## EAS 4300 Homework 7: Turbojet Engine

## <u>Due Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at the beginning of class</u> <u>NOTE: include a copy of your equations and with your plots</u>

1. (50 points) A non-afterburning turbojet is being designed for operation at an altitude of 15 km and a Mach number of 1.8. The maximum stagnation temperature at the inlet of the turbine is 1500 K. The fuel is a jet fuel having a LHV of 43124 kJ/kg and f<sub>st</sub> is 0.06. The following efficiencies apply at this Mach number:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \eta_d = 0.9 & \eta_b = 0.98 & \eta_t = 0.92 \\ \eta_c = 0.9 & r_b = 0.97 & \eta_n = 0.98 \end{array}$$

Use a gamma value of 1.4 up to the burner, and a value of 1.3 for the rest of the engine. Assume R is 0.287 kJ/kgK throughout the engine. Plot the specific thrust, TSFC,  $\eta_{th}$ ,  $\eta_p$ , and  $\eta_o$  as a function of  $r_c$ , the total pressure ratio across the compressor. Is there an optimum  $r_c$  that minimizes TSFC? Is there an optimum  $r_c$  that maximizes specific thrust? Consider a range of  $r_c$  from 2 to 60. Assume the exhaust is ideally expanded. Also plot the nozzle area ratio as a function of  $r_c$ .

2. (50 points) Add an afterburner to the above situation. The maximum stagnation temperature downstream of the afterburner is 2000 K. The afterburner combustion efficiency  $\eta_{ab}$  is 0.95 and the total pressure ratio  $r_{ab}$  is 0.97. All other efficiencies remain the same. Use a gamma value of 1.4 up to the primary burner, and a value of 1.3 for the rest of the engine. Assume R is 0.287 kJ/kgK throughout the engine. Plot the specific thrust, TSFC,  $\eta_{th}$ ,  $\eta_p$ , and  $\eta_o$  as a function of  $r_c$ , the total pressure ratio across the compressor. Consider a range of  $r_c$  from 2 to 60. Assume the exhaust is ideally expanded. Also plot the nozzle area ratio as a function of  $r_c$ . Comment on the changes that occur due to the addition of the afterburner (i.e. compare the plots to that of problem 1). Note that the overall fuel-to-air ratio can not exceed the stoichiometric value ( $f_b + f_{ab} \le f_{st}$ ).

## Extra credit problem (10 points): the effect of assuming constant specific heats.

Our stagnation relations for pressure and temperature assume constant specific heats. To attain a more accurate solution, we need to use the temperature dependent specific heats and specific heat ratios tabulated in appendix II from the book. Consider air at static conditions of 300 K and 1 atm. Construct a model to compute T<sub>o</sub>/T and P<sub>o</sub>/P as a function of Mach number from zero to four accounting for variable specific heats (i.e. use the values in the tables for air, and construct it as lookup function in your model), and compare to the results achieved using constant specific heats (i.e. our regular stagnation relations). A reminder, the stagnation process is modeled as isentropic, adiabatic, and no work. Plots the difference as a function of Mach number in terms of the absolute value of the relative error:

$$abs \left( \frac{\left( \frac{P_o}{P} \right)_{\text{variable specific heats}} - \left( \frac{P_o}{P} \right)_{\text{constant specific heats}}}{\left( \frac{P_o}{P} \right)_{\text{constant specific heats}}} \right) \qquad abs \left( \frac{\left( \frac{T_o}{T} \right)_{\text{variable specific heats}} - \left( \frac{T_o}{T} \right)_{\text{constant specific heats}}}{\left( \frac{T_o}{T} \right)_{\text{constant specific heats}}} \right)$$