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Topics covered in this session

Metros, Rail and Road Tunnels

- Why ventilate
- What determines the ventilation rate Metro & Rail
- Pressure pulse, blade stress
- Mitigation
- Equipment and plantroom layout
- Road Tunnel ventilation methods
- What determines the ventilation rate Roads
- Product range
- Routine tests and FAT's





METRO & RAIL VENTILATION







ROAD VENTILATION



The Objective

- SAFEGUARD <u>PEOPLE</u> IN TUNNELS
- VENTILATE TUNNELS & PLANT ROOMS

Solutions must adhere to strict regulations and conform to energy efficiency requirements



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Ventilation rate can depend on:

- Design specialised and can be complex
- Movement of trains can self ventilate
 - General problem with air movement from train often fans required to operate above normal design pressure
- All heat inputs removed, e.g. power, people
- Remove heat from brakes and air conditioning (from train and station)
- Trains and/or stations can be air conditioned
- Supply and extract from tunnels



Ventilation rate can depend on:

Longitudinal system - Jet or Large Fans, fans 100% Reversible

- Complicated by length of train, cannot isolate fire
- High velocities could be required as fire size large, high velocities cause mixing
- Need to keep smoke clear from the escape route
- Design fire size
- Diesel smoke or smoke/fire control or to ensure flow past engine
- Fans rated for 250°C to 400°C for 2 hours



- Variations in system resistance caused by pressure changes associated with the movement of trains through the tunnel system
- A typical value for Pressure Pulse is 300Pa, but when platforms have screen doors and/or tight clearances this Pressure Pulse can reach up to +/- 700Pa
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Rail & Metro Products – Main Ventilation

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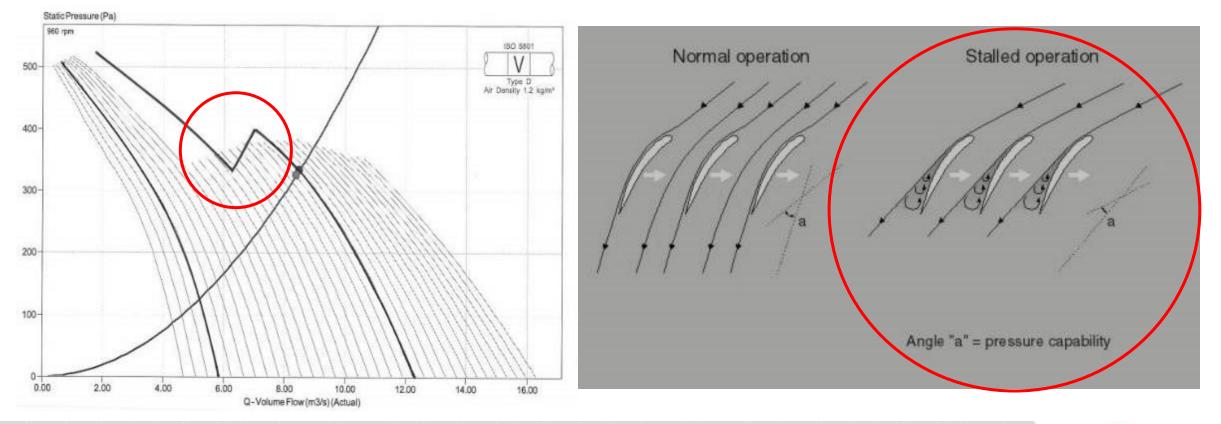
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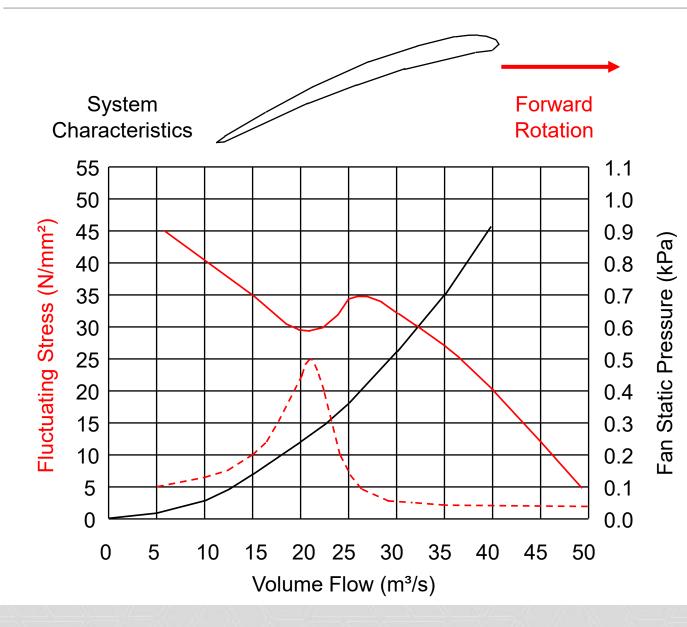
Integrated Solutions for operating fans under these challenging conditions



- 1. High pressure pulses may cause the fan to exceed the optimum operating point and enter stall
- 2. In this area, high turbulences bring low efficiency, high noise level and increased fluctuating stresses that will eventually lead to impeller blade failure

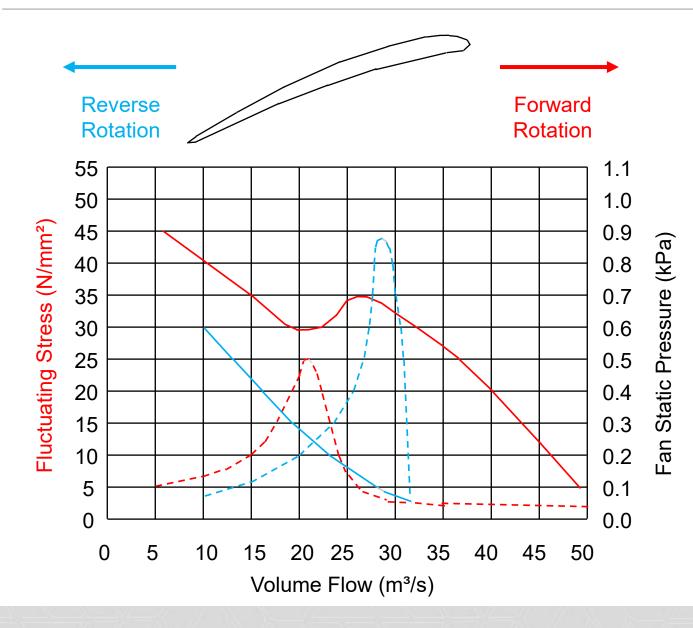






- Axial fans should never be run in stall conditions for prolonged duration – or repetitively – even in forward only operation
- In this area, fluctuating stresses will exceed material properties that will eventually lead to impeller blade failure

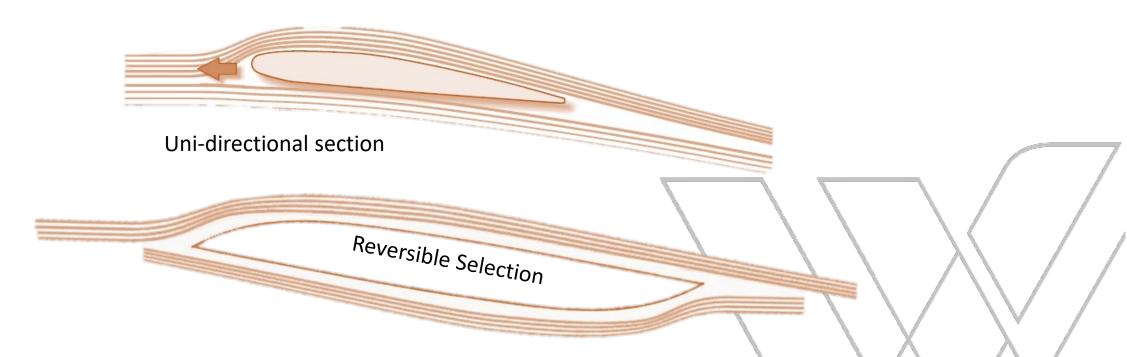




- Unidirectional axial fans, when operated in reverse will immediately stall and in certain cases fluctuating stresses will exceed material properties that will eventually lead to impeller blade failure.
- For reversing applications use an alternative aerodynamic section to overcome this problem.
- 3. Aerodynamic sections that are mechanically safe are aerodynamically less efficient.

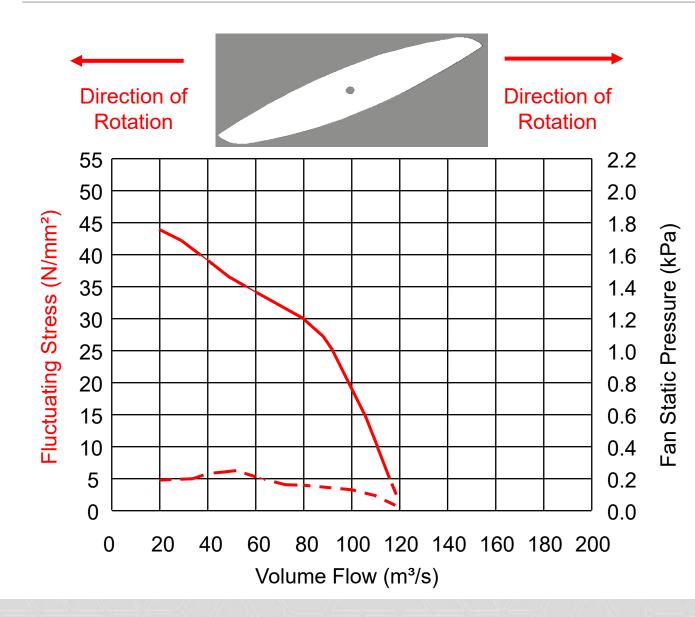


Unidirectional versus Truly Reversible impeller blades



100% reversible fans are designed for maximum performance and efficiency and so have truly symmetrical reversible blade sections. They give the same performance in both the forwards and reverse direction. However, a truly symmetrical section is **less efficient overall c/w a unidirectional section – and this is further reduced when required to operate in an emergency condition/temperature**.





- Truly reversible aerodynamic sections overcome the mechanical disadvantages of unidirectional sections running in reverse.
- 2. The compromise in aerodynamic efficiency is presently accepted (but difficult to achieve combined overall efficiency targets in some instances (air-to-gas)).
- Especially with cumulative need for HT (emergency ventilation) at 250 / 300 and 400°C



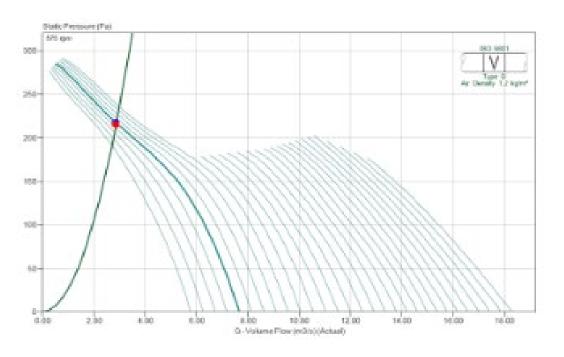
Impact of Reversible fans on power/efficiency

Fan Duty	50 m³/sec @ 1800 Pa (total)		
Fan Description	Temperature category	Power	Fan Total Efficiency
Unidirectional	Ambient	100%	79%
Reversible		110%	73%

- General rule of thumb is that you should expect a reduction of around 5% in efficiency between a optimised unidirectional section and corresponding reversible option.
- This may be improved using IMI configurations that have interstitial guide-vanes that can increase efficiency in both directions.
- The most efficient systems will be a duplicate of unidirectional installations. This will become more common as efficiency targets increase for "normal" operation.



Standard Fan with Pressure Pulse and low Tip Pitch



- Choose a fan with a non-stalling pitch angle
- Normally lower than 16 degree tip pitch angle
- Lower operating efficiency



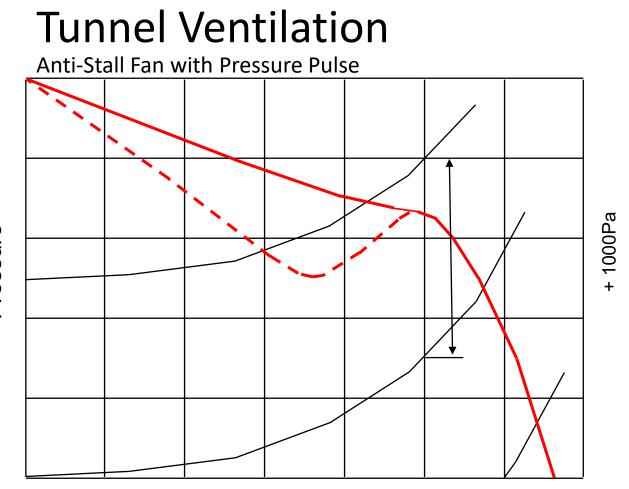
Standard Fan with Pressure Pulse + 500Pa Pressure - 500Pa

- Ideal situation where the main operating point and both positive and negative points fall within the stable performance curve.
- Will be the most efficient solution although normally a smaller, lower cost option can be offered for the main operating point.....
-rarely are we so lucky.....

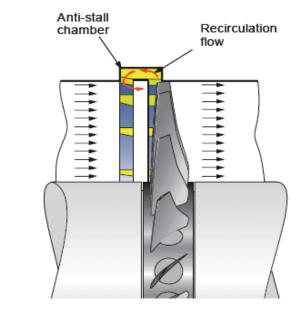


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- An Anti-Stall device will divert turbulent air streams and return them to the direction of the main air flow.
- An Anti-Stall Fan will ensure stable operation under all operating conditions
- Less effective for reversible options reduces fan efficiency too much



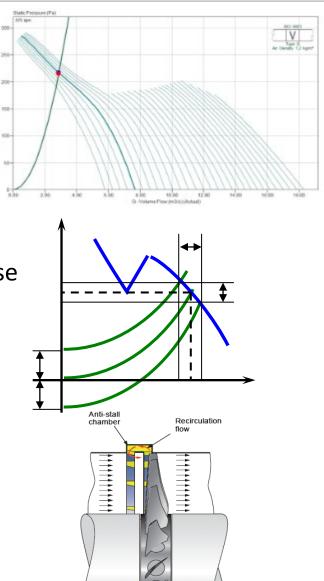
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Options for managing Pressure Pulse impact:

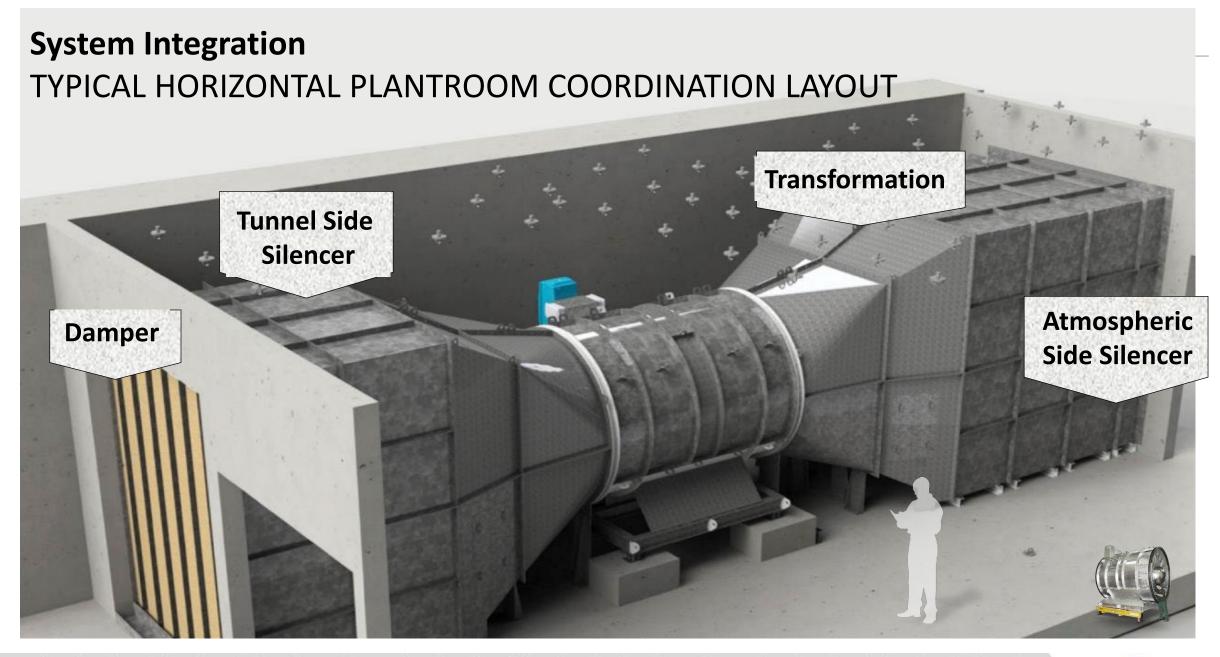
- 1. Choose a fan with a non-stalling pitch angle
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- 2. Choose a fan with enough reserve pressure to accommodate pulse
 - May be low efficiency normal operating point

- 3. Use a fan fitted with an anti-stall device
 - Lowers efficiency particularly for truly reversible fans









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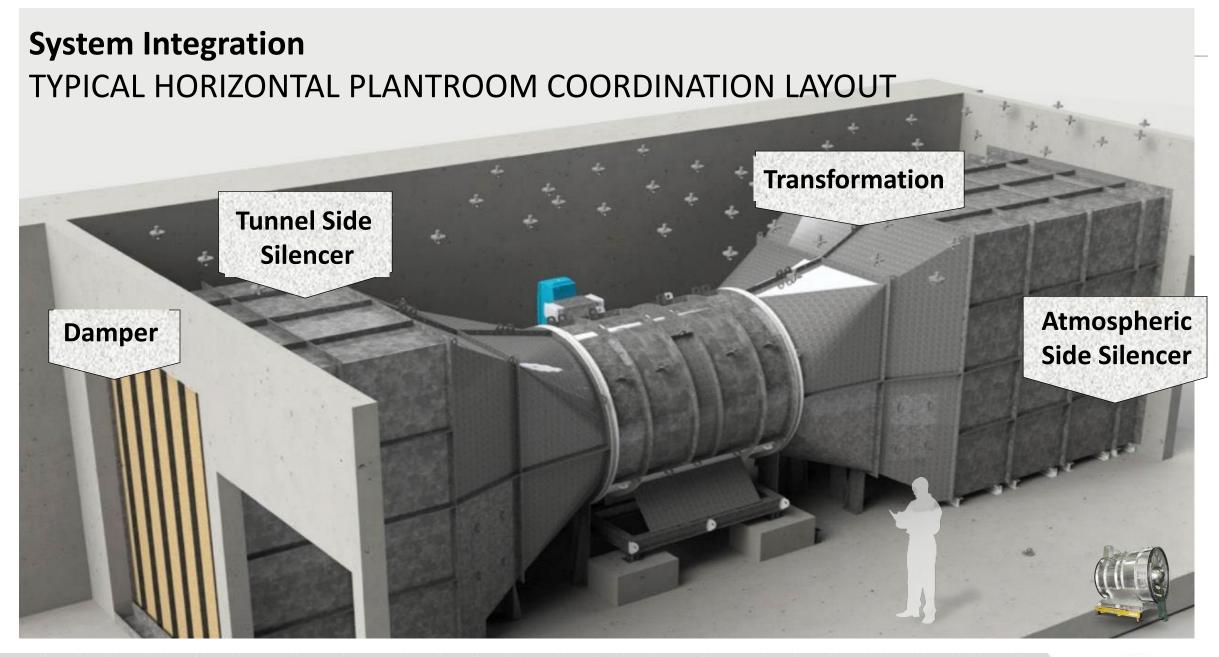
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TRANSITION DUCT PIECES

- Hot Dip Galvanized and Painted Finish for C5 environment protection
- Pre-Assembly prior to shipment





SPLITTER SILENCERS

- Suitable for High Temperature operation up to over 400°C for 2 hours
- Modular design to improve installation
- Bespoke selections for each site/installation requirement
- Material options Pre-Galvanised, Painted or Stainless Steel 304 or 316L





TUNNEL DAMPERS

- Fire Rated
- Operational for 2 hours up to 400°C.
- Suitable for up to 6 kPa pressure
- Low leakage/high-speed actuation options
- Low pressure drop

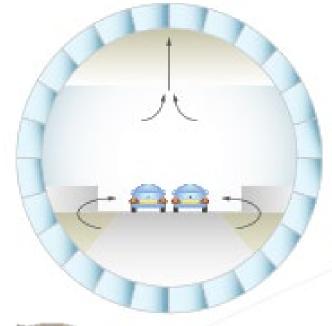






ROAD TUNNELS





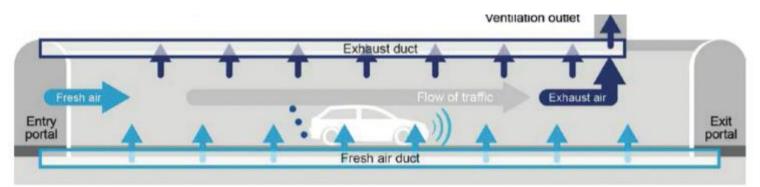


Fan Types Employed

- Smoke Extract High Temperature Axial Fans
- Inlet Axial Fans
- Unidirectional

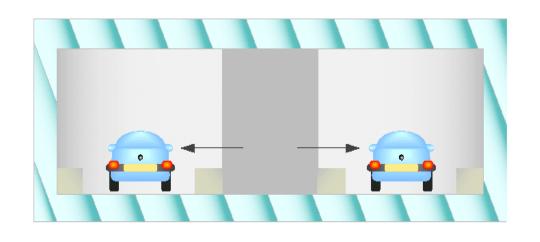
Fully Transverse Systems

- Technically most exact Uniform supply and pollution exhaust
- Fully Transverse not affected by variations in wind pressure or vehicle piston effect
- The hot polluted air rises and is extracted at a high level normally through a ducted system above the roadway.
- The system requires extensive ducting
- Used for bi-directional traffic flow
- High civil and construction costs
- Dampers along length of tunnel to facilitate smoke clearance
- Maintenance normal operating hours without impacting tunnel operation





Road Tunnel Systems



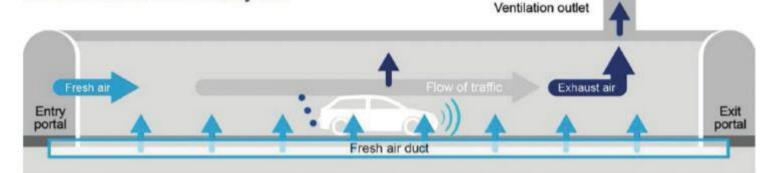
Semi Transverse Systems

- Semi Transverse systems rely on longitudinal air movement along the tunnel
- Semi Transverse utilises the variation in wind pressure and vehicle piston effect
- System requires ducting
- High Civil and Construction costs
- Uni-directional fans, operational sequencing with VSD
- Maintenance normal operating hours without impacting tunnel operation

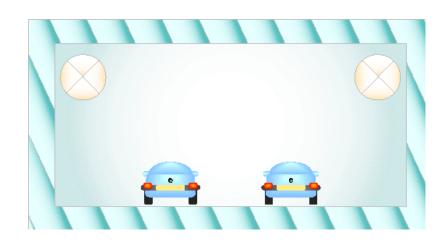


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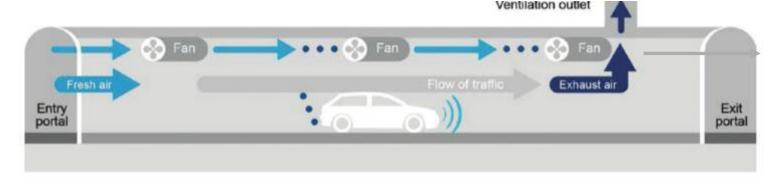


Longitudinal Systems

- Induce flow by high velocity Jet
- Jet Fans at high level
- Most economical solution
- Ease of installation and operation
- Operational sequencing of fans reduces need for VSD
- No dampers required
- Maintenance requires temporary disruption of tunnel use
- Fans directly above fire location, fully immersed

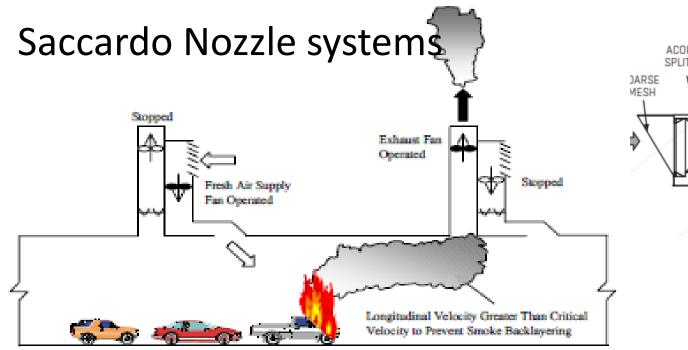


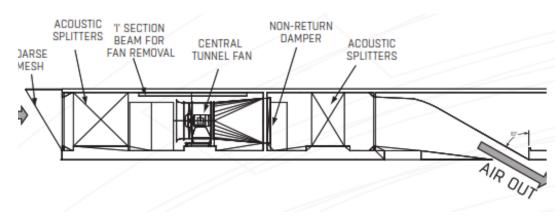
High Temperature Reversible Jet Fans





Road Tunnel Systems





Considerations

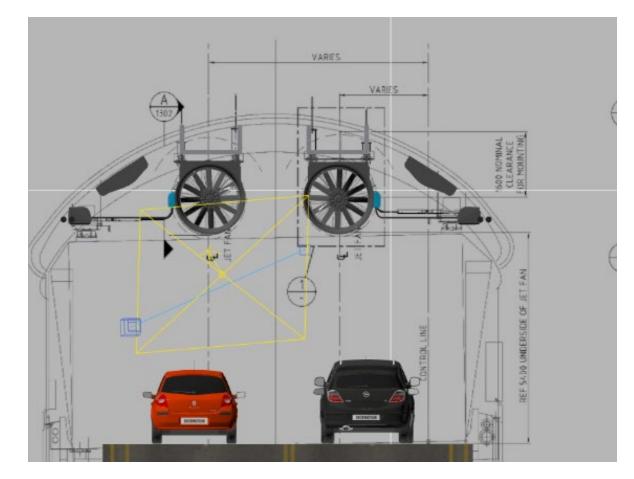
- Reduced tunnel height
- Maintenance normal operating hours without impacting tunnel operation
- Noise level in tunnel is decreased
- Lower number of fans reduced cabling and controls

- Reduced running cost
- Low running costs uses traffic piston effect
- Fans portal mounted land issues
- Cost of ducting



Fan Selection - Longitudinal

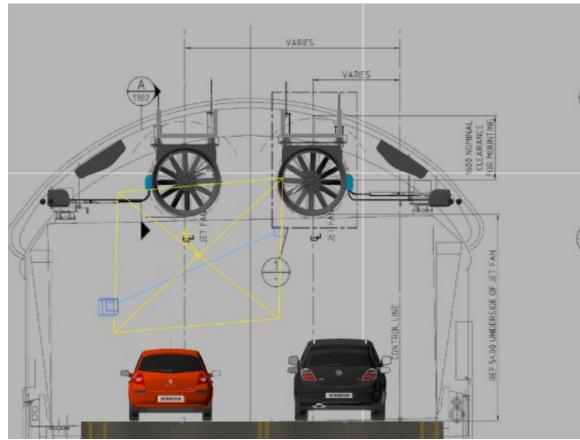
- Ventilation rate to dilute pollutants or for fire size.
- Extra for recirculation at inlet or if semi-polluted at inlet
- Special system resistance calculations.
- Usually multiple installations of fans along tunnel.
- Fans normally high temperature 250 up to 400°C for 2 hour.
- Silencing to 85dBA (NR80) in tunnel (communication).
- Environmental levels near discharge and portal.
- Low speed could be used for night.





Fan Selection - Longitudinal

- Multiple levels of ventilation.
- Fan control by CO, NoX, visibility, smoke monitor, manual or automatic.
- Fans assisted by vehicles, helped or hindered by wind.
- Unidirectional if wind unimportant.
- Reversible if exposed.
- Exhaust from fan with traffic until prevailing higher wind, then against.





PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS – TVF – METRO/RAIL



Large axial fans (1600 mm – 3150 mm diameter)

- 1. Pressure Pulse
- 2. Unidirectional versus Truly Reversible
- 3. Speed Control



High temperature requirements – impact on performance (200°C, 300°C or 400°C for up to 2 hours).

Test requirements – and Efficiency Compliance (ErP versus FEI).

PERFORMANCE PARAMETERS – TBF (JET FANS) – ROAD

Jet fans (500 mm to 1600mm diameter)

1. Unidirectional versus Truly Reversible

Test requirements – and Efficiency Compliance (ISO). Tunnel simulation tests. High temperature requirements – impact on performance (200°C, 300°C or 400°C for up to 2 hours).





ROUTINE QUALITY TESTING

Impeller Strain Gauge Test Over speed 125% for 15 mins

X-Ray ASTM E155

Balance ISO1940 Vibration BS848 pt 7 ISO14694

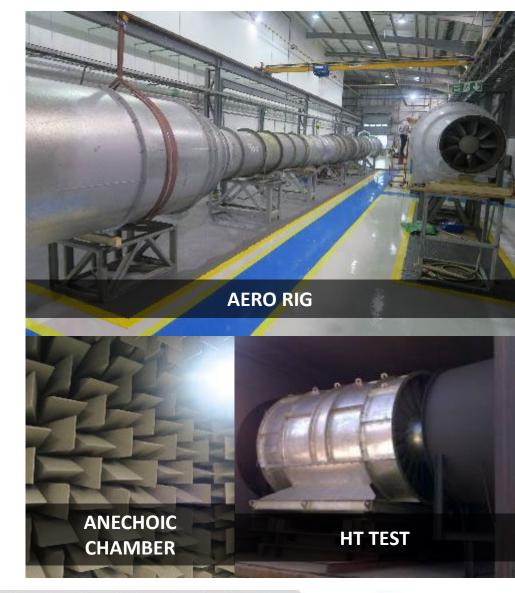
100% X-Ray ALL aluminium moving parts Archived for specific projects



Insist on Certified Laboratory standards and conditions for FAT requirements – typically:

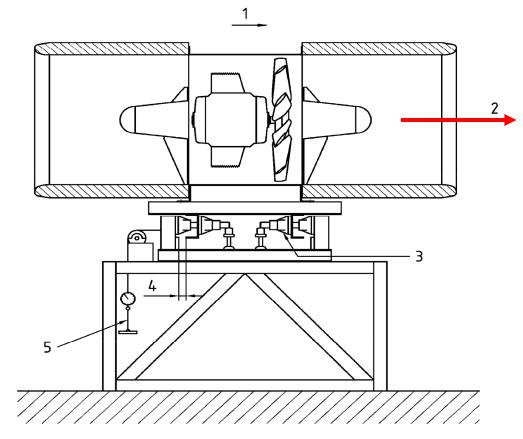
- ISO, AMCA, EN, BS, IEC
- Specific Aerodynamic Testing:
 - ISO 5801:2017 Code D (Ducted)
 - ISO 13348 Tolerances AN2/3
- Acoustic Testing
- Semi Reverberant Area ISO 5136
- Vibration Testing: G6.3 and better
- Thrust and Acoustic Testing to ISO 13350







ISO13350:2015 (AMCA 250) – Thrust Measurement Procedure



Key

- 1 direction of fan movement
- 2 air flow
- 3 bearings
- The fan should be accurately levelled prior to testing.
- fan movement possible

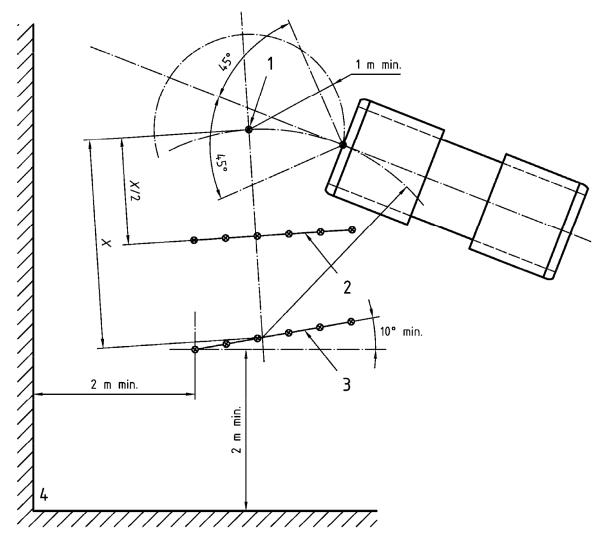
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thrust gauge (measurement in kg direct off gauge + mass of gauge in suspension = thrust)

- 1. Only method to measure **actual** thrust in direction of fan axis.
- Fans with deflectors (or slanted inlet/outlet) should still declare actual thrust in-line with fan axis.
- 3. Tunnel designers use whatever installation effect appropriate to each tunnel based on many criteria:
 - 1. Distance to tunnel surface (roof, wall or both)
 - 2. Obstructions in tunnel (signage etc.)



ISO13350:2015 (AMCA 250) – Noise Measurement Procedure



- 1. Based on ISO 13347 substitution method in a qualified environment
- 2. Requires a large test space (or free-field).
- 3. Sound Power level of inlet and outlet measured (and combined if necessary).
- 4. Sound Power inclusive of attenuation of silencers or accessories (guards; deflectors etc.).



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