

# **k- $\omega$ Model Computations with Variable $C_\mu$**

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# Overall Objective of NRA

- To develop physics based improvements to RANS and multi-resolution PANS models for highly separated aerodynamic flows
  - Start from fundamental first principles
  - Develop all models from a single unified framework

## Background and Motivation

- PANS proven in bluff body flows (FLUENT, FIRE, etc)
- Near-wall low Re PANS yet to be developed
  - Requires development physics based on low Re RANS models
- Many low Re RANS models are ad hoc and can not be directly applied to PANS
- Similar effort underway in Sweden (Peng et. al.)

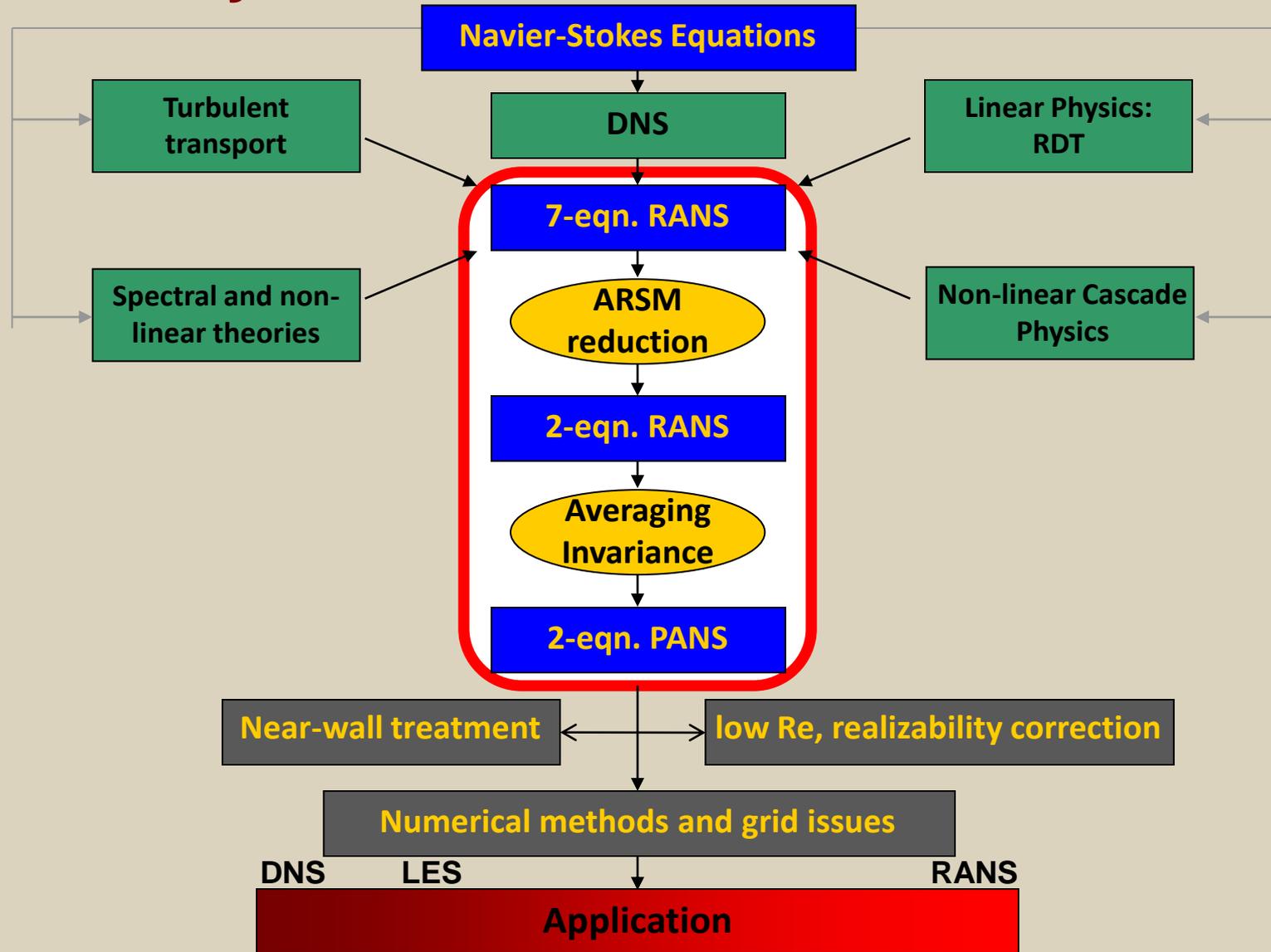
## Current Work

- Develop physics based low Re RANS models
  - Low Re flows do not have full spectrum
  - Can be approximated as rapidly distorted flows
  - *Rapid Distortion Theory can be used for deriving low Re Corrections*
  - In RDT limit turbulence behaves as elastic rather than viscous medium

## Outline

- Unified Development Methodology
- Proof of Concept
- Workshop Test Cases
- Results
- Conclusions

# Unified Physics-Based Multi-Resolution Modeling



## Standard Approach: Constant $C_\mu$

- Constant  $C_\mu$  valid when
  - Strain rate dominates
  - $Sk/\varepsilon = (3,5)$

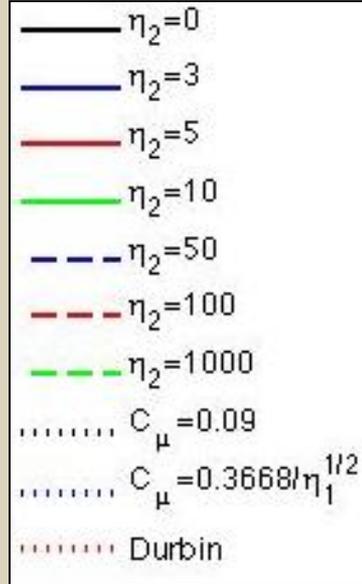
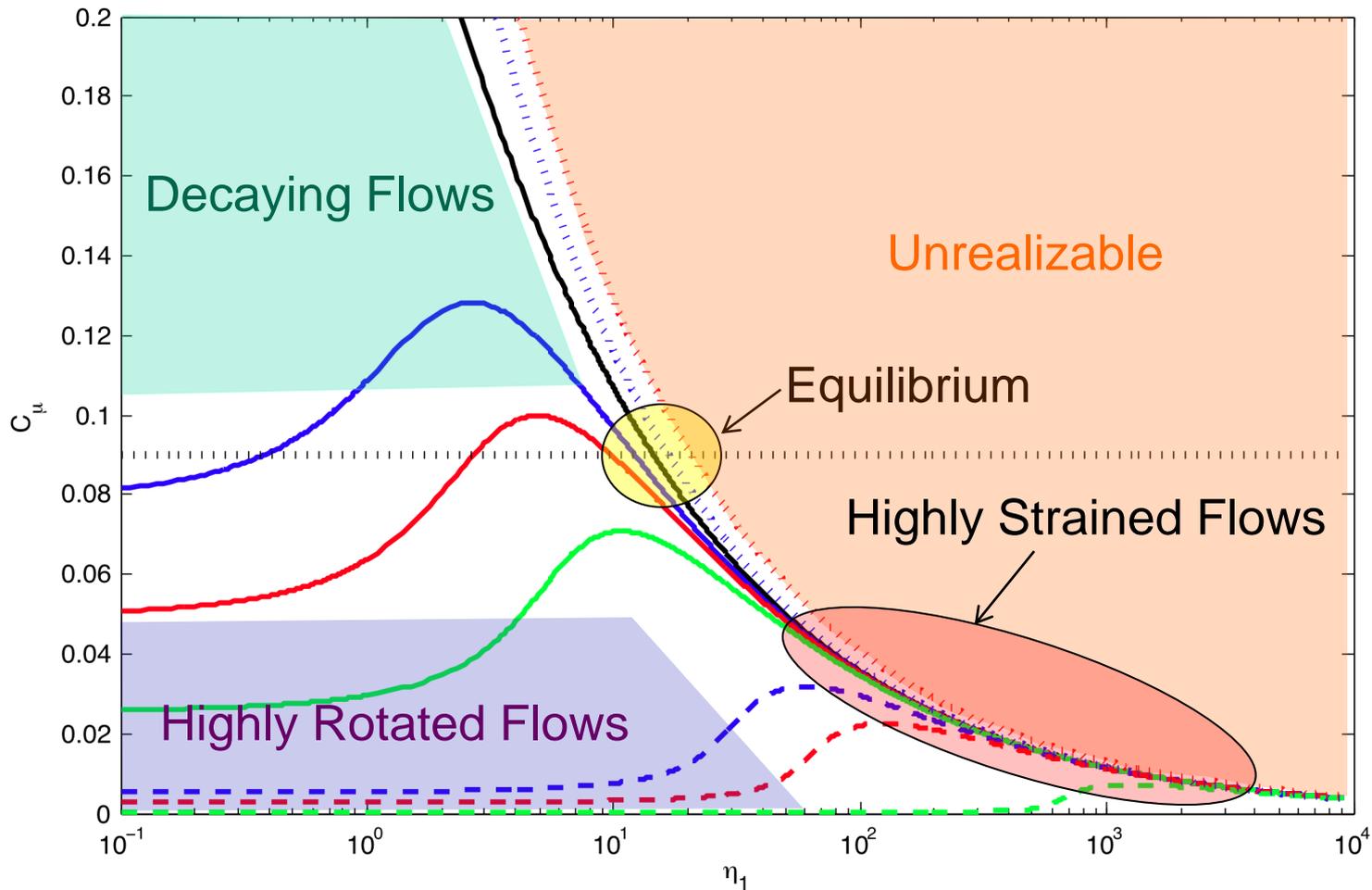
## Current Approach: Variable $C_\mu$ Modifications

- M1: Valid for all strain rates
  - $Sk/\varepsilon < 5 \rightarrow C_\mu = 0.09$
  - $Sk/\varepsilon > 5 \rightarrow$  RDT Values

$$\beta^* = \min \left[ 0.3668 \left( \frac{0.09\omega}{S} \right), 0.09 \right]$$

- M2: Valid for all strain rates and rotation rates
  - Linear coefficient from ARSM,  $C_\mu = C_\mu(\Omega_{ij}, S_{ij})$

# Variable $C_\mu$ RDT Physics



$$\eta_1 = \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} S_{ij} S_{ij}$$

$$\eta_2 = \frac{k^2}{\varepsilon^2} \Omega_{ij} \Omega_{ij}$$

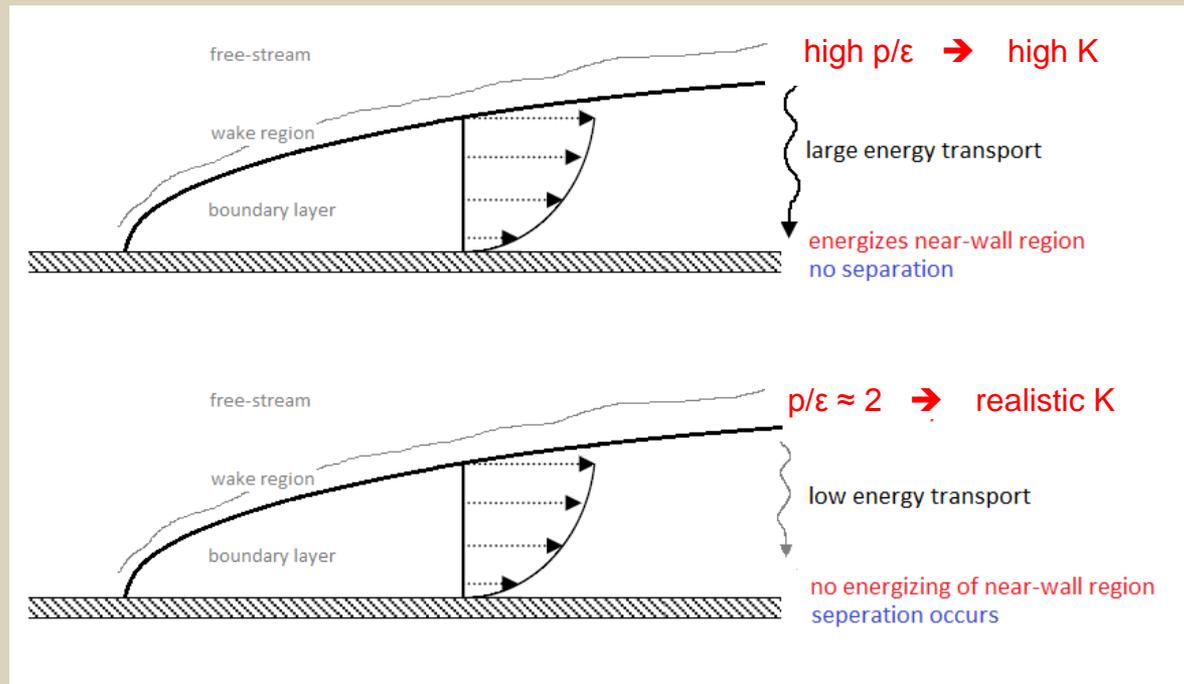
# Previous Work

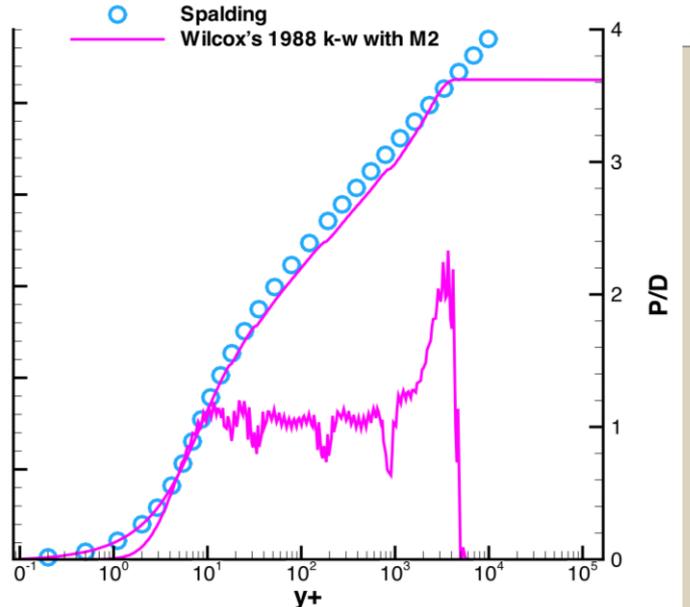
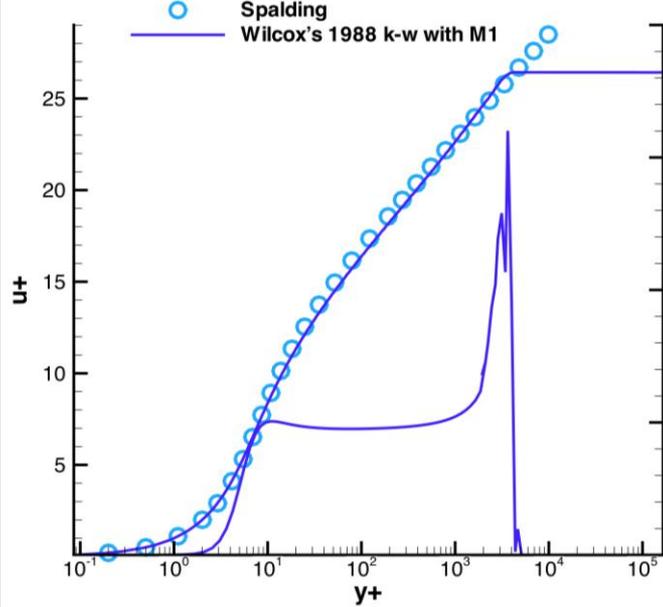
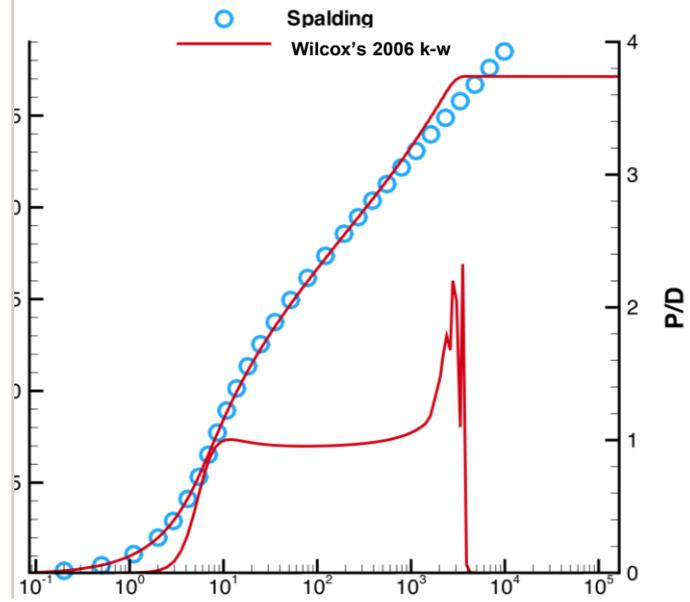
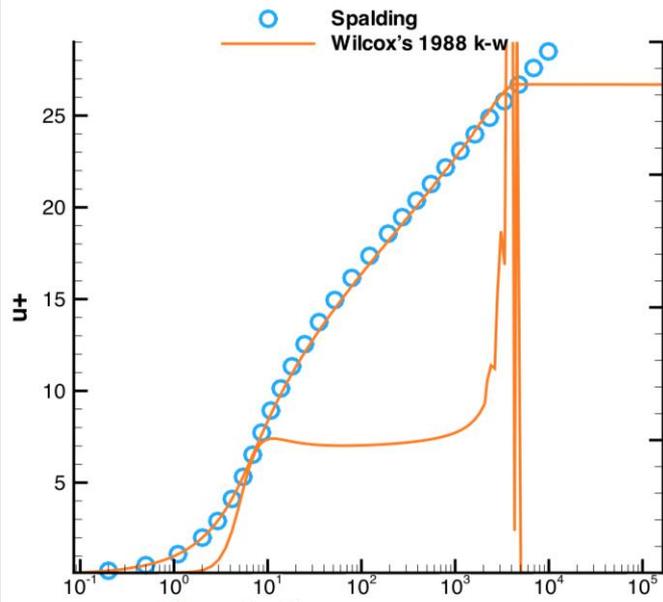
## Qualitative Observations about Separation

Flat Plate and Aerospatiale Airfoil

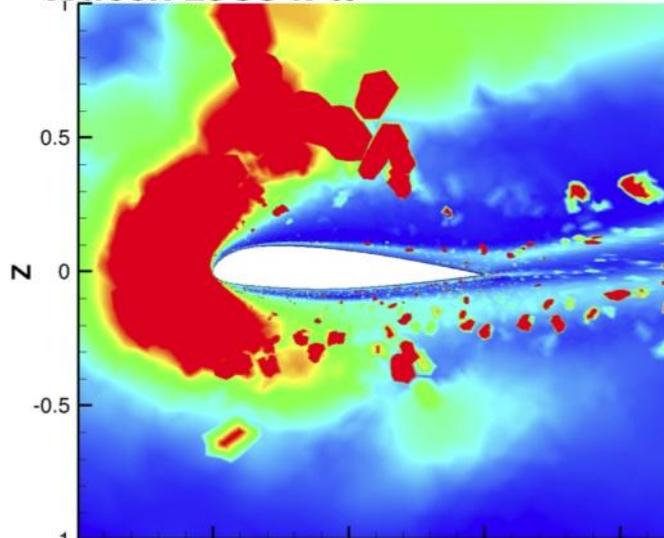
## Desired wake behavior from model

- Separation behavior dictated by what happens in the wake
- Overly energetic wake/freestream  $\rightarrow$  no separation
- Reasonable wake energy  $\rightarrow$  separation occurs
- **Correct  $P/\epsilon$  needed in near wall region**

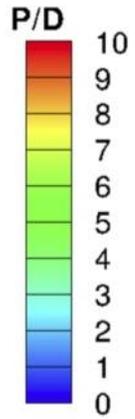
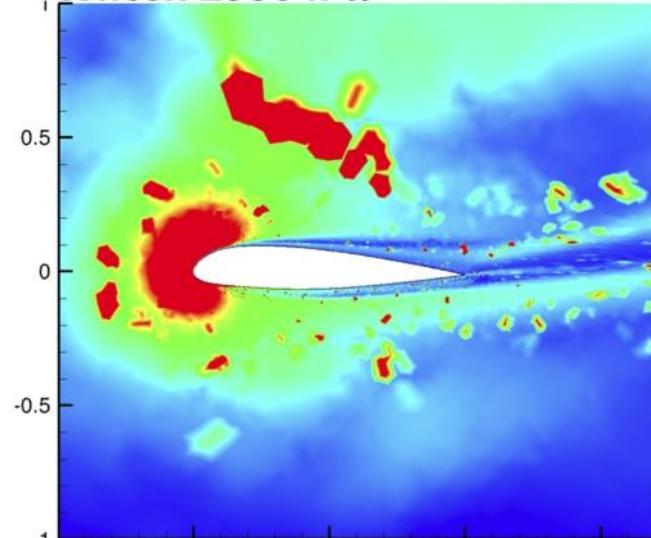




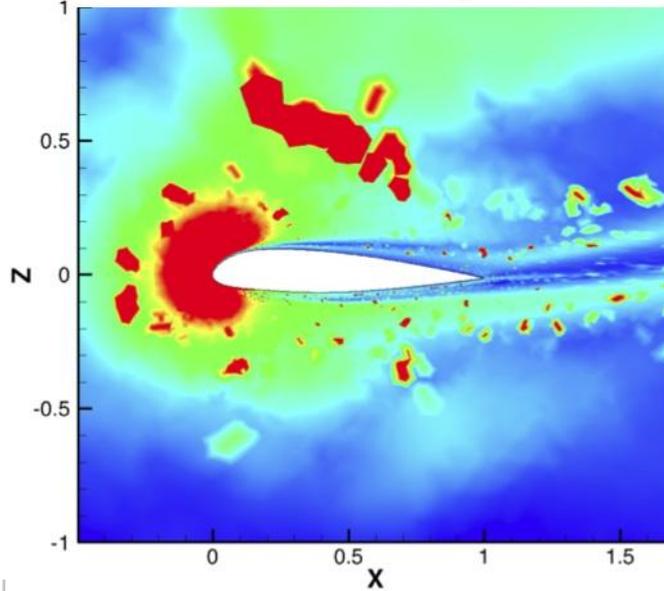
Wilcox 1988 k- $\omega$



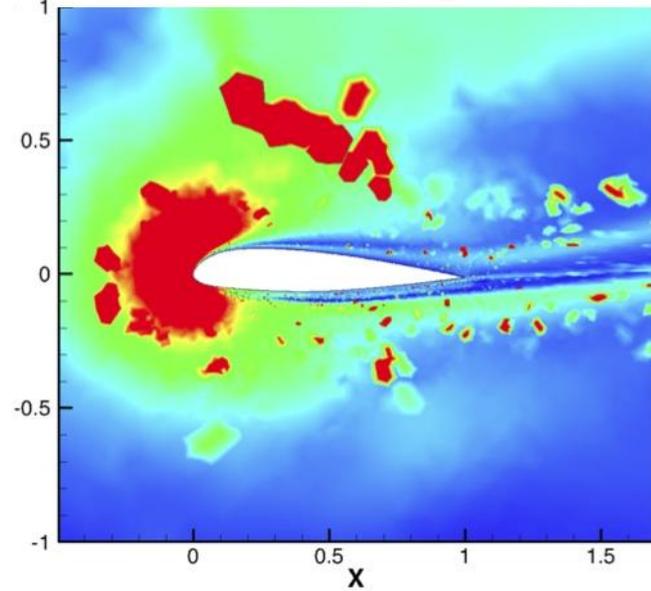
Wilcox 2006 k- $\omega$



Wilcox 1988 k- $\omega$  w/M1



Wilcox 1988 k- $\omega$  w/M2



# Workshop Results

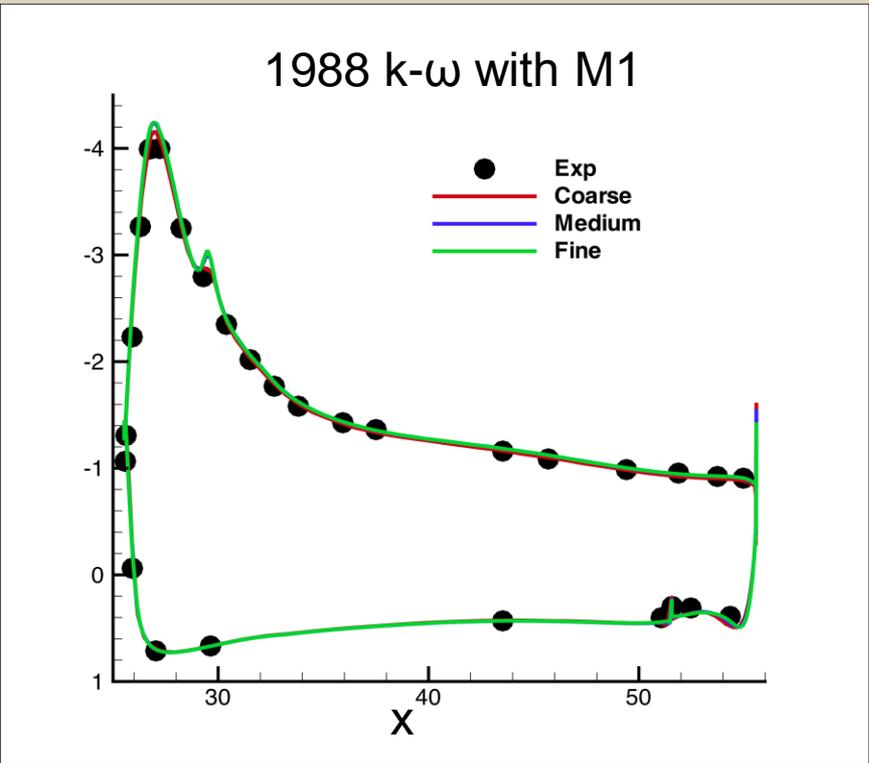
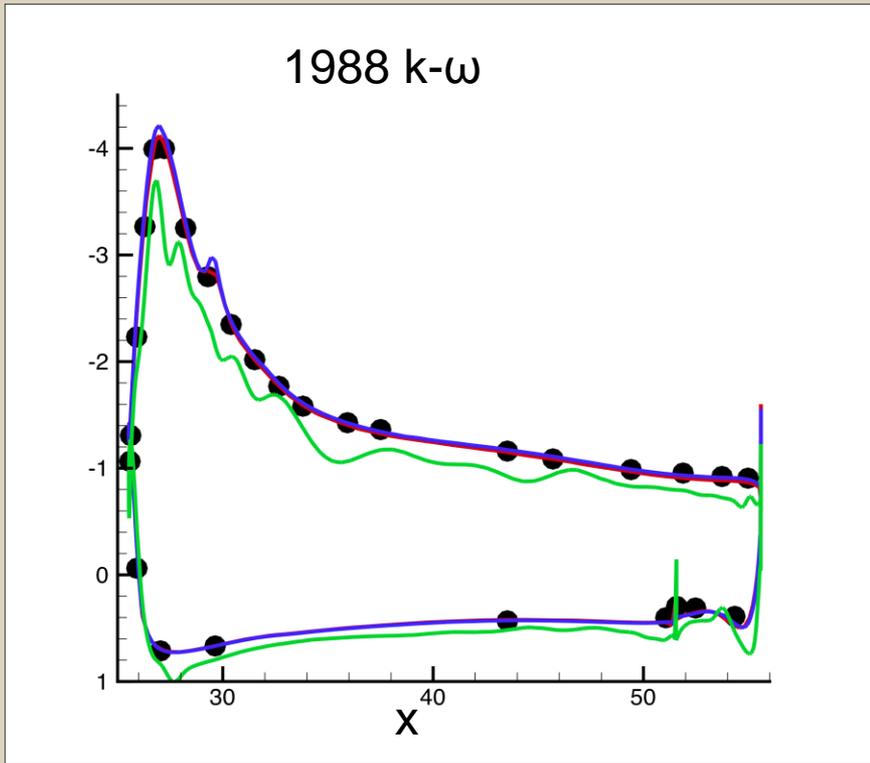
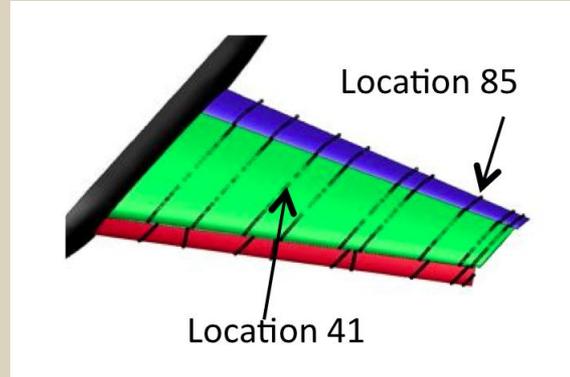
- USM3D
  - tetrahedral time accurate solver
  - all simulations are steady state
- Grids
  - Coarse Grid: 7,237,190
  - Medium Grid: 21,743,354
  - Fine Grid: 62,644,381
- Models
  - Wilcox's 1988  $k-\omega$
  - Wilcox's 1988  $k-\omega$  with M1 modification

# Grid Convergence Studies

$C_p$  Distribution at AOA 13  
Configuration 1

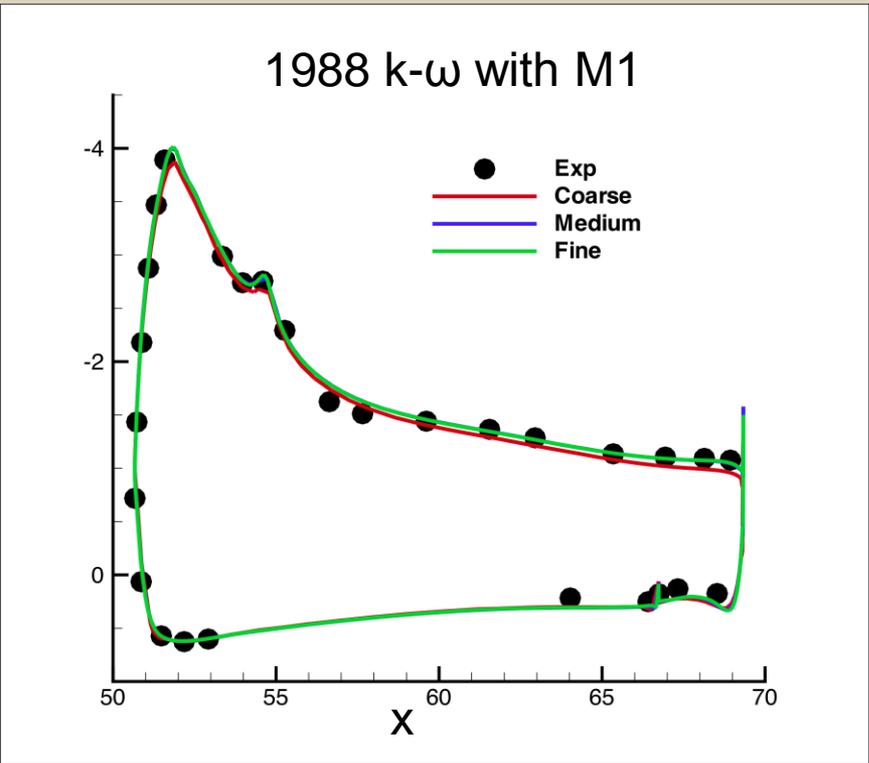
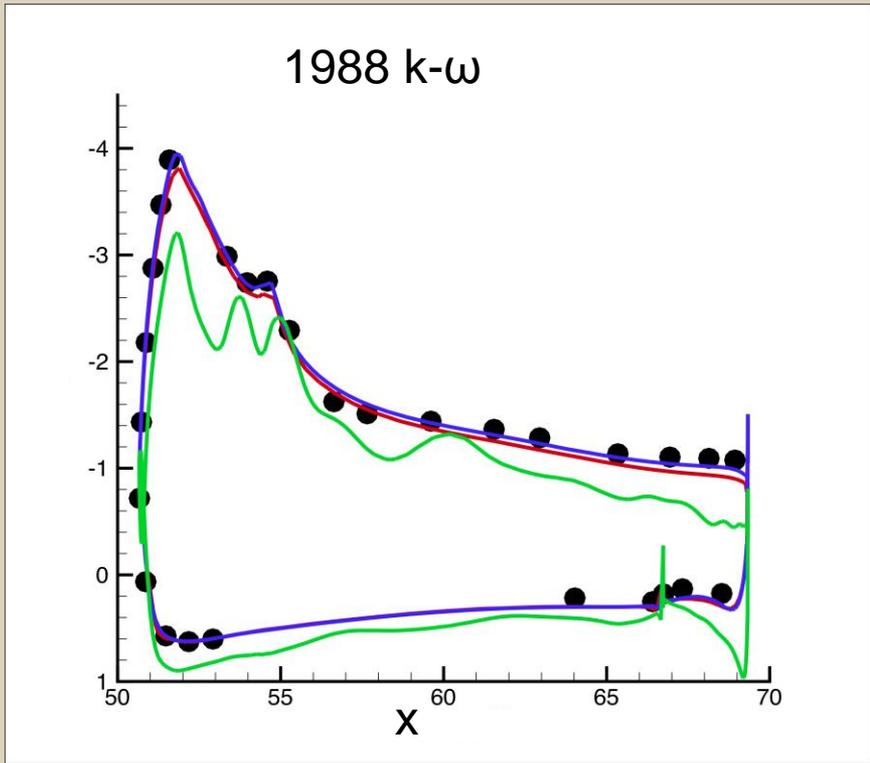
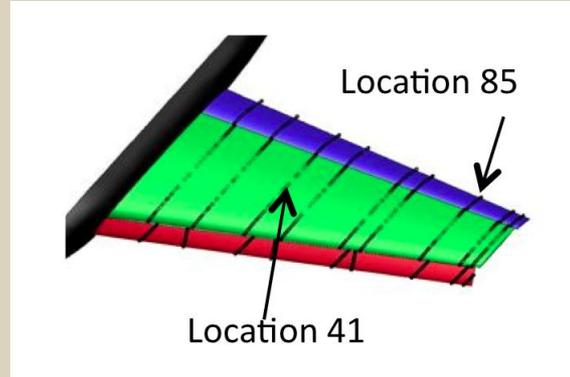
# Main 41

AOA 13



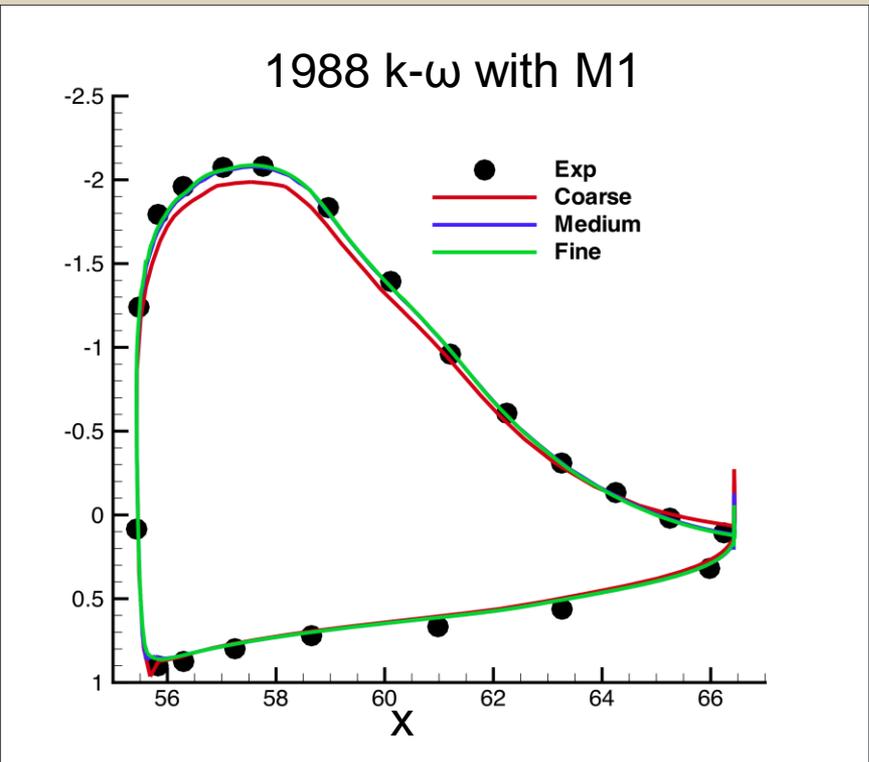
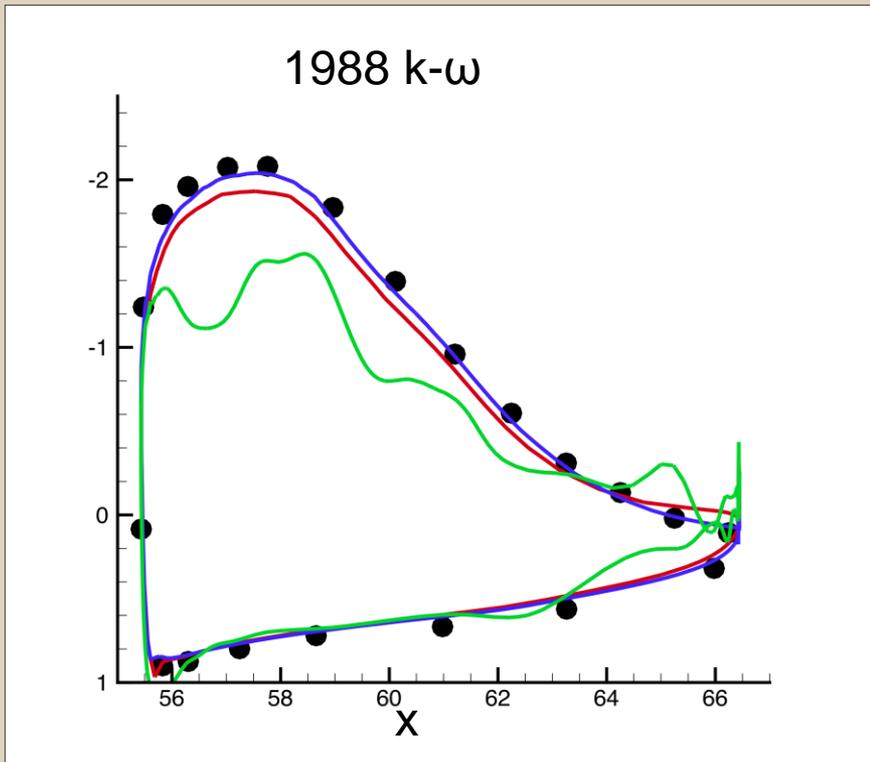
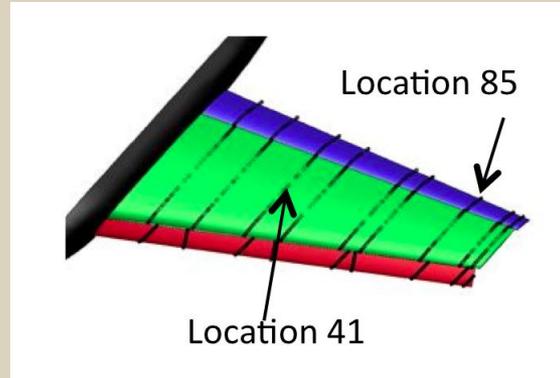
# Main 85

AOA 13



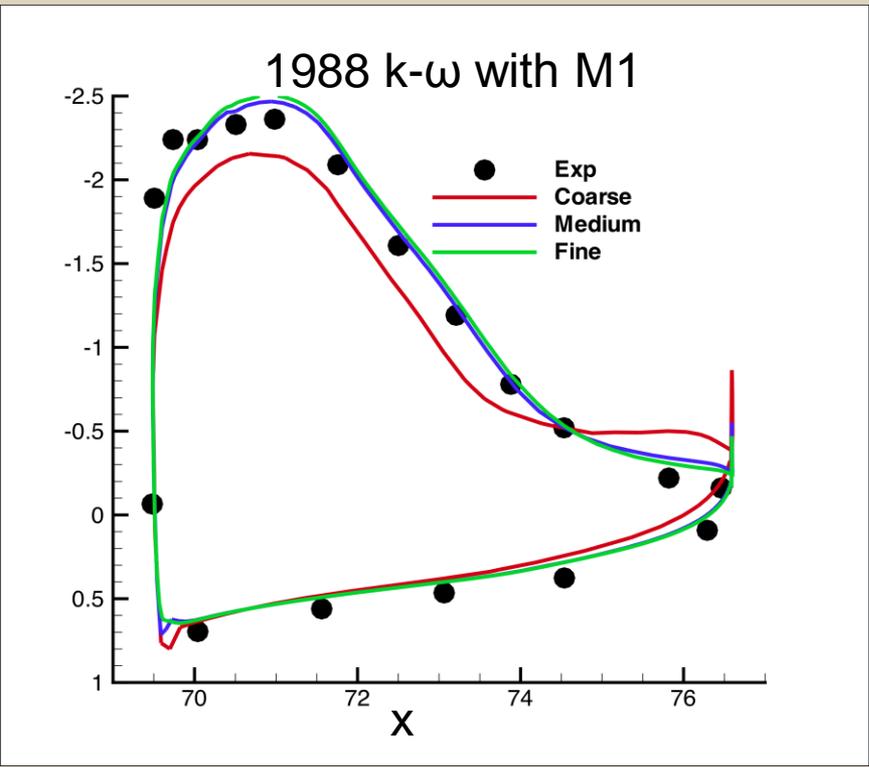
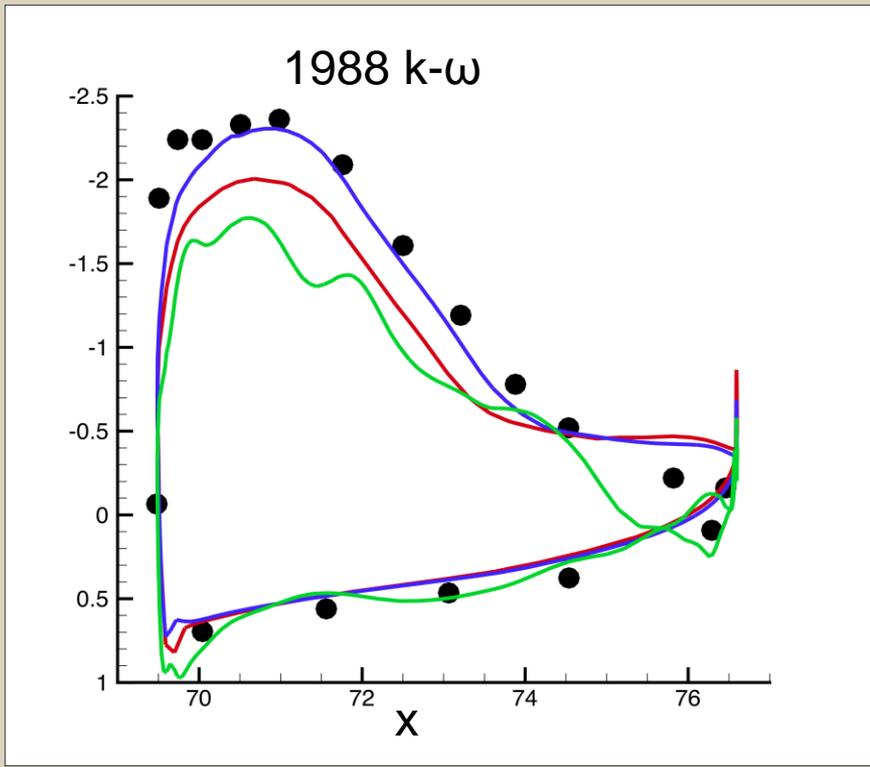
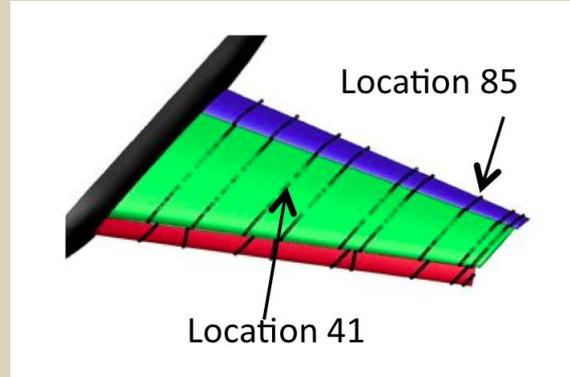
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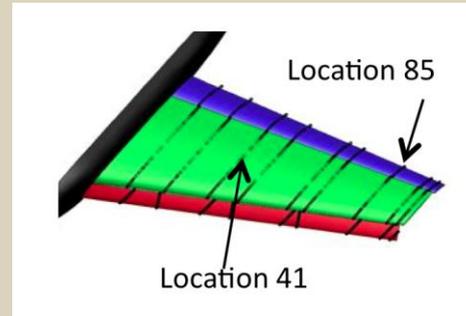
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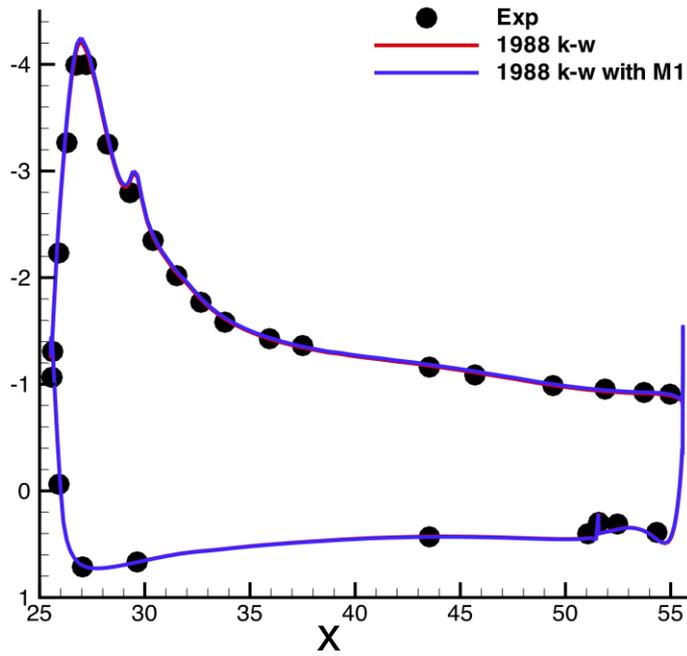
# Model Comparisons

$C_p$  Distribution at AOA 13 & 28  
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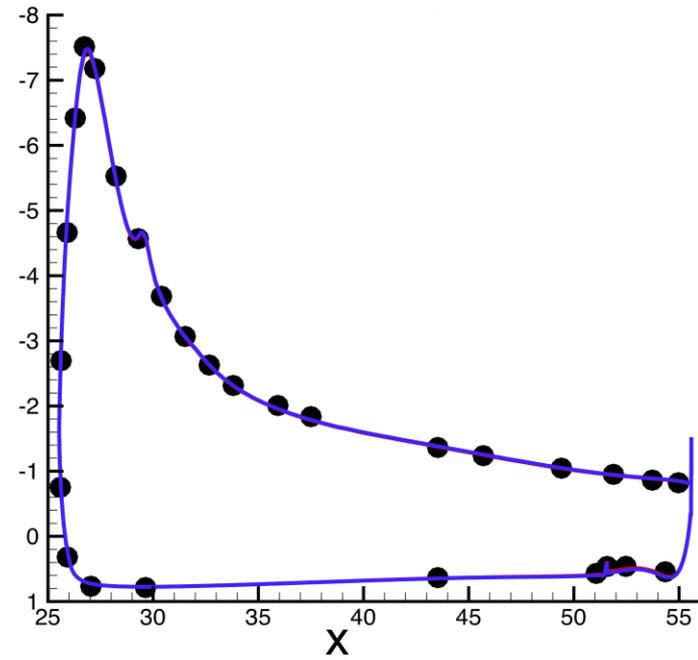
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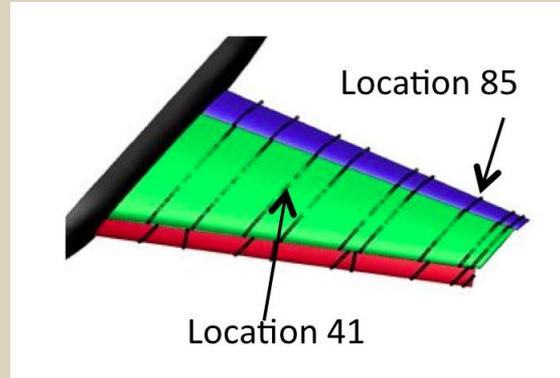
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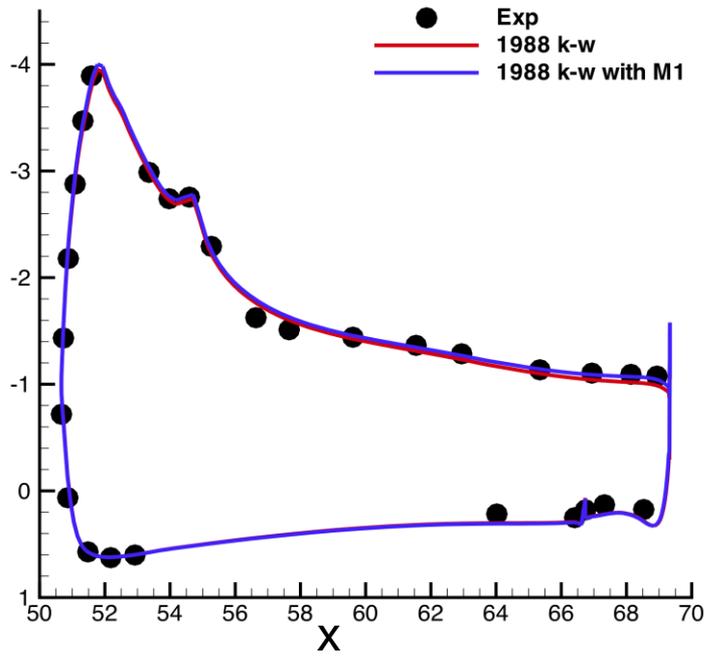
AOA 28



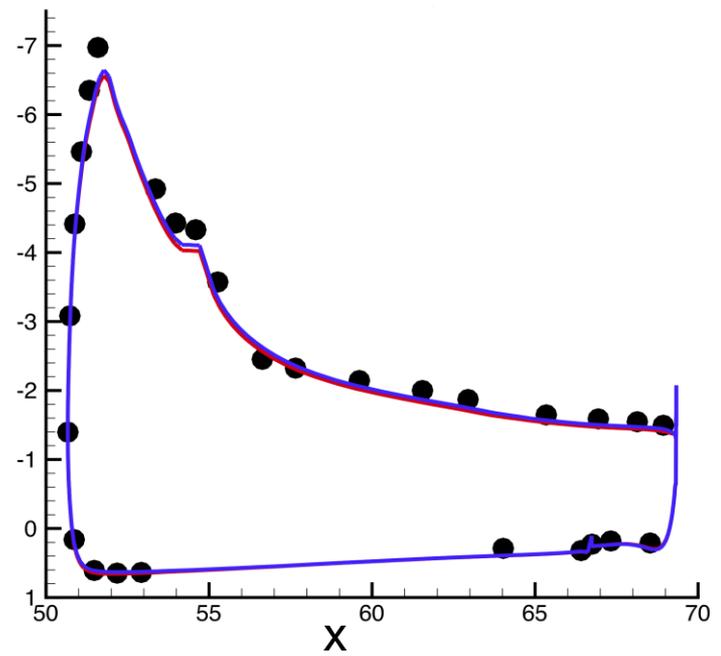
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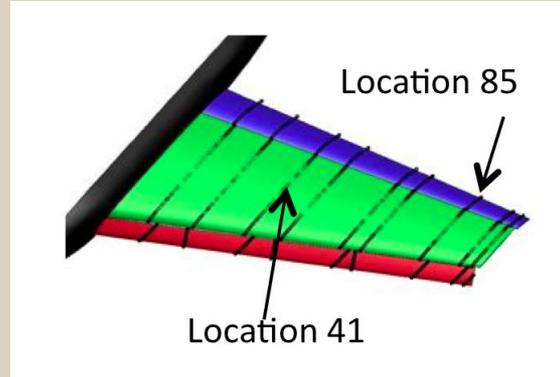
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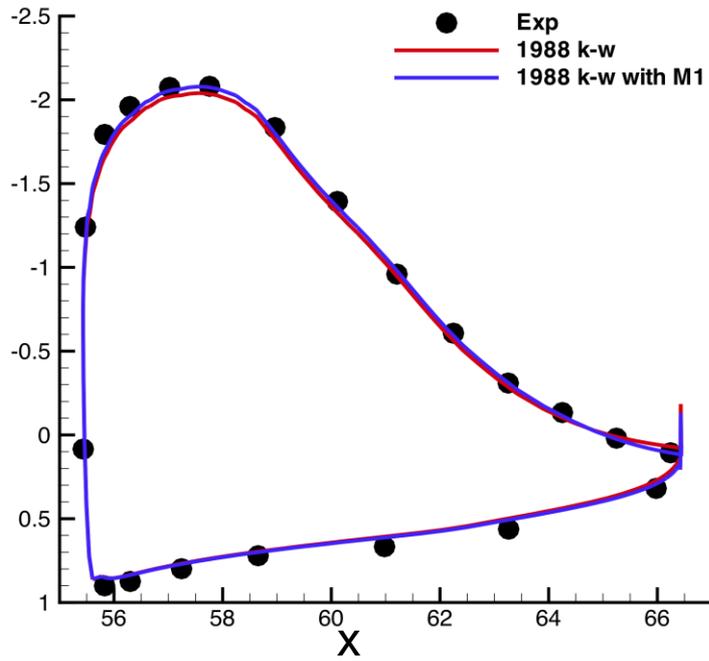
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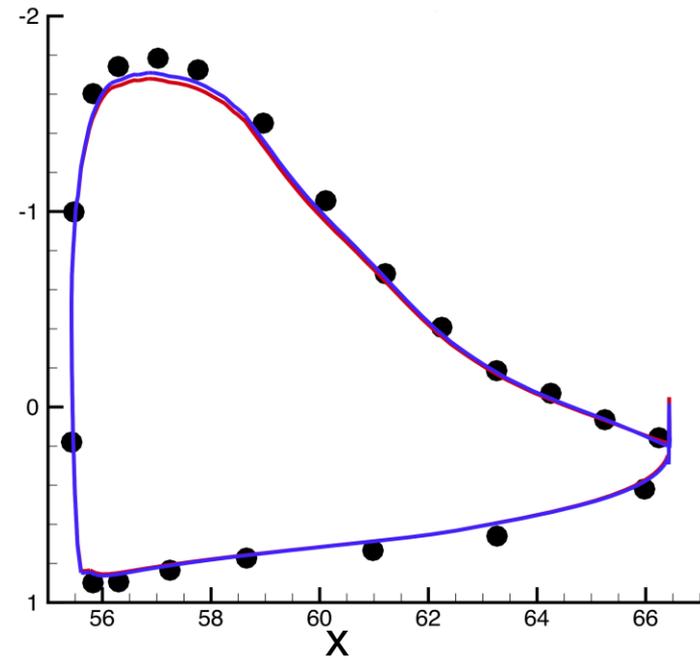
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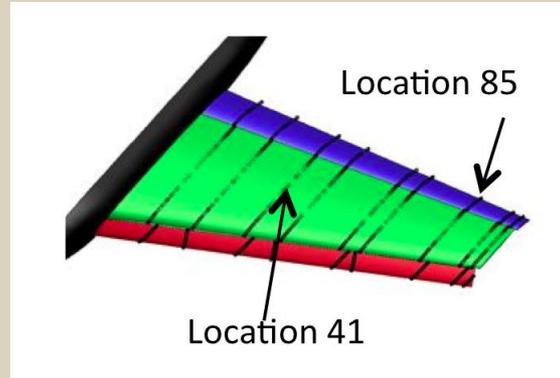
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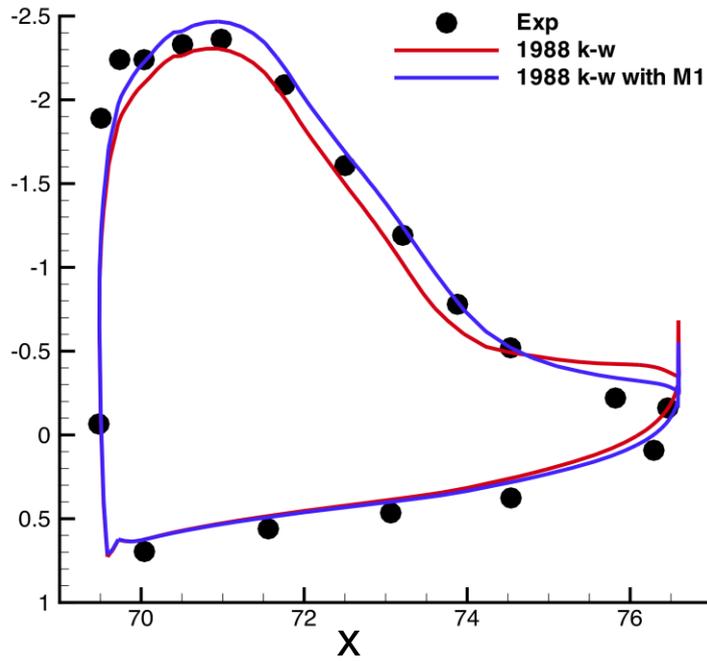
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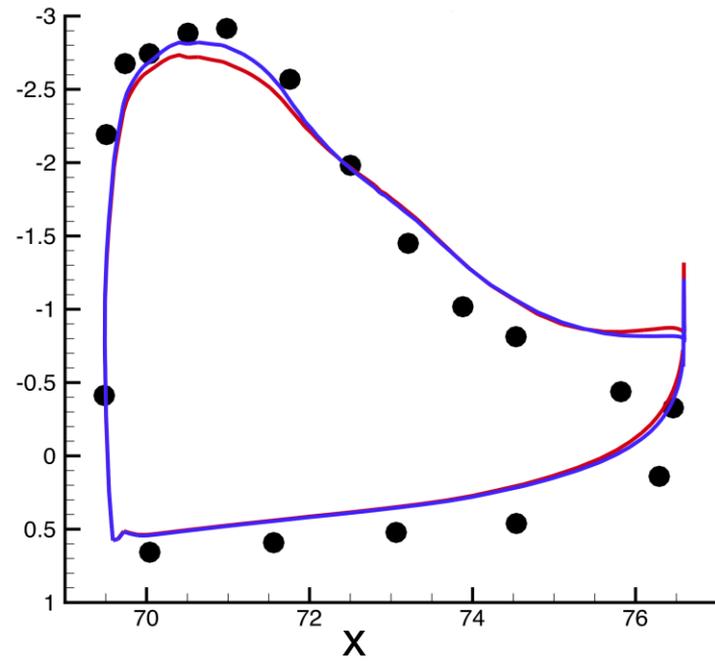
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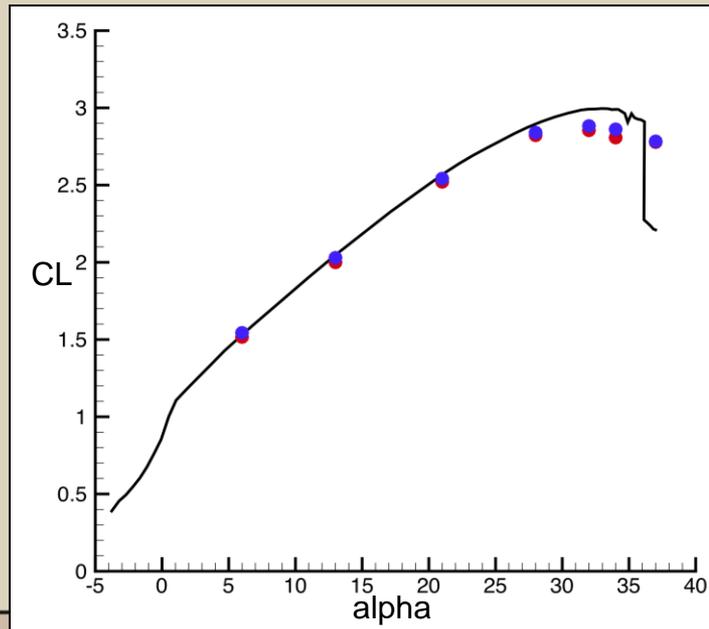
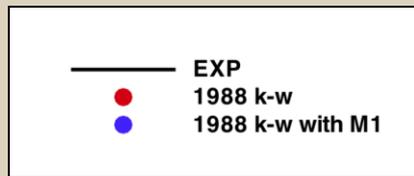
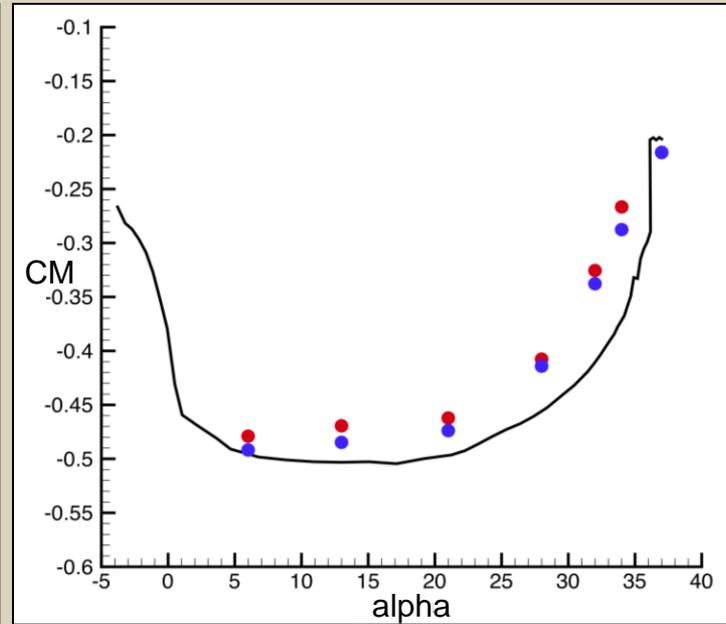
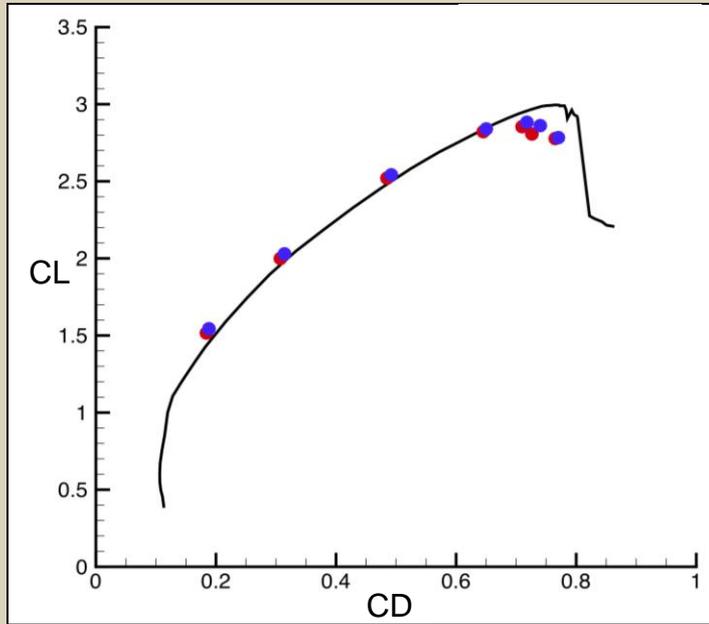
AOA 13



AOA 28



# Force and Moment



## Conclusions and Future Plans

- Physics based low Re  $C_\mu$  correction developed (PhD Dissertation--Sunil Lakshimpathy)
- Correction improves performance in Aerospatiale airfoil – benchmark test case
- For workshop cases standard and M1 models produce similar results
  - However standard model does not converge for all grids
- At high AOA both models require further improvement
  - M2 Rotation effects may be important
- *Low Re and vorticity corrections to be implemented into PANS constitutive relation*