

MODULE II : MANEUVERABILITY

Topic: Experimental Determination of Hydrodynamic Derivatives

Question 1

In a straight line test to determine the hydrodynamic derivatives conducted on a 2m long ship model at a tow speed of 1 m/s, the measurements are as follows:

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|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Drift angle | 2 | 4 | 6 | -2 | -4 | -6 |
| Y(Newton) | 20 | 36 | 43 | -21 | -35 | -42 |
| N(Newton-m) | -15 | -33 | -52 | 14 | 32 | 525 |

Find Y'_v and N'_v .

Answer:

We have $\beta = -v' = -v / V$

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{\partial Y}{\partial \beta} = -V \frac{\partial Y}{\partial v}; \quad \frac{\partial N}{\partial \beta} = -V \frac{\partial N}{\partial v}$$

or,

$$Y_v = -Y_\beta / V; \quad N_v = -N_\beta / V$$

$$\text{Thus, } Y'_v = \frac{Y_v}{0.5\rho VL^2} = -\frac{Y_\beta}{0.5\rho V^2 L^2}; \quad N'_v = \frac{N_v}{0.5\rho VL^3} = -\frac{N_\beta}{0.5\rho V^2 L^3}$$

From the experimental results we get (see figure below):

$$\frac{\partial Y}{\partial \beta} \approx 10 \text{ N / deg} = 10 \times \pi / 180 \text{ N / rad} = 0.1745 \text{ N / rad}$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial \beta} \approx -7.5 \text{ Nm / deg} = -7.5 \times \pi / 180 \text{ Nm / rad} = -0.131 \text{ Nm / rad}$$

Thus,

$$Y'_v = -\frac{Y_\beta}{0.5\rho V^2 L^2} = -\frac{0.1745}{(0.5)(1000)(1^2)(2^2)} = -8.275 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$N'_v = -\frac{N_\beta}{0.5\rho V^2 L^3} = \frac{0.131}{(0.5)1000(1^2)(2^3)} = 3.275 \times 10^{-5}$$

