

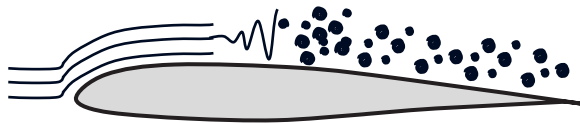
Transition-Transport Modelling:

2) Implementation, Comparison and Validation of Transition-Transport Modells for different CFD codes



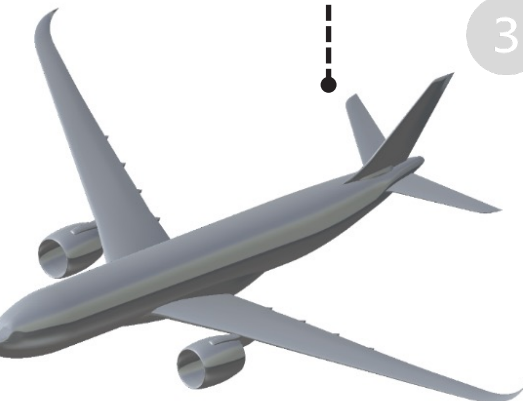
MASTER
ASSIGNMENTS

LAMINAR-TURBULENT TRANSITION AND ITS PREDICTION



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The laminar-to-turbulent transition is the process of a **laminar flow becoming turbulent**. Depending on the mechanism this process is caused by instabilities growing exponentially and eventually turning the flow into a chaotic, turbulent state.



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A class of methods pioneered by Menter and colleagues in the early 2010s are known as local (correlation-based) transition-transport models [1]. They adhere to the principal of being fully compatible with modern computational fluid dynamics software, offering additional advantages such as robustness and user-friendliness. However, a drawback of these methods is that they may sacrifice accuracy in pursuit of these benefits.

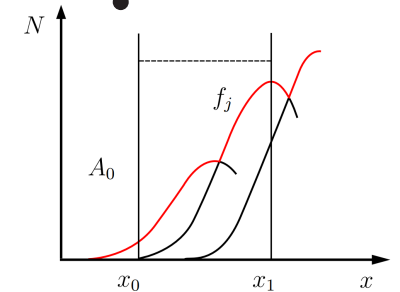
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For many applications in aerodynamics it is essential to consider the laminar-to-turbulent transition and to know in which region this transition is happening. For this purpose, a wide range of methods exists that enable the **prediction** of the transition at different levels of fidelity.

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The first model of this class was carried out by Menter and colleagues leading to the so-called $\gamma-Re_\theta$ model [1]. The model is based on empirical data using the so-called Abu-Ghanam and Shaw transition criterion. Models that are based on linear stability theory + e^N method have been developed e.g. by Coder et al. [2] and Ströer et al. [3,4].

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\phi)}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}\phi) = \mathcal{P}_\phi + \nabla \cdot ((\mu + \mu_t)\sigma_\phi \nabla\phi)$$



ASSINGMENT 2 *Implementation, Comparison and Validation of Transition-Transport Modells for different CFD codes*

Research questions:

How do different Transition Models perform for different CFD codes?

Problem description:

- *If a physical model is implemented in two **different Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)** codes that solve the same sets of equations and use comparable numerical methods, one would anticipate **very similar results for identical test cases**.*
- *To achieve this, conducting an intercomparison among different codes is crucial and provides valuable insights for **verifying the implementation of models**.*

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- This assignment covers the implementation, intercomparison and validation of different transition models and validation for generic test cases into the flow solvers SU2 and DLR-TAU (cf. slide in the appendix “CFD Software”)
- **Tasks in this assignment:**
 - ✓ Comparison of $\gamma - Re_\theta$ [1] implementation in SU2 and TAU for relevant test cases.
 - ✓ Implementation of the AFT 2019 model by Coder et al. [6] in SU2 and TAU
or
 - ✓ Implementation of the 1-Equation model by Ströer et al. [5] in SU2 and TAU
 - ✓ Comparison and validation of these models for relevant test cases.



Piqued your interest?

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CFD SOFTWARE

- **SU2**

- ✓ *Open Source C++ code*
- ✓ Unstructured Compressible Finite-Volume (FV) Solver
- ✓ Unstructured Incompressible Density-Based FV solver
- ✓ First version of DG-FEM solver
- ✓ RANS and (Hybrid) Scale-Resolving Capabilities
- ✓ Adjoint Solver



- **DLR TAU**

- ✓ *Commercial C code (German Aerospace Center)*
- ✓ Unstructured Compressible Finite-Volume Navier-Stokes Flow Solver (Low Mach-Number Preconditioning)
- ✓ RANS and (Hybrid) Scale-Resolving Capabilities
- ✓ Adjoint Solver
- ✓ “Transition Module”, Stability Solver



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