

Wind power

... energy of any particle is equal to one ha
square of its velocity, or $\frac{1}{2} mV^2$. The amount
ime, through an area A , with velocity V , is $A \cdot V$, a
to its volume multiplied by its density ρ of air, o

$$m = \rho AV$$

of air transversing the area A swept by the ro
mill type generator).

ing this value of the mass in the expression fo
we obtain, kinetic energy = $\frac{1}{2} \rho AV \cdot V^2$ watts

$$= \frac{1}{2} \rho AV^3 \text{ watts}$$

eter D in horizontal axis aeroturbines, then $A = \frac{\pi}{4} D^2$, (sq. π
when put in equation (6.2.2) gives,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Available wind power } P_a &= \frac{1}{2} \rho \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 V^3 \text{ watts} \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \rho \pi D^2 V^3 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(6.3)$$

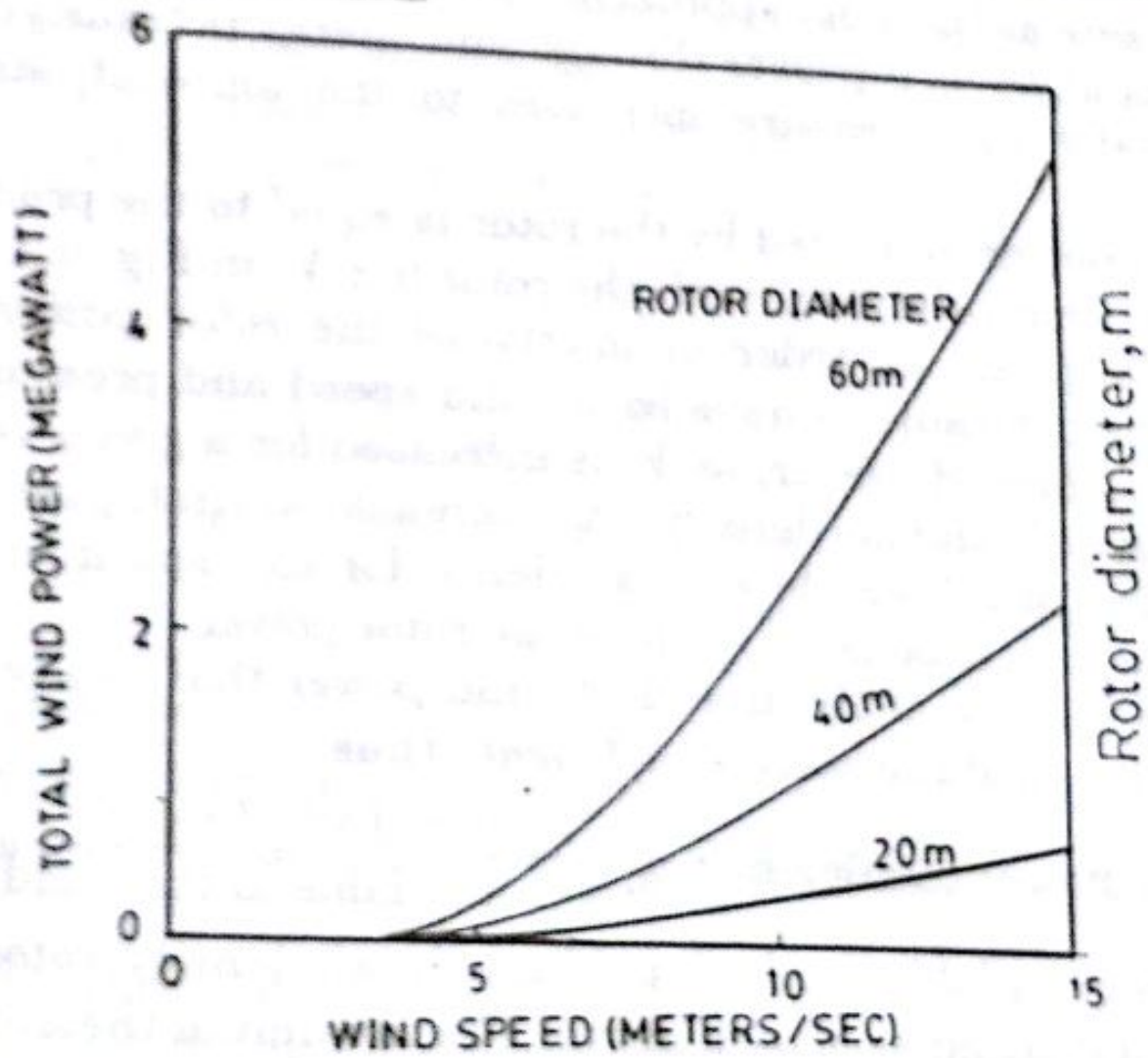


Fig. 6.2.1. Dependence of wind-rotor power on wind speed and rotor diameter.

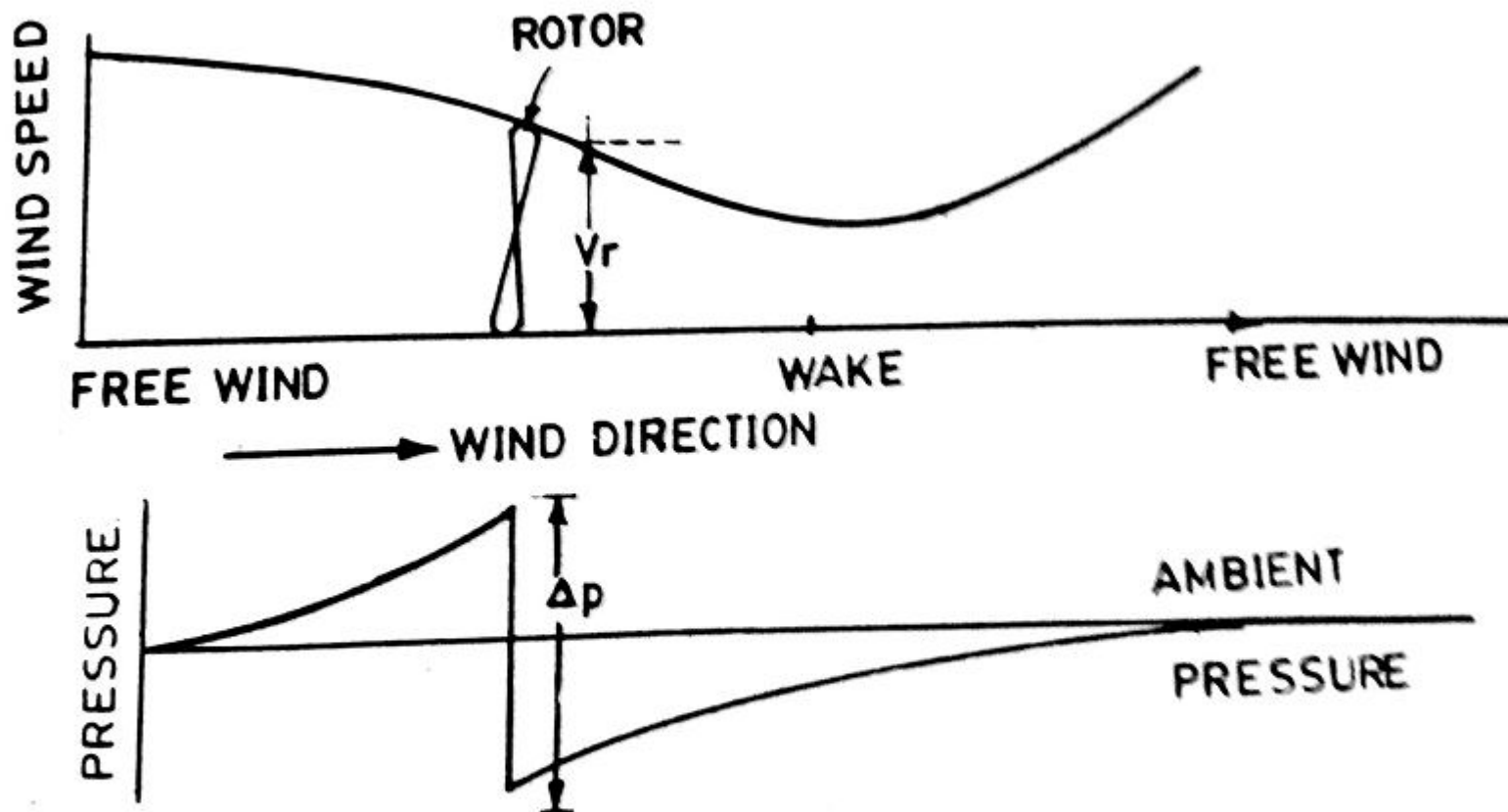


Fig. 6.2.2. Conditions in traversing a wind rotor.

The fraction of the free-flow wind power that is captured by the rotor is called the *power-coefficient*; thus

$$\text{Power coefficient} = \frac{\text{Power of wind rotor}}{\text{Power available in the wind}}$$

Power available is calculated from the air density, rotor diameter

Maximum power

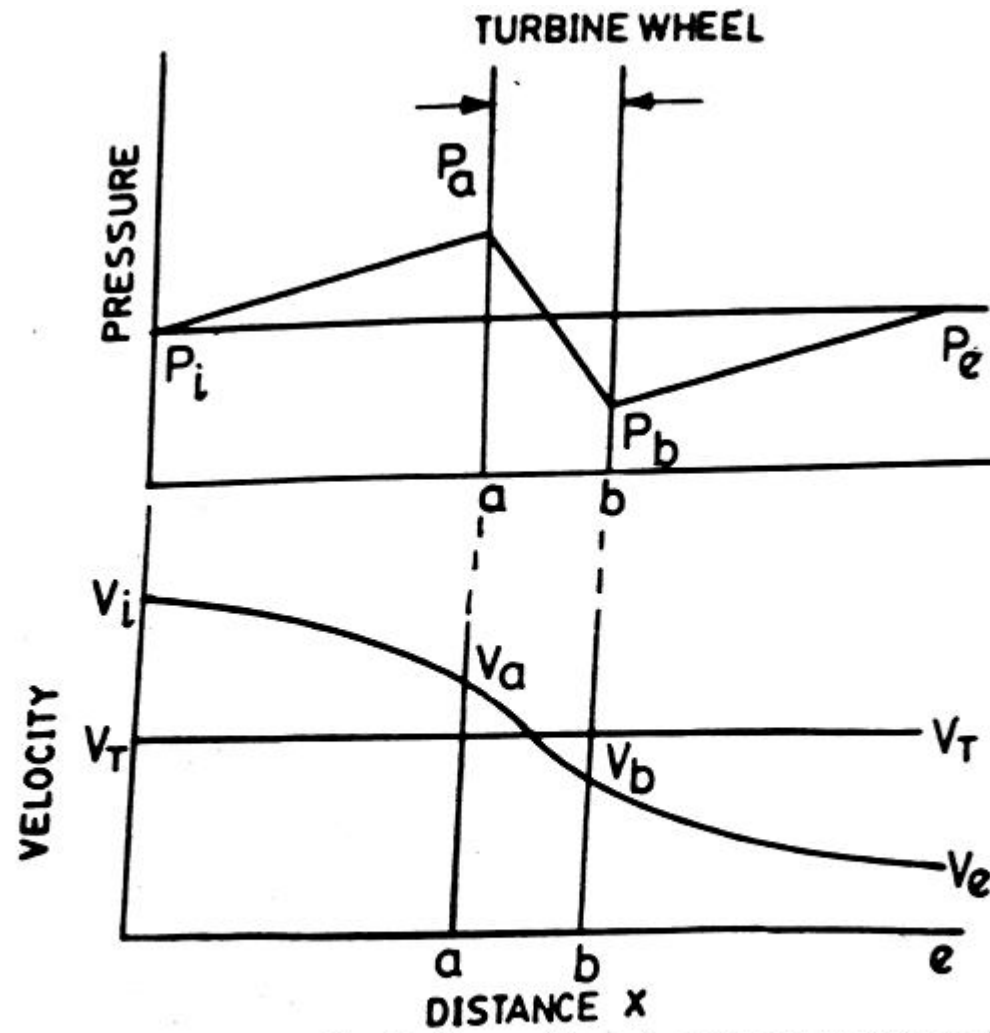


Fig. 6.2.3. Pressure and velocity profiles of wind moving through a horizontal-axis propeller-type wind turbine.

— — — — — **for steady flow mechanical work**

$$P_i + \rho \frac{V_i^2}{2g_c} = P_a + \rho \frac{V_a^2}{2g_c}$$

Similarly for the exit region be,

$$P_e + \rho \frac{V_e^2}{2g_c} = P_b + \rho \frac{V_b^2}{2g_c}$$

$$P_a - P_b = \left(P_i + \rho \frac{V_i^2 - V_a^2}{2g_c} \right) - \left(P_e + \rho \frac{V_e^2 - V_b^2}{2g_c} \right) \quad \dots(6.2.9)$$

It can be assumed that wind pressure at e can be assumed to ambient, *i.e.*,

$$P_e = P_i \quad \dots(6.2.10)$$

As the blade width $a . b$ is very thin as compared to total distance considered, it can be assumed that velocity within the turbine does not change much.

$$V_a \simeq V_t \simeq V_b \quad \dots(6.2.11)$$

Combining equation (6.2.9) to (6.2.11) yields,

$$P_a - P_b = \rho \left(\frac{V_i^2 - V_e^2}{2g_c} \right) \quad \dots(6.2.12)$$

The axial force F_x , in the direction of wind stream, on a turbine wheel with projected area, perpendicular to the stream A , is given by

$$F_x = (P_a - P_b)A = \rho A \left(\frac{V_i^2 - V_e^2}{2g_c} \right) \quad \dots(6.2.13)$$

This force is also equal to change in momentum of the wind (from Newton's second law).

$$F_x = \Delta(\dot{m}V)/g_c$$

where \dot{m} = mass flow rate = ρAV_t

$$\text{Thus} \quad F_x = \frac{1}{g_c} \rho AV_t (V_i - V_e) \quad \dots(6.2.14)$$

Equating equations (6.2.13) and (6.2.14),

$$\rho A \frac{(V_i^2 - V_e^2)}{2g_c} = \frac{1}{g_c} \rho AV_t (V_i - V_e)$$

$$V_t = \frac{1}{2} (V_i + V_e)$$

from T_i to T_e , and flow energy change is there from $P_i v$ to $P_e v$. In the system no heat is added or rejected *i.e.* adiabatic flow. The general energy equation now reduces to the steady flow work W and kinetic energy terms,

$$W = kE_i - kE_e = \frac{V_i^2 - V_e^2}{2g_c} \quad \dots(6.2.16)$$

The power P is defined as the rate of work, from mass flow rate equation

$$P = m \frac{V_i^2 - V_e^2}{2g_c} = \frac{1}{2g_c} \rho A V_t (V_i^2 - V_e^2) \quad \dots(6.2.17)$$

Combining this with equation (6.2.15),

$$P = \frac{1}{4g_c} \rho A (V_i + V_e)(V_i^2 - V_e^2) \quad \dots(6.2.18)$$

Equation (6.2.17) reverts to equation (6.2.2) for P_{total} when $V_t = V$

...ing i , and equating the derivative to zero i.e. ... obtained by

$$\frac{dp}{dV_e} = 0$$

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$$\frac{dp}{dV_e} = 3V_e^2 + 2V_iV_e - V_i^2 = 0$$

This is solved for a positive V_e to give V_e opt. (The quadric has two solutions, i.e. $V_e = V_i$ and $V_e = \frac{1}{3} V_i$, only second solution is physically acceptable).

Thus
$$V_e \text{ opt} = \frac{1}{3} V_i \quad \dots(6.2.19)$$

Using the equation (6.2.18), for an ideal wind machine, with horizontal axis,

$$P_{max} = \frac{8}{27g_c} \rho A V_i^3 \quad \dots(6.2.20 a)$$

$$= \frac{16}{27g_e} \frac{1}{2} \rho A V_i^3 = 0.593 \left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\rho V_i^3 A}{g_c} \right)$$

$$= 0.595 P_{total}$$

...(6.2.20 b)

6.2.3. Forces on the Blades and Thrust on Turbines

As stated earlier, here blades of propeller-type wind turbine is considered. There are two types of forces which are acting on the blades. One is *circumferential force* acting in the direction of wheel rotation that provides the torque and other is the *axial force* acting in the direction of the wind stream that provides an *axial thrust* that must be counteracted by proper mechanical design.

The *Circumferential force*, or torque T can be obtained from

$$T = \frac{P}{\omega} = \frac{P}{\pi DN} \quad \dots(6.2.21)$$

where

T = torque *kgf* or *Newton (N)*

ω = angular velocity of turbine wheel, *m/s*

D = diameter of turbine wheel

$$= \sqrt{\frac{4}{\pi}} \cdot A, \text{ m}$$

N = wheel revolutions per unit time, s^{-1}

\therefore The real efficiency $\eta = \frac{P}{P_{total}}$

or
$$P = \eta \cdot P_{total} = \eta \cdot \frac{1}{2g_c} \rho A V_i^3$$

For a turbine operating at power P , the expression for torque becomes

$$T = \eta \frac{1 \cdot \rho}{2g_c} \frac{A V_i^3}{\pi D N}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \eta \frac{1}{2g_c} \frac{\rho \cdot \pi D^2 V_i^3}{4 \pi D N} = \eta \frac{1}{8g_c} \frac{\rho D V_i^3}{N} \\
 &= \eta \frac{1}{8g_c} \frac{\rho D V_i^3}{N}
 \end{aligned}$$

...(6.2.22)

At maximum efficiency $\left(\eta_{max} = \frac{16}{27} \right)$, the torque has maximum value T_{max} which is equal to

$$T_{max} = \frac{2}{27g_c} \frac{\rho D V_i^3}{N}$$

...(6.2.23)

The axial force or thrust by equation (6.2.13)

$$F_x = \frac{1}{2g_c} \rho A (V_i^2 - V_e^2)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{8g_c} \rho D^2 (V_i^2 - V_e^2)$$

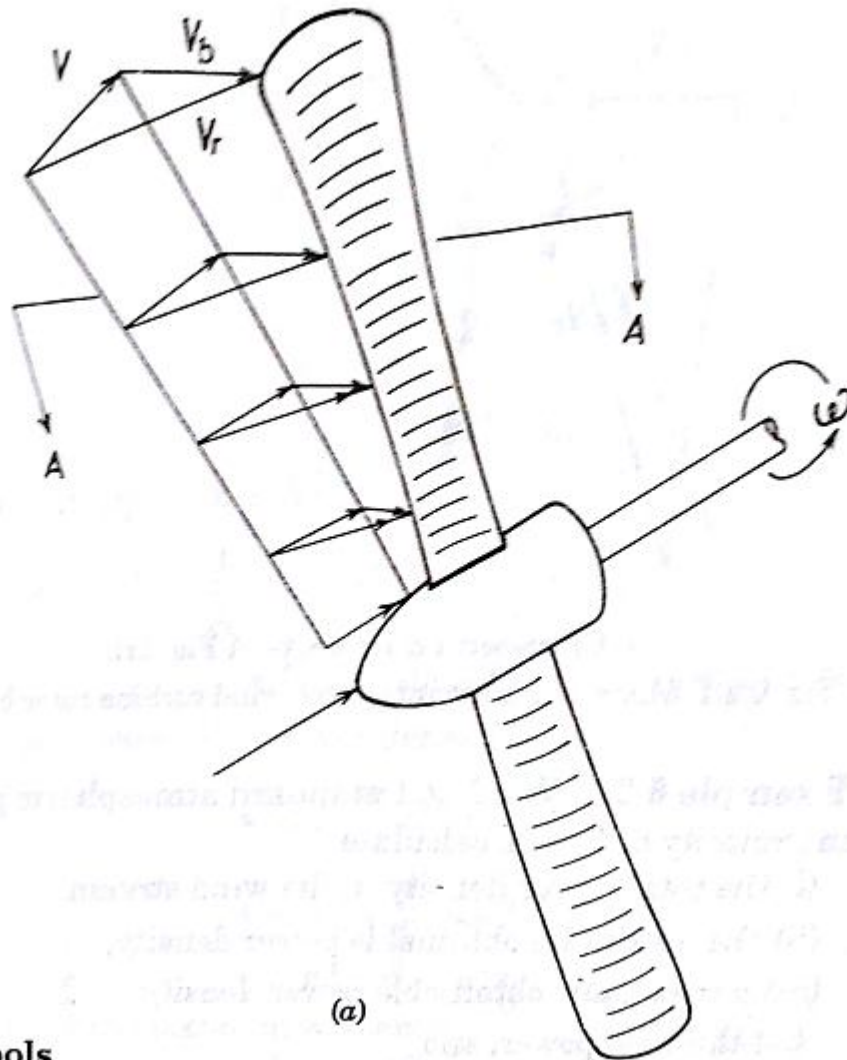
The axial force

The axial force on a turbine wheel operating at maximum efficiency where $V_c = \frac{1}{3} V_i$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_{x, \max} &= \frac{4}{9g_c} \rho A V_i^2 = \frac{\pi}{9g_c} \rho A V_i^2 \\ &= \frac{\pi}{9g_c} \rho D^2 V_i^2 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(6.2.25)$$

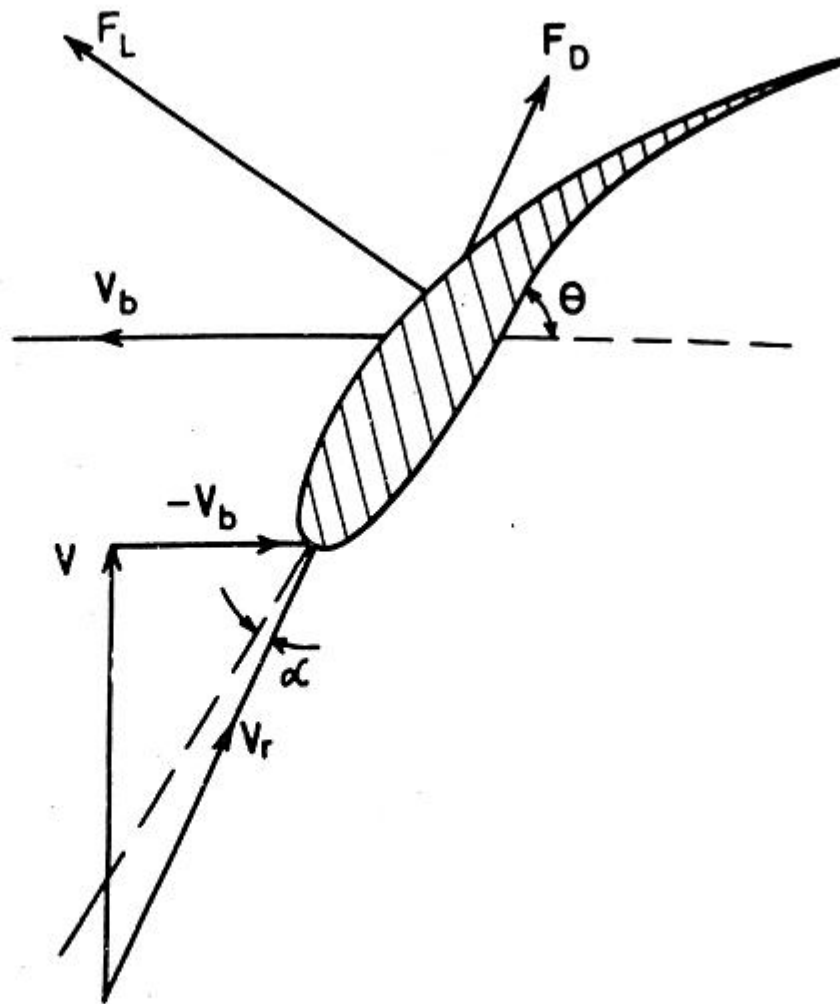
We see that axial forces are proportional to the square of the diameter of the turbine wheel, this limits turbine wheel diameter of large size.

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Symbols

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(b) Cross-section across A—A Fig (a)

symbols

V	Free wind velocity
V_b	velocity of airfoil element ($ V_b = \omega r$)
V_r	resultant wind as 'seen' by airfoil element
F_L	lift force (perpendicular to V_r)
F_D	drag force
θ	angle of twist
α	angle of incidence
ω	angular speed of rotor
r	distance of airfoil element from its axis of rotation.

The windmill blade 'sees' the resultant vector V_r . The blades are perpendicular to radius.

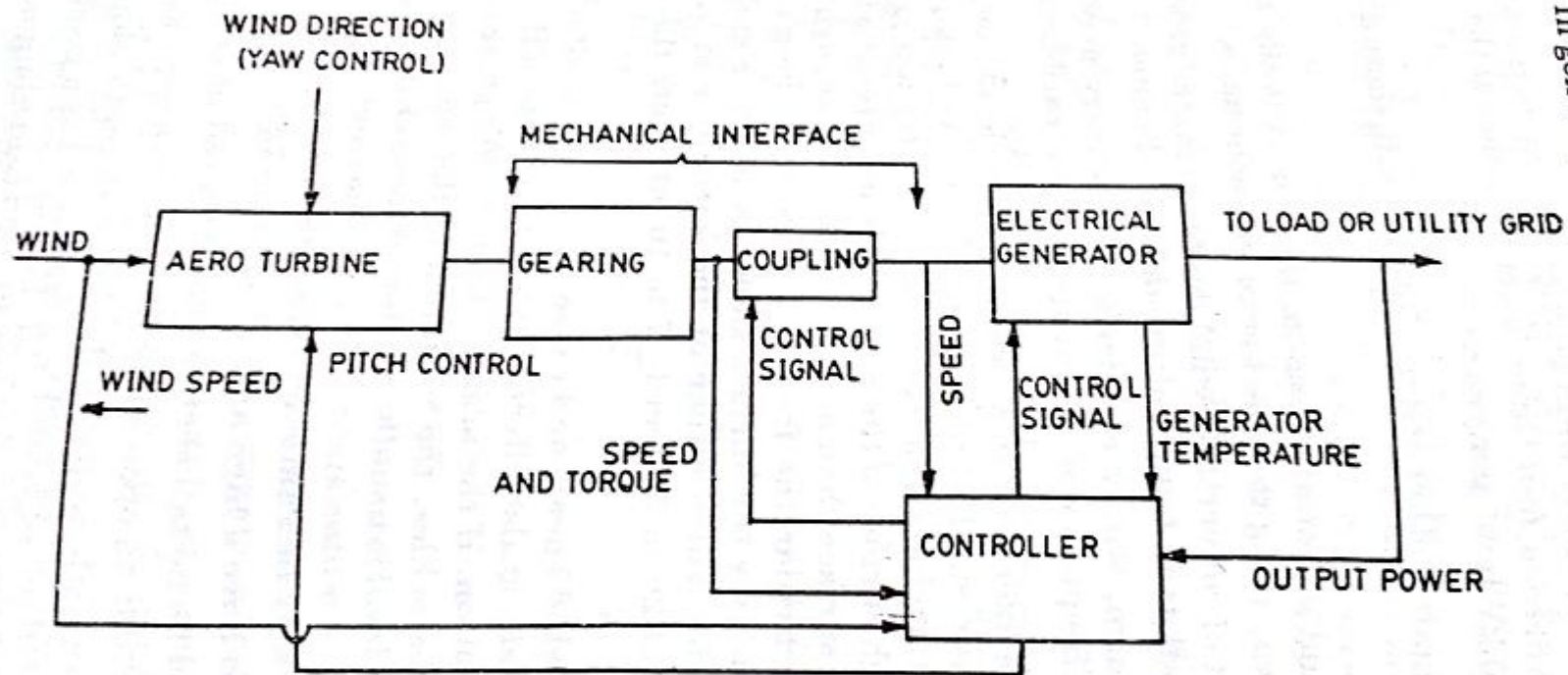
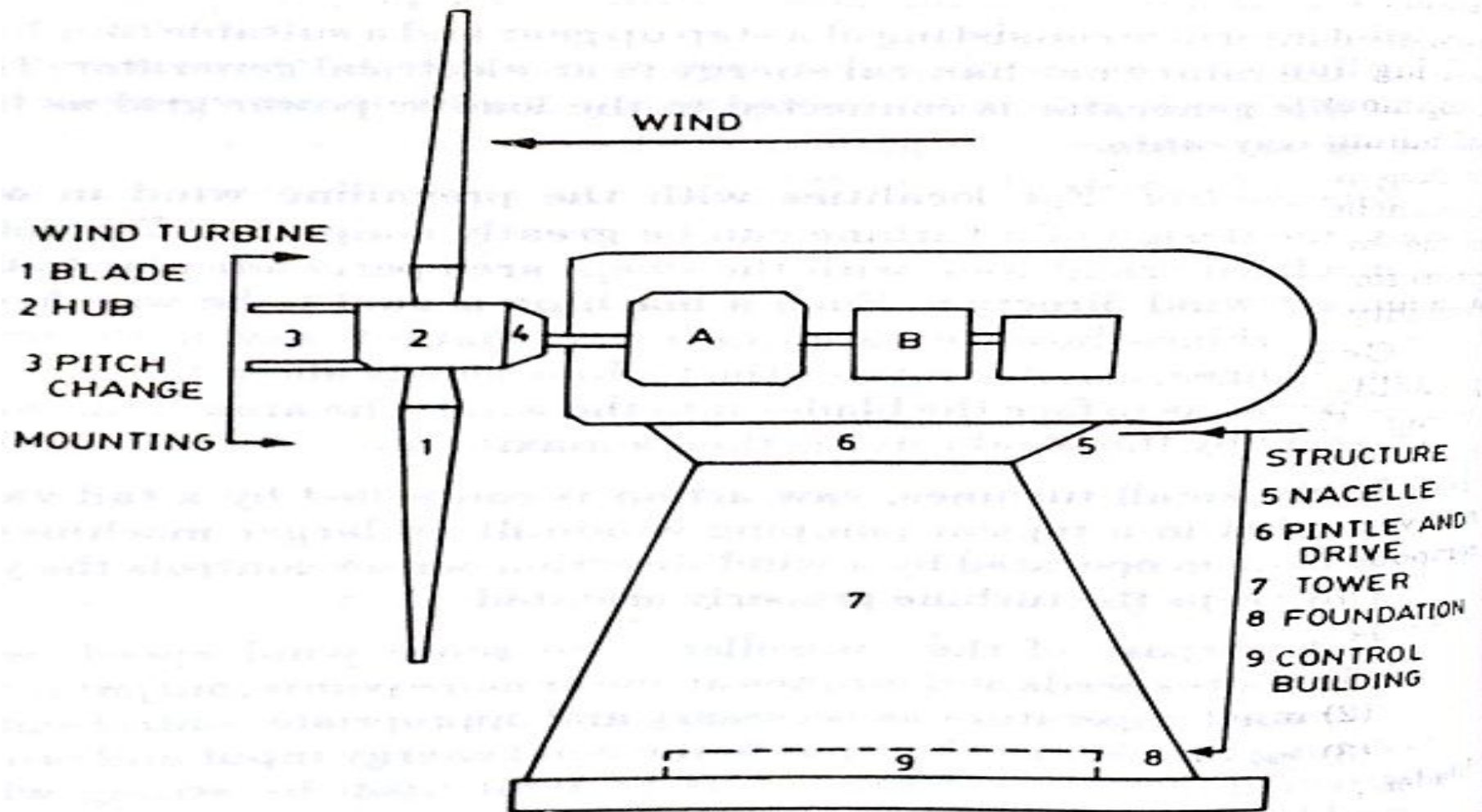


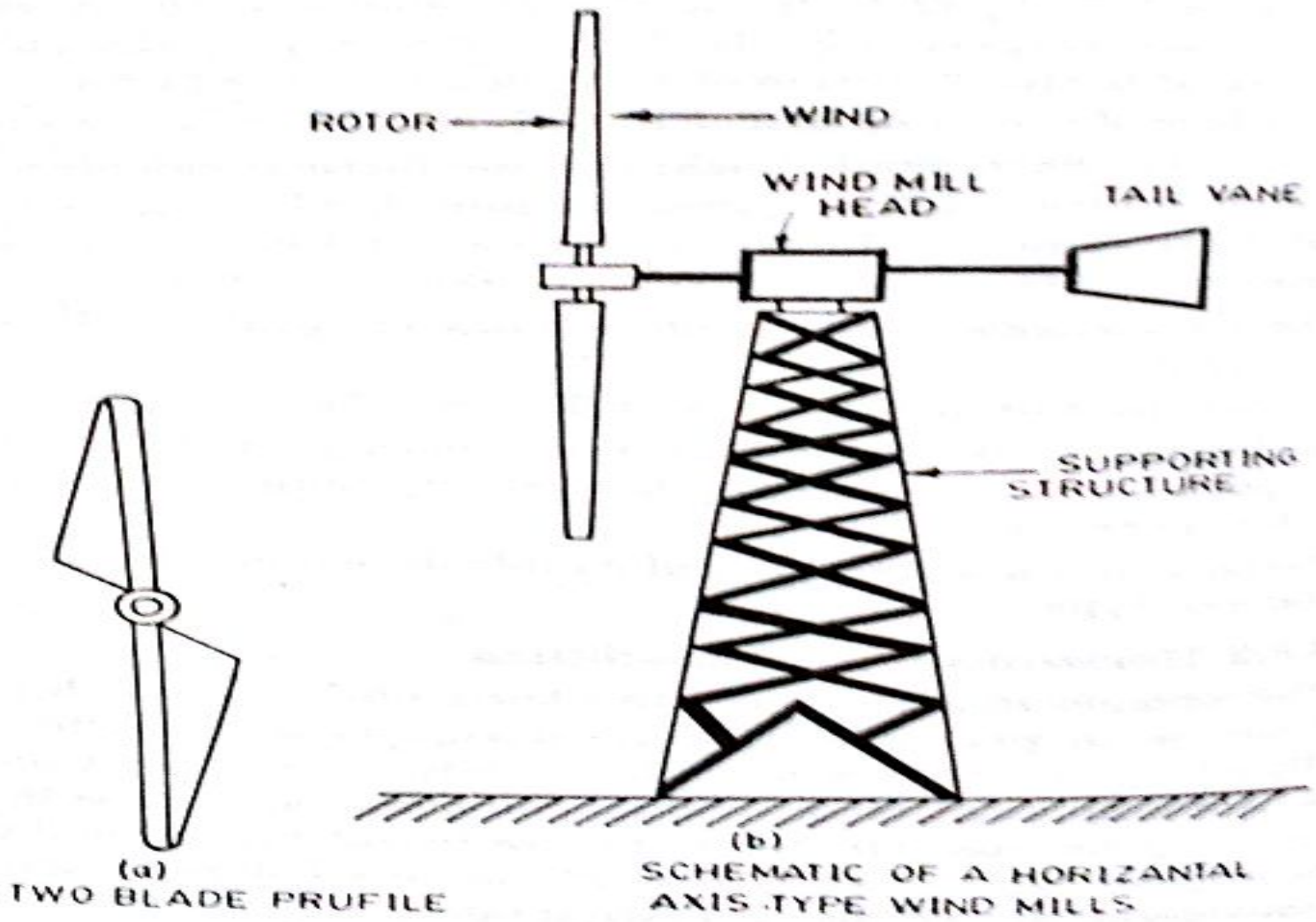
Fig. 6.5.1. Basic components of a Wind Electric System.



A—Transmission
Speed Increaser
Driver Shaft and Bearing
Clutch and Coupling.

B—Electrical
Generator
Control and indicators (at ground level)

Fig. 6.5.2. Physical embodiment of wind-electric generating station.



(a)
TWO BLADE PROFILE

(b)
SCHEMATIC OF A HORIZONTAL
AXIS TYPE WIND MILLS

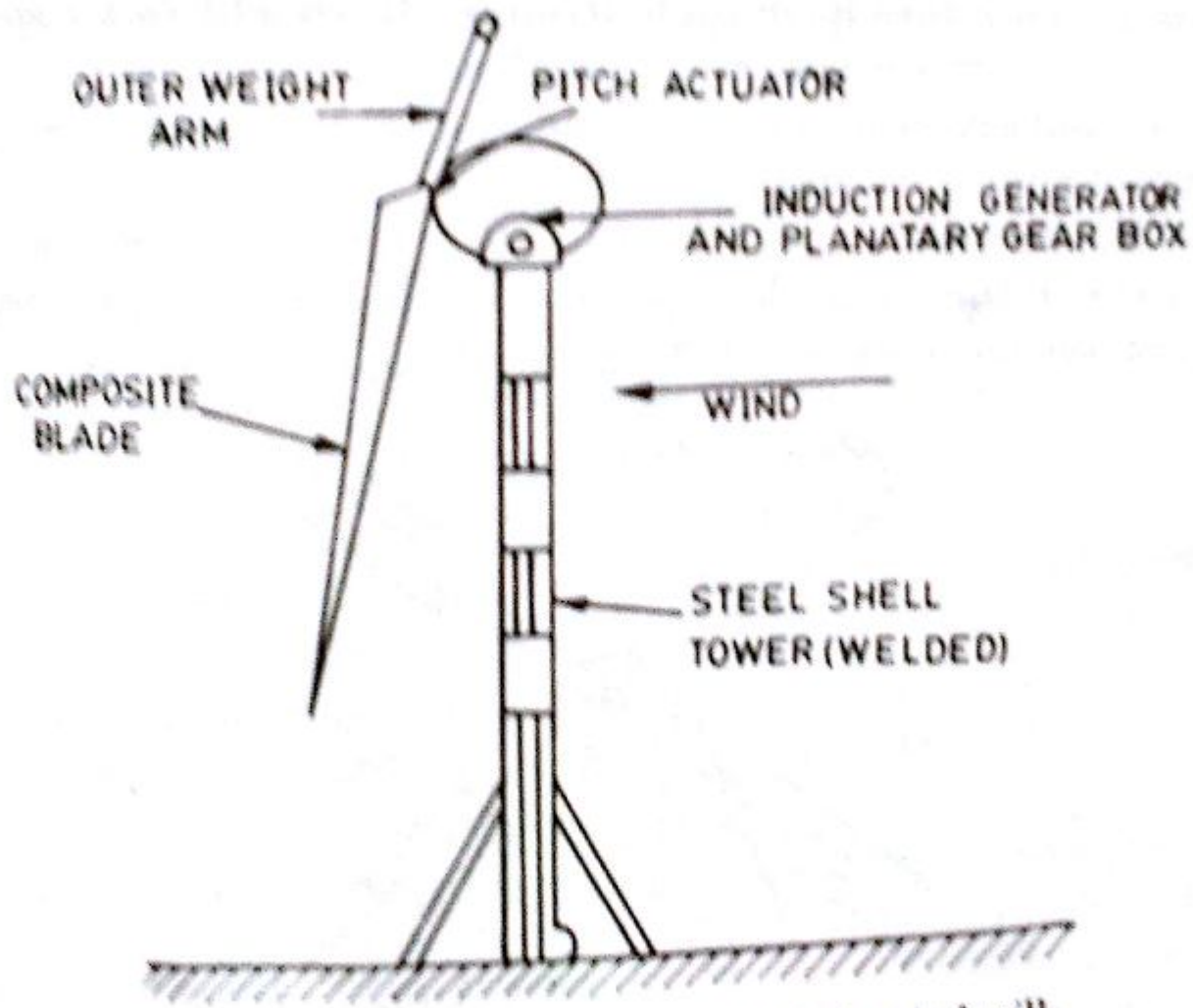


Fig. 6.8.2. Horizontal axis single blade wind mill.

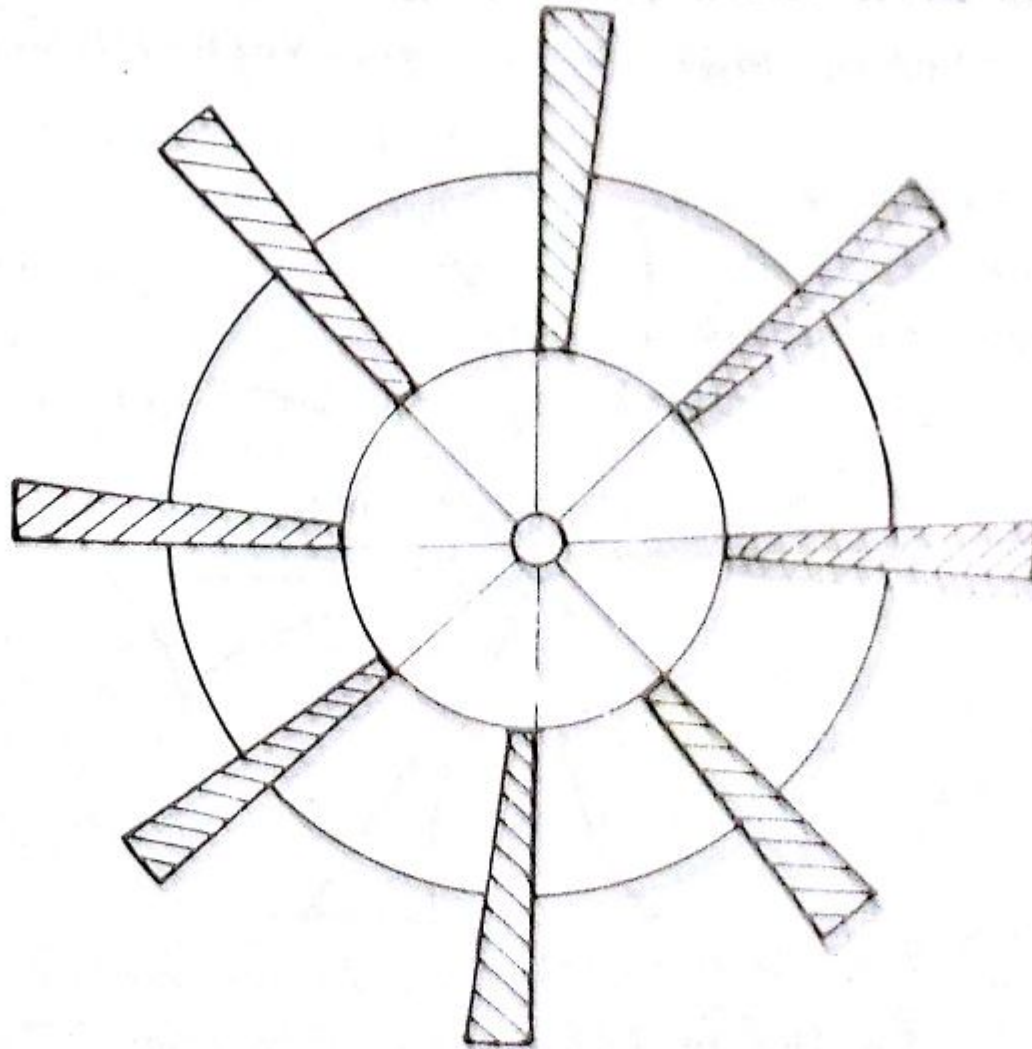


Fig. 6.8.3. Multiblade propeller.

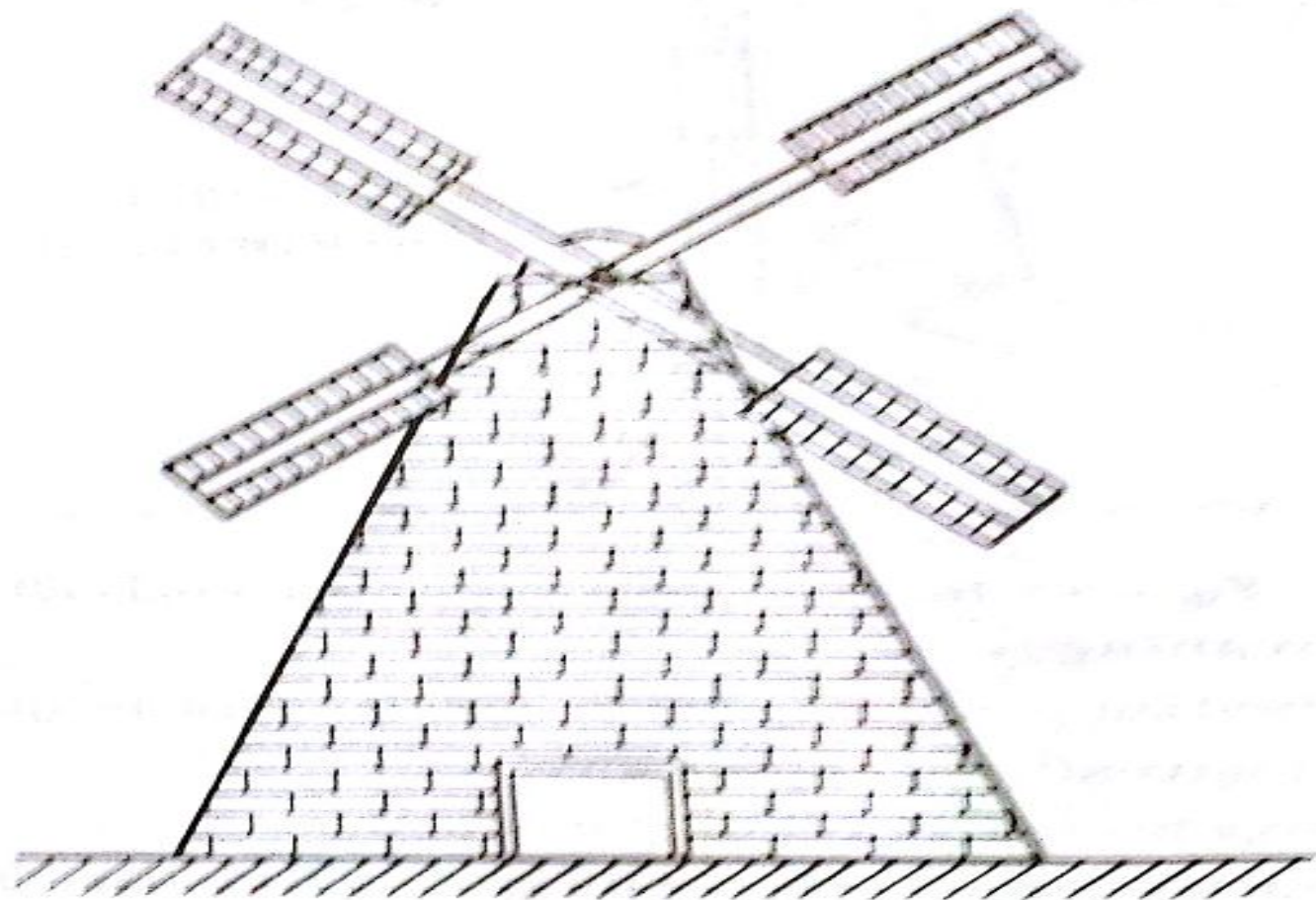


Fig. 6.8.4. Horizontal axis, Dutch type wind mill.

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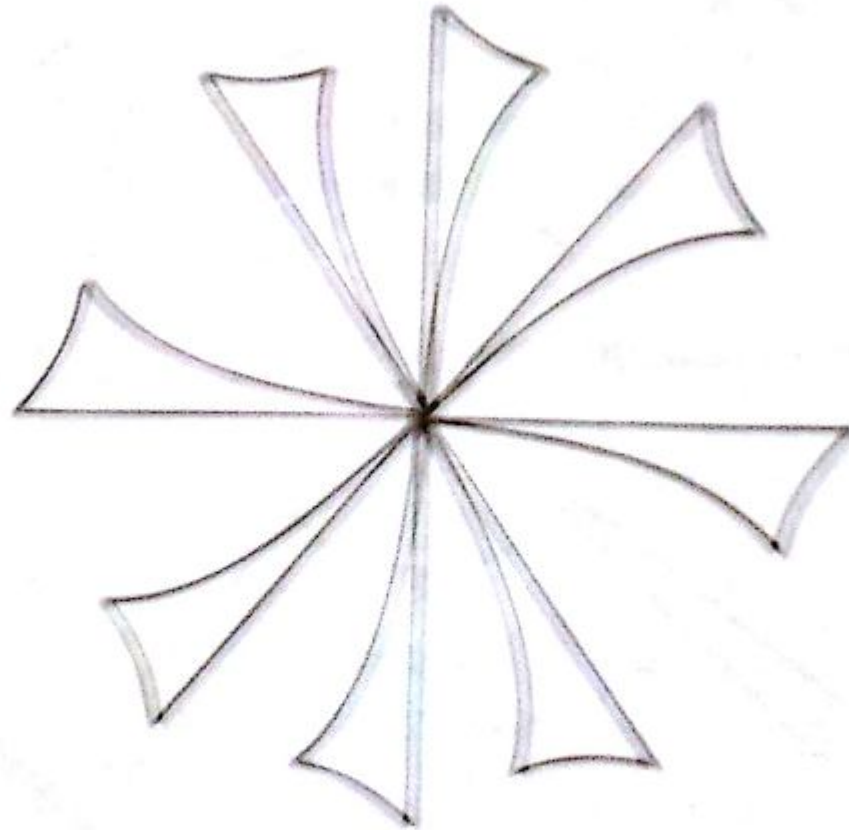
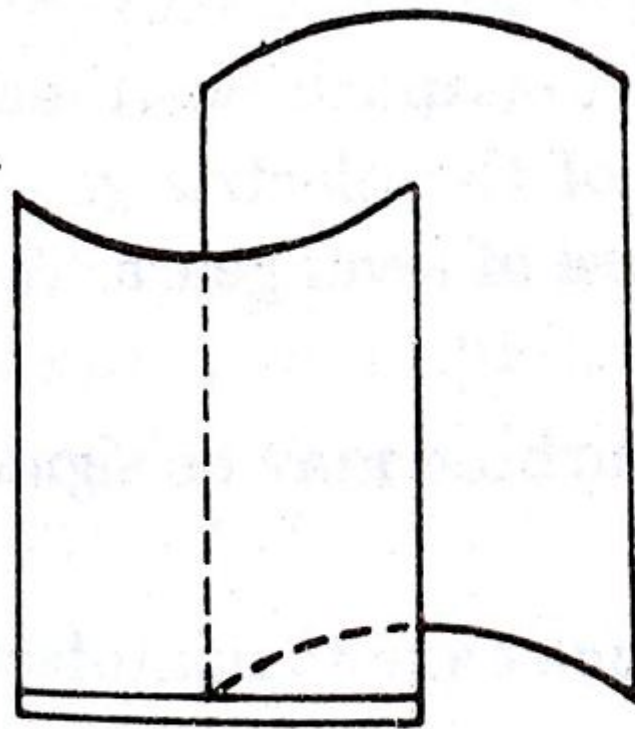
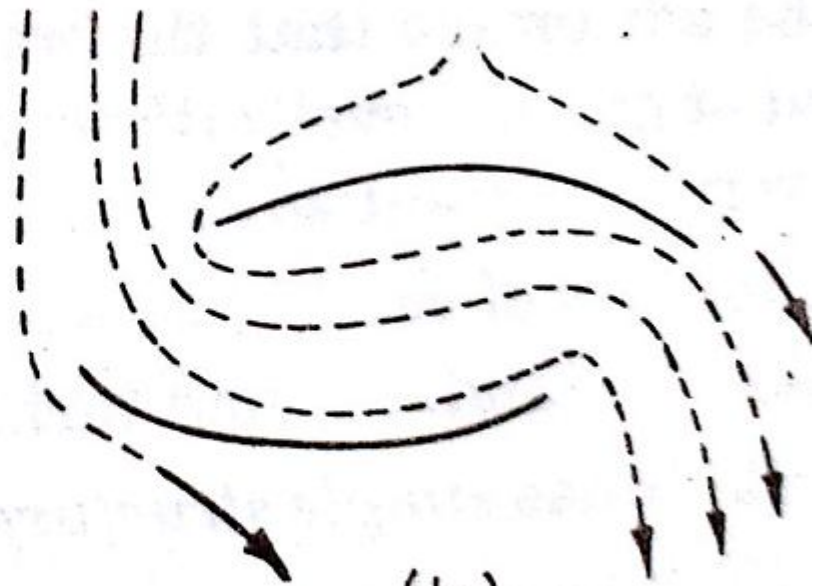


Fig. 6.8.5. Blades of sail type wind mill.



(a)



(b)

Fig. 6.8.8. The Savonius rotor and its stream flow.

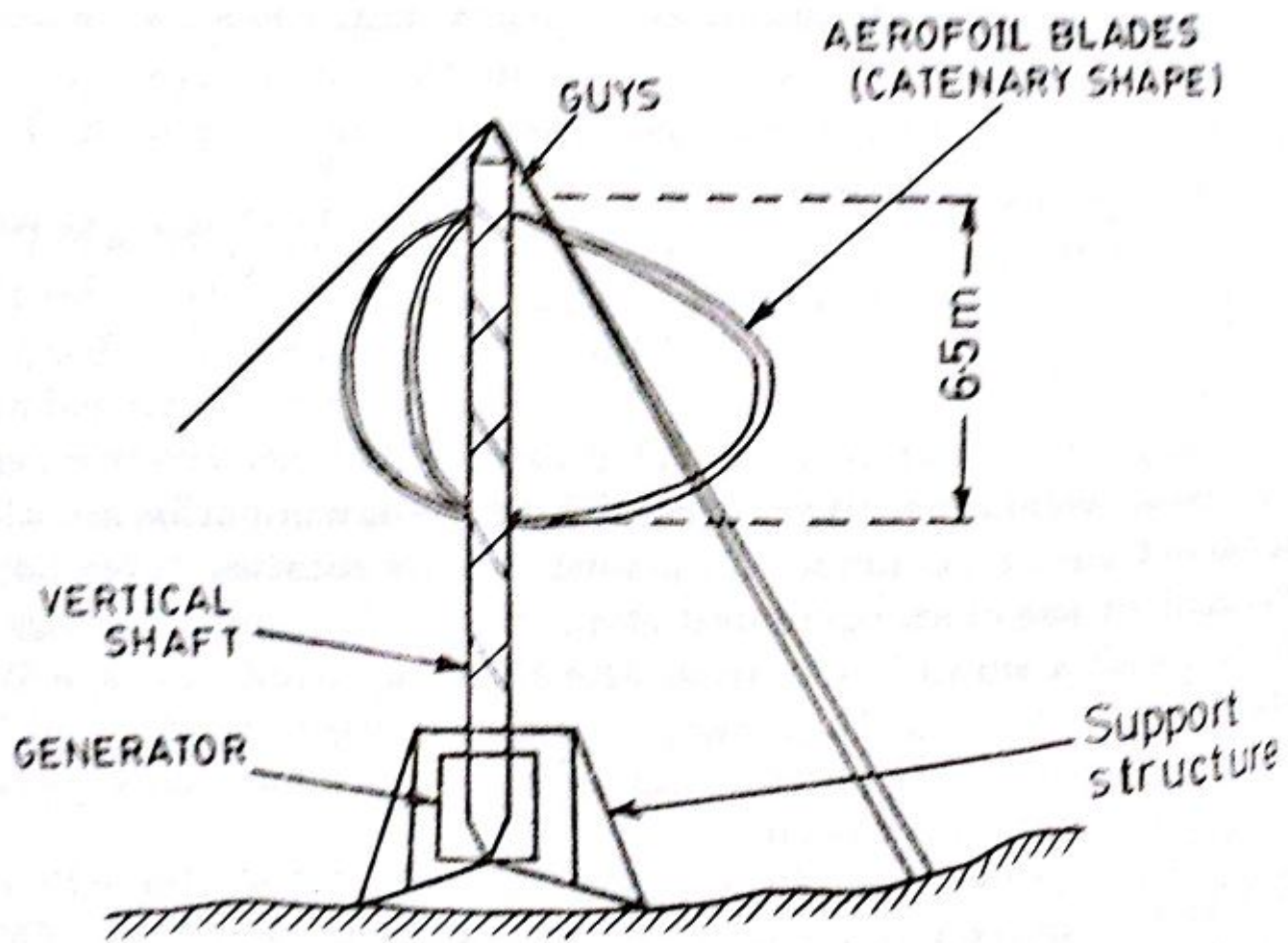


Fig. 6.8.9. Vertical axis wind mill.