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# Validation Study of in-house CFD tool “*Cflow*”

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# Outline

## ■ Objectives

- to validate in-house CFD tool "Cflow" from viewpoints of industry application; how to set up grid, efficiency, accuracy etc.

## ■ Case1; Cflow Solver verification

- common grid (unstructured quad)
- SA turbulence model

## ■ Case2-3; Grid/Solver validation

| Case 2A, 2B, 3 |  | Turbulence model       |                  |
|----------------|--|------------------------|------------------|
|                |  | <b><i>SA-noft2</i></b> | SA-noft2-QCR2000 |
| Grid           | Baseline Grid<br>(Boeing.Babcock.Unstructured) | X                      | X                |
|                | <i>Original grid<br/>(Cflow.NOBLU.grid)</i>    | X                      | X                |

# Backgrounds and Motivation

Kawasaki originally developed

$$\textbf{\textit{Cflow}} = \boxed{\text{Grid Generator}} + \boxed{\text{Flow Solver}}$$

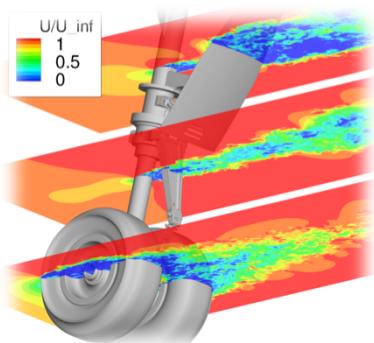
Cartesian Octree AMR  
+ layered grid

highly complicated

unsteady

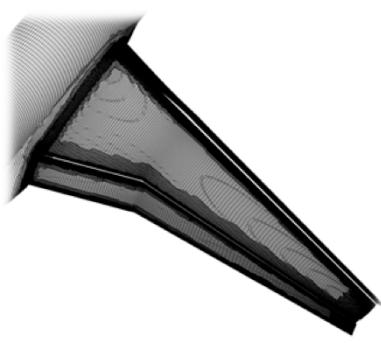
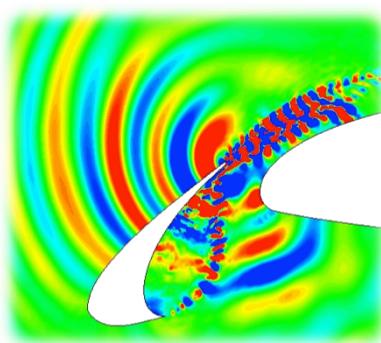
large-scale

- Participating AIAA workshop becomes a driving force for development and validation of CFD tools.

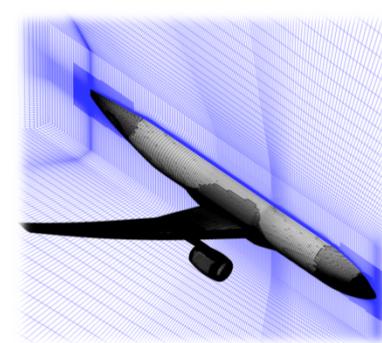


2010-2016  
BANC I-IV

Aeroacoustic analysis



2013  
HiLift-PW2



2016  
DPW6 (present)

Aerodynamic analysis

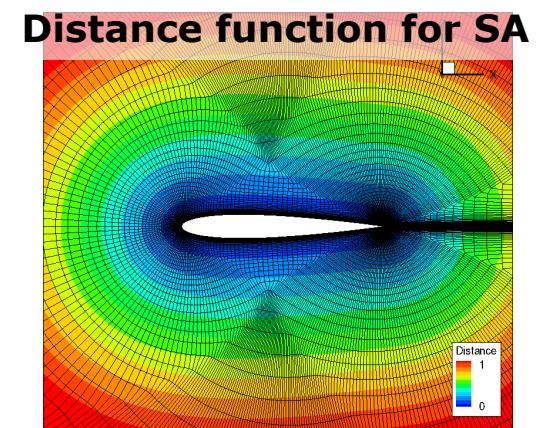
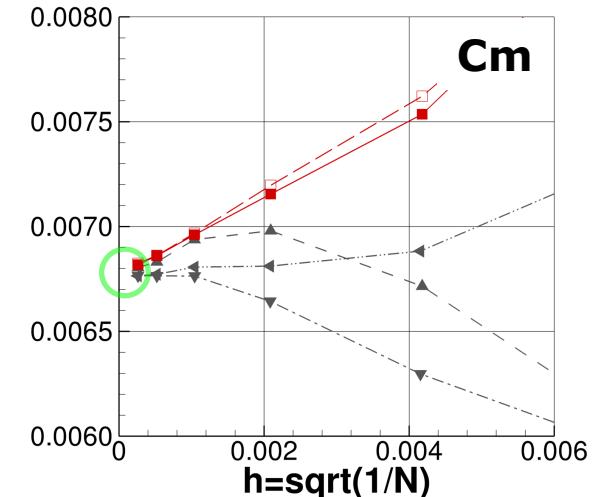
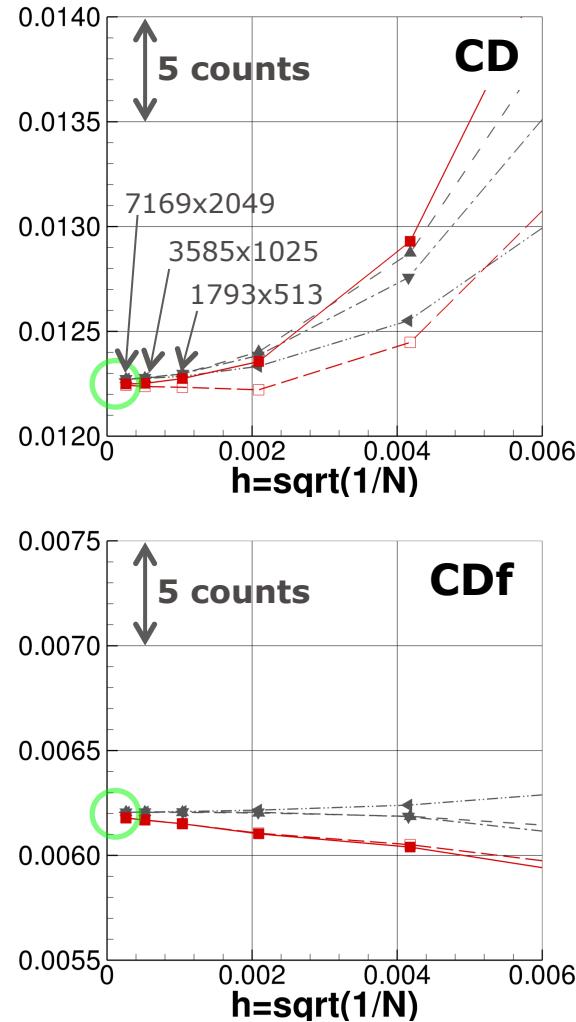
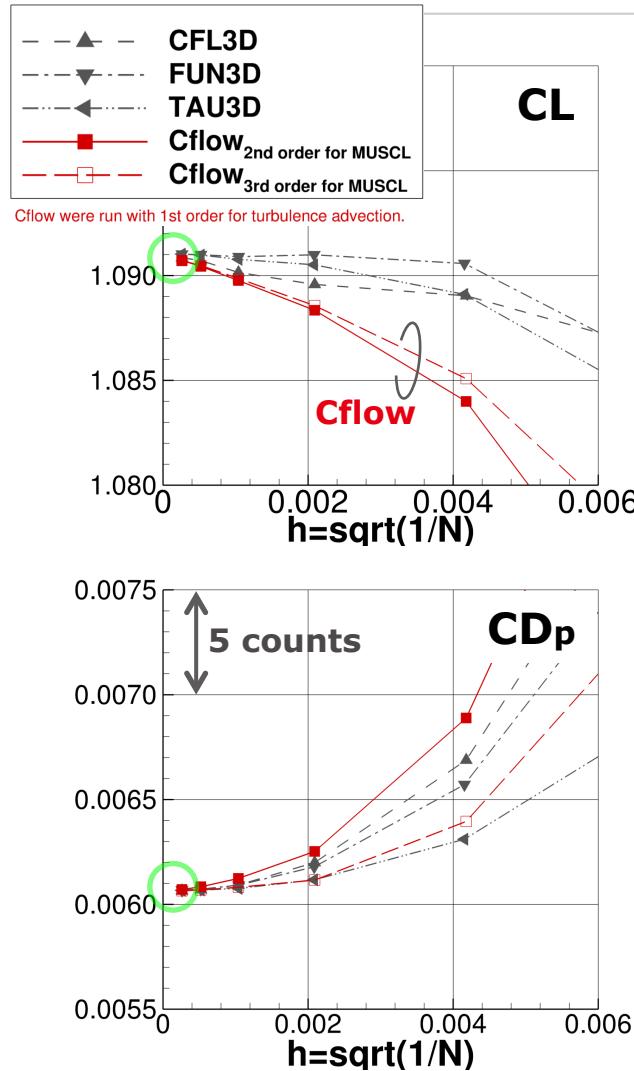
# Numerical schemes of flow solver “Cflow”

**Cflow** = Grid Generator + **Flow Solver**

- Grid System
  - Unstructured hybrid grid (polyhedral cells)
- Governing equation
  - Compressible Navier-Stokes equations (**RANS**)
- Time integration
  - 2nd-order Matrix Free Gauss-Seidel (**MFGS**) implicit method
- Spatial discretization
  - **Cell-centered** finite volume method
  - Simple Low-dissipation AUSM scheme (**SLAU**)
  - 2nd-order accurate unstructured-MUSCL based reconstruction
- Turbulence modeling
  - Spalart-Allmaras (**SA-noft2**, SA-noft2-QCR2000)
- Parallel computation
  - MPI

# Case1 : Verification Study

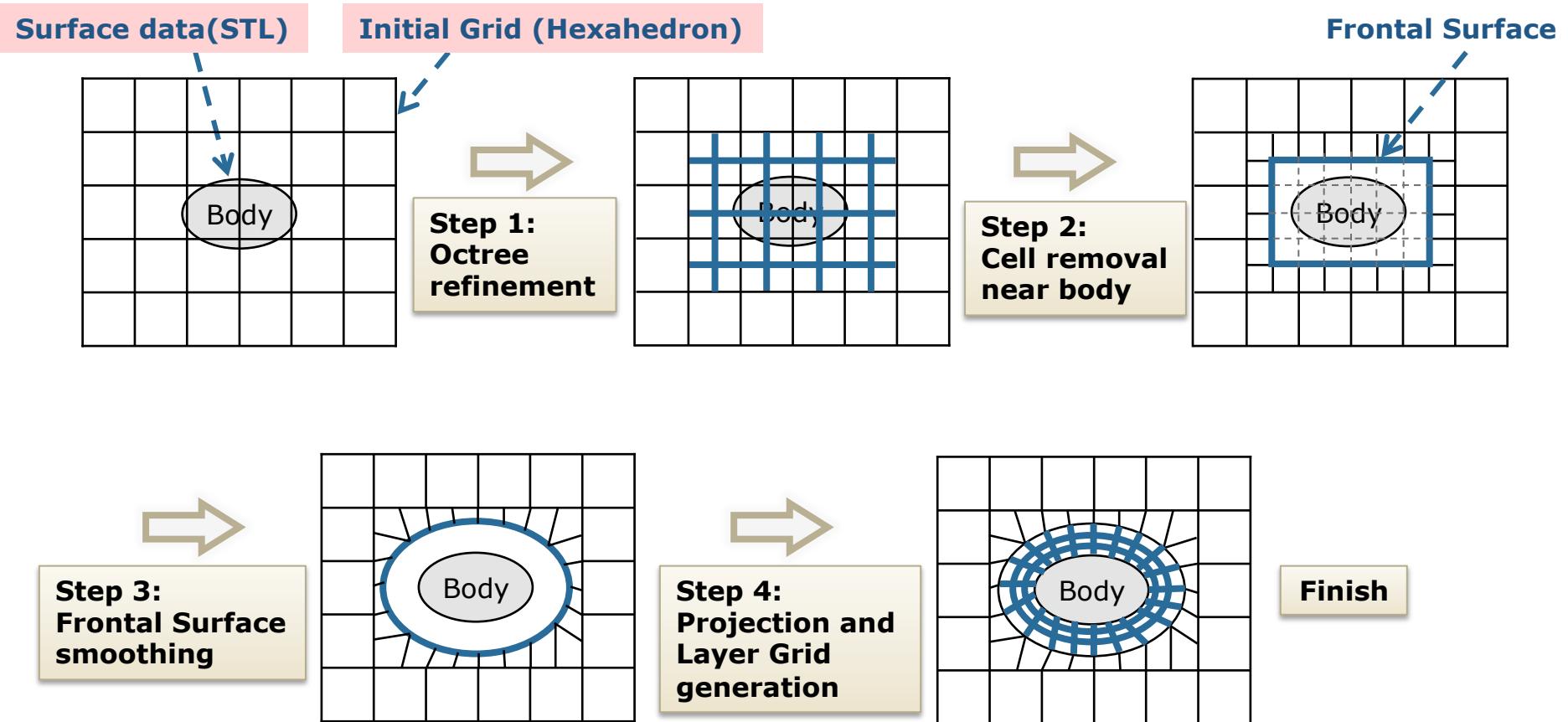
## FAMILY II UNSTRUCTURED QUAD VERSIONS OF GRIDS



**Cflow achieved equivalent convergence with other codes.**

# "Cflow" Grid Generation Procedure

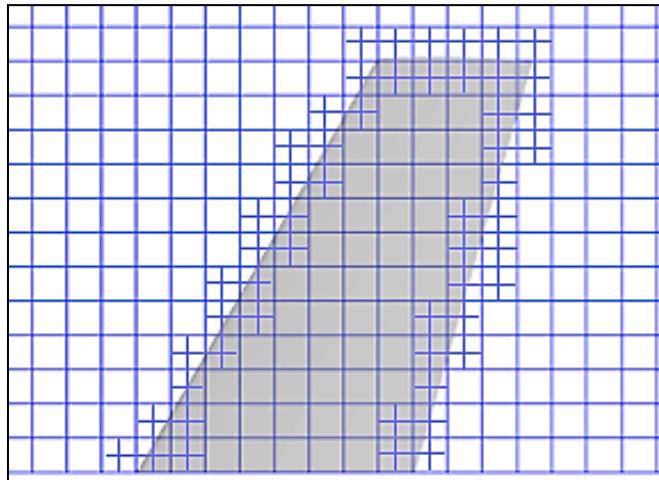
**Cflow** = **Grid Generator** + Flow Solver



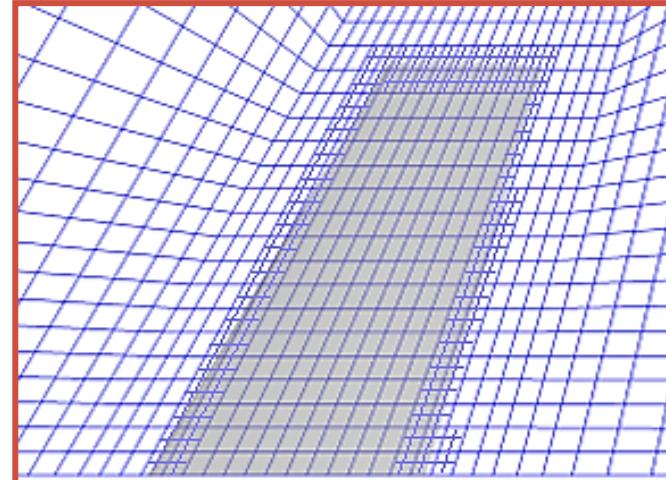
**Cflow** conducts automatic Cartesian based grid generation with octree Adaptive Mesh Refinement, and with Layered grid near surface for boundary layer.

# Characteristics of Cflow Grid

***NOBLU (Non-orthogonal Octree Boundary-fitted Layer Unstructured) Grid***



Conventional Cartesian

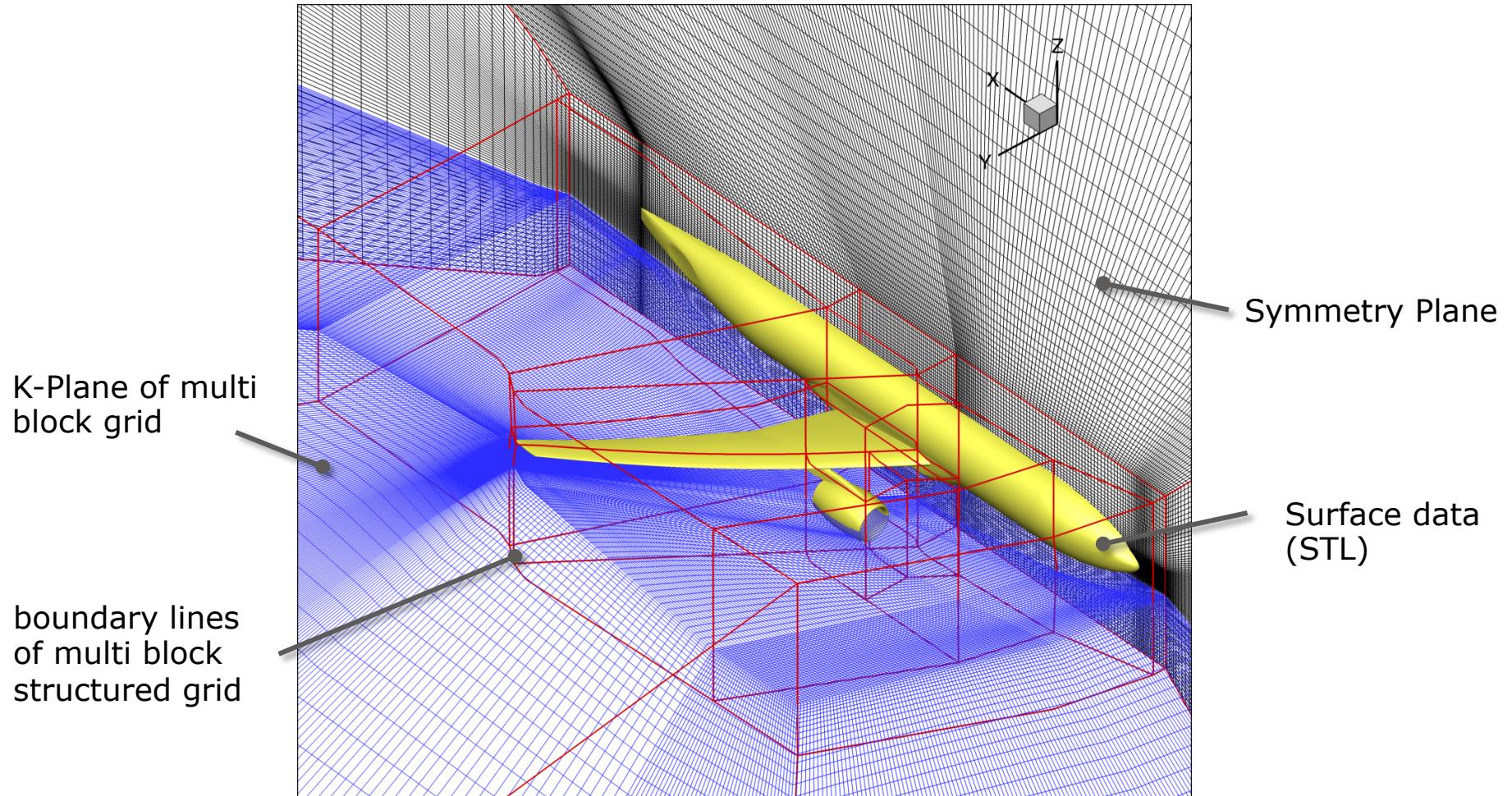


***Non-Orthogonal Initial Grid***

**Efficient**

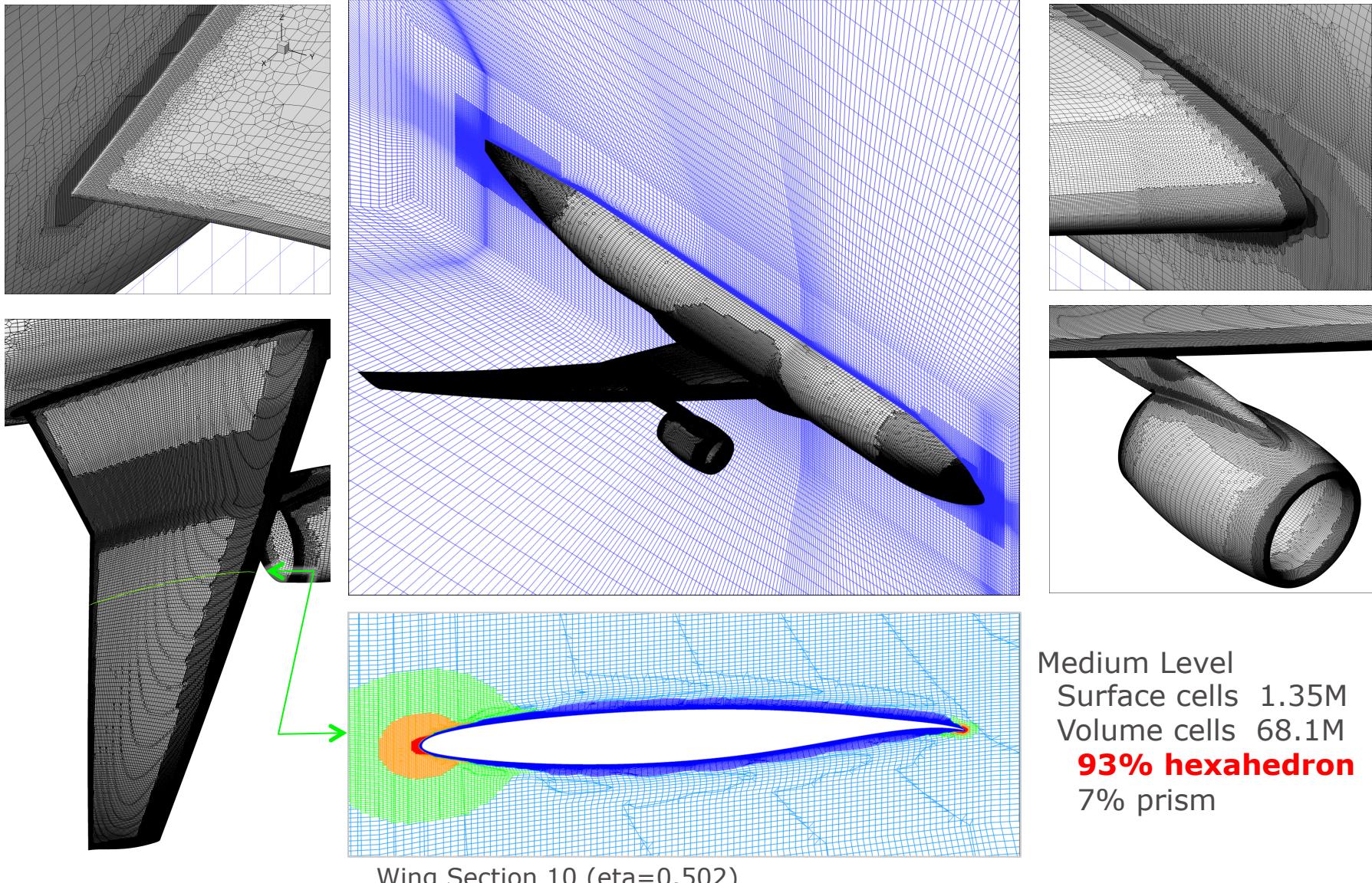
- Cflow adopts “**Non-Orthogonal Initial Grid**” to increase flexibility for high aspect ratio and sweptback configuration
- Controlling the grid spacing and aspect ratio of “Initial Grid” can achieve higher resolution around leading and trailing edge and can reduce the number of grid points.

# Case2&3; CRM WB/WBNP Configuration Non-orthogonal Initial Grid Setup

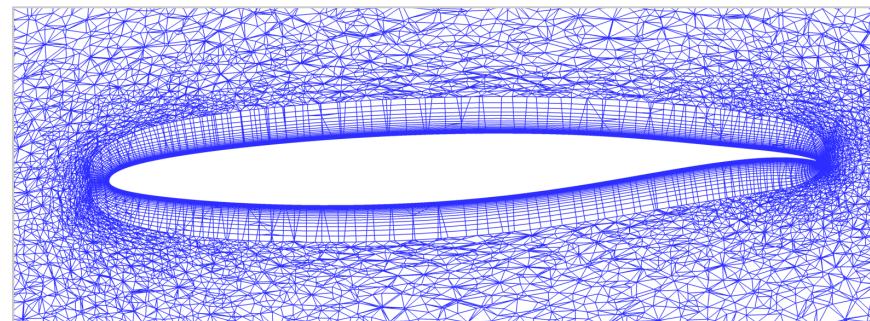
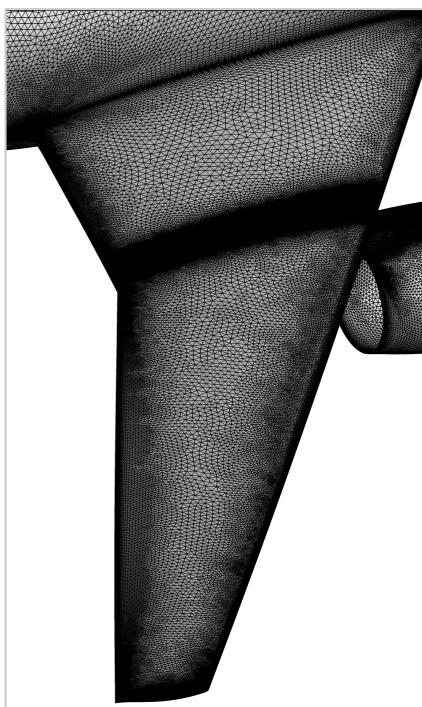
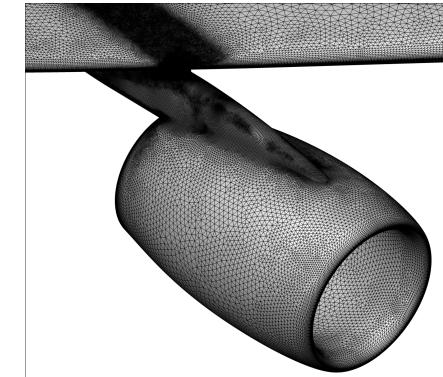
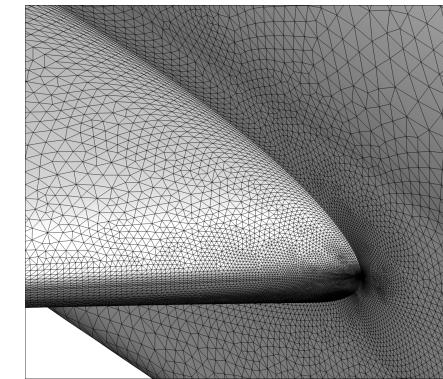
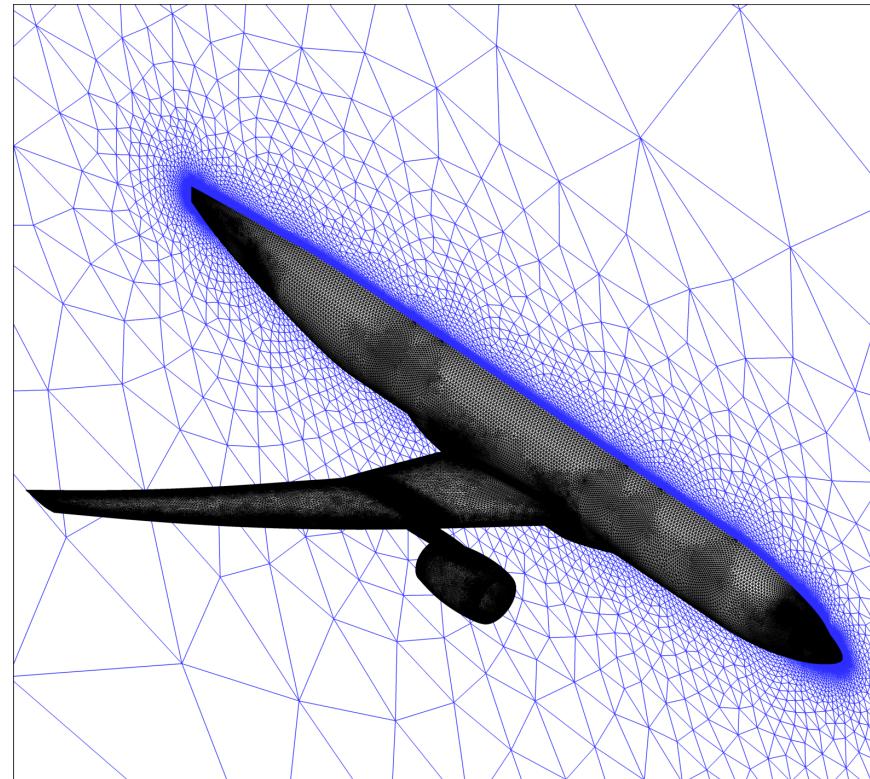
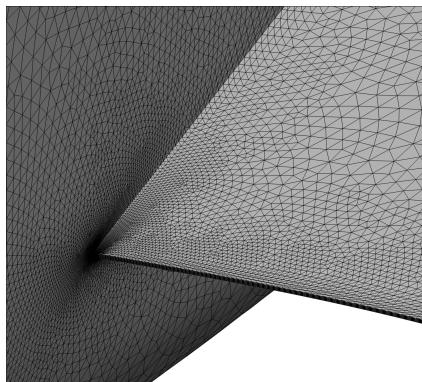


**One Initial grid is compatible with WB/WBNP, aeroelastic shape change.**

# Case2&3; Cflow.NOBLU Grid



# Case2&3; Baseline Grid (Boeing.Babcock.Unstructured.CC.REV00)

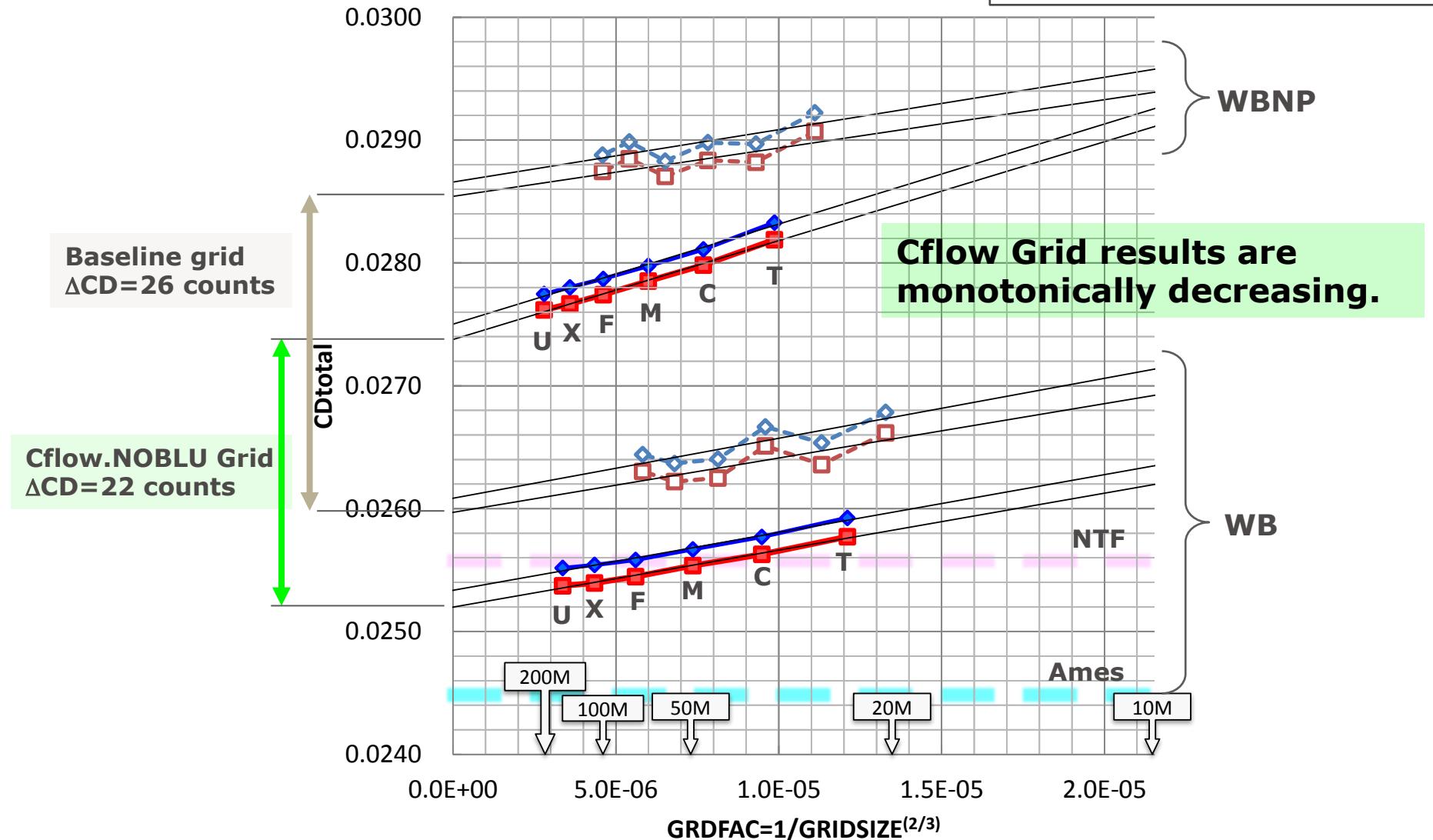


Wing Section 10 ( $\eta=0.502$ )

Medium Level  
Surface cells 0.75M  
Volume cells 45.7M  
**35% Tetra**  
**65% Prism**  
**0.1% Pyramid**

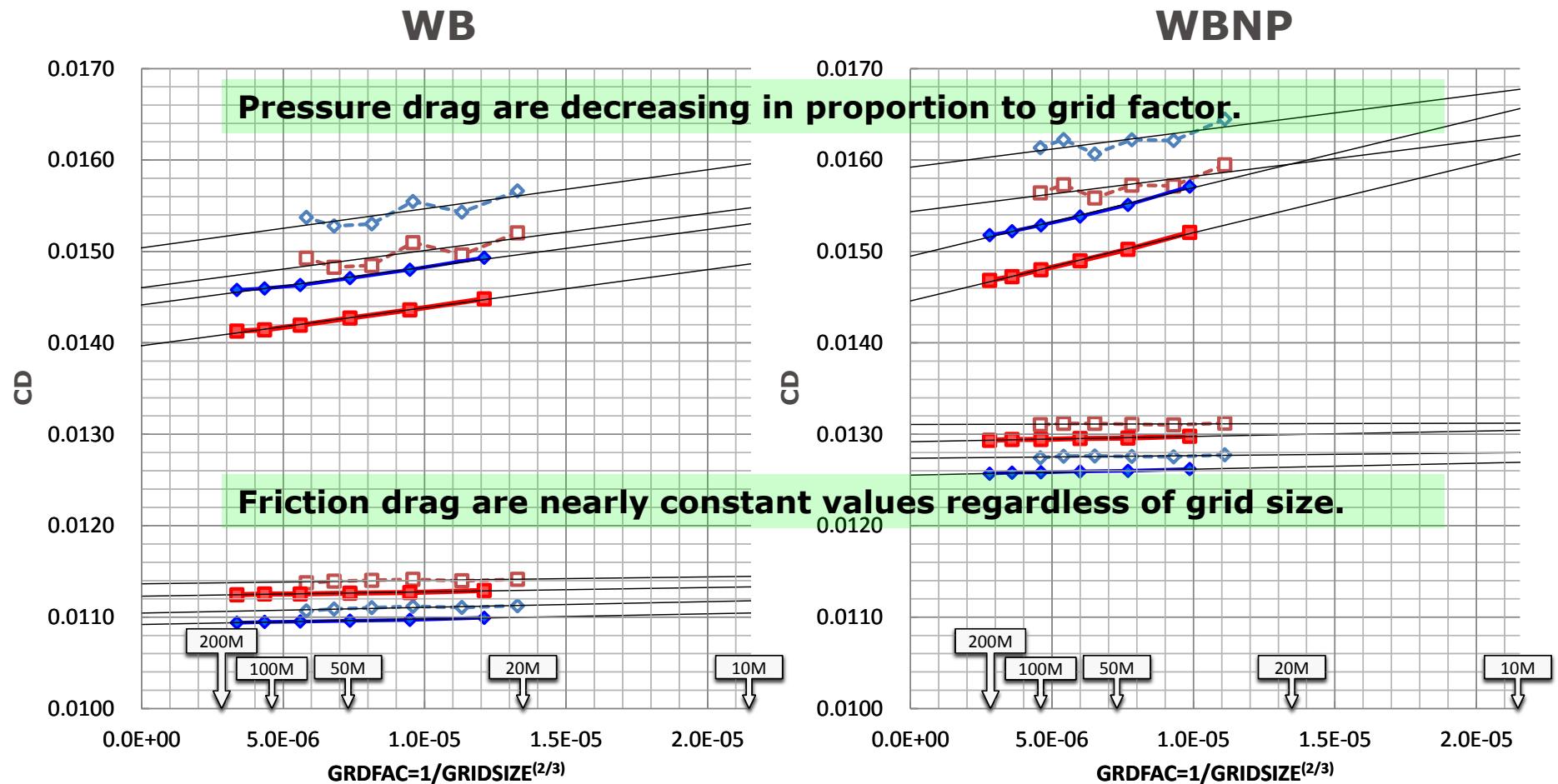
# Case2 : Grid Convergence CD\_total, WB/WBNP

- Cflow Grid, SA-noft2
- ◆ Cflow Grid, SA-noft2-QCR2000
- Baseline Grid, SA-noft2
- ◇ Baseline Grid, SA-noft2-QCR2000



# Case2 : Grid Convergence Drag breakdown, WB/WBNP

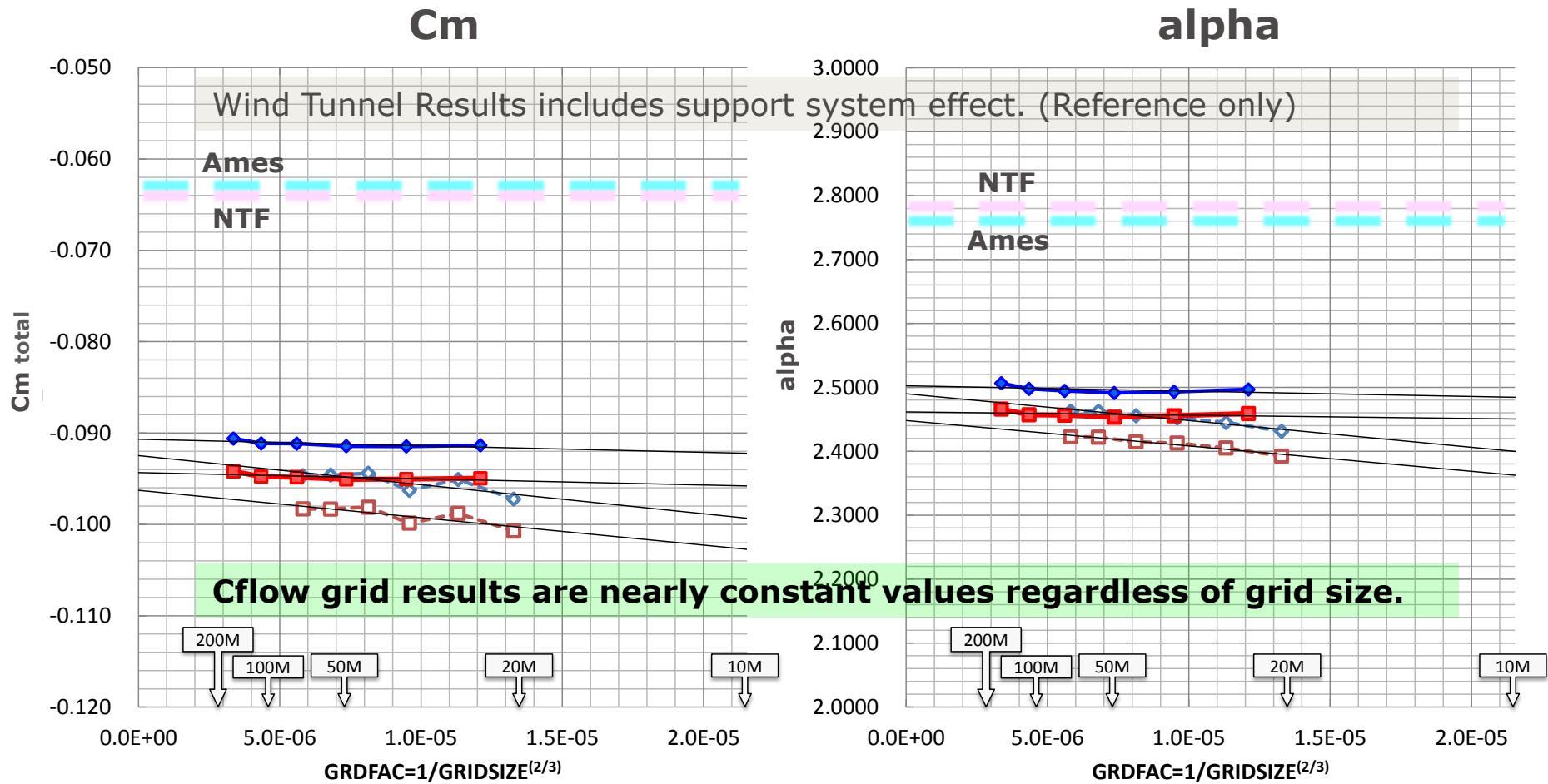
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# Case2 : Grid Convergence

## Cm and alpha, WB

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- Baseline Grid, SA-noft2
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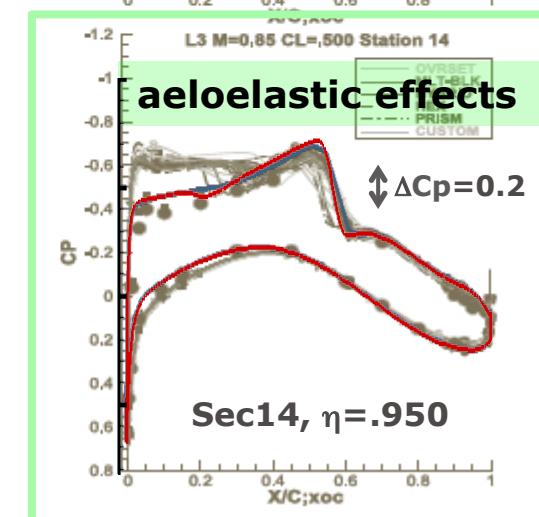
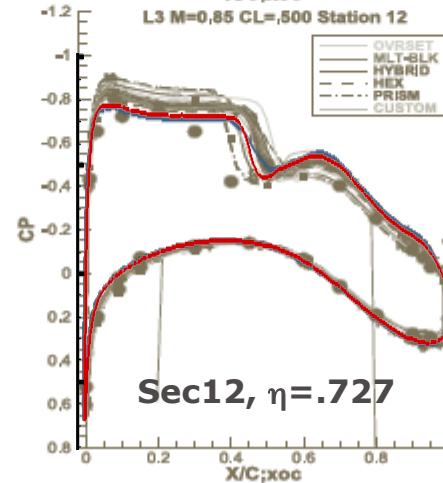
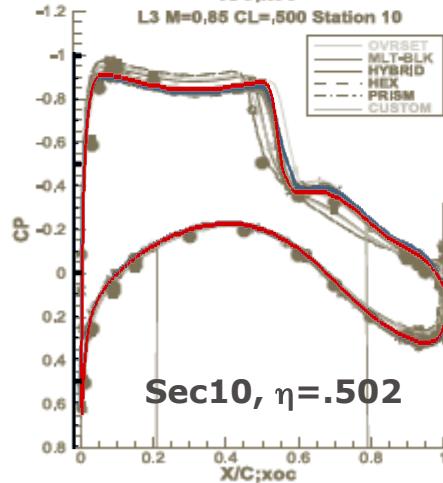
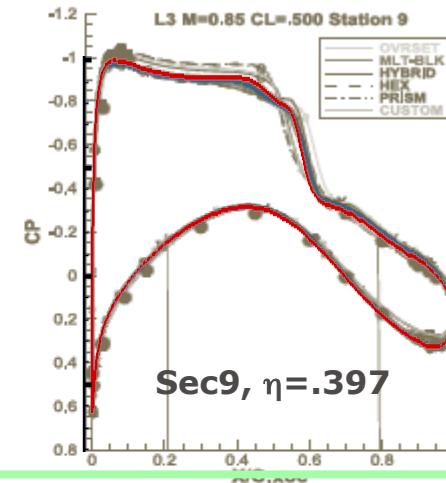
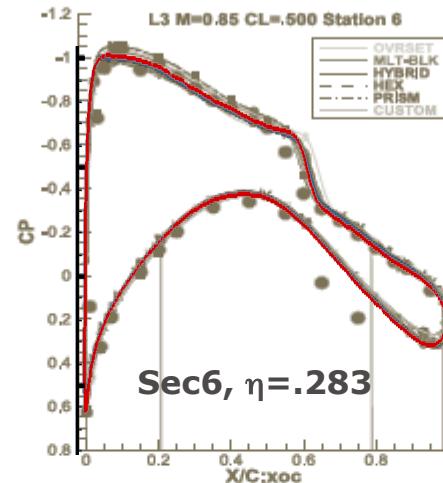
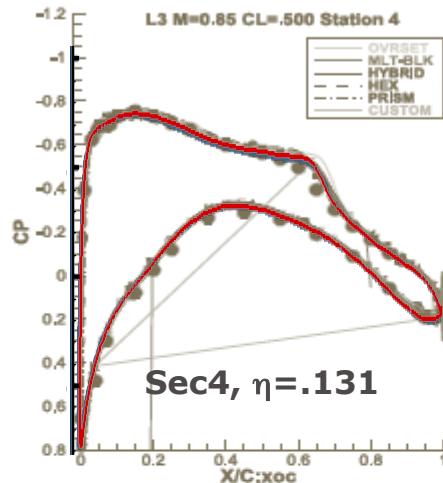


# Case2 WB : spanwise Cp variation

Cflow Grid, SA-noft2  
Baseline Grid, SA-noft2

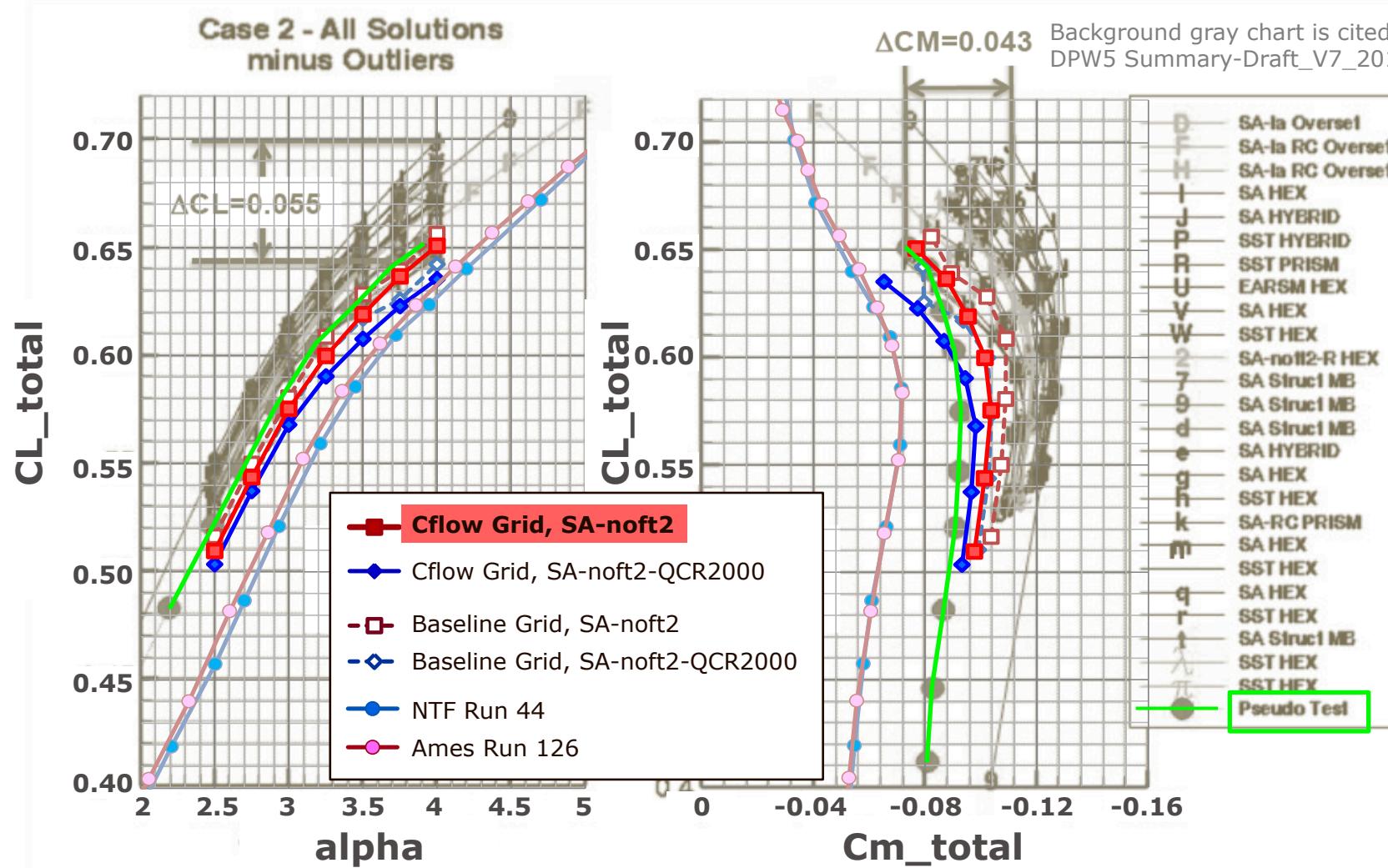
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DPW5 Summary-Draft\_V7\_2012.pdf, p.45

Case 1: Level 3 Grid, M=0.85, C<sub>L</sub>=.50  
Spanwise Variation



# Case3 : CRM WB Static Aero-Elastic Effect CL-alpha, CL-Cm

DPW5 : Rigid shape  
DPW6 : Aeroelastic shape

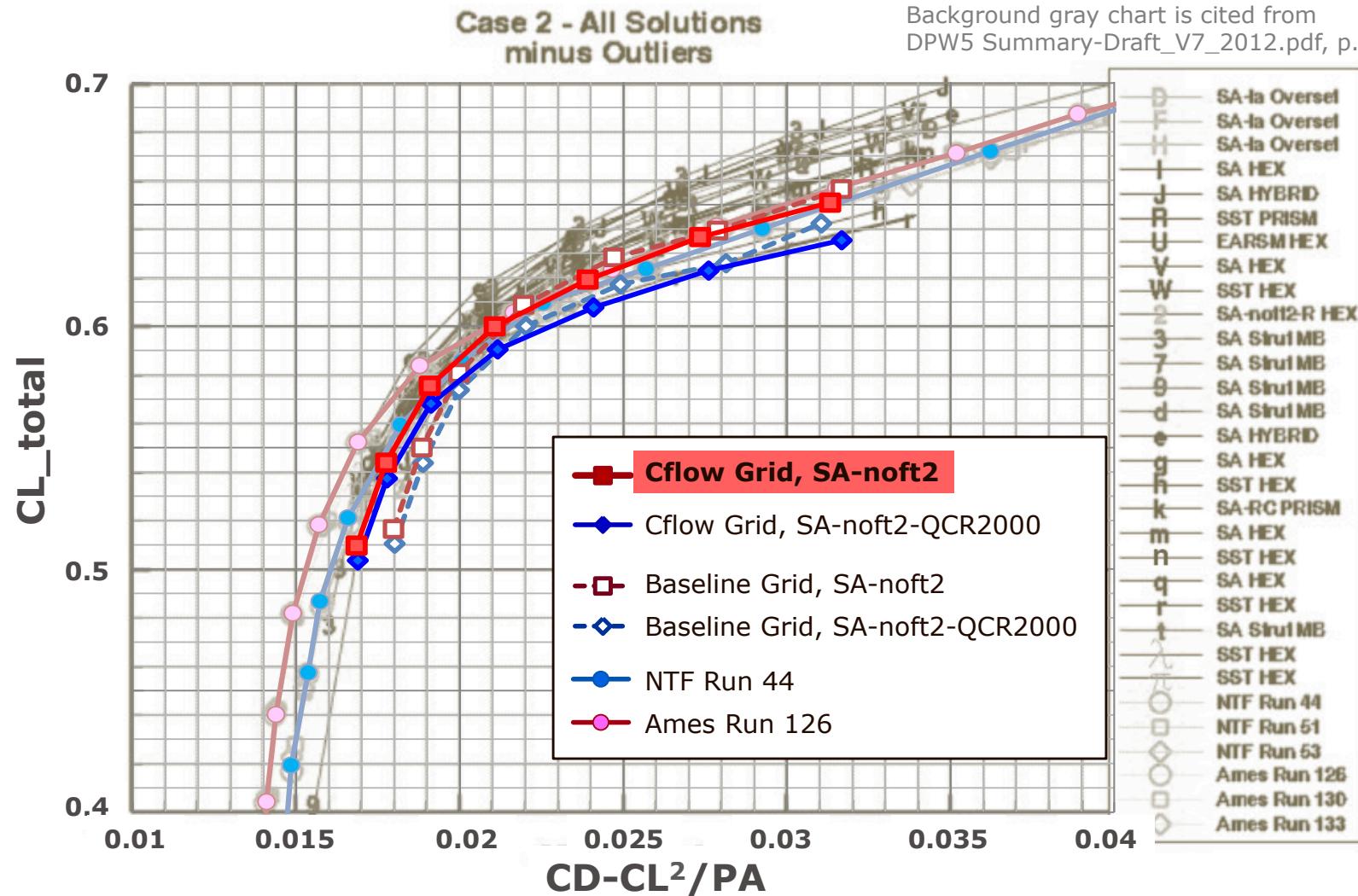


Pseudo Test data based on NTF test data modified by results from AIAA-2012-3209

**"Cflow grid, SA-noft2" corresponds to Pseudo Test data.**

# Case3 : CRM WB Static Aero-Elastic Effect Drag Polar

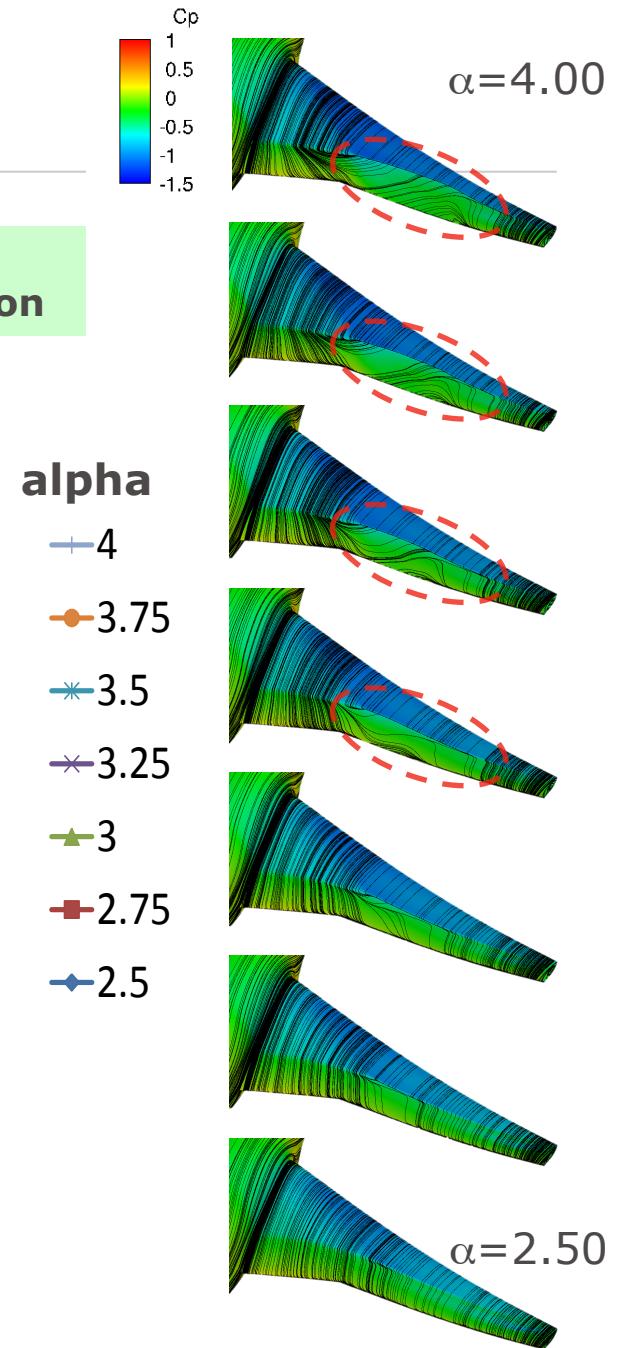
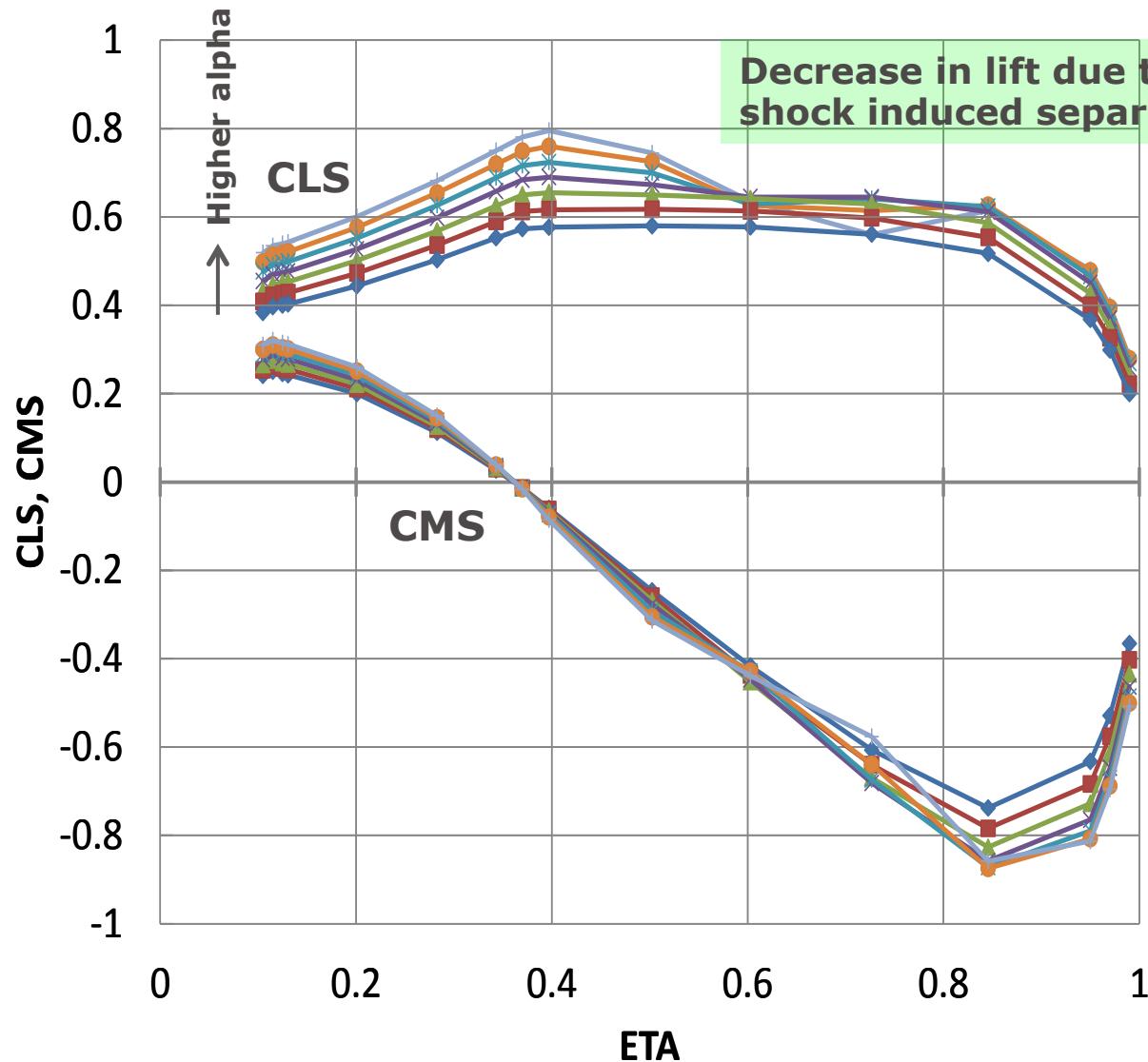
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"Cflow grid, SA-noft2" is good agreement with WT Test data.

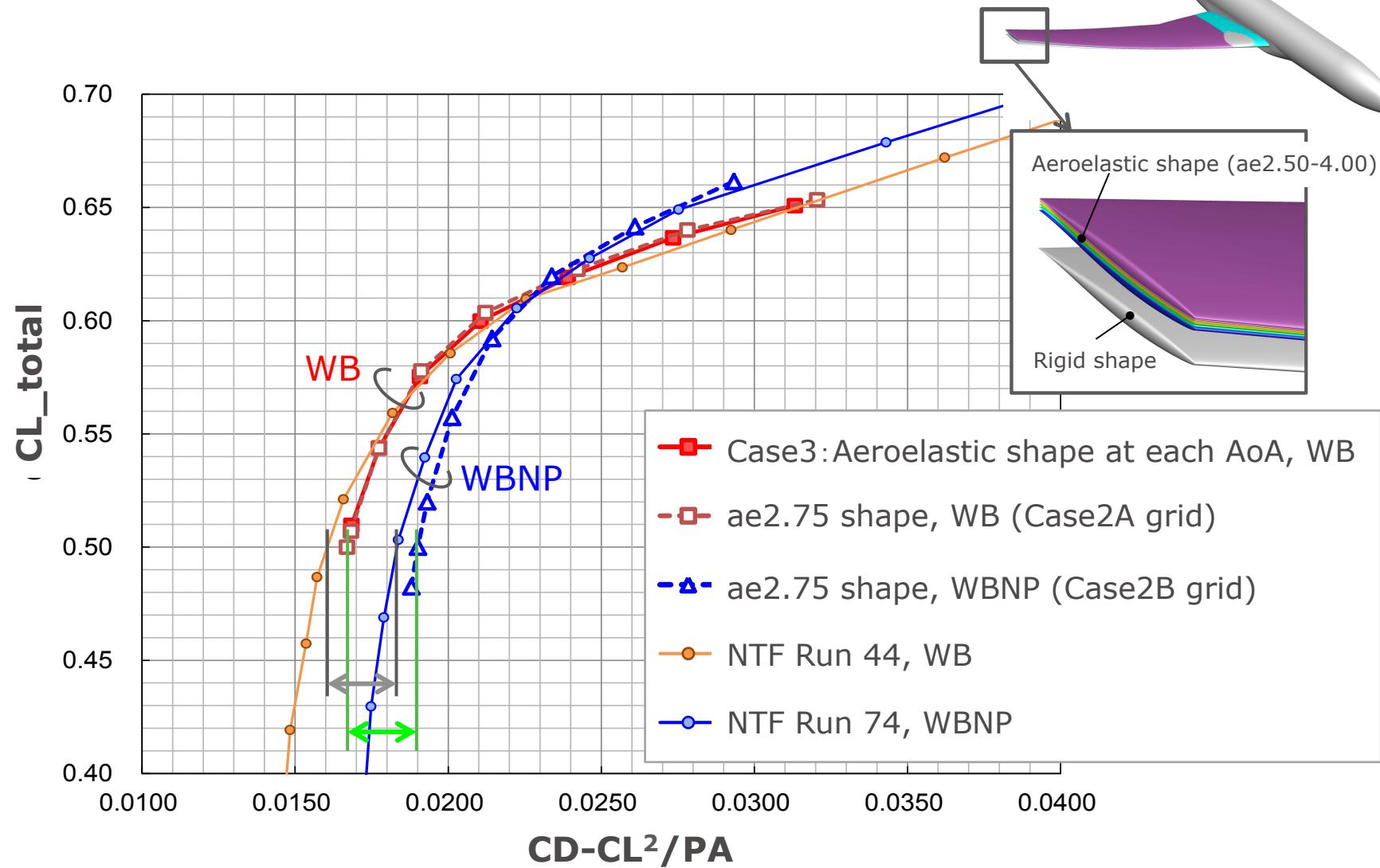
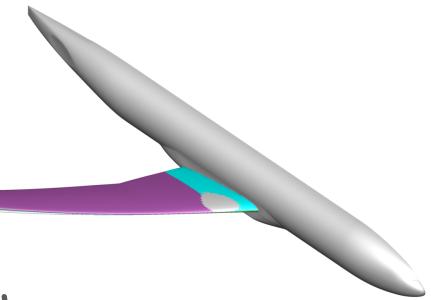
# Case3 Sectional Lift & Moment

Cflow.NOBLU Grid, SA-noft2



# CRM Nacelle/Pylon Drag Increment

Cflow.NOBLU Grid, SA-noft2



**CFD Nacelle/Pylon drag increment is good agreement with WT Test data.**

# Summary

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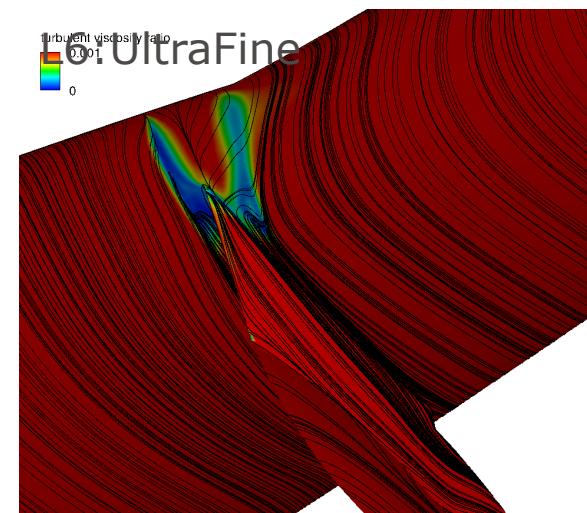
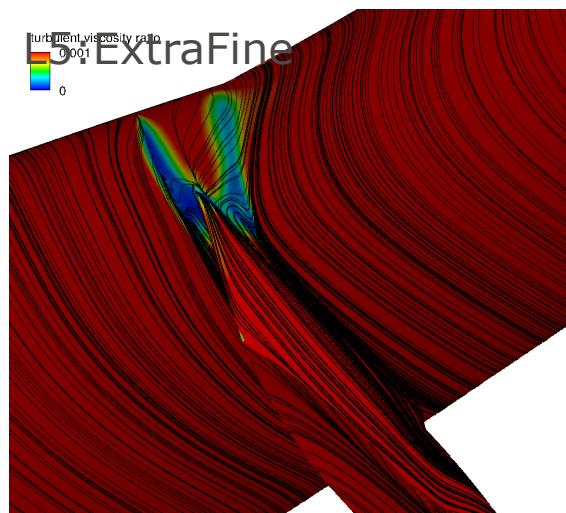
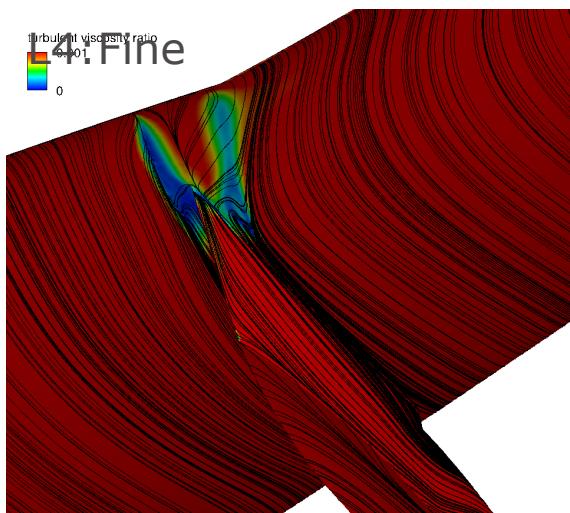
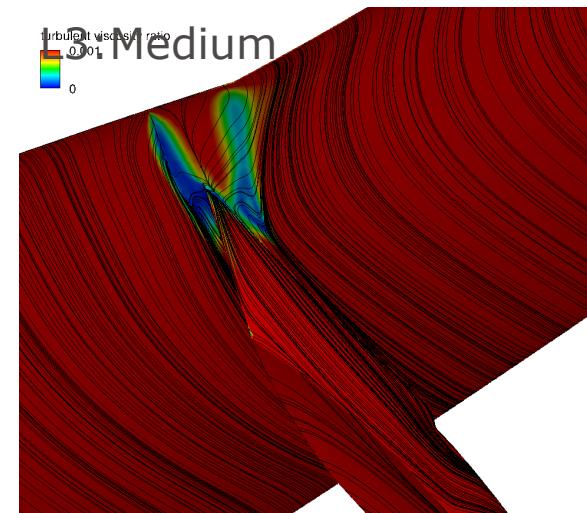
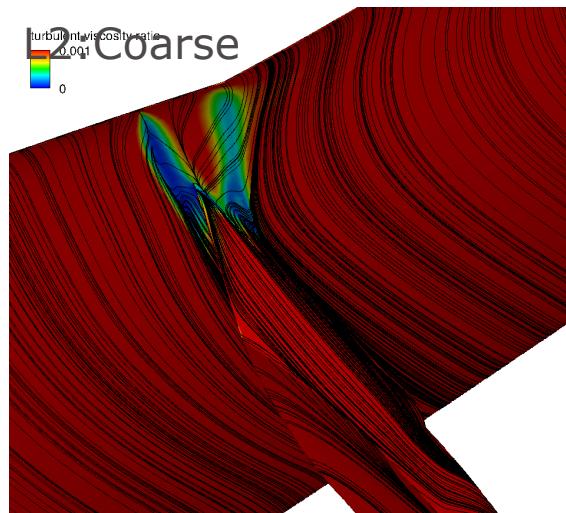
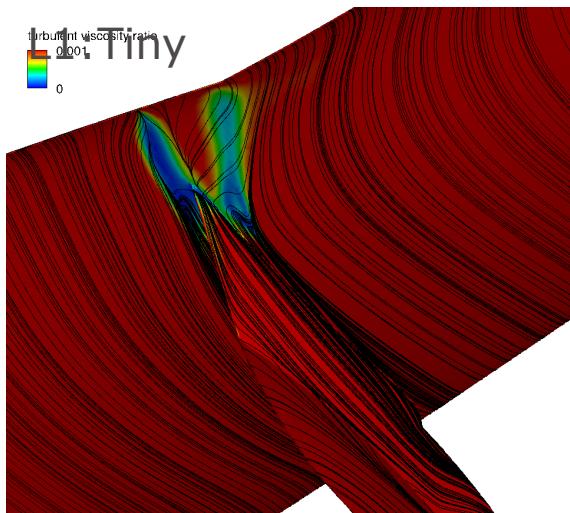
- Validation study of Kawasaki in-house CFD tool “Cflow” was conducted
  - Case1: Solver Verification
    - Cflow solver achieved equivalent convergence with other codes.
  - Case2: Grid convergence
    - Cflow original “NOBLU Grid” were applied to CRM WB/WBNP config.
    - CD<sub>total</sub> and CD<sub>p</sub> were monotonically decreasing
    - CL, CD<sub>f</sub>, C<sub>m</sub>, and  $\alpha$  were nearly constant values regardless of grid size
  - Case3: Aeroelastic effect
    - Both aerodynamic characteristics and Nacelle/Pylon drag increment were good agreement with WT Test data.
- Future Work
  - further study on turbulence model effect, baseline grid, etc.
  - enhance grid generator function of feature preservation
  - participate in HiLift-PW3

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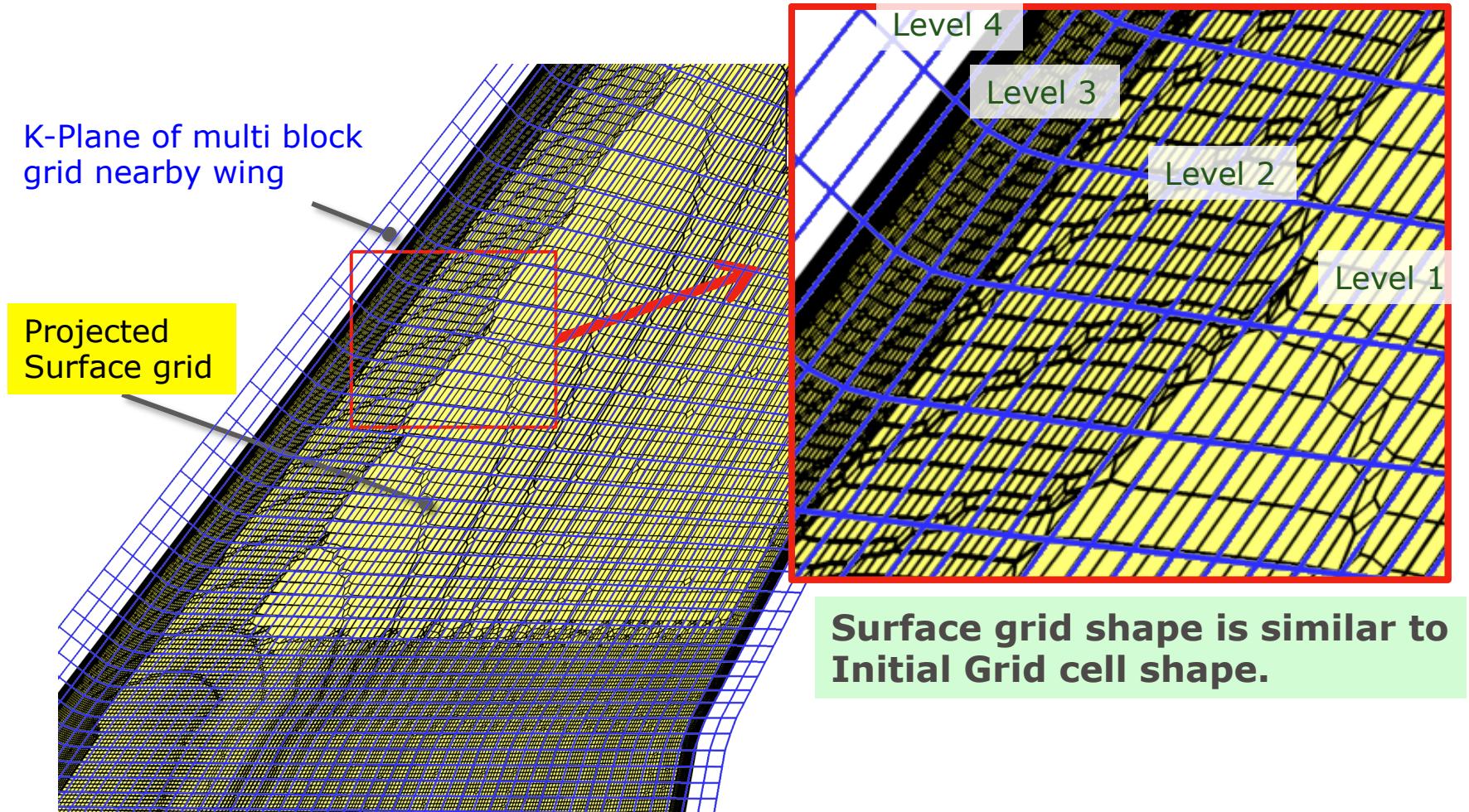
# Case 2B

## Cf, oilflow

WBNP, Cflow NOBLU Grid, SA-noft2

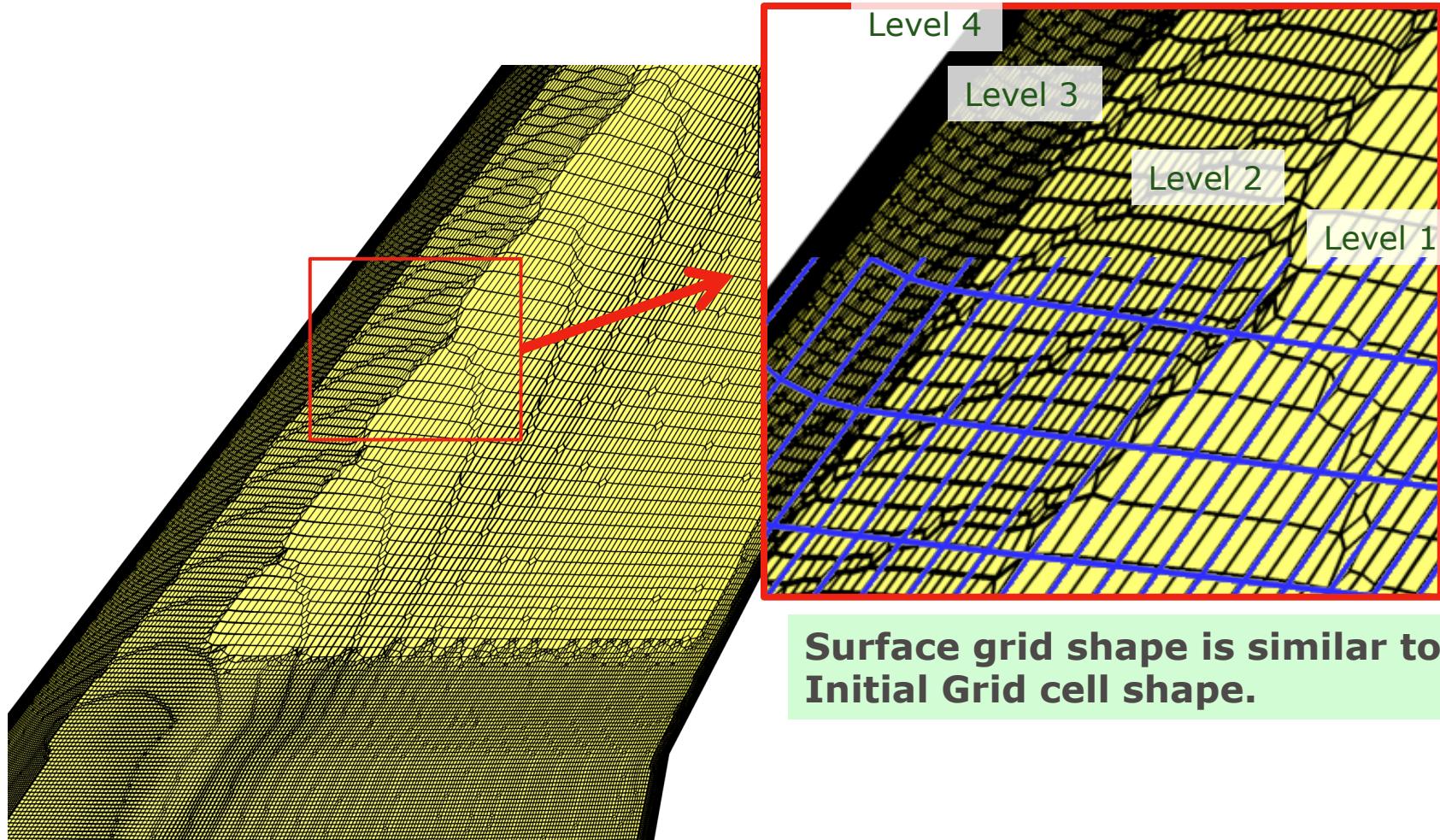


## Case2&3; Cflow.NOBLU Grid



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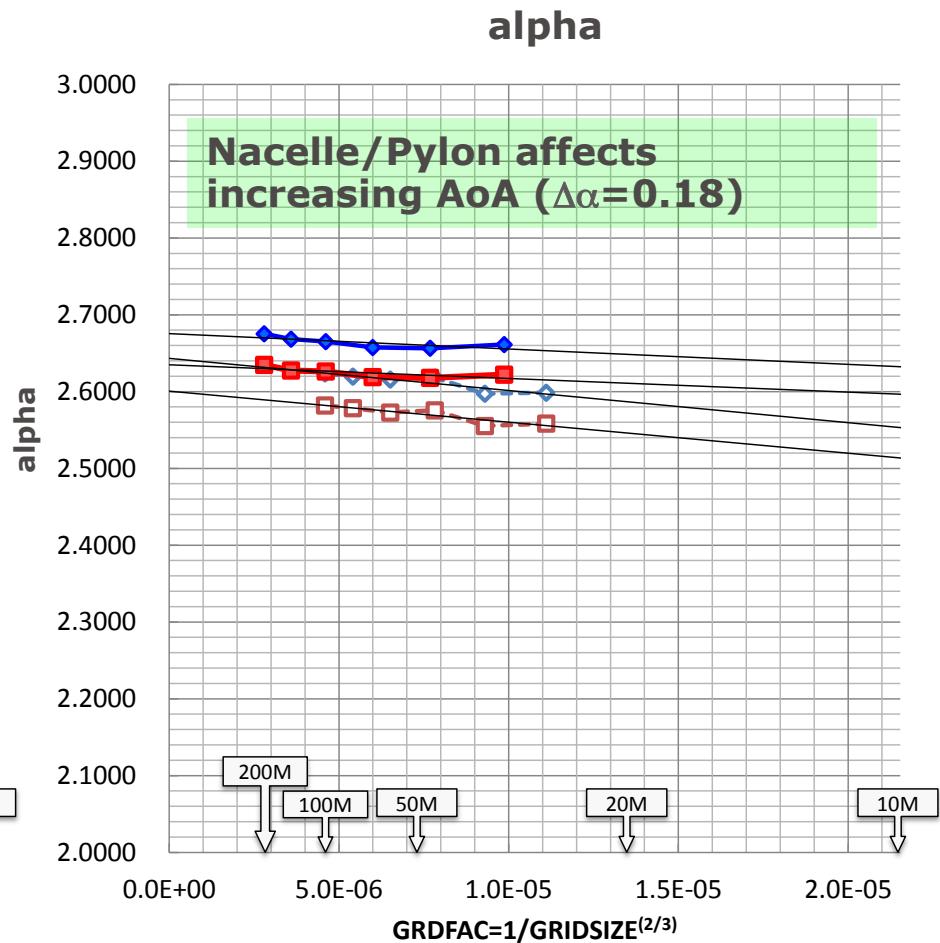
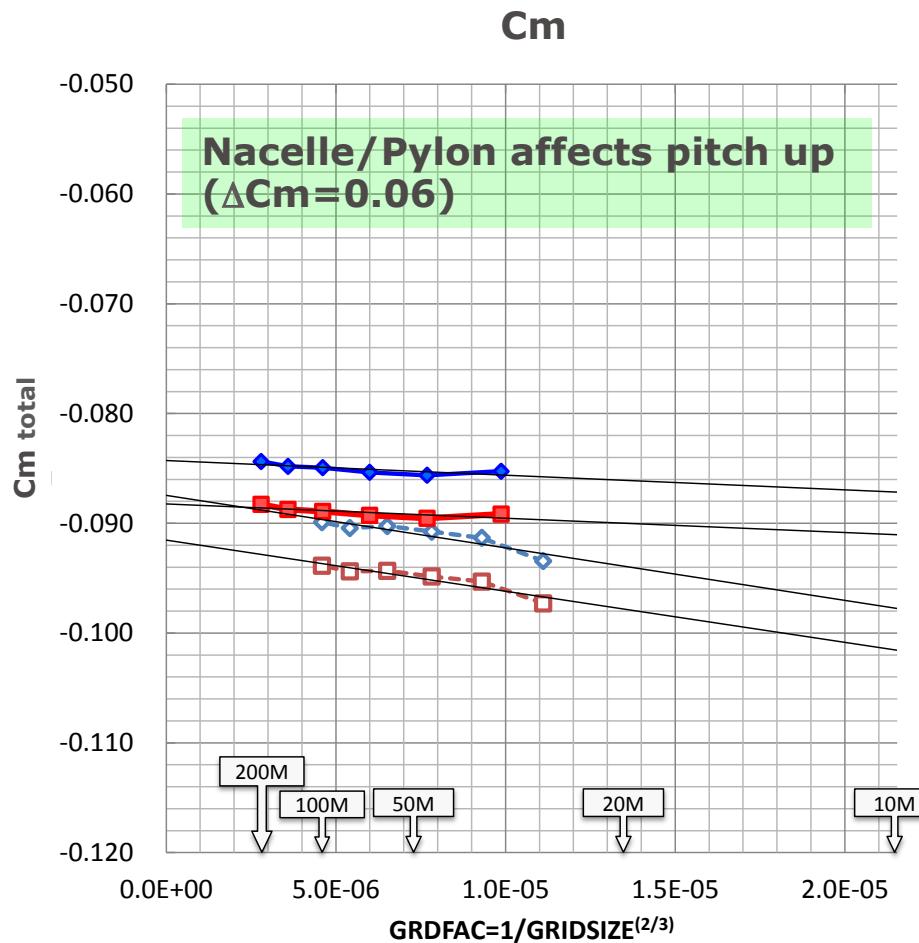
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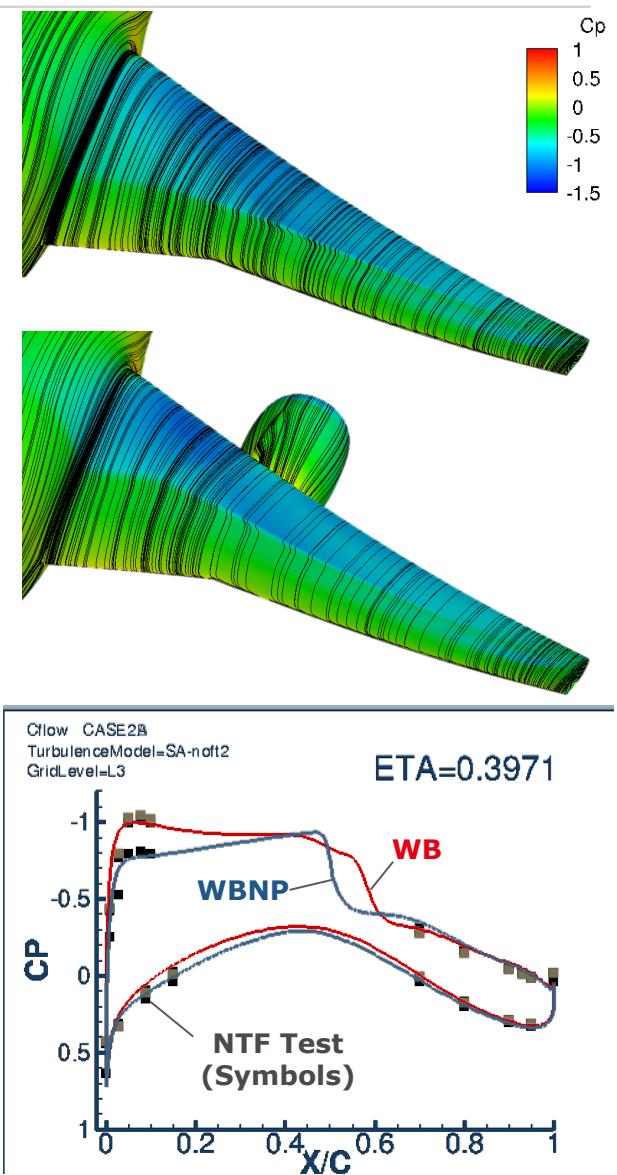
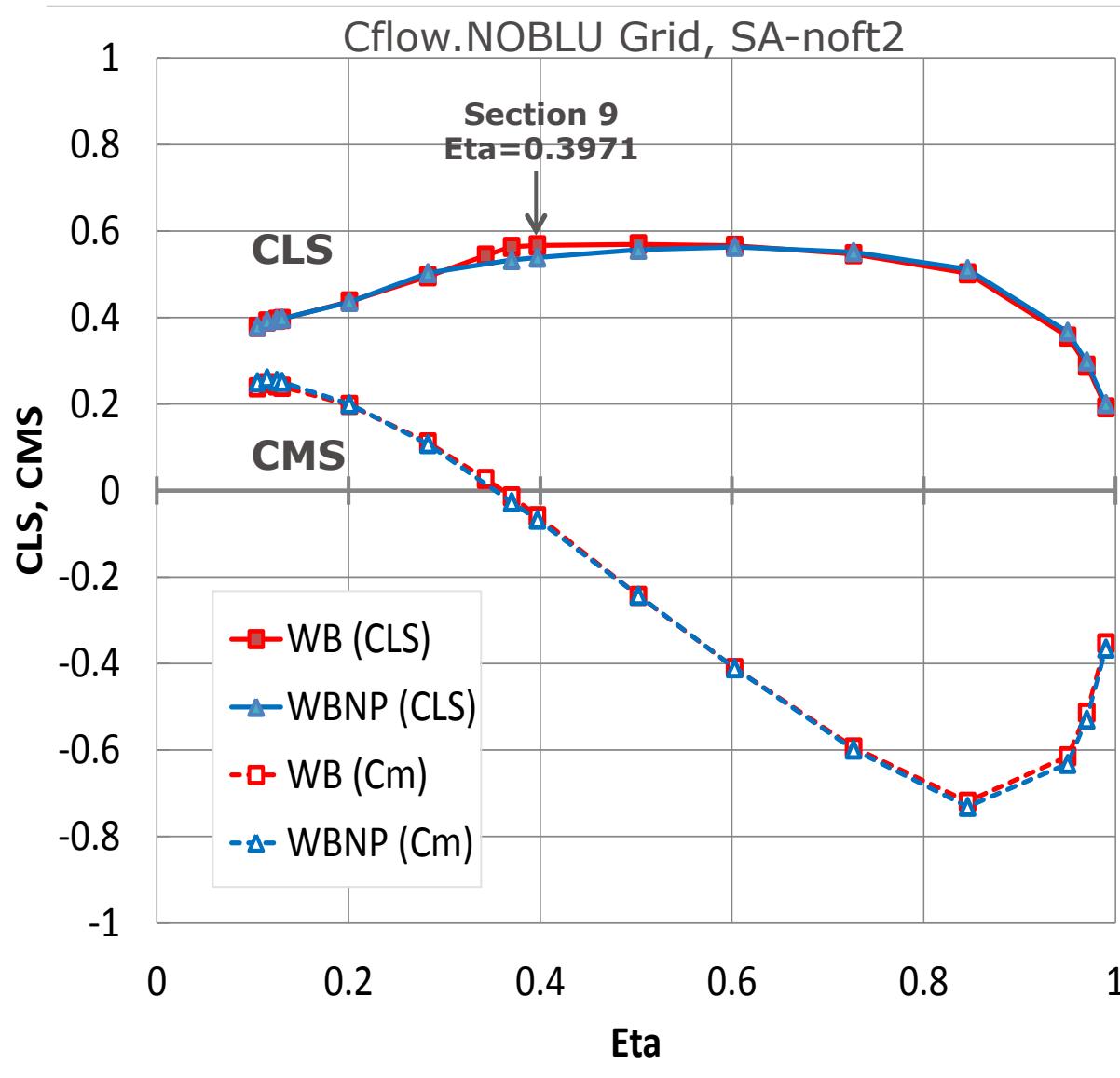
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# Case2 : Grid Convergence Cm and alpha, WBNP

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- ◆ Cflow Grid, SA-noft2-QCR2000
- Baseline Grid, SA-noft2
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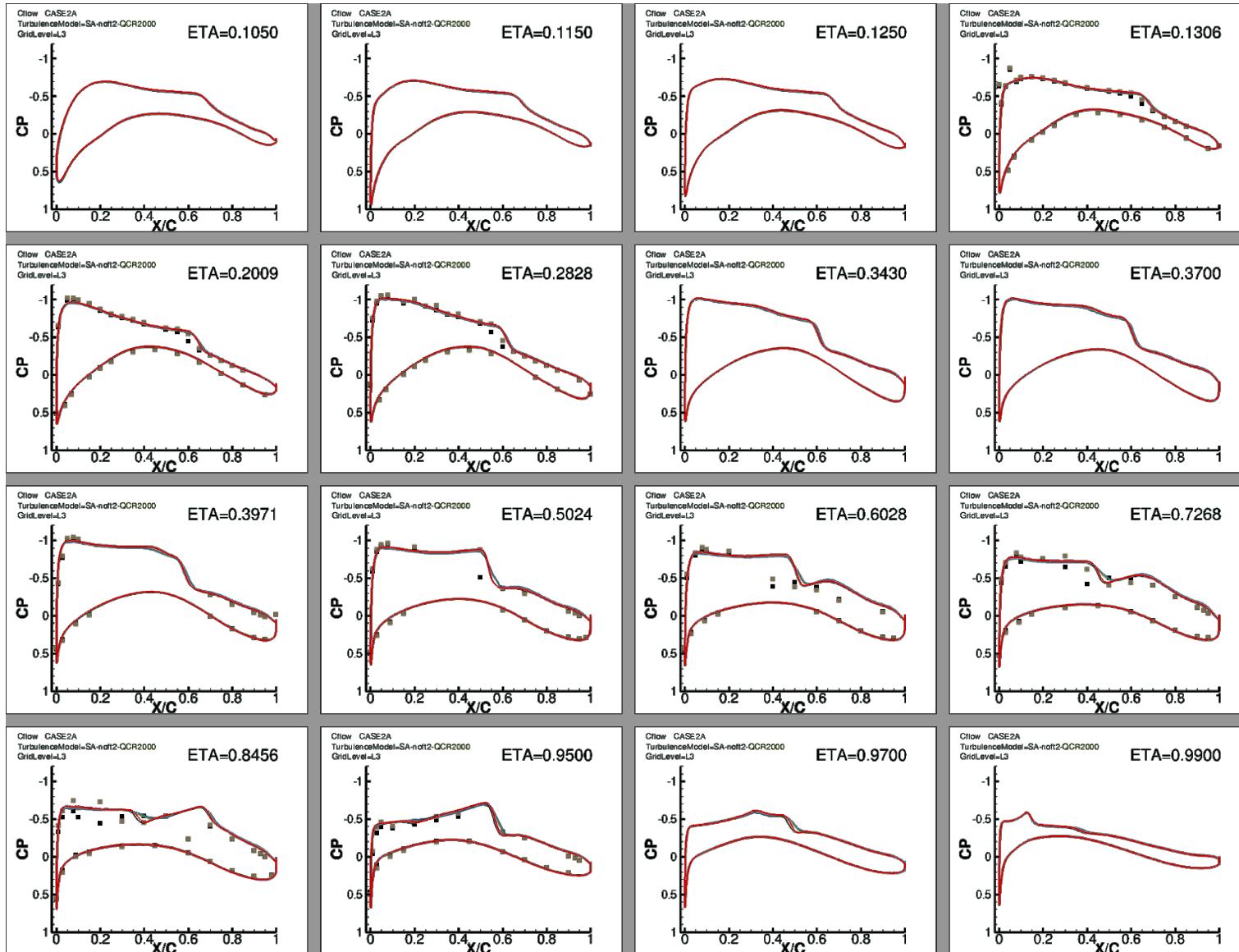


# Case2 Sectional Lift & Moment WB/WBNP



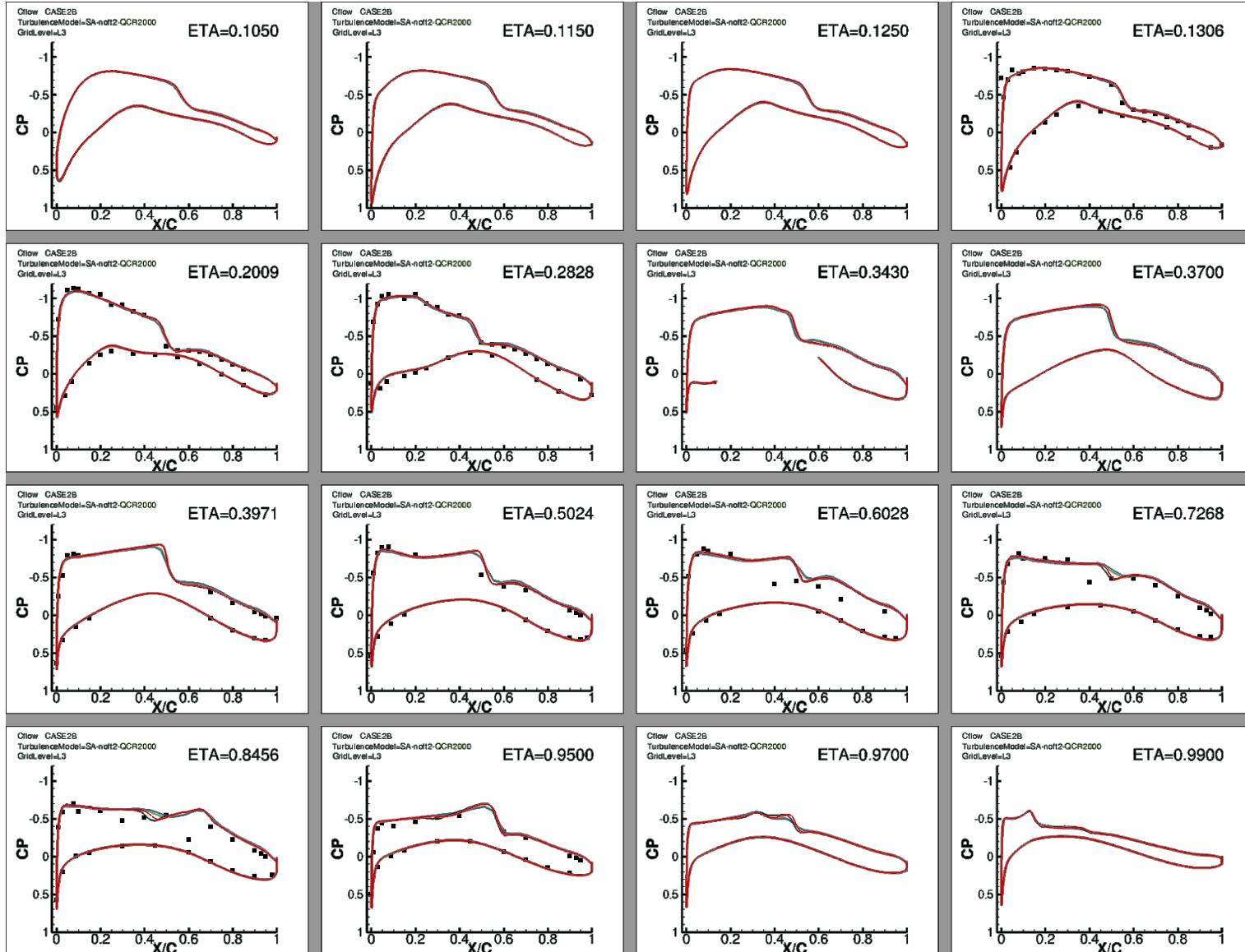
# Case2A L3 Medium grid comparison

— Cflow Grid SA-noft2  
— Cflow Grid SA-noft2-QCR2000  
— Baseline Grid SA-noft2  
— Baseline Grid SA-noft2-QCR2000  
■ WT Data  $\alpha=2.70$   
■ WT Data  $\alpha=2.93$



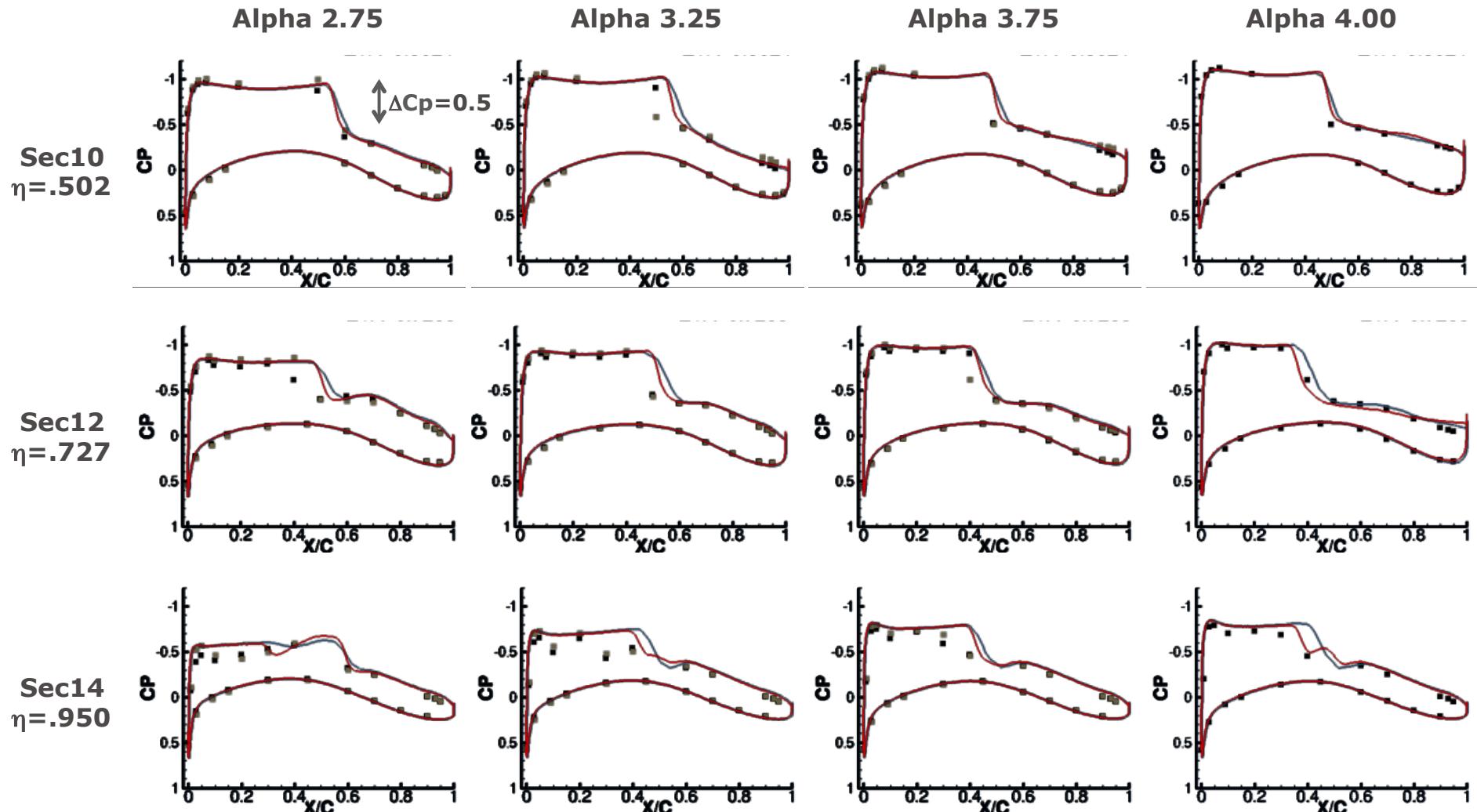
# Case2B L3 Medium grid comparison

— Cflow Grid SA-noft2  
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— Baseline Grid SA-noft2  
— Baseline Grid SA-noft2-QCR2000  
■ WT Data  $\alpha=2.96$



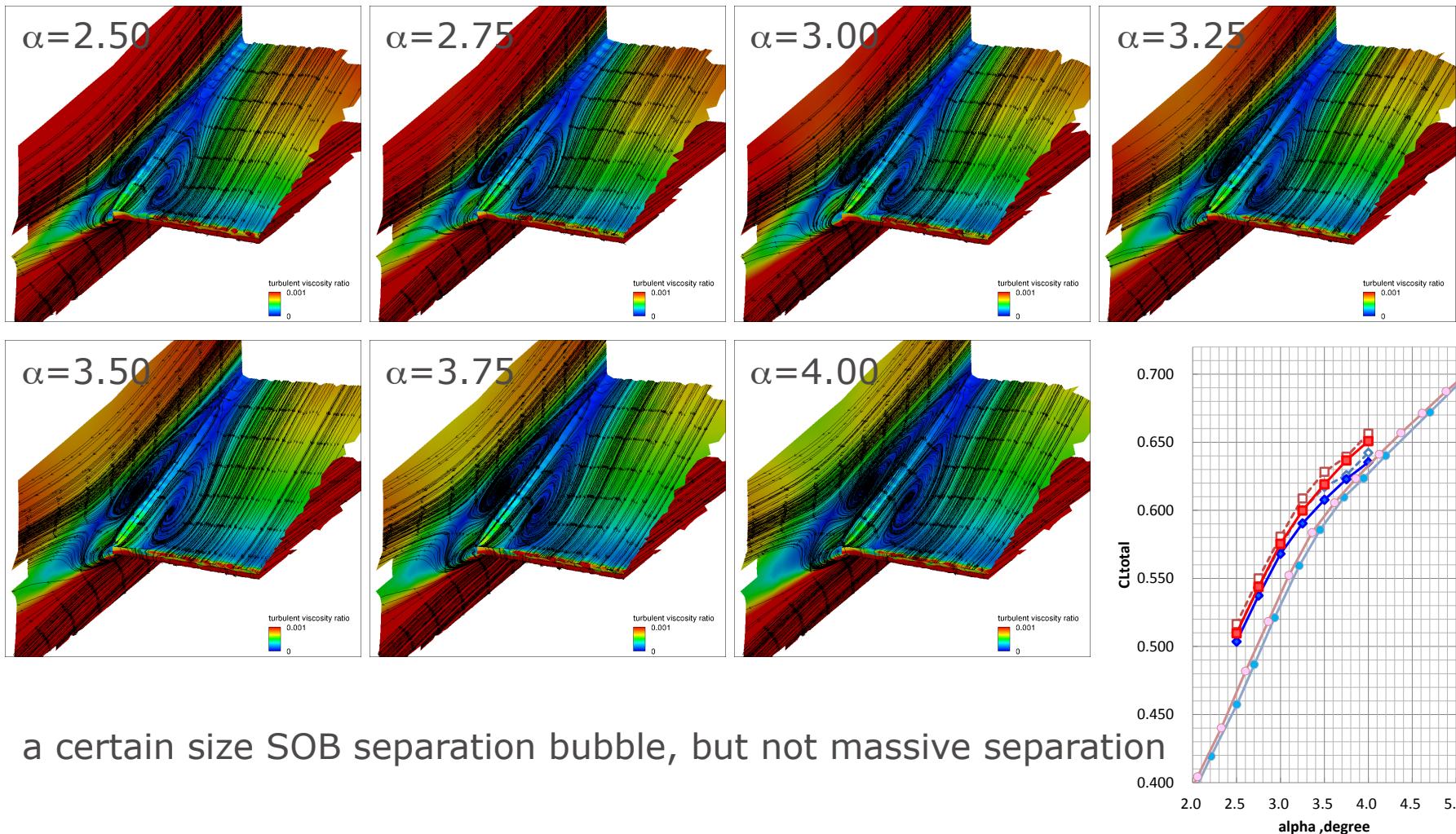
# Case3 WB : Cp variation

- Cflow Grid, SA-noft2
- Baseline Grid, SA-noft2
- WT Data
- WT Data



# Case 3 SOB Separation Bubble

WB, Cflow NOBLU Grid, SA-noft2



a certain size SOB separation bubble, but not massive separation