



Aeroacoustic wind tunnel experiments on static and dynamically oscillating aerofoils

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Introduction

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Societal impact of noise emissions from aero-components

- Negative health effect of environmental noise
- Noise limiting regulations

Industrial relevance

- Aircraft in high-lift configuration during landing and take-off
- Wind turbines, propellers, rotors
- Reducing noise opens-up valuable commercial, societal, and financial opportunities









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Extensive experimental test campaigns

- Generating a broad, high-fidelity dataset of aerofoil self-noise and other aerodynamically generated noise
- Evaluating the effect of aerofoil shape on noise emissions
- Investigating noise mitigation strategies
- Make some data publicly accessible for wider use



Topics included:

- Aeroacoustics of static aerofoils
- Aeroacoustics of dynamically oscillating aerofoils
- High lifting devices











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Wind Tunnel facilities

- National aeroacoustics wind tunnel facility (AA tunnel)
- Low turbulence tunnel

Experimental techniques

- Static pressure measurements
- Dynamic pressure transducers
 - ✓ Direct Sensing
 - ✓ Remote Sensing
- Far-field microphone arcs
- Particle Image velocimetry (PIV)
- Hot-wire measurements







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Far-field microphone arrays









Beamforming

- 80 microphone elliptic spiral array (0.8m by 1.4m)
- 73 microphone **circular** array (0.8m diameter)
- beamforming maps





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Aerofoils

Planform view

0 0.5

x/c [-]

1

2.5

2

[-]1.5 [-] 2/¤ 1

0.5

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- NACA 16-616, NACA 16-506, NACA 0024, NACA 0012
- 3D printed/manufactured (AL)

0.2

0

0

-0.2

y/c [-]

• Various chord sizes such as c = 0.2 - 0.3 m, and span L = 0.5 - 0.7 m

1

Planform view

0 0.5

x/c [-]

0.2

0

-0.2

0

y/c [-]

2.5

[-] 1.5 2/2 1

0.5

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Profile view

0.5

x/c [-]

microphone location





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Profile view

0.5

x/c [-]

microphone location

30P30N ScF-FCF Slat Cove Filler Flap Cove Filler

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Near-field microphones and pressure transducers



Direct and remote sensing techniques



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-0.2

0

0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8

x/c [-]

-10

1









-0.2

0

0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1

x/c [-]

10

1







0.2

0

0.4 0.6 0.8

x/c [-]



PIV





Surface measurements











NACA 65-410 spectrogram phase averaging analysis



 10^{4}

 $[z_{H}] \, f$

 10^2

 10^{4}

 $\begin{bmatrix} zH \end{bmatrix} f$

 10^2

13

0

 $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = 5$

(a)

(b)

(c)

14

 $10 \log_{10} \left(\phi_{pp} / p_0^2 \right) \, [dB] \, \, 10 \log_{10} \left(S_{pp} / p_0^2 \right) \, [dB]$

40

20

100

80

60

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- Serrated aerofoils
- Porous treatments
- Morphing structures
- Surface treatments
- Flow suction
- Flow injection

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Aerofoil and high lifting devices studies at UOB

- Static aerofoil aeroacoustics
- Dynamically oscillating aerofoil aeroacoustics
- High lifting devices

Noise generation study and noise mitigation strategies

- Highly instrumented aerofoils
- Static and dynamic pressure sensors to capture near-field hydrodynamics
- Various microphone arc configurations to capture far-field noise spectra and the Overall Sound Pressure Levels (OSPLs)
- Hot wire and PIV





Thank you for your kind attention

