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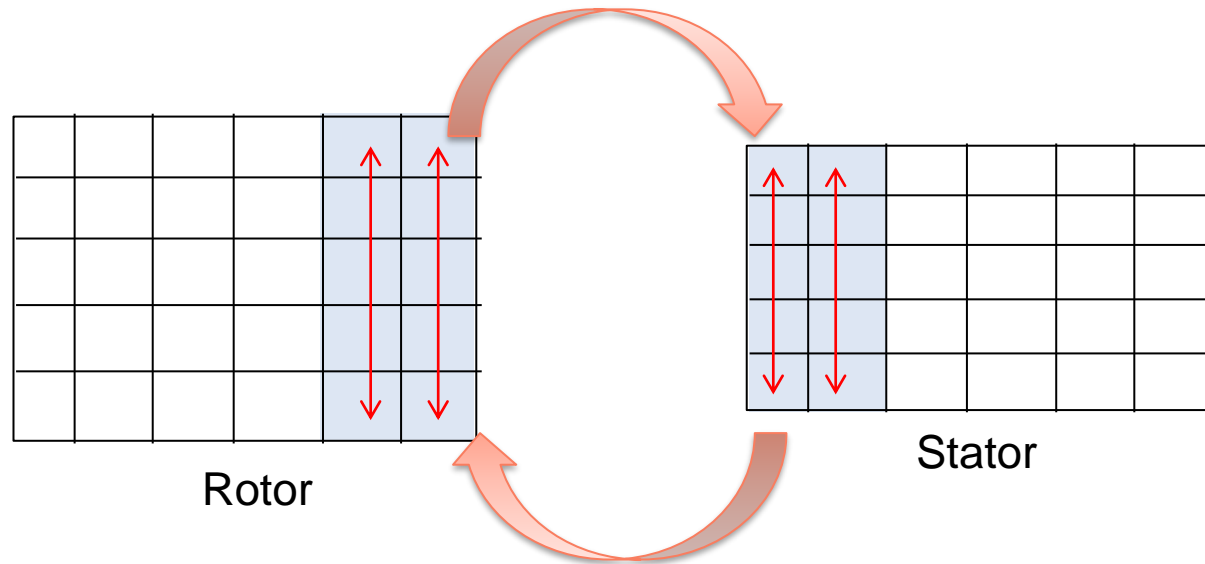
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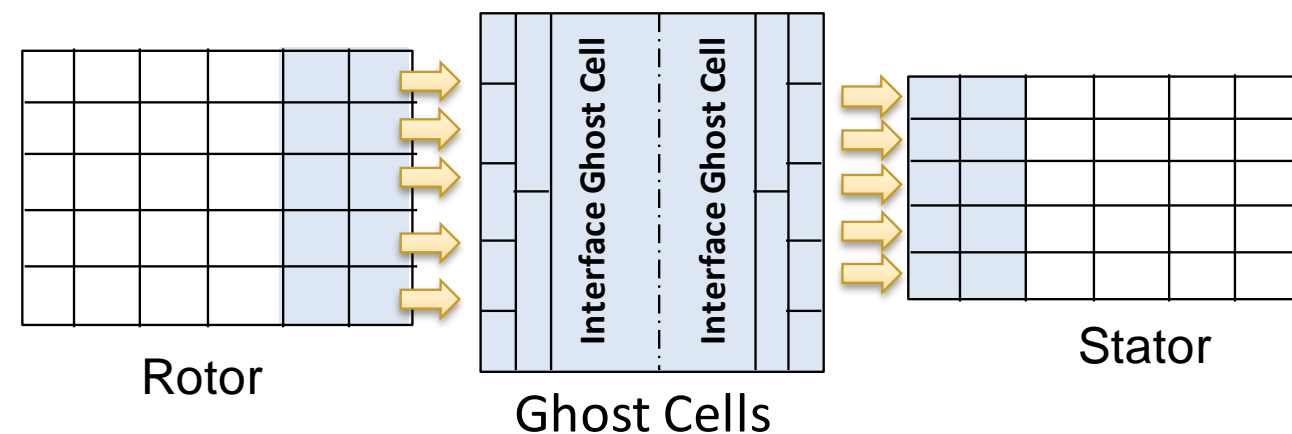
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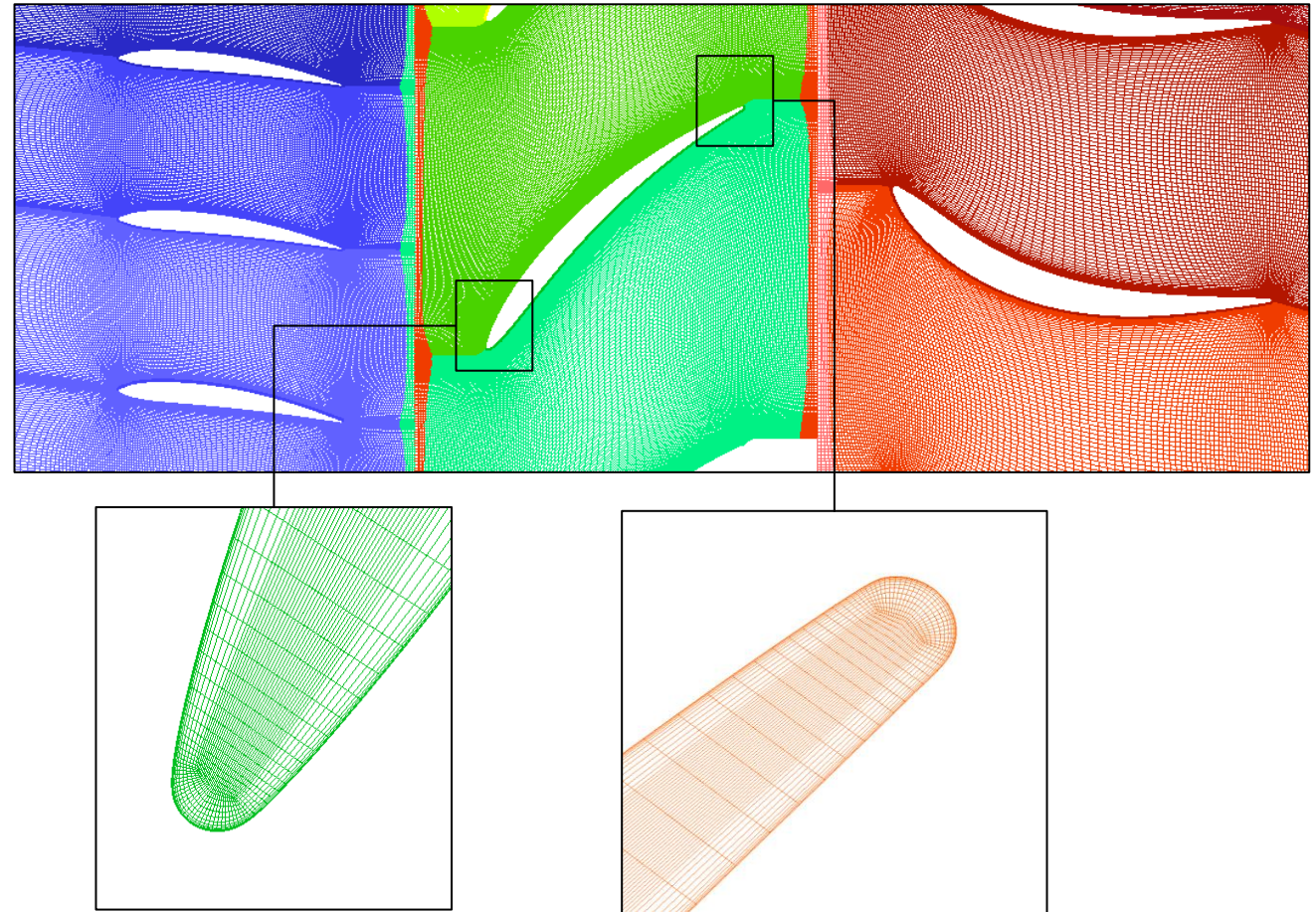
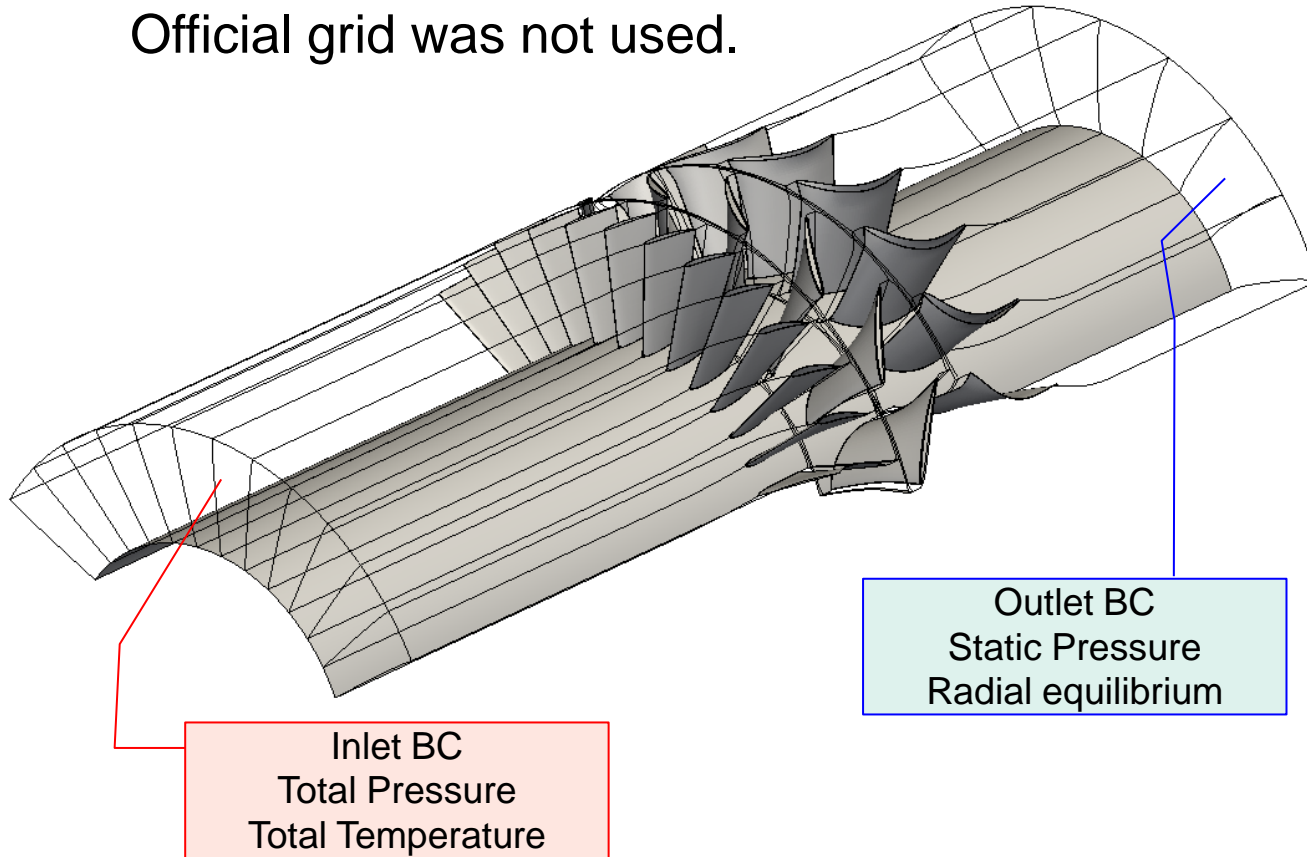
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# Computational grid and boundary conditions

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  - $Y^+ \sim 3$  with 1.2 growth rate
- Total grid point : 1.8M(Steady) and 53M(Unsteady 1/4round)
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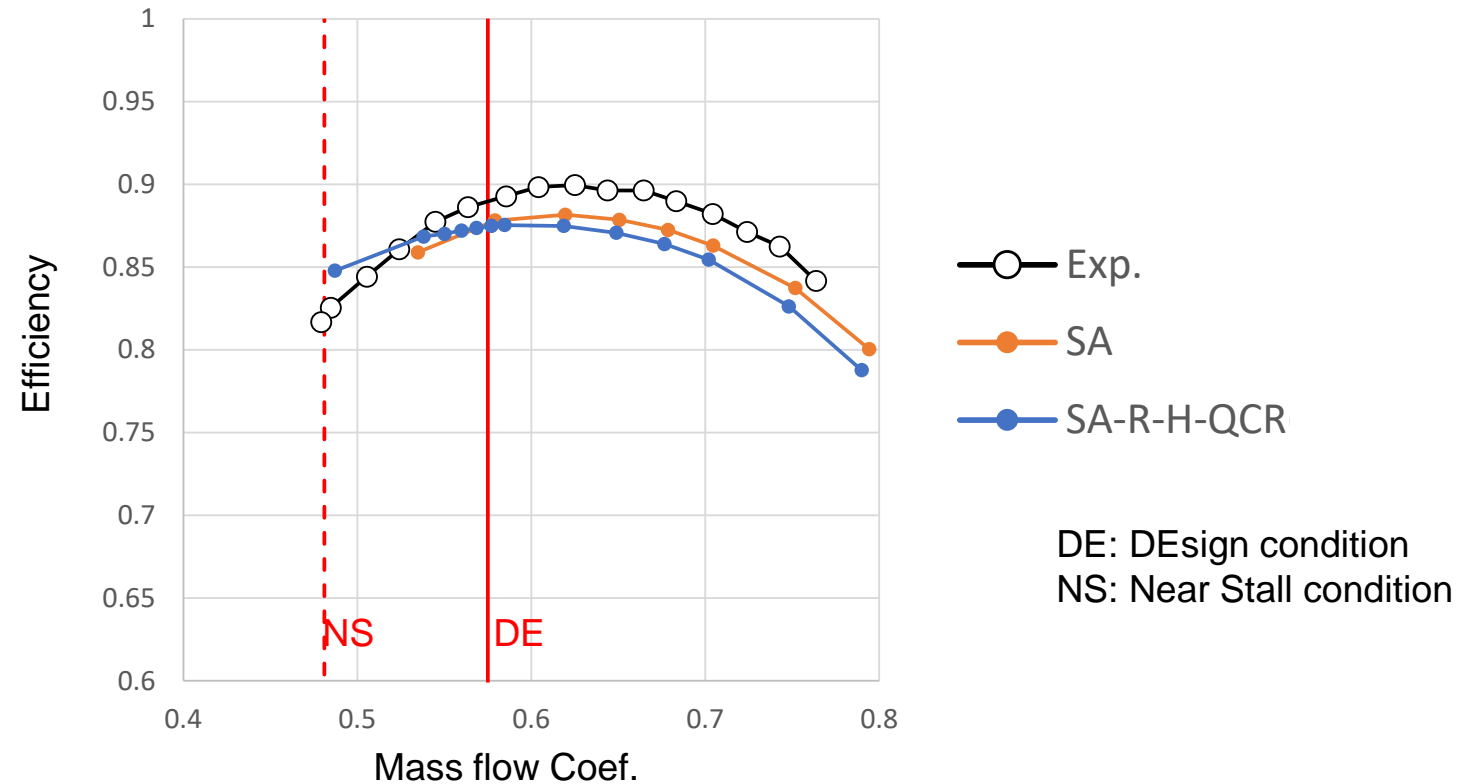
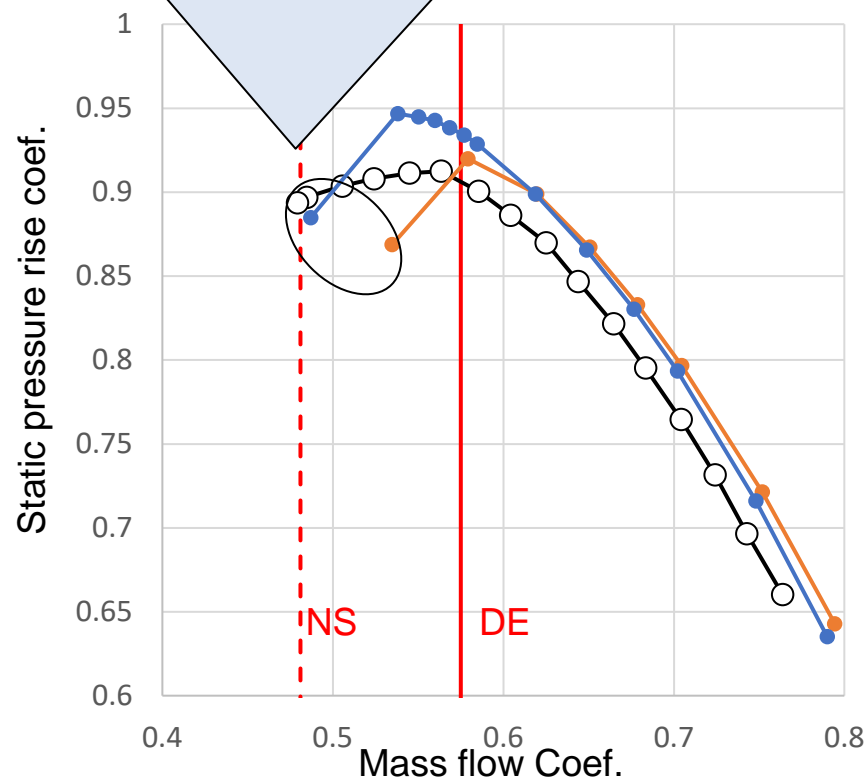
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## **Steady Analysis: SA vs. SA-R-H-QCR2000**



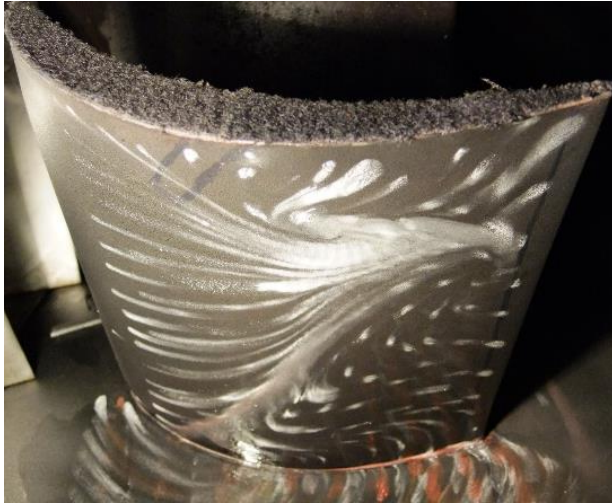
- Static pressure rise coefficient shows slightly higher than that of experiment.
- Optimized R-H-QCR show smaller stall mass flow coefficient than that of pure SA model.
- SA shows slightly higher stall mass flow coefficient, but R-H-QCR show smaller than the experimental result.

In stall condition. Flow rate is decreasing. CFD runs are not converged.





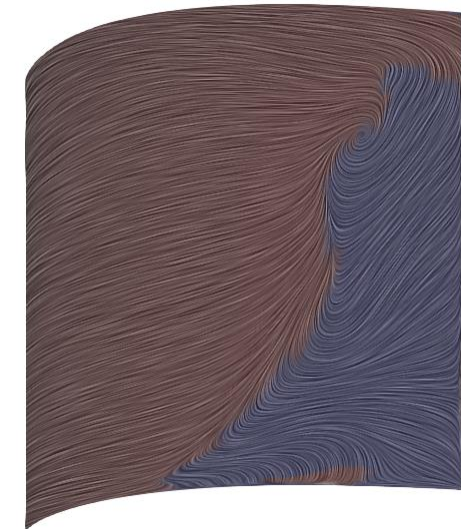
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Exp.



SA



SA-R-H-QCR

- In experiment, both hub and shroud separation can be observed.
  - Hub separation cannot be reproduced with SA. Casing side separation is also too small.
  - SA-R-H-QCR can reproduce massive corner separation, but casing separation cannot be seen.

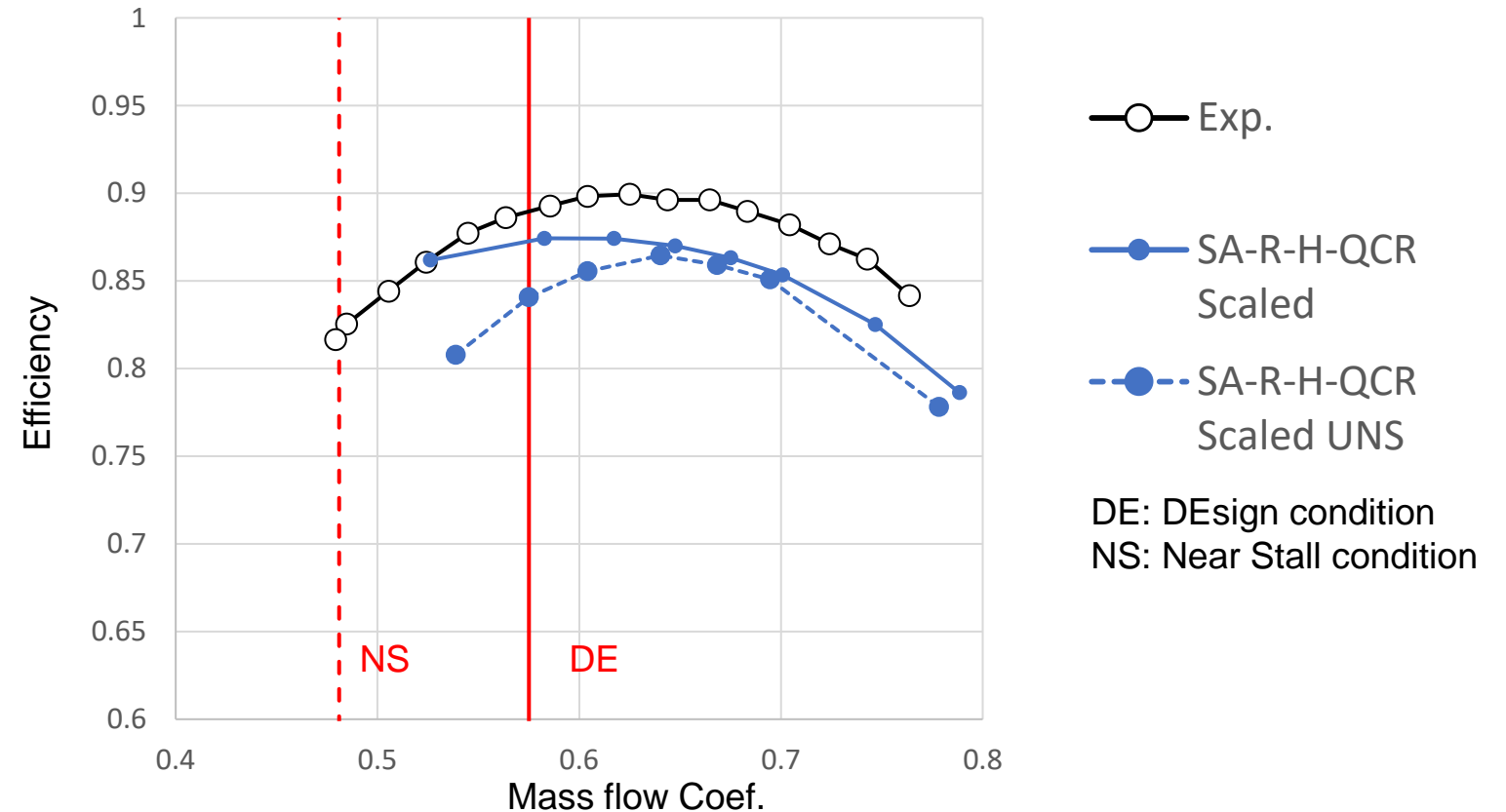
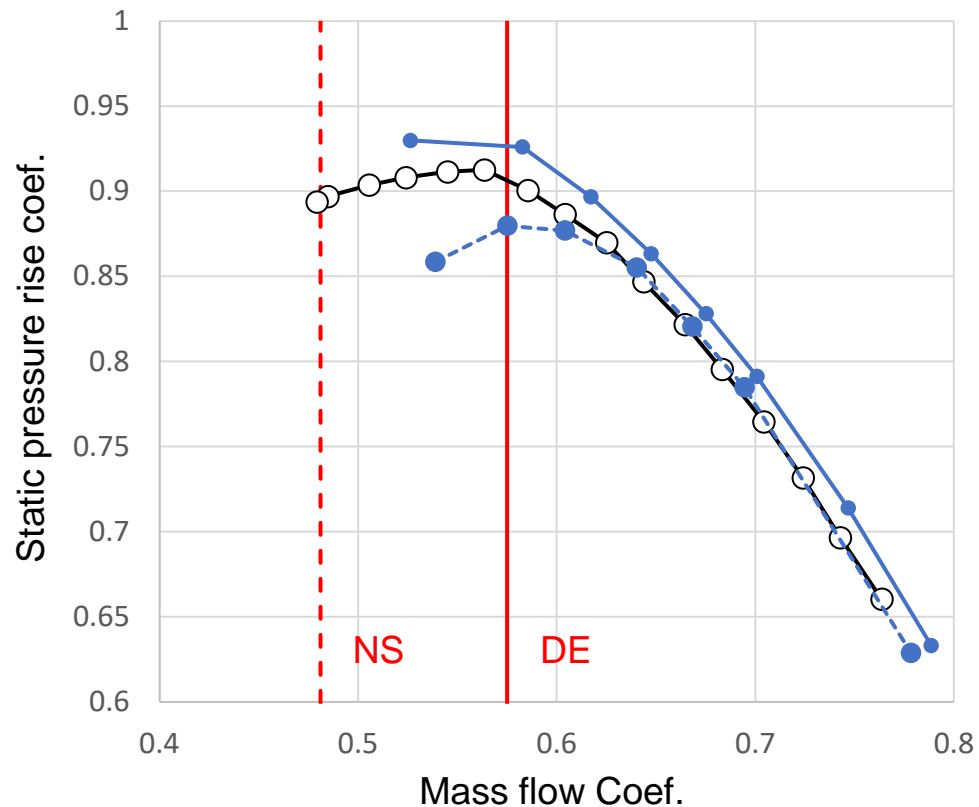
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## Unsteady CFD

Note : Blade numbers are modified from 36-17-20 to 36-18-21 (1/3 circumference).  
Calculation is restarted from steady calculation.

- Unsteady R-H-QCR model shows better agreement at high flow rate condition.
- However, stall mass flow coefficient becomes higher in unsteady case.
- Efficiency is still smaller than experiment. Highest efficiency flow coefficient agrees well in unsteady case.

Question : Which phenomena derives this difference?

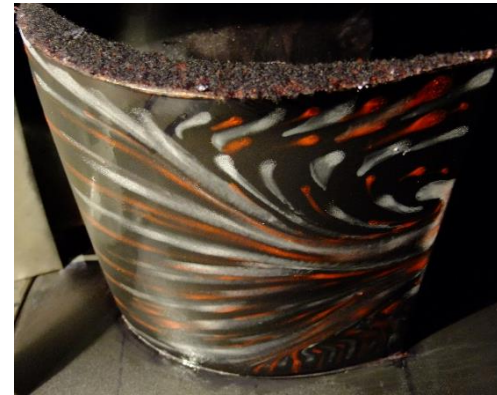




# Stator suction surface oilflow comparison : SA-R-H(BS)-QCR

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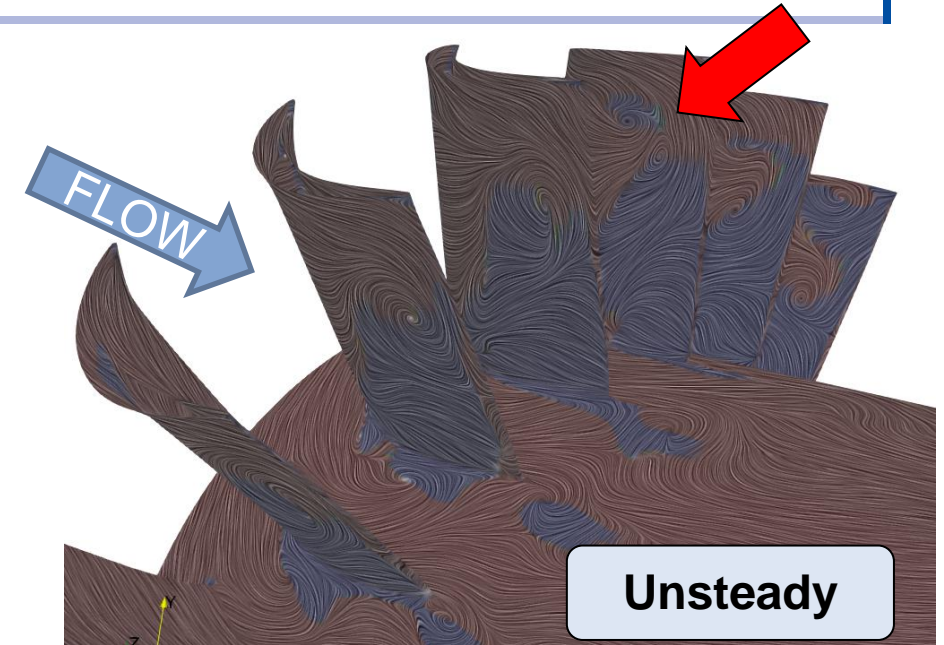
- Major difference is caused by stator flow.
  - Separation pattern at DE condition is different.
  - Backflow region near tip cannot be seen in unsteady cases.
  - Flow pattern is different between blade to blade in DE unsteady case.



Exp.

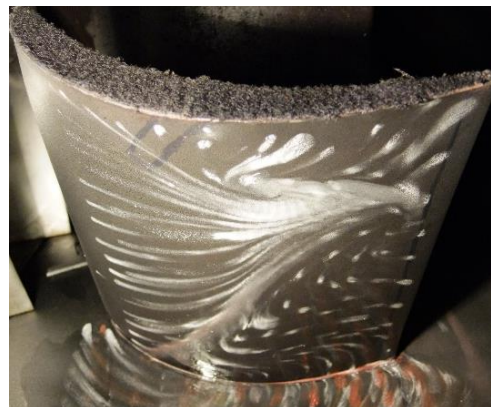


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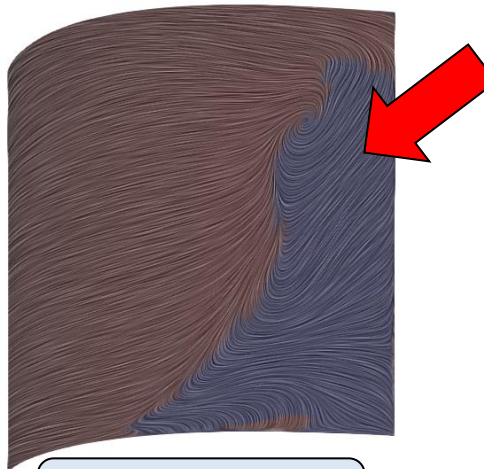


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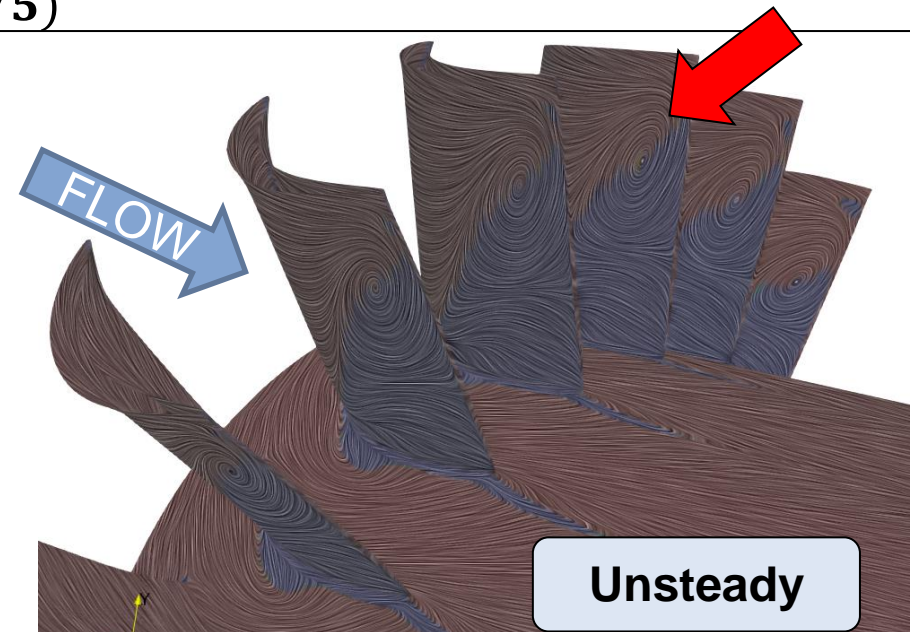
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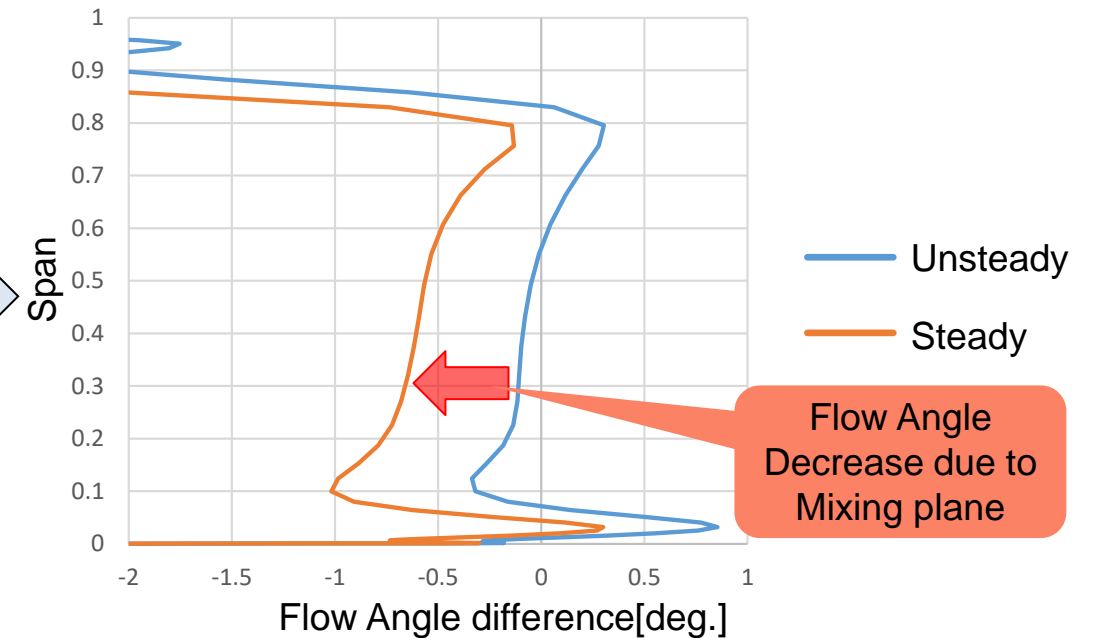
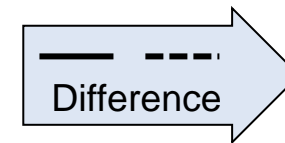
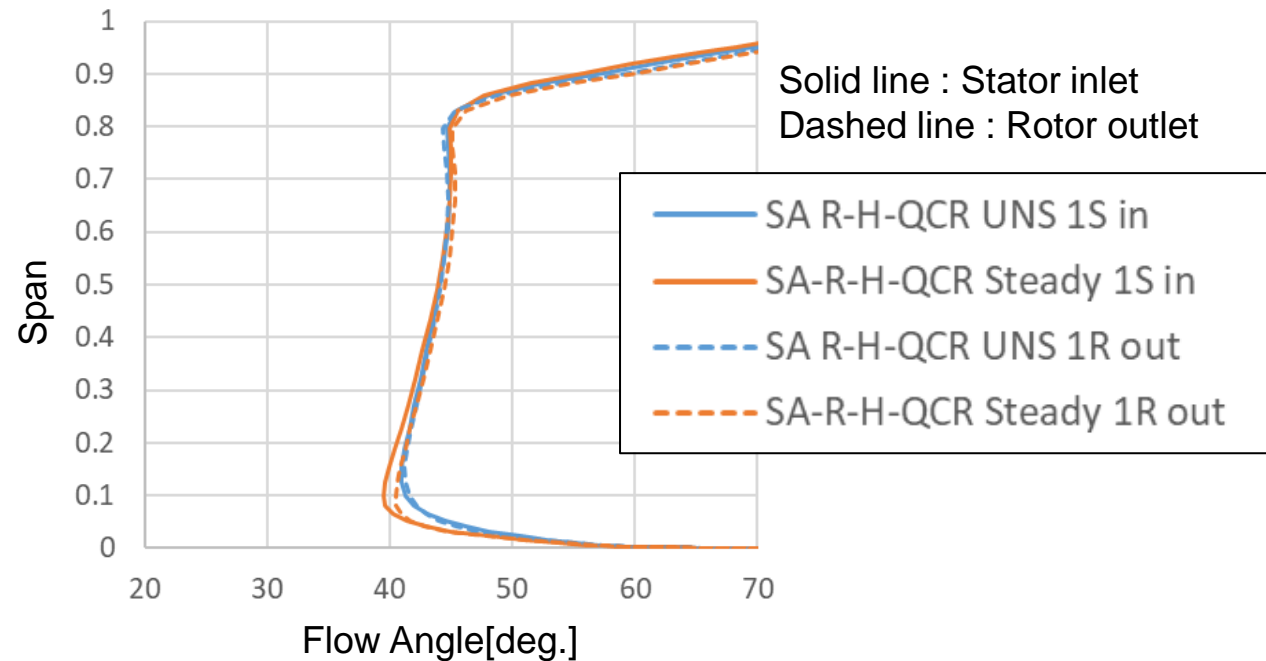
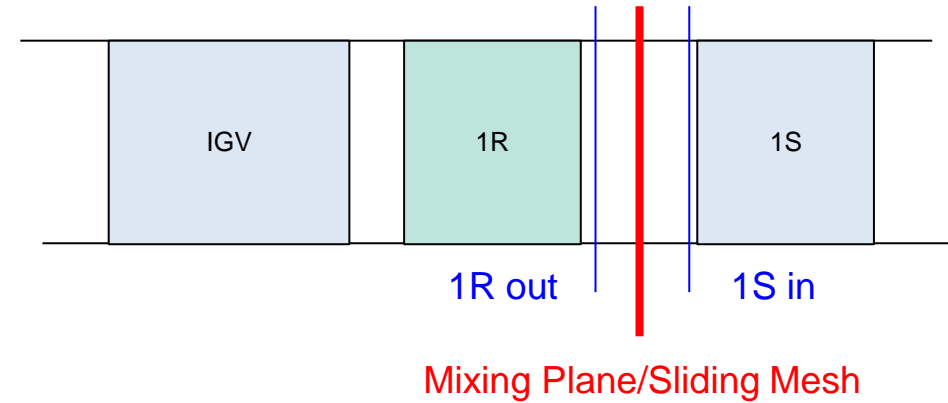


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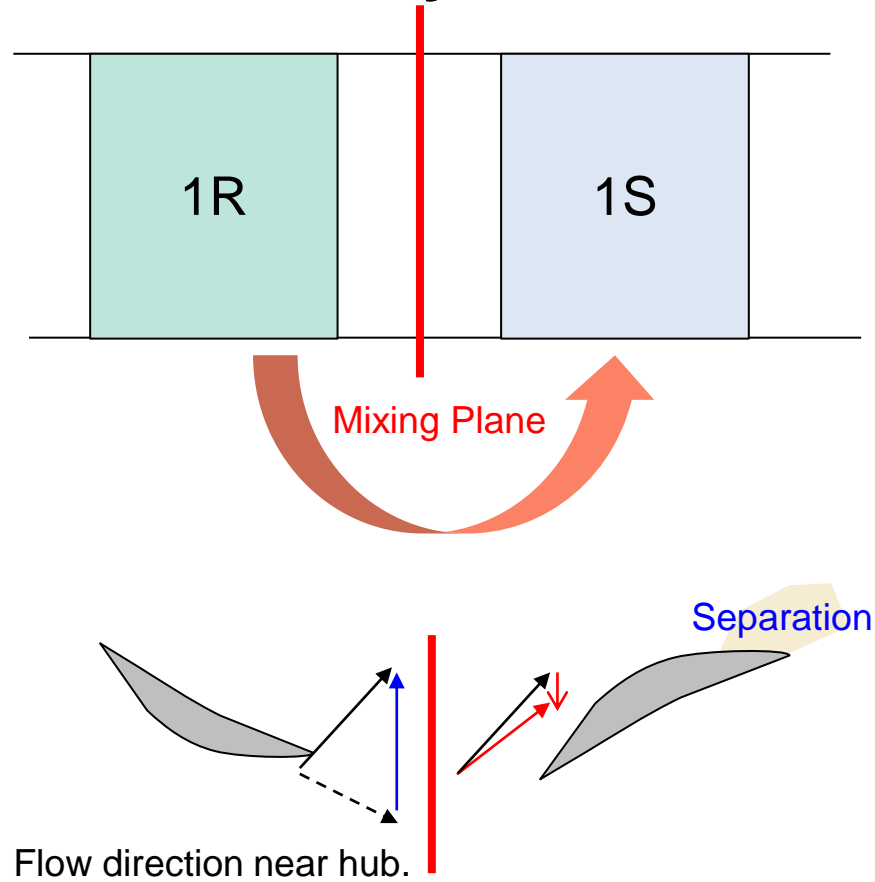
$NS(\phi = 0.481)$

# Impact of mixing plane

- Flow angle at rotor outlet (dashed line) is almost identical.
- Stator inlet flow angle is slightly decreased for steady analysis caused by mixing plane.
  - Flow angle difference is approximately 0.7 degree near hub.

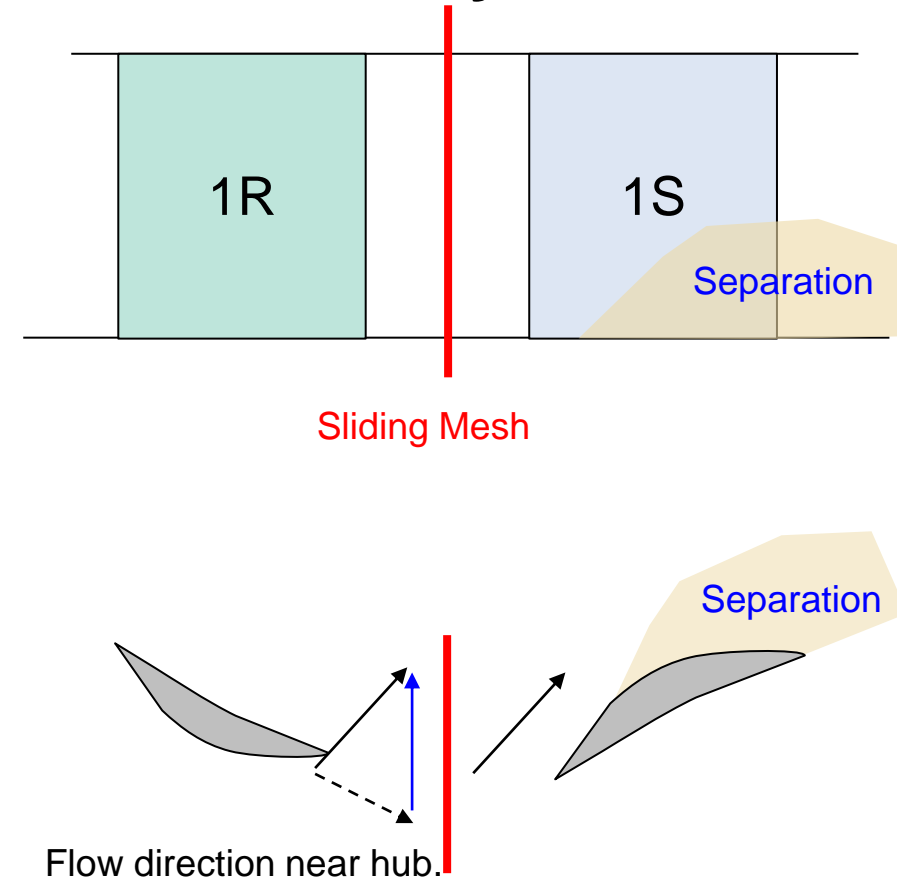


## Steady CFD



- Angle of attack for stator becomes small.

## Unsteady CFD



- Relatively high angle of attack in unsteady CFD.
- Massive corner separation is generated.
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- Massive hub corner separation is observed in unsteady CFD at stator.
- This difference caused by flow angle difference at mixing plane.

## Still remaining questions

- There still exist discrepancy even with URANS on stall massflow.
- Investigation and improvement on flow angle difference by mixing plane should be carried out. Unsteady CFD cannot be applied for design CFD even now.

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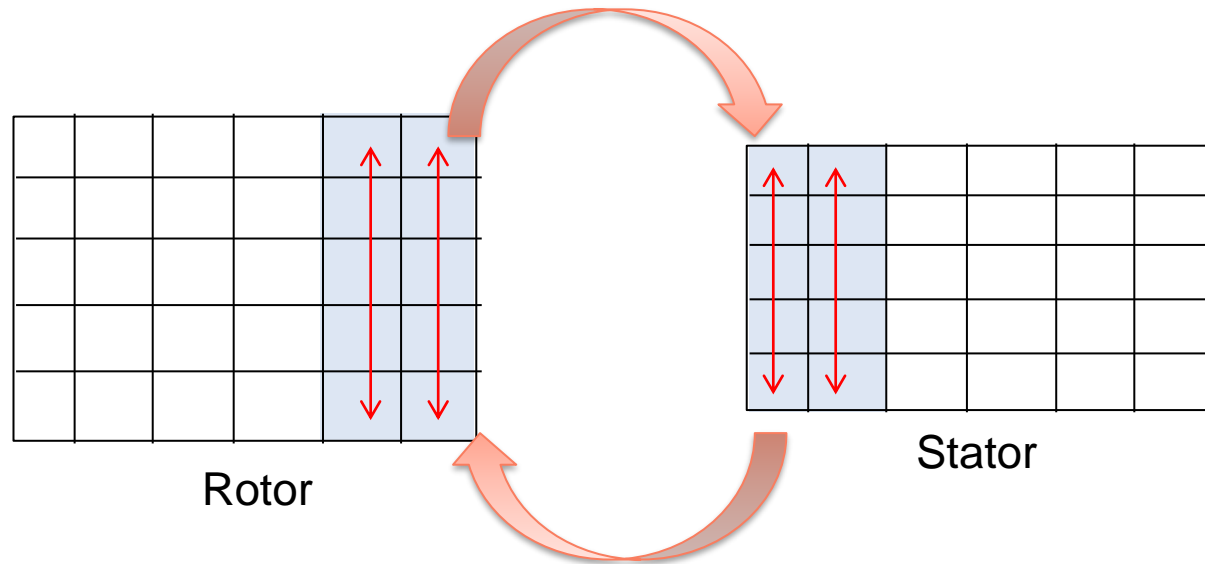
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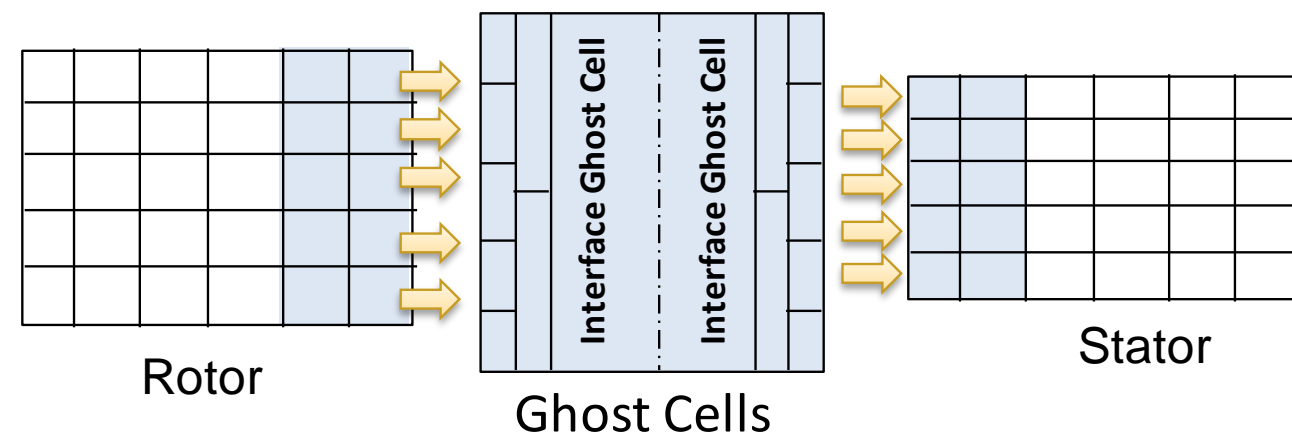
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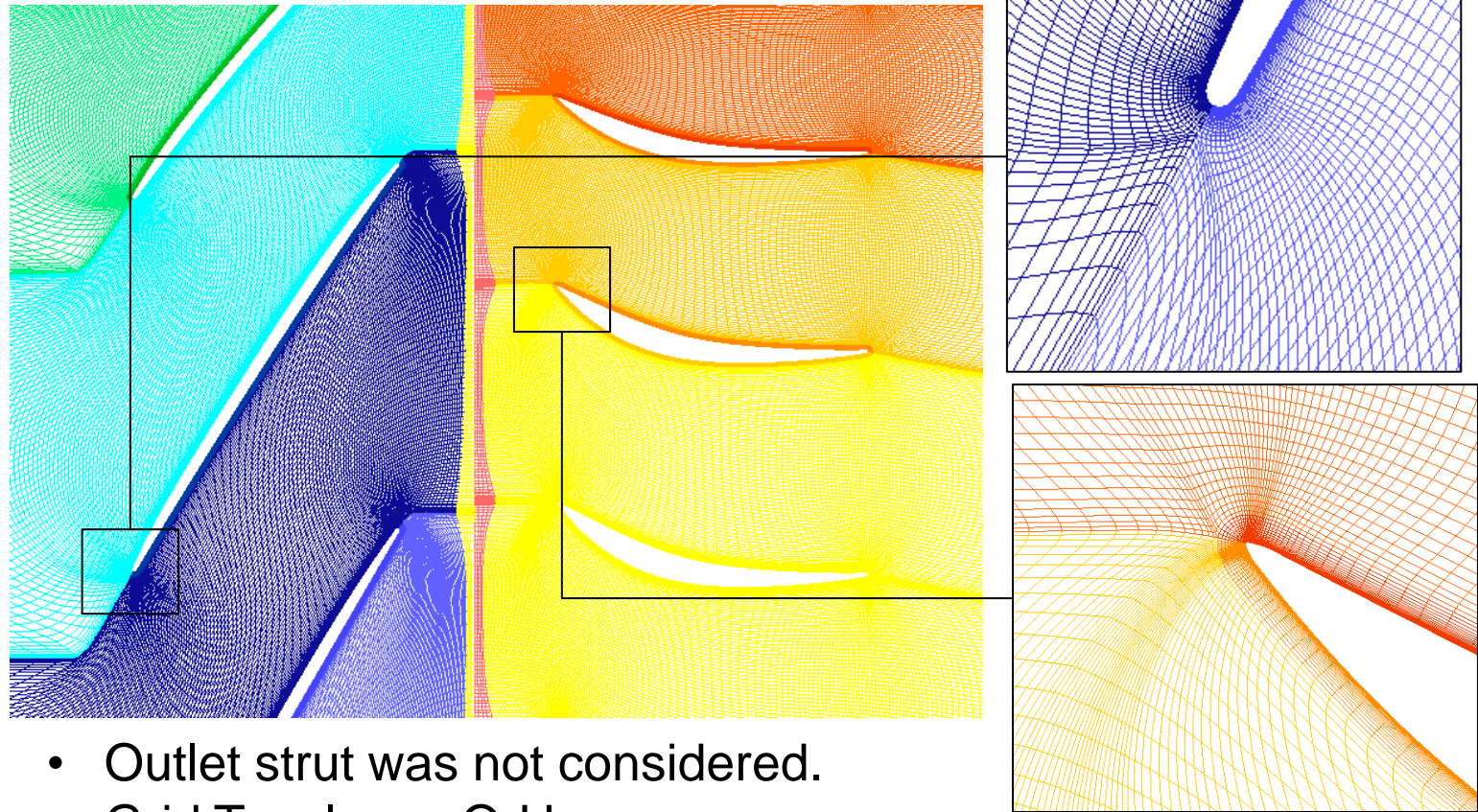
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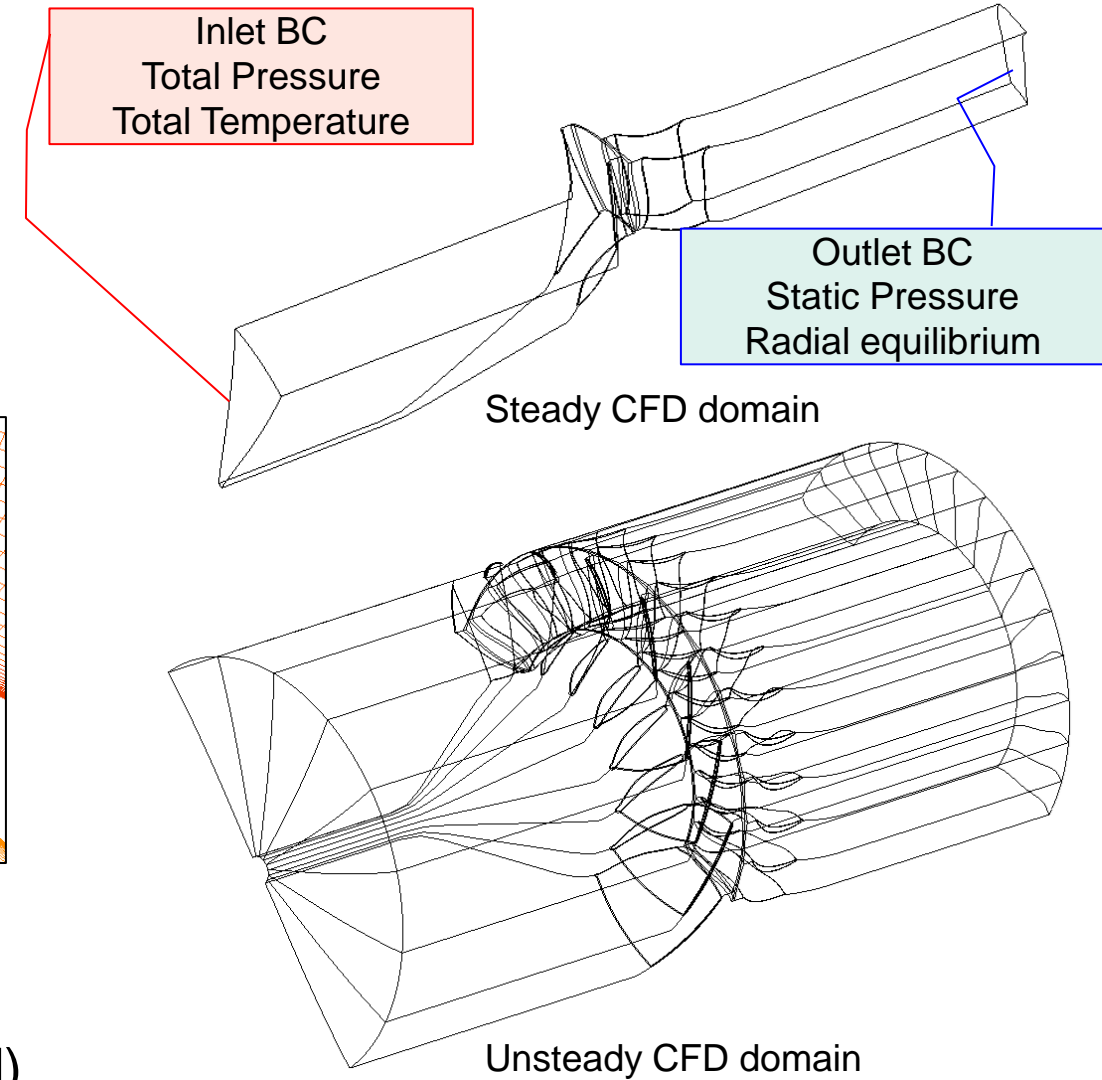


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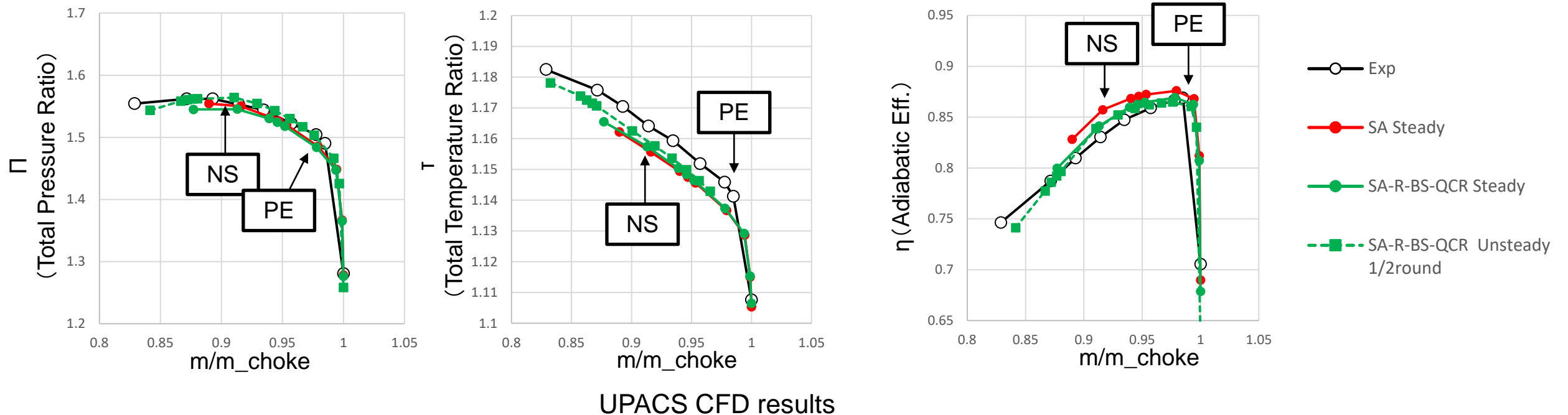


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	Blade Count	Scaled Blade Count for Unsteady CFD
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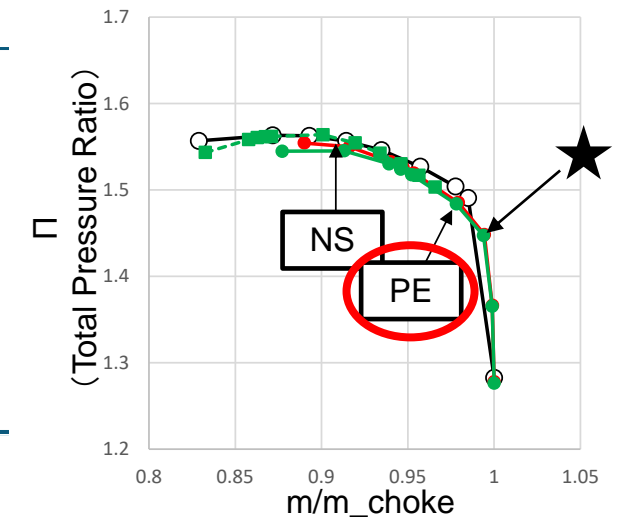
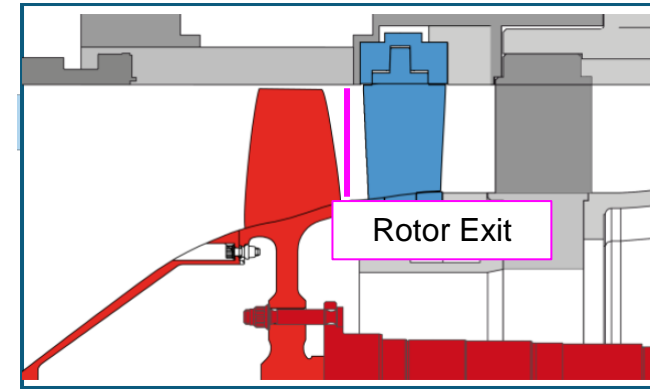


UPACS CFD results

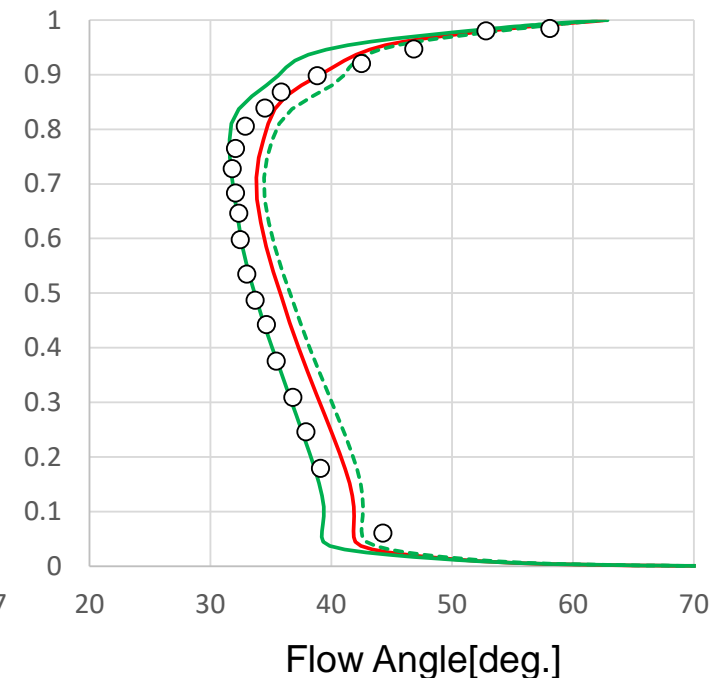
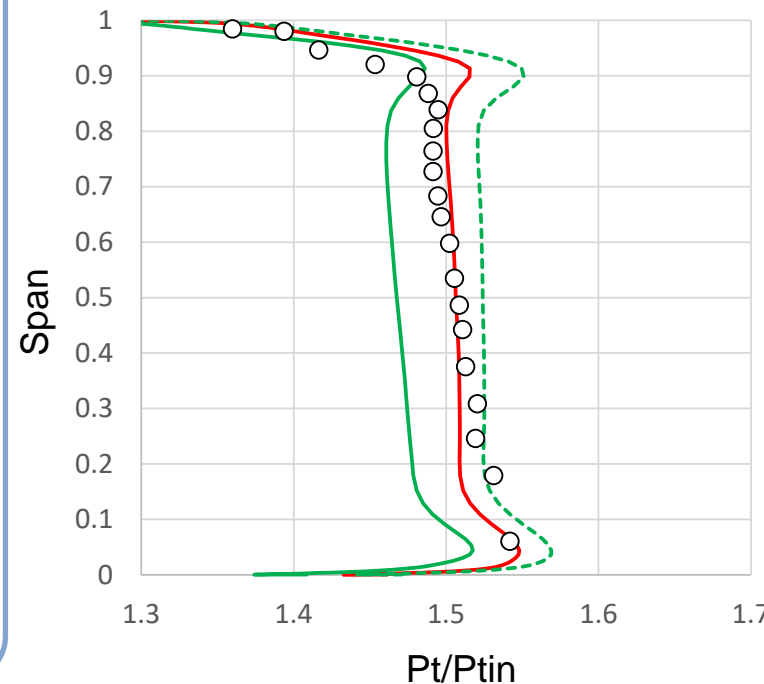
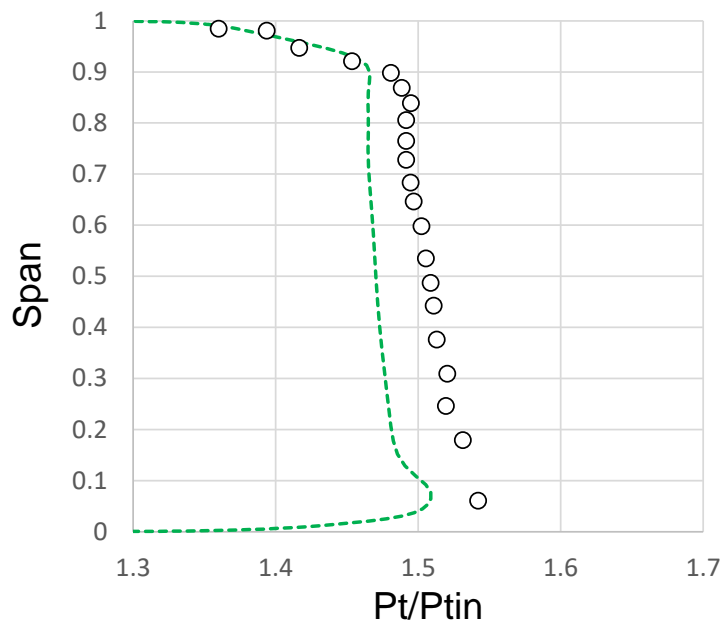
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- Total temperature ratio is relatively smaller than experimental data, therefore, efficiency becomes slightly higher.
- Question : Why unsteady CFD can get result at “positive slope”  $\Pi$ -m region?

# Rotor exit distribution at PE condition : Spanwise distribution

- Experimental total pressure shows smaller near shroud.
  - All CFD results show relatively flat distribution.
  - It should be noted overshoot near shroud cannot be seen at ★ point.
- Flow angle show reasonably fine result in all CFD result.

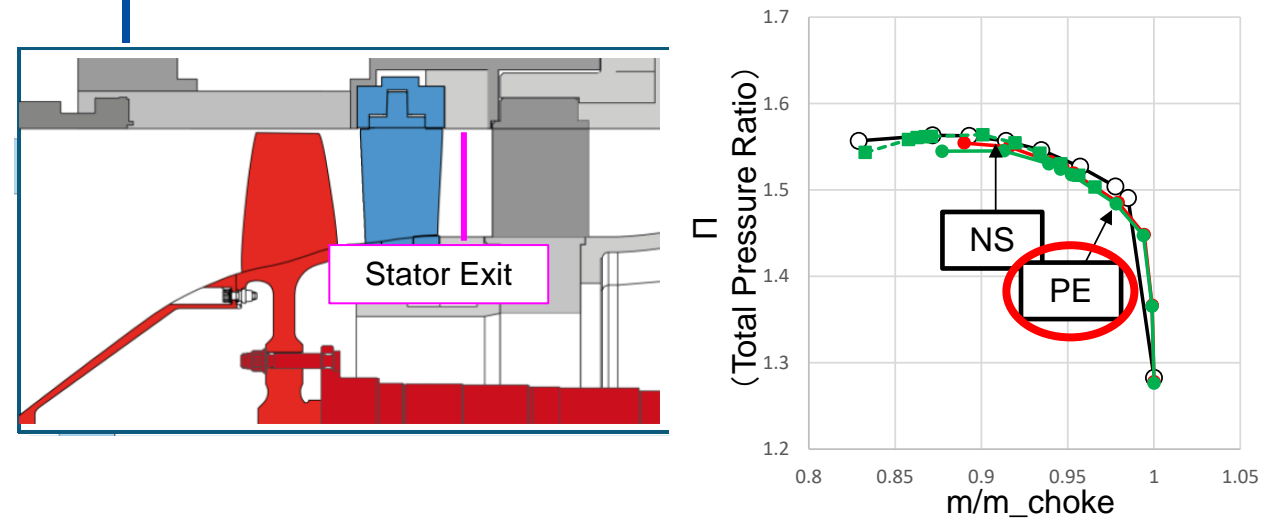


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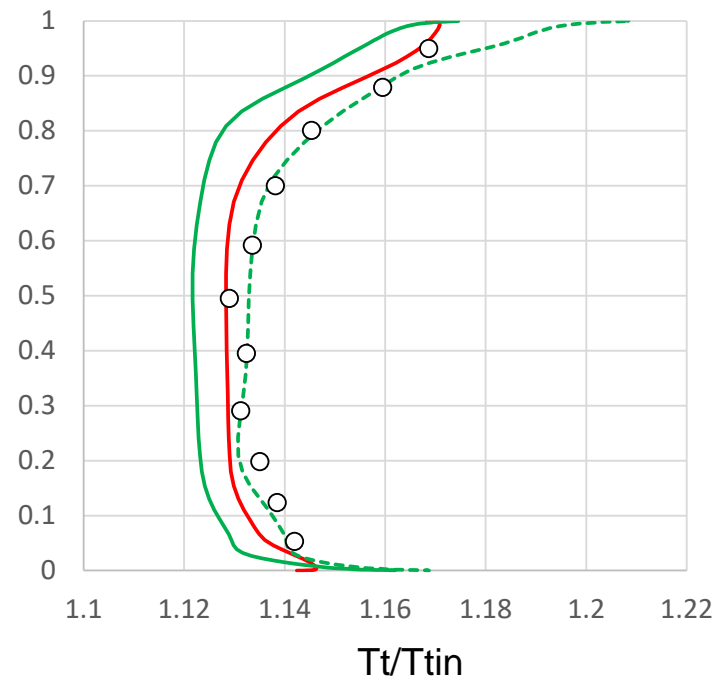
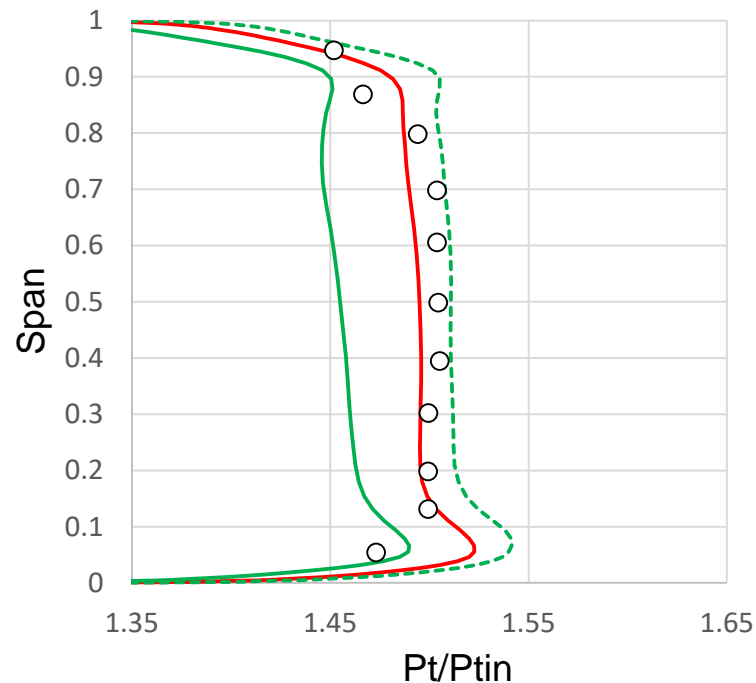


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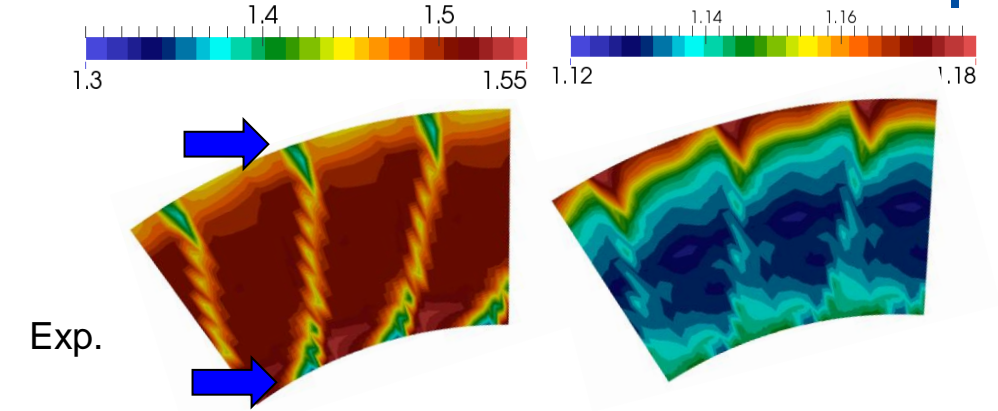
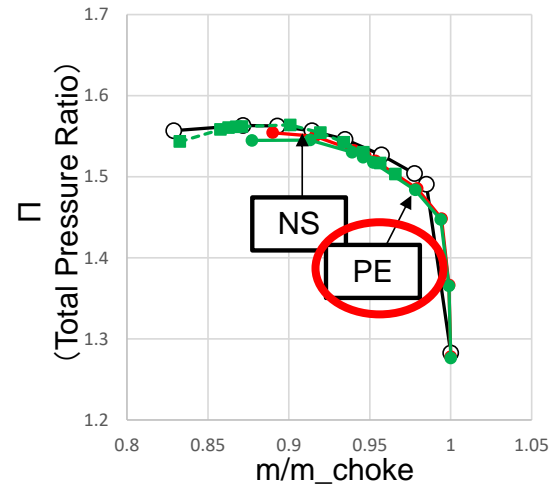
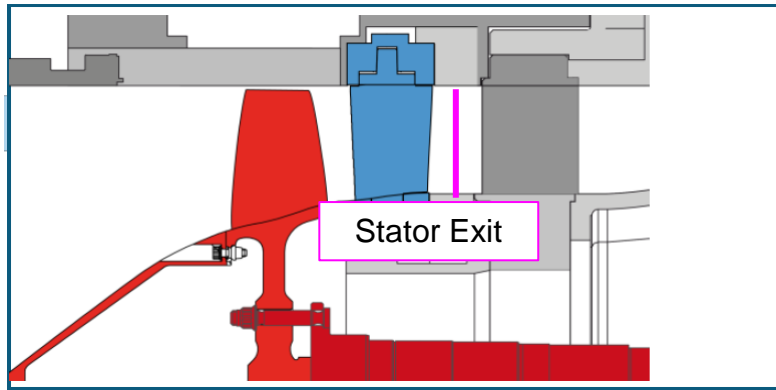
- Pt distribution of CFD show relatively flat distribution. This tendency is the same as rotor exit.
- Total temperature distribution agrees well especially with SA-R-H-QCR unsteady case.



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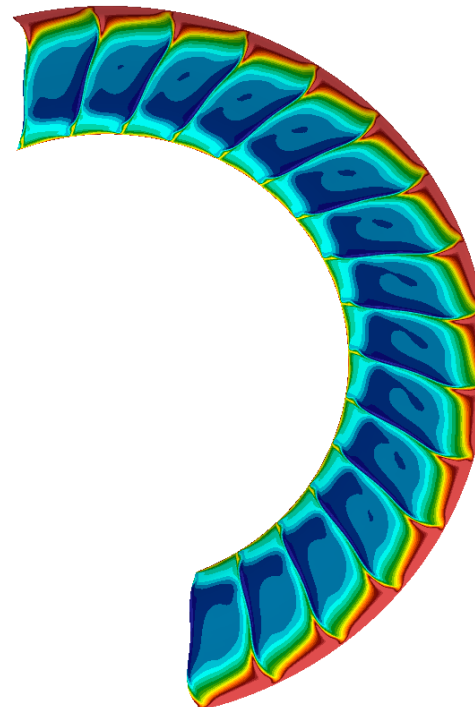
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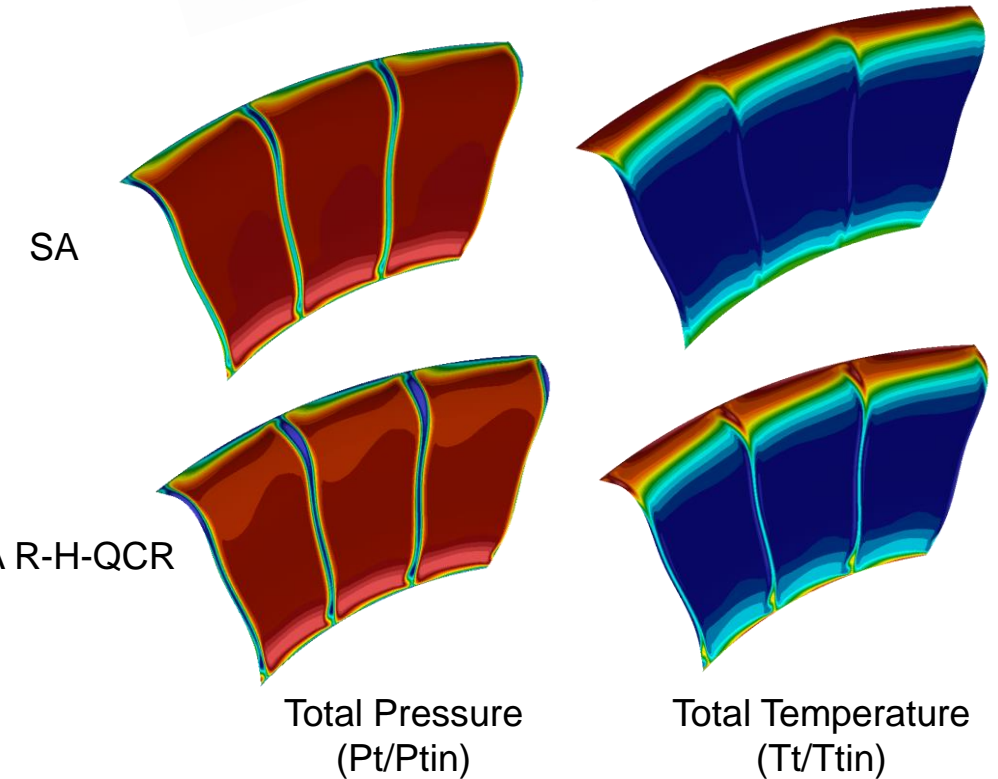
Low pressure region near hub and tip (blue allow) cannot be seen in CFD. This causes overprediction near hub and tip.



Total Pressure (Pt/Ptin)



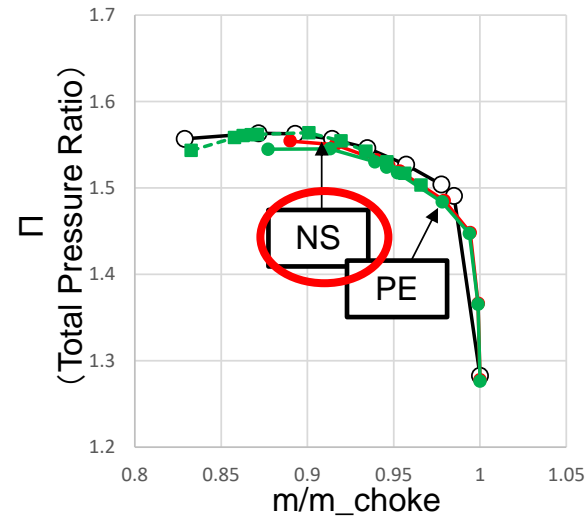
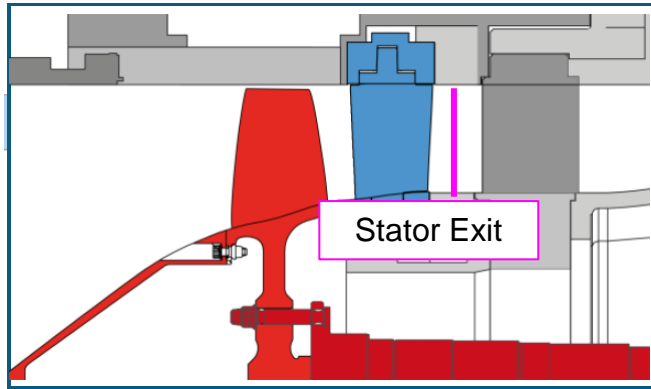
Total Temperature (Tt/Ttin)



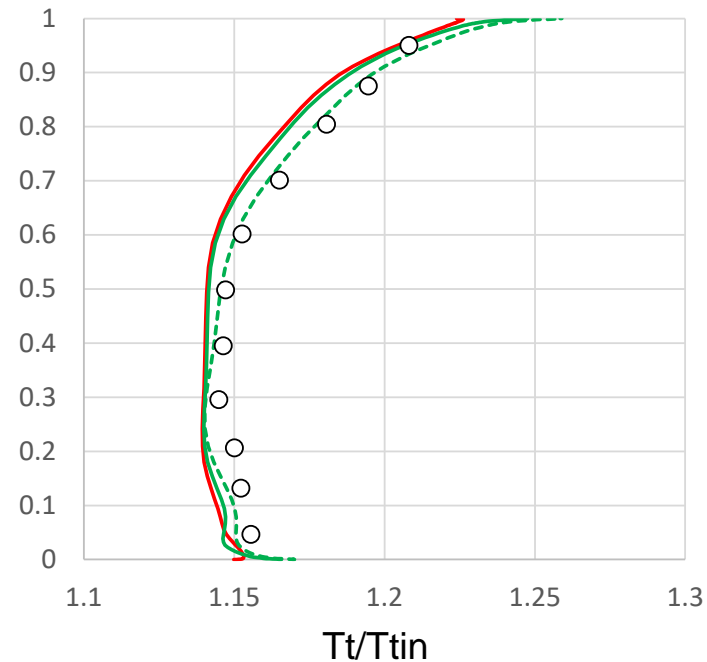
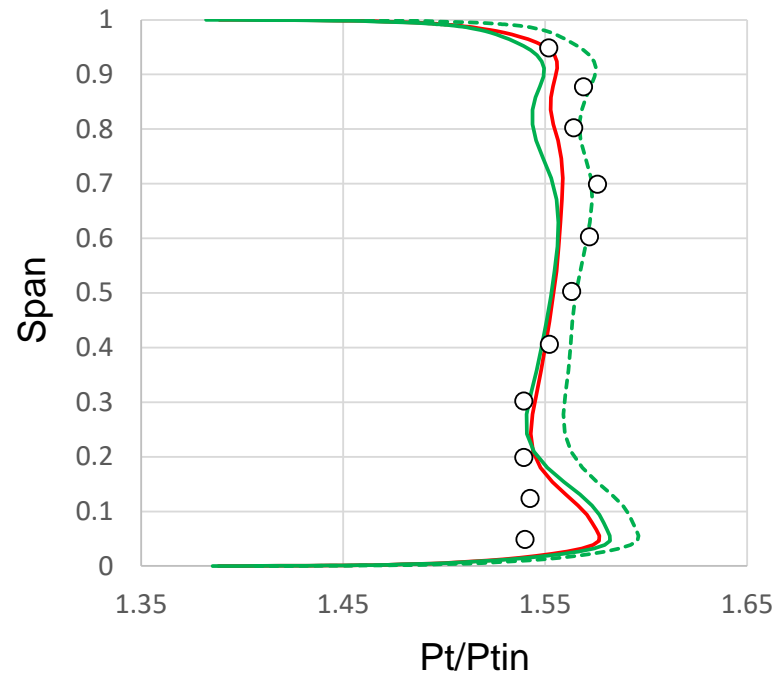
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# Stator exit distribution at NS condition : Spanwise distribution



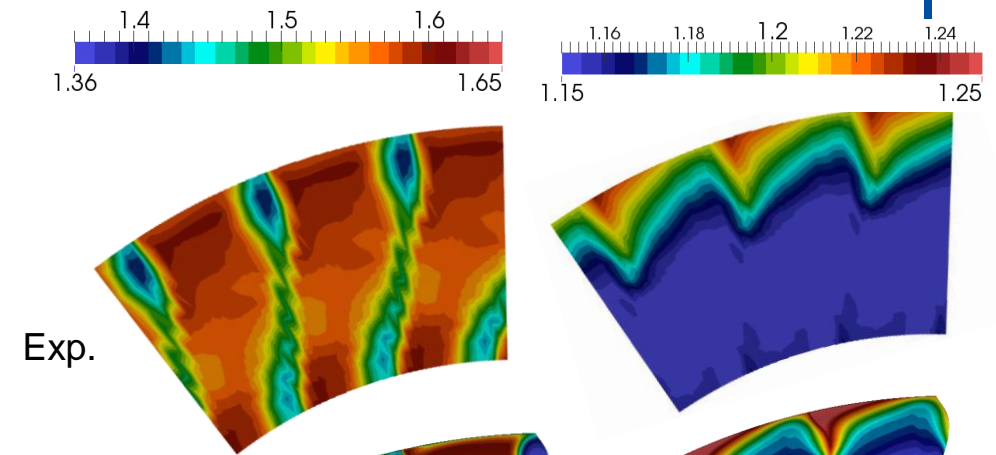
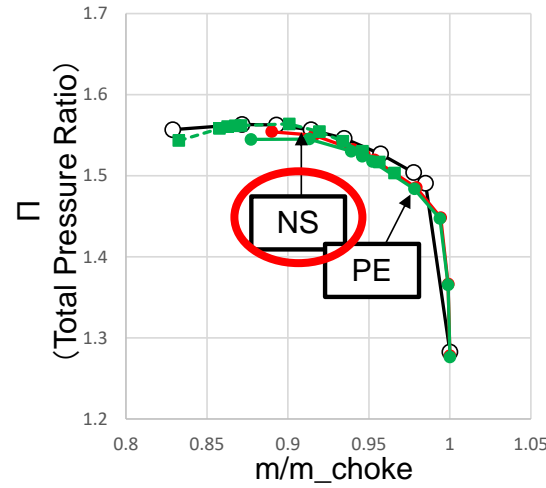
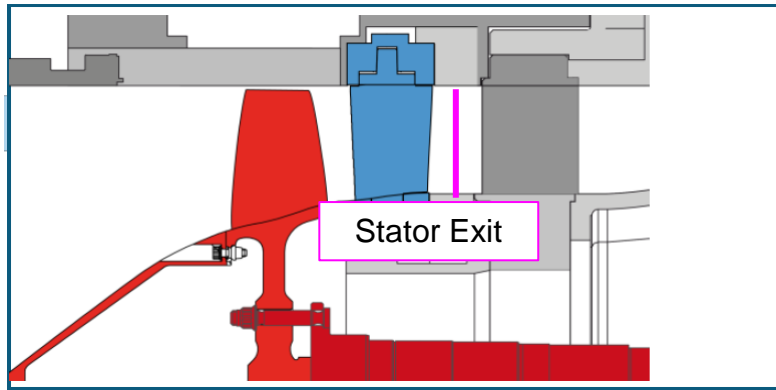
- Total pressure distribution near shroud show good agreement, however, overshoot can be observed near hub.
- Total pressure distribution is reasonable for all CFD cases.



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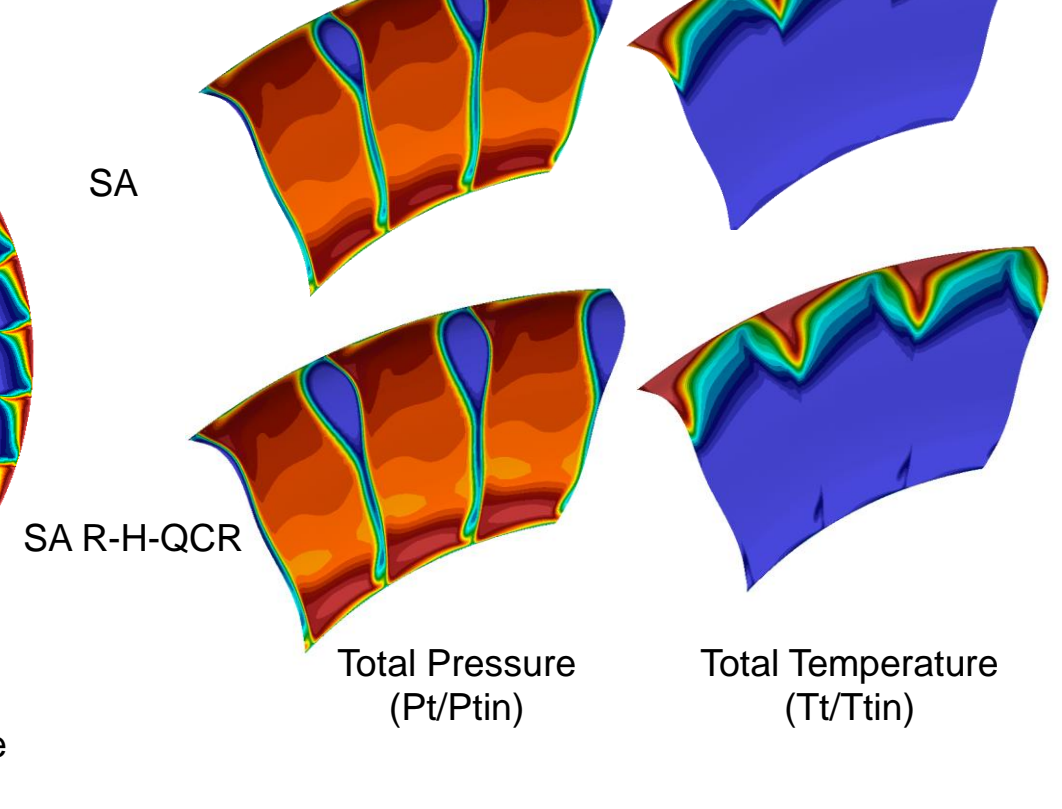
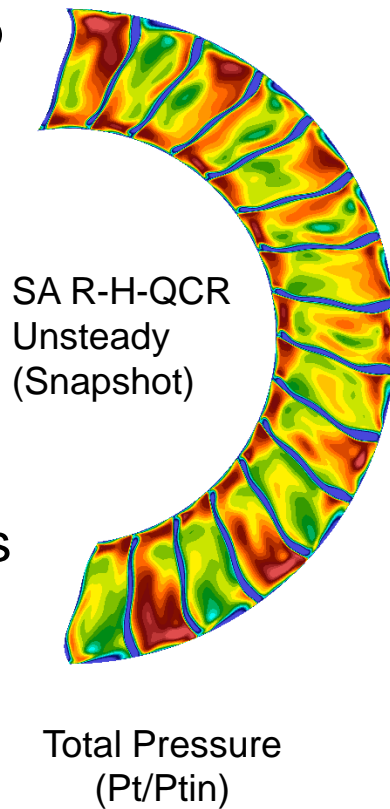


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Total pressure drop due to separation can be observed near shroud.

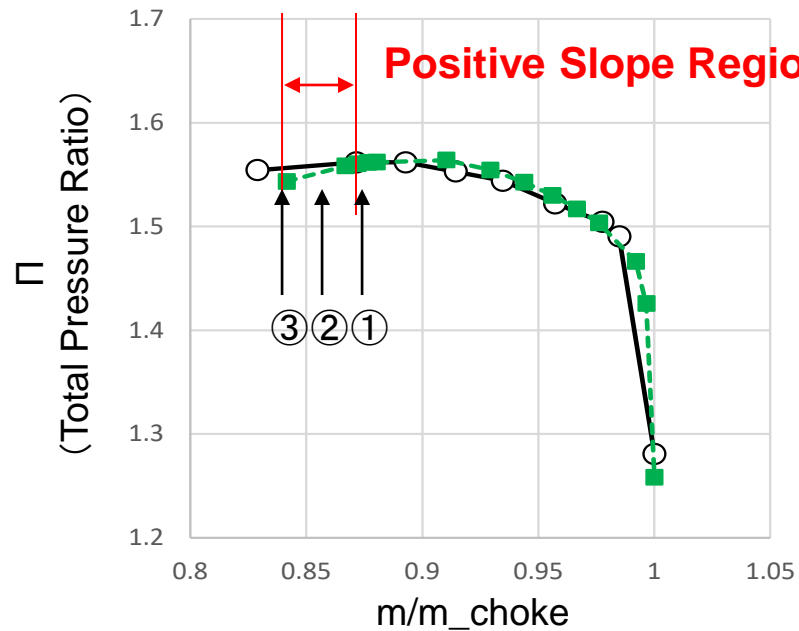
- Unsteady case show smaller separation region.
- Snapshot shows circumferential total pressure disturbance.



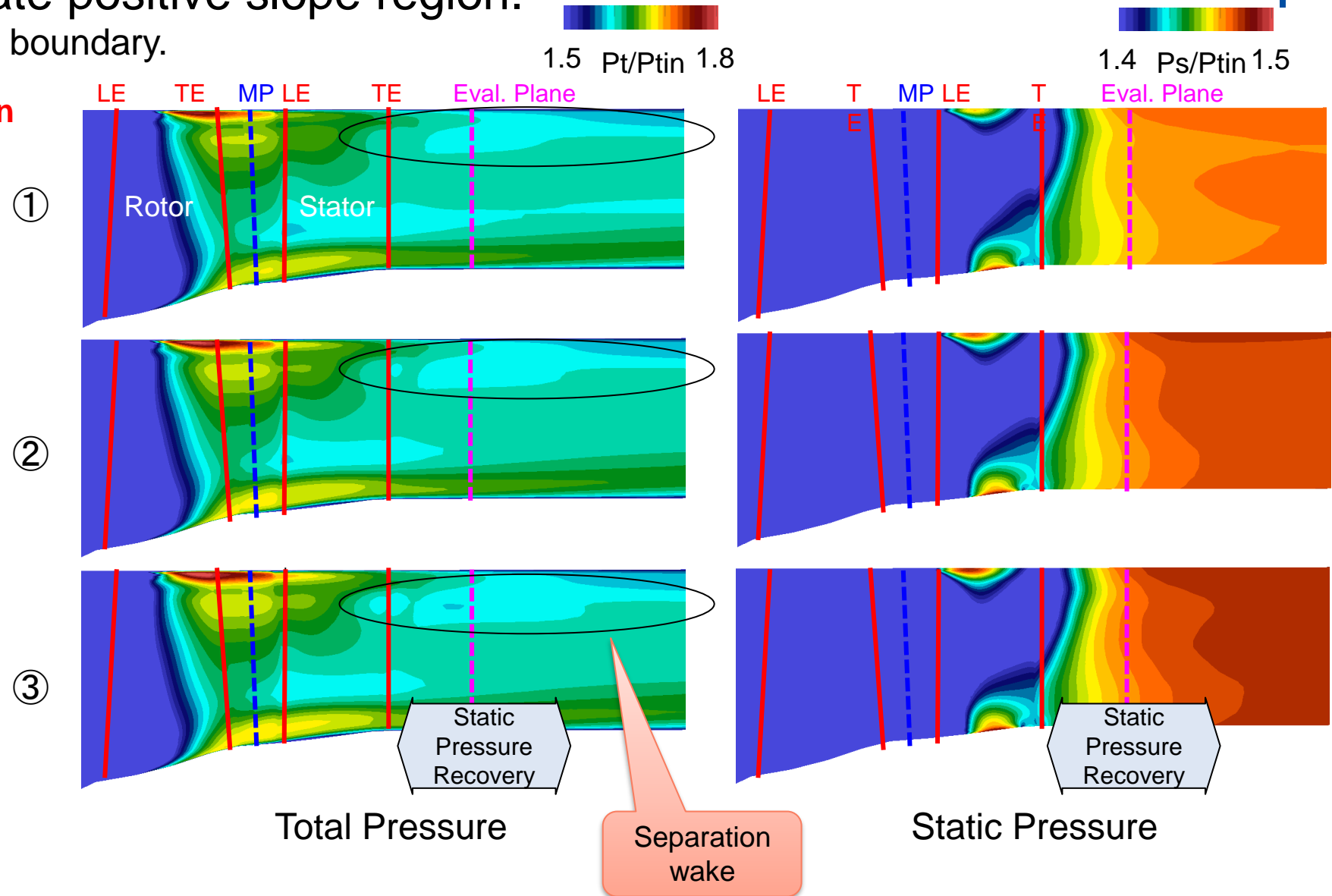
# Unsteady CFD result at positive slope

Unsteady CFD could calculate positive slope region.

Static pressure was applied at outlet boundary.



- Separation region works as “diffuser passage”.
- Static pressure recovery occurs near stator trailing edge as mass flow is reduced (①to③).



# Summary

**SA, SA-R-H-QCR2000 and Unsteady SA-R-H-QCR2000 were compared.**

- Stall flowrate of modified SA (SA-R-H-QCR) show slightly smaller than that of SA.
- Unsteady CFD can calculate smaller flowrate than steady CFD.
  - This is caused by diffuser passage generation at stator exit.
- Spanwise distribution also shows good agreement with unsteady CFD except for total pressure overshoot near hub.

## Still remaining questions

- Unsteady CFD result was fine, however, it has not yet been validated whether unsteady phenomena can be reproduced or not.
- Presently, outlet strut was not considered. Impact of outlet strut must be carried out.

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