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Turbomachinery Blade Theory

By Assistant Lecturer Layth Abed Hassnawe The energy transfer in turbomachines is affected by changing the angular momentum of the fluid. The change in angular momentum is caused by the dynamic action of one or more rotating blade rows.





Sets up forces between the blade row and the fluid

Blade

Fluid



- **F**_p = **Pressure Force**.
- **F**_n**=** Normal Direction Force.
- F_w= Velocity Force.
- **F**_m**=** Meditational Direction Force.
- **F**_D**= Dr**ag **Force**.



Components of these forces in the direction of blade motion give rise to the energy transfer between the <u>blades and fluid</u>

BLADE TERMINOLOGY

1- Base Profile:

It is defined by dividing the major axis into equally spaced stations designated as a percentage of the blade length and specifying the height from axis to profile at each station



figure show the parameters used in describing blade shapes and configuration of blades

2- Maximum thickness :

It is a useful parameter it is expressed as a percentage of the blade length.

<u>3- Position of maximum thickness :</u>

it is specified as a percentage of the blade length.

4-Leading edge (Nose):

It is usually a circular and specified by radius as a percentage of the maximum thickness.

5-Trailing edge:

It is ideally sharp (zero radius) but as this is impossible. It is circular are specified as percentage of the maximum thickness.

6- Camber line:

It is formed either by one or more circular arc or one or two parabolic arcs its geometrically simple





Compressor cascade nomenclatures

A <u>cascade</u> is a row of geometrically similar blades arranged at equal distances from each other and aligned to the flow direction















f- Air deflection angle :

The difference between the inlet air angle and the outlet air angle is denoted as $\varepsilon = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ for the turbine

 $\epsilon = \theta + i - \delta$ for the compressor

Not:

1- The blade camber angle for the turbine is defined : $\theta = (\dot{\alpha}_1 + \dot{\alpha}_2)$ as the sum of inlet and out let camber angle

2- i = $(\alpha_1 - \dot{\alpha}_1)$ is the same in compressor or turbine . 3- $\delta = (\dot{\alpha}_2 - \alpha_2)$ for the turbine

(Drag & Lift)-Force

•The lift is due to an unbalanced force (pressure distribution is denoted as (L)

•The drag is due to the shearing stress at , the surface and the consequent boundary layer. The drag force is made up of a friction drag and is denoted as (D)



Lift and Drag Coefficients

 C_I = Lift coefficients is a measure of the ability of a given section to support a weight when caused to move through a fluid , as in the case of aeroplane wing.

$$C_{L} = \frac{L}{(0.5 \rho W_{m}^{2} A)}$$

Drag coefficient is a measure of the loss of energy associated with the useful task of producing lift .

$$C_{D} = \frac{D}{(0.5 \rho W_{m}^{2} A)}$$

Not.

 W_m =Mean relative velocity .

A=Area of the body.

0.5= factor.

 $0.5 \,\rho W_m^2$ = Dynamic Pressure.

The condition for a blade section should attempt to approach those for laminar flow over a flat plate, as this gives the lowest possible drag coefficient. But it is difficult to a chive this in practice, because :

1. Blades must have the curvature to change the direction of the fluid , introducing a pressure gradient and a tendency for flow separation.



- 2. Blades must have a finite thickness from consideration of strength.
- 3. The fluid has a high turbulence level.





Q: Compare between the turbine and compressor blade passage

W1&W2=Velocity Vectors U= The impeller tangential velocity

