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1. INTRODUCTION

Conventional engineering laws such as Eq. (1) are irrational because:

$$q = h\Delta T \quad (1)$$

- If q is a nonlinear function of ΔT (as in free convection, condensation, and boiling), h is a *variable*. Consequently Eq. (1) has *three* variables (q , h , and ΔT) to describe how *two* variables (q and ΔT) are related. It is *irrational* to use equations that have *three* variables to describe how *two* variables are related.

- The laws are based on Fourier's *erroneous* claims that dimensions *can* rationally be assigned to *numbers*, and parameter dimensions *can* rationally be multiplied or divided.

The proposed paradigm shift *requires* that parameter symbols in equations represent *only* numerical values, and if an equation is *quantitative*, the dimension units that underlie parameter symbols *must* be specified in an accompanying nomenclature. The proposed paradigm shift results in the replacement of laws that are analogs of Eq. (1) with laws that are analogs of Eq (2).

$$y = f\{x\} \quad (2)$$

Equation (2) states that the *numerical value* of parameter y is a function of the *numerical value* of parameter x , and the function may be proportional, linear, or nonlinear. The new laws make it *much simpler* to learn and apply engineering science because they *always* contain only *two* variables, and because *all* parameters (such as h and E) that were created by assigning dimensions to *numbers* are *abandoned*. They are *not* replaced because they are *not* necessary.

a) Dimensional Homogeneity until 1822

Until 1822, scientists and engineers such as Galileo and Newton agreed that:

- Parameter symbols in proportions and equations represent numerical value *and* dimension.
- Parameters *cannot* be multiplied or divided because parameter dimensions *cannot* be multiplied or divided.¹
- Equations *cannot* describe how parameters are related because parameters *cannot* be multiplied or divided.
- Proportions need *not* be dimensionally homogeneous.
- Equations *must* be dimensionally homogeneous.

Because proportions need *not* be dimensionally homogeneous, and because proportions that relate two

¹ However, a dimension *can* be divided by the *same* dimension. For example, meters *can* be divided by meters, and seconds *can* be divided by seconds, but meters *cannot* be divided by seconds. In the qualitative equations that result, all terms are dimensionless ratios. This methodology was used by Galileo.

parameters do *not* require that parameters be multiplied or divided, proportions are generally used instead of equations. That is why Hooke's [2] law is Proportion (3) instead of an equation, Newton's [3] law of cooling² is Proportion (4) instead of Eq. (5), and Newton's [4] second law of motion is Proportion (6) instead of Eq. (7).

$$\sigma \propto \varepsilon \quad (3)$$

$$(dT_{\text{body}}/dt) \propto (T_{\text{air}} - T_{\text{body}}) \quad (4)$$

$$q = h\Delta T \quad (5)$$

$$a \propto f \quad (6)$$

$$f = ma \quad (7)$$

b) *Fourier's Heat Transfer Experiment, and the Proportion and Equation that Resulted*

Fourier performed a heat transfer experiment in which a warm, solid body is cooled by the steady-state forced convection of ambient air. Fourier concluded that Proportion (8) and Eq. (9) correlate the data.

$$q \propto \Delta T \quad (8)$$

$$q = c\Delta T \quad (9)$$

Newton and his colleagues would have been satisfied by Proportion (8), but it did *not* satisfy Fourier because he wanted an *equation*, and it *had* to be dimensionally homogeneous. Equation (9) did *not* satisfy Fourier because it is *not* dimensionally homogeneous.

c) *Fourier's Revolutionary and Unproven View of Dimensional Homogeneity that Enabled him to Transform in Homogeneous Eq. (9) to Homogeneous Eq. (10)*

Fourier recognized that Eq. (9) could be transformed to a dimensionally homogeneous equation *only* if it were rational to *assign* dimensions to *number c* in Eq. (9), *and* rational to *multiply and divide* parameter dimensions. Fourier [1] describes his *revolutionary* and *unproven* view of dimensional homogeneity in the following:

... every undetermined magnitude or constant has one dimension proper to itself, and the terms of one and the same equation could not be compared, if they had not the same exponent of dimension. . . this consideration is derived from primary notions on quantities; for which

reason, in geometry and mechanics, it is the equivalent of the fundamental lemmas which the Greeks have left us *without proof*.

It is important to note that, in Fourier's nearly 500 page treatise, *The Analytical Theory of Heat* [1], he made *no effort* to prove that his view of dimensional homogeneity is rational. He did *not* include the Greek lemmas, he did *not* cite a reference where the Greek lemmas could be found, and he did *not* include his own proof.

Fourier's *revolutionary* view of dimensional homogeneity includes the following *erroneous* claims:

- Dimensions *can* be assigned to *numbers*.
- Parameter *dimensions* *can* be multiplied or divided.

In accordance with his *erroneous* view of dimensional homogeneity, Fourier *assigned* the symbol *h* and the dimension of $q/\Delta T$ to *number c* in Eq. (9), then *multiplied* *h* and ΔT , resulting in dimensionally homogeneous Eq. (10).

$$q = h\Delta T \quad (10)$$

d) *The Definition of h*

American heat transfer texts generally do not define *h*. Nomenclatures in heat transfer texts generally state only that *h* is "heat transfer coefficient". However, rearranging Eq. (10) results in Eq. (11).

$$h = q/\Delta T \quad (11)$$

Equations (10) and (11) state that *h* and $q/\Delta T$ are *identical* and *interchangeable*. They also state that *h* is a symbol for the *dimensional group* $q/\Delta T$.

Combining Eqs. (10) and (11) results in Eq. (12). Note that Eqs. (10) and (12) are *identical* because *h* and $q/\Delta T$ are *identical* and *interchangeable*.

$$q = (q/\Delta T)\Delta T \quad (12)$$

The nomenclature in every conventional heat transfer text should state "*h* is a symbol for the dimensional group $q/\Delta T$ —i.e. *h* and $q/\Delta T$ are *identical* and *interchangeable*".

e) *What Eq. (10) meant in Most of the Nineteenth Century*

In most of the nineteenth century, Eq. (10) was *always* a *proportional* equation, and *h* was *always* a *proportionality constant*. Fourier warned that Eq. (10) applies *only* if a solid, warm body is cooled by the *steady-state forced convection* of ambient air. He *emphasized* that Eq. (9) does *not* apply if a solid, warm body is cooled by the *natural convection* of ambient air because the coolant flow rate would *vary*, and consequently the relationship between *q* and ΔT would *not* be proportional.

² American heat transfer texts generally refer to Eq. (5) as "Newton's law of cooling", and claim that Newton created *h*. However, Eq. (5) *cannot* be Newton's law of cooling because cooling is a *transient* phenomenon, and Eq. (5) is a *steady-state* equation. Also because Eq. (5) *requires* that *h* and ΔT be multiplied, whereas in Newton's time, it was *irrational* to multiply parameters. Newton could *not* have created *h* because he could *not* rationally have multiplied *h* times another parameter.

f) *What Eq. (10) has meant Since Sometime near the End of the Nineteenth Century*

Sometime near the end of the nineteenth century, the heat transfer community decided to ignore Fourier's warning that Eq. (10) applies *only* if the heat transfer behavior is proportional. It decided to apply Eq. (10) even if the relationship between q and ΔT is *nonlinear*.

When Eq. (10) is applied to *nonlinear* heat transfer phenomena, it is *not* an equation because a *proportional* equation *cannot* describe *nonlinear* behavior. Even though Eq. (10) is a proportional equation, it *must now* be interpreted to mean that the relationship between q and ΔT *may* be proportional, linear, or nonlinear, and h *may* be a *constant* or a *variable*.

g) *The Equation that should have Replaced Eq. (10) when it began to be Applied to Nonlinear Phenomena*

When the decision was made to apply Eq. (10) to nonlinear phenomena, Eq. (10) *should* have been *abandoned* because it obviously *cannot* describe *nonlinear* behavior. Equation (10) should have been replaced by Eq. (13) because it correctly states that the relationship between q and ΔT *may* be *proportional*, *linear*, or *nonlinear*, and h *may* be a *constant* or a *variable*.

$$q = h\{\Delta T\}\Delta T \quad (13)$$

Note that Eqs. (13) and (13a) are *identical*. They *both* state that q is a function of ΔT , and the function *may* be proportional, linear, or nonlinear.

$$q = f\{\Delta T\} \quad (13a)$$

However, Eq. (13a) could *not* rationally have replaced Eq. (10) because, based on conventional parameter symbolism, Eq. (13a) is *not* dimensionally homogeneous.

h) *Why Conventional Engineering Laws are Irrational*

Substituting $q/\Delta T$ for h in Eq. (13) results in Eq. (14).

$$q = (q/\Delta T)\{\Delta T\}\Delta T \quad (14)$$

Equation (14) is a *rigorously correct* expression of the modern law of convective heat transfer. Note that Eq. (14) is an analog of Eq. (15), and $q/\Delta T$ (i.e. h) is an analog of $(y/x)\{x\}$.

$$y = (y/x)\{x\}x \quad (15)$$

In mathematics, if y is a *nonlinear* function of x , Eq. (15) is *never* used because $(y/x)\{x\}$ is a *third* variable, and it *greatly* complicates problem solutions. Equation (16) is *always* used because it *always* has only *two* variables, and therefore it *always* allows nonlinear

problems to be solved in the simplest possible way—i.e. with y and x *separated* rather than *combined* in an analog of $(y/x)\{x\}$.

$$y = f\{x\} \quad (16)$$

Laws such as Eqs. (10), (12), (13), and (14) are *irrational* because, if q is a nonlinear function of ΔT , they have *three* variables (q , $q/\Delta T$, and ΔT) to describe how *two* variables (q and ΔT) are related. And similarly for *all* *proportional* engineering laws that are applied to *nonlinear* phenomena.

i) *Proof that Fourier was Wrong. Dimensions cannot Rationally be Assigned to Numbers*

Langhaar [5] explains why dimensions *cannot* rationally be assigned to numbers:

Dimensions must not be assigned to numbers, for then any equation could be regarded as dimensionally homogeneous.

j) *Proof that Fourier was Wrong. Dimensions cannot Rationally be Multiplied or Divided*

Conventional engineering laws and equations are based in part on Fourier's *unproven* claim that parameter *dimensions can* be multiplied or divided. Fourier was *wrong*. As demonstrated by the following, parameter dimensions *cannot* rationally be multiplied or divided.

"Multiply four times seven" means "add seven four times". Therefore "multiply meters times kilograms" *must* mean "add kilograms meters times". Because "add kilograms meters times" has *no meaning*, dimensions *cannot* be multiplied.

"Divide forty by five" means "how many fives are in forty". Therefore "divide meters by seconds" *must* mean "how many seconds are in meters". Because "how many seconds are in meters" has *no meaning*, dimensions *cannot* be divided.

k) *Irrational Views in Conventional Engineering*

The following are irrational views in conventional engineering.

- Hooke's law, Proportion (17), and Young's law, Eq. (18), are *identical*. They *both* state that stress equals a constant times strain. Therefore it is *irrational* to *require* Young's law to be dimensionally homogeneous, and *not* require Hooke's law to be dimensionally homogeneous.

$$\sigma \propto \varepsilon \quad (17)$$

$$\sigma = E_{\text{elastic}}\varepsilon \quad (18)$$

- A chart of q vs ΔT is a picture of Eq. (19).

$$q = f\{\Delta T\} \quad (19)$$

It is *irrational* to reject Eq. (19) because it is *not* dimensionally homogeneous, and to accept a *chart* of Eq. (19) that is *not* dimensionally homogeneous.

- Charts are *dimensionless* because they describe how the *numerical value* of parameter y is related to the *numerical value* of parameter x . If a chart is *quantitative*, the dimension units that underlie parameters x and y *must* be specified on the chart, or in an accompanying nomenclature.

Because charts are pictures of equations, and because charts are *dimensionless*, it is *irrational* to *not* have equations in which parameter symbols are *dimensionless*.

The above *irrational* views have *no place* in the engineering science that results from the paradigm shift.

l) What Equations can Rationally describe about how Parameters are Related

Equations can rationally describe how the *numerical values* of parameters are related because dimensionless equations are *inherently* dimensionally homogeneous. If a dimensionless equation is *quantitative*, the dimension units that underlie parameter symbols (that are *not* in dimensionless groups) *must* be specified in an accompanying nomenclature.

m) The Proposed Paradigm Shift

The proposed paradigm shift *requires* that parameter symbols in equations represent *only* numerical value. If an equation is *quantitative*, the dimension units that underlie parameter symbols *must* be specified in an accompanying nomenclature.

n) The Engineering Science that Results from the Proposed Paradigm Shift

The engineering science that results from the proposed paradigm shift is described by:

- All proportions and equations are *dimensionless* because *all* parameter symbols represent *only* numerical value.
- All proportions and equations are *dimensionally homogeneous* because they are dimensionless.
- If an equation is *quantitative*, the dimension units that underlie parameter symbols are specified in an accompanying nomenclature (except for symbols in dimensionless groups).
- All engineering laws are replaced by analogs of Eq. (20) which states that the *numerical value* of parameter y is a function of the *numerical value* of parameter x , and the function may be proportional, linear, or nonlinear.

$$y = f\{x\} \quad (20)$$

- There are *no* parameters that were created by assigning dimensions to numbers.

o) How to Transform Conventional Texts to Texts based on the Proposed Paradigm Shift

To transform conventional engineering texts to texts based on the proposed paradigm shift:

- Replace laws with analogs of $y = f\{x\}$.
- In equations that include analogs of (y/x) , replace analogs with y/x , then separate x and y .

For example, to transform Eq. (21) to a paradigm shift equation, replace h and k_{wall}/t_{wall} with $q/\Delta T$, then separate q and ΔT , resulting in Eq. (22).

$$U = (1/h_1 + t_{wall}/k_{wall} + 1/h_2)^{-1} \quad (21)$$

$$\Delta T_{total} = \Delta T_1\{q\} + \Delta T_{wall}\{q\} + \Delta T_2\{q\} \quad (22)$$

It is important to note that Eqs. (21) and (22) are *identical*. They mean *exactly the same thing*. Equation (21) is written in the *opaque* language of conventional engineering. Equation (22) is written in the *transparent* language of the proposed paradigm shift. (Convection heat transfer correlations are generally in the form $\Delta T\{q\}$ because that is the form required by Eq. (22).

Textbooks for other branches of engineering are transformed to paradigm shift texts in the same way heat transfer texts are transformed—i.e. by replacing conventional laws with laws that are analogs of Eq. (16), and transforming equations by *separating* x and y .

p) How Data are Correlated in Conventional Engineering, and in Engineering based on the Proposed Paradigm Shift

Experimenters *cannot* obtain h data or E data because there is *no such thing* as h or E . They are *symbols* for *dimensional groups* $q/\Delta T$ and Δ/Δ .

In conventional engineering, experimenters obtain q data and ΔT data, and use it to determine $q/\Delta T$ values and $(q/\Delta T)\{\Delta T\}$ correlations—ie to determine h values and $h\{\Delta T\}$ correlations.

In engineering based on the proposed paradigm shift, experimenters obtain q data and ΔT data, and use it to determine $\Delta T\{q\}$ correlations. And similarly for other engineering branches.

q) Correlation Transformations and Experiments

It is important to note that the proposed paradigm shift does *not* require that experiments that resulted in *conventional* correlations be *repeated*. It requires merely that conventional correlations be transformed by separating parameter x and parameter y as described in Section 16, or that the data that resulted in conventional correlations be used to determine correlations that are analogs of $y = f\{x\}$.

II. CONCLUSIONS

Conventional engineering science works well when applied to problems that concern *proportional* behavior because it is founded on laws that are *proportional* equations, and the coefficients in the laws (such as h and E) are *proportionality constants*. It does *not* work well when applied to problems that concern *nonlinear* behavior because the coefficients in the laws (such as h and E) are *extraneous variables*, and they *greatly* complicate problem solutions.

Engineering science should be founded on the proposed paradigm shift because it results in laws that work well with *all* forms of behavior—proportional, linear, and nonlinear. The new laws make it *much simpler* to learn and apply engineering science because they *always* have only *two* variables, and because *all* parameters (such as h and E) that were created by assigning dimensions to *numbers* are *abandoned*. They are *not* replaced because they are *not* necessary.

Nomenclature

a	acceleration
c	arbitrary constant
E	modulus
F	force
h	$q/\Delta T$
k	$q/(dT/dx)$
m	mass
q	heat flux
T	temperature
t	time or wall thickness
x	arbitrary variable
y	arbitrary variable
ε	strain
σ	stress

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1. INTRODUCTION

Performance optimization of systems involving heat transfer through channels has always been the area of focus in the past decades. Numerous systems which employ heat transfer through channels like automotive, refrigeration and air-conditioning, electrical and electronic system are becoming compact gradually and with it, the demand for effective and efficient heat transfer is increasing. Correlations presented by Dittus and Boelter well relate the Nusselt number inside the channel with the Reynolds number and the Prandtl number of the fluid [1]. Modification of the Nusselt number is generally attained by altering the Reynolds number as varying the Prandtl number is rather challenging. Alteration of the Reynolds number is accomplished by introducing additional turbulences in the flow. One of the methods employed for introducing additional turbulences in the flow is the utilization of vortex generators.

Ralph Kristoffer B. Gallegos and Rajnish N Sharma [2] outlined the categories as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each category of vortex generators and presented a brief review on flags as vortex generators. The two categories of vortex generators are active and passive. Many reviews and studies on passive vortex generators like swirl flow devices and other approaches including bubble fin assistance, surface modifications, reduced weight fin configuration, etc. have been extensively reported [3-10]. The use of active vortex generators like piezo fans and magnetic fans for improvement of heat transfer is studied by Gilson GM et al. [11] and Ma HK et al. [12,13]. Jae Bok Lee et al. [14,15] explored the dynamics of the flag in symmetric as well as asymmetric configuration and the effects of various parameters such as bending rigidity, channel height, and Reynolds number on the overall thermal efficiency of the system. Zheng Li et al. [16] studied the effects of Young's modulus of the flapping vortex generator on its vorticity fields and heat transfer performances. Atul Kumar Soti et al. [17] used a fluid-structure interaction solver to show the flow-induced deformation as an effective heat transfer technique and examined the role of the Reynolds number, Prandtl number, and the material properties of the plate in the thermal improvement. Jaeha Ryu et al. [18] examined the flapping dynamics of the flag in terms of bending rigidity and Reynold number employing the immersed boundary method. Sung Goon Park et. al [19] with the help of immersed boundary method studied the various dynamic modes of the flag and the vortical structures produced in the wake region of the flag. F. Herrault et al. [20] and Hidalgo and Glezer [21,22] utilized oscillating reeds in the high aspect ratio rectangular microchannels and manifested significant improvements in the thermal performance of the system. Shoele and Mittal [23] studied the material properties of flexible reed on vibratory dynamics, and heat transfer, establishing that thermal performance depends more strongly on the reed inertia than its bending stiffness.

Some recent performance optimization of an engineering system is also based on constructal theory. According to the constructal theory by A. Bejan: "For a finite-size flow system to persist in time (to live) its configuration must change in time so that it provides greater and greater access to its currents" [24]. A review

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Nomenclature

ρ_a	Density of fluid (air) (kg/m ³)	T_i	Initial average temperature of the fluid at the channel's inlet (K)
A_c	Cross section area of the channel (m ²)	T_d	Difference between the final and initial average temperature of the fluid (K)
V	Velocity of the fluid (air) (m/s)	T_w	Average temperature of the aluminium plate surface (K)
C_p	Specific heat capacity of air at constant pressure (J/kg K)	T_f	Average temperature of the fluid (K)
k	Thermal Conductivity of the medium (w/m-K)	T_a	Difference between the average temperature of the surface and fluid (K)
μ	Dynamic viscosity of the fluid (air) (Pa.s)	FH	Flag height
ρ_{al}	Density of aluminium (kg/m ³)	RS	Rectangular surface
A_s	Surface area of the aluminium plate (m ²)	FLAG GEOMETRIES	
$C_{p(al)}$	Specific heat capacity of aluminium at constant pressure (J/kg K)	ROTF	Rectangular flag combined with one triangular flag
k_{al}	Thermal Conductivity of aluminium (w/m-K)	RTTF	Rectangular flag combined with two triangular flags
Q	Heat carried away by the fluid (w/m ²)	RTeTF	Rectangular flag combined with three triangular flags
D_h	Hydraulic diameter of the channel (m)	RFTF	Rectangular flag combined with four triangular flags
\dot{M}	Mass flow rate (kg/s)	RFiTF	Rectangular flag combined with five triangular flags
h	Average heat transfer coefficient (w/m ² K)		
Nu	Average Nusselt number of the fluid		
Re	Reynolds number		
ϕ_q	Heat flux (W/m ²)		
T	Temperature (K)		
T_o	Final average temperature of the fluid at the channel's outlet (K)		

of constructal theory and the ongoing research trends in this domain is presented by A. Bejan and S. Lorente in [25,26]. Chen LinGen [27,28] focuses on the emergence and expansion of constructal theory and its application in China over the past decade to solve engineering problems. Adrian Bejan [29] solved the fundamental problem of collection and channeling the heat generated volumetrically in a low conductivity volume of a given size to one point. Huijun Feng et al. [30] emphasized enhancing the heat transfer rates by just making a few design changes based on an optimized process of heat and mass transfer between the fluids and used constructal optimization for heat dissipation in "+" shaped high conductivity channels to increase the global heat conductivity performance of electronic device [31] and to reduce entransy dissipation rate of X-shaped vascular networks (XSNV) [32]. Chen LinGen et

al. [33] have accomplished optimal constructs of the eight types of heat sinks with different constraints and carried out a comparison between them based on the different optimization objectives. Huijun Feng et al. [34] executed a triple optimization on an irreversible Kalina cycle system 34 (KCS-34) model with variable temperature heat reservoirs using finite-time-thermodynamics. H. J. Feng et al. [35] have adopted a Global optimization method to study the tree-shaped hot network over a rectangular area. Huijun Feng et al. [36] carried out the constructal design of a supercharged boiler (SB) superheater with optimization objectives as heat transfer rate and power consumption factors of SB superheater.

This work builds on the earlier work of Swadesh Suman et al. [37]. According to Swadesh suman et al. [37], the shape exhibiting the highest heat transfer is the

combination of rectangular and two triangular shapes (RTTF). This work utilizes RTTF for the further optimization process. The channel geometry, velocity conditions, boundary conditions, and fluid properties are identical to that used by Swadesh Suman et al. [37]. ANSYS 2014 is used for the numerical work. Geometry is modeled in ANSYS ICEM, analysis, and post-processing is carried out in ANSYS FLUENT and ANSYS CFD-POST, respectively.

II. PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

a) Channel Geometry, Fluid Properties and Boundary Condition

The channel geometry, fluid properties, and boundary conditions are identical to that employed in the investigation carried out by Swadesh suman et al. [37]. The length, breadth, and height of the channel are 150 mm, 150 mm, and 110 mm respectively which set forth the hydraulic diameter of the channel as 126.9 mm. A heater of 20 w capacity, which provides a constant heat flux of 888.88 w/m², is installed in the identical fashion as that in the investigation of Swadesh [37]. The existing fluid in the channel is air. The air temperature at the inlet of the channel is between 25 and 30 degrees Celsius so the density, dynamic viscosity, thermal conductivity, and specific heat of air is taken as 1.174 kg/m³, 18.605 μ Pa.s, 0.0256 w/m-k, 1006.43 j/kg-k respectively. At the channel's inlet velocity inlet boundary condition and at the channel's outlet pressure outlet boundary condition with outlet pressure as 1 atm is applied. No slip boundary condition is employed at the channel's walls and the flag surface. Three different The additional equations of K - ϵ model are [32]

For turbulent kinetic energy K

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho k) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\rho k u_i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} \right] + 2\mu_t E_{ij} E_{ij} + \rho \epsilon \quad (3)$$

For dissipation Rate ϵ

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho \epsilon) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\rho \epsilon u_i) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u \frac{\mu_t}{\sigma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial x_j} \right] + C_{1\epsilon} \frac{\epsilon}{k} 2\mu_t E_{ij} E_{ij} - C_{2\epsilon} \rho \frac{\epsilon^2}{k} \quad (4)$$

u_i represents velocity component in corresponding direction

E_{ij} represents component of rate of deformation

μ_t represent eddy viscosity

$$\mu_t = \rho C_\mu \frac{k^2}{\epsilon}$$

The equations also consist of some adjustable constants σ_k , σ_ϵ , $C_{1\epsilon}$, C_μ and $C_{2\epsilon}$. The values of these constants have been arrived at by numerous iterations of data fitting for a wide range of turbulent flows [39]. These are as follows:

$$\sigma_k = 1.00$$

$$\sigma_\epsilon = 1.30$$

$$C_\mu = 0.09$$

velocity conditions i.e., 1.1 m/s, 1.65 m/s, and 2.45 m/s are used for the numerical investigation.

b) Governing Equations

Since the study involves both heat conduction and convection, it is one of the classical problems of conjugate heat transfer. The conduction in the aluminum plate is a three-dimensional steady state without a heat source within the plate. The equation shows 3-D steady state heat conduction equation without a heat source within the volume [1].

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) = 0 \quad (1)$$

Where T is the temperature.

Standard K - ϵ viscous model is used in Ansys Fluent for the analysis as the Reynolds number falls under the turbulent range. The standard K - ϵ model requires two additional equations to solve the additional unknown given by the Reynolds stress term in the RANS equation (Reynolds Average Navier Stokes) [38].

$$\rho \bar{u}_j \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} = \rho \bar{f}_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[-\bar{p} \delta_{ij} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \rho \bar{u}_i' \bar{u}_j' \right] \quad (2)$$

Here,

u represents instantaneous velocity

\bar{u} represents mean (time averaged) component of velocity

u' represents fluctuating component of velocity

ρ represents density

\bar{f}_i is a vector representing external forces

μ represents dynamic viscosity of fluid

$$C_{1\epsilon} = 1.44$$

$$C_{2\epsilon} = 1.92$$

c) Selection of Parameters

Various parameters related to the flag are the shape of the flag, the position of the flag in the channel, the height of the flag from the surface, the surface area of the flag, and the width of the flag. For the optimization based on the shape of a flag, the shape optimized flag established by Swadesh suman et al. [37] is selected. Two other parameters which can be selected from the shape optimized flag is the number of triangular shape and the relative area of the rectangular shape of the flag. This shape-optimized flag is used for further parametric optimization. Keeping the width of the flag constant, the various parameters to optimize are the height of the flag

from the surface, the position of the flag in the channel, the number of triangular shapes, and the relative area of the rectangular shape in the shape-optimized flag.

d) Grid Independence Study

To remove the influence of the grid size on the result, a grid independence study is performed by varying the Grade scale factor (GSF) of the meshing in

Ansyes ICEM. The geometry selected is the rectangular channel with no flag condition. The initial value of GSF is kept at 1 and was increased by 0.5 until the variation of the Nu is acceptable. The Reynolds number for this study is chosen as 12354 corresponding to the velocity of 1.65 m/s. Table 1 shows the total number of cells, nodes, and Nu variation at different values of GSF.

Table 1: Variation of Nu with GSF

GSF	Total number of cells	Total number of nodes	Nu	Re
1	302502	54225	256.7	12354
1.5	1025087	180077	247.4	12354
2	2430221	419890	249.2	12354
2.5	4709977	806414	247.7	12354
3	8193797	1398852	240.5	12354

The Nu value at GSF 1.5 showed a drop of 3.62% than the Nu value at GSF 1. Although this drop is within the permissible limit, to further reduce the error analysis is carried out at GSF 2. At GSF 2 the variation in the Nu value was just 0.72%. Further at GSF 2.5 and 3, it showed the variation of 0.61% and 2.9% respectively. So, based on the variation at different GSF values and time of computation, the ideal value of GSF is chosen 2 and further analysis is carried out at GSF 2.

III. FLAG HEIGHT (FH) OPTIMIZATION

a) Representation of FH and CFD Simulations

Figure 1 represents flag height (FH) which is varied to find the optimum height of RTTF from the plate. Shape-optimized RTTF and its arrangement in the channel by Swadesh Suman et al. [37] is used for FH optimization. The initial height of RTTF from the plate is 2.5 mm. FH is varied from 0.5 mm to 5 mm, increasing it by 0.5 mm from 0.5 mm to 3 mm and by 1 mm from 3 mm to 5 mm.

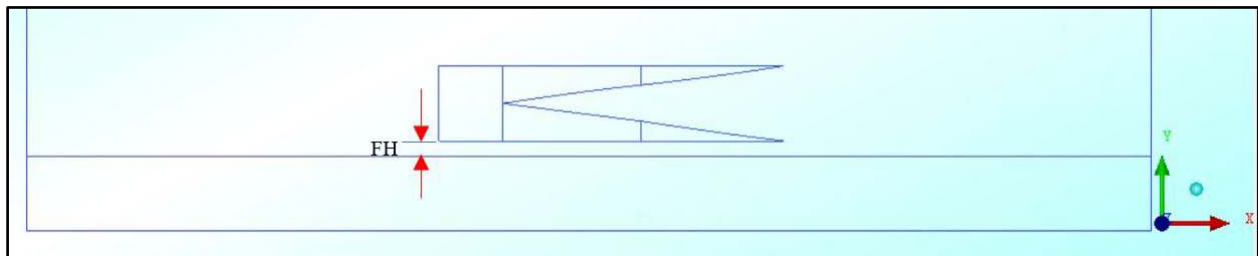


Figure 1: Representation of Flag Height (FH)

Figure 2a and 2b show the thermal boundary layer formed in the case of FH 1 mm and FH 2 mm. The temperature contour in each case shows the difference in temperature.

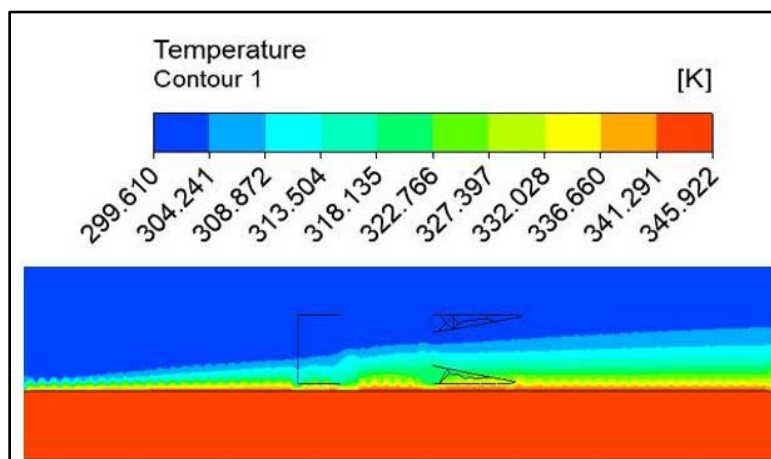


Figure 2a): FH = 1 mm

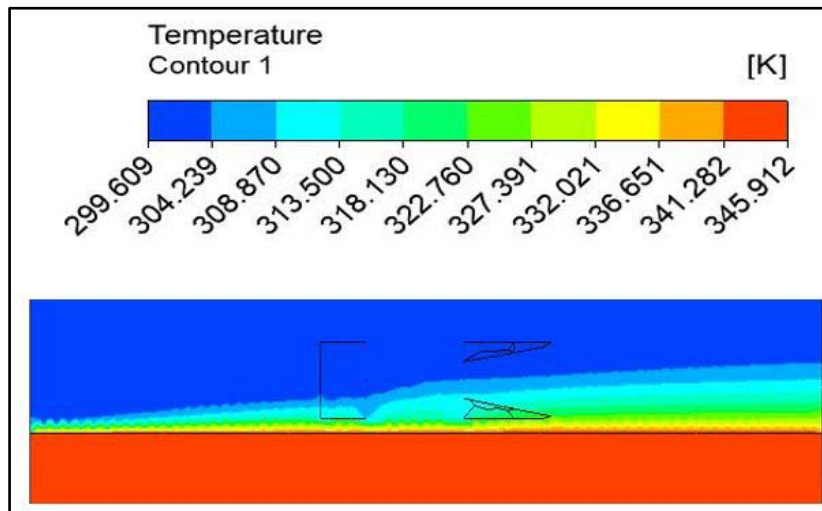


Figure 2b): FH = 2 mm

Figure 2: Thermal Boundary Layer at Different Flag Height

b) Procedure followed during Calculations

The procedure followed during the calculations is same as that used by Swadesh Suman et al. [37]. Fig 3 shows the lines plotted along the length of the channel

and an average temperature is obtained for each line. The well distributed lines along the channel's height gives good idea of the average temperature of air at channel's outlet.

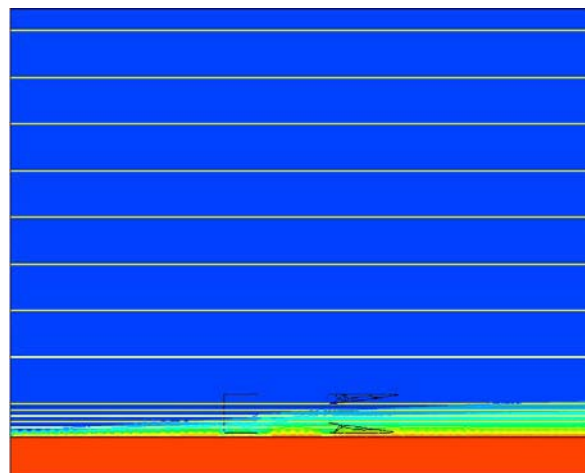


Figure 3: Lines Plotted along the Length of the Channel

Following procedure is then followed to find out the average Nusselt number in each case:-

$$\text{Step 1: Mass flow rate } (\dot{M}) = \rho \times A_c \times V \quad (5)$$

$$\text{Step 2: Temperature change in fluid } (T_d) = T_o - T_i \quad (6)$$

$$\text{Step 3: Heat carried away by the fluid } (Q) = \dot{M} \times C_p \times T_d \quad (7)$$

$$\text{Step 4: Average temperature difference between surface and fluid } (T_a) = T_w - T_f \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Step 5: Average heat transfer coefficient } (h) = \frac{Q}{A_s \times T_a} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{Step 6: Nusselt no } (Nu) = \frac{h \times D_h}{k} \quad (10)$$

$$\text{Step 7: Reynolds no } (Re) = \frac{\rho \times V \times D_h}{\mu} \quad (11)$$

c) Results and Discussion

Table 2 shows the Nusselt number for each flag height at different velocity conditions. The highest Nu is achieved at a flag height equal to 1 mm for each velocity condition and it increases significantly by 10.06%, 7.28%, and 7.55% when compared with Nu values for flag height of 1.5 mm and exceeds that in no flag condition by 41.84%, 47.79%, 54.68% for Re 8236, 12354 and 18344, respectively. Nu values at each different velocity condition shoot up with the decrease in

FH up to 1 mm. At FH 0.5 mm, Nu values diminishes significantly by 11.1%, 9.3%, and 8.5% than that of FH 1 mm for Re 8236, 12354, and 18344, respectively. The

same has been depicted in fig 4 which presents the graph between Nu and Re .

Table 2: Nusselt Number at Different Flag Heights

Velocity (m/s)	Nu	Re
No flag condition		
1.1	239	8236
1.65	249	12354
2.45	267	18344
FH 0.5 mm		
1.1	301	8236
1.65	334	12354
2.45	380	18344
FH 1 mm		
1.1	339	8236
1.65	368	12354
2.45	413	18344
FH 1.5 mm		
1.1	308	8236
1.65	343	12354
2.45	384	18344
FH 2 mm		
1.1	299	8236
1.65	312	12354
2.45	348	18344
FH 2.5 mm		
1.1	288	8236
1.65	301	12354
2.45	324	18344
FH 3 mm		
1.1	278	8236
1.65	294	12354
2.45	322	18344
FH 4 mm		
1.1	274	8236
1.65	291	12354
2.45	319	18344
FH 5 mm		
1.1	272	8236
1.65	287	12354
2.45	314	18344

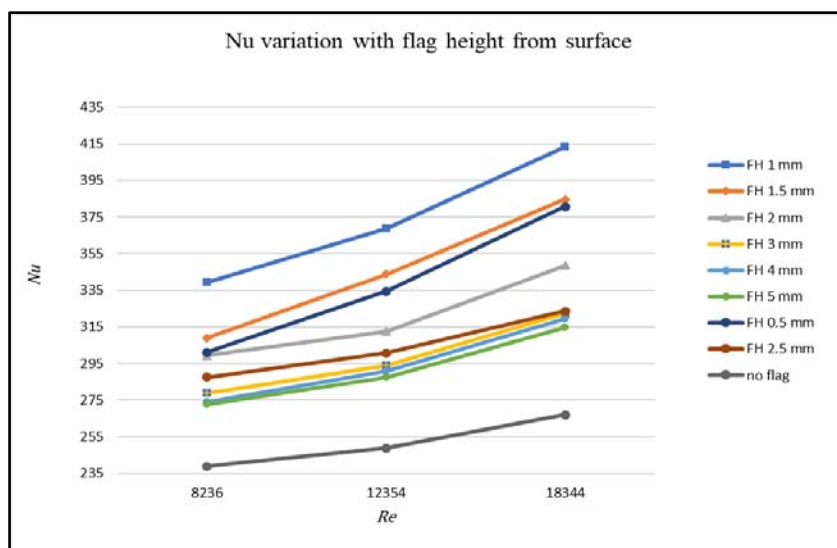


Figure 4: Average Nusselt Number vs Reynolds Number for Different Flag Heights

IV. OPTIMIZATION OF POSITION OF FLAG IN CHANNEL

a) Representation of Position of the Flag

RTTF with FH 1 mm is used for the optimization of the position of the flag. Figure 5 represents the

position of the flag from the inlet which is varied to find the optimum position of RTTF from the inlet. The initial position of RTTF from the inlet is 55 mm. The position from the inlet is varied from 15 mm to 65 mm, increasing it by 10 mm in each step.

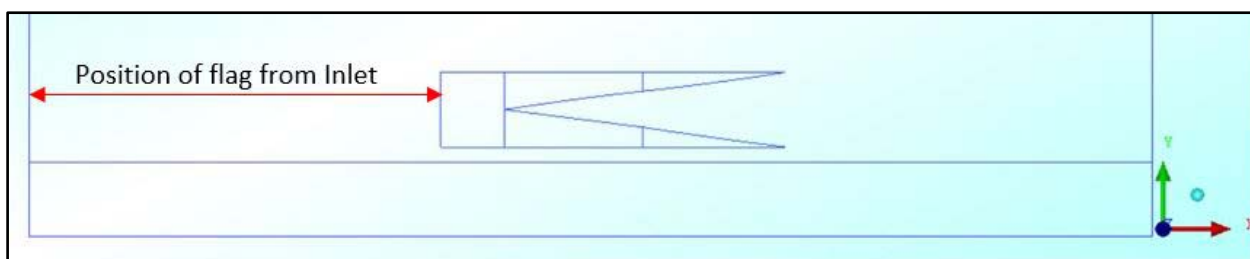


Figure 5: Representation of Position of Flag from inlet

b) Procedure followed during Calculations

The procedure followed for the calculation of Nu is the same as that of Flag height optimization.

c) Results and Discussion

Table 3 shows the Nusselt number for the position of the flag at different velocity conditions. The highest Nu is achieved at a flag position equal to 35 mm for each velocity condition. Nu at flag position 35 mm is greater than that at flag position 25 mm by 2.63%, 6.78%, 10.13%, and by 2.03%, 8.97%, 12.10%

for Re 8236, 12354, 18344 respectively when compared with Nu values for flag position 45 mm. Whereas it exceeds Nu in no flag condition by 46.86%, 70.68%, and 87.26% for the corresponding Re . In each case, the percentage rise in Nu increases with an increase in the velocity of air in the channel. Nu values at each different velocity condition shoot up with the decrease in flag positions from 65 mm up to 35 mm and afterward, it diminishes till the flag position is 15 mm. The same has been depicted in fig 6 which presents the graph between Nu and Re .

Table 3: Nusselt number at different flag positions

Velocity (m/s)	Nu	Re
No flag condition		
1.1	239	8236
1.65	249	12354
2.45	267	18344
Position of flag = 15 mm		

1.1	340	8236
1.65	372	12354
2.45	438	18344
Position of flag = 25 mm		
1.1	342	8236
1.65	398	12354
2.45	454	18344
Position of flag = 35 mm		
1.1	351	8236
1.65	425	12354
2.45	500	18344
Position of flag = 45 mm		
1.1	344	8236
1.65	390	12354
2.45	446	18344
Position of flag = 55 mm		
1.1	339	8236
1.65	368	12354
2.45	413	18344
Position of flag = 65 mm		
1.1	268	8236
1.65	295	12354
2.45	319	18344

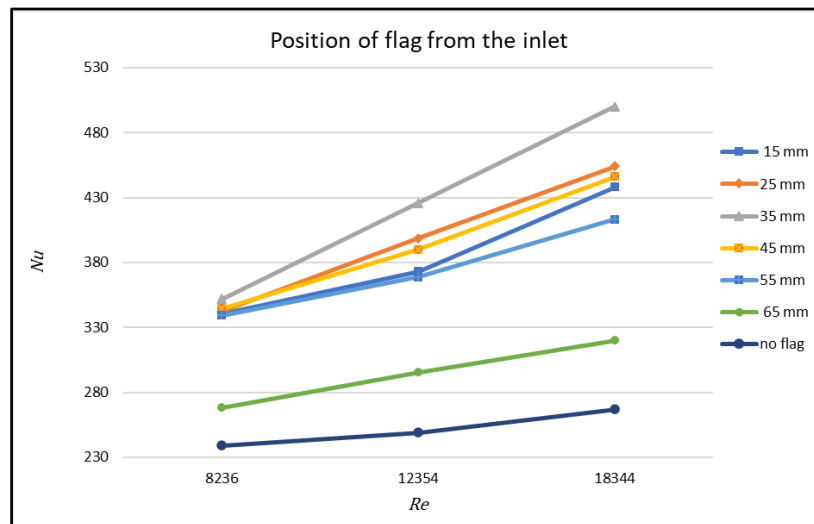


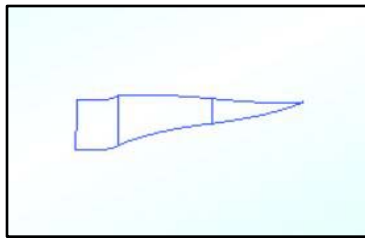
Figure 6: Average Nusselt number vs Reynolds number for different position of flag

V. OPTIMIZATION OF NUMBER OF TRIANGULAR SHAPE IN RTTF

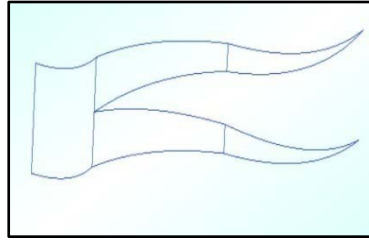
a) Flag Geometries

RTTF used for this stage has FH as 1 mm and position from the inlet as 35 mm. In the investigation by Swadesh suman et al. [37], RTTF showed higher heat transfer than ROTF. So, to check the dependency of heat transfer on the number of triangular shapes, the

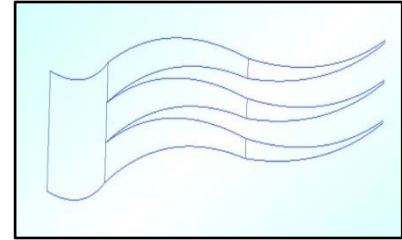
number of triangular shapes is varied. Fig. 7 shows all five flag geometries. The total surface area of the triangular part of RTTF is kept constant while varying the number of triangular shapes. Fig 7 also incorporates the symbolic representation allotted to each flag with the different number of triangular shapes.



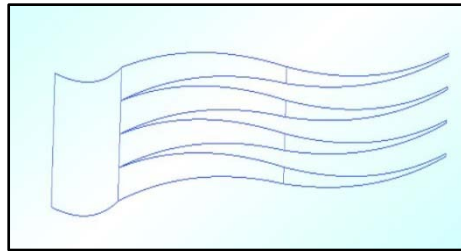
7a) Rectangular flag combined with one triangular flag (ROTF)



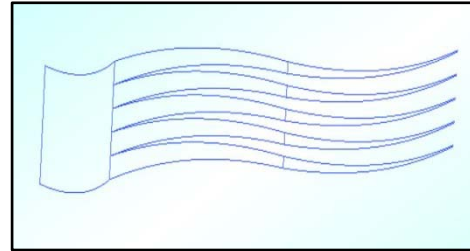
7b) Rectangular flag combined with two triangular flags (RTTF)



7c) Rectangular flag combined with three triangular flags (RTeTF)



7d) Rectangular flag combined with four triangular flags (RFTF)



7e) Rectangular flag combined with five triangular flags (RFiTF)

Figure 7: Flag geometries

b) Procedure followed during Calculations

The procedure followed for the calculation of Nu is the same as that of Flag height optimization.

c) Results and Discussion

Table 4 shows the Nusselt number for flags with different triangular shapes at different velocity conditions. The highest Nu is achieved for RTTF at each velocity condition. Nu for RTTF is greater than RFiTF by

6.04%, 17.40%, 26.58% for Re 8236, 12354, 18344 respectively and by 8.33%, 18.71%, 31.57% for Re 8236, 12354, 18344 respectively when compared with Nu values for RFTF. The percentage rise in Nu of RTTF increases with an increase in velocity when compared to other flags. Fig 8 shows the graph between Nu and Re for each distinct flag.

Table 4: Nusselt Number for Flags with Different Number of Triangular shapes

Velocity (m/s)	Nu	Re
No flag condition		
1.1	239	8236
1.65	249	12354
2.45	267	18344
ROTF		
1.1	285	8236
1.65	308	12354
2.45	345	18344
RTTF		
1.1	351	8236
1.65	425	12354
2.45	500	18344
RTeTF		
1.1	281	8236
1.65	302	12354
2.45	341	18344

RFTF		
1.1	324	8236
1.65	358	12354
2.45	380	18344
RFITF		
1.1	331	8236
1.65	362	12354
2.45	395	18344

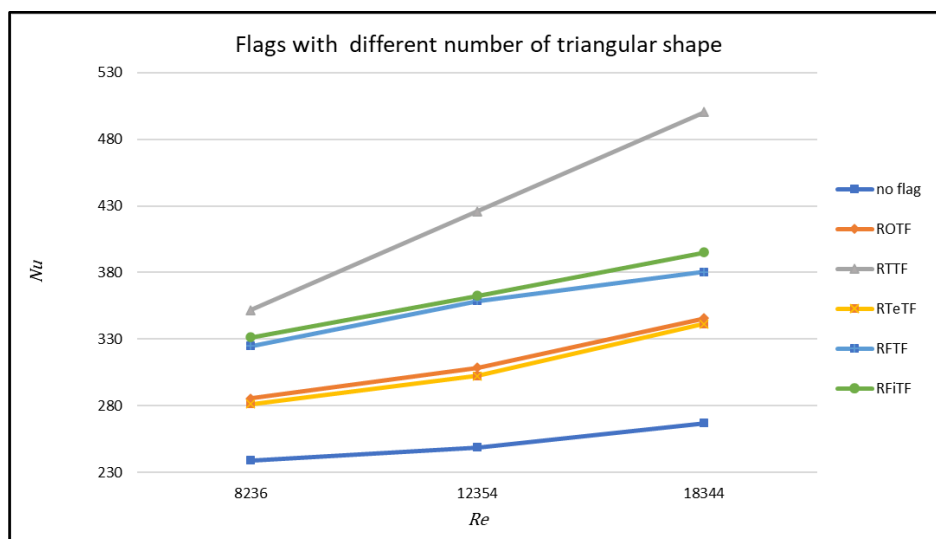


Figure 8: Average Nusselt number vs Reynolds number for different number of triangular shapes

VI. OPTIMIZATION OF THE RECTANGULAR SURFACE (RS) AREA OF FLAG

a) Problem Description

RTTF has the highest heat transfer during the optimization process based on the number of triangular shapes. So, for the rectangular surface area optimization, RTTF is chosen. The surface area of the rectangular part in RTTF is 100 mm². This area is varied from 50 mm² to 150 mm² with a step of 25 mm².

b) Procedure followed during Calculations

The procedure followed for the calculation of Nu is the same as that of Flag height optimization.

c) Results and Discussion

Table 5 shows the Nusselt number for flags with different RS areas at distinct velocity conditions. The highest Nu is achieved for RTTF with RS area of 100 mm² at each velocity condition. Nu for RTTF with 100 mm² is greater than that with 125 mm² by 5.72%, 5.19%, 5.48% and that with 150 mm² by 6.04%, 7.86%, 10.86% for Re 8236, 12354, 18344, respectively. Fig 9 shows the graph between Nu and Re for each distinct flag. Following fig 9, there is an increase in the Nu with the increase in RS area from 50 mm² to 100 mm². At the RS area of 100 mm², Nu is the highest and afterward, it diminishes with an increase in RS area from 100 mm² to 150 mm².

Table 5: Nusselt Number for Flags with Different Rectangular Area

Velocity (m/s)	Nu	Re
No flag condition		
1.1	239	8236
1.65	249	12354
2.45	267	18344
RS area = 50 mm ²		
1.1	309	8236
1.65	352	12354
2.45	395	18344

RS area = 75 mm ²		
1.1	312	8236
1.65	356	12354
2.45	413	18344
RS area = 100 mm ²		
1.1	351	8236
1.65	425	12354
2.45	500	18344
RS area = 125 mm ²		
1.1	332	8236
1.65	404	12354
2.45	474	18344
RS area = 150 mm ²		
1.1	331	8236
1.65	394	12354
2.45	451	18344

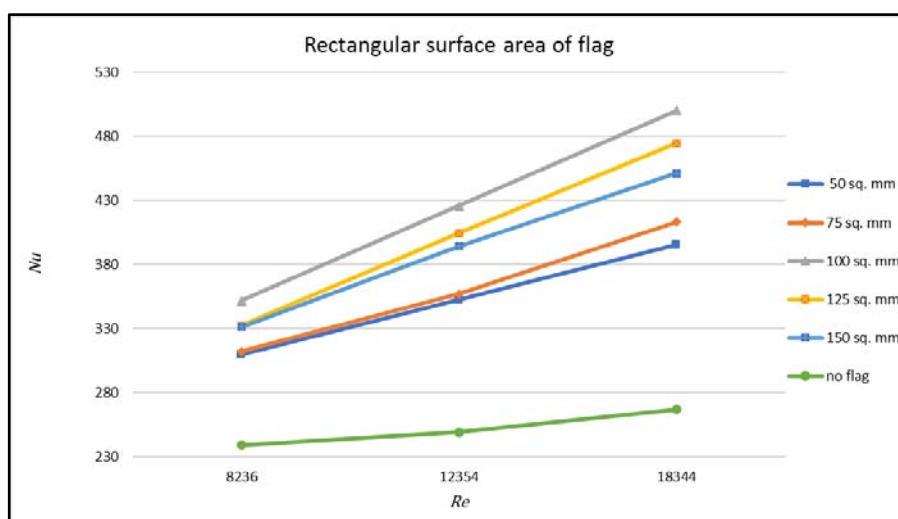


Figure 9: Average Nusselt Number vs Reynolds Number for Different Rectangular Surface Area of Flag

VII. OPTIMAL PARAMETER SELECTION AND PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZATION

This study is the extension of the investigation carried out by Swadesh Suman et al, [37]. RTTF which is the shape optimized flag according to Swadesh [37] is chosen for the optimization based on new parameters. RTTF's position in the channel is 55 mm from the channel inlet and 2.5 mm from the surface. The position of the flag in the channel and flag height is chosen as the optimization parameters. Since RTTF is the combination of rectangular and two triangular shapes, therefore two other parameters namely the area of the rectangular part and the number of triangular shapes are also chosen as the optimization parameters. Similar to the method adopted by Swadesh [37], the overall optimization process is divided into four stages. For the first stage, RTTF of the shape optimization by Swadesh

is considered and for the next stages, the optimized flag from the previous stage is considered.

Table 6 shows the value of Nu after each stage of parametric optimization. The % increase in Nu in each case shoots up with the increase in the velocity of air in the channel. This can be seen in column 4 of Table 6. The highest increase in Nu is observed during the optimization of the position of the flag in the channel.

Table 6: Performance Optimization

Performance optimization			
Velocity (m/s)	Nu	Re	% Increase in Nu wrt no flag
No flag condition			
1.1	239	8236	0
1.65	249	12354	0
2.45	267	18344	0
RTTF from Shape optimization (Swadesh [37])			
1.1	288	8236	20.50
1.65	301	12354	20.88
2.45	324	18344	21.35
After Flag height optimization			
1.1	339	8236	41.84
1.65	368	12354	47.79
2.45	413	18344	54.68
After Optimization of position of flag			
1.1	351	8236	46.86
1.65	425	12354	70.68
2.45	500	18344	87.26
After Optimization of number of triangular shapes			
1.1	351	8236	46.86
1.65	425	12354	70.68
2.45	500	18344	87.26
After Optimization of RS area			
1.1	351	8236	46.86
1.65	425	12354	70.68
2.45	500	18344	87.26

VIII. CONCLUSION

This present numerical investigation focuses on the effect of different parameters of a static wavy flag vortex generator on heat transfer. These parameters are flag height from the surface, position in the channel, number of triangular shapes in a flag, and rectangular surface area of the flag. The method adopted for numerical investigation is Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) and the software used is ANSYS 2014. The ideal value of GSF for the geometry is selected as 2. The overall optimization process is divided into four stages with the first stage being the flag height optimization, the second stage is the position in the channel, the third stage is the number of triangular shapes and the fourth stage is the rectangular surface area of the flag. For each stage, the optimized flag from the previous stage is considered and for the first stage, shape optimized RTTF by Swadesh suman et al. [37] is considered. For the first stage, the highest Nu is achieved at flag height equal to 1 mm for each velocity condition exceeding that in no flag condition by 41.84%, 47.79%, 54.68% for Re

8236, 12354, and 18344, respectively. For the decrease in FH from 5 mm to 1 mm, Nu values showed an upward trend but with a further decrease in FH to 0.5 mm it diminished. For the second stage, the highest Nu is achieved at the flag position equal to 35 mm and it exceeds that in no flag condition by 46.86%, 70.68%, and 87.26% for Re 8236, 12354, 18344, respectively. A similar trend as the first stage in Nu values is seen in the second one as well, it shoots up with the decrease in flag positions from 65 mm up to 35 mm and then decreases flag position to 15 mm. In the third stage, RTTF with a flag height of 1mm and flag position of 35 mm from the inlet has the highest Nu when compared with flags with a different number of triangular shapes. For the fourth and final stage, RTTF with a rectangular area of 100 mm² has the highest Nu among the flags with the different rectangular areas. The Nu increases with the increase in RS area from 50 mm² to 100 mm² and afterward, it diminishes with an increase in RS area from 100 mm² to 150 mm². Thus, from the results of this investigation, it can be deduced that with the right

optimized parameters, a significant increase in heat transfer in the channel can be achieved.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Because many of these components can only work properly within a relatively narrow temperature range, an entire industry has materialized that is

dedicated to keeping them cool[1]. Consequently, a great deal of time and money has been spent researching the best materials for transferring energy from the delicate components and releasing it into another medium[2]. We entered this project with the goal of finding the most suitable materials for cooling semiconductor-based electrical components like CPUs. The two types of cooling methods examined are the use of heat sinks and pumped liquid cooling.

First, we examine cooling systems using heat sinks. Heat sinks transfer heat from the component via conduction and release that heat in the surrounding air through both convection and radiation. The primary factor in determining the effectiveness of a material for this process is its thermal conductivity, though thermal diffusivity is also a major factor[3]. The former determines the material's ability to transfer heat away from the source while the latter speaks to its ability to move the energy throughout itself, as well as radiate it away. Usually, heat sinks are used in a forced convection system with air being moved across the heat sink fin[4]. We examined several materials for this section and have arranged them within Table_1.

Table 1: Comparison of Suitable Heat Sink Materials [5, 6]

Metals:	Aluminum	Copper	CarbAl
Density	2.7 g/cm ³	8.96 g/cm ³	1.75 g/cm ³
Thermal Conductivity	205 W/mK	401 W/mK	400 W/mK
Thermal Diffusivity	0.84 cm ² /s	1.12 cm ² /s	2.78 cm ² /s
Comments:	Lightweight, decent conductivity, lackluster diffusivity	Excellent Thermal Conductivity, decent thermal diffusivity, relatively heavy	Very lightweight, Excellent Thermal conductivity, Excellent Thermal diffusivity

Though we didn't model the results of forced convection across these materials, from the data present the best material for transferring energy from a component is clearly CarbAl. With a low density

reminiscent of aluminum and a thermal conductivity comparable to the much heavier copper, CarbAl provides the best attributes of both materials. Its thermal diffusivity is also significantly higher than the others, allowing for better energy flux throughout itself. This material was designed in 2008 by Applied Nanotech Inc. and remains a superior material for many applications, including heat sinks for high end applications.

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II. NANOFLUID SIMULATION

With regards to liquid cooling systems for semiconductor-based devices, the type of fluid plays a significant role in the transfer of energy. We selected Aluminum Oxide in a 2% solution and 40nm wide particles to simulate for our nanofluid as it is commonly

used in the industry and data for it was readily available [7] [8]. The properties of the Materials used (simulated) in this study are provided in tables 2, 3 and 4. Boron-doped silicon and phosphorus-doped silicon, Air, Water, Aluminum oxide nanoparticles for nanofluid.

Table 2: Properties of Materials Common to Liquid Cooling Systems [9]

Fluids	Air	Water	Al ₂ O ₃ Nanofluid
Density	1.225 kg/m ³	998.2 kg/m ³	3.95 g/cm ³
Thermal Conductivity	0.0242 W/mK	0.6 W/mK	30 W/mK
Specific Heat	1006.43 J/kg-K	4182 J/kg-K	541-955 J/kg-K
Convection Heat Transfer Coefficient	1000 W/(m ² -K)	3001 W/(m ² -K)	9000 W/(m ² -K)

Table 3: Properties of Semiconductor [4]

Density	2.33 g/cm ³
Specific heat	0.168 Cal/g-K
Thermal Conductivity	149 W/m-K
Thermal Expansion	2.6 μ m/m-K
Young's Modulus	51-80 GPa
Poisson's Ratio	0.064-0.28

Table 4: Nanoparticles Properties

Aluminum Oxide Al ₂ O ₃ 99+% purity, 80 nm radius [9]	
Crystallographic Structure	Rhombohedral
Density	3.97 g/cm ³
Thermal Conductivity	18 W/ mol-K
Specific Heat	880 J/kg-K
Price	\$55 / 100 gram
Tin Oxide SnO ₂ 99.9% purity, 50-70 nm radius [10]	
Crystallographic Structure	Tetragonal
Density	6.95 g/cm ³
Thermal Conductivity	40 W/ mol-K
Specific Heat	44.3 J/mol-K
Price	\$110 / 100 gram
Silicon Oxide SiO ₂ 99.9% purity, 800 nm radius [11]	
Crystallographic Structure	Amorphous
Density	2.65 g/cm ³
Thermal Conductivity	1.1-1.4 W/ mol-K
Specific Heat	1.01 J/g-K
Price	\$98 / 100 gram

III. ANSYS ANALYSIS SETUP & METHODOLOGY

Simulation was done using convection to transfer heat from SM to cooling fluid. Convective heat transfer coefficient (h_c) was used the principal property of fluid for simulation.

We found that this coefficient depended type of medium such as gas or liquid, flow properties such as velocity, viscosity and other flow and temperature dependent properties [8].

Many of the research papers we found used other values and coefficients that are the norm in the field of thermodynamics. Nusselt, Rayleigh, and Reynolds numbers were discussed in these papers, however, since these are out of the scope of this class, we decided to use convection [12-14]. The terms stated above do depend on convection so it's not as to completely ignore the experimental results from researchers; convection allowed us to simplify our model.

Main purpose was to compare the cooling capabilities of air, water, and nanofluids by forced convection. Finding comparable values for the heat transfer coefficients (HTC) of each of these values was a problem, mainly because it was difficult to find experimental results that had been performed under the same conditions [12-15]. However, we were able to find papers that contained the information for water and aluminum oxide nanofluids although there were calculations needed as well as estimating values from graphs demonstrating results. These papers contained the needed coefficients for water and Al-Ox under similar conditions such as mass flow (1.5 liters per minute) and temperature (40°C) therefore we could use comparable values for their respective HTC [7, 8].

A simplified geometry was used in the simulation. The actual geometry of a transistor (our example for semiconductor) was convoluted. In addition, the electronic components had to be omitted from the modeling because the focus was on thermal impact and because it was simpler to declare one region of the geometry as the heat source. Another simplification had to do with energy bands, to understand and model such concept, an understanding of Fermi function, Fermi-Dirac distribution, Boltzmann approximation, and electron concentration under different temperature conditions [12-15].

What we expected to see in the ANSYS Fluent heat maps was the heat dissipated from the source out through the boundaries making contact with the fluid. However, this was not the case the first few times that we ran the simulation. This was due to the geometry of our model; we had placed one geometry meant to represent the fluid above the geometry representing the semiconductor. There was an issue with the boundary where the surfaces met and thus, we decided to change our approach by convection.

Once we read up on how convection worked, we could set up our model an analogous fashion [5]. This resulted in a simpler model where only a single geometry was needed which was meant to represent the semiconductor.

Using ANSYS Fluent, the mesh was imported and given three different boundaries. The bottom edge along with both vertical edges were all labeled "outlet boundary" meaning these edges were to make contact with our test fluids (air, water, nanofluid). The top edge was the heat source; it was meant to be analogous to the conduction band on a transistor although in reality the situation is complex [15]. The surface of the body was the third boundary and this is where the properties of a semiconductor were applied to.

IV. RESULTS

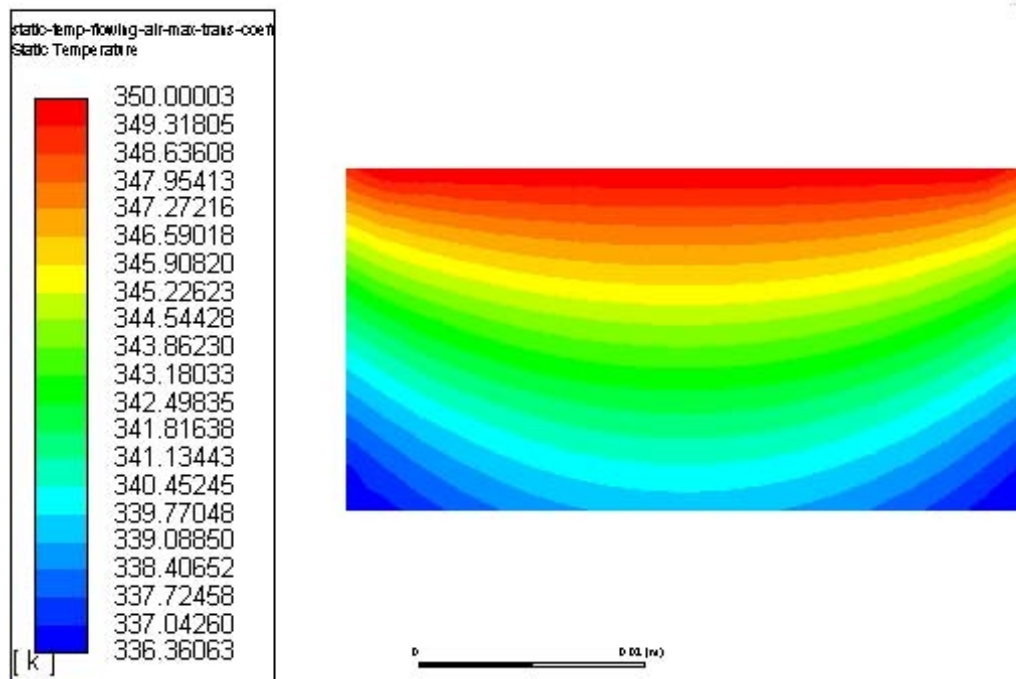


Figure 1: Static Temperature Contour for air with heat transfer coefficient of $1000 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$

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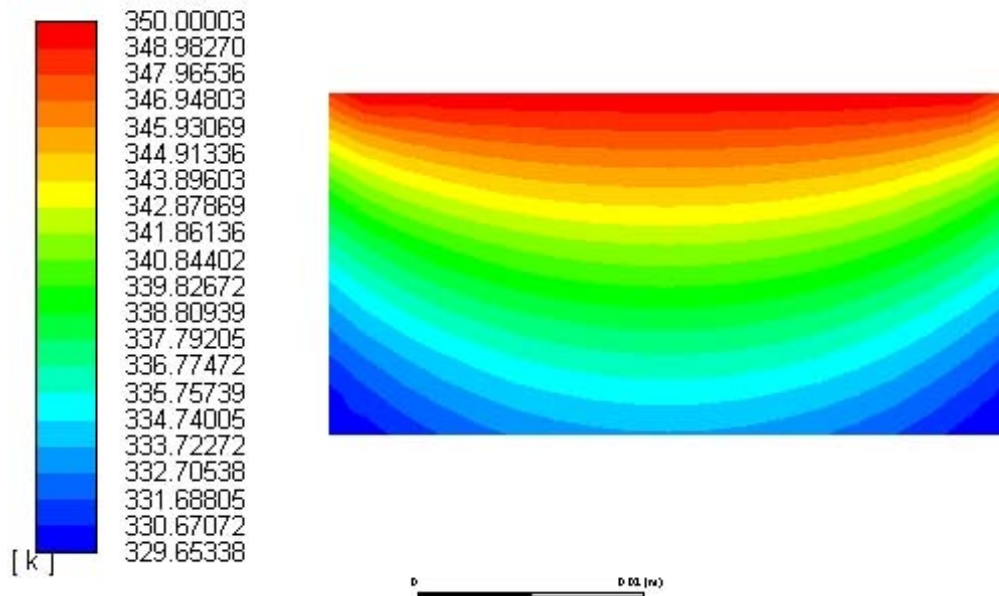


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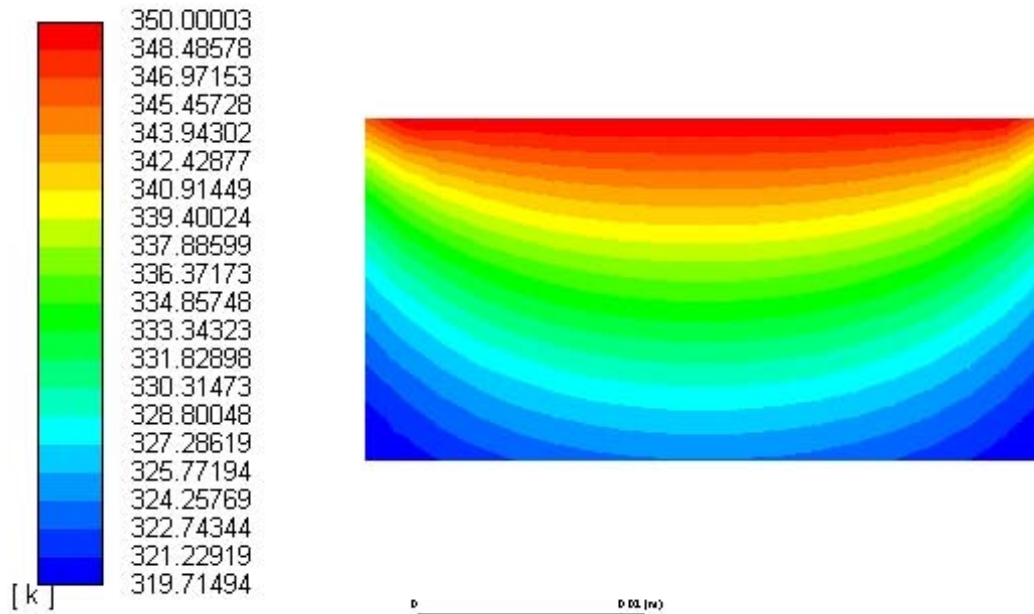


Figure 3: Static Temperature for Al-Ox Nanofluid with heat transfer coefficient of $9000 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$

A nanofluid composed of 98% water and 2% aluminum oxide (of particle size 40nm) showed significant improvement (Figure 3) in the rate of heat transfer over water (Figure 2) and air (Figure 1). Faiza Nazir's results showed a 200% improvement over water's rate of heat transfer [7].

V. DISCUSSION

According to a handful of the research papers and experimental reports, the principal variables that accounted for the nanofluid's superior performance included: intensification of turbulence or eddy, suppression or interruption of the boundary layer as well as dispersion or back mixing of the suspended

nanoparticles, in addition to the nanoparticles' thermal conductivity and heat capacity [12].

VI. CONCLUSION

The Al_2O_3 (40nm @ 2% volume) nanofluid had the best cooling performance of the three tested materials.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Picking, aligning, and placing objects of different shapes and sizes is a very common task in the automation industry. The most commonly used interfaces for picking involve vacuum force obtained via suction cups and sponges or mechanical friction provided by soft and rigid jaws [1], which have the higher capability to grip objects of different shapes, volumes, and masses without changing the jaw shapes. The jaws can be designed in different configurations and actuated either by pneumatic systems, which are noisy and expensive as they require a vacuum line, or by mechanical systems.

Parallel configuration is the most commonly used for picking objects of standard geometries, since higher dexterity configurations require a complex and expensive adaptive control strategy. One example of high dexterity configuration is the dexterous hand presented in [2], [3] and [4]. Examples of the complexity of the control strategy for this kind of solutions are reported in [5] for rolling approach, in [6] for sliding approach and [7] for gaiting approach. The choice of using a parallel gripper is justified in the manufacturing field by Bracken [8], who proposed a geometrical classification of parts to be gripped into six shape categories (i.e., spherical, rectangular, cylindrical, triangular, holed and flexible) and stated that the gripper able to deal with most shapes is the parallel two-jaw gripper.

Assuming that a robotic system is composed of a robot and a mechanical parallel gripper, it is possible to solve the alignment problem with two strategies: using a high degree of-freedom manipulator equipped with a gripper that has no alignment capability or performing the alignment by using the gripper rather than robot kinematics. Holladay et al. [9] demonstrated that the task can be solved in a shorter time and with a smaller work space using the second approach.

The orientation problem using only the gripper can be solved in several ways, but the most commonly used is pivoting [10]. It consists in closing the gripper jaws in such a way that the object can rotate around the axis passing through the contact points. Rao et al. [11] demonstrated the effectiveness of this orienting technique by making four degree of freedom robot to move a polyhedral part in space (along all the object's degrees of freedom). This approach takes advantage of gravity to complete the alignment so that the alignment system can be defined as passive. It also introduces a constraint on the gripping distance from the object's center of mass. Making the realignment system to be active allows to get rid of this constraint and to control the alignment angle, but the introduction of additional hardware decreases reliability while increasing costs.

In this paper, we propose and validate a new design with a passive realignment system to be integrated into parallel mechanical grippers. In addition, in pick and place operations it can be necessary to choose if the object has to be realigned or not, a problem that is addressed using a passive mechanical system integrating an angular sensor monitoring in real-

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time the inclination of the object and synthesising an appropriate control strategy based on planned actions.

II. RELATED WORKS

An example of a passive system is given by [12], where each jaw has a vertical V-groove cavity with a small hard contact point attached to an elastic strip that orthogonally crosses the groove. When the gripping force is low, the rotation is obtained by pivoting the object around the axis created by hard contact points that are free to rotate. When the force increases, the strip goes into the groove, thus constraining the object. The interesting feature is that the type of contact between the object and the jaw is a function of the gripping force. Although not suitable for cubic objects, this solution can be retrofitted to different parallel jaws. Another possible detrimental effect is that the point-like contact may damage the object surface, which is also subject to wear, and requires high accuracy in sensing the object to grasp and in planning for the proper gripping point. Additionally, the proper gripping force is another feature to be defined, which requires precise knowledge of the gripper-object friction coefficient.

Two other interesting examples are available in the literature, both based on pneumatic actuation. The one presented in [13] solves the problem of the correct gripping force choice by introducing an active rubber diaphragm between the jaw body and the fingertip. A bearing allows the fingertip to freely rotate when the diaphragm is not inflated, then the inflation allows it to stop quickly at a given angle. This design has the advantages of being fast and independent on the object geometry and grasping force. Additionally, it is equipped with a rotary magnetic encoder that allows for feedback control. The main limitation is the need for a pneumatic system.

The other solution presented in [14] uses an inflatable membrane to change the shape of the contact interface: when the pressure is high, the fingers have a prismatic shape and contact is restricted to a small area (ideally two points); when the pressure is low, the shape smoothly becomes a V-groove cavity, where cylindrical objects are held. The advantage of this design is that it is independent of the object geometry although it is only suitable to align cylindrical shapes and, again, it needs to be actuated by a pneumatic system.

The solution here presented is purely mechanical and passive, and integrates a sensing system. It can work with a wide range of object shapes while avoiding the use of a pneumatic system. It allows for a simpler, more reliable, and more cost-effective jaw design. The encoder also performs quick fault diagnosis, increasing robustness.

III. THE PASSIVE-SENSING JAWS

The jaws of the parallel gripper were designed with an innovative passive auto-alignment capability.

Each of the two jaws has a different design and accomplishes different functions in the alignment operation. The one in Fig. 1 only works as a pivot to align the object, the other in Fig. 2 has three additional features:

1. a v-groove cavity;
2. a counterweight at an offset to the rotation axis;
3. a rotation sensor.

The v-shape, provided with an elastic film, is made to better secure cylindrical objects, the surrounding planar surface is instead used to improve contact with prismatic pack

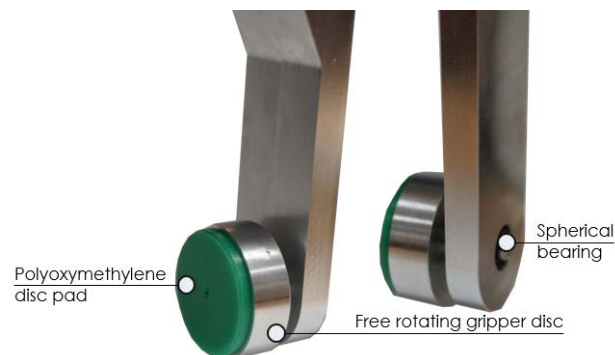


Fig. 1: Detail of the jaw provided of polymeric disc pad

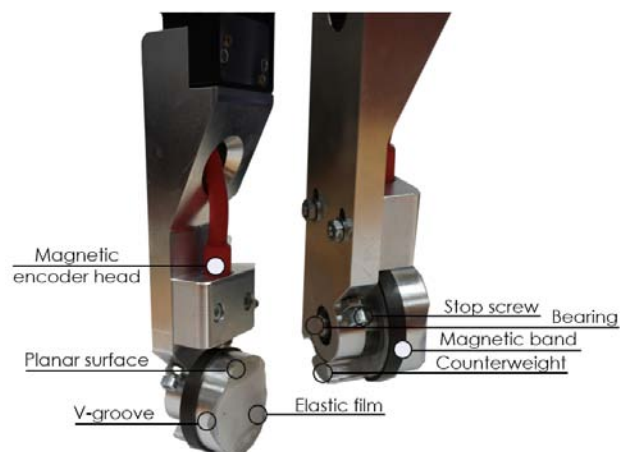


Fig. 2: Detail of the jaw provided of balancing mass and magnetic encoder

ages. The counterweight, on the other hand, has different functions: when the object is not grasped it makes the v shaped cavity parallel to the ground, allowing reliable grasping of cylindrical objects that lie with their axis parallel to the ground. The direction of the object's rotation depends on which side of the center of gravity it is grasped. On one side of the center of gravity, Fig. 3 (Extension 1), the object is not aligned because the rotation imposed by the gravity makes the counterweight motion in the direction of its end-stroke already reached. On the other side, Fig. 4 (Extension 1), the counterweight rotates in the other direction, making the package free to rotate in the same direction and reach its vertical position determined with the contact

with a stop screw. The reason why screws are used as mechanical stoppers is that the final angle can be tuned by tightening them. The tuning interval is $[-6, 20]$ degrees around vertical position. The rotation of the contact surfaces is obtained for both jaws using SKF 628/6-2Z deep groove ball bearings. The material used for both jaws is aluminum 7075 with an interchangeable polyoxymethylene pad in the free rotating gripper disc to change the friction value.

The second jaw, Fig. 2, has a support for the reading head of a magnetic encoder used to read the angle value. The sensor used is the LIKA SMB5 magnetic sensor together with LIKA MT50 tape. The angular resolution after wrap

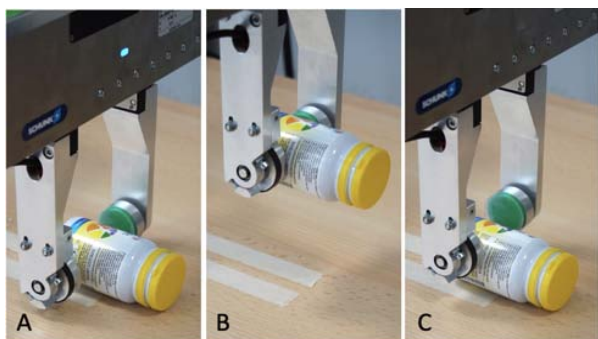


Fig. 3: Main sequence for moving a cylindrical object without alignment: (A) gripping with v-shaped cavity parallel to the ground, (B) lifting with fixed object, (C) releasing without movement of the jaw disks

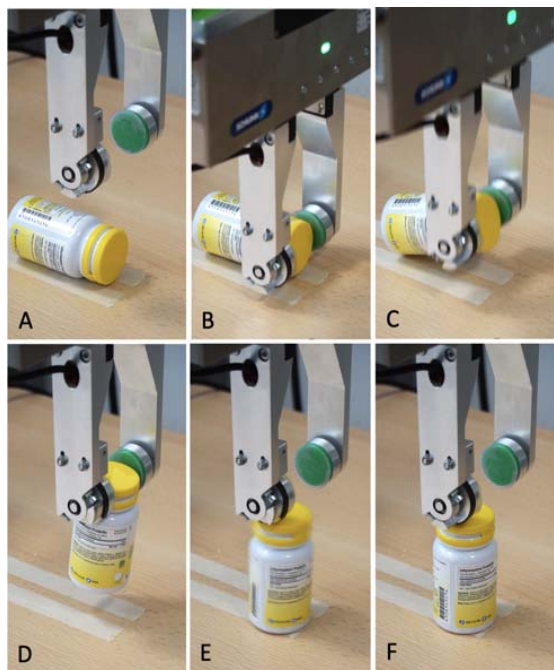


Fig. 4: Main sequence for moving a cylindrical object with alignment: (A-B) gripping with v-shaped cavity parallel to the ground, (C) lifting with the object rotation until the end of the counterweight stroke (D), (E-F) releasing with the counterweight and v-shaped cavity moving parallel to the ground

ping the magnetic strip on a 32 mm diameter cylinder be comes 1.15° , maximum speed is 16 m s^{-1} (100 rad s^{-1}). The encoder is equipped with the external LIKA IF40 converter that performs interpolation and provides digital output. The angle sensor is added also with the purpose of making the system able to detect faults and misalignment. It enables the robot controller to move the end-effector so that the object can be aligned in the best possible way, in terms of time and final angle with respect to the vertical direction, before releasing the package. In case of fault the system could drop the object and run again an alignment process.

IV. EXPERIMENTAL ANALYSIS ON PHARMACEUTICAL PACKAGING

The application fields of the developed system are many. In this work it has been tested for the alignment of packages for pharmaceutical use. In particular, their shape can be both prismatic and cylindrical with the geometric requirements of Fig. 5. As shown in Fig. 5, the average percentage (AVG) of cylindrical packages out of the overall worldwide packages depends on the country. Their weight is less than 800 g.

The packages has to be placed in a position of maximum-stability: the cylindrical have to be placed in vertical position; the prismatic maximizing the contact surface.

V. SYSTEM DESIGN

This section describes the important features of the hard ware components and the developed software used for statistical experiments.

a) Hardware Components

Fig. 6 shows the components used for testing.

Robot: The robot is the HS-4345 4-axis SCARA robot designed by Denso robotics. It has four links connected with three revolute and one prismatic joints.

Controller: The RC8 controller is the interface between the robot and the PC. From a software point-of-view, the ORiN middleware is used to build the client application to communicate with the controller. In this work the coded client application requests a service sending a packet over TCP stream using b-CAP communication protocol. Server assigns commands and responds to the client to confirm the service execution is completed.

Laser: Keyence LK-G157 laser displacement was used to set the position of the object's center of mass with respect to the object's main axis. The repeatability of the instrument is $0.5 \mu\text{m}$.

Parallel gripper: The Shunk WSG 50 parallel gripper is used to actuate prototype jaws. It is equipped with force and position sensors and controlled sending commands via TCP/IP protocol.

b) Software Description

A state machine was designed to control the whole alignment process, whose main states, summarised in Fig. 7, are:

Idle: In Idle state the system is waiting to receive the object information about its shape, dimensions, mass, position and orientation, and if it has to be placed in maximum stability condition or only its location has to be changed. For the test application presented in this paper, all these information in were provided manually as input, while, in actual operative conditions, a dedicated vision system connected to a database will be used.

Positioning: In positioning state, the robot moves to the gripping point specified with a final end-effector position in the operational space and following an optimal planned path.

Gripping: Here the gripper grabs the object and uses its force sensors to detect the presence of the object: in case the object is lost, an error is returned and the system goes back to Idle state.

Lifting: The robot lifts the object and, depending on the gripping point, the object will be aligned or not. The height at which the object is lifted depends on object dimension and on the gripping point. When package alignment is needed, the lifting and pivoting phases show a damped second order dynamic with different characteristics for different medicine packages, as shown by the encoder signals time evolution in Fig. 8 obtained with a sampling frequency of 100 Hz.

Robot Moving: The robot moves the object to the release point. During this phase the gripper, with its alignment axis, must always be orthogonal to the tangent of the trajectory. The direction of the robot's motion is selected such that the inertial force caused by the robot's acceleration adds an alignment torque to the

package (i.e. it pushes the object to the mechanical stroke limit). In this way, if the object is already at the end of its stroke, the lateral acceleration acts on a constrained degree of freedom and does not affect the final angle.

Object Release: This final phase is crucial for the success of the orientation process and only depends on the final angle at the end of the motion phase. Fig. 9 shows the geometric condition for correctly releasing the cylinder in its stable configuration (cone stability).

The critical value of β , β_{cr} , is found making the ratio between the position of the object center of mass (CM) and the object diameter at the bottom surface.

Perception Loop: In the Perception loop the smart end effector perceives and combines information such as the current gripper position P_o , the final desired one P_p , the current object angle (θ_i), the gripping distance (h) w.r.t. the center of mass (CM), the object diameter (D) and its height (H), to plan the trajectory. Those information are used to realign the package using a reference alignment vertical plate if the object needs to be further aligned before release.

In particular, by the perceived information, the robot moves the gripper to the plate at a distance based on the radius of the cylindrical envelope of the package increased by a safety factor (d_f). A parametric arc movement forces the gripper to be parallel to the vertical plate, Fig. 10. The path chosen in this way guarantees the packages to be tangential to the wall at the final point P_p .

In this phase, the value of the object inclination (θ_i) is constantly checked along the planned gripper trajectory to determine when the object can be correctly released.

In Fig. 11 it is shown the sampled signal (100 Hz sampling frequency) of the rotary sensor during a full

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Dimensioni confezioni	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN
Width	176 mm	19 mm	170 mm	19 mm	169 mm	20 mm	174 mm	20 mm	176 mm	19 mm
Lenght	265 mm	29 mm	286 mm	37 mm	283 mm	28 mm	258 mm	31 mm	286 mm	28 mm
Height	109 mm	12 mm	113 mm	12 mm	118 mm	10 mm	108 mm	13 mm	118 mm	10 mm
3D Diagonal	315 mm	61 mm	307 mm	62 mm	335 mm	65 mm	266 mm	64 mm	335 mm	61 mm
Diam. cylinders	123 mm	29 mm	138 mm	31 mm	105 mm	24 mm	135 mm	34 mm	138 mm	24 mm
Height cylinders	101 mm	24 mm	111 mm	18 mm	118 mm	21 mm	97 mm	18 mm	118 mm	18 mm
% cylinders	0,12%	0,00%	3,48%	0,07%	33,95%	14,52%	3,19%	0,00%	33,95%	0,00%
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Fig. 5: Size of drug packages worldwide

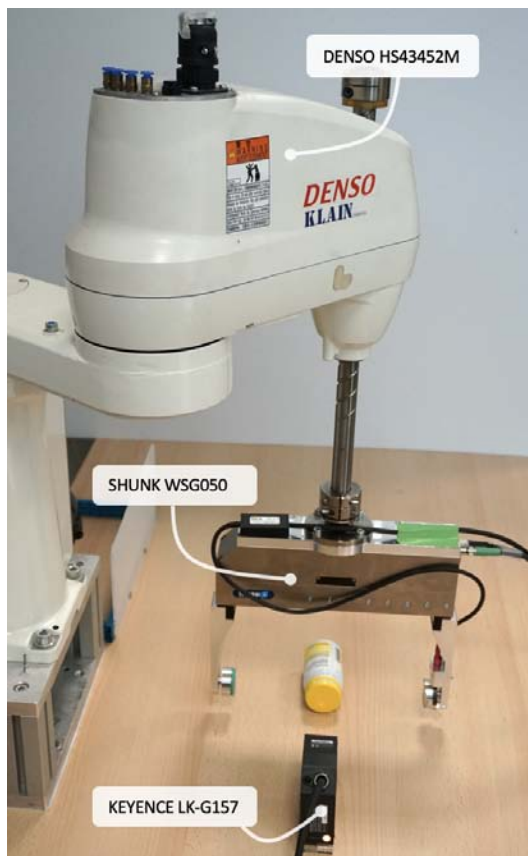


Fig. 6: System Architecture

alignment cycle and the effect of the different phases of the alignment cycle on the angle, described in the Perception Loop phase. In particular, at 3.5 s the object is gripped and lifted, reaching a final angle of approximately 40° . The robot forward acceleration makes the angle to stabilize around 55° at 5.5s, but this is not sufficient for having a successful release because the critical angle for this particular package equals 68° .

As a consequence, the robot moves towards the vertical plate, that makes the final angle to be around 90° degrees allowing a safe release.

The code to manage the finite state machine for picking, positioning, aligning and releasing operations is written in C language on Microsoft Windows operating system. A multi-thread application was coded to simultaneously control the SCARA robot, the gripper and read the angle value, Fig. 12.

VI. DESIGN OF THE EXPERIMENTS

In this section we carry out a statistical analysis to validate the system design and present the obtained results. The design validation should verify the following hypothesis: system is able to pick up, perform pivoting and aligning of packages of different shapes and weights, in a reduced amount of time and with a low error percentage.

A first factorial screening experiment is performed in order to identify factors that have stronger influence on the pivoting capability. The response surface is then obtained and used to find the factors combination that leads to the worst final angle and the largest settling time. In other terms, this first experiment allows to obtain the worst operating condition for pivoting success. In this condition the complete pick align-place operation is performed to check the robustness of the system with real drug packages. In this final study, the effectiveness of the system is assessed through the percentage of successfully completed alignment operations.

All the statistical analysis was performed in RStudio, an integrated development environment for R programming language.

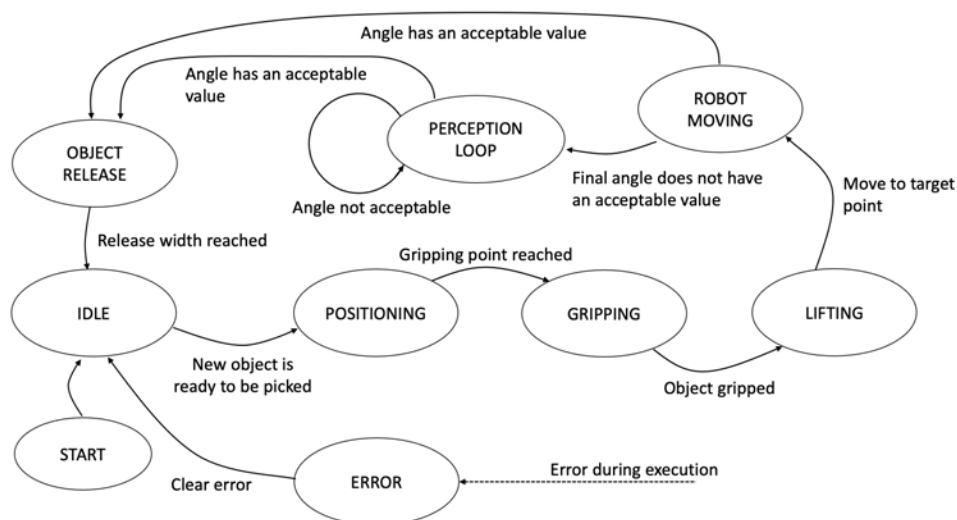


Fig. 7: State Machine with transition conditions

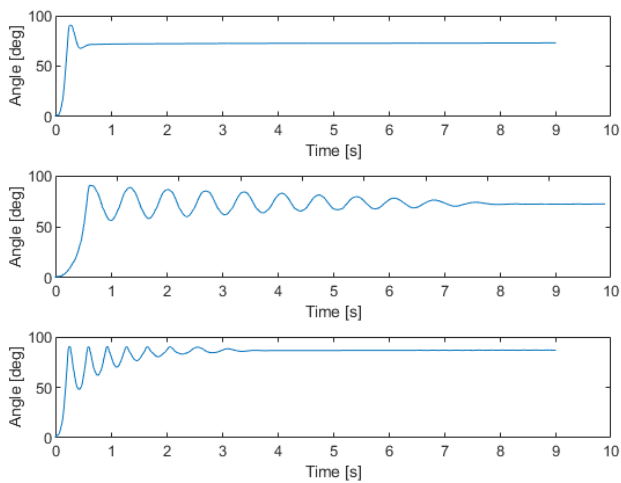


Fig. 8: Three signals sampled during the lifting and pivoting phase for different packages: The upper plot refers to large diameter, high package filled with homogeneous material. The middle one refers to large diameter, low height package filled with homogeneous material and the bottom one refers to small diameter, high package filled with non-homogeneous material

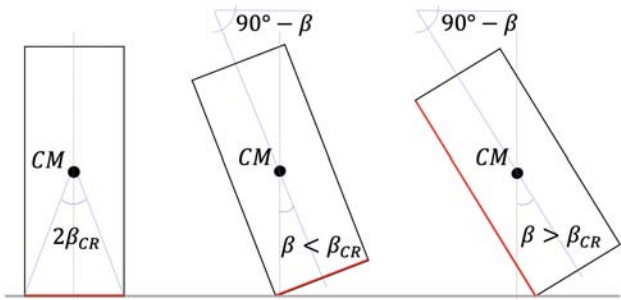


Fig. 9: Geometric condition for alignment success (cone of stability) with β the package's angle with the vertical plane and β_{cr} the threshold angle for stability. In red the final stability side of the package after release

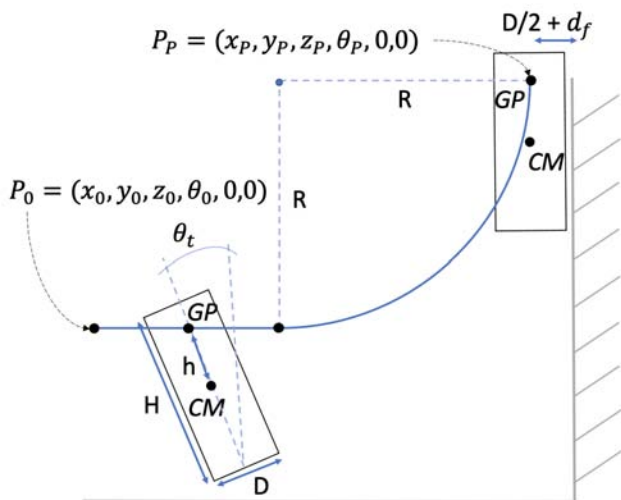


Fig. 10: Parametric arc curve from initial object's position P_0 to its final position P_p

a) Screening Experiment

The factorial experiment is the most efficient type of experiment for screening. After obtaining the factors significance, the objective is to obtain the response surface. The factorial design is augmented with several observations at the center to fit a model linear in all factors but one, which is quadratic. If the ANOVA shows that the quadratic term is significant, then we need to augment the factorial plan to a 3^n Central Composite Design, if not, a linear 2^n model is a reliable approximation. Blocking is used to perform sequential experimentation and augment the factorial design only if the second-order model is needed [15].

The choice of factors levels comes from prior and actual knowledge of the process and is made to fit the real operating conditions of the process when performing the central composite design. The design factors chosen for the factorial experiment with their low (L), center (C) and high (H) levels are reported below.

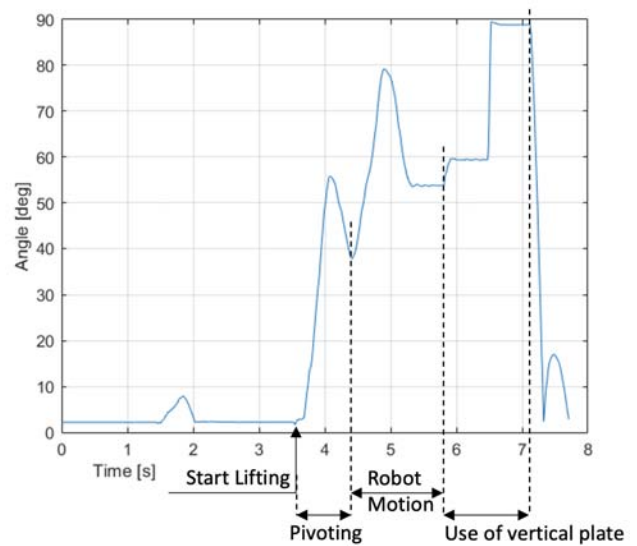


Fig. 11: Angle signal sampled during a full alignment cycle

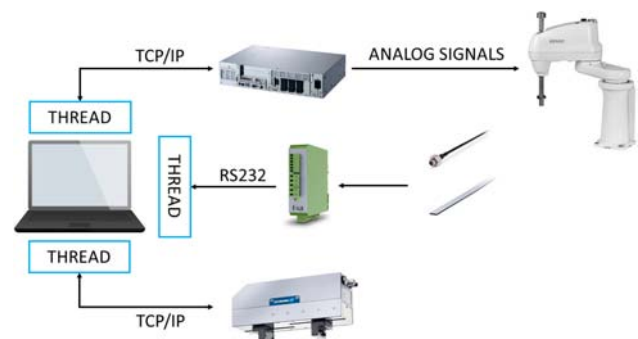


Fig. 12: Communication protocols overview

A. Distance percentage w.r.t. the geometrical center of mass, Fig. 13(b); L: 10% - C: 50% - H: 90%.
B. Object diameter; L: 35mm - C: 52.5mm - H: 70mm. C. Object height; L: 60mm - C: 90mm - H: 120mm.

D. Distance percentage of the inner material center of mass w.r.t. the container center of mass, Fig. 13(a)); L : 0% - C : 50% - H : 100%.

E. Robot vertical acceleration (percentage of the maximum allowed for the package mass); L : 20% - C : 40% - H : 60%.

F. Friction coefficient at gripping interface; L : standard interface - C : elastic film on V-shaped cavity - H : elastic film on both interfaces.

G. Gripping force; L : 10N - C : 19N - H : 28N.

All the other controllable factors affecting the alignment operation are held constant. The most relevant assumptions made during factors selection are presented hereafter.

Assuming that the gripper always makes the pivoting axis orthogonal to the cylinders longitudinal axis, the only gripper degree of freedom that is varied is the position along grip ping axis, all the others are held constant. Also the vertical distance of the grip from the plane is assumed fixed because, even if there is an error in estimating the diameter of the object, the V shape helps to center the grip.

When gripping an object, the gripping force rises from zero to its nominal value with a dynamics that depends on equivalent stiffness and damping at gripping interface. Here the transient is considered negligible and the force is assumed to ideally go from zero to its nominal value before gripping starts.

Mass, volume, inertia moment, diameter, height and gripping distance are not independent factors, so it is not possible to design an experiment taking all of them as factors.

Volume V , inertia moment, gripping distance d and material type are substituted with two factors: the relative distance of gripping point from the geometrical center of mass (A) and the relative distance of the center of mass of the inner material from the geometrical center of mass of the container (D). This is non zero when the material is non-homogeneous, while it is zero otherwise. For non-homogeneous materials, we refer to the unconstrained material contained within the package, e.g., pills or powders. On the other hand, for homogeneous material we refer to uniformly constrained materials such as fully filled liquid jars or thick creams.

The response variables of particular interest to characterize the alignment process are the final angle and the settling time. The first quantifies the alignment in steady state condition, when oscillations are completely damped, the second instead takes into account the alignment dynamics.

To satisfy the statistical requirements of the independence of observations, the matrix for the final design was generated randomizing the experiment order. A set of different 3D printed cylindrical objects is used to create all combinations of geometrical factors, shown in Fig. 14. They are filled with materials of

different densities in order to obtain the same mass value. In Fig. 14, the orange and the black objects are filled with homogeneous and non-homogeneous material, respectively. In the latter case, the ratio between the position of the material center of mass w.r.t. the cylinder and the cylinder height is constant.

i. Results

The analysis of variance is performed on the factorial design added with central points. The fitted model for angle response variable is $Angle \sim A * B * C * D * E * F * G + A^2$, the one for time variable is $Time \sim A * B * C * D * E * F * G + A^2$. The F values and p-values of the factors are reported in Tab. 1 and Tab. 2. The quadratic term is added to check if the 2^n factorial plan has to be augmented to a 3^n Central Composite Design. The high p-value of the quadratic term in both models proves that the linear model is sufficient to describe the system behaviour.

The analysis of variance response surfaces are then obtained fitting a first order model to the factorial data added to central points. Finally, the steepest descent path is determined to obtain the combination of factors that led to the worst condition for final angle and aligning time. A visual interpretation is given here reporting the values of factors when moving down the steepest descent path at 0.5 distance from the center point and at the factors high level (distance 1 from the center point). Results are reported in Tab. 3 and Tab. 4.

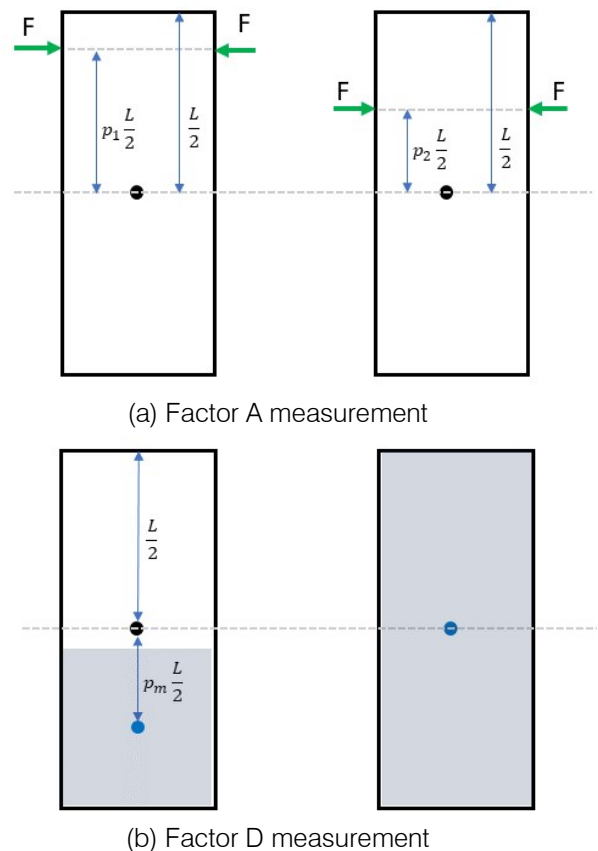


Fig. 13: Relative definition for factors

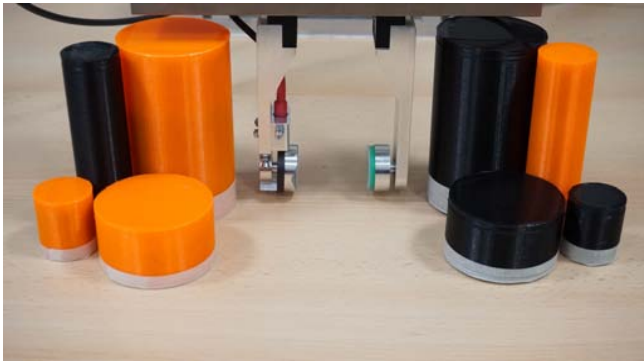


Fig. 14: Cylindrical 3D printed objects representing different factors combinations

The worst case for the final angle in the chosen range of operating conditions occurs when pivoting is performed with:

- A: low gripping distance percentage
- B: high diameter

Table 1: ANOVA results for angle variable

Factor	F value	p-value
(A) Gripping distance	341.46	4.84e-13
(B) Diameter	1448.04	< 2.2e-16
(C) Height	996.87	< 2.2e-16
(D) Material	37.57	9.521e-09
(E) Vertical acceleration	5.547	0.02
(F) Friction coefficient	14.14	2.54e-4
(G) Gripping force	0.38	0.54
A ²	0.60	0.44

Table 2: ANOVA results for time variable

Factor	F value	p-value
(A) Gripping distance	3157.99	< 2.2e-16
(B) Diameter	280.32	< 2.2e-16
(C) Height	232.70	< 2.2e-16
(D) Material	15.73	1.193-4
(E) Vertical acceleration	11.31	1e-3
(F) Friction coefficient	10.71	1.36e-3
(G) Gripping force	142.88	< 2.2e-16
A ²	2.43	0.12

Table 3: Factors value on the steepest descent path for angle surface

Dist.	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.5	-0.20	0.33	-0.29	0.12	-0.02	0.02	0.01
1	-0.42	0.59	-0.60	0.32	-0.09	0.04	0.02

The worst case for the aligning time in the chosen range of operating conditions occurs when pivoting is performed with:

- A: high gripping distance percentage
- B: high diameter
- C: high height
- D: non-constrained material
- E: high vertical acceleration
- F: low friction coefficient
- G: low gripping force

Table 4: Factors value on the steepest descent path for time surface

Dist.	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.5	0.23	0.28	0.27	-0.09	0.00	-0.06	-0.19
1	0.47	0.55	0.54	-0.21	0.05	-0.13	-0.35

These results are in accordance with the physics of the problem. The system can be modeled as a damped physical pendulum with additional energy loss caused by the bump against the stop screw. The amount of energy dissipated during the bump depends on the restitution factor. For what concerns the final angle, its value depends on the final balance between the torque of the gravity force that acts on the package center of mass and the unbalancing mass one. A short gripping distance implies a short lever arm for the gravity torque, resulting in a lower angle value. The unconstrained material moves to the bottom of the



(a) Package 1: 520x44 mm 52 gr (b) Package 2: 90x35 mm 175 gr

Fig. 15: Worst package for release (a) and for pivoting (b)

container, making the aligning torque after transient to be larger than the constrained case. It follows that the worst case is represented by the constrained material case. A high gripping force can prevent the bearings from correctly rotate and a low acceleration does not help in the aligning operation.

Analyzing the time variable, the high gripping distance contribute to have a larger torque, while the non-constrained material adds an aligning torque to the system when the package starts to rotate. The large diameter and large height condition makes the inertia moment, and consequently the kinetic energy, to be higher. The kinetic energy is also increased by the large vertical acceleration. Since a larger kinetic energy implies to have more bumps and a longer transient, the final aligning time results to be longer.

The time needed for the entire aligning operation depends on several factors, one of the most relevant being the package initial and final position and orientation. Moreover, the aligning angle and time are highly depending on the robot lateral dynamics. By assuming that the robot will be operated to minimize the time of the process, next experiments to validate the gripper in the whole robotic system are performed fixing only the geometric conditions at their worst for the aligning angle:

- B: larger diameter
- C: short height
- D: homogeneous material

b) Testing: Pick-align-place

The worst-case drug package characteristics found for pivoting in Section 5.1 are not the same as those for the release operation. The latter case is influenced only by pure geometric considerations from the values of the position of the center of mass and the diameter of the object at the bottom surface as seen in section 4.1. In contrast with the diameter, the position of the center of mass is affected by uncertainty, especially if the material contained in the package is not homogeneous. We can assume that the center of mass in the geometric center of gravity is a good approximation and conservative. In fact, even though pharmaceutical packages contain heterogeneous material, due to the effect of gravity during rotations, the inside material would go to the lower part and this would lower the center of mass increasing the critical angle for stability. To have a small height and small diameter implies a lower critical angle, so another package of drugs was selected to take into account the worst case for release, which is reported in Fig. 15(b).

In order to provide a complete analysis of the system, two test campaigns were carried out to validate the robustness of final design on both worst cases with packages of Fig. 15. The centres of mass of both packages correspond to the geometric centres due to the homogeneity of the material contained inside.

In order to take into account the most critical source of uncertainty related to the identification of the object position and therefore its center of mass estimation, both the previously defined drug packages are tested randomly varying the gripping point between 10% and 90% of their half eighth (Fig. 16). In both cases, 200 gripping positions are generated from a uniform distribution, and the releasing success is tested for both packages after pivoting only and also with the robot moving on a trajectory.

i. Results

The results of these experiments are presented in Tab. 5 and Tab. 6. All the incorrect alignments occurs when the gripping distance is near 10%.

VII. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have presented an innovative design for a smart robotic gripper able to grasp objects of cylindrical and prismatic shapes and then orient them through a mechanically passive alignment system. The gripper is endowed with sensors to detect object misalignment and, if necessary, uses an external vertical plate for re-orientation. The statistical performance analysis shows that the worst condition for the pivoting operation is represented by small height, large diameter packages filled with homogeneous material. Moreover, geometrical considerations on object stability are made to find the worst packages characteristics for release success: small height, small diameter, filled with homogeneous material.

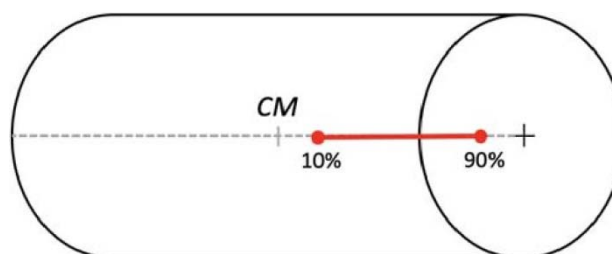


Fig. 16: Gripping interval between 10% and 90% of the cylindrical package half height

Table 5: Percentage of alignment success for package 1

Success rate for the worst package for pivoting		
After pivoting	After motion	After aligning loop
84.5 %	97.5 %	98.5 %

Table 6: Percentage of alignment success for package 2

Success rate for the worst package for release		
After pivoting	After motion	After aligning loop
87.5 %	96.5 %	99 %

Two commercial packages representing the two worst cases are tested in different working conditions. When both packages are released after the vertical motion of the robot, considering also the robot lateral motion and using an additional vertical plate as backup solution to complete the alignment operation, the success rate considering also the worst cases is around 99%.

The cases in which the alignment is not successful are those in which the gripping point is close to the center of gravity. The probability of success consistently increase with a vision system that can reliably estimate the position of the centre of mass. The results shows that the percentage of success of the system is high even in the worst operating conditions, see Extension 1.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND RESEARCH METHOD

The cenosphere is an aluminosilicate microsphere composed of aluminosilicate cenospheres or fly ash cenospheres (FAC). It is emitted together with fly ash during the combustion of pulverized coal particles. Volatile and floating are synonymous with the lightest part of the ash, and floating ash is a special light particle that floats and accumulates on the surface of the ash storage water. Cenospheres, which belong to the group of fly ash microspheres, are currently widely used as fillers for artificial materials and other products [1-3]. Large volumes of fly ash are discharged into the natural lakes of the ash storage facilities of the Ekibastuz GRES-1 and GRES-2 in the Pavlodar region of Kazakhstan, most of which accumulates along the coast of the lakes. Therefore, they are called floating ash.

The main objective of the study is to use the cenosphere of fly ash from Ekibastuz GRES-1 and GRES-2 of Kazakhstan as part of aerated concrete, and it is planned to test the effect of the cenosphere of ash components in the concrete mix and other factors on the properties of aerated concrete. Tests and confirmation for compliance with the results of the preliminary and main tests were carried out by the method of mathematical modeling.

Currently, the use of fundamental and applied scientific methods to determine the optimal research regime is increasing. The survey data will be processed mathematically and statistically to determine the average values of the numerical indicators of the studies, change their values in a certain space to obtain a mathematical model of the study, and then analyze the model to obtain the most effective study option using optimization methods. Mathematical modeling is the representation of the number of research experiments, factors and their relationship to each other in the form of tables, graphs and equations.

Mathematical modeling research refers to the relationship between the characteristics of influencing factors, production technology and product characteristics. The mathematical notation of the general form of the mathematical model is as follows:

$$Y = A \{X\}$$

Here: Y- is the output parameter of the study. It represents the main characteristics of the product, which are variously called objective functions or optimization parameters. A-input parameter is an operator that defines the mathematical operation of the transition to the output factor, i.e. the mathematical model. X- is the input factor. It is often called arguments. To obtain a mathematical model of research work, when a combination of theoretical and experimental methods is achieved, in this case the best results are achieved. Here, the theoretical method is used to analyze the

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structural properties of the object of study and the product to obtain a general form of the equation (model), however, to determine the numerical values of the coefficients of the calculated part or equation and verify the theoretical conclusions, the experimental method should be used. If the result of the study of indicators is a random number, but in which the input parameter has a fixed value, and not random, then the mathematical model is called a regression model.

The experiment planning matrix is a numerical table showing the change in the values of factors in various sequences of experiments. Planning in which all factors change simultaneously is called experimental multi-factor planning. If the resulting equation for representing the object of study in the form of a mathematical model is non-linear, a second-order mathematical model is constructed [4,6,7].

II. THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY AND THE MAIN PART

The purpose of the study is to experimentally determine and establish the influence of constituent components and other factors on the physical and mechanical properties of aerated concrete. The correspondence between the results of the preliminary and main experiments is confirmed by mathematical modeling. For mathematical planning of the experiment, the compressive strength and average density of

aerated concrete were taken as the main parameters (output parameters), the amount of ash- X_1 , the amount of lime- X_2 and the water temperature- X_3 were chosen as influencing factors. On this basis, the planning matrix (table 1.) and the test matrix (table 2.) were compiled. The total number of experiments in the three-factor matrix is $N = 20$. Here, the number of repeated experiments at the main point ($n_0 = 8$), the number of experiments at the hot point ($n_g = 6$), the number of tests at the remote point ($n_y = 6$) and the values of the remote point of the lines ($a = (-) (+) 1.682$). The purpose of the study and the main part. When planning an experiment of mathematical modeling, changes in the amount of ash, lime and water temperature are based on the results of previous experiments on the influence of factors on the properties of aerated concrete with a floating ash mixture at Ekibastuz GRES. In the composition of aerated concrete, Portland cement was chosen as the main binder, sand was used as an aggregate, and aluminum powder was used as a blowing agent. For testing, standard samples of cubes $10 \times 10 \times 10$ cm in size were made, which were removed from the mold after being kept in a heat-moist treatment chamber at a temperature of 80°C for 14 hours. Based on the test, data on compressive strength and bulk density after hardening were obtained. within 28 days under normal conditions.

Table 1: Experiment planning matrix (initial data)

Influencing factors (code)	Unit measurements	Level of influencing factors					Intermediate value, J_i
		- X_{remote} -1,682	X_{lower} (-1)	X_{0} (0)	X_{upper} (+1)	+ X_{remote} 1,682	
Number of ash cenospheres., (X_1)	%	14,7	25	40	55	65,2	15
Amount of lime, (X_2)	%	1,6	5	10	15	18,4	5
Water temperature, (X_3)	$^\circ\text{C}$	53,2	60	70	80	96,8	10

Table 2: Trial Matrix and Results

n	N	Coded factor values			Actual values of factors			Outgoing indicators (MPa), test repetition				$\sigma_N^2(\bar{Y})$	\bar{Y}_R (MPa)	$\bar{Y}_{\rho(V)}$ (кг/м^3)
		x_1	x_2	x_3	X_1	X_2	X_3	Y_1	Y_2	Y_3	\bar{Y}			
n_h	1	+	+	+	55	15	80	1,40	1,33	1,28	1,34	0,0073	1,73	790
	2	+	+	-	55	15	60	1,28	1,31	1,36	1,31	0,0017	1,73	810
	3	+	-	+	55	5	80	1,79	1,72	1,81	1,77	0,0021	2,08	880
	4	+	-	-	55	5	60	1,66	1,60	1,83	1,70	0,0142	2,08	861
	5	-	+	+	25	15	80	2,65	2,59	2,67	2,63	0,0016	2,61	844
	6	-	+	-	25	15	60	2,58	2,54	2,65	2,59	0,0031	2,61	835
	7	-	-	+	25	5	80	2,80	2,83	2,87	2,83	0,0012	2,72	877
	8	-	-	-	25	5	60	2,78	2,82	2,84	2,81	0,009	2,72	872
n_r	9	-1,682	0	0	14,7	10	70	2,92	2,97	2,90	2,93	0,0013	3,17	932
	10	+1,682	0	0	65,2	10	70	2,68	2,60	2,61	2,63	0,0019	1,90	783
	11	0	-	0	40	1,6	70	2,62	2,53	2,50	2,55	0,0039	2,39	840



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	12	0	+1, 682	0	40	18,4	70	2,40	2,37	2,36	2,34	0,0014	2,00	857
	13	0	0	- 1,68 2	40	10	53,2	2,30	2,31	2,31	2,31	0,0001	2,14	819
	14	0	0	+1, 682	40	10	96,8	2,45	2,54	2,44	2,47	0,0031	2,14	805
n ₀	15	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,40	2,49	2,40	2,43	0,0027	2,41	831
	16	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,40	2,35	2,42	2,39	0,0013	2,41	826
	17	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,37	2,39	2,41	2,39	0,0005	2,41	833
	18	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,35	2,48	2,43	2,42	0,0043	2,41	834
	19	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,36	2,40	2,35	2,37	0,0007	2,41	828
	20	0	0	0	40	10	70	2,40	2,43	2,41	2,41	0,0002	2,41	833
											46,62	0,0534		16791

Based on the results of three-factor matrix experiments, a mathematical regression model was developed for three second-order factors of type 2³, representing changes in the strength and average density of aerated concrete, and the results of the study were determined. Next, the values of the influencing factors were determined, the values were changed in a certain space to obtain a mathematical model of the technological operation by experimental planning, and the output parameters of the model were optimized by

$$Y_R = 2,41 - 0,38x_1 - 0,1166x_2 + 0,031x_3 - 0,05x_1x_2 + 0,045x_1^2 - 0,0734x_2^2 - 0,093x_3^2$$

As a result of the experiment, the three-factor mathematical regression model for expressing the change in the volumetric mass of concrete is written as follows

$$Y_p = 830 - 24,71x_1 - 13,28x_2 - 8,87x_1x_2 - 4,37x_2x_3 + 11,28x_1^2 + 8,06x_2^2 - 4,87x_3^2$$

When analyzing mathematical models, the following was revealed: the ash content (x₁) and water temperature (x₃) more effectively affect the strength parameters, and the ash content (x₁) and lime (x₂) effectively affect the bulk mass parameters. To optimize the values of mathematical models representing the results of the experiment, the analytical method of the multifactorial objective function and the graphical method of central composition planning were used.

IV. CONCLUSION

When optimizing the analytical method of the multivariate objective function of the value of the output parameters of the three-factor mathematical regression model that expresses the properties of aerated concrete, the parameters found cover the indicated values in previous studies, with a minimum compressive strength of aerated concrete at a fixed point Y_R = 2.41 and a maximum average density Y_p = 916.

The graphical method for optimizing the values of mathematical models is based on central

the objective function formulas and by the graphical composition central planning method [5].

III. EXPERIMENT RESULTS

Based on the results of the experiments, the three-factor matrix of the multifactor mathematical regression model representing the change in the strength of aerated concrete is written as follows

compositional planning. For optimizations by a graphical method, we obtain an equation based on experimental results to plot the relationship between compressive strength and bulk density of concrete. Therefore, the steady state reflection function is curved and relatively well expressed as a second order polynomial. Since 6 parallel experiments were performed at the zero level of testing, the results of which allow us to evaluate the model. On the test graph, the red lines show the central test points, the yellow lines show the main test points, and the green lines show the remote test points.

- a) Characterizing the equations of the output parameters of the compressive strength and graphs of the surface of the reflection function depending on the value of the influencing factors

$$Y_R = 3.057 + 0.09X_1 + 0.33X_2 + 0.0015X_1^2 + 0.0004X_2^2 - 0.044X_1X_2$$

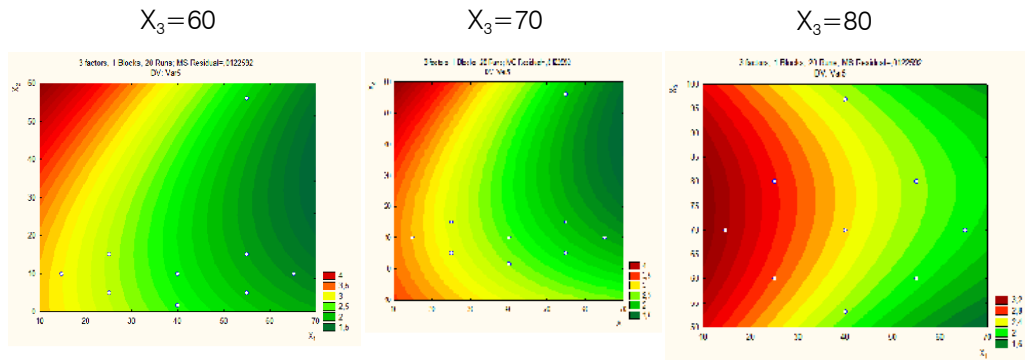


Figure 1: Graphs of synonymous lines on the reflection surface of the function Y_R depending on the values of the influencing factor X_3

$$Y_R = 0.04X_1 + 10.09X_2 + 0.00015X_1^2 - 0.006X_2^2 + 0.19$$

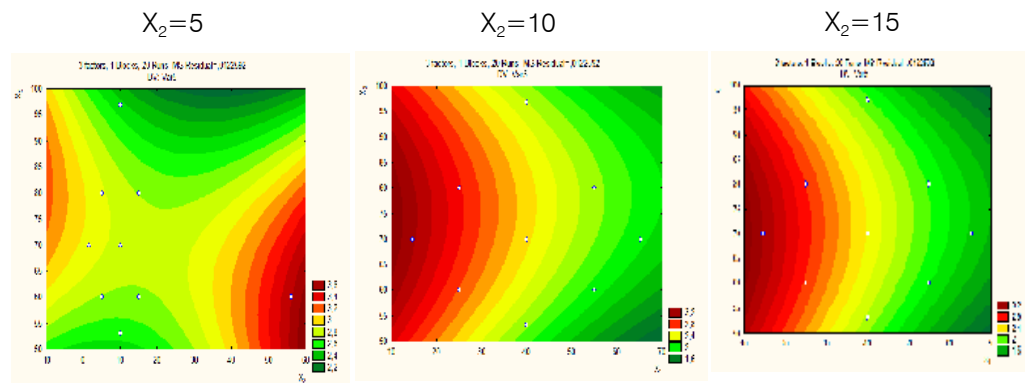


Figure 2: Graphs of synonymous lines on the reflection surface of the function Y_R depending on the values of the influencing factor X_2

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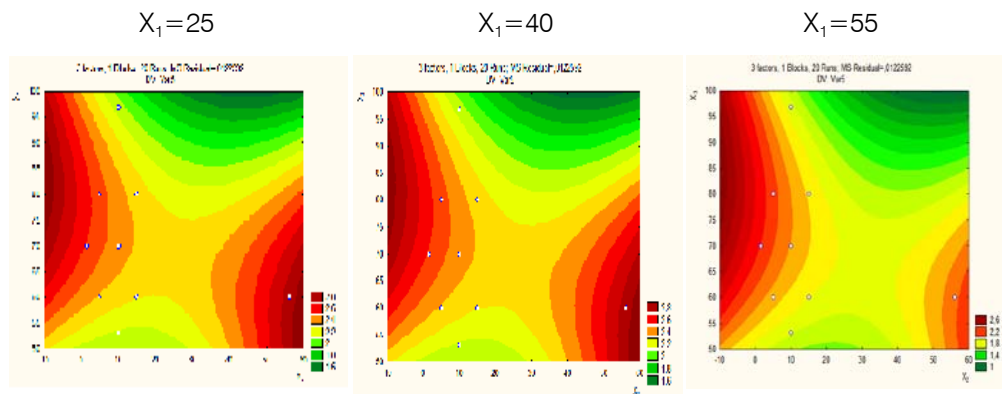


Figure 3: Graphs of synonymous lines on the reflection surface of the function Y_R depending on the values of the influencing factor X_1

- b) Characterizing equations for the output density parameter and graphs of the surface of the reflection function depending on the value of the influencing factors

$$Y_p = 0.41X_1 + 8.18X_2 + 871.5$$

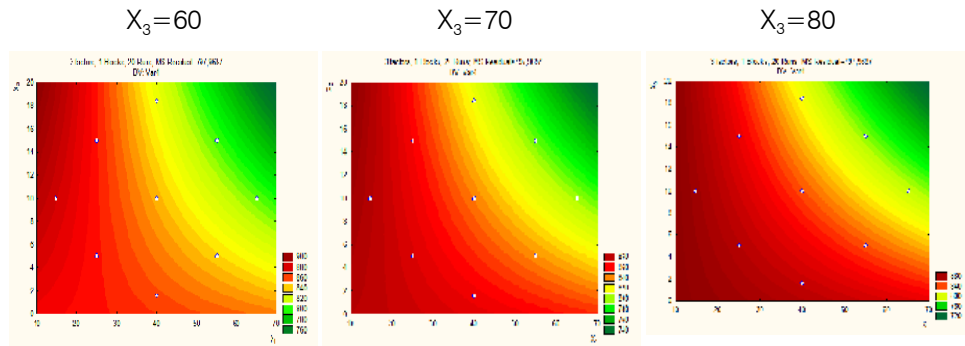


Figure 4: Graphs of synonymous lines on the reflection surface of the function Y_p depending on the values of the influencing factor X_3

$$Y_p = 1.12X_1 + 8.18X_2 + 816.7$$

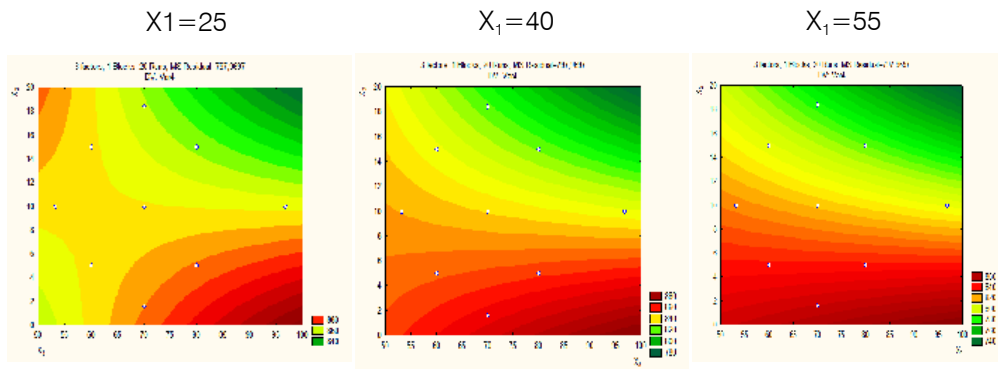


Figure 5: Graphs of synonymous lines on the reflection surface of the function Y_p depending on the values of the influencing factor X_1

$$Y_p = 1.12X_1 + 0.4X_2 + 846.9$$

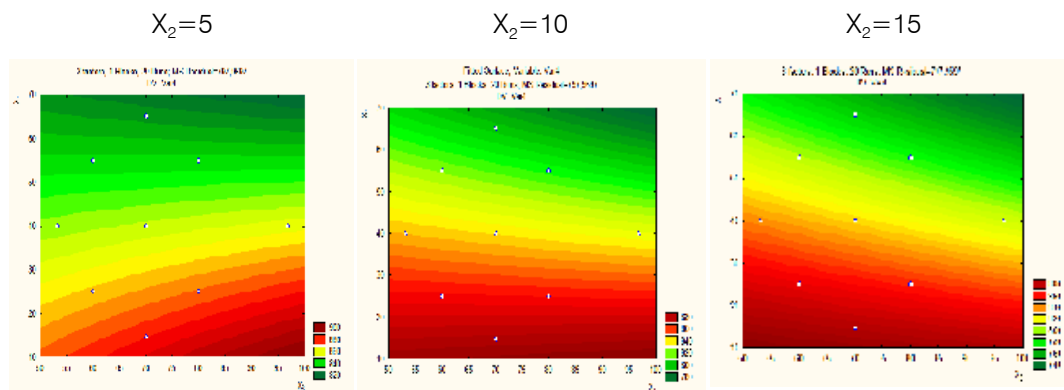


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As a result of graphical optimization for the outgoing strength indicators, the values of the points of the dependence graphs are 2.50; 2.40; 2.40 at the level of influencing factors $X_3 = 80$, $X_1 = 40$, $X_2 = 10$ are

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The fly ash cenosphere used in the study was relatively coarse-grained, consisted of up to 90% mullite crystals and a low content of calcium oxide and quartz, which weakened the reactivity and did not contribute to the achievement of high concrete strength.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Due to their compactness and their ability to transmit high loads at high speeds, gears are widely used in automotive and aerospace applications through speed reducers, power transmissions in wind turbines, etc. In gear drives energy efficiency improving may require reducing power losses. Power losses in gears (gearboxes, reducers, etc.) can be grouped into two categories: power losses depending on the transmitted load (friction at the contact areas between the teeth and friction in the bearings, etc.) and those independent of the transmitted load (losses due to the trapping of the lubricant, the ventilation of the mobiles, etc.). Several researchers have been interested in load-dependent losses and enough models exist. The oil trapping in the inter-tooth space and the ventilation of the spindles are the two main sources of power dissipation in the case of losses independent of the loads. Very few studies and models exist on the loss of power by lubricant trapping and by consequent on the modeling of lubricant leakage surfaces. The vast majority of studies concerning the modeling of lubricant trapping in the inter-tooth space are empirical, numerical, and semi-analytical and based on approximations and estimations.

The first experimental studies on this subject permitted to make a difference between load-depending and load-indeping losses. Devin R. and Hilty B. [1], made experimental investigations of load-independent losses caused by planetary gear sets and conclude that for high speeds (≥ 6000 rpm) the losses independent of the load become the major contributor. These experimental works allowed to develop and validate empirical, numerical and semi-analytical models.

Using NASA research center test rig, Anderson and al. [2], Krantz [3], Rohn and Handschuh [4] have developed several empirical formulas. Empirical formulations for the particular case of trapping losses in gears are based on the gears geometric parameters and include those of Terekhov [5], Wolfan Mauz [6], Butsch M. [7] and Maurer J. [8]. The empirical models developed provided global formulas for the estimation of pressing torque or power loss. It is necessary to point out that these formulas are only valid for external gearing and remain linked to the sensitivity and precision of the equipment used for the tests. Generally they are of very low precision with quite important deviations. As an example we can quote the model of Mauz [6], which indicates an uncertainty between 5 and 15% if the resisting torque is higher than 5 Nm and an uncertainty up to 50% for lower torque values. It is therefore necessary to set up another quite precise model. Many researchers have developed numerical models to understand the behavior of inter-tooth spaces during movement in order to estimate the power lost by trapping. Pechersky and Wittbrodt [9] used an approximation of the tooth profile expression to calculate the leakage surfaces. Diab Y. and al [10-11] have numerically evaluated the radial leakage surfaces (considered here as minimum distances between the tip corner of the gear and the profile) and they obtained the axial leakage surfaces by

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numerical integration. Abdelilah Lasri and al [12-14] used a numerical approximation to evaluate the radial surfaces (considered here as the minimum distance between the tooth profiles) and they obtained the axial leakage surfaces by numerical integration. David C. Talbot [15] calculates the power lost by trapping in planetary gears by discretizing in time and space the Conservation of Mass, Momentum and Energy equations. The leakage surfaces are obtained by numerical approximation through the surfaces meshing. Seetharaman and Kahraman [16] were inspired by the work of Pechersky and Wittbrodt [9] to establish a semi-analytical formulation for calculating leakage surfaces. However, several approximations are made there, namely a Taylor approximation of order 1 of the involute profile equation, the cancellation of certain portions of the surface, the use of approximate values of certain distances, etc. From the vectors ray approach, Massimo Rundo [17] established an analytical formula for trapped volume in crescent pumps. It is necessary to note that in this approach the length variation of the vector ray for an infinitesimal rotation is neglected. In addition, this formula is limited only to the portion where teeth profiles are in contact. For an efficient contribution to the power losses by the lubricant trapping of as well as the wear of the elements with a view to improve the energy performances in gears transmissions, it is essential to completely lift the veil on the inter-tooth zone during meshing. From the work of Seetharaman and Kahraman [16], we will establish a purely analytical model of the evolution of the radial and axial leakage surfaces as a function of the angle of rotation in a spur gear. This work has as particularity the use of the exact expression of the tooth profile in the calculations and the authenticity of the analytical expressions of the developed surfaces.

This work is divided into three main parts. The first part is devoted to the modeling of the tooth profile and the associated parametric equations. The second part deals with the calculations of the leakage surfaces from the tooth profile equations, with the radial leakage surface being considered as the minimum distance between the tooth profiles. The last part focuses on the results interpretation and the model validation. The model validation consist of a superposition of our results with those of A. Lasri and al [13] and Diab and al [10].

II. MATERIAL

a) Trapping Phenomenon

The lubricant used in gear transmissions to reduce corrosion, friction, cool the elements, etc., is trapped in the inter-tooth space during movement and becomes the seat of energy losses. Lubricant trapping is the jamming of the lubricant in the inter-tooth space during the meshing phase. The fraction of lubricant trapped in the inter-tooth space (in yellow in figure 1) is expelled under pressure radially toward the neighbouring pockets and or axially toward the outside of the gear during this phenomenon. The opposite phenomenon is reproduced during the unmeshing phase.

The geometry of the inter-tooth space relates to the type of tooth (straight, helical, hypoid, etc.) which constitutes the gear's wheels. In the particular case of spur gears, the axial leakage area remains constant over the tooth width. However, in the case of helical gear, the axial leakage area is variable over the tooth width.

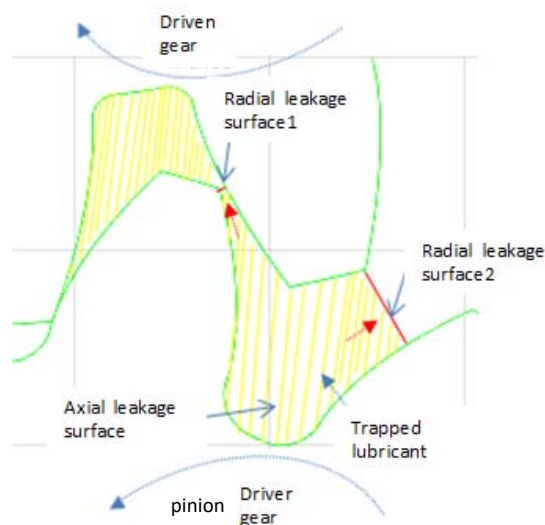


Figure 1: Inter-tooth space and trapped lubricant

b) Evolution of Radial and Axial Leakage Surfaces

The radial and axial leakage surfaces vary according to the angle of rotation. The further away from the initial position, the surfaces increase. Here, the initial position is the meeting point between the two pitch circles. The Figure 2 below illustrates the behavior of the leakage surfaces as a function of the angle of rotation from a) to h).

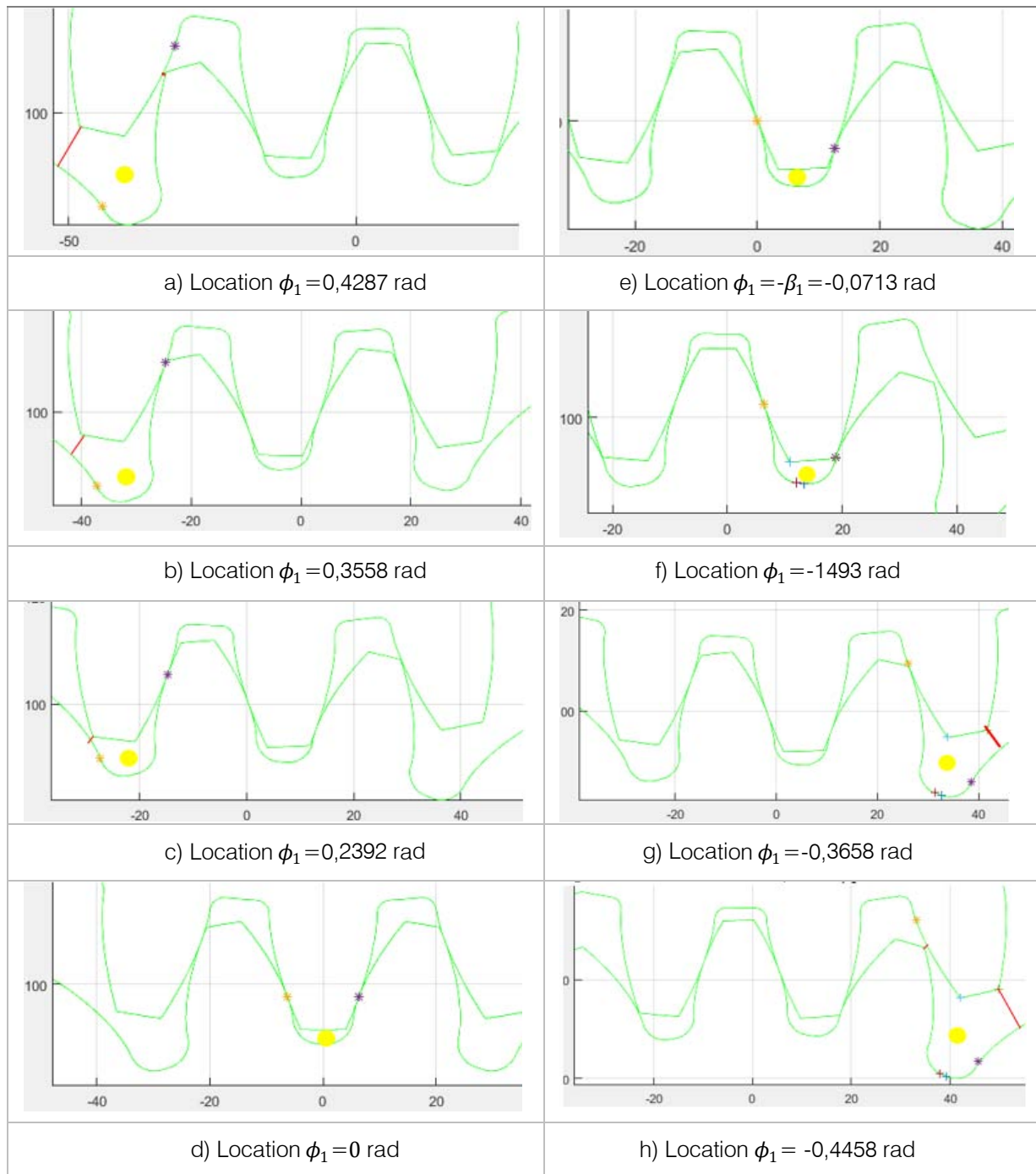


Figure 2: Evolution of the leakage surfaces as a function of the rotation angle

c) Coordinate System Linked to Gears

The pinion (driver) is associated to a fixed reference (O_f, x_f, y_f, z_f) and mobile reference (O_1, x_1, y_1, z_1) , which revolves around (O_f, z_f) by an angle ϕ_1 . Similarly, the gear (driven) is associated to fixed reference (O_p, x_p, y_p, z_p) and mobile reference (O_2, x_2, y_2, z_2) , which revolves around (O_p, z_p) by an angle ϕ_2 . Such as $\phi_2 = -(\rho_1/\rho_2) \phi_1 = -(r_1/r_2) \phi_1 = -(r_{s1}/r_{s2}) \phi_1$. Figure 3 below illustrates all these different references.

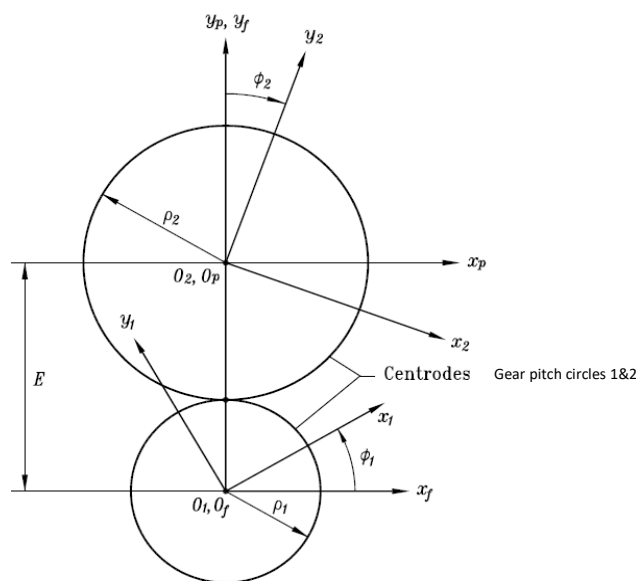


Figure 3: Tracking of gear system

In our calculations, the initial position is the position where the tooth profiles of the driving and driven gears meet at point I (the contact point between the pitch circles).

d) Geometry of a Spur Gear Tooth

The tooth shapes of spur gears are relative to the number of teeth. Generally, for a tooth, there will be the involute zone and the circular zone. Figure 4 below shows the detailed geometry of a 25-tooth gear.

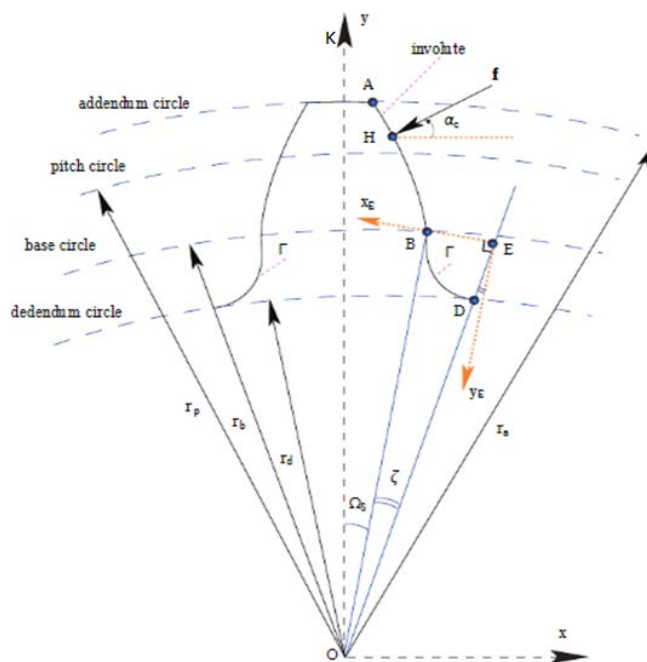


Figure 4: Geometry of an external spur gear

e) Leakage Surface and Border Points at a given Location

In a specific interval of the rotation angle, the profiles of the teeth meet, and consequently the radial leakage surfaces remain zero. Figure 5 below is a particular case. On this figure, C1 and C2 are the two contact points of the tooth profiles.

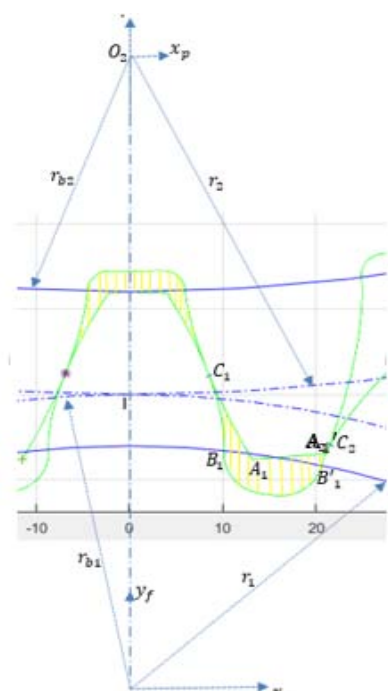


Figure 5: Leakage surface at a location where profiles are in contact

When the profiles are not in contact, the radial leakage surfaces are non-zero and, consequently the axial leakage surface has as its boundary the tooth profiles and the minimum distances between the adjacent profiles. The figure 6 below is an illustration of this situation.

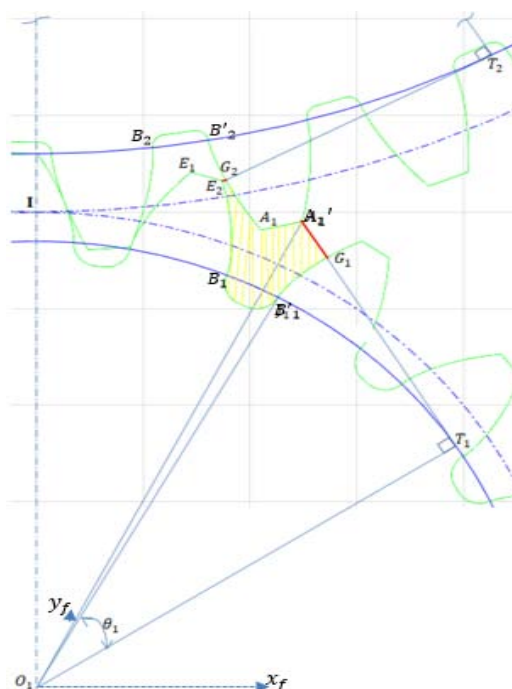


Figure 6: Radial and axial leakage Surfaces at a location where profiles are not in contact

f) Information Technology Tools

The simulation of the equations and the model obtained was carried out with the MATLAB R2016A application installed in an HP computer, AMD A6-3400 APU HD Graphics 1.40 GHz; 6 GB of RAM.

III. METHOD

a) Hypothesis

Our study was carried out under the following assumptions:

- The portion of tooth between the addendum circle and the base circle is in involute.
- The shape of the tooth portion after the base circle varies depending on the tooth number.
- Radial distances are minimum distances between adjacent profiles.
- The direction of rotation of positive angles is the trigonometric direction and, the direction of rotation of negative angles is the anti-trigonometric direction.
- In our calculations, the initial position ($\phi_i = 0$) is the position where the two adjacent profiles meet at the common point of the pitch circles. However, for the presentation and the comparative study of the results, we bring the initial position back to the position where (O_1O_2) passes simultaneously through the midpoints of the gear top land and the pinion root.

b) Calculation Algorithm

From the geometric parameters of a gear tooth, the parametric equations of the half tooth profile are established. The complete gear tooth is obtained by axial symmetry of this half tooth, followed by $N-1$ successive rotations of the primary tooth with respect to the axis of the gear and respective angles $2\pi k/N$, $1 \leq k \leq N-1$. Where N is the number of teeth.

From the initial position, the coordinates of the boundary points of the leakage surfaces are calculated as a function of the rotation angle. From the properties of the involute of a circle, we calculate the radial distances as a function of the rotation angle and by surface integration, we obtain the radial surfaces. The figure 7 below is the algorithm that succinctly presents our working methodology.

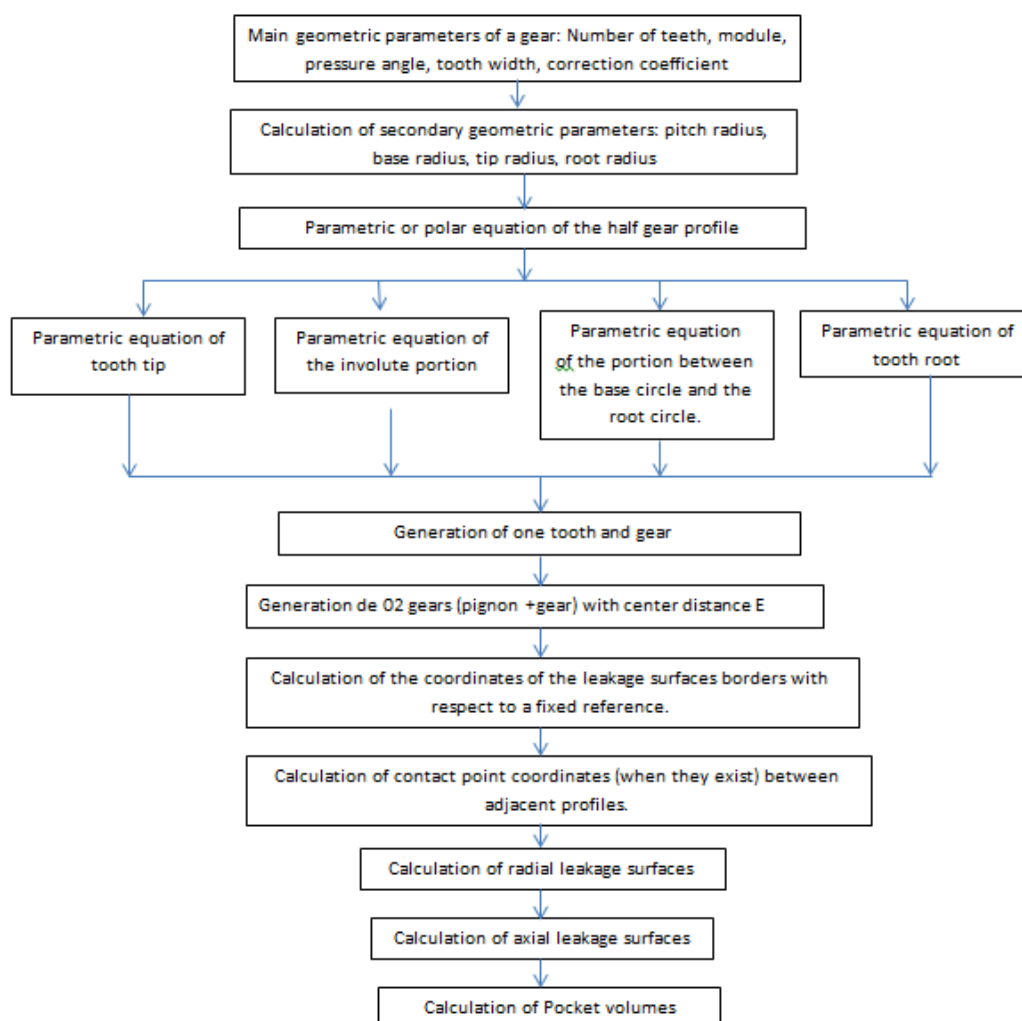


Figure 7: A calculation algorithm

c) *Half Tooth Modeling*

This modeling is carried out based on of the tooth profile shown in Figure 4.

1) *Tooth tip equation*

The tooth tip is a fraction of the tip circle (see figure 4). By applying the parametric equation of a circle with radius r_a (tip radius) centered in the point O_1 , the parametric equation of the half of the gear tooth tip is given in the coordinate system (o, x, y) by the relation (1) below:

$$\begin{cases} x(q) = r_a * \sin(q) \\ y(q) = r_a * \cos(q) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

With $q_{min} \leq q \leq q_{max}$, $q_{min} = \text{mes}(\vec{t}, \vec{OA})$ and $q_{max} = \frac{\pi}{2}$

2) *Equations of the involute portion (AB)*

By applying the properties of the involute of the circle, the parametric equations of the portion (AB) in the fixed frame (O,x,y) are given by the relation (2) below:

$$\begin{cases} x(\theta) = -r_b (\sin(\theta) - \theta \cos(\theta)) \\ y(\theta) = r_b (\cos(\theta) + r_b \theta \sin(\theta)) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

with $0 \leq \theta \leq [\frac{r_a^2}{r_b^2} - 1]^{1/2}$

3) *Equations of the portion between the base circle and the root circle*

On the figure 6,

$$0 \leq \zeta \leq \zeta_{max} \quad (3)$$

with $\zeta_{max} = \frac{\pi}{N} - \Omega_s$.

By application of the geometric construction properties (see[20]) $\zeta = \arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2))$.

In the cas of gears with pressure angle $\alpha = 20^\circ$, when $\zeta_{max} \leq \arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2))$ then we take $\zeta = k * ((\pi/N) - \Omega_s)$; $0 < k \leq 1$.

In summary, in the portion between the base circle and the root circle 03 possible profiles shapes emerge depending on the number of teeth:

- If $r_b \leq r_p$: The circular portion does not exist. Our tooth will consist only of the involute part and the tooth top.
- If $r_b > r_p$: Two possibilities emerge.
 - If $\arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2)) \leq \zeta_{max}$: In this case, this portion will consist of two (02) types of profiles, namely the arc of a circle BD followed by the root circle.
 - If $\zeta_{max} < \arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2))$: In this case, this portion is broken down into segment [BC] and arc of circle CD followed by the part of the root circle.
- i. Case where $\arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2)) \leq \zeta_{max}$

Equation of segment [BC] in (o, x, y)

As a reminder, segment [BC] only exists when $N < 25$ teeth. This segment equation requires knowledge of the coordinates of points B and C.

According to figure 5, the coordinates of point B are given by the relation (4) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_B = r_b \sin(\Omega_s) \\ y_B = r_b \cos(\Omega_s) \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

With $\Omega_s = \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \beta_1$ and $\xi = k * ((\pi/N) - \Omega_s)$; $0 < k \leq 1$

β_i is the angle between axis $(O_1 O_2)$ and (O_i, y_i) with axis (O_i, y_i) dividing the tooth of gear i in two equal parts.

$\beta_i = \frac{t_{si}}{2r_i}$ with $t_{si} = \frac{\pi m}{2} + 2 * e * \tan(\alpha)$. t_{si} : tooth thickness at the standard pitch circle,

α : pressure angle, m: module, e: profile shift, $-0.5 \leq e/m \leq 1$.

The coordinates of point D are given by relation (5) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_D = r_p * \sin(\Omega_s + \zeta) \\ y_D = r_p * \cos(\Omega_s + \zeta) \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Let K be the contact point between the tangent to \widetilde{CD} in D and the tangent to the involute in B. Then the coordinates of K are given by relation (6) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_K = (r_p * \tan(\Omega_s)) / (\cos(\Omega_s + \zeta) + (\sin(\Omega_s + \zeta)) * \tan(\Omega_s)) \\ y_K = x_K / \tan(\Omega_s) \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

Let's posed $d_1 = \sqrt{((x_D - x_K)^2 + (y_D - y_K)^2)}$ and $d_2 = \sqrt{(x_K^2 + y_K^2)}$.

The coordinates of point C are given by relation (7) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_C = (d_1 + d_2) * \sin(\Omega_s) \\ y_C = (d_1 + d_2) * \cos(\Omega_s) \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

The following relation (8) is the parametric equation of the segment [BC] in (o, x, y):

$$\begin{cases} x = d \\ y = a * d \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

With $x_C \leq d \leq x_B$ et $a = y_B/x_B = y_C/x_C$;

The following relation (9) gives us the coordinates of the center of curvature E of the arc \widetilde{CD} :

$$\begin{cases} x_E = (r_p + r_{c1}) * \sin(\Omega_s + \zeta) \\ y_E = (r_p + r_{c1}) * \cos(\Omega_s + \zeta) \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

With $r_{c1} = d_1 * \tan((\pi/4) + (\zeta/2))$. r_{c1} is the radius of curvature of the arc \widetilde{CD}

Equation of arc \widetilde{CD} in the reference (o, x, y)

The Equation of the arc \widetilde{CD} in the reference (o, x, y) is given by the relation (10) below:

$$\begin{cases} x(q) = x_E + r_{c1} * \sin(q) \\ y(q) = y_E + r_{c1} * \cos(q) \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

With $q_{min} \leq q \leq q_{max}$, $q_{min} = \text{mes}(\vec{r}, \vec{EC})$ and $q_{max} = \text{mes}(\vec{r}, \vec{ED})$

Equation of the circular portion between D and the tip circle in (o, x, y)

This portion is a fraction of the root circle. Its equation is given by relation (11) below:

$$\begin{cases} x(q) = r_p * \sin(q) \\ y(q) = r_p * \cos(q) \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

with $q_{min} \leq q \leq q_{max}$; $q_{min} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{N}$ and $q_{max} = \text{mes}(\vec{r}, \vec{OD})$

ii. Case where $\arccos(2rb*rp/(rb^2 + rp^2)) \leq \zeta_{max}$: the segment [BC] does not exist

In this case, the center of curvature is given by the relation (12) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_E = rb * \tan(\Omega_s + \zeta) / (\cos(\Omega_s) + \sin(\Omega_s) * \tan(\Omega_s + \zeta)) \\ y_E = rb / (\cos(\Omega_s) + \sin(\Omega_s) * \tan(\Omega_s + \zeta)) \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

Where $\zeta = \arccos(2rb*rp/(rb^2 + rp^2))$

The equation of the arc \widetilde{CD} in the reference (o, x, y) is given by the relation (10) below, with the curvature radius $r_{c1} = ED = EB$.

d) Gear Generating

For the generation of a complete gear wheel, the following methodology has been adopted:

- Codification on Matlab of the equations developed above (half of a tooth).
- Application of symmetry with respect to (O, \vec{j}) to get a whole tooth.
- Generating of N-1 others teeth by N-1 successive rotations of the initial tooth of respective angles $(2*\pi/N)*i$, with $1 \leq i \leq N-1$.

e) Calculation of Radial and Axial Leakage Surfaces

i. Calculation of the border points coordinates at a given position (see figures 5 and 6).

At a rotation angle ϕ_i around O_i with respect to the initial position, the coordinates of points A1, A1', E1, E1', B1, and B1' (see figures 5 and 6) in (O_f, x_f, y_f) are given by equations below:

The coordinates of the tooth tip corner of gear in (O_f, x_f, y_f) are given by relations (14) and (15) below:

$$\begin{cases} xA_1 = ra_2 * \sin(\text{inv}(\phi_{ra2}) - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \phi_2) \\ yA_1 = E - ra_2 * \cos(\text{inv}(\phi_{ra2}) - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \phi_2) \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

with $\phi_{rai} = \arccos(r_{bi}/r_{ai})$, $i=1,2$ and $\text{inv}(\alpha_0) = \tan(\alpha_0) - \alpha_0$

$$\begin{cases} xA_1' = ra_2 * \sin(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra2}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + 2 * \beta_2 + \phi_2) \\ yA_1' = E - ra_2 * \cos(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra2}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + 2 * \beta_2 + \phi_2) \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

With $\phi_{rai} = \arccos(r_{bi}/r_{ai})$, $i=1,2$

Equations (16) and (17) below are the coordinates of the pinion tooth tip corner in (O_f, x_f, y_f)

$$\begin{cases} xE_1 = ra_1 * \sin(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra1}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - 2\theta_{ra1} - \phi_1) \\ yE_1 = ra_1 * \cos(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra1}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - 2\theta_{ra1} - \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

$\theta_{rai} = \beta_i + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \text{inv}(\phi_{rai})$, $i=1,2$

$$\begin{cases} xE_1' = ra_1 * \sin(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra1}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \phi_1) \\ yE_1' = ra_1 * \sin(-\text{inv}(\phi_{ra1}) + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

$\theta_{rai} = \beta_i + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \text{inv}(\phi_{rai})$, $i=1,2$

The coordinates of B'_1 and B_2 in (O_f, x_f, y_f) are given by relations (18) and (19) below:

$$\begin{cases} xB'_1 = rb_1 * \sin(\Omega_s + \beta_1 + \phi_1) \\ yB'_1 = rb_1 * \cos(\Omega_s + \beta_1 + \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

$$\begin{cases} xB_2 = rb_2 * \sin(-\text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \pi - 2\beta_2 - \phi_2) \\ yB_2 = E + rb_2 * \cos(-\text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \pi - 2\beta_2 - \phi_2) \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

When $r_b \leq r_p$, the Coordinates of the contact points between the tooth profile and the root circle are given by the equation (19) below:

$$\begin{cases} xp_1 = rp_1 * \sin(\Omega_s - \tan(\alpha_y) + \alpha_y - \beta_1 - \phi_1) \\ yp_1 = rp_1 * \cos(\Omega_s - \tan(\alpha_y) + \alpha_y - \beta_1 - \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

With $\alpha_y = \arccos(r_{b1}/r_{p1})$;

Coordinates of contacts points (C_1 and C_2 of the pinion and gear (see figure 5).

Existence condition of C_1 and C_2

C_1 exists if and only if:

$$\tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}}\right)^2 - 1} \leq \phi_1 \leq \frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}}(\tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}}\right)^2 - 1}) \quad (20)$$

In this case, the radial surface 1 is zero: $S_{r1} = 0$

C_2 exists if and only if:

$$\left(-\frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}}\right)(-\tan(\alpha_0) - 2\beta_2 + \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}}\right)^2 - 1}) \leq \phi_1 \leq -\tan(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_1 + \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}}\right)^2 - 1} \quad (21)$$

In this case, the radial distance 2 is zero: $S_{r2} = 0$.

At the initial condition, C_1 is confused with I.

By applying the line of contact between the two conjugate surfaces, we obtain the coordinates of points C_i rotation angle ϕ_i around O_i with respect to the initial position in (O_f, x_f, y_f) :

Then the coordinates of C_1 in (O_f, x_f, y_f) are given by the relation (22) below:

$$\begin{cases} xC_1 = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C1}^2}) \sin(\text{Arctan}(\theta_{C1}) - \theta_{C1} + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \phi_1) \\ yC_1 = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C1}^2}) \cos(\text{Arctan}(\theta_{C1}) - \theta_{C1} + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

with $\theta_{C1} = \tan(\alpha_0) - \phi_1$;

The coordinates of C_2 in (O_f, x_f, y_f) are given by the relation (23) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_{C_2} = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C_2}^2}) \sin(-\text{Arctan}(\theta_{C_2}) + \theta_{C_2} - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_1 - \phi_1) \\ y_{C_2} = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C_2}^2}) \cos(-\text{Arctan}(\theta_{C_2}) + \theta_{C_2} - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_1 - \phi_1) \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

with $\theta_{C_2} = \tan(\alpha_0) - 2\beta_1 + \phi_1$;

In (O_p, x_p, y_p) , the coordinates of C_1 are given by the relation (24) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_{C_1} = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_1}{}^2}) \sin(\text{Arctan}(\theta'_{C_1}) - \theta'_{C_1} + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \pi - \phi_2) \\ y_{C_1} = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_1}{}^2}) \cos(\text{Arctan}(\theta'_{C_1}) - \theta'_{C_1} + \text{inv}(\alpha_0) - \pi - \phi_2) \end{cases} \quad (24)$$

with $\theta'_{C_1} = \tan(\alpha_0) - \phi_2$;

In (O_p, x_p, y_p) , the coordinates of C_2 are given by the relation (25) below:

$$\begin{cases} x_{C_2} = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_2}{}^2}) \sin(-\text{Arctan}(\theta'_{C_2}) + \theta'_{C_2} - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \pi - 2\beta_2 - \phi_2) \\ y_{C_2} = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_2}{}^2}) \cos(-\text{Arctan}(\theta'_{C_2}) + \theta'_{C_2} - \text{inv}(\alpha_0) + \pi - 2\beta_2 - \phi_2) \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

with $\theta'_{C_2} = \tan(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_2 + \phi_2$;

$$O_1C_2 = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C_2}^2}); O_2C_2 = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_2}{}^2}), O_1C_1 = rb_1 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta_{C_1}^2}); O_2C_1 = rb_2 * (\sqrt{1 + \theta'_{C_1}{}^2})$$

ii. Calculation of Radial Leakage Surfaces

The radial leakage surfaces vary in function of the rotation angle of gear. For the calculation of the radial leakage surfaces we will distinguish 05 possibilities:

- When C_1 and C_2 exists, i.e., when the profiles touch each other simultaneously. In this case the surfaces S_{r1} and S_{r2} are simultaneously zero.
- When we are at the left of the initial position, and only C_2 exists ($S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} = 0$),
- When we are at the left of the initial position with C_1 and C_2 does not exist ($S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$),
- When we are at the right of the initial position and only C_2 exists ($S_{r1} = 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$),
- When we are at the right of the initial position with C_1 and C_2 does not exist ($S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$),

The relations below give the expressions of the radial leakage surfaces in each of these cases cited above.

At the right of the initial position

- Case where $S_{r1} = 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$:

$$(\tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}}\right)^2 - 1}) < \phi_1 < \left(-\frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}}\right)(-\tan(\alpha_0) - 2\beta_2 + \sqrt{\left(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}}\right)^2 - 1})$$

According to figure 5,

$$S_{r2} = b * A_2 G_1 \quad (26)$$

where b is the face of the tooth width.

$$A_2 G_1 = A_2 T_1 - G_1 T_1 \quad (27)$$

with $A_2 T_1 = \sqrt{O_1 A_2^2 - rb_1^2}$, $G_1 T_1 = rb_1 \theta_1$,

$$\theta_1 = \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 T_1}) - \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 B'_1}) \text{ and } \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 T_1}) = \arccos\left(\frac{rb_1}{O_1 A_2}\right)$$

$$\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 B'_1}) = \text{mes}(\vec{t}, \overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}) - \text{mes}(\vec{t}, \overrightarrow{O_1 B'_1}) \quad (28)$$

with $\text{mes}(\vec{t}, \overrightarrow{O_1 A_2}) = \arccos(((x_{A_2} - 0)(1 - 0))/O_1 A_2)$ and $\text{mes}(\vec{t}, \overrightarrow{O_1 B'_1}) = \arccos(((x_{B'_1} - 0)(1 - 0))/O_1 B'_1)$.

- Case where $S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$: $(\phi_1 < \tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}})^2 - 1})$

According to figure 6,

$$S_{r1} = b * E_2 G_2 \quad (29)$$

$$E_2 G_2 = E_2 T_2 - G_2 T_2 \quad (30)$$

$$E_2 T_2 = \sqrt{O_2 E_2^2 - r b_2^2}, G_2 T_2 = r b_2 \theta_2, \theta_2 = \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 T_2}) - \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J_2})$$

with $\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 T_2}) = \text{Arccos}(\frac{r b_2}{O_2 E_2})$.

$$\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J_2}) = \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}) - \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J_2}) \quad (31)$$

$\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 E_2}) = \arccos(((x E_2 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_2 E_2)$ and $\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J_2}) = \arccos(((x J_2 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_2 J_2)$ S_{r1} is given by the relation (27)

At the left of the initial position

- Case where $S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} = 0$:

$$(-\tan(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_1 + \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}})^2 - 1}) > \phi_1 > \frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}}(\tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}})^2 - 1})$$

Like the previous cases,

$$S_{r1} = b * A'_2 G'_1 \quad (32)$$

$$A'_2 G'_1 = A'_2 T'_1 - G'_1 T'_1 \quad (33)$$

with $A'_2 T'_1 = \sqrt{O_1 A'^2_2 - r b_1^2}$, $G'_1 T'_1 = r b_1 \theta'_1$, $\theta'_1 = \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 T'_1}) - \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 J'_1})$ and $\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 T'_1}) = \arccos(\frac{r b_1}{O_1 A'_2})$

$$\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_1 J'_1}) = \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}) - \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_1 J'_1}) \quad (34)$$

$\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_1 A'_2}) = \arccos(((x A'_2 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_1 A'_2)$ and $\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_1 J'_1}) = \arccos(((x J'_1 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_1 J'_1)$

- Case where $S_{r1} > 0$ and $S_{r2} > 0$ ($\phi_1 > -\tan(\alpha_0) + 2\beta_1 + \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a1}}{r_{b1}})^2 - 1}$)

$$S_{r2} = b * E'_2 G'_2 \quad (35)$$

with $E'_2 G'_2 = E'_2 T'_2 - G'_2 T'_2$, $E'_2 T'_2 = \sqrt{O_2 E'^2_2 - r b_2^2}$, $G'_2 T'_2 = r b_2 \theta'_2$ and

$\theta'_2 = \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 T'_2}) - \text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J'_2})$, $\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 T'_2}) = \arccos(\frac{r b_2}{O_2 E'_2})$

$$\text{mes}(\overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J'_2}) = \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}) - \text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J'_2}) \quad (36)$$

$\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 E'_2}) = \arccos(((x E'_2 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_2 E'_2)$ and $\text{mes}(\vec{i}, \overrightarrow{O_2 J'_2}) = \text{Arccos}(((x J'_2 - 0)(1 - 0)) / O_2 J'_2)$ S_{r1} is given by relation (33)

iii. Calculation of Axial Leakage Surfaces

Case where $S_{r1} = 0$ and $S_{r2} = 0$:

$$((-\frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}})(-\tan(\alpha_0) - 2\beta_2 + \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}})^2 - 1}) \leq \phi_1 \leq \frac{r_{s2}}{r_{s1}}(\tan(\alpha_0) - \sqrt{(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}})^2 - 1}))$$

- Case where $r_p < r_b$

According to figure 5 and figure 6:

$$\text{Surface axiale} = SC_1 B_1 B'_1 C_2 A_1 A'_1 C_1 = SO_1 C_1 A_1 A'_1 C_2 O_1 - SO_1 C_1 B_1 B'_1 C_2 O_1 \quad (37)$$

$$SO_1C_1A_1A'_1C_2O_1 = \text{triangle_}O_1C_2O_2O_1 - \text{triangle_}O_1C_1O_2O_1 - SO_2C_2A_1A'_1C_1O_2 \quad (38)$$

$$\text{Avec triangle_}O_1C_2O_2O_1 = 0.5O_1C_2 * E * \sin(\theta_{c2}) \text{ et triangle_}O_1C_1O_2O_1 = 0.5 * O_1C_1 * E * \sin(\theta_{c1})$$

$$SO_2C_2A_1A'_1C_1O_2 = SO_2C_2A'_1O_2 + SO_2C_2A'_1A_1O_2 + SO_2A_1C_1O_2 \quad (39)$$

$$SO_2C_2A'_1A_1O_2 = 0.5 * r_{a2}^2 * (2 * \theta_{ra2}), SO_2A_1C_1O_2 = 0.5 * r_{b2}^2 * ((\sqrt{(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}})^2 - 1})^3 - \theta_{c2}^3) / 3$$

$$\text{and } SO_2C_2A'_1O_2 = 0.5 * r_{b2}^2 * ((\sqrt{(\frac{r_{a2}}{r_{b2}})^2 - 1})^3 - \theta_{c2}^3) / 3$$

$$SO_1C_1B_1B'_1C_2O_1 = SO_1C_1B_1O_1 + SO_1B_1B'_1O_1 + SO_1B'_1C_2O_1 \quad (40)$$

$$\text{with } SO_1C_1B_1O_1 = 0.5 * r_{b1}^2 * (\theta_{c1}^3) / 3,$$

$$SO_1B_1B'_1O_1 = (rc1 + rp1) * o1c * \sin(\zeta) - rc1^2 * (q_{\max} - q_{\min}) + rp1^2 * (q_{2\max} - q_{2\min})$$

$$O_1c = \sqrt{(x_c - 0)^2 + (y_c)^2}$$

$$q_{2\max} = (\pi/2) - (\zeta + \Omega_s) \text{ and } q_{2\min} = (\pi/2) - (\pi/N1)$$

$$q_{\min} = \text{Arccos}((1 * (x_B - x_E) + 0 * (y_B - y_E)) / EB) \text{ and } q_{\max} = q_{\min} + \text{acos}(((x_C - x_E) * (x_D - x_E) + (y_C - y_E) * (y_D - y_E)) / rc1^2)$$

$$SO_1B'_1C_2O_1 = 0.5 * r_{b1}^2 * (\theta_{c2}^3) / 3.$$

- Case where $r_p \geq r_b$

According to figures 5 and 6

$$\text{Surface axiale} = SC_1p_1p'_1C_2A_1A'_1C_1 = SO_1C_1A_1A'_1C_2O_1 - SO_1C_1p_1p'_1C_2O_1 \quad (41)$$

$$SO_1C_1p_1p'_1C_2O_1 = SO_1p_1'C_2O_1 + SO_1p_1p'_1O_1 + SO_1C_1p_1O_1 \quad (42)$$

$$\text{with } SO_1p_1'C_2O_1 = 0.5 * r_{b1}^2 * ((\theta_{c2}^3) - \theta_{rp1}^3) / 3, SO_1p_1p'_1O_1 = rp1^2 * (q_{3\max} - q_{2\min}) \text{ and } q_{3\max} = \text{Arctan}(yp1/xp1)$$

$$SO_1C_1p_1O_1 = 0.5 * rp1^2 * (\theta_{c1}^3 - \theta_{rp1}^3) / 3 \text{ with } \theta_{rp1} = \sqrt{(\frac{r_{p1}}{r_{b1}})^2 - 1}$$

IV. RESULTS

a) Simulation Results for the Modeling of a Gear

By applying the equations (1) to (13), we obtain 03 types tooth profile:

- The profile made up of the gear tip, the involute part, a line segment, a circular part, and the tooth root ($r_p < r_b$ and $\arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2)) > \zeta_{\max}$).
- The profile made up of the gear tip, the involute part, a circular portion, and the tooth root ($r_p < r_b$ and $\arccos(2r_b * r_p / (r_b^2 + r_p^2)) \leq \zeta_{\max}$).
- The profile made up of the gear tip and the involute part. Here the involute part is limited at root circle ($r_b \leq r_p$).

For the application, we have chosen 03 types of gears whose respective parameters are recorded in table 1 below.

Table 1: Parameters of 03 gears used for simulation

	Number of teeth	m(module)	α (pressure angle)	x(shift coefficient)	b(mm)
Gear 1	20	10	20°	0	100
Gear 2	40	10	20°	-0.2	100
Gear 3	76	4	20°	0	100

Figure 8 below is a detailed view of the half of the tooth profile taken from the simulation result for the specific case of gear 1 in table 1.

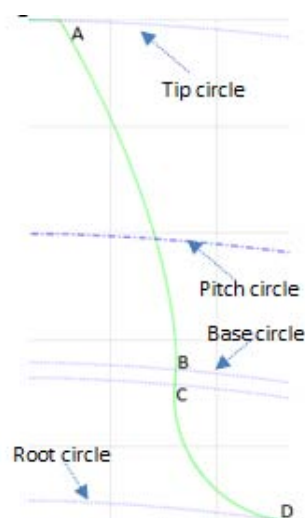


Figure 8: Detailed view of the half of tooth profile of gear 1 of table 1. Here $r = 93.9693\text{mm}$; $r = 89.5\text{mm}$

The particularity here is the presence of a straight part on our teeth, namely the segment [BC].

Figure 9 below is a detailed view of the half of the tooth profile taken from the simulation result for the specific case of gear 2 in table 1.

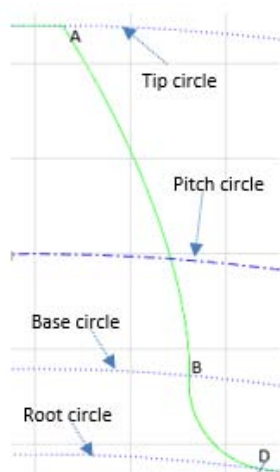


Figure 9: Detailed view of the half of the tooth of gear 2 in table 1. Here, $r = 187.9385\text{ mm}$; $r = 185.5\text{ mm}$

The profile is made up of the tooth top, the involute part, the circular part, and tooth root. Here, the straight part no longer exists.

A detailed view of the half of the tooth profile resulting from the simulation result for the particular case of gear 3 of table 1 is represented in figure 10 below.

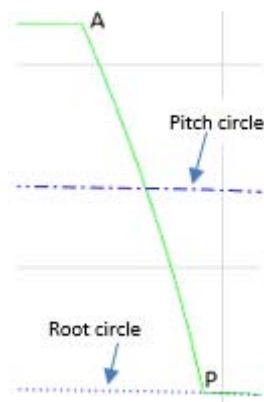


Figure 10: Detailed view of the half of the tooth in gear 3 of table 1. Here $r = 142.8333\text{ mm}$; $r = 147\text{ mm}$

In this particular case, the root radius is greater than the base radius and the tooth profile consists only of the involute part and top part.

b) *Results of Calculations of Radial and Axial Leakage Surfaces*

To validate our model, the simulation of our equations and formulas developed above (equations (13) to (42)) on Matlab 16 was carried out with the particular case of a gear whose characteristics are grouped in table 2 below.

Table 2: Parameters of the gear used for the simulation

	Number of teeth	m(module)	α (pressure angle)	x(shift coefficient)	b(mm)
pinion	76	4	20°	0	100
gear	76	4	20°	0	100

The application of our model for calculating of the radial leakage surfaces 1 and 2 relative to the gear of table 2 has generated the curves of figure 11 below. This figure gives the evolution of the radial leakage surfaces (S_{r1} and S_{r2}) as a function of the rotation angle of the drive gear on the interval $[-13^\circ, 13^\circ]$.

NB: To facilitate the comparative study with other models, during the simulation, we brought back the initial position at the position where (O_1O_2) passes simultaneously through the middles of the gear tip tooth and the pinion root. That is after rotating the driver gear of β_1 on counterclockwise direction.

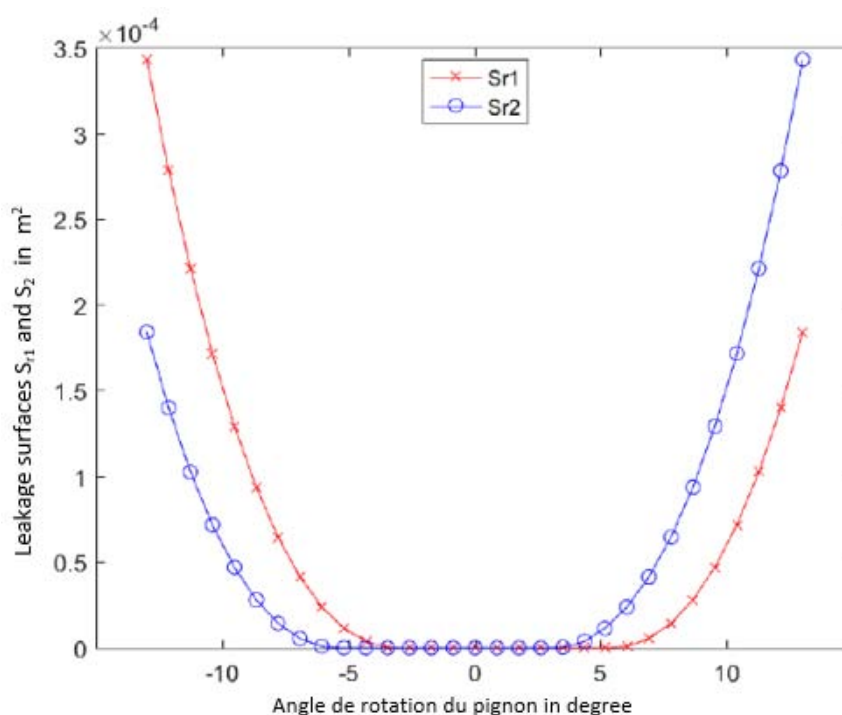


Figure 11: Evolution of the radial leakage surfaces 1 and 2 as a function of the angle of rotation of the driver gear. Case of the gearing system of table 2

The result of our model for calculating the pockets volumes corresponding to the gearing system of table 2 has generated the curve of figure 12 below. This figure gives the evolution of the pockets volumes (axial leakage surface multiplied by the tooth width) as a function of the angle of rotation of the driver gear on the interval $[-13^\circ, 13^\circ]$.

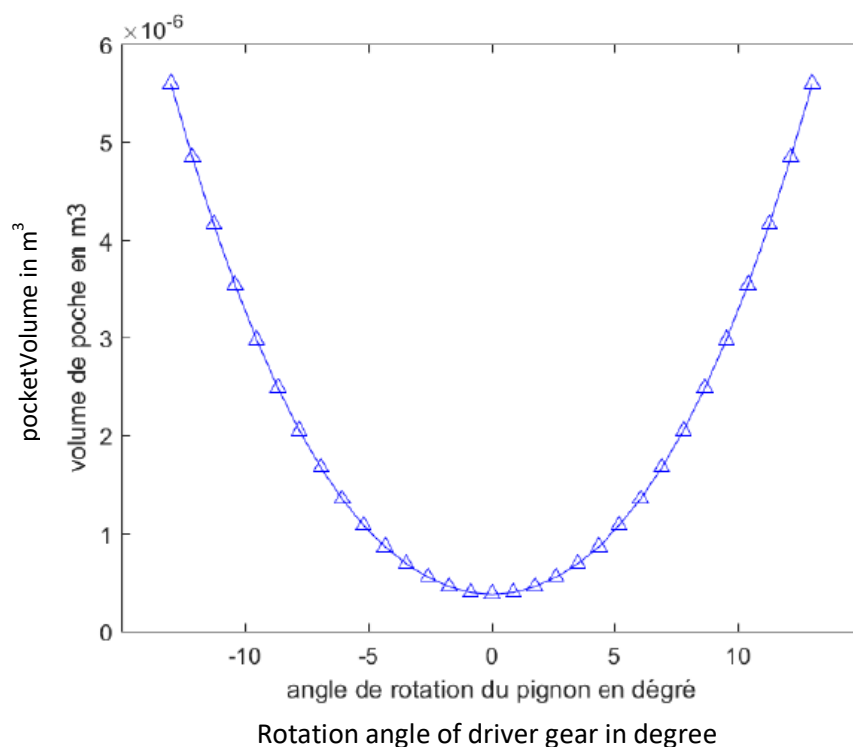


Figure 12: Radial leakage volume corresponding to the parameters in table 2

c) Results Interpretation

The curves of Figure 11 justify the similarity of the radial and axial leakage surfaces on each side of the initial position ($\phi_1 = 0$). This result agrees with the surfaces evolution of figure 2. we observe that On figures 2.a) to 2.h) the axial surface reaches its minimum at the initial position ($\phi_1 = 0$). This observation agrees with the curve of figure 12.

More we move away from the initial position ($\phi_1 = 0$), the pockets volumes increase. This result agrees with the observation of figures 2.a) to 2.h).

The curves in figure 11 show that at the left of the initial position, the radial leakage surface one is always greater than the radial leakage surface two and, at the right of the initial position, it is the opposite phenomenon. This result agrees with the observations of figure 2.

In figure 11, the two profiles bordering the radial surface 1 (S_{r1}) meet when ϕ_1 belongs in the interval $[-3,75^\circ; 6,5^\circ]$. For the radial surface 2 (S_{r1}), this phenomenon occurs in the interval $[-6,5^\circ; 3,75^\circ]$.

V. MODEL VALIDATION

The validation of our model follows from a comparative study between the results of our model and the results of Abdelilah Lasri and al [13] and Diab Y. and al [10] for the same gear system. We have superimposed the curves of our model and those of the reference models.

a) Superposition of the Radial Surfaces Curves of our Model and those Resulting from the Model of Abdelilah Lasri [13]

Figure 13 below is the result of the superposition of the radial leakage surfaces (S_{r1} and S_{r2}). In this figure, the leakage surfaces curves of our model are in blue colour and the curves of Abdelilah Lasri's model [13] are in red.

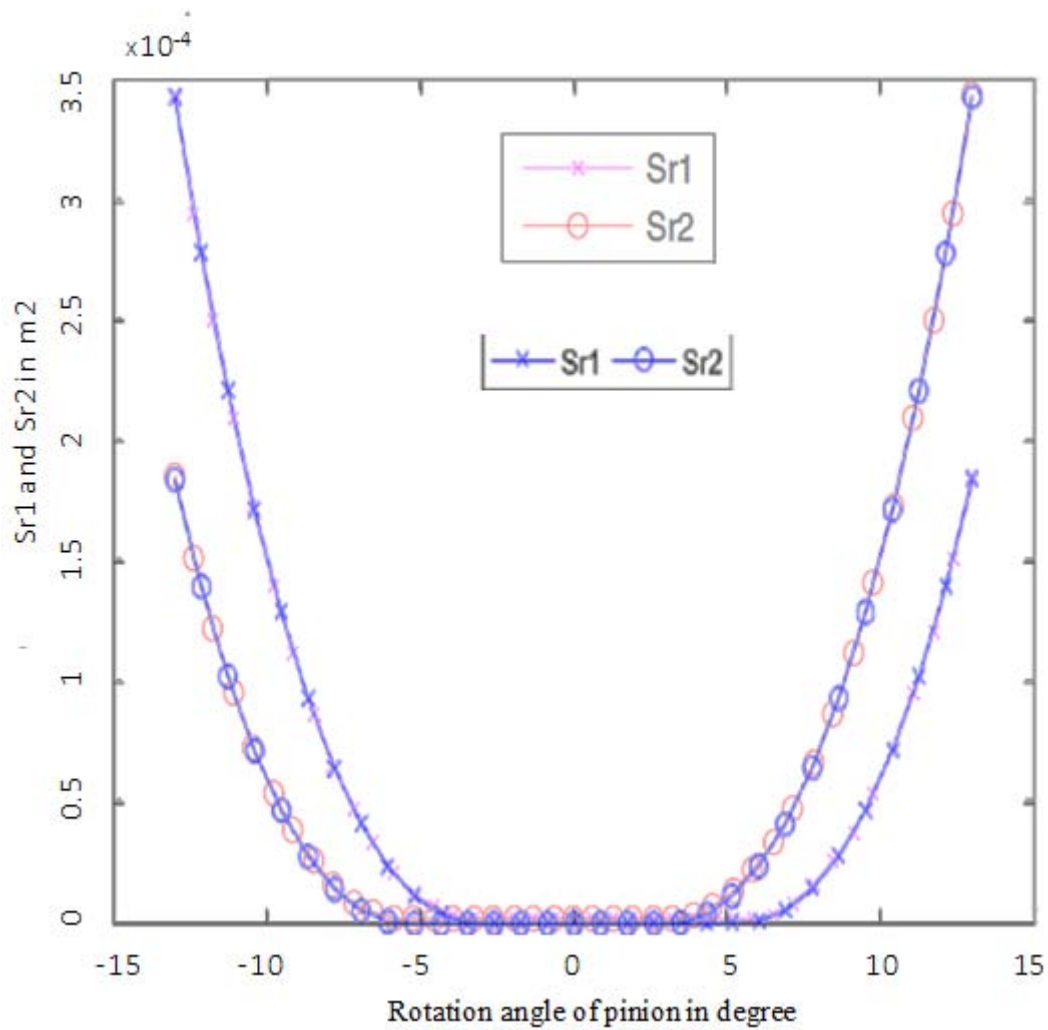


Figure 13: Superposition of radial leakage surfaces from our model (in blue) and those from Abdelilah Lasri's model [13] (in red color)

Looking at Figure 13, the radial leakage surfaces of our model and the reference model are merged. The relative deviations between the values from these two (02) models are of the order of 10^{-2} .

b) *Superposition of Pocket Volume Curves from our Model and those from the Diab's Model [10]*

Figure 14 below is the result of the superposition of pocket volumes. On this figure, the curve of pocket volumes from our model is blue and the Diab's model curve [10] is black.

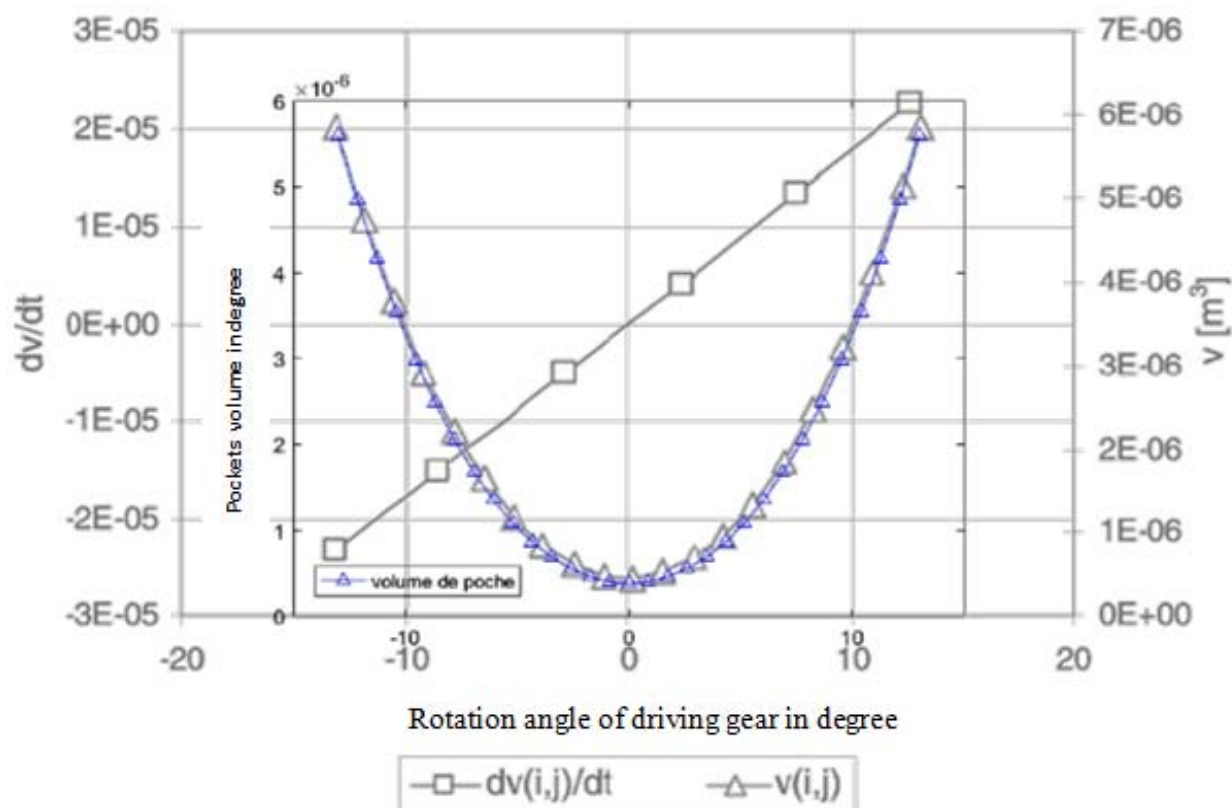


Figure 14: Superposition of pocket volumes from our model (in blue) and those from Y. Diab's[10] model (in black)

On figure 14, the two curves are almost merged. In the neighbourhood of the initial position, there is a minimal difference between the 02 curves. Outside the interval $[-10^\circ; -10^\circ]$ the two curves are identical. The relative deviations between the values from the 02 curves, is at the order of 10^{-2} .

The curves of the figures 13 and 14 and the relative deviations between the results from our model and the reference models allow us to state with certainty that the model developed in this work is valid and meets our set objectives. The model developed in this work allows us to calculate the exact values of the axial and radial leakage surfaces of the lubricant in a gear.

VI. CONCLUSION

A better optimization of the power losses by the lubricant trapping in the inter-tooth space requires a preliminary work of total lifting of the veil on the gear inter-tooth space during the movement. In this perspective, we have established a purely analytical model allowing to accurately evaluating the radial and axial leakage surfaces of the lubricant in the inter-tooth space of external spur gears.

This model was developed based on the parametric equations of a tooth profile and the exploitation of the involute properties, followed by the surface integrations delimited by the contour representing their exact boundary. The results are presented as curves of the evolution of the leakage surfaces (radial and axial) as a function of the driving gear's rotation angle. The curve of the evolution of the axial leakage surfaces as a function of the rotation angle is a symmetrical parabola, and the two curves of the evolution of the radial leakage surfaces are symmetrical (relative to each other). These results agree with the observation of the lubricant behavior in the inter-tooth space during gear movement. Far from numerical approximations, this model is an analytical formula allowing us to evaluate the exact leakage surfaces directly, according to the geometrical parameters of the gears.

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