



TP A.25

The relationship between spin-rate-factor and percent-English

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Refer to the drawings in TP A.12 and A.22 for an illustration of the variables.

From TP A.12, defining the "natural roll" rate as $\omega_r = v/R$, the spin rate factor (SRF) is defined by:

$$\text{SRF} = \frac{\omega}{\omega_r} = \frac{5}{2} \left(\frac{x}{R} \right) \quad \overset{\text{www}}{R} := \frac{2.25 \cdot \text{in}}{2} \quad \text{SRF}(x) := \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{R}$$

From TP A.22, the maximum recommended tip offset for maximum English is $x = R/2$, and the percentage English (PE) is defined by:

$$\text{PE} = 2 \left(\frac{x}{R} \right) \cdot 100\% \quad \text{PE}(x) := 2 \left(\frac{x}{R} \right) \cdot 100\%$$

Therefore, SRF and PE are related by:

$$\text{PE} = \frac{4}{5} \cdot \text{SRF} \cdot 100\% \quad \text{SRF} = \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{\text{PE}}{100\%}$$

At the maximum recommended tip offset:

$$x := \frac{R}{2} \quad \text{PE}(x) = 100\% \quad \text{SRF}(x) = 1.25$$