

### Prediction of Bifurcation Onset of Large Order Aeroelastic Models



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#### Mach Number

**Dynamic Pressure** 

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Aeroelastic eigenvalues using the Inverse Power Method





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Bad! - re-evaluate S at every nonlinear step

But

$$(A_{ff} - \lambda I)^{-1} \approx A_{ff}^{-1} + \lambda A_{ff}^{-1} A_{ff}^{-1}$$

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# Method

To track an aeroelastic eigenvalue

1. Choose normal mode frequency as a shift

$$S(\lambda) = (A_{ss} - \lambda_0 I) - A_{sf} (A_{ff} - \lambda I - \lambda_0 I)^{-1} A_{fs}$$

2. Precompute

$$A_{sf} (A_{ff} - \lambda_0 I)^{-1} A_{fs} \qquad A_{sf} (A_{ff} - \lambda_0 I)^{-2} A_{fs}$$

- 3. Solve nonlinear eigenvalue problem by Newton's method
  - Use series approximation to generate function (very cheap)
  - Use full evaluation to generate function (more expensive)
  - In both cases use series approximation for LHS
- 4. Change Altitude and repeat step 3

# Comments

- Series expansion to drive convergence
  - Full evaluation for function
    - Can account for aerostatic effects if needed
- Linear system
  - complex variable, block Jacobi BILU preconditioner
- Mode tracking
  - Cheap solution of nonlinear eigenvalue problems
  - small steps can be taken
- Highly parallel
  - Each mode can be tracked independently



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1p - 4% thick circular arc

![](_page_19_Picture_2.jpeg)

236k points

![](_page_19_Picture_4.jpeg)

Mach 0.92

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1.72 Hz

![](_page_20_Picture_2.jpeg)

3.05 Hz

![](_page_20_Picture_4.jpeg)

9.18 Hz

11.10 Hz

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0.2

0.

Altitude (feet) 20000

30000

Mach 0.97

2916e

30000

Altitude (feet) 20000

-0.0

-0.06

Mach 0.92

Altitude (feet)

30000

40000

0.2

0.1

Altitude (feet)

20000

30000

![](_page_22_Figure_0.jpeg)

8 processors

- Steady state in 11 minutes
- 4 modes generate S 134 minutes
- Full solution (8) 202 minutes
- series and full identical results
- Total cost series method -13.5 steady state solves

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### 234k points

![](_page_23_Picture_2.jpeg)

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![](_page_23_Picture_4.jpeg)

Mach 0.90

Mach 0.96

Mach 0.99

![](_page_24_Figure_0.jpeg)

#### 8 processors

- Per Mach number
  - Steady state in 14 minutes
  - Generate S matrix 9 minutes
  - Full function evaluation (8) 49 minutes (23 nonlinear steps)
- series and full solutions identical
- Total cost series method for 6 Mach nos 11.5 times steady state

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Mach 0.85

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#### 8 processors

- Steady state in 22 minutes
- for 8 modes generate S total time 95 minutes
- Full function evaluation each mode took 72 minutes
- series and full solutions identical
- Total cost series method for 8 modes 5 times steady state

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### Mach 0.85

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32 processors

- Steady state in 15 minutes
- For each mode generate S 45 minutes
- -Total cost series method for 10 modes 30 times steady state

# Conclusions

- New method proposed
  - mode tracking (robust for all tests)
  - parallel linear solution
    - 100-220 iterations for all cases shown
- Application to 4 contrasting test cases
  - Series solution works well in all cases
  - Costs per Mach number
    - 5-30 times steady state cost
  - Information about mechanisms provided
    - Detailed and familiar

## **Future Work**

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- ROM to predict LCO
  - Based on critical eigenvector
- Demonstrated for Goland wing
- · Can now develop a parallel version of this approach
  - Application to aircraft LCO