Steam turbine



What is the turbine? What is the principle of steam turbine?

Types of steam turbines.

Principle of steam turbine:

- The steam energy is converted mechanical work by expansion through the turbine.
- Expansion takes place through a series of fixed blades(nozzles) and moving blades.
- In each row fixed blade and moving blade are called stage.



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What exactly is the turbine?

Turbine is an engine that converts energy of fluid into mechanical energy

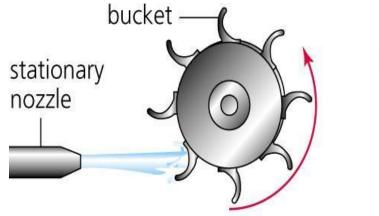
The steam turbine is steam driven rotary engine.

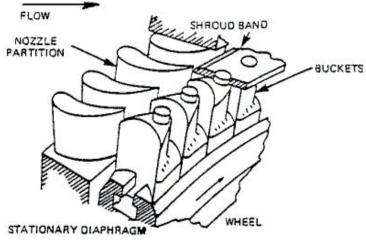


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Types of steam turbine:

- There are two main types
- I. Impulse steam turbine
- 2. Reaction steam turbine





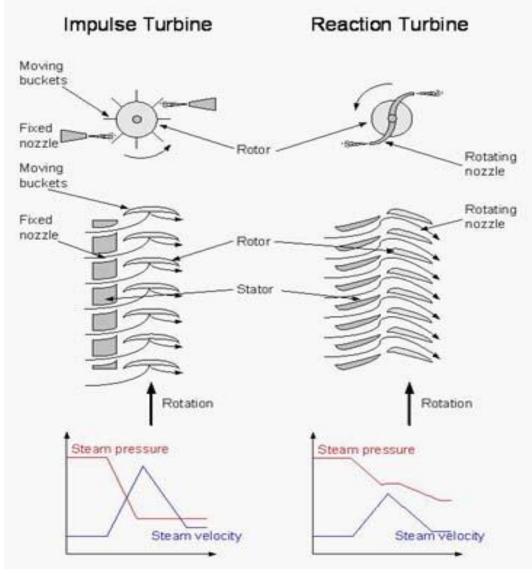
Impulse steam turbine:

- The basic idea of an impulse turbine is that a jet of steam from a fixed nozzle pushes against the rotor blades and impels them forward.
- The velocity of steam is twice as fast as the velocity of blade.
- Pressure drops take place in the fixed blade (nozzle).

Reaction steam turbine:

- A reaction turbine utilizes a jet of steam that flows from a nozzle on the rotor.
- Actually, the steam is directed into the moving blades by fixed blades designed to expand the steam.
- The result is a small increase in velocity over that of the moving blades.

Comparative diagram:



Tandem-compound





Cross-compound



