

## Chapter 2

# Mathematical Modeling of Convective Heat Transfer in Rotating-Disk Systems

### 2.1 Differential and Integral Equations

#### 2.1.1 Navier–Stokes and Energy Equations in Differential Form

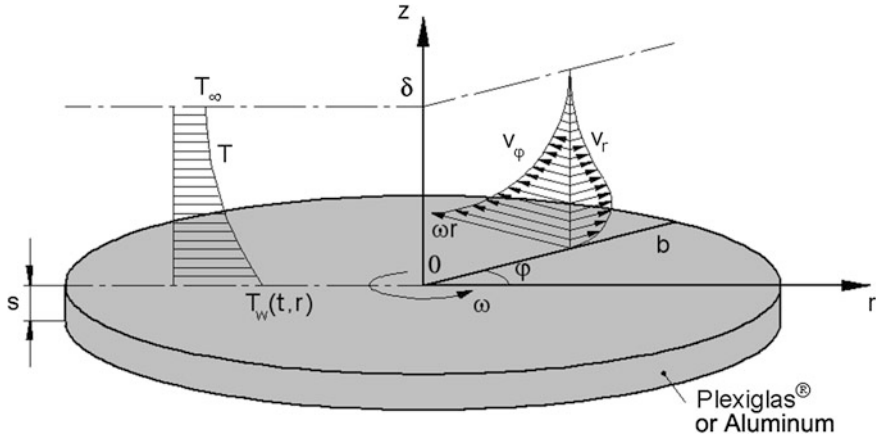
A schematic of a stationary axisymmetric problem of convective heat transfer over rotating disks, whose axis of symmetry serves as the axis  $z$  of a stationary cylindrical coordinate system with the point  $z = 0$  placed on the disk surface, is depicted in Fig. 2.1. The angular velocity is high, so that gravitational effects are negligible, i.e.,  $F_r = F_\phi = F_z = 0$ .

Thus, Eqs. (1.21)–(1.25) are reduced [1–3] to

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} - \frac{v_\phi^2}{r} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + \nu \left( \nabla^2 v_r - \frac{v_r}{r^2} \right) - \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \overline{v_r'^2} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \rho \overline{v_r' v_z'} \right) - \frac{1}{r} \left( \overline{v_\phi'^2} \right) \right], \quad (2.1)$$

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial r} + \frac{v_r v_\phi}{r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} = \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_\phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial r} - \frac{v_\phi}{r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_\phi}{\partial z^2} \right) - \left[ \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \overline{v_r' v_\phi'} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \overline{v_\phi' v_z'} \right) \right], \quad (2.2)$$

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial z^2} \right) - \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \overline{v_r' v_z'} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \overline{v_z'^2} \right) \right], \quad (2.3)$$



**Fig. 2.1** Geometrical arrangement and main parameters of the problem of fluid flow and heat transfer over a rotating disk in still air [3]

$$\frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + \frac{v_r}{r} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[ r \left( a \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} - \overline{v_r T'} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( a \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} - \overline{v_z T'} \right). \quad (2.5)$$

One can assign the coordinate system in Fig. 2.1 to be rotating together with the disk. In doing so, Eqs. (2.1)–(2.3) for laminar flow can be re-written as [1–3]

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} - \frac{v_\phi^2}{r} - 2\omega v_\phi - \omega^2 r = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_r}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} - \frac{v_r}{r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_r}{\partial z^2} \right), \quad (2.6)$$

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} + \frac{v_r v_\phi}{r} + 2\omega v_r = \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_\phi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial r} - \frac{v_\phi}{r^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_\phi}{\partial z^2} \right), \quad (2.7)$$

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial z^2} \right). \quad (2.8)$$

The terms  $2\omega v_\phi$  and  $2\omega v_r$  stand for the  $r$ - and  $\phi$ -components of the Coriolis force, respectively. The term  $\omega^2 r$  is the  $r$ -component of the centrifugal force (all divided by  $\rho$ ). Equations (2.1)–(2.2) for turbulent flow can be derived in analogy to Eqs. (2.6)–(2.8) [1].

### 2.1.2 Differential Equations of the Boundary Layer

To simplify Eqs. (2.1)–(2.5) for boundary layers, the following assumptions are made [1, 2, 4]:

- (a) velocity components  $v_r$  and  $v_\phi$  are an order of magnitude larger than the  $v_z$ -velocity;
- (b) velocity and temperature vary in the  $z$ -direction much more significantly than they do in the  $r$ -direction; and
- (c) variation of the static pressure in  $z$ -direction is negligible.

The equation of continuity, Eq. (2.4), does not undergo any change. As a result, Eqs. (2.1)–(2.5) reduce to the following final form [1, 2, 4]:

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} - \frac{v_\phi^2}{r} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \tau_r}{\partial z}, \quad (2.9)$$

$$v_r \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} + \frac{v_r v_\phi}{r} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \tau_\phi}{\partial z}, \quad (2.10)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = 0, \quad (2.11)$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + v_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho c_p} \frac{\partial q}{\partial z}, \quad (2.12)$$

$$\tau_r = \mu \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} - \rho \overline{v'_r v'_z}, \quad (2.13)$$

$$\tau_\phi = \mu \frac{\partial v_\phi}{\partial z} - \rho \overline{v'_\phi v'_z}, \quad (2.14)$$

$$q = -\left( \lambda \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} - \rho c_p \overline{T' v'_z} \right). \quad (2.15)$$

The pressure across the boundary layer is constant and equal to the pressure in the potential flow region, i.e.,  $p = p_\infty$ . Equations (2.13)–(2.15) include only the most significant turbulent shear stress and heat flux components.

For a stationary thermal boundary layer, the term  $\partial T / \partial t$  in Eq. (2.12) vanishes.

Equations (2.9)–(2.15) are closed with an equation of potential flow, where functions  $v_{r,\infty}$ ,  $v_{\phi,\infty}$ , and  $p_\infty$  do not vary in the  $z$ -direction:

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv_{r,\infty}^2}{dr} - \frac{v_{\phi,\infty}^2}{r} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dp_\infty}{dr}. \quad (2.16)$$

### 2.1.3 Integral Equations of the Boundary Layer

For steady-state conditions, Eqs. (2.9)–(2.11), (2.13)–(2.20) with allowance for Eqs. (2.4) and (2.16) can be re-written in an integral form [1, 2, 4]:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dr} \left[ r \int_0^\delta v_r (v_{r,\infty} - v_r) dz \right] + r \frac{dv_{r,\infty}}{dr} \int_0^\delta (v_{r,\infty} - v_r) dz - \int_0^\delta (v_{\varphi,\infty}^2 - v_\varphi^2) dz \\ = r\tau_{wr}/\rho, \end{aligned} \quad (2.17)$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ r^2 \int_0^\delta v_r (v_\varphi - v_{\varphi,\infty}) dz \right] + \frac{\dot{m}_d}{2\pi\rho} \frac{d}{dr} (rv_{\varphi,\infty}) = -r^2\tau_{w\varphi}/\rho, \quad (2.18)$$

or

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ r^2 \int_0^\delta v_r v_\varphi dz \right] + rv_{\varphi,\infty} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{\dot{m}_d}{2\pi\rho} \right) = -r^2\tau_{w\varphi}/\rho, \quad (2.19)$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ r \int_0^{\delta_T} v_r (T - T_\infty) dz \right] + \frac{dT_\infty}{dr} \cdot \frac{\dot{m}_{d,T}}{2\pi\rho} = rq_w/(\rho c_p). \quad (2.20)$$

Another notation of Eqs. (2.17), (2.18) and (2.20) looks as [1, 2, 4, 5]

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left( v_{r,\infty}^2 r \delta \bar{\delta}_r^{**} \right) + v_{r,\infty} r \delta \frac{dv_{r,\infty}}{dr} \bar{\delta}_r^* - v_{\varphi,\infty}^2 \delta \bar{\delta}_\varphi^{**} = r\tau_{wr}/\rho, \quad (2.21)$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ \delta r^2 (\omega r)^2 \bar{\delta}_{\varphi r}^{**} \right] + \frac{\dot{m}_d}{2\pi\rho} \frac{d}{dr} (rv_{\varphi,\infty}) = -r^2\tau_{w\varphi}/\rho, \quad (2.22)$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left[ \omega r^2 \delta \bar{\delta}_T^{**} (T_w - T_\infty) \right] + \frac{dT_\infty}{dr} \cdot \frac{\dot{m}_{d,T}}{2\pi\rho} = rq_w/(\rho c_p), \quad (2.23)$$

where

$$\bar{\delta}_r^* = \int_0^1 (1 - \tilde{v}_r) d\xi, \quad \bar{\delta}_r^{**} = \int_0^1 \tilde{v}_r (1 - \tilde{v}_r) d\xi, \quad \bar{\delta}_\varphi^{**} = \int_0^1 \left( 1 - \frac{v_\varphi^2}{v_{\varphi,\infty}^2} \right) d\xi, \quad (2.24)$$

$$\bar{\delta}_{\varphi r}^{**} = \int_0^1 \frac{v_r (v_\varphi - v_{\varphi,\infty})}{(\omega r)^2} d\xi, \quad \tilde{v}_r = v_r/v_{r,\infty}. \quad (2.25)$$

## 2.2 Methods of Solution

### 2.2.1 Self-similar Solution

Exact solutions of the Navier–Stokes and energy equations were found for a free rotating disk subject to laminar flow [1, 2, 4, 6–12]. For this purpose, self-similar variables  $F$ ,  $G$ ,  $H$ ,  $P$ , and  $\zeta$  were employed:

$$\begin{aligned} v_r &= (a + \omega)rF(\zeta), & v_\varphi &= (a + \omega)rG(\zeta), & v_z &= \sqrt{(a + \omega)\nu}H(\zeta), \\ p &= -\rho\nu\omega P(\zeta), & \theta &= (T - T_\infty)/(T_w - T_\infty), & \zeta &= z\sqrt{(a + \omega)/\nu}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.26)$$

The respective boundary conditions had the following form:

$$\zeta \rightarrow \infty: v_{r,\infty} = ar, \quad v_{z,\infty} = -2az, \quad v_{\varphi,\infty} = \Omega r, \quad \beta = \Omega/\omega = \text{const.}, \quad \theta = 0, \quad (2.27)$$

$$\zeta = 0: F = H = 0, \quad G = 1, \quad \theta = 1, \quad (2.28)$$

$$\zeta = 0: T_w = T_{\text{ref}} + c_{0w}r^{n_*}, \quad T_\infty = T_{\text{ref}} + c_{0\infty}r^{n_*} \text{ or } T_\infty = T_{\text{ref}} + \beta c_{0w}r^{n_*}. \quad (2.29)$$

Here,  $c_0$ ,  $c_{0w}$ ,  $c_{0\infty}$ , and  $n_*$  are the empirical constants. Equation (2.29) can be re-written as

$$\Delta T = T_w - T_\infty = c_0 r^{n_*} \quad (\text{for } c_0 = c_{0w} - c_{0\infty}), \quad (2.30)$$

$$\text{or } \Delta T = c_{0w}(1 - \beta)r^{n_*}. \quad (2.31)$$

Equations (2.1)–(2.4) and (2.12) (for  $\partial T/\partial t = 0$ ), with allowance for Eq. (2.16), reduce to a self-similar form:

$$F^2 - G^2 + F'H = \frac{N^2 - \beta^2}{(1 + N)^2} + F'', \quad (2.32)$$

$$2FG + G'H = G'', \quad (2.33)$$

$$HH' = P' + H'', \quad (2.34)$$

$$2F + H' = 0, \quad (2.35)$$

$$\theta'' - Pr(n_*F\theta + H\theta') = 0. \quad (2.36)$$

Here,  $N = a/\omega = \text{const.}$  A solution of Eqs. (2.32)–(2.35) for simultaneously non-zero values of  $\beta$  and  $N$  does not exist. However, such a solution can be found either for  $N \neq 0$  and  $\beta = 0$ , or for  $\beta \neq 0$  and  $N = 0$ .

Equations (2.32)–(2.36) have been often solved with the help of so-called in-house computer codes using a spectral collocation method based on the Chebyshev polynomials [13–18], Keller box [19] or quasi-linearization method [20], expansions in power/exponential series [9, 21], finite difference schemes [22], shooting methods [1, 8, 10, 12, 23], etc. Computer mathematics softwares like Mathcad, Matlab, Mathematica, etc. enable solving Eqs. (2.32)–(2.36) via user interface programming options [3, 20].

A self-similar energy equation involving dissipation terms allows using only one value of the exponent  $n_* = 2$  in the boundary conditions (2.29)–(2.31) [1, 2, 4]. At subsonic flow of air, dissipation effects, as well as radial heat conduction, are negligible. Therefore, we neglected the respective terms in Eq. (2.36) of the thermal boundary layer, which enabled us using arbitrary values of the parameter  $n_*$ .

Exact solutions of Eqs. (2.32)–(2.36) serve as benchmark datasets used in validations of experiments or CFD models developed for more complicated problems. Based on the self-similar solutions, it is also possible to develop approximate analytical solutions of problems, whose boundary conditions differ from Eqs. (2.27)–(2.31).

### 2.2.2 *Approximate Analytical Methods for Laminar Flow*

Laminar impingement flow over a single rotating disk at  $N = \text{const.}$  and  $\beta = 0$  was simulated using an approximate mathematical method of Slezkina-Targ in [4]. Velocity components were approximated by sixth-order polynomials. A polynomial of third order resulted in an inaccuracy in the surface friction of up to  $\sim 25\%$  at  $N = 5$ . This inaccuracy increases fast for higher values of  $N$ . Should the author [4] extend this method to model heat transfer? This would yield a cumbersome solution for the Nusselt number.

A complex combination of exponential and logarithmic functions resulted in an approximate solution for laminar flow over a single rotating disk [24]. The heat transfer problem was not solved. Such an extension of the method [24] would, however, yield even more inconvenient and cumbersome relations for the Nusselt number than in [4].

For porous injection through a rotating disk, an approximate solution was presented as a combined expansion in power and exponential series. It is obvious that this approach has the same deficiencies as the aforementioned methods [4, 24].

Analytical solutions [19] were obtained for a stretching disk for (a) a case of no rotation and (b) infinitely large stretching rate. Both situations have very limiting application; a general analytical solution for a stretching rotating disk does not exist.

Based on the above, one can conclude that a search for an exact analytical solution for the velocity, pressure, and temperature profiles in laminar flow over a rotating disk is a very complicated and inexpedient mathematical task. Alternatively, as demonstrated below, a match of an integral method and a

self-similar solution yields a transparent and accurate approximate analytical solution for fluid flow and heat transfer characteristics.

### 2.2.3 Numerical Methods

At early stages, finite difference methods implemented in in-house codes were used by different authors [25–38] to simulate laminar/turbulent fluid flow and heat transfer in rotating cavities formed by parallel co-rotating disks using algebraic [39] or low-Reynolds-number  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  turbulence models [40–42]. A finite difference method was employed by the author [43] to simulate a 3D air flow in a rotating-disk grinder of solid particles with the RANS approach with a  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  turbulence model [44].

Commercial CFD codes (e.g., FLUENT, CFX, Phoenix, etc.) using RANS approaches have been widely used by different authors to simulate fluid flow in rotating-disk systems [33, 36, 45–52]. Turbulence was modeled using closure with standard and realizable  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  models, RNG  $k$ - $\varepsilon$  model,  $k$ - $\omega$  SST model, Spalart–Allmaras model, and others.

The LES approach was employed by [53] to simulate a stationary turbulent flow over a rotating disk. The LES approach was also used in [54–58] to simulate turbulent flow and heat transfer over a single disk in air flow parallel to the disk surface.

Numerical simulation using in-house or commercial CFD codes is the most widely used universal tool for problems with arbitrary geometry and boundary conditions to be performed in academic and especially applied/industrial research. Given a proper mesh, accuracy of results depends here on the selection of the turbulence model, which is to be performed individually for each problem to be solved.

A disadvantage of CFD modeling is that it provides only an array of numerical data, which is often an inconvenience in comparison with analytical solutions. Therefore, methods delivering exact or approximate analytical solutions are advantageous for relatively simple geometries and boundary conditions.

## 2.3 Integral Methods

### 2.3.1 Momentum Boundary Layer

In frames of an integral method, Eqs. (2.17)–(2.23) are solved accompanied with models for (a) velocity/temperature profiles (or enthalpy thickness), as well as (b) shear stresses on the wall (velocity boundary layer) and wall heat flux (thermal boundary layer).

To briefly outline a history of the integral methods for rotating-disk systems, fundamentals of them were laid by von Karman [9] and Dorfman [4]. Further

development of model assumptions for integral methods was done in the works [1, 2, 48, 59]. An important feature of the method [1, 2] further elaborated in the present work consists in the use of the same mathematical form of the models for laminar or turbulent flow, which differ from each other only by numerical values of certain parameters. In fact, this confirms the idea of Loytsyanskiy [60], who said that there exists “an analogy between basic characteristics of laminar and turbulent boundary layers.”

The radial  $v_r$  and tangential  $v_\varphi$  velocity components in the boundary layer are interrelated in accordance with the equation [61]

$$\bar{v}_r = \bar{v}_\varphi \tan \varphi. \quad (2.37)$$

In case where potential flow in the  $r$ -direction is negligible, i.e.,  $v_{r,\infty} = 0$ , approximations of the velocity profiles were written by the authors [1, 2] in the following form:

$$\bar{v}_\varphi = 1 - g(\xi), \quad \bar{v}_r = \alpha f(\xi), \quad (2.38)$$

where the functions  $g(\xi)$  and  $f(\xi)$  of the variable  $\xi = z/\delta$  were set to be independent of the coordinate  $r$ . For laminar flow,

$$g(\xi) = G_0(\xi), \quad f(\xi) = F_0(\xi)/\alpha_0. \quad (2.39)$$

The functions  $G_0(\xi)$  and  $F_0(\xi)$  are a solution of Eqs. (2.32)–(2.35) for a free rotating disk, i.e., for  $N = 0$  and  $\beta = 0$  [1, 2, 4].

For turbulent flow, power-law profiles were employed:

$$g(\xi) = 1 - \xi^n, \quad (2.40)$$

$$f(\xi) = \xi^n(1 - \xi), \quad \tan \varphi = \alpha(1 - \xi), \quad (2.41)$$

where  $n = 1/5$ – $1/10$  [1, 2, 4, 9, 48, 59, 62–64]. Approximations (2.40) and (2.41) were formulated for the first time by von Karman [9]. The characteristic Reynolds number determines the value of the exponent  $n$  (see Figs. 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4).

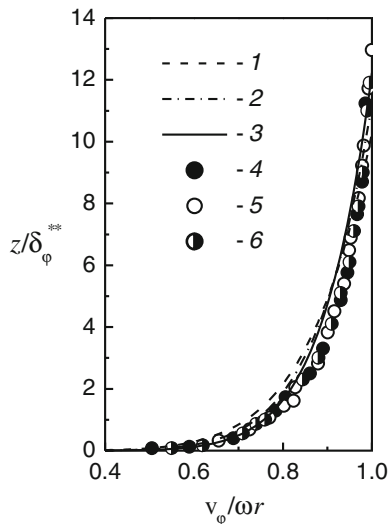
A more accurate approximation for  $f(\xi)$  in turbulent flow is [65–68]

$$f(\xi) = \xi^n(1 - \xi)^2, \quad \tan \varphi = \alpha(1 - \xi)^2. \quad (2.42)$$

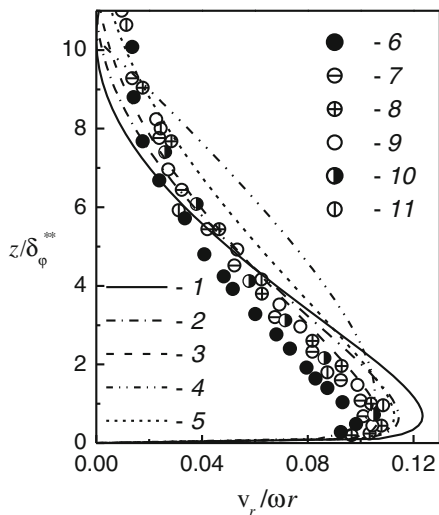
Nevertheless, Eq. (2.42) has been rarely used apparently due to the somewhat more complicated form of expressions resulting from the integration of Eqs. (2.17)–(2.19).

More elaborate power-law profiles were used by the authors [69]

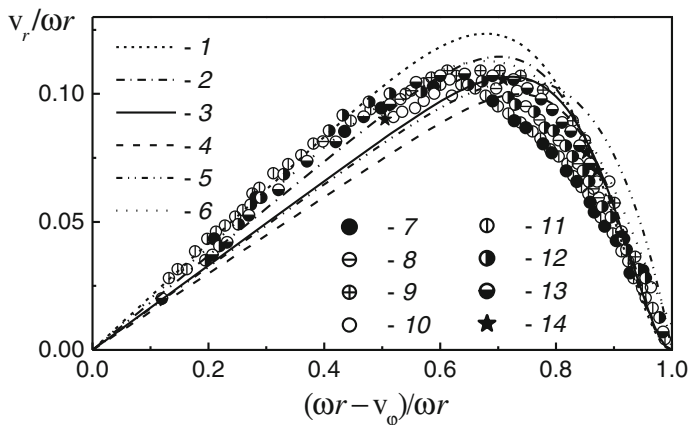




**Fig. 2.2** Profiles of the non-dimensional tangential velocity in the turbulent boundary layer over a free rotating disk [3]. Calculation by Eq. (2.40) [61]: 1— $n = 1/7$ , 2— $1/8$ , 3— $1/9$ . Experiments: 4— $Re_\omega = (0.4-1.6) \times 10^6$  [70], 5— $(0.6-1.0) \times 10^6$  [71], 6— $(0.65-1.0) \times 10^6$  [72]. Here  $\delta_\phi^{**} = \int_0^b \frac{v_\phi}{\omega r} (1 - \frac{v_\phi}{\omega r}) dz$  (definition of [70–74])



**Fig. 2.3** Profiles of the non-dimensional radial velocity in the turbulent boundary layer over a free rotating disk [3]. Calculation by Eq. (2.42) or (2.58) [61]: 1— $n = 1/7$ , 2— $1/8$ , 3— $1/9$ . Equation (2.41), [9]: 4— $n = 1/7$ . Equation (2.44): 5— $n = 1/7$ ,  $b = 0.7$ ,  $c = 1.2$ ,  $\alpha = 0.2003$ . Experiments: 6— $Re_\omega = 0.4 \times 10^6$ , 7— $0.65 \times 10^6$ , 8— $0.94 \times 10^6$ , 9— $1.6 \times 10^6$  [70], 10— $0.6 \times 10^6$ , 11— $1.0 \times 10^6$  [71]



**Fig. 2.4** Correlation between the radial and tangential velocity components in the boundary layer [3]. Calculation by Eq. (2.59) at  $L = 2$  (curves 1–4) or  $L = 1$  (curve 5) [61]: 1— $n = 1/7$ , 2— $1/8$ , 3— $1/9$ , 4— $1/10$ , 5— $1/7$ , von Karman's method [9], 6— $1/7$ , Eq. (2.44) for  $b = 0.7$ ,  $c = 1.2$ ,  $\alpha = 0.2003$ . Experiments: 7— $Re_\omega = 0.4 \times 10^6$ , 8— $0.65 \times 10^6$ , 9— $0.94 \times 10^6$ , 10— $1.6 \times 10^6$  [70], 11— $0.4 \times 10^6$ , 12— $0.6 \times 10^6$ , 13— $1.0 \times 10^6$  [71], 14— $2.0 \times 10^6$  [75]

$$f(\xi) = \xi^n (1 - \xi^{n/m}), \quad \tan \varphi = \alpha (1 - \xi^{n/m}), \quad (2.43)$$

with exponents  $n$  and  $m$  independent from each other. The authors [69] have not further developed their model, apparently because of its excessively complicated structure.

A trigonometric function approximating the function  $\tan \varphi$  in Eq. (2.37)

$$\tan \varphi = \alpha [(1 - \sin^b(c\xi))] \quad (2.44)$$

was used by [76, 77]. The values of the constants  $b = 0.7$ ,  $c = 0.12$  at  $n = 1/7$ , and  $b = 0.697$ ,  $c = 0.117$  at  $n = 1/8$  mentioned in [76] are, however, erroneous.

For instance, for  $b = 0.7$  at  $n = 1/7$ , one must use a value of  $c = 1.2$  (Figs. 2.3 and 2.4). The model [76, 77] is more complicated than the von Karman's approach. Expressions for the Nusselt number that could have been obtained (but actually have not been obtained!) on the base of the model (2.44) would have been again too cumbersome.

For  $N = \text{const.}$ , the following relations were used in [78] and [79–81], respectively:

$$\tan \varphi = \alpha + (N - \alpha)\xi, \quad (2.45)$$

$$\tan \varphi = \alpha(1 - \xi) + \kappa, \quad (2.46)$$

where  $\kappa = \dot{m}/[2\pi\rho sr(1 - \beta)\omega r]$ . Equation (2.46) is least justified, since it does not agree with the condition  $\tan \varphi_w = \alpha$  and complicates the solution of Eqs. (2.17) and (2.18).

Thus, Eqs. (2.43)–(2.46) demonstrate lower accuracy than models (2.37)–(2.45).

Integration of Eqs. (2.17) and (2.18) in view of Eqs. (2.37)–(2.45) yields ordinary differential equations with the unknown variables  $\alpha(r)$  and  $\delta(r)$  for a pre-set function of  $\beta(r)$ , or  $\alpha(r)$  and  $\beta(r)$  for a pre-set function  $\delta(r)$ . In view of an assumption  $N = \text{const.}$  or  $\beta = \text{const.}$ , the parameter  $\alpha$  becomes constant as well. In this case,  $\delta = \text{const.}$  in laminar flow, or  $\delta \sim r^m$  in turbulent flow [1, 2, 4].

Given the velocity profiles in the form of power-law functions, shear stresses  $\tau_{wr}$  and  $\tau_{w\varphi}$  on the right-hand sides of Eqs. (2.17)–(2.19) can be written as [1, 2, 4]

$$\tau_{wr} = -\alpha\tau_{w\varphi}, \quad \tau_{w\varphi} = -\text{sgn}(1 - \beta)\tau_w(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}, \quad (2.47)$$

$$c_f = C_n^{-2/(n+1)} Re_{V_*}^{-2n/(n+1)}, \quad (2.48)$$

$$C_n = 2.28 + 0.924/n. \quad (2.49)$$

Equation (2.49) was proposed in [69]. The constant  $C_n$  takes the values 8.74, 9.71, 10.6, and 11.5 for  $n = 1/7, 1/8, 1/9$ , and  $1/10$ , accordingly [1, 2, 4, 9, 69].

In frames of logarithmic models of the velocity profiles [82], their near-wall approximations look as

$$v_r = \alpha\omega r + \frac{2.5\alpha V_\tau}{(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}} \ln(\xi), \quad v_\varphi = -\frac{2.5V_\tau}{(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}} \ln(\xi). \quad (2.50)$$

A validation of the logarithmic model has been performed only for a free disk, with the heat transfer problem being not modeled. The moment coefficient  $C_M$  is given by a transcendental algebraic equation (see Sect. 3.3) [82]. Inconvenience and complexity prevented further development and use of the logarithmic approach [82].

The integral method described in the work [48] and references includes special arrangements for rotor–stator systems, which fall out of the scope of the present work.

### 2.3.2 Thermal Boundary Layer

Heat transfer modeling in the frames of integral methods performed in the majority of the known works [1, 2, 4, 9, 48, 64, 68, 79–81, 83–89] was based on a “theory of local modelling” (which is a direct translation of the name used in the Russian language literature) that stems from the method of Loytsyanskiy [60] (see also [90]). This theory was for the first time applied to rotating-disk systems by Dorfman [4], who postulated a so-called heat transfer law for the Stanton number:

$$St = M_s Re_T^{**-\sigma} Pr^{-n_s}. \quad (2.51)$$

Universal constants  $M_s$ ,  $\sigma$ , and  $n_s$  do not depend on the disk surface temperature  $T_w$  and the Prandtl number. These constants take the values  $\sigma = 0.25$ ,  $n_s = 0.5$ , and  $M_s = 7.246 \times 10^{-3}$  for turbulent flow, and  $\sigma = 1.0$ ,  $n_s = 1.0$ , and  $M_s = 0.07303$  for laminar flow [1–4]. Equation (2.51) is substituted into the thermal boundary layer Eq. (2.23). In doing so, the only remaining unknown parameter is  $\delta_T^{**}$ .

In the books [1, 2], the Reynolds analogy parameter  $\chi$  was involved in the integral method instead of the enthalpy thickness  $\delta_T^{**}$

$$\frac{q_w}{\tau_{w\phi}} = \chi \frac{c_p(T_\infty - T_w)}{\omega r(1 - \beta)}. \quad (2.52)$$

The unknown parameter  $\chi$  was found as a result of the solution of Eq. (2.23) by the authors [1, 2] based on the models (2.51) and (2.52).

A power-law temperature profile in turbulent flow regime at  $n_T = 1/5$

$$\Theta = \frac{T - T_w}{T_\infty - T_w} = \zeta_T^{n_T}, \quad \theta = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_w - T_\infty} = 1 - \Theta = 1 - \zeta_T^{n_T} \quad (2.53)$$

was employed in the work [63], which for a long time had been the only one that used the model (2.53). An additional assumption  $\Delta = \delta_T/\delta = 6$  at  $T_w = \text{const.}$  used in the work [63] is apparently erroneous and must be replaced with a model that enables finding the parameter  $\Delta$  and its dependence on the other factors (like the model described in Sect. 2.4).

## 2.4 Improved Integral Method

### 2.4.1 Structure of the Method

Original results of the studies of fluid flow and heat transfer in rotating-disk configurations outlined here stem from the investigations performed using an improved integral method developed by the author of this work and described in the publications [3, 5, 61, 91–109]. Throughout this work, this methodology is always named as *the present integral method*.

The basic statements of the present integral method are

- the system of Eqs. (2.17)–(2.23);
- turbulent velocity and temperature profiles given by improved approximations;
- a novel enthalpy thickness model for laminar/turbulent flow;
- power-law model for shear stresses and heat fluxes on the wall; and
- specified disk temperature distribution, together with the boundary conditions for the temperature and velocity in inviscid (i.e., potential) flow.

The present integral method employs the bedrock assumption that the same mathematical model can be used for modeling laminar and turbulent boundary layers, where the difference is made by numerical values of the certain empirical constants of the model. This model is a mathematical expression of the analogy between the basic characteristics of the laminar and turbulent flow under the same boundary conditions [60]. Authors [1, 2, 4, 9] have already validated this idea with respect to convective heat transfer in rotating-disk systems. However, the imperfect mathematical model used in these works caused noticeable inaccuracy in the simulation of heat transfer under certain thermal boundary conditions (see Sect. 3.2 of Chap. 3).

In the present integral method, we do not attempt to use power-law approximations of the velocity/temperature profiles in laminar flow, which involve polynomials of seventh order or higher and result in cumbersome equations for the friction coefficient and the Nusselt number. We wish to make use of simple and transparent power-law relations for the friction coefficient and the Nusselt number derived using power-law models of the velocity/temperature profiles for turbulent flow. Mathematical expressions for these parameters for turbulent flow can be extended onto laminar flow with particular constants remaining unknowns to be found empirically via validations against the exact solution.

Consequently, the logic of the method is following: firstly, an integral method for turbulent boundary layer is created and validated against experiments; and secondly, the mathematical form of the integral method is elaborated and validated for laminar flow.

### 2.4.2 Turbulent Flow: Velocity and Temperature Profiles

Velocity profiles are approximated using power-law models, Eq. (2.37) for  $v_r$ , as well as the first of Eqs. (2.38) and (2.40) for  $v_\varphi$ . A quadratic polynomial approximates the tangent of the flow swirl angle  $\tan\varphi$ . The coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  must comply with the boundary conditions at the wall and at the outer edge of the boundary layer

$$\tan \varphi = a + b\xi + c\xi^2, \quad (2.54)$$

$$\xi = 0, \quad \tan \varphi = \tan \varphi_w = \alpha, \quad (2.55)$$

$$\xi = 1, \quad \tan \varphi = \tan \varphi_\infty = v_{r,\infty}/(\omega r - v_{\varphi,\infty}) = N/(1 - \beta) = \kappa, \quad (2.56)$$

$$\xi = 1, \quad d(\tan \varphi)/d\xi = 0. \quad (2.57)$$

Conditions (2.54)–(2.57) yield

$$a = \alpha, \quad b = -2(\alpha - \kappa), \quad c = \alpha - \kappa, \quad (\tan \varphi - \kappa)/(\alpha - \kappa) = (1 - \xi)^2. \quad (2.58)$$

Figures 2.2 and 2.3 show profiles of the radial and tangential velocity components for a free rotating disk ( $\kappa = 0$ ) calculated by Eqs. (2.37) and (2.58).

The present integral method enabled finding wall values of the tangent of the flow swirl angle  $\alpha$  presented in Table 3.4 of Chap. 3 in comparison with  $\alpha$  values obtained by von Karman's method [9]. Power-law profiles for the  $\bar{v}_r$  and  $\bar{v}_\varphi$  jointly with a quadratic Eq. (2.58) for  $\tan \varphi$  agree well with experiments in the outer part of the boundary layer. Here, the profiles at  $n = 1/9$  agree with the experiments [70, 71] (Figs. 2.2 and 2.3). The same trend demonstrates Fig. 2.4, where velocity components  $\bar{v}_r$  on  $\bar{v}_\varphi$  are interconnected via an equation resulting from Eqs. (2.37), (2.38), (2.40), and (2.58) [61]:

$$\bar{v}_r = \alpha \bar{v}_\varphi (1 - \bar{v}_\varphi^{1/n})^L. \quad (2.59)$$

Here,  $L = 2$  in the present method and  $L = 1$  in the method [9]. In the vicinity of the wall, the value of the exponent  $n = 1/7$ – $1/8$  yields, however, the best agreement with experiments. Based on Eq. (2.59) [61], a maximum in the dependence of  $\bar{v}_r$  on  $\bar{v}_\varphi$  is observed at

$$\bar{v}_{\varphi, \max} = \zeta_{\max}^n, \quad \zeta_{\max} = n/(n + L). \quad (2.60)$$

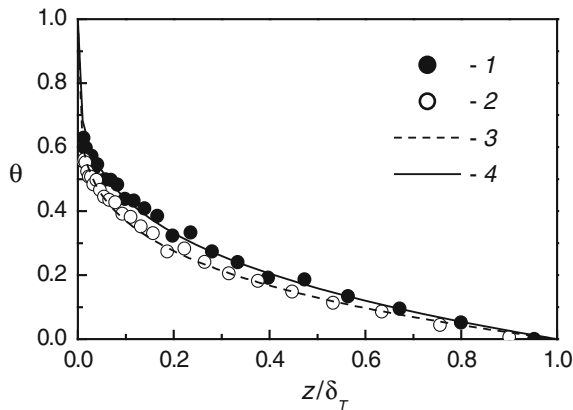
In frames of the present integral method, temperature distributions in the boundary layer are approximated with Eq. (2.53). This appears to be in a good agreement with the experimental data of different authors depicted in Fig. 2.5.

### 2.4.3 Surface Friction and Heat Transfer

Shear stresses  $\tau_{w\varphi}$ ,  $\tau_{wr}$  and wall heat flux  $q_w$  can be expressed with the help of a two-layer model of the velocity and temperature profiles non-dimensionalized using the law of the wall. Power-law profiles (2.40) and (2.53) can be re-written in wall coordinates as

$$V^+ = \zeta^n / \sqrt{c_f/2}, \quad T^+ = \zeta_T^{n_T} \sqrt{c_f/2/St}. \quad (2.61)$$

These relations are not valid in the viscous sub-layer; therefore, their place is taken here by the linear equations



**Fig. 2.5** Profiles of the non-dimensional temperature  $\theta$  in the turbulent boundary layer over a free rotating disk [3]. Experiments [72],  $q_w = \text{const.}$ ,  $Re_\omega = 1.0 \times 10^6$ : 1—inner heater on, 2—inner heater off. Calculations by Eq. (2.53): 3— $n_T = 1/5$ , 4— $1/4$

$$V^+ = z^+, \quad T^+ = Pr z^+. \quad (2.62)$$

Equations (2.61) and (2.62) must be spliced at the boundary  $z_1^+$  of the viscous sub-layer and at the boundary  $z_{1T}^+$  of the heat conduction sub-layer, accordingly. In doing so, one can come to relations for the friction coefficient and the Stanton number:

$$c_f/2 = (z_1^+)^{2(n-1)/(n+1)} Re_{V_*}^{-2n/(n+1)}, \quad (2.63)$$

$$St = (z_1^+)^{n_T-1} Re_{V_*}^{-n_T} (c_f/2)^{(1-n_T)/2} \Delta^{-n_T} (z_{1T}^+/z_1^+)^{n_T-1} Pr^{-n_T}. \quad (2.64)$$

Instead of the coordinate  $z_1^+$ , its modification  $C_n = (z_1^+)^{1-n}$  is often used.  $C_n$  is a constant whose dependence on the exponent  $n$  is clarified in the comments to Eq. (2.49). The constant  $z_1^+$  takes the values 12.54, 13.44, 14.23, and 15.09 for  $n = 1/7, 1/8, 1/9$ , and  $1/10$ , respectively. Based on Eq. (2.47), shear stresses  $\tau_w$ ,  $\tau_{w\phi}$ , and  $\tau_{wr}$  are mutually related as

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{wr}/\rho &= C_n^{-2/(n+1)} \text{sgn}(1-\beta)(v/\delta)^{2n/(n-1)}(\omega r|1-\beta|)^{2/(n-1)}\alpha(1+\alpha^2)^{0.5(1-n)/(1+n)}, \\ \tau_{w\phi}/\rho &= -C_n^{-2/(n+1)} \text{sgn}(1-\beta)(v/\delta)^{2n/(n-1)}(\omega r|1-\beta|)^{2/(n-1)} \\ &\quad \times (1+\alpha^2)^{0.5(1-n)/(1+n)}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.65)$$

In Eq. (2.64), the unknown  $\Delta$  to be found is a function of the Prandtl number  $Pr$ , as well as the distribution of  $T_w(r)$ . The ratio  $(z_{1T}^+/z_1^+)$  depends on the  $Pr$  number

only. One can denote  $(z_{1T}^+/z_1^+)^{n_T-1} Pr^{-n_T} = Pr^{-n_p}$ , with the exponent  $n_p$  remaining so far unknown.

A condition  $n_T = n$  will be often employed below, which leads to a simplification of the expressions for the Stanton number and the Nusselt number:

$$St = (c_f/2)\Delta^{-n}Pr^{-n_p}, \quad (2.66)$$

$$Nu = St \frac{V_* r}{\nu} Pr = St Re_\omega Pr |\beta - 1| (1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}. \quad (2.67)$$

### 2.4.3.1 Integral Equations

Having integrated Eqs. (2.17) and (2.18) with respect to the  $z$ -coordinate in view of Eqs. (2.37)–(2.40), (2.58), one can derive the following ordinary differential equations [61]:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dr} \left\{ \delta r (\omega r)^2 (1 - \beta)^2 [\kappa (A_1 \alpha + A_2 \kappa) - (B_1 \alpha^2 + B_2 \alpha \kappa + B_3 \kappa^2)] \right\} \\ & + \delta \omega r^2 (1 - \beta) \frac{d(N\omega r)}{dr} [\kappa - (A_1 \alpha + A_2 \kappa)] \\ & + \rho \delta (\omega r)^2 (C_1 + C_2 \beta + C_3 \beta^2) = r \tau_{wr} / \rho, \end{aligned} \quad (2.68)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dr} \left\{ \delta \omega^2 r^4 (1 - \beta) [\alpha (D_1 + \beta D_2) + \kappa (D_3 + \beta D_4)] \right\} \\ & - (\omega r)^2 \beta \frac{d}{dr} [\delta \omega r^2 (1 - \beta) (A_1 \alpha + A_2 \kappa)] = -r^2 \tau_{w\varphi} / \rho, \end{aligned} \quad (2.69)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= 1/(n+1) - A_2; \quad A_2 = 2/(n+2) - 1/(n+3); \\ B_1 &= 1/(2n+1) - 2/(n+1) + 6/(2n+3) - 2/(n+2) + 1/(2n+5); \\ B_2 &= 2/(n+1) - 10/(2n+3) + 4/(n+2) - 2/(2n+5); \\ B_3 &= 4/(2n+3) - 2/(n+2) + 1/(2n+5); \\ C_1 &= 1 - 2/(n+1) + 1/(2n+1), \\ C_2 &= -2(1/(2n+1) - 1/(n+1)); \\ C_3 &= -1 + 1/(2n+1); \\ D_1 &= A_1 - D_2; \\ D_2 &= 1/(2n+1) - D_4; \\ D_3 &= A_2 - D_4; \\ D_4 &= 1/(n+1) - 1/(2n+3). \end{aligned}$$



Equation (2.20) for the thermal boundary layer integrated with respect to  $z$  and account for Eqs. (2.37), (2.38), (2.40), (2.53), and (2.58) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dr} [\delta \omega r^2 (1 - \beta) F_1 (T_\infty - T_w)] + \frac{dT_\infty}{dr} \delta \omega r^2 (1 - \beta) F_2 \\ = -St_* r \Delta^{-n_T} Pr^{-n_P} (T_\infty - T_w), \end{aligned} \quad (2.70)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= E_1, \quad F_2 = E_2 \text{ at } \Delta \leq 1; \quad F_1 = E_3, \quad F_2 = E_4 \text{ at } \Delta \geq 1; \\ E_1 &= \Delta^{n+1} (aa_{*T} + bb_{*T} \Delta + cc_{*T} \Delta^2), \\ a_{*T} &= 1/(1 + n + n_T) - 1/(1 + n), \\ b_{*T} &= 1/(2 + n + n_T) - 1/(2 + n), \\ c_{*T} &= 1/(3 + n + n_T) - 1/(3 + n), \\ E_2 &= \Delta^{n+1} [a/(n+1) + b\Delta/(n+2) + c\Delta^2/(n+3)], \\ E_3 &= E_5 + \kappa E_6, \\ E_4 &= \alpha A_1 + \kappa(\Delta - 1) + \kappa A_2, \\ E_5 &= \alpha(-A_1 + \Delta^{-n_T} D_{2T}), \\ D_{2T} &= 1/(1 + n + n_T) - D_{4T}, \\ E_6 &= (\Delta - \Delta^{-n_T})/(n_T + 1) - \Delta + 1 - A_2 + \Delta^{-n_T} D_{4T}, \\ D_{4T} &= 2/(2 + n + n_T) - 1/(3 + n + n_T). \end{aligned}$$

The mass flow rate through the boundary layer can be expressed as

$$\dot{m}_d / (\rho \omega r^3) = 2\pi(1 - \beta)(A_1 \alpha + A_2 \kappa) \delta / r. \quad (2.71)$$

Equations (2.68)–(2.70) involve three unknowns:

- in the entraining boundary layers:*  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$ , and  $\Delta$  for specified  $\beta$ , as well as  $T_\infty$ ; and
- in the Ekman-type boundary layers:*  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  for a specified mass flowrate  $\dot{m}_d = \text{const.}$  (i.e., specified distribution of  $\delta$ ), as well as unknown  $T_\infty$  for a specified  $\Delta = \text{const.}$

In case (a), Eqs. (2.68)–(2.70) can be solved analytically at the boundary conditions (2.27)–(2.31) (and  $N = \text{const.}$ ), assumptions  $\alpha = \text{const.}$  and  $\Delta = \text{const.}$  and a power law for the radial distribution of the boundary layer thickness  $\delta \sim r^m$ . If the boundary conditions are approximated with arbitrary functions, Eqs. (2.68)–(2.70) are to be solved numerically being re-written to a notation that enables using the Runge–Kutta method [92, 96]:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha' = (\Phi_1\Phi_4 + \Phi_2)/(1 - \Phi_1\Phi_3), \\ \bar{\delta}' = (\Phi_2\Phi_3 + \Phi_4)/(1 - \Phi_1\Phi_3), \end{cases} \quad (2.72)$$

$$\Delta' = (S_1 - S_2 - S_3)/S_4. \quad (2.73)$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_2 &= \{[\text{sgn}(1 - \beta)|c_{fr}/2|\bar{r}^3 Re_{V_*}^2/\bar{\delta}^2 - Z_1\bar{\delta} \\ &\quad - G_1\bar{\delta} - G_2]/(\bar{\delta}\bar{r}) - Q_2\bar{r}^2\}/Q_1; \\ \Phi_4 &= \{-\text{sgn}(1 - \beta)|c_{f\varphi}/2|\bar{r}^2 Re_{V_*}^2/\bar{\delta}^2 - \bar{\delta}[\alpha Q'_3 + \bar{Q}'_4 \\ &\quad + (\beta Re_\omega)'(\alpha Q_5 + Q_6)]/Q_7\}; \\ \Phi_1 &= -Z_1/(\bar{\delta}Q_1); \Phi_3 = -\bar{\delta}Q_3/Q_7; \\ Z_1 &= Re_\omega^2(1 - \beta)^2[-B_1\alpha^2 + \alpha\kappa(A_1 - B_2) + \kappa^2(A_2 - B_3)]; \\ G_1 &= Re_\omega^2(C_1 + C_2\beta + C_3\beta^2); \\ G_2 &= Re_\omega^2(1 - \beta)\bar{\delta}[-A_1\alpha + \kappa(1 - A_2)]\bar{v}'_{r,\infty}; \\ Q_1 &= Re_\omega^2(1 - \beta)^2[-2\alpha B_1 + \kappa(A_1 - B_2)]; Q_3 = -Re_\omega^2(1 - \beta)^2 D_1 \\ Q_2 &= Re_{\omega i}^2\{-\alpha^2 B_1[\bar{r}^2(1 - \beta)^2]' \\ &\quad + \alpha(A_1 - B_2)[\bar{r}(1 - \beta)\bar{v}_{r,\infty}]' + (A_2 - B_3)(\bar{v}_{r,\infty}^2)'\}; \\ Q_4 &= -Re_\omega^2(1 - \beta)\bar{v}_{r,\infty} D_3/\bar{r}; Q_5 = -Re_\omega(1 - \beta)A_1; \\ Q_6 &= -Re_{\omega i}\bar{r}\bar{v}_{r,\infty}A_2; Q_7 = \alpha Q_3 + Q_4; \\ \bar{v}_{r,\infty} &= v_{r,\infty}/v_{r,\infty}(\omega a); Re_{\omega i} = \omega r_i^2/v; |c_{fr}/2| = (c_f/2)\alpha/(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}; \\ |c_{f\varphi}/2| &= (c_f/2)/(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}; \bar{\delta} = \delta/r_i; \bar{r} = r/r_i. \end{aligned}$$

Given  $\Delta \leq 1$  in Eq. (2.73), we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= -Re_\omega|1 - \beta|(1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2}St(\bar{T}_\infty - \bar{T}_w); \\ S_2 &= \bar{T}'_\infty \bar{\delta} Re_\omega \Delta^{n+1}[\alpha(1 - \beta)/(n + 1) - 2\Delta(\alpha(1 - \beta) - N)/(n + 2) \\ &\quad + \Delta^2(\alpha(1 - \beta) - N)/(n + 3)]; \\ S_3 &= \Delta^{n+1}L'_1 + \Delta^{n+2}L'_2 + \Delta^{n+3}L'_3; S_4 = L_1(n + 1)\Delta^n + L_2(n + 2)\Delta^{n+1} + L_3(n + 3)\Delta^{n+2}; \\ L_1 &= L_0 a_{*T}\alpha(1 - \beta); L_2 = L_0 b_{*T}(-2)[\alpha(1 - \beta) - N]; L_3 = L_0 c_{*T}[\alpha(1 - \beta) - N]; \\ L_0 &= \bar{\delta} Re_\omega(\bar{T}_\infty - \bar{T}_w), \bar{T} = T/T_{\text{ref}}. \end{aligned}$$

The function  $S_1$  has the identical form for  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $\Delta \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{For } \Delta \geq 1 : S_2 &= \bar{T}'_\infty \bar{\delta} Re_\omega [\alpha(1 - \beta)A_1 + NA_2 + N(\Delta - 1)]; \\
 S_3 &= L'_{1*} C_{6T}^* + L'_{2*} C_{7T}^*; \\
 S_4 &= -n_T \Delta^{-n_T-1} D_{2T} L_{1*} + [(1 + n_T \Delta^{-n_T-1})/(n_T + 1) \\
 &\quad - D_{4T} n_T \Delta^{-n_T-1} - 1] L_{2*}; \\
 L_{1*} &= L_0(1 - \beta)\alpha; \\
 L_{2*} &= L_0 N; \\
 C_{6T}^* &= -A_1 + \Delta^{-n_T} D_{2T}; \\
 C_{7T}^* &= (\Delta - \Delta^{-n_T})/(n_T + 1) - \Delta + 1 - A_2 + D_{4T} \Delta^{-n_T}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Derivatives with respect to the radial coordinate  $d/d\bar{r}$  are denoted here with primes;  $r_i$  is a characteristic radius (for instance, the inlet radius that is used here).

In case (b), i.e., in the Ekman-type layers

$$\begin{cases} \alpha' = \frac{c_f}{2} \alpha(\beta - 1) Re_\omega (1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2} \frac{4\pi A_1 r_i}{B_1 C_w b} + \frac{d\beta}{d\bar{r}} \frac{\alpha}{\beta - 1} - \frac{C_3[\beta + n/(n+1)]}{\bar{r}(\beta - 1)\alpha B_1} - \frac{\alpha}{\bar{r}}, \\ \beta' = \left\{ -\frac{c_f}{2} (1 - \beta)^2 Re_\omega (1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2} \frac{4\pi A_1 r_i}{D_1 C_w b} - \frac{2}{\bar{r}} \left[ \beta \left( 1 - \frac{A_1}{D_1} \right) - 1 \right] \right\} / \left( 1 - \frac{A_1}{D_1} \right), \end{cases} \quad (2.74)$$

$$\frac{d\bar{T}_\infty}{d\bar{r}} = \left[ St \frac{V_* r}{v} \frac{2\pi}{0.5 C_w} \frac{r_i}{b} \frac{1}{K_H} (\bar{T}_\infty - \bar{T}_w) + \frac{d\bar{T}_w}{d\bar{r}} \right] \frac{K_H}{K_H - 1}. \quad (2.75)$$

In the Ekman-type layers, authors [1, 2] recommended to assign the parameter  $K_H$  to be constant [92, 95, 97]:

$$K_H = 1 - (D_{2T}/A_1) \Delta^{-n_T} = \text{const.} \quad \text{or} \quad \Delta = \text{const.} \quad (2.76)$$

## 2.5 Disk Rotation in a Fluid Rotating as a Solid Body and Simultaneous Accelerating Imposed Radial Flow

We will consider here flows where  $\beta = \text{const.}$ ,  $N = \text{const.}$ , and  $\kappa > 0$ . The assumption  $\beta = \text{const.}$  outlines the solid-body rotation case that occurs in rotor-stator geometries. The assumption  $N = \text{const.}$  describes the case of accelerating radial flow, which occurs around the stagnation point of flow impinging onto a perpendicular plate. If  $\kappa > 0$ , fluid flow over a rotating disk never exhibits recirculation [1, 2, 68]. Given these assumptions, one can solve Eqs. (2.68) and (2.69) analytically. This solution can be written as [3]

$$\delta = C_\delta r^m, \quad C_\delta = \gamma(\omega/\nu)^{-2n/(3n+1)}, \quad \delta/r = \gamma Re_\omega^{-2n/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.77)$$

$$\alpha = \text{const.}, \quad m = (1 - n)/(3n + 1), \quad (2.78)$$

$$\gamma = \gamma_* |1 - \beta|^{(1-n)/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.79)$$

$$C_M = \varepsilon_M Re_\varphi^{-2n/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.80)$$

$$\dot{m}_d/(\mu r) = \varepsilon_m Re_\omega^{(n+1)/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.81)$$

$$c_f/2 = A_c Re_\omega^{-2n/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.82)$$

$$\alpha = -H_2/2H_3 + [(H_2/2H_3)^2 - H_1/H_3]^{1/2}, \quad (2.83)$$

$$\gamma_* = C_n^{-2/(3n+1)} (1 + \alpha^2)^{0.5(1-n)/(3n+1)} H_9^{-(n+1)/(3n+1)}, \quad (2.84)$$

$$\varepsilon_m = \varepsilon_m^* |1 - \beta|^{2(n+1)/(3n+1)}, \quad \varepsilon_m^* = 2\pi\gamma(A_1\alpha + A_2\kappa)\text{sgn}(1 - \beta), \quad (2.85)$$

$$\varepsilon_M = \frac{8\pi}{5 - 4n/(3n+1)} C_n^{-\frac{2}{n+1}} \gamma_*^{\frac{2n}{n+1}} |1 - \beta|^{\frac{2(n-1)}{3n+1}} (1 + \alpha^2)^{\frac{1-n}{2(n+1)}} \text{sgn}(1 - \beta), \quad (2.86)$$

$$A_c = C_n^{-2/(n+1)} \gamma_*^{-2n/(n+1)} (1 + \alpha^2)^{-n/(n+1)} |\beta - 1|^{-2n/(n+1)}, \quad (2.87)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 &= C_3(\beta - C_5) + (\beta - 1)\kappa^2 H_4; \quad H_2 = \kappa(\beta H_5 + H_6); \\ H_3 &= \beta H_7 + H_8; \\ H_4 &= 1 + (2 + m)A_2 - (3 + m)B_3; \quad H_5 = A_1(2 + m) \\ &\quad - B_2(3 + m) + D_4(m + 4) - A_2(2 + m); \\ H_6 &= -A_1(2 + m) + B_2(3 + m) + D_3(4 + m); \\ H_7 &= -(3 + m)B_1 + (4 + m)D_2 - (2 + m)A_1; \\ H_8 &= (3 + m)B_1 + (4 + m)D_1; \quad C_5 = C_1/C_3; \\ H_9 &= \alpha[(D_1 + \beta D_2)(4 + m) - \beta(2 + m)A_1] \\ &\quad + \kappa[(D_3 + \beta D_4)(4 + m) - \beta A_2(2 + m)]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.88)$$

Equation (2.70) can be solved analytically at the boundary conditions (2.29)–(2.31) provided that  $\Delta = \text{const.}$ ,  $Pr = \text{const.}$ , and  $n = n_T$ . An additional condition is  $D_{2T} = D_2$  and  $D_{4T} = D_4$ .

Equation (2.70) is to be solved jointly with Eq. (2.69), in view of Eqs. (2.31), (2.67), (2.77) and (2.78). As a result, one can derive [91]

$$\left[ F_1(2 + m + n_*) + \frac{\beta n_*}{\beta - 1} F_2 \right] \Delta^n Pr^{n_p} = (4 + m)C_4 + \frac{2\beta}{\beta - 1} C_5. \quad (2.89)$$

Functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are clarified in explanations to Eq. (2.70);  $C_4 = -(\alpha D_1 + \kappa D_2)$ ,  $C_5 = 1/(n+1) + 1/(n+2) + 1/(n+3)$ . Solutions of Eq. (2.89) for the cases  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $\Delta \leq 1$  are different (which is manifested via different mathematical expressions for  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  at  $\Delta \geq 1$  and  $\Delta \leq 1$ ). Heat transfer conditions at  $\Delta \geq 1$  can be observed for gases at  $Pr \leq 1$ . Conditions with  $\Delta \leq 1$  take place at heat transfer in liquids for  $Pr \geq 1$  (see Chap. 6).

Given simultaneously non-zero values of  $\beta$  and  $N$ , the algebraic Eq. (2.89) is transcendental. At  $N = 0$  and  $\Delta \geq 1$ , there exists an explicit solution for the parameter  $\Delta$ . The exponent  $n_p$  for flow over the free rotating disk is specified below.

Nusselt and Stanton numbers are given by the following equations:

$$St = A_c Re_\omega^{-2n/(3n+1)} \Delta^{-n} Pr^{-n_p}, \quad (2.90)$$

$$Nu = A_c (1 + \alpha^2)^{1/2} |1 - \beta| Re_\omega^{(n+1)/(3n+1)} \Delta^{-n} Pr^{1-n_p}. \quad (2.91)$$

The *present integral method* is thoroughly validated for turbulent air flow and extended to laminar flow in Chaps. 3 and 4. Simulations for a free rotating disk ( $\beta = 0, N = 0$ ) are described in detail in Chap. 3. Cases of a rotating disk in a fluid that (a) co-rotates as a solid body ( $\beta = \text{const.}, N = 0$ ), and (b) is uniformly accelerating and non-rotating ( $\beta = 0, N = \text{const.}$ ), as well as for the case of turbulent through flow between parallel co-rotating disks are analyzed in Chap. 4. A description of an extension of the integral method for gases and liquids at Prandtl or Schmidt numbers larger than unity is documented in Chap. 6.

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