

## **ME 323: FLUID MECHANICS-II**

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**Normal Shock Wave** 

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#### **Shock Waves**

**Shock waves** are the natural consequences of high speed flows. There are many aerodynamic applications where shock waves are the integral part of the flow field. For example, supersonic nozzle flows in overexpanded condition, exhaust of rocket engines, passage of high pressure compressors and turbines, flow around supersonic aircraft (external flows), etc.

Shock wave which is at **right angle** to the flow is **normal shock wave** and which is **inclined** to the flow direction is known as **oblique shock wave**.

The shock wave is a very thin region and the thickness is usually on the order of a few molecular mean free paths, typically in the order of 10<sup>-6</sup> m for air at standard conditions.

Since the **shock wave** is almost an instantaneous compression of the gas, it **can NOT be described using the concept of reversible isentropic process**.





Though the shock wave is a **very thin** region in the flow field, there is an abrupt/instantaneous change of flow properties occur. Flow properties **just upstream of the shock wave, 1** and **just downstream of the wave, 2** vary considerably. And thus, we need to deal this tiny region separately and more carefully. The flow process from 1 to 2 is **non-isentropic.** 

The flow is **supersonic (M >1) ahead** of the normal shock, and **subsonic (M <1)** behind it. (will be shown)

Furthermore, the static pressure, temperature, and density increase across the normal shock. However, total pressure is decreased.

Although a shock wave can move in the flow field, we will deal with a fixed (steady) **normal shock wave in this course** (ME 323: Fluid Mechanics-II)



non-isentropic Control volume





Now, we will concentrate only on the region surrounding the normal shock wave (**very thin** region). The following assumptions are considered to develop shock relations:

- 1. Adiabatic flow (no heat transfer to and from the CV)
- 2. Thickness of the shock wave is very small  $(A_1 \approx A_2)$ .
- 3. Frictionless ideal flow ( $\mu \approx 0$ )
- 4. Steady 1-D flow.
- 5. Fluid behaves as ideal gas.

First, consider the **mass continuity** across the CV:

$$\rho_1 A_1 V_1 = \rho_2 A_2 V_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \rho_1 V_1 = \rho_2 V_2 \qquad \because A_1 \approx A_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{p_1}{RT_1} V_1 = \frac{p_2}{RT_2} V_2 \qquad \because p = \rho RT$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{V_2}{V_1} \times \frac{p_2}{p_1}$$





$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{M_2 a_2}{M_1 a_1} \times \frac{p_2}{p_1} \qquad \because \text{ Mach no., } M = \frac{V}{a}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{M_2 \sqrt{kRT_2}}{M_1 \sqrt{kRT_1}} \times \frac{p_2}{p_1} \qquad \because \text{ sound speed, } a = \sqrt{kRT}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{T_2}{T_1}} = \frac{M_2}{M_1} \times \frac{p_2}{p_1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1}\right)^2 \left(\frac{M_2}{M_1}\right)^2 \tag{1}$$





Second, consider the **momentum equation** for the control volume:

$$\rightarrow +\sum F_{X} = m \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{1}A_{1} - p_{2}A_{2} = \dot{m}(V_{2} - V_{1})$$
  

$$\Rightarrow (p_{1} - p_{2})A_{1} = \rho_{2}A_{2}V_{2}V_{2} - \rho_{1}A_{1}V_{1}V_{1} \qquad \because \rho_{2}A_{2}V_{2} = \rho_{1}A_{1}V_{1}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow p_{1} - p_{2} = \rho_{2}V_{2}^{2} - \rho_{1}V_{1}^{2} \qquad \because A_{1} \approx A_{2}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow p_{1} + \rho_{1}V_{1}^{2} = p_{2} + \rho_{2}V_{2}^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_1 + \frac{p_1}{RT_1} V_1^2 = p_2 + \frac{p_2}{RT_2} V_2^2 \qquad \because p = \rho RT$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{1} + \frac{p_{1}k}{kRT_{1}}V_{1}^{2} = p_{2} + \frac{p_{2}k}{kRT_{2}}V_{2}^{2}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow p_{1} + \frac{p_{1}k}{a_{1}^{2}}V_{1}^{2} = p_{2} + \frac{p_{2}k}{a_{2}^{2}}V_{2}^{2} \qquad \because a = \sqrt{kRT}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow p_{1} + p_{1}kM_{1}^{2} = p_{2} + p_{2}kM_{2}^{2}$$

$$\implies \frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{1 + kM_1^2}{1 + kM_2^2} \tag{2}$$





Third, consider the energy equation for adiabatic process and no shaft work inside the control volume:







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Now, use Eqn. (2) and Eqn. (3) in Eqn. (1):

$$\Rightarrow \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \left(\frac{p_2}{p_1}\right)^2 \left(\frac{M_2}{M_1}\right)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1 + \frac{k - 1}{2} M_1^2}{1 + \frac{k - 1}{2} M_2^2} = \left(\frac{1 + k M_1^2}{1 + k M_2^2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{M_2}{M_1}\right)^2$$
$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$\Rightarrow M_2^2 = \frac{(k-1)M_1^2 + 2}{2kM_1^2 - (k-1)}$$

## This is very useful and important shock relation, relating the downstream Mach no. $M_2$ to upstream Mach no. $M_1$ only.

(1)





When  $M_1 = 1$ , then  $M_2 = 1$ ; This is the case of an infinitely weak normal shock, which is defined as a Mach wave.

In contrast, as  $M_1$  increases above 1, the normal shock becomes stronger and  $M_2$  becomes progressively less than 1.

$$M_1 \to \infty : M_2 = \sqrt{\frac{k-1}{2k}}$$



- $M_2$  is always less than 1 if  $M_1$  supersonic.
- A normal shock wave decelerates a flow almost discontinuously from supersonic (M>1) to subsonic condition (M<1).</li>
- The static pressure downstream the shock wave increases significantly compared to upstream condition.
- This adverse pressure gradient generates some sort of drag which is called the "wave drag" and it has no relation with frictional behavior of fluid with this type of drag.
- In supersonic flow, wave drag is most crucial to deal with.
- There will be a loss of total pressure due to appearance of shock waves. (*p*<sub>02</sub> < *p*<sub>01</sub>)







The Mach no. just downstream of the shock is related to the Mach no. just upstream of the shock according to:

 $M_{2}^{2} = \frac{(k-1)M_{1}^{2} + 2}{2kM_{1}^{2} - (k-1)}$ 

Use this expression in the relation of static pressure ratio,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p_2}{p_1} &= \frac{1 + kM_1^2}{1 + kM_2^2} \\ &= \frac{1 + kM_1^2}{1 + k\frac{(k-1)M_1^2 + 2}{2kM_1^2 - (k-1)}} \\ &= \frac{(1 + kM_1^2)(2kM_1^2 - (k-1))}{2kM_1^2 - (k-1) + k(k-1)M_1^2 + 2k} \\ &= \frac{(1 + kM_1^2)(2kM_1^2 - (k-1))}{kM_1^2(2 + k - 1) - (k-1) + 2k} \end{aligned}$$



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$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{(1+kM_1^2)(2kM_1^2 - (k-1))}{(k+1)(1+kM_1^2)}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{2kM_1^2 - (k-1)}{(k+1)}$$





Relation of pressure ratio in terms of upstream Mach number,  $M_1$ .

In case of air flows (k = 1.4);

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \frac{1}{6} \left( 7M_1^2 - 1 \right)$$





#### Again the **shock strength** is defined as,





Shock strength in terms of upstream Mach number,  $M_1$ .





Now the **change of entropy** across the shock is;

$$\frac{s_2 - s_1}{R} = \frac{c_p}{R} \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - \ln \frac{p_2}{p_1}$$

(Thermodynamic relation)

Recall the isentropic relations for compressible flows:

 $T_{0} = T \left( 1 + \frac{k - 1}{2} M^{2} \right)$  $p_{0} = p \left( 1 + \frac{k - 1}{2} M^{2} \right)^{\frac{k}{k - 1}}$ 



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Since adiabatic process:  $T_{02} = T_{01} = T_0$ Total temperature is remained same.











Now, use the expressions of temperature ratio and pressure ratio, and recall;

$$\frac{c_p}{R} = \frac{k}{k-1}$$
$$M_2^2 = \frac{(k-1)M_1^2 + 2}{2kM_1^2 - (k-1)}$$

The change of entropy becomes:







 $\frac{s_2 - s_1}{R} = \frac{c_p}{R} \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - \ln \frac{p_2}{p_1}$ 

for complete derivation of this expression.



But from the second law of thermodynamics,  $s_2 > s_1$ , so that



Total pressure (pressure energy) is lost across a normal shock wave to mitigate the wave drag.

