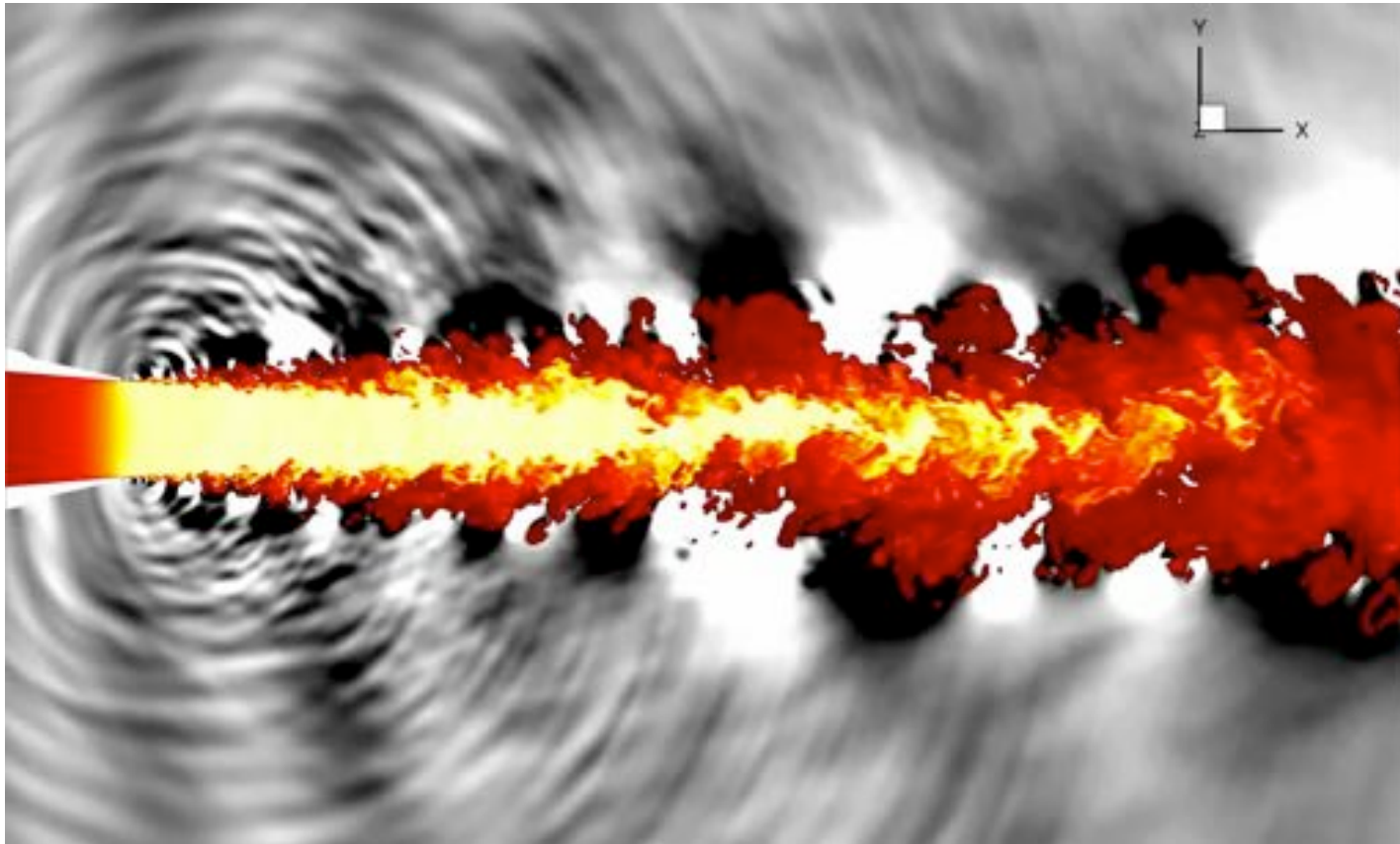# Jet Noise Prediction using Hybrid RANS/LES with Structured Overset Grids

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Introduction

o   NASA has initiated the development of quiet supersonic business Jets

o   Return of commercial supersonic flight will allow passengers to travel over the continental U.S. within hours and complete international business trips within a single day.

o   NASA awarded contract for preliminary design of a low boom flight demonstrator for Quiet Supersonic Technology project (QueSST)

o   Most efforts of the design are focused on reducing the sonic boom ground signature, however the noise constraints during takeoff and landing at subsonic speeds must be satisfied.

o   Computational aeroacoustic (CAA) tools can be used to assess the new designs at lower speeds.

o   This work represents the first part of a systematic validation effort in jet noise prediction capability for NASA Ames Launch Ascend and Vehicle Aerodynamics Code (LAVA).

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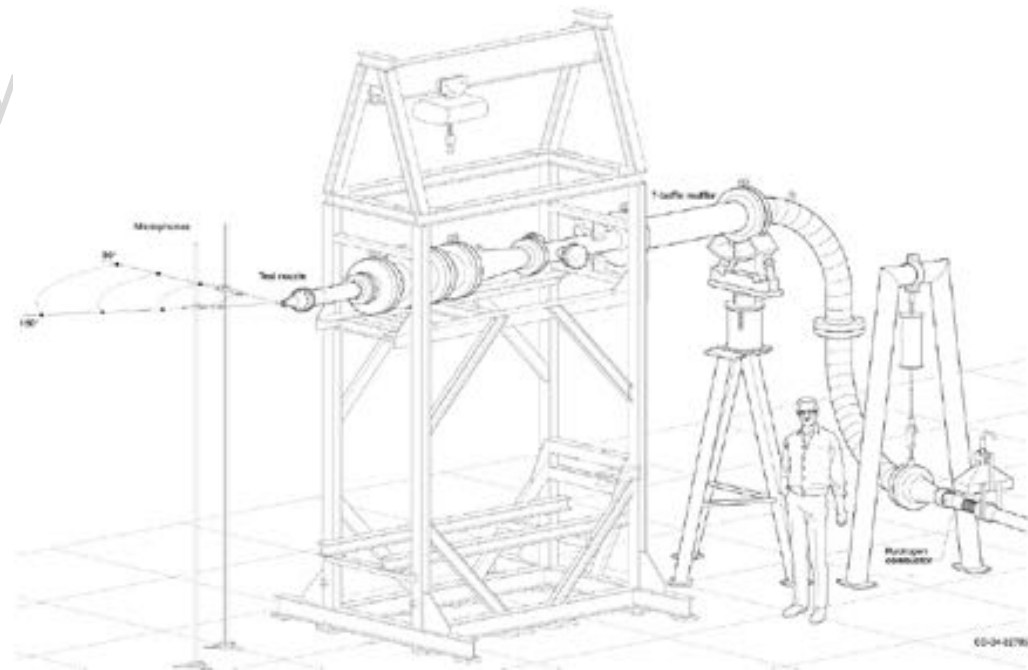
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Perspective view of SHJAR

PIV measurement device
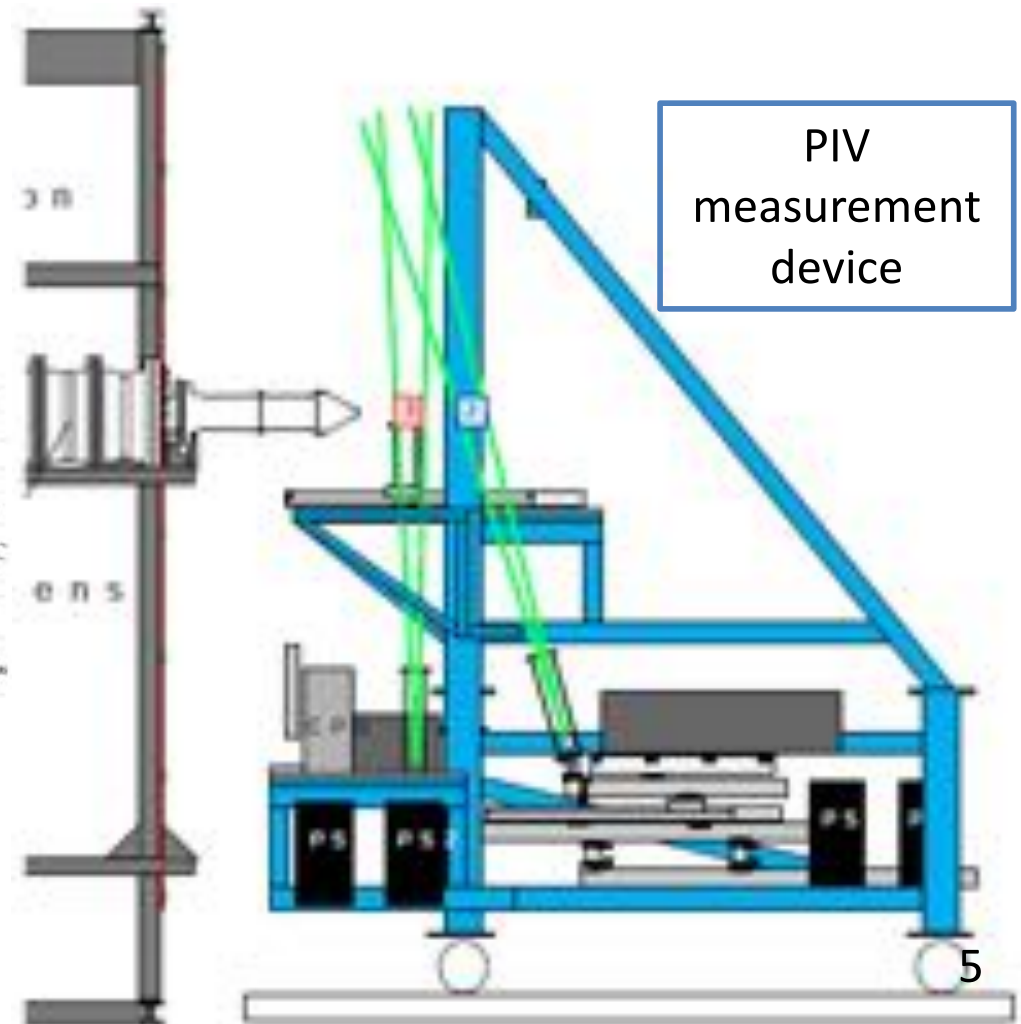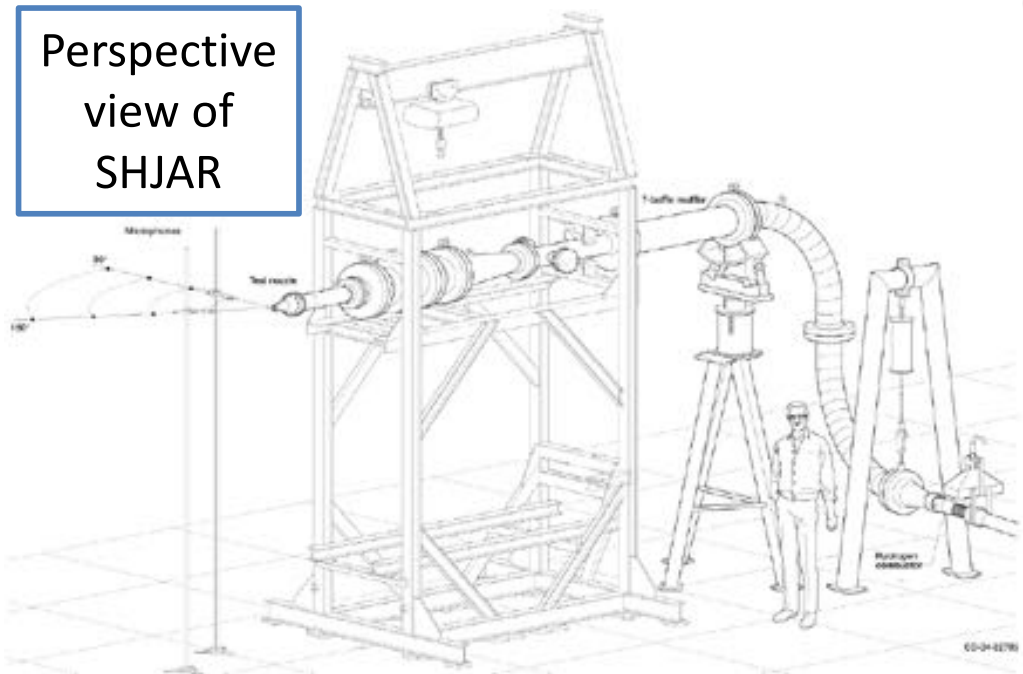
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Experimental Setup

o Baseline axisymmetric convergent Small Metal Chevron (SMC000) nozzle at Set Point 7 (SP7)
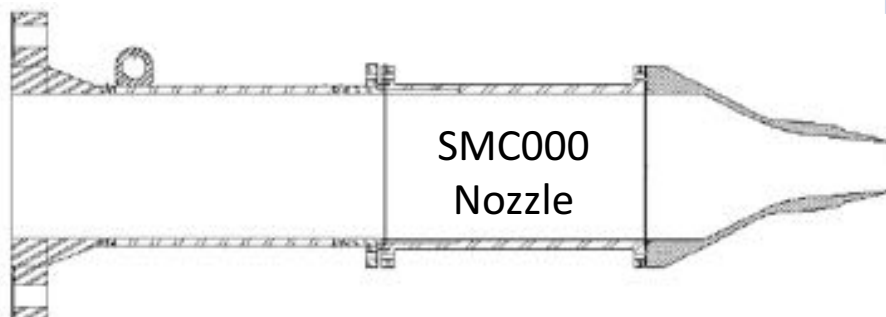o Nozzle axis in downstream flow direction is marked as 180°

$X_e/D = 0.242$ [-]

SMC000 Nozzle
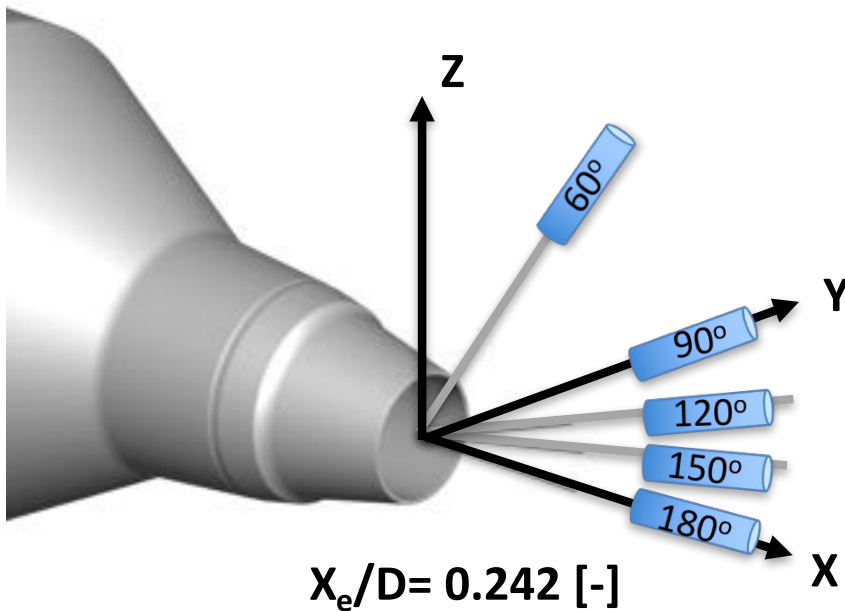
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Acoustic Mach number U_{jet}/c	0.9
Jet temperature ratio T_e/T	0.835
Nozzle pressure ratio NPR	1.861
Nozzle Diameter D	0.0508 [m] 2.0 [inch]
Reynold number Re_D	1 Mio
Reynolds number Re	800
Boundary layer thickness	0.0128 D

similar to: Bres et. al. (AIAA-2015-2535)

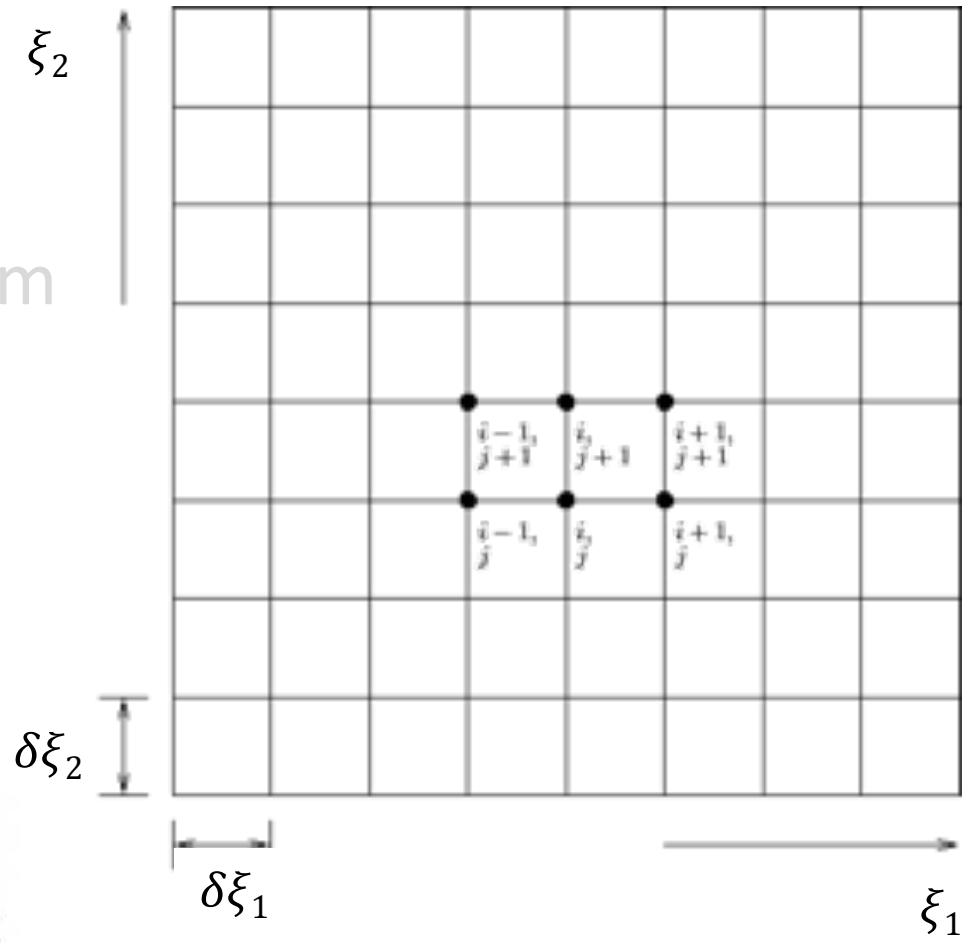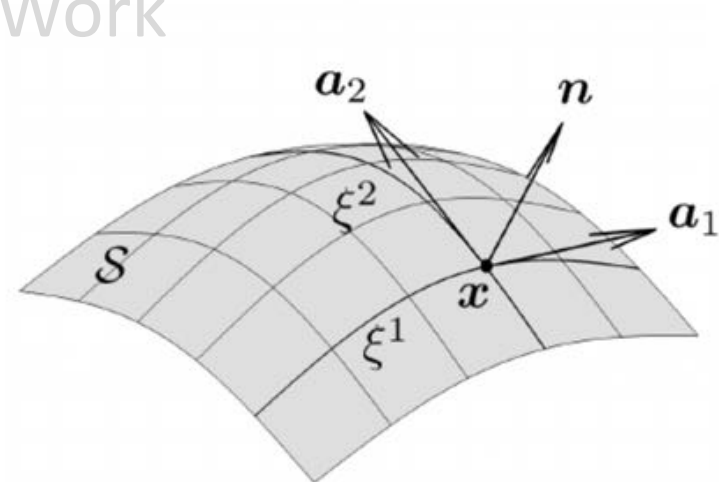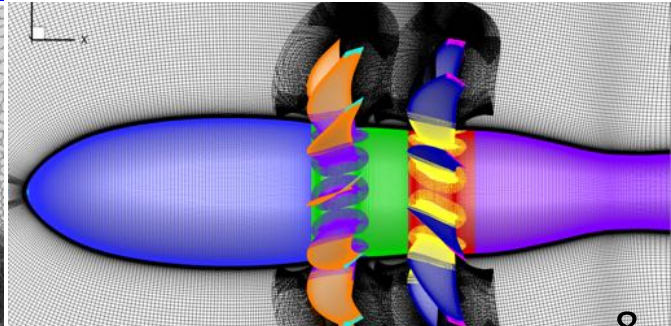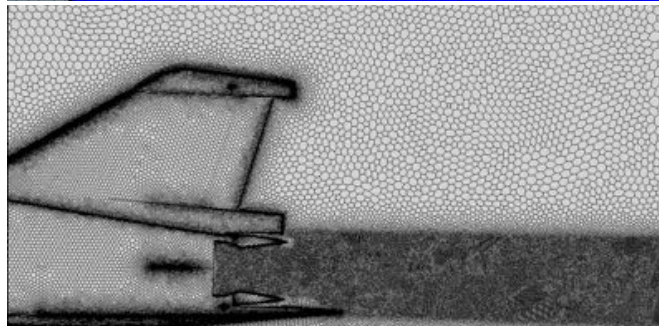"Bruit et vent" jet-noise facility at
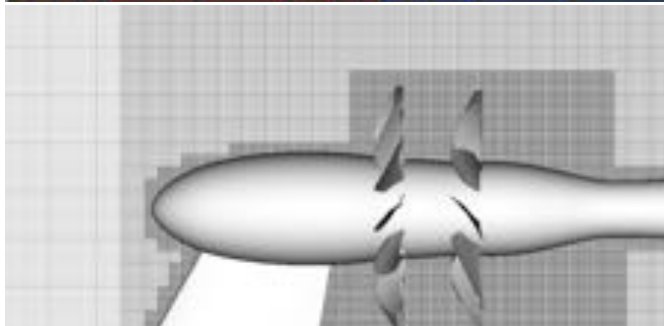
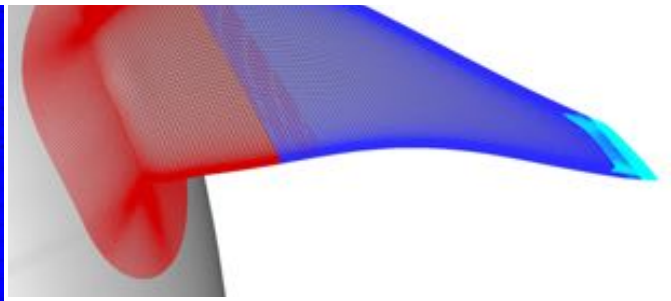Centre d'Etudes Aerodynamique et Termique

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Cartesian Immersed Boundary   *Unstructured Arbitrary Polyhedral*   *Overset Structured Curvilinear*
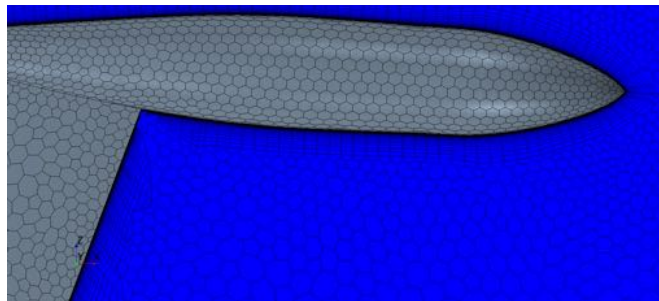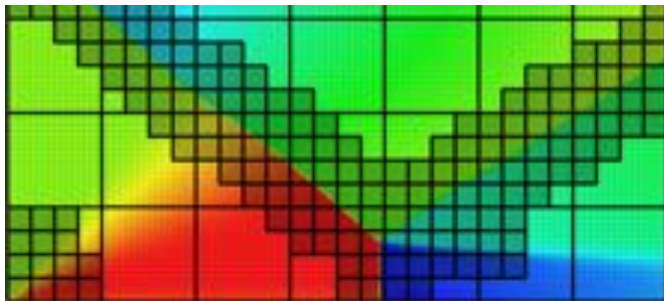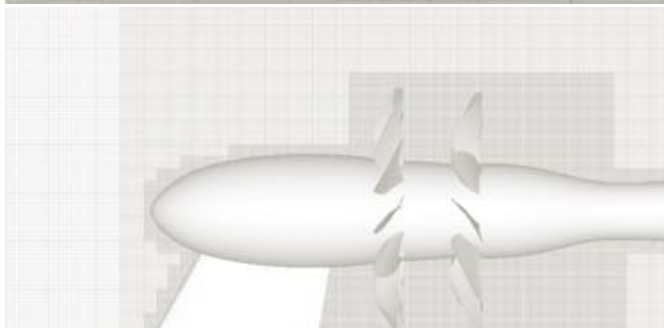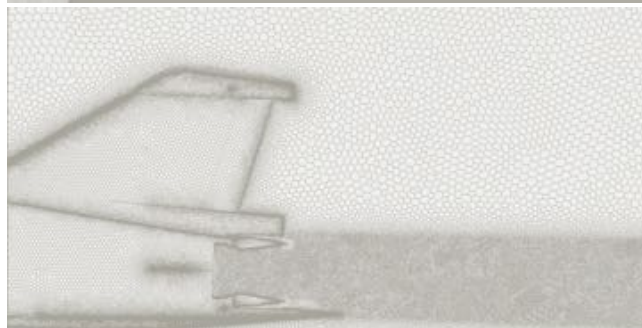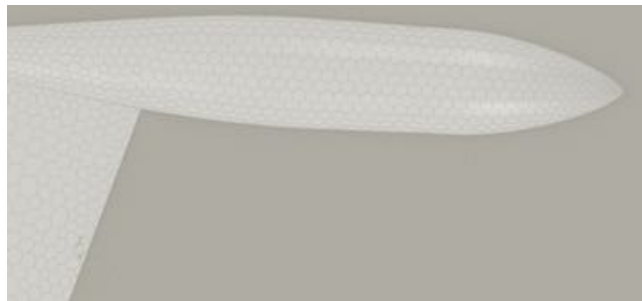
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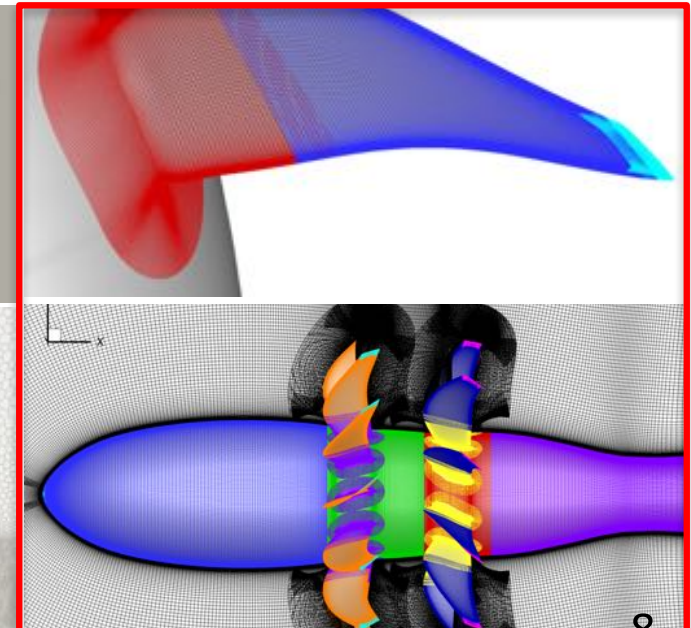*LAVA Framework* (Kiris et al. Aerospace Science and Technology, Volume 55, 2016)

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3-D Structured Curvilinear Overset Grid Solver

o Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model (baseline turbulence model)

Low-Dissipation Finite Difference Method (Housman et al. AIAA-2016-2963)

o 6th-order Hybrid Weighted Compact Nonlinear Scheme (HWCNS)

o Numerical flux is a modified Roe scheme

o $6^{th}/5^{th}$-order blended central/upwind biased left and right state interpolation

o 2nd-order accurate differencing used for time discretization

Hybrid RANS/LES Models

o Delayed Detached Eddy Simulation (DDES) model with modified length scale (Housman et al. AIAA-2017-0640)

o Zonal RANS-NLES (numerical LES) with user selected zones of URANS, NLES, and wall-distance based hybrid RANS-NLES (see paper for details)

Synthetic Eddy Method

o *Coupling Methodology between RANS and LES to introduce realistic turbulent eddies* (Jarrin et al. Int. Journal of Heat and Fluid Flow 30)

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Computational Methodology

o When transitioning from RANS to LES in wall-bounded flows it is necessary to insert meaningful three-dimensional content at the interface

o The synthetic eddy method (SEM) is one approach which adds eddies in such away that first and second order turbulent statistics can be satisfied. (approx. from the RANS solution with Bradshaw hypothesis)

Jet Case SP 7

$$\Delta xSEM = x_{exit} - x_{SEM}$$

$$54\ \delta < \Delta x_{SEM} < 55\ \delta$$
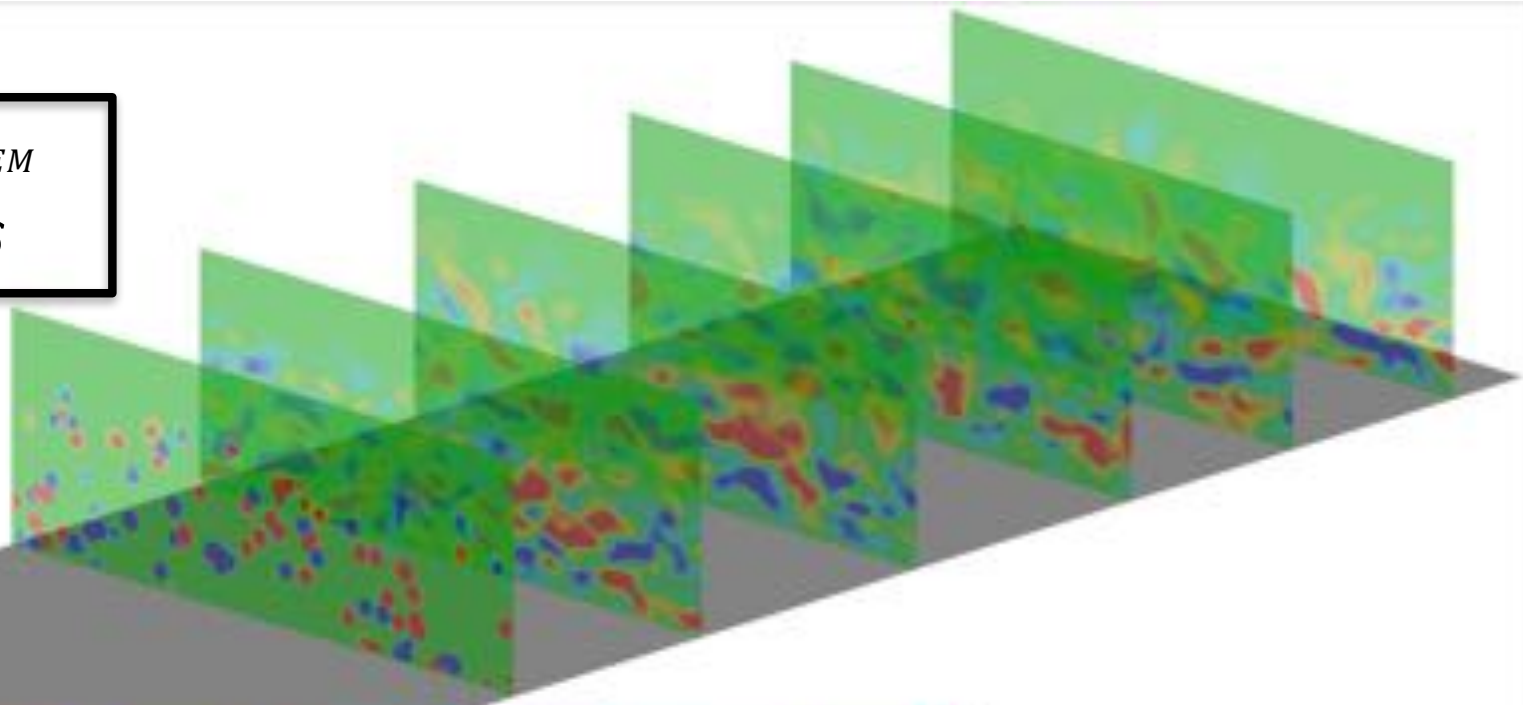
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Computational Methodology

uRANS

$\Delta t = 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ [s] ; 0.4 [s]

initialize Hybrid RANS/LES

$\Delta t = 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [s] ; nt > 30000

final Hybrid RANS/LES

$\Delta t = 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [s]
$St_{max} = 16.25$, $St_{min} = 0.008$
$T_{conv} \approx 205$

- o Unsteady RANS until jet is fully developed and eddy viscosity maximum has plateaued
- o Restart simulation with Hybrid RANS/LES Models until transient behavior washed out
- o Ignore transients which are taken at first 30000 time-steps and restart simulation
- o Record Volume data at 100 kHz sampling frequency for greater than 0.02 seconds (approx. 205 convective time units)

	baseline	coarse	refined
Processors	1392 (has)	260 (ivy)	960 (has)
Wall-Clock Time [day]	12.5		
Sub-iterations	5		
Convergence	2-4 orders every sub-iteration		
Number Eddies (SEM)	-	5000	5000

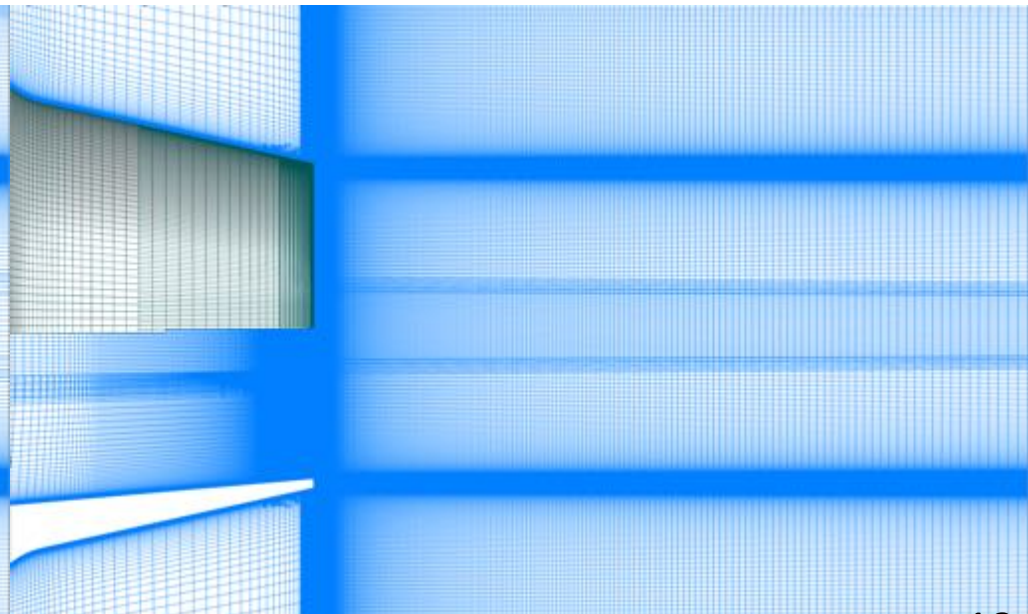11

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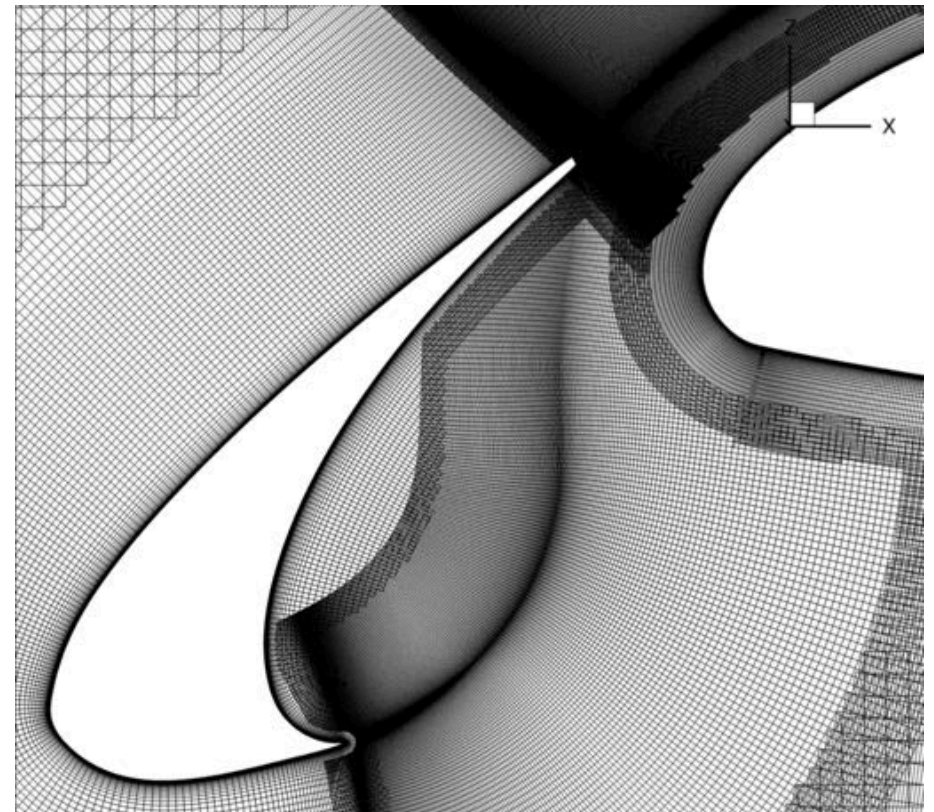
Structured Overset Grid System

Baseline (256 M)

- Baseline (256 M)
- Coarse (28 M)
- Refined (106 M)
- Seven point overlap
- No orphan points
- Minimum stencil quality 0.9
- Baseline follows Bogey et. al (AIAA-2016-0261)

Coarse (28 M)

Refined (106 M)
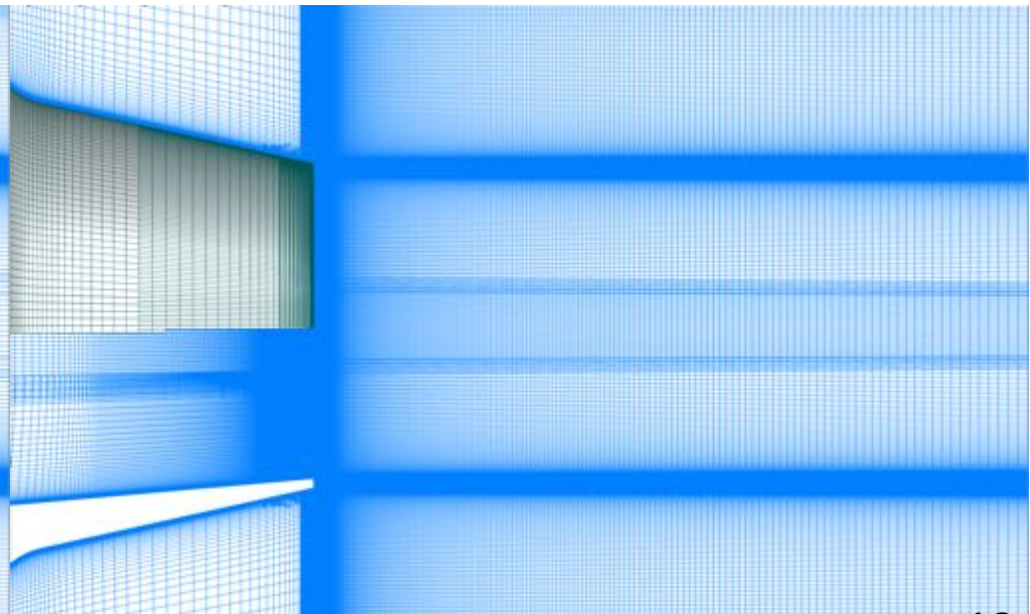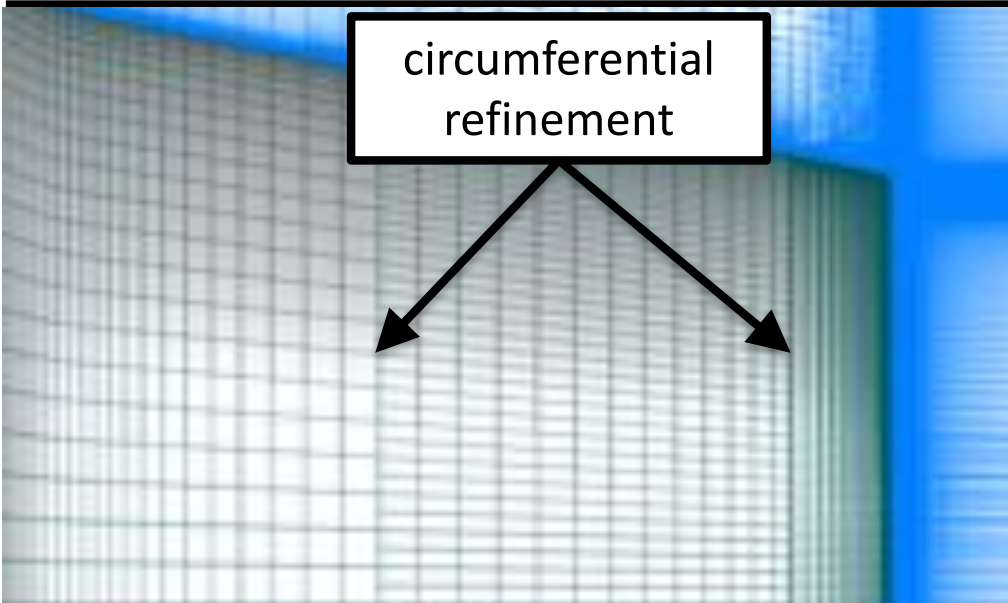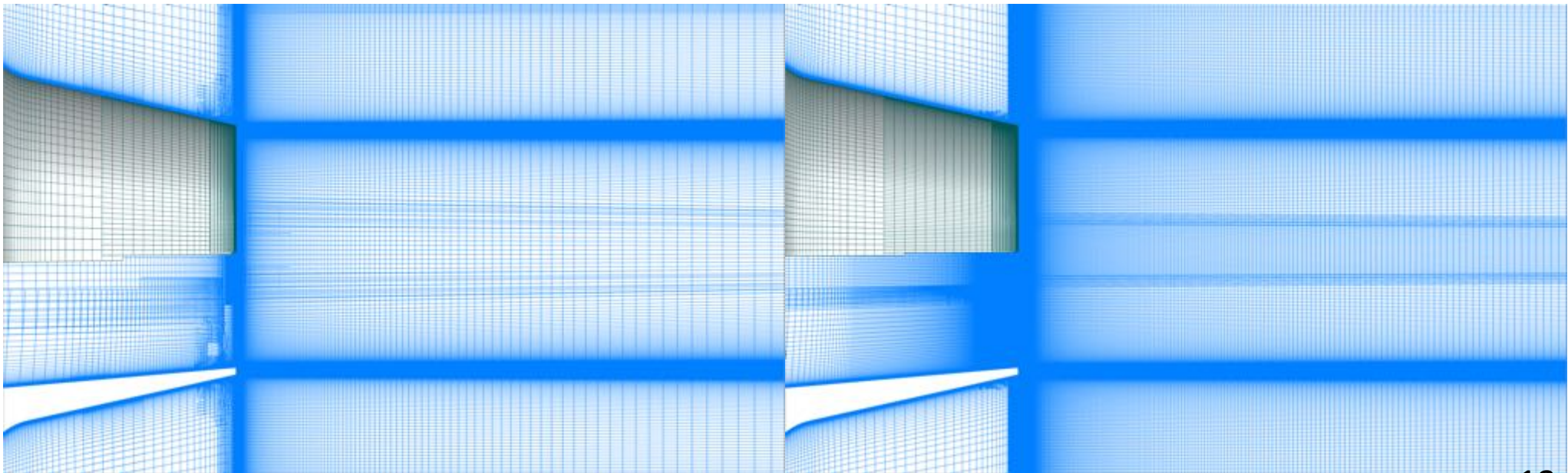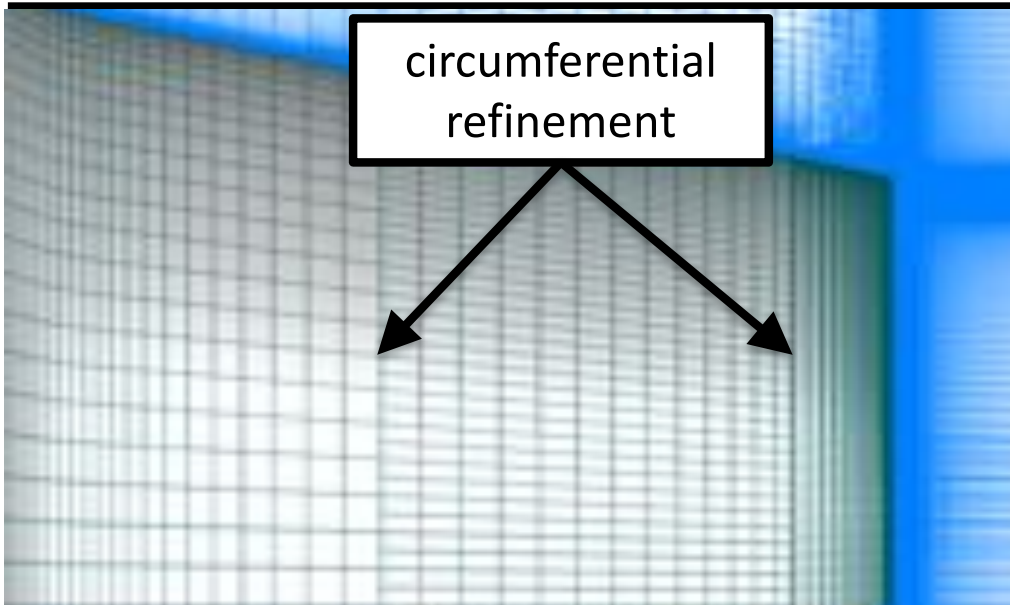
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Bres *et. al.* (AIAA-2015-2535)

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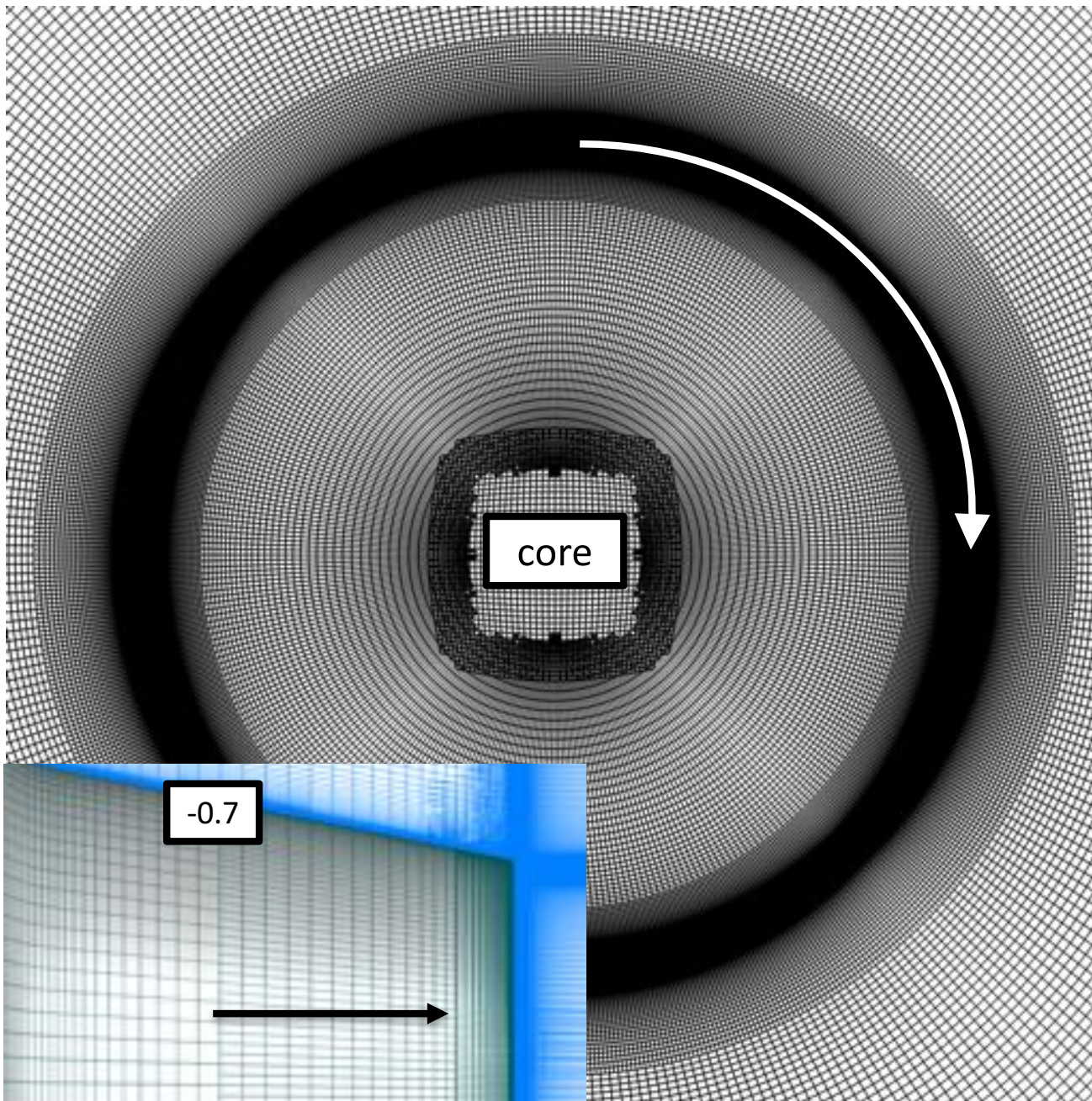
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circumferential refinement

coarse | refined

90 | 180

180 | 360

360 | 720

baseline 360

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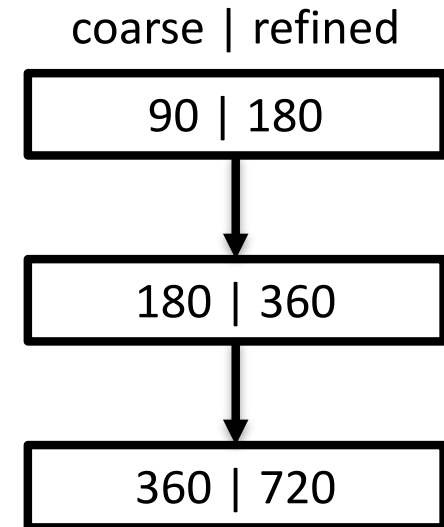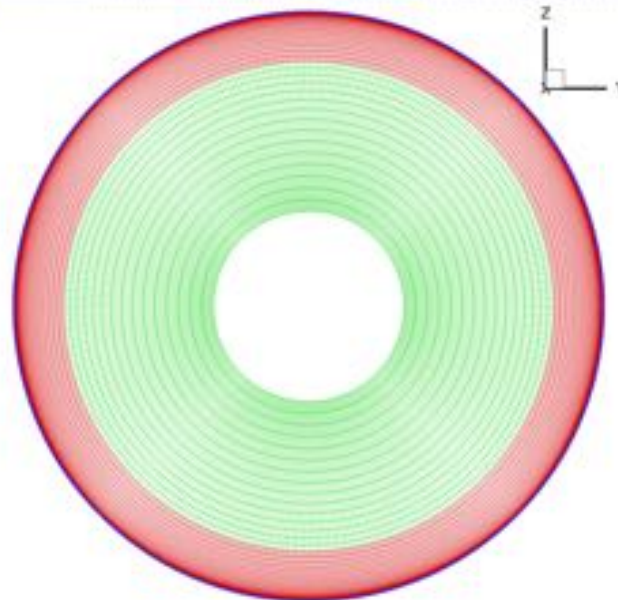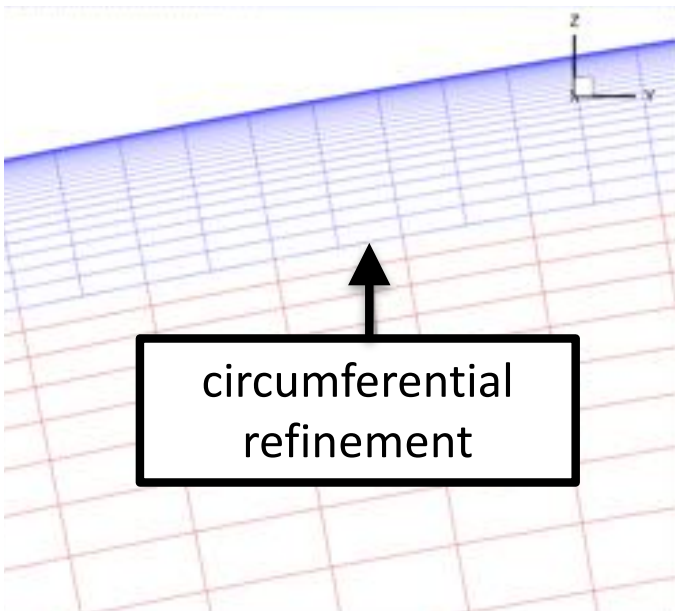
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axial/radial AR

	$(x-x_{exit})/D$	AR
wall	-0.7	321.15
core	-0.7	0.50
wall	0.0	34.50
core	0.0	0.06
shear	$0.5 - 25.0$	10.50
core	$0.5 - 25.0$	1.05

circumferential/radial AR

	$(x-x_{exit})/D$	AR
wall	-0.7	436.82
core	-0.7	1.00
wall	0.0	221.00
core	0.0	1.00
shear	$0.5 - 25.0$	1134
core	$0.5 - 25.0$	1.00

SEM
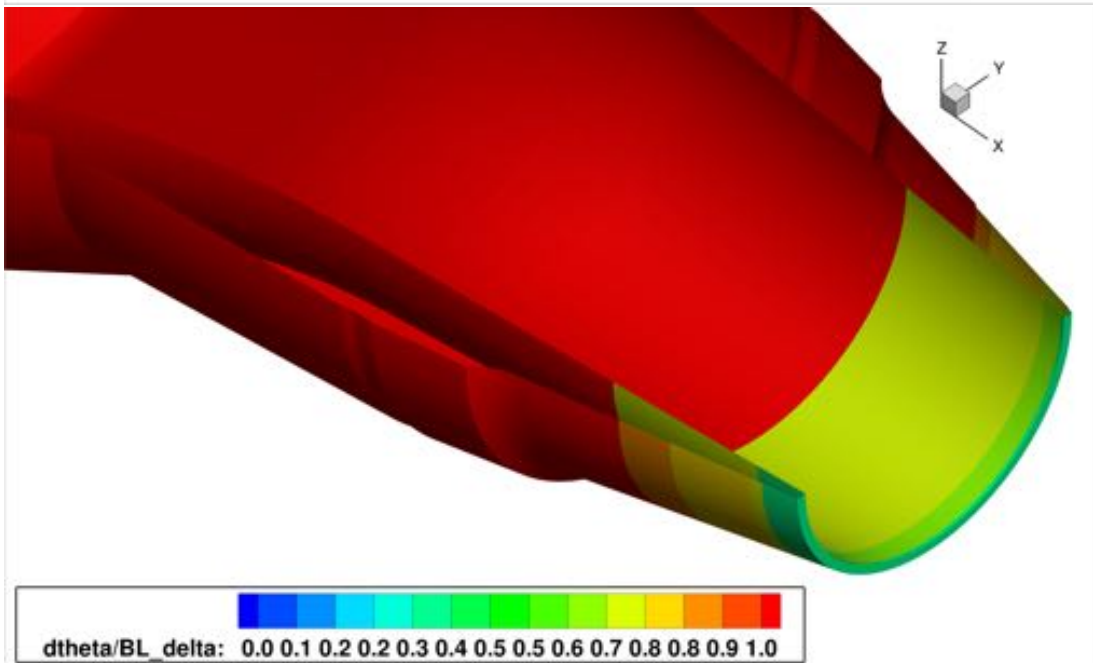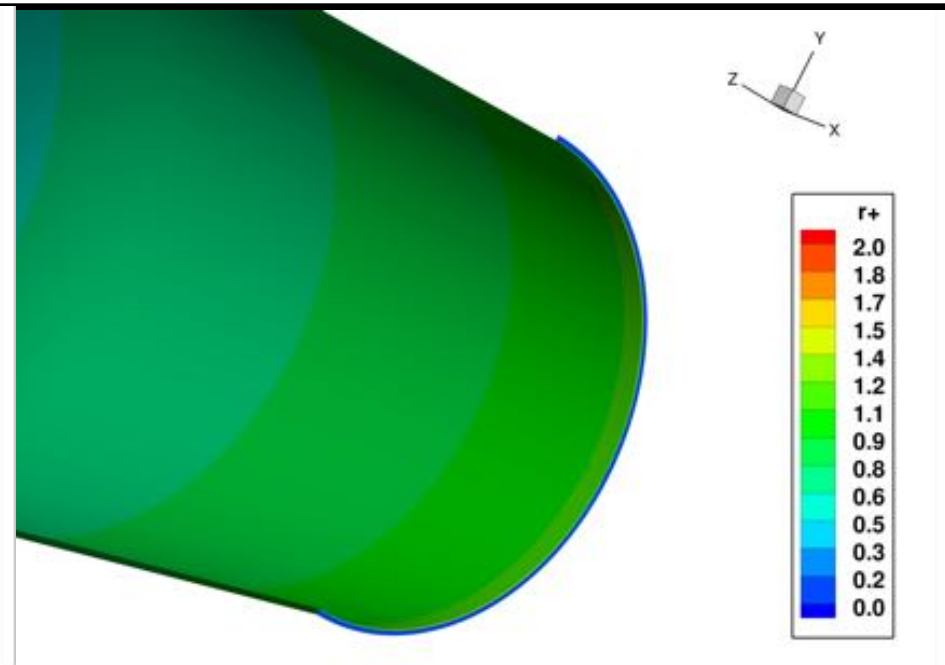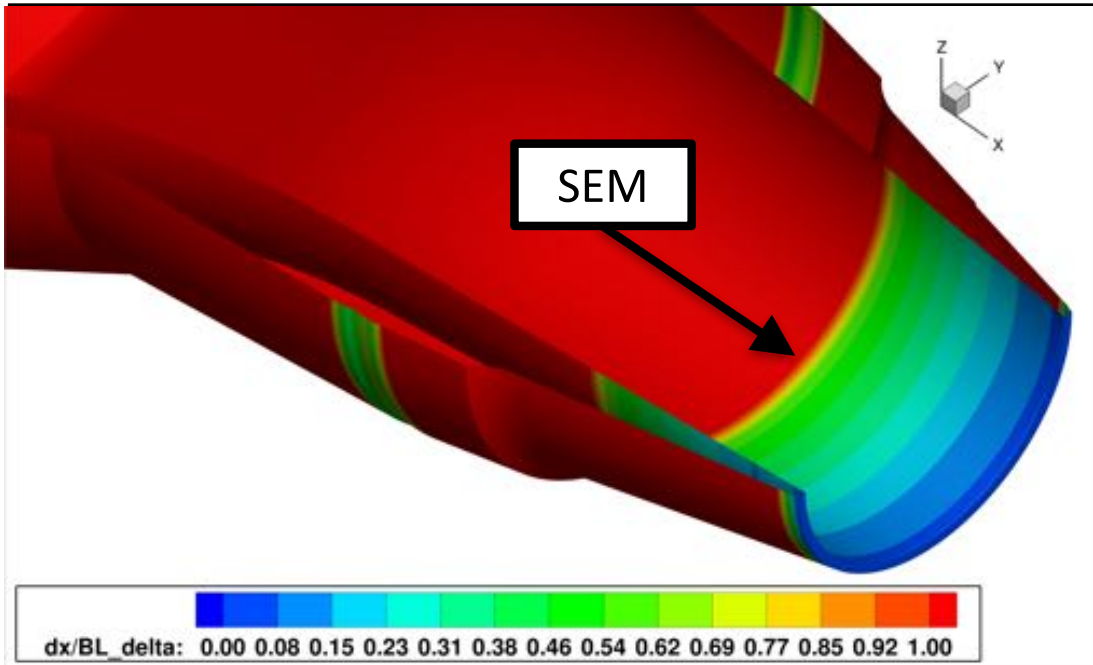
dx/BL_delta: 0.00 0.08 0.15 0.23 0.31 0.38 0.46 0.54 0.62 0.69 0.77 0.85 0.92 1.00

r+
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1.8
1.7
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1.4
1.2
1.1
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0.8
0.6
0.5
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0.2
0.0

dtheta/BL_delta: 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.8 0.9 1.0

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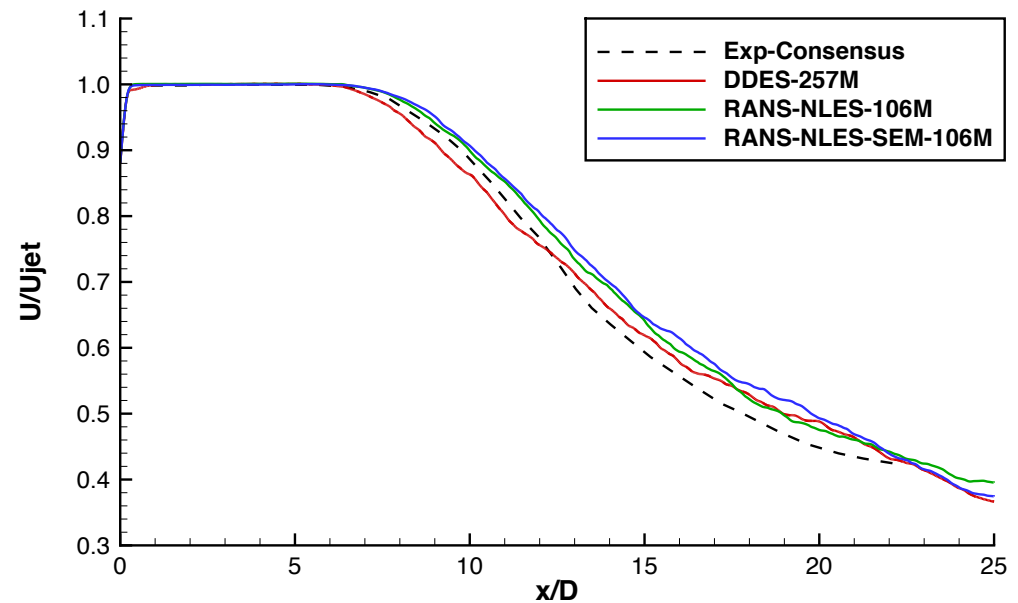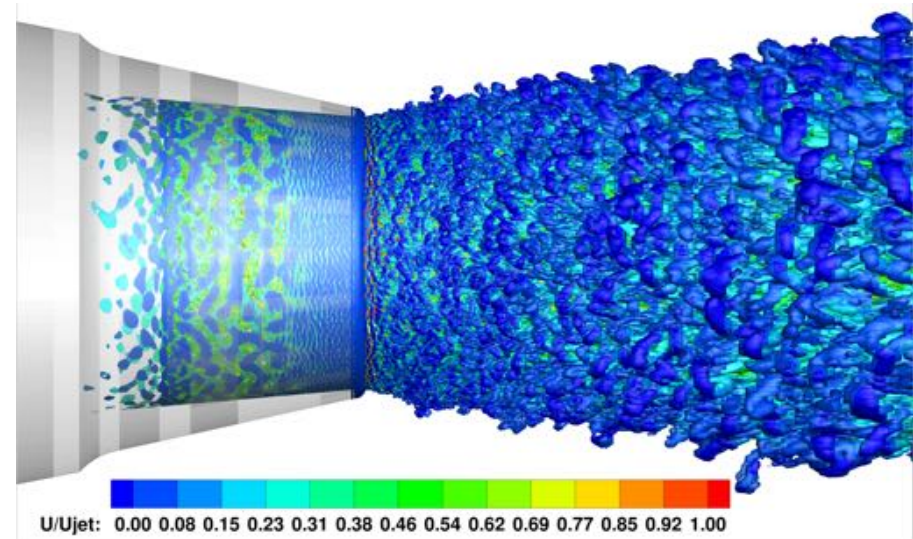
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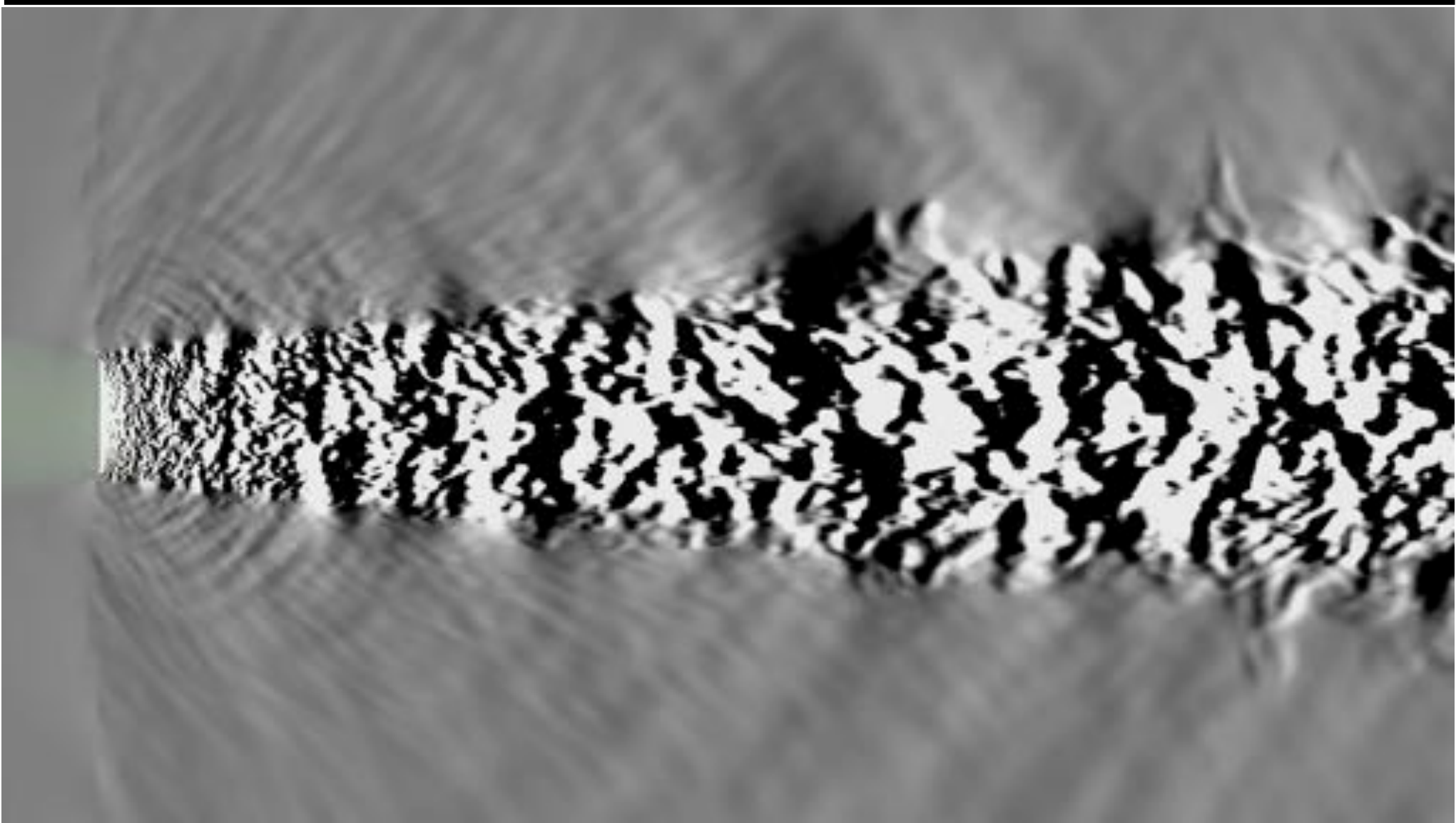
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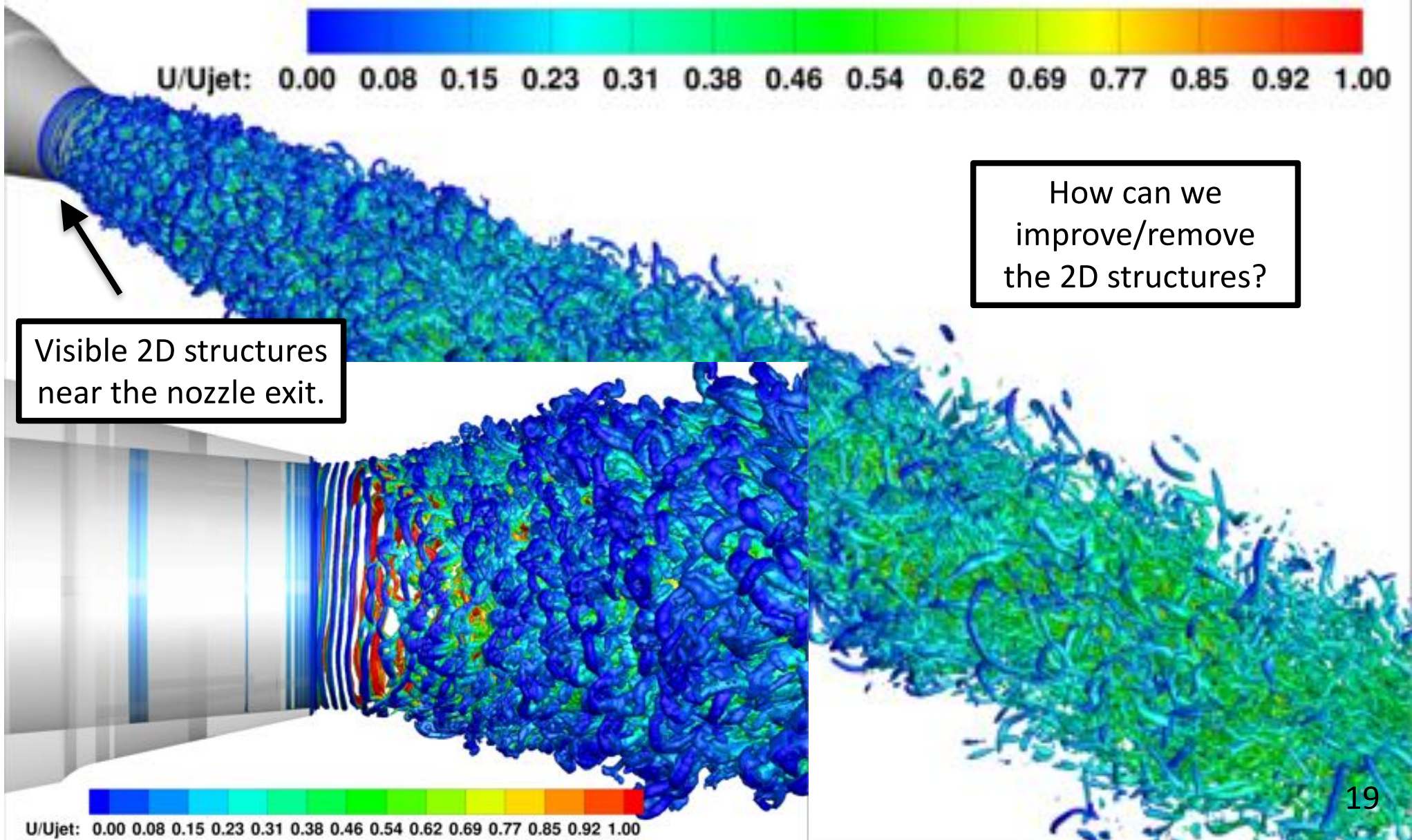Flow Field Visualization: Iso-contour of Q-criteria colored by axial velocity

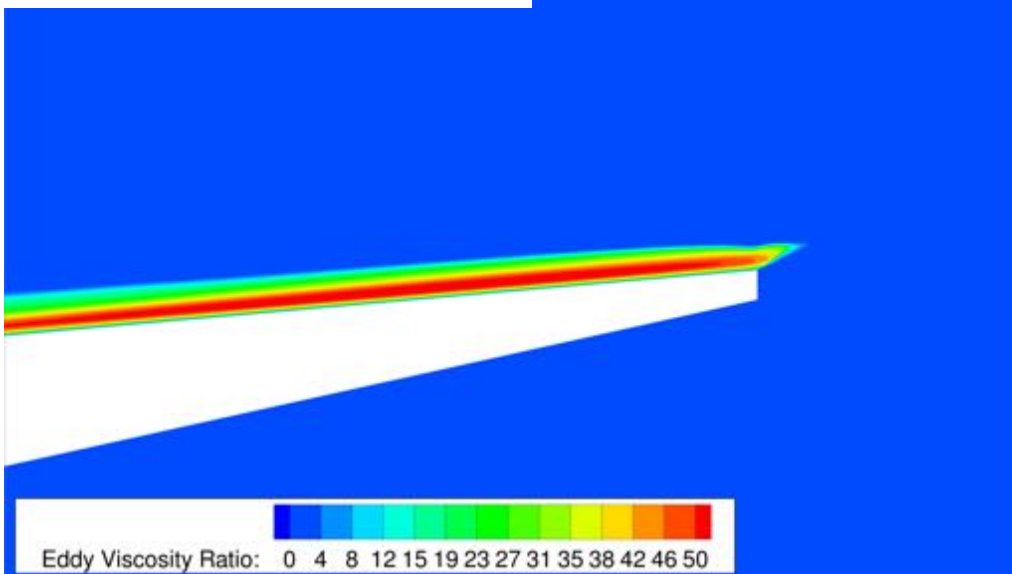U/Ujet: 0.00 0.08 0.15 0.23 0.31 0.38 0.46 0.54 0.62 0.69 0.77 0.85 0.92 1.00

How can we improve/remove the 2D structures?

Visible 2D structures near the nozzle exit.

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Computational Results

Indicator Function: DDES-256M

fd: 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.8 0.9 1.0

μ_T/μ_∞: DDES-256M

Eddy Viscosity Ratio: 0 4 8 12 15 19 23 27 31 35 38 42 46 50

o Indicator function f_d indicates if in RANS or LES mode.

o Stays in RANS mode in nozzle interior and quickly transitions to LES downstream of nozzle lip

o Retains large eddy viscosity throughout the boundary layer

o Shielding function RANS-NLES:

$$f_d = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\left[1 - \tanh\left(\epsilon_d(d_{wall} - d_0)\right)\right]$$
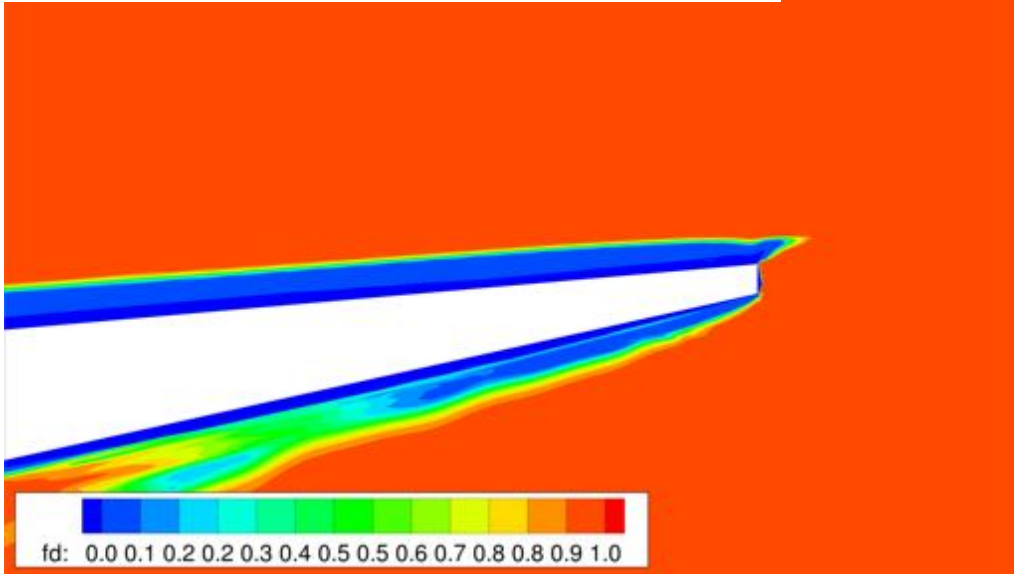
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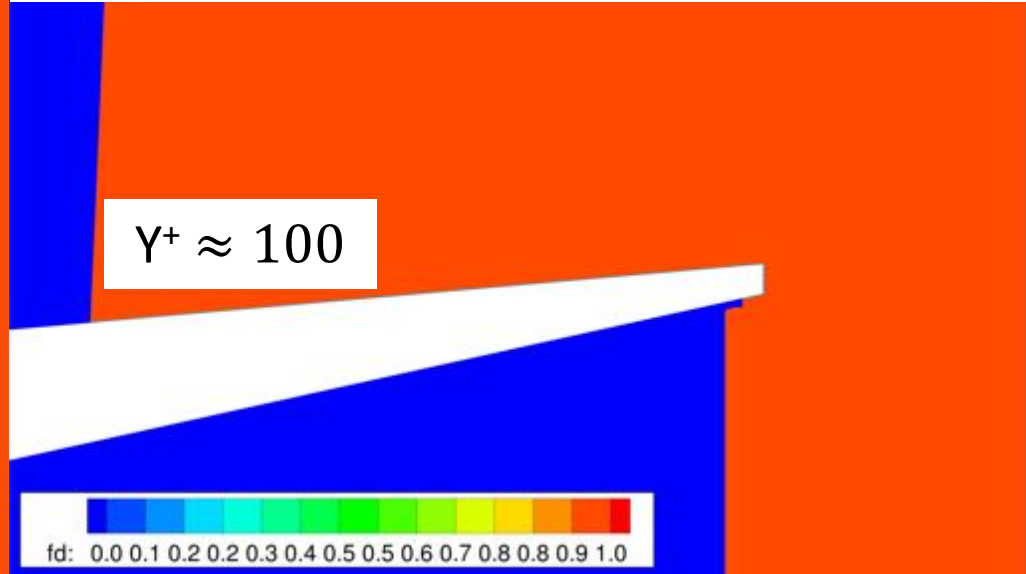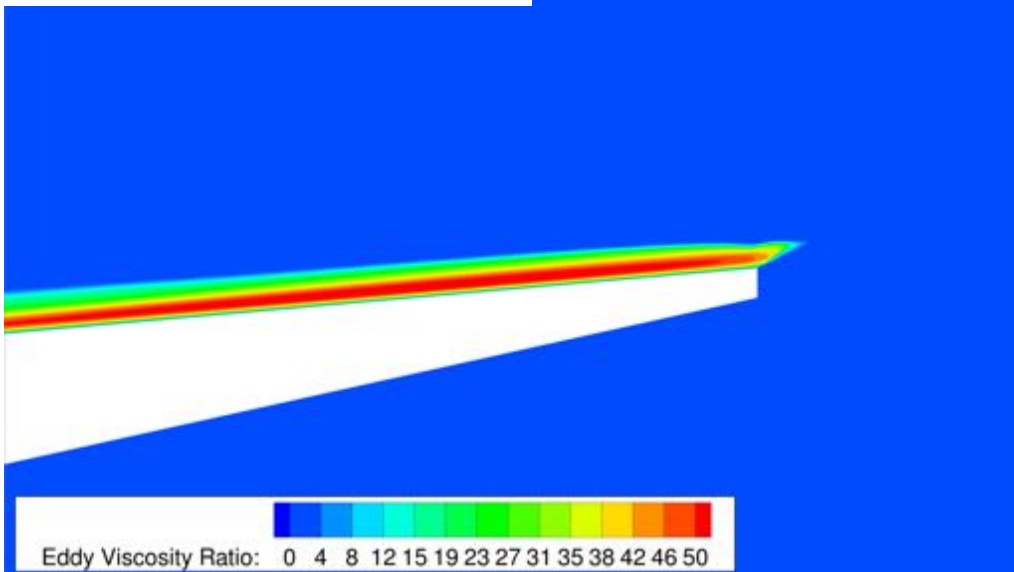ϵ_d : blending (user)

Computational Results

Indicator Function: DDES-256M

Indicator Function: RANS-NLES-SEM-106M

$Y^+ \approx 100$

fd: 0.0 0.1 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.8 0.9 1.0

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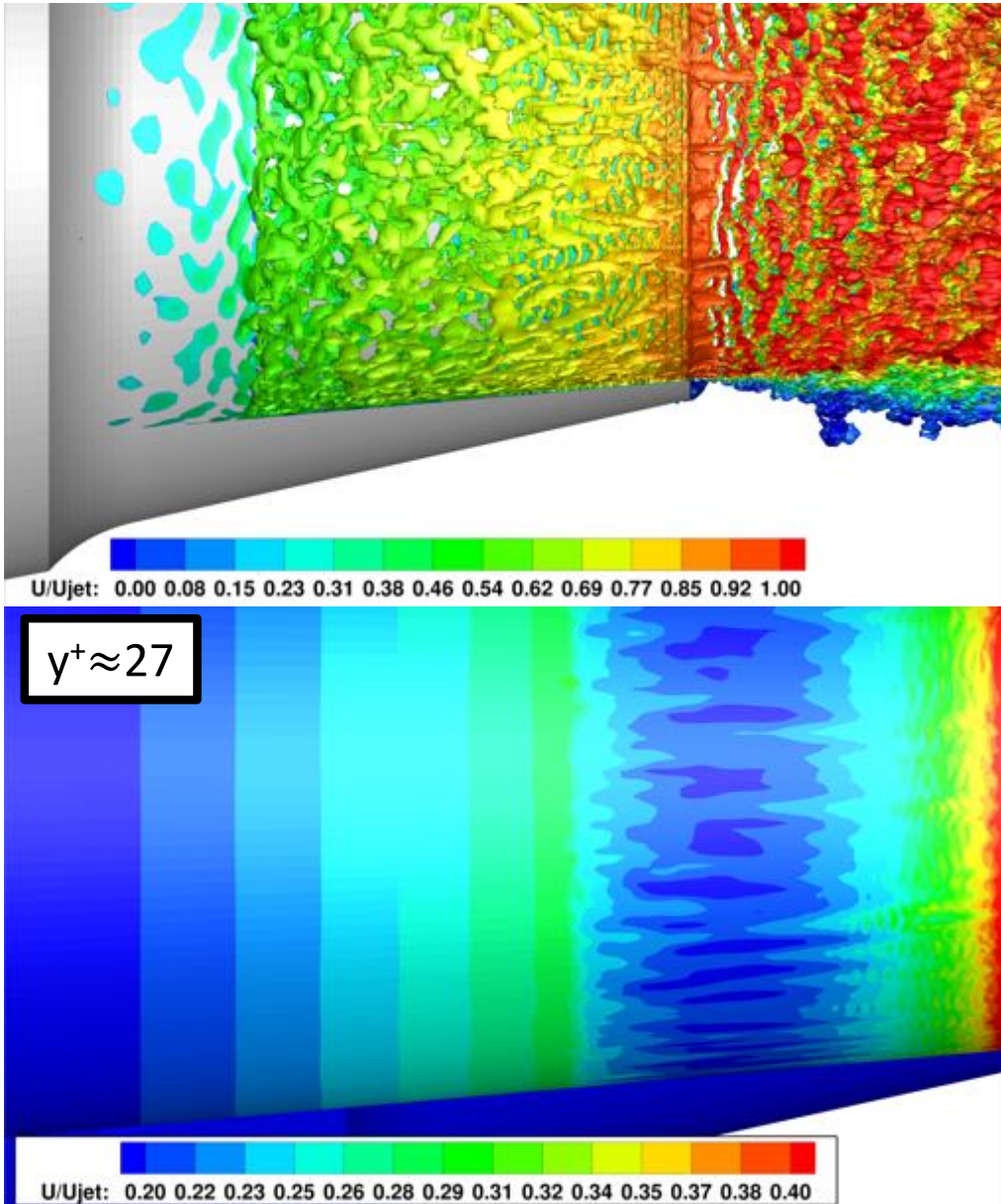RANS-NLES-SEM-28M

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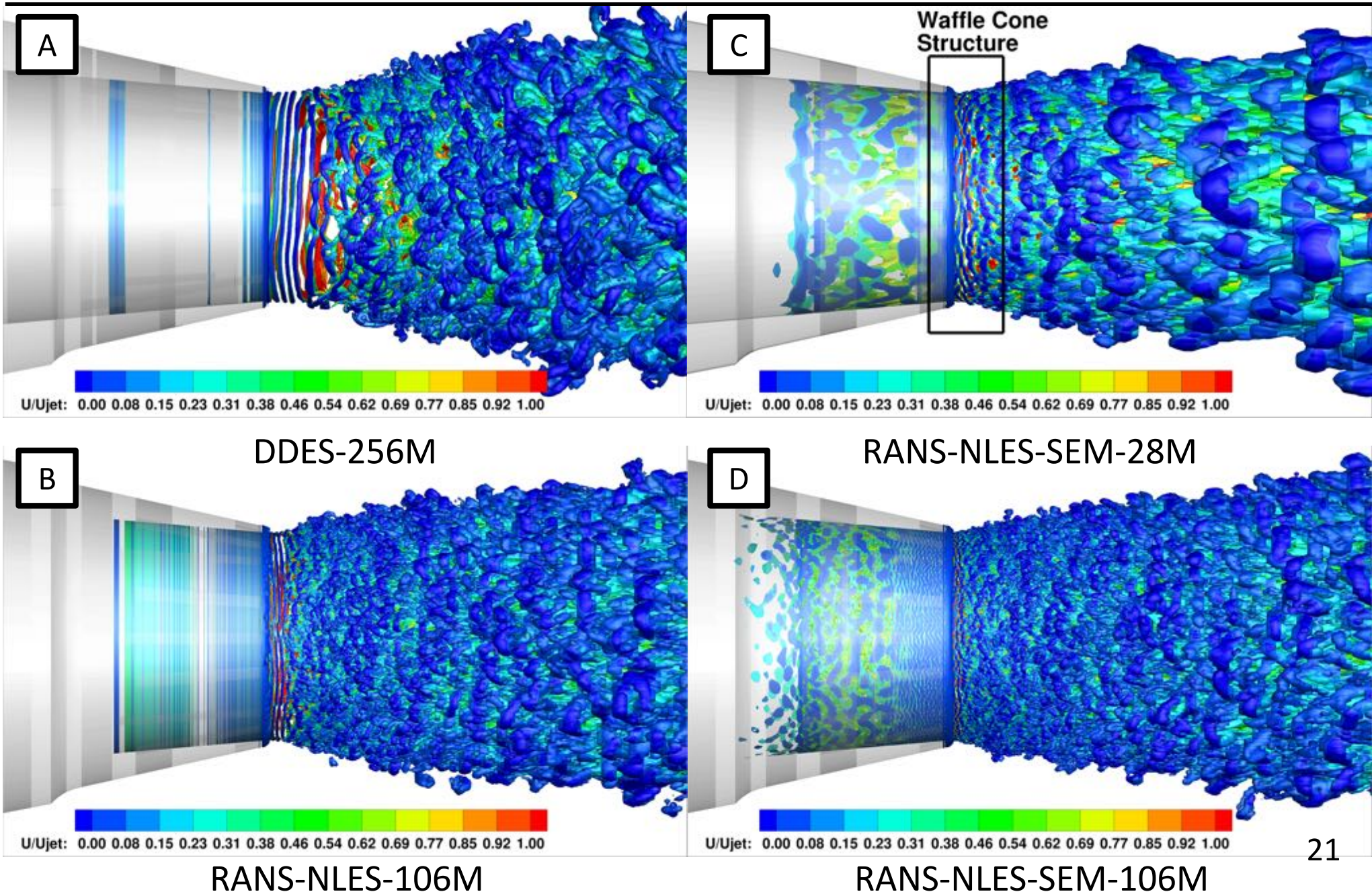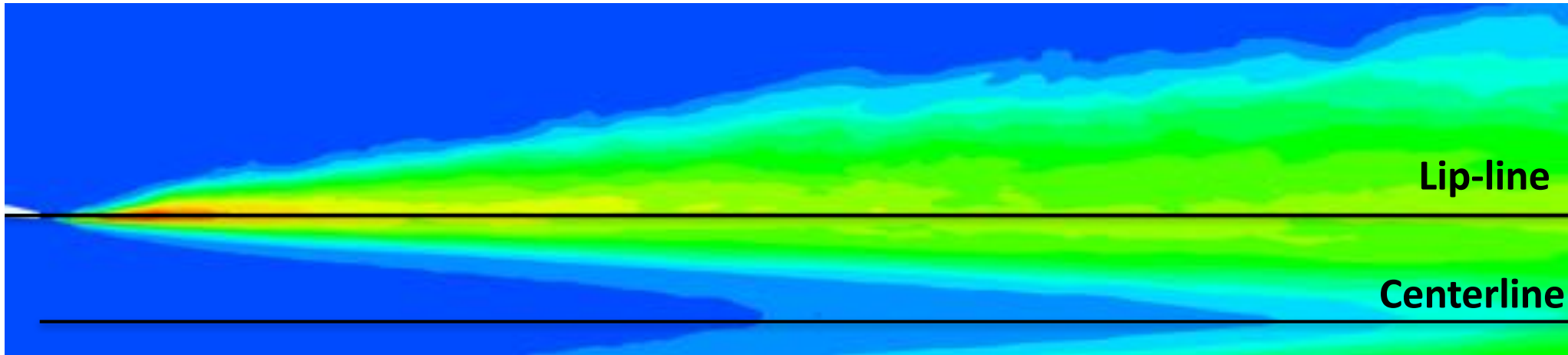
Computational Results

RANS-NLES-SEM Refined Mesh

$y^+ \approx 27$

- Quasi-2D waffle cone structures at nozzle exit
- Size of turbulent structures appears to be too large inside nozzle
- Structures deep in the boundary layer show very little azimuthal variation

- Features are elongated and too highly correlated in both the streamwise and azimuthal direction
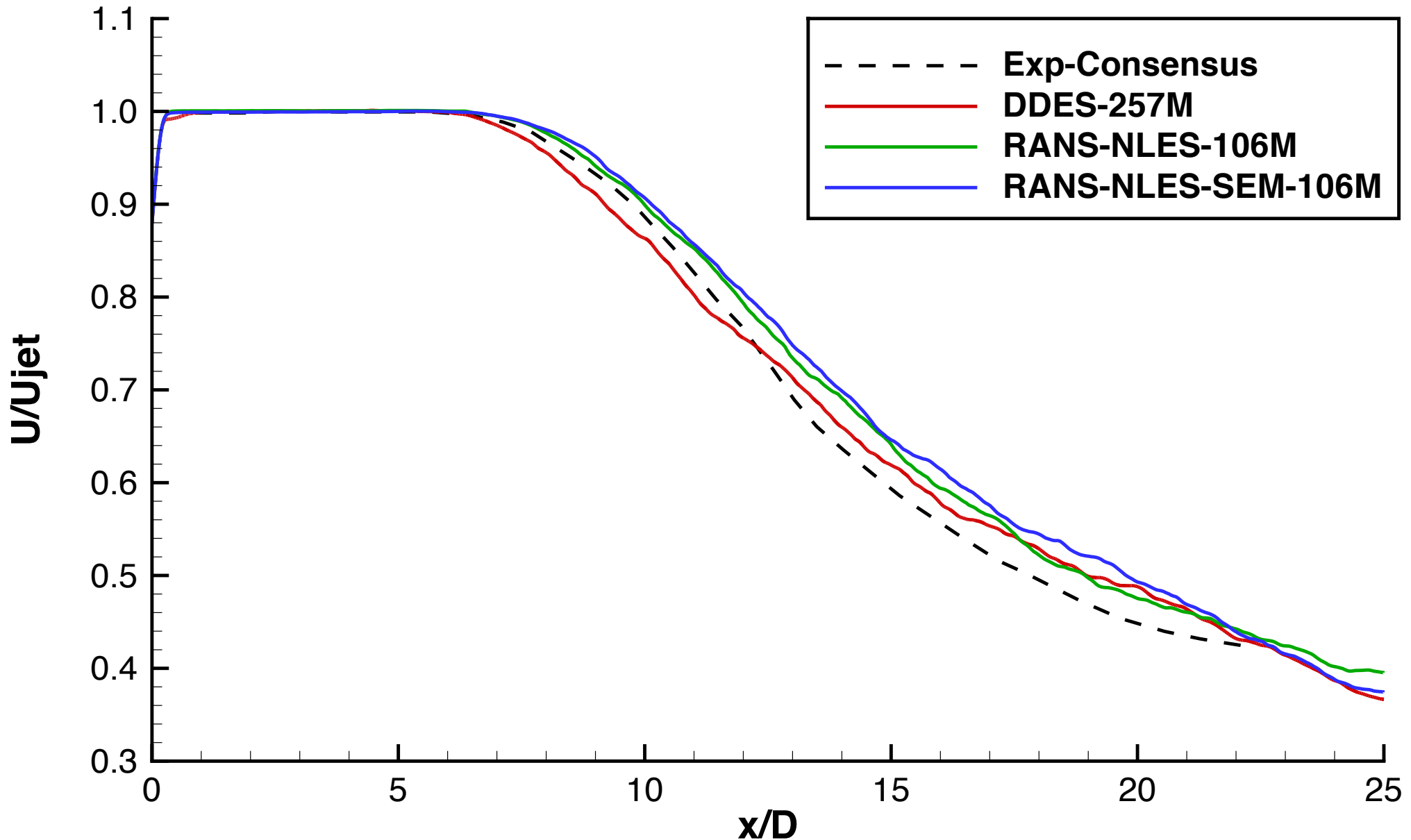- *Do we have realistic, fully developed BL turbulence at exit?*

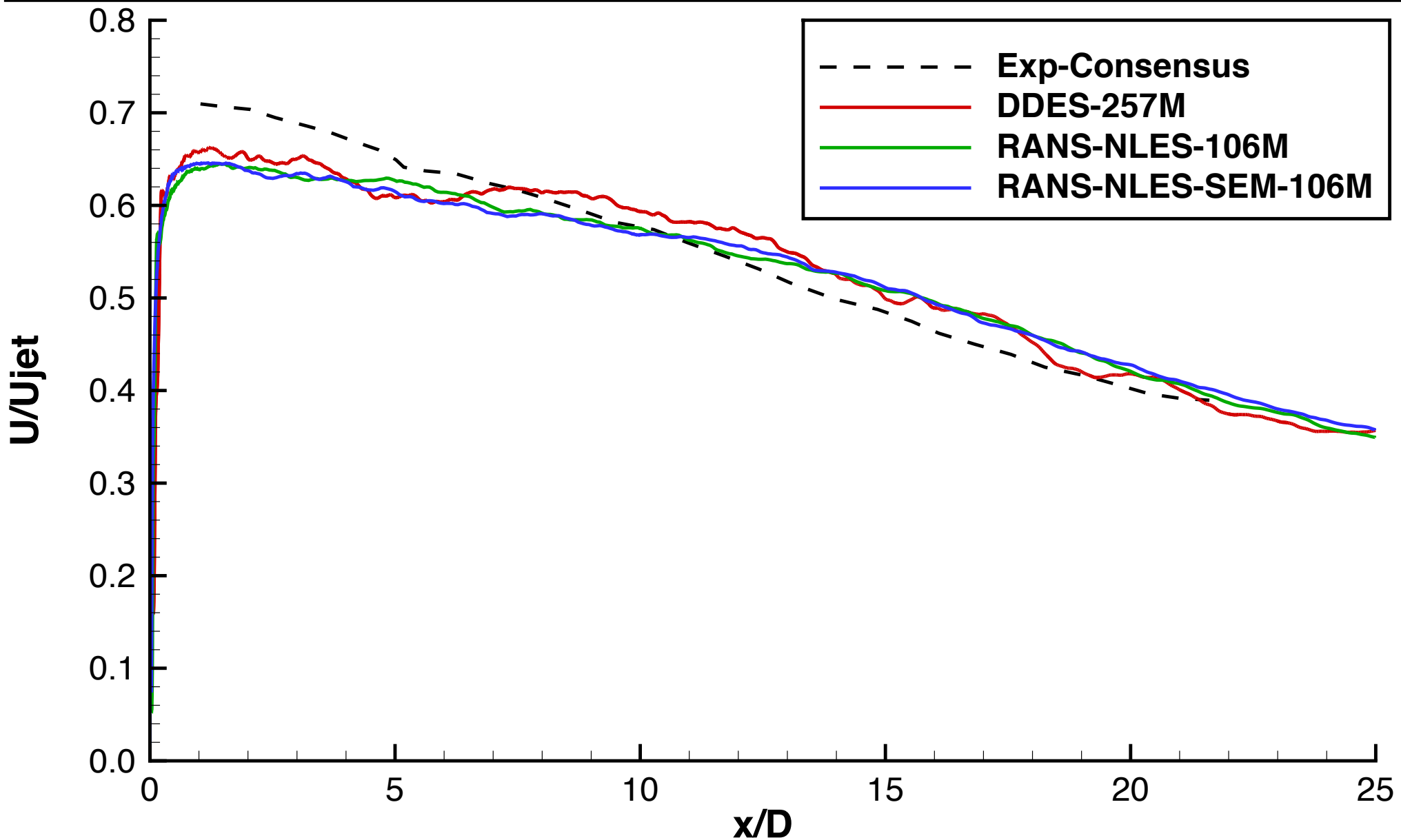# Computational Results – Near-Field

Near-Field Comparison

o Near field turbulent statistics computed from DDES, RANS-NLES and RANS-NLES-SEM models for comparison with PIV data from the SHJAR

o Comparison of measurements to data at lip-line (z/R=1) and Centerline (z/R=0)
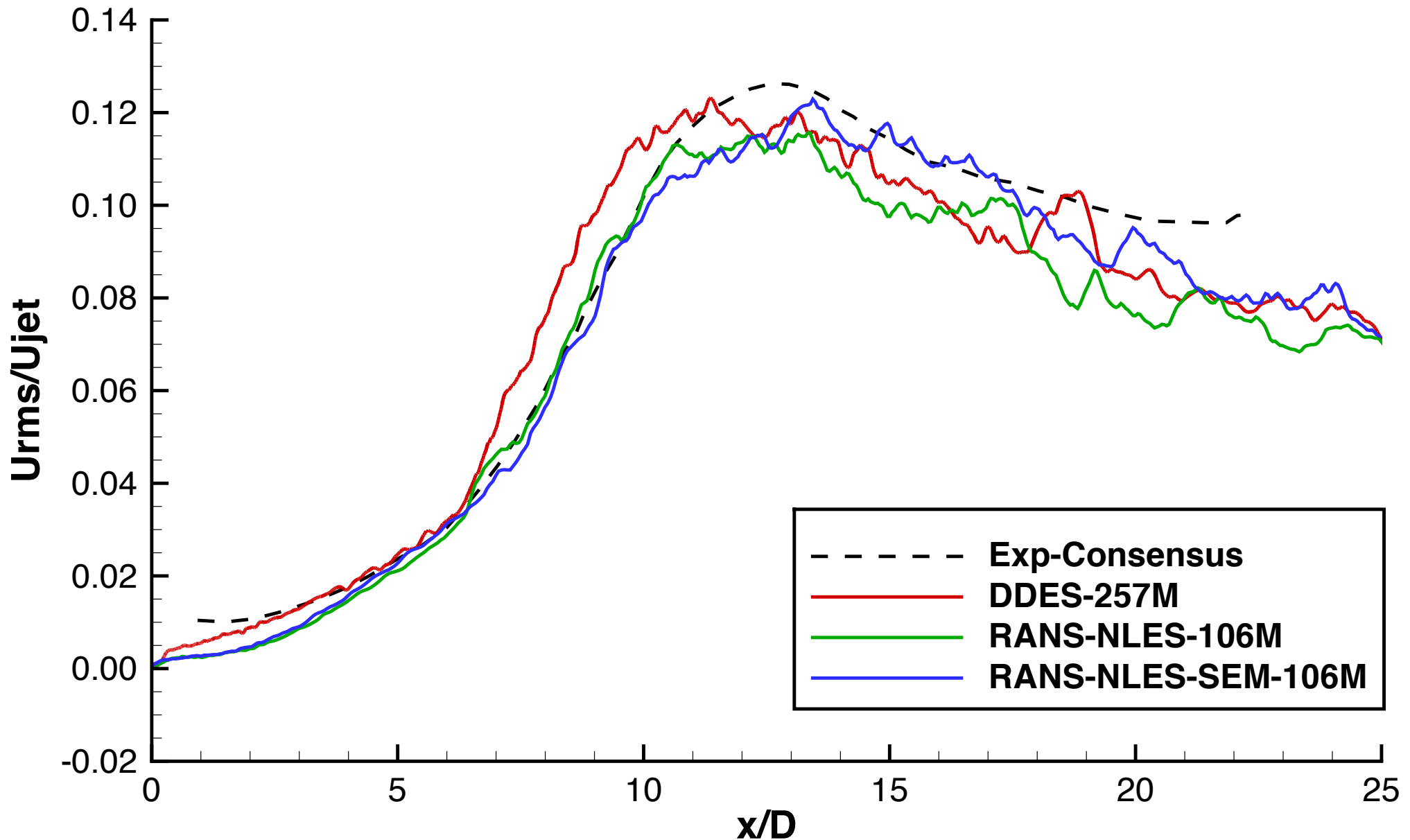
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Near-Field Comparison: Time-Averaged Centerline

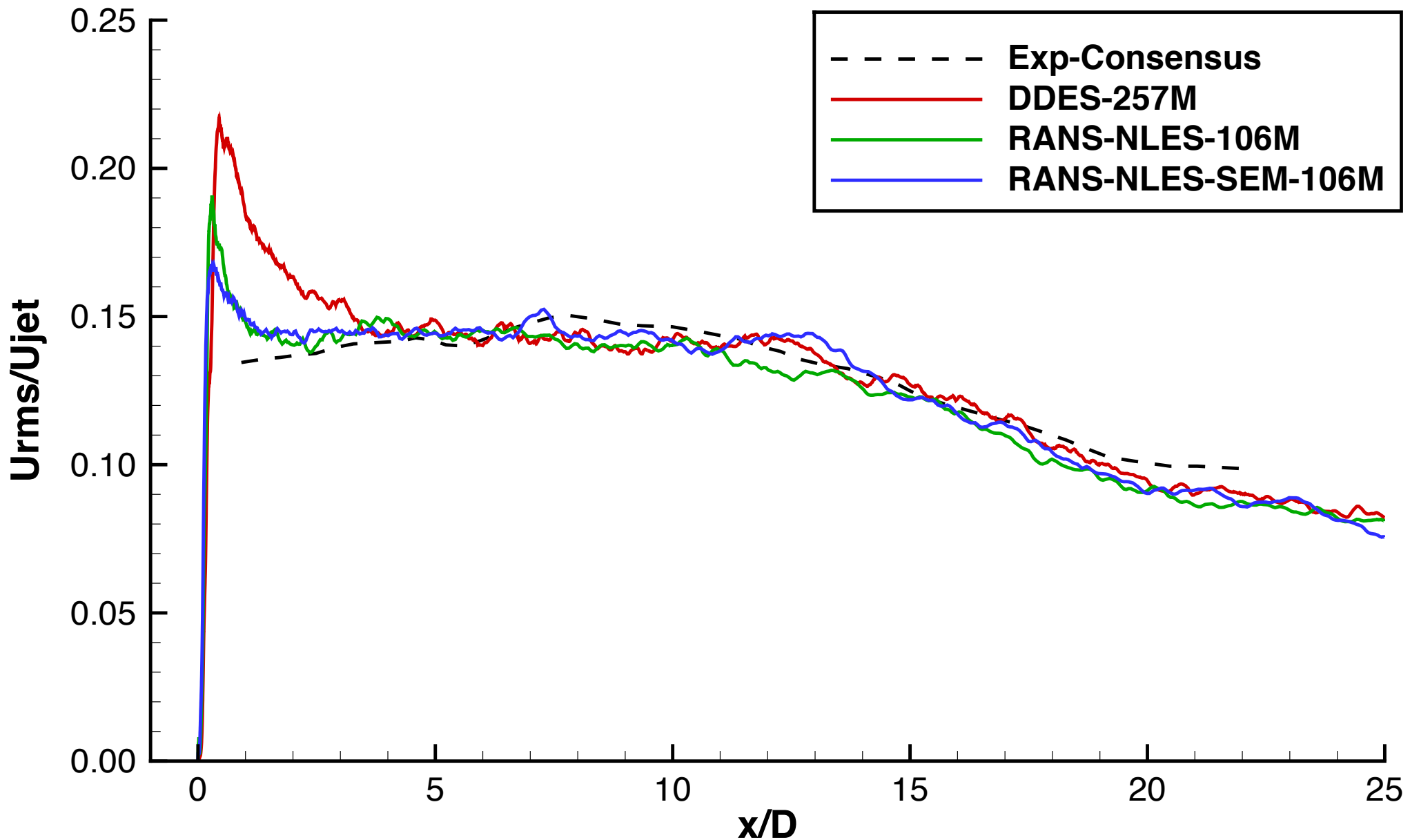# Computational Results – Near-Field

Near-Field Comparison: Time-Averaged Lip-line

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Near-Field Comparison: RMS Centerline

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Near-Field Comparison: RMS Lip-line

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o Generated surface triangulation imbedded within the overset grid

o FWH surface spans the entire axial domain of the computational grid

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Observers 100 D away

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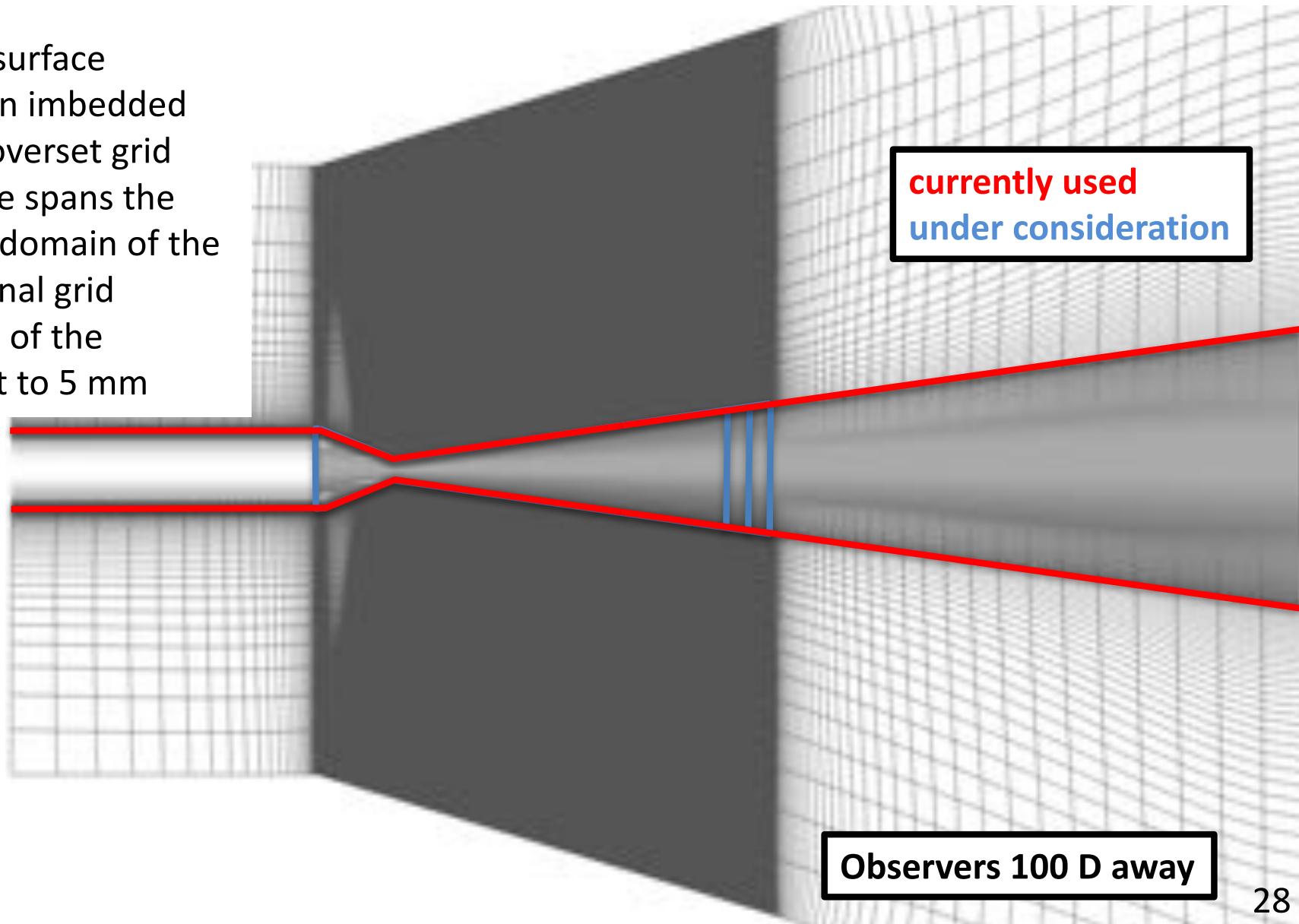o Edge length of the triangles set to 5 mm

currently used
under consideration

Observers 100 D away

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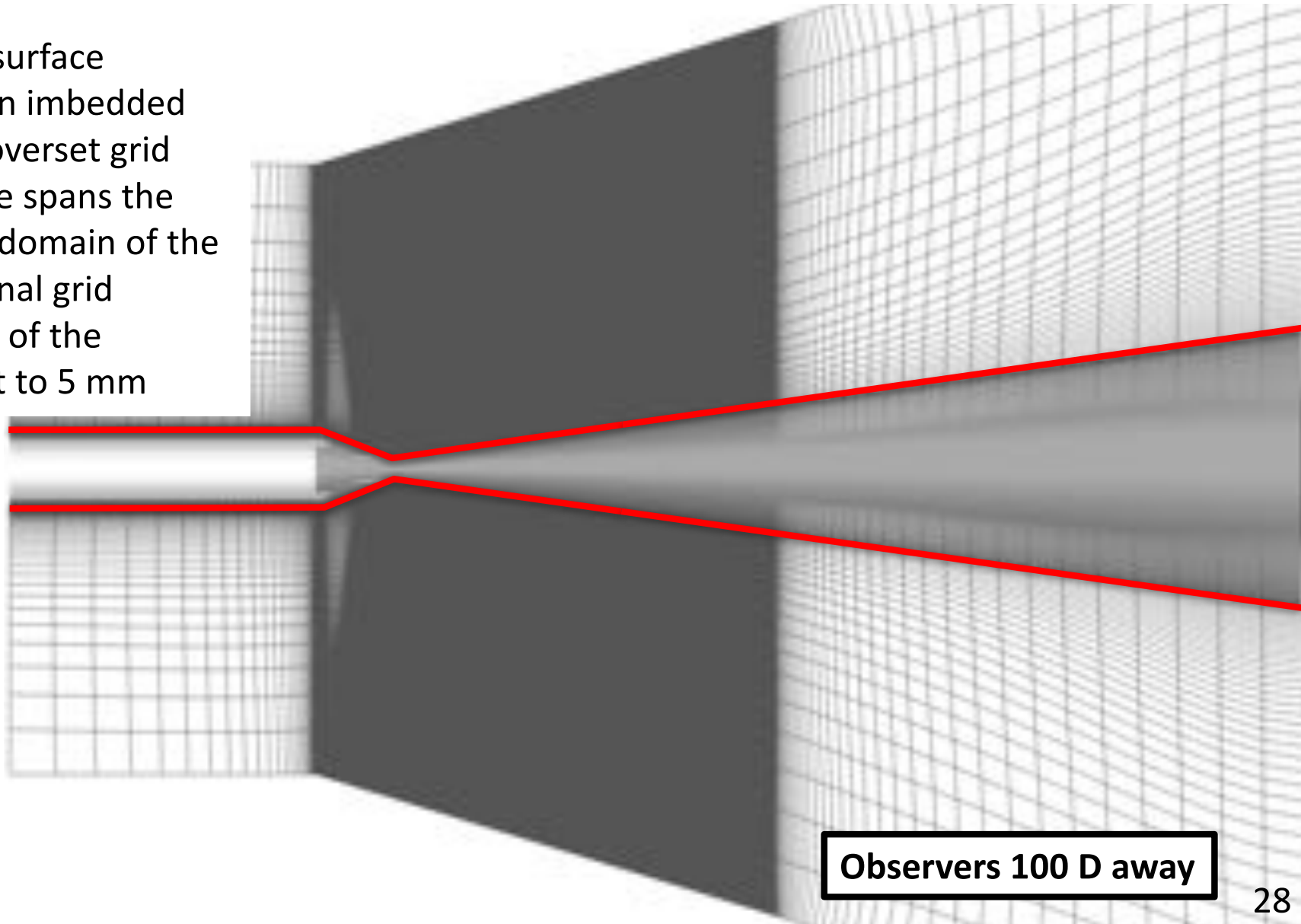
Computational Results – Far-Field

o Volume solution is interpolated to the FWH surface at a sampling rate of $\triangle t$ = 0.00001 s (100 kHz)

o Total time sample is split into 5 windows (or segments) with 50% overlap at an St_{bin} = 0.02

o Integrands of the FWH permeable surface formulation are computed over each window independently
  - Q_n, F_1, F_2, F_3
  - Hanning Window is applied in the time-domain
  - FFT is applied and stored for computing far-field observer noise levels

o FWH surface integrals are computed for each observer over each window independently
  - 360 observers, uniformly distributed along the azimuth, are generated for each jet axis angle ($60^o, 90^o, 120^o, 150^o$)
  - The PSD is ensemble averaged over the 360 observers and the PSD is multiplied by sqrt(8/3) to recover the RMS levels lost from Hanning Window

o Finally, the PSD spectrum is averaged over the 5 windows for the final comparison to the experimental consensus.
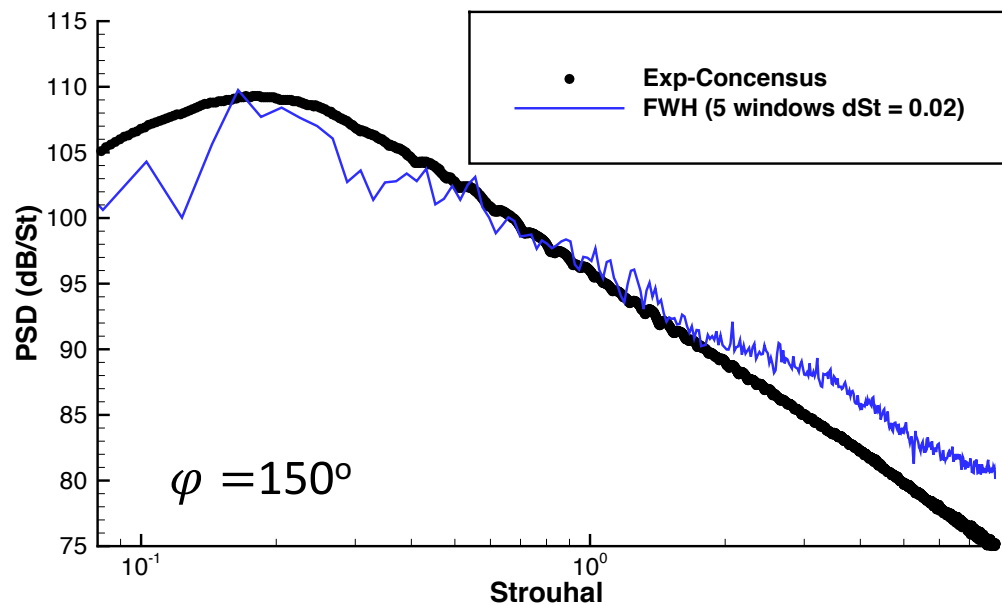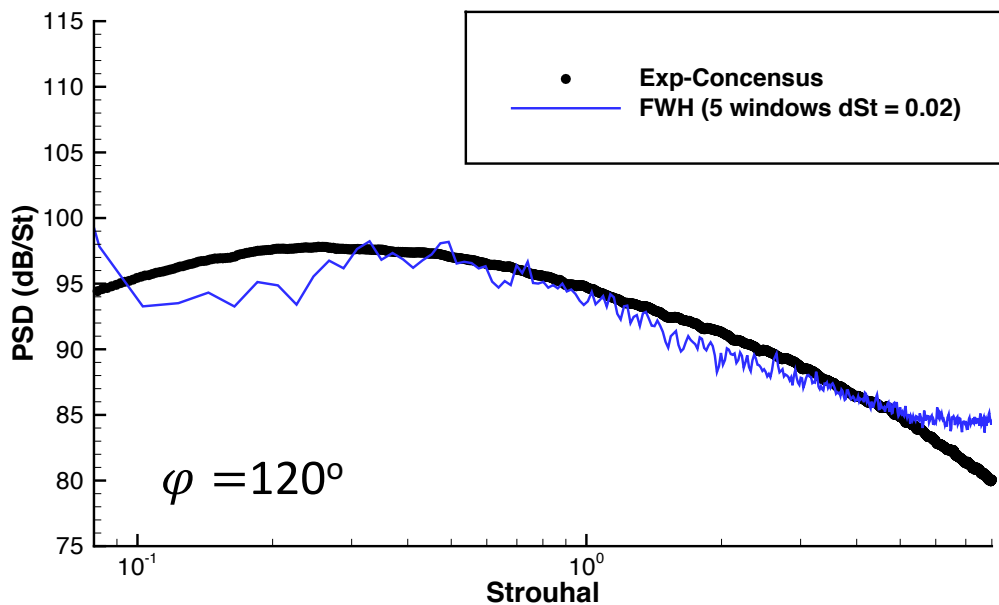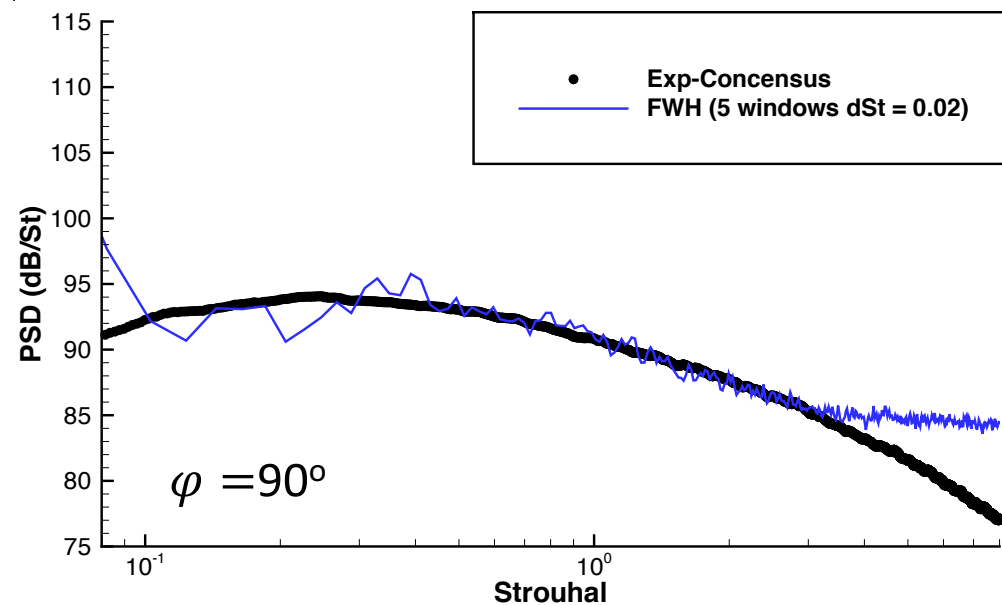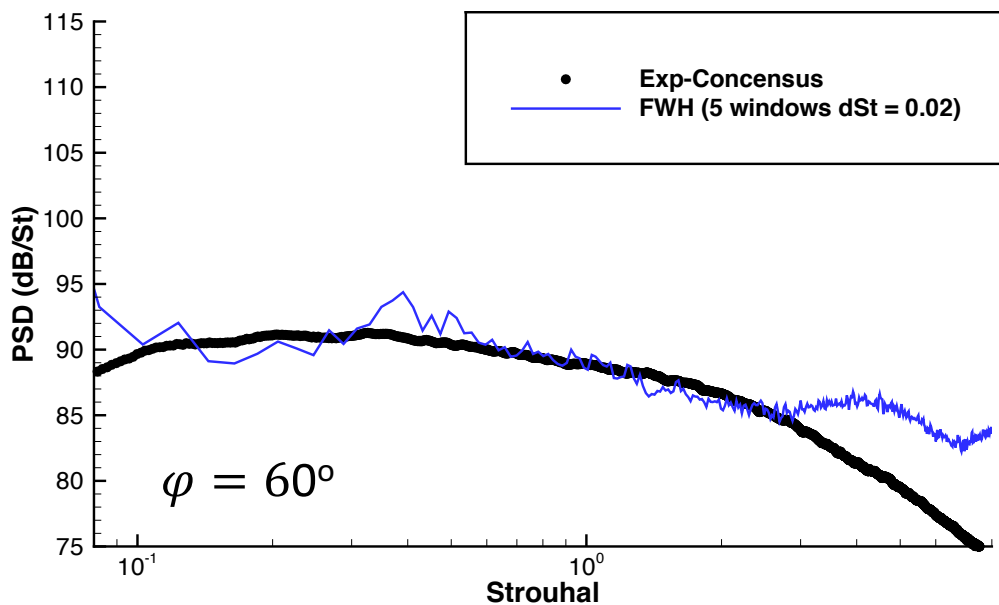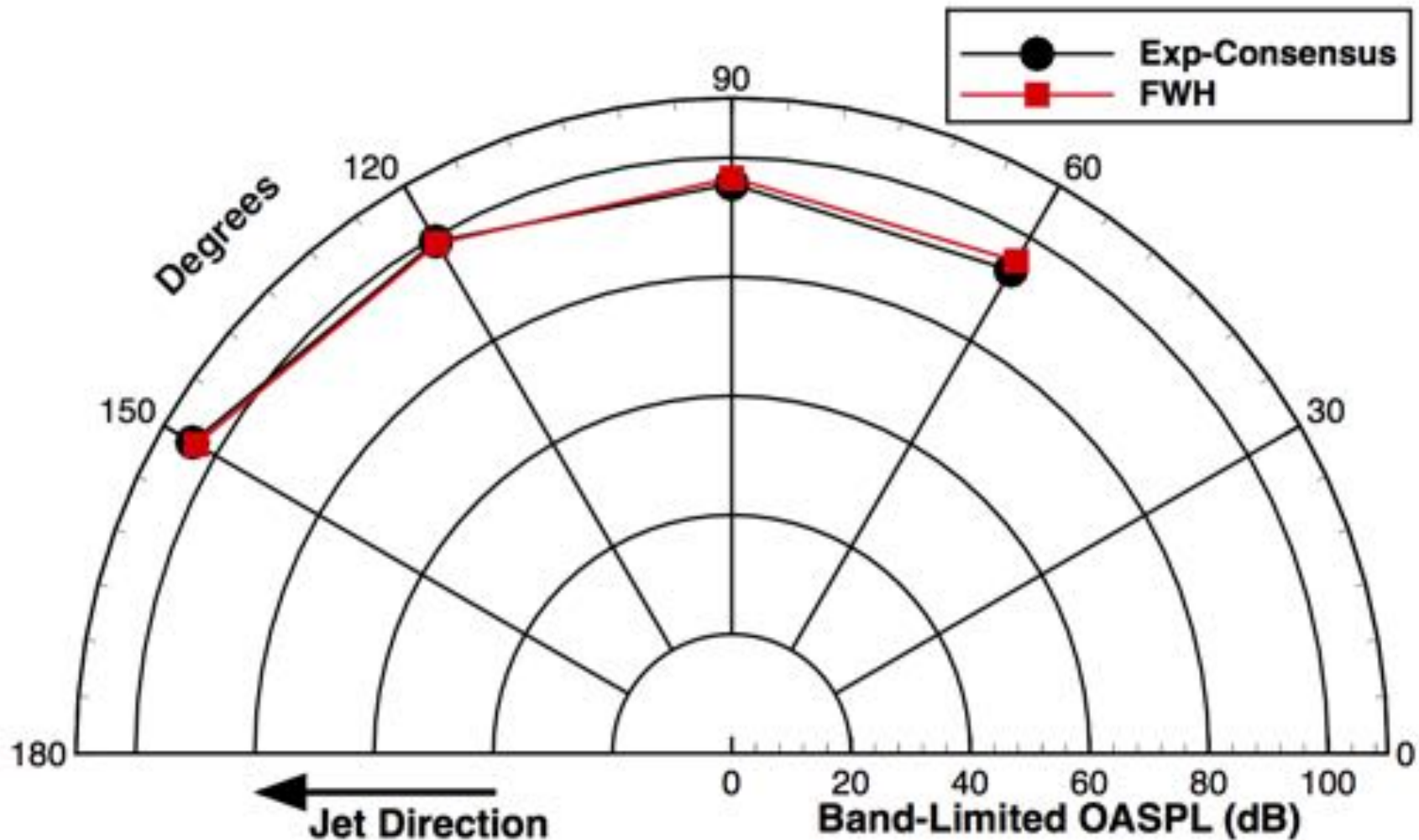
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Computational Results – Far-Field

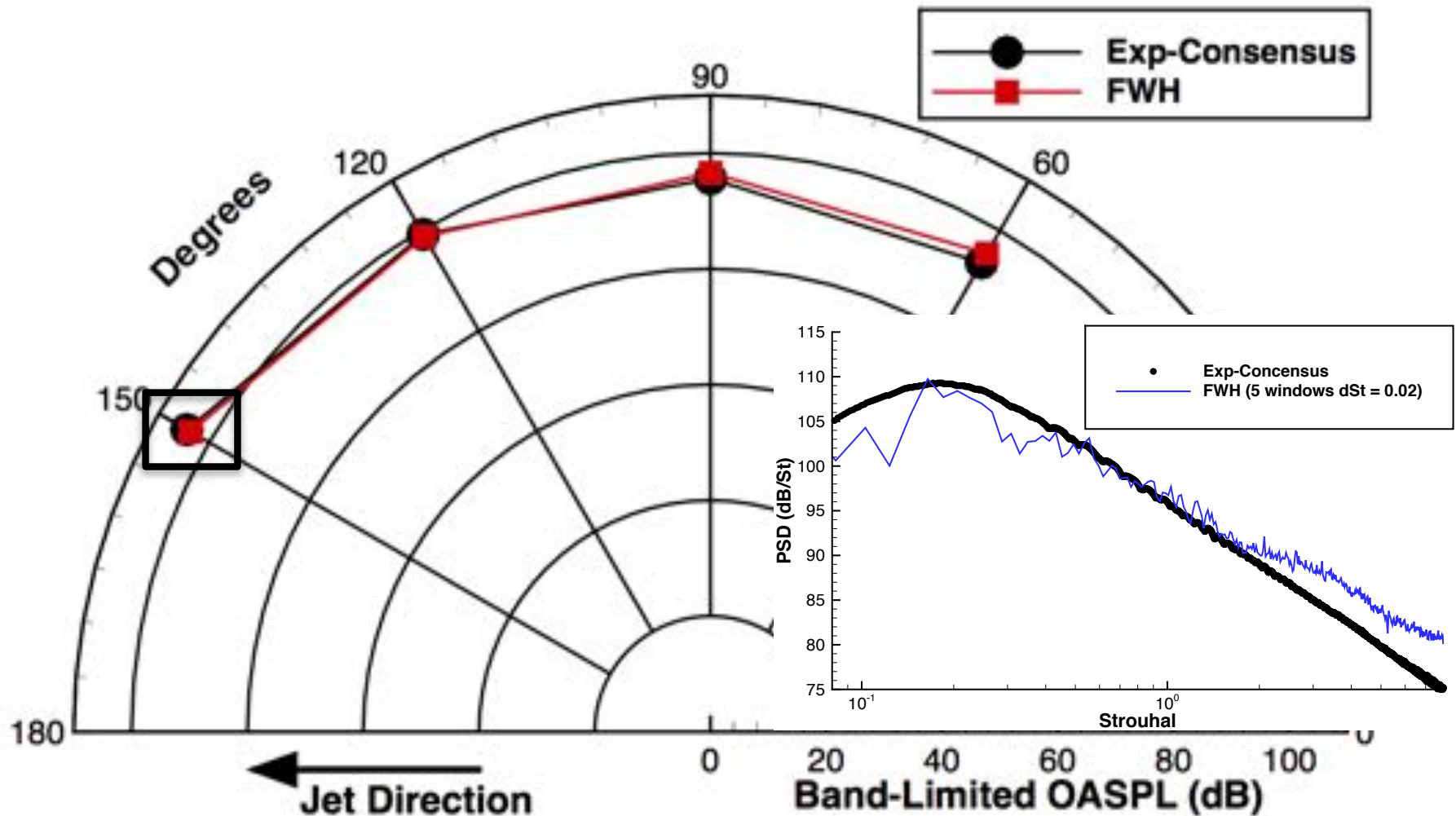Far-Field Comparison: Band-Limited OASPL $(0.08 \leq St \leq 8.0)$
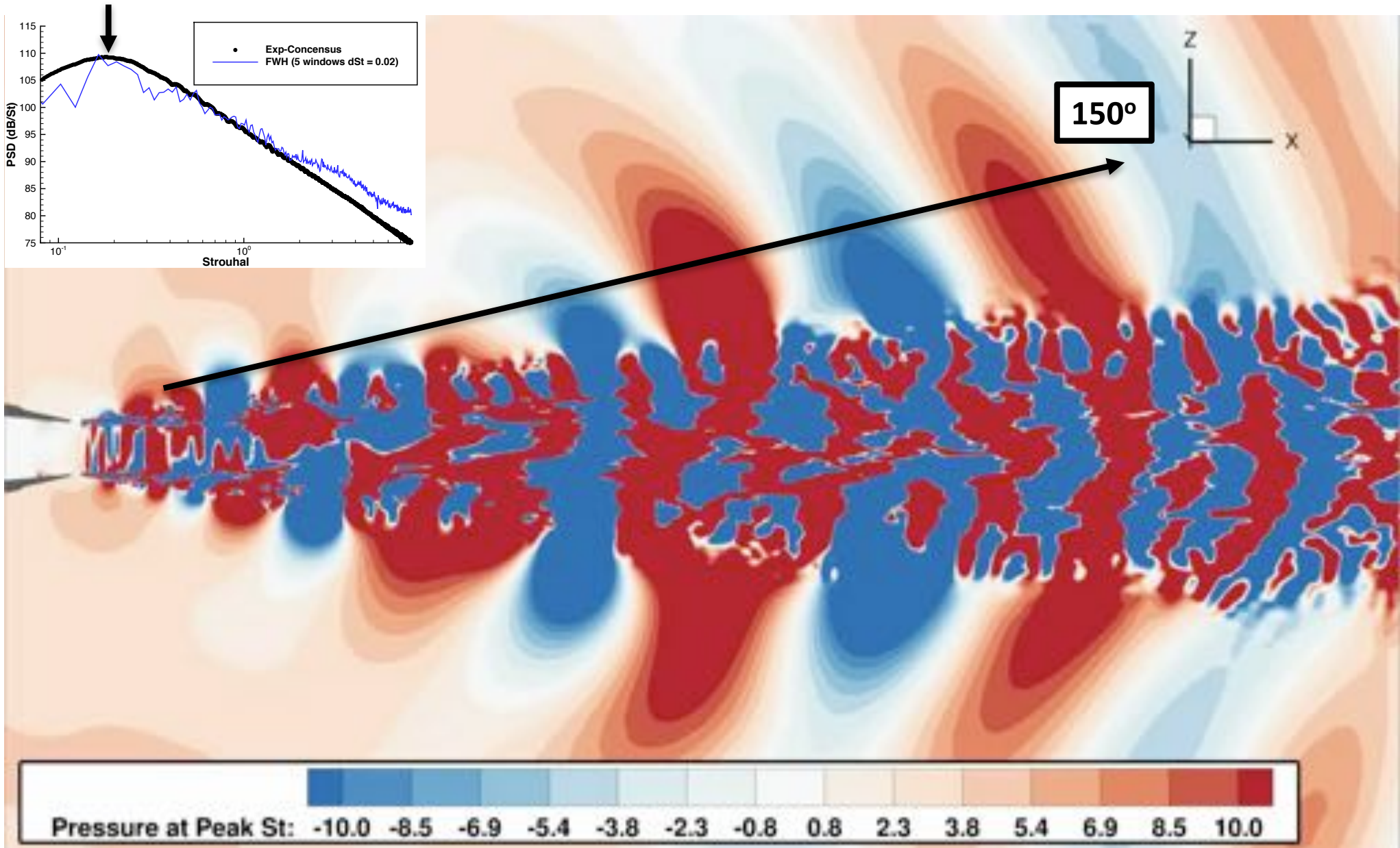
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Computational Results – Far-Field

Time-Domain Pressure Associated with Peak Frequency (1100Hz) in 150°

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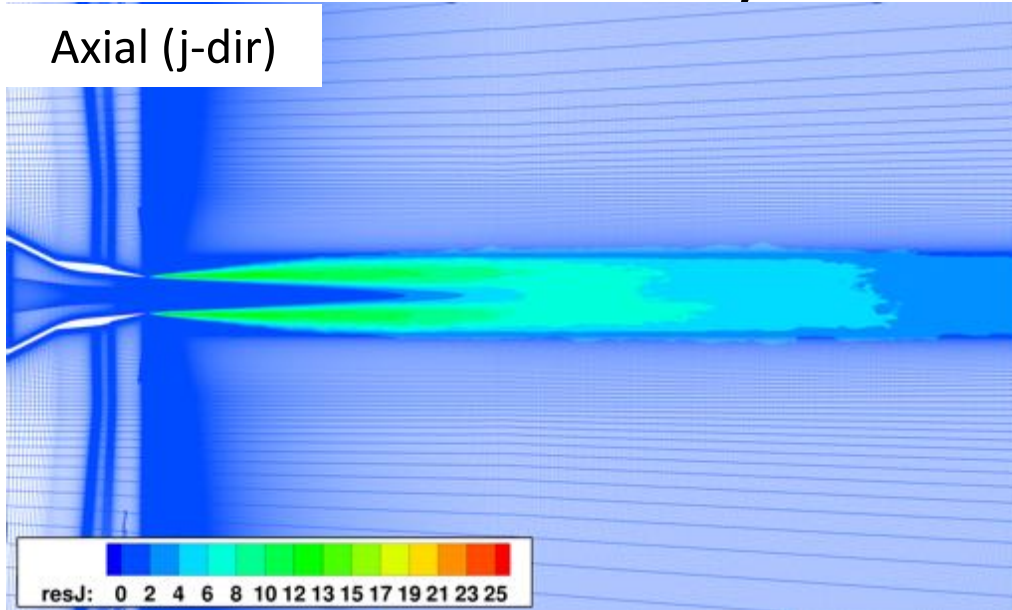 • Far-Field Comparison
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Summary

o The hybrid RANS/LES approach, within the LAVA framework, using structured curvilinear overlapping grids has been applied to the prediction of jet noise and compared to existing near-field PIV and far-field microphone data.

o Demonstrated improvements:

- Hybrid RANS-NLES reduces the delay in transition to 3D turbulent structures and improved lip-line RMS prediction

- SEM eliminates delay even further

o Completed far-field acoustic propagation

- Mach wave radiation noise in the jet direction is well-captured

- Sideline noise caused by turbulent fluctuations is over-predicted, likely do to elevated lip-line RMS at nozzle exit

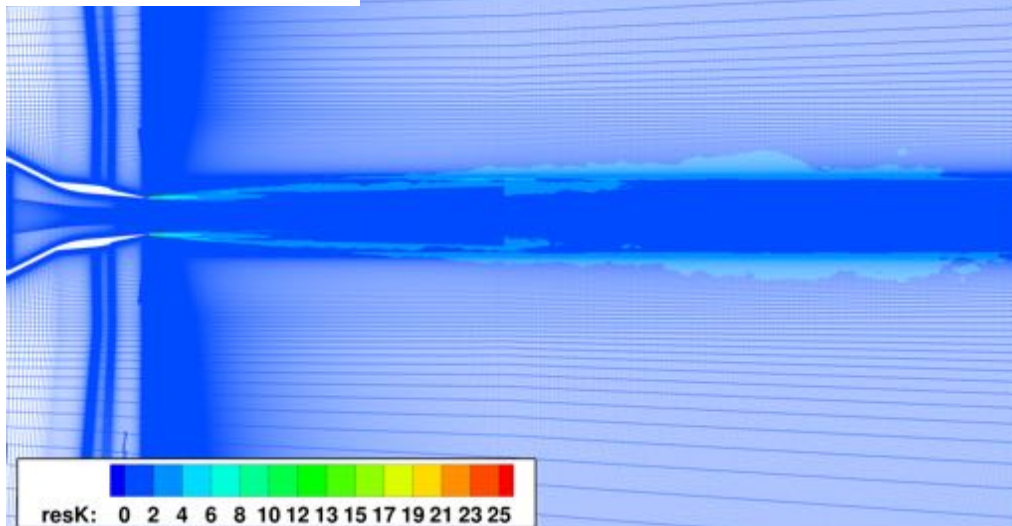o BL needs to be resolved better inside of nozzle for further improvements

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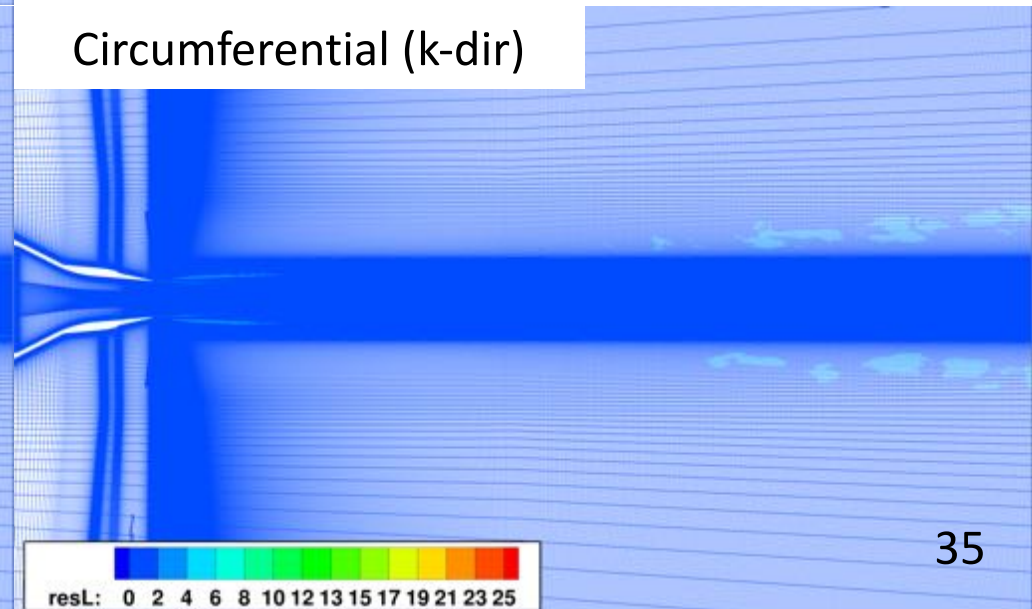## *a Posteriori* Error Analysis

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Radial (l-dir)

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- o Analyze the difference in turbulent kinetic energy using the resolved velocity field with filtered version of resolved velocity field.
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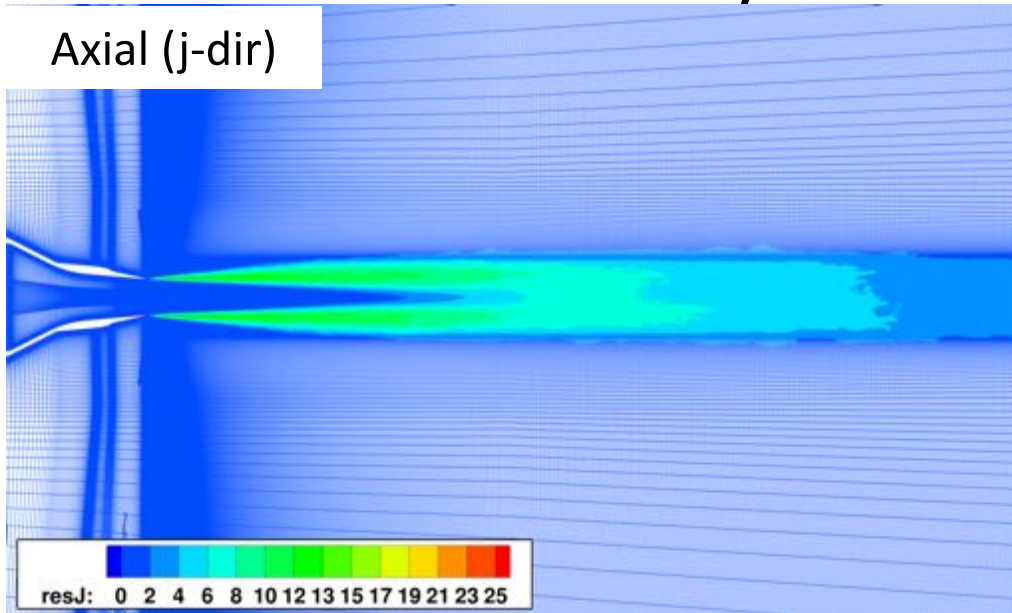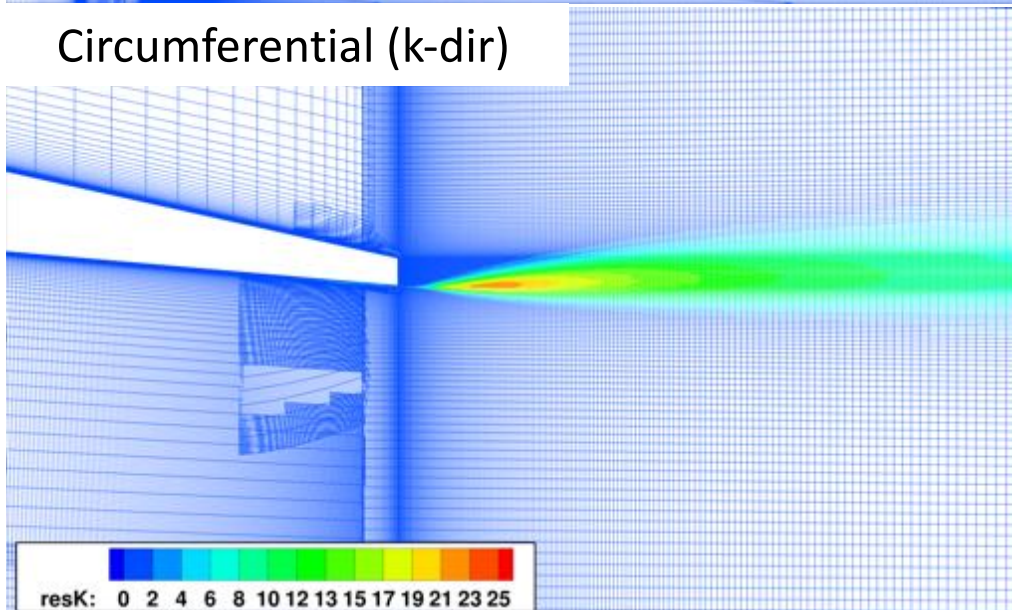
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Future Work

a Posteriori Error Analysis

Axial (j-dir)

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o Resolution in streamwise direction is lacking the most.
o The error estimate has largest magnitude in circumferential direction.
o Radial direction pretty good.
o Improved mesh (191 M) for further investigation of SP7 and all SP3 runs

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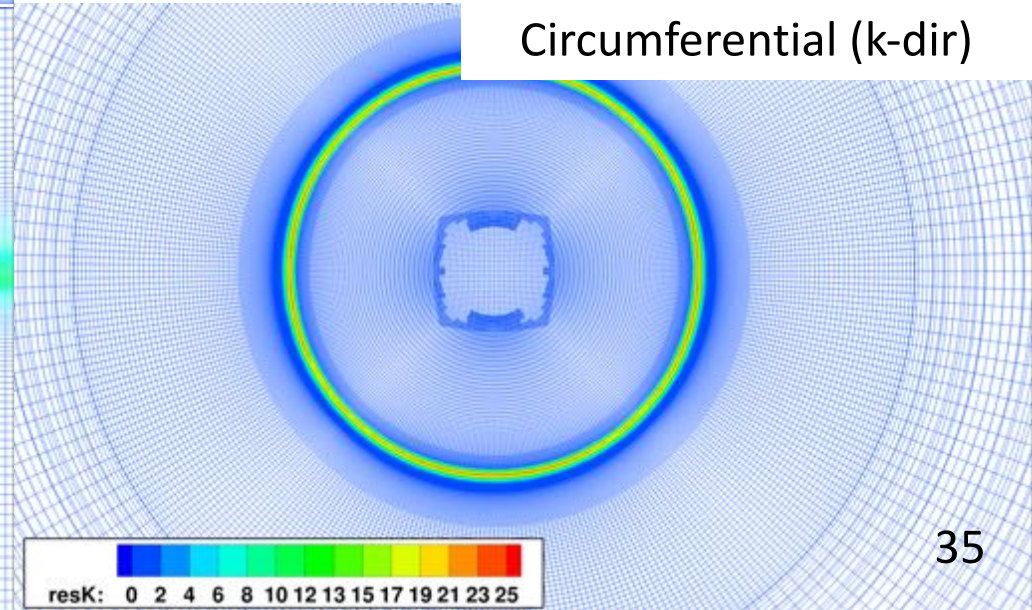
Future Work

LES with explicit subgrid-scale (SGS) model and SEM

We need wall-modeled LES in order to resolve the boundary layer inside the nozzle!

o No RANS downstream of SEM location

o Waffle cone structures inside nozzle reduced

o Artificial turbulence from SEM decays towards nozzle exit due to lack of resolution

o Recommended resolution:
wall-resolved Δs_{circ}^{+} = 20 (12.5k points)
wall-modeled $\Delta s_{circ} = 0.1\delta$ (2450 points)

QUESTION:

"How will SGS model affect our lipline RMS and farfield solutions"

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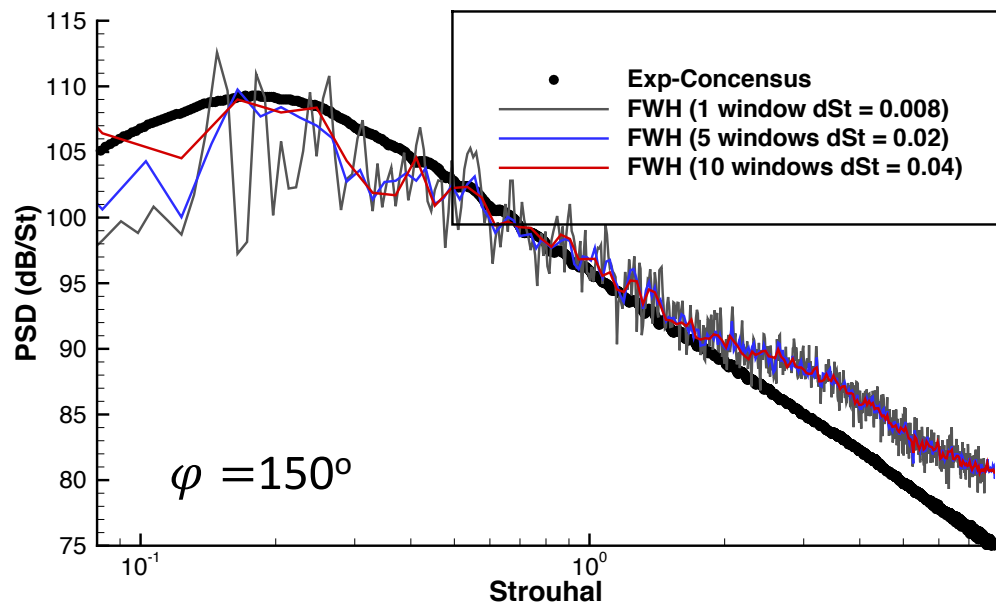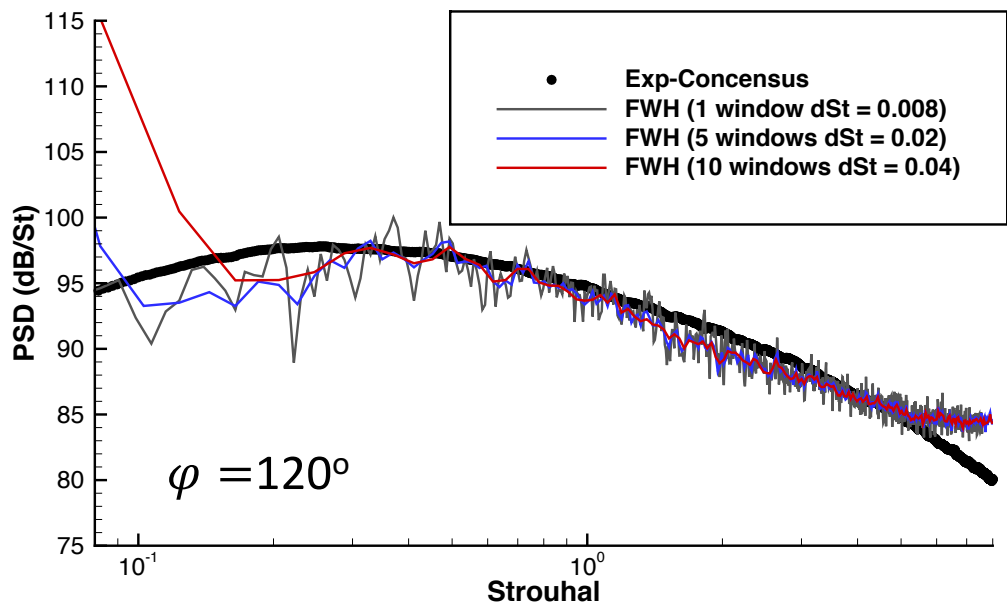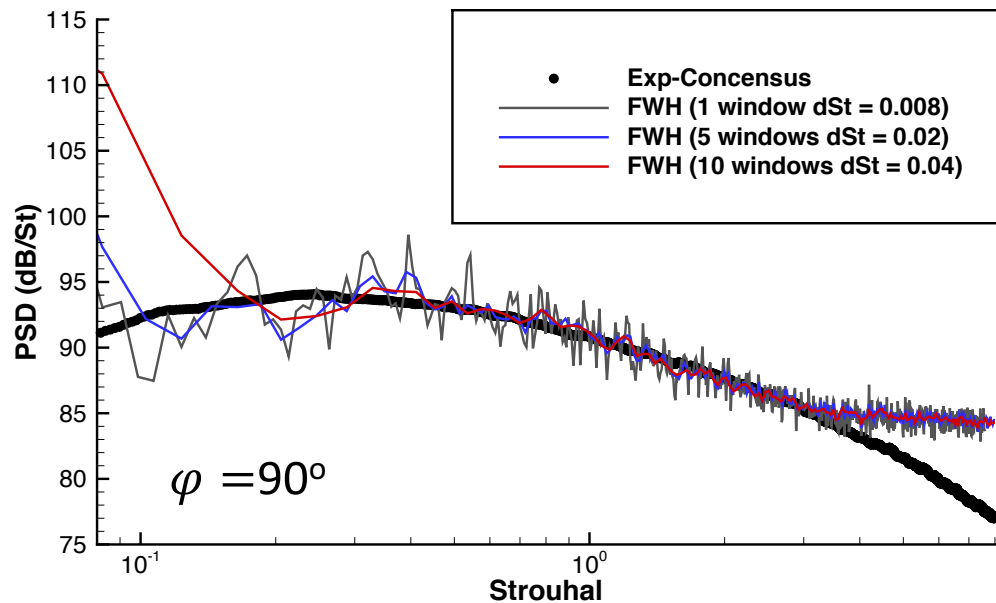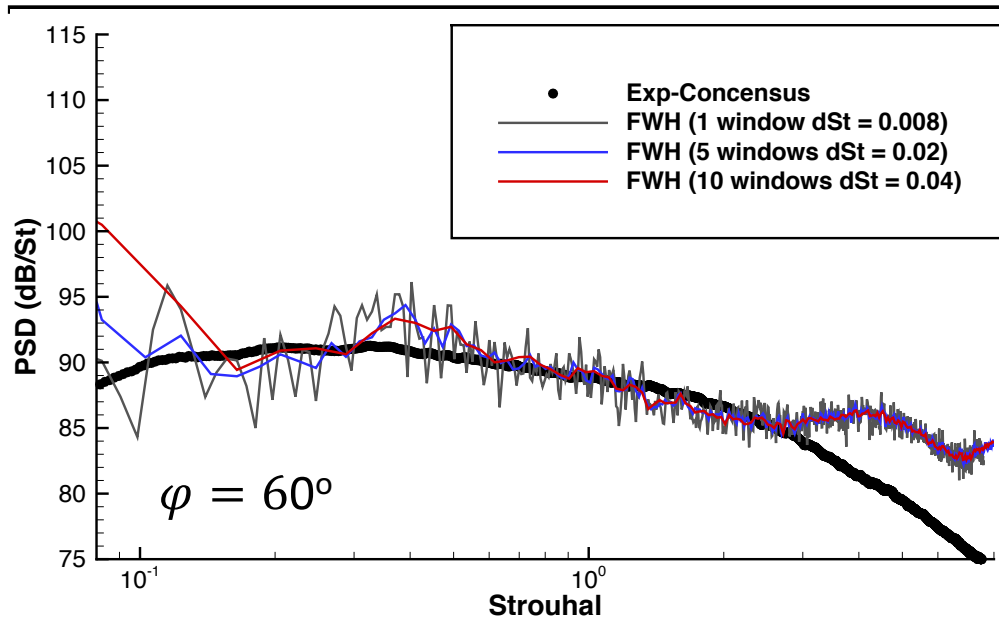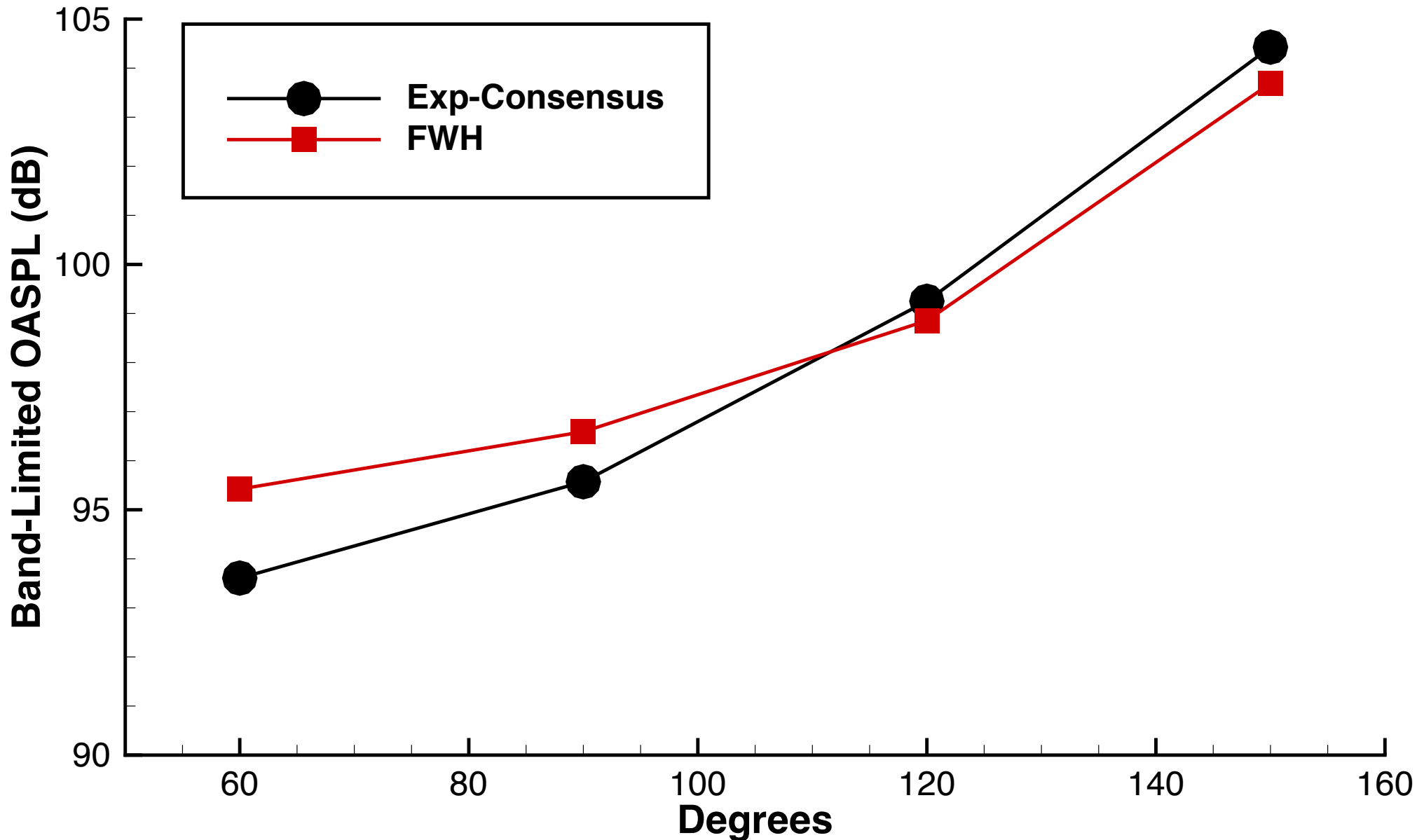
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SEM backup slide. See former presentation from last year when I added the SEM routines

Add slide for different turbulent inflow methods. Comparison name of Spalarts SGT .... Maybe friction velocity plot.

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EXACT LOCATION OF MICROPHONE POSITIONS

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End cap averaging for FWH surface. Add more info in correspondence with Joseph.