

Fundamentals of Space Science and Technology Homework 2

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Consider a gasdynamic flow normal to a simple shock wave as shown on class. Assume that $\gamma = \frac{5}{3}$ and that the flow is time-independent.

1 Derive the Density Ratio Across the Shock

Using the time-independent gasdynamic theory to verify that the density jump across the shock wave is given by:

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{u_1}{u_2} = \frac{(\gamma + 1)M^2}{(\gamma - 1)M^2 + 2}$$

where:

$$M = \frac{u_1}{v_s} \quad \text{and} \quad v_s = \left(\frac{\gamma p_1}{\rho_1} \right)^{1/2}$$

By mass conservation

$$\rho_1 u_1 = \rho_2 u_2 := a$$

By impulse theorem

$$P_1 S \Delta t - P_2 S \Delta t = \rho_1 u_1 \Delta t (u_2 - u_1)$$

$$P_1 + \rho_1 u_1^2 = P_2 + \rho_1 u_1 u_2$$

$$P_1 + \rho_1 u_1^2 = P_2 + \rho_2 u_1^2 := b$$

By energy conservation

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + \epsilon_1 + \frac{P_1}{\rho_1} \right) \rho_1 u_1 = \left(\frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + \epsilon_2 + \frac{P_2}{\rho_2} \right) \rho_2 u_2$$
$$\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + \epsilon_1 + \frac{P_1}{\rho_1} = \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + \epsilon_2 + \frac{P_2}{\rho_2}$$

Here $\epsilon = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} \frac{P}{\rho}$

$$\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{P_1}{\rho_1} = \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{P_2}{\rho_2} := c$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_2 u_2 = a \\ P_2 + \rho_2 u_2^2 = b \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_2 u_2 = a \\ P_2 + a u_2 = b \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_2 = \frac{a}{u_2} \\ P_2 = b - a u_2 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2}u_2^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{P_2}{\rho_2} &= c \\
\frac{1}{2}u_2^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{b-au_2}{a} &= c \\
\frac{1}{2}u^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{bu_2}{a} - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} u_2^2 &= c \\
\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)} u_2^2 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{b}{a} u_2 + c &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)} u_1^2 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{b}{a} u_1 + c = 0$$

Then, u_1, u_2 are the roots of the equation:

$$\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)} u^2 - \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{b}{a} u + c = 0$$

We must have

$$u_1 u_2 = \frac{C}{A}$$

$$u_1 u_2 = \frac{c}{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} = \frac{2(\gamma-1)}{\gamma+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{P_1}{\rho_1} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{u_1}{u_2} &= \frac{u_1^2}{\frac{2(\gamma-1)}{\gamma+1} \left(\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{P_1}{\rho_1} \right)} \\
&= \frac{(\gamma+1) u_1^2}{(\gamma-1) u_1^2 + 2\gamma \frac{P_1}{\rho_1}} \\
&= \frac{(\gamma+1) \frac{u_1^2 \rho_1}{\gamma P_1}}{(\gamma-1) \frac{u_1^2 \rho_1}{\gamma P_1} + 2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$M := \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\gamma P_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} u_1, \quad v_{s1} = \left(\frac{\gamma P_1}{\rho_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{u_1}{u_2} = \frac{(\gamma+1) M^2}{(\gamma-1) M^2 + 2}$$

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{u_1}{u_2} = \frac{(\gamma+1) M^2}{(\gamma-1) M^2 + 2} := h$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{P_2}{P_1} &= \frac{P_1 + \rho_1 u_1^2 - \rho_2 u_2^2}{P_1} \\
&= \frac{P_1 + \rho_1 u_1^2 - \frac{\rho_1 u_2^2}{h}}{P_1} \\
&= \frac{P_1 + \rho_1 u_1^2 - \rho_1 u_1^2 \frac{(\gamma-1)M^2+2}{(\gamma+1)M^2}}{P_1} \\
&= \frac{2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1)}{\gamma+1}
\end{aligned}$$

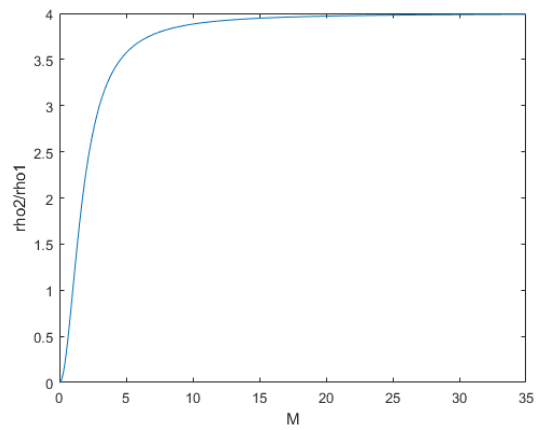
2 Show that if $M > 1$, then $\frac{u_2}{v_s} < 1$, which means supersonic flow becomes subsonic across the shock.

Since $M > 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma + 1 &< \gamma M^2 + M^2 \\
\gamma M^2 - M^2 + 2 &< 2\gamma M^2 - \gamma + 1 \\
((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2)^{\frac{1}{2}} &< (2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1))^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2) &< (2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1))^{\frac{1}{2}} ((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{(2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1))^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{1}{((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}} \\
u_1 \frac{((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2)}{(\gamma+1)M^2} &< \left(\frac{u_1^2 \frac{(2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1))}{\gamma+1}}{M^2 \frac{(\gamma+1)M^2}{(\gamma-1)M^2 + 2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
\text{Since } \frac{\gamma P_1}{\rho_1} = \frac{u_1^2}{M^2}, \quad u_1 \frac{((\gamma-1)M^2 + 2)}{(\gamma+1)M^2} &< \left(\frac{\gamma P_1 \frac{(2\gamma M^2 - (\gamma-1))}{\gamma+1}}{\rho_1 \frac{(\gamma+1)M^2}{(\gamma-1)M^2 + 2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
u_2 &< \left(\frac{\gamma P_2}{\rho_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

3 Plot $\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1}$ as a function of M .

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{(\gamma+1)M^2}{(\gamma-1)M^2 + 2} = \frac{\frac{8}{3}M^2}{\frac{2}{3}M^2 + 2}$$



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1 f=@(x) (5/3+1).*x.^2./((5/3-1).*x.^2+2);
2 x=linspace(0,35,1000);
3 plot(x,f(x));
4 xlabel('M');
5 ylabel('rho2/rho1');

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