



Fluid-Structure Interaction Analysis of Flapping Motions by Partitioned Iterative Coupling Method

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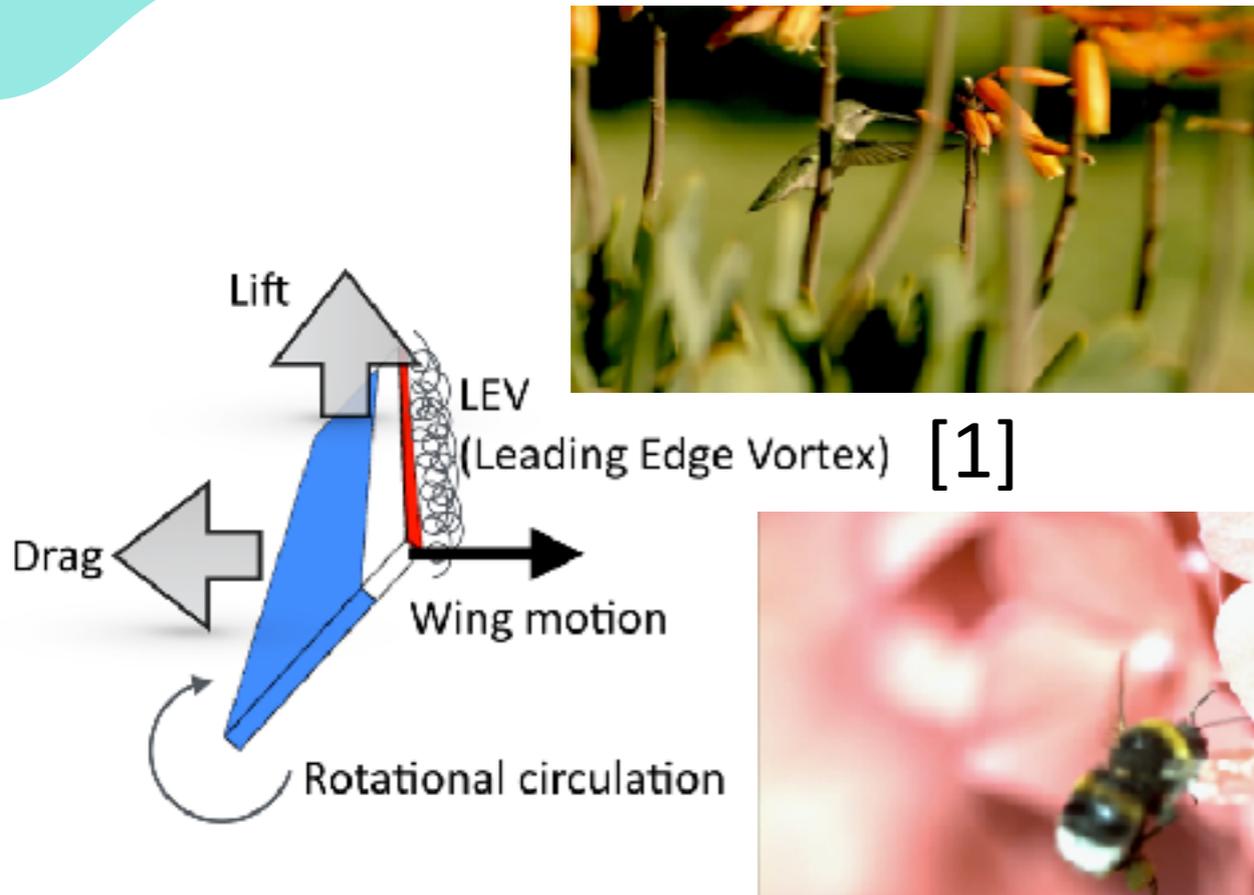
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BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVE



BACKGROUND

- Flapping flight is complex fluid-structure interaction (FSI) phenomenon
- Asymmetric and aperiodic flapping motion makes non-linearly deformed wings, and an unsteady flow follows. Pressure difference and vortices are generated, so beings can fly



OBJECTIVE

- To optimize flapping motions by FSI analysis for designing micro air vehicles (MAVs)

Main Research Contents

1. To develop stable, applicable, and practical FSI analysis system by partitioned iterative coupling method
2. To optimize flapping flight in morphology and kinematics



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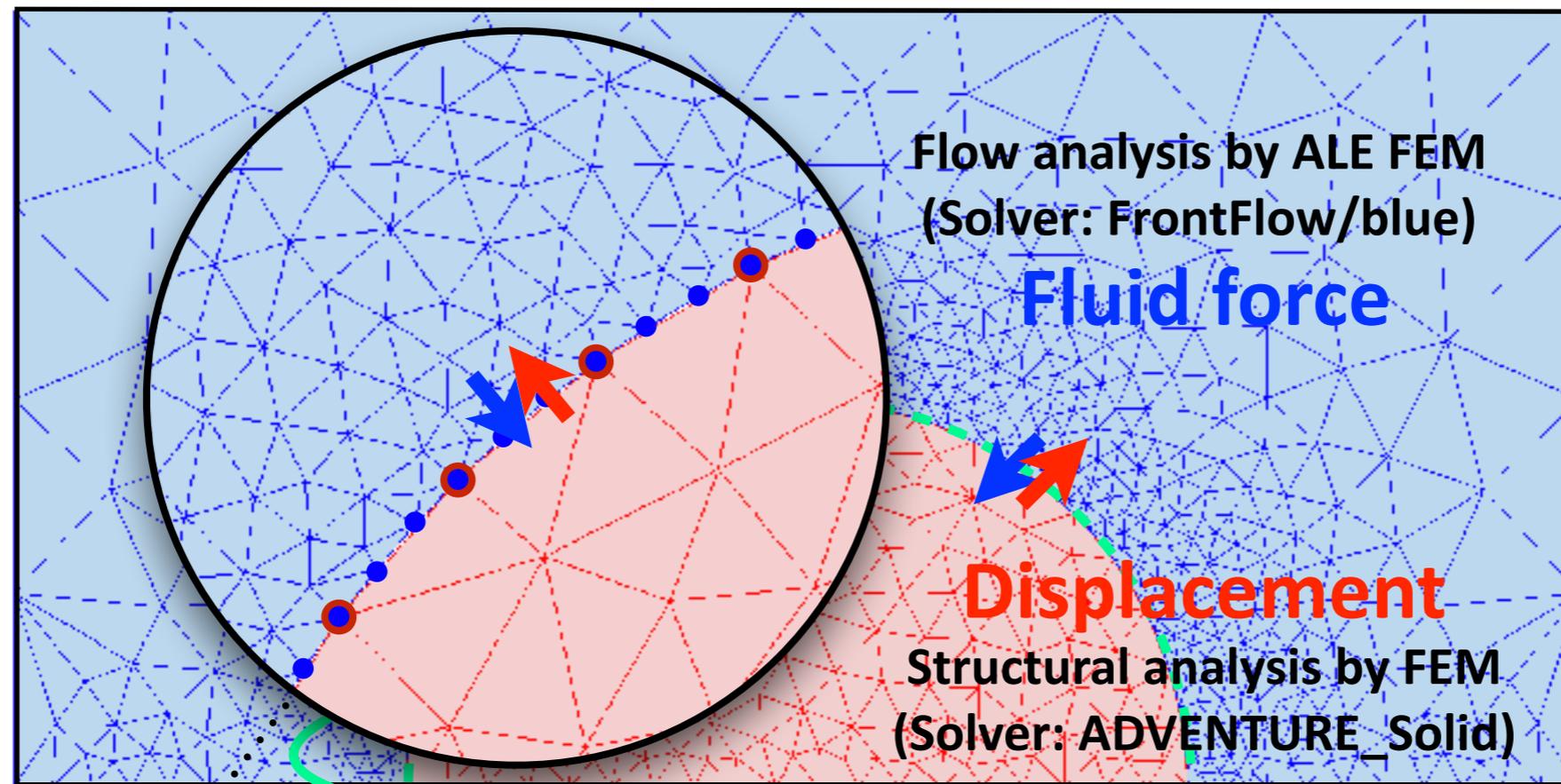
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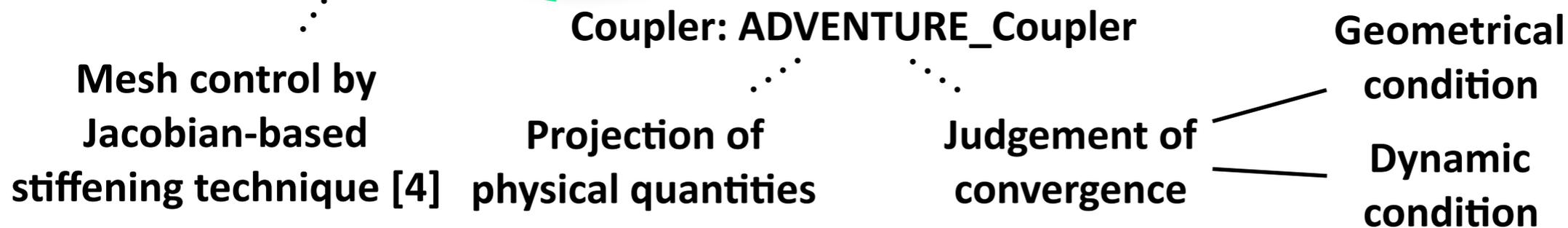
FSI ANALYSIS



- Flapping motion can be considered as **the interaction between an incompressible viscous flow and a non-linear elastic structure**
- **Partitioned iterative coupling method [3]** lets us to use exclusive solvers for flow and structural analyses, and to handle strong interaction problems



Concept of FSI problem

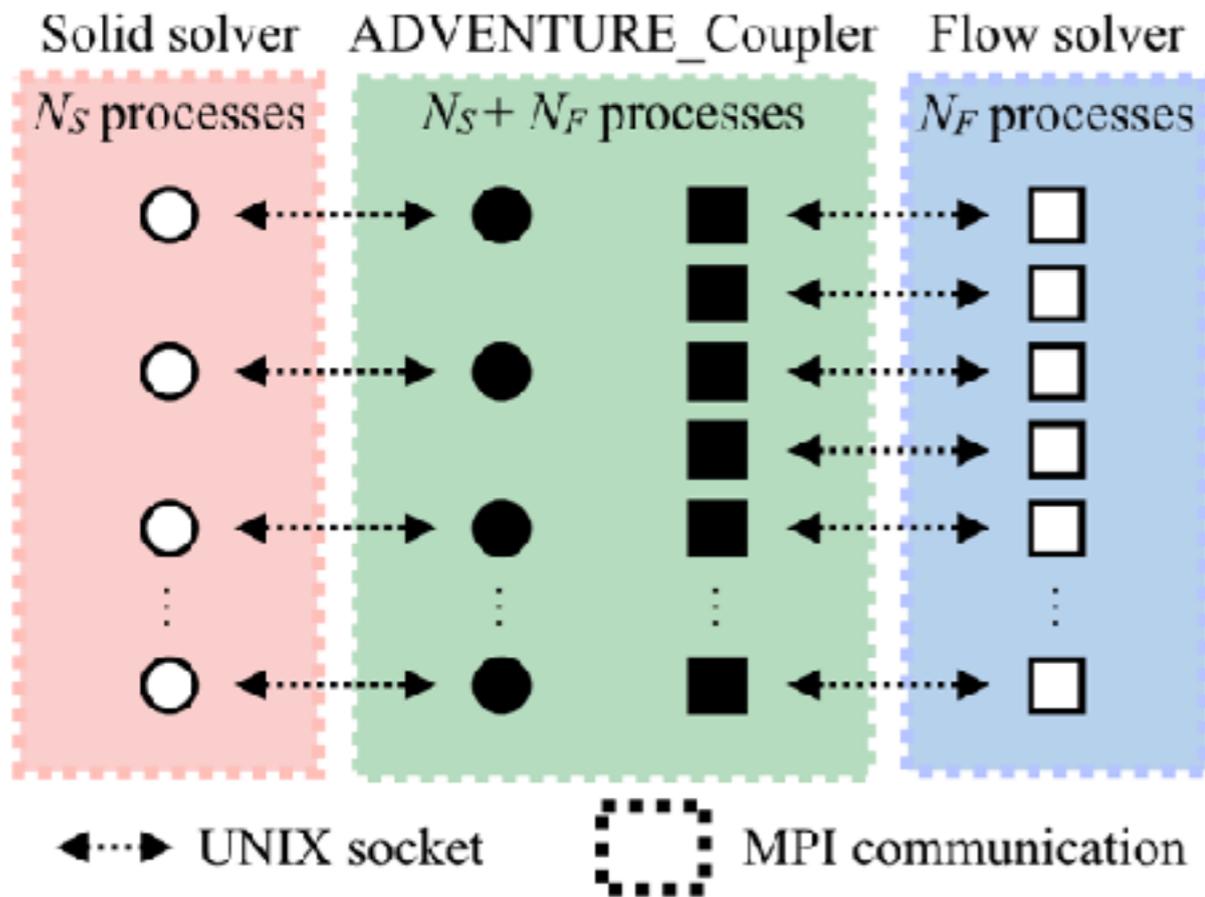


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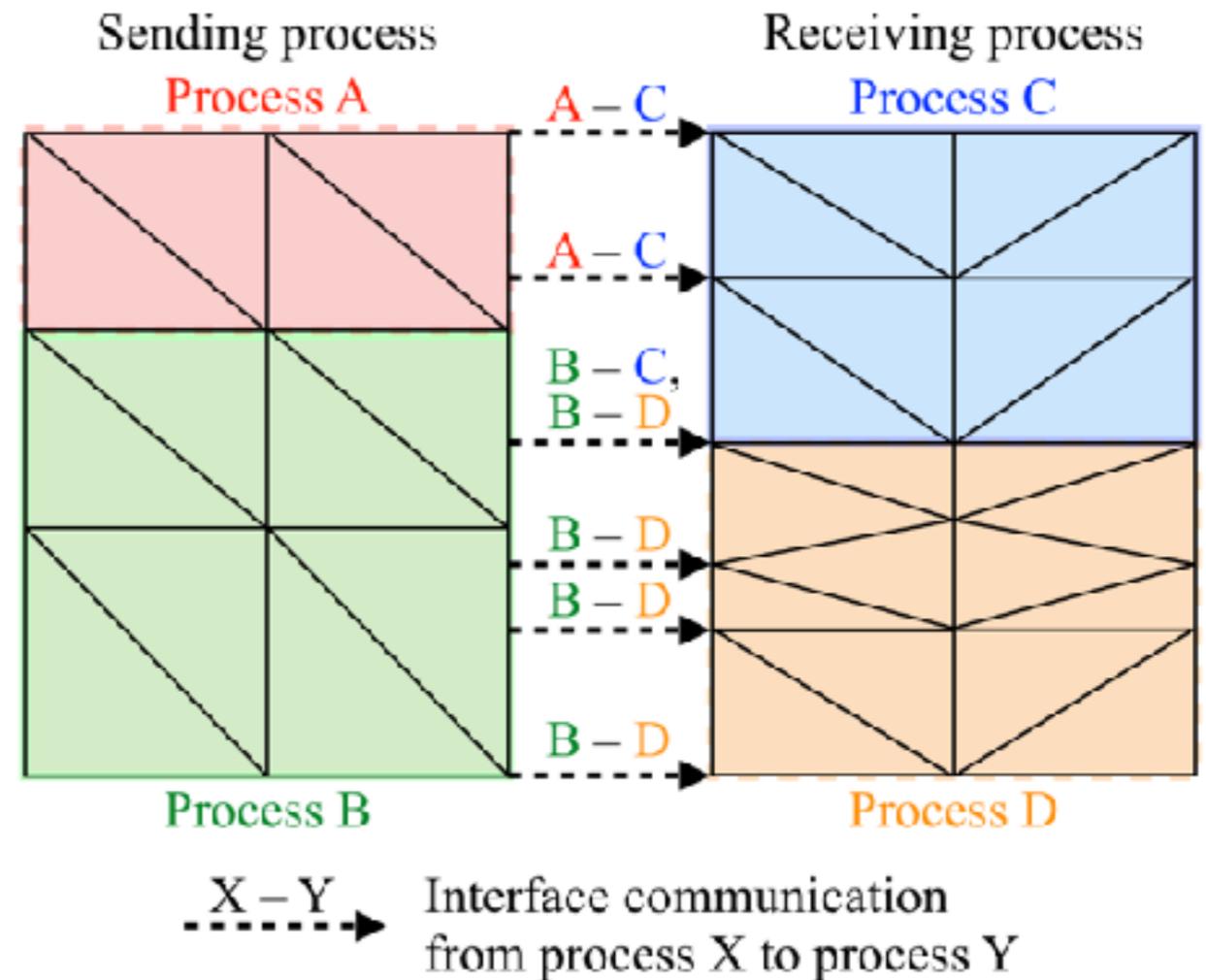
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COMMUNICATION



Communication model of coupling analysis using ADVENTURE_Coupler

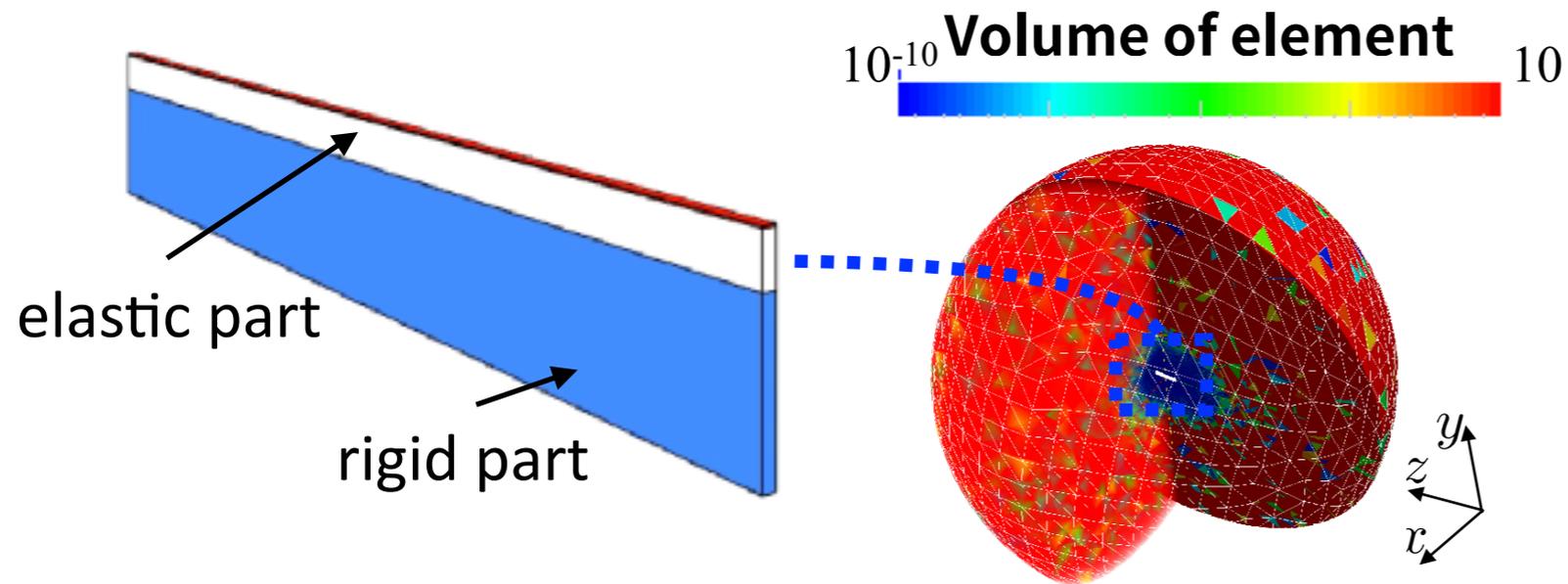


Model of communication among processes of ADVENTURE_Coupler

- UNIX socket is used for the communication between different softwares
- MPI communication is used on each analysis solver and the coupler for dealing with large-scale models where domain decomposition is applied

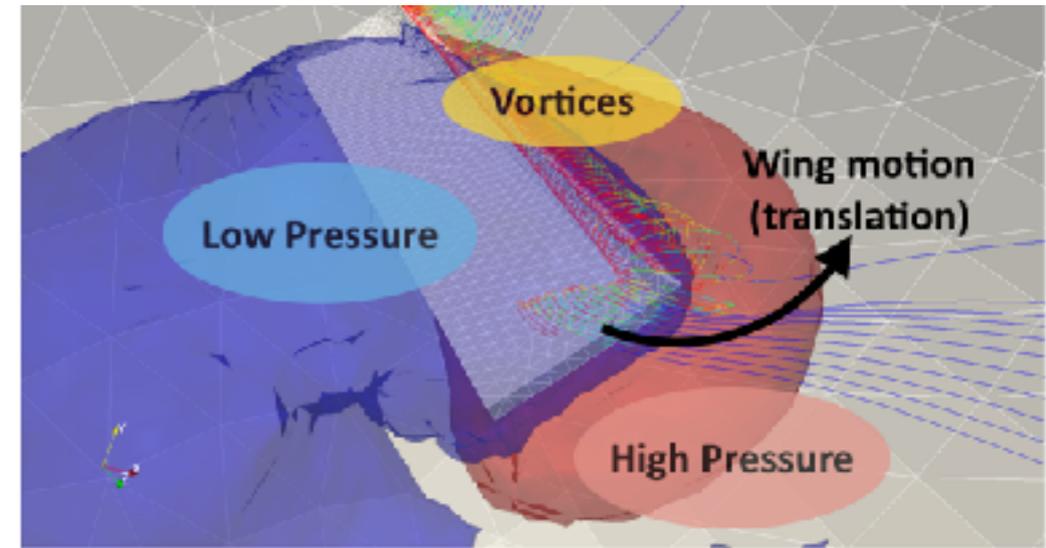


ANALYSIS PROCEDURE

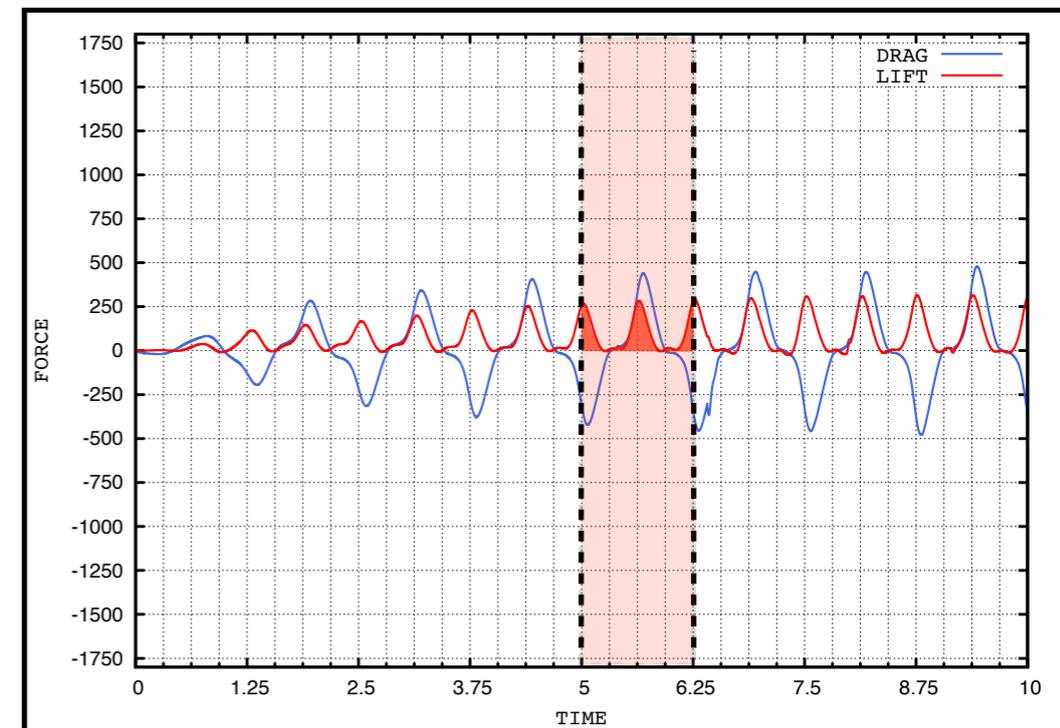


(a) Modeling on kinematics (flapping, pitching, and lead-lag), geometrics (multi materials), and physicals

(b) Mesh generation
- Structure (quadratic tetrahedron)
243,243 nodes, 154,080 elements
- Fluid (linear tetrahedron)
68,348 nodes, 404,159 elements



(c) Calculation and evaluation (visualization and data analysis)



ISSUE ON PARALLEL COMPUTING

- Is it possible to implement the communication using less processes?
- Can MPI_Spawn be a successful option?