

Fluid structure interaction

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The front page depicts a section of the root system of the exceptional Lie group E_8 , projected into the plane. Lie groups were invented by the Norwegian mathematician Sophus Lie (1842–1899) to express symmetries in differential equations and today they play a central role in various parts of mathematics.

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Chapter 1

A motivation for studying fluid-structure interaction

Fluid-structure interaction(FSI) is an interdisciplinary field, appearing in many applications. In nature, FSI forms the basis of many physical phenomena. A fish swimming upstream, generating thrust from the surrounding fluid by wave-like movements of its fin and body. Or a tree, bending back and forth due to strong winds of a storm passing by. Both examples are understandable, but points out two main instances of how FSI occur. When the fish swims, it deforms the fluid, altering the nearby flowfield. For the tree however, the swinging and bending is induced by the pressure of passing wind acting on the tree trunk and branches. Ultimately, fluid-structure interaction occurs due to both initial effect of either fluid, structure or a combination.

Computational fluid-structure interaction (CFSI) has grown vast within engineering in the recent years, and proved to be essential for design development and performance optimization of many applications. Applications are, but not limited to biomedical computations such as heart valves and aneurysms ([4], [5]) inflation of parachutes [3], Underwater explosions [2] and wind turbines [1].

Within aeronautics, CFSI have proven to be crucial for advances within flight characteristics and fuel economy. Due to a wide range of wing materials and flow profiles to be studied, CFSI have made testing of proposed models possible, while saving expenses regarding small and full-scale experiments.

Winglet, a near vertical tip replacement for a conventional wingtip of an aircraft, have reduced drag induced by wingtip vortices during flight. As a result, the overall fuel consumption of long-distance flights have been reduced by $\sim 5\%$, which is why winglets can be observed within many airliners today. Another consequence of installing winglets is the reduction of wingtip vortices, which in turn reduces trailing turbulence behind the aircraft. The trailing turbulence can intervene with flight controls of aircraft passing through it, making winglets an important safety feature for flight traffic.



Figure 1.1: A comparison of shedding vortices from conventional wingtip, versus a winglet.

Given the multidisciplinary nature of FSI, significant developments within the field have occurred within recent years. Traditionally, fluid and structure mechanics have been considered separate scientific fields, however the complex interaction. There are several causes for, coupling of equations and nonlinearity.

Even though FSI play an important role within many scientific applications,

Computational stuff, why now, refer to computational power etc

Få med beregningsorienterte, to interdisciplinære.

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