

# The Relationship between the Variable Values of Wind Turbines

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**Abstract** There is widespread recognition that renewable fuels offer at least a partial solution to global warming. Thus, much of the research on wind generation focuses on designing and engineering wind turbines and their components, as well as sitting on and offshore wind farms for maximum output [1]. This paper examines the relationship between the variables values of wind turbines, such as blade rotational speed, wake rotational speed, wind velocity and blade tip radius, theoretically depending on the blade element momentum, or BEM, in order to identify the most suitable turbines based upon the locale being considered.

**Keywords** Air speed, blade rotational speed, wake rotational speed, wind farm, rotor wind turbine

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## 1 Introduction

Globally, wind energy is becoming a prominent source of renewable energy, and nowadays is exerting much effort to improve its generational effectiveness. This research examines the relationship between the variables values of wind turbines ( $\Omega^*, \omega, v, R$ ) operating under ideal conditions. The theoretical objective is to find the turbines' highest efficiency [2].

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## 2 Literature Review

Blade element momentum (BEM) is a method that explains how the aerodynamics forces affect the rotor wind turbine [2], [3], [4]. Reference [2] presents the axial forces

$$df_x = \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 [4a(1-a)] 2\pi r dr \quad (1)$$

The axial torque [2] presents

$$dT = \rho 2\pi r dr v_2 \omega r^2 = \rho v_1 (1-a) \omega r^2 2\pi r dr \quad (2)$$

The max power theoretically [2, 3, 4] presents

$$P = \frac{16}{27} \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^2 v_1^3 \quad (3)$$

The wake of wind turbine has been studied several ways [1], [4]. Thus, [4] gives turbulence intensity,  $I_{T,total}$  as:

$$I_{T,total} = \sqrt[m]{(1-N \cdot P_w) I_T^m + P_w \sum_{i=1}^N I_{T,w}^m \cdot S_i} \quad (4)$$

### 2.1 The Relationship between Variables Values of a Wind Turbine

The max torque  $T_{max}$  is calculated at  $\alpha = 1/3$ . The theoretical result can be written as:

$$T_{max} = \frac{\pi}{2} \rho \omega v_1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) R^4 \quad (5)$$

$$T_{max} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\pi}{2} \rho \omega v_1 R^4 \quad (6)$$

The torque can be extracted from equation (3):

$$T = \frac{P}{\Omega} = \frac{\frac{16}{27} \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^2 v_1^3}{\Omega} \quad (7)$$

From equations (6,7) we have:

$$T = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{2}{3} \rho \omega v_1 R^4 = \frac{\frac{16}{27} \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi R^2 v_1^3}{\Omega} \quad (8)$$

$$\Omega \omega = \frac{8}{9} \frac{v_1^2}{R^2} \quad (9)$$

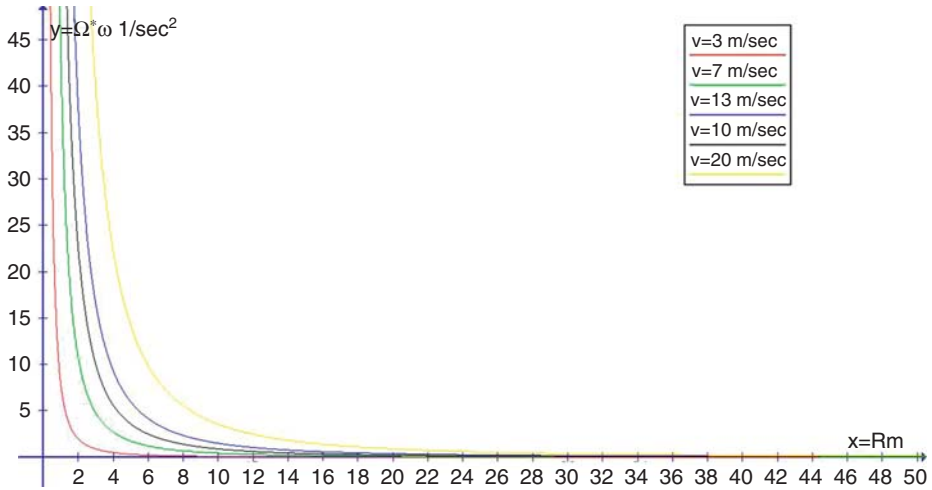


Figure 1 Relationship between  $\Omega^*\omega$  and  $v_1,R$ .

Equation (9), which shows the relationship between variables values  $\Omega^*\omega$  and  $v_1,R$ , allows us to choose the best values when designing the wind turbine and wind farm.

Figure (1) shows the relationship between  $\Omega^*\omega$  rotation rotor wind turbine \* rotation wake rotor wind turbine,  $v_1$  air speed (3m/sec start velocity, 7m/sec operation velocity for a small wind turbine, 10m/sec operation velocity for a medium wind turbine, 13m/sec operation velocity for a large wind turbine, 20 m/sec out services velocity for wind turbines) and R radius rotor wind turbine. We note that the wake decreases when the radius of a wind turbine increases. That is, the wake will be very low when the radius is up to 20 m and the rotation wake will be very high when the radius is less than 4 m. Figure (1) also shows that when wind velocity is low, 3 m/sec (red line) the weak is very low and when it is high, the weak is also high, 20 m/sec (yellow line). The rotor wind turbine can be chosen at the minimum value of wake, so the diagram of the turbine’s generator (supplied by the manufacturer) determines the rotation of the generator and the production power from it, which helps to find the rotation of wake so the values of  $\beta$  (the relative flow angle). The wind farm can be designed when the value of the wake is known [4].

### 3 Conclusion

This research has explained how the rotors of wind turbines can be chosen theoretically based on the variables values  $\Omega^*\omega, v_1,R$ , in order to design the most suitable turbines for a particular operational site.

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## Nomenclature

$\alpha$	Axial induction factor
A	Area
c	Aerofoil chord length
$C_p$	Power coefficient
D	Rotor diameter
E	Kinetic energy
F	Force
$I_{T,total}$	Maximum turbulence intensity at hub height in the centre of the wake
m	Wohler curve exponent corresponding to the material of the considered structural component
N	Number of closest neighboring wind turbines
p	Pressure
P	Power
$p_w$	Probability of wake condition
r	Radiuses and radial direction
R	Blade tip radius
T	Torque
V	Velocity
$x_i$	Distance to the i'th wind turbine
$\beta$	Relative flow angle onto blades
$\lambda$	Tip speed ratio
$\rho$	Density
$\Omega$	Blade rotational speed
$\omega$	Wake rotational speed
$\gamma$	Aerofoil inlet angle

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