Fan noise due to boundary layer ingestion in novel aircraft architectures (activities within DLR project AGATA\textsuperscript{3S})

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Impact of boundary layer ingestion on the aerodynamics, aeroelasticity, structural mechanics and acoustics of the aero engine fan

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  - Engine Acoustics
  - Fan and Compressor
  - Engine
  - Engine Measurement Systems
- Institute of Aeroelasticity
  - Aeroelasticity of Turbomachinery
- Institute of Structures and Design
  - Design and Manufacture Technologies
- Institute of Aerodynamics and Flow Technology
  - Transport Aircraft
  - Technical Acoustics
Objectives of the project AGATA\textsuperscript{3S}

1. Assess the relevance of the aerodynamic, aeroelastic, structural and acoustic effects that are caused at the fan by BLI

2. Verify and enhance prediction methods and design tools

3. Identify technical approaches for the interdisciplinary optimization of the entire airplane-engine system

Investigations are related to aircraft of type A320 with engines embedded in the rear

airplane concept TULAM (Toughen up Laminar Technology)
Strategy to achieve objectives

**CFD modelling of BLI flow field of aircraft including engine nacelle and fan model for variable level of embedding**

Reproduction of BLI in fan experiments under realistic conditions at DLR test facility

**Detailed analysis of all BLI effects at fan by comprehensive application of measurement techniques (hot wire, PIV, IPCT, BSSM, microphone arrays, …)**

Experiment at CRISP2 Fan
Strategy to achieve objectives

Correlation analysis of BLI effects at fan with the relevant aerodynamic parameters

Back transfer of findings to aircraft-engine system

Assessment of trade-off between negative BLI effects and gained efficiency of aircraft

Identification of approaches for reduction of BLI effects at fan

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Main goals of aeroacoustic studies

- Assessment of BLI-induced additional noise components of aero engine fan
- Detailed experimental analysis of the source mechanisms of BLI-fan-interaction noise
- Validation of numerical prediction codes

- Experimental study of sound radiation from embedded intakes, in particular propagation through boundary layer
- Validation of numerical prediction codes
- Appraisal of acoustic shielding effect due to the fuselage for aircrafts with rear mounted embedded engines

**Broadband noise generation of turbofan**
*(prediction with PropNoise, qualitatively)*

**Power Level vs Frequency**

- BLI-rotor interaction noise: ~30dB
- Rotor-stator interaction noise

**Intake buried in plate, plane wave radiation**
*(CAA prediction)*

\[ M=0.25 \text{ flow} \]

1/3 buried
1/2 buried
Current project phase: conception of three experiments

- Large scale tests at CRISP2 fan under realistic conditions
- Small scale tests at low-speed fan
- Wind tunnel tests with generic embedded aeroengine intake
Large-scale fan tests under realistic aeroengine conditions

- Compressor test bed M2VP in Cologne
- Counter Rotating Integrated Shrouded Propfan model CRISP2
  - diameter 1m, 10/12 rotor blades
  - bypass ratio ~16
  - mass flow 159 kg/s, pressure ratio 1.3 (design point)
Large-scale fan tests under realistic aeroengine conditions

Generation of BLI-representative inhomogenous inflow by perforated plate
Identification of feasible BLI cases for large-scale tests

CFD simulations of variable engine embedding and flight conditions

selection of BLI test cases for fan rig test

transformation to fan test rig conditions

BLI distorted inflow

unsteady pressure distribution on blades

blade vibrations blade stresses

material strains and elongations

material lifetime estimate
Large-scale fan tests under realistic aeroengine conditions

Comprehensive aerodynamic instrumentation for detailed measurement of steady and unsteady flow field upstream / interstage / downstream of fan

- Total pressure / temperature rakes
- Multihole pressure probes
- Hotwire anemometry
- Particle Image Velocimetry
Large-scale fan tests under realistic aeroengine conditions

Comprehensive acoustic instrumentation with ~230 microphones

- Detailed resolution of tonal and broadband noise components by application of mode decomposition techniques
- Correlation with relevant aerodynamic influencing variables
- **Magnitude of BLI-induced noise depending on inflow distortion characteristics**
Small scale tests at low-speed fan

- Detailed analysis of BLI-impact on rotor-stator-configuration
- Comprehensive aerodynamic and acoustic measurements
- Application of acoustic source localization techniques
- Identification of complex dependencies of noise sources from velocity distributions through extensive test variations
- Understanding of BLI-fan-interaction noise generating mechanisms
Wind tunnel tests with generic embedded aeroengine intake for study of sound radiation effects

- Investigation of boundary layer impact on sound propagation, e.g. refraction effects
- Generic test set-up to enable accurate numerical simulation
- Validation of 3D CAA code Disco++ and of fast-multipole-BEM-method

DNW-NWB wind tunnel
Overview of test set-up in DNW-NWB wind tunnel

Nozzle NWB

Non-reflecting exhaust

Embedded intake

Flat plate with scoop → new boundary

Collector NWB

Suction device (former planning, not necessary)
Intake embedding 0% (flush with fuselage)
Intake embedding 30%

- traversable microphone
- acoustic source
Combination of acoustic studies at project end

• **Evaluate acoustic effects for aircraft** configuration with embedded engines using validated prediction methods
  • appraisal of fan noise generation
  • appraisal of the acoustic shielding effect

• **Estimate tradeoff** between
  • positive shielding effect
  • additional BLI-induced fan noise

• **Identify approaches for acoustic optimisation** of overall system
Thank you for your attention