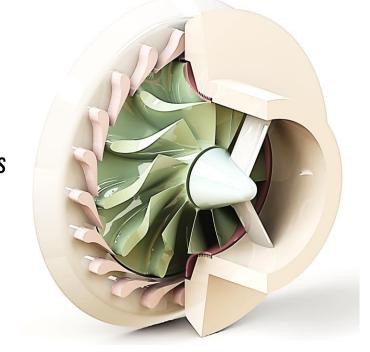




A HYBRID APPROACH TO OPTIMISATION OF UNDERWATER COMPRESSED AIR ENERGY STORAGE TURBINE

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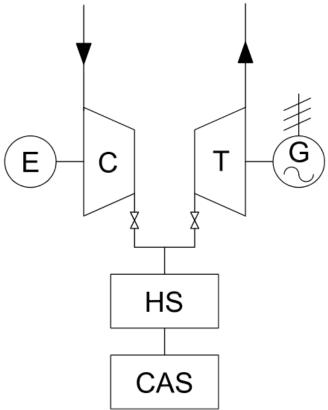




Introduction and Motivation



- Pumped-hydro storage systems (PH), Battery, Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)
- UWCAES (Underwater Compressed Air Energy Storage)
- Constant pressure, low-cost air storage, easy to expand
- Hydrostor, Canada (Ontario), 6 underwater balloons, 400m², 1320 kWh
- Optimisation allows us to improve efficiency of the machines



E - engine T - turbine G - generator HS - heat storage CAS - compressed air storage

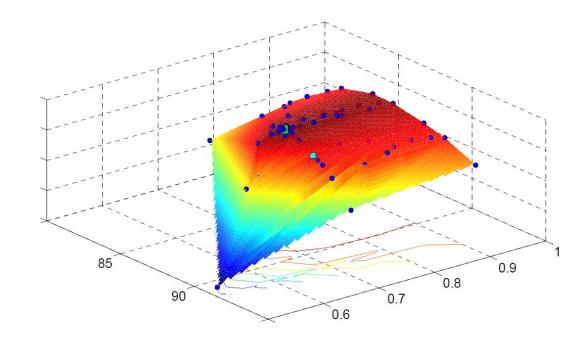




Optimisation



- Procedure for finding maximum/minimum of objective function
- Objective function, penalty function, boundaries
- Methods of optmisation wide range
- Reduction of flow losses:
 - profile loss
 - boundary loss
 - exit kinetic energy losses



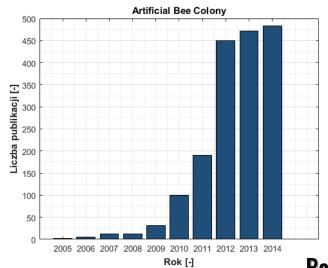


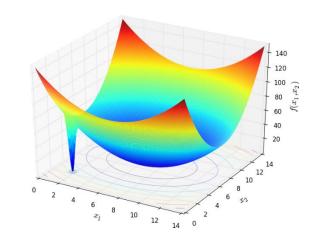


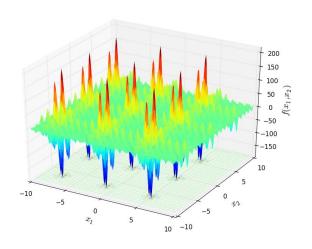
Methods of optimisation



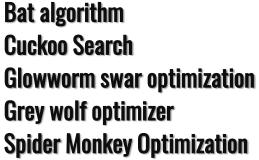
- Deterministic Methods: Nelder-Mead, Hooke-Jeevesa.
- Stochastic methods: Swarm intelligence, Genetic methods.







Hybrid methods:



Nelder Mead Hooke-Jeeves

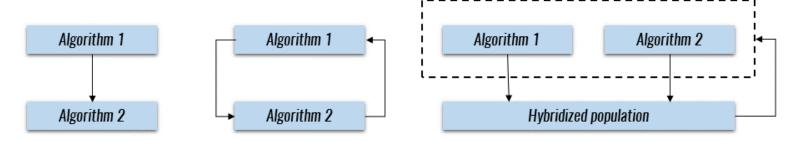


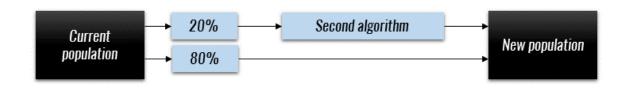


Hybrid algorithms



- Collectively and cooperatively solving a predefined problem
- Collaborative Hybrids: multi-stage, sequential, paralel structures
- Integrative Hybrids: full manipulation, partial manipulation
- Chalanges: namin convention, complexity, coputational speed









Hybrid algorithm



- A NEW METAHEURISTIC BAT-INSPIRED ALGORITHM Xin-She Yang, Nature Inspired Cooperative Strategies for Optimization (NISCO 2010), (Eds. J. R. Gonzalez et al.), Studies in Computational Intelligence, Springer Berlin,284, Springer, 65-74 (2010)
- A SIMPLEX METHOD FOR FUNCTION MINIMIZATION Nelder, J.A. and Mead, R., Comput. J., 7, pp. 308 – 313
 - 1. Initialize the bat population x
 - 2. Define pulse frequency
 - 3. Initialize pulse rates (r) and loudness (A)
 - 4. While (t < Max number of iterations

Generate new solutions by adjusting frequency and updating velocities and locations

If rand > r

Select a solution among the best solutions. Generate a local solution around the best solution.

End if

Generate a new solution by flying randomly

If rand < A and f(x_new < x_new_previous)

Accept the new solution.

• Elseif

Neldera – Mead Method

End if

Rank the bats and find current best

5. End while



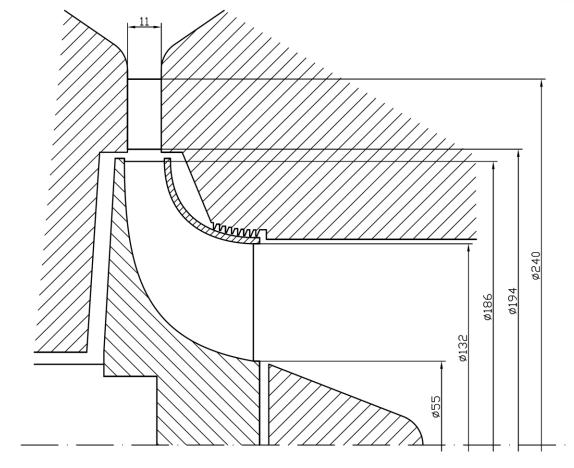


Case study



- Radial axial air turbine, 1 stage
- Number of rotor blades 11
- Number of stator blades 20
- Design parameters:

Rotational speed	44000 rpm
Inlet pressure	701.54 kPa
Inlet temperature	476.95 K
Outlet pressure	101.33 kPa
Mass flow	1.48 kg/s
Power	270 kW



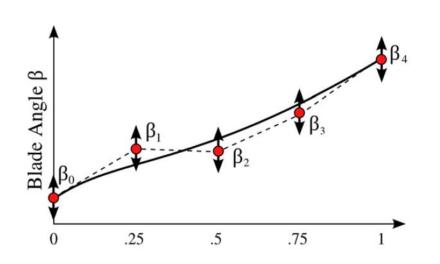


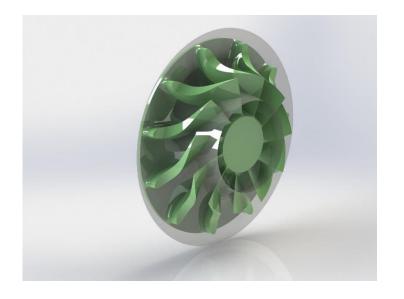


Parametrization



- Parametrization is a key to success of optimisation
- The blade camber line at the hub, the medium height of blade and blade tip is defined by the blade angle β
- The β distribution is parametrized by a Bezier curve with five control points, one each at leading and trailing edge
- 15 changing points





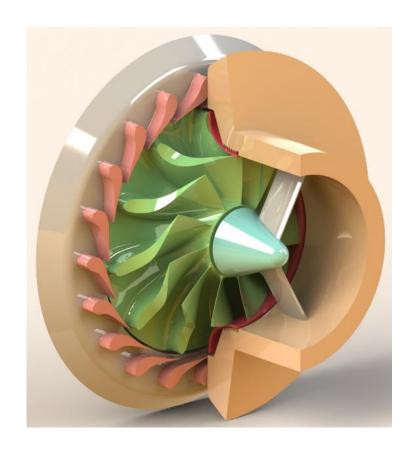




Methodology



- RANS (Reynolds-averaged Navier-Stokes) stationary simulations in ANSYS CFX v.16
- k-ω SST turbulence model
- Periodicity conditions
- ANSYS Turbogrid v.16 software is used for meshing
- Boundary conditions:
 - inlet total pressure, total temperature
 - outlet static pressure
 - other rotational speed

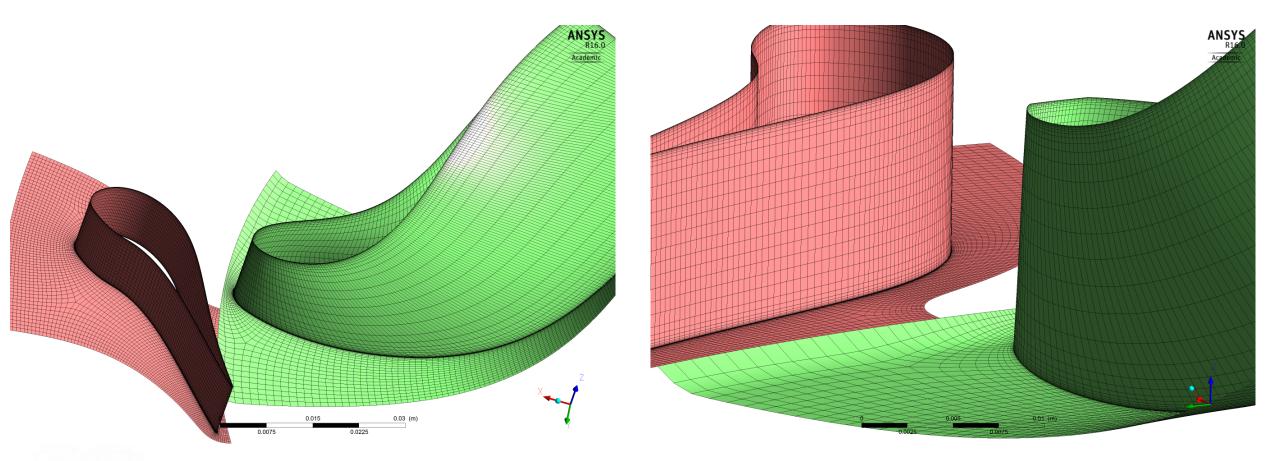






Discretization





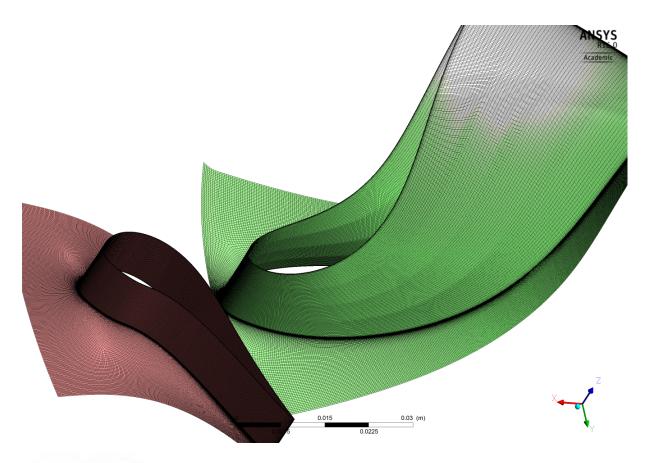


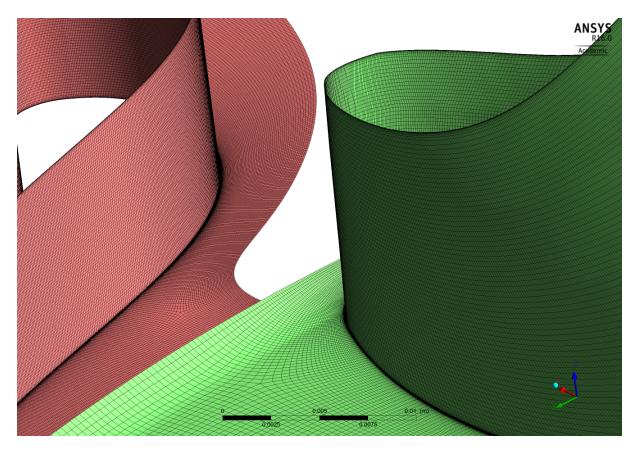
Mesh – 0.6 mln elements in stage



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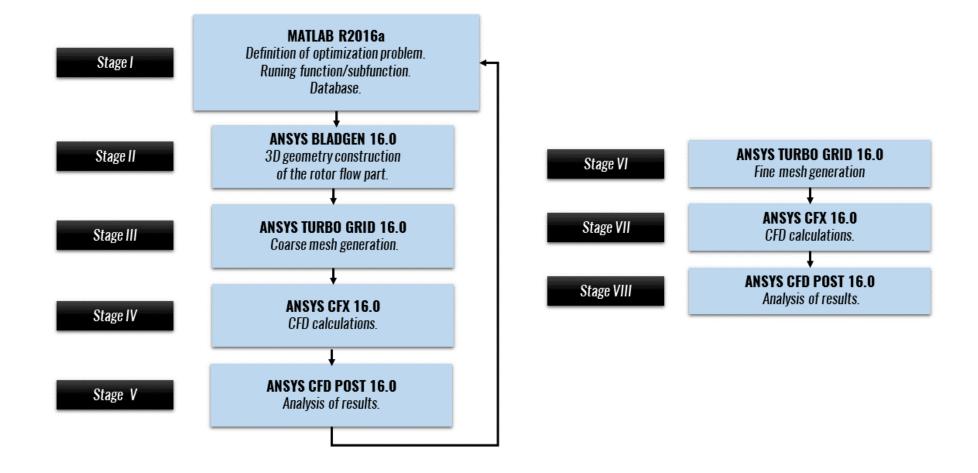


Mesh – 20 mln elements in stage



Scheme of optimization & verification



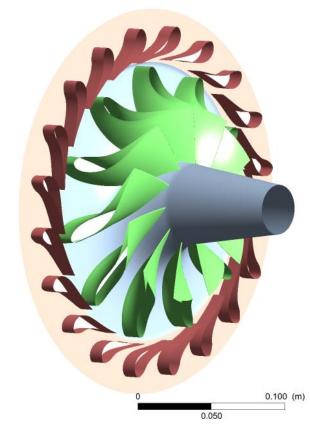




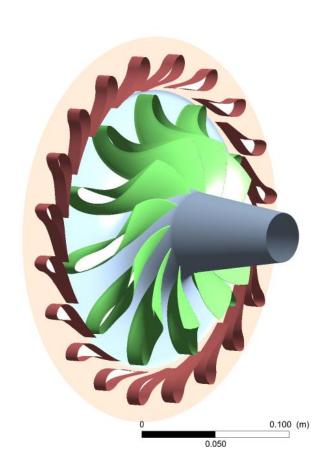


Results





Original



Optimized

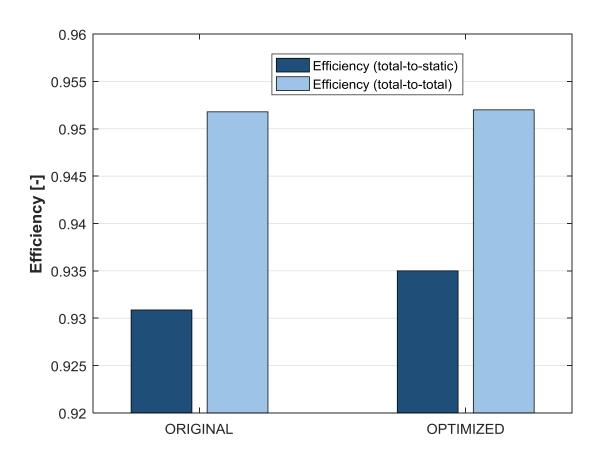


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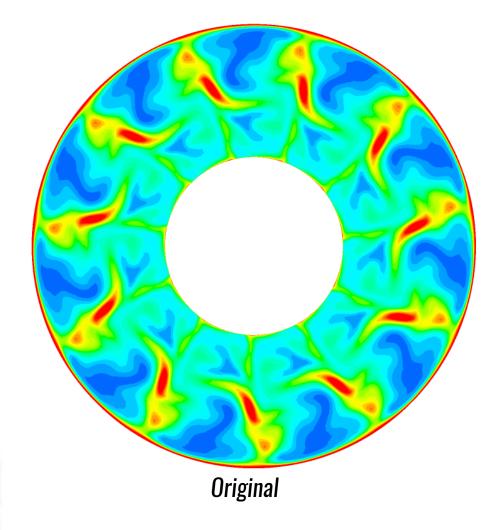


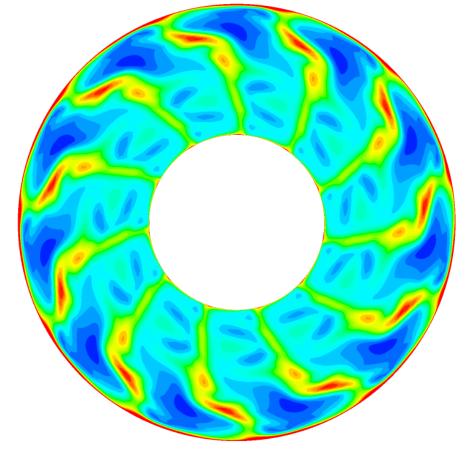




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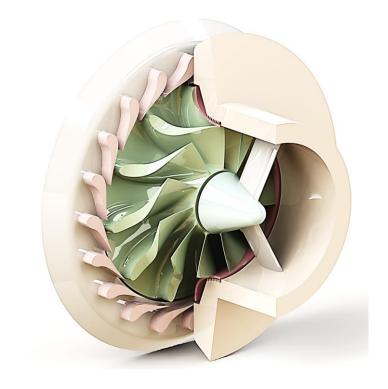
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Conclusion



- The results show an improvement of objective function
- The hybrid algorythm are suitable for turbine optimization
- Finding the global minimum is very difficult and time-consuming
- The algorithm needs some changes to avoid unnecessary calculation of objective function
- Future studies should take into account new parametrization:
 - number of blades
 - meridional contour









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