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Experimental Study of Small Flapped Rudder with Rotating Cylinder and Analytical Estimation of Improvements in Ship's Maneuvering Performance with its Application

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Abstract

A method of improving rudder effectiveness by appling a rotating cylinder to a rudder (so called "rotating-cylinder rudder") has been experimentally studied.

Also, the improvements in ship's maneuvering characteristics with its application has been analytically evaluated. It has been shown that this improvement is significant.

Nomenclature

a =Aspect ratio

B = Beam

C =Straight-line stability criterion

C_B =Block Coefficient

 C_D =Drag Coefficient

C_L =Lift Coefficient

C_M = Midship section Coefficient

CP =Prismatic Coefficient

Cv = Volumetric Coefficient

D =Steady turning diameter

H = Draft

L =Ship length

LPP=Length between Perpendiculars

LwL=Waterline length

m =Hull mass coefficient

N = Yawing moment coefficient

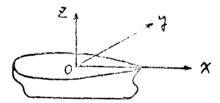
R =Steady turninS radius

r = Angular velocity

V = Approach speed, or Ship speed

v = y-component of V

x,y,z=Coordinate axes fixed in the hull with origin at the center of gravity



 $x_G = x$ -Coordinate of center of gravity

y =Lateral hydrodynamic force coefficient

 α =Rudder deflection angle

 δ =Flap deflection angle

Subscript

R refers to rudder

h refers to hull without rudder

v refers to derivatives with ruspect to v

refers to derivatives with respect to r

I. Introduction

Currently, great efforts are being made for the improved maneuverability of new ships. Traditionally, rudder has been used as the most effective maneuvering device. However, a conventional rudder has its own performance limit mainly due to flow separation. In fact, the study of the boundary layer

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phenomenon is one of the most important topics of marine hydrodynamics in the view points of resistance, noise, vibration, acoustics and other important problems. Maybe, one of the first men who considered the boundary layer control would be L. Prandtl (1)*. As early as in his first paper published in 1904, L. Prandtl described several experiments in which the boundary layer was controlled. Since then, numerous methods of boundary layer control have been suggested, and several methods have been developed experimentally, theoretically or both. The common purpose of these methods is to affect the whole flow in a desired direction by artificially influencing the structure of the boundary layer.

The most obvious method of avoiding separation is to attempt to prevent the formation of a boundary layer. Since a boundary layer occurs due to the difference between the velocity of the fluid and that of the solid wall, it is possible to eliminate the formation of a boundary layer by attempting to eliminate that difference, i.e. by causing the solid wall to move with the stream. The simplest way of achieving such a result involves the rotation of a circular cylinder. Figure 1 shows the flow pattern which exists about a rotating cylinder placed in stream perpendicular to its axis on the upper side, where the flow and the cylinder move in the same direction, separation is completely eliminated. Furthermore, on the lower side where the direction of fluid motion is opposite to that of the solld wall, separation is developed only incompletely. On the whole, the flow pattern which exists in this case approximates very closely the pattern of ideal flow

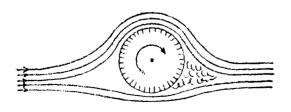


Fig. 1. Flow past a rotating cylinder

past a circular cylinder with circulation. The stream exerts a considerable force on the cylinder perpendicular to the mean flow direction, and this is sometimes referred to as the Magnus effect, perhaps, the first application of this method is the attempts to utilize the occurrence of lift on rotating cylinders for the propulsion of ships, such as Flettner's rotor. With the exception of rotating cylinders, the idea of moving the solid wall with the stream can be realized only at the cost of very great complications as far as shapes other than cylindrical are concerned, and consequently, this method has not found much practical application. Very recently, the concept of rotating cylinder has been applied to the maneuvering system of large modern tankers, which is called "rotating cylinder rudders." Figure 2 shows the basic mechanism of boundary layer control by means of a rotating cylinder at the leading edge. This rudder system will be able to reduce the turning cicle tremendously at the low approach speed according to tests of tanker model(2). The rotating cylinder at the leading edge provents the flow seperation which usually occurs on conventional rudders at angles greater than 35 degrees. This

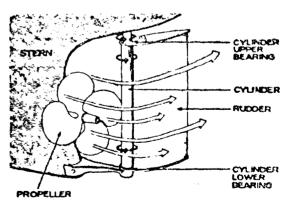


Fig. 2. Boundary Later Control by means of Rotating Cylinder

effect makes it possible to incline the rudder at angles very close to 90 degrees to divert the propeller race through large angles. This will greatly

^{*} Numbers in () designate numbers of references.

reduce the turning cicles and provide higher rates of turn at all ship speeds. With this concept, a model of flapped rudder with rotating cylinder was constructed, and some of its characteristics have been measured through a series of tests at the water tunnel. In this paper, the characteristics of the rudder with and without cylinder rotation will be compared and the possible improvement in ship's maneuvering performance due to its application will be estimated analytically.

II. Description of the Model

The first step in the preparation of model for this study consisted of selecting rudder type, appropriate cross-section and planform.

Originally, "all-movable single piece" type rudder (as shown in Figure 2) was considered with a rotating cylinder at the leading edge. However, it was found that this kind of model rudders had too small leading edge radius for a rotating cylinder with appreciable size to be installed with smooth overall connection and, hence, not to lose the original rudder characteristics. Therefore, "all-movable tail flap" type rudder was selected so that a cylinder could be installed at the position of the maximum thickness.

Since a rudder with rotating cylinder is relatively complicated in mechanism and much more difficult to construct than a conventional one, the overall design philosophy was set as to keep the model as simple as possible to build, while making sure that it was strong enough to stand for the various test conditions.

As a starting point, the following characteristics were considered that.

- · a 1:1 aspect ratio for the simplicity
- · the cylinder was to be positioned at 50% chord
- the cylinder diameter was to be same as the maximum thickness of the rudder not to protrude from the normal fair line of the chosen section from leading edge to trailing edge.

Following this idea, the NACA 16-018 section form

was selected to have the maximum thickness at the midchord (3). A rectangular planform was used for the ease of construction and later theoretical applications.

The model dimension was determined to be big enough to produce reliable data, yet small enough to successfully apply wall correction procedure.

Thus determined model characteristics are shown below.

Section form=NACA 16-018
Planform =Rectangular form

Aspect ratio=1.00

Chord =17.78cm(7.00") Span =17.78cm(7.00") Thickness = 4.18cm(1.25")

This model was built by the author himself at the MIT machine shop. Among the highlights of the machining work involved in Preparing the model were the splitting and boring of the entire one-piece foil to form the skeg and flap* with room for the.

cylinder between and the contrivance of numerous precise Press-fits and alignments. This model was tested at the MIT Marine Hydrodynamics Laboratory (variable pressure water tunnel). The test procedure is discussed next chapter. Unfortunately, the test results for this mtodel were rather disappointing and it was suspected that this disappointing results were due to too large flap. Therefore, it was decided to modify the model by reducing the flap by 1 inch. For the convenience, the original model and the modified model will be denoted by Model A and Model B, respectively. In order to smoothly connect the skeg and flap, section shape of NACA 16-021 thickness form was selected for flap portion. The characteristics of Model A and Model B are shown in Figure 3.

III. Test Procedure

As each parts of the model were prepared, they were assembled to a whole rudder and it was attached to the dynamometer base. The cylinder turns

^{*} the forward and aft Part of the rudder.

Model A Model B

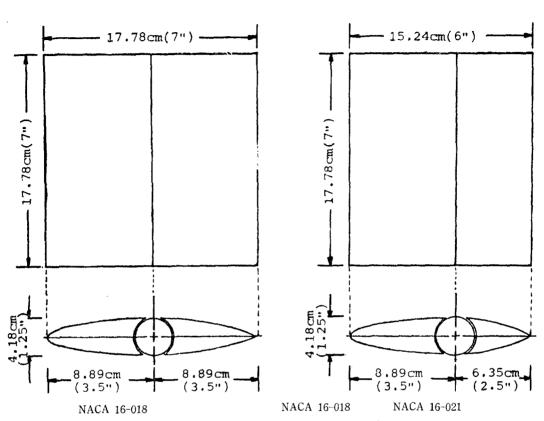


Fig. 3 Characteristics of Model A and Model B

on ball bearings mounted in the top and boottom pieces. The flap is hinged on the same axis as the cylinder with the outer surfaces of the ball bearings being used as the hinge point.

The model was designed to utilize the dynamometer system previously built for the water tunnel. This system uses six load cells to measure forces and moments generated by the body in the flow. It consists of a heavy stainless steel worm-gear base set on a tapered plexiglass plug that rotates in a matching hole in a plexiglass test section window.

A telescope mounted on top that focuses on a wall-mounted scale permits accurate, repeatable angle of attack adjustments.

The model was rigidly attached to a base plate and shaft arrangement of its own. The 3.81 cm $(1\frac{1}{2})$ stainless steel shaft passes out from the

tunnel section through a seal to be rigidly clamped to the floating structure of the dynamometer. This floating structure is then connected to the dynamometer base (described above) by a set of Lebow Model 3345 striangage load cells.

The load cells are attached through slender, high-strength steel flexures that provide as close as possible to ideal pin-end support. These load cells are electrically connected to Lebow Model 66 digital strain indicators. The resulting calibration and operation of this dynamometer system have been very satisfactory.

Power for the cylinder was supplied via shaft from an electric motor source external to the tunnel.

The electric motor system to drive the cylinder was mounted on the rigid platform of the dynamometer. Thus it does not affect the force or moment

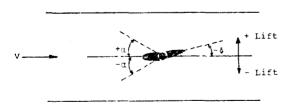
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readings at all. It drives the cylinder by means of a timing belt assembly and a long shaft that passes through a hole that was drilled in the 3.81cm(11/2) dynamometer attachment shaft mentioned before. Bench testing revealed that with the entire unit, foil, dynamometer, and power system assembled the cylinder could be driven in excess of 7,000rpm, and the whole assembly was as rigid as expected. The ratio of the tangential speed of the cylinder to the free stream speed (which may be the most important quantity) was decided as the values of 0.75, 1.0, 1.5 and 2.0 with a zero cylinder rpm run as a reference.

The above ratios correspond to cylinder rpm's of 2062, 2750, 4125 and 5500, respectively. This rpm was measured with a Hewlett-Packard counter and magnetic pick-up reading off a sixty tooth gear. Although the flap could deflect up to 50 degrees, test was done at zero and 40 degrees of flap deflection due to the long required time to finish each condition. The flap was positively fixed at each angle of deflection to the mounting plate by two Allen bolts. Tests were conducted at each of the two flap deflections for each of the five cylinder RPM values and for the complete range of angles of attack as constrained by the data reduction program.

IV. Test Results

In order to present the test results, a sign convention has been adopted as shown in Figure 4.



Tunnel Section from above

Fig.4 Sign Convention

As Previously mentioned, raw test data were reduced to detail hydrodynamic properties through the data reduction Program. This program includes the corrections for the load cell readings for zero

drift, for the temperature effect on the flow speed and for the tunnel wall effect. One sample output is shown in Table 1. However, the entire computer output will not be included here due to limited space.

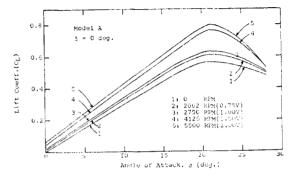


Fig. 5. Lift Coefficient

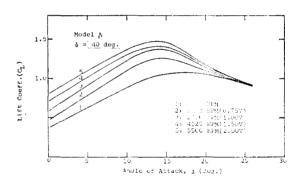


Fig. 6. Life Coefficient

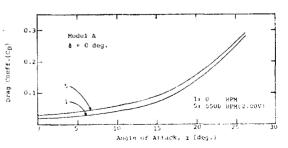


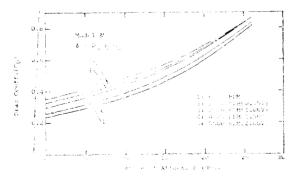
Fig. 7. Drag Coefficient

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Table 1. Sample Computer Output of Hydrodynamic Characteristics

Model B Delta 0 deg. 0 RPM
PRIOR DATA CORRECTED FOR TUNNEL INTERFERENCE

| ALPHA | CL | CD | СМ | CPL | CY | L/D | CMF | RN*10 **-6 | CLSO |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------|---------|------|---------------|---------|
| 0.00 | 0.000 | 0.0405 | 0.0 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 0.005 | 0.0 | 0. 948 | 0.0000 |
| 2.03 | 0.033 | 0.0402 | 0. 0333 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 0.815 | 0.0 | 0. 948 | 0.0011 |
| 4.06 | 0.060 | 0.0409 | 0.0665 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 1.458 | 0.0 | 0. 948 | 0.0036 |
| 6. 10 | 0.104 | 0.0443 | 0. 1001 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 2. 345 | 0.0 | 0. 947 | 0.0108 |
| 8. 15 | 0. 153 | 0.0506 | 0. 1311 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3. 017 | 0.0 | 0. 948 | 0.0233 |
| 10. 21 | 0. 213 | 0.0606 | 0.1610 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3. 522 | 0.0 | 0.946 | 0.0455 |
| 12. 27 | 0. 285 | 0.0748 | 0. 1923 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3.807 | 0.0 | 0.947 | 0.0810 |
| 14. 34 | 0.354 | 0.0901 | 0. 2206 | -0.675 | 0.026 | 3. 935 | 0.0 | 0.949 | 0.1255 |
| 16. 41 | 0.431 | 0.1092 | 0. 2452 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3. 950 | 0.0 | 0.947 | 0. 1861 |
| 18. 47 | 0.497 | 0. 1296 | 0. 2641 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3. 838 | 0.0 | 0. 948 | 0. 2478 |
| 20. 54 | 0.568 | 0. 1525 | 0. 2880 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 3.724 | 0.0 | 5. 947 | 0.3226 |
| 22. 58 | 0.609 | 0.1730 | 0.3010 | -0.670 | -0.026 | 3. 520 | 0.0 | 0.948 | 0.3707 |
| 24. 51 | 0. 538 | 0.3256 | 0. 2301 | -0.675 | -0.026 | 1.638 | 0.0 | 0. 946 | 0. 2890 |
| -2.03 | -0.035 | 0.0413 | -0.0334 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -0.845 | 0.0 | 0. 946 | 0.0012 |
| -4.06 | -0.062 | 0.0433 | -0.0648 | − 0. 67 5 | -0.026 | -1.432 | 0.0 | 0. 946 | 0.0038 |
| −6. 10 | -0.099 | 0.0480 | -0.0965 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -2.064 | 0.0 | 0. 945 | 0.0098 |
| -8. 17 | -0.171 | 0.0544 | -0.1272 | − 0. 67 5 | -0.026 | -3. 147 | 0.0 | 0.948 | 0.029 |
| -10.23 | -0.245 | 0.0636 | -0.1609 | − 0. 675 | -0.026 | -3.849 | 0.0 | 0.947 | 0.0599 |
| -12.30 | -0.317 | 0.0729 | -0.1889 | − 0. 67 5 | -0.026 | -4.344 | 0.0 | 0. 945 | 0.100 |
| -14.38 | -0.397 | 0. 0855 | -0.2207 | − 0. 67 5 | -0.026 | -4. 643 | 0.0 | 0. 945 | 0.157 |
| 16. 44 | -0.460 | 0.1008 | -0.2449 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -4.565 | 0.0 | 0. 947 | 0.211 |
| -18.50 | -0.531 | 0. 1216 | -0.2658 | − 0. 67 5 | -0.026 | -4.368 | 0.0 | 0. 945 | 0. 282 |
| -20.55 | -0.584 | 0. 1384 | -0.2853 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -4.215 | 0.0 | 0. 945 | 0.340 |
| -22.60 | -0.630 | 0. 1610 | -0.3000 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -3.912 | 0.0 | 0. 947 | 0.396 |
| -24.38 | -0.396 | 0. 3051 | -0.1885 | -0.675 | -0.026 | -1.300 | 0.0 | 0. 946 | 0. 157 |
| or conn | | LPHA=0 | D/DAI | | D/DALPH. | A**2 | | | |
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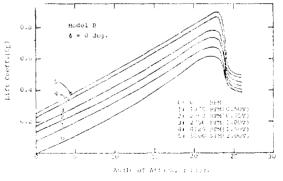


Fig. 9. Lift Coefficie nt

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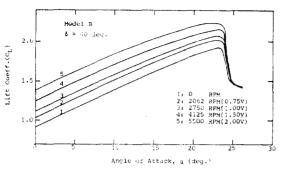


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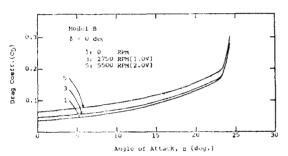


Fig. 11. Drag Coefficient

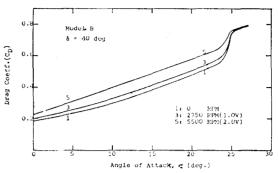


Fig. 12. Drag Coefficient

Instead, some performance characteristics from the output will be summarized in the form of Table and Figure. The lift and draß coefficients for 0 degree and 40 degrees flap deflections for Model A and B are shown in Figure 5 to 12. Also, comparisons of some typical characteristics between Model A and Model B are shown in Table 2, and Figures 13 and 14.

Table 2. Comparison of Principal Hydrodynamic Characteristics between Model A and Model B Flap Deflection, $\delta=0$ deg.

| Model RPM | |] | Model A | | | Model B | | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| Characteristics | 0 | 2062 | 2750 | 4125 | 5500 | 0 | 2062 | 2750 | 4125 | 5500 | |
| (C_L) max | 0.604 | 0.669 | 0.724 | 0.811 | 0.850 | 0.630 | 0.752 | 0.809 | 0.882 | 0.904 | |
| $lpha$ at (C_L) max | 20.0 | 22. 9 | 22. 9 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 22.6 | 22.7 | 22.8 | 22.8 | 22.9 | |
| (C_L) at $\alpha=0$ | 0.0 | 0.025 | 0.047 | 0.073 | 0.090 | 0.0 | 0. 152 | 0. 181 | 0. 238 | 0. 261 | |
| C_D at (C_L) max | 0. 146 | 0. 172 | 0. 178 | 0. 218 | 0. 223 | 0. 161 | 0.162 | 0.164 | 0. 181 | 0.185 | |
| α at stall | 22.0 | 22. 0 | 21.0 | 21.0 | 21.0 | 22.6 | 22.7 | 22. 8 | 22.8 | 22.9 | |

Flap Deflection, $\delta=40$ deg.

| Model | | N | Model A | | | Model B | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|
| RPM Characteristics | 0 | 2062 | 2750 | 4125 | 5500 | 0 | 2062 | 2750 | 4125 | 5500 |
| (C_L) max | 1.200 | 1.363 | 1. 440 | 1.480 | 1. 505 | 1.440 | 1.530 | 1.580 | 1.660 | 1.730 |
| α at (C_L) max | 21.5 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 20.0 | 23.3 | 23.4 | 23.5 | 22.8 | 22.8 |
| (C_L) at $\alpha=0$ | 0.500 | 0.711 | 0.890 | 0.993 | 1.003 | 0.411 | 0.530 | 0.610 | 0.740 | 0.870 |
| C_D at (C_L) max | 0.586 | 0.584 | 0.630 | 0.646 | 0.658 | 0.548 | 0.568 | 0. 567 | 0.594 | 0.606 |
| lpha at stall | 22.0 | 22. 0 | 21.0 | 21.0 | 21.0 | 23.3 | 23. 4 | 23. 5 | 22.8 | 22.8 |

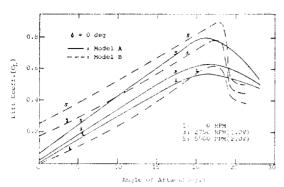


Fig. 13. Comprison of Lift Coefficient

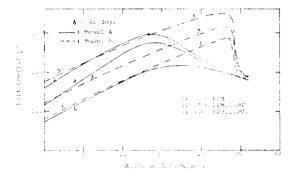


Fig. 14. Comparison of Lift Coefficient

V. Application to Tanker Model

In order to estimate the improvement in maneuvering performance of a ship with its application, a large modern tanker has been selected as a model. The characteristics of the model ship are shown in Table 3 and Fig. 15(4). Recently, certain definitive maneuvers have been devised to demonstrate a ship's maneuverability and accepted by the naval architects.

The definitive maneuvers employed for both surface ships and submarines are.

- 1. Spiral maneuver
- 2. zig-zag maneuver
- 3. turning maneuver

Essentially, these maneuvers establish the basic stability and control characteristics of a ship in dependent of its operator. Although ali three maneuvers are important for both commercial and naval ships, only the steady turning maneuver will be considered quantitavively, because it has traditionally received the most attention in ship maneuverability and because its analytical treatment can be done more readily. Both linear and nonlinear theories are available. For the conventional displacement type ships, the steady turning diameter is usually order of several ship lengths even at the maximum rudder deflection. Therefore, the linear theory is quite adequate and will be utilized.

Table 3. Characteristics of Model Ship (without Bulb)

| Hull Form | | Series 60 (8) |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|
| LPP, | m | 307.00 |
| LWL, | m | 309. 45 |
| B(molded), | m | 44.50 |
| H(molded), | m | 13.00 |
| Volume, | m^3 | 123, 800 |
| Displacement, | * tons | 127, 000 |
| C_B^* | | 0.697 |
| C_{P}^{*} | | 0.707 |
| C_M^* | j | 0. 985 |
| $C_V \times 10^{34}$ | | 4. 177 |

^{*}based on LPP

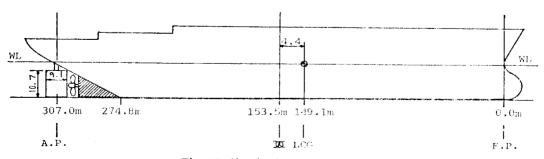


Fig. 15. Sketch of Model Ship profile

Since linear theory is applicable only to stable ships, the motion stability (straight-line stability) should be checked first. The stability criterion, C, may be expressed as (5).

$$C=Y_v'(N_r'-m'x_G')-N_v'(Y_r'-m')>0$$
 and it will be shown later (Table 4) that this criterion has been satisfied. In linear theory, sh!p's

steady turning radius is expressed as (5)

$$R = \frac{L}{\alpha} \cdot \frac{Y_{v}'(Nr' - m'x_{G}') - N_{v}'(Y_{r}' - m')}{Y_{v}'N\alpha' - N_{v}'Y\alpha'}$$

However, the above equation is the expression for the ship with a conventional rudder (or rudders) and cannot be applied directly. In order to utilize the rest results for the rudder with a rotating

Table 4. Summary of Hydrodynamic Derivatives and Related Nondimensional Quantities PNA's Notation Flap deflection, δ =40 deg.

| D | α | Y 11 | Chan | | Rudder | | m . 1 | | |
|-------------------------------|-------|------|------|-------|----------|----------|-------|--|--|
| Derivatives × 10 ⁵ | (deg) | Hull | Skeg | 0 RPM | 2750 RPM | 5500 RPM | Total | | |
| Y,' | | -607 | -461 | | -198 | | -1266 | | |
| $Y_{r'}$ | | -9 | 221 | | 104 | | 316 | | |
| $N_{\nu}{}'$ | | -581 | 221 | | 104 | | -256 | | |
| $N_{r'}$ | | -86 | -106 | | -55 | | -247 | | |
| | 0 (| | | 42 | 63 | 91 | | | |
| | 5 | | | 68 | 88 | 116 | | | |
| $\bar{Y}_{R}'^{*}$ | 10 | | | 92 | 112 | 139 | | | |
| | 15 | | | 115 | 135 | 159 | | | |
| | 20 | | | 138 | 154 | 176 | | | |
| | 0 | 200 | | -22 | -33 | -48 | | | |
| | 5 | | j | -36 | -46 | -61 | | | |
| $\bar{N}_{R}'^*$ | 10 | | | -48 | -59 | -73 | | | |
| | 15 | | | -60 | -71 | -84 | | | |
| | 20 | | | -72 | | -93 | | | |
| m' | | | | 369 | | | | | |
| $x_{G'}$ | | | | 0 | | | | | |
| C | 3. 11 | | | | | | | | |

^{*} determined from experiment

Table 5. Steady Turning Characteristics of the Tanker Model Rudder Model B Flap Deflection, δ=40 deg.
Approach Speed=23.5 knots

| α (deg.) | Stea | dy Turning Dia (m) | meter | $\frac{\text{Turning Diameter}}{\text{Ship Length}} \left(\frac{D}{L}\right)$ | | | |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|--|
| | 0 RPM | 2750 RPM | 5,500 RPM | 0 RPM | 2,750 RPM | 5,500 RPM | |
| 0 | 4, 757 | 3, 171 | 2, 185 | 15. 49 | 10.33 | 7. 12 | |
| 5 | 2,915 | 2, 273 | 1,717 | 9.50 | 7.41 | 5. 60 | |
| 10 | 2, 178 | 1,777 | 1, 435 | 7.1 | 5.79 | 4. 67 | |
| 15 | 1,742 | 1, 476 | 1, 249 | 5. 68 | 4.81 | 4,07 | |
| 20 | 1, 452 | 1, 294 | 1, 127 | 4.73 | 4. 21 | 3. 67 | |

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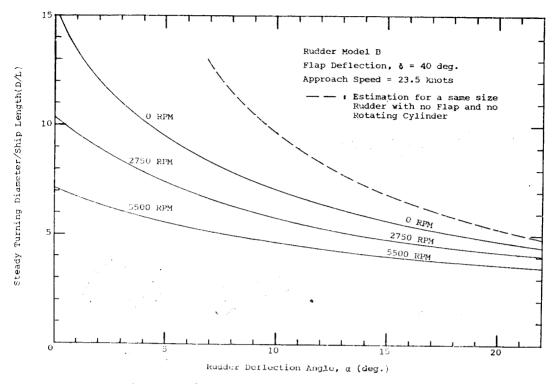


Fig. 16. Steady Turning Characteristics of the Tanker Model

cylinder, therefore, it is necessary to silghtly modify the above expression as,

$$D = 2L \cdot \frac{Y_{v}'(N_{r}' - m'x_{G}') - N_{v}'(Y_{r}' - m')}{Y_{v}'\bar{N}_{R}' - N_{v}'\bar{Y}_{R}'}$$

Where.

 $\bar{Y}_{R'}$ =nondimensional lateral force of rudder $\bar{N}_{R'}$ =nondimensional yaw moment due to lateral force of rudder

The hydrodynamic derivatives for the tanker model have been analytically estimated mostly based on the theory discussed in reference 6 and summarized in Table 4. A typical example for the detailed procedures of estimation is shown in reference 7. With the above modified equation and with the hydrodynamic derivatives summarized in Table 4, the steady turning characteristics of the ship can be calculated, and are Presented in Table 5 and Figure 16.

VI. Discussions and Conclusions

Before making any conclusion, some effects on

the rudder Performance should be discussed first.

(1) Effect of Reynolds Number

Generally, the performance of a lifting surface is not much affected by Reynolds number, that is, lift and drag for any lifting surfaces of given shape are Primarily dependent on the angle of attack as long as no separation or no stall occur. However, the effect of Reynolds number on the maximum lift and stall angle is serious. Free-stream rudder tests indicate qualitatively that the higher the Reynolds number is, the larger the angle of attack at which stall occurs and, hance, the greater the maximum attainable lift is.

(2) Scale Effect

Reynolds number for the model rudder (6×10^5 at corresponding model speed to ship speed) is much less than that for the full scale rudder(1×10^8 for the ship speed of 23.5 Knots).

At low Reynolds number, the flow about a model rudder may be laminar than turbulent. Since laminar flow is much more susceptible to separation than is

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turbulent flow, this may be a factor in inducing premature stall in model tests of rudder.

(3) Effect of Aspect ratio

There is an inverse relation between the aspect ratio and the stall angle, that is, the higher the aspect ratio is, the smaller the angle of attack at which stall occurs is.

With the above preliminary discussions, and from the analysis and application of test results, the following conclusions are made:

- 1. Higher lift coefficient always occurs at higher cylinder rpm for all flap angles.
- 2. In general, increasing cylinder rpm increases the Lift/Drag ratio and thereby increase the efficiency of the rudder at the maximum lift point.
- 3. The effect of rotation of cylinder is little for zero flap deflection angle and becomes more and more significant with increasing flap deflection angle. This result is quite obvious because large cylinder area can be exposed to the fluid with higher flap deflection algle.
- 4. It is disappointing that increasing cylinder rpm has negligible effect on the stall angle. This situation may be explained that this system can affect the flow pattern after cylinder, but may not be able to considerably influence the flow characteristics before the cylinder.
- 5. In most cases, model B has higher lift and lower drag coefficients than Model A. This is particularly true for larger flap deflection. Clearly, the effect of too large flap is unfavorable on hydrodynamic characteristics. There must be a optimum flap size. However, it is not possible to determine the optimum flap size with this single study.
- 6. As shown in Fig. 16, the steady turning diameter of a ship can be reduced remarkably with the application of the rotating cylinder rudder, and this improvement is more significant at lower rudder deflection. The actual improvement in maneuvering performance of a full scale ship is expected to be

greater than that Predicted by this study due to reasons of previous discussions and others. Since the required power in rotating the cylinder is quite negligible compared with that of ship propulsion, the application of a rotating cylinder is well justified. The complication in mechanism of steering system and structral strength are other problems.

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