

Tutorial Problems for exercise

1. A 3-D design of a rotor blade of axial flow compressor following vortex laws may be used :

$$C_{w1} = (aR - b)/R \quad \text{and} \quad C_{w2} = (aR + b)/R$$

$$\text{Where } R = r/r_{\text{mean}}$$

And following data may be used : hub/tip radius ratio, $r_h / r_t = 0.6$; $C_a = \text{constant across the rotor at mean radius}$

At mean radius $C_{w1} = 60 \text{ m/s}$; $C_{w2} = 150 \text{ m/s}$

Specific work = 21.6 kJ/kg

Calculate the following parameters :

- i) at mean radius : ΔT , R_x , a , b
- ii) at root and tip, R_x
- iii) at root and tip : inlet and exit axial velocities, C_{a1} , C_{a2}
- iv) Inlet and exit flow angles at root, mean and tip

2) The table here shows a few data of an axial flow compressor rotor designed with Free vortex theory.

- i) Calculate all the data to complete the table
- ii) Plot the entry and exit velocity triangles at root, mean and tip

Variable	Root Section	Mean Section	Tip Section
C_{w1} [m/s]	32	24	?
C_{w2} [m/s]	?	150	?
$R[r/r_m]$?	?	?
U_1 [m/s]	?	?	?
U_2 [m/s]	?	?	?
R_x	?	?	?
C_{a1} [m/s]	109	?	?
C_{a2} [m/s]	?	?	?
ΔT_0 [K]	?	?	?
$U\Delta C_w$ [J/kg]	?	?	?
α_1 [°]	?	?	?
α_2 [°]	?	?	?
β_1 [°]	?	?	?
β_2 [°]	?	?	?
Chord [cm]	6.0	5.5	5.0

3. An axial flow compressor with hub/tip radius ratio of 0.4 and maximum diameter as 0.6m, has been designed with constant reaction of 50% from root to tip . The blade tip speed $U_{tip} = 300$ m/s. The stagnation temperature rise is 16° C. The axial velocity prescribed for the flow near the casing, upstream of rotor, is 120 m/s. For air $c_p = 1.005$ kJ/kgK.

Determine the axial velocity before and after the rotor such that radial equilibrium is maintained.