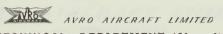


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SUMMARY

This note includes descriptions of the gear used in dynamic balancing of models for the NAE spinning tunnel, a summary of the conditions of similitude, and charts for use in adjusting the centre of gravity and moment of inertia of models.

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1.0 SPINNING MODEL DYNAMIC BALANCING GEAR

1.1 In order to adjust the moments of inertia of a spinning model for dynamic similarity to the full-scale aircraft the model is supported as a compound pendulum and its mass distribution is adjusted until its period of oscillation about three axes successively bears the appropriate relation to the calculated moment of inertia of the system:

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{WL}}$$

where T = period of oscillation

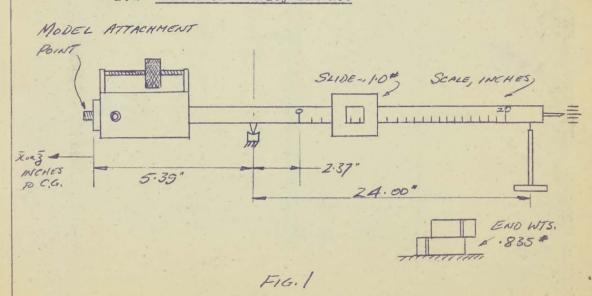
I = moment of inertia about swinging axis of model and support system.

W = weight of model and support system.

L = distance from centre of gravity of model and support system to swinging axis.

The centre of gravity of the model is adjusted on a special balance before adjustment of the moment of inertia. This note records measured values of particulars of the support systems.

1.2 Centre of Gravity Balance

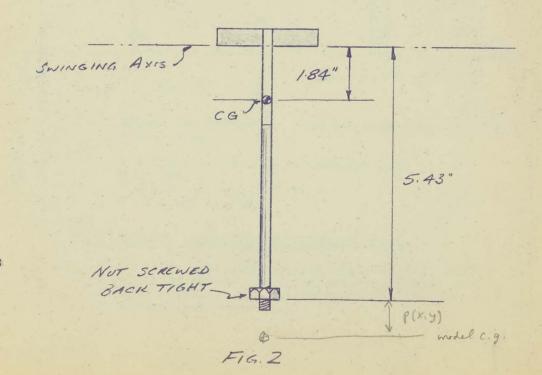


Procedure:

- 1. Balance without model but with attachments in place, slide at zero, and no balance weights.
- 2. Add model.
- 3. Movement of slide gives inch-pounds directly, required moment having been determined from Fig. 4.
- 4. Addition of each end weight gives 20 in. 1b.

1.3 X-axis and Y-axis Attachment

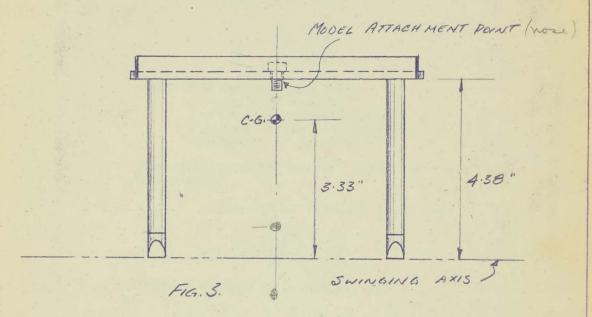
I = 0.00028 slug-ft² re swinging axis W = 0.173 lb.L = 1.84 in. = 0.153 ft. WL = 0.026 ft.-lb.



1.4 Z-axis Attachment

Values for attachment alone:

I = 0.00134 slug-ft² re swinging axis W = 0.441 lb. L = 3.33 in. = 0.278 ft. WL = 0.123 ft.-lb.



Values for attachment plus 5/8 inch long Allen screw:

I = 0.00139 slug-ft2 re swinging axis W = 0.454 lb.L = 3.38 in. = 0.282 ft.WL = 0.128 ft.-lb.

2.0 DYNAMIC SIMILITUDE IN SPINNING MODELS

For dynamic similitude of full-scale spins by models, ignoring compressibility and scale effects, the following conditions must obtain (Reference 1).

$$\frac{w_{m}}{\rho_{m}l_{m}^{3}} = \frac{w_{f}}{\rho_{f}l_{f}^{3}}$$

$$\frac{w_{m}}{\rho_{m} l_{m}^{2} v_{m}^{2}} = \frac{w_{f}}{\rho_{f} l_{f}^{2} v_{f}^{2}}$$

$$\frac{k_{\rm m}}{\ell_{\rm m}} = \frac{k_{\rm f}}{\ell_{\rm f}}$$

where W = weight of aircraft

p = air mass density

 ℓ = representative length

V = free stream true airspeed

k = radius of gyration

and subscripts "m" and "f" refer to "model" and "full-scale".

The above relations imply that

$$V_{m} = V_{f} \sqrt{\frac{\ell_{m}}{\ell_{f}}} = \frac{V_{f}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

where n is the scale factor, and

$$W_{m} = \frac{\rho_{m}}{\rho_{f}} \frac{W_{f}}{n^{3}}$$

and also:

$$I_m = \frac{\rho_m}{\rho_f} \frac{I_f}{n^5}$$

3.0 ADJUSTMENT OF MOMENT OF INERTIA

The determination of the required period of oscillation of the model as a compound pendulum has been reduced to graphical form depending on the

weight, radius of gyration, and moment arm of the model. The period of the pendulum system is

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{WL}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{k^2}{gL}}$$

where k = radius of gyration of system L = moment arm of system

This relation may be written

$$T^{2} = \frac{4\pi^{2}}{g} \left(\frac{k_{mc.g.}^{2} + L_{m}^{2} + \frac{W_{s}}{W_{m}} k_{s}^{2}}{L_{m} + \frac{W_{s}}{W_{m}} L_{s}} \right)$$

or
$$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{g} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{k_{m_c.g.}^2 + L_m^2} & 1 + \frac{w_s k_s^2}{w_m (k_{m_c.g.}^2 + L_m^2)} \\ \frac{1}{k_m} & 1 + \frac{w_s L_s}{w_m L_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

where km = radius of gyration of model about model c.g.

L_m = moment arm of model c.g. about swinging axis

Ws = weight of suspension gear .

The function

$$T_1^2 = \frac{4\pi^2}{g} \left[\frac{k_{\text{mc.g.}}^2 + L_m^2}{L_m} \right]$$

is plotted in Fig. 5 and the effect of the suspension is given as a correction

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