

# NSMB contribution to the 2nd High Lift Prediction Workshop

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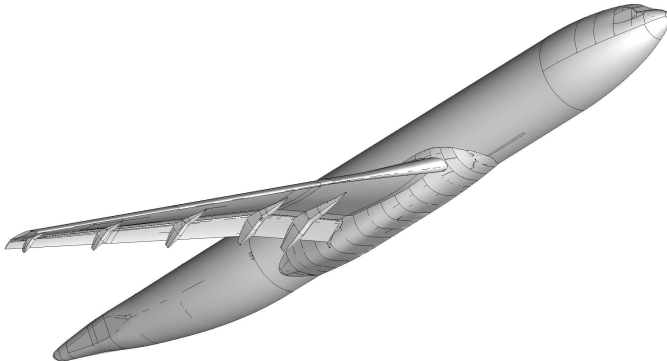
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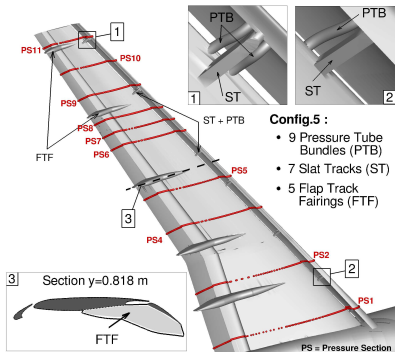
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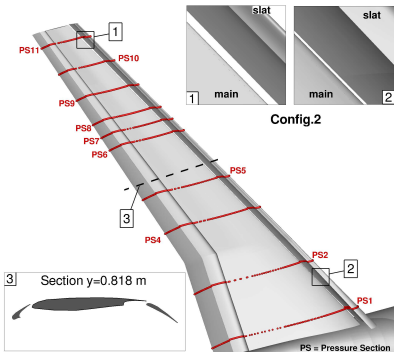
## Configuration of the HiLiftPW-2 : DLR-F11 in landing configuration full-span slat (26.5°) and flap (32°)



## Accuracy of the CAD :



Config.5



Config.2

- ⇒ Simplified Config.2 choose for this numerical study
- ⇒ Config.5 closest to the experiment

## Grid :

Committee-supplied structured 1-to-1 grids :

### **A\_str\_1to1\_Case1Config2**

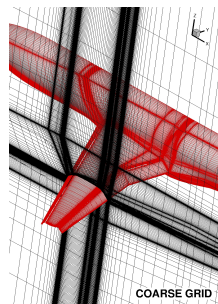
made by Boeing-Huntington Beach

3 grid sizes :

	cells	dy [mm]	dy / MAC
coarse	9,556,725	0.0006525	1.88e-6
medium	31,998,440	0.000435	1.29e-6
fine	100,561,536	0.00029	0.83e-6

Reference :

$$\begin{aligned}C_{ref} &= MAC &= 347.09\text{mm} \\S_{ref} &= 419,130\text{mm}^2 \\(x, y, z)_{ref} &= (1428.90, 0.0, -41.61)\text{mm}\end{aligned}$$



## CFD solver : NSMB (Navier-Stokes Multi-Block)

### History :

- In 1992, NSMB is developed in an international consortium with industrial partners (Airbus & SAAB Military Aircraft, CFS Engineering) and academic partners in France, Germany and Switzerland (EPFL, SERAM, IMFT, KTH, CERFACS)
- Today, it is developed by EPFL, ETH, Icube, IMFT, TUM, Polytechnique Montreal, CFS Engineering and RUAG and NSMB is being used by Airbus-France, EADS-ST and KTH

### Descriptions :

- Finite volume Navier-Stokes solver with multi-blocks definition
- Wide code based on general features of modern CFD (grid flexibility, space discretization schemes, time integration, convergence acceleration, parallel computing, ...)

## Parameters of simulations :

All simulations were performed using the following parameters :

- Space discretization :  
4th order central scheme with Jameson artificial dissipation
- Time integration :  
implicit 2nd order backward, LU-SGS
  - steady : local time step, no multigrid
  - unsteady : dual time stepping, multigrid,  
$$\Delta t = \Delta t \cdot U_{ref} / c_{ref} = 0.06 [-]$$
- Turbulence models : SA, SA Edwards, SA-salsa
- Initial Condition (IC) :
  - freestream (so-called from scratch),
  - pre-stall (from solution at  $\alpha = 16^\circ$ ),
  - ramping angle (from solution at  $\alpha = \alpha - 1^\circ$ ).

## Simulations performed

Turbulence model	Grid Size	Angle of attack [°]	Initial Condition	Time Resolution
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### HiLiftPW requirement : Grid Convergence Study (case 1 of HiLiftPW-2)

SA	C, M, F	7, 16 and 22.4	freestream	steady
SA-Edwards	C, M, F	7, 16 and 22.4	freestream	steady
SA-salsa	C, M, F	7, 16 and 22.4	freestream	steady

### Extended simulations, part 1 : Initial condition issues on stall prediction

SA-Edwards	M	20 to 24 in steps of 1	freestream	steady
SA-Edwards	M	18.5 to 24 in steps of 0.5	from $\alpha = 16^\circ$	steady
SA-Edwards	M	17 to 26 in steps of 1	from $\alpha = \alpha - 1^\circ$	steady

### Extended simulations, part 2 : Unsteady Simulations

SA-Edwards	M	7, 16 and 22.4	from steady state	unsteady
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## Grid convergence study Case 1 of the HiLiftPW-2

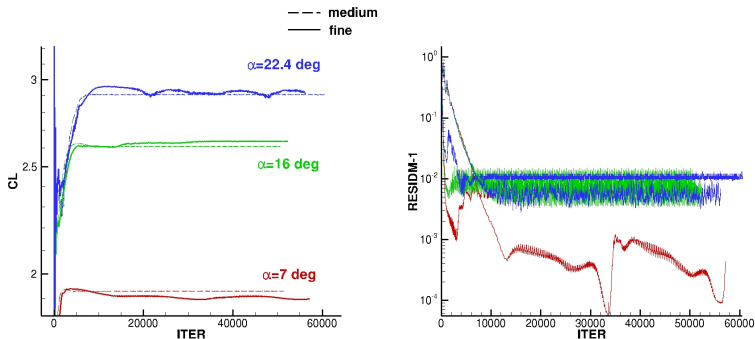
### Purposes :

- Test of NSMB
- Test of the influence of the grid size
- Test of the influence of the turbulence models

### Parameters :

- Steady solver, freestream IC
- 3 turbulence models : SA, SA-Edouards, SA-salsa
- 3 grid sizes : coarse, medium and fine

## Histories of force and convergence

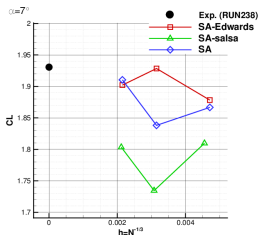


(SA-Edouards)

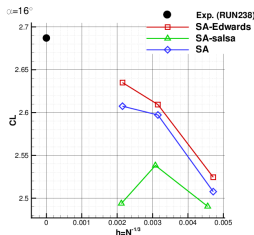
- ⇒ Oscillation of the forces, weak convergence
- ⇒ Less oscillation on fine grid than on coarse/medium grids



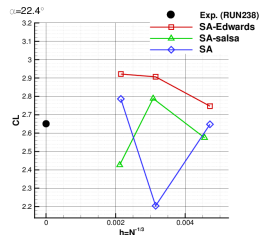
## Grid convergence of the lift :



$\alpha = 7^\circ$



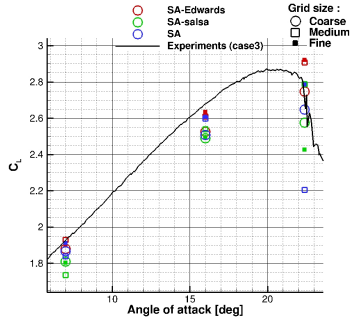
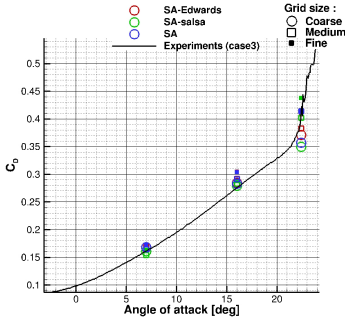
$\alpha = 16^\circ$



$\alpha = 22.4^\circ$

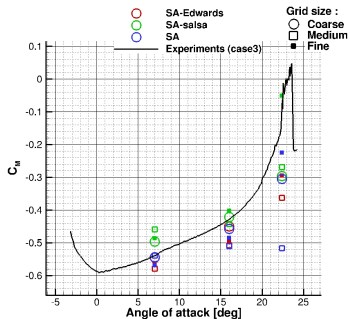
$\Rightarrow$  No overall grid convergence for the three angles-of-attack

## Forces :



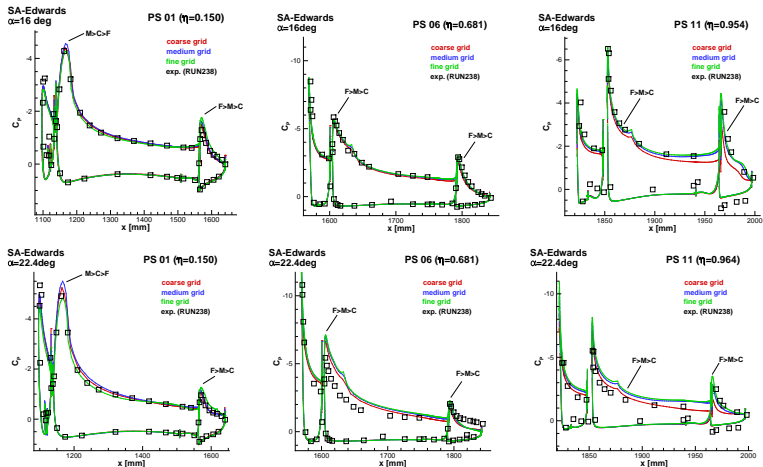
- ⇒ Large dispersion of the results at high angles-of-attack
- ⇒ Under-estimation of the lift

## Pitching Moment :



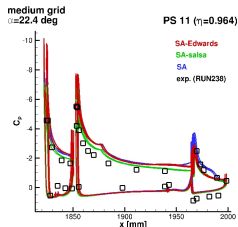
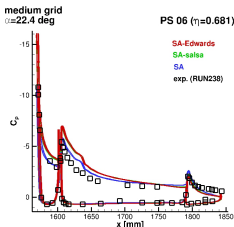
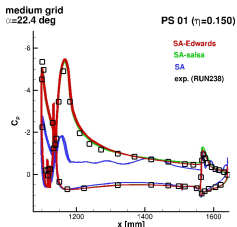
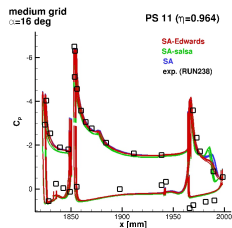
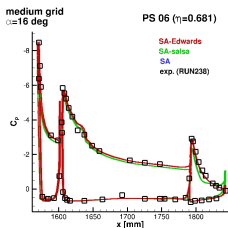
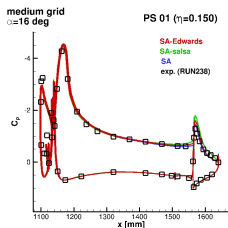
⇒ Dispersion of the results at all angles-of-attack

## Pressure Distribution : Effect of the grid size ( $\alpha = 16^\circ; 22.4^\circ$ )



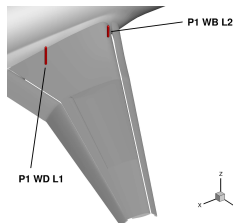
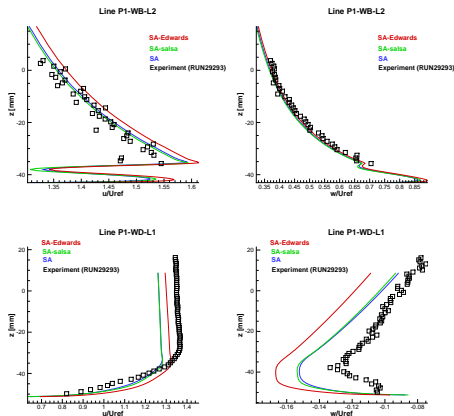
- ⇒ Coarse grid results off the results of fine/medium grids
- ⇒ Good agreement with the experiment

## Pressure Distribution : Effect of the turbulence model



⇒ Low effect of the SA-models,  
excepted for SA  $\alpha = 22.4^\circ$  (root flow separation predicted)

## Velocity Profiles :



N.B. : the experimental results are at low Reynolds Number

## Stall study

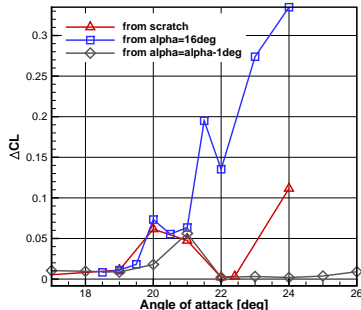
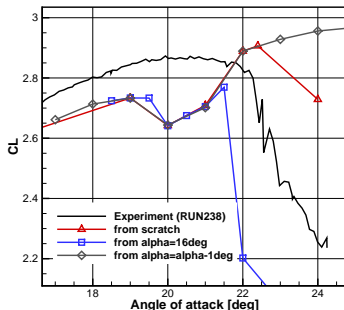
### Purposes :

- Fine angle-of-attack definition at the stall range
- Description of the flow behavior until the stall
- Test of initial conditions

### Parameters :

- Steady solver, SA-Edouards, medium grid
- 3 IC : freestream, pre-stall and ramping

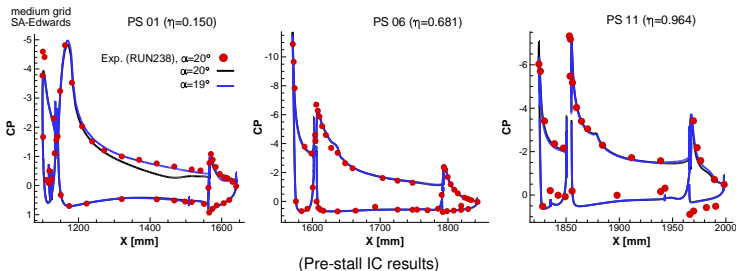
## Lift : Influence of the initial condition



- ⇒ Small lift decrease at stall without influence of the IC
- ⇒ Strong influence of the IC at the post-stall with lift drop

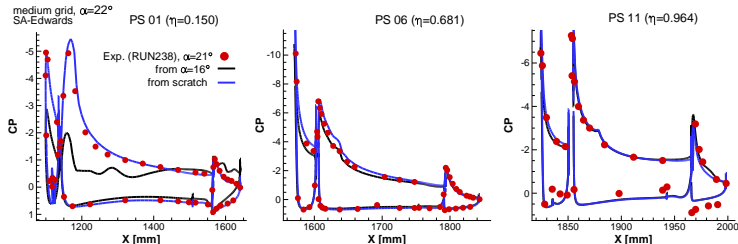


## Pressure Distribution : Origin of the first lift decrease, Comparison between $\alpha = 19^\circ$ and $20^\circ$



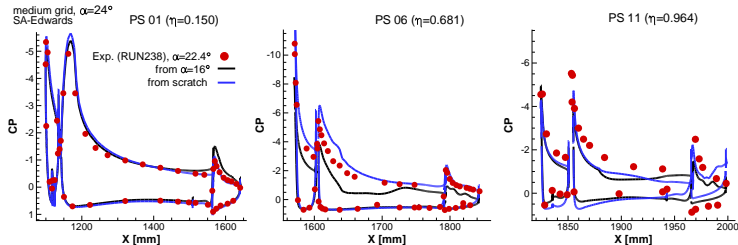
$\Rightarrow$  Lift decrease at  $\alpha = 20^\circ$  is caused by low pressure at the root section

## Pressure Distribution : Post-stall simulations, Influence of the initial condition at $\alpha = 22^\circ$



⇒ pressure drop at the root section (separated flow) for pre-stall IC

## Pressure Distribution : Post-stall simulations, Influence of the initial condition at $\alpha = 24^\circ$



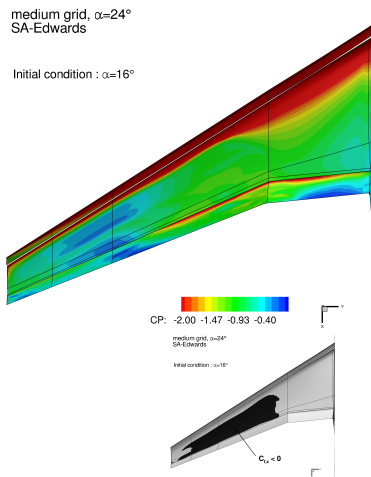
- ⇒ Pressure lost at the tip section (separated flow) for all IC
  - ⇒ Separated flow larger with freestream IC than with pre-stall IC
- IC

## Separated flow at $\alpha = 24^\circ$ :

Pressure distribution (rescaled,  $C_P \in [-2 : 0]$ )

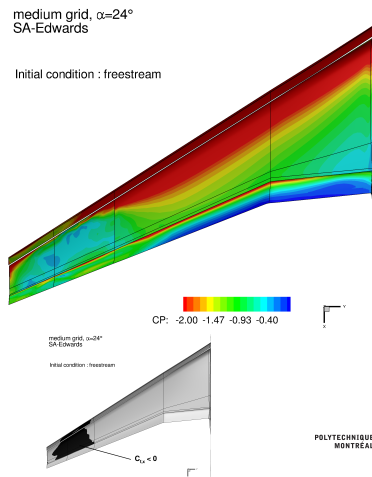
medium grid,  $\alpha=24^\circ$   
SA-Edwards

Initial condition :  $\alpha=16^\circ$



medium grid,  $\alpha=24^\circ$   
SA-Edwards

Initial condition : freestream



## Time-resolution effect

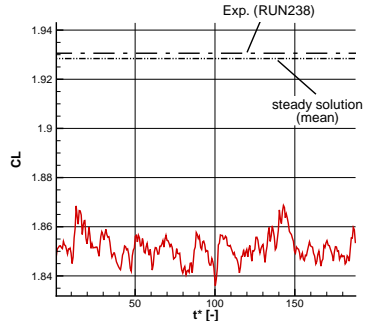
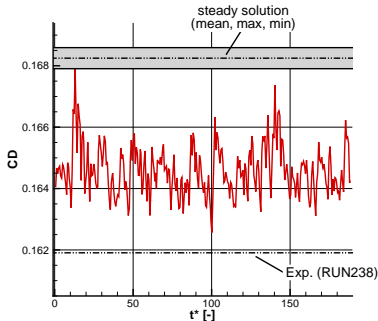
### Purposes :

- Determination of the accuracy add of time-resolution
- Unsteady flow description
- Localization of the unsteadiness

### Parameters :

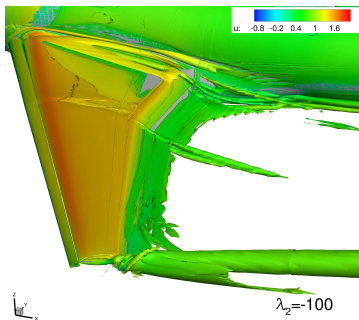
- Unsteady solver, SA-Edouards, medium grid
- Angle-of-attack :  $\alpha = 7, 16$  and  $22.4^\circ$
- IC : from steady solution at the same angle-of-attack

## At $\alpha = 7^\circ$ , force histories :

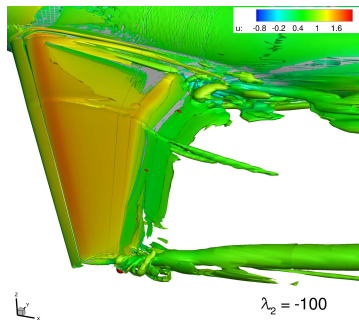


- ⇒ larger oscillations than steady simulation
- ⇒ decrease of drag and of lift compared to the steady solution

## At $\alpha = 7^\circ$ , flow visualization : steady vs. unsteady



Steady solver



Unsteady solver

⇒ Analogous global flow

⇒ Small differences at the root vortex and at the wing wake close to the tip

## At $\alpha = 7^\circ$ , flow visualization : time animation

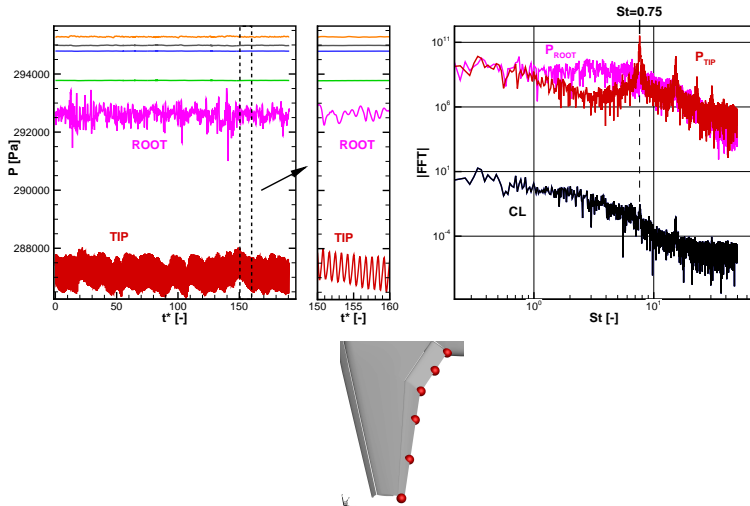
Isovalue of criteria  $\lambda_2=-2000$ , colored by  $U$ -velocity

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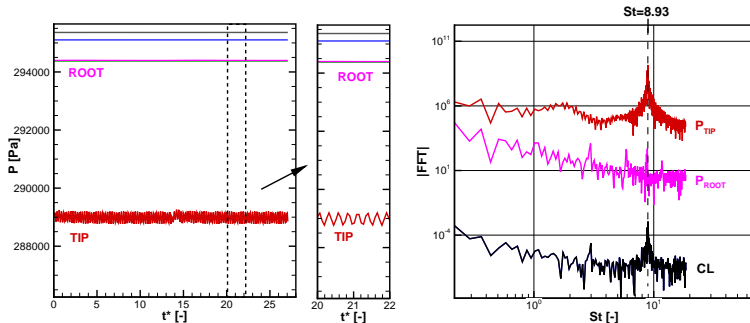




At  $\alpha = 7^\circ$ , unsteadiness of the flow :



## At $\alpha = 16^\circ$ , unsteadiness of the flow :

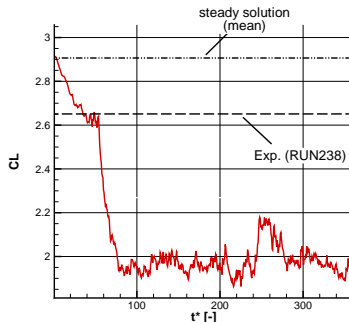
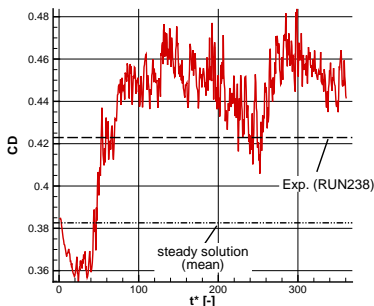


monitor at	$\Delta P$ (% on $P_{\text{mean}}$ )	
	$\alpha = 7^\circ$	$\alpha = 16^\circ$
tip	0.62%	0.17%
root	0.86%	0.002%

## At $\alpha = 16^\circ$ , flow visualization : time animation

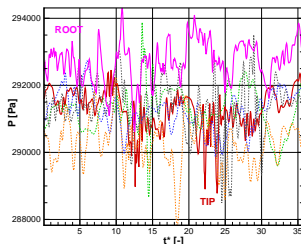
$\Rightarrow$  Less unsteadiness than at  $\alpha = 7^\circ$ , but higher frequency

## At $\alpha = 22.4^\circ$ , force histories :



- ⇒ Drop of the lift (large flow separation)
- ⇒ Break in the lift history close the experimental value, before the drop

## At $\alpha = 22.4^\circ$ : separated flow visualization



Monitor point histories

Flow visualization

⇒ Large flow separation

## Conclusion

- Low influence of the different SA models before stall
- High influence of the CI at post-stall
- Pre-stall CI not more stable than freestream CI against early detached flow prediction
- No grid convergence
- Loss of lift close to the maximum lift (turbulence model lack)
- Unsteady flow for all angles-of-attack
- Unsteadiness more pronounced for  $\alpha = 7^\circ$  than  $16^\circ$
- Complex flows with different time/space scales
- Importance of the root vortex

## Outlook :

- Comparison for unsteady simulation with time-average values
- Simulation with lower timestep for high angle-of-attack
- Simulation of the configuration with brackets, case 3 (need structured mesh)
- Simulation of the case 1 with overset grid and flap motion

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