

# Gradient-based optimization of flow problems using the adjoint method and high-order numerical discretizations

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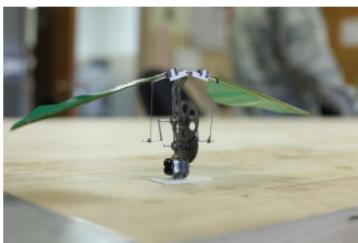
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# PDE optimization is ubiquitous in science and engineering

**Design:** Find system that optimizes performance metric, satisfies constraints



Aerodynamic shape design of automobile

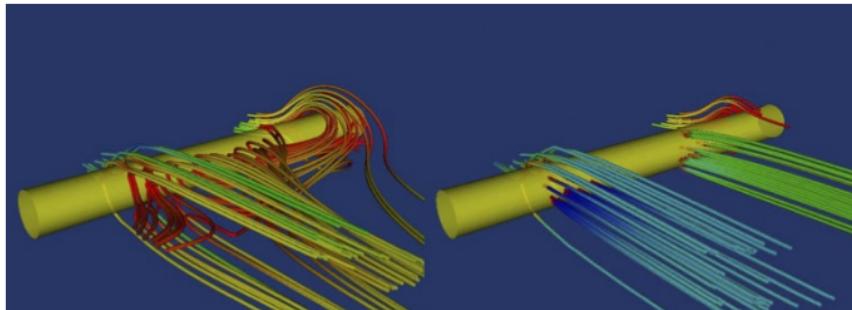


Optimal flapping motion of micro aerial vehicle

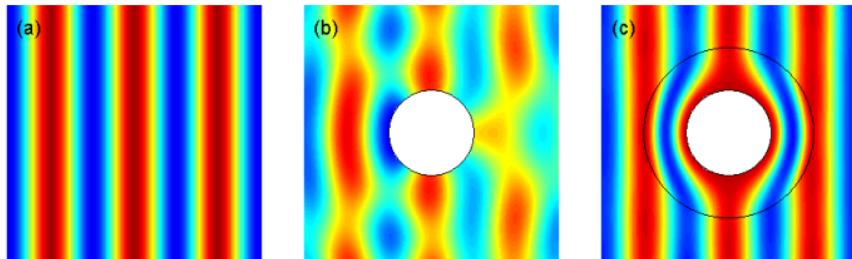


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**Control:** Drive system to a desired state



Boundary flow control

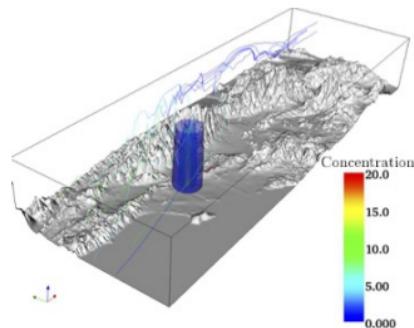
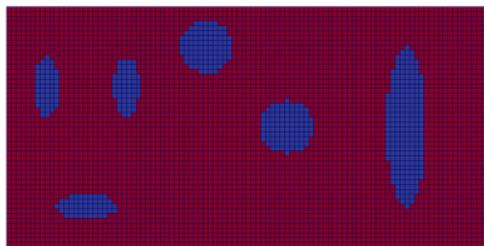


Metamaterial cloaking – electromagnetic invisibility



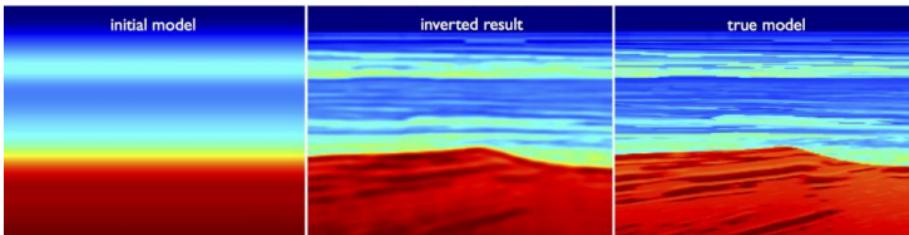
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**Inverse problems:** Infer the problem setup given solution observations



*Left:* Material inversion – find inclusions from acoustic, structural measurements

*Right:* Source inversion – find source of airborne contaminant from downstream measurements

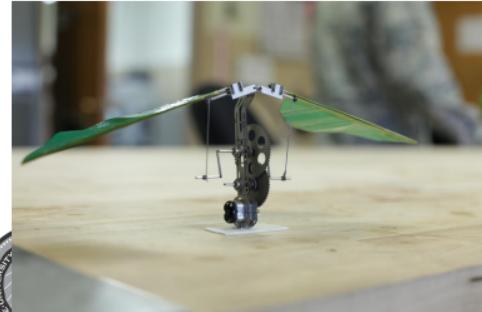


Full waveform inversion – estimate subsurface of Earth's crust from acoustic



# Time-dependent PDE-constrained optimization

- Introduction of **fully discrete adjoint method** emanating from **high-order** discretization of governing equations
- **Time-periodicity** constraints
- Extension to high-order partitioned solver for **fluid-structure** interaction
- Solver acceleration via **model reduction**
- Applications: flapping flight, energy harvesting, MRI imaging



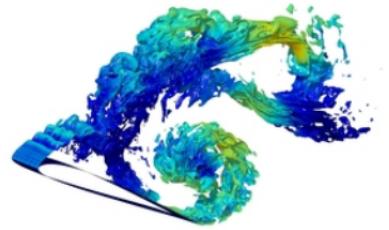
Micro aerial vehicle



Vertical windmill



Volkswagen Passat



LES flow past airfoil

# Unsteady PDE-constrained optimization formulation

**Goal:** Find the solution of the *unsteady PDE-constrained optimization* problem

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \mathcal{J}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{F}(\boldsymbol{U}, \nabla \boldsymbol{U}) = 0 \quad \text{in } v(\boldsymbol{\mu}, t)$$

where

- $\boldsymbol{U}(\boldsymbol{x}, t)$  PDE solution
- $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  design/control parameters
- $\mathcal{J}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \int_{T_0}^{T_f} \int_{\Gamma} j(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t) dS dt$  objective function
- $\boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \int_{T_0}^{T_f} \int_{\Gamma} \mathbf{c}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t) dS dt$  constraints



# Nested approach to PDE-constrained optimization

*PDE optimization requires repeated queries to primal and dual PDE*

Optimizer

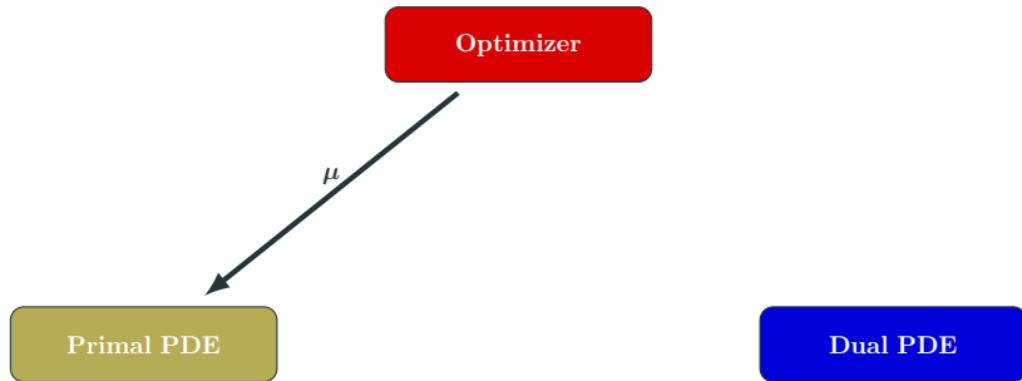
Primal PDE

Dual PDE



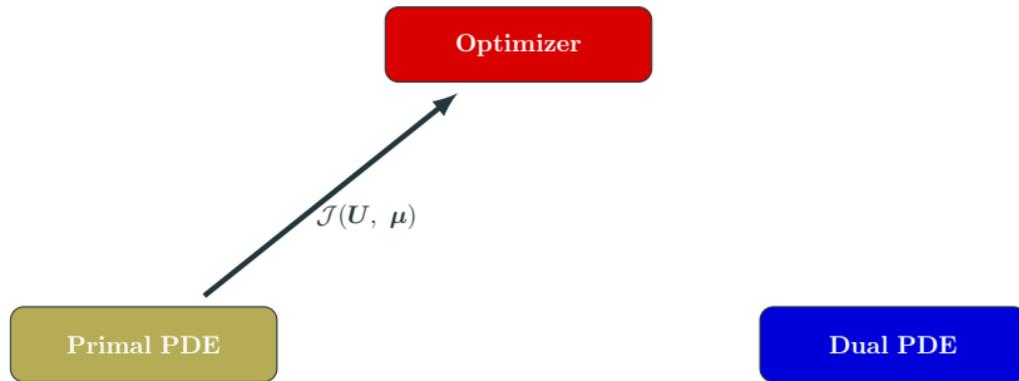
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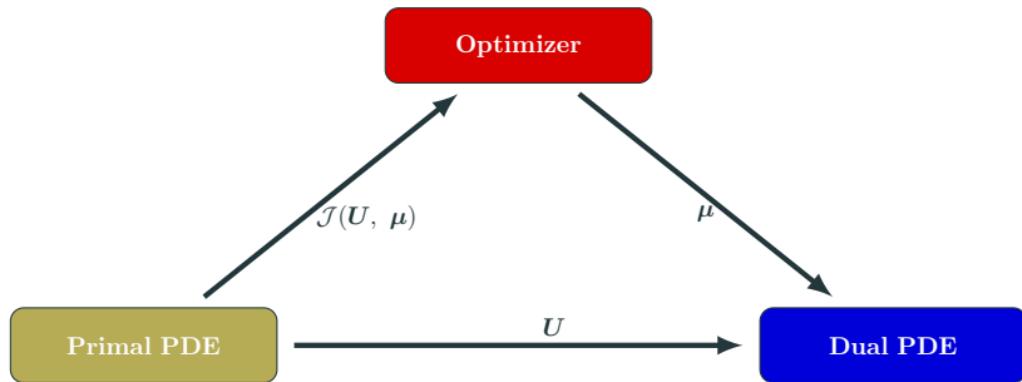
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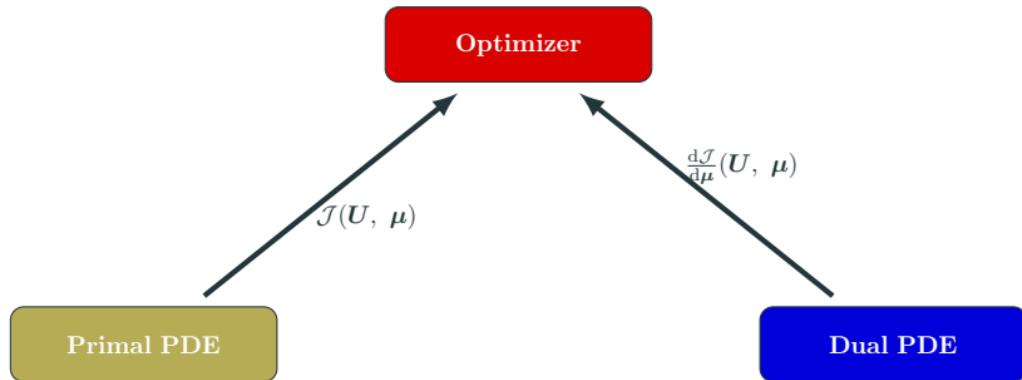
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# High-order discretization of PDE-constrained optimization

- *Continuous* PDE-constrained optimization problem

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \mathcal{J}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{U}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{F}(\boldsymbol{U}, \nabla \boldsymbol{U}) = 0 \quad \text{in } v(\boldsymbol{\mu}, t)$$

- *Fully discrete* PDE-constrained optimization problem

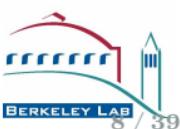
$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{\boldsymbol{u}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{N_t} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, \\ \boldsymbol{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{k}_{N_t,s} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu}}{\text{minimize}} & J(\boldsymbol{u}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{N_t}, \boldsymbol{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \end{array}$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \boldsymbol{C}(\boldsymbol{u}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{N_t}, \boldsymbol{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{u}_0 - \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{u}_n - \boldsymbol{u}_{n-1} - \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i} = 0$$

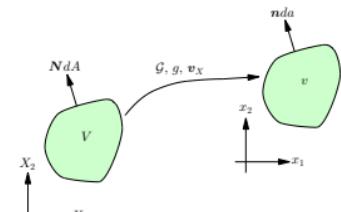
$$\boldsymbol{M} \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i} - \Delta t_n \boldsymbol{r}(\boldsymbol{u}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t_{n,i}) = 0$$



# Highlights of globally high-order discretization

- **Arbitrary Lagrangian-Eulerian formulation:**  
Map,  $\mathcal{G}(\cdot, \mu, t)$ , from physical  $v(\mu, t)$  to reference  $V$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{U}_X}{\partial t} \Big|_X + \nabla_X \cdot \mathbf{F}_X(\mathbf{U}_X, \nabla_X \mathbf{U}_X) = 0$$



- **Space discretization:** discontinuous Galerkin

$$M \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{u}, \mu, t)$$

- **Time discretization:** diagonally implicit RK

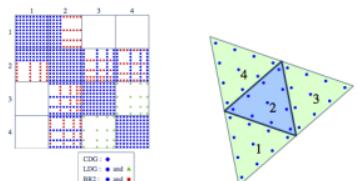
$$\mathbf{u}_n = \mathbf{u}_{n-1} + \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_{n,i}$$

$$M \mathbf{k}_{n,i} = \Delta t_n \mathbf{r}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \mu, t_{n,i})$$

- **Quantity of interest:** solver-consistency

$$F(\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t}, \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s})$$

Mapping-Based ALE



DG Discretization

$c_1$	$a_{11}$			
$c_2$	$a_{21}$	$a_{22}$		
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\ddots$	
$c_s$	$a_{s1}$	$a_{s2}$	$\cdots$	$a_{ss}$
	$b_1$	$b_2$	$\cdots$	$b_s$

Butcher Tableau for DIRK

# Adjoint method to efficiently compute gradients of QoI

- Consider the *fully discrete* output functional  $F(\mathbf{u}_n, \mathbf{k}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ 
  - Represents either the **objective** function or a **constraint**
- The *total derivative* with respect to the parameters  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ , required in the context of gradient-based optimization, takes the form

$$\frac{dF}{d\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} + \sum_{n=0}^{N_t} \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_n} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_n}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} + \sum_{n=1}^{N_t} \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}} \frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}}$$

- The sensitivities,  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_n}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}}$  and  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}}$ , are expensive to compute, requiring the solution of  $n_\boldsymbol{\mu}$  linear evolution equations
- **Adjoint method:** alternative method for computing  $\frac{dF}{d\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  that require one linear evolution equation for each quantity of interest,  $F$



# Adjoint equation derivation: outline

- Define **auxiliary** PDE-constrained optimization problem

$$\underset{\substack{\boldsymbol{u}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{N_t} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, \\ \boldsymbol{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{k}_{N_t,s} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}}}{\text{minimize}} \quad F(\boldsymbol{u}_0, \dots, \boldsymbol{u}_{N_t}, \boldsymbol{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

subject to  $\boldsymbol{R}_0 = \boldsymbol{u}_0 - \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = 0$

$$\boldsymbol{R}_n = \boldsymbol{u}_n - \boldsymbol{u}_{n-1} - \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i} = 0$$

$$\boldsymbol{R}_{n,i} = \boldsymbol{M} \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i} - \Delta t_n \boldsymbol{r}(\boldsymbol{u}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t_{n,i}) = 0$$

- Define **Lagrangian**

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{u}_n, \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n, \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}) = F - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^T \boldsymbol{R}_0 - \sum_{n=1}^{N_t} \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^T \boldsymbol{R}_n - \sum_{n=1}^{N_t} \sum_{i=1}^s \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^T \boldsymbol{R}_{n,i}$$

- The solution of the optimization problem is given by the **Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system**

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_n} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \boldsymbol{k}_{n,i}} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}} = 0$$



# Dissection of fully discrete adjoint equations

- **Linear** evolution equations solved **backward** in time
- **Primal** state/stage,  $\mathbf{u}_{n,i}$  required at each state/stage of dual problem
- Heavily dependent on **chosen output**

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{N_t} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}^T$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{n-1} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{n-1}}^T + \sum_{i=1}^s \Delta t_n \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \mu, t_{n-1} + c_i \Delta t_n)^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}$$

$$\mathbf{M}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}}{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}^T + b_i \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n + \sum_{j=i}^s a_{ji} \Delta t_n \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{u}_{n,j}, \mu, t_{n-1} + c_j \Delta t_n)^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,j}$$

- Gradient reconstruction via dual variables

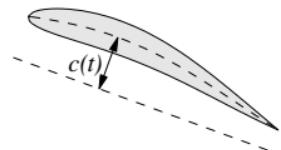
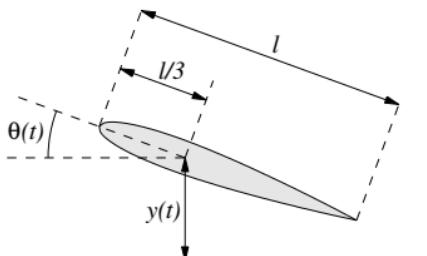
$$\frac{dF}{d\mu} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mu} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0^T \frac{\partial \bar{\mathbf{u}}}{\partial \mu}(\mu) + \sum_{n=1}^{N_t} \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mu}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \mu, t_{n,i})$$



# Energetically optimal flapping under $x$ -impulse constraint

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize}_{\mu} \quad & - \int_{2T}^{3T} \int_{\Gamma} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dS \, dt \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \int_{2T}^{3T} \int_{\Gamma} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 \, dS \, dt = q \\ & \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{x}) \\ & \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}, \nabla \mathbf{U}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Isentropic, compressible, Navier-Stokes
- $\text{Re} = 1000, M = 0.2$
- $y(t), \theta(t), c(t)$  parametrized via periodic cubic splines
- Black-box optimizer: SNOPT



Airfoil schematic, kinematic description



# Optimal control - fixed shape

*Fixed shape, optimal Rigid Body Motion (RBM), varied x-impulse*

Energy = 9.4096  
 $x$ -impulse = -0.1766

Energy = 0.45695  
 $x$ -impulse = 0.000

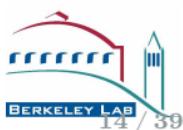
Energy = 4.9475  
 $x$ -impulse = -2.500

Initial Guess



Optimal RBM  
 $J_x = 0.0$

Optimal RBM  
 $J_x = -2.5$



# Optimal control, time-morphed geometry

*Optimal Rigid Body Motion (RBM) and Time-Morphed Geometry (TMG), varied  
x-impulse*

Energy = 9.4096  
 $x$ -impulse = -0.1766

Energy = 0.45027  
 $x$ -impulse = 0.000

Energy = 4.6182  
 $x$ -impulse = -2.500

Initial Guess



Optimal RBM/TMG  
 $J_x = 0.0$

Optimal RBM/TMG  
 $J_x = -2.5$



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*Optimal Rigid Body Motion (RBM) and Time-Morphed Geometry (TMG),  
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Initial Guess



Optimal RBM  
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Optimal RBM/TMG  
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# Energetically optimal 3D flapping motions

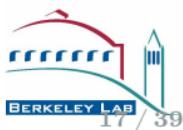
**Goal:** Find energetically optimal flapping motion that achieves zero thrust

Energy = 1.4459e-01

Thrust = -1.1192e-01

Energy = 3.1378e-01

Thrust = 0.0000e+00



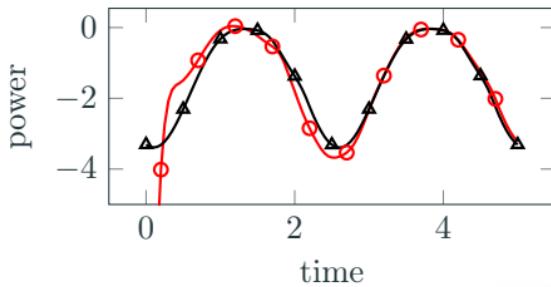
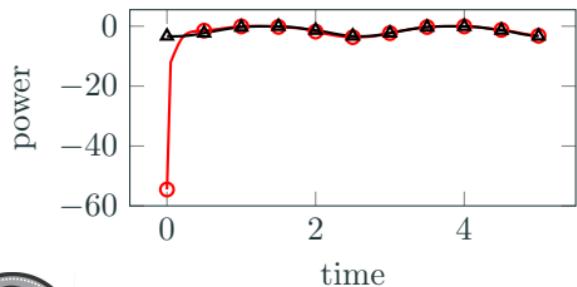
# Time-Periodic solutions desired when optimizing cyclic motion

- To properly optimize a cyclic, or periodic problem, need to simulate a **representative** period
- Necessary to avoid transients that will impact quantity of interest and may cause simulation to crash
- **Task:** Find initial condition,  $\bar{u}$ , such that flow is periodic, i.e.  $u_{N_t} = \bar{u}$



# Time-periodic solutions desired when optimizing cyclic motion

Vorticity around airfoil with flow initialized from steady-state (left) and time-periodic flow (right)



Time history of power on airfoil of flow initialized from steady-state (—○—) and from a time-periodic solution (—▲—)



# Newton-Krylov shooting method for time-periodic solutions

- Apply Newton's method to solve nonlinear system of equations

$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u}_{N_t}(\mathbf{w}) - \mathbf{w} = 0$$

- Nonlinear iteration defined as

$$\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} - \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{w})^{-1} \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{w})$$

where  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} - \mathbf{I}$

- $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}{\partial \mathbf{w}}$  is a **large, dense** matrix and expensive to construct
- Krylov method to solve  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{w})^{-1} \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{w})$  only requires matrix-vector products

$$\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{w})\mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}$$



# Fully discrete sensitivity method to compute $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v}$

- Direct differentiation of fully discrete conservation law, and multiplication by  $\mathbf{v}$ , leads to the fully discrete sensitivity equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_0}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_n}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{n-1}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} + \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v}$$

$$M \frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} = \Delta t_n \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \mu, t_{n-1,i}) \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_{n-1}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} + \sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij} \frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,j}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v} \right]$$

- Sensitivity variables:  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_n}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v}$ , and  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{k}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{w}} \mathbf{v}$



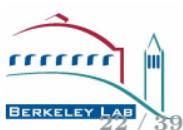
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- Heavily dependent on **chosen vector**

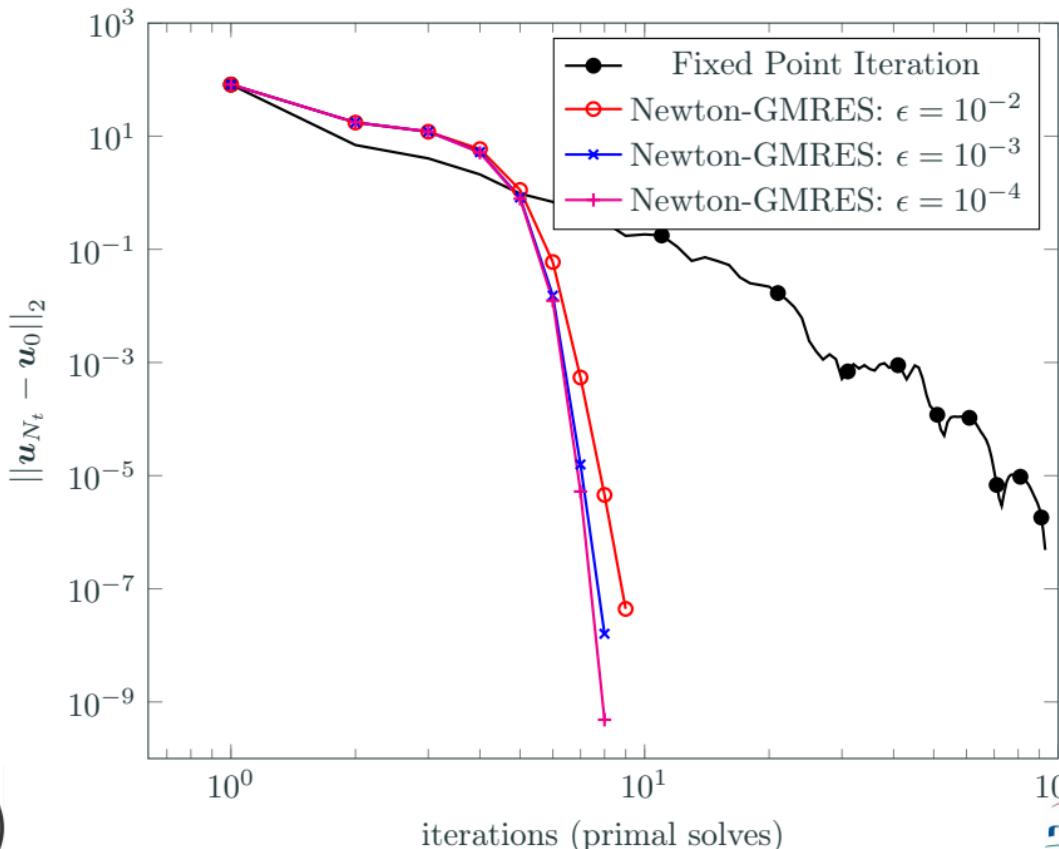
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# Newton-GMRES converges faster than fixed point iteration



# Time-periodicity constraints in PDE-constrained optimization

Recall *fully discrete* PDE-constrained optimization problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & J(\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t}, \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ \mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, & \\ \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, & \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu} & \end{array}$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t}, \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_0 - \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{u}_n - \mathbf{u}_{n-1} + \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_{n,i} = 0$$

$$M\mathbf{k}_{n,i} - \Delta t_n \mathbf{r} \left( \mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t_i^{(n-1)} \right) = 0$$



# Time-periodicity constraints in PDE-constrained optimization

Slight modification leads to fully discrete periodic PDE-constrained optimization

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & J(\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t}, \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ \mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, & \\ \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_u}, & \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_\mu} & \end{array}$$

subject to  $\mathbf{C}(\mathbf{u}_0, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{N_t}, \mathbf{k}_{1,1}, \dots, \mathbf{k}_{N_t,s}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq 0$

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# Adjoint method for periodic PDE-constrained optimization

- Following identical procedure as for non-periodic case, the adjoint equations corresponding to the periodic conservation law are

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{N_t} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0 + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}^T$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{n-1} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{n-1}}^T + \sum_{i=1}^s \Delta t_n \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{u}_{n,i}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t_{n-1} + c_i \Delta t_n)^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}$$

$$\mathbf{M}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}}^T + b_i \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n + \sum_{j=i}^s a_{ji} \Delta t_n \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}}{\partial \mathbf{u}} (\mathbf{u}_{n,j}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, t_{n-1} + c_j \Delta t_n)^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,j}$$

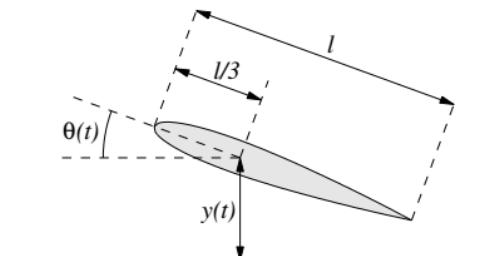
- Dual problem is also periodic
- Solve *linear, periodic* problem using Krylov shooting method



# Energetically optimal flapping: $x$ -impulse, time-periodic

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize}_{\mu} \quad & - \int_0^T \int_{\Gamma} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{v} \, dS \, dt \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \int_0^T \int_{\Gamma} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 \, dS \, dt = q \\ & \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{x}, T) \\ & \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}, \nabla \mathbf{U}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Isentropic, compressible, Navier-Stokes
- $\text{Re} = 1000, M = 0.2$
- $y(t), \theta(t), c(t)$  parametrized via periodic cubic splines
- Black-box optimizer: SNOPT



Airfoil schematic, kinematic description



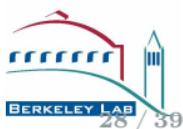
# Solution of time-periodic, energetically optimal flapping

Energy = 9.4096

$x$ -impulse = -0.1766

Energy = 0.45695

$x$ -impulse = 0.000



# Data assimilation: inverse problem in medical imaging

**Goal:** Determine the boundary conditions that produces a high-resolution flow that matches low-resolution flow measurements ( $\mathbf{d}^*$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\boldsymbol{\mu}}{\text{minimize}} && \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{U}) - \mathbf{d}^*|^2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \frac{\partial \mathbf{U}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{U}, \nabla \mathbf{U}) = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega \\ & && \mathbf{U} = \boldsymbol{\mu} \quad \quad \quad \text{on } \Gamma \end{aligned}$$

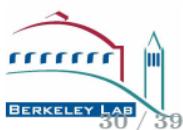


# Data assimilation: inverse problem in medical imaging

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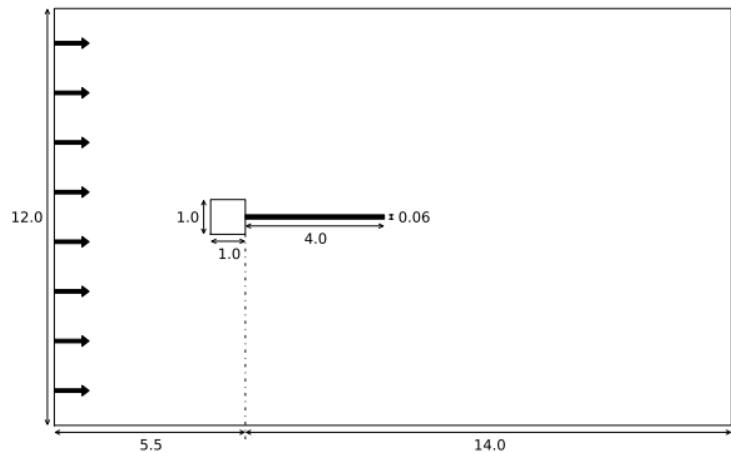
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Reconstructed  
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# Fluid-structure interaction: cantilever system

- Standard FSI benchmark problem.
- Elastic cantilever behind a square bluff body in incompressible flow.

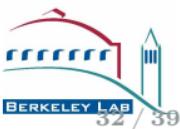


- Cantilever:  
 $\rho_s = 100 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ,  $\nu_s = 0.35$ ,  
 $E = 2.5 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ .
- Fluid & Flow:  
 $\rho_f = 1.18 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ,  
 $\nu_f = 1.54 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ,  
 $v_f = 0.513 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $\text{Re} = 333$ ,  
 $\text{Ma} = 0.2$ .

- Vortex shedding frequency:  $\sim 6.3 \text{ Hz}$
- Cantilever first mode:  $3.03 \text{ Hz}$



# Fluid-structure interaction: cantilever system



# Fluid-structure interaction: flow around membrane, 3D

- Angle of attack  $22.6^\circ$ , Reynolds number 2000.
- Flexible structure prevents leading edge separation.



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# Coupled fluid-structure formulation

- Write discretized fluid and structure equations as ODEs

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{M}^f \dot{\boldsymbol{u}}^f &= \boldsymbol{r}^f(\boldsymbol{u}^f; \boldsymbol{x}) \\ \boldsymbol{M}^s \dot{\boldsymbol{u}}^s &= \boldsymbol{r}^s(\boldsymbol{u}^s; \boldsymbol{t}) \\ &= \boldsymbol{r}^{ss}(\boldsymbol{u}^s) + \boldsymbol{r}^{sf} \cdot \boldsymbol{t}\end{aligned}$$

in the fluid  $\boldsymbol{u}^f$  and structure  $\boldsymbol{u}^s$  variables

- Apply couplings
  - Structure-to-fluid: deform fluid domain  $\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}(\boldsymbol{u}^s)$
  - Fluid-to-structure: apply boundary traction  $\boldsymbol{t} = \boldsymbol{t}(\boldsymbol{u}^f)$
- Write coupled system as  $\boldsymbol{M}\dot{\boldsymbol{u}} = \boldsymbol{r}(\boldsymbol{u})$

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{u}^f \\ \boldsymbol{u}^s \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{r}(\boldsymbol{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{r}^f(\boldsymbol{u}^f; \boldsymbol{x}(\boldsymbol{u}^s)) \\ \boldsymbol{r}^s(\boldsymbol{u}^s; \boldsymbol{t}(\boldsymbol{u}^f)) \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{M}^f & \\ & \boldsymbol{M}^s \end{bmatrix}$$



# High-order partitioned FSI solver: IMEX Runge-Kutta

- Define **stage solutions**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^s &= \mathbf{u}_{n-1}^s + \sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_{n,j}^s + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \hat{a}_{ij} \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{n,j}^s \\ \mathbf{u}_{n,i}^f &= \mathbf{u}_{n-1}^f + \sum_{j=1}^i a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_{n,j}^f\end{aligned}$$

- Define **traction predictor** as true traction at previous stage

$$\tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i} = \mathbf{t}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i-1})$$

- Solve for **stage velocities** ( $i = 1, \dots, s$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{M}^s \mathbf{k}_{n,i}^s &= \Delta t_n \mathbf{r}^s(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^s; \tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i}) \\ \mathbf{M}^f \mathbf{k}_{n,i}^f &= \Delta t_n \mathbf{r}^f(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^f; \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^s)) \\ \mathbf{M}^s \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{n,i}^s &= \Delta t_n \mathbf{r}^{sf}(\mathbf{t}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^f) - \tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i})\end{aligned}$$

- Update state solution at new time

$$\mathbf{u}_n^f = \mathbf{u}_{n-1}^f + \sum_{j=1}^s b_j \mathbf{k}_{n,j}^f, \quad \mathbf{u}_n^s = \mathbf{u}_{n-1}^s + \sum_{j=1}^s b_j \mathbf{k}_{n,j}^s + \sum_{j=1}^s \hat{b}_j \hat{\mathbf{k}}_{n,j}^s$$


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# Adjoint equations for high-order partitioned IMEX FSI solver

- Define

$$\mathbf{r}_{n,i}^f = \mathbf{r}^f(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^f; \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^s)) \quad \mathbf{r}_{n,i}^s = \mathbf{r}^s(\mathbf{u}_{n,i}^s; \tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i})$$

- Final condition for state Lagrange multipliers ( $F$  is quantity of interest)

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{N_t}^f = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}^f}^T, \quad \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{N_t}^s = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{N_t}^s}^T$$

- Solve for stage Lagrange multipliers ( $j = s, \dots, 1$ )

- Explicit structure stage

$$\mathbf{M}^{sT} \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,j}^s = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,j}^s}^T + \hat{b}_j \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^s + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j+1}^s \hat{a}_{ij} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{n,i}^f}{\partial \mathbf{u}^s}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^f + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j+1}^s \hat{a}_{ij} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{n,i}^s}{\partial \mathbf{u}^s}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^s$$

- Implicit fluid stage

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}^{fT} \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,j}^f &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,j}^f}^T + b_j \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^f + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j}^s a_{ij} \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_{n,i}^f}{\partial \mathbf{u}^f}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^f + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j+1}^s a_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{u}^f}^T \mathbf{r}^{sfT} \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^s \\ &\quad - \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j}^s a_{ij} \frac{\partial \mathbf{t}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{u}^f}^T \mathbf{r}^{sfT} \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,i}^s + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=j+1}^s a_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathbf{t}}_{n,i}}{\partial \mathbf{u}^f}^T \mathbf{r}^{sfT} \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,i}^s \end{aligned}$$

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# Adjoint equations for high-order partitioned IMEX FSI solver

- Update state Lagrange multipliers at new time

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{n-1}^f &= \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^f + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_{n-1}^f}^T + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^f}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^f}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^f + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial \tilde{\boldsymbol{t}}_{n,i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^f}^T \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^{sf T} \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^s \\ &\quad + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \left[ \frac{\partial \tilde{\boldsymbol{t}}_{n,i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^f} - \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{t}_{n,i}}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^f} \right]^T \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^{sf T} \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,i}^s \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{n-1}^s &= \boldsymbol{\lambda}_n^s + \frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}_{n-1}^s}^T + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^f}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^s}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^f + \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^s}{\partial \boldsymbol{u}^s}^T \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^s\end{aligned}$$

- Reconstruct total derivative of quantity of interest  $F$  as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dF}{d\boldsymbol{\mu}} &= \frac{\partial F}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0^f{}^T \frac{\partial \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}^f}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0^s{}^T \frac{\partial \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}^s}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} - \sum_{n=0}^{N_t} \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^f{}^T \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^f}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} \\ &\quad - \sum_{n=0}^{N_t} \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \boldsymbol{\kappa}_{n,i}^s{}^T \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^s}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}} - \sum_{n=0}^{N_t} \Delta t_n \sum_{i=1}^s \hat{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}_{n,i}^{s,T} \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{r}_{n,i}^{sf}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\mu}}\end{aligned}$$

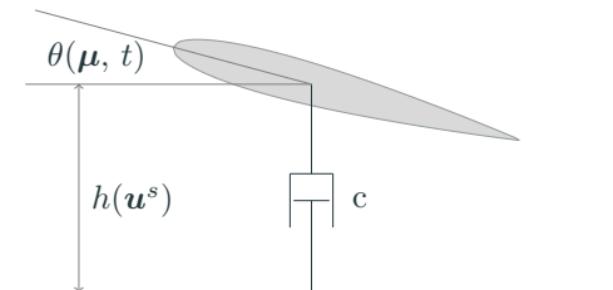


# Optimal energy harvesting from foil-damper system

**Goal:** Maximize energy harvested from foil-damper system

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{\mu}}{\text{maximize}} \quad \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (c h^2(\mathbf{u}^s) - M_z(\mathbf{u}^f) \dot{\theta}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, t)) dt$$

- Fluid: Isentropic Navier-Stokes on deforming domain (ALE)
- Structure: Force balance in  $y$ -direction between foil and damper
- Motion driven by *imposed*  $\theta(\boldsymbol{\mu}, t) = \mu_1 \cos(2\pi ft)$ ;  $\mu_1 \in (-45^\circ, 45^\circ)$



$$\mu_1^* = 45^\circ$$

# High-order methods for PDE-constrained optimization

- Developed **fully discrete adjoint method** for **high-order** numerical discretizations of PDEs and QoIs
- Used to compute **gradients** of QoI for use in gradient-based numerical optimization method
- Explicit enforcement of **time-periodicity constraints**
- Extension to **multiphysics** (fluid-structure interaction)
- Applications: optimal flapping flight and energy harvesting, data assimilation