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About us

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Background of thesis project

One of the main components that GKN Aerospace specializes in is the turbine rear structure (TRS). Because of the trend towards higher temperatures in the core of the engine, the TRS needs to be able to withstand increasingly higher temperatures. In order to increase our competitiveness, GKN Aerospace is currently developing a TRS technology that will enable the TRS to operate in considerably higher temperatures that present day designs.

Assignment description

The main task of the thesis will be to run and validate the CFD methods used for these new technologies using experimental data. This involves learning to use our numerical tools, meshing, running CFD (using ANSYS CFD tools), understanding and making use of experimental data and creative thinking. The thesis might also include performing concept studies in the design of thermal management systems. The student will be part of the team working with the heat transfer.

Target

- Evaluation of current methods used in TRS thermal management compared to experimental data (CFD validation).
- Evaluation of performed experiments.

Qualifications

A background in Engineering Physics or Mechanical Engineering with focus on fluid mechanics and heat transfer is a requirement. Some experience in CFD is considered favorable.

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