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High Performance Airfoil Using Co-flow Jet Flow Control: Wind Tunnel Tests and Analysis

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Overview of Airfoil Flow Control

- Rotating Cylinder at LE and TE
- Circulation Control Airfoil, LE or TE Blowing
- Synthetic Jet, Pulsed Jet
- Closed Loop Feed Back, Actuation and Sensor System
- Multi-Element High Lifting System





 $\delta_{\rm f}=20^{\rm o}$

 $\delta_r = 40^{\circ}$

Figure 4 C_L vs α sweep on a flapped NACA 0015 for $\delta_f = 20^\circ \& 40^\circ$

Synthetic Jet (wygnanski, AIAA Paper 2004-2505)

Objective

- Develop A New Airfoil Flow Control Technology:
- Highly Effective: High Lift, Low Drag, High Stall Margin
- Energy Efficient: Small Penalty to Propulsion System
- Easy Implementation

Co-Flow Jet(CFJ) Airfoil Concept



The Tested CFJ Airfoil Geometry



Baseline NACA0025, CFJ0025-065-192, CFJ0025-131-192,



Path Lines Colored by Mach NumberJul 25, 2004
FLUENT 6.1 (3d, coupled imp, ske)Streamlines released from the injection jet at $AoA=30^{0}$,
CFJ0026-131-192 airfoil

Wind Tunnel Setup



CFJ airfoil showing the injectionbox on suction side to removesideforce translation

Wind Tunnel Test Results





tested lift coefficient for baseline NACA0025 and CFJ0025-065-196 airfoil

Measured drag polar, CFJ0025-065-196 airfoil



CFD,wake Mach number contours

 $D = \int \int \rho U (U_{\infty} - U) dA$



CFD, wake shape

Wind Tunnel Test Results



Flow visualization of attached flow, baseline NACA0025 airfoil, ${\rm AoA} = 10^0$

Wind Tunnel Test Results



Flow visualization of separated flow, baseline NACA0025 airfoil, ${\rm AoA}=\!20^0$







Flow visualization, attached flow, CFJ0025-065-196 airfoil, AoA=43^0



Flow visualization, separated flow, CFJ0025-065-196 airfoil, ${\rm AoA}{=}46^0$



PIV, V/V_{∞} , Streamline, PIV, V/V_{∞} , Streamline, attached, CFJ0025-065-196, AoA attached, baseline, AoA = 43⁰, = 43⁰, Front Rear





PIV, V/V_{∞} , Streamline, $AoA = 46^{\circ}$, Front

PIV, V/V_{∞} , Streamline, separated, CFJ0025-065-196, separated, baseline, $AoA = 46^{\circ}$, Rear





Measured injection momentum coefficient, CFJ0025-065-196 airfoil

CFD, streamlines, Mach contours, CFJ0025-065-196 AoA = 39° .



Measured lift coefficient for baseline NACA0025 and CFJ0025-131-196 airfoil

Measured momentum coefficient, CFJ0025-131-196 airfoil

40



CFJ0025-131-196 no trip -1.24 CFJ0025-131-196 w/trip -1.04

CFJ0025-131-196 w/trip -1.09

CFJ0025-131-196 w/trip - 1.24

0.7 F

0.6

0.5

Measured drag polar of CFJ0025-131-196 airfoil





$$C_{jk} = \frac{\dot{m}_j V_j}{0.5\rho_\infty U_\infty^2 S_{slot}}$$







Measured injection, suction \dot{m} , CFJ0025-131-196 Measured injection, suction \dot{m} , CFJ0025-131-196



Comparison of power required to achieve $C_L = 4.22$ for the two CFJ airfoils

Airfoil	C_L	$\dot{m}~(kg/s)$	\mathbf{PR}	AoA	Power Required
CFJ0025-065-196	4.42	0.051254	1.33	34.7^{0}	1
CFJ0025-131-196	4.42	0.11	1.65	30^{0}	3.9

• Great Potential to Improve CFJ Airfoil Performance

Super-Circulation Airfoil

 C_L =9.7, CFJ11425-065-196, AoA=39⁰, M=0.1, CFD Simulation, Inviscid Limit $C_{Lmax} = 2\pi (1 + t/c)$



CFJ Aircraft Benefit Assessment

• Energy Expenditure

$$Loss = \frac{POWER_{cfj}}{POWER_{compressor}}$$
$$= \overline{\dot{m}_{cfj}} \frac{\eta_{compressor}}{\eta_{cfj}} \frac{(PR_{cfj}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1)}{(PR_{compressor}^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1)}$$
(1)

• Loss is small

Thrust

$$F = (\dot{m}_{engine} + \dot{m}_{fuel})V_{nozzle} - \dot{m}_{engine}V_{inlet}$$
$$= \dot{m}_{nozzle}V_{nozzle} - \dot{m}_{engine}V_{\infty}$$
(2)

On Ground

$$F = m_{nozzle} V_{nozzle} \tag{3}$$

Penalty to Thrust $\propto \dot{m}$ Dumped Fuel Consumption Suffer Same Penalty

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$$SFC = \dot{m}_{fuel}/F \tag{4}$$

CFJ X-47UM in Cruise (Fiction)



CFJ X-47UM Taking Off in Aircraft Carrier(Fiction)



CFJ Personal Aircraft, (Fiction), adapted form www.flug-revue.rotor.com



Boeing CFJ Sonic Cruiser, (Fiction), adapted form www.vigilanceaero.com



Conclusions

- Wind tests successfully demonstrated the Superior Performance of CFJ Airfoil
- CFJ Airfoil Significantly Increase Lift , Stall Margin, and Reduce Drag
- Low Penalty to Propulsion System
- No Large LE and TE Required, Can be used for Thin and Thick Airfoil
- Can be Used for Low and High Speed Aifcraft
- No moving Parts Needed
- Two CFJ Airfoil Tested in Wind Tunnel, CFJ0025-065-196, CFJ0025-131-196,
- Smaller Injection Size Perform Better for C_{Lmax} , Stall Margin,

Power Consumed

- Larger Injection Size Reduce More Drag
- Jet Mass Limit and Jet Instability Observed in Experiment
- Super-Circulation Airfoil Possible

CFJ Airfoil Promising for:

- Aircraft Required Short Take Off/Land Distance (Aircraft Carrier)
- Personal Aircraft to Have Short Take Off/Land Distance, Compact Wingsize, Small Drag
- Long Range Cruiser to Save Fuel
- Combat Aircraft for Fast Acceleration and High Maneuverability
- Quiet Airplane with Low Noise

• Military Aircraft (UAVs) Need Loitering and Supersonic Dash (suggested by G. Hill, NASA LaRC)

• Increase Supersonic Delta Wing Lift at Subsonic Take off and Landing(suggested by G. Hill, NASA LaRC)

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