

Gas dynamics

1. Explain the formation of shock wave from a series of small compression waves! What are the major characteristics of shocks?
2. Derive relations between the Mach number (M) and temperature ratio (T/T_t), pressure ratio (p/p_t), density ratio (ρ/ρ_t) and dimensionless channel cross-section (A/A^*) for an isentropic flow!
3. Derive the quadratic equation for the square of upstream and the downstream side Mach numbers from the conservation laws applied to a steady normal shock!
4. Draw qualitatively correct graphs of the pressure, density, temperature, Mach number and stagnation pressure ratios for a normal shockwave!

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