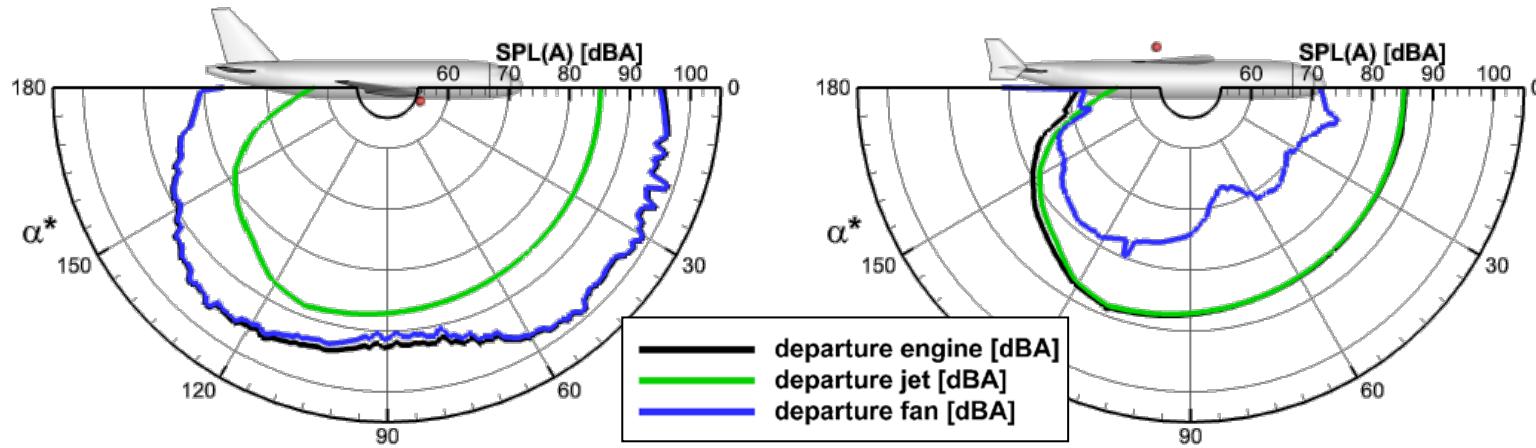


10 years of joint research at DLR and TU Braunschweig toward low-noise aircraft design – what did we achieve?



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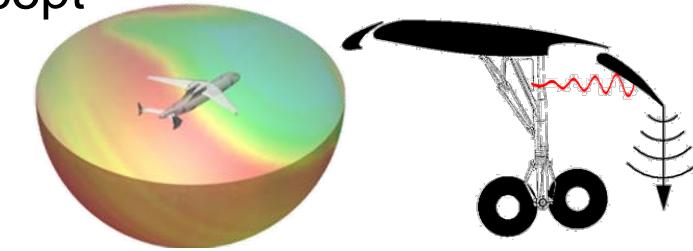


introduction: influence of aircraft design on noise

working hypothesis: design constraints define acoustic performance

examples:

- TLAR → weights, wing design, propulsion concept
- vehicle layout → installation & interaction effects
- aerodynamics → flow velocities & high-lift concept / usage
- engine thrust (e.g. turbofan) → rotational speed, jet speeds
- takeoff/landing performance → glide slope/ground distance Δh , velocities, high-lift, exposure times
- landing gear → installation, size



$$I_{airframe} \sim v_{local}^5$$

$$I_{jet} \sim v_{jet}^{7-8}$$

$$I_{fan} \sim v_{fan}^{5-6}$$

$$I_{total} \sim \Delta h^2$$

$$I_{gear} \sim v_{lokal}^6$$



introduction: low-noise aircraft design

status quo before cooperation:

- DLR & TU Braunschweig: a/c noise & design as separate disciplines
- previous, more comprehensive research initiatives:
 - Quiet Aircraft Technology (QAT) program, 1999, NASA
 - Silent Aircraft Initiative, 2003, Cambridge and MIT
- disadvantages found in available literature:
 1. acoustics not available within overall a/c design phase → subsequent noise assessment of predefined concepts
(limited solution space: no design variation/optimization)
 2. incomplete consideration of relevant disciplines/interactions
 3. insufficient problem assessment
(focus limited to: emission situation, a/c components, specific noise metric, and/or fixed operating conditions)



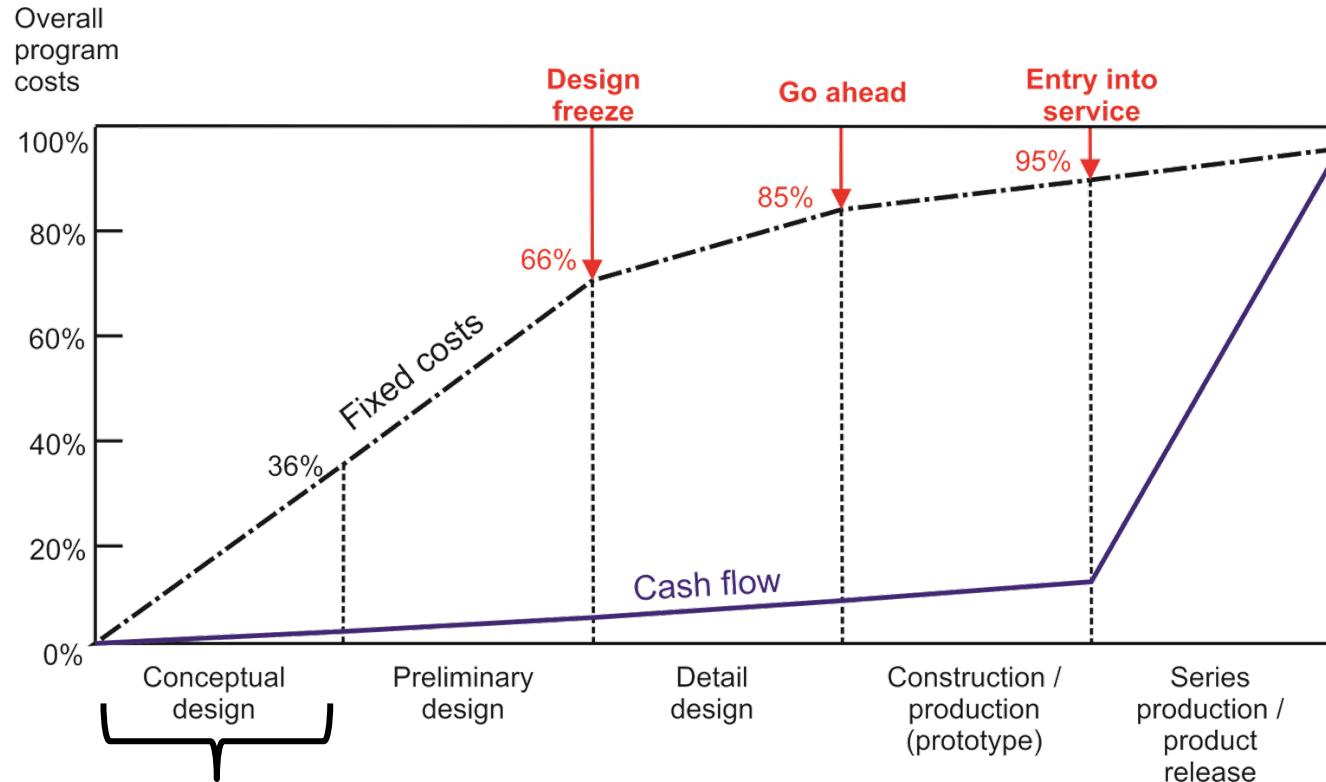
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motivation

main objective: **exploit noise reduction potential by a/c design**



- reduced complexity but all relevant disciplines are considered (global assessment)
- large solution space (few limitations)
- direct comparability of strongly varying a/c concepts

consequence: assess and intervene **within conceptual design**

motivation

launch joint research with TU Braunschweig in 2008:
low-noise aircraft design

- join forces (tools/methods/data/expertise):
 - DLR: flight simulation, engine design, and a/c noise assessment
 - TU BS: a/c design process
- develop comprehensive noise prediction code
 - simultaneous consideration of design AND operation
 - overall a/c and componential assessment (noise source breakdown)
 - problem assessment: (1) multiple noise metrics, (2) varying operating conditions along realistic flights, (3) multiple observer locations
- improve a/c design process
 - provide required input for noise assessment
 - noise as a design objective



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 - 2008 – „bringing the disciplines together“
 - 2012 – „fully automated low-noise design process“
 - 2017 – „focus on noise immission“
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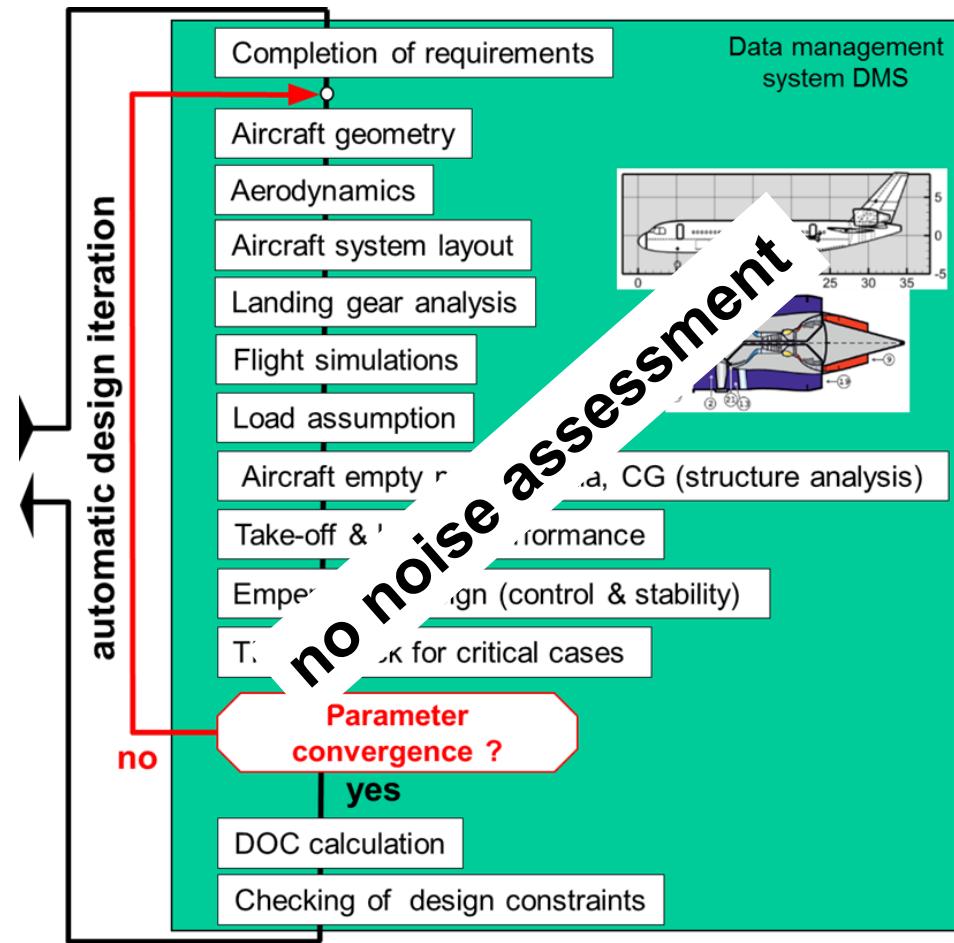


2008: bringing the disciplines together

status quo at TU Braunschweig:

Preliminary Aircraft Design and Optimisation (PrADO)

- aircraft design synthesis
- iterative & multidisciplinary
- common data base
- individual modules for defined tasks
- modules can be replaced



PrADO: process

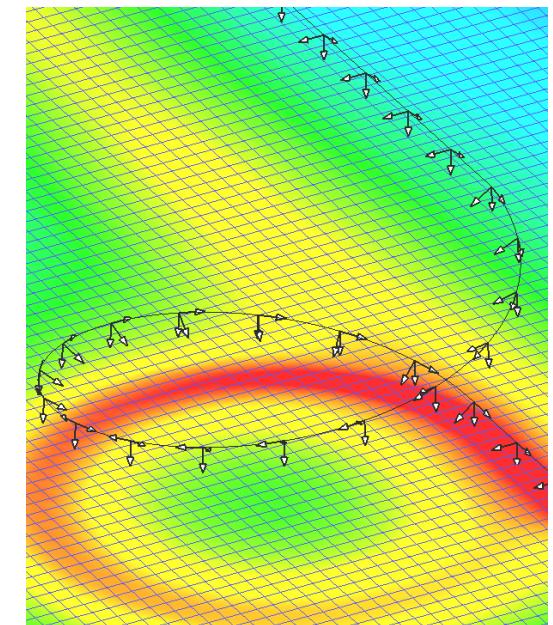
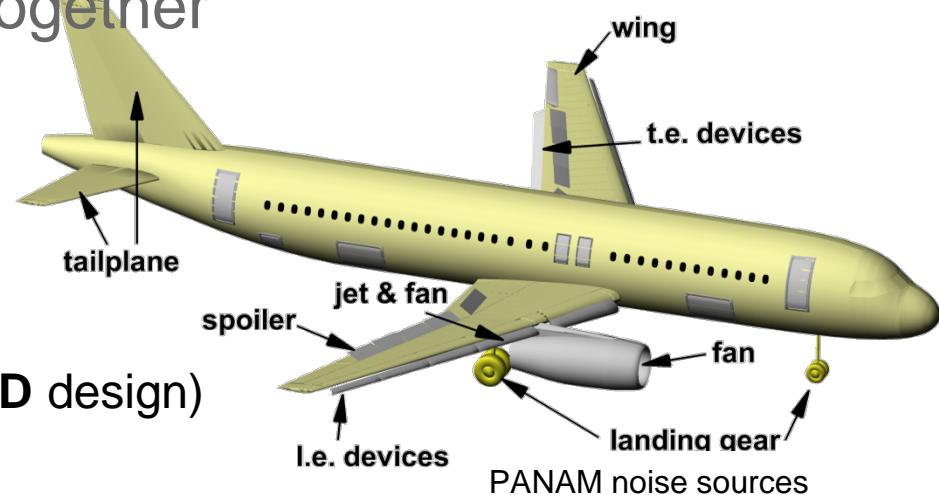
Ref.: Heinze, ZLR-Forschungsbericht, 1994

2008: bringing the disciplines together

new prediction tool at DLR:

Parametric Aircraft Noise Analysis
Module (**PANAM**)

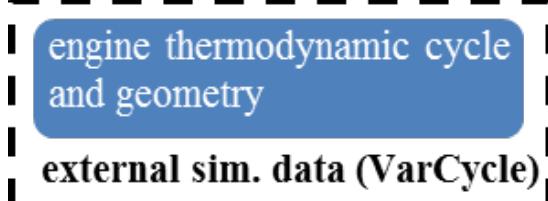
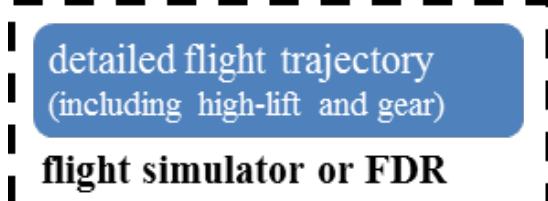
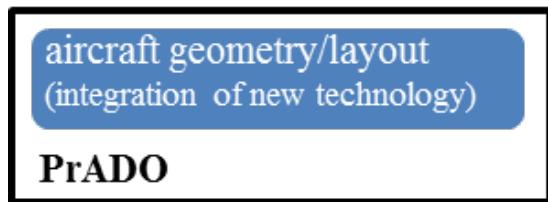
- parametric description (operation **AND** design)
- combine individual noise sources
 - airframe: Dobrzynski
 - engine: Heidmann/Kontos & Stone
- modular setup (implement new models/interfaces)
- adequate complexity & input requirements
 - a/c design (**PrADO**)
 - engine design / performance deck (Hi-Fi sim.)
 - flight trajectory (FDR, flight simulator)
- output data:
 - std. metrics (SPL, PNL, EPNL, SEL)
 - arbitrary observers (single, array)



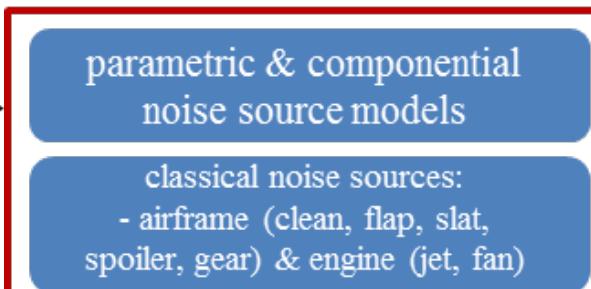
PANAM output: isocontour area

2008: bringing the disciplines together

input data



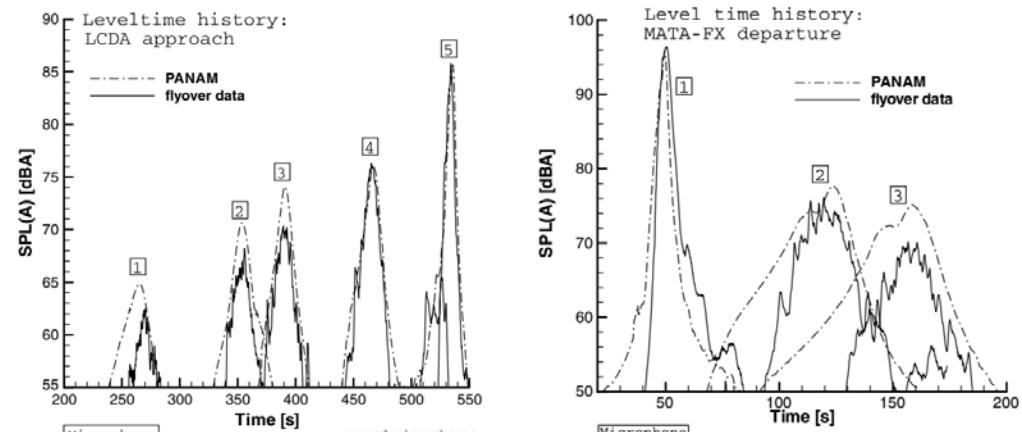
noise prediction



PANAM (updated)

verification / validation example

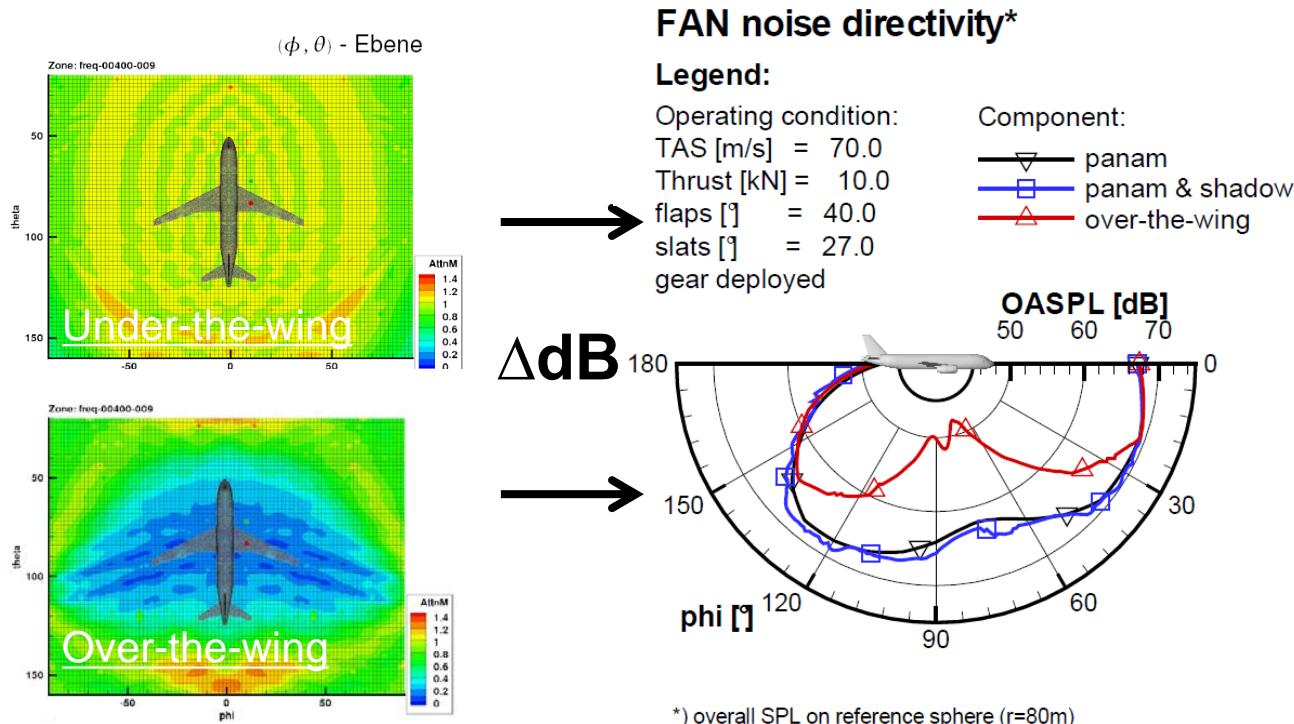
- reference vehicle A319-100
- FDR as input (N1, TAS, flaps ...)
- 18 flights: 9 approach @ 13 mics;
- 9 departure @ 12 mics
- satisfying agreement with exp. data



2012: fully automated low-noise design process

process is updated: DLR tool SHADOW

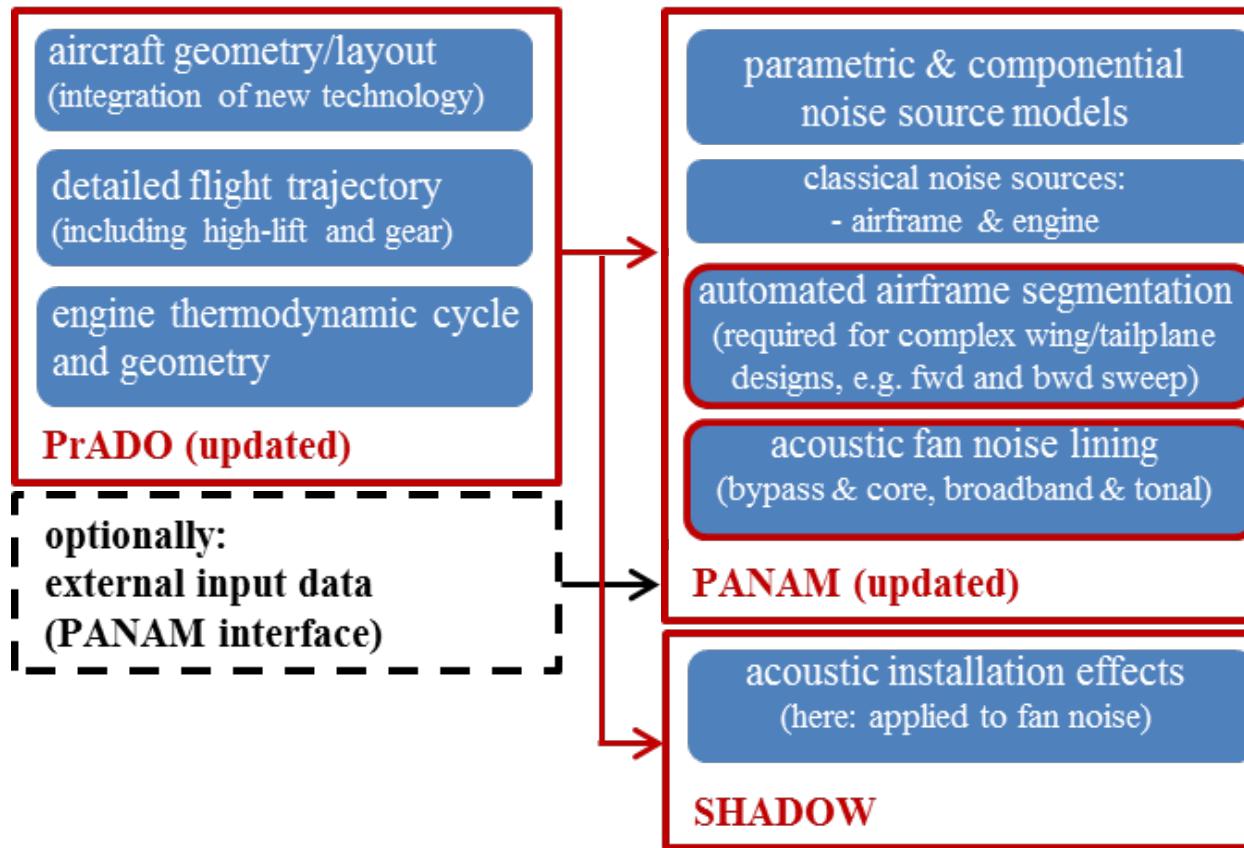
- ray-tracing with diffraction correction (Maggi-Rubinowicz)
- input: PrADO 3D aircraft geometry (incl. engine position)
- output: shielding factor (Δ dB / frequency band)
 - applied to PANAM noise source prediction



Ref.: Lummer, AIAA 2008-3050

2012: fully automated low-noise design process

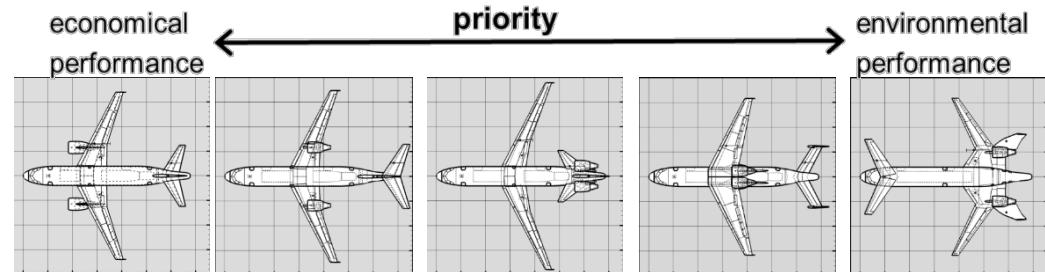
input data *noise prediction*



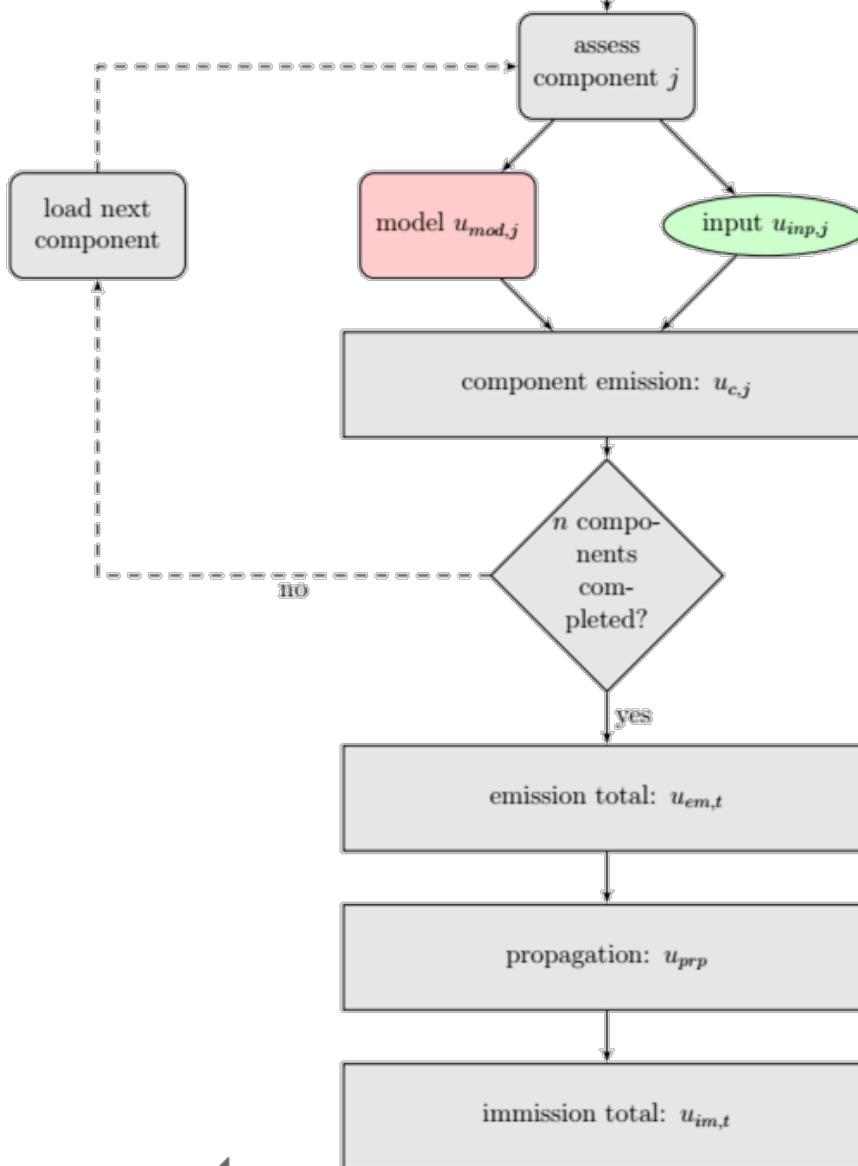
PrADO:
input data
generation
for PANAM

proof of concept

- noise as a design constraint
- study with **500** a/c design variants
- assessment along simulated and predefined flight procedure



2017: focus on noise immission



PANAM is updated:
uncertainty assessment

$$u_{c,j} = \sqrt{u_{mod,j}^2 + u_{inp,j}^2}$$

$u_{inp,j}$: input parameters and their uncertainties

$u_{mod,j}$: applied noise source model

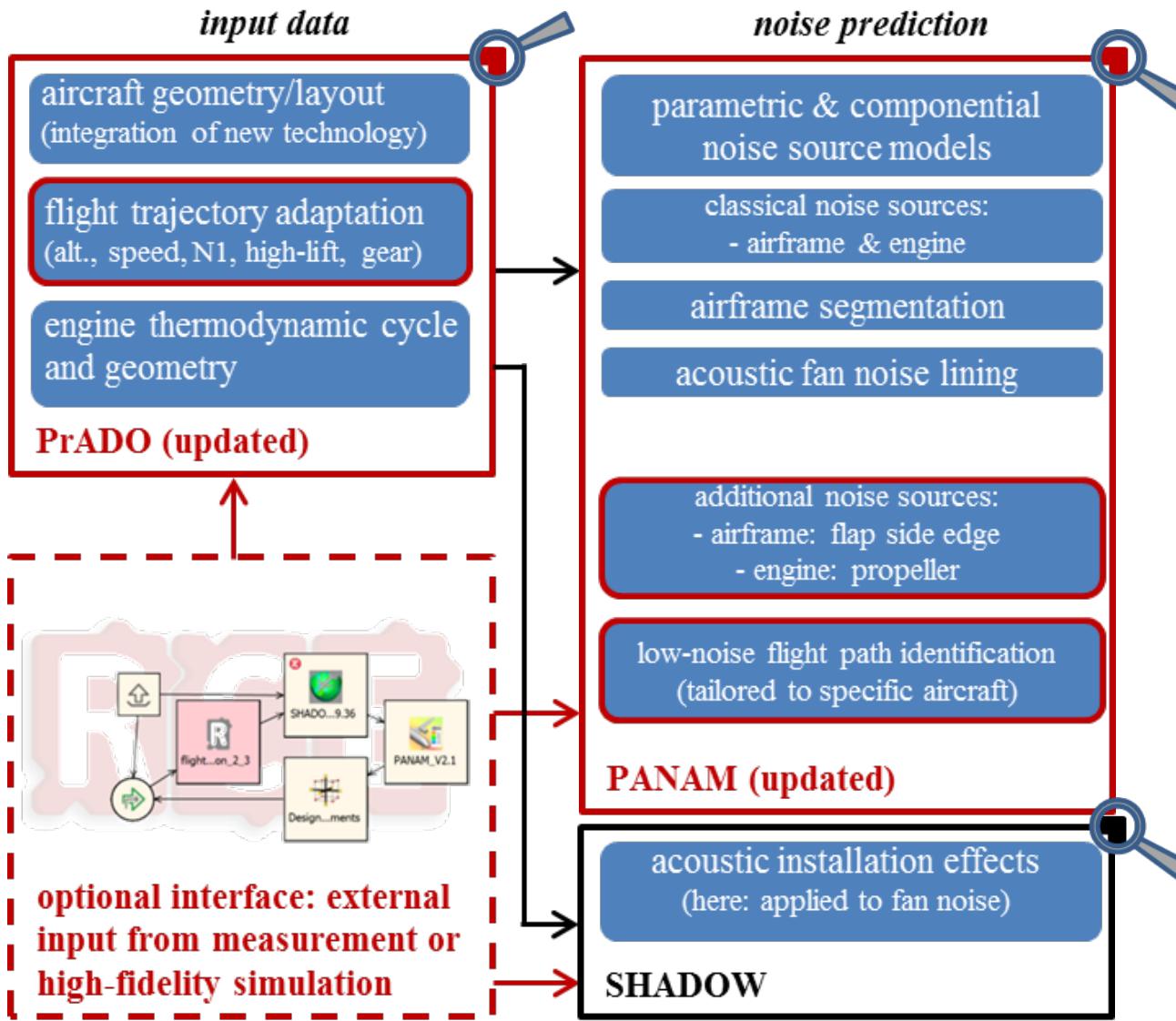
energetic weighting of components

$$u_{em,t} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (u_{c,j} \cdot 10^{L_{em,j}/10})^2}{\sum_{j=1}^n (10^{L_{em,j}/10})^2}}$$

total uncertainty of predicted immission

$$u_{im,t} = \sqrt{u_{em,t}^2 + u_{prp}^2}$$

2017: focus on noise immission



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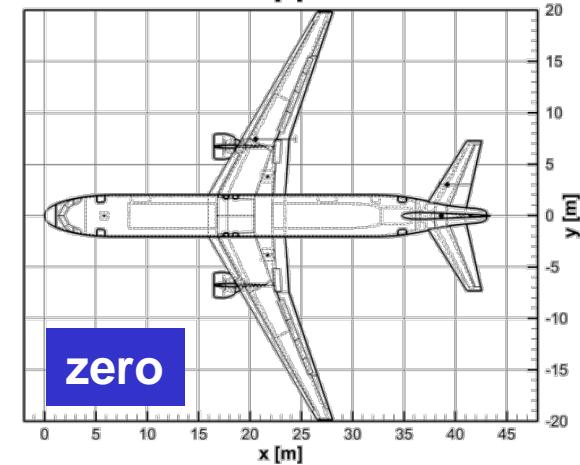


application

2017 study*

tube-and-wing a/c design:

- top level aircraft requirements (TLAR)
 - 4000 km range
 - 180 Pax
 - 1890 kg payload
 - cruise Mach 0.8
- reference: “zero” w. **BPR 6** engines



low-noise design modifications:

- engine: replacement with geared turbofan (**BPR 12**)
- architecture: engine noise shielding concept**
- airframe: low-noise high-lift and gear concept

presentation today:

effect of engine replacement (on conventional and on low-noise a/c)

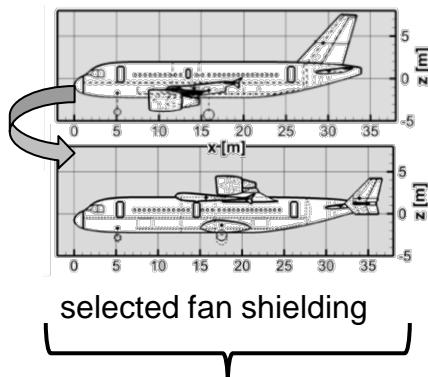


*) AIAA 2018-0264, Bertsch et al. **) TLAR: cruise Mach of 0.7

application: vehicle concepts / technologies

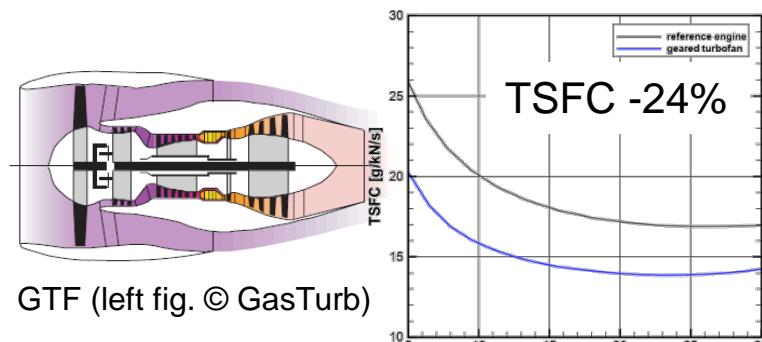
	conventional	low-noise		
	zero	neodapt	V-2 (af)	fanex
engine	ref	GTF	ref	GTF
architecture	ref	adapted	fan shielding	fan shielding & adapted
airframe	ref	ref	low-noise	low-noise

fan shielding



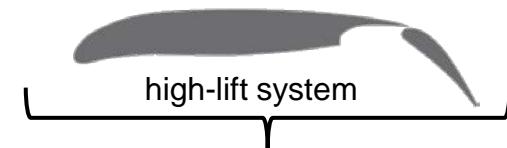
based on large design study (2013)

GTF (BPR 12)

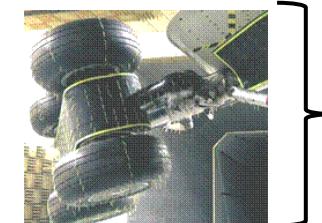


external high-fidelity simulation → design, weight, performance

low-noise airframe:



external exp. / simulation → weight, aerodynamics, ΔdB



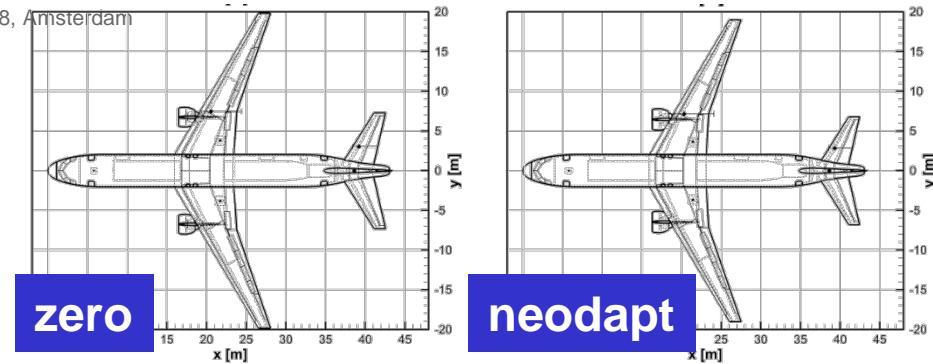
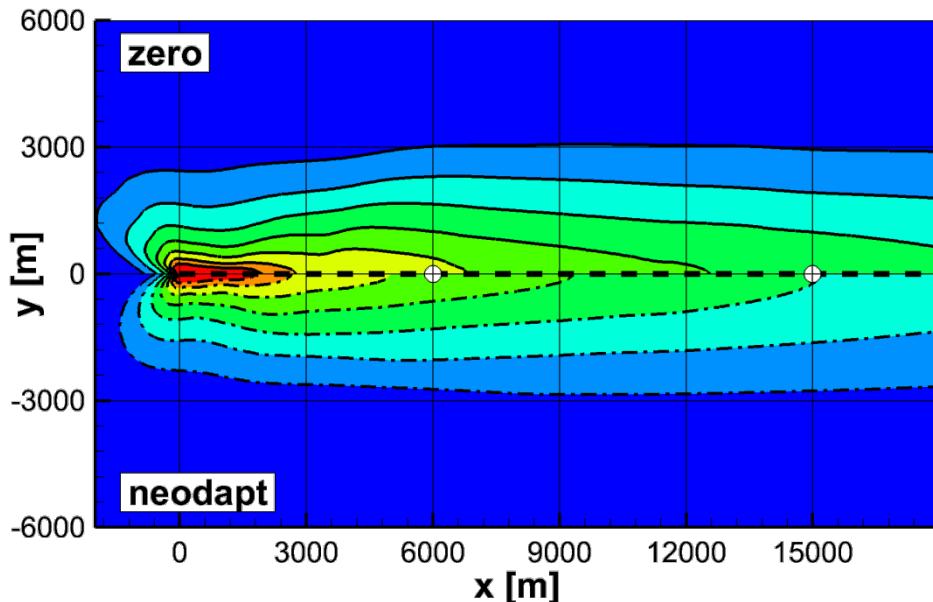
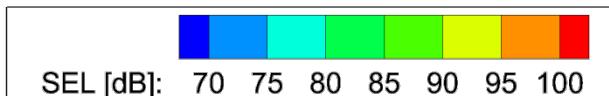
gear mesh fairing
(fig. © Dobrzynski)

previous findings → ΔdB

low-noise airframe: gear $-3dB$, slats $-6dB$, flaps $-5dB$

application

engine replacement on reference architecture

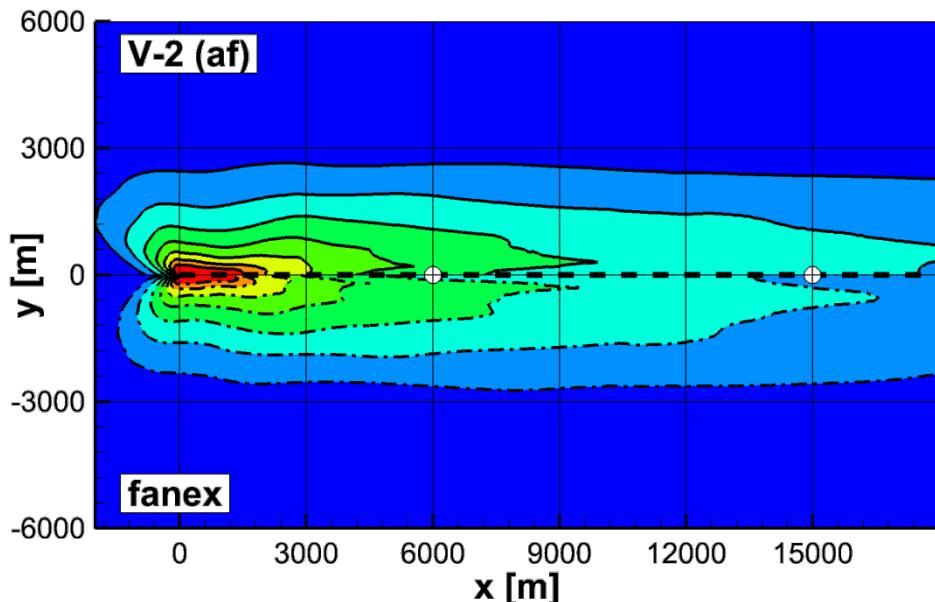
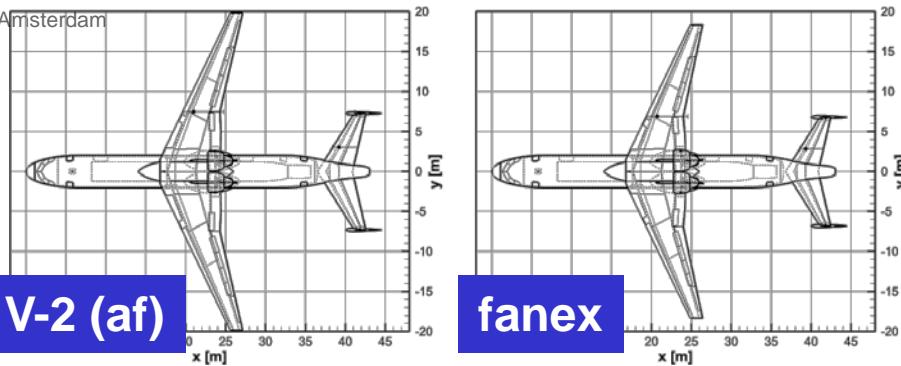
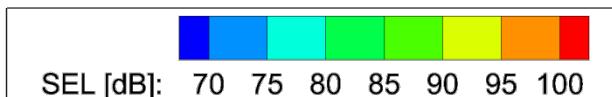


metric	Δ (neodapt-zero)	
	6 000 m	15 000 m
$L_{A,max}$ [dB]	-3.5	-4.9
EPNL [dB]	-6.2	-5.8
SEL [dB]	-3.1	-3.1
<i>DOC</i> [€/flight]	-1452 (-7.75%)	

- gtf reduces noise levels (jet → $L_{A,max}$ & SEL, fan → EPNL)
- significantly reduced Direct Operating Costs (per flight)

application

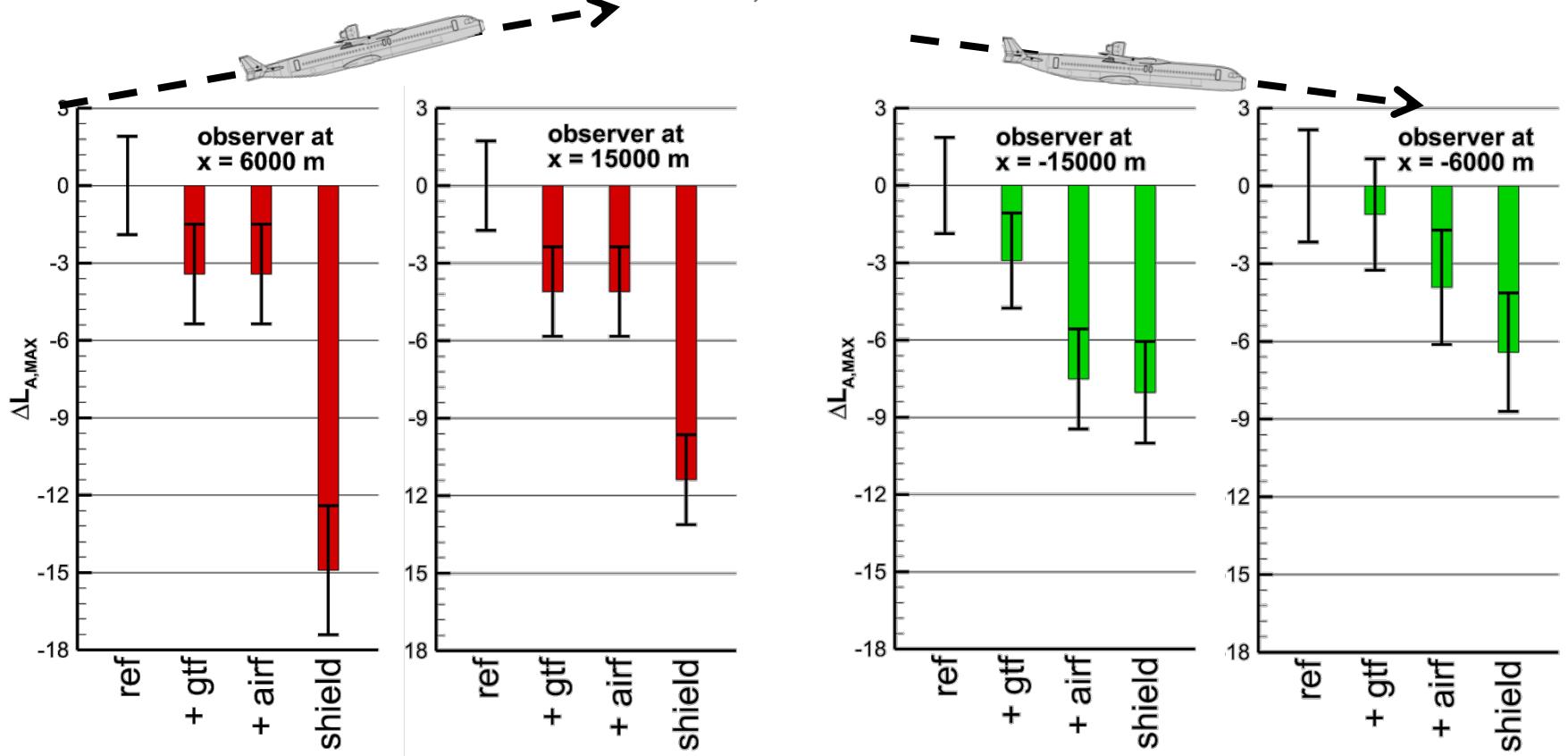
engine replacement on shielded architecture



metric	Δ (fanex – V-2(af))	
	6 000 m	15 000 m
$L_{A,max}$ [dB]	-4.1	-3.0
EPNL [dB]	-4.1	-2.8
SEL [dB]	-3.5	-2.3
<i>DOC</i> [€/flight]	-1482 (-7.34%)	

- (less) fan noise reduction for fanex (already significant fan noise shielding)
- combination of shielding and gtf is most promising (all metrics: 2-4 dB reduction)
- low-noise airframe measures become very efficient (approach not shown here)
- significant DOC reduction

application: uncertainty* of $L_{A,max}$ for low-noise measures



assumed modeling uncert.:

airfr.: gear & high-lift($\pm 1.4 \text{ dB}$), other($\pm 1 \text{ dB}$)

eng.: fan** (ref $\pm 3.6 \text{ dB}$; gtf $\pm 4.2 \text{ dB}$), jet($\pm 1.5 \text{ dB}$)

- level differences & uncert. vary along simulated flight and per observer
- different conclusions for app. and depart.

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summary: what did we achieve?

low-noise aircraft design (*tube-and-wing*)

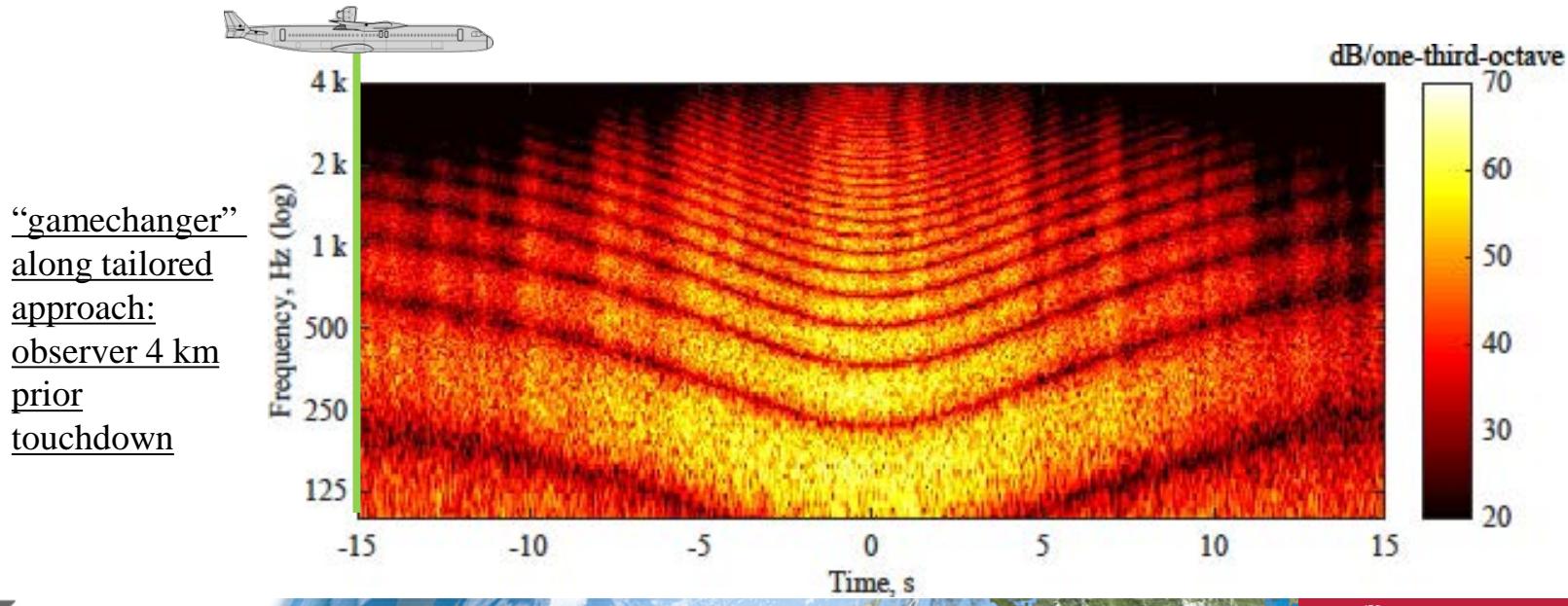
- comprehensive noise assessment
 - design impact on flight performance / noise generation
 - multiple metrics & arbitrary observer locations
- engine installation effects (*no embedded design or BLI for now*)
- interface to external input data (*a/c design & noise*)
- tailored and optimized flight procedures
- basic uncertainty assessment

lessons learned

- must-have: high-fidelity engine simulation
- comparison with fly-over measurements:
 - essential input: flight data (FDR)
 - achievable level of agreement
 - perfect: purely coincidence
(scaling, modeling capabilities & simplifications)
 - best: max. levels, trends/comparative analysis

outlook

1. engine installation effects: distributed propulsion and BLI
2. new DLR fan noise model (*PropNoise*)
3. “more electric aircraft” noise → *flight procedure design!*
4. noise-to-design (inspired by S. Rizzi, NASA)
 - cooperation with Empa (auralization & listening tests)
 - focus on novel vehicles and flight procedures
 - multiple observer locations
 - feedback loop: auralization → noise modeling



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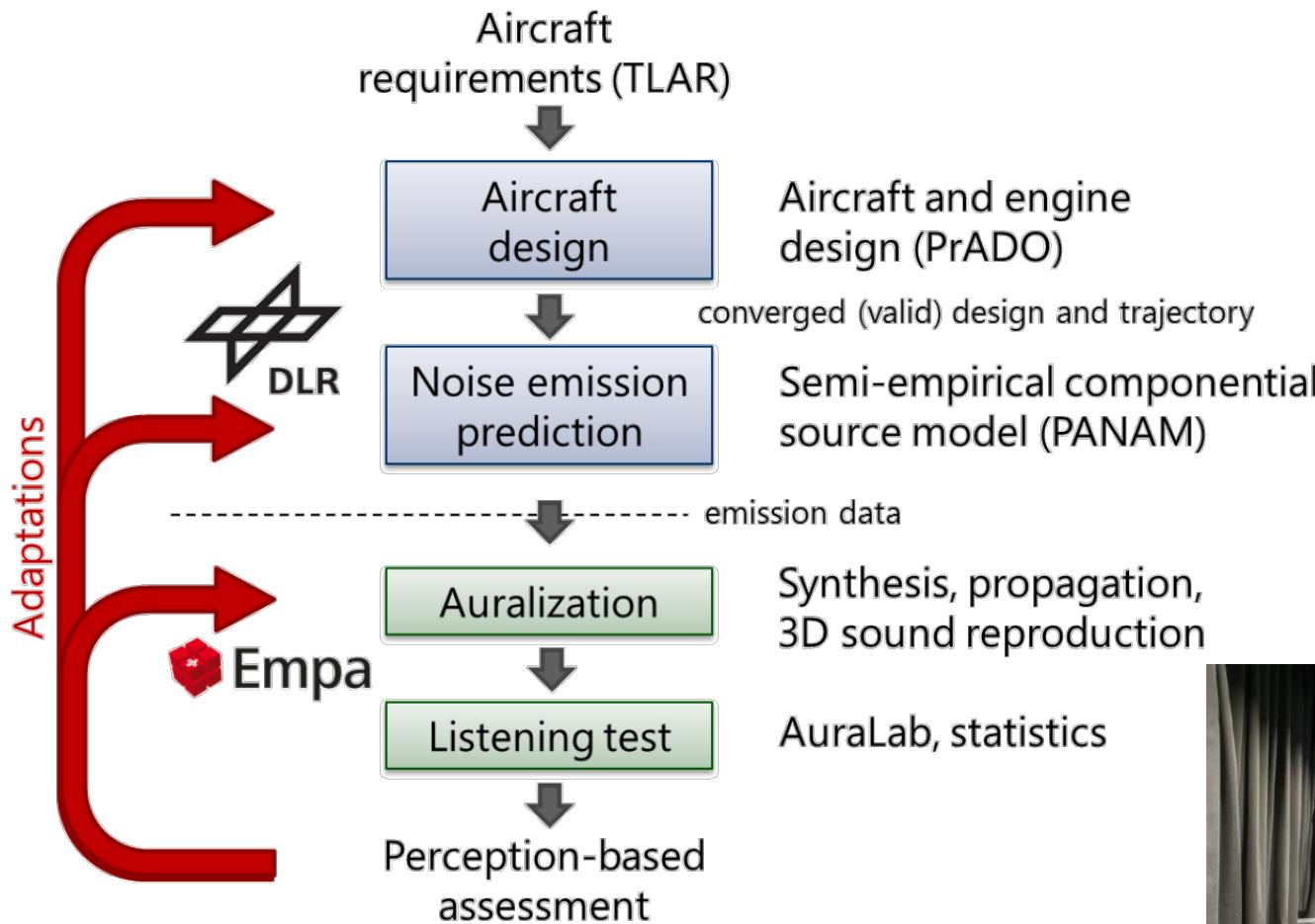


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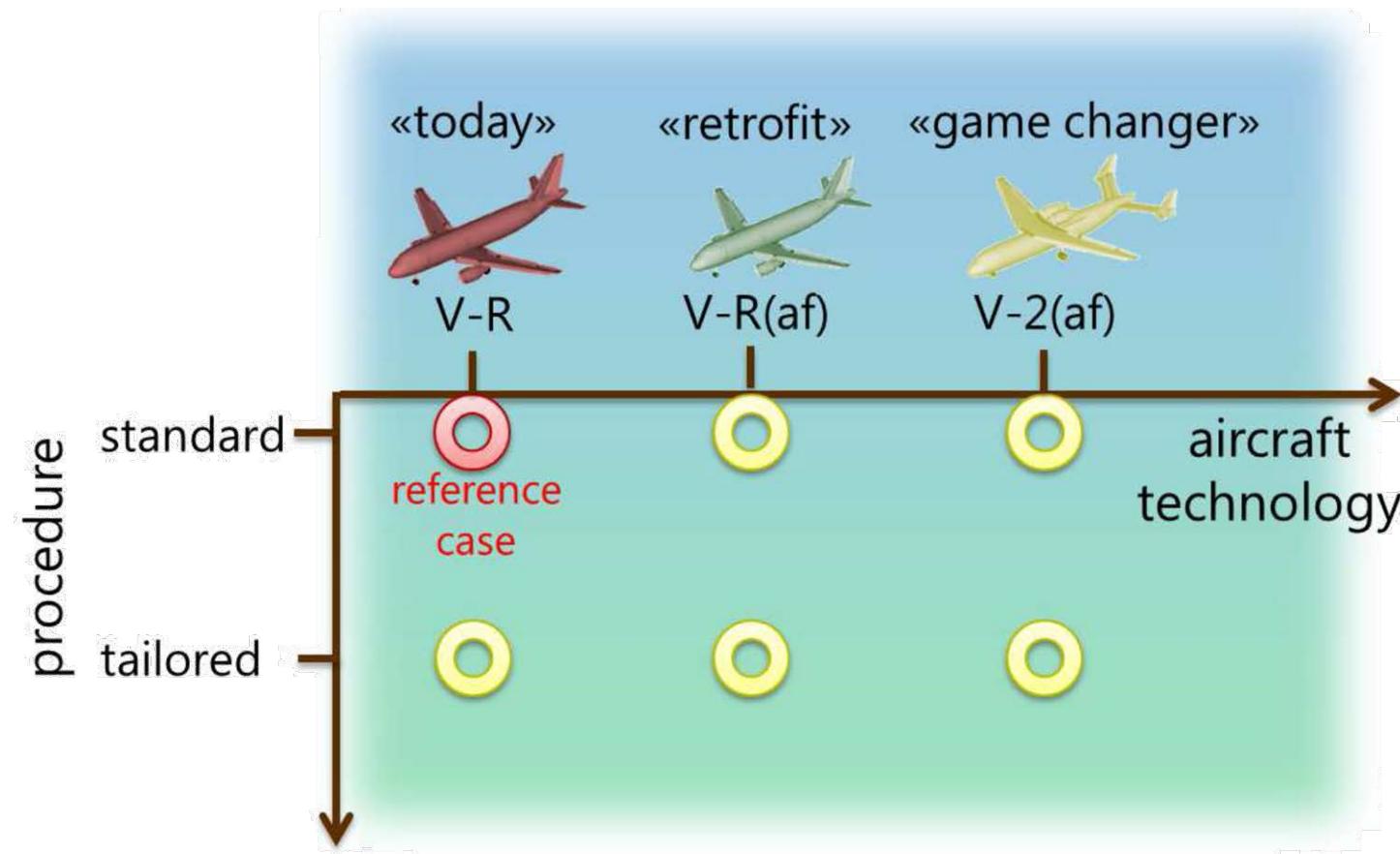


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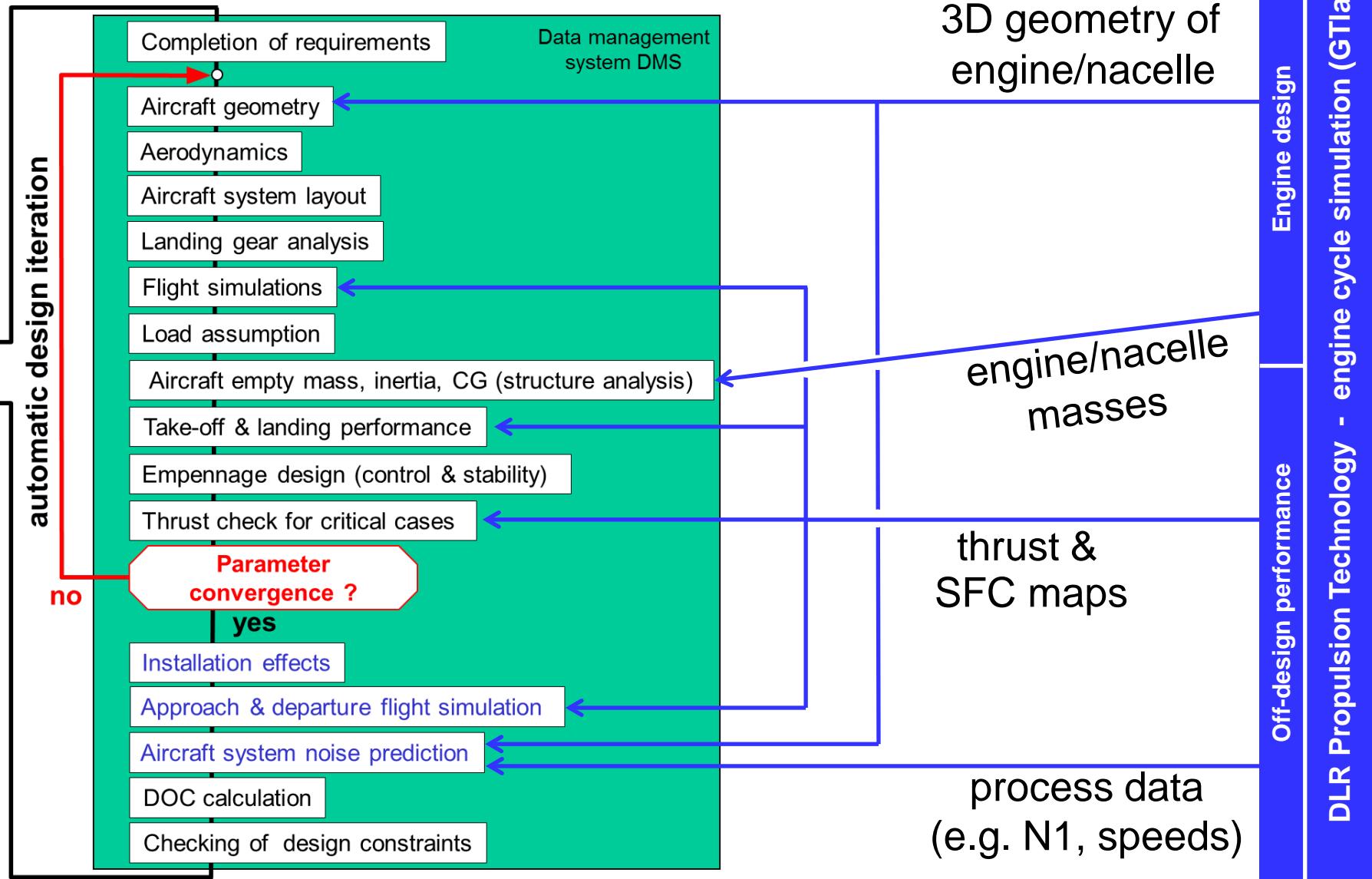
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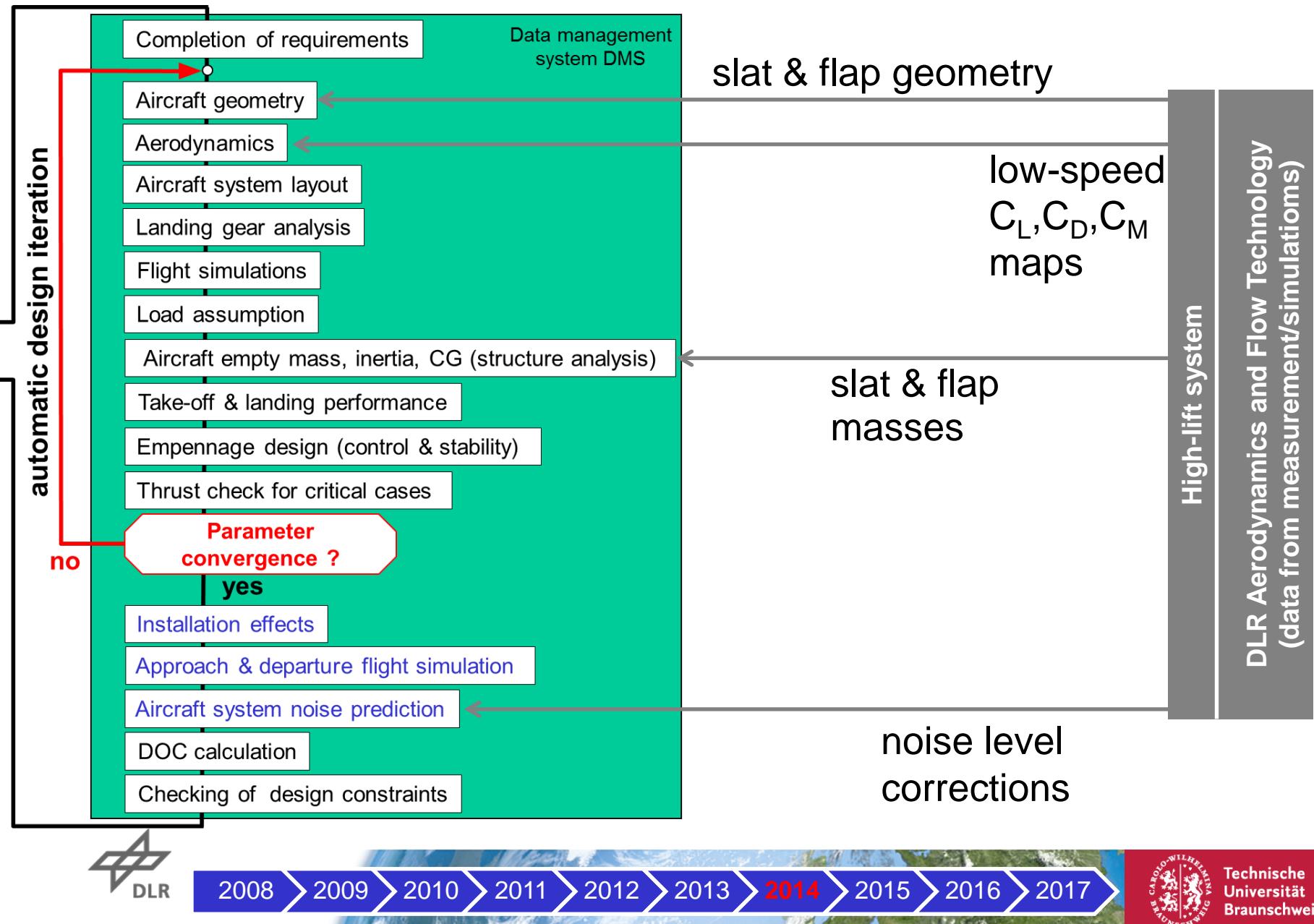
furthermore: 4 different observer locations

1. capture different flight phases
 2. account for varying noise source ranking and distance / orientation
- total of 24 stimuli for listening tests

backup slides: interface to external engine data

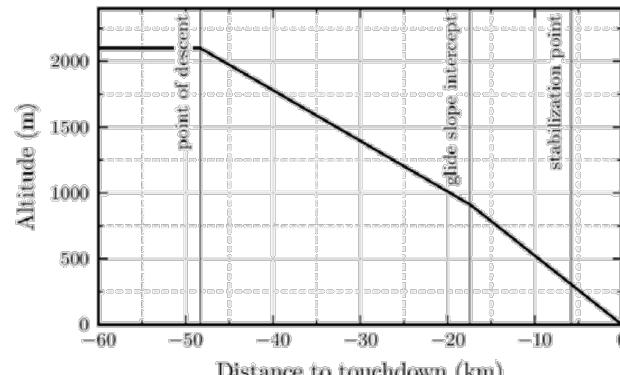


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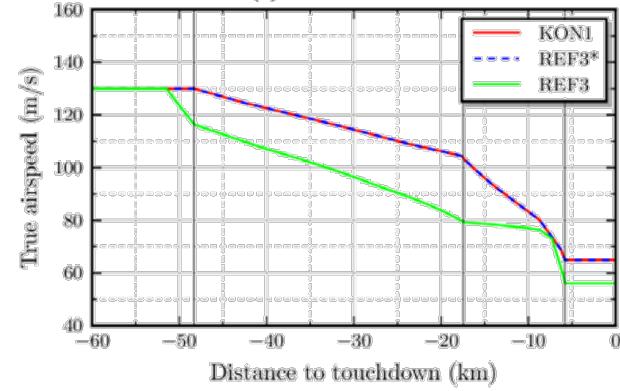


backup slides: flight path adaption is essential

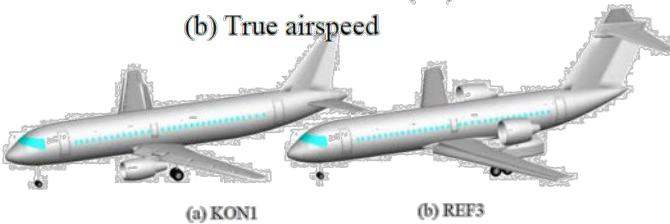
status quo: assessment of a/c design along fixed flight procedure



(a) Altitude

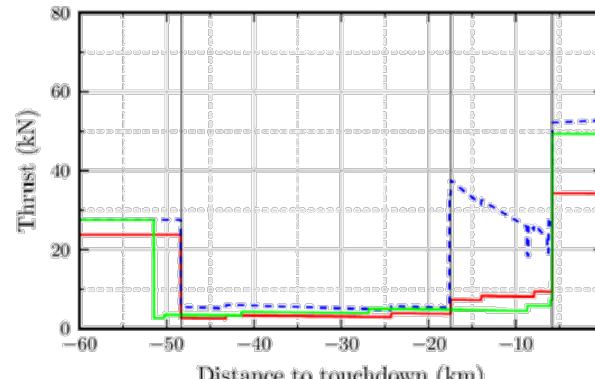


(b) True airspeed

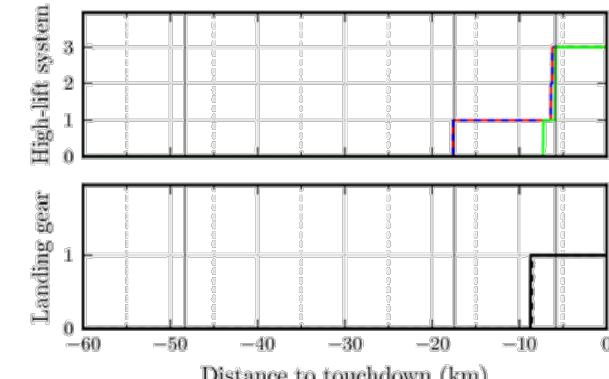


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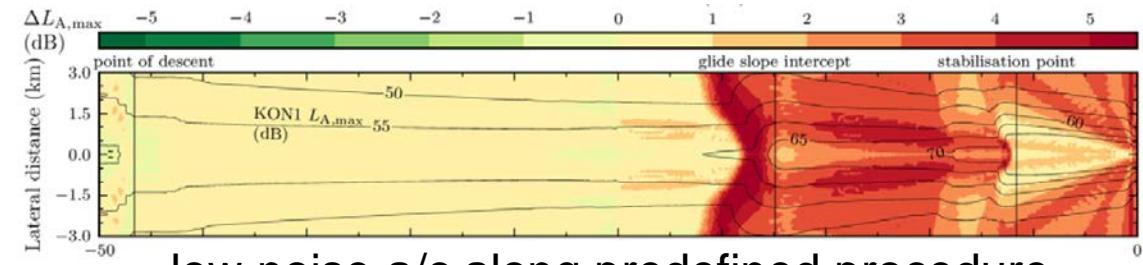
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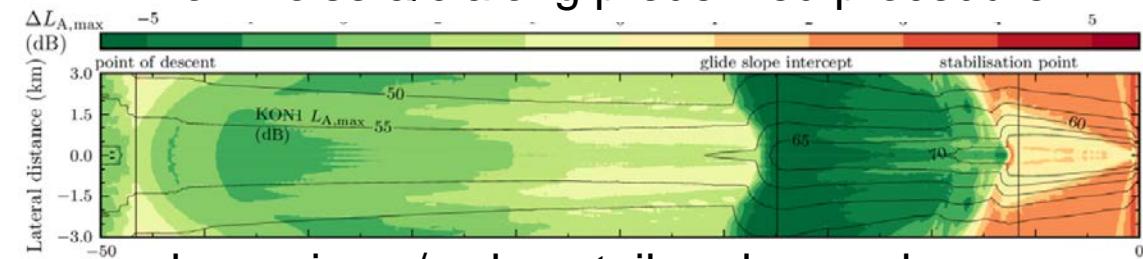
(c) Thrust



(d) High-lift system



low-noise a/c along predefined procedure

low-noise a/c along tailored procedure
(reduced speed, avoid thrust peaks, late flap/slat)

consequence: adapt flight procedure & focus on IMMISSION