

The specific Static Rotor Work Y_p

Specific Static rotor work

$$Y_p = \frac{1}{\rho} (P_3 - P_0)$$

Where P_0, P_3 = static pressures at points 0,3

$(P_0 - P_3)$ = static pressure difference of the rotor

ρ = density, in case of a compressible medium average of ρ_0 and ρ_3 .

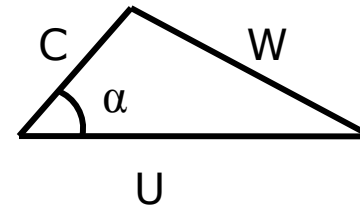
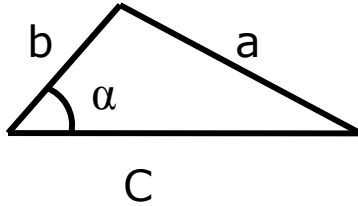
Y_p can be calculated from the energy difference of the flow medium between 0 and 3

$$Y_{blade} \mp Z_u = \frac{P_3 - P_0}{\rho} + \frac{C_3^2 - C_0^2}{2}$$

Where

$$Y_{blade} = U_2 C_{3U} - U_1 C_{0U} = U_2 C_3 \cos \alpha_3 - U_1 C_0 \cos \alpha_0$$

- Applying the cos-theorem of a triangle



$$2bc \cos \alpha = b^2 + c^2 - a^2$$



$$2CU \cos \alpha = C^2 + U^2 - W^2$$

$$Y_{blade} = \frac{1}{2} (C_3^2 + U_3^2 - W_3^2 - C_0^2 - U_0^2 + W_0^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (C_3^2 - C_0^2 + U_3^2 - U_0^2 + W_0^2 - W_3^2)$$

- It follows

$$Y_P = Y_{blade} - \frac{C_3^2 - C_0^2}{2} \mp Z_u = \frac{1}{2} (U_3^2 - U_0^2 + W_0^2 - W_3^2) \mp Z_u$$

Bernoulli Equation of the Relative Flow

- Neglecting the hydraulic loss, i.e. $Z_u = 0$,

$$Y_P = \frac{P_3 - P_0}{\rho} = \left(\frac{W_0^2}{2} - \frac{U_1^2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{W_3^2}{2} - \frac{U_2^2}{2} \right)$$

- It follows

$$\frac{P_3}{\rho} + \frac{W_3^2}{2} - \frac{U_2^2}{2} = \frac{P_0}{\rho} + \frac{W_0^2}{2} - \frac{U_1^2}{2}$$

- The above formula applies to any points along the flow line passing the vane channel

$$\frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{W^2}{2} - \frac{U^2}{2} = \text{const}$$

Bernoulli Equation of the Relative Flow

Impulse and Reaction Type of Turbomachines

- Considering Y_p , the turbomachine can be grouped into:
 - A. Turbomachines without pressure difference in front of and beyond the rotor, i.e. $(P_3 - P_0) = 0$ or $Y_p = 0$ ***“Impulse” type of Turbomachines***
 - B. Turbomachines with pressure difference in front and beyond the rotor, i.e. $(P_3 - P_0) \neq 0$ $Y_p > 0$ ***Reaction type of Turbomachines***

❖ For impulse turbines

- The total head of the incoming fluid is converted into a large velocity head at the exit of the supply nozzle.
- Both the pressure drop across the bucket (blade) and the change in relative speed of the fluid across the bucket are negligible.
- The space surrounding the rotor is not completely filled with fluid.
- The individual jets of fluid striking the buckets that generates the torque.

❖ For reaction turbines

- There is both a pressure drop and a fluid relative speed change across the rotor.
- Guide vanes act as nozzle to accelerate the flow and turn it in the appropriate direction as the fluid enters the rotor.
- Part of the pressure drop occurs across the guide vanes and part occurs across the rotor,

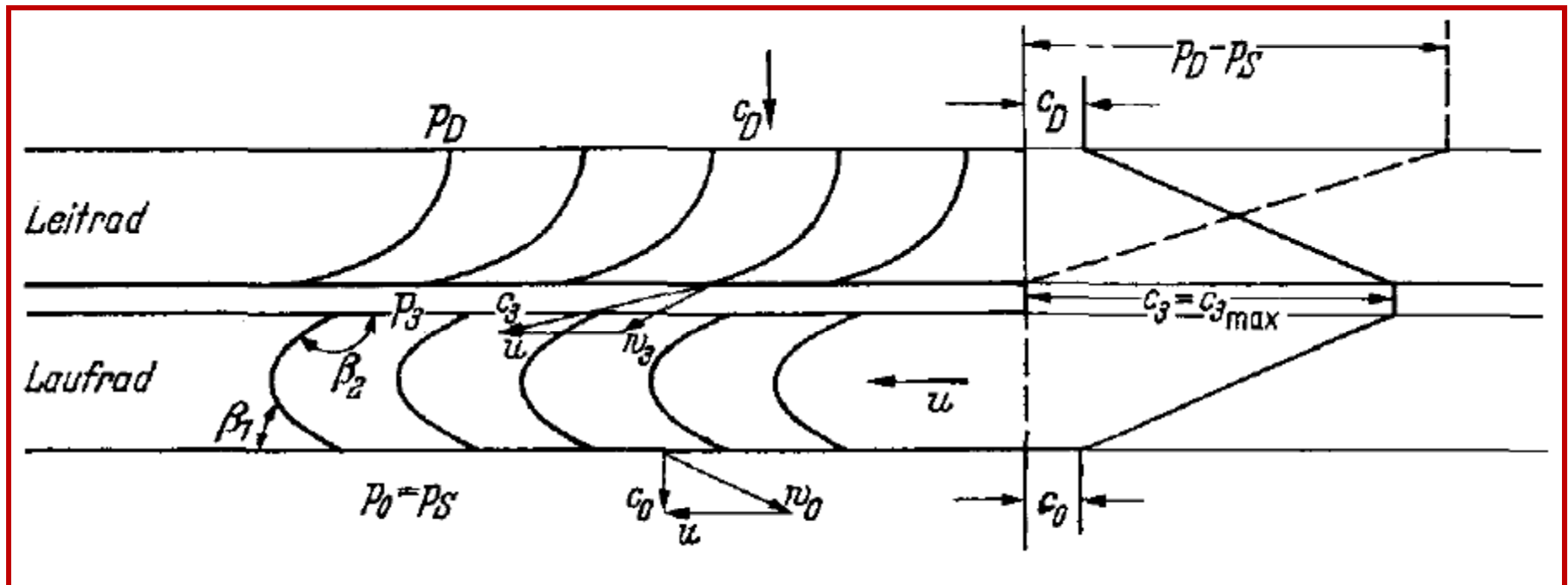
❖ Summary

- **Impulse turbines: High-head, low flowrate devices.**
- **Reaction turbines: Low-head, high-flowrate devices.**

Equal Pressure or Impulse Type of Turbomachines

$$P_3 - P_0 = 0 \text{ and } Y_p = 0$$

- Example a. Single-Stage Steam Turbine



- The entirely available *pressure difference* ($P_3 - P_0$) is converted *into velocity* while the flow passes through the *stationary guide vanes*
- The velocity existing in the clearance between the stationary guide vanes and the rotor blades is the highest one which can be obtained from the available pressure difference, i.e. $C_3 = C_{3\text{max attainable}}$
- The *kinetic energy of the flow entering the rotor is reduced while the flow passes the blade channels, the absolute velocity is reduced from C_3 to C_0 .*
- The specific static rotor work Y_p is (for axial flow $U_1 = U_2 = U$)

$$Y_p = \frac{1}{2} (W_0^2 - W_3^2) + Z_u$$

- Neglecting the hydraulic loss Z_u of the rotor, it follows because $Y_p = 0$.

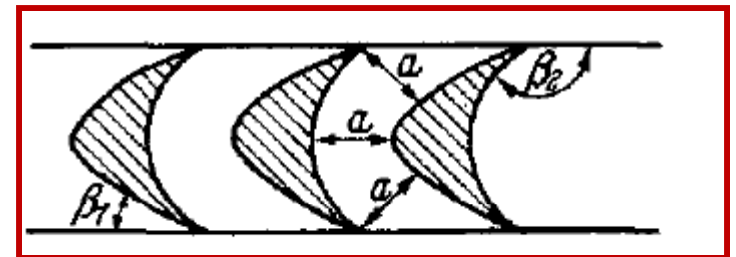
$$W_0 = W_3$$

- Considering the loss:

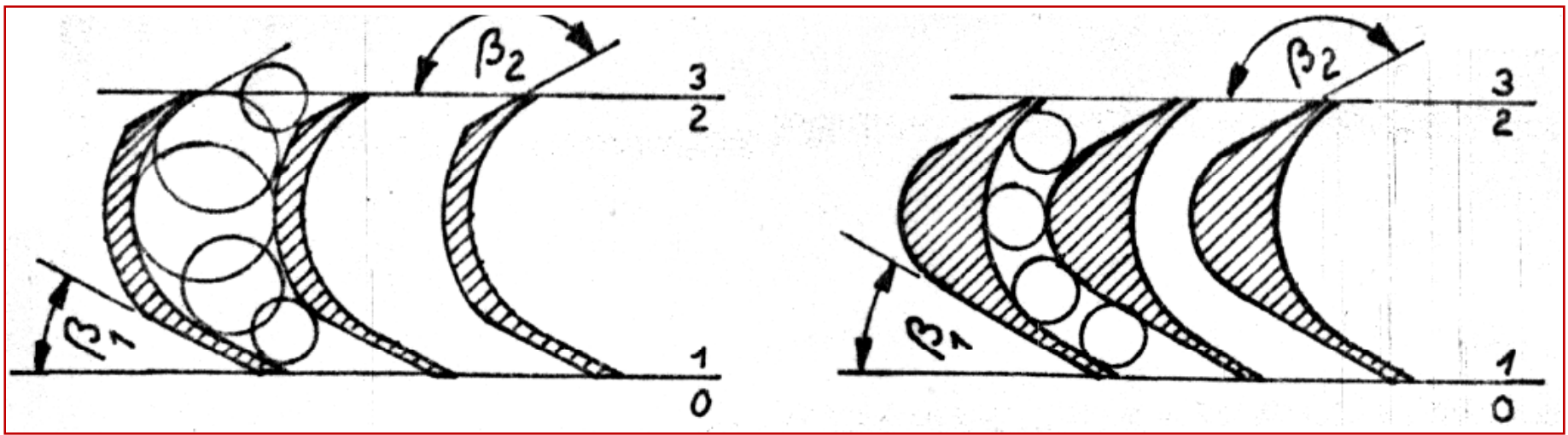
$$W_0 = \phi W_3$$

- Where the velocity coefficient ϕ takes in to account the drop in kinetic energy due to Z_u ; $\phi < 1$.
- The condition $W_0 \approx W_3$ demands rotor blades of the 'hook-form' type, i.e. $\beta_2 > 90^\circ$.

Blades of a constant-pressure steam or Gas turbine. 'a' is the channel width at all points approximately equal



- If blade has uniform thickness, the flow while passing the channel is first decelerated then accelerated.
- Such change in the flow velocity is undesirable as it leads to *unnecessary losses*.
- In order to obtain $W \approx \text{const.}$ along the vane channel the blade be designed with strong profiling; however, such blades are costly



- The specific work Y_{blade} of an impulse steam turbine stage as for a given velocity U_2 proportional to the velocity C_3

$$Y_{blade} = U_2 C_{3U} = U_2 C_3 \cos \alpha_3 \propto C_3 = C_{3max-att.} \quad \text{For } \alpha_0 = 90^\circ$$

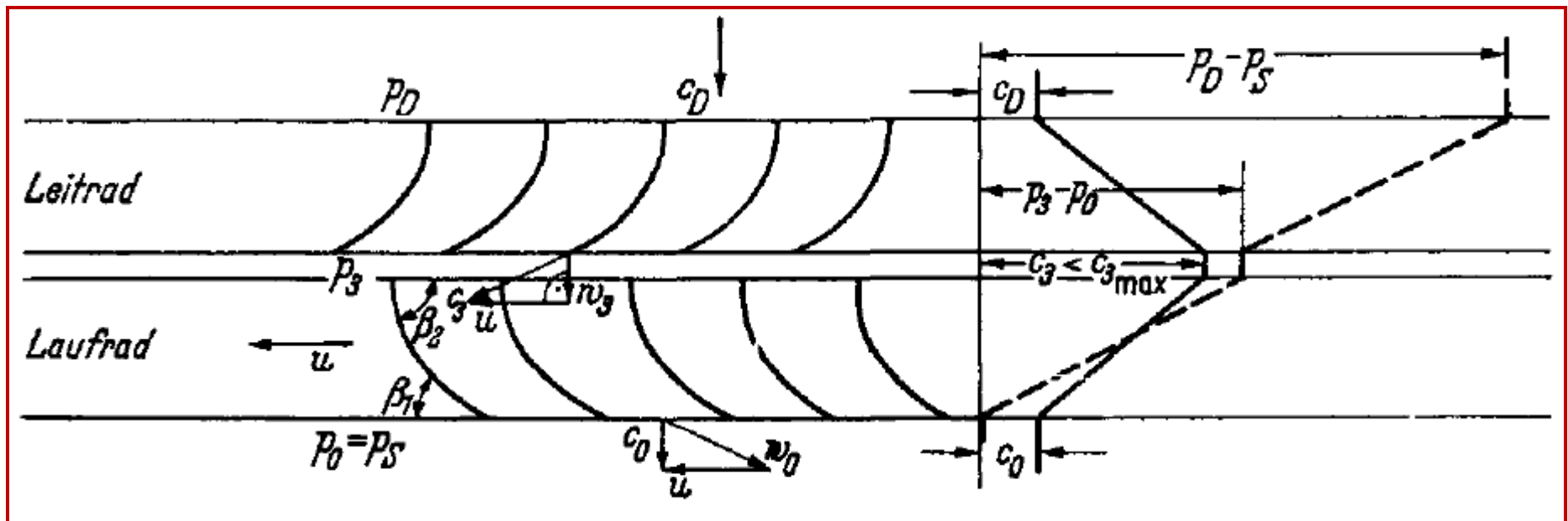
- Steam turbines are designed with approximately the same angle $\alpha_3 = 15$ to 20 degrees.
- As C_3 of impulse steam turbines has highest possible value $C_{3max-att.}$. The spec. work Y_{blade} of these turbines has highest value

$$Y_{blade-impulse\ t.} = Y_{blade-max.att.} \quad \text{for a given } U_2$$

- *The peripheral velocity U_2 will be lowest for a given Y_{blade} if the turbine is designed as impulse turbine*
- **Impulse turbines are slow running turbines**

Over-Pressure or Reaction Type of Turbomachine

- Example: Single-Stage Reaction Steam Turbine



- While the flow passes through the channels of stationary vanes (also called Guide Blades), **only a portion of the available pressure difference ($P_D - P_S$) is converted into velocity**
- Thus $C_3 < C_{3max-attainable}$ and, hence, the spec. work $Y_{blade} = U_2 C_{3U}$ of the reaction turbine is smaller than that of the impulse turbine if the same velocity U_2 is assumed
- ***The velocity U of reaction turbines has to be higher than that of impulse turbines if the same Y_{blade} is to be obtained.***
- **Reaction turbines may be classified as fast running turbomachines.**

- β_1 should be small but not too small as leads to strong whirls in the discharge flow.
- The angle β_2 of reaction turbines is $\beta_2 \leq 90^\circ$ and, thus, differs from that of impulse turbines.
- The blade does not have the hook form. As the relative velocity increases from W_3 to W_0 , the channel width decreases and no profile is necessary in order to obtain equal channel width.
- Reaction turbine has more stages because of the lower Y_{blade} of its single stage.

Degree of Reaction

- In case of the reaction turbine, *the driving force at the rotor is due to change of direction (impulse) and magnitude (reaction) of the relative velocity W .*
- A reaction effect, i.e. *a change of the magnitude of the relative velocity W* in case of the axial-flow machine, is only possible *if a pressure difference exists between the entrance and discharge* side of the rotor.
- Quota of reaction acting is found by comparing total energy Y , with pressure rotor energy (Y_p).

$$\text{Degree of reaction} = \frac{\text{Spec. Static rotor work}}{\text{Spec. work between inlet and outlet (of the stage)}} = \frac{Y_p}{Y}$$

impulse machine : $Y_p = 0$ and $R = 0$

reaction machine : $Y_p > 0$ and $0 < R < 1$ ($R \geq 1$ in some special cases)

The reaction effect exists also in case of radial or mixed flow rotors where $U_1 \neq U_2$ even for $|W_0| = |W_3|$ as shown by the equation

$$Y_p = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(U_2^2 - U_1^2 + W_0^2 - W_3^2) \mp Z_u}{Y} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(U_2^2 - U_1^2) \mp Z_u}{Y} \neq 0$$

Blade Speed Ratio

- The blade speed ratio as defined below is widely used in the calculation of turbines especially of steam turbines.

$$\text{Blade Speed Ratio} = \frac{U}{C_Y} = \frac{U}{\sqrt{2Y}}$$

- $C_Y = \sqrt{2Y}$ is the velocity which could be obtained if the spec. work Y is converted without losses completely into velocity.

$$C_Y \approx \frac{C_2}{\phi \sqrt{1-R}}$$

Where ϕ is velocity coefficient of guide vanes (referring to velocity losses)

After some derivation

$$\frac{U}{C_Y} = \frac{\eta_h}{2\phi \cos \alpha_2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-R}}$$

- Assuming the following data: $\eta_h = 0.85$; $\phi = 0.98$; $\alpha_2 = 30^\circ$.

$$\frac{\eta_h}{2\phi \cos \alpha_2} \approx 1$$

- The blade speed ratio has the value

$$\left(\frac{U}{C_Y}\right)_{R=0} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{for } R=0$$

$$\left(\frac{U}{C_Y}\right)_{R=0.5} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{for } R=0.5$$

- The following values of the blade speed ratio are obtained with actual machines:

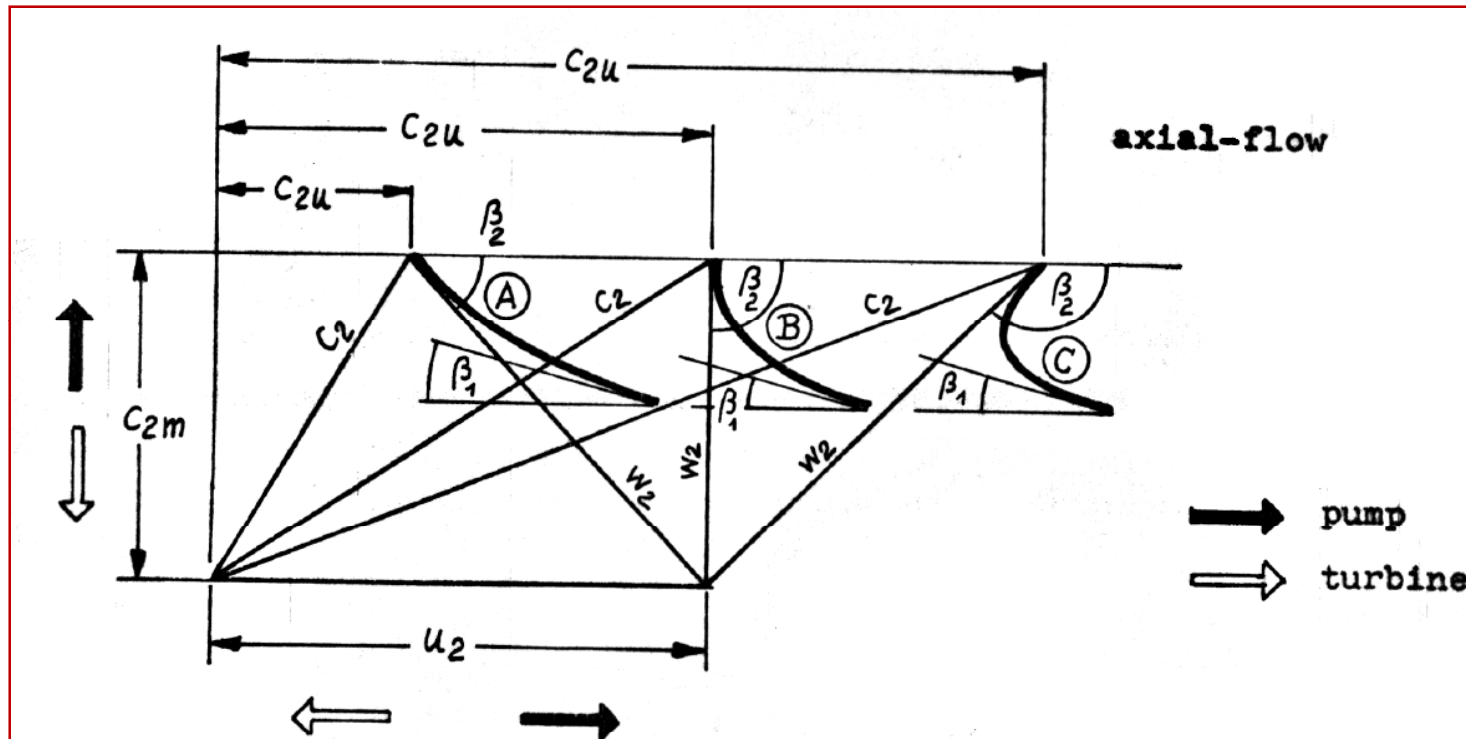
$$\text{impulse steam turbines } \left(\frac{U}{C_Y}\right)_{R=0} = \underbrace{0.35}_{\text{Cheap Design, small power}} \quad \text{to} \quad \underbrace{0.47}_{\text{high quality design large power}} = k'$$

$$\text{reaction steam turbines } \left(\frac{U}{C_Y}\right)_{R>0} \approx \frac{k'}{\sqrt{1-R}} = \frac{0.35 \text{ to } 0.47}{\sqrt{1-R}}$$

$$\text{Pelton Turbines } \left(\frac{U}{C_Y}\right)_{R=0} = 0.44 \text{ to } 0.47$$

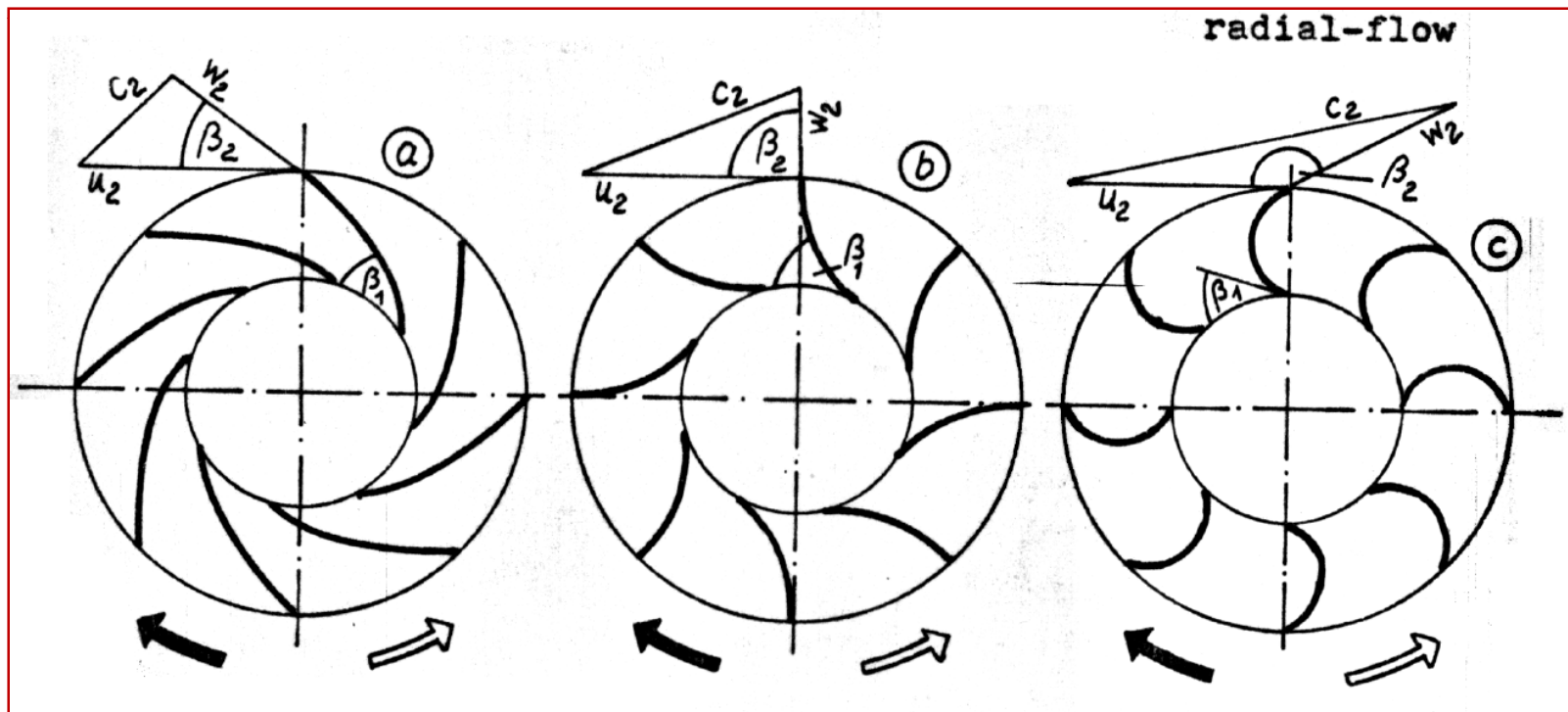
(57) Calculation of Mean Diameter and Peripheral Velocity using the Blade Speed Ratio

The Vane Angle β_2



- Three different axial-flow vanes, namely form A, B, C for which U_2 , C_{2m} and β_1 are the same but the angle β_2 differ

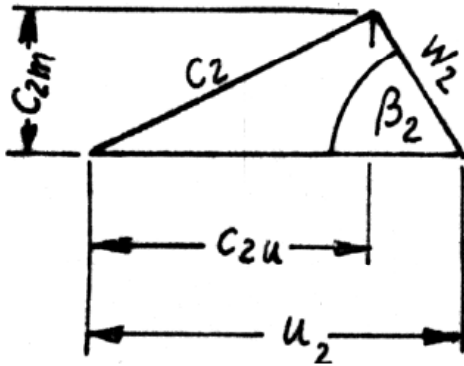
- B_2 is chosen for the form A as $\beta_2 < 90^\circ$, for the form B as $\beta_2 = 90^\circ$ and for the form C as $\beta_2 > 90^\circ$.
- A similar sketch for three different radial-flow vanes with $\beta_2 < 90^\circ$ (form a), $\beta_2 = 90^\circ$ (form b) and $\beta_2 = 90^\circ$ (form c) is given below.



- In case of the radial-flow machine the vanes of the different forms are called
 - Vane form a as ‘backward-curved’ vanes
 - Vanes form b, c as ‘forward-curved’ vanes

The following relation exists between β_2 and U_2

❖ Case: $\alpha_0 = 90^\circ$



$$Y_{blade} = U_2 C_{3U} \text{ and } Y_{blade\infty} = U_2 C_{2u}$$

where, $C_{2u} = U_2 - W_{2U} = U_2 - C_{2m} \cot \beta_2$, then

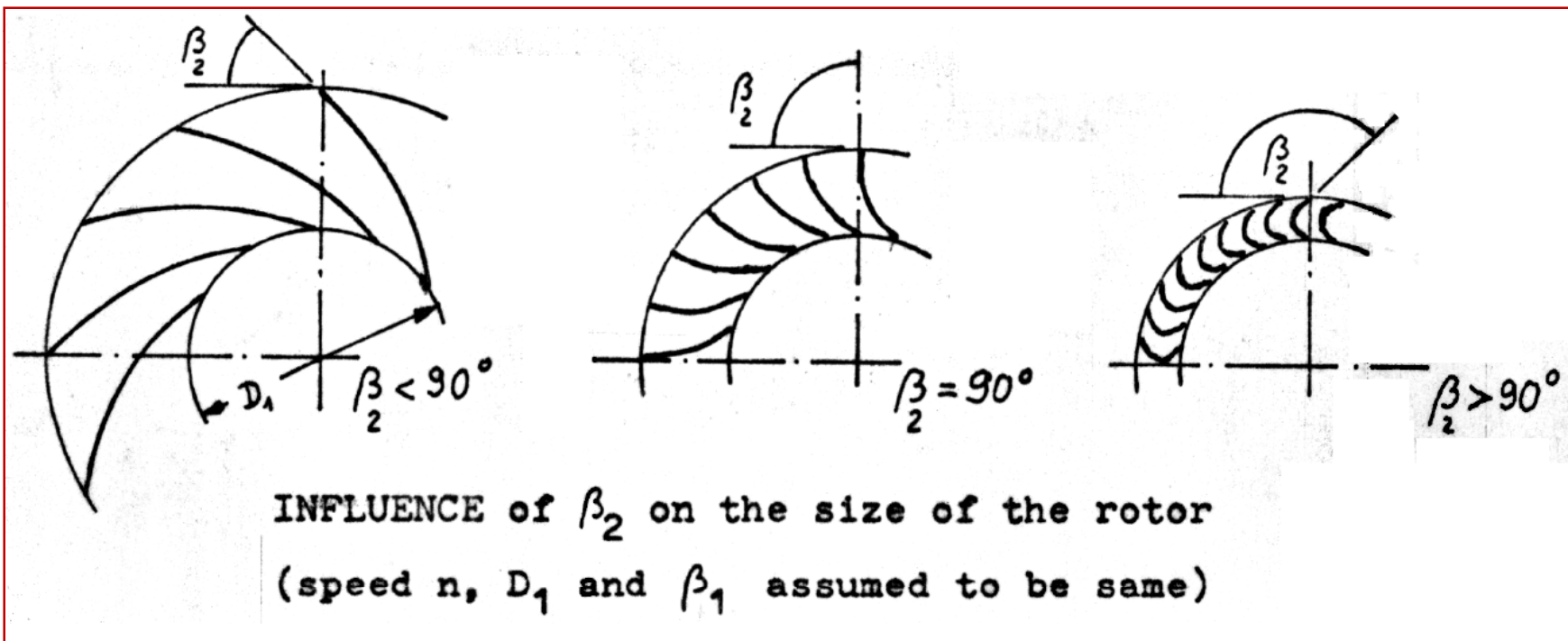
$$Y_{blade\infty} = U_2 (U_2 - C_{2m} \cot \beta_2) \text{ and it follows}$$

$$U_2 = \frac{C_{2m}}{2 \tan \beta_2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{C_{2m}}{2 \tan \beta_2}\right)^2 + Y_{blade\infty}}$$

❖ Case: $\alpha_0 \neq 90^\circ$

$$U_2 = \frac{C_{2m}}{2 \tan \beta_2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{C_{2m}}{2 \tan \beta_2}\right)^2 + Y_{blade\infty} + U_1 C_{OU}}$$

- The necessary peripheral velocity U_2 for a given $Y_{\text{blade}\infty}$ can be determined by these equation if the vane angle β_2 is assumed.
- A large β_2 decreases U_2 and the size of the rotor decreases, too, if the speed n is not altered:



Ranges of β_2 with different types of turbomachines

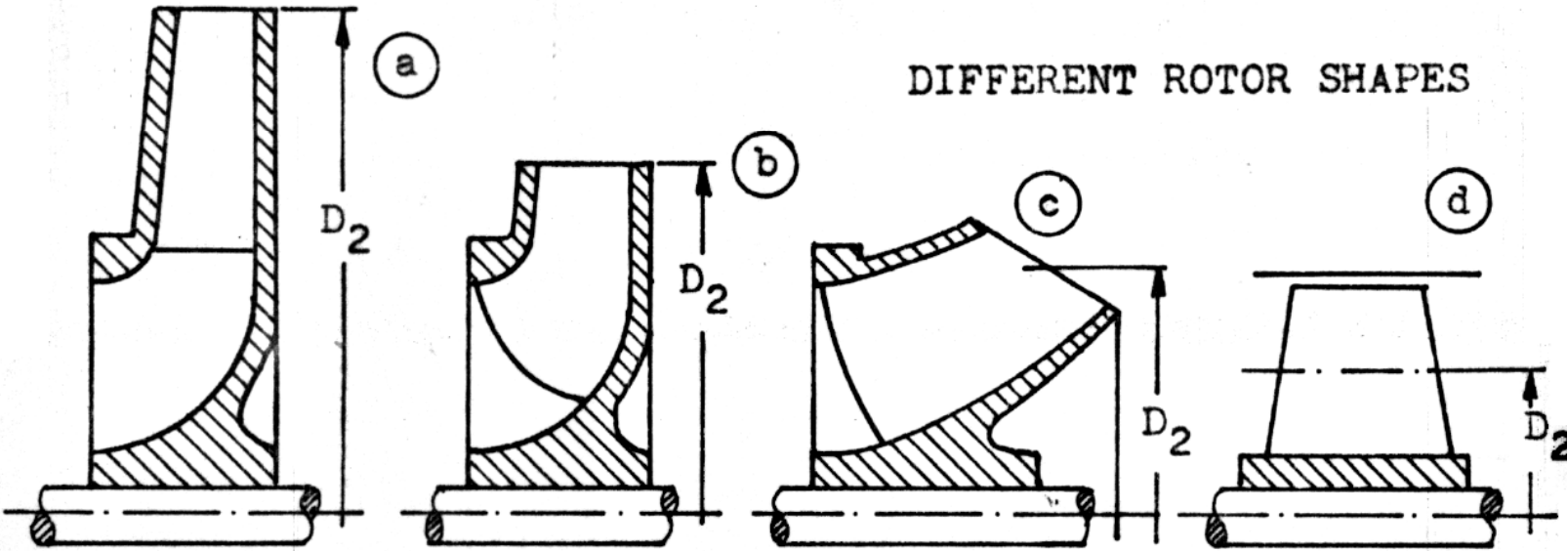
Shape Number, Specific Speed

- The shape of the rotor is determined by the three related values n , Y and V as long as the vane angle β_2 is unchanged.
- 1. Effect of Increase in speed n on the shape of the rotor (with unchanged β_2 , V and Y)
 - ❖ The unchanged Y demands the same velocity triangle at 2.

$$Y \propto Y_{blade} \propto Y_{blade\infty} = U_2 C_{2U}$$

- ❖ The unchanged velocity triangle can be obtained for ***increased speed n but same velocity U as demanded by the unchanged velocity triangle only at a smaller outer diam.***

DIFFERENT ROTOR SHAPES



2. Effect of Increase in V on the shape of the slow running rotor (with unchanged $\beta_2, n, D_2,$ and Y)

- ❖ The larger volume V can be obtained only by increasing the channel width and the eye dia. Ds
- ❖ The meridian component of the velocity must remain unchanged because of the unchanged Y with same n and D_2
- ❖ Demanding and unchanged velocity triangle at 2.

- The rotor shape is a function of n , V and Y .
- **Shape number (N_{shape})** is a dimensionless number and is used to define the shape of the rotor by relating n , V and Y .

$$N_{shape} [1] = \left[n \frac{1}{s} \right]^\alpha \left[V \frac{m^3}{s} \right]^\beta \left[Y \frac{m^2}{s^2} \right]^\gamma, \text{ assume } \alpha = 1;$$

$$1 = \left[\frac{1}{s} \right]^1 \left[\frac{m^3}{s} \right]^\beta \left[\frac{m^2}{s^2} \right]^\gamma = m^0 s^0$$

- It follows

$$\begin{array}{l} m: \quad 3\beta + 2\gamma = 0 \\ S: \quad \underline{-1 - \beta - 2\gamma = 0} \\ \\ \quad \quad -1 + 2\beta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2} \\ \\ \text{thus} \quad 2\gamma = -\frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \gamma = -\frac{3}{4} \end{array}$$

Thus,

$$N_{shape} [1] = n^1 V^{1/2} Y^{3/4} = \frac{n\sqrt{V}}{Y^{3/4}}$$

$$n_{sh} = 1000 N_{shape}$$

- A relation which is based on the head H instead on the spec. work Y is called **Specific Speed**.

$$n_q = \frac{n\sqrt{V}}{H^{3/4}}$$

- Where the values has a unit of n(rpm), V(m³/s) and H(m).
- n_q is not dimensionless for metric system n_q has the following unit

$$n_q = 9.81^{3/4} \left[\frac{m}{s^2} \right]^{3/4} \frac{60s}{1 \text{ min}} N_{shape} = 333 N_{shape} \left[\frac{m^{3/4}}{\sqrt{s \cdot \text{min}}} \right]$$

- For water turbines a specific speed derived from n, H and N is often used.

$$n_s = \frac{n\sqrt{N}}{H^{5/4}}$$

Values of N_{shape} , n_q and n_s :			
	$1000N_{\text{shape}}$	n_q	n_s
Slow- running rotor	33 to 120	11 to 38	40 to 140
Medium-running rotor	120 to 250	38 to 82	140 to 300
Fast –running rotor	250 to 500	82 to 164	300 to 600
axial-flow rotor	330 to 1500	110 to 500	400 to 1800