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High-Order Non-Oscillatory Compact Reconstruction Scheme for Overset Grids

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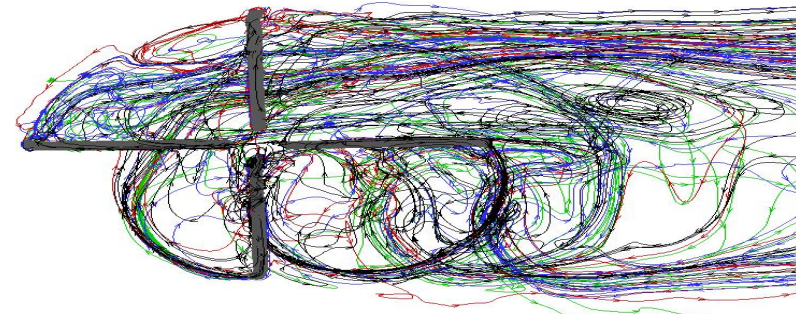
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Motivation

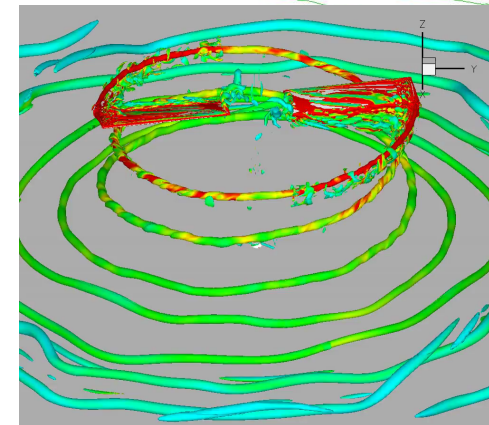
Accurate numerical simulation of the wake flow field around a rotorcraft

- Long term convection and mutual interaction of vortices
- Interactions of vortices with fuselage and ground plane
- Accurate resolution of near-blade turbulent structures



High order accurate Navier-Stokes solver

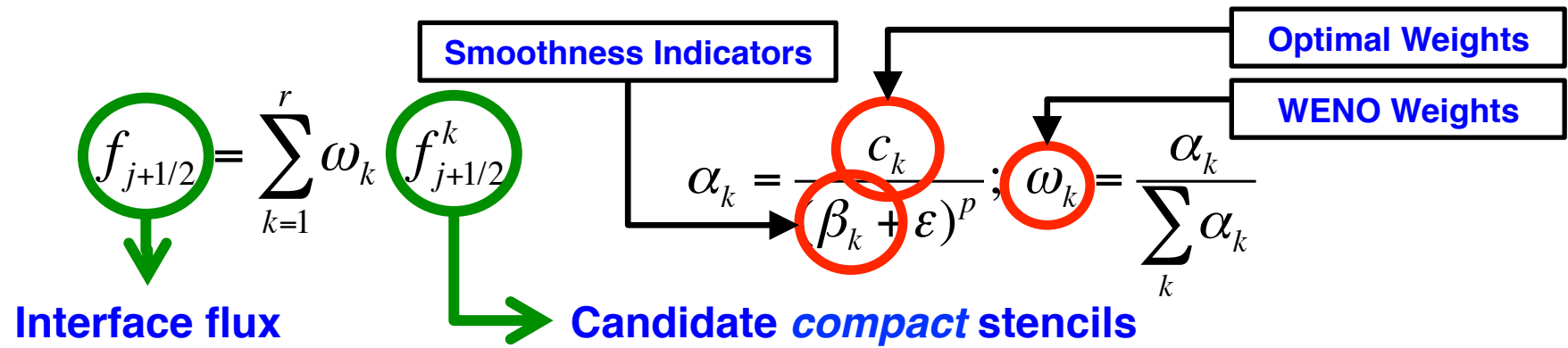
- High spectral resolution for **accurate capturing of smaller length scales**
- Non-oscillatory solution across shock waves and shear layers
- Low dissipation errors for **preservation of flow structures over large distances**



Compact-Reconstruction WENO Schemes

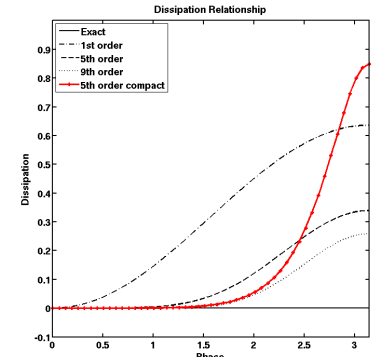
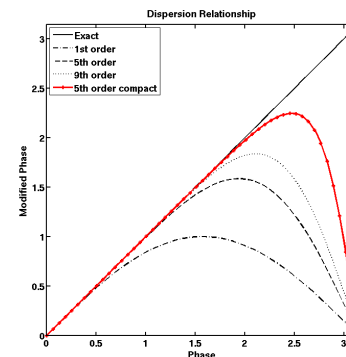
The Compact-Reconstruction WENO (CRWENO)[★] scheme

- Convex combination of r -th order candidate **compact** interpolations
- Optimal weights in smooth regions $\rightarrow (2r-1)$ -th order **compact** interpolation
- Smoothness - dependent weights $\rightarrow$ Non-oscillatory interpolation for discontinuities



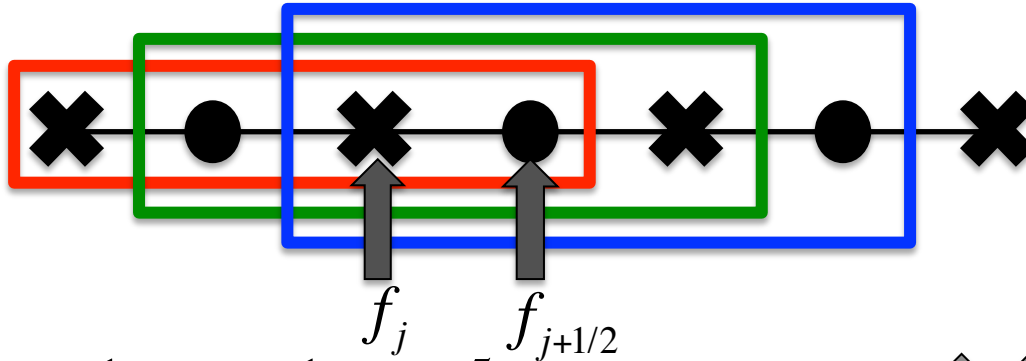
Why Compact Reconstruction?

- High order accuracy with smaller stencils
- Better spectral resolution than explicit interpolation (bandwidth resolving efficiency)
- Lower dissipation at resolved frequencies
- Taylor series error order of magnitude lower



Dispersion and dissipation relationships

5th Order CRWENO scheme



$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{2}{3}f_{j-1/2} + \frac{1}{3}f_{j+1/2} &= \frac{1}{6}f_{j-1} + \frac{5}{6}f_j & \xrightarrow{\text{red}} & c_1 = \frac{2}{10} & \omega_1 \\
 \frac{1}{3}f_{j-1/2} + \frac{2}{3}f_{j+1/2} &= \frac{5}{6}f_j + \frac{1}{6}f_{j+1} & \xrightarrow{\text{green}} & c_2 = \frac{5}{10} & \omega_2 \\
 \frac{2}{3}f_{j+1/2} + \frac{1}{3}f_{j+3/2} &= \frac{1}{6}f_j + \frac{5}{6}f_{j+1} & \xrightarrow{\text{blue}} & c_3 = \frac{3}{10} & \omega_3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{3}{10}f_{j-1/2} + \frac{6}{10}f_{j+1/2} + \frac{1}{10}f_{j+3/2} = \frac{1}{30}f_{j-1} + \frac{19}{30}f_j + \frac{10}{30}f_{j+1}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\omega_1 + \frac{1}{3}\omega_2\right)f_{j-1/2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\omega_1 + \frac{2}{3}(\omega_2 + \omega_3)\right)f_{j+1/2} + \frac{1}{3}\omega_3f_{j+3/2} = \frac{\omega_1}{6}f_{j-1} + \frac{5(\omega_1 + \omega_2)}{6}f_j + \frac{\omega_2 + 5\omega_3}{6}f_{j+1}$$



Baseline Solver

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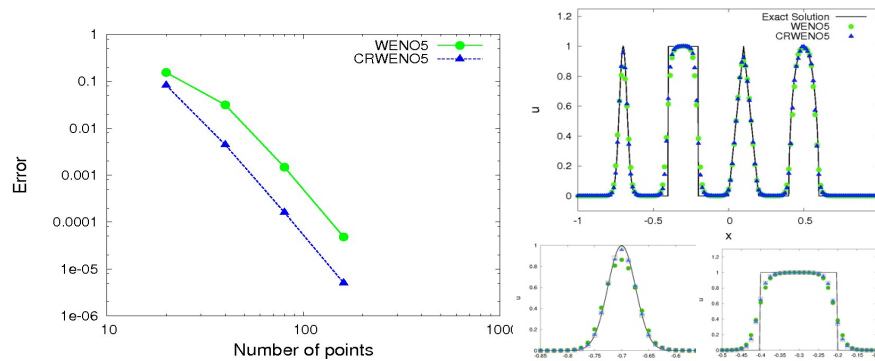
Integration of the CRWENO scheme with a **compressible Navier Stokes solver** for overset structured meshes

- **Time Marching:** 2nd order Backward Differencing (BDF2) and 3rd order Total Variation Diminishing Runge Kutta (TVDRK3)
- **Dual time-stepping** for time-accurate computations
- **Implicit Inversion:** Diagonalized ADI and LU-SGS
- **Spatial reconstruction:**
 - 5th order CRWENO scheme (**compact**)
 - 3rd order MUSCL and 5th order WENO schemes (**non-compact**)
- **Upwinding:** Roe's flux differencing
- **Turbulence Modeling:** Spallart-Almaras one-equation model
- **Implicit hole-cutting** for overset meshes
- **Viscous Terms** discretized by 2nd order central differences

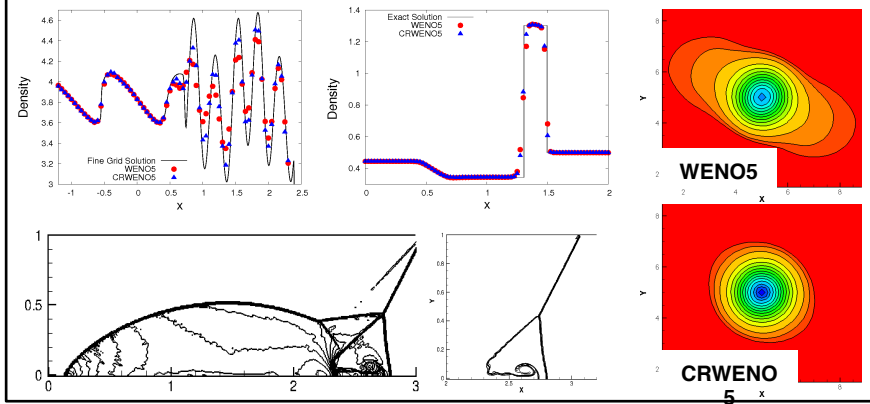
Applications

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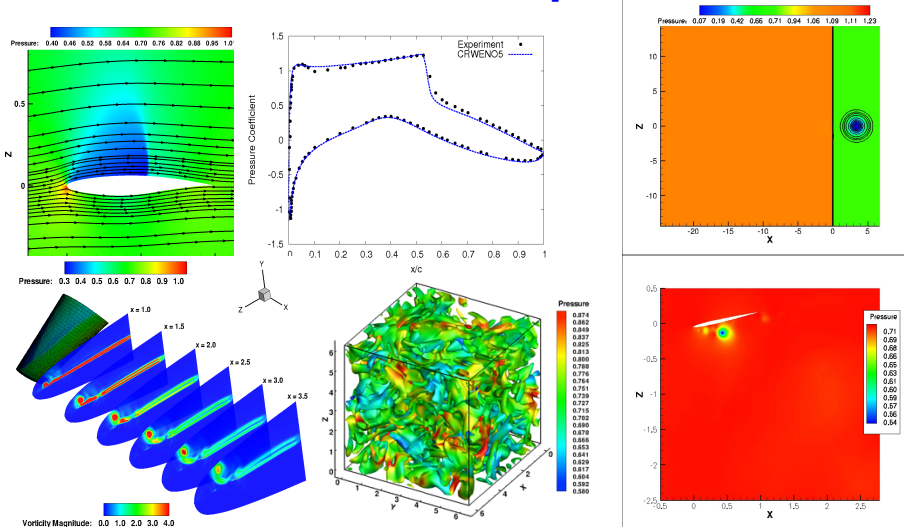
Scalar Conservation Laws



Inviscid Euler Equations



Navier-Stokes Equations



- Non-oscillatory solutions across discontinuities
- Absolute errors order of magnitude lower than WENO5 scheme
- Sharper resolution of extrema & shocks/contact discontinuities
- Significantly lower dissipation for smaller length scales
- Improved preservation of flow structures over large convection distances
- Validated for curvilinear meshes

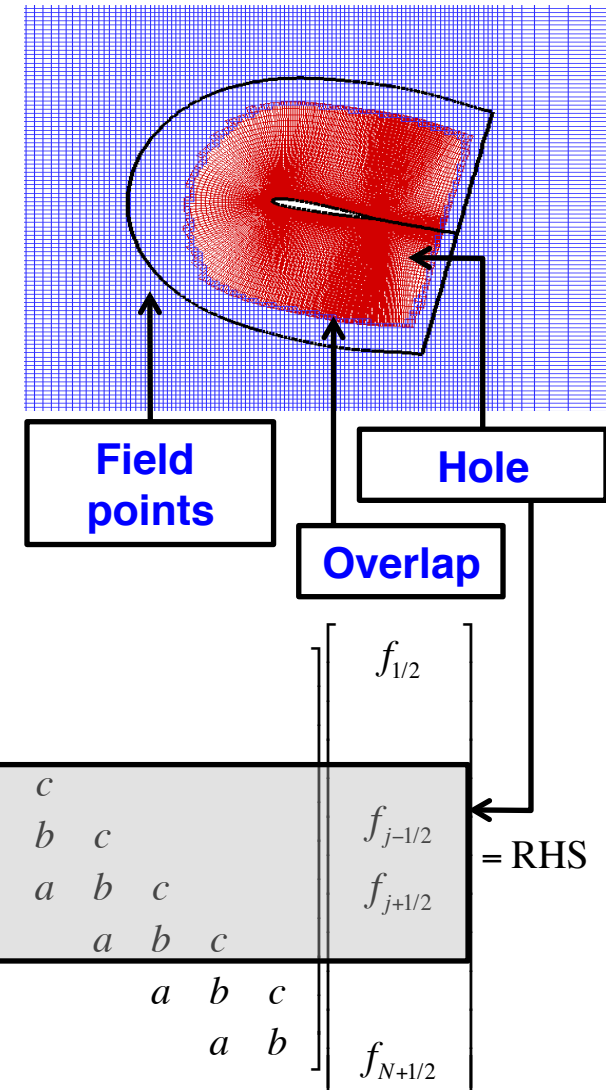
Overset Grids

Solution algorithm on overset meshes

- Identification of **field**, **overlap** and **hole** regions
- Field points → Governing equations are solved
- Overlap region → Solution exchanged with other meshes
- Hole region → Blanked out, contains non-physical values
- Implicit Hole-Cutting (Lee & Baeder, 2008)
- Tri-linear interpolation of solution between donor and receiver points

Application of **compact** schemes

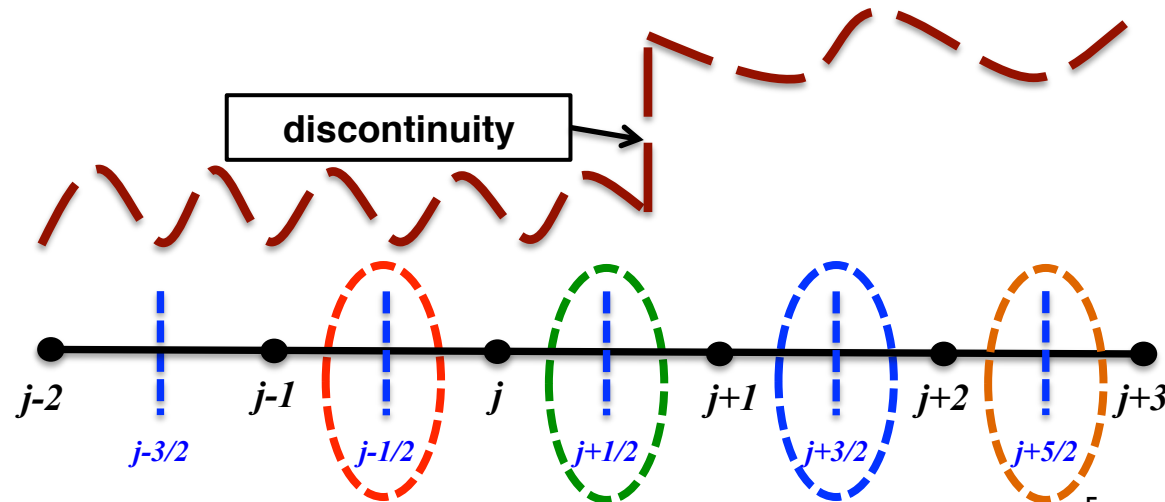
- Coupled solution for the interface fluxes
- Solution in **hole region coupled** with solution at field points
- System of equations contain non-physical values from the hole region



CRWENO on Overset Grids

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Behavior across **discontinuity** $\leftrightarrow$ Behavior across **hole cut**
(Non-physical values appear as a discontinuity)

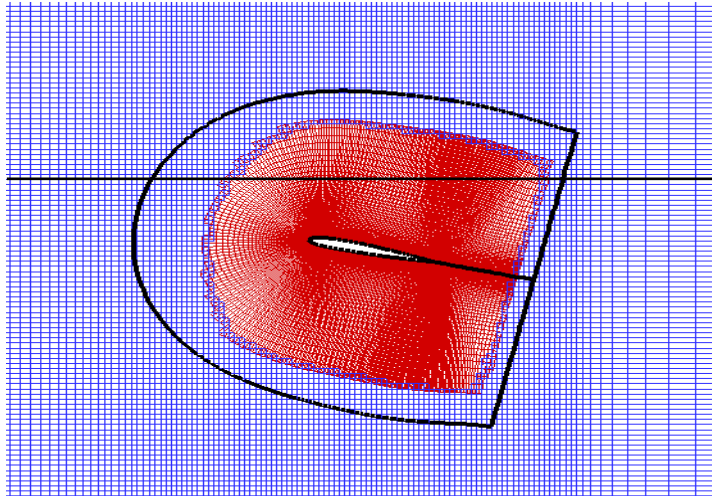


Decoupling of domain across a discontinuity

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{3}f_{j-1/2} + \frac{1}{3}f_{j+1/2} &= \frac{1}{6}f_{j-1} + \frac{5}{6}f_j \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega_1 \quad \text{red } \times \quad \text{green } \times \quad \text{blue } 0 \quad \text{orange } 0 \\ \frac{1}{3}f_{j-1/2} + \frac{2}{3}f_{j+1/2} &= \frac{5}{6}f_j + \frac{1}{6}f_{j+1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega_2 \quad \text{red } \times \quad \text{green } 0 \quad \text{blue } 0 \quad \text{orange } \times \\ \frac{2}{3}f_{j+1/2} + \frac{1}{3}f_{j+3/2} &= \frac{1}{6}f_j + \frac{5}{6}f_{j+1} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \omega_3 \quad \text{red } 0 \quad \text{green } 0 \quad \text{blue } \times \quad \text{orange } \times \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} b & c & & & \\ a & b & c & & \\ & a & b & c & \\ & & a & b & 0 \\ & & & 0 & b & c \\ & & & & 0 & a & b & c \\ & & & & & a & b & c \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_{1/2} \\ f_{j+1/2} \\ f_{j+3/2} \\ f_{N+1/2} \end{bmatrix} = \text{RHS}$$

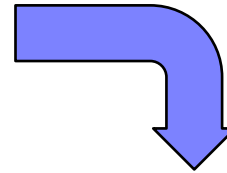


Adaptive stenciling of
the CRWENO scheme



Decoupling of solution
between **field** and **hole**
points

Grid Line
($1:i_{\max}, j$)



$$\begin{bmatrix}
 b & c & & & & \\
 a & b & c & & & \\
 & a & b & 0 & & \\
 & 0 & b & c & & \\
 & & a & b & 0 & \\
 & & & 0 & b & c \\
 & & & & a & b & c \\
 & & & & & a & b
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 f_{1/2} \\
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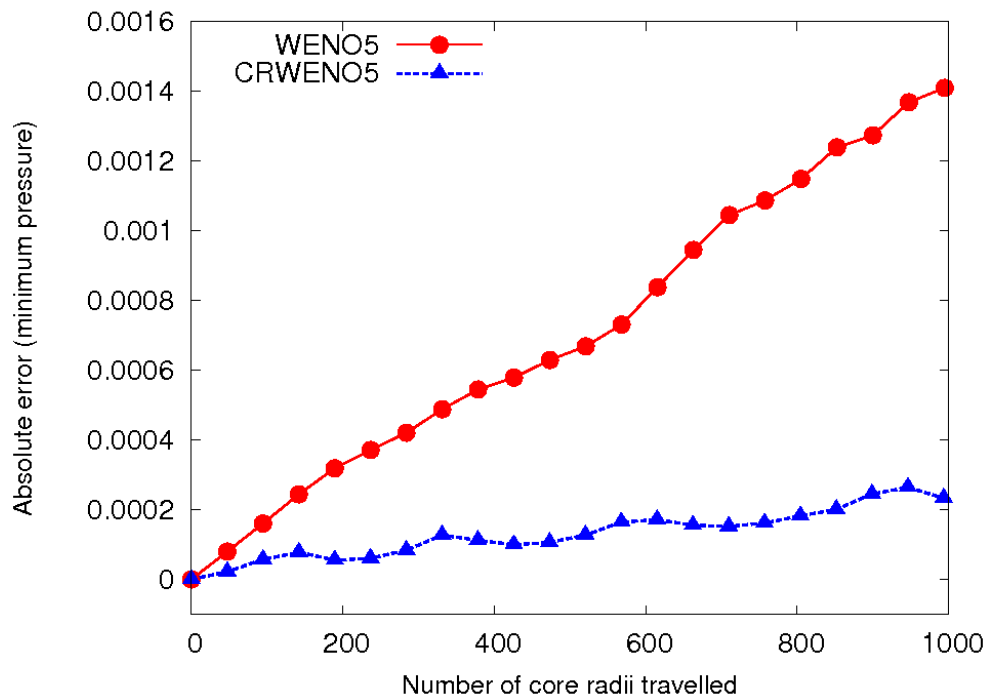
Applications

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- **Verification / Validation**
 - Isentropic vortex convection
 - Steady flow over SC2110 airfoil in wind tunnel, with and without leading edge slat
 - Dynamic stall of a pitching SC1095 airfoil in wind tunnel
- **Application**
 - Flow around the Harrington two-bladed rotor

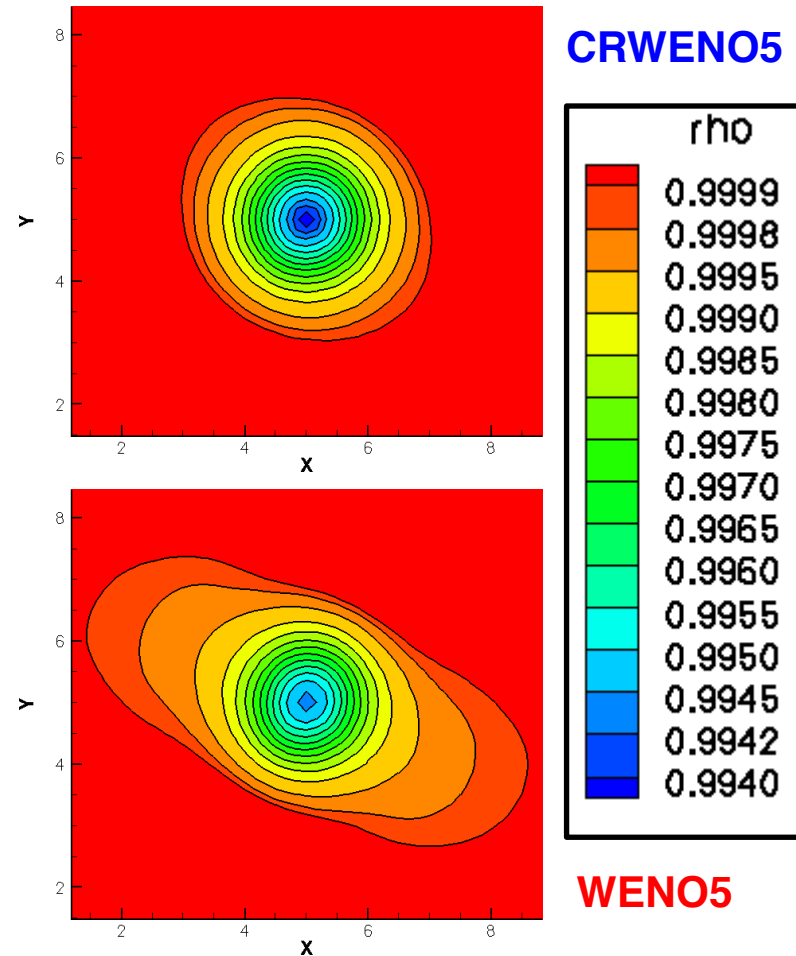
Isentropic Vortex Convection

Comparison of CRWENO5 and WENO5
Long Term Convection (1000 core radii)
 Better preservation of vortex strength and shape by the CRWENO5 scheme

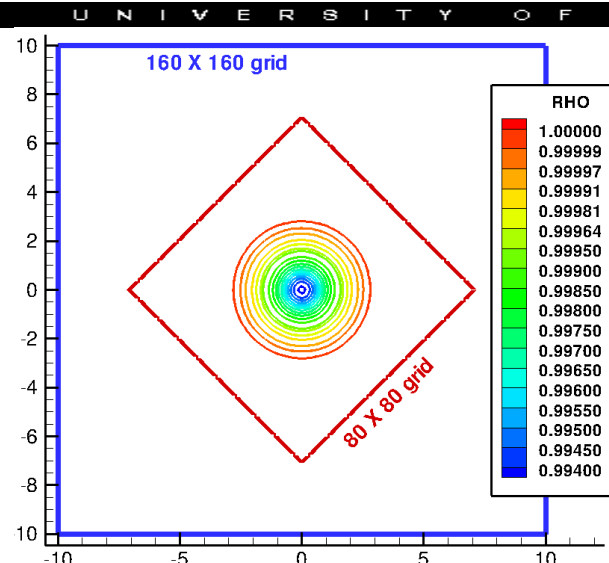


Comparison of pressure error at vortex core

12 points across core



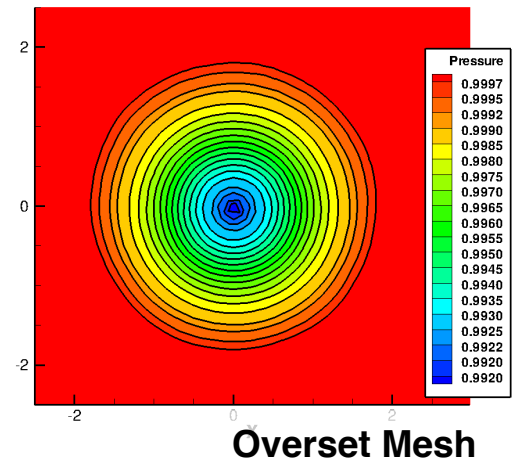
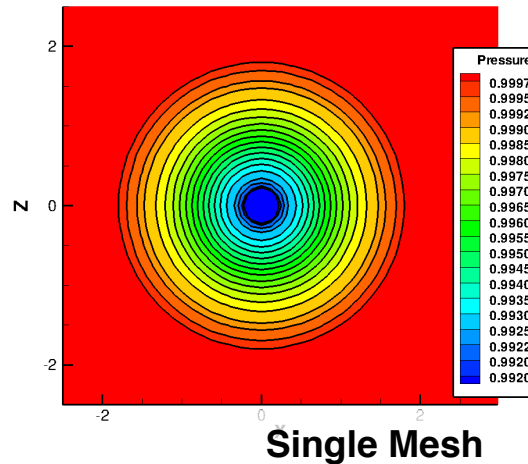
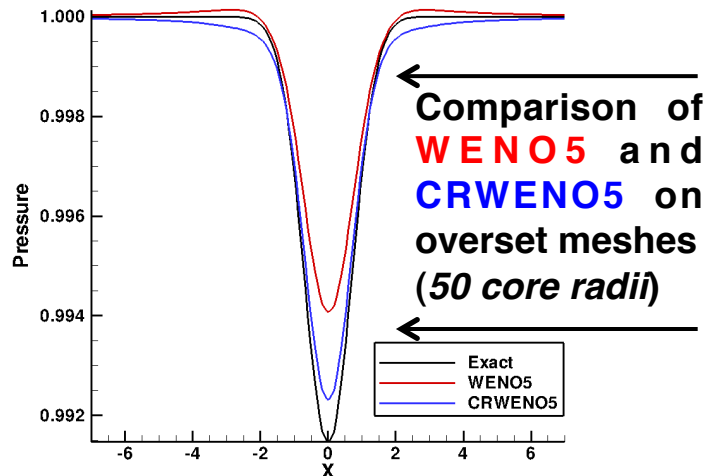
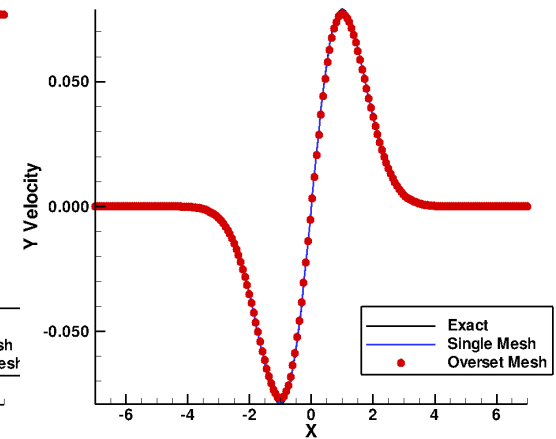
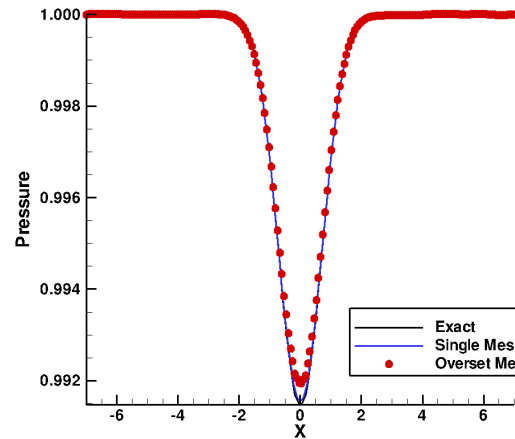
Isentropic Vortex Convection on Overset Grids



Initial conditions and domain with overset meshes

Comparison of solutions on single and overset meshes for the CRWENO5 scheme (20 core radii)

→ Good agreement



SC2110 Airfoil w/ Slat in Wind Tunnel

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Wind Tunnel Mesh –
Clustered Cartesian,
151x101 points

Airfoil Mesh – C-type,
365x138 points

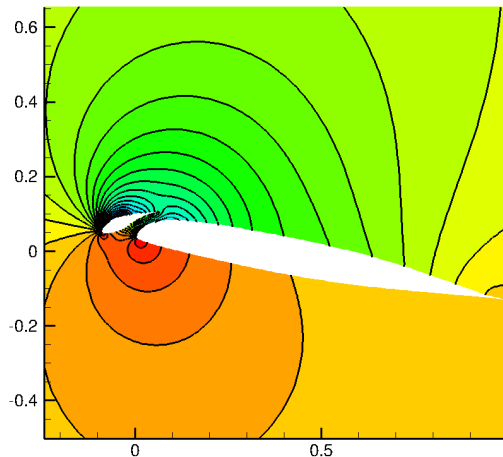
Slat Mesh – C-type,
317x97 points

Flow Conditions:

Reynolds number = $4.15e6$

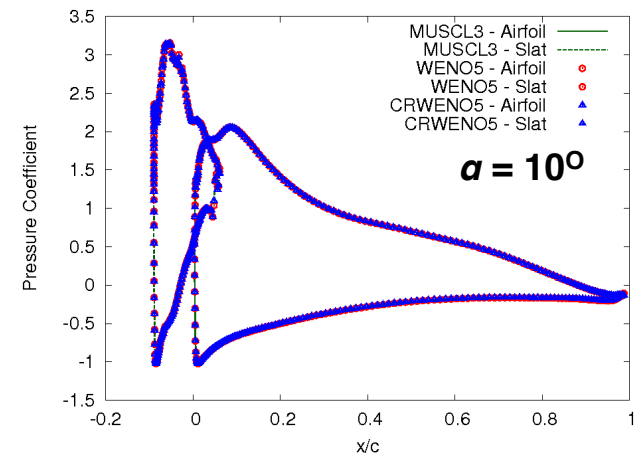
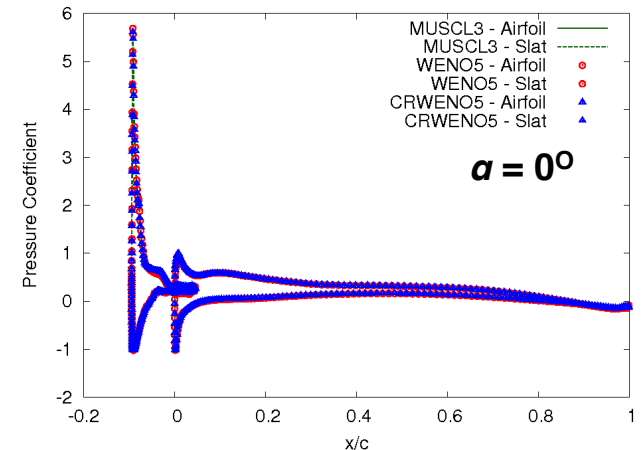
Freestream Mach = 0.283

Angle of Attack = 0° , 10°



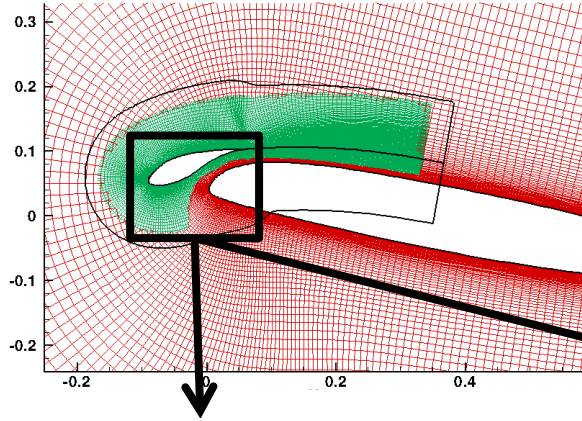
Pressure contours
(CRWENO5 w/ BDF2)

Verification of CRWENO5 scheme with non-compact MUSCL3 and WENO5 schemes

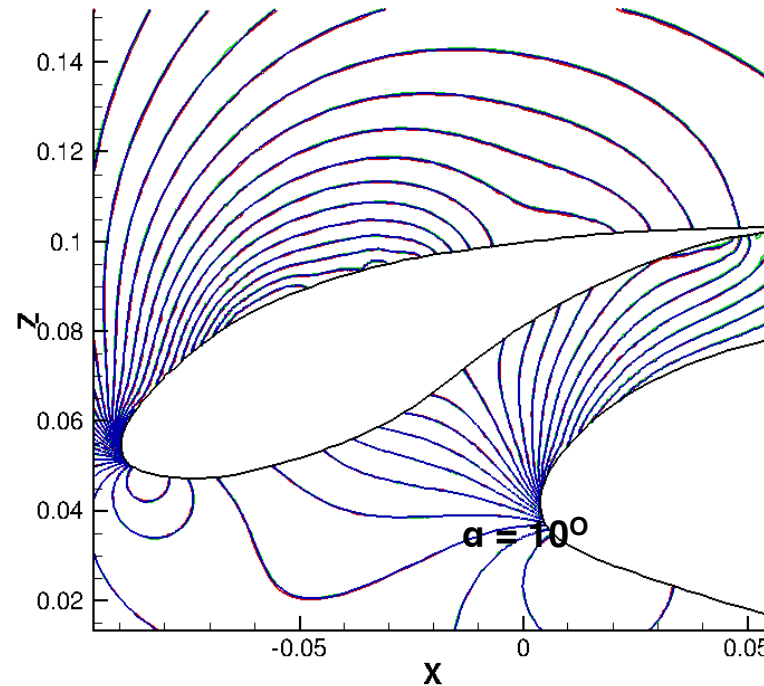
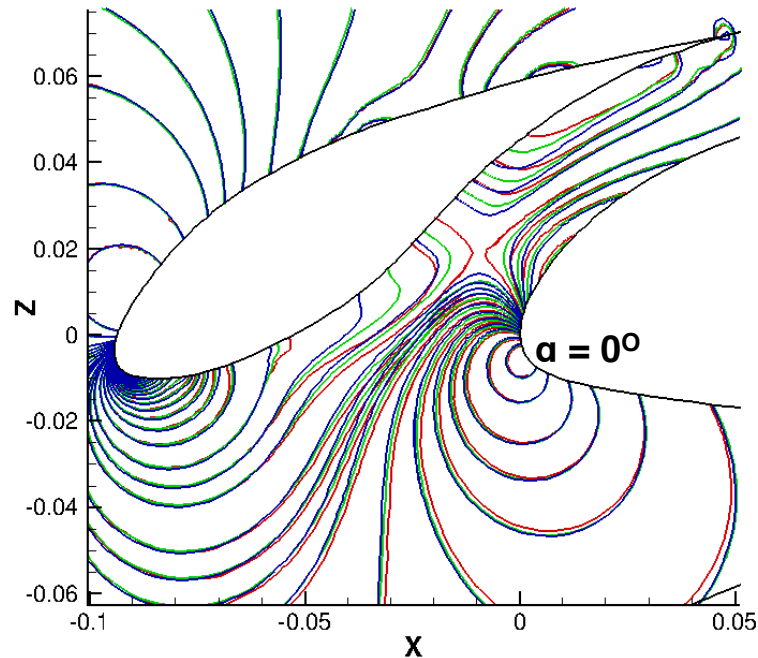


SC2110 Airfoil w/ Slat in Wind Tunnel

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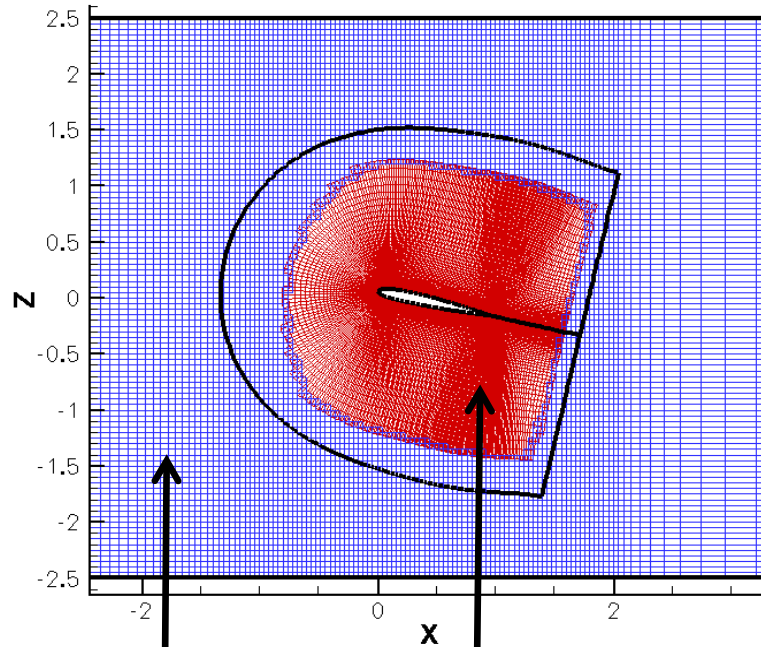
- High gradients in flow between slat and airfoil
- Overlap and solution transfer between slat and airfoil meshes
- Pressure contours from CRWENO5 compared with those from non-compact schemes



MUSCL
WENO5
CRWENO

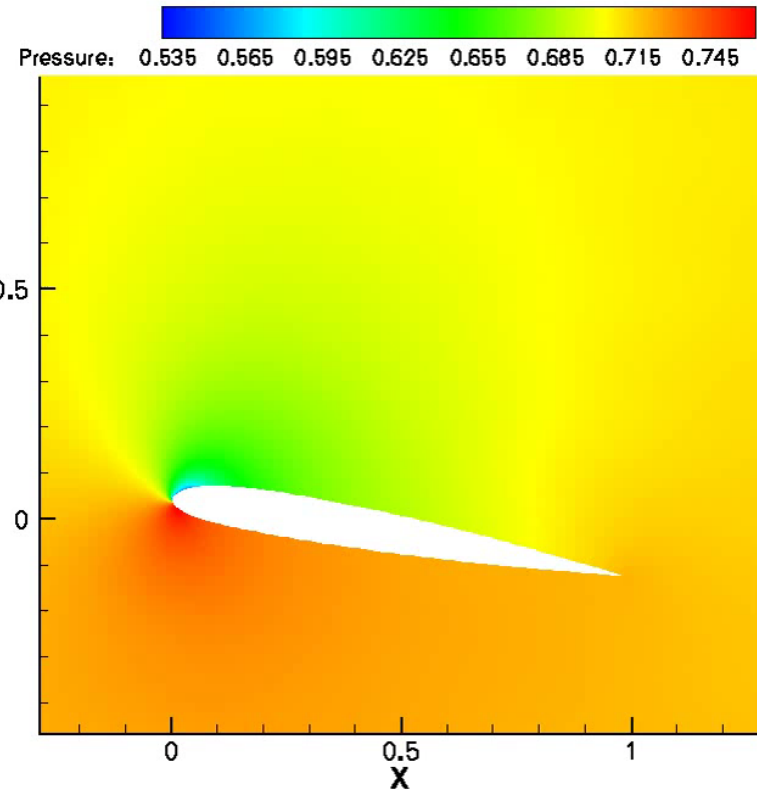
SC1095 Dynamic Stall

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Airfoil Mesh – C-type,
365x138 points

Wind Tunnel Mesh –
Clustered Cartesian,
151x101 points

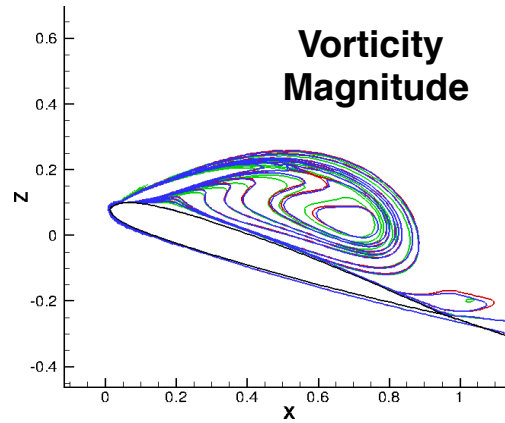
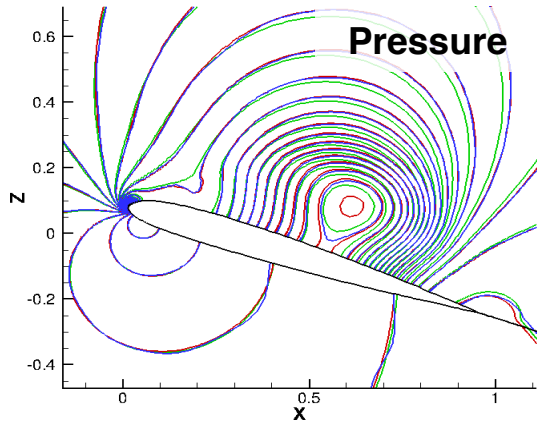


Flow Conditions:

Reynolds number: 3.92 million, Freestream Mach number 0.302
Mean angle of angle: 9.78° , Pitch Amplitude: 9.9° , Reduced
Frequency: 0.099, Tunnel height: $5c$

Numerical Solution: Time stepping: BDF2 w/ 15 sub-iterations

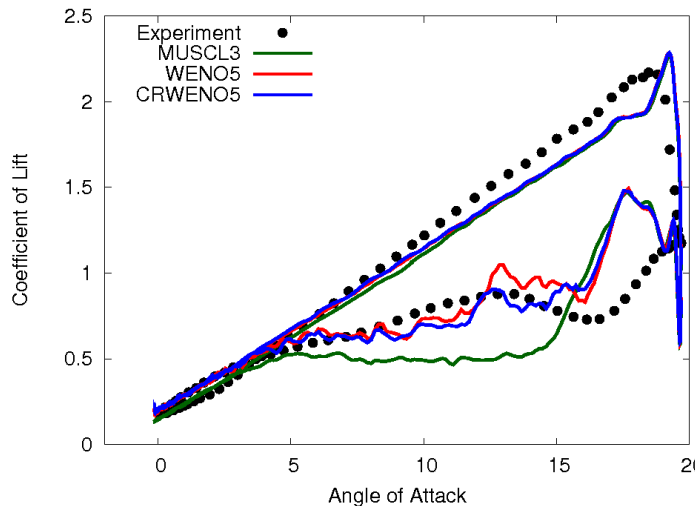
Validation for Overset Meshes w/ Grid Motion



MUSCL3

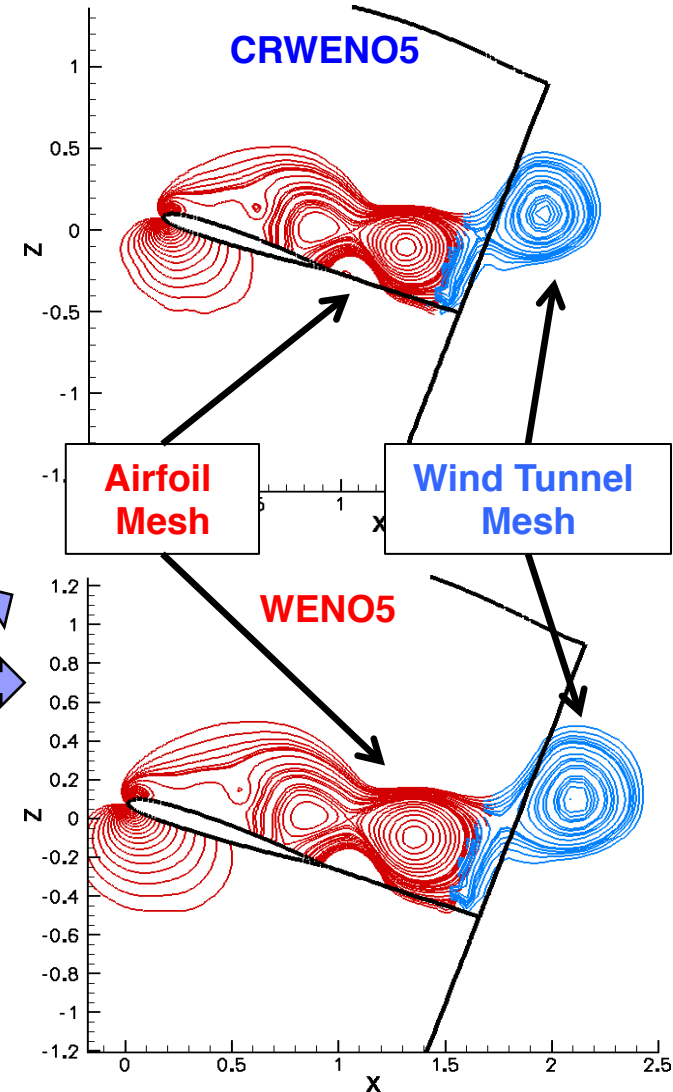
WENO5

CRWENO5



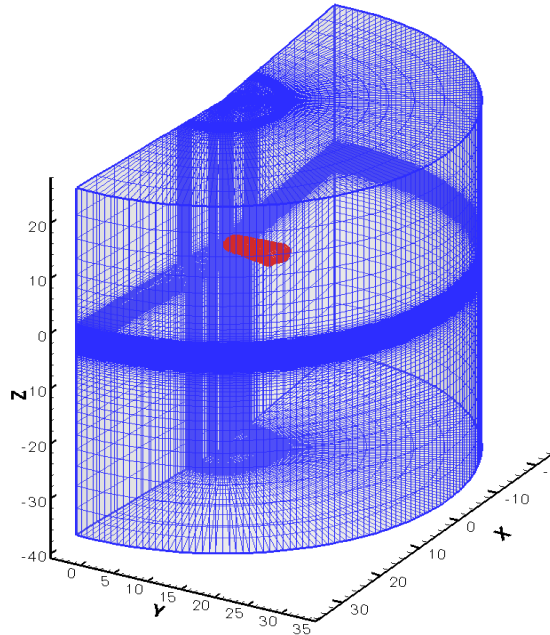
Shed vortices from upper surface

- Contour lines are continuous between airfoil and wind tunnel meshes
- Shed vortices pass smoothly between the two domains



Harrington 2-Bladed Rotor

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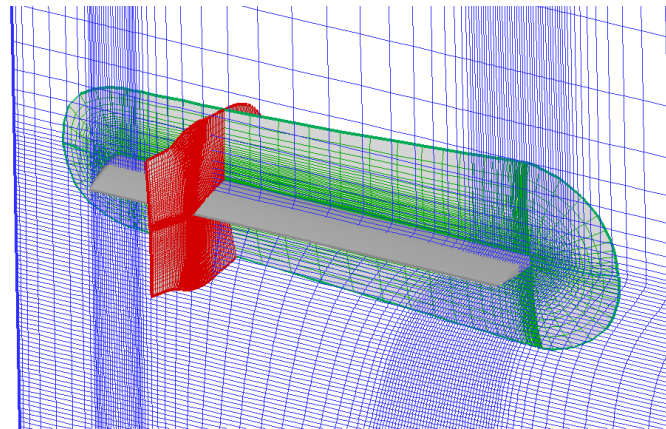


Cylindrical Back-ground Mesh

127 x 116 x 118 points

Rotor Geometry:

- Aspect Ratio – 8.33
- Airfoil section – NACA (t/c: 27.5% @ 0.2R, 15% @ R)

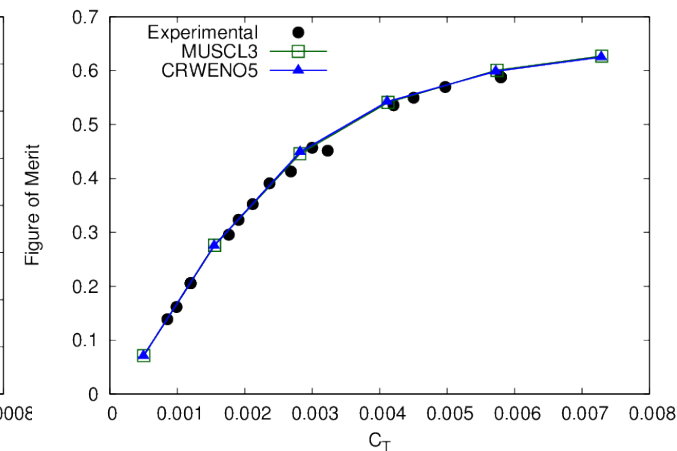
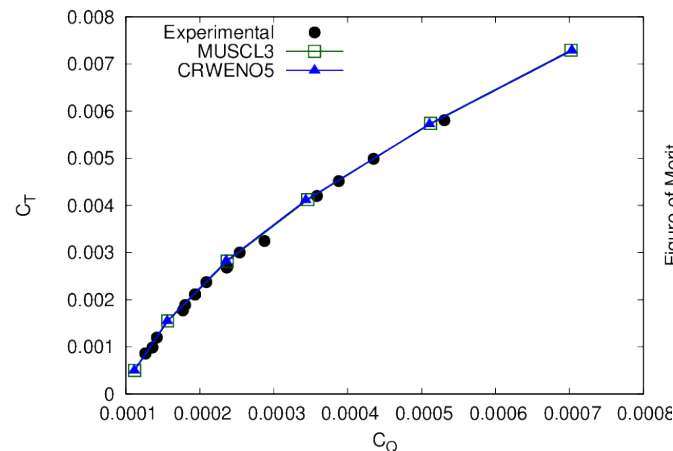


Blade Mesh – C-O type, 267x78x56 points

Flow Conditions:

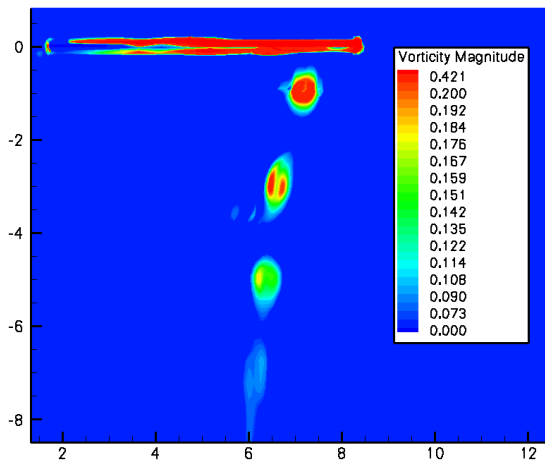
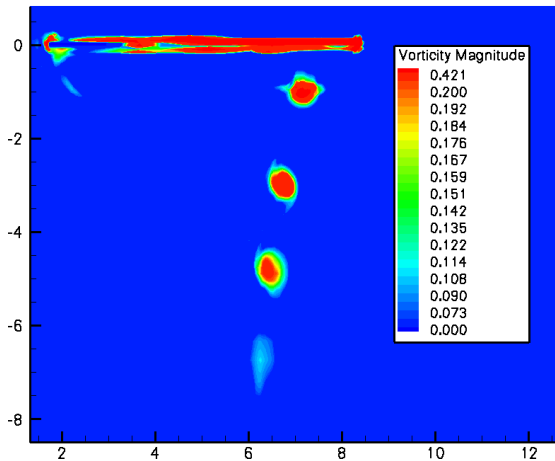
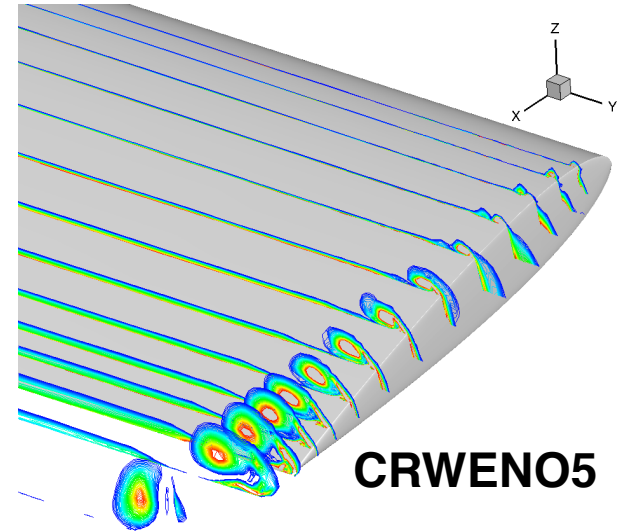
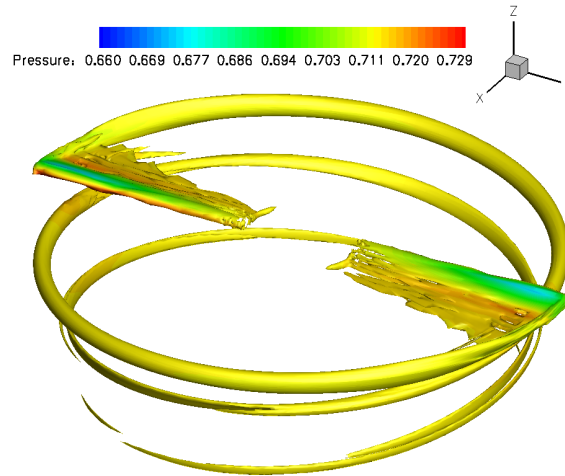
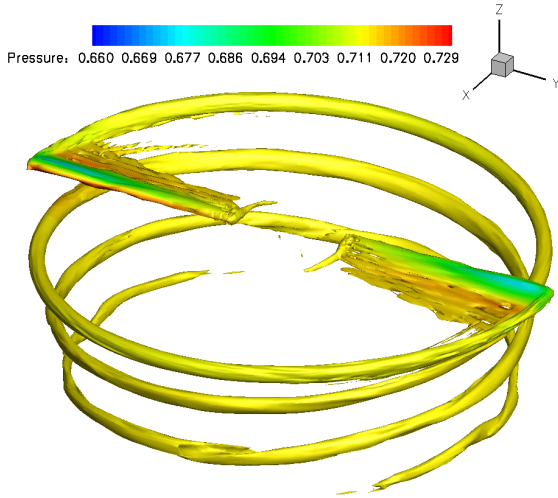
- M_{tip} : 0.352
- Re_{tip} : 3.5 million

Validation of thrust & power coefficients and figure of merit



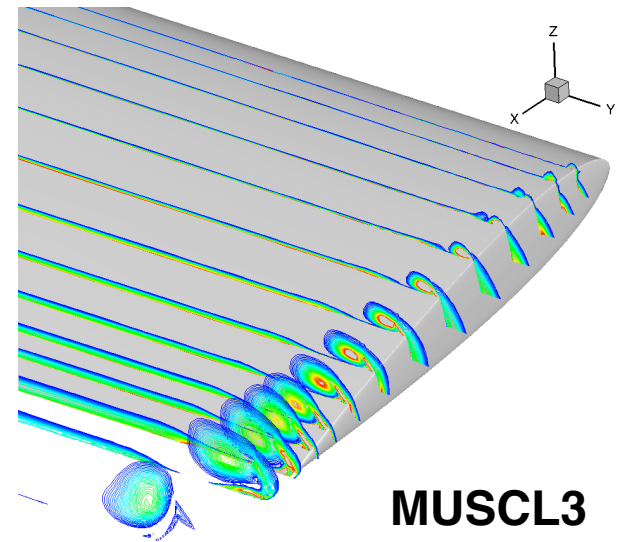
Harrington 2-Bladed Rotor (Near-Blade and Wake Flowfield)

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CRWENO5

MUSCL3



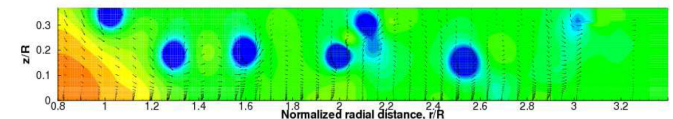
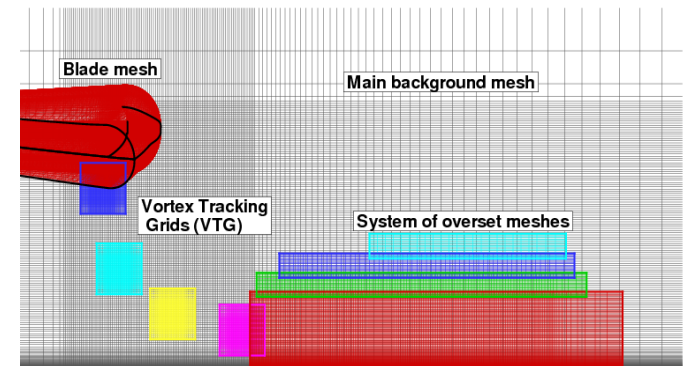
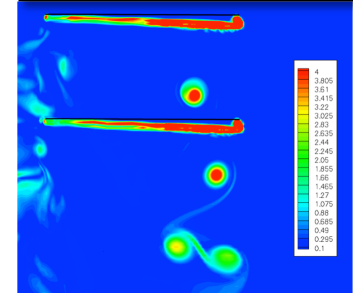
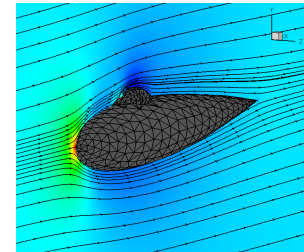
Conclusions and Future Work

CRWENO5 scheme validated and verified for overset grids

- Improved resolution of flow features due to lower numerical errors
- Slight loss of accuracy due to 2nd order interpolation between meshes
- Non-physical solution in “hole” does not pollute field solution
- Smooth transfer of solution between different grids

Future Work & Applications of CRWENO5

- Application to meshes w/ immersed boundaries
- Wake flow from coaxial configurations
- Rotorcraft wake flow when operating “in-ground-effect” (IGE)
- Accurate modeling of wake vortex interactions with ground plane
- Application of CRWENO5 scheme with Vortex-Tracking Grids (VTGs)
- Sound generation due to blade vortex interaction (BVI) for rotor in forward flight





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Thank You!
Questions?