Research project meeting summary: Trajectory Module for Launcher MDAO

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Plan:

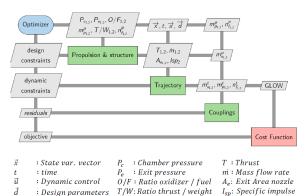


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Couplings between disciplines

All-at-Once MDO architecture using Dymos and OpenMDAO:



$$GLOW = M_{p_1} + M_{p_2} + M_{s_1} + M_{s_2} + M_{payload} + M_{fairing}$$

 $GLOW: Gross\ lift of f\ weight\ m_p\ : Propellant\ mass$

m_s: Structural mass



 NLP problem size

NLP variables and constraints for LGL of order 3. 2 optimization variables per segment. 56 segments. 5 states. 4 boundary constraints.

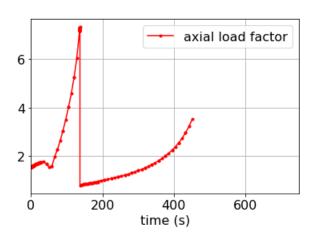
- state optimization variables = $2 \times 56 \times 5 4 = 556$
- defect and continuity constraints: (56 + 56 1) * 5 = 555

We have seven phases. Optimization of initial time and duration fro each.

- time variables: 2 * 7 = 14
- time continuity constraints: (7-1) = 6



Axial Load Factor plot





On the propulsion model

- \bullet To use the I_{sp} from Rocket CEA we would need interpolation in 3 variables: O/F, $P_c,\,P_e$
- \bullet Last meeting we agreed on calculating $I_{\rm sp}$ at vacuum and based on this calculate the nozzle exit area $A_{\rm e}$. Is this ok for the first stage?

Key points discussed



Questions

- In traditional launcher MDAO few optimization variables and constraints are used, thus the implementation of AAO strategies is quite penalizing. On the other hand, pseudospectral methods transcript the problem into a high dimensional NLP with hundreds of constraints and variables. Thus the relative effect on computing because of introducing a few more constraints and variables using AAO is smaller.
- What is SAND?
- Dimension of MDAO in a real case application
- What's the process to write a paper? We need to improve the structural model and then define a comparison method first. Then, I could write my research project report as if it were a paper to save some work.

Future actions



- \bullet I will meet Dr. Urbano to solve my doubt on the calculation of A_e in the propulsion module.
- Check on LAST structures module to integrate it in my code.
- Comparison of methodologies could be done against FELIN
- \bullet In the XDSM diagram I could better represent the jett isoned mass variables as it's confusing to name them m_s