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Abstract

The purpose of this study was to examine the change in the intake and early compression region flow field for two different rotor pocket geometries and to examine the impact of apex seal leakage on the flow field within a motored rotary engine assembly experimentally. Two-dimensional Laser Doppler Anemometry (LDA) measurements were taken over a central plane grid during intake and early compression under motored conditions of 2000 rpm and wide open throttle (WOT). A comparison of the flow fields for the two different rotor pocket geometries showed little difference in the regions studied under the stated conditions. The intake flow field for both rotors was dominated by a large scale circulation in the opposite direction of the shaft rotation. Small changes in the flow field were seen with the change in pocket configuration and apex seal leakage. The results of this study seem to indicate the intake port configuration is the dominant controlling parameter in the establishment of the flow field in a rotary engine.

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Chapter 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Problem Statement

The purpose of this study was to examine the change in the intake region flow field for two different rotor pocket geometries and to examine the impact of apex seal leakage on the flow field experimentally under the same motored conditions of 2000 rpm and wide open throttle (WOT). This data can also be used to provide a quantitative comparison with the results of numerical simulations. Developing an understanding of the characteristics of the flow field within the rotary engine and how these characteristics influence the combustion process is one of the most important steps in optimizing the engine's performance. Ideally, analytical models will be developed to the point where design changes, such as pocket geometries and compression ratios, can be tested analytically without the time and expense of making a full prototype and testing it on a dynamometer. An important step towards this goal is the acquisition of experimental data with which to verify these models. Analytical models which attempt to predict the flow field within the rotary engine have had little experimental data to use for comparison [1-9]. Computational models of rotary engines, which are aimed at calculating quantities such as the indicated mean effective pressure (IMEP) or rate of combustion [10-14], have had a larger base of experimental results with which to compare [12-21].

1.2 Literature Review

Hamady et al. [22] presented high speed films of the flow field during the intake and early compression strokes in a motored rotary engine at both 675 rpm and 1170 rpm. In a corresponding study by Chouinard et al. [23], selected laser Doppler anemometry (LDA) measurements were made in the same engine assembly, under the same conditions, in an attempt to quantify some of the major flow field characteristics. These two studies reported a significant amount of blowby, gases leaking past the apex seals from the compression region into either the exhaust or intake regions. These studies stated that the blowby created a large circulating flow field in the intake region when it interacted with the entrained intake charge. This circulating flow was aided by the fact that the test rig used for those studies, and for this study, was peripherally ported, not side ported or a combination of side and peripheral. The studies done by Hamady [22] and Chouinard [23] were done at low shaft speeds, roughly equivalent to idle for an actual engine, with light weight graphite apex seals under motored conditions. Other studies [24-28] have shown the apex seals may lose contact with the surface of the rotor housing at higher shaft speeds under both motored and firing conditions. The combination of low shaft speed and graphite apex seals significantly reduces the centrifugal force on the seal when compared to higher speeds and steel apex seals. A later study by Hamady et al. [29] showed the intake region flow field for a Mazda 12A assembly with steel apex seals at 2000 rpm. Selected LDA

measurements were made to quantify some of the flow features, and again the flow field was reported to circulate in the opposite direction of the rotor.

Experimental and computational studies have been done in an attempt to determine the movement of the apex seal as it goes through a cycle under motored and firing conditions. Matsuura [24] reported experimental data on the lateral movement of the apex seal to the apex seal slot. Matsuura [25] also examined the behavior of the apex seal against the trochoidal surface, in a firing rotary engine using several different apex seals. The results of the later study [25] showed the apex seals lose contact with the trochoidal surface for various engine shaft speeds, up to 6000 rpm, and under various operating loads. A study by Knoll et al. [26] again examines the issue of rotary engine seal dynamics but by means of a computational analysis in which real time pressure data is input into the governing equations. The results of Knoll compare reasonably well with Matsuura, with the exception that the Matsuura results showed an increasing gap between the apex seal and the trochoidal surface with increasing engine speed above 2000 rpm and Knoll's results showed the opposite, a decreasing gap with increasing shaft speed. In order to develop more accurate computational models of the flows within the rotary engine, the motion of the apex seal under various conditions and the impact of that motion on the flow field must be better understood. It is interesting to note that Knoll's study reported calculated results for 2053 rpm, under motored conditions at WOT,

among other conditions, for the Mazda 12A engine configuration. These conditions correspond to those used in Hamady et al. [29] and in this study. Knoll's results showed the apex seal shifting from the leading to trailing edge of the apex slot at 460 crank angle degrees (cad) with no separation of the apex seals from the surface of the rotor housing. Hamady's results claimed the blowby event, indicating loss of contact between the apex seal and the trochoidal surface, occurred at between 470 and 480 cad (after adjusting Hamady's definition of 0 cad to match Knoll's definition). A numerical study by Rachel et al. [28] examined frictional power losses associated with the apex and side seals in a rotary engine. Their results showed the radial acceleration force becoming negative, indicating apex seal lift-off, from 3000 to 7000 rpm with a IMEP of 412.5 kPa. This loss of contact occurred between 134 and 216 cad, after adjusting Rachel's definition of zero cad to match the one used in this study, for 3000 rpm and increased to 123 and 237 cad for 7000 rpm.

The effects of the apex seal leakage in computer models of rotary engine flows and performance have been handled differently by different investigators depending on the goal of the study. References [1-8] are computational studies of either the flow fields in the rotary engine, fuel-air mixing in the rotary engine or both. These predictions do not include the effects of apex seal leakage. The importance of this omission depends on the desired results and the impact the leakage may have on these results. An important initial attempt at estimating the effects of apex seal leakage was done by Eberle and Klomp [10]. Their model assumed a constant

apex seal leakage area throughout an entire cycle (1080 cad) for lack of better information at the time. A later study by Ferguson [12], which also included the effects of apex seal leakage, examined the exhaust composition and flow rate both experimentally and numerically. Ferguson [12] suggested a possible large scale recirculating flow established by the leakage of the apex seal as a source for the discrepancy between experimental and calculated results. This type of recirculating flow was seen in the intake region by Hamady [22,29]. Computational studies of the apex seal motion [26] indicate the corresponding leakage past the apex seal into the exhaust region should be greater in magnitude than that into the intake region.

Li et al. [9] used a computational model to examine the effect of apex seal leakage on flow fields within the rotary engine. This study examined the effects of engine speed, leakage area, and compression ratio on the velocity field, distribution of turbulent kinetic energy and volume-averaged pressure in a two-dimensional model. Previous numerical studies of flows in the Wankel engine [1-8] have assumed apex seal leakage to be negligible. Li et al. [9] examined engine speeds of 5,000 and 10,000 rpm, compression ratios of 4.93 and 6.86, open and closed intake and exhaust ports for three different leakage models. The leakage models used assumed the leading apex seals lost contact with the trochoidal bore at 2.5π radians before TDC and the trailing apex seals lost contact at 0.5π radians before TDC. The leading and trailing apex seals were assumed to remain at a constant distance from the trochoidal

bore until TDC. Three different separation distances were examined in the study. The leakage model was based on the observed flow fields in Hamady [22] and Chouinard [23], which were conducted at 675 and 1170 rpm with graphite apex seals. The results of Li's numerical study [9] showed a recirculation region from the leading edge of the rotor pocket to the leading apex seal. This recirculation was a result of the leakage model used and was seen to increase with increasing apex seal leakage. The results of Li [9] did not show the large scale recirculation seen in this study.

This study examines the two-dimensional, central plane flow field for a peripherally ported rotary engine assembly being motored at 2000 rpm. The results of this study offer quantitative, experimental data which was previously unavailable. Comparing the results from this study to results which could be obtained from numerical studies done with the same parameter is a critical step in developing accurate numerical models. Even though numerical models for the flows in a rotary engine have been under development for some time their accuracy has not been established since there have been no experimental results for comparison.

Chapter 2

EXPERIMENTAL EQUIPMENT

2.1 Rotary Engine Assembly

The rotary engine assembly used for this study is a single rotor peripherally ported assembly. This single rotor device is derived from Mazda 12A components. A leading deep recess rotor [LDR] and a symmetric recess rotor [SMR] were studied, as shown in Figure 1. The SMR was run in both a stock Mazda 12A central housing and a modified non-compression version. The non-compression version had a rectangular port equal in area to the intake port machined into it at the location of the upper spark plug, Figure 2. The pocket volumes were 20.1 and 23.37 cc for the SMR and LDR respectively. These pocket volumes resulted in a compression ratio of 9.51 for the SMR and 9.05 for the LDR. Figure 2 shows the rotary engine assembly. Optical access for the LDA measurements is provided by sapphire windows mounted in the end housings. The windows constitute approximately one third of the total area of the trochoidal profile, Figure 3. Production Mazda 12A side, oil and two-piece steel apex seals were used throughout the study. The same seals were used in both rotors. The engine assembly was lubricated in the same manner as the actual engine, SAE 20w-50 motor oil was supplied at 175-280 kPa [25-40 psi] to the main bearing carrier. The oil is returned to a reservoir by means of a vacuum pump which is regulated by a flow control valve operated at 41 kPa (12" Hg). This is a closed system that originates and terminates at the reservoir. The main reason for using the vacuum oil return is to reduce window fouling. Selected specifications of the RCE engine are given in Table 1.

Table 1. Rotary engine specifications

Major axis (y)	120 mm
Minor axis (x)	90 mm
Generating radius (R)	105 mm
Eccentricity (e)	15 mm
Intake port opening (IPO)	987°
Intake port closing (IPC)	1070°
Exhaust port opening (EPO)	732°
Exhaust port closing (EPC)	786°

2.2 Laser Doppler Anemometry System

The laser Doppler anemometry system shown in Figure 4 consists of a 4 watt argon-ion laser manufactured by Coherent, optical and signal processing equipment designed and built by TSI, Inc., and an IBM PS/2 80 computer for data acquisition [29]. The system is currently operating in a single-line mode, permitting the measurement of one velocity component at a time. A Model 9180 frequency shift system consisting of a Bragg cell and frequency shifter is being used to allow directional velocity measurements and detection of flow reversals. The laser, the transmitting optics and the receiving optics are mounted on a rigid traverse table, Model 9900-1, specifically designed for traversing a LDA optical system. This method of traversing provides flexibility in relocating the probe volume within the cylinder, as the distance from the focusing lens to control volume remains fixed. Translations in the x, y and z direction are be achieved via a keypad style contoller with an accuracy

of 25 μ m. The data processing equipment consists of a Rotating Machinery Resolver (Model 1998), a counter type processor (Model 1990) and a master interface (Model MI990), all manufactured by TSI, Inc. This equipment collects and processes the data coming from the photomultiplier and sends the data to an IBM PS/2 80, where it is manipulated and displayed in graphical form.

The seed delivering system is a Model 9306 six-jet atomizer manufactured by TSI, Inc. In this study propylene glycol dissolved in 5 parts of water is used to form the seed particles. The particle size distribution reported by TSI is between 0.5-0.8 µm in mean diameter. The propylene glycol provided excellent data rates without the problem of contaminating the transparent windows, so often encountered in LDA measurements.

2.3 Data Reduction and Display Software

An important development over previous studies [23,27,29] was the data reduction and graphical display software created for this work. Figure 5, from Hamady [29], is representative of the displayed results for experimental flow field data taken in a rotary engine. The blank region from 30 to 110 cad is a result of the rotor blocking the measurement volume. The results are accurately displayed but do not help the reader visualize the entire intake process and require a separate graph for each measurement location. The programs developed for this work, RTOVEL and ROTOR_DOUBLE [30], allow the reader to interpret the results

from fifty measurement locations simultaneously.

The data reduction program, RTOVEL, is included in Appendix A. This program reads in velocity data files created by the PHASE software package and reduces the data to produce the velocity mean versus crank angle for the selected input files. Both the RTOVEL and PHASE programs are designed to be run on IBM compatible personal computers using DOS 3.3 or higher. The PHASE (Phase Resolved) software was developed by TSI Inc. to collect and display data from the LDA and signal processor system. There are two velocity files associated with each measurement location, a U component and a V component velocity file. This study examined 50 measurement locations for three different cases, creating a total of 300 velocity files each containing 20,000 individual measurements. Figure 6 shows the measurement locations within the central housing. The origin of the coordinate system is at the center of the crank shaft.

The first 253 lines of the velocity files, the file header, contain all of the relevant parameters associated with the file. Information such as the number of data points, creation date, component, measurement location, and frequency shift used are all included in the header. The remainder of the velocity file contains each velocity measurement. The RTOVEL program reads the header information to get the number of data points, the velocity component and the measurement location. The number of data points is used as the loop counter for reading the data and the velocity component is used to confirm there is only one u and one v

component data file for each measurement location. The measurement locations are based on the coordinate system seen in Figure 6. The coordinate pair is converted from millimeters to the non-dimensionalized coordinates used by the ROTOR_DOUBLE program for the final display. The resulting output file is an 18,050 X 5 array with the columns being x and y position, u and v velocity component (mean velocity) and crank angle.

The ROTOR_DOUBLE program is actually a command file for use within PV-WAVE. PV-WAVE is a workstation analysis and visualization environment developed by Precision Visuals Inc. The version of PV-WAVE used in this study, version 3.0, is designed for use in a UNIX operating system. All of the work done with PV-WAVE was performed on a Sun 4/260 workstation. The ROTOR_DOUBLE program reads in the reduced data and displays the resulting vector field within the representation of the rotor and central housing. The output of the program could either be displayed on the computer screen, sent to a printer in the form of a postscript file, sent to an encapsulated postscript file or sent to a TIF format graphics file. There are other output devices available with PV-WAVE but only the above mentioned devices were utilized in this study. The screen and postscript displays allowed resulting graphical immediate examination of the output. The encapsulated postscript output creates a file which is intended for use with a word processor type of application, such as this text. The vector fields in figures 8 and 12 are encapsulated postscript files which were generated with the ROTOR_DOUBLE program. The final output device, the TIF graphics image, was used to create a computer animation of the flow field. The ROTOR_DOUBLE program generated a TIF file for every crank angle. These files were then loaded onto a Recognition Concepts Inc. Trapix 5500 Image Processor. The image processor cycled through the TIF files and the resulting screen images were recorded onto a VHS format tape with a conventional video cassette recorder.

Chapter 3

EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURE

All of the data was collected at a shaft speed of 2000 rpm, WOT and under naturally aspirated conditions. The data was collected in forward scatter, made possible by having sapphire windows in both end housings, with 10 MHz frequency shift. The criteria for acceptance of the velocity data were as follows: The mean velocity has been measured for two different frequency shifts, 5 and 10 MHz, at the same position and operating conditions to verify that the shifting did not have a significant effect on the measurements. Figure 7 demonstrates the results of mean velocity, u component only, versus crank angle at one location with both 10 MHz and 5 MHz frequency shift and is typical of the results for all of the measurement locations. The 10 MHz frequency shift was used because it provided the widest measurement range. The signal filter settings used throughout the study were 30 kHz and 50 MHz for the low and high filters respectively. This results in a working measurement range of -25.8 m/s to 103.4 m/s for the 10 MHz frequency shift and 2.5853 micron fringe spacing used. The 50 measurement locations, as seen in Figure 6, are all in the rotor housing central plane, equidistant from both end housings. The locations are on a 12 mm grid with the exception of six points around the major axis which were needed for a more complete picture of the flow field. The origin of the coordinate system is the center of the crank shaft. Forty thousand data points were collected at each location, 20,000 for the u component and 20,000 for the v component. The 40,000 data points per location is the practical limit for the current system given the available disk space for storage of the data and the counter/processor in use.

The data collection window started at 0 cad and closed at 360 cad. The position encoder used returned to 0 after reaching 360 cad. The data collection window was subsequently reopened at this point. This resulted in the data from each of the three rotor faces being superimposed upon each other. Previous studies [22,23,29] have shown no appreciable difference in the intake flow field between the different rotor faces under motored conditions. This would not necessarily be true for a study done under firing conditions. Local fuel/air ratio fluctuations can cause significant cycle-to-cycle variability in the IMEP [17], which could affect the apex seal leakage and the intake flow field.

Chapter 4

RESULTS

4.1 Effects of Pocket Configuration on the Flow Field

Figure 8 shows the measured mean velocity fields for both the LDR and SMR rotors with compression. The magnitudes of the velocities are proportional to the length of the vectors. The key vector in the upper left hand corner of the plots represents 10 m/s and the black mark on the housing represents the upper spark plug hole. Fluctuations in the seeding resulted in some of the measurement locations having insufficient individual measurements to qualify as a valid measurement point. If less than fifteen velocity measurements were available for either the u or v component the velocity at that location was given a magnitude of zero for that crank angle. The minimum value of fifteen measurements for each component was arrived at after examining the results for minimums of 50 and 30 measurements per component. Figure 9 shows examples of the results for the 30 and 50 count minimums for 190 and 250 degrees. The 15 count minimum displayed a greater number of vectors while being consistent with the results for 30 and 50 count minimums.

The early stages of intake, Figure 8, crank angles 130 and 160, show relatively high fluid velocities when compared to the leading and trailing apex seal velocities. The velocities for the leading and trailing apex seals versus crank angle were calculated using equations from

Ansdale [31] and are shown in Figure 10 for 0 to 360 cad. The maximum measured fluid velocities near the intake port during intake are approximately twice the maximum apex seal velocity, approximately 21 m/s for the fluid versus 10.5 m/s for the apex seal. The fluid velocities near the intake port can be estimated by calculating the average velocity through the intake that would be required to fill the increase in volume of the working chamber over a small change in crank angle, assuming the fluid to be incompressible. Figure 11 shows the calculated volume of the working chamber versus crank angle, using equations from Yamamoto [32], for 0 to 360 cad. The calculated change in volume, for the LDR rotor, from 180 to 195 cad is 42.97 cc, the cross sectional area of the intake port is 14.52 cm² and the elapsed time for the crank to rotate 15 degrees at 2000 rpm is 1.25 ms. The estimated intake velocity is calculated as follows:

Average velocity =
$$\Delta V/(\Delta T \times A_c)$$
 (1)

Where, ΔV is the change in volume of the working chamber, ΔT is the elapsed time and A_c is the cross-sectional area of the intake port. The estimated average velocity throughout the intake at 2000 rpm for both the LDR and SMR rotor was 23.68 m/s. The average magnitude of the three measurement locations closest to the intake port over the same 15 degree span was 18.61 m/s and 18.86 m/s for the LDR and SMR rotors respectively. Some of the difference is a result of the measurements being within the central housing where the fluid can diverge.

Circulation of the intake flow field is apparent for both rotors at 160 cad, Figure 8. The fluid velocities relative to the rotor surface range from 0 near the leading apex to 16 m/s near the intake port moving from the trailing apex towards the leading apex. The intake charge moves along the rotor face until it approaches the leading apex seal. At this point the fluid still has considerable momentum and begins to recirculate along the surface of the central housing.

At 190 cad, Figure 8, the effects of the rotor configuration on the flow field begin to become apparent. The similar characteristics of the flow fields for both the LDR and SMR rotors are a large scale circulation, a region of entrained fluid next to the rotor face extending from the leading edge of the rotor pocket to the leading apex seal and a small separation region just above the intake port. The difference between the flow fields at 190 cad is that the center of the circulation is closer to the leading apex seal for the LDR rotor than that for the SMR rotor. This difference is a result of the leading deep pocket allowing the intake flow to penetrate further into the working chamber before exiting the pocket and beginning to recirculate. This pattern continues to develop throughout 220 and 250 cad. By 280 cad the intake stroke is ending and the velocities, for both rotor configurations, near the intake are below 5 m/s. The separation region at the upper edge of the intake port decreases with the decreasing intake velocities.

The back flow, the flow exiting the intake, seen at 310 cad for both rotors was observed from 297 to 314 cad for the SMR rotor and from

approximately 340 cad, the velocity field is driven by the rotor motion and the remaining fluid inertia. By 10 cad, (370 cad by notation), the recirculation initiated during intake is almost indistinguishable and the rotor motion seems to be the sole driving force behind the fluid motion. This trend continues for 40 cad (400 cad) and 70 cad (430 cad). The final two vector fields, 70 and 100 cad, are included for completeness. The interference of the rotor and very low data rates in late compression resulted in relatively few valid measurement locations for crank angles 70 through 130.

There is no conclusive evidence of apex seal leakage for either the LDR or the SMR rotors at any point during the cycle, 0 to 360 cad. The measurement locations close to the inner surface of the central housing did not have valid measurements immediately following the passing of the rotor. Valid results at these measurement locations did not begin until 15 to 25 cad after the rotor had passed through the location. Likewise, valid results continued at these measurement locations until approximately 15 to 25 cad before the rotor passed through that point. The flow fields for both rotors, Figure 8, do not exhibit a strong jet-like flow along the inner surface of the central housing which can be directly attributed to apex seal leakage.

4.2 Effects of Apex Seal Leakage on the Flow Field

In order to observe the impact apex seal leakage has on the flow field, the study previously discussed was repeated for the SMR rotor with a modified central housing. This central housing had a rectangular port machined into the housing equal in area to the intake port and centered on the upper spark plug hole, Figure 2. This was done so that there would be no significant pressure differential across the apex seal. The new port does not permit the working chamber to undergo compression at any point in the cycle. It is assumed there is no apex seal leakage since there is a negligible pressure differential.

Figure 12 shows the vector fields for the SMR with and without compression. The early stages of intake, 130 and 160 cad, show very little difference between one another as was the case in Figure 8. At 190 cad, Figure 12, the flow fields for both configurations have developed recirculation. At this point there does not appear to be an appreciable difference in the flow fields.

Repeating the comparison of the average measured velocity at the three locations nearest the intake from 180 to 195 cad results in an average velocity of 20.27 m/s. The estimated average velocity, as stated earlier, is 23.68 m/s. The average measured velocities for the LDR and SMR with compression were 18.61 m/s and 18.86 m/s respectively. The difference in the measured velocities could be a result of apex seal leakage occurring during compression. If the fluid is again viewed as incompressible, any fluid entering the working chamber via apex seal leakage would decrease the total mass of air entering through the intake port over the same time differential.

The flow fields for both cases demonstrate the same general

features for both 220 and 250 cad, Figure 12. These features are the same as those seen in Figure 8, a large circulation region in the center of the field and separation regions near the leading apex and the upper edge of the intake. The center of the circulation is slightly closer to the leading apex seal for the rotor undergoing compression. The flow field appears to be more uniform for the rotor which is not undergoing compression. This suggests that apex seal leakage may have a slight influence on the flow field.

Even though the anti-compression port opens at 260 cad, the flow fields for 280 cad are very comparable to one another. At 310 cad, Figure 12, the fluid can be seen exiting the housing through the new port. The remaining crank angles are included for completeness.

4.3 Assessment of Uncertainty in the Measurements

The two primary sources of fluctuation in the velocity measurements are the inability of the measurement technique to precisely measure the velocity and the cycle to cycle variability of the flow through a point. The fidelity with which the seed particles follow the flow is the primary source of measurement imprecision in the LDA system. A previous study by Chouinard [33] showed that the 0.5-0.8 µm diameter seed particles used in this study faithfully follow the flows in the rotary engine assembly under the conditions tested. In this study the measurements for each of the three rotor faces were superimposed on each other since the PHASE software used for data collection did not

permit data collection on a 1080 degree cycle. It is not possible to separate the fluctuations which result from measurement imprecision, rotor-face to rotor-face variability and the cycle to cycle variability on a single rotor face in the existing data. Figures 14 and 15 show the data distributions for two locations, two crank angles and both velocity components for the SMR rotor which is not undergoing compression. The locations and crank angles are shown in Figure 13. These distributions are representative of the data distributions found throughout the study. The bin size used for the experimental data curves was 0.25 m/s. Equation 2 [34] was used to produce the normal distribution curves.

$$F(x) = (ymax)e^{-0.5((x-\mu)/\sigma)}$$
 (2)

Where ymax is the maximum number of occurrences in a bin, μ is the mean value for the sample and σ is the standard deviation.

The range of total data points per sample, for Figures 14 and 15, is a maximum of 308 data points at location A for 190 cad, v component, and a minimum of 24 data points at location B for 190 cad, u component. It is not immediately clear how many data points are needed to fully characterize the flow at any one location and crank angle for a given velocity component. The data distribution for location A, 190 cad, u component closely approximates a normal distribution with a total of 139 data points. The data distribution for the same location and crank angle, v component is not as close an approximation to the normal distribution with 308 total data points. In order to obtain sufficient data to examine

the fluctuations in the flow field improvements need to be made in the data processing equipment and the data storage and reduction equipment. Practical system limitations, such as the amount of disk space available to store the data and relatively low data rates, prevented the collection of additional data for this study.

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSIONS

This study has presented a quantitative experimental study of the flow field for two different rotor pocket geometries in a motored rotary engine assembly at 2000 rpm and WOT with and without compression occurring. The fluid flow through the intake port was seen to create a recirculation which dominated the intake flow field for both rotor pocket geometries, with and without compression. Based on the material presented the following concluding remarks can be made:

- 1. For the 2000 rpm shaft speed tested, the intake fluid velocities near the intake were found to be nearly twice the maximum apex seal velocity. This created a recirculating flow field during the intake stroke.
- 2. The center of the recirculation was closer to the leading apex seal for the LDR rotor than for the SMR rotor with both rotors undergoing compression. The center of the recirculation for the SMR was seen to move slightly towards the trailing apex for the case where the rotor does not undergo compression.
- 3. Once the intake port is closed for the rotors undergoing compression, the flow field quickly loses the recirculation exhibited during intake and the flow field is driven by the rotor motion.

- 4. A small difference in the intake velocities for the SMR rotor with and without compression was measured. Slight differences in the flow fields were also noted when these two configurations were compared. This seems to indicate that apex seal leakage is occurring for the rotor undergoing compression.
- 5. Under the conditions tested, 2000 rpm, WOT and normally aspirated, apex seal leakage does not contribute significantly to the circulating flow field seen during the intake process in the peripherally ported rotary engine assembly.

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CHAPTER 6

RECOMMENDATIONS

The following is a list of recommendations for both future work and improvements in the system used in the experiments.

- 1) Develop a technique for determining if and when the apex seals are losing contact with the trochoidal housing. The technique described in Matsuura [25] can be used but may prove to be too labor and cost intensive to be practical. Comparing measured pressure traces to calculated isentropic pressure curves can be used to determine leakage from the working chamber but determining whether the leakage is occurring at the side, apex or button seals may prove difficult.
- 2) Develop a version of the TSI PHASE software which will permit data collection over an 1080 degree cycle. Currently either 360 or 720 degree cycles are available. The 1080 degree cycle could be used to confirm the lack of variability in the flow field from rotor face to rotor face.

Figures



Figure 1 Mazda Leading Deep Recess and Symmetric Recess Rotors

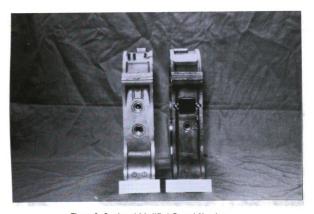


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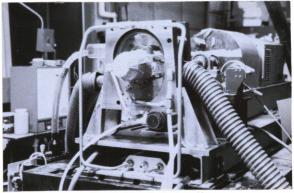
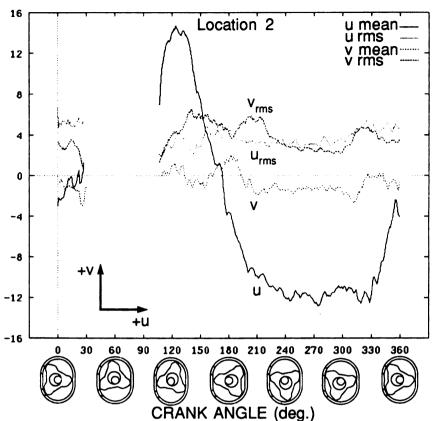


Figure 3 Rotary Engine Assembly



Figure 4 Laser Doppler Anemometry System



Mean and RMS velocities at 2000 rpm in a naturally aspirated rotary engine with two-piece apex seals.

Figure 5 Displayed Results from Hamady [29]

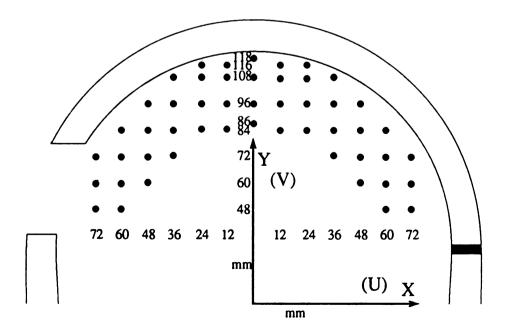


Figure 6 Measurement Locations

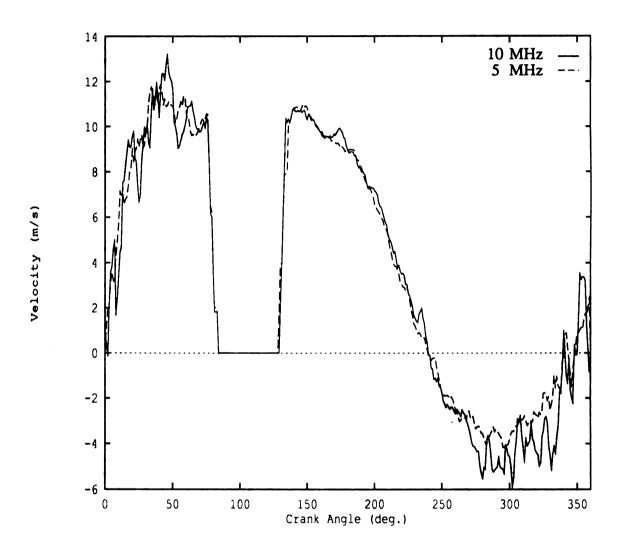
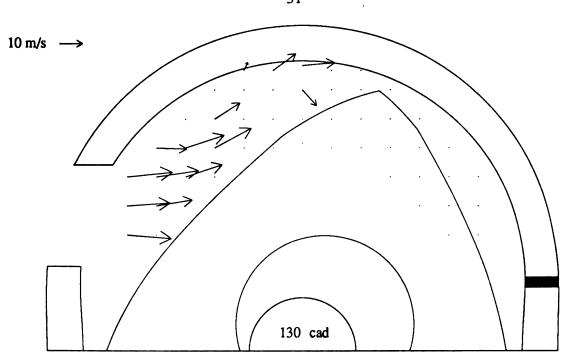
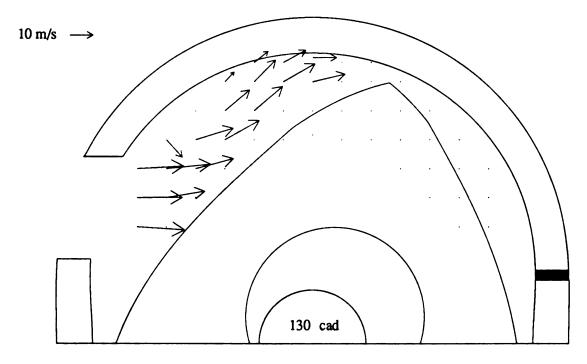


Figure 7 U Component of Velocity versus Crank Angle for 5 and 10 MHz Frequency Shift

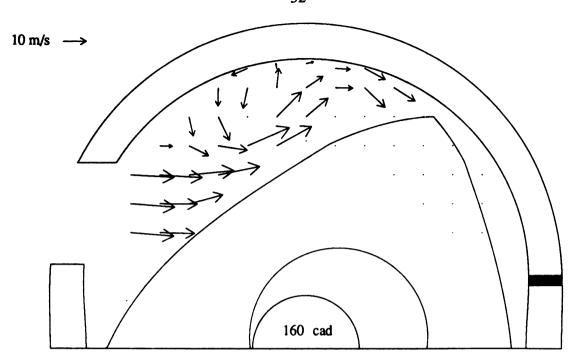


Mazda Leading Deep Recess - Mean Velocity



Symmetric Recess - Mean Velocity

Figure 8 Comparison of the Mean Velocity Flow Fields for the LDR and SMR rotors



Mazda Leading Deep Recess - Mean Velocity

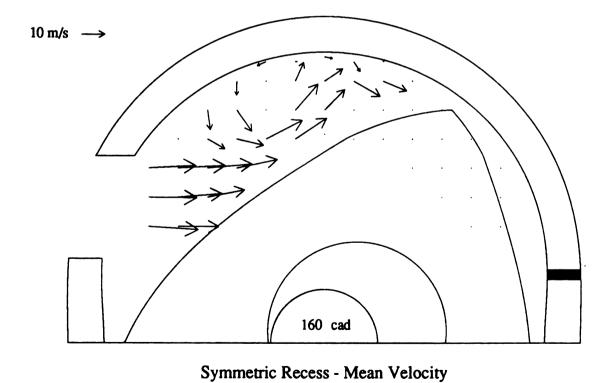
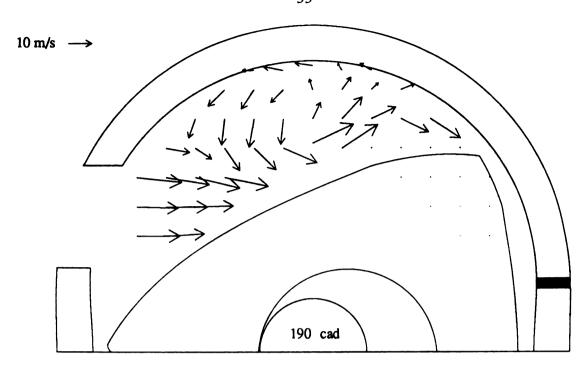
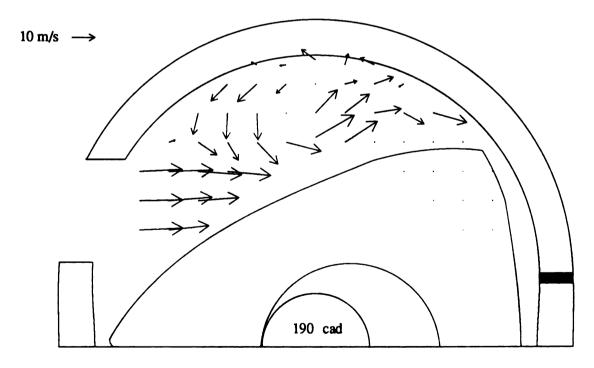


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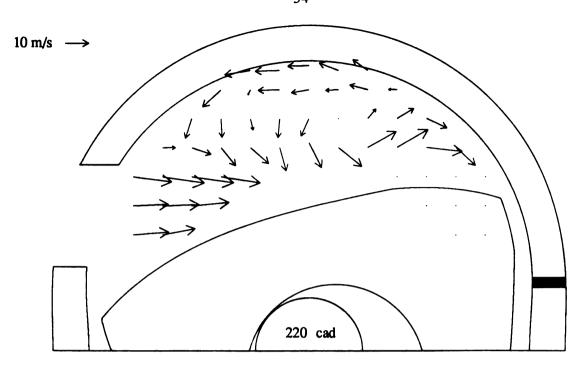


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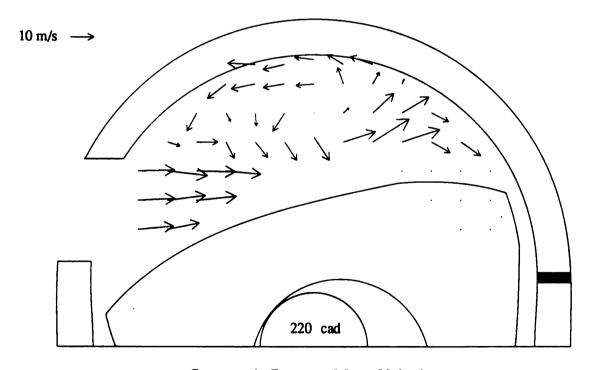


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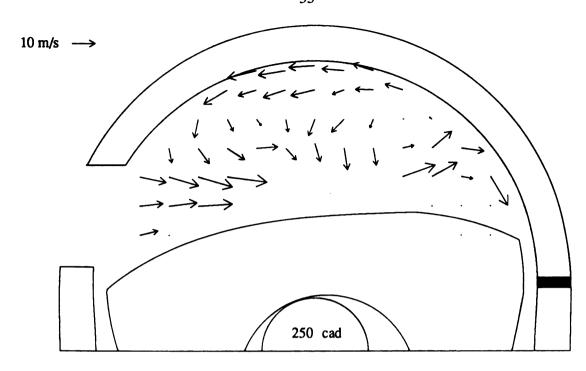


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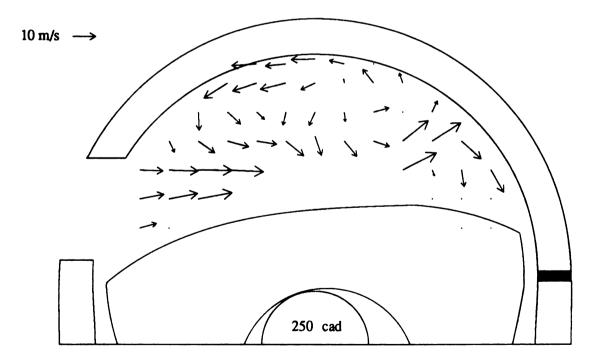


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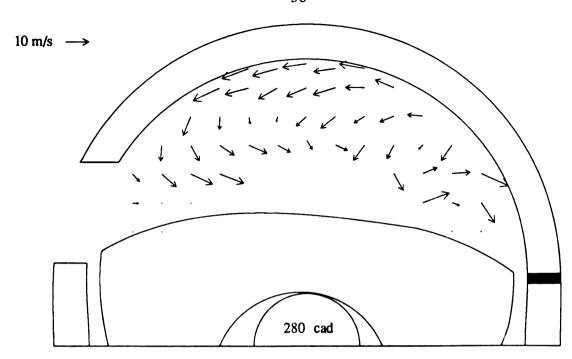


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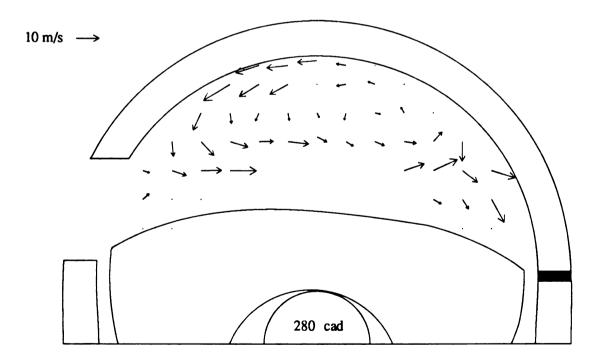


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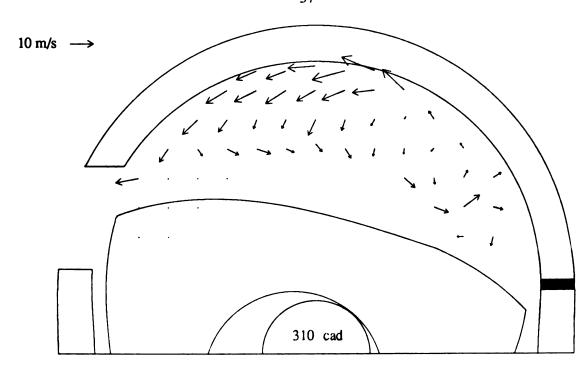


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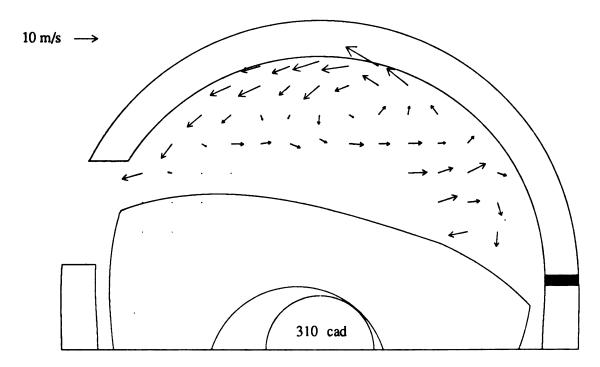


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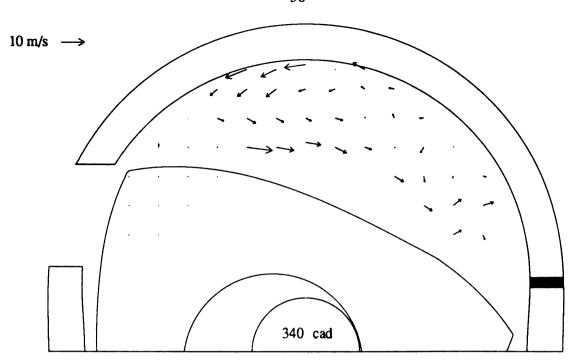


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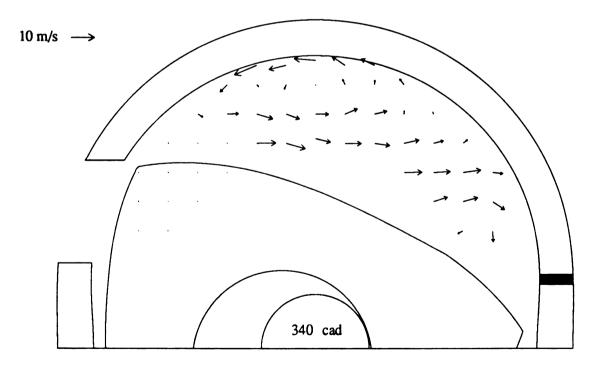


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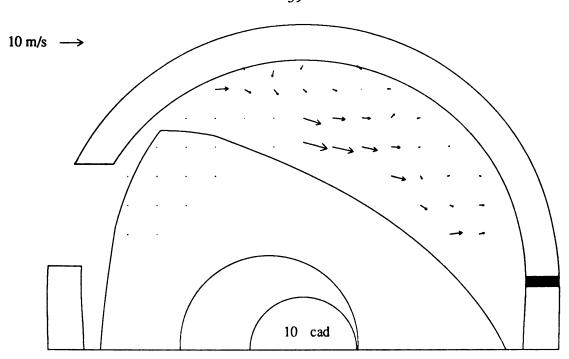


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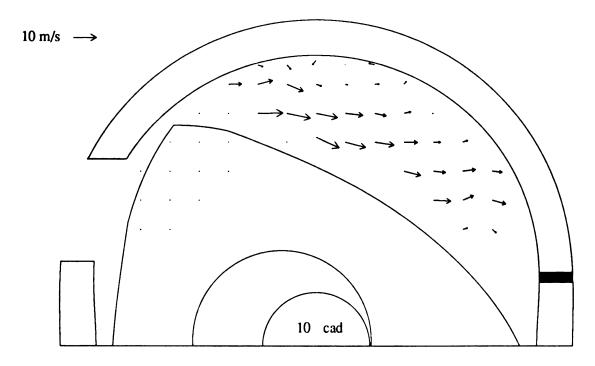


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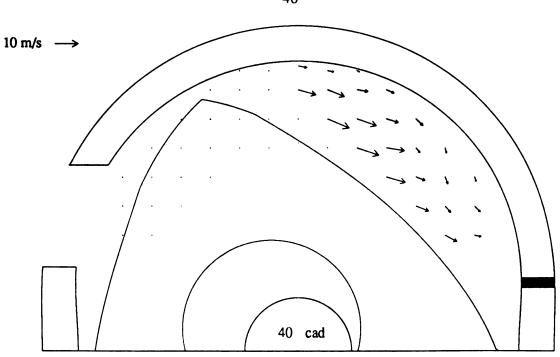


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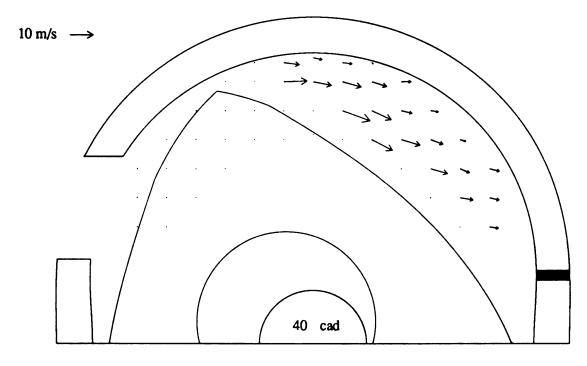


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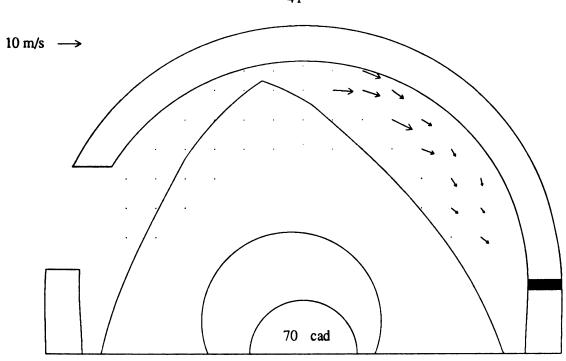


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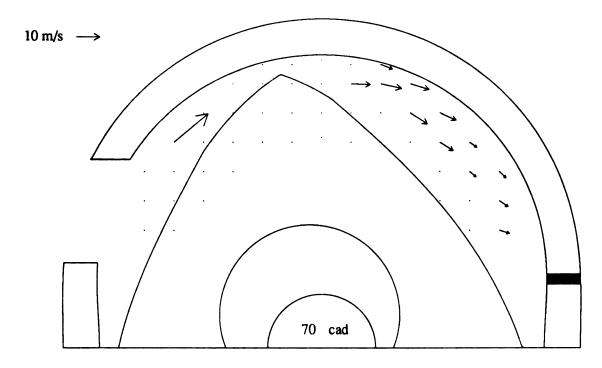


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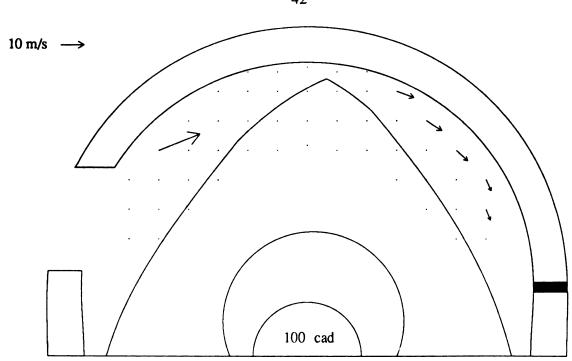


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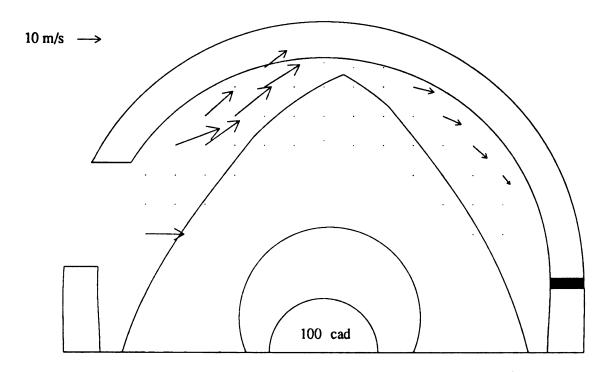


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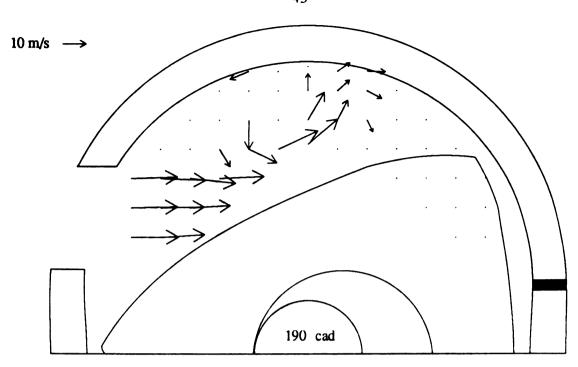


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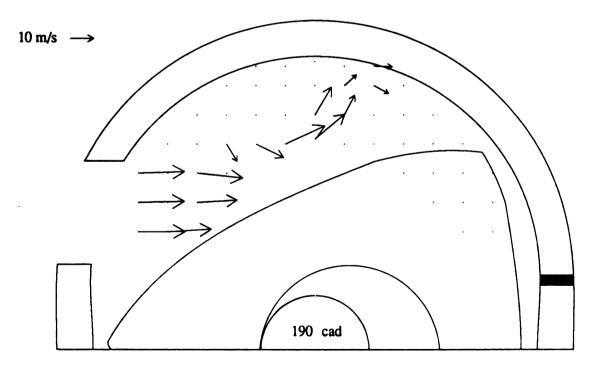


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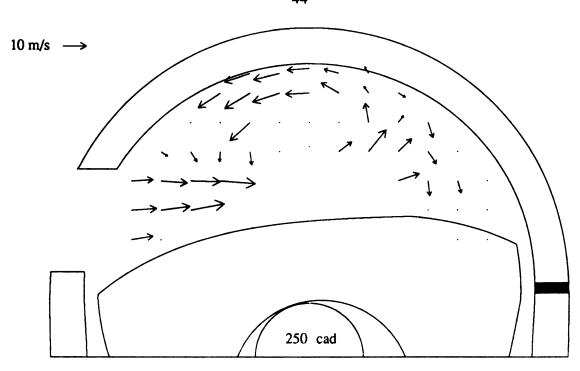


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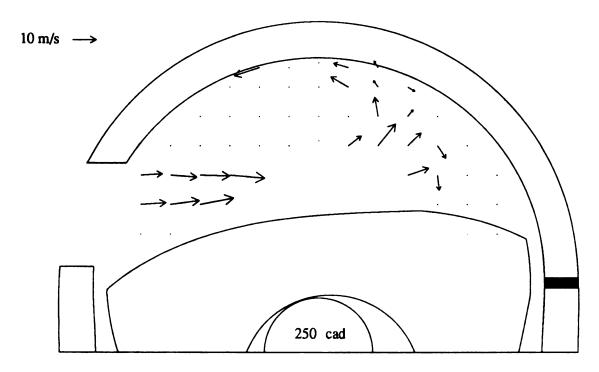


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Figure 9 Comparison of 30 and 50 Count Minimums



Symmetric Recess, No Compression - Mean Velocity 30 minimum



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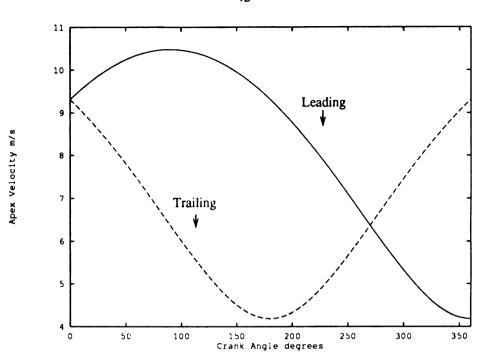


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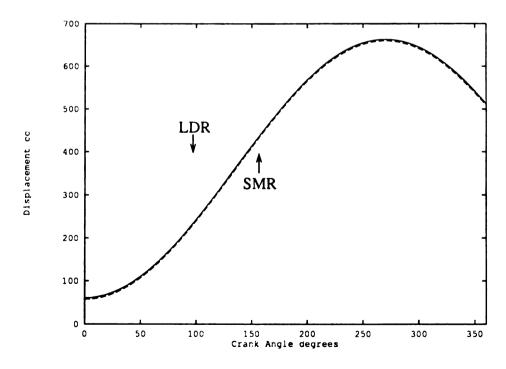
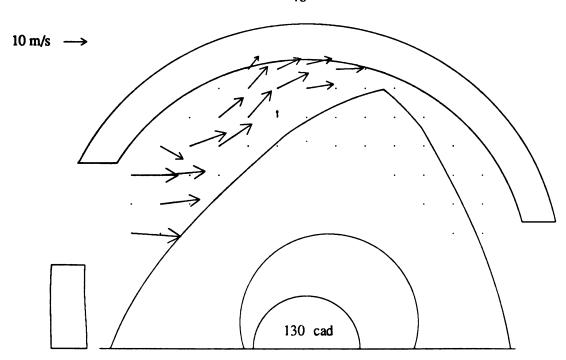


Figure 11 Volume of Working Chamber Versus Crank Angle



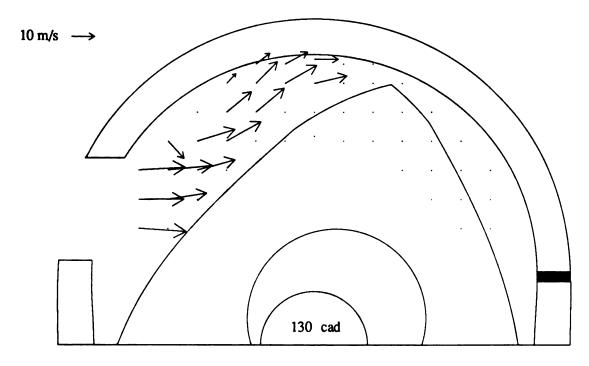
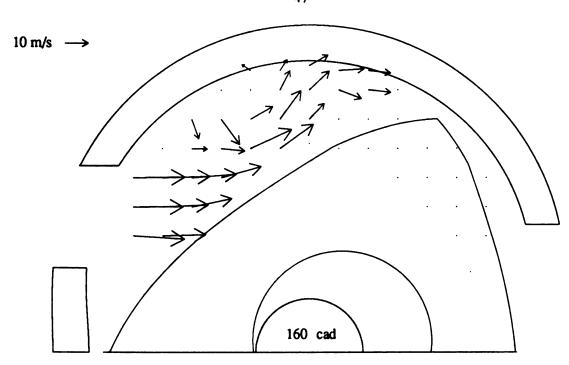


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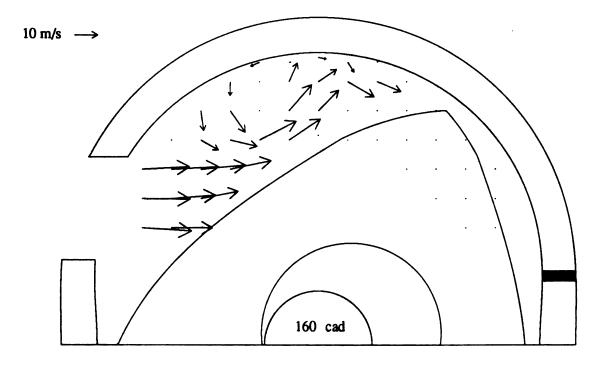
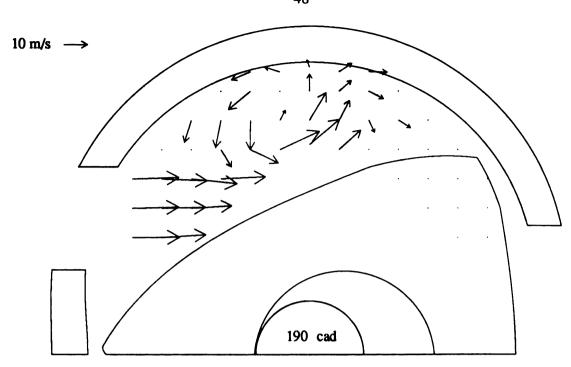


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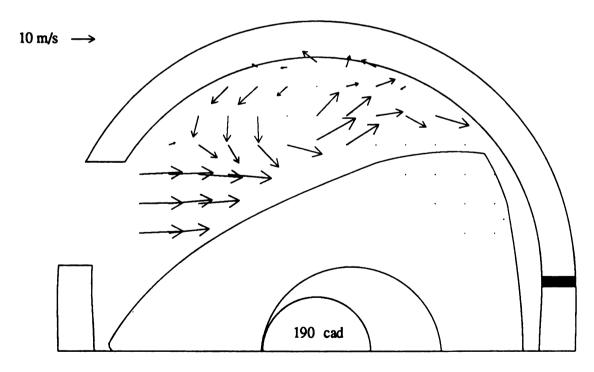
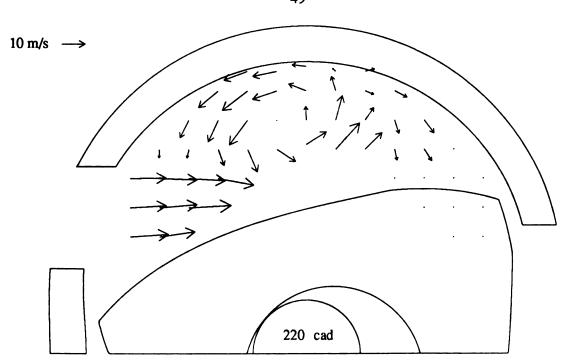


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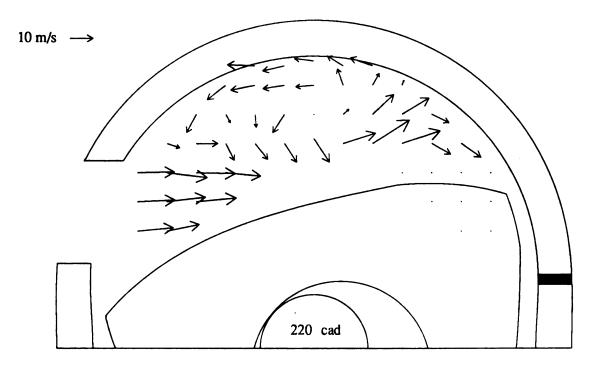
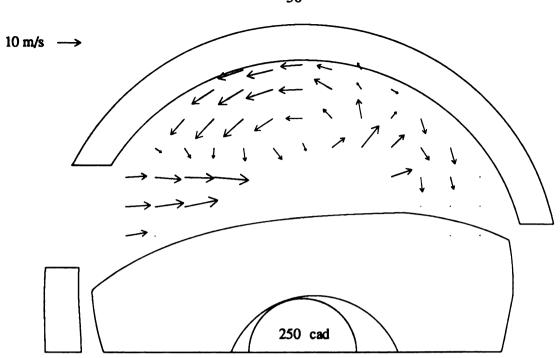


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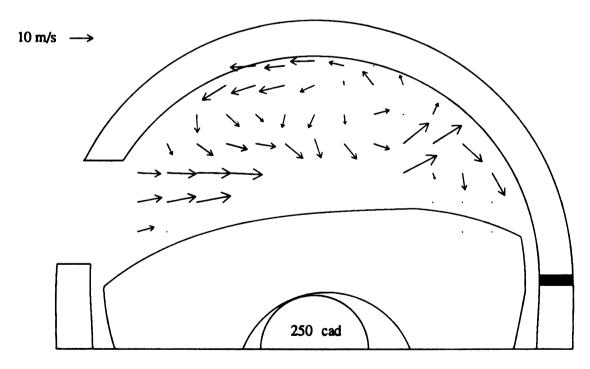
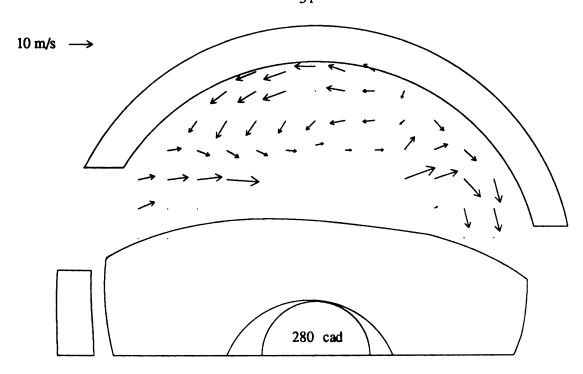


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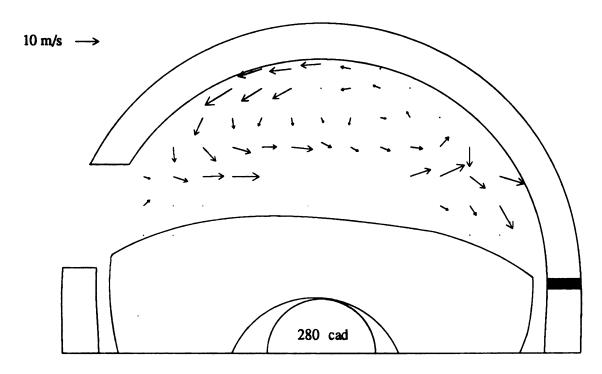
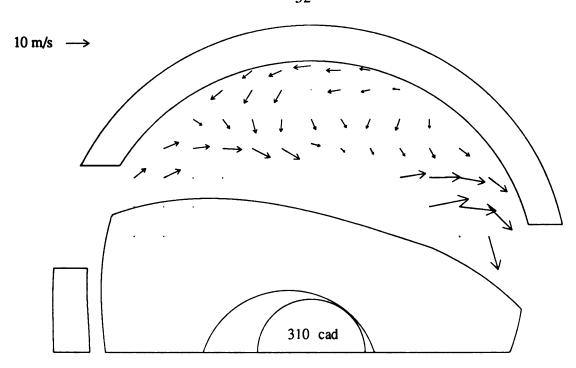


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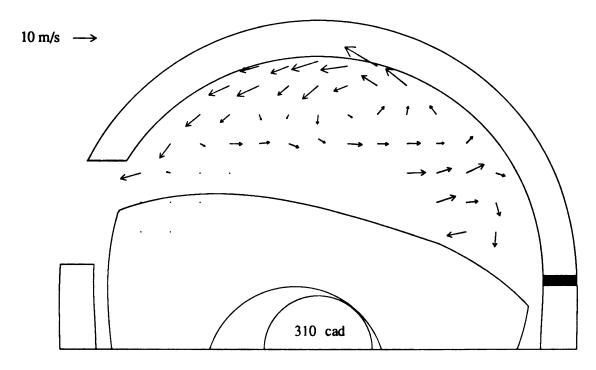
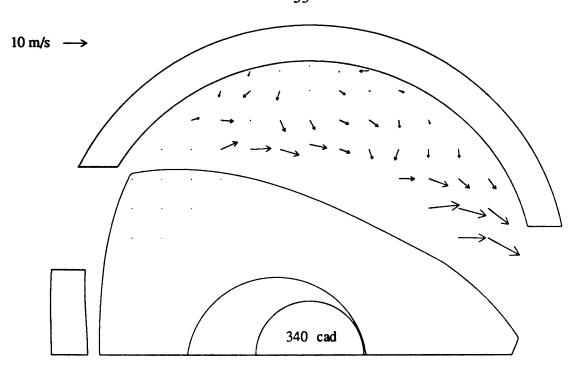


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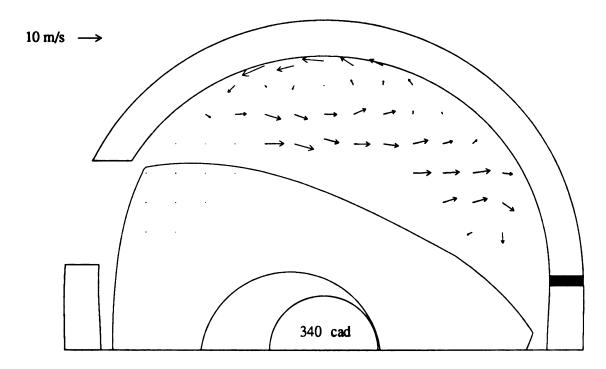
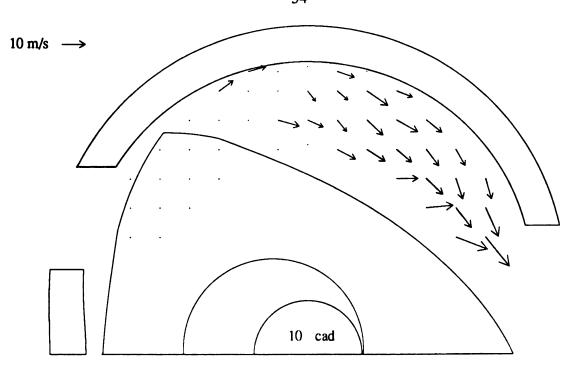


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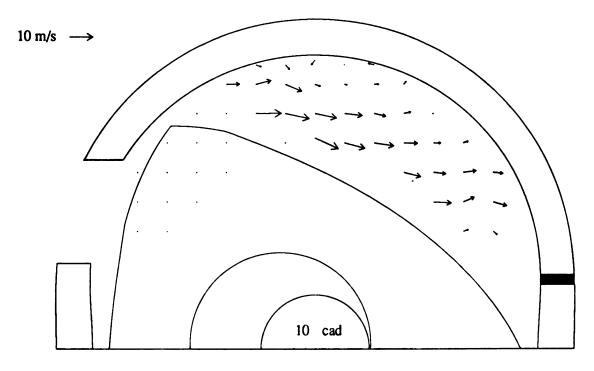
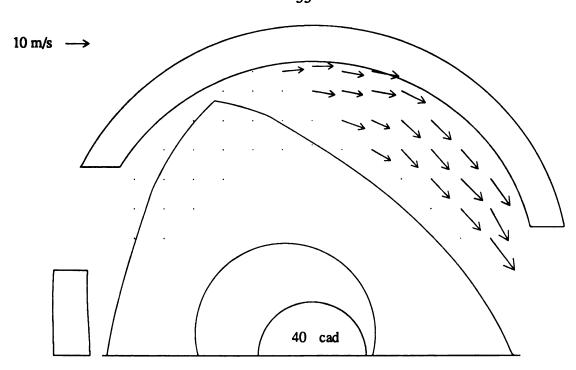


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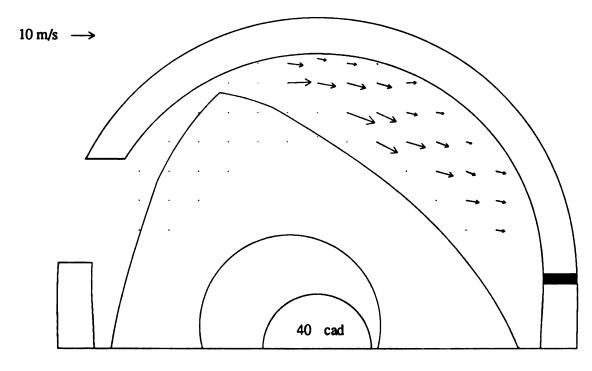
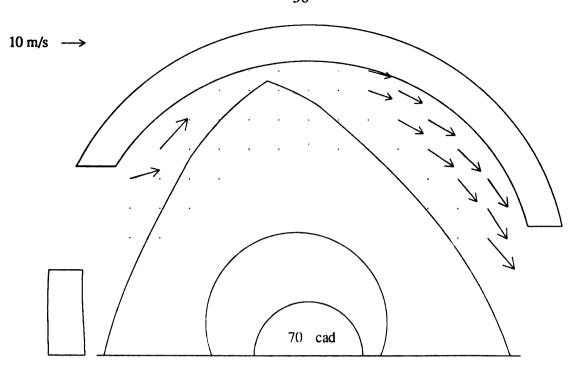
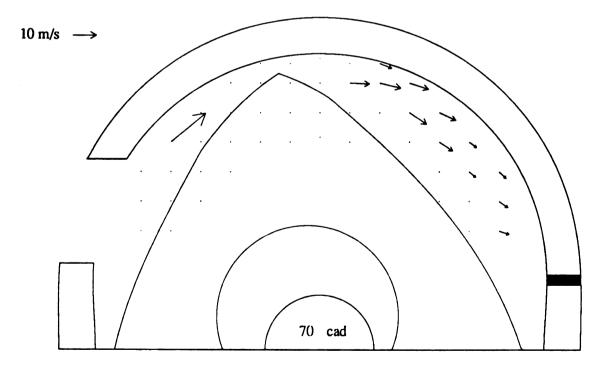


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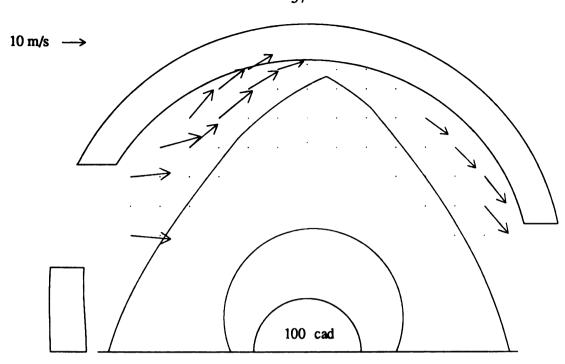


Symmetric Recess, No Compression - Mean Velocity



Symmetric Recess - Mean Velocity

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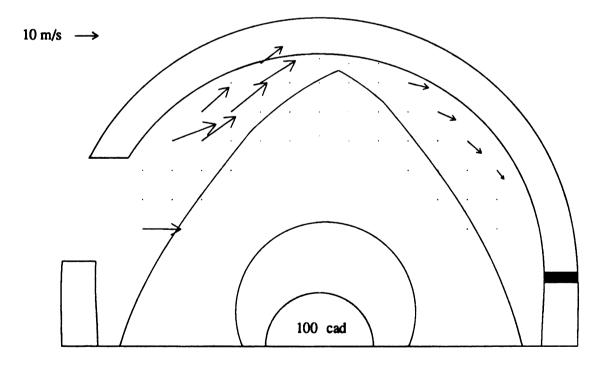
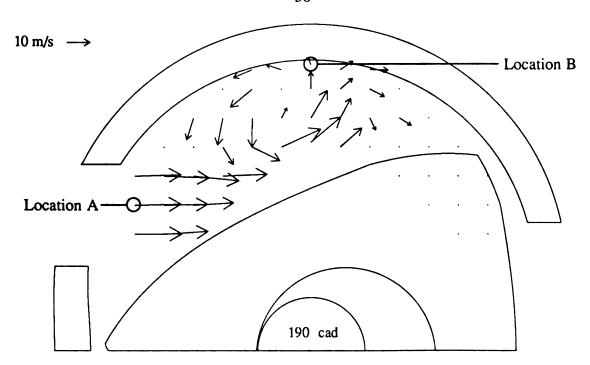


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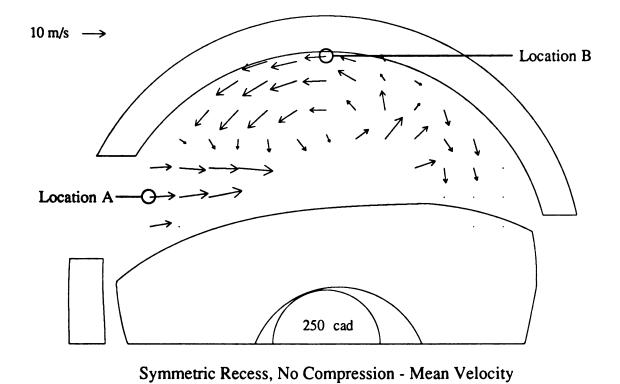
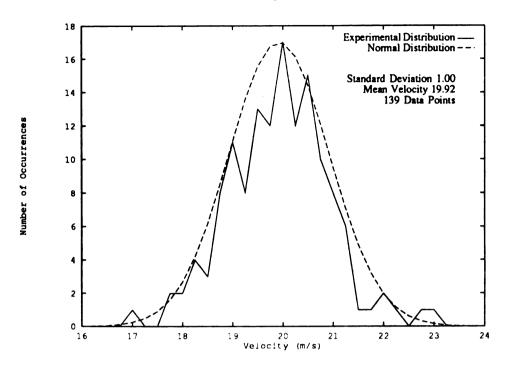
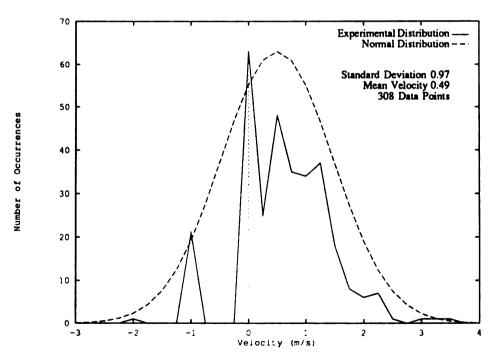


Figure 13 Locations and Crank Angles used for Figures 14 and 15

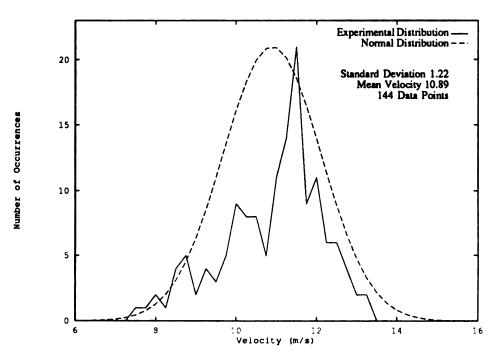


Normal Distribution and Experimental Data Distribution for Location A, 190 cad, U Velocity Component

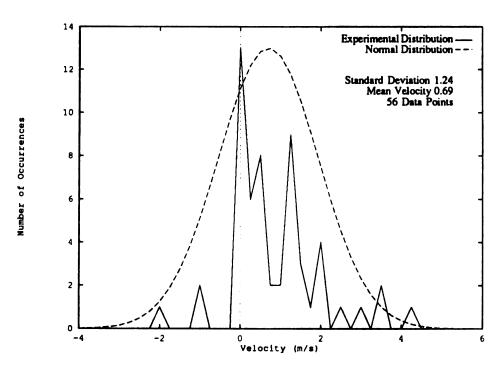


Normal Distribution and Experimental Data Distribution for Location A, 190 cad, V Velocity Component

Figure 14 Data Distributions for Location A

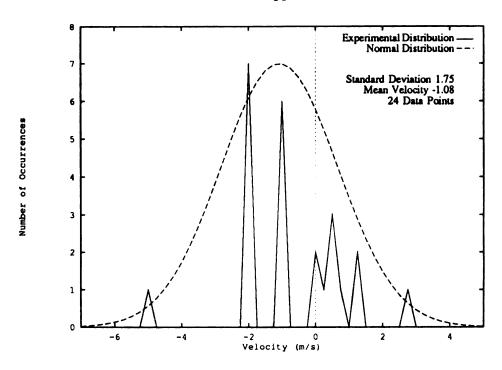


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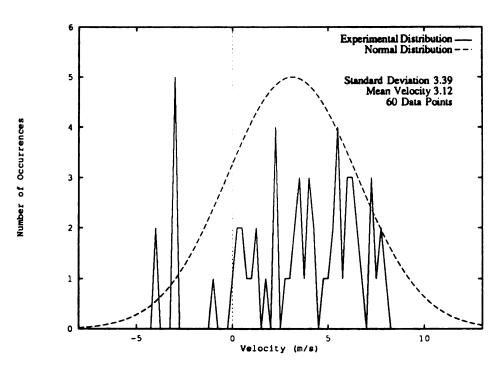


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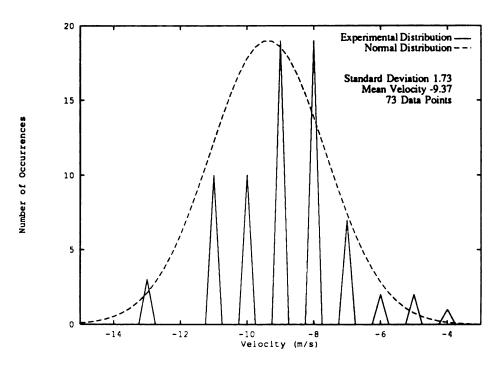


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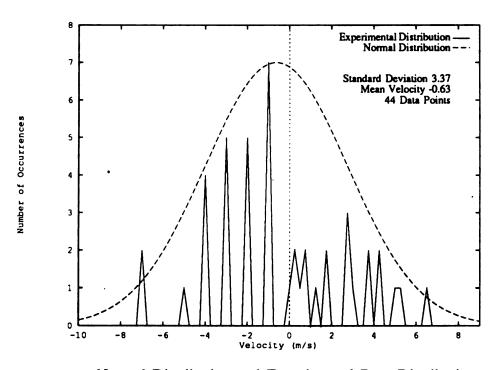


Normal Distribution and Experimental Data Distribution for Location B, 190 cad, V Velocity Component

Figure 15 Data Distributions for Location B



Normal Distribution and Experimental Data Distribution for Location B, 250 cad, U Velocity Component



Normal Distribution and Experimental Data Distribution for Location B, 250 cad, V Velocity Component

Figure 15 cont. Data Distributions for Location B

APPENDIX A RTOVEL Program

```
/*
    This program was developed to take TSI Phase ldv data
    output (the velocity files) and convert them into the
    appropriate data files for use with PVwave.
 *
    History:
 *
 *
 */
#include <stdio.h> #include <stdlib.h> #include <string.h>
#include <math.h> #define FN 2 #define FILES 50 #define MIN
(int) 15
/*****************
        This is the data file list for the inputs
***************
        char *filelist[] = { "mld b48u.v02", "mld b48v.v01",
        "mld b60u.v01", "mld b60v.v01",
        "mld b72u.v01", "mld b72v.v01",
        "mld c48u.v01", "mld c48v.v01",
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/**************
        The pattern for the Phase velocity files with
        the processor in random mode and tbd off is:
        for i=1, number of data points, increment by 1
               record(i) = address of procesor
                                                    2byte
int
               velocity from procesor
                                        4byte real
               1-15 cwords optional
                                        2byte int
               grouped in blocks of 3
                                        2byte int
               2byte int
               encoder angle
                                        2byte int
               cycle number
                                        2byte int
               window number
                                        2byte int
               dummy value -2
                                        2byte int
                                        4byte real
*********************
   struct table {
   int address;
   float velocity;
```

```
int angle;
    int cynumb;
    int winnumb;
    int dummy;
    float tau;
    };
    union {
    char record[18];
    struct table info;
    } mem;
intn,m,i,j,k,z,datapts,angle; inttheta[FN][361]; double
vxstd[FN] [361], vystd[FN] [361]; float
vmean[FN], xtempn, ytempn, vytotal[FN][361], vxsqrd[FN][361];
float
number[FN][361], vxtotal[FN][361], vysqrd[FN][361], remain;
floatvxmean[FN][361], vymean[FN][361], xmeansqrd, ymeansqrd;
floatxcoord[FN][361],ycoord[FN][361],zcoord[FN][361]; float
vxtrb[FN][361], vytrb[FN][361]; float
xtemp, ytemp, ztemp, check, velocity, vxsqmean, vysqmean; FILE
*vmeanf, *vstdf, *vtrbf, *infile; char
vmeanfn[20], vstdfn[20], vtrbfn[20], line[80], junk[6], compchar;
void main(void);
void main() {
/********************
       get input from user for output file names
************
printf(" You will now be asked to enter in the data
file\n"); printf(" names FILES WHICH ALREADY EXIST WITH THIS
NAME \n"); printf(" WILL BE OVER WRITTEN!! \n");
printf(" \n"); printf(" \n");
printf(" Enter the name of the mean velocity data file.\n");
printf(" \n"); scanf("%s", vmeanfn);
printf(" Enter the name of the STD velocity data file.
\n"); printf(" \n"); scanf("%s", vstdfn);
printf(" Enter the name of the TRB velocity data file.
\n"); printf(" \n"); scanf("%s", vtrbfn);
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```
/*****************
opening output files
***********
if ((vmeanf=fopen(vmeanfn, "w")) ==NULL) {
   printf("error opening %s\n", vmeanfn);
   exit(1);
if ((vstdf=fopen(vstdfn,"w")) ==NULL) {
   printf("error opening %s\n", vstdfn);
   exit(1);
if ((vtrbf=fopen(vtrbfn, "w")) == NULL) {
   printf("error opening %s\n", vtrbfn);
   exit(1);
printf(" output files opened\n");
/*****************
 Start loop to go through data files in sets of 2
 for this to work properly the data file list must
 be set up so that the u and v component data files
 for one location follow each other. eq.
      ldrcu a6.v01
      ldrcv a6.v01
      ldrcu b3.v01 .etc .....
***********************************
m = 0:
for (z = 0; z < (FILES*2); z = z+2) {
/******************
initialize data arrays to zero
******************************
xtempn = (float) 0.000;
ytempn = (float) 0.000;
      for (j=0; j<=360; j++) {
      theta[m][j] = j;
      xcoord[m][j] = (float)0;
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ycoord[m][j] = (float)0;
      number[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
      vxtotal[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
      vytotal[m][j] = (float)0.000;
      vxsqrd[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
      vysqrd[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
      vxtrb[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
      vytrb[m][j] = (float)0.000;
printf(" data arrays set to zero \n");
/*****************
Begin large for loop to shuffle pair of through
Phase velocity files.
***************
/ *
    n = 0; */
/*
    m = m+1; */
for (k=z; k < (FN+z); k++)
   { /********** open
Kth input file in char array filelist
******************
if ((infile = fopen(filelist[k],"rb")) == NULL) {
      printf("error opening %s \n", filelist[k]);
      exit (1);
/****** read header
of velocity file and check number of data points also get x
and y coordinates.
*************
printf("about to read header info\n");
/*********
read in # of data points
line #10 in phase header file
********
for (i=0;i<9;i++) {
      fgets(line, 80, infile);
      fscanf(infile, "%d", &datapts);
      printf("%d k = %d \n", datapts, k);
```

```
/*********
 read in x,y,z coordinates
 lines 79, 82 and 85 respectively
 The x,y,z coords. are the traverse
 table coords. When they are read in
 they are switched to graphical output
 coords. x in the header file is z on the
 graph, y is x and z is y.
*********
 for (i=0; i<69; i++) {
       fgets(line, 80, infile);
       fscanf(infile, "%f", &ztemp);
       printf("%f %d \n",ztemp,k);
       for (i=0; i<3; i++) {
       fgets(line, 80, infile);
       fscanf(infile, "%f", &xtemp);
       printf("%f %d \n", xtemp, k);
       xtemp = -xtemp;
       for (i=0; i<3; i++) {
       fgets(line, 80, infile);
       fscanf(infile,"%f",&ytemp);
       printf("%f %d \n", ytemp, k);
/***** read in which
velocity component is being read in. Line 88 in header file.
***********
for (i=0; i<3; i++) {
       fgets(line, 80, infile);
       fscanf (infile, "%c", &compchar);
       printf("%c %d \n",compchar,k);
       if ((compchar != 'u') && (compchar != 'v')) {
       printf(" \n");
       printf(" Undeclared or unrecognized velocity
component! \n");
       exit(1);
/***** read out the rest
of the header, Phase header has a total of 230 lines
*************
for (i=0; i<143; i++) {
```

```
fgets(line, 80, infile);
printf("header read for %s \n", filelist[k]);
/******* check to see
if one component has already been read in for this location,
if x,y = a previous x,y then one component has already been
read in. In this case the new x,y location will be given the
same counter as the matching previous so that the second
velocity component can be recorded at the same location.
   x y Vx Vy theta Prs instead of
   x y Vx 0 theta Prs and
   x y 0 Vy theta Prs
                   ******** / /*
   for (i=0; i <= n; i++) {
       if ((xtemp==xtempn)&&(ytemp==ytempn)) {
       m = i;
       }
       else {
       xtempn = xtemp;
       ytempn = ytemp;
       if (n != 0) {
               n = n + 1;
               m = n;
               }
               }
   }
  printf(" m = %d n = %d \n", m, n); */
   for (i=0; i <= 360; i++) {
   number[m][i] = (float) 0.0000;
   }
/****** read through
file - sum velocities -
   count the number of entries, calculate
  mean velocity and sum of the squares
***************
   for (i=0;i<(datapts*1000);i++) {
       fread (mem.record, 1, 18, infile);
       angle = (int) (mem.info.angle*360.0/2048.0);
       remain = (float)
fmod((double) (mem.info.angle*360.0), (double) (2048.0));
       if (remain > (float)0.5) {
       angle = angle + 1;
       }
```

```
theta[m][angle] = angle;
       xcoord[m][angle] = (xtemp*0.00351783) + 0.500;
       ycoord[m][angle] = (ytemp*0.00349493) + 0.500;
       number[m][angle] = number[m][angle] + 1.000;
/***** from u components
********
if (compchar == 'u') {
       vxtotal[m][angle] = vxtotal[m][angle] +
mem.info.velocity;
vxsqrd[m] [angle] = vxsqrd[m] [angle] + ((mem.info.velocity) * (mem.i
nfo.velocity));
       }
       if (compchar == 'v') {
       vytotal[m][angle] = vytotal[m][angle] +
mem.info.velocity;
vysqrd[m] [angle] = vysqrd[m] [angle] + ((mem.info.velocity) * (mem.i
nfo.velocity));
       }
       } /* this line is the end of the loop for reading
in data */
fclose(infile);
/***** check for division
by zero and inform user of zero detection
************
  for(i=0;i<=360;i++) {
  check = check + number[m][i];
  xcoord[m][i] = (xtemp*0.00351783) + 0.500;
  ycoord[m][i] = (ytemp*0.00349493) + 0.500;
  if (check<=(float)0.0) {</pre>
   printf("No data points were recorded for %s
\n",filelist[k]);
   exit (1);
   }
and
std of the velocity
  Equation for standard deviation taken from EIT Reference
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Equation for standard deviation taken from EIT Reference Manual

7th edition, by Michael R. Lindeburg, Professional

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Publications,
   INC. Belmont CA 1990
                            page 11-10
   std = square root of the sum of the squares divided by
   the number of measurements minus the mean squred
***********
if (compchar == 'u') {
  for (i=0;i<=360;i++) {
   if ((int) number[m][i] < MIN ) {</pre>
        vxmean[m][i] = (float)0.0000;
        }
    else {
    vxmean[m][i] = (vxtotal[m][i])/(number[m][i]);
    }
  for (i=0;i<=360;i++) {
    if ((int)number[m][i] > MIN) {
    vxsqmean = vxsqrd[m][i]/number[m][i];
    xmeansqrd = vxmean[m][i]*vxmean[m][i];
    }
    else {
        vxsqmean = (float) 0.000;
        xmeansqrd = (float) 0.000;
        }
        if ((vxsqmean-xmeansqrd) <= (float) 0.000)</pre>
        vxstd[m][i] = (double) 0.0;
        }
        else {
        vxstd[m][i] = sqrt(vxsqmean-xmeansqrd);
        }
  for (i=0; i<=360; i++) {
    if ((float) vxmean[m][i] == (float) 0.000)
        vxtrb[m][i] = (float) 0.000;
        }
        else {
        vxtrb[m][i] =
((float)vxstd[m][i]*100.00)/vxmean[m][i];
    } } /* end of if loop for u component */
if (compchar == 'v') {
  for (i=0; i<=360; i++) {
   if ((int)number[m][i] > MIN ) {
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vymean[m][i] = (vytotal[m][i])/(number[m][i]);
   else {
    vymean[m][i] = (float) 0.000;
  for (i=0;i<=360;i++) {
    if ((int)number[m][i] > MIN) {
    vysqmean = vysqrd[m][i]/number[m][i];
    ymeansqrd = vymean[m][i]*vymean[m][i];
    }
    else {
        vysqmean = (float)0.000;
        ymeansqrd = (float) 0.000;
        if ((vysqmean-ymeansqrd)<(float)0.000)</pre>
        vystd[m][i] = (double) 0.0;
        else {
        vystd[m][i] = sqrt(vysqmean-ymeansqrd);
    }
  for (i=0; i<=360; i++) {
    if ((float) vymean[m][i] == (float) 0.000)
        vytrb[m][i] = (float)0.000;
        }
        else {
        vytrb[m][i] =
((float)vystd[m][i] *100.00)/vymean[m][i];
        }
      /* end of if loop for v component */
              ************ close for loop for shuffling
through data files **************/
}
printf(" data file loop closed \n");
   for (j=0; j<=360; j++) {
   if ((vxmean[m][j] == (float)0.000) || (vymean[m][j] ==
(float) 0.000)) {
   vxmean[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
   vymean[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
```

```
}
   if ((vxstd[m][j] == (double)0.000) || (vystd[m][j] ==
(double) 0.000)) {
  vxstd[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
  vystd[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
   if ((vxtrb[m][j] == (float)0.000) || (vytrb[m][j] ==
(float) 0.000)) {
  vxtrb[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
   vytrb[m][j] = (float) 0.000;
   }
   printf("means, stds and trbs calculated.\n");
    for (j=0; j<=360; j++) {
    for (i=0;i<=m;i++) {
        fprintf(vmeanf, "%f %f %f %f %d \n", xcoord[i][j],
        ycoord[i][j], vxmean[i][j], vymean[i][j], theta[i][j]);
        fprintf(vstdf, "%f %f %f %f %d \n", xcoord[i][j],
        ycoord[i][j], vxstd[i][j], vystd[i][j], theta[i][j]);
        fprintf(vtrbf, "%f %f %f %f %d \n", xcoord[i][j],
        ycoord[i][j], vxtrb[i][j], vytrb[i][j], theta[i][j]);
   fflush (vmeanf);
   fflush(vstdf);
   fflush(vtrbf);
loop for shuffling through data files
***************
    fclose(vmeanf);
    fclose(vstdf);
    fclose(vtrbf); }
```

APPENDIX B ROTOR_DOUBLE Program

```
;
                           ROTOR DOUBLE IMAGE ***
          Developed by: Mark Novak and Mike DeFilippis
points = 51
stdeg = 0
endeg = 360
rellen = 15
xpixst = 65
ypixst = 42
   *** for sun output ***
set plot, 'sun'
window, 0, xsize = 640, ysize = 600
rotormovie = bytarr(512,512,20)
!order = 0
angle = intarr(361)
xpos = fltarr(points, 361)
ypos = fltarr(points, 361)
vx = fltarr(points, 361)
vy = fltarr(points, 361)
vel = fltarr(points, 361)
degr = fltarr(points, 361)
x = fltarr(points)
y = fltarr(points)
; read in velocity position and calculate vector length data
openr, 15, 'nasa50.vel'
for p = 0, points-2 do begin
 for i = 0, 360 do begin
  readf, 15, tempxpos, tempypos, tempvx, tempvy, tempdeg
 xpos(p,i) = tempxpos
 ypos(p,i) = tempypos - 0.5
 vx(p,i) = tempvx
 vy(p,i) = tempvy
 degr(p,i) = tempdeg
 vel(p,i) = ((vx(p,i)^2) + (vy(p,i)^2))^5.5
```

```
endfor
endfor
close, 15
angle2 = intarr(361)
xpos2 = fltarr(50, 361)
ypos2 = fltarr(50, 361)
vx2 = fltarr(50, 361)
vy2 = fltarr(50, 361)
vel2 = fltarr(50, 361)
degr2 = fltarr(50, 361)
x2 = fltarr(50)
y2 = fltarr(50)
; read in velocity position and calculate vector length data
openr, 45, 'final.vel'
for p = 0, points-2 do begin
 for i = 0, 360 do begin
  readf, 45, tempxpos, tempypos, tempvx, tempvy, tempdeg
  xpos2(p,i) = tempxpos
  ypos2(p,i) = tempypos -0.07
  vx2(p,i) = tempvx
  vy2(p,i) = tempvy
  degr2(p,i) = tempdeg
  vel2(p,i) = ((vx(p,i)^2) + (vy(p,i)^2))^2.5
 endfor
endfor
close, 45
; This routine automatically adds the key vector to the end
; of each array controlling the vector arrows, at (xpos,
;ypos), and equalling 10 m/s, and xyouts' coordinates
;control the placement of the "10 m/s" velocity key script
;placement
xpos(points-1,*) = 0.245
ypos(points-1,*) = 0.445
vx(points-1,*) = 10
vy(points-1,*) = 0
vel(points-1,*) = 10
     create top rotor image
;
c = 0 for cr ang = stdeg, endeg do begin
  crang = cr ang - stdeg
```

```
*** housing ***
t3d, /reset & house double
   *** rotor rotation ***
rot ang = cr ang / 3
ca rad = (cr ang*3.1415927)/180
t3d, /reset, tr=[-.44984,-0.43,0], rot=[0,0,-rot ang]
t3d, tr=[.44984,0.43,0]
ecc = .050162
dy = ecc*(sin(ca rad))
dx = ecc - ecc*(cos(ca rad))
t3d, tr=[dx,dy,0] & rotor2 double
t3d, /reset, tr=[-0.5,-0.43,0], rot=[0,0,-cr ang]
t3d, tr=[0.5,0.43,0] & rotor1 double
t3d, /reset
   *** velocity vectors ***
for j = 0, 49 do begin
 shaftrat = vel2(j,cr ang) / rellen
 ;Create "points" # of vector shafts with their relative
;lengths
           controlled by "rellen"
 ;
 shaftlen = shaftrat * .05
 theta = atan(vy2(j, cr ang), vx2(j, cr ang))
 dxvel = shaftlen * (cos(theta))
 dyvel = shaftlen * (sin(theta))
 xshaft = xpos2(j, cr ang) + dxvel
 yshaft = ypos2(j,cr ang) + dyvel
 x2 = [(xpos2(j,cr ang)),(xshaft)]
 y2 = [(ypos2(j,cr ang)),(yshaft)]
 shaft = [indgen(2), 0]
 plots, x2(shaft), y2(shaft), /normal
       Create the vector arrow heads
 headlen = shaftlen * .3
 beta = theta - .5236
 alpha = theta - 1.0472
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```
dxheadl = headlen * (cos(beta))
 dyheadl = headlen * (sin(beta))
 dxheadr = headlen * (sin(alpha))
 dyheadr = headlen * (cos(alpha))
 xheadl = xpos2(j, cr ang) + dxvel - dxheadl
 yheadl = ypos2(j,cr ang) + dyvel - dyheadl
 xheadr = xpos2(j, cr ang) + dxvel + dxheadr
 yheadr = ypos2(j,cr ang) + dyvel - dyheadr
 xhead = [(xheadl), (xshaft), (xheadr)]
 yhead = [(yheadl), (yshaft), (yheadr)]
 head = [indgen(3)]
 plots, xhead(head), yhead(head), /normal
endfor
;
xbox = [0, 1.0, 1.0, 0]
ybox = [0.495, 0.495, 0.2, 0.2]
polyfill, xbox, ybox, color=0, /normal
xline = [0.1316, 0.868]
yline = [0.495, 0.495]
sep = [indgen(2)]
plots, xline(sep), yline(sep), /normal
;
   create bottom rotor image
; *** housing ***
t3d, /reset & house
   *** rotor rotation ***
;
rot ang = cr ang / 3
ca rad = (cr ang*3.1415927)/180
t3d, /reset, tr=[-.44984,0,0], rot=[0,0,-rot ang]
t3d, tr=[.44984,0,0]
ecc = .050162
dy = ecc*(sin(ca rad))
dx = ecc - ecc*(cos(ca rad))
t3d, tr=[dx,dy,0] & rotor2
t3d, /reset, tr=[-.5,0,0], rot=[0,0,-cr ang]
t3d, tr=[.5,0,0] & rotor1
t3d, /reset
  *** velocity vectors ***
;
```

```
for j = 0, points-1 do begin
 shaftrat = vel(j,cr ang) / rellen
        Create "points" # of vector shafts with their
; relative lengths controlled by "rellen"
 shaftlen = shaftrat * .05
 theta = atan(vy(j,cr ang),vx(j,cr_ang))
 dxvel = shaftlen * (cos(theta))
 dyvel = shaftlen * (sin(theta))
 xshaft = xpos(j, cr ang) + dxvel
 yshaft = ypos(j,cr ang) + dyvel
 x = [(xpos(j,cr ang)),(xshaft)]
 y = [(ypos(j,cr ang)),(yshaft)]
 x = [(xpos(j,cr ang)),(xpos(j,cr ang))]
 y = [(ypos(j,cr ang)), (ypos(j,cr ang))]
 shaft = [indgen(2), 0]
 plots, x(shaft), y(shaft), /normal
       Create the vector arrow heads
 headlen = shaftlen * .3
 beta = theta - .5236
 alpha = theta - 1.0472
 dxheadl = headlen * (cos(beta))
 dyheadl = headlen * (sin(beta))
 dxheadr = headlen * (sin(alpha))
 dyheadr = headlen * (cos(alpha))
 xheadl = xpos(j,cr ang) + dxvel - dxheadl
 yheadl = ypos(j,cr ang) + dyvel - dyheadl
 xheadr = xpos(j, cr ang) + dxvel + dxheadr
 yheadr = ypos(j,cr_ang) + dyvel - dyheadr
 xhead = [(xheadl), (xshaft), (xheadr)]
 yhead = [(yheadl), (yshaft), (yheadr)]
 head = [indgen(3)]
 plots, xhead(head), yhead(head), /normal
 polyfill, xhead(head), yhead(head), /normal
endfor
xyouts, 0.195, 0.4, 'cad', /normal
xyouts, 0.07, 0.4, cr ang, /normal
xyouts, 0.135, 0.44, '10 m/s', /normal
xyouts, 0.75, 0.83, 'LDR', /normal
```

```
xyouts, 0.75, 0.4, 'SMR', /normal
wait,0.01
rotormovie(*,*,0) = tvrd(xpixst,ypixst,512,512);
tiffile = string(cr_ang);
tiffile = 'LDR' + tiffile + '.tif'
;
tiffile = strcompress(tiffile, /remove_all);
tiff_write, tiffile, rotormovie(*,*,0);
spawn, 'mv *.tif /usr3/novak/test/'
erase endfor end
```

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