





LES and RANS/DERM Modeling for Design Optimization of Additively and Conventionally Manufactured Internal Turbine Cooling Passages

Year 1 Research Progress

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- Metal AM enabling gas turbine design exploration of cooling schemes not currently manufacturable
- Potential transformational gains in turbine operating temperature and durability
- To harness opportunity need to mature thermal design tools
 - Accommodate the very complex "roughness field" that invariably characterizes these engineered flow passages
 - Conventional roughness modeling for CFD predictions of flow field/convective heat transfer are inadequate







- Accordingly, this project develops Discrete Element Roughness Modeling (DERM), in the context of Large Eddy Simulation (LES) and Reynolds Averaged Navier-Stokes (RANS) methods
 - Necessary and sufficient for mechanistic predictions of additively manufactured turbine cooling scheme configurations
 - DERM also represents a viable design approach for conventionally manufactured internal blade cooling features







- Advance CFD methods for accuracy and run time requirements for design and optimization relevant to additively and conventionally manufactured turbine cooling scheme configurations
 - Discrete Element Roughness Modeling (DERM) mechanistic-based model for roughness predictions
 - Context of Large Eddy Simulation (LES) and Reynolds Averaged Navier-Stokes (RANS) methods
- Synthesis of state-of-the technology:
 - CFD modeling (DNS/LES/RANS) and optimization
 - Powdered metal additive manufacturing
 - Multiscale 3D scanning and attendant roughness field characterization
 - Flow/heat transfer measurements







- Deliver to turbine blade design community a sufficiently physics rich and validated model set for design of blade cooling passages characterized by roughness morphology and tolerancing inherent to L-PBF manufacturing of these blades.
 - Straightforwardly implemented within current OEM CFD-based turbine design practice.
 - 3D.: far more general in breadth of applicability than Q1D







Overview of Technical Approach









Technical Approach

- Task 1 Engine scale cooling passage manufacture, scan, and testing
- Task 2 Advancement, validation, application of DERM
 - 3D volume fraction statistical field representations of PBF roughness fields
 - Shape parameterizations and scale synthesis
 - Interfacial momentum and heat transfer models, using DNS and LES of measured and synthesized roughness
 - Calibrate and validate DERM model for representative turbine cooling passage configurations using engine scale data and using up-scaled data
- Task 3 Up-scale flow/heat transfer experimental measurements
- Task 4 Development and application and experimental validatation of optimization methodology in context of DERM







- L-PBF creation of engine scale coupon with straight passages and characterize with CT
- CAD model of the AM surface with geometric imperfections removed:
 - Extract only bottom channel surface (upskin) here
 - Stream-wise and spanwise variations in the point cloud that are at length scales much larger than individual roughness elements)
 - 2D, self-organizing-map with Z-axis regression (2D-SOM-ZR) approach of McClain Upscale (100x) with 3D printing for C_f and hot film anemometry
 - Upscale surrogate surfaces which replicate statistics and hydraulic characteristics of the original AM surface (Clemenson)
- Total of 4 configurations: 1 engine scale, 3 upscale







- Engine scale coupon (Realx102)
 - CT to 4 μm (sacrificial coupon same build parameters as tested in START small scale rig
 - 2D-SOM-ZR for long wavelength variation removal











- Surrogate surfaces based on icing work by McClain and his team:
 - 1. Analog surface must be multi-spectral
 - Generate a random pattern of selected roughness elements that is then scaled to match rootmean-square roughness height, R_q
 - 2. The primary shear and convective enhancements are caused by vortex shedding from the individual roughness elements and the interaction of the vortices with the next downstream roughness elements
 - Match the dominant wavelength in the stream-wise autocorrelation between the original and analog surface















Statistical and relative characteristics of the surfaces investigated

Metric	Real_x102	Ellipsoid Analog	Elliptical Cone Analog
<i>R_a</i> (mm)	1.887	2.075	1.214
<i>R_q</i> (mm)	2.436	2.419	1.504
k _{s,F-S} (mm)	6.933	7.045	6.965
k _{s,St} (mm)	30.85	34.24	18.73
λ _x (mm)	32.9	32.9	33.7
Skw	-0.276	-0.264	0.033









Streamwise autocorrelation results look pretty good for both surrogate surfaces

Spanwise autocorrelation results look not as good for both surrogate surfaces In both cases evidence of

striations inherent in the PBF build are evident







Roughness Internal Flow Tunnel (RIFT)









- 6:1 aspect ratio (> 2.2:1 for as built)
- Tests with roughness panels on one side and both sides
- Δp at 4 axial locations, 9" apart in test section
- Hot film for velocity profiles
- PIV coming soon
- q" coming soon









Experiemntal results follow in a few slides – present CFD method here first so results can be presented together







Year 1 Activities and Progress CFD modeling: DNS

- Computational platform for DNS, LES and DERM: NPHASE-PSU
 - Segregated pressure based finite volume scheme
 - Fully unstructured
 - DNS 4th order central for advection, viscous and ∇p
 - Structured meshes
 - Extended stencils for high order
 - Demonstrated scalability to 3000 cores:
 - Re_{τ} appropriate for turbine cooling passages quite feasible in 2018
 - Smooth wall statistics in a few days on $\cong 1000$ cores for $\text{Re}_{\tau} \cong 500$

Computational platform for RANS: OVERREL, STAR-CCM, NPHASE-PSU







Year 1 Activities and Progress CFD modeling: RANS

- Explicit resolution of roughness with RANS
- In-house 2nd/3rd order FV code (OVERREL)
- 53,000,000 cells → sublayer resolved
- Spalart-Allmaras turbulence model
- Steady state analysis
- CFD for all 7 experimentally studied cases:

1: Smooth walls

2-4: 1-sided roughness: Xeal_X102, Ellipsoid
Analog, Elliptical cone analog
5-7: 2-sided roughness: Xeal_X102, Ellipsoid
Analog, Elliptical cone analog











Year 1 Activities and Progress

Summary of friction factor measurements and CFD predictions









Year 1 Activities and Progress

Equivalent sand-grain roughness height computed from the friction factor at the highest Reynolds number of each double-sided run case

	Real_x102 DS	Ellipsoid Analog DS	Elliptical Cone Analog DS	
k _{sF_} (mm)	6.933	7.045	6.965	
$k_{s,St}$ (mm)	30.85	34.24	18.73	
k _{s,measured} (mm)	25.06	16.80	17.37	
k _{s,OVER-REL} (mm)	25.93	30.28	20.79	







Year 1 Activities and Progress

Velocity profiles for the smooth-walled and single- and double-sided Real_x102 flow cases over a range of Reynolds numbers expressed in inner variables. Symbols: measurements. Curves: CFD









Year 1 Activities and Progress CFD modeling: DNS

• Baseline smooth wall validation, $Re_{\tau} = 185$









Year 1 Activities and Progress CFD modeling: DNS

Baseline rough wall studies



Spanwise ribs









Year 1 Activities and Progress DERM model development

- Computational platform for DERM: NPHASE-PSU
 - Full-two fluid formulation
 - Accommodate multiphase data-structures and interfacial momentum and heat transfer
 - Each "field" is represented by a given component of the synthesized roughness morphology, e.g.,
 - Field 1: ellipsoids a/b=1.2, surface penetration, surface density, orientation parameters
 - Field 2→n: shape variations
 - Field n+1→m: striation, feathering and wave structures associated with down-skin vs. up-skin build









Year 1 Activities and Progress DERM model development

Double-Averaged Conservation Equations for a Ne	wtonian Fluid
$rac{\partial ho}{\partial t} + rac{\partial ho u_i}{\partial x_i} = -rac{1}{eta} ho u_i rac{\partial eta}{\partial x_i}$	Mass Conservation
$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left(\rho u_{i}\right)+\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{j}}\left(\rho u_{i}u_{j}+P\delta_{ij}+\frac{2}{3}\delta_{ij}\rho k-2\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)S_{ij}+\frac{2}{3}\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)S_{ij}+\frac$	$\left(\frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \delta_{ij} \right)$
$= \frac{1}{\beta} f_i^p - \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\rho u_i u_j + P \delta_{ij} + \frac{2}{3} \delta_{ij} \rho k \right)$	
$-2\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)S_{ij}+\frac{2}{3}\delta_{ij}\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)\frac{\partial u_{k}}{\partial x_{k}}\Bigg)\frac{\partial\beta}{\partial x_{j}}$	Momentum Conservation
$\frac{\partial \rho e_0}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\rho u_j h + \left(\mu + \frac{\mu}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} - \left(\frac{c_p \mu}{Pr} + \frac{c_p \mu_t}{Pr_t} \right) \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} \right)$	
$-2u_i\left(\mu+\mu_t\right)S_{ij}+\frac{2}{3}\left(\mu+\mu_t\right)u_j\frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k}+\frac{2}{3}u_j\rho k\bigg)$	
$= \frac{1}{\beta} f_i^p u_i + \frac{1}{\beta} f^q - \frac{1}{\beta} \left(\rho u_j h + \left(\mu + \frac{\mu}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} - \left(\frac{c_p \mu}{Pr} + \frac{\mu}{\sigma_k} \right) \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right)$	$-\frac{c_p\mu_t}{Pr_t}\Big)\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j}$
$-2u_{i}\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)S_{ij}+\frac{2}{3}\left(\mu+\mu_{t}\right)u_{j}\frac{\partial u_{k}}{\partial x_{k}}+\frac{2}{3}u_{j}\rho k\Bigg)\frac{\partial\beta}{\partial x_{j}}$	
	Energy Conservation

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$\beta = Void$	fraction
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$\int_{\Omega} f_i^p = \delta \mathbf{F} = -\mathbf{u} \frac{2\mu}{\pi d^2} \beta$	$\beta (1 - \beta) \operatorname{Re}_d C_d \operatorname{vol}(\Omega)$
$\int_{\Omega} f^{q} = \delta Q = 4 \frac{k_{f}}{d^{2}} N u_{d}$	$\beta (1 - \beta) (T_r - T_f) \operatorname{vol} (\Omega)$
$\operatorname{Re}_{d} = \frac{\rho d u }{\mu}$ Rou	ghness Reynolds nber
$C_d = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{Re_d}{1000}\right)^{-0.125} \\ 0.6 \end{cases}$	if $Re_d \leq 60000$ otherwise
$Nu_d = \begin{cases} 1.7 Re_d^{0.49} Pr^{0.4} \\ 0.0605 Re_d^{0.84} \\ \end{cases}$	⁴ if $Re_d \le 13776$ $Pr^{0.4}$ otherwise







Year 1 Activities and Progress DERM model development

Legacy capability of DERM has been demonstrated for icing









DERM model development

- Technology elements:
 - Rich shape families to characterize roughness (vs. cones, hemispheres)
 - Mathematically formal 3D averaging procedure consistent with modern Eulerian multiphase flow modeling (vs. 2D slices)
 - Drag model, viscous dissipation and turbulence attenuation/amplification are key we do not have dispersion, virtual mass, surface tension, etc...
 - Heat transfer is as important as friction!
 - Shear and heat flux apportionment
 - Significant departure from equilibrium TBL
 - Resolution of sublayer and buffer layer







Students

- PSU PhD student Sam Altland started 6/18
- GE Cost share he spent summer 18 at GE Global Research as an intern working on working on flow testing (∆p and q") for additively manufactured turbine-relevant specimens
- Research role in project:
 - Model development/calibration/validation/application
 - DNS
 - DERM
 - Optimization
 - Engine scale coupon testing (Δp and St)
 - GE
 - PSU
 - Possible activity in part manufacture and CT/OP/SEM







Students

- Baylor MS student Emily Cinnamon
- Baylor cost shared
- Research role in project:
 - Design, validation and implementation of the convection measurement version of the Roughness Internal Flow Tunnel (RIFT)







Personnel

- Leslie Wright left Baylor in Spring and has left the project
- Mike Kinzel left Penn State ARL in Summer and remains involved pro-bono on the DERM modeling





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Publications

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FLOW IN A SCALED TURBINE COOLANT CHANNEL WITH ROUGHNESS DUE TO ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING

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ABSTRACT

Additive manufacturing (AM) approaches such as Laser Powder Bed Fusion (L-PBF) are being explored to reduce manufacturing costs of gas turbine components. Surfaces of additively manufactured components exhibit distinctive roughness characteristics that significantly affect the pressure losses and heat transfer. For this study, a coupon with a vertical internal flow passage was created using L-PBF and characterized using x-ray tomography. The roughness pattern was extracted using the spanwise-planar extraction approach. Also, two surfaces consisting of distribution of ellipsoids were created to capture the important statistical characteristics of the original rough surface. The resulting roughness geometries were scaled Karen A. Thole The Pennsylvania State University State College, PA, USA

passages for gas turbines can be designed and optimized in ways not possible with cored-casting approaches.

AM offers significant design advantages but also presents unique challenges for engine-scale cooling channels. The most relevant AM approaches are laser powder bed fusion (L-PBF) approaches. The process creates surface roughness because of the layered-powder structure that differs depending on the material, build parameters, and the orientation of the surface during the manufacturing process.

The roughness inherent to L-PBF cooling channels is especially important to the resulting pressure-loss and heat transfer because of its large size in relation to the channel dimensions. The equivalent sand-grain roughness height for an







Publications

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Abstract

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Summary

- Elements of project:
 - **1**. Up scaling of manufactured and tested L-PBF channels
 - **2.** 100x wind tunnel testing: $\Delta p/C_f$ and velocity profiles for 7 configurations
 - **3**. Fully resolved roughness RANS large calculations

Generally, engine scale, up-scale and RANS agree fairly well, abeit most robustly with real geometry. Not so great for surrogate surfaces. But of course resolved RANS is infeasible for design.

- 4. DNS has been stood up in code and validated for these channels and roughness morphologies have been introduced.
- 5. DERM has been stood up in code runs 100s of times as fast as roughness resolved RANS.







Current/next steps

- Advancing DNS towards "as built" and surrogate roughness morphologies
- Heat transfer and PIV in Baylor channel
- DERM:
 - Start with ellipsoidal surrogate since this can be formulated i/t/o analytical volume fraction field
 - Develop more accurate and calibrated model for different built parameters/roughness morphologies
- Manufacture and study other more parts/build parameters
- Optimization work not yet begun but will once we have a reliable DERM tool in hand







BACKUP







As-built AM surfaces have high levels of roughness with different characteristics

Upskin Surface



Partially melted powder particles and layer striations

Corner of Downskin and Upskin Surface



Large dross formations and high level of partially melted powder particles







An industrial CT scanner is used to characterize the geometry of each coupon

v|tome|x m **VG Studio** Surface determination **CT Scanner** Voxel size: 23-32 μ m accuracy: ± 2-3 μ m **Light Microscope CT** Scan 500µm







CT scans of cylindrical channels









SCHEDULE

	PHASE I					PHASE II						
	2018			2019			2020					
Tasking	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Task 1.0 - Engine scale part manufacture, scan, and bulk testing					٨						١	
Subtask 1.1 - Design and manufacture of engine scale parts					1		2				3	
Subtask 1.2 - Engine scale flow/heat transfer testing of parts												
Subtask 1.3 - CT scanning of parts												
Subtask 1.4 - OP scanning of parts												
Subtask 1.5 - Multi-scale roughness model												
Task 2.0 - Advancement, validation, application of DERM			٨								٨	1
Subtask 2.1- Development of new DERM based CFD model			1			2	3				4	
Subtask 2.1.1 - Shape parameterizations												
Subtask 2.1.2 - 3D volume fraction field representations												
Subtask 2.1.3 - Interfacial momentum and heat transfer models												
Subtask 2.1.4 - Laminar, LES, DERM hierarchy of roughness models												
Subtask 2.2 - DERM validation for progam engine scale data												
Subtask 2.3 - DERM validation for progam up-scale data												
Subtask 2.4 - DNS of selected configurations												
Task 3.0 - Up-scale flow/heat transfer measurements					٨							
Subtask 3.1 - Test planning and facility prep at Baylor					1		2				1	3
Subtask 3.2 - Manufacture test hardware for parts												
Subtask 3.3 - Test execution, data reduction and reporting												
Task 4.0 - Optimization									٨			1
Subtask 4.1 - Develop adjoint formulation for DERM									1			2
Subtask 4.2 - Optimization studies for two parts												
Subtask 4.3 - Demonstrate gains achieved experimentally in PSU rig*												
Task 5.0 - Project Management and Planning												
Subtask 5.1 - Ongoing maintenance of PMP							1					
Subtask 5.2 - Organize and execute team videocoms												
Subtask 5.3 - Project website/data repository												
Subtask 5.4 - Student internship at GE												

*Note per discussion in "Technical Background and Detailed Technical Approach" that Task 4.3 will be carried out only if resources become available through successful attempts to do multiple PBF part builds at once (i.e., enabling a total of 5 parts in 4 builds)







budget

• DOE+Cost Share

Organization	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
PSU	170,280	146,869	151,081	468,230
Baylor University	71,354	67,964	68,798	208,116
GE		37,197	37,197	74,394
Total	\$241,634	\$252,030	\$257,076	750,740

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Total

• Cost share: \$11,900 \$48,747 \$90,093 \$150,740







Arithmetic mean roughness

$$R_{a} = \left[\frac{1}{N_{P}}\sum_{i=1}^{N_{P}}|Y'|\right]$$

Statistical and relative characteristics of the surfaces investigated

root-mean-square roughness height $R_q = \left[\frac{1}{N_P}\sum_{i=1}^{N_P} ({Y'}^2)\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Flack-Shulz eq sand height roughness

Stimpson eq sand height roughness

Streamwise autocorrelation

skewness, $Skw = \frac{1}{R_q^3} \left[\frac{1}{N_P} \sum_{i=1}^{N_P} (Y'^3) \right]$

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Surface Modeling

- Use CT or optical profilometry scans to generate unwrapped roughness
- Create surface panels with
 - Original real roughness mapped to wall
 - Analog/proxy surfaces using statistical and auto-correlation analyses









Roughness Scaling

- SLM R_a ~ 8-16μm from Snyder et al.
 (2015)
- $R_q \simeq 20 \mu m$ based on R_a
- Peak-Valley (R_{PV}) on order of 5-6 times R_q
- Hydraulic diameters ranging from 0.38 mm to 3.18 mm
- R_{PV}/D_h ranging from 4% to 25%
- Mid-range in image to right (14%) using semi-deterministic distribution









Perspective in Channel













Baylor upscale activity: Channel HT and Fluid Diagnostics

- Flow diagnostics with V3V system from TSI
 - Particle tracking mode (5cm by 5cm by 2cm volume)
 - Hot-wire measurements will be a backup
 - Static pressure gradient measured (skin friction on rough wall measured using historical Schlichting (1936) approach as modified by Coleman et al. (1983)
- Heat transfer using infrared thermometry in steady state
 - FLIR SC4000 with 25-mm lens
 - Plate heated using gold thin-film heaters or Kapton heaters
- Roughness panels printed using Dimension 1200es FDM







GE specification of test hardware configurations

- GE Priorities:
 - **1**. Straight channels
 - 2. Nominally circle, ellipse, square cross sections
 - **3.** 15-130 mil nominal diameters (\cong 0.4-3.0 mm)
 - 4. Re up to 30,000
 - 5. Build direction parameterization
 - 6. Powder choice parameterization







GE specification of test hardware configurations

- PSU team can handle this range:
 - PBF build
 - CT (including micro-CT [3um resolution])
 - OP
 - Maybe SEM (budget/calendar)
 - Definitely can handle all range in engine scale Δp , St rig
- Good news is that we have circular cross section data we can send to Baylor <u>now</u>







PSU inspection techniques to characterize dimensions and surface roughness

Industrial CT Scanning



Full 3D reconstruction of part with ~ 35µm resolution

Non-destructive measurements of internal dimensions

Preliminary non-destructive internal surface roughness measurements

Optical Profilometer



Quantitative line of sight images with < 1 μm resolution

Scanning Electron Microscope





Semi-quantitative 3D images of surface with << 1 µm resolution

Destructive measurements of internal surface roughness

Detailed inspection of surface morphology















- Upcoming facility upgrades for heat transfer measurements:
 - Impose steady state constant flux conditions using either gold thin film heaters or traditional Kapton resistive heaters. Flux meastrued by standard DC or AC electrical measurements and subtracting spanwise and sub-plate conduction losses. A FLIR infrared camera will be used for measuring average surface temperatures









Experiment reported in Mart, McClain, and Wright, 2003; "Turbulent Convection from Deterministic Roughness Distributions with Varying Thermal Conductivities." Journal of Turbomachinery





Fully-developed roughened pipe flow



Periodic inflow/ outflow