

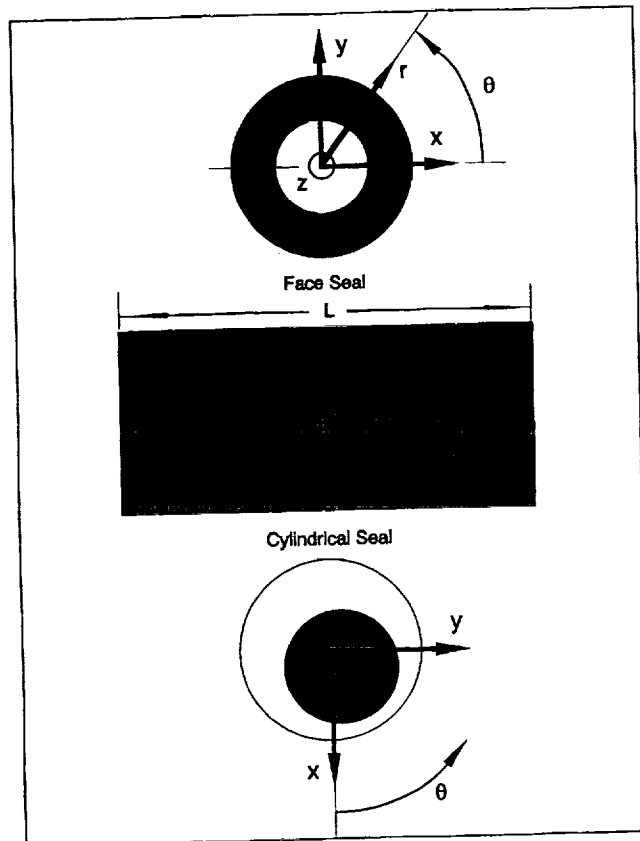
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PRESENTATION OF COMPUTER CODE SPIRALI FOR INCOMPRESSIBLE, TURBULENT,  
PLANE AND SPIRAL GROOVED CYLINDRICAL AND FACE SEALS

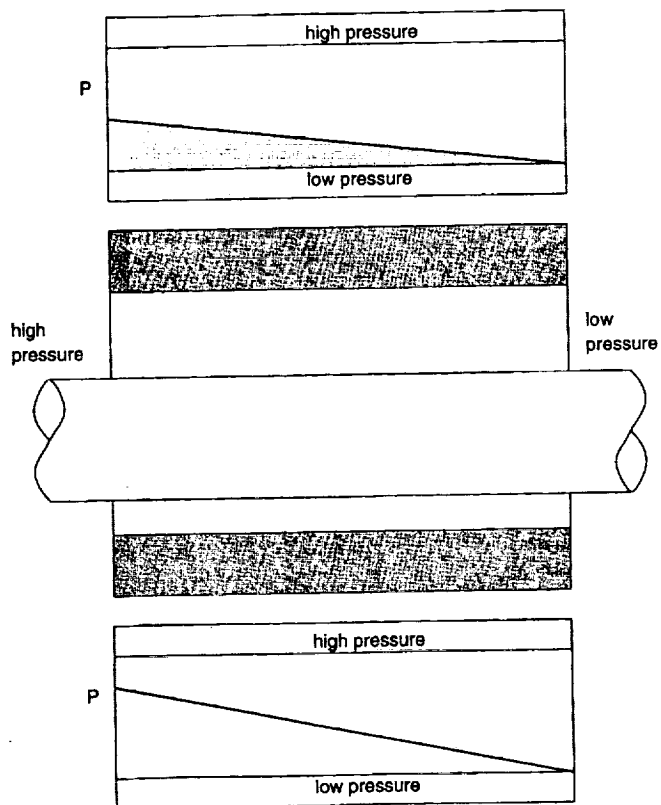
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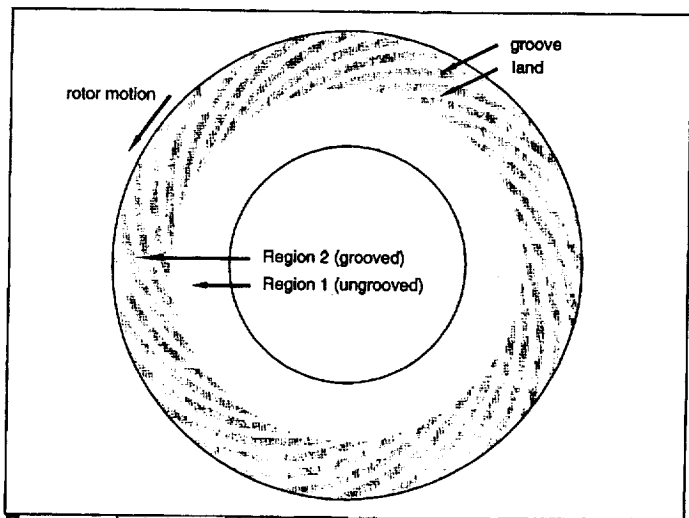
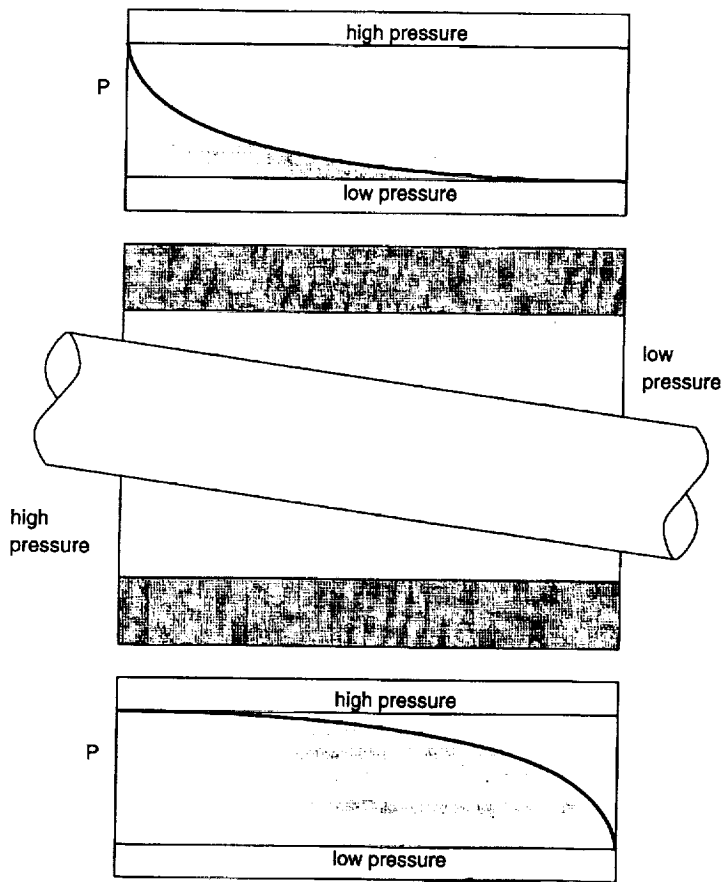
**OVERALL CAPABILITIES OF PROGRAM**

- Computes rotordynamic coefficients, flow and power loss for cylindrical and face seals
- Treats turbulent and laminar, Couette and Poiseuille dominated flows
- Fluid inertia effects included
- Rotordynamic coefficients in 3 (face) or 4 (cylindrical) degrees of freedom
- Includes effects of spiral grooves
- User definable transverse film geometry including circular steps and grooves
- Independent user definable friction factor models for rotor and stator
- User definable loss coefficients for sudden expansions and contractions



Coordinate system for seal analysis.

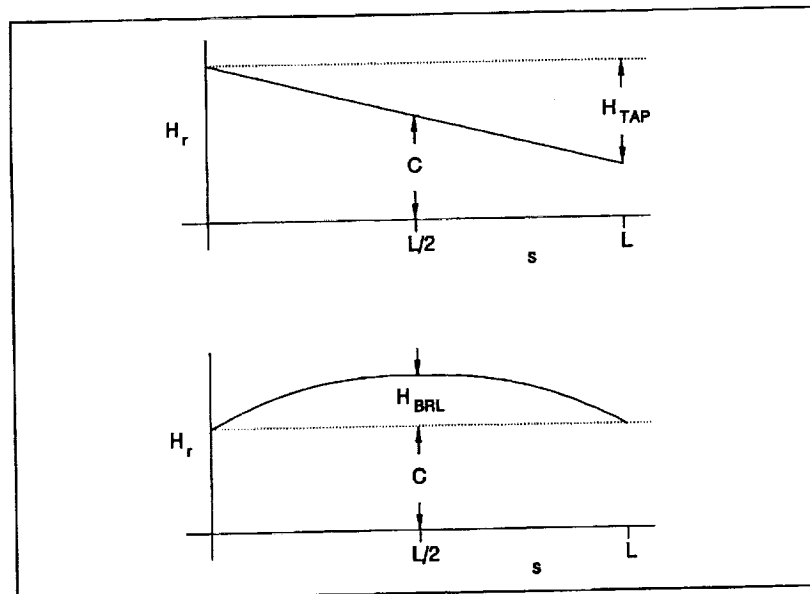




Face seal stator with inward pumping grooves

## ASSUMPTIONS

- Incompressible and isothermal flow
- Film thickness small in comparison with other geometric parameters
- Bulk flow turbulence model
- Loss coefficients used to treat inertia effects at film discontinuities
- Axisymmetric primary flow with small perturbations theory used for transient and circumferential effects
- Narrow groove theory used for spiral grooves with inertia treated globally
- No cavitation



Parameters for characterizing quadratic film variation.

## BULK FLOW EQUATIONS FOR TURBULENT FLOW

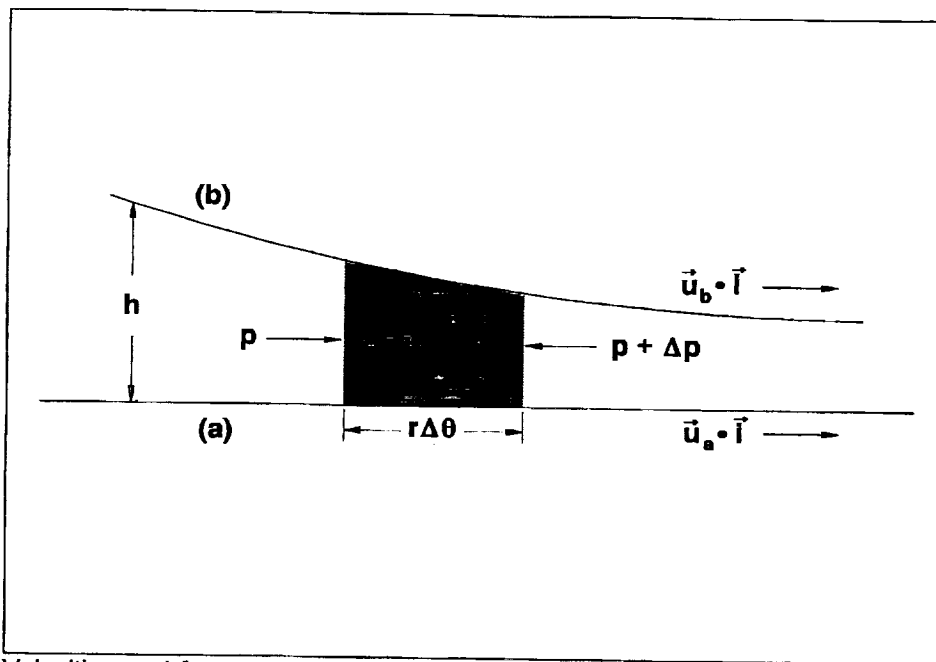
integrated momentum

$$\rho h \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial s} + \frac{u}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} + \frac{uv}{r} \right) = -\frac{h}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta} + (\bar{\tau}_b - \bar{\tau}_a) \cdot \vec{i} \quad ,$$

$$\rho h \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial s} + \frac{u}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} - \frac{u^2}{r} \right) = -h \frac{\partial p}{\partial s} + (\bar{\tau}_b - \bar{\tau}_a) \cdot \vec{j} \quad .$$

integrated continuity

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (rvh) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (uh) + \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} = 0 \quad .$$



Velocities and forces on a differential element in the  $\theta$  direction.

## SHEAR STRESS AND FRICTION FACTOR RELATIONSHIPS

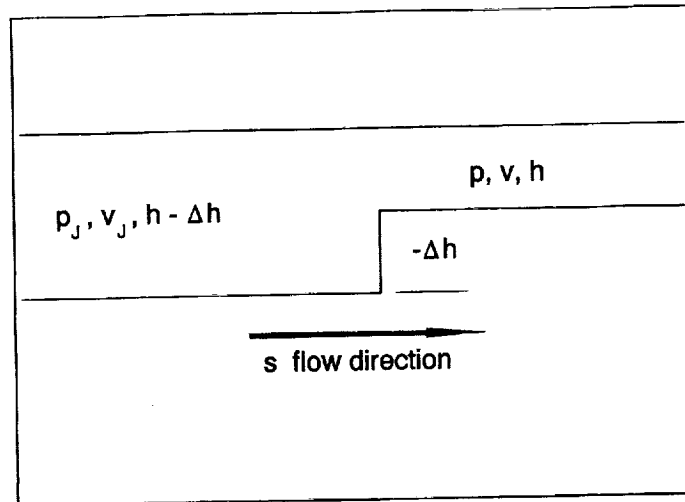
$$\bar{\tau}_a = \frac{1}{2} \rho |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_a| f_a \left( \frac{2h\rho |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_a|}{\mu} \right) (\bar{u} - \bar{u}_a) = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\mu}{h} R_a f_a(R_a) (\bar{u} - \bar{u}_a) ,$$

$$\bar{\tau}_b = -\frac{1}{2} \rho |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_b| f_b \left( \frac{2h\rho |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_b|}{\mu} \right) (\bar{u} - \bar{u}_b) = -\frac{1}{4} \frac{\mu}{h} R_b f_b(R_b) (\bar{u} - \bar{u}_b) ,$$

$$R_a = 2h |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_a| \rho / \mu , \quad R_b = 2h |\bar{u} - \bar{u}_b| \rho / \mu .$$

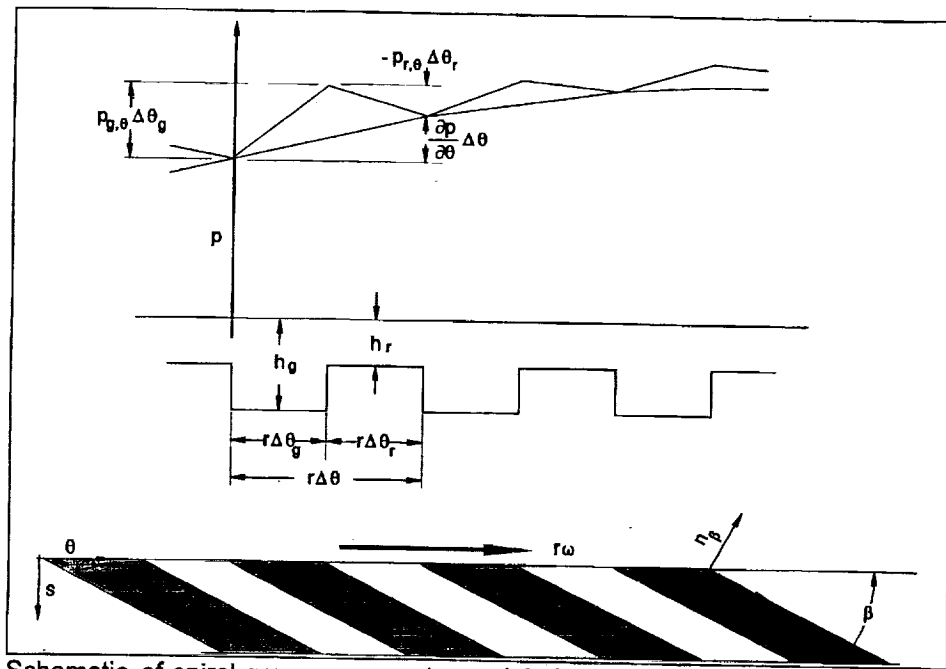
$$f_a(R_a) = n_0 R_a^{m_0} , \quad f_b(R_b) = n_0 R_b^{m_0} , \quad \text{Hirs - Blasius}$$

$$f_{a,b} = 0.001375 \left[ 1 + \left( 10^4 \frac{k_{a,b}}{h} + \frac{10^6}{R_{a,b}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \right] , \quad \text{Moody}$$

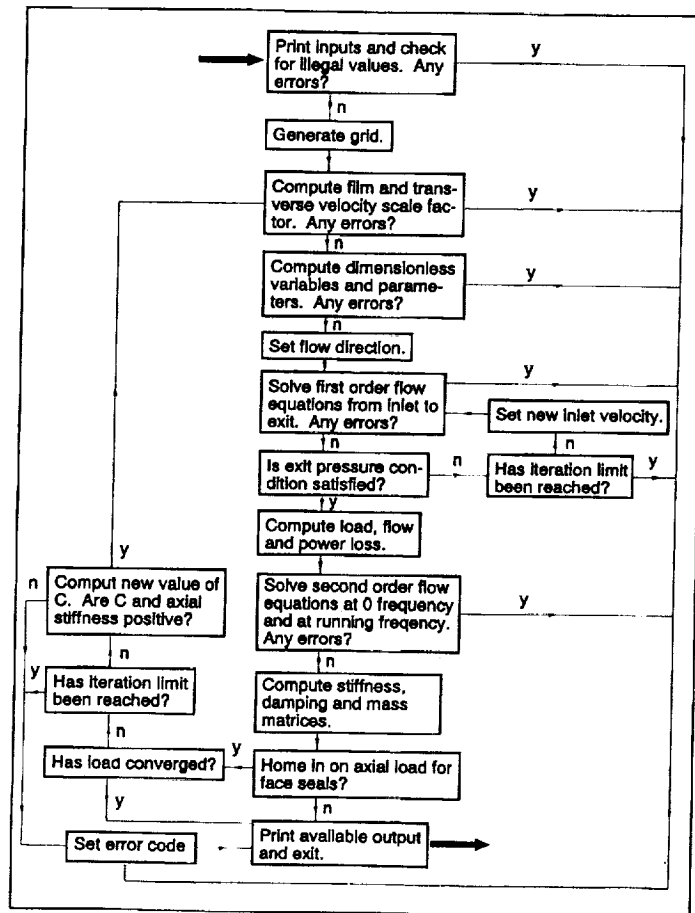


$$p_J + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_J^2 = p + \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 (1 + \xi) \quad @ \quad s = s_J .$$

$$\xi = \begin{cases} \zeta(R, \bar{h}, \bar{v}) & , \quad \Delta \bar{h} < 0 \text{ (contraction)} \\ \left( 1 - \frac{\bar{h}}{\bar{h} - \Delta \bar{h}} \right)^2 & , \quad \Delta \bar{h} \geq 0 \text{ (expansion)} \end{cases}$$



Schematic of spiral groove parameters, global and local pressures.



Flow diagram for overall logic used in computations

( CASE 1 ) Cylindrical seal with grooves, laminar, no press. grad.

&INPUTS

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TITLE = 'Cylindrical seal with grooves, laminar, no press. grad.'
IFACE = 0           ISIUN = 0
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RO = 1.0000E+00    EL = 5.0000E-01    C = 1.0000E-03
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CYLINDRICAL SEAL, INERTIA NEGLECTED

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LENGTH, DIAMETER, CLEARANCE = 5.0000E-01, 2.0000E+00, 1.0000E-03 (IN)
ROTOR, SWIRL AND DIST. SPEEDS = 5.0000E+04, 2.5000E+04, 0.0000E+00 (RPM)
PRESSURE AT START, END AXIAL BOUNDARIES = 0.0000E+00, 0.0000E+00 (PSI)
VISCOSITY = 3.0000E-08 (PSI-SEC), DENSITY = 0.0000E+00 (LB-SEC/IN4)
ERROR CODE = 0, ITERATIONS IN PRIMARY FLOW = 2
FLOW = 1.1506E+00 (IN**3/SEC)
TORQUE = 4.3909E-01 (IN-LB), FILM POWER LOSS = 3.4835E-01 (HP)
AXIAL REYNOLDS NUMBER = 0.0000E+00
CIRC. REYNOLDS NUMBERS FOR ROTOR AT SEAL ENDS = 0.0000E+00, 0.0000E+00

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DYNAMIC COEFFICIENTS ( FORCE UNIT / DISP. UNIT )

DISP.	x (IN)	y (IN)	phi (RAD)	psi (RAD)	FORCE UNIT
Kx	2.7021E+04	1.3511E+04	-6.3081E+02	-1.2959E+03	LB
Ky	-1.3511E+04	2.7021E+04	1.2959E+03	-6.3081E+02	LB
Kphi	2.3387E+02	-6.5242E+01	1.6699E+02	8.6419E+01	IN-LB
Kpsi	6.5242E+01	2.3387E+02	-8.6419E+01	1.6699E+02	IN-LB
Bx	5.1297E+00	7.8477E-11	-2.0242E-02	1.3973E-01	LB-SEC
By	-7.8477E-11	5.1297E+00	-1.3973E-01	-2.0242E-02	LB-SEC
Bphi	-2.0242E-02	-1.3973E-01	3.0437E-02	3.8319E-13	IN-LB-SEC
Bpsi	1.3973E-01	-2.0242E-02	-3.8319E-13	3.0437E-02	IN-LB-SEC
Ax	4.7708E-19	4.0552E-18	7.4544E-20	-1.7891E-19	LB-SEC2
Ay	-4.0552E-18	4.7708E-19	1.7891E-19	7.4544E-20	LB-SEC2
Aphi	1.1927E-19	5.4045E-20	-1.8636E-20	3.3545E-20	IN-LB-SEC2
Apsi	-5.4045E-20	1.1927E-19	-3.3545E-20	-1.8636E-20	IN-LB-SEC2



### Comparison with results published by D. W. Childs (1983)

	$u_{in} = r_0 \omega / 2, L/D = .2$		$u_{in} = r_0 \omega / 2, L/D = 1$		$u_{in} = 0, L/D = .2$		$u_{in} = 0, L/D = 1$	
	SPIRALI	Childs	SPIRALI	Childs	SPIRALI	Childs	SPIRALI	Childs
Q (cm <sup>3</sup> /s)	4006.	4019.	1771.	1779.	3989.	4019.	1767.	1779.
K <sub>xx</sub> (MN/m)	18.90	18.65	10.79	9.756	18.58	18.52	13.25	12.48
K <sub>xy</sub> (MN/m)	4.127	4.213	91.78	94.05	-.3027	-.3000	75.18	77.61
B <sub>xx</sub> (KN-s/m)	21.89	22.35	487.2	500.6	21.89	22.47	489.5	502.2
B <sub>xy</sub> (KN-s/m)	1.140	1.206	102.9	107.5	.8518	.8932	89.26	93.39
A <sub>xx</sub> (kg)	3.020	3.200	272.6	285.3	3.003	3.189	272.1	285.3

### DEFINITIONS OF COEFFICIENTS

Overall Seal Discharge Coefficient

$$C_d = \frac{\Delta P}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2}$$

Radial Force Coefficient

$$-f_r = K + c\omega - M\omega^2 = K_{ef} - M_{ef}\omega^2$$

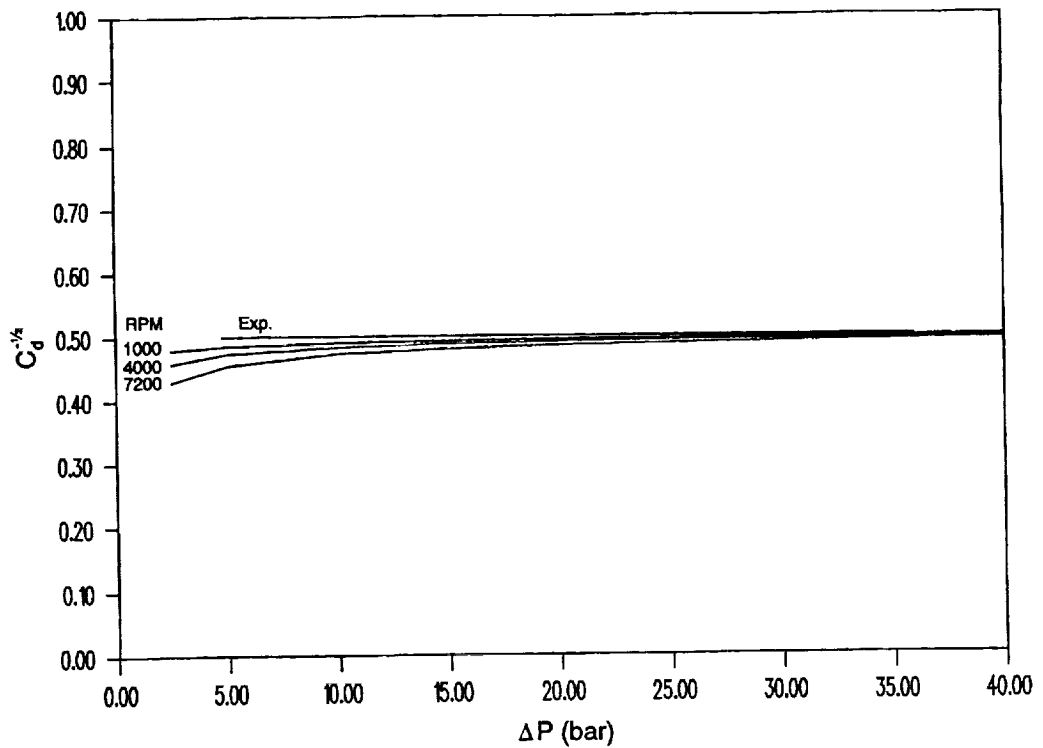
Tangential Force Coefficient

$$-f_\theta = C\omega - k = C_{ef}\omega$$

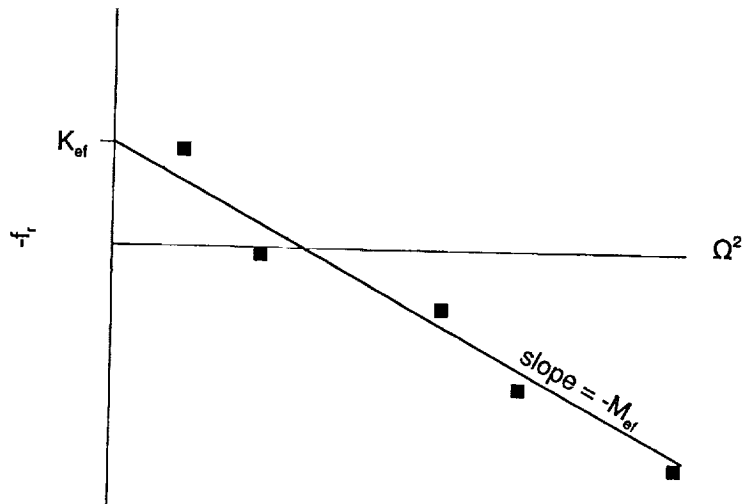
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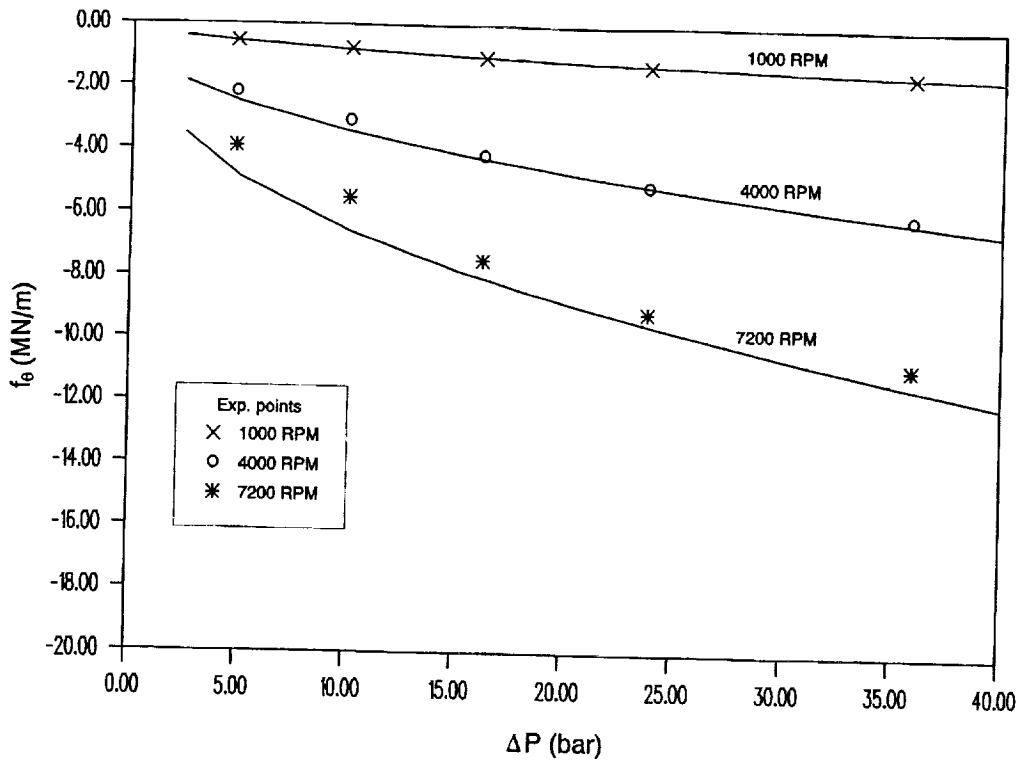
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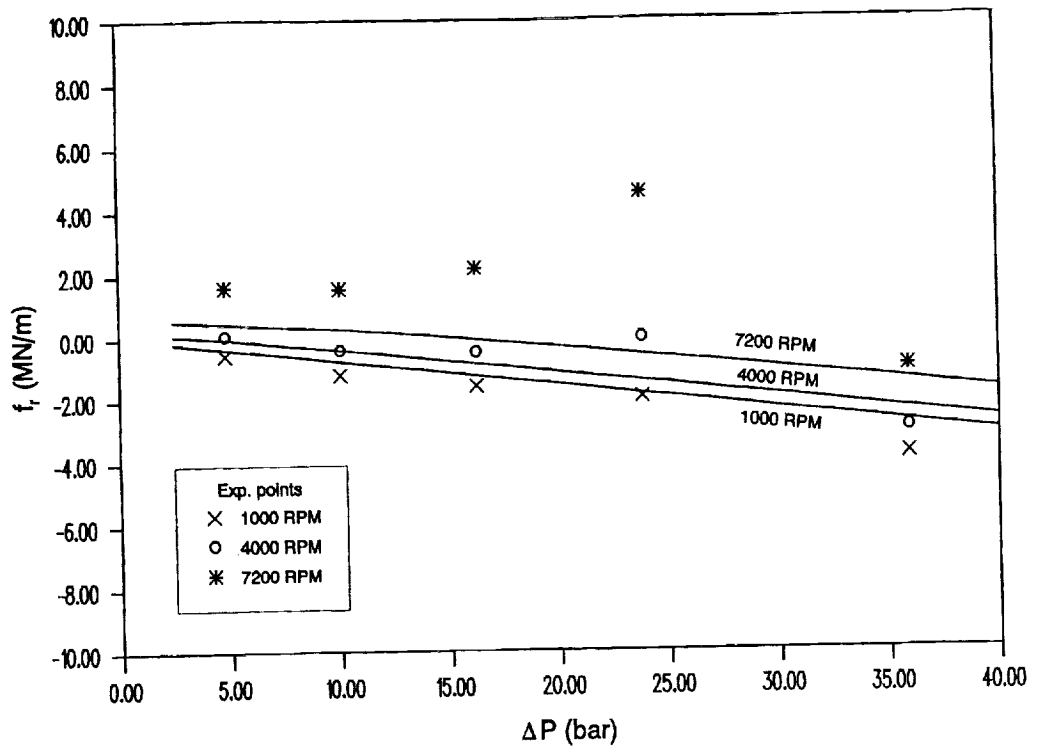
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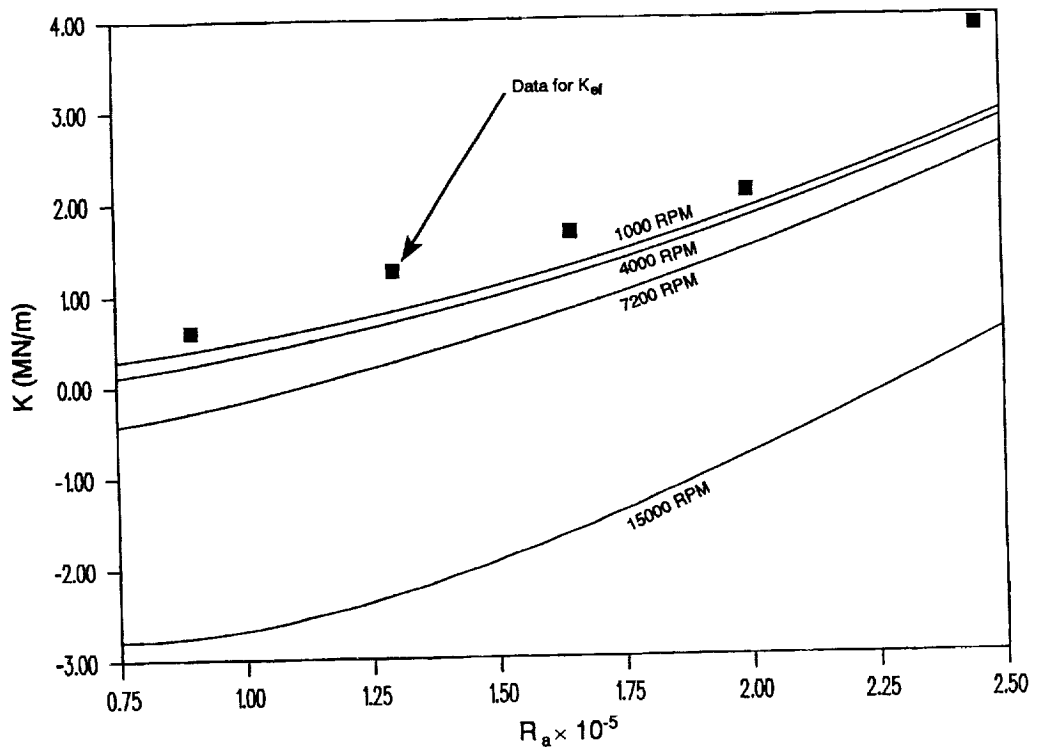
Extraction of effective stiffness and added mass



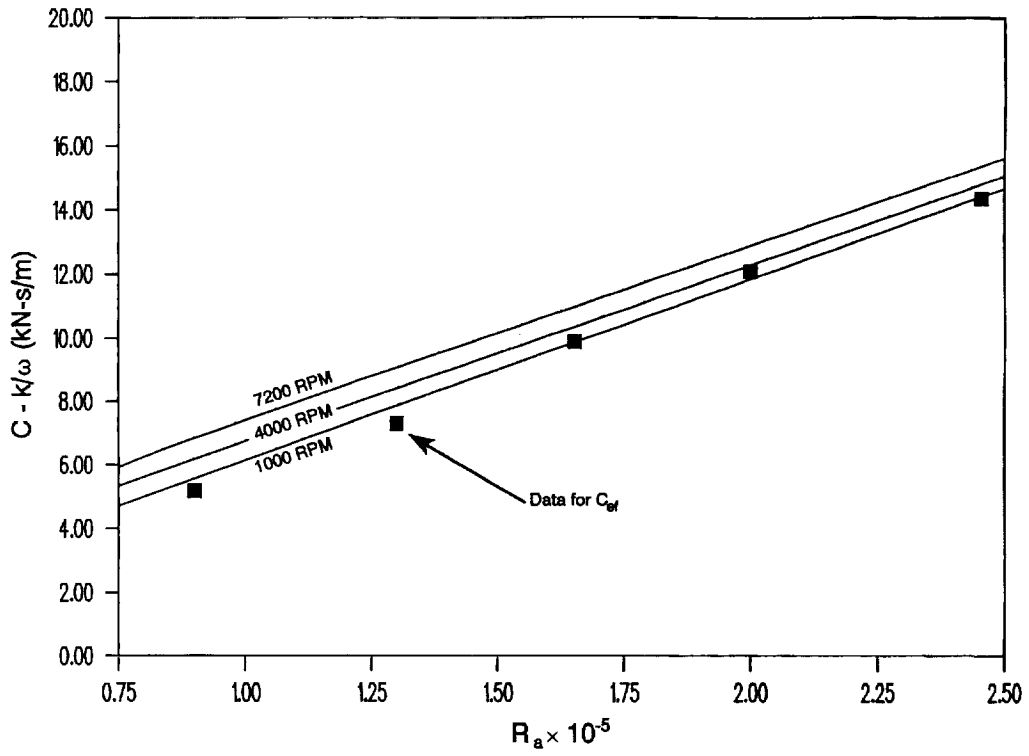
Tangential force coefficients



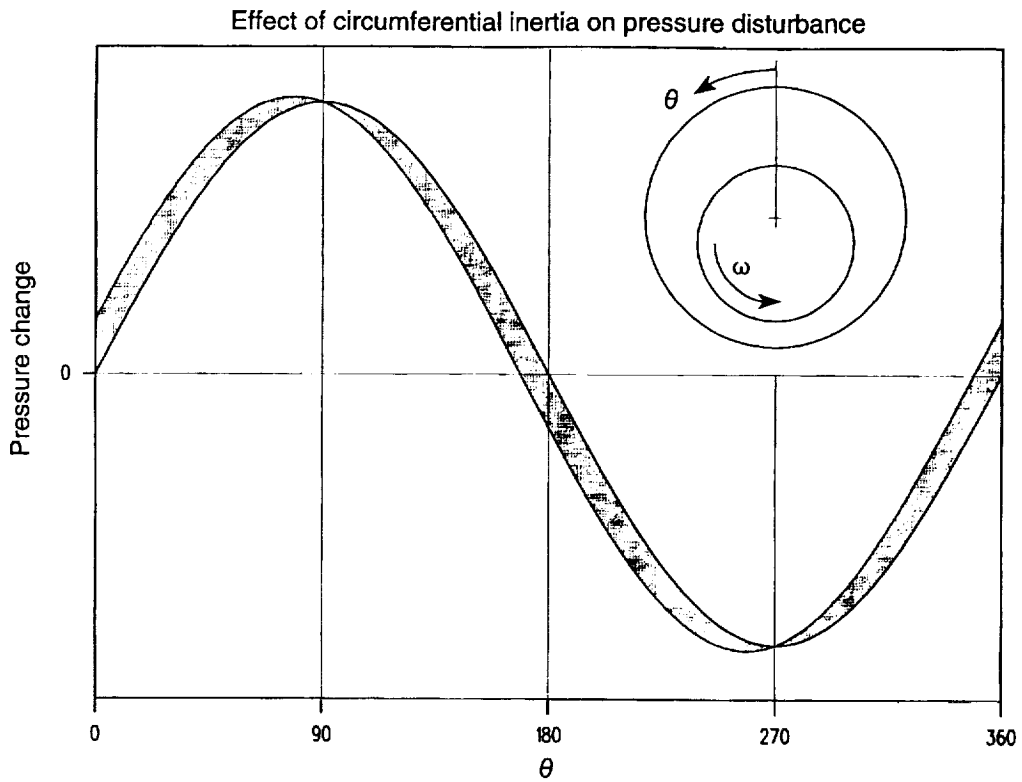
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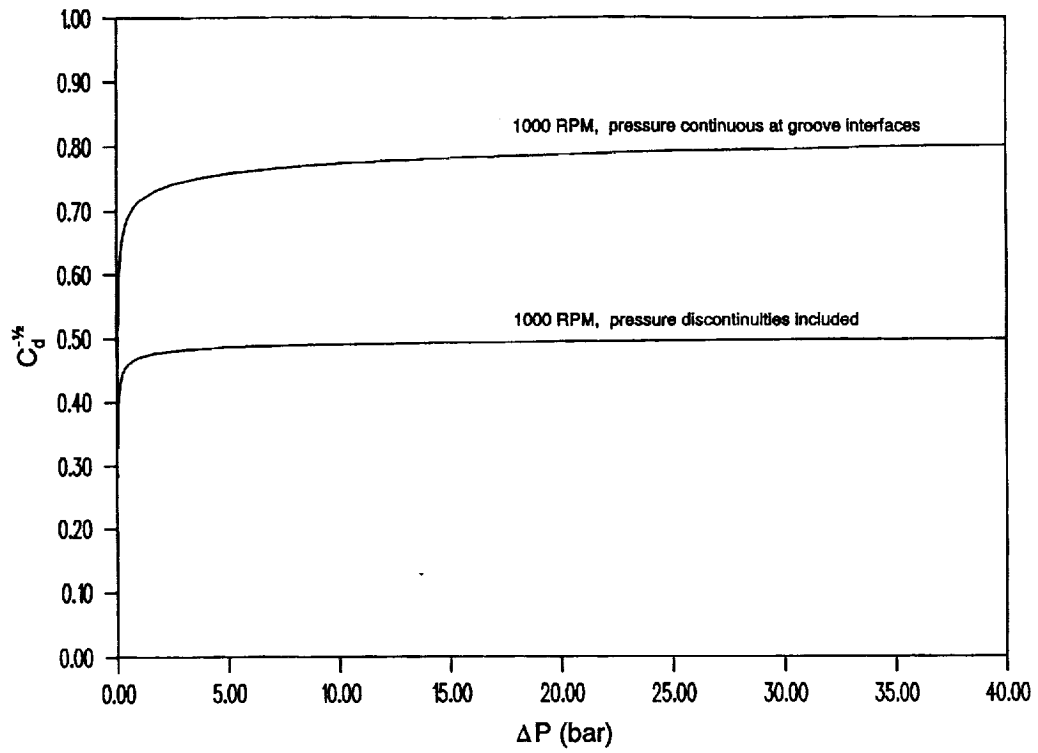


Comparison between  $K$  and  $K_{ef}$  at various rotating speeds



Comparison between  $C - k/\omega$  and  $C_{ef}$  at various rotating speeds





Effect of local pressure discontinuities on predicted axial flow rates