



Aeroservoelastic Analysis of the Effects of Camber and Twist on Tactical UAV Mission-adaptive Wings

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.The air vehicle was indigenously designed in

METU, Aerospace Engineering Department

.The structural modelling and analysis were conducted by MSC[®]PATRAN/ NASTRAN Package programs.

.The aerodynamic analysis was conducted by ANSYS[®]/FLUENT Package program.

.The aeroelastic analysis was conducted by MSC[®]PATRAN/ FLDS Package programs.



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- .The Ground Vibration Tests of the wing was conducted in METU Aerospace Engineering for the verification of the design.**
- .The production of the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle was done by Turkish Aerospace Industries, TAI.**
- .The flight tests of the Unmanned Aerial Vehicle were conducted by TAI.**



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- Low speed, non-aerobatic airplane with a conventional configuration:
 - Rectangular, mid aspect ratio high wing,
 - Circular fuselage,
 - Conventional tail attached to the fuselage with a boom,
 - Conventional elevator and rudder, deflectable ailerons and flaps
 - Tricycle landing gear,
 - Metal structure, composite skin.
 - 6.5 hp gasoline engine.



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Initial Design Specifications

Specifications	Value
Take-off gross weight	37.8 kg
Empty weight	36.3 kg
Fuel weight	1.5 kg
Wing span	3 m
Wing chord	0.5 m
Total length (excluding propeller hub)	2 m
Height	1.0 m
Horizontal tail volume ratio	0.37



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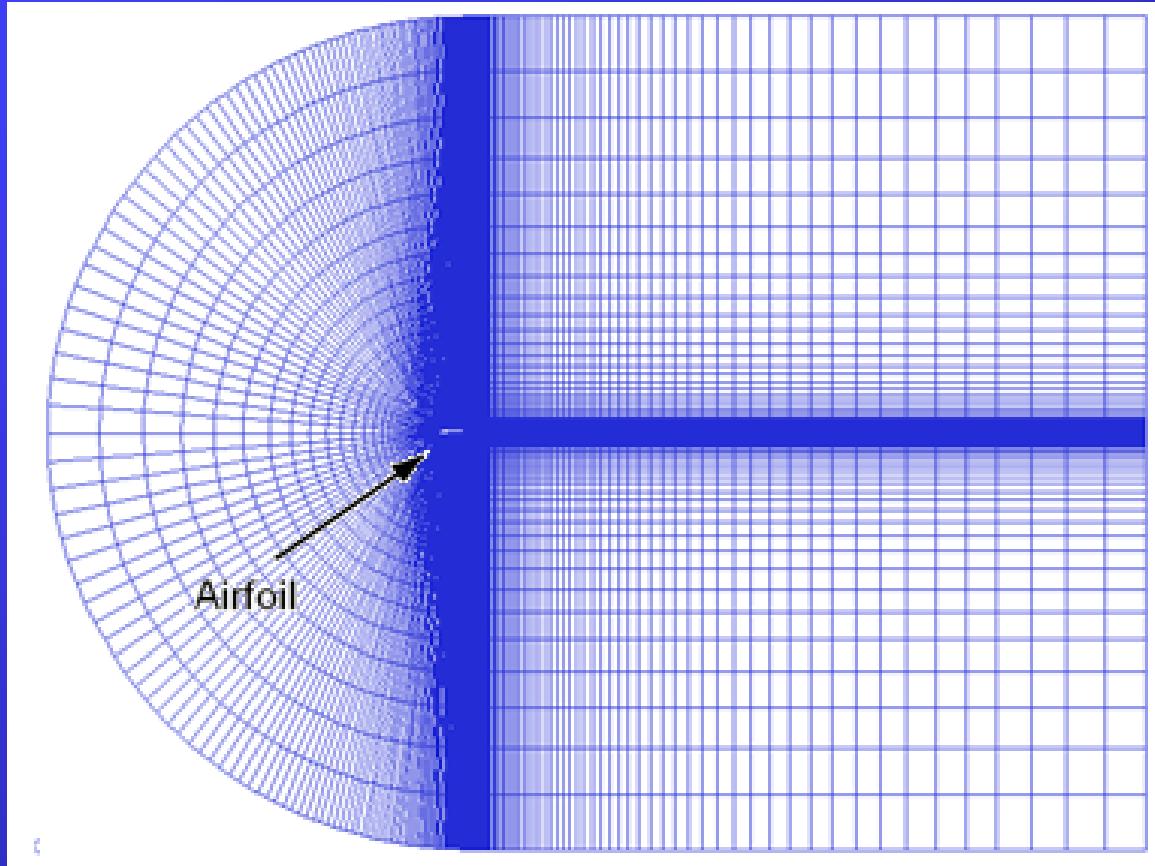
Performance Specifications

Specifications	Value
Maximum speed	75 knots
Cruise speed (@ 4000 ft)	60 knots
Stall speed	40 knots
Service ceiling	5000 ft
Endurance (@ 4000 ft)	3 h



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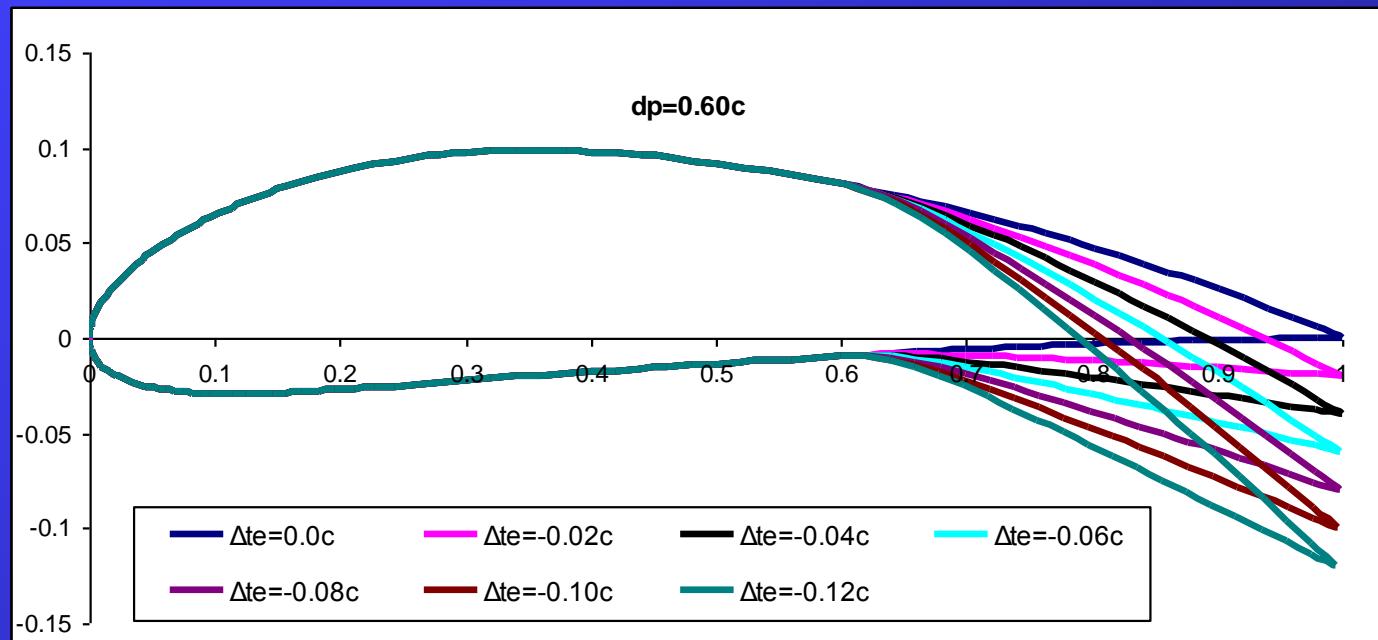


2D Analysis, NACA 4412 Airfoil and the Solution Domain



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2D Analysis, Cambered NACA4412 Airfoils, deflection from 0.6c



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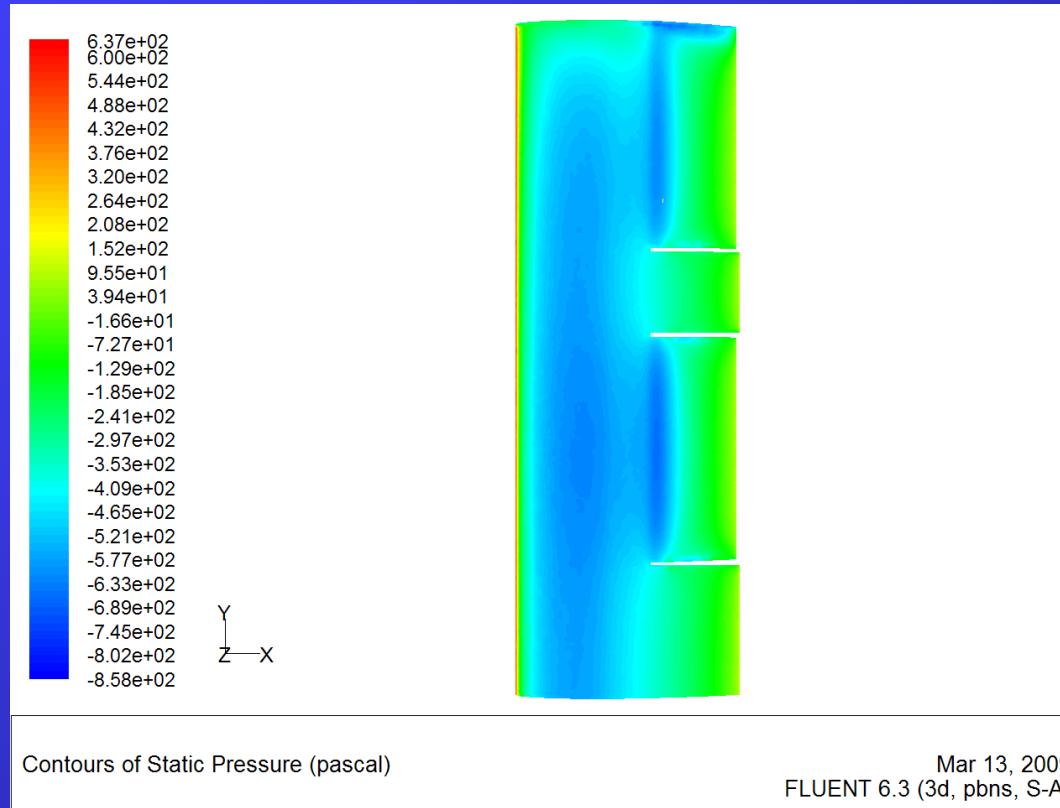
Δt_e	0.0c	-0.02c	-0.04c	-0.06c	-0.08c	-0.10c	-0.12c
C_l	0.4502	0.6904	0.9193	1.1344	1.3050	1.5574	1.6922
C_l [Raymer]	0.4000	0.6652	0.920	1.1696	1.4244	1.6688	1.9184
C_d	0.0111	0.0124	0.0142	0.0169	0.0210	0.0578	0.0714
C_m	0.2133	0.3039	0.3941	0.4813	0.5520	0.6798	0.7426
C_l / C_d	40.7201	55.6774	64.7394	67.1243	62.1429	26.9446	23.7009

2D Analysis, Calculated Aerodynamic Coefficients for Camber deflection from 0.6c



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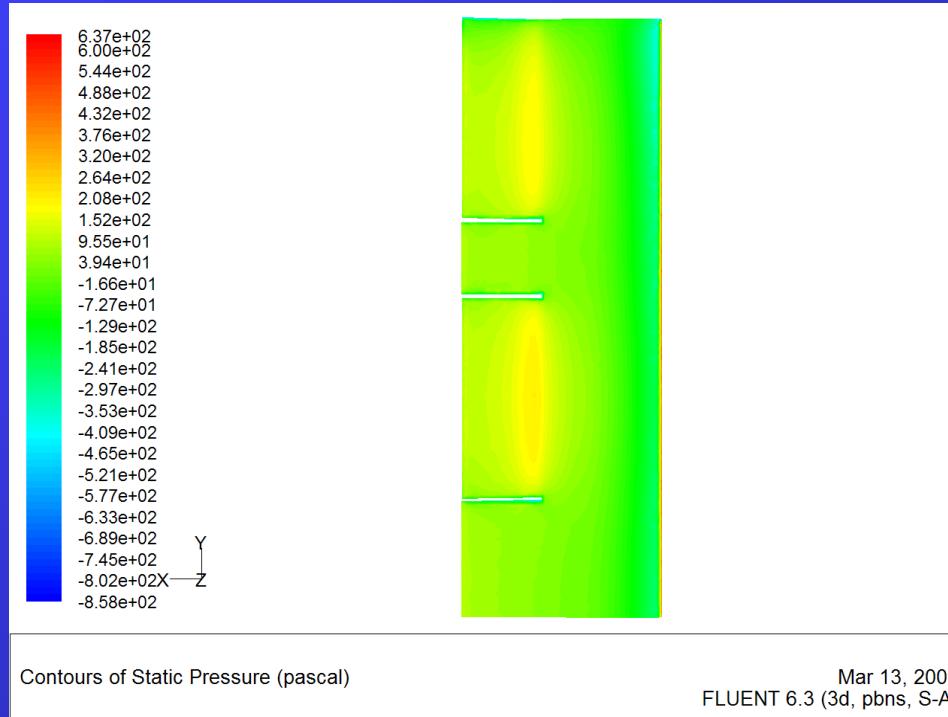


**3D Analysis, Upper Surface Static Pressure Contours,
deflection from 0.6c**



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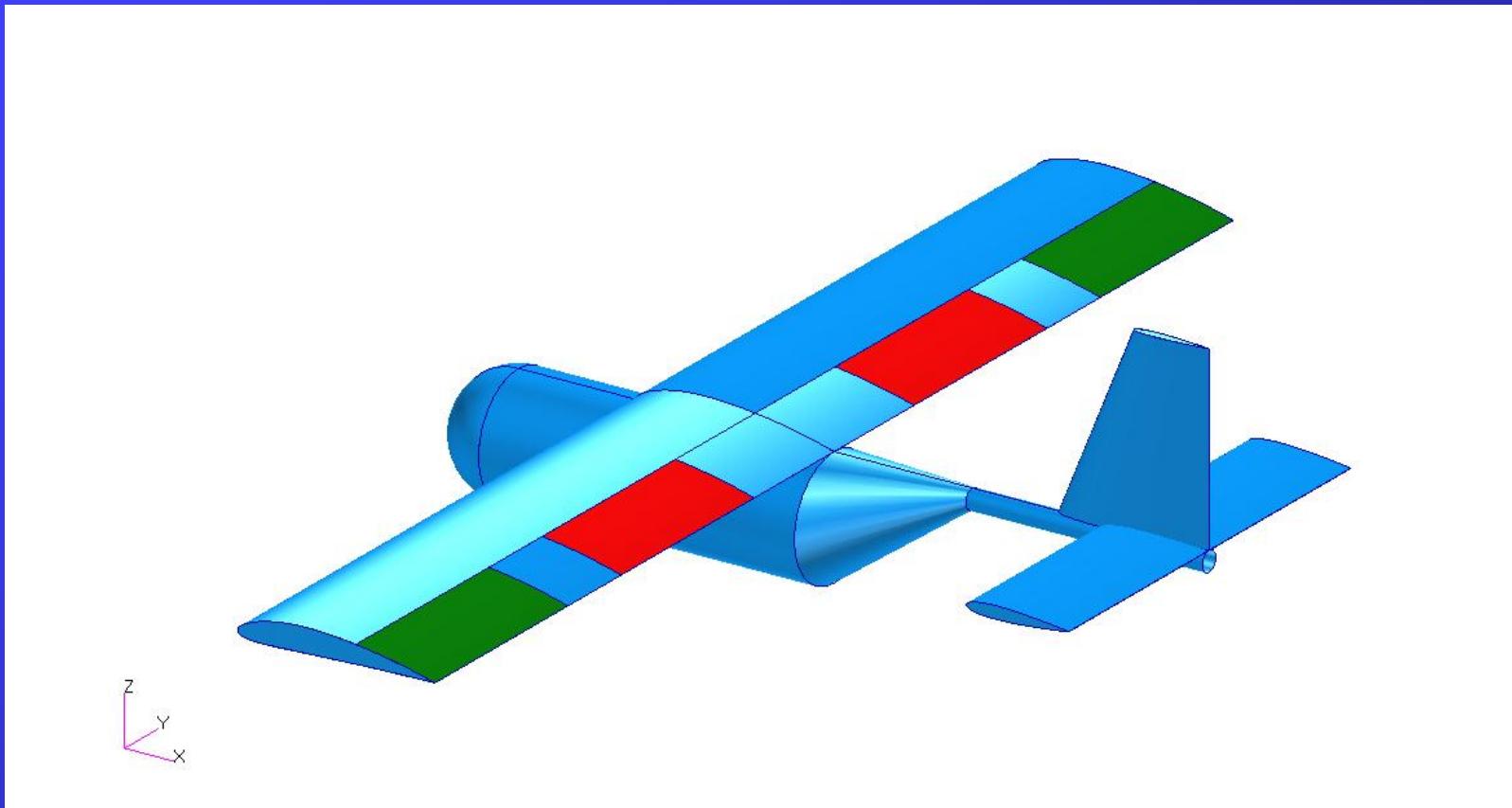
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3D Analysis, Lower Surface Static Pressure Contours, deflection from 0.6c



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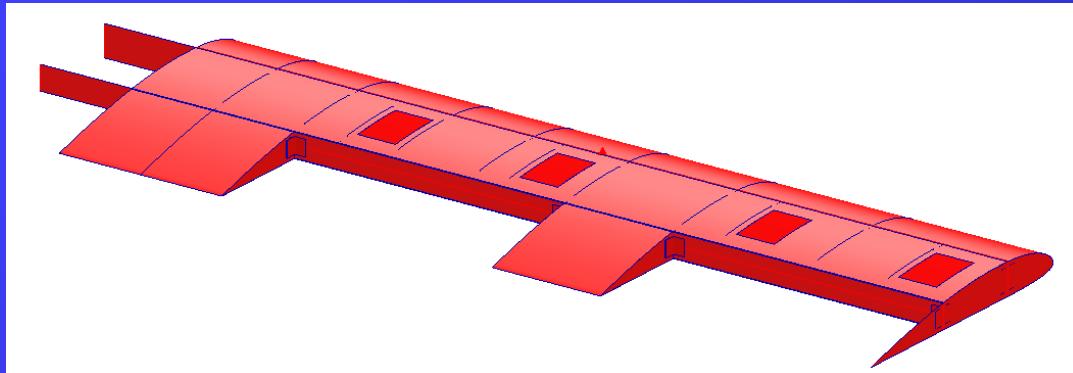


**Tactical Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
(TUAV)**

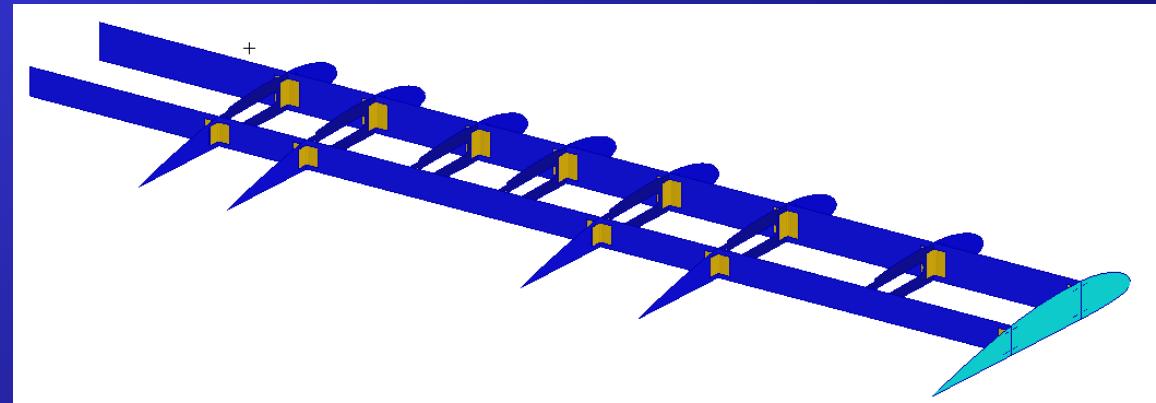


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Structural Models



**Isometric view of the
external geometry of the right wing**

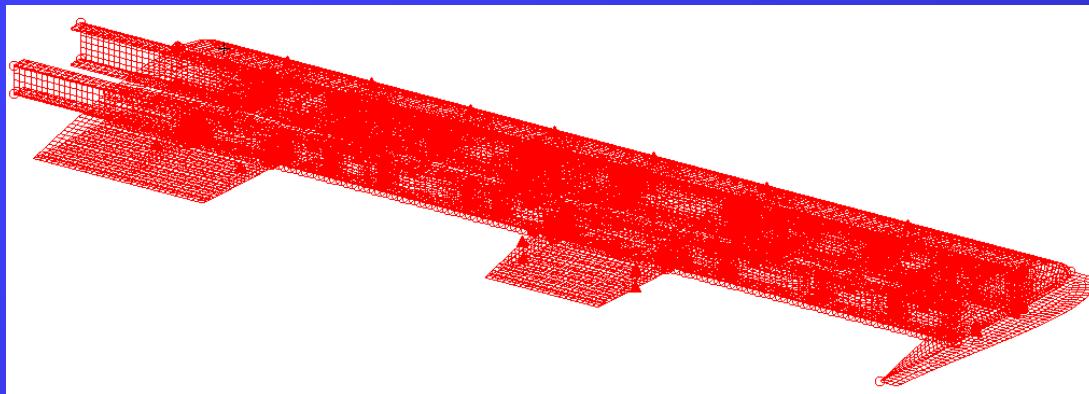


**Isometric view of the
internal structure of
the right wing**



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Generated mesh for the finite element analysis

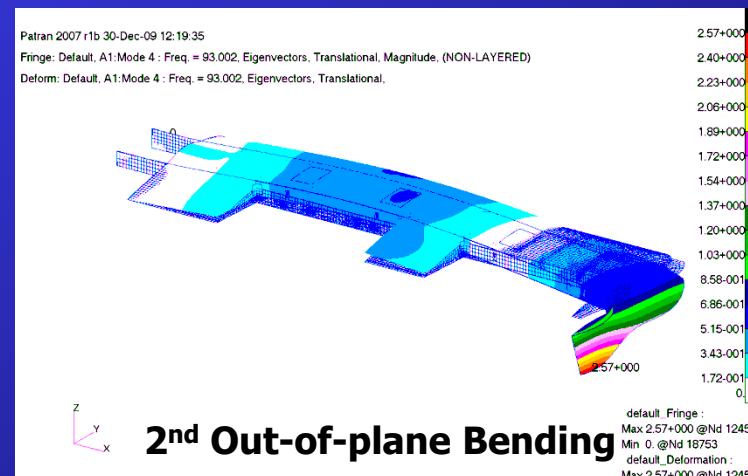
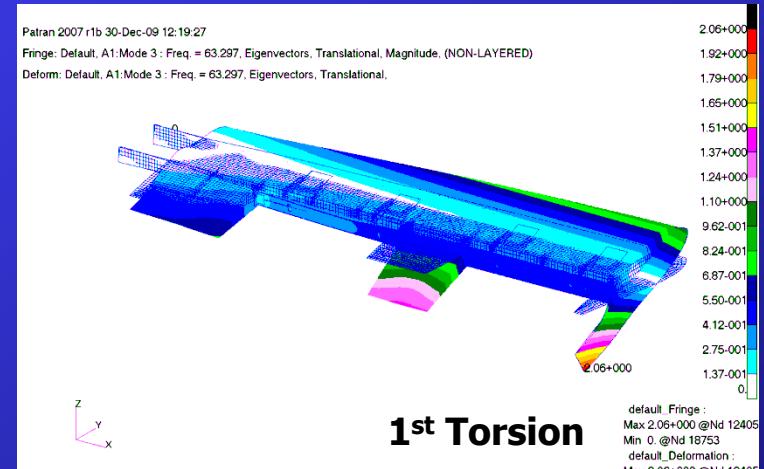
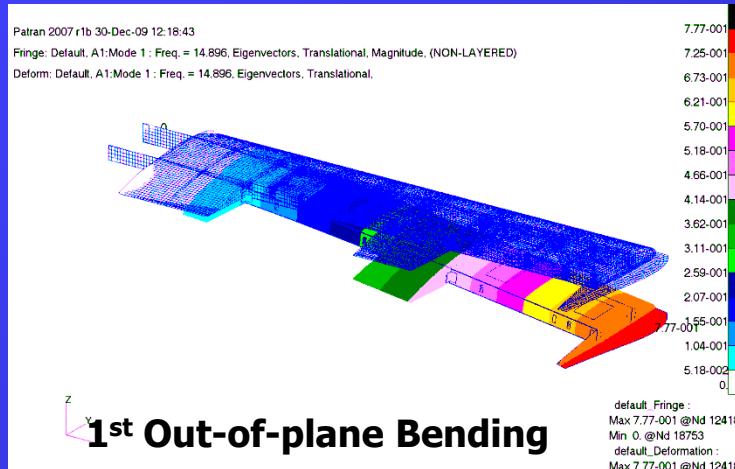
Ground vibration tests
of the wing





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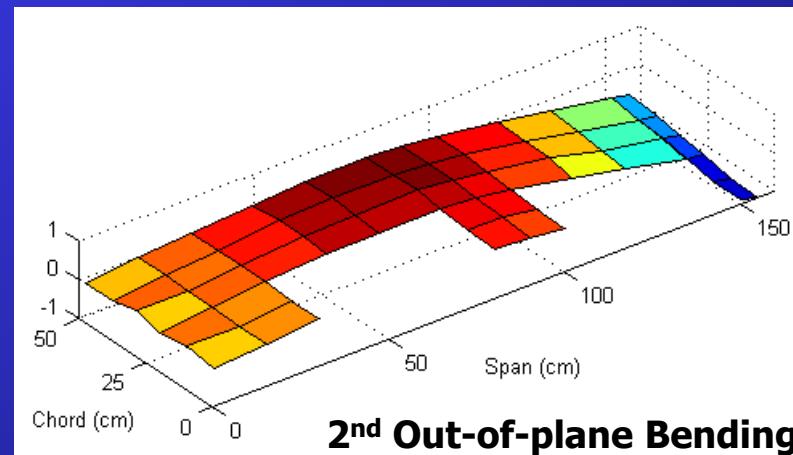
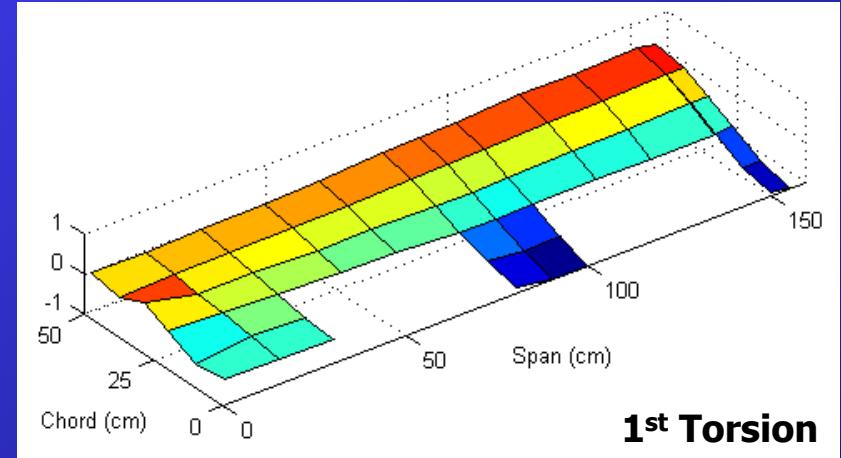
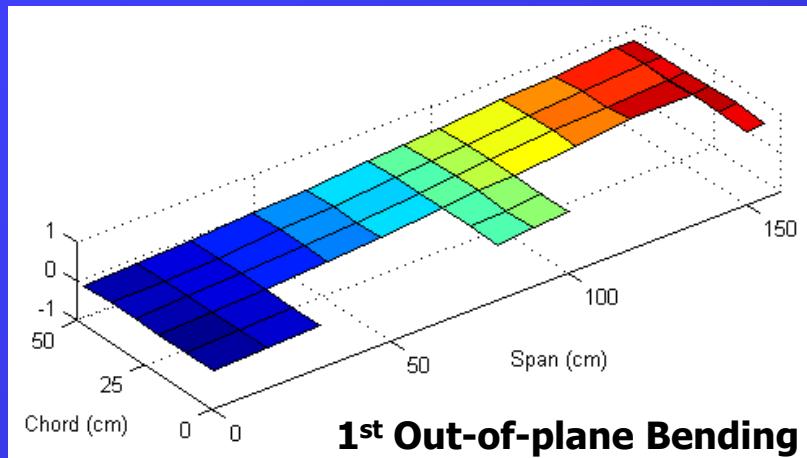
Finite Element Analysis: Mode Shapes





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Experimental Modal Testing: Mode Shapes





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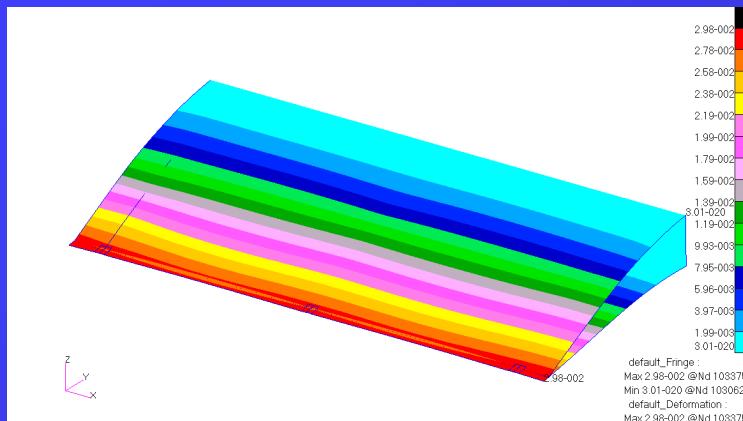
Comparison of Resonance Frequencies

Mode Shape	FEA Frequency [Hz]	Experimental Frequency [Hz]	Percentage Difference wrt Experimental Value
1. Out-of-plane bending	14.90	14.75	~ 1.02
1. Torsion	63.30	66.75	~ - 5.17
2. Out-of-plane bending	93.00	93.00	~ 0.00



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Unconventional Control Surface: Camber Change Case



Finite element analysis

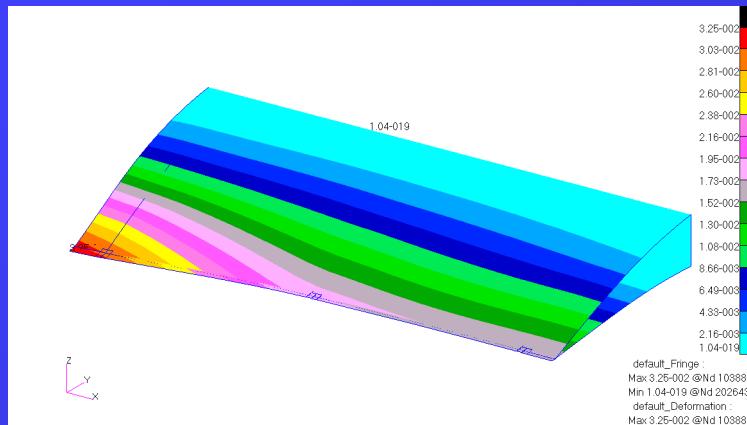


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Unconventional Control Surface: Twist Change Case



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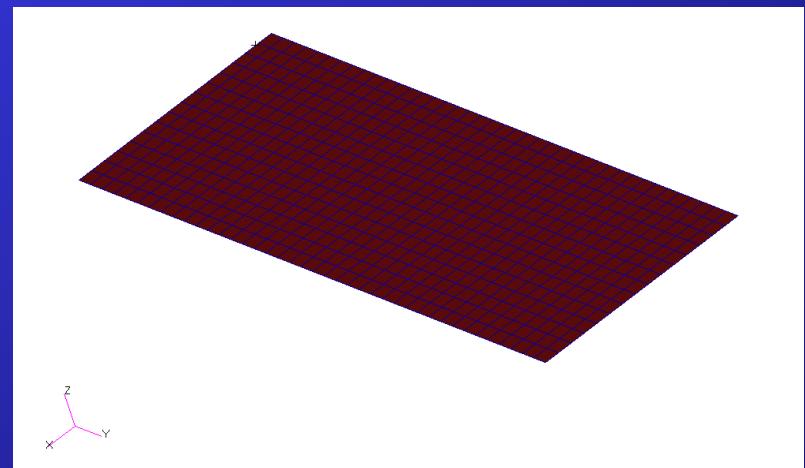
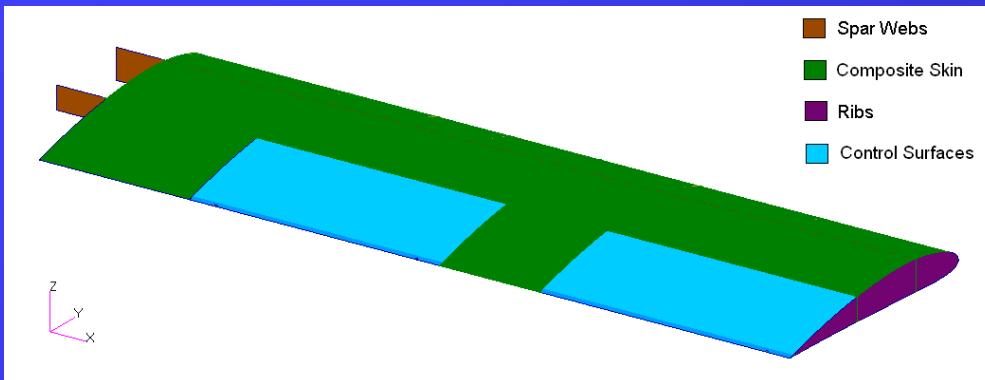


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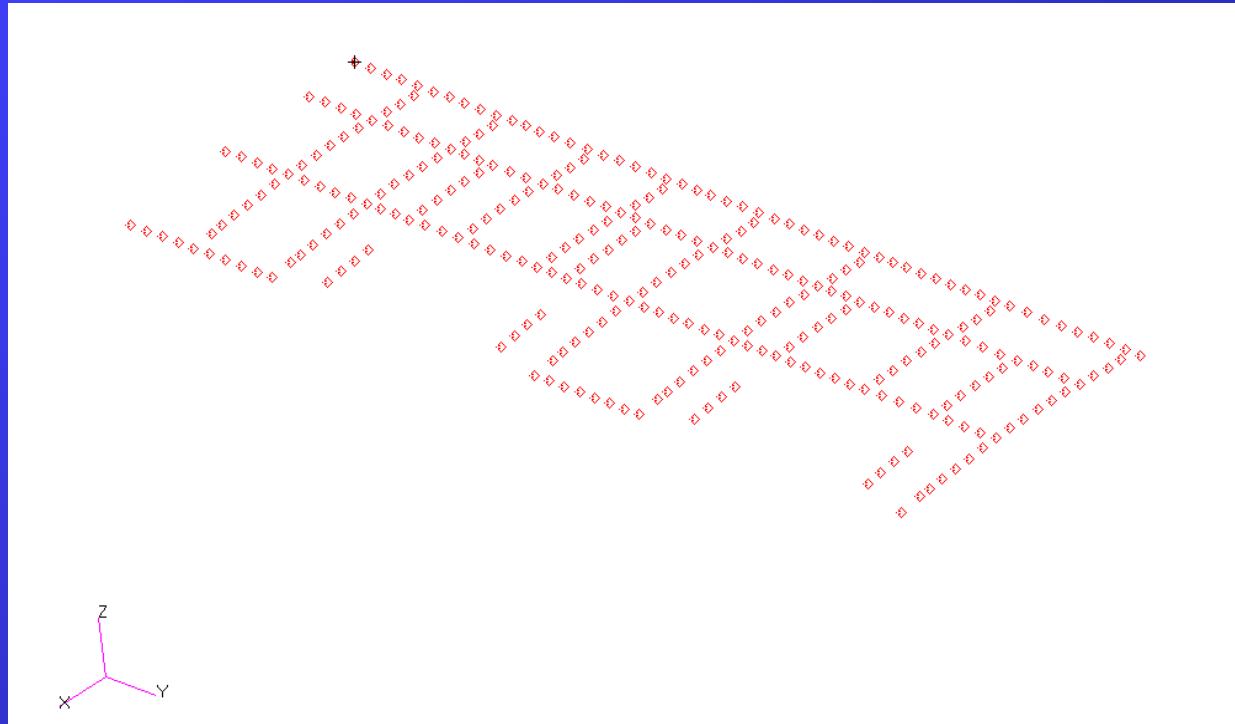


**Aeroelastic Model and the Lifting Surface
Used in the Aeroelastic Analyses**



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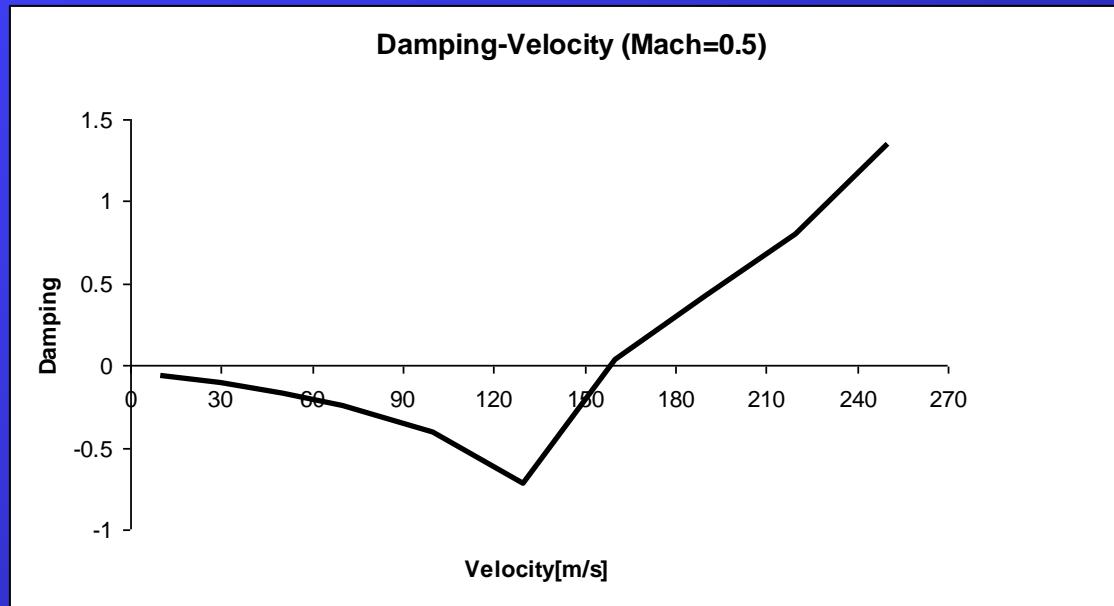


Grid Points Used to Generate Splines for Aeroelastic Analysis



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Possibility of flutter around 160 m/s,
outside the operational range,

SAFE !!



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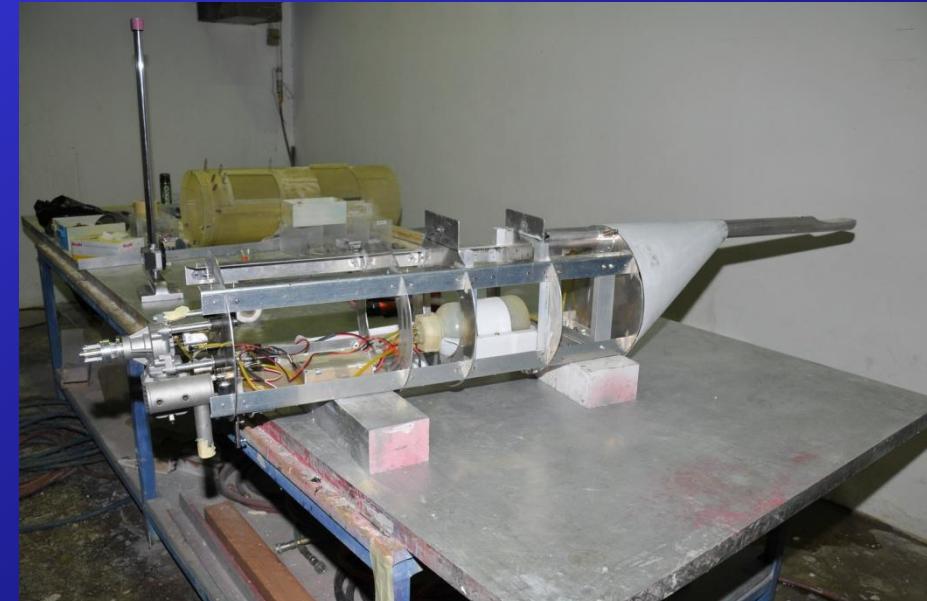
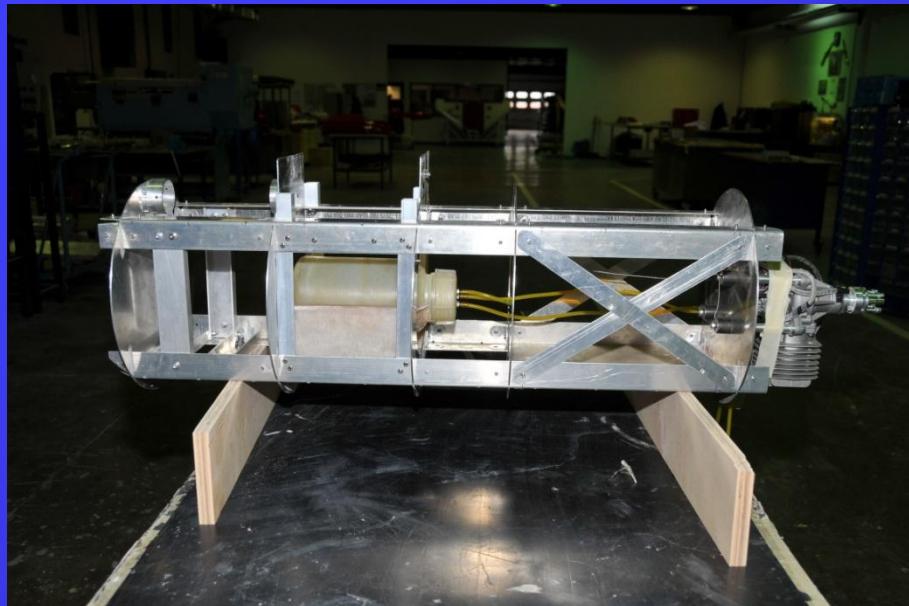
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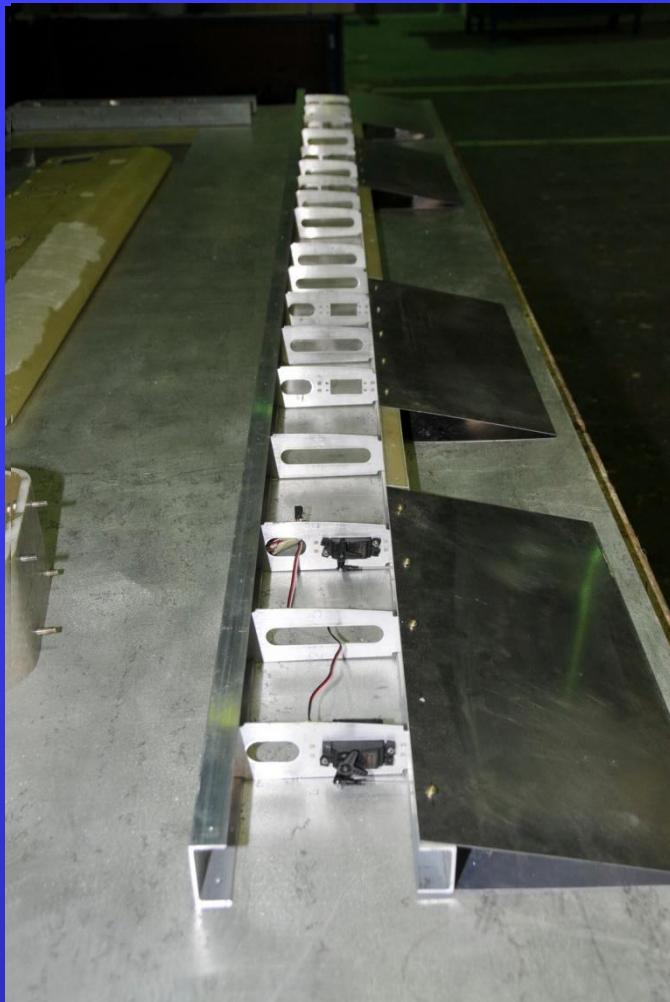
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Flight Tests

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Aircraft



Taxi Test



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Taxi and Jump Tests





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Unmanned Aerial Vehicle with Overwing Camera



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Flight from Overwing Camera



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