

# Problems of Chapter 8 (Linearized flows)

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9.2 The low-speed lift coefficient for a NACA 2412 airfoil at an angle of attack of  $4^\circ$  is 0.65. Using the Prandtl-Glauert rule, calculate the lift coefficient for  $M_\infty = 0.7$ .

9.3 In low-speed flow, the pressure coefficient at a point on an airfoil is -0.9. Calculate the value of  $C_p$  at the same point for  $M_\infty = 0.6$  by means of:

- (a) The Prandtl-Glauert rule
- (b) Laitone's correction
- (c) The Karman-Tsien rule

9.4 Consider a flat plat with chord length  $c$  at an angle of attack  $\alpha$  to a supersonic free stream of Mach number  $M_\infty$ . Let  $L$  and  $D$  be the lift and drag per unit span,  $S = c(1)$ . Using linearized theory, derive the following expression for the lift and drag coefficients (where  $C_L \equiv \frac{L}{\frac{1}{2}\rho_\infty V_\infty^2 S}$  and  $C_D \equiv \frac{D}{\frac{1}{2}\rho_\infty V_\infty^2 S}$ ):

$$(a) C_L = \frac{4\alpha}{\sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}}$$

$$(b) C_D = \frac{4\alpha^2}{\sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}}$$

9.5 For the flat plate in Problem 9.4, the quarter-chord point is located, by definition, at a distance equal to  $c/4$  from the leading edge. Using linearised theory, derive the following expression for the moment coefficient about the quarter-chord point for supersonic flow:

$$C_{M_{c/4}} = \frac{-\alpha}{\sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}}$$

where  $C_{M_{c/4}} \equiv M_{c/4} / \frac{1}{2}\rho_\infty V_\infty^2 S c$ , and as usual in aeronautical practice, a positive moment by convention is in the direction of the increasing angle of attack.

9.7 Consider a diamond-shaped airfoil such as that sketched in Fig 4.35. The half angle is  $\epsilon$ , thickness is  $t$ , and chord length is  $c$ . For supersonic flow, use linearized theory to derive the following expression for  $C_D$  at  $\alpha = 0$ .

$$C_D = \frac{4}{\sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}} \left(\frac{t}{c}\right)^2$$

9.11 At  $\alpha = 0^\circ$ , the minimum pressure coefficient for a NACA 0009 airfoil in low-speed flow is -0.25. Calculate the critical Mach number for this airfoil using

- (a) The Prandtl-Glauert rule.
- (b) The (more accurate) Karman-Tsien rule.