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Turbine Surface Degradation with Service and Its Effects on Performance – 2-D/3-D CFD Simulations of Rough Surfaces–

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Objectives

- Perform detailed CFD simulations to generate understanding of flow and heat transfer phenomena over rough surfaces.
- Use understanding generated to develop engineering models to predict heat transfer and friction on rough surfaces.

Accomplishments

- Performed 2-D and 3-D CFD simulations.
- Generated a preliminary engineering model.

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3-D CFD: Z.J. Wang

- 1/6 -1/3 of the span (from Jeffrey Bons' experiment) selected for the computational domain;
- 2 mm, 1 mm and 0.5 mm resolutions for coarse, medium and fine grids at the roughness panels;
- Minimum distance in the wall normal direction about 0.025 mm for a y+ around 1



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Flow Solver: In-House FV Code for Arbitrary Elements

- Second-order accurate Godunov-type finite volume method using linear least squares reconstruction for arbitrary grids;
- Backward Euler or backward difference formula for 1st or 2nd order time integration;
- Efficient block lower-upper symmetric Gauss-Seidel (BLU-SGS) implicit equation solver;
- RANS S-A turbulence model (DES dropped because the grid still too coarse).

Results for Fuel Deposit Roughness (#4)

	0.36 M	1.26 M	4.00 M	Experiment
	cells	cells	cells	
	2 mm	1 mm	0.5 mm	
C_{f}	0.0128	0.00970	0.00873	0.00937
St	0.00260	0.00268	0.00275	0.00308

- Coarse grid too coarse
- 3.5-7% and 11-13% difference in c_f and St between computation and experiment.

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Results for Erosion Roughness (#6)

	0.87 M cells	1.60 M cells	Experiment
	1.0 mm	0.5 mm	
C_{f}	0.0113	0.0100	0.0103
St	0.0268	0.00304	0.00308

• 3.0% and 1.2% difference in c_f and St between computation and experiment.

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Flow Field Characteristics





Velocity Vector Plot

Pressure Distribution

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Streamlines Near a Roughness Element





Top View

Front View

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Conclusions from 3-D CFD Study

- Viscous adaptive Cartesian grid method can very efficiently and easily grid the detailed geometry of rough surfaces and the flow induced by the surfaces without user interference;
- For real rough surfaces, S-A model predicted c_f within 2-7% of experimental data, 1-11% difference in St;
- Finer grids are needed to demonstrate grid independent solutions.

2-D CFD: Shih & Yoon

Objectives

- Since 3-D roughness is expensive to compute, want to explore usefulness of 2-D simulations, where grids can be extremely fine to resolve all features of the roughness and the flow that they induce.
- Develop engineering correlations based on the detailed CFD data.

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Roughness Parameters

y_{mean} : average value of magnitude of roughness

$$y_{mean} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left| y_{surface_i} \right|$$

 R_a : arithmetic mean of magnitude of roughness

$$R_{a} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} |y_{i}| \quad \left(y_{i} = y_{surface_{i}} - y_{mean}\right)$$



R_q : Root Mean Square (rms)

$$R_q = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i^2}$$

R_{sk}: Skewness

$$R_{sk} = \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i^3 \right\} \frac{1}{R_q^3}$$

 K_u : Kurtosis

$$K_{u} = \left\{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} y_{i}^{4}\right\} \frac{1}{R_{q}^{4}}$$



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One 2-D Slice of a 3-D Rough Surface



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S-A turbulence model 2nd-order differencing Fluent 6.2



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Velocity and Pressure Contour



Part 1: Streamlines



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Part 1: Velocity Vectors





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Part 2: Streamlines



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Models for Rough Surfaces

Prandtl/ Nikuradse

$$\frac{u}{u_{\tau}} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \frac{u_{\tau} y}{v} + C - \left\{ \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \frac{u_{\tau} k}{v} + D \right\}$$
$$C_{f} = \left[2.87 + 1.58 \log \left(\frac{x}{k_{s}} \right) \right]^{-2.5} \quad \underline{D} = f(\text{ geometry, } \dots)$$

Variations by Bettermann (1966), Dvorak (1969), Dirling (1973), Simpson (1973), Sigal and Danberg (1990),

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A New Model for C_f

$$C_{f} = \left(4.2 + 2.7 \log\left(\frac{x}{k_{s}}\right)\right)^{-2.5} + 0.005 \left(\Delta_{i} + |\Delta_{i}|\right)$$

$$\frac{k_s}{R_a} = \log(-1.5\log(\Lambda_s) + 0.5)$$



 $(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)$

Negative slope increases friction Negative slopes contain recirculating regions.

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Prediction by New Method



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Prediction by New Method for Another Surface



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- Generated CFD simulations of 2-D slices of surface roughness.
- Developed a new model to predict C_f.
- Preliminary results show promise.
- Will apply to 3-D roughness geometry data and evaluate usefulness.