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I. Introduction

In this lab, we meticulously compare the vortex panel method with thin airfoil theory and experimental NACA data. We focus on how airfoil thickness and camber influence the zero-lift angle of attack and sectional lift coefficient. Additionally, we analyze the wing performance of a Cessna 150 using Prandtl Lifting Line Theory and the vortex panel method. We aim to gain insights into aerodynamic behavior for improved aircraft design and performance optimization.

II. Methodology

In order to analyze airfoils via the vortex panel method for questions 1-3, a MATLAB function was developed that could output the x and y coordinates of the airfoil surface given the inputs of the NACA airfoil naming parameters maximum camber (m), location of maximum camber (p), and thickness (t), as well as the chord length (c) and the number of desired panels to use in the vortex panel method. This function calculates the thickness distribution from the mean camber line via the equation:

$$y_t = \frac{t}{0.2} c \left[0.2969 \sqrt{\frac{x}{c}} - 0.1260 \left(\frac{x}{c} \right) - 0.3516 \left(\frac{x}{c} \right)^2 + 0.2843 \left(\frac{x}{c} \right)^3 - 0.1026 \left(\frac{x}{c} \right)^4 \right]$$

as well as the formula for the mean camber line via the equation:

$$y_c = \begin{cases} m \frac{x}{p^2} (2p - \frac{x}{c}) & 0 \leq x < pc \\ m \frac{c-x}{(1-p)^2} (1 + \frac{x}{c} - 2p) & pc \leq x \leq c \end{cases}$$

The coordinates from these equations for the upper (x_U and y_U) and the lower (x_L and y_L) can then be determined from:

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= \arctan \frac{dy_c}{dx} \\ x_U &= x - y_t \sin \xi \\ x_L &= x + y_t \sin \xi \\ y_U &= y_c + y_t \cos \xi \\ y_L &= y_c - y_t \cos \xi \end{aligned}$$

Which can then be concatenated as $[x_L x_U]$ and $[y_L y_U]$ to receive the x and y coordinates of the whole airfoil surface. The x and y coordinate outputs could then be used in the vortex panel method function provided by Kuethe and Chow from their textbook [1]. These results are then compared to experimental data from Abbot and Doenhoff's collection of NACA data [2] as well as thin airfoil theory.

For questions 4 and 5, another MATLAB function had to be developed that could output the span efficiency factor, and coefficients of lift and induced drag given the wing span, number of odd terms included in the summation series (N), as well as root and tip lift slopes, zero-lift angles of attack, geometric angles of attack, and chord lengths. It also linearly interpolates the values between the root and tip of the wing, so it assumes the wing is trapezoidal in shape. This function utilizes Prandtl Lifting Line Theory in order to achieve these goals:

$$\alpha(\theta) = \frac{4b}{\alpha_0(\theta)c(\theta)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \sin n\theta + \alpha_{L=0}(\theta) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} nA_n \frac{\sin n\theta}{\sin \theta}$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_i &= \frac{i\pi}{2N} \\ i &= 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

and truncating the even terms such that:

$$\Gamma(\theta) = 2bV_{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^N A_{(2j-1)} \sin((2j-1)\theta)$$

III. Results

A. Problem 1: Computation of the Lift Generated by a Thick Symmetric Airfoil

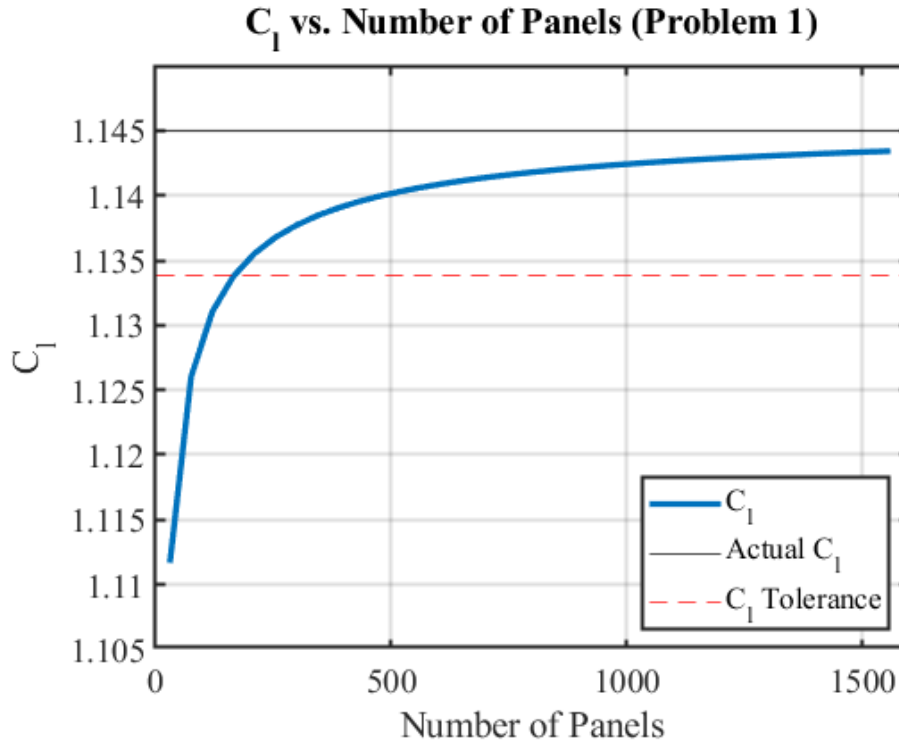


Fig. 1 Sectional Lift Coefficient Convergence

Problem 1 aims to determine the number of panels to accurately predict the sectional lift coefficient of a NACA 0006 airfoil at $\alpha = 10^\circ$ within 1% error. In order to find the actual sectional lift coefficient, the NACA Airfoil function developed was ran with 5000 panels, which had an output $c_l = 1.145$. In order to determine the minimum number of panels needed to achieve a result within 1% of this, an if statement nested inside of a for loop ran the NACA Airfoils function, increasing the number of panels 45 at a time until the error between the calculated value with that number of panels was less than 1% of the actual value recorded at 5000 panels. The result came out to be 165 panels can accurately predict the sectional lift coefficient to be 1.137 for a NACA 0006 airfoil at $\alpha = 10^\circ$. The results for this test can be seen in Figure 1.

B. Problem 2: Study of the Effect of Airfoil Thickness on Lift

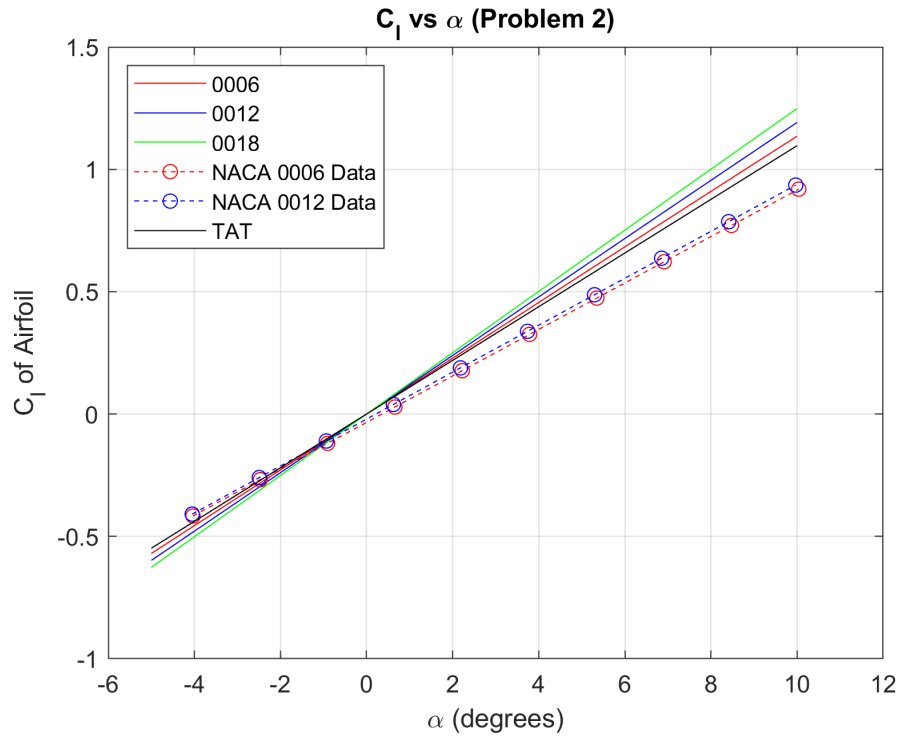


Fig. 2 Sectional Lift Coefficient vs Angle of Attack for Symmetric Airfoils with Varying Thickness

The second problem states to determine the effect of airfoil thickness on the sectional lift coefficient and compare it to thin airfoil theory and experimental NACA data. The three airfoils analyzed in this problem were NACA 0006 (thin airfoil), NACA 0012 (moderately thick airfoil), and NACA 0018 (thick airfoil), however the data for the NACA 0018 airfoil was not included in Abbot and Doenhoff's collection of NACA data, so only the NACA 0006 and NACA 0012 experimental data was compared. The NACA 0006 airfoil, the analytical results yielded $\alpha_{L=0} = 0^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.113, the NACA 0012 yielded the same $\alpha_{L=0}$ and a lift slope of 0.119, and the NACA 0018 also yielded the same $\alpha_{L=0}$ and a lift slope of 0.125. Thin airfoil theory says that for a symmetric airfoil, $\alpha_{L=0} = 0$ and a lift slope of 0.109. Experimental NACA results yield a $\alpha_{L=0} = 0$ for the NACA 0006 and NACA 0012 airfoils as well as lift slopes of 0.0834 and 0.0957 respectively. Please note that the experimental data was pulled off of the chart visually using a web plot digitizer and is subjected to larger error, as the lift slopes for all of the following airfoils is known to be 2π . The collective results are tabulated below in Tables 1-3 and can be seen in Figure 2.

Table 1 Effect of Thickness on Lift Results NACA 0006

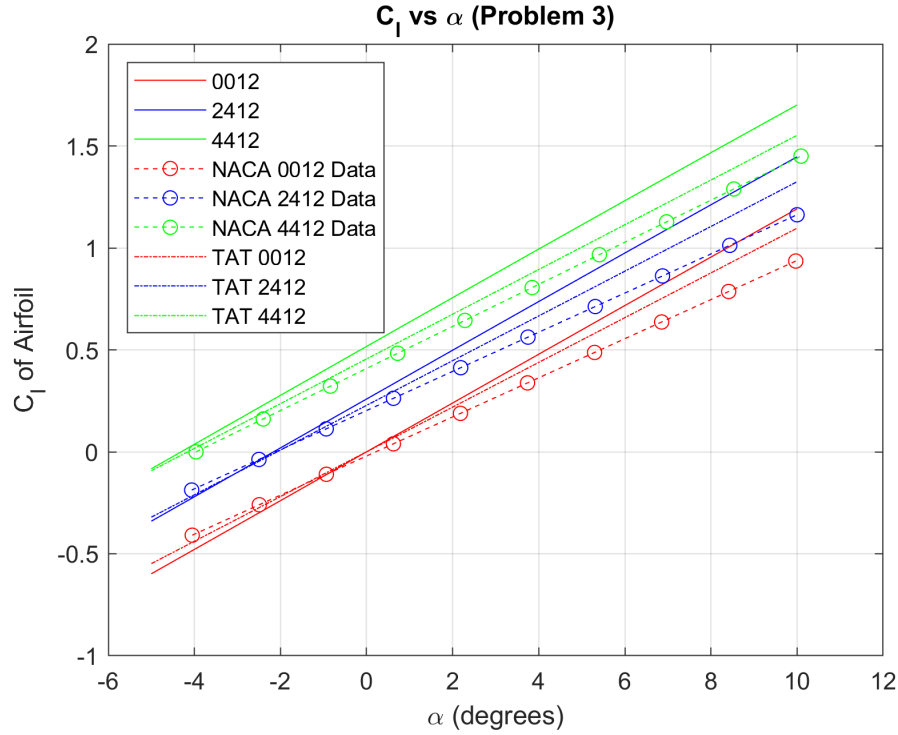
	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	0	0	0
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	4.778	6.474	6.245

Table 2 Effect of Thickness on Lift Results NACA 0012

	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	0	0	0
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	5.48	6.818	6.245

Table 3 Effect of Thickness on Lift Results NACA 0018

	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	–	0	0
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	–	7.162	6.245

C. Problem 3: Study of the Effect of Airfoil Camber on Lift**Fig. 3 Sectional Lift Coefficient vs Angle of Attack for Airfoils with Varying Camber**

Problem 3 seeks to establish the effect of camber on the sectional lift coefficient of airfoils with the same thickness and compare it to experimental results and thin airfoil theory of cambered airfoils. In this section, the airfoils being analyzed and compared are the NACA 0012 (no camber), NACA 2412 (moderately cambered), and NACA 4412 (highly cambered) airfoils. The methodology is largely the same as problem 2, however, the zero-lift angle of attack for cambered airfoils is no longer zero, but is determined by the equation:

$$\alpha_{L=0} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{dy_c}{dx} (1 - \cos \theta) d\theta$$

The derivation of $\frac{dy_c}{dx}$ can be found in Appendix A. The results for this derivation were combined with the equation above and utilized within MATLAB to integrate over the wingspan and determine the zero-lift angles of attack for each cambered airfoil. The results for the NACA 0012 airfoil and the thin airfoil theory corresponding to it are the same as in problem 2. For the NACA 2412 airfoil, the analytical data gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -2.12^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.119, the experimental data gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -2^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.096, and the thin airfoil theory gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -2.07^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.109. For the NACA 4412 airfoil, the analytical data gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -4.24^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.118, the experimental data gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -4^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.091, and the thin airfoil theory gave $\alpha_{L=0} = -4.15^\circ$ and a lift slope of 0.109. Please note that the experimental data was pulled off visually using a web plot digitizer and is subjected to larger error, as the lift slopes for all of the following airfoils is known to be 2π . The results from each airfoil are tabulated in Tables 4-6 below and can be seen in Figure 3.

Table 4 Effect of Camber on Lift Results NACA 0012

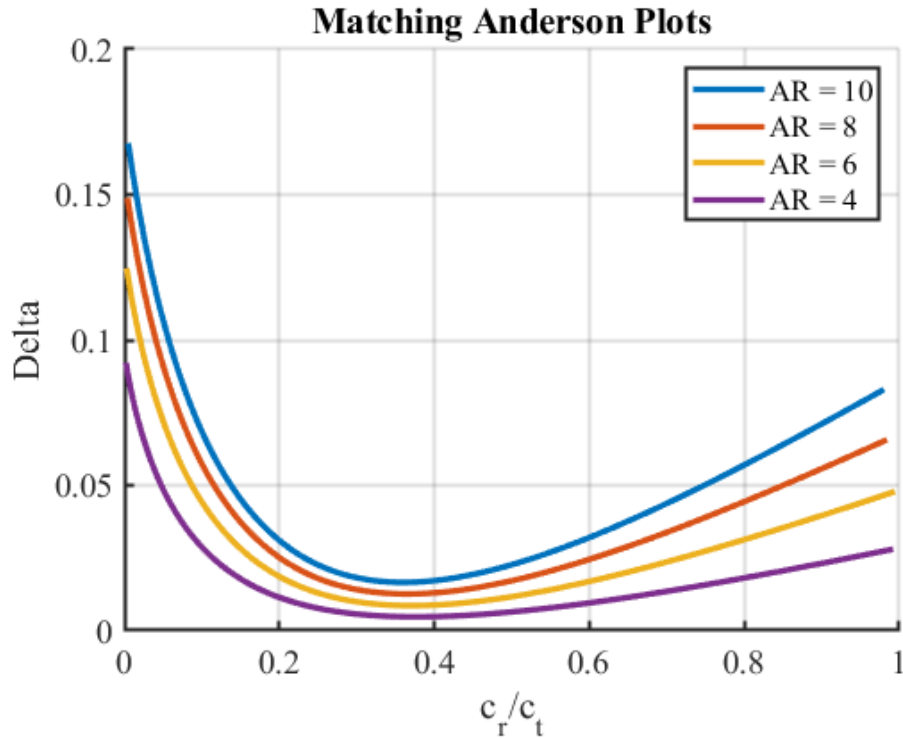
	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	0	0	0
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	5.48	6.818	6.245

Table 5 Effect of Camber on Lift Results NACA 2412

	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	-2	-2.12	-2.07
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	5.500	6.818	6.245

Table 6 Effect of Camber on Lift Results NACA 4412

	Experimental	Analytical	Thin Airfoil Theory
$\alpha_{L=0}$ [degrees]	-4.24	-4	-4.15
Lift Slope [$\frac{1}{rad}$]	5.214	6.818	6.245

D. Problem 4: Prandtl Lifting Line Theory**Fig. 4 Recreation of Plot from Anderson of δ vs Taper Ratio for Various Aspect Ratios**

Problem 4 is the development and testing of the Prandtl Lifting Line Theory (PLLT) outlined in the Methodology section above. After the MATLAB function is developed, it is proven to work by redeveloping Figure 5.20 from Anderson' Fundamentals of Aerodynamics [3], which is shown in Figure 4.

E. Problem 5: Analysis of Approximate Cessna 150 Wing Performance

The fifth problem is actually using the PLLT code in order to analyze the aerodynamic efficiency of a Cessna 150. It is given that the wing has a wingspan of 32 ft 8 in, a root chord of 5ft 2 in with a NACA 2412 airfoil, and a tip chord of 3 ft 10 with a NACA 0012 airfoil. The PPLT function is then able to linearly interpolate any necessary values along the wingspan. The Cessna 150 is modeled to be flying at 85 knots at 10,000 ft altitude with an angle of attack of 4° , and a geometric twist such that it varies between 1° at the root and 0° at the tip. It is assume to be flying in standard atmosphere conditions. The first section of problem 5 asks for the number of odd terms in the series expansion for circulation to achieve lift and induced drag within 10%, 1%, and 0.1% error. To achieve the converged value for lift and induced drag, a value for 1000 odd terms was used in the PLLT function, which yielded $L = 1,363/lb_f$ and $D_i = 31/lb_f$. The number of odd terms for lift and induce drag to achieve 10%, 1%, and 0.1% error can be seen in Figures 5 and 6 as well as Table 7.

Table 7 Number of Odd Terms for Lift and Induced Drag to Converge for Various Percent Errors

Percent Error	Lift – Number of Odd Terms	Induced Drag – Number of Odd Terms
10%	2	2
1%	5	6
0.1%	15	19

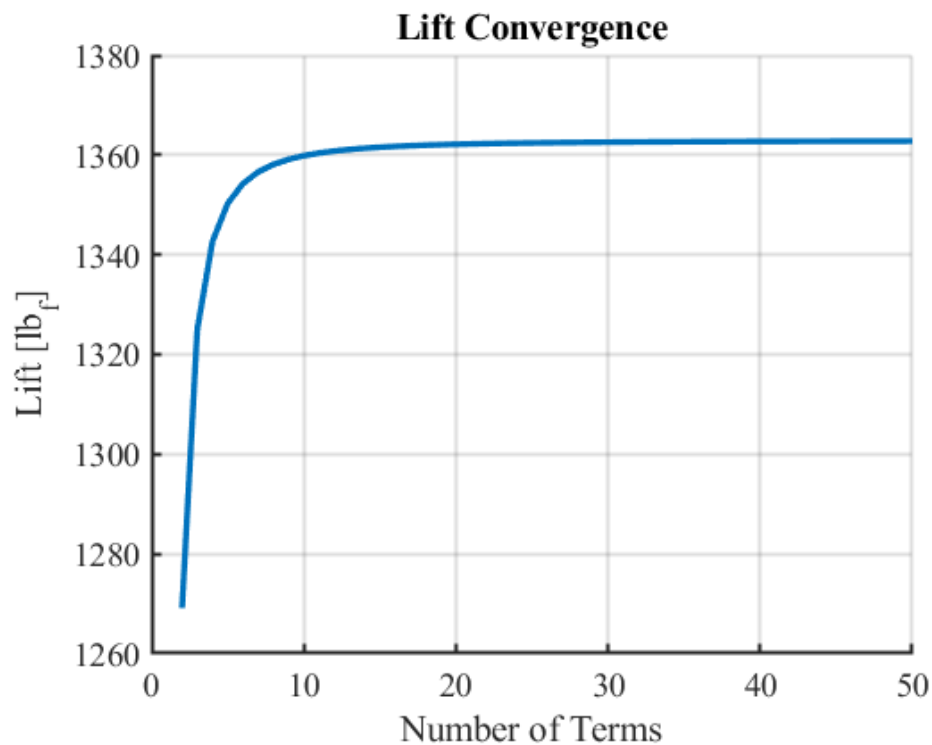


Fig. 5 Convergence of Coefficient of Lift

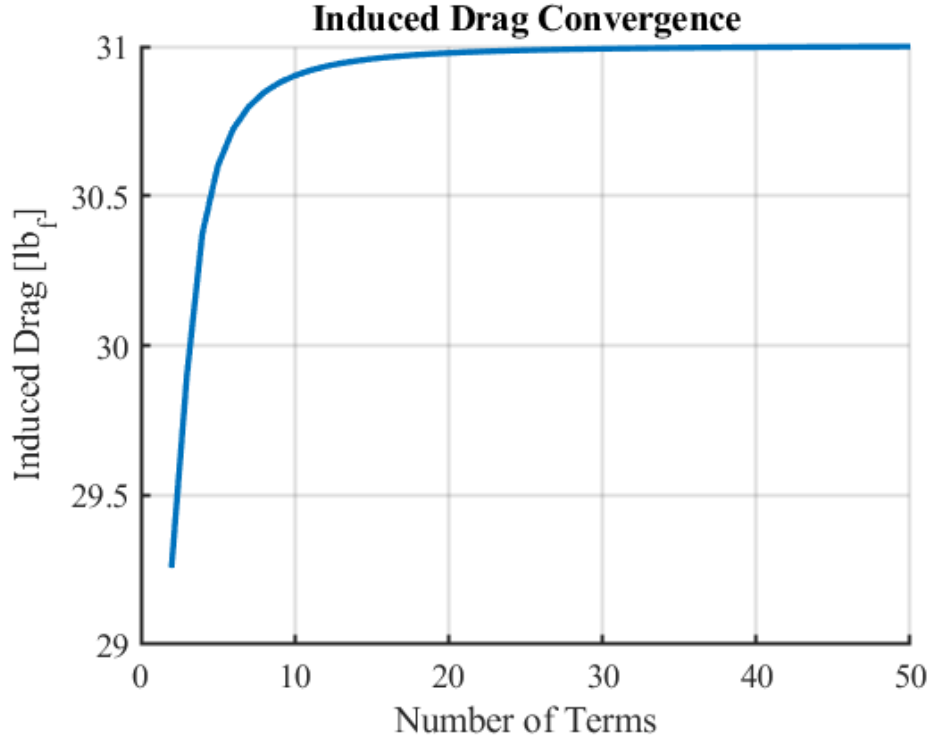


Fig. 6 Convergence of Coefficient of Induced Drag

The second part of problem 5 asks for the aerodynamic efficiency of the wing by giving the Lift-to-Drag ratio ($\frac{L}{D}$). In order to do this, the fact that the vortex panel method assumes inviscid flow must be address and corrected. In order to do this, the NACA charts from Abbot and Von Doenhoff were utilized once again to estimate c_d , the sectional drag coefficient. This was done by calculating the Reynolds Number of the given flight conditions, which comes out to be 3.2×10^6 . This value is very close to one of the recorded values on the NACA chart of 3.0×10^6 , so the data corresponding to that Reynolds Number was used. The value was read off of both the NACA 0012 and NACA 2412 charts and averaged between the two. Using a web digitizer, for a NACA 0012, $c_d = 0.006$ and for a NACA 2412, $c_d = 0.0065$, with an average $c_d = 0.00625$. The new coefficient of drag is now:

$$C_D = C_{Di} + c_d$$

Now, the Lift-to-Drag ratio was properly calculated using the highest number of panels that yielded a percent error of 0.1%. The Lift-to-Drag ratio then came out to be 28.61, meaning at the current flying conditions of the Cessna 150, the is 28.61x more lift and drag. The next step was then to provide a plot of how $\frac{L}{D}$ changes with angle of attack. In order to do this, a vector of the sectional drag coefficient had to be developed in order to have it change for the different sectional lift coefficients. To do this, three separate points were taken from the NACA charts using a web digitizer and then in MATLAB, a quadratic line was fit to those points. The average was then taken between the root and tip sectional drag coefficients for each point. This new vector was added to the induced drag vector and in order to get the total drag coefficient. For there, $\frac{L}{D}$ was calculated for a range of angles of attack and plotted. This plot can be seen in Figure 7.

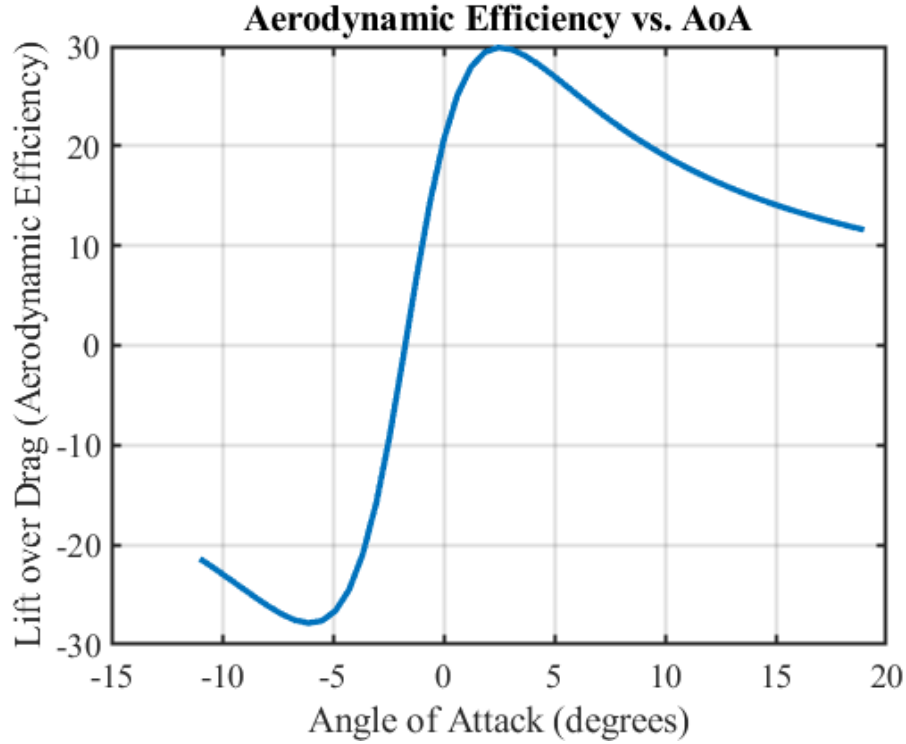


Fig. 7 Lift-to-Drag Ratio vs Angle of Attack

IV. Discussion

A. Problem 2: Study of the Effect of Airfoil Thickness on Lift

Zero-lift angle of attack is unaffected by airfoil thickness. This is to be expected, because in order to change $\alpha_{L=0}$ we need to induce lift at zero angle of attack. This requires a pressure difference between the upper and lower portions of the airfoil at $\alpha = 0$. Increasing thickness changes the profile of the top and bottom of the airfoil identically, and thus there is no pressure difference created on an uncambered airfoil regardless of thickness.

As we increase wing thickness, sectional lift slope a_0 increases. A thicker airfoil will have a greater arc-length along the airfoil, and as a result the air will need to travel faster along this section to satisfy continuity. This greater velocity causes a greater pressure difference between the upper and lower parts of the wing. This causes a greater lift force (and thus C_l) for the high-thickness airfoil at a given angle of attack, thus a higher a_0 .

The assumption of thin airfoil theory is most accurate for an infinitely thin airfoil, and its validity diminishes as thickness increases. As such, the thinnest airfoil (NACA 0006) is the most accurate with thin airfoil theory. The intermediate-thickness NACA 0012 is less accurate, and the very thick NACA 0018 is the least accurate. This can be seen visually in Figure 2. The thinnest airfoil (NACA 0006) has the closest a_0 to thin airfoil theory, and the thickest airfoil (NACA 0018) has the furthest prediction from thin airfoil theory. This supports the conclusion that as thickness increases, thin airfoil theory becomes less accurate.

Thin airfoil theory is closer to the experimental data than the vortex panel method. This may seem counter-intuitive at first, but inspection of the innate assumptions in both methods explains this. Both the vortex panel method and thin airfoil theory rely on the assumption of inviscid flow. The experimental data has viscous effects, and consequently the lift slope is less than both of our theoretical results. Let's consider the main assumption that separates thin airfoil theory from the vortex panel method. Thin airfoil theory assumes an infinitely thin airfoil, while vortex panel method accounts for thickness. We concluded above that lift slope increases with increasing thickness. As such, thin airfoil theory provides us with a shallower lift slope than any of the vortex panel method. The decrease in a_0 due to the thickness assumption in thin airfoil theory slightly accounts for the viscous effects experienced in real life, and as such is a closer approximation than the vortex panel method. Note that this only holds for airfoils that are reasonably thin, as thin airfoil

data breaks down and becomes nonsensical for sufficiently thick airfoils.

The experimental data from NACA was gathered at specific Reynolds numbers. Recall the definition of the Reynolds number, which is the ratio of momentum forces to viscous forces $Re = \frac{\rho V L}{\mu}$. Both of our experimental methods assumed inviscid flow, which gives us an effectively infinite Reynolds number.

It is clear from Figure 2 that both thin airfoil theory and the vortex panel method are overestimates of the experimental value. This is to be expected because they are both idealized models which neglect effects like viscosity that would reduce lift in practice. This is evident in our Reynolds number, which is infinite. This physically means that the effect of momentum forces are infinitely more prevalent than viscous forces, which we know not to be true. We also assume small angles, and at $\alpha = 10^\circ$ this assumption is reasonable, but still a source for error.

B. Problem 3: Study of the Effect of Airfoil Camber on Lift

Contrary to thickness, camber affects $\alpha_{L=0}$ but does not affect lift slope, a_0 . Camber affects $\alpha_{L=0}$ because it changes the shape of the upper and lower surfaces of the airfoil such that it is asymmetric at $\alpha = 0$. Since there is asymmetry at $\alpha = 0$, there must be a pressure difference and therefore $L \neq 0$ at $\alpha = 0$. If there is nonzero lift at $\alpha = 0$, then $\alpha_{L=0} \neq 0$, differing from the uncambered airfoils in part 2.

Camber is known to shift where $\alpha_{L=0}$ lies without having an effect on lift slope. Camber effectively changes the angle at which a certain pressure differential exists between the top and bottom surfaces of the airfoil. However, it has no effect on how much lift changes with respect to angle of attack. When we change the angle of attack of an airfoil, we are changing the pressure differential between the upper and lower surfaces. The rate at which this pressure difference changes with angle of attack is unaffected by camber. Camber can change at what angle a certain pressure difference occurs (and thus a certain value of C_l occurs), but it can not change how quickly lift increases with angle of attack (i.e. it can not change the slope of C_l w.r.t α).

Since all three airfoils have the same thickness, the thin airfoil assumption applies equally well to all of them. We concluded above that the validity of thin airfoil theory relies solely on thickness, not on camber. All three of these airfoils have the same thickness and thus are as accurate as each other.

As discussed in part 2, thin airfoil theory has a closer lift slope to the experimental data due to the inviscid flow assumption. Both the vortex panel method and thin airfoil theory assume inviscid flow, meaning that they will over-predict lift compared to experimental values. Since we don't account for thickness in thin airfoil theory but we do in vortex panel method, then the vortex panel method will predict greater lift than thin airfoil theory. This under-prediction of lift from thickness accounts for some of the over-prediction from inviscid flow. As such, thin airfoil theory is closer to the experimental results.

As in problem 2, we assume inviscid flow such that $\mu = 0$. This provides us with an infinitely large Reynolds number.

A source of error is that we assume inviscid flow, when that is not the case in reality. We also assume small angles of attack. At $\alpha = 10^\circ$ this assumption is not detrimental but still takes away from the accuracy of our results.

C. Problem 4: Prandtl Lifting Line Code

Since we are analyzing steady flight, the lift distribution must be symmetrical on both wings to ensure the aircraft is flying in a straight line. Consider the sinusoidal waves that make up the terms of our infinite series. The even terms will span N full periods (where N is the term number A_N), which results in zero net contribution. This is because for any positive contribution, there is an equal and opposite value in the negative direction that cancels any net circulation. The odd terms will make $2N - 1$ full periods, plus a half period. As a result, there is always a component that is not canceled out and contributes to our net circulation. A visualization of this can be seen in Figure 8.

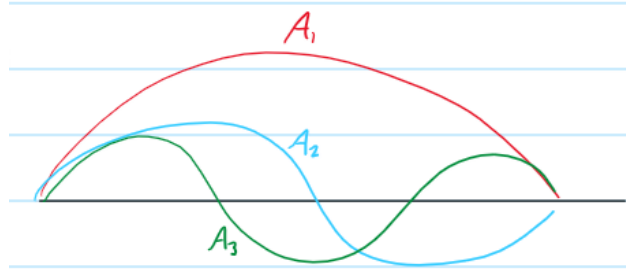


Fig. 8 Visualization of Contributions from Fourier Coefficients

A scenario in which we would include even and odd Fourier coefficients is when the aircraft has uneven loading on its wings, like a plane making a banked turn. The wing angled into the turn will have less lift than the wing on the outside of the turn. In this flight regime the even Fourier terms would not cancel themselves, and we would need to include them. We know that the most efficient wing geometry is an ellipse, and δ is a measure of how close a wing geometry is to reaching elliptical efficiency. The smaller the δ , the closer we are to approaching elliptical efficiency. Figure 4 shows that δ is minimized at $c_r/c_t \approx 0.35$. This implies that the most efficient geometry we examined has a taper ratio near 0.3 – 0.4. This taper ratio minimizes δ for each aspect ratio we tested. However, it is also notable that a lower aspect ratio produces a smaller δ . As such, the condition we would design towards would be a taper ratio of 0.3 – 0.4 and as small of an aspect ratio as we can manage.

D. Problem 5: Analysis of Approximate Cessna 150 Wing Performance

To make the wing more efficient, the ratio of lift to drag must increase. One method to increase aerodynamic efficiency would be to increase the aspect ratio of the wing. This causes the wing to lengthen and thin out, which may cause structural concerns. Despite this, the effects of increasing AR greatly aid in increasing aerodynamic efficiency, mainly through the reduction of induced drag. As the aspect ratio increases, the effect of the wingtip vortices is reduced because of the wing's geometry (long and thin). Reducing induced drag decreases the overall drag of the aircraft, which increases the L/D ratio. A very similar effect is seen when a geometric twist is added to the wing. By twisting the tip lower than the root, you decrease the angle of attack seen by the wing as you move away from the fuselage of the aircraft. Decreasing the angle of attack also decreases the coefficient of lift, and since induced drag is proportional to C_L^2 , decreasing the lift at the tips greatly diminishes induced drag. Despite reducing the lift acting on the wing, the aerodynamic efficiency still increases because the overall drag decreases more than the lift. The root bending moment is also affected in a very similar sense. Since the root moment is greatly impacted by the forces acting farther away from the fuselage, any decrease in these forces aids in the reduction of moments at the root. Therefore, the root moment is decreased due to twisting the wing tip lower than the root.

V. Conclusions

In this lab we used the vortex panel method and thin airfoil theory to model the lift and drag of standard NACA airfoils. We analyzed the effect of thickness and camber on airfoil properties. Results showed that camber solely affects $\alpha_{L=0}$, and thickness solely affects a_0 . After finding the results (C_L and $C_{D,i}$) from both methods, we compared to experimental data from NACA. We found that both of our models over-predicted lift and concluded that it is primarily due to viscous effects in the real system. We then created a function to employ Prandtl's Lifting Line Theory, and used it to analyze a Cessna 150. We calculated C_L and $C_{D,i}$, and used skin-friction drag C_D from NACA charts to calculate total drag. We then calculated aerodynamic efficiency, $\frac{L}{D}$, as a function of angle of attack and found that our peak aerodynamic efficiency is at $\alpha \approx 2.5^\circ$.

VI. Appendices

A. Appendix A: Derivation(s)

1. Cambered Thin Airfoil Theory Derivation

Cambered Thin Airfoil Derivation

$$x = \frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$z_c = \begin{cases} \frac{mx}{p^2} \left(2p - \frac{x}{c}\right) & 0 \leq x < pc \\ m \frac{c-x}{(1-p)^2} \left(1 + \frac{x}{c} - 2p\right) & pc \leq x \leq c \end{cases}$$

evaluating B.C.s

$x=0 \rightarrow \theta=0$
 $x=c \rightarrow \theta=\pi$
 $x=pc \rightarrow pc = \frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)$
 $\theta = \cos^{-1}(1 - 2p)$

Upper part of piecewise:

$$z_{c1} = \frac{2mxp}{p^2} - \frac{mx^2}{cp^2}$$

$$= \frac{2mx}{p} - \frac{mx^2}{cp^2}$$

$$\frac{dz_{c1}}{dx} = \frac{2m}{p} - \frac{2mx}{cp^2}$$

plug in $x = \frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)$

$$= \frac{2m}{p} - \frac{2m \frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)}{cp^2}$$

$$= \frac{2m}{p} - \frac{m - m\cos\theta}{p^2}$$

$$= \frac{2mp^2 - pm + pm\cos\theta}{p^3}$$

$$= \frac{2mp - m + m\cos\theta}{p^2}$$

$$= \frac{m(2p - 1 + \cos\theta)}{p^2}$$

Lower part of piecewise:

$$z_{c2} = \frac{m(c-x)}{(1-p)^2} + \frac{x}{c} \frac{m(c-x)}{(1-p)^2} - 2p \frac{m(c-x)}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$= \frac{mc - mx}{(1-p)^2} + \frac{mx - mx^2}{c(1-p)^2} - \frac{2pmc + 2pmx}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$\frac{dz_{c2}}{dx} = \frac{-m}{(1-p)^2} + \frac{m}{(1-p)^2} - \frac{2mx}{c(1-p)^2} + \frac{2pm}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-2mx(1-p)^2 + 2cpm(1-p)^2}{c(1-p)^4}$$

$$= \frac{-2mx + 2cpm}{c(1-p)^2}$$

plug in $x = \frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta)$

$$= \frac{-2m \left[\frac{c}{2}(1 - \cos\theta) \right] + 2cpm}{c(1-p)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-m + m\cos\theta + 2pm}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$= \frac{m(2p - 1 + \cos\theta)}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$\frac{dz_c}{dx} = \begin{cases} \frac{m(2p - 1 + \cos\theta)}{p^2} & 0 \leq \theta < \cos^{-1}(1 - 2p) \\ \frac{m(2p - 1 + \cos\theta)}{(1-p)^2} & \cos^{-1}(1 - 2p) \leq \theta \leq \pi \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_{L=0} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{dz_c}{dx} (1 - \cos\theta) d\theta$$

Plug into MATLAB

Fig. 9

B. Appendix B: References

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C. Appendix C: Code

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1 %% HK
2 clc;
3 close all;
4 clear;
5
6 %% Code
7
8 alpha_0006 = 10; % degrees
9
10 [m_0006, p_0006, t_0006] = NACAdata('0006');
11 [m_0012, p_0012, t_0012] = NACAdata('0012');
12 [m_0018, p_0018, t_0018] = NACAdata('0018');
13 [m_2412, p_2412, t_2412] = NACAdata('2412');
14 [m_4412, p_4412, t_4412] = NACAdata('4412');
15
16 N = 30:45:1575; % Iteration number -- 1575 used in report image
17 c = 1;
18 allow = 0.01;
19 error = 1;
20 c_l_0006_actual = 1.145; % Number retrieved when we input N=5000 --> we assume this is the
    asymptotic c_l
21 cl_tolerance = 0;
22 c_l_0006 = ones(1,length(N));
23 TAT_slope = 2*pi^2 / 180;
24
25 for i=1:length(N)
26
27 [x_b_0006, y_b_0006] = NACA_Airfoils(m_0006,p_0006,t_0006,c,N(i)); % Finding x and y of airfoil
    for a given # of Panels (Problem 1)
28 [c_l_0006(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_0006,y_b_0006,alpha_0006); % Finding Cl given certain array
    of panels
29
30 error = 1 - (c_l_0006(i) / c_l_0006_actual);
31
32 if(error < allow) && cl_tolerance == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
33     cl_tolerance = c_l_0006(i); % taking the values of n and cl that give us
        tolerable error
34     n_tolerance = N(i);
35 end
36
37 end
38
39 alpha_vary = linspace(-5,10,100); % varying alpha for problem 2 and 3
40 c_l_0006_2 = ones(1,length(alpha_vary));
41 c_l_0012 = ones(1,length(alpha_vary));
42 c_l_0018 = ones(1,length(alpha_vary)); % Preallocating for speed
43 c_l_2412 = ones(1,length(alpha_vary));
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44 c_l_4412 = ones(1,length(alpha_vary));
45 TAT_y = zeros(1,length(alpha_vary));
46
47 for i=1:length(alpha_vary)
48
49 [x_b_0006_2, y_b_0006_2] = NACA_Airfoils(m_0006,p_0006,t_0006,c,n_tolerance); % Finding x and y of
    airfoil using pervious n panels (Problem 2)
50 [c_l_0006_2(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_0006_2,y_b_0006_2,alpha_vary(i)); % Finding Cl given
    certain alpha
51
52 [x_b_0012, y_b_0012] = NACA_Airfoils(m_0012,p_0012,t_0012,c,n_tolerance); % Finding x and y of
    airfoil using pervious n panels (Problem 2)
53 [c_l_0012(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_0012,y_b_0012,alpha_vary(i));
54
55 [x_b_0018, y_b_0018] = NACA_Airfoils(m_0018,p_0018,t_0018,c,n_tolerance); % Finding x and y of
    airfoil using pervious n panels (Problem 2)
56 [c_l_0018(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_0018,y_b_0018,alpha_vary(i));
57
58 [x_b_2412, y_b_2412] = NACA_Airfoils(m_2412,p_2412,t_2412,c,n_tolerance); % Finding x and y of
    airfoil using pervious n panels (Problem 3)
59 [c_l_2412(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_2412,y_b_2412,alpha_vary(i));
60
61 [x_b_4412, y_b_4412] = NACA_Airfoils(m_4412,p_4412,t_4412,c,n_tolerance); % Finding x and y of
    airfoil using pervious n panels (Problem 3)
62 [c_l_4412(i)] = Vortex_Panel(x_b_4412,y_b_4412,alpha_vary(i));
63
64 TAT_y(i) = TAT_slope * alpha_vary(i);
65
66 % Symmetric Airfoils (Problem 2 and 3)
67 if(abs(c_l_0006_2(i)) < 0.005)
68     alpha_L0_0006_2 = alpha_vary(i);
69 end
70
71 if(abs(c_l_0012(i)) < 0.005)
72     alpha_L0_0012 = alpha_vary(i); % finding zero lift angle of attack
73 end
74
75 if(abs(c_l_0018(i)) < 0.005)
76     alpha_L0_0018 = alpha_vary(i);
77 end
78 % Cambered airfoils (Problem 3)
79 if(abs(c_l_2412(i)) < 0.005)
80     alpha_L0_2412 = alpha_vary(i); % finding zero lift angle of attack
81 end
82
83 if(abs(c_l_4412(i)) < 0.01)
84     alpha_L0_4412 = alpha_vary(i);
85 end
86
87 end
88
89 % Lift Slops (Problems 2 and 3)
90 p_cl0006_2 = polyfit(alpha_vary,c_l_0006_2,1);
91 p_cl0012 = polyfit(alpha_vary,c_l_0012,1);
92 p_cl0018 = polyfit(alpha_vary,c_l_0018,1);
93 p_cl2412 = polyfit(alpha_vary,c_l_2412,1);
94 p_cl4412 = polyfit(alpha_vary,c_l_4412,1);
95 p_TAT = polyfit(alpha_vary,TAT_y,1);
96 a_0_0006 = p_cl0006_2(1);

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97 a_0_0012 = p_cl0012(1);
98 a_0_0018 = p_cl0018(1);
99 a_0_2412 = p_cl2412(1);
100 a_0_4412 = p_cl4412(1);
101 a_0_TAT = p_TAT(1);
102
103 a_0_0006_rad = a_0_0006 * 180/pi;
104 a_0_0012_rad = a_0_0012 * 180/pi;
105 a_0_0018_rad = a_0_0018 * 180/pi;
106 a_0_2412_rad = a_0_2412 * 180/pi;
107 a_0_4412_rad = a_0_4412 * 180/pi;
108
109 % alpha_L0_0006_2 = -p_cl0006_2(2) / p_cl0006_2(1);
110 % alpha_L0_0012 = -p_cl0012(2) / p_cl0012(1);
111 % alpha_L0_0018 = -p_cl0018(2) / p_cl0018(1); % Alternate method
112 % alpha_L0_2412 = -p_cl2412(2) / p_cl2412(1); % Uses polyfit
113 % alpha_L0_4412 = -p_cl4412(2) / p_cl4412(1);
114
115 alpha_L0_0006_2_rad = alpha_L0_0006_2 * pi/180;
116 alpha_L0_0012_rad = alpha_L0_0012 * pi/180;
117 alpha_L0_0018_rad = alpha_L0_0018 * pi/180;
118 alpha_L0_2412_rad = alpha_L0_2412 * pi/180;
119 alpha_L0_4412_rad = alpha_L0_4412 * pi/180;
120
121 % TAT For Cambered Airfoils
122 dzdx1_2412 = @(x) (m_2412 * (2*p_2412 - 1 + cos(x)))/p_2412^2;
123 dzdx2_2412 = @(x) (m_2412 * (2*p_2412 - 1 + cos(x)))/(1-p_2412)^2;
124 dzdx1_4412 = @(x) (m_4412 * (2*p_4412 - 1 + cos(x)))/p_4412^2;
125 dzdx2_4412 = @(x) (m_4412 * (2*p_4412 - 1 + cos(x)))/(1-p_4412)^2;
126
127 x_theta = @(x) (cos(x) - 1);
128
129 int1_2412 = @(x) dzdx1_2412(x).*x_theta(x);
130 int2_2412 = @(x) dzdx2_2412(x).*x_theta(x);
131 int1_4412 = @(x) dzdx1_4412(x).*x_theta(x);
132 int2_4412 = @(x) dzdx2_4412(x).*x_theta(x);
133
134 integ_2412 = integral(int1_2412,0,acos(1-2*p_2412)) + integral(int2_2412,acos(1-2*p_2412),pi);
135 integ_4412 = integral(int1_4412,0,acos(1-2*p_4412)) + integral(int2_4412,acos(1-2*p_4412),pi);
136
137 alpha_L0_TAT_2412 = -(1/pi) * integ_2412*(180/pi);
138 alpha_L0_TAT_4412 = -(1/pi) * integ_4412*(180/pi);
139
140 TAT_2412 = (2*pi^2)/180 * (alpha_vary - alpha_L0_TAT_2412);
141 TAT_4412 = (2*pi^2)/180 * (alpha_vary - alpha_L0_TAT_4412);
142
143 p_cl2412_TAT = polyfit(alpha_vary,TAT_2412,1);
144 p_cl4412_TAT = polyfit(alpha_vary,TAT_4412,1);
145
146 a_0_2412_TAT = p_cl2412_TAT(1);
147 a_0_4412_TAT = p_cl4412_TAT(1);
148
149 % Theory of Wings Sections from Abbot and von Doenhoff Data (TWS)
150 TWS_0006x = linspace(-4.033,10.04,10);
151 TWS_0006y = linspace(-0.4165,0.919,10);
152 TWS_0012x = linspace(-4.05,9.97,10);
153 TWS_0012y = linspace(-0.4089,0.9355,10);
154 TWS_2412x = linspace(-4.0625,10,10);
155 TWS_2412y = linspace(-0.1875,1.1625,10);

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156 TWS_4412x = linspace(-3.9626,10.093,10);
157 TWS_4412y = linspace(0,1.45,10);
158
159 % Problem 4 functions calls and variables
160 b=1;
161 a0_t = 2*pi;      % affects a0(theta)
162 a0_r = 2*pi;
163 c_t10 = 0.001;    % affects c(theta)
164 c_r10 = 0.199;
165 c_t8 = 0.001;     % affects c(theta)
166 c_r8 = 0.249;
167 c_t6 = 0.001;     % affects c(theta)
168 c_r6 = 0.332;
169 c_t4 = 0.001;     % affects c(theta)
170 c_r4 = 0.499;
171 aero_t = 0;       % affects a_L0(theta)
172 aero_r = 0;
173 geo_t = 4*pi/180; % affects a_geo(theta)
174 geo_r = 4*pi/180;
175 N2 = 50;
176
177 iterator10 = 1;
178 iterator8 = 1;
179 iterator6 = 1;
180 iterator4 = 1;
181
182 while(c_t10(iterator10)/c_r10(iterator10) <= 1)
183
184 [e,c_L,c_Di] = PLLT(b,a0_t,a0_r,c_t10(iterator10),c_r10(iterator10),aero_t,aero_r,geo_t,geo_r,N2);
185 delta10(iterator10) = (1/e) - 1;
186 c_t10(iterator10 + 1) = c_t10(iterator10) + 0.001;
187 c_r10(iterator10 + 1) = c_r10(iterator10) - 0.001;
188 iterator10 = iterator10 + 1;
189
190 end
191
192 while(c_t8(iterator8)/c_r8(iterator8) <= 1)
193
194 [e,c_L,c_Di] = PLLT(b,a0_t,a0_r,c_t8(iterator8),c_r8(iterator8),aero_t,aero_r,geo_t,geo_r,N2);
195 delta8(iterator8) = (1/e) - 1;
196 c_t8(iterator8 + 1) = c_t8(iterator8) + 0.001;
197 c_r8(iterator8 + 1) = c_r8(iterator8) - 0.001;
198 iterator8 = iterator8 + 1;
199
200 end
201
202 while(c_t6(iterator6)/c_r6(iterator6) <= 1)
203
204 [e,c_L,c_Di] = PLLT(b,a0_t,a0_r,c_t6(iterator6),c_r6(iterator6),aero_t,aero_r,geo_t,geo_r,N2);
205 delta6(iterator6) = (1/e) - 1;
206 c_t6(iterator6 + 1) = c_t6(iterator6) + 0.001;
207 c_r6(iterator6 + 1) = c_r6(iterator6) - 0.001;
208 iterator6 = iterator6 + 1;
209
210 end
211
212 while(c_t4(iterator4)/c_r4(iterator4) <= 1)
213
214 [e,c_L,c_Di] = PLLT(b,a0_t,a0_r,c_t4(iterator4),c_r4(iterator4),aero_t,aero_r,geo_t,geo_r,N2);

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215 delta4(iterator4) = (1/e) - 1;
216 c_t4(iterator4 + 1) = c_t4(iterator4) + 0.001;
217 c_r4(iterator4 + 1) = c_r4(iterator4) - 0.001;
218 iterator4 = iterator4 + 1;
219
220 end
221
222 ct_cr10 = c_t10(1:end-1) ./ c_r10(1:end-1);
223 ct_cr8 = c_t8(1:end-1) ./ c_r8(1:end-1); % Adjusting while loop vectors to match delta vec
224 ct_cr6 = c_t6(1:end-1) ./ c_r6(1:end-1);
225 ct_cr4 = c_t4(1:end-1) ./ c_r4(1:end-1);
226
227
228 % Problem 5
229 N3 = 2:50;
230 ct5 = 3 + 10/12; % tip chord [ft]
231 cr5 = 5 + 2/12; % root chord [ft]
232 b5 = 32 + 8/12; % wingspan [ft]
233 geo_r5 = 5 * pi/180; % geometric AoA root [rad]
234 geo_t5 = 4 * pi/180; % geometric AoA tip [rad]
235 a0_r5 = a_0_2412_rad; % a0 root
236 a0_t5 = a_0_0012_rad; % a0 tip
237 aero_r5 = alpha_L0_2412_rad; % a_L0 root
238 aero_t5 = alpha_L0_0012_rad; % a_L0 tip
239 S5 = 0.5 * (ct5 + cr5) * b5;
240 rho5 = 17.56E-4;
241 mu5 = 3.534E-7;
242 V5 = 85 * 1.68780986; % knots to ft/s
243 cl_tolerance_PLLT2 = 0;
244 cDi_tolerance_PLLT2 = 0;
245 cl_tolerance_PLLT3 = 0;
246 cDi_tolerance_PLLT3 = 0;
247 cl_tolerance_PLLT4 = 0;
248 cDi_tolerance_PLLT4 = 0;
249 cL_SS = 0.513066830173821; % c_L steady state = 0.513066830173821
250 cDi_SS = 0.011671104290211; % c_Di steady state = 0.011671104290211
251
252 % Desired percent errors
253 allow2 = 0.1;
254 allow3 = 0.01;
255 allow4 = 0.001;
256
257 % [e00,c_L5,c_Di5] = PLLT(b5,a0_t5,a0_r5,ct5,cr5,aero_t5,aero_r5,geo_t5,geo_r5,1000);
258
259 for i=1:length(N3)
260
261     [~,c_L5,c_Di5] = PLLT(b5,a0_t5,a0_r5,ct5,cr5,aero_t5,aero_r5,geo_t5,geo_r5,N3(i));
262
263     % percent error
264     error_cL = abs(cL_SS - c_L5) / cL_SS;
265     error_cDi = abs(cDi_SS - c_Di5) / cDi_SS;
266
267     if(error_cL < allow2) && cl_tolerance_PLLT2 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
268         cl_tolerance_PLLT2 = c_L5; % taking the values of n and cl
269         % that give us tolerable error
270         n_tolerance2L = i+1; % number of elements
271     end
272
273     if(error_cDi < allow2) && cDi_tolerance_PLLT2 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable

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273     cDi_tolerance_PLLT2 = c_Di5; % taking the values of n and
        cDi that give us tolerable error
274     n_tolerance2Di = i+1; % number of elements
275 end
276
277
278 if(error_cL < allow3) && cL_tolerance_PLLT3 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
        cL_tolerance_PLLT3 = c_L5; % taking the values of n and cL
        that give us tolerable error
279     n_tolerance3L = i+1; % number of elements
280 end
281
282
283 if(error_cDi < allow3) && cDi_tolerance_PLLT3 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
        cDi_tolerance_PLLT3 = c_Di5; % taking the values of n and
        cDi that give us tolerable error
284     n_tolerance3Di = i+1; % number of elements
285 end
286
287
288
289 if(error_cL < allow4) && cL_tolerance_PLLT4 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
        cL_tolerance_PLLT4 = c_L5; % taking the values of n and cL
        that give us tolerable error
290     n_tolerance4L = i+1; % number of elements
291 end
292
293
294 if(error_cDi < allow4) && cDi_tolerance_PLLT4 == 0 % Checking if error is below allowable
        cDi_tolerance_PLLT4 = c_Di5; % taking the values of n and
        cDi that give us tolerable error
295     n_tolerance4Di = i+1; % number of elements
296 end
297
298
299 end
300
301 % Lift/Drag
302 L_1 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cL_tolerance_PLLT2*S5;
303 Di_1 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cDi_tolerance_PLLT2*S5;
304 L_2 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cL_tolerance_PLLT3*S5;
305 Di_2 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cDi_tolerance_PLLT3*S5;
306 L_3 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cL_tolerance_PLLT4*S5;
307 Di_3 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*cDi_tolerance_PLLT4*S5;
308
309 % data for plots
310 for i=1:length(N3)
311
312     [~,c_L5_vec(i),c_Di5_vec(i)] = PLLT(b5,a0_t5,a0_r5,ct5,cr5,aero_t5,aero_r5,geo_t5,geo_r5,N3(i));
313
314     L5 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*c_L5_vec*S5;
315     Di5 = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*c_Di5_vec*S5;
316
317 end
318
319 % to estimate c_d, calculate Re for given flight conditions, pull from NACA charts
320 Re5 = (rho5*V5*((cr5+ct5)/2))/mu5; % use average chord length
321 c_d_0012 = 0.006; % Taken from experimental data at Reynold's number = 3*10^6 (similar to our
        Re5 calculated number)
322 c_d_2412 = 0.0065;
323
324 c_d_avg = (c_d_0012 + c_d_2412)/2;
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326 C_D = c_d_avg + cDi_tolerance_PLLT4; % Calculating cd with estimated values and our lowest error
      cDi
327 D = 0.5*rho5*V5^2*C_D*S5;
328
329 LoD = L_3/D; % For lowest error L/D problem 5
330
331 geor_vec = linspace(-10,20,50);
332 geor_vec_rad = geor_vec .* pi/180;
333 geot_vec = geor_vec - 1;
334 geot_vec_rad = geot_vec .* pi/180;
335
336 for i=1:length(geor_vec_rad) % Finding L/D at varying angle of attack
337
338 [~,c_L2,c_Di2] = PLLT(b5,a0_t5,a0_r5,ct5,cr5,aero_t5,aero_r5,geot_vec_rad(i),geor_vec_rad(i),20);
339
340
341 % cd vector
342 % NACA data
343 cd0012 = [0.0136 0.0054 0.0136];
344 cl0012 = [-1 0 1];
345
346 cd2412 = [0.008 0.006 0.0091];
347 cl2412 = [-0.65 0.2 1.08];
348
349 % quadratic fit
350 fit0012 = polyfit(cl0012,cd0012,2);
351 fit2412 = polyfit(cl2412,cd2412,2);
352
353 % average root and tip c_d to get c_d vec
354 c_d2 = (polyval(fit0012 ,c_L2)+polyval(fit2412 ,c_L2))/2;
355
356 % combining C_D
357 C_D2 = c_d2 + c_Di2;
358 LoD_vec(i) = c_L2 / C_D2;
359
360 end
361
362
363 %% CMD Line Prints
364 % Problem 1
365 fprintf('Problem 1: \n')
366 fprintf('\n')
367 fprintf("NACA 0006 Cl at 99 percent = %d \n", cl_tolerance)
368 fprintf("NACA 0006 - Number of Panels at 99 percent Cl = %d \n", n_tolerance)
369 fprintf('\n')
370
371 % Problem 2
372 fprintf('Problem 2: \n')
373 fprintf('\n')
374 fprintf("NACA 0006 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_0006_rad)
375 fprintf("NACA 0006 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_0006_2)
376 fprintf('\n')
377 fprintf("NACA 0012 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_0012_rad)
378 fprintf("NACA 0012 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_0012)
379 fprintf('\n')
380 fprintf("NACA 0018 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_0018_rad)
381 fprintf("NACA 0018 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_0018)
382 fprintf('\n')
383 fprintf("Symmetric TAT lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_TAT*(180/pi))

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384 fprintf("Symmetric TAT zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",0)
385 fprintf('\n')
386
387 % Problem 3
388 fprintf('Problem 3: \n')
389 fprintf('\n')
390 fprintf("NACA 0012 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_0012_rad)
391 fprintf("NACA 0012 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_0012)
392 fprintf("TAT NACA 0012 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_TAT*(180/pi))
393 fprintf("TAT NACA 0012 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",0)
394 fprintf('\n')
395 fprintf("NACA 2412 lift slope in 1/degrees = %d \n",a_0_2412_rad)
396 fprintf("NACA 2412 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_2412)
397 fprintf("TAT NACA 2412 lift slope in 1/degrees = %d \n",a_0_2412_TAT*(180/pi))
398 fprintf("TAT NACA 2412 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_TAT_2412)
399 fprintf('\n')
400 fprintf("NACA 4412 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_4412_rad)
401 fprintf("NACA 4412 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_4412)
402 fprintf("TAT NACA 4412 lift slope in 1/rad = %d \n",a_0_4412_TAT*(180/pi))
403 fprintf("TAT NACA 4412 zero lift AOA in degrees = %d \n",alpha_L0_TAT_4412)
404 fprintf('\n')
405
406 % Problem 5
407 fprintf('Problem 5: \n')
408 fprintf('\n')
409 fprintf("Steady state lift in lb_f = %d \n", 0.5*rho5*V5^2*S5*cL_SS)
410 fprintf("Number of terms to get lift within 10%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance2L)
411 fprintf("Number of terms to get lift within 1%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance3L)
412 fprintf("Number of terms to get lift within 0.1%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance4L)
413 fprintf('\n')
414 fprintf("Steady state induced drag in lb_f = %d \n", 0.5*rho5*V5^2*S5*cDi_SS)
415 fprintf("Number of terms to get induced drag within 10%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance2Di)
416 fprintf("Number of terms to get induced drag within 1%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance3Di)
417 fprintf("Number of terms to get induced drag within 0.1%% error = %d \n",n_tolerance4Di)
418
419 %% Plotting
420
421 % Problem 1
422 figure(1)
423 plot(N,c_l_0006)
424 hold on
425 yline(c_l_0006_actual,'k')
426 yline(c_l_tolerance,'--r')
427 hold off
428 xlabel("Number of Panels")
429 ylabel("C_l")
430 title("C_l vs. Number of Panels (Problem 1)")
431 legend('C_l','Actual C_l','C_l Tolerance','Location','southeast')
432 ylim([1.105 1.15])
433 grid on
434
435 % Problem 2
436 figure(2)
437 plot(alpha_vary,c_l_0006_2,'r')
438 hold on
439 plot(alpha_vary, c_l_0012,'b')
440 plot(alpha_vary, c_l_0018,'g')
441
442 plot(TWS_0006x,TWS_0006y,'o--r')

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443 plot(TWS_0012x,TWS_0012y,'o--b')
444
445 plot(alpha_vary, TAT_y,'k')
446
447 ylabel("C_l of Airfoil")
448 xlabel("\alpha (degrees)")
449 title("C_l vs \alpha (Problem 2)")
450 legend('0006', '0012', '0018', 'NACA 0006 Data', 'NACA 0012 Data', 'TAT', 'Location', 'northwest')
451 grid on
452
453
454 % Problem 3
455 figure(3)
456 plot(alpha_vary, c_l_0012,'r')
457 hold on
458 plot(alpha_vary,c_l_2412,'b')
459 plot(alpha_vary, c_l_4412,'g')
460
461 plot(TWS_0012x,TWS_0012y,'o--r')
462 plot(TWS_2412x,TWS_2412y,'o--b')
463 plot(TWS_4412x,TWS_4412y,'o--g')
464
465 plot(alpha_vary,TAT_y,'-.r')
466 plot(alpha_vary,TAT_2412,'-.b')
467 plot(alpha_vary,TAT_4412,'-.g')
468
469 ylabel("C_l of Airfoil")
470 xlabel("\alpha (degrees)")
471 title("C_l vs \alpha (Problem 3)")
472 legend('0012', '2412', '4412', 'NACA 0012 Data', 'NACA 2412 Data', 'NACA 4412 Data', 'TAT 0012', 'TAT
    2412', 'TAT 4412', 'Location', 'northwest')
473 grid on
474
475 % Problem 4
476 figure(4)
477 hold on
478 plot(ct_cr10,delta10)
479 plot(ct_cr8,delta8)
480 plot(ct_cr6,delta6)
481 plot(ct_cr4,delta4)
482 xlabel('c_r/c_t')
483 ylabel('Delta')
484 grid on
485 title("Matching Anderson Plots")
486 legend('AR = 10', 'AR = 8', 'AR = 6', 'AR = 4')
487 hold off
488
489 % Problem 5
490 figure(5)
491 hold on
492 plot(N3,L5)
493 grid on
494 ylabel('Lift [lb_f]')
495 xlabel('Number of Terms')
496 title('Lift Convergence')
497
498 figure(6)
499 hold on
500 plot(N3,Di5)

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501 grid on
502 ylabel('Induced Drag [lb_f]')
503 xlabel('Number of Terms')
504 title('Induced Drag Convergence')
505
506 figure(7)
507 plot(geot_vec,LoD_vec)
508 grid on
509 ylabel('Lift over Drag (Aerodynamic Efficiency)')
510 xlabel('Angle of Attack (degrees)')
511 title('Aerodynamic Efficiency vs. AoA')
512
513 %% Functions
514
515 function [x_b, y_b] = NACA_Airfoils(m,p,t,c,N)
516
517 x = linspace(c,0,N); % Starting at TE going to LE
518
519 y_t = (t*c / 0.2) * (0.2969.*sqrt(x/c) - 0.126.*(x/c) - 0.3516.*((x/c).^2) + 0.2843.*((x/c).^3) -
520     0.1036.*((x/c).^4));
521
522 % preallocate
523 y_c = zeros(1,length(x));
524 dy_c = zeros(1,length(x));
525 x_U = zeros(1,length(x));
526 x_L = zeros(1,length(x));
527 y_U = zeros(1,length(x));
528 y_L = zeros(1,length(x));
529
530 for i=1:length(x)
531     if x(i) <= p*c
532
533         y_c(i) = m*(x(i)/p^2)*(2*p - x(i)/c);
534         dy_c(i) = -2*m * (x(i) - c*p) / (c*p^2);
535
536     elseif x(i) > p*c
537
538         y_c(i) = m*((c - x(i)) / (1-p)^2) * (1 + x(i)/c - 2*p);
539         dy_c(i) = -2*m*(x(i) - c*p) / (c * (p-1)^2);
540
541     end
542
543     squiggly = atan(dy_c);
544     x_U(i) = x(i) - y_t(i)*sin(squiggly(i));
545     x_L(i) = x(i) + y_t(i)*sin(squiggly(i));
546     y_U(i) = y_c(i) + y_t(i)*cos(squiggly(i));
547     y_L(i) = y_c(i) - y_t(i)*cos(squiggly(i));
548     end
549
550 x_U = fliplr(x_U); % Flips vectors to make sure we are going clockwise
551 y_U = fliplr(y_U);
552
553 x_b = [x_L , x_U(2:end)]; % (2:end) so that we do not duplicated leading edge value
554 y_b = [y_L , y_U(2:end)];
555
556 x_b(isnan(x_b)) = 0;
557 y_b(isnan(y_b)) = 0;
558

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559 end
560
561 function [m, p, t] = NACAdata(str)
562
563 m = str(1);
564 m = str2double(m) / 100;
565
566 p = str(2);
567 p = str2double(p) / 10;
568
569 t1 = str(3);
570 t2 = str(4);
571
572 t = strcat(t1, t2);
573 t = str2double(t) / 100;
574
575 end
576
577 function [e, c_L, c_Di] = PLLT(b, a0_t, a0_r, c_t, c_r, aero_t, aero_r, geo_t, geo_r, N)
578
579 % Wing geometry
580 S = 0.5 * (c_t + c_r) * b;
581 AR = b^2/S;
582
583 top = pi/(2*N);
584 theta = linspace(top, pi/2, N); % Making theta vec (left half of span)
585 y = -b/2 * cos(theta); % Getting y vec
586
587 % preallocate
588 c = zeros(length(theta), 1);
589 a0 = zeros(length(theta), 1);
590 a_L0 = zeros(length(theta), 1);
591 a_geo = zeros(length(theta), 1);
592 alpha_vec = zeros(N, 1);
593 A_vec = zeros(N, N);
594 A_n_math = zeros(N-1, 1);
595
596 for i = 1:length(theta)
597     c(i) = c_r + y(i) * (c_t - c_r) / (y(1) - y(end)); % linear interpolation
598     a0(i) = a0_r + y(i) * (a0_t - a0_r) / (y(1) - y(end));
599     a_L0(i) = aero_r + y(i) * (aero_t - aero_r) / (y(1) - y(end));
600     a_geo(i) = geo_r + y(i) * (geo_t - geo_r) / (y(1) - y(end));
601     alpha_vec(i) = a_geo(i) - a_L0(i); % Vector math stuff start
602     for j = 1:length(theta)
603         A_vec(i, j) = 4*b / (a0(i)*c(i)) * sin((2*j-1)*theta(i)) + (2*j-1) *
604             sin((2*j-1)*theta(i))/sin(theta(i));
605     end
606 end
607
608 A_n = A_vec\alpha_vec;
609
610 c_L = AR * pi * A_n(1);
611
612 for k=2:length(A_n)
613     A_n_math(k-1) = (2*k-1)*(A_n(k)/A_n(1))^2;
614 end
615
616 delta = sum(A_n_math);
617 e = 1 / (1+delta);

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617     c_Di = c_L^2 / (pi*e*AR);
618 end
619
620
621 function [CL] = Vortex_Panel(XB,YB,ALPHA)
622
623 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
624 % Input:                                %
625 %                                         %
626 % XB = Boundary Points x-location %
627 % YB = Boundary Points y-location %
628 % ALPHA = AOA in degrees           %
629 %                                         %
630 % Output:                              %
631 %                                         %
632 % CL = Sectional Lift Coefficient %
633 % improves efficiency by preallocating matrices
634 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
635
636 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
637 % Convert to Radians %
638 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
639
640 ALPHA = ALPHA*pi/180;
641
642 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
643 % Compute the Chord %
644 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
645
646 CHORD = max(XB)-min(XB);
647
648 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
649 % Determine the Number of Panels %
650 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
651
652 M = max(size(XB,1),size(XB,2))-1;
653 MP1 = M+1;
654
655 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
656 % Preallocate Matrices for Efficiency %
657 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
658 X = zeros(1,M);
659 Y = zeros(1,M);
660 S = zeros(1,M);
661 THETA = zeros(1,M);
662 SINE = zeros(1,M);
663 COSINE = zeros(1,M);
664 RHS = zeros(1,M);
665 CN1 = zeros(M);
666 CN2 = zeros(M);
667 CT1 = zeros(M);
668 CT2 = zeros(M);
669 AN = zeros(M);
670 AT = zeros(M);
671 V = zeros(1,M);
672 CP = zeros(1,M);
673
674 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
675 % Intra-Panel Relationships:                                %

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676 %                                     %
677 % Determine the Control Points, Panel Sizes, and Panel Angles %
678 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
679 for I = 1:M
680     IP1 = I+1;
681     X(I) = 0.5*(XB(I)+XB(IP1));
682     Y(I) = 0.5*(YB(I)+YB(IP1));
683     S(I) = sqrt( (XB(IP1)-XB(I))^2 + (YB(IP1)-YB(I))^2 );
684     THETA(I) = atan2( YB(IP1)-YB(I), XB(IP1)-XB(I) );
685     SINE(I) = sin( THETA(I) );
686     COSINE(I) = cos( THETA(I) );
687     RHS(I) = sin( THETA(I)-ALPHA );
688 end
689
690 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
691 % Inter-Panel Relationships:      %
692 %                                %
693 % Determine the Integrals between Panels %
694 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
695 for I = 1:M
696     for J = 1:M
697         if I == J
698             CN1(I,J) = -1.0;
699             CN2(I,J) = 1.0;
700             CT1(I,J) = 0.5*pi;
701             CT2(I,J) = 0.5*pi;
702         else
703             A = -(X(I)-XB(J))*COSINE(J) - (Y(I)-YB(J))*SINE(J);
704             B = (X(I)-XB(J))^2 + (Y(I)-YB(J))^2;
705             C = sin( THETA(I)-THETA(J) );
706             D = cos( THETA(I)-THETA(J) );
707             E = (X(I)-XB(J))*SINE(J) - (Y(I)-YB(J))*COSINE(J);
708             F = log( 1.0 + S(J)*(S(J)+2*A)/B );
709             G = atan2( E*S(J), B+A*S(J) );
710             P = (X(I)-XB(J)) * sin( THETA(I) - 2*THETA(J) ) ...
711                 + (Y(I)-YB(J)) * cos( THETA(I) - 2*THETA(J) );
712             Q = (X(I)-XB(J)) * cos( THETA(I) - 2*THETA(J) ) ...
713                 - (Y(I)-YB(J)) * sin( THETA(I) - 2*THETA(J) );
714             CN2(I,J) = D + 0.5*Q*F/S(J) - (A*C+D*E)*G/S(J);
715             CN1(I,J) = 0.5*D*F + C*G - CN2(I,J);
716             CT2(I,J) = C + 0.5*P*F/S(J) + (A*D-C*E)*G/S(J);
717             CT1(I,J) = 0.5*C*F - D*G - CT2(I,J);
718         end
719     end
720 end
721
722 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
723 % Inter-Panel Relationships:      %
724 %                                %
725 % Determine the Influence Coefficients %
726 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
727 for I = 1:M
728     AN(I,1) = CN1(I,1);
729     AN(I,MP1) = CN2(I,M);
730     AT(I,1) = CT1(I,1);
731     AT(I,MP1) = CT2(I,M);
732     for J = 2:M
733         AN(I,J) = CN1(I,J) + CN2(I,J-1);
734         AT(I,J) = CT1(I,J) + CT2(I,J-1);

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735     end
736 end
737 AN(MP1,1) = 1.0;
738 AN(MP1,MP1) = 1.0;
739 for J = 2:M
740     AN(MP1,J) = 0.0;
741 end
742 RHS(MP1) = 0.0;
743
744 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
745 % Solve for the gammas %
746 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
747
748 GAMA = AN\RHS';
749
750 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
751 % Solve for Tangential Velocity and Coefficient of Pressure %
752 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
753 for I = 1:M
754     V(I) = cos( THETA(I)-ALPHA );
755     for J = 1:MP1
756         V(I) = V(I) + AT(I,J)*GAMA(J);
757     end
758     CP(I) = 1.0 - V(I)^2;
759 end
760
761 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
762 % Solve for Sectional Coefficient of Lift %
763 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
764
765 CIRCULATION = sum(S.*V);
766 CL = 2*CIRCULATION/CHORD;
767
768 end

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