

## LINEAR MOMENTUM, MOVING CONTROL VOLUME

### In this lesson, we will:

- Discuss the linear momentum equation for a moving control volume
- Do some example problems

### Linear Momentum Equation for a Moving Control Volume

We derived the linear momentum equation for a fixed control volume in the previous lesson, using the Reynolds Transport Theorem. For a moving or deforming control volume, the main difference involves using relative velocity instead of actual velocity.

$$\sum \vec{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \vec{V} dV + \int_{CS} \rho \vec{V} (\vec{V}_r \cdot \vec{n}) dA,$$

Annotations:

- Total force (**vector**) acting on the control volume
- Rate of change of linear momentum inside the control volume
- Net rate of linear momentum flow out of the control volume
- For a *non-accelerating* and *non-distorting* control volume, we also use *relative velocity*  $\vec{V}_r$  in the other term in this integral
- For a general moving or deforming control volume, we use *relative velocity*  $\vec{V}_r$  in this term only, not in the other term in this integral

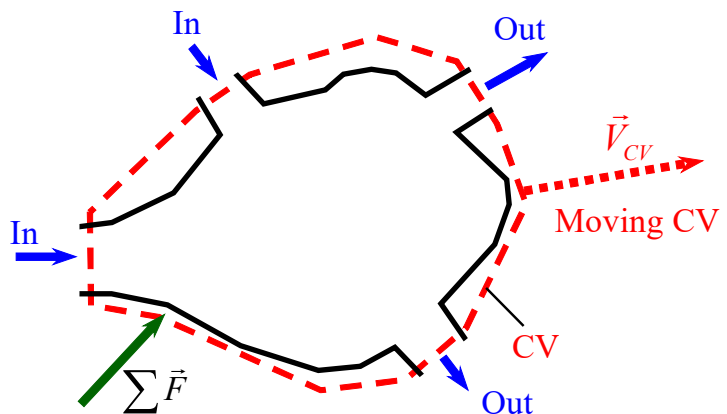
### Simplifications, Assumptions, and Approximations:

- Assume well-defined inlets and outlets
- Apply momentum flux correction factors
- Split total force into gravity, pressure, viscous, and other forces as previously
- Consider only an **inertial reference frame** for simplicity → NOT ACCELERATING★

### Approximate, most useful form of the linear momentum equation:

$$\sum \vec{F} = \sum \vec{F}_{\text{gravity}} + \sum \vec{F}_{\text{pressure}} + \sum \vec{F}_{\text{viscous}} + \sum \vec{F}_{\text{other}} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \vec{V} dV + \sum_{\text{out}} \beta \dot{m}_r \vec{V}_r - \sum_{\text{in}} \beta \dot{m}_r \vec{V}_r$$

This equation is valid for a fixed-shape control volume with well-defined inlets and outlets moving at a constant speed (inertial reference frame).

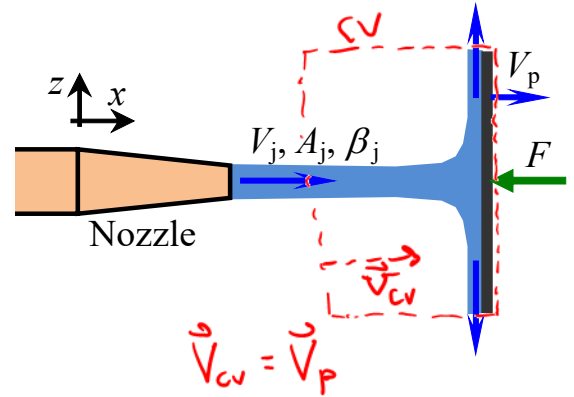


## Examples

### Example: Force imparted by a water jet hitting a moving plate

**Given:** A horizontal water jet of area  $A_j$ , average velocity  $V_j$ , and momentum flux correction factor  $\beta_j$  impinges normal to a *moving* vertical flat plate. The plate moves to the right at constant speed  $V_p$ .

**To do:** Calculate the horizontal force  $F$  required to keep the plate moving at constant speed  $V_p$ .



**Solution:**

- First step: Pick a wise CV ★
- Second step: Use the approximate, most useful form of the linear momentum equation, in the  $x$ -direction, for a moving CV, but *steady*:

$$\sum F_x = \sum F_{x, \text{gravity}} + \sum F_{x, \text{pressure}} + \sum F_{x, \text{viscous}} + \sum F_{x, \text{other}} = \sum_{\text{out}} \beta \dot{m}_r u_r - \sum_{\text{in}} \beta \dot{m}_r u_r$$

What is  $u_r$ ?  $u_r = u_{\text{absolute}} - u_{\text{cs}} \rightarrow V_p$  @ outlets

@ INLET  $u_r = V_j - V_p$

@ OUTLET  $u_r = 0$  in  $x$ -direction

$$-F = -\beta_j \dot{m}_j (V_j - V_p)$$

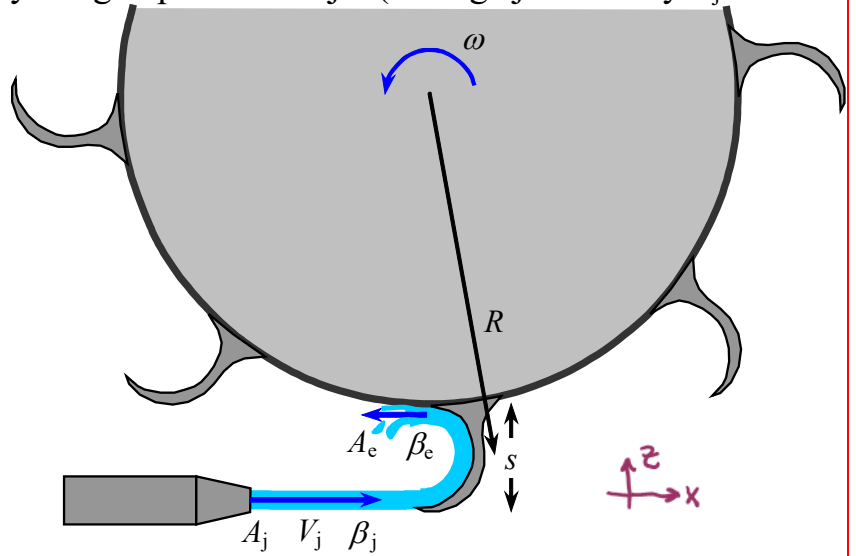
$$\dot{m}_j = \rho_{\text{water}} (V_j - V_p) A_j$$

$$F = \beta_j \rho_{\text{water}} (V_j - V_p)^2 A_j$$

★ Answer in variables

### Example: Force on a bucket of a Pelton-type (impulse) hydroturbine

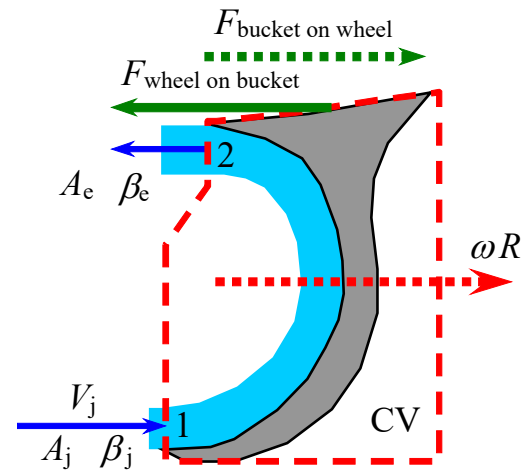
**Given:** An impulse turbine is driven by a high-speed water jet (average jet velocity  $V_j$  over jet area  $A_j$ , with momentum flux correction factor  $\beta_j$ ) that impinges on turning buckets attached to a turbine wheel as shown. The turbine wheel rotates at angular velocity  $\omega$ , and is horizontal; therefore, gravity effects are not important in this problem. (The view in the sketch is from the top.) The turning buckets turn the water approximately 180 degrees, and the water exits the bucket over exit cross-sectional area  $A_e$  with exit momentum flux correction factor  $\beta_e$ . For simplicity, we approximate that the bucket dimension  $s$  is much smaller than turbine wheel radius  $R$  ( $s \ll R$ ).



(a) **To do:** Calculate the force of the bucket on the turbine wheel,  $F_{\text{bucket on wheel}}$ , at the instant in time when the bucket is in the position shown.

(b) **To do:** Calculate the power delivered to the turbine wheel.

**Solution:** We choose a control volume surrounding the bucket, cutting through the water jet at the inlet to the bucket, and cutting through the water exiting the bucket. Note that this is a *moving control volume*, moving to the right at speed  $\omega R$ . We also cut through the welded joint between the bucket and the turbine wheel, where the force  $F_{\text{bucket on wheel}}$  is to be calculated. Because of Newton's third law, the force acting *on the control volume* at this location is equal in magnitude, but opposite in direction, and we call it  $F_{\text{wheel on bucket}}$ .



Since the pressure through an incompressible jet exposed to atmospheric air is equal to  $P_{\text{atm}}$ , the pressure at the inlet (1) is equal to  $P_{\text{atm}}$ , and the pressure at the exit (2) is also equal to  $P_{\text{atm}}$ .

WE APPROXIMATE THIS AS AN INERTIAL REFERENCE FRAME

$$\vec{V}_r = \vec{V} - \vec{V}_{cs} \quad \text{@ inlet \& outlets}$$

$$\text{At } \textcircled{1} \text{ (inlet), } \vec{V}_r = V_j \vec{i} - \omega R \vec{i} \rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{u_r = V_j - \omega R} \quad \text{x-comp}$$

## CONS. OF MASS

- Incompressible
- Quasi-steady Approximation
- Use relative velocities for the moving CV

$$\sum_{in} \dot{m}_r = \sum_{out} \dot{m}_r$$

$$\cancel{\rho} V_{r,in} A_{in} = \cancel{\rho} V_{r,out} A_{out}$$

$$(V_j - \omega R) A_j = V_{r,out} A_e$$

$$V_{r,out} = (V_j - \omega R) \frac{A_j}{A_e} \quad \star$$

$$u_{r2} = - (V_j - \omega R) \frac{A_j}{A_e}$$

x-comp of relative velocity  
@ outlet (2)

↓  
Plug  $u_{r1}$  &  $u_{r2}$  into our mom. eq.

- Use the x-component of the steady linear momentum equation for a moving CV,

$$\sum F_x = \sum F_{x, \text{gravity}} + \sum F_{x, \text{pressure}} + \sum F_{x, \text{viscous}} + \sum F_{x, \text{other}} = \sum_{\text{out}} \beta \dot{m}_r u_r - \sum_{\text{in}} \beta \dot{m}_r u_r$$

none in  
x-dir

$P = P_{\text{atm}}$   
everywhere

wise cv

||

$-F_{\text{bucket on wheel}}$

$$\beta_e \dot{m}_r u_{r2} - \beta_j \dot{m}_r u_{r1}$$

Where  $\dot{m}_r = \rho (V_j - \omega R) A_j$

$$F_{\text{bucket on wheel}} = \rho (V_j - \omega R)^2 A_j \left( \beta_j + \beta_e \frac{A_j}{A_e} \right)$$

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Force of one bucket acting on the turbine wheel  
@ the instant in time when jet is aligned with  
the bucket

APPROXIMATE

(b) Power delivered to the turbine wheel

Soln:  $\dot{W}_{\text{wheel}} = \text{Torque} \cdot \text{angular velocity}$

$$= F_{\text{bucket on wheel}} \cdot R \cdot \omega$$

$$R + \frac{s}{2}$$

APPROXIMATE

$$\dot{W}_{\text{wheel}} = \rho (V_j - \omega R)^2 A_j \left( \beta_j + \beta_e \frac{A_j}{A_e} \right) R \omega$$

