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**Plate I.** Maneuvering capabilities of natural flyers. (a) Canada geese's response to wind gust; (b) speed control and target tracking of a seagull; (c) precision touch-down of a finch; (d) a hummingbird defending itself against a bee.



**Plate II.** Natural flyers can track target precisely and instantaneously. Shown here are hummingbirds using flapping wings, contoured body, and tail adjustment to conduct flight control.



**Plate III.** Natural flyers synchorize wings, body, legs, and tail to take off, on water (top), from land (middle), and off tree (bottom).



**Plate IV.** Birds such as seagulls glide while flexing their wings to adjust their speed as well as to control their direction.

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**Plate V.** On landing, birds fold their wings to reduce lift, and flap to accommodate wind gusts and to adjust for their available landing areas.



**Plate VI.** Representative MAVs. (a) flexible fixed wing (Ifju et al., 2002); (b) rotary wing (http://www.proxflyer.com); (c) hybrid flapping-fixed wing, using fixed wing for lift and flapping wing for thrust (Jones and Platzer, 2006); and (d) flapping wing for both lift and thrust (Kawamura et al., 2006).



**Plate VII.** Illustration of biological flapping-wing patterns: forward and back strokes, and flexible- and asymmetric-wing motions.

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**Plate VIII.** Dragonfly wings exbit both flexibility and anisotropic, corrugated structuures. In the lower picture, shown on the left is the hind wing and the right is the fore wing.



**Plate IX.** Streamlines and vortices for rigid wing at  $\alpha = 39^{\circ}$ . The vortical structures are shown on selected planes (Lian et al., 2003b).



**Plate X.** Pressure distribution around the rigid wing in the cross sections with streamlines at angle of attack of 39° (Lian et al., 2003b).



**Plate XI.** Evolution of flow pattern for rigid wing versus angles of attack. (From left to right, top to bottom,  $6^{\circ}$ ,  $15^{\circ}$ ,  $27^{\circ}$ , and  $51^{\circ}$ ) (Lian and Shyy, 2005).



**Plate XII.** A bat (*Cynopterus brachyotis*) in flight. (a) beginning of downstroke, head forward, tail backward, the whole body is stretched and lined up in a straight line; (b) middle of downstroke, the wing is highly cambered; (c) end of downstorke (also beginning of upstroke), the wing is still cambered. A large part of the wing is in front of the head and the wing is going to be withdrawn to its body; (d) Middle of upstroke, the wing is folded towards the body, from Tian et al. (2006).



**Plate XIII.** The flexible covert feathers acting like self-activated flaps on the upper wing surface of a skua. Photo from Bechert et al. (1997).

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Plate XIV. Vortices structure behind a stationary NACA 0012 (Lai and Platzer, 1999).



(a) h = 0.0125 (kh = 0.098)



(b) h = 0.025 (kh = 0.196)



(c) h = 0.05 (kh = 0.393)

**Plate XV.** Vortex patterns for a NACA 0012 airfoil oscillated in plunge for a freestream velocity of about 0.2 m/s, a frequency of f = 2.5 Hz (k = 7.85), and various amplitudes of oscillation (Lai and Platzer, 1999).

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During downstroke

**Plate XVI.** Wing surface pressure and streamlines revealing the vortical structures for the 3D numerical simulation of a hovering hawkmoth (Liu et al., 1998). (a) Positional angle  $\phi=30^{\circ}$ ; (b)  $\phi=0^{\circ}$ ; (c)  $\phi=-36^{\circ}$ . Reynolds number is approx. 4000 and the reduced frequency *k* is 0.37. Here LEV is the leading edge vortex.



**Plate XVII.** Numerical results of leading edge vortical structures at different Reynolds numbers.



**Plate XVIII.** Comparison of near-field flow fields between a fruit fly and a hawkmoth. Wingbody computational model of (a) a hawkmoth ( $Re_{f3} = 6000$ ,  $U_{ref} = 5.05$  m/s,  $c_m = 1.83$  cm), and (b) a fruit fly model ( $Re_{f3} = 134$ ,  $U_{ref} = 2.54$  m/s,  $c_m = 0.78$  mm), with the LEVs visualized by instantaneous streamlines and the corresponding velocity vectors in a plane cutting through the left wing at 60% of the wing length; pressure gradient contours on the wing surface for (c) a fruit fly, and (d) a hawkmoth. The pressure gradient indicates the direction of the spanwise flow.



Plate XIX. Vortical flow structures for pitch-up airfoils: (a) and (b) computational results for flow over a 2D elliptic airfoil undergoing "water treading" hovering at two Reynolds numbers. The airfoil position corresponds to the mid-stroke, where the pitch angle reaches the maximum value; (c) and (d) experimental vorticity field side views for a fruit fly modeled wing at 0.65R at mid-stroke. The experimental information in (c) and (d) is reprinted from Birch et al. (2004).



**Plate XX.** Experiment of clap-and-fling by two wings (M–T) using clap-and-fling wing beat pattern in the robotic wing. Vorticity is plotted according to the pseudo color code and arrows indicate the magnitude of fluid velocity; longer arrows signifying larger velocities, from Lehmann et al. (2005) with permission.



**Plate XXI.** Comparison of the wingtip trajectories produced by the vibratory flapping system with those exhibited by hummingbirds in various flight modes, from Raney and Slominski (2004).



**Plate XXII.** Numerical and experimental results of the flapping motion of a fruit fly: red, experimental results of Dickinson and Birch (Wang et al., 2004); Blue, numerical solution of Wang et al. (2004); green, numerical solution of Tang et al. (2007).  $h_a/c = 1.4$ ,  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ ,  $Re_{f2} = 75$ , k = 0.357.



**Plate XXIII.** One cycle force history for two hovering modes and quasi-steady value of normal hovering mode.  $h_a/c = 1.4$ ,  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ , k = 0.357, and  $Re_{f2} = 100$ . (a) Lift coefficient, (b) drag coefficient. The selected normalized time instants are t1 = 0.08, t2 = 0.17, t3 = 0.25, t4 = 0.31, t5 = 0.45, t6 = 0.60, t7 = 0.80, t8 = 0.94.

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**Plate XXIV.** Vorticity contours for two hovering modes.  $h_a/c = 1.4$ ,  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ , k = 0.357 and  $Re_{f2} = 100$ . Red: counter-clockwise vortices, Blue: clockwise vortices. The flow snapshots (t1 to t8) correspond to the time instants defined in Figure 4-38. Adopted from Tang et al. (2007).



**Plate XXV.** Lift coefficient for the water-treading mode.  $h_a/c = 1.4$ ,  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ , k = 0.357, and Reynolds numbers of 100 and 1700. The selected normalized time instants are t1 = 6.25, t2 = 6.48, t3 = 6.77, t4 = 6.97.



**Plate XXVI.** Vorticity contours for the "water treading" mode.  $h_a/c = 1.4$ ,  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ , k = 0.357. Red = counter-clockwise vortices, Blue = clockwise vortices. (a), (c) Reynolds number = 100; (b), (d) Reynolds number = 1,700. The flow snapshots (t1 to t4) correspond to the time instants defined in Figure 4.40.



**Plate XXVII.** Vorticity contours at two corresponding positions during forward (a) and (c) and backward (b) and (d) stroke. Stroke amplitude  $h_a/c = 0.25$ , pitch angle amplitude  $\alpha_a = 45^{\circ}$  and  $Re_{f2} = 300$ .



**Plate XXVIII.** Vorticity contours at time /T = 5.5 and three different Reynolds number with a stroke amplitude  $h_a/c = 0.25$  and  $\alpha_a = 45^\circ$ : (a)  $Re_{f2} = 75$ ; (b)  $Re_{f2} = 300$ ; (c)  $Re_{f2} = 500$ .



**Plate XXIX.** Iso-vorticity surfaces (absolute vorticity strengths: 4=green, 13=blue) around flapping wings and body of a hawkmoth during a flapping cycle. Shedding TV (STV) shedding TEV (STEV), new LEV (NLEV), stopping-vortex (SPV), starting-vortex (SV), and breakdown point.