

Aerodynamic Performance of Co Flow Jet At Different Angle of Attacks

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Abstract - The active flow control over aerofoil using co-flow jet (CFJ). With injection and suction slot on upper surface in leading edge (LE) and trailing edge (TE) of the aerofoil. To achieve high efficiency, the co-flow jet is analyzed with different angle of attack. The NACA 4412 aerofoil is used for both baseline and co-flow jet, where the CFJ can be work with any aerofoil [1]. The high angle of attack is achieved at lower speed without stalling. The Ansys CFD software is used with the 2-equation turbulence. The overall performance is increased by 33% to 66% compared to baseline airfoil.

Keywords— Aerofoil, Angle of attack, Ansys CFD, co-flow jet (CFJ), LE&TE

INTRODUCTION

In order to achieve high performance, the active flow control method is used. Where the co-flow jet (CFJ) with injection slot and suction slot at leading edge (LE) and trailing edge (TE) As a reference, The CFJ aerofoil is compared with a Baseline aerofoil series NACA-4412. where the aerofoil is designed with CFJ's injection and suction slot. the chord length is 0.151m, the CFJ aerofoil is modified design of Baseline aerofoil by translating the modified surface lowered vertically $1.67\% \pm 0.05\%$ of chord [2]. The injection is located at $6.72\% \pm 0.05\%$ and suction slot is located at $88.72\% \pm 0.05\%$ of the chord from the LE. The area of injection slot is $1.50\% \pm 0.05\%$ and suction slot is $1.60\% \pm 0.05\%$ of the chord.

Where here we use the slot area as same 1.56% of chord which is 0.00236m

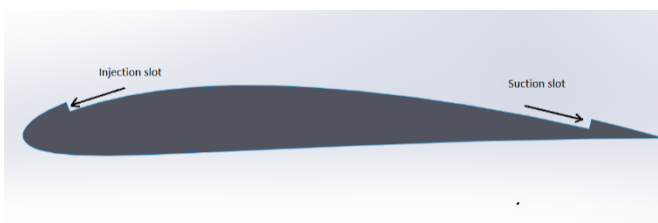


Fig.1: Co-flow jet

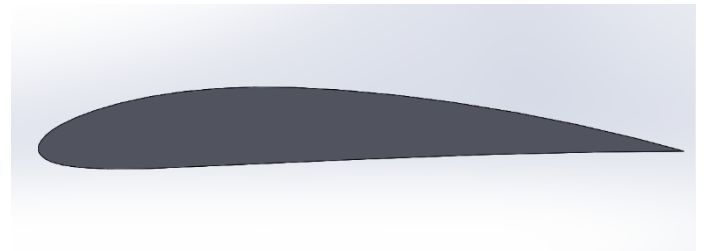


Fig.2: Baseline

GEOMETRY SETUP

The CFD software is used to simulate and study the flow over the aerofoil. The k-ε turbulence (two equation) module is used as wall function to save CPU time. The turbulence equation is same through all the condition, in order to reduce the time taken by the computer 2 turbulence equation is used [3]. The Reynolds number taken here is 50,000 which is lowest number for the aerofoil NACA 4412 as per the database which is 50 m/s. Where the aim is to achieve higher angle of attack with minimum speed

$$Re = \frac{\rho u L}{\mu}$$

Where Re is the Reynolds number, a dimensionless number used in fluid mechanics to indicate whether fluid flow past a body or in a duct is steady or turbulent [4].

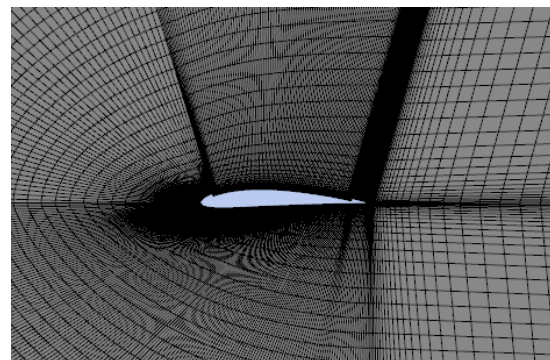


Fig.3

Considering the pressure, velocity, area and mass flow rate at the injection and suction slot of CFJ, the co-efficient of jet (C_μ) varies with respect to A_o

$$C_\mu = \frac{\dot{m}_j V_j}{0.5 \rho_\infty U_\infty^2 S}$$

C_μ -coefficient of cfj

\dot{m}_j - mass flow rate of cfj

ρ_∞ - density of air

U_∞ - velocity of free stream

S- area

Where C_μ varies with AoA. The value of C_μ varies from 0.08 to 0.25 with respect to AoA of the airfoil. At mach 0.145, $C_\mu=0.08$ at 0° which is more efficient in comparison, the C_μ is estimated by comparison of value at every condition [5].

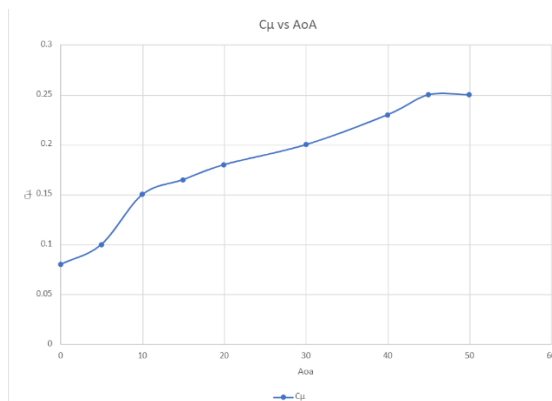


Fig.4: AOA v/s C_μ

RESULTS

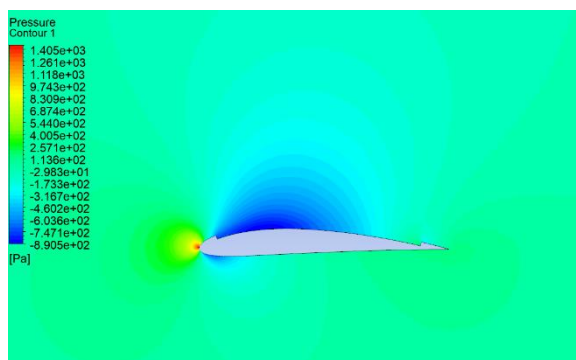


Fig.5(a): Pressure contour at AoA 0°

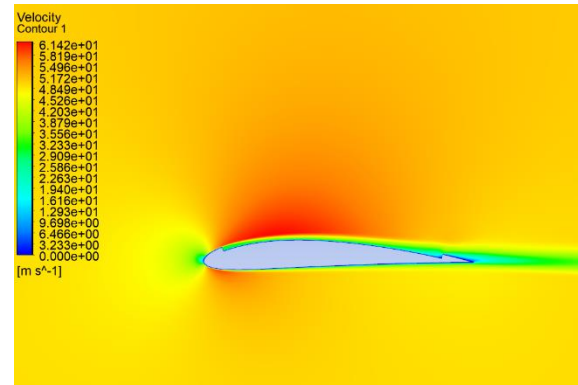


Fig.5(b): Velocity contour at AoA 0°

The Fig. 5 (a), (b) shows the pressure and velocity contour respectively. The operating condition is mach number 0.145 which is the minimum velocity of the airfoil as per the data base. The velocity is same is all the angle of attack. Where the force generated is we found through the journal paper we gone through.

There is force produced on aerofoil due co-flow jet in both x and y axis.

$$F_{x\text{cfj}} = [\dot{m}_{j1} u_{j1} + (p_{j1} A_{j1})_x] - \gamma [\dot{m}_{j2} u_{j2} + (p_{j2} A_{j2})_x] \\ = (\dot{m}_j V_{j1} + p_{j1} A_{j1}) * \cos(\theta_1 - \alpha) \\ - \gamma (\dot{m}_j V_{j2} + p_{j2} A_{j2}) * \cos(\theta_2 + \alpha)$$

$$F_{y\text{cfj}} = [\dot{m}_{j1} v_{j1} + (p_{j1} A_{j1})_y] - \gamma [\dot{m}_{j2} v_{j2} + (p_{j2} A_{j2})_y] \\ = (\dot{m}_j V_{j1} + p_{j1} A_{j1}) * \sin(\theta_1 - \alpha) \\ + \gamma (\dot{m}_j V_{j2} + p_{j2} A_{j2}) * \sin(\theta_2 + \alpha)$$

F- momentum force

\dot{m}_j - mass flow

V_j - velocity at slot

p_j - pressure at slot

A_j - area at the slot

θ - angle between slot to perpendicular to chord

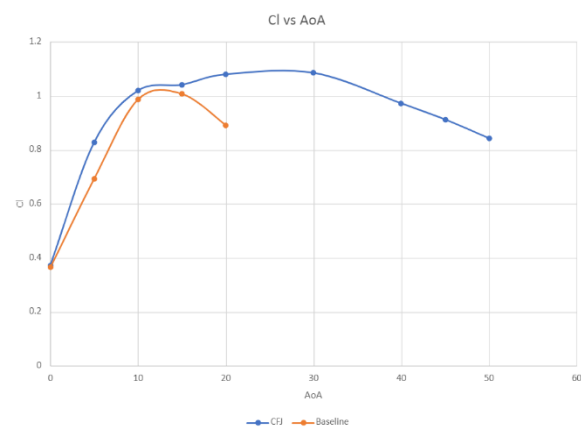


Fig.6(a)

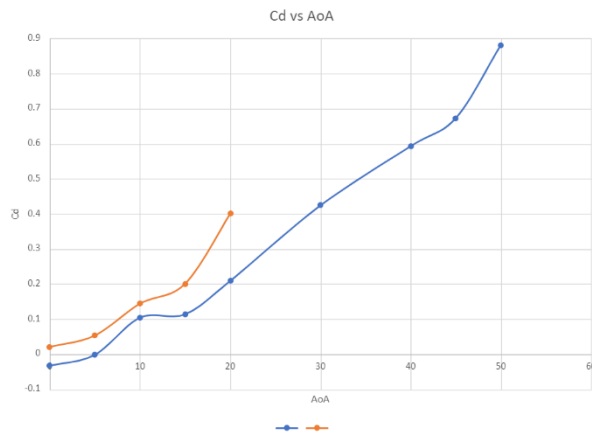


Fig.6(b)

The lift coefficient with respect to AoA where in the Baseline aerofoil the C_L stops to drop gradually beyond 15° , where in CFJ aerofoil the C_L value stay high at AoA of 30° . The drag coefficient with respect to AoA, where the C_d at 0° and 5° are in negative because due to the CFJ there is a momentum produced in the aerofoil which is in x direction

After 50° it starts to drop in larger amount which is greater than the drag produced beyond that angle. In accordance with the journal paper the flow separation haven't take place up to AoA of 20° so we go beyond the AoA of 20° to check the flow separation taken place

In comparison of base line aerofoil the C_L range from 0.356 to 1.0076, where in CFL the C_L range from 0.374 to 1.105 which is comparatively higher. The drag coefficient is range from 0.0204 to 0.401(at 20°) and in CFJ due to the momentum force negative drag formation take place where - 0.03314 to 0.20877(at 20°) which is much more lower than the base line aerofoil and the drag produced by the baseline aerofoil at 20° is produced Co-flow jet at 30° [6].

Where the significant increase in efficiency at $M=0.4$ but, here the efficient value of Co-flow jet is found at lower velocity $M=0.145$ for higher angle of attack.

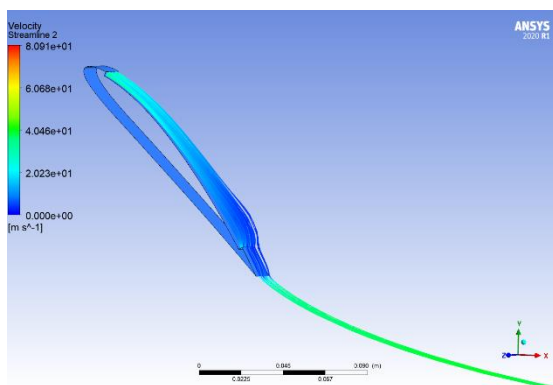


Fig.7(a)

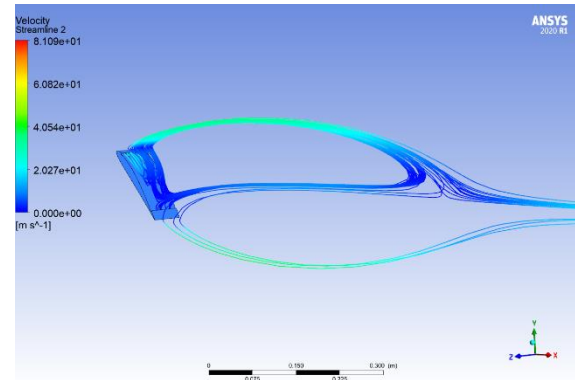


Fig.7(b)

In Fig.7(a) shows the stream line of the flow from injection slot to suction slot where the flow is attached to the surface of the aerofoil, but in the Fig7(b) the flow separates and not attached to the surface of the airfoil which results in larger amount of increase in drag and massive drop in lift beyond that AoA [8].

CONCLUSION

The co-flow jet aerofoil design in this report is capable to reduce drag force and convert streamline vortices to additional thrust, which is much more effective up to AoA of 45° and at lower velocity $M=0.145$. The obtained results from the analysis proves that the CFJ airfoil will produce more lift coefficient than the baseline airfoil. This is because the downstream gets energized due to the injection air. So that the airflow remains attached over to the body, and it increases the lift coefficient [9].

Where there is no change in flow separation beyond the AoA of 50° , even though coefficient of CFJ is tested with higher value up to $C_\mu=0.5$ the flow separation remains constant.

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