

ChE 374–Lecture 32–Turbines

- Pumps add mechanical Energy to increase the fluid head. Turbines EXTRACT mechanical energy at the expense of fluid head (decreased pressure).
- Turbine types:
 - Hydraulic, wind, steam, gas.
 - Typically more efficient than pumps (larger, less separation, lower speed, narrower operating range).
- 2 Types: Positive displacement (for flow measurement), and DYNAMIC (our focus, for power production).
 - Dynamic: pumps have *impellers*, turbines have *runners*.
 - * 2 types: Impulse and Reaction.
- Impulse turbines (Pelton Wheel)
 - High Head, Low Flow.
 - Fluid through nozzle, deflected in a wheel of buckets. Pressure is converted to kinetic energy, that impinges on and rotates the bucket wheel.
 - Analyse with a momentum balance.
 - * Optimal redirection angle is 180° in theory, and 160° as a practical compromise.
 - * Optimal bucket speed is $u = V_j/3$, where V_j is the jet velocity. (Book says its $u = V_j/2$).
 - * Efficiencies up to 90%
- Reaction Turbines.
 - As for pumps, have Centrifugal, Mixed Flow, and Axial.
 - 2 Types: Francis and Kaplan
 - * Francis: Radial and Mixed Flow: Med. Head and Med. Flow.
 - * Kaplan: Axial Flow (propeller with variable pitch): Low Head, High Flow.
 - * $\eta = \text{bhp}/\rho g H \dot{V}$.
- Wind Turbines:
 - $\dot{W}_{\text{avail}} = \text{K.E.} \times \text{flow rate} = \frac{1}{2}v^2 \dot{m} = \frac{1}{2}\rho v^3 A$.
 - * Power $\propto A$, Power $\propto v^3$.
 - $\eta = C_p = \dot{W}/\dot{W}_{\text{avail}}$.
 - * Show with momentum balance and B.E. that $C_{p,\text{max}} = 16/27 = 0.5926$.
 - This is the best possible, and the best in practice is around 0.45.
- Scaling laws are similar as for pumps: C_H , C_Q , C_p , η , but use C_p , not C_Q as the independent parameter.
- Choose turbine type based on the Turbine specific speed N_{st} .
 - Impulse for $N_{st} < 0.3$
 - Francis for $N_{st} = 0.3 - 2$
 - Kaplan for $N_{st} > 2$
 - CAREFUL OF THE UNITS

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- Pumps → add mechanical energy to increase fluid head
- Turbines → Extract mechanical energy via fluid head.

Types

Hydraulic

Wind

Steam

Gas

Turbines typically more efficient than pumps

- Larger → less visc effects (higher Re)
 - Less separation (pressure drops)
 - lower speed → lower friction
 - narrower op. range → more specific design.
- Turbines are "like" inverse pumps.
 - Some machines can op. as a pump or a turbine.

2 Types

• Positive Displacement.

- mostly used for flow measurement, not power prod.

• Dynamic

- used for flow and power.
- pump → impeller
- turbine → runner.

• 2 types -

- ① Impulse
- ② Reaction.

Impulse → Pelton wheel.

- High Head, lower flow.

- Fluid sent through nozzle → P → K.E.

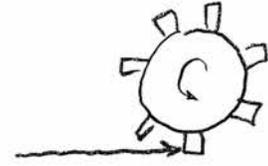
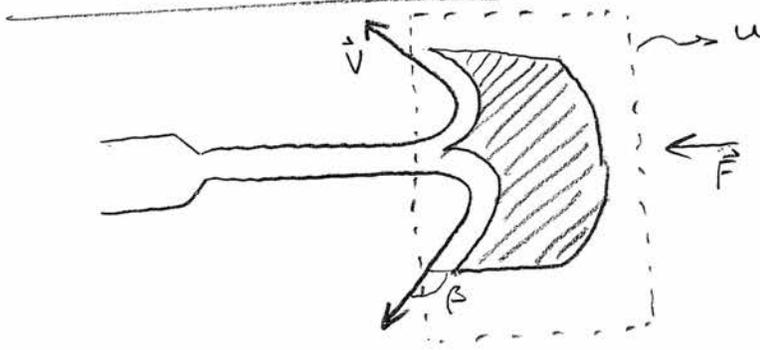
- Nozzle jet deflected in a bucket causing the wheel to turn
→ produce power.

- Flow is split, redirected.

→

Pelton wheel Analysis

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• $u = \omega r$

• Groove in bucket to allow passage of jet.

Mom. Balance: Control volume around bucket.

$$\vec{F} = (\dot{m}V)_{out} - (\dot{m}V)_{in}$$

X-momentum

$$V_{in} = V_j - u$$

$$V_{out} = V_{in} \cos \beta = (V_j - u) \cos \beta$$

$$\dot{m}_j = \rho A V_j \rightarrow A = \dot{m}_j / \rho V_j$$

$$\dot{m}_r = \rho A (V_j - u)$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{m}_r = \dot{m}_j \left(1 - \frac{u}{V_j}\right)$$

Insert

$$-F = \dot{m}_j \left(1 - \frac{u}{V_j}\right) (V_j - u) (\cos \beta - 1)$$

* $F = \dot{m}_j \left(1 - \frac{u}{V_j}\right) (V_j - u) (1 - \cos \beta)$

* $\dot{W} = Fu = \dot{m}_j u \left(1 - \frac{u}{V_j}\right) (V_j - u) (1 - \cos \beta)$

Optimal β : $\frac{d\dot{W}}{d\beta} = 0 = \sin \beta \rightarrow \beta = 0^\circ$ or $\boxed{\beta = 180^\circ}$

- in practice $\beta \sim 160^\circ$ otherwise hit back of bucket.

- This is same result as in mom. Balance.

higher force when deflected 180°

Optimal u :

$$\frac{dW}{du} = 0 = \cancel{\rho g (1 - \cos \beta)} \left[V_f - 4u + 3 \frac{u^2}{V_f} \right]$$

$$\frac{3}{V_f} u^2 - 4u + V_f = 0 \rightarrow \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 12}}{6/V_f} = V_f \left(\frac{4 \pm 2}{6} \right)$$

$u = V_f$ or $u = \frac{V_f}{3}$
trivial

- Note, back wrong $\rightarrow u = \frac{V_f}{2}$

- η up to 90%

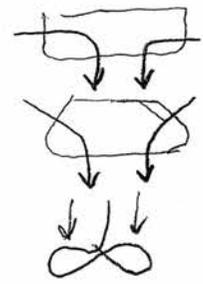
Reaction Turbines

Like Pumps - Centrifugal, mixed flow, axial.

2 Types

- Francis
- Kaplan

Francis \rightarrow radial flow
 \rightarrow mixed flow



med head
med flow

Kaplan \rightarrow Axial flow
 (propeller w/ variable pitch)

low head
high flow

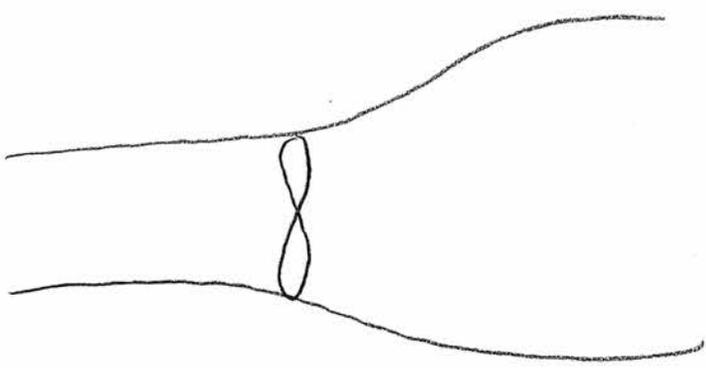
$$\text{Eff: } \eta_{\text{turb}} = \frac{1}{\eta_{\text{pump}}} = \frac{\text{bhp}}{\rho g H Q}$$

- Turbines can be very big.

Gas turbines / Steam

- multi-stage.
- Steam
- Power
- propulsion
- axial flow.

Wind Turbines.



- $\dot{W}_{avail} = KE \times \text{flow rate}$
- $= \frac{1}{2} V^2 \dot{m} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^3 A$

• Power $\propto A$
 $\propto V^3$

- $\eta = C_p = \frac{\dot{W}}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^3 A}$

$\frac{W}{A} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V^3 \cdot C$

100	V/m ²	Answers okay Great
400		
700		

* Can show w/ Max Betal / B.E. (see pg 828-829)
 That $C_{p,max} = \frac{16}{27} = \underline{\underline{0.5926}} \rightarrow \text{best possible!}$

• Best in practice $\approx \underline{\underline{0.45}}$

Scaling laws

Like pumps : C_H, C_Q, C_p, η

But use C_p not C_Q as indep parameter.

$C_H = C_H(C_p)$

$C_Q = C_Q(C_p)$

$\eta = C_\eta(C_p)$

again, neglecting Re, $\frac{L}{D}$ effects.

Choosing Pump & Turbine Types

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Specific speed

Pumps

$\frac{\text{Flow}}{\text{Head}}$: ratio w/o D

$$N_{sp} = \frac{C_Q^{1/2}}{C_H^{3/4}} = \frac{Q^{1/2}}{\omega^{1/2} D^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{\omega^{3/2} D^{3/2}}{g^{3/4} H^{3/4}} = \frac{\omega Q^{1/2}}{(gH)^{3/4}}$$

- each pump has BEP at diff. N_{sp}

- plot η_{max} vs N_{sp}



use to choose pump type.

cent	$N_{sp} < 1.5$
mixed	$N_{sp} 1.5 - 3.5$
axial	$N_{sp} > 3.5$

Turbines

$$N_{st} = \frac{\omega (\text{bhp})^{1/2}}{P^{1/2} (gH)^{3/4}}$$

Impulse	$N_{st} < 0.3$
Francis	$N_{st} 0.3 - 2$
Kaplan	$N_{st} > 2$

U.S. Pumps

$$\rightarrow \frac{n(\text{rpm}) [Q(\text{gal/min})]^{1/2}}{H(\text{ft})}$$

U.S. turbs

$$\rightarrow \frac{n(\text{rpm}) (\text{bhp (hp)})^{1/2}}{(H, H_t)^{5/4}}$$

European version kW