

Enhancement the Starting Torque for VAWT

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Abstract: Wind energy may be considered as the world's fastest growing energy source by the development of technology. Wind energy is also the most efficient technology to produce energy in a safe and environmentally sustainable manner; it is zero emissions, local, inexhaustible etc. Wind energy was harnessed to run windmills and water pumps many years ago, later on it used to generate electricity through wind turbines which may become the most economical and environmental friendly source of electricity in many countries in the coming 10 to 20 years according to the global statistics. In this paper, theoretical investigations have been carried out to decide the beginning torque of a blended three Straight-Bladed Darrieus-Vane kind wind turbine. The Combined Straight-Bladed Darrieus-Vane kind VAWT has been designed by means of the use of NACA0012 airfoil (made from PLA material) with three movable vanes. This plan also helps get rid of the problem of low self-starting torque of the Darrieus VAWT. The effects will show at which azimuth perspective (θ) for the Speed (6 m/s) the maximum torque would be. It will additionally exhibit the improvement in the effectivity of the Darrieus-type VAWT when the movable vanes are added. This plan will make bigger the positive torque on the direction which rotates towards the wind route the area the vanes are closed and the area that is uncovered to the wind is increased, on the other hand, it decreases the bad torque on some different aspect of the blade that rotates contrary to the wind where the vanes are opened. This design will increase the effective torque on the positions, which rotates towards wind path where the vanes are closed, and the vicinity that is uncovered to the wind is increased, on the different hand, it decreases the poor torque on some other direction of the blade that rotates opposite to the wind where the vanes are opened.

Keywords: Wind energy, Darrieus, combined VAWT, output power, movable vanes, self-starting torque.

Nomenclature	Fl- lift force [N]
Abbreviations	Ct -torque coefficient
TSR) λ (-Tip Speed Ratio	Cp -power coefficient Power
HAWT -Horizontal Axis Wind Turbine	D -turbine diameter
VAWT -Vertical Axis Wind Turbine	d- turbine shaft diameter
WT- Wind Turbine	ρ -air density, kg/m ³
	α - angle of attack, dig
Symbols	ω - rotational speed, rad/s
c- airfoil chord length (m)	θ - azimuthal angle ,dig
r- rotor radius (m)	C-resultant velocity
V- wind speed (m/s)	Ft-tangential force
T-torque [N.m]	Cl, Cd -lift and drag coefficient
A-blade area [m ²]	Re-Reynolds number
p- is wind pressure	Fd- drag force [N]

1. Introduction

Today there is a great need to switch to new alternative energy sources that do not generate high impact on the environment. There are several types of means of obtaining this, among them, wind energy, which is an efficient, clean and generates a low impact on the environment [1]. Wind power is a sustainable and environmentally pleasant source of energy. Compared with typical power sources, wind power has a variety of benefits and advantages, in contrast to fossil fuels that emit hazardous gases and nuclear power that generates radioactive wastes. As an inexhaustible and free electricity source, it is handy and considerable in most areas of the earth. In addition, greater enormous use of wind power would assist decrease the needs for fossil fuels, which might also run out sometime in this century, according to their existing consumption [2].

The world has great achievable for wind electricity that can be utilized for electrical energy generation. Wind power has proved to be a more cost-effective choice power aid and therefore sizable research efforts have been put to enhance the technological expertise of electrical energy generation via wind [3].

A wind turbine is a machine that transfers wind power into mechanical energy with the use of blades and a shaft and converts that form of power into electricity with the use of a generator [4].

There are two kinds of wind turbines; the first one VAWT and the second one is HAWT. [5].

Research pastime in the Darrieus-type VAWT turbine has been developing swiftly in the last few years, wondering about its tremendously low cost, ease of maintenance, and noiselessness. The essential research activity in Darrieus turbine aerodynamics is currently concerned with discovering methods to adorn the electrical energy coefficient, beginning torque, and electricity density [6-8].

Debnath et al. [9] plotted the variation, of the power coefficient (CP), with a tip velocity ratio. It used to be located that when TSR reaches 0.36, the power coefficient will increase to 0.33, later, the power coefficient starts to limit with the prolong in TSR.

Many researchers work on growing VAWT; and from these works the recommendation that was made via Debnath et al. [9], Gavalda et al. [10], and Gupta et al. [11] of combining each designs of Darrieus rotor and Savonius rotor in one VAWT. It used to be found that the energy coefficient can be as excessive as 0.35 for unique overlap percentages. Moreover, an excessive torque coefficient used to be got which confirmed the capability to self-start at low wind velocity.

Simple mathematical descriptions of the wind turbine plan and its work can additionally provide preliminary information in this area and furnish the capability to decide all the blessings of the proposed mannequin [12].

In this work, Darrieus (as lift device) and vane kind (as drag device) are use in combined WT to increase the drag force and drag coefficient. This permits the new wind turbine to seize high wind energy, for this reason producing greater torque. In addition, the use of the NACA0012 airfoil for the Darrieus VAWT will produce higher lift force and excessive angular velocity.

2. The Design of Combined Three Blades Darrieus-Vane Type Vawt

A mixed turbine used to be designed the usage of Darrieus VAWT (airfoil NACA0012) that has been made from (PLA) material, as properly as a vane-type VAWT (consist of three vanes), the closed region of vanes in the positive route of the wind, and the vanes of the turbine at the contrary aspects of the wind path are open and permitting air to omit freely thru the blade. The movable vanes and other constructions have been produced from metallic whilst an upper, lower board used to be produced from (PLA).

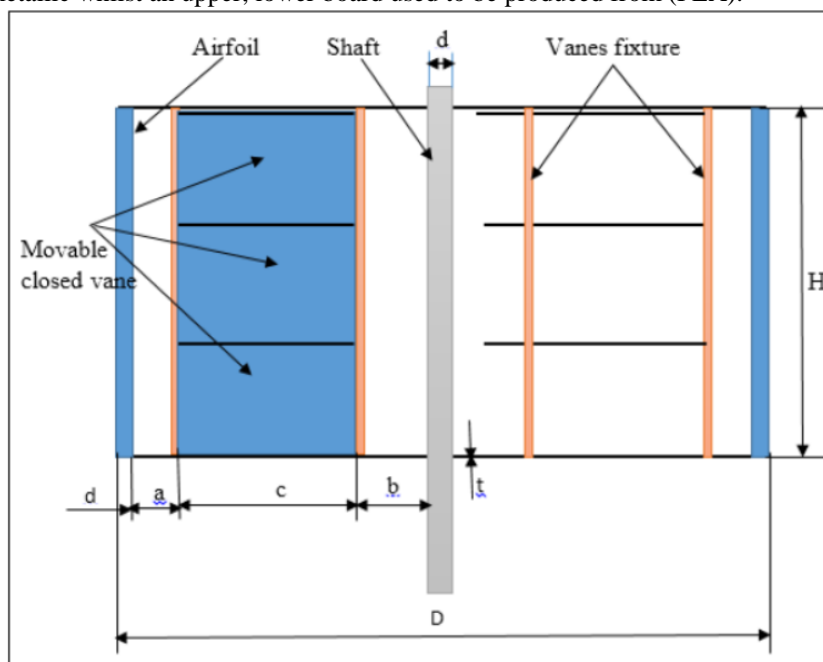


Figure 1 Combined three blades straight-bladed Darrieus-vane type VAWT

2.1. Straight-Bladed DarrieusVawt

For turbines with straight vertical blades, the rotation axis is perpendicular to the wind direction. The most severe energy coefficient estimation was once received the use of a global approach fortified via Betz's model, in which a container of the modern of turbine rotor dimension is considered. A blades Darrieus kind straight blade vertical axis turbine with an NACA 0012 cross-area reducing blade was once considered. In "Fig.

2" indicates the aerodynamic forces appearing on a blade component of a Darrieus rotor. The aerodynamic forces appearing on a blade component of a Darrieus straight-bladed rotor proven in "Fig.2".

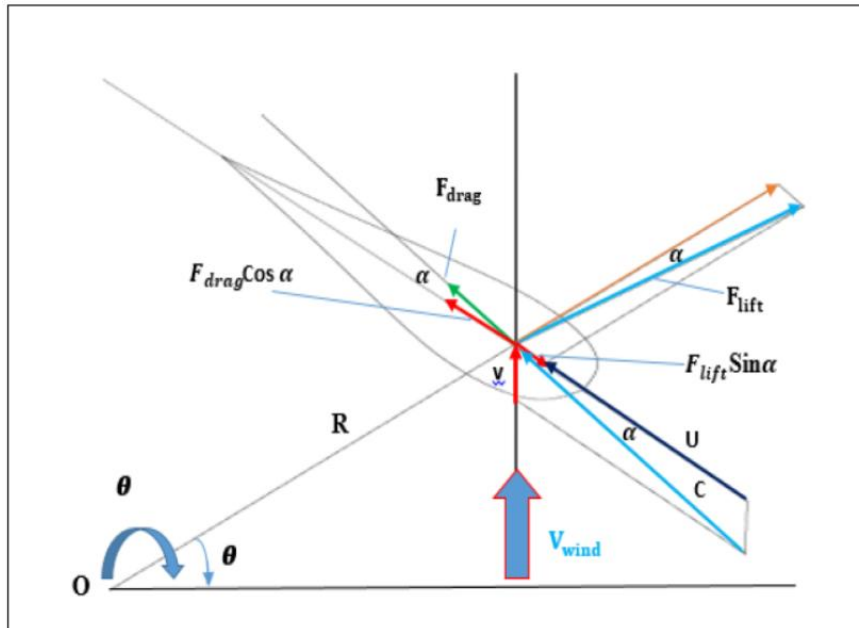


Figure 2 Aerodynamic forces acting on a blade element of a Darrieus rotor [11].

From "Fig.2", the resultant speed c can be calculated as follows [13]:

$$c = v [(\lambda + \cos \theta)^2 + (\sin \theta)^2]^{0.5} \quad (1)$$

The tangential components of the vectors lift force F_l and drag force F_d is:

$$F_t = F_l \sin \alpha - F_d \cos \alpha = [c_l \sin \alpha - c_d \cos \alpha] 0.5 \rho A c^2 \quad [N] \quad (2)$$

The angle of attack α can be calculated as follows:

$$\alpha = \arctan [\sin \theta / (\lambda + \cos \theta)] \quad (3)$$

Theoretical torque for one blade Darrieus wind turbine in the zone at angles $\theta=0^\circ$ to $\theta=180^\circ$

$$F_d = 0.5 \rho A V^2 \quad (4)$$

Darrieus torque for these zones above can calculated by using the following equation:

$$T_D = F_d X \quad (5)$$

Theoretical torque for one blade Darrieus wind turbine in the zone of at angles $\theta=180^\circ$ to $\theta=360^\circ$

$$F_t = 0.5 \rho A V^2 [(\lambda + \cos \theta)^2 + (\sin \theta)^2]^{0.5} [C_l \sin \alpha - C_d \cos \alpha] \quad (6)$$

The forces and velocities appearing on a blade component of Darrieus wind turbine with extraordinary azimuth angles (θ) indicates in "Fig. 3"

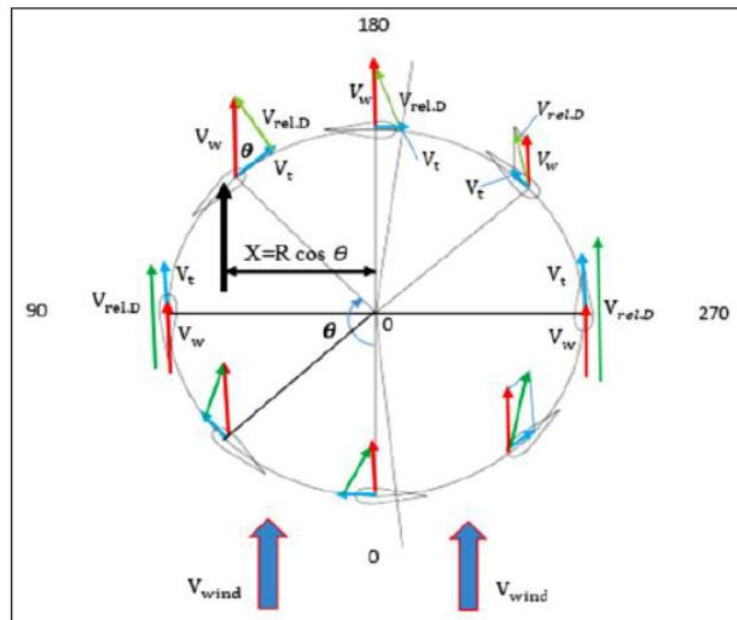


Figure 3 Forces and velocities appearing on a blade component of Darrieus WT with extraordinary azimuth angles (θ)

2.2. Vane type VAWT

The proposed vane kind vertical axis wind turbine utilizes the drag force in its operation. Therefore, the blades has been designed relying on the perfect calculated values of the drag factor. The nation of the vane-type wind turbine underneath check has been constructed from steel with dimension, width $c = 5.6\text{cm}$, Height $H = 11\text{cm}$, thickness $t = 0.5\text{mm}$. The check investigations exhibit that the drag force and drag coefficient fluctuate with wind speed. The top view of the vane kind VAWT shows in "Fig. 4".

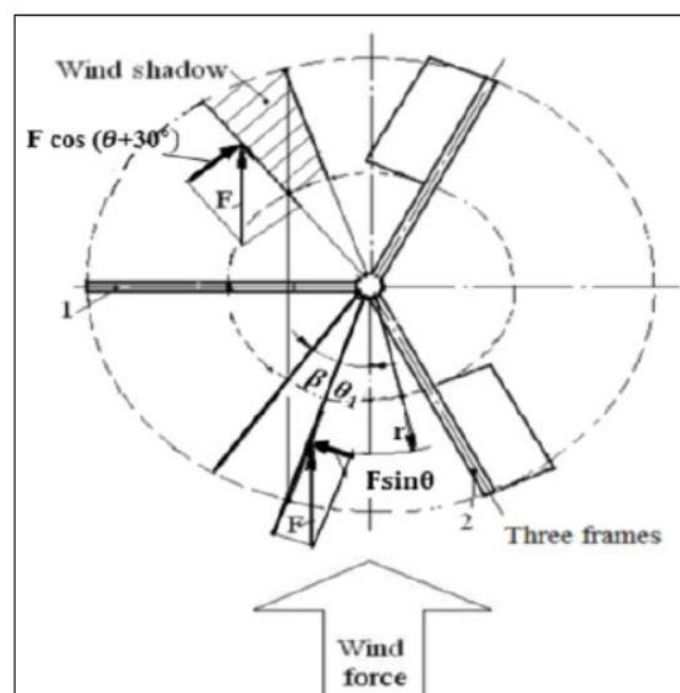


Figure 4 Vane kind VAWT

2.2.1. Mathematical analysis for vane type VAWT

From "Fig. 4" the angle β presented are calculated from equation [14]:

$$c+b=\sin\theta\cos(30^\circ+\theta) \quad (7)$$

θ is the starting shadow of wind.

$$\theta = \arctan b / (c + b) + \sin 30^\circ \quad (8)$$

$\theta = \theta_1 + 120^\circ$, is angle at a first blade of starting shadow of wind

$\beta = 90^\circ - 30^\circ - 2\theta$ is shadow angle

The drag force appears at position $r = b + c / 2$

r is variable as:

$$r = (b + \Delta d) + (c - \Delta d)/2$$

Δd Depend on $\Delta\theta$ as:

$$\Delta d = k\Delta\theta, \text{ here } k = b/(\beta/2).$$

Torque for variable positions is defined as following:

1. Shadow of wind the torque at the attitude θ from 90° to θ_1 is:

$$T1 = C_d[h(c(b + c/2)]\sin\theta \Big|_{\theta_1 90} \quad (9)$$

2. Torque at the attitude θ from 90° to θ_1 α_1 to $\alpha_1 + \beta/2$, shadow of wind 2-blade:

$$T2 = C_{d1}ph [(c-k\Delta\theta) (b+k\Delta\theta) + (c-k\Delta\alpha)/2] \sin\theta + C_{d2}p [(hk\Delta\theta) (b+k\Delta\alpha/2)]\sin\theta \Big|_{\beta/2 \theta_1} \quad (10)$$

3. Torque at the attitude from $\theta_1 + \beta/2$ to θ_1

$$T3 = C_{d2}ph(c-\Delta d)(b+\Delta d)+(c-\Delta d)/2]\sin\theta + C_{d1}P[(h\Delta d)(b+\Delta d/2)]\sin\theta \Big|_{\beta \beta/2} \quad (11)$$

4. Torque at the attitude $\alpha_1 + \beta/2$ is:

$$T4 = \sin (\theta_1 + \beta/2)_2[h(b+c/2)] \quad (12)$$

5. The attitude $(\theta+30)$ of rotation from 0° to 120° without wind shadow torque is:

$$T5 = [h(b+c/2)]\sin(\theta+30)C_{d1} \Big|_{1200} \quad (13)$$

6. Blade torque in the contrary route of the wind (open vanes) through [15]:

$$T = (b + c/2) F$$

$$T = [\Sigma 0.5 C_d \rho A_{rod} V_2 + 6 (C_{f.vane} 0.5 \rho A_{vane} V_2) 2 (C_{f.board} 0.5 \rho A_{board} V_2)] \sin\theta \Big|_{180 360} \quad (14)$$

Where,

$$C_f \text{ is skin friction and is given as } C_f = 0.464/Re^{0.5} \text{ } Re = \frac{\rho V D}{\mu}$$

Where: $\mu = 1.88 \times 10^{-5}$, [Pa.s]

$$A_{rod} = L_{rod} \times d_{rod}, A_{plate} = L_{plate} \times t_{plate}$$

3. Results and Disscation

3.1. Torque for Darrieus VAWT

The numerical estimation torque for Darrieus WT at all viewed turning angles indicates in “Fig.5, the most numerical torque for this mannequin is 0.00163 N.m, at position (60°, 180°, 300°),

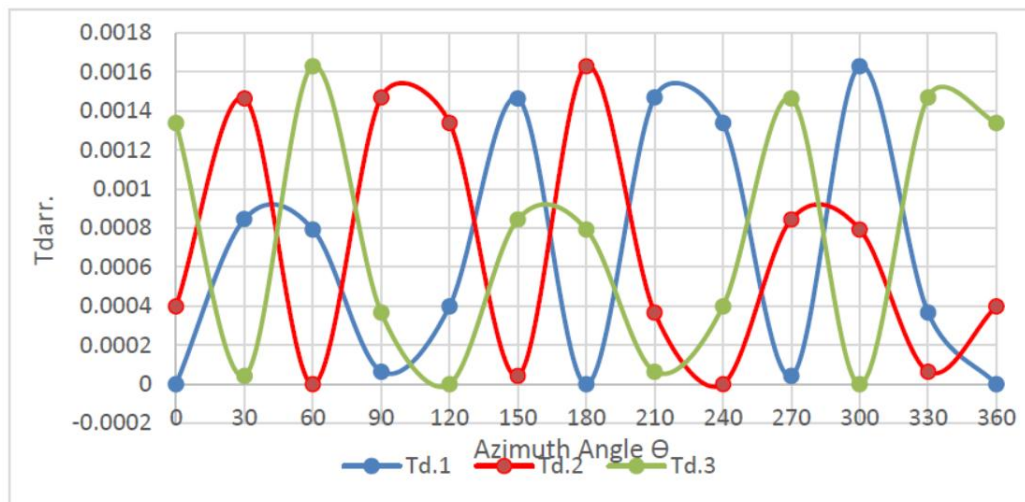


Figure 5 Torque for Darrieus VAWT versus (θ)

“Fig. 6” demonstrates the total and common torque for Darrieus WT, the most numerical torque for this mannequin is 0.002424 N.m at (60°, 180°, 300°), and the low torque is 0.001739 N.m at (0°, 120°, 240°, 360°), and the common torque is 0.002077 N.m.

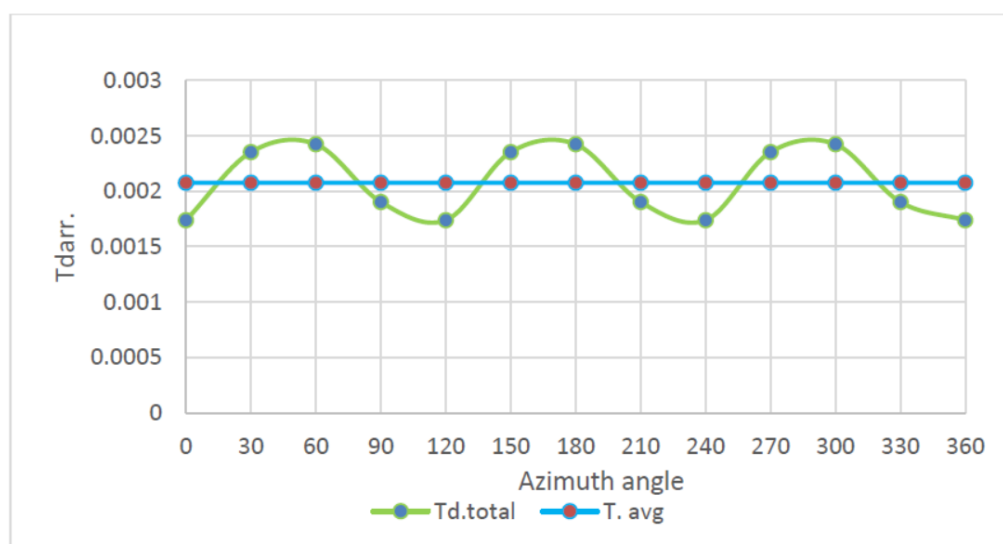


Figure 6 Total and common torque for Darrieus WT with versus (θ).

3.2. Torque for each blade vane type VAWT

All the torque made by all frames vanes of three blades WT is ascertained by (summation of equation from 9 to 14) as shown in “Fig. 7”.

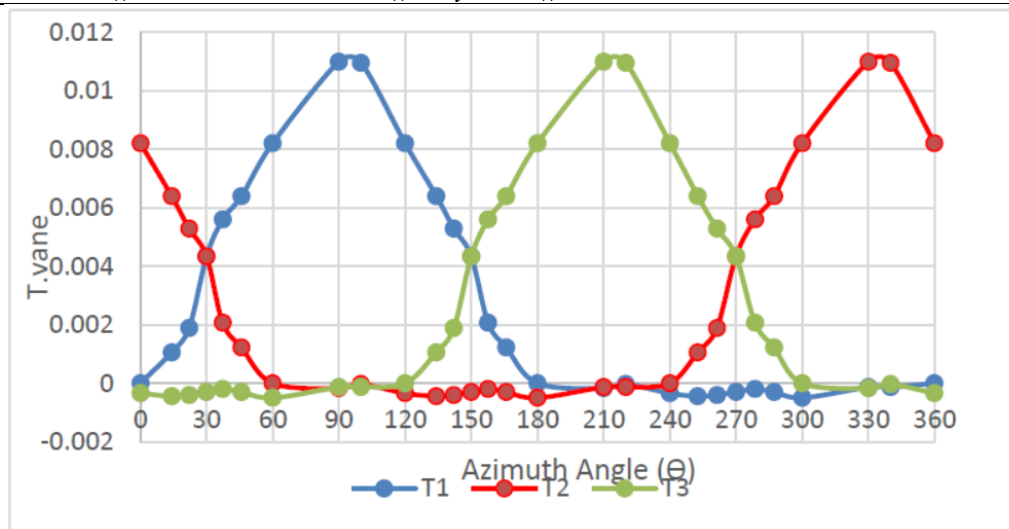


Figure 7 Torque for vane WT versus (θ)

At rotating angles ($90^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$), and at wind velocity 6 m/s the maximum torque for vane WT is 0.011 N.m, the low torque is 0.0083 N.m, at positions ($30^\circ, 150^\circ, 270^\circ$), as shown in “Fig. 7”.

3.3. Total torque for combined VAWT

The most total torque for vane and combined WT is 0.01707 N.m, 0.01261 N.m, respectively at ($90^\circ, 210^\circ, 330^\circ$), and the low total torque is 0.0096 N.m, at ($0^\circ, 120^\circ, 240^\circ, 360^\circ$), as proven in “Fig. 8”.

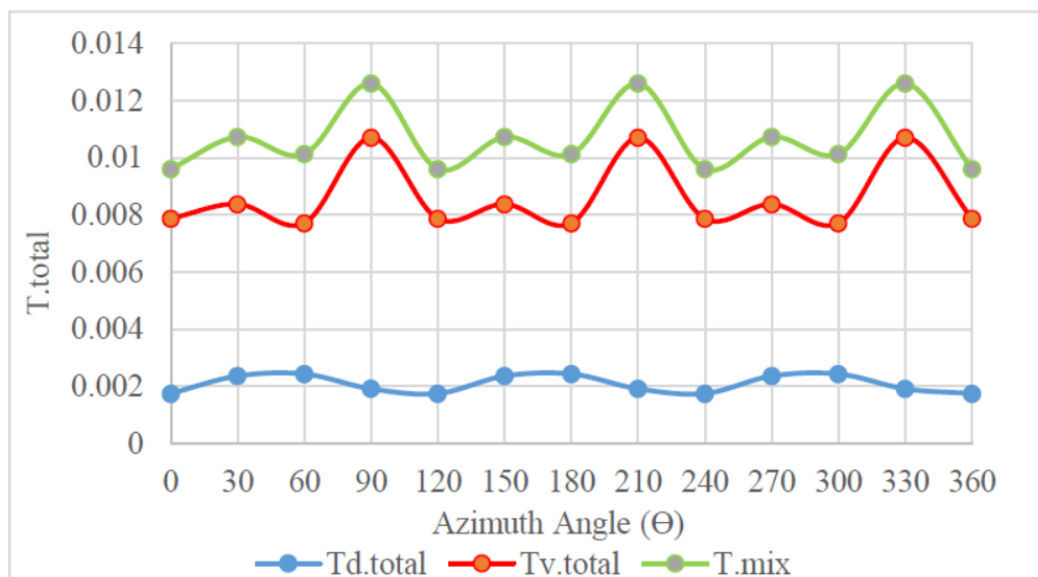


Figure 8 Total torque for combined VAWT versus azimuth angles (θ).

Whilst the common torque for combined VAWT versus azimuth angles (θ) is 0.001068 N.m. as shown in “Fig. 9”.

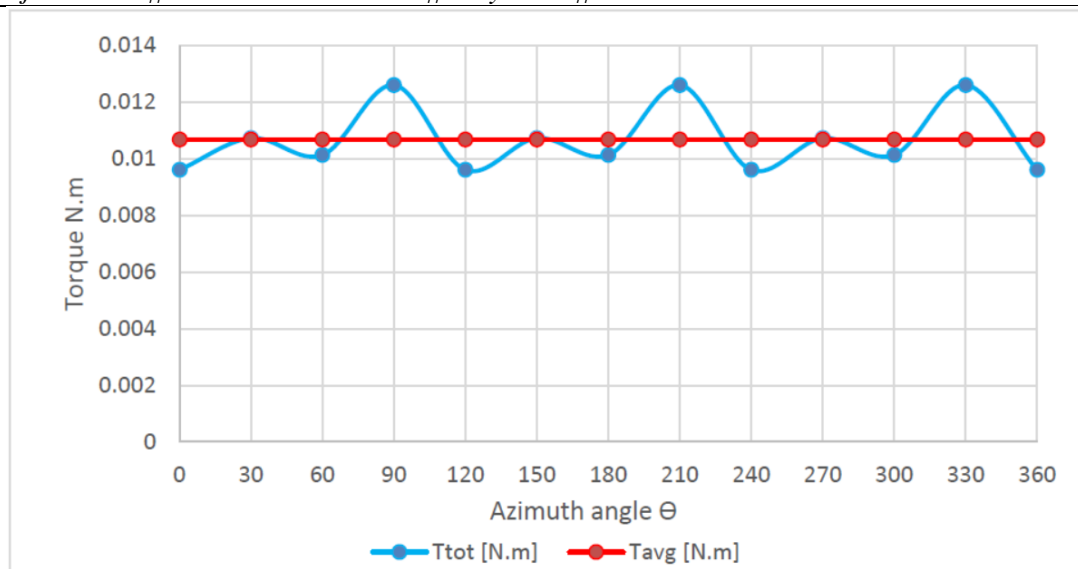


Figure 9 Total and common torque for combined VAWT versus azimuth angles (θ).

4. Conclusion

In this paper, a numerical analysis was carried out to amplify the beginning torque and efficiency for 3-blades Darrieus WT. The following conclusions have been concluded from the study:

- The design of the mixed Darrieus (as lift device) and Vane kind (as drag device) extend the drag force and drag coefficient. This enables the wind turbine to seize high wind energy, consequently producing greater torque. In addition, the use of the NACA0012 airfoil for the Darrieus VAWT will produce higher lift force and excessive angular velocity.
- This design helps get rid of the hassle of low self-starting torque for the Darrieus VAWT through producing greater beginning torque, this leads to minimizing the drawback of Darrieus-type when beginning at a low wind velocity condition.
- The outcomes show that for the velocity (6m/s) the maximum torque for combined VAWT at azimuth perspective $\theta = 90^\circ$ is 0.0125N.m, whilst the most torque for Darrieus VAWT at the identical wind velocity is 0.002424 N.m, it means increasing beginning torque for Darrieus WT.
- The mixed design of VAWT achieved an 81% extend in the magnitude of beginning torque for the 3-bladed Darrieus VAWT.

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