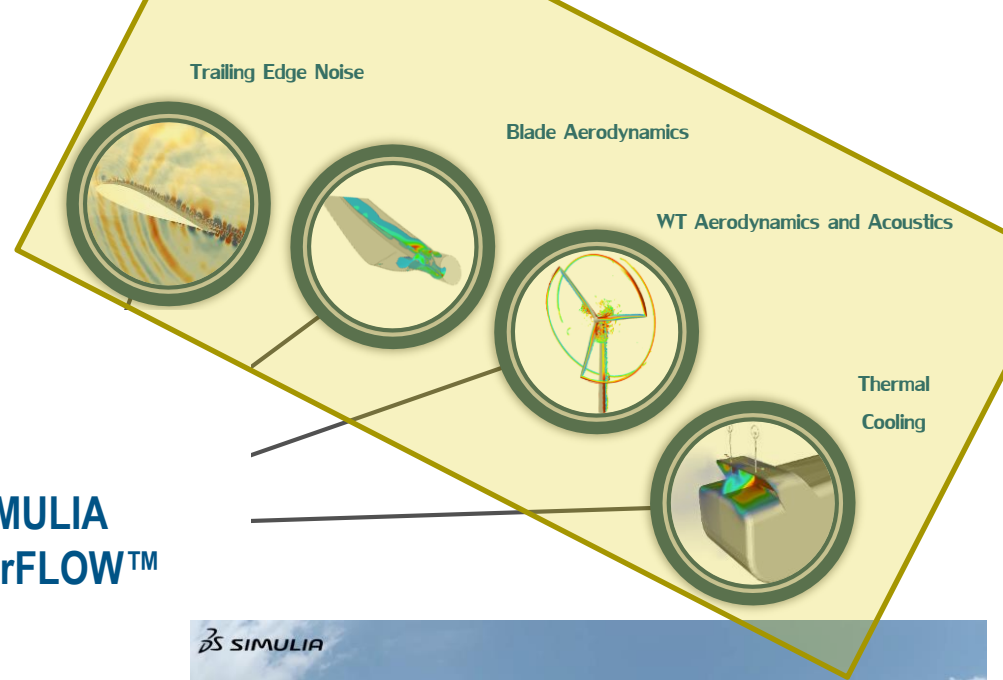
Wind Turbine Engineering





- Wind farm and urban siting
- Wind Turbine aero, thermal & acoustics
- Ducted wind turbines
- Vortex generators
- Icing
- Dynamic stall
- Stall noise
- Tip noise
- Trailing edge noise
- ...

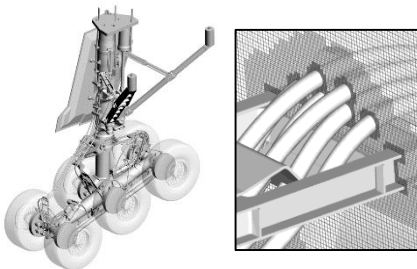
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Why PowerFLOW

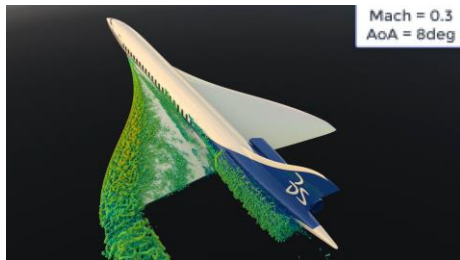
Robust and streamlined meshing

Cut preparation time from weeks to days on fully detailed geometries



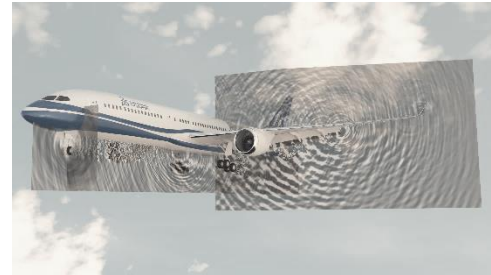
Fast solver

1-to-2 order of magnitude faster than LES for comparable accuracy



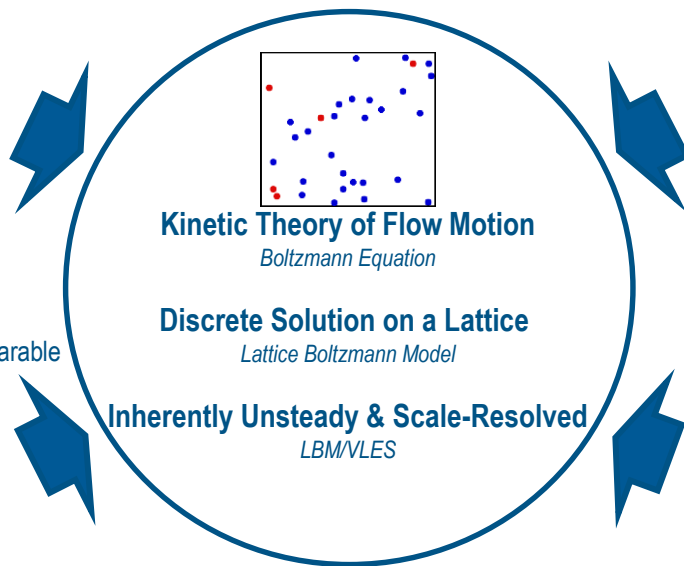
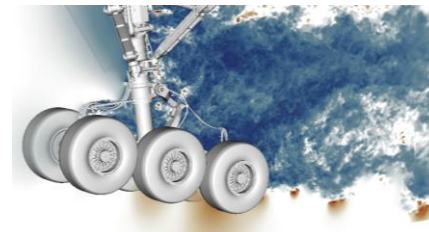
Low Numerical Dissipation

Accurate aeroacoustics near field direct predictions



Complex flows

Ideal for full detailed geometries and off-design



LBM/VLES Foundation in PowerFLOW

Unconventional LB momentum solver:

- ▶ Low-dissipation and stable collision operator
- ▶ Transonic LB formulation
- ▶ Accurate body representation (surfel concept)
- ▶ Porous media with interface effects



Very Large Eddy Simulation model:

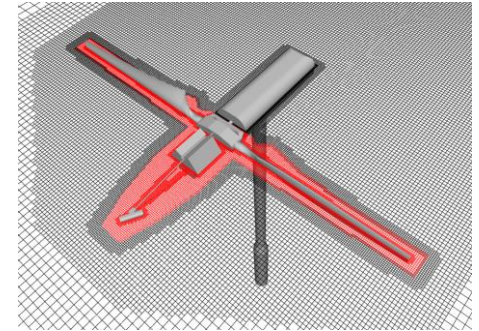
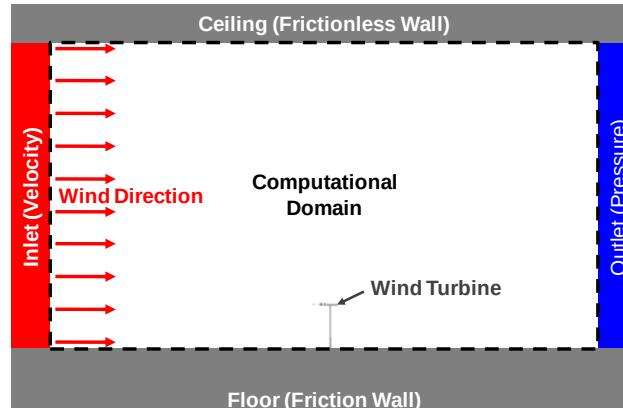
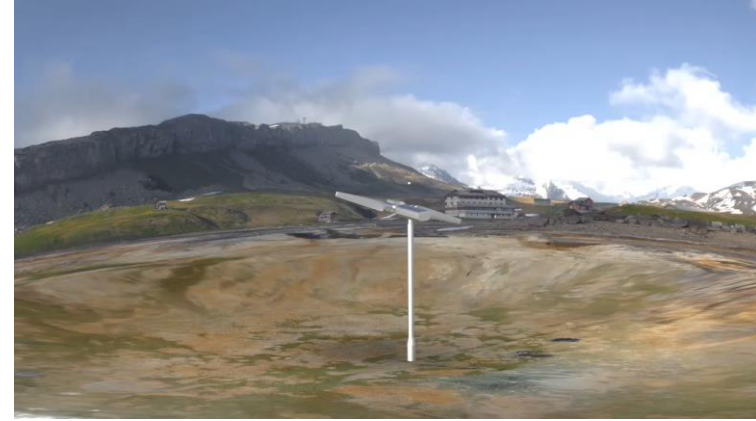
- ▶ Kinetic theory representation of a **gas of eddies** → best establishment of the Boussinesq hypothesis
- ▶ Reynolds stresses consequences of a modified dynamic equilibrium
- ▶ Non-linear (far from equilibrium) and memory effects of unresolved turbulence scales inherently accounted for

Application overview



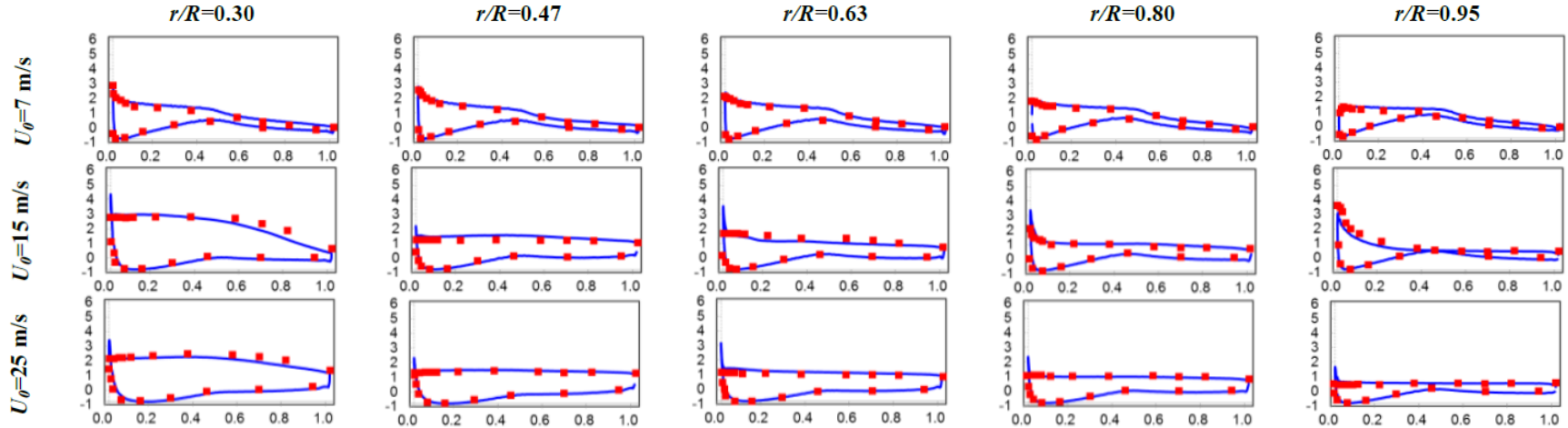
Wind turbine aero, thermal & acoustics

NREL 20kW turbine (1/3)



Wind turbine aero, thermal & acoustics

NREL 20kW turbine (2/3)



Wind Tunnel Speed=10m/s

Pressure Side

Suction Side

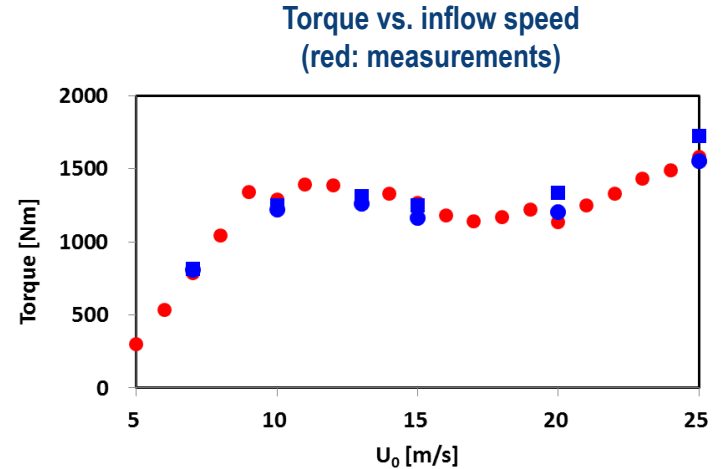
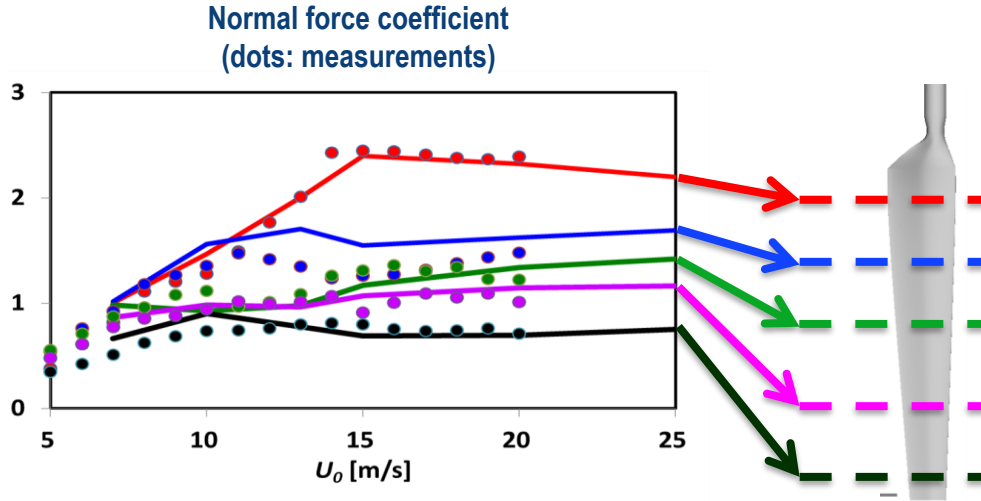
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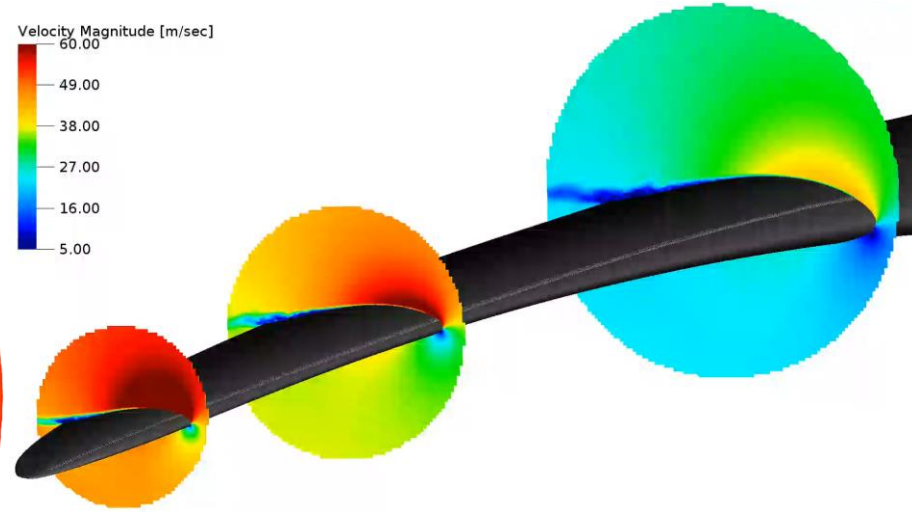
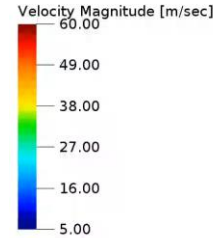
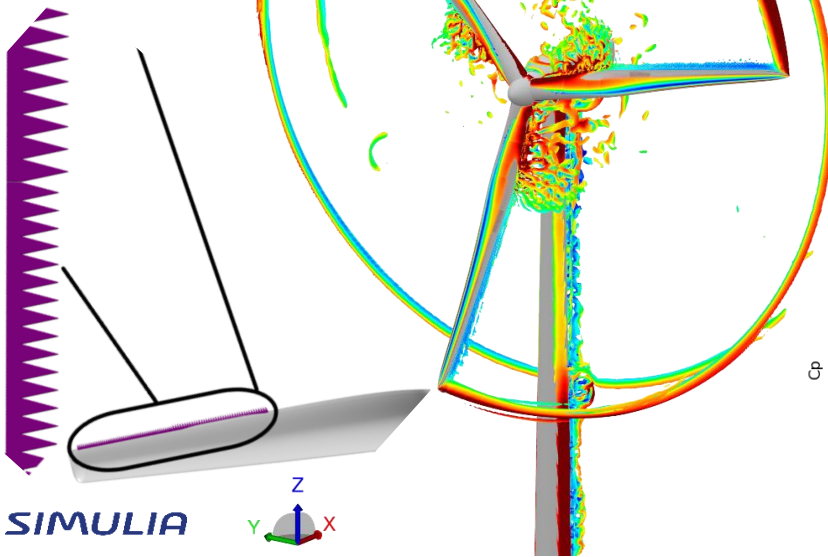
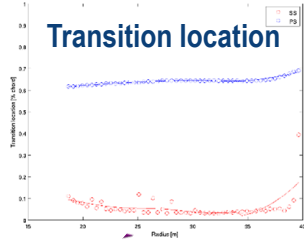
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NREL 20kW turbine (3/3)

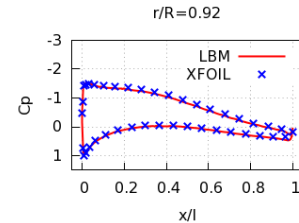
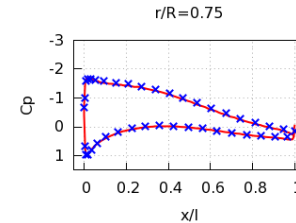
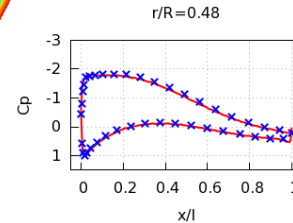


Wind turbine aero, thermal & acoustics

NM80 2.3MW turbine (1/3)

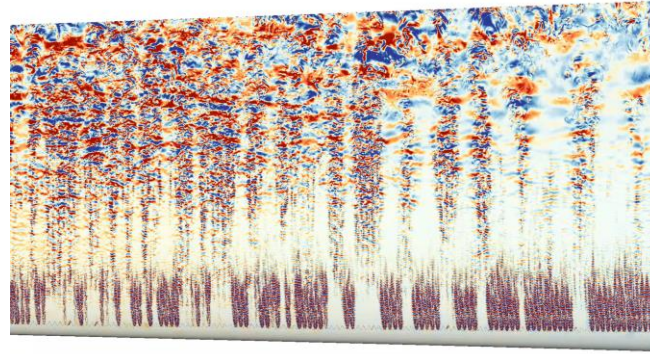
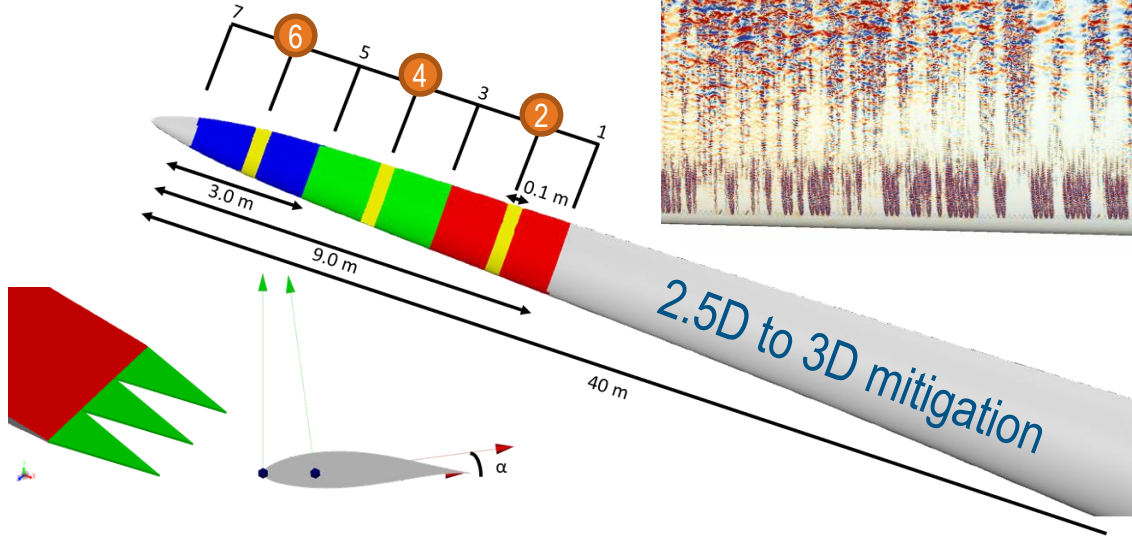


Pressure distribution



Wind turbine aero, thermal & acoustics

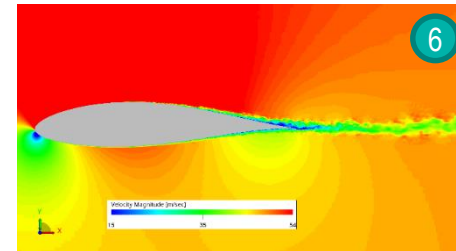
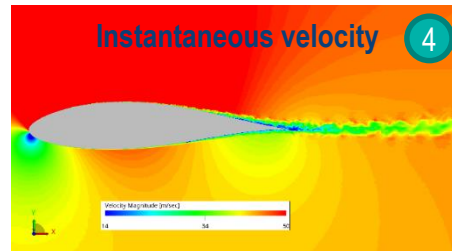
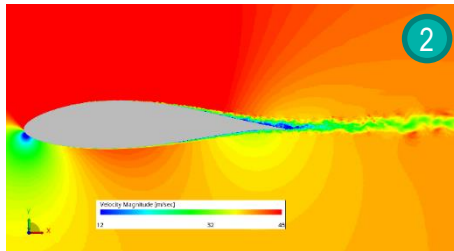
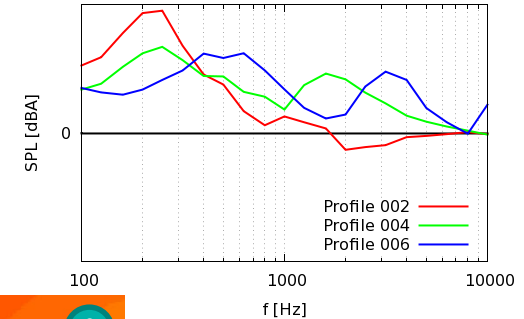
NM80 2.3MW turbine (2/3)



Pressure dilatation field

Far-field noise above trailing edge

Far-field noise @ 1 meter above TE



Wind turbine aero, thermal & acoustics

NM80 2.3MW turbine (3/3)

IEC certification noise includes:

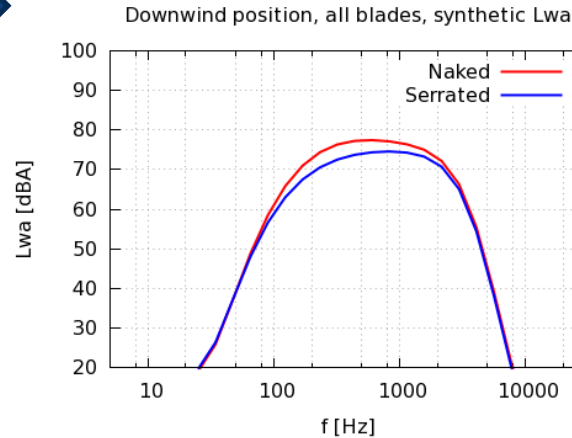
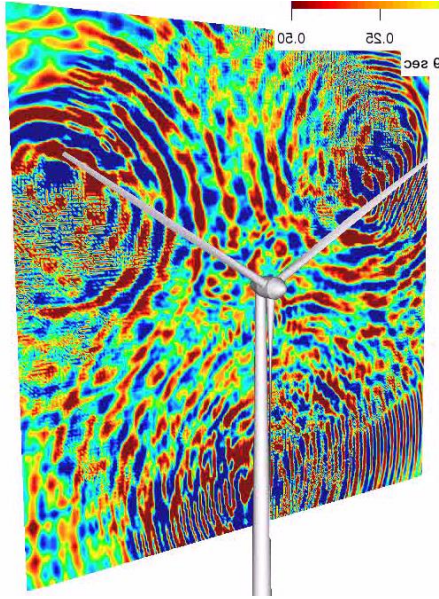
- Realistic noise sources
- Doppler effect
- Atmospheric effect
- Ground reflection



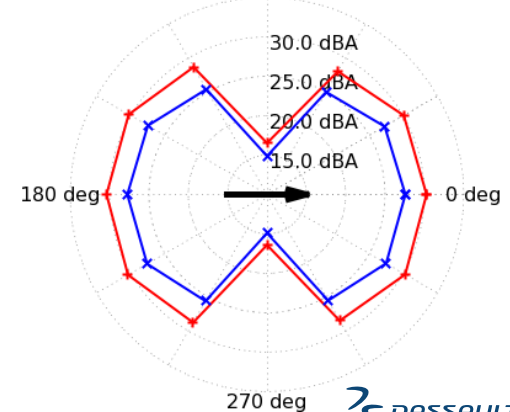
10 m



100 m



All positions, all blades, synthetic OASPL



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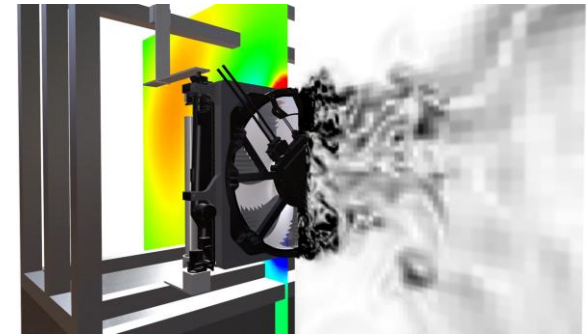
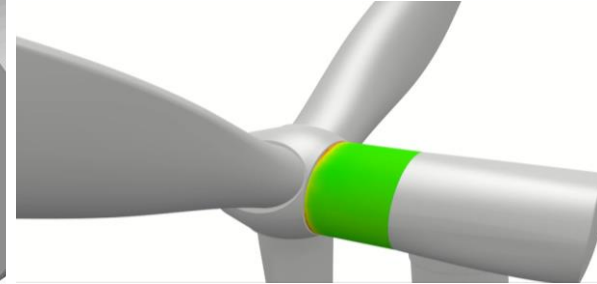
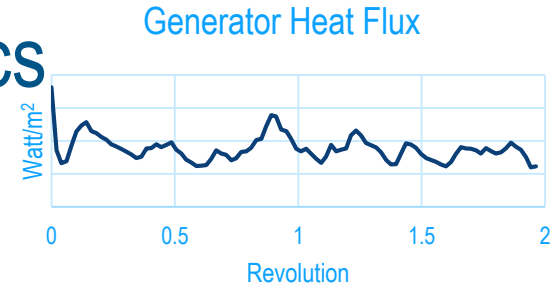
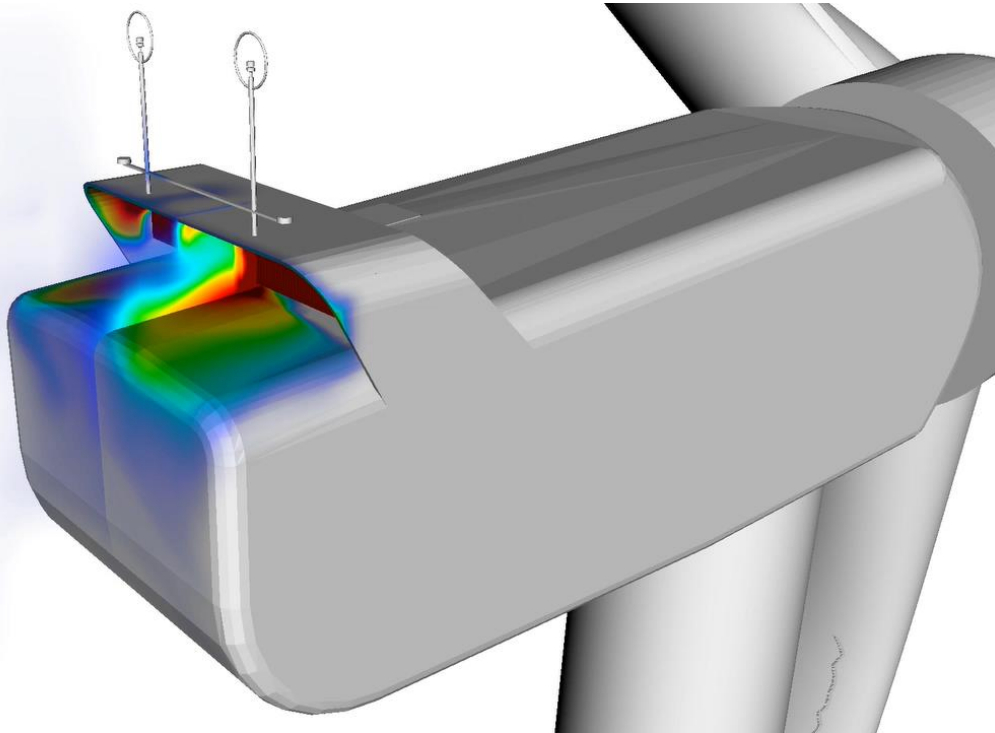
Automated workflow

- ▶ Noise emission and directivity at residents location is automated
 1. Input airfoil data and characteristics
 2. 2.5D trailing edge noise PowerFLOW workflow run employed on SIMULIA Cloud™ (interactive cluster with +60k cores available)
 3. Direct 2.5D output, such as pressure distribution, boundary layer development, near-field and far-field noise
 4. 2.5D to 3D noise mitigation tool
 5. Residents noise prediction



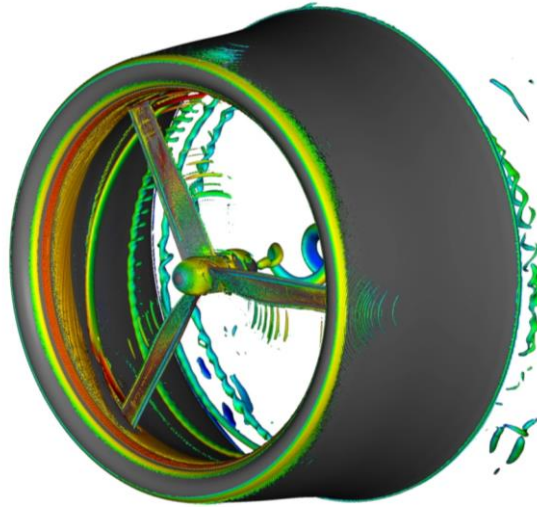
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SANDIA / NREL 5MW turbine



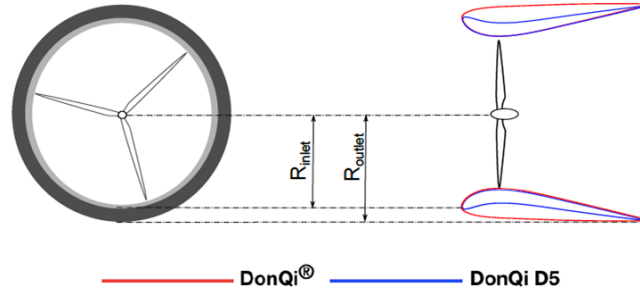
Ducted wind turbines

Diffuser Augmented Wind Turbines

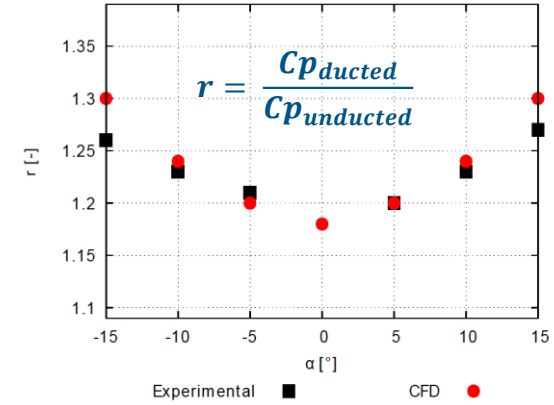


Rotational speed
Reynolds number
Inflow angle

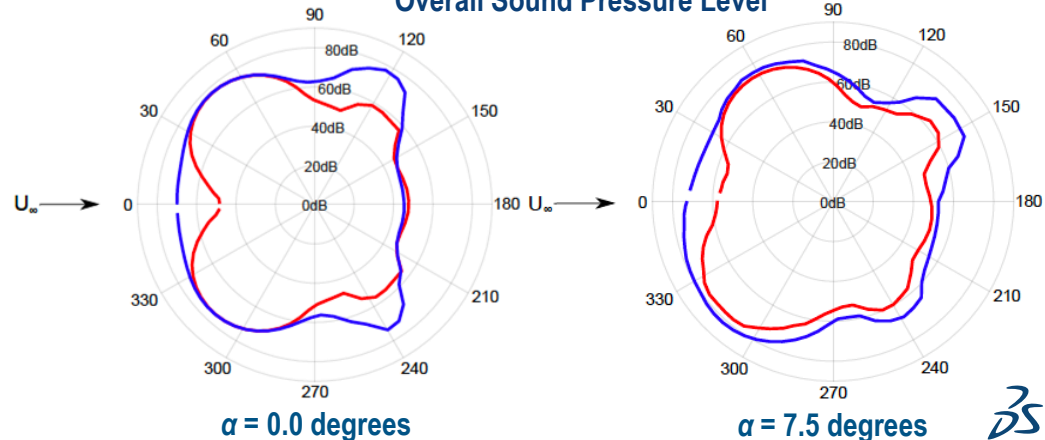
370 RPM
330,000
0 & 7.5 deg



Augmentation factor



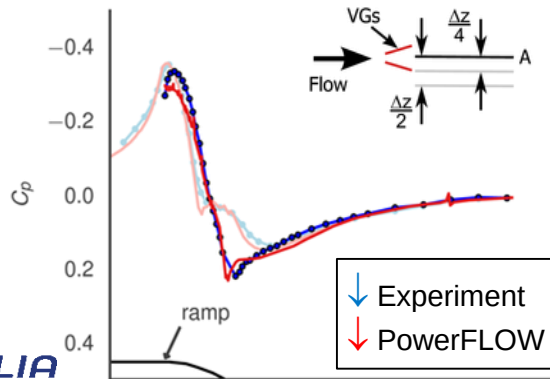
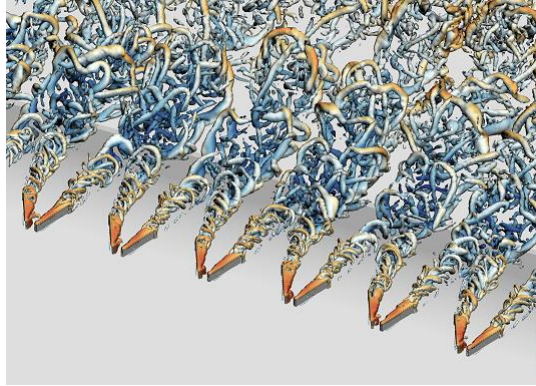
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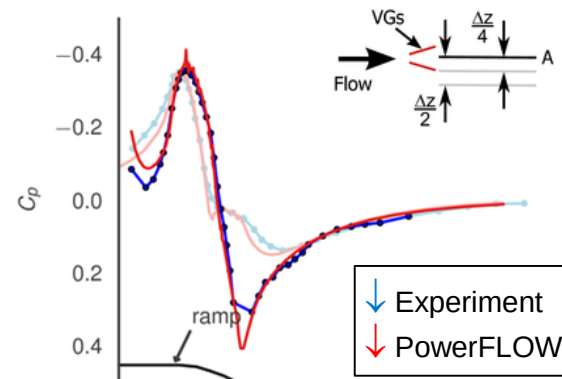
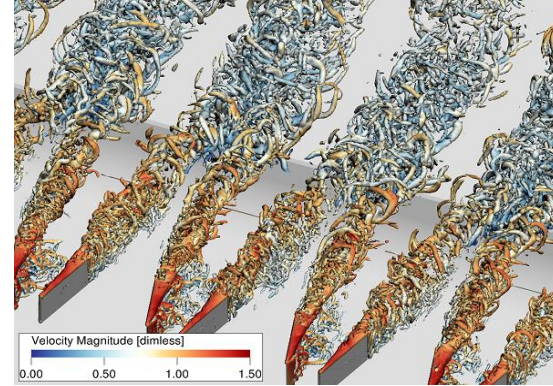
Vortex generators

Backward facing ramp

Sub-boundary layer

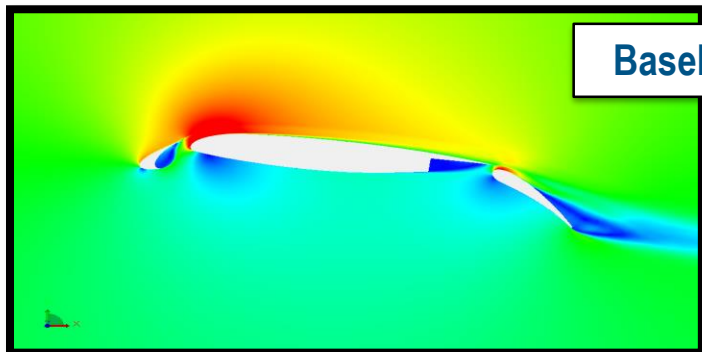


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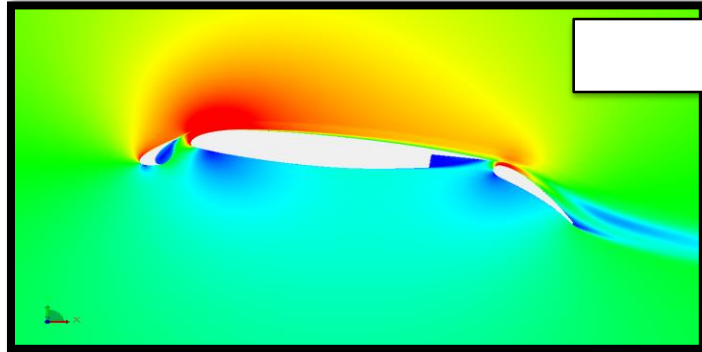
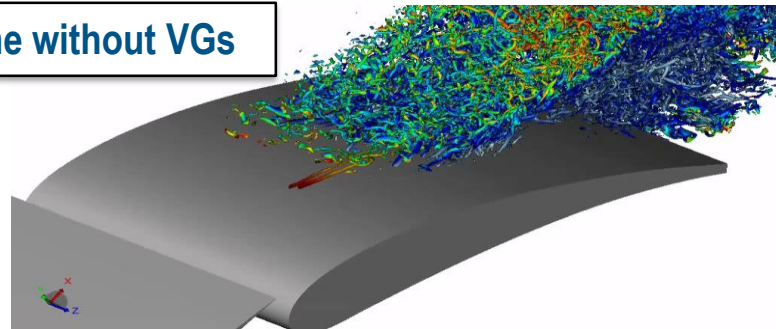


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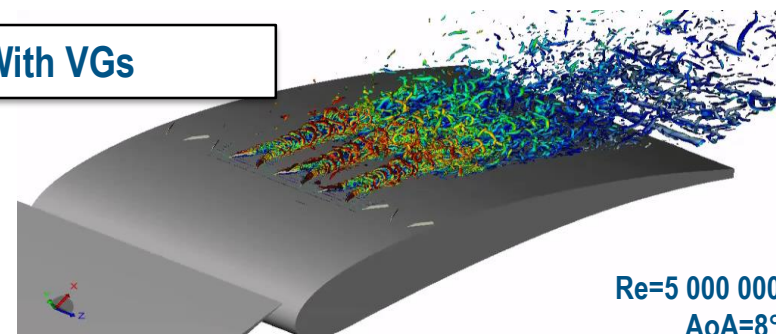
MD30P30N high lift airfoil



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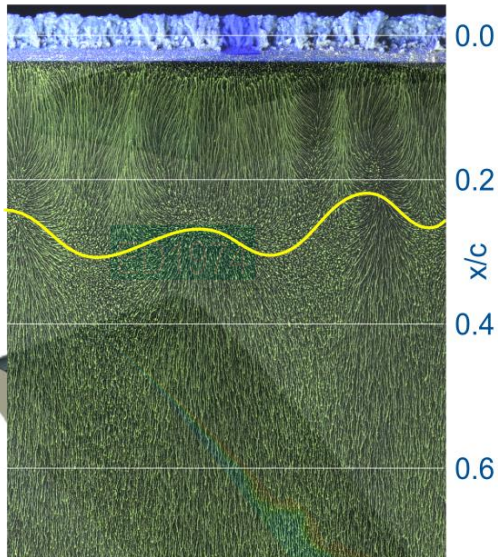
With VGs



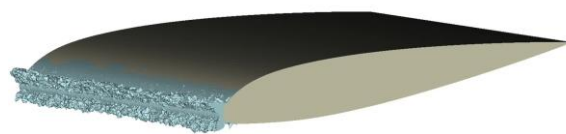
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 $AoA=8^\circ$

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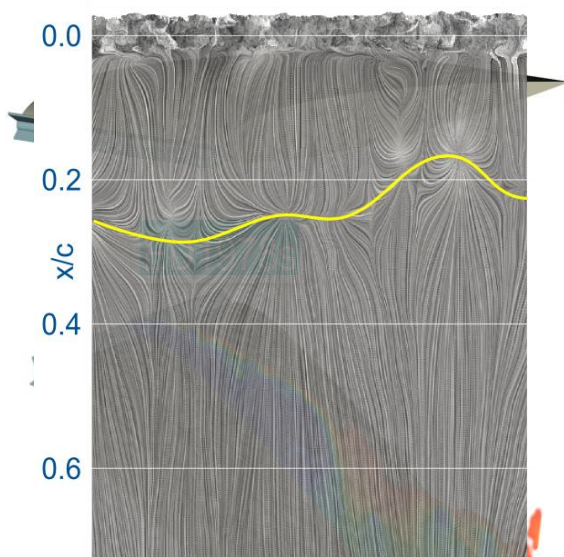
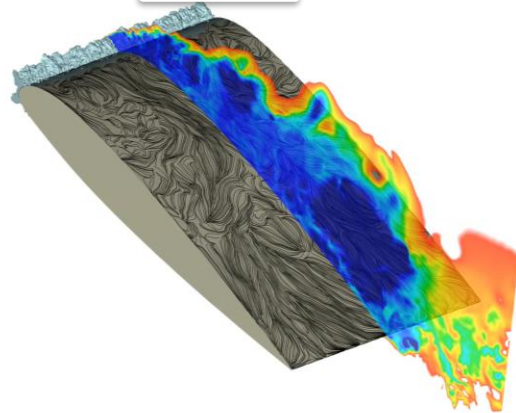
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Wind Tunnel Oil Flow



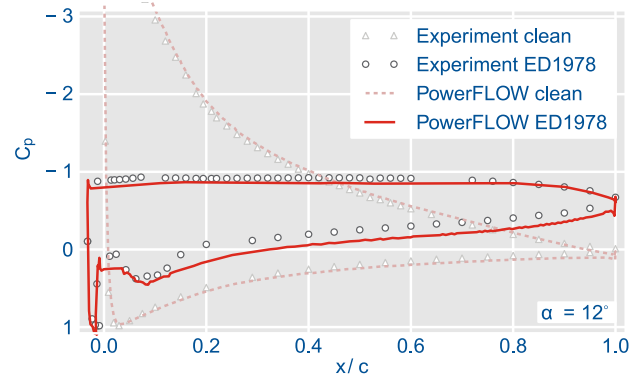
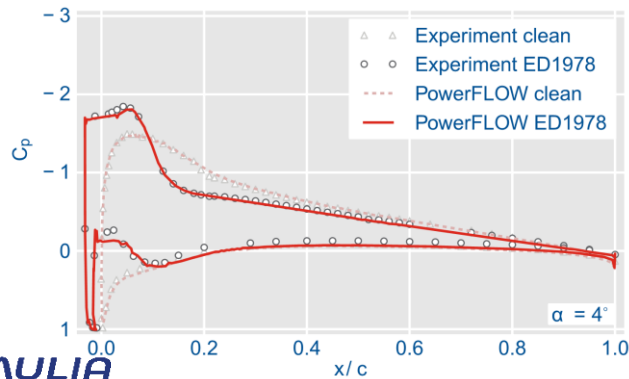
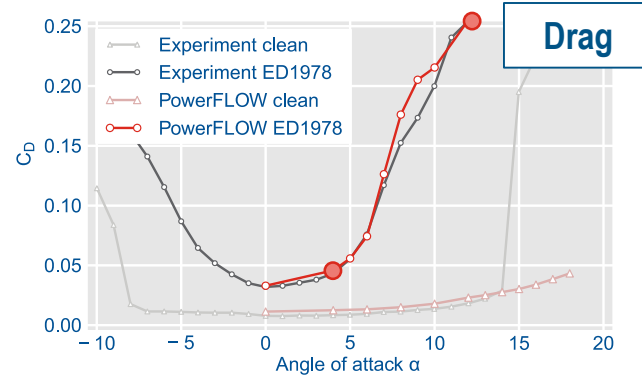
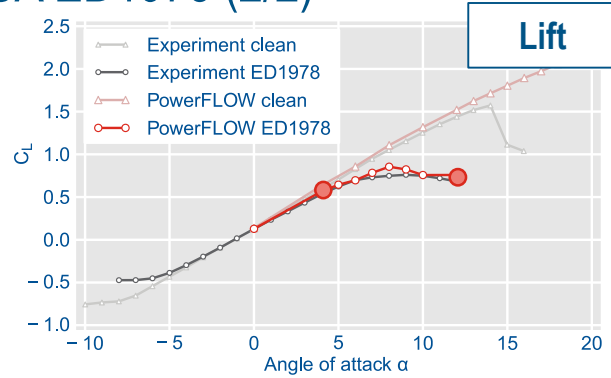
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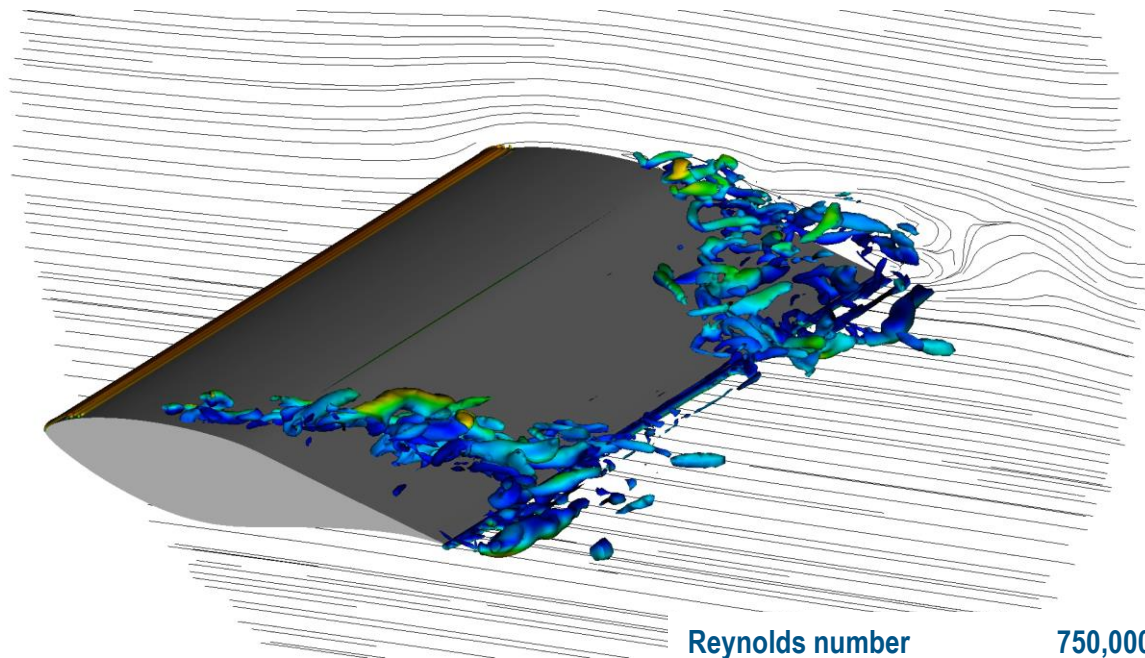
PowerFLOW skin friction lines

Icing

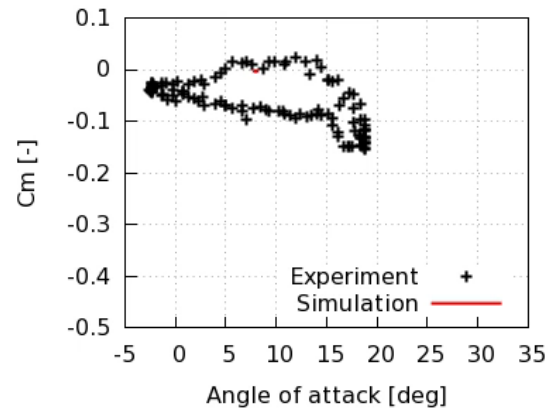
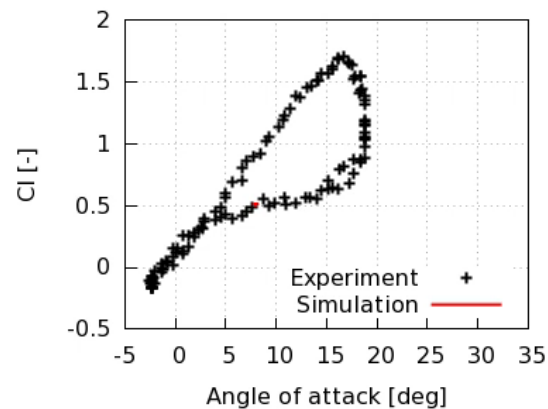
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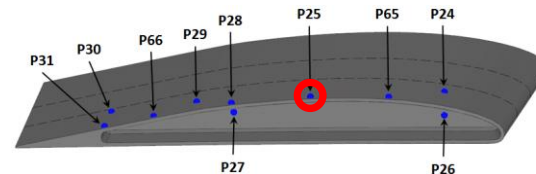
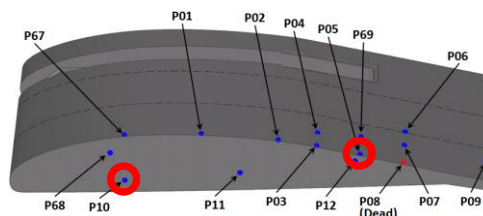
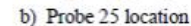
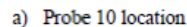
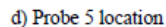
Dynamic stall



Reynolds number 750,000
Mean angle 8 deg
Oscillation angle ± 10 deg
Oscillation frequency 1.8 Hz



d) Probe 5 location



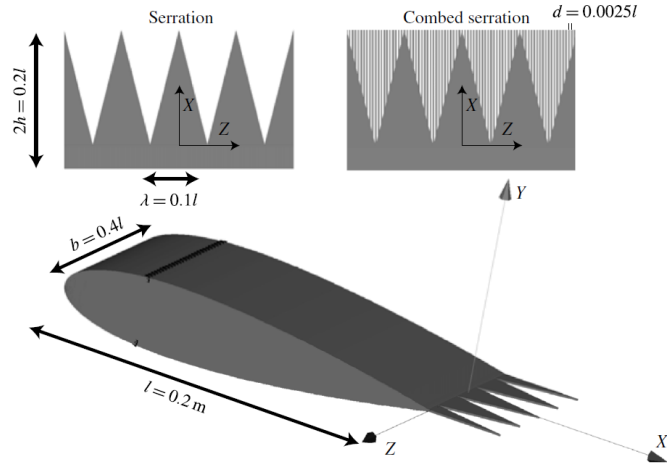
- 18 scale Gulfstream aircraft
- 0.2 Mach
- 3.4 million Reynolds

DU96

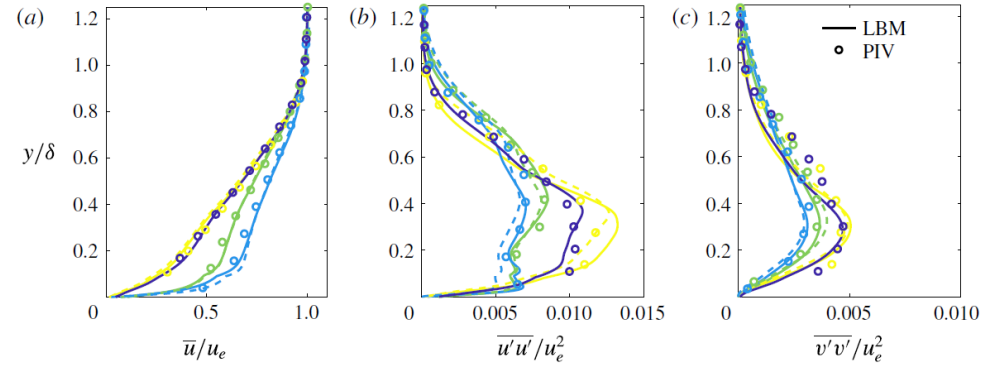


Trailing edge noise

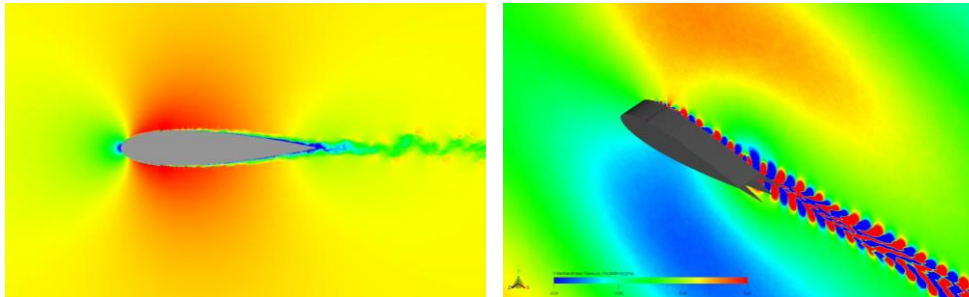
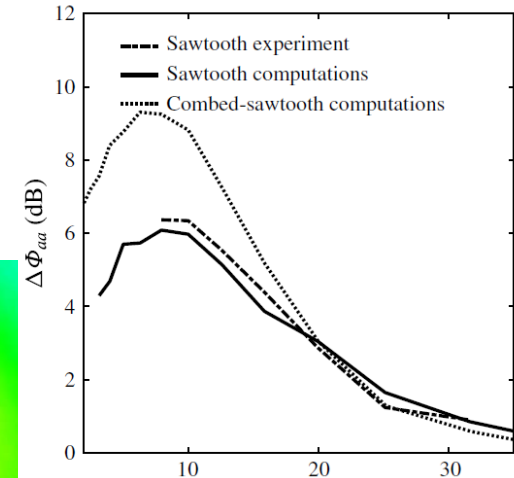
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Trailing edge boundary layer characteristics



Far-field noise delta

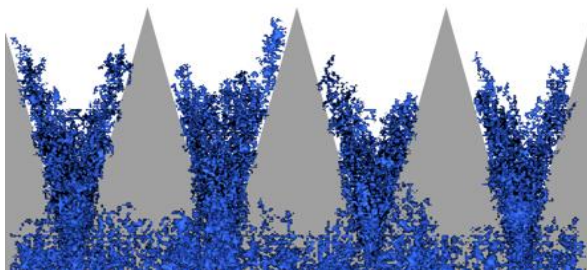
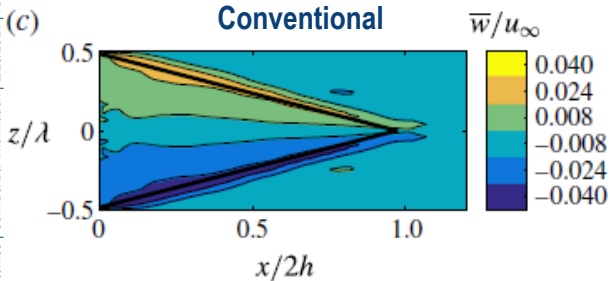


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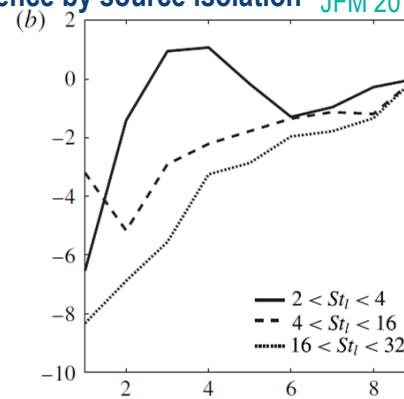
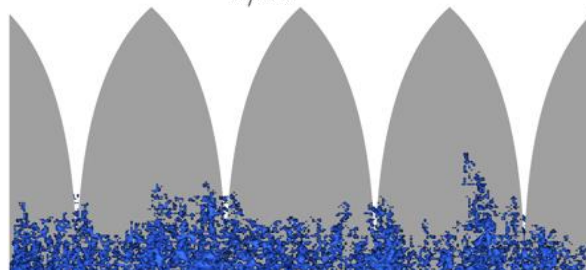
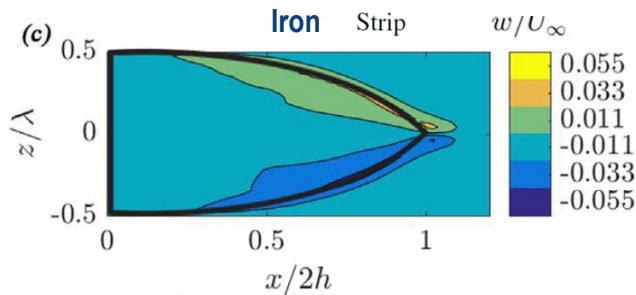
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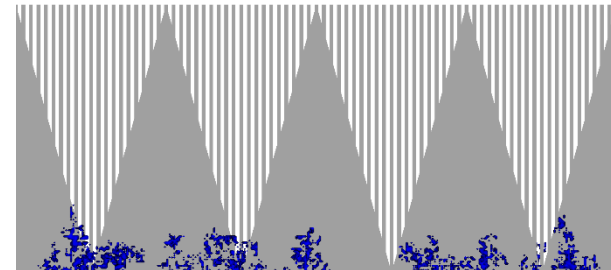
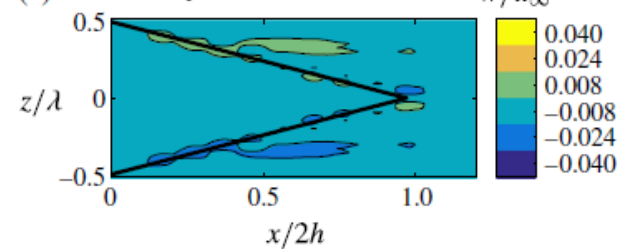
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(c)



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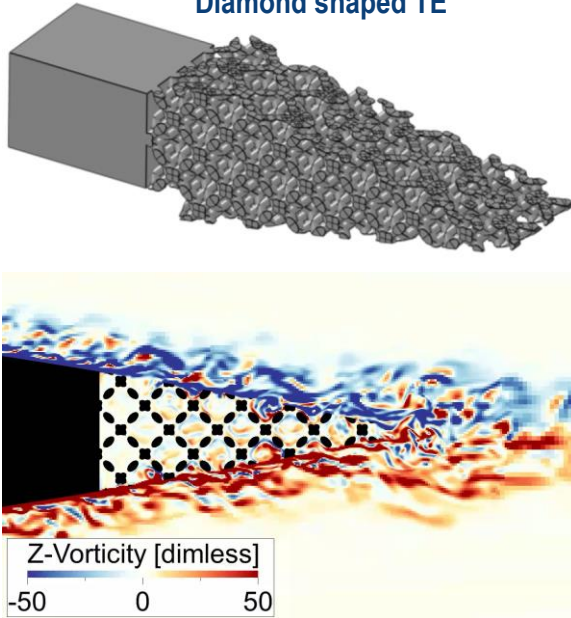


Flow Induced Noise Detection

Trailing edge noise

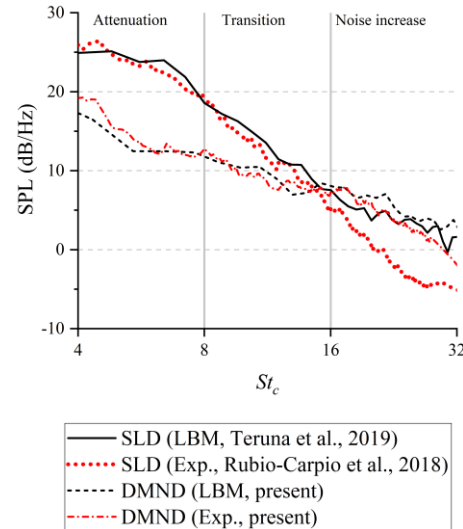
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Diamond shaped TE

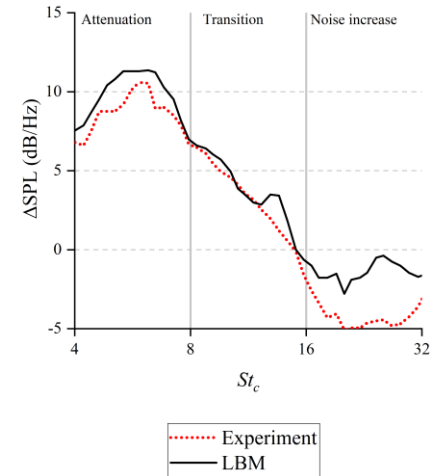


Noise spectra comparison

(a) SLD vs DMND



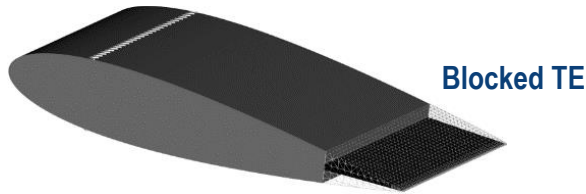
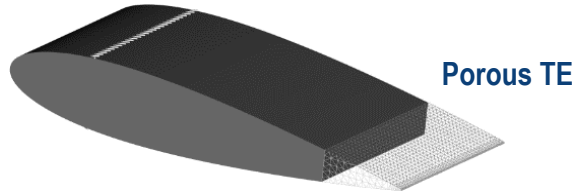
(b) $\Delta SPL = SPL_{SLD} - SPL_{DMND}$



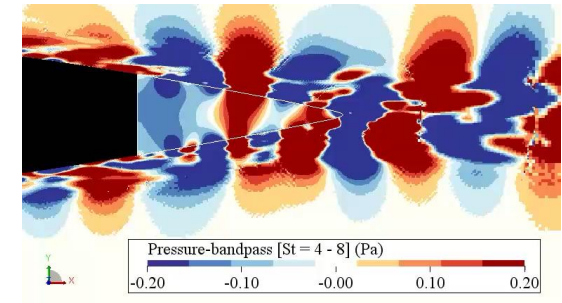
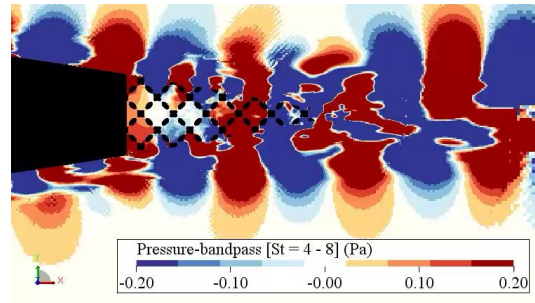
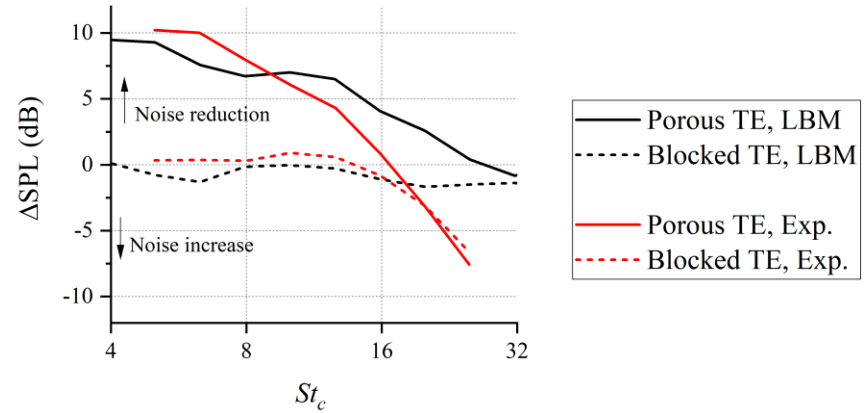
Trailing edge noise

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Simplified representations
using equivalent fluid model



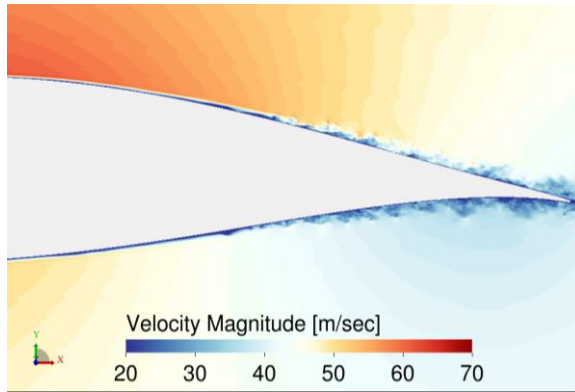
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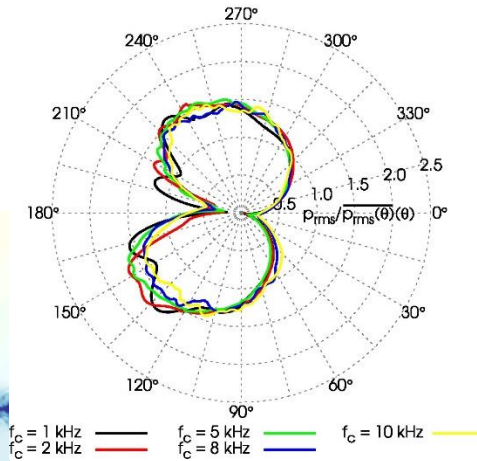
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Free-transitional case

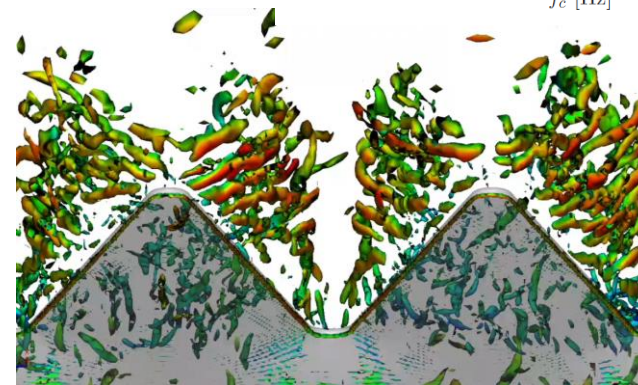
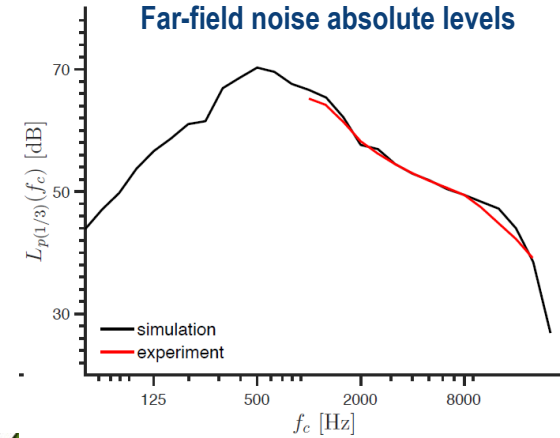


Far-field directivity



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Far-field noise absolute levels



	Case 6			Case 7		
	Experiment	XFOIL	PowerFLOW	Experiment	XFOIL	PowerFLOW
Suction side	0.65	0.62	0.66	0.56	0.52	0.54
Pressure side	—	0.58	0.58	—	0.69	0.72

What have we learned?

- ▶ Detailed fluid portfolio with SIMULIA PowerFLOW for wind turbine aerodynamics and aeroacoustics
- ▶ Automated full wind turbine simulation workflows, covering aero, thermal and acoustic
- ▶ Validated workflows for component level investigations
 - ▷ Vortex generator, icing, stall, tip, trailing edge design



