The background of the slide features several 3D CAD models of turbine blades, rendered in a light gray color. The blades are arranged in a row, showing different stages of a turbine. The text is overlaid on these models.

# DETERMINATION OF THE EFFICIENCY OF A COOLED TURBINE STAGE TESTED IN A COMPRESSION TUBE FACILITY

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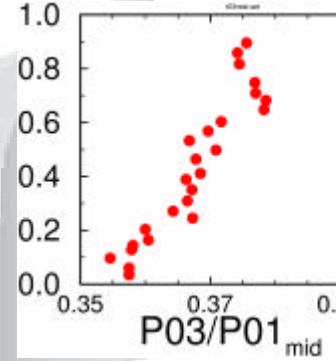
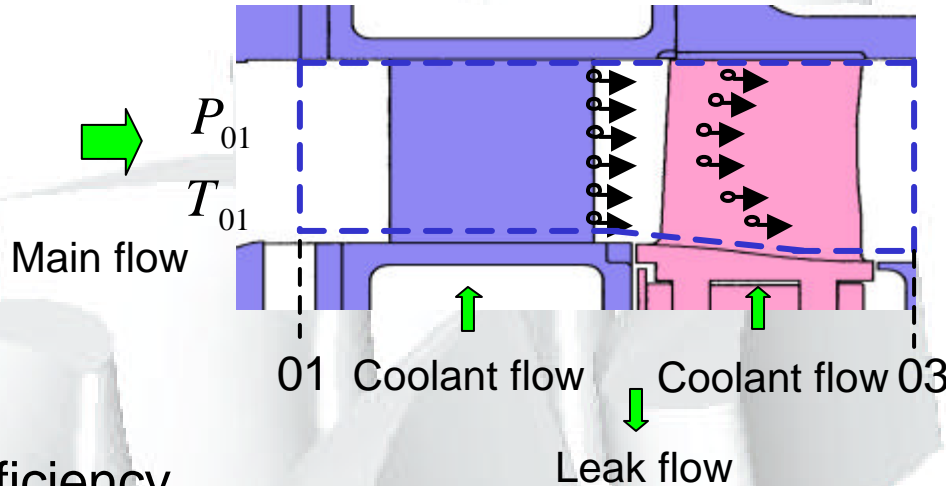
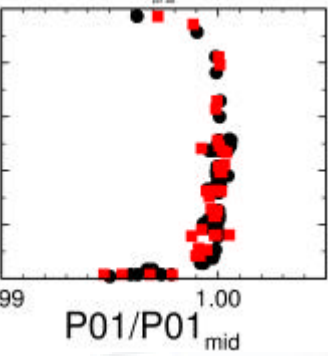
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# Definition of the efficiency: Mechanical Method



Aerodynamic efficiency

$$h_{areo} = \frac{P_{shaft} + P_{mech} + P_{wind} + P_{Heat}}{\left[ \iint_{Surface01} \dot{m}_{01} C_p T_{01} ds + \dot{m}_{Coolants} C_p T_{Coolants} \right] - \left[ \iint_{Surface03} \dot{m}_{03} C_p T_{03,is} ds + \dot{m}_{leaks} C_p T_{leaks} \right]}$$

with  $T_{03,is} = T_{01} \left( \frac{P_{03}}{P_{01}} \right)^{\frac{g-1}{g}}$



# Determination of the mass flow

The stage mass flow is calculated using a model of the facility

Results for 3 operating conditions:

<b>1 and ½ stage</b>	<b>Ct3 Model</b>
<i>0% rotor cooling [kg/s]</i>	15.27
<i>2% rotor cooling [kg/s]</i>	15.35
<i>3% rotor cooling [kg/s]</i>	15.36
Uncertainty	+/- 1.6 %
Dispersion	+/- 0.21 %



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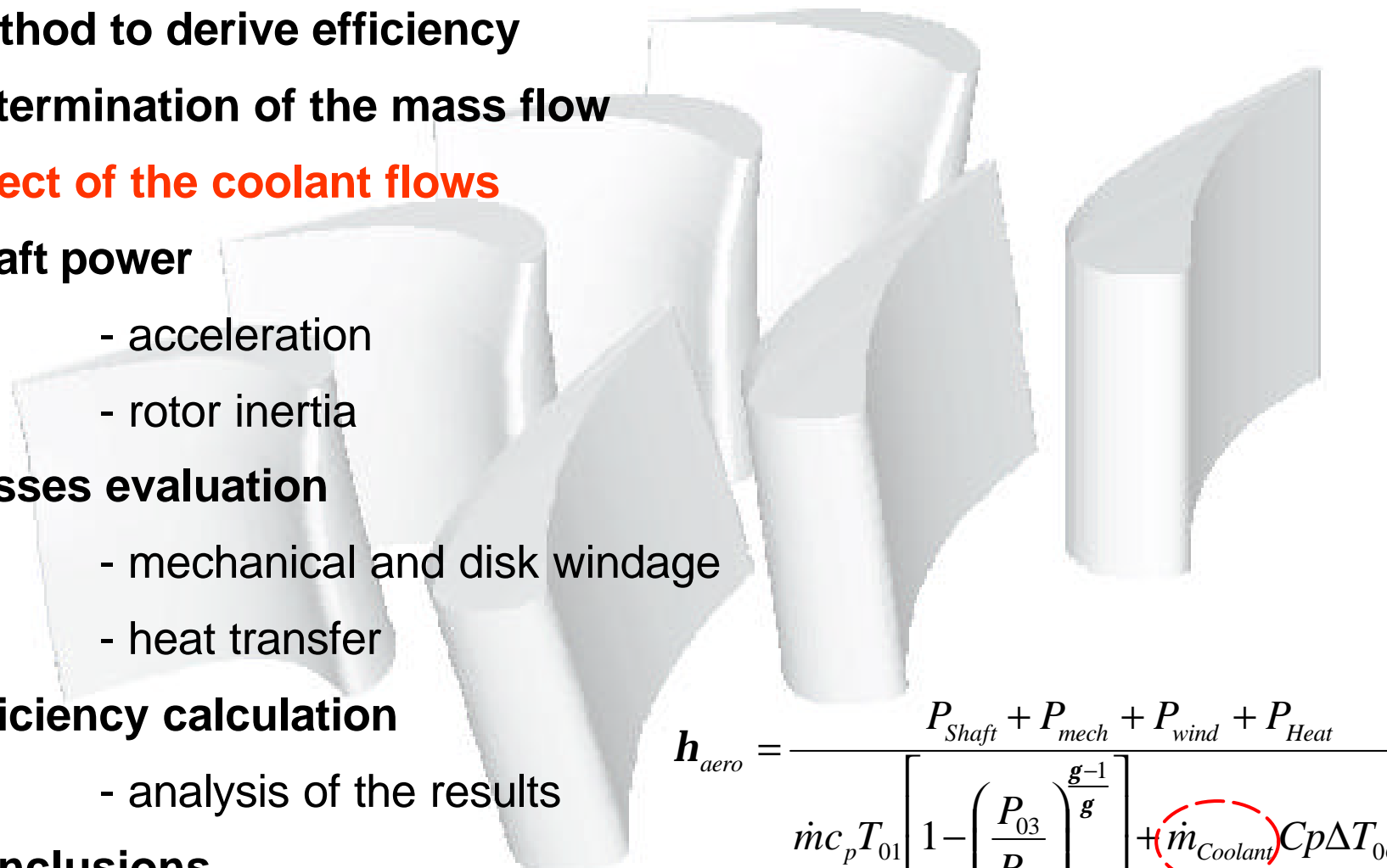
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# Stator Coolant

The NGV internal coolant flow is taken into account:

- Isentropic power:

$$P_{is} = \dot{m}_{Stator} C_p (T_{01} - T_{03,is}) + \dot{m}_{StatCool} C_p (T_{0C} - T_{03,is})$$

Injection slot

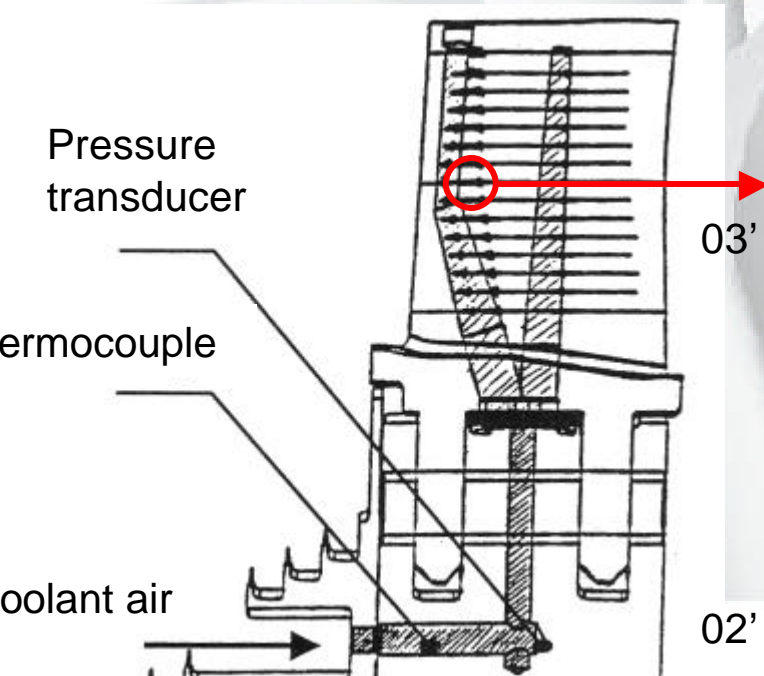
	<i>With cooling</i>	<i>Without cooling</i>
<i>Inlet mass flow [kg/s]</i>	10.27	10.6
<i>Coolant mass flow [kg/s]</i>	0.33 (3%)	0
<i>Real power [kW]</i>	1023.3	1023.3
<i>Isentropic power [kW]</i>	1094.5	1103.3
<i>Efficiency at midspan</i>	0.935	0.927
<i>Difference %</i>	~ 0.9 %	



# Rotor Coolant

The rotor film coolant flow is taken into account:

- ▶ The coolant flow must be mixed with the main flow
- ▶ The rotor is performing as a radial compressor
  - the pumping work is taken into account



## Test #006 3% condition

<i>Stage mass flow [kg/s]</i>	15.36
<i>Coolant mass flow [kg/s]</i>	0.111 (0.72%)
<i>P real [kW]</i>	1506.3
<i>P isentropic [kW]</i>	1675.27
<i>P pumping [kW]</i>	1.73
<i>T<sub>02abs</sub> with cooling</i>	466.52
<i>T<sub>02abs</sub> without cooling</i>	467.05
<i>h with cooling</i>	0.8991
<i>h without cooling</i>	0.8974



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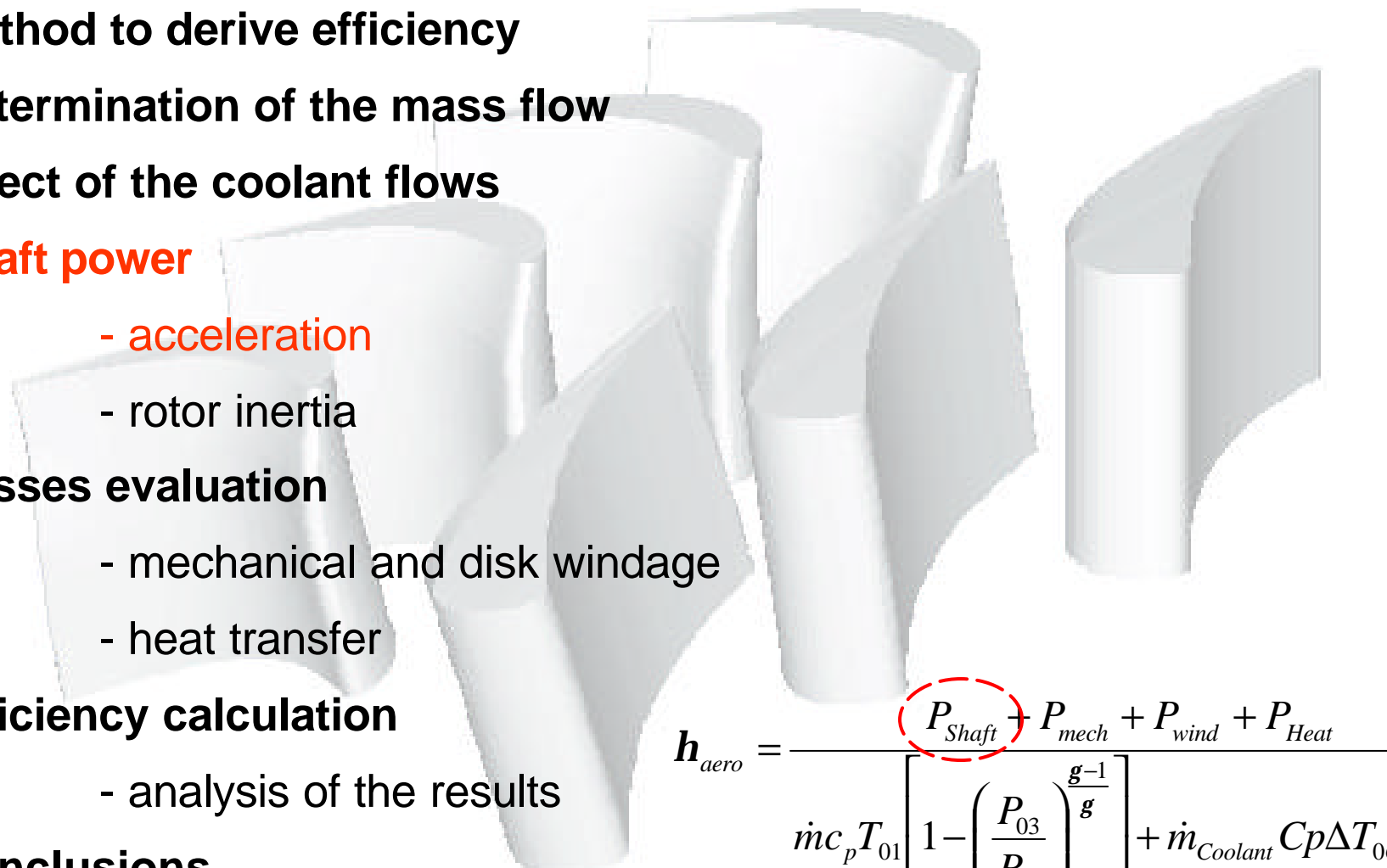
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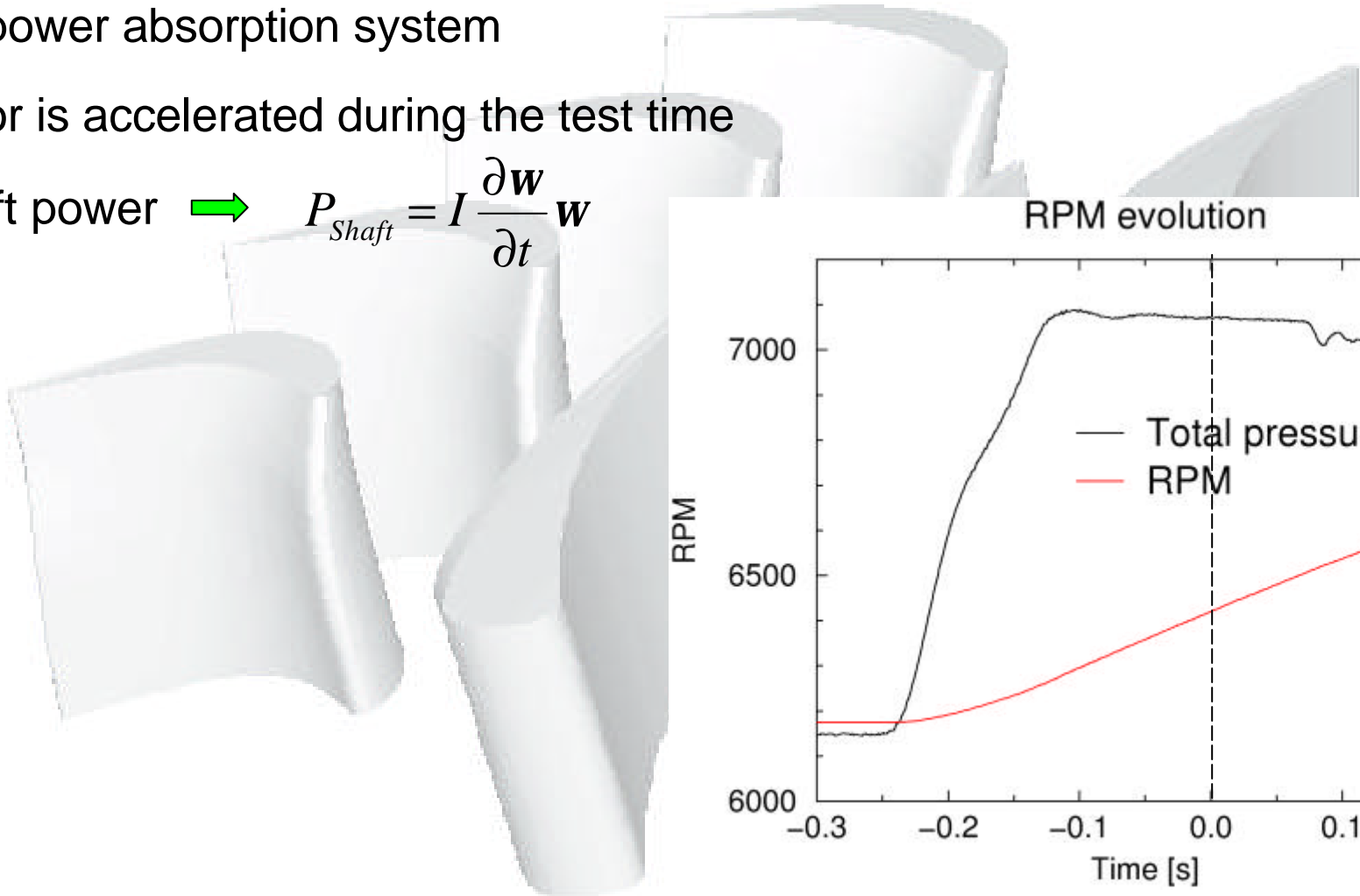


# Rotor acceleration

No power absorption system

Rotor is accelerated during the test time

Shaft power  $\rightarrow P_{Shaft} = I \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} \omega$



Acceleration is derived by a linear fitting



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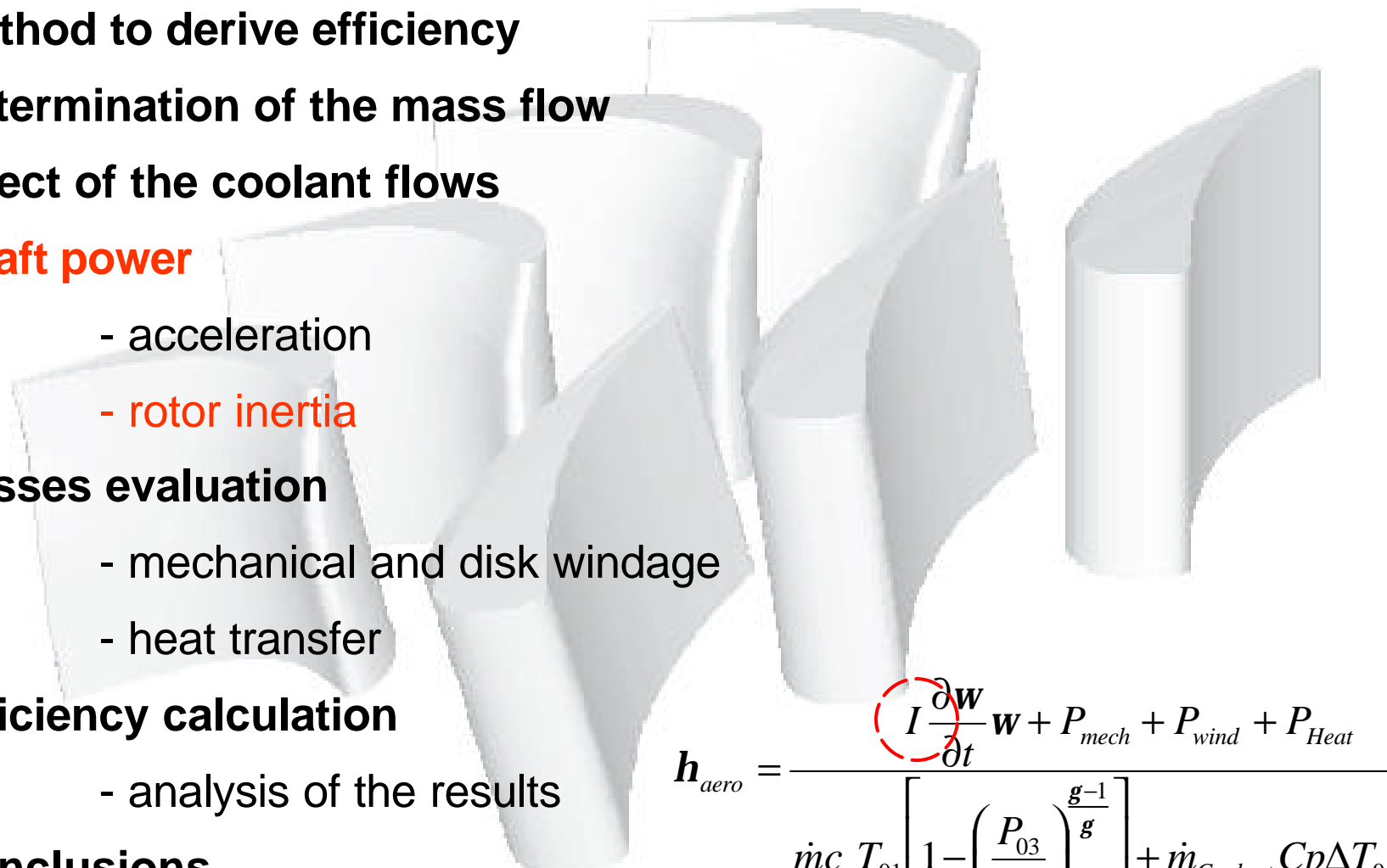
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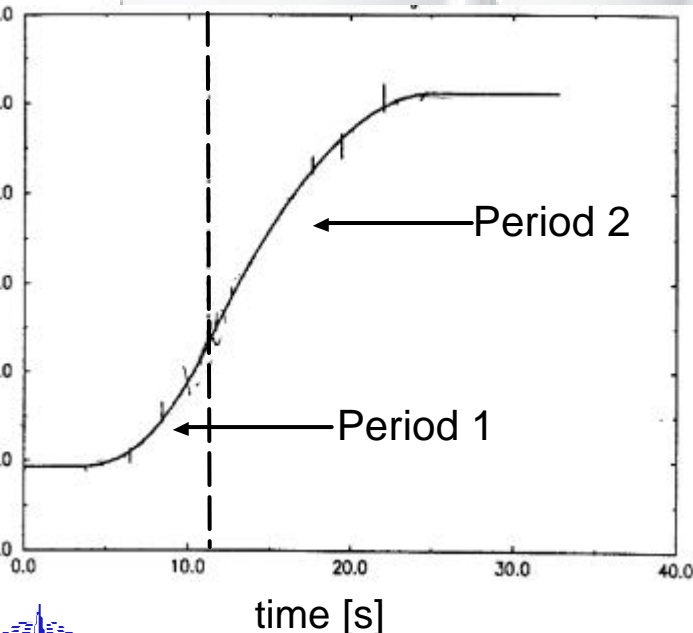
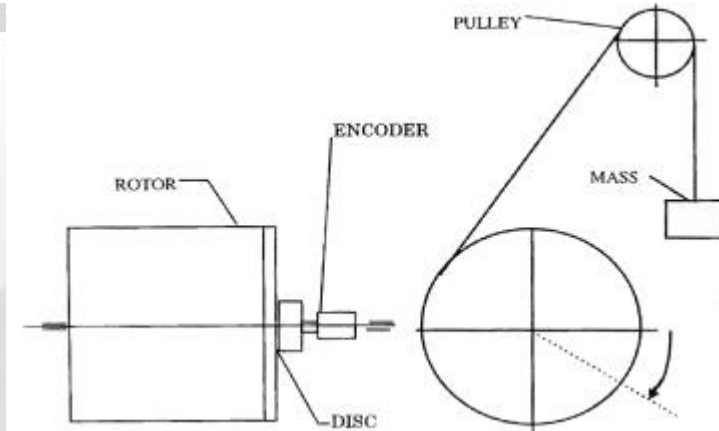
# Rotor inertia evaluation

The inertia of the cooled rotor is evaluated:

## *Experimental set-up:*

Period 1: The mass is falling down, the rotor is accelerated.

Period 2: The mass is laying in the floor, the rotor is decelerated by the mechanical friction.



→ Quadratic regression coefficients from the periods 1 and 2 (*Paniagua 1997*)

- *Results:*

- Rotor inertia =  $17,715 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m}^2$  disp =  $\pm 0.4$



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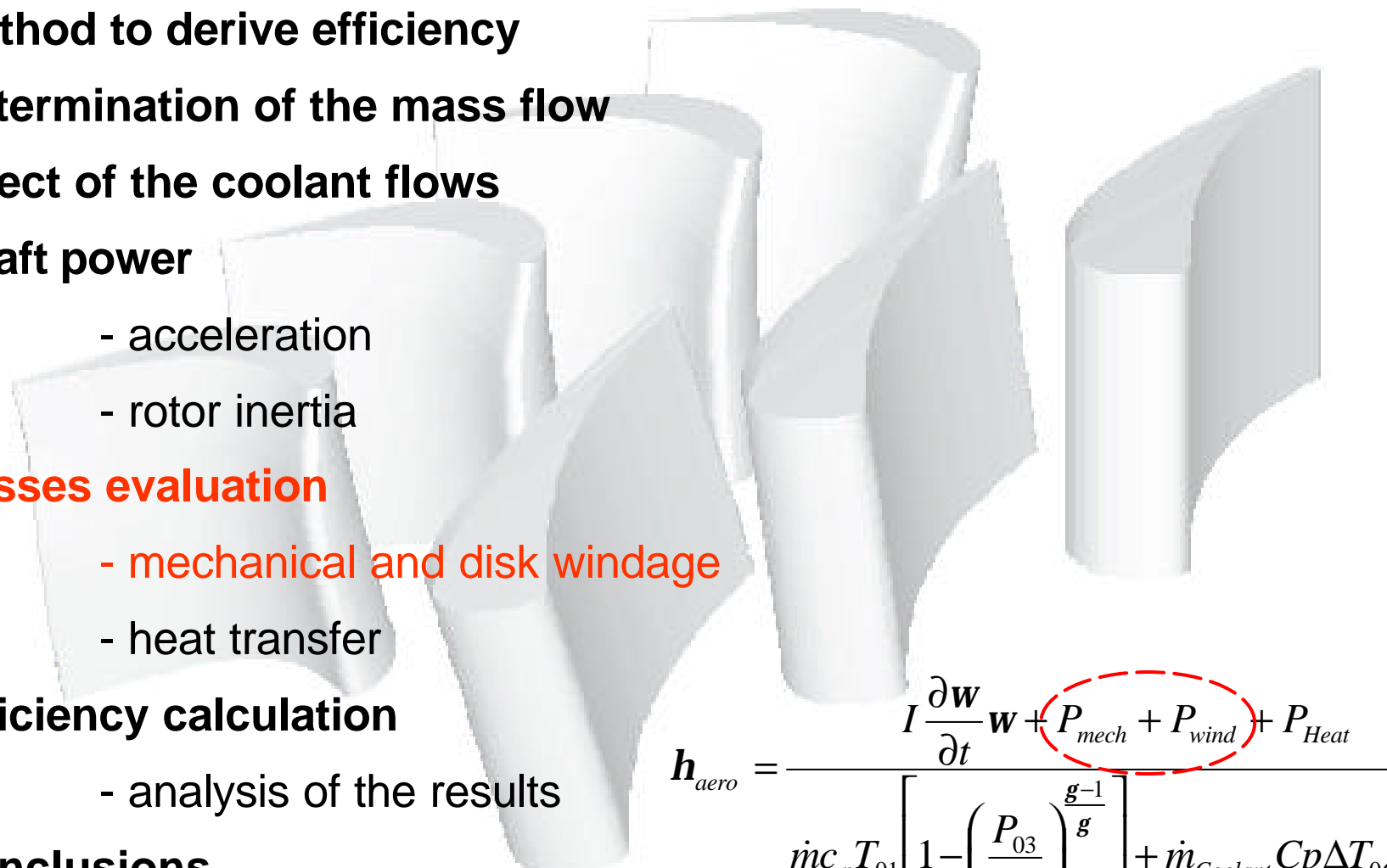
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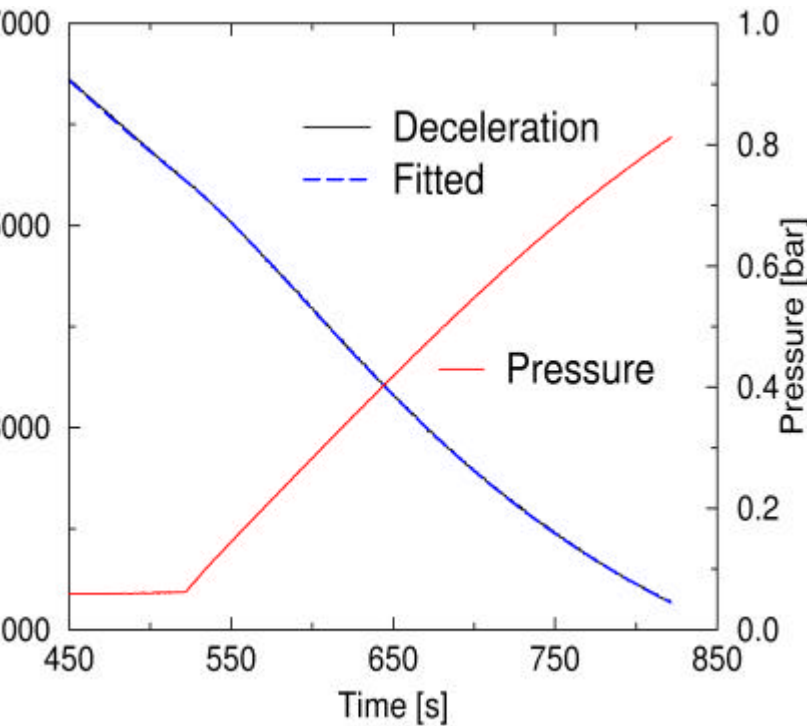
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# Mechanical losses



Free deceleration of the rotor due to the losses:

$$P_{Loss} = P_{mech} + P_{Disk} + P_{ventilation}$$

Loss correlation

1° Stator Rotor 2° Stator

$$T_{mech} = C_{vent} \cdot RPM \cdot N_{mech}$$

$$T_{vent} + P_{Disk} = rC_{area} \cdot RPM \cdot N_{mech}$$

Evaluate

$$P_{mech} + P_{Disk}$$

Bearing loss

Numerical optimisation procedure:

- Find the loss coefficients which provide the best fitting with the measured deceleration

Tot Power [kW]

0% condition  
14.31

3% condition  
14.29

% of tot power

0.93 %

0.96 %

Axial loading is taken into account



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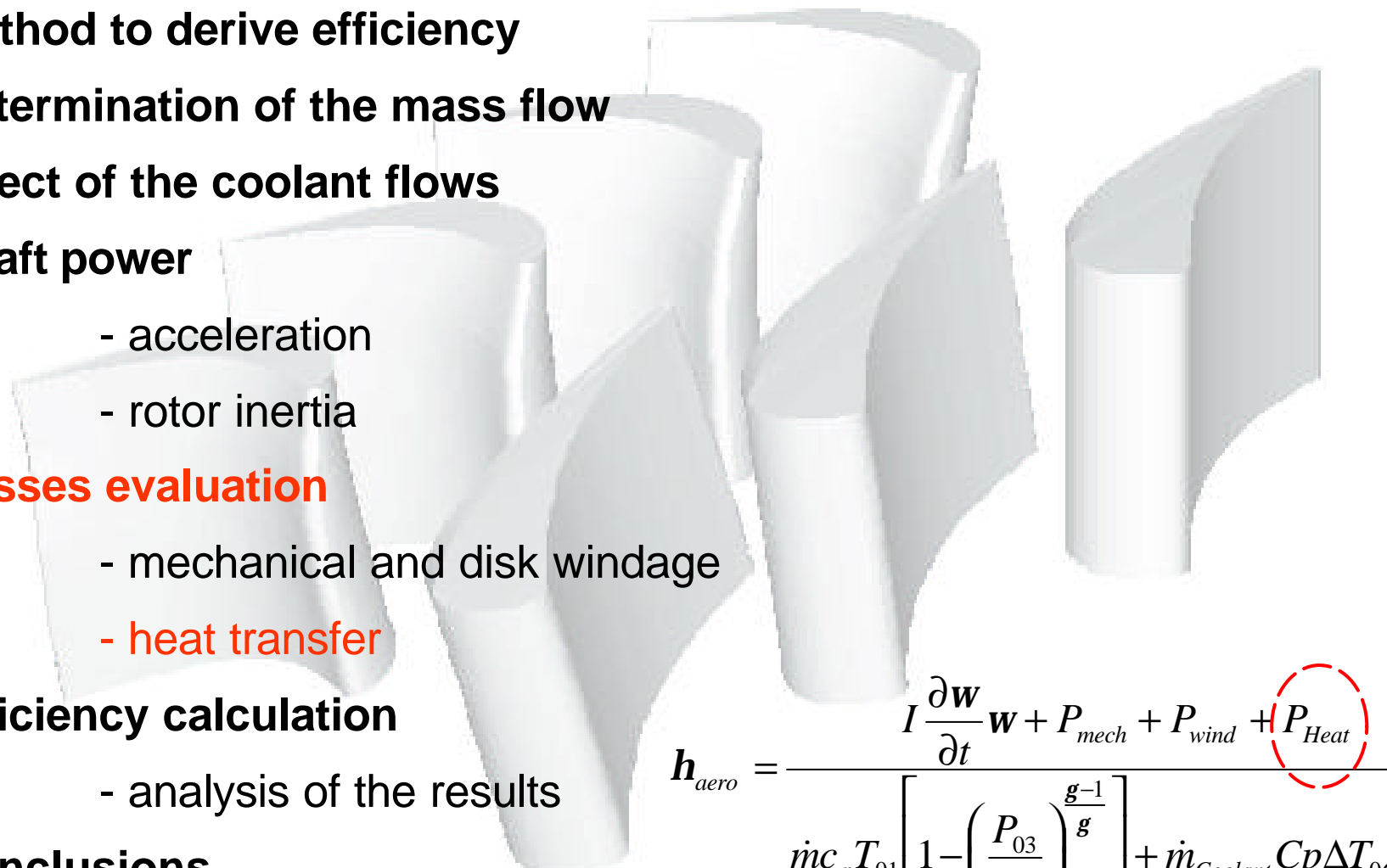
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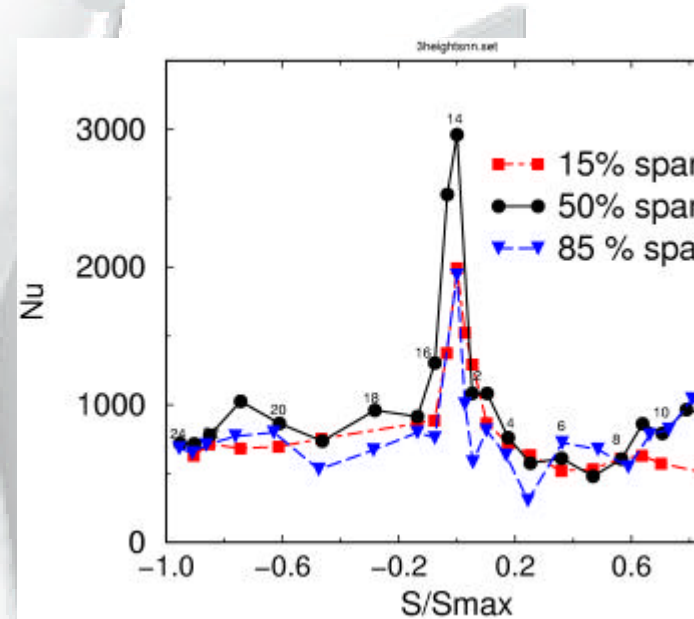
# Heat transfer

Evaluate the heat transfer in the control domain (no work is provided)

## • Rotor :

- Measured  $T_{gas}$  and  $T_{wall}$  history
- Heat flux
- Nusselt distribution (*Didier 2000, Chana 2000*)

→ heat transferred to the rotor blades  
 heat transferred to the rotor endwalls



## • Stator :

From LS89 measurements (*Arts 1990*)

*Re High P/p Nom*

→ heat transferred to the stator blades  
 Total heat [kW]

52.94

heat transferred to the stator endwalls  
 % of Power

3.65 %



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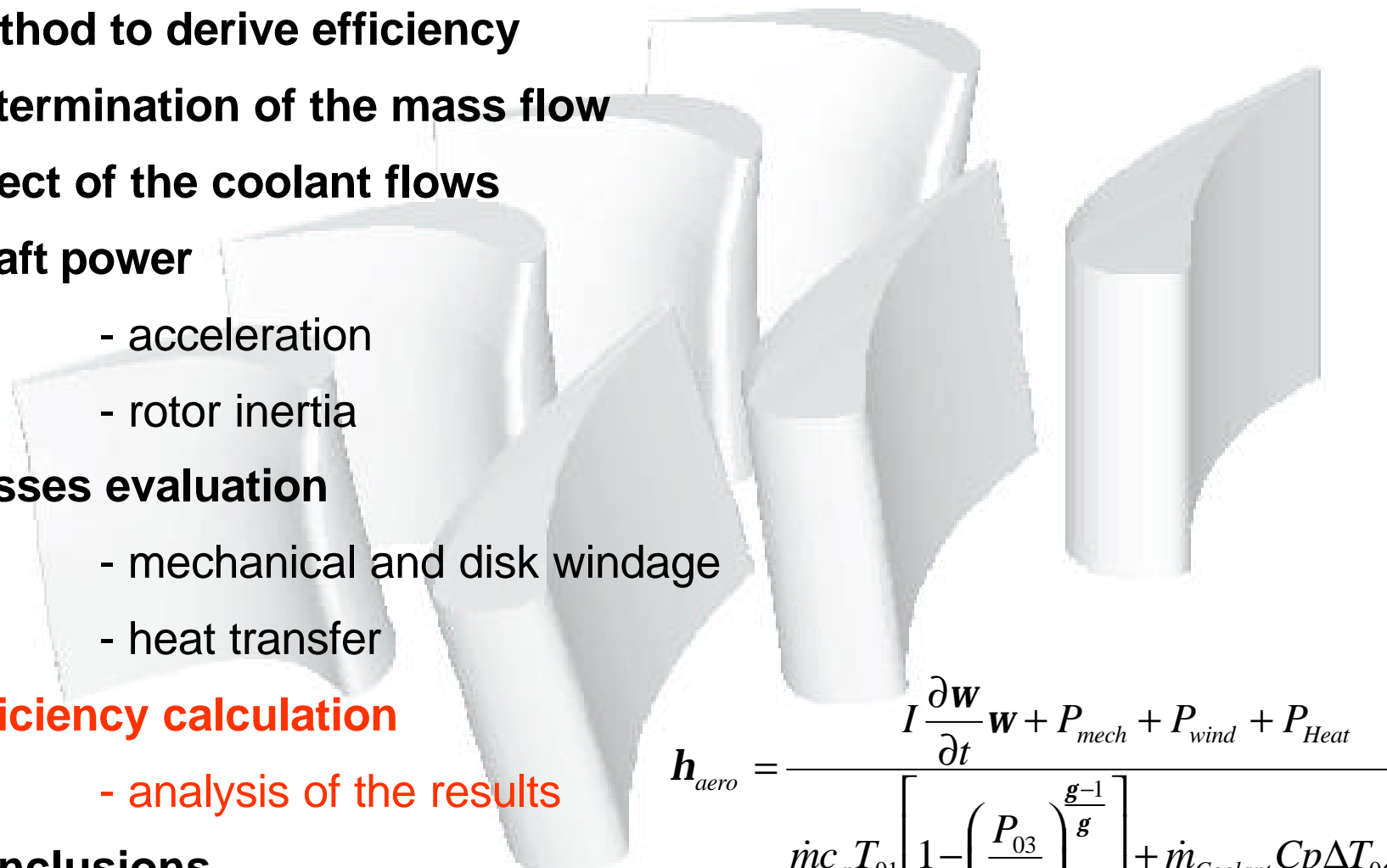
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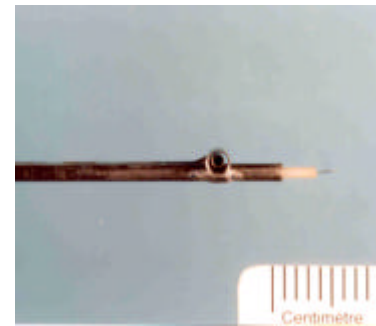
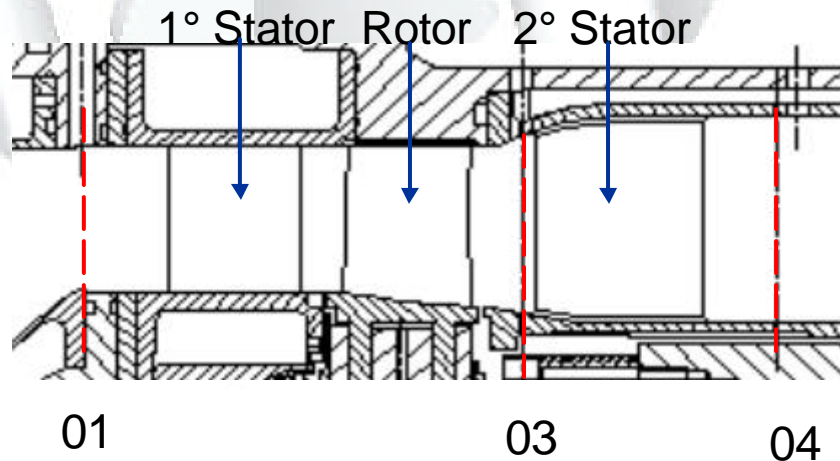
%	$T_{01}$	$P_{01}$	Press ratio	Mass flow	$P_{real}$	$P_{isentr}$	Acc	Rpm	$h$
mean	480,74	2,221	2,690	15,265	1526,1	1743,1	1154,5	6513,2	<b>0,876</b>
std %	1,11	0,52	2,55	0,19	1,24	2,20	1,26	0,24	<b>2,30</b>

→ Accurate inlet pressure measurements

→ Large dispersion in  $p$  is provided by the inaccuracy of  $P_{03}$



probe, stage inlet



Kiel+thermocouple  
stage inlet and out



# Efficiency results

→ Take into account the exit pressure  $P_{04}$ : lower test to test dispersion

→ Pressure ratio  $p$  is evaluated as: 
$$p^* = \frac{P_{01}}{P_{04} + \Delta P_0}$$

%	$T_{01}$	$P_{01}$	Press ratio*	Mass flow	P real	P isentr	Acc	Rpm	<b><i>h</i></b>
mean	480,74	2,221	2,751	15,26	1526,1	1778,6	1154,5	6513,2	<b>0,858</b>
std %	1,11	0,52	0,84	0,19	1,24	1,51	1,26	0,24	<b>1,35</b>

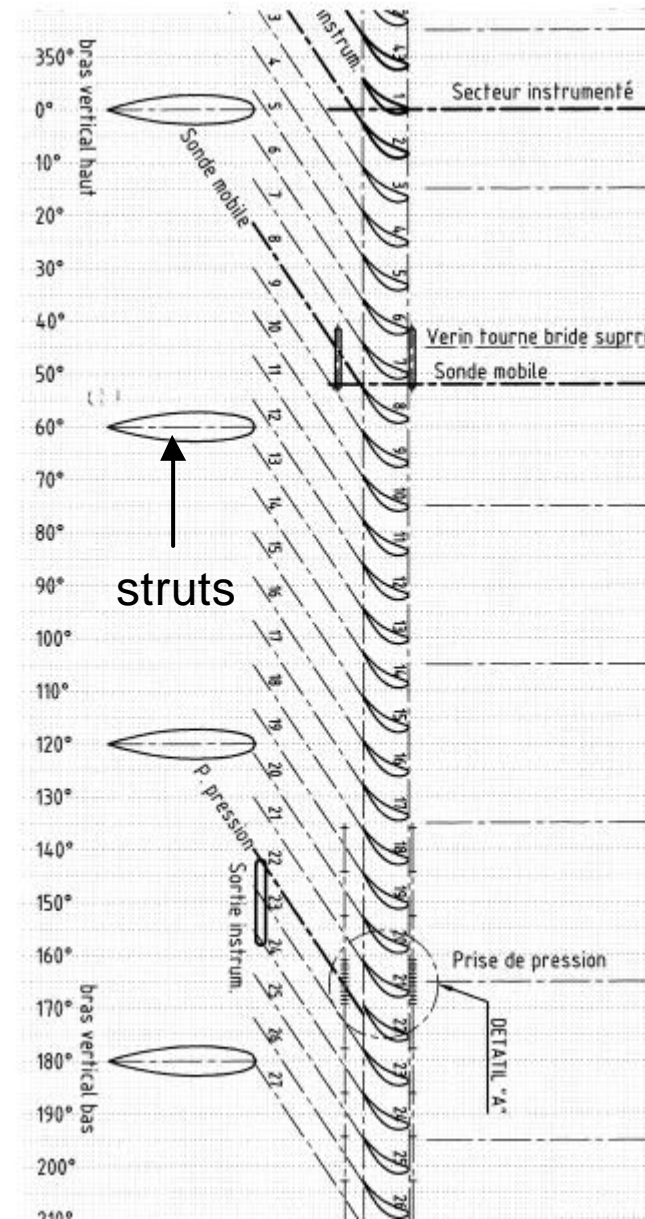
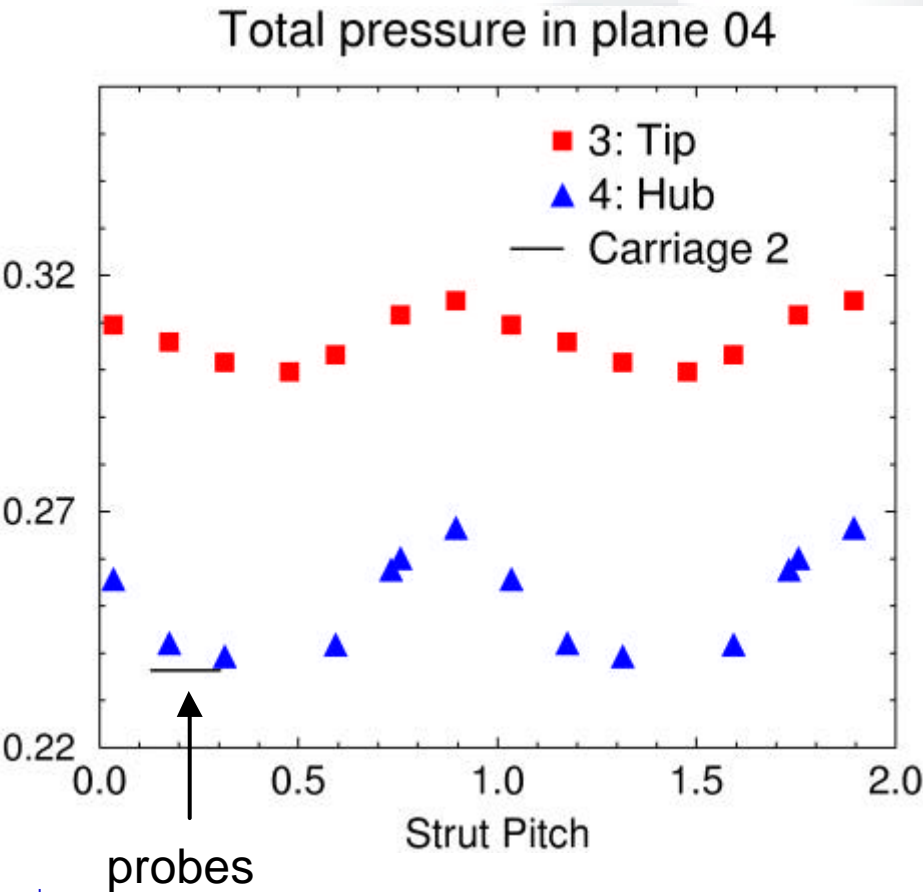
%	$T_{01}$	$P_{01}$	Press ratio*	Mass flow	P real	P isentr	Acc	Rpm	<b><i>h</i></b>
mean	480,66	2,223	2,671	15,36	1488,7	1744,3	1123,6	6520,5	<b>0,8519</b>
std %	1,06	0,62	0,72	0,23	1,68	1,15	1,95	0,22	<b>1,34</b>



# Efficiency results

The pressure  $P_{04}$  is not uniform

→ Presence of 6 module struts



# Efficiency results

1 and 1/2 stage configuration:

→ Accurate efficiency evaluation

single test uncertainty +/- 1.44%

Most sensitive parameters:

Pressure ratio → - large dispersion detected in  $P_{03}$   
- take into account  $P_{04}$

Acceleration → - dispersion is affecting sensibly the efficiency



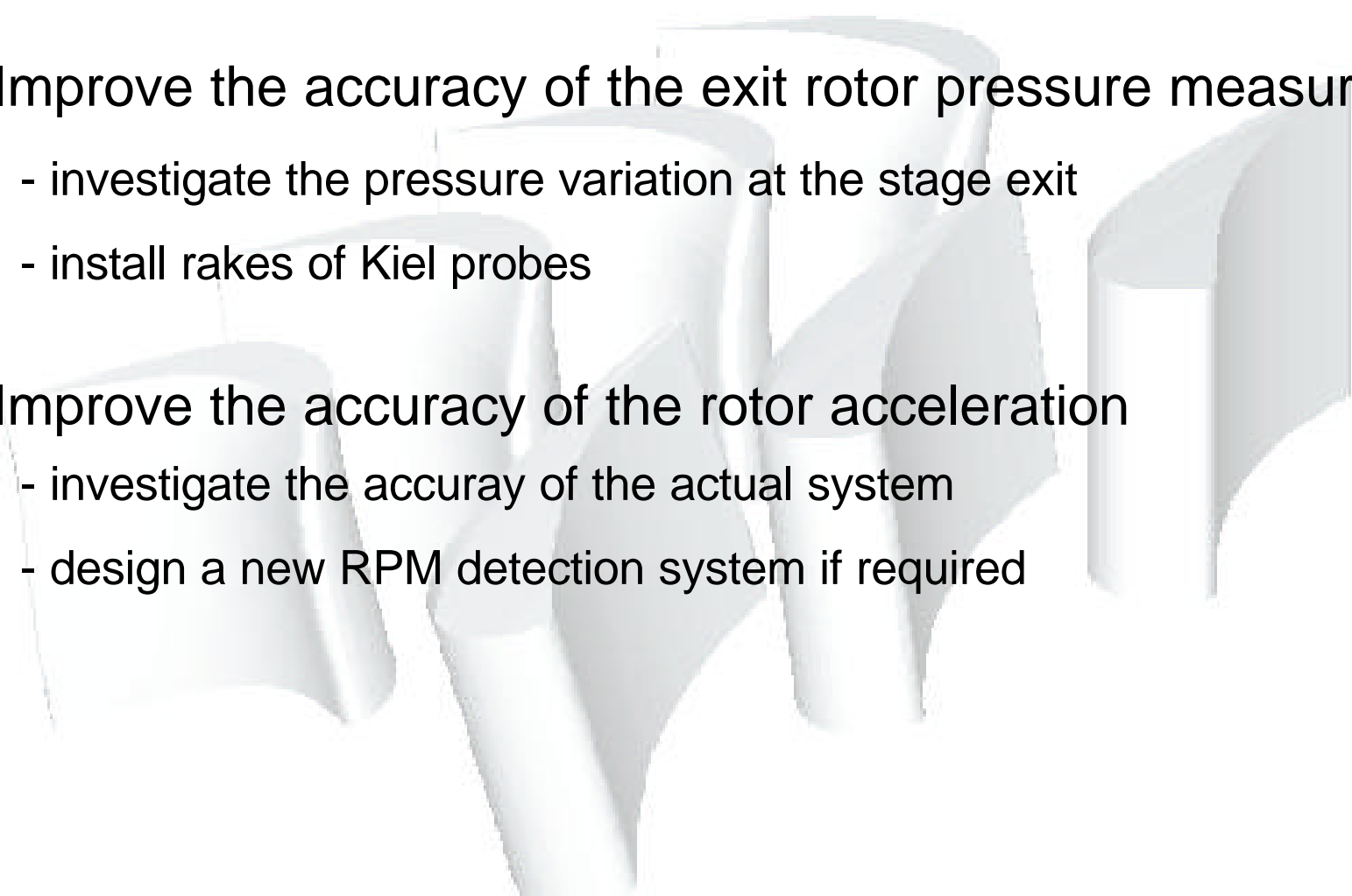
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complete overall efficiency analysis is presented

- The mass flow is calculated thanks to an accurate modelling of the facility
- The effect of the NGV and rotor coolant flow is analysed:
  - non negligible contribution of the NGV coolant (3% of  $\dot{m}_{Stage}$ )
  - small influence of the rotor coolant (0.7 % of  $\dot{m}_{Stage}$ )
- An accurate evaluation of the mechanical losses ( $\sim 1.4$  % of  $P_{tot}$ ), heat transfer ( $\sim 3$  % of  $P_{tot}$ ) and rotor inertia is performed
- efficiency is calculated and critical parameters are identified



# Future plans

- 
- Improve the accuracy of the exit rotor pressure measurements
    - investigate the pressure variation at the stage exit
    - install rakes of Kiel probes
  - Improve the accuracy of the rotor acceleration
    - investigate the accuracy of the actual system
    - design a new RPM detection system if required

