

02999D Program Description I

Program Title PREDICTING THE APPARENT WIND

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The apparent wind is the resultant wind composed of the vectors of the true wind velocity and the yacht's speed. It is the wind felt by the crew on board of a moving yacht which actuating on the sails develop the aerodinamic forces.

Whenever a change on course takes place, as when rounding a course mark or a navigation land mark, often the new apparent wind direction and/or velocity overwhelms even the experienced sailor.

In order to overcame this problem, this program determines the apparent wind velocity and direction on the next course to be sailed in the light of the data from the boat and of the wind on the course being sailed.

To run the program we need to input the following data:

V_s = boat speed

C = course being sailed (see ANGLE CONVENTION and WARNINGS)

β = angle of apparent wind to course being sailed (see ANGLE CONVENTION and WARNINGS)

V_a = apparent wind velocity

V'_s = estimate boat speed in the next course

C' = next course rhumb line

The program gives the following answers:

V'_a = apparent wind velocity in the next course

β' = angle of apparent wind to rhumb line in the next course

If the above output is incompatible with the estimate boat speed in the next course (V'_s), the program then will give an easy way to a more accurate solution.

Moreover if β' is less than the minimum boat's pointing angle (normally between 25° to 35°) the boat won't be able to sail on the next rhumb line (C'), therefore beating will be mandatory. In such case, input the minimum pointing angle and the corresponding estimated boat speed then the program output the apparent wind speed for said conditions. This program also calculate the true wind velocity and direction.

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EQUATIONS

$$\vec{V}_t = \vec{V}_a + \vec{V}_s$$

$$\vec{V}'_a = \vec{V}'_s + \vec{V}_t$$

where, V_t = true wind velocity

ANGLE CONVENTION

Courses: they are regarded as normally found in navigation use, i.e. 0° to 360° anti-clockwise.

Angle of apparent wind: if starboard tack 0° to 180°; if port tack 0° to -180°.

Leeway: negative if starboard tack; positive if port tack

WARNINGS

When close hauled or close reaching pay attention to the leeway (λ), which usually varies from 0° to 8°, so:

$$\beta = (\text{apparent wind angle given by the wind direction instrument}) + (\text{leeway}).$$

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EXAMPLE I

$V_s = 5$ knot $C = 60^\circ$ $V_a = 12$ knot $\beta = -50^\circ$ $V'_s = 6$ knot $C' = 140^\circ$

KEYSTROKES

5 [ENTER] 60 [A]

12 [ENTER] 50 [CH] [B]

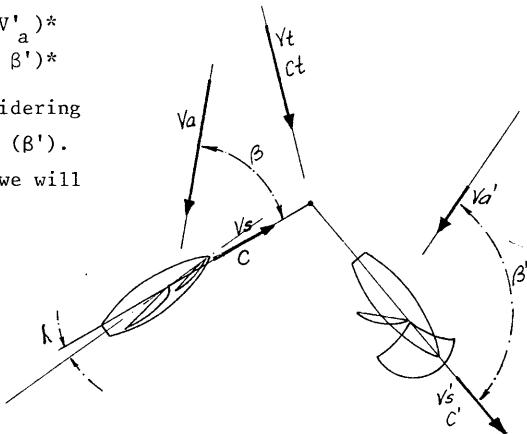
6 [ENTER] 140 [C] $\rightarrow 4,99$ knot (V'_a)*
 $\rightarrow -121,17^\circ$ (β')*

(*) The boat's speed (V'_s) seems low considering the wind velocity (V'_a) and direction (β'). Bringing the boat speed to 6,5 knot we will have:

6,5 [ENTER] 140 [C] $\rightarrow 4,75$ knot (V'_a)*
 $\rightarrow -116,00^\circ$ (β')*

The true wind

[E] $\rightarrow 9,58$ knot (V_t)
 $\rightarrow 346,45^\circ$ (C_t)



EXAMPLE II

$V_s = 8$ knot $C = 228,5^\circ$ $V_a = 9$ knot $\beta = 175^\circ$
 $V'_s = 8,5$ knot $C' = 86,5^\circ$ $\beta_{\min} = 29^\circ$

KEYSTROKES

8 [ENTER] 228,5 [A]

9 [ENTER] 175 [B]

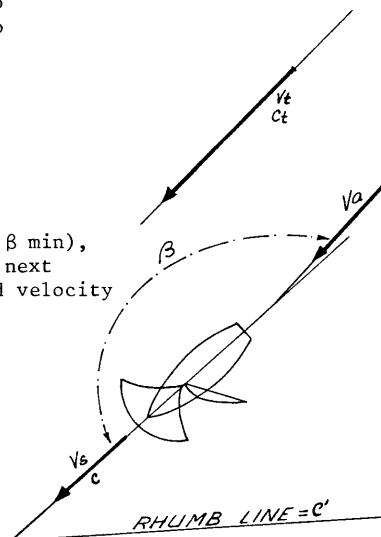
8,5 [ENTER] 86,5 [C] $\rightarrow 24,08$ knot (V'_a)*
 $\rightarrow -27,35^\circ$ (β')*

(*) β' is less than the minimum pointing angle (β_{\min}), therefore it will be necessary to beat on the next course and in that condition the apparent wind velocity will be:

8,5 [ENTER] 29 [D] $\rightarrow 24,76$ knot (V''_a)

The true wind

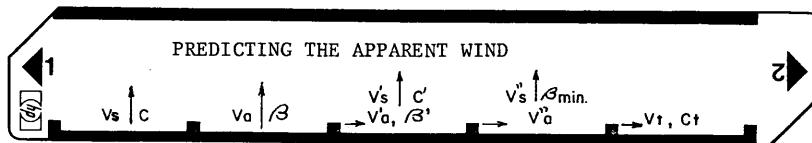
[E] $\rightarrow 16,98$ knot (V_t)
 $\rightarrow 45,85^\circ$ (C_t)



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User Instructions

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STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS	STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS
001	f LBL A	31 25 11			-	51	
	f CL REG	31 43			h RTN	35 22	Output β' (if $\beta' < 0$)
	STO 1	33 01		060	h x \leq y	35 52	Input $V''_s \uparrow \beta$ min
	h x \leq y	35 52			f \rightarrow R	31 72	
	f \rightarrow R	31 72			STO 7	33 07	
	STO - 2	33 51 02			h x \leq y	35 52	
	h x \leq y	35 52			STO 8	33 08	
	STO - 3	33 51 03			RCL 6	34 06	
	h RTN	35 22			RCL 5	34 05	
010	f LBL B	31 25 12	Input $V_a \uparrow \beta$		g \rightarrow P	32 72	
	RCL 1	34 01			STO + 7	33 61 07	
	+	61			RCL 8	34 08	
	h x \leq y	35 52		070	RCL 7	34 07	
	f \rightarrow R	31 72			g \rightarrow P	32 72	
	STO + 2	33 61 02			h RTN	35 22	Output V''_a
	h x \leq y	35 52			f LBL E	31 25 15	
	STO + 3	33 61 03			RCL 6	34 06	
	RCL 2	34 02			RCL 5	34 05	
	STO 5	33 05			g \rightarrow P	32 72	
020	RCL 3	34 03			f - x -	31 84	Output V_t
	STO 6	33 06			h x \leq v	35 52	
	h RTN	35 22			f x < 0 ?	31 71	
	f LBL C	31 25 13	Input $V'_s \uparrow C'$				
	STO 4	33 04		080	f GSB 0	31 22 00	
	RCL 5	34 05			h RTN	35 22	
	STO 2	33 02			f LBL 0	31 25 00	Output C_t
	CL x	44				3	03
	RCL 6	34 06				6	06
	STO 3	33 03				0	00
030	CL x	44				+	61
	h R \downarrow	35 53			RTN	35 22	
	h x \leq y	35 52		090			
	f \rightarrow R	31 72					
	STO + 2	33 61 02					
	h x \leq y	35 52					
	STO + 3	33 61 03					
	RCL 3	34 03					
	RCL 2	34 02					
	g + p	32 72					
040	f - x -	31 84	Output V'_a				
	h x > y	35 52					
	f x < 0 ?	31 71					
	f GSB 0	31 22 00					
	RCL 4	34 04		100			
	-	51					
	1	01					
	8	08					
	0	00					
	h x \leq y	35 52					
050	g x > y ?	32 81					
	GTO 1	22 01					
	h RTN	35 22					
	f LBL 1	31 25 01					
	h x \leq y	35 52		110			
	2	02					
	X	71					
			Output β' (if $\beta' > 0$)				

REGISTERS

0	1	φ	2	$\Sigma \times$	3	Σy	4	ψ	5	used	6	used	7	used	8	used	9
S0	S1		S2		S3		S4		S5		S6		S7		S8		S9
A		B		C		D			E			F		G		H	I

Program Listing II

STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS	STEP	KEY ENTRY	KEY CODE	COMMENTS
				170			
				180			
				190			
				200			
				210			
				220			
120							
130							
140							
150							
160							

LABELS

LABELS					FLAGS		SET STATUS		
A Input	B Input	C In/Output	D In/Output	E Out/put	0	1	FLAGS	TRIG	DISP
a	b	c	d	e	1		ON OFF	<input type="checkbox"/>	
0 Used	1 Used	2	3	4	2		0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5	6	7	8	9	3		1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
							2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
							3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
							DEG	<input type="checkbox"/>	
							GRAD	<input type="checkbox"/>	
							RAD	<input type="checkbox"/>	
							SCI	<input type="checkbox"/>	
							ENG	<input type="checkbox"/>	
							n		