



High Lift Prediction Workshop 4 Fixed RANS Structured Overset Mesh Summary

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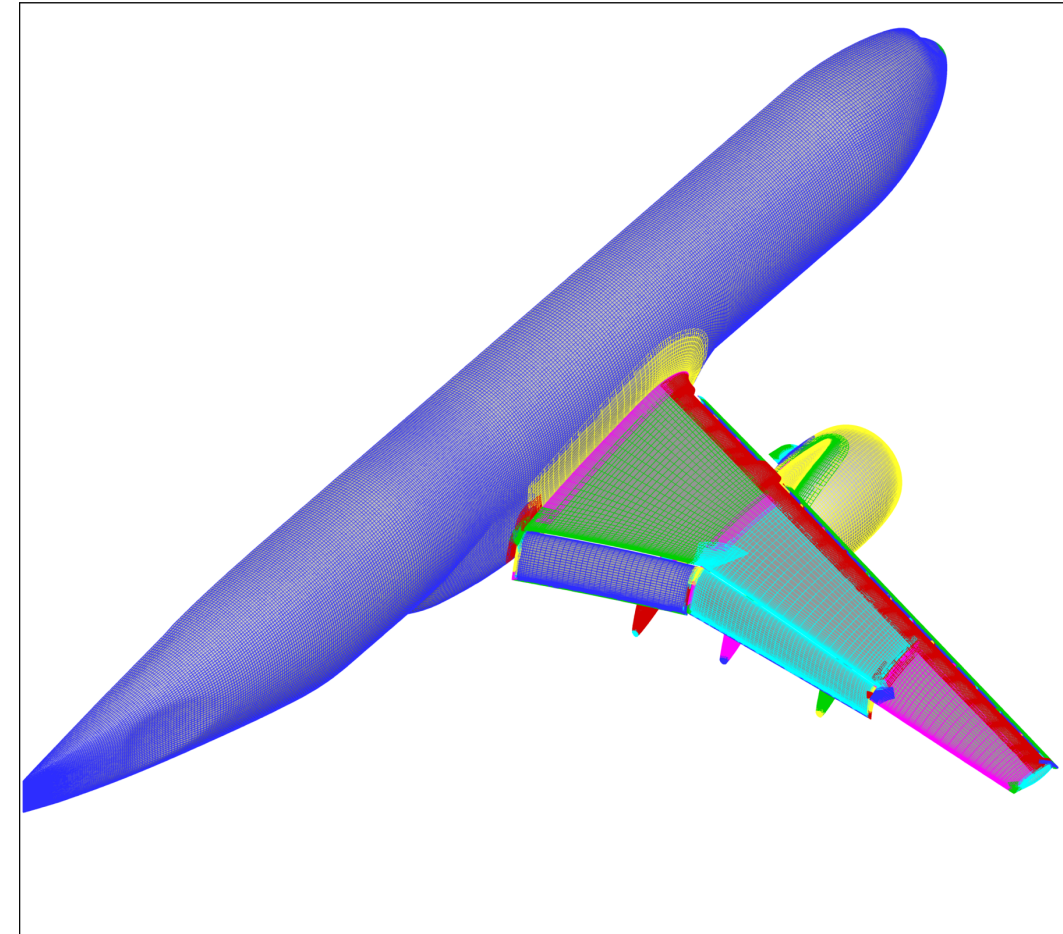
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Mesh Refinement Study Efforts



- Structured overset grid levels A-D generated by the Launch Ascent and Vehicle Aerodynamics (LAVA) team for the HLPW4 CRM geometry
- HLPW4 CRM full-scale geometry steady RANS simulations completed using LAVA Curvilinear to test meshes (Condition (Case 1a): $M_\infty = 0.2$, $Re_c = 5.49 \text{ M}$, $\alpha = 7.01^\circ$, $T_{ref} = 289.4 \text{ K}$, Nominal flaps (40°/37°))
- Numerical scheme and turbulence model used to run test simulations
 - 3rd order convective flux discretization (modified Roe scheme) with Koren limiter
 - Spalart Allmaras (SA-RC-QCR2000)



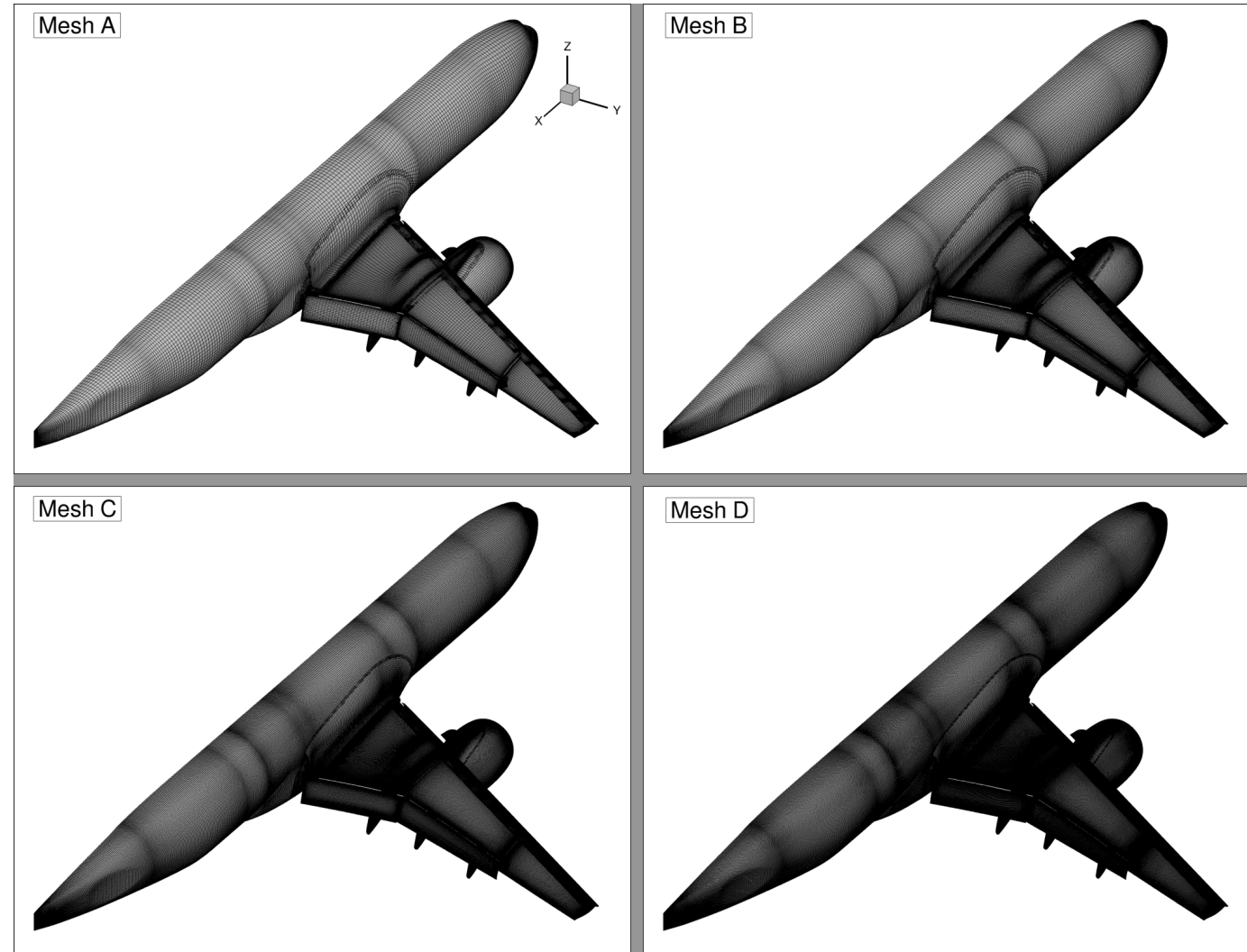
Structured Overset Mesh Overview



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- Surface meshes shown with blanking on right

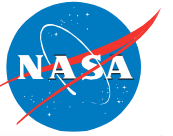
Grid metrics and statistics

Metric	Mesh A	Mesh B	Mesh C	Mesh D
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Total Nodes	35.25 M	112.60 M	388.21 M	953.07 M
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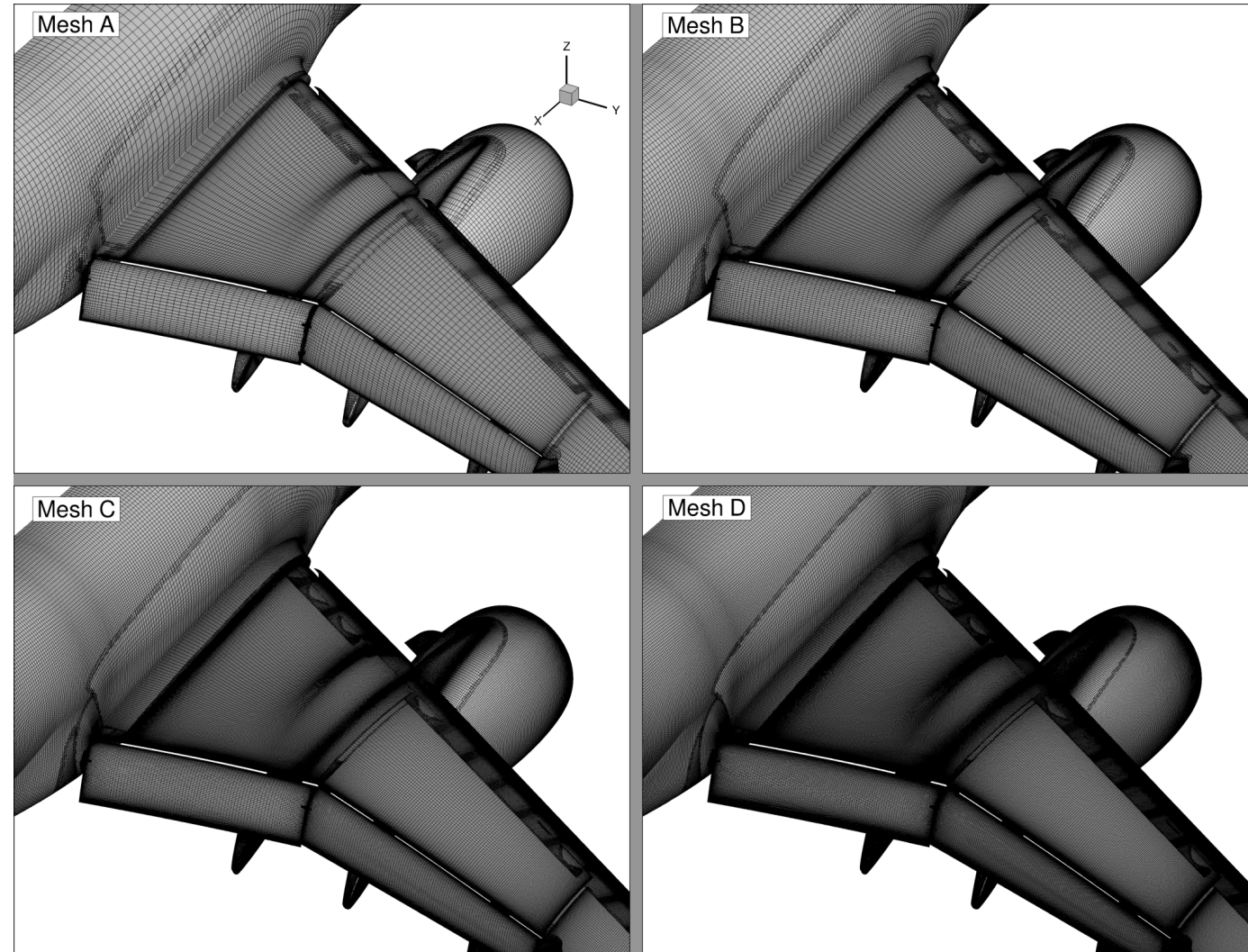
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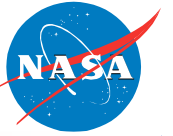
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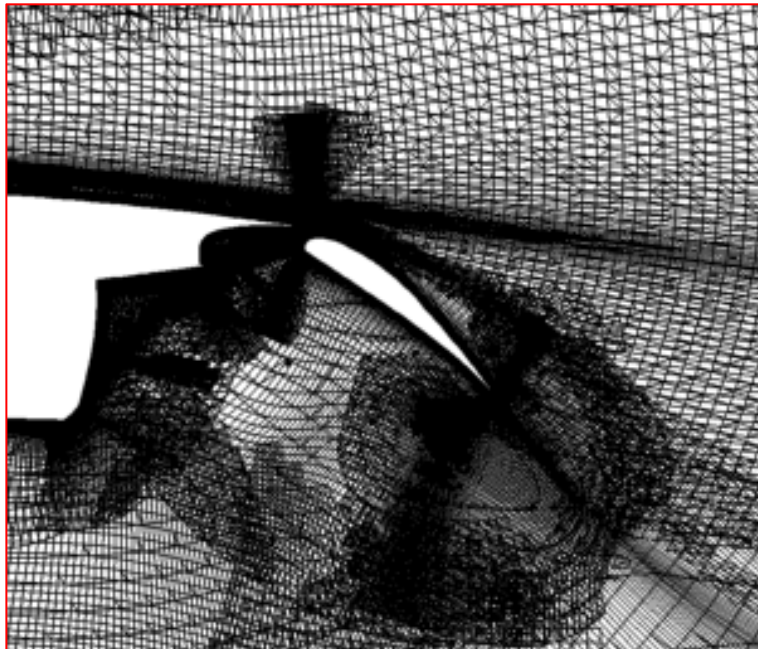
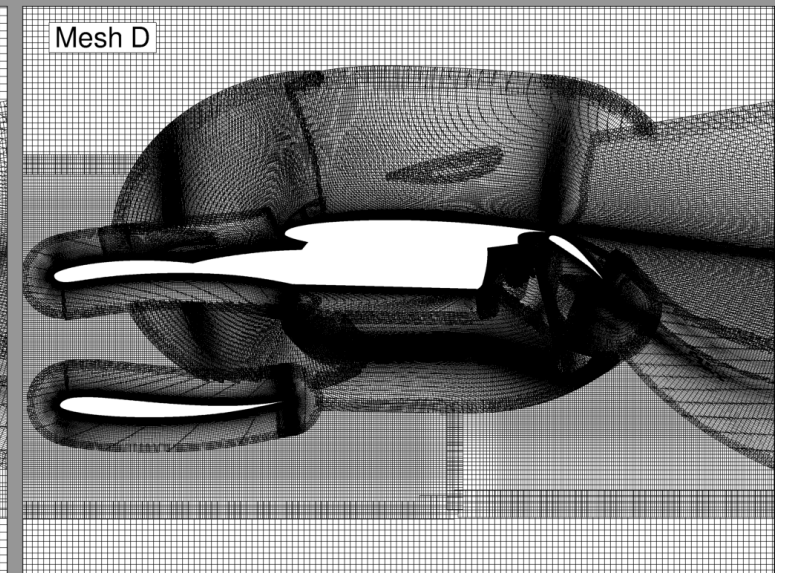
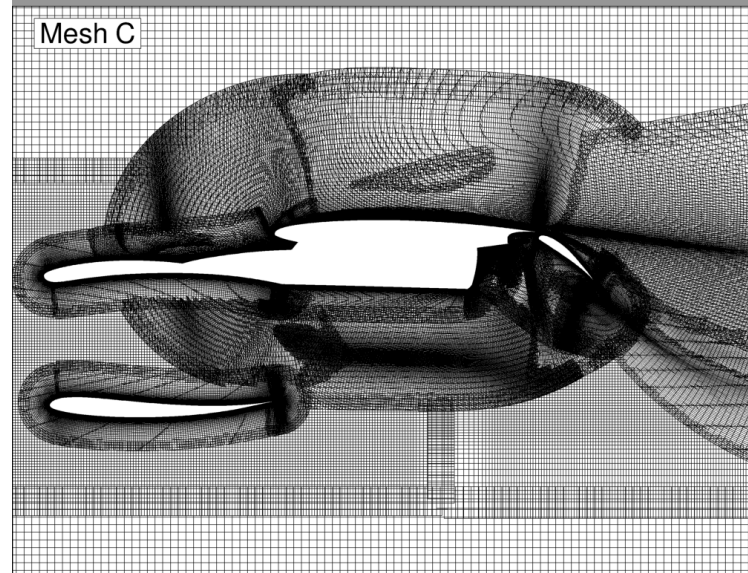
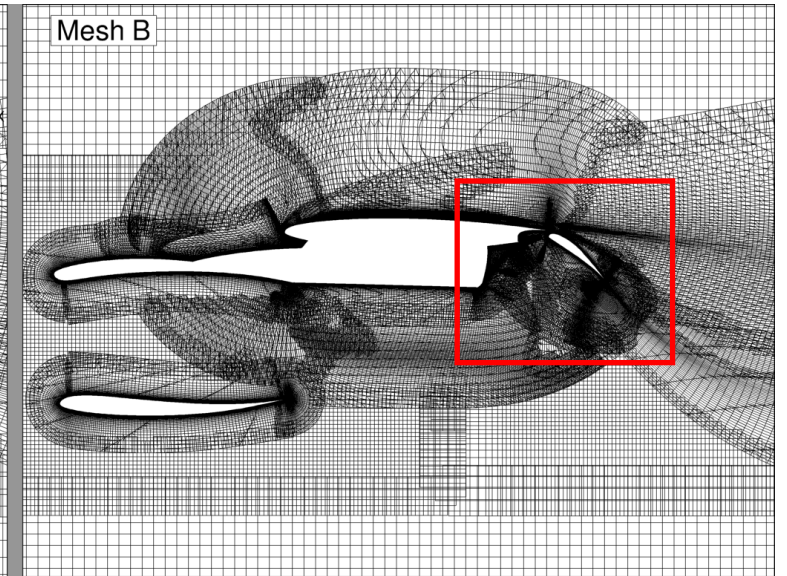
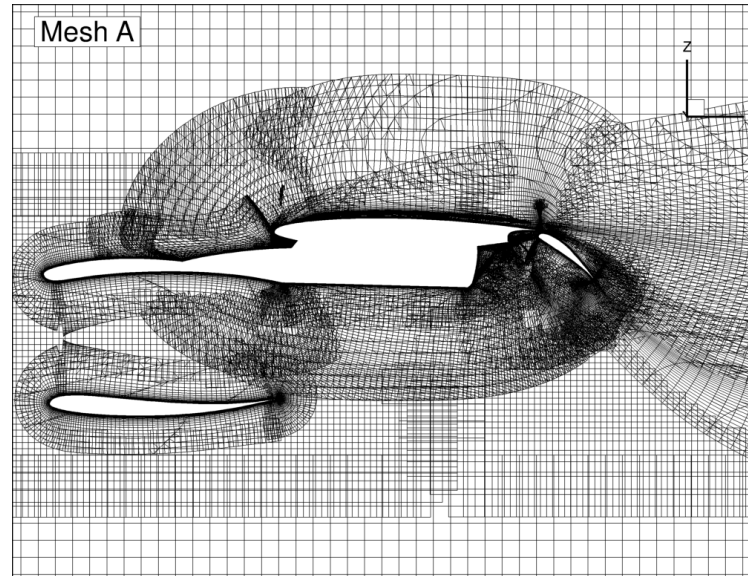


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Mesh Structured Overset Mesh Overview



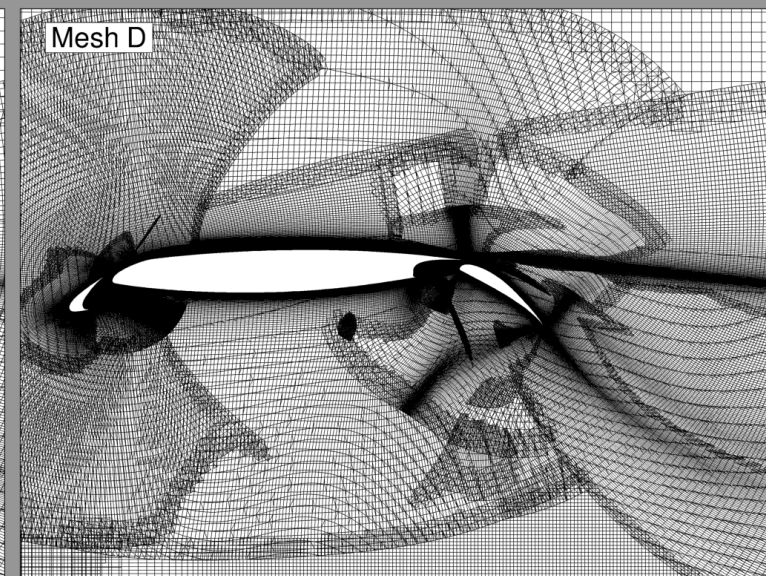
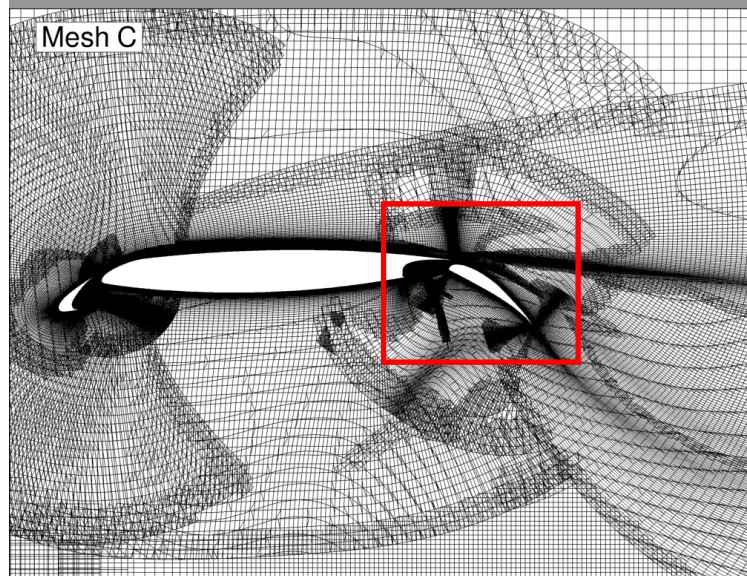
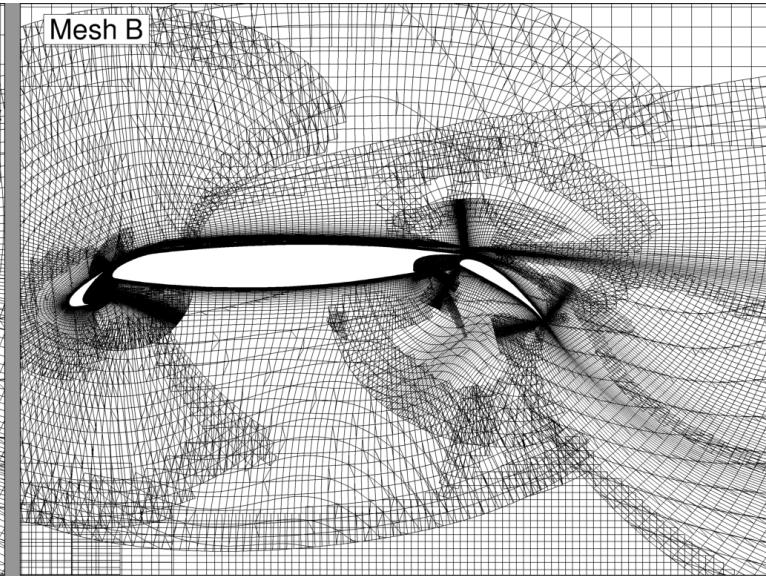
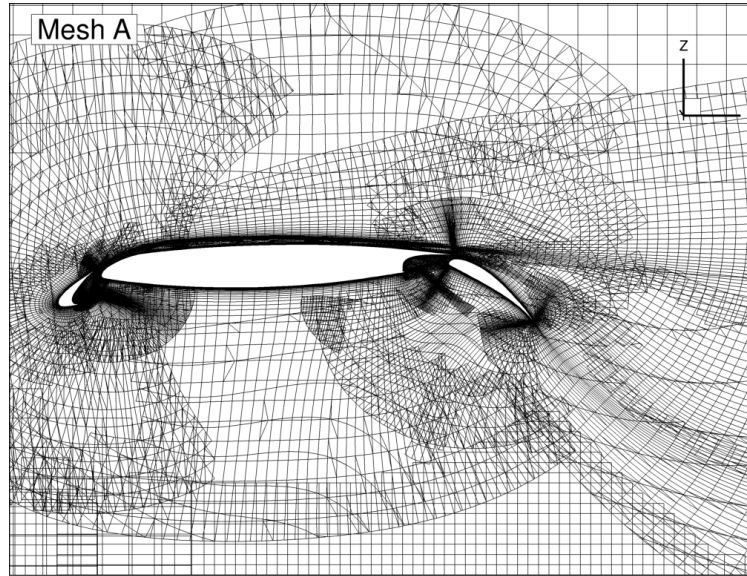
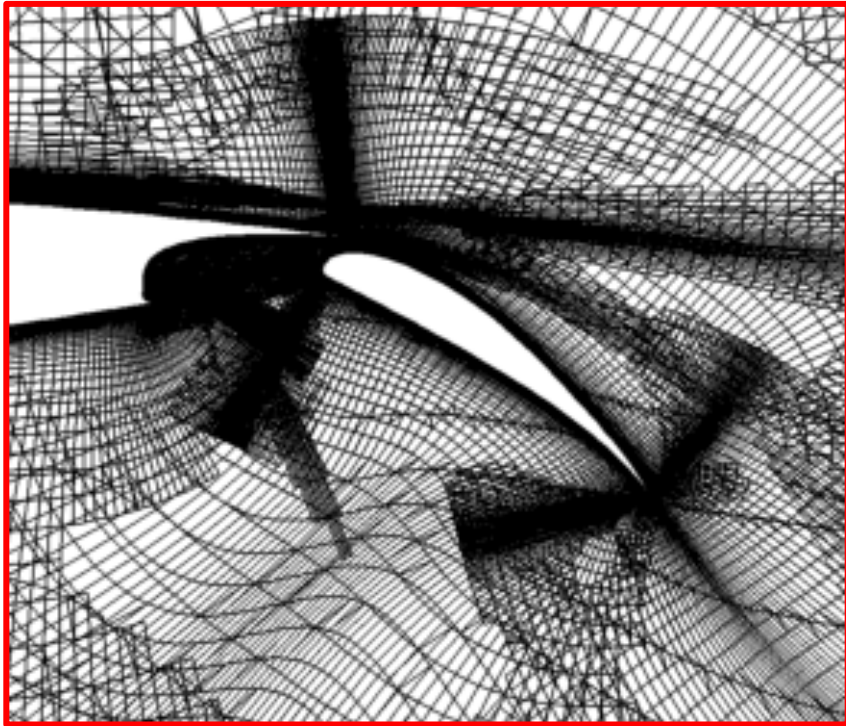
- Mesh slice at $y = 9.7$ m for levels A-D



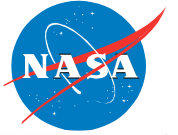
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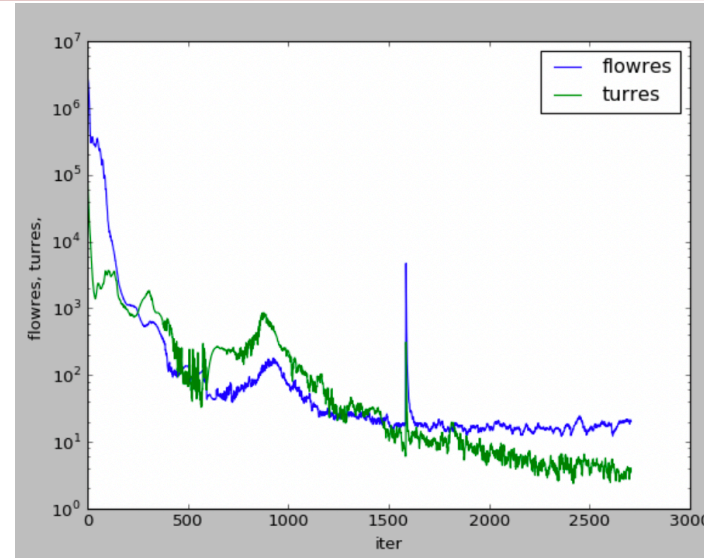
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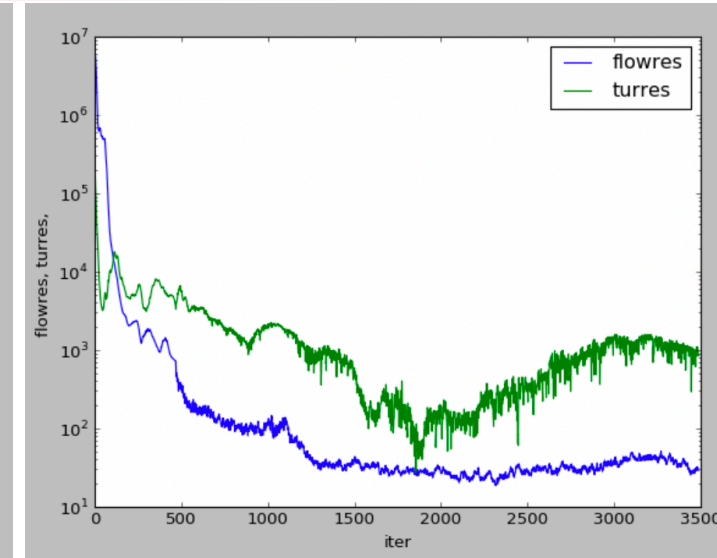
Convergence Histories/Integrated Loads



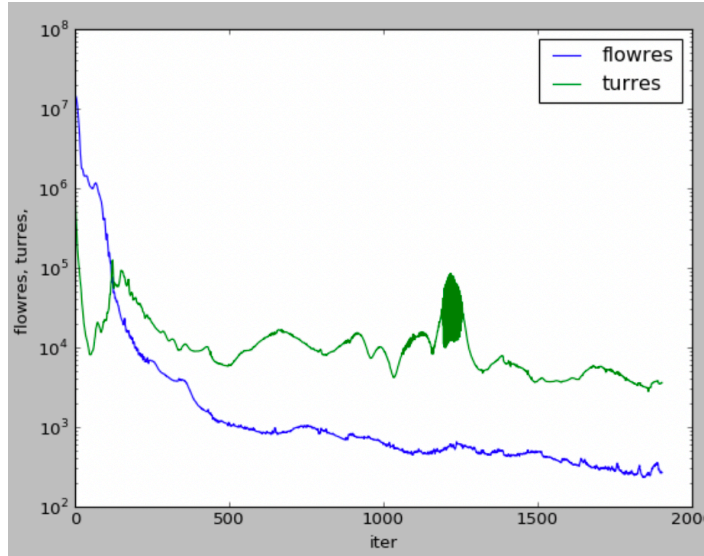
- Residual plots for the mean flow equations (blue) and turbulence equation (green) shown for the family of meshes
- Cases were run until at least until convergence criteria was met
 - Standard deviation of drag coefficient below 1/10 of a drag count ($1e-5$)
 - Measured over final 100 nonlinear iterations



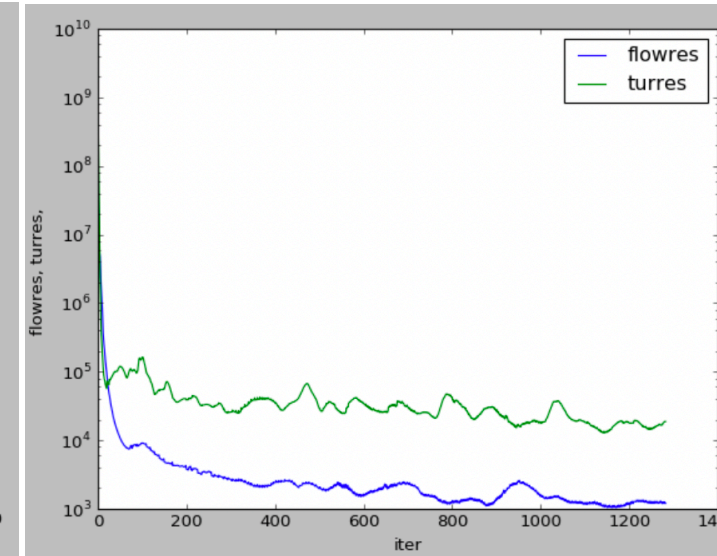
Mesh A



Mesh B



Mesh C



Mesh D