

Complete Design and Assemble of Wind Turbine Bald

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Abstract the feasibilities of using wind energy in the Kuwait have analyzed and investigated. The wind speed level and resources in Kuwait was investigated experimentally. The aerodynamic of the rotor of wind turbine is investigated experimentally. Aerodynamic of wind turbines is studied theoretical using Flo software based on the theoretical models. All components of wind turbine are selected and manufactured in Kuwait. The required materials for assembling rotor and main shaft were performed. The material of the turbine is investigated for stage of building and assembling.

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1. Introduction

Today, the cost per kWh energy generated by the wind turbine is reduced to half of the cost 10 years ago. It is provided that this development will continue and it is generally expected that the wind power technology will be competitive with other types of energy sources such as solar energy, thermal energy, etc [1]. Photo shown in Figure 1, shows the biggest turbine which installed in the Brittin, its capacity is 10MW. There are two methods of using wind energy in the generation of electricity. Beedell et al. [2], studied methods of connection wind turbine technology with general applications. The common method is related to grid-connected wind turbines. This method is considered commercially available and mature. Also, this method is simple and not complicated. The overall cost of these turbines is low. A lot of wind turbines are installed in different places from around the world such as USA, Denmark, Holland, Germany, Egypt, etc.



Figure 1. Modern biggest wind turbine 10 MW installed in Britain [3]

The other method of connection wind turbine is standalone station. This method can be used in the very remote area and there is not public electrical grid there. The cost of this method is high and very complicated. Also, there are a lot of troubles and problems that can occur during operation of these turbines. In the Middle East, a lot of windmills were installed throughout the 20th century and were installed in the farms and groups. The Dutch refined the windmill and adapted it to other uses, particularly, draining lakes and marshes in the Rhine River Delta. Through the 1900s, small wind systems were developed to generate DC current that was stored in a bank of batteries. Most of these units were used in standalone stations and used in rural areas where the connection of grid power is very expensive. Development of large electrical windmills began in Denmark as early as 1890, though most other countries failed to initiate efforts until the 1930s, [4]. The most successful commercial wind turbines as of now are machines of installed capacities of up to 2.0 MW, and at this time the next generation of turbines in the 3 MW size are being tested. It is known that turbine availability is its ability to work continually when wind speed is higher than start-up limit. In most designs the technical availability of turbines is reached 98-99% approximately in Beedell et al. [4] in year 2014, India has been installed very large wind farms. The total capacity of this wind is reached 28500 MW. This farm is considered from the fifth largest wind farm in the world. The minimum capacity of turbine is 5 MW. All turbines from types of horizontal axis wind turbines. The percentage of wind power in India reached nearly 8.5% of total installed power generation capacity [5-13].

Many works [14-19] investigated the feasibility of wind turbines in KIA, Jal Aliyah, Airport, Al-Salmi, Al-wafra,

and Abdaly etc. The meteorological data were used to evaluate and analyze wind energy characteristics and to determine the location with highest wind energy potential. Their studied established ability of wind energy but all study was on feasibility study, the electricity amount not consider in their study.

The main goal of the present study is to give a complete design and assembly to the Wind Turbine bald, also give a method of measuring energy then simulated using Flo software.

2. Design of Wind Turbine Bald

Equation 1 can be used to determine the wind turbine tip speed ratio. Tip speed ratio is defined as the ration of tip speed of blade to relative wind speed. This equation can be written as following:

$$\lambda = \frac{wR}{V} \tag{1}$$

In equation 1, λ is the tip speed ratio, ω is the rotor rotational speed in radians per second, R is the rotor radius in meters and V is the wind speed.

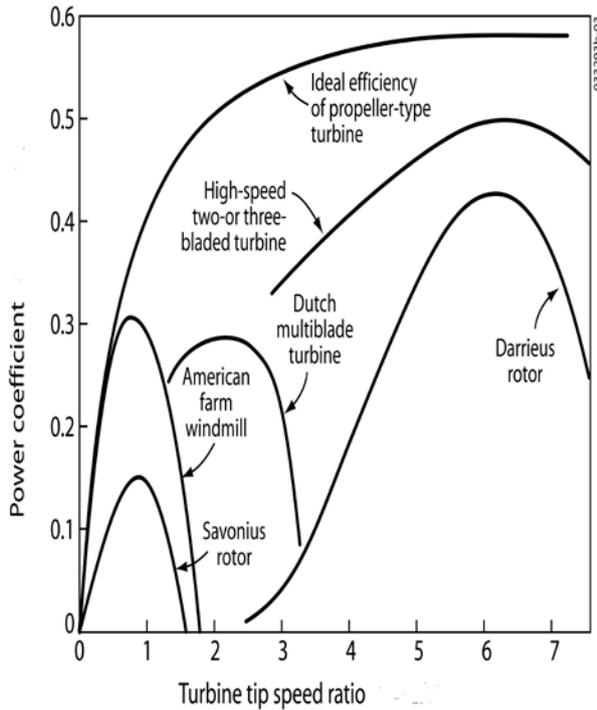


Figure 2. Power Turbine tip Speedy ration with power coefficient [20]

2.1. Design Assumptions

Power rated = 500 w, Power coefficient = 0.1- 0.15, design wind speed = 12 m/s, Air density = 1.25 kg/m³, No. of Magnus Turbine cylinder used = 3 and No. of Savonius Turbine blades used = 3.

2.2. Blade Size

The blade for turbine consists of two parts Savonius and Magnus. To select the size of blade first assume the cylinder diameter for Magnus part is, d = 0.16 m.

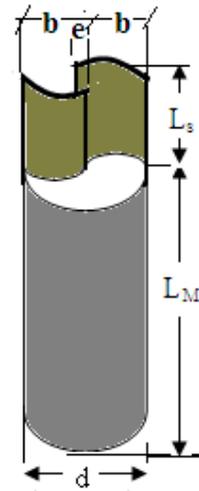


Figure 3. Blade style of suggest turbine

2.3. Aerodynamic Forces Effect on Turbine

Drag force on Savonius part, F_D

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} \times C_D \times A \times V^2 \times \rho \tag{2}$$

Lift force on cylinder part, F_L

$$F_L = \frac{1}{2} \times C_L \times A \times V^2 \times \rho \tag{3}$$

The rotor Power output is given by:

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \times C_p \times A \times V^3 \times \rho \tag{4}$$

- C_D = drag coefficient
- C_L : lift force coefficient
- A: area of rotor, m²
- V: wind speed, m/s
- ρ : air density.

2.4. Rotor Design

The first step is design rotor blades and cylinder part. The required power is 500 W.

$$500 = 0.5 \times 0.25 \times 12^3 \times A \times 0.15,$$

$$A = \frac{500}{0.5 \times 0.15 \times 1.25 \times 12^3} = 3 \text{ m}^2.$$

A = total area of rotor = DH

Assuming D = 2.4 m

H = A/D = 3/2.4 = 1.25 m

Where,

D: diameter of rotor

H: height of

2.5. Savonius Gap (e)

Different investigation studied the opium value of air gap in Savonius rotor blade. [21] recommended that the opium value of e can be taken as $e_{opt} = d/6$. This value will give the best aerodynamic forces on the Savonius rotor (see Figure 4).

$b + b - e = 6$, $e = b/6$ for optimum [16].
 $2b - e/b = d$
 $1.83 b = 0.16$
 $b = 0.16/1.83 = 0.09m = 9 \text{ cm}$
 then $e = 9/6 = 1.5\text{cm}$

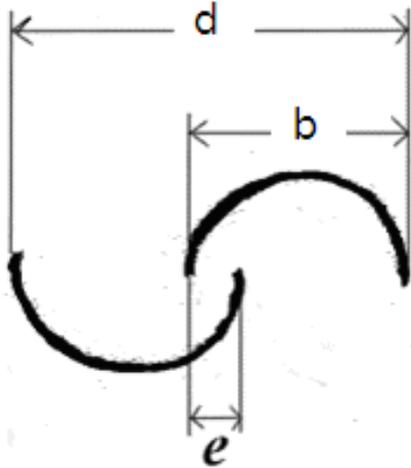


Figure 4. Definition of the values d, b and e for Savonius rotor

Take the length of Savonius blade part 25% from total height $L_s = 0.25 \times 1.25 = 0.31 \text{ m}$, Then the length of Magnus blade $L_M = 1.25 - 0.31 = 0.94 \text{ m}$, Then the total height = $H = 0.31 + 0.94 = 1.25\text{m}$.

2.6. Rotor Solidity

The solidity of a wind turbine rotor is the ratio between the area of the blades projected into the rotor plane and the total area covered by the rotating blades, A_{blade} -The combined solidity, i.e .the sum of solidities of the blades, is hence :

$$Sol = \frac{n.A_{blade}}{A_{swept}} = \frac{n.d \times H}{\pi R^2}$$

Where n is the number of wind turbine blades, 3. Where R is rotor radius, $R = D/2 = 2.4/2 = 1.2 \text{ m}$.
 $A_{blade} = \text{cylinder surface area} = \pi \times d \times H = 3.14 \times 0.16 \times 1.25 = 0.628 \text{ m}^2$, $A_{swept} = \pi \times R^2 = 3.14 \times 2.4^2 = 18 \text{ m}^2$.

Then

$$Sol = \frac{3 \times 0.628}{18} = 0.11.$$

Acceptable value for most wind turbines.

2.7. Torque Calculations

From Diagram given in Figure 5 it can select proper tip speed ratio for turbine as $\lambda = 2$ approx.

$\lambda = 2 = \omega_R/V$, then $R =$ rotor radius = 1.2 m, $V = 12 \text{ m/s}$,
 ω : angular velocity of rotor at design wind speed, Then,
 $\omega = \lambda \times V/R = 2 \times 12/1.2 = 20 \text{ rad/s}$.

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi N}{60}$$

$$N = \frac{\omega \times 60}{2\pi} = \frac{20 \times 60}{2 \times \pi} = 190.9 \text{ rpm},$$

take the rotor speed = 200 rpm, and $P = \text{Torque} \times \text{angular velocity}$.

$$P = T \times \omega.$$

$$T = \frac{P}{\omega} = \frac{500}{20} = 25 \text{ N.m}.$$

Where, T is transmitted torque by rotor of turbine. Another equation is used in design of wind turbine shaft.

2.8. Selecting Turbine Generator

The maximum generator shaft torque can be calculated using equation [22]:

$$T_{max} = V^2 \times \frac{R^2}{\lambda_{max}^2}$$

Take wind speed maximum, $V_{max} = 25 \text{ m/s}$.

$R =$ rotor radius = 1.2 m, $\lambda_{max} = 4$ for Magnus/Savonius turbines, $T_{max} = 25^2 \times 1.2^2/4^2 = 56.25 \text{ Nm}$. As discussed in previous chapter that the generator type is Permanent DC, 12/24 v. the rated power is 500 W. The maximum Tip speed at speed $V = 25\text{m/s}$ is increased to highest value of 4. The power output from generator is 500 W at wind speed of 12 m/s and at 200 rpm. Take charged voltage for generator is 16 v, then Generator ampere $I = \text{Power}/\text{voltage} = 500/16 = 31.25 \text{ A}$.

2.9. Battery Specification

Voltage: 12 V, Ampere: 42 A, Battery active power = $V \times I = 42 \times 12 = 504\text{W}$.

2.10. Main Shaft Design

The shaft should be design as the following loading (see Figure 5):

1. shear stress due torque on the shaft
2. bending moment due to axial thrust on the shaft from wind
3. fatigue due to cycling load

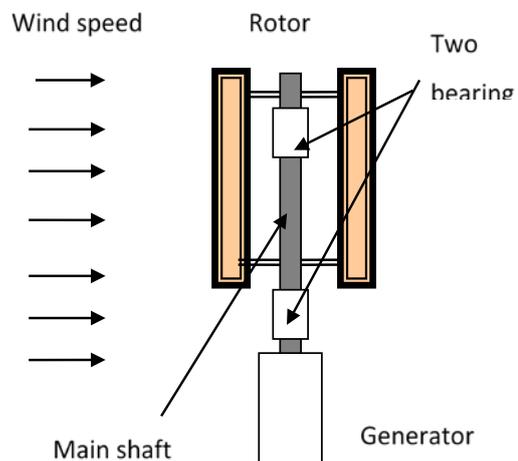


Figure 5. turbine aerodynamic & parts

Axial thrust force calculation:

Assume, F_{ao} = Maximum (theoretical) axial thrust on the horizontal axis machine (see Figure 6).

$$F_{ao} = \frac{1}{2} \rho V_o^2 A.$$

But the actual thrust is the rate of momentum of the airstreams on disk, then:

$$F_a = \frac{1}{2} C_T \rho V_o^2 A.$$

If C_T is the thrust coefficient, which defined as the fraction of thrust force experienced by the actual turbine. In practice the value of C_T on the wind turbine appears to the wind as = (0.2-0.45). From power curve given in Appendix C, the rated power occurs at wind speed of 25 m/s, so take, $C_T = 0.25$, $V_o = 25$ m/s, $\rho = 1.25$ kg/m³, A of one blade = 3m² from rotor design.

Then,

$F_a = 0.5 \times 0.25 \times 1.25 \times 25^2 \times 3 = 292.96 = 293$ N, in most design of vertical turbine, the total shaft length.

$$L = 1.5 H = 1.5 \times 1.25 = 1.875 \text{ m.}$$

With assuming the thrust force effect on the midpoint of shaft horizontally, then Bending moment = $M_{max} = W \times L/4 = 293 \times 1.875/4 = 137.3$ Nm.

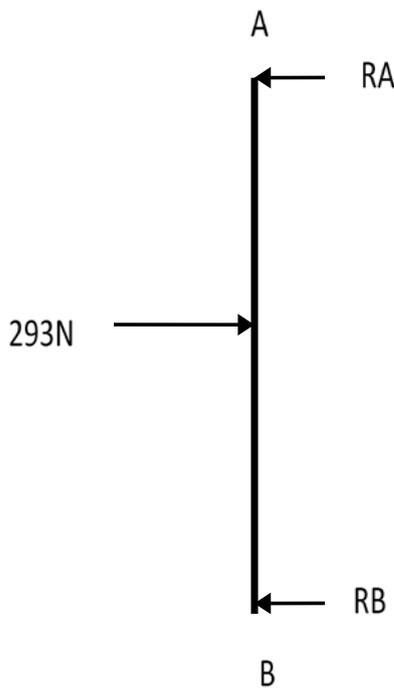


Figure 6. Thrust load on shaft loading

By using ASME code equation for shaft design we have, [23].

$$d = \frac{16}{\pi(1-k)\tau} \sqrt{(K_{tb}M)^2 + (K_{ts}T)^2}.$$

Assume:

For 15 reduction in area of shaft due to fixing rotor and generator using keyways, then $k=0.15$, from Tables, for rotating shaft with minor shock loads, $K_{tb} = 1.5$ and $K_{ts} = 1$. Assume the shaft is made of 1018, cold rolled steel, from Table A-20, $S_{ut} = 440$ MPa, $S_{yt} = 370$ MPa, and

$\tau_{max} = 370/2 = 185$ MPa, taking factor of safety n , then $\tau_{all} = 185/2 = 92.5$ MPa.

$$d = \frac{16 \times 10^3}{\pi(1-0.15) \times 92.5} \times \sqrt{(1.5 \times 0.137)^2 + (1 \times 0.56)^2} = 38.6 \text{ mm.}$$

Take the shaft design as 40mm for safety see (Figure 7).

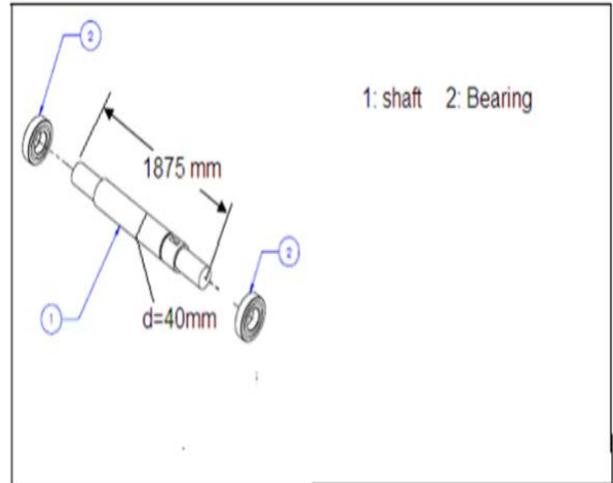


Figure 7. shaft drawing & dimensions

Because there is thrust at bearing B, use Table 11-2 to select bearing size as following: For angular –contact ball bearing, it can select bearing as series – 02: take Bore = 35 mm, OD = 72 mm, width 17 mm (see Figure 8).

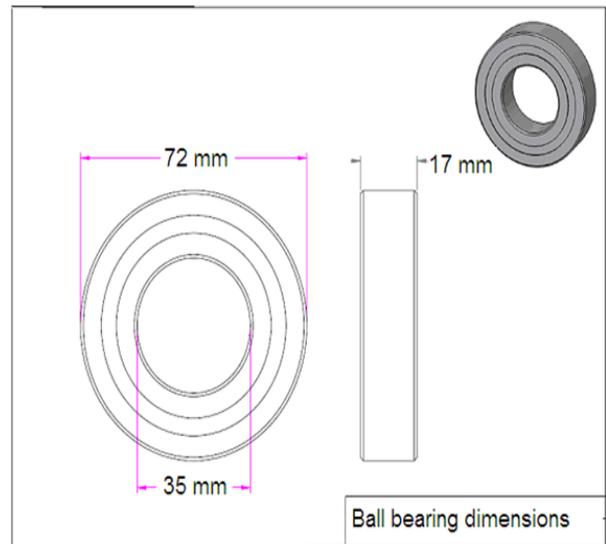


Figure 8. Bearing dimensions

2.11. Braking System Design

The braking system consists of hydraulic pump, solenoid valve, oil tank caliper, disc with pads (see Figure 9). In most design of wind turbine, the braking torque = 2-3 maximum torque on the rotor. At wind speed 25 m/s, the maximum rotor torque is 56.25 Nm. So, the brake torque can be estimated as following: $T_b = 2 \times T_{max} = 2 \times 56.25 = 112.5$ Nm, Assume the dice selected diameter is 15 cm, then Dics radius = $0.15/2 = 0.075$ m, Brake force = $F_b = T/r = 112.5/0.075 = 1500$ N [23].

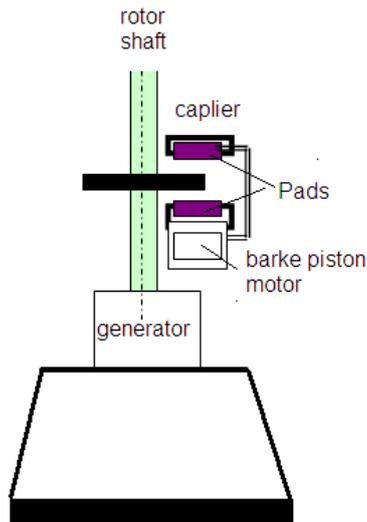


Figure 9. braking parts on the turbine

Hydraulic pressure needed $p = F/A_p$, Where A_p is piston area of hydraulic pump, for 20 mm diameter of pump piston, $d_p = 0.02m$, $A_p = (3.14/4) \times 0.02^2 = 3.14 \times 10^{-4} m^2$, Pressure $p = 1500/3.14 \times 10^{-4} = 4.777 MPa$.

2.12. Suggested Raw Material & Accessories of Proposed Wind Turbine

Rotor material:

Figure 10 shows the main parts of suggested turbine which will be build in the second stage from the project.

The rotor consists of cylinder, Savonius blade, shaft, bearing. The cylinder will make from plastic containers with diameter 0.16 m and suitable thickness. The Savonius part will make also, from plastic sheets or old containers with width 9 cm and gap 1.5 cm and total height is 31 cm. This rotor will use Savonius and Magnus effect in the consideration. The Savonius rotor of turbine will be designed with a set of blades; it can use also plastic PVC tubes with suitable diameter for manufacturing blade and Magnus cylinder. In this case, it can get on the low cost, and symmetrical shape of design prototype. It can use pipe with outer diameter of 6.5 inch (16 cm). The 6.5 inch PVC pipe will be cut to the sizes specified and glued together using PVC cement. The buckets were cut into 2" half cylinder ribs and attached to the PVC frame. The rib structure was then covered in one layer of chicken wire to add stability while adding very little weight. To connect the blades to the axle of the bike rims, a flange nut can be epoxy into a PVC bushing which was glued into the blade assembly.

2.13. Shaft

The main shaft can select from mild steel, with main diameter of 40 mm with length 1.9 m approximately. For decreasing the weight, it can use aluminum shaft or hallow iron shaft (see Figure 11).

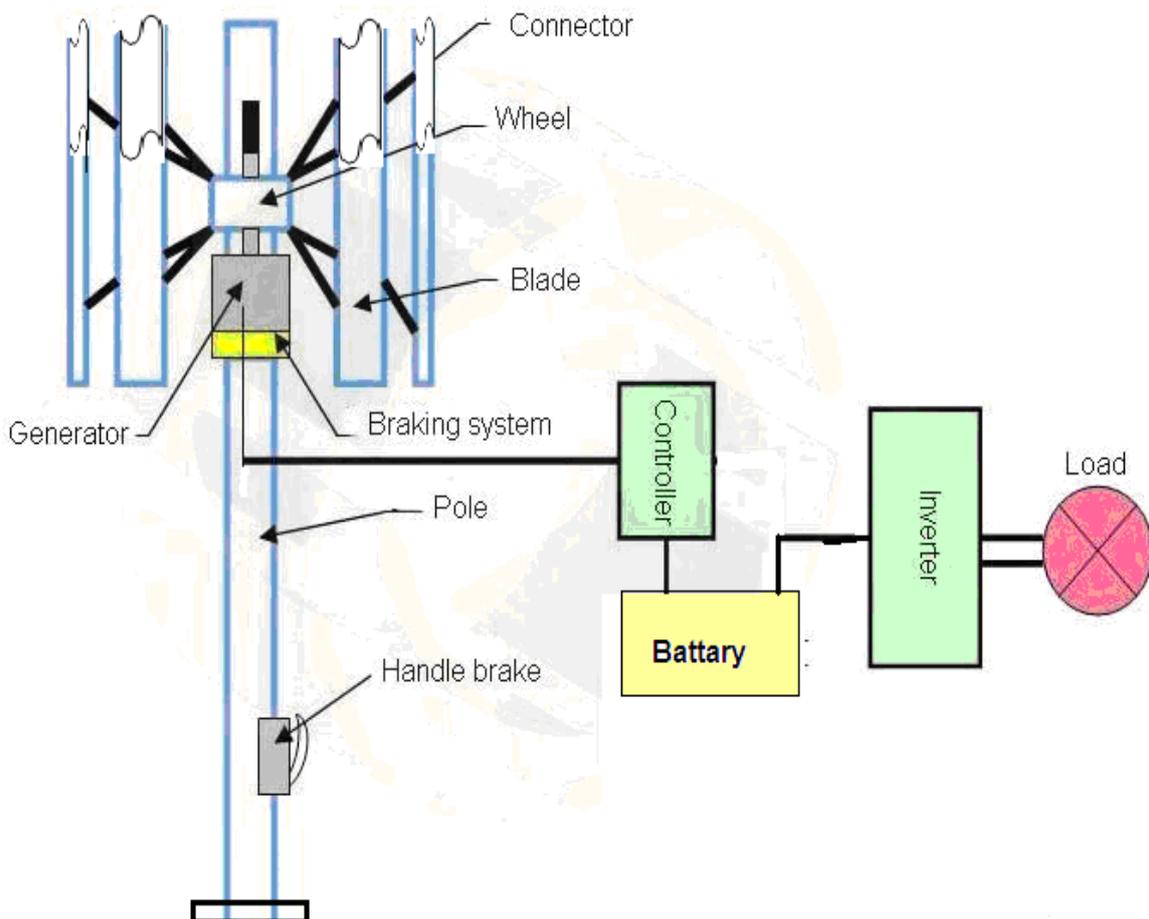


Figure 10. Flow chart of proposed turbine



Figure 11. Iron shaft

2.14. Bearing

Two ball bearing can be selected for decreasing friction on the main shaft of turbine. The ball bearing can be decreasing the operating starting required torque of turbine as shown in Figure 12.



Figure 12. Ball bearing different components

The inner diameter is 35 mm, outer diameter is 72 mm. So, the overall parts needed for manufacturing rotor can be summarized as:

1. PVC pipe, sheet plastic
2. 2 ball Bearings (bottom one needs to be able to handle a load)
3. Grease nipple
4. A rod 40 mm round aluminum for shaft
5. wood
6. sheet metal with thickness 2 cm

2.15. Turbine Tower

The tower was designed to be 10 m in height to give efficient wind speed. It will use old scraps from wood or iron tube for assembling the tower. The tower will be made as rectangular cross-sectional area with 50x50 cm. two iron plate or sheet with thickness 10 mm was used to fix generator with building and generator with tower.

2.16. Selected Generator Specifications

Permanent Magnet DC variable speed generator will be used when assembling the turbine. There are different types and styles on the market that can used with wind turbines. Several generators can be used to capable of

providing a decent power at rotational speeds well below those required for a wind turbine.

- Power rated 500 W at 200 rpm
- DC output
- Output voltage 12/24 v
- Amps. 35 A
- Variable speed
- Can be used with vertical turbines
- No. of phase is one
- No. of poles 4
- Self excited
- Self-unloading
- Gearless

3. Wind Turbine Blade Test

After compiling background research, we analyzed the information and decided upon two chosen turbine blade designs that could be tested to demonstrate improved results. The two designs were an adjustable angle S1223 airfoil design and a split Savonius airfoil design. To begin the design process, we kept the some of the parameters of the old design, such as turbine height, blade size, and diameter of the VAWT. An additional design parameter was to allow each blade to rotate 360° and provide them with a capability to be locked at any desired angle. The airfoil design was also comprised of three blades because research indicates 3 blades for wind turbines with airfoils is ideal for limiting vibrations and increasing efficiency (see Figure 13).

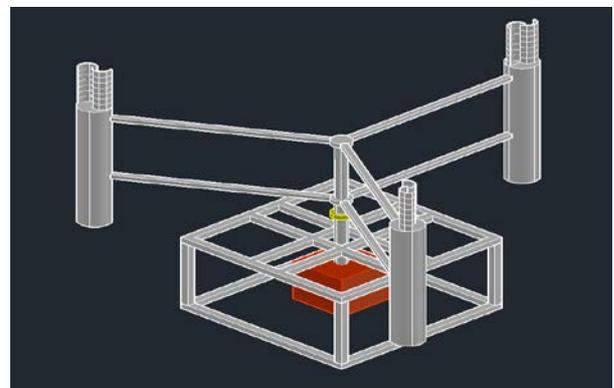


Figure 13. rotor design configuration

Prior to designing the split Savonius wind turbine, we created parameters in order to allow testing to be assessed in comparison to testing in previous projects. These parameters assured that the turbine blades were of same height, and the total radii of the blades are the same as the flat bladed designs from this study.

After examining different wind turbines, we decided that a simple split Savonius design would fit best for our application. The split Savonius we designed had a zero offset indicating that where the overlapped cusps meet the distance in the y-axis is zero. This can be seen in Figure 13, 3 where the red line indicates the zero offset. In addition, the overlapping cusps had an offset of 1.5 inches in order to surpass the 0.5-inch rod, located in the center of the blades, without creating interference and allow for wind to pass past the rod (see Figure 14).

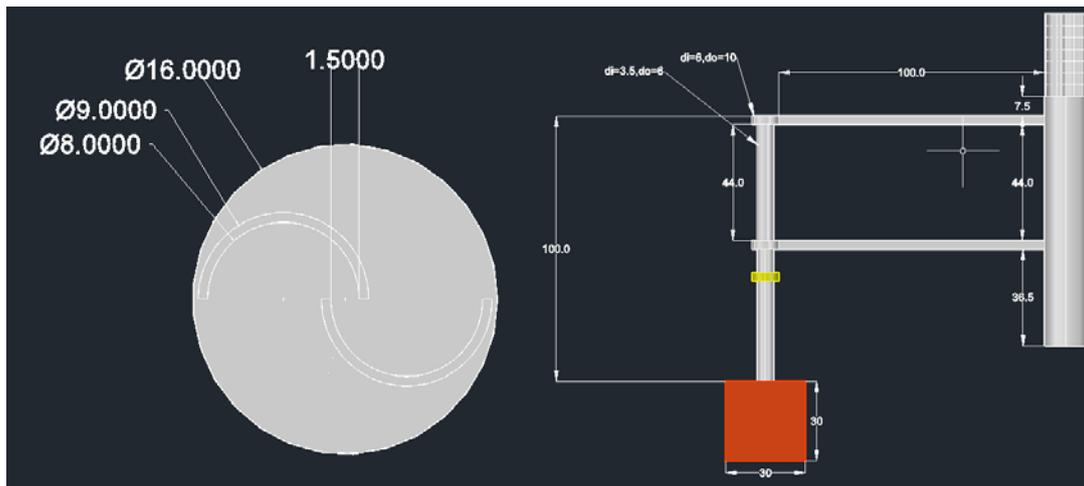


Figure 14. shows Savonius blade size

4. Assemble of Wind Turbine Bald

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Figure 15. final blade shape

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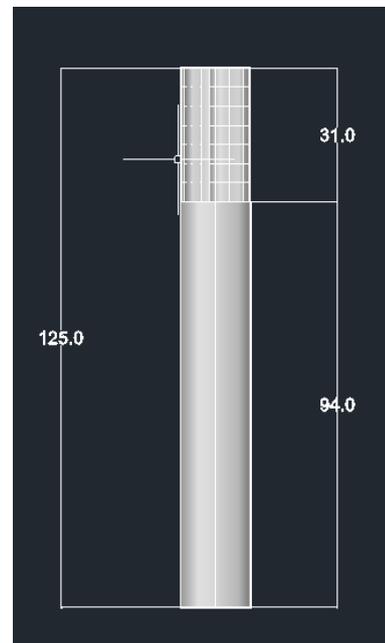


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- Output voltage 12/24 v
- Amp =50
- Can be used with vertical turbines
- No. of phase is one
- No. of poles 4
- Self excited
- Self-unloading

6. Flo-Program Results

Check size (94cm Magnus / 31cm Savonius), In this part the rotor of turbine was tested and simulated by using

Flo-software. The results of program was tested and compared with other results (see Figure 17, Figure 18, Figure 19, Figure 20, Figure 21, Figure 22, Figure 23 and Figure 24) and [Table 1](#) and [Table 2](#).

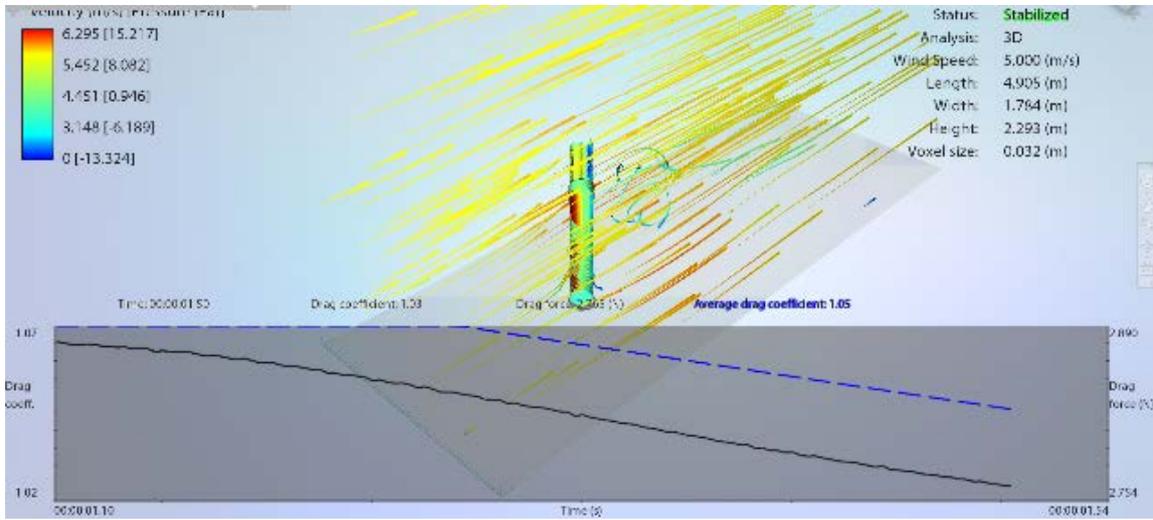


Figure 17. blade test (v=5m/s)

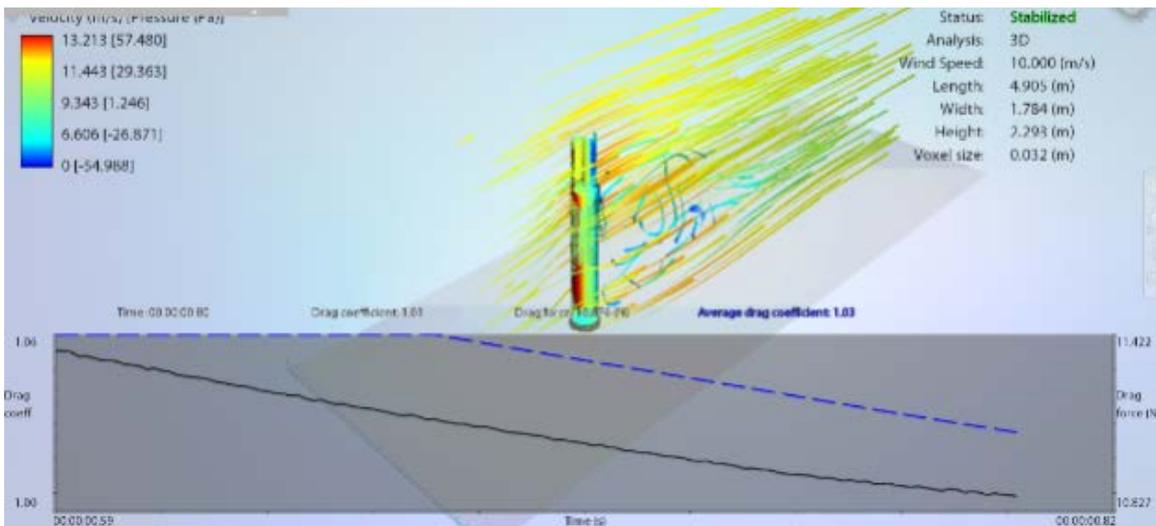


Figure 18. drag coefficient with wind speed 10 m/s

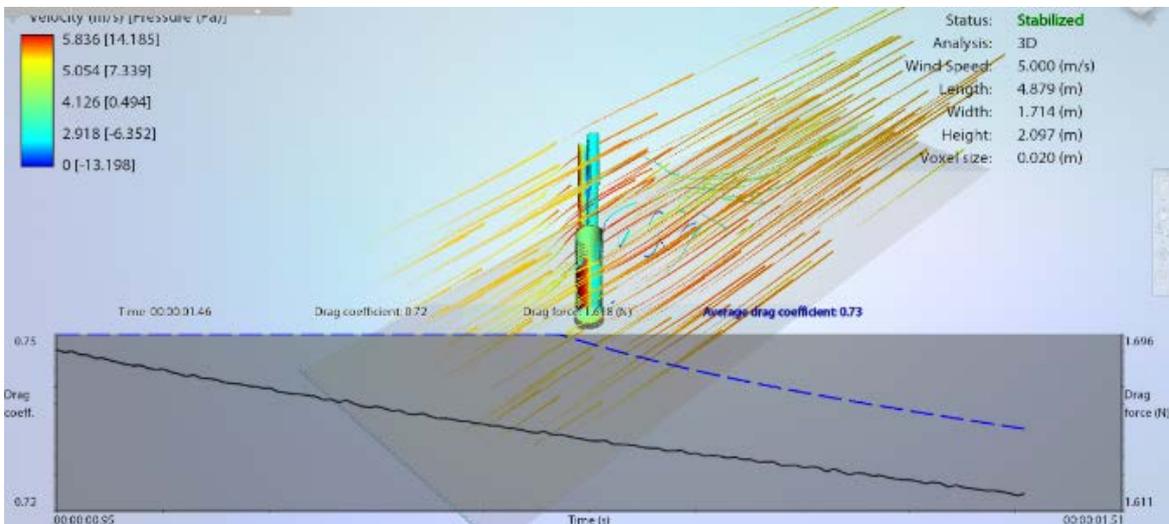


Figure 19. drag coefficient with different size of blades

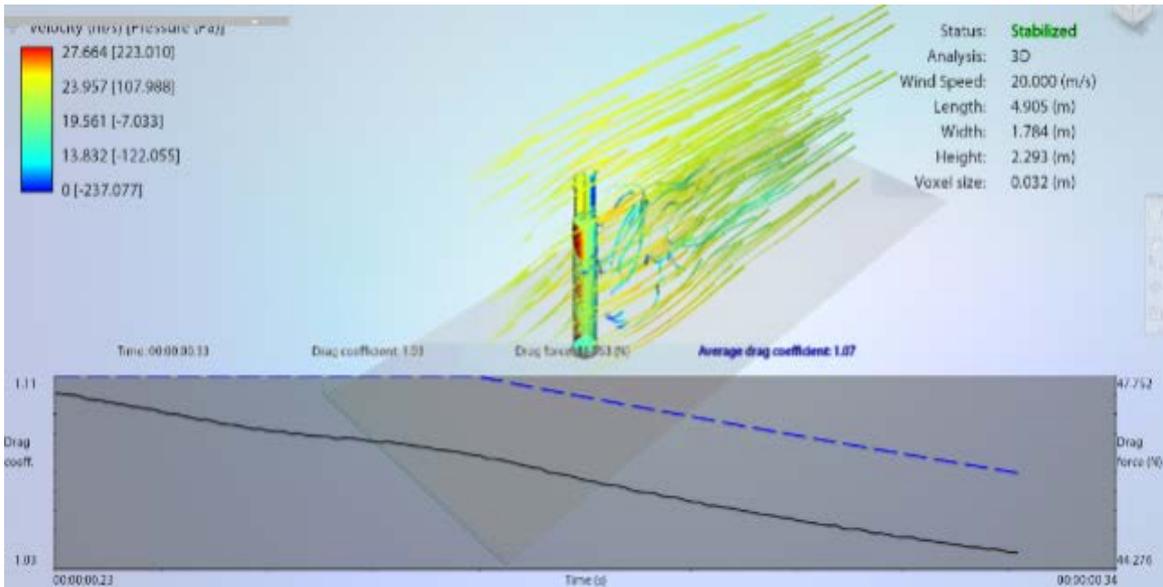


Figure 20. drag coefficient of turbine (20m/s)

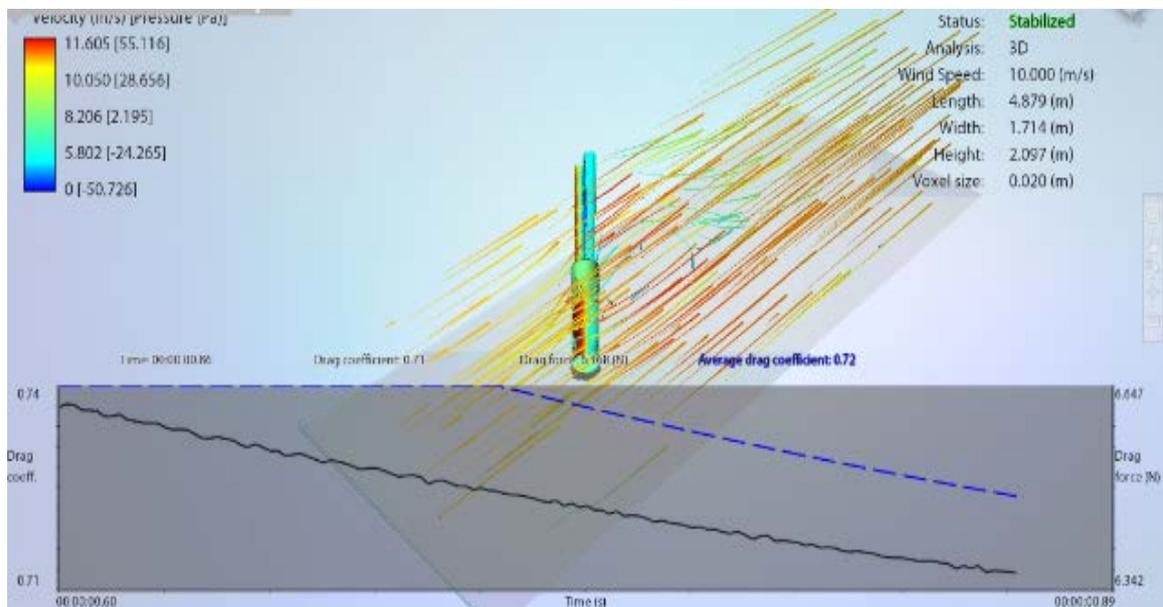


Figure 21. Drag coefficient at wind speed 10m/s

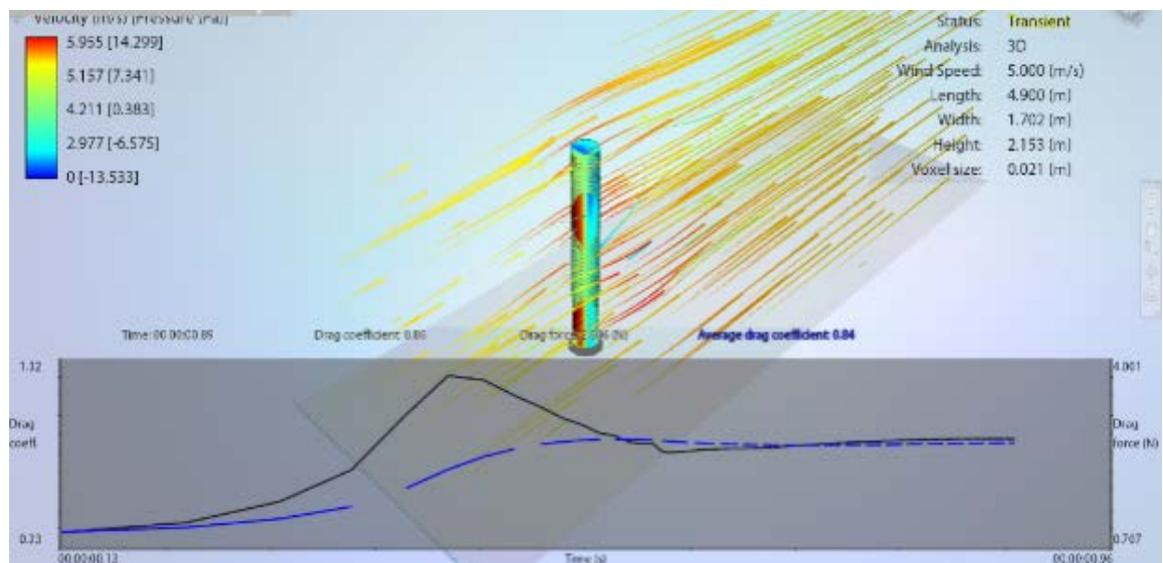


Figure 22. drag coefficient comparison with standard values at 5 m/s wind speed

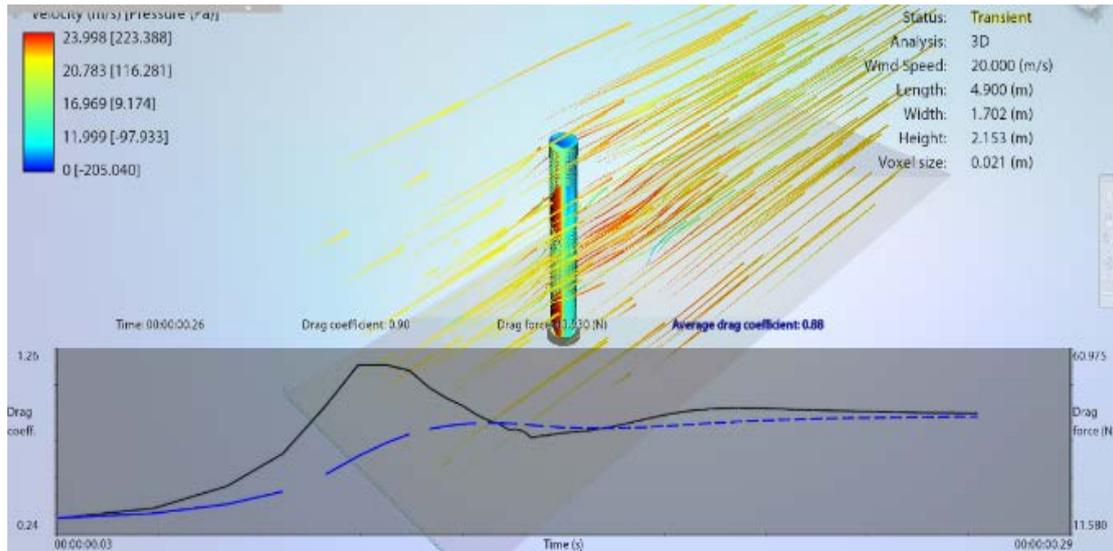


Figure 23. drag coefficient comparison with standard values at 20 m/s wind speed

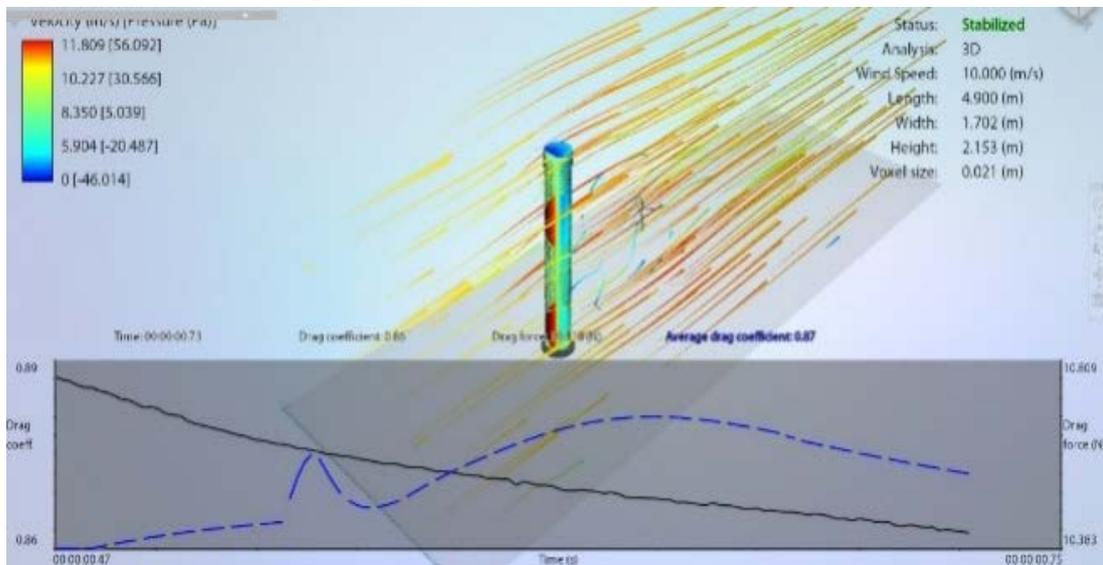


Figure 24. drag coefficient comparison with standard values at 10 m/s wind speed

Table 1. Test results

	5m/s	10m/s	20m/s
Drag Force (N)	2.765	10.876	44.563
Drag Coefficient	1.03	1.01	1.03
Average Drag Coefficient	1.05	1.03	1.07

Table 2. Results of Half Magnus/ Half Savonius (62.5cm Magnus / 62.5cm Savonius)

	5m/s	10m/s	20m/s
Drag Force (N)	1.618	6.368	25.922
Drag Coefficient	0.72	0.71	0.72
Average Drag Coefficient	0.73	0.72	0.74

Table 3. Compared to Magnus blade only (Magnus 120cm)

	5m/s	10m/s	20m/s
Drag Force (N)	2.606	10.418	43.930
Drag Coefficient	0.86	0.86	0.90
Average Drag Coefficient	0.84	0.87	0.88

7. Conclusion

The use of alternative energy in Kuwait is important for three reasons: the growing demand for electricity, the high price of oil and the optimal environment for investing in alternative energy as Kuwait is abundant with bright sun and wind. Kuwait attempted its first Renewable Energy Programme in 1975-1988 by installing a number of solar facilities which were neglected when the programme was abandoned due to the expense of materials and operations. it was concentrated on the wind measured and resources level in Kuwait. The wind variability through period 1980 to 2014 was analyzed. The capacity factor for applying commercial wind turbine in Kuwait was calculated. Also, the facilities of using wind energy in Kuwait was covered. Effect of wind turbines on the avian, noise, grid, land, etc. were analyzed.

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