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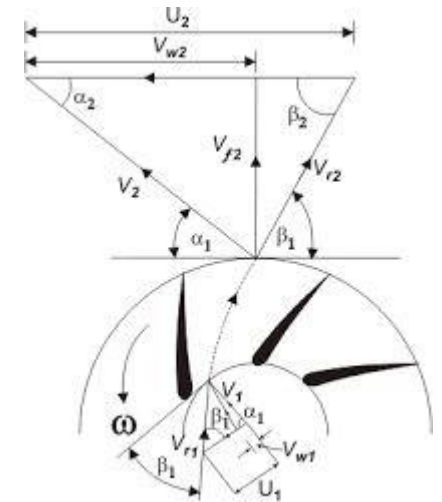
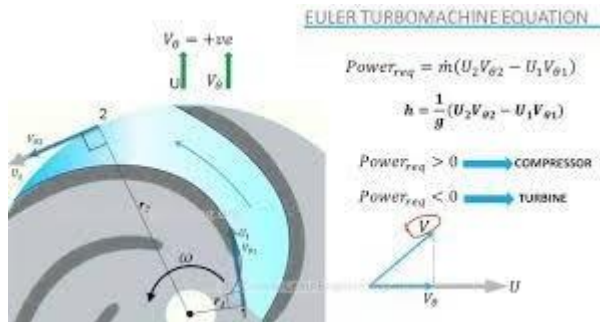
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VELOCITY TRIANGLES OF TURBINES





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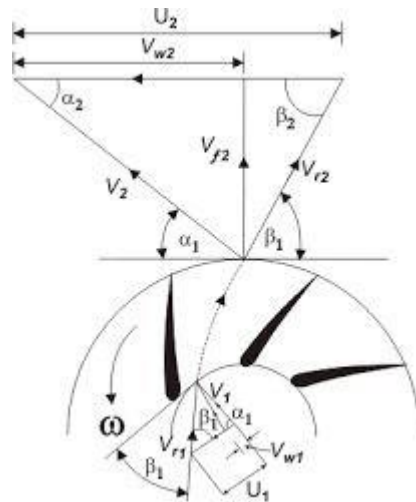
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HYDRAULIC TURBINE

Definition:

The machine/device which converts hydraulic energy into mechanical energy is called as hydraulic turbine.



Examples:

- 1) Pelton Wheel Turbine
- 2) Francis Turbine
- 3) Kaplan Turbine



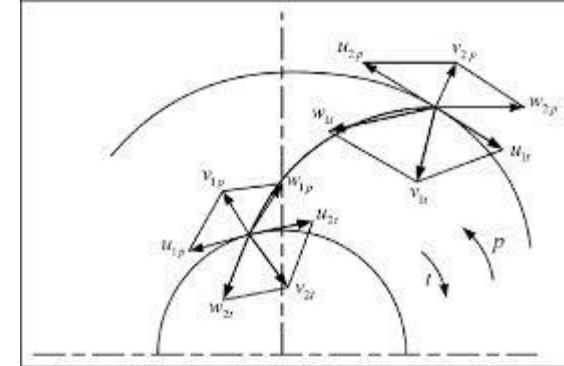
CLASSIFICATION OF HYDRAULIC TURBINE

1) According to Energy at Inlet:

- a) **Impulse Turbine**: Kinetic Energy is Maximum than Pressure Energy.
e.g. Pelton Wheel Turbine
- b) **Reaction Turbine**: Pressure Energy is Maximum than Kinetic Energy.
e.g. Francis Turbine and Kaplan Turbine

2) According to Direction of Flow Through Runner:

- a) Tangential Flow: Water flows along the tangent of runner.
e.g. Pelton Wheel Turbine
- b) Radial Flow: Water flows along the radius through runner.
- c) Axial Flow: Water flows along the axis of rotation of runner.
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3) According to Head Available at Inlet:

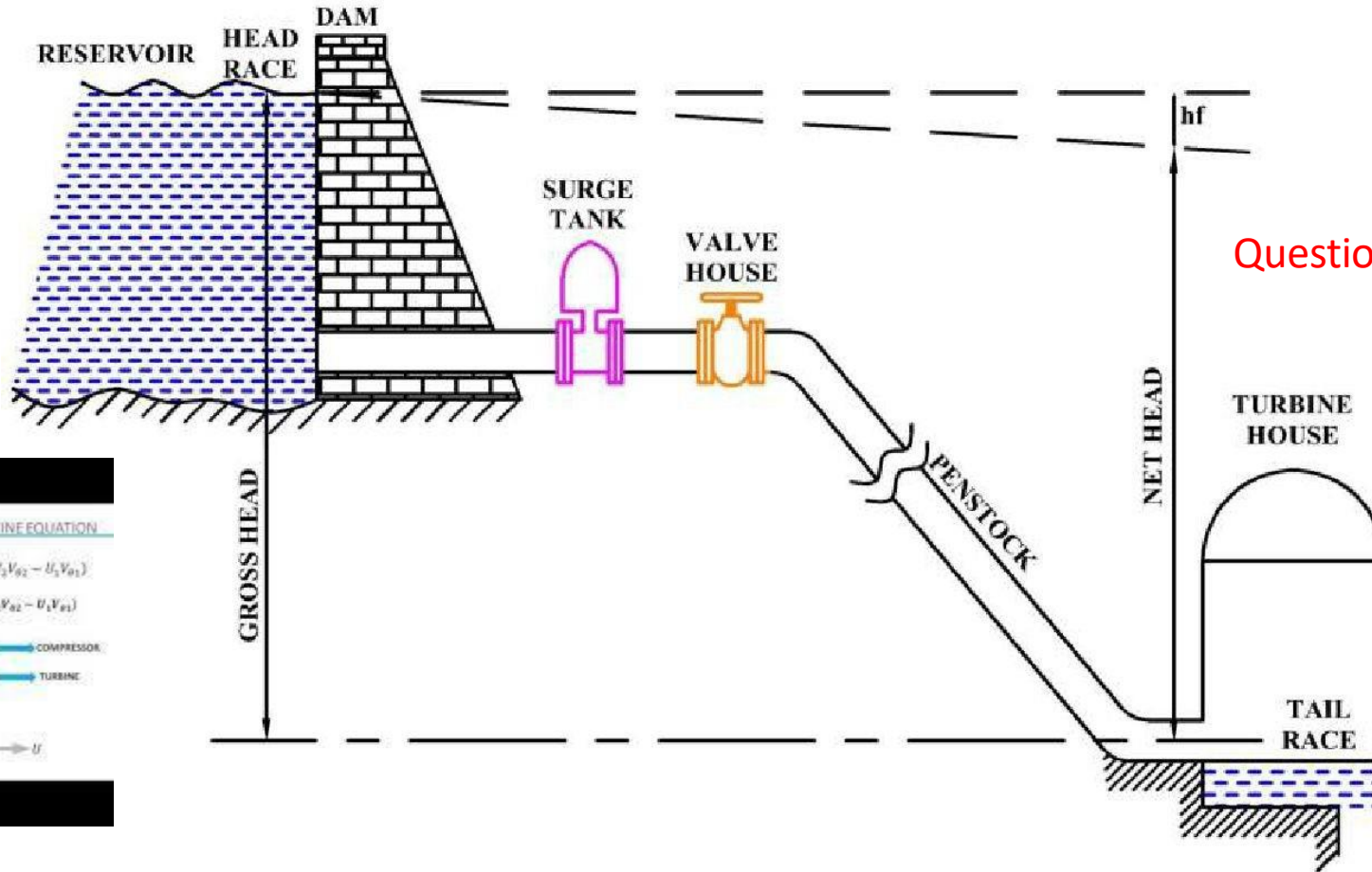
- a) **Low Head**: Head < 60 meters
e.g. Kaplan Turbine
- b) Medium Head: 60 meters $<$ Head < 250 meters
e.g. Francis Turbine
- c) **High Head**: 250 meters $<$ Head
e.g. Pelton Wheel Turbine

4) According to Specific Speed of Turbine:

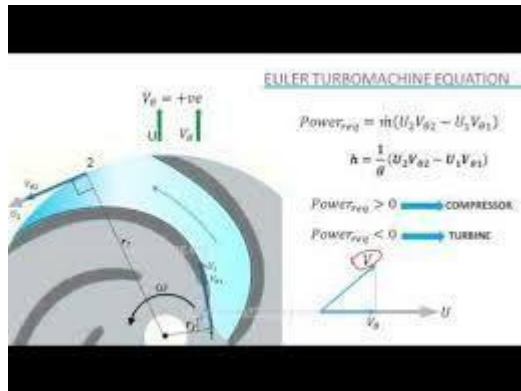
- a) **Low Specific Speed**: Specific Speed < 60
e.g. Pelton Wheel Turbine
- b) Medium Specific Speed: 60 $<$ Specific Speed < 300
e.g. Francis Turbine
- c) **High Specific Speed**: 300 $<$ Specific Speed
e.g. Kaplan Turbine



HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER PLANT



Question: Need of surge tank?





HYDRO-ELECTRIC POWER PLANT

1) Dam:

A wall constructed across the flow of river

2) Penstock:

A pipe which convey the water from dam to turbine house

3) Turbine House:

Assembly of runner, shaft to convert hydro energy into mechanical energy

4) Surge Tank:

A storage tank fitted on penstock before valve to avoid water hammer

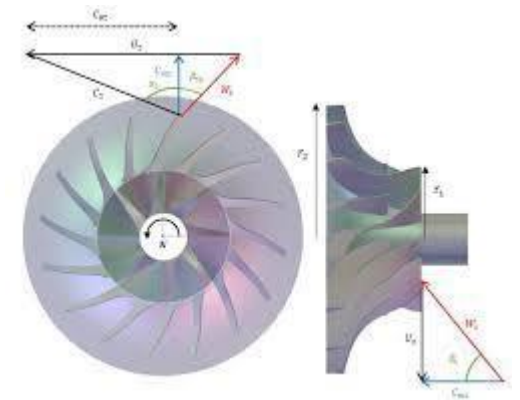
5) Valve House:

To control the rate of flow of water through penstock



VELOCITY TRIANGLE

In turbomachinery, a **velocity triangle** or a **velocity diagram** is a **triangle** representing the various components of **velocities** of the working fluid in a turbomachine. **Velocity triangles** may be drawn for both the inlet and outlet sections of any turbomachine.





VELOCITIES INVOLVED

A general velocity triangle consists of the following vectors:

V : Absolute velocity of the fluid.

U : Blade Linear velocity.

V_r : Relative velocity of the fluid after contact with rotor.

V_w : Tangential component of V (absolute velocity), called *Whirl velocity*.

V_f : Flow velocity (axial component in case of axial machines, radial component in case of radial machines).

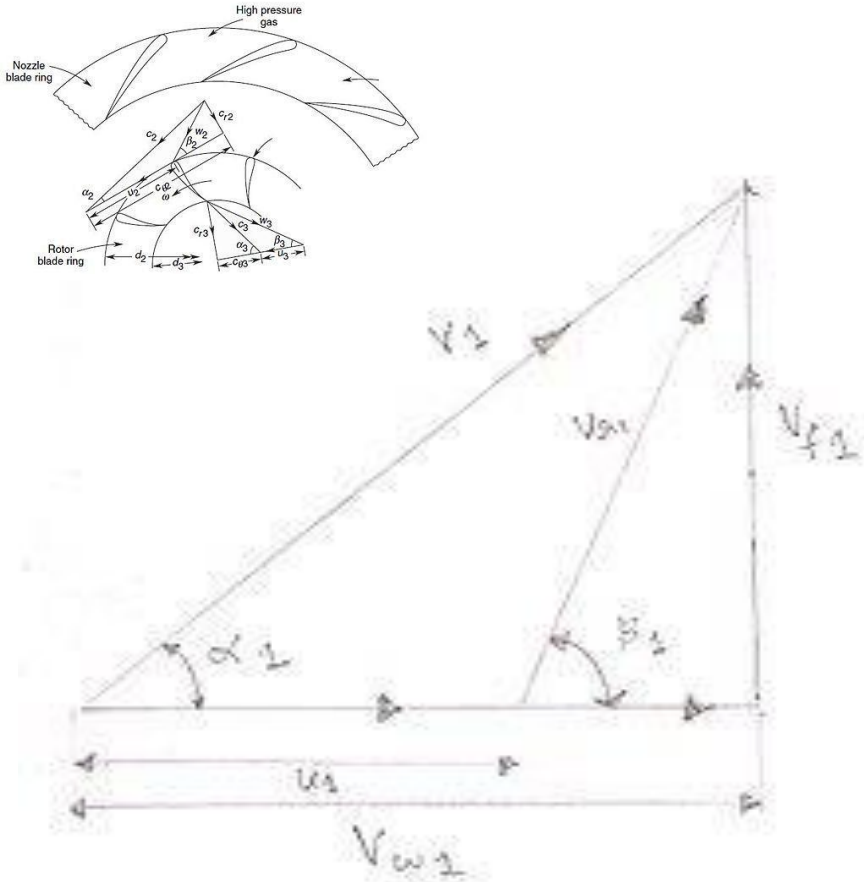
The following angles are encountered during the analysis:

α : Angle made by V with the plane of the machine (usually the nozzle angle or the guide blade angle).

β : Angle of the rotor blade. Absolute angle



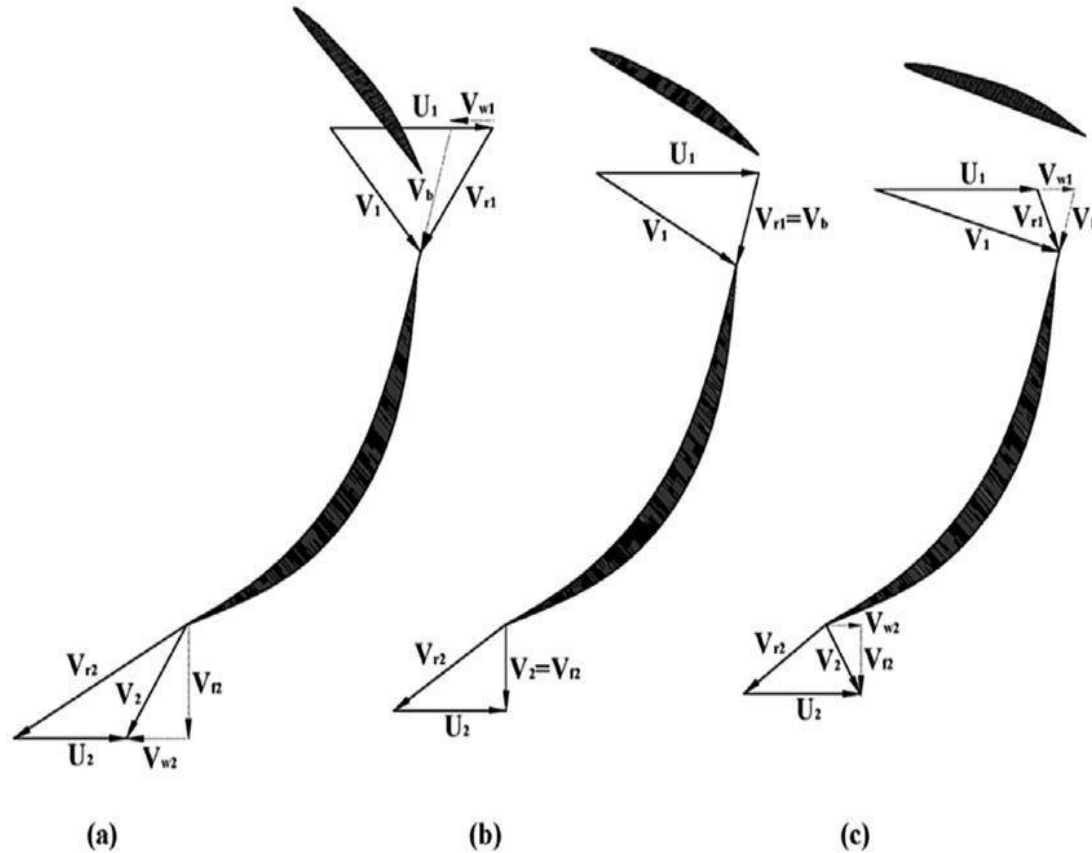
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- An example of a velocity triangle drawn for the inlet of a turbomachine.
- The "1" subscript denotes the high pressure side (inlet in case of turbines and outlet in case of pumps/compressors).



VELOCITY TRIANGLES OF FRANCIS TURBINES



- Turbine runner blade inlet and outlet under different operation conditions:

(a) maximum wicket gate opening condition;

(b) peak efficiency condition;

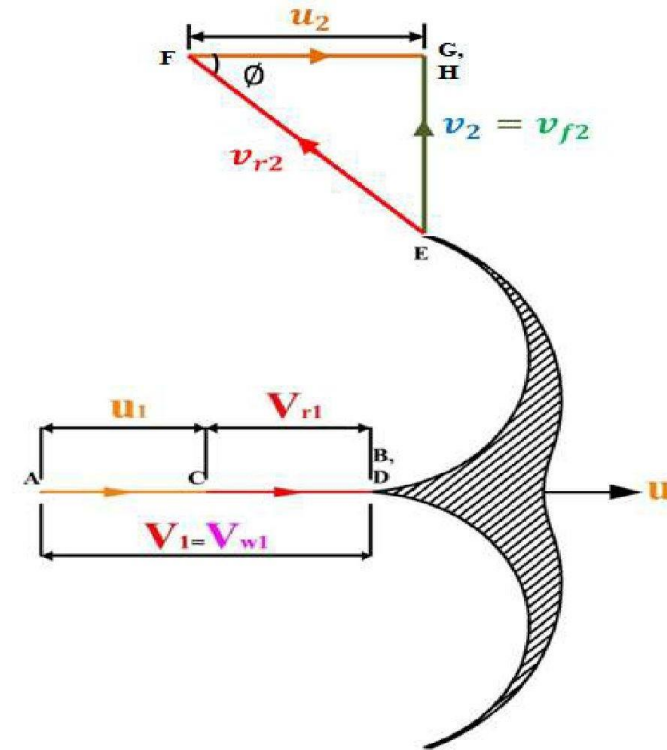
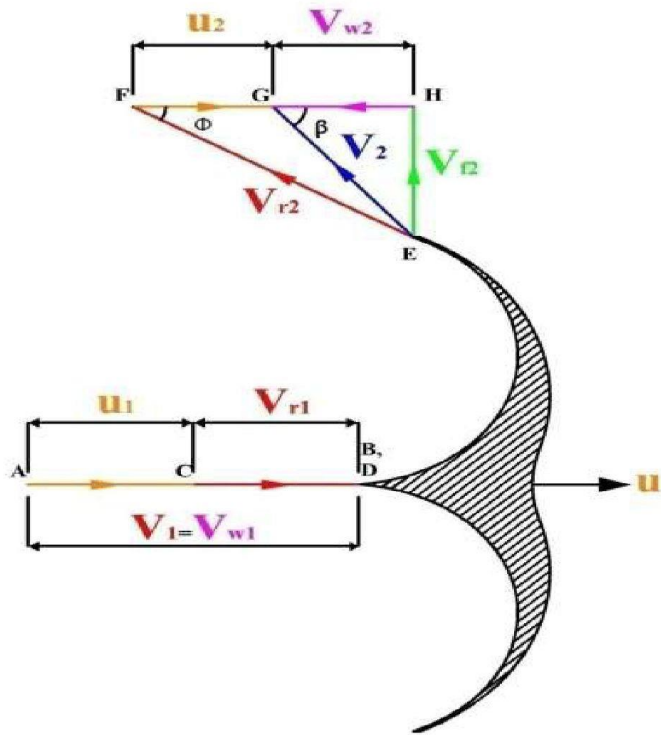
(c) minimum wicket gate opening condition



PELTON WHEEL TURBINE-VELOCITY TRIANGLE

LOW SPEED TURBINE

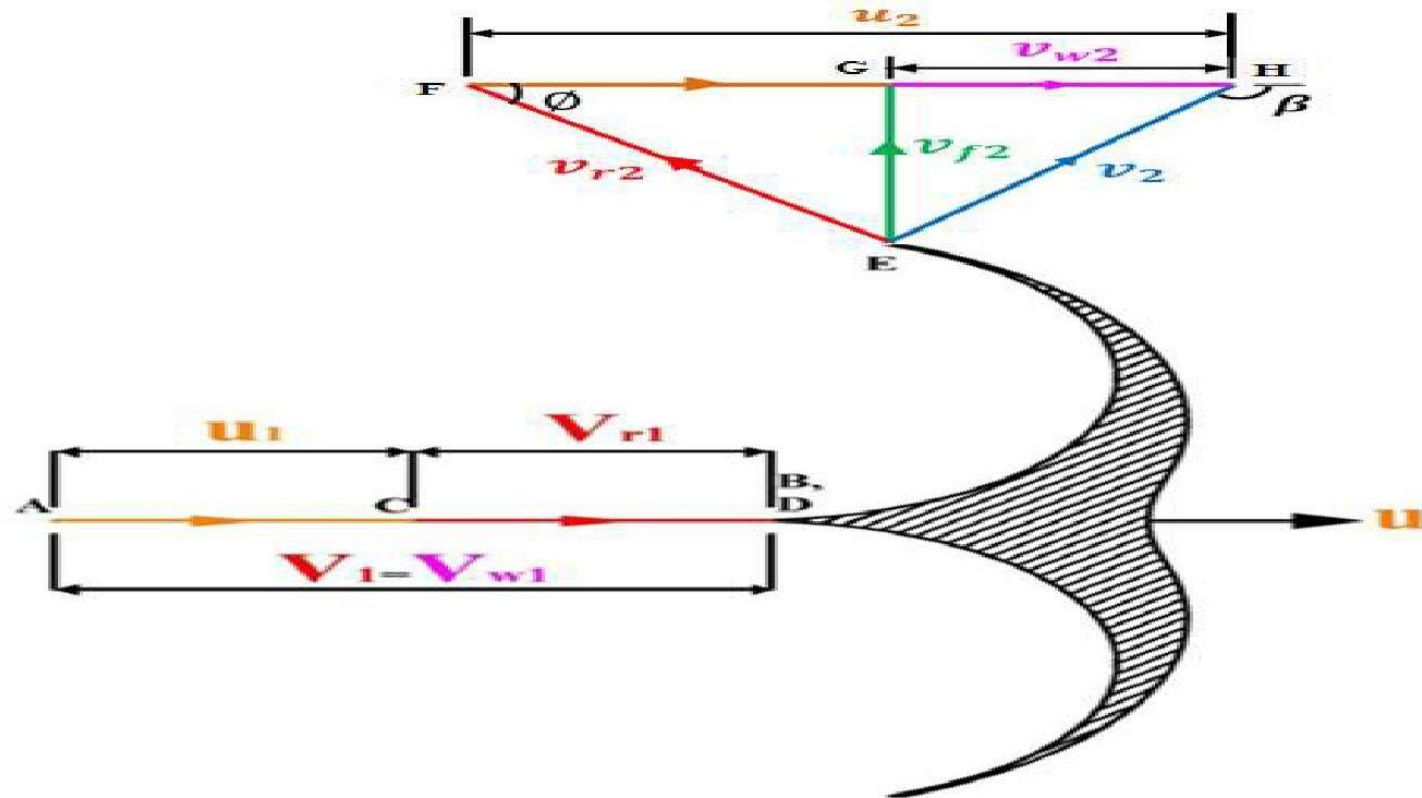
INLET VELOCITY TRIANGLE





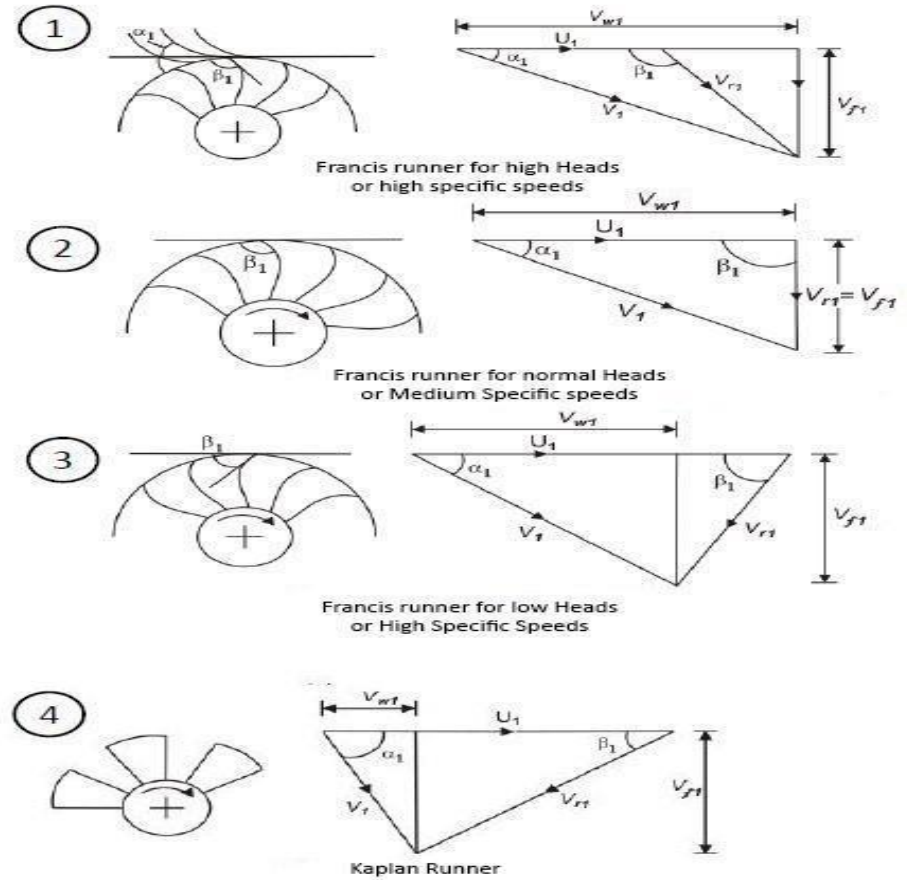
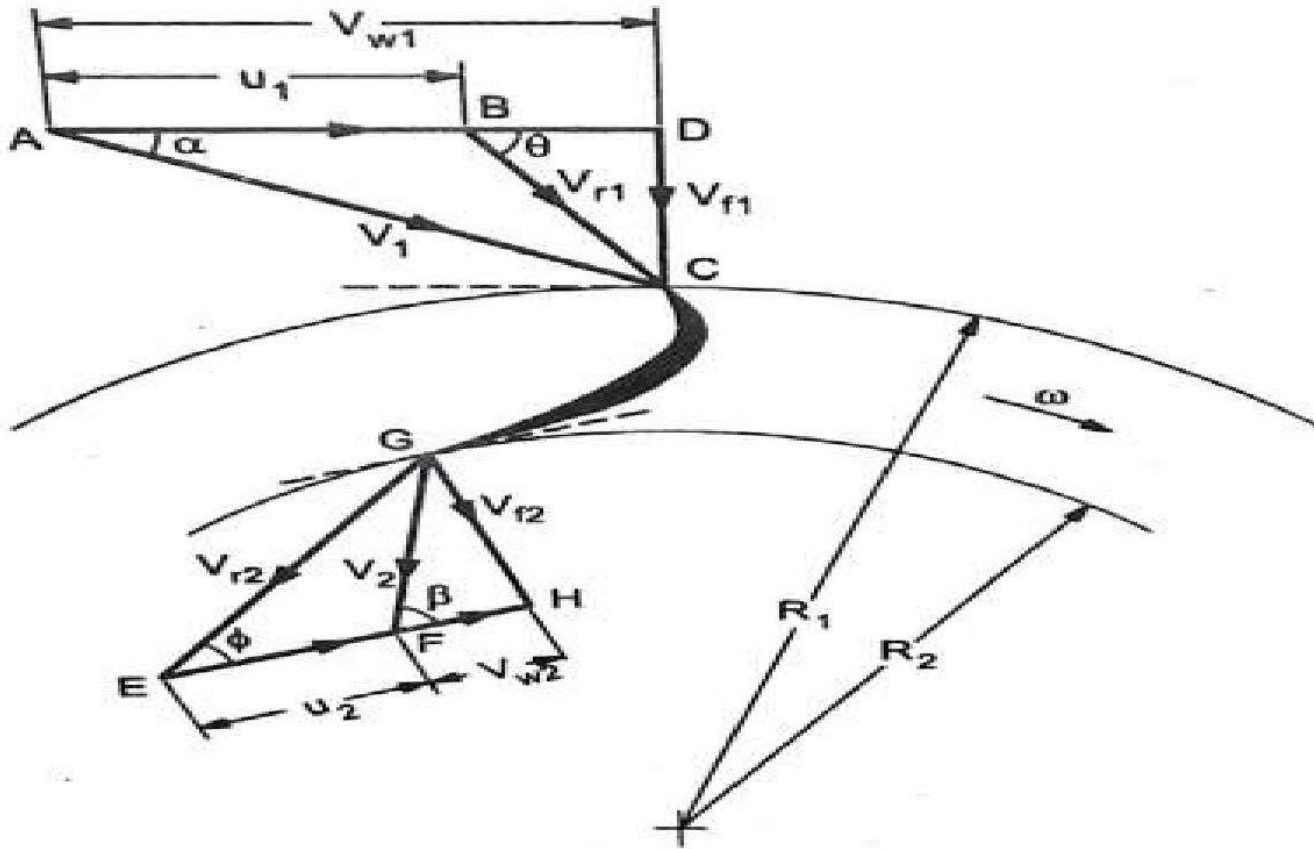
PELTON WHEEL TURBINE-VELOCITY TRIANGLE

- High Speed Turbine





FRANCIS TURBINE TURBINE-VELOCITY TRIANGLE





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