

Homework 2.1

- We are going to examine the effects of grain fracture on the Burn profiles for our familiar AMW L777 Rocket
- Let's develop a simple “fracture model” for 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 “whole length” grain fractures .. Use Integrator of your choice to integrate the chamber pressure equation .. Assume isentropic nozzle

$$\frac{\partial P_0}{\partial t} = \frac{A_{burn} a P_0^n}{V_c} [\rho_p R_g T_0 - P_0] - P_0 \left[\frac{A^*}{V_c} \sqrt{\gamma R_g T_0 \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right)^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1}}} \right]$$

$\dot{r} = a \cdot P_0^n \longrightarrow \dot{m}_{propellant} = \rho_p \cdot A_{burn} \cdot \dot{r}$

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Cylindrical port

Fuel Grain Geometry

$$L_0 = 35 \text{ cm}$$

$$D_0 = 7.6 \text{ cm}$$

$$D_0 = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\rho_{\text{propellant}} = 1260 \text{ kg/M}^3$$

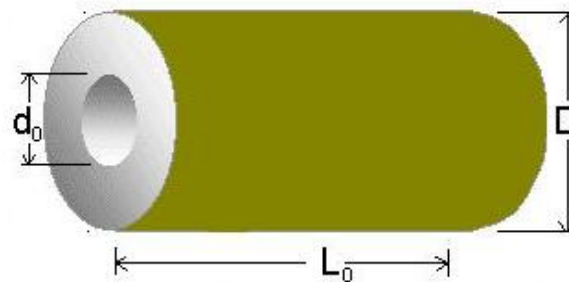
Nozzle Geometry

$$A^* = 1.887 \text{ cm}^2$$

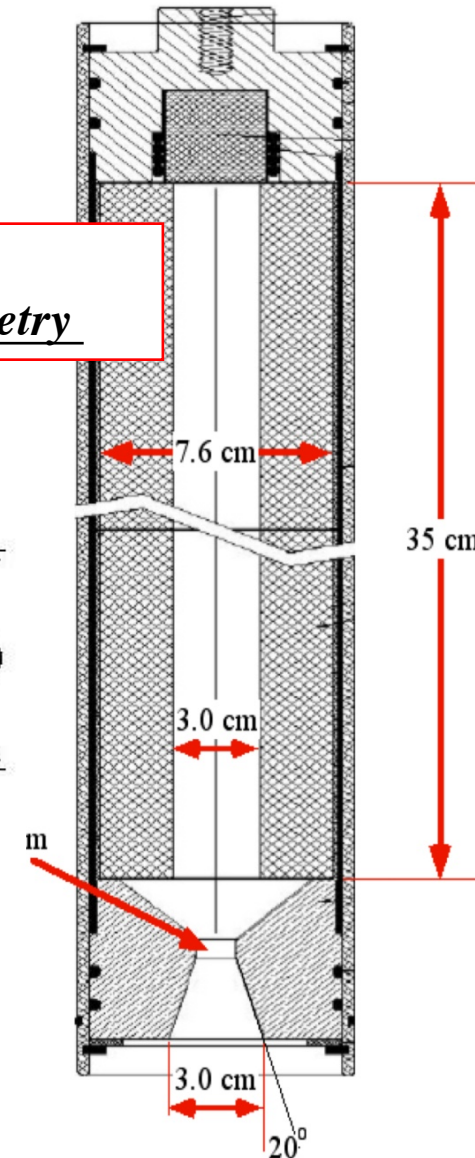
$$A_{\text{exit}}/A^* = 3.746$$

$$\theta_{\text{exit}} = 20 \text{ deg.}$$

*Assume ends are burn inhibited,
single segment grain*



Animal Works™,
L700 Motor Geometry



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Combustion Gas Properties

$$\gamma = 1.18$$

$$M_W = 23 \text{ kg/kg-mol}$$

$$T_0 = 2900 \text{ K}$$

Burn Parameters

$$a = 0.12 \text{ cm/(sec-kPa}^n\text{)}$$

$$n = 0.16$$

$$M_{crit} = 0.15$$

$$k = 1.0$$

(cylindrical port only)

Burn Parameters

Burn Parameters

Threshold mach

Mach Scale factor

Burn Multiplier, a
cm/sec-kPaⁿ

Burn Exponent, n

Properties of Propellant Products

Effective gamma

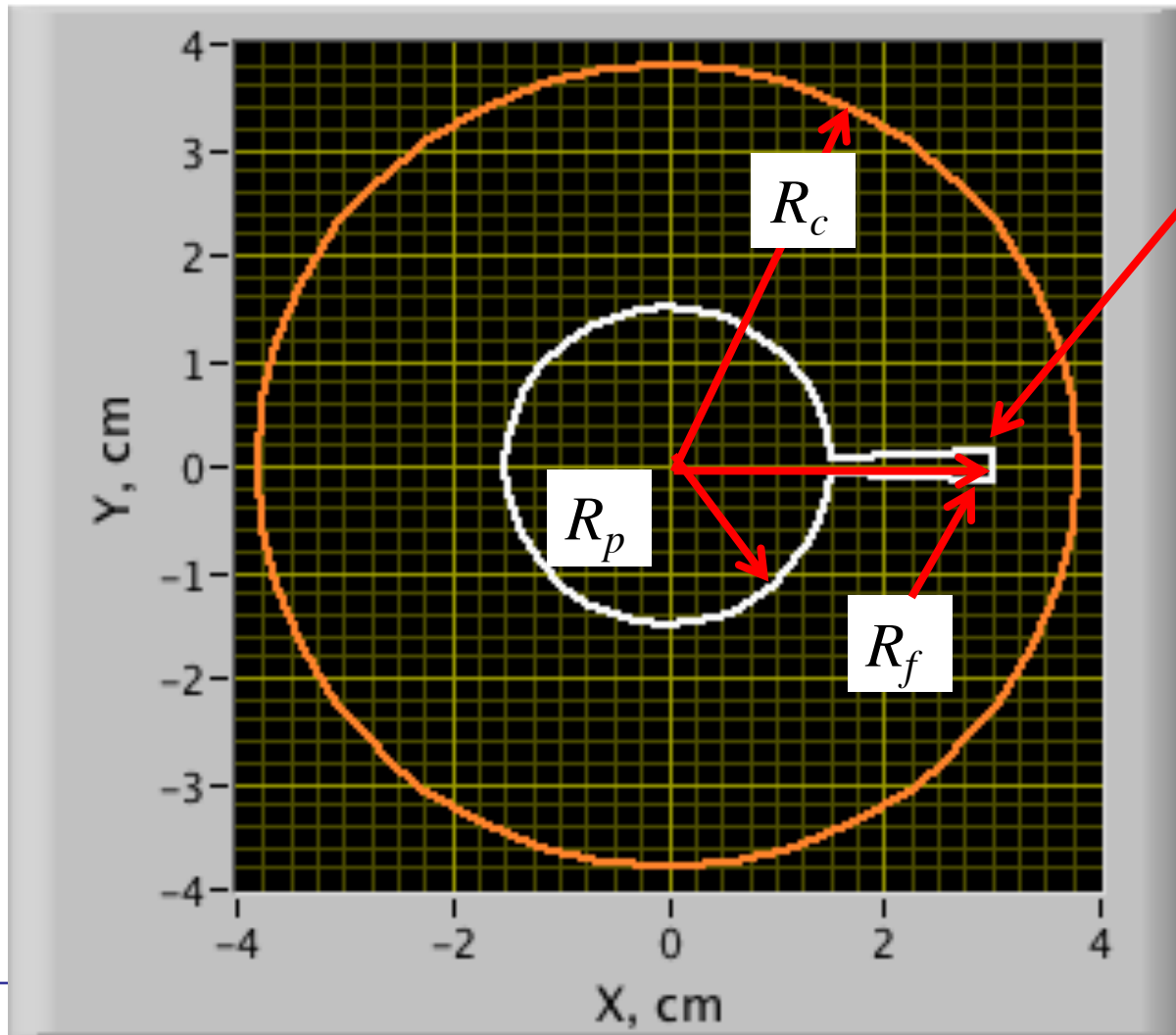
Effective MW

Idealized Flame
Temperature, deg. K

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Simple. Linear Regression, Grain Fracture Model

Single Crack port cross section



Grain Fracture

R_p (Port radius)

R_f (Fracture radius)

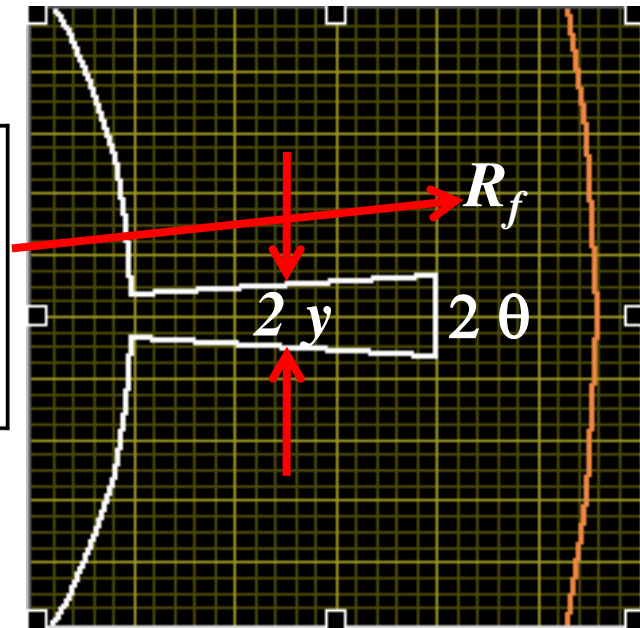
R_c (Motor case radius)

y (fracture half-width
at midpoint)

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• Fracture Dimensions

$$\left. \begin{aligned} R_f &= R_{f_0} + s \\ R_p &= R_{p_0} + s \\ y &= y_0 + s \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \boxed{\begin{aligned} s &= \int_r \dot{r} \cdot dt \\ \text{"0"} &= \text{Initial values} \end{aligned}}$$



• Fracture angular half width

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{\frac{R_f - R_p}{2} + R_p} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{\frac{R_f + R_p}{2}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2 \cdot y}{R_f + R_p} \right)$$

• Port Cross Section Area and Internal Volume

$$A_c = \pi \cdot R_p^2 + \theta \cdot (R_f^2 - R_p^2)$$

$$V_{port} = A_c \cdot L_{port}$$

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- **Port Total Perimeter and Surface Burn Area**

$$P_{port} = 2 \cdot (\pi - \theta) \cdot R_p + 2 \cdot \left[(R_c - R_p) \right] + 2 \cdot \theta \cdot R_c =$$

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$$A_{burn} = P_{port} \cdot L_{port}$$

- **Motor case, and Fuel Grain Cross section area, volume**

$$A_{case} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot R_g^2$$

$$A_{fuel} = A_{case} - A_c$$

$$V_{case} = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot R_g^2 \cdot L_{port}$$

$$V_{fuel} = A_{fuel} \cdot L_{port}$$

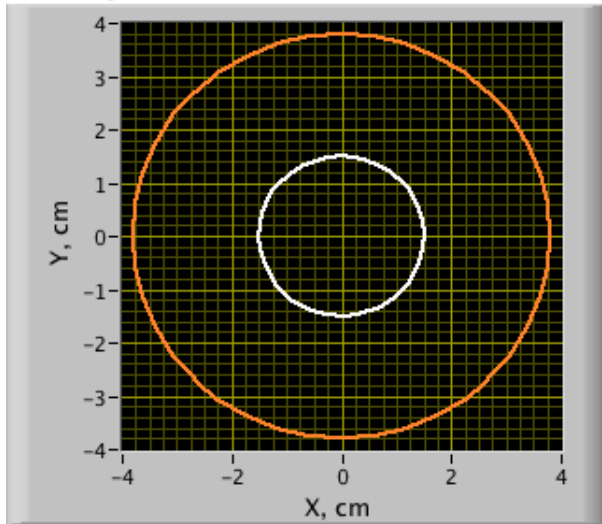
- **Total Propellant Mass**

$$M_{propellant} = \rho_{propellant} \cdot A_{propellant} \cdot L_{port}$$

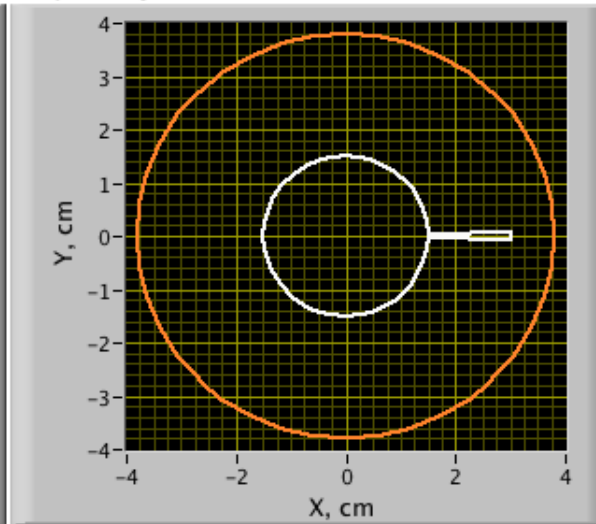
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- Allow for 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4 symmetrical grain fractures

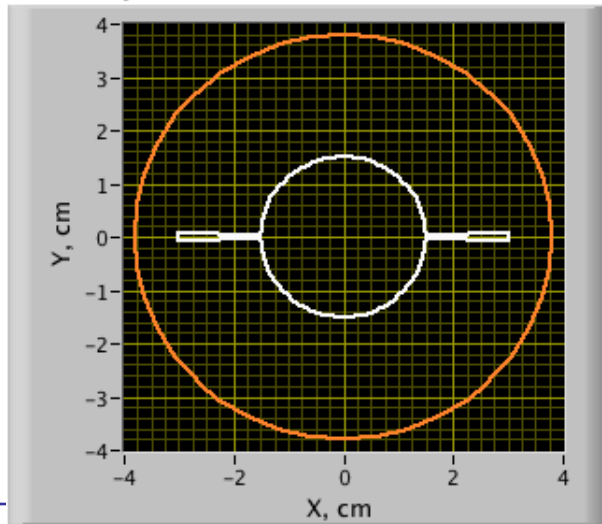
No Crack port cross section



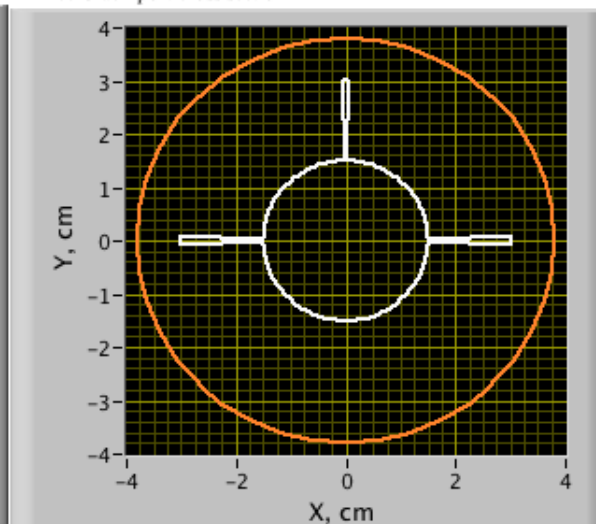
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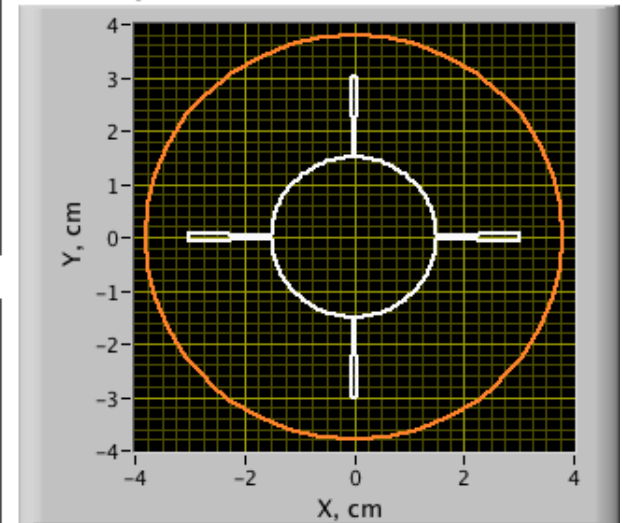
Two Crack port cross section



Three Crack port cross section



Four Crack port cross section



$$y_0 = 0.4 \text{ mm}$$

$$R_{f0} = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Calculate, plot, and compare for 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 grain fracture models:

Chamber pressure profile

Regression rate profile

Massflow rate profile

Thrust profile

Total Impulse profile

Ratio of Surface Burn Area to Port Volume

Calculate Effective Mean Specific Impulse

Allow:

St. Robert's Parameter Input

Variable Step Size

Variable Thermodynamic Properties (as inputs to the problem)

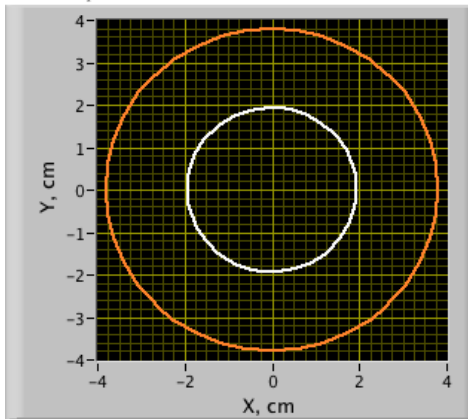
Erosive burn model for cylindrical port

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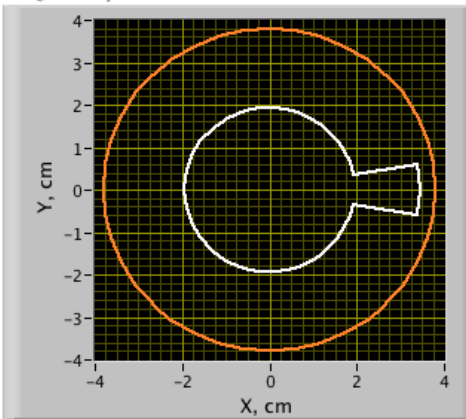
Plot grain cross section profiles at 0, 1, 2, 4, 6, and 8 seconds. Note Burn times when burn breaches outer motor case wall

***Grain cross section
after 1 sec burn***

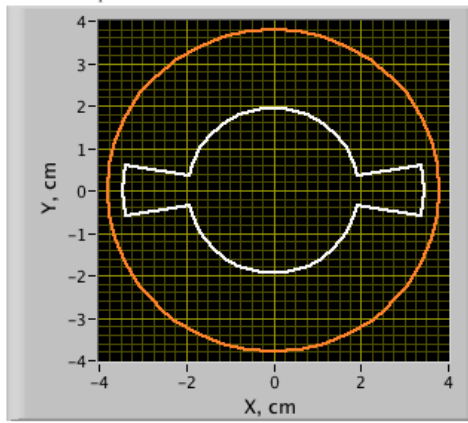
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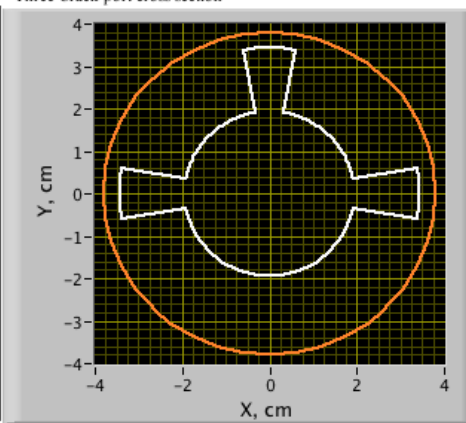
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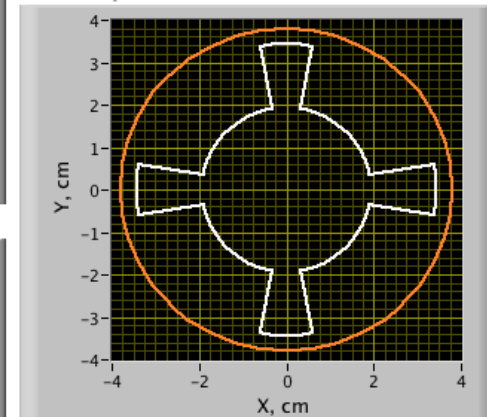
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- Turn In Report describing your results