

Introduction to Compressible Flows

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Introduction to Compressible flows

- **Definition:** A compressible flow is a flow with *variable density*

Compressibility of fluid: $\tau = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d\rho}{dp}$

The compressibility is normally defined either at constant temperature or at constant entropy.

Compressibility of water (STP): $5 \cdot 10^{-10} Pa^{-1}$

Compressibility of air (STP): $1 \cdot 10^{-5} Pa^{-1}$

$$d\rho = \tau \rho dp$$

$$dp = -\frac{1}{2} \rho d(u^2) \Rightarrow d\rho = -\tau \rho^2 d(u^2)$$

Introduction to Compressible flows

- **Compressible flow techniques are important for**
 - Flows near nozzles in gas and steam turbines
 - Flows through valves, intake, exhaust in reciprocating engines
 - Natural gas transmission lines
 - Combustion chambers
 - Aircraft
 - Space shuttle
 - Rockets

Introduction to Compressible flows

- Compressibility is a measure of density change by a change in pressure.
 - Liquids have a low compressibility.
 - Gases are usually compressible.
- Many industrial and daily life flows are subject to small pressure and density change and can thus be considered as being incompressible.
- For compressible flows, temperature has a significant influence on the flow and is an intrinsic part of the analysis.
- Thermodynamics is a prerequisite for all analyses

Basic Thermodynamic Properties

- Ideal gas law:

$$p = \rho RT$$

$$R = \mathfrak{R} / M; \quad \mathfrak{R} = 8312.3 \text{ J / (kmol} \cdot \text{K)}$$

- Specific heats:

$$c_p(T) = \left. \frac{\partial h}{\partial T} \right|_p; \quad c_v = \left. \frac{\partial e}{\partial T} \right|_v$$

- Calorically perfect gas: c_v and c_p are constants
- Ratio of specific heats: $\gamma \equiv c_p / c_v$

$$p = \rho RT \Rightarrow \frac{p}{\rho} = RT; \quad h \equiv e + \frac{p}{\rho} = e + RT \Rightarrow c_p = c_v + R$$

$$c_p = \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma - 1}; \quad c_v = \frac{R}{\gamma - 1}$$

Basic Thermodynamic Properties

- Entropy (reversible process): $\delta Q = T \delta S$

$$dE = dQ + dW = TdS - pdv$$

$$dh = Tds + 1/\rho dp = c_p dT \Rightarrow$$

$$ds = \frac{c_p dT}{T} - \frac{1}{\rho T} dp = \frac{c_p dT}{T} - \frac{R}{p} dp$$

$$s = c_p \ln \left(T / p^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right) + const$$

$$s_2 - s_1 = c_p \ln \left[\frac{T_2}{T_1} \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right]$$

Basic Thermodynamic Properties

- For an isentropic (adiabatic and reversible process) flow the entropy is constant

$$Tds = de - \frac{p}{\rho^2} d\rho = c_v dT - \frac{p}{\rho^2} d\rho = 0$$

$$Tds = dh - \frac{1}{\rho} dp = c_p dT - \frac{1}{\rho} dp = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right)_s = \frac{dp}{d\rho} = \frac{\gamma p}{\rho} \Rightarrow \frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = \text{const}$$

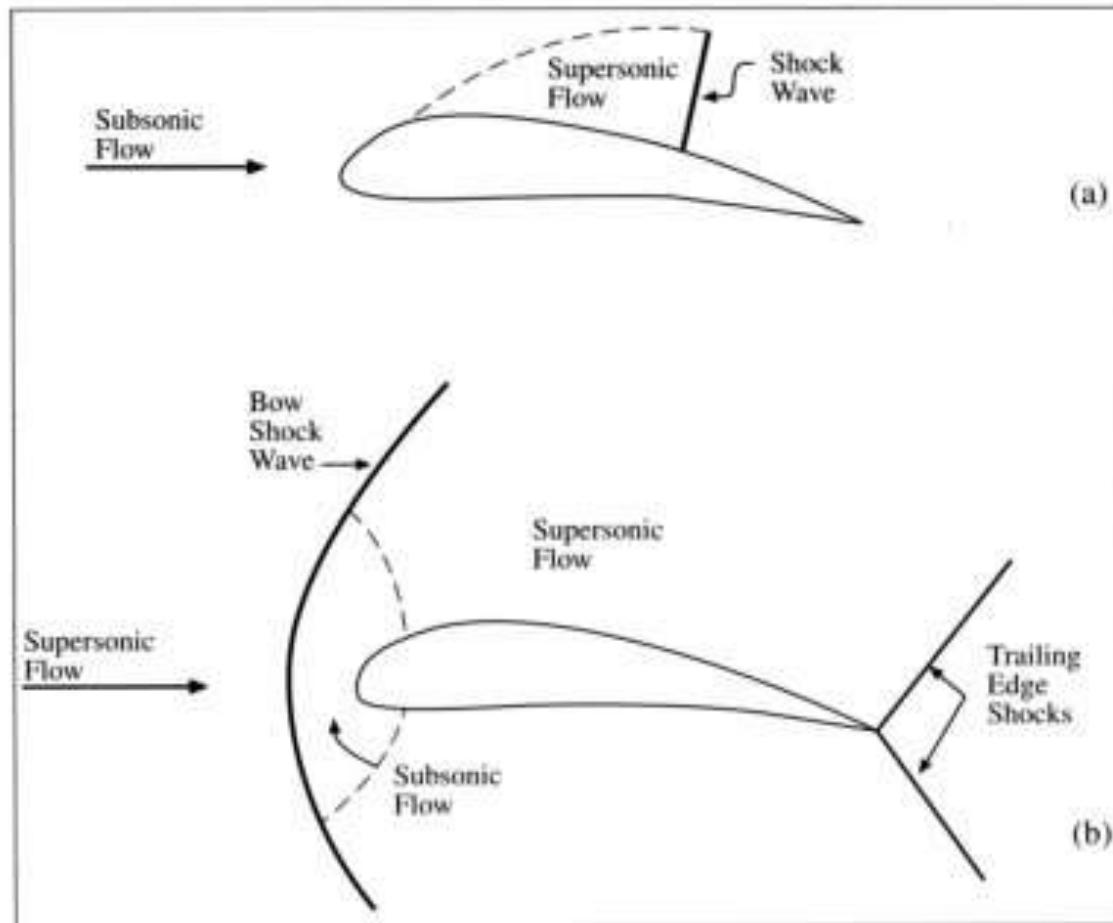
Speed of Sound

- Speed of sound: $a^2 \equiv \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right)_s$
- Alternatively: $a^2 = \gamma \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right)_T$
- For a calorically perfect gas: $a = \sqrt{\gamma p / \rho} = \sqrt{\gamma RT}$
- Mach number: $M \equiv V / a$
- Speed of sound (STP)
 - Water: 1480 m/s
 - Air: 340 m/s

Mach number regimes

- Mach number: $M \equiv V / a$
 - $M < 0.3$ incompressible
 - $M < 1$ subsonic
 - $M = 1$ transonic
 - $M > 1$ supersonic
 - $M > 5$ hypersonic

Shock Waves on Airfoil



Acoustic waves in compressible flows

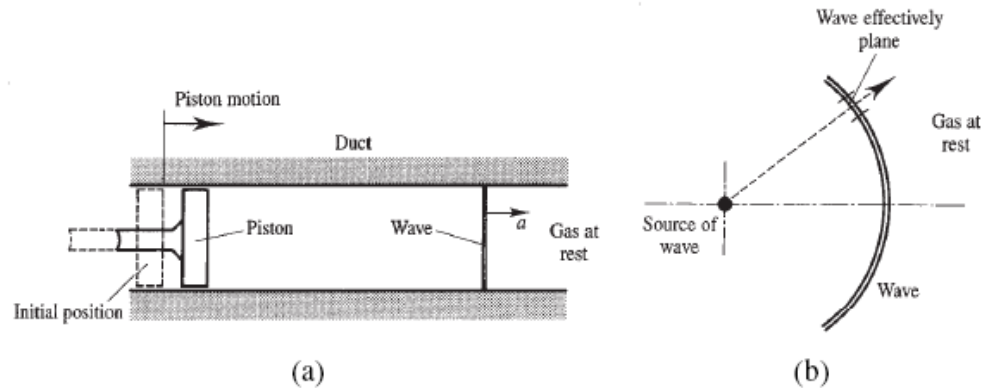


Figure 1: Weak pressure waves generated by (a) the motion of a piston in a duct (plane wave) and (b) by a point source (spherical wave).

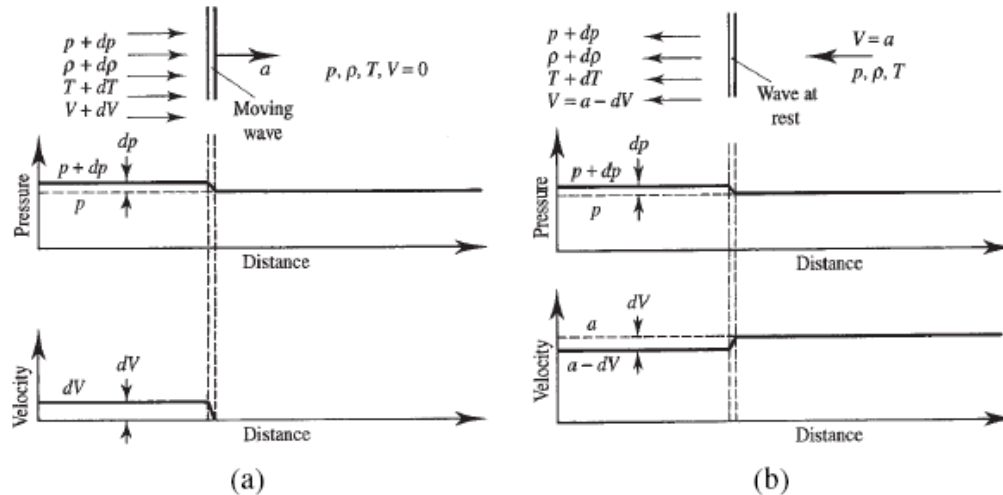


Figure 2: Changes through a propagating weak pressure wave (a) in a fixed coordinate system and (b) relative to the weak pressure wave.

Acoustic waves in compressible flows

- Conservation of mass in the CV:

$$\frac{\dot{m}}{A} = \rho a = (\rho + d\rho)(a - dV) \Rightarrow d\rho = \frac{\rho}{a} dV$$

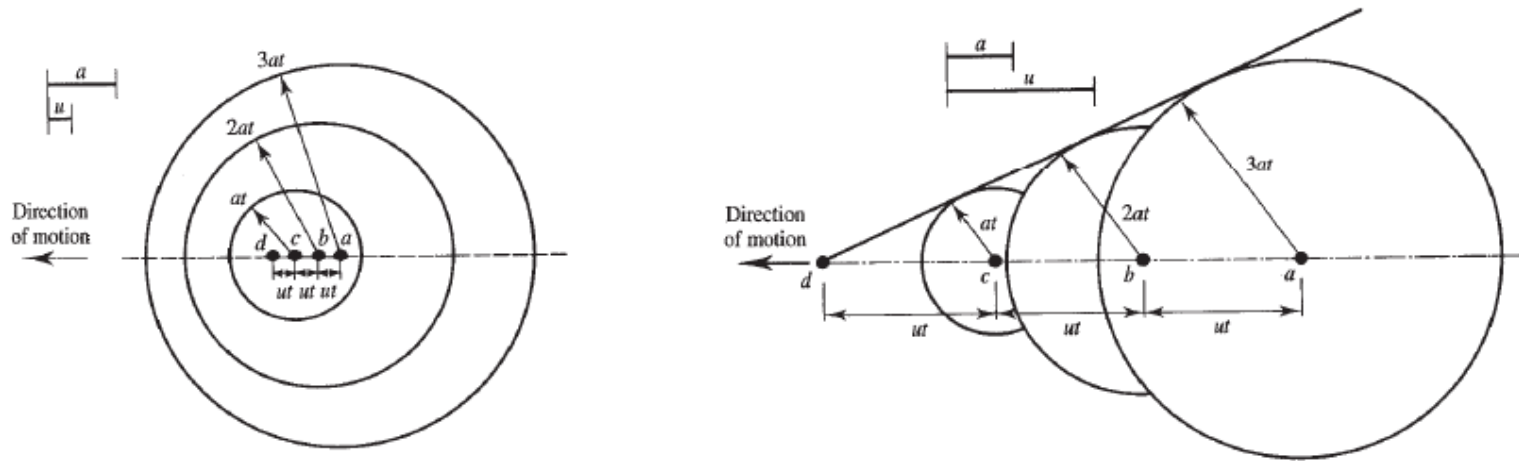
- Conservation of momentum:

$$p - (p + dp) = \left(\frac{\dot{m}}{A}\right) [(a - dV) - a] \Rightarrow dp = \rho a dV$$

- Combing the two gives

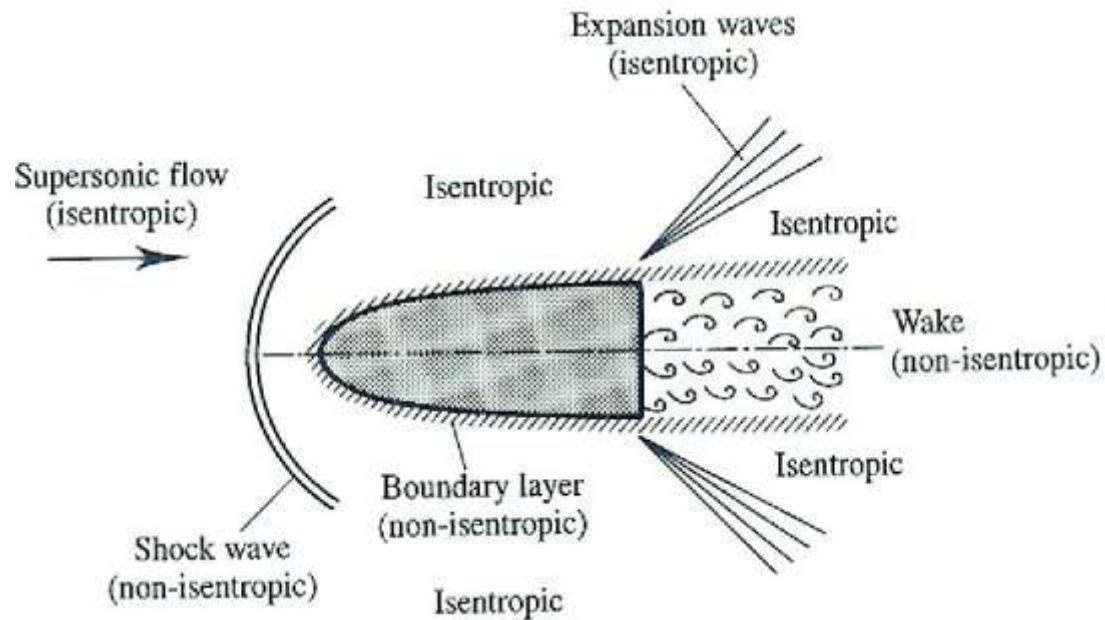
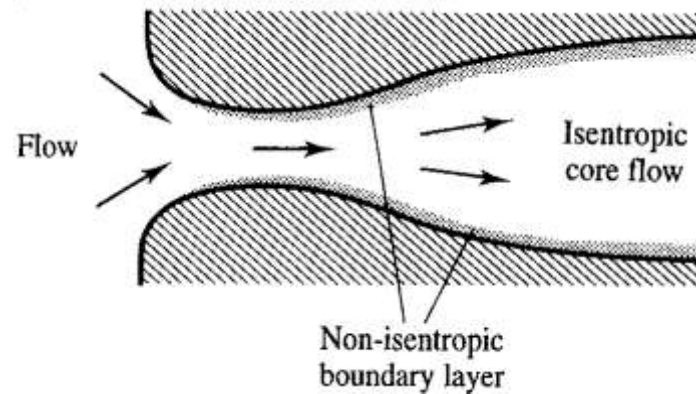
$$\frac{dp}{d\rho} = a^2$$

Acoustic waves in compressible flows



- Mach angle: $\sin \alpha = \frac{a}{V} = \frac{1}{M}$

1D isentropic compressible flows



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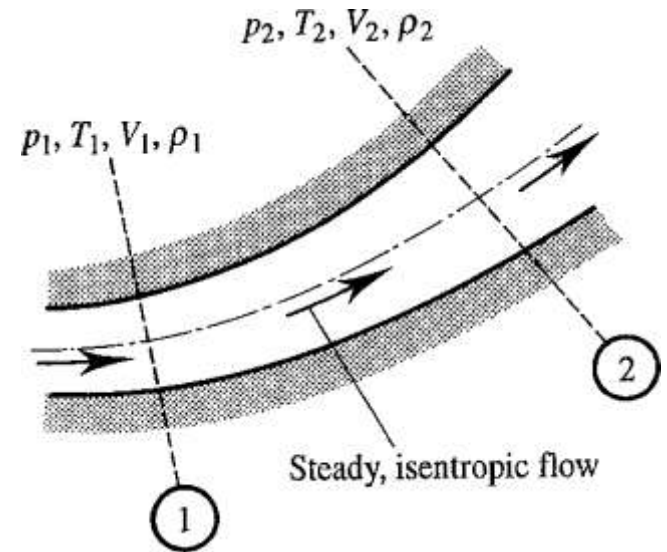
- Isentropic relation (1): $\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \right)^\gamma$

- Ideal gas law (2):

$$\frac{p_1}{\rho_1 T_1} = \frac{p_2}{\rho_2 T_2} \Rightarrow \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{p_2}{p_1} \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2}$$

- (1)+(2) gives

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} = \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \right)^{\gamma-1}$$



1D isentropic compressible flows

- Energy equation (adiabatic) :

$$\frac{dQ}{dm} + \frac{dW}{dm} = \left(h + \frac{1}{2}V^2 + \cancel{gz} \right)_2 - \left(h + \frac{1}{2}V^2 + \cancel{gz} \right)_1$$



$$c_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = c_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2} \Rightarrow c_p T_1 \left(1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2c_p T_1} \right) = c_p T_2 \left(1 + \frac{V_2^2}{2c_p T_2} \right)$$

- As $\frac{V^2}{2c_p T} = \frac{(\gamma-1)V^2}{2\gamma RT} = \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \frac{V^2}{a^2} = \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M^2$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_1^2}{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_2^2}$$

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \left(\frac{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_1^2}{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_2^2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$$

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \left(\frac{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_1^2}{1 + (\gamma-1)/2 M_2^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}$$

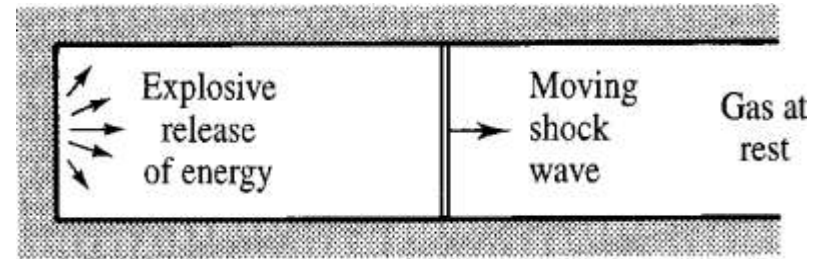
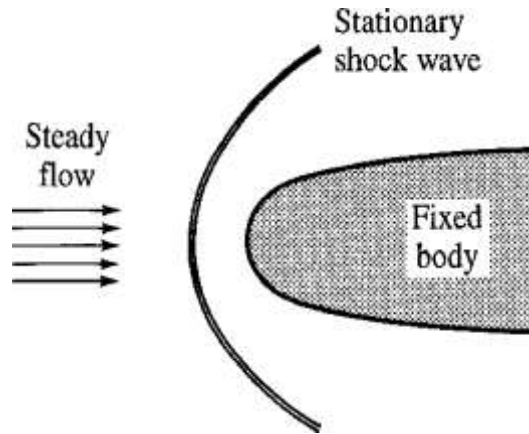
1D isentropic compressible flows

- Continuity equation: $\rho_1 V_1 A_1 = \rho_2 V_2 A_2$



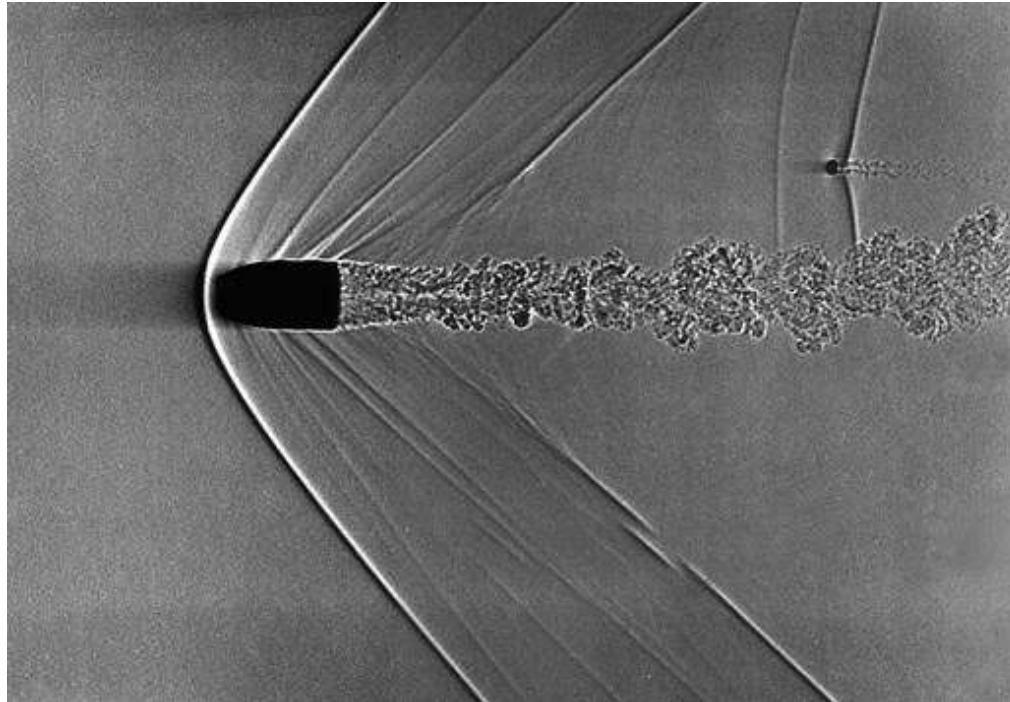
$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{\rho_2 V_2}{\rho_1 V_1} = \frac{M_2}{M_1} \left(\frac{1 + (\gamma - 1) / 2 M_1^2}{1 + (\gamma - 1) / 2 M_2^2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

Introduction to shock waves



- The high pressure cannot propagate as weak pressure.
- Instead it creates sudden change or discontinuity in pressure and velocity.
- The thickness of a shock wave is about 4 mean free paths ($0.2\mu\text{m}$),
 \Rightarrow it is treated as a discontinuity.

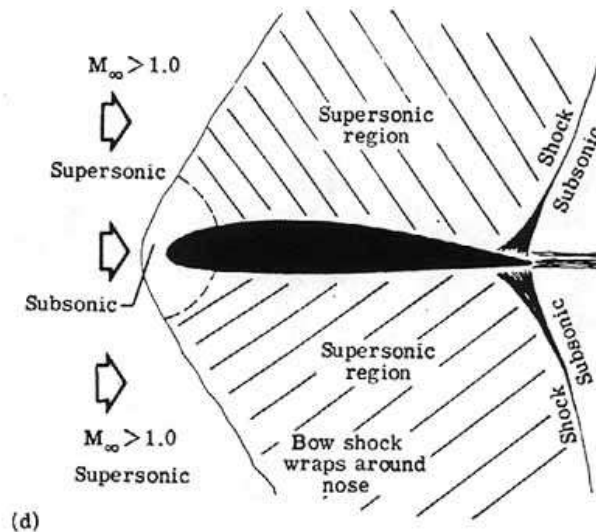
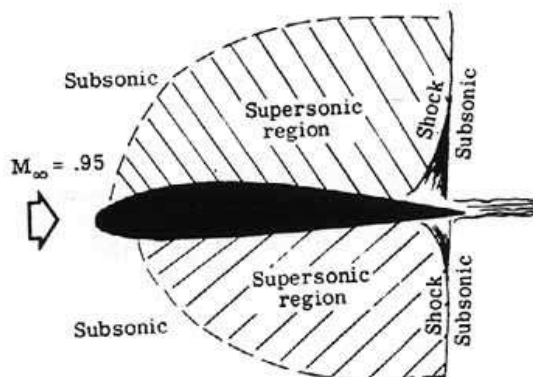
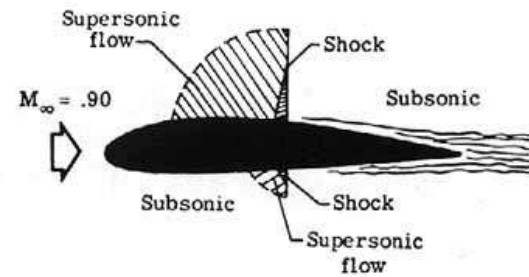
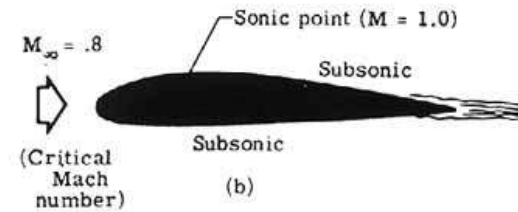
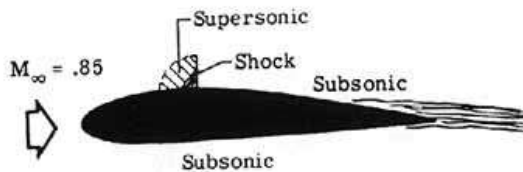
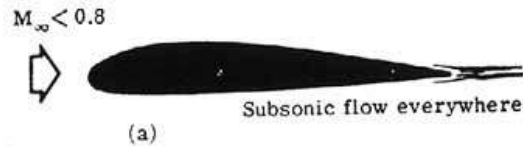
Example of compressible flow with shock



A bullet traveling through air at about 1.5 times the speed of sound

Shock Wave Formation on Airfoil

Shock wave formation
(leads to wave drag)



Normal shock: Basic relations

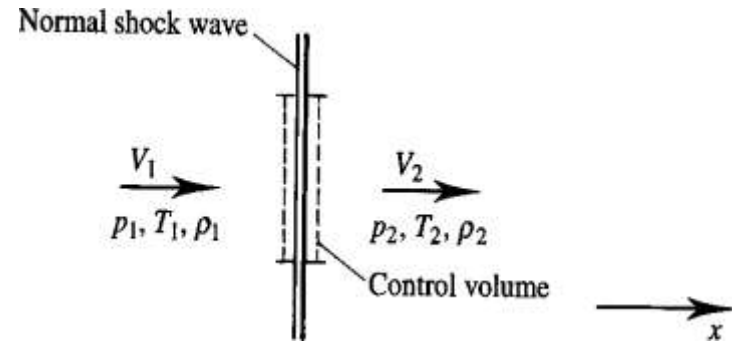
- Conservation of mass:

$$\frac{\dot{m}}{A} = \rho_1 V_1 = \rho_2 V_2$$

- Conservation of momentum:

$$p_1 A - p_2 A = \dot{m}(V_2 - V_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow p_1 - p_2 &= \rho_1 V_1 (V_2 - V_1) \\ &= \rho_2 V_2 (V_2 - V_1) \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} V_1 V_2 - V_1^2 &= \frac{p_1 - p_2}{\rho_1} \\ V_2^2 - V_1 V_2 &= \frac{p_1 - p_2}{\rho_2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow V_2^2 - V_1^2 = (p_1 - p_2) \left(\frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right)$$

Normal shock: Basic relations

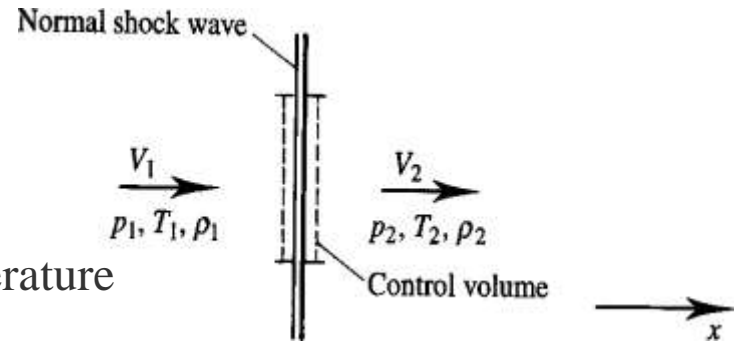
- Conservation of energy:

$$c_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = c_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2} = c_p T_0 = \text{const}$$

Stagnation temperature

$$\rightarrow \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_1}{\rho_1} + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_2}{\rho_2} + \frac{V_2^2}{2}$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{V_2^2 - V_1^2 = \frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} \left(\frac{p_1}{\rho_1} - \frac{p_2}{\rho_2} \right)}$$



- (Momentum)+(Energy)

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_2}{p_1} + 1 \right]}{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} + \frac{p_2}{p_1} \right]}}$$

p_2/p_1 : strength of the shock wave

Normal shock: Basic relations

- Conservation of mass or continuity:

$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_2}{p_1} + 1 \right]}{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} + \frac{p_2}{p_1} \right]}$$

- Perfect gas law:

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{p_2}{p_1} \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} = \frac{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} + \frac{p_2}{p_1} \right]}{\left[\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1} + \frac{p_1}{p_2} \right]}$$

These expressions are referred to as the Rankine-Hugoniot normal shock wave relations.

Normal shock in terms of Mach number

- The ratio of density is:
$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{(\gamma + 1)M_1^2}{2 + (\gamma - 1)M_1^2}$$

- The ratio of temperature is:

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{[2\gamma M_1^2 - (\gamma - 1)][2 + (\gamma - 1)M_1^2]}{(\gamma + 1)^2 M_1^2}$$

- The ratio of sound speed is determined as

$$\frac{a_2}{a_1} = \frac{\sqrt{[2\gamma M_1^2 - (\gamma - 1)][2 + (\gamma - 1)M_1^2]}}{(\gamma + 1)M_1} \quad (**)$$

Normal shock in terms of Mach number

- The downstream Mach number is found from the energy relation.

$$c_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2} = c_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{a_2^2}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{V_2^2}{2} = \frac{a_1^2}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{V_1^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{a_2^2}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{V_2^2}{2} = \frac{a_1^2}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{V_1^2}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{a_2^2}{a_1^2} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_2^2\right) = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_1^2\right)$$

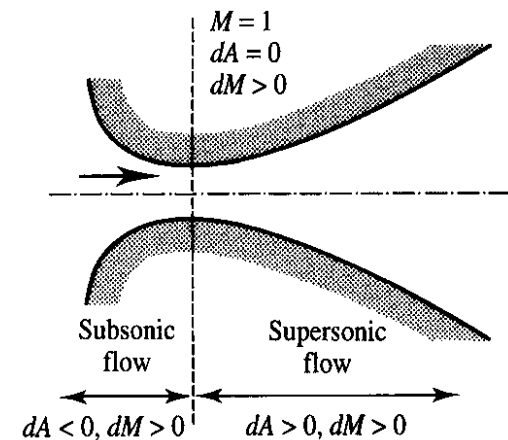
Using (**), we get

$$M_2^2 = \frac{2 + (\gamma - 1)M_1^2}{2\gamma M_1^2 - (\gamma - 1)}$$

Area variation: Convergent –divergent nozzle

Flow in a duct or stream tube with varying cross-section

- Engineering applications:
 - Flow in the nozzle of a rocket engine
 - Flow in a blade passage of a turbo-machine
 - Flow in a supersonic tunnel
- Quasi-1D assumption
- Flow is isentropic except at shock waves



Area variation: Basic relations

- Continuity equation: mass flow rate = const

$$\rho VA = \text{const} \Rightarrow \frac{d(\rho VA)}{\rho VA} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \boxed{\frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dV}{V} + \frac{dA}{A} = 0}$$

- Energy conservation: total energy = const

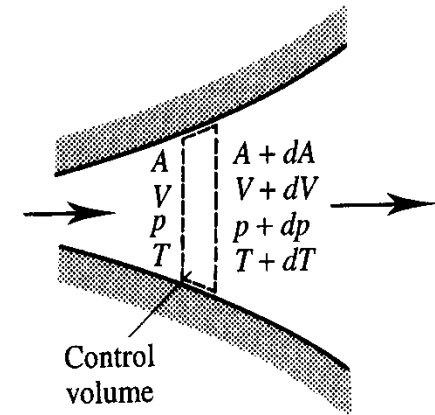
$$c_p T + \frac{V^2}{2} = \text{const} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \boxed{c_p dT + V dV = 0}$$

- Perfect gas law: $p = \rho RT$

$$\boxed{\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{d(\rho RT)}{\rho RT} = \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dT}{T}}$$

- Isentropic relation: $p/\rho^\gamma = \text{const}$

$$\boxed{\frac{dp}{p} = \frac{\gamma d\rho}{\rho}}$$

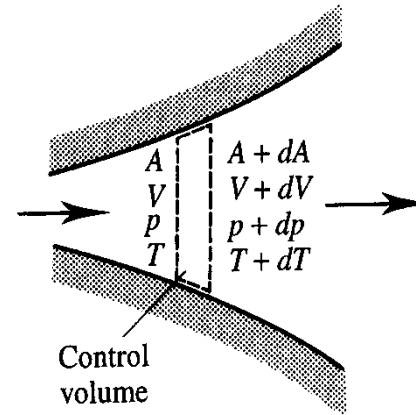


Area variation: Basic relations

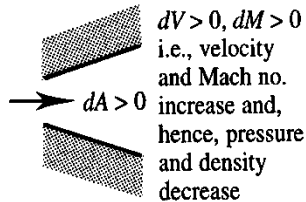
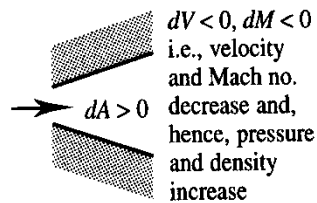
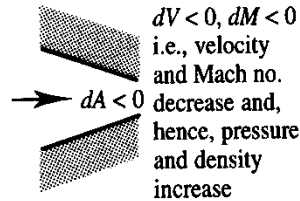
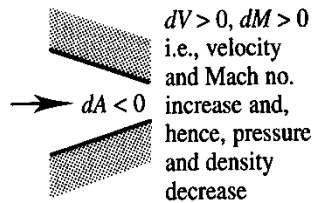
$$\frac{d\rho}{\rho} = -M^2 \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$\frac{dM}{M} = \left[1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M^2 \right] \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$\frac{dA}{A} = (M^2 - 1) \frac{dV}{V}$$



Area variation: Basic relations



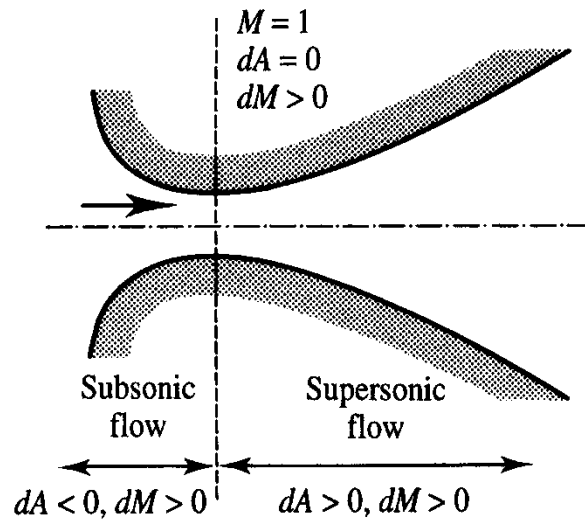
subsonic

supersonic

$$\frac{dA}{A} = (M^2 - 1) \frac{dV}{V}$$

1. If $M < 1$ or subsonic flow, we have $dA \square dV < 0$
2. If $M > 1$ or supersonic flow, we have $dA \square dV > 0$
3. If $M = 1$ or transonic flow, we have $dA = 0$

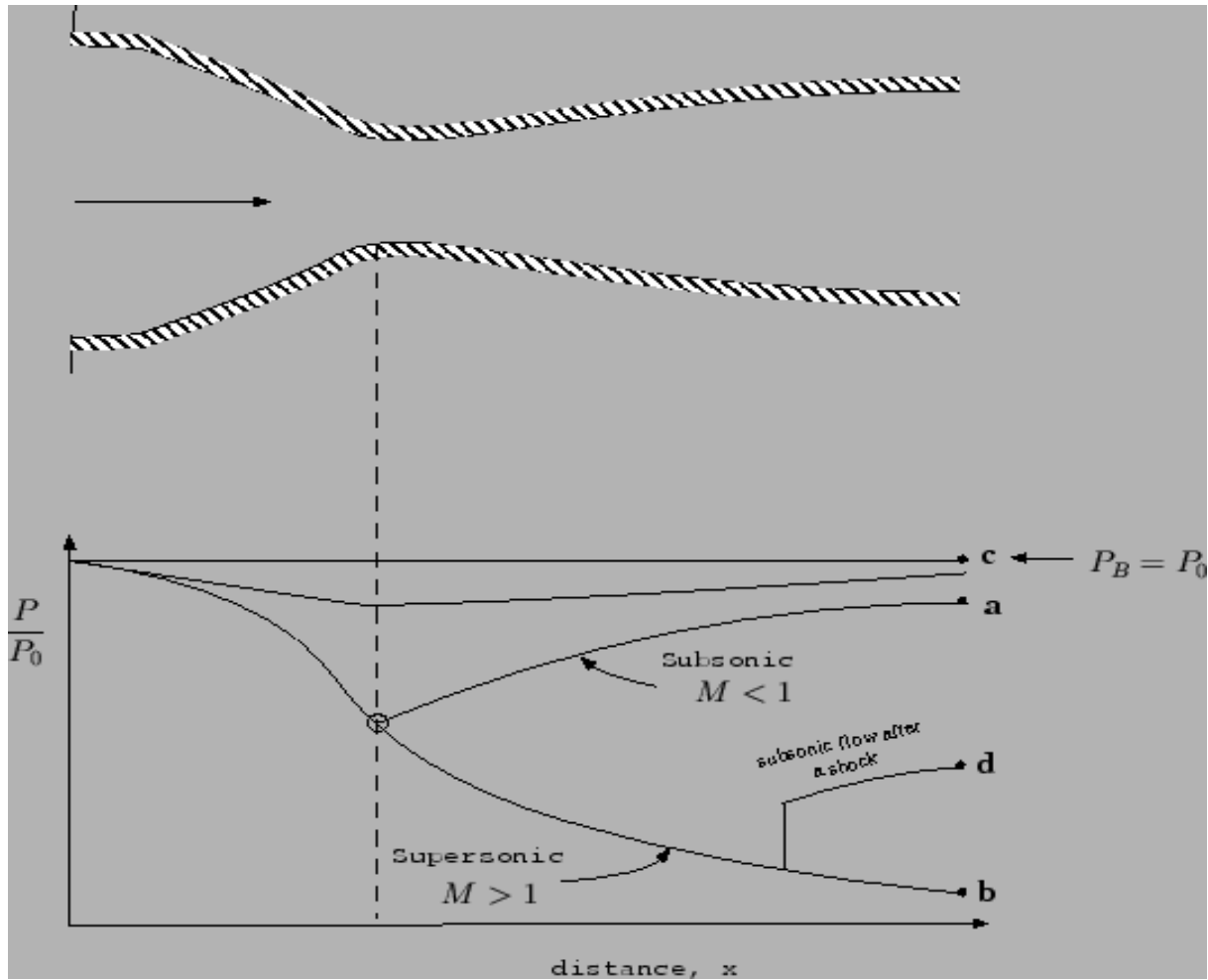
Area variation: Supersonic flow



$$\frac{dA}{A} = (M^2 - 1) \frac{dV}{V}$$

- Convergent-divergent duct

Converging-diverging nozzle



Adiabatic flow with friction: Fanno line flow

Momentum equation: $\frac{\pi}{4}D^2 \cdot \Delta(p + \rho u^2) + \pi D \Delta x \cdot \tau_w = 0$

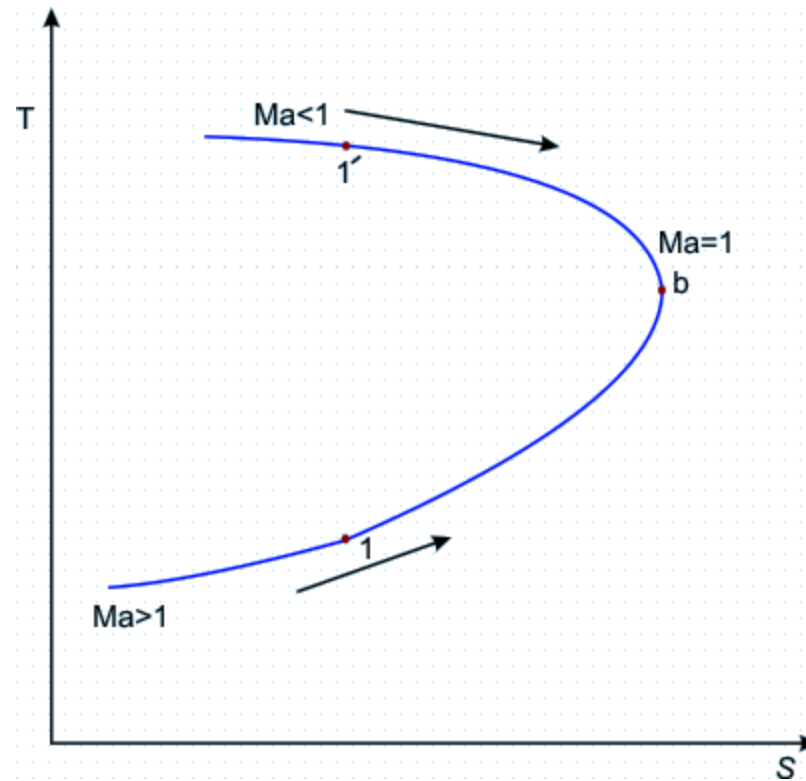
Darcy friction factor: $f = \frac{8\tau_w}{\rho u^2}$

After some manipulations:

$$\left[-\frac{1}{\gamma M^2} - \frac{\gamma+1}{2\gamma} \ln \left(\frac{M^2}{1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M^2} \right) \right]_{M_1}^{M_2} = \int_{X_1}^{X_2} \frac{f}{D} dx$$

$$\frac{p_{01}}{p_{02}} = \frac{M_1}{M_2} \left[\frac{2 + (\gamma-1)M_2^2}{2 + (\gamma-1)M_1^2} \right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}$$

Adiabatic flow with friction: Fanno line flow



Flow with heat exchange: Rayleigh line flow

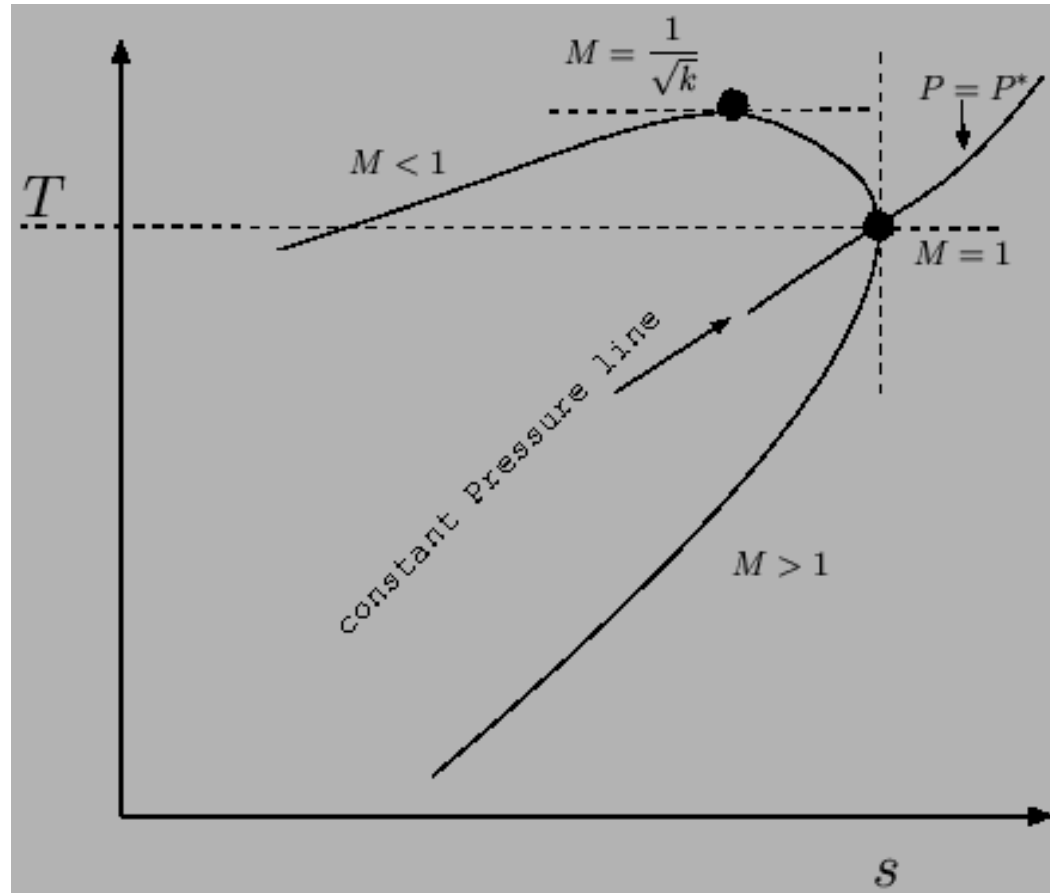
Added heat: $q = c_p(T_{02} - T_{01})$

We get

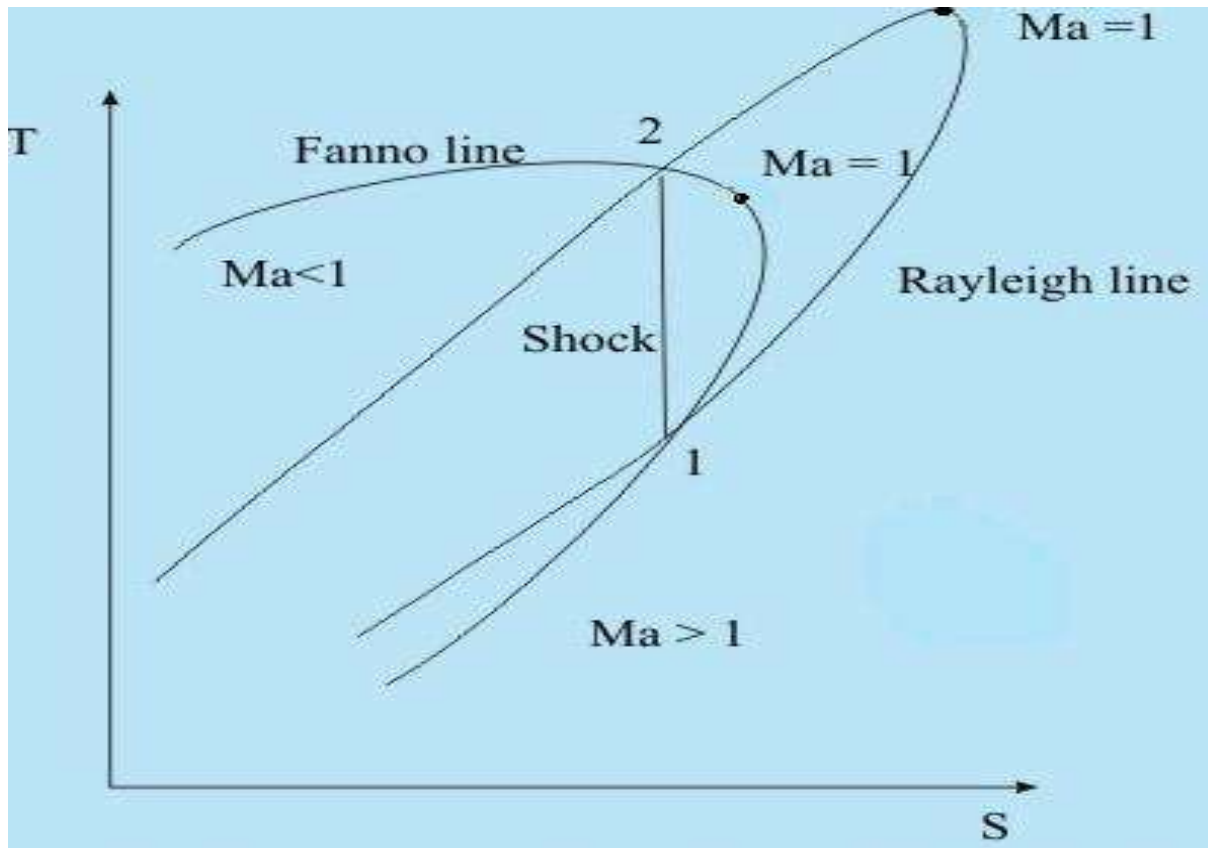
$$s_2 - s_1 = c_p \ln \left[\frac{T_2}{T_1} \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right]$$

$$\frac{p_{02}}{p_{01}} = \frac{1 + \gamma M_1^2}{1 + \gamma M_2^2} \left[\frac{1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M_2^2}{1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M_1^2} \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$$

Flow with heat exchange: Rayleigh line flow



Location of Shock for $M > 1$



It is easily shown that a possible shock will be located at the intersection between Fanno line and Rayleigh line

The velocity potential equation

Assume zero vorticity:

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \nabla \times \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{0}$$

Introduce velocity potential:

$$\mathbf{V} = \nabla \Phi$$

Continuity equation:

$$\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{V}) = 0$$

Bernoulli equation:

$$a^2 d\rho = dp = -\rho V dV = -\frac{1}{2} \rho d\left(\Phi_x^2 + \Phi_y^2 + \Phi_z^2\right)$$

Combining the equations, we get

$$\left(1 - \frac{\Phi_x^2}{a^2}\right) \Phi_{xx} + \left(1 - \frac{\Phi_y^2}{a^2}\right) \Phi_{yy} + \left(1 - \frac{\Phi_z^2}{a^2}\right) \Phi_{zz} - 2 \frac{\Phi_x \Phi_y}{a^2} \Phi_{xy} - 2 \frac{\Phi_x \Phi_z}{a^2} \Phi_{xz} - 2 \frac{\Phi_y \Phi_z}{a^2} \Phi_{yz} = 0$$

The velocity potential equation

Speed of sound: $a^2 = a_0^2 - \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} (\Phi_x^2 + \Phi_y^2 + \Phi_z^2)$

The small perturbation equation:

$$\mathbf{V} = (U_\infty + u', v', w')$$

$$\mathbf{V}' = \nabla \phi$$

$$\left(1 - M_\infty^2\right) \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

The full compressible flow equations

- Conservation of Mass (Continuity equation)

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \rho \operatorname{div}\vec{V} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial t} + \operatorname{div}\rho\vec{V} = 0$$

- Conservation of Momentum

$$\rho \frac{D\vec{V}}{Dt} = \rho \vec{g} - \nabla p + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) + \delta_{ij} \lambda \operatorname{div}\vec{V} \right]$$

- Conservation of Energy

$$\rho \frac{Dh}{Dt} = \frac{Dp}{Dt} + \operatorname{div}(k\nabla T) + \tau'_{ij} \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}$$

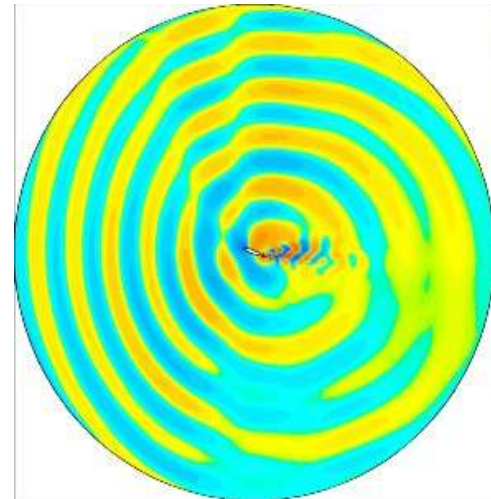
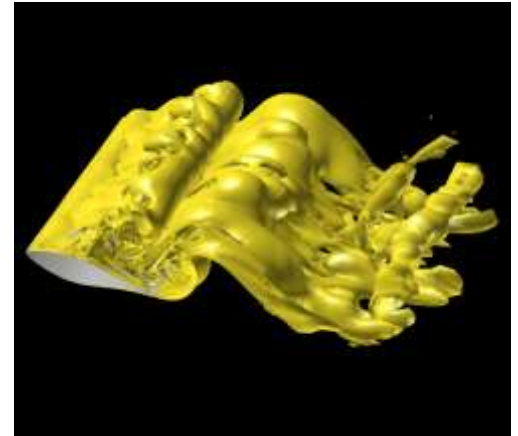
or, alternatively,

$$\rho c_p \frac{DT}{Dt} = \beta T \frac{Dp}{Dt} + \operatorname{div}(k\nabla T) + \Phi$$

Aero-acoustic (CAA) Modelling

Basic Principles:

- Flow divided into incompressible and acoustic part
- Model integrated with flow solver
- Covers generation as well as emission of noise
- Valid for both laminar and turbulent flows
- Compact high-order schemes introduced



Aeroacoustics: Splitting approach

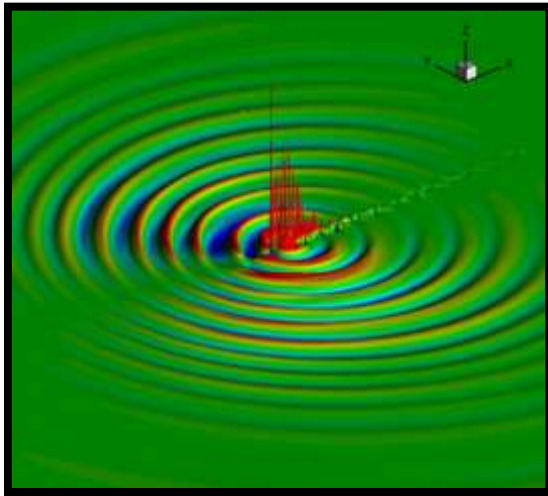
$$\frac{\partial \rho^*}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_i} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[f_i (\bar{U}_j + u_j^*) + \rho_0 \bar{U}_i u_j^* + \left(p^* + \frac{2}{3} \rho^* k \right) \delta_{ij} \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\rho^* v_t \left(\frac{\partial \bar{U}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{U}_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial p^*}{\partial t} - c^2 \frac{\partial \rho^*}{\partial t} = - \frac{\partial \bar{P}}{\partial t}$$

$$f_i = \rho u_i^* + \rho^* \bar{U}_i \quad c^2 = \frac{\gamma (\bar{P} + p^*)}{\rho_0 + \rho^*}$$

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Turbulent flow past airfoil

