

# Computational Aerodynamic Analysis of Threedimensional Ice Shapes on a NACA 23012 Airfoil

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# Background





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 To-date CFD analysis has been performed on, 2D crosssections, 3D extrusions of 2D cross-sections, and 3D ice shapes generated by ice accretion codes



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### Motivation

- Complex 3D ice shape geometry data can now be collected
  - In-situ laser scans of ice accretion shapes
  - CAT scans have also been performed
  - Complete ice shape documentation, including surface roughness elements
- How good is good enough?
  - What level of ice shape detail must be simulated by ice accretion codes?
  - Detailed analysis of the aerodynamics and heat transfer mechanisms at the ice-liquid-air interface can shed light on the parameters of importance



### **Ice Accretion Shapes**

Types of ice accretion
– Rime







## **Ice Accretion Shapes**

Types of ice accretion
– Glaze







### Workflow

Ice Shape Scanned in IRT Ice Shape Processed with Geomagic Ice Shape Grid **Built in Pointwise** Aerodynamic Analysis with NCC Plotting and Visualization with Tecplot



#### **Geomagic**

Commercial software used to create watertight surface from scanned point cloud data



Lee, S., Broeren, A. P., Addy, H. E., Jr., Sills, R., and Pifer, E. M., "Development of 3-D Ice Accretion Measurement Method," NASA/TM-2012-217702, AIAA Paper-2012-2938, 2012



#### **Pointwise**

Commercial software used to import ice shape geometry data and create grid for CFD analysis

- 1. Import Geometry
  - Database
  - Surface Grid





- 1. Import Geometry
- 2. Create Surface Grid Rime





- 1. Import Geometry
- 2. Create Surface Grid Horn





- 1. Import Geometry
- 2. Create Surface Grid
- 3. Create Volume Grid Rime





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- 1. Import Geometry
- 2. Create Surface Grid
- 3. Create Volume Grid
- 4. Refinement





# Statistics of Initial Grids

	Ice Shape Geometry	Chord length (in)	Span length (in)	Grid Type	Volume grid cell count
Clean	-	18	12	Structured	0.5 million
Rime	ED1966	18	6	Unstructured	1.6 million
Glaze	ED1978	18	6	Unstructured	3.7 million

Broeren, A.P., Addy, H.E., Lee, S., and Monastero, M.C., "Validation of 3-D Ice Accretion Measurement Methodology for Experimental Aerodynamic Simulation," AIAA 6<sup>th</sup> Atmospheric and Space Environments Conference, Atlanta, GA, June 16-20, 2014





# National Combustion Code (NCC)

- Solver
  - Finite-volume
  - Explicit, four-stage Runge-Kutta integration algorithm
  - RANS, URANS
- Turbulence
  - $k \epsilon$  model
  - higher order, non-linear method
  - Partially Resolved Numerical Simulation (PRNS)
- Parallel Computing
  - Parallel Virtual Machine (PVM)
  - Message Passing Interface (MPI)

Liu, N.-S. and Shih, T.-H., "Turbulent Modeling for Very Large-Eddy Simulation," AIAA Journal, Vol. 44, No. 4, April 2006



# **Domain Conditions**

- Boundary Conditions
  - Velocity Inlet
  - Pressure Outlet
  - No-slip Airfoil Wall
  - Periodic Side Walls
- Freestream Conditions M = 0.10, 0.18  $Re = 1.0 \times 10^{6}, 1.8 \times 10^{6}$   $P_{\infty} = 98,595$  [Pa]  $T_{\infty} = 294.3$  [K]  $\alpha = 0^{\circ}$  to  $10^{\circ}$





# Clean Wing (M=0.10 @ 0°)





### Clean Wing (M=0.10 @ 0°)





### Clean Wing (M=0.10 @ 0°) Other CFD Solvers





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# Clean Wing C<sub>L</sub> Curve (M=0.10)





### ED1966 Wing (M=0.10 @ 0°) Rime Shape





### ED1966 Wing (M=0.10 @ 0°) Rime Shape





# ED1966 Wing Lift Coefficient Results



- Results suggest that viscous effects play a role for the rime ice case, consistent with expectations
- Results from a single instantaneous pressure profile, used in the computation, need to be replaced with time averaged and spatially integrated results



### ED1978 Wing (M=0.18 @ 0°) Glaze shape





### ED1978 Wing (M=0.18 @ 0°) Glaze Shape





## Future Work

- Detailed examination of solutions
  - Both ice shapes (ED1966 and ED1978)
    - Variations in flow field results across the span
    - Time averaging of unsteady results
    - Spatial integration across the span
    - Grid resolution studies
    - Turbulence models
  - Glaze ice shape (ED1978)
    - Investigate cause of pressure fluctuations near leading edge
- Parametric study of mesh quality
  - Establish minimum amount of grid points along airfoil surface
- Perform detailed analysis of ice surface roughness region
- Develop post-processing modules for NCC to calculate standard external aerodynamic parameters

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