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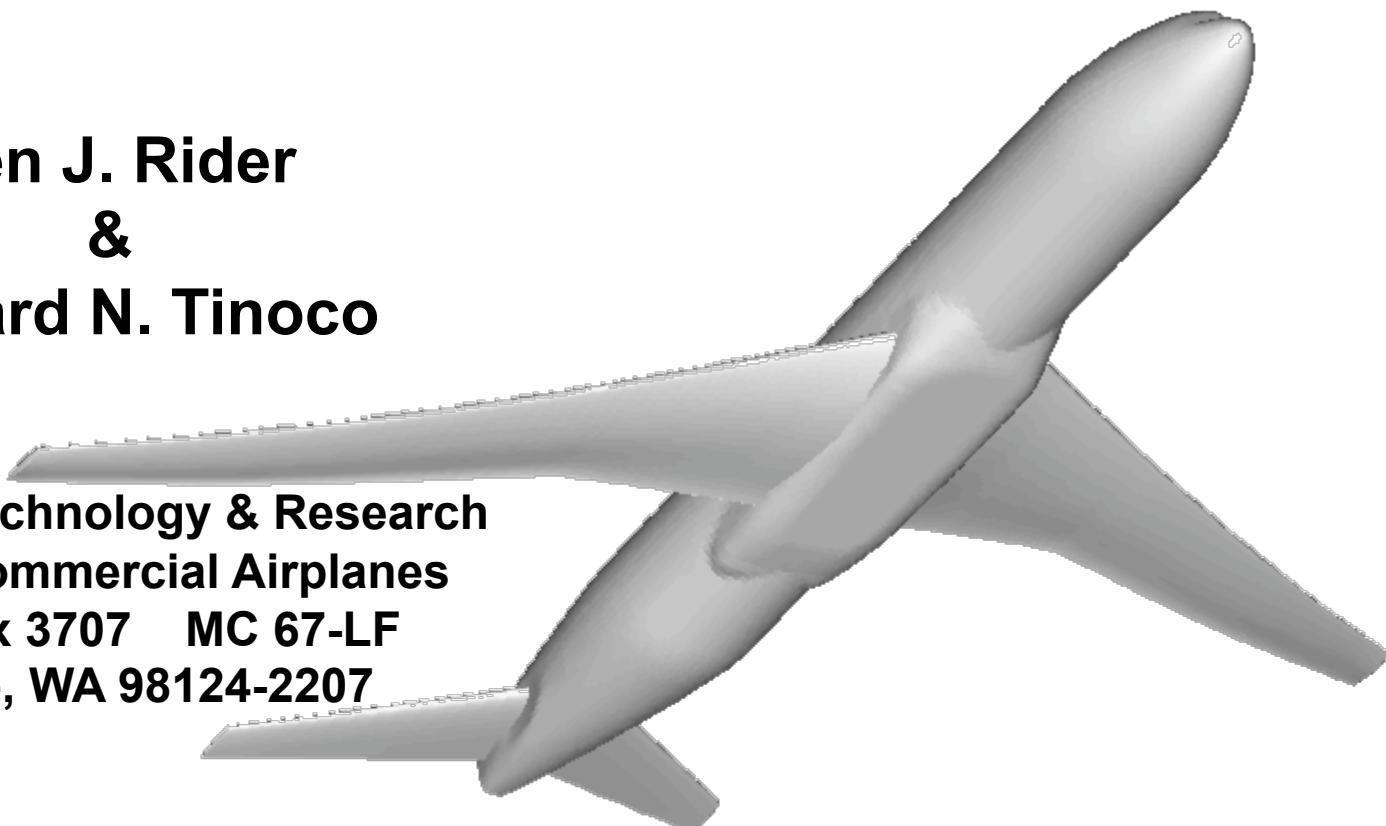
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CFL3D Analysis of the NASA Common Research Model for the 4th Drag Prediction Workshop

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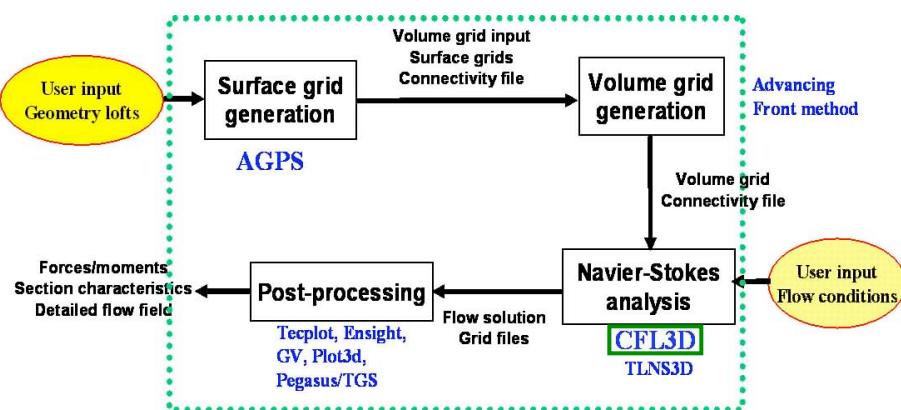
Objective

Investigate the use of a “Production Navier-Stokes Analysis System” for CFD Drag Prediction

-Major interest is in the prediction of drag and pitching moment increments

-Use “standard” processes as much as possible

Zeus/CFL3D



- CFL3D Developed at NASA Langley
- Finite volume, Upwind biased (Roe) and central difference for viscous terms
- Multigrid and mesh sequencing for acceleration
- Multiblock with 1-1 blocking, patched grid, and overlap-grid
- Numerous turbulence models
 - Spalart-Allmaras SA Model
 - Menter’s $k-\omega$ SST Model
- Time accurate with dual-time stepping

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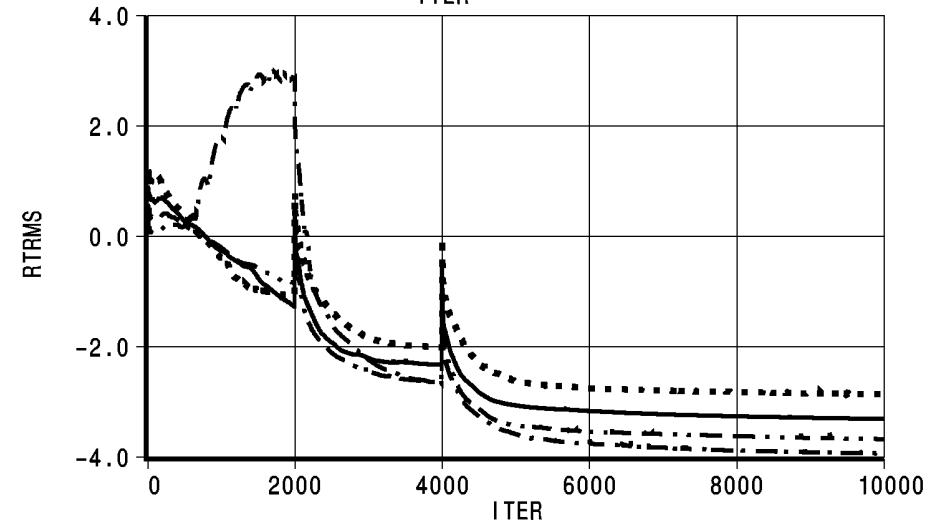
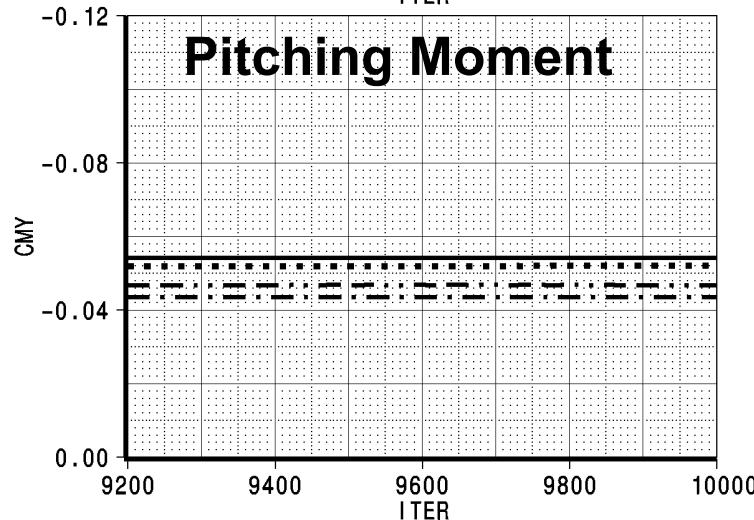
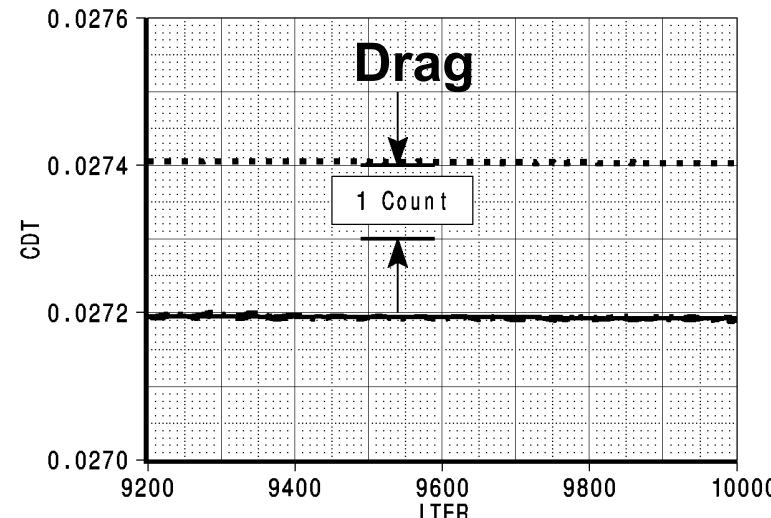
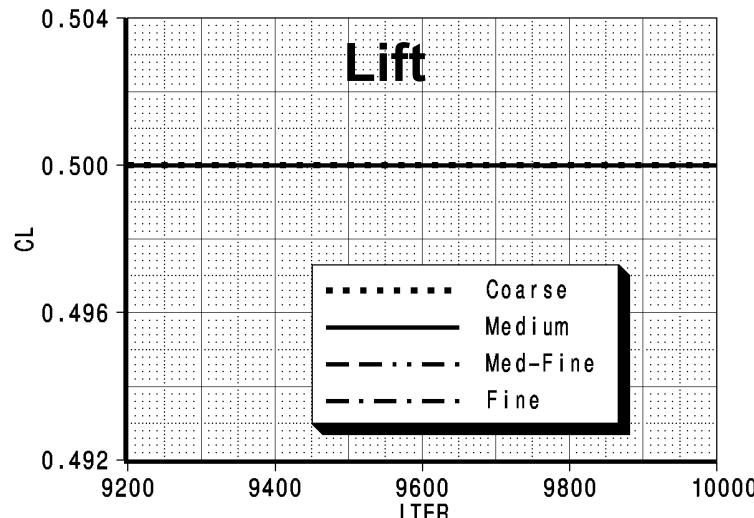
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- **Case 1a: Grid Convergence Study**
 - Mach = 0.85, CL = 0.500 (± 0.001)
 - Tail Incidence angle, iH= 0°
 - Coarse, Medium, Fine, Extra-Fine Grids (Extra-Fine optional)
 - Chord Reynolds Number: Re=5M

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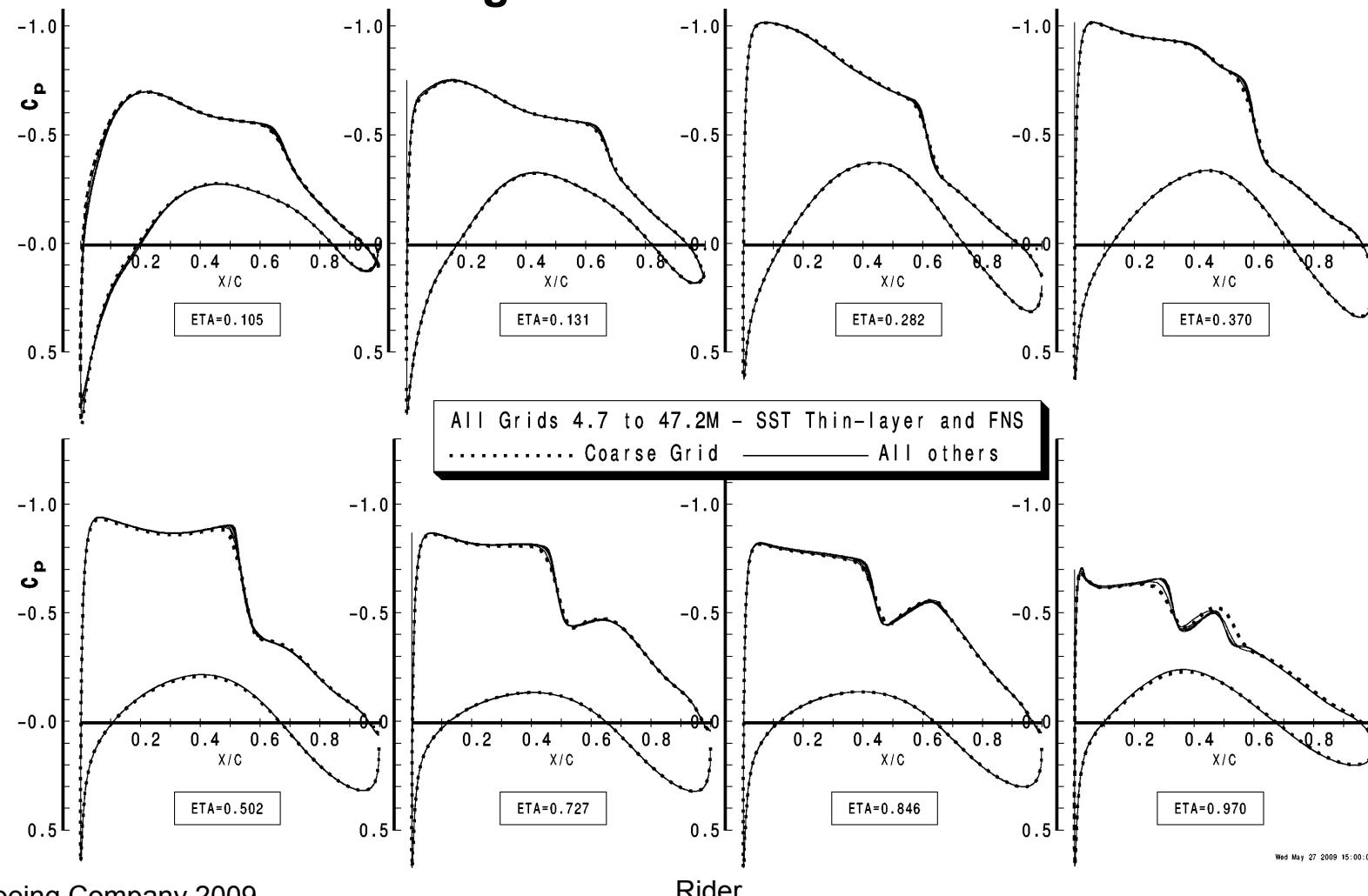
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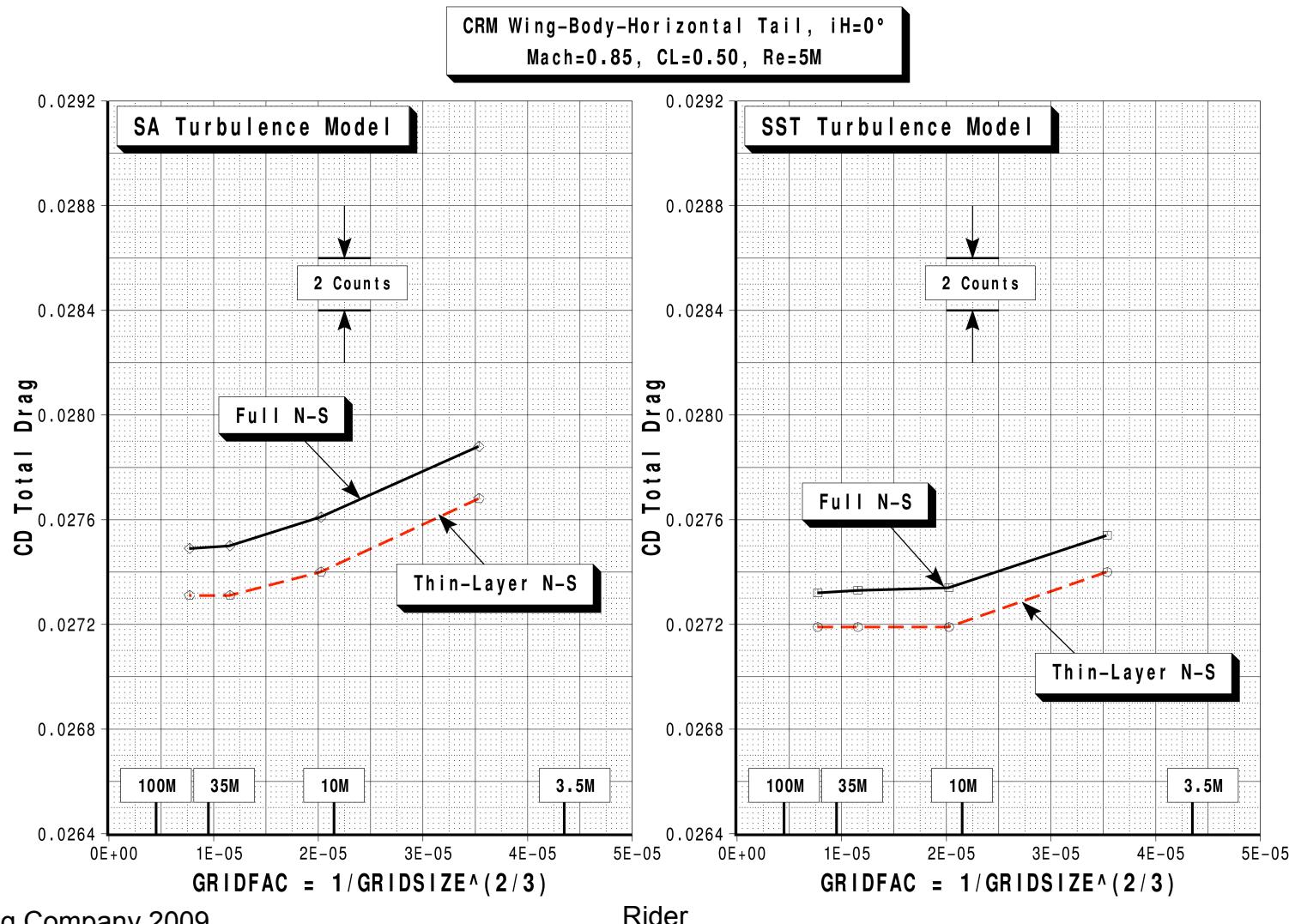
Case 1a: Grid Convergence Study – SST Wing Pressure Distributions



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Case 1a: Total Drag Convergence

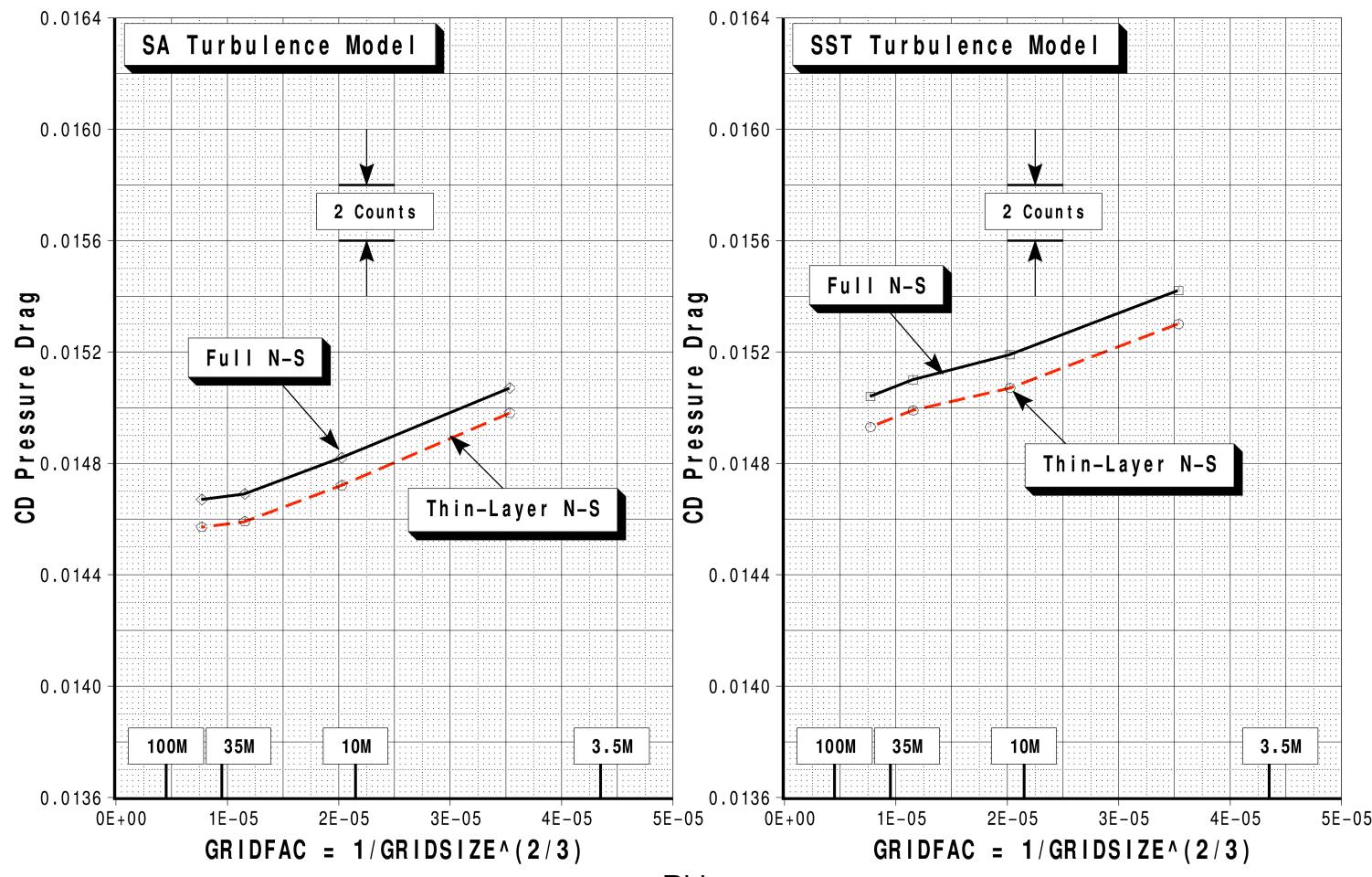


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Case 1a: Pressure Drag Convergence

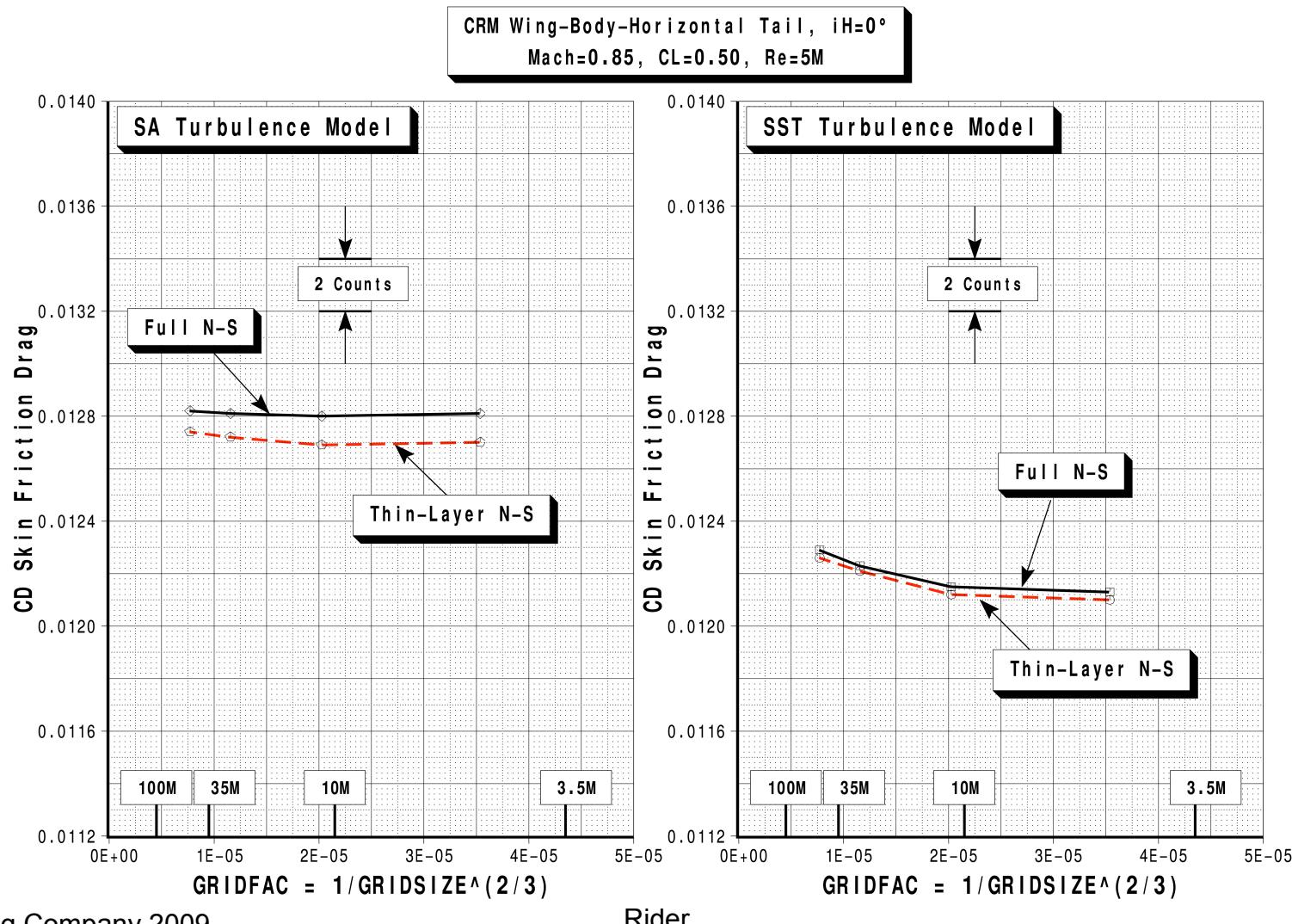
CRM Wing-Body-Horizontal Tail, $iH=0^\circ$
Mach=0.85, CL=0.50, Re=5M



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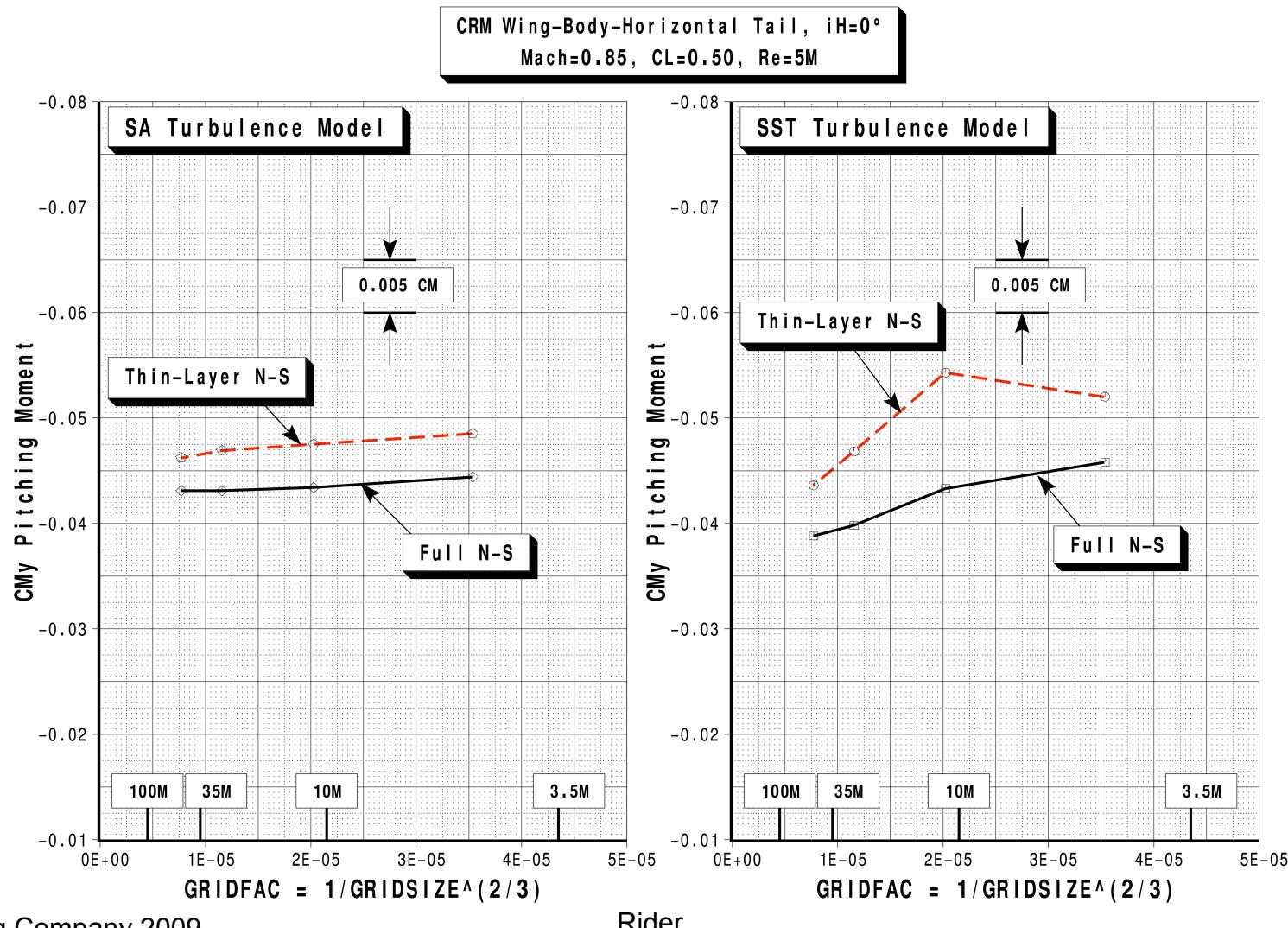
Case 1a: Skin Friction Drag Convergence



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Case 1a: Pitching Moment Convergence

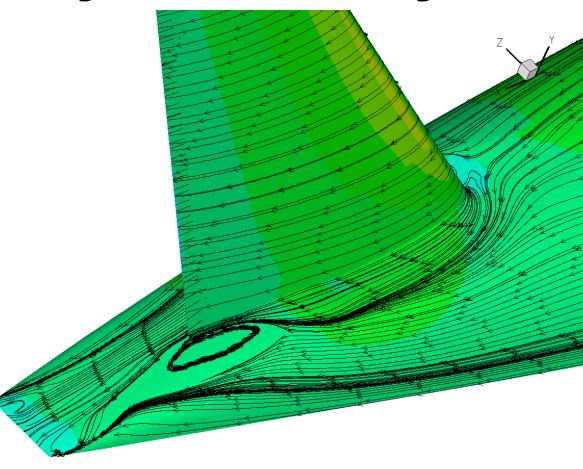
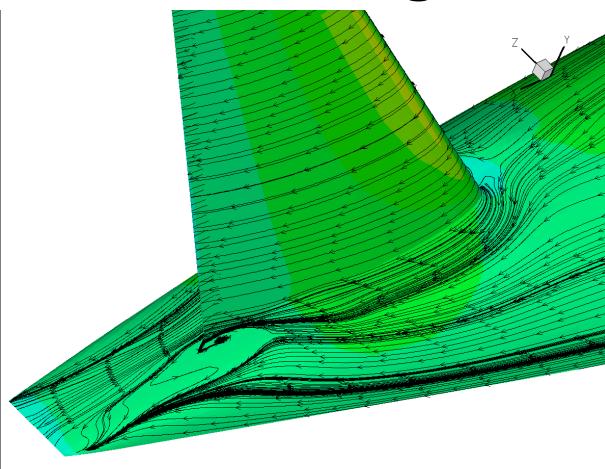


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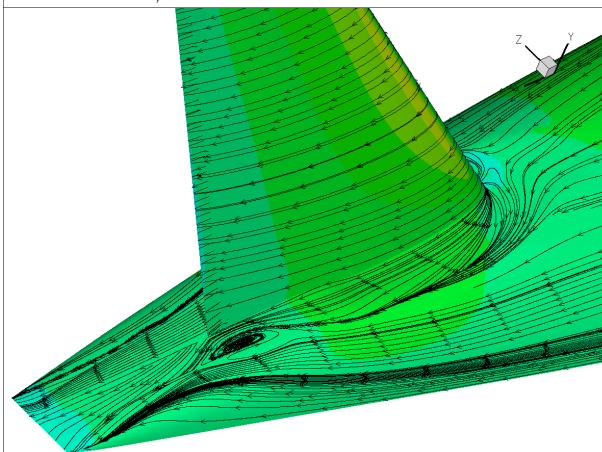
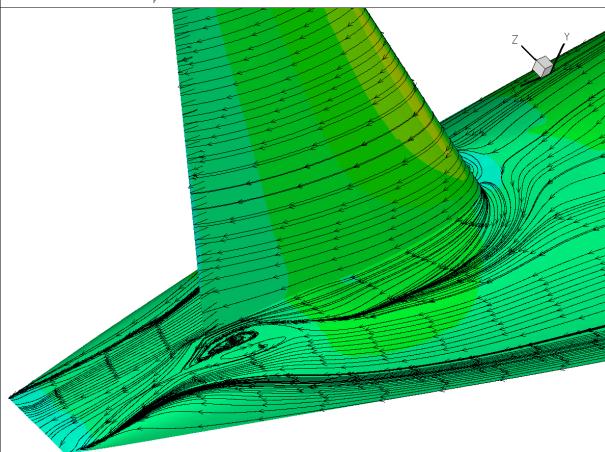
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Coarse
Grid



Medium
Grid

Medium-Fine
Grid



Fine
Grid

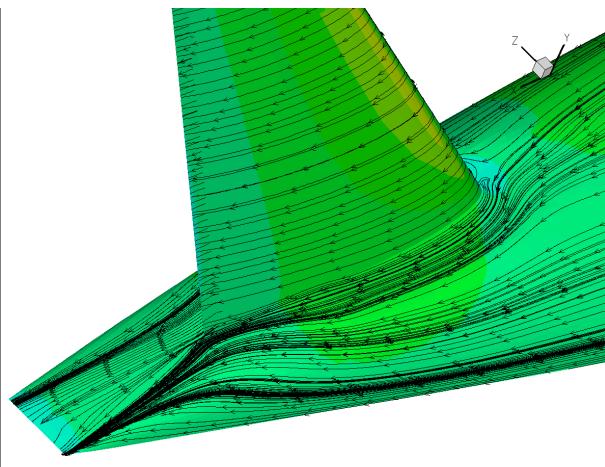
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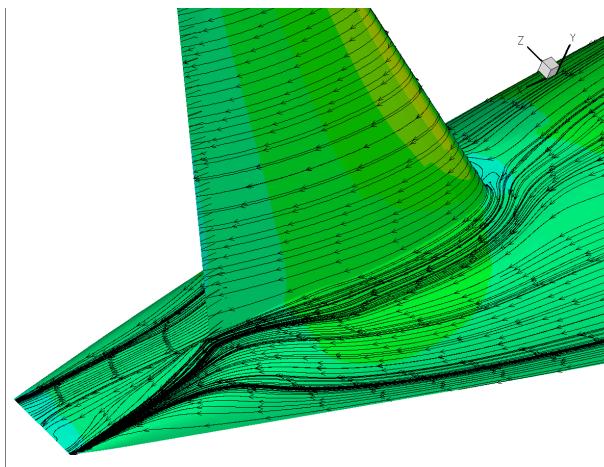
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Grid



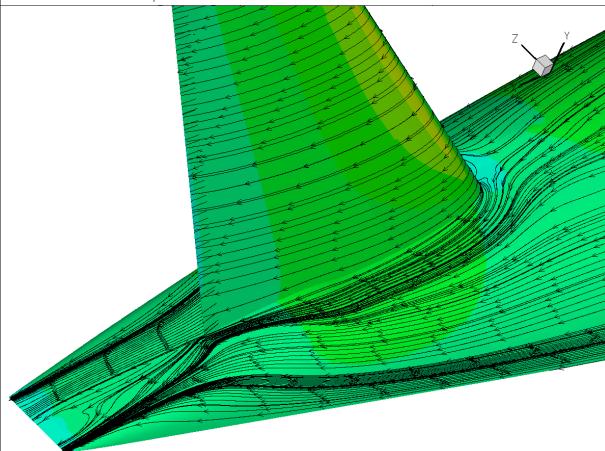
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Medium
Grid



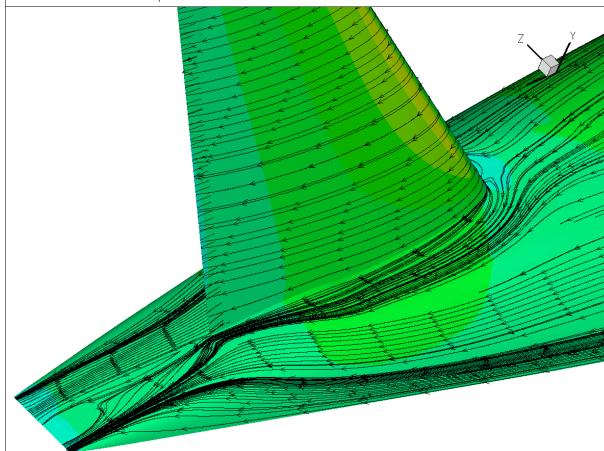
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Medium-Fine
Grid



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Fine
Grid



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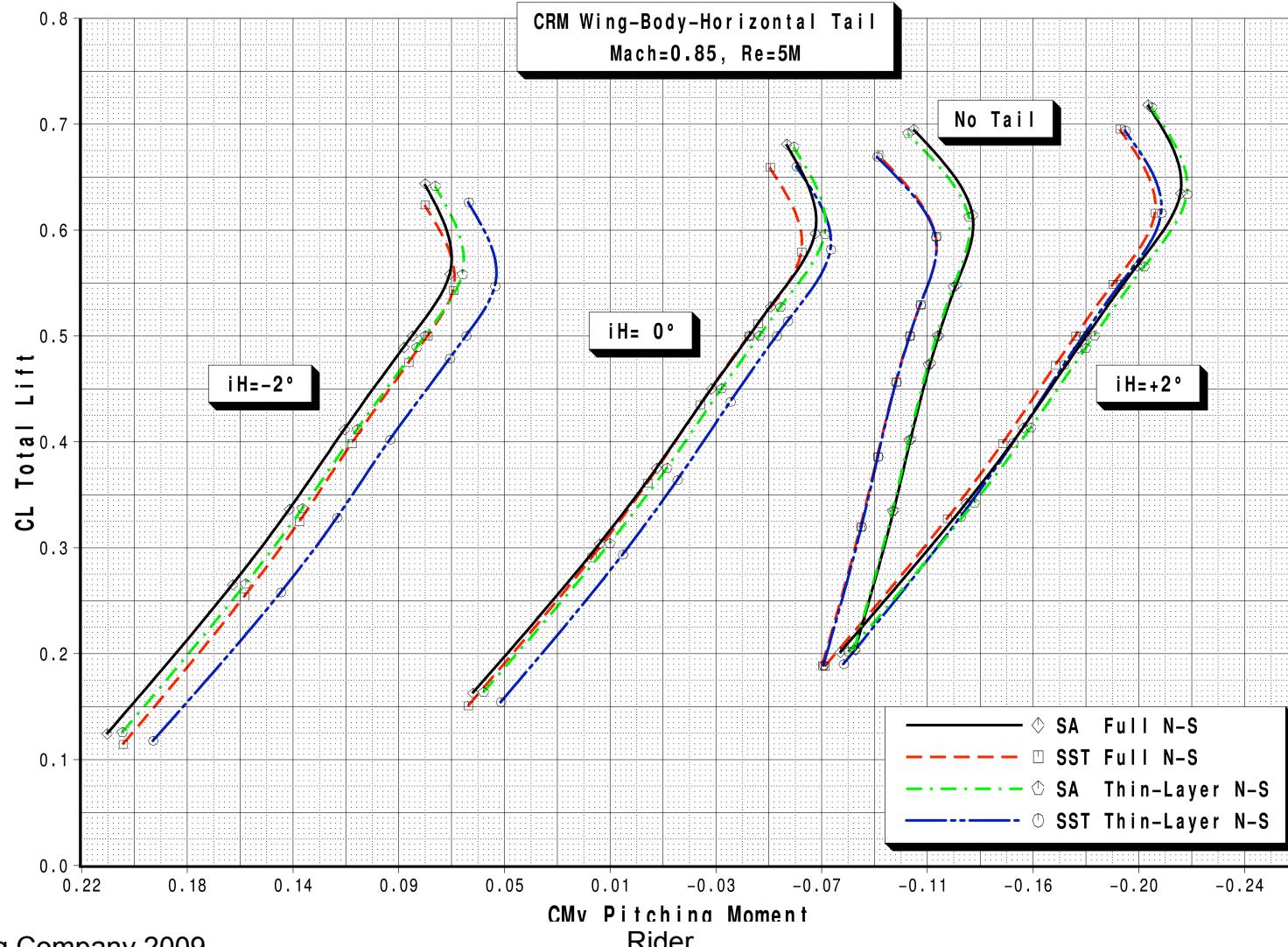
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- **Case 1b: Downwash (Trim) Study**
 - Mach = 0.85
 - Drag Polars for alpha = 0.0°, 1.0°, 1.5°, 2.0°, 2.5°, 3.0°, 4.0°
 - Tail Incidence angles, iH = -2°, 0°, +2°, and Tail off
 - Medium grid
 - Chord Reynolds Number: Re=5M
 - Trimmed Drag Polar (CG at reference center)
 - Derived from polars at iH = -2°, 0°, +2°
 - Delta Drag Polar of tail off vs. tail on
 - WB vs. WBH trimmed

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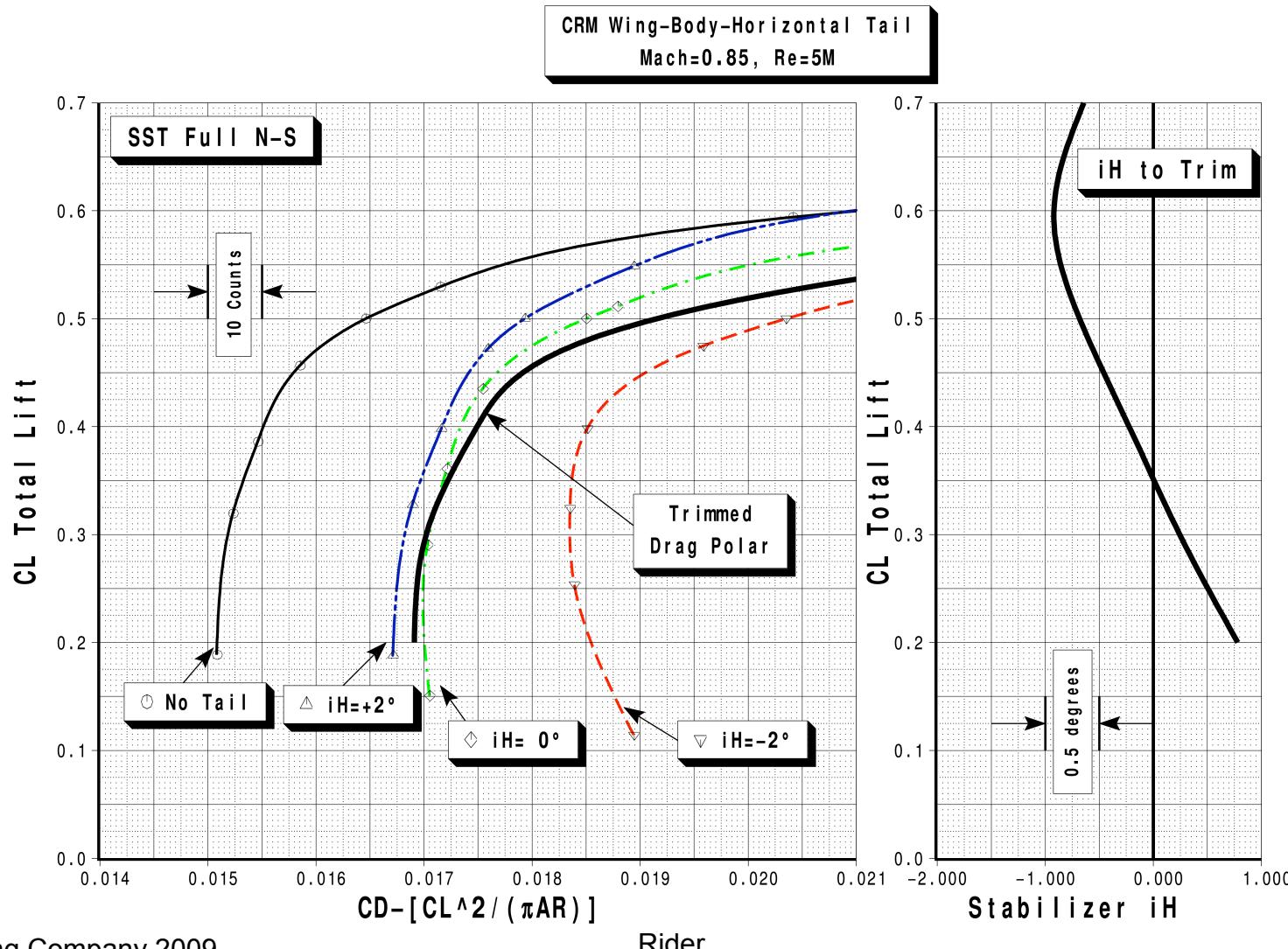
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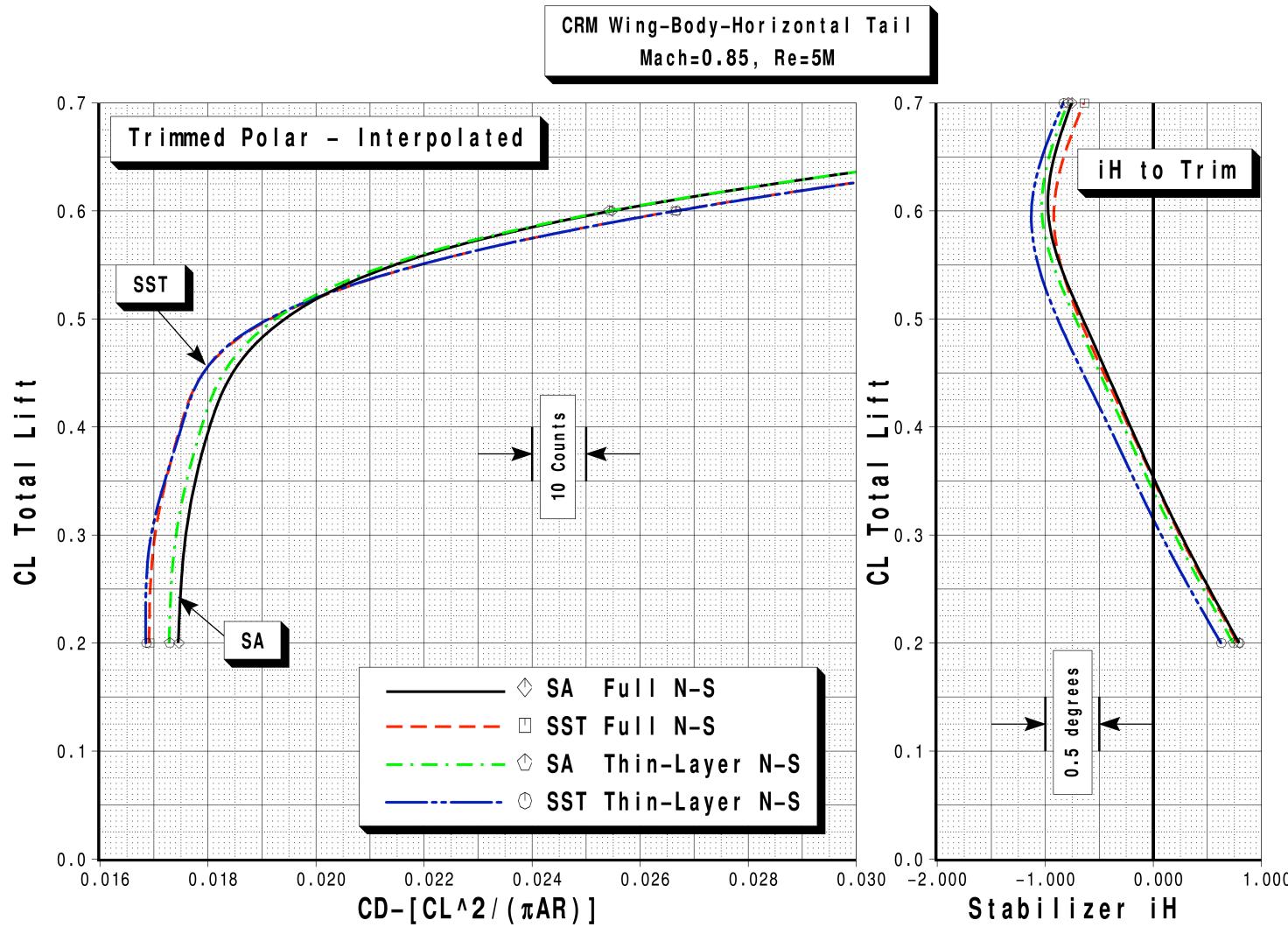
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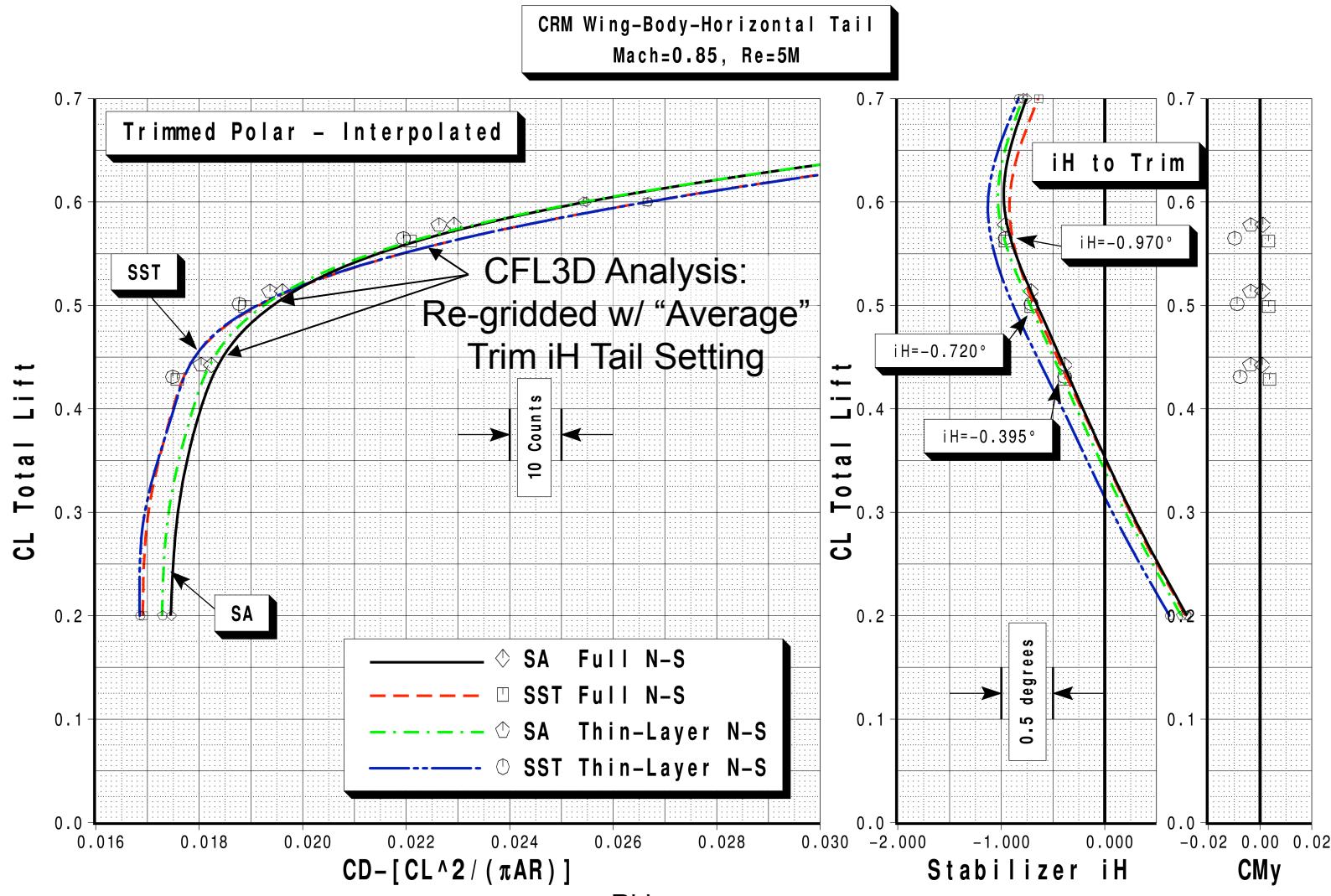
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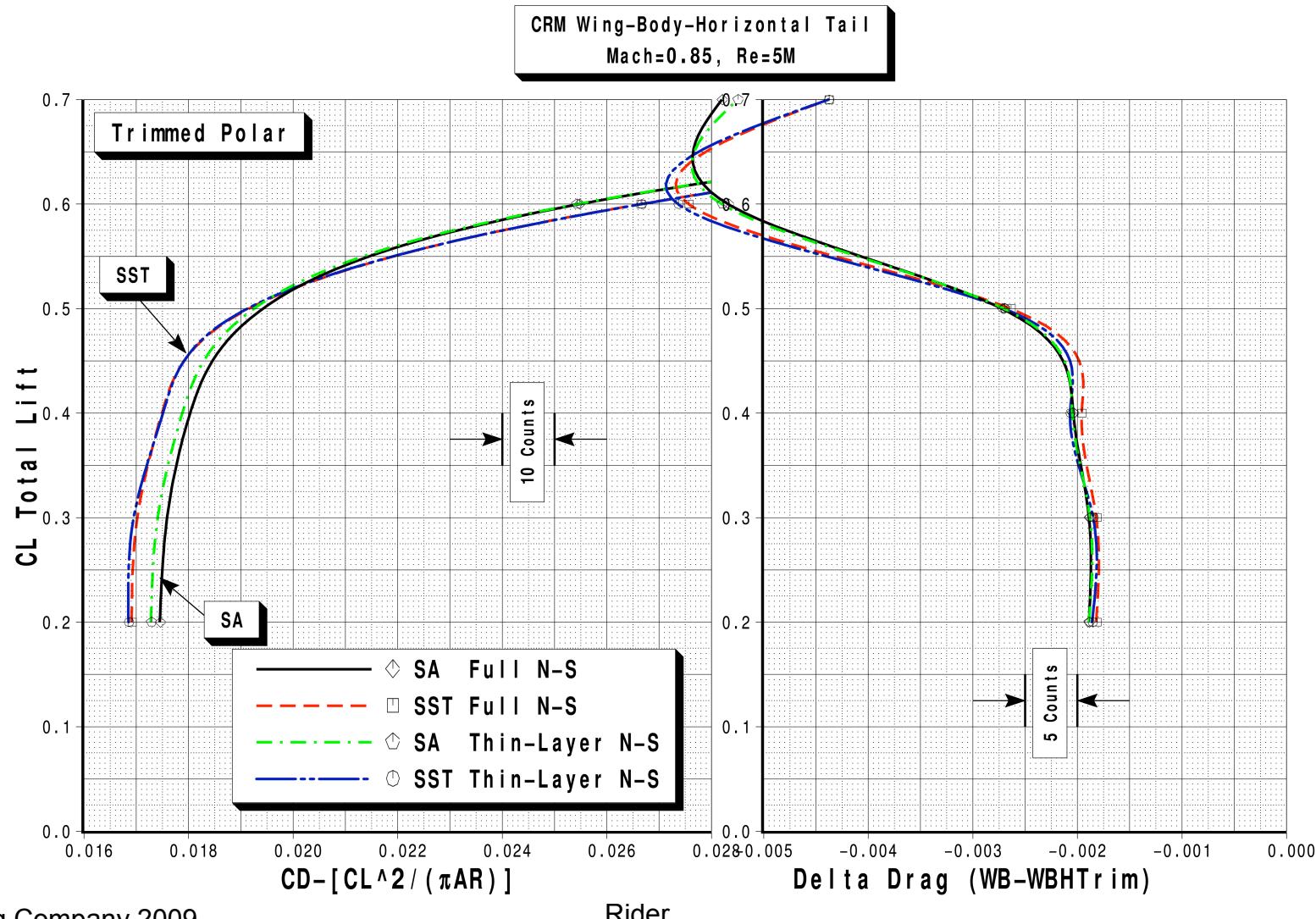
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Case 1b: Downwash (Trim) Study





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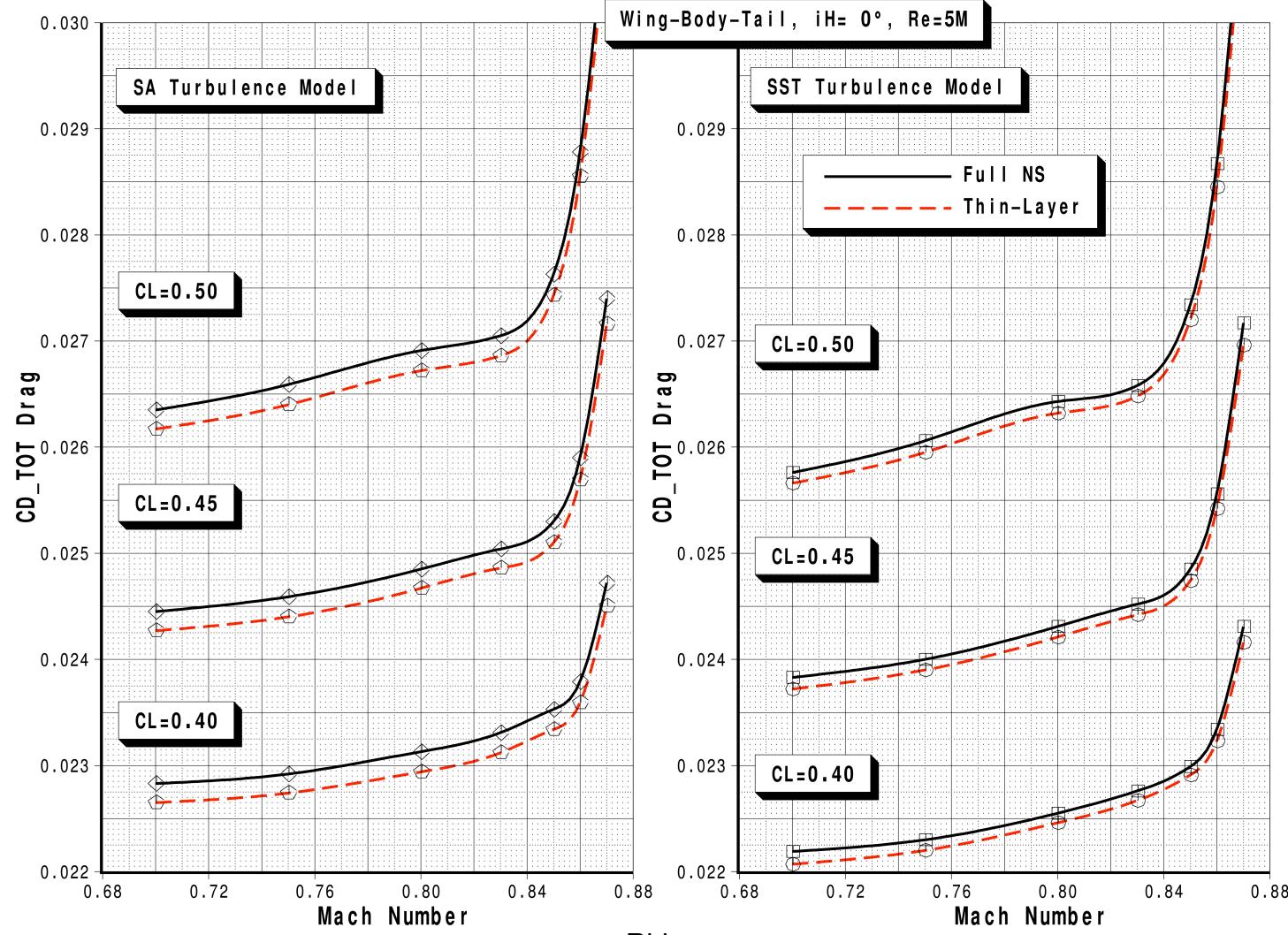
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- **Case 2 (Optional) : Mach Sweep Study**
 - Drag Polars at:- Mach = 0.70, 0.75, 0.80, 0.83, 0.85, 0.86, 0.87
 - Drag Rise curves at CL = 0.400, 0.450, 0.500
 - (± 0.001 or extracted from polars)
 - Untrimmed, Tail Incidence angle, iH = 0°
 - Medium grid
 - Chord Reynolds Number: Re=5M

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Case 2: Mach Sweep Study





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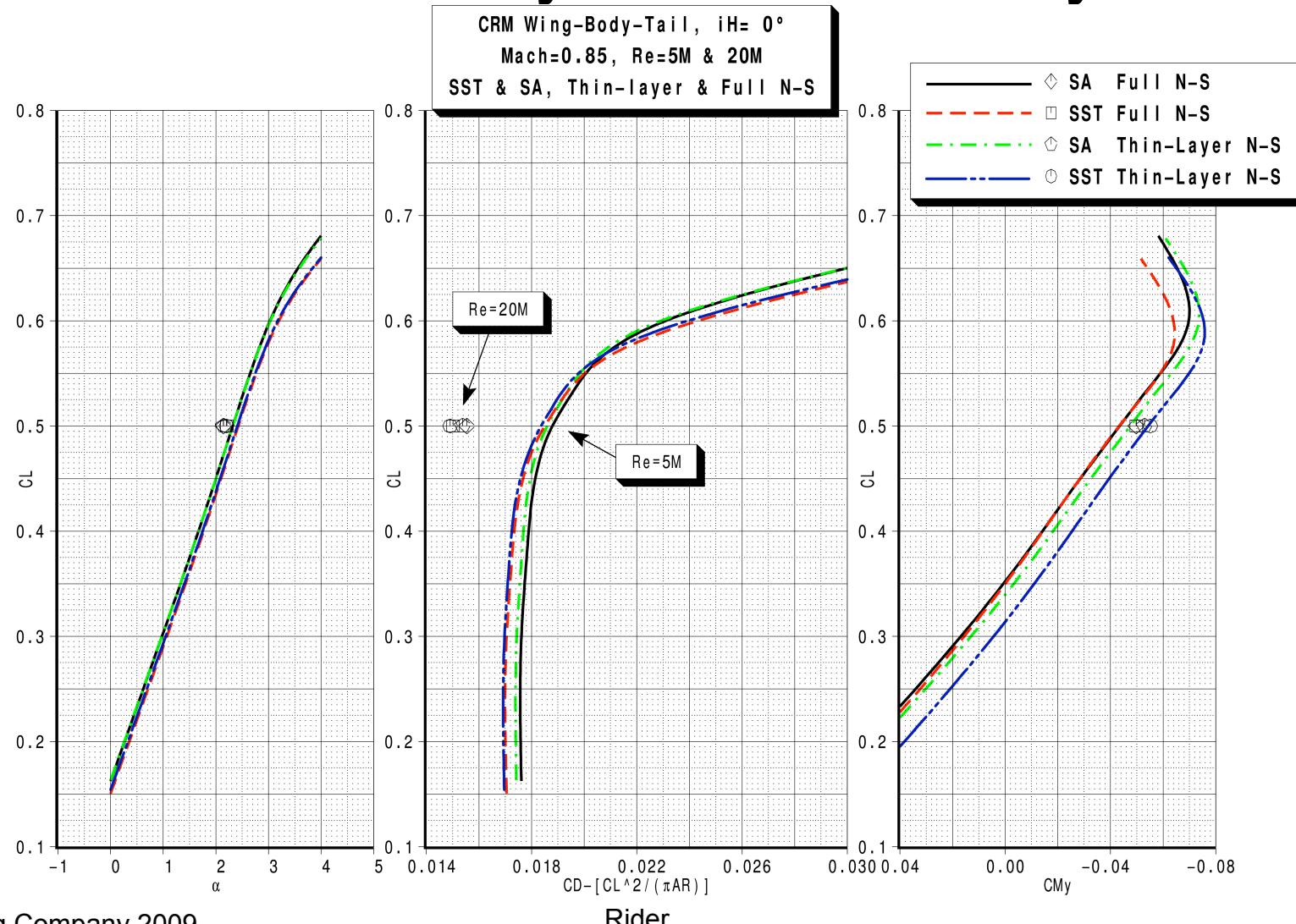
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- **Case 3 (Optional) : Reynolds Number Study**
 - Mach = 0.85, CL = 0.500 (± 0.001)
 - Tail Incidence angle, iH = 0°
 - Medium grid
 - Chord Reynolds Numbers: Re=5M and Re=20M

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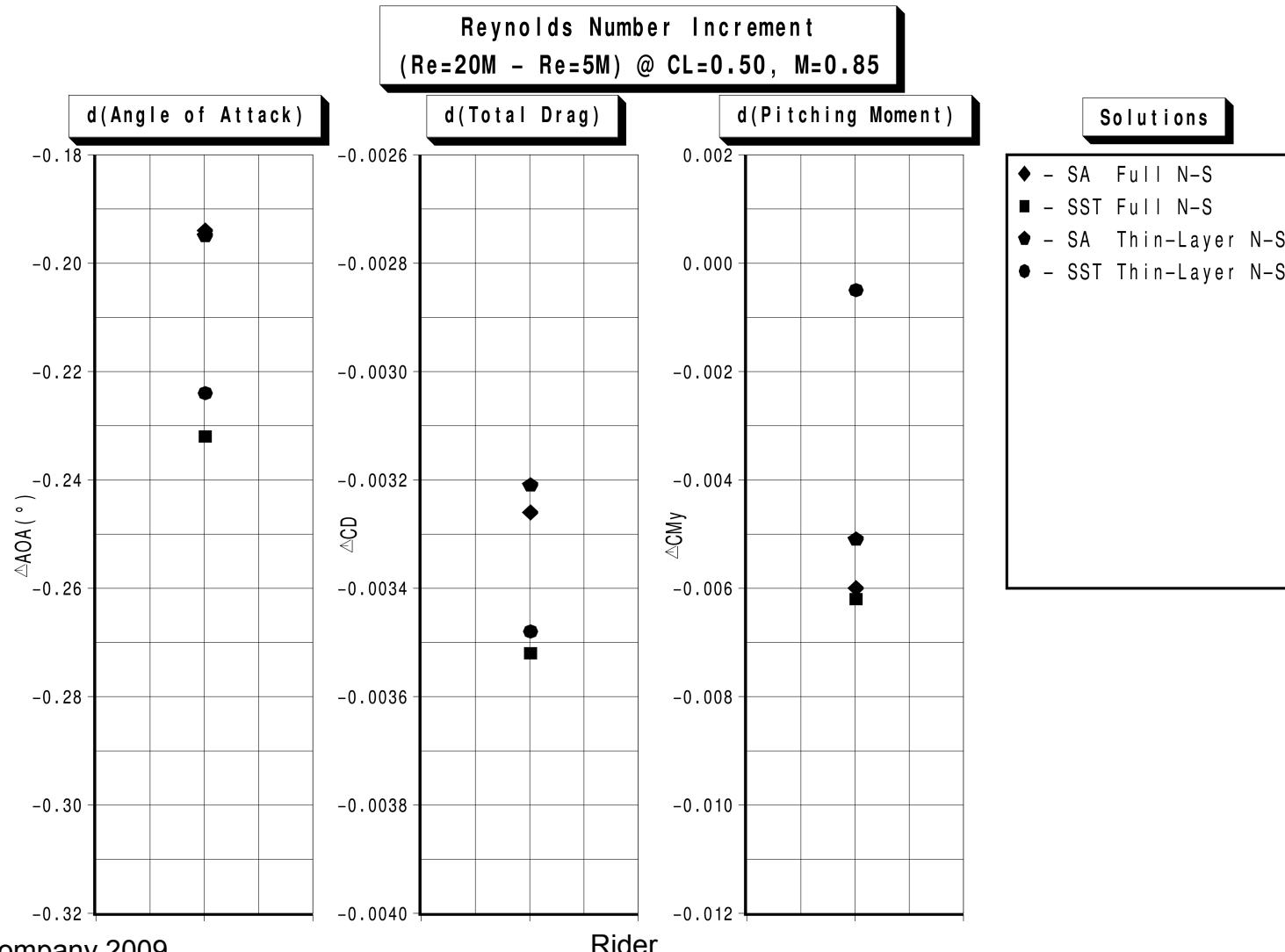
Case 3: Reynolds Number Study



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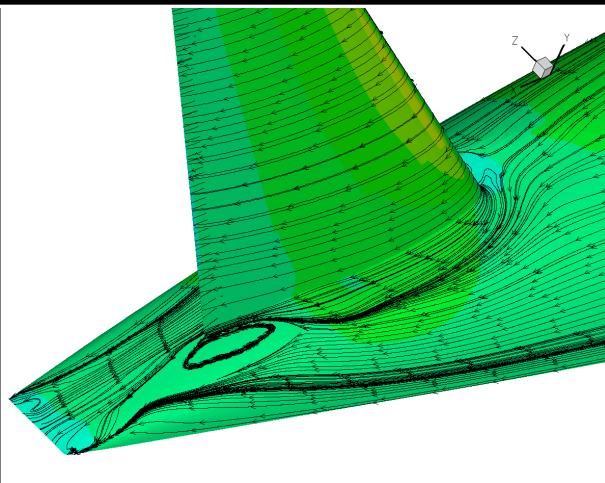


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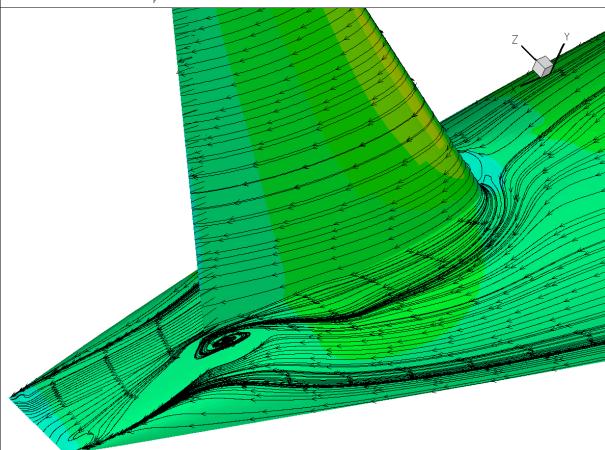
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SST Turbulence Model, Re=5M

Thin-Layer

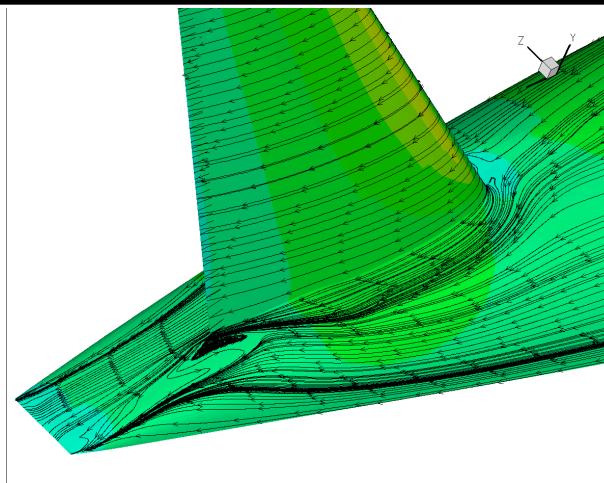


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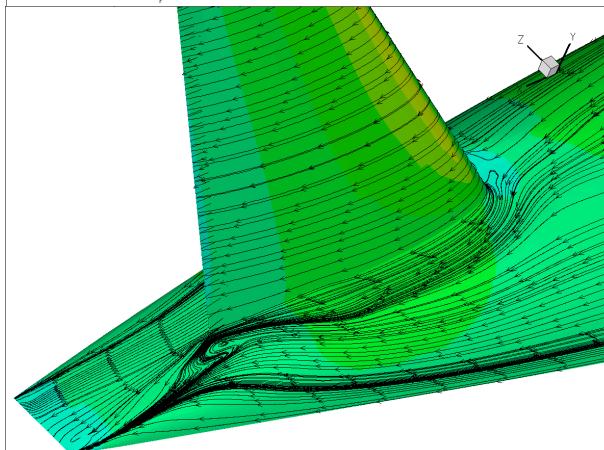


SST Turbulence Model, Re=20M

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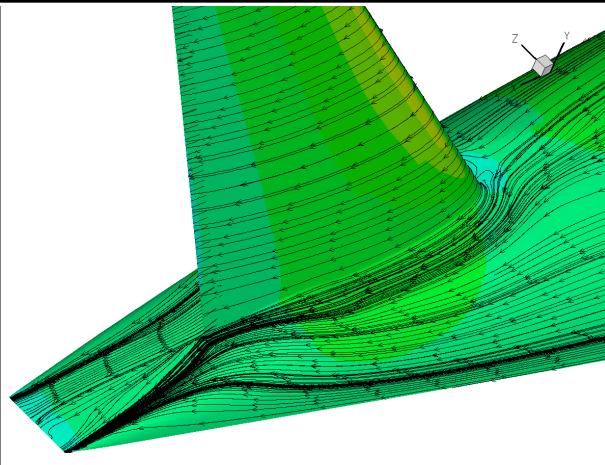
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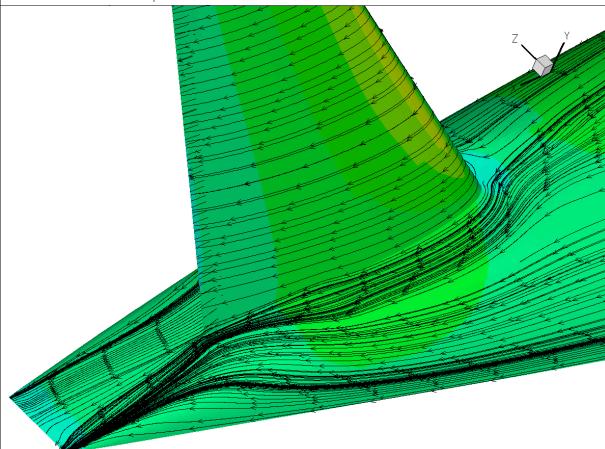
SA Turbulence Model, Re=5M

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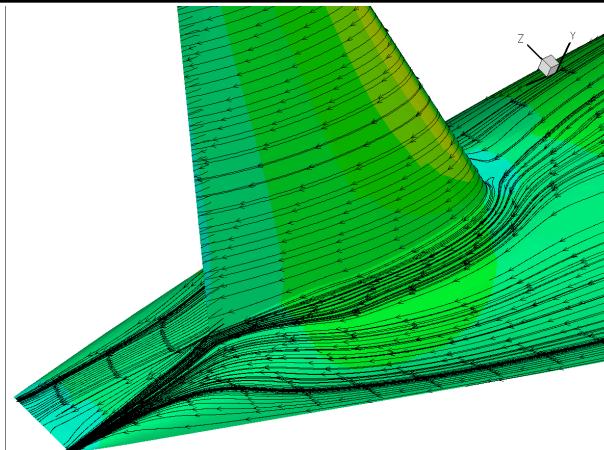
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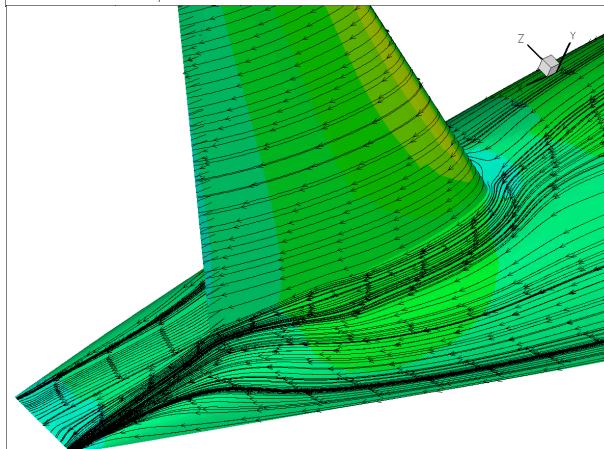
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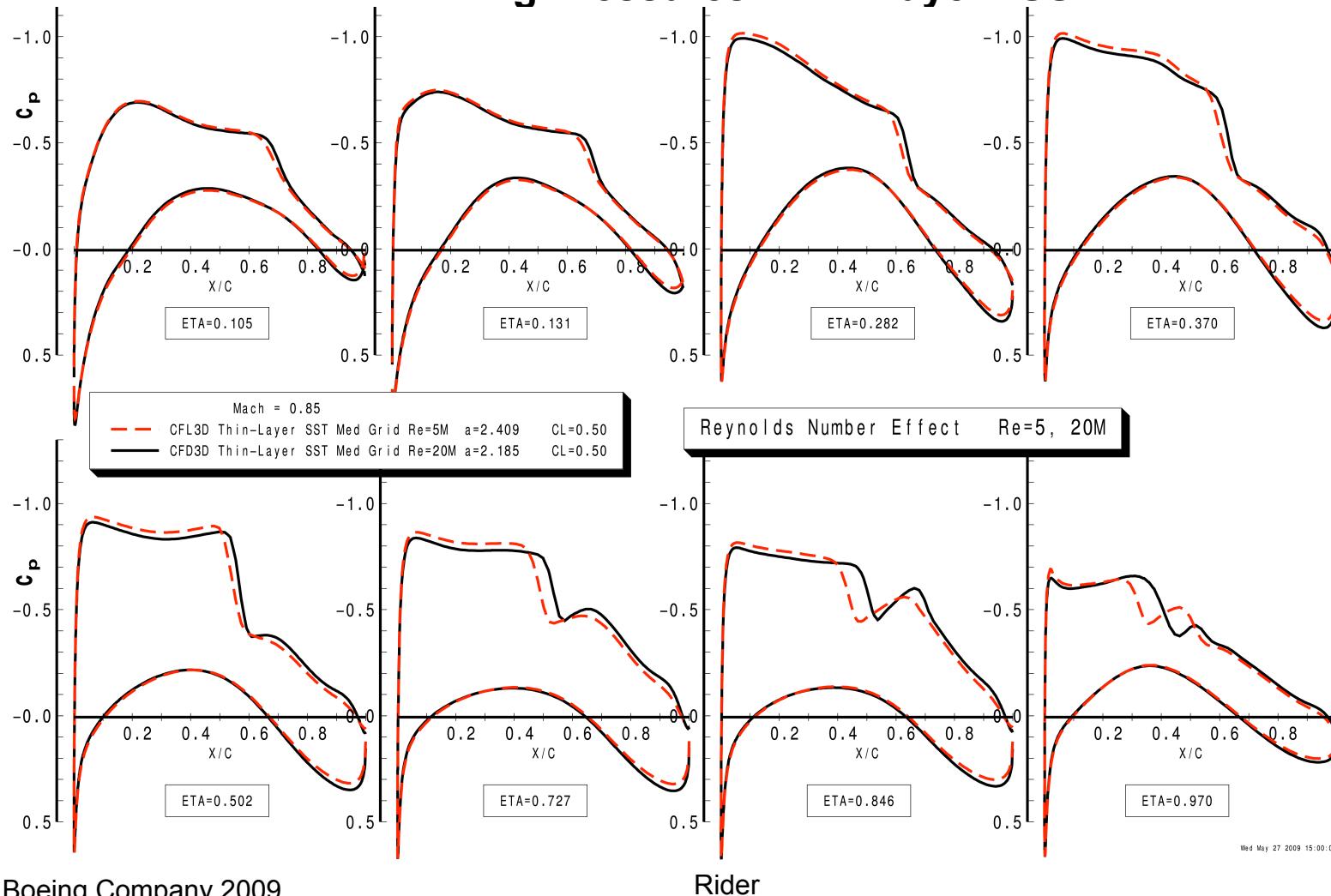
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Case 3: Reynolds Number Study

Wing Pressures: Thin-Layer / SST

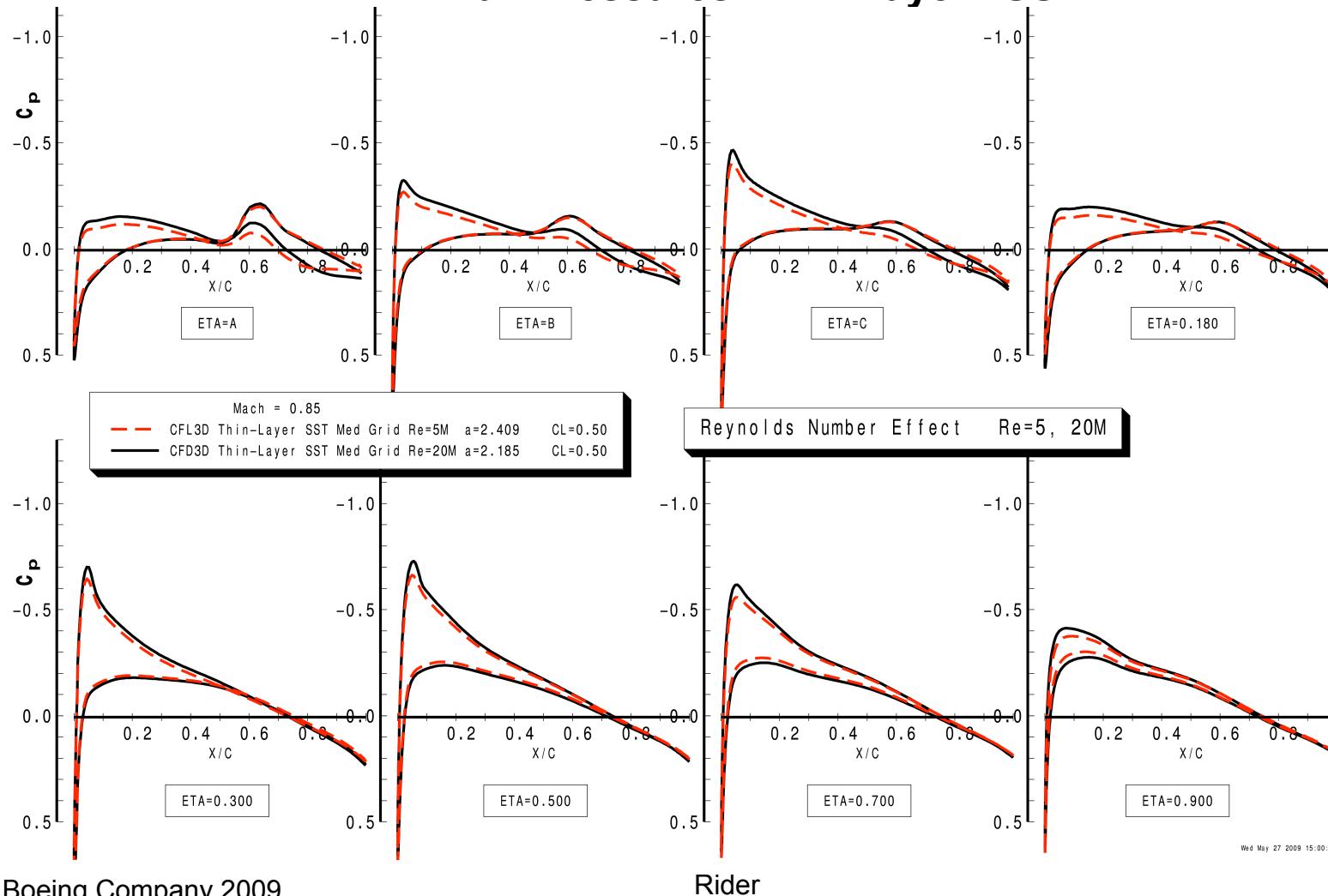


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Case 3: Reynolds Number Study

Tail Pressures: Thin-Layer / SST





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Concluding Remarks

- Zeus/CFL3D exhibited very good grid convergence characteristics for both SA and SST turbulence models.
 - Indicates a consistent family of grids
 - Acceptable solver convergence was achieved
- Pressure distributions essentially are invariant with grid
- Some variation of flow features due to turbulence model
 - Flow separation at tail side-of-body junction
- High degree of confidence in CFD results for similar configurations



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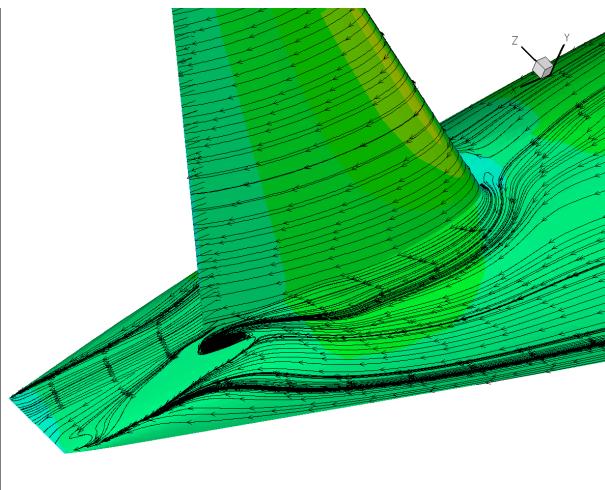
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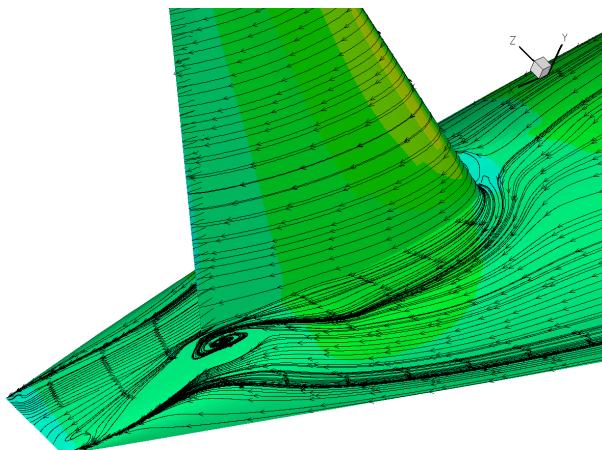
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Coarse
Grid



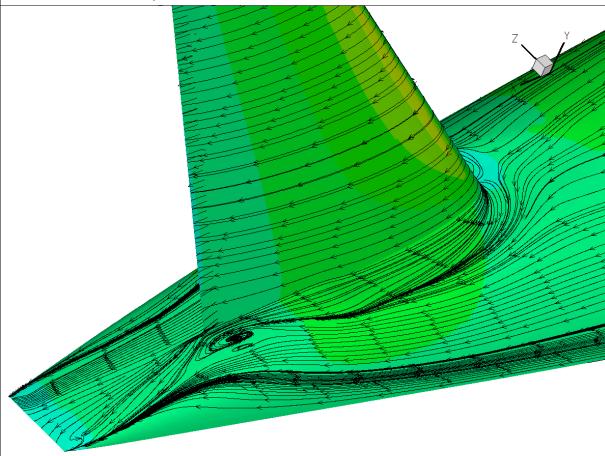
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Medium
Grid



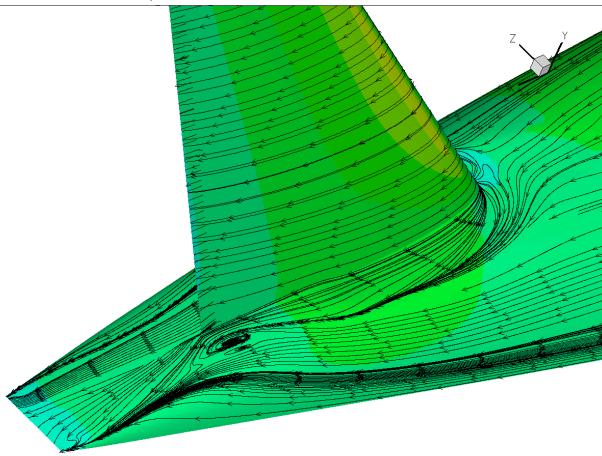
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Medium-Fine
Grid



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Fine
Grid



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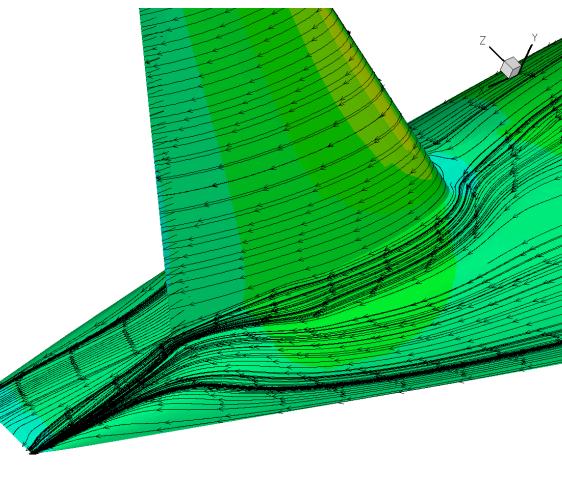
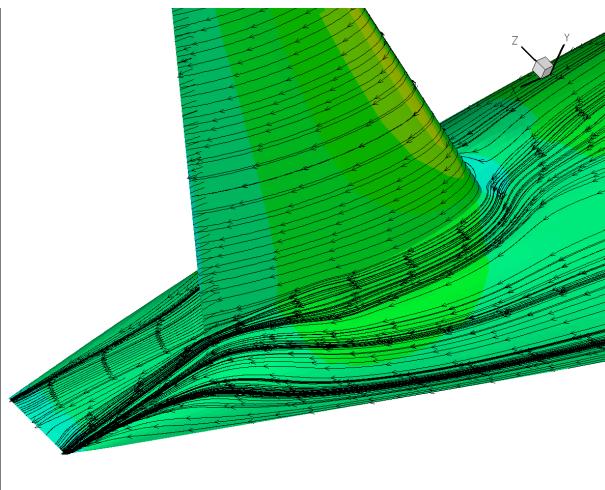
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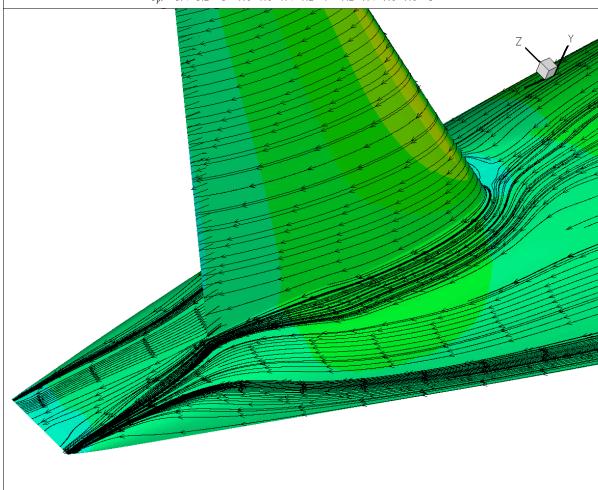
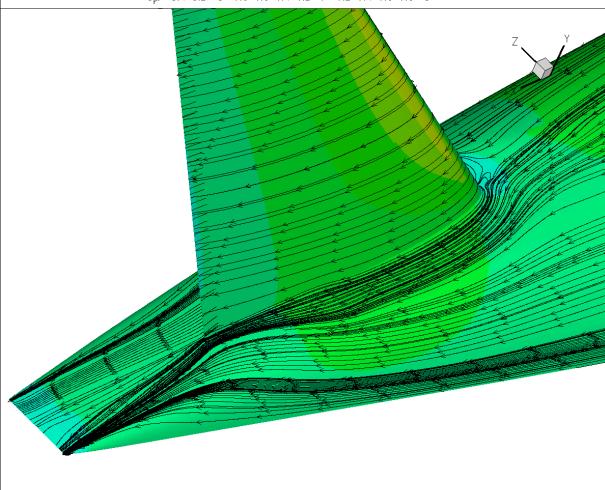
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Medium
Grid

Medium-Fine
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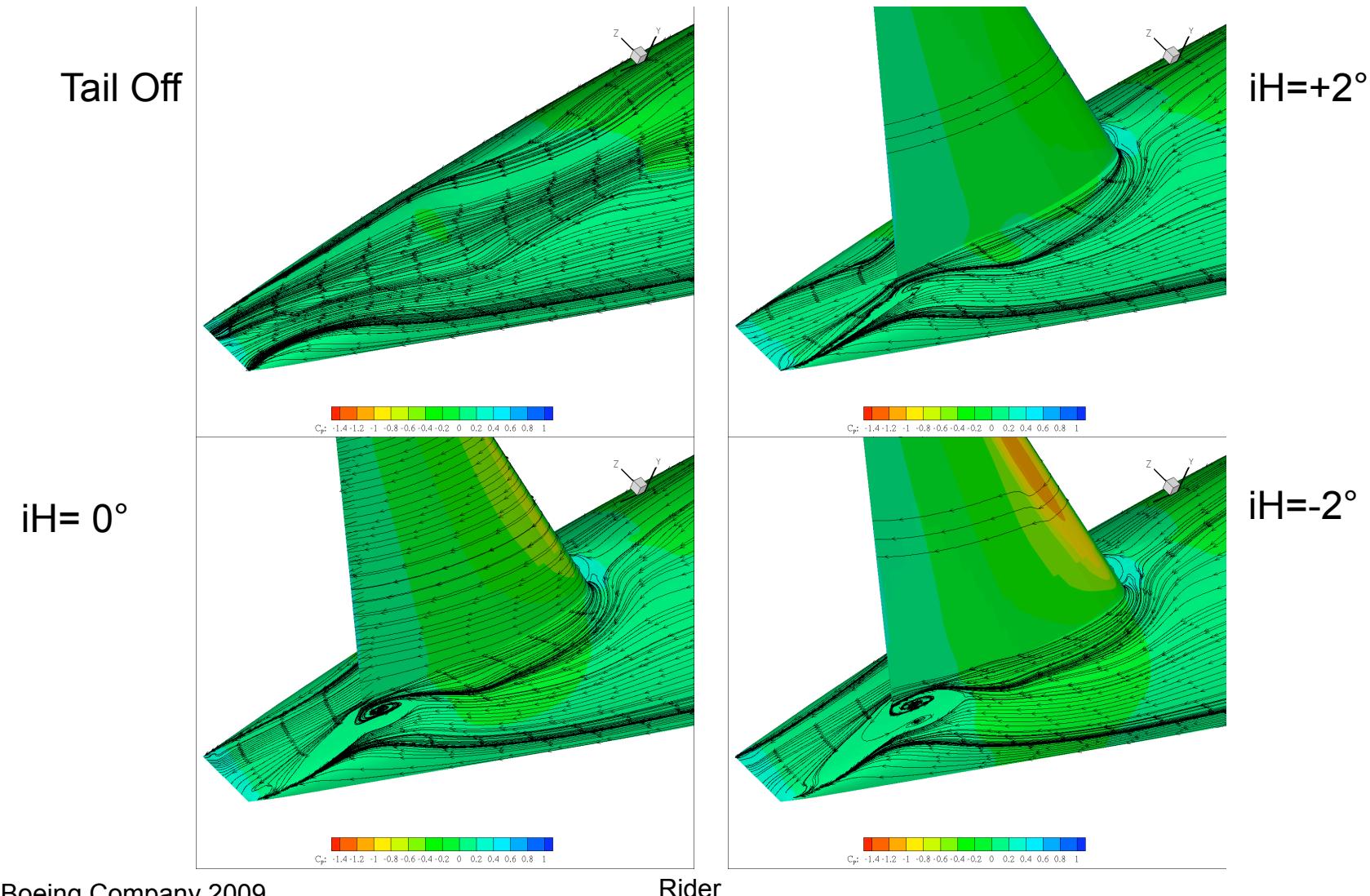
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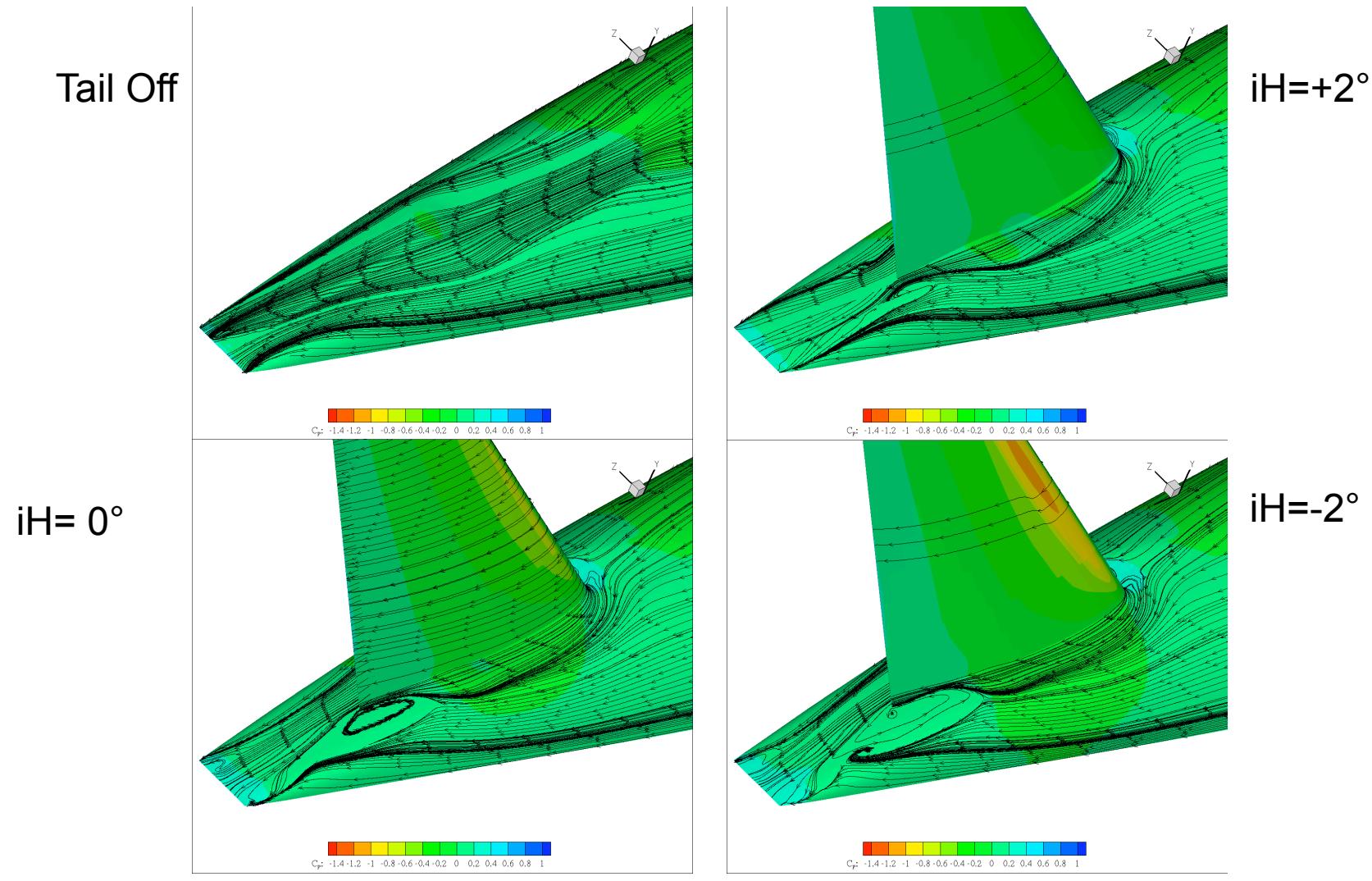
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Case 1b: Downwash (Trim) Study – Thin-Layer / SST (CL=0.5)

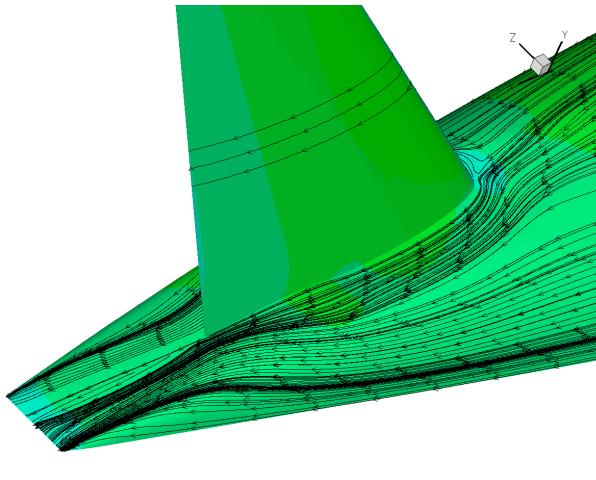
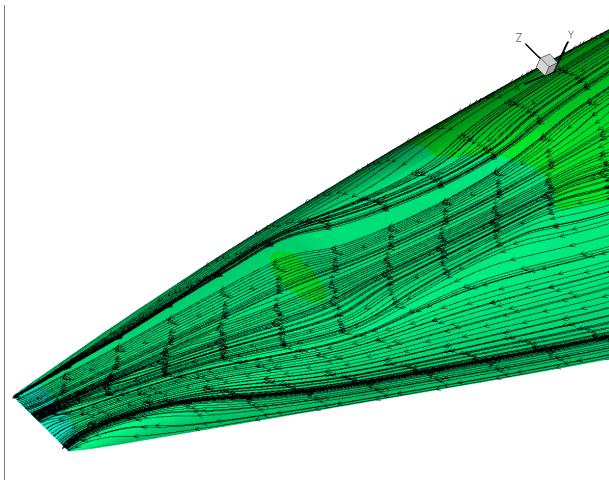


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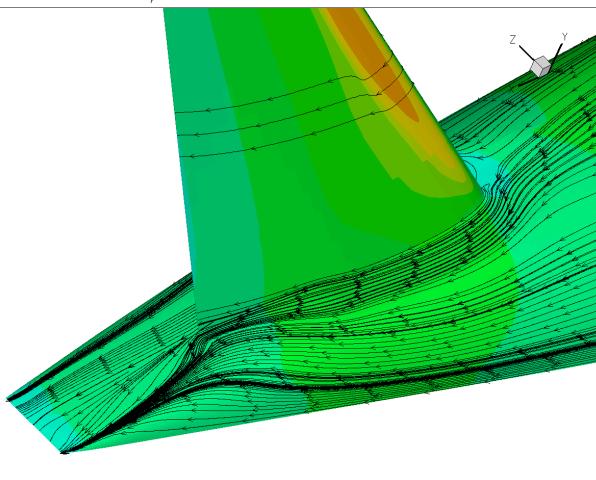
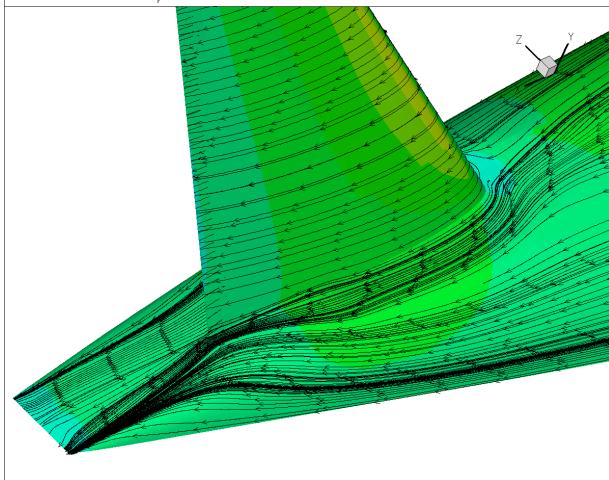
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Tail Off



$iH=+2^\circ$

$iH=0^\circ$



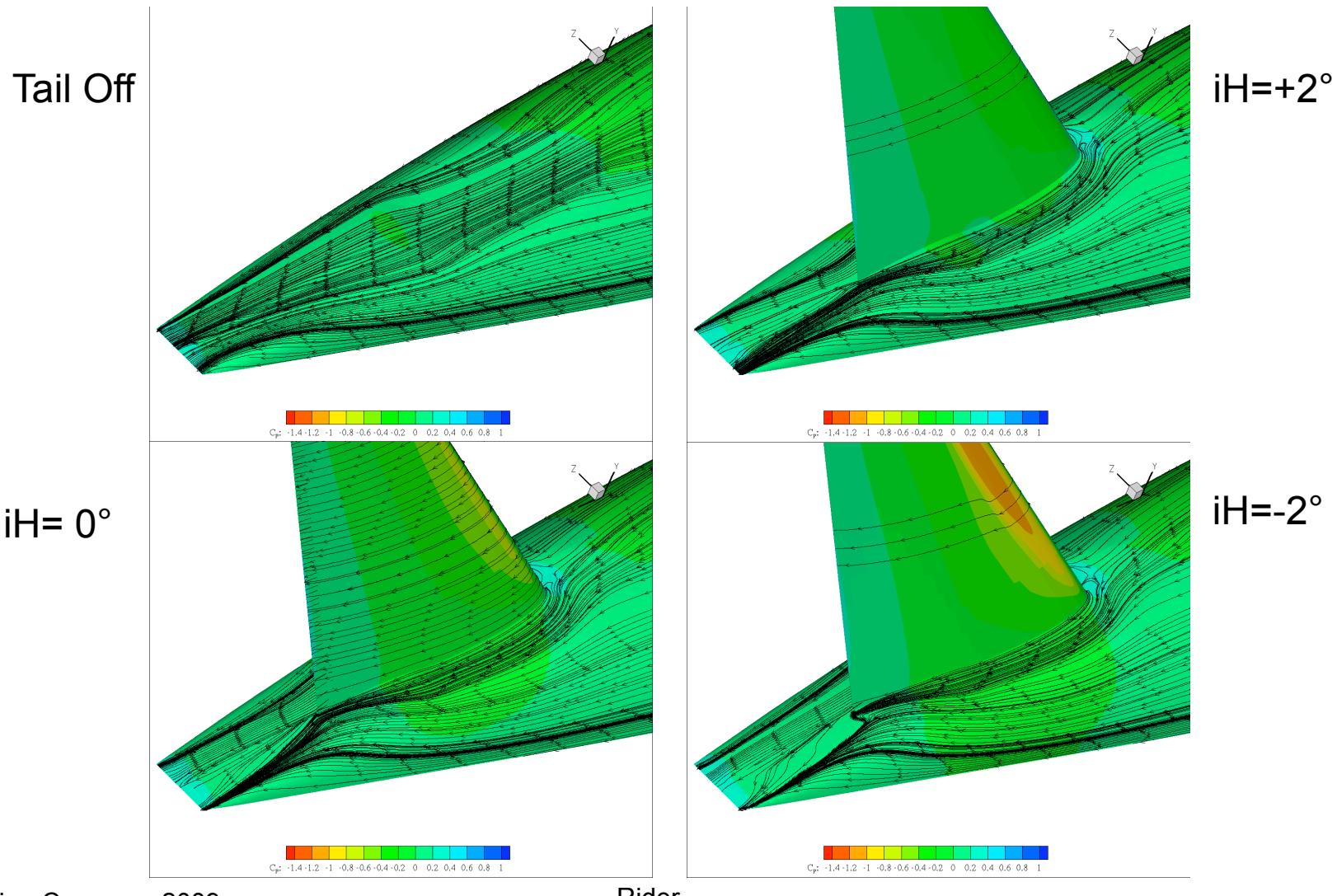
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Case 1b: Downwash (Trim) Study – Thin-Layer / SA (CL=0.50)

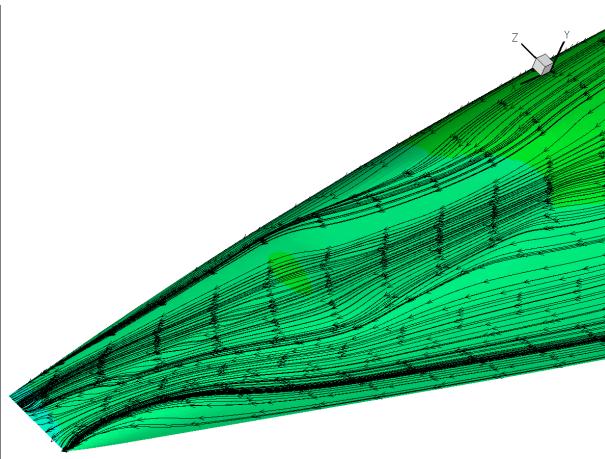


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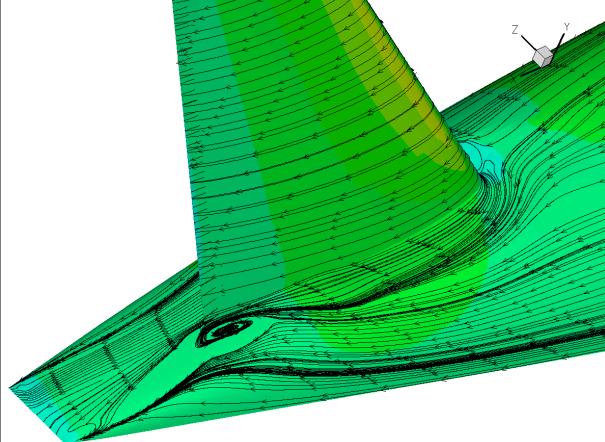
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Tail Off



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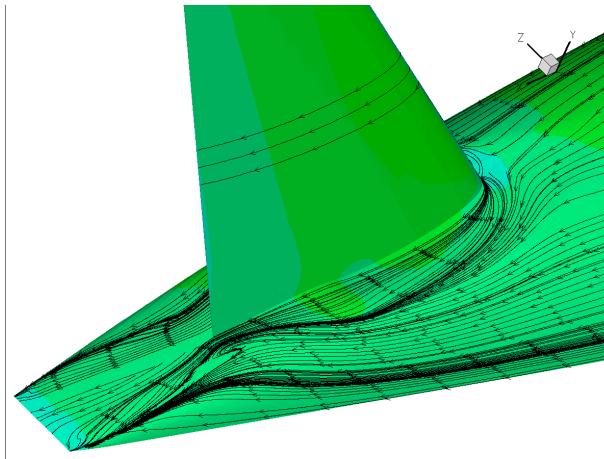
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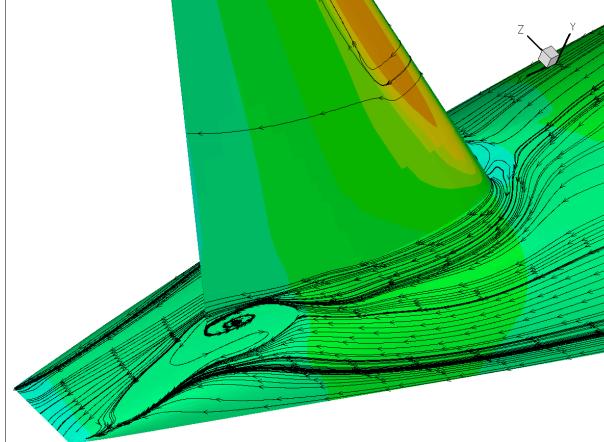
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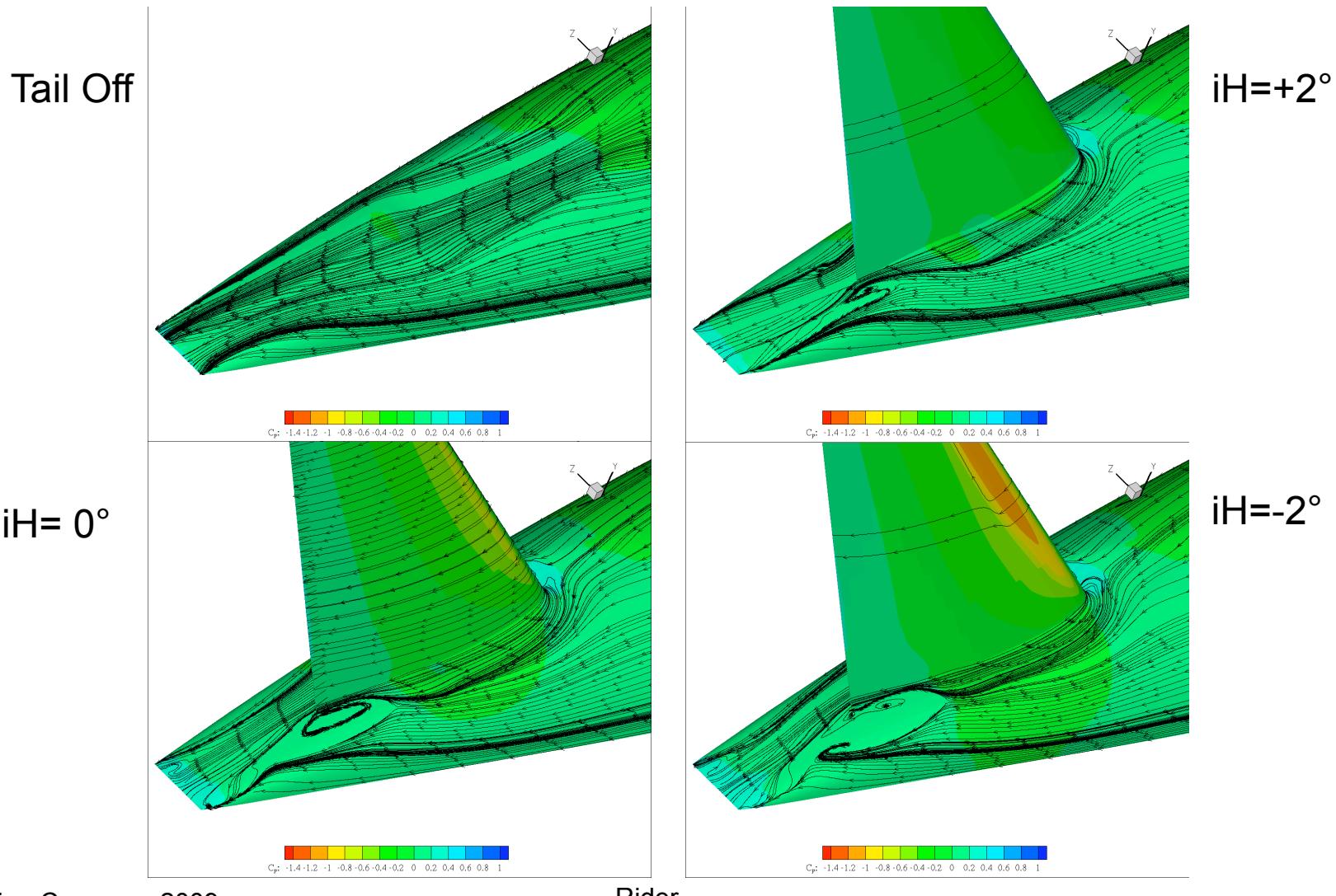


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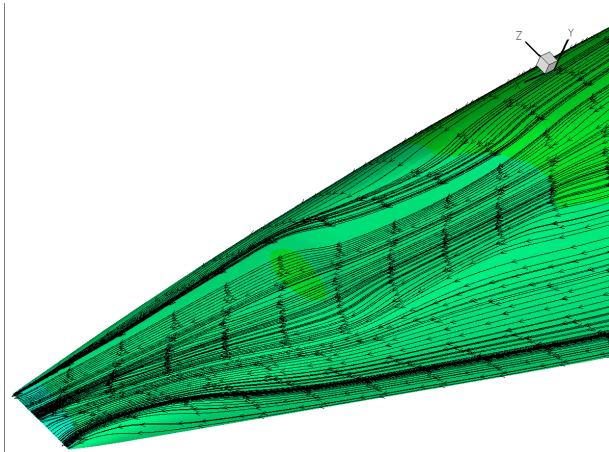


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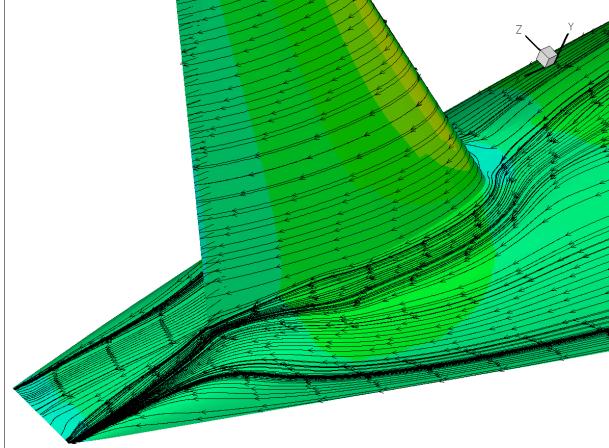
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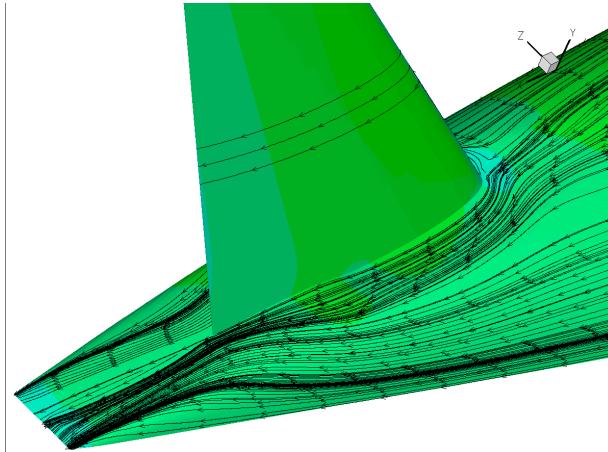
$iH = 0^\circ$



C_p : -1.4 -1.2 -1 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1

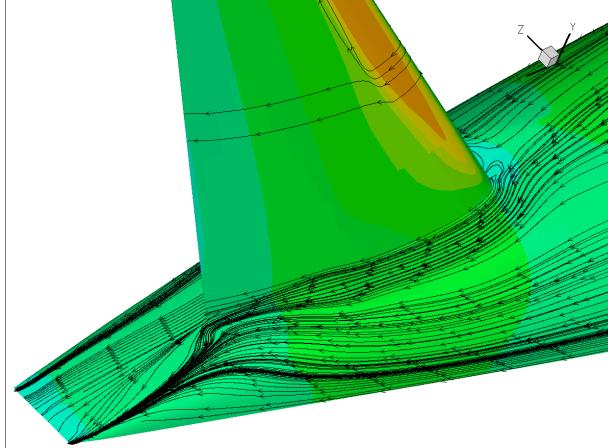
Rider

$iH = +2^\circ$



C_p : -1.4 -1.2 -1 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1

$iH = -2^\circ$



C_p : -1.4 -1.2 -1 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1

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