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MARS: Manipulation of Reynolds Stress for Drag Reduction and Separation Control

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Outline

- General presentation of MARS, a Europe P7 programme and China joint venture
- Improved Physical Understandings
 Innovative Flow Control Devices
 Innovative Optimisation Strategies
 Limitations and Future Work



What are the new challenges ?





Flow Control is one major issue...



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MARS Objectives



- To control turbulent wall bounded shear flow effectively from a more fundamental level by investigating directly the behaviour of Reynolds stresses and their response to the manipulation of the dynamic components of the flow
- To conduct both experimental tests and computational simulations to extract reliable flow physics, including Reynolds stresses, for a number of active flow control devices
- To explore large scale unsteadiness (unsteady jets, wakes and vortices) produced from the capability of these devices to provide effective control of the dynamic components, and hence the Reynolds stresses, within the shear layers associated with large scale wakes and separations
- To identify key strategies that enable efficient control of dynamic fluid structures within shear layers and to design and optimise these devices for separation control (higher shear) and drag reduction (lower shear)
- To demonstrate the most promising device/devices at relevant scale, the ability to efficiently increase or decrease the Reynolds stresses
- To investigate the application of this capability within an aircraft context
- To foster further collaboration between European and Chinese researchers in the key technology area of flow control for the benefit of the civil aircraft industries on both sides.

The consortium

AVIC-ARI(CH, Tech Coordinator)

NUAA (CH), THU (CH), NWPU (CH), ZJU (CH), BUAA (CH), PKU *(CH),* AVIC-ACTRI (CH), AVIC-FAI (CH)











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and Climate Change



Basic Idea



Start by considering the triple decomposition for the potential contributions to Reynolds Stress. Consider the equation for an instantaneous velocity, U

$$U = \overline{U} + \widetilde{u} + u'$$

- The first term on the RHS is the time averaged mean velocity. If we attempt to control this via Flow Control then most devices offer little gain in efficiency on a global energy basis i.e. change in energy out equals energy in
- The periodic velocity component makes a significant contribution to Reynolds Stress for a number of specific flow cases. Typically those dominated by or producing narrow band velocity fluctuations that can affect skin friction, separation or dynamic loads.
- The final term on the RHS represents the broadband 'random' turbulent fluctuations whose control will remain the long term ambition for Flow Control.





The two flow configurations of MARS Europe/China project



Periodic unsteady flows

Transient of the dynamic components



The main ingredients of flow control purposes are addressed: large scale instabilities, turbulent regime and in, a lesser extend, wall characteristics.







MARS: an almost complete set of actuators can be described as TWO categories 1. Actuators acting as **vortex generators:** Wall jets

- Synthetic
 - Piezzo
 - Electro-magn
- Pulsed vanes
- Micro blowing/suction











MARS: an almost complete set of actuators 2. Acting near wall as **volume force**





Collaboration



experiment, simulation and optimisation

- Most control device cases were carried out with collaboration of experimental and computational partners to investigate the flow physics of the control devices
- Joint effects were crucial for the computational partners to build up their confidence for complicated flow simulations
- Simulations provided some turbulence flow structures for some further understanding of the flow control devices
- Some design optimisations based on computation were carried out but limited due the huge computation for resolved flow control fields



Time-resolved Tomographic PIV

Four Weeks of Joint Measurement Campaign – Part 1: BFS





Plasma actuator test team (Poitiers, DLR)



Time-resolved Tomographic PIV

Four Weeks of Joint Measurement Campaign – Part 2: Wing



NACA 0015 with setup for time-resolved long-distance microscopic stereo PIV



Synthetic jet test team (AVIC/ARI, NUAA, DLR)





Dynamics of flow attachment/separation over the airfoil surface of a NACA 0015 in response to impulsive deployment/removal of fluidic vortex generators (FVG).





Transient wake of NACA0015 airfoil forced by pulsed jets (WL Siaw, JP Bonnet)

Experimental setup

- Chord 350 mm
- Span 2.4 m (AR = 7)
- Freestream velocity of 40 m/s
- Re = 1 M
- Fixed incidence 11°
- 44 FVG Positioned at x/c=0.3
- Pitch angle=30° and skew angle=60°
- 1 mm orifice diameter
- Jets spaced 15 mm apart <u>Metrology</u>
- PIV (phase-average procedure)







Transient flow velocity for jet deployment and removal



Evolution of the ensemble-averaged mean streamwise velocity of the airfoil wake during the attachment process



Evolution of the ensemble-averaged mean streamwise velocity of the airfoil wake during the separation process



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Transient Process in the Wake During FVG Deployment

•Evolution of the contour of <u'u'>/U_∞² consisting of 40 time delays

•Note the convection of a region of high turbulent fluctuation



Transient Process in the Wake During FVG Removal

•Evolution of the contour of <u'u'>/U² consisting of 40 time delays





NACA0015 – Pulsed Jets

NACA0015 Model characteristics:

- Chord 350 mm
- Span 2.4 m (AR = 7)
- External velocity 40 m/s (Re = 1 M)
- Fixed incidence 11°
- PIV measurements by phase-average (40 instants)







NACA0015 wake flow control by pulsed jets with focus on transient regimes

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5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40

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Estimated temporal drag

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Improved Understanding: Validation of simulation



Comparison of RANS, DES, IDDES (Improved Delayed Detached Eddy simulation)

Improved Understanding: coherent structures and Reynolds stresses



Flow development after jets deployment



Backward Facing Step flow

A simple geometry but a complex flow

- Several instability wavelengthes
- Many periodic organizations
- Two recirculating zones
- Vortical and flapping motions
- 3D organization of flow structures

An ideal test case for flow control



Non-thermal plasma actuator driven by ac frequency





Electrode arrangement on the BFS model

Electrical signal applied to the actuator

- Electrode arrangement for electric wind production in positive x direction
- 3-mm thick dielectric (PMMA)
- Voltage amplitude of 20 kV
- Driven ac frequency of 1-2 kHz
- Variable pulsed frequency f_{BM}
- Variable duty-cycle





Parametric study - A influence of AC-DBD frequency





Position of the reattachment location and integral of wall pressure fluctuations according to the imparted periodic fluctuation frequency

Large Xr reduction (-20%) when flow forced at f_{BM}=125 Hz (St_h=0.25, St_{Xr}=1.4)

- Also reduction in Xr for 62.5 Hz or St_h=0.125 (St_{Xr}=0.7)
- Large increase in the spatially integrated wall pressure fluctuations at St_h=0.125 (St_{xr}=0.7)

BFS – Piezo Oscillating Surface



Spanwise Vortex Generator – a Novel Flow Control Device







SVG breaks up the rolling vortex shedding from the step and reduces 30%. (From baseline 6.5H to 4.5H.



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Optimization studies

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Kriging-based optimization of flow control devices

Simulation of controlled flow (RANS models) with actuation coupled with automatic optimization (Kriging-based algorithm)

Quantify impact of :

-Numerical errors

-Modeling (turbulence, actuator)

Cost function

Error function

control

parameters

cost value

error value

Merit

function



Vorticity field for BFS case with synthetic jet (RANS)



Kriging model of recirculation length w.r.t. actuation parameters



flow results

Flow solver

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Database

Gaussian

model

Surrogate-based model optimization for NUAA Test Case based on Wind Tunnel Test with SJ





As a conclusion:

- Innovative flow control devices proposed and investigated experimentally and computationally in the project:
 - Spanwise pressure wave driven synthetic jets (NUAA/USFD/NPU)
 - Piezo driven oscillating surfaces (UniMan/USFD/ZJU)
 - Spanwise oscillating strip vortex generator (NUAA/USFD)
 - Satisfactry IDDES computation
- Optimisation strategies on the BFS test case (not presented here)
 - Innovative methodology by directly coupling optimisation algorithm to drive the experimental design parameters (CIMNE/Poitiers)
 - Optimisation directly based on experimental output (NUAA/NPU)



GA Optimization Based on Experiment with Plasma



Collaboration

Chinese and EU partners



- Close collaboration has been demonstrated throughout the project between EU and Chinese partners
- This is particularly demonstrated in the DLR experimental effort for plasma and synthetic jets to obtained detailed flowfield Re stresses in the DLR tunnel (DLR, ARI, NUAA, Poitiers)
- Substantial collaboration on the numerical investigation regarding proper turbulence modelling, meshing and boundary conditions through cross-comparison



Limitations and future work



- Conflicting requirement in design optimization between the required flow resolution for flow control and the huge computation cost (>many weeks) when compared to experiments
- Larger volume detailed flow-field tomographic measurement to reveal the turbulent flow structures to understand and validate
- Differentiation of u tilda and u prime in the triple decomposition and phase averaging the data processing
- Lack of information on the effects of flow control devices on skin friction drag reduction, although their effects on flow separation are better demonstrated

→ MARS is followed by the DRAGY programme devoted to skin friction drag reduction

Thank you

for your attention !

