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基于拓扑优化的类翼型扰流元件空气引射器性能分析

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摘 要: 针对传统空气引射器引射率较低的问题, 采用拓扑优化方法对传统空气引射器进行了结构优化, 并基于拓扑优化结果和减阻机理分析, 提出了新型类翼型扰流元件空气引射器。利用数值模拟方法研究了新型空气引射器内部流场, 分析了类翼型扰流元件高度和扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离对引射器性能的影响。结果表明: 扰流元件与引射器壁面形成二次喷嘴效应, 工作流体流出喷嘴后会继续加速, 压力进一步降低, 与引射流体驱动压差增大, 使引射率显著提升; 引射率随类翼型扰流元件高度增大而增大, 随着扰流元件与喷嘴喉部的距离增加, 引射率先增大后减小; 相比于传统引射器, 新型空气引射器引射率可提高 146%~224%; 当类翼型扰流元件的高度为 3.3 mm、扰流元件与喷嘴喉部最佳距离为 0.8 mm 时, 引射率达到最大值 2.07。

关键词: 类翼型扰流元件; 拓扑优化; 空气引射器; 引射率; 数值模拟

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空气引射器是利用高压流体引射低压流体后形成具有中间压力的流体的装置, 具有结构简单、不易损坏等优点, 但其效率偏低, 限制了在工业中进一步应用。引射器内部流体流动复杂, 不仅存在两股流体混合, 还可能产生涡旋、激波等复杂流动现象。为改善内部流场, 提高设备引射率, 众多研究者从引射器形状、尺寸对引射器性能影响方面开展了大量工作, 并取得了系列成果。Kong 等^[1]对具有锯齿形高压喷嘴的引射器进行了研究分析, 证明锯齿形出口结构的高压喷嘴可以优化引射器的性能。Nakagaw 等^[2]对不同混合室长度两相喷射器进行了实验研究, 结果表明, 混合室长度不仅影响压力比, 还影响喷射制冷系统的引射率。Sicuro 等^[3]模拟研究了多喷嘴引射器流场, 结果显示四喷嘴引射器性能优于其他喷嘴, 且在混合室直径与喷嘴出口直径之比在 3~9 时, 引射器性能最佳。史海路等^[4]实验研究了喷嘴距对喷射器及双蒸发压缩/喷射制冷系统性能的影响, 研究结果表明, 喷射器存在最优喷嘴距使喷射以及整个系统性能最好。刘华东等^[5]研究发现在最佳结构尺寸和旁路进口压力下, 两相旁路喷射器引射系数增大 25.7%~56.8%。Banu 等^[6]、Duan

等^[7]、姚轶智等^[8]发现旋流发生器能够提高喷射器的性能, 验证了利用扰流元件诱发驱动流体变化从而提高设备性能的可行性。

分析可知, 目前关于引射器的优化研究大多基于单一变量法或正交实验法, 优化过程中设置了较多约束条件, 限制了引射器优化空间。而拓扑优化技术实现由性能驱动的正向设计, 根据目标函数进行优化, 避免过多的限制约束^[9]。随着近年来拓扑优化技术从固体问题应用到流体问题上, 使流体拓扑优化技术得到了快速发展。Kontoleon 等^[10]基于 Spalart-Allmaras 模型对湍流流道进行设计, 将拓扑伴随方程应用在不可压缩湍流流动模型中。Dilgen 等^[11]对二维和三维湍流强制对流换热器进行拓扑优化, 实现了湍流模型在拓扑优化中的应用。Yoon 等^[12]、Zhao 等^[13]、Cai 等^[14]提出了基于 N-S 方程、基于连续表面的惩罚方法以及基于无导数水平集等湍流拓扑优化方法, 改善了传统拓扑优化理论在解决湍流模型问题时的弊端。Joo 等^[15]使用三维拓扑优化方法设计板翅式散热器的最佳通道间距, 有效改善了散热性能。Wang 等^[16]、王定标等^[17]、裴元帅等^[18]运用变密度拓扑优化方法对设

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备散热结构进行拓扑优化设计,显示拓扑优化结构在散热方面的优越性。

综上,湍流问题在拓扑优化方法中的验证和发展,极大扩展了拓扑优化技术的应用,并且上述研究也证明了拓扑优化的优势。但少有利用拓扑优化方法进行引射器结构优化方面研究,因此,本文将拓扑优化技术应用到空气引射器结构优化上,并对优化后引射器内部流场进行分析,探究拓扑优化后引射器性能及流场演化规律。

1 拓扑优化数学模型与结果讨论

1.1 设计域

传统空气引射器结构参数^[20]见表 1,流体介质均设置为空气,图 1 为传统空气引射器结构图。混合室直径和喷嘴出口位置对引射器性能有显著影响^[19],因此本文选取引射器的混合室作为设计域,见图 1 阴影区域。引射器优化问题描述如下:在既定模型外壁前提下,通过设定目标函数获得自适应引射器最佳流道。

表 1 引射器几何尺寸

几何参数	取值/mm
喷嘴喉部直径 D_{nt}	6.4
喷嘴出口直径 D_{ne}	7.4
喷嘴进口直径 D_{ni}	20.0
混合室直径 D_m	9.4
混合室长度 L_m	47.0
喷嘴渐缩段长度 L_{n1}	34.0
喷嘴喉部长度 L_n	5.0
喷嘴渐扩段长度 L_{n2}	4.6
扩压室长度 L_d	212.0
扩压室出口直径 D_d	20.0

1.2 拓扑优化设计模型

本文使用变密度法 SIMP 插值模型进行优化计算。选用布林克曼模型^[21]模拟该摩擦阻力,阻尼项为

$$F = -\alpha^* u。$$
 (1)

其中, α^* 为多孔介质孔隙渗透率,可表示为

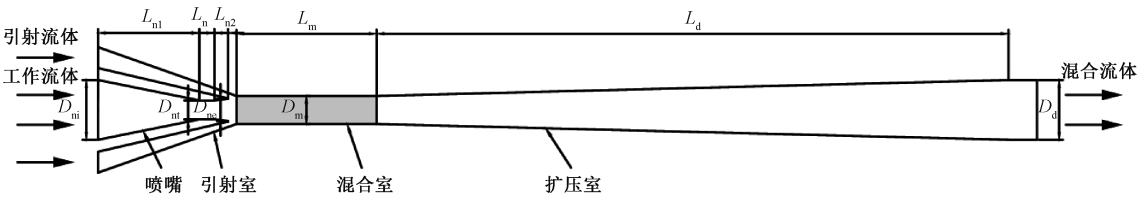


图 1 引射器几何结构

Figure 1 Geometric structure diagram of the ejector

$$\alpha^* = \alpha_{\min} + (\alpha_{\max} - \alpha_{\min}) \cdot \lambda_i \frac{(1 - q)}{(\lambda_i + q)}。$$
 (2)

式中: α_{\max} 和 α_{\min} 为多孔介质最大与最小孔隙渗透率, α_{\max} 取 $10^5 \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s}/\text{m}^2$; λ_i 取 $[0, 1]$; q 为阻流系数惩罚因子, q 取 0.001。

为避免出现棋盘格现象,选用亥姆霍兹过滤器^[22]对单元敏度值进行正则化,网格过滤半径最小值取 0.1 mm。通过对过滤器施加平滑过渡阶梯函数避免结构体灰度较大问题,采用双曲正切函数进行投影:

$$\theta = \frac{\tanh[\beta(\theta_f - \theta_\beta) + \tanh(\beta\theta_\beta)]}{\tanh[\beta(1 - \theta_\beta) + \tanh(\beta\theta_\beta)]}。$$
 (3)

式中: θ_f 为该阶梯函数投影前的设计变量; θ_β 代表投影阈值,取 0.5; β 取 8。

1.3 目标函数及约束条件

以引射器引射率为优化目标函数,引射率 ω 定义为引射流体与工作流体的质量流量之比:

$$\omega = \frac{m_e}{m_g}。$$
 (4)

式中: m_e 为引射流体质量流量, g/s ; m_g 为工作流体质量流量, g/s 。

因引射器需要保证较大流体流通度,控制拓扑生成流道体积与整个模型设计域体积比处于 90% ~ 100% 内,约束体积表达式为

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{V} \int \Omega \lambda_i d\Omega - V^* \leq 0; \\ 0.9 \leq V^* \leq 1。 \end{cases}$$
 (5)

综上,引射器数学优化模型描述如下:

$$\begin{cases} \text{find } \lambda_i; \\ \max \Psi = \frac{m_e}{m_g}; \\ F = -\alpha^* u; \\ \text{s. t. } \frac{1}{V} \int \Omega \lambda_i d\Omega - V^* \leq 0, \quad 0.9 \leq V^* \leq 1, \\ 0 \leq \lambda_i \leq 1, 2, \dots, n。 \end{cases}$$
 (6)

1.4 拓扑优化结果及流场计算

通过上述优化流程,并对拓扑直接计算结果边

界进行规则化设计处理,结果见图 2。相比传统引射器,拓扑优化结构在混合室入口处增加一个固体区域,将该固体区域定义为扰流元件。

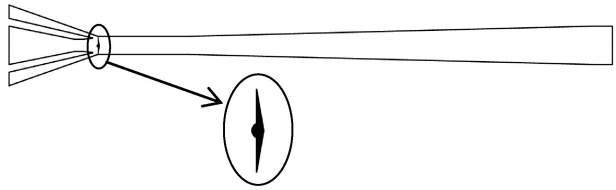


图 2 拓扑引射器结构图

Figure 2 Topological ejector structure diagram

1.5 模型设置及验证

采用 Ansys Fluent 软件对拓扑引射器进行数值模拟。流体介质为可压缩的理想空气,采用 RNG $k-\varepsilon$ 湍流模型,采用 SIMPLEC 格式的压力-速度耦合项。速度方程、能量方程选用二阶迎风离散格式。体积分数使用 QUICK 离散格式,空间梯度离散格式为 Green-Gauss cell,压力离散格式为 PRESTIO。近壁处采用标准壁面函数法。工作喷嘴入口为压力入口,设置为 1 MPa;引射室入口为压力入口,设置为 0.4 MPa;引射室出口为压力出口,设置为 0.5 MPa^[20]。

网格划分结果见图 3,经网格无关性验证,本文网格数为 285 236。将模拟结果与文献[20]实验结果进行对比,引射率结果见表 2,相对误差在 4.2%~8.6%。

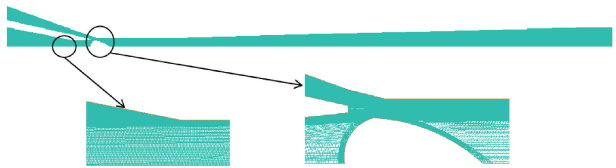


图 3 引射器网格划分

Figure 3 Ejector grid division

表 2 模拟结果与实验结果引射率对比

Table 2 Comparison between numerical simulation results and experimental results of entrainment ratio

工况	引射率		引射率 相对误差/%
	文献[20]实验值	本文模拟值	
1	0.57	0.61	5.2
2	0.58	0.63	8.6
3	0.47	0.49	4.2
4	0.38	0.41	7.8
5	0.35	0.38	8.5

1.6 结果分析与类翼型扰流元件的提出

图 4 为引射器结构拓扑优化前后速度云图。从图 4 拓扑引射器图中可以看出,扰流元件与引射器壁面形成了二次喷嘴,从喷嘴出口流出的工作流体

会继续加速,并在流道最窄处达到最大值,且大于传统引射器同位置处工作流体速度。但扰流元件后部出现尾迹涡,形成较大速度亏损区,该区域发生现象及原因与风力机叶片所产生的尾迹类似^[23],高马赫数流体的尾迹损失系数较大,会造成较大能量损失。为减小尾迹损失,基于风力机叶片减阻机理^[24],将扰流元件调整为类翼型形状^[25],图 5 为调整后扰流元件形状,尺寸见表 3。

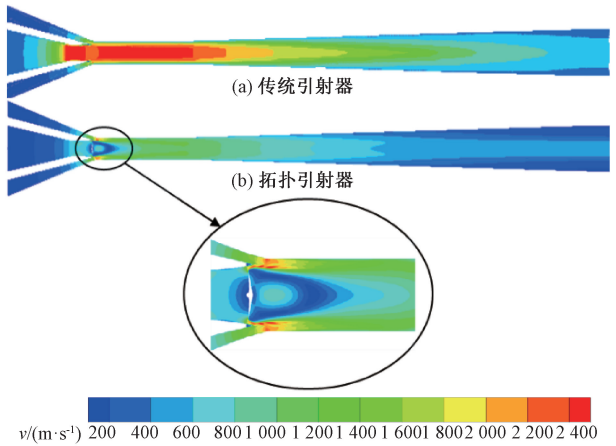


图 4 传统引射器与拓扑引射器速度云图

Figure 4 Velocity contours of traditional ejector and topological ejector

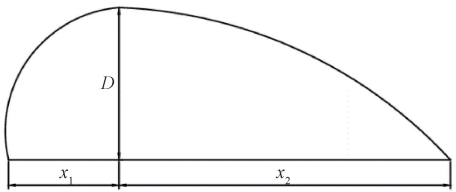


图 5 类翼型扰流元件结构

Figure 5 Geometric structure of airfoil-like spoiler element

表 3 类翼型扰流元件几何尺寸

Table 3 Geometric parameters of airfoil-like spoiler element

结构参数	取值/mm
最大高度 D	3.30
前弦长 x_1	1.26
后弦长 x_2	5.04
扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离 l	5.90

2 类翼型扰流元件引射器流场与性能分析

2.1 类翼型扰流元件引射器流场分析

图 6 为类翼型扰流元件引射器与传统引射器速度和压力云图。与拓扑引射器流场类似,类翼型扰流元件与引射器壁面形成的二次喷嘴效应使混合室入口处工作流体速度增加,压力降低。同时,类翼型结构扰流元件尾迹涡旋区显著改善,涡旋能量损失减小。图 7 为引射器混合室内压力沿扰流元件最大

高度轴线分布图。由图 7 中可见,在混合室入口位置附近压力明显低于传统引射器,而且混合室段压力高于传统引射器,与图 6(c)所示压力云图相符。图 8 为引射器混合室内速度梯度图,在类翼型扰流元件引射器混合室内轴线附近流体速度与靠近壁面流体速度均较低,形成从中心到壁面为低速-中速-低速的速度分布层,该种速度分层能够增大不同速度流体的接触面积,提高流体混合效率。

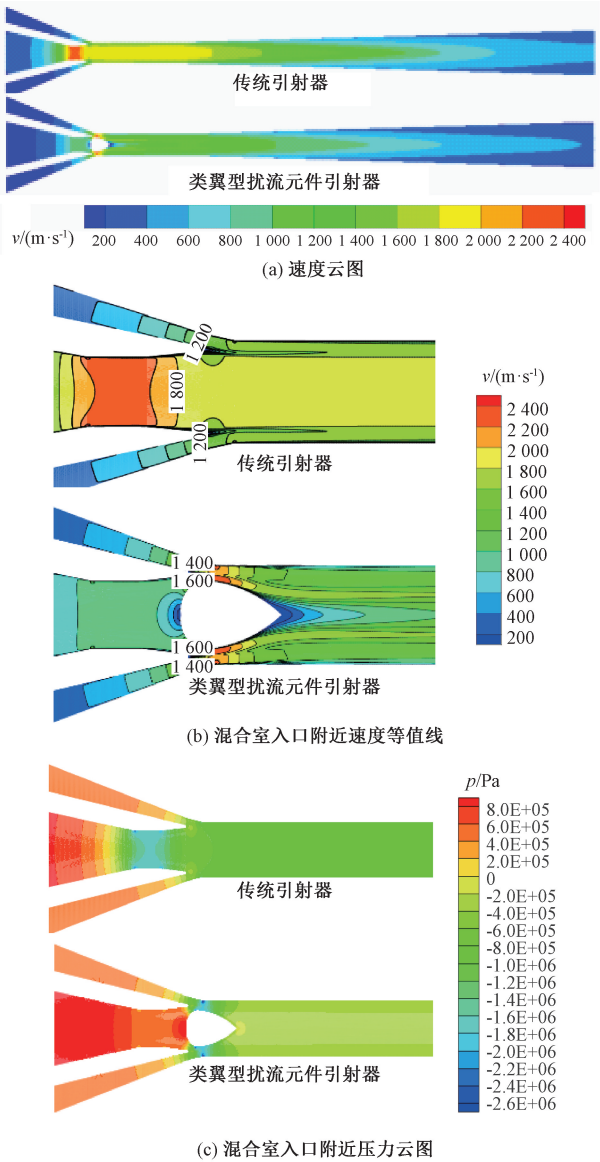


图 6 传统引射器与类翼型扰流元件引射器内部流场云图
Figure 6 Internal flow field contours of the traditional ejector and airfoil-like spoiler element ejector

图 9 所示为引射器内湍动能云图,类翼型扰流元件引射器混合室入口位置附近湍动能显著大于传统引射器,表明在扰流元件作用下,流体之间动量交换剧烈,能量传递效果更好。新型引射器扩压室内湍动能小于传统引射器,表明流体在混合室内混合更充分,扩压室内能量损失较小。

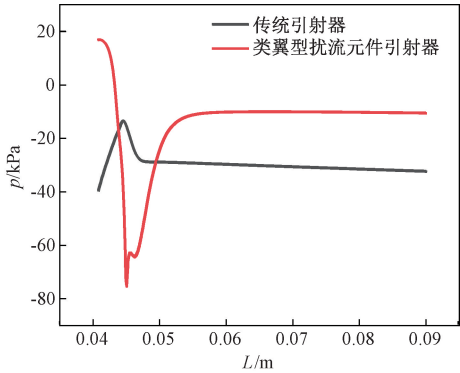


图 7 传统引射器与类翼型扰流元件引射器混合室内压力沿扰流元件最大高度轴线方向的变化
Figure 7 Changes of pressure along the axis direction of the maximum height of the spoiler of traditional ejector and airfoil-like spoiler element ejector

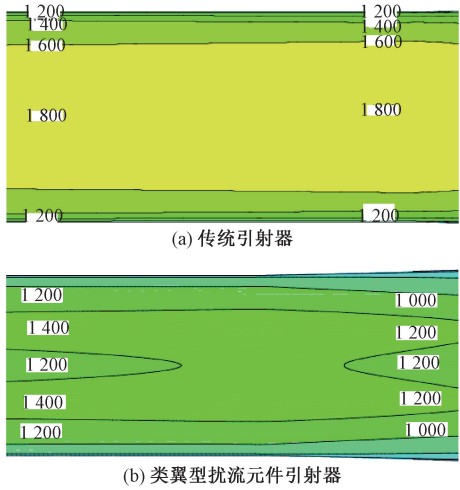


图 8 传统引射器与类翼型扰流元件引射器混合室内速度梯度图
Figure 8 Velocity contours of traditional ejector and airfoil-like spoiler element ejector in the mixing chamber

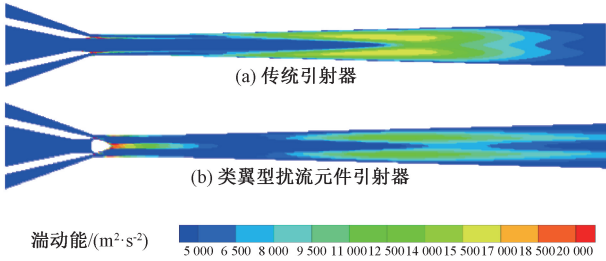


图 9 传统引射器与类翼型扰流元件引射器湍动能云图
Figure 9 Turbulent kinetic energy contours of traditional ejector and airfoil-like spoiler element ejector

2.2 扰流元件高度对引射器性能的影响

保持类翼型扰流元件引射器的其他结构尺寸和工况参数不变,改变扰流元件最大高度 D 从 2.8 mm 增加到 3.9 mm,间隔 0.4 mm。图 10 为工作流体和引射流体流量的变化趋势,随着最大高度值增加,工

作流体流量呈下降趋势,引射流体流量先增大后减小,当扰流元件最大高度为 3.3 mm 时,引射率为 1.57,相比于传统引射器增大近 146%。

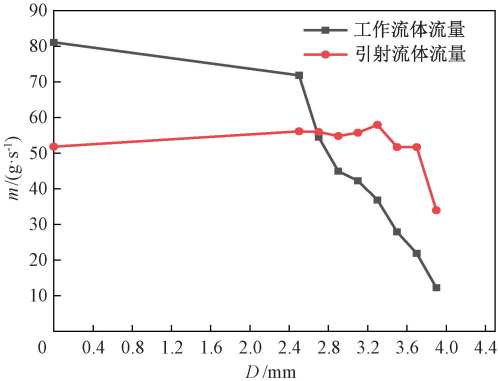


图 10 工作流体与引射流体流量随扰流元件高度的变化
Figure 10 Variation of the primary and secondary flow rate with the maximum height of the spoiler element

2.3 扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离对引射器性能的影响

保持类翼型扰流元件最大高度为 3.3 mm、引射器其他结构尺寸参数和工况条件不变,改变扰流元件前端相对于喉部的距离 S 从 0.3 mm 增长至 2.3 mm,间隔 0.5 mm,结果见图 11。随 S 不断增大,工作流体流量呈上升趋势,引射流体流量先增大后减小。当距离为 0.8 mm 时,引射率达到最大值 2.07,相比于传统引射器增大近 224%。

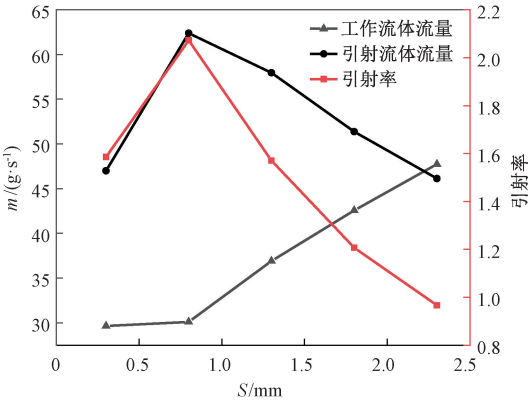


图 11 流量与引射率随扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离的变化
Figure 11 Flow rate and entrainment ratio vary with the distance between the spoiler element and the nozzle throat

3 结论

本文采用拓扑优化方法对空气引射器结构进行了优化,得到了混合室内增加扰流元件拓扑结构引射器,并基于风力机叶片减阻原理分析,提出了类翼型扰流元件引射器。利用数值模拟方法研究了类翼型扰流元件引射器内部流场,分析了类翼型扰流元

件高度和扰流元件与距喷嘴喉部距离对引射器性能的影响。主要结论如下。

(1) 工况及其他结构参数不变时,增加扰流元件会形成二次喷嘴效应,喷嘴流出的工作流体继续加速,两股流体速度差减小,引射流体驱动压差增大,工作流体引射能力增强,引射率提高。

(2) 类翼型扰流元件引射器引射率高于传统引射器。引射率随扰流元件高度增大而增大;随扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离增加,引射率先增大后减小,引射率较传统引射器可提高 146%~224%。当类翼型扰流元件高度为 3.3 mm、扰流元件与喷嘴喉部距离为 0.8 mm 时,引射率达到最大值 2.07。

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Performance Analysis of Airfoil-like Spoiler Element Air Ejector Based on Topology Optimization

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Abstract: Aiming at the problem of low entrainment ratio of the traditional air ejector, the topology optimization method was used to optimize its structure. And an air ejector with airfoil-like spoiler element was proposed based on the topology optimization results and drag reduction mechanism analysis. The internal flow field of the ejector was studied by numerical simulation, and the influence of the height of the airfoil-like spoiler element and the distance between the element and the nozzle throat on the ejector performance was analyzed. The results showed that the secondary nozzle effect would occur after adding the spoiler element and the primary flow accelerated after flowing out of the nozzle, and the pressure was further reduced. The driving pressure difference of the primary flow was increased, the velocity difference between the two flows was reduced, and the entrainment ratio was significantly improved. The entrainment ratio increased as the height of the spoiler element increased, and the entrainment ratio increased first then decreased with the increase of the distance between the spoiler element and the nozzle throat. The entrainment ratio of the airfoil-like spoiler element ejector could increase by 146%~224% by changing the height of the airfoil-like spoiler element and the distance between the element and the nozzle throat. The entrainment ratio reached the optimal value of 2.07 when the height of the airfoil-like spoiler element was 3.3 mm and the distance between the spoiler element and the nozzle throat was 0.8 mm.

Keywords: airfoil-like spoiler element; topology optimization; air ejector; entrainment ratio; numerical simulation

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Dynamic Grouping Active Equalization Method for Series Connected Batteries Based on Reconfigurable Circuits

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Abstract: In order to solve the problem of inconsistent state of charge of single cells in battery pack, the active equalization control technology was studied with series connected battery pack as the research object. The research content included the improvement of the balancing topology and the design of the balancing control strategy. Firstly, a new topology was proposed and verified. Secondly, the mathematical model of equalization circuit was established, and the effects of voltage difference and switching frequency on equalization performance were analyzed. According to the results of voltage difference analysis, a multi-cell-to-multi-cell balancing control strategy based on variable duty cycle is designed to improve the equalization speed and consistency of battery pack. Finally, the joint simulation of equalization topology and equalization strategy was carried out in MATLABR2021b/Simulink. The results showed that, compared with the fixed group balancing control strategy, the proposed balancing topology and control strategy could improve the balancing speed and consistency of the battery pack, the time efficiency was increased by 29.71%, the battery SOC variance was reduced by 16.13% and the number of energy transfers was reduced by 52.5%.

Keywords: lithium-ion battery; active equalization; reconfigurable circuits; dynamic grouping; balancing topology