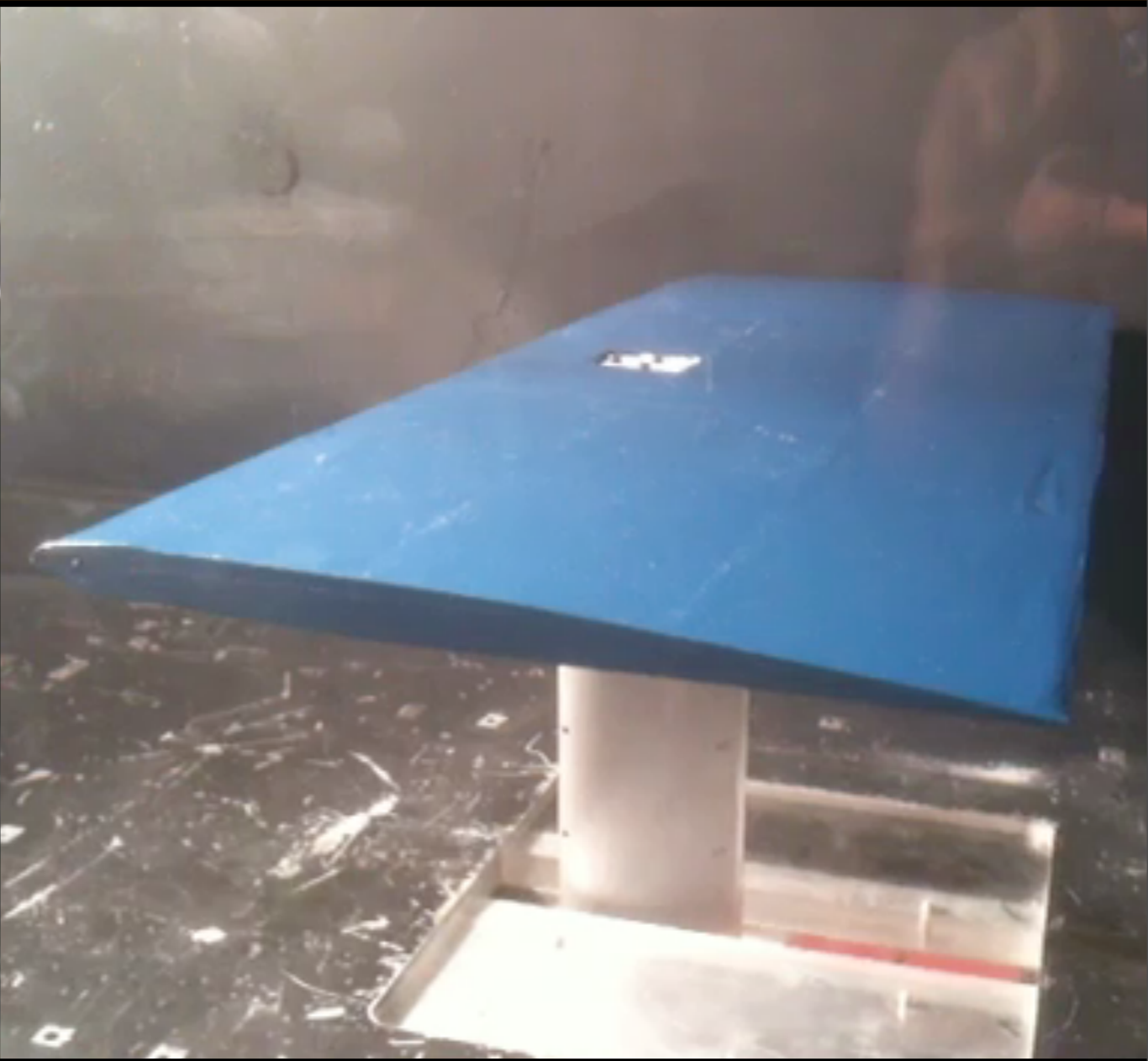
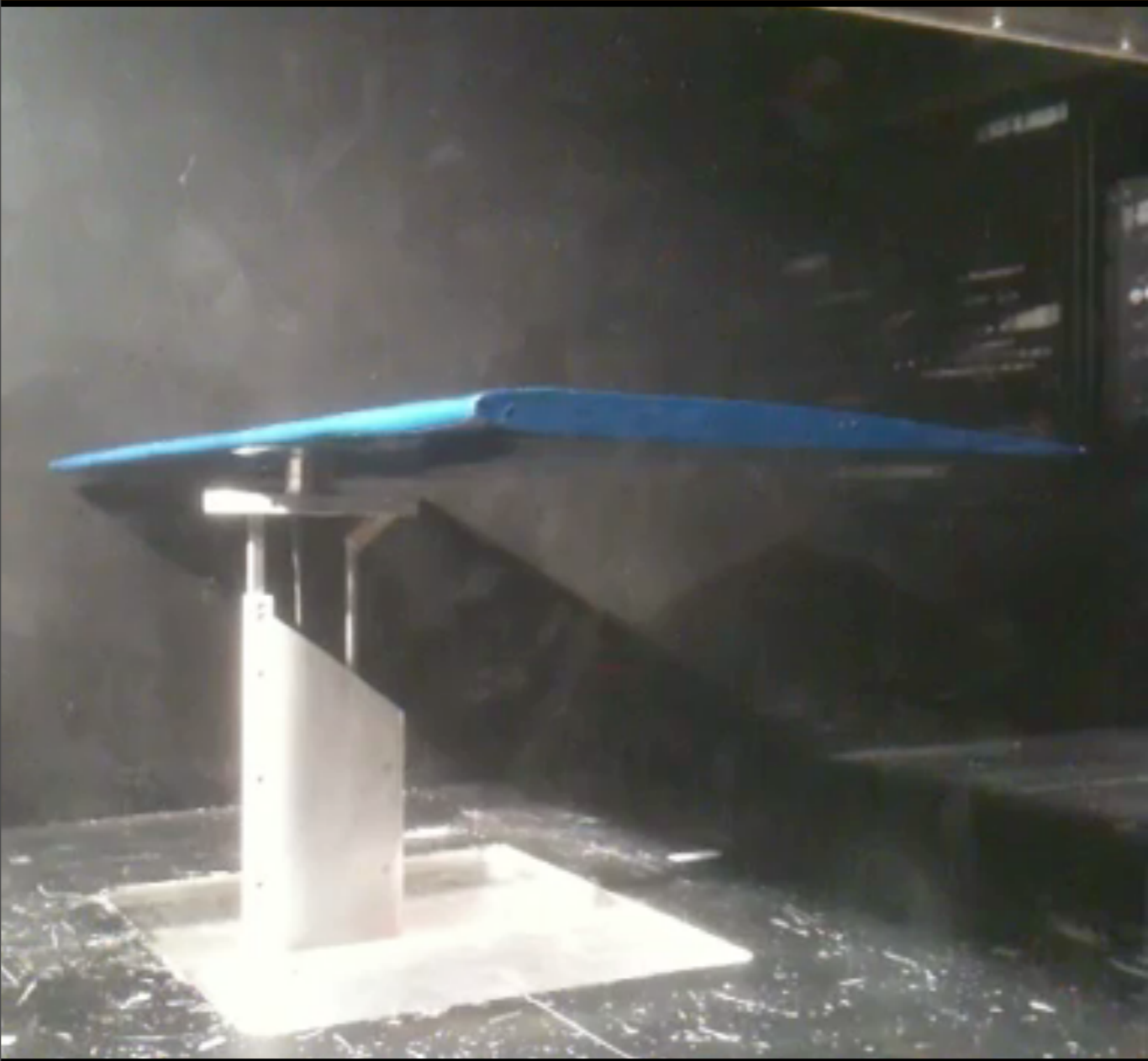


# Unsteady Aerodynamic Forces: Experiments, Simulations, and Models



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# Motivation



## Applications of Unsteady Models

**Conventional UAVs (performance/robustness)**

**Micro air vehicles (MAVs)**

**Flow control, flight dynamic control**

**Autopilots / Flight simulators**

**Gust disturbance mitigation**



**Predator (General Atomics)**

## Need for State-Space Models

**Need models suitable for control**

**Combining with flight models**



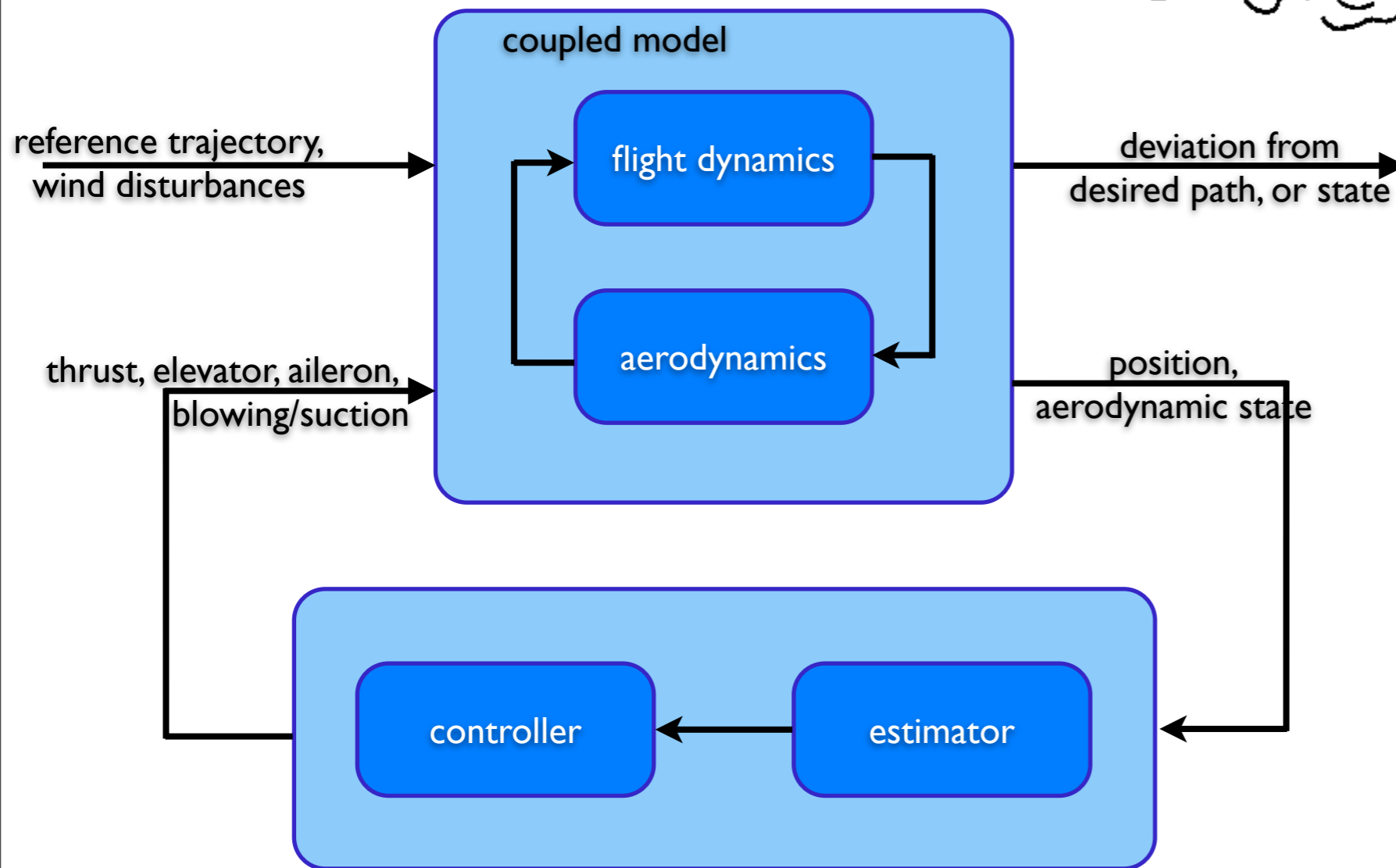
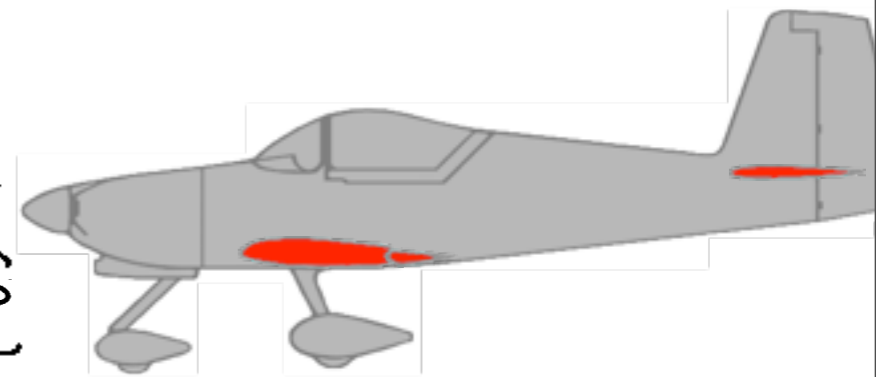
**Daedalus Dakota**

**FLYIT Simulators, Inc.**





# Flight Dynamic Control





# Stall velocity and size



Smaller, lower stall velocity



**RQ-1 Predator**  
**(27 m/s stall)**



**Daedalus Dakota**  
**(18m/s stall)**



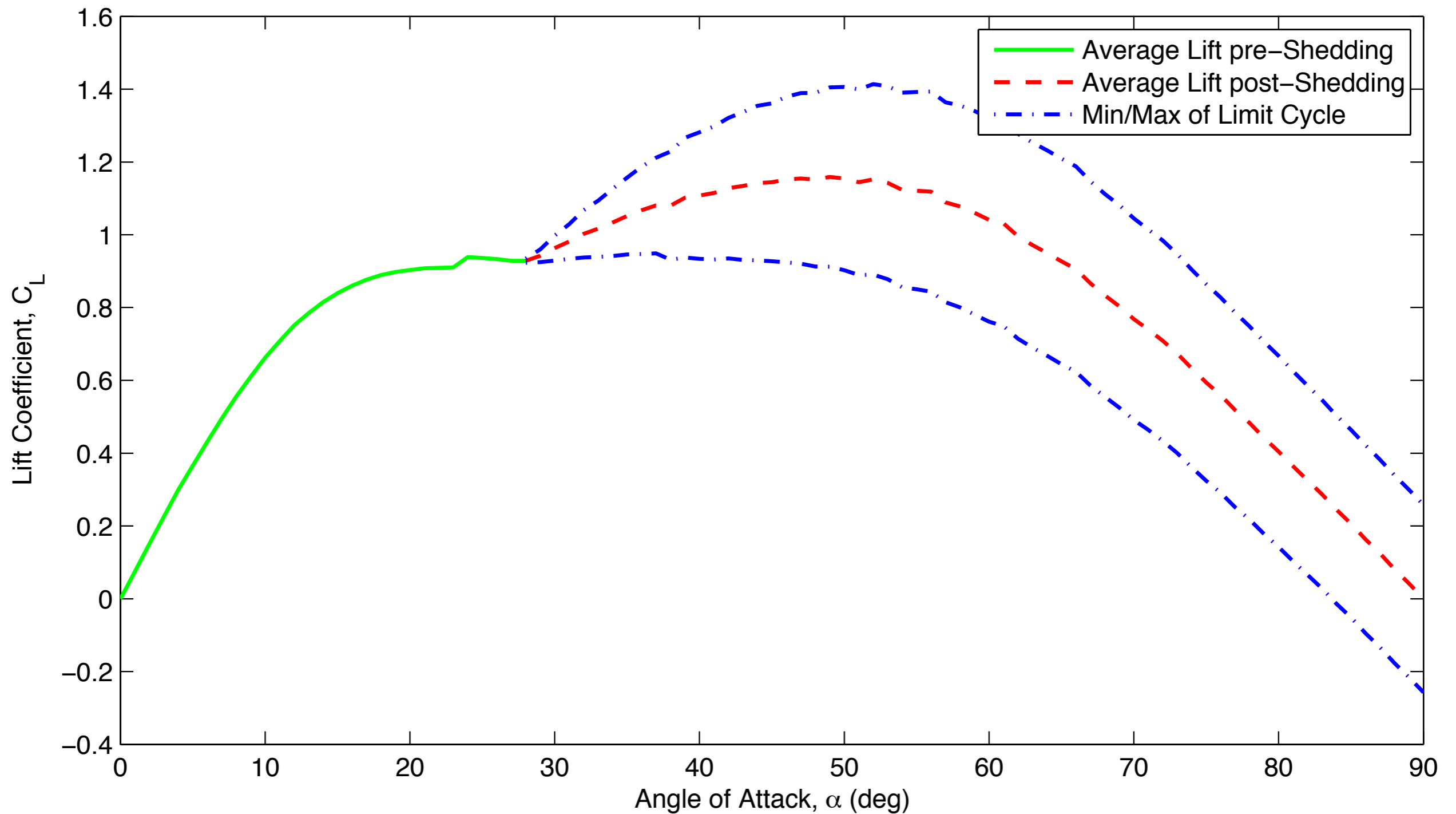
**Puma AE**  
**(10 m/s stall)**

$$V_{\text{stall}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\rho} (C_{L_{\text{max}}} S)^{-1} W}$$

$S$	Wing surface area
$W$	Aircraft weight
$L$	Lift force
$C_L$	Lift coefficient
$V$	Velocity of aircraft



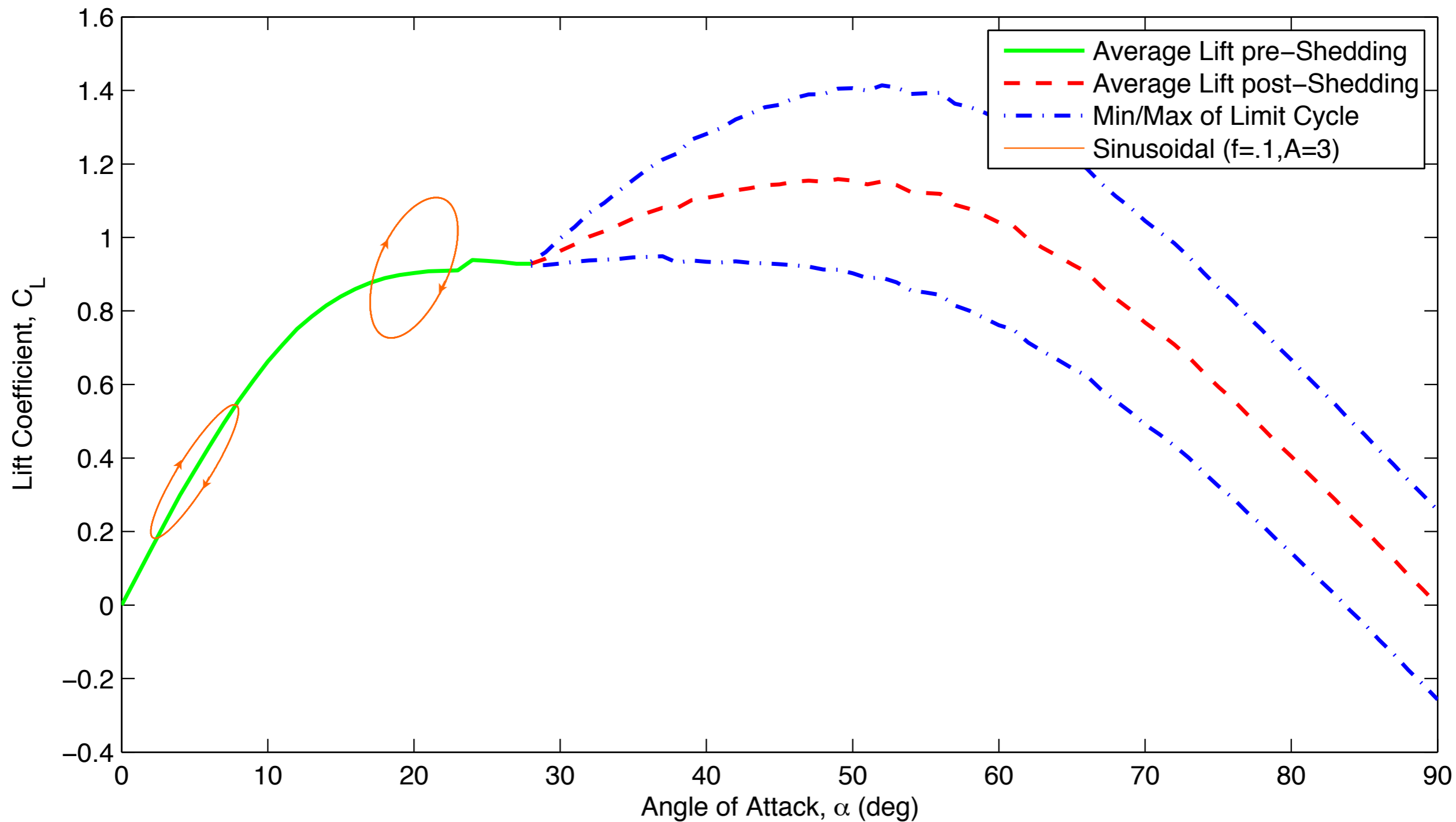
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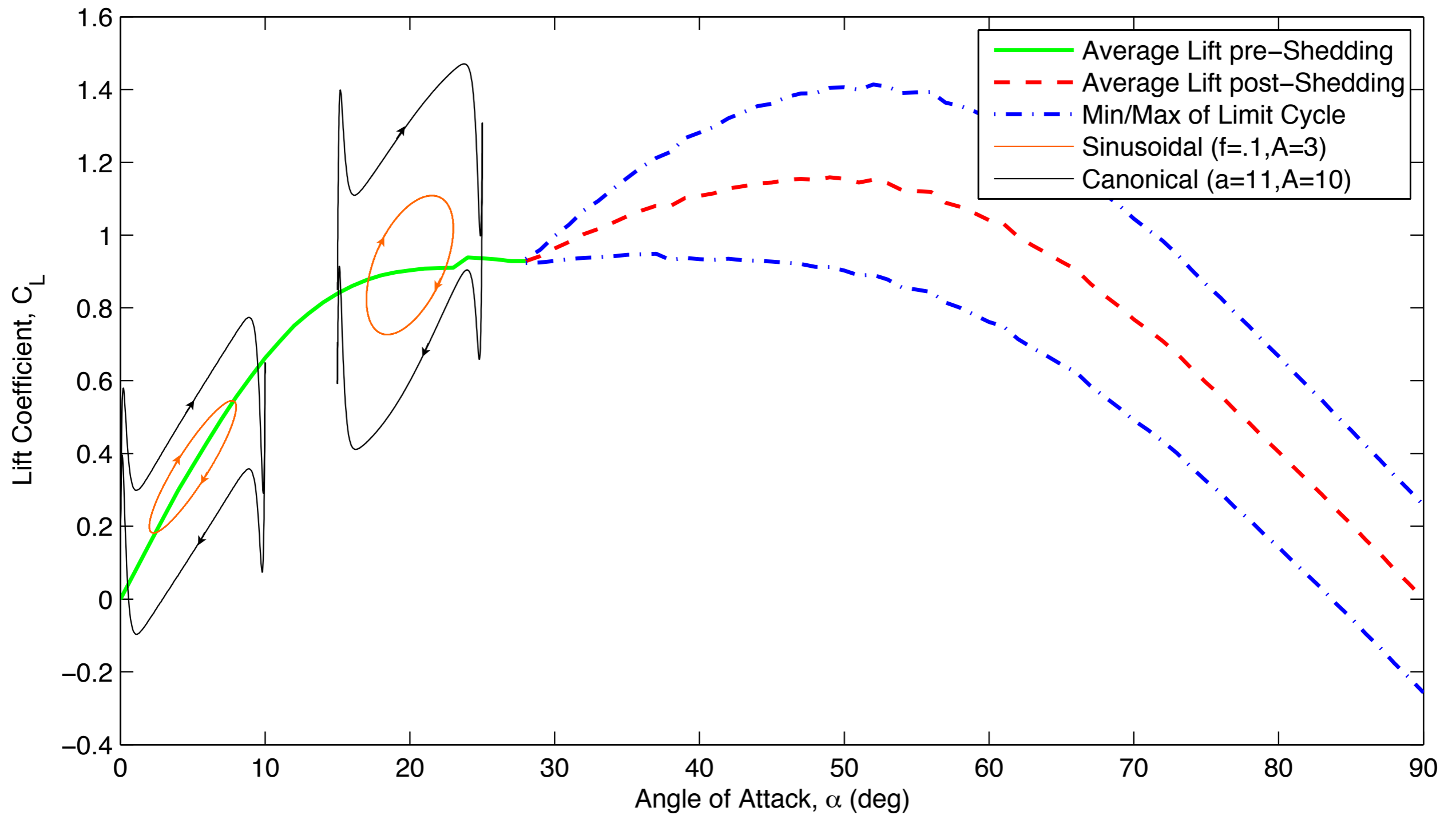
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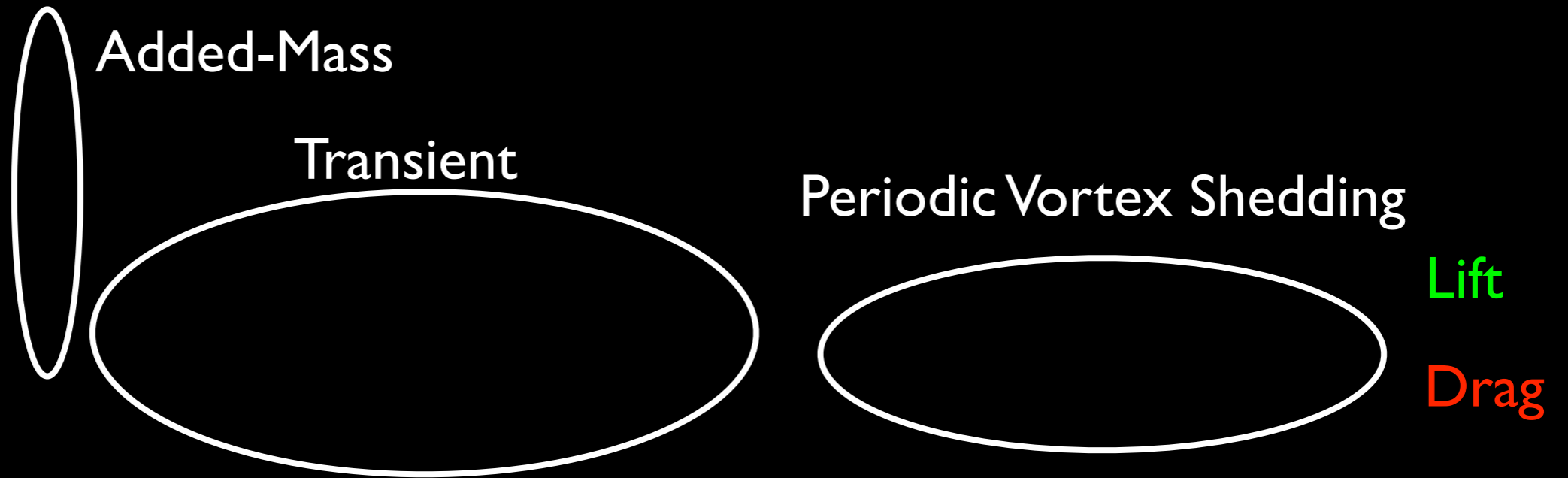
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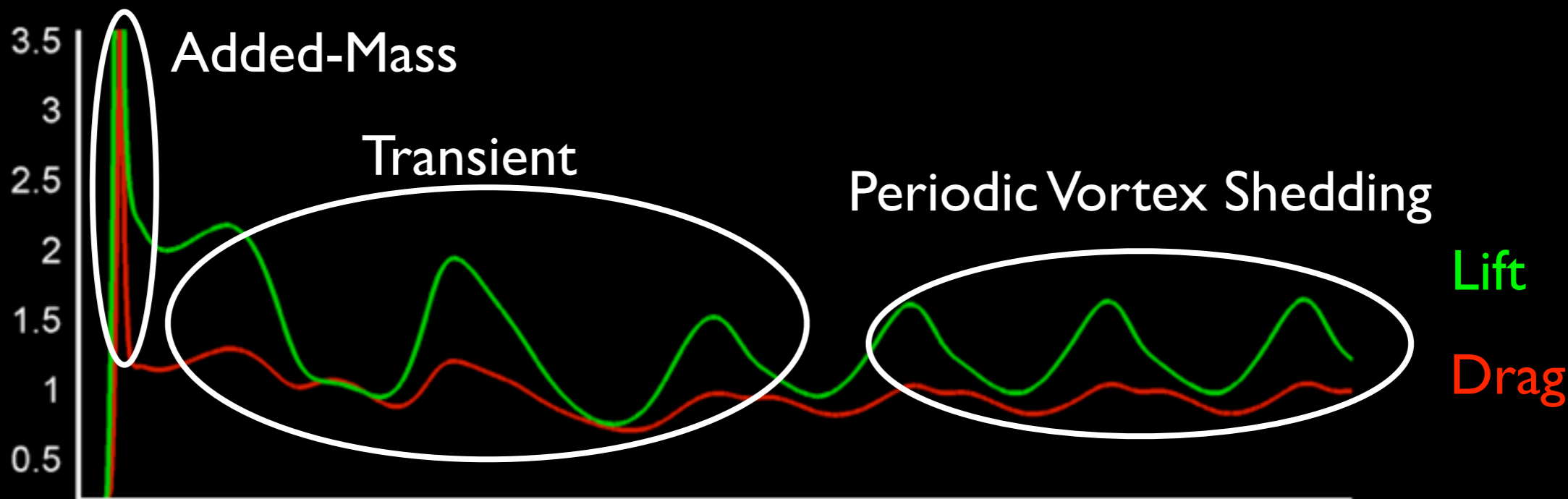


$Re = 300$   
 $\alpha = 32^\circ$





# 2D Model Problem



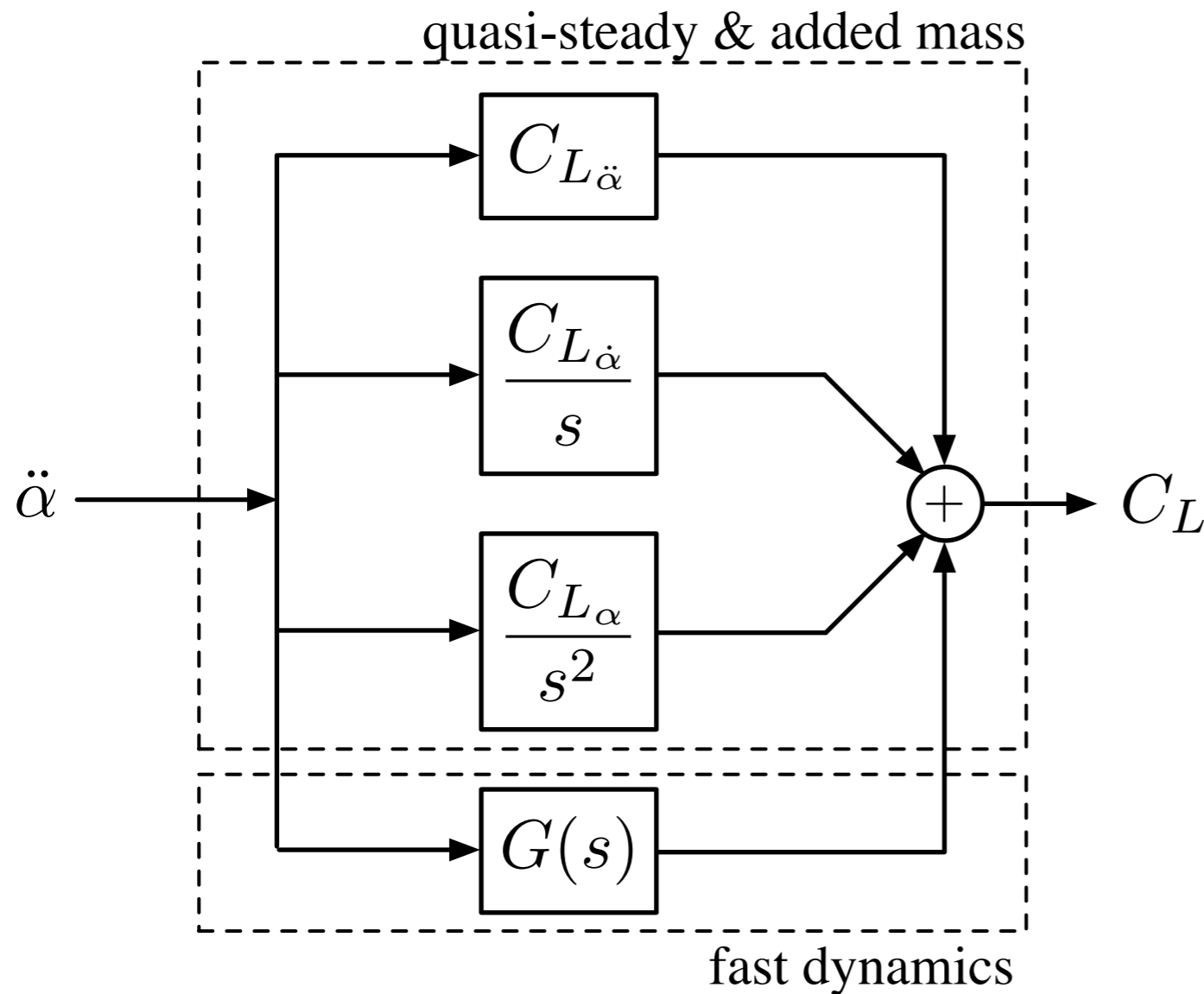
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# Reduced Order Indicial Response



$$C_L(t) = C_L^S(t)\alpha(0) + \int_0^t C_L^S(t-\tau)\dot{\alpha}(\tau)d\tau$$



fast dynamics

Reduced-order model

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \alpha \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \alpha \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B_r \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \ddot{\alpha}$$

input

$$C_L = [C_r \quad C_{L\alpha} \quad C_{L\dot{\alpha}}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \alpha \\ \dot{\alpha} \end{bmatrix} + C_{L\ddot{\alpha}} \ddot{\alpha}$$

quasi-steady and added-mass

## Model Summary

Linearized about  $\alpha = 0$

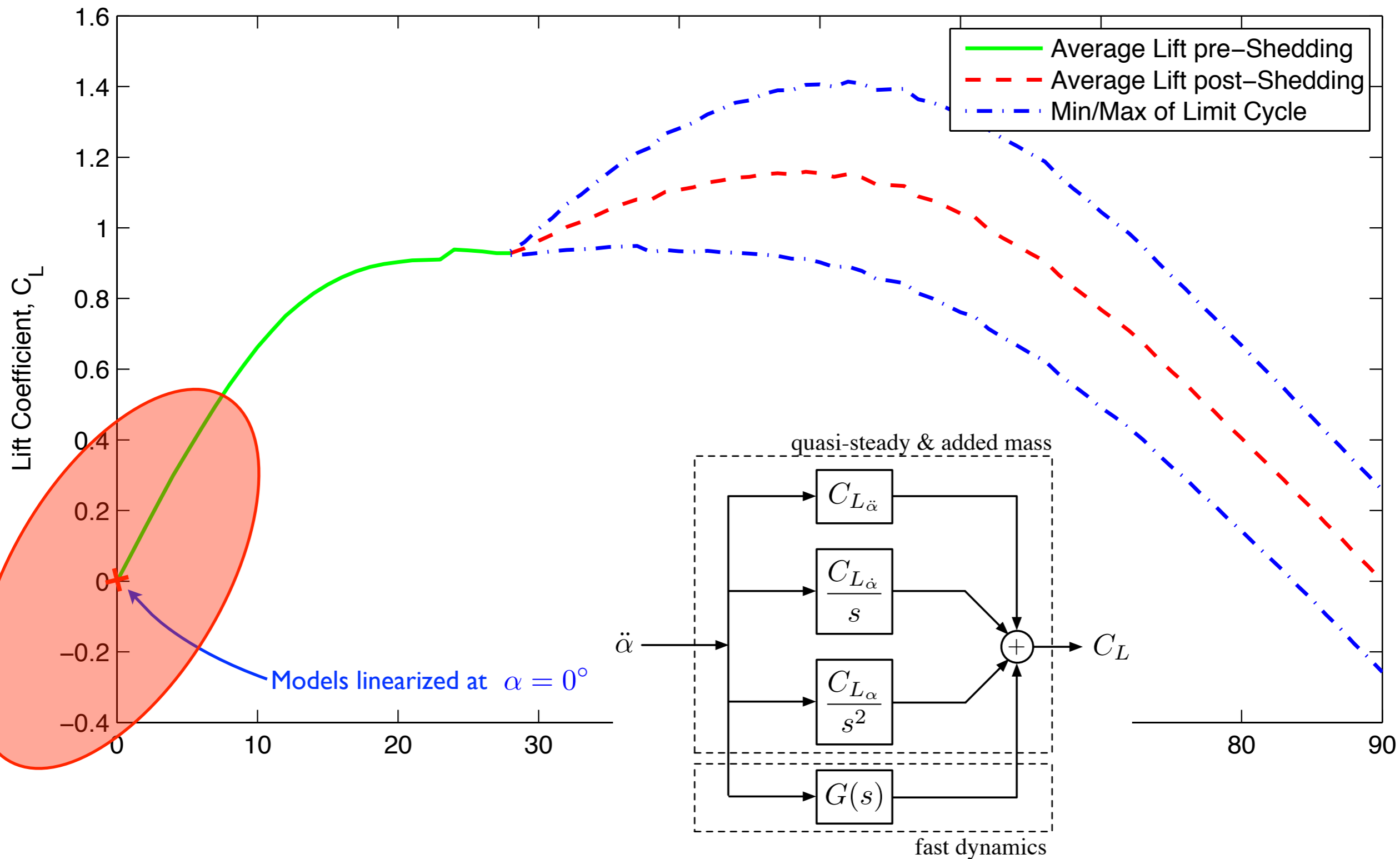
Based on experiment, simulation or theory

Recovers stability derivatives  $C_{L\alpha}, C_{L\dot{\alpha}}, C_{L\ddot{\alpha}}$  associated with quasi-steady and added-mass

**ODE model ideal for control design**



# Lift vs. Angle of Attack





# Bode Plot - Pitch (QC)



## Frequency response

input is  $\ddot{\alpha}$  ( $\alpha$  is angle of attack)

output is lift coefficient  $C_L$

Pitching at quarter chord

**Reduced order model with ERA  $r=3$   
accurately reproduces Indicial Response**

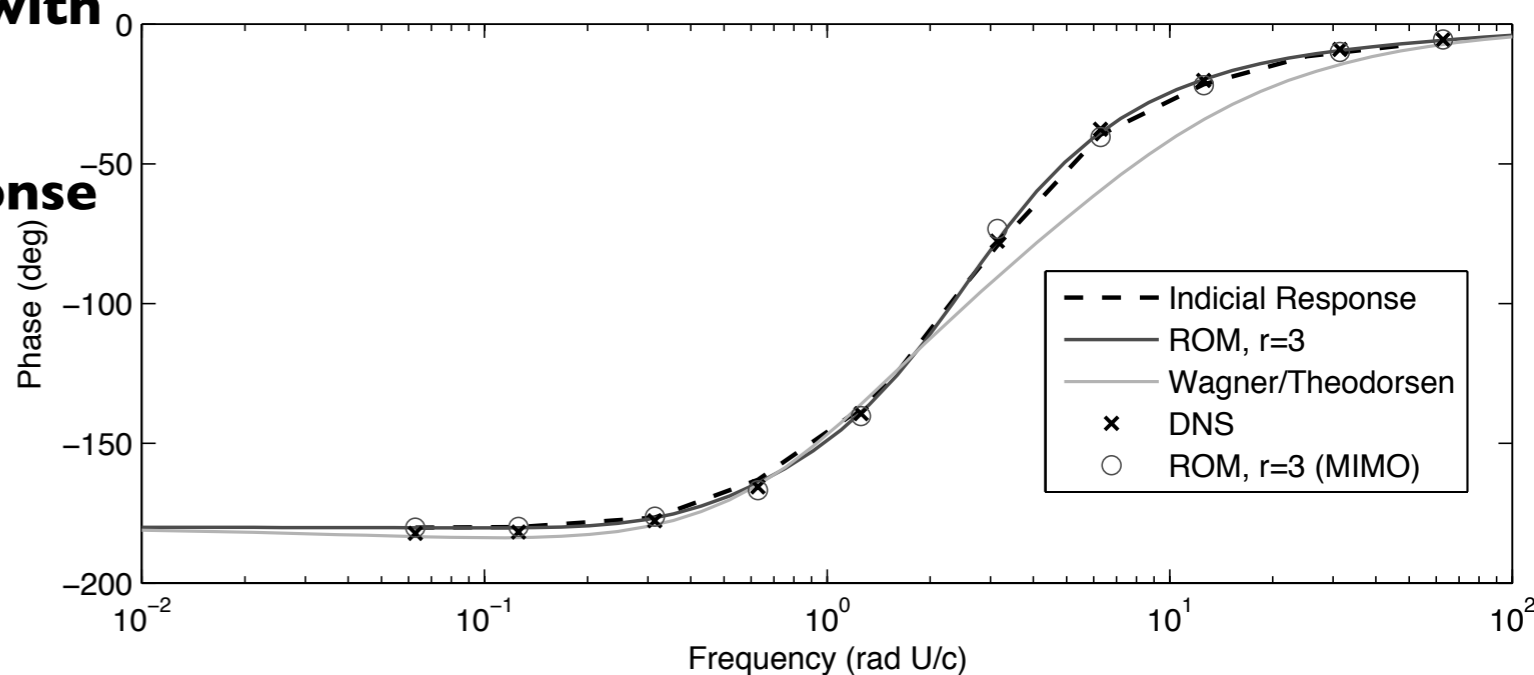
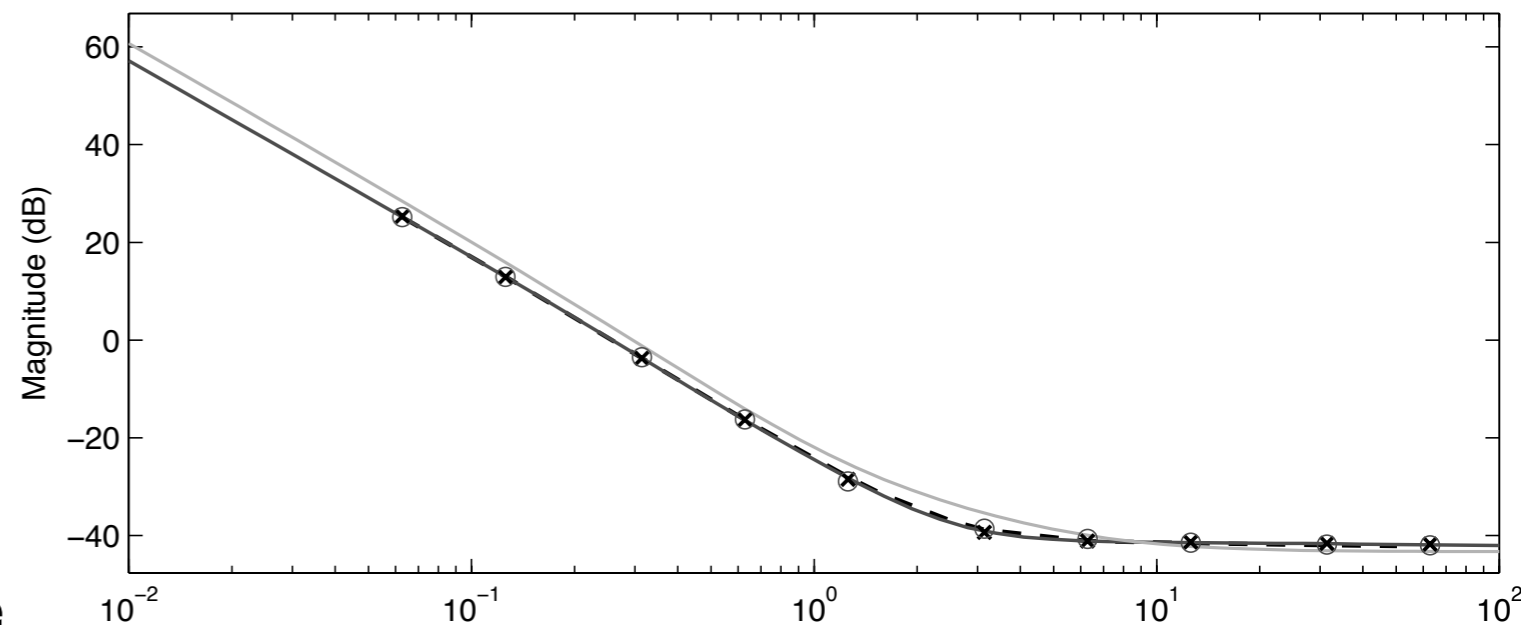
**Indicial Response and ROM agree better with  
DNS than Theodorsen's model.**

**Asymptotes are correct for Indicial Response  
because it is based on experiment**

**Model for pitch/plunge dynamics  
[ERA,  $r=3$  (MIMO)] works as well,  
for the same order model**

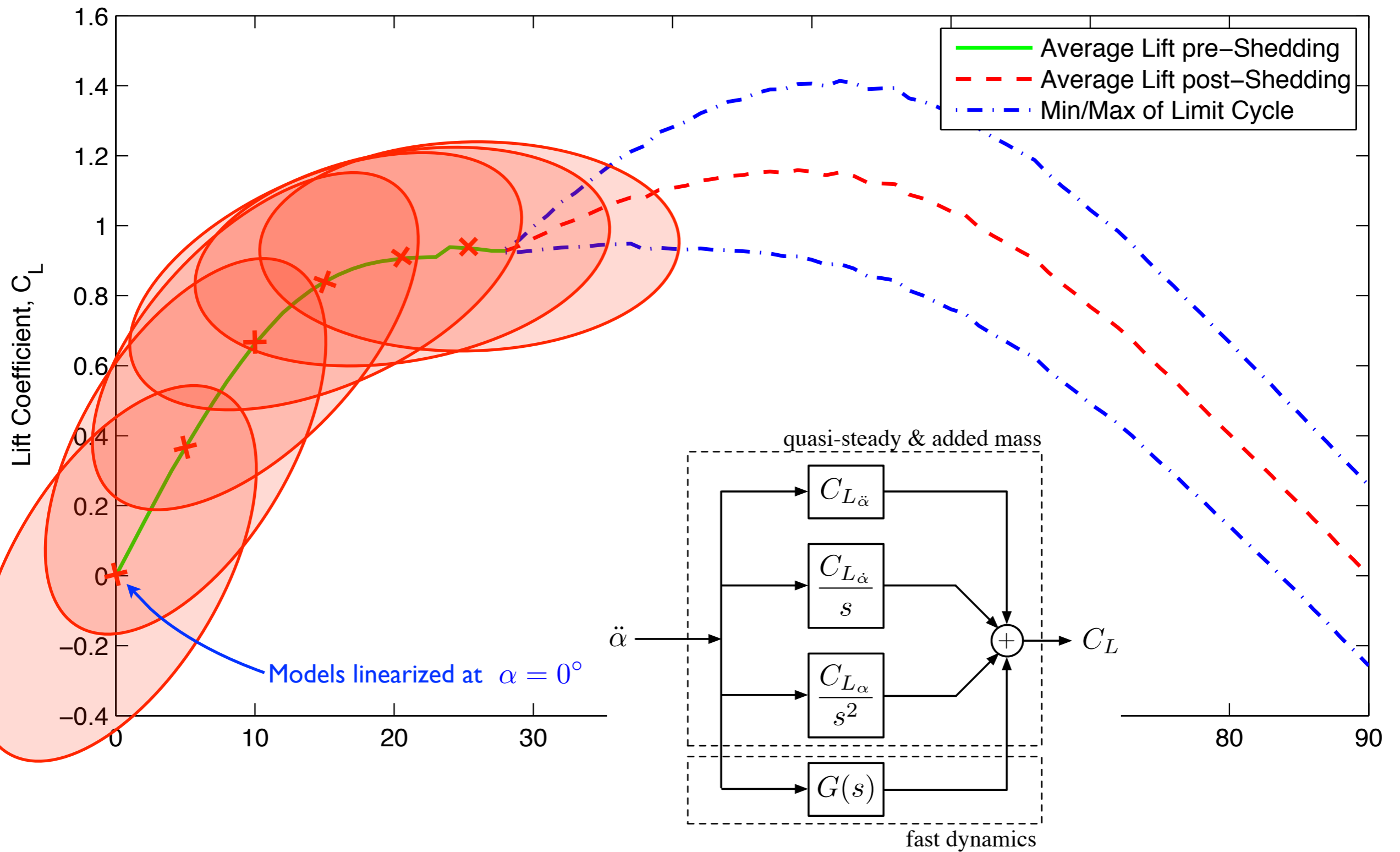
**Brunton and Rowley, in preparation.**

## Quarter-Chord Pitching



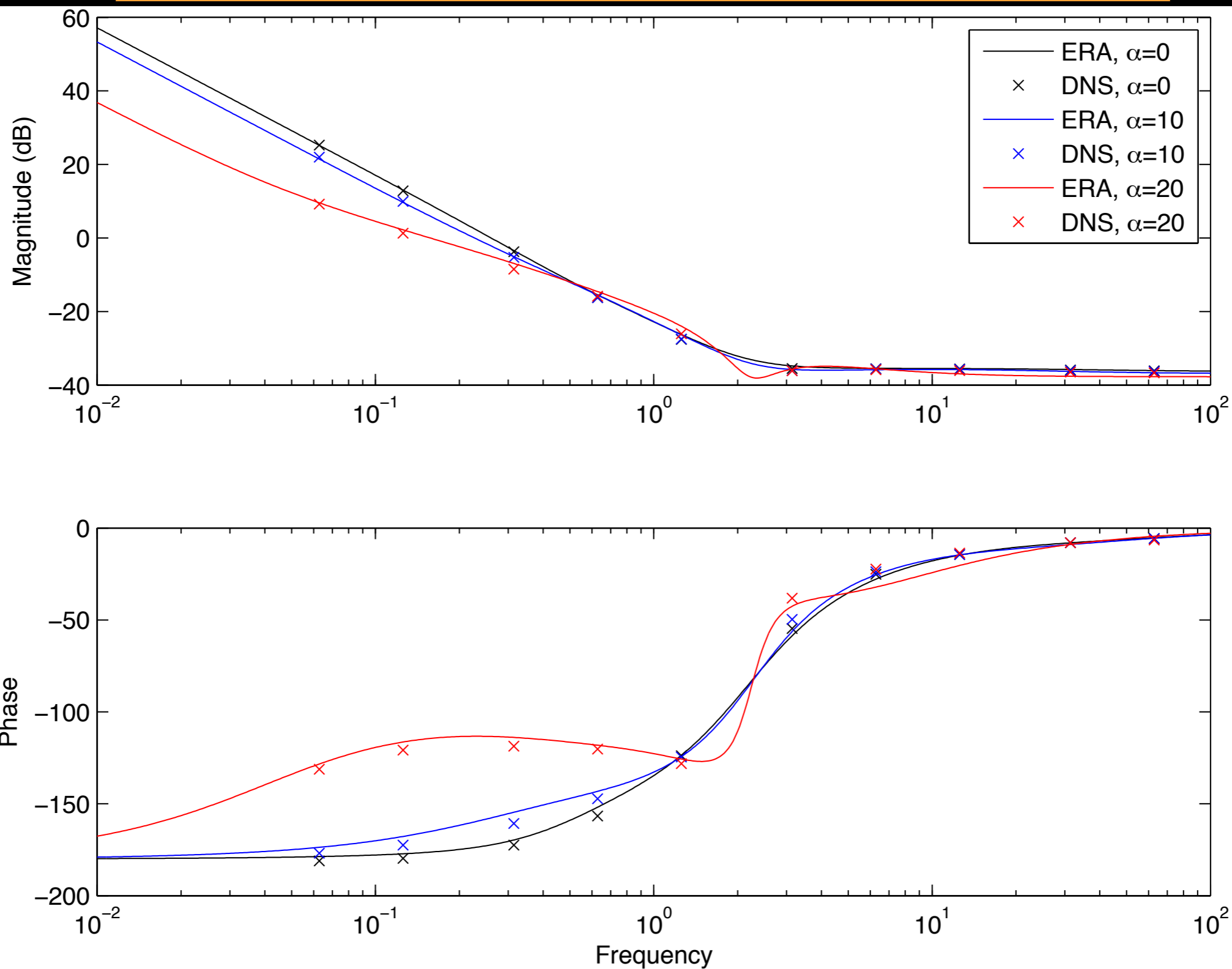


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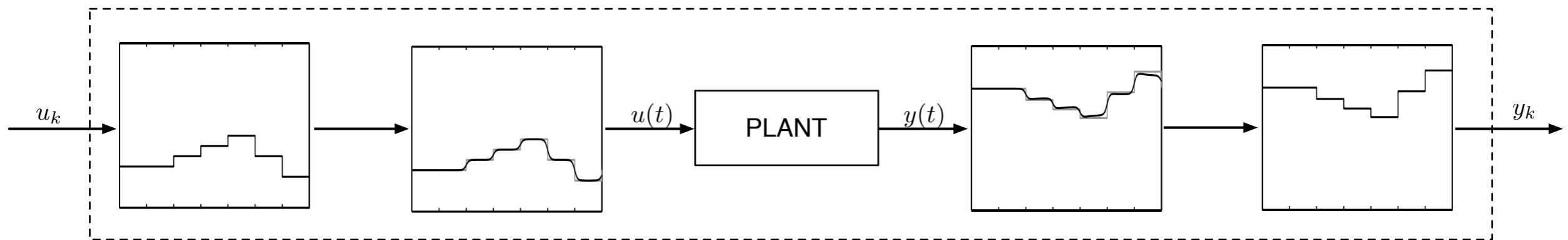
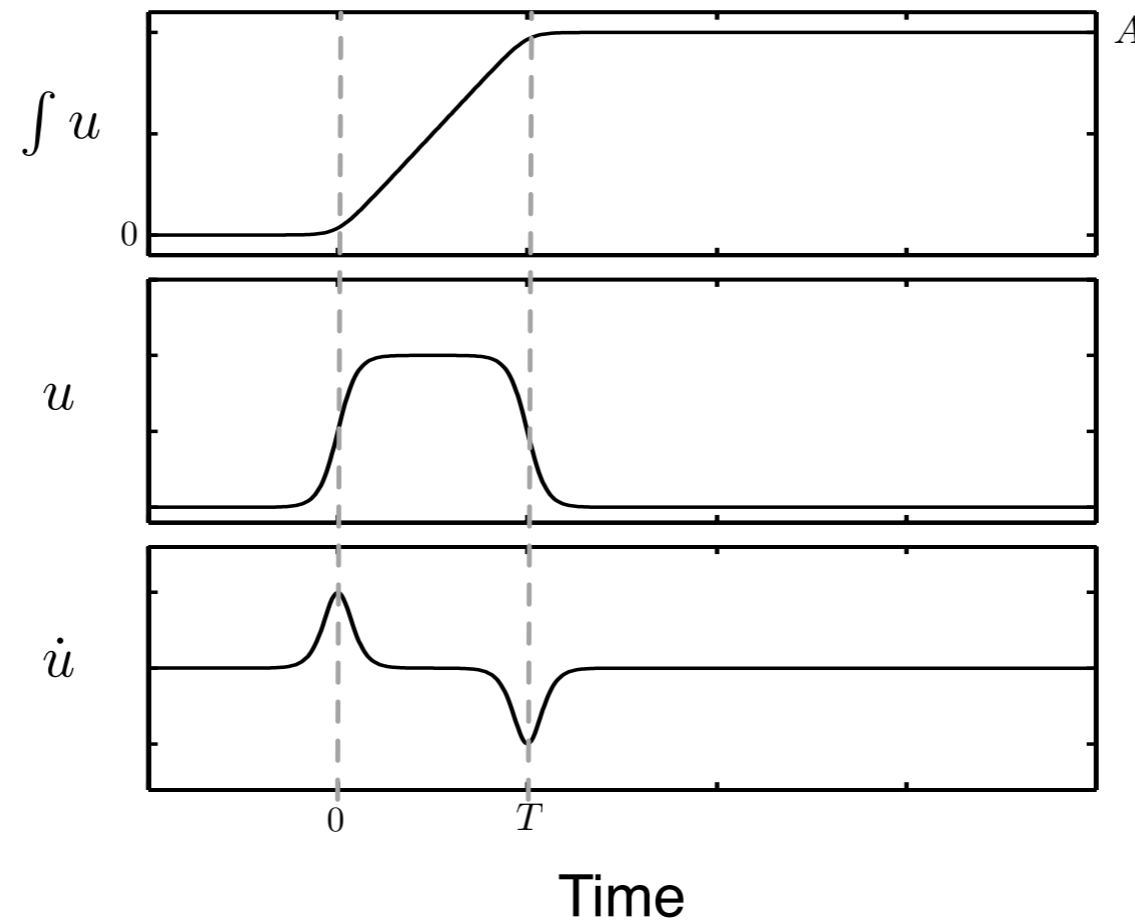
# Bode Plot of Model (-) vs Data (x)



**Direct numerical simulation confirms that local linearized models are accurate for small amplitude sinusoidal maneuvers**



# (Indicial) Step Response

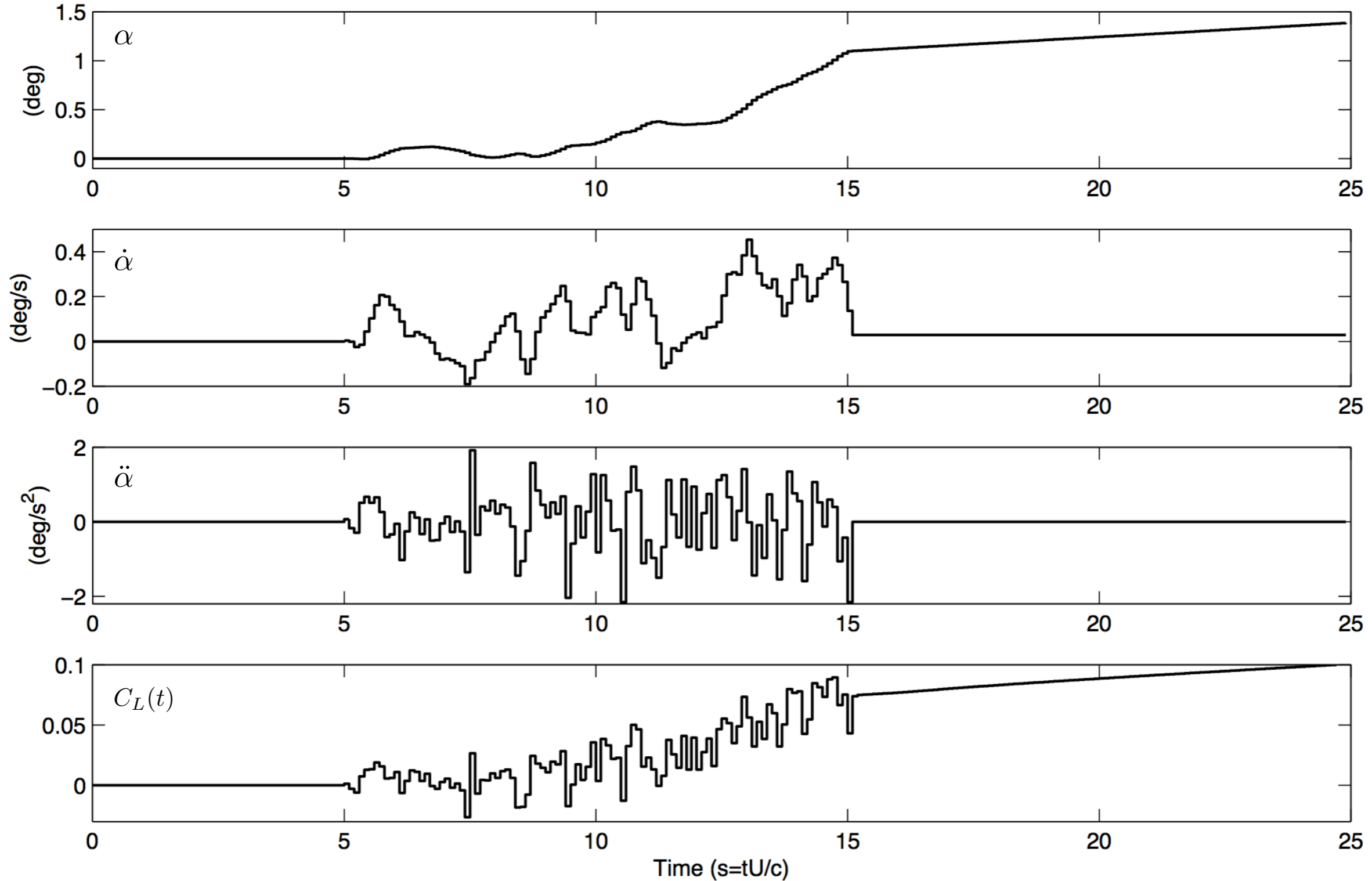


Previously, models are based on aerodynamic step response

**Idea: Have pilot fly aircraft around for 5-10 minutes, back out the Markov parameters, and construct ERA model.**



# Random Input Maneuver



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# Wind Tunnel Setup

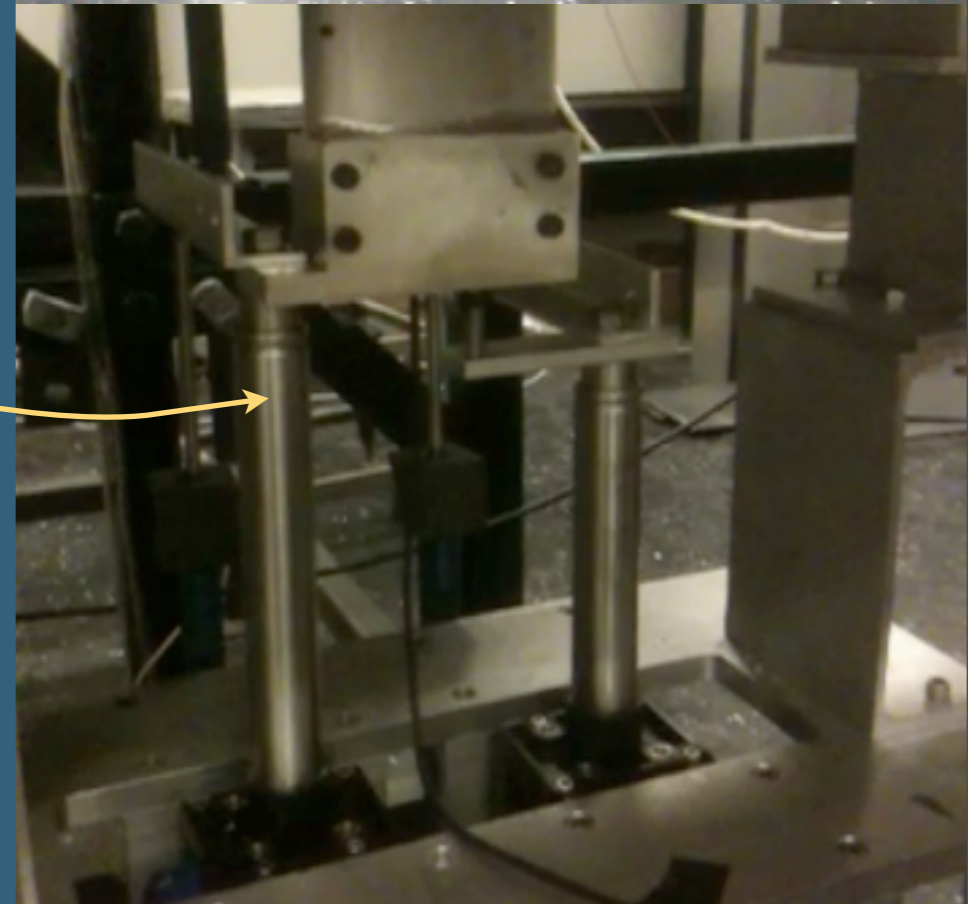
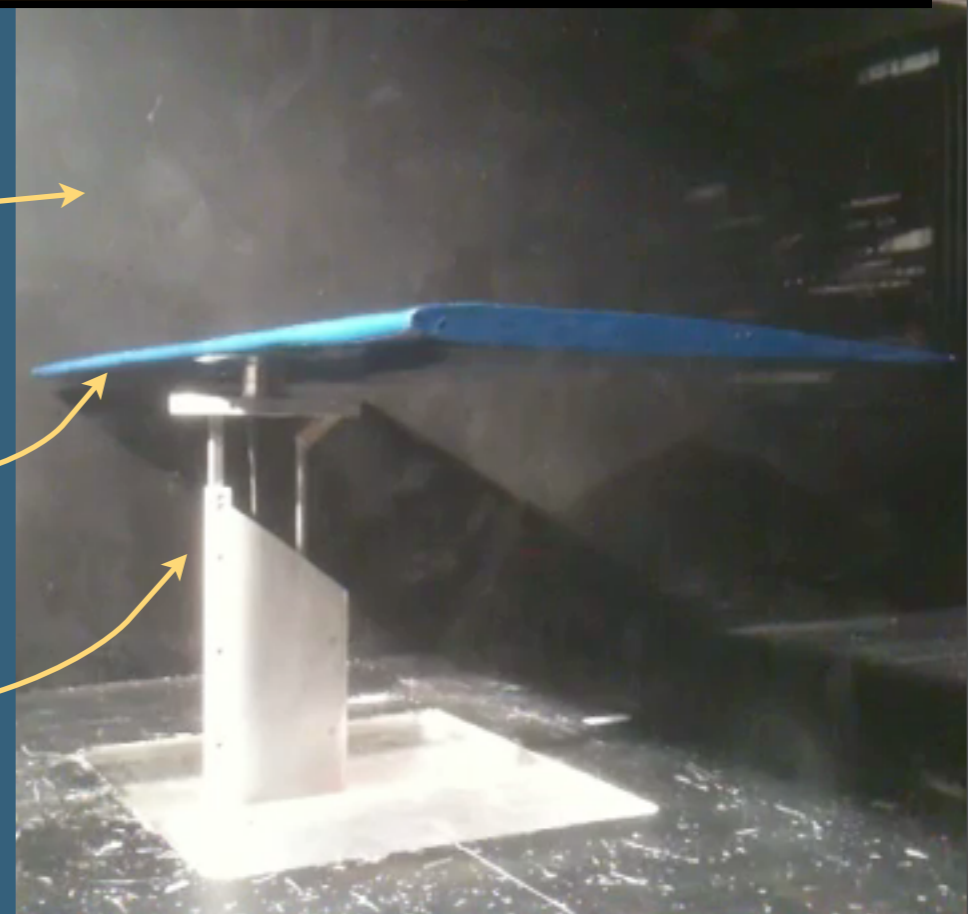


Test section

NACA 0006 Airfoil  
(24.6 cm chord)

Push rods and sting

Servo tubes





# Experimental Information



## Andrew Fejer Unsteady Flow Wind Tunnel

(.6m x .6m x 3.5m test section)

NACA 0006 Airfoil

Chord Length: 0.246 m

Free Stream Velocity: 4.00 m/s

1.0 Convection time = .06 seconds

Reynolds Number: 65,000

Pitch point  $x/c = .11$  (11% chord)

Velocity measurement: Pitot tube,  
Validyne DP-103 pressure transducer

Force measurement: ATI Nano25 force transducer

Pushrod position measurement: linear potentiometer

Pushrod actuation: Copley servo tubes

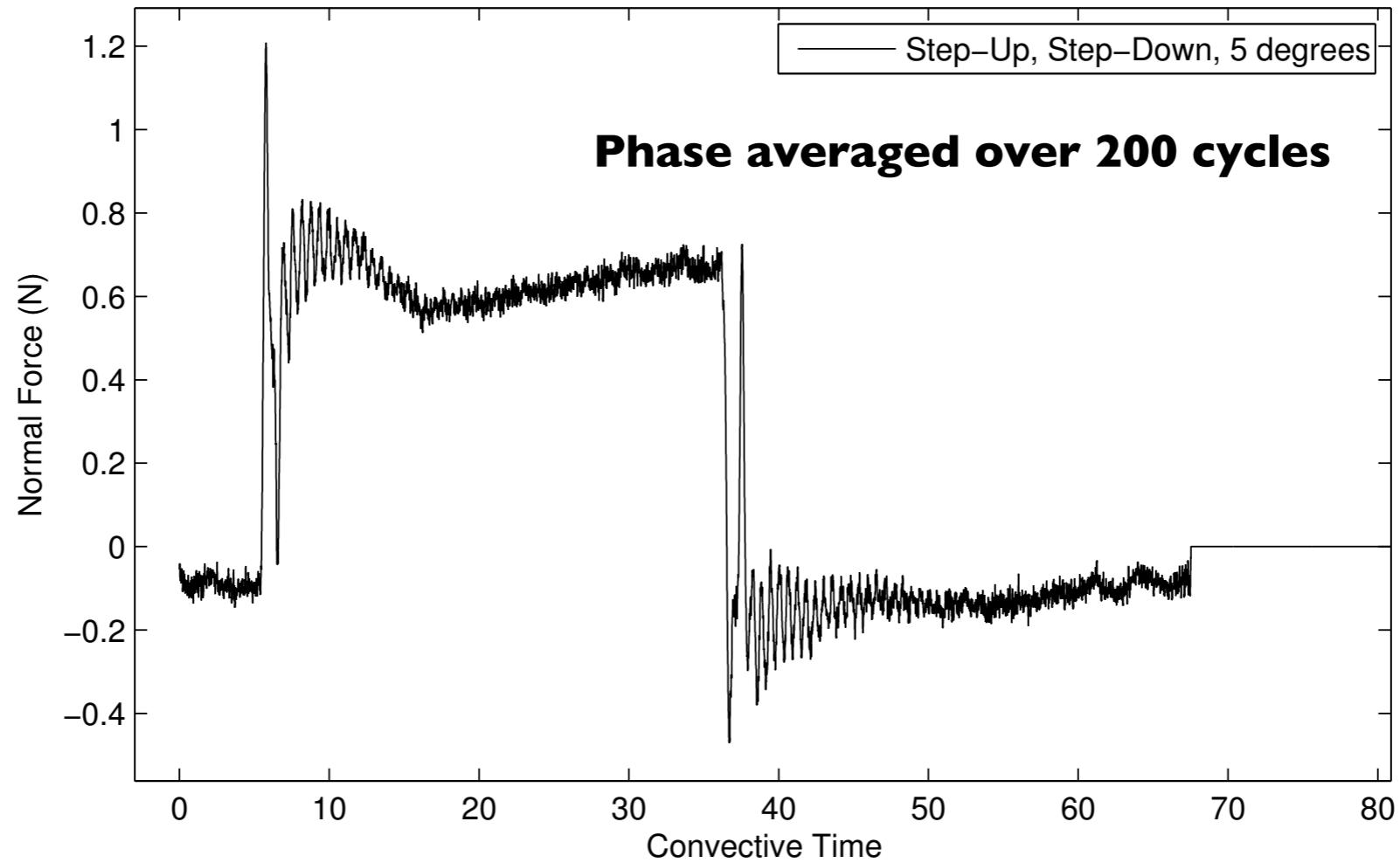
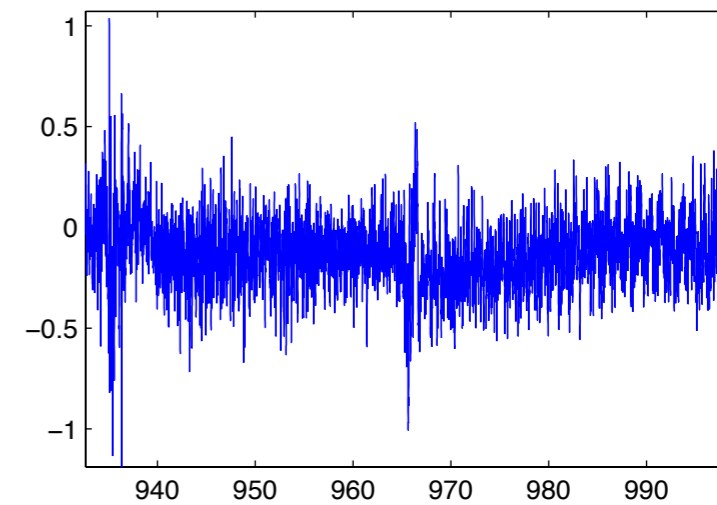
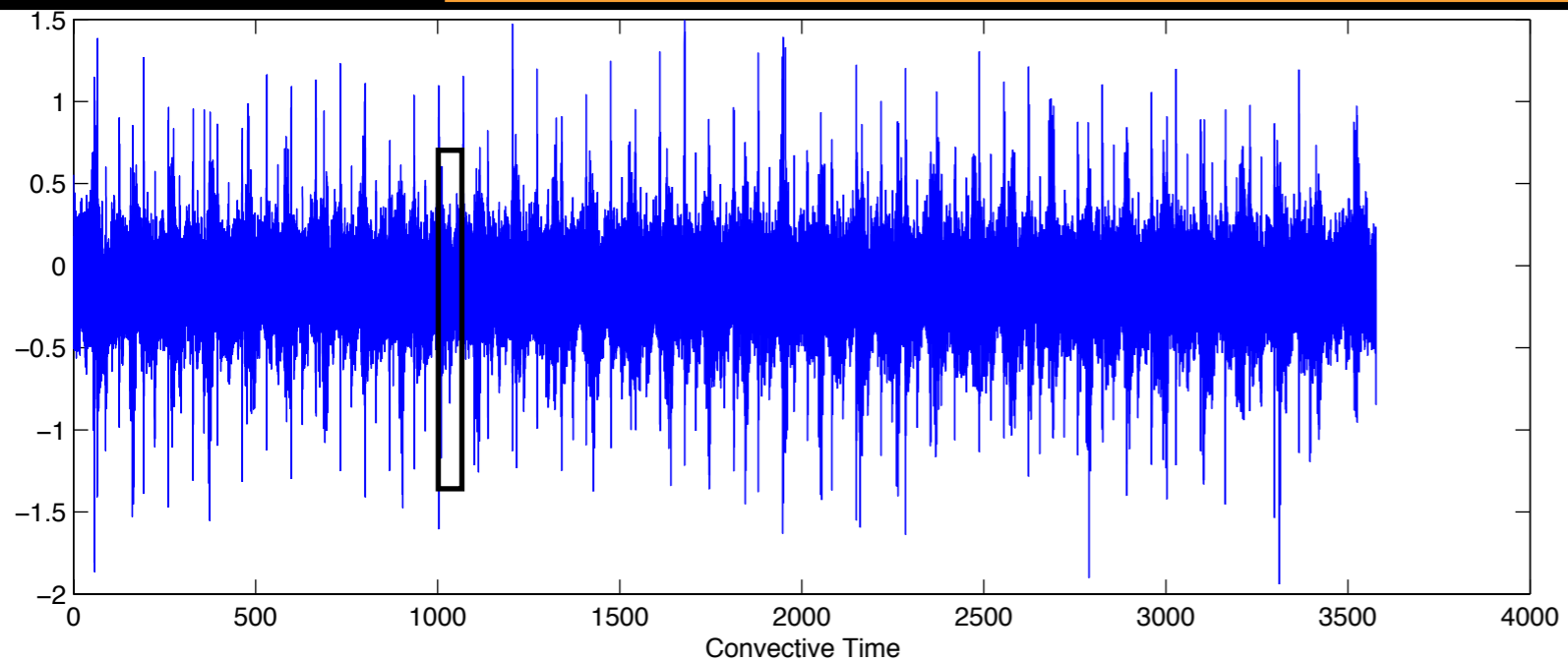


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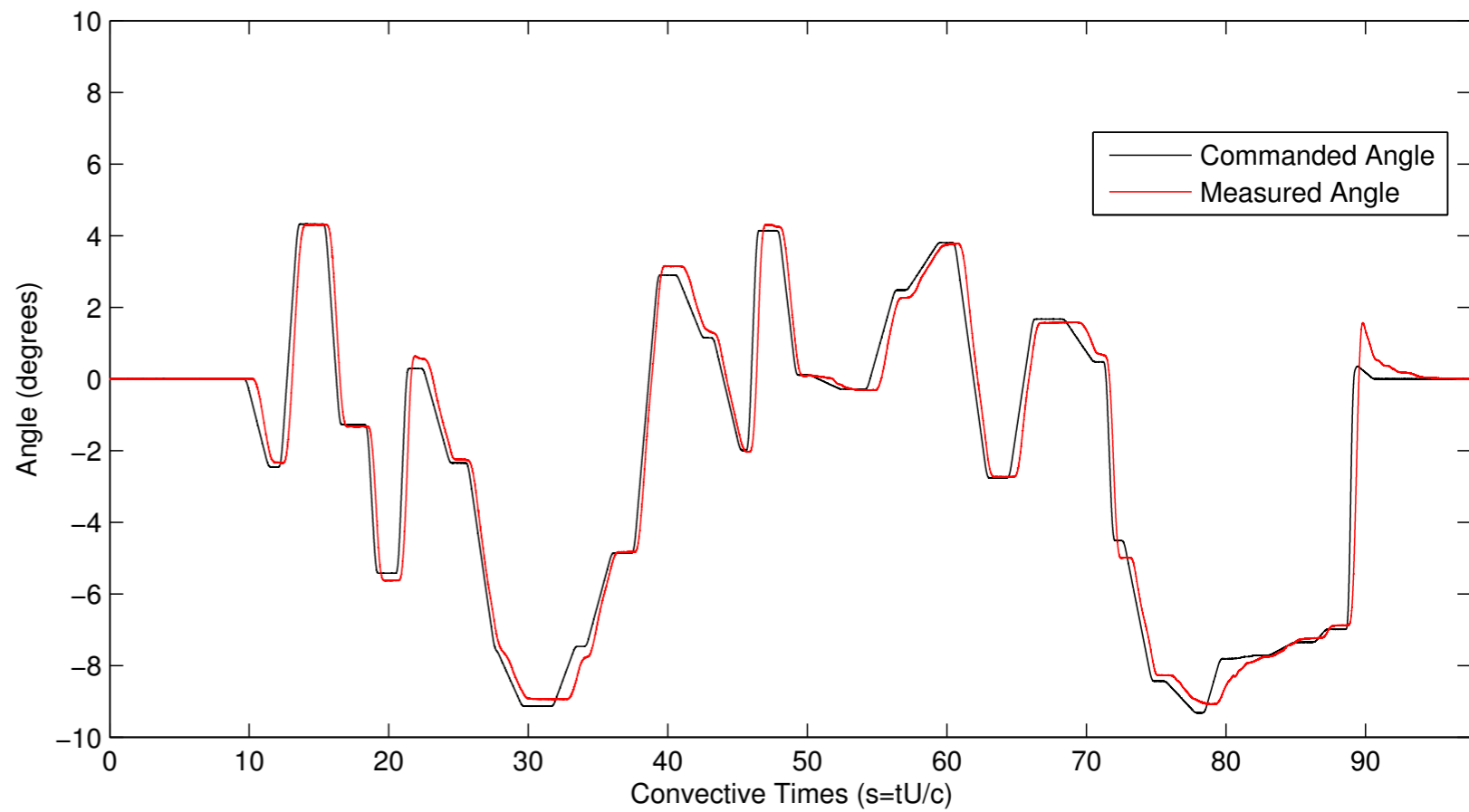
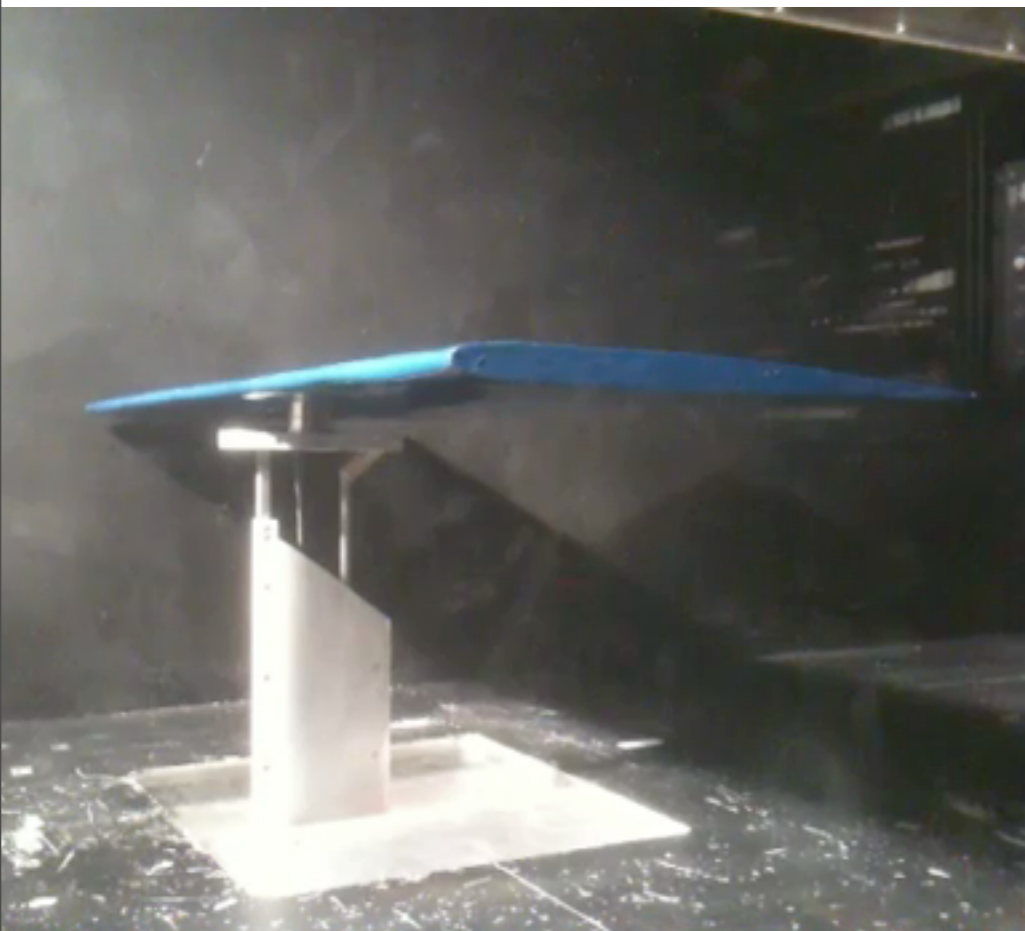


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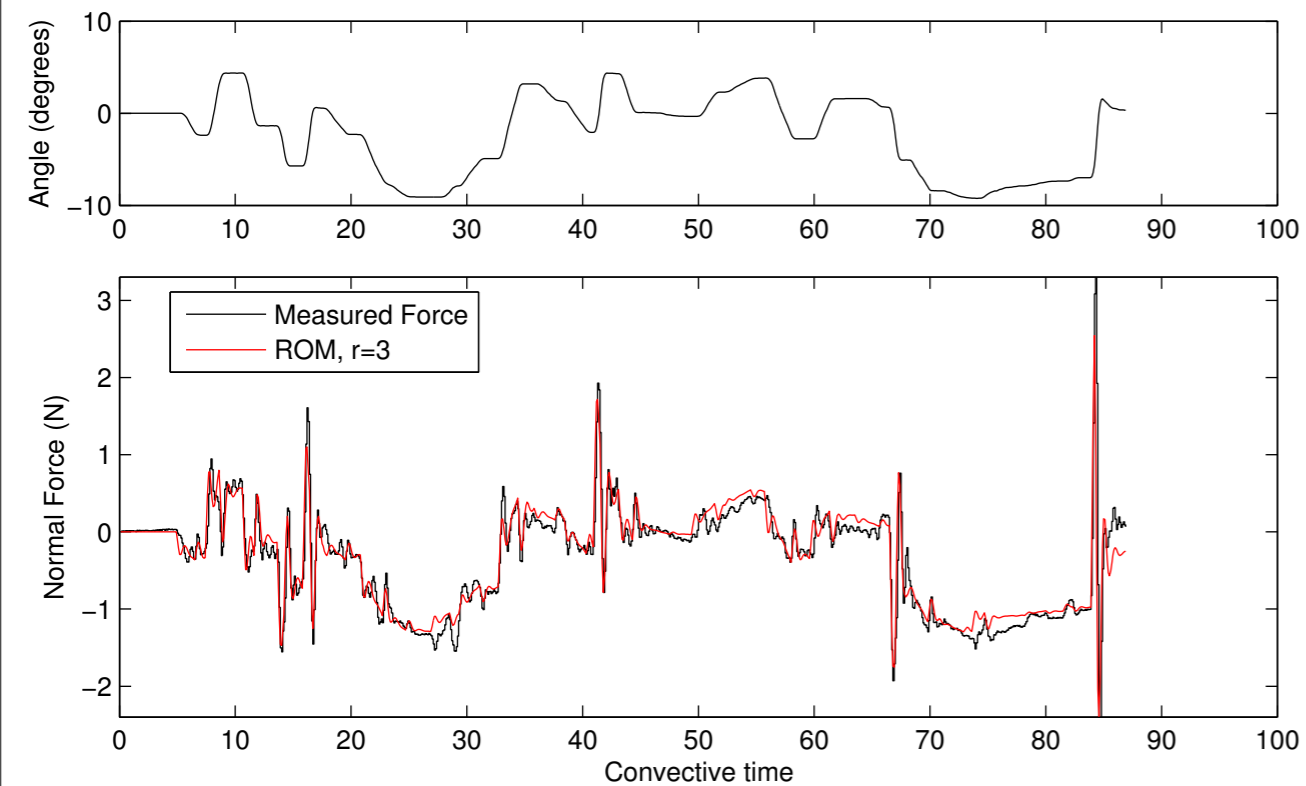


# Wing Maneuver

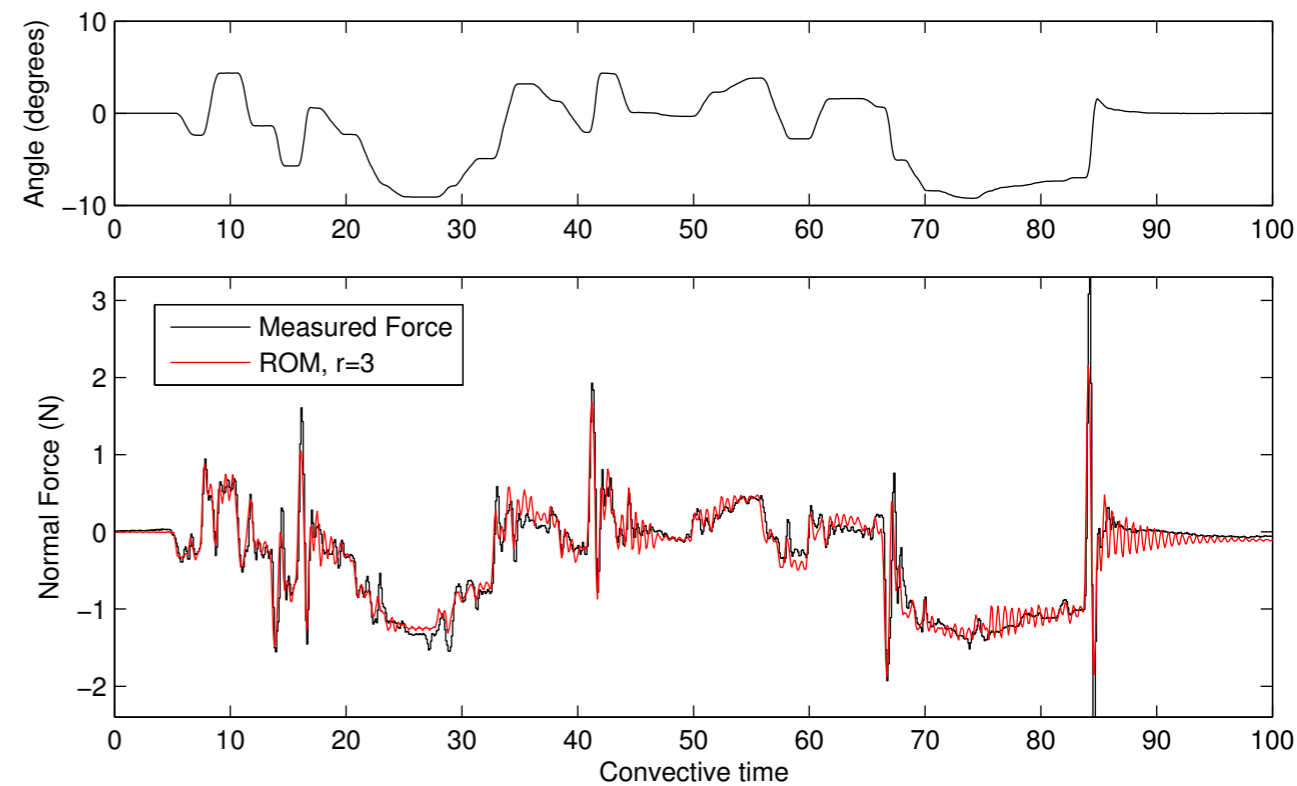




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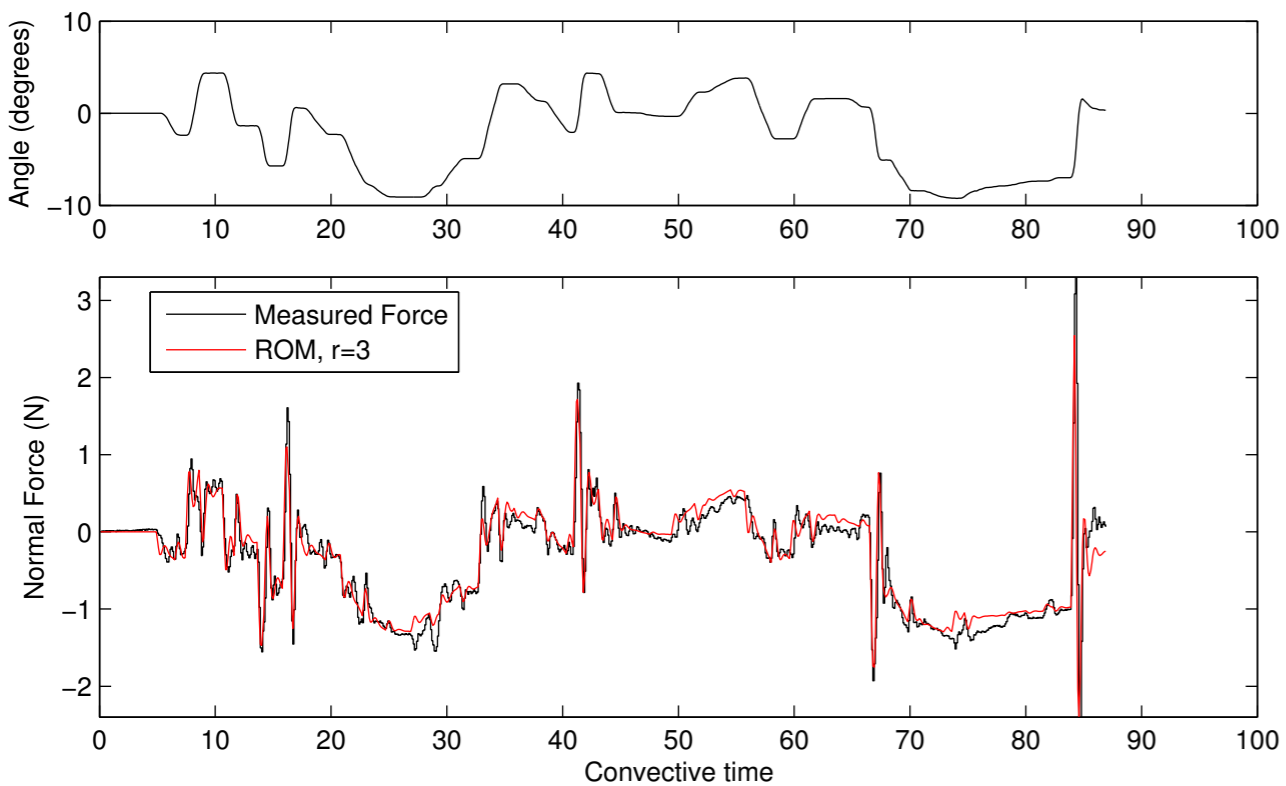
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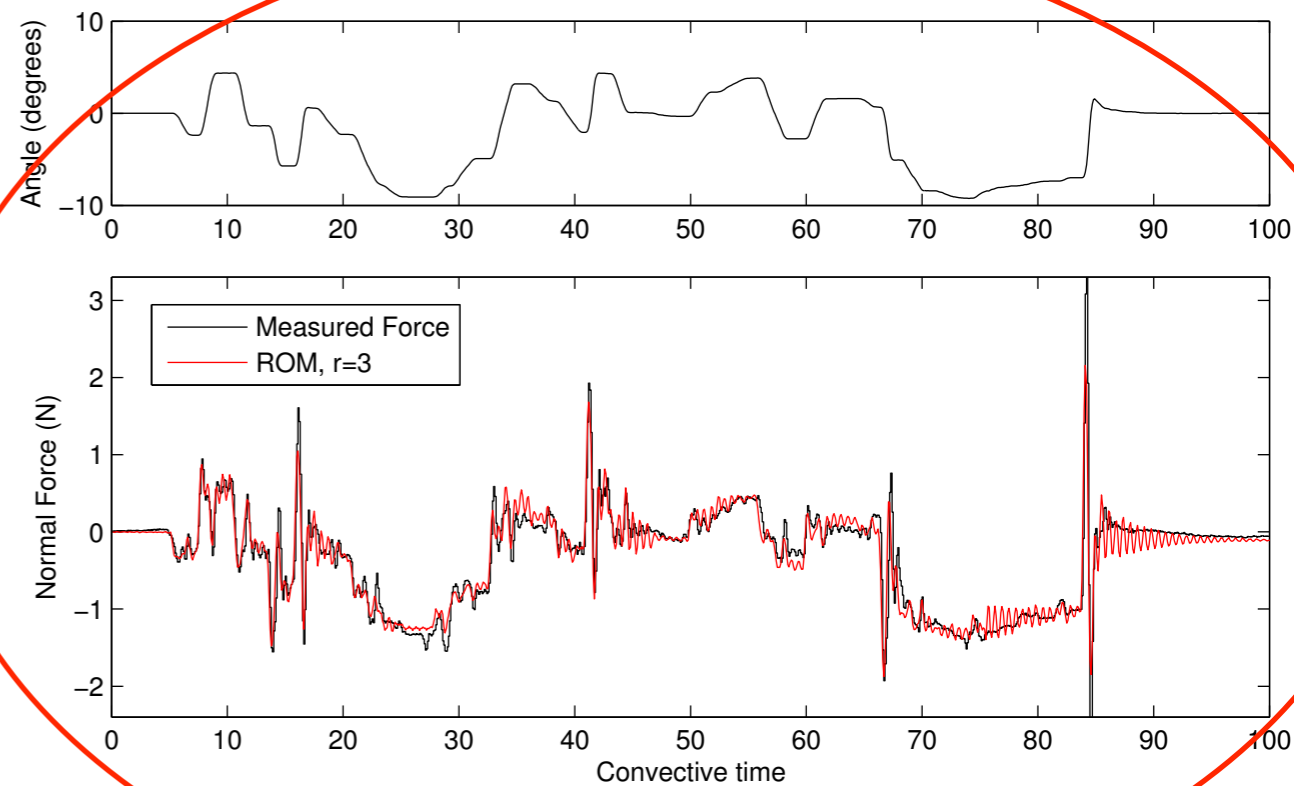
**Model using measured acceleration**



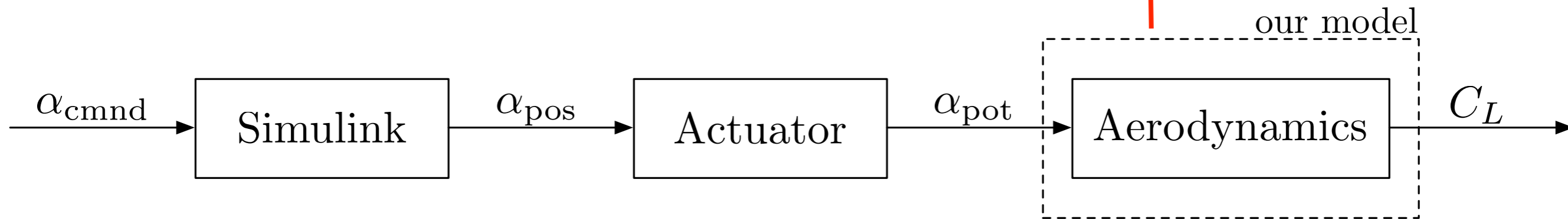
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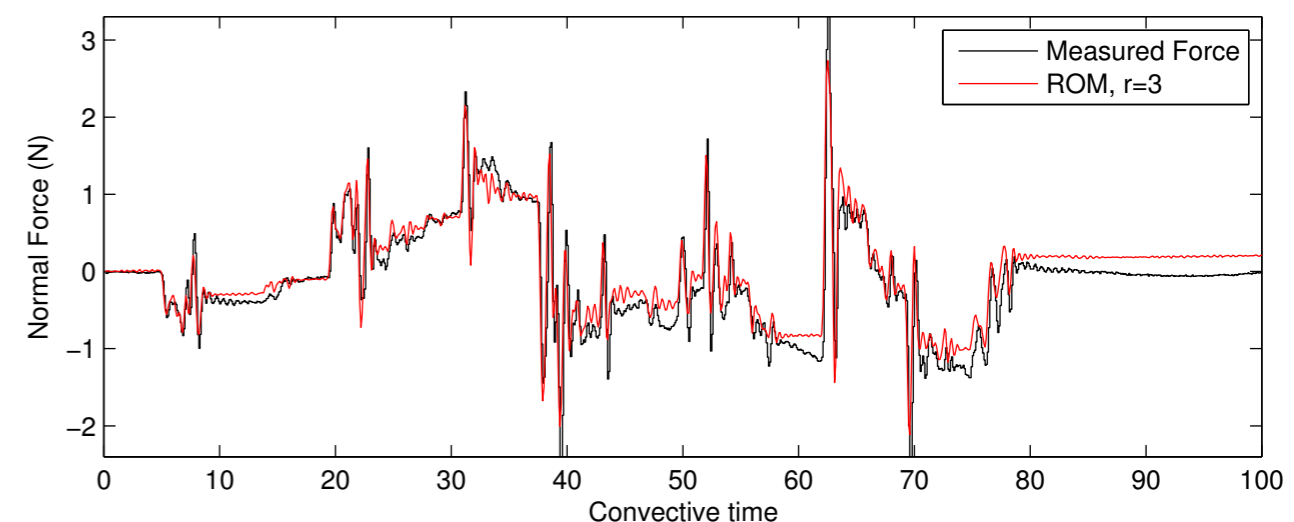
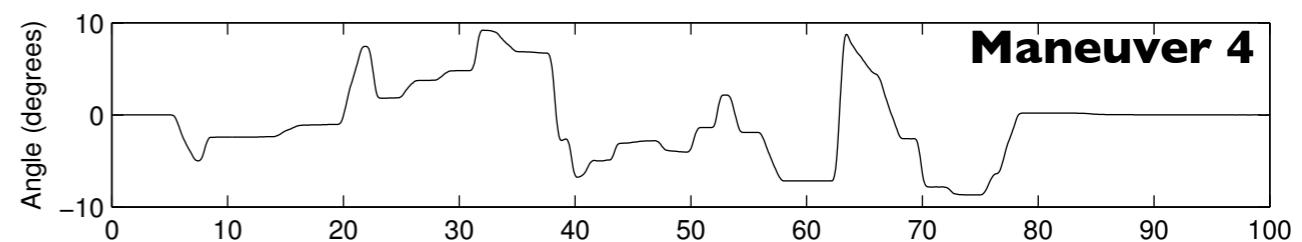
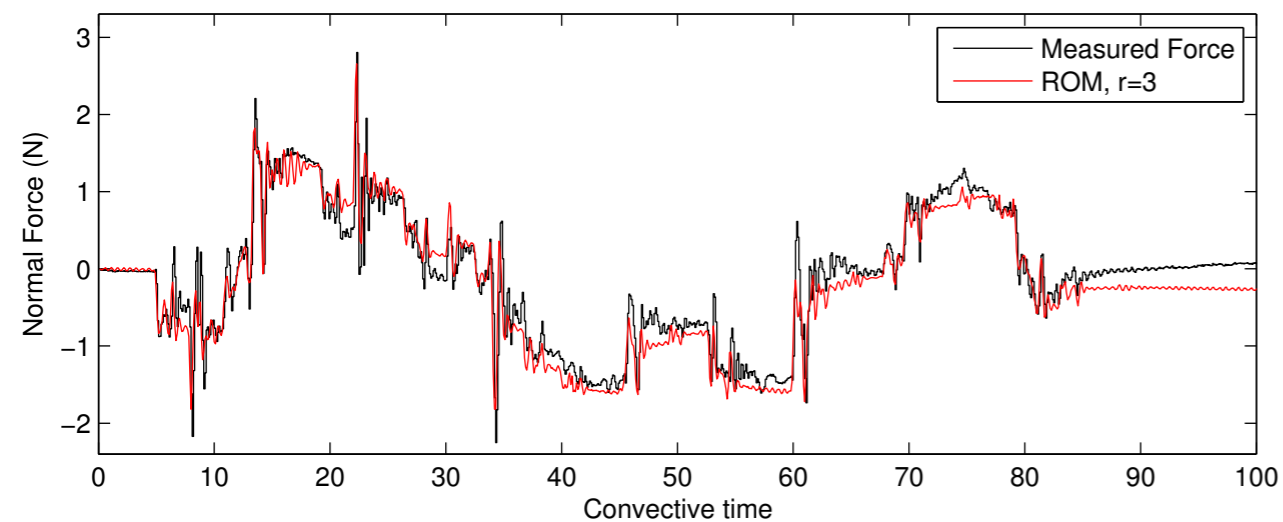
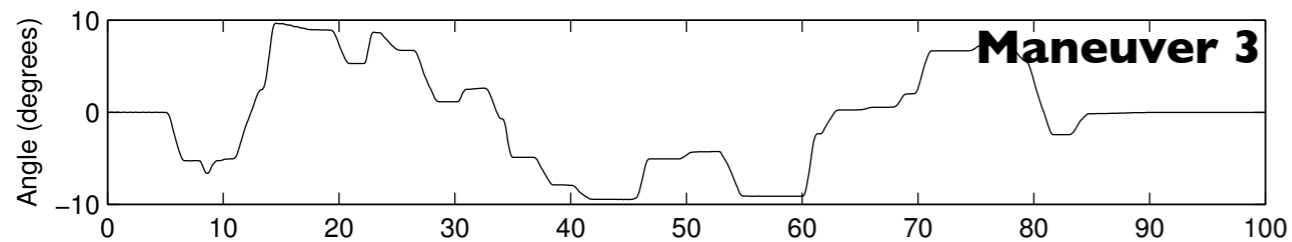
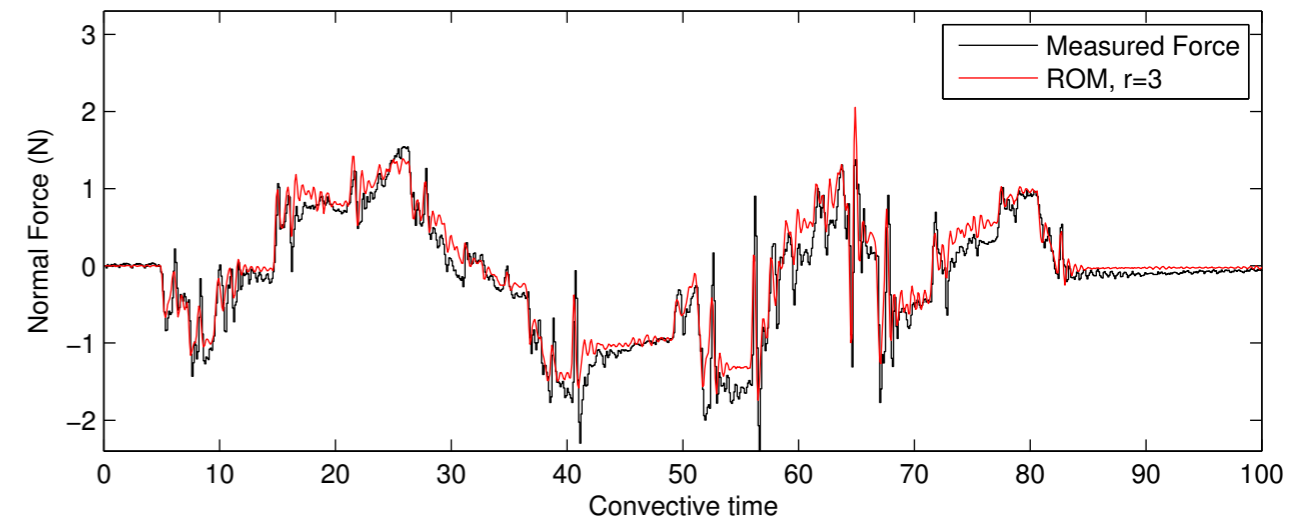
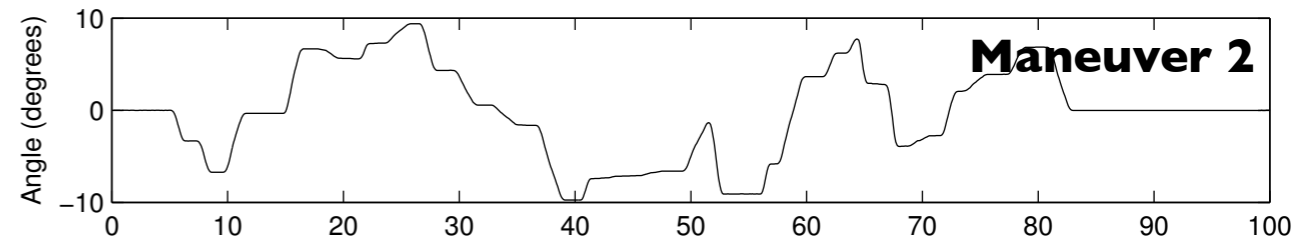
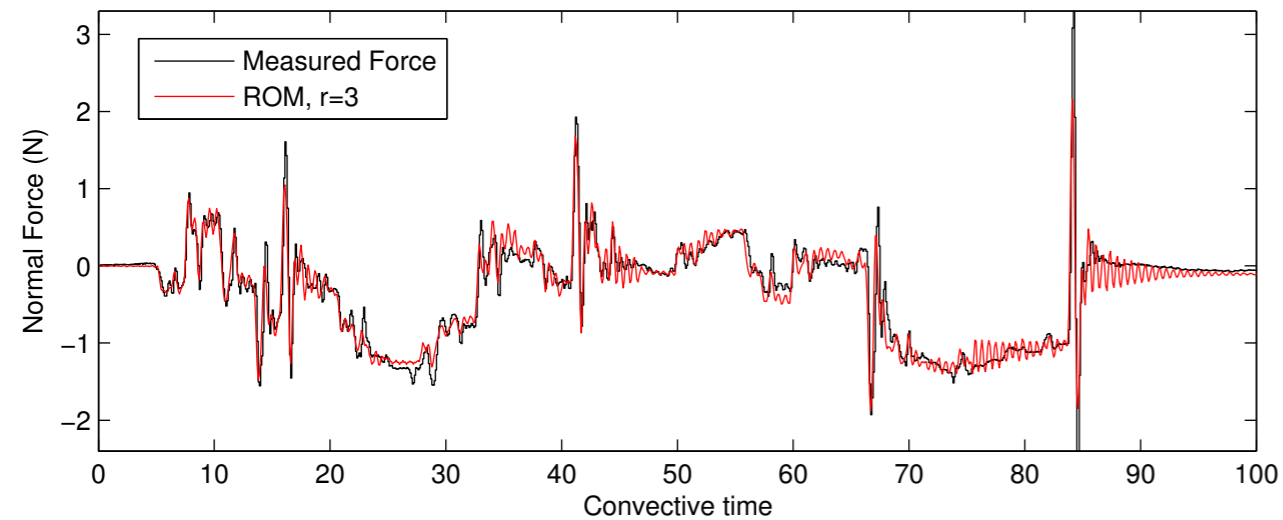
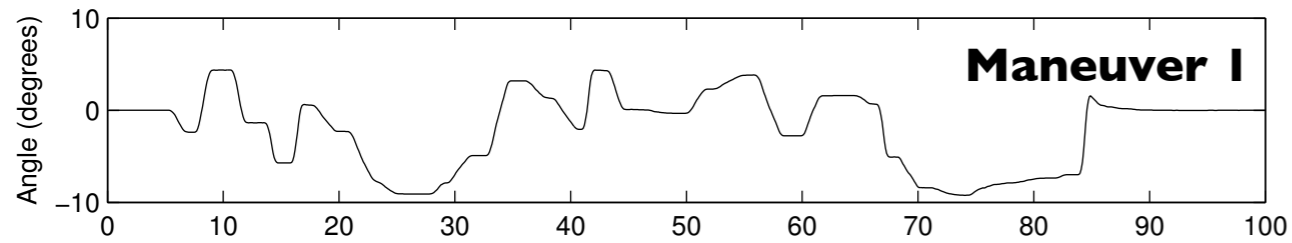


**Model using measured acceleration**





# Four Test Maneuvers

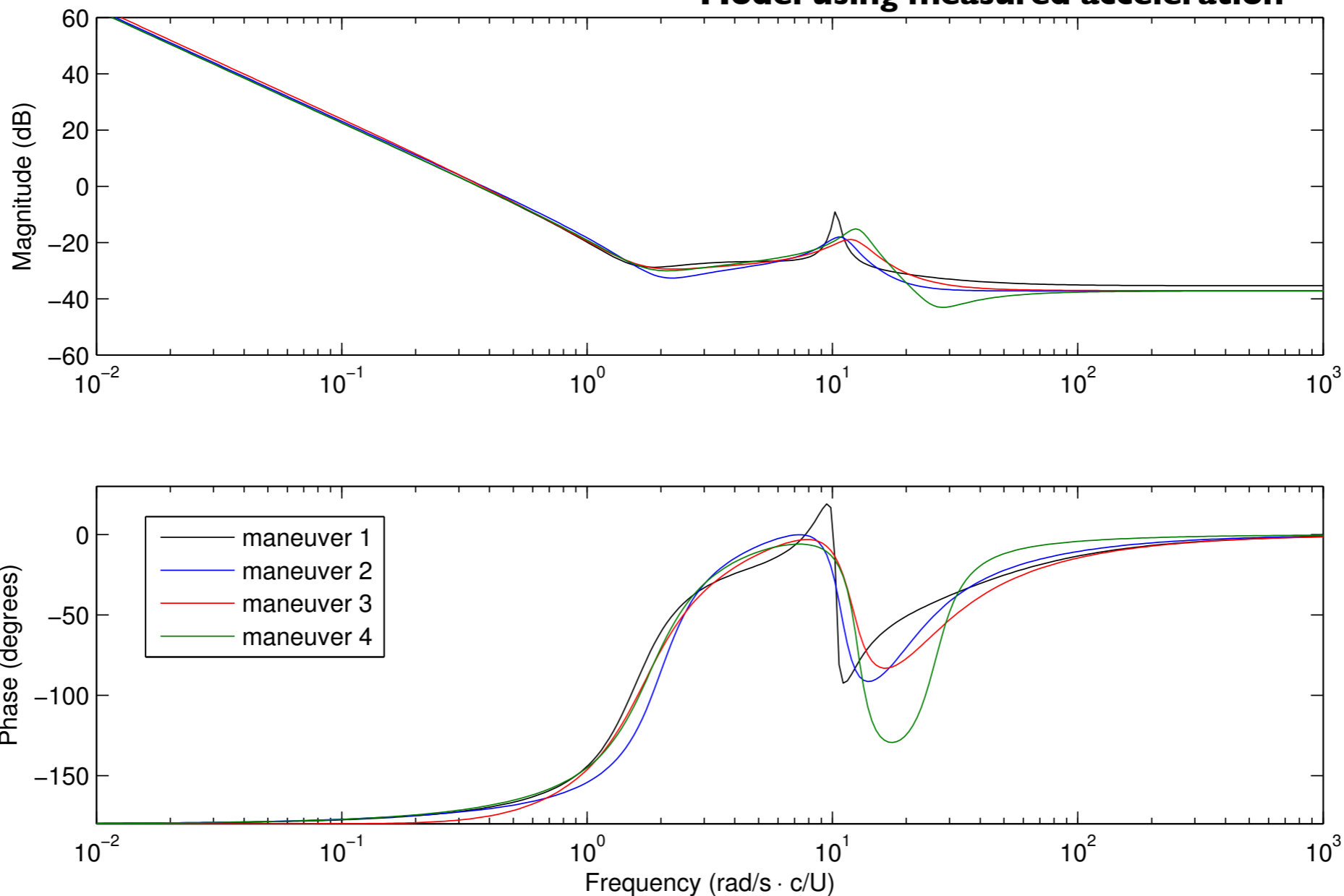




# Bode Plots for AoA=0



Model using measured acceleration

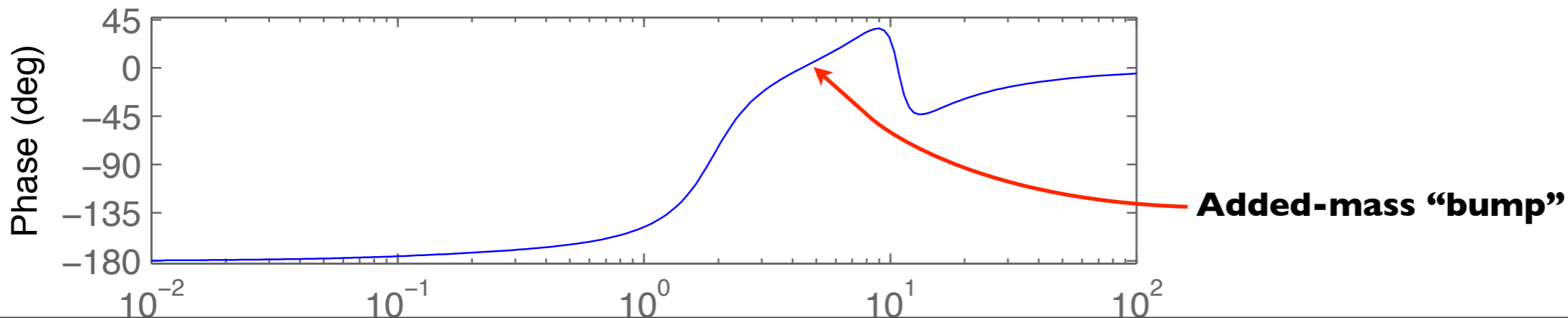
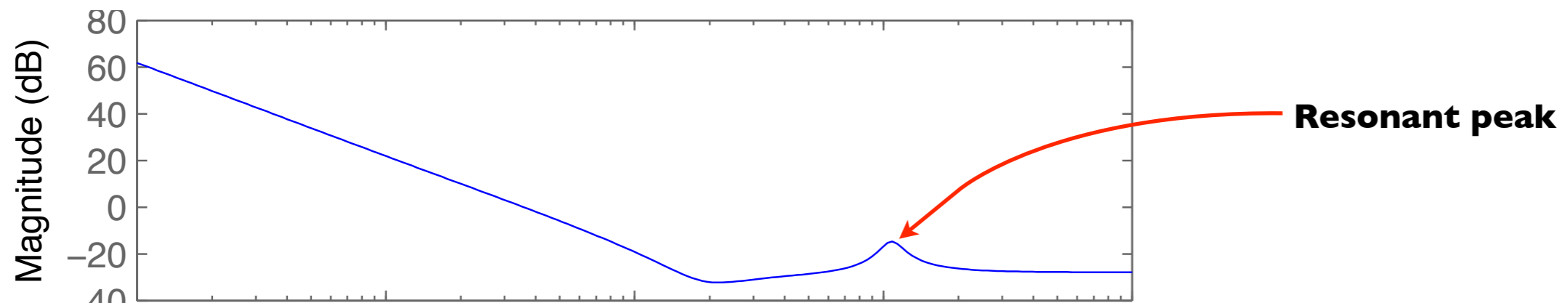
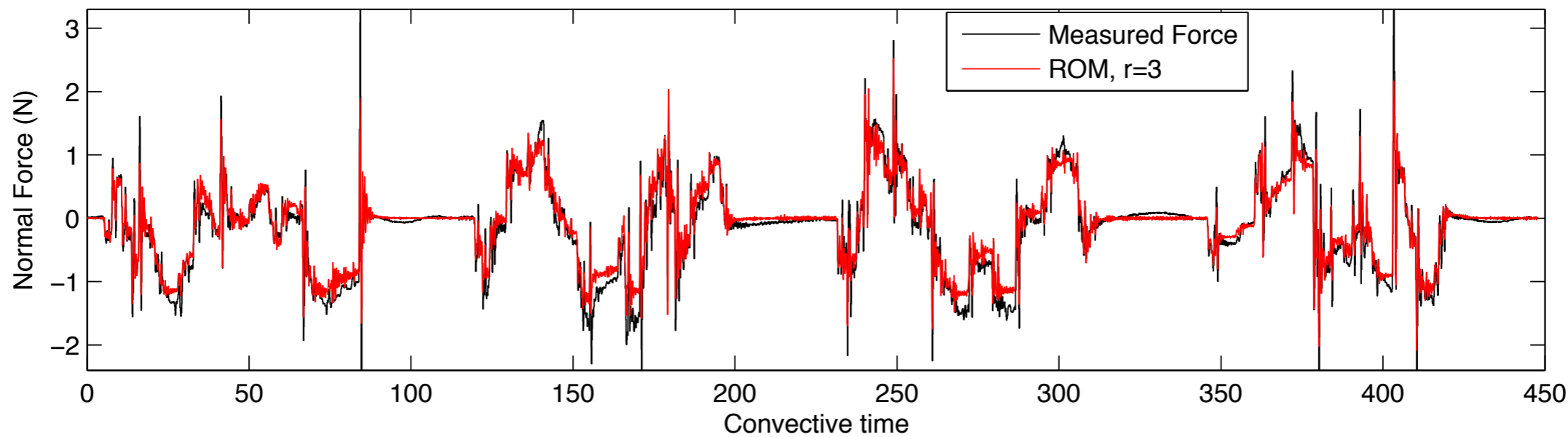
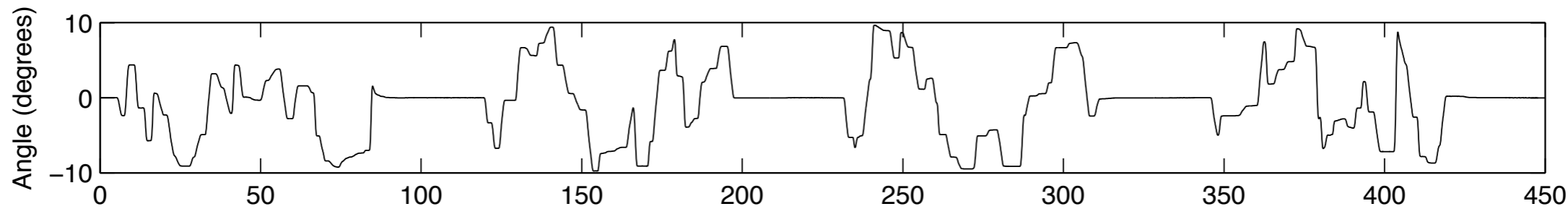


**Idea: lets combine all maneuvers into one large system ID maneuver!**



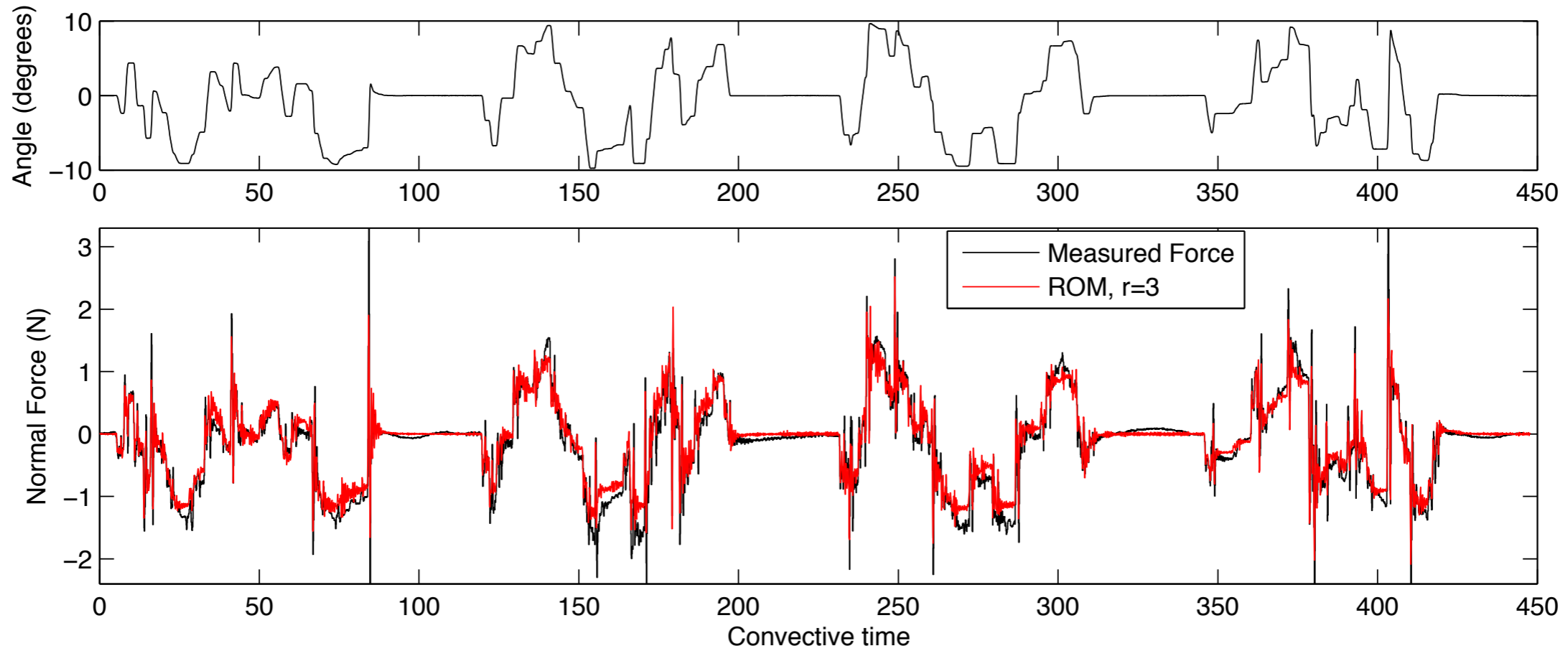


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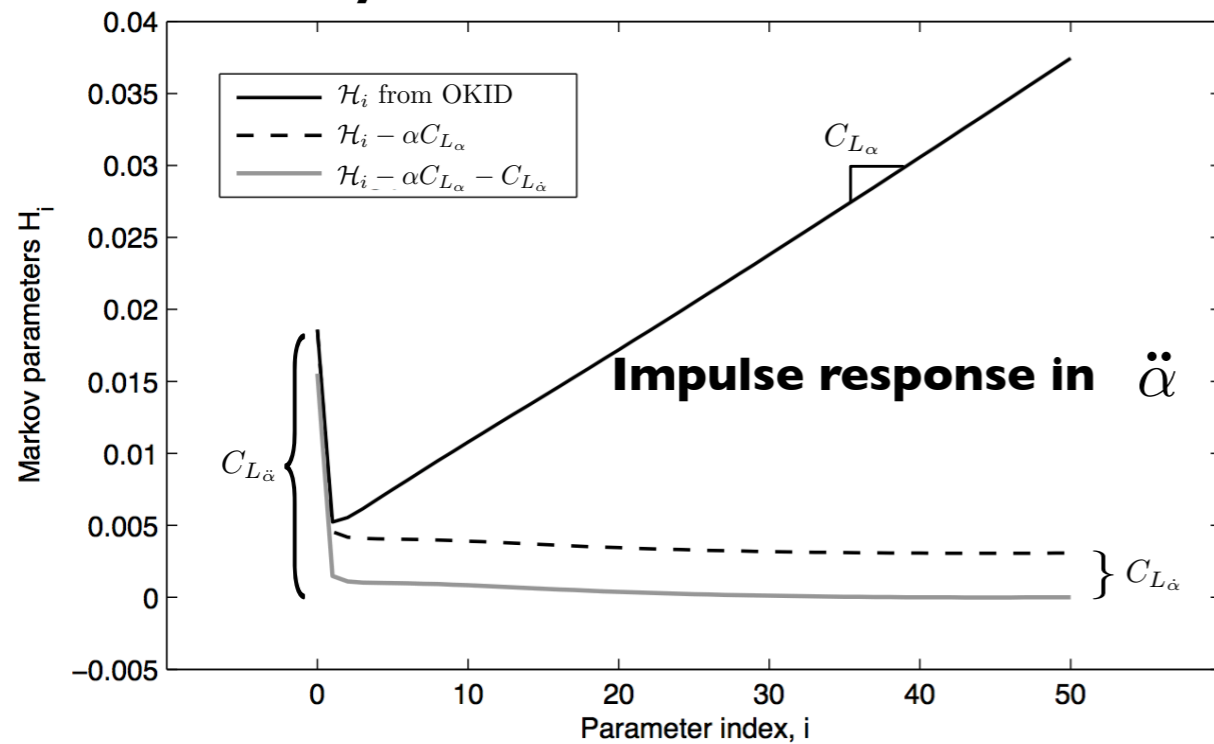




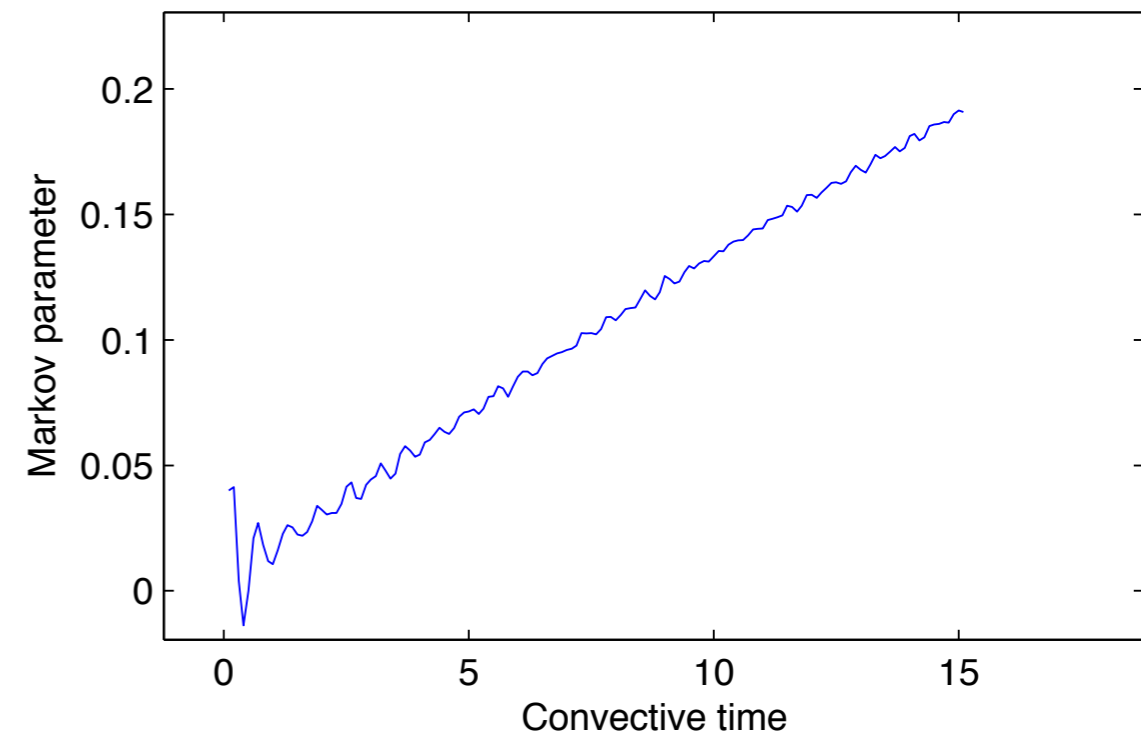
# Model using ALL data



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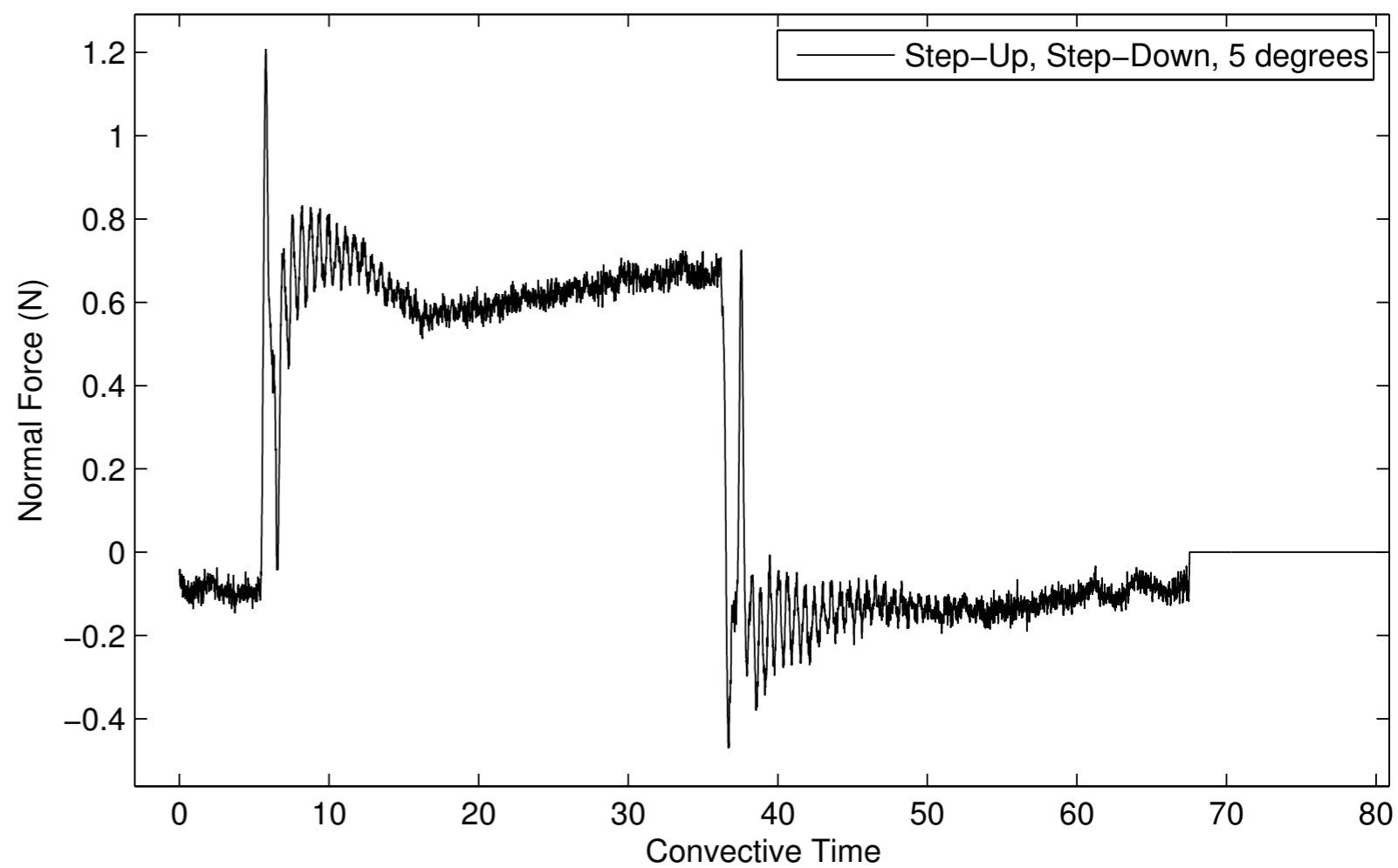


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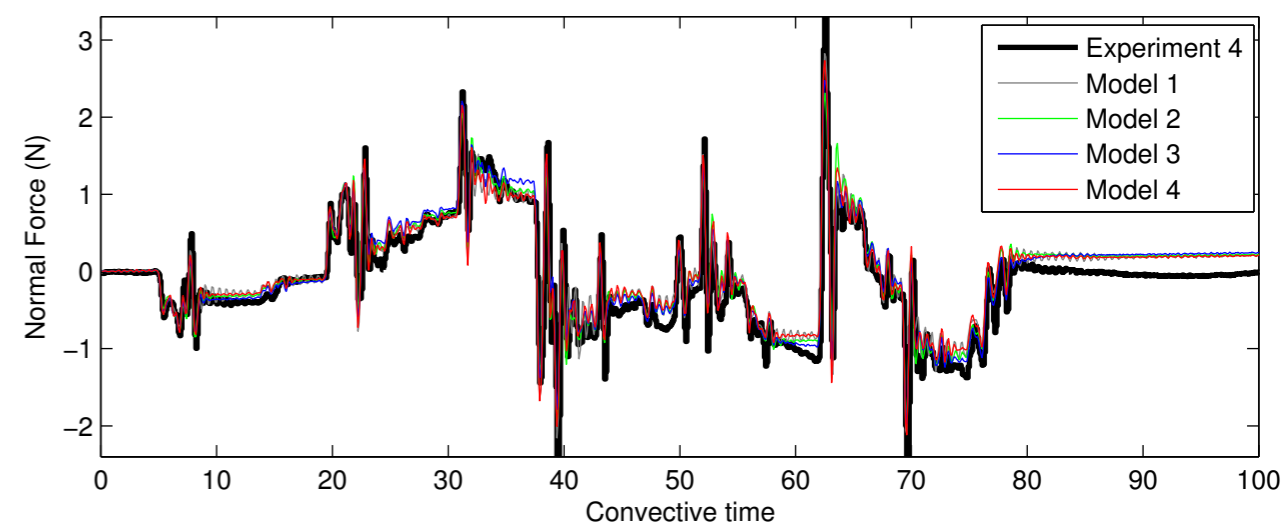
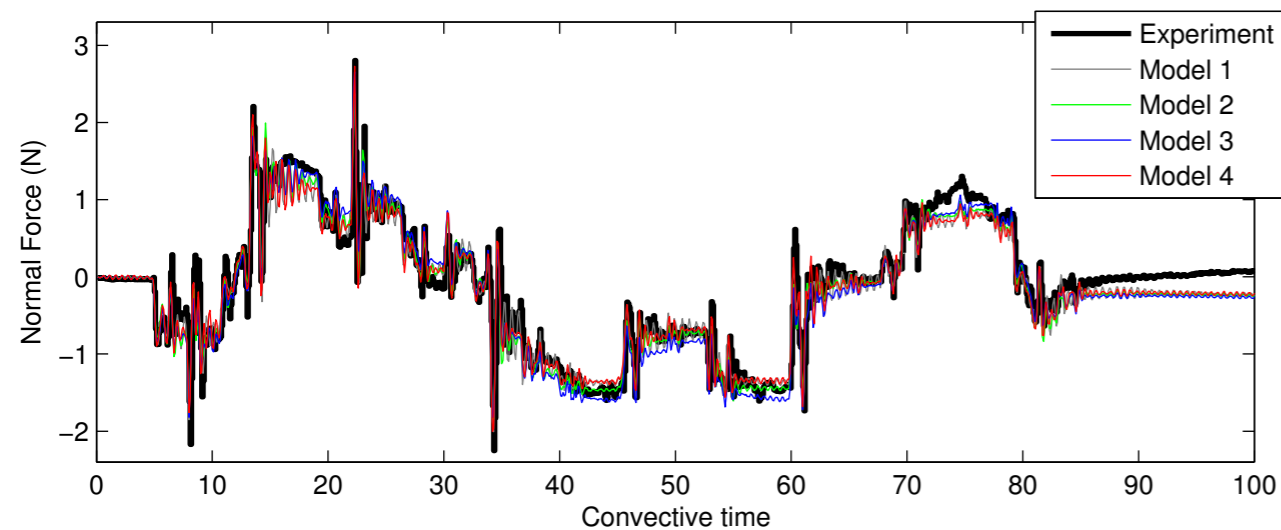
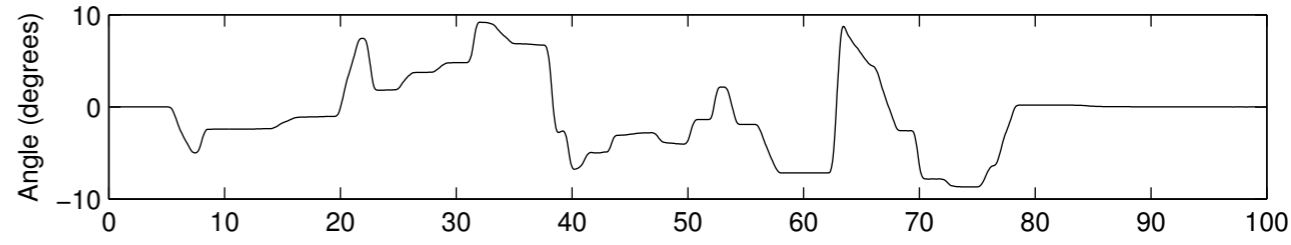
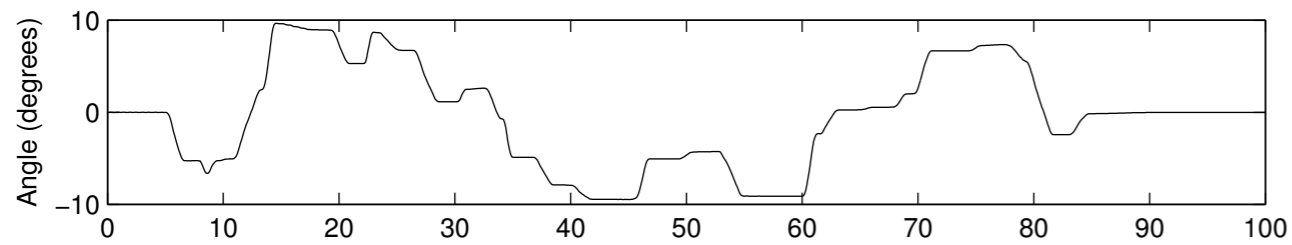
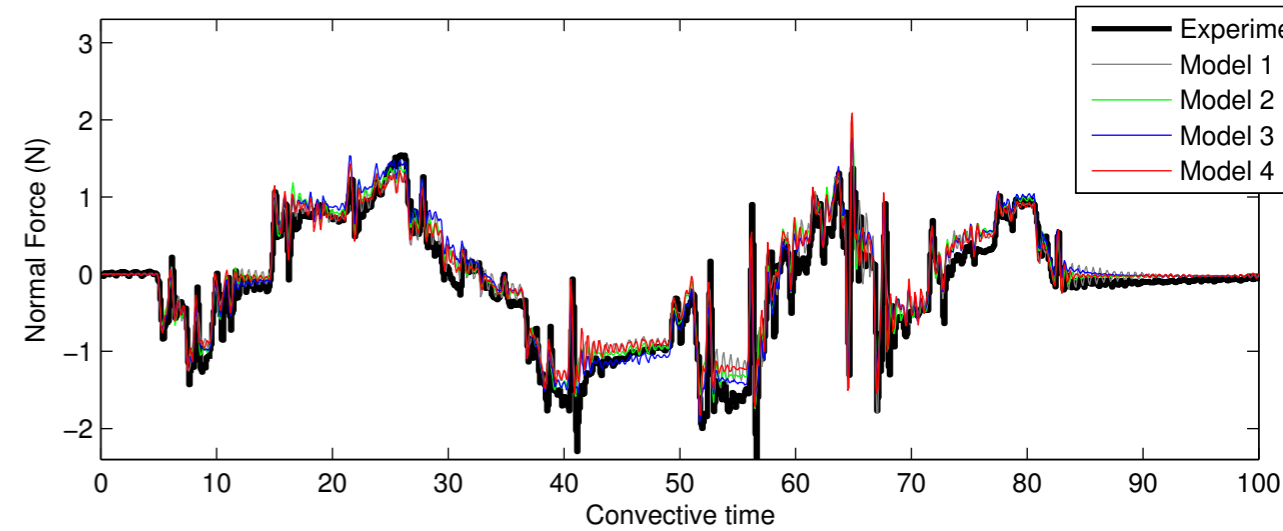
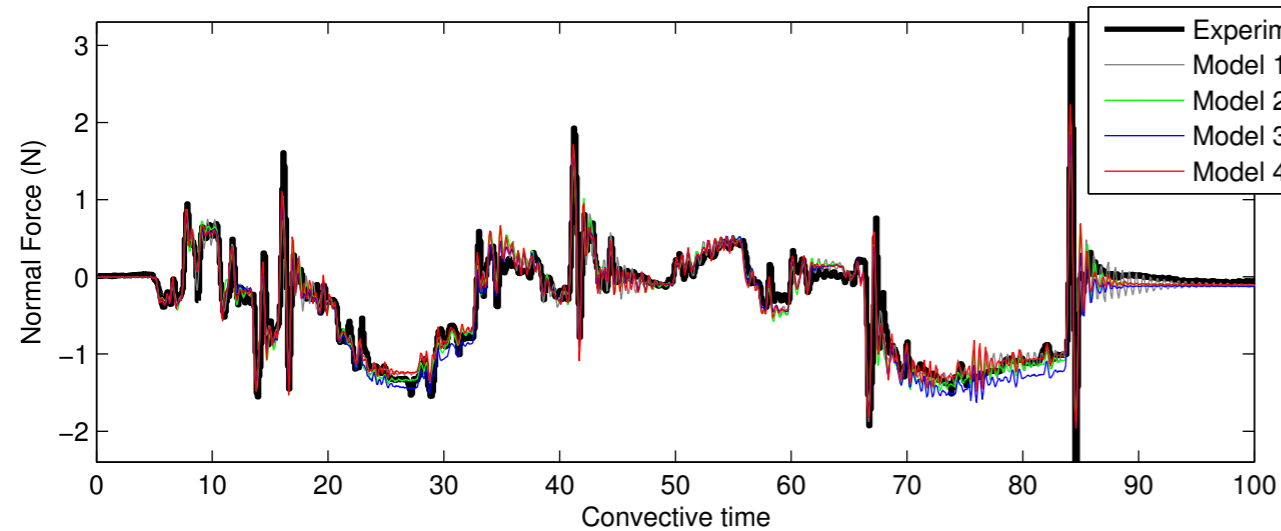
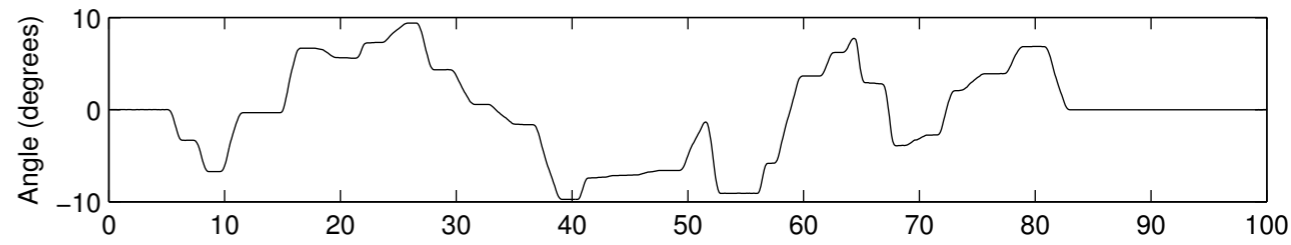
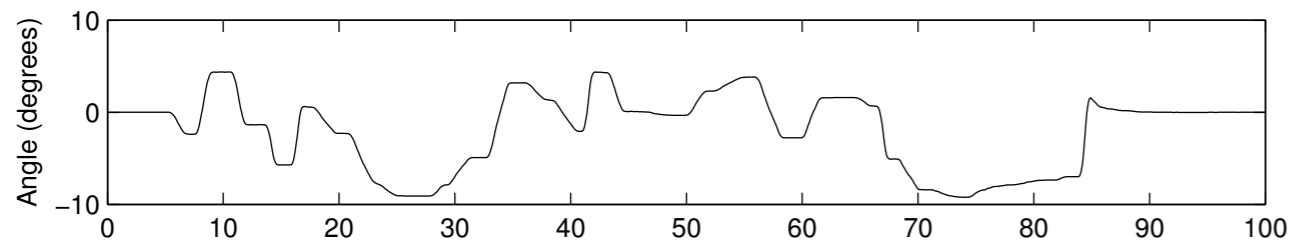


# 30Hz Mechanical Oscillation





# Models agree with data

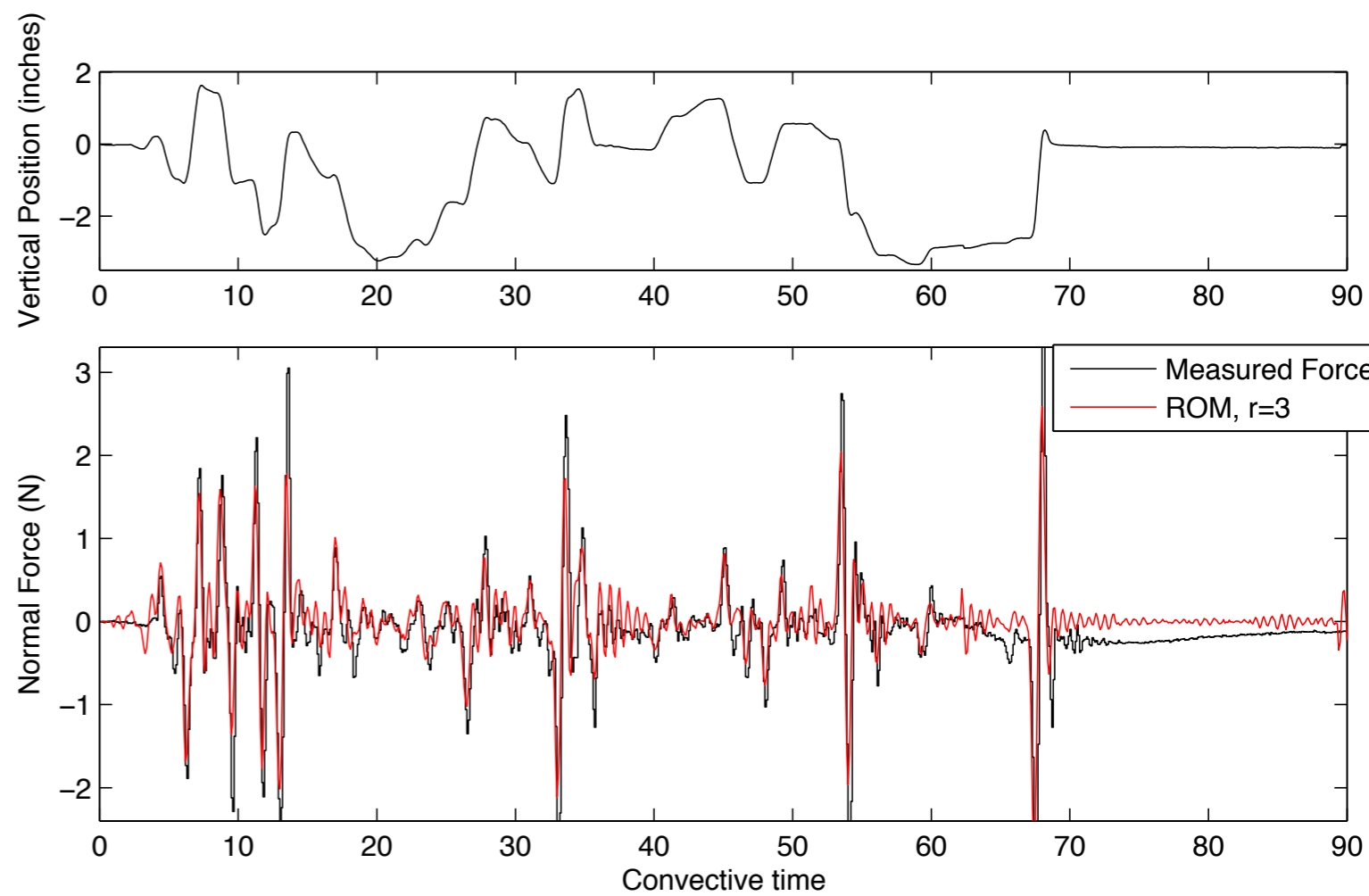
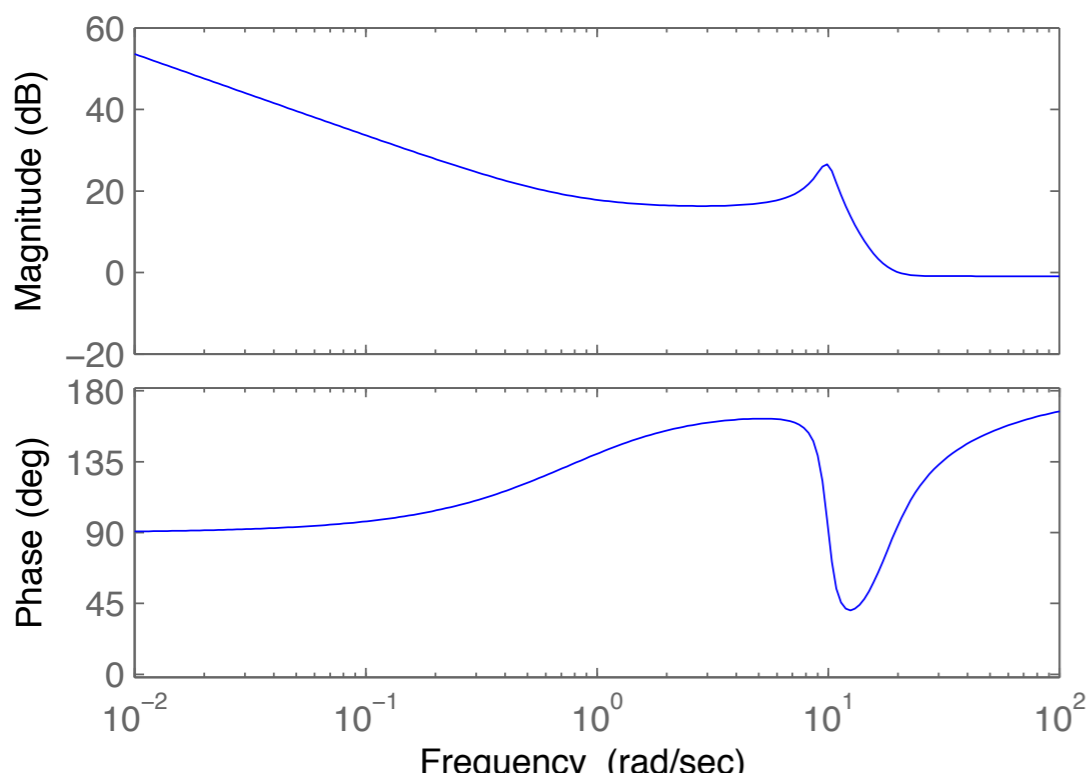




# Model for Plunging



Bode Diagram





# Conclusions



Reduced order model based on indicial response at non-zero angle of attack

- Based on eigensystem realization algorithm (ERA)
- Models appear to capture dynamics up to Hopf bifurcation

Observer/Kalman Filter Identification with more realistic input/output data

- Efficient computation of reduced-order models
- Ideal for simulation or experimental data

Confirmation with experimental data

- Tested modeling procedure in Dave Williams' wind tunnel experiment
- Flexible procedure works with various geometry, Reynolds number

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