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# Open and Ducted Propeller Virtual Mass and Damping Coefficients by URANS-Method in Straight and Oblique Flow

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## ABSTRACT

The virtual mass and damping coefficients of an open and ducted propeller are determined using URANS computations. Time-accurate simulations are carried out for an open propeller forced to harmonic motion in two separate directions, translational  $x_1$ - and rotational  $x_4$ -directions. The analysis produces the diagonal coefficients of the virtual mass  $m_{11}$ ,  $m_{44}$  together with the diagonal damping terms  $c_{11}$ ,  $c_{44}$ . The cross-terms  $m_{14}$ ,  $m_{41}$  and  $c_{14}$ ,  $c_{41}$  are also evaluated. A range of advance numbers is considered in the simulations. Several excitation frequencies and amplitudes are applied in order to determine the impact of viscosity on the vibrational coefficients. Oblique flow cases are also considered and the related virtual mass and damping coefficients are analyzed. The computed cases are compared to potential flow simulations and to published semi-empirical results. The average magnitudes of the coefficients correspond quite reasonably to those computed by the CFD method. However, the viscous effects are found to have a certain impact on some coefficients.

## Keywords

URANS, added mass, propeller, CFD, damping coefficients, vibration

## 1 INTRODUCTION

The evaluation of the vibrational properties of a marine propeller is important for a successful design. It is well known that the presence of water around a propeller vibrating as a part of a shafting system changes the dynamic characteristics of the propeller. Generally, the hydrodynamic forces acting on a propeller include terms proportional to the acceleration (mass/inertia forces), to the velocity (damping force) and to the displacement (hydrostatic force).

Concerning the first term of the vibrational analysis, the so-called effective or virtual mass/inertia of a propeller in water consists of not only the actual mass of the submerged propeller but also the mass of fluid accelerated with the propeller which is termed added mass/inertia. The second term needs special consideration depending on whether the propeller is locked or rotating. In the former case due to

flow separation caused by off-design inflow excitations a velocity-dependent drag term should be included in the problem and in the latter case according to potential flow theory, circulatory forces proportional to the square of the velocity will be present affecting significantly the vibrational analysis of some particular motions. The third term, the hydrostatic force, is time-independent for fully submerged propellers and consequently does not contribute to vibrations except for partially submerged propellers. A description of the added mass, inertia and damping matrices in the classical vibrational analysis can be found for example in Carlton (2007).

Usually, the vibrating characteristics of a propeller have been calculated within potential-flow theory either in the form of two-dimensional thin foil theory, lifting line theory, lifting surface theory or panel methods (see, for example, Parsons and Vorus, 1981; Vassilopoulos and Triantafyllou, 1981; Parsons et al. 1983; Takeuchi et al. 1983; Matusiak, 1986; Ghassemi, 2011; Gaschler and Abdel-Maksoud, 2014) or with semi-empirical formulae (Schwanecke, 1963; MacPherson et al., 2007).

The use of potential flow theory for non-lifting fully-submerged bodies leads to added mass terms constant in time and with no damping. The introduction of the Kutta condition is responsible for the presence of velocity-dependent terms. Recently, Hutchison et al. (2013) investigated the effect of a duct on a non-rotating propeller by comparing the propeller and duct individually with the bodies combined in a multi-body simulation. The numerical analysis was based on panel methods and conducted with the commercial DNV software HydroD, using its WADAM program.

In the context of RANS methods, the introduction of viscosity in the simulation results in time-dependent added mass and damping coefficients especially for separated and cavitating flows (Uhlman et al. 2001; Lie et al. 2010). Recently, a method for calculating the translational added mass of axisymmetric bodies using a RANS solver has been presented by Mishra et al. (2011). The method removes the effect of the computed drag forces in the calculation of added mass coefficient. However, in our opinion if we stick to the definition of added mass in the second paragraph of

this section, the presence of viscosity would modify the mass of fluid accelerated with the body and consequently methods like that will be valid to estimate a *potential-flow added mass* using a viscous solver, but not a *viscous added mass*.

Much attention has been paid in the literature to the computation of the added mass coefficients for circular cylinders in various regimes of viscous flow and oscillating wings. However, to our knowledge there is a gap concerning the computations of such coefficients by RANS methods for rotating propellers. The present paper shows computations of added mass and damping coefficients for coupled torsional-axial motion and illustrates their variation as a function of the excitation frequency and advance number of the propeller.

Recently, some results of viscous added mass and damping coefficients for an open propeller were anticipated in Martio et al. (2015). The results are analyzed in detail in this paper and compared with semi-empirical formulae by Parsons (1981) and Schwanecke (1963) using the exact propeller geometry. Comparisons are made also with potential flow computations by Hutchison et al. (2013). The virtual mass and damping of a propeller are evaluated in viscous flow using URANS solver FINFLO (Sánchez-Caja et al., 1999; Miettinen and Siikonen, 2015). The coefficients are determined for a range of advance numbers  $J = [0.2, \dots, 1.2]$ . The exciting frequency is varied between 0.25 and 1.6 times the blade passing frequency. Two configurations are analyzed in the computations: a propeller working in straight and oblique open flow and the same propeller working inside the 19A duct of MARIN (Wageningen). The computations are made at model scale.

## 2 NUMERICAL METHOD

### 2.1 Governing equations

The Navier-Stokes momentum equation for incompressible flow can be written for a control volume  $\Omega$  delimited by a boundary  $\partial\Omega$  as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\Omega(t)} \vec{v} dV + \rho \int_{\partial\Omega(t)} (\vec{v}(\vec{n} \cdot \vec{v} - \vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}_b)) dS \\ = - \int_{\partial\Omega(t)} \vec{n} p dS + \mu \int_{\partial\Omega(t)} \vec{n} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} dS \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $\rho$  is the density,  $\vec{v}$  is the flow velocity vector,  $\vec{v}_b$  is the velocity vector on the boundaries,  $p$  is the pressure in the flow field,  $\vec{n}$  is the vector normal to the boundary,  $dS$  the surface element and  $\mu$  is the viscosity. The boundary  $\partial\Omega(t)$  consists of a moving boundary attached to the surfaces of an oscillating body and an external and stationary boundary which may extend to infinity.

From Eq. (1) the virtual mass and damping coefficients can be derived as follows. If a propeller is moving in unidirectional motion and is simultaneously in harmonic motion, the instantaneous state vector is  $[x_i, V_A + \dot{x}_i, \ddot{x}_i]$ . The harmonic velocity term  $\dot{x}_i$  and the harmonic acceleration  $\ddot{x}_i$  are defined as

$$\dot{x}_i = \dot{x}_{ia} \sin(\omega t); \quad \ddot{x}_i = \dot{x}_{ia} \omega \cos(\omega t) \quad (2)$$

where  $\dot{x}_{ia}$  is the velocity amplitude of the harmonic motion to a given direction  $x_i$ ,  $i=1 \dots 6$ .

If the control volume  $\Omega$  is large enough so that it includes the particles at the location when the propeller started rotating, the convection term at the left side of Eq. (1) vanishes in a global sense. Using the propeller's instantaneous velocity  $V_A + \dot{x}_i$  Eq. (1) can be made non-dimensional as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \dot{x}_i D^3 \int_{\Omega} \vec{v}_0 dV_0 + \rho n (V_A + \dot{x}_i) D^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial t_0} \int_{\Omega} \vec{v}_0 dV_0 \\ = -D^2 \int_{\partial\Omega(t)} \vec{n} p dS_0 + \mu D^2 \int_{\partial\Omega(t)} \vec{n} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} dS_0 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where  $\vec{v}_0$  is the non-dimensionalized fluid velocity and  $t_0$  a time made non-dimensional with the inverse of the propeller rotational speed  $n$ . A non-dimensional volume is defined as  $V_0 = \frac{V}{D^3}$  while the non-dimensional area can be expressed as  $S_0 = \frac{S}{D^2}$ . Notice that since the term used for non-dimensionalization is time-dependent but not space-dependent, it can be transferred outside the integral.

Furthermore, the fluid velocity vector can be separated into three components by applying the Helmholtz decomposition:

$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_{\infty} + \vec{v}_{\phi} + \vec{v}_{\psi} \quad (4)$$

where  $\vec{v}_{\infty}$  is the uniform inflow velocity at infinity upstream,  $\vec{v}_{\phi}$  is the velocity component of the perturbation potential and  $\vec{v}_{\psi}$  is the velocity component due to viscous effects. The last term will be responsible for the viscous component of the added mass and the damping term.

The velocity  $\vec{v}_{\infty}$  consists of the speed of advance  $V_A$  into the given direction  $x_i$ , where  $i=1 \dots 3$  and of the harmonic velocity  $\dot{x}_i$ . Eq. (4) states that the viscous term  $\vec{v}_{\psi}$  contributes both to virtual mass and damping terms, whereas the potential flow term  $\vec{v}_{\phi}$  has impact to the virtual mass component only.

The force components of Eq. (3) can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} T_{mi} \ddot{x}_i + T_{ci} \dot{x}_i + T_{oi} = T(t) \\ Q_{mi} \ddot{x}_i + Q_{ci} \dot{x}_i + Q_{oi} = Q(t) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$T_{mi}$  is the acceleration-related added mass term,  $T_{ci}$  is the damping term associated to the harmonic velocity

component and  $T_{0i}$  is the force component generated by the propeller average thrust related to the steady velocity  $V_A$ . All terms correspond to motions in the  $i$ -direction.  $Q_{mi}$ ,  $Q_{ci}$  and  $Q_{0i}$  are the corresponding terms for the torque.

Eq. (3) can be approximated by the following linear semi-empirical fitting for translational oscillations in direction  $x_l$ ,

$$\rho D^3 m_{11} \ddot{x}_1 + \rho n D^3 c_{11} \dot{x}_1 + \rho n^2 D^4 K_{T1} = T(t) \quad (6)$$

The corresponding formulation for the rotational oscillations in direction  $x_r$  is

$$\rho D^4 m_{44} \ddot{x}_4 + \rho n D^4 c_{44} \dot{x}_4 + \rho n^2 D^5 K_{Q4} = Q(t) \quad (7)$$

The thrust and torque coefficients, the diagonal elements of the virtual mass matrix and the diagonal damping terms are defined as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} K_{T1} &= \frac{T_{04}}{\rho n^2 D^4}; & K_{Q4} &= \frac{Q_{04}}{\rho n^2 D^5} \\ m_{11} &= \frac{T_{m1}}{\rho D^3}; & c_{11} &= \frac{T_{c1}}{\rho n D^3} \\ m_{44} &= \frac{Q_{m4}}{\rho D^4}; & c_{44} &= \frac{Q_{c4}}{\rho n D^4} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

The cross-terms related to rotational motion are evaluated as follows,

$$\rho D^4 m_{14} \ddot{x}_4 + \rho n D^4 c_{14} \dot{x}_4 + \rho n^2 D^4 K_{T4} = T(t) \quad (9)$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} m_{41} &= \frac{Q_{m1}}{\rho D^4}; & c_{41} &= \frac{Q_{c1}}{\rho n D^4} \\ m_{14} &= \frac{T_{m4}}{\rho D^4}; & c_{14} &= \frac{T_{c4}}{\rho n D^4} \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

The coefficients are expressed by a set of selected dimensionless parameters describing the flow conditions. For example, in the direction  $x_l$  the dimensionless parameters obtained from Eq. (3) are as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \frac{V_A}{nD}; & Re_p &= \frac{\rho \dot{x}_{1a} D}{\mu} \\ KC_p &= \frac{f_e}{n} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where  $n$  is the propeller rotational speed (rps). The advance number  $J$  is related to the average loading on the propeller, whereas the frequency parameter  $KC_p$  and the Reynolds number  $Re_p$  are associated to the harmonic flow components. In this paper, the evaluated force coefficients are parametrized by  $J$  and  $KC_p$ .

## 2.2 URANS solver FINFLO

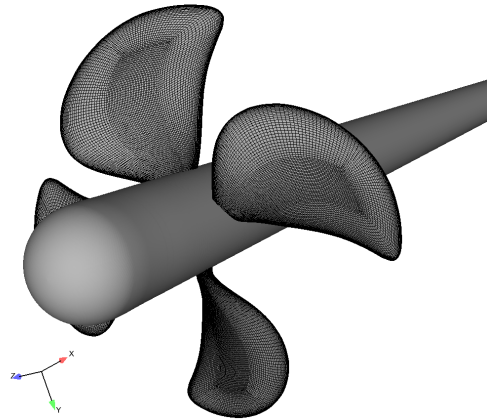
The flow solution in FINFLO is based on the RANS equations solved by a pressure correction approach. The

spatial discretization is carried out by a finite volume method. Second- and third-order upwind-biased (MUSCL) schemes are used for the discretization of the convection terms and a second-order central-difference scheme is utilized for the diffusion. The pressure gradient is centrally differenced and a Rhie-Chow type dissipation is applied to prevent a checkerboard pressure field (Miettinen and Siikonen, 2015).

A multigrid method is applied for the acceleration of convergence. Solutions on coarse grid levels are used as a starting point for the calculation in order to accelerate convergence. A detailed description of the numerical method including discretization of the governing equations, solution algorithm, boundary conditions, etc. are described by Sánchez-Caja et al. (1999) and by Miettinen and Siikonen (2015). Several turbulence models are implemented in FINFLO. In these calculations Chien's low Reynolds number k- turbulence model is used. Time-accurate calculations are started by using a quasi-steady solution as the initial guess. In the time-accurate calculations part of the grid is rotating at the propeller rotational speed and part of the grid is stationary. The sliding mesh technique is used to treat the interface between the rotating and the stationary part of the grid. The variables are interpolated on the sliding boundary using the solution in the neighboring blocks. FINFLO computational approach includes also the possibility to use the overlapping (Chimera) grid technique.

**Table I.** Geometrical data of the P1374 model propeller.

Propeller diameter	250.0 mm
Number of blades Z	4
Pitch/Diameter at r/R=0.7	1.1
Hub diameter	60.0 mm
Expanded area ratio	0.602
Expanded skew angle	23 deg



**Figure 1a:** RANS grid on the blades of propeller P1374.

### 3 STUDY CASES

#### 3.1 The P1374 propeller

The P1374 propeller and related experimental data used in this research were provided by MARINTEK (Koushan, 2006). The main parameters of the propeller are shown in Table I. A perspective view of the propeller geometry with the grid on the blades is presented in Figure 1a, and the propeller-duct configuration is shown in Figure 1b. As it can be seen from the figures, the grid is very dense on the blades. It consists of 27 blocks with a total of 5.3 million cells for a blade passage.

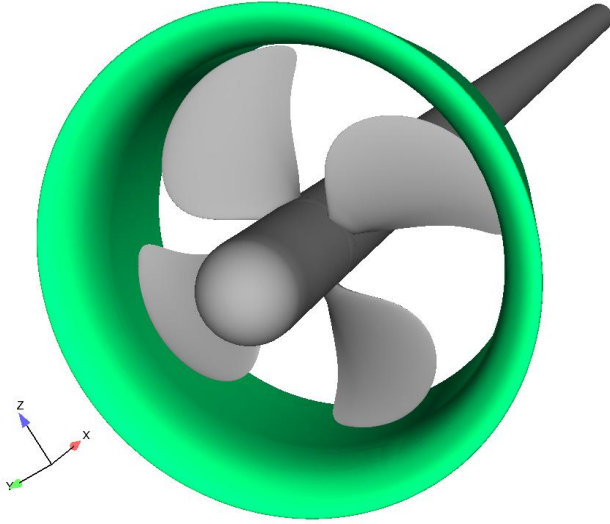


Figure 1b: View of propeller P1374 inside nozzle 19A.

#### 3.2 Boundary conditions for harmonic oscillations

The computational grid covers a single-blade passage so that cyclic boundary conditions can be applied on the appropriate boundaries. On the blade surface, a non-slip boundary condition was used on the rotating blades (ROT), whereas on the nozzle surface a stationary non-slip boundary condition was utilized. In the external boundaries inlet and outlet boundary conditions on velocity and pressure, respectively were applied. The ROT-condition was modified to enforce oscillating motions in the  $x_1$  and  $x_4$  directions. The additional harmonic component on the grid and solid surfaces (ALE method) was:

$$\vec{v}_b = \vec{v}_{Ab} \sin(\omega t) \quad (12)$$

which resulted in an instantaneous acceleration

$$\vec{a}_b = \vec{v}_{Ab} \omega \cos(\omega t) \quad (13)$$

with  $\vec{v}_{Ab}$  equal to  $-x_{1a}\omega$  for the  $\dot{x}_1$  term and  $-x_{4a}\omega$  for the  $\dot{x}_4$  term.

The parameters used in rotational oscillations are presented in Table II. They have been chosen to be meaningful from the standpoint of test measurements, even though some extreme cases have been also included. The case with

excitation frequency  $f_e=9.0$  Hz and amplitude  $x_{4a}=5.0$  deg was evaluated for three advance numbers  $J=0.40, 0.60$  and  $0.80$ . The blade passing frequency was  $f=36.0$  Hz in all cases corresponding the propeller rotational speed  $n=9.0$  Hz. The physical time step applied in computations corresponds the rotational angle of one degree. The parameters used in the translational oscillations are shown in Table III.

Table II. Parameters for the rotational oscillations.

Case	Excitation frequency $f_e$ [1/s]	Angle amplitude $x_{4a}$ [deg]	Velocity amplitude $\dot{x}_{4a}$ [deg/s]	Advance number
1.1	9.0	5.0	282.7	0.40
1.2	9.0	5.0	282.7	0.60
1.3	9.0	1.0	56.5	0.80
1.4	22.5	1.0	141.4	0.80
1.5	40.5	1.0	254.5	0.80
1.6	9.0	5.0	282.7	0.80
1.7	22.5	5.0	706.9	0.80

Table III. Parameters for the translational oscillations.

Case	Excitation frequency $f_e$ [1/s]	Displacement amplitude $x_{1a}$ [m]	Velocity amplitude $\dot{x}_{1a}$ [m/s]	Advance number $J$
2.1	22.5	0.00043	0.0601	0.2
2.2	49.5	0.00009	0.0283	0.2
2.3	31.5	0.00032	0.0641	0.2
2.4	31.5	0.00046	0.0913	0.2
2.5	57.9	0.00016	0.0568	0.2
2.6	40.5	0.00037	0.0938	0.2
2.7	40.5	0.00041	0.1037	0.2
2.8	22.5	0.00032	0.0451	0.8
2.9	22.5	0.00043	0.0601	0.8
2.10	49.5	0.00009	0.0283	0.8
2.11	31.5	0.00046	0.0913	0.8
2.12	57.9	0.00016	0.0568	0.8
2.13	40.5	0.00037	0.0938	0.8
2.14	40.5	0.00041	0.1037	0.8
2.15	40.5	0.00049	0.1241	0.8
2.16	49.5	0.00009	0.0283	1.2
2.17	31.5	0.00046	0.0913	1.2

2.18	49.5	0.00026	0.0816	1.2
2.19	40.5	0.00049	0.1241	1.2

The computations of the ducted propeller were carried out for two rotational and for two translational harmonic motions. The oscillation parameters were  $x_{da}=1.0$  deg and  $5.0$  deg using  $f_e=22.5$  Hz and  $x_{la}=6.37$  m/s with  $f_e=22.5$  Hz and  $23.9$  m/s using  $f_e=40.5$  Hz applied to the rotational motion  $x_d$  and the translational motion  $x_l$ , respectively.

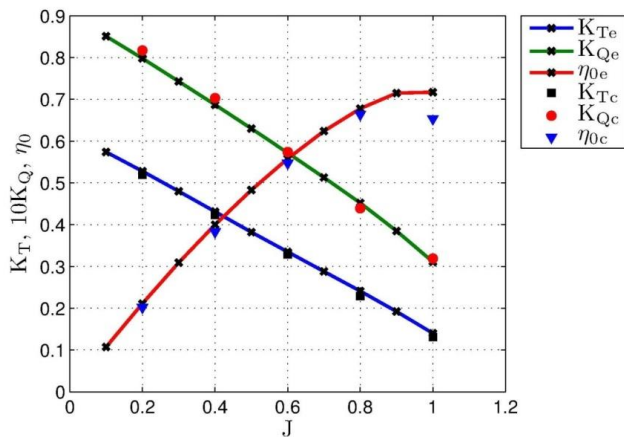
## 4 RESULTS

### 4.1 Open water characteristics

Figure 2 and Table IV show the open water performance coefficients (thrust coefficient, torque coefficient and efficiency) evaluated by FINFLO compared to the experimental values. The agreement is satisfactory except for large advance number, which is expected due to the larger uncertainty related to small thrust coefficients.

**Table IV.** Open water characteristics of P1374-propeller, open propeller case

J	Computed $K_T$	Exp $K_T$	$K_T$ diff. to exp. %	Computed $K_Q$	Exp $K_Q$	$K_Q$ diff. to exp. %
0.2	0.519	0.528	1.7 %	0.817	0.798	-2.4 %
0.4	0.423	0.431	1.9 %	0.703	0.687	-2.3 %
0.6	0.329	0.335	1.8 %	0.574	0.572	-0.3 %
0.8	0.229	0.241	5.0 %	0.439	0.452	2.9 %
1.0	0.131	0.140	6.4 %	0.319	0.311	-2.6 %



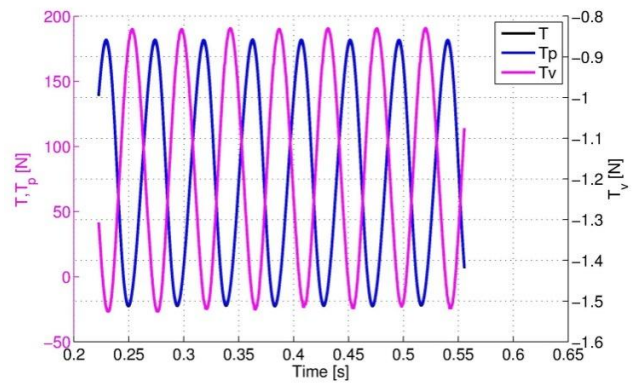
**Figure 2.** Propeller P1374 open water performance. The experimental values (sub-index  $e$ ) are shown together with the computed (sub-index  $c$ ) ones.

### 4.2 Open Propeller: Added inertia and damping

#### Rotational motion

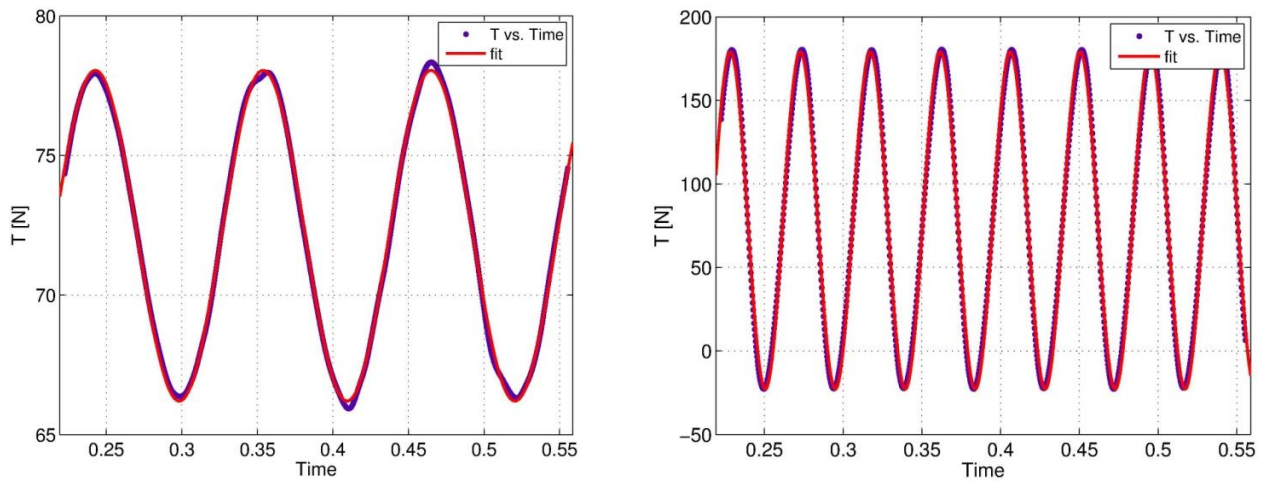
In Figure 3, the total thrust  $T$ , the fluctuating pressure force component  $T_p$  and the harmonic viscous force term  $T_v$  are presented for case 1.7. The phase angle between the viscous force term and the other force components is approximately  $\pi$ . The magnitude of viscous component is small compared to the pressure term.

Computations of vibrational coefficients for cases 1.3 and 1.7 are presented in Figure 4. The forces of case 1.3 include minor non-linear elements, whereas those of case 1.7 present almost purely linear oscillations. Case 1.7 can be considered as an extreme situation, as the thrust and the torque both change sign during the simulations.

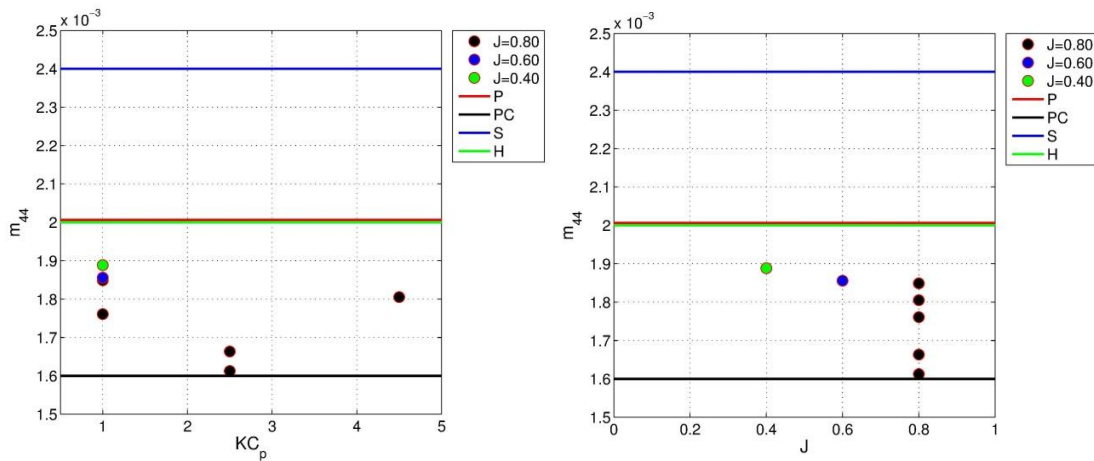


**Figure 3.** Computed force as a function of time for case 1.7. Total thrust force  $T$ , pressure component  $T_p$  and the viscous component  $T_v$ .

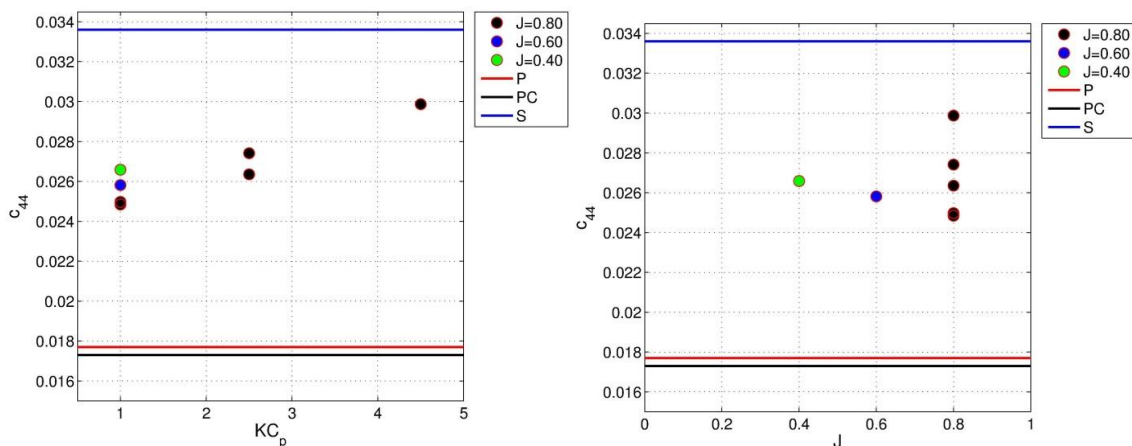




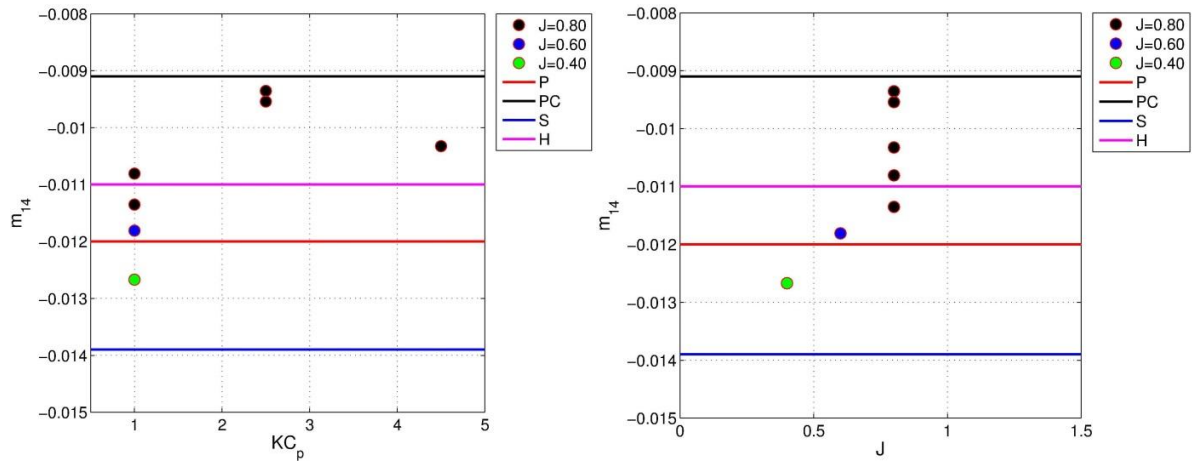
**Figure 4.** Computed forces as a function of time [s] for case 1.3 (left) and 1.7 (right). The red line represents the fitted function and the blue dots are the computed forces.



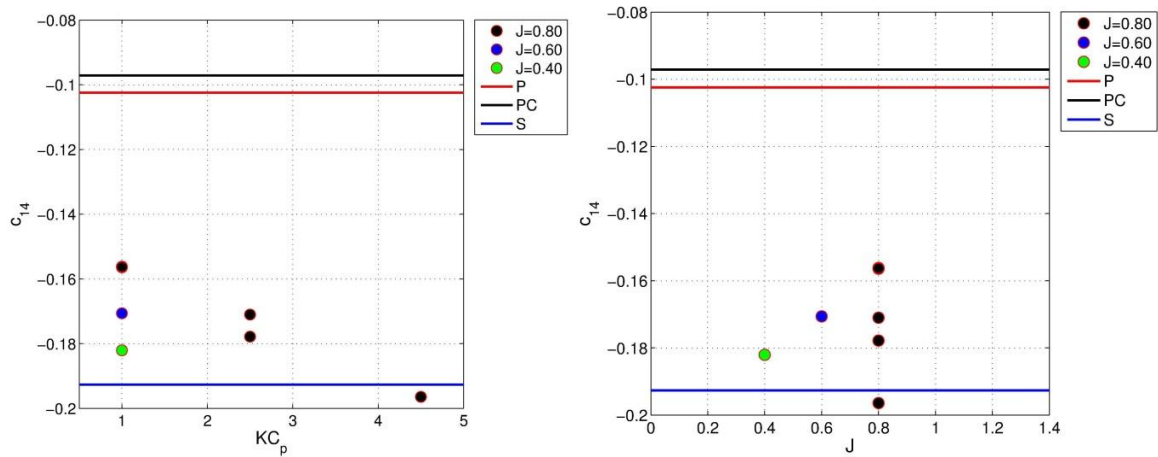
**Figure 5a:** Added mass coefficient  $m_{44}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by Parsons (1981), ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



**Figure 5b:** Damping coefficient  $c_{44}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by Parsons (1981), ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981) and ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963).

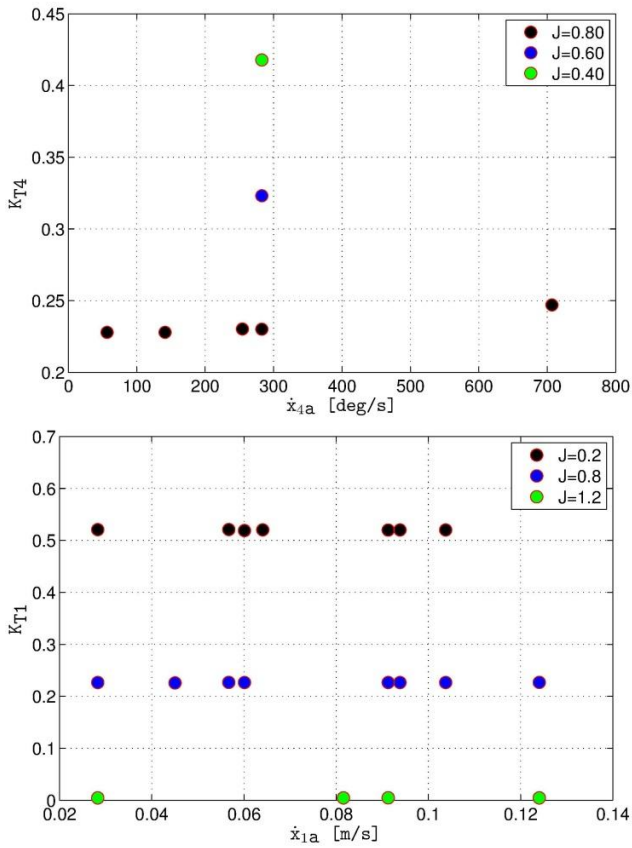


**Figure 6a:** Added mass coefficient  $m_{14}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by Parsons (1981), ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



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**Figure 7.** Thrust coefficients  $K_{Ti}$  as a function of amplitude  $\dot{x}_{1a}$ . The advance numbers are presented in different colors.

The force coefficients  $m_{44}$  and  $c_{44}$  together with the cross-terms  $m_{14}$  and  $c_{14}$  are presented in Figures 5 and 6 as a function of  $KC_p$  and advance number  $J$ . The damping coefficients  $c_{14}$  and  $c_{44}$  can be parametrized in terms of  $KC_p$  without large dispersion. The added inertia coefficients produce somewhat more scattering. In the  $J$ -domain the coefficients are subject to large dispersion. In the figures, different advance numbers for the same frequency are located in the same vertical line and viceversa (different frequencies for the same advance number).

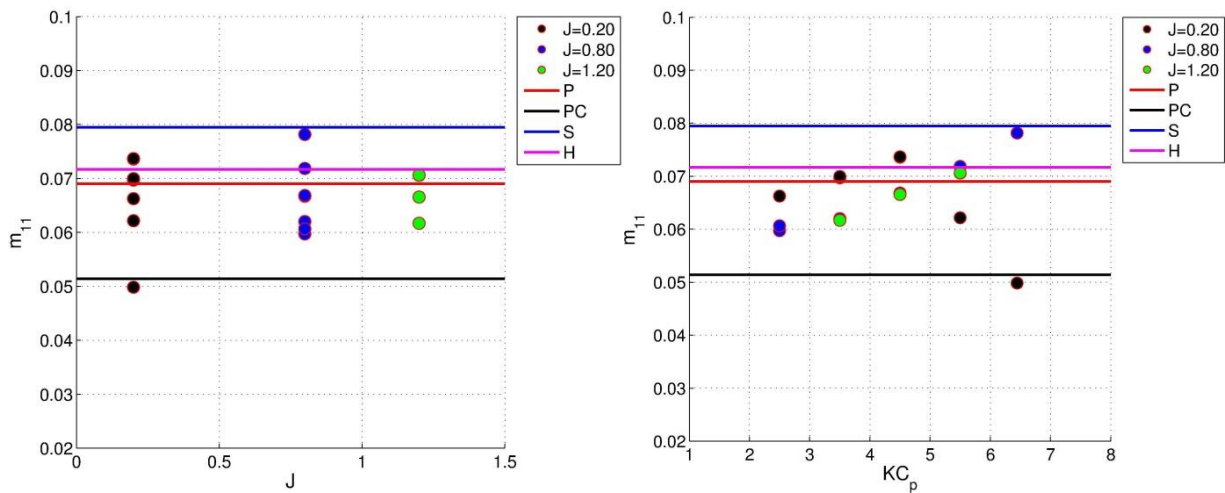
In the figures, the results computed using the URANS-method are compared to estimates obtained with the semi-empirical methods by Schwanecke (1963) and Parsons

(1981), and with a potential flow method (Hutchison, 2013). Generally, quite substantial variations can be observed between the specific methods. Schwanecke's method yields a  $m_{44}$  coefficient larger than other methods as shown in Figure 5a. The panel method results by Hutchison and the semi-empirical technique by Parsons generate similar  $m_{44}$  coefficients. The URANS coefficients are between Parsons' method estimates with and without lifting surface corrections. The lifting surface corrections have an effect similar to that described in Parsons' paper: they reduce the magnitude of coefficients. A similar comparison was carried out in Martio et al., (2015): the coefficients computed with the URANS method were compared to those obtained by Schwanecke's method. In the present paper, Schwanecke's semi-empirical coefficients were recalculated using the revised propeller geometry.

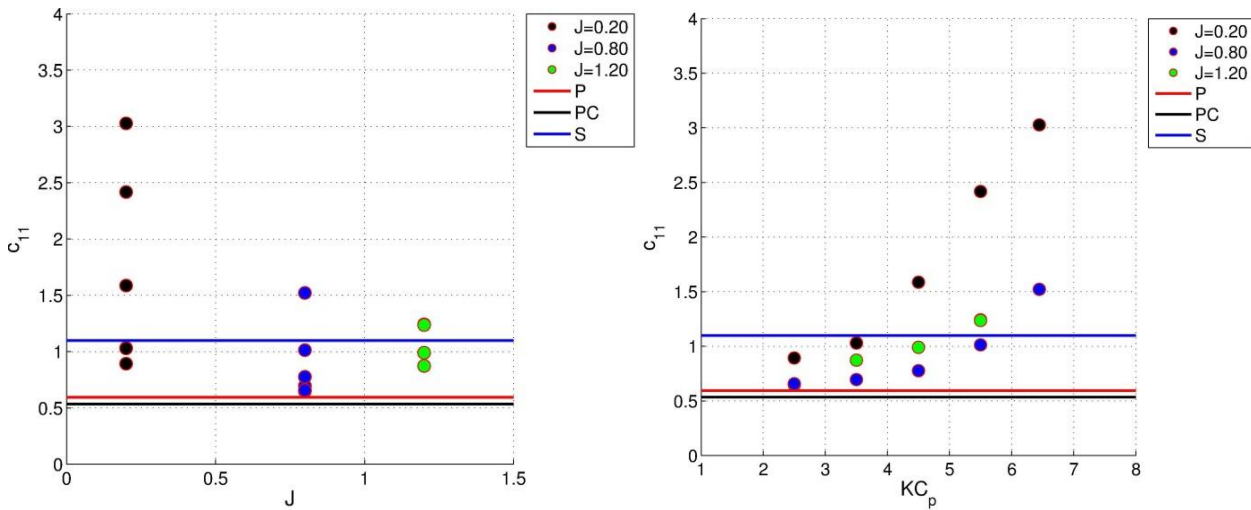
The magnitudes of  $c_{44}$  damping coefficients shown in Figure 5b diverge also rather substantially. The URANS coefficients are between the coefficients determined by semi-empirical methods (i.e. Parsons and Schwanecke).

A similar behavior can be seen for the  $m_{14}$  and  $c_{14}$  coefficients in Figure 6a and 6b. The panel method (Hutchison) produces quite similar estimates compared to the method by Parsons without lifting surface corrections, and the computed coefficients are again between the semi-empirical methods.

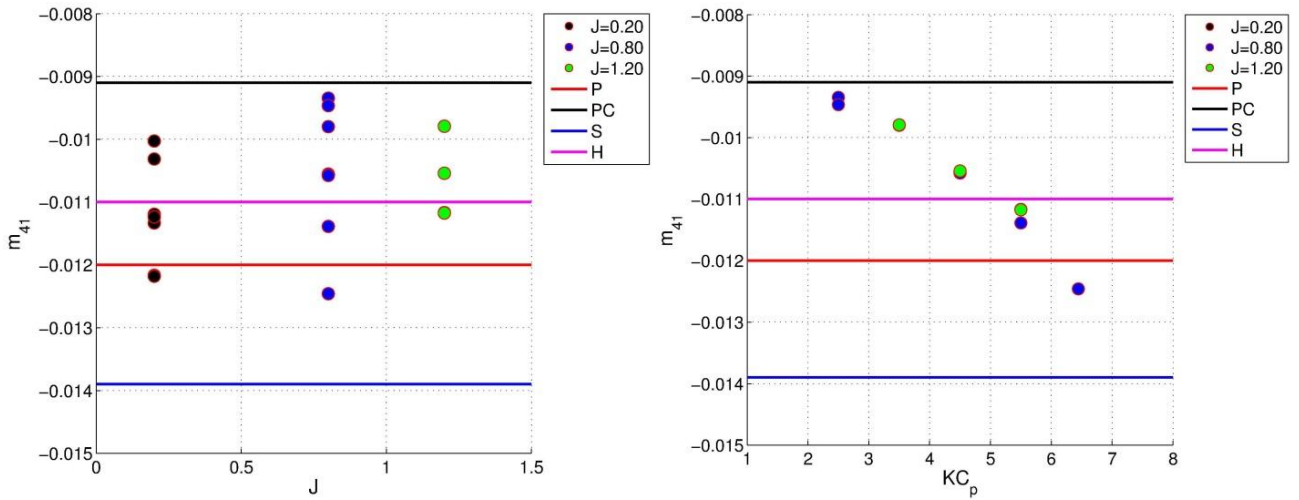
The  $K_{T1}$  and  $K_{T4}$  coefficients are shown as a function of the excitation amplitude in Figure 7. The oscillations produce only minor impacts on the average  $K_{T1}$  coefficient, of the order of 1% or less for cases 2.1-2.15. As the advance number is increased, the oscillations seem to reduce the  $K_{T1}$  as compared to the non-oscillating cases. Regarding the coefficient  $K_{T4}$ , the most extreme case 1.7 induces ~10 % larger average thrust than cases 1.3-1.6.



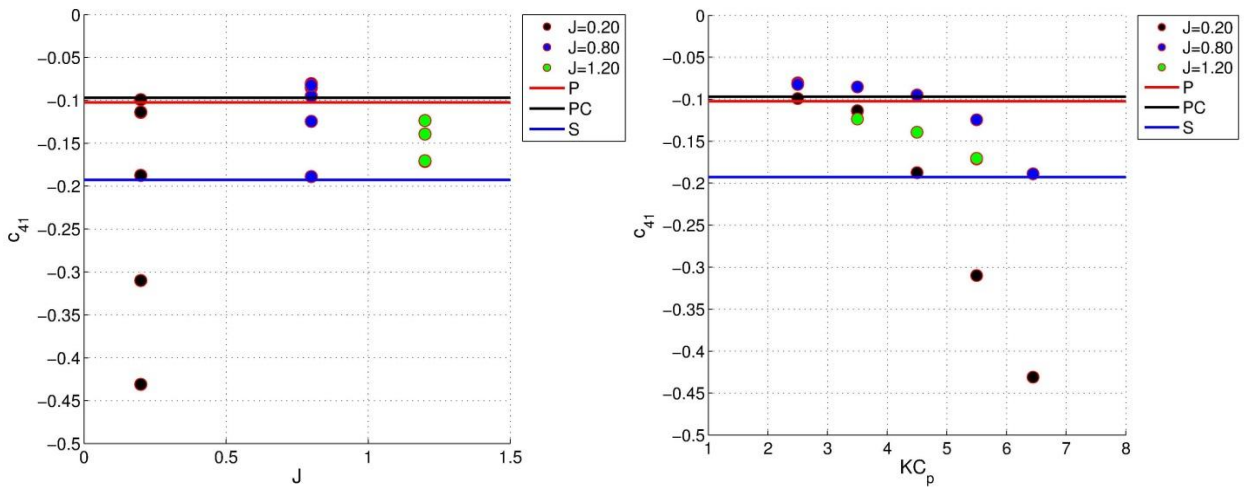
**Figure 8a.** Added mass  $m_{11}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by Parsons (1981), ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



**Figure 8b.** Damping coefficient  $c_{11}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by Parsons (1981), ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



**Figure 9a.** Added mass coefficients  $m_{41}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by [Parsons ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



**Figure 9b.** Damping coefficient  $c_{41}$  as a function of  $KC_p$  and of the advance number  $J$ . ‘P’ corresponds the method by [Parsons ‘PC’ includes the lift surface correction by Parsons (1981), ‘S’ denotes the semi-empirical method by Schwanecke (1963) and ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).

**Table V.** The added inertia and damping force components in rotational harmonic motion  $x_d$ . The bold-italic font style denotes the ducted cases

$x_{4a}$ [deg]	$f_e/n$	$J$	$m_{44}$	$c_{44}$	$m_{14}$	$c_{14}$	$K_{T4}$
1.0	2.5	0.8	0.00161	0.0264	-0.00935	-0.171	0.228
5.0	2.5	0.8	0.00166	0.0274	-0.00954	-0.178	0.247
<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.00161</b>	<b>0.0350</b>	<b>-0.00914</b>	<b>-0.218</b>	<b>0.184</b>
<b>5.0</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.00165</b>	<b>0.0376</b>	<b>-0.00944</b>	<b>-0.233</b>	<b>0.199</b>

**Table VI.** The virtual mass and damping force components in translational harmonic motion  $x_l$ . The bold-italic font style denotes the ducted cases.

$\dot{x}_{1a}$ [m/s]	J	$f_e/n$	m11	c11	m14	c14	$K_{T1}$
6.37	0.8	2.5	0.0597	0.649	-0.00925	-0.0818	0.226
23.88	0.8	4.5	0.0668	0.776	-0.01063	-0.0958	0.227
<b>6.37</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0.0692</b>	<b>1.112</b>	<b>-0.01065</b>	<b>-0.1534</b>	<b>0.184</b>
<b>23.88</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>0.0821</b>	<b>1.546</b>	<b>-0.01281</b>	<b>-0.2083</b>	<b>0.184</b>

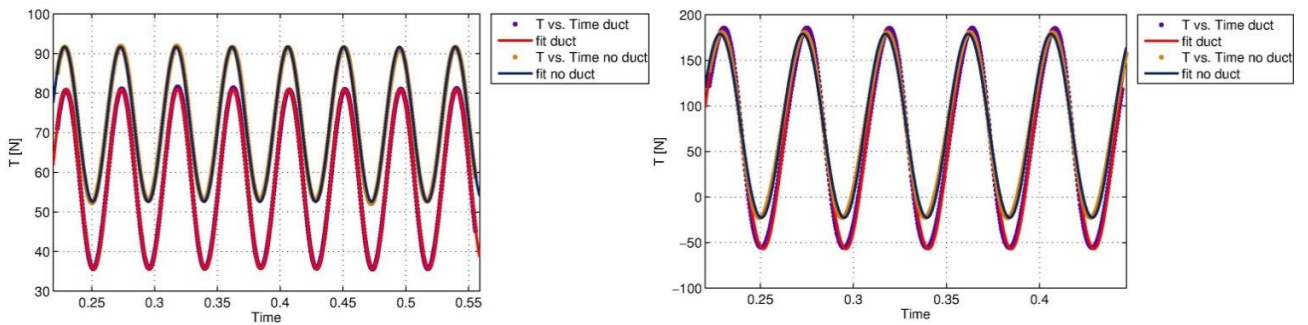


Figure 10. The evaluated forces as a function of time (s) for cases  $f_e=22.5$  Hz,  $x_{4a}=1.0$  deg (left) and  $f_e=22.5$  Hz,  $x_{4a}=5.0$  deg (right) at  $J=0.8$  both for the ducted and the open propeller cases.

### Translational motion

The time histories of the total thrust force  $T$  and of the viscous and pressure components are similar to the rotational motion case. They include some non-linearities in the viscous term, being again the magnitude of viscous component rather small compared to the pressure component. They are not presented here.

The harmonic coefficients  $m_{11}$ ,  $c_{11}$ ,  $m_{41}$  and  $c_{41}$  are shown in Figures 8-9 as a function of  $KC_p$  and  $J$ . The trends compared to the semi-empirical methods and potential flow computations are similar to those shown for the motion  $x_l$  in Figures 5-6. The computed coefficients are generally between those determined by the methods by Parsons (1981) and Schwanecke (1963), although the computed damping coefficient  $c_{11}$  and  $c_{41}$  are larger in magnitude than semi-empirical coefficients especially at low advance numbers and for high frequency. At these conditions the viscous effects are more dominant.

Also the potential flow method (Hutchison, 2013) produces similar magnitudes of added mass coefficients as the URANS method, although it should be kept in mind that the potential flow evaluation was conducted with the locked propeller. According to MacPherson (2007) the relationship between the added mass coefficients for a rotating and a locked propeller can be expressed as follows:

$$C_{WER} = \frac{C_{WEL}}{2.09 - 1.51\left(\frac{P}{D}\right) + 0.62\left(\frac{P}{D}\right)^2} \quad (14)$$

where  $C_{WER}$  is the added mass for the rotating propeller and  $C_{WEL}$  is the added mass for the locked case. Applying Eq. (14) to the P1374 propeller, the magnitude of the added mass coefficient for the locked case should be 17 % larger than for the rotating case. If this is taken into account, the magnitude of added mass coefficient  $m_{11}$  by Hutchison should be reduced about that percentage from the level shown in Figure 8a.

### 4.3 Ducted propeller: added inertia and damping

The P1374 propeller inside nozzle 19a of MARIN has been analyzed under both rotational and translational harmonic oscillations. The characteristics of the ducted propeller were evaluated only for the advance number  $J=0.8$ . A rotational harmonic motion was applied only to the propeller, i.e. the nozzle was not subject to any oscillations. For the translational oscillations, surface velocities were enforced on the propeller surface and the RANS simulations were conducted in a time-accurate manner.

The magnitude of harmonic coefficients is presented in Table V for the rotational motion  $x_l$  and in Table VI for the translational motion  $x_l$ . The thrust coefficients of the ducted

cases are clearly smaller than the open propeller cases due to the axial acceleration of the flow induced by the duct. Figure 10 shows the time histories of the computed forces both for the ducted and open propeller cases.

In Figures 11-12 the computed coefficients of the ducted cases are presented for comparison with the open propeller cases. The added mass coefficients computed by the potential flow method (Hutchison, 2013) are also shown for both the open propeller and ducted configurations. Generally, the duct seems to have only minor impact onto the virtual mass terms for the  $m_{44}$  and  $m_{14}$  coefficients. On the other hand, the nozzle seems to contribute more to the damping terms, i.e. the ducted cases produce larger  $c_{11}$ ,  $c_{44}$  terms whereas the magnitude of cross-terms  $c_{41}$ ,  $c_{14}$  is lower.

The potential flow method (Hutchison) predicts trends for the added mass coefficients  $m_{11}$ ,  $m_{44}$  and  $m_{41}$  similar to the URANS-technique. In other words, the absolute magnitudes of coefficients  $m_{11}$  and  $m_{41}$  increase due to the presence of nozzle. The magnitudes of coefficients  $m_{44}$  and  $m_{14}$  related to rotational motion  $x_4$  change only slightly between the open propeller and ducted propeller cases. The duct has an evident impact on the inflow velocity to the propeller, which seems to influence more noticeably the coefficients related to the translational motion  $x_1$ . The potential flow method (Hutchison, 2013) seems to estimate larger changes for the coefficient  $m_{14}$  than the URANS method. However, in this respect, it should be recalled that the potential flow method produces a symmetric added mass matrix, that is,  $m_{14} = m_{41}$  and that the potential flow analysis was made on a locked propeller contrary to the RANS simulation which was made on a rotating one.

In principle it seems surprising that there is (according to Table VI) almost no effect of the duct on the added mass of the propeller in rotational motion. On the contrary, the increase of the damping terms is more according to expectations. However, the added mass effect is not so surprising if we consider the potential flow part of the problem. Suppose a flat plate oscillating in the vertical direction (OY). The main parameter affecting the added mass is the length of the projection of the flat plate on the OX axis (i.e. the chord). Suppose that now the flat plate oscillates in the horizontal OX direction. The main parameter affecting the added mass is the length of the projection of the flat plate on the OY axis (i.e. zero). For a *rotating* propeller the effective inflow at the propeller tip is almost in the chordwise direction (close to the circumferential direction). The  $m_{44}$  related oscillations are in the circumferential direction and they do not change so much the effective angle of attack, which means that the effect is similar to OX oscillations of a flat plate at small angle of attack. For a non-rotating propeller especially at mid span the oscillating flow is not chordwise oriented and therefore a larger effect in  $m_{44}$  is expected. Additionally the

$m_{44}$  includes also a viscous part whose contribution is difficult to guess.

#### 4.4 Oblique cases

The oblique flow cases were computed for 5, 10 and 20 degree flow angle. The vibrational coefficients are shown in Table VII including zero angle case 2.8.

The time histories of the thrust force are presented in Figure 13. The zero angle case produces the lowest average thrust, since the propeller is more loaded with the lower axial inflow of the oblique flow cases. The coefficients in Table VII indicate that the magnitudes of virtual masses  $m_{11}$  and  $m_{41}$  decrease whereas the damping is increased once an oblique flow angle is specified. However, there is no much influence between the 5, 10 and 15 deg cases.

## 5 CONCLUSIONS

Added mass and damping coefficients were computed by a URANS approach for the P1374 propeller in model scale. Harmonic motions were enforced at two degrees of freedom, i.e. in translational  $x_1$ - and rotational  $x_4$ -directions. The propeller was also analyzed both in oblique flow and in the presence of a duct.

The viscous flow simulation produces coefficients that are dependent from the excitation parameters, contrary to usual potential flow simulations where the coefficients are constant. The coefficients obtained from the URANS-simulation were compared to those obtained from the semi-empirical methods by Schwanecke (1963) and Parsons (1981) and to those obtained in Hutchison (2013) by a potential flow panel method. The dependency of the URANS coefficients with the excitation parameters was expressed in terms of appropriate non-dimensional numbers reflecting time-dependence like the  $KC_p$  parameter. The average magnitudes of the coefficients were reasonable as compared against the semi-empirical results, although the semi-empirical coefficients varied quite substantially depending on the specific method.

The magnitudes of the added mass coefficients were not much affected by the presence of the duct at the rotational motions, whereas the magnitudes of translational coefficients were increased. The comparison of URANS added mass coefficients to published potential-flow-based coefficients (Hutchison, 2013) revealed similar trends when passing from the open propeller to the ducted propeller configuration. The nozzle contributed also to the damping terms in such a way that the translational damping terms were increased together with the rotational damping coefficients.

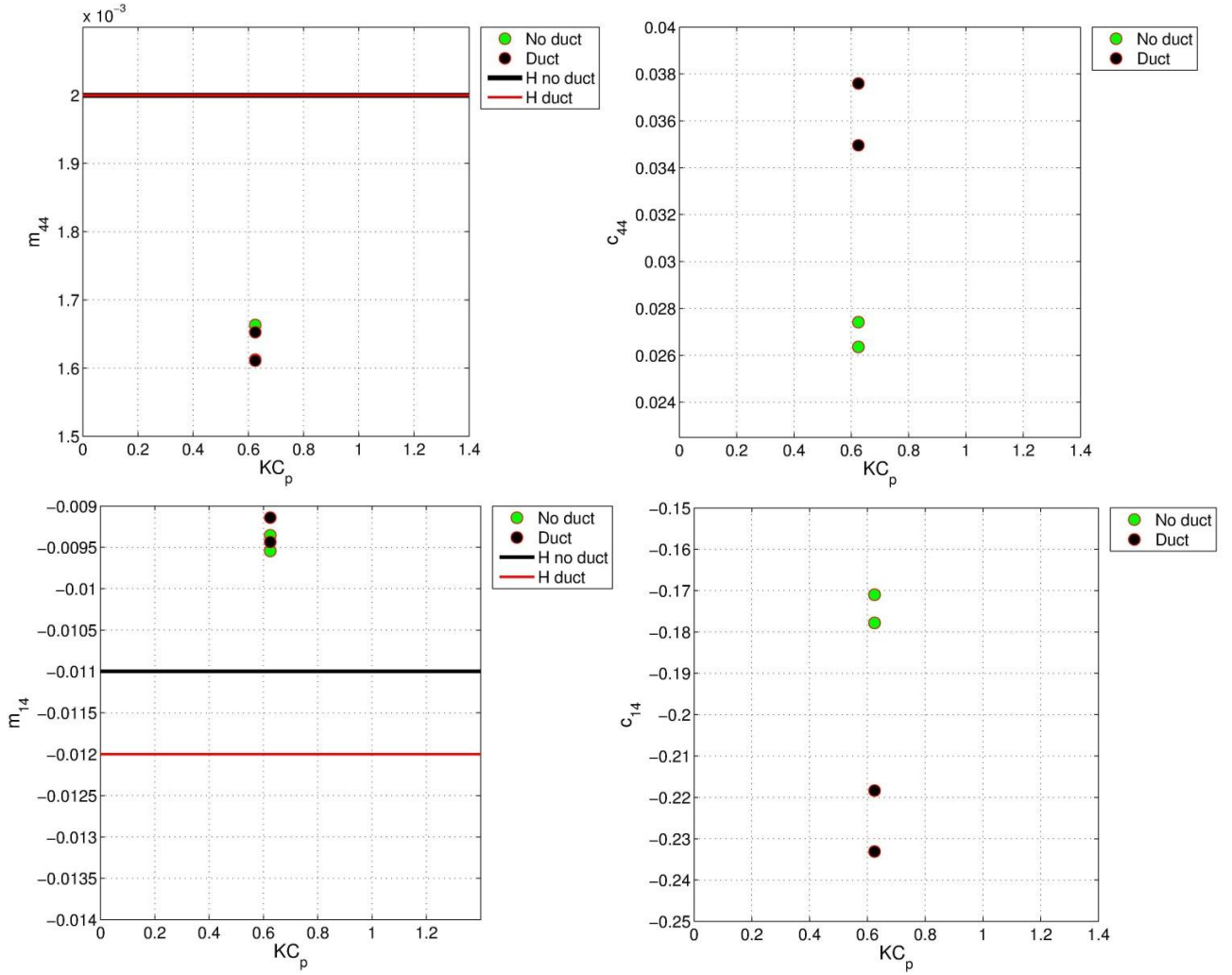
In the oblique inflow computations, the presence of an incidence angle increased the magnitudes of translational damping coefficients relative to the straight flow cases. However, the magnitudes of translational virtual mass coefficients were reduced. Once the flow is non-

axisymmetric, the magnitude of the angle of incidence seems not to affect too much the coefficients.

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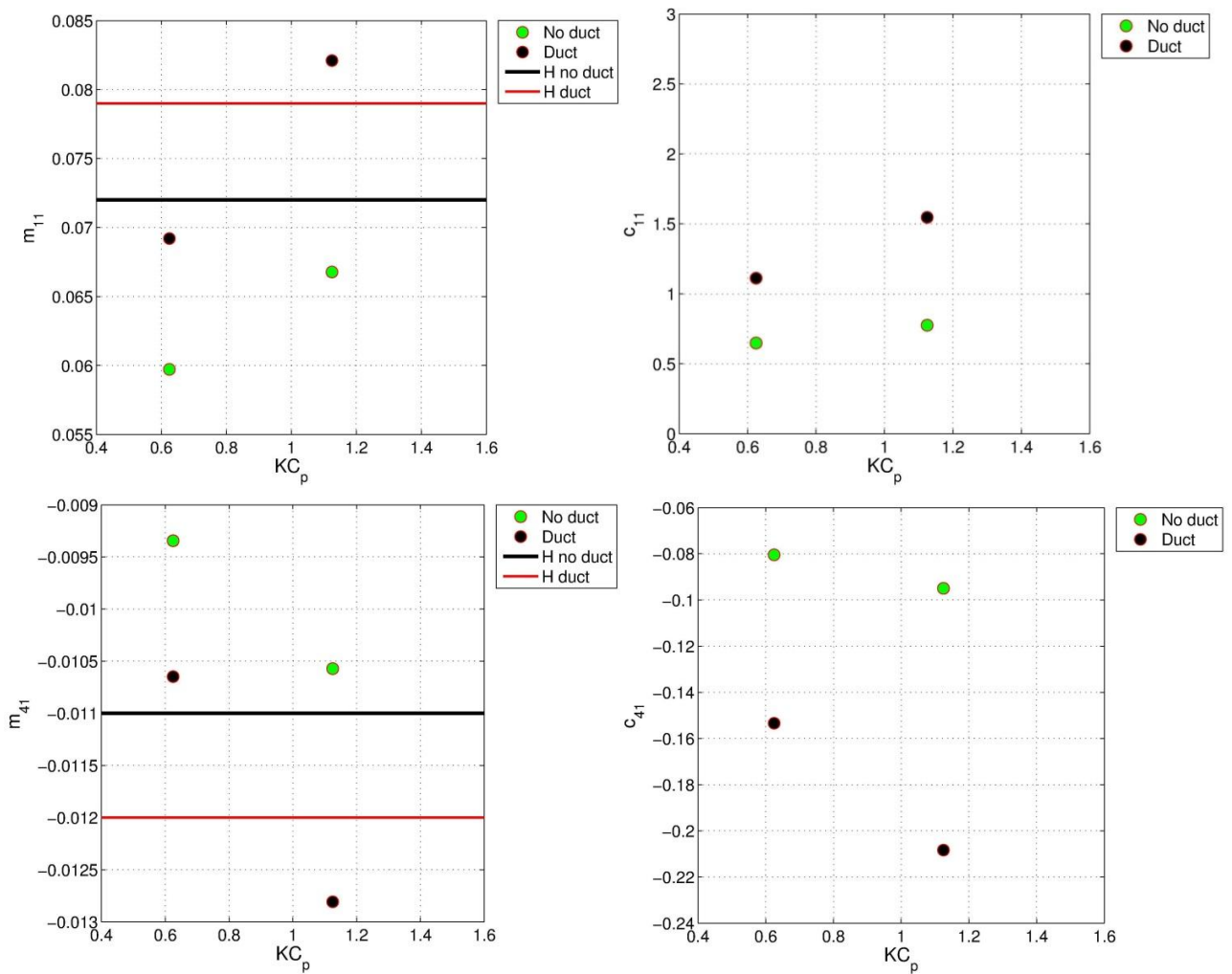


**Figure 11.** Computed force coefficients for cases  $f_e=22.5$  Hz,  $x_{4a}=1.0$  deg and  $f_e=22.5$  Hz,  $x_{4a}=5.0$  deg at  $J=0.8$  for both the ducted and open propeller cases. ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).

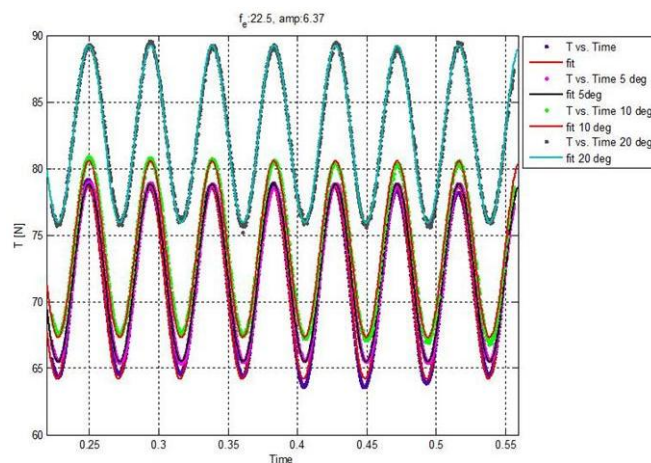
**Table VII.** Force coefficients of the oblique flow cases.

Flow angle [deg]	$K_{T1}$	$m_{11}$	$C_{11}$	$m_{41}$	$C_{41}$
0	0.226	0.0597	0.649	-0.00934	-0.0805
5	0.228	0.0504	0.695	-0.00738	-0.0924
10	0.234	0.0499	0.690	-0.00732	-0.0922
20	0.261	0.0502	0.695	-0.00735	-0.0902





**Figure 12.** Computed forces as a function of time [s] for cases  $f_e=22.5$  Hz,  $\dot{x}_{1a}=6.37$  m/s (top) and  $f_e=40.5$  Hz,  $\dot{x}_{1a}=23.9$  m/s (bottom) at  $J=0.8$  for both the ducted and open propeller cases. ‘H’ stands for the potential flow computations by Hutchison (2013).



**Figure 13.** Computed thrust forces as a function of time [s] for the oblique cases.

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