Intelligent Strain Sensing on a Smart Composite Wing using Extrinsic Fabry-Perot Interferometric Sensors and Neural Networks.

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Motivation and Problem Description

- Aerodynamic parameter prediction
 Strain: different points on wing
- Varying conditions
 - > Angle-of-attack & air speed
- Neural network modeling
- Stall Prediction







Intelligent Sensing System

- Fiber Optic Sensing System:
 > Absolute strain measurement
 - Many advantages
- Neural Networks:
 - Function approximators
 - Intelligent system







Fiber Optic Sensors



Extrinsic Fabry-Perot Interferometric (EFPI) Sensor





Experimentation





Top View



Sensor placement

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Experimentation (Contd.)



Measurement of angle-of-attack

- Key Strain points Measured
- Variation in Pressure: 0 to 460 Pa
- Variation in angle-of-attack: -1.627° to 4.31°







Neural Network Modeling

Neural network trained on two types of data

- Max and Min strain
- Average Strain









Training on Max Strain- Results







Training on Min Strain-Results









Training on Average Strain









Results: Contd.

Average errors in the test set

	Sensor		
	S1	S2	S3
Max Strain	4.05%	0.71%	2.08%
Min Strain	8.35%	1.92%	0.94%
Average Strain	3.70%	2.03%	1.05%







Conclusion and Future Work

- Predicted Strain compared with actual strain: tool to predict stall
- Neural network modeling: easy to implement and good accuracy
- Future work:
 - > Improve accuracy in measurement techniques
 - Optimal sensor location algorithms
 - Simulation of stall condition



