Influence of Downstream Waves on Impinging SBLI

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Canonical configurations:



Normal SBLI



Oblique impinging SBLI



Compression corner

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Adverse pressure gradient imposed by the shock





Adverse pressure gradient imposed by the shock Boundary layer thickens ahead of shock

















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Downstream waves are generally ignored - Is this valid?

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Oblique SBLI



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Are downstream waves important? Do these factors play significant roles?

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Key Questions







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Location

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What is the underlying mechanism?

Key Questions





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Intake studies at transonic Mach numbers

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Fundamental SBLI and flow control studies upto M = 3.5



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Boundary layer $\delta_i = 8mm$

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Setup





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Variables:

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 $\overline{\Delta P} = \Delta P_{waves} / \Delta P_{inv,SBLI}$







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$$= \frac{\Delta P_{waves}}{\Delta P_{inv,SBL}}$$

$$\overline{dx} = \overline{\Delta P} / (\frac{d_{sp}}{\delta_i})$$







Setup

$$= \frac{\Delta f}{\delta_{i}}$$
$$= \frac{\Delta P_{waves}}{\Delta P_{inv,SBLi}}$$
$$\overline{dx} = \frac{\overline{\Delta P}}{(d_{sp}/\delta_{i})}$$



Setup





Setup

Set 1

Set 2







Setup







Setup







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Separation bubble







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Baseline





 $\overline{d}_f = 6.3$







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$$\overline{d}_f = 6.3$$







 $\overline{d_f} = 1.2$







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 L_{sep} increases as d_f decreases 340% increase in Set 1 vs 40 % in Set 2







 L_{sep} increases as d_f decreases 340% increase in Set 1 vs 40% in Set 2 Discrepancy due to large difference in gradients







What is the mechanism?

Mechanism 1



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Set 2 compression

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Corner flow



Set 1 compression

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Conclusions





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Two possible mechanisms were proposed



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References



Additional slides: Setup details and data





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Details of test setups



Centreline separation lengths

Case	Expansion			Baseline	Compression		
d_f/δ_i	1.25	3.76	6.27	-	6.27	3.76	1.25
L_{sep}/δ_i	1.49	1.78	1.98	2.33	3.46	8.51	10.21

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d_f/δ_i	1.25	3.76	6.27	-	6.27	3.76	1.25
L_{sep}/δ_i	1.53	1.93	2.17	2.33	2.43	2.74	3.30

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Set 1

Set 2

