

# NSU3D Results for the First AIAA High Lift Prediction Workshop

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## Unstructured Reynolds Averaged Navier-Stokes solver

- Vertex-based discretization
- Mixed elements (prisms in boundary layer)
- Edge data structure
- Matrix artificial dissipation
  - Option for Roe upwind scheme with gradient reconstruction
- No cross derivative viscous terms
  - Thin layer in all 3 directions
  - Option for full Navier-Stokes terms
- Turbulence Models
  - Spalart-Allmaras (original published form)
  - Shear Stress Transport
  - $k-\omega$  two equation model

- Jacobi/Line Preconditioning
  - Line solves in boundary layer regions
  - Relieves aspect ratio stiffness
- Agglomeration Multigrid
  - Fast grid independent convergence rates
- Parallel implementation
  - MPI/OpenMP hybrid model
    - HLPW runs all MPI only on:
      - NASA Pleiades (Quad core Intel Xeon)
      - UWYO Cluster (Dual core AMD Operon)

## Typical Resource Requirements

- Medium (10Mpts) grids used 64 cpus
  - 1000 multigrid cycles
- NASA Pleiades Supercomputer
  - SGI ICE with 51,200 Intel Harpertown Xeon Cores
  - ~1.5 hours for final solution
  - ~60GB memory allocated
- High alpha cases often require more iterations

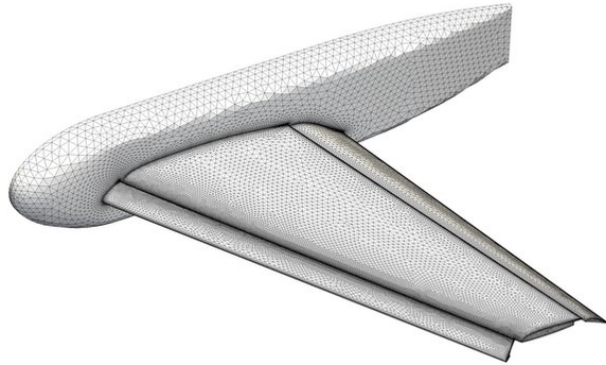
All cases used the UWYO contributed grids:

- Config 1 - Coarse
  - 3.64 Million Nodes
  - 1st BL Cell Height : 0.00019”
  - BL Growth Rate : 0.15
- Config 1 - Medium
  - 10.96 Million Nodes
  - 1st BL Cell Height : 0.00013”
  - BL Growth Rate : 0.15
- Config 1 - Fine
  - 32.30 Million Nodes
  - 1st BL Cell Height : 0.00009
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- Config 8 - Medium
  - 11.52 Million Nodes
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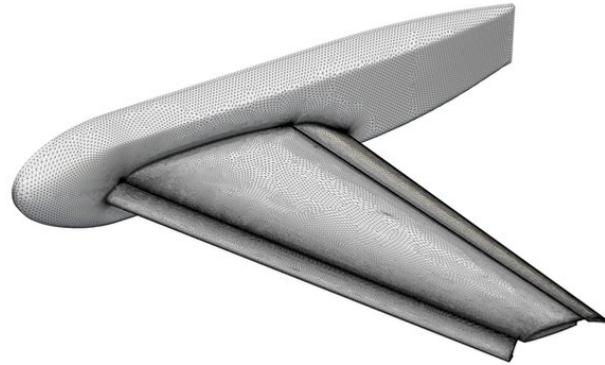
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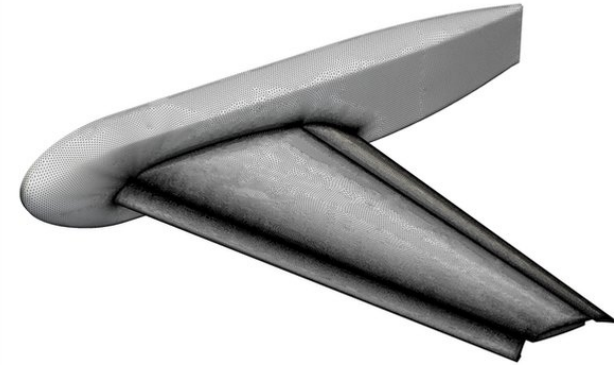
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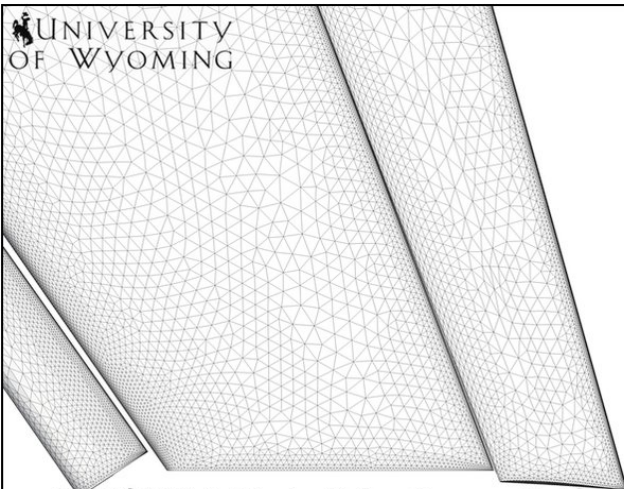


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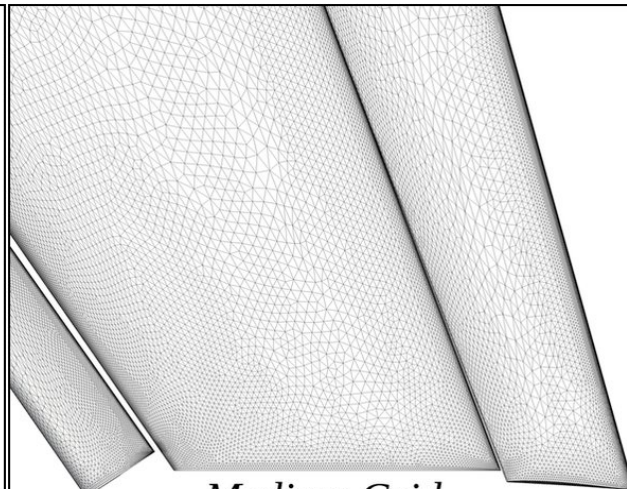


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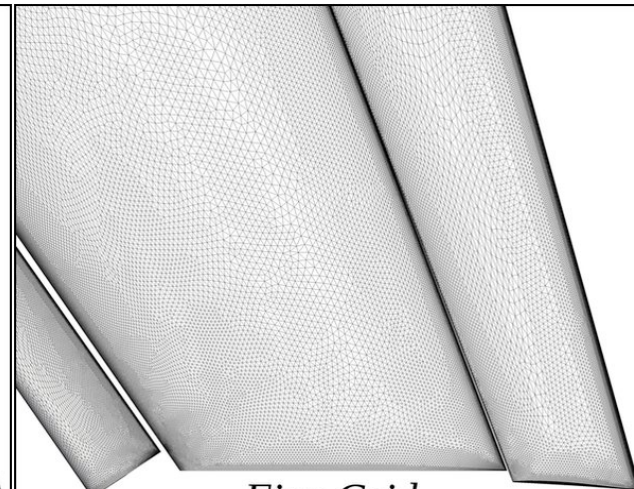
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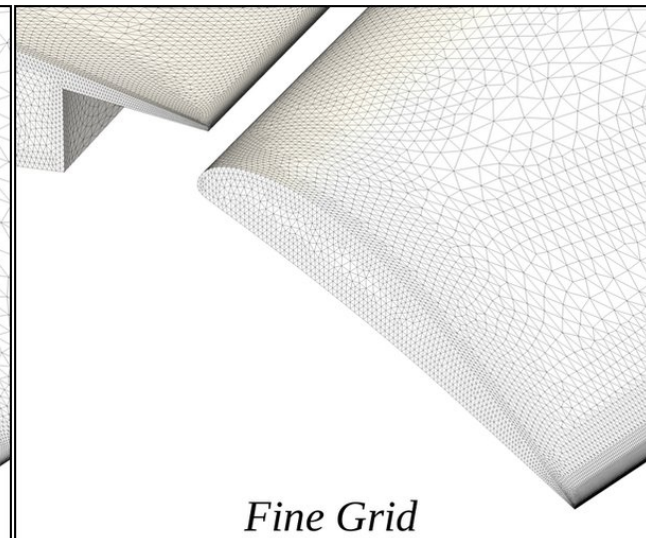
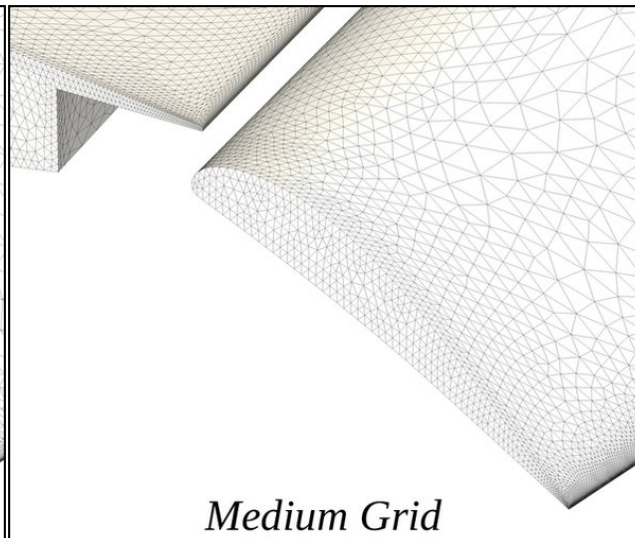
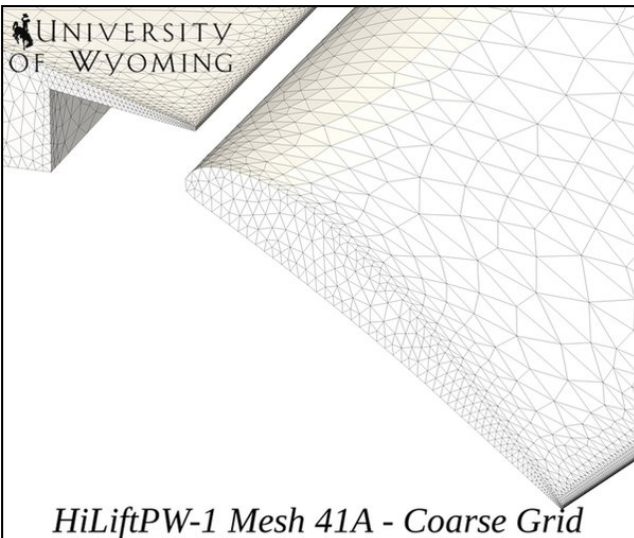
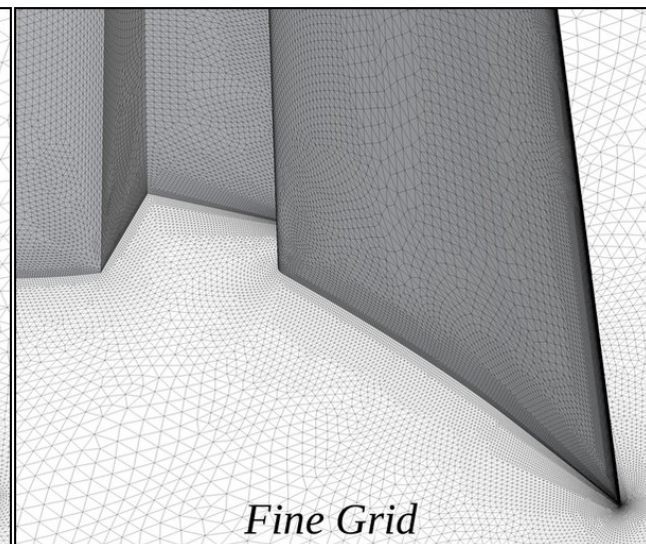
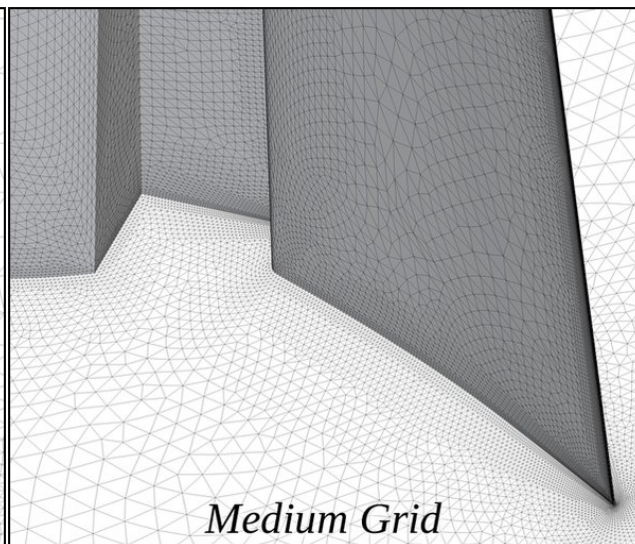
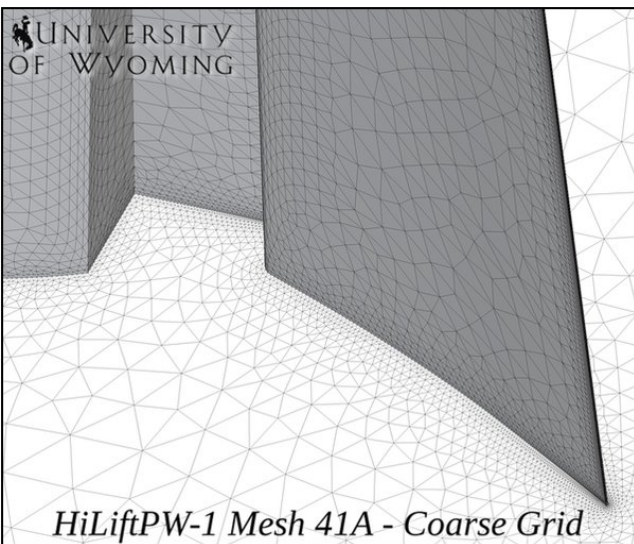
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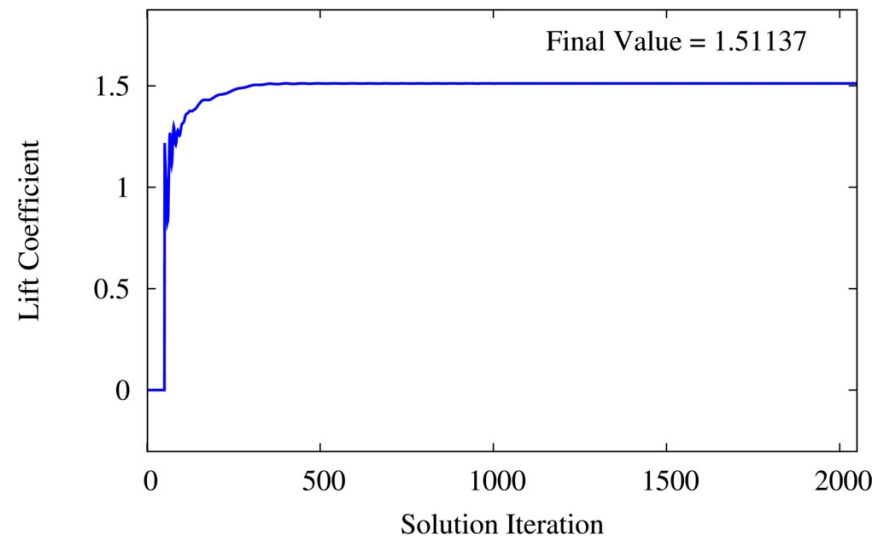
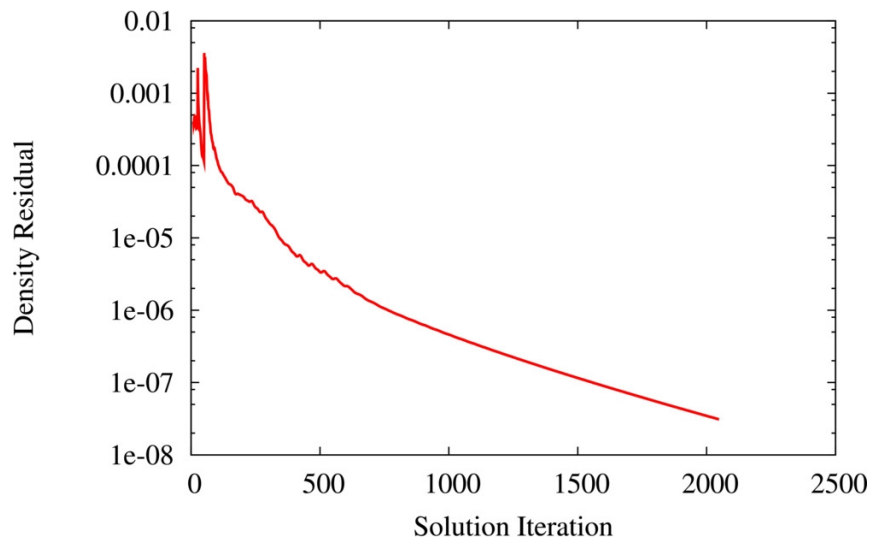


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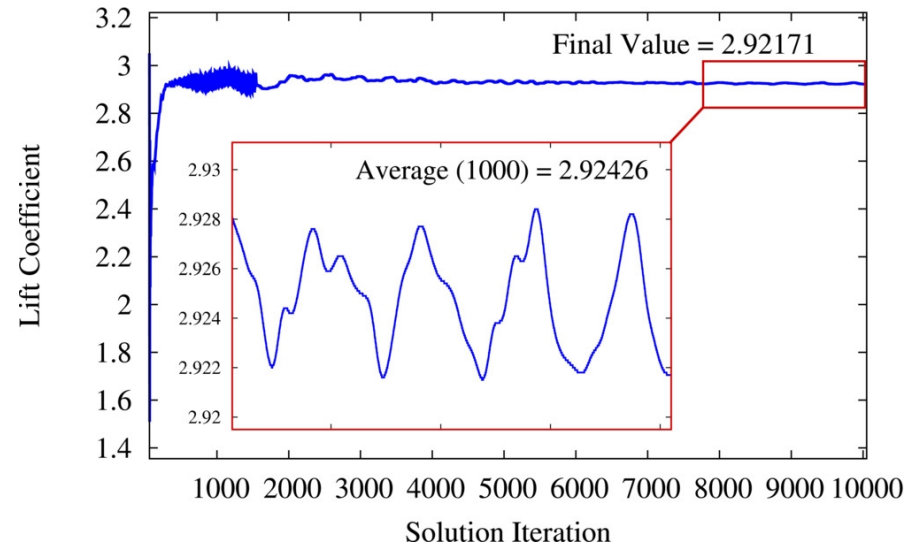
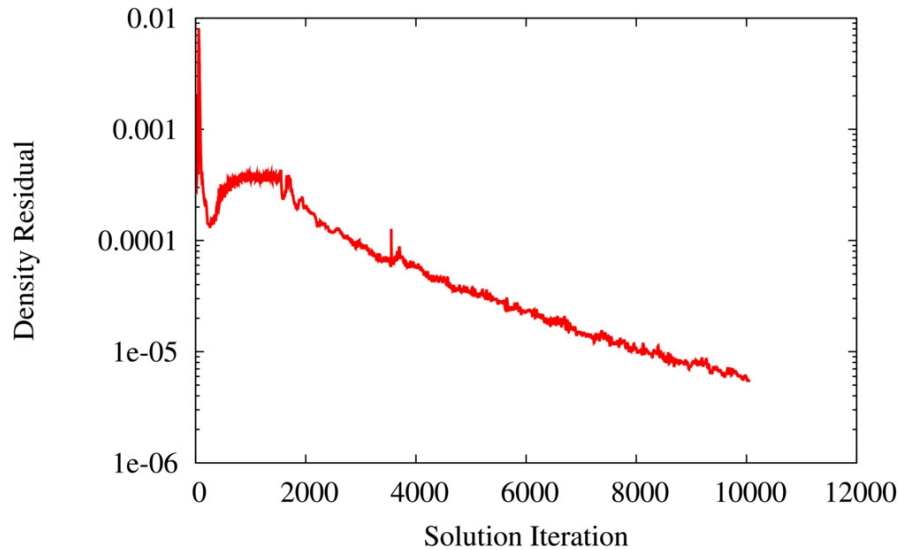


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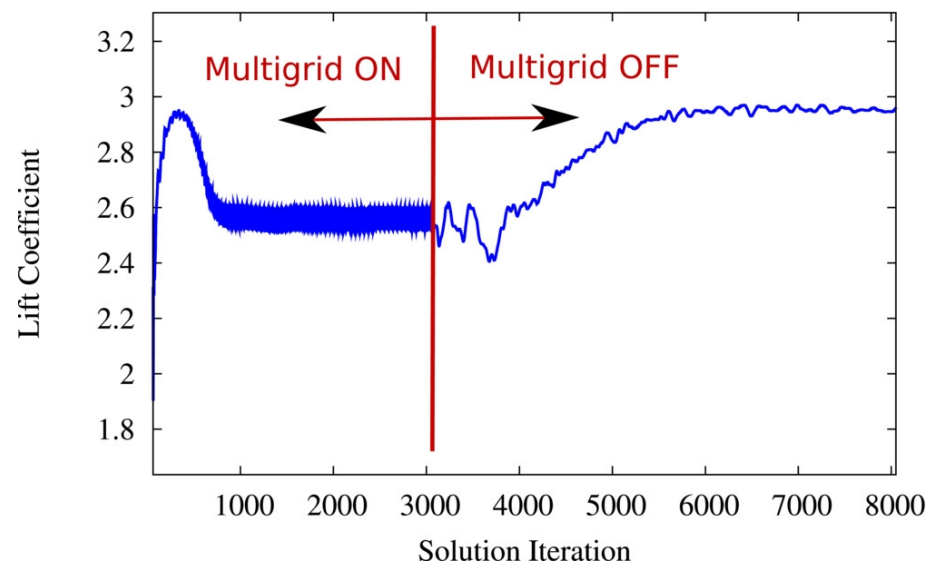
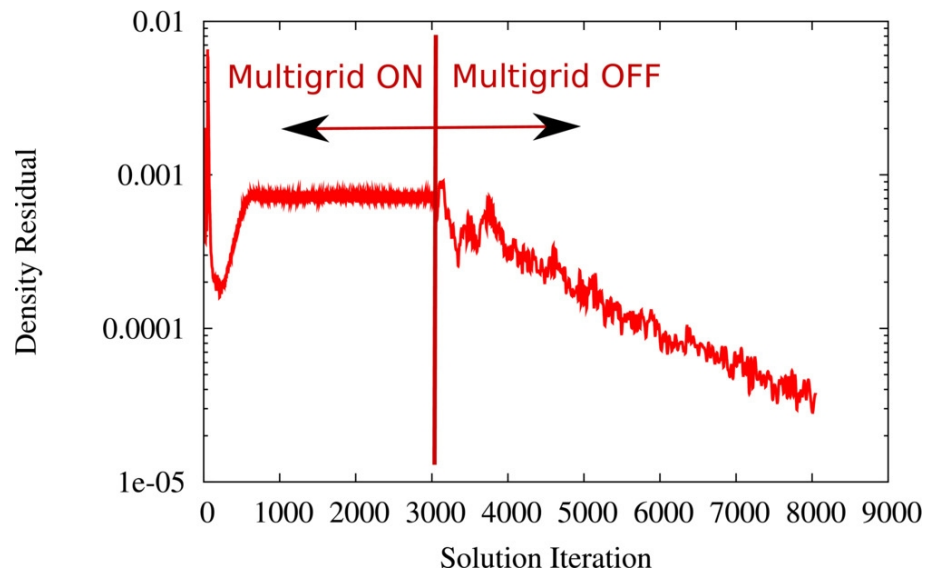
- Effective multigrid convergence for linear CL-alpha range cases (4 level W-cycle)

# Solution Convergence (cont.)



- Residuals stall for higher alpha cases
- Residual convergence resumes switching to single grid
  - Forces converge with small oscillations

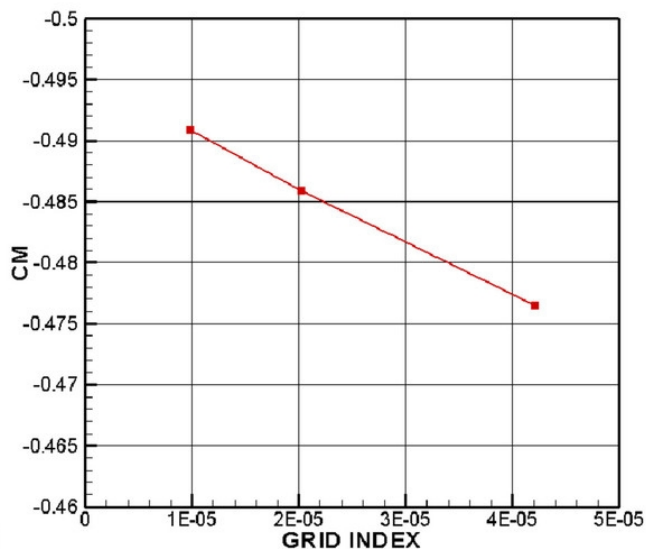
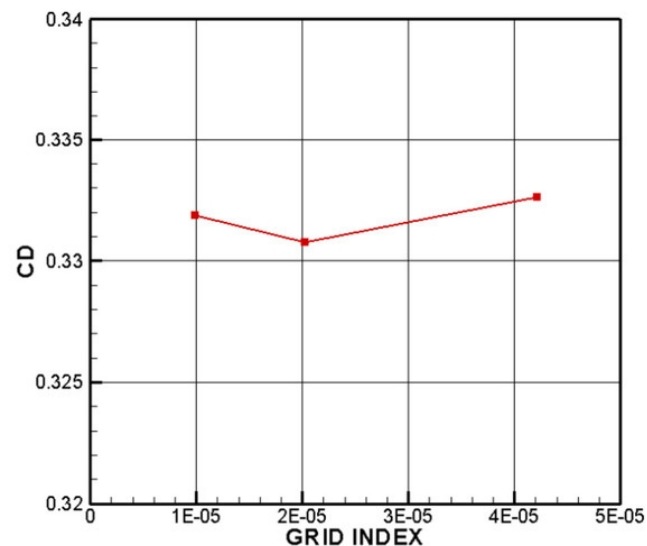
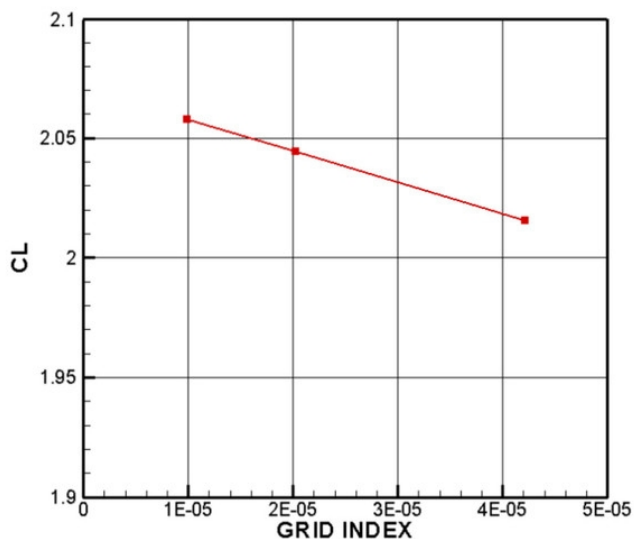
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- Configuration 8, 28° and above
- Different result with and without multigrid
  - Similar behavior seen by other workshop participants

- **Test Case 1 – Grid Convergence Study**
  - Trap Wing “Config 1” (Slat 30, Flap 25)
  - Mach = 0.2,  $\alpha = 13^\circ, 28^\circ$
  - Re = 4.3M (based on MAC)
  - Tinf = 520°R
  - Coarse, Medium, Fine grids
- **Test Case 2 – Alpha Sweep, Flap Increments**
  - Trap Wing “Config 1” (Slat 30, Flap 25)
  - Trap Wing “Config 8” (Slat 30, Flap 20)
  - Mach = 0.2,  $\alpha = 6^\circ, 13^\circ, 21^\circ, 28^\circ, 32^\circ, 34^\circ, 37^\circ$
  - Medium Grid
- **Optional Cases Not Completed**
  - Extra-Fine Grid
  - Slat/Flap Support Brackets

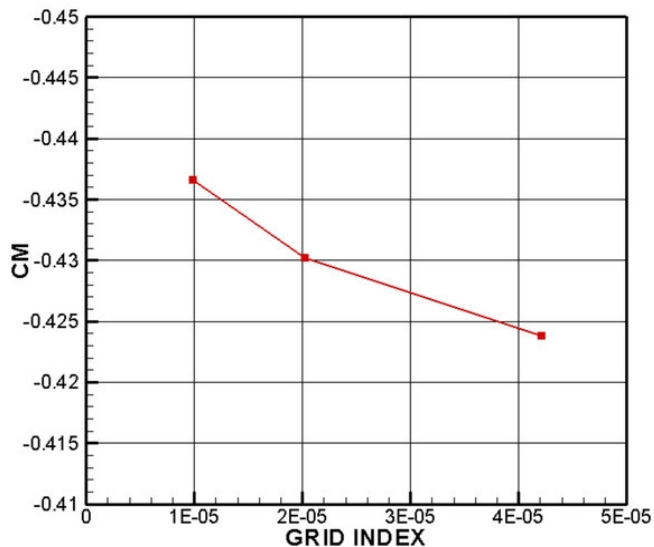
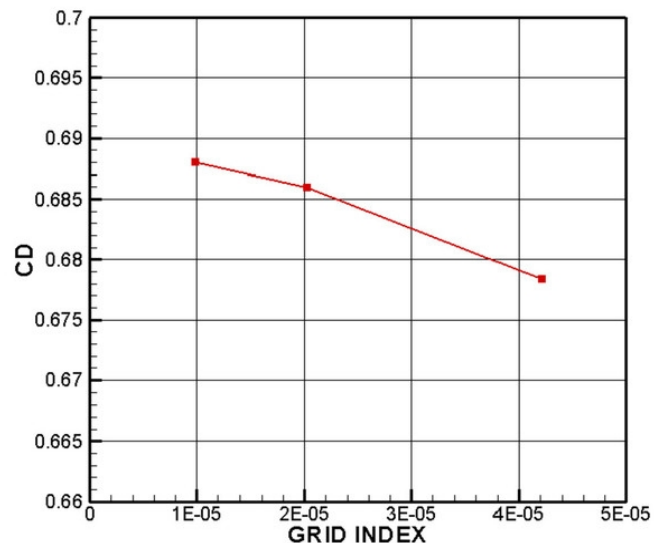
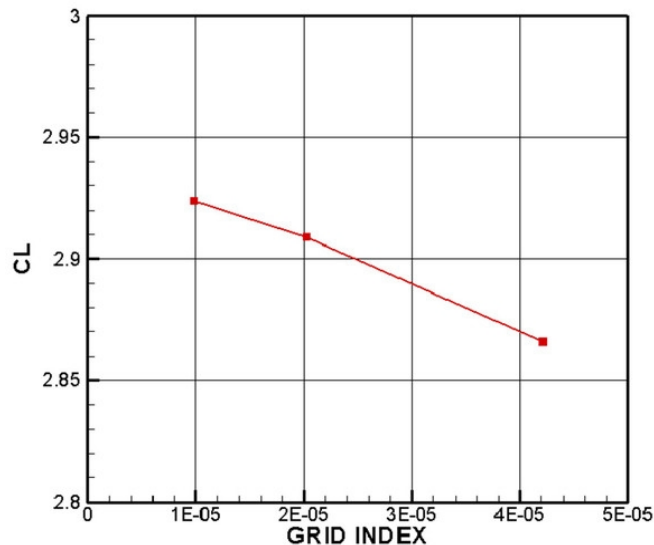
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- Configuration 1, 13°
- Linear convergence seen for lift and moment
- Lift variation ~ 2.1%
- Drag variation ~ 0.5%
- Moment variation ~ 3.0%



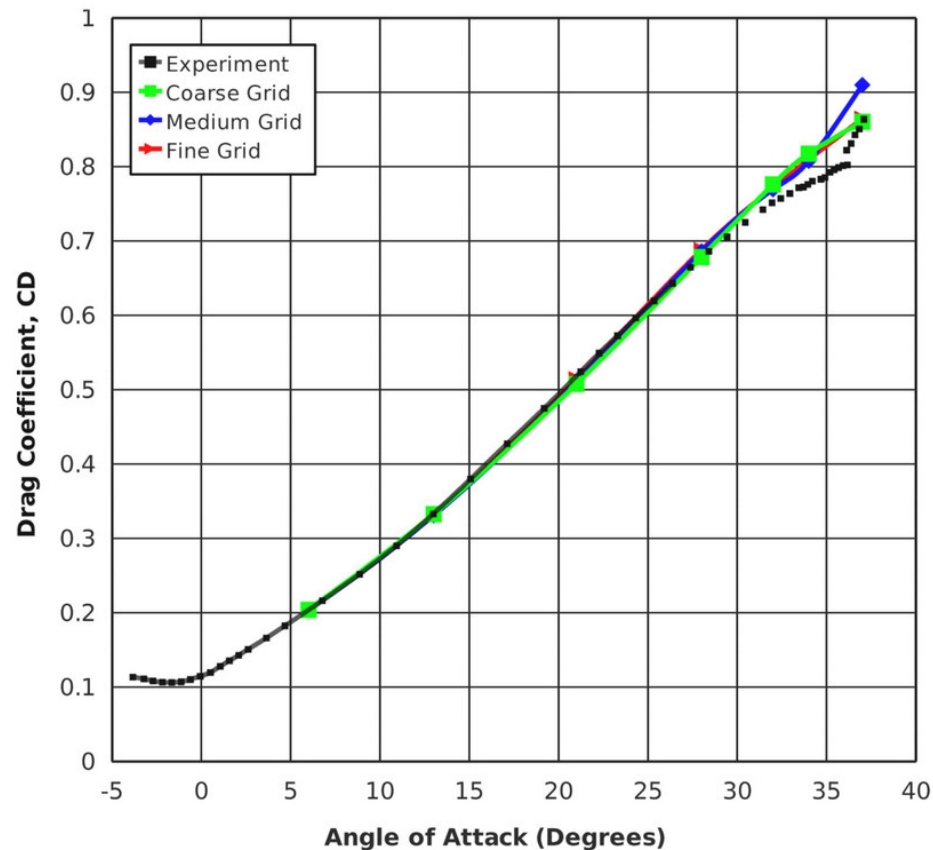
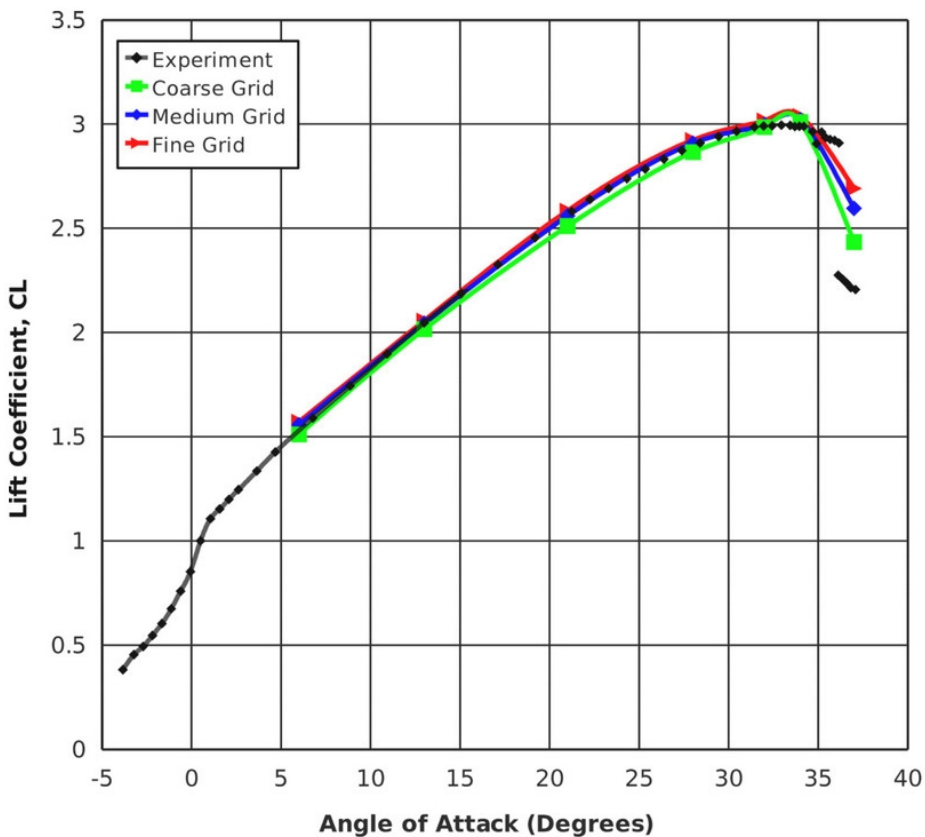
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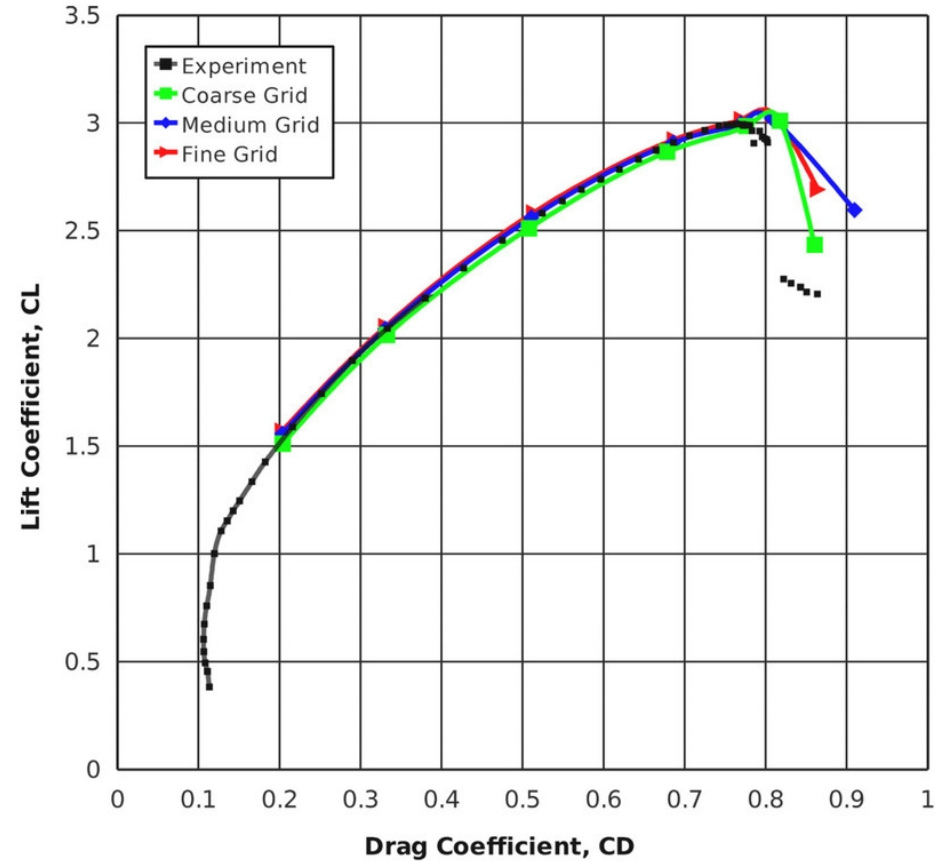
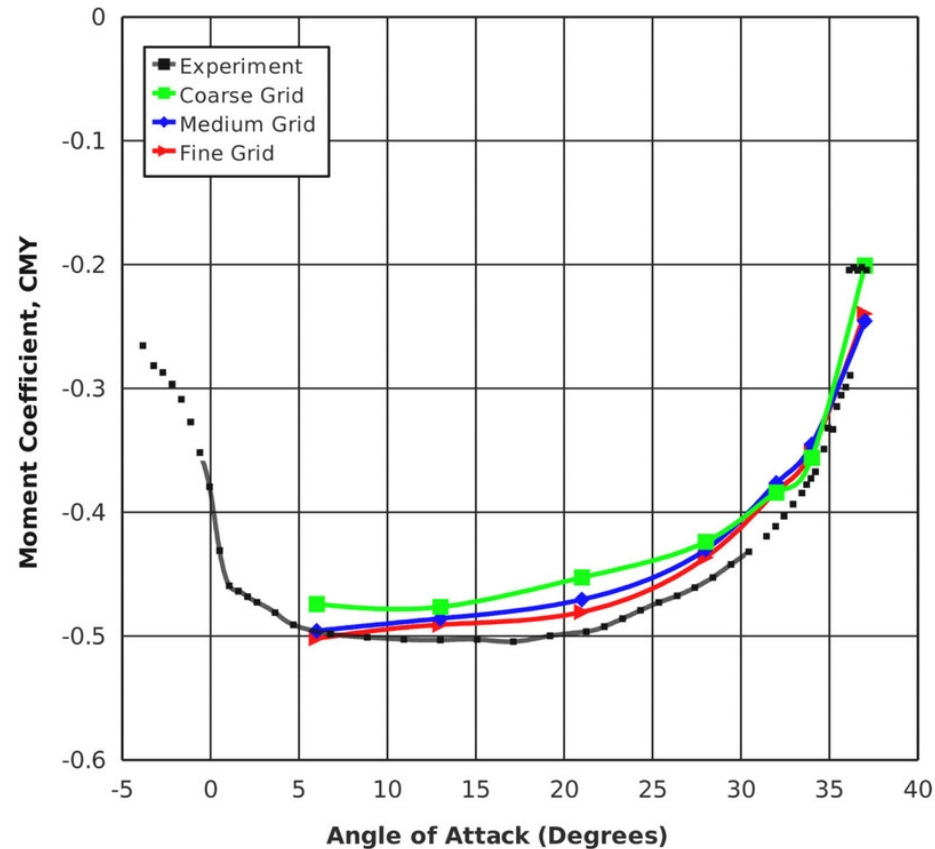
- Configuration 1, 28°
- Less linear behavior than 13° case – finer grid needed
- Lift variation ~ 2.0%
- Drag variation ~ 1.4%
- Moment variation ~ 3.0%

- Trap Wing “Config 1” (Slat 30, Flap 25)
- Trap Wing “Config 8” (Slat 30, Flap 20)
- Mach = 0.2,  $\alpha = 6^\circ, 13^\circ, 21^\circ, 28^\circ, 32^\circ, 34^\circ, 37^\circ$
- Medium grid required
- Sweep completed on coarse and fine grids
- SA turbulence model on all grids

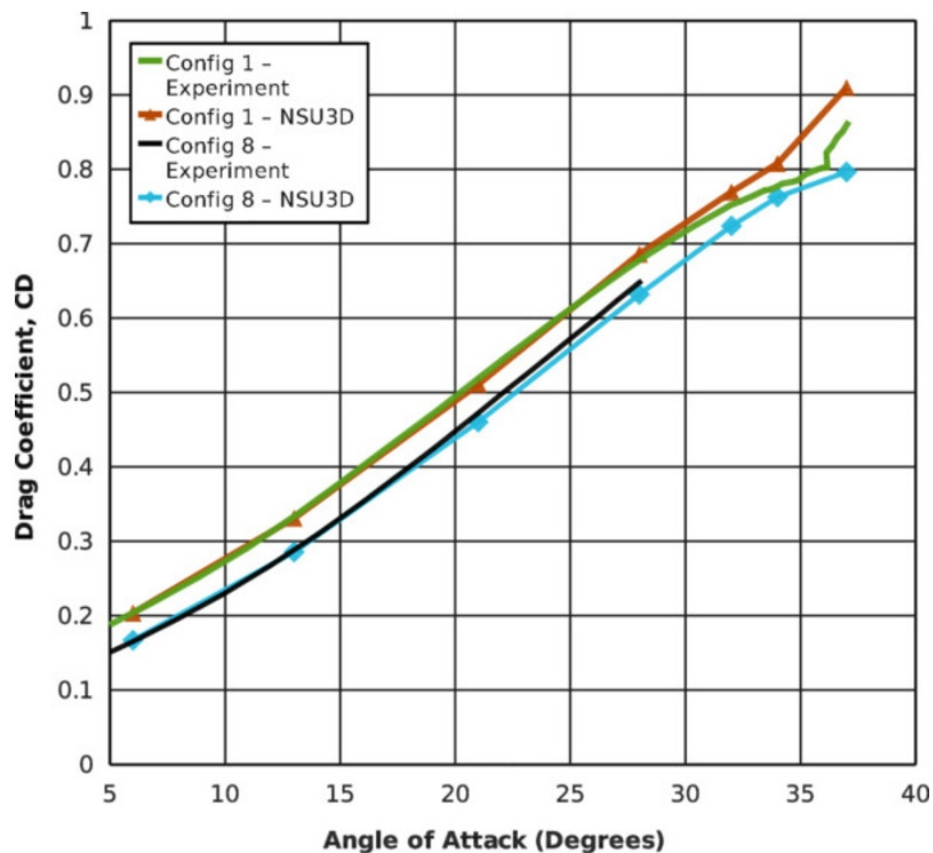
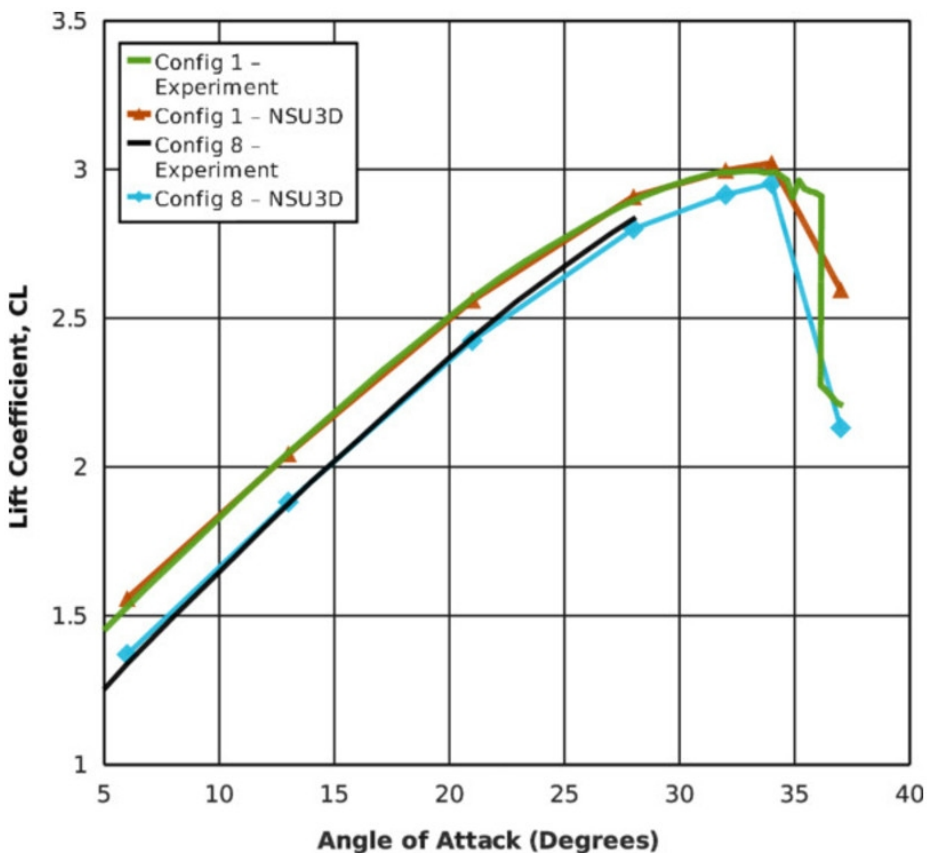
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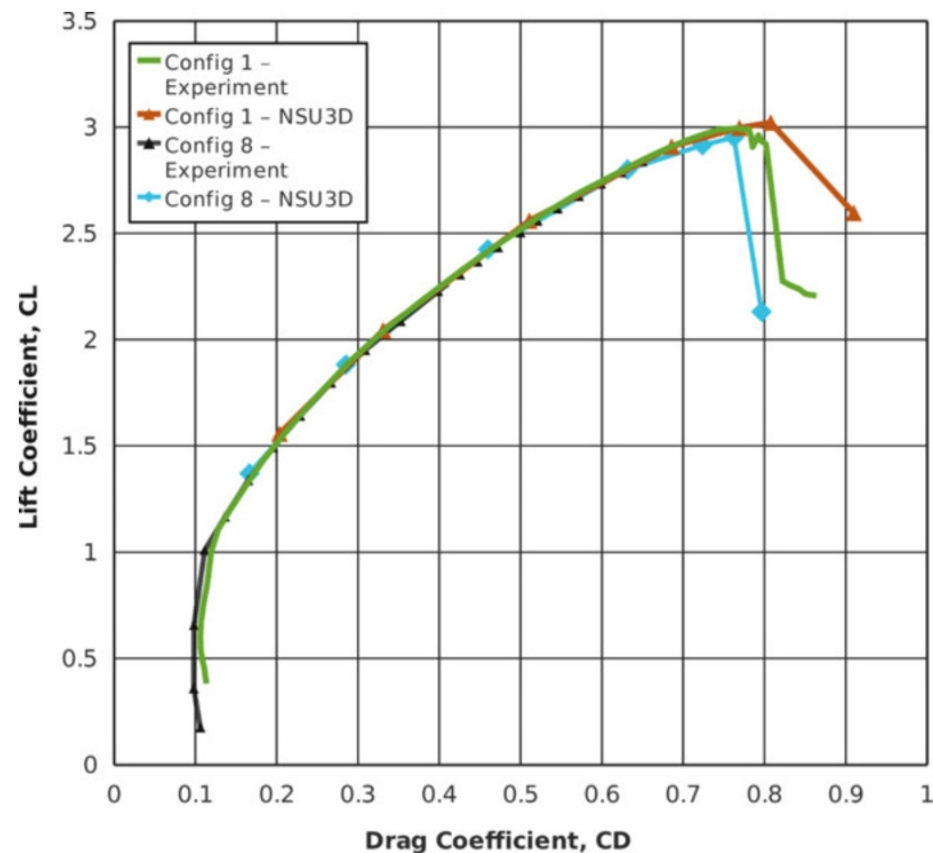
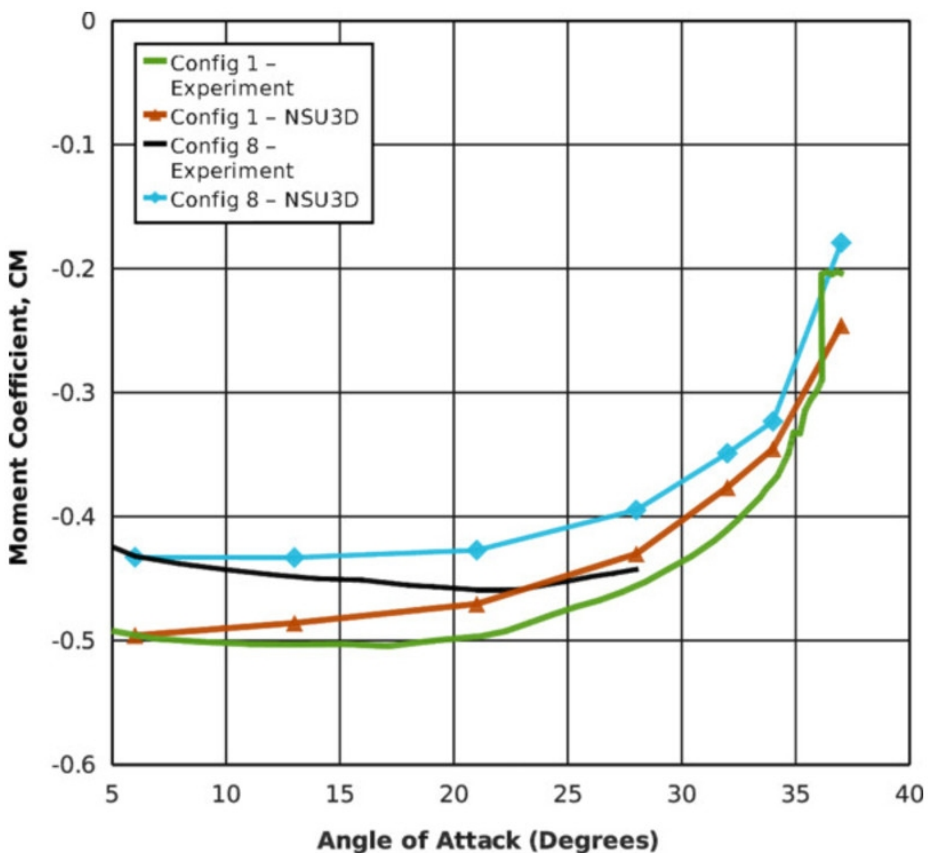


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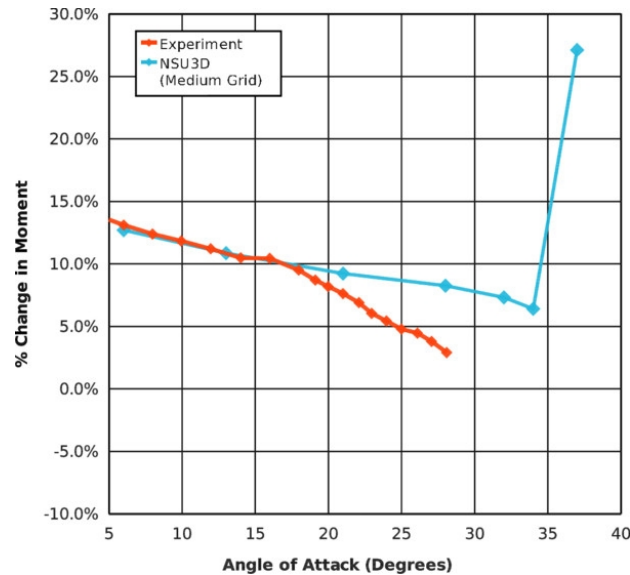
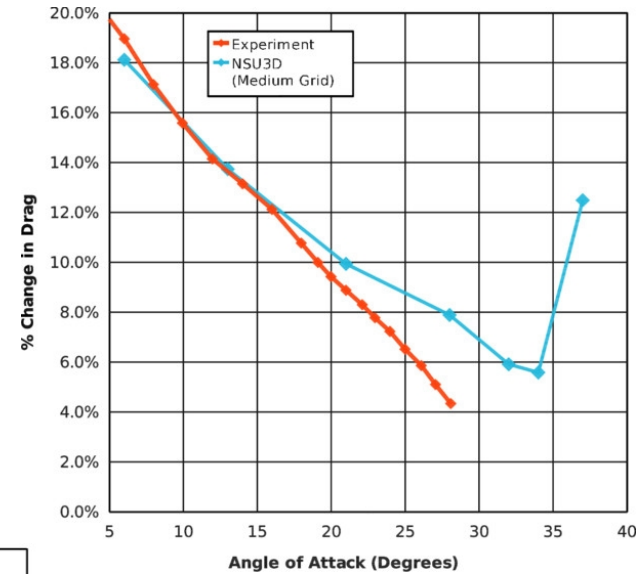
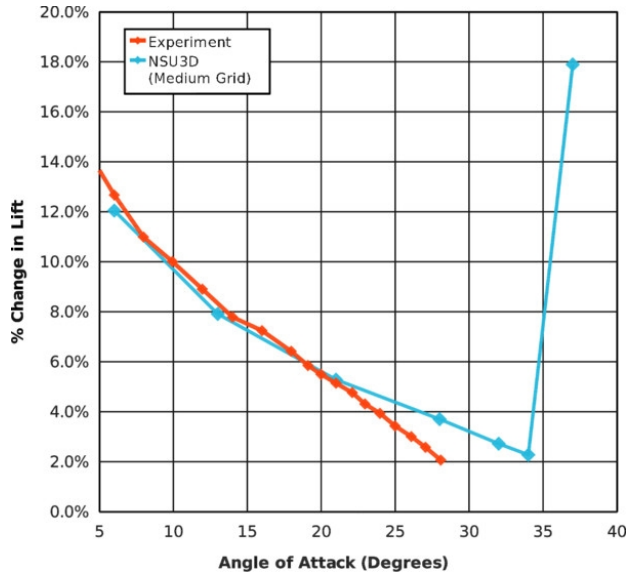




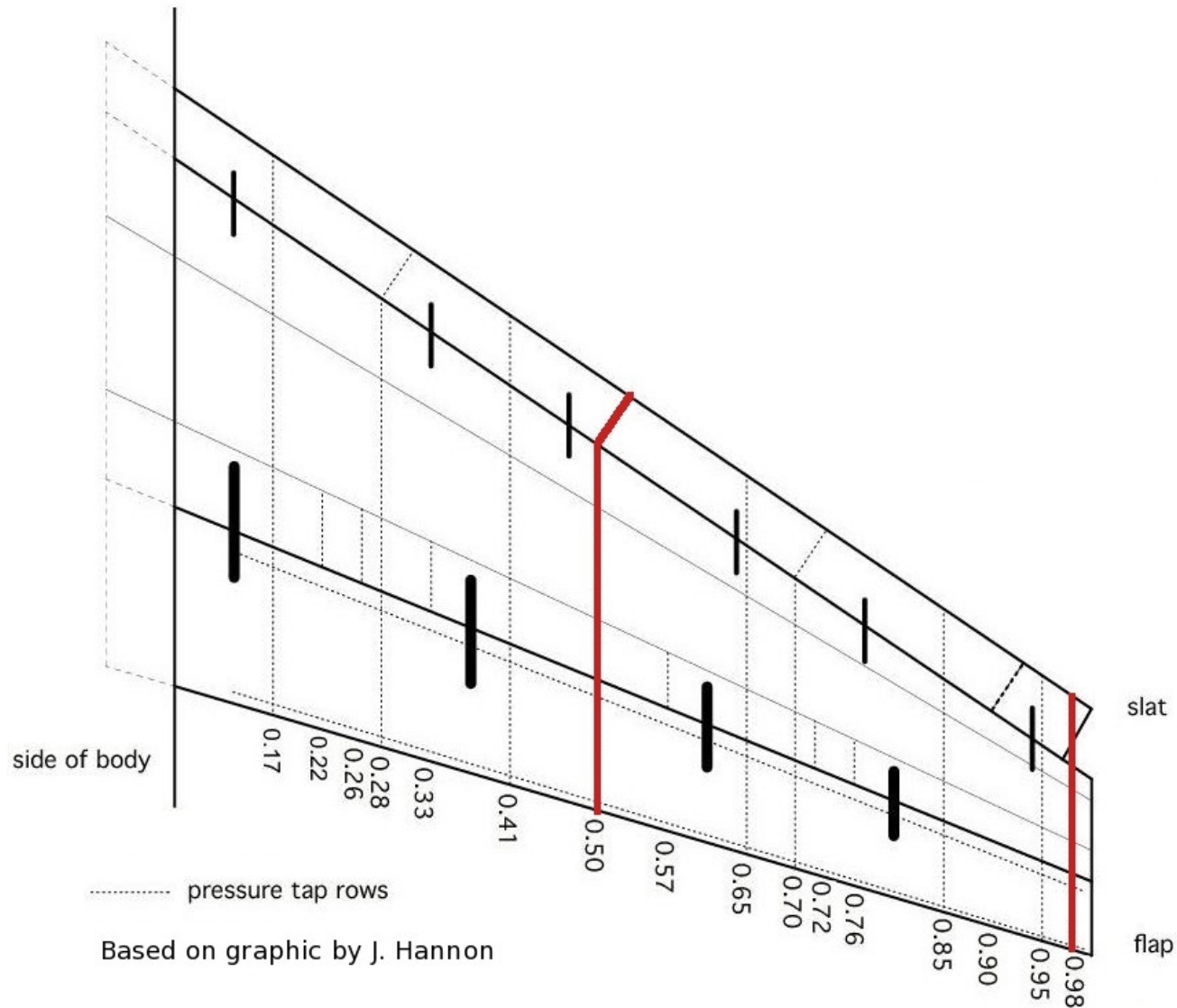
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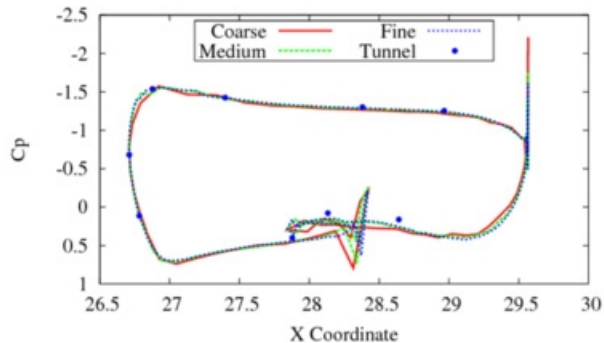


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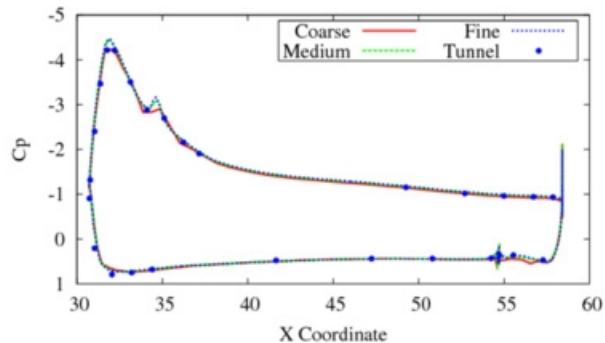
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## Flap

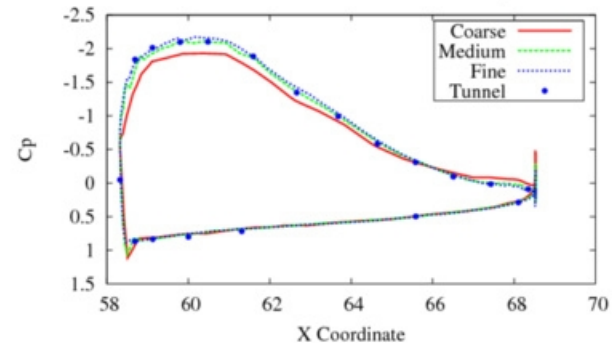
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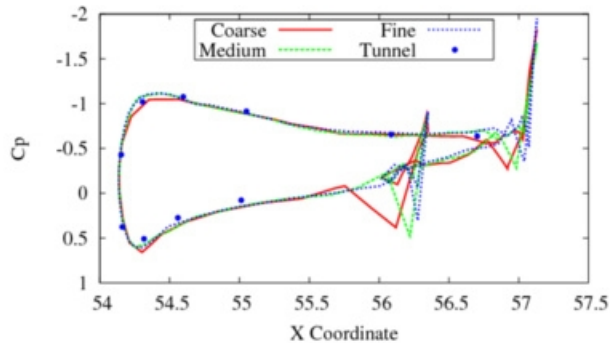
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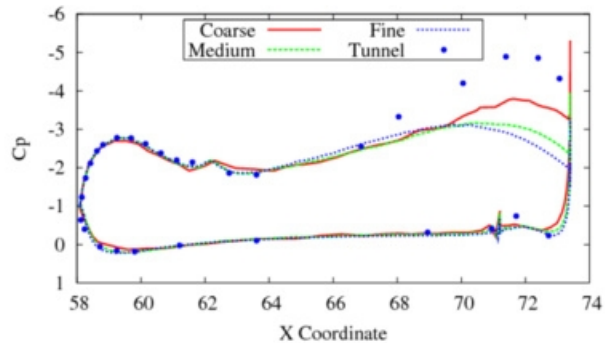
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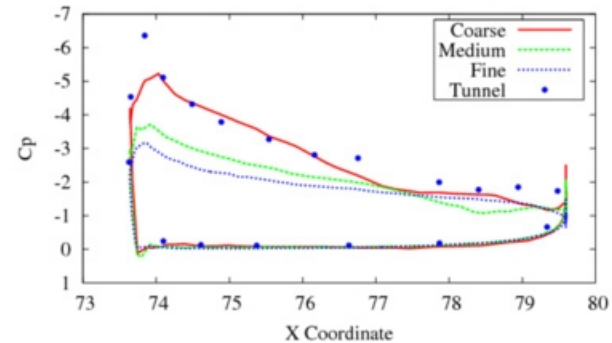
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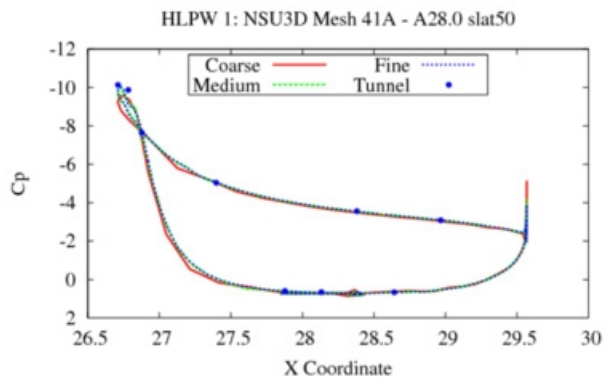


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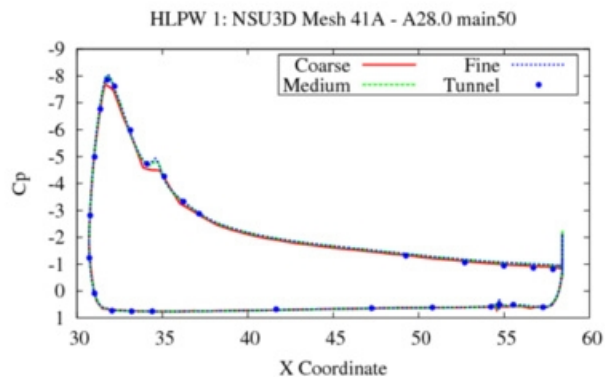
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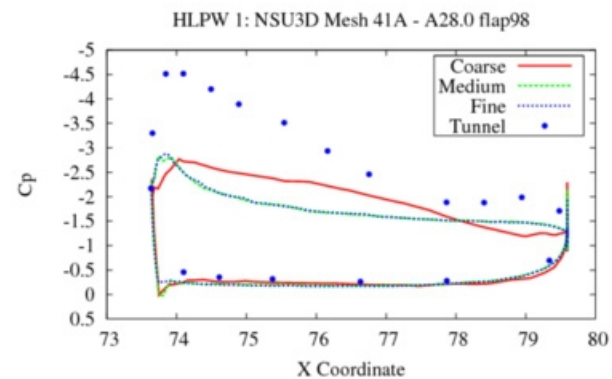
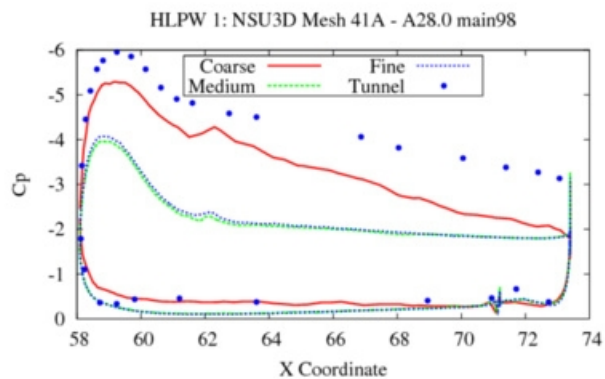
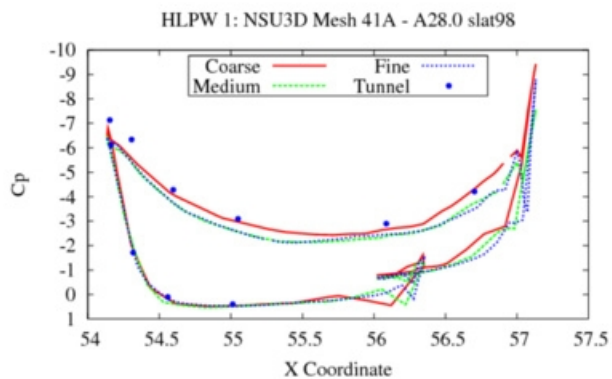
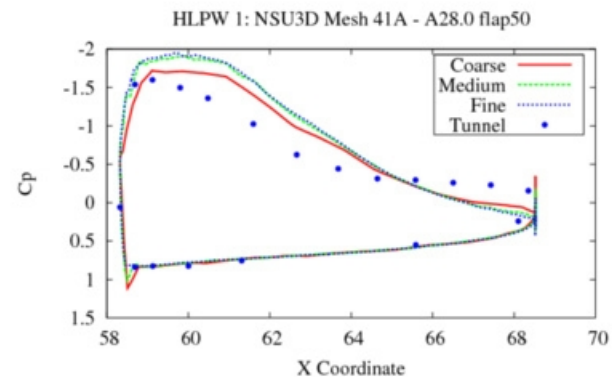
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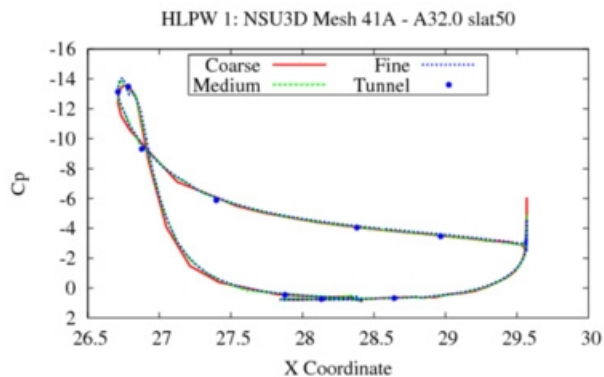
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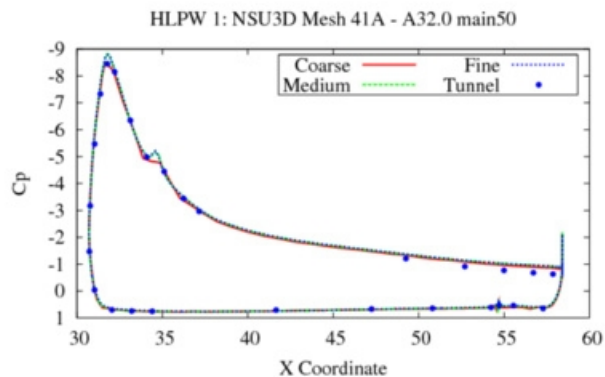
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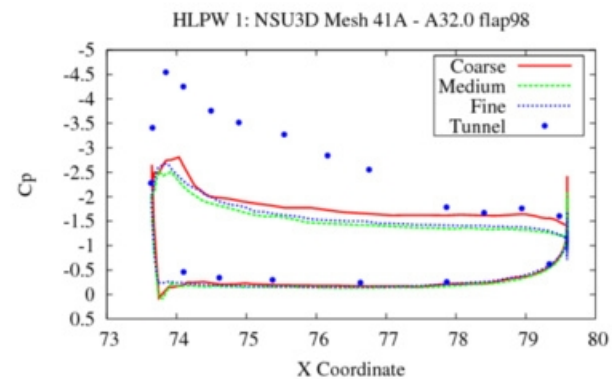
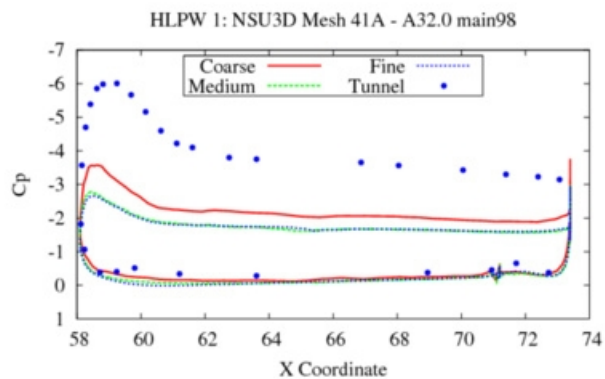
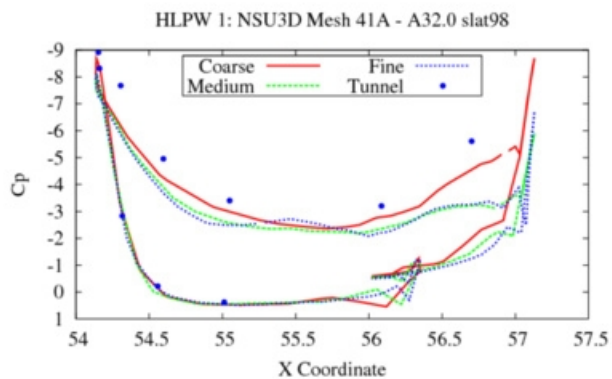
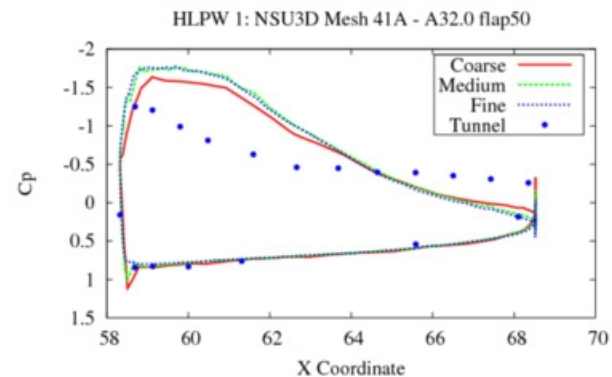
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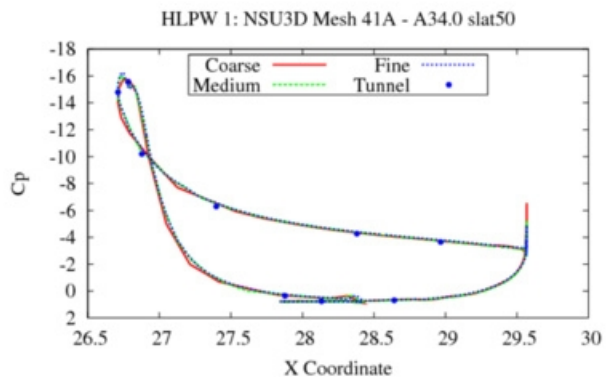


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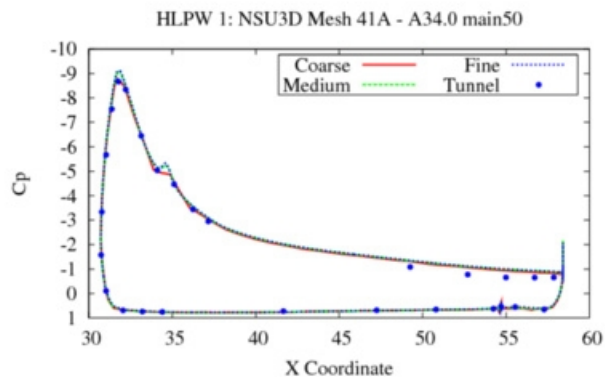
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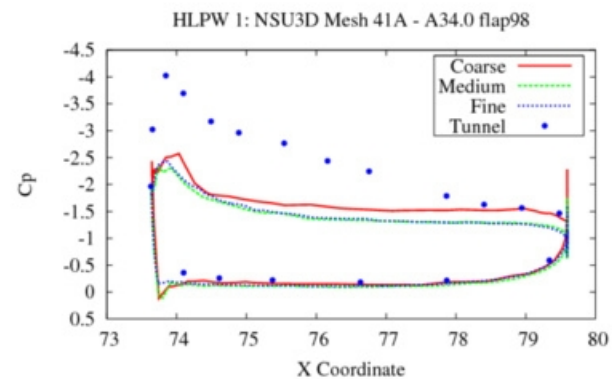
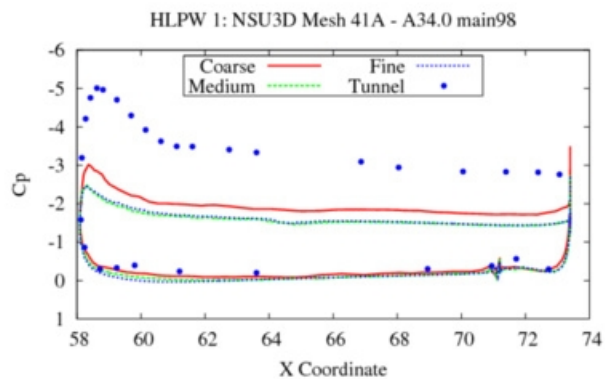
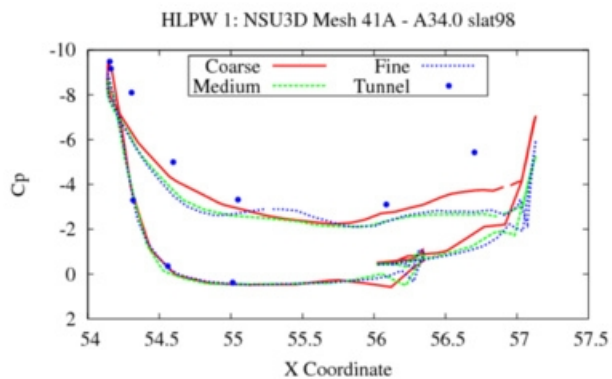
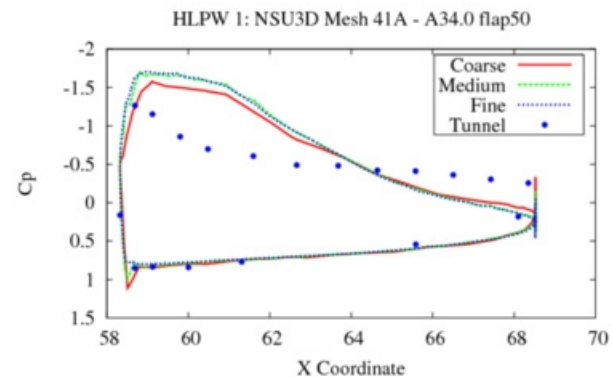
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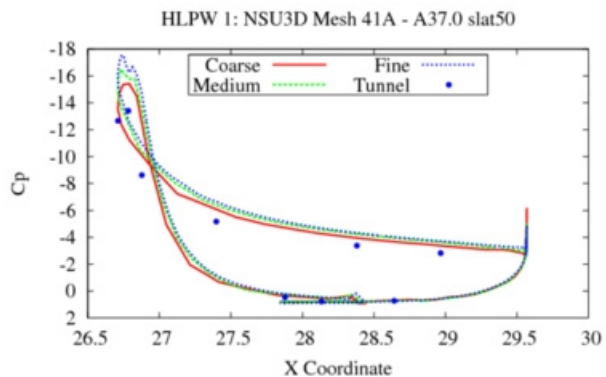


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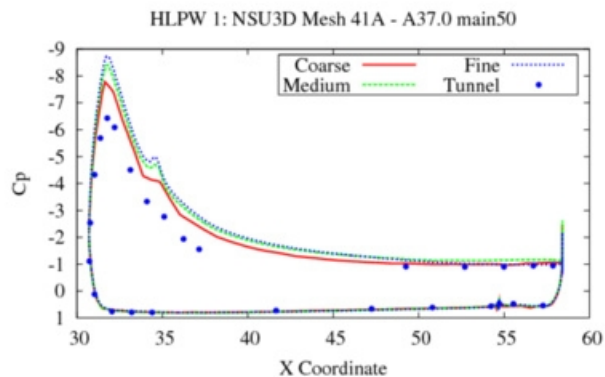
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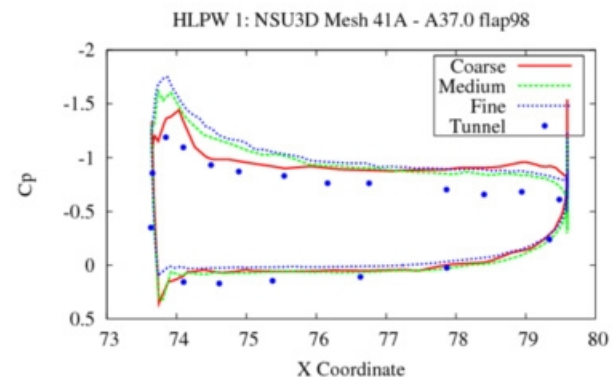
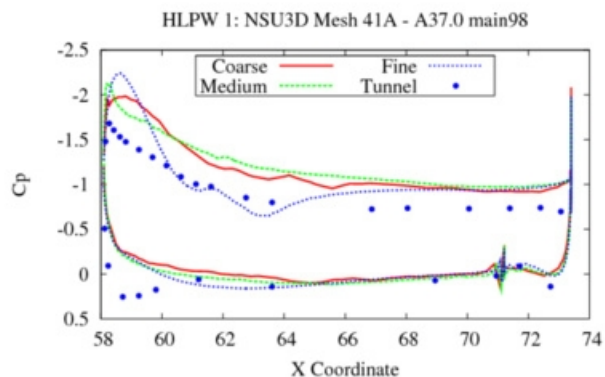
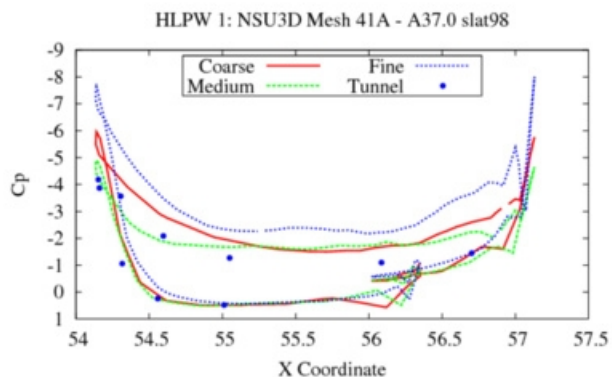
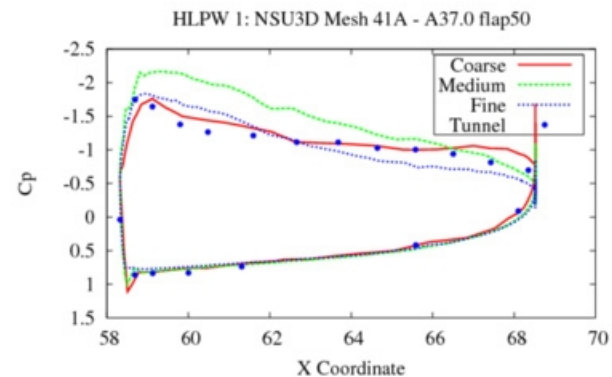
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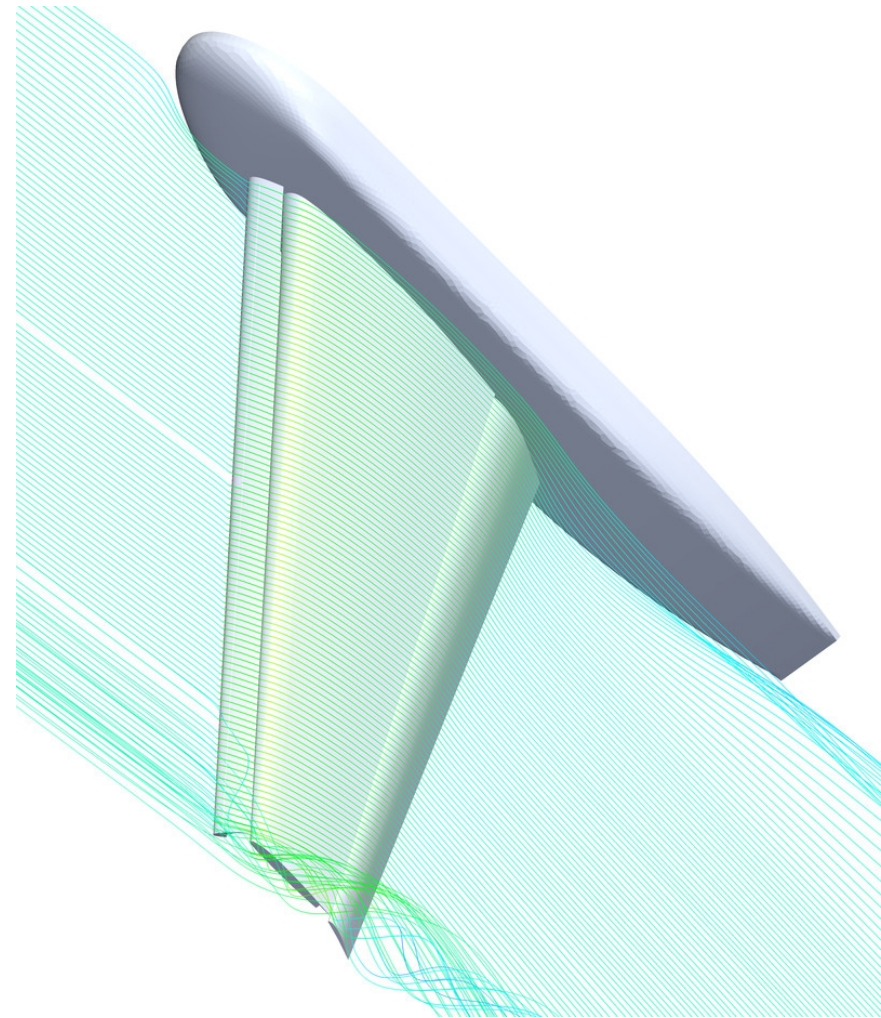
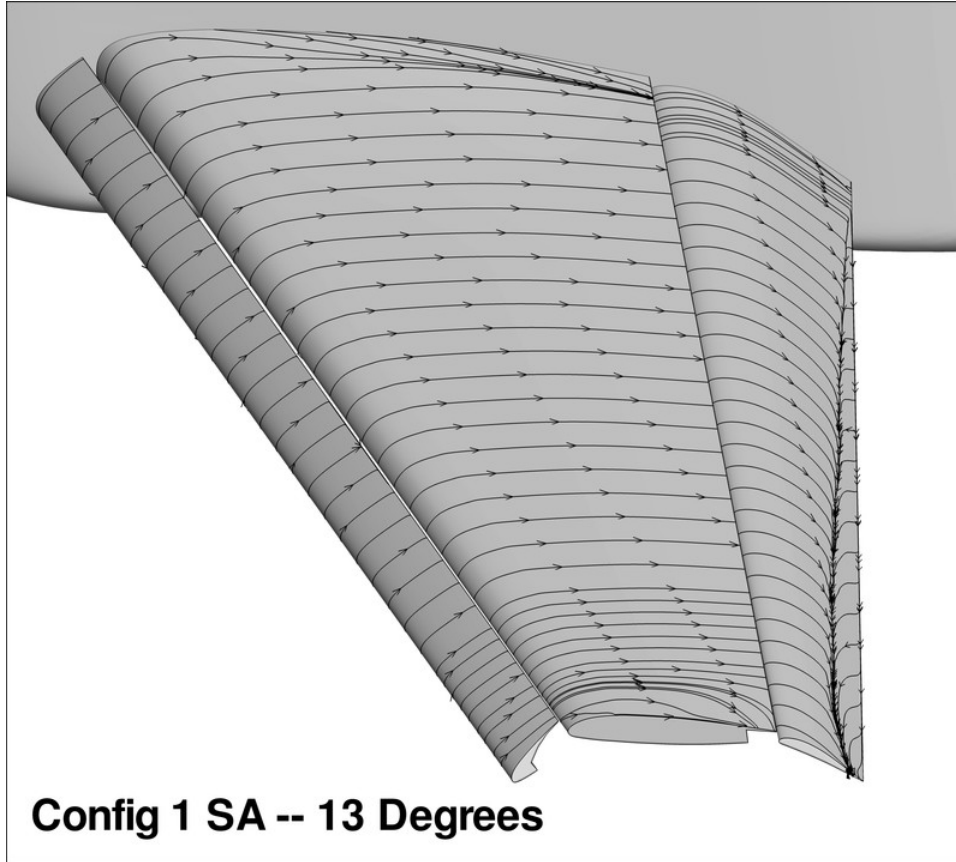


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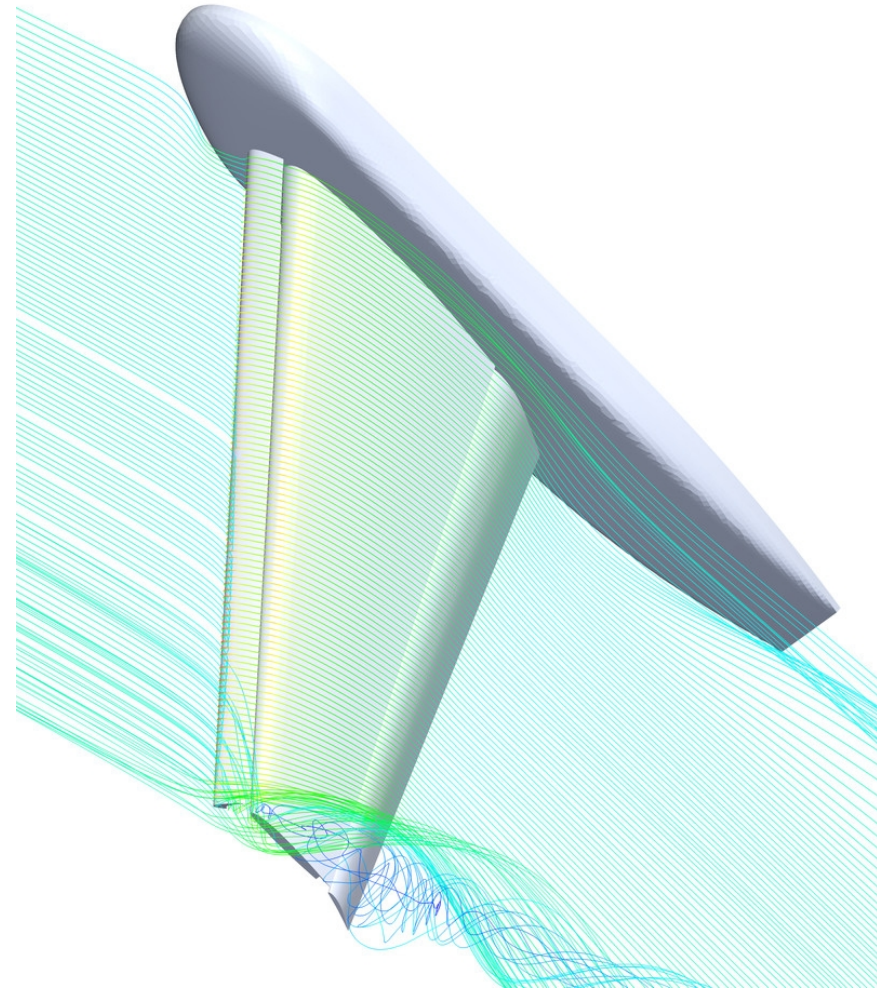
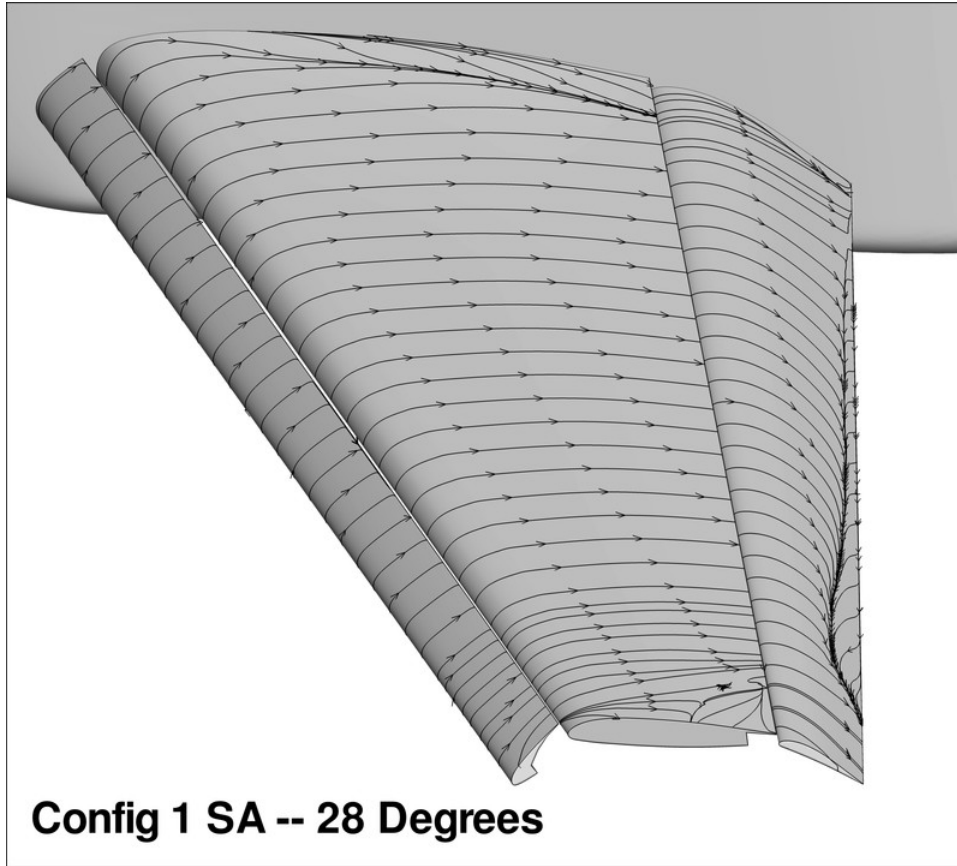
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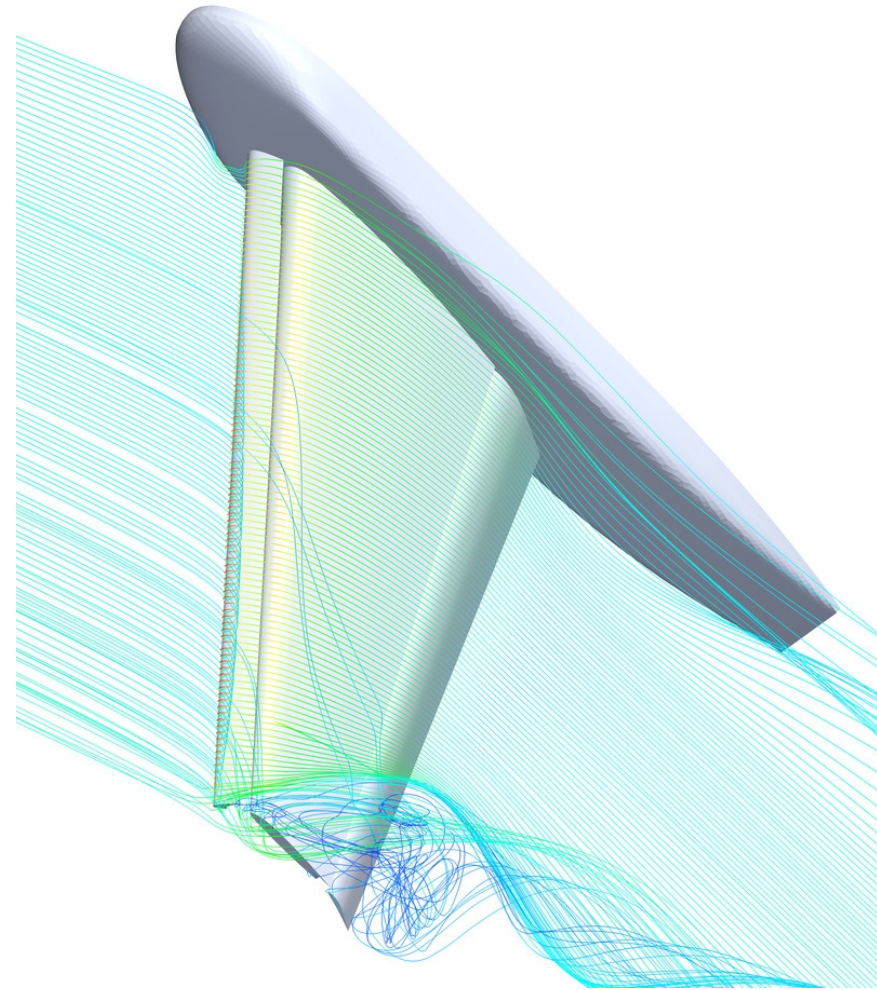
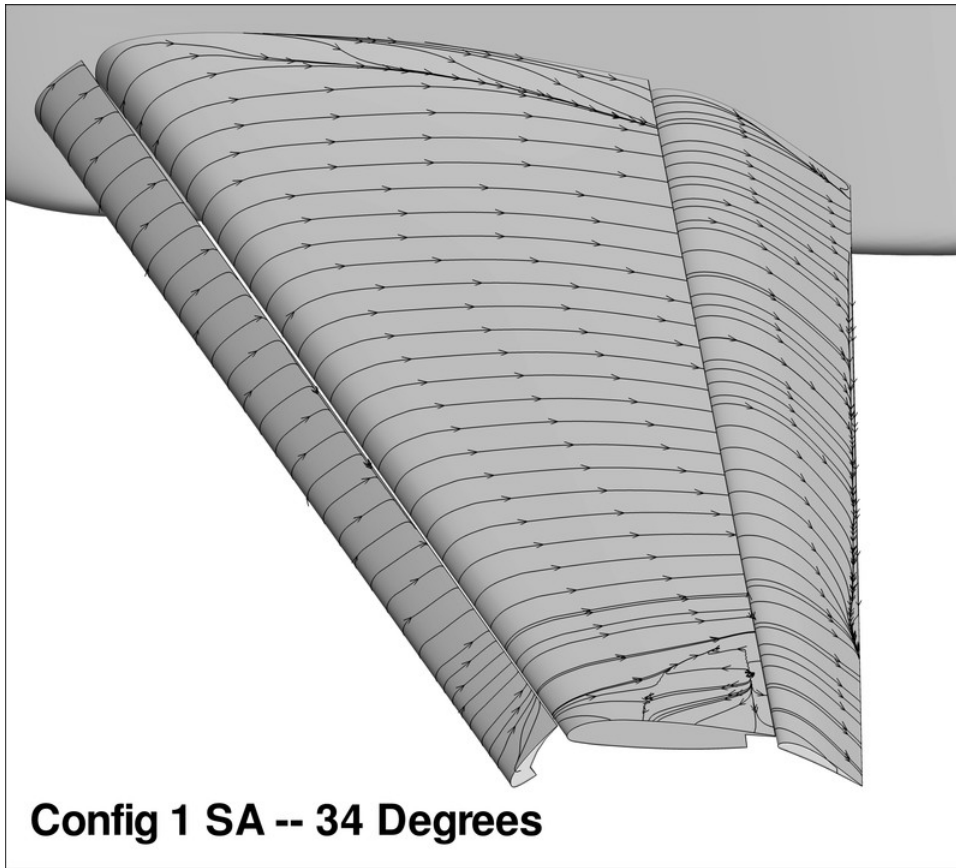


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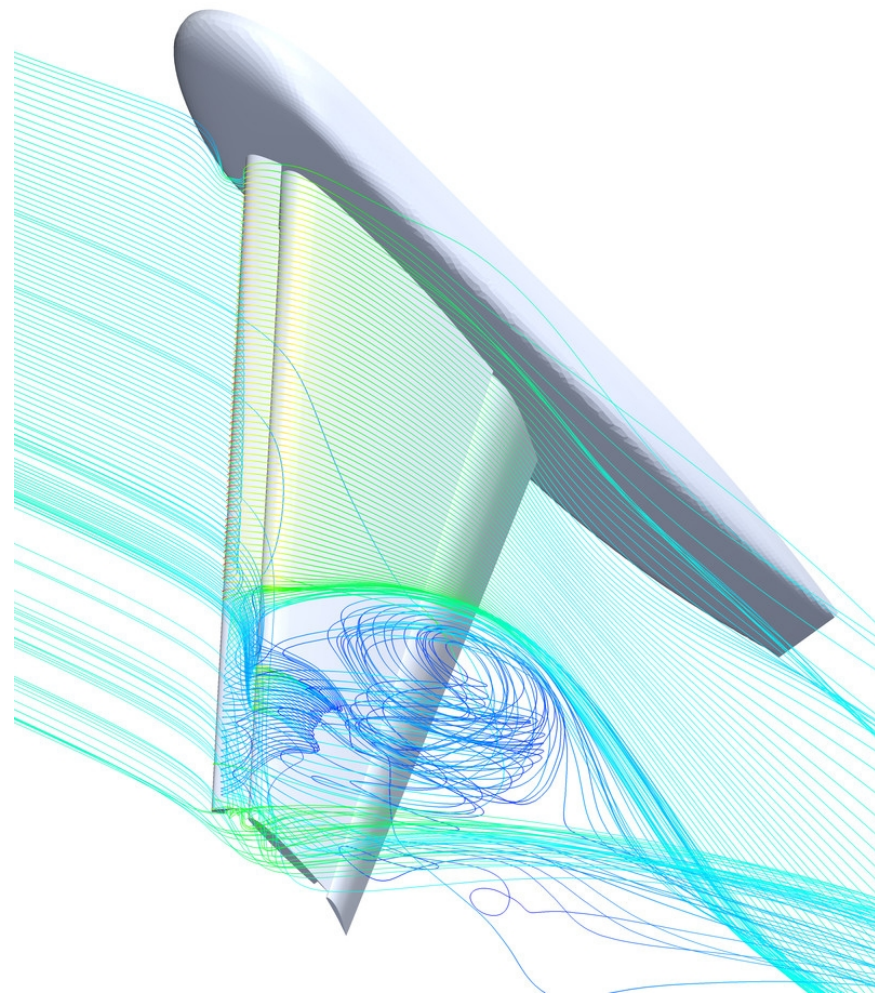
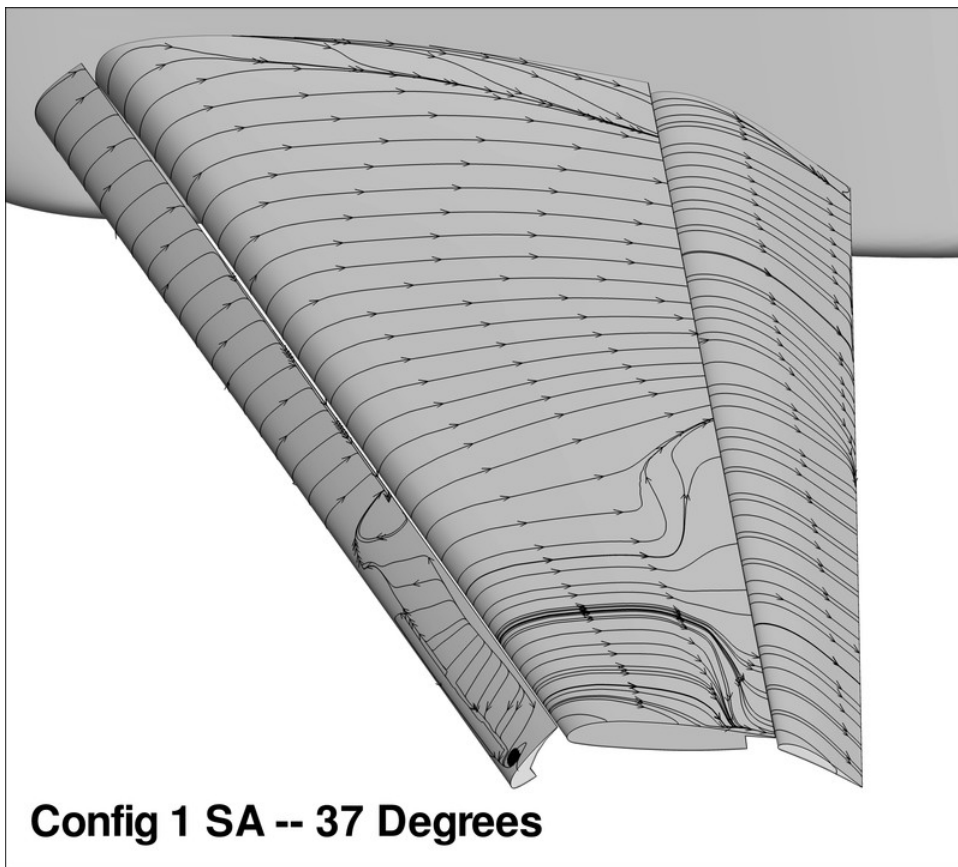




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- **Reasonable agreement with experimental data**
  - All cases run from scratch
    - Line implicit, Full multigrid for startup
  - No brackets, transition, wall effects
- **Reasonable grid convergence observed on configuration 1 using three grids**
  - Effect of finer grids...
- **Effect of flap deflection modeled very well at lower alphas**
  - Reasonable agreement with experiment at higher alphas
- **Convergence issues on Configuration 8**
  - Possible manifestation of hysteresis effect
- **Most difficult area to model is the outboard 5-10% span**

# Moving Forward...



- Simulations including the cross-derivative terms (full Navier-Stokes)
- Simulations using other turbulence models available within NSU3D.
- Modeling the slat and flap brackets
- Modeling the tunnel walls and comparing to uncorrected experimental data
- Time accurate simulations to better resolve the maximum lift region and post stall behavior.



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