Architecture, Scope, and Goals of the Multidisciplinary DPW-8/AePW-4 Workshop



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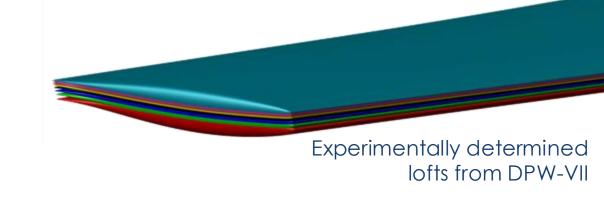
Background



- Next generation of computational goals is highly multidisciplinary
 - CFD 2030 highlights edge-of-the-envelope technology needs
 - Knowledge exists in various fields, but lessons learned remain isolated
 - Identifies the need for collaboration via symbiotic partnerships

Workshop Collaboration Working Group

- Chartered by Applied Aero TC (2022)
- Assembled four individuals for a key interdisciplinary organizing committee
- Panels, presentations, and meetings provided a forum to continue conversations
- Hallway conversations led to DPW/AePW collaboration
- SciTech 2024 kickoff meeting



Community Symbiotic Relationship



Strengths in communities

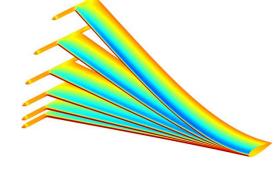
- DPW: high-fidelity, transonic CFD including steady and unsteady schemes
- AePW: multifidelity steady and unsteady aeroelastic computations, including structural and aerodynamic nonlinearities

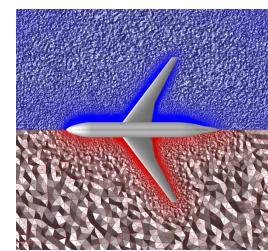
Opportunities for growth

- DPW: increased fidelity aeroelastic methods
- AePW: increased geometric complexity and aerodynamic models

Workshop scope

- Mature each community's state-of-the art
- Enable multidisciplinary technical advances to improve the cutting edge and foster cross-pollination
- Develop multidisciplinary workshop model
- Selected a working-group model





Workshop Leadership Global Presence





Source: OpenStreetMap Open source, subject to Open Database License

Organizing Committees



Interdisciplinary

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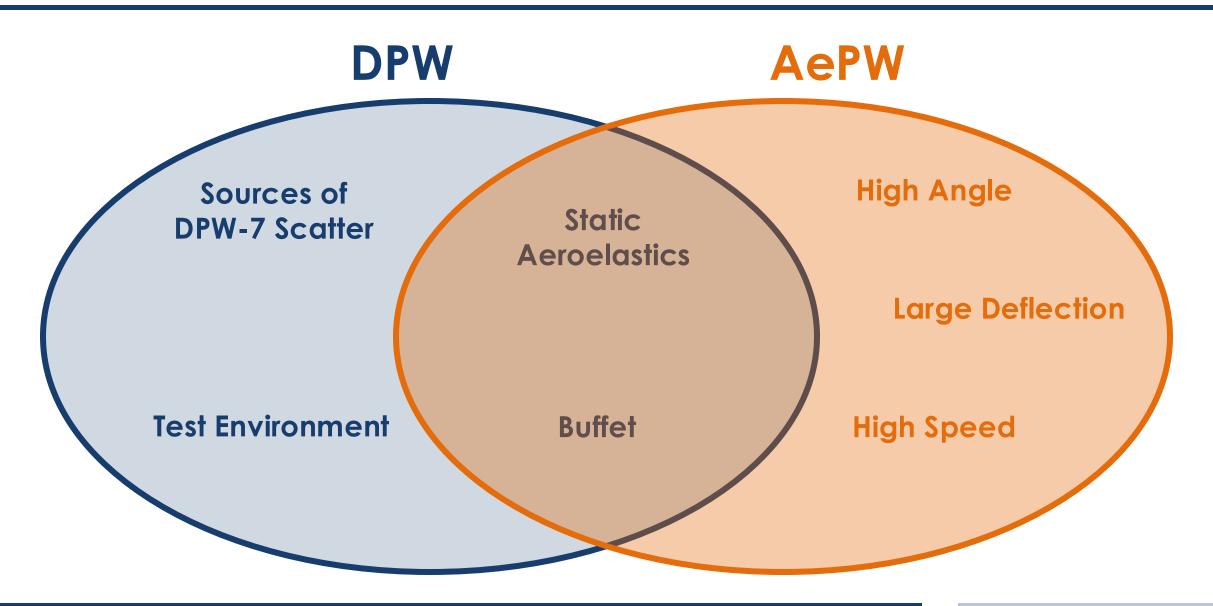
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Working Groups Layout





Scheduling



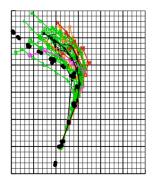
- Deconflicted seven working groups recurring meeting time
 - Settled on a least-bad meeting time for all time zones
 - Bi-weekly or monthly cadence
 - Some groups alternated time every-other meeting
- Working group leadership entrusted with scoping group's efforts
- Buffet Working Group further segmented
 - Subgroups selected by scheme
 - Three groups meet during the month, one asynchronous (email) group

Community-Centric Working Group Goals



Sources of DPW-7 Scatter

 Increase understanding and quantify expectations for comparisons between CFD and measured wind tunnel "truth"



High Angle

 Improve flutter predictions in the transonic region using a variety of CFD models

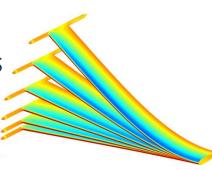


 Resolve differences between free-air CFD and the test environment



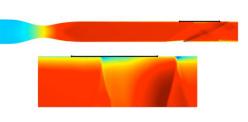
Large Deflection

 Mature predictions for low-speed deformations with nonlinear stiffness



High Speed

 Advance predictions of supersonic fluid structure interactions



Hybrid/Intersectional Working Group Goals

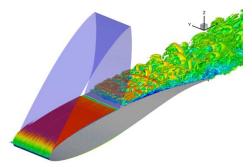


Static Deformation

 Determine accuracy and uncertainty of transonic, center-of-the-envelope wing calculations

Buffet

 Establish state of the art and identify opportunities for improvement of transonic, high-alpha unsteady CFD and unsteady coupled FSI



Working Group Scope Development



- Establish key questions to be answered
 - Three working groups continued from previous workshops
 - Two working groups were direct fallout from workshop lessons learned
 - Two hybrid working groups are new
- Engage students and low-computational-capacity contributors
 - Coarsest simulations scoped to run on a laptop
 - Short-term Tecplot licenses available to students

Workshop Structure



- Two day, pre-conference workshop at AVIATION '26
- First day
 - Community centric in two separate rooms
 - Technical lessons learned
 - Future plans
- Second day
 - Everyone together
 - Hybrid groups
 - Workshop lessons learned
 - Future plans
- Potential plans
 - Miniature expo
 - Student poster session

Organizing Committees Lessons Learned



Organizing committee formulation is key

- Interdisciplinary Organizing Committee
- DPW Organizing Committee
- AePW Organizing Committee
- Working Group Organizing Committees

Clear, consistent communication is key

- Interdisciplinary OC members also attending community-centric meetings
- Development of the key questions is encouraged to support a central theme
- Consistent touch-base communication and meetings

Enabling Cross Pollination



Quarterly workshop-wide tagups

- Workshop overview provides insight into all working groups
- Technical scope and updates from all working groups
- Provides opportunity for follow-on Q&A
- Encourages individuals to engage with opposite-community working groups

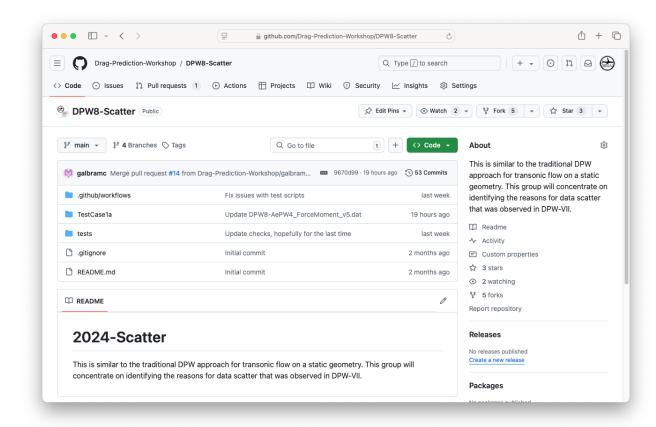
Hybrid working groups

- Empower working group leaders to develop key questions under workshop scope
- Collaborative effort between communities to formulate the group's goals
- Identify strengths and weakness of community simulation methods and establish opportunities for multidisciplinary advancements
- Strong presence from both DPW and AePW communities

GitHub Repository



- One stop shop for four working groups data submission
 - Improves version control
 - Ensures all committee members are analyzing the most recent data
 - Responsibility lies with participants to ensure data are up to date
- Public and outward-facing
- Automatic checks ensure files are in the appropriate format



Next Steps



- Multiple special sessions at AVIATION highlight group progress to date
 - Committee presentations
 - High-Speed AePW Working Group
 - Buffet DPW/AePW Working Group
 - High-Angle and Large Deflection AePW Working Groups
- Mini workshop scheduled for SciTech (as a panel session, open to all)
- Full workshop at AVIATION next year

Questions?





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