Numerical Simulation of MHD for Electromagnetic Edge Dam in Continuous Casting

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A computer model was developed to predict eddy currents and fluid flows in molten steel. The model was verified by comparing predictions with experimental results of liquid-metal containment and fluid flow in electromagnetic (EM) edge dams (EMDs) designed at Inland Steel for twin-roll casting. The model can optimize the EMD design so it is suitable for application, and minimize expensive, time-consuming full-scale testing.

Numerical simulation was performed by coupling a three-dimensional (3-D) finite-element EM code (ELEKTRA) and a 3-D finite-difference fluids code (CaPS-EM) to solve heat transfer, fluid flow, and turbulence transport in a casting process that involves EM fields. ELEKTRA is able to predict the eddy-current distribution and the electromagnetic forces in complex geometries. CaPS-EM is capable of modeling fluid flows with free surfaces. Results of the numerical simulation compared well with measurements obtained from a static test.

1 INTRODUCTION

Steel sheets are widely used in the automotive and appliance industries. Most steel sheets are now made by continuous casting of 50- to 300-mm-thick slabs, followed by hot rolling to reduce the thickness to \( \approx 2.5 \) mm, and then by cold rolling to the final thickness. The configuration of traditional slab casting is shown in Figure 1. The hot-rolling stage is very capital- and energy-intensive, adding significantly to the cost of the finished product. Industry has an urgent need to develop its capability to cast relatively thin sheets of steel. If thin sheets could be cast, the entire hot-rolling portion of the process could be eliminated. The cost savings would give the sheet product an enormous economic advantage over products made by competing methods.

Twin-roll casting has been used for the production of wide, thin aluminum strips. Several twin-roll processes are used to cast strips that are 2 - 5 mm thick and 1500 - 2000 mm wide [1-5]. This technique for casting thin strip traditionally uses some type of ceramic material at the ends of countering rotating rolls to contain the molten metal pool, as shown in Figure 2. Ceramic dams only endure for a short period of time and are susceptible to erosion and breakage. They also are sites on which the molten metal can solidify and this solidified material can become attached to the strip being formed and thus alter the roll gap spacing, and hence the thickness of the cast product and the surface temperature. These alternations can lead to surface defects, variation in product thickness, leakage of liquid steel from the caster, and even strand breakage and liquid steel breakouts.

![Twin-roll casting process diagram](image-url)
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Magnetics is increasingly being used in a broad range of metallurgical applications. These range from relatively mature applications such as the electromagnetic (EM) mold for casting aluminum [6] to emerging or proposed applications such as levitation and/or confinement in the entry region between the tundish and a horizontal casting mold, edge confinement [7] and control [8] within a strip or plate caster, and control of shape (e.g., thickness) to near final form specifications [9]. In virtually all such applications, an alternating EM field is used to induce current to flow within the molten metal to create the desired confinement forces. The confinement forces work against a static head that, in many applications, is primarily gravitational in origin.

Use of the EM field will play a major role in the evolution of the steel industry [10-14]. No contact is made with the steel; defects can be minimized, and product quality can be improved. Many product quality problems are related to mold and air-gap formation, and to interaction of the ingot shell and liquid core. These problems could be eliminated by moldless casting, wherein an EM field supports the liquid metal until it enters the direct-quench zone. The application of EM edge dams (EMDs) in twin-roll casting (Figure 3) can bypass fundamental problems of ceramic solid dams and makes economic sense [15,16]. In other words, if the EMD concept is successful, all of the problems associated with ceramic edge containment could be eliminated and the possibility of successfully developing a twin-roll strip casting process for steel would be greatly increased. Application of EM fields in twin-roll casting is a complicated process that involves interaction among electric, magnetic, thermal, mechanical, and metallurgical phenomena. Therefore, modeling is needed to help optimize the performance of products, enhance their value, get them to the marketplace sooner, and gain competitive advantages for business and industry.

Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) and Inland Steel Company have worked together to develop a three-dimensional (3-D) computer model that can predict fluid flows and eddy currents in EMDs for twin-roll casting. Numerical simulations were performed to compute the EM force and fluid flow by coupling the finite-element EM code ELEKTRA and the finite-difference casting process magnetohydrodynamic code CaPS-EM. ELEKTRA solves 3-D time-varying EM field equations and predicts the induced eddy currents and EM forces. The time variation can be either transient or steady-state ac. CaPS-EM provides an efficient solution of transient heat conduction within the metal and between the metal and the mold and computes the...
profile of the free surface [17]. The computed 3-D magnetic fields and induced current densities in ELEKTRA are used as input for flow-field computations in CaPS-EM. The model developed by ANL and Inland Steel Company involves solutions of the Maxwell equations, the Navier-Stokes equations, and the transport equations for the turbulence kinetic energy \( k \) and its rate of dissipation \( \varepsilon \). Turbulent flow is included to describe recirculating electromagnetically induced flows, and control of turbulent flow in the liquid metal is an efficient method to improve performance of the EM system. The model utilizes the design data and operating parameters of a static test rig of an industrial twin-roll caster at 4.4 kHz to compute transient fluid flows.

2 MATHEMATICAL MODEL AND NUMERICAL PROCEDURE

In this study, fluid flow of liquid metal with a free surface under EM force was investigated numerically. The volume fraction method was introduced to treat the free surface, and the magnetic potential was used for eddy-current analysis. The shape of the free surface is governed primarily by the balance of EM pressures against pressures due to gravity. Transfer of momentum due to both flow of molten metal and turbulence may also be of critical importance. Quantitative mathematical representation of this system involves the induced current, the EM field, the EM force, and the resulting fluid flow. These steps may be conveniently divided into EM calculations and fluid-flow computations.

The following assumptions are made in the mathematical model:

- All flows are assumed to be isotropic and at steady state.
- Fluid flow due to causes other than EM action (e.g., pouring stream) is not included in the simulation.
- Time-averaged values of the EM forces are appropriate for fluid-flow calculations.

2.1 Electromagnetic Equations

ELEKTRA uses a combination of vector and scalar magnetic potentials to model time-varying EM fields. Vector potentials are used in conducting media, and scalar potentials are used elsewhere. In time-varying fields, the currents induced in conducting volumes are some of the unknowns in the system. Therefore, their fields cannot be evaluated by simply performing an integration. Inside the conducting volumes, the field representation must include a rotational component. ELEKTRA combines the efficient total-and-reduced scalar potential method for non-conducting volumes with an algorithm that uses a vector potential in the conducting volumes.

In a low-frequency time-varying magnetic field, when the dimensions of the objects in the space are small compared with the wavelengths of the fields, the magnetic and electric fields are related by the low-frequency limit of Maxwell's equations:

Magnetic flux density:

\[
\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0
\]

Ampere's Law:

\[
\mathbf{J} = \nabla \times \mathbf{H}
\]

Faraday's Law:

\[
\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}
\]

and

Ohm's Law:

\[
\mathbf{J} = \sigma (\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{\bar{U}} \times \mathbf{B}),
\]

where \( \sigma \) is the electrical conductivity, \( \mathbf{\bar{B}} \) is the magnetic flux density, \( \mathbf{E} \) is the electric field strength, \( \mathbf{H} \) is the magnetic field strength, and \( \mathbf{J} \) is the current density. Once the current distribution and the vector potential are known, the magnetic field is readily calculated and one may then obtain the EM force \( \mathbf{F} \) by using the relationship

\[
\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B}.
\]

2.2 Fluid Flow Equations [17,18]

The conservation equations of continuity, motion, and energy in CaPS are developed by the mass, momentum, and energy balance, respectively, over a control volume, i.e.,

\[
\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{U}_i) = 0.
\]

Equation 6 indicates that the rate of mass accumulation is the difference between the rate of mass into and mass out of the control volume, i.e.,
In Eq. 7, the terms on left-hand side indicate the rate of increase of momentum. The terms on the right-hand side are the rate of momentum gain by convection, the pressure force on an element, the rate of momentum gain by viscous transfer, the gravitational force on an element, and the EM force on an element, respectively.

2.3 Turbulence Model

In the bulk of the liquid, the k-ε model is used. The transport equations that describe the time and space distributions of turbulence kinetic energy k and its rate of dissipation ε (Eqs. 8 and 9) are given in terms of production, buoyancy, dissipation, and diffusion. The EM effect on turbulence is implied by the last term of Eq. 8 [19].

\[
\rho \frac{\partial k}{\partial t} + \rho U_j \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_j} = \nabla \cdot \left[ \frac{(\mu_t + \mu_\ell)}{\sigma_k} \frac{\partial k}{\partial x_i} \right] - \frac{4}{3} c_{\text{MHD}} \sigma_k B_i B_j - \rho \epsilon
\]

(8)

\[
\rho \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial t} + \rho U_j \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial x_j} = c_{k\epsilon} \frac{\epsilon}{k} (P_k + G_k)
\]

\[
- c_{2\epsilon} \rho \frac{\epsilon^2}{k} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left[ \frac{(\mu_t + \mu_\ell)}{\sigma_\epsilon} \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial x_i} \right].
\]

(9)

In Eqs. 8 and 9, \( P_k \) and \( G_k \) are defined by Ref. 20 as follows:

\[
P_k = \mu_{\text{eff}} \left[ \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial U_i}{\partial x_j} \right]
\]

(10)

and

\[
G_k = - \frac{\mu_t}{\rho \sigma_h} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} (\frac{\partial T}{\partial x_j} g_j).
\]

(11)

Here, \( P_k \) is the source term due to mean shear and \( G_k \) is the source term due to thermal buoyancy. \( \sigma_h (= 0.9) \) is the turbulence Prandtl number, used to calculate turbulent conductivity, and \( \sigma_k (=1.0) \) is the turbulence Prandtl number for \( k \). \( \sigma_\epsilon (=1.3) \) is the turbulence Prandtl number for \( \epsilon \), \( c_{1\epsilon} (=1.44) \) is the coefficient of turbulence production, and \( c_{2\epsilon} (=1.92) \) is the coefficient for decay-of-grid turbulence. The effective viscosity \( \mu_{\text{eff}} (= \mu_\ell + \mu_t) \) is the sum of laminar and turbulent viscosities.

In the immediate vicinity of a solid wall, the values of turbulence properties vary significantly. Therefore, the wall function treatment is applied to predict the correct values of momentum flux, energy flux, and gradient of \( k \) and \( \epsilon \). Figure 4 shows the two-layer wall function model [20] used in the simulation. When \( y_p > y_\ell \), the first node is in the fully turbulent zone and one has

\[
k_p = \frac{u^*}{\sqrt{c_\mu}} \frac{y_p}{y_\ell}
\]

(12)

and

\[
\epsilon_p = \frac{u^*}{(K y_p)}
\]

(13)

When \( y_p \leq y_\ell \), the node \( P \) is in the laminar sublayer and one has

\[
k_p = \frac{u^*}{\sqrt{c_\mu}} (y_p / y_\ell)
\]

(14)

and

\[
\epsilon_p = \frac{u^*}{(K y_\ell)}
\]

(15)

where \( c_\mu = 0.09, K (= 0.42) \) is the von Karman constant and \( E (= 9.0) \) is determined from the roughness of the wall.

2.4 Dynamic Test Rigs

In a functional strip caster, there are two counter-rotating rolls. The liquid metal is injected from the nozzle and exit from the nip of the rolls. The nozzle is located at the center between the two rolls, and is submerged into the liquid (figure 3). The shear force is a momentum transport from the rotating rolls to the liquid metal near the rolls. In the numerical model, the shear force \( F_s \) is treated as an external source in the momentum equations and is applied only to the boundary cells that are next to the rolls.
The basic concept for the EMD to provide containment in twin-roll casting is to create a primary time-varying magnetic field that penetrates a passive conductor (the liquid metal to be contained). As the time-varying field changes, an EM force is generated in the plane at right angles to the direction of the changing flux, resulting in a perpendicular current flow within the liquid metal. The induced current interacts with the primary magnetic field to create a body force (Lorentz force) on the liquid metal that repels the conductor away from the source of the primary field and contains the molten metal. The body force on the liquid metal is the vector cross product of the induced current density and the magnetic flux density. The design problem reduces to that of placing a confinement coil or coils so that a desired free-surface shape can be obtained or metal can be confined against a specified static head.

Figure 5 displays a schematic arrangement of one EMD in a test rig configuration, labeled the "Proximity type EMD" [15,16]. A copper conductor is placed parallel to the plane of the desired containment. A large ac current passes through the conductor and is concentrated on the face of the conductor closest to the liquid metal because of the proximity of the conductor to the liquid metal. The ac vertical current creates a horizontal magnetic field. The liquid metal that is to be contained interacts with the magnetic field, and the containment forces are generated. These forces support the liquid metal until it passes the kissing point of the rolls. In this design, a high-permeability lamination material that surrounds the conductor enhances this effect and concentrates the magnetic flux density. The size of the air gap inside the lamination material decreases from bottom (nip) to top and is used to adjust the magnetic field. The copper shield surrounding the lamination material confines the magnetic field. The main parameters of the computational data are summarized in Table 1.
Table 1. Parameters of computational setup

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<td>Operating current (kA)</td>
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<td>Frequency (kHz)</td>
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<td>Dimension of twin-roll nip (m)</td>
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<td>Diameter of roller (m)</td>
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<td>Properties</td>
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<tr>
<td>Density (kg/m³)</td>
<td>8440</td>
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<td>Electric conductivity (S/m)</td>
<td>1.41e+6</td>
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<td>Kinematic viscosity (m²/s)</td>
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<td>Relative permeability</td>
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Table 2. Stored energy and power loss in EMD materials

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<th>Materials</th>
<th>Stored Energy (%)</th>
<th>Power Loss (%)</th>
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<td>Copper Roller</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carbon Steel Tube</td>
<td>60.6</td>
<td>94.6</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carbon Steel Plate</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>4.8</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lamination Material</td>
<td>32.0</td>
<td>0.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Copper Shield</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>0.3</td>
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4 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Figure 6 shows the magnetic flux density component \( B_x \) as a function of vertical distance at the center of a 5-mm air gap with \( I = 3.742 \) kA and \( f = 4.231 \) kHz for the EMD. Computational data are compared with experimental data at several selected locations (at the centerline and 2 and 4 cm to the left of the centerline) when there is no liquid metal (Indalloy) in the containment. The computational results agree well with the measured data along the vertical distance in the air gap.

Table 2 shows the stored energy (integral \( B H/2 \) dv) and power loss (integral \( J^2/\sigma dv \)) of the materials used in EMD applications. The percentage (%) of each material is the ratio to all the materials (five materials in this case). It can be seen from Table 2 that most of power is lost in the carbon steel tube (60.6% for stored energy and 94.6% for power loss) because of its high permeability (Table 1). With high energy consumption and high Joule heating in the carbon steel tube, cooling water is required in this design (Figure 5). However, even with this disadvantage, carbon steel is still used because it can confine the magnetic flux and provide a uniform magnetic field that crosses the liquid metal because of its high permeability and small skin depth. Because most of the magnetic flux density is confined within the skin depth of the carbon steel tube, only a little magnetic flux penetrates into the carbon steel plate and induces low stored energy and power loss. The copper roller and copper shield have low stored energy and low power loss because of their high electric conductivity and low permeability.

Figure 7 shows the distribution of the magnetic flux density vector at a cut plane, 15 cm above the nip, of the EMD (\( I = 13 \) kA, \( f = 4.4 \) kHz) in a twin-roll casting static test rig. In Figure 7, with high permeability in the lamination and low permeability in the copper shield, magnetic flux concentrates in the lamination; then crosses the air gap; locates inside the skin depths of the carbon steel tube, the carbon steel plate, and the Indalloy; and finally returns to the lamination with a closed loop. As seen, under the effect of the periodic current, the conductor generates a variable magnetic field in the system, which, in turn, gives rise to an induced current. Thus, the liquid metal is subject to EM body forces caused by the interaction of the eddy currents and the magnetic field. With these EM forces, liquid
metal could be confined within the mold in the EMD application.

Figure 8 displays profiles of magnetic flux density (8a), induced eddy current (8b), and Lorentz's force (8c) in the liquid metal Indalloy at I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz for the EMD. Any one of these three field vectors is always perpendicular to the others. At the surface of the Indalloy, near the inductor, most of the magnetic flux density, eddy current, and magnetic forces accumulate at a short depth into the Indalloy because of the skin depth effect. The maximum values of flux density, eddy current, and force occur at the nip of the liquid metal because the distance at the nip of the liquid metal is minimal. Maximum magnetic force is necessary to overcome the maximum hydrostatic pressure at the nip. From the design point view, it is also necessary that the induced magnetic force be large enough to overcome the hydrostatic pressure of the liquid metal and to confine the liquid metal inside the container.

Figure 9 presents the free surface profile of the liquid metal Indalloy in a twin-roll casting test rig with an EMD (I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz). The volume fraction method was introduced to track the free interface between the liquid metal and the air gap. The shape of the free surface is governed primarily by the balance of EM pressures against pressures due to gravity. With the capability to predict free surface shape, the design problem reduces to that of placing a conducting coil or coils so that a desired free surface can be obtained or that metal can be confined against a specified static head.

\[
\begin{align*}
(a) & \quad B_{\text{max}} = 1.28 \, \text{T} \\
& \quad B_{\text{min}} = 5.3e-6 \, \text{T} \\
(b) & \quad J_{\text{max}} = 1.22e+8 \, \text{A m}^{-2} \\
& \quad J_{\text{min}} = 5830 \, \text{A m}^{-2} \\
(c) & \quad F_{\text{max}} = 1.5e+8 \, \text{nt/m}^3 \\
& \quad F_{\text{min}} = 0.06 \, \text{nt/m}^3
\end{align*}
\]

Figure 8. Field distribution in liquid Indalloy at I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz: (a) magnetic flux density, (b) eddy current, and (c) magnetic force.
Figure 10 displays the velocity profile of the liquid metal Indalloy under EM fields (I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz). The circulation flow pattern is induced by EM fields and gravity, and the velocity is transported inside the liquid metal by fluid viscosity, especially by turbulence viscosity. The maximum velocity (4.47 m/s) occurs at the nip of the liquid metal, near the inductor, because of the maximum magnetic force at that location.

Figures 11a and 11b show the confinement of the liquid metal Indalloy for operating currents of I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz, and I = 18 kA, f = 4.4 kHz, respectively, in a twin-roll casting static test rig. Figures 11a and 11b are the free surface shapes observed from a vertical cut plane through the center of the liquid metal. In Figure 11a, with I = 13 kA, the top of the pool barely touches the magnet at the locations that are close to the surface of the roller. Here, the top does not mean the height at the liquid-metal head, which is 25 cm above the nip, but a height = 18-22 cm above the nip. In other words, liquid metal may touch the magnet near the roller surface at a height of = 18-22 cm, and above 22 cm, it is pushed far away from the magnet. Below 18 cm, liquid metal is well contained. In the Fig. 11b with a stronger current (I = 18 kA) in the coil, liquid metal is contained everywhere. The push-back distance of liquid Indalloy from the face of the EMD under EM force is shown in Table 3 for the case when I = 18 kA, f = 4.4 kHz. The information included in Table 3 and Figures 11a and 11b was obtained from the computer model and can be used to optimize the caster design for a commercial device.

Figure 9. Free surface of liquid Indalloy in twin-roll casting with EMD

Figure 10. Velocity profile of liquid Indalloy in twin-roll casting with EMD

Figure 11. Liquid metal (Indalloy) confinement for operating currents (a) I = 13 kA, f = 4.4 kHz, and (b) I = 18 kA, f = 4.4 kHz
Table 3 Computer-modeled push-back distance of liquid stainless steel (AISI 304) from magnetic dam face at I = 23.5 kA and f = 1.6 kHz (Tests 3)

<table>
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<th>Height of liquid metal above the nip (cm)</th>
<th>Nip</th>
<th>5</th>
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<td>Calculated push-back distance (mm)</td>
<td>24.7</td>
<td>24.7</td>
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<td>19.3</td>
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<td>Measured push-back distance (mm)</td>
<td>27.5</td>
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Table 3 shows both computed and measured values of push-back distance at the centerline of liquid pool (AISI 304) from the EMD face when I = 23.5 kA, f = 1.6 kHz. The results show that the calculated push-back distances are slightly smaller than the measured. This is because the experimental data were measured in the static conditions and the force caused by metal feeding was not included. The information in Table 3 was obtained from the computer model and can be used to optimize the caster design for a commercial device.

5 SUMMARY

Numerical simulations of the EM fields and the fluid flows within liquid metal have been performed for a thin-strip twin-roll casting with an EMD. The coupling of a 3-D EM code (ELEKTRA) and a 3-D thermal hydraulic code (CaPS-EM) provided encouraging consistency and a reasonably accurate prediction of the flow pattern, free surface shape, and EMD containment. The developed computer model is capable of predicting EM fields, eddy currents, free surface, and fluid flows, and providing a better understanding of EM casters. The model presented here demonstrates the feasibility of full-face containment by the EMD under both static and dynamic operating conditions.

The follow-up work on this research will be the development of a 3-D model for two-way coupled-field analysis. The iteration between EM fields and fluid flows will be included in the model. An analysis of heat transfer and induction heat will be required in order to gain an understanding of solidification behavior in the process. A modeling for surface cracks during solidification of liquid metal in twin-roll casting will be developed to optimize the design of the electromagnetic twin-roll caster.

REFERENCES


**NOMENCLATURE**

- A: Surface area of rolls (m²)
- B: Magnetic flux density (T)
- C: Constant characterizing the roughness of a boundary surface
- cMHD: MHD constant in k-ε model
- c1ε: Constant of turbulence production
- c2ε: Constant of turbulence dissipation
- E: Electric field strength (V/m)
- F: Electromagnetic body force (N)
- Fw: Shear force (N)
- f: Frequency (s⁻¹)
- g: Production or suppression of turbulence kinetic energy due to buoyancy (J/s-m³)
- g: Acceleration of gravity (m/s²)
- H: Magnetic field strength (A/m)
- h: Depth of the meniscus concavity (m)
- J: Current density (A/m²)
- K: von Karman constant
- k: Turbulence kinetic energy (m²/s²)
- Pk: Mean production in k and ε equations
(J/s·m\(^3\))

\(p\) Pressure (N/m\(^2\))
\(t\) Time (s)
\(U\) Mean flow velocity/Characteristic velocity (m/s)
\(u^*\) Friction velocity (m/s)
\(v\) Volume (m\(^3\))
\(x_i\) Coordinate system (m)
\(\gamma_1\) Thickness of laminar sublayer (m)
\(\gamma_p\) Distance of node P from the wall (m)

**Greek**

\(\sigma\) Fluid electric conductivity (S/m)
\(\sigma_h\) (\(= 0.9\)) Turbulence Prandtl number for conductivity
\(\sigma_k\) (\(= 1.0\)) Turbulence Prandtl number for \(k\)
\(\sigma_\varepsilon\) (\(= 1.3\)) Turbulence Prandtl number for \(\varepsilon\)
\(\rho\) Density (kg/m\(^3\))
\(\varepsilon\) Dissipation of turbulence kinetic energy (W/kg)
\(\mu_\ell\) Laminar viscosity (kg/m·s)
\(\mu_t\) Turbulent viscosity (kg/m·s)
\(\mu_{\text{eff}}\) Effective viscosity (kg/m·s)

**Indices**

\(i\) Free or dummy index
\(j\) Free or dummy index
\(\ell\) Laminar
\(t\) Turbulence