

FLUID FACILITIES AND MACHINERY

GUIDE TO LABORATORY PRACTICALS

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SELF – ASSESSMENT

THEME 3: TURBINES – PELTON TURBINE

1. A Pelton turbine is:
 - a. An action turbine because the energy exchange takes place at atmospheric pressure.
 - b. An action turbine because part of the energy exchange is produced by the pressure variation existing between the inlet and outlet of the runner.
 - c. A reaction turbine because part of the energy exchange is produced by the pressure variation existing between the inlet and outlet of the runner.
 - d. A reaction turbine because the exchanged energy occurs at atmospheric pressure.

2. The main purpose of the injector of a Pelton turbine is:
 - a. To direct the fluid towards the runner shaft.
 - b. To profile the streamlines in order to arrange them in parallel and thus minimise energy losses.
 - c. To create a jet with a diameter slightly higher than the size of the impeller buckets to generate maximum mechanical power.
 - d. To transform the pressure energy of the fluid into kinetic energy and regulate the flow rate.

3. At the optimum point of operation:
 - a. The mechanical power is maximum.
 - b. The efficiency is maximum.
 - c. The torque is maximum.
 - d. The hydraulic power is maximum.

4. The point of maximum performance:
 - a. Matches with the point of maximum mechanical power.
 - b. Matches with the maximum torque.
 - c. Matches with the maximum hydraulic power.
 - d. None of the above.

5. In the conditions that works the Pelton turbine described in the practice, and regarding the hydraulic power:
 - a. It will decrease at decreasing speed of rotation, for a specific injector position.
 - b. It will increase at increasing flow rate.
 - c. It will decrease at increasing head.
 - d. It varies only with the position of the injector.

6. In the conditions that works the Pelton turbine described in the practice, and regarding the torque:
 - a. For a given position of the injector, it will decrease with the speed of rotation.
 - b. For a given position of the injector, it will increase with the speed of rotation.
 - c. For a given position of the injector, it will be constant.
 - d. For a given position of the injector, its trend is parabolic.

7. In the conditions that works the Pelton turbine described in the practice, and regarding the mechanical power:
 - a. At zero flow, its value is zero.
 - b. It depends only on the torque.
 - c. Its evolution follows a straight trend line.
 - d. It depends on the outlet diameter of the injector.

8. In the conditions that works the Pelton turbine described in the practice, and regarding its performance:
 - a. At zero flow, its value is maximum.
 - b. It is the relation between the hydraulic power and the mechanical power.
 - c. It is the relation between the mechanical power and the hydraulic power.
 - d. Its evolution follows a straight trend line.