Overview

Wind Tunnels are essential tools for Aerodynamic research. They are predominantly used for conducting aerodynamic measurements on scaled down models of aerospace vehicles like civil and military aircrafts, aircraft components like wings and tail planes, helicopters and flapping wing vehicles, spacecrafts, missiles etc. Apart from aerospace applications, they are also widely used for aerodynamic measurements of automobiles, trucks, high speed trains, earth fixed structures like high rise buildings, chimneys, bridges, solar panel arrays etc. The international expert involved in this course, Prof. Moshe Zilberman, has been associated with the Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) for a long time. He has held very high positions like Head of Wind Tunnel Facility, Director Marketing etc. During the past few years he has moved to academia. He is currently serving as Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering Azielli, Academic College of Engineering, Jerusalem, Israel.

This course would introduce participants to both fundamental principles and practical issues of wind tunnel design and testing. In addition to the classical methods and practices, state-of-the-art developments would be discussed. In this course, Prof. Zilberman will share knowledge from his extensive practical experience in aircraft industry, execution of challenging research projects, and successful design and installation of several wind tunnels. The participants will get an exposure of various theoretical and practical aspects of wind tunnel design and testing from an industry leader. The topics covered will include latest approaches for efficient design of wind tunnel components, design practices for achieving high quality flow, wind tunnel construction, installation & operational issues, design and testing issues related to specific applications covering both aerospace and non-aerospace domains, wind tunnel instrumentation and model preparation, wind tunnel testing etc.

Objectives

The primary objectives of the course are as follows:

• Exposing participants to the fundamental aspects of wind tunnel design and testing. Enhancing their background knowledge so that they are able to appreciate the major issues and challenges involved.

• Application of basic principles to carry out hands-on simple design exercise from first principles.

• Basic exposure to multidisciplinary aspects of wind tunnel design. Preliminary knowledge of various subsystems of a modern wind tunnel.

• Exposure to wind tunnel instrumentation and measurement techniques.

• Practical information and exposure to wind tunnel design and testing so that participants develop the confidence to design and build facilities in future.
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