

# LECTURE 13

## ISENTROPIC MOTION OF THE CLAPEYRON GAS



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## DYNAMICS OF SMALL (ACOUSTIC) DISTURBANCES

Consider nonstationary motion in 1D. We have

- mass conservation equation  $\partial_t \rho + \rho \partial_x u + u \partial_x \rho = 0$
- Euler equation  $\rho (\partial_t u + u \partial_x u) = -\partial_x p$

**Assume that the flow is smooth.** Then, the energy equation can be replaced by the **isentropic condition**  $S = \text{const}$ .

Consider the **First Principle of Thermodynamics** written in the following form

$$TdS = \underbrace{c_v dT}_{dU - \text{int. energ.}} + p \underbrace{d(1/\rho)}_{d\mathcal{V} - \text{spec. vol.}}$$

The differential of (mass-specific) entropy can be expressed as follows

$$dS = \frac{c_v}{T} dT - \frac{p}{T\rho^2} d\rho \quad \underset{\text{Clapeyron equation}}{=} \quad \frac{c_v}{T} dT - \frac{R}{\rho} d\rho = \frac{c_v}{T} dT - \frac{(\kappa - 1)c_v}{\rho} d\rho$$

Using the **Clapeyron equation** can write

$$\frac{1}{T} dT = \frac{1}{T} d\left(\frac{p}{R\rho}\right) = \frac{1}{TR} \left( \frac{dp}{\rho} - \frac{p}{\rho^2} d\rho \right) = \frac{dp}{p} - \frac{d\rho}{\rho}$$

Thus

$$dS = \frac{c_v}{p} dp - \frac{\kappa c_v}{\rho} d\rho = \frac{c_v}{p} dp - \frac{c_p}{\rho} d\rho$$

Since the flow is isentropic, we have  $dS = 0$ , hence

$$\frac{dp}{p} = \kappa \frac{d\rho}{\rho} \Rightarrow \left. \frac{dp}{d\rho} \right|_{S=const} = \kappa \frac{p}{\rho} = \kappa RT \geq 0$$

We see that the **flow is barotropic** and the derivative of the pressure as the function of density is always **nonnegative function**. We can introduce the quantity  $a$  defined as

$$a = \sqrt{\kappa RT}$$

Then

$$\left. \frac{dp}{d\rho} \right|_{S=const} = a^2.$$

Note that the **physical unit of  $a$  is [m/s]**, so  $a$  seems to be the velocity of „something”. But what is this “something”? To figure it out, consider the **motion of weak (or small) disturbances** in the motionless gas.

The fields of density, pressure and velocity can be written as the sums of undisturbed (background) values and disturbances denoted by the “primed” symbols.

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \rho' \quad , \quad p = p_0 + p' \quad , \quad u = u_0 + u' = u'$$

Since disturbances are assumed small, the nonlinear (product) terms can be neglected. In effect, we get linearized equations as follows

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho' + \rho_0 \partial_x u' = 0 \\ \rho_0 \partial_t u' + \partial_x p' = 0 \end{cases}$$

The key point is to express the pressure disturbances by means of the density disturbances (it is possible as the flow is barotropic). To this end we write

$$p = p_0 + p' = p(\rho_0 + \rho') \cong \underbrace{p(\rho_0)}_{p_0} + \left. \frac{dp}{d\rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_0} \rho'$$

Thus

$$p' = \left. \frac{dp}{d\rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_0} \rho' = \kappa RT_0 \rho' = a_0^2 \rho'$$

The next step is to differentiate the linearized mass conservation equation with respect to time and the equation of motion with respect to the spatial variable  $x$ . Then we subtract the second equation from the first one. The results reads

$$\partial_{tt} \rho' - a_0^2 \partial_{xx} \rho' = 0$$

Similar procedure (provide details!) leads to the formally identical PDE for the velocity disturbances.

$$\partial_{tt} u' - a_0^2 \partial_{xx} u' = 0$$

We see that the **spatio-temporal dynamics of the density and velocity disturbances (also pressure - show!)** is governed by the **linear wave equation**.

We know from the analysis that the **general solution the wave equation** (for the unbounded domain, i.e. the whole line) can be written in the following form

$$\rho'(t, x) = F_1(x - a_0 t) + F_2(x + a_0 t)$$

The functions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are arbitrary. The **physical interpretation** is straightforward: the solution (in 1D) is the superposition of two (arbitrary shaped) wave forms, moving with the constant velocity  $a_0$  in the positive and negative directions of the  $x$ -axis, respectively.

**In general 3D case**, the linear wave equation takes the form of

$$\partial_{tt}\rho' - a_0^2 \nabla^2 \rho' = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \nabla^2 = \partial_{xx} + \partial_{yy} + \partial_{zz} \quad (\text{scalar Laplace operator})$$

We see that **small disturbances travel through the gas in the form of linear waves** (of small amplitudes). The speed of the wave is equal

$$a_0 = \sqrt{\kappa R T_0}$$

where  $T_0$  is the background temperature. Such small (linear) disturbances are called **acoustic** ones and they represent the **sound waves**. The velocity of this waves is called the **speed of sound**.

## Note:

- in general situation, the speed of sound is different at different points in space (and – possibly – at different time instants),
- the local speed of the gas can be either smaller (subsonic conditions), or equal (sonic or critical conditions) or larger (supersonic conditions) than the local speed of sound.
- The motion of ideal gas **need not to be spatially continuous!** Large disturbances have nonlinear dynamics and they can be developed into strong discontinuities called the **shock waves**. **The flow across the shock wave is not isentropic!**

## ENERGY INTEGRAL. ISENTROPIC RELATIONS

The energy integral can be written as

$$i + \frac{1}{2}v^2 = \text{const}$$

The mass-specific enthalpy can be expressed in several forms

$$i = c_p T = \frac{\kappa}{\kappa-1} RT = \frac{\kappa}{\kappa-1} p / \rho = \frac{1}{\kappa-1} a^2$$

Mach number:  $M = \frac{V}{a}$

**Stagnation parameter:** the parameter's value at such point where  $v = 0$ ; e.g.  $T_0$

**Critical parameter:** the parameter's value at such point where  $v = a$  ( $M = 1$ ); e.g.  $T_*$



$$c_p T + \frac{1}{2} v^2 = c_p T_0$$

Equivalent forms of the energy equation

$$\frac{\kappa p}{(\kappa - 1)\rho} + \frac{1}{2} v^2 = \frac{\kappa p_0}{(\kappa - 1)\rho_0}$$

$$\frac{a^2}{\kappa - 1} + \frac{1}{2} v^2 = \frac{a_0^2}{\kappa - 1} = \frac{\kappa + 1}{2(\kappa - 1)} a_*^2$$

Maximal velocity ( $T \rightarrow 0$ )

$$c_p T + \frac{1}{2} v^2 = c_p T_0 = \frac{1}{2} v_{\max}^2 \Rightarrow v_{\max} = \sqrt{2 c_p T_0}$$

$$1 + \frac{v^2}{2 c_p T} = \frac{T_0}{T} \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{v^2}{\frac{2}{\kappa - 1} a^2} = \frac{T_0}{T} \Rightarrow 1 + \frac{\kappa - 1}{2} M^2 = \frac{T_0}{T}$$

We have  $\frac{T}{T_0}(M) = \left(1 + \frac{\kappa - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{-1}$  (true whenever total energy is conserved!)

If the **flow is also isentropic**, we have  $p / \rho^\kappa = \text{const}$  and  $p = \rho RT$ . Then

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0}(M) = \left(1 + \frac{\kappa - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{\frac{1}{1-\kappa}}$$

$$\frac{p}{p_0}(M) = \left(1 + \frac{\kappa - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{\frac{\kappa}{1-\kappa}}$$

$$\frac{a}{a_0}(M) = \left(1 + \frac{\kappa - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

# Isentropic relations ( $\kappa=1.4$ )

