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To my mother and my brother

Abstract

The aim of this study is to create a Python-based program utilizing the vortex lattice method to enhance the efficiency of marine propellers while achieving a specified thrust.

The optimization procedure consists of solving a variational problem where the torque applied to the propeller is minimized for a given propeller thrust. In classical theory, this problem is addressed through an integral formulation where the propeller is represented as a lifting line with a continuous distribution of circulation. Betz (1927) [1] and Lerbs (1952) [2] provided solutions for this problem, respectively, for propellers in open water and in a radially varying wake, establishing two optimal criteria. To tackle the problem, Munk's displacement theorem is applied, and the problem is linearized. The method employed in this study to solve the problem is based on the approach outlined by Kerwin et al. (1986) [3].

In this method, the approach involves discretizing the continuous distribution of circulation, which allows for a direct solution to the problem without relying on classical theory assumptions. Unlike Kerwin et al., who employed a lifting line model for the propeller, this study utilizes the vortex lattice method. This method enables the integration of the entire blade's impact into the optimization process. The vortex lattice method entails representing the propeller blade with a grid of quadrilateral panels, each with constant circulation. Consequently, horseshoe vortices are formed, following helical trajectories. According to Munk's displacement theorem, specifying the chordwise distribution of circulation is necessary to solve the variational problem. However, it is noted that the primary contribution to the propeller blade's forces comes from the vortex located along the trailing edge, which combines the two shed vortices into a horseshoe vortex. Indeed, in accordance with Munk's displacement theorem, the form of the chordwise distribution of circulation has only a small influence on the results. By incorporating the entire blade in the optimization process, this study aims to examine the impact of propeller geometry on the optimal circulation distribution, thus providing a comparison with Olsen's findings [4]. The study compared the performance of four propellers, each with systematically varied skew and skew-induced rake, from the David W. Taylor Naval Ship Research and Development Center (DTNSRDC) series against the findings of Olsen (2001) [4]. This comparison was found to be highly satisfactory, revealing a consistent trend in the results.

In conclusion, this study presents an approach to optimizing the distribution of circulation along a propeller blade, leveraging the vortex lattice method to extend beyond the confines of classical theory. This methodology facilitates a detailed integration of propeller blade geometry into the optimization process, offering a deeper insight into how propeller geometry influences performance. Importantly, the use of Python, a free and open-source programming language, underscores the study's commitment to accessibility and reproducibility. The Python code developed for this project will be made available in the appendix, allowing others to replicate, verify, and build upon this work without financial barriers. The findings align with and expand upon previous research (Mishima and Kinnas 1997 [36]), notably demonstrating efficiency improvements with increased skew.

Riassunto

L'obiettivo di questo studio è creare un programma basato su Python che utilizzi il metodo vortex-lattice per migliorare l'efficienza delle eliche marine, mirando a ottenere una spinta specifica.

La distribuzione ottimale della circolazione è determinata risolvendo un problema variazionale in cui la coppia dell'elica è minimizzata per una data spinta. Nella teoria classica, questo problema viene affrontato attraverso una formulazione integrale, in cui l'elica è rappresentata come una linea portante con una distribuzione continua di circolazione. Betz (1927) [1] e Lerbs (1952) [2] hanno fornito soluzioni per questo problema, rispettivamente, per eliche in acque libere e con un flusso sulla scia che varia radialmente, stabilendo due criteri ottimali. Per affrontare il problema, si applica il teorema di Munk, e il problema viene linearizzato. Il metodo impiegato in questo studio per risolvere il problema si basa sull'approccio delineato da Kerwin et al. (1986) [3].

In questo metodo, la distribuzione continua della circolazione è discretizzata, consentendo la soluzione diretta del problema senza dipendere dalle ipotesi della teoria classica. A differenza di Kerwin et al., che hanno utilizzato un modello a linea portante per l'elica, questo studio utilizza il metodo vortex-lattice, consentendo l'integrazione dell'intera pala nell'ottimizzazione. L'utilizzo del metodo vortex-lattice comporta la rappresentazione della pala dell'elica con una griglia di pannelli quadrilateri con circolazione costante, risultando in vortici a ferro di cavallo che seguono traiettorie elicoidali. Secondo il teorema di Munk, è necessario specificare la distribuzione di circolazione lungo la corda per risolvere il problema variazionale. Si osserva che il principale contributo alle forze sulla pala dell'elica, proviene dal vortice situato lungo il bordo d'uscita, dove i due vortici liberi si combinano in un vortice a ferro di cavallo. Infatti, in accordo con il teorema di spostamento di Munk, la forma della distribuzione di circolazione lungo la corda ha solo una piccola influenza sui risultati. Considerando l'intera pala nel processo di ottimizzazione, è possibile esaminare e confrontare l'impatto della geometria dell'elica sulla distribuzione ottimale della circolazione, con i risultati di Olsen [4].

Lo studio ha confrontato le prestazioni di quattro eliche, ciascuna con Skew e Rake indotti da Skew, sistematicamente variati, della serie di eliche David W. Taylor Naval Ship Research and Development Center (DTNSRDC), con i risultati di Olsen (2001) [4]. Il confronto è risultato molto soddisfacente e ha rivelato una tendenza coerente nei risultati.

In conclusione, questo studio presenta un approccio per ottimizzare la distribuzione della circolazione lungo una pala d'elica, sfruttando il metodo vortex-lattice, per andare oltre i limiti della teoria classica. Questa metodologia facilita l'integrazione dettagliata della geometria della pala dell'elica nel processo di ottimizzazione, offrendo una visione più approfondita di come la geometria dell'elica influenzi le prestazioni. L'uso di Python, un linguaggio di programmazione libero e gratuito, sottolinea l'impegno dello studio verso l'accessibilità e la riproducibilità. Il codice Python sviluppato per questo progetto sarà reso disponibile in appendice, consentendo ad altri di replicare, verificare e sviluppare questo lavoro senza barriere finanziarie. I risultati si allineano e ampliano le ricerche precedenti (Mishima e Kinnas 1997 [36]), dimostrando, in particolare, miglioramenti dell'efficienza con l'aumento dello Skew.

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1 Introduction

Despite the challenges posed by various global crises in recent years, including economic downturns, geopolitical tension, and pandemics, a significant portion of global trade—exceeding two-thirds—continues to be conducted through maritime transport. This includes vital trade involving food, energy, and other essential commodities. Specifically, maritime transport accounts for 77% of European foreign trade and 35% of European trade [15]. As of the beginning of 2023, the total maritime fleet comprised of 105,500 vessels of at least 100 gross tonnage (GT), and offering a capacity of 2.3 billion deadweight tons (DWT), marking an increase of 70 million DWT compared to the preceding year.

Moreover, the volume of maritime trade has been on an upward trajectory, experiencing a 2.3% increase in 2023, with projections indicating a further growth rate of 2.1% over the coming five years. This trend not only highlights the critical role of maritime transport in enabling global trade but also brings to light the consequential rise in the average distance covered to transport goods. Such an expansion in maritime trade activities has precipitated a notable increase in carbon emissions, which, at the outset of 2023, were observed to be 20% higher than figures recorded two decades prior [15]. This exacerbates the urgency of addressing the environmental impact associated with maritime trade.

Given the current pace of trade expansion and increasing demand, emissions are forecasted to escalate by 50% to 250% by the year 2050, barring the implementation of effective mitigatory strategies. Presently, a staggering 98.8% [4] of the global shipping fleet is dependent on fossil fuels, with the combustion of marine fuel oil (HFO) releasing significant quantities of carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O) into the atmosphere. It's worth noting that merchant vessels emit approximately 16.14 grams of CO₂ per kilometer for each ton of cargo transported, although it is observed that larger ships and cargoes generally achieve greater energy efficiency on a per-unit-load basis. This reality accentuates the pressing need to confront and mitigate the environmental consequences stemming from maritime trade, underscoring the urgency of action in this domain.

In response to growing environmental concerns, national and international organizations are stepping up to tackle the pollution caused by ships. At the 76th session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 76) in June 2021, changes were made to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL), which started being enforced at the end of 2022. The International Maritime Organization (IMO) is now requiring ships to adopt short-term actions to cut down on pollution [6]. The goal is to significantly lower emissions by 2050, aiming for a 40% reduction by 2030 compared to 2008, and aiming even higher with a 70% reduction by 2050. [23].

To put these new rules into practice, ships must calculate two things: the Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index (EEXI) and the Carbon Intensity Indicator (CII). This approach, which started in 2013 for new ships with the Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI), is now being applied to all ships. Specifically, ships that are 400 gross tonnage or larger must complete the EEXI calculation. This is a big move towards making ships more energy-efficient and reducing their impact on the environment.

The EEXI is represented by the amount of CO₂ emitted per unit of traffic volume and is calculated based on fuel consumption and other ship characteristics [7]. On the other hand, the CII determines the annual reduction factor required to ensure a continuous improvement in the

operational intensity of carbon emissions from a ship.

Various strategies proposed by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) aim to improve the energy efficiency of maritime vessels. These include leveraging renewable energy for power generation, adopting alternative fuels like liquefied natural gas (LNG) to lower emissions, refining ship design and equipment for better operational efficiency, imposing power restrictions, providing shore-based electricity supply, and introducing supportive measures, such as improvements in land-based transport and logistics management.

It is important to highlight that by concentrating on the hydrodynamic performance of ships, which entails the optimization of propeller design, it is possible to significantly increase ship efficiency. This approach is not only in alignment with the EEXI and CII regulations but also emphasizes the potential for substantial improvements in maritime energy efficiency.

1.1 Investigating Adopted Strategies

Decarbonization strategies for ships focus on two main areas: improving energy efficiency, derived from technical modifications to the ship's structures and operational adjustments for better navigation, and adopting new-generation clean fuels, specifically hydrogen, liquefied natural gas (LNG) and ammonia. Research from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology [9] has confirmed that emissions can be significantly reduced through these approaches, identifying six key mitigation strategies with substantial potential for emission reduction: hull design improvements (4-30%), economies of scale and advancements in power and propulsion (2-45%), optimizing speed (1-60%), adopting cleaner fuels such as LNG and ammonia (25-84%), exploring alternative energy sources (1-50%), and improving weather routing and scheduling (0.1-48%).

Within the power and propulsion strategies framework, a central approach to minimising emission in the maritime industry involves optimising propeller design [8]. This effort is integral to improving the efficiency of ship propulsion system [9], directly impacting fuel consumption and, consequently, emissions. Such optimisation is crucial for reducing the torque required while maintaining the same thrust, thereby increasing the propeller's efficiency. This approach directly addresses the need to enhance propeller performance by achieving greater propulsion efficiency with less energy cost. By optimising the design to minimise torque demands without compromising on thrust, ships can achieve smoother and more fuel-efficient operations, significantly improving overall propeller and vessel efficiency.

1.2 Objective of the Thesis

As of the current date, the selection of codes available for marine propeller optimization, remains limited, with OpenProp, PROPAN, and Xfoil being among the most notable. Despite their open-source status, their implementation in either MATLAB or Fortran requires either financial expenditure for a license or specialized programming expertise. This situation highlights the urgent need for the development of a new open-source code utilizing Python programming language. Such a development aims to offer a freely accessible and user-friendly alternative for the broader community, overcoming the limitations associated with proprietary platforms.

The choice to implement the method in Python is dictated by the fact that it is the most widely used programming language in the scientific field. This is because it is open to everyone and has a simple language that is easy to understand. Additionally, it has been developed over the years, providing a large library, manuals, and information developed by programmers. You can implement and automate many functions, and its extensive collection of libraries makes it usable across various fields.

2 Literature Review

2.1 Propeller Design

The design of propellers is a complex task that balances efficiency, power, and noise reduction, among other considerations. Primarily, there are three approaches to propeller design: the series approach, numerical methods, and experimental methods. Each has its advantages and is frequently used in combination with others to develop and refine propeller systems. The series approach utilizes data from previously tested propellers under various conditions to create new designs. It relies on systematic variations of essential propeller parameters such as diameter, pitch, blade number, and shape. Designers can consult charts or databases documenting the performance of different propeller geometries to select a design that closely meets their requirements. A renowned example is the Wageningen B-Series.

Numerical methods employ computational techniques to simulate the flow around propellers and predict their performance. Within the realm of numerical approaches for propeller design, two primary methods are significant: potential flow theory and Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD). Potential flow theory simplifies the complex physics of fluid motion by assuming the fluid is inviscid and irrotational, effectively ignoring viscosity's effects. While this simplification reduces computational demands, it offers valuable insights into the flow field around propellers, particularly beneficial during the preliminary design phases for a broad exploration of the design space. CFD involves a range of computational techniques that solve the Navier-Stokes equations to simulate fluid flow with high fidelity. It captures complex flow phenomena, including turbulence, separation, and viscous effects, providing a detailed understanding of the flow around a propeller. However, the high computational cost of CFD, requiring more powerful computing resources and longer computation times, makes it less suitable for initial exploratory studies but invaluable for finalizing designs and conducting detailed performance analyses.

Experimental testing involves physically manufacturing a propeller and testing it in a controlled environment, such as towing tanks and cavitation tunnels. These tests yield essential data on the propeller's performance, including thrust, torque, and efficiency, along with insights into flow patterns, noise, and vibration levels. Experimental methods are often used to validate and refine designs derived from series or numerical simulations. Despite being expensive and time-consuming, experimental testing remains an indispensable part of the propeller design process, especially for final validation before production or for investigating new concepts.

Concentrating on potential flow theory, several key methodologies stand out. Among these, the lifting line model is particularly noteworthy for its simplicity in depicting propeller action. In this model, the intricate aerodynamic profiles of blade sections are elegantly replaced with a singular line vortex, providing a streamlined yet effective approach to understanding propeller dynamics. However, this simplification also serves as its primary limitation, as it fails to accurately capture three-dimensional flow effects and complex vortical patterns, especially near the blade tips. Moving on to the lifting surface model, this approach offers a more nuanced representation by considering the propeller blades as finite lifting surfaces. This method allows for a better approximation of the three-dimensional flow around the blades, capturing the essential aspects of blade geometry and its influence on performance. Despite its increased accuracy over the lifting line model, the lifting surface model is still hampered by its reliance on potential flow theory, which overlooks viscous effects and may not accurately predict performance in off-design conditions. [10].

Lastly, the boundary element method (BEM) represents a further advancement in modeling marine propellers. By discretizing the propeller blade and surrounding fluid domain into small elements, BEM can simulate the flow around the propeller with high fidelity, incorporating

both potential flow and viscous effects under certain formulations. This method is particularly effective in analyzing complex flow phenomena, such as cavitation and highly skewed flows. However, BEM's computational demand is significantly higher, requiring more sophisticated computational resources and longer processing times, which can be a considerable drawback for extensive parametric studies or real-time applications.

In summary, while each method has its pros and cons, the choice between the lifting line, lifting surface model, and boundary element method depends on the balance between computational efficiency and the level of detail required for accurate propeller performance prediction..

As mentioned previously, CFD provides detailed information about flow and pressure distributions, surpassing previous methods in its ability to capture complex fluid dynamics and interactions in marine propellers. Among the most commonly used solvers in CFD are the Reynolds-Averaged Navier-Stokes (RANS), Detached Eddy Simulation (DES), and Large Eddy Simulation (LES). These solvers offer different approaches to modeling turbulence, which is a key aspect in understanding the flow around marine propellers. In practice, fluid equations are substituted with discrete approximations at grid points, and the solution remains dependent on the spacing between grid points. Sometimes, the vortex lattice method or BEM method is coupled with a Reynolds-Averaged Navier-Stokes (RANS) method [11], providing valuable information on the viscous and cavitation behavior of propellers in analytical cases. While CFD yields accurate results, its practical complexity and computational times make it challenging to implement automated optimization.

2.2 Lifting Line Theory

Betz (1919) [1] expanded upon Prandtl's lifting-line theory to establish the basis for determining the radial distribution of circulations [10]. In this theory, the lift generated by a wing or propeller blade results from the circulation development around the section, following the Kutta-Joukowski law (the flow separates from the trailing edge in a 'smooth' manner with a finite velocity value). Betz introduced a criterion for minimal energy loss, defining the concept of an optimum propeller. The optimum propeller develops a trailing vortex system, creating a rigid helicoidal surface that extends infinitely downstream from the blade. This surface must translate as a rigid entity in the downstream direction. While the Betz condition remains accurate for propellers operating in uniform flow, it begins to demonstrate limitations for heavily loaded propulsors.

Goldstein (1929) [24], solved the potential problem, following Prandtl's concept: the three-dimensional problem can be solved by concentrating circulation around the blades on individual lifting lines, and the flow in each radial section could be considered two-dimensional if the velocity induced by the free flow alters the field in which they are located. The solution proved successful for aircraft. However, it was unsatisfactory for marine propellers, which are designed with low aspect ratios to mitigate cavitation phenomena. Additionally, the onset flow for propeller rotation is typically non-uniform. In the initial stages, corrections were made to adjust the camber of 2-D sections to accommodate the induced curvature of the flow. This curvature results from the velocity induced by the trailing vortex sheet, which is greater at the trailing edge than at the leading edge.

Seventeen years later, Cox (1961) [25], published precise results of these corrections, which were obtained using computers. In summary, analytical methods for practical applications were not available before the 1950s. In 1952 [2], Lerbs introduced changes by extending lifting line theory to include propellers with arbitrary radial distributions of circulation under both uniform and radially varying inflow conditions. Subsequently, in the 1960s, this procedure was computerized.

2.3 Lifting-Surface Method

Lerbs' method continues to be utilized for radial distribution in the initial stages of design. During this period, Eckhart and Morgan (1955) [26], developed a combination of Lerbs' lifting-line theory and lifting-surface correction for camber and angle of attack, marking a significant advancement in lifting surface theory. As technology became more available, numerical methods for lifting surface evolved, including those developed by Kerwin (1961) and van Manen & Bakker (1962) [11]. However, these methods were based on simplifying assumptions that became inadequate with technological advancements.

During the early stages of lifting surface analysis, linear theory was employed to simplify the problem. Linear theory assumes that the blade and wake can be projected onto stream surfaces formed by the undisturbed flow. This was necessary for the design process, where only a partial understanding of the blade surface geometry is initially available. Determining the radial distribution of pitch, as well as the chordwise and radial distribution of camber, becomes necessary, and for calculating their induced velocity, sources and vortices must be positioned. However, in reality, the resulting blade surfaces often deviate from the assumptions made in linear theory. Therefore, the procedure computes the total fluid velocity at a number of points on the surface and then adjusts the surface in such a way as to annul its normal component.

Two calculation methods for the lifting surface are PROPLS, developed by Brockett (1981) [27], which directly integrates the resulting singular integrals, and PBD-IO, developed by Kerwin [11], which employs a vortex-lattice procedure. In Kerwin's method, the process starts with assuming the pitch and camber, then calculating the total flow velocity. Afterward, the surface is adjusted, the process is repeated using the new reference surface until convergence is obtained. In the vortex lattice approach, continuous distributions of vortices and sources are substituted with a series of concentrated rectilinear elements. These elements have endpoints positioned along the average surface of the blade. Velocities are subsequently computed at control points strategically positioned between these elements. Therefore, proper placement of control points and lattice elements is crucial. Vortex lattice methods are typically highly robust and James (1972) [17] and Lan (1974) [18] both provided rigorous demonstrations of the convergence of vortex-lattice methods in two-dimensional flow. James specifically addressed scenarios with constant vortex spacing, confirming that placing the control point at three-fourths of the element length yields the correct solution.

Subsequent advancements in propeller design were pioneered by Tsakonas et al. (1983) [28], Lee (1978) [29], van Gent (1977) [30], and Greeley (1982) [31]. These methods diverged from traditional approaches by acknowledging that induced velocities might not always be negligible compared to the initial flow velocity. They allowed for deviations in the positions, of the blade and the wake, of the trailing vortex from the undisturbed flow surface. The primary objective

was to address the limitations of previous methods, particularly in their treatment of chord-wise lift, and to incorporate the effects of skew and rake into the analysis.

Lee and Kerwin et al. developed the vortex lattice code PUF-3 in its original form (1978) [29] then, Greeley and Kerwin expanded upon the existing approach by introducing a semi-empirical method aimed at forecasting the leading-edge separation point (1982). Greeley employed a program that utilizes a vortex lattice model for the blades, aligning with the design process outlined earlier. However, in this approach, each vortex element along the span is treated as an unknown and determined through collocation using an equal number of control points distributed across the blade. To model the strength of circulation/lift, a distribution of vortices is positioned on the mean surface of the blades. These vortices represent the circulation or lift generated by the blades. Additionally, to account for induced drag, several free trailing vortices are shed from each blade element.

Initially, the circulation distribution on the blades, and consequently in the wake, is determined based on an assumed wake geometry. This circulation distribution remains fixed while iteratively adjusting the position of the wake to align with the flow. This iterative process continues until convergence is achieved, indicating that the wake is accurately aligned with the flow. Once convergence is reached, the circulation distribution is recalculated based on the adjusted wake geometry, and the entire process is repeated. Iterations continue until the changes in the circulation distribution fall below a certain predefined tolerance level.

Brockett [27], calculates the induced velocities on the blades through one of direct numerical integrations. He assumes the blades to be thin, which allows the singularities distributed on both sides of the blades to collapse into a single surface. Additionally, he suggests defining the effective wake as the total velocity at any point in the fluid with a propeller in operation, subtracting the potential component of the propeller-induced velocity. This definition simplifies the propeller problem to determining the velocity potential in an unbounded fluid, satisfying the kinematic boundary condition on the propeller surface, along with kinematic and dynamic boundary conditions at the trailing edge and on the trailing vortex sheets behind the blades. However, he himself demonstrates the robustness of the convergence proofs of vortex-lattice methods in two-dimensional flow.

During recent years, development in studies on less conventional propeller designs and wake alignment has advanced. Leading figures in this area include Kerwin et al. (1986)[3], Andersen (1997)[32], developed the theory for tip-modified geometry, where the lifting line can be curved, in order to include the influence of skew and rake, and Jong (1991) [20]. Additionally, for investigations into energy coefficients and analyses under unsteady and off-design conditions, Caponetto (2000)[33], and Karim et al. (2001) [34], have made significant contributions.

2.4 Boundary Element Method

The boundary element method for propeller analysis has been developed in recent years to overcome two challenges of lifting surface analyses. The first relates to the occurrence of local errors near the leading edge, while the second concerns more widespread errors near the hub, where blades are closely spaced and relatively thick.

Although a local correction derived from Lighthill's work can address the first problem to some extent, the second problem persists. Boundary element methods, essentially panel methods, were initially introduced in the aircraft industry and later applied to propeller technology in the 1980s.

Hess and Valarezo (1985) [35], introduced an analysis method based on earlier work by Hess and Smith. Hoshino subsequently developed a surface panel method for hydrodynamic analysis of propellers operating in steady flow. These methods have achieved good agreement between theoretical and experimental results for blade pressure distributions and open water characteristics. Further advancements, such as those by Kinnas and colleagues at the University of Texas, Austin, have extended boundary element codes to solve for unsteady cavitating flow around propellers, considering non-axisymmetric inflow conditions and other factors such as mid-chord cavitation and unsteady tip vortex cavitation.

Additionally, efforts have been made to enhance slipstream flow prediction using iterative methods aligning the wake surface to local flow conditions. Within the framework of the MARIN-based Cooperative Research Ships organization, Vaz and Bosschers have developed a three-dimensional sheet cavitation model using a boundary element model of marine propellers. These developments aim to improve prediction accuracy under various conditions, including behind conditions and cavity volume variations influenced by non-cavitating propeller effects and viscous effects.

2.5 Computational Fluid Dynamics

During the past decade, significant advancements have been achieved in applying computational fluid dynamics (CFD) [13]. These advancements have enabled valuable insights into the viscous and cavitation behaviors of propellers, particularly in the analysis context. However, while progress has been made in using these methods for design purposes, widespread acceptance has not yet been attained. Various modeling approaches, including Reynolds Averaged Navier–Stokes (RANS) method, Large Eddy Simulation (LES), Detached Eddy Simulations (DES), and Direct Numerical Simulations (DNS), have been developed for analyzing flow around cavitating and non-cavitating propellers.

However, in practical propeller computations, computational efforts limit the application of many of these methods. RANS codes are favored due to their relatively lower computational times compared to other methods. Despite common features such as multi-grid acceleration and finite volume approximations, differences exist among practitioners in grid topology, cavitating flow modeling, and turbulence modeling.

2.6 Conclusion

The propeller optimization code employs the vortex-lattice approach. This method stands out for its computational efficiency, achieving significant savings in computational time during the design phase without compromising on accuracy. Over the years, the demonstrated functionality of the vortex lattice method has underscored its reliability in providing accurate approximations of propeller performance. Notably, it facilitates effective calculation of circulation on propeller blades, further highlighting its utility. The lifting line model was not selected because the vortex lattice method offers a superior capability to capture three-dimensional flow effects without significantly increasing computational time or complexity. Furthermore, the complexity of the Boundary Element Method (BEM) and the extensive computational demands of Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) rendered them unsuitable for the current project. Additionally, the prohibitive costs associated with physical model testing render such approaches impractical for the current project.

This study utilizes Kerwin's method (1986) [3] to establish the optimal distribution of circulation by minimizing torque for a given thrust through solving a variational problem. Essential to this approach is the incorporation of the entire blade's effect. Thrust and torque calculations for the propeller are executed using the vortex lattice method, accommodating nearly arbitrary propeller geometries. The method integrates a simple wake and blade alignment procedure akin to moderately loaded lifting lines, with thickness and hub effects omitted for simplicity. The study also considers skin friction drag. Providing input data such as propeller radius, hub radius, number of blades, chord length, skew, and rake distributions is required.

3 Potential Flow Theory

In fluid dynamics, the potential flow theory describes the velocity field of an inviscid, incompressible, and irrotational fluid as the gradient of a scalar function called potential, denoted as Φ :

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x_i} = u_i \quad (1)$$

This equation defines each component of the velocity in terms of the local spatial partial derivative, in the direction of the velocity component.

3.1 Simplified Mathematical Models

In fluid dynamics, the behavior of fluids is governed by various forces and moments, similar to how rigid bodies are governed. However, in fluids, these forces are distributed continuously throughout the fluid rather than acting at specific points. This means that the motion of fluid particles and the distribution of forces are described continuously, assuming that the individual molecules can be treated as part of a continuum. The three principal forces are inertial, gravitational, and viscous. Typically, gravitational forces are ignored, and the fluid can be considered inviscid with a high Reynolds number, because viscous effects are limited to the boundary layer. Consequently, external forces are primarily due to the lifting surface in the fluid

Before delving into describing fluid flows with the velocity potential, it's crucial to introduce two foundational principles: the equations for conservation of mass and for the conservation of momentum. In this discussion, simplified forms following Newman's approach will be utilized. [13]. The principle of conservation of mass, when applied to a continuum of fluids in motion, asserts that within a three-dimensional volume in space—modeled as a cube—where mass can flow through each face of this geometric element, mass cannot be created or destroyed over time but is conserved. Consequently, the net inflow into the volume, subtracted from the net outflow from the volume, equals the net change in mass within the volume.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho dV + \int_S \rho(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{n}) dS = 0 \quad (2)$$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ represents the partial derivative with respect to time t .

$\int_V \rho dV$ denotes the integral of mass density ρ over volume V .

$\int_S \rho(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{n}) dS$ represents the integral of the mass flux $\rho\vec{u}$ across the surface S with the normal vector \vec{n} .

Similarly, the conservation of momentum states that, the sum of all forces acting on the fluid volume, must equal the rate of change of momentum density of fluid particles.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_V \rho\vec{u} dV + \int_S \rho\vec{u}(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{n}) dS = \sum \vec{F} \quad (3)$$

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$\sum \vec{F}$ represents the sum of all external forces acting on the system, such a surface and body forces.

The mass and momentum equations are sufficient to describe fluid motion, but the use of a differential representation is more practical. However, these equations are quite complex, nonlinear, and interconnected, which makes solving them a challenge. Although empirical evidence supports the Navier-Stokes equations for describing Newtonian fluids (where viscosity stays constant regardless of flow velocity or stress), finding analytical solutions is often difficult. To make progress in fluid dynamics, simplifications are often applied to the equations by neglecting certain terms or assuming their values to be zero. However, these simplifications may introduce errors into the analysis. Despite this, using simplified equations is often justified because they are easier to compute compared to the full equations. In the following, situations where such simplifications can prove advantageous, will be discussed.

- Inviscid flow
- Irrotational flow
- Incompressible flow

In numerous applications, it's common to assume, that the fluid density remains constant. This assumption holds true not just for liquid flows, where compressibility can often be neglected, but also for gases when the Mach number is below 0.3. Incompressible flow refers to motion that doesn't involve expansion. Additionally, if the flow is isothermal, the viscosity remains constant as well.

The flow can be treated as inviscid, because in flows far from solid surfaces, viscosity effects are typically minimal. When viscous effects are completely neglected, essentially assuming the stress tensor reduces to zero, the Navier-Stokes equations simplify to the Euler equations. Since the fluid is considered non-viscous, it doesn't stick to walls, allowing for slip at solid boundaries. At high velocities, the Reynolds number is very high, and viscous and turbulence effects only become significant in a small region near the walls. By incorporating a frictional drag coefficient, the friction drag between the fluid and the body is accounted for. Using the Euler equations, flow motion can be predicted accurately.

The continuity equation for a steady incompressible and inviscid fluid becomes:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (4)$$

and the momentum equations:

$$\nabla \left(\frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} |\vec{u}|^2 \right) - \vec{u} \times \vec{w} = \frac{\vec{F}}{\rho} \quad (5)$$

where: $\nabla = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$ is the gradient operator.

$\vec{w} = \nabla \times \vec{u}$ is the vorticity.

p is the pressure.

F represents the external force exerted by the lifting surface in the fluid. The forces exerted

by the fluid on these surfaces, are equal in magnitude but opposite in direction, to the forces exerted by the surfaces on the fluid.

After these initial assumptions, the equations of motion become independent of time and rely solely on the Cartesian coordinates (x, y, z) . Additionally, the studied body is fully submerged, the fluid is water, and it is assumed that the wake behind the hull is steady and axi-symmetric.

3.2 Irrotational Flow

To further simplify these equations, let's start by narrowing down the range of fluid motions and introducing the concept of circulation. By applying Kelvin's theorem to two points P_1 and P_2 within a connected region of the fluid, connected by paths forming a closed and continuous loop C , the circulation, denoted as Γ , is defined as the integral of tangential velocity around this closed contour C . This circulation remains constant if the fluid is subjected to conservative forces.

$$\Gamma = \int_C \vec{u}_i d\vec{x}_i \quad (6)$$

Thanks to Stokes's theorem, the circulation can be related to the vorticity vector. For a continuously differentiable vector \vec{u} , it holds that:

$$\int_S (\nabla \times \vec{u}) \cdot dS = \int_C \vec{u} \cdot d\vec{x} \quad (7)$$

In a frame tied to the body, where the velocity remains steady, it only varies with position and stays constant infinitely far away. As a result, the vorticity w remains zero across all points in the flow field, that can be traced back to infinity through streamlines. This outcome is a direct implication of Kelvin's theorem, stating that the circulation measured along any closed material line, remains constant over time.

Consequently, any motion starting from a stable condition, will persist as irrotational over time. The absence of rotation in a potential flow, arises from the fact that the curl of a gradient is always zero, causing circulation to vanish. Since the flow starts from a state of rest, circulation should remain zero, indicating that the integrand must be zero as well. Thus, the fluid's motion is irrotational:

$$\nabla \times \vec{v} = 0 \quad (8)$$

This conclusion holds significant implications because an irrotational vector field can be represented as the gradient of a scalar function. This assertion is a consequence of Helmholtz's theorem in vector analysis, which states that any continuous and finite vector field can be expressed as the sum of the gradient of a scalar function Φ and the curl of a zero-divergence vector, this vector vanishes identically, if the original vector field is irrotational. Therefore, if the velocity field is irrotational, it can be simplified to just the gradient of the scalar function Φ , also known as the velocity potential.

This simplification greatly aids in analyzing and understanding fluid motion, as it reduces the complexity of the vector field representation to a scalar function.

$$\nabla\Phi = \vec{u} \tag{9}$$

and inserting this in the continuity Equation (4), one obtains:

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{u} = \nabla \cdot \nabla\Phi = \nabla^2\Phi = 0 \tag{10}$$

The motion can now be described by Laplace’s equation:

$$\nabla^2\phi = \frac{\partial^2\Phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\Phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\Phi}{\partial z^2} = 0 \tag{11}$$

- It is a partial differential equation.
- It is a linear equation (for which superposition of effects applies), and the elementary solutions/functions, which are continuous and derivable except possibly at some contour points, can be used to derive solutions of more complex problems
- It is solvable, like any differential equation, once the boundary conditions are provided
 - Dirichlet Conditions: The value of the potential is imposed on the boundary.
 - Neumann Conditions: The value of the normal derivative of the potential is imposed on the boundary of the domain.

3.3 Kutta Condition

The derivation of the Laplace equation is valid only for simply connected regions, where, the circulation (line integral) of velocity, along a closed curve is always zero (6). This also guarantees the uniqueness of the solution, except for an additive constant, that does not affect the velocity problem, as they are the derivatives of the potential, indifferent to constants. If the region is multiply connected, it can be made simply connected by "cutting" the region itself. However, the circulation calculated around a non-reducible curve, is no longer zero: its value is constant for any curve surrounding the body and is constant along the cut. The uniqueness of the solution

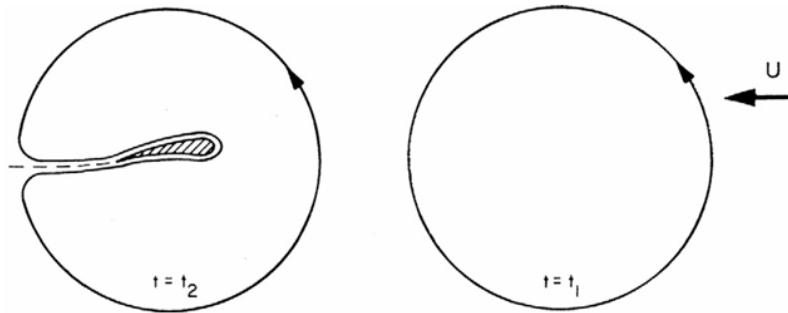


Figure 1: Simply connected region with a cut

to the potential problem, for regions made simply connected, is guaranteed if the intensity of this circulation is specified. To ensure the uniqueness of the solution, it is necessary to know the circulation and consider the nature of the physical phenomenon under study. Considering points 1 and 2, boundary conditions must be applied due to the discontinuity of the potential on the boundary:

- The normal derivative of the potential in the wake must not only be constant but also zero.
- The potential jump in the wake remains constant.
- The pressure must be equal across the cut, as per the Kutta condition $P_1 = P_2$.

3.4 Bernoulli Equation

The velocity is determined without requiring dynamic considerations; it simply needs to be kinematically compatible and respect the boundary conditions. The pressure is derived from the momentum equation, taking into account that the body force is conservative and can be expressed using a scalar function E , $\vec{F} = -\nabla E$. The Euler equation for incompressible and irrotational flow, with a conservative body force becomes:

$$\nabla\left(\frac{p + E}{\rho} + \frac{|\vec{u}|^2}{2}\right) = 0 \quad (12)$$

The terms in the brackets should be constant to satisfy the equations, and the equation often referred to as the Bernoulli equation is:

$$\left(\frac{p + E}{\rho} + \frac{|\vec{u}|^2}{2}\right) = C \quad (13)$$

From the momentum conservation equation, the integrated form of Bernoulli's equation, allows the derivation of pressure given the knowledge of velocity, completing the solution. Time does not explicitly appear in the Laplace equation due to its nature, which assumes an infinite propagation velocity of disturbances, causing the flow field to adapt instantaneously to changes in boundary conditions. However, it's important to note that time does appear in the expression for pressure and in the velocity field.

At this point, it's important to remember, as mentioned, that the Laplace equation is linear. This implies that the boundary problem can be separated into a value problem, for the undisturbed onset flow ϕ_{onset} and for the perturbed flow ϕ . Then, these two values can be summed. The potential flow for the onset flow can now be expressed as:

$$\Phi_{onset} = \vec{U} \cdot \vec{x} = U_{0,x}x + U_{0,y}y + U_{0,z}z \quad (14)$$

If the disturbance velocity of the body is small compared to the undisturbed flow, the equation can be linearised (Breslin and Andersen, 1994) [21]:

$$p_\infty - p = \rho U_0 u_x \quad (15)$$

Where u_x represents the axial component of disturbance velocity. Rewriting the equation in terms of pressure coefficient ΔC_p , it is formulated as follows :

$$\Delta C_p = \frac{p - p_\infty}{\frac{1}{2}\rho U_0^2} \approx 2 \frac{u_x}{U_0} \quad (16)$$

3.5 Lifting surface

The importance of lifting surfaces in fluid mechanics, particularly in supporting aircraft, hydrofoil boats, and various control surfaces such as rudders and yacht sails, cannot be overstated. These surfaces are engineered to maneuver through the surrounding fluid at a slight angle of attack, thereby generating hydrodynamic lift forces. The aspect ratio, which measures the extent to which flow is influenced, by the three-dimensional nature of the surface, plays a crucial role. A high aspect ratio suggests flow that is largely independent of the transverse coordinate, while a lower aspect ratio indicates significant three-dimensional flow effects.

In the subsequent analysis, the scenario of a propeller operating under two-dimensional flow conditions is examined, where the boundary conditions imposed on the contour are applied. Two primary types of boundary conditions are addressed: a kinematic condition concerning the fluid velocity at the boundary and a dynamic condition related to the forces acting on the boundary. For a material boundary separating a fluid from another medium, the tangential velocity at the surface must remain continuous. Specifically, if the solid surface is stationary, the tangential velocity must be zero. In the case of an impermeable solid, it is assumed that there is no separation or interpenetration; thus, the normal velocities of the fluid and the boundary coincide. This is known as the kinematic condition or non-slip condition:

$$\nabla\Phi \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \quad (17)$$

Expanding upon the potential definition:

$$\frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial n} = -U_0 \cdot \vec{n} = 0 \quad (18)$$

where:

- \vec{n} is the unit normal vector of the surface with direction from the surface into the fluid,
- U_0 is the velocity for the undisturbed onset flow.

The Kutta condition ensures that the velocity at the trailing edge remains finite, thereby mathematically enforcing the assumption of smooth tangential flow:

$$\nabla\Phi < \infty \text{ at trailing edge} \quad (19)$$

The influence of the body diminishes as the distance from it increases, therefore the perturbation potential decreases from a finite value to zero at infinity:

$$\nabla\Phi \rightarrow 0 \text{ at infinity} \quad (20)$$

In the general scenario, the perturbation potential, adheres to boundary conditions suitable for slender bodies with small angles of attack. Airfoils exemplify such slender profiles where separation effects remain negligible, allowing us to employ thin wing theory.

3.6 Linearised Thin Wing Theory

The thin wing theory, originally formulated for flow around two-dimensional wing sections, assumes a purely two-dimensional flow in this context, confined to the x-z plane as depicted in Figure 2, as the name implies, the theory is specifically tailored for slender profiles, with the additional condition that the angle of attack remains small. An illustrative profile is presented in the Figure 3:

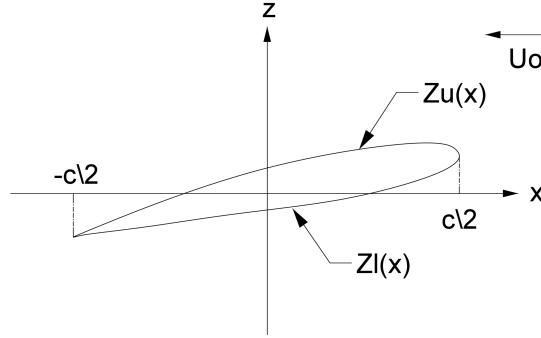


Figure 2: Notation for two-dimensional section

where $z_u(x)$ delineates the upper side of the profile, $z_l(x)$ denotes the lower side, and c represents the chord length. For the thin wing assumption to hold, both $z_u(x)$ and $z_l(x)$ should be significantly smaller than the chord length. Additionally, the slope of the profile, represented by $z'_u(x)$ and $z'_l(x)$, should be considerably less than one. If these conditions are fulfilled, the velocity boundary condition specified in Equation (18) can be linearised (Newman, 1978 [13]), thus simplifying the analysis:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} &= -U z'_u(x) \text{ on } z = 0_+, & -\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} &= -U z'_l(x) \text{ on } z = 0_-, & -\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

The singularities describing the foil in the linearised theory are located on the x-axis between $-\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2}$. The question arises as to which singularities should be used to describe the profile. This can be determined by dividing the disturbance potential into even and odd components (Newman, 1978 [13]):

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x, z) &= \phi_e(x, z) + \phi_o(x, z) \\ \phi_e(x, z) &= \phi_e(x, -z) = \frac{1}{2}[\phi(x, z) + \phi(x, -z)] \\ \phi_o(x, z) &= -\phi_o(x, -z) = \frac{1}{2}[\phi(x, z) - \phi(x, -z)] \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

The boundary condition at $z = 0_{\mp}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \phi_e}{\partial z} &= \mp \frac{1}{2} U(z'_u(x) - z'_l(x)) \quad \text{on } z = 0_{\pm}, \\ \frac{\partial \phi_o}{\partial z} &= -\frac{1}{2} U(z'_u(x) + z'_l(x)) \quad \text{on } z = 0_{\pm}, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

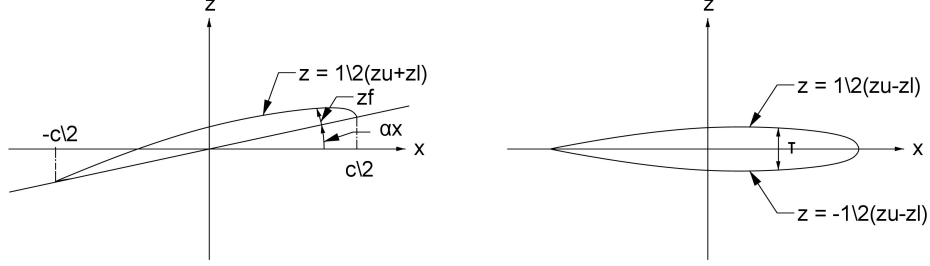


Figure 3: Left: Camber line with angle of attack α . Right: Symmetric section with thickness τ

The operator $\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$ is odd, implying that $\frac{\partial \phi_e}{\partial z}$ is odd and $\frac{\partial \phi_o}{\partial z}$ is even, with respect to z . These even and odd potentials correspond to two distinct physical scenarios. The the odd potential as the potential of an asymmetric flow, passing an arc with zero thickness defined by the curve $z = \frac{1}{2}U(z_u(x) + z_l(x))$, or the mean-camber line. Conversely, even potential as the potential for a symmetrical profile, having thickness $\tau = (z_u(x) - z_l(x))$, at zero angle of attack. Both scenarios are depicted in Figure 3.

By decomposing the original problem into two parts, one representing thickness effects and the other representing camber and angle of attack effects, Each aspect can be addressed separately. Since the pressure distribution is symmetric in the thickness problem, there is no lift force or moment involved. Therefore, thickness does not directly influence lift and moment, but only affects practical considerations when modifications of the pressure distribution, influence separation or cavitation.

The boundary condition for the even potential, as described in Equation (23), reveals an asymmetric vertical velocity along the projection of the profile on the x -axis. This asymmetric velocity arises from a distribution of sources along the projection, as discussed in works such as Breslin and Andersen (1994 [21]). Conversely, the boundary condition for the odd potential, as stated in Equation (23), necessitates a symmetric vertical velocity along the projection. Such symmetry in velocity is achieved through a distribution of vortices, which are crucial for lift generation, as also outlined in Breslin and Andersen (1994 [21]).

This explanation serves as a valuable reference, illustrating how a thin and horizontal profile can be represented by a distribution of sources and vortices, along its projection on the x -axis. As previously mentioned, the thickness is disregarded, and the foil is substituted with a distribution of circulation.

3.7 Circulation

Let's center our analysis on the flow over the mean-camber line and the resultant lift force and moment. The vertical position of the mean-camber line can be conveniently defined as: $z = \frac{1}{2}(z_u(x) + z_l(x)) = \alpha x + z_f(x)$. This establishes the corresponding boundary condition on the cut as :

$$\frac{\partial \phi_o}{\partial z} = -U z'(x) = -U(\alpha x + z'_f(x)) \quad (24)$$

The boundary condition can be divided into two contributions: one from the angle of attack α and another from the camber line, represented by z_f . It's necessary to know the distribution along the chord. The distribution of circulation related to the angle of attack corresponds to a distribution for a flat plate:

$$\gamma_{FP}(x) = 2U_0\alpha \sqrt{\frac{\frac{c}{2} + x}{\frac{c}{2} - x}} \quad \text{for} \quad -\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2} \quad (25)$$

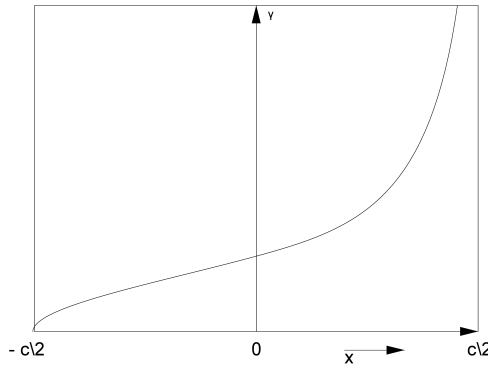


Figure 4: Vortex Distribution for flat plate

From the Equation (25), it's possible to note that the value of circulation is highly intense near the leading edge. As depicted in the Figure 4, the solution is not accurate at this point, but it is accurate for the rest of the profile. Therefore, it is usable.

Regarding the circulation distribution related to the camber line, it is determined by utilizing the linearized Bernoulli equation and a pressure distribution. The tangential velocity $u_x(x, z)$ on both sides of a planar distribution of circulation along the x-axis is given by (Breslin and Andersen [21]):

$$u_x(x, 0_{\pm}) = \mp \frac{2}{\gamma(x)} \quad \text{for} \quad -\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2} \quad (26)$$

Inserting this in Equation (16) one has:

$$\gamma(x) = \frac{1}{2U_0} \Delta C_p(x) \quad (27)$$

The circulation is known when $\Delta C_p(x)$ is defined. For this purpose, the NACA series is utilized: the specific pressure distribution should be suitable regarding separation and cavitation. The factor 'a' denotes the fraction of the chord, measured from the leading edge, over which the pressure remains constant. Towards the trailing edge, the pressure linearly decreases to zero, creating what is often termed a rooftop pressure distribution.

The circulation distribution for these mean lines is:

$$\gamma_{RT}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{(c/2+x)U_0}{c(1-a^2)}C_{L,i} & \text{per } -\frac{c}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2}(1-2a) \\ \frac{U_0}{1+a}C_{L,i} & \text{per } \frac{c}{2}(1-2a) \leq x \leq \frac{c}{2} \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

$C_{L,i}$ is the ideal lift coefficient. By combining the distributions of Equation (25) and Equation (28), the chordwise circulation distribution becomes known, for a profile characterized by an arbitrary rooftop pressure distribution and an arbitrary angle of attack, provided that the limits of the linear theory are respected. Having clarified the linearized thin-wing theory in two dimensions, it can be extended to the three-dimensional theory.

The three-dimensional flow varies also along spanwise direction, affecting circulation which depends on both chordwise and spanwise coordinates, with chordwise variations described by two-dimensional equations. Extending the linearized thin-wing theory to three dimensions is achievable, provided that the two-dimensional assumptions remain valid along the chord.

In steady two-dimensional flow, irrotationality is reached with an infinite vortex downstream of the propeller, compensating for propeller's chordwise circulation. For three-dimensional flow, this requirement is met by closed vortices with constant circulation. Therefore, in steady flow, when a body exhibits a circulation variation along its span, a vortex sheet forms behind it, merging the initially shed vortices with those created at the trailing edge. The circulation of this vortex sheet is given by $\frac{d\Gamma(y)}{dy}$, where $\Gamma(y)$ represents the total chordwise circulation at the spanwise coordinate y . As the vortex sheet is devoid of forces, it must move with the fluid, as per Helmholtz's theorem (a vortex line cannot start or end abruptly in a fluid).

Based on this theory, lifting surfaces such as propellers are modeled with vortex distributions on their surfaces and a wake vortex sheet. Despite the constraints, potential flow theory has been widely used and has proven reliable over time.

3.8 Distribution of Vortex

The method applied in this work divides the blade surface into a number of elements to describe the surface. The calculation is made using vortex segments distributed along the blade to represent its shape.

These vortex segments, form a gridwork that discretely represents the circulation distribution across the blade, by constructing blocks of constant strength vortices.

The wake of the propeller is modeled with a sheet of trailing vortices convected downstream with the mean flow.

Similar to the lifting line model, attention must be paid to how the trailing wake is modeled.

In determining the value of circulation, consideration must be given to the physical nature of the phenomena: the flow has to leave the trailing edge smoothly, satisfying Kutta's conditions:

- The vortex line cannot start or end abruptly,
- The vortex have to vanish into the flow,
- The velocity at trailing edge is finite.

$$\Gamma_{(T.E.)} = 0 \quad (29)$$

The circulation at the trailing edge must be zero, meaning that the pressure must be zero on the trailing edge. In practice, this condition is satisfied when the local streamline and the wake are parallel, which means the strength of the wake is equal to the strength of the panel at the trailing edge. Therefore, the vortex elements cannot end up on the wing but must vanish into the flow, ensuring that no force acts on them.

To satisfy the solution, Helmholtz's theorems are required:

$$\vec{Q} \times \vec{\Gamma}_{wake} = 0 \quad (30)$$

- \vec{Q} is the local flow
- $\vec{\Gamma}_{wake}$ is the circulation of the horseshoe vortex

At any point of the wake, the free vortex must be parallel to the local flow, and to satisfy this condition:

- Each vortex has constant intensity,
- Each vortex can exist only as a closed (ring) line (infinite).

4 Optimisation Procedure

4.1 Introduction

The principle of lifting surfaces is applied to the design of modern propellers to achieve better lift-to-drag ratios. The objective of the optimization procedure is to determine the optimal radial distribution of circulation on the propeller, aiming to maximize efficiency, through the solution of a variational problem. By using this distribution of circulation, the corresponding pitch distribution is found. In other words, the goal is to design the propeller configuration that minimizes the power required to produce the desired thrust, thereby improving overall efficiency.

This methodology was initially developed by Prandtl and Betz in 1927 [1] for a single propeller operating in open water conditions, employing linear theory and a lifting line model with integral formulation. Betz identified the optimal circulation distribution, where the ratio between the pitch angle of the onset flow, and the pitch angle for the total inflow, remained constant.

Lerbs (1952) [2] further advanced the method by introducing a radially varying onset flow. In Lerbs' formulation, an induction factor was incorporated to calculate induced velocity from the trailing vortices, assumed with a helical shape. The shed vortices were aligned with the total flow at the lifting line, coinciding with the criteria established by Betz in the case of open water propellers.

Kerwin et al. (1986) [11], introduced a approach, that discretized the continuous distribution of circulation, allowing for the direct solution of the variational problem. Subsequently, Coney (1992 [12]) developed a vortex-lattice lifting line method, discretizing the continuous distribution of vortices along the lifting line. These advancements showcased significant advantages of the discrete model: linearization is not necessary, and it has the capability to handle theoretically unlimited complex propeller geometries.

In the current optimization procedure, a lifting-surface model is utilized, enabling the integration of the entire blade's effects into the optimization process. Consequently, the optimum distribution of loading is determined, followed by the calculation of the optimum distribution of pitch. For simplicity, the hub is neglected in the optimization procedure.

4.2 Geometry

4.2.1 Propeller Geometry

A brief explanation of the propeller blade geometry is appropriate at this point: the propeller is described in a Cartesian coordinate system which rotates with the propeller. The origin of the coordinate system is at the center of the propeller hub. The x-axis is positive upstream, the y-axis is positive to the port side and the z-axis completes the right-hand coordinate system, see Figure (5).

Consider a propeller comprised of Z identical, symmetrically arranged blades attached to a hub rotating at a constant angular velocity ω about the x -axis. The blade is formed starting with a mid-chord line defined parametrically by the radial distribution of the skew of the mid-chord line of the propeller $\phi_m(s)$, positive in the opposite direction of ϕ and rake $x_m(s)$. By advancing

a distance $\pm\frac{1}{2}t$ along a helix of pitch angle $\beta(s)$, one obtains the blade's leading and trailing edges. The reference surface of propeller blade is described in function of arc length parameter along midchord line s , and dimensionless chordwise parameter t , while $c(s)$ is the chord length.

For the cylindrical coordinate system the radius r is positive away from the origin and the angle ϕ is measured from the z -axis and is positive in the same direction as ω . The x -coordinate for the cylindrical coordinate system is the same as for the Cartesian system. The cylindrical system is also shown in Figure (5).

For the blade surface the description in the Cartesian coordinate system:

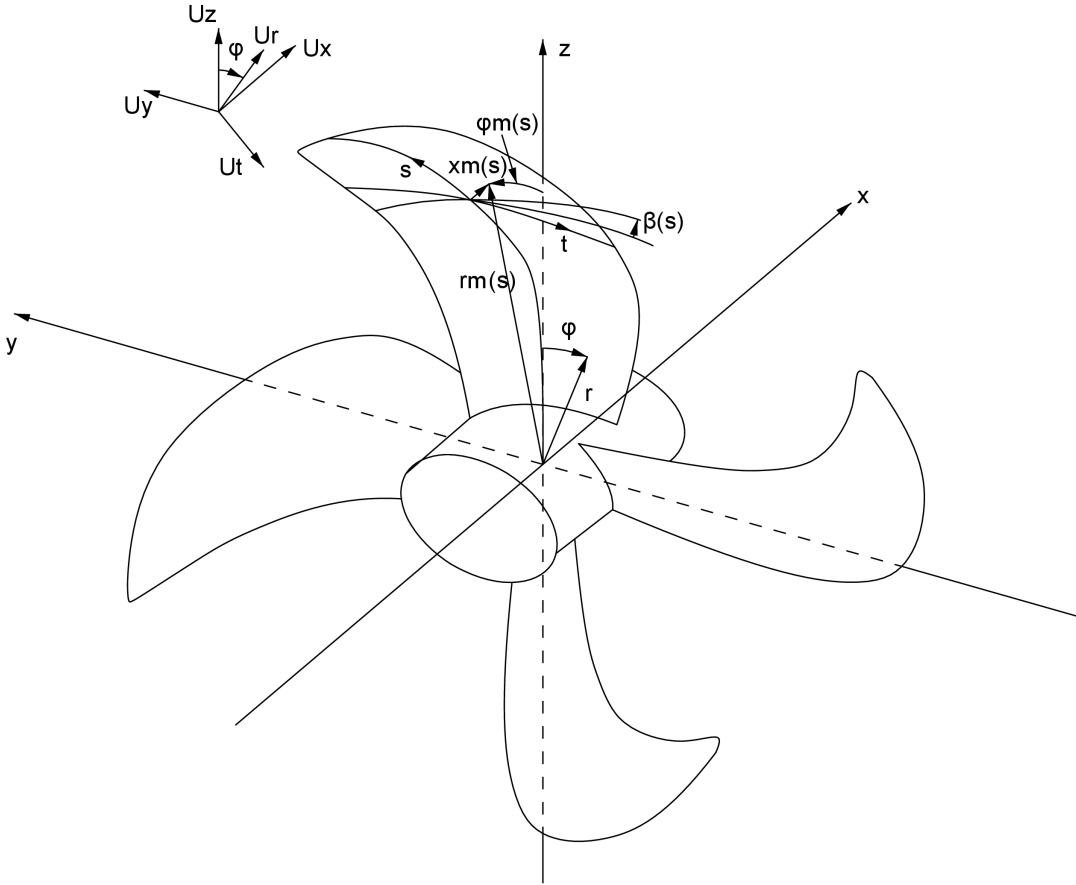


Figure 5: Coordinate system for the propeller

$$\phi(s, t) = -\phi_m(s) + \frac{c(s)}{r_m(s)} \cos(\beta(s))t$$

$$x(s, t) = x_m + c(s) \sin(\beta(s))t$$

$$y(s, t) = -r_m(s) \sin(\phi(s, t))$$

$$z(s, t) = r_m(s) \cos(\phi(s, t))$$

for $s_{hub} < s < s_{tip}$ and $-\frac{1}{2} = t_{(TrailingEdge)} < t < t_{(LeadingEdge)} = \frac{1}{2}$

β is the fluid pitch angle, of the propeller:

$$\beta(s) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{U_{0,x}(s) - u_x(s)}{\omega r_m(s) - u_t(s) - U_{0,t}(s)} \right) \quad (31)$$

where:

- $U_{0,x}(s)$ is the x component of the onset flow,
- $u_x(s)$ is the total axial induced velocity,
- $r_m(s)$ is the radius for the propeller,
- $u_t(s)$ is the total tangential induced velocity,
- $U_{0,t}(s)$ is the tangential component of the onset flow.

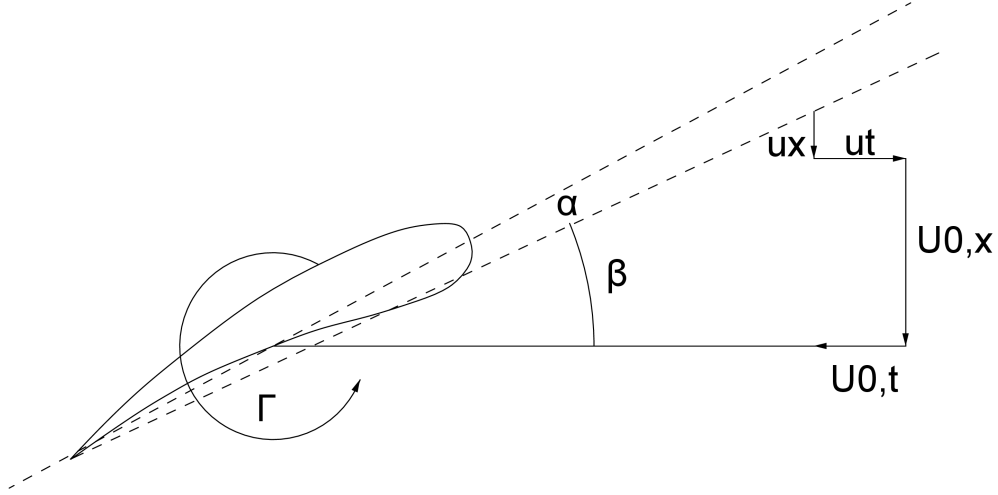


Figure 6: Velocity triangle for the propeller

4.2.2 Grid Generation

As the continuous distribution of circulation is replaced with a discrete distribution, the blade surface, is divided into a number of quadrilateral panels and the trailing vortex sheet is therefore, reduced to a number of trailing horseshoe vortices.

The circulation is positive counterclockwise along the sides of each panel. To satisfy Kelvin's circulation theorem, the circulation along these sides remains constant. The corners of the panels, or grid points, are labeled from $P1$ to $P4$ in the direction of circulation. The vectors along the sides are denoted as \vec{l}_1 to \vec{l}_4 , so the \vec{l}_2 representing the vector from $P2$ to $P3$.

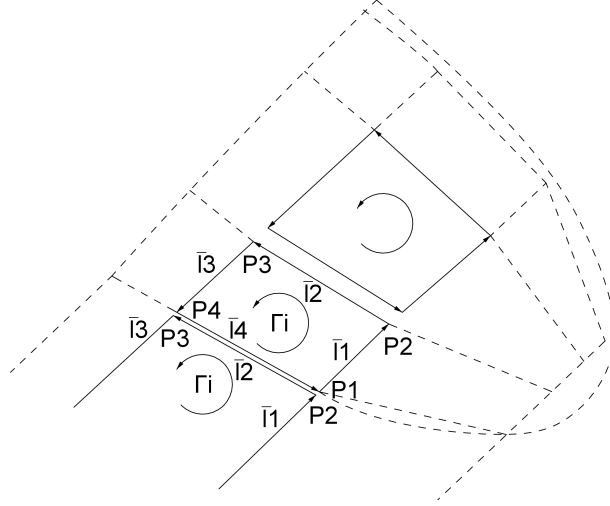


Figure 7: Description of a panel and a trailer

The radial discretization of the propeller follows James (1972) [17]. It's worth noting that the outermost grid points at the tips are shifted inward by one-quarter interval:

$$s_{gp,i} = \frac{4i - 3}{4M_{sp} + 2}(s_{tip} - s_{hub}) + s_{hub} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, M_{sp} + 1 \quad (32)$$

$$s_{cp,i} = \frac{1}{2}(s_{gp,i} + s_{gp,i+1}) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, M_{sp} \quad (33)$$

The cosine discretization in the chord-wise direction, following Lan's method [18], is as follows:

$$t_{gp,1} = -\frac{1}{2} \quad \text{located at T.E.} \quad (34)$$

$$t_{gp,i} = -\frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\frac{(i - \frac{3}{2})\pi}{N_{ch}}\right) \quad \text{for } i = 2, 3, \dots, N_{ch} + 1 \quad (35)$$

$$t_{cp,i} = \frac{1}{2}(t_{gp,i} + t_{gp,i+1}) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N_{ch} \quad (36)$$

where N_{ch} is the number of chord-wise panels, M_{sp} is the number of span-wise panels, gp refers to grid points, cp refers to control points.

4.2.3 Horseshoe Vortex

As previously mentioned, the discretization process reduces the trailing vortex sheet to a finite number of horseshoe vortices, providing a simplified representation of the wing's vortex system. Each horseshoe vortex comprises two trailing wing-tip vortices, which extend infinitely downstream with the fluid flow, and a bound vortex, represented as a straight line positioned at the trailing edge. The wing-tip vortices contribute to the downwash component responsible for induced drag.

To satisfy the Kutta condition, the circulation of the horseshoe vortex equals the circulation of the adjacent trailing edge panel. For the propeller, it's assumed that the sides of the horseshoe, follow regular helices with constant pitch and radius.

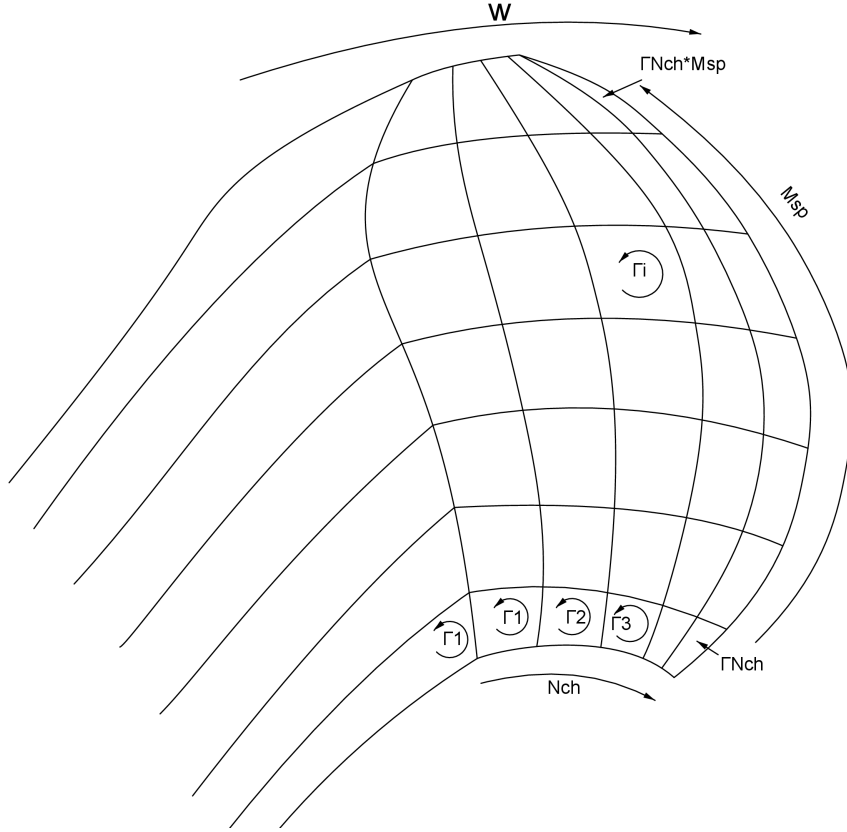


Figure 8: Example of grid, trailers and direction of the circulation for the propeller

Consequently, the horseshoe vortex can be described by:

$$\vec{x} = \begin{cases} x & -\infty < x < x_{(T.E.)} \\ -r \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{P}(x - x_{(T.E.)}) + \phi_{(T.E.)}\right) & y_{(T.E.(Hub))} < y < y_{(T.E.(Tip))} \\ r \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{P}(x - x_{(T.E.)}) + \phi_{(T.E.)}\right) & r_{(T.E.(Hub))} < r < r_{(T.E.(Tip))} \end{cases} \quad (37)$$

where:

- r is the radius of the grid points at the trailing edge,
- P is the pitch of the helix, which is equal to the pitch of the reference flow (see section 4.5): $P = 2\pi r \tan(\beta)$
- $\phi_{(T.E.)}$ is the phase angle of the helix,
- $x_{(T.E.)}$ is the x at the trailing edge.

4.3 Forces and Velocities Calculations

4.3.1 Force on the panel sides

The force on the panel sides is found by using the Kutta–Joukowski theorem:

$$\vec{F}_{Side} = \rho \vec{U}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{\Gamma}_{Side} \quad (38)$$

where:

- $\vec{\Gamma}_{Side}$ is the total circulation of the panel side, which is the difference in circulation for the two adjacent panels (for the leading edge panel is equal to $\vec{\Gamma}_{Panel}$),
- $\vec{U}(\vec{x})$ is the total velocity at the midpoint of the panel side. $\vec{U}(\vec{x}) = \vec{U}_0(\vec{x}) + \vec{u}(\vec{x})$

where:

- $\vec{U}_0(\vec{x})$ is the onset flow at the midpoint of the side,
- $\vec{u}(\vec{x})$ is the total induced velocity at the midpoint of the side.

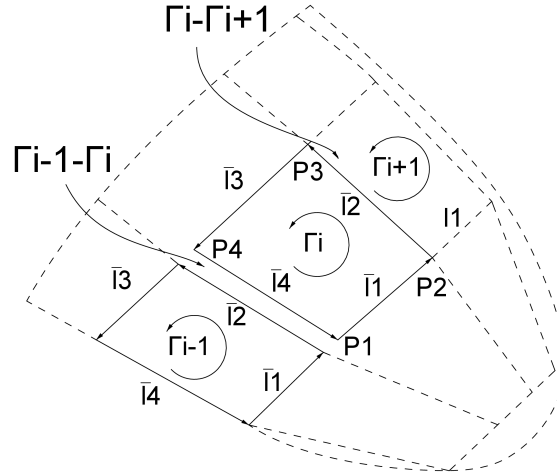


Figure 9: Description of the total circulation at the panel side

4.3.2 Onset Flow

The undisturbed flow is given in cylindrical coordinates, allowing for its rearrangement into Cartesian coordinates. It is assumed that the undisturbed flow depends solely on radial variation and is independent of longitudinal position; furthermore, it is assumed to be axi-symmetric. Therefore, the three Cartesian components can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{U}_0(\vec{x}) = & (-U_{0,x}(s), -U_{0,r}(s) \sin \phi - (U_{0,t}(s) - \omega r(s)) \cos \phi, \\ & U_{0,r}(s) \cos \phi - (U_{0,t}(s) - \omega r(s)) \sin \phi) \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

where:

- $U_{0,x}(s), U_{0,z}(s), U_{0,y}(s)$ are the wake velocities given in Cartesian coordinates,
- $U_{0,r}(s), U_{0,t}(s)$ are the wake velocities given in cylindrical coordinates,
- $\omega r(s)$ is the tangential velocity caused by the rotation of the propeller (included because the coordinate system is fixed to the blade).

4.3.3 Induced velocities from the panels

The induced velocity from the panels is determined by applying the Biot-Savart law. This law is a general result of potential theory and describes both electromagnetic fields and inviscid, incompressible flows. In general terms the law can be stated (see Figure 10) as the velocity $d\vec{u}$ induced at a point \vec{x} of radius R from a segment $d\vec{\varepsilon}$ of a vortex filament of strength Γ given by:

$$d\vec{u} = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \frac{d\vec{\varepsilon} \times \vec{R}}{|\vec{R}|^3} \quad (40)$$

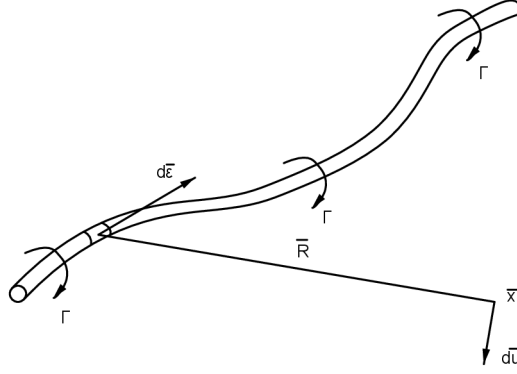


Figure 10: Application of the Biot–Savart law to a general vortex filament

To rearrange the expression for calculating the velocity induced by a single panel at the point \vec{x} , it can be expressed as follows:

$$\vec{u}_i(\vec{x}) = \frac{\Gamma_i}{4\pi} \sum_{k=1}^4 \int_0^{s_k} \frac{d\vec{\varepsilon} \times \vec{R}}{|\vec{R}|^3} = \Gamma_i q_i(\vec{x}) \quad (41)$$

where Γ_i is the circulation of the panel, $d\vec{\varepsilon}$ is the length element along the panel side with the length s_k . \vec{R} is the vector from the vortex element, q_i is defined as the velocity induced by the entire panel with a unit circulation. The numerical evaluation of the induced velocity involves the determination of the velocity induced by a unit circulation since at first the circulation is an unknown.

Considering that the panel sides are linear segments, the computational assessment of the induced velocity resulting from a panel side adheres to the methodology outlined by Olsen (2001) [4]:

$$\vec{u}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{c}}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{c}|} \frac{1}{d} [\cos \alpha + \cos \beta] = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \frac{\vec{a} \times \vec{c}}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{c}|} \frac{1}{d} \left[\frac{a-e}{b} + \frac{e}{c} \right]$$

The vector $\frac{(\vec{a} \times \vec{c})}{|\vec{a} \times \vec{c}|}$ corresponds to a unit vector giving the direction of the induced velocity.

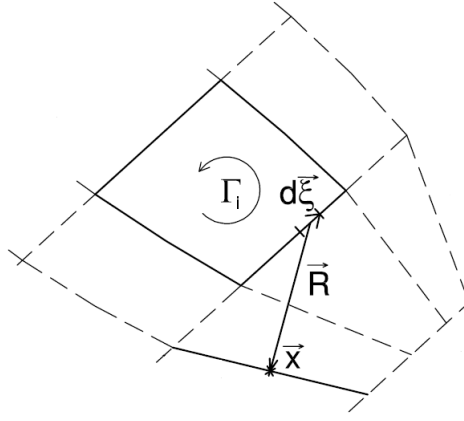


Figure 11: Description of the parameters used in the application of Biot-Savart law

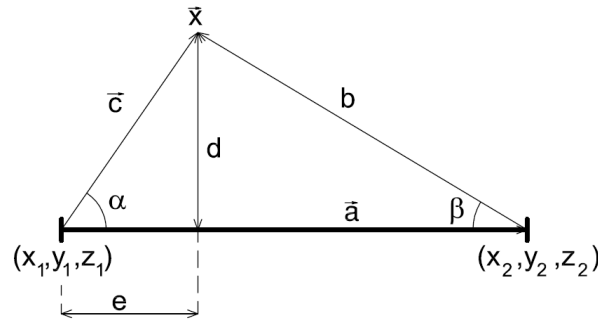


Figure 12: Parameters used to evaluate the induced velocity from a straight vortex

where:

- $a = |\vec{a}| = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - z_1)^2}$,
- $b = \sqrt{(x_2 - x)^2 + (y_2 - y)^2 + (z_2 - z)^2}$,
- $c = \sqrt{(x_1 - x)^2 + (y_1 - y)^2 + (z_1 - z)^2}$,
- $d = \sqrt{c^2 - e^2}$,
- $e = |\vec{e}| = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2a}$

4.3.4 Induced velocities from the horseshoe vortices

The induced velocity from the horseshoe vortices is divided into two parts:

- Transition wake:
 - Extends from the trailing edge of the propeller to four radii downstream.
 - The regular helix is approximated by a series of straight line vortices.
 - The induced velocity can be determined using the same method as for the panel sides.
- Ultimate wake:

- Includes the region from the end of the transition wake to infinitely downstream.
- The induced velocity in this region is calculated using the method developed by de Jong (1991) [20].

4.3.5 Total velocity

The total velocity at point \vec{x} is the sum of the onset flow and the induced velocity from the propeller itself:

$$\vec{U}(\vec{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(j-1)N_{ch}} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{ch}} k_i \vec{q}_{i+(j-1)N_{ch}}(\vec{x}) + \vec{U}_0 \quad (42)$$

where:

- j is the counter for the span-wise panels,
- i is the counter for the chord-wise panels,
- $\Gamma_{1+(j-1)N_{ch}}$ is the circulation for the panel at the trailing edge,
- k_i is the weight function,
- $\vec{q}_{i+(j-1)N_{ch}}$ is the induced velocity from the panel $i + (j - 1)N_{ch}$ with a unit circulation. The induced velocities from the trailing vortices are included in $\vec{q}_{i+(j-1)N_{ch}}$
- \vec{U}_0 is the onset flow.

4.4 Weight Function

Munk's displacement theorem states that the induced drag for a lifting surface depends solely on the total chord-wise circulation and not on the chord-wise distribution of the circulation. Hence, to specify the chord-wise distribution of circulation for the propeller, it becomes necessary to introduce the weight function. Essentially, the weight function establishes a relationship between the chord-wise panels to determine the chord-wise distribution of circulation for the propeller. For the propeller, the optimization problem is therefore simplified to finding the optimal distribution of total circulation for each chord-wise strip, which corresponds to the circulation of the horseshoe vortex.

In a discrete distribution of vortices, as depicted in Figure 13, the weight function is defined as follows:

$$\kappa_n = \frac{\Gamma_n}{\Gamma_{tot}} \quad (43)$$

The total circulation at grid point n , Γ_n , as shown in Figure 13, is the difference between the circulation of two adjacent panels. Meanwhile, the total circulation for the chordwise direction is given by: $\Gamma_{tot} = \int_{-c/2}^{c/2} \gamma(x) dx$, where γ represents the continuous distribution of circulation calculated earlier in Section 3.7, as a combination of the flat plate and rooftop distributions.

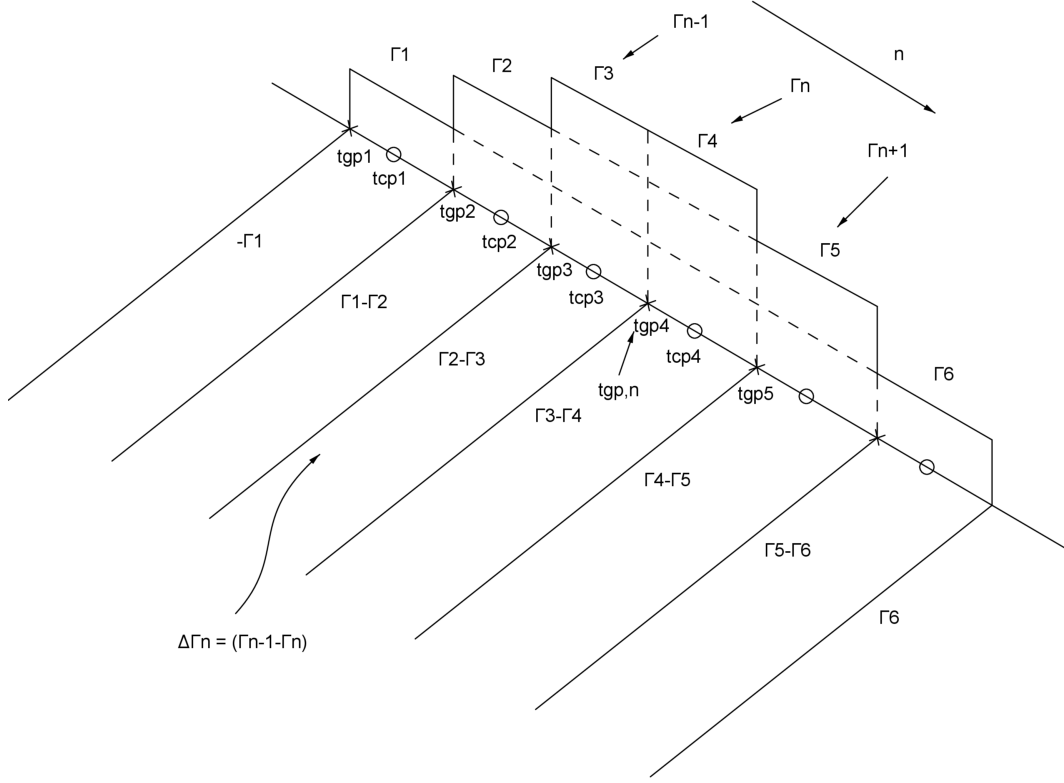


Figure 13: Description of total circulation at a panel side

For the discrete vortex, the circulation can be approximated by:

$$\Gamma_n = c \int_{t_{cp,n-1}}^{t_{cp,n}} \gamma(t'), t' \approx \gamma(t_{gp,n})(t_{cp,n} - t_{cp,n-1}) \quad (44)$$

where $t_{cp,n}$ follows Lan (1974) [18], and represents the location of the control point, while $t_{gp,n}$ is described in Section 4.2.2.

The discrete circulation becomes:

$$\Gamma_n \approx \gamma(t_{gp,n})C \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2} - t_{gp,n}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2} + t_{gp,n}\right)} \quad (45)$$

where C is a constant. Then, it's possible to write the relationship between the weight function κ and the circulation on the chord-wise panels as follows:

$$\begin{cases} \kappa_1 = 0 \\ \kappa_n = \frac{\Gamma_{n-1} - \Gamma_n}{\Gamma_{tot}} & \text{for } i = 2, 3, \dots, N_{ch} \\ \kappa_{N_{Ch}+1} = \frac{\Gamma_{N_{Ch}+1}}{\Gamma_{tot}} \end{cases} \quad (46)$$

This results in the weight function for the circulation of the panels:

$$\kappa_n = \sum_{i=n+1}^{N_{Ch+1}} ((1 - \nu)\kappa_i^{RT} + \nu\kappa_i^{FT}) \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N_{ch} \quad (47)$$

where:

- Γ_{tot} is the total circulation for the chord-wise distribution,
- κ_i^{RT} is the weight function for the flat plate pressure distribution ,
- κ_i^{FT} , is the weight function for the rooftop plate pressure distribution,
- ν is the ratio of the pressure distribution. In our case $\nu = 0.5$.

4.5 Wake Alignment

The applied grid and wake alignment procedure assumes a constant pitch for the horseshoe vortices and disregards slipstream contraction. It also assumes that the blade and horseshoe vortices share the same pitch, determined by the total velocity at the midchord line of the blade. The pitch of the helix is based on the total velocity at the mid-chord line of the blade, which is located at $t = 0$. Consequently, the pitch angle of both the grid and horseshoe vortices is:

$$\beta_i(s) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{U_{0,x}(s) - u_x(s)}{\omega r_m - u_t(s) - U_{0,t}(s)} \right) \quad (48)$$

where:

- $U_{0,x}(s)$ is the x component of the onset flow,
- $u_x(s)$ is the total axial induced velocity,
- ω is the angular velocity,
- r_m is the radius for the propeller,
- $u_t(s)$ is the total tangential induced velocity,
- $U_{0,t}(s)$ is the tangential component of the onset flow.

The applied alignment procedure corresponds to the wake alignment used in the moderately loaded lifting-line theory. However, unlike the lifting-line theory, the induced velocity from the bound vortices is included in the total induced velocity for the lifting-surface optimization. While it's assumed that the effects of these vortices are small, which holds true for a propeller without skew and rake, for a skewed propeller, this assumption becomes more questionable.

4.6 Thrust and Torque Calculation

As previously discussed, the forces on the propeller blades are found by the Kutta–Joukowski theorem. Therefore, the force on one side of the panel is calculated using the following expression:

$$\vec{F}_{Side} = \rho \vec{U}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{\Gamma}_{Side} = \rho \Gamma_{Side} \left(\vec{U}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{l}_{Side} \right) \quad (49)$$

where:

- $\vec{U}(\vec{x})$ is the total velocity calculated at the midpoint of the panel side,
- \vec{l}_{Side} is the vector for the side,
- $\vec{\Gamma}_{Side}$ is the total circulation on the side.

The moment generated by one side of the panel can be expressed as:

$$\vec{M}_{Side} = \vec{r}(\vec{x}) \times \vec{F}_{Side} \quad (50)$$

where:

- $\vec{r}(\vec{x})$ is the vector from the origin of the coordinate system to the midpoint of the side.

The total thrust, T , and torque Q , generated by the propeller are determined by summing the contributions from all the panel sides of all the blades. It's important to note that, due to the symmetric nature of the propeller and its operation under steady conditions, the forces generated by all the blades are identical. Therefore, the forces generated by the entire propeller can be calculated by multiplying the forces on one blade (the reference blade) by the number of blades Z .

Therefore, the thrust (x-component of the total force) is:

$$\begin{aligned} T = F_x = \rho Z \sum_{m=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ch}} \kappa_n \sum_{k=1}^4 [l_{z,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_y(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}) \right. \\ \left. - l_{y,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_z(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}})] - l_{z,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_y(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) \right. \\ \left. + l_{y,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_z(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

where:

- l_x is the x-component of \vec{l} ,
- l_y is the y-component of \vec{l} ,
- l_z is the z-component of \vec{l} ,
- U_x is the x-component of the total velocity,
- U_y is the y-component of the total velocity,
- U_z is the z-component of the total velocity,

- m is the span-wise index,
- n is the chord-wise index,
- k is the side index.

For example, $\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}$ is the coordinate for the midpoint of side k of the panel number $n + (m - 1)N_{ch,k}$.

The torque Q is the negative x-component of the total moment:

$$Q = -M_x = - \sum_{i=1}^{sides} (yF_z - zF_y) = Q_2 - Q_1 \quad (52)$$

where:

$$F_y = \rho Z \sum_{m=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ch}} \kappa_n \sum_{k=1}^4 [l_{x,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_z(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}) - l_{z,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_x(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}})] - l_{x,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_z(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) + l_{z,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_x(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) \right\} \quad (53)$$

$$F_z = \rho Z \sum_{m=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ch}} \kappa_n \sum_{k=1}^4 [l_{y,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_x(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}) - l_{x,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_y(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}})] - l_{y,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_x(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) + l_{x,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_y(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) \right\} \quad (54)$$

$$Q_1 = yF_z = \rho Z P \sum_{m=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ch}} \kappa_n \sum_{k=1}^4 y_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} [l_{y,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_x(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}) - l_{x,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_y(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}})] + y_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} [-l_{y,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_x(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) + l_{x,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_y(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}})] \right\} \quad (55)$$

$$Q_2 = zF_y = \rho Z P \sum_{m=1}^{M_{sp}} \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{N_{ch}} \kappa_n \sum_{k=1}^4 z_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} [l_{x,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_z(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}}) - l_{z,n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}} U_x(\vec{x}_{n+(m-1)N_{ch,k}})] + z_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} [-l_{x,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_z(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) + l_{z,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_x(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}})] \right\} \quad (56)$$

- F_y is the y-component of the force on side i ,

- F_z is the z-component of the force on side i ,
- Q_1 and Q_2 are introduced in order to make the expression above more readable.

The equations above satisfy the Kutta condition ($\Gamma_{(T.E.)} = 0$). Let's consider, for example, Equation (47) and its last two components. This part of the equation is employed to eliminate the contribution of segments at the trailing edge to the thrust, which was previously calculated in the same equation:

$$l_{x,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_z(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) + l_{z,1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}} U_x(\vec{x}_{1+(m-1)N_{ch,4}}) \quad (57)$$

4.7 Optimum Circulation Distribution

As mentioned earlier, the objective of the optimization procedure is to determine the radial distribution of circulation on the propeller. This distribution allows the propeller to generate a specified thrust with minimal energy consumption. Consequently, minimizing the torque applied to the propeller becomes crucial. In essence, the objective is to achieve the highest efficiency for the propeller:

$$\eta = \frac{J K_T}{2\pi K_Q} \quad (58)$$

where:

K_T is the thrust coefficient:

$$K_T = \frac{T_r}{\rho n^2 D^4} \quad (59)$$

K_Q is the torque coefficient:

$$K_Q = \frac{Q_t}{\rho n^2 D^5} \quad (60)$$

J is the advance number:

$$J = \frac{U_a}{nD} \quad (61)$$

T_r is the required thrust of the propeller : $T_r = T_t - T_v$

- T_t is the total required thrust of the propeller
- T_v is the thrust owed to the skin friction drag of the propeller (negative).

U_a is the mean inflow to the propeller disc, ρ is the mass density of the water, n is the rate of revolution of the propeller, D is the propeller's diameter and Q_t is the total torque:

$$Q_t = (Q_2 - Q_1) + Q_v \quad (62)$$

where Q_v is the torque owed to the skin friction drag of the propeller (negative).

4.7.1 Skin Friction Drag

Skin friction drag is the portion of drag resulting from the friction between a fluid and the surface, of an object, moving through it. This drag arises within the boundary layer, due to the viscosity of the fluid. It is directly proportional to the surface area in contact with the fluid and increases with the square of the velocity. Additionally, it's important to note that form drag is disregarded in this context due to the vortex-lattice method's reliance on potential flow theory: The skin friction drag created by a panel of the propeller is:

$$dT_v = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_f A |V_T| V_T \quad (63)$$

$$dQ_v = \frac{1}{2} \rho C_f A |V_T| (y_P V_{T_z} - z_P V_{T_y}) \quad (64)$$

where:

- $C_f = 2 \cdot 0.004$ is the frictional drag coefficient for the two faces of the panel,
- A is the area of the panel,
- V_T is the total tangential velocity in the control point of the panel,
- y_P is the y-coordinate of the control point of the panel,
- z_P is the z-coordinate of the control point of the panel,
- V_{T_z} is the z-coordinate of the tangential velocity in the control point of the panel,
- V_{T_y} is the y-coordinate of the tangential velocity in the control point of the panel.

4.7.2 Variational Problem

The optimization procedure aims to determine the circulation distribution that enables the propeller to achieve a specified thrust while minimizing energy consumption. Therefore, the torque applied to the propeller should be minimized as well. This circulation distribution is obtained by solving a discrete variational problem, as outlined in Kerwin et al. (1986) [3].

The functional for this problem is given by:

$$H(\vec{\Gamma}, \lambda) = Q(\vec{\Gamma}) + \lambda(T(\vec{\Gamma}) - (T_r - T_v)) \quad (65)$$

where:

- $\vec{\Gamma}$ is the sought distribution of circulation,
- λ is the Lagrange multiplier,

Since the circulation on the blade is determined by the weight function and the circulation of the trailing vortices, the number of unknown circulations corresponds to the number of radial panels M_{sp} . The optimum distribution is that which minimises the functional H. Thus, the distribution can be found by setting the partial derivatives of $H(\vec{\Gamma}, \lambda)$ with respect to $\vec{\Gamma}$ and λ equal to zero.

This gives the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}}} = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}}} + \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)N_{ch}}} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial H}{\partial \lambda} = T - (T_r - T_v) = 0 \end{cases} \quad (66)$$

The provided equations demonstrate that the optimization procedure is nonlinear. This nonlinearity arises due to the presence of products involving λ and $\vec{\Gamma}$, as well as the dependency of induced velocities on circulation. Therefore, the non-linear problem is linearised, which results in the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial Q(\vec{\Gamma})}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}} + \lambda^{t-1} \frac{\partial T(\vec{\Gamma})}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}} + \lambda^t \frac{\partial T(U_0)}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}} = -\frac{\partial Q(U_0)}{\partial \Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}} \\ T(\vec{\Gamma}) = (T_r - T_v) - T(U_0) \quad \text{for } m = 1, 2, \dots, M_{sp} \end{cases} \quad (67)$$

where:

- $Q(\vec{\Gamma})$ refers to the parts of Q that are functions of the circulation,
- $T(\vec{\Gamma})$ refers to the parts of T that are functions of the circulation,
- $Q(U_0)$ refers to the parts of Q that are functions of the onset flow,
- $T(U_0)$ refers to the parts of T that are functions of the onset flow,
- t is the value of the current iteration,
- $t - 1$ is the value from the previous iteration.

The primary challenge in determining the circulation distribution stems from the direct and indirect dependencies of thrust and torque on circulation. For instance, considering the thrust generated by one side:

$$\vec{T} = \rho \vec{U}(\vec{\Gamma}) \times \vec{\Gamma} \quad (68)$$

The equation above clearly illustrates the double dependence on circulation. Therefore, it becomes necessary to employ an iterative method for solving the variational problem in order to determine the radial distribution of circulation on the propeller.

As mentioned earlier, iterations are required to attain a solution to the problem. These iterations continue until the residual R^t falls below a certain limit.

$$R^t = \text{Max} \left(\left| 1 - \frac{\Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}^{(t)}}{\Gamma_{1+(m-1)M_{sp}}^{(t-1)}} \right| \right) \quad \text{for } m = 1, 2, \dots, M_{sp} \quad (69)$$

4.7.3 Optimisation Procedure

First of all, input parameters have to be specified in order to begin the optimisation procedure. These include:

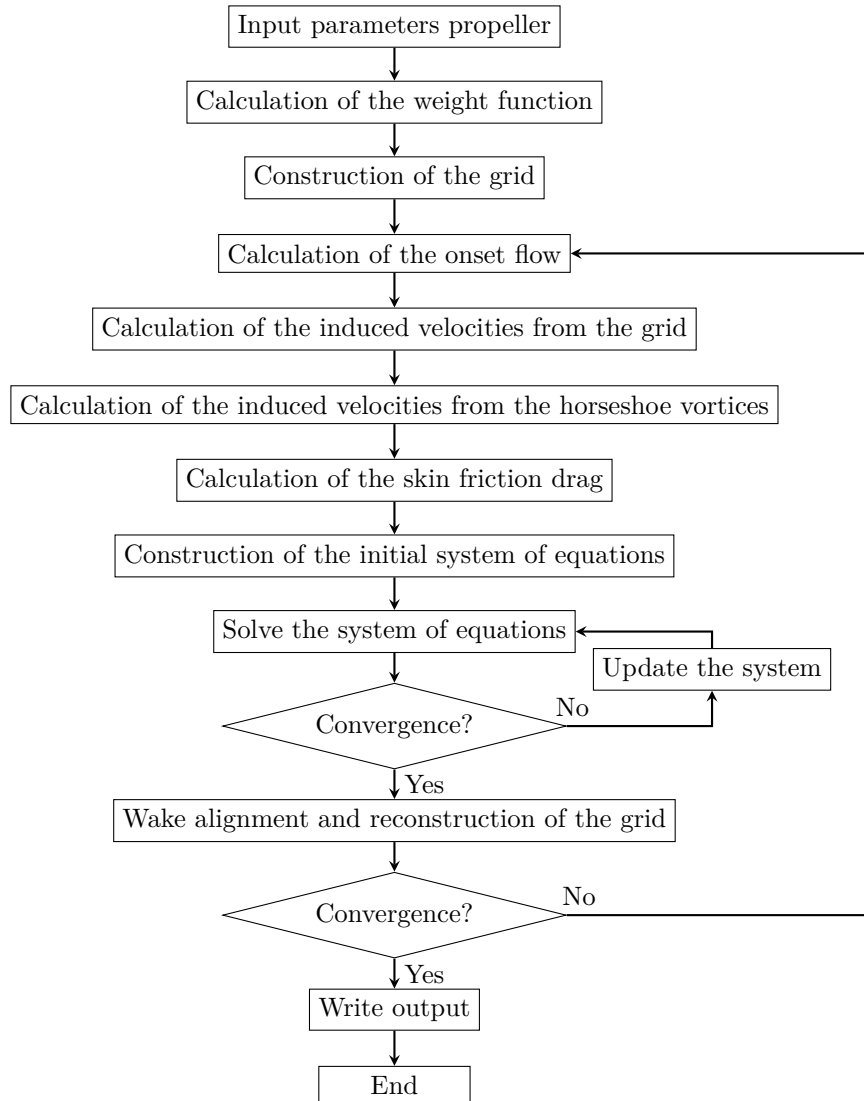
- main dimensions of the propeller (radius of the propeller, radius of the hub, number of blades, etc.),
- size of the grid (number of span-wise panels, number of chord-wise panels, etc.),
- geometry of the mid-chord line, which is specified through the distributions of radius, rake and skew. It is bear mentioning that these three parameters are function of the arc length parameter s ,
- chord length distribution in order to construct the grid.
- design point (advance number, required thrust, etc.),
- onset flow,
- ratio between the flat plate and the rooftop distributions ν .

Given the initial input, the initial system of equations for the variational problem is constructed, according to Equation (67). Initially, the distribution of circulation is set to zero, and the Lagrange multiplier is set to -1 (Coney, 1992) [22]. The iteration for the variational problem continues until the residual, as described in Equation (69), falls below 10^{-5} , typically achieved in fewer than ten iterations. Once the variational problem has converged, the grid and the trailers are aligned according to Equation (48). Subsequently, the system of equations for the variational problem is updated with the new grid and wake geometry, and the variational problem is solved again. The alignment of the grid and the wake continues until the residual for the pitch distribution of the wake is less than 10^{-5} :

$$R_{align}^t = \text{Max} \left(\left| 1 - \frac{P_m^{(t)}}{P_m^{(t-1)}} \right| \right) \quad \text{for } m = 1, 2, \dots, M_{sp} + 1 \quad (70)$$

The number of iterations required for the wake alignment to converge varies based on the propeller geometry and loading, but generally, convergence is slower than for the variational problem. Once the wake alignment has converged, the distribution of circulation is saved to a file, and the program terminates.

The flow chart below, clearly shows the optimisation procedure for the propeller:



It is crucial to obtain the optimal distribution of circulation without altering either the wake or the grid. This necessity arises from the fact that aligning the wake for each iteration of the optimization procedure results in a heavily tip-loaded propeller, as demonstrated by Kerwin (1986) [3]. Consequently, during the circulation optimization procedure, the induced velocities remain fixed, as they are solely functions of the propeller’s geometry.

5 Validation

The validation process of the computer program utilized the DTNSRDC propeller series, with additional information on the series available in Kerwin and Lee's work (1978) [29]. Subsequently, the validation results were compared with findings from Olsen (2001) [4]. For this comparison, four propellers from the series were selected. While these propellers share identical radial distribution of circulation, expanded blade area, and thickness distribution, variations in skew were introduced among them. Consequently, differences in pitch were observed.

The main dimensions and design points for the propellers are as follows:

$$Z = 5; R = 3.0m; \rho = 0.2; A_E/A_0 = 0.725; J = 0.889; K_{T,D} = 0.2055; C_{Th} = 0.662. \quad (71)$$



Figure 14: Grid for DC4381 Propeller, No Skew-No skew-induced rake. $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 20 \times 10$

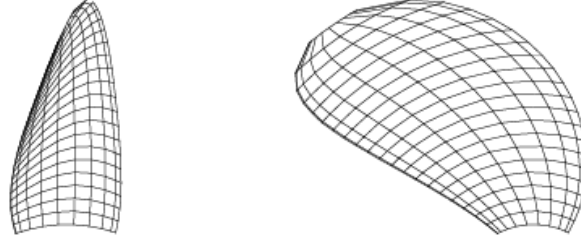


Figure 15: Grid for DC4497 Propeller, 36° Skew, No Skew-induced rake. $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 20 \times 10$

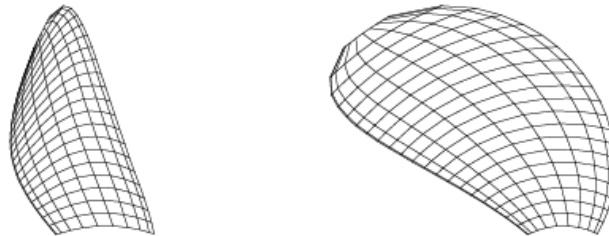


Figure 16: Grid for DC4382 Propeller, 36° Skew, Skew-induced rake. $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 20 \times 10$

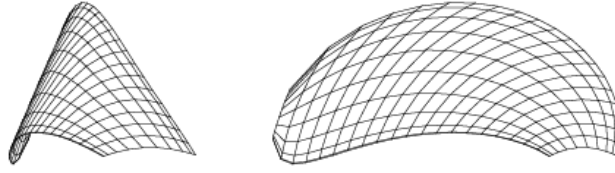


Figure 17: Grid for DC4383 Propeller, 72° Skew, Skew-induced rake. $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 20 \times 10$

The design thrust coefficient, $K_{T,D}$, is approximated from Kerwin and Lee (1978) [29], which also provides detailed geometry information of the propellers. The radius is chosen.

The four propellers include one reference propeller, which has no skew or rake (see Figure 14). The other two are connected, so they both have the same skew, but only one of them has skew-induced rake (see Figures 16 and 15). The last one has both skew and skew-induced rake, and it is different from the other two due to the skew being 72° instead of 36° (see Figure 15).

5.1 Grid Study

Initially, a grid study was conducted to validate the results by varying the number of panels. This approach aimed to assess both the consistency of the results and the impact of grid refinement. The parameter was varied with configurations such as $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 5 \times 5$, 20×10 , 30×20 . The grid study is done with the reference propeller, DC4381, and the linear theory is used. Hence, the grids of the propellers are aligned with the onset flow and the grid is not changed.

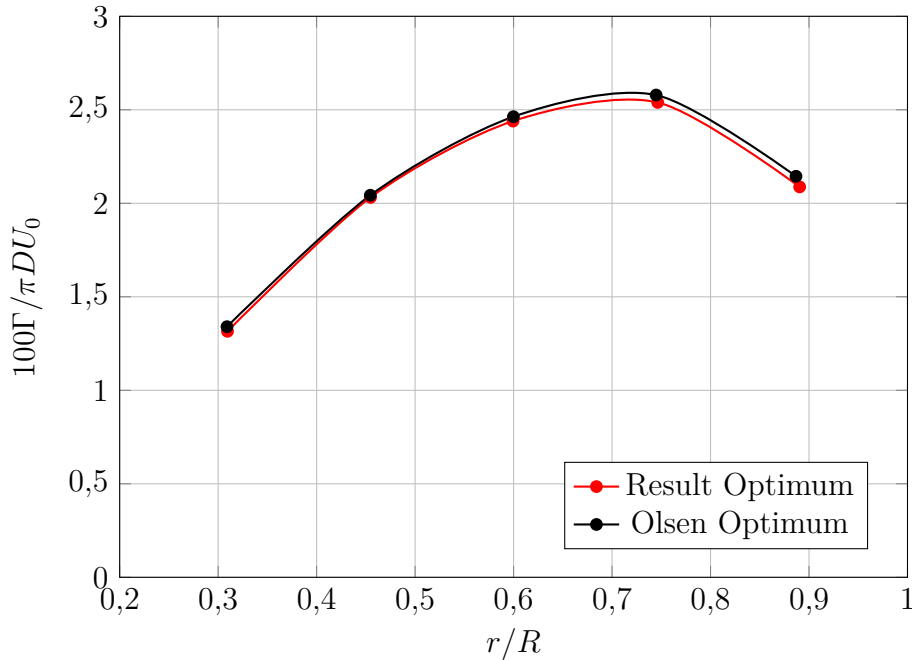


Figure 18: DC4381 $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 5 \times 5$

The tables below shows the optimised torque coefficient $10K_Q$ for DC4381:

The table above illustrates a relative difference of 2.11% between the Olsen value and the validation value. Additionally, it is observed that the absolute difference decreases as the number

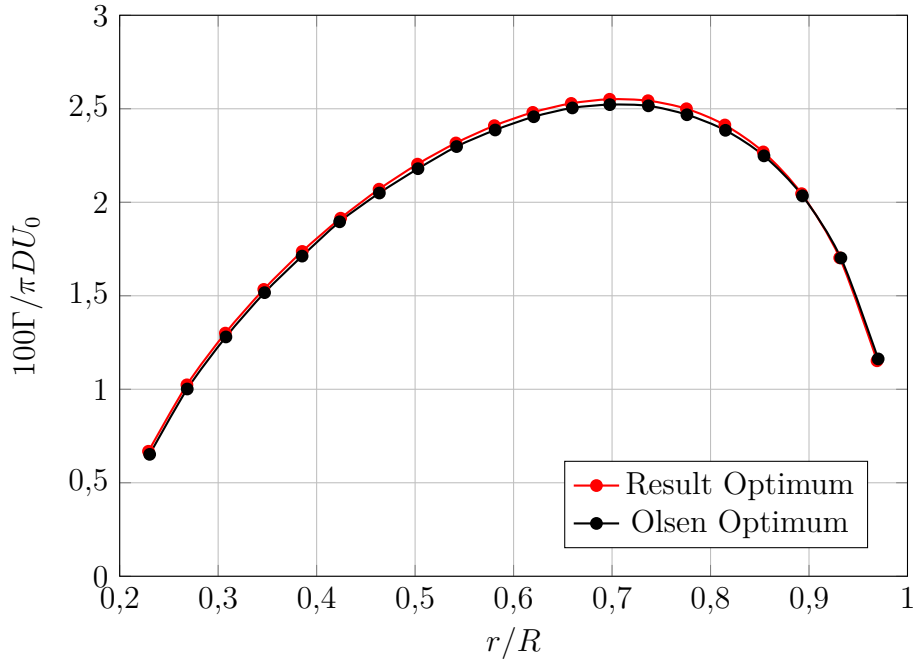


Figure 19: DC4381 $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 20 \times 10$

Table 1: Results from Grid Study

Grid cells	$10K_Q$ (Olsen)	$10K_Q$ (Validation)
5×5	0.3701	0.3587
20×10	0.3695	0.3611
30×20	0.3697	0.3619

of panels increases. From the grid study, it can be concluded that the number of grid points does not significantly impact the final outcome, but rather concerns the desired resolution of the solution. Furthermore, as the number of panels increases, the resulting values tend to converge.

5.1.1 Thrust Loading

The grid study involved varying the thrust coefficient to assess its agreement with Olsen’s results, using a thrust coefficient of $C_{Th} = 2.0$. However, due to the utilization of linear theory, the results for high thrust loads ($C_{Th} = 2.0$) may not be accurate, as the alignment of the trailers was not considered. Nonetheless, these findings provide insights into the method’s performance, under high thrust conditions.

Conversely, the lowest thrust load ($C_{Th} = 0.662$) is considered sufficiently low to justify the application of linear theory. Although slight differences may arise between results with and without wake alignment, these variances are assumed to be negligible for this thrust load. It’s worth noting that the disparities between the two sets of results are minimal.

Table 2: Results obtained by varying thrust coefficient, $C_{Th} = 2$

Grid cells	$10K_Q$ (Olsen)	$10K_Q$ (Validation)
5×5	0.2725	0.2428
20×10	0.2715	0.2602

5.2 Advance Ratio

At this point, the aim is to compare Olsen’s optimization of the lifting surface with the program’s optimization, by varying the advance number. For this purpose, the reference propeller, DC4381, was analyzed for a constant thrust loading and a range of advance numbers. Calculations were performed for a thrust loading of 0.662 and a uniform onset flow with a velocity of 10.0m/s. The chordwise loading is half flat plate and half rooftop ($\nu = 0.5$). The advance number was varied by changing the rotational speed of the propeller.

Table 3: Results obtained by varying Advance Ratio

J	0.8	1.0	1.2
n (rps)	2.083	1.667	1.398
w (rad/sec)	13.090	10.472	8.7266
K_T	0.16645	0.26008	0.37453
K_Q Olsen	0.02655	0.05371	0.09709
K_Q Validation	0.02600	0.05249	0.09484
η Olsen	0.79810	0.77074	0.73673
η Validation	0.81464	0.78822	0.75376

An increase in circulation occurs when the advance numbers increase (see Figures 21 and 23). This is expected, as the force on the blade is a function of speed and circulation (see Equation 38). Therefore, to maintain the same thrust, it is necessary for the circulation to increase, as the rotational speed decreases. Olsen provides an explanation of this phenomenon by examining the equations used and the force distribution on the lifting surface. In particular, he discusses the contribution of panels to thrust and torque, as well as their dependence on induced velocities and onset flow. He concludes that the circulation for optimizing the lifting surface load should be increasingly tip-loaded for decreasing advance numbers. For a better explanation, see Olsen [4].

As the advance numbers increase, there is an observed decrease in efficiency. This is attributed to the increasing relative magnitude of the axial velocity compared to the rotational velocity at higher advance numbers. Consequently, the torque also increases in relation to the thrust.

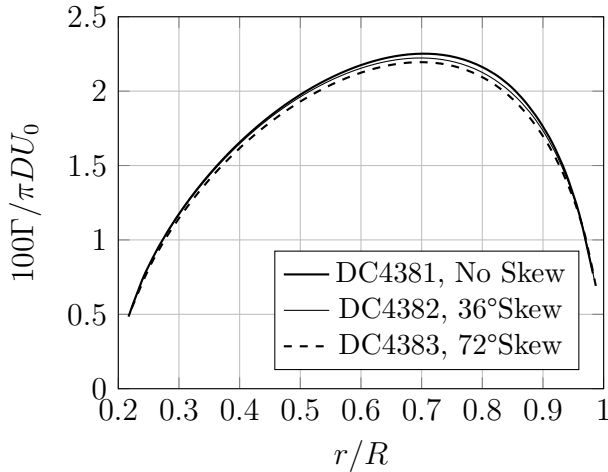
A grid consisting of 35 panels in the longitudinal direction and 20 panels in the chordwise direction was used, employing linear theory. The validation results were reported in Table (3). Also in this case, the differences in results are minimal.

5.3 Skew

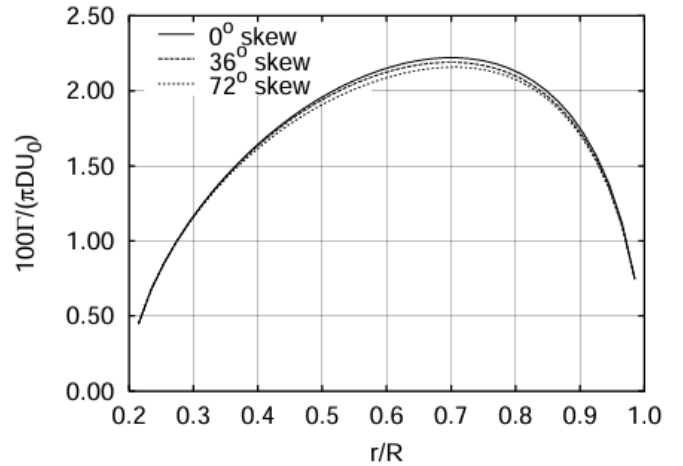
For further comparison between Olsen’s method and this program, the optimal distribution of circulation is considered. Figure (20) illustrates the circulation distributions for the propeller DC4381, as well as for two propellers with both skew and skew-induced rake, DC4382 and DC4383. From the figure, it is evident that the maximum value of circulation decreases with increasing skew. Hence, the shape of the propeller has a small but noticeable influence on the optimal distribution of circulation. Consequently, the efficiency of the skewed propeller is higher than that of the propeller without skew. Therefore, it can be concluded that the efficiency of the propeller is positively influenced by the increase in skew.

The design point used:

- $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 35 * 20$
- $J = 0.8$
- $U_a = 10m/s$
- $C_{Th} = 0.662$
- $K_T = 0.1664$



(a) $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 35 \times 20$



(b) Olsen optimum

Figure 20: Comparison between results for the reference propeller, DC4381, the propeller with 36° skew and skew-induced rake, DC4382, and the propeller with 72° skew and skew-induced rake, DC4383.

Table 4: Results obtained by varying Skew

J	0.8		
K_T	0.16645		
Propeller	4381	4382	4383
Skew	0°	36°	72°
Indu.-rake	no	yes	yes
K_Q (Olsen)	0.02655	0.02641	0.2623
K_Q (Validacion)	0.02600	0.02602	0.02595
η (Olsen)	0.79810	0.80252	0.80786
η (Validacion)	0.81464	0.81507	0.81642

5.4 Skew-Induced Rake

Figures (21) and (23) compare the results for the skewed propellers with and without skew-induced rake, alongside the results for the reference propeller. The data is provided for $J = 0.8$ and $J = 1.0$. The Figures and Tables (5), illustrate that the circulation distribution and efficiency for the propellers with and without skew-induced rake are nearly identical. These results align with Munk’s displacement theorem.

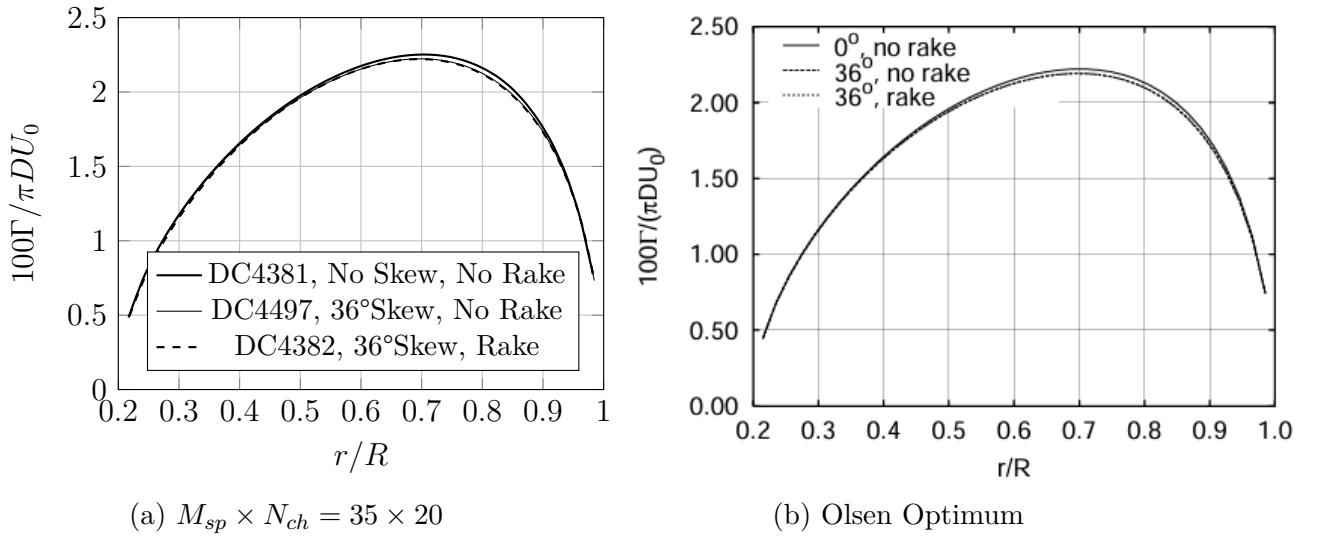


Figure 21: Comparison between results for the reference propeller, DC4381, and the two propellers with 36° skew, DC4382 which has skew-induced rake and DC4497 which has no rake. $J = 0.8$

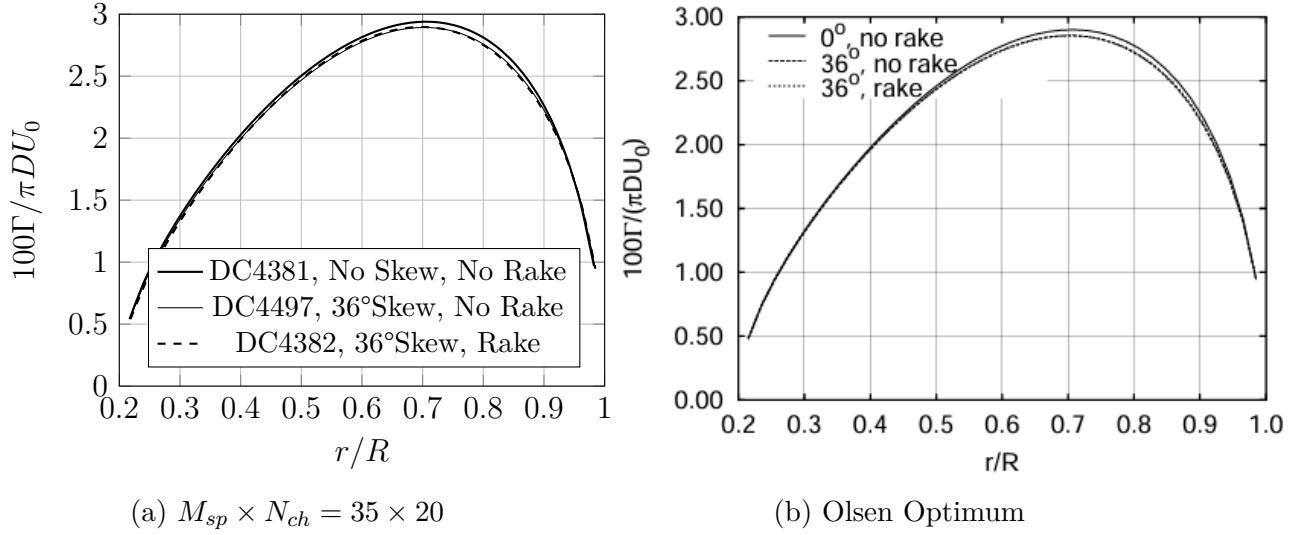


Figure 22: Comparison between results for the reference propeller, DC4381, and the two propellers with 36° skew, DC4382 which has skew-induced rake and DC4497 which has no rake. $J = 1.0$.

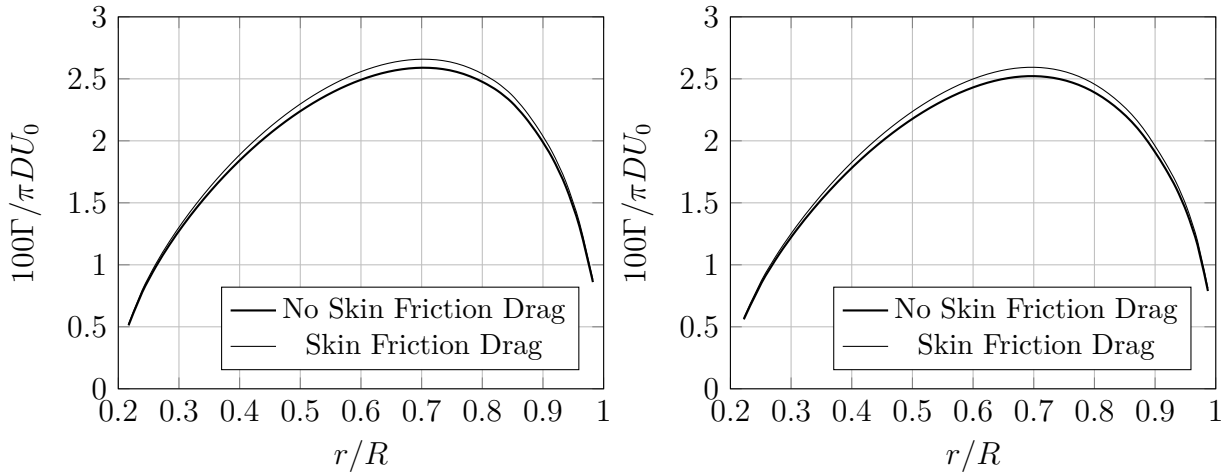
Table 5: Results obtained by varying Skew-induced Rake

J	0.8		
K_T	0.16645		
Propeller	4381	4382	4497
Skew	0°	36°	36°
Indu.-rake	no	yes	no
K_Q (Olsen)	0.02655	0.02641	0.02639
K_Q (Validation)	0.02600	0.02602	0.02598
η (Olsen)	0.79810	0.80252	0.80305
η (Validation)	0.81464	0.81507	0.81418

J	1		
K_T	0.26008		
Propeller	4381	4382	4497
Skew	0°	36°	36°
Indu.-rake	no	yes	no
K_Q (Olsen)	0.05371	0.05330	0.05324
K_Q (Validation)	0.05249	0.05236	0.05241
η (Olsen)	0.77074	0.77658	0.7743
η (Validation)	0.78822	0.79020	0.78948

5.5 Skin Friction Drag

The following analysis focuses on the influence of Skin Friction Drag. Two propellers were examined: the reference propeller, DC4381, and the propeller with skew but without induced rake, DC4497. The results clearly indicate that the inclusion of skin friction drag results in a more significant increase in torque and a decrease in efficiency. While potential flow theory provides a good representation of reality, incorporating a correction coefficient to account for the resistance generated in the boundary layer due to water viscosity brings our analysis closer to a more accurate depiction of reality.



(a) DC4381; $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 35 \times 20$

(b) DC4497; $M_{sp} \times N_{ch} = 35 \times 20$

Figure 23: Comparison between results for the reference propeller, DC4381, and the 36° skew, DC4497 which has no rake.

Table 6: Variation of Skin Friction Drag Results

Propeller	ω (rad/sec)	$10K_Q$ (Inviscid)	$10K_Q$ (Viscid)	η (Inviscid)	η (Viscid)
DC4381	1.875	0.0374	0.0420	0.8020	0.71499
DC4497	1.875	0.0373	0.04249	0.8045	0.70755

6 Conclusions

The outcome of this study demonstrates the successful development of a Python-based vortex lattice method to optimize propeller efficiency for a given thrust, proving its effectiveness across different grid resolutions and for various propeller loadings. Furthermore, the calculations indicate that the impact of the chordwise pressure distribution is negligible, in accordance with Munk's displacement theorem. Despite incorporating the entire blade into the optimization process, it becomes apparent that with the vortex-lattice method utilized, the majority of thrust and torque originate from the sides of the horseshoe vortices along the trailing edges, where the onset flow and induced velocities are fully incorporated. This observation is consistent with the principles outlined in Munk's theorem.

Comparison among the DTNSRDC propellers reveals variations in the distributions of circulation and torque. Notably, skew enhances efficiency, and further gains in efficiency can be achieved by eliminating skew-induced rake. Although the exact explanation behind this effect is not fully understood, some insights can be obtained by examining the combination of circulation distribution and total velocities at the trailing edge for different propellers. This comparison suggests a beneficial impact of skew on induced velocities at the trailing edge, resulting in higher efficiencies for skewed propellers. Further investigation is necessary to fully understand why propellers with skew demonstrate superior efficiency, although similar findings are documented in Mishima and Kinnas (1997) [36].

Furthermore, the calculations demonstrate that circulation and torque distributions are dependent on blade geometry. Additionally, incorporating the Skin Friction Drag coefficient separately in the calculation yields results closer to reality, accounting for a portion of drag neglected in potential flow theory.

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8 Code

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17      N_Panel_P, N_Bound_Vortex_P, Horseshoe_P, Points_Trans_Wake_P
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44     return Gamma_TE_P_No_dim
45
46 Gamma_TE_P_No_dim = main()
47

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1  """
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6  Description: This subroutine is tasked with creating and solving the system of
7  equations for the propeller analysis. It aligns the wake of the propeller,
8  ensuring that the flow dynamics are accurately represented and optimized.
9  """
10
11
12 import numpy as np
13 import sources.Variables as Var
14 from sources.Weight_Function_Propeller_P import Weight_function_propeller
15 from sources.Onset_Flow_Propeller_P import Onset_Flow_Propeller
16 from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
17 from sources.Induced_Grid_Propeller_P import Induced_Grid_Propeller
18 from sources.Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller_P import Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller
19 from sources.Gamma_Initialization import Gamma_It
20 from sources.Propeller_Pitch import pitch
21 from sources.Velocity_Total_Propeller_P import Velocity_Total_Propeller
22 from sources.Align_Wake_Propeller_P import Align_Wake_Propeller
23 from sources.Skin_Friction_Drag_P import Skin_Friction_Drag
24
25
26 def System_Equations_Propeller_P():
27     Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()
28     Gamma_TE_P = Gamma_It()
29     V_Onset_P = Onset_Flow_Propeller()
30     V_Ind_P, V_Tral_P = Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller()
31     Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt",
32                                     skiprows= 1, usecols= (1,2,3))
33
34     # DECLARATION OF VARIABLES
35
36     matr_T = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, Var.Msp+1))
37     matr_Q1 = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, Var.Msp+1))
38     matr_Q2 = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, Var.Msp+1))
39     matrix = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, Var.Msp+1))
40     rhsQ = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1,2))
41     #Right hand side of the equation system
42     rhs = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1,1))
43
44     T_fr_P = 0.0
45     # Thrust - Skin friction drag - Propeller
46     Tr_P = 0.0
47

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48 R_Circ_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
49 # Radius where the circulation is calculated at the T.E.
50 R_Circ_P_R = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
51 # Dimensionless radius where the circulation is calculated at the T.E.
52 pitch_0 = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1,1))
53
54 # INITIALIZATION
55
56 Cs_T_r = (Var.Tr_P)/Var.rho/float(Var.Z_Blade_P)
57 # Required thrust for each blade without rho (We don't use rho in the system)
58
59 iteration = 1
60
61 # INITIALIZATION VARIABLE GAMMA
62
63 Gamma_TE_P_No_dim = np.zeros((Var.Msp,1))
64 #Distribution of circulation at the T.E. (Dimensionless)
65 Gamma_Panel_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp*Var.Nch))
66 # Distribution of circulation on the blade
67
68 # ALIGNMENT LOOP
69
70 for j in range (Var.Msp+1):
71     rhs[j,0] = 0.0
72     rhsQ[j,0] = 0.0
73     rhsQ [j,1] = 0.0
74     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
75         matr_T[j,i] = 0.0
76         matr_Q1[j,i] = 0.0
77         matr_Q2[j,i] = 0.0
78         matrix[j,i] = 0.0
79
80 # SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS - DOUBLE LOOP USED TO CALCULATE &T(Uo),&Q1(Uo),&Q2(Uo)
81
82 # This loop creates the system of equations (m = 1,2,3... Msp - Lines of the matrix)
83 for m in range(Var.Msp):
84     temp_T_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Uo)
85     temp_Q1_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1(Uo)
86     temp_Q2_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2(Uo)
87
88     for n in range (Var.Nch): # First loop used to calculate the first sum (Nch)
89         npln = (n)+(m)*Var.Nch # Counter used to select the right panel
90
91         n_side = 4 # Number of sides for each panel
92         if n == 0:
93             n_side = 3
94             # If we are considering the T.E. panel, instead of removing
95             # the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
96
97         temp_T_1 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
98         temp_Q_11 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
99         temp_Q_22 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
100
101         for l in range(n_side):
102             # Second loop used to calculate the second sum (4)
103             xxn,xyn,xzn,xln,yln,zln = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npln,1)
104             # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
105
106             temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,1] - yln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,2]
107             # Temporary variable used to calculate &T
108
109             temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyn*yln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,0] - xyn*xln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,1]
110             # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
111
112             temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzn*xln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,2] - xzn*zln*V_Onset_P[npln,1,0]
113             # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
114
115             temp_T_0 = temp_T_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_T_1
116             temp_Q1_0 = temp_Q1_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_11
117             temp_Q2_0 = temp_Q2_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_22
118             # Temporary variable used to calculate T(Uo) (Nch Loop)
119             # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1(Uo) (Nch Loop)
120             # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2(Uo) (Nch Loop)
121
122             matr_T [m,Var.Msp] = temp_T_0 # Value of &T(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
123             rhsQ[m,0] = - temp_Q1_0 # Value of &Q1(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix rhs_Q)
124             rhsQ[m,1] = - temp_Q2_0 # Value of &Q2(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix rhs_Q)
125
126 # Double loop used to calculate &T(Gam),&Q1(Gam),&Q2(Gam)
127
128 # Loop used to select the line of the equation
129 # (We don't have the loop n because we already did that in Induced_Grid_Propeller)
130 for m in range(Var.Msp):
131     # Loop used to select the spanwise layer that induces velocity (Columns of the matrix) - Msp SUM
132     for j in range (Var.Msp):
133         temp_T_Gam = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
134         temp_Q1_Gam = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
135         temp_Q2_Gam = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
136
137 #Loop used to select where the point is located (chordwise) - First SUM Nch
138 for n in range(Var.Nch):
139     npln = n + (m)*Var.Nch #Panel where the point is located
140
141     temp_T_1 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
142     temp_Q_11 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
143     temp_Q_22 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
144
145     n_side = 4 # If we are considering the T.E. panel,
146     if n == 0: # instead of removing the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
147         n_side = 3
148
149     for l in range (n_side):

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150     # Loop used to select the side of the panel
151
152     xxn,xyn,xzn,xln,ynl,zln = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npln,1)
153     # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
154
155     temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,1] - yln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,2]
156     # Temporary variable used to calculate &T - Total thrust for that panel by j
157
158     temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyn*yln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,0] - xyn*xln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,1]
159     # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1 - Total torque 1 for that panel by j
160
161     temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzn*xln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,2] - xzn*zln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,1,0]
162     # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2 - Total torque 2 for that panel by j
163
164     temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_T_1
165     temp_Q1_Gam = temp_Q1_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_11
166     temp_Q2_Gam = temp_Q2_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_22
167     # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1 (Nch Loop)
168     # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2 (Nch Loop)
169     # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
170
171     for i in range (Var.Nch):
172     # Loop used to select where the point is located (chordwise)
173     # Second SUM Nch
174     npli = i + (j)* Var.Nch
175
176     temp_T_1 = 0.0
177     temp_Q_11 = 0.0
178     temp_Q_22 = 0.0
179     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
180     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
181     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
182
183     n_side = 4
184     if i == 0:
185         n_side = 3
186         # If we are considering the T.E. panel,
187         # instead of removing the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
188
189     for l in range(n_side):
190     xxi,xyi,xzi,xli,yli,zli = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npli,1)
191     # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
192
193     temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,1] - yli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,2]
194     # Temporary variable used to calculate &T
195     temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyi*yli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,0] - xyi*xli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,1]
196     # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
197     temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzi*xli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,2] - xzi*zli*V_Ind_P[m,npli,1,0]
198     # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
199
200     temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_T_1
201     temp_Q1_Gam = temp_Q1_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_Q_11
202     temp_Q2_Gam = temp_Q2_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_Q_22
203     # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
204     # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1 (Nch Loop)
205     # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2 (Nch Loop)
206
207     matr_T[m,j] = temp_T_Gam
208     matr_Q1[m,j] = temp_Q1_Gam
209     matr_Q2[m,j] = temp_Q2_Gam
210     # Value of &T(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
211     # Value of &Q1(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
212     # Value of &Q2(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
213
214     # SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS - LOOP
215
216     V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P = Velocity_Total_Propeller ()
217     # It is used it in order to update V_Tot_P with the new values of gamma
218
219     # Loop for the T.E. panels (They don't have the weight function)
220     for m in range(Var.Msp):
221     npl0 = (m)*Var.Nch
222     n_side = 3
223     temp_T_Gam = 0.0
224
225     for l in range(n_side):
226     xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl0,1)
227     # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
228
229     temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[npl0,1,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[npl0,1,2]
230     # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
231
232     matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = temp_T_Gam
233     # Value of &T (T.E.) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
234
235     # Loop for the other panels (They don't have the weight function)
236     for n in range(1, Var.Nch):
237     npl1 = n + (m)*Var.Nch
238     n_side = 4
239     temp_T_2_Gam = 0.0
240
241     # Loop for the other panels
242     for l in range(n_side):
243     xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl1,1)
244     # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
245     temp_T_2_Gam = temp_T_2_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[npl1,1,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[npl1,1,2]
246     # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
247     matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = matr_T[Var.Msp,m] + Weight_P[m,n]*temp_T_2_Gam
248     # Value of &T in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
249
250     # CREATION OF THE MATRIX
251

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252 lambda_t_1 = Gamma_TE_P[Var.Msp]
253 # Lagrange multiplier lambda t-1
254
255 for i in range (Var.Msp):
256     rhs[i,0] = rhsQ[i,0] - rhsQ[i,1]
257     # rhs matrix
258
259     matrix[i,Var.Msp] = matr_T[i,Var.Msp]          # System of equation (Left Matrix)
260     matrix[Var.Msp,i] = matr_T[Var.Msp,i]         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
261
262     for j in range (Var.Msp):
263         matrix[i,j] = matr_Q1[i,j] - matr_Q2[i,j] + lambda_t_1*matr_T[i,j]
264         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
265
266 rhs[Var.Msp,0] = Cs_T_r + (abs(T_fr_P))/Var.rho
267 # Total thrust required (Required + Skin Friction Drag Propeller)
268 matrix[Var.Msp,Var.Msp] = 0.0
269
270 # SOLVE THE SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS
271
272 rhs = np.linalg.solve(matrix, rhs) #it solves the system of equations
273 #Computes the "exact solution, x, of the well-determined, i.e.,
274 # full rank, linear matrix equation ax = b.
275
276 # CONVERGENS OF THE SYSTEM
277
278 res_0 = 0.0
279 # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
280 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
281     res_1 = abs(1-Gamma_TE_P[i]/rhs[i,0])
282
283     if res_1 > res_0:
284         res_0 = res_1
285         Gamma_TE_P[i] = rhs[i,0]          # New values of circulation
286 with open ("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
287     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
288         file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
289
290 while (res_0 > Var.epsi):
291     V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P = Velocity_Total_Propeller ( )
292     # It is used it in order to update V_Tot_P with the new values of gamma
293
294     # Loop for the T.E. panels (They don't have the weight function)
295     for m in range(Var.Msp):
296         npl0 = (m)*Var.Nch
297         n_side = 3
298         temp_T_Gam = 0.0
299
300         for l in range(n_side):
301             xxm, xym, xzm, xlm, ylm, zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl0,l)
302             # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
303
304             temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[npl0,l,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[npl0,l,2]
305             # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
306
307         matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = temp_T_Gam
308         # Value of &T (T.E.) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
309
310         # Loop for the other panels (They don't have the weight function)
311         for n in range(1, Var.Nch):
312
313             npl1 = n + (m)*Var.Nch
314             n_side = 4
315             temp_T_2_Gam = 0.0
316
317             # Loop for the other panels
318             for l in range(n_side):
319                 xxm, xym, xzm, xlm, ylm, zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl1,l)
320                 # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
321                 temp_T_2_Gam = temp_T_2_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[npl1,l,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[npl1,l,2]
322                 # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
323                 matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = matr_T[Var.Msp,m] + Weight_P[m,n]*temp_T_2_Gam
324                 # Value of &T in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
325
326 # CREATION OF THE MATRIX
327
328 lambda_t_1 = Gamma_TE_P[Var.Msp]
329 # Lagrange multiplier lambda t-1
330
331 for i in range (Var.Msp):
332     rhs[i,0] = rhsQ[i,0] - rhsQ[i,1]
333     # rhs matrix
334
335     matrix[i,Var.Msp] = matr_T[i,Var.Msp]          # System of equation (Left Matrix)
336     matrix[Var.Msp,i] = matr_T[Var.Msp,i]         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
337
338     for j in range (Var.Msp):
339         matrix[i,j] = matr_Q1[i,j] - matr_Q2[i,j] + lambda_t_1*matr_T[i,j]
340         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
341
342 rhs[Var.Msp,0] = Cs_T_r + (abs(T_fr_P))/Var.rho
343 # Total thrust required (Required + Skin Friction Drag Propeller)
344 matrix[Var.Msp,Var.Msp] = 0.0
345
346 # SOLVE THE SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS
347
348 rhs = np.linalg.solve(matrix, rhs) #it solves the system of equations
349 #Computes the "exact solution, x, of the well-determined, i.e.,
350 # full rank, linear matrix equation ax = b.
351
352 # CONVERGENS OF THE SYSTEM
353

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354     res_0 = 0.0
355     # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
356     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
357         res_1 = abs(1-Gamma_TE_P[i]/ rhs[i,0])
358
359         if res_1 > res_0:
360             res_0 = res_1
361             Gamma_TE_P[i] = rhs[i,0] # New values of circulation
362     with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
363         for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
364             file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
365
366     print('Iteration Propeller Number: {}'.format(iteration), 'Circulation on the propeller at the TE:')
367
368     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
369         print(i, Gamma_TE_P[i])
370
371     for i in range(Var.Msp):
372         j = (i)*Var.Nch
373
374         xx,xy,xz,xl,yl,zl = Mid_Vect_Propeller(j,3)
375         #This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint px,py,pz
376
377         R_Circ_P[i] = np.sqrt(xy*xy + xz*xz)
378         R_Circ_P_R[i] = R_Circ_P[i]/Var.Rad_P
379
380         Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i] = (Gamma_TE_P[i]*100)/(np.pi*2*Var.Rad_P*Var.V_Ship)
381
382     with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE.txt","w") as file:
383         file.write("    Gamma_Dim    Gamma_No_Dim    Radius\n")
384         for i in range(Var.Msp):
385             file.write("{:13.9f}    {:13.9f}    {:13.9f}\n".format(Gamma_TE_P[i], Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i], R_Circ_P[i]))
386
387     with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
388         for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
389             file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]}\n")
390
391     with open("output/Propeller_Print_Gamma_TE.txt","w") as file:
392         for i in range(Var.Msp):
393             file.write(f" {Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i]}\n")
394
395     with open("output/Propeller_Print_Radius_TE.txt","w") as file:
396         for i in range(Var.Msp):
397             file.write(f"{R_Circ_P_R[i]}\n")
398
399     # DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULATION AT THE REST OF THE BLADE
400
401     for i in range(Var.Msp):
402         npl_TE = i * Var.Nch
403         Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE] = Gamma_TE_P[i]
404
405         for j in range(1,Var.Nch):
406             npl = j + i * Var.Nch
407             Gamma_Panel_P[npl] = Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE] * Weight_P[i,j]
408
409     with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_Blade.txt","w") as file:
410         file.write(" Panel    Gamma\n")
411         for i in range(Var.Msp*Var.Nch):
412             file.write(f" {i:3d}    {Gamma_Panel_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
413
414     # ALIGNMENT OF THE WAKE
415
416     pitch_0 = pitch()
417
418     Points_Trans_Wake_P, Grid_Points_P, Control_Points_P = Align_Wake_Propeller()
419     res_0 = 0.0
420     # Initialization of the residual
421
422     # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
423     for i in range(Var.Msp + 1):
424         i_1 = i+i*(Var.N_P_L)
425         res_1 = abs(1 - (Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2] / pitch_0[i]))
426
427     if res_1 > res_0:
428         res_0 = res_1
429
430     while(iteration < 15): # If the the residual is greater than epsi the loop starts again
431         while (res_0 > Var.epsi):
432             V_Onset_P = Onset_Flow_Propeller()
433             V_Grid_P = Induced_Grid_Propeller()
434             V_Ind_P, V_Tral_P = Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller()
435             T_fr_P, Q_fr_P = Skin_Friction_Drag()
436
437             iteration = iteration + 1
438
439             for j in range(Var.Msp+1):
440                 rhs[j,0] = 0.0
441                 rhsQ[j,0] = 0.0
442                 rhsQ[j,1] = 0.0
443                 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
444                     matr_T[j,i] = 0.0
445                     matr_Q1[j,i] = 0.0
446                     matr_Q2[j,i] = 0.0
447                     matrix[j,i] = 0.0
448
449             # SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS - DOUBLE LOOP USED TO CALCULATE &T(Uo),&Q1(Uo),&Q2(Uo)
450
451             # This loop creates the system of equations (m = 1,2,3... Msp - Lines of the matrix)
452             for m in range(Var.Msp):
453                 temp_T_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Uo)
454                 temp_Q1_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1(Uo)
455                 temp_Q2_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2(Uo)

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456
457 # First loop used to calculate the first sum (Nch)
458 for n in range (Var.Nch):
459     npln = (n)+(m)*Var.Nch
460     # Counter used to select the right panel
461
462     n_side = 4 # Number of sides for each panel
463     if n == 0:
464         n_side = 3
465         # If we are considering the T.E. panel, instead of removing
466         # the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
467
468     temp_T_1 = 0.0
469     temp_Q_11 = 0.0
470     temp_Q_22 = 0.0
471     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
472     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
473     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
474
475     for l in range(n_side):
476         # Second loop used to calculate the second sum (4)
477         xxn,xyn,xzn,xln,yln,zln = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npln,l)
478         # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
479
480         temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,1] - yln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,2]
481         # Temporary variable used to calculate &T
482
483         temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyn*yln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,0] - xyn*xln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,1]
484         # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
485
486         temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzn*xln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,2] - xzn*zln*V_Onset_P[npln,l,0]
487         # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
488
489         temp_T_0 = temp_T_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_T_1
490         temp_Q1_0 = temp_Q1_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_11
491         temp_Q2_0 = temp_Q2_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_22
492         # Temporary variable used to calculate T(Uo) (Nch Loop)
493         # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1(Uo) (Nch Loop)
494         # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2(Uo) (Nch Loop)
495
496         matr_T [m,Var.Msp] = temp_T_0 # Value of &T(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
497         rhsQ[m,0] = - temp_Q1_0 # Value of &Q1(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix rhs_Q)
498         rhsQ[m,1] = - temp_Q2_0 # Value of &Q2(Uo) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix rhs_Q)
499
500 # Double loop used to calculate &T(Gam),&Q1(Gam),&Q2(Gam)
501
502 # Loop used to select the line of the equation
503 # (We don't have the loop n because we already did that in Induced_Grid_Propeller)
504 for m in range(Var.Msp):
505     # Loop used to select the spanwise layer that induces velocity (Columns of the matrix) - Msp SUM
506     for j in range (Var.Msp):
507         temp_T_Gam = 0.0
508         temp_Q1_Gam = 0.0
509         temp_Q2_Gam = 0.0
510         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
511         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
512         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T(Gam)
513
514     #Loop used to select where the point is located (chordwise) - First SUM Nch
515     for n in range(Var.Nch):
516         npln = n + (m)*Var.Nch
517         #Panel where the point is located
518
519         temp_T_1 = 0.0
520         temp_Q_11 = 0.0
521         temp_Q_22 = 0.0
522         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
523         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
524         # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
525
526         n_side = 4
527         if n == 0:
528             n_side = 3
529             # If we are considering the T.E. panel,
530             # instead of removing the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
531
532         for l in range (n_side):
533             # Loop used to select the side of the panel
534
535             xxn,xyn,xzn,xln,yln,zln = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npln,l)
536             # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
537
538             temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,1] - yln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,2]
539             # Temporary variable used to calculate &T -
540             # Total thrust for that panel by j
541
542             temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyn*yln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,0]- xyn*xln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,1]
543             # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1 -
544             # Total torque 1 for that panel by j
545
546             temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzn*xln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,2]- xzn*zln*V_Ind_P[j,npln,l,0]
547             # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2 -
548             # Total torque 2 for that panel by j
549
550             temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_T_1
551             temp_Q1_Gam = temp_Q1_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_11
552             temp_Q2_Gam = temp_Q2_Gam + Weight_P[m,n] * temp_Q_22
553             # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1 (Nch Loop)
554             # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2 (Nch Loop)
555             # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
556
557     for i in range (Var.Nch):

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558 # Loop used to select where the point is located (chordwise)
559 # Second SUM Nch
560     np1i = i + (j)* Var.Nch
561
562     temp_T_1 = 0.0
563     temp_Q_11 = 0.0
564     temp_Q_22 = 0.0
565     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &T
566     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
567     # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
568
569     n_side = 4           # If we are considering the T.E. panel,
570     if i == 0:          # instead of removing the value of the T.E. side, we skip it
571         n_side = 3
572
573     for l in range(n_side):
574         xxi,xyi,xzi,xli,yli,zli = Mid_Vect_Propeller(np1i,1)
575         # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
576
577         temp_T_1 = temp_T_1 + zli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,1]- yli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,2]
578         # Temporary variable used to calculate &T
579         temp_Q_11 = temp_Q_11 + xyi*yli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,0] - xyi*xli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,1]
580         # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q1
581         temp_Q_22 = temp_Q_22 + xzi*xli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,2]- xzi*zli*V_Ind_P[m,np1i,1,0]
582         # Temporary variable used to calculate &Q2
583
584         temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_T_1
585         temp_Q1_Gam = temp_Q1_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_Q_11
586         temp_Q2_Gam = temp_Q2_Gam + Weight_P[j,i] * temp_Q_22
587         # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
588         # Temporary variable used to calculate Q1 (Nch Loop)
589         # Temporary variable used to calculate Q2 (Nch Loop)
590
591         matr_T[m,j] = temp_T_Gam
592         matr_Q1[m,j] = temp_Q1_Gam
593         matr_Q2[m,j] = temp_Q2_Gam
594         # Value of &T(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
595         # Value of &Q1(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
596         # Value of &Q2(Gam) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
597
598 # SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS - LOOP
599
600 V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P = Velocity_Total_Propeller ()
601 # It is used it in order to update V_Tot_P with the new values of gamma
602
603 # Loop for the T.E. panels (They don't have the weight function)
604 for m in range(Var.Msp):
605     np10 = (m)*Var.Nch
606     n_side = 3
607     temp_T_Gam = 0.0
608
609     for l in range(n_side):
610         xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(np10,1)
611         # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
612
613         temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[np10,1,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[np10,1,2]
614         # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
615
616     matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = temp_T_Gam
617     # Value of &T (T.E.) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
618
619 # Loop for the other panels (They don't have the weight function)
620 for n in range(1, Var.Nch):
621
622     np1i = n + (m)*Var.Nch
623     n_side = 4
624     temp_T_2_Gam = 0.0
625
626     # Loop for the other panels
627     for l in range(n_side):
628         xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(np1i,1)
629         # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
630         temp_T_2_Gam = temp_T_2_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[np1i,1,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[np1i,1,2]
631         # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
632     matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = matr_T[Var.Msp,m] + Weight_P[m,n]*temp_T_2_Gam
633     # Value of &T in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
634
635 # CREATION OF THE MATRIX
636
637 lambda_t_1 = Gamma_TE_P[Var.Msp]           # Lagrange multiplier lambda t-1
638
639 for i in range(Var.Msp):
640     rhs[i,0] = rhsQ[i,0] - rhsQ[i,1]       # rhs matrix
641
642     matrix[i,Var.Msp] = matr_T[i,Var.Msp]   # System of equation (Left Matrix)
643     matrix[Var.Msp,i] = matr_T[Var.Msp,i]   # System of equation (Left Matrix)
644
645     for j in range(Var.Msp):
646         matrix[i,j] = matr_Q1[i,j] - matr_Q2[i,j] + lambda_t_1*matr_T[i,j]
647         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
648
649
650 rhs[Var.Msp,0] = Cs_T_r + (abs(T_fr_P))/Var.rho
651 # Total thrust required (Required + Skin Friction Drag Propeller)
652 matrix[Var.Msp,Var.Msp] = 0.0
653
654 # SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS - LOOP
655
656 rhs = np.linalg.solve(matrix, rhs)         #it solves the system of equations
657 #Computes the "exact solution, x, of the well-determined, i.e.,
658 # full rank, linear matrix equation ax = b.
659

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660 # CONVERGENS OF THE SYSTEM
661
662 res_0 = 0.0
663 # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
664 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
665     res_1 = abs(1-Gamma_TE_P[i]/rhs[i,0])
666
667     if res_1 > res_0:
668         res_0 = res_1
669         Gamma_TE_P[i] = rhs[i,0] # New values of circulation
670 with open ("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
671     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
672         file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
673
674 while (res_0 > Var.epsi):
675     V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P = Velocity_Total_Propeller ()
676     # It is used it in order to update V_Tot_P with the new values of gamma
677
678     # Loop for the T.E. panels (They don't have the weight function)
679     for m in range(Var.Msp):
680         np10 = (m)*Var.Nch
681         n_side = 3
682         temp_T_Gam = 0.0
683
684         for l in range(n_side):
685             xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(np10,l)
686             # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
687
688             temp_T_Gam = temp_T_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[np10,l,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[np10,l,2]
689             # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
690
691         matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = temp_T_Gam
692         # Value of &T (T.E.) in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
693
694     # Loop for the other panels (They don't have the weight function)
695     for n in range(1, Var.Nch):
696         np11 = n + (m)*Var.Nch
697         n_side = 4
698         temp_T_2_Gam = 0.0
699
700     # Loop for the other panels
701     for l in range(n_side):
702         xxm,xym,xzm,xlm,ylm,zlm = Mid_Vect_Propeller(np11,l)
703         # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint
704         temp_T_2_Gam = temp_T_2_Gam + zlm*V_Tot_P[np11,l,1] - ylm*V_Tot_P[np11,l,2]
705         # Temporary variable used to calculate T (Nch Loop)
706         matr_T[Var.Msp,m] = matr_T[Var.Msp,m] + Weight_P[m,n]*temp_T_2_Gam
707         # Value of &T in the right position in the matrix (Temporary matrix matr_T)
708
709 # CREATION OF THE MATRIX
710
711 lambda_t_1 = Gamma_TE_P[Var.Msp]
712 # Lagrange multiplier lambda t-1
713
714 for i in range (Var.Msp):
715     rhs[i,0] = rhsQ[i,0] - rhsQ[i,1]
716     # rhs matrix
717
718     matrix[i,Var.Msp] = matr_T[i,Var.Msp] # System of equation (Left Matrix)
719     matrix[Var.Msp,i] = matr_T[Var.Msp,i] # System of equation (Left Matrix)
720
721     for j in range (Var.Msp):
722         matrix[i,j] = matr_Q1[i,j] - matr_Q2[i,j] + lambda_t_1*matr_T[i,j]
723         # System of equation (Left Matrix)
724
725     rhs[Var.Msp,0] = Cs_T_r + (abs(T_fr_P))/Var.rho
726     # Total thrust required (Required + Skin Friction Drag Propeller)
727     matrix[Var.Msp,Var.Msp] = 0.0
728
729 # SOLVE THE SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS
730
731 rhs = np.linalg.solve(matrix, rhs) #it solves the system of equations
732 #Computes the "exact solution, x, of the well-determined, i.e.,
733 # full rank, linear matrix equation ax = b.
734
735 # CONVERGENS OF THE SYSTEM
736
737 res_0 = 0.0
738 # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
739 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
740     res_1 = abs(1-Gamma_TE_P[i]/rhs[i,0])
741
742     if res_1 > res_0:
743         res_0 = res_1
744         Gamma_TE_P[i] = rhs[i,0] # New values of circulation
745 with open ("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
746     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
747         file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
748
749 print('Iteration Propeller Number: {}'.format(iteration), 'Circulation on the propeller at the TE:')
750
751 for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
752     print (i,Gamma_TE_P[i])
753
754 for i in range (Var.Msp):
755     j = (i)*Var.Nch
756
757     xx,xy,xz,xl,yl,zl = Mid_Vect_Propeller(j,3)
758     #This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint px,py,pz
759
760     R_Circ_P[i] = np.sqrt(xy*xy + xz*xz)
761     R_Circ_P_R[i] = R_Circ_P[i]/Var.Rad_P

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762     Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i] = (Gamma_TE_P[i]*100)/(np.pi*2*Var.Rad_P*Var.V_Ship)
763
764
765     with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE.txt","w") as file:
766         file.write("    Gamma_Dim    Gamma_No_Dim    Radius\n")
767         for i in range (Var.Msp):
768             file.write(f"    {Gamma_TE_P[i]}    {Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i]}    {R_Circ_P[i]}\n")
769
770
771     with open ("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt","w") as file:
772         for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
773             file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]}\n")
774
775     with open("output/Propeller_Print_Gamma_TE.txt","w") as file:
776         for i in range(Var.Msp):
777             file.write(f"    {Gamma_TE_P_No_dim[i]}\n")
778
779     with open("output/Propeller_Print_Radius_TE.txt","w") as file:
780         for i in range(Var.Msp):
781             file.write(f"    {R_Circ_P_R[i]}\n")
782
783     # DISTRIBUTION OF CIRCULATION AT THE REST OF THE BLADE
784
785     for i in range(Var.Msp):
786         npl_TE = i * Var.Nch
787         Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE] = Gamma_TE_P[i]
788
789         for j in range (1,Var.Nch):
790             npl = j + i * Var.Nch
791             Gamma_Panel_P [npl] = Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE] * Weight_P[i,j]
792
793     with open ("output/Propeller_Gamma_Blade.txt","w") as file:
794         file.write("    Panel    Gamma\n")
795         for i in range(Var.Msp*Var.Nch):
796             file.write(f"    {i:3d}    {Gamma_Panel_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
797
798     # ALIGNMENT OF THE WAKE
799
800     pitch_0 = pitch()
801
802     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
803         i_1 = i+i *(Var.N_P_L)
804         pitch_0[i] = Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2]
805         # I need to save the old value of the pitch in order
806         # to evaluate the residual for the pitch distribution
807
808     Points_Trans_Wake_P, Grid_Points_P, Control_Points_P = Align_Wake_Propeller()
809     res_0 = 0.0 # Initialization of the residual
810
811     # Loop used to check if the residual is below a certain small limit
812     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
813         i_1 = i + i*(Var.N_P_L)
814         res_1 = abs(1 - (Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2] / pitch_0[i]))
815         if res_1 > res_0:
816             res_0 = res_1
817
818     break
819
820     return Gamma_TE_P_No_dim, R_Circ_P_R

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1     """
2     Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3     Author: Lisa Martinez
4     Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the advance ratio.
7     """
8
9
10    import sources.Variables as Var
11    import numpy as np
12
13
14    def Advance_Ratio_J():
15
16        r_R_P,X_P,Skew_P,Chord_P,Thick_P = np.loadtxt("input/grid.txt", unpack=True)
17        U_0_P, U_R_P, U_T_P = np.loadtxt("input/onset.txt", unpack=True)
18
19        n_0 = 50 # Number of intervals (It is used to find the "step length" for the composite Simpson's rule)
20        n_1 = n_0 # Number of approximation values of the integral for the composite Simpson's rule
21        h = (Var.Rad_P - Var.R_Hub_P)/n_0 # "step length"
22        r_tmp = Var.R_Hub_P # Initial value for the radius r
23
24        Ua_tmp = 0 # Initialization of the approximation of the integral
25        j = 1 # First value of j
26
27        for i in range(n_1+1):
28            j = - j # Simpson's rule used in order to solve the integral
29            Simpson = 3 + float(j) # It used to have 2 or 4 in the composite Simpson's rule
30            # This value is 2 or 4
31            if(i == 0 or i == n_1):
32                Simpson = 1 # This if is used to have 1 as coefficient if we are considering the first
33                # or the last value of the integral
34
35            Ux_tmp = np.interp(r_tmp,r_R_P,U_0_P)
36            # Linear interpolation used to find the value of the axial velocity
37            Ua_tmp = Ua_tmp + (Ux_tmp * r_tmp) * Simpson
38            # Composite Simpson's rule
39            r_tmp = r_tmp + h
40
41        # Advance velocity
42        U_adv = 2 * h * Ua_tmp / (3*(Var.Rad_P**2 - Var.R_Hub_P**2))
43        # Advance ratio

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42 Advance_ratio = (U_adv * np.pi) / (Var.Omega * Var.Rad_P)
43 # Wake fraction
44 w_eff = 1 - U_adv/Var.V_Ship
45
46 if (w_eff < 1.0 - 10):
47     w_eff = 0
48
49 # Open the file for writing
50 with open("output/Propeller_Hydrodynamic_Characteristics.txt", "w") as file:
51     # Write the header line
52     file.write("{:2s}{:16s}{:4s}{:13s}{:4s}{:13s}\n".format("", "Advance velocity", "", "Advance ratio", "", "Wake fraction"))
53     file.write("{:3s}{:13.9f}{:5s}{:13.9f}{:4s}{:13.9f}\n".format("", U_adv, "", Advance_ratio, "", w_eff))
54 return Advance_ratio
55
56 Advance_ratio = Advance_Ratio_J()
57

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1  """
2  Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3  Author: Lisa Martinez
4  Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6  Description: This subroutine contains a subroutine designed for optimizing
7  propeller flow through the generation of a new grid. It calculates induced
8  velocities at control points on mid-chord panels to determine a new beta
9  angle. This is crucial for the calculation of a new pitch, necessary for
10 grid generation. Pitch is interpolated at control points, with both blades
11 and trailers sharing the same pitch.
12 """
13
14
15 import sources.Variables as Var
16 import numpy as np
17 from sources.Weight_Function_Propeller_P import Weight_function_propeller
18 from sources.Induced_Grid_Propeller_P import Induced_Grid_Propeller
19 from sources.Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_Align import Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_Align
20 from sources.Trailing_Vortices_Propeller_P import Trailing_Vortices_Propeller
21
22
23 def Align_Wake_Propeller():
24
25     Grid_Points_P = np.zeros(((Var.Msp + 1) * (Var.Nch + 1), 3))
26     Control_Points_P = np.zeros(((Var.Msp) * (Var.Nch), 3))
27     Radius_cp_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp + 1))
28     r_R_P,X_P,Skew_P,Chord_P,Thick_P = np.loadtxt("input/grid.txt", unpack= True)
29     U_0_P, U_R_P, U_T_P = np.loadtxt("input/onset.txt",unpack=True)
30     Gamma_TE_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt")
31     Control_Points_P = np.loadtxt('output/Propeller_Control_Points.txt')
32     t_gp_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_t_gp.txt", skiprows = 1)
33     t_cp_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_t_cp.txt", skiprows = 1)
34     s_gp_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_s_gp.txt", skiprows = 1)
35     s_cp_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_s_cp.txt", skiprows = 1)
36     Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()
37     N_Bound_Vortex_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_N_Bound_Vortex.txt",dtype= 'int')
38     N_Bound_Vortex_P = N_Bound_Vortex_P.reshape((Var.Msp+1, 1))
39     data_matrix = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points_geom.txt")
40     Radius_gp_P = data_matrix[:, 0]
41     Chord_P_gp = data_matrix[:, 1]
42     Rake_P_gp = data_matrix[:, 2]
43     Skew_P_gp = data_matrix[:, 3]
44     data_matrix = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Control_Points_geom.txt")
45     Chord_P_cp = data_matrix[:, 0]
46     Rake_P_cp = data_matrix[:, 1]
47     Skew_P_cp = data_matrix[:, 2]
48
49     # SUBROUTINE
50     r_cp = np.zeros(Var.Msp) # Radius in the control points of the propeller where the new pitch is computed
51     tan_beta = np.zeros(Var.Msp)
52     beta = np.zeros(Var.Msp)
53     pitch_cp = np.zeros(Var.Msp)
54     pitch_gp = np.zeros(Var.Msp+1)
55     sin_b = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
56     cos_b = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
57     Theta_gp_P = np.zeros(Var.Nch + 1)
58     Theta_cp_P = np.zeros(Var.Nch + 1)
59
60     mid_point = (Var.Nch//2 + 1)
61
62     # Loop used to select the closest control points to the midchord line (Chordwise)
63     for j in range(Var.Msp):
64         mid_point_cp = (mid_point + j * Var.Nch) -1
65
66         p_x_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,0] # X coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
67         p_y_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,1] # Y coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
68         p_z_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,2] # Z coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
69
70         r_cp[j] = np.sqrt(p_y_mdp**2 + p_z_mdp**2)
71         # Radius for the chosen control point of the propeller
72
73         # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE PANELS OF THE PROPELLER
74
75         # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity
76         # from the panels of the propeller (x), (y), (z)
77         u_x_panels = 0
78         u_y_panels = 0
79         u_z_panels = 0
80
81         # Loop used to select the spanwise level that induces velocity
82         # on the control points of the propeller

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83 for n in range (Var.Msp):
84
85     # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced
86     # velocity from the panels of the propeller (x), (y), (z)
87     u_x_panels_0 = 0
88     u_y_panels_0 = 0
89     u_z_panels_0 = 0
90
91     # Loop used to select the panel that induces velocity
92     # on the control points of the propeller
93     for m in range (Var.Nch):
94         npl = m + n * Var.Nch
95
96         u_x_temp,u_y_temp,u_z_temp = Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_Align(npl,0,0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
97         # Induced velocity from the selected panel on
98         # the chosen control point of the propeller - No bound vortex
99
100        u_x_panels_0 = u_x_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_x_temp
101        # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity
102        # from the panels of the propeller (x)
103        u_y_panels_0 = u_y_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_y_temp
104        # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity
105        # from the panels of the propeller (y)
106        u_z_panels_0 = u_z_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_z_temp
107        # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity
108        # from the panels of the propeller (z)
109
110        u_x_panels = u_x_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_x_panels_0      # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
111        u_y_panels = u_y_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_y_panels_0      # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
112        u_z_panels = u_z_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_z_panels_0      # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
113
114    # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE HORSESHOE VORTEX OF THE PROPELLER
115
116    u_x_trail = 0
117    # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity
118    # from the trailing vortices of the propeller (x)
119    u_y_trail = 0
120    # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity
121    # from the trailing vortices of the propeller (y)
122    u_z_trail = 0
123    # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity
124    # from the trailing vortices of the propeller (z)
125
126    u_x_trail_1,u_y_trail_1,u_z_trail_1 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
127    # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from
128    # the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex of the propeller (First)
129
130    for n in range (Var.Msp):          # Loop used to select the trailing vortex that induces velocity
131        n_1 = n + 1                    # on the control points of the propeller
132        n_2 = (n+1) * (Var.Nch+1)
133
134        u_x_trail_2,u_y_trail_2,u_z_trail_2 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(n_1,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
135        # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite
136        # helicoidal vortex of the propeller (Second) selected of the propeller
137
138        u_x_trail = u_x_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_x_trail_1 - u_x_trail_2)
139        # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (x)
140        # No bound vortex
141        u_y_trail = u_y_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_y_trail_1 - u_y_trail_2)
142        # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (y)
143        # No bound vortex
144        u_z_trail = u_z_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_z_trail_1 - u_z_trail_2)
145        # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (z)
146        # No bound vortex
147
148        u_x_trail_1 = u_x_trail_2      # For the next loop
149        u_y_trail_1 = u_y_trail_2      # For the next loop
150        u_z_trail_1 = u_z_trail_2      # For the next loop
151
152    # TOTAL INDUCED VELOCITY
153
154    u_x_tot = u_x_trail + u_x_panels    # Total induced velocity on the propeller (x)
155    u_y_tot = u_y_trail + u_y_panels    # Total induced velocity on the propeller (y)
156    u_z_tot = u_z_trail + u_z_panels    # Total induced velocity on the propeller (z)
157
158    # BETA AND PITCH AT THE CONTROL POINTS
159
160    cos_theta = p_z_mdp / r_cp[j]
161    sin_theta = p_y_mdp / r_cp[j]
162
163    U_T_P_tot = - u_y_tot * cos_theta + u_z_tot * sin_theta
164    # Total tangential induced velocity in the control points of the propeller
165
166    U_0_P_beta = np.interp(r_cp[j],r_R_P,U_0_P)      # Wake (Axial) in the control points (s)
167    U_T_P_beta = np.interp(r_cp[j],r_R_P,U_T_P)      # Wake (Tangential) in the control points (s)
168
169    tan_beta[j] = abs(-U_0_P_beta + u_x_tot)/(Var.Omega * r_cp[j] - U_T_P_tot - U_T_P_beta)      # New tangent beta
170
171    beta[j] = np.arctan(tan_beta[j])
172
173    pitch_cp[j] = tan_beta[j] * 2 * np.pi * r_cp[j]
174
175    with open("output/Propeller_Pitch_Control_Points.txt","w") as file:
176        file.write(" Spanw.      Radius      Pitch/D\n")
177        for j in range (Var.Msp):
178            file.write(f" {j:3d}      {r_cp[j]:13.9f}      {pitch_cp[j]/(Var.Rad_P*2):13.9f}\n")
179
180    with open ("output/Propeller_Beta.txt","w") as file:
181        file.write("      Radius      Beta\n")
182        for j in range (Var.Msp):
183            file.write(f" {j:13.9f}{:3s}{:13.9f}\n".format(r_cp[j],"", np.arctan(tan_beta[j])))
184

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185 # INTERPOLATION OF THE PITCH
186
187 if Var.Msp == 0:
188     pitch_cp[Var.Msp-1] = 0
189
190 # This loop is used to find the values of the pitch in the grid points
191 # of the propeller (No tip - No Hub)
192 for i in range(1,Var.Msp):
193     pitch_gp[i] = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],s_cp_P,pitch_cp)
194
195 pitch_gp[0] = (pitch_cp[1] - pitch_cp[0])/(s_cp_P[1]-s_cp_P[0])*(s_gp_P[0] - s_cp_P[0]) + pitch_cp[0] # Pitch at the hub
196
197 pitch_gp[Var.Msp] = (pitch_cp[Var.Msp-1] - pitch_cp[Var.Msp-2])/(s_cp_P[Var.Msp-1] - s_cp_P[Var.Msp - 2]) # Pitch at the tip
198 *(s_gp_P[Var.Msp] - s_cp_P[Var.Msp - 2]) + pitch_cp[Var.Msp - 2]
199
200 with open("output/Propeller_Pitch_Grid_Points.txt","w") as file:
201     file.write(" Spanw.      Pitch\n")
202
203     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
204         file.write(f" {i:3d}{pitch_gp[i]:13.9f}\n")
205
206 # GRID POINTS MATRIX - CALCULATION OF BETA(S(R)),CHORD(S),SKEW(S) AND RAKE(S)
207
208 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
209
210     ipl = ((i+1)*(Var.Nch+1))-(Var.Nch+1)
211     # Counter used to order the Grid Points Matrix
212     p_ref_gp = np.sqrt(pitch_gp[i]**2 + (2*np.pi*Radius_gp_P[i])**2)
213     # Reference pitch (It has only a radial variation)
214     sin_b[i] = pitch_gp[i]/p_ref_gp
215     # sin(beta)
216     cos_b[i] = 2*np.pi*Radius_gp_P[i]/p_ref_gp
217     # cos(beta)
218     for j in range(Var.Nch+1):
219
220         npl = (j) + ipl # Second counter to order the Grid Points Matrix
221         Theta_gp_P[j] = -Skew_P_gp[i] + (t_gp_P[j] * Chord_P_gp[i] * cos_b[i]) / Radius_gp_P[i]
222
223         # X(s,t)
224         Grid_Points_P[npl, 0] = Rake_P_gp[i] + Chord_P_gp[i] * sin_b[i] * t_gp_P[j]
225         # Y(s,t)
226         Grid_Points_P[npl, 1] = - Radius_gp_P[i] * np.sin(Theta_gp_P[j])
227         # Z(s,t)
228         Grid_Points_P[npl, 2] = Radius_gp_P[i] * np.cos(Theta_gp_P[j])
229
230 with open('output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt', 'w') as file:
231     for i in range((Var.Nch + 1) * (Var.Msp + 1)):
232         file.write(f" {Grid_Points_P[i, 0]:.9f}      {Grid_Points_P[i, 1]:.9f}      {Grid_Points_P[i, 2]:.9f}\n")
233
234 # GRID CONTROL POINTS MATRIX - CALCULATION OF BETA(S(R)),CHORD(S),SKEW(S) AND RAKE(S)
235
236 for i in range(Var.Msp): # Counter used to order the Grid Control Points Matrix
237     ipl = ((i+1)*(Var.Nch))-(Var.Nch)
238
239     Radius_cp_P[i] = 0.5 * (Radius_gp_P[i] + Radius_gp_P[i+1])
240
241     p_ref_gp = np.sqrt(pitch_cp[i]**2 + (2*np.pi*Radius_cp_P[i])**2) # Reference pitch (It has only a radial variation)
242
243     sin_b[i] = pitch_cp[i]/p_ref_gp # sin(beta)
244     cos_b[i] = 2*np.pi*Radius_cp_P[i]/p_ref_gp # cos(beta)
245
246     for j in range(Var.Nch): # t Loop
247         npl = (j) + ipl # Second counter to order the Grid Points Matrix
248         Theta_cp_P[j] = - Skew_P_cp[i] + (t_cp_P[j] * Chord_P_cp[i] * cos_b[i]) / Radius_cp_P[i]
249
250         # X(s,t)
251         Control_Points_P[npl, 0] = Rake_P_cp[i] + Chord_P_cp[i] * sin_b[i] * t_cp_P[j]
252         # Y(s,t)
253         Control_Points_P[npl, 1] = - Radius_cp_P[i] * np.sin(Theta_cp_P[j])
254         # Z(s,t)
255         Control_Points_P[npl, 2] = Radius_cp_P[i] * np.cos(Theta_cp_P[j])
256
257 with open('output/Propeller_Control_Points.txt', 'w') as file:
258     for i in range((Var.Nch) * (Var.Msp)):
259         file.write(f"{Control_Points_P[i, 0]:13.9f}      {Control_Points_P[i, 1]:13.9f}      {Control_Points_P[i, 2]:13.9f}\n")
260
261 # CREATION OF THE TRANSITION WAKE (STRAIGHT LINE VORTICES)
262
263 Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.zeros((((Var.N_P_L+1)*(Var.Msp+1)),3))
264
265 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
266     i_1 = i*(Var.N_P_L)
267
268     x_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],0] # X value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
269     y_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],1] # Y value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
270     z_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],2] # Z value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
271
272     pitch_trans_wake = pitch_gp[i] # Pitch at the T.E. (It has only a radial variation)
273
274     r_trans_wake = np.sqrt(y_trans_wake**2 + z_trans_wake**2) # Radius at the T.E.
275
276     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,0] = x_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (x) - T.E
277     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,1] = r_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (radius) - T.E
278     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2] = pitch_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (pitch) - T.E
279
280     delta_trans_wake = (-4 * Var.Rad_P - x_trans_wake)/(Var.N_P_L) # The transition wake goes four radii downstream
281
282     for j in range(Var.N_P_L): # Loop used to divide the transition wake in N_P_L parts (N_P_L+1 points)
283         i_2 = (i_1) + j+1
284
285         # Grid points for the transition wake
286         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,0] = x_trans_wake + (j+1) * delta_trans_wake # (x)

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287         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,1] = r_trans_wake           # (radius)
288         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,2] = pitch_trans_wake       # (pitch)
289
290     with open("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt", "w") as file:
291         file.write(f"{'Point':<8}{ 'x':<12}{ 'r':<20}{ 'p':<20}\n")
292         for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
293             i_1 = i+i*(Var.N_P_L)
294             file.write(f"{'i':<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1 ,1]:13.9f}"
295                       f"{'Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2]:13.9f}\n")
296
297         for j in range(Var.N_P_L):
298             i_2 = (i_1) + j+1
299             file.write(f"{'i':<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,1]:13.9f}"
300                       f"{'Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,2]:13.9f}\n")
301
302     return Points_Trans_Wake_P, Grid_Points_P, Control_Points_P

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1     """
2     Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
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4     Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the area of a panel given its four
7     points.
8     """
9
10
11     import numpy as np
12
13
14     def Area_Panel(x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2, x_3, y_3, z_3, x_4, y_4, z_4):
15
16
17         s = 0                               # Initialization of the variable
18
19         b_1 = x_4 - x_1                       # X value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
20         b_2 = y_4 - y_1                       # Y value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
21         b_3 = z_4 - z_1                       # Z value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
22
23         e_1 = x_3 - x_1                       # First side (x)
24         e_2 = y_3 - y_1                       # First side (y)
25         e_3 = z_3 - z_1                       # First side (z)
26
27         f_1 = x_2 - x_1                       # Second side (x)
28         f_2 = y_2 - y_1                       # Second side (y)
29         f_3 = z_2 - z_1                       # Second side (z)
30
31         s_11 = f_2*b_3 - f_3*b_2              # X component of the first cross product
32         s_12 = b_1*f_3 - f_1*b_3              # Y component of the first cross product
33         s_13 = f_1*b_2 - f_2*b_1              # Z component of the first cross product
34
35         s_21 = b_2*e_3 - b_3*e_2              # X component of the second cross product
36         s_22 = e_1*b_3 - b_1*e_3              # Y component of the second cross product
37         s_23 = b_1*e_2 - b_2*e_1              # Z component of the second cross product
38
39         s = 0.5*(np.sqrt(s_11**2 + s_12**2 + s_13**2) + np.sqrt(s_21**2 + s_22**2 + s_23**2)) #Area of the panel
40
41     return (s)

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5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the velocities Ux, Uy, Uz from a line
7     element (x1,y1,z1) to (x2,y2,z2) at the point (px,py,pz) using Biot-Savart's
8     law. The process applies to all blades of the propeller. Given the propeller's
9     symmetry, only the point on the reference blade is needed. The induced velocity
10    from the vortex is calculated with a unit circulation.
11    """
12
13
14    import numpy as np
15
16
17    def Biot_Savart_Propeller(I_z, x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2, px, py, pz):
18
19        U_x, U_y, U_z = 0.0, 0.0, 0.0
20
21        d_theta = (2*np.pi)/float(I_z) # Angle between the blades
22        theta = 0.0 # Angle for the first blade
23
24        a_x = x_2 - x_1
25        d_y = y_2 - y_1
26        d_z = z_2 - z_1
27
28        b_x = px - x_2
29        c_x = px - x_1
30
31        for i in range(I_z):
32            cos_theta = np.cos(theta)
33            sin_theta = np.sin(theta)
34
35            a_y = d_y * cos_theta - d_z * sin_theta
36            a_z = d_z * cos_theta + d_y * sin_theta
37
38            b_y = py - y_2 * cos_theta + z_2 * sin_theta
39            b_z = pz - z_2 * cos_theta - y_2 * sin_theta

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39
40     c_y = py - y_1 * cos_theta + z_1 * sin_theta
41     c_z = pz - z_1 * cos_theta - y_1 * sin_theta
42
43     a_length = np.sqrt(a_x*a_x + a_y*a_y + a_z*a_z) # Lenght a
44     b_length = np.sqrt(b_x*b_x + b_y*b_y + b_z*b_z) # Lenght b
45     c_length = np.sqrt(c_x*c_x + c_y*c_y + c_z*c_z) # Lenght c
46
47     a_c = a_x*c_x + a_y*c_y + a_z*c_z # Dot product a.c (e)
48     a_b = a_x*b_x + a_y*b_y + a_z*b_z # Dot product a.b (c-e)
49
50     ac_x = a_y*c_z - a_z*c_y # X component of the cross product a^c
51     ac_y = a_z*c_x - a_x*c_z # Y component of the cross product a^c
52     ac_z = a_x*c_y - a_y*c_x # Z component of the cross product a^c
53
54     acLen2 = ac_x*ac_x + ac_y*ac_y + ac_z*ac_z
55     acLen = np.sqrt(acLen2) # Module of the cross product a^c
56
57     # This if is used to check the distance between the selected point and
58     # the side. If they are too close we have to skip it
59     if a_length != 0 and (acLen / a_length) > 1*10**(-5):
60
61         cstac = a_c/c_length # e/c
62         cstab = a_b/b_length # a-e / b
63         cstv = 1.0 / (4.0 * np.pi * acLen2)
64         cstv1 = cstv*cstac - cstv*cstab
65
66         U_x = U_x + ac_x * cstv1 # Induced Velocity (x)
67         U_y = U_y + ac_y * cstv1 # Induced Velocity (y)
68         U_z = U_z + ac_z * cstv1 # Induced Velocity (z)
69
70     theta = theta + d_theta
71
72     return (U_x, U_y, U_z)

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1     """
2     Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
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5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the Ci-function used in 'De_Jong' by
7     rational approximations.
8     """
9
10
11     import numpy as np
12
13
14     def Ci(xbar):
15
16
17         f = (xbar**8+38.027264*xbar**6+265.187033*xbar**4+335.677320*xbar**2+38.102495)/(
18             xbar**8+40.021433*xbar**6+322.624911*xbar**4+570.236280*xbar**2+157.105423)/xbar
19
20         g = (xbar**8+42.242855*xbar**6+302.757865*xbar**4+352.018498*xbar**2+21.821899)/(
21             xbar**8+48.196927*xbar**6+482.485984*xbar**4+1114.978885*xbar**2+449.690326)/xbar**2
22
23         Cires=f*np.sin(xbar)-g*np.cos(xbar)
24
25     return(Cires)

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5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the induced velocities Ux,Uy,Uz from a
7     semi infinitely vortex in the point px,py,pz. The calculations are made for 1
8     blade. The routine uses the helix radius r, pitch p and longitudinal starting
9     point x as input. The vortex starts at -infinity and stops at -x. The
10    calculations follows the procedure outlined by de Jong.
11    """
12
13
14    import numpy as np
15
16
17    def De_Jong(x, r, p, phi, px, py, pz):
18
19        from sources.Ci_P import Ci
20        from sources.Si_P import si
21
22        Ux = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_x
23        Uy = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_y
24        Uz = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_z
25
26        # CONSTANTS
27
28        pbar=2*np.pi/p
29        xbar=pbar*x
30        x2bar=2*xbar
31        xtld=pbar*px
32        x2tld=2*xtld
33
34        xsum=xbar+xtld
35        xsum2=2*xsum*xsum
36        xsum3=1.5*xsum2*xsum

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37     xsum4=xsum2*xsum2
38
39     x2sum=2*xsum
40     x2sum2=2*x2sum*x2sum
41     x2sum3=1.5*x2sum2*x2sum
42     x2sum4=x2sum2*x2sum2
43
44     r2=r*r
45     py2=py*py
46     pz2=pz*pz
47     rbar=r2+py2+pz2
48     p2=pbar*pbar
49     p3r2=p2*r2*pbar
50     p4r2=3*p3r2*pbar
51     p5r2=p4r2*pbar
52     p2x2=p2/xsum2
53     p4rb=3*p2*p2*rbar/xsum4
54
55     cxtld=np.cos(xtld)
56     sxtld=np.sin(xtld)
57     cx2tld=np.cos(x2tld)
58     sx2tld=np.sin(x2tld)
59     cxbar=np.cos(xbar)
60     sxbar=np.sin(xbar)
61     cx2bar=np.cos(x2bar)
62     sx2bar=np.sin(x2bar)
63     cxbar2=cxbar*cxbar
64     sxbar2=sxbar*sxbar
65
66     cphi=np.cos(phi)
67     sphi=np.sin(phi)
68     cphi2=cphi*cphi
69     sphi2=sphi*sphi
70     phi2=2*phi
71     c2phi=np.cos(phi2)
72     s2phi=np.sin(phi2)
73
74     Ci1 = Ci(xsum)
75     Ci2 = Ci(x2sum)
76     si1 = si(xsum)
77     si2 = si(x2sum)
78
79     cos11 = -cxtld*Ci1-sxtld*si1
80     cos112 = -cx2tld*Ci2-sx2tld*si2
81
82     sin11 = sxtld*Ci1-cxtld*si1
83     sin112 = sx2tld*Ci2-cx2tld*si2
84
85     cos12 = cxbar/xsum-sin11
86     cos122 = cx2bar/x2sum-sin112
87
88     sin12 = sxbar/xsum+cos11
89     sin122 = sx2bar/x2sum+cos112
90
91     cos13 = cxbar/xsum2-0.5*sin12
92     cos132 = cx2bar/x2sum2-0.5*sin122
93
94     sin13 = sxbar/xsum2+0.5*cos12
95     sin132 = sx2bar/x2sum2+0.5*cos122
96
97     cos23 = cxbar2/xsum2-sin122
98     sin23 = sxbar2/xsum2+sin122
99
100    cos14 = cxbar/xsum3-sin13/3
101    cos142 = cx2bar/x2sum3-sin132/3
102
103    sin14 = sxbar/xsum3+cos13/3
104    sin142 = sx2bar/x2sum3+cos132/3
105
106    cos24 = cxbar2/xsum3-4*sin132/3
107
108    sin24 = sxbar2/xsum3+4*sin132/3
109
110    cos15 = cxbar/xsum4-0.25*sin14
111    cos152 = cx2bar/x2sum4-0.25*sin142
112
113    sin15 = sxbar/xsum4+0.25*cos14
114    sin152 = sx2bar/x2sum4+0.25*cos142
115
116    cos25 = cxbar2/xsum4-2*sin142
117    sin25 = sxbar2/xsum4+2*sin142
118
119    # CALCULATION OF UX
120
121    p3 = p2*pbar
122    p4 = p3*pbar
123    p5 = p4*pbar
124    rbar3r = rbar+2*r2
125
126    c0 = -p5r2*rbar/xsum4/2+p3r2/xsum2
127    c1 = -p3*r*pz
128    c2 = -p3*r*py
129    c3 = 3*p5*r*pz*rbar3r/2
130    c4 = 3*p5*r*py*rbar3r/2
131    c5 = -p5r2*pz2
132    c6 = -p5r2*py2
133    c7 = -16*p5r2*py*pz
134
135    Ux = (c0+(c1*cphi-c2*sphi)*cos13 + (c2*cphi+c1*sphi)*sin13 + (c3*cphi-c4*sphi)*cos15+(c4*cphi+c3*sphi)*sin15 +
136          (c5*cphi2+c6*sphi2)*cos25 + (c6*cphi2+c5*sphi2)*sin25 + ((c5-c6)*8*s2phi+c7*c2phi)*sin152 - c7*s2phi*cos152)/4/np.pi
137
138    # CALCULATION OF UY

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139 d0 = -p2*pz/xsum2+1.5*p4*pz*rbar/xsum4
140 d1 = p2*r
141 d2 = d1
142 d3 = -3*p4*r*rbar/2
143 d4 = 4*p4r2*pz
144 d5 = p4r2*py
145 d6 = -3*p4*r*py*pz
146 d7 = 8*p4r2*py
147 d8 = -3*p4*r*(py2+3*pz2+r2)/2
148 d9 = p4r2*pz
149
150
151 Uy = (d0+d1*cphi*cos13+d1*sphi*sin13+(d8*cphi-d6*sphi)*cos15 + (d8*sphi+d6*cphi)*sin15+0.25*d4*cphi*cphi*cos25 +
152 0.25*d4*sphi*sphi*sin25 + (8*d5*c2phi+2*d4*s2phi)*sin152 - d7*s2phi*cos152-d1*sphi*cos12+d1*cphi*sin12-
153 d3*sphi*cos14 + d3*cphi*sin14+d5*sphi*sphi*cos24+d5*cphi*cphi*sin24 + (d4*c2phi-0.5*d7*s2phi)*sin142-
154 d4*s2phi*cos142)/4/np.pi
155
156 # CALCULATION OF UZ
157
158 e0 = p2*py/xsum2-1.5*p4*py*rbar/xsum4
159 e1 = p2*r
160 e2 = -e1
161 e3 = -3*p4*r*rbar/2
162 e4 = 4*p4r2*py
163 e5 = p4r2*pz
164 e6 = 3*p4*r*py*pz
165 e7 = 3*p4*r*(3*py2+pz2+r2)/2
166 e8 = -8*p4r2*pz
167 e9 = -p4r2*py
168
169 Uz = (e0+e1*cphi*cos12+e1*sphi*sin12+e1*sphi*cos13-e1*cphi*sin13 + e3*cphi*cos14+e3*sphi*sin14+
170 (e4*c2phi-0.5*e8*s2phi)*sin142 - e4*s2phi*cos142+e5*cphi*cphi*cos24+e5*sphi*sphi*sin24 -
171 e7*sphi*cos15+e7*cphi*sin15+e6*cphi*cos15+e6*sphi*sin15 - e8*s2phi*cos152+
172 (2*e4*s2phi+e8*c2phi)*sin152 + e9*sphi*sphi*cos25+e9*cphi*cphi*sin25)/4/np.pi
173
174 return (Ux,Uy,Uz)

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5
6 Description: This function computes the propeller efficiency.
7 """
8
9
10 import sources.Variables as Var
11 import numpy as np
12 from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
13 from sources.Weight_Function_Propeller_P import Weight_function_propeller
14 from sources.Skin_Friction_Drag_P import Skin_Friction_Drag
15 from sources.Advance_Ratio_P import Advance_Ratio_J
16
17
18 def Efficiency():
19
20     I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
21     Panel, Gamma_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Gamma_Blade.txt",skiprows = 1,unpack= True)
22     T_fr_P, Q_fr_P = Skin_Friction_Drag()
23     Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()
24     V_Tot_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Velocity_Total.txt", skiprows=2, usecols= (2,3,4))
25     V_Tot_P = np.reshape(V_Tot_P, (I_P_Points_P, 4, 3))
26     Advance_ratio = Advance_Ratio_J()
27
28     # THRUST AND TORQUE (WITHOUT SKIN FRICTION DRAG)
29
30     Thr = 0
31     Tor = 0
32
33     T_tot_P = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate T
34     Tor_tot_P = 0
35
36     Q1_tot = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q1
37     Q2_tot = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q2
38
39     for m in range (Var.Msp): # Spanwise loop
40         npl_TE = (m-1)*Var.Nch
41
42         T_0 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate T
43         Q_10 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q1
44         Q_20 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q2
45
46         for n in range (Var.Nch): # Chordwise loop
47             npl = n + (m-1)*Var.Nch
48
49             T_00 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate T
50             Q_100 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q1
51             Q_200 = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate Q2
52
53             for k in range (4): # Panel loop
54                 xkx,xky,xkz,xlk,ylk,zlk = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl,k)
55                 # This subroutine is used to calculate the characteristics of the side k panel npl
56
57                 T_00 = T_00 + zlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,1] - ylk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,2]
58                 # Thrust generated by side k panel npl without taking into account of the weight function
59
60                 Q_100 = Q_100 + xky*ylk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,0] - xky*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,1]
61                 #Torque Q1 generated by side k panel npl without taking into account of the weight function
62

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63     Q_200 = Q_200 + xkz*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,2] - xkz*zlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,0]
64     #Torque Q2 generated by side k panel npl without taking into account of the weight function
65
66     T_0 = T_0 + Weight_P[m,n] * T_00
67     # Thrust generated by the panel npl taking into account of the weight function
68     Q_10 = Q_10 + Weight_P[m,n] * Q_100
69     # Torque Q1 generated by the panel npl taking into account of the weight function
70     Q_20 = Q_20 + Weight_P[m,n] * Q_200
71     # Torque Q2 generated by the panel npl taking into account of the weight function
72
73     xkx,xky,xkz,xlk,ylk,zlk = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl_TE,3)
74
75     T_tot_P = T_tot_P + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*T_0 - Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE
76 ]*zlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,1] + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*ylk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,2] # No thrust generated by T.E. side
77
78     Q1_tot = Q1_tot + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*Q_10 - Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE
79 ]*xky*ylk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,0] + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*xky*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,1] # No torque generated by T.E. side
80
81     Q2_tot = Q2_tot + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*Q_20 - Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE
82 ]*xkz*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,2] + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*xkz*zlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,0] # No torque generated by T.E. side
83
84     # EFFICIENCY
85
86     Thr = Var.rho*float(Var.Z_Blade_P)*T_tot_P + T_fr_P*Var.Z_Blade_P # Total thrust given by the propeller
87     Tor = Var.rho*float(Var.Z_Blade_P)*Q1_tot - Var.rho*float(Var.Z_Blade_P)*Q2_tot + Q_fr_P*Var.Z_Blade_P
88     # Total torque given by the propeller
89
90     K_T = Thr / (Var.rho * (Var.Omega/(2*np.pi))**2 * (Var.Rad_P**2)**4) # Thrust coefficient
91
92     K_Q = Tor / (Var.rho * (Var.Omega/(2*np.pi))**2 * (Var.Rad_P**2)**5) # Torque coefficient
93
94     Eff = Advance_ratio * K_T / abs(2 * np.pi * K_Q) # Efficiency
95     C_th = Thr/(0.5*Var.rho*Var.V_Ship**2*np.pi*Var.Rad_P**2)
96
97     with open("output/Propeller_Efficiency.txt", mode='w') as file:
98         file.write("Efficiency\n")
99         file.write("{:13.9f}\n".format(Eff))
100
101     with open("output/Propeller_Forces.txt", mode='w') as file:
102         file.write("      K_T      K_Q      T      Q      Cth\n")
103         file.write("{:13.9f}  {:13.9f}  {:10.1f}  {:10.1f}  {:13.9f}\n".format(K_T, -K_Q, Thr, Tor, C_th))
104     return Eff, K_T, K_Q
105
106
107 Eff, K_T, K_Q = Efficiency()

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1     """
2     Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
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5
6     Description: This section is dedicated to the initialization of the variable
7     Gamma_TE_P.
8     """
9
10
11     import numpy as np
12     import sources.Variables as Var
13
14
15     def Gamma_It():
16
17         Gamma_TE_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1))
18
19         for j in range(Var.Msp+1):
20             Gamma_TE_P[j] = 0.0
21         Gamma_TE_P[Var.Msp] = -1 # lambda (t-1) initial
22         with open("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt", "w") as file:
23             for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
24                 file.write(f"{Gamma_TE_P[i]:13.9f}\n")
25         return Gamma_TE_P
26
27
28     Gamma_TE_P = Gamma_It()

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1     """
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5
6     Description: This subroutine is responsible for creating the initial grid for
7     the reference blade of the propeller, including Control Points & Grid Points.
8     Given the propeller's symmetry, generating the grid for the reference blade
9     alone suffices. Additionally, the subroutine undertakes the numbering of panels
10    and horseshoe vortices. Notably, the grid is aligned with the onset flow during
11    this phase.
12    """
13
14
15     import math
16     import numpy as np
17     import sources.Variables as Var
18     import pandas as pd
19
20
21     def Grid_Generation_Propeller():
22

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23 | r_R_P, X_P, Skew_P, Chord_P, Thick_P = np.loadtxt("input/grid.txt", unpack=True)
24 | U_0_P, U_R_P, U_T_P = np.loadtxt("input/onset.txt", unpack=True)
25 |
26 | """ MID-CHORD LINE """
27 |
28 | Midchord_line_P = np.zeros((Var.N_Iter,3)) # Create Matrix 3xN_Iter
29 | # Initial point (x, y, z)
30 | Midchord_line_P[0,0] = 0.0 # s line (x) - It begins at the hub-center but the first point is at the top of the hub
31 | Midchord_line_P[0,1] = 0.0 # s line (y) - It begins at the hub-center but the first point is at the top of the hub
32 | Midchord_line_P[0,2] = r_R_P[0] # s line (z) assuming that r_R_P contain the initial z values
33 |
34 | # Cartesian coordinates for the blade surface
35 | for i in range(1, Var.N_Iter):
36 |     Midchord_line_P[i, 0] = X_P[i] # x
37 |     Midchord_line_P[i, 1] = -r_R_P[i] * math.sin(Skew_P[i]) # y
38 |     Midchord_line_P[i, 2] = r_R_P[i] * math.cos(Skew_P[i]) # z
39 |
40 | s_tip = 0.0
41 | S_Distr_P = [0.0] * Var.N_Iter
42 | S_Distr_P[0] = math.sqrt(Midchord_line_P[0,1]**2 + Midchord_line_P[0,2]**2) # First value of the midchord line
43 | s_Hub_P = S_Distr_P[0]
44 |
45 | for i in range( Var.N_Iter - 1): # This loop is used to find the length of the s line
46 |     b = abs(Midchord_line_P[i+1,1])-abs(Midchord_line_P[i,1]) # Y Distance
47 |     c = abs(Midchord_line_P[i+1,2])-abs(Midchord_line_P[i,2]) #Z Distance
48 |     Prov = math.sqrt(b**2+c**2)
49 |     S_Distr_P[i+1] = S_Distr_P[i] + Prov # This is used to find the distribution of s, which is always constant
50 |
51 | s_tip = S_Distr_P[Var.N_Iter-1]
52 |
53 | data = np.column_stack([S_Distr_P, r_R_P])
54 | np.savetxt("output/Propeller_S_Distr.txt", data, fmt=['%13.9f','%13.9f'], delimiter=' ', header = ' S_Distr Radius')
55 |
56 | """ t FUNCTION """
57 |
58 | t_gp_P=np.array([0.0]*(Var.Nch+1)) #Initialise the variable
59 |
60 | for i in range(Var.Nch + 1):
61 |     t_gp_P[0] = -0.5
62 |     t_gp_P[i] = -0.5 * np.cos(float(i+1-1.5)*3.14159274/float(Var.Nch))
63 |     # (t) Grid points (always the same - it depends on Nch) - Cosine
64 |
65 | t_cp_P = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Nch),dtype=np.float64) #Initialise the variable
66 | for i in range (Var.Nch):
67 |     t_cp_P[i]= 0.5*(t_gp_P[i+1]+t_gp_P[i]) # (t) Control points (always the same - it depends on Nch) - Cosine
68 |
69 |
70 | data_t = np.column_stack([t_gp_P])
71 | np.savetxt("output/Propeller_t_gp.txt", data_t, fmt=['%13.9f'], delimiter=' ', header = 't_gp')
72 | data_t = np.column_stack([t_cp_P])
73 | np.savetxt("output/Propeller_t_cp.txt", data_t, fmt=['%13.9f'], delimiter=' ', header = 't_cp')
74 |
75 | """ s FUNCTION """
76 |
77 | s_gp_P = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Msp+1),dtype=np.float64) # (s) Grid points (always the same - it depends on Msp)
78 | for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
79 |     aa = (i+1)*4.0 - 3.0 #Start with point after 0
80 |     bb = 4.0*float(Var.Msp) + 2.0
81 |     s_gp_P[i] = ((aa/bb)*(s_tip - s_Hub_P))+s_Hub_P
82 |
83 | s_cp_P = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Msp),dtype=np.float64) # (s) Control points (always the same - it depends on Msp)
84 | for i in range(0,Var.Msp):
85 |     s_cp_P[i] = 0.5 * (s_gp_P[i] + s_gp_P[i+1])
86 |
87 | data_s = np.column_stack([s_gp_P])
88 | np.savetxt("output/Propeller_s_gp.txt", data_s, fmt=['%13.9f'], delimiter=' ', header = 's_gp')
89 |
90 | data_s = np.column_stack([s_cp_P])
91 | np.savetxt("output/Propeller_s_cp.txt", data_s, fmt=['%13.9f'], delimiter=' ', header = 's_cp')
92 |
93 | """ GRID POINTS MATRIX - CALCULATION OF BETA(S),CHORD(S),SKEW(S) AND RAKE(S) """
94 |
95 | #Initialise the variables
96 | Radius_gp_P = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
97 | Chord_P_gp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
98 | Rake_P_gp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
99 | Skew_P_gp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
100 | sin_b = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
101 | cos_b = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
102 | Grid_Points_P = np.zeros(((Var.Msp + 1) * (Var.Nch + 1), 3))
103 | Theta_gp_P = np.zeros(Var.Nch + 1)
104 |
105 | # S Loop
106 | for i in range( Var.Msp +1):
107 |     ipl = ((i+1) * (Var.Nch + 1)) - (Var.Nch + 1)
108 |
109 |     Radius_gp_P[i] = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, r_R_P) # Value of the radius in the grid points (s)
110 |     U_0_P_gp = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the grid points (s)
111 |     U_T_P_gp = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, U_T_P) # Wake (Tangential) in the grid points (s)
112 |     Chord_P_gp[i] = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, Chord_P) # Value of the chord in the grid points (s)
113 |     Rake_P_gp[i] = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, X_P) # Value of the rake in the grid points (s)
114 |     Skew_P_gp[i] = np.interp(s_gp_P[i],S_Distr_P, Skew_P) # Value of the skew in the grid points (s)
115 |
116 |     V_tang = Var.Omega * Radius_gp_P[i] - U_T_P_gp # Tangential velocity
117 |     V_rel = np.sqrt(V_tang**2 + U_0_P_gp**2) # Tangential velocity
118 |     sin_b[i] = U_0_P_gp / V_rel # Sine (beta)
119 |     cos_b[i] = V_tang / V_rel # Cosine (beta)
120 |
121 | # t Loop
122 | for j in range(Var.Nch+1):
123 |     npl = (j) + ipl # Second counter used to order the Grid Points Matrix
124 |     Theta_gp_P[j] = -Skew_P_gp[i] + (t_gp_P[j] * Chord_P_gp[i] * cos_b[i]) / Radius_gp_P[i]

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125     Grid_Points_P[npl, 0] = Rake_P_gp[i] + Chord_P_gp[i] * sin_b[i] * t_gp_P[j] # X(s,t)
126     Grid_Points_P[npl, 1] = -Radius_gp_P[i] * math.sin(Theta_gp_P[j]) # Y(s,t)
127     Grid_Points_P[npl, 2] = Radius_gp_P[i] * math.cos(Theta_gp_P[j]) # Z(s,t)
128
129
130 with open('output/Propeller_Grid_Points_Old.txt', 'w') as file:
131     for i in range((Var.Nch + 1) * (Var.Msp + 1)):
132         file.write(f"{Grid_Points_P[i, 0]:.9f} {Grid_Points_P[i, 1]:.9f} {Grid_Points_P[i, 2]:.9f}\n")
133
134 with open('output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt', 'w') as file:
135     for i in range((Var.Nch + 1) * (Var.Msp + 1)):
136         file.write(f"{Grid_Points_P[i, 0]:.9f} {Grid_Points_P[i, 1]:.9f} {Grid_Points_P[i, 2]:.9f}\n")
137
138 with open('output/Propeller_Grid_Points_geom.txt', 'w') as file:
139     for i in range((Var.Msp + 1)):
140         file.write(f"{Radius_gp_P[i]:.9f} {Chord_P_gp[i]:.9f} {Rake_P_gp[i]:.9f} {Skew_P_gp[i]:.9f}\n")
141
142 """ CONTROL POINTS MATRIX - CALCULATION OF BETA(S(R)),CHORD(S),SKEW(S) AND RAKE(S) """
143
144 #Initialise the variable
145 Radius_cp_P = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
146 Chord_P_cp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
147 Rake_P_cp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
148 Skew_P_cp = np.zeros(Var.Msp + 1)
149 Theta_cp_P = np.zeros(Var.Nch + 1)
150 Control_Points_P = np.zeros(((Var.Msp) * (Var.Nch) + 3))
151
152 for i in range(Var.Msp):
153     Radius_cp_P[i] = 0.5*(Radius_gp_P[i]+Radius_gp_P[i+1]) # Value of the radius in the control point (s)
154     U_0_P_cp = np.interp(s_cp_P[i],S_Distr_P, U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the control points (s)
155     U_T_P_cp = np.interp(s_cp_P[i],S_Distr_P, U_T_P) #Wake (Tangential) in the control points (s)
156     ipl = [0.0]
157     ipl = ((i+1)*(Var.Nch))-1 # Counter used to order the Control Points Matrix
158
159     Chord_P_cp [i] = np.interp(s_cp_P[i],S_Distr_P, Chord_P)
160     Rake_P_cp [i] = np.interp(s_cp_P[i],S_Distr_P, X_P)
161     Skew_P_cp [i] = np.interp(s_cp_P[i],S_Distr_P, Skew_P)
162 # Value of the chord in the control point (s)
163 # Value of the rake in the control point (s)
164 # Value of the skew in the control point (s)
165
166     V_tang = Var.Omega * Radius_cp_P[i] - U_T_P_cp # Tangential velocity
167     V_rel = math.sqrt(V_tang**2 + U_0_P_cp**2) # Relative velocity
168     sin_b[i] = U_0_P_cp/V_rel # Sine (beta)
169     cos_b[i] = V_tang/V_rel # Cosine (beta)
170
171 #t loop
172 for j in range(Var.Nch):
173     npl = j+(ipl) # Second counter used to order the Control Points Matrix
174     Theta_cp_P[j] = -Skew_P_cp[i] + (t_cp_P[j] * Chord_P_cp[i] * cos_b[i]) / Radius_cp_P[i]
175     Control_Points_P[npl, 0] = Rake_P_cp[i] + Chord_P_cp[i] * sin_b[i] * t_cp_P[j] # X(s,t)
176     Control_Points_P[npl, 1] = -Radius_cp_P[i] * math.sin(Theta_cp_P[j]) # Y(s,t)
177     Control_Points_P[npl, 2] = Radius_cp_P[i] * math.cos(Theta_cp_P[j]) # Z(s,t)
178
179 with open('output/Propeller_Control_Points_Old.txt', 'w') as file:
180     for i in range((Var.Nch) * (Var.Msp)):
181         file.write(f"{Control_Points_P[i, 0]:.9f} {Control_Points_P[i, 1]:.9f} {Control_Points_P[i, 2]:.9f}\n")
182
183 with open('output/Propeller_Control_Points.txt', 'w') as file:
184     for i in range((Var.Nch) * (Var.Msp)):
185         file.write(f"{Control_Points_P[i, 0]:.9f} {Control_Points_P[i, 1]:.9f} {Control_Points_P[i, 2]:.9f}\n")
186
187 with open('output/Propeller_Control_Points_geom.txt', 'w') as file:
188     for i in range((Var.Msp+1)):
189         file.write(f"{Chord_P_cp [i]:.9f} {Rake_P_cp [i]:.9f} {Skew_P_cp [i]:.9f}\n")
190
191 """ NUMERATION OF THE PANEL AND THE SIDE """
192
193 N_Panel_P = np.array([[0,1, Var.Nch + 2, Var.Nch +1]]) # Initialize the first panel
194
195 t = 0
196 for j in range(Var.Msp):
197     for i in range(1,Var.Nch):
198
199         t += 1
200         t2 = t - 1
201
202         N_Panel = N_Panel_P[t2] + 1
203         N_Panel_P = np.append(N_Panel_P, [N_Panel], axis=0)
204
205         if j != Var.Msp-1:
206             t += 1
207             t1 = t - 1
208             N_Panel = N_Panel_P[t1] + 2
209             N_Panel_P = np.append(N_Panel_P, [N_Panel], axis=0)
210
211 with open ("output/Propeller_Numeration_Panel.txt","w") as file:
212     for i in range((Var.Nch*Var.Msp)):
213         file.write(f"{N_Panel_P[i, 0]:2d} {N_Panel_P[i, 1]:2d} {N_Panel_P[i, 2]:2d} {N_Panel_P[i, 3]:2d}\n")
214
215 """ COORDINATES FOR THE BOUND VORTICES (T.E. SIDE) """
216
217 # It is a matrix with the grid points at the T.E.
218 N_Bound_Vortex_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp + 1, 1), dtype=int)
219 for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
220     N_Bound_Vortex_P[i] = i+i*(Var.Nch)
221
222 np.savetxt("output/Propeller_N_Bound_Vortex.txt", N_Bound_Vortex_P, fmt="%3d")
223
224 """ HORSESHOE VORTEX MATRIX """
225
226 Horseshoe_P = np.zeros(((Var.Msp),4),dtype=int)
227 for i in range(Var.Msp):

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227     Horseshoe_P[i,0] = i                                # This value is used to access to the N_Bound_Vortex_P
228                                                         # matrix in order to select the Bound vortex (0-6) (6-12)..
229     Horseshoe_P[i,1] = i+1                              # This value is used to access to the N_Bound_Vortex_P
230                                                         # matrix in order to select the Bound vortex (0-6) (6-12)..
231     Horseshoe_P[i,2] = ((i-1)+1)*Var.Nch                # Number of the T.E panel (0-5-10..)
232     Horseshoe_P[i,3] = i                                # Number of the horseshoe vortex (0-1-2-3..)
233
234 with open("output/Propeller_Horseshoe.txt", "w") as file:
235     for i in range(Var.Msp):
236         file.write(f"    {Horseshoe_P[i,0]:2d}    {Horseshoe_P[i,1]:2d}    {Horseshoe_P[i,2]:2d}    {Horseshoe_P[i,3]}\n")
237
238 """ COORDINATES FOR THE TRANSITION WAKE (STRAIGHT LINE VORTICES) """
239
240 # Initialize the variable
241 Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.zeros((((Var.N_P_L+1)*(Var.Msp+1)),3))
242
243 for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
244     i_1 = i*(Var.N_P_L)
245     x_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],0]
246     y_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],1]
247     z_trans_wake = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[i,0],2]
248     # X value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
249     # Y value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
250     # Z value for the first point of the transition wake - T.E.
251
252     r_trans_wake = np.sqrt(y_trans_wake**2 + z_trans_wake**2) # Radius at the T.E.
253     U_0_P_trans_wake = np.interp(r_trans_wake, r_R_P, U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the transition wake (s)
254     U_T_P_trans_wake = np.interp(r_trans_wake, r_R_P, U_T_P) # Wake (Tangential) in the transition wake (s)
255
256     V_tang = Var.Omega*r_trans_wake - U_T_P_trans_wake # Tangential velocity
257     pitch_trans_wake = (2*np.pi*r_trans_wake*U_0_P_trans_wake)/V_tang # Pitch at the T.E. (It has only a radial variation)
258     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,0] = x_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (x) - T.E
259     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,1] = r_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (radius) - T.E
260     Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2] = pitch_trans_wake # Grid points for the transition wake (pitch) - T.E -
261     # It is constant everywhere (right now) because V_tang does not take into
262     # account of the induced velocity (due the fact that we don't know it yet)
263
264     delta_trans_wake = (-4 * Var.Rad_P - x_trans_wake)/(Var.N_P_L)
265     # The transition wake goes four radii downstream
266     # Loop used to divide the transition wake in N_P_L parts (N_P_L+1 points)
267     for j in range(Var.N_P_L):
268         i_2 = (i_1) + j+1
269
270         # Grid points for the transition wake
271         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,0] = x_trans_wake + (j+1) * delta_trans_wake # (x)
272         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,1] = r_trans_wake # (radius)
273         Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,2] = pitch_trans_wake # (pitch)
274
275 with open("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake_Old.txt", "w") as file:
276     file.write(f"{'Point':<8}{ 'x':<12}{ 'r':<20}{ 'p':<20}\n")
277     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
278         i_1 = i*(Var.N_P_L)
279         file.write(f"{i:<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,1]:13.9f}"
280                 f"{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2]:13.9f}\n")
281
282         for j in range(Var.N_P_L):
283             i_2 = (i_1) + j+1
284             file.write(f"{i:<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,1]:13.9f}"
285                     f"{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,2]:13.9f}\n")
286
287 with open("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt", "w") as file:
288     file.write(f"{'Point':<8}{ 'x':<12}{ 'r':<20}{ 'p':<20}\n")
289     for i in range(Var.Msp+1):
290         i_1 = i*(Var.N_P_L)
291         file.write(f"{i:<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,1]:13.9f}"
292                 f"{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2]:13.9f}\n")
293
294         for j in range(Var.N_P_L):
295             i_2 = (i_1) + j+1
296             file.write(f"{i:<5}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,0]:13.9f}{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,1]:13.9f}"
297                     f"{Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_2,2]:13.9f}\n")
298
299     return(S_Distr_P, r_R_P, t_gp_P, s_gp_P, Grid_Points_P, Control_Points_P,
300           N_Panel_P, N_Bound_Vortex_P, Horseshoe_P, Points_Trans_Wake_P)
301
302 (S_Distr_P, r_R_P, t_gp_P, s_gp_P, Grid_Points_P, Control_Points_P, N_Panel_P, N_Bound_Vortex_P, Horseshoe_P, Points_Trans_Wake_P
303 )=Grid_Generation_Propeller()
304
305

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1 """
2 Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 Author: Lisa Martinez
4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This subroutine is tasked with creating the helix geometry.
7 """
8
9
10 def Helix(x1, x2, y1, y2, dx):
11     delx = x2 - x1
12     a = (y2-y1-delx*dx)/delx/delx
13     b = dx-2*a*x1
14     c = y1 + a*x1*x1 - dx*x1
15     return (a, b, c)

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2 | Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 | Author: Lisa Martinez
4 | Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5 |
6 | Description: This subroutine computes the induced velocities in the midpoints
7 | of the segments (coefficient) from the entire grid of the propeller.
8 | """
9 |
10 |
11 | import numpy as np
12 | import sources.Variables as Var
13 | from sources.Weight_Function_Propeller_P import Weight_function_propeller
14 | from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
15 | from sources.Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_P import Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller
16 |
17 |
18 | def Induced_Grid_Propeller():
19 |     Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()
20 |     I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
21 |
22 |     V_Grid_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp,I_P_Points_P, 4,3)) # Induced velocity from the entire grid
23 |     n_plaux = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Msp), dtype = int)
24 |     npl = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Msp),dtype = int)
25 |
26 |     for i in range (I_P_Points_P): # This loop selects the panel where the point px,py,pz is located
27 |
28 |         for k in range (4): # This loop selects, inside the panel, the side where the point px,py,pz is located
29 |             px,py,pz,v_px,v_py,v_pz = Mid_Vect_Propeller(i, k) # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint px,py,pz
30 |
31 |             for j in range(Var.Msp):
32 |                 U_x = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_x
33 |                 U_y = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_y
34 |                 U_z = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_z
35 |                 n_plaux = (Var.Nch)*(j)
36 |
37 |                 for h in range(Var.Nch): # This loop selects the panel (Chordwise) that induces velocity
38 |
39 |                     npl = h + n_plaux
40 |                     qx_pnl, qy_pnl, qz_pnl = Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller(npl,k,i,px,py,pz)
41 |
42 |                     U_x += Weight_P[j,h] * qx_pnl # Temporary induced velocity in the point px,py,pz
43 |                     U_y += Weight_P[j,h] * qy_pnl # due to the chordwise ring j (x),(y),(z)
44 |                     U_z += Weight_P[j,h] * qz_pnl
45 |
46 |                     V_Grid_P [j,i,k,0] = U_x # Induced velocity in the point px,py,pz
47 |                     V_Grid_P [j,i,k,1] = U_y # due to the chordwise ring j (x),(y),(z)
48 |                     V_Grid_P [j,i,k,2] = U_z
49 |
50 | with open("output/Propeller_Velocity_Grid.txt", "w") as file:
51 |     file.write("{:>5s} {:>8s} {:>2s} {:>15s} {:>15s} {:>2s}\n".format("Point", "Spanwise", "Ux", "Uy", "Uz", ""))
52 |     file.write("{:>8s} {:>7s}\n".format("Panel)", "(Side)"))
53 |
54 |     for i in range(I_P_Points_P):
55 |         for k in range(4):
56 |             for j in range(Var.Msp):
57 |                 data_format = "{:>2d} {:>4d} {:>4d} {:>13.9f} {:>13.9f} {:>13.9f}\n"
58 |                 file.write(data_format.format(i, k, j, V_Grid_P[j, i, k, 0], V_Grid_P[j, i, k, 1], V_Grid_P[j, i, k, 2]))
59 |
60 | return V_Grid_P
61 |
62 | V_Grid_P = Induced_Grid_Propeller()

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1 | """
2 | Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 | Author: Lisa Martinez
4 | Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5 |
6 | Description: This subroutine calculates the midpoint coordinates
7 | (mid_x,mid,mid_z) and the vector for the panel side
8 | (vector_x,vector_y,vector_z) of the reference blade of the propeller.
9 |
10 | Parameters
11 | - n_pnl: number of the panel
12 | - n_side: number of the side
13 | """
14 |
15 |
16 | import numpy as np
17 | import sources.Variables as Var
18 |
19 |
20 | def Mid_Vect_Propeller(n_pnl,n_side):
21 |
22 |     Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
23 |     N_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Numeration_Panel.txt",dtype='int')
24 |     j1 = n_side
25 |     j2 = (n_side+1)
26 |
27 |     # Special case for n_side = 3
28 |     if n_side == 3:
29 |         j2 = 0
30 |
31 |     mid_x = 0.5* (Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],0] + Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],0]) # Midpoint (x)
32 |     mid_y = 0.5* (Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],1] + Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],1]) # Midpoint (y)
33 |     mid_z = 0.5* (Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],2] + Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],2]) # Midpoint (z)
34 |
35 |     vector_x = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],0] - Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],0] #Vector (x)
36 |     vector_y = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],1] - Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],1] #Vector (y)
37 |     vector_z = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j2],2] - Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl],j1],2] #Vector (z)

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38     return mid_x,mid_y,mid_z,vector_x,vector_y,vector_z
39

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1  """
2  Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3  Author: Lisa Martinez
4  Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6  Description: This subroutine calculates the normal vector for a panel
7  """
8
9
10 import numpy as np
11
12
13 def Normal_Vector(x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2, x_3, y_3, z_3, x_4, y_4, z_4):
14     a_1 = x_2 - x_3
15     # X value of the first vector of the panel (Point 2 and Point 3)
16     a_2 = y_2 - y_3
17     # Y value of the first vector of the panel (Point 2 and Point 3)
18     a_3 = z_2 - z_3
19     # Z value of the first vector of the panel (Point 2 and Point 3)
20
21     b_1 = x_4 - x_1
22     # X value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
23     b_2 = y_4 - y_1
24     # Y value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
25     b_3 = z_4 - z_1
26     # Z value of the first vector of the panel (Point 1 and Point 4)
27
28     x = a_2 * b_3 - a_3 * b_2 # X component of the cross product
29     y = b_1 * a_3 - a_1 * b_3 # Y component of the cross product
30     z = a_1 * b_2 - a_2 * b_1 # Z component of the cross product
31
32     Norm = np.sqrt(x**2 + y**2 + z**2) # Norm of the vector
33
34     vector_x = x / Norm # X component of the normal vector
35     vector_y = y / Norm # Y component of the normal vector
36     vector_z = z / Norm # Z component of the normal vector
37
38     return (vector_x, vector_y, vector_z)

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1  """
2  Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3  Author: Lisa Martinez
4  Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6  Description: This subroutine computes the onset flow at the midpoints of the
7  sides of the propeller. The onset flow is assumed to be axi-symmetric and
8  independent of the longitudinal position, meaning it has only a radial
9  variation.
10 """
11
12
13 import numpy as np
14 import sources.Variables as Var
15 from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
16
17
18 def Onset_Flow_Propeller():
19     I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
20     r_R_P, X_P, Skew_P, Chord_P, Thick_P = np.loadtxt("input/grid.txt", unpack=True)
21     U_0_P, U_R_P, U_T_P = np.loadtxt("input/onset.txt", unpack=True)
22     U_0_P_Onset = np.zeros((Var.Msp * Var.Nch, 4, 3)) #Onset Flow (x) - Propeller
23     U_T_P_Onset = np.zeros((Var.Msp * Var.Nch, 4, 3)) #Onset Flow (y) - Propeller
24     U_R_P_Onset = np.zeros((Var.Msp * Var.Nch, 4, 3)) #Onset Flow (z) - Propeller
25     V_Onset_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp * Var.Nch, 4, 3))
26
27     for j in range(I_P_Points_P): # This loop selects the panel where the point px,py,pz is located
28         for k in range(4): # This loop selects, inside the panel, the sides where the point px,py,pz is located
29             xx, xy, xz, xl, yl, zl = Mid_Vect_Propeller(j, k)
30
31             #This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint px,py,pz
32             r_sid = np.sqrt(xy*xy + xz*xz) # Radius of the points px,py,pz
33
34             U_0_P_Onset = np.interp(r_sid,r_R_P,U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the midpoints (s)
35             U_T_P_Onset = np.interp(r_sid,r_R_P,U_T_P) # Wake (Tangential) in the midpoints (s)
36             U_R_P_Onset = np.interp(r_sid,r_R_P,U_R_P) # Wake (Radial) in the grid midpoints (s)
37
38             V_Onset_P[j,k,0] = - U_0_P_Onset # Onset Flow (x)
39             V_Onset_P[j,k,1] = U_R_P_Onset*xy/r_sid - U_T_P_Onset*xz/r_sid + Var.Omega*xz # Onset Flow (y)
40             V_Onset_P[j,k,2] = U_R_P_Onset*xz/r_sid + U_T_P_Onset*xy/r_sid - Var.Omega*xy # Onset Flow (z)
41
42     with open("output/Propeller_Onset_Flow.txt", "w") as file:
43         file.write("{:5s}{:6s}{:12s}{:15s}\n".format("Point", "Ux", "Uy", "Uz"))
44         file.write("{:8s}{:7s}\n".format("(Panel)", "(Side)"))
45
46     for j in range(I_P_Points_P):
47         for k in range(4):
48             file.write("{:2d}{:4d}{:5s}{:13.9f}{:5s}{:13.9f}{:5s}{:13.9f}\n".format(
49                 j, k, "", V_Onset_P[j, k, 0], "", V_Onset_P[j, k, 1], "", V_Onset_P[j, k, 2]))
50
51     return V_Onset_P
52
53
54 V_Onset_P = Onset_Flow_Propeller()

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1  """
2  Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3  Author: Lisa Martinez
4  Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6  Description: This subroutine calculates the induced velocities (coefficient)
7  from a panel in the point (px,py,pz) for all the blades of the propeller
8  without including the bound vortex.
9
10 Parameters:
11 - n_pnl : number of the panel that induces velocity in the point
12         (px,py,pz)
13 - mpnl  : number of the panel that contains the point px,py,pz.
14 - msid  : number of the side that contains the point px,py,pz.
15 """
16
17
18 import numpy as np
19 import sources.Variables as Var
20 from sources.Biot_Savart_Propeller_P import Biot_Savart_Propeller
21
22
23 def Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_Align(n_pnl, msid, mpnl, px, py, pz):
24
25     Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
26     N_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Numeration_Panel.txt", dtype='int')
27
28     # DECLARATION OF VARIABLES
29
30     U_x = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_x
31     U_y = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_y
32     U_z = 0 # Initialization of the variable U_z
33
34     delta_theta = 2*np.pi/float(Var.Z_Blade_P)
35
36     x_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],0] # X value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
37     y_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],1] # Y value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
38     z_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],2] # Z value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
39
40     #Loop for the number of blades
41     for j in range(Var.Z_Blade_P):
42         theta_blade = float(j*delta_theta)
43         cos_theta = np.cos(theta_blade)
44         sin_theta = np.sin(theta_blade)
45
46         x_1 = x_10 # X value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
47         y_1 = y_10*cos_theta - z_10*sin_theta
48         # Y value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
49         z_1 = z_10*cos_theta + y_10*sin_theta
50         # Z value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
51
52         # 4 sides of the panel
53         for i in range(4):
54             i_2 = i + 1 if i < 3 else 0
55
56             x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],0] # X value for the second point of the chosen panel
57             # of the chosen blade of the propeller
58             y_20 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],1] # Y value for the second point of the chosen panel
59             # of the chosen blade of the propeller
60             z_20 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],2] # Z value for the second point of the chosen panel
61             # of the chosen blade of the propeller
62
63             y_2 = y_20 * cos_theta - z_20 * sin_theta
64             # Y value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
65             z_2 = z_20 * cos_theta + y_20 * sin_theta
66             # Z value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
67
68             if i == 1:
69                 x_1, y_1, z_1 = x_2, y_2, z_2
70                 continue
71             if i == 3:
72                 x_1, y_1, z_1 = x_2, y_2, z_2
73                 continue
74             else:
75                 U_x_0, U_y_0, U_z_0 = Biot_Savart_Propeller(1, x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2, px, py, pz)
76
77                 # Update induced velocities
78                 U_x = U_x + U_x_0
79                 U_y = U_y + U_y_0
80                 U_z = U_z + U_z_0
81
82                 x_1, y_1, z_1 = x_2, y_2, z_2
83
84     return(U_x, U_y, U_z)

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1  """
2  Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3  Author: Lisa Martinez
4  Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6  Description: This subroutine calculates the induced velocities (coefficient)
7  from a panel at the point (px,py,pz) for all blades of the propeller.
8
9  Parameters:
10 - n_pnl: Number of the panel inducing velocity at the point (px,py,pz)
11 - mpnl: Number of the panel containing the point (px,py,pz)
12 - msid: Number of the side containing the point (px,py,pz)
13 """
14

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15
16 from sources.Biot_Savart_Propeller_P import Biot_Savart_Propeller
17 import numpy as np
18 import sources.Variables as Var
19
20
21 def Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller(n_pnl, msid, mpnl, px, py, pz):
22     Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
23     N_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Numeration_Panel.txt", dtype='int')
24
25     U_x, U_y, U_z = 0.0, 0.0, 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_x, U_y, U_z
26
27     delta_theta = 2*np.pi/float(Var.Z_Blade_P)
28
29     x_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],0] # X value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
30     y_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],1] # Y value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
31     z_10 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,0],2] # Z value for the first point of the chosen panel of the propeller
32
33     for j in range(Var.Z_Blade_P): #Loop for the number of blades
34         theta_blade = (j) *delta_theta
35
36         cos_theta = np.cos(theta_blade)
37         sin_theta = np.sin(theta_blade)
38
39         x_1 = x_10
40         y_1 = y_10*cos_theta - z_10*sin_theta
41         z_1 = z_10*cos_theta + y_10*sin_theta
42         # X value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
43         # Y value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
44         # Z value for the first point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
45
46         # 4 sides of the panel
47         for i in range(4):
48
49             i_2 = i + 1 if i < 3 else 0
50             x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],0]
51             # X value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
52             y_20 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],1]
53             # Y value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
54             z_20 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[n_pnl,i_2],2]
55             # Z value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
56
57             y_2 = y_20 * cos_theta - z_20 * sin_theta
58             # Y value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
59             z_2 = z_20 * cos_theta + y_20 * sin_theta
60             # Z value for the second point of the chosen panel of the chosen blade of the propeller
61
62             if n_pnl == mpnl and (j == 0) and i == msid:
63                 x_1 = x_2 # The second point becomes the first point (x)
64                 y_1 = y_2 # The second point becomes the first point (y)
65                 z_1 = z_2 # The second point becomes the first point (z)
66             else:
67                 U_x_0, U_y_0, U_z_0 = Biot_Savart_Propeller(1, x_1, y_1, z_1, x_2, y_2, z_2, px, py, pz)
68                 # Induced velocity of that side of the panel of the propeller
69                 # (I_z = 1 because I have al ready created a loop)
70                 # Update induced velocity
71
72                 U_x = U_x + U_x_0
73                 U_y = U_y + U_y_0
74                 U_z = U_z + U_z_0
75
76                 x_1 = x_2 # The second point becomes the first point (x)
77                 y_1 = y_2 # The second point becomes the first point (y)
78                 z_1 = z_2 # The second point becomes the first point (z)
79
80     return(U_x, U_y, U_z)

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1 """
2 Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 Author: Lisa Martinez
4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This subroutine is designed to open and process three specific
7 files containing data related to propeller characteristics, chord, and
8 velocities. It aims to facilitate the handling and analysis of aerodynamic
9 properties through these datasets.
10 """
11
12
13 import numpy as np
14 import pandas as pd
15 import sources.Variables as Var
16 from scipy.interpolate import CubicSpline
17
18
19 def propeller_geometry():
20     # Read from excel as Data Frame
21     data = pd.read_excel("input/geometry.xlsx", "geometry1", header=0)
22
23     # Radius
24     r_prop = data['Radius'].values
25     # Cartesian coordinate
26     x_prop = data['x'].values
27     # Skew in Radians
28     skew_prop = data['Skew (Rad)'].values
29     # Chord
30     chord_prop = data['Chord'].values
31     # Thickness
32     thick_prop = data['t'].values

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33 # Axial onset flow
34 u0_prop = data['U0'].values
35 # Radial onset flow
36 ur_prop = data['Ur'].values
37 # Tangential onset flow
38 ut_prop = data['Ut'].values
39
40 # Linear interpolation for the Radius
41 ir_prop = np.linspace(r_prop[0], max(r_prop), num=Var.N_Iter)
42
43 # Cubic spline interpolation for various properties along radial axis:
44 # x coordinate, skew, chord, thickness, axial onset flow, radial onset
45 # flow, tangential onset flow.
46 interpolator_x = CubicSpline(r_prop, x_prop, axis=0)
47 ix_prop = interpolator_x(ir_prop)
48
49 interpolator_skew = CubicSpline(r_prop, skew_prop, axis=0)
50 iskew_prop = interpolator_skew(ir_prop)
51
52 interpolator_chord = CubicSpline(r_prop, chord_prop, axis=0)
53 ichord_prop = interpolator_chord(ir_prop)
54
55 interpolator_thick = CubicSpline(r_prop, thick_prop, axis=0)
56 ithick_prop = interpolator_thick(ir_prop)
57
58 interpolator_u0 = CubicSpline(r_prop, u0_prop, axis=0)
59 iu0_prop = interpolator_u0(ir_prop)
60
61 interpolator_ur = CubicSpline(r_prop, ur_prop, axis=0)
62 iur_prop = interpolator_ur(ir_prop)
63
64 interpolator_ut = CubicSpline(r_prop, ut_prop, axis=0)
65 iut_prop = interpolator_ut(ir_prop)
66
67 # Define datasets
68 dataset = list(zip(ir_prop, ix_prop, iskew_prop, ichord_prop, ithick_prop))
69 dataset1 = list(zip(iu0_prop, iur_prop, iut_prop))
70
71 # Write dataset to 'grid.txt'
72 with open('input/grid.txt', 'w') as fileID:
73     format = '{:10.5f} {:10.5f} {:10.5f} {:10.5f} {:10.5f}\n'
74     for row in dataset:
75         fileID.write(format.format(*row))
76
77 # Write dataset1 to 'onset.txt'
78 with open('input/onset.txt', 'w') as file:
79     format = '{:10.5f} {:10.5f} {:10.5f}\n'
80     for row in dataset1:
81         file.write(format.format(*row))
82
83 # Write chord_prop to 'chord.txt'
84 np.savetxt('input/chord.txt', chord_prop, fmt='%10.5f')
85
86 return ir_prop, ix_prop, iskew_prop, ichord_prop, ithick_prop
87
88 ir_prop, ix_prop, iskew_prop, ichord_prop, ithick_prop = propeller_geometry()
89

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1 """
2 Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 Author: Lisa Martinez
4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This function saves the old propeller pitch to evaluate the
7 residual for the pitch distribution.
8 """
9
10
11 import numpy as np
12 import sources.Variables as Var
13
14
15 pitch_0 = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, 1))
16
17
18 def pitch():
19     pitch_0 = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1,1))
20     Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt", skiprows= 1, usecols= (1,2,3))
21     for i in range (Var.Msp+1):
22         i_1 = i+(Var.N_P_L)
23         pitch_0[i] = Points_Trans_Wake_P[i_1,2]
24     return pitch_0

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1 """
2 Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 Author: Lisa Martinez
4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This subroutine calculates the Si-function used in 'De_Jong' by
7 rational approximations.
8 """
9
10
11 import numpy as np
12
13
14 def si(xbar):

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15 | f = (xbar**8+38.027264*xbar**6+265.187033*xbar**4+335.677320*xbar**2+38.102495) / (
16 | xbar**8+40.021433*xbar**6+322.624911*xbar**4+570.236280*xbar**2+157.105423)/xbar
17 |
18 | g = (xbar**8+42.242855*xbar**6+302.757865*xbar**4+352.018498*xbar**2+21.821899) / (
19 | xbar**8+48.196927*xbar**6+482.485984*xbar**4 +1114.978885*xbar**2+449.690326)/xbar**2
20 |
21 | sires=-f*np.cos(xbar)-g*np.sin(xbar)
22 |
23 | return(sires)

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1 | """
2 | Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3 | Author: Lisa Martinez
4 | Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5 |
6 | Description: This subroutine computes the skin friction drag at control points
7 | of the propeller.
8 | """
9 |
10 |
11 | import numpy as np
12 | import sources.Variables as Var
13 | from sources.Weight_Function_Propeller_P import Weight_function_propeller
14 | from sources.Area_Panel_P import Area_Panel
15 | from sources.Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller_P import Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller
16 | from sources.Trailing_Vortices_Propeller_P import Trailing_Vortices_Propeller
17 | from sources.Biot_Savart_Propeller_P import Biot_Savart_Propeller
18 | from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
19 | from sources.Normal_Vector_P import Normal_Vector
20 |
21 |
22 | def Skin_Friction_Drag():
23 |     I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
24 |     Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()
25 |
26 |     # DECLARATION OF VARIABLES
27 |
28 |     V_Tot_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Velocity_Total.txt", skiprows=2, usecols= (2,3,4))
29 |     V_Tot_P = np.reshape(V_Tot_P, (I_P_Points_P, 4, 3))
30 |     N_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Numeration_Panel.txt", dtype='int')
31 |     Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
32 |     Control_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Control_Points.txt")
33 |     Radius, beta = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Beta.txt", skiprows = 1, unpack = True )
34 |     Gamma_TE_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt")
35 |     Panel, Gamma_Panel_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Gamma_Blade.txt", skiprows = 1, unpack= True)
36 |     r_R_P, X_P, Skew_P, Chord_P, Thick_P= np.loadtxt("input/grid.txt", unpack = True)
37 |     U_0_P, U_R_P, U_T_P = np.loadtxt("input/onset.txt", unpack = True )
38 |     S_Distr_P, r_R_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_S_Distr.txt", skiprows= 1, unpack= True)
39 |     Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt",
40 |                                     skiprows= 1, usecols= (1,2,3))
41 |
42 |     radius_cp = np.zeros((I_P_Points_P))
43 |     s_ring = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
44 |     vector_panel = np.zeros((3))
45 |     tangentialDirection = np.zeros((3))
46 |     T_Skin_F = 0.0
47 |     Q_Skin_F = 0.0
48 |     vector_x = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
49 |     vector_y = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
50 |     vector_z = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
51 |     r_cp_a = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
52 |     cos_theta_c = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
53 |     sin_theta_c = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
54 |     u_x_tot_a = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
55 |     u_y_tot_a = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
56 |     u_z_tot_a = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
57 |     u_tang_skin = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
58 |     u_rel_skin = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
59 |     Coeff_Corr_Camber = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
60 |     Coeff_Corr_Alpha = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
61 |     Coeff_Corr_Thick = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
62 |     Thick_P_skin = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
63 |     Chord_P_skin = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
64 |     L_Ring = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
65 |     L_Ring_x = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
66 |     L_Ring_y = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
67 |     L_Ring_z = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
68 |     C_L_Local = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
69 |     Camber_Dimless = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
70 |     ideal_angle_attack = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
71 |     angle_attack = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
72 |     beta_temp_surface = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
73 |     pitch_cp_final_surface = np.zeros((Var.Msp))
74 |
75 |     T_Skin_f = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the viscous drag
76 |     Q_Skin_f = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the viscous drag
77 |
78 |     s_tot = 0
79 |     for j in range (Var.Msp):
80 |         s_r = 0
81 |
82 |         for i in range(Var.Nch):
83 |             npl = i + (j) * Var.Nch
84 |
85 |             x_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,0],0] # X value of the edge number one of the panel j
86 |             y_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,0],1] # Y value of the edge number one of the panel j
87 |             z_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,0],2] # Z value of the edge number one of the panel j
88 |
89 |             x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,1],0] # X value of the edge number two of the panel j

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90     y_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,1],1] # Y value of the edge number two of the panel j
91     z_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,1],2] # Z value of the edge number two of the panel j
92
93     x_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,3],0] # X value of the edge number four of the panel j
94     y_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,3],1] # Y value of the edge number four of the panel j
95     z_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,3],2] # Z value of the edge number four of the panel j
96
97     x_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,2],0] # X value of the edge number three of the panel j
98     y_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,2],1] # Y value of the edge number three of the panel j
99     z_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[npl,2],2] # Z value of the edge number three of the panel j
100
101     s_parz = Area_Panel (x_1,y_1,z_1,x_2,y_2,z_2,x_3,y_3,z_3,x_4,y_4,z_4)
102     # Area of the panel where the control point is located
103
104     s_r = s_r + s_parz
105
106     s_ring [j] = s_r
107     s_tot = s_tot + s_r
108
109 Ae = s_tot
110 Ao = np.pi * Var.Rad_P**2
111
112 AeAo = Ae/Ao * Var.Z_Blade_P
113
114 # SKIN FRICTION DRAG
115
116 # Loop used to select all the control points of the propeller
117 for j in range (I_P_Points_P):
118
119     p_x_mdp = Control_Points_P[j,0] # X coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
120     p_y_mdp = Control_Points_P[j,1] # Y coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
121     p_z_mdp = Control_Points_P[j,2] # Z coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
122
123     x_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,0],0] # X value of the edge number one of the panel j
124     y_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,0],1] # Y value of the edge number one of the panel j
125     z_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,0],2] # Z value of the edge number one of the panel j
126
127     x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,1],0] # X value of the edge number two of the panel j
128     y_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,1],1] # Y value of the edge number two of the panel j
129     z_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,1],2] # Z value of the edge number two of the panel j
130
131     x_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,3],0] # X value of the edge number four of the panel j
132     y_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,3],1] # Y value of the edge number four of the panel j
133     z_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,3],2] # Z value of the edge number four of the panel j
134
135     x_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,2],0] # X value of the edge number three of the panel j
136     y_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,2],1] # Y value of the edge number three of the panel j
137     z_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[j,2],2] # Z value of the edge number three of the panel j
138
139     radius_cp[j] = np.sqrt(p_y_mdp**2 + p_z_mdp**2) # Radius for the chosen control point of the propeller
140
141     cos_theta_c_skin = p_z_mdp/radius_cp[j]
142     sin_theta_c_skin = p_y_mdp/radius_cp[j]
143
144     # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE ONSET FLOW
145
146     U_0_Onset = np.interp (radius_cp[j],r_R_P,U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the control points (s)
147     U_T_Onset = np.interp (radius_cp[j],r_R_P,U_T_P) # Wake (Tangential) in the control points (s)
148     U_R_Onset = np.interp (radius_cp[j],r_R_P,U_R_P) # Wake (Radial) in the control points (s)
149
150     u_x_onset = - U_0_Onset # Onset Flow (x)
151     u_y_onset = U_R_Onset*p_y_mdp/radius_cp[j] - U_T_Onset*p_z_mdp/radius_cp[j] + Var.Omega*p_z_mdp # Onset Flow (y)
152     u_z_onset = U_R_Onset*p_z_mdp/radius_cp[j] + U_T_Onset*p_y_mdp/radius_cp[j] - Var.Omega*p_y_mdp # Onset Flow (z)
153
154     # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE PANELS
155
156     u_x_panels = 0
157     # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
158     u_y_panels = 0
159     # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
160     u_z_panels = 0
161     # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
162
163     # Loop used to select the spanwise level that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
164     for n in range (Var.Msp):
165         u_x_panels_0 = 0
166         # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
167         u_y_panels_0 = 0
168         # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
169         u_z_panels_0 = 0
170         # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
171
172         # Loop used to select the panel that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
173         for m in range (Var.Nch):
174             npl = m + (n) * Var.Nch
175
176             u_x_temp,u_y_temp,u_z_temp = Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller (npl,5,0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
177             # Induced velocity from the selected panel on the chosen control point of the propeller
178
179             u_x_panels_0 = u_x_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_x_temp
180             # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
181             u_y_panels_0 = u_y_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_y_temp
182             # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
183             u_z_panels_0 = u_z_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_z_temp
184             # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
185
186
187             u_x_panels = u_x_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_x_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
188             u_y_panels = u_y_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_y_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
189             u_z_panels = u_z_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_z_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
190
191     # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE HORSESHOE VORTEX

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192 u_x_trail = 0
193 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (x)
194 u_y_trail = 0
195 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (y)
196 u_z_trail = 0
197 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (z)
198
199
200 x_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,0] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (x)
201 y_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,1] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (y)
202 z_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,2] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (z)
203
204 u_x_trail_1,u_y_trail_1,u_z_trail_1 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
205 # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex of the propeller (First)
206
207 # Loop used to select the trailing vortex that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
208 for n in range (Var.Msp):
209     n_1 = n + 1
210     n_2 = (n+1) * (Var.Nch+1)
211
212     u_x_trail_2,u_y_trail_2,u_z_trail_2 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(n_1,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
213     # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex of the propeller (Second)
214
215     x_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,0] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (x)
216     y_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,1] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (y)
217     z_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,2] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (z)
218
219     U_x_s,U_y_s,U_z_s =
220     # Induced velocity from the bound vortex selected of the propeller
221     Biot_Savart_Propeller(Var.Z_Blade_P,x_T_E_1,y_T_E_1,z_T_E_1,x_T_E_2,y_T_E_2,z_T_E_2,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
222
223     u_x_trail = u_x_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_x_trail_1 - u_x_trail_2 + U_x_s)
224     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (x)
225     u_y_trail = u_y_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_y_trail_1 - u_y_trail_2 + U_y_s)
226     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (y)
227     u_z_trail = u_z_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_z_trail_1 - u_z_trail_2 + U_z_s)
228     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (z)
229
230     x_T_E_1 = x_T_E_2 # For the next loop
231     y_T_E_1 = y_T_E_2 # For the next loop
232     z_T_E_1 = z_T_E_2 # For the next loop
233
234     u_x_trail_1 = u_x_trail_2 # For the next loop
235     u_y_trail_1 = u_y_trail_2 # For the next loop
236     u_z_trail_1 = u_z_trail_2 # For the next loop
237
238 # TOTAL INDUCED VELOCITY
239
240 u_x_tot = u_x_onset + u_x_trail + u_x_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (x)
241 u_y_tot = u_y_onset + u_y_trail + u_y_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (y)
242 u_z_tot = u_z_onset + u_z_trail + u_z_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (z)
243
244 # SKIN FRICTION DRAG
245
246 s = Area_Panel (x_1,y_1,z_1,x_2,y_2,z_2,x_3,y_3,z_3,x_4,y_4,z_4)
247 # Area of the panel where the control point is located
248
249 point_x_2,point_y_2,point_z_2,vector_xx,vector_yy,vector_zz = Mid_Vect_Propeller(j,1)
250 # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint of the panel side number 2
251 point_x_4,point_y_4,point_z_4,vector_xx,vector_yy,vector_zz = Mid_Vect_Propeller(j,3)
252 # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint of the panel side number 2
253
254 vector_panel[0] = point_x_4 - point_x_2 # Tangent vector to the panel (x)
255 vector_panel[1] = point_y_4 - point_y_2 # Tangent vector to the panel (y)
256 vector_panel[2] = point_z_4 - point_z_2 # Tangent vector to the panel (z)
257
258 vector_panel/= np.linalg.norm(vector_panel, ord=2) # Unit tangent vector to the panel
259
260 tangentialDirection[0] = 0.0 # Tangent vector in yz plane
261 tangentialDirection[1] = cos_theta_c_skin # Tangent vector in yz plane
262 tangentialDirection[2] = - sin_theta_c_skin # Tangent vector in yz plane
263
264 tangentialDirection/= np.linalg.norm(tangentialDirection, ord = 2) # Unit tangent vector in yz plane
265
266 V_tang = np.dot([u_x_tot, u_y_tot, u_z_tot], vector_panel) # Tangent velocity to the panel
267
268 dragInPanelDirection = Var.Skin_Coeff * 0.5 * Var.rho * (abs(V_tang)*V_tang) * s # Tangent force to the panel
269
270 T_Skin_F = T_Skin_F + dragInPanelDirection * vector_panel[0] # Skin friction drag (Thrust) - X force to the panel
271
272 Q_Skin_F = Q_Skin_F + dragInPanelDirection * np.dot(vector_panel, tangentialDirection) * radius_cp[j]
273 # Skin friction drag (Torque) - X force to the panel
274
275 T_fr_P = T_Skin_F
276 Q_fr_P = - Q_Skin_F
277
278 with open ("output/Propeller_Drag.txt", "w") as file:
279     file.write(" Drag T Drag Q Drag KT Drag KQ \n")
280     file.write(f"{{(Var.Z_Blade_P * T_fr_P):9.1f}} {{(Var.Z_Blade_P * Q_fr_P):9.1f}}\n")
281     file.write(f"{{(Var.Z_Blade_P * T_fr_P / ((Var.Omega / (2 * np.pi))**2 * Var.rho * (Var.Rad_P * 2)**4)):0.6f}}\n")
282     file.write(f"{{(Var.Z_Blade_P * Q_fr_P / ((Var.Omega / (2 * np.pi))**2 * Var.rho * (Var.Rad_P * 2)**5)):0.6f}}\n")
283
284 # OPTIMIZATION PARAMETERS - OUTPUT
285
286 mid_point = Var.Nch//2
287
288 # Loop used to select the closest control points to the midchord line (Chordwise)
289 for j in range (Var.Msp):
290     mid_point_cp = (mid_point) + (j) * Var.Nch
291
292     p_x_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,0]
293     p_y_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,1]

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293 p_z_mdp = Control_Points_P[mid_point_cp,2]
294 # X coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
295 # Y coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
296 # Z coordinate of the chosen control point of the propeller
297
298 x_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,0],0]
299 y_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,0],1]
300 z_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,0],2]
301 # X value of the edge number one of the panel
302 # Y value of the edge number one of the panel
303 # Z value of the edge number one of the panel
304
305 x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,1],0]
306 y_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,1],1]
307 z_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,1],2]
308 # X value of the edge number two of the panel
309 # Y value of the edge number two of the panel
310 # Z value of the edge number two of the panel
311
312 x_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,3],0]
313 y_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,3],1]
314 z_3 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,3],2]
315 # X value of the edge number four of the panel
316 # Y value of the edge number four of the panel
317 # Z value of the edge number four of the panel
318
319 x_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,2],0]
320 y_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,2],1]
321 z_4 = Grid_Points_P[N_Panel_P[mid_point_cp,2],2]
322 # X value of the edge number three of the panel
323 # Y value of the edge number three of the panel
324 # Z value of the edge number three of the panel
325
326 vec_x,vec_y,vec_z = Normal_Vector (x_1,y_1,z_1,x_2,y_2,z_2,x_3,y_3,z_3,x_4,y_4,z_4)
327 # This subroutine calculates the normal vector for the chosen panel
328
329 vector_x[j] = vec_x      # X component of the vector
330 vector_y[j] = vec_y      # Y component of the vector
331 vector_z[j] = vec_z      # Z component of the vector
332
333 r_cp_a[j] = np.sqrt(p_y_mdp**2 + p_z_mdp**2) # Radius for the chosen control point of the propeller
334
335 cos_theta_c[j] = p_z_mdp/r_cp_a[j]
336 sin_theta_c[j] = p_y_mdp/r_cp_a[j]
337
338 # ONSET
339
340 U_0_P_Onset = np.interp(r_cp_a[j],r_R_P,U_0_P) # Wake (Axial) in the midpoints (s)
341 U_T_P_Onset = np.interp(r_cp_a[j],r_R_P,U_T_P) # Wake (Tangential) in the midpoints (s)
342 U_R_P_Onset = np.interp(r_cp_a[j],r_R_P,U_R_P) # Wake (Radial) in the grid midpoints (s)
343
344 u_x_onset = - U_0_P_Onset # Onset Flow (x)
345 u_y_onset = U_R_P_Onset*p_y_mdp/r_cp_a[j] - U_T_P_Onset*p_z_mdp/r_cp_a[j] + Var.Omega*p_z_mdp # Onset Flow (y)
346 u_z_onset = U_R_P_Onset*p_z_mdp/r_cp_a[j] + U_T_P_Onset*p_y_mdp/r_cp_a[j] - Var.Omega*p_y_mdp # Onset Flow (z)
347
348 # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE PANELS OF THE PROPELLER
349
350 u_x_panels = 0
351 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
352 u_y_panels = 0
353 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
354 u_z_panels = 0
355 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
356
357 # Loop used to select the spanwise level that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
358 for n in range (Var.Msp):
359     u_x_panels_0 = 0
360     # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
361     u_y_panels_0 = 0
362     # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
363     u_z_panels_0 = 0
364     # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
365
366     # Loop used to select the panel that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
367     for m in range (Var.Nch):
368         npl = m + (n) * Var.Nch
369
370         u_x_temp,u_y_temp,u_z_temp = Panel_Induced_Velocity_Propeller(npl,5,0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
371
372         # Induced velocity from the selected panel on the chosen control point of the propeller
373         u_x_panels_0 = u_x_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_x_temp
374         # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
375         u_y_panels_0 = u_y_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_y_temp
376         # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
377         u_z_panels_0 = u_z_panels_0 + Weight_P[n,m] * u_z_temp
378         # Temporary variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
379
380         u_x_panels = u_x_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_x_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (x)
381         u_y_panels = u_y_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_y_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (y)
382         u_z_panels = u_z_panels + Gamma_TE_P[n] * u_z_panels_0 # Induced velocity from the panels of the propeller (z)
383
384 # VELOCITIES IN THE CONTROL POINTS FROM THE HORSESHOE VORTEX OF THE PROPELLER
385
386 u_x_trail = 0
387 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (x)
388 u_y_trail = 0
389 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (y)
390 u_z_trail = 0
391 # Initialization of the variable used to calculate the induced velocity from the trailing vortices of the propeller (z)
392
393 x_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,0] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (x)
394 y_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,1] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (y)

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395 z_T_E_1 = Grid_Points_P[0,2] # First point of the first trailing vortex of the propeller (z)
396
397 u_x_trail_1,u_y_trail_1,u_z_trail_1 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(0,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
398 # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex of the propeller (First)
399
400 # Loop used to select the trailing vortex that induces velocity on the control points of the propeller
401 for n in range (Var.Msp):
402     n_1 = n + 1
403     n_2 = (n+1) * (Var.Nch+1)
404
405     u_x_trail_2,u_y_trail_2,u_z_trail_2 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(n_1,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
406     # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex of the propeller (Second)
407
408     x_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,0] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (x)
409     y_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,1] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (y)
410     z_T_E_2 = Grid_Points_P[n_2,2] # Second point of the trailing vortex of the propeller (z)
411
412     U_x_s,U_y_s,U_z_s = Biot_Savart_Propeller(Var.Z_Blade_P,x_T_E_1,y_T_E_1,
413                                             z_T_E_1,x_T_E_2,y_T_E_2,z_T_E_2,p_x_mdp,p_y_mdp,p_z_mdp)
414     # Induced velocity from the bound vortex selected of the propeller
415
416     u_x_trail = u_x_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_x_trail_1 - u_x_trail_2 + U_x_s)
417     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (x)
418     u_y_trail = u_y_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_y_trail_1 - u_y_trail_2 + U_y_s)
419     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (y)
420     u_z_trail = u_z_trail + Gamma_TE_P[n] * (u_z_trail_1 - u_z_trail_2 + U_z_s)
421     # Induced velocity from the horseshoe vortex of the propeller (z)
422
423     x_T_E_1 = x_T_E_2 # For the next loop
424     y_T_E_1 = y_T_E_2 # For the next loop
425     z_T_E_1 = z_T_E_2 # For the next loop
426
427     u_x_trail_1 = u_x_trail_2 # For the next loop
428     u_y_trail_1 = u_y_trail_2 # For the next loop
429     u_z_trail_1 = u_z_trail_2 # For the next loop
430
431 # TOTAL INDUCED VELOCITY
432
433 u_x_tot_a[j] = u_x_onset + u_x_trail + u_x_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (x)
434 u_y_tot_a[j] = u_y_onset + u_y_trail + u_y_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (y)
435 u_z_tot_a[j] = u_z_onset + u_z_trail + u_z_panels # Total induced velocity on the propeller (z)
436
437 u_tang_skin[j] = - u_y_tot_a[j] * cos_theta_c[j] + u_z_tot_a[j] * sin_theta_c[j]
438 # Total tangential induced velocity in the control points of the propeller
439 u_rel_skin[j] = np.sqrt((u_x_tot_a[j]**2) + (u_tang_skin[j]**2))
440
441 # THRUST FOR EACH STRIP
442
443 # Spanwise loop
444 for m in range (Var.Msp):
445     npl_TE = (m)*Var.Nch
446
447     L_0_x = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (x)
448     L_0_y = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (y)
449     L_0_z = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (z)
450
451     # Chordwise loop
452     for n in range (Var.Nch):
453         npl = n + (m)*Var.Nch
454
455         L_00_x = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (x)
456         L_00_y = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (y)
457         L_00_z = 0 # Initialization of the temporary variable used to calculate the lift of the stator (z)
458
459         # Panel loop
460         for k in range (4):
461
462             xkx,xky,xkz,xlk,ylk,zlk = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl,k)
463
464             L_00_x = L_00_x + zlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,1] - ylk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,2] # Lift generated by side k panel npl (x)
465             L_00_y = L_00_y + xlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,2] - zlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,0] # Lift generated by side k panel npl (y)
466             L_00_z = L_00_z - xlk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,1] + ylk*V_Tot_P[npl,k,0] # Lift generated by side k panel npl (z)
467
468             L_0_x = L_0_x + Weight_P[m,n] * L_00_x # Lift generated by the panel npl (x)
469             L_0_y = L_0_y + Weight_P[m,n] * L_00_y # Lift generated by the panel npl (y)
470             L_0_z = L_0_z + Weight_P[m,n] * L_00_z # Lift generated by the panel npl (z)
471
472             xkx,xky,xkz,xlk,ylk,zlk = Mid_Vect_Propeller(npl_TE,3)
473
474             # Lift (Ring) - x
475             L_Ring_x[m] = Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*L_0_x - Gamma_Panel_P[
476                 npl_TE]*zlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,1] + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*ylk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,2]
477             # Lift (Ring) - y
478             L_Ring_y[m] = Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*L_0_y - Gamma_Panel_P[
479                 npl_TE]*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,2] + Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*zlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,0]
480             # Lift (Ring) - z
481             L_Ring_z[m] = Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*L_0_z + Gamma_Panel_P[
482                 npl_TE]*xlk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,1] - Gamma_Panel_P[npl_TE]*ylk*V_Tot_P[npl_TE,3,0]
483             # Total Lift of the ring m
484             L_Ring[m] = L_Ring_x[m]*vector_x[m] + L_Ring_y[m]*vector_y[m] + L_Ring_z[m]*vector_z[m]
485
486 # CORRECTION FACTORS
487
488 for m in range (Var.Msp):
489     Chord_P_skin[m] = np.interp(r_cp_a[m],S_Distr_P,Chord_P) # Value of the chord
490     Thick_P_skin[m] = np.interp(r_cp_a[m],S_Distr_P,Thick_P) # Value of the thickness
491
492 Thick_0 = (Thick_P_skin[1]-Thick_P_skin[0])/(r_cp_a[1]-r_cp_a[0])*(-r_cp_a[0]) + Thick_P_skin[0] # Pitch at the hub
493
494 for m in range (Var.Msp):
495     Max_Skew = max(Skew_P)*180/np.pi
496     a = (3.5*AeAo) / (np.sqrt(r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P * np.tan(beta[m]))) * (r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P - 0.5)**2

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497     b = 0.71 * np.sqrt(r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P * np.tan(beta[m])) + 0.56 * (
498         AeAo)**2 + (r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P)*(5-Var.Z_Blade_P)/Var.Z_Blade_P + 0.46
499
500     Coeff_Corr_Camber[m] = a + b
501
502     Coeff_Corr_Thick[m] = 2*(5 + Var.Z_Blade_P)*Var.Z_Blade_P*Thick_0/(Var.Rad_P*2) * AeAo * (1-r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P)**2
503
504     d = 1.2 * AeAo + 0.65 - 0.07*(2-np.pi*r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P * np.tan(beta[m]))**3
505     e = 55/np.sqrt(np.pi*r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P * np.tan(beta[m]))*AeAo*(r_cp_a[
506         m]/Var.Rad_P - 0.55)**4 + 1.2*r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P*(5-Var.Z_Blade_P)/Var.Z_Blade_P
507     f = 0.08 * Max_Skew * (1- 20 * abs((r_cp_a[m]/Var.Rad_P - 0.4)**3))
508
509     Coeff_Corr_Alpha[m] = d + e + f
510
511     with open("output/Propeller_Correction_Factors.txt","w") as file:
512         file.write("    K_Camber    K_Thickness    K_Alpha\n")
513         for m in range(Var.Msp):
514             file.write(f"    {Coeff_Corr_Camber[m]:7.4f}    {Coeff_Corr_Thick[m]:7.4f}    {Coeff_Corr_Alpha[m]:7.4f}\n")
515
516     for m in range (Var.Msp):
517         C_L_Local[m] = abs(L_Ring[m])/(0.5*(u_rel_skin[m])**2*s_ring[m]) # Lift Coefficient
518         Camber_Dimless[m] = (C_L_Local[m]*(1.0-Var.cny)) * 0.067 * Coeff_Corr_Camber[m] # / (1 - 0.83*Thick_P_skin[m]/Chord_P_skin[m])
519         # Value of the camber
520         ideal_angle_attack[m]= 1.40*(C_L_Local[m]*(1.0-Var.cny))/(180.0)*np.pi # Ideal angle of attack - 2D
521         angle_attack[m] = (C_L_Local[m]*Var.cny)/(np.pi*2.0) + ideal_angle_attack[m] # Angle of attack - 2D
522         beta_temp_surface[m] = angle_attack[m]*Coeff_Corr_Alpha[m] + beta[m] + Coeff_Corr_Thick[m]/180*np.pi
523         pitch_cp_final_surface[m] = np.tan(beta_temp_surface[m]) * 2.0 * np.pi * r_cp_a[m]
524
525     with open ("output/Propeller_Lift_Coefficient_Local_Parameters.txt","w") as file:
526         file.write("    C_L_Local    Area    Beta    Angle of Attack    f/c    Ideal angle of attack    Radius\n")
527         for m in range (Var.Msp):
528             file.write(f"    {C_L_Local[m]:7.4f}    {s_ring[m]:7.4f}    {beta[m]:13.9f}    {angle_attack[m]:13.9f}"
529                 f"    {Camber_Dimless[m]:13.9f}    {ideal_angle_attack[m]:13.9f}    {r_cp_a[m]:13.9f}\n")
530     with open ("output/Propeller_Pitch_Control_Points_Angle_Add.txt","w") as file:
531         file.write("    Spanw.    Radius    Pitch/D\n")
532         for j in range (Var.Msp):
533             file.write(f"    {j:3d}    {r_cp_a[j]:13.9f}    {(pitch_cp_final_surface[j]/(Var.Rad_P*2)):13.9f}\n")
534
535     return T_fr_P, Q_fr_P
536
537 T_fr_P,Q_fr_P = Skin_Friction_Drag()
538

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1     """
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5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the induced velocities (coefficient)
7     from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex at a
8     single point for all propeller blades. Specifically, it addresses the selected
9     trailing vortex (n_tral_vortex) - options 1, 2, 3, 4 with Msp set to 3.
10    """
11
12
13    import numpy as np
14    import sources.Variables as Var
15    from sources.De_Jong_P import De_Jong
16    from sources.Biot_Savart_Propeller_P import Biot_Savart_Propeller
17    from sources.Helix_P import Helix
18
19
20    def Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(n_tral_vortex, px, py, pz):
21        Points_Trans_Wake_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Points_Trans_Wake.txt", skiprows= 1, usecols= (1,2,3))
22        Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
23        N_Bound_Vortex_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_N_Bound_Vortex.txt", dtype= 'int')
24        N_Bound_Vortex_P = N_Bound_Vortex_P.reshape((Var.Msp+1, 1))
25
26        U_x = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_x
27        U_y = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_y
28        U_z = 0.0 # Initialization of the variable U_z
29
30        # INDUCED VELOCITIES FROM SEMI-INFINITE HELICOIDAL VORTEX
31
32        pyy = py
33        pzz = pz
34
35        k_2 = (n_tral_vortex + n_tral_vortex * Var.N_P_L)+Var.N_P_L
36        # k_2 is the location in Points_Trans_Wake_P for the last point of that trailing vortex
37        k_0 = k_2 - Var.N_P_L
38        # k_0 is the location in Points_Trans_Wake_P for the first point of that trailing vortex (T.E.)
39        k_2 = int(k_2)
40        k_0 = int(k_0)
41        n_tral_vortex = int (n_tral_vortex)
42
43        x_1 = - Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2,0]
44        # First point for the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex (x) The - is because in invf the vortex starts at -infinity and stops at -x
45
46        r_1 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2,1] # First point for the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex (Radius)
47
48        p_1 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2,2] # First point for the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex (pitch)
49
50        x_T_E = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_0,0]
51        r_T_E = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_0,1]
52        p_T_E = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_0,2]
53
54        delta_theta = 2*np.pi/float(Var.Z_Blade_P)
55
56        for i in range(Var.Z_Blade_P):

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57
58 y_T_E = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[n_tral_vortex,0],1]
59 theta = np.arcsin(- y_T_E / r_T_E) # Theta for the T.E. point
60 xki = theta - 2*np.pi* x_T_E/p_T_E # Phase angle phi
61
62 U_xx, U_yy, U_zz = De_Jong (x_1,r_1,p_1,xki,px, pyy, pzz)
63 # This subroutine calculates the induced velocity for the ultimate wake that starts in x1,r1,z1 (De Jong) for the point
    px,pyy,pzz
64
65 U_x = U_x + U_xx
66 U_y = U_y + U_yy
67 U_z = U_z + U_zz
68
69 theta_blade = (float(i+1)*delta_theta)# This is the angle of the blade that induces velocity on the reference blade
70
71 if (theta_blade < np.pi):
72     pyy = py*np.cos(theta_blade) + pz*np.sin(theta_blade)
73     pzz = pz*np.cos(theta_blade) - py*np.sin(theta_blade)
74     # In order to calculate the induced velocity in the point px,py,pz from the semi-infinite
75     # helicoidal vortices we do not change the helix (which is always located on the reference blade),
76     # but we change the location of the point and we keep constant the relative distance between the semi-infinite helicoidal
    vortex
77     # and the point (the rotation depends on the location of the blade that induces velocity)
78 else:
79     pyy = py*np.cos(2*np.pi-theta_blade) - pz*np.sin(2*np.pi-theta_blade)
80     pzz = pz*np.cos(2*np.pi-theta_blade) + py*np.sin(2*np.pi-theta_blade)
81
82 # INDUCED VELOCITIES FROM THE TRANSITION WAKE
83
84 d_r = 0.0
85 d_p = 0.0
86
87 x_1 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2,0]
88
89 for i in range(Var.N_P_L):
90     k_2_i = k_2 - (i+1)
91
92     x_2 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2_i,0] # Second point for the selected side of the transition wake (x)
93     r_2 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2_i,1] # Second point for the selected side of the transition wake (radius)
94     p_2 = Points_Trans_Wake_P[k_2_i,2] # Second point for the selected side of the transition wake (pitch)
95
96     a_r,b_r,c_r = Helix(x_1,x_2,r_1,r_2,d_r) # Calculates the coefficients a,b,c used in the polynomium
97     # for the radius for that side of the transition wake
98
99     a_p,b_p,c_p = Helix(x_1,x_2,p_1,p_2,d_p) # Calculates the coefficients a,b,c used in the polynomium
100    # for the pitch for that side of the transition wake
101
102    delta_x = (x_2-x_1) / float(Var.sub_interv)
103
104    x_11 = x_1 # First value of the element line (x) of the transition wake
105    r_11 = r_1 # First value of the element line (radius) of the transition wake
106    p_11 = p_1 # First value of the element line (pitch) of the transition wake
107
108    theta_1 = (xki + (2*np.pi) * x_11) / p_11 # First value of the element line (theta) of the transition wake
109
110    y_11 = - r_11 * np.sin(theta_1) # First value of the element line (y) of the transition wake
111    # Theta is positive in the other direction (sin(-theta) = - sin(theta))
112
113    z_11 = r_11 * np.cos(theta_1) # First value of the element line (z) of the transition wake
114
115
116    for j in range (Var.sub_interv):
117
118        x_12 = x_11 + delta_x # Second value of the element line (x) of the transition wake
119        r_12 = a_r*(x_12**2) + b_r*x_12 + c_r # Second value of the element line (radius) of the transition wake
120        p_12 = a_p*(x_12**2) + b_p*x_12 + c_p # Second value of the element line (pitch) of the transition wake
121
122        theta_2 = xki + (2*np.pi) * x_12 / p_12 # Second value of the element line (theta) of the transition wake
123        y_12 = - r_12 * np.sin(theta_2) # Second value of the element line (y) of the transition wake
124        z_12 = r_12 * np.cos(theta_2) # Second value of the element line (z) of the transition wake
125
126        U_x_w,U_y_w,U_z_w = Biot_Savart_Propeller (Var.Z_Blade_P,x_11,y_11,z_11,x_12,y_12,z_12,px,py,pz)
127
128        U_x = U_x + U_x_w
129        U_y = U_y + U_y_w
130        U_z = U_z + U_z_w
131
132        x_11 = x_12
133        y_11 = y_12
134        z_11 = z_12
135
136        x_1 = x_2
137        r_1 = r_2
138        p_1 = p_2
139
140        d_r = 2 * a_r * x_2 + b_r
141        d_p = 2 * a_p * x_2 + b_p
142
143    return (U_x, U_y, U_z)

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4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This module contains the fixed variables.
7 '''
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10 # Density of water (kg/m^3)
11 rho = 1025
12 # Velocity of the ship (m/s)
13 V_Ship = 12.8611
14 # Convergence criteria
15 epsi = 0.0001
16 # Number of subdivisions of the input values
17 N_Iter = 500
18 # Total required thrust (N)
19 Tr = 3256000
20
21 # Preserved total required thrust for calculations
22 Tr_P = Tr
23 # Number of panels (spanwise)
24 Msp = 5
25 # Number of panels (chordwise)
26 Nch = 5
27 # Flat plate coefficient (0: pure rooftop, 0.5: half rooftop, 1: pure flat
28 # plate)
29 cny = 0.5
30
31 # Angular velocity (rad/s) - Propeller
32 Omega = 9.886
33 # Radius (m) - Propeller
34 Rad_P = 4.5
35 # Radius for the hub - Propeller
36 R_Hub_P = 0.189 * Rad_P
37 # Number of blades - Propeller
38 Z_Blade_P = 6
39 # Skin friction drag coefficient
40 Skin_Coeff = 0.008
41 # Number of straight line vortices (Transition Wake)
42 N_P_L = 5
43 # Number of subintervals for each line of the transition wake
44 sub_interv = 60

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1 """
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4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This subroutine computes the induced velocities at the midpoints
7 of segments (coefficient) emanating from the horseshoe vortex across all blades
8 of the propeller. Furthermore, it calculates the total "velocity matrix" at
9 these midpoints, excluding the onset flow.
10 """
11
12
13 import numpy as np
14 import sources.Variables as Var
15 from sources.Induced_Grid_Propeller_P import Induced_Grid_Propeller
16 from sources.Mid_Vect_Propeller_P import Mid_Vect_Propeller
17 from sources.Biot_Savart_Propeller_P import Biot_Savart_Propeller
18 from sources.Trailing_Vortices_Propeller_P import Trailing_Vortices_Propeller
19
20
21 def Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller():
22
23     Horseshoe_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Horseshoe.txt", dtype='int')
24     Grid_Points_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Grid_Points.txt")
25     N_Bound_Vortex_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_N_Bound_Vortex.txt", dtype='int')
26     N_Bound_Vortex_P = N_Bound_Vortex_P.reshape((Var.Msp+1, 1))
27
28     I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
29     V_Grid_P = Induced_Grid_Propeller()
30     V_Tral_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp+1, I_P_Points_P, 4,3))
31     V_Ind_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp, I_P_Points_P, 4,3))
32
33     # HORSESHOE VORTEX
34
35     for i in range(I_P_Points_P):
36         # I used this loop in order to select the panel where the point xx,xy,xz is located
37
38         N_P_V = Horseshoe_P[0,0]
39         # First point of the first trailing vortex selected (Segment)
40
41         for k in range(4):
42             # I used this loop in order to select the side where the point xx,xy,xz
43             # is located and to calculate the induced velocity
44             # from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex for the selected trailing vortex (N_P_V)
45             xx,xy,xz,v_xx,v_xy,v_xz = Mid_Vect_Propeller(i,k) # This subroutine is used to calculate the midpoint xx,xy,xz
46
47             U_x1,U_y1,U_z1 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(N_P_V,xx,xy,xz)
48             # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex (First)
49
50             V_Tral_P[0,i,k,0] = U_x1
51             V_Tral_P[0,i,k,1] = U_y1
52             V_Tral_P[0,i,k,2] = U_z1
53
54             x_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V,0],0] # X coordinate of the second point of the segment of the first trailing
55             y_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V,0],1] # Y coordinate of the second point of the segment of the first trailing
56             z_1 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V,0],2] # Z coordinate of the second point of the segment of the first trailing
57             vortex
58             vortex
59
60         for j in range(Var.Msp): # This loop is used to select the horseshoe vortex
61             j_2 = j+1

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61     N_P_V_2 = Horseshoe_P[j,1] # Second point of the trailing vortex selected (Segment)
62
63     x_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V_2,0],0] # X coordinate of the second point of the segment of the trailing
        vortex
64     y_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V_2,0],1] # Y coordinate of the second point of the segment of the trailing
        vortex
65     z_2 = Grid_Points_P[N_Bound_Vortex_P[N_P_V_2,0],2] # Z coordinate of the second point of the segment of the trailing
        vortex
66
67     for k in range(4):
68         xx,xy,xz,v_xx,v_xy,v_xz= Mid_Vect_Propeller(i,k)
69
70         U_x2,U_y2,U_z2 = Trailing_Vortices_Propeller(N_P_V_2,xx,xy,xz)
71         # Induced velocity from the transition wake and from the semi-infinite helicoidal vortex (Second)
72
73         U_xs,U_ys,U_zs = Biot_Savart_Propeller(Var.Z_Blade_P,x_1,y_1,z_1,x_2,y_2,z_2,xx,xy,xz)
74         # Induced velocity from the bound vortex selected
75
76         V_Tral_P[j,i,k,0] = V_Tral_P[j,i,k,0] - U_x2 + U_xs # X velocity induced from the horseshoe vortex
77         V_Tral_P[j,i,k,1] = V_Tral_P[j,i,k,1] - U_y2 + U_ys # Y velocity induced from the horseshoe vortex
78         V_Tral_P[j,i,k,2] = V_Tral_P[j,i,k,2] - U_z2 + U_zs # Z velocity induced from the horseshoe vortex
79
80
81         V_Tral_P[j_2,i,k,0] = U_x2 # I need this value for the next i loop (U_x2 will be U_x1 for the next horseshoe
        vortex)
82         V_Tral_P[j_2,i,k,1] = U_y2 # I need this value for the next i loop (U_y2 will be U_z1 for the next horseshoe
        vortex)
83         V_Tral_P[j_2,i,k,2] = U_z2 # I need this value for the next i loop(U_y2 will be U_z1 for the next horseshoe
        vortex)
84
85         x_1 = x_2 # This is used in order to have the first point of the next bound vortex (x)
86         y_1 = y_2 # This is used in order to have the first point of the next bound vortex (y)
87         z_1 = z_2 # This is used in order to have the first point of the next bound vortex (z)
88
89     # VELOCITY MATRIX
90
91     for j in range(Var.Msp):
92         for i in range(I_P_Points_P):
93             for k in range(4):
94                 V_Ind_P[j,i,k,0] = V_Grid_P [j,i,k,0] + V_Tral_P[j,i,k,0] # Total induced velocity without the onset flow (x)
95                 V_Ind_P[j,i,k,1] = V_Grid_P [j,i,k,1] + V_Tral_P[j,i,k,1] # Total induced velocity without the onset flow (y)
96                 V_Ind_P[j,i,k,2] = V_Grid_P [j,i,k,2] + V_Tral_P[j,i,k,2] # Total induced velocity without the onset flow (y)
97
98     # Open the file for Propeller_Velocity_Total_No_Onset
99     with open("output/Propeller_Velocity_Total_No_Onset.txt", "w") as file:
100         file.write(" Point Spanwise Ux Uy Uz\n")
101         file.write("(Panel) (Side)\n")
102
103         for i in range(I_P_Points_P):
104             for k in range(4):
105                 for j in range(Var.Msp):
106                     file.write(f" {i:2d} {k:4d} {j:4d} {V_Ind_P[j, i, k, 0]:13.9f} {V_Ind_P[j, i, k, 1]:13.9f}
                            {V_Ind_P[j, i, k, 2]:13.9f}\n")
107
108     # Open the file for Propeller_Velocity_Trailing_Vortices
109     with open("output/Propeller_Velocity_Trailing_Vortices.txt", "w") as file:
110         file.write(" Point Spanwise Ux Uy Uz\n")
111         file.write("(Panel) (Side)\n")
112
113         for i in range(I_P_Points_P):
114             for k in range(4):
115                 for j in range(Var.Msp):
116                     file.write(f" {i:2d} {k:4d} {j:4d} {V_Tral_P[j, i, k,0]:13.9f} {V_Tral_P[j, i, k, 1]:13.9f}
                            {V_Tral_P[j, i, k, 2]:13.9f}\n")
117
118     return V_Ind_P, V_Tral_P
119
120
121 V_Ind_P, V_Tral_P = Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller()

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1     """
2     Date: Q4 2023 - Q1 2024
3     Author: Lisa Martinez
4     Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6     Description: This subroutine calculates the total velocities at the midpoints
7     of segments (Onset + Induced & Onset) for the reference blade of the propeller.
8     """
9
10
11     from sources.Onset_Flow_Propeller_P import Onset_Flow_Propeller
12     from sources.Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller_P import Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller
13     import numpy as np
14     import sources.Variables as Var
15
16
17     def Velocity_Total_Propeller ():
18         Gamma_TE_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_Gamma_TE_P.txt")
19
20         V_Ind_P, V_Tral_P = Velocity_Total_No_Onset_Propeller()
21         V_Onset_P = Onset_Flow_Propeller()
22
23         I_P_Points_P = (Var.Msp*Var.Nch)
24         V_Tot_No_Onset_P = np.zeros((I_P_Points_P,4,3))
25         V_Tot_P = np.zeros((I_P_Points_P,4,3))
26
27         for i in range (I_P_Points_P):
28             # This loop in used to select the panel where the point px,py,pz is located on the propeller
29

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30 # This loop is used to select the side of the panel where the point px,py,pz is located on the propeller
31 for k in range(4):
32
33     u_x = V_Onset_P[i,k,0] # Temporary variable used to store the onset flow (x)
34     u_y = V_Onset_P[i,k,1] # Temporary variable used to store the onset flow (y)
35     u_z = V_Onset_P[i,k,2] # Temporary variable used to store the onset flow (z)
36
37     u_xx = 0 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity
38             # of the propeller without the onset flow (x)
39     u_yy = 0 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity
40             # of the propeller without the onset flow (y)
41     u_zz = 0 # Initialization of the variable used to store the induced velocity
42             # of the propeller without the onset flow (z)
43
44 # This loop is used to calculate the total velocity
45 # at the midpoint of the panel of the propeller (Spanwise)
46 for j in range(Var.Msp):
47     u_x = u_x + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,0]
48     # Onset Flow + induced velocity in the panel i side k of the propeller (x)
49     u_y = u_y + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,1]
50     # Onset Flow + induced velocity in the panel i side k of the propeller (y)
51     u_z = u_z + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,2]
52     # Onset Flow + induced velocity in the panel i side k of the propeller (z)
53
54     # Induced velocity in the panel i side k of the propeller
55     u_xx = u_xx + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,0]
56     u_yy = u_yy + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,1]
57     u_zz = u_zz + Gamma_TE_P[j] * V_Ind_P[j,i,k,2]
58
59     # Induced velocity of the propeller without the onset flow
60     V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i,k,0] = u_xx
61     V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i,k,1] = u_yy
62     V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i,k,2] = u_zz
63
64     # Total induced velocity from the propeller in the panel i side k of the propeller
65     V_Tot_P[i,k,0] = u_x
66     V_Tot_P[i,k,1] = u_y
67     V_Tot_P[i,k,2] = u_z
68
69
70 # Open the file for Propeller_Velocity_Total_No_Onset
71 with open("output/Propeller_Velocity_Total_No_Onset_V.txt", "w") as file:
72     file.write(" Point Ux Uy Uz\n")
73     file.write("(Panel) (Side)\n")
74
75     for i in range(I_P.Points_P):
76         for k in range(4):
77             file.write(f" {i:2d} {k:4d} {V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i, k, 0]:13.9f} {V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i, k, 1]:13.9f}
78                 {V_Tot_No_Onset_P[i, k, 2]:13.9f}\n")
79
80 # Open the file for Propeller_Velocity_Trailing_Vortices
81 with open("output/Propeller_Velocity_Total.txt", "w") as file:
82     file.write(" Point Ux Uy Uz\n")
83     file.write("(Panel) (Side)\n")
84
85     for i in range(I_P.Points_P):
86         for k in range(4):
87             file.write(f" {i:2d} {k:4d} {V_Tot_P[i,k,0]:13.9f} {V_Tot_P[i, k, 1]:13.9f} {V_Tot_P[i, k, 2]:13.9f}\n")
88
89     return (V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P)
90
91 V_Tot_P, V_Tot_No_Onset_P = Velocity_Total_Propeller()

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1 """
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4 Institution: Technical University of Madrid
5
6 Description: This subroutine computes the weight function for the propeller,
7 involving the declaration of variables and arrays.
8 """
9
10
11 import numpy as np
12 import sources.Variables as Var
13
14
15 def Weight_function_propeller():
16
17
18     t_gp_P = np.loadtxt("output/Propeller_t_gp.txt", skiprows=1)
19     # Rooftop parameter a
20     a_roof = 0.8
21     # 2 / Pi
22     pi_inv = 2/np.pi
23     # Domain limit of the distribution of circulation (rooftop)
24     t_rest = 0.5 - a_roof
25     # First Denominator
26     t_slop = 2/(1 - a_roof*a_roof)
27     # Second Denominator
28     pcst = 2/(1 + a_roof)
29     # Rooftop Coefficient
30     cny1 = 1 - Var.cny
31
32     GF_tot = [0.0] # Weight equation's numerator
33     GF_tmp = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Nch)) # Temporary Weight Function 2
34     GW = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Nch)) # Temporary Weight Funtion 2
35     G_Faux = np.array([0.0]*(Var.Nch))

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36 Weight_P = np.zeros((Var.Msp,Var.Nch))
37
38 #Weight equation's numerator
39 for i in range(Var.Nch+1):
40     i_1 = i-1
41     t_gp_P_1 = 0.5 + t_gp_P[i]           # Numerator - Flat plate distribution (gamma)
42     t_gp_P_2 = 0.5 - t_gp_P[i]           # Denominator - Flat plate distribution (gamma)
43     Gamma_fp = pi_inv * np.sqrt(t_gp_P_1/t_gp_P_2) * Var.cny1 # Flat plate distribution (gamma)
44     Gamma_rt = pcst * cny1               # Rooftop distribution (gamma)
45
46     if t_gp_P[i]<t_rest:                   # Rooftop distribution (gamma)
47         Gamma_rt = t_slop * t_gp_P_1 * cny1
48
49     Gamma_Tot = Var.cny1*Gamma_fp + cny1*Gamma_rt # This is the combination of flat plate distribution
50                                                     # and rooftop distribution (gamma)
51
52     GF_tmp[i_1] = Gamma_Tot*np.sqrt(t_gp_P_1*t_gp_P_2)
53     GF_tot = GF_tot + GF_tmp[i_1]         # Weight equation's denominator
54
55 # Loop for the weight function (circulation of the panels)
56 for i in range(Var.Nch-1,-1,-1):
57     G_Faux += GF_tmp[i]/GF_tot
58     GW[i] = G_Faux[i]
59 #Loop used to write the weight function for all the panels# (it is the same for each spanwise level)
60 for j in range(Var.Msp):
61     for i in range(Var.Nch):
62         Weight_P[j,i] = GW[i] # Weight Function - j = spanwise level - i = chordwise level - Propeller
63
64 with open("output/Propeller_Weight_Function.txt", "w") as file:
65     file.write("Panel Weight Function\n")
66     for i in range(Var.Nch):
67         file.write(f"{i:3d}    {Weight_P[0,i]:13.9f}\n")
68 return(Weight_P)
69
70
71 Weight_P = Weight_function_propeller()

```