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# **Numerical Simulation of 3-D Wing Flutter with Fully Coupled Fluid-Structural Interaction**

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# Background

- Important Issue: Aircraft Wing and Turbomachinery Blade Flutter
- Fully coupled fluid-structure model is necessary to capture the nonlinear flow phenomena

# Objective

- Develop High Fidelity Predicting Tool for Wing/Blade Flutter

# Numerical Strategy

- 3D Time Accurate RANS
- Dual Time Stepping, Implicit Gauss-Seidel Iteration
- Low Diffusion Upwind Scheme
- 2nd Order Accuracy in Space and Time
- Baldwin-Lomax Turbulence Model
- Enforce Geometry Conservation Law

# Governing Equations: 3D RANS

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{Q}'}{\partial \tau} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{Q}'}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}'}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}'}{\partial \eta} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}'}{\partial \zeta} = \frac{1}{Re} \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}'_{\mathbf{v}}}{\partial \xi} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}'_{\mathbf{v}}}{\partial \eta} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{G}'_{\mathbf{v}}}{\partial \zeta} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}' = \frac{\mathbf{Q}}{J} \quad \mathbf{E}' = \frac{1}{J} \hat{\mathbf{E}}, \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\rho} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{v} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{w} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{e} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{E}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\rho}\tilde{U} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{u}\tilde{U} + \xi_x\tilde{p} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{v}\tilde{U} + \xi_y\tilde{p} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{w}\tilde{U} + \xi_z\tilde{p} \\ \bar{\rho}\tilde{e}\tilde{U} + \tilde{p}\bar{U} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\tilde{U} = \xi_t + \xi_x\tilde{u} + \xi_y\tilde{v} + \xi_z\tilde{w}, \quad \bar{U} = \tilde{U} - \xi_t$$

$$\mathbf{E}_v = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \bar{\tau}_{xx} - \overline{\rho u'' u''} \\ \bar{\tau}_{xy} - \overline{\rho u'' v''} \\ \bar{\tau}_{xz} - \overline{\rho u'' w''} \\ Q_x \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\tau}_{ij} = -\frac{2}{3}\tilde{\mu}\frac{\partial\tilde{u}_k}{\partial x_k}\delta_{ij} + \tilde{\mu}\left(\frac{\partial\tilde{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial\tilde{u}_j}{\partial x_i}\right) \quad (3)$$

$$Q_i = \tilde{u}_j(\bar{\tau}_{ij} - \overline{\rho u'' u''}) - (\bar{q}_i + C_p \overline{\rho T'' u''_i}) \quad (4)$$

$$\bar{q}_i = -\frac{\tilde{\mu}}{(\gamma - 1)Pr} \frac{\partial a^2}{\partial x_i} \quad (5)$$

- Molecular viscosity  $\tilde{\mu} = \tilde{\mu}(\tilde{T})$
- Total energy:

$$\bar{\rho}\tilde{e} = \frac{\tilde{p}}{(\gamma - 1)} + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\rho}(\tilde{u}^2 + \tilde{v}^2 + \tilde{w}^2) + k \quad (6)$$

- Turbulent: Baldwin-Lomax model

## Time Marching Scheme:

Implicit Gauss-Seidel Relaxation, Dual Time Stepping

$$\left[ \left( \frac{1}{\Delta\tau} + \frac{1.5}{\Delta t} \right) I - \left( \frac{\partial R}{\partial Q} \right)^{n+1,m} \right] \delta Q^{n+1,m+1} = R^{n+1,m} - \frac{3Q^{n+1,m} - 4Q^n + Q^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} \quad (7)$$

$$R = -\frac{1}{V} \int_s [(F - F_v)\mathbf{i} + (G - G_v)\mathbf{j} + (H - H_v)\mathbf{k}] \cdot d\mathbf{s} \quad (8)$$

## Roe's Riemann Solver on Moving Grid System

$$\mathbf{E}'_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{E}''(\mathbf{Q}_L) + \mathbf{E}''(\mathbf{Q}_R) + \mathbf{Q}_L \xi_{tL} + \mathbf{Q}_R \xi_{tR} - |\tilde{\mathbf{A}}|(\mathbf{Q}_R - \mathbf{Q}_L)]_{i+\frac{1}{2}} \quad (9)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{T}} \tilde{\mathbf{\Lambda}} \tilde{\mathbf{T}}^{-1} \quad (10)$$

$$(\tilde{U} + \tilde{C}, \tilde{U} - \tilde{C}, \tilde{U}, \tilde{U}, \tilde{U}) \quad (11)$$

$$\tilde{U} = \tilde{\xi}_t + \xi_x \tilde{u} + \xi_y \tilde{v} + \xi_z \tilde{w} \quad (12)$$

$$\tilde{C} = \tilde{c} \sqrt{\xi_x^2 + \xi_y^2 + \xi_z^2} \quad (13)$$

$$\tilde{\xi}_t = (\xi_{tL} + \xi_{tR} \sqrt{\rho_R/\rho_L}) / (1 + \sqrt{\rho_R/\rho_L}) \quad (14)$$



## Boundary Conditions

- Upstream: All variables specified except pressure extrapolated from interior
- Downstream: All variables extrapolated except pressure specified
- Solid wall boundary conditions: Non-slip condition

$$u_0 = 2\dot{x}_b - u_1, \quad v_0 = 2\dot{y}_b - v_1 \quad (15)$$

and adiabatic and the inviscid normal momentum equation

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \eta} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial \eta} = - \left( \frac{\rho}{\eta_x^2 + \eta_y^2} \right) (\eta_x \ddot{x}_b + \eta_y \ddot{y}_b) \quad (16)$$

## Geometric Conservation Law

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{Q} \left[ \frac{\partial J^{-1}}{\partial t} + \left( \frac{\xi_t}{J} \right)_{\xi} + \left( \frac{\eta_t}{J} \right)_{\eta} + \left( \frac{\zeta_t}{J} \right)_{\zeta} \right] \quad (17)$$

$$\mathbf{S}^{n+1} = \mathbf{S}^n + \frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \mathbf{Q}} \Delta \mathbf{Q}^{n+1} \quad (18)$$

# Structural Model

Governing equation:

$$\mathbf{M} \frac{d^2 \mathbf{u}}{dt^2} + \mathbf{C} \frac{d\mathbf{u}}{dt} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f} \quad (19)$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_i \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_N \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{f}_i \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{f}_N \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u}_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{ix} \\ \mathbf{u}_{iy} \\ \mathbf{u}_{iz} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{f}_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{f}_{ix} \\ \mathbf{f}_{iy} \\ \mathbf{f}_{iz} \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Modal Approach

$$\mathbf{u}(t) = \sum_j a_j(t) \phi_j = \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{a} \quad (20)$$

Mode shape matrix:  $\mathbf{\Phi} = [\phi_1, \dots, \phi_j, \dots, \phi_{3N}]$ .

Modal Coordinates:  $\mathbf{a} = [a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots]^T$

$$\frac{d^2 a_j}{dt^2} + 2\zeta_j \omega_j \frac{da_j}{dt} + \omega_j^2 a_j = \frac{\phi_j^T \mathbf{f}}{m_j} \quad (21)$$

State form:

$$[\mathbf{M}] \frac{\partial \{\mathbf{S}\}}{\partial t} + [\mathbf{K}] \{\mathbf{S}\} = \mathbf{q} \quad (22)$$

where

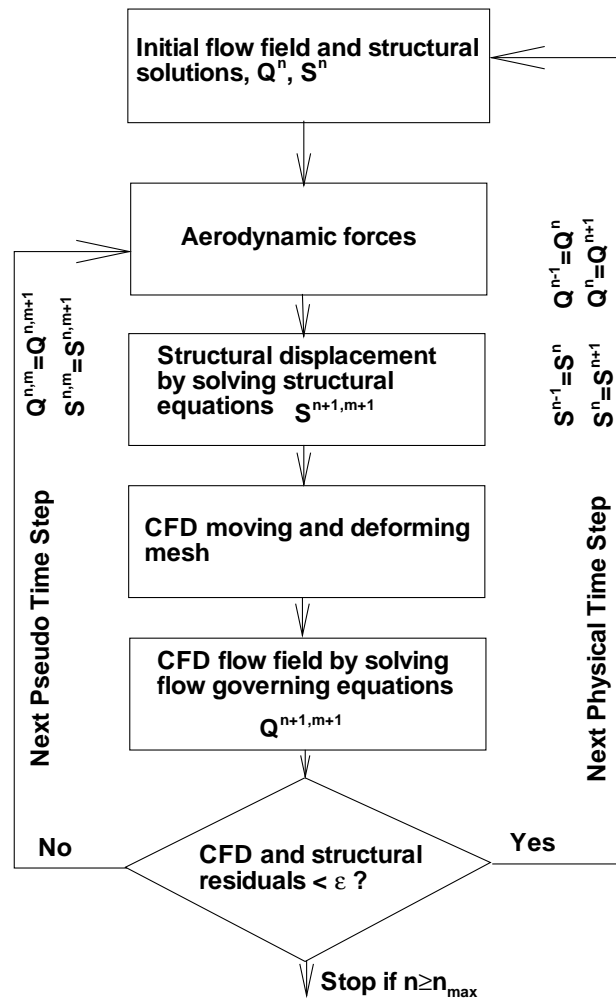
$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} a_j \\ \dot{a}_j \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{M} = [I], \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ \left(\frac{\omega_j}{\omega_\alpha}\right)^2 & 2\zeta \left(\frac{\omega_j}{\omega_\alpha}\right) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \phi_j^{*T} \mathbf{f}^* V^* \left(\frac{b_s}{L}\right)^2 \frac{\bar{m}}{v^*} \end{pmatrix}.$$

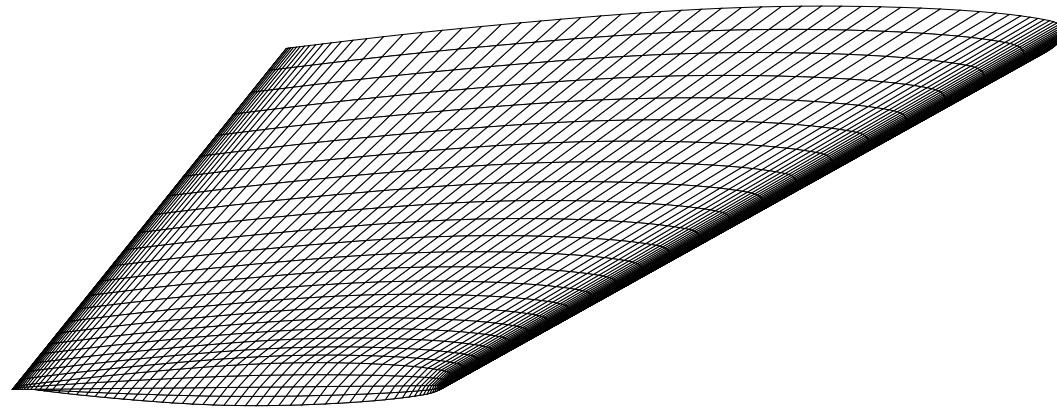
**Time marching: same as flow solver**

$$\left( \frac{1}{\Delta\tau} \mathbf{I} + \frac{1.5}{\Delta t} \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{K} \right) \delta S^{n+1,m+1} = -\mathbf{M} \frac{3\mathbf{S}^{n+1,m} - 4\mathbf{S}^n + \mathbf{S}^{n-1}}{2\Delta t} - \mathbf{K} \mathbf{S}^{n+1,m} + \mathbf{q} \quad (23)$$

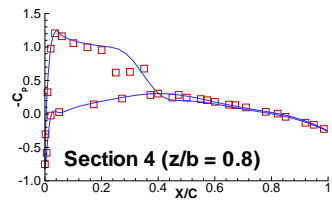
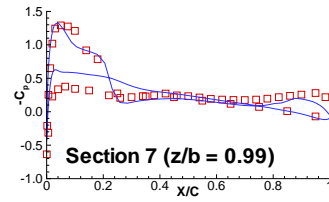
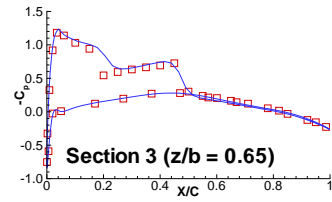
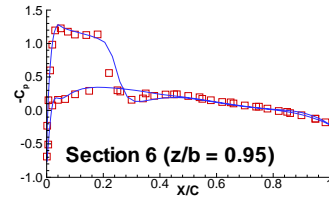
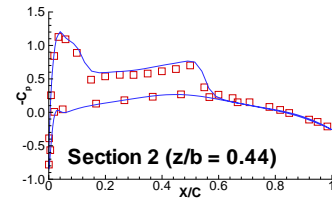
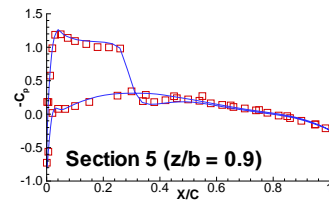
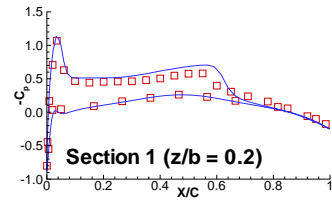
# Fully Coupled Fluid-Structural Interaction Procedure



**Results: ONERA M6 Wing Mesh  $M=0.84$ ,  $Re=19.7 \times 10^6$**



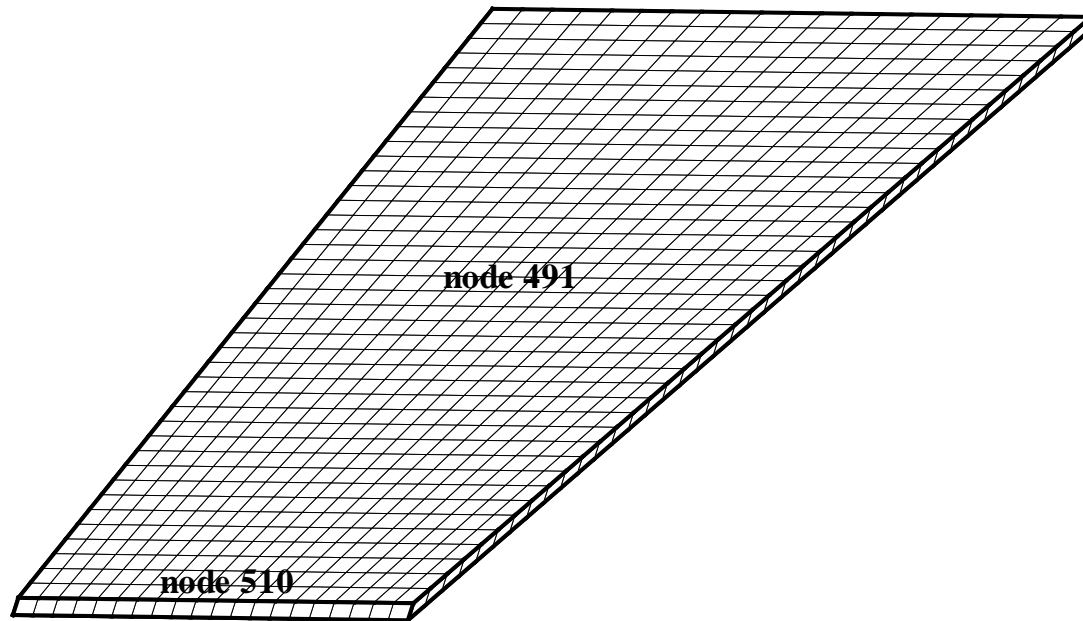
# ONERA M6 Wing Surface Pressure



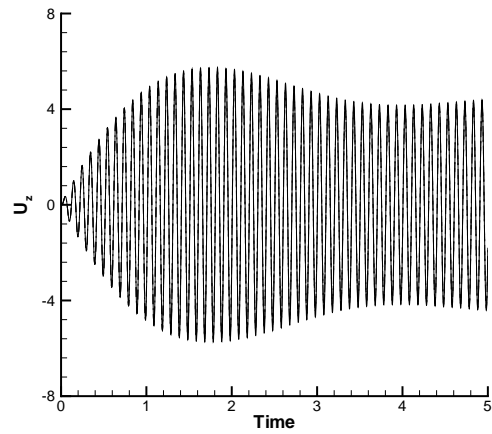
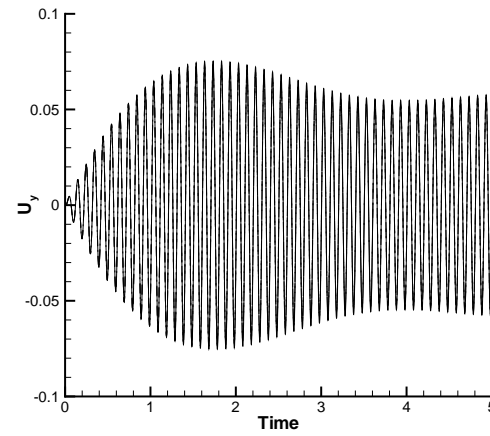
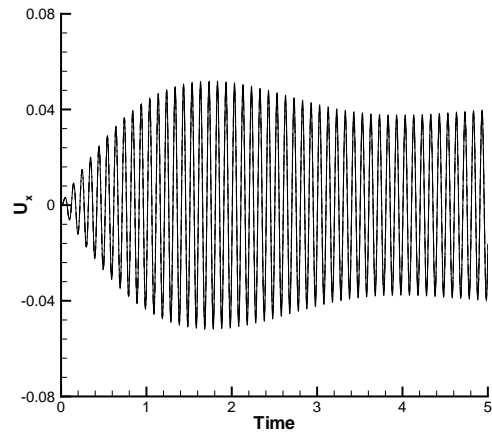
□ Experiment  
— Computation



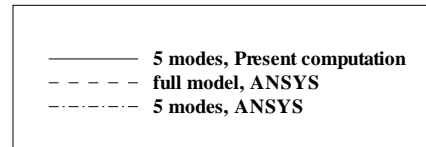
# Structural Solver Validation: Plate Wing



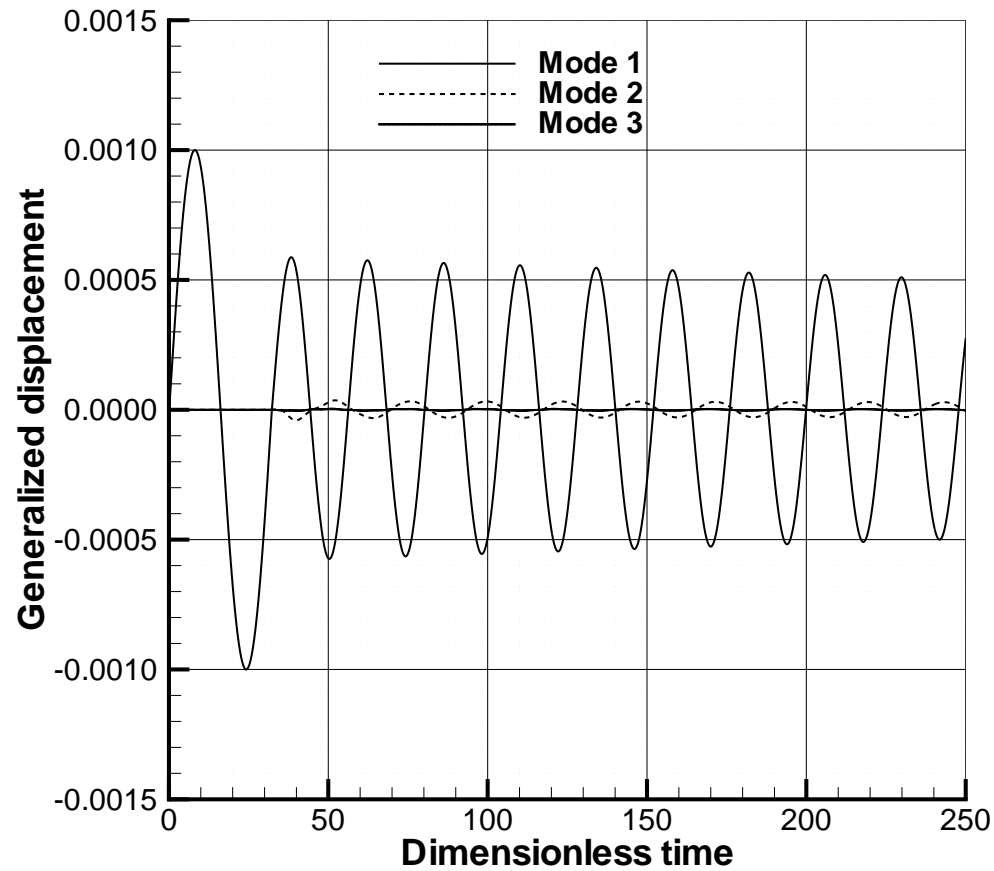
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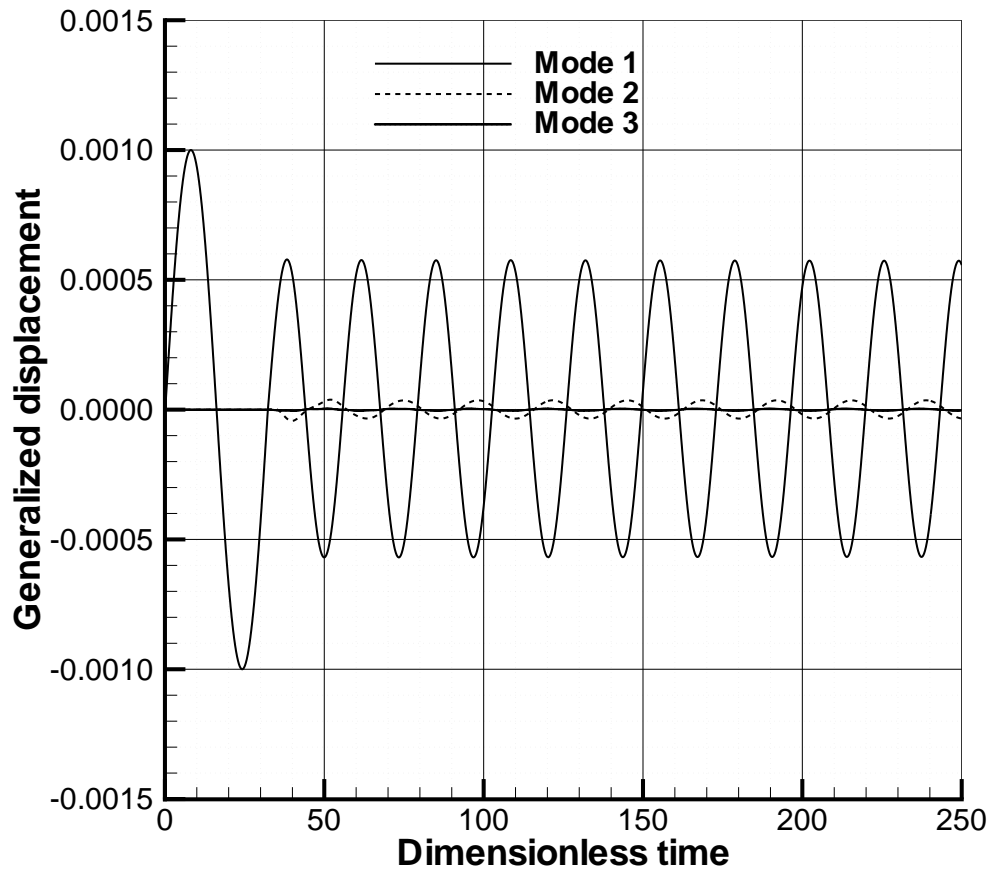
**Node #: 491**



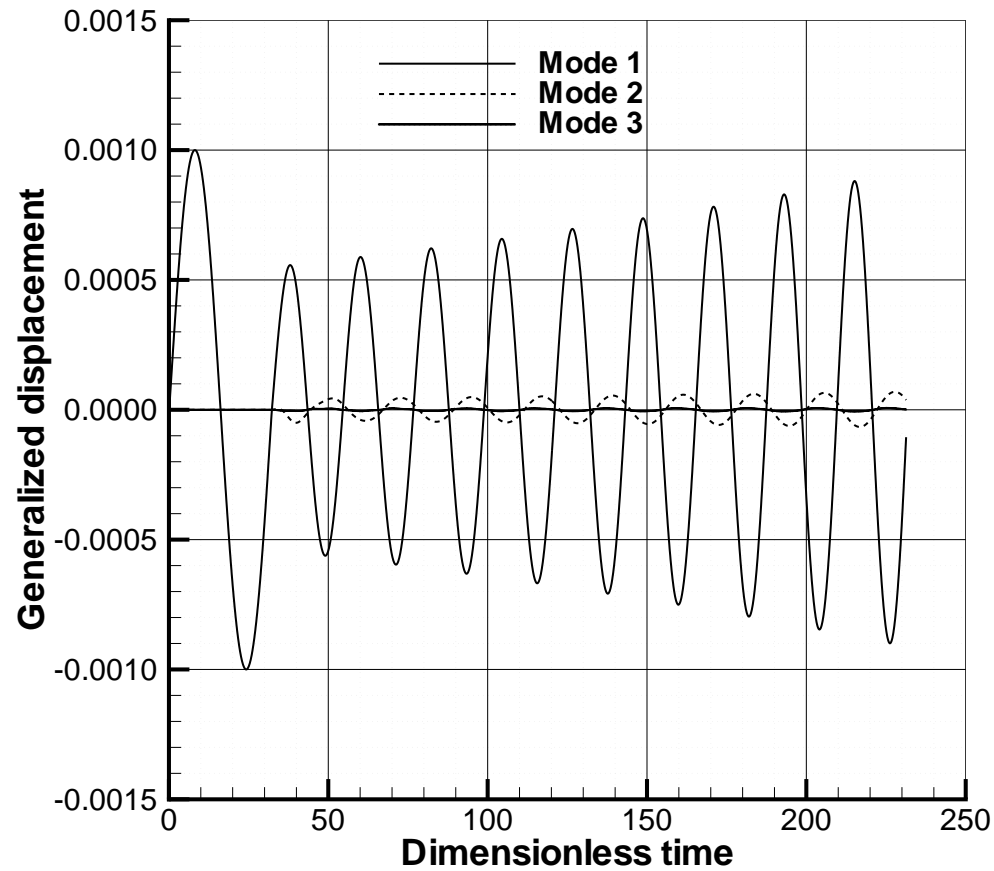
**AGARD Wing 445.6, Damped response  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.28$ , 1st 5 Modes**



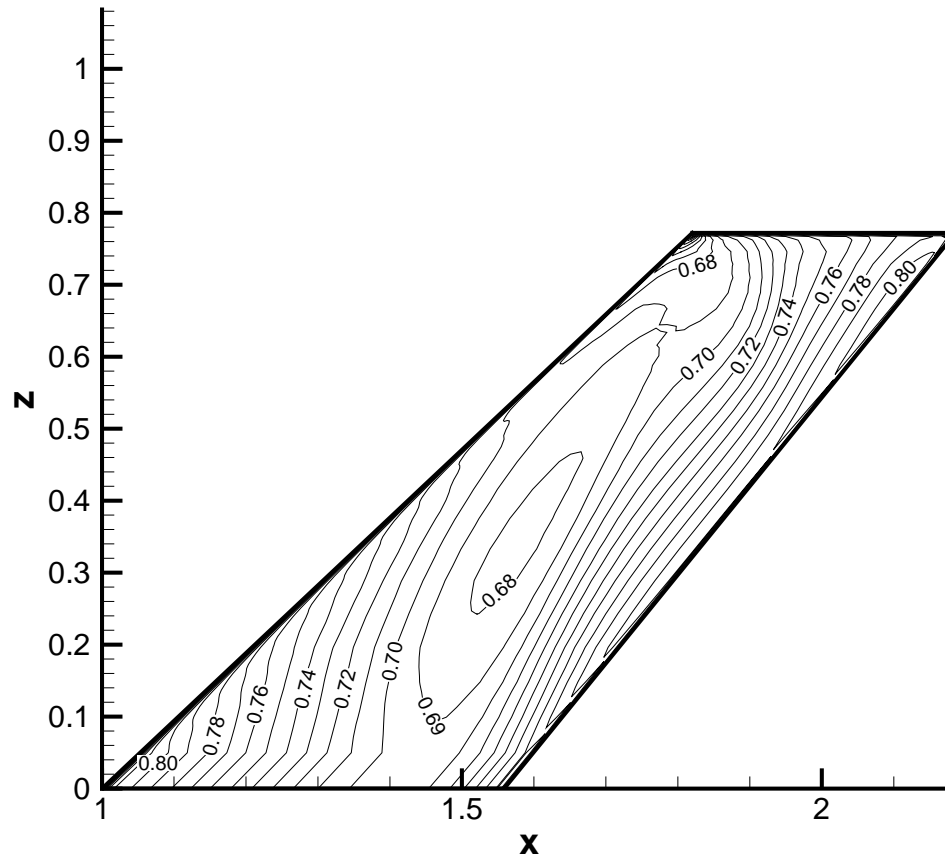
**AGARD Wing 445.6, Neutrally stable response.**  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.29$ , 1st 5 Modes



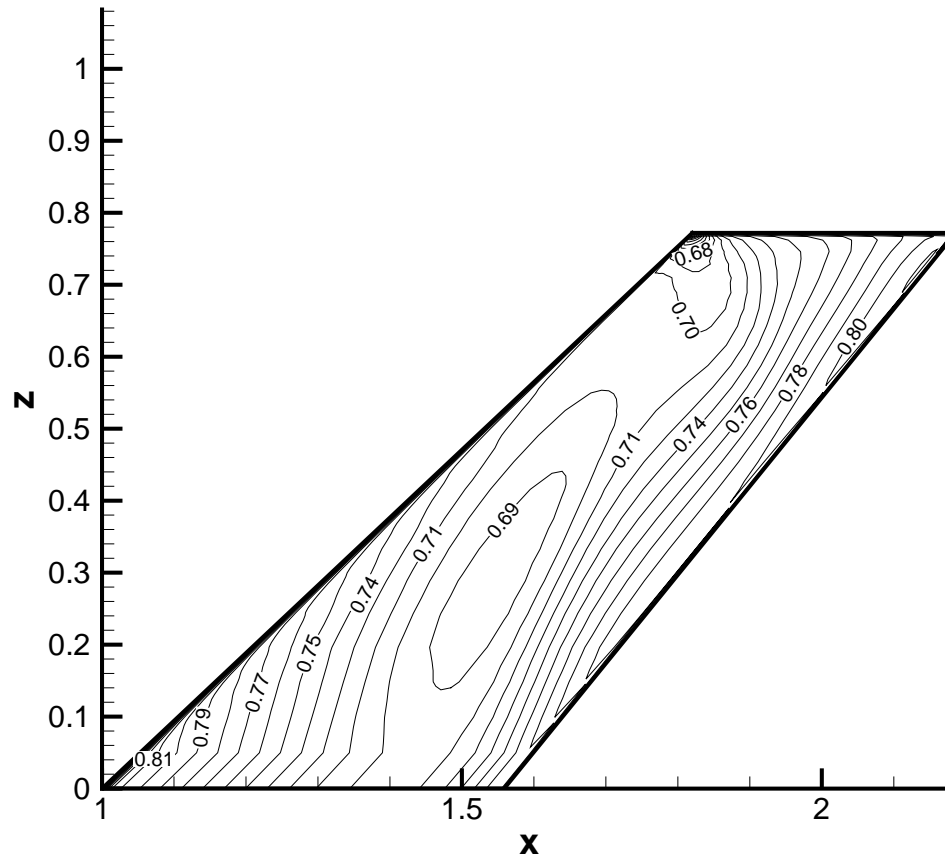
**AGARD Wing 445.6, Diverging response  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.315$ , 1st 5 Modes**



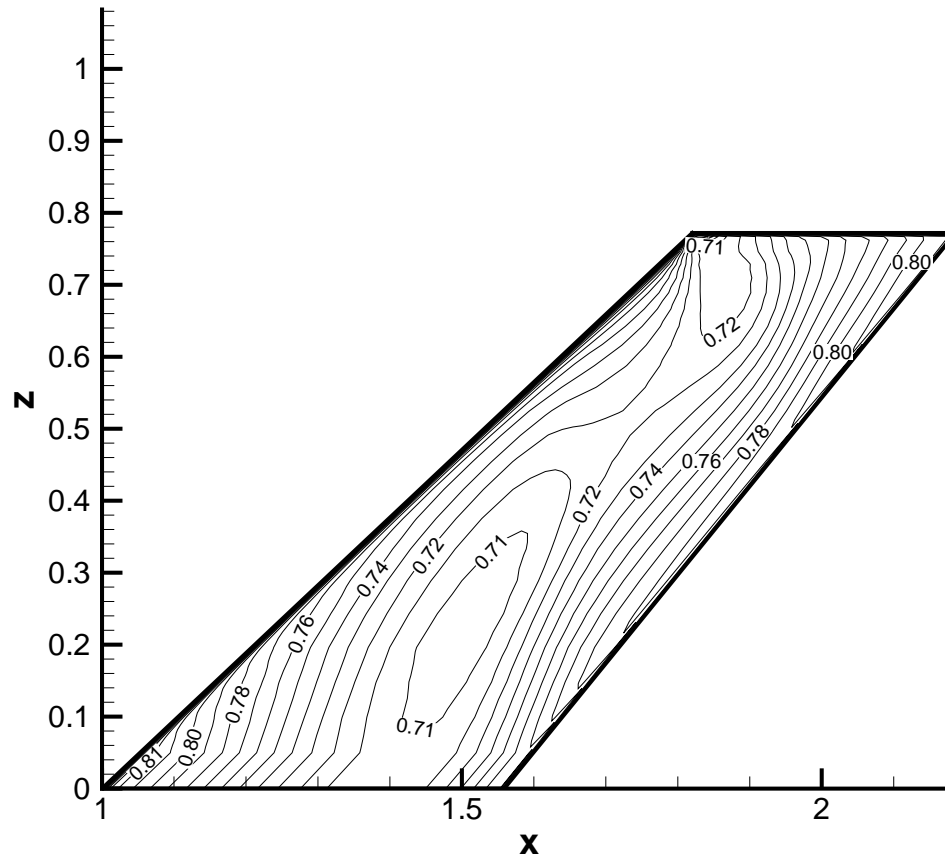
Pressure Contours, Uppermost position  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.29$



Pressure Contours, Neutral position  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.29$

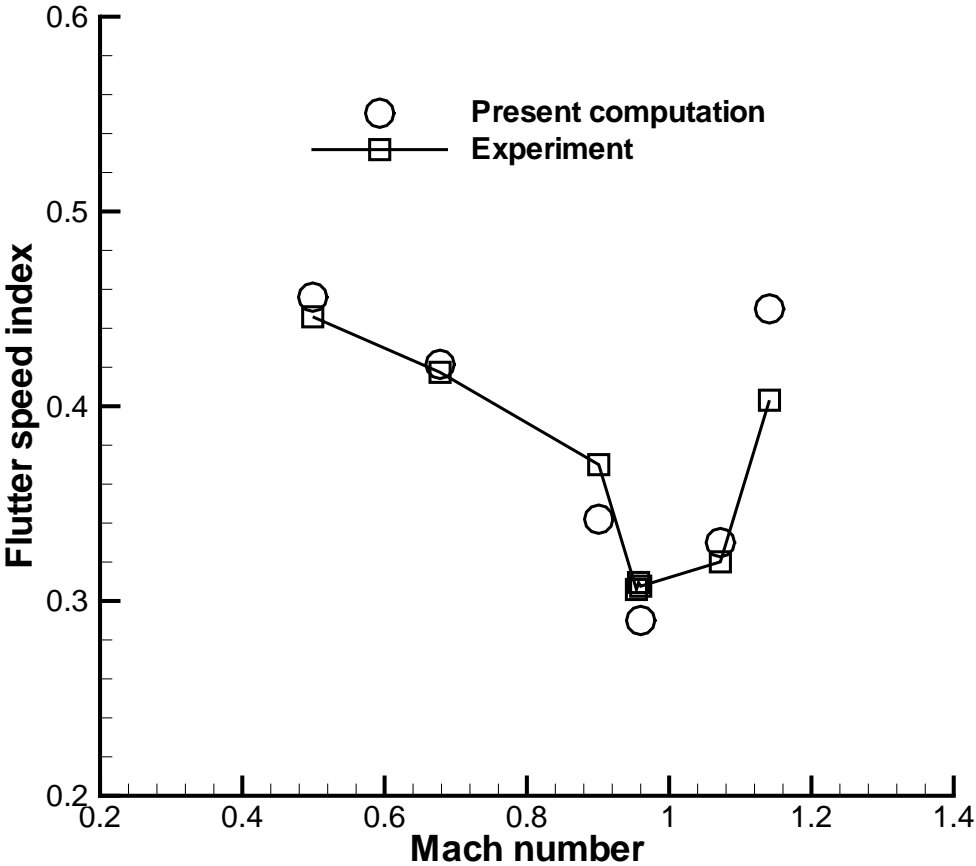


**Pressure Contours, Lowermost position  $M_\infty = 0.96$  and  $V^* = 0.29$**





# Computed AGARD Wing 445.6 Flutter Boundary



# Conclusions

- A fully coupled 3D fluid-structural interaction methodology for flutter prediction is developed.
- A dual time stepping implicit unfactored Gauss-Seidel iteration with Roe scheme is employed.
- The structural response using modal approach with 1st 5 modes agrees excellently with finite element solution.
- The predicted AGARD Wing 445.6 flutter boundary agrees well with experiment.