

5. I will denote the thrust by  $\hat{T}$  and the radius of the propeller by  $r$ . Then, the dimensions are as follows.

$$\hat{T} \rightarrow \frac{M \cdot L}{T^2} \quad ; \quad V \rightarrow \frac{L}{T} \quad ; \quad v \rightarrow \frac{L^2}{T}$$

$$r \rightarrow L \quad ; \quad g \rightarrow \frac{L}{T^2} \tag{1}$$

$$n \rightarrow \frac{1}{T} \quad ; \quad \rho \rightarrow \frac{M}{L^3}$$

a) Here we use the procedure outlined in the text. Hence, we should consider  $\hat{T}/\rho r^2 v^2$  as a function of model variables and parameters (note that we don't have the DE for this prob.). Thus, based on the given information:

$$\frac{\hat{T}}{\rho r^2 v^2} = \Phi(r, n, V, g, \rho, v) \tag{2}$$

b) Dimensional Analysis: Assume  $\Phi$  has the general form,

$$\Phi = \pi_1^{\alpha_1} \cdot \pi_2^{\alpha_2} \cdots \pi_n^{\alpha_n}$$

where each  $\pi_i$  is a dimensionless combination of model variables and parameters, and  $\alpha_i$ 's are arbitrary constants.

i. To get the form of each  $\pi_i$  (or more accurately, one possible form of each  $\pi_i$  since there may be more than one dimensionless combination and hence answer) we proceed as follows.

ii. Let,

$$\pi = r^{c_1} \cdot n^{c_2} \cdot V^{c_3} \cdot g^{c_4} \cdot \rho^{c_5} \cdot v^{c_6} \tag{3}$$

iii. Now, our task is to compute  $c_i$ 's so that  $\Pi$  is dimensionless. Using the dimensions identified above<sup>in (1)</sup>, the dimensions in the RHS of (3) satisfy:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi &= (L)^{c_1} \cdot \left(\frac{L}{T}\right)^{c_2} \cdot \left(\frac{L}{T}\right)^{c_3} \cdot \left(\frac{L}{T^2}\right)^{c_4} \cdot \left(\frac{M}{L^3}\right)^{c_5} \cdot \left(\frac{L^2}{T}\right)^{c_6} \\ &= L^{c_1+c_3+c_4-3c_5+2c_6} \cdot T^{-c_2-c_3-2c_4-c_6} \cdot M^{c_5} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

iv. In order for  $\Pi$  to be dimensionless, each of the three exponents in (4) must be equal to zero. Namely,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \boxed{c_5 = 0} \\ c_1 + c_3 + c_4 - 3c_5 + 2c_6 = 0 \\ -c_2 - c_3 - 2c_4 - c_6 = 0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c_1 = -c_3 - c_4 - 2c_6 \\ c_2 = -c_3 - 2c_4 - c_6 \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

v. Plugging the results in (5) back in (3) we get the dimensionless  $\Pi$  in its most basic form:

$$\Pi = r^{-c_3-c_4-2c_6} \cdot n^{-c_3-2c_4-c_6} \cdot V^{c_3} \cdot g^{c_4} \cdot v^{c_6}$$

$$\boxed{\Pi = \left(\frac{V}{r \cdot n}\right)^{c_3} \cdot \left(\frac{g}{r \cdot n^2}\right)^{c_4} \cdot \left(\frac{v}{r^2 n}\right)^{c_6}} \quad (6)$$

c) Note that each combination of model variables/parameters in (6), i.e.,  $V/rn$ ,  $g/rn^2$ ,  $v/r^2n$  is dimensionless. Hence, any function of these combinations will remain dimensionless. For example, we can select the exponents  $c_3$ ,  $c_4$ , and  $c_6$  as we wish.

d) Our results in (6) are satisfactory. However, in order to get the requested results we further analyze the 2nd and the 3rd terms in the RHS of (6):

$$i. \quad \frac{g}{r n^2} : r \cdot n^2 \rightarrow L \cdot \frac{L}{T^2} = \frac{L}{L} \left( \frac{L}{T} \right)^2 \rightarrow \frac{V^2}{r}$$

$$\therefore \text{From a dimensional pt of view: } \frac{g}{r n^2} \leftrightarrow \frac{g}{V^2/r} = \boxed{\frac{r g}{V^2}} \quad (7)$$

$$ii. \quad \frac{v}{r^2 n} : r^2 \cdot n \rightarrow L^2 \cdot \frac{L}{T} = L \cdot \frac{L}{T} \rightarrow r V$$

$$\therefore \text{From a dimensional pt of view: } \frac{v}{r^2 n} \leftrightarrow \boxed{\frac{v}{r V}} \quad (8)$$

e) Hence, (6) is equivalent (from a dimensional pt of view) to:

$$\boxed{\pi = \left( \frac{V}{r n} \right)^{c_1} \left( \frac{r g}{V^2} \right)^{c_4} \left( \frac{v}{r V} \right)^{c_6}} \quad (9)$$

$$i. \text{ Let, } \pi_1 := \frac{r n}{V} \quad ; \quad \alpha_1 := -c_1$$

$$\pi_2 := \frac{V^2}{r g} \quad ; \quad \alpha_2 := -c_4$$

$$\pi_3 := \frac{r V}{v} \quad ; \quad \alpha_3 := -c_6$$

ii. Then,

$$\frac{\hat{T}}{r r^2 V^2} = \Phi(r, n, V, g, r, v)$$

$$= \phi \left( \frac{r n}{V}, \frac{r g}{V^2}, \frac{r V}{v} \right) \quad (11)$$

$$= \pi_1^{\alpha_1} \cdot \pi_2^{\alpha_2} \cdot \pi_3^{\alpha_3}$$

iii. e.g., wlog  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_3 = 1$ .