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ME F415 Gas Dynamics

Mid-semester Examination

Date: 09/10/2023, 9:00 am to 10:30 am, Total marks: 30, and Weightage: 30%

Instructions

- i. This is an open-book examination. However, the use of Textbook (Gas Dynamics by Ethirajan Rathakrishnan), R1 (Modern Compressible Flow by John D. Anderson), class slides and handwritten notes are only permitted.
- ii. State assumptions if any and assume any missing data.

Questions

1. Derive the energy equation for steady, one-dimensional, inviscid flow with heat transfer using the Reynolds Transport Theorem. [6 marks]
2. Assume that the flow of air through a duct is adiabatic. The velocity, pressure, and temperature at a point are measured to be 250 m/s, 150 kPa, and 300 K respectively. Calculate the Mach number and all the stagnation properties (p_{01} , T_{01} , and ρ_{01}) at this point. At a point downstream, if the velocity and pressure are measured to be 300 m/s, and 125 kPa respectively, estimate the Mach number and all the stagnation properties (p_{02} , T_{02} , and ρ_{02}) at this point as well. [8 marks]
3. An explosion in the air creates a spherical shockwave propagating radially into the air at 100 kPa and 300 K and let us analyse this shockwave assuming it to be a normal shockwave. Suppose the pressure just inside the shock wave at a time instant is measured to be 1500 kPa. Calculate the shock strength $((p_2-p_1)/p_1)$ and shock speed at the given time instant. Also, calculate the air temperature and velocity just inside the shock at the same time instant. Assume air is a calorically perfect gas with $\gamma=1.4$. [7 marks]
4. A convergent-divergent nozzle is designed to expand air from a reservoir to produce Mach 2.5 flow at its exit. The stagnation pressure and temperature at the nozzle inlet are 8 bar and 300 K respectively. The throat area is 0.1 m^2 . Calculate:
 - (a) The exit area of the nozzle.
 - (b) The design back pressure.
 - (c) The mass flow rate through the nozzle when operating at the design conditions.
 - (d) The lowest back pressure for which there is only subsonic flow in the nozzle.
 - (e) The back pressure at which there will be a normal shock wave on the exit plane of the nozzle.
 - (f) The back pressure below which there are no shock waves in the nozzle.
 - (g) The range of back pressure over which there are oblique shock waves in the exhaust from the nozzle.
 - (h) The range of back pressures over which there are expansion waves in the exhaust from the nozzle.

[9 marks]