

# MAE 158 Lecture 19

## Dec. 5 2024

Announcements: Drag Project due Friday  
11:59pm

- note - if late, submission  
will be marked down -25%  
for every 24 hours late

- Extra credit practice quiz

Fri 12am - Mon 11:59pm

Topics: Stability & propulsion

- Final Exam Thurs Dec 12<sup>th</sup>

1:30pm - 3:30pm

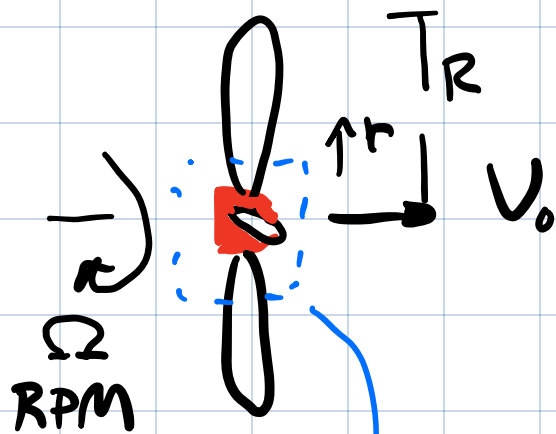
- Cumulative but heavy focus on second  $\frac{1}{2}$  of course content
- 4 problems, each w/ multiple parts, conceptual + solve probs
- allowed 1 two-sided  
8.5" x 11" cheatsheet

Today's objectives: Propulsion (Aircraft)  
propeller + Electric A/C

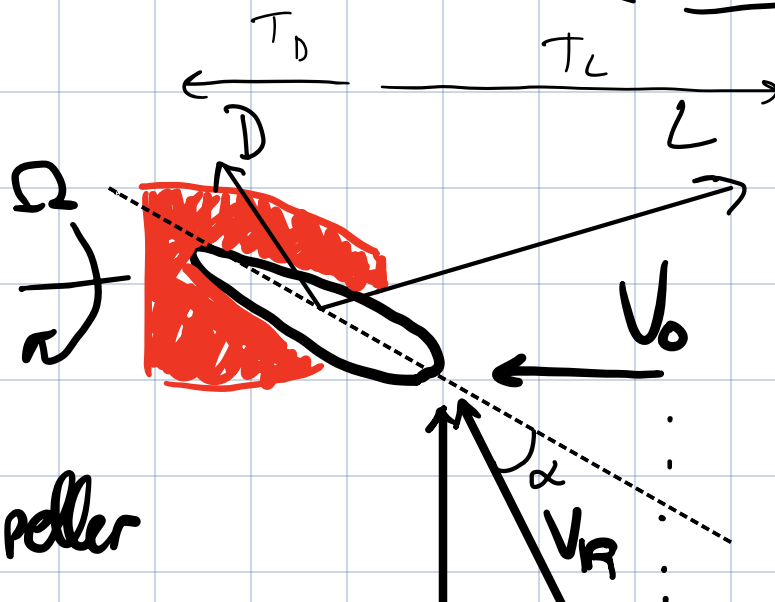
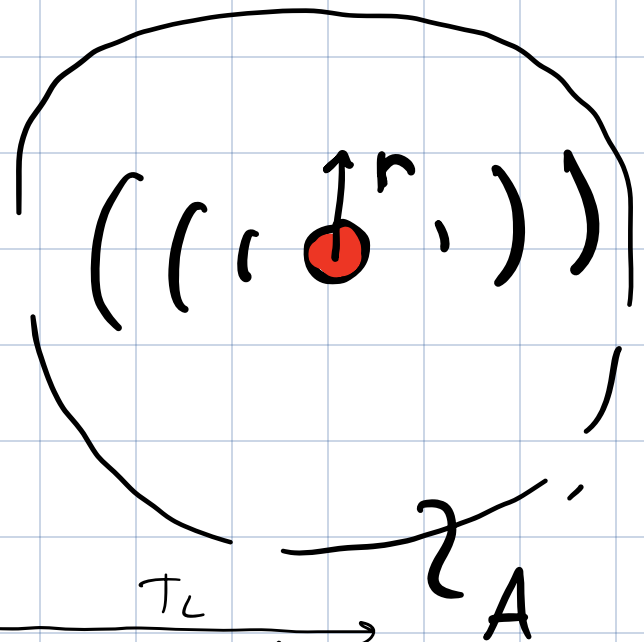
$$\eta_P = \frac{2}{V_i/V_0 + 1} \quad \text{for jet aircraft}$$

propeller (not gas turbine)

side view



front view



slice of propeller

$V_R =$   
Resultant

blade @ radius  
 $r$  from center  
of Propeller

$$\Omega r$$

velocity  
vector

Thrust component due to lift

+ Thrust component due to  
drag

= Net Thrust

produced by  
local blade  
section

because  $\Omega r$  changes  
along the blade length,  
analytical solutions for

the total thrust difficult to  
solve  $\rightarrow$  integral summation

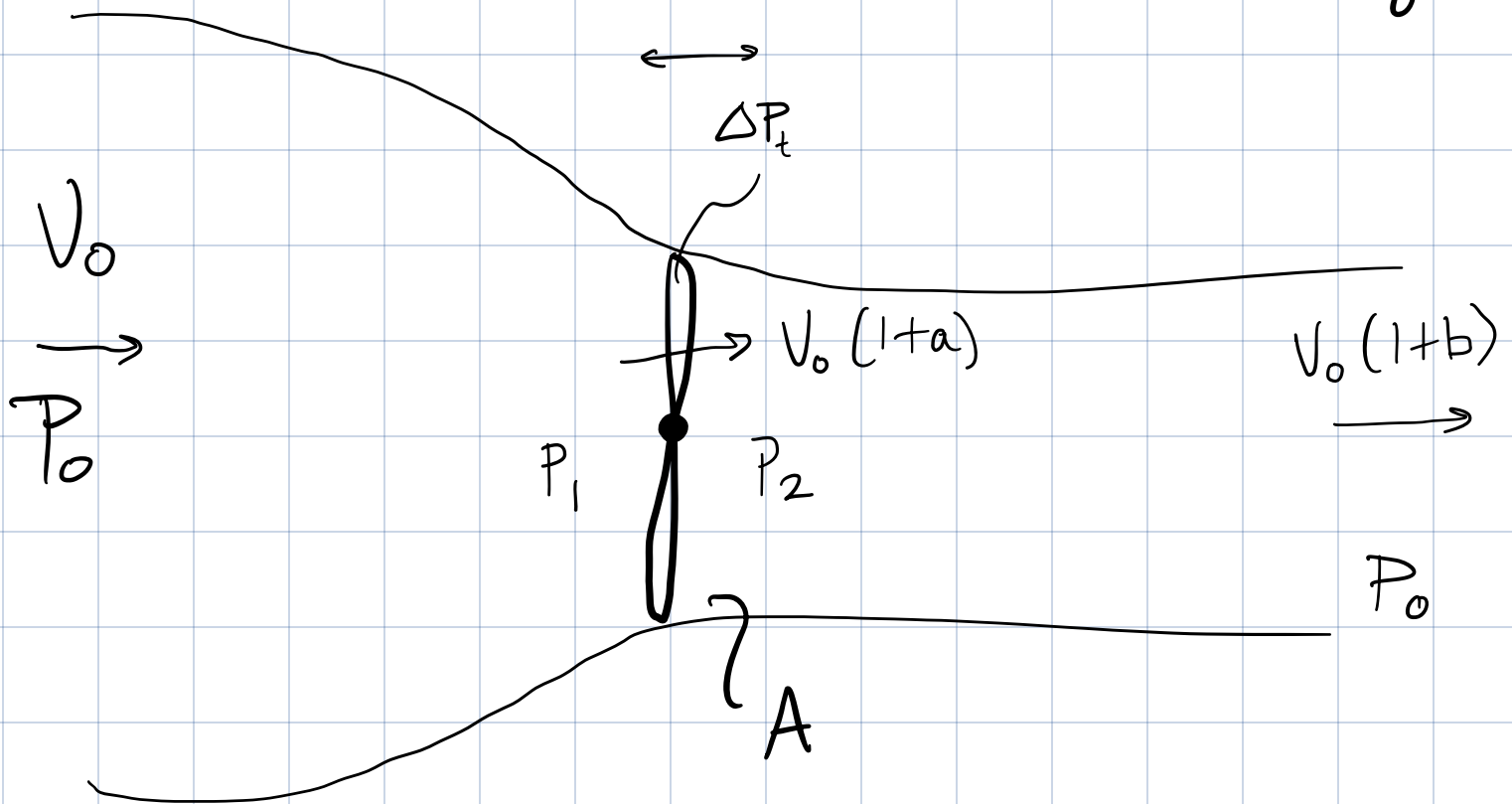
along the blade

↳ Blade element theory

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for initial thrust predictions

use actuator Disk theory



Bernoulli's equations to solve for  
 $\Delta P_t$

ahead of disk

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_1} &= P_1 + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_0 + aV_0)^2 \\ &= P_0 + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_0)^2 \end{aligned}$$

behind disk

$$\begin{aligned} P_{t_2} &= P_2 + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_0 + aV_0)^2 \\ &= P_0 + \frac{\rho}{2} (\underbrace{V_0 + bV_0})^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta P_t &= P_{t_2} - P_{t_1} = \frac{\rho}{2} (2bV_0^2 + b^2V_0^2) \\ &= \underline{\rho V_0^2 \left(1 + \frac{b}{2}\right) b} \end{aligned}$$

Recall thrust is Rate

of change of momentum

$$T = \underbrace{\rho(V_0 + aV_0)}_{\text{velocity through the propeller}} A \left( \underbrace{V_0 + bV_0}_{\text{aft}} - \underbrace{V_0}_{\text{fwd}} \right)$$

$$= \rho (V_0 + aV_0) A b V_0$$

$$T = \Delta P_t \cdot A = A \rho V_0^2 (1 + b/2) b$$

thus  $\rho (V_0 + aV_0) b V_0 = \rho V_0^2 (1 + b/2) b$

$$\rightarrow a = b/2$$

$$\text{Thrust} = 2 A \rho V_0^2 (1+a)a$$

What is the KE through propeller?

$$\Delta KE = \Delta \frac{m v^2}{2}$$

$$= \frac{m (V_0 (1+b))^2}{2} - \frac{m V_0^2}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\rho A V_0 (1+a)}{2} ( [V_0 (1+b)]^2 - V_0^2 )$$

↳ Recall  $a = b/2$

$$= 2 A \rho V_0^3 (1+a)^2 a$$

$$\Delta KE = T \cdot V_0 (1+a)$$

I can use this to get propeller efficiency (ideal efficiency)

$$\eta_{\text{propeller}} = \frac{\text{Output work}}{\text{input Energy}} = \frac{\cancel{T} \cdot \cancel{V_0}}{\cancel{T} \cdot \cancel{V_0} \cdot (1+a)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+a)} \rightarrow \text{ideal propeller efficiency}$$

for a given Thrust, can solve  
for  $a \rightarrow$  use to get  $\eta_{\text{propeller}}$   
efficiency



$$\text{Ex: Thrust} = 1750 \text{ lb}$$

What is ideal Efficiency for a propeller?

$$\text{diameter} = 14 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Velocity} = 304 \text{ knots} = V_0$$

$$\rho = 0.00126 \text{ slug/ft}^3$$

$$T = 2A\rho V_0^2(1+a)a$$

↓

↗ ↖

$\frac{\pi}{4}(14\text{ft})^2$        $304\text{knots} \times 1.69$

$$= 103000(a + a^2) = 1750$$

→ move over to one side

$$a^2 + a - 0.017 = 0$$

quadratic equation

$$a = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1)(-0.017)}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-1 \pm 1.03}{2} \quad \leadsto \text{positive solution}$$

$$\sim 0.017 = a$$

$$\eta = \frac{1}{1+a} = 0.98$$

# Range for fuel burning Aircraft

$$R = \frac{V}{C_T} \frac{L}{D} \ln \left( \frac{W_0}{W_1} \right)$$

$$= \eta_o h_f \frac{L}{D} \ln \left( \frac{W_0}{W_1} \right)$$

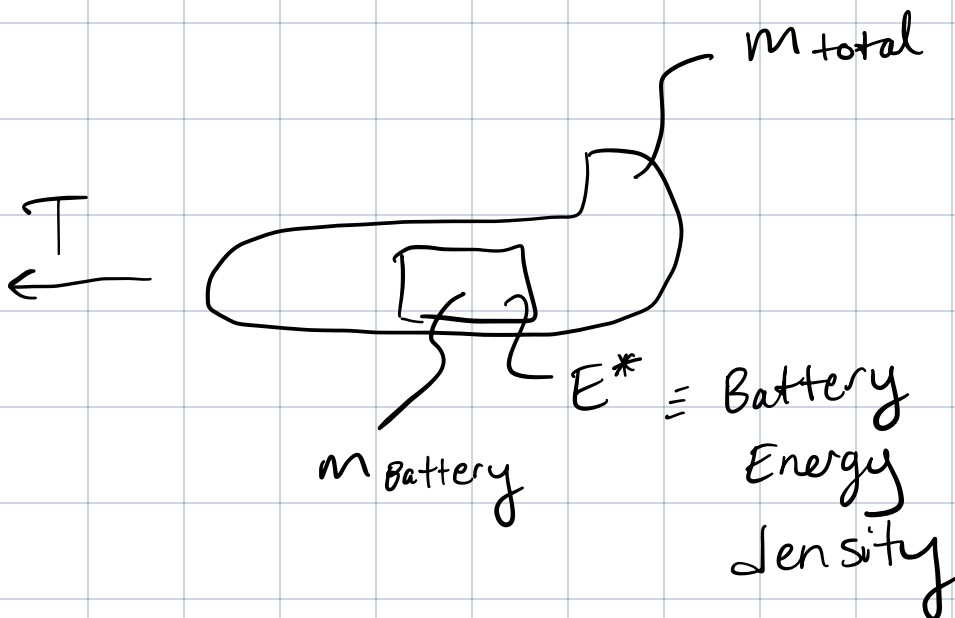
↑  
engine

↑  
fuel type

↑  
charge weight  
from burning  
fuel

What if I have energy on board, but I don't burn fuel?

↳ Batteries →  $\frac{W_0}{W_1} = 1$



used to produce work

$$E = T \cdot d$$

↑  
total energy  
available

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$$E = m_{\text{battery}} \cdot E^* \cdot \eta_0$$

What is  $T$ ?

Steady level flight  $T = \frac{W}{(L/D)}$

↙

$$T \cdot d = m_{\text{battery}} \cdot E^* \cdot \eta_0$$

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$$d = \frac{E^* \cdot m_{\text{battery}} \cdot \eta_0}{W / (L/D)}$$

$$= E^* \cdot \frac{M_{\text{battery}}}{M_{\text{total}}} \cdot \frac{1}{g} \cdot \frac{L}{D} \cdot \eta_o$$

$\uparrow$  energy source       $\uparrow$  ratio of weights       $\uparrow$  aero efficiency       $\nwarrow$  engine efficiency

= Range for Electric Aircraft

to maximize R. of electric AC

$L/D$  max

$\frac{M_{\text{Batt}}}{M_{\text{total}}}$  high as possible

let's compare Range of a  
"Electrified" B747

to traditional jet fuel  
burning A/c

assume  $\frac{m_{\text{fuel}}}{m_{\text{total}}} = 0.44 = \frac{m_{\text{Batt}}}{m_{\text{total}}}$

$$L/D = 17$$

$$\eta_0 \approx 0.33 \text{ for the traditional jet engine}$$

$$\eta_0 \approx 0.8 \text{ for electric}$$

$$W_0 = 735\,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$R_{\text{jet}} = h_f \cdot \eta_0 \frac{L}{D} \ln\left(\frac{W_0}{W_1}\right)$$

$$h_f \approx 14.3 \text{ million } \frac{\text{ft-lb}}{\text{lb}}$$

$$= (0.33)(17)(14.3 \text{ mill}) \cdot \ln\left(\frac{735000 \text{ lb}}{735000(1-0.44)}\right)$$

$$= \underline{7700 \text{ nm}} \sim \underline{14500 \text{ km}}$$

$$R_{\text{elec}} = E^* \left( \frac{m_{\text{Batt}}}{m_{\text{tot}}} \right) \frac{1}{g} \frac{L}{D} \eta_0$$

$$E^* \approx 300 \frac{\text{Wh}}{\text{kg}} = 1.08 \frac{\text{MJ}}{\text{kg}}$$

$$= (1.08 \times 10^6)(0.44) \frac{1}{9.8} 17 \cdot 0.8$$

$$= \underline{660 \text{ km}} \quad \text{!}$$

