

Rotor 51A

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About

Rotor 51A is part of a research program designed to obtain experimental reference information for the selection of fans for propulsion systems for short-haul aircraft using the externally blown flap as the powered lift system. The rotor 51A is made of 12 blades and was designed for a tip-speed of 243.8 meters per second, a design efficiency of 0.863 and a pressure ratio of 1.15. However, experimental values are lower than expected design values (design efficiency: 0.836, pressure ratio: 1.111). The lower than design total pressure ratio was attributed to the failure to obtain the design energy input into the rotor.

- Original NASA technical report ^[1]:

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- Pictures :



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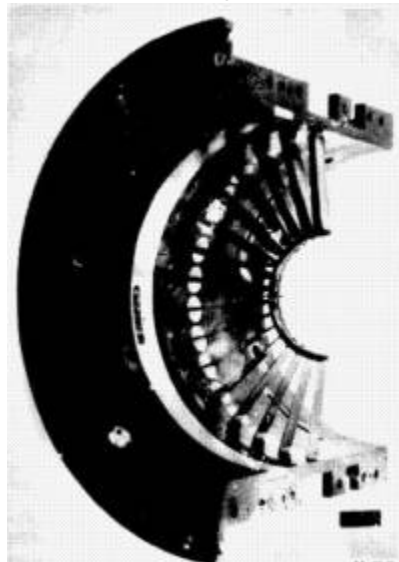


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Useful documents

- [downloadable models](#) (Git project)
 - NASA technical report (.pdf)
 - rotor51a_original.csv (.csv), usable as input of OpenMCAD^[2] to generate reference blade models.

Reference blade

The **reference blade** is defined with multiple-circular arc profiles^[3] given in the original NASA report^[1]. Corresponding models are computed with the open-source code OpenMCAD^[2].

Geometry

The geometry of rotor 51A is described in the [original NASA report](#) by the following table. The lengths are in inches and the angles in degrees.

TABLE IV. - BLADE GEOMETRY FOR ROTOR 51A

SPAN PERCENT	RADII		BLADE ANGLES			DELTA INC	CONE ANGLE
	R1	R2	KTC	KTT	KCC		
0	25.411	25.411	52.15	47.66	45.1	4.59	0.057
5	24.628	24.628	51.73	46.66	43.19	4.63	-0.130
10	23.845	23.845	51.30	45.66	41.52	4.66	0.057
15	23.062	23.062	49.86	44.16	39.66	5.43	0.268
20	22.279	22.279	46.66	40.16	35.43	7.12	0.997
25	21.496	21.496	41.54	35.16	24.67	11.69	1.605
30	20.713	20.713	35.67	29.16	14.63	15.64	2.092
35	19.930	19.930	29.21	23.16	7.12	17.75	1.619
40	19.147	19.147	23.46	17.16	4.63	18.29	1.274
45	18.364	18.364	17.65	11.16	2.57	18.29	0.654
50	17.581	17.581	12.91	5.12	1.01	18.46	0.057

SPAN PERCENT	BLADE THICKNESSES			AXIAL DIMENSIONS		
	T1	T2	T3	Z1	Z2	Z3
0	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
5	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
10	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
15	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
20	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
25	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
30	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
35	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
40	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
45	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
50	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

Aerodynamic design

	unit	value
pressure ratio	[-]	1.111
mass flow	[kg/s]	30.27
tip speed	[m/s]	213,3
tip solidity	[-]	0.5
aspect ratio	[-]	3.08
rotative speed	[%]	90 to 120 % of design speed

Material properties

The material of rotor 51A is not defined in the original NASA report. A generic titanium Ti-6Al-4V is considered:

	unité	valeurs
alloy	[-]	Ti-6Al-4V
Young's modulus	[GPa]	108
density	[kg/m3]	4400

	unité	valeurs
Poisson's ratio	[-]	0.34
yield stress	[GPa]	0.824

CAD model

The CAD model is computed with the open source code OpenMCAD^[2].



pressure side



suction side

Natural frequencies

First three natural frequencies (with clamped root) for the mesh computed with OpenMCAD^[2]:

Mode	Type	Natural angular frequency (rad/sec)	Natural frequency (Hz)
1	1B	2578.588	410.395
2	2B	8044.80	1280.37
3	1T	10763.98	1713.14

Initial blade

The **initial blade** is defined with in-house LAVA parameters^[4] computed from the reference blade CAD model. The initial blade is usually used as starting point for an optimization process. Its geometry is similar to the one of the reference blade.

Natural frequencies

First three natural frequencies (with clamped root)

- from the whole mesh:

Mode	Type	Natural angular frequency (rad/sec)	Natural frequency (Hz)
1	1B	2560.66	407.541
2	2B	8009.99	1 274.83
3	1T	10726.52	1 707.18

- from the reduced order model:

Mode	Type	Natural angular frequency (rad/sec)	Natural frequency (Hz)
1	1B	2560.75	407.556
2	2B	8013.95	1275.46
3	1T	10729.8	1707.7

Modèles téléchargeables

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À propos

Le rotor 51A fait partie d'un programme de recherche visant à obtenir des résultats expérimentaux de référence pour la sélection de soufflantes pour les avions court-courrier utilisant des volets à soufflage externe. Le rotor 51A possède 12 pales et a été conçu pour une vitesse de pointe de 243,8 mètres par seconde, un rendement de 0,863 et un ratio de pression de 1,151 à vitesse nominale. Toutefois, les caractéristiques expérimentales effectivement mesurées sont inférieures (rendement de 0,836 et ratio de pression de 1,111), en raison de l'impossibilité d'obtenir un apport d'énergie suffisant en entrée du rotor.

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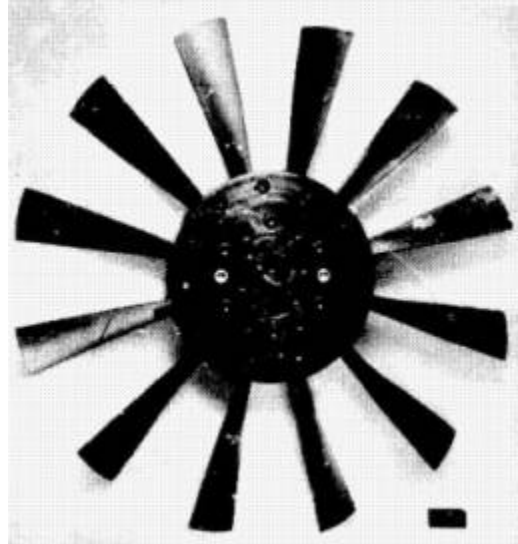


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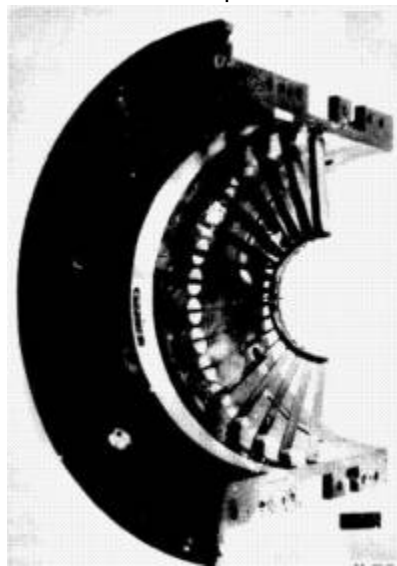


Fig. 2 <https://ntrs.nasa.gov/citations/19740021256> p.67

Documents utiles

- [modèles téléchargeables](#) (lien vers projet Git)
 - rapport technique original de la NASA (.pdf)
 - rotor51a_original.csv

Propriétés matériau

Le matériau original du rotor 51A n'est pas défini dans le rapport de la NASA. Un alliage de titane Ti-6Al-4v est considéré :

	unités	valeurs
alliage	[-]	Ti-6Al-4V
module d'Young	[GPa]	108
masse volumique	[kg/m ³]	4400
coefficient de Poisson	[-]	0,34
limite élastique	[GPa]	0,824

Modèle CAO

Le modèle CAO est obtenu avec OpenMCAD^[2].

intrados



extrados



Fréquences propres

Fréquences des trois premiers modes (noeuds du pied d'aube encastres) pour le maillage obtenu avec OpenMCAD^[2] :

Mode	Type	Pulsation propre (rad/sec)	Fréquence propre (Hz)
1	1F	2578,588	410,395
2	2F	8044,80	1280,37
3	1T	10763,98	1713,14

Aube initiale

L'**aube initiale** est définie par des paramètres spécifiques au LAVA^[4] obtenus à partir du modèle CAO de l'aube de référence. L'aube initiale est classiquement utilisée comme point de départ dans le cadre de procédures d'optimisation; sa géométrie est similaire à celle de l'aube de référence.

Fréquences propres

Fréquences des trois premiers modes (noeuds du pied d'aube encastres),

- pour le maillage complet :

Mode	Type	Pulsation propre (rad/sec)	Fréquence propre (Hz)
1	1F	2560,66	407,541
2	2F	8009,99	1 274,83
3	1T	10726,52	1 707,18

- pour le modèle réduit :

Mode	Type	Pulsation propre (rad/sec)	Fréquence propre (Hz)
1	1F	2560,75	407,556
2	2F	8013,95	1275,46
3	1T	10729,8	1707,7

1. ^{a, b, c, d} Osborn W. M., Steinke R. «Performance of a 1.15-pressure-ratio Axial-flow Fan Stage with a Blade Tip Solidity of 0.5» 1974. [pdf](#)
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3. ^{a, b} Crouse *et al.* «A computer program for composing compressor blading from simulated circular-arc elements on conical surfaces » 1969. NASA-TN-D-5437. [pdf](#)
4. ^{a, b} Kojtych S. *et al.* «Methodology for the Redesign of Compressor Blades Undergoing Nonlinear Structural Interactions: Application to Blade-Tip/Casing Contacts » 2022. Journal of Engineering for Gas Turbines and Power, Vol. 145, No. 5. [pdf](#)

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