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Operational profile optimization on a container ship

Operational profile

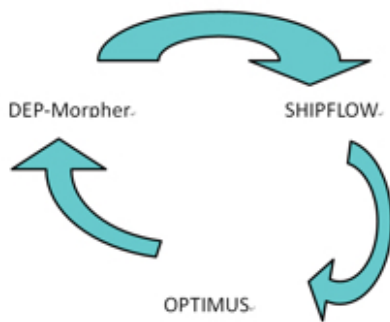
	T(m)	Vs(kn)	Ratio
About 9000TEU	12.5	15	15%
		19	30%
		23	5%
	14.5	14	15%
		18	30%
		22.5	5%



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Integrated System of Automatic Optimization



Flowchart of Optimization

- **DEP-Morpher** : Surface deformation on parametric expression
- **Shipflow** : Solution to wave-making resistance
- **Optimus** : Optimization algorithm



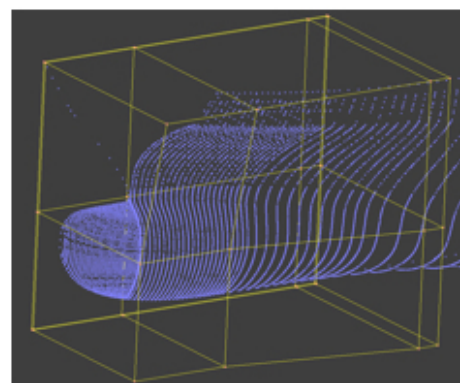
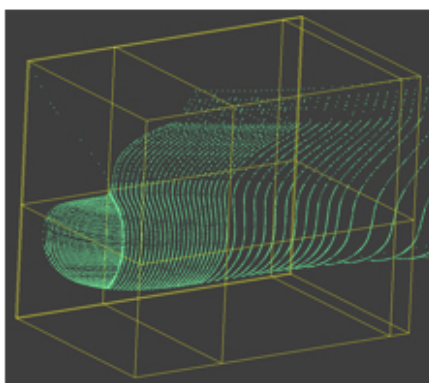
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Object Function: Minimum wave-making resistance

Variables: Length/breadth/height of Bulbous bow

Range: 18.5#~20#(fore perpendicular)



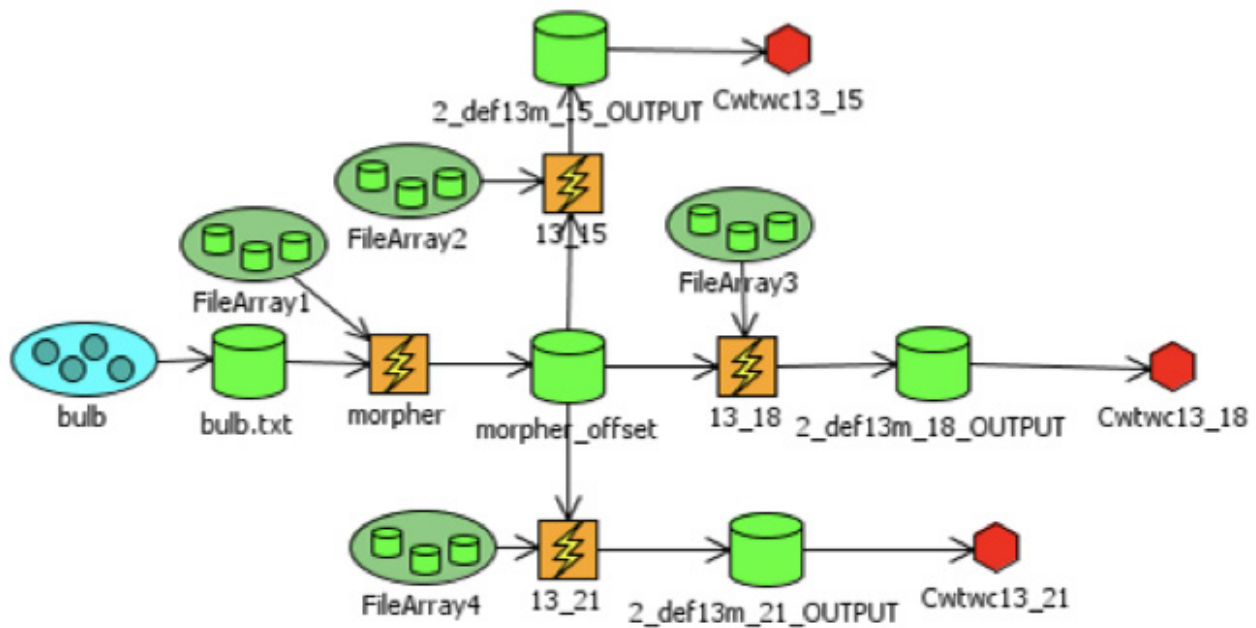
Parametric expression on Surface and deformation



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Deformation and solution



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Comparison between original(**Up**) and optimized(**Down**) lines

CFD result

T(m)	Vs(kn)	Cw (Opti-Orig)
12.5	15	-0.6
	19	-0.35
	23	-0.08
14.5	14	-0.55
	18	-0.2
	22.5	0.06



➤ Potential code shows, optimized line has a lower wave-making resistance except at 14.5m and 22.5kn

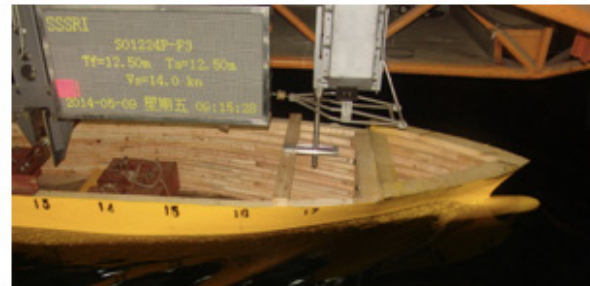
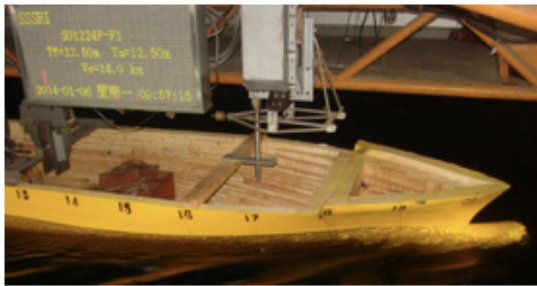
➤ Optimized line has a lower and less pronounced bulb



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Comparison between original(**Left**) and optimized(**Right**) lines



➤ **Compared** with the original line, optimized line has improved wave-making resistance remarkably at 14kn and 17.8kn(12.5m draft)



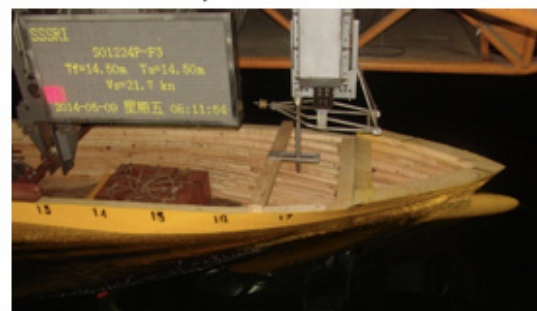
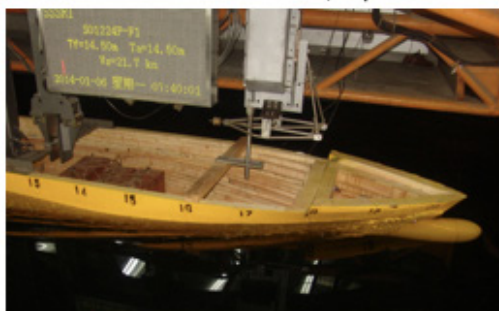
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Comparison between original(**Left**) and optimized(**Right**) lines



➤ **At 12.5m** and 21.7kn, optimized line has a better performance



➤ **However, at 14.5m** and 21.7kn, optimized line has a poor performance

➤ The reason should be: lower and slender bulb, which reduced interference intensity between bulb and fore-body.



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Comparison and conclusion

T(m)	Vs(kn)	dCr=Optimal-Original		Pe
		Viscous CFD	Modeltest	
12.5	15	-0.69	-0.70	-28%
	19	-0.42	-0.45	-20%
	23	-0.06	-0.09	-4%
14.5	14	-0.50	-0.49	-23%
	18	-0.15	-0.14	-9%
	22.5	0.04	0.08	3.8%

➤ CFD shows not only the right direction of optimization, but also very close value to model test

➤ Optimized line has a very satisfactory performance , validated by model test with a weighted benefit about 16%



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Energy saving device study on a container ship

Rudder Bulb-RB
Propeller Cap Turbine-PCT
Thrust Fin-TF



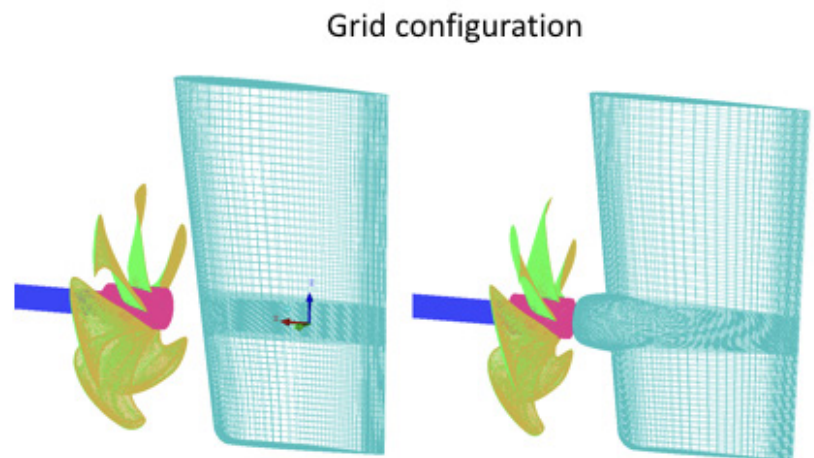
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Rudder Bulb study

CFD setup:

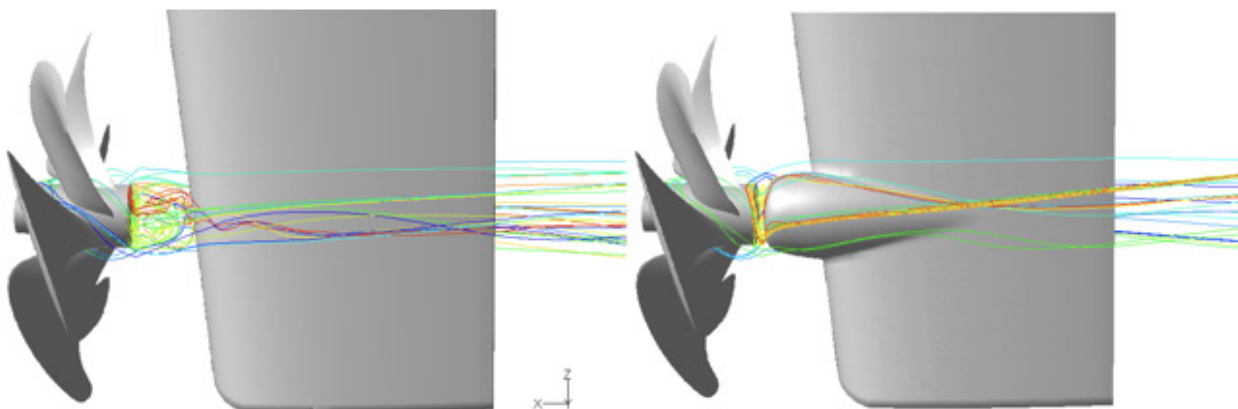
- Inflow-uniform
- Mesh-Sliding mesh
- Unsteady



With rudder bulb (Right)
and without(Left)



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Streamline after Propeller with(right) and w/o(left) rudder bulb

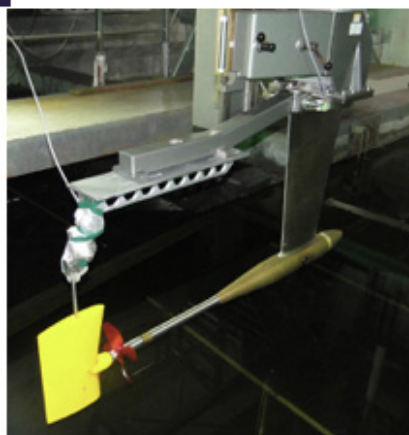
- Hub outflow improved
- inflow of rudder also improved



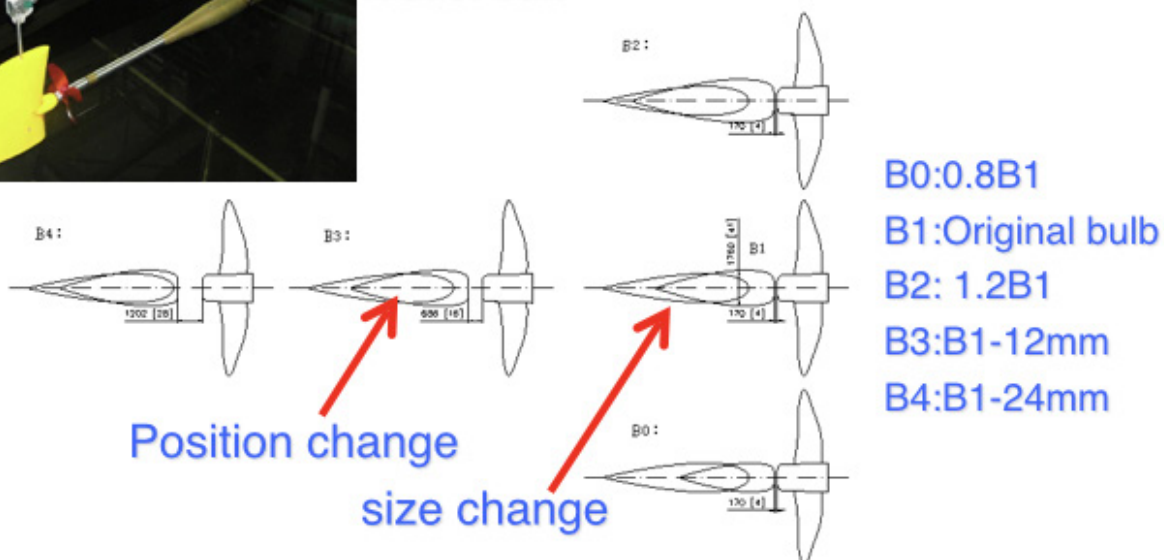
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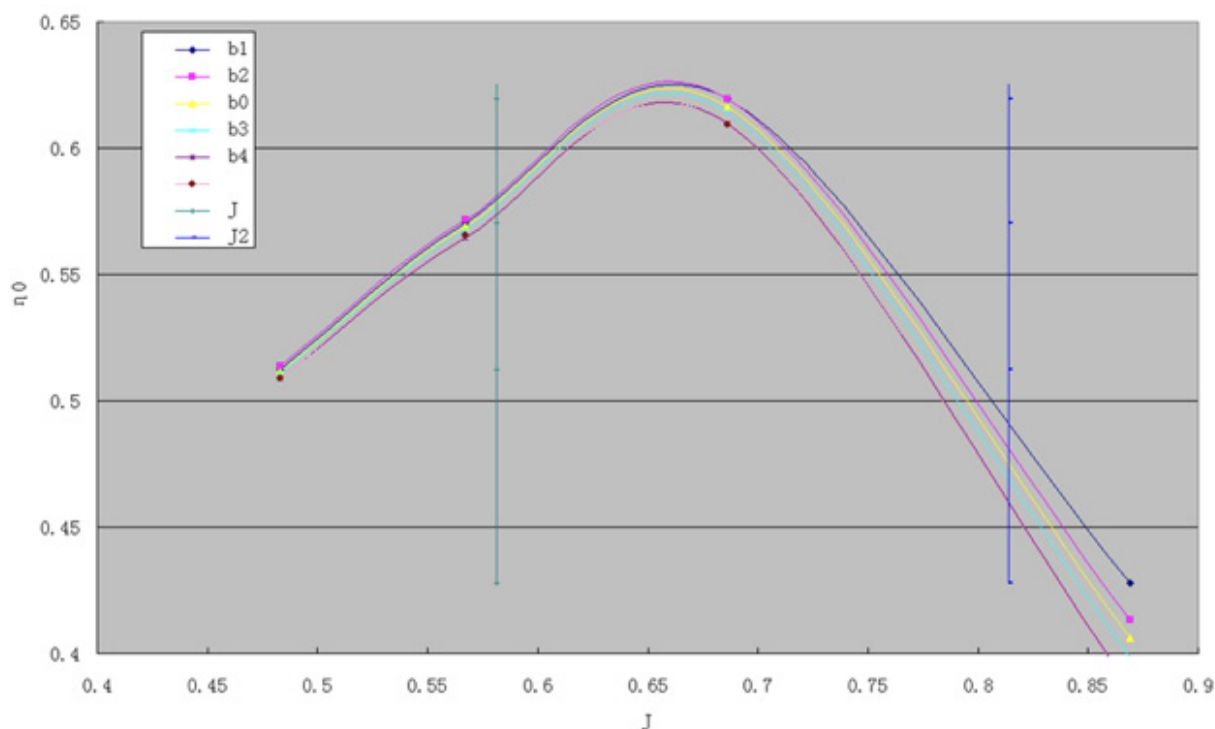
Test setup and Systematic change of size and position



Test setup of rudder bulb



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Comparison between CFD&EFD

Size effect	J=0.81	CFD	1.2times > Ori > 0.8times > W/O
		EFD	Same as CFD
	J=0.58	CFD	1.2times > Ori > 0.8times > W/O
		EFD	Ori > 1.2times > 0.8times > W/O
Position effect		CFD	Ori > BW12 > BW24 > W/O
		EFD	Same as CFD

'>' means better than ; Ori~ Original bulb; BW~ backward

Conclusions:

- Generally, CFD agrees with EFD
- Large bulb size tends to performs better
- Rudder bulb should be as close to Prop hub as possible



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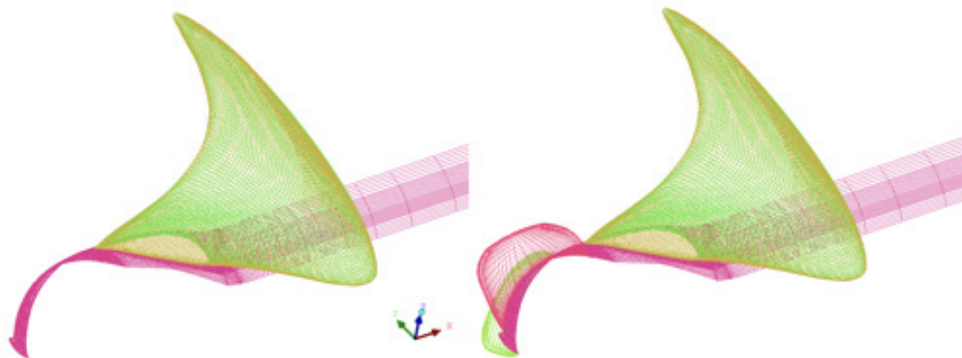


9000TEU- PCT STUDY

Propeller: six blades with large skew

CFD:

- Only one channel, periodical condition is used
- Hex, multi-block structural, boundary layer grid



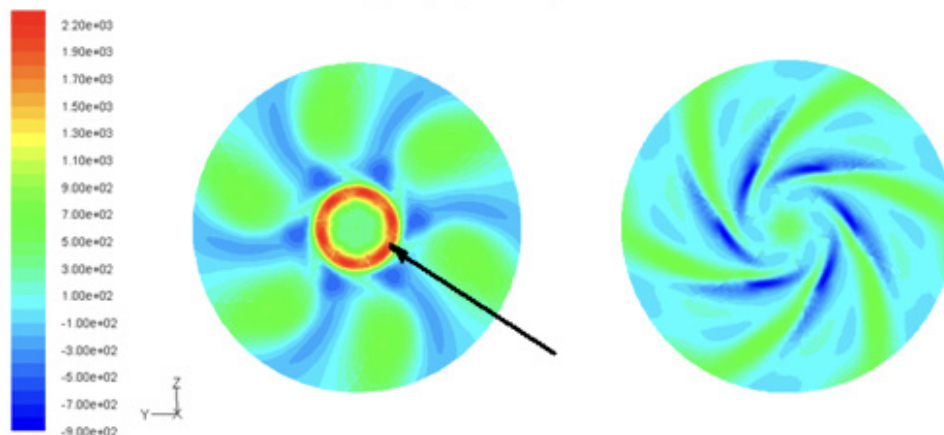
Grid configuration



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Vortex intensity comparison w&w/o PCT



vortex intensity distribution after hub
w/o(left) and w(right) PCT

➤ Remarkable decrease of vortex intensity with PCT



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Comparison of open-water efficiency between CFD&EFD w&w/o PCT

J	Etao(CFD-PBCF)			Etao(EFD-PBCF)		
	A (W/O)	B (W)	(B/A-1)%	A (W/O)	B (W)	(B/A-1)%
0.40	0.4366	0.4418	1.19	0.4362	0.4423	1.40
0.50	0.5223	0.5260	0.71	0.5244	0.531	1.26
0.60	0.5846	0.5876	0.51	0.5977	0.6045	1.15
0.70	0.6092	0.6123	0.51	0.6451	0.6524	1.13

Conclusions:

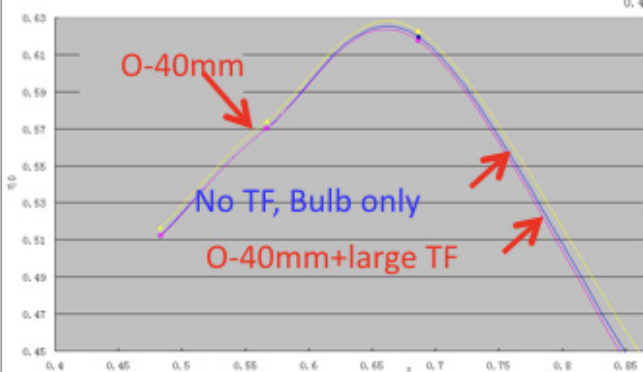
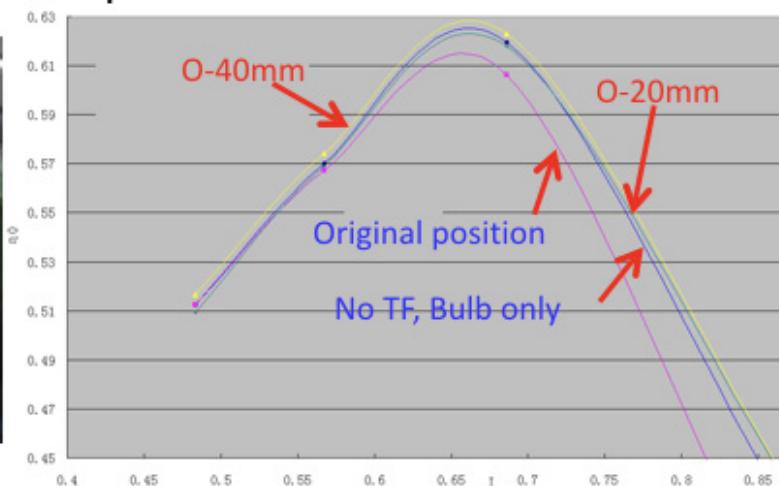
- PCT can increase open-water efficiency
- Effect of PCT tends to decrease with advance ratio increase
- CFD slightly underestimates the effect of PCT



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Model test setup and comparison



Conclusions:

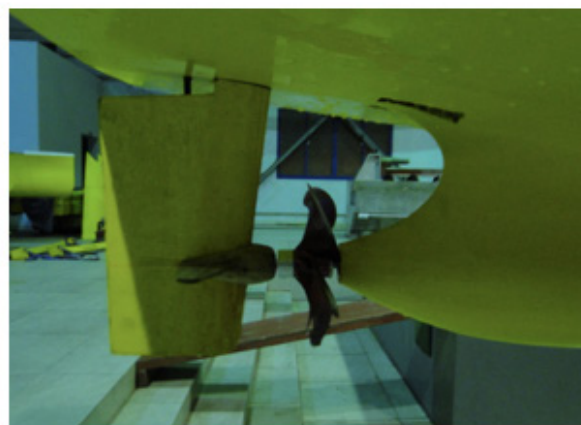
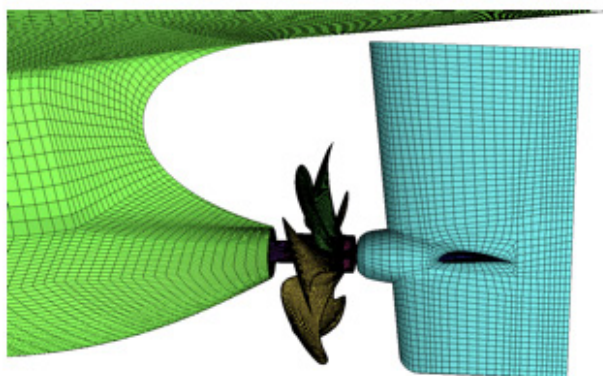
- TF has better performance when further from propeller
- Large TF seems to be unnecessary
- Unsuitable position or size could deteriorate the performance



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Further simulation and validation



CFD	EFD
2.2%	3.9%



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Summarize of ESDs

- RB should be large enough to match propeller hub and the thickness of rudder, and the distance between hub and RB should be as close as possible.
- PCT can increase open-water efficiency by 0.9%-1.7% at different advance ratio $J=0.4-0.75$. K_t increases and K_q decreases. PCT is not very sensitive to pitch angle, hub length and installation angle.
- For RTF, installation angle, longitudinal position, are important parameters. From open-water efficiency, it's found that -1° is the best one. Afterwards 40mm position is the best. Chord length change is not so sensitive to efficiency.
- Model test further shows, propulsive efficiency increases by 3-4% with RB and RTF for the studied case.



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General Conclusions

Operational profile has aroused more and more attention in the past years. EEDI pressure on new ships and profit-driven motivation have pushed ship owners to take every possible measures to improve ship's performance. For the container ship,

- From CFD study and model test, it's possible to reduce weighted resistance over 10% taking operational profile into account
- PCT, RB and RTF are suitable energy saving devices. Model test shows, RB and RTF are suitable combination which contributes 3-4% power reduction.
- Work in this paper will help to reduce overall resistance and increase propulsive efficiency with suitable energy saving devices.



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