R. & M. No. 2865 (14,473, 14,475, 14,476) A.R.C. Technical Report

Reyal Aircraft Establishment 1 5 JUL 1955

LIBRARY



N.A.E.

# MINISTRY OF SUPPLY

AERONAUTICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL REPORTS AND MEMORANDA

# Some Applications of the Lamé Function Solutions of the Linearised Supersonic Flow Equations

Part I.—Finite Swept-back Wings with Symmetrical Sections and Rounded Leading Edges

Part II .-- Cambered and Twisted Wings

By

G. M. ROPER, M.A., Ph.D.

Crown Copyright Reserved

# LONDON: HER MAJESTY'S STATIONERY OFFICE 1955

ELEVEN SHILLINGS NET

# Some Applications of the Lamé Function Solutions of the Linearised Supersonic Flow Equations

Part I.—Finite Swept-back Wings with Symmetrical Sections and Rounded Leading Edges

Part II.-Cambered and Twisted Wings

Bу

G. M. ROPER, M.A., Ph.D.

Boyal Alreraft Establishment 1 5 JUL 1955 LIBRARY

Communicated by the Principal Director of Scientific Research (Air), Ministry of Supply

Reports and Memoranda No. 2865\*

August, 1951

Summary and Introduction.—Some general solutions of the linearised equations of supersonic flow, in terms of Lamé functions, were obtained by G. M. Roper<sup>1,2</sup> (1949, 1950), using the methods of Robinson<sup>3.5</sup> (1946, 1948) and Squire<sup>4</sup> (1947). The results were applied to calculate: (a) the pressure distribution over some swept-back wings at zero lift, having symmetrical sections with rounded leading edges<sup>1</sup>; (b) the effect of camber and twist on the pressure distribution and drag on some wings of negligible thickness<sup>2</sup>. The solutions are only valid for surfaces lying wholly within the Mach cone of the apex.

In the present paper, some further special solutions are found. In Part I, some of these solutions are combined with solutions already found<sup>1,4</sup> to give : (A) the pressure distribution and wave drag, at zero lift, on some finite unyawed swept-back wings having symmetrical sections with rounded leading edges and wing tips perpendicular to the wind direction; (B) the change in pressure distribution and wave drag at zero lift on the surface of a Squire wing<sup>4</sup>, when the local thickness/chord ratio is modified.

The shapes of some curved wings, with swept-back subsonic leading edges were found by Roper<sup>2</sup> (1950), such that the thrust loading on the leading edges, at supersonic speeds, is removed or modified. In Part II of this paper, the effect of a change of Mach number on the aerodynamic characteristics of such a wing, designed for a given Mach number, is calculated.

Some additional solutions of the linearised supersonic flow equations, applicable to cambered and twisted wings, have also been calculated, and the results are given in Appendices III and IV of Part II.

1

- \*R.A.E. Tech. Note Aero. 2117, received 13th December, 1951.
- R.A.E. Report Aero. 2436, received 13th December, 1951.

R.A.E. Report Aero. 2437, received 13th December, 1951.

A

## PART I

# Finite Swept-back Wings with Symmetrical Sections and Rounded Leading Edges

1. Introduction.—In a previous paper<sup>1</sup>, the results of certain general solutions of the linearised differential equations of supersonic flow are applied to find the pressure distribution over some swept-back wings, with rounded leading edges, whose equations are of the form

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = f(x, y^2) \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} \,.$$

x is measured downstream from the apex, y is measured to starboard, and z is measured vertically upwards. c is the chord in the vertical plane of symmetry,  $\gamma(=\cot^{-1}k)$  is the apex semi-angle in the horizontal plane of symmetry, and  $t_0$  is a constant proportional to the maximum thickness. The surfaces are symmetrical with respect to the xy and zx-planes, and are set symmetrically to the wind direction, with the apex pointing against the stream. The Mach angle  $m(=\csc^{-1}M)$ is greater than the semi-apex angle  $\gamma$ .

In this paper, the special solutions which give the flow over surfaces of the above form, with  $f(x, y^2)$  a function of degree 3, 4 or 5 in x and y, are found. Certain of these solutions are combined with others already found<sup>1,4</sup> to give: (i) the pressure distribution and wave drag, at zero incidence, on some swept-back wings having symmetrical sections, rounded leading edges, a trailing edge parabolic in plan-form, and wing tips perpendicular to the root chord; (ii) the change in pressure distribution and drag on the surface of a Squire wing<sup>4</sup>, when the local thickness/chord ratio is modified. Method (ii) could be applied to any surface of a similar type.

By modifying the thickness distribution, in particular by increasing the thickness of the sections near the wing tips, it is believed that the peak suction on the upper surface near the leading edge, at incidence, will be reduced, and that the chance of realising the suction force predicted by theory will be improved. Wind-tunnel tests show only part of the theoretical suction force on the basic Squire wing.

2. Method of Solution.—The co-ordinates used are the pseudo-orthogonal co-ordinates introduced by Robinson<sup>2</sup> (1946), where

$$x = \frac{\beta r \mu \nu}{hk}, \quad y = \frac{r(\mu^2 - h^2)^{1/2} (\nu^2 - h^2)^{1/2}}{\beta h}, \quad z = \frac{r(\mu^2 - k^2)^{1/2} (k^2 - \nu^2)^{1/2}}{\beta k}, \quad (1)$$

$$\beta^{2} = M^{2} - 1 = \cot^{2} m = k^{2} - h^{2} k^{2} = \cot^{2} \gamma, \quad h^{2} = \cot^{2} \gamma - \cot^{2} m$$

It is assumed that the surfaces all lie close to the basic plate, whose equation is  $\mu = k$ , (z = 0), and that the induced velocities on the surface are small and equal to the induced velocities on the plate. Therefore the relation between the shape of the body and its induced velocity potential  $\phi$  is of the form

where V is the free-stream velocity.

For the linearised theory, the pressure coefficient is

The required solutions of the linearised differential equation for the velocity potential  $\phi$ , in terms of r,  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$  (equation (5) of R. & M. 2700<sup>1</sup>) are given by combinations of solutions of the form  $\phi_{\nu}^{\ m} = C_{\nu} r^{n} F_{\nu}^{\ m}(\mu) E_{\nu}^{\ m}(\nu),$ 

where 
$$E_n^m(v)$$
 is a standard Lamé function of degree *n* of the *K* class, and  $F_n^m(\mu)$  is the second Lamé function given by<sup>1,6</sup>

Solutions for n = 1, 2 are given by Squire<sup>4</sup> (1947), and solutions for n = 3 by Roper<sup>1</sup> (1949). Solutions for n = 4, 5, 6 will now be found.

3. Solutions for 
$$n = 4$$
. For  $n = 4$ , there are three K functions of the form  
 $E_4^m(\mu) = \mu^4 - a_m \mu^2 + b_m$ ,  $(m = 1, 2, 3)$  ... (6)

where  $a_m$ ,  $b_m$  are positive constants.

Substituting (6) in the linearised differential equation for  $\phi$  in terms of r,  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$ , or using relation (1) of Appendix II of Ref. 1, it can be shown that

$$49a_{m}{}^{'3} - 98(1 + \varkappa^{2})a_{m}{}^{'2} + \{48(1 + \varkappa^{2})^{2} + 52\varkappa^{2}\}a_{m}{}^{'} - 48\varkappa^{2}(1 + \varkappa^{2}) = 0;$$

$$10b_{m}{}^{'} = 7a_{m}{}^{'2} - 6(1 + \varkappa^{2})a_{m}{}^{'} + 6\varkappa^{2},$$

$$(7)$$

and hence

$$245b_{m}{}'^{3} - [56(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} + 77\varkappa^{2}]b_{m}{}'^{2} + \varkappa^{2}[24(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} - 37\varkappa^{2}]b_{m}{}' - 3\varkappa^{6} = 0$$
  
where  $a_{m}{}' = a_{m}/k^{2}$ ,  $b_{m}{}' = b_{m}/k^{4}$ ,  $\varkappa^{2} = h^{2}/k^{2}$ .

For a given value of  $\varkappa^2$ , equations (7) can be solved for  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$  to any required degree of accuracy. Horner's approximation method has been used to calculate the three values of  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$  correct to six decimal places, for  $\varkappa^2 = 0.19$  and  $\varkappa^2 = 2/3$ . The values are given in Appendix I.

We consider the solution

$$\phi_{m} = C_{4} r^{4} F_{4}^{m}(\mu) . E_{4}^{m}(\nu) \equiv C_{4} r^{4} E_{4}^{m}(\mu) . E_{4}^{m}(\nu) . R_{4}^{m}(\mu) . \qquad (8)$$

At the plate,  $\mu \rightarrow k$ , and

and, using relation (3), it can be shown that (cf. equation (20) of R. & M. 2700<sup>1</sup>)

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} = \frac{-C_4}{V\beta^4 E_4^{m}(k)} \left[ \frac{(h^4 - a_m h^2 + b_m)x^4 + (a_m h^2 - 2b_m)\beta^2 x^2 y^2 + b_m \beta^4 y^4}{(x^2 - k^2 y^2)^{1/2}} \right] \quad ..$$
(10)

and therefore

It can be shown that

$$\left(\frac{\partial\phi_m}{\partial x}\right)_{\mu=k} = \frac{C_4}{\beta^4} \left(k^4 - a_m k^2 + b_m\right) \left[4(h^4 - a_m h^2 + b_m)x^3 + 2\beta^2 x y^2 (a_m h^2 - 2b_m)\right] R_4^m(k), \quad (12)$$

where (see Appendix II, R. & M. 2700<sup>1</sup>),

$$R_{4}(k) = \frac{1}{2k(a_{m}^{2} - 4b_{m})} \left[ \frac{K(\varkappa)}{h^{2}} \left\{ \frac{a_{m}}{b_{m}} + \frac{2h^{2} - a_{m}}{h^{4} - a_{m}h^{2} + b_{m}} \right\} - k^{2}E(\varkappa) \left\{ \frac{1}{h^{2}k^{2}} \frac{a_{m}}{b_{m}} + \frac{1}{\beta^{2}h^{2}} \left( \frac{2h^{2} - a_{m}}{h^{4} - a_{m}h^{2} + b_{m}} \right) - \frac{1}{\beta^{2}k^{2}} \left( \frac{2k^{2} - a_{m}}{k^{4} - a_{m}k^{2} + b_{m}} \right) \right\} \right], \qquad (13)$$

 $K(\varkappa)$ ,  $E(\varkappa)$  being the complete elliptic integrals of the first and second kind respectively, of modulus  $\varkappa(=h/k)$ .

If we construct a potential

$$\Phi_4 = \sum_{m=1}^3 \left( \lambda_m E_4{}^m(k) \phi_m \right),$$

where the  $\lambda_m$ 's are chosen so that the coefficient of

$$y^4 \int \frac{dx}{(x^2 - k^2 y^2)^{1/2}}$$

in (11) is zero, we obtain the solution for a surface whose equation is of the form  $z = (c_1 x^3 + c_2 x y^2)(x^2 - k^2 y^2)^{1/2}$ , where  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  are constants.

We shall construct solutions for the two surfaces whose equations are of the form

(a) 
$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{x^3}{c^3} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

(b) 
$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{k^2 x y^2}{c^3} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$
.

(a) The surface 
$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{x^3}{c^3} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$
 at zero incidence.

If  $\Phi_4$  is the induced velocity potential for flow past surface (a), it can be shown that

$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m} b_{m}) = 0$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m} a_{m}) = -\frac{3k^{2}}{(\beta^{2} h^{2})}$$
, ... ... (14)
$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m}) = (k^{2} - 4h^{2})/(\beta^{2} h^{4})$$

if  $C_4$  is chosen so that

Solving (14), and using the notation of equation (7), we obtain

$$k^{4} \Delta \lambda_{3} = \frac{-1}{\varkappa^{2}(1-\varkappa^{2})} \left[ 3(b_{1}'-b_{2}') - \frac{(1-4\varkappa^{2})}{\varkappa^{2}} (a_{1}'b_{2}'-a_{2}'b_{1}') \right] , \qquad (16)$$

and two similar expressions for  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ , where

$$\Delta \equiv \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a_1' & a_2' & a_3' \\ b_1' & b_2' & b_3' \end{vmatrix}$$

The pressure coefficient is

where the  $\lambda_m$ 's are given by (16).

(b) The surface  $\frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{k^2 x y^2}{c^3} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$  at zero incidence.

If  $\Phi_4$  is the induced velocity potential for flow past surface (b), it can be shown that

$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m}b_{m}) = -\frac{k^{4}}{\beta^{4}}$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m}a_{m}) = -\frac{2k^{2}}{\beta^{4}}$$
, ... ... ... (18)
$$\sum_{m=1}^{3} (\lambda_{m}) = \frac{(k^{2} - 2h^{2})k^{2}}{h^{4}\beta^{4}}$$

if  $C_4$  is again as chosen in (15).

Hence we obtain

$$k^{4} \Delta \lambda_{3} = -\frac{1}{(1-\varkappa^{2})^{2}} \left[ 2(b_{1}' - b_{2}') - (a_{1}' - a_{2}') - \frac{1-2\varkappa^{2}}{\varkappa^{4}} (a_{1}'b_{2}' - a_{2}'b_{1}') \right], \quad (19)$$

and two similar expressions for  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$ . The pressure coefficient is given by (17), where the  $\lambda_m$ 's are given by (19).

The values of  $a_m'$ ,  $b_{m'}$  and the corresponding values of  $\lambda_m$  for surfaces (a) and (b), for  $\varkappa^2 = 0.19$  and  $\varkappa^2 = 2/3$ , are given in Appendix I.

4. Solutions for n = 5.—For n = 5, there are three K functions of the form

 $E_5^{m}(\mu) = \mu^5 - a_m \mu^3 + b_m \mu, \quad m = 1, 2, 3. \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (20)$ It can be shown that : (using notation of (7))

$$27a_{m'^{3}} - 60(1+\varkappa^{2})a_{m'^{2}} + [32(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} + 44\varkappa^{2}]a_{m'} - 40\varkappa^{2}(1+\varkappa^{2}) = 0 \quad ..$$
 (21)

 $14b_{m'} = 9a_{m'}{}^{2} - 8(1 + \varkappa^{2})a_{m'} + 10\varkappa^{2} \ .$ and . . (22): : :: : : . . The solution

$$\phi_{m} = C_{5} r^{5} F_{5}^{m}(\mu) E_{5}^{m}(\nu) \equiv C_{5} r^{5} E_{5}^{m}(\mu) E_{5}^{m}(\nu) R_{5}^{m}(\mu)$$

gives the flow over the surface

If we construct a potential

$$\Phi_{5} = \sum_{m=1}^{3} \left[ \lambda_{m} k (k^{4} - a_{m} k^{2} + b_{m}) \phi_{m} \right]$$
 ,

the  $\lambda_m$ 's can be chosen so that  $\Phi_5$  gives the flow over any surface of the form

$$z=(c_{\rm 1}x^{\rm 4}+c_{\rm 2}x^{\rm 2}y^{\rm 2}+c_{\rm 3}y^{\rm 4})(x^{\rm 2}-k^{\rm 2}y^{\rm 2})^{\rm 1/2}$$
 ,

where  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$ ,  $c_3$  are constants.

For the particular surface

$$\frac{z}{2t^0} = \frac{k^4 y^4}{c^4} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} ,$$

it can be shown that

if  $C_{\mathfrak{s}}$  is chosen so that

and hence we obtain

$$k^{4} \Delta (1 - \varkappa^{2})^{2} \lambda_{1} = - \left[ (a_{2}' - a_{3}') - \frac{2}{\varkappa^{2}} (b_{2}' - b_{3}') - \frac{1}{\varkappa^{4}} (a_{2}' b_{3}' - a_{3}' b_{2}') \right] \qquad \dots \qquad (26)$$

and two similar formulae for  $\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_3$ , where

The pressure coefficient is

where (see Appendix II, R. & M. 27001)

$$k^{11}R_{5}^{m}(k) = \frac{1}{2\varkappa^{2}(a_{m}^{\ \prime 2} - 4b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})} \left[ \frac{3\{E(\varkappa) - K(\varkappa)\}(2\varkappa^{2} - \overline{1 + \varkappa^{2}}a_{m}^{\ \prime} + a_{m}^{\ \prime 2} - 2b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})}{(\varkappa^{4} - a_{m}^{\ \prime }\varkappa^{2} + b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})(1 - a_{m}^{\ \prime } + b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})} - \frac{\{2(1 + \varkappa^{2})E(\varkappa) - (2 + \varkappa^{2})K(\varkappa)\}\{a_{m}^{\ \prime }\varkappa^{2} - (1 + \varkappa^{2})(a_{m}^{\ \prime 2} - 2b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime}) + a_{m}^{\ \prime \prime}(a_{m}^{\ \prime 2} - 3b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})\}}{b_{m}^{\ \prime }(\varkappa^{4} - a_{m}^{\ \prime }\varkappa^{2} + b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})(1 - a_{m}^{\ \prime } + b_{m}^{\ \prime \prime})} \right].$$
(29)

The values of  $a_{m'}$ ,  $b_{m'}$ ,  $\lambda_{m}$  for  $\varkappa^{2} = 0.48$  are given in Appendix II.

5. Solutions for n = 6.—For n = 6, there are four K functions of the form

$$E_{6}^{m}(\mu) = \mu^{6} - a_{m}\mu^{4} + b_{m}\mu^{2} - c_{m}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (30)$$

where (using the notation of (7) and  $c_{\rm\scriptscriptstyle m}{}^\prime=c_{\rm\scriptscriptstyle m}/k^6)$ 

$$1331a_{m'^{4}} - 5324(1 + \varkappa^{2})a_{m'^{3}} + [6908(1 + \varkappa^{2})^{2} + 3234\varkappa^{2}]a_{m'^{2}} - [2880(1 + \varkappa^{2})^{3} + 7764\varkappa^{2}(1 + \varkappa^{2})]a_{m'} + [4320\varkappa^{2}(1 + \varkappa^{2})^{2} + 315\varkappa^{4}] = 0 \quad ..$$
(31)

$$18b_{m}' = 11a_{m}'^{2} - 10(1 + \varkappa^{2})a_{m}' + 15\varkappa^{2}, \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (32a)$$

The solution

$$\phi_m = C_6 r^6 F_6^m(\mu) E_6^m(\nu) = C_6 r^6 E_6^m(\mu) E_6^m(\nu) R_6^m(\mu)$$

gives the flow over the surface

$$z = \frac{-C_{6}}{V\beta^{6}(k^{6} - a_{m}k^{4} + b_{m}k^{2} - c_{m})} \bigg[ \{ (h^{6} - a_{m}h^{4} + b_{m}h^{2} - c_{m})(\frac{1}{6}x^{5} + \frac{5}{24}k^{2}x^{3}y^{2} + \frac{5}{16}k^{4}xy^{4}) + \beta^{2}(a_{m}h^{4} - 2b_{m}h^{2} + 3c_{m})y^{2}(\frac{1}{4}x^{3} + \frac{3}{8}k^{2}xy^{2}) + \beta^{4}(b_{m}h^{2} - 3c_{m})(\frac{1}{2}xy^{4}) \} (x^{2} - k^{2}y^{2})^{1/2} + \{\frac{5}{16}k^{6}(h^{6} - a_{m}h^{4} + b_{m}h^{2} - c_{m}) + \frac{3}{8}k^{4}\beta^{2}(a_{m}h^{4} - 2b_{m}h^{2} + 3c_{m}) + \frac{1}{2}k^{2}\beta^{4}(b_{m}h^{2} - 3c_{m}) + \beta^{6}c_{m}\}y^{6} \int \frac{dx}{(x^{2} - k^{2}y^{2})^{1/2}} \bigg].$$
(33)

If we construct a potential

$$\Phi_{6} = \sum_{m=1}^{4} \left[ \lambda_{m} (k^{6} - a_{m}k^{4} + b_{m}k^{2} - c_{m})\phi_{m} \right],$$

the  $\lambda_m$ 's can be chosen so that  $\Phi_6$  gives the flow over any surface of the form  $z = (c_1 x^5 + c_2 x^3 y^2 + c_3 x y^4) (x^2 - k^2 y^2)^{1/2}$ , where  $c_1, c_2, c_3$  are constants.

For the particular surface

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = k^4 \frac{xy^4}{c^5} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2},$$

it can be shown that

$$\sum_{m=1}^{4} (\lambda_{m}c_{m}) = -\frac{k^{6}}{\beta^{6}}$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{4} (\lambda_{m}b_{m}) = -\frac{k^{4}}{\beta^{6}h^{2}} (2h^{2} + k^{2})$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{4} (\lambda_{m}a_{m}) = -\frac{k^{4}}{\beta^{6}h^{4}} (4h^{2} - k^{2})$$

$$\sum_{m=1}^{4} (\lambda_{m}) = -\frac{k^{4}}{\beta^{6}h^{6}} (2h^{2} - k^{2})$$
(34)

if  $C_6$  is chosen so that

and hence we obtain

$$k^{6} \Delta (1-\varkappa^{2})^{3} \lambda_{m} = \frac{1}{\varkappa^{4}} (1-4\varkappa^{2}) A_{m} + \frac{1}{\varkappa^{2}} (1+2\varkappa^{2}) B_{m} - C_{m} + \frac{1}{\varkappa^{6}} (1-2\varkappa^{2}) D_{m} , \qquad (36)$$

where

The formulae for  $B_m$ ,  $C_m$  are given by (37), with a substituted for b for  $B_m$ , and b substituted for c, and a for b for  $C_m$ .

$$D_{1} = c_{2}'(a_{3}'b_{4}' - a_{4}'b_{3}') + c_{3}'(a_{4}'b_{2}' - a_{2}'b_{4}') + c_{4}'(a_{2}'b_{3}' - a_{3}'b_{2}') 
-D_{2} = c_{3}'(a_{4}'b_{1}' - a_{1}'b_{4}') + c_{4}'(a_{1}'b_{3}' - a_{3}'b_{1}') + c_{1}'(a_{3}'b_{4}' - a_{4}'b_{3}') 
D_{3} = c_{4}'(a_{1}'b_{2}' - a_{2}'b_{1}') + c_{1}'(a_{2}'b_{4}' - a_{4}'b_{2}') + c_{2}'(a_{4}'b_{1} - a_{1}'b_{4}') 
-D_{4} = c_{1}'(a_{2}'b_{3}' - a_{3}'b_{2}') + c_{2}'(a_{3}'b_{1}' - a_{1}'b_{3}') + c_{3}'(a_{1}'b_{2}' - a_{2}'b_{1}')$$
(38)

and

 $\Delta = c_1' C_1 + c_2' C_2 + c_3' C_3 + c_4' C_4 . \qquad (39)$ 

The pressure coefficient is

$$(C_{p})_{k^{4}xy^{4}} = \frac{4t_{0}}{kc\Delta(1-\varkappa^{2})^{3}} \sum_{m=1}^{4} \left[ \left\{ k^{6}\Delta(1-\varkappa^{2})^{3}\lambda_{m} \right\} (1-a_{m}'+b_{m}'-c_{m}')^{2} (k^{13}R_{6}^{m}(k)) \right. \\ \left. \times \left\{ 6(\varkappa^{6}-a_{m}'\varkappa^{4}+b_{m}'\varkappa^{2}-c_{m}') \frac{\chi^{5}}{c^{5}} + 4(1-\varkappa^{2})(a_{m}'\varkappa^{4}-2b_{m}'\varkappa^{2}+3c_{m}')k^{2} \frac{\chi^{3}y^{2}}{c^{5}} \right. \\ \left. + 2(1-\varkappa^{2})^{2}(b_{m}'\varkappa^{2}-3c_{m}')k^{4} \frac{\chi y^{4}}{c^{5}} \right\} \right], \qquad (40)$$

where

$$k^{13}R_{6}(k) = \frac{1}{2T_{m}} \left[ \frac{K(\varkappa) - E(\varkappa)}{\varkappa^{2}} \left( 3a_{m}' + \frac{a_{m}'^{2}b_{m}' - 4b_{m}'^{2}}{c_{m}'} \right) + \frac{1}{\varkappa^{2}} \left( K(\varkappa) - \frac{1}{1 - \varkappa^{2}} E(\varkappa) \right) H_{1} + \frac{E(\varkappa)}{1 - \varkappa^{2}} H_{2} \right], \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (41)$$

$$T_{m} = 18a_{m}'b_{m}'c_{m}' - 27c_{m}'^{2} + a_{m}'^{2}b_{m}'^{2} - 4a_{m}'^{3}c_{m}' - 4b_{m}'^{3} \qquad \dots \qquad (42)$$

$$H_{1} = [\varkappa^{4}(2a_{m}'^{2} - 6b_{m}') - \varkappa^{2}(2a_{m}'^{3} - 7a_{m}'b_{m}' + 9c_{m}') + (a_{m}'^{2}b_{m}' + 3a_{m}'c_{m}' - 4b_{m}'^{2})]/[\varkappa^{6} - a_{m}'\varkappa^{4} + b_{m}'\varkappa^{2} - c_{m}'] \qquad (43)$$

$$H_{2} = [(2a_{m}'^{2} - 6b_{m}') - (2a_{m}'^{3} - 7a_{m}'b_{m}' + 9c_{m}') + (a_{m}'^{2}b_{m}' + 3a_{m}'c_{m}' - 4b_{m}'^{2})]/[1 - a_{m}' + b_{m}' - c_{m}']. \qquad (44)$$

The values of  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$ ,  $c_m'$ ,  $\lambda_m$  for  $\varkappa^2 = 0.48$  are given in Appendix II.

Note :

When  $\varkappa = 0$ , the smallest root of equations (7), (21), (31) for  $a_m'$  is, in each case, zero. Therefore, when calculating the smallest roots of the equations for any other value of  $\varkappa$ , and the corresponding pressure coefficient  $C_p$ , we may write  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$ ,  $c_m'$  as  $\varkappa^2 a_m''$ ,  $\varkappa^2 b_m''$ ,  $\varkappa^2 c_m''$ . For example, for n = 6, (31), (32a), (32b) become :

.

$$1331\varkappa^{6}a''^{4} - 5324(1+\varkappa^{2})\varkappa^{4}a''^{3} + [6908(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} + 3234\varkappa^{2}]\varkappa^{2}a''^{2} - [2880(1+\varkappa^{2})^{3} + 7764\varkappa^{2}(1+\varkappa^{2})]a'' + [4320(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} + 315\varkappa^{2}] = 0$$
  
$$18b'' = 11\varkappa^{2}a''^{2} - 10(1+\varkappa^{2})a'' + 15$$
  
$$378c'' = 121\varkappa^{4}a''^{3} - 286(1+\varkappa^{2})\varkappa^{2}a''^{2} + \{160(1+\varkappa^{2})^{2} + 273\varkappa^{2}\}a'' - 240(1+\varkappa^{2}).$$

(40) becomes :

$$(C_{p})_{k^{4}xy^{4}} = \frac{4t_{0}}{kc\Delta(1-\varkappa^{2})^{3}} \sum_{m=1}^{4} \left[ \{k^{6}\Delta(1-\varkappa^{2})^{3}\lambda_{m}\}\{1-\varkappa^{2}(a_{m}^{"}-b_{m}^{"}+c_{m}^{"})\}^{2}(k^{13}R_{6}^{'m}(k)) \\ \times \left\{ 6(\varkappa^{4}-\varkappa^{4}a_{m}^{"}+\varkappa^{2}b_{m}^{"}-c_{m}^{"})\frac{x^{5}}{c^{5}} + 4(1-\varkappa^{2})(\varkappa^{4}a_{m}^{"}-2\varkappa^{2}b_{m}^{"}) \\ + 3c_{m}^{"})k^{2}\frac{x^{3}y^{2}}{c^{5}} + 2(1-\varkappa^{2})^{2}(\varkappa^{2}b_{m}^{"}-3c_{m}^{"})k^{4}\frac{xy^{4}}{c^{5}} \right\} \right],$$

where

$$\begin{split} k^{13}R_{6}'(k) &= \frac{1}{2T_{m'}} \left[ \frac{K(x) - E(x)}{x^{2}} \left( 3a_{m''} + \frac{x^{2}a_{m''}^{m'}b_{m''} - 4b_{m''}^{n''}}{c_{m''}} \right) \right. \\ &+ \frac{1}{x^{2}} \left( K(x) - \frac{1}{1 - x^{2}} E(x) \right) H_{1}' + \frac{E(x)}{1 - x^{2}} H_{2}' \right], \\ T_{m'} &= 18x^{2}a_{m}''b_{m}''c_{m''} - 27c_{m''}^{n''} + x^{4}a_{m''}^{n''}b_{m''}^{n''} - 4x^{4}a_{m''}^{n''}c_{m''}^{n''} - 4x^{2}b_{m''}^{n''} \\ H_{1}' &= \left[ (2x^{4}a_{m''}^{n''} - 6x^{2}b_{m''}) - (2x^{4}a_{m''}^{n''} - 7x^{2}a_{m}''b_{m''}^{n''} + 9c_{m''}^{n''} \right) \\ &+ (x^{2}a_{m''}^{n''}b_{m''}^{n''} + 3a_{m''}c_{m''}^{n''} - 4b_{m''}^{n''}) \right] / \left[ x^{4} - x^{4}a_{m''} + x^{2}b_{m''} - c_{m''}^{n''} \right], \\ H_{2}' &= \left[ (2x^{2}a_{m''}^{n''} - 6b_{m''}) - (2x^{4}a_{m''}^{n''} - 7x^{2}a_{m''}b_{m''}^{n''} + 9c_{m''}^{n''} \right] \\ &+ x^{2} (x^{2}a_{m''}^{n''} b_{m''}^{n''} + 3a_{m''}c_{m''}^{n''} - 4b_{m''}^{n''}) \right] / \left[ 1 - x^{2} (a_{m''} - b_{m''} + c_{m''}) \right]. \end{split}$$

For small values of  $\varkappa$ , the formulae in terms of  $a_m''$  are more convenient for numerical calculations than those in terms of  $a_m'$ .

Applications.—(A). Pressure distribution and drag, at supersonic speeds and zero lift, on some finite swept-back wings, having symmetrical sections, with rounded leading edges, and wing tips perpendicular to the root chord.

6. The surface 
$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(\frac{d}{c} - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{ay^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

By combining the solution (b) found in section 3 and those previously given<sup>1,4</sup>, a formula can be found for the pressure coefficient for a finite swept-back wing having symmetrical sections, rounded leading edges, and a parabolic trailing edge, except near the wing tips, where the trailing edge is straight and perpendicular to the root chord. For a hyperbolic trailing edge, solution (a) would also be used.

The pressure coefficients for the surfaces

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} \text{ and } \frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{x}{c} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

are<sup>4</sup>:

where

$$f_{1} = \frac{(1 - \varkappa^{2})^{1/2}}{\varkappa^{2}} [K(\varkappa) - E(\varkappa)], \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (47)$$

$$f_{2} = \frac{(1-\varkappa^{2})^{1/2}}{\varkappa^{4}} \left[ (\varkappa^{2}+2)K(\varkappa) - 2(1+\varkappa^{2})E(\varkappa) \right]. \quad .. \quad .. \quad .. \quad (48)$$

The pressure coefficients for the surfaces

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} \text{ and } \frac{z}{2t_0} = \frac{k^2 y^2}{c^2} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

are<sup>1</sup>:

respectively, where

$$F_{1} = \frac{(1-\varkappa^{2})^{1/2}}{2\varkappa^{6}} \left[ (3\varkappa^{4} + \varkappa^{2} + 8)K(\varkappa) - (6\varkappa^{4} + 5\varkappa^{2} + 8)E(\varkappa) \right], \qquad \dots \qquad (51)$$

$$F_{2} = \frac{(1-\varkappa^{2})^{1/2}}{2\varkappa^{6}} \left[ (\varkappa^{4} - 9\varkappa^{2} + 8)K(\varkappa) + (\varkappa^{4} + 5\varkappa^{2} - 8)E(\varkappa) \right], \qquad \dots \qquad (52)$$

$$F_{4} = \frac{(1-\varkappa^{2})^{1/2}}{2\varkappa^{6}} \left[ (8-15\varkappa^{2}+7\varkappa^{4})K(\varkappa) - (8-11\varkappa^{2}+2\varkappa^{4})E(\varkappa) \right].$$
(54)

Combining these results, the pressure coefficient for the surface

$$C_{p} = \frac{d}{c} (C_{p})_{0} - \left(1 + \frac{d}{c}\right) (C_{p})_{z} + (C_{p})_{z^{2}} + \frac{ad}{ck^{2}} (C_{p})_{k^{2}y^{2}} - \frac{a}{k^{2}} (C_{p})_{k^{3}xy^{2}} \dots \dots \dots (56)$$

$$\equiv \frac{2t_0}{c} \left[ A + B \frac{x}{c} + \frac{1}{2}C \frac{x^2}{c^2} + D \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{3}E \frac{x^3}{c^3} + F \frac{xy^2}{c^3} \right]. \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (57)$$

Some numerical examples are given in section 7.

7. Numerical Examples.—Some numerical examples, for  $\varkappa^2 = 0.19$  and  $\varkappa^2 = 2/3$  (tan  $\gamma$ /tan m = 0.9 and  $1/\sqrt{3}$  respectively), of the wing described in section 6 are shown in Figs. 1 to 7. The required values of  $a_{m}'$ ,  $b_{m}'$  given by equation (7), and the corresponding values of  $\lambda_{m}$  for surfaces (a), (b) given by equations (14), (18), and also the values of  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$ ,  $F_4$  from (47), (48) and (51) to (54) are given in Appendix I. The formulae for the shape of the surface, and the pressure coefficient  $C_p$  are given below.

(i)(a)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 0.9$ ,  $\gamma = 45 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.345 (Fig. 1). The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 4 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}.$$

If  $T_0$  is the maximum thickness in the plane of symmetry,  $2t_0 = 2 \cdot 0805T_0$ . The maximum-thickness line is :

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 4 \cdot 8 + \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 3 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot 4 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0 \quad .$$

The pressure coefficient, at zero incidence, is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 4 \cdot 9464 - 19 \cdot 2481 \frac{x}{c} + 13 \cdot 2813 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 6426 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 0904 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 1 \cdot 8803 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right]$$

The trailing edge is supersonic, therefore the solution is valid for the whole surface.

(i) (b)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 0.9$ ,  $\gamma = 45 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.345 (Fig. 2). The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 9 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} ,$$

and

 $2t_0 = 1 \cdot 3868T_0$ .

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 5 \cdot 8 + \frac{y^2}{c} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 9 - 1 \cdot 05 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot 9 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$

The pressure coefficient, at zero incidence, is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 4 \cdot 4748 - 15 \cdot 5036 \frac{x}{c} + 8 \cdot 9773 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 1125 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 0602 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 1 \cdot 2534 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right].$$

The parobolic trailing edge is subsonic for  $x/c > 1 \cdot 4$ . No allowance has been made for the small corrections necessary in the regions near the subsonic portions of the trailing edge.

(ii)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 0.9$ ,  $\gamma = 45 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.345 (Fig. 3).

The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 35 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

and

 $2t_0 = 2 \cdot 1879T_0$ .

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 4 \cdot 7 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 35 - 1 \cdot 6625 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot 35 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$

The pressure coefficient at zero incidence is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 5 \cdot 0159 - 19 \cdot 8198 \frac{x}{c} + 13 \cdot 6831 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 1 \cdot 3984 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 0475 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 0 \cdot 9887 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right].$$

The trailing edge is supersonic and the solution is valid for the whole surface.

The wave-drag coefficient at zero lift is calculated in section 8.

(iii)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 0.9$ ,  $\gamma = 45 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.345 (Fig. 4). The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 6 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{1}{3}\frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$

 $\operatorname{and}$ 

$$2t_0 = 1.7361T_0$$

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 5 \cdot 2 + \frac{2}{3} \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 6 - \frac{4 \cdot 4}{3} \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 2 \cdot 6 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$

The pressure coefficient at zero incidence is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 4 \cdot 7173 - 17 \cdot 4005 \frac{x}{c} + 10 \cdot 9794 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 7999 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 0503 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 1 \cdot 0460 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right]$$

The trailing edge is supersonic and the solution is valid for the whole surface.

(iv)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 1/\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\gamma = 30 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.414 (Fig. 5). The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 25 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - 3y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2},$$

and

 $2t_0 = 2 \cdot 4375T_0.$ 

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 4 \cdot 5 + 2\frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 25 - 4 \cdot 75\frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 6 \cdot 75\frac{y^2}{c^2} + 3\frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$

The pressure coefficient, at zero incidence, is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 4 \cdot 0556 - 17 \cdot 2219 \frac{x}{c} + 12 \cdot 9861 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 3 \cdot 4332 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 4246 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 4 \cdot 0385 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right]$$

The trailing edge is supersonic and the solution is valid for the whole surface.

(v)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 1/\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\gamma = 30 \text{ deg}$ , M = 1.414 (Fig. 6). The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 2 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + 1 \cdot 274 \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - 3y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2} ,$$

and

 $2t_0 = 2 \cdot 5834T_0.$ 

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 4 \cdot 4 + 2 \cdot 548 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 2 - 4 \cdot 4712 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 6 \cdot 6 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + 3 \cdot 822 \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$

The pressure coefficient, at zero incidence, is

$$C_{p} = \left[\frac{T_{0}}{c} 4 \cdot 1265 - 17 \cdot 8477 \frac{x}{c} + 13 \cdot 8685 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 3 \cdot 2269 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 5734 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 5 \cdot 4532 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}}\right].$$

The trailing edge is supersonic and the solution is valid for the whole surface.

(vi)  $\tan \gamma / \tan m = 1/\sqrt{3}$ ,  $\gamma = 30 \deg$ , M = 1.414 (Fig. 7).

The shape of the surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 \cdot 26 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c} + 0 \cdot 943 \frac{y^2}{c^2}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - 3y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2},$$

and

$$2t_0 = 2 \cdot 4101T_0$$

The maximum-thickness line is

$$\frac{3x^3}{c^3} - \frac{x^2}{c^2} \left( 4 \cdot 52 + 1 \cdot 886 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \frac{x}{c} \left( 1 \cdot 26 - 4 \cdot 8118 \frac{y^2}{c^2} \right) + \left( 6 \cdot 78 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + 2 \cdot 829 \frac{y^4}{c^4} \right) = 0.$$
13

The pressure coefficient, at zero incidence, is

$$C_{p} = \frac{T_{0}}{c} \left[ 4 \cdot 0421 - 17 \cdot 1044 \frac{x}{c} + 12 \cdot 8188 \frac{x^{2}}{c^{2}} - 3 \cdot 4798 \frac{y^{2}}{c^{2}} - 0 \cdot 3959 \frac{x^{3}}{c^{3}} - 3 \cdot 7656 \frac{xy^{2}}{c^{3}} \right]$$

The trailing edge is supersonic and the solution is valid for the whole surface.

8. Calculation of the Wave Drag at Zero Incidence.—The wave drag at zero incidence is  $D = D_p + D_n$ , where  $D_p$  is the pressure integral and  $D_n$  is the drag due to the high pressure at the rounded leading edges of the wing. The pressure integral is found by integrating the component pressure, along the wind direction, over the plan form, and the corresponding drag coefficient is given by :

$$C_{D,p} \times \text{(area of plan form)} = 2 \iint C_p \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \, dx \, dy$$

integrated over the plan form,

form, 
$$= -2 \iint z \frac{\partial C_p}{\partial x} dx dy, \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (58)$$

since z is zero on the leading and trailing edges. R. T. Jones' formula for the force per unit length normal to the leading edge at any point is

$$F_n = \pi R \frac{\rho V^2}{2} \frac{\sin^2 \gamma}{(1 - M^2 \sin^2 \gamma)^{1/2}}$$

where R is the radius of curvature of the leading edge<sup>7</sup>. Hence

$$D_n = 2 \tan \gamma \int_0^c F_n \, dx,$$

and the corresponding drag coefficient is

where S is the area of the plan form.

The total wave drag coefficient at zero lift is

$$C_D = C_{D\,p} + C_{D\,n}.$$

For a surface given by equation (30), it can be shown that

where S is the area of the plan form,

 $C_{\prime\prime}$   $C_{\prime\prime}'$  are constants (given in Appendix III) and

If  $\alpha_1^2$ ,  $\alpha_2^2$  are the roots of the equation .

 $c^4X^2 - (k^2 - 2a)c^2X + a^2 = 0$ ,  $(\alpha_1^2 > \alpha_2^2)$ and  $\alpha_1Y = \operatorname{sn} u$ , where  $\operatorname{sn} u$  is a Jacobian elliptic function of modulus  $\sigma = |\alpha_2/\alpha_1|$ , it can be shown that

The reduction formula for  $S_{2r}$  is

$$(2r-1)\sigma^2 S_{2r} = \operatorname{cn} u \, \operatorname{dn} u \, \operatorname{sn}^{2r-3} u + (2r-2)(1+\sigma^2)S_{2r-2} - (2r-3)S_{2r-4} \, . \qquad .. \tag{65}$$
  
If  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  are complex,

where  $(\operatorname{sn} v \operatorname{dn} v)/\operatorname{cn} v = \lambda \alpha Y$ ,  $\alpha$  is the real part of  $\alpha_1$  or  $\alpha_2$ , and the square of the modulus of the elliptic functions is  $1/\lambda^2 = \alpha^2/\alpha_1\alpha_2$ . The reduction formula for  $S_{2r}$  is

$$(2r-1)S_{2r}'' = \frac{\operatorname{sn}^{2r-3} v \, \operatorname{dn}^{2r-3} v}{\operatorname{cn}^{2r-1} v} \left( \operatorname{dn}^{4} v - \frac{1-\lambda^{2}}{\lambda^{4}} \operatorname{sn}^{4} v \right) + 4(r-1) \frac{(2-\lambda^{2})}{\lambda^{2}} S_{2r-2}'' - (2r-3)S_{2r-4}'' \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (67)$$

The formula for  $I_{2r}'$  is

where

$$S_{2r}' = \int_{\sin^{-1}kY/d}^{\pi/2} \sin^{2r} u \, du,$$

and

 $2rS_{2r}' = \cos\theta \sin^{2r-1}\theta + (2r-1)S_{2r-2}' \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (69)$ where  $d\sin\theta = kY$ . The drag coefficient due to the leading-edge force is given by

The total wave-drag coefficient at zero lift is

$$C_{D} = -\frac{16t_{0}^{2}}{c^{3}S} \left[ \sum_{r=0}^{7} \left( C_{r}I_{2r} \right) + \sum_{r=0}^{4} \left( C_{r}'I_{2r}' \right) \right] + \frac{8\pi}{k^{2}\varkappa} \frac{t_{0}^{2}}{S} \int_{0}^{1} \left( b - x \right)^{2} \left( 1 - x + \frac{ax^{2}}{k^{2}} \right)^{2} x \, dx \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (71)$$

where b = d/c.

#### Examples :

For surface (ii), (Fig. 3),  $a = \frac{1}{4}$ , b = 1.35, k = 1.  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  are real and the modulus  $\sigma = 1$ , amplitude of  $u = 36 \deg 16 \min$ ,  $u = 0.680135 = S_0$ ,  $S_2 = 0.088527$ . Hence, using formulae (64), (65) and (68) to (71), and the formulae given in Appendix III, the drag coefficients for  $T_0/c = 0.1$ , M = 1.345, are

$$C_{D,p} = 0.016, \quad C_{D,n} = 0.051, \quad C_D = 0.067. \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (72)$$
  
For the corresponding complete delta wing with Squire sections<sup>4</sup>,

(a) if thickness/chord =  $T_0/c = 0.1$ ,

$$C_{Dp} = 0.040, \quad C_{Dn} = 0.048, \quad C_{D} = 0.088. \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (73)$$

(b) if thickness/chord =  $T_0/1 \cdot 35c = 0 \cdot 074$ ,

For surface (v), (Fig. 6), a = 1.274, b = 1.2,  $k^2 = 3$ .  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$  are complex,  $1/\lambda^2 = 0.5887$ , amplitude of v = 25 deg 20 min,  $v = 0.4510 = S_0''$ ,  $S_2'' = 0.03055$ . Hence, using formulae (66) to (71) and the formulae given in Appendix III, the drag coefficients for  $T_0/c = 0.1$ , M = 1.414 are:

$$C_{D,p} = 0.066, \qquad C_{D,n} = 0.020, \qquad C_{D} = 0.086. \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (75)$$

For the corresponding complete delta wing with Squire sections :

(B) The change in pressure distribution and drag, at supersonic speeds and zero lift, on a certain swept-back wing having symmetrical sections with rounded leading edges, when the local thickness/chord ratio is modified.

9. The surface 
$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 + ak^2 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + bk^4 \frac{y^4}{c^4}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$$
.

By combining the solutions found in sections 3, 4, 5 and those quoted in section 6, a formula is found for the pressure coefficient for a wing whose surface is given by the equation

$$\frac{z}{2t_0} = \left(1 + ak^2 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + bk^4 \frac{y^4}{c^4}\right) \left(1 - \frac{x}{c}\right) \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}, \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (78)$$

where a, b are positive or negative constants. This surface is obtained by multiplying the ordinates of the sections, parallel to the wind direction, of the Squire wing<sup>4</sup>:

by the factor

$$1 + ak^2 \frac{y^2}{c^2} + bk^4 \frac{y^4}{c^4}.$$

The root section and the position of the maximum-thickness line of the two wings are the same.

The pressure coefficient for surface (78) is given by

$$C_{p} = (C_{p})_{0} - (C_{p})_{x} + a(C_{p})_{k^{2}y^{2}} - a(C_{p})_{k^{2}xy^{2}} + b(C_{p})_{k^{4}y^{4}} - b(C_{p})_{k^{4}xy^{4}} \dots$$
(80)

The formulae for the first three terms in (80) are given in section 6, equations (45), (46), (50), and formulae for the last three terms are given by equations (19), (17), (28), (40). The formulae have been computed for  $\varkappa^2 = 1 - \tan^2 \gamma/\tan^2 m = 0.48$ , (e.g., M = 1.6,  $\gamma = 30$  deg.,) and the isobars for surface (78) for  $k^2 = 3$  and (1) a = 0.29, b = 1.12, (2) a = -0.28, b = 2.06, are shown in Figs. 8a and 9a. The variations of local thickness are shown in Figs. 8b and 9b. The pressures on the root chord are the same for surface (78) as for surface (79), but for (79) the pressure coefficient  $C_p$  is independent of y, and the isobars are straight lines across the span.

It can be shown that the wave-drag coefficient at zero lift is

This expression has been integrated and, as an example,  $C_D$  has been computed for surface (1), giving  $C_D = 0.0142$ . For the corresponding Squire wing,  $C_D = 0.0113$ .

# APPENDIX I

Values of  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$  for  $\tan \gamma/\tan m = 0.9$  and  $\tan \lambda/\tan m = 1/\sqrt{3}$ , and the corresponding values of  $\lambda_m$  for surfaces (a) and (b)

т	$\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan m}$	$\kappa^2$	<i>a</i> <sub>m</sub> '	b <sub>m</sub> '	$\begin{cases} k^4 \varDelta \varkappa^2 (1 - \varkappa^2) \lambda_m \\ \text{for surface } (a) \end{cases}$	$k^4 \varDelta (1 - \varkappa^2)^2 \lambda_m$ for surface (b)
$1 \\ 2 \\ 3$	0.9	0.19	$1 \cdot 253234 \\ 0 \cdot 938440 \\ 0 \cdot 188324$	$0.318608 \\ 0.060422 \\ 0.004363$	-0.17738 1.01162 -1.05659	0.51289 0.50017 -4.03616
1 2 3	1/√3	2/3	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \cdot 672390 \\ 1 \cdot 027598 \\ 0 \cdot 633349 \end{array}$	0.685432 0.111571 0.047442	-0.13761 0.13763 0.42719	$0.28242 \\ -0.02914 \\ -0.11461$

Values of  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$ ,  $F_4$ 

$\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan m}$	$f_1$	$f_2$		F <sub>2</sub>	$F_3$	F4
$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 9 \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \end{array}$	0·7642 0·6655	1•7347 1•5701	2.760 2.573	$-0.4260 \\ -0.3539$	0·1610 0·2179	$0.4100 \\ 0.2859$

B

n	m	$\varkappa^2$	a_m'	b <sub>m</sub> '	<i>Cm</i> ′
4	$\begin{array}{c}1\\2\\3\end{array}$	0.48	$1 \cdot 496680 \\ 0 \cdot 996920 \\ 0 \cdot 466401$	0.526984 0.098430 0.026107	
5	1 2 3	0.48	$0 \cdot 587724 \\ 1 \cdot 167935 \\ 1 \cdot 533230$	$0.067866 \\ 0.232021 \\ 0.557407$	
6	$\begin{array}{c c}1\\2\\3\\4\end{array}$	0.48	0.708305 1.328999 1.648489 2.234203	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 124208 \\ 0\cdot 386635 \\ 0\cdot 705280 \\ 1\cdot 613449 \end{array}$	0.003163 0.015439 0.039797 0.375263

Values of  $a_m'$ ,  $b_m'$ ,  $c_m'$  for n=4,5,6 and  $\varkappa^2=0.48$ 

Values of  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $F_3$ ,  $F_4$ , for  $\varkappa^2 = 0.48$ 

$\varkappa^2$	$f_1$	$f_2$	F <sub>3</sub>	$F_4$
0.48	0.7165	1.6576	0.1900	0.3447

Values of  $\lambda_m$ 

Surface	m	$k^4 \varDelta (1 - \varkappa^2)^2 \lambda_m$
$\frac{z}{2t_0} = k^2 \frac{xy^2}{c^3} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$	1 2 3	0.382421 0.007362 -0.422980
$\frac{z}{2t_0} = k^4 \frac{y^4}{c^4} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$	1 2 3	$rac{k^4 arDelta(1-lpha^2)^2 \lambda_m}{0\cdot 291089} \ 0\cdot 123991 \ 0\cdot 144067$
$\frac{z}{2t_0} = k^4 \frac{xy^4}{c^5} \left(\frac{x^2 - k^2 y^2}{c^2}\right)^{1/2}$	1 2 3 4	$k^6 \varDelta (1-arkappa^2)^3 \lambda_m$ $0 \cdot 090968$ $+ 0 \cdot 012447$ $- 0 \cdot 014357$ $- 0 \cdot 078386$

18

#### APPENDIX III

Formulae for the constants  $C_r$ ,  $C_r'$  in formula (60) for  $C_{D,p}$ . [B, C, E, F are coefficients in the formula (57) for  $C_{\phi}$ ]  $C_0/c^3 = B(\frac{1}{6}b - \frac{1}{12}) + C(\frac{1}{12}b - \frac{1}{20}) + E(\frac{1}{20}b - \frac{1}{30})$  $C_1/c = B[\frac{2}{3}ab - (\frac{5}{12}a - \frac{7}{24}k^2)] + C[b(\frac{5}{12}a - \frac{7}{24}k^2) - (\frac{3}{10}a - \frac{13}{120}k^2)]$  $+ E[b(\frac{3}{10}a - \frac{1}{120}k^2) - (\frac{7}{30}a - \frac{7}{120}k^2)] + F(\frac{1}{6}b - \frac{1}{12})$  $C_2 c = B[b(a^2 + \frac{2}{5}ak^2 - \frac{1}{3}k^4) - (\frac{5}{5}a^2 - \frac{7}{2}ak^2 + \frac{7}{20}k^4)]$  $+ C[b(\frac{5}{6}a^2 - \frac{7}{8}ak^2 + \frac{7}{30}k^4) - (\frac{3}{4}a^2 - \frac{13}{30}ak^2 + \frac{1}{6}k^4)]$  $+ E[b(\frac{3}{4}a^2 - \frac{13}{30}ak^2 + \frac{1}{6}k^4) - (\frac{7}{10}a^2 - \frac{7}{24}ak^2 - \frac{11}{240}k^4)]$  $+ F[b(\frac{2}{3}a + \frac{1}{15}k^2) - (\frac{5}{12}a - \frac{7}{24}k^2)]$  $C_{3}c^{3} = B[a^{2}b(\frac{2}{3}a + \frac{4}{15}k^{2}) - a(\frac{5}{6}a^{2} - \frac{7}{8}ak^{2} + \frac{1}{15}k^{4})]$  $+ C[ab(\frac{5}{6}a^2 - \frac{7}{8}ak^2 + \frac{11}{60}k^4) - (a^3 - \frac{13}{20}a^2k^2 + \frac{41}{105}ak^4 - \frac{2}{15}k^6)]$  $+ E[b(a^3 - \frac{13}{20}a^2k^2 + \frac{41}{105}ak^4 - \frac{2}{15}k^6) - (\frac{7}{5}a^3 - \frac{7}{12}a^2k^2 - \frac{11}{80}ak^4 - \frac{67}{840}k^6)]$  $+ F[b(a^2 + \frac{38}{105}ak^2 - \frac{1}{3}k^4) - (\frac{5}{6}a^2 - \frac{7}{8}ak^2 + \frac{19}{84}k^4)]$  $C_4 c^5 = B \left[ \frac{1}{6} a^4 b - a^3 \left( \frac{5}{12} a - \frac{7}{24} k^2 \right) \right]$  $+ C[a^{3}b(\frac{5}{12}a - \frac{7}{24}k^{2}) - a^{2}(\frac{3}{4}a^{2} - \frac{13}{30}ak^{2} + \frac{22}{105}k^{4})]$  $+ E[a^{2}b(\frac{3}{4}a^{2} - \frac{13}{30}ak^{2} + \frac{22}{105}k^{4}) - a(\frac{7}{6}a^{3} - \frac{7}{12}a^{2}k^{2} - \frac{11}{80}ak^{4} + \frac{13}{210}k^{6})]$  $+ F[a^{2}b(\frac{2}{3}a + \frac{5}{21}k^{2}) - a(\frac{5}{6}a^{2} - \frac{7}{8}ak^{2} + \frac{4}{21}k^{4})]$  $C_5 c^7 = -\frac{1}{12} a^5 B + C [\frac{1}{12} a^5 b - a^4 (\frac{3}{10} a - \frac{13}{120} k^2)]$  $+ E[a^4b(\frac{3}{10}a - \frac{13}{120}k^2) - a^3(\frac{7}{10}a^2 - \frac{7}{24}ak^2 - \frac{11}{240}k^4)]$  $+ F[\frac{1}{6}a^4b - a^3(\frac{5}{12}a - \frac{7}{24}k^2)]$  $C_{6}c^{9} = -\frac{1}{20}a^{6}C + E\left[\frac{1}{20}a^{6}b - a^{5}\left(\frac{7}{30}a - \frac{7}{120}k^{2}\right)\right] - \frac{1}{12}Fa^{5}$  $C_{7}c^{11} = -\frac{1}{30}a^{7}E$  $C_0'/c^3 = Bb^4(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{12}b) + Cb^5(\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{20}b) + Eb^6(\frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{30}b)$  $C_1'/c = Bb^2 \left[ \frac{7}{24} bk^2 + \frac{1}{6} ab^2 \right] + Cb^3 \left[ -\frac{7}{24} k^2 + \frac{13}{120} bk^2 + \frac{1}{12} ab^2 \right]$  $+ Eb^{4}[-\frac{13}{120}k^{2} + \frac{7}{120}bk^{2} + \frac{1}{20}ab^{2}] + Fb^{4}(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{12}b)$  $C_{2}c = Bk^{2}\left[\frac{1}{15}ab^{2} - \frac{7}{30}bk^{2} - \frac{1}{3}k^{2}\right] + Cbk^{2}\left[-\frac{7}{24}ab^{2} - \frac{1}{6}bk^{2} + \frac{7}{30}k^{2}\right]$  $+ Eb^{2}k^{2}\left[-\frac{13}{120}ab^{2}+\frac{11}{240}bk^{2}+\frac{1}{6}k^{2}\right]$  $+ Fb^{2}[\frac{1}{6}ab^{2} + \frac{7}{24}bk^{2} + \frac{1}{15}k^{2}]$  $C_{3}c^{3} = -\frac{1}{3}k^{4}aB + Ck^{4}(\frac{19}{84}ab + \frac{2}{15}k^{2})$  $+ Ek^4(\frac{73}{420}ab^2 - \frac{67}{840}bk^2 - \frac{2}{15}k^2) + Fk^2(\frac{2}{21}ab^2 - \frac{19}{84}bk^2 - \frac{1}{2}k^2)$  $C_4'c^5 = -\frac{2}{15}k^6aE - \frac{1}{3}k^4aF.$ 

#### PART II

# The Effect of a Change of Mach Number on the Pressure Distribution and Drag at Supersonic Speeds on some Wings having given Camber and Twist

1. Introduction.—In R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>, the effect of camber and twist on the pressure distribution and drag on some wings, of negligible thickness, at supersonic speeds is investigated. The shapes of some curved wings, with swept-back subsonic leading edges, are found, such that the thrust loading on the leading edges is removed or modified, while certain requirements with respect to camber and twist, or aerodynamic properties, are satisfied. The wings are designed for given Mach numbers and are such that, when they are at design incidence, (a) there are no leading-edge pressure singularities, and therefore no leading-edge thrust; or (b) the leadingedge singularity is modified so that its strength increases along the edge from zero at the apex to a maximum, and then decreases to zero at some point on the edge further downstream. The effect of additional incidence is also calculated.

In the present paper, the effect of a change of Mach number on the aerodynamic characteristics of a wing of type (b), designed for a given Mach number, is calculated.

The methods and notation used are those of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>. x is measured downstream from the apex, y is measured to starboard, z is measured vertically upwards. The semi-apex angle  $\gamma$  is less than the Mach angle  $\bar{\mu} (= \csc^{-1} M)$ . The surfaces are symmetrical with respect to the zx-plane and are set symmetrically to the wind direction, the apex pointing against the stream.

Some numerical examples showing the effect of a change of Mach number on the lift, drag and moment coefficients of a wing designed for a given Mach number, are given.

2. Summary of General Results given in R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>.—Non-dimensional co-ordinates  $x' = x\sigma/c$ ,  $y' = y\sigma/c$ ,  $z' = z\sigma/c$  are used; c is the maximum chord of the wing, and  $1/\sigma$  is the distance, in maximum chord lengths (in the free-stream direction) from the apex, of the point of zero pressure on the leading edge. Since these co-ordinates are used throughout the report, the dashes are dropped, and X is written for  $(x'^2 - k^2y'^2)^{1/2}$ .

The following results are given in Ref. 2. The velocity potential

gives the flow over the surface

$$z = ax + bx^{2} + d_{1}x^{3} + fx^{4} + gk^{2}xy^{2} + h_{1}k^{2}x^{2}y^{2} + f(y), \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad (2)$$
  
where (cf. equations (128), (130) of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>)

$$\begin{array}{ll} a = -(A + B + D) & f = \frac{1}{4}(f_{12}D - f_{10}E) \\ b = Af_1 & g = f_5C - f_7B \\ d_1 = \frac{1}{3}f_6B - f_4C & h_1 = \frac{1}{2}(f_{11}E - f_{13}D) \end{array} \right\} \quad \dots \qquad (3)$$

A, B, C, D, E are constants, and  $f_1, f_2, \ldots, f_{13}$  are functions of  $(\tan \gamma)/(\tan \tilde{\mu})$  given in Appendices I, II of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>. (The constant  $\delta$  which appears in Ref. 2 is here put equal to 1. There is no loss of generality, since this is eventually equivalent to including  $\delta$  in the constants  $A, \ldots, E$ .)

The velocity potentials  $\Phi_2$ ,  $\Phi_3^1$ ,  $\Psi_3$ ,  $\Phi_4^1$ ,  $\Psi_4$ , which are combined to give the velocity potential  $\Omega$  in (1), are the five independent solutions given in R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup> and are given by :

where  $\phi_1, \phi_2, \ldots$  are the 'basic' solutions given in R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup> whose values at the plane z = 0 are: (putting  $\delta = 1$ , and writing x for  $x' \equiv x\sigma/c$ , etc.)

$$(\phi_{1})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} X,$$

$$(\phi_{2})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} xX,$$

$$(\phi_{3}^{-1})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} x^{2}X,$$

$$(\phi_{3}^{-2})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} y^{2}X,$$

$$(\phi_{4}^{-1})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} x^{3}X,$$

$$(\phi_{4}^{-2})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} xy^{2}X$$

$$(\phi_{4}^{-2})_{z=0} = \frac{Vc}{\sigma k E(x)} xy^{2}X$$

k is the cotangent of the semi-apex angle  $\gamma$ , and V is the free-stream velocity.

 $\varkappa^2 = 1 - (\tan^2 \gamma)/(\tan^2 \tilde{\mu})$  and  $E(\varkappa)$  is the complete elliptic integral of the second kind of modulus  $\varkappa$ . The pressure coefficient  $C_{p0}$  and the lift, induced drag and pitching-moment coefficients  $C_{L0}$ ,  $C_{Di}$ ,  $C_{M0}$ , at design incidence, are given by :

$$-C_{p\,0} = \frac{2}{kE(x)} \left[ A \left\{ \frac{x(1-x)}{X} - X \right\} + B \left\{ \frac{x(1-x^2)}{X} - 2xX \right\} + C(3xX) + D \left\{ \frac{x(1-x^3)}{X} - 3x^2X \right\} + E \left\{ (4x^2 - k^2y^2)X \right\} \right] \dots \dots (6)$$

$$C_{L^{0}} = \frac{2\pi}{kE(\varkappa)} \left[ A(1-\sigma) + B(1-\sigma^{2}) + D(1-\sigma^{3}) + \frac{3}{4}(C+E\sigma)\sigma^{2} \right]$$
  
$$= \frac{2\pi}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{3}{2}(C+E) \right] \text{ when } \sigma = 1$$
(7)

$$C_{M 0} = \frac{2\pi}{kE(\varkappa)} \left[ \frac{1}{6} A \sigma + (\frac{4}{15} B - \frac{1}{5} C) \sigma^2 + (\frac{1}{3} D - \frac{1}{4} E) \sigma^3 \right] \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (8)$$

$$C_{D_{i}} = \frac{8\pi}{kE(x)} \left[ AP_{1} + BP_{2} + CP_{3} + DP_{4} + EP_{5} \right] - \frac{2\pi (k^{2} - \beta^{2})^{1/2}}{k^{2} [E(x)]^{2} \sigma^{2}} \int_{0}^{\sigma} x [A(1-x) + B(1-x^{2}) + D(1-x^{3})]^{2} dx, \quad ..$$
(9)

where  $P_1, \ldots, P_5$  are given in equations (144) of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>.

In R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>, for a wing of given plan form, the constants  $A, \ldots, E$  or  $a, \ldots, h_1$ , are chosen, and the corresponding coefficients of equation (2) or equation (1) determined for a given Mach number, that is for given values of  $f_1, \ldots, f_{13}$ . In the following sections, the constants  $a, \ldots, h_1$  having been chosen to satisfy certain conditions for a given Mach number, the effect of a varying Mach number on the given wing is calculated. The variable  $\sigma$  is taken equal to 1, that is, at the design Mach number, the points of zero pressure on the leading edges are at the wing tips.

The above results are based on solutions of the linearised supersonic flow equation in terms of Lamé functions of the M class of degree n, for n = 1, 2, 3, 4. Since R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup> was written, the solutions for n = 5 have been worked out, and the results are given in Appendix III. These solutions could be used to give three extra terms in expression (1) for  $\Omega$ , and thus three more arbitrary constants. The equation of the resulting surface (2) would contain three extra terms, viz., constant multiples of  $x^5$ ,  $x^3y^2$ , and  $xy^4$ .

3. The Pressure Coefficient and the Aerodynamic Characteristics of a given Surface at a Varying Mach Number  $(1 < \dot{M} < \csc \gamma)$ .—We first determine the velocity potentials corresponding to the separate terms of the equation of surface (2). Using equations (125), (91), (98), (105) of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>, we obtain the following formulae for the velocity potentials in terms of the basic solutions  $\phi_1$ ,  $\phi_2$ ,  $\phi_3^1$ ,  $\phi_4^1$  and the solutions  $\Psi_3$ ,  $\Psi_4$ , given in Ref. 2. (cf. equations (4), (5) of this paper.)

$$\frac{z}{x} \qquad \frac{Velocity \ potential}{-\phi_1}$$

$$x^2 \qquad -\frac{1}{f_1}\phi_2$$

$$\frac{3}{f_5 f_6 - 3 f_4 f_7} \left( f_7 \Psi_3 - f_5 \phi_3^{-1} \right)$$
(10)

$$\frac{f_5 f_6 - 3 f_4 f_7 (3 f_6 r_3 - f_4 \varphi_3)}{\frac{2}{f_{11} f_{12} - f_{10} f_{13}} (f_{12} \Psi_4 - f_{10} \phi_4^{-1})}$$

The formulae for  $f_1, \ldots, f_{13}$  are given in Appendix I, and a table of numerical values in Appendix II. It can be shown that:

$$\frac{1}{3}f_{5}f_{6} - f_{4}f_{7} = \frac{1}{4\varkappa^{4}(E(\varkappa))^{2}} \left[ (4\varkappa^{4} + 11\varkappa^{2} - 11)(E(\varkappa))^{2} + (1 - \varkappa^{2})(16 - 8\varkappa^{2})E(\varkappa)K(\varkappa) - 5(1 - \varkappa^{2})^{2}(K(\varkappa))^{2} \right], \qquad \dots \qquad (11)$$

and

Since we are using the linear theory of supersonic flow, the velocity potential for the surface (2) can be obtained by combining the solutions given in (10). Hence it can be shown that the velocity potential giving the flow over the surface

22

$$z = ax + bx^{2} + d_{1}x^{3} + fx^{4} + gk^{2}xy^{2} + h_{1}k^{2}x^{2}y^{2} + f(y)$$
  

$$\Omega = A_{0}\phi_{1} + A \Phi_{2} + B \Phi_{3}^{1} + C\Psi_{3} + D \Phi_{4}^{1} + E\Psi_{4} \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (13)$$

is

where  $A_0 = -a - A - B - D$ , (at the design Mach number,  $A_0 = 0$ )

$$A = \frac{b}{f_1}$$

$$B = \frac{3(d_1f_5 + gf_4)}{f_5f_6 - 3f_4f_7}, \qquad C = \frac{3d_1f_7 + gf_6}{f_5f_6 - 3f_4f_7}$$

$$D = \frac{2(2ff_{11} + h_1f_{10})}{f_{11}f_{12} - f_{10}f_{13}}, \qquad E = \frac{2(2ff_{13} + h_1f_{12})}{f_{11}f_{12} - f_{10}f_{13}}$$

$$(14)$$

Hence, since it is assumed that the surface lies close to the plane z = 0, the velocity potential on the surface is

The pressure coefficient at design incidence is

On the leading edges of the wing, X = 0, and  $C_{p,0} \to -(2/V)P/(x-k|y|)^{1/2}$ , where P is the strength of the singularity in the axial velocity  $(\partial \Omega/\partial x)_{z=0}$ . P is equal to zero at x = 0 and where

$$x^{3} + A_{1}x^{2} + B_{1}x + C_{1} = 0, \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots (17)$$

where

$$A_{1} = \frac{3(d_{1}f_{5} + gf_{4})(f_{11}f_{12} - f_{10}f_{13})}{2(2ff_{11} + h_{1}f_{10})(f_{5}f_{6} - 3f_{4}f_{7})}$$

$$B_{1} = \frac{b(f_{11}f_{12} - f_{10}f_{13})}{2(2ff_{11} + h_{1}f_{10})}$$

$$C_{1} = \frac{a(f_{11}f_{12} - f_{10}f_{13})}{2(2ff_{11} + h_{1}f_{10})}$$

$$(18)$$

If  $\sigma$  is taken equal to 1, that is the points of zero pressure on the leading edges at the design Mach number are taken at the wing tips, the formulae for the aerodynamic coefficients at design incidence are as follows:

The lift coefficient is

The total induced-drag coefficient is

$$C_{D_{i}} = \frac{8\pi}{kE(x)} \left[ A_{0}P_{0} + AP_{1} + BP_{2} + CP_{3} + DP_{4} + EP_{5} \right] - \frac{2\pi(k^{2} - \beta^{2})^{1/2}}{k^{2}[E(x)]^{2}} \int_{0}^{1} x[A_{0} + A(1 - x) + B(1 - x^{2}) + D(1 - x^{3})]^{2} dx, \quad ...$$
(20)

where

$$P_{0} = -\left(\frac{1}{4}a + \frac{1}{3}b + \frac{3}{8}d_{1} + \frac{2}{5}f + \frac{1}{16}g + \frac{1}{10}h_{1}\right)$$

$$P_{1} = \frac{1}{24}b + \frac{3}{40}d_{1} + \frac{1}{10}f + \frac{1}{240}h_{1}$$

$$P_{2} = \frac{1}{15}b + \frac{1}{8}d_{1} + \frac{6}{35}f + \frac{1}{140}h_{1}$$

$$P_{3} = -3\left(\frac{1}{16}a + \frac{1}{10}b + \frac{1}{8}d_{1} + \frac{1}{7}f + \frac{1}{96}g + \frac{1}{56}h_{1}\right)$$

$$P_{4} = \frac{1}{12}b + \frac{9}{56}d_{1} + \frac{9}{40}f + \frac{2}{320}h_{1}$$

$$P_{5} = -\left(\frac{3}{16}a + \frac{5}{16}b + \frac{45}{112}d_{1} + \frac{15}{32}f + \frac{1}{32}g + \frac{7}{128}h_{1}\right)$$

$$(21)$$

The pitching-moment coefficient (taken about the chordwise position distant two-thirds of the maximum chord from the vertex) is :

The corresponding formulae for the flat delta wing at (small) incidence  $\alpha$  are :

$$C_{L 0} = \frac{2\pi \alpha}{kE(\varkappa)}$$

$$C_{D i} = \frac{2\pi \alpha^{2}}{kE(\varkappa)} - \frac{\pi \alpha^{2} (k^{2} - \beta^{2})^{1/2}}{k^{2} [E(\varkappa)]^{2}}$$

$$C_{M 0} = 0$$
(23)

4. Numerical Examples.—Some numerical results for two wings, designed to satisfy certain conditions at given Mach numbers, are given. The shapes of the surfaces and their pressure distributions at design Mach number and design incidence, are shown in Figs. 10a and 11a. The variations in lift, drag and moment coefficients, as the Mach number varies, are shown in Figs. 10b, 11b. The results are compared with those for the corresponding flat delta wing having the same lift coefficient at the design Mach number, the incidence remaining unchanged. The formulae giving the shapes of the surfaces, and the numerical values of the lift, induced drag, and moment coefficients at different Mach numbers are given below. The positions of the point of zero pressure on the leading edge are also given.

(i) The first surface chosen is surface (xvi) of R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>, designed to satisfy the following conditions at M = 1.442. ( $\sigma$  is taken equal to 1)

- (a) zero camber at the root,
- (b)  $C_{L0} = 0 \cdot 1$ ,
- (c) minimum induced drag with conditions (a), (b) (using solutions given in section 2).

The shape of the surface is given by

$$z = -0.05729x + 0.69610xy^2 - 0.18792x^2y^2 + f(y),$$

the co-ordinates being measured in chord lengths, since  $\sigma = 1$ .

The semi-apex angle  $\gamma$  is 30 deg.

The numerical values of the aerodynamic coefficients, and the positions of the point of zero pressure, are given in the following table :

M	x co-ordinate on leading edge	С <sub>мо</sub>	C <sub>L0.</sub>	. C <sub>D4</sub>	Flat delta wing at incidence 0.035 radians		
	where $P = 0$				$C_{zo}$	C <sub>D i</sub>	
$ \begin{array}{r} 1 \cdot 015 \\ 1 \cdot 058 \\ 1 \cdot 127 \\ 1 \cdot 217 \\ 1 \cdot 323 \\ 1 \cdot 442 \end{array} $	$     \begin{array}{r}       1 \cdot 099 \\       1 \cdot 089 \\       1 \cdot 076 \\       1 \cdot 056 \\       1 \cdot 030 \\       1     \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0183 \\ 0.0175 \\ 0.0165 \\ 0.0154 \\ 0.0144 \\ 0.013 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 111 \\ 0 \cdot 110 \\ 0 \cdot 109 \\ 0 \cdot 107 \\ 0 \cdot 104 \\ 0 \cdot 1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 0021\\ 0\cdot 0022\\ 0\cdot 0024\\ 0\cdot 0025\\ 0\cdot 0026\\ 0\cdot 0026\\ 0\cdot 0027\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.126 \\ 0.121 \\ 0.116 \\ 0.111 \\ 0.105 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 00225\\ 0\cdot 00228\\ 0\cdot 00231\\ 0\cdot 00235\\ 0\cdot 00238\\ 0\cdot 00242 \end{array}$	
$1 \cdot 572$ $1 \cdot 709$ $1 \cdot 852$ 2	$\begin{array}{c} 0.969 \\ 0.940 \\ 0.910 \\ 0.880 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 0125 \\ 0 \cdot 0118 \\ 0 \cdot 0114 \\ 0 \cdot 0109 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 095 \\ 0 \cdot 091 \\ 0 \cdot 086 \\ 0 \cdot 081 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 00275\\ 0\cdot 0028\\ 0\cdot 00285\\ 0\cdot 0030\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 095 \\ 0 \cdot 090 \\ 0 \cdot 085 \\ 0 \cdot 081 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 00245 \\ 0 \cdot 0025 \\ 0 \cdot 0026 \\ 0 \cdot 0028 \end{array}$	

Finite values are given by the formulae at M = 1, but since the linear theory is used, the formulae are not valid when M approaches 1.

(ii) The second surface is chosen to satisfy conditions (a), (c) satisfied by surface (i), (with  $\sigma = 1, \gamma = 30$  deg), but is designed for  $C_{L0} = 0.15$  at M = 1.6. The shape of the surface is given by (in the non-dimensional co-ordinates):

 $z = -0.08882x + 1.06442xy^2 - 0.29578x^2y^2.$ 

The numerical values of the aerodynamic coefficients, and the positions of the point of zero pressure, are given in the following table :

М	x co-ordinate on leading edge	$C_{M0}$	C <sub>L0</sub>	С <sub>Ді.</sub>	Flat de at in 0.056	elta wing cidence radians
	where $P = 0$				$C_{L0}$	$C_{Di}$
$ \begin{array}{c} 1 \cdot 015 \\ 1 \cdot 058 \\ 1 \cdot 127 \\ 1 \cdot 217 \\ 1 \cdot 323 \\ 1 \cdot 442 \\ 1 \cdot 572 \\ 1 \cdot 6 \\ \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{No point} \\ \text{for } M < 1 \cdot 09 \\ 1 \cdot 184 \\ 1 \cdot 134 \\ 1 \cdot 089 \\ 1 \cdot 047 \\ 1 \cdot 008 \\ 1 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0263\\ 0.0255\\ 0.0240\\ 0.0223\\ 0.0208\\ 0.0195\\ 0.0184\\ 0.0182\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 178 \\ 0 \cdot 177 \\ 0 \cdot 174 \\ 0 \cdot 171 \\ 0 \cdot 165 \\ 0 \cdot 159 \\ 0 \cdot 152 \\ 0 \cdot 15 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 0054\\ 0\cdot 0056\\ 0\cdot 0059\\ 0\cdot 0062\\ 0\cdot 0065\\ 0\cdot 0065\\ 0\cdot 0067\\ 0\cdot 0068\\ 0\cdot 0068\\ 0\cdot 00683\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 201 \\ 0 \cdot 194 \\ 0 \cdot 186 \\ 0 \cdot 177 \\ 0 \cdot 169 \\ 0 \cdot 160 \\ 0 \cdot 152 \\ 0 \cdot 15 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\cdot 00577\\ 0\cdot 0058\\ 0\cdot 0059\\ 0\cdot 0060\\ 0\cdot 0061\\ 0\cdot 0062\\ 0\cdot 00627\\ 0\cdot 0063\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{c}1\cdot 709\\1\cdot 852\\2\end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 0.975 \\ 0.940 \\ 0.862 \end{array} $	0·0175 0·0168 0·0162	$ \begin{array}{r} 0.144 \\ 0.137 \\ 0.129 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 0.0069 \\ 0.0070 \\ 0.0074 \end{array} $	$0.144 \\ 0.137 \\ 0.130$	0.0064 0.0066 0.0073

For both cases considered, it can be seen that the point of zero pressure on a leading edge moves along the edge towards the apex, or downstream of the wing tips, according as the Mach number is greater than or less than the design Mach number.

# APPENDIX I The functions $f_1, \ldots, f_{13}$ $f_1 = f_4 = \frac{1}{2\varkappa^2 E(\varkappa)} \{ (2\varkappa^2 - 1)E(\varkappa) + (1 - \varkappa^2)K(\varkappa) \}$ $f_5 = \frac{3}{2\varkappa^2 E(\varkappa)} \{ (1 + \varkappa^2)E(\varkappa) - (1 - \varkappa^3)K(\varkappa) \}$ $f_6 = \frac{1}{2\varkappa^4 E(\varkappa)} \{ (1 - \varkappa^2)(2 + 3\varkappa^2)K(\varkappa) - 2(1 + \varkappa^2 - 3\varkappa^4)E(\varkappa) \}$ $f_7 = \frac{1}{2\varkappa^4 E(\varkappa)} \{ (2 - 3\varkappa^2 + \varkappa^4)E(\varkappa) - 2(1 - \varkappa^2)^2K(\varkappa) \}$ $f_{10} = \frac{1}{2\varkappa^4 E(\varkappa)} \{ 2(1 - \varkappa^2)(1 + 2\varkappa^2)K(\varkappa) - (2 + 3\varkappa^2 - 8\varkappa^4)E(\varkappa) \}$ $f_{11} = \frac{3}{2\varkappa^4 E(\varkappa)} \{ 2(1 - \varkappa^2 + \varkappa^4)E(\varkappa) - (1 - \varkappa^2)(2 - \varkappa^2)K(\varkappa) \}$ $f_{12} = \frac{1}{6\varkappa^6 E(\varkappa)} \{ (1 - \varkappa^2)(8 + 7\varkappa^2 + 12\varkappa^4)K(\varkappa) - (8 + 3\varkappa^2 + 7\varkappa^4 - 24\varkappa^6)E(\varkappa) \}$ $f_{13} = \frac{1}{2\varkappa_9 E(\varkappa)} \{ (8 - 11\varkappa^2 + \varkappa^4 + 2\varkappa^6)E(\varkappa) - (1 - \varkappa^2)(8 - 7\varkappa^2 - \varkappa^4)K(\varkappa) \}$

## APPENDIX II

The functions  $f_1, f_4, \ldots, f_{13}$ . Numerical Values

$\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan \mu}$	$f_1 = f_4$	$f_5$	f_6	<i>f</i> <sub>7</sub>	f <sub>10</sub>	f <sub>11</sub>	f <sub>12</sub>	f <sub>13</sub>
$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \cdot 1 \\ 0 \cdot 2 \\ 0 \cdot 3 \\ 0 \cdot 4 \\ 0 \cdot 5 \\ 0 \cdot 6 \\ 0 \cdot 7 \\ \sqrt{52} \\ 0 \cdot 8 \\ 0 \cdot 9 \\ 1 \cdot 0 \end{array} $	0.5 0.5135 0.5390 0.6000 0.6300 0.6585 0.6845 0.6899 0.7085 0.7300 0.7500	$\begin{array}{c} 3\\ 2\cdot 9600\\ 2\cdot 8831\\ 2\cdot 7929\\ 2\cdot 6999\\ 2\cdot 6097\\ 2\cdot 5247\\ 2\cdot 4463\\ 2\cdot 4304\\ 2\cdot 3743\\ 2\cdot 3093\\ 2\cdot 2500\end{array}$	$1 \\ 1 \cdot 0624 \\ 1 \cdot 1774 \\ 1 \cdot 3093 \\ 1 \cdot 4429 \\ 1 \cdot 5703 \\ 1 \cdot 6894 \\ 1 \cdot 7969 \\ 1 \cdot 8190 \\ 1 \cdot 8952 \\ 1 \cdot 9820 \\ 2 \cdot 0625 $	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \cdot 0048 \\ 0 \cdot 0176 \\ 0 \cdot 0359 \\ 0 \cdot 0571 \\ 0 \cdot 0799 \\ 0 \cdot 1030 \\ 0 \cdot 1257 \\ 0 \cdot 1303 \\ 0 \cdot 1473 \\ 0 \cdot 1685 \\ 0 \cdot 1875 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1\cdot 5\\ 1\cdot 5751\\ 1\cdot 7163\\ 1\cdot 8786\\ 2\cdot 0430\\ 2\cdot 2007\\ 2\cdot 3476\\ 2\cdot 4817\\ 2\cdot 5088\\ 2\cdot 6038\\ 2\cdot 7125\\ 2\cdot 8125\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 3\\ 2\cdot 9744\\ 2\cdot 9358\\ 2\cdot 9002\\ 2\cdot 8713\\ 2\cdot 8495\\ 2\cdot 8338\\ 2\cdot 8235\\ 2\cdot 8235\\ 2\cdot 8213\\ 2\cdot 8167\\ 2\cdot 8146\\ 2\cdot 8125\end{array}$	$1 \\ 1 \cdot 1040 \\ 1 \cdot 2929 \\ 1 \cdot 5044 \\ 1 \cdot 7143 \\ 1 \cdot 9123 \\ 2 \cdot 0944 \\ 2 \cdot 2583 \\ 2 \cdot 2918 \\ 2 \cdot 4066 \\ 2 \cdot 5365 \\ 2 \cdot 6563 \\ \end{array}$	$\begin{matrix} 0 \\ 0 \cdot 0142 \\ 0 \cdot 0508 \\ 0 \cdot 1010 \\ 0 \cdot 1578 \\ 0 \cdot 2163 \\ 0 \cdot 2735 \\ 0 \cdot 3284 \\ 0 \cdot 3386 \\ 0 \cdot 3786 \\ 0 \cdot 4306 \\ 0 \cdot 4688 \end{matrix}$

## APPENDIX III

Solutions of the Linearised Supersonic Flow Equation in Terms of the Lamé Functions of the M Class of Degree n = 5

For n = 5, there are three *M* Lamé functions of the form

where

$$27a_m^3 - (60\varkappa^2 + 42)a_m^2 + (32\varkappa^4 + 68\varkappa^2 + 16)a_m - 2\varkappa^2(12\varkappa^2 + 8) = 0 \quad .. \quad (3)$$

$$b_m = \frac{\varkappa^2 a_m}{(12\varkappa^2 + 8 - 9a_m)}, \qquad \dots \qquad (4)$$

where

$$\varkappa^2 = 1 - \frac{\tan^2 \gamma}{\tan^2 \bar{\mu}}$$

(cf. general solutions for n = 2N + 1 in Ref. 2).

The roots of equations (3), (4), correct to six decimal places, for different values of  $\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan \bar{\mu}}$  are given in Appendix IV.

x, y, z are written for the non-dimensional co-ordinates  $x' = x\sigma/c$ ,  $y' = y\sigma/c$ ,  $z' = z\sigma/c$ .

The solution for the velocity potential

with

$$arphi_m = C_5 r^5 F_5(\mu) E_5(r),$$
 $C_5 = rac{\delta V eta^5 \sigma^4}{c^4 E(\kappa)},$ 

gives

and

$$z_{m} = \frac{\delta(1-\varkappa^{2})}{E(\varkappa)} (1-a_{m}+b_{m})(k^{11}I_{m})[\frac{1}{5}(\varkappa^{4}-a_{m}\varkappa^{2}+b_{m})\chi^{5} + \frac{1}{3}(1-\varkappa^{2})(a_{m}\varkappa^{2}-2b_{m})k^{2}\chi^{3}y^{2} + (1-\varkappa^{2})^{2}b_{m}k^{4}\chi y^{4}] + f(y) \qquad ... \qquad (6)$$

where

$$k^{11}I_{m} = k^{11} \int_{-k}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \frac{1}{t[P_{m}^{-5}(t)]^{2}(t^{2} - h^{2})^{1/2}} \right] \frac{dt}{(t^{2} - k^{2})^{1/2}} \\ = \frac{1}{a_{m}^{2} - 4b_{m}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{a_{m}}{\varkappa^{2}b_{m}} + \frac{2\varkappa^{2} - a_{m}}{(1 - \varkappa^{2})^{2}\varkappa^{2}(\varkappa^{4} - a_{m}\varkappa^{2} + b_{m})} \right. \\ \left. - 3\left( \frac{2 - 2a_{m} + a_{m}^{-2} - 2b_{m}}{(1 - \varkappa^{2})(1 - a_{m} + b_{m})^{2}} \right) + \frac{\varkappa^{2} - 2}{(1 - \varkappa^{2})^{2}} \left( \frac{2 - a_{m}}{1 - a_{m} + b_{m}} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4}{(1 - \varkappa^{2})(1 - a_{m} + b_{m})} \right\} E(\varkappa) - \left\{ 2\left( \frac{a_{m} - 1}{b_{m}(1 - a_{m} + b_{m})} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\frac{1}{2}[a_{m}^{-2} - 2b_{m} - 2a_{m}(a_{m}^{-2} - b_{m}) + a_{m}^{-4} + 4a_{m}^{-2}b_{m} - 14b_{m}^{-2} - 4a_{m}b_{m}(a_{m}^{-2} - 3b_{m})] \right\} K(\varkappa) \right].$$
(7)

By constructing potentials of the form

$$\phi_{5}^{s} = \sum_{m=1}^{3} [\lambda_{m} k^{4} (1 - a_{m} + b_{m}) \varphi_{m}], \quad s = 1, 2, 3 \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (8)$$

we obtain the three basic solutions

$$(\phi_5^{1})_{z=0} = \frac{V\delta c}{\delta k E(z)} x^4 X,$$
  
$$(\phi_5^{2})_{z=0} = \frac{V\delta c}{\delta k E(z)} x^2 y^2 X,$$

$$(\phi_5^3)_{z=0} = \frac{V\delta c}{\delta k E(\kappa)} \mathcal{Y}^4 X.$$

The shapes of the corresponding surfaces are given by

For the solution  $\phi_5^1$ , we obtain

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{\varkappa^4 k^4 \varDelta} (a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2),$$

where

.

$$d = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ b_1 & b_2 & b_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

and similar expressions for  $\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_3$ .

For the solution  $\phi_5^2$ ,

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{k^6 \varkappa^2 (1 - \varkappa^2) \varDelta} \left[ b_2 - b_3 + \frac{1}{\varkappa^2} \left( a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \right) \right] \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad (12)$$

and for the solution  $\phi_{5}^{3}$ ,

The values of  $a_m$ ,  $b_m$  are given in Appendix IV, and the values of  $\lambda_m$  for s = 1, 2, 3 in Appendix V.

Hence we form three independent solutions of the type given in R. & M. 2794<sup>2</sup>.

(i) Using the basic solutions  $\phi_5^1$ ,  $\phi_5^2$ , we construct the induced velocity-potential

$$\Psi_5{}^1 = \phi_5{}^1 - k^2 \phi_5{}^2,$$

for which  $(X \equiv (x'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2})$ 

and the pressure coefficient is

28

The shape of the surface, at design incidence, is given by (16)Using the basic solutions  $\phi_5^2$ ,  $\phi_5^3$ , we construct the induced velocity potential (ii)  $\Psi_{5}^{2} = \phi_{5}^{2} - k^{2}\phi_{5}^{3}$ for which  $(\Psi_5^2)_{z=0} = \frac{V\delta c}{\sigma k E(\varkappa)} y^2 X^3, \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots$ (17)and  $C_{p\,0} = \frac{-2\delta}{kE(\varkappa)} (3xy^2X) \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots \quad \dots$ (18)The shape of the surface at design incidence is given by (19).. .. .. .. ..  $z = z_{5,2} - k^2 z_{5,3}$  . ••, •• Using the basic solutions  $\phi_1$ ,  $\phi_5^1$ , we construct the induced velocity potential (iii)  $\Phi_5^{\ 1} = \phi_1 - \phi_5^{\ 1},$ for which  $(\Phi_5^{1})_{z=0} = \frac{V\delta c}{\sigma k E(z)} (1-x^4) X, \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots \qquad \dots$ (20)and  $C_{p \ 0} = \frac{-2\delta}{kE(\varkappa)} \left[ \frac{x(1-x^4)}{X} - 4x^3 X \right] \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots$ (21)The shape of the surface at the design incidence is (22)

#### Example

For  $\varkappa^2 = 0.48$ , the surfaces corresponding to the three basic solutions for n = 5 are given by :

$$\begin{split} z_{5,1} &= -\delta(0\cdot 5610x^5 - 0\cdot 2444k^2x^3y^2 + 0\cdot 1321k^4xy^4) \\ k^2 z_{5,2} &= \delta(0\cdot 0470x^5 - 1\cdot 0071k^2x^3y^2 + 0\cdot 3631k^4xy^4) \\ k^4 z_{5,3} &= -\delta(0\cdot 0977x^5 - 1\cdot 4080k^2x^3y^2 + 6\cdot 8350k^4xy^4). \end{split}$$

The surfaces corresponding to the basic solutions for n = 1, 2, 3, 4 are given by :

$$\begin{split} z_1 &= -\delta x \\ z_2 &= -0.6899\delta x^2 \\ z_{3,1} &= -\delta(0.6063x^3 - 0.1303k^2xy^2) \\ k^2 z_{3,2} &= \delta(0.0835x^3 - 2.3001k^2xy^2) \\ z_{4,1} &= -\delta(0.5729x^4 - 0.1693k^2x^2y^2) \\ k^2 z_{4,2} &= \delta(0.0542x^4 - 1.2414k^2x^2y^2) \\ \end{split}$$

29

# APPENDIX IV

Numerical Values of  $a_m$ ,  $b_m$  for the Lamé Function  $E_5^m(\mu) = (\mu^4 - a_m k^2 \mu^2 + b_m k^4)(|\mu^2 - k^2|)^{1/2}$ 

$\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan \mu}$	<i>a</i> <sub>1</sub>	$b_1$	a2	b2		$b_3$	$\varkappa^2$
$0 \\ 0 \cdot 1 \\ 0 \cdot 2 \\ 0 \cdot 3 \\ 0 \cdot 4 \\ 0 \cdot 5 \\ 0 \cdot 6 \\ 0 \cdot 7 \\ \sqrt{52} \\ 0 \cdot 8 \\ 0 \cdot 9 \\ 1 \cdot 0$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.666667\\ 0.664970\\ 0.659505\\ 0.648970\\ 0.630543\\ 0.598776\\ 0.544852\\ 0.459468\\ 0.436934\\ 0.338897\\ 0.184935\\ 0\end{array}$	0.047619 0.047377 0.046007 0.045153 0.042697 0.032358 0.023469 0.023469 0.021341 0.013161 0.004078 0	$\begin{array}{c} 1\cdot 111111\\ 1\cdot 103081\\ 1\cdot 079327\\ 1\cdot 040976\\ 0\cdot 990590\\ 0\cdot 933138\\ 0\cdot 876653\\ 0\cdot 829013\\ 0\cdot 820339\\ 0\cdot 790825\\ 0\cdot 750701\\ 0\cdot 666667\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0 \cdot 111111 \\ 0 \cdot 109729 \\ 0 \cdot 105665 \\ 0 \cdot 099180 \\ 0 \cdot 090794 \\ 0 \cdot 081362 \\ 0 \cdot 072022 \\ 0 \cdot 063494 \\ 0 \cdot 061748 \\ 0 \cdot 054722 \\ 0 \cdot 040478 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 2\\ 1\cdot 987504\\ 1\cdot 950064\\ 1\cdot 887832\\ 1\cdot 801089\\ 1\cdot 690307\\ 1\cdot 556272\\ 1\cdot 400408\\ 1\cdot 364949\\ 1\cdot 225834\\ 1\cdot 029338\\ 0\cdot 888889\end{array}$	$1 \\ 0.987536 \\ 0.950563 \\ 0.890343 \\ 0.808959 \\ 0.709324 \\ 0.595150 \\ 0.471012 \\ 0.444049 \\ 0.342759 \\ 0.192502 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 1\\ 0.99\\ 0.96\\ 0.91\\ 0.84\\ 0.75\\ 0.64\\ 0.51\\ 0.48\\ 0.36\\ 0.19\\ 0\end{array} $

# APPENDIX V

. Numerical Values of  $\lambda_{m}$  in the basic Solutions for n=5

$\frac{\tan \gamma}{\tan \mu}$	$\frac{k^4\lambda_1}{s=1}$	$k^4\lambda_2$	$k^4\lambda_3$	$\frac{k^6\lambda_1}{s=2}$	k <sup>6</sup> λ <sub>2</sub>	$k^6 \lambda_3$	$\frac{k^8 \lambda_1}{s=3}$	$k^8\lambda_2$	$k^8\lambda_3$	$\varkappa^2$
$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \cdot 1 \\ 0 \cdot 2 \\ 0 \cdot 3 \\ 0 \cdot 4 \\ 0 \cdot 5 \\ 0 \cdot 6 \\ 0 \cdot 7 \\ \sqrt{52} \\ 0 \cdot 8 \\ 0 \cdot 9 \\ 1 \cdot 0 \\ \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 2\cdot 62500\\ 2\cdot 69840\\ 2\cdot 93344\\ 3\cdot 37805\\ 4\cdot 11647\\ 5\cdot 24759\\ 6\cdot 82132\\ 9\cdot 07704\\ 9\cdot 75534\\ 14\cdot 04160\\ 23\cdot 96306\\ 37\cdot 54870\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} -1\cdot 68750\\ -1\cdot 74222\\ -1\cdot 91772\\ -2\cdot 24977\\ -2\cdot 79575\\ -3\cdot 59616\\ -4\cdot 56100\\ -5\cdot 52492\\ -5\cdot 74514\\ -6\cdot 88558\\ -8\cdot 93885\\ -11\cdot 46503\end{array}$	0.06250 0.06413 0.06934 0.07930 0.09651 0.12636 0.18108 0.29250 0.33006 0.56013 0.97539 1.61535	0.68660 0.78825 0.99635 1.39406 2.13750 3.46218 5.75745 6.46478 10.78680 20.41064 33.33941	$114 \cdot 06225$ $29 \cdot 67611$ $14 \cdot 03547$ $8 \cdot 49012$ $5 \cdot 74962$ $3 \cdot 99047$ $2 \cdot 74579$ $2 \cdot 54675$ $2 \cdot 00364$ $1 \cdot 98244$	$\begin{array}{c} -12 \cdot 70684 \\ -3 \cdot 33745 \\ -1 \cdot 61400 \\ -1 \cdot 02646 \\ -0 \cdot 93854 \\ -0 \cdot 67115 \\ -0 \cdot 65701 \\ -0 \cdot 66486 \\ -0 \cdot 73407 \\ -0 \cdot 85380 \\ -1 \cdot 12316 \end{array}$	0.32045 0.40779 0.53905 0.80435 1.33448 2.36691 4.32642 4.95533 8.90245 17.92285 30.68293	$\begin{array}{c} 86 \cdot 20341 \\ 22 \cdot 81665 \\ 11 \cdot 13325 \\ 7 \cdot 10968 \\ 5 \cdot 22539 \\ 4 \cdot 13520 \\ 3 \cdot 53619 \\ 3 \cdot 49116 \\ 3 \cdot 75386 \\ 3 \cdot 06294 \\ 5 \cdot 40664 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 10117\cdot 588\\ 654\cdot 9521\\ 137\cdot 3924\\ 47\cdot 44718\\ 21\cdot 88458\\ 12\cdot 33554\\ 8\cdot 15027\\ 7\cdot 60481\\ 6\cdot 18168\\ 5\cdot 45887\\ 6\cdot 13070\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 0.99 \\ 0.96 \\ 0.91 \\ 0.84 \\ 0.75 \\ 0.64 \\ 0.51 \\ 0.48 \\ 0.36 \\ 0.19 \\ 0 \end{array}$

Conclusion.—In Part I of this paper, formulae have been found for the pressure distribution and wave drag at zero incidence, at supersonic speeds, for some finite swept-back wings, having symmetrical sections with rounded leading edges and wing tips perpendicular to the root chord. The formulae derived enable a numerical comparison with the drag of a complete delta wing to be made. (cf. equations (72) to (77).)

Formulae have also been found for calculating the change in pressure distribution on a Squire wing, when the local thickness/chord ratio, particularly towards the wing tips, is modified. The same method could be applied to any surface of the type of those given in Refs. 4 or 1.

Within the limits of the linearised theory of supersonic flow, a fairly full investigation into the effect of camber and twist on the pressure distribution and drag on a curved wing has now been made. In Ref. 2, wings were designed for given Mach numbers, such that the thrust loading on a leading edge was removed, or decreased to zero at some point on the edge. The effects of varying the position of the point of zero pressure, and of a change of incidence were calculated.

In Part II of the present paper, the effect of a change of Mach number has been calculated. Some additional solutions of the linearised supersonic flow equation are given in Appendices III, IV of Part II. The formulae given in section 3 for any Mach number can easily be extended to include these, or any higher order, solutions.

#### Acknowledgement.

B. M.

Acknowledgement is due to Mrs. **W**. **B**. Osman for the help she has given with the computation and for preparing most of the drawings.

LIST OF SYMBOLS

Parts I and II:

 $\gamma$  Apex semi-angle

 $\hat{x}$  Chordwise co-ordinate (measured downstream from the apex)

*y* Spanwise co-ordinate (positive to starboard)

*z* Normal co-ordinate (positive upwards)

M Mach number

$$\beta = (M^2 - 1)^{1/2}$$

 $k = \cot \gamma$ 

V Free-stream velocity

 $\rho$  Free-stream density

 $K(\varkappa)$  Complete elliptic integral of the first kind, modulus  $\varkappa$ 

E(z) Complete elliptic integral of the second kind, modulus z

Part I:

*c* Chord in the vertical plane of symmetry

 $t_0$  Constant determining thickness (in section 6)

or Maximum thickness of the wing in the vertical plane of symmetry (in section 9)

 $T_{0}$ Maximum thickness of the wing in the vertical plane of symmetry (in section 6)  $\mu$ cf. equations (1), (2) Mach angle т h  $(\cot^2 \gamma - \cot^2 m)^{1/2}$ h/kн  $\phi, \Phi$ Induced velocity potential  $C_{\phi}$ Pressure coefficient  $E_n(\mu)$ Standard Lamé function of the K class of degree n $F_n(\mu)$ Lamé function of the second kind of the K class of degree n $R_n(\mu)$  $= F_n(\mu)/E_n(\mu)$  $a_m b_m, c_m$ cf. equations (6), (20), (30)  $a_m' = a_m/k^2$  $b_m' = b_m/k^4$  $c_m' = c_m/k^6$  $c_m'' = c_m'/k^2$  $a_m'' = a_m'/k^2$  $b_m'' = b_m'/k^2$ cf. equations (14, (18), (24), (34)  $\lambda_m$ DTotal drag  $D_{\phi}$ Pressure integral  $D_n$ Drag due to pressure at rounded leading edge  $C_{D}$  $= C_{Dp} + C_{Dn}$ , total wave-drag coefficient at zero lift  $f_1, f_2, F_1$ cf. equations (45) to (54) $F_{2}, F_{3}, F_{4}$  $Y = \left[\frac{c}{a}(d-c)\right]^{1/2} \quad (cf. \text{ equation (63)})$  $C_r, C_r'$ *cf.* formula (60) a, dcf. equation (55) b==== d|cA, B, C,cf. equation (57) D, E, F

Part II:

*c* Maximum chord of a triangular wing

 $\delta$  Small dimensionless constant, proportional to design lift coefficient  $C_{L_0}$ .

 $1/\sigma$  Distance in maximum chord lengths, (in free-stream direction) from the apex, of point of zero pressure on a leading edge

$$\begin{array}{c} x' = \frac{x\sigma}{c} \\ y' = \frac{y\sigma}{c} \\ z' = \frac{z\sigma}{c} \end{array} \right\} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Non-dimensional co-ordinates} \\ (\text{The dashes are dropped in the text}) \\ z' = \frac{z\sigma}{c} \end{array} \\ \hline \\ X = (x'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ \mu \\ z' = (r'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ \mu \\ z' = (r'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ \mu \\ z' = (r'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ \mu \\ z' = (r'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ \mu \\ z' = (r'^2 - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2} \\ z' = (r'' - k^2 y'^2)^{1/2}$$

.

с

,

33

# REFERENCES

No.		Author	1			Title, etc.
1	G. M. Roper	•••		••		The pressure distribution, at supersonic speeds and zero lift, on some swept-back wings having symmetrical sections with rounded leading edges. R. & M. 2700. February, 1949.
<sup>.</sup> 2	G. M. Roper				••	Calculation of the effect of camber and twist on the pressure distribution and drag on some curved plates at supersonic speeds. R. & M. 2794. September, 1950.
:3	A. Robinson					Aerofoil theory of a flat delta wing at supersonic speeds. R. & M. 2548. September, 1946.
-4	H. B. Squire					Theory of the flow over a particular wing in a supersonic stream. R. & M. 2549. February, 1947.
.5	A. Robinson	•••	••	••	•••	Rotary derivatives of a delta wing at supersonic speeds. J. R. Ae. S. November, 1948.
·6	E. W. Hobson	••			••	Spherical and Ellipsoidal Harmonics. Cambridge University Press.
'7	R. T. Jones			•••		Leading-edge singularities in thin-airfoil theory. J. Ac. Sci., Vol. 17, No. 5. May, 1950.



FIG. 1. Surface (ia), shape and pressure distribution. M = 1.345.  $T_0/c = 0.1$ .



FIG. 2. Surface (ib), shape and pressure distribution. M = 1.345.  $T_0/c = 0.10$ . Solution not valid behind the lines MP, NQ.



FIG. 3. Surface (ii), shape and pressure distribution. M = 1.345.  $T_0/c = 0.1$ .





and the second processing of the second second second





OA





FIG. 8c. Shape of surface (1).



.





σ







## R. & M. No. 2865



R. & M. No. 2865