

Lighter Than Air Systems
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Lecture - 45
Effect of change in Relative Humidity

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Effect of change in RH

- Recall that $L_g = \frac{(P_s - (1 - RD_{wv})e)}{T_A} KV$
- $W_{ba} = \frac{(P_s + \Delta P_{sp} - (1 - RD_{wv})e)}{T_A + \Delta T_{sh}} (1 - I) K V$
- $\Delta L_g = (L_{g2} - L_{g1}) = \left[\frac{(P_s - (1 - RD_{wv})e_2)}{T_A} - \frac{(P_s - (1 - RD_{wv})e_1)}{T_A} \right] KV$
- $= \left[\frac{(1 - RD_{wv})(e_1 - e_2)}{T_A} \right] KV$
- $\Delta W_{ba} = (W_{ba2} - W_{ba1}) = \frac{(1 - RD_{wv})(e_1 - e_2)}{T_A + \Delta T_{sh}} (1 - I) K V$
- $\Delta L_n = (L_{g2} - L_{g1}) - (W_{ba2} - W_{ba1})$, hence, neglecting SH
- $\Delta L_n = \left[\frac{(1 - RD_{wv})(e_1 - e_2)}{T_A} \right] KV$

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Now we come to the humidity. So let us recall that the gross lift can be expressed as

$$L_g = \frac{(P_s - (1 - RD_{wv})e)}{T_A} KV$$

Now the weight of the ballonnet air will also have one component in the so the pressure will be first added by the super pressure and from that you will subtract the contribution because of the relative humidity.

But the ballonnet air occupies only (1-I) into V so therefore you put (1-I) into V here. So, if you take the difference of the gross lift after and before that is L_{g2} minus L_{g1} , you get the expression as shown. In this expression you can see that the P_s terms can actually cancel out so what will be remaining is just

$$\Delta L_g = \frac{(1 - RD_{wv})(e_1 - e_2)}{T_A} KV$$

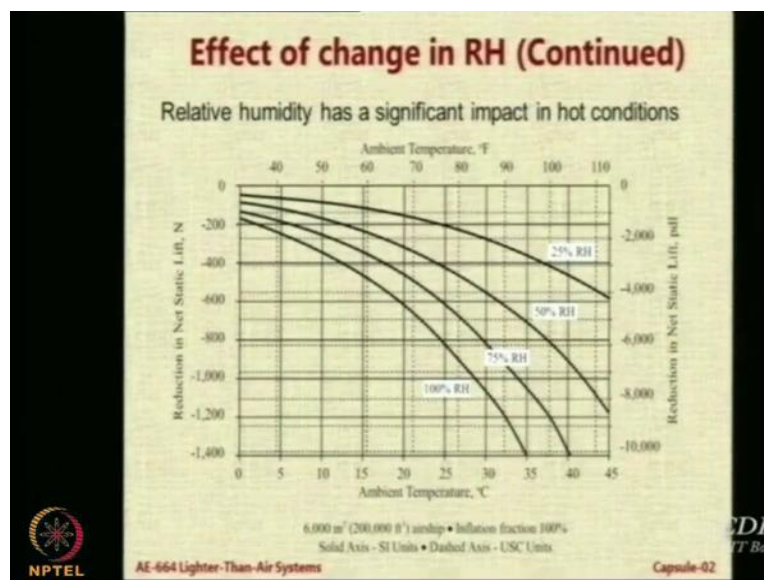
The ambient temperature remains the same we assume that there is no change in any other parameter and volume also remains the same externally. So, the change in the ballonnet air also will be correspondingly obtained as

$$\Delta W_{ba} = \frac{(1 - RD_{wv})(e_1 - e_2)}{T_A + \Delta T_{SH}} (1 - I)KV$$

So therefore, the net lift change will be the difference between the gross lift change and the weight of the ballonnet air.

And suppose we neglect super heat just to make an expression simpler if you do not then you will have a much bigger expression because then you cannot do anything common but if superheat is neglected then T_A can be taken common and you will get it as $e_1 - e_2$.

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So, if you look at this expression what we see is that the effect of humidity change e_1 to e_2 is going to create a change in the net lift. Now let us see the variation so this graph shows the reduction in net static lift for various values of relative humidity versus the ambient air temperature. So, we notice for example that if the ambient air temperature is 35 degrees, then this line is the one which is followed for reduction of the net static lift.

So as the ambient air temperature increases if you go along the x axis you will find that the reduction in the net static lift is also increasing but the lines are different for different values of relative humidity more effect is felt when you have hot conditions that means at high temperatures

you can notice that the reduction the net lift is more when the temperatures are high. If you have only from 0 to 5 degrees there is hardly any change.