

1a)

7 scales:  $c, b, t, \alpha, U_\infty, \nu, \rho$ - 3 units:  $M, L, T$ 

= 4 non-dimensional parameters:

 $b/c =$  wing aspect ratio $\alpha =$  wing angle of attack $t/c =$  thickness ratio $\frac{U_\infty c}{\nu} =$  chord Reynolds number

Other combinations are possible (ex.  $t/b, \frac{U_\infty b}{\nu}$ ), but these may not be relevant or useful.

1b) Non-dimensional variables:

$$\vec{x}^* = \vec{x}/c$$

$$\vec{U}^* = \vec{u}/U_\infty$$

$$p^* = P/\rho U_\infty^2$$

etc.

Continuity:

$$\nabla^* \cdot \vec{u}^* = 0$$

$$\text{where } \nabla^* = \hat{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^*} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^*} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z^*}$$

Momentum:

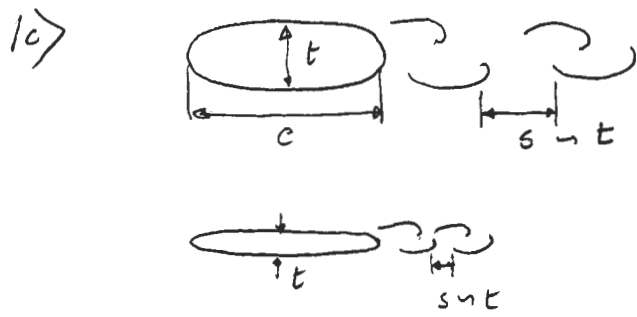
$$(\vec{u}^* \cdot \nabla^* \vec{u}^*) = -\nabla^* p^* + \frac{1}{Re} \nabla^{*2} \vec{u}^*$$

where

$$\nabla^{*2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^{*2}} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^{*2}} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^{*2}}$$

$$Re = \frac{U_\infty c}{\nu}$$

The other parameters  $b/c$ ,  $t/c$ ,  $\alpha$  would enter in boundary conditions, i.e. no-slip BC  $\vec{u}^* = 0$  on the wing surface (or slip  $\vec{u}^* \cdot \hat{n}_{wing} = 0$ ), and/or farfield.



streamwise spacing of shed vortices is most likely proportional to  $t$ . There may be some influence of  $c$  (chord)

The vortices move downstream at some speed proportional to  $U_\infty$ . The shedding frequency is proportional to

$$f \propto \frac{U}{s} \propto \frac{U}{t} \quad (\text{vortices/unit time})$$

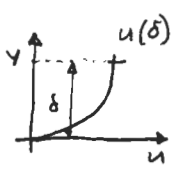
$$\rightarrow St = ft / U_\infty \quad (\text{Strouhal number})$$

This will depend mainly on  $t/c$  and somewhat on  $Re$ .

2a) The overall flow does not have any geometric length scale.  $l = \nu/U$  is the only length scale available to non-dimensionalize the problem. No non-dim. parameters such as  $c/l = U\nu/c = Re_c$  exist.

2b) The non-dimensional form  $\delta/l = f(x/L)$  gives the geometry  $\delta(x)$  of any Blasius boundary layer, since there are no other non-dimensional parameters in the problem.

$$\delta/l = C \sqrt{\frac{x}{L}} \quad \text{where } C \approx 5.0 \text{ for } u(\delta) \approx 0.99 U_\infty$$



3) X-momentum and continuity ...

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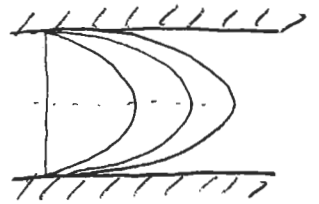
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$\therefore$  Steady state solution is:  $u(y) = \frac{-h^2}{8\mu} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \left( 1 - \left( \frac{2y}{h} \right)^2 \right)$

2a)  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$  changes very slowly: dominant balance:  $0 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$

$\Rightarrow$  velocity profile stays parabolic (quasi-steady)



2b)  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$  changes very quickly: dominant balance is

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \approx -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

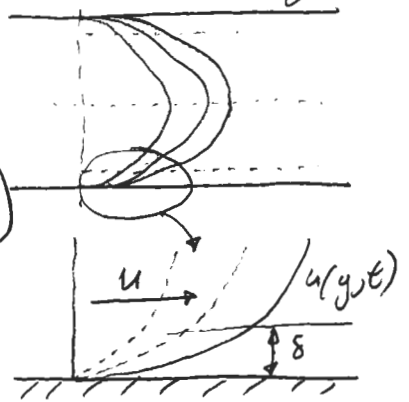
except near the wall, where  $\partial u / \partial t \rightarrow 0$ . This produces a uniform change in  $u(y)$  except near the wall. We can estimate the thickness of the boundary layer after some short time  $t$ :

Outside BL:  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} \approx -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \rightarrow u = \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left( -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \right)$

Order estimate inside BL:  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$

$$\frac{u}{t} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \cdot t \sim \nu \frac{u}{\delta^2}$$

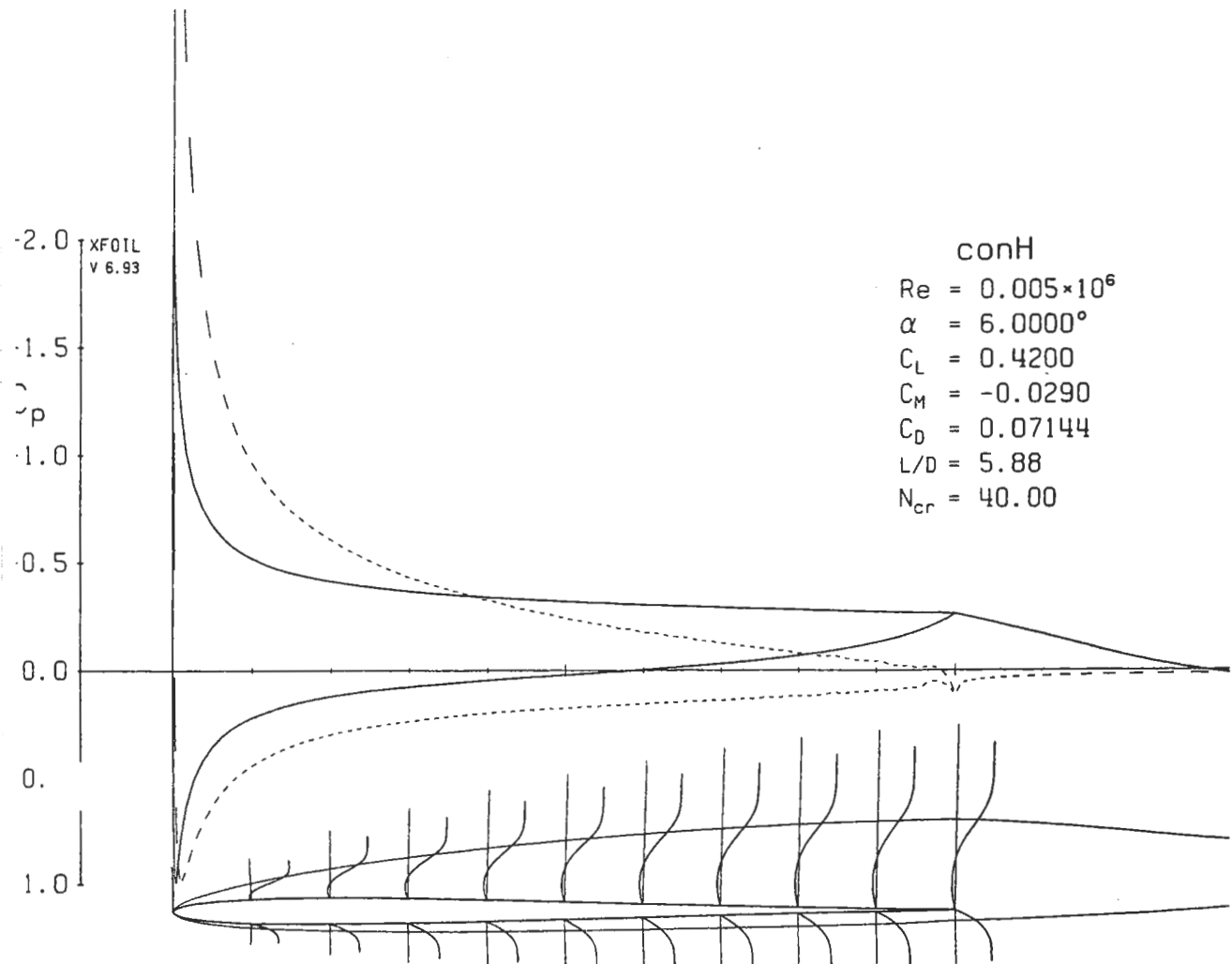
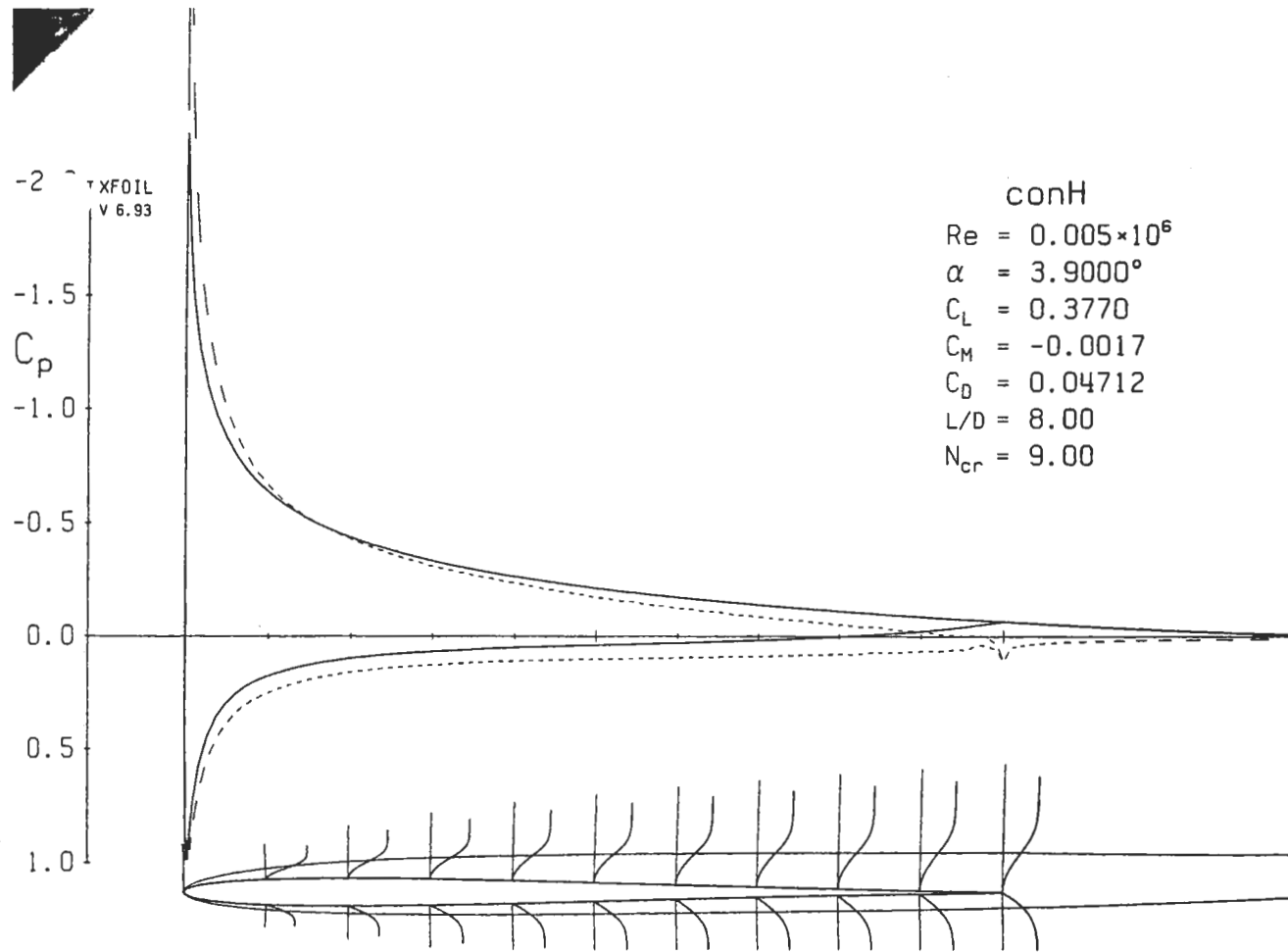
$$\rightarrow \delta = O(\sqrt{\nu t}) \rightarrow \text{same as Rayleigh problem}$$



2c) Change over from slow to fast is when  $\delta = O(h)$ , i.e. the time it takes for the boundary layer to fill up the channel so that  $u(y)$  is parabolic. At the centerline:  $u = \frac{-h^2}{8\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \approx \frac{1}{2} t^2 \left( -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \right) \rightarrow t^2 \approx \frac{h^2}{4\nu} \frac{\partial p / \partial x}{\partial t (\partial p / \partial x)}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \approx \frac{\nu}{4h^2} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \text{ since } t^2 \approx \frac{h^2}{\nu^2}$$

or,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \approx 2 \left( \frac{\mu^2}{\rho} \frac{u_{\text{center}}}{h^4} \right) \Rightarrow u$  at the centerline roughly doubles at  $t$  change over.



$$1a) C_p = \frac{p - p_{\infty}}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2}, \quad p + \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 = p_{\infty} + \frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2 \rightarrow C_p = 1 - \left(\frac{v_c}{U_{\infty}}\right)^2$$

$$\text{Given } (v_c/U_{\infty}) \approx (x/c)^{\pm 2a} \Rightarrow C_p = 1 - (x/c)^{\pm 2a}$$

$$C_L = \frac{L}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2 c} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2 c} \int_0^l (p_L - p_w) dx = \int_0^1 (C_{pL} - C_{pw}) d(x/c) = \frac{1}{1-2a} - \frac{1}{1+2a} = \frac{4a}{1-4a}$$

1b) Max.  $C_L$  will occur when upper surface is at separation, which corresponds to  $a = 0.0904 \rightarrow C_L = 0.374$ . This is independent of  $Re$ , since laminar separation is independent of Reynolds number.

$$1c) \frac{\theta(x)}{c} = \theta_1 \sqrt{\frac{2x}{U_{\infty} c}} = \frac{\theta_1}{\sqrt{Re_c}} \left(\frac{x}{c}\right)^{(1-m)/2}$$

Top Surf:  $m = -0.0904, \theta_1 = 0.868$   
Bot Surf:  $m = +0.0904, \theta_1 = 0.567$

$$C_f(x) = 2 \sqrt{\frac{\nu}{U_{\infty} x}} \cdot f_0'' = 2 f_0'' \frac{1}{\sqrt{Re_c}} \left(\frac{x}{c}\right)^{-(1+m)/2}$$

Top Surf:  $m = -0.0904, f_0'' = 0$   
Bot Surf:  $m = 0.0904, f_0'' = 0.48$

$$C_{D, \text{friction}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2 c} \int_0^c (\tau_w^u + \tau_w^l) dx = 2 f_0'' \frac{1}{\sqrt{Re_c}} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x}{c}\right)^{2a - (1+m)/2} dx = \frac{1.51}{\sqrt{Re_c}}$$

$$= \int_0^1 C_{fL} \left(\frac{v_c}{U_{\infty}}\right)^2 d(x/c)$$

$$C_{D, \text{PROF}} = C_{D, \text{FRIC}} + C_{D, \text{PRESSURE}} = \frac{\rho U_{\infty}^2 \theta}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U_{\infty}^2 c} \Big|_{\text{trailing edge}} = 2 \left[ \left(\frac{\theta}{c}\right)_u + \left(\frac{\theta}{c}\right)_l \right]_{\text{trailing edge}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{Re_c}} [0.868 + 0.567] = \frac{2.87}{\sqrt{Re_c}}$$

For  $Re_c = 5000$ ,  $C_{D, \text{FRIC}} = 0.0213$ ,  $C_L/C_{D, \text{F}}$  = 17.5 (friction only)

$C_{D, \text{PROFILE}} = 0.0406$ ,  $C_L/C_D = 9.2$  (with pressure)

$C_L/C_D \propto \sqrt{Re_c}$ . Larger insects have an advantage.

2) We know that (from Falkner-Skan)  $\Delta = \sqrt{2x/U_0} = \text{const.} \cdot x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}}$  can produce similarity

Test if  $\Delta \sim x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}}$  holds for candidate definitions

2a)  $\tau_w = \frac{\rho \mu U_0}{x} \cdot S_0 = \text{const.} \cdot x^{\beta_w + \beta_w - 1} = \text{const.} \cdot x^{\frac{3\beta_w - 1}{2}}$

$\therefore \frac{\mu U_0}{\tau_w} \sim x^{\beta_w} \cdot x^{\frac{1-3\beta_w}{2}} \sim x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}} \Rightarrow$  can produce similarity

2b)  $\delta^* = \delta_1^* \sqrt{\frac{2x}{U_0}} \sim x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}} \Rightarrow$  can produce similarity

2c)  $\theta + \delta^* = (\theta_1 + \delta_1^*) \sqrt{\frac{2x}{U_0}} \sim x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}} \Rightarrow$  can produce similarity

2d) From Falkner-Skan solution

$$\eta_{99} = \frac{\delta_{99}}{\sqrt{2x/U_0}}$$

$\therefore$  for any given  $\beta_w$

$$\delta_{99} = \eta_{99} \sqrt{\frac{2x}{U_0}} \sim x^{\frac{1-\beta_w}{2}} \Rightarrow \text{can produce similarity}$$

Any quantity which  $O\left(\sqrt{\frac{2x}{U_0}}\right)$  can also serve as a  $\Delta$  definition