

BUILDING AERODYNAMICS

WIND TUNNEL MEASUREMENT OF TENSIONED ROOF

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- Preparation of model for measurement
- > Wind tunnel measurement
- > To visualize the wind loading
- To make a contour plot of the mean pressure and the pressure fluctuation coefficient



- \succ The model scale is in 1:300 ratio
- The building model consist of two parts: the lower part of the building model is a block with horizontal flat roof surrounded by inclined roof (Plexiglass)
- \succ The model of tent roof was manufactured of lumber





TENSIONED ROOF MODEL

As the model is symmetrical along both axes there are pressure taps in one quarter of the model





Number of taps -57







The pressure taps in the model were connected with the tubes and then to the Scanivalve

MEASURING SETUP

 The model has been fixed to the turntable integrated in the fixed plate representing the ground
By rotating the turntable, the wind direction (angle of attack) can be changed





- The bottom surface of the setup is covered to avoid the disturbance due to the wind force
- The turntable attached to the stepper motor can rotate the model 360° so that different angles can be measured according to the requirement









To create boundary layer roughness elements were place in the test section as turbulent generators





Pitot static probe is kept at a distance of 309 mm as reference

From the boundary layer data based on the model height of about 70mm respective u/uref is determined which is 0.645641741

MEASUREMENT



The turntable is rotated initially 45[°] to get the wind loading distribution for flow from that angle

To get the flow all around the building 3 more measurements are taken at angles 135°, 225°, 315°



CALCULATION

The measurement data include the

- Mean pressure(P_mean)
- > Pressure fluctuation(P_RMS)
- Reference pressure(P_ref)





From those dynamic pressure is calculated P_dyn from P_ref and U/Uref

Pressure coefficients are calculated as ration of P_mean to P_dyn and P_RMS to Pdyn

PRESSURE COEFFICIENT AT PRESSURE TAPS





MEAN PRESSURE COEFFICIENT

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PRESSURE FLUCTUATION COEFFICIENT

MEAN PRESSURE COEFFICIENT- Min













CONCLUSION

- The measurement were taken in the wind tunnel using the software. From the measurement readings, pressure coefficients were calculated and Contour plots were made
- Positive pressure coefficient is observed in the wind direction and depression where there would be flow separation

THANK YOU