Homework No.4 - Model Wing Simulation Example from courses.ansys.com

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Problem Statement 1

Ansys' simulation example is to analyse low-speed air flow corresponding to take-off and landing conditions over a mock-up aircraft wing in a wind tunnel test set-up. Along with analyses of lift and drag generated by the wing. The required Mesh file and associated case & data files were downloaded from Ansys' website.

The model consists of a mock-up wing mounted at 5° angle of attack inside a wind tunnel for testing with the following characteristics:

• Test section dimensions: $16.96 \text{m} \times 6.8 \text{m} \times 6.11 \text{m} \text{ (L} \times \text{W} \times \text{H)}$

• Wing span: 1.8m

• Wing reference chord: 0.665m

• Wing platform area: 1.0942m²

The domain consists of two fluid region filled with air, named as "Wind tunnel test section" and "Wing nearfield". See Figure 1. The inlet velocity is $68\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$, which corresponds to Mach 0.2. Effects of air compressibility are negligible when the mach number is less than 0.3. Therefore, the air is at standard sea level conditions and assumed to be incompressible $\left(\rho_{air} = 1.225 \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{m}^3}\right)$ and $\mu_{air} = 1.7894 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{m s}}$.

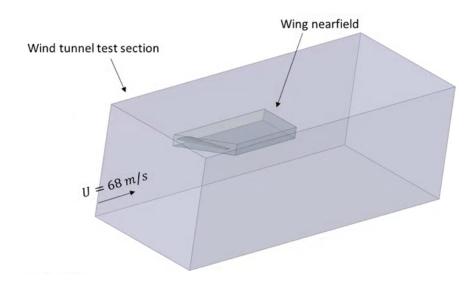


Figure 1: Problem Statement - Fluid Regions : adapted from [1]

The Reynolds number based on the reference chord is $Re = 3.0 \times 10^6$, implying that the flow over the wing is fully turbulent. The air entering the tunnel is smooth with very little turbulence. As shown in Figure 2, the boundary conditions are as follows:

• inlet: velocity inlet

• outlet: pressure outlet

• side and mounting walls: slip walls

• wing: no-slip wall

A steady state simulation is to be done using the pressure-based coupled solver in Ansys Fluent.

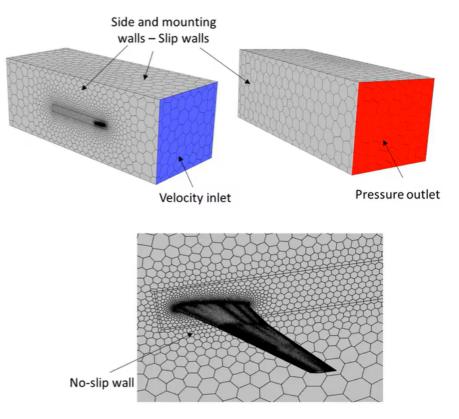
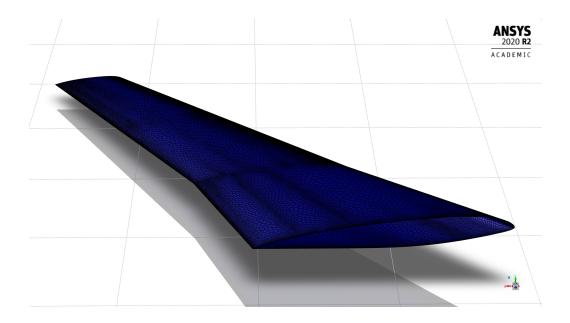


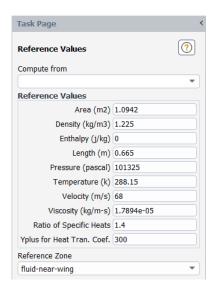
Figure 2: Problem Statement - Boundary Conditions : adapted from [1]

2 Simulation & Results

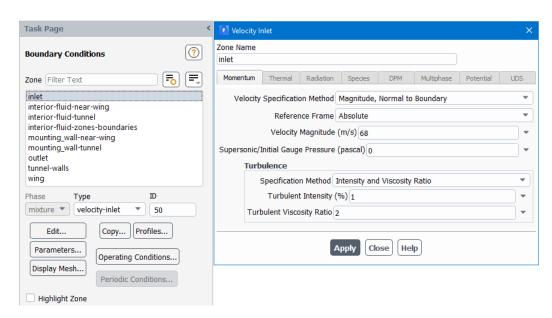
First step is to read the mesh file, also known as the "wing model" by doing: FILE \rightarrow READ \rightarrow MESH



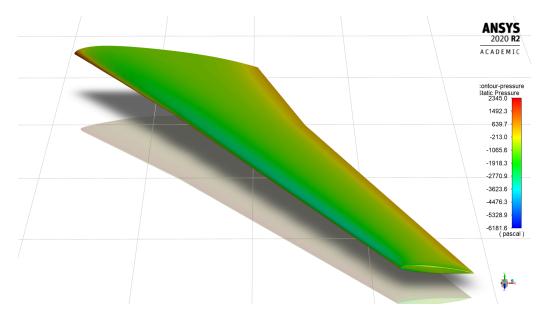
Step two is to set-up the physics by opening the PHYSICS tab. Under the REFERENCE VALUES... menu, the wing properties (listed in the Problem Statement section) are specified.

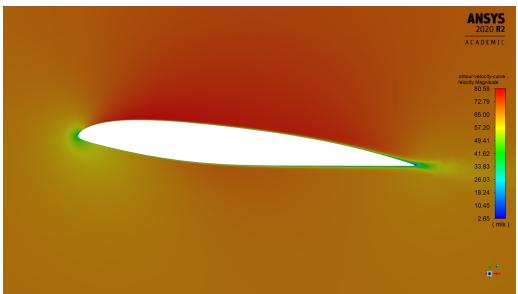


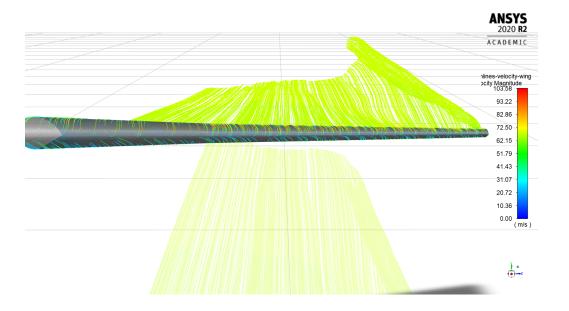
Under the ZONES menu, the boundary conditions are specified as depicted in the Problem Statement section.

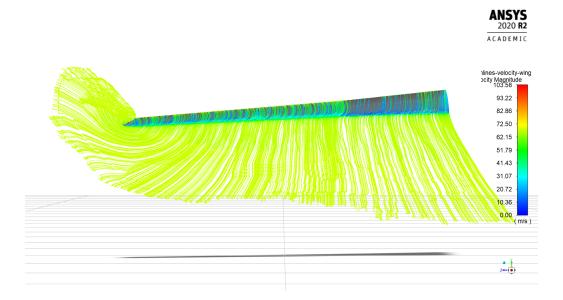


Once the model is initialized and solved, the results can be visualized as *contours* and *path-lines*









References

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