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Chapter 1

Introduction and Normal Shocks

1.1 Revision of Fundamental Concepts

1.1.1 Dimensionless Measures

Reynolds number:

$$Re = \frac{Ud}{\nu} \quad (1.1)$$

Mach number:

$$M = \frac{q}{c} = \frac{q}{(\gamma RT)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad (1.2)$$

Where:

- q = local flow speed
- U = characteristics flow speed
- d = characteristic lengthscale
- c = either local or characteristic speed of sound

The difference between a characteristic and a local measure is important, especially for compressible flows.

1.1.2 Classical Thermodynamics

First Law of Thermodynamics (change in internal energy, E):

$$\Delta E = Q - W \quad (1.3)$$

Second Law of Thermodynamics (entropy cannot decrease):

$$dS = \frac{dQ}{T} \quad (1.4)$$

1.1.3 Equation of State

The relationships for a perfect gas are:

$$p = \rho RT \quad (1.5)$$

$$c_p - c_v = R \quad (1.6)$$

$$dU = c_p dT \quad (1.7)$$

$$dE = c_v dT \quad (1.8)$$

Where E is the internal energy, U is the enthalpy. The isentropic index is:

$$\gamma = \frac{c_p}{c_v} \quad (1.9)$$

Gas	$R(\text{Km}^2\text{s}^{-2})$	$\rho(\text{kgm}^{-3})$	γ
H ₂	4124	0.822	1.41
He	2077	1.63	1.66
Dry air	287	1.18	1.40
N ₂	297	1.14	1.40

Figure 1.1:

1.1.4 Terminology

Adiabatic - no heat in / work done (strong changes)

Isentropic - no change in entropy (weak changes)

1.1.5 Conservation Principles

There are two frameworks to analyse fluid and solid mechanics.

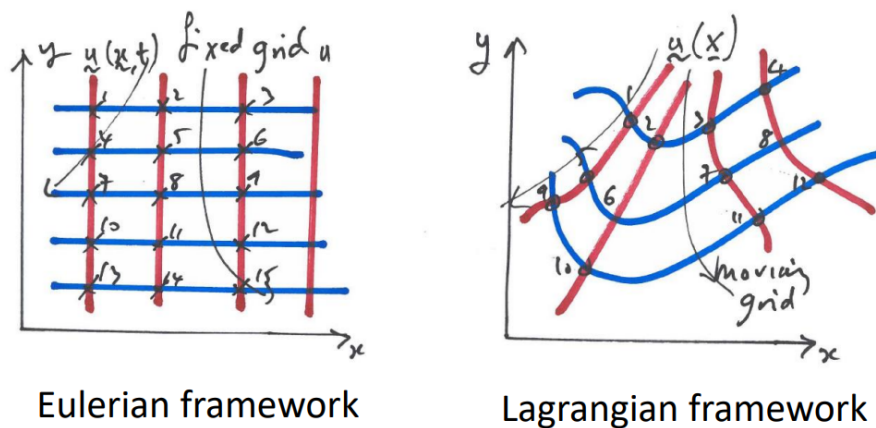


Figure 1.2:

- Eulerian – information at fixed points
- Lagrangian – information at points that move with fluid or solid
- They both have advantages and disadvantages.

1.1.6 Conservation of Mass

Integral form of conservation law for a Lagrangian control volume:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_L} \rho dV = 0 \quad (1.10)$$

Differential form for the conservation of mass:

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho(\nabla \cdot u) \quad (1.11)$$

For an incompressible fluid:

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0 \quad (1.12)$$

1.1.7 Conservation of Linear Momentum

Integral form of the conservation law:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_L} \rho u dV = \int_{S_L} \sigma \cdot \hat{n} dS + \int_{V_L} F dV \quad (1.13)$$

Where:

- σ is the stress tensor
- p is the pressure
- τ is the viscous stress tensor

$$\sigma = -pI + \tau \quad (1.14)$$

Differential form of the conservation of momentum:

$$\rho \frac{Du}{Dt} = \nabla \cdot \sigma + F \quad (1.15)$$

$$\rho(x, t) \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \cdot \nabla)u \right) = -\nabla p \quad (1.16)$$

This is Euler's equation for an inviscid fluid. The flow is compressible (explicitly stated).

1.1.8 Conservation of Angular Momentum

Integral form of the conservation law:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_L} \rho x \times u \, dV = \int_{S_L} x \times \sigma \cdot \hat{n} \, dS + \int_{V_L} x \times F \, dV \quad (1.17)$$

The differential form of the conservation law:

$$x \times \left(\rho \frac{Du}{Dt} - \nabla \cdot \sigma \right) = \epsilon_{ilk} \sigma_{kl} \quad (1.18)$$

Consequence is that the stress tensor is symmetric:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ji} \quad (1.19)$$

1.1.9 Conservation of Energy

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_L} \rho \left(E + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \right) dV = - \int_{S_L} u \cdot \sigma \cdot \hat{n} \, dS + \int_{S_L} k \nabla T \cdot \hat{n} \, dS + \int_{V_L} u \cdot F \, dV \quad (1.20)$$

$$E_T = E + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \quad (1.21)$$

Where $q = |u|$ is the fluid speed. The differential form of the energy equation is:

$$\rho \frac{D}{Dt} \left(E + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \right) = -\nabla \cdot (u \cdot \sigma) + \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T) + u \cdot F \quad (1.22)$$

The continuum form on the conservation of energy says:

$$\frac{DE}{Dt} = -\frac{p}{\rho} (\nabla \cdot u) + \frac{1}{\rho} (\phi + \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T)) \quad (1.23)$$

$$\frac{DE}{Dt} = -\frac{pD \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \right)}{Dt} + \frac{\phi + \nabla \cdot (k \nabla T)}{\rho} \quad (1.24)$$

The dissipation is:

$$\phi = \nabla \cdot (u \sigma) - u \cdot \nabla \sigma \quad (1.25)$$

Compare to the differential form that you have met before:

$$dE = -p d \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \right) + dQ \quad (1.26)$$

For an inviscid fluid (with no viscous dissipation $\sigma = -pI$) and no diffusion of heat:

$$\frac{D}{Dt} \left(E + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \right) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla \cdot (pu) \quad (1.27)$$

1.1.10 Bernoulli's Equation

Form	Equation	Conservation Law
Isothermal	$\frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 = \text{const}$	Mechanical energy
Isothermal	$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 + \Upsilon = \text{const}$	Mechanical energy
Adiabatic	$E + \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 = \text{const}$	1 st law of thermodynamics
Adiabatic & perfect gas	$\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 = \text{const}$	1 st law of thermodynamics & perfect gas law

Figure 1.3:

1.1.11 Reference State (Stagnation)

There are two possible reference states.

(a) Stagnation flow condition

$$\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 = \text{const} \quad (1.28)$$

The speed of sound is c where:

$$c^2 = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} \right)_s = \gamma RT = \frac{\gamma p}{\rho} \quad (1.29)$$

$$\frac{p}{\rho} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2 \right) = \text{const} \quad (1.30)$$

$$T \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2 \right) = \text{const} \quad (1.31)$$

We can set the reference constant to be when the flow is at rest or stagnant. For flows where changes are significant, this state cannot be realised without other processes occurring, so that:

$$1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2 = \frac{T_0}{T} \quad (1.32)$$

This tells:

$$1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2 = \frac{p_0 \rho}{p \rho_0} \quad (1.33)$$

This relationship is not useful, unless combined with the isentropic relationship $\frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = \text{const}$:

$$\frac{p}{p_0} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}} \quad (1.34)$$

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M^2\right)^{-\frac{1}{\gamma - 1}} \quad (1.35)$$

(b) Sonic flow condition

$$\frac{p_*}{p_0} = \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1}\right)^{\frac{-\gamma}{\gamma - 1}} = 0.5283 \quad (1.36)$$

$$\frac{\rho_*}{\rho_0} = \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1}\right)^{-\frac{1}{\gamma - 1}} = 0.63 \quad (1.37)$$

$$\frac{T_*}{T_0} = \frac{2}{\gamma + 1} = 0.8333 \quad (1.38)$$

1.2 Normal Shocks

1.2.1 Assumptions

The flow adjusts over a short distance from one region to another and the streamlines are parallel and not deflected.

This is called a normal shock. The distance can be very short (comparable with the mean-free path, $10\mu m$) so that the thickness of the wave may be ignored. Although viscous effects may be important within the wave, an inviscid analysis can be applied to understand these processes. We consider the flow across a shock wave and denote the flow properties with 1 upstream and 2 downstream.

1.2.2 Conservation Principles

Conservation of mass:

$$\nabla \cdot (\rho u) = 0 \quad (1.39)$$

Conservation of momentum:

$$\rho u \cdot \nabla u + \nabla p = 0 \quad (1.40)$$

Conservation of energy:

$$\rho u \cdot \nabla \left(E + \frac{1}{2} q^2 \right) + \nabla \cdot (pu) = 0 \quad (1.41)$$

To apply these relationships we have to integrate them across the shock. Remember, the gradient of these variables is zero on each side because the changes are confined to the thin shock.

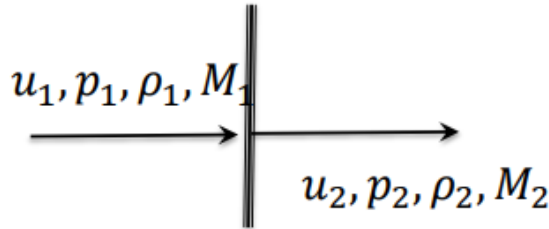


Figure 1.4:

$$\rho_2 u_2 = \rho_1 u_1 \quad (1.42)$$

$$\rho_2 u_2^2 + p_2 = \rho_1 u_1^2 + p_1 \quad (1.43)$$

$$\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_2}{\rho_2} + \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{p_1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{2} u_1^2 \quad (1.44)$$

$$\frac{p_1}{\rho_1 T_1} = \frac{p_2}{\rho_2 T_2} \quad (1.45)$$

Strength of shock is:

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} \quad (1.46)$$

1.2.3 Frame of Reference

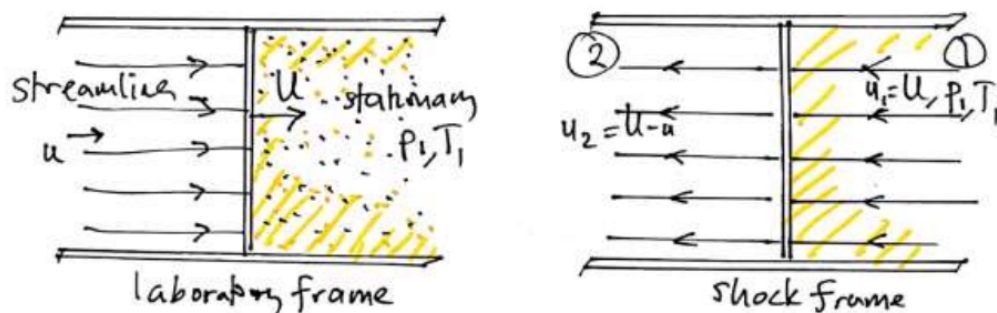


Figure 1.5: Diagram showing the frame of reference for an example question

When we consider scenarios such as shocks propagating in stationary flows, like a bomb or a pressure pulse is moving into a stationary region, we don't investigate it

in this complex form. We hop on a frame of reference of the shock so the flow tends to be steady, and then we can conduct an analysis on this frame of reference.

1.2.4 Solution Technique

Aim of the calculation is to relate the flow upstream of the shock to downstream of the shock. There are 4 equations: mass, momentum, energy and state. One useful way to solve this is to use 3 of them at a time. The systems are solved in pairs:

- (a) mass, momentum and state (Rayleigh flow) - This occurs in when heat is added to a flow
- (b) mass, energy and state (Fanno flow) - This occurs in when pipe friction is important

1.2.5 Algebraic Manipulation

From the momentum equation:

$$p_1 - p_2 = \rho_2 u_2^2 - \rho_1 u_1^2 = \rho_1 u_1 (u_2 - u_1) \quad (1.47)$$

Rearranging gives:

$$u_2^2 - u_1^2 = \frac{(p_1 - p_2)(u_1 + u_2)}{\rho_1 u_1} = (p_1 - p_2) \left(\frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \quad (1.48)$$

$$\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \left(\frac{p_1}{\rho_1} - \frac{p_2}{\rho_2} \right) = (p_1 - p_2) \left(\frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} \right) \quad (1.49)$$

Rankine-Hugoniot relation:

$$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1} \right) \frac{p_2}{p_1} + 1}{\frac{p_2}{p_1} + \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1}} \quad (1.50)$$

The strength of the shock is:

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{\left(\frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1} \right) \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} - 1}{\frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1} - \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1}} \quad (1.51)$$

This relationship is valid of shocks and highly non-linear behaviour. The first point in the discussion is what happens when the shock is weak.

1.2.6 Weak Shocks

This can be demonstrated analytically by considering changes of pressure and density across the shock. To show this, let $p_2 = p_1 + \Delta p$ and $\rho_2 = \rho_1 + \Delta \rho$, then substituting into the Rankine-Hugoniot gives:

$$\frac{\Delta p}{p_1} = \frac{p_2 - p_1}{p_1} = \frac{\frac{2\gamma(\rho_2 - \rho_1)}{(\gamma - 1)\rho_1}}{\frac{2}{\gamma - 1}} = \frac{\gamma \Delta \rho}{\rho_1} \quad (1.52)$$

which is the same as the isentropic approximation obtained by taking the differential of $\frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = \text{const.}$

We can write ρu^2 as $\rho c^2 M^2 = \gamma p M^2$. Thus the momentum equation may be written as:

$$p_1 - p_2 = \gamma p_2 M_2^2 - \gamma p_1 M_1^2 \quad (1.53)$$

or

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{1 + \gamma M_1^2}{1 + \gamma M_2^2} \quad (1.54)$$

The density ratio is:

$$\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_2} = \frac{p_2}{p_1} \left(\frac{M_2}{M_1} \right)^2 \quad (1.55)$$

This is known as the **Rayleigh line**.

Since there is no change in stagnation temperature across the shock:

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M_1^2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M_2^2} \quad (1.56)$$

From the equations of continuity and state:

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{p_2 \rho_1}{p_1 \rho_2} = \frac{p_2 u_2}{p_1 u_1} = \frac{p_2 M_2}{p_1 M_1} \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (1.57)$$

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \frac{M_2}{M_1} \right)^2 \quad (1.58)$$

Substituting into the equation of state gives:

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{M_1}{M_2} \left(\frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M_1^2}{1 + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)M_2^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (1.59)$$

where the relationship between static and stagnation pressures have been defined.

1.2.7 Entropy Considerations

From the conservation of energy:

$$dQ = dE + dW = c_v dT + pd \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \right) \quad (1.66)$$

Since:

$$dS = \frac{dQ}{T} = \frac{c_v dT}{T} + \frac{p}{T} d \left(\frac{1}{\rho} \right) = \frac{c_v + R}{T} dT - R \frac{dp}{p} \quad (1.67)$$

Integrating gives an entropy change of:

$$\Delta s = \int_1^2 ds = c_p \log \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1} \right) - R \log \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right) = c_p \log \left(\frac{T_2}{T_1} \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right) \quad (1.68)$$

Since $c_p = \frac{\gamma R}{\gamma-1}$, we can rearrange as:

$$\frac{\Delta s}{R} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \left(\log \left(\frac{p_1}{p_2} \right) + \frac{1}{\gamma} \log \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \right) \right) \quad (1.69)$$

Specifically for a shock:

$$\frac{\Delta s}{R} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \log \left(\frac{2}{(\gamma+1)M_1^2} + \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1} \right) + \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \log \left(\frac{2\gamma M_1^2}{\gamma+1} - \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1} \right) \quad (1.70)$$

When $M_1 < 1$, $M_2 > 1$ and $\Delta s < 0$. This is unphysical and is ignored. But when $M_1 > 1$, $M_2 < 1$ and $\Delta s > 0$.

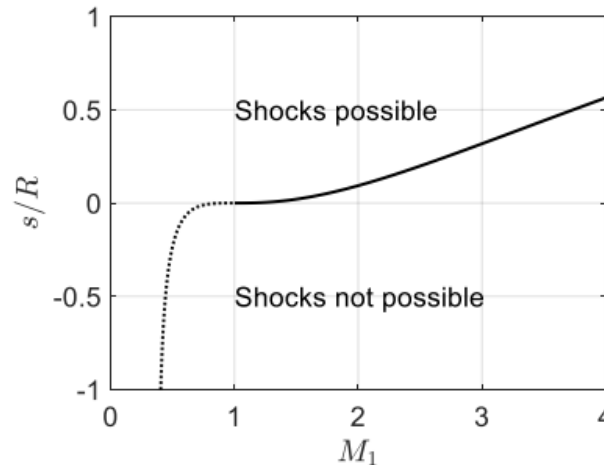


Figure 1.7:

1.2.8 $T - s$ and $p - 1/\rho$ Diagrams

We use these types of figures to analyse systems.

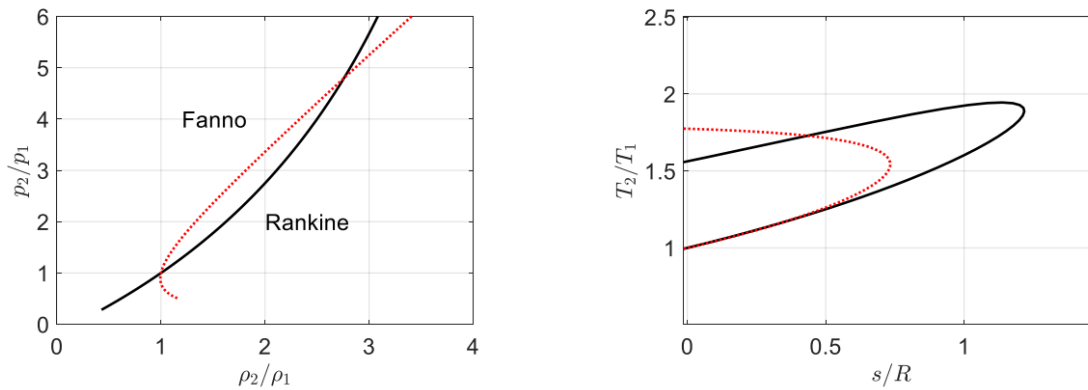


Figure 1.8:

$\frac{p_{02}}{p_{01}} < 1$	Loss in stagnation pressure
$\frac{p_2}{p_1} > 1$	Increase in static pressure
$\frac{T_2}{T_1} > 1$	Increase in static temperature
$\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} > 1$	Increase in density
$\frac{u_2}{u_1} < 1$	Decrease in velocity
$M_2 < 1$	Subsonic flow behind shock
$\frac{T_{02}}{T_{01}} = 1$	No change in stagnation temperature

Figure 1.9: