Linearized perturbation velocity equation

$$(1 - M_{\infty}^2)\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

> Subsonic flow
$$\beta^2 \phi_{xx} + \phi_{yy} = 0$$
 $\beta = \sqrt{1 - M_{\infty}^2}$

Elliptical partial differential equation (PDE)

> Supersonic flow
$$\lambda^2 \phi_{xx} - \phi_{yy} = 0$$
 $\lambda = \sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}$
Hyperbolic PDE

The model: supersonic flow over a surface with a small bump on two sides.

$$\lambda^2 \phi_{xx} - \phi_{yy} = 0 \quad \lambda = \sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

The general solution of equation ① is the following:



(1) General solution to equation (1) $\phi = f(x - \lambda y) + g(x + \lambda y)$

- > Let g=0, for constant ϕ , x- λy =const., thus $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 1}}$
- > Recalling Mach angle $\mu = \arcsin(1/M_{\infty}) = \arctan(1/\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 1})$ Constant ϕ in this case means left running Mach waves.



(2) Linearized pressure coefficient
$$C_p = -\frac{2u'}{V_{\infty}}$$

 \blacktriangleright Let g=0, corresponds to the upper Mach waves

$$\phi = f(x - \lambda y) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u' = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = f' \\ v' = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -\lambda f' \\ v' = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} = -\lambda f' \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow u' = -\frac{v'}{\lambda}$$
The BC at the surface $\tan \theta = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v'}{V_{\infty} + u'}$
For small perturbations, $u' \ll V_{\infty}$ and $\tan \theta \approx \theta$.

$$C_p = -\frac{2u'}{V_{\infty}} = \frac{2\theta}{\lambda} \Rightarrow C_p = \frac{2\theta}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}}$$
 Pressure coefficient for linearized supersonic flow

(2) Linearized pressure coefficient



Pressure coefficient for linearized supersonic flow

- C_p is proportional to the local inclination angle with free stream direction
- Valid for any two-dimensional geometry
- \succ For the right running Mach wave, we have C

$$C_p = \frac{-2\theta}{\sqrt{M_\infty^2 - 1}}$$

Cp is positive on compression surface and negative on expansion surface



Effects of free stream Mach number \succ



Homework: reproduce this figure

Example: Supersonic flow over wavy surface

Consider a supersonic flow with an upstream Mach number of M_{∞} . This flow moves over a wavy wall with a contour given by $y_w = h \cos(2\pi x/l)$, where y_w is the ordinate of the wall. For small h, use linear theory to derive an equation for the velocity potential and surface pressure coefficient.

Solution



Thus,
$$\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1} f'(x) = V_{\infty} h\left(\frac{2\pi}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right)$$
 at the wall

$$f'(x) = \frac{V_{\infty}h}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}} \left(\frac{2\pi}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right) \quad (2)$$

Integration ② with respect to its arguments x

$$f(x) = -\frac{V_{\infty}h}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right) + \text{const} \quad (3)$$

Replacing x with $(x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y})$

$$\phi(x, y) = f\left(x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y}\right)$$
$$= -\frac{V_{\infty}h}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}} \cos\left[\frac{2\pi}{l}\left(x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y}\right)\right] + \text{const}$$

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Supersonic flow $y_w = h \cos(2\pi x/l)$

$$C_p = -\frac{2u'}{V_{\infty}} = -\frac{2}{V_{\infty}}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x} = -\frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}}\left(\frac{h}{l}\right)\sin\left[\frac{2\pi}{l}\left(x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y}\right)\right] \quad (4)$$

Subsonic flow

$$C_p = -\frac{2u'}{V_{\infty}} = -\frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{1 - M_{\infty}^2}} \left(\frac{h}{l}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-2\pi\sqrt{1 - M_{\infty}^2}y}{l}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right)$$

- No attenuation factor for supersonic flow, the perturbation propagates to infinity
- > The magnitude of disturbance (ϕ or C_p) is a constant for given $\left(x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y}\right)$

$$x - \sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1y} = \text{const.} \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^2 - 1}}$$

The lines are Mach lines.





Supersonic flow $y_w = h \cos(2\pi x/l)$

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Subsonic flow

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(3) Recover the Prandtl-Glauert rule

$$y_{w} = h \cos\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$\frac{dy_{w}}{dx} = -2\pi \left(\frac{h}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right)$$

$$C_{p_{w}} = -\frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^{2} - 1}} \left(\frac{h}{l}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi x}{l}\right)$$

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$$C_{p_{w}} = \frac{2\left(\frac{dy_{w}}{dx}\right)}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^{2} - 1}}$$

$$C_{p_{w}} = \frac{2\theta}{\sqrt{M_{\infty}^{2} - 1}}$$

Linearized theory is not applicable when $M\infty \simeq 1$. Strong nonlinear effects. (1) Definition of Critical Mach number



Critical Mach number: freestream Mach number at which sonic flow is first encountered on the airfoil.

(2) Calculation of Critical Mach number

Assume isentropic flow, we have $\frac{p_A}{p_{\infty}}$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2}M_{\infty}^{2}}{1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2}M_{A}^{2}}\right)^{\gamma/(\gamma - 1)}$$

For pressure coefficient:

$$C_{pA} = \frac{2}{\gamma M_{\infty}^{2}} \left[\left(\frac{1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_{\infty}^{2}}{1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_{A}^{2}} \right)^{\gamma/(\gamma - 1)} - 1 \right]$$

When $M_A = 1$ $M_{\infty} \equiv M_{\rm cr}$

(2) Calculation of Critical Mach number



Curve B depends on the geometry of the airfoil.
Curve C is independent of the airfoil.

Gas dynamics

(3) Drag divergence and sound barrier

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Drag divergence Mach no: the free stream Mach no when the drag start to rise.

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(3) Drag divergence and sound barrier













