



The exploration of numerical methods and noise modelling techniques applied to the *Trailing Edge Noise* case with evaluation of their suitability for aero-acoustic design

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Overview

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Aim of current work

Test the capability of CAA stochastic Fast Random Particle Mesh (FRPM) method to predict broadband noise on a benchmark test case – *trailing edge noise*

- *Assess the potential of the FRPM method*
- *Develop the method to overcome current shortcomings...*
- *Provide design trends in days rather than months*

Use high-fidelity ‘state of the art’ LES CFD-CAA to understand the specific noise mechanisms

- *How the stochastic FRPM method may be improved?*

Numerical methods

*FE Discontinuous Galerkin
solver*

Stochastic source generation



Filtering of a convecting white
noise field approach

Requires a steady state RANS
simulation

*CABARET-FD based on
MILES+FWH*

MILES scheme with improved
dispersion and dissipation
properties

High-fidelity LES
simulation

Numerical methods

Pros & Cons

FE Discontinuous Galerkin solver

Much less expensive!

Requires RANS solution to provide 1 point statistics

Less sensitive to mesh type / refinement / solver numerics

RANS uses physics assumptions
(correlations / turbulent energy spectra)

RANS modelling has poor accuracy for
predicting flow separation

No tonal noise components

CABARET-FD based on MILES+FWH

Large scale turbulence resolved rather than modelled

Has the greatest potential to provide accurate, physically realistic solution

Best for understanding the nature of acoustic sources for a specific problem

Computationally expensive

Sensitive to mesh type and refinement

FE DG solver

Quadrature Free Discontinuous Galerkin solver (time domain)

Parallel, unstructured

Acoustic Perturbation Equations – 4 (**APE–4** variant)¹

Low dissipation/dispersion **ADER**² explicit time stepping

Acoustic sources obtained via FRPM method

2D and 3D parallelised FRPM

1. Ewert, R. and Schroder, W., “Acoustic perturbation equations based on flow decomposition via source filtering,” *Journal of Computational Physics*, Vol. 188, No. 2, 2003, pp. 365–398.
2. Toro, E. F., Millington, R. C., and Nejad, L. A. M., “Towards Very High-Order Godunov Schemes,” *Godunov Methods: Theory and Applications*. Edited review, E. F. Toro (Editor), Vol. 3352, 2001, pp. 905–937.

FE DG solver

System of equations of the form:

$$\frac{\partial U(x, t)}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F_j(x, t)}{\partial x_j} = S(x, t)$$

Expand the *solution*, *flux functions* and *sources* in terms of nodal basis functions, $\phi_k(x_i)$

$$U(x, t) = \phi_k(x) U_k(t)$$

$$F_j(x, t) = \phi_k(x) F_{j_k}(t)$$

$$S(x, t) = \phi_k(x) S_k(t)$$

Multiplying by the test function, integrating over the volume, applying integration by parts and the divergence theorem yields:

$$\int_V \phi_i \phi_k \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} dV + \int_{\Gamma} \phi_i \phi_k F_{j_k} n_j dS - \int_V F_{j_k} \frac{\partial \phi_i}{\partial x_j} \phi_k dV = \int_V \phi_i \phi_k S_k dV$$

$$\text{Mass matrix: } M_k = \int_V \phi_i \phi_k dV$$

Further, assuming F_j is linear (computing Jacobian matrix separately to realise QF concept)

FRPM method in a nutshell

RANS $k - \omega$ SST



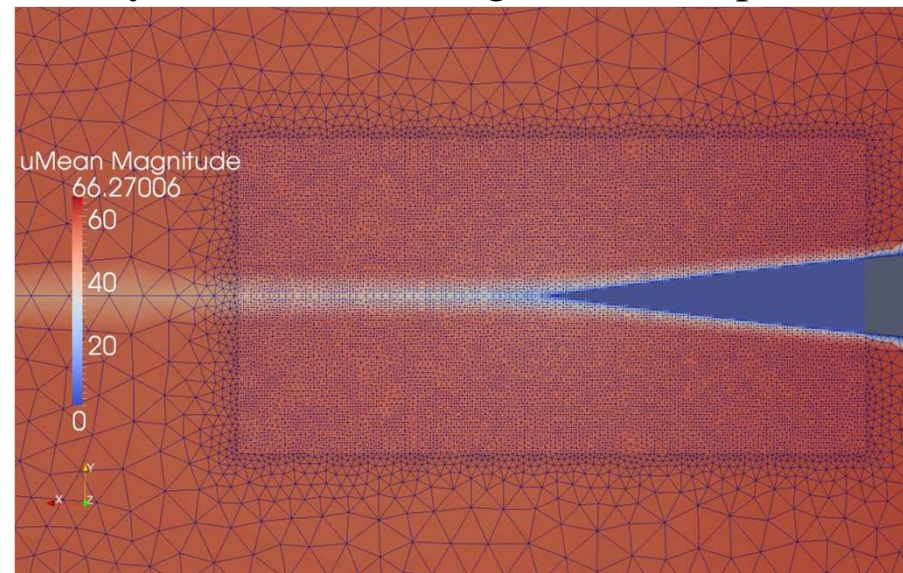
Provide...

*Integral length scale
Turbulent kinetic energy \bar{k}
 ω or ϵ , sound speed,
density, \bar{u} \bar{v} \bar{w} velocities*



Map the mean flow to:

Auxiliary cartesian FRPM grid & CAA prism O-grid



- 1) Seed random particles and convect them with a mean flow
- 2) Interpolate the random numbers onto the neighbouring auxiliary mesh nodes
- 3) Perform the integral $\psi(x, t) = \int_V A G(x - x') \mathcal{U}(x', t)$ at every node

$$\hat{A} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3\pi} \bar{k}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \approx 0.46 \bar{k}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad G(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{\pi x^2}{4 l^2}\right) \quad \mathcal{U} - \text{unity white noise field}$$

FRPM method in a nutshell

Different source models are possible,

‘Source A’³ used here:

$$u' = \nabla \times \psi$$

$$\omega' = \nabla \times u'$$

$$\Omega' \propto \left(1 - \frac{\pi x^2}{2l^2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\pi x^2}{2l^2}\right)$$

$$q = -\{\Omega_0 \times u'\} - \{\Omega' \times u_0\} - \{(\Omega' \times u')'\}$$

APE-4 equations could be written out as following,

$$\frac{\partial p'}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (c_0^2 \rho_0 u'_j + p' u_{0j}) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u'_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(u_{0j} u'_j + \frac{p'}{\rho_0} \right) = q \quad \text{RHS source term}$$

3. Ewert, R., Dierke, J., Siebert, et al., “CAA broadband noise prediction for aeroacoustic design”, Journal of Sound and vibration, Vol. 330, 2011, pp. 4139-4160.

Compact Accurately Boundary Adjusting high-Resolution Technique

Properties

Explicit, second order in space & time

Non-dissipative & low dispersive

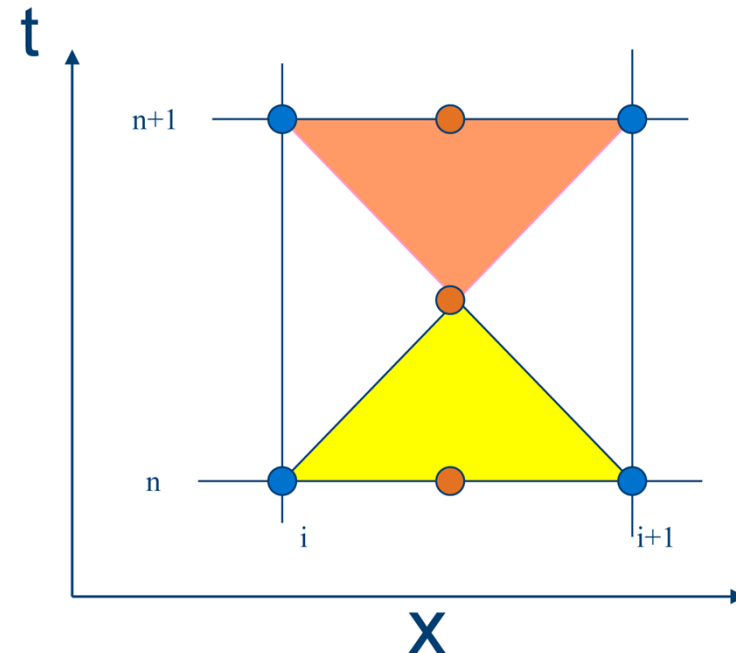
Conservative form

Compact one cell stencil in space & time

Nonlinear flux correction based on maximum principle

Nonlinear flux reconstruction based on the minimum solution variation

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \mathbf{c} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = 0$$



S.A. Karabasov and V.M. Goloviznin. "Compact Accurately Boundary Adjusting high-REsolution Technique for Fluid Dynamics", J. Comput.Phys., 228(2009), pp. 7426–7451.

Computational Cases

- 1) **CASE#1 BANC Workshop**
DG FE – FRPM
NACA0012, $c = 0.4$, $U_\infty = 56 \text{ m/s}$
 $M = 0.1664$, $Re = 1.5M$
 $T_\infty = 281.5K$, $\rho = 1.181 \text{ kg/m}^3$,
 $P_\infty = 95429 \text{ Pa}$, $AoA = 0^\circ$ sharp TE,
untripped
- 2) **Experiment of Brooks,
Pope and Marcolini (1989)**
CABARET – LES
NACA0012, $c = 0.1524$, $z = 3c \text{ exp.}$,
 $z = 0.1c \text{ sim.}$,
 $M = 0.1150$, $Re = 408k$
 $AoA = 0^\circ$ sharp TE,
untripped

Computational Mesh – *Case 1*

C-grid hexahedron type in 2D incorporating a single element width in spanwise direction

216 mesh points per side of the aerofoil ~80 of 216 on the LE per side (~5% of the chord)

117 mesh points in the far-field (normal direction)

Target y^+ of 1

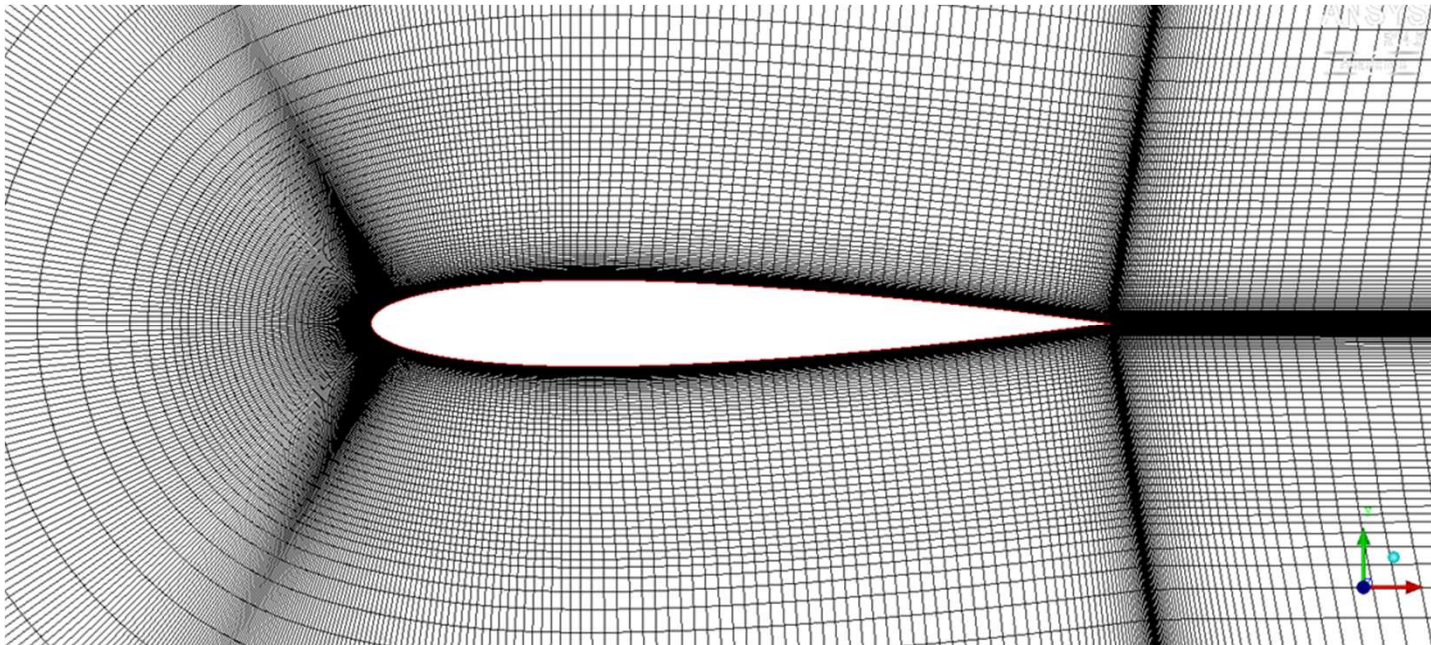
Far-field boundaries 25c away from the aerofoil

Maximal element expansion ratio

~5-10% on the aerofoil surface

up to 30% in the far-field

68k elements in total per 2D layer



Computational Cases

Resources comparison

Case 1

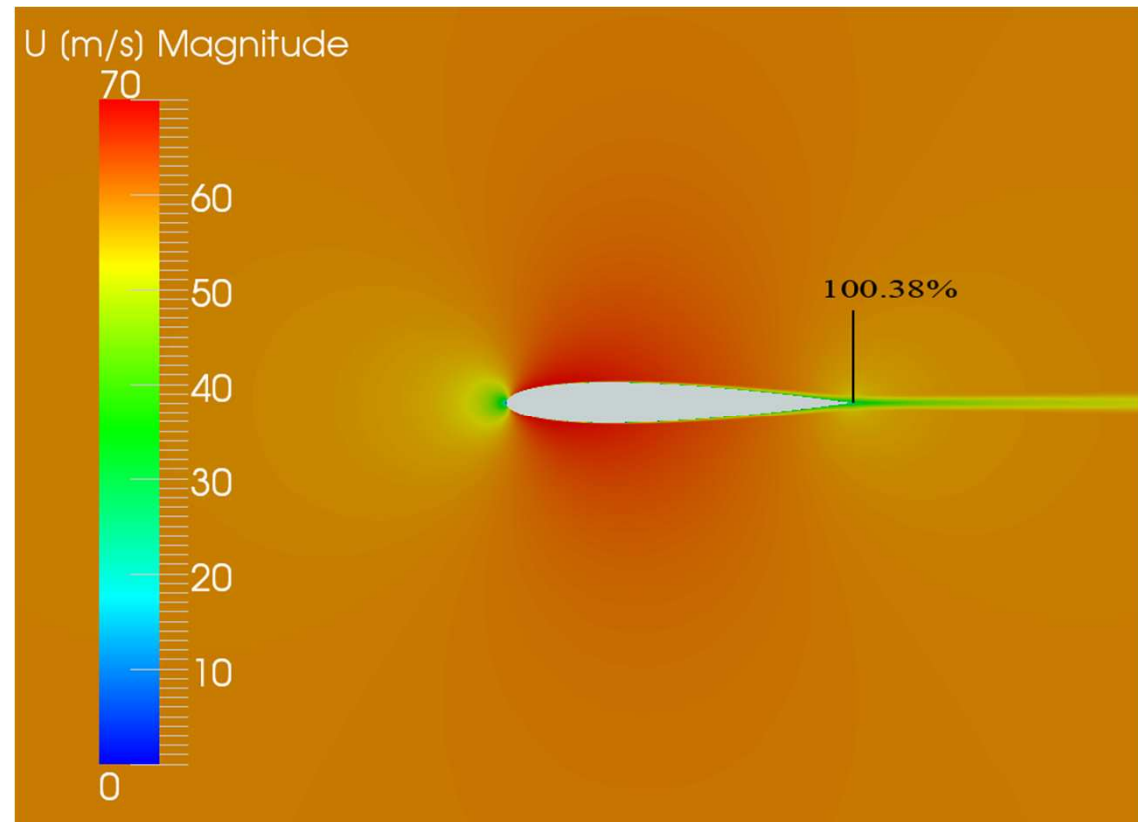
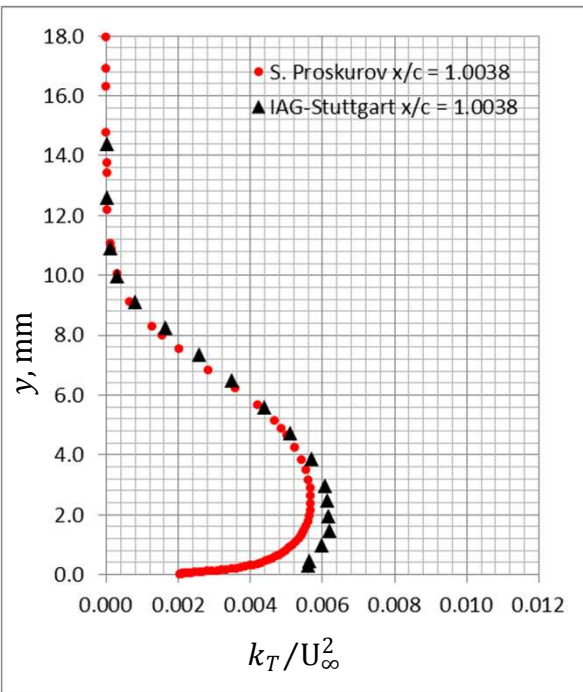
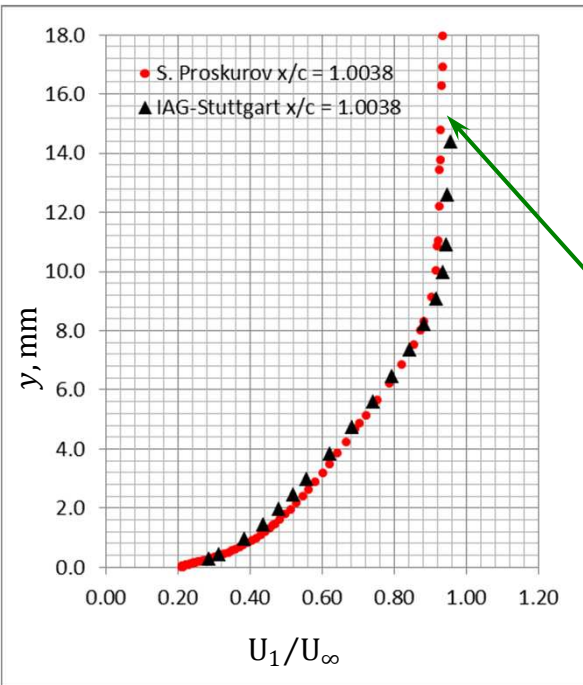
Case 2

<i>CFD</i>	RANS $k - \omega$ SST	LES
<i>Mesh</i>	68,000 cells (2D)	8.2 M cells
	single core	2880 cores (HECToR)
<i>Time</i> (wall clock)	10 min.	240 hours
<i>CAA</i>	32 cores (4 assigned to FRPM and 28 to CAA) ~24 hours	

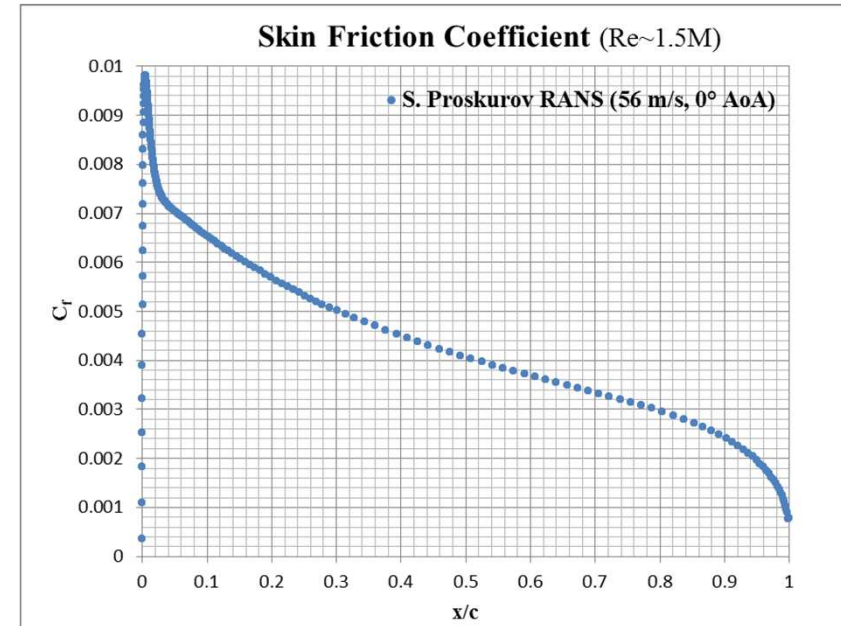
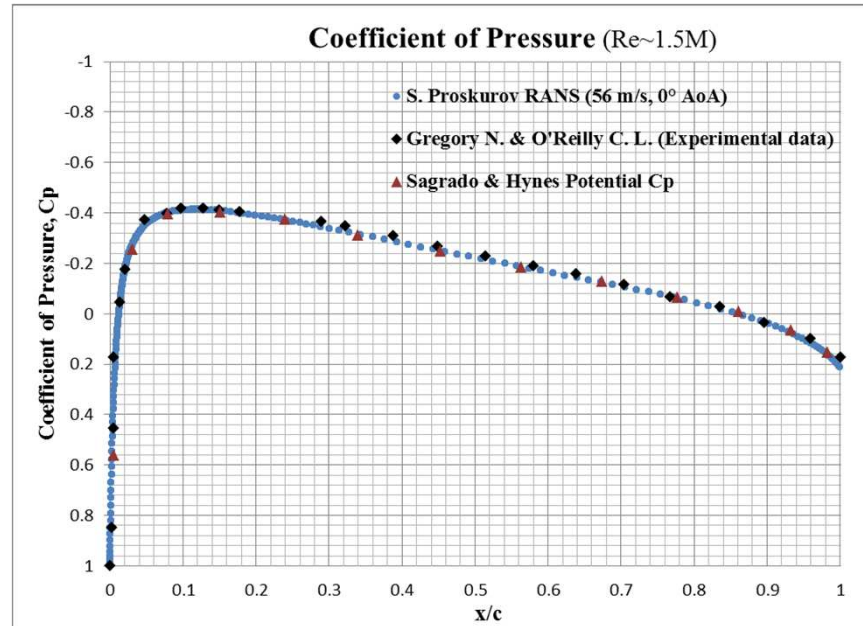
Results

Near-field results – *Case 1*

Inflection point at $y \sim 14\text{-}16\text{ mm}$

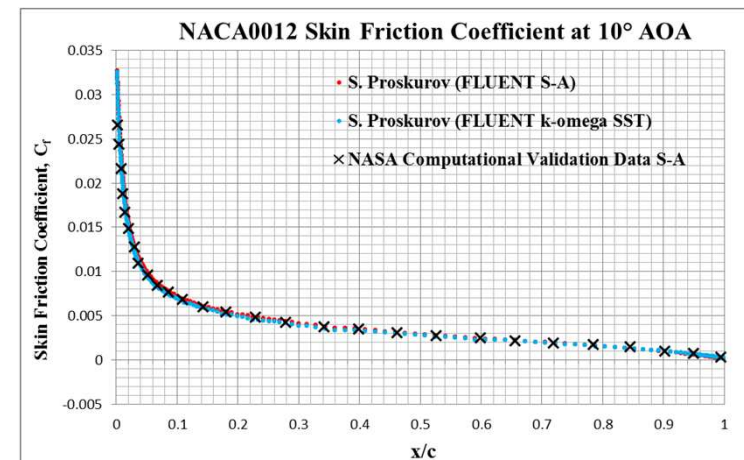
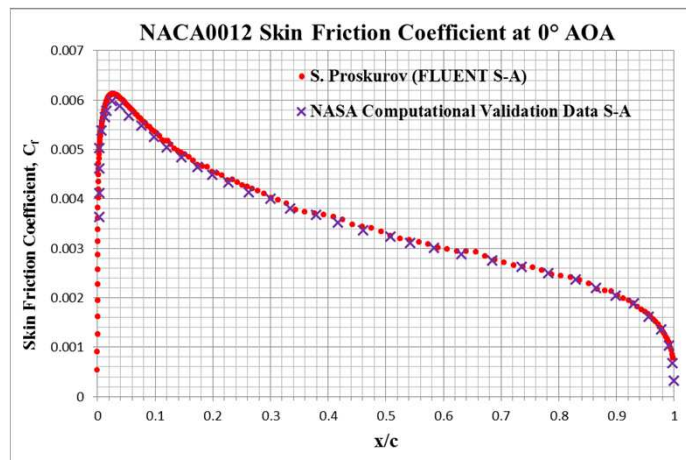


Results



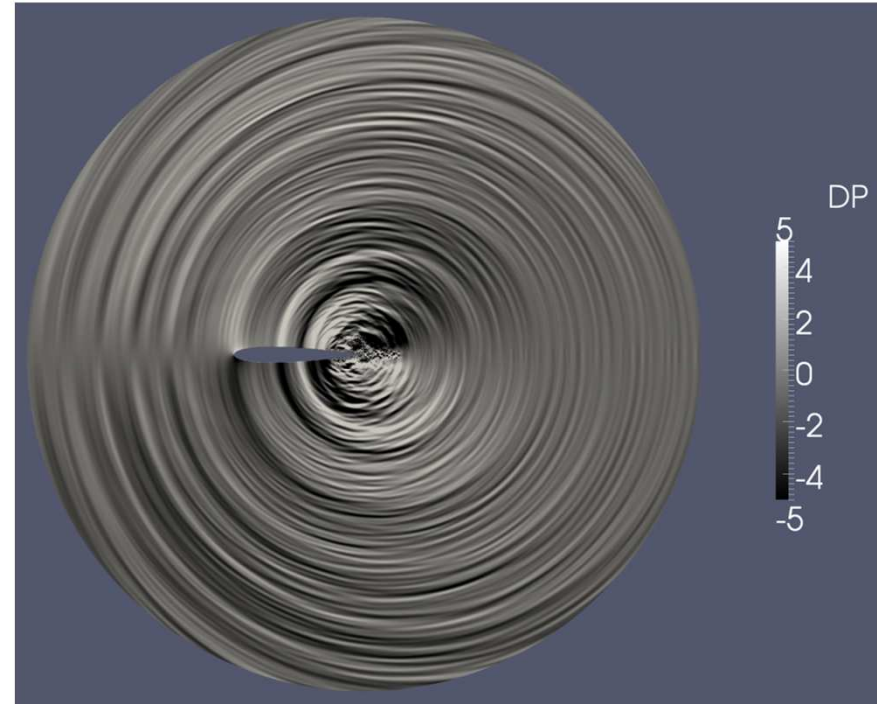
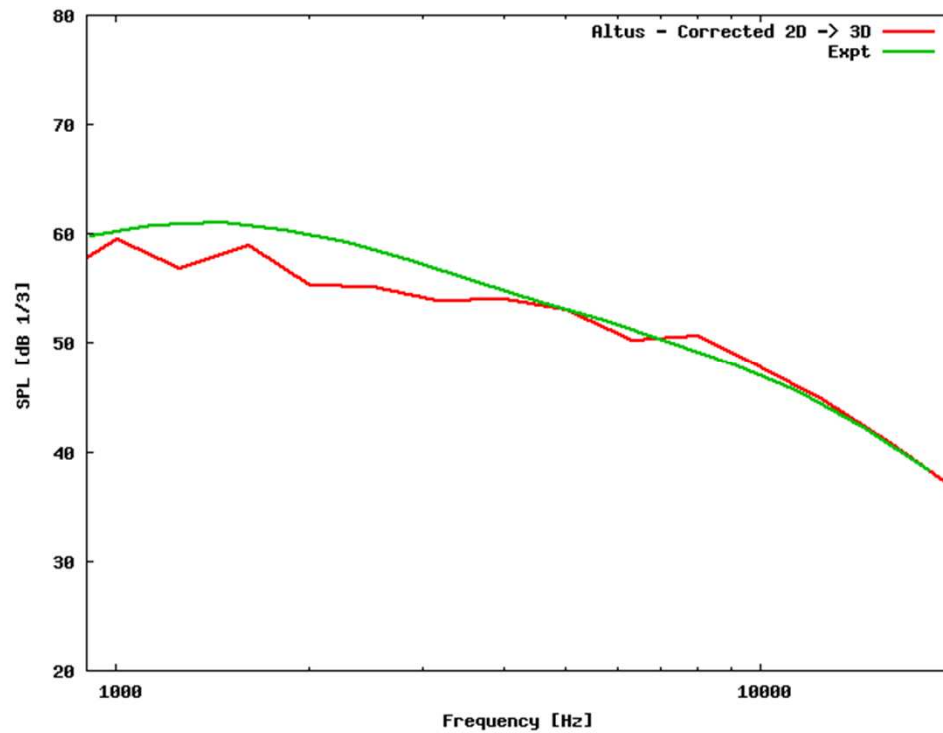
C_f NASA validation case:

NACA0012,
 $c = 1.52$, $U_\infty = 59$ m/s
 $M = 0.17$, $Re = 5.97M$
 $T_\infty = 288.16$ K,
 $\rho = 1.225$ kg/m³,
 $\mu = 1.7894 \times 10^{-5}$,
sharp TE



Results

Acoustic results – Case 1

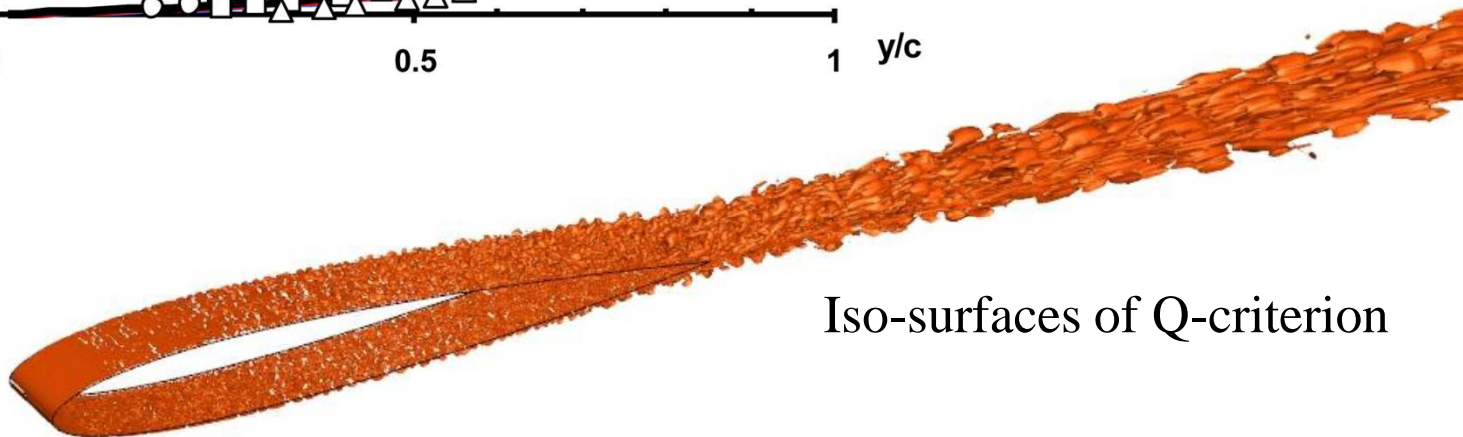
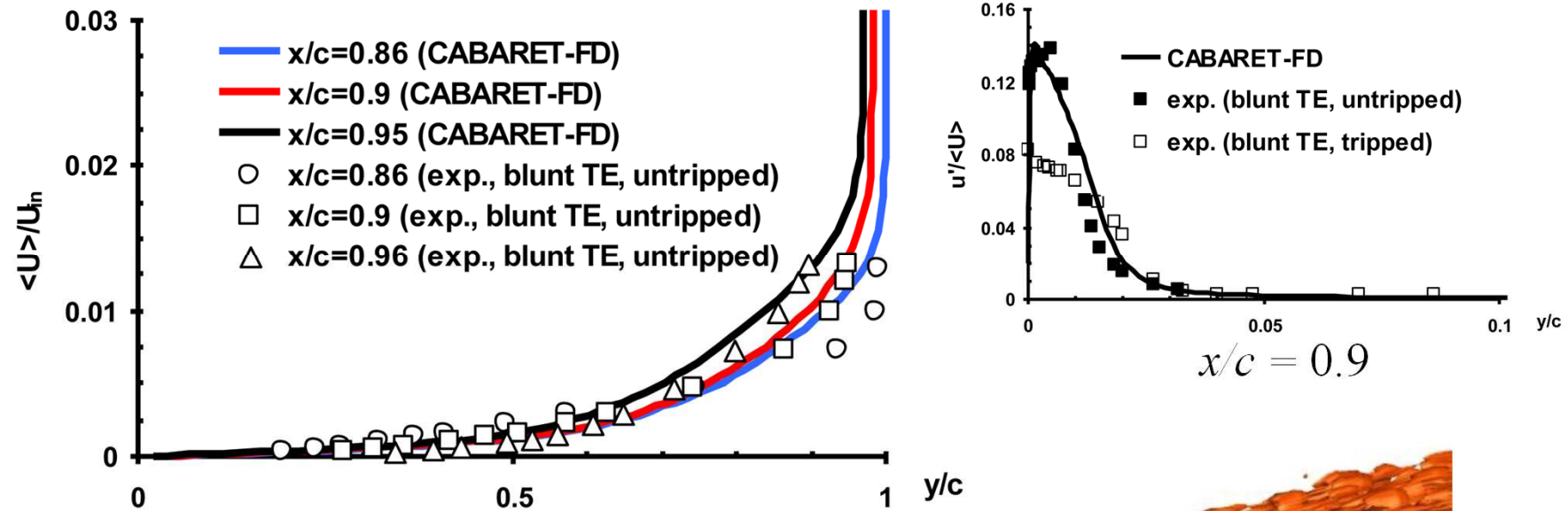


Instantaneous acoustic pressure field

green - DLR 60 m/s, *red* - our 56 m/s

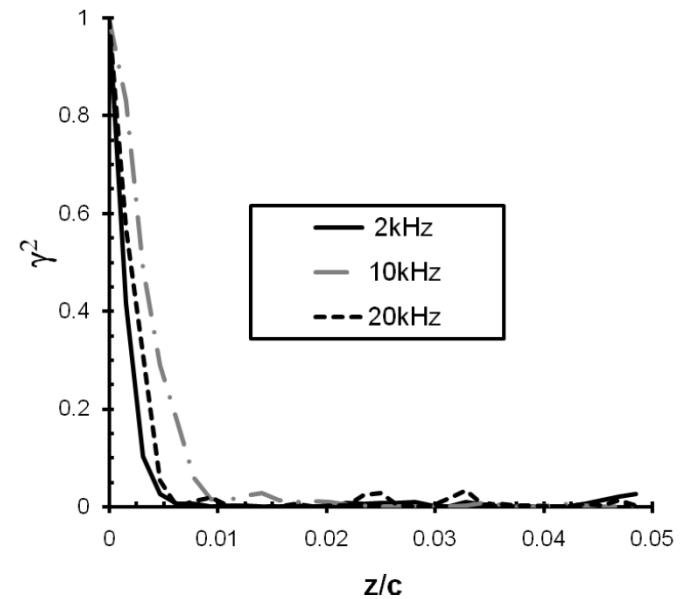
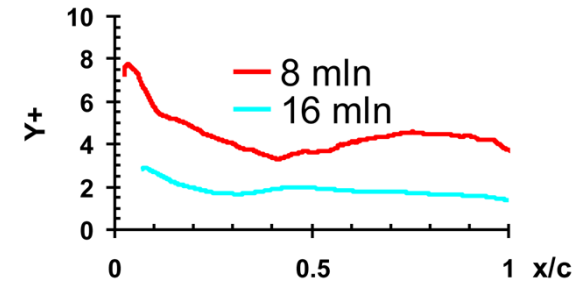
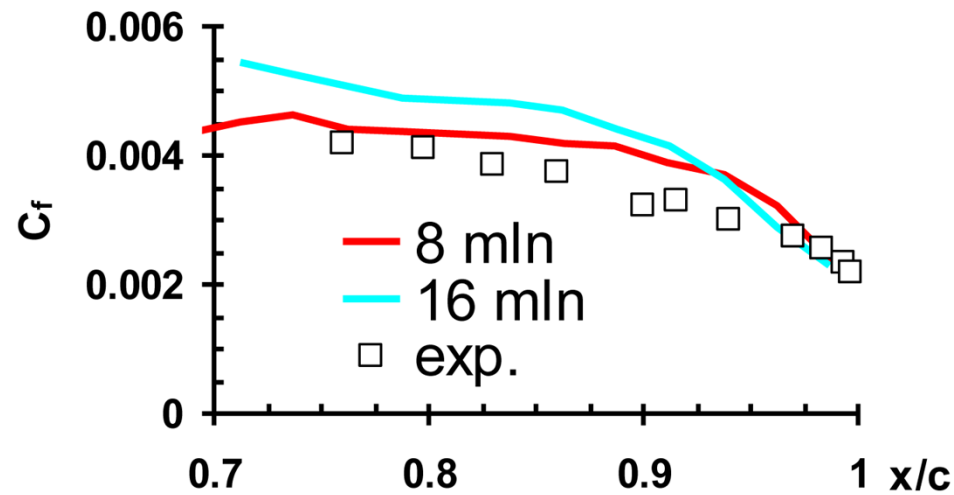
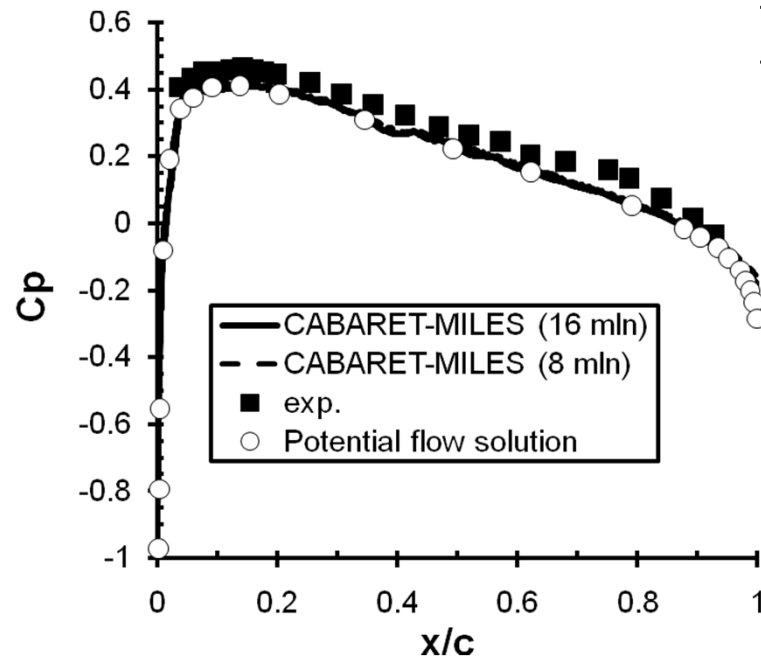
Results

Near-field results – Case 2



Iso-surfaces of Q-criterion

Results

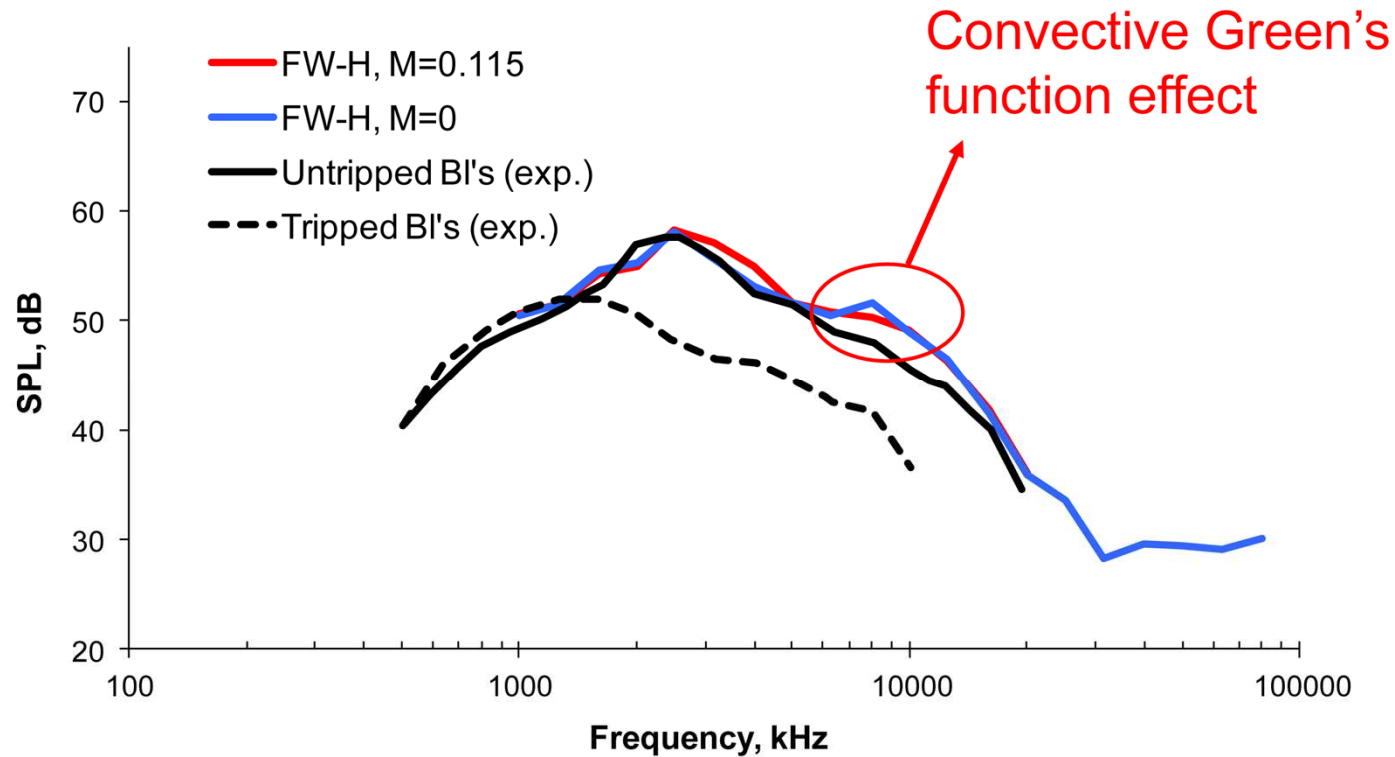


Pressure coherence function at $x/c = 0.95$

Fluctuations become uncorrelated quickly in spanwise direction, typical of high Re number flows

Results

Acoustic results – *Case 2*



Sound pressure level at observer location $x = c$, $y = 8c$, $z = 0.5c$

V.A. Semiletov and S.A. Karabasov, "CABARET scheme for computational aero acoustics: extension to asynchronous time stepping and 3D flow modelling", *Int. J. Aeroacoustics*, 13 (3-4): 321 – 336, 2014.

Conclusions

FRPM method provides the quick prediction of broadband noise levels that showed the similar trend as experimental results for the *trailing edge noise* case

FRPM method has a great potential to study design optimisation
LES simulation can be used to verify the noise levels of the final design.

Confidence in modelling is gained by using:

Two different CFD approaches

Two different acoustic source models

Two different acoustic codes & equations

High-fidelity LES may be used to provide realistic
correlations / turbulence energy spectra / length scales
to improve the FRPM method

Thank you!



Questions?