

# Architecture, Scope, and Goals of the Multidisciplinary DPW-8/AePW-4 Workshop

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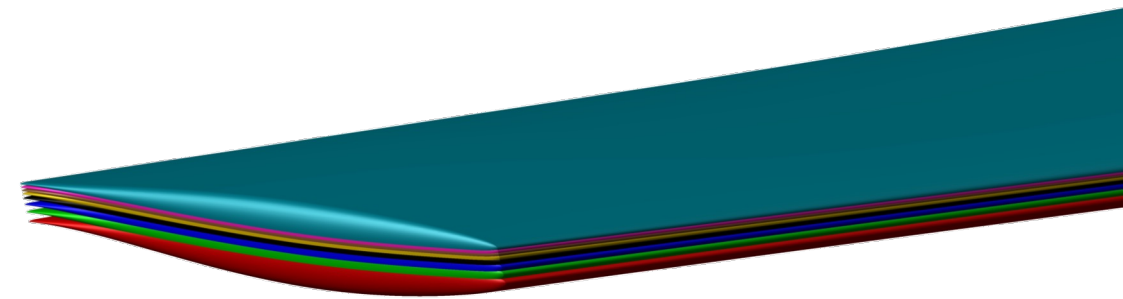
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- **Next generation of computational goals is highly multidisciplinary**
  - CFD 2030 highlights edge-of-the-envelope technology needs
  - Knowledge exists in various fields, but lessons learned remain isolated
  - Identifies the need for collaboration via symbiotic partnerships
- **Workshop Collaboration Working Group**
  - Chartered by Applied Aero TC (2022)
  - Assembled four individuals for a key interdisciplinary organizing committee
  - Panels, presentations, and meetings provided a forum to continue conversations
  - Hallway conversations led to DPW/AePW collaboration
- **SciTech 2024 kickoff meeting**



Experimentally determined  
lofts from DPW-VII

- **Strengths in communities**

- DPW: high-fidelity, transonic CFD including steady and unsteady schemes
- AePW: multifidelity steady and unsteady aeroelastic computations, including structural and aerodynamic nonlinearities

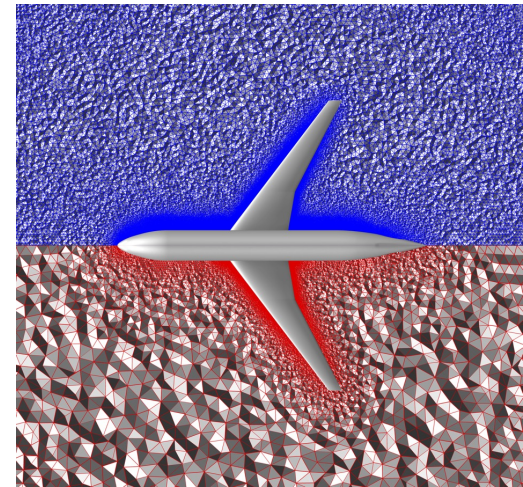
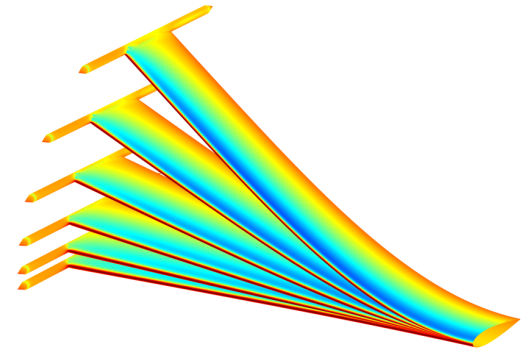
- **Opportunities for growth**

- DPW: increased fidelity aeroelastic methods
- AePW: increased geometric complexity and aerodynamic models

- **Workshop scope**

- Mature each community's state-of-the art
- Enable multidisciplinary technical advances to improve the cutting edge and foster cross-pollination
- Develop multidisciplinary workshop model

- **Selected a working-group model**



# Workshop Leadership Global Presence



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- **Interdisciplinary**

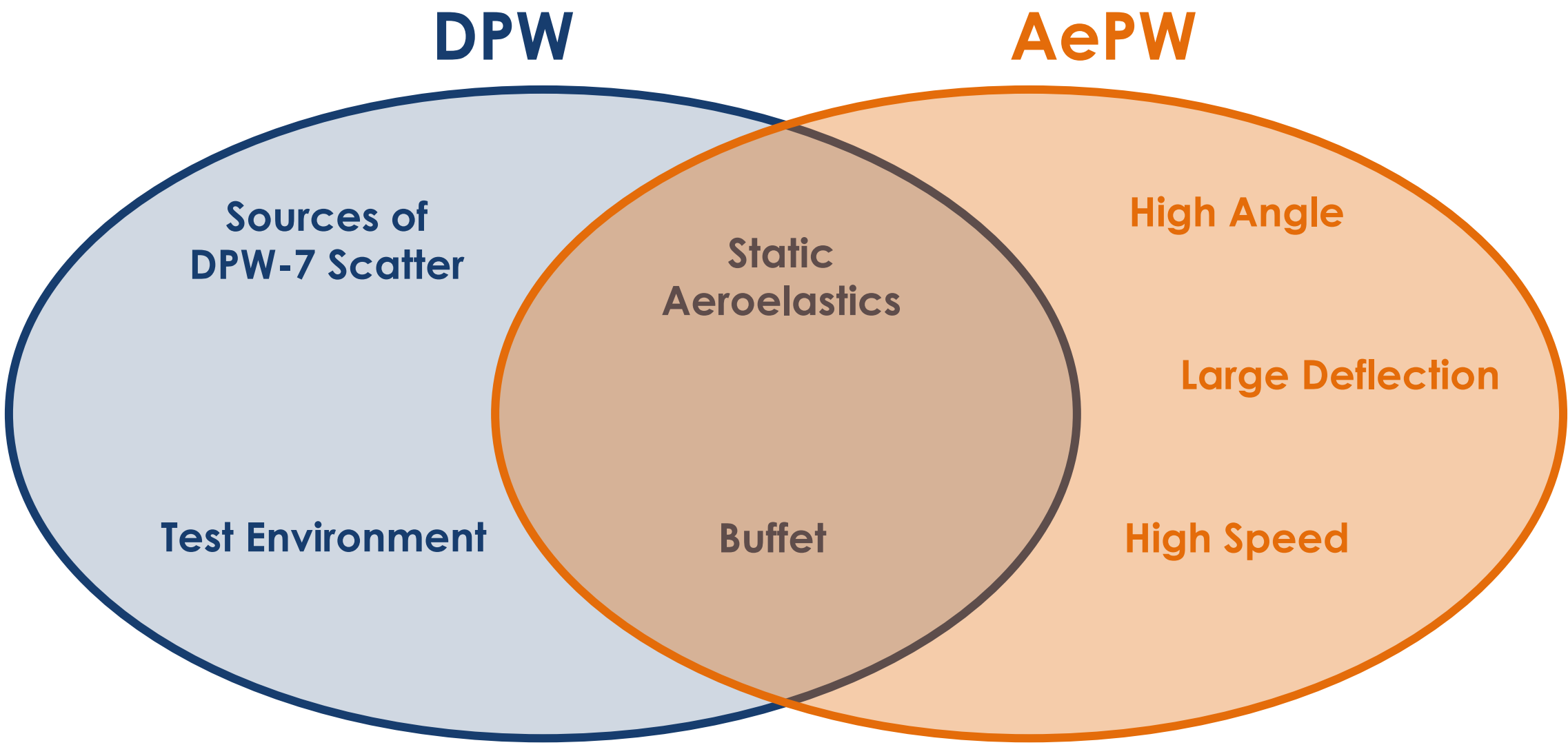
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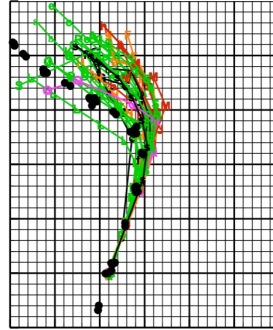
- **Deconflicted seven working groups recurring meeting time**
  - Settled on a least-bad meeting time for all time zones
  - Bi-weekly or monthly cadence
  - Some groups alternate time every-other meeting
- **Working group leadership entrusted with scoping group's efforts**
- **Buffet Working Group further segmented**
  - Subgroups selected by scheme
  - Three groups meet during the month, one asynchronous (email) group



# Community-Centric Working Group Goals

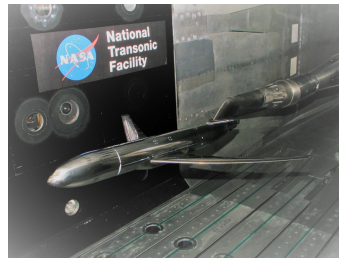
- **Sources of DPW-7 Scatter**

- Increase understanding and quantify expectations for comparisons between CFD and measured wind tunnel “truth”



- **Test Environment**

- Resolve differences between free-air CFD and the test environment



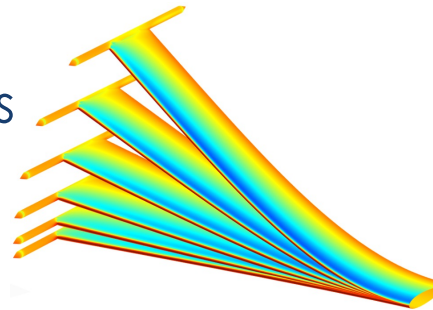
- **High Angle**

- Improve flutter predictions in the transonic region using a variety of CFD models



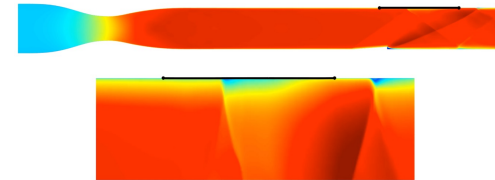
- **Large Deflection**

- Mature predictions for low-speed deformations with nonlinear stiffness



- **High Speed**

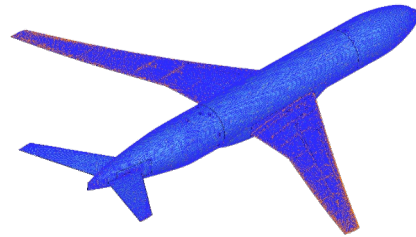
- Advance predictions of supersonic fluid structure interactions





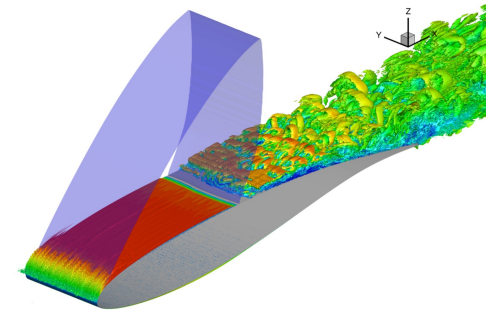
- **Static Deformation**

- Determine accuracy and uncertainty of transonic, center-of-the-envelope wing calculations



- **Buffet**

- Establish state of the art and identify opportunities for improvement of transonic, high-alpha unsteady CFD and unsteady coupled FSI



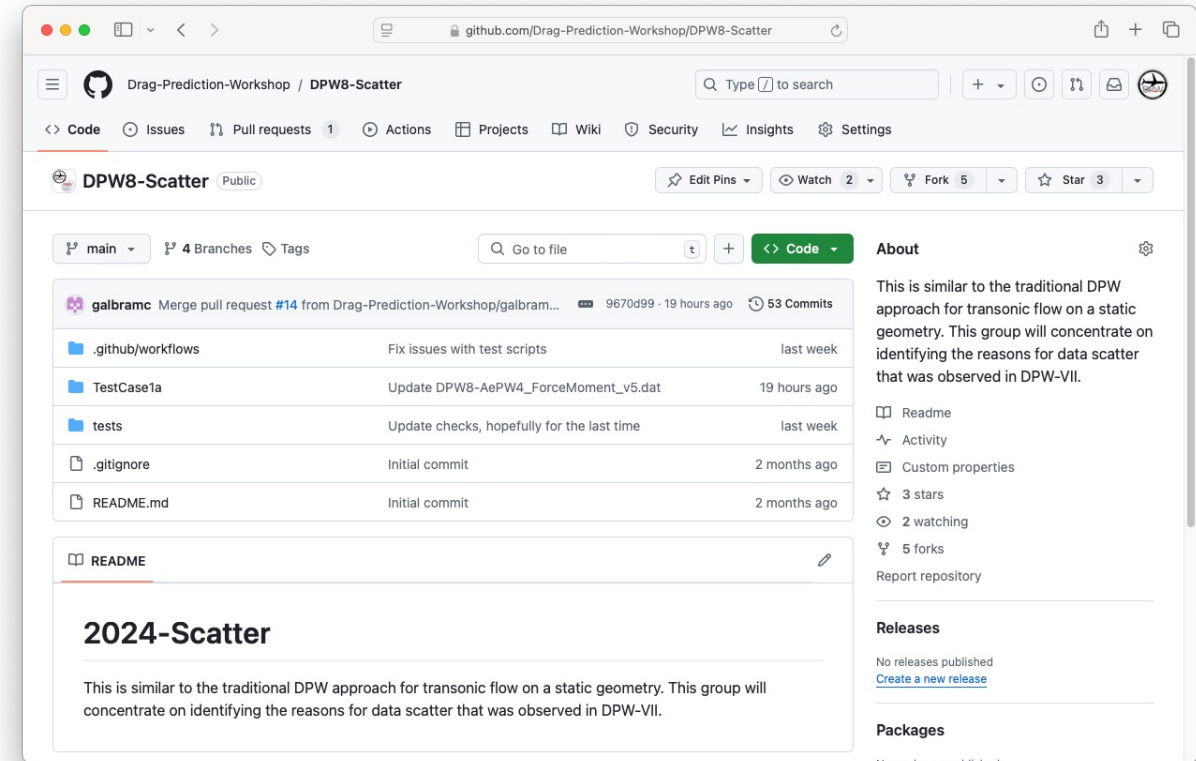
- **Establish key questions to be answered**
  - Three working groups continued from previous workshops
  - Two working groups were direct fallout from workshop lessons learned
  - Two hybrid working groups are new
- **Engage students and low-computational-capacity contributors**
  - Coarsest simulations scoped to run on a laptop
  - Short-term Tecplot licenses available to students

- **Two-day, pre-conference workshop at AVIATION '26**
- **First day**
  - Community centric in two separate rooms
  - Technical lessons learned
  - Future plans
- **Second day**
  - Everyone together
  - Hybrid groups
  - Workshop lessons learned
  - Future plans
- **Potential plans**
  - Miniature expo
  - Student poster session

- **Organizing committee formulation is key**
  - Interdisciplinary Organizing Committee
  - DPW Organizing Committee
  - AePW Organizing Committee
  - Working Group Organizing Committees
- **Clear, consistent communication is key**
  - Interdisciplinary OC members also attending community-centric meetings
  - Development of the key questions is encouraged to support a central theme
  - Consistent touch-base communication and meetings

- **Quarterly workshop-wide tagups**
  - Workshop overview provides insight into all working groups
  - Technical scope and updates from all working groups
  - Provides opportunity for follow-on Q&A
  - Encourages individuals to engage with opposite-community working groups
- **Hybrid working groups**
  - Empower working group leaders to develop key questions under workshop scope
  - Collaborative effort between communities to formulate the group's goals
  - Identify strengths and weakness of community simulation methods and establish opportunities for multidisciplinary advancements
  - Strong presence from both DPW and AePW communities

- **One stop shop for four working groups data submission**
  - Improves version control
  - Ensures all committee members are analyzing the most recent data
  - Responsibility lies with participants to ensure data are up to date
- **Public and outward-facing**
- **Automatic checks ensure files are in the appropriate format**



- **Multiple special sessions at AVIATION highlight group progress to date**
  - Committee presentations
  - High-Speed AePW Working Group
  - Buffet DPW/AePW Working Group
  - High-Angle and Large Deflection AePW Working Groups
- **Mini workshop scheduled for SciTech (as a panel session, open to all)**
- **Full workshop at AVIATION next year**



# Questions?



<https://www.aiaa-dpw.org>



<https://nescacademy.nasa.gov/workshops/AePW4/public>