

flexSyS is a leading authority in variable geometry control surfaces that offer significant reduction in fuel-burn (emissions), aerodynamic noise and stresses. Leveraging its pioneering compliant systems design methodology which has no moving parts in the shape-adapting mechanism, FlexSys has successfully developed lightweight, reliable and cost-effective seamless shape-adaptive control surfaces — our FlexFoilTM technology. Using aerospace-grade materials and actuators, the FlexFoilTM control surface is able to

produce large camber changes (-9 to +40 degrees), span-wise twist and high response rates (50 degrees/sec) throughout the flight regime. Flight testing is currently underway.

US Patents: 5971328, 6491262, 7384016 B1, European Patents: 1047593, 1603798, DE 69934210T2 — other US and intl. patents pending.

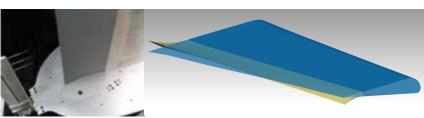






These wind tunnel tests show how our seamless compliant adaptive airfoil can change camber and twist while maintaining attached flow.

The Flexfoil™ wing's span-wise twist reduces wing root bending moments by shifting loads inboard and lowering induced drag.







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FlexRotor — Expanding the Rotorcraft Envelope



FlexRotor variable geometry rotorcraft leading and trailing edges can lower drag on the advancing blade and delay dynamic stall on the retreating blade. This makes for significant improvements in hover and forward speed performance. It also eliminates the Swash Plate and reduces vibration and dynamic stress while allowing for increased payloads and flight ceilings.

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FlexRotor — Adaptive Compliant Helicopter Leading Edge

Significant improvements in forward speed and payload

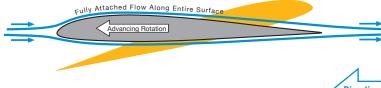




Shock Induced Flow Separation

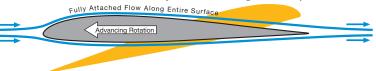
CONVENTIONAL ROTOR

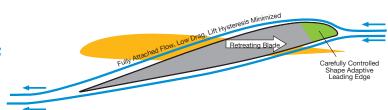
Blade Stall occurs at the outer 1/3 of rotor span



Direction of Flight

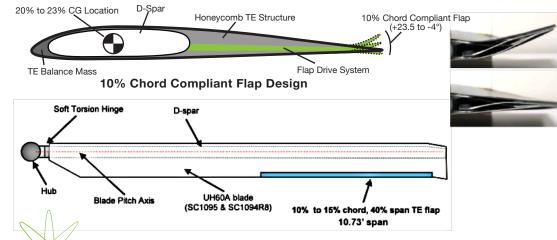
FlexRotor — Variable Geometry Leading Edge No Blade Stall occurs anywhere along rotor span

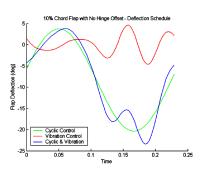




FlexRotor — Adaptive Compliant Trailing Edge

Performance and Reliability





The FlexRotor variable geometry trailing edge has lower drag on the advancing blade and higher lift and delayed dynamic stall on the retreating blade.

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