AEDC engineers continue to explore grid generation software

By Raquel March
ATA Public Affairs

A major component of the testing environment at AEDC is the ability to perform computational fluid dynamics, or CFD, for a wide variety of flight conditions and physical environments.

James Masters, an AEDC engineer, explained that when using CFD, analysts must first properly define the region of interest so that the physics can properly capture.

“This is done by generating a computational mesh that fills the region and is usually accomplished through tools, such as the software package Pointwise,” he said.

The Pointwise staff has been working with AEDC engineers to incorporate a capability known as overset meshing into their software. With overset meshing, multiple meshes can be used in a single

Above is an example of the overall meshing that can be generated with Pointwise. Overset meshing is used when multiple meshes are needed to better capture complex shapes like those of modern aircraft and test facilities at AEDC. (Image provided)

ASTF marks 30 years since Initial Operational Capability

By Raquel March
ATA Public Affairs

The 30th anniversary of the Aerospace Propulsion System Test Facility achieving initial operational capability was Sept. 26 with the conclusion of a Pratt & Whitney F100 engine test in the facility’s C-1 test cell.

Upon conception of the large engine test facility in 1985, ASTF would provide propulsion testing for aircraft engines which were “becoming more complex, as illustrated by the F70 engine with variable compressor stages and exhaust nozzles, and the TF100 mixed-flow turbine engine,” wrote Dr. Jim Mitchell, then the AEDC Chief Scientist, in an 1984 article for the Complex’s High Mach publication.

Mitchell also wrote about possible plans for ASTF interconnections with the Engine Test Facility on the air side and exhaust side. “This facility is designed to accommodate these connections for two reasons,” he said. “Some future tests in the ASTF will be for a large freighter nozzle for engine inlet testing, will require the added ETF air flow capacity. But the air flow will also go in the other direction, with the ASTF machinery supplying the existing T and J test cells as a backup for the aging ETF machinery. This has been our pattern at AEDC since the beginning. That is, to tie together the various test facilities to get greater and more efficient test capability at minimum cost.”

Night photograph of the Aerospace Propulsion System Test Facility exhaust side. (Photo by Rick Goodfriend)

Revolutionary Change: Col. Todaro announces transition updates for TOs and BCITS contracts

AEDC Commander Col. Rodney Todaro

We have received the Government Accountability Office decision on the Test Operations and Sustainment protest. The GAO denied part of the protest. That means the government has some work to do in certain aspects of the source selection. We don’t know exactly how long this may take. I will keep you informed once a schedule is established.

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What: Holistic Health for Veterans—Physical, Mental, and Spiritual
Where: Nashville, TN 37203
When: November 13, 2015
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Contact: jcn132@my.tnstate.edu to register

Holistic Health for Veterans—Physical, Mental, and Spiritual will discuss ways to improve the health and well-being of Veterans. The Tennessee Department of Veterans Services Commissioner, Mary-Bearc Grinder will give a keynote address.

Active duty armed forces members and Veterans are encouraged to attend.

Free and open to the public. Military families, community members, and organizations that serve Veterans are also encouraged to attend.

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ATA and Jacobs support upcoming UTSI STEM activities

By Deidre Ortiz

With a recent donation of $2,000, the Milliland Oakley STEMmobile, owned and operated by Tennessee Tech University, will soon be coming to University of Tennessee Space Institute. The STEMmobile is scheduled to be on site May 16-22, 2016, at UTSI as part of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Week for area students. STEM Week is designed to present and engage in outreach activities with seventh grade students from the Local Workforce Investment Area which encompasses Franklin, Coffee, Moore, Bedford, Lincoln, Gr Bulky and Warren counties.

This joint effort is in collaboration with the AEDC Fox’s Den and the Hands on Science Center of Tullahoma.

Jeff Haars, ATA deputy general manager, stated ATA fully supports the efforts of educators to engage students in STEM-related activities.

“Helping UTSI host Tennessee Tech’s STEMmobile will expand the reach of these activities and involve local students who would not otherwise be able to participate,” he said. “We are glad to invest in this worthwhile activity.”

Ward Johnson, senior vice president of Jacobs Technology Inc., added that educating America’s youth is important to the company.

“Jacobs is proud to sponsor local STEM programs and we do so across the country,” he said. “Investing in our youth is critical to ensuring our continued success as a nation in the fields of science and technology.”

Further information about STEM Week will be available early next year. Those with questions about STEM Week or the UTSI STEM Program may call 393-7300.

STEMmobile at Oakley Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Center (Photo provided)

During STEM Week at UTSI, students will have the opportunity to explore the STEMmobile, a 53-foot classroom on wheels stocked with educational materials and supplies. The STEMmobile also houses a lending library of instructional materials available for the local educational community.

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to promote AEDC. About 20-25 ACC members schedule appointments with the Tennessee Congressional delegation and key test and evaluation and ground testing officials at the Pentagon to discuss issues facing AEDC.

Members of the council each pay for their trip expenses out-of-pocket. If you are interested in attending the ACC’s annual event, table sponsorships are $700 for gold and $350 for silver; individual seats are $75 per person. Companies and organizations who sponsor at the gold level will receive 10 seats at the event at a reserved table with the sponsor name; 10 ACC individual memberships for one year and recognition in the program, dinner slide show and on the ACC web site. Silver sponsors will receive five reserved seats at the dinner, five ACC memberships for one year and recognition in the program, dinner slide show and on the ACC web site. Silver sponsors will receive five reserved seats at the dinner, five ACC memberships for one year and recognition in the program, dinner slide show and on the ACC web site. Silver sponsors will receive five reserved seats at the dinner, five ACC memberships for one year and recognition in the program, dinner slide show and on the ACC web site.

To sponsor a table or individual seats at the ACC’s annual dinner, email 2015 ACC dinner communityscce@comcast.net or call Jim Jolliffe, (931) 545-9135; Harry Bohrer, (931) 247-5417; or Claude Morse, (931) 247-5711.

The social begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and the official program at 7 p.m.
ENGINEERS throughout the years, to - contract extension with Masters said. relative to one another," allows bodies to move CFD analysis because it complex shapes like those developed during this project will provide analysis en- gineers with automated tools leading to-significant reduction in overall mesh generation workload." The Pointwise soft- ware, and its predecessor programs, have been used extensively at AEDC for many years. According to Masters, there are many aerospace- related applications that exist which require sur- faces during design optimization, where many small perturbations to a given region. This can include bod- ies moving relative to each other as [what] hap- pens during a store sepa- ration event, or surfaces actually changing shape, which happens with ablha- tion and aerelasticity. he said. "It also happens during optimization, where many small perturbations to a given region are by far the most mature and efficient." Masters added there are currently many ways to do overset grid generation, especially store separation, overset tech- niques are by far the most mature and efficient.

The Pointwise software packages. Often involve outdated acting meshes can be eas- ily visualized and prob- lems can be quickly diag- nosed and remedied. This has the potential to greatly improve the efficiency of setting up a CFD case in final lookups and save considerable engineer- ing man-hours.

Due to upgrades throughout the years, in 2012 AEDC provides con- ditioned altitude test air for the ETF J-1 cells as well as the C cells. The sea level test cells also receive test air from AEDC. Air supply tie-ins were completed to those facilities in 2007 elimi- nating the use of 1939 German equipment in the ETF Air Supply B-plume. A ribbon cutting cer- emony in 2012 marked the completion of one of nine project upgrades through the Advanced Large Military Engine Capability program. This project upgrade added "critical test cell cooling capability to the large turbine engine altitude test cells to ensure more reliable sea level testing conditions," said Rick Moore, Mili- tary and the AELMEC program manager in 2012. The C cells are 28 feet in diameter and approxi- mately 45 feet in length. Each cell is capable of testing up to Mach 2.3 and simulating altitudes of up to 70,000 feet. The cells can provide engine test conditions up to 350 degrees Fahrenheit and engine productions up to 100,000 pounds of thrust. Since that initial test, the ETF has conducted the Pratt & Whitney F119 engine in the F-22 and F-35 engines for the F-35 aircraft. Commercial en- gine tests have consisted of turbofan engines such as the Rolls Royce Trent 900 and GE and Pratt & Whitney GT200 for the Airbus A380, the Pratt & Whitney PW6000 for the Activity, the Rolls Royce Trent 1000 for the Boeing 787, the F135 for the Japanese Techni- cal Research and Devel- opment Institute F-1 and Rolls Royce BR725 for the Gulfstream G650.

The installation of new stainless steel ducting and valves with associated hardware underway in 2006 from ETF C-2 Airside Plant to the ASTF test cells as part of the Propulsion Consolidation and Streamlin- ing Program. The PC&S Program Phase IV complet- ed in 2007, enabled AEDC to shut down the 1950s- era ETF B-Airside Plant and provide the initial ca- pability for concurrent turbine engine sea level and altitude testing. These upgrades eliminated the past conditions of handling the rust generated with the carbon steel ducting. (Photo by David Housh)

November 1972 – A contract was awarded to the architectural-engineer- ing joint venture firm of Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall for the design of the Aeronautical Systems Test Facility. March 1975 – The first design pack- ages for the ASTF were delivered to the Corps of Engineers, Mobile District, by DMJM/Norman. May 13, 1977 – Groundbreaking cer- emonies were held at the construction site marking the official beginning of the construction project. August 4, 1977 – A ribbon cutting ceremony for the construction package. August 10, 1977 – The ASTF construc- tion contract was awarded to a joint venture of Morison-Knudsen Co. Inc., American Bridge Division of U.S. Steel, and Fascicchio, Inc. September 7th – Site preparation for the ASTF construction began. Spring 1978 – Construction began. March 1980 – A major cris, with a lift- ing capacity of 1.2 million pounds, lifted one of the largest components of the test facility, a cooling equipment section weighing 200,000 pounds, into place. May 1987 – The first of two ASTF test cells was put into place. October 1988 – The world’s largest butterfly valve was installed. The valve, listed in the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest in diameter, weighs 170 tons. November 1962 – November 1962 – Two electrical trans- formers were energized, marking the first major step to powering the facility. November 1962 – The first piece of equipment was hoisted into place. March 1984 – Installation and check of the Variable Frequency Starting System was completed approximately five months ahead of schedule by Swensson partner- ners. April 1984 – One of the ASTF’s 52,500-horsepower air supply compressors was started and accelerated to 3,000 revolutions per minute, a major step to achieving sea level capability. September 1984 – AEDC received an operational F100 engine in test from the Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The engine was to be used to verify that ASTF can safely conduct testing. September 1984 – The first phase of the Test Instrumentation System, the prime engine parameter system, was delivered to AEDC by Grumman Data Systems. The TIS will acquire, condi- tion, process, record and display engine data from the facility’s test cells. October 2, 1984 – The dedi- cation ceremony.

ASTF Build Highlights and Milestones

November 1985 – An F100 engine test was successfully run in C-1 for more than an hour at a simulated flight con- dition of 16,000 feet altitude and 0.8 Mach number. June 1985 – The Automatic Test Con- trol System, that will automatically control the setting of engine altitude test conditions in the ASTF, was delivered by Science Applications International Corporation. September 1985 – The first full-scale test at the AS1 IPS test cell was successfully conducted with an engine simulator in test cell C-1. April 1985 – An F100 turbofan engine was successfully run in C-1 for more than an hour at a simulated flight con- dition of 16,000 feet altitude and 0.8 Mach number. August 1985 – The first F100 engine test was successfully run in C-1. AEDC received an operational F100 engine in test from the Aeronautical Systems Division, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The engine was to be used to verify that ASTF can safely conduct testing.
With winter and flu season fast approaching, we each need to do our part to avoid exposure to the disease. Prevention starts with an understanding how the flu is spread. That makes coughing or sneezing a prime culprit in spreading the flu.

When the inside of your nose gets a tickle, a message is sent to your brain’s “sneeze center” which sends a message to the muscles that work together to create the sneeze. These include the abdominal and chest muscles, diaphragm, muscles that control your vocal cords, those in the back of your throat, and your eye-lid muscles. It’s impossible to keep your eyes open when you sneeze. The sneeze center makes all these muscles work in just the right order, to send that irritating particle out of your nose - at speeds up to 100 mph.

So how far does a sneeze travel? Since they are very small in size, sneeze droplets soon reach terminal velocity and start drifting in air (just like a cloud). Hence, they can travel any distances depending on air current. When they encounter some substance (maybe a coworker) they settle down to transfer the infection.

These tips can help you avoid coughs, colds, and flu:

- **Practice good respiratory hygiene:** Covering your mouth and nose by coughing or sneezing into a tissue, not into your hand or into the air. If you don’t have a tissue handy, your upper sleeve will do.
- **Keep your hands clean:** Wash your hands with antibacterial soap and warm water for 15-20 seconds several times a day. Use alcohol-based hand wipes or gel sanitizers if soap isn’t available.
- **Don’t touch:** The most common way to catch the flu is to touch your own eyes, nose or mouth with germy hands. So keep your hands clean and away from your face.
- **Eat, drink and be healthy:** Eat a well-balanced diet; drink plenty of fluids, especially water. Increase your vitamin C intake.
- **Don’t stress out:** Get plenty of sleep and exercise regularly. We are more prone to becoming ill when stressed out. Get some fresh air or a change of scenery during work breaks for a calming effect.
- **Learn to recognize flu symptoms:** These include a high fever, headache and muscle aches, extreme fatigue, sore throat, dry cough, runny/stuffy nose and stomach symptoms.
- **Don’t share:** Keep your distance if you are sick or around someone else who is sick. If you get the flu, don’t come to work where there’s a good chance you’ll spread it to coworkers. Stay in bed for a couple of days.
- **Get a flu shot:** Check with your health care provider or pharmacist. Many pharmacies offer the vaccine without an appointment. Most insurance policies cover most or all of the cost.

**Catch that sneeze please**

**Stop the spread of germs that make you and others sick!**

**Cover your Cough**

**Clean your Hands**

**after coughing or sneezing:**

**Flu season has arrived!**

Getting a flu shot is the best way to help prevent influenza, and early immunization is key to protecting yourself and your family members. Here, AFMC Vice Commander Maj. Gen. Warren Berry receives his flu vaccine from Senior Airman. Stewart Holliday of the 88th Medical Group on Sept. 29. TRICARE continues to provide shots for all active duty members, military retirees and military family members. Non-Tricare DoD civilians are encouraged to get the flu immunization using their Federal Employee Health Benefits Program. (U.S. Air Force photo)
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio – During the month of October, Air Force Materiel Command will promote Depression Awareness. As part of its Mental Fitness Campaign, AFMC will inform the workforce about the signs and symptoms of depression, offer anonymous behavioral health screenings, and promote mental fitness assistance programs and services.

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, depression is highly treatable when an individual receives competent care.

“The campaign’s goal is to reduce the stigma associated with seeking help for depression and other mental health issues,” said Greg Chadwick, AFMC Health and Wellness Coordinator. This question and answer guide explains depression and the importance of seeking professional consultation.

How does depression differ from feeling sad?

Everyone occasionally feels sad or down, but these feelings usually pass within a few days. The NIMH reports that someone with depression experiences extreme sadness or despair for at least two weeks or longer and these feelings are interfering with activities of daily living, you may be interested in a mental health screening. An anonymous and confidential depression online screening is offered on our website at AFMC-wellness.com. Screening results are educational, not diagnostic, but are provided so participants may find out quickly if a professional consultation would be helpful.

Where can I go for help?

Professional counseling services are available for the AFMC workforce and their families. Active-duty personnel may contact their local mental health clinic for services. Military OneSource is another option for military members and their families. For more information, call (800) 342-9647 or visit militaryonesource.mil. Civilian employees may contact the Employee Assistance Program for free, confidential counseling services at (800) 222-0364 or visit the EAP website at FOH4You.com. For more information about depression education materials, visit AFMCwellness.com or contact your local Civilian Health Promotion Services team. See the “Find Help?” infobox.

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**AFMC wingmen continue to take action**

By Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs

W R I G H T- P A T T O N S O N AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio -- Air Force Materiel Command’s culture of respect and resiliency is still going strong, and Airmen across the command continue to prove their dedication to that culture through their actions as wingmen.

“In AFMC, and across the Air Force, we accomplish our mission as civilian and military through their actions as Airmen,” a time-honored tradition that the wingmen of our command who look out for the welfare of their colleagues and community,” said Jennifer Trim, AFMC Community Support Coordinator. “Every Air Force officer, enlisted member and civilian is an Airman. The term wingmen stems from a time-honored tradition within our Air Force flying community that says a wingman will always stay with and protect the lead pilot, watching his or her back. It is a promise, a pledge, a commitment between Airmen. We’re proud to have so many true wingmen in our command who continue to prove their strong, and Airmen continue to hold to the concept of wingman in the military.”

In one example of successful wingman intervention, an employee displayed increasing stress and anxiety over a period of three days and mentioned to a co-worker that she was considering suicide. The co-worker called the Employee Assistance Program and escorted the employee to meet a counselor. The concerned behavior of the wingman prevented a potentially tragic outcome.

In another situation, a deputy flight commander received a call from one of his Airmen who was on leave and also enrolled with the ADAPT program. The Airmen was clearly under the influence, so the wingman drove the Airmen to his home and found him in a vehicle with nine empty beer cans. The wingmen took the Airmen to the emergency room, mental health and ADDAPT, where the Airmen received in-patient care for addiction. By creating a rapport with his Airmen that made them comfortable in reaching out for help, the deputy flight commander was able to stay engaged, prevent the Airmen from divorcing under the influence and limited the severity of the Airmen’s relapse.

In a third example, a male active duty dependent tested his friend, another dependent, with threats of suicide. The friend immediately notified his active duty sponsor, who notified security forces. When they were unable to reach the male dependent, security forces traced the signals from his cell phone and contacted police in his location – 60 miles away. The wingmen took the friend to the emergency room, and the concerned security guard treated the wingman for a stress-related injury.

In yet another circumstance, while TDF wingsmen provided physical and emotional support to a classmate who had a serious allergic reaction to food. The wingmen first tried to assist with over the counter reactions they caused but contacted local hospitals. The wingmen took the friend to the emergency room, treated the classmate immoderately. The doctor explained that without the medication the wingmen initially provided, the victim would have died within minutes. The attentive and determined attitude of the Airmen ensured medical treatment to avert the life-threatening event.

AFMC has been consistently building the concept of wingmen intervention since 2013. By building upon a culture of awareness helping behavioral health to receive intervention, development of skills and confidence to intervene safely and assist when necessary, and the strengthened and well-being of self and others.

If you become aware of situations in which your personnel have recognized an-risk behaviors and proactively inter- vened, please contact your local Community Support Coordinator.

**Twelve microphones, five single-axis accelerometers and four triaxle accelerometers were mounted in the cargo compartment of a C-5M Super Galaxy to collect interior noise and vibration data during a flight Sept. 24, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Charles Ricez.</p>
AEDC Woman’s Club
falls into planting

By Jo Todd
AEDC Woman’s Club

The November meeting of the AEDC Woman’s Club will be Nov. 3, 9:30 a.m. at the Arnold Lakeside Center.

Don Shadow of Shadow’s Nursery in Huntland will be the presenter. Shadow is a fourth-generation nurseryman, operating his own nursery since 1973. He focuses on species and cultivars that he describes as new and useful. He also promotes color as an important aspect. Shadow is recognized nationally and internationally as an expert plantsman and horticulturist.

The October meeting table donations of $125 went to the organization “5 Loaves 4 Kids.” The donations at the November meeting will go to the Wounded Warrior organization.

The social hour of the meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. with the business meeting and program beginning at 10 a.m.

Reservations and cancellations for the meeting must be made no later than noon, Oct. 27. Make reservations or cancellations by calling 393-2552 or 931-636-4152.

Disclaimer: This is a private organization which is not part of the Department of Defense or any of its components and has no governmental status.

AEDC Woman’s Club president, Kate Canady, fourth from the left, greets the group “Triquetra and One Random Guy” an Irish step dancers group of Wartrace, who performed at the Oct. 6 meeting of the club. Members of the group pictured here are (left to right) Philip Sugg, Tracy H. Sugg, Colt Sugg, Crimson Rose Sugg and Robert P. Sugg. The dance group may be followed on Facebook under the name “Triquetra Irish Step Dancers and one random guy.” (Photo provided)

Irish dancers ‘step it up’
By Air Force Material Command Logistics

**Workforce Development Branch**

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio – Air Force Material Command has developed the Logistics Professional Development Program for civilian and military employees, working in logistics at a career level. Those who are looking to formulate a career plan, determine job-related continuous learning objectives, and enhance their professional credentials.

LPPD currently consists of three certification programs targeting specific workforce categories within logistics:

- **Professional Maintenance Certification Program** (PMCP)
- **Professional Deployment/Disbursement and Transportation Certification Program** (PD/ DTP)
- **Professional Supply Management Certification Management Program** (PSMCP)

AFMC offers professional logistics certification programs in coordination and will be published when the review process is complete in early 2016. Information and application forms for each certification program, as well as a list of foul’s local LPDP coordinators, can be found at https://elic.wright-patt.af.mil/sites/afmc/Logistics/ Workforce-Development/Workforce-Development.aspx. The next open application window for the Logistics Professional Certification Program will begin on October 19, 2015 and continue through February 12, 2016. All applicants are encouraged to work on training and education requirements throughout the year and apply during the open seasons, which begin in March and June. Applicants are encouraged to contact their local point of contact early in the application process and submit their packages.

According to San-Drella Wimberly, AFMC Logistics Professional Certification Chief, "LPPD provides a professional development framework for consistent expectations, increases the market value of logistics professionals in a highly competitive environment, and enhances our focus on understanding where we fit in the big picture."