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## SUMMARY

Various characteristics of a very uniform sonic jet of air that expands into a stationary atmosphere are determined experimentally and compared with a simple analysis and with existing analytical results. Comparison of the analysis is made with existing results of characteristic calculations.

## 1. Introduction

This report describes an investigation into the flow field of an axi-symmetric jet expanding from a circular convergent nozzle into a stationary atmosphere.

An early analytical study of this flow was made by Prandtl (Ref.1). It was based upon a model of a jet which was formed by small perturbation from a parallel and constant area flow. It was thus limited to values of the ratio of the jet outlet pressure, $p_{j}$, to the atmospheric pressure $p_{a}$, that were above but near to unity. For larger values of this pressure ratio many solutions have been obtained using the method of characteristics (Ref.2). Further studies have resulted in the presentation of relations that approximately express the results of the characteristics calculations (Ref.3).

All these analytical studies have excluded the effects of viscous mixing though the characteristics solutions have taken account of the presence of shock waves within the jet flow.

The previous experimental studies that have been reported were largely based upon optical methods (Ref.4). Some quantities, such as the diameter of the jet, are difficult to determine from schlieren observation and other characteristics, such as the quality of the jet flow at outlet, cannot be assessed. Interferometric studies have been used to obtain the variation of density throughout the jet (Ref.5) but when this is the only property measured a complete description of the flow is not possible. Descriptions of pitot tube and static tube traverse measurements have been given (Ref.6). In some cases the accuracy of these traverse measurements has been limited by the small size of the jet in comparison with that of the probes. Also difficulties in using probes near to the shock waves in the jet have been reported (Ref.4).

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In the work described here traverses were made by pitot and static tubes in a jet that issued from a nozzle with a high degree of uniformity at the nozzle outlet.

## 2. The Nozzle Design and Flow

The convergent nozzle that was used is illustrated in Fig.l. It was profile machined to a template that was made to conform closely to the ordinates of the two-dimensional contraction shape tabulated in Ref.7; the two-dimensional contraction ratio of 3.0 giving an area contraction through the circular nozzle of 9:1. The last 0.3 in of the nozzle at outlet was machined at a constant diameter of 0.5077 in and care was taken to remove any burrs at the outlet edge without rounding it. The outlet face of the nozzle was machined to be perpendicular to the nozzle axis, thus providing means of setting the traverse axis parallel to the nozzle axis and enabling the optical path for the schlieren and shadowgraph systems to be set perpendicularly to the nozzle axis.

At the upstream end of the nozzle two 32 mesh by 32 standard wire gauge wire gauzes were fixed across the pipe as shown in Fig.l. A further 12 diameters upstream from these gauzes a third one of 16 mesh by 16 standard wire gauge was fixed in a position just downstream of the control valve system.

Pressures were measured by liquid manometers or by Bourdon type gauges. The latter were frequently calibrated against an air operated dead-weight tester.

As a result of the care in design and manufacture of this apparatus the flow at outlet from the nozzle was very uniform. This is illustratec by the results of a pitot-tube traverse for a choked nozzle flow, that is shown in Fig.2. The variation in pitot-pressure, $p_{1}$, is seen to be symmetrical about the axis and the total variation is only $0.075 \%$ of the upstream static pressure, $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{o}}$.

## 3. Results of Shadowgraph Observations

The cellular structure of an expanding jet contains repetitions of either an olique shock system as shown in the sketch above Fig. 3 or it contains repetitions of a mixed oblique, normal shock system with a Mach intersection as sketched in Fig.6. In either case a viscous mixing region at the edge of the jet reduces the radial extent of these patterns with successive celluar repetitions.

To observe these patterns a shadongraph optical system was set up with great care, a second schlieren mirror being used to obtain a focussed image of approximately twice full size.

The upper curve of Fig.3. shows the results of measurements, from a shadowgraph picture, of the distance to the ends of the successive cells. The end of the cell was taken as that position where the reflected shock met the boundary of the circular jet, a position shown by a line, on the shadowgraph picture, perpendicular to the jet axis. The cells are seen to get progressively longer up to the third one; the fourth to the seventh
are all of the same length, successuvely the eighth onwards are of a common but now stialler length. Prandtl's analysis (Ref.l) gives the positions of the ends of successive cells as being proportional to the rooths of $J_{0}(x)=0$ where $J_{0}(x)$ is the Bessel function of the first kind of zero order. Differences of these roots are then proportional to the cell lengths, and values are plotted, as a ratio of the first root which is proportional to the first cell length, as squared points are indicated by a chain line in Fig.4. Also plotted are the measured cell lengths again as a ratio of the measured length of the first cell. Within the experimental scatter the trend of an observed increase in cell length up to the third cell followed by cells of constant length is seen to be predicted by Prandtl's analysis, though the latter gives numerical values generally above the experimental ones.

There was never any evidence from the shadowgraph observations, at any point within the range of pressures used in all the present tests, that the jet axis was other than straight and parallel to the nozzle axis. A careful traverse with a pitot-tube along a line perpendicular to the nozzle axis and 20 dameters downstream of the nozzle outlet gave a jet axis that was approximately 0.004 in, from the nozzle axis. This was within the accuracy of the plug gauge used to determine the nozzle axis. This result is in contrast to the lack of symmetry at some pressure ratios that was observed by Love et al (Ref.2). It may be that their jet flow was influenced by the straight sided shape of the nozzle that they used.

The lower curve of Fig. 3 shows the way in which the distances between successive shock intersections on the jet axis varied from cell to cell. These variations are seen to be markedly similar to those for the cell lengths.

Fig. 5 illustrates the result of measurements, from a shadowgraph picture, of the width of successive joints between cells. This width is scen to decrease linearly from cell to cell, a result in marked contrast to the previously descrabed varıation in the cell lengths.

As the ratio between the jet stagnation pressure and the surrounding atmosphere, $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{s}} / \mathrm{Pa}_{\mathrm{a}}$, is increased beyond a certain value, the oblique shock intersection on the axis of the first cell changes to a normal shock Hach intersection (Ref.2). To determine this bounding pressure ratio the width of the Mach shock was measured from the shadowgraph observations. Values are plotted against pressure ratio in Fig.6. An extrapolation to zero width gives the dividing pressure ratio as,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{s}}}{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{a}}}-1.893=1.58
$$

or

$$
\frac{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{s}}}{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{a}}}=3.47
$$

The results are replotted on log-log scales in Fig. 7 where they are seen to fit a straight line variation. This line is $g i v \in n$ by,

$$
\frac{w_{1}}{d_{j}}=\left[0.25 \frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-3.47\right]^{0.86}
$$

The position, within the first cell, of the intersection of the shock with the jet axis varies whth the pressure ratio. The observed positions are shown plotted in Fig. 8 . The results are seen to fit two straight line relations, the dividing point being given by the previously determined pressure ratio at which the width of the Mach shock becomes zero.

$$
\text { For an oblique shock intersection, at }\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right)<1.58
$$ the fitted line is given by

$$
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}}=0.76\left[\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right]^{0.61}
$$

For a Mach shock intersection, at $\left(\frac{\mathrm{P}_{S}}{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{a}}}-1.893\right)>1.58$, the fitted line is given by,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}}=0.84\left[\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right]^{0.415} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Some authors have expressed their results for the Mach shock position in the form (Refs.8, 9);

$$
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}} \propto\left[\frac{p_{s}}{p_{j}}\right]^{n}
$$

which for values of the pressure ratio such that $\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}} \gg 1.893$ is of the form of equation (1) used to fit the present results. Crist et al (Ref.9) have obtained experimental results that fit

$$
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}}=0.68\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}\right)^{0.49}
$$

Values given by this relation are shown as the chain line in Fig. 8 . They do not agree with the present results. However, as $D^{\prime}$ attorre and Harshbarger (Ref.8) have pointed out, their results $\ddagger i t$,

$$
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}} \propto\left[\frac{p_{j}}{p_{a}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}
$$

when conical nozzles are used and fit

$$
\frac{\ell_{1}}{d_{j}} \propto\left[\frac{p_{j}}{p_{a}}\right]^{\frac{5}{8}}
$$

when contoured nozzles are used. So the discrepancy just noted again may be due to differences in design of the nozzles.

No sign could be seen on the shadowgraph pictures of a second shock wave on the axis at a closer position to the nozzle outlet. Such a shock was observed by Love et al (Ref.2). In their case it mav have been a consequence of the use of a conical shape for the nozzle (Ref.10).

A means of estimating the position of the Mach shock has been proposed (Ref.ll). It is based on the assumption that the pressure on the axis behind the normal shock is equal to that of the atmosphere surrounding the jet. Calculations using this method give the results represented by the dotted line in Fig.8. Agreement is seen to be poor at the lower end of the Mach shock regime, and at the upper end this calculated curve is seen to cross the experimental one as was shown by Adamsnn (Ref.4). ${ }^{+}$

At the dividing point between the region of oblique shock intersection and that of Mach shock it is seen that $\ell_{1} / d_{j}=1.00$. In the absence of the shock, that is at a higher value of $p_{s} / p_{a}$, the Mach number at this position was carefully measured to be 2.545 (Ref.12). \& normal shock wave at this position would have a downstream Mach number, $M_{2}$, of 0.508 and correspondingly $\mathrm{p}_{2} / \mathrm{po}=0.402$. In comparison, with this Mach number of 2.545 upstream of an oblique shock reflected as another having a maximum deflection, the downstream Mach number is 0.92 and $\mathrm{P}_{2} / \mathrm{po}_{0}=0.458$. Thus this latter case is not the criterion for the onset of a Mach shock, and shadowgraph observation showed that at this bounding condition the shock intersection shape was as illustrated in Fig.9. This shows that an oblique shock intersection did not occur but that the upstream shock was rounded and concave forward on the axis. Beyond the region drawn in Fig.9. the adjacent shock system gave, to the accuracy observable, straight lines on the shadowgraph pictures.

In Fig. 10 the observed length of the first cell is shown plotted against the pressure ratio. Again the results fit two straight line relations, the dividing point corresponding to the point of onset of a Mach Wave. For the regime corresponding to the oblique shock intersection the curve shown can be represented by,

$$
\frac{\ell_{2}}{d_{j}}=1.16\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right)^{0.55}
$$

[^0]and for the region of Mach shock the curve is given by,
$$
\frac{\ell_{2}}{d_{j}}=1.33\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right)^{0.26}
$$

Now, at the dividing point, $\ell_{2} / \mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{j}}=1.50$.
The first of these relations is comparable with an empirical relation given by Love et al (Ref.2) which is equivalent to

$$
\frac{\ell_{2}}{d_{j}}=1.13\left(\frac{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{s}}}{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{a}}}-1.893\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}
$$

The differences are probably due to the differences in nozzle contour noted earlier.

An analytical solution giving the value of $\ell_{2} / \mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{j}}$ was obtained by Prandtl as (Ref.l);

$$
\frac{\ell_{2}}{\mathrm{~d}_{\mathrm{j}}}=1.2\left(\frac{\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{s}}}{\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{a}}}-1.893\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}
$$

Values given by this solution are shown as the upper, dotted curve of fig. 10 . This analysis was based upon the assumption of small perturbations about a parallel uniform jet. However, fig. 10 shows that the difference from the experimental values is greater for the lowest pressure ratios where the perturbations would be smallest. Better agreement is obtained at higher pressure ratios and in particular the analytical curve passes through the dividing point of $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{s}} / \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{g}}=3.47, \ell_{2} / \mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{j}}=1.50$. The theory of Prandtl was refined by Pack (Ref.13). Results of this latter analysis are shown plotted in Fig. 10 as the chain line. In the oblique shock region, compared with Prandtl's solution, that due to Pack gives a curve of lower slope whereas the experiments fall on one of greater slope. Other experimental results (Refs.6, 14) have suggested that Prandlt's relation is valid with modification of the coefficient of 1.2 to a lower value. The present results have shown however that the index of $\frac{1}{2}$ should be slightly higher at 0.55 in the oblique shock range.

The distance to the position of the maximum diameter of the first cell of the jet was not easily determined from the shadowgraph pictures. This is partly because in this region the diameter changes gently and partly because, as will be discussed later, there are marked viscous mixing effects at the boundary of the jet. Results obtained are shown in Fig.ll. The lack of precision in locating the position of the maximum diameter is shown by the scatter of the results shown in this Figure. Also plotted in this Figure are the results of calculation, by the method of characteristics, of the jet boundary (Ref.2). Within the large scatter there is agreement between the calculated and experimental results. Tentatively, two straight lines are drawn intersecting, as before, at $\mathrm{ps} / \mathrm{pa}=3.47$. They are expressed by the relations;

$$
\frac{\ell_{3}}{d_{j}}=-0.37\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right)^{1.11}
$$

for the oblique shock region, and by,

$$
\frac{\ell_{3}}{d_{j}}=0.48\left(\frac{p_{s}}{p_{a}}-1.893\right)^{0.48}
$$

for the Mach shock region.

## 4. Results of Pitot and Static Tube Traverses

At axial positions where, from the shadowgraph pictures, it was judged that the jet diameter in the first cell was a maximum, pitot and static tubes were traversed along a line perpendicular to the jet. The distributions of Mach number and pressure obtained are shown plotted for four pressure ratios in Figs.12(a) to (d).

The Mach number distribution shown in Fig.12a has a central isentropic core of almost uniform value out to $y / d_{j} \bumpeq 0.2$. At this position there is a rapid drop in Mach number with a corresponding rise in pressure. This position corresponds to the presence of a dark line on the shadowgraph picture which has been described as representing a shock wave. However, the experimental evidence suggests that the compression is gradual and isentropic. Just outside this compression region the measured pressure agrees reasonably with that computed from the pitot traverse which is shown by the dotted line. The discrepancy is possibly due to errors in the static tube reading arising from the presence of gradients in pressure and velocity along the line of traverse and to the flow being at an angle of yaw to the tube. Confirmation that this compression region is not a shock wave is given by the results of interferometer visualisation made by Ladenburg et al (Ref.5). Their results show a distributıon of densıty across this region that has not the sharpness associated with a shock wave. Fig.12(a) also shows that farther out the Mach number decreases towards the isentropic boundary value, then after rising slightly it falls through the outer viscous mixing region.

Figs.12(b), (c) and (d), show that with rising jet pressure the extent of the central core increases, the Mach number fall through the compression region increases, the outer peak in Mach number merges into the outer viscous mixing region and this outer mixing region thickness increases.

## 5. Mean Mach Number at the Maximum Diameter

From the Mach number distributions shown in Fig.12(a), to (d), mean Mach numbers were computed upon an area basis. These values are shown plotted against the corresponding pressure ratios in Fig. 13.

An analysis for the flow in the jet up to the first maximum diameter is given in Appendix I. It supplies a flow solution which is not an isentropic one. Values that it^gives for the ${ }^{\circ}$ mean Mach number at the maximum diameter are shown plotted as the solid line in Fig.l3. Values for an isentropic solution are shown plotted as the dashed line.

Firstly it is seen that the two analytical solutions are in close agreement down to the pressure ratio of 0.545 at which a Mach shock first appears. This agreement in the oblique wave region is consistent with the previous evidence that these waves are isentropic compressions. Below this pressure ratio the disagreement is consistent with the presence of the irreversible flow through the Mach shock wave.

Secondly it is seen that the experimental values are in agreement with the isentropic solution. This is apparently fortuitous for in both analytical solutions it is assumed that the pressure is uniform at atmospheric across the maximum diameter. The pressure distributions in Fig. 12 show that this is not so, the lower pressure in the centre resulting in an enhanced Mach number there. Agreement then only occurs because of the reduced Mach number through the mixing region.

## 6. Jet Maximum Cross-Sectional Area

The analysis in Appendix I has also been used to calculate the maximum cross-sectional area of the jet. Values are shown plotted as the solid line in Fig.14. Also, the values are given for an isentropic jet plotted as the upper chain line. The former non-isentropic, solution is seen to be in better agreement with experimental measurements from the shadowgraph pictures. These experimental values are seen to lie below the analytical ones. The biggest discrepancy occurs at the pressure ratio of 0.545 where the Mach shock first appears. In this region there is a marked kink in the variation of the shadowgraph values.

Rayleigh (Ref.15) extended Prandlt's analysis (Ref.1) to give the shape of the jet boundary. Using the approximation made by Prandlt in deriving the previous equation for $\ell_{2}$, Rayleigh's result can be used to give

$$
\frac{A_{m}}{A_{j}}=1+\frac{0.54\left(\frac{p_{j}}{p_{a}}-1\right)^{2}}{1+1.8\left(\frac{p_{j}}{p_{a}}-1\right)}
$$

Results computed from this equation agree closely with the isentropic flow solution, shown in Fig.14, for values of $\mathrm{Pa} / \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{j}}$ between 0.4 and 1.0.

Results of character: stic calculations (Ref.2) are also plotted in Fig.13. They are seen to satisfy the straight line variation shown as a dash line.

Three sets of values, obtained from the traverse results given in Fig.12, are also shown plotted. They are taken as corresponding to the outer diameter of the mixing region where the Mach number is zero, as the inner edge of the linear variation of the Mach number in the mixing region, and as the inner edge of the mixing region where the slope of the Mach number distribution has a minimum value. In each of these three cases a linear variation is obtained in Fig. 14.

It is seen that the viscous mixing region has a most marked effect upon the maximum cross-sectional area, thus limiting severely the value of calculations that ignore this effect such as both the present analysis and the characteristics calculations.

The slopes of these four linear variations, that is $\frac{d\left(A_{j} / A_{m}\right)}{d\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)}$ are respectively.
(a) For the characteristic results, $1.44^{*}$
(b) For the outer viscous zone diameter, 1.17
(c) For the intermediate viscous zone diameter, 1.67
(d) For the inner viscous zone diameter, 1.90

The corresponding slope at the origin given by the present analysis (Appendix Eqn A.6) is, for $M_{j}=1.0$ and $\gamma=1.4$,

$$
\frac{d\left(A_{j} / A_{m}\right)}{d\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)}=2.80
$$

and so in the region of large jet pressure ratio, $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{j}} / \mathrm{pa}$, the present analysis gives a serious underestimate of the jet expansion.

The results shown in Fig. 14 suggest that, over the lower portion of the range of $\mathrm{Pa}_{\mathrm{a}} / \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{j}}$, there is a linear variation for $\mathrm{A}_{j} / \mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{m}}$ both for the experimental values from the traverse readings and for the numerical values obtained by the characteristics solutions. There is thus value in deriving general relations that satisfy the characteristics solution for small values of $\mathrm{Pa}_{\mathrm{a}} / \mathrm{pj}_{\mathrm{j}}$. This is conveniently now done by forming comparisons with the present analysis given in Appendix $I$.

As indicated in Fig. 15 , for the range $0 \leqslant p_{a} / p_{j} \leqslant 0.1$, the results of characteristics calculations (Ref.2) can be expressed in the form,

$$
\left(A_{j} / A_{m}\right)=\alpha\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)+\beta\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)^{2}
$$

[^1]which for brevity is written,
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$$
\begin{equation*}
A_{1}=\alpha P_{1}+B P_{1}^{2} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

\]

and where $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are functions of $M_{j}$ and the results of Fig. 15 are for $\gamma=1.4$. Fig. 15 and Eqn.(2) show that, for the characteristics results, as $P_{1} \rightarrow 0, A_{1} \propto P_{1}$. This is the result given by Lord (Ref.3). It disagrees with another approximate solution (Ref.16) which for $\gamma=1.4$ gives $A_{1} \propto P_{1}^{0.572}$

Indicating the value of $d\left(A_{j} / A_{m}\right) / d\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)$ for the present solution by $A_{2}$ then, from Eqn $A .6$, when $p_{a} / p_{j}=0$

$$
A_{2}^{F}=\frac{1+\gamma M_{j}^{2}}{M_{j}^{2}-\frac{Y-1}{2 \gamma}}
$$

For $1.0 \leqslant M_{j} \leqslant+\infty$ then correspondingly $2 \gamma \leqslant A_{2}^{-} \geqslant \gamma$. A comparison at common values of $M_{j}$ is found to give the following results,

$$
a-1=0.3\left(A_{2}^{-}-\gamma\right)^{\sqrt{3}}
$$

and

$$
B=-\left(2 \gamma-A_{2}^{\prime}\right)^{2}
$$

For high values of $\mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{j}}$ for example for $\mathrm{M}_{\mathrm{j}} \geqslant 3$ these results give

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha=1 \\
& \beta=-\gamma^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

so that from Eqn. (2)

$$
A_{1}=P_{1}-\gamma_{1}^{2} P_{1}^{2}
$$

The results of characteristic solutions that have just been used were for $\gamma=1.4$ and so these results cannot be justified for other values of $\gamma$. For the present analysis, Eqn.A.7 shows that for $M_{j}=1.0$,

$$
A_{2}=2 \gamma
$$

From Fig. 14, the outer diameter of the jet corresponds to

$$
A_{2}^{A}=1.17
$$

If this is also proportional to $\gamma$ then for steam for which $\gamma=1.2$,

$$
A_{2}^{\prime}=1.0
$$

a result that was found experimentally by Benson (Ref.17).

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| A | Cross-section area of jet |
| :---: | :---: |
| $A_{1}$ | $\equiv A_{j} / A_{m}$ |
| $A_{2}^{\prime}$ | $\equiv d\left(A_{j} / A_{m}\right) / d\left(p_{a} / p_{j}\right)$ |
| $A_{j}$ | Cross-section area of jet at nozzle outlet |
| $\mathrm{A}_{\mathrm{m}}$ | Maximum cross-section area of jet |
| $\mathrm{d}_{\mathrm{j}}$ | Diameter of jet at nozzle outlet |
| $\mathrm{J}_{0}(\mathrm{x})$ | Bessel function of first kind of zero order |
| $\ell_{1}$ | Distance to oblique shock intersection |
| $\ell_{2}$ | Length of first cell of jet |
| $\ell_{3}$ | Distance to cell maximum diameter |
| $\dot{m}_{m}$ | Mass flow rate of cell maximum diameter |
| $M_{j}$ | Jet Mach number at nozzle outlet |
| $M_{m}$ | Jet Mach number at cell maximum diameter |
| n | Index (Eqn. following eqn.(1)) |
| p | Pressure |
| $p_{0}$ | Static pressure in settling length |
| $\mathrm{P}_{1}$ | Pitot pressure |
| $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{a}}$ | Ambient pressure |
| $p_{j}$ | Jet pressure at nozzle outlet |
| $\mathrm{P}_{\text {s }}$ | Stagnation pressure in settling length |
| $\mathrm{P}_{1}$ | $\equiv \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{a}} / \mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{j}}$ |
| $u_{j}$ | Jet velucity at nozzle outlet |
| $\mathrm{u}_{\text {m }}$ | Jet velocity at cell maximum diameter |
| T | Jet thrust |
| ${ }^{W} 1$ | Diameter of Mach shock |
| $\mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{e}}$ | External force |
| $\mathrm{X}_{\mathrm{i}}$ | Internal force |


| $\mathbf{y}$ | Radial ordinate |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ | Coefficient (Eqn.2) |
| $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ | Coefficient (Eqn. 2) |
| $\boldsymbol{\gamma}$ | Ratio of specific heats |

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## APPENDIX

## Elementary Analysis of Jet Flow

A model of the flow of an axisymmetric jet expanding from a container through a nozzle into a stationary atmosphere is shown in Fig.16. The following assumptions are made;
(a) There is no mixing of the jet with the surrounding atmosphere
(b) The pressure along the jet boundary and across section $m$ of the jet is atmospneric
(c) The jet flow is uniform at station $j$ and $m$.

A control volume, indicated I in Fig.l6, is drawn to-cross the jet at section $m$ where the jet cross-sectional area reaches its first maximum value. The thrust, $T$, is then given by

$$
\begin{equation*}
T=\int u_{m} d \dot{m}_{m} \tag{A.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

A second control volume is drawn around the internal surfaces of the container and across the jet at section $j$. Then if $X_{i}$ is the force on the interior of the nozzle and container,

$$
\begin{equation*}
-x_{i}-p_{j} A_{j}=\int u_{j} d \dot{n}_{j} \tag{A.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

A third control volume is drawn to contain the jet between stations $j$ and m. Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
p_{j} A_{j}-p_{m} A_{m}+\int_{j}^{m} p d A=\int u_{m} d \dot{m}_{m}-\int u_{j} d \dot{m}_{m} \tag{A.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where the integral on the left hand side is taken over the jet boundary.
The external force upon the nozzle and the container is given by,

$$
x_{e}=p_{a} A_{j}
$$

Combining this relation with Eqs. A1 and A2 and introducing assumption (b) above, gives the total force as

$$
X_{i}+X_{e}=-T
$$

which indicates the feasibility of the flow model.

Introducing assuroption (c) into Eqn.A. 3 results in,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{P_{a}}{P_{j}}\left[\frac{A_{j}}{A_{m}}+\gamma M_{m}^{2}\right]=\frac{A_{j}}{A_{m}}\left[1+\gamma M_{j}{ }^{2}\right] \tag{A.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Using assumption (a), the equation of contrnuity gives,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{A_{i}}{A_{m}}=\frac{M_{m} p_{a}}{M_{j} P_{j}}\left[\frac{1+\frac{Y-1}{2} M_{m}^{2}}{1+\frac{Y-1}{2} M_{j}^{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \tag{A.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus Eqns. $A .4$ and $A .5$ are simultaneous ones giving solutions for $A_{j} / A_{m}$ and $M_{m}$ in terms of $p_{d} / p_{j}$ and $M_{j}$.

When $p_{a} / p_{j} \rightarrow 0$, then $A_{j} / A_{m} \rightarrow 0$ and then from Eqn. A. 4

$$
\frac{p_{a} / p_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}} \rightarrow \frac{2+\gamma M_{j}^{2}}{Y M_{m}^{2}}
$$

whilst from Eqn.A. 5

$$
\frac{P_{a} / P_{i}}{A_{j} / A_{m}}+\frac{M_{i}}{M_{m}}\left[\frac{1+\frac{r-1}{2} M_{j}^{2}}{1+\frac{r-1}{2} M_{m}^{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}
$$

Equating those two relations gives,

$$
M_{m}^{2} \rightarrow \frac{\left(1+r M_{j}{ }^{2}\right)^{2}}{\gamma M_{j}{ }^{2}-\frac{r-1}{2}}
$$

whilst substitution of this in turn gives,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{p_{a} / p_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}} \rightarrow \frac{M_{j}^{2}-\frac{Y-1}{2 \gamma}}{1+\gamma M_{j}^{2}} \tag{A.S}
\end{equation*}
$$

For $M_{j}=1$ these last two relations give

$$
M_{m}^{2}=2(\gamma+1)
$$

and

$$
\frac{P_{a} / P_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}}=\frac{2}{2 r}
$$

$$
\ldots(A .7)
$$

Whilst as $M_{j} \rightarrow \infty$

$$
M_{m}^{2} / M_{j}^{2}+Y
$$

and

$$
\frac{p_{a} / p_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}}+\frac{1}{\gamma}
$$

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## FIGS $1 \& 2$

FIG.)


FIG. 2


Distribution of total pressure of the nozzle outlet

- Cell end

O Shock intersection


Distances to the cell ends and the shock intersections

- Prandti's analysis

O Experimental values


Cell lengths

$$
\frac{1}{\frac{30371}{\text { FiG.5 }}}
$$



Width of cell joints
$\frac{30371}{\text { F1G. } 6}$



Width of Mach shock


Width of Mach shock


Distance to the first shock intersection with the axis


Shadowgraph of shock intersection


Length of the first cell

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FIG. II


O Shadowgraph
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O Mach number, M
$\Delta$ Static pressure, $p / p_{a}$


Mach number and static pressure distribution across the first maximum diameter of the jet

$$
\frac{30371}{\mathrm{~F}^{-} .12 \mathrm{~b}}
$$



Mach number and static pressure distribution across the first maximum diameter of the jet


Mach number and static pressure distribution across the first maximum diameter of the jet

FIG.12d


Mach number and static pressure distribution across the first
maximum diameter of the jet


Mean Mach number

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FIG. 14.
—_ Present analysis
--- Isentropic flow

- Shadowgraph
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}x & \text { Outer dia. } \\ + & \text { Inner linear limit } \\ Y & \text { Inner edge mixing }\end{array}\right\} \begin{aligned} & \text { Traverse } \\ & \text { readings }\end{aligned} \quad$ Slope $=\left\{\begin{array}{l}1.17 \\ 1.67 \\ 1.90\end{array}\right.$
$\Delta$ L.G.L.W. characteristics solution
Slope $=1.44$


Cross-sectional area at the first maximum diameter


Cross-sectional area at the first maximum diameter Ref?

FIG. 16

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and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{p_{a} / P_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}}=\frac{2}{2 \gamma} \tag{A.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Whilst as $M_{j} \rightarrow \infty$

$$
M_{m}^{2} / M_{j}^{2} \rightarrow Y
$$

and

$$
\frac{p_{a} / p_{j}}{A_{j} / A_{m}}+\frac{1}{\gamma}
$$


[^0]:    + The corresponding analysis by Crist et al (Ref.9) gave a curve lower by about 27\%

[^1]:    * This value is obtained by fitting a straight line through the three points available and so the slope is different from that given later.

