



# Introduction and Case Descriptions for the Sonic Boom Prediction Workshop

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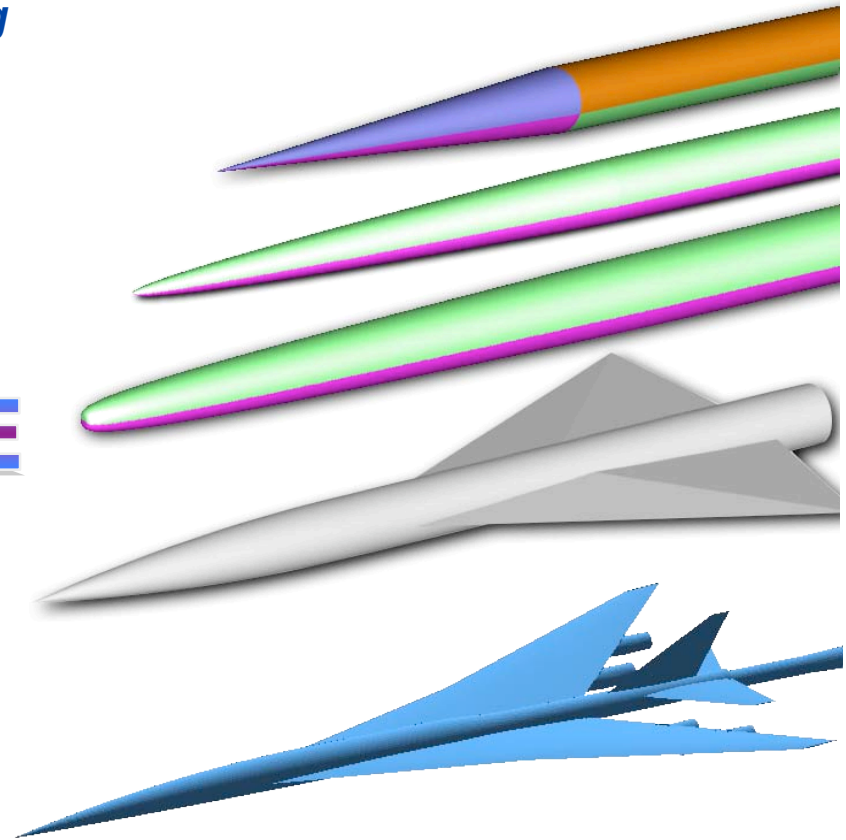
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**AIRPLANE**

Cart3D

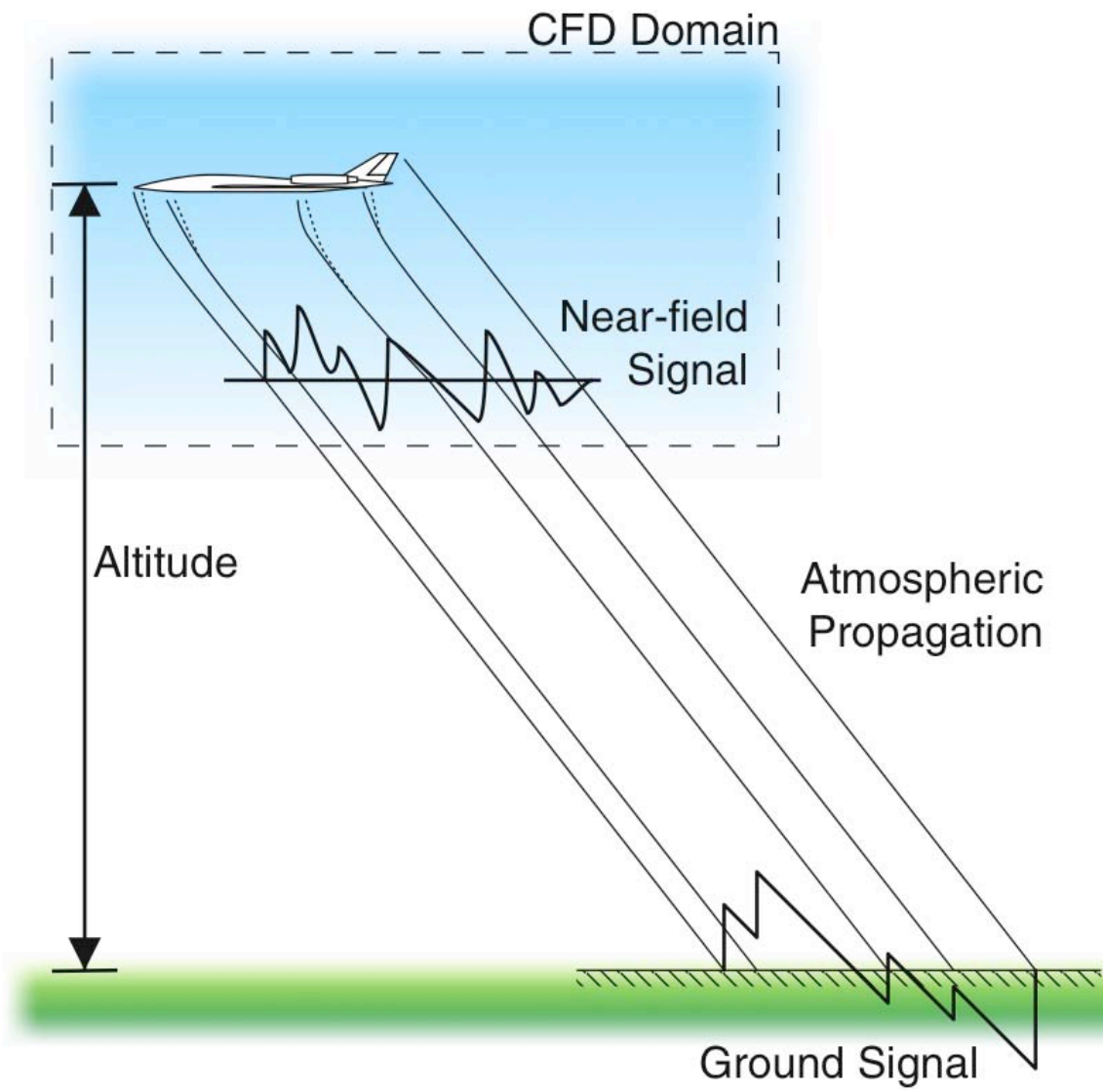


**USM3D**





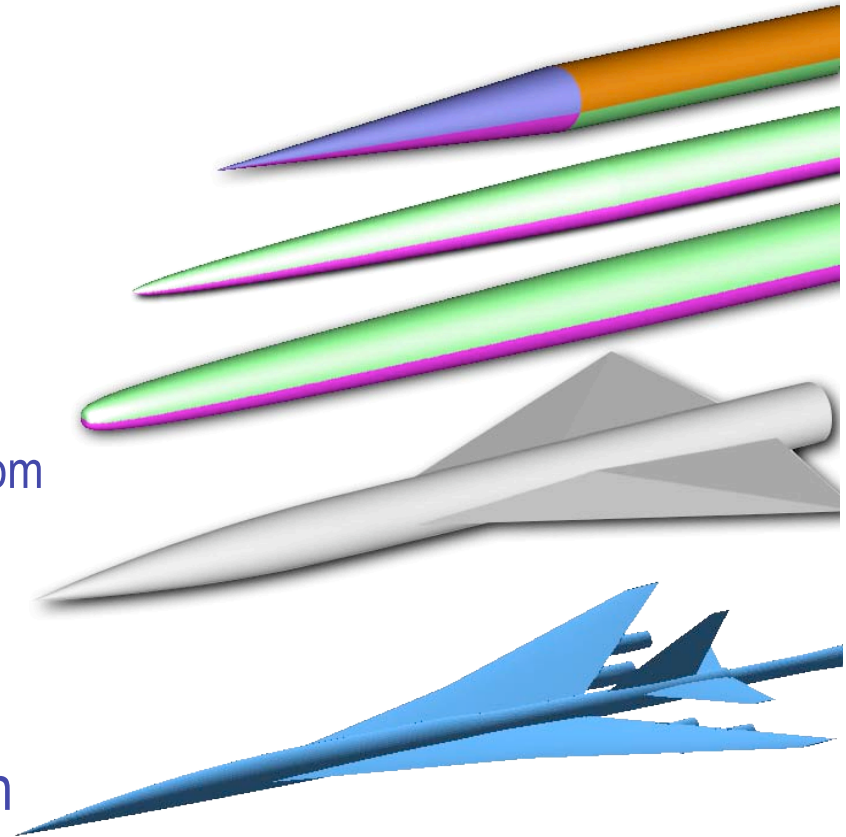
# Sonic Boom Analysis





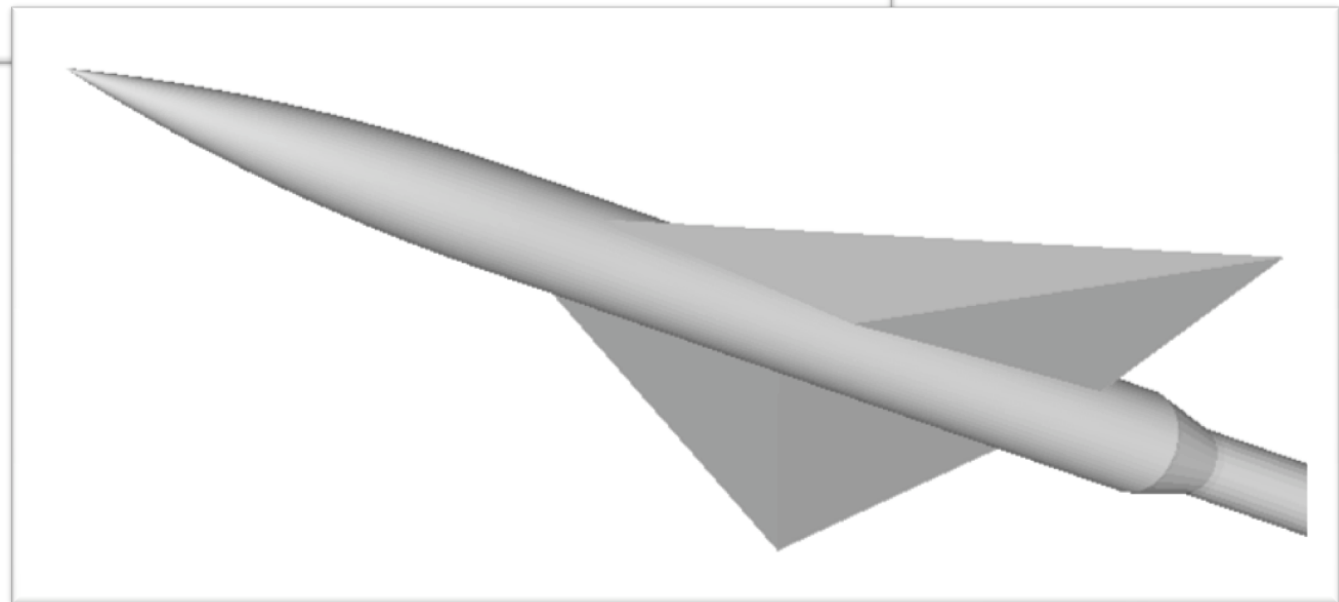
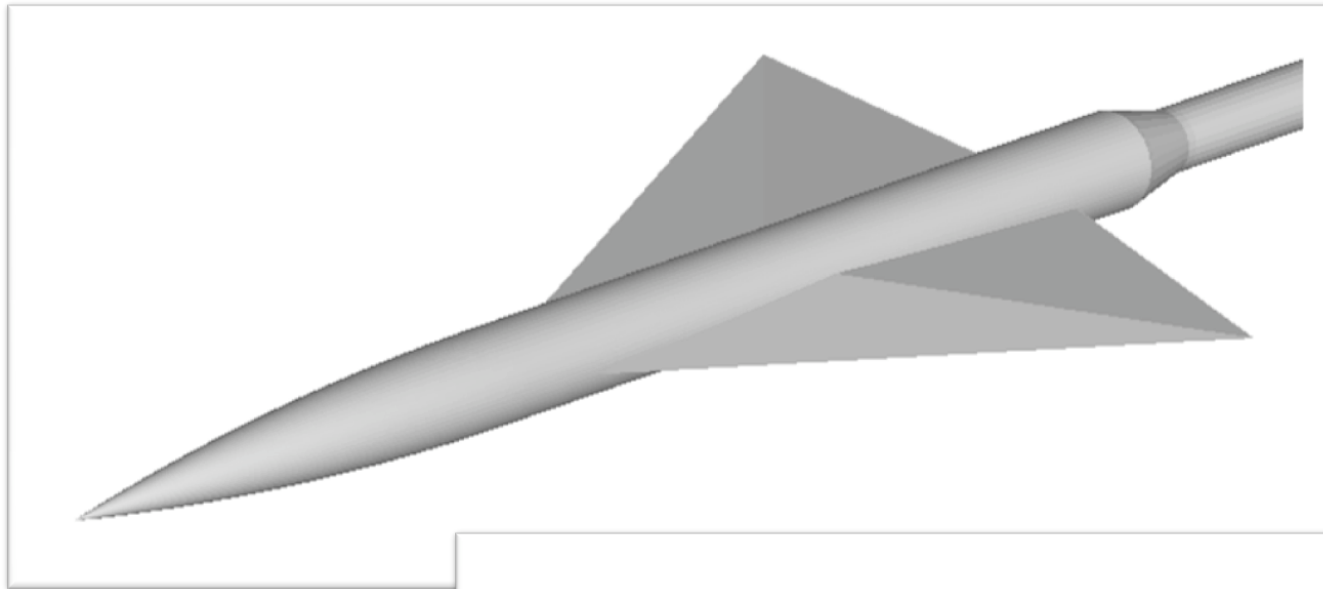
# Validation Geometry Selection (experimental models)

- 6.48 degree Cone-Cylinder
  - Finite rise pressure signature
- Parabolic body of revolution
  - Representative of a typical transport vehicle fuselage
- Quartic body of revolution
  - Large bow shock simulation and low boom shape
- 69 degree swept Delta-Wing-Body
  - Simple lifting configuration
- Ames Low Boom Wing-Body-Tail with nacelles and B.L. diverters (LBWT)
  - Representative of low sonic boom complete configuration



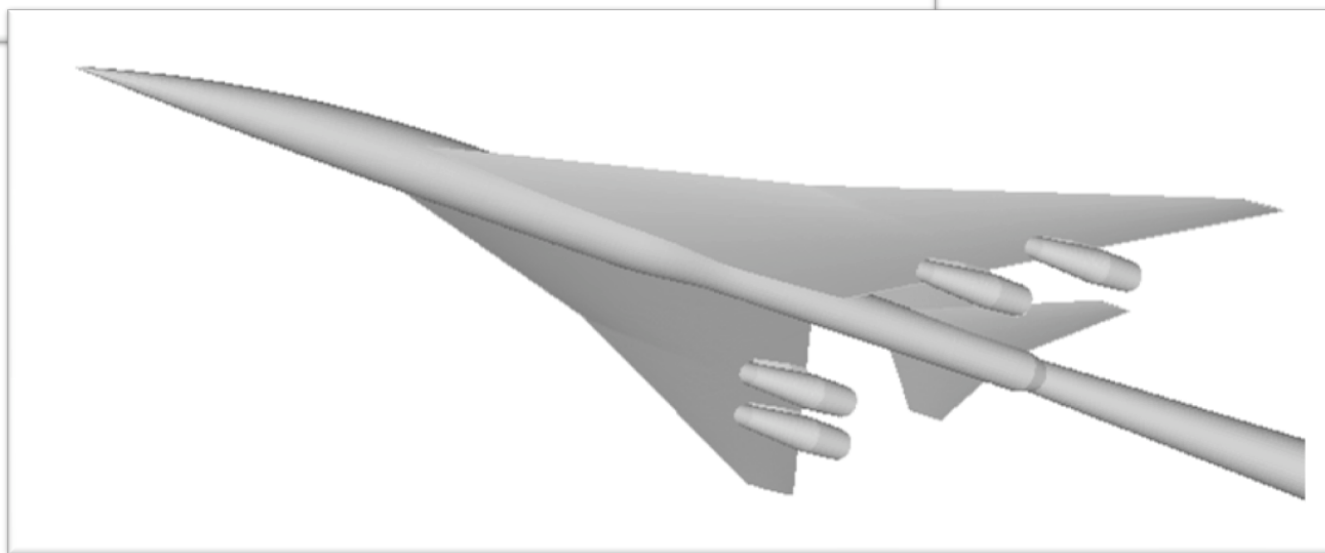
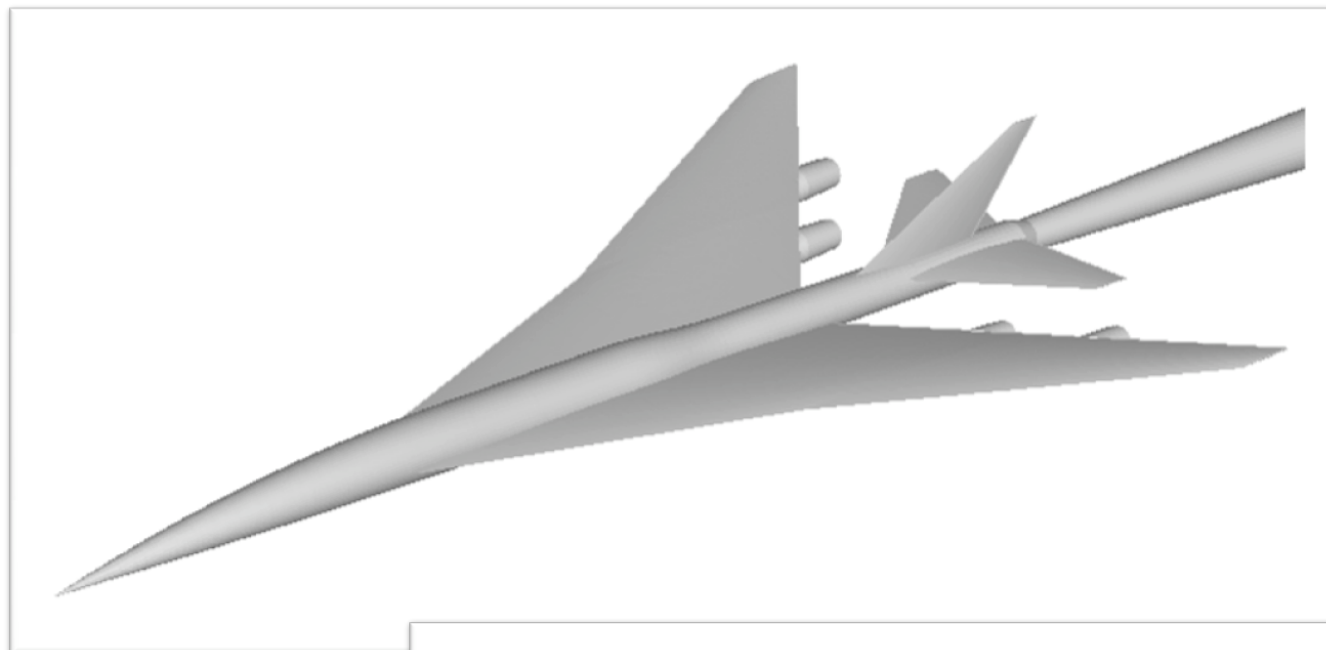


# Delta Wing Fuselage





# Low Boom Wing Tail



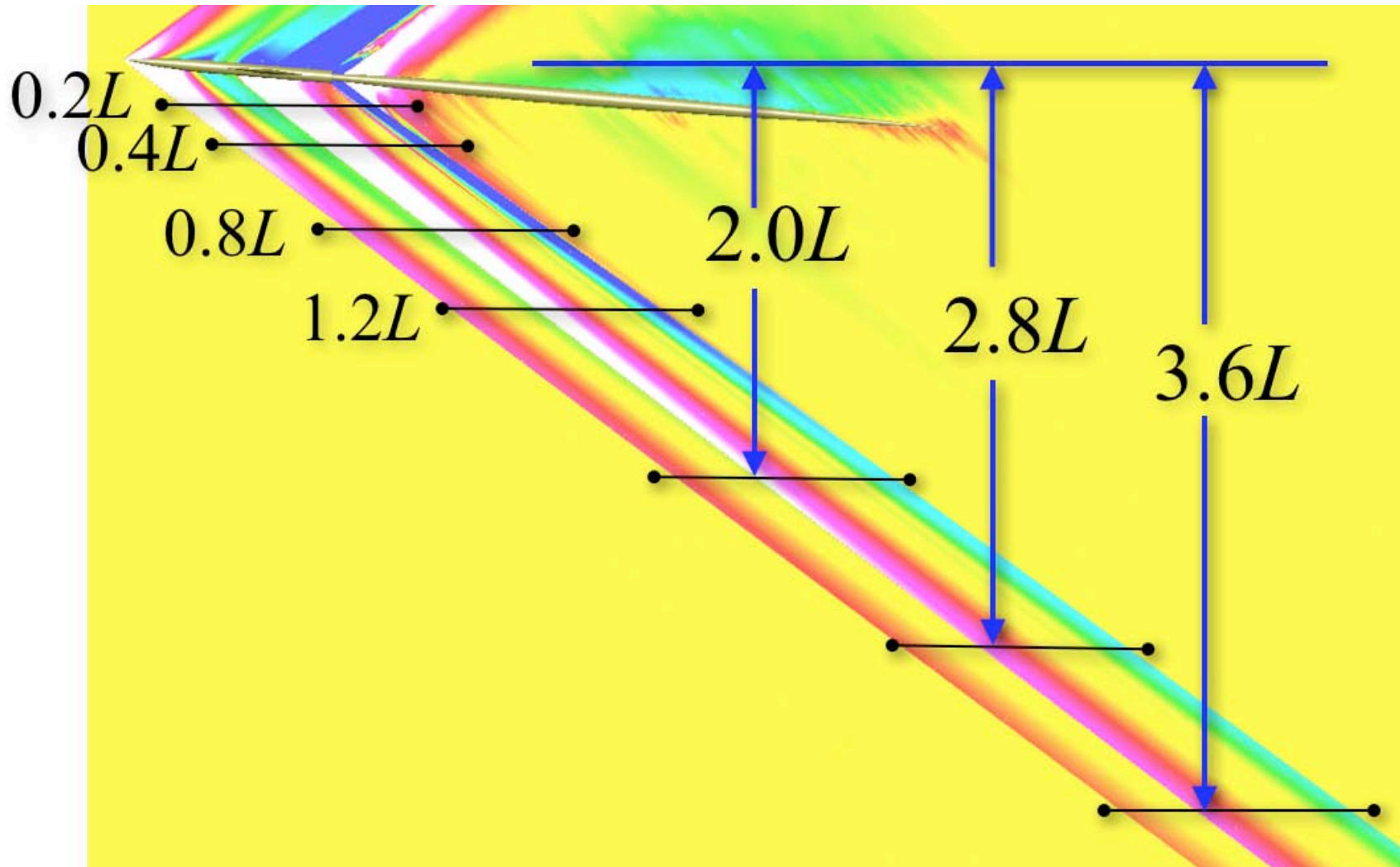


## Experimental Validation Cases

Configuration	Mach	AoA	h/l	Report no.
6.48° Cone-Cylinder; L=8.6 units	1.68	0.0	10.0	NASA TM X-2219
Parabolic Body of Revolution; $r=f(x^{**0.5})$ ; L=2.0 units	1.41	0.0	10.0	NASA TN D-3106
Quartic Body of Revolution; $r=f(x^{**0.25})$ ; L=2.0 units	1.41	0.0	10.0	NASA TN D-3106
69° Swept Delta-Wing-Body; L=17.52 units	1.68	4.74	3.6	NASA TN D-7160
Ames Low Boom Wing-Body-Tail (LBWT) with 4 nacelles, L=12.0	2.0	2.0	1.167	NASA CP-1999-209699



# Computational Study of Near Field Signatures For the $69^\circ$ Swept Delta-Wing Body



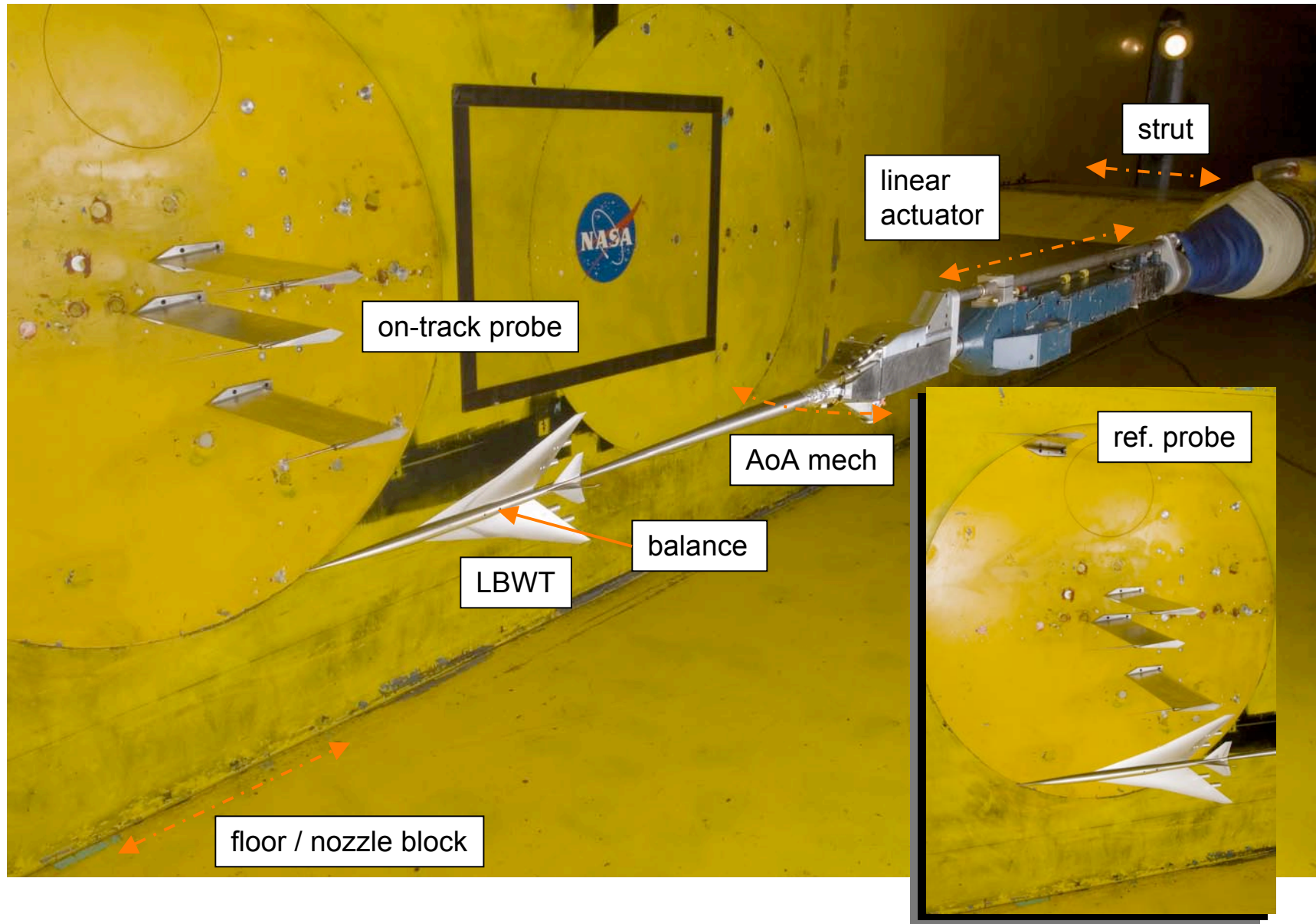


## Experimental Data

- NASA Ames 9x7 Unitary Plan Wind Tunnel (UPWT)
  - Cone-Cylinder
  - 69° Swept Delta-Wing-Body
  - Ames Low Boom Wing-Body-Tail (LBWT)
- NASA Langley 4x4 UPWT
  - Parabolic Body of Revolution
  - Quartic Body of Revolution

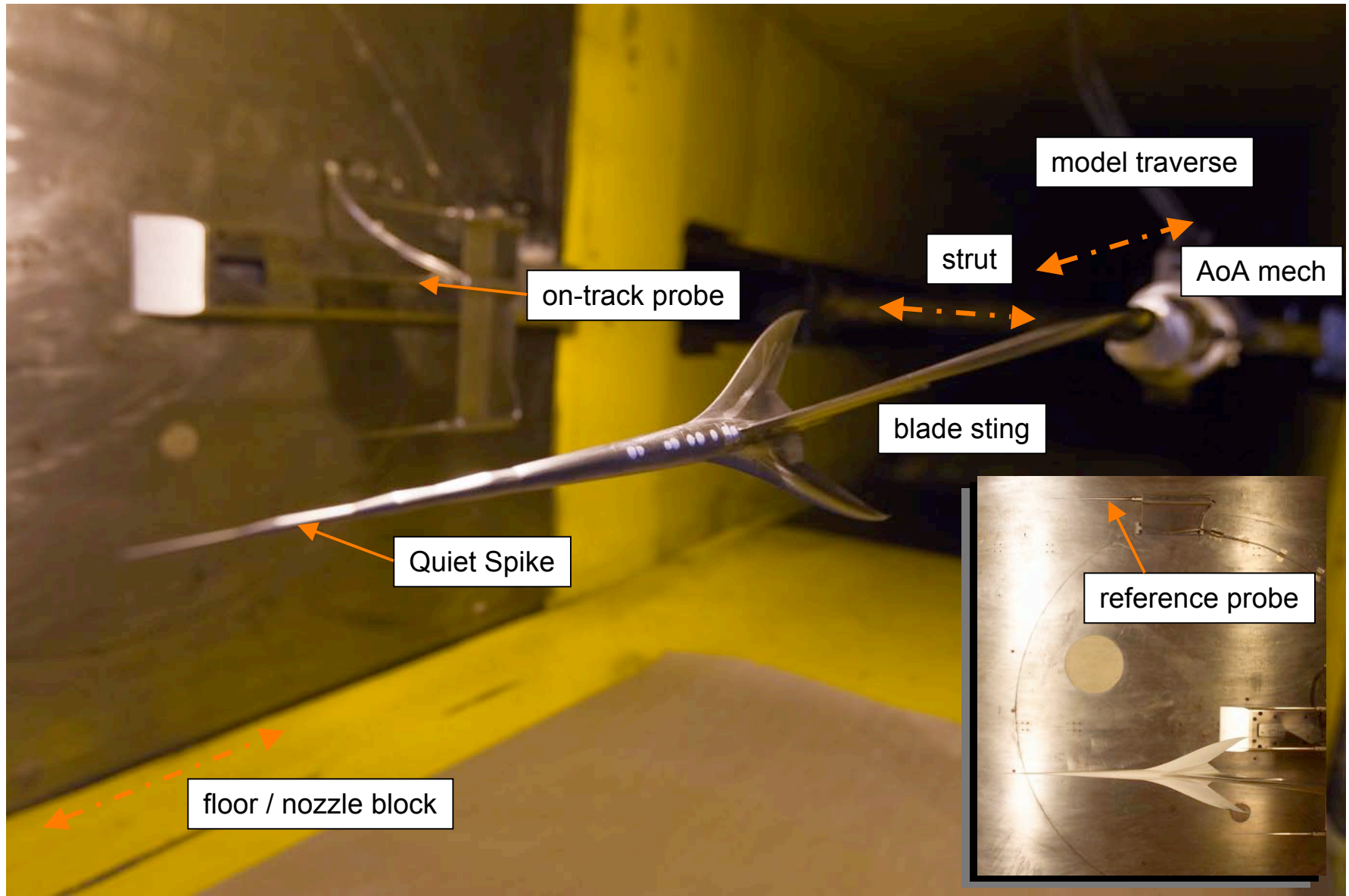


# The Experimental Setup in 9x7 UPWT





# The Experimental Setup in 4x4 UPWT





# Experimental and Computational Considerations

<b>Wind Tunnel</b>	<b>CFD</b>
CN may vary by 10-20% due to sting/ram deflection ( $\alpha$ variation on large lifting models) and stream angle	Alpha and CN are constant
Flow is unsteady in Tunnel (model vibrates with turbulence)	Flow is steady / model is steady
Tunnel conditions (temperature and humidity) change during signature taking (~30 – 60 mins)	No change in flow conditions
Reference probe in different location than overpressure probes	$P_{inf}$ is computed
Viscosity effects captured B.L not tripped	No viscous effects for Euler computations
Model base/sting cavity on lifting models has proper physics	Model base/sting geometries as solid ramps or steps
Geometry as built	Geometry as designed

Differences in computational and experimental data are expected



## Computational Methods Assessed

**AIRPLANE** - Euler tetrahedral cells

**CART3D** - Euler Cartesian cells

**FUN3D** - Navier-Stokes (Euler mode) tetrahedral cells

**USM3D** - Navier-Stokes (Euler mode) tetrahedral cells

# Agenda



- 8:00 - 8:15** Introduction and Case Descriptions for the Sonic Boom Prediction Workshop - **Ms. Susan Cliff, NASA-Ames**
  - 8:15 - 9:00** Assessment of Unstructured Euler Methods for Sonic Boom Pressure Signatures Using Grid Refinement and Domain Rotation Methods - **Ms. Susan Cliff, Mr. Scott Thomas, Mr. Matt McMullen, Mr. John Melton and Mr. Don Durston, NASA-Ames**
  - 9:00 - 9:30** Output-Adaptive Tetrahedral Cut-Cell Validation for Sonic Boom Prediction - **Dr. Michael Park and Dr. Eric Nielsen, NASA-Langley**
  - 9:30 - 10:00** Sonic-Boom Prediction with Output-Based Adaptation and Cart3D - **Mr. Michael Aftosmis, Mr. Marian Nemec, Mr. Mathias Wintzer, NASA ARC**
  - 10:00 - 10:30** BREAK
  - 10:30 - 11:00** A Method for Shearing and Stretching Unstructured Grids for Improved Sonic Boom Prediction - **Mr. Richard Campbell and Ms. Melissa Carter, NASA LaRC**
  - 11:00 - 11:30** Summary and Comparison of NASA's Supersonic Boom Prediction Methods - **Ms. Melissa Carter, NASA LaRC**
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