

# ME 355: Compressible Flows, Spring 2016

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## Homework 1

Due Tuesday, April 19, in class.

**Guidelines:** Please turn in a *neat* and *clean* homework that gives all the formulae that you have used as well as details that are required for the grader to understand your solution. Attach these sheets to your solutions.

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### Questions (40 pts)

1. Air flows isentropically through a constant-area duct at  $Ma = 0.4$ . The stagnation pressure at point 1 is  $P_0 = 1.3$  bar. What is the stagnation pressure at a downstream point 2?

1 →  $Ma = 0.4$  → 2  
 $P_0 = 1.3$  bar

SINCE THE FLOW IS ISENTROPIC, THE STAGNATION PRESSURE REMAINS CONSTANT.  $P_{01} = P_{02} = 1.3$  bar

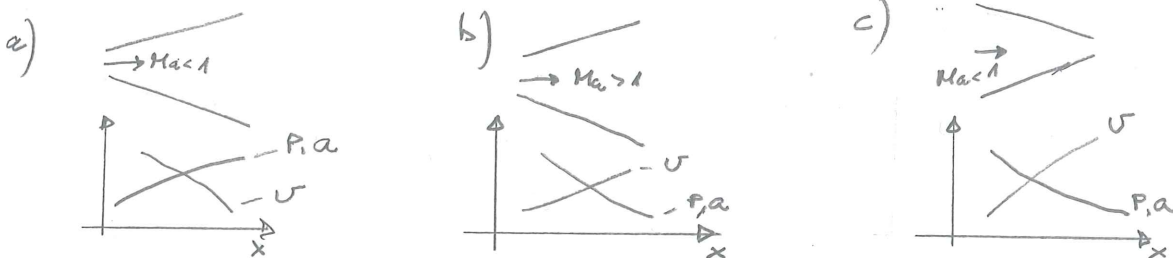
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2. In addition to the conditions described in the previous question, it is also known that the stagnation density at point 1 is  $\rho_0 = 1.0$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>. What is the static enthalpy at the downstream point 2?

$$\frac{P_1}{P_0} = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} Ma^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}} = 0.89 = \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0}\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} = \frac{P_2}{P_0} = \left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_0}\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} \Rightarrow h_2 = \frac{h_2}{h_0} = \frac{h_0}{T_0} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_0}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} \frac{P_0}{\rho_0} = 3.38 \frac{P_0}{\rho_0} = 440 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

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3. Sketch the streamwise variations of pressure, speed of sound and flow velocity for a) a subsonic flow through a divergent nozzle, b) a supersonic flow through a divergent nozzle, and c) a subsonic flow through a convergent nozzle.



4. A gas with  $\gamma = 1.4$  flows supersonically through a diverging duct. At section 1, the cross-sectional area is  $A_1$  and the Mach number is  $Ma_1 = 1.6$ . At section 2, the cross-sectional area is  $A_2 = 5A_1$ . Calculate the Mach number  $Ma_2$  at section 2.

CONTINUITY:  $\dot{m} = \rho U A = \text{CONST.}$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m} = \rho_0 a_0 \frac{U}{a} \frac{a}{a_0} \frac{A}{A_0} = \rho_0 a_0 A Ma \left[1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} Ma^2\right]^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}$$

THEREFORE  $\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{Ma_2 \left[1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} Ma_2^2\right]^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}}{Ma_1 \left[1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} Ma_1^2\right]^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}} = \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow$  OBTAIN  $Ma_2$  ( $Ma_2 > 1$ )

$\frac{1}{5}$  FROM TABLE I  $\Rightarrow 0.79$

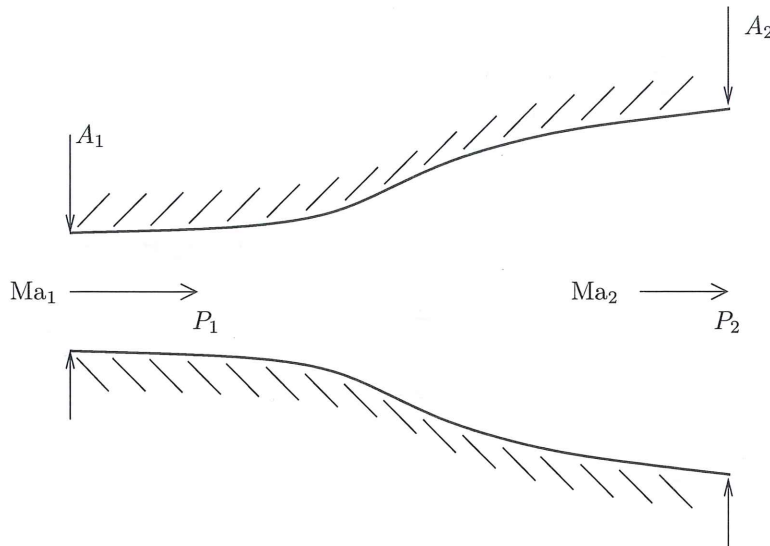
THIS EQ. CAN BE SOLVED BY DOING  $\frac{A_2}{A^*} = \frac{A_2}{A_1} \cdot \frac{A_1}{A^*} = 5 \frac{A_1}{A^*} = 6.28 \Rightarrow Ma_2 = 3.4$

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FROM TABLE I

**Problem 1 (30 pts)**

Consider the subsonic diffuser shown in the figure where the inlet Mach number  $Ma_1 < 1$  and the area ratio  $A_2/A_1 > 1$  are known parameters.



- Derive an expression to compute the static-pressure ratio  $P_2/P_1$  as a function of  $Ma_1$ ,  $A_2/A_1$  and  $\gamma$ .
- Calculate the static-pressure ratio  $P_2/P_1$  for  $Ma_1 = 0.4$  and  $A_2/A_1 = 4$ .
- Prove that the expression

$$\frac{P_0}{P_1} = \left[ 1 + \frac{(\gamma - 1)}{2} Ma_1^2 \right]^{\gamma/(\gamma-1)}$$

leads to the incompressible Bernoulli equation

$$P_1 + \rho U_1^2/2 = P_0$$

in the incompressible limit  $Ma^2 \ll 1$ , where  $P_0$  is the stagnation pressure,  $U_1$  is the flow velocity, and  $\rho$  is the density.

a) FROM MASS CONSERVATION:  $\dot{m} = \int \rho U dA = \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \frac{U}{a_0} \rho_0 a_0 A = \text{CONST} \Rightarrow \frac{\rho_1}{\rho_0} Ma_1 \left( \frac{T_1}{T_0} \right)^{1/2} A_1 = \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_0} Ma_2 \left( \frac{T_2}{T_0} \right)^{1/2} A_2$

AND SINCE  $\rho_1 = \frac{P_1}{R_g T_1}$  AND  $\rho_2 = \frac{P_2}{R_g T_2}$ , THEN  $\frac{P_2}{P_1} \frac{Ma_2}{Ma_1} \left( \frac{T_1}{T_2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{A_2}{A_1} = 1$  (1)

SUBSTITUTING THE RELATION  $\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{T_2}{T_0} \frac{T_0}{T_1} = \frac{1 + (\gamma-1) Ma_1^2}{1 + (\gamma-1) Ma_2^2}$  INTO EQ (1)

YIELDS:  $\frac{P_2}{P_1} \frac{Ma_2}{Ma_1} \left( \frac{1 + (\gamma-1) Ma_1^2}{1 + (\gamma-1) Ma_2^2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{A_2}{A_1} = 1$ , WHICH GIVES THE QUADRATIC EQUATION

$$Ma_2^2 \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)}{2} Ma_2^2 \right) = Ma_1^2 \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)}{2} Ma_1^2 \right) \left( \frac{A_1}{A_2} \right)^2 \left( \frac{P_1}{P_2} \right)^2$$

FOR  $Ma_2 < 1$



THE SOLUTION IS

$$(\gamma-1)Ma_2^2 = -1 + \left[ 1 + \frac{2(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2 \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2} \right)}{\left( \frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^2 \left( \frac{A_2}{A_1} \right)} \right]^{1/2}$$

SUBSTITUTING THIS EXPRESSION INTO THE ISENTROPIC RELATIONS

$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = \frac{P_2}{P_0} \frac{P_0}{P_1} = \left( \frac{1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_2^2}{2}}{1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2}} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}}$$

GIVES

$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = \left( \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \frac{2(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2 \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2} \right)}{\left( \frac{P_2}{P_1} \right)^2 \left( \frac{A_2}{A_1} \right)^2} \right]^{1/2}}{1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2}} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \quad (2)$$

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WHICH REPRESENTS THE IMPLICIT RELATION BETWEEN  $\frac{P_2}{P_1}$ ,  $\frac{A_2}{A_1}$  AND  $Ma_1$ .

b) FOR  $Ma_1 = 0.4$  AND  $\frac{A_2}{A_1} = 4$ , EQ. (2) CAN BE SOLVED ITERATIVELY TO

GIVE  $\boxed{\frac{P_2}{P_1} \approx 1.11}$  ✓ 10/10

c)  $\frac{P_0}{P_1} = \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}}$  IS OF THE FORM  $(1 + \epsilon)^b$ , WHICH CAN BE

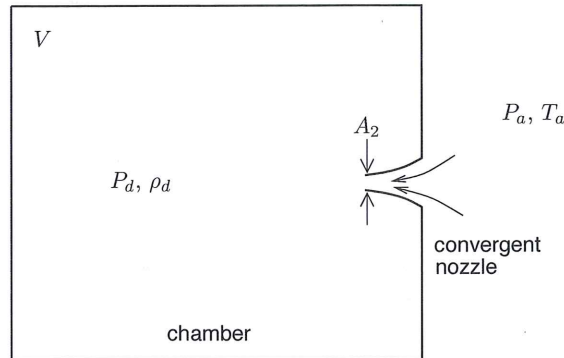
EXPANDED IN TAYLOR SERIES AS  $(1 + \epsilon)^b \sim 1 + b\epsilon$  FOR  $\epsilon \ll 1$ . IN THIS WAY,

$$\frac{P_0}{P_1} = \left( 1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)Ma_1^2}{2} \right)^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \sim 1 + \frac{\gamma}{2} Ma_1^2 = 1 + \frac{\gamma U_1^2}{2\gamma P_1/g} = 1 + \frac{\rho U_1^2}{2P_1}$$

⇒  $\boxed{P_0 = P_1 + \frac{\rho U_1^2}{2}}$  ✓ 10/10

**Problem 2** (30 pts)

A small hole is perforated on the wall of a chamber of volume  $V$  that is initially void of gas. The hole resembles a convergent nozzle of minimum cross-sectional area  $A_2 \ll V^{2/3}$ . Air from the atmosphere flows through the hole filling up the chamber, as shown in the figure below. The atmosphere is at pressure  $P_a$  and temperature  $T_a$ .



- a) Show that mass and total internal-energy conservation constraints require that the time evolution of the density  $\rho_d$  and pressure  $P_d$  of the gas in the chamber are given by

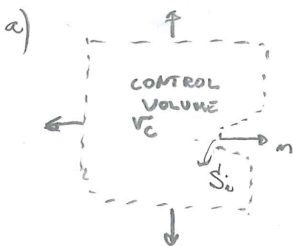
$$\frac{d\rho_d}{dt} = \frac{\dot{m}}{V} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\frac{dP_d}{dt} = \frac{\dot{m}}{V} a_a^2 \quad (2)$$

where  $\dot{m}$  is the mass flow rate and  $a_a$  is the speed of sound in the atmospheric air.

- b) Obtain an expression for the time  $t^*$  during which the hole remains choked as a function of  $\gamma$ ,  $V$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $T_a$  and the gas constant  $R_g$ .
- c) Plot the time evolution of the density  $\rho_d/\rho_a$  and pressure  $P_d/P_a$  of the gas in the chamber during the interval  $0 < t/t^* < 5$  for  $\gamma = 1.4$ .



\* CONTINUITY:  $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_c} \rho dV + \int_{S_c} \rho \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{V d\rho_d}{dt} = \dot{m} \right| \quad (1)$

$V \frac{d\rho_d}{dt} - \rho_2 U_2 A_2 = -\dot{m}$

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\* TOTAL INTERNAL ENERGY:  $\frac{d}{dt} \int_{V_c} \rho \left( e + \frac{|\vec{v}|^2}{2} \right) dV + \int_{S_c} \rho \left( e + \frac{|\vec{v}|^2}{2} + \frac{P}{\rho} \right) \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{s} = 0$

$\frac{d}{dt} (\rho e) = -\dot{m} \left( h_2 + \frac{U_2^2}{2} \right) = -\dot{m} h_a = -\frac{\dot{m} a_a^2}{\gamma - 1}$

$= c_v V \frac{d}{dt} (\rho T) = \frac{V}{\gamma - 1} \frac{dP_d}{dt}$

$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{V dP_d}{dt} = \dot{m} a_a^2 \right| \quad (2)$

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b) INITIALLY THERE IS NO GAS IN THE CHAMBER  $\Rightarrow \rho_d = P_d = 0$  AT  $t=0$ . AS GAS FLOWS THROUGH THE HOLE, THE PRESSURE  $P_d$  AND DENSITY  $\rho_d$  INCREASE ACCORDING TO EQS (1) + (2). IT IS HOWEVER NECESSARY TO OBTAIN AN EXPRESSION FOR THE MASS FLOW RATE  $\dot{m}$ . AT THE BEGINNING, THE PRESSURE IN THE CHAMBER IS SMALL AND THE NOZZLE IS CHOKED, WITH  $Ma_2 = 1$  AND

$$\dot{m} = \dot{m}^* = P_a \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{R_g T_a}} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \quad (3)$$

USING (3) IN (2) LEADS TO  $\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d\rho_d}{dt} &= \frac{P_a \sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a}}{V} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \\ P_d(t) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$

SO THAT  $\frac{P_d(t)}{P_a} = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a}}{V} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} t$ . THE NOZZLE REMAINS CHOKED AS LONG

AS  $\frac{P_a}{P_d} > \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}}$ , SO THAT  $\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a}}{V} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} t^*$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ t^* = \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{1/2} \frac{V}{\sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a} A_2} \right] \quad (5) \quad \checkmark 10/10$$

c) FOR  $0 < t < t^*$  THE NOZZLE IS CHOKED ( $\dot{m} = \dot{m}^*$ ) AND

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d\rho_d}{dt} &= \frac{P_a}{V} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{R_g T_a}} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}, & \rho_d(0) &= 0 \\ \frac{dP_d}{dt} &= \frac{P_a}{V} \sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}, & P_d(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (6)$$

FOR  $t > t^*$  THE NOZZLE CEASES TO BE CHOKED AND  $\dot{m} = P_a \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{R_g T_a}} A_2 \left(\frac{2}{\gamma-1}\right)^{1/2} \left[\left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1\right]^{1/2} \left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2\gamma}}$

SO THAT  $\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d\rho_d}{dt} &= \frac{P_a}{V} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{R_g T_a}} A_2 \left(\frac{2}{\gamma-1}\right)^{1/2} \left[\left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1\right]^{1/2} \left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2\gamma}} \\ \frac{dP_d}{dt} &= \frac{P_a}{V} \sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a} A_2 \left(\frac{2}{\gamma-1}\right)^{1/2} \left[\left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} - 1\right]^{1/2} \left(\frac{P_a}{P_d}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2\gamma}} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (7)$

WHERE  $\left. \begin{aligned} \rho_d^* &= \frac{P_a}{V} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{R_g T_a}} A_2 \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{1/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma^3 R_g T_a} A_2} = \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} \frac{P_a}{\gamma R_g T_a} \\ P_d^* &= \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} P_a \end{aligned} \right\}$

ARE THE CRITICAL VALUES OF DENSITY AND TEMPERATURE. NORMALIZING  $\tilde{\rho} = \rho_d / \rho_c = \rho_d R_g T_a / P_a$ ,

$\tilde{P} = P_d / P_a$  AND  $\tilde{t} = t / t^*$ , EQUATIONS (6) AND (7) BECOME

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d\tilde{\rho}}{d\tilde{t}} &= \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} \\ \frac{d\tilde{P}}{d\tilde{t}} &= \left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (0 < \tilde{t} < 1), \text{ SUBJECT TO } \tilde{P}(0) = \tilde{\rho}(0) = 0 \quad (8)$$

CHOKED FLOW ( $\dot{m} = \text{CONST.}$ )

AND

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{d\tilde{g}}{d\tilde{z}} &= \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\tilde{z}}{\tilde{\delta}+1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\tilde{z}}{\tilde{\delta}-1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\tilde{P}^{1-\frac{\gamma}{\tilde{\delta}}}-1\right)^{1/2} \tilde{P}^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2\tilde{\delta}}} \\ \frac{d\tilde{P}}{d\tilde{z}} &= \left(\frac{\tilde{z}}{\tilde{\delta}+1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\tilde{z}}{\tilde{\delta}-1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\tilde{P}^{1-\frac{\gamma}{\tilde{\delta}}}-1\right)^{1/2} \tilde{P}^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2\tilde{\delta}}} \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} (1 < \tilde{z} < \infty) \quad (9) \\ \text{SUBJECT TO} \\ \tilde{g} = \tilde{g}^* = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\tilde{\delta}+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\tilde{\delta}-1}} \\ \text{AND } \tilde{P} = \tilde{P}^* = \gamma \tilde{g}^* \text{ AT } \tilde{z} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

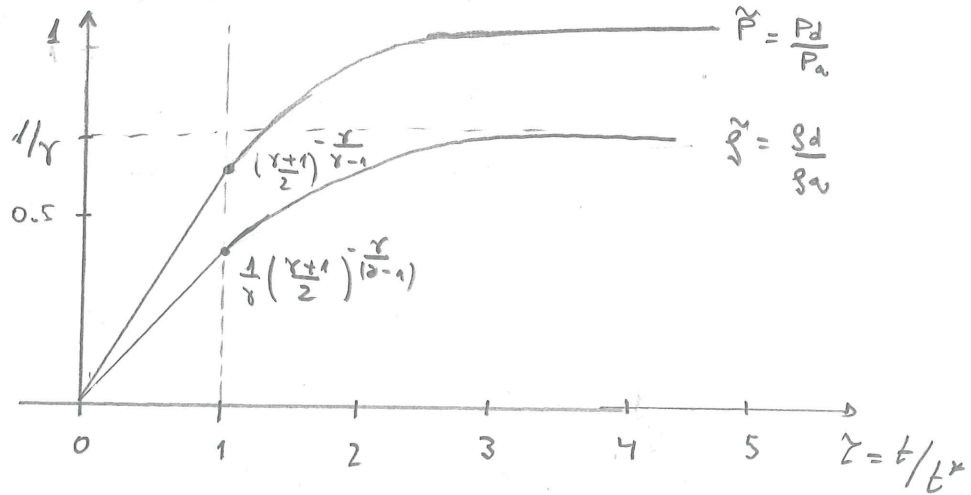
NON-CHOKED FLOW ( $\dot{m} \neq \text{CONST}$ )

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THE INTEGRATION OF EQS. (8) IS TRIVIAL AND YIELDS THE LINEAR VARIATIONS

$$\tilde{g} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{\tilde{\delta}+1}{2}\right)^{-\frac{\gamma}{\tilde{\delta}-1}} \tilde{z}, \quad \tilde{P} = \gamma \tilde{g} \quad (10)$$

THE INTEGRATION OF EQS. (9) DETERMINES THE TIME EVOLUTIONS  $\tilde{P}(\tilde{z})$  AND  $\tilde{g}(\tilde{z})$  WHEN THE CHAMBER IS FILLED ENOUGH SUCH THAT THE FLOW IS NOT CHOKED ANYMORE. THE INTEGRATION IS NOT STRAIGHTFORWARD, BUT A SKETCH OF THE SOLUTION IS GIVEN BELOW



CHOKED FLOW