

DPW-8 & AePW-4

Gridding Guidelines



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Revision History

Version 1: June 18, 2024

Version 2: June 27, 2024

Fixed typo on $(L+2)/(L+1)$ on Surface Spacing slide
Updated to chord length of 230mm for ONERA OAT15A

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Clarified variable "L" as Grid Level throughout Guidelines; fixed growth rate equation to be $[1.5^{(L-1)}]$

- **Consistent with DPW-7** (https://aiaa-dpw.larc.nasa.gov/Workshop7/DPW-VII_BaselineGridFamilyPlanRevB.pdf)
- **Viscous wall spacing for Grid Level L ($1 \leq L \leq 6$, see next slide)**

$$Re_x = 0.1Re_c$$

$$C_f = \frac{0.455}{[\ln(0.06Re_x)]^2}$$

$$\Delta y_1 = \frac{c_{ref}}{Re_c \sqrt{C_f/2}}$$

$$\frac{\Delta y_L}{\Delta y_{L-1}} = 1.16^{\frac{1}{1.5(L-1)}}$$

- **At Least two constantly-spaced cells at viscous walls**
- **See “# Δy_1 s” on “Baseline Grid Family Plan” slide**
- **Growth Rates < 1.2x normal to viscous walls**

Viscous growth levels are consistent with Pita, Claudio M. and Woeber, Carolyn. “HLPW4/GMGW3: Summary of Unstructured Fixed Mesh Generation Efforts for RANS Analysis.” AIAA 2022-3209.

Baseline RANS Grid Family Plan: $Re_c = 5$ million

- $Re_c = 5$ million
- CRM, full scale in inches ($c_{ref} = 275.8$ inches)
- Scale linearly for ONERA OAT15A

Name	Grid Level (L)	Δy_1 (inches)	Factor	y^+	# Δy_1 s	Viscous Growth Rate
Tiny (T)	1	0.0011922	1.0000	~1.00	2	1.160000
Coarse (C)	2	0.0007950	0.6668	~0.67	3	1.104007
Medium (M)	3	0.0005961	0.7498	~0.50	4	1.068189
Fine (F)	4	0.0004770	0.8002	~0.40	5	1.044958
Extra Fine (X)	5	0.0003972	0.8328	~0.33	6	1.029752
Ultra Fine (U)	6	0.0003405	0.8571	~0.29	7	1.019737

Baseline RANS Grid Family Plan: $Re_c = 30$ million

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- Scale linearly for ONERA OAT15A

Name	Grid Level (L)	Δy_1 (inches)	Factor	y^+	# Δy_1 s	Viscous Growth Rate
Tiny (T)	1	0.0002332	1.0000	~1.00	2	1.160000
Coarse (C)	2	0.0001555	0.6668	~0.67	3	1.104007
Medium (M)	3	0.0001166	0.7498	~0.50	4	1.068189
Fine (F)	4	0.0000933	0.8002	~0.40	5	1.044958
Extra Fine (X)	5	0.0000777	0.8328	~0.33	6	1.029752
Ultra Fine (U)	6	0.0000666	0.8571	~0.29	7	1.019737

- **Only applicable if computations are being performed with a finite span**
- **Full-span airfoil spanwise spacing recommendation**
 - Desire approximately $C_{ref}/112.5$
 - If using full-scale geometry (230mm chord) spanwise cell size would be $\sim 2.04\text{mm}$
- **Wing TE Base $\gg 8$ Cells**
- **Grid growth**
 - Grow next-finer grid in family by approximately $[(L+2)/(L+1)]^3$ in size
 - Scale dimensions in all three dimensions by approximately $[(L+2)/(L+1)]$
 - Grid spacing factors seen on “Baseline RANS Grid Family Plan”
- **Farfield boundary > 100 chord lengths**

Surface Spacing (CRM)

- Wing spanwise spacing $< 0.1\% * \text{semispan}$ at root & tip
- Wing chordwise spacing $< 0.1\% * c$ (local chord) at LE & TE
- Wing TE base $\gg 8$ Cells
- Spacing near fuselage nose & end of body $< 1\% * C_{\text{ref}}$
- **Grid growth**
 - Grow next-finer grid in family by approximately $[(L+2)/(L+1)]^3$ in size
 - Scale dimensions in all three dimensions by approximately $[(L+2)/(L+1)]$
 - Grid spacing factors seen on “Baseline RANS Grid Family Plan”
- **Farfield boundary > 100 semispan lengths (1156.75 inches)**



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