

DOCUMENTATION OF
AXIAL_DESCENT_ASCENT_OPERATING_
CURVES_ROTOR FUNCTION

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Chapter 1

Documentation

1.1 Algorithm Description

The function plots $w(V_\infty)$ and $P(V_\infty)$ curves according to rotor's simply impulsive theory.

To achieve this objective in the first step we defined the following vectors:

- ALTITUDE
- ASCENT VELOCITY
- DESCENT VELOCITY

Density is then calculated from the altitude vector with the MATLAB function *atmosisa*.

After calculated the density, the axial hovering induction is obtained from the following relation derived by rotor's simply impulsive theory:

$$w_h = \sqrt{\frac{Mg}{2\rho(h)\pi r^2}} \quad (1.1)$$

From this value, we calculated the non-dimensional variables:

- $\tilde{V} = \frac{V_\infty}{w_h}$
- $\tilde{w}_{\text{ascent}} = -\frac{\tilde{V}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{V}^2}{4} + 1}$
- $\tilde{w}_{\text{descent}} = -\frac{\tilde{V}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{V}^2}{4} - 1}$
- $\tilde{P}_{\text{ascent}} = \tilde{V} + \tilde{w}_{\text{ascent}}$
- $\tilde{P}_{\text{descent}} = \tilde{V} + \tilde{w}_{\text{descent}}$

Then, we used some cycles to obtain the matrices including the values of induction and power that are two variables functions.

Subsequently these functions are plotted and the obtained results are showed in following Figures.

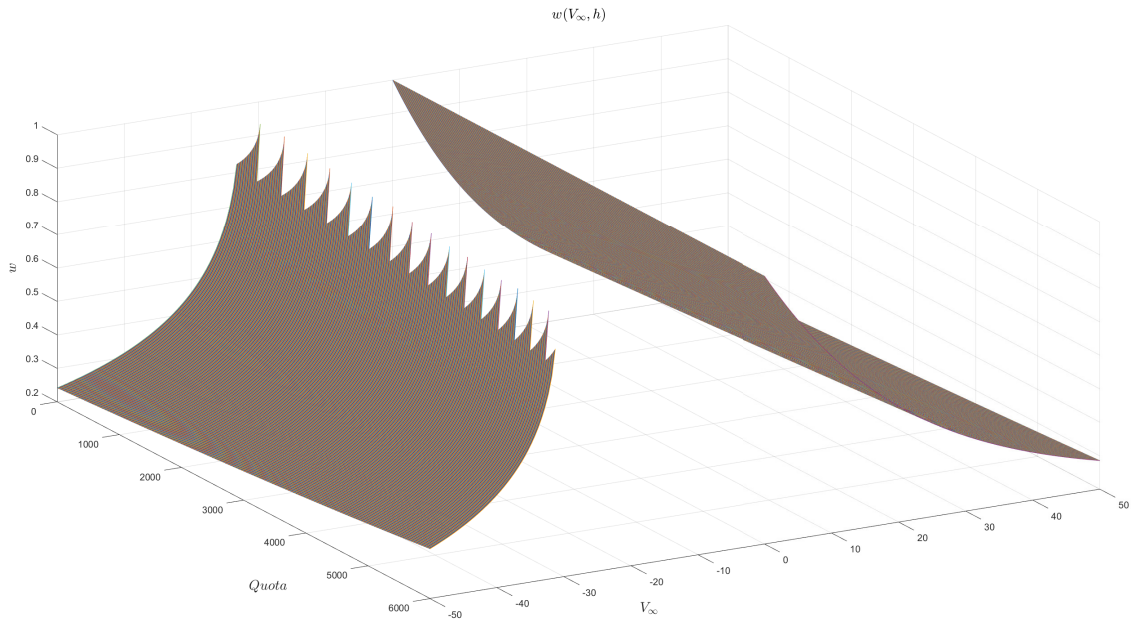


Figure 1.1: Induction

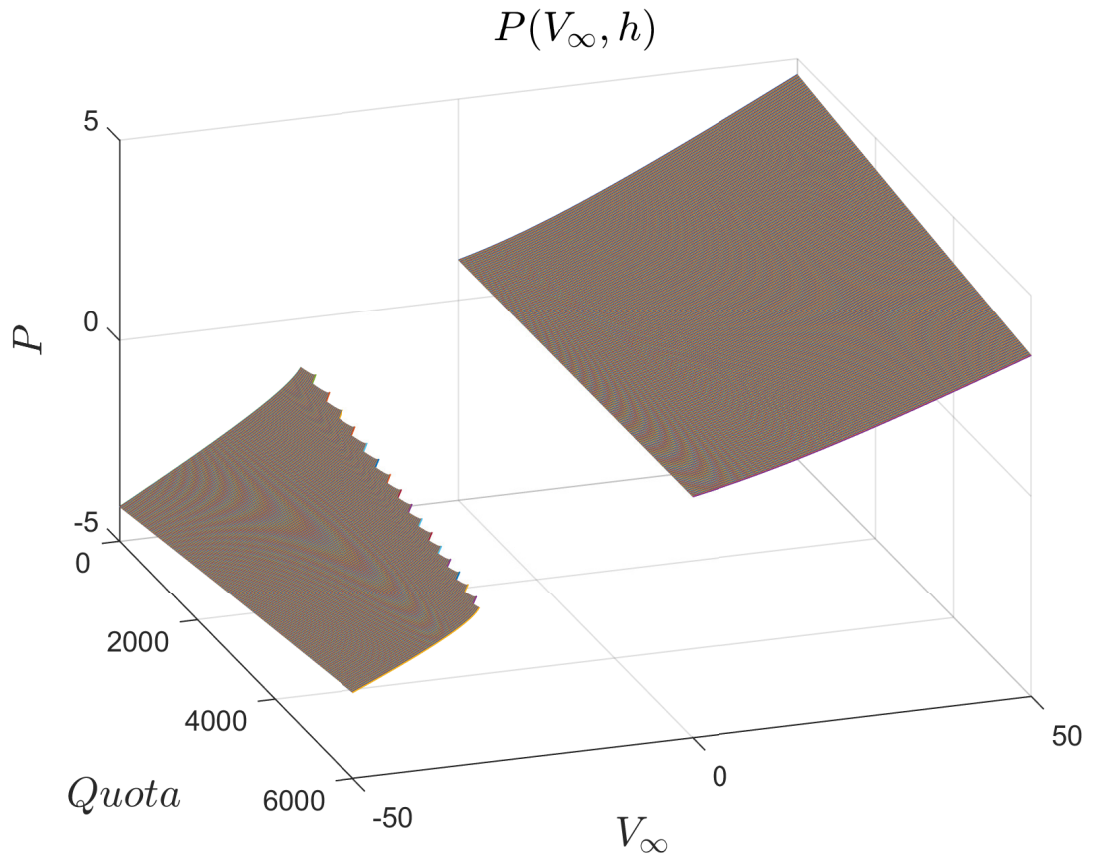


Figure 1.2: Power

In the code the user has also the possibility to insert the interest altitude: for example, choosing an altitude of 2000 metres we are obtained the following curves:

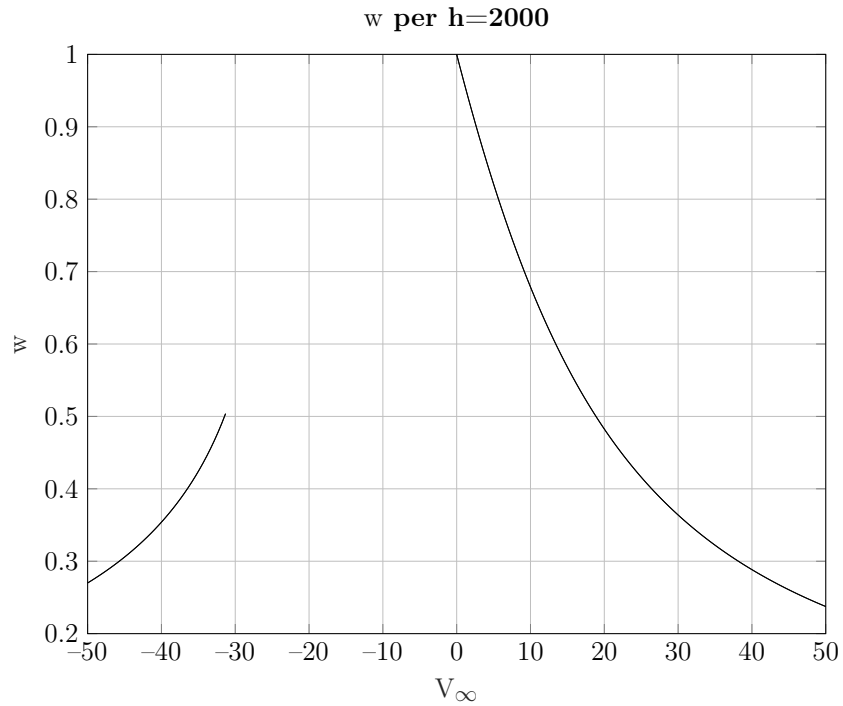


Figure 1.3: Induction

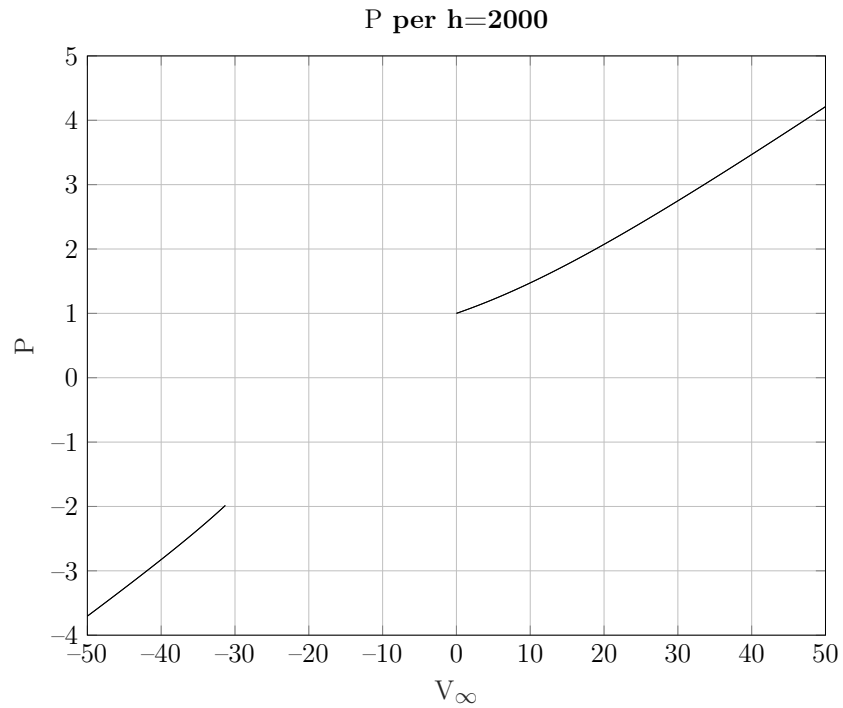


Figure 1.4: Power

1.2 Input and Output

The function takes in input:

- ROTORCRAFT'S MASS
- ROTOR'S RADIUS

The outputs are the plots of induction and power as well as reported in section 1.1

1.3 Errors indicator

The plots in axial descent operating condition have been obtained within the validity limits of simply impulsive theory, that's until when $V_\infty < -2w$.

1.4 Test Case

The outputs of the test case are the plots reported in section 1.1. The numerical values in input for those plots are:

- ROTORCRAFT'S MASS = 5000kg
- ROTOR'S RADIUS = 7m

Appendices

Appendix A

Function's code

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function [Power,Induction]=Axial_Descent_Ascent_Operating_Curves_Rotor(M,R)

%% Function Main

%Variables Definition
hh = linspace(0,6000,1000);
VVs = linspace(0, 50, 100);
VVd = linspace(-50, 0, 100);
g = 9.81;

%Axial Induction

[~,~,~,rho1] = atmosisa(hh);

rho = @(h) interp1(hh,rho1,h, 'pchip');
wh = @(h) sqrt((M*g)/(2*rho(h)*pi*R^2));

% Non-Dimensional Variables Definition
V_tilde = @(V,h) V/wh(h);

%Non Dimensional Induction
w_tilde_salita = @(V,h) (-V_tilde(V,h)/2) + sqrt((V_tilde(V,h)/2)^2+1);
w_tilde_discesa = @(V,h) (-V_tilde(V,h)/2) - sqrt((V_tilde(V,h)/2)^2-1);

WTS = zeros(length(hh),length(VVs)); %Ascent Induction
WTD = zeros(length(hh),length(VVd)); %Descent Induction
aa = zeros(1,length(hh)); %Control Parameter

% Matrices fill
for i = 1 : length(hh)
    for j = 1 : length(VVs)
        WTS(i,j) = w_tilde_salita(VVs(j),hh(i));
    end
end

for i = 1 : length(hh)
    for j = 1 : length(VVd)
        if V_tilde(VVd(j),hh(i)) < -2 %Validity limit of simply impulsive theory;
            WTD(i,j) = w_tilde_discesa(VVd(j),hh(i));
            aa(1,i) = j;
        else
            WTD(i,j) = 0;
        end
    end
end

%Non-Dimensional Power

P_tilde_salita = @(V,h) V_tilde(V,h) + w_tilde_salita(V,h);
P_tilde_discesa = @(V,h) V_tilde(V,h) + w_tilde_discesa(V,h);

PTS = zeros(length(hh),length(VVs)); %Ascent Power
PTD = zeros(length(hh),length(VVd)); %Descent Power
bb = zeros(1,length(hh)); %Control Parameter

% Matrices fill
for i = 1 : length(hh)
    for j = 1 : length(VVs)
        PTS(i,j) = P_tilde_salita(VVs(j),hh(i));
    end
end

for i = 1 : length(hh)
    for j = 1 : length(VVd)
        if V_tilde(VVd(j),hh(i)) < -2 %Validity limit of simply impulsive theory;
            PTD(i,j) = P_tilde_discesa(VVd(j),hh(i));
            bb(1,i) = j;
        else
            break
        end
    end
end
end

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%%
% 3D Plots of Induction [output]
figure(1)
plot3(hh(1)*ones(1,length(WTS(1,:))),VVs,WTS(1,:))
hold on
for i = 2 : length(hh)
    plot3(hh(i)*ones(1,length(WTS(i,:))),VVs,WTS(i,:))
end
for i = 1 : length(hh)
    plot3(hh(i)*ones(1,length(WTD(i,1:aa(i)))),VVD(1,1:aa(i)),WTD(i,1:aa(i)))
end
xlabel('$Quota$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
ylabel('$V_{\infty}$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
zlabel('$w$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
grid on
title('$w (V_{\infty}, h)$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
view(71,32)

% 3D Plots of Power [output]
figure(2)
plot3(hh(1)*ones(1,length(PTS(1,:))),VVs,PTS(1,:))
hold on
for i = 2 : length(hh)
    plot3(hh(i)*ones(1,length(PTS(i,:))),VVs,PTS(i,:))
end
for i = 1 : length(hh)
    plot3(hh(i)*ones(1,length(PTD(i,1:bb(i)))),VVD(1,1:bb(i)),PTD(i,1:bb(i)))
end
xlabel('$Quota$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
ylabel('$V_{\infty}$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
zlabel('$P$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
grid on
title('$P (V_{\infty}, h)$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
view(71,32)

%% Insertion of Interest Altitude;

prompt = {'Inserire la quota di interesse in metri [min=0,Max=6000]: '};
dlgtitle = 'Quota';
dims = [1 35];
answer = inputdlg(prompt,dlgtitle,dims);
hnew = str2double(answer{1});

WTSnew = zeros(1,length(VVs)); %Vector Initialization of axial ascent induction related to velocity
WTDnew = zeros(1,length(VVD)); %Vector Initialization of axial descent induction related to velocity

% Matrices fill
for j = 1 : length(VVs)
    WTSnew(1,j) = w_tilde_salita(VVs(j),hnew);
end

for j = 1 : length(VVD)
    if V_tilde(VVD(j),hh(i)) < -2 %Validity limit of simply impulsive theory;
        WTDnew(1,j) = w_tilde_discesa(VVD(j),hnew);
        aaneu = j;
    else
        break
    end
end

PTSnew = zeros(1,length(VVs));
PTDnew = zeros(1,length(VVD));

for j = 1 : length(VVs)
    PTSnew(1,j) = P_tilde_salita(VVs(j),hnew);
end

for j = 1 : length(VVD)
    if V_tilde(VVD(j),hh(i)) < -2 %Validity limit of simply impulsive theory;
        PTDnew(1,j) = P_tilde_discesa(VVD(j),hnew);
        bbneu = j;
    else
        break
    end
end

%%
% 2D Plots of induction [Output]
figure(3)
plot(VVs, WTSnew, '-k')
hold on
plot(VVD(1:aaneu), WTDnew(1:aaneu), '-k')
grid on
xlabel('$V_{\infty}$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
ylabel('$w$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
title(['$w$ per h=' num2str(hnew)], 'Interpreter', 'latex')
matlab2tikz('D:\Universit \Magistrale\AerodinamicaAlaRotante\Matlab\EliiTAARG\Figure\Induzione2d.tex');

% 2D Plots of power [Output]
figure(4)
plot(VVs, PTSnew, '-k')
hold on
plot(VVD(1:bbneu), PTDnew(1:bbneu), '-k')
grid on
xlabel('$V_{\infty}$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
ylabel('$P$', 'Interpreter', 'latex', 'FontSize', 15)
title(['$P$ per h=' num2str(hnew)], 'Interpreter', 'latex')
matlab2tikz('D:\Universit \Magistrale\AerodinamicaAlaRotante\Matlab\EliiTAARG\Figure\Potenza2d.tex');

%%
% Numerical Output of Power and Induction for the interest altitude;
Power = [PTDnew(1:bbneu), PTSnew];
Induction = [WTDnew(1:aaneu), WTSnew];
end

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