Equilibrium and Frozen Flows

• Homework solutions should be neat and logically presented, see format requirements (<u>seitzman.gatech.edu/classes/ae6050/homeworkformat.html</u>). Please note the requirement to draw some **implications** from the results of each problem. This could be implications for a practical device, a comparison of the results of different parts of a problem, a physical interpretation for an equation, etc.

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1. Normal Shocks (based on former midterm problem)

The calculated density ratio across a normal shock, with the initial (oncoming) gas consisting of pure O_2 at 280 K, is shown in the figure below as a function of the oncoming gas velocity. The figure contains four curves, labeled A-D. Each curve is based on a different flow assumption: 1) equilibrium flow with the oncoming gas at a pressure of 1.0 atm, 2) cpg, 3) frozen chemistry but all other energy modes in equilibrium, and 4) equilibrium flow with an initial pressure of 0.01 atm.



- a) Determine which assumption is associated with which curve and explain your reasoning.
- b) At an oncoming velocity of 2400 m/s, which of these assumptions will result in the smallest speed of sound in the post-shock gases.
- c) At an oncoming velocity of 9000 m/s, which of these assumptions will result in the largest speed of sound in the post-shock gases?

2. Supersonic Expansion

Consider a (fictitious) diatomic gas of molecular weight 50.0 with a characteristic dissociation temperature of 50.0×10^3 K that is heated to a temperature of 4500. K and a pressure of 148 bar in a reservoir. Assume the gas can be treated as an ideal dissociating gas with a characteristic dissociation density of 1.50×10^5 kg/m³, and with no electronic energy.

- a) Estimate the degree of dissociation after the gas was heated.
- b) Estimate the maximum velocity **and** the corresponding pressure that could be achieved if this hot, ideal dissociating gas was expanded isentropically from the reservoir through a CD nozzle to a temperature of 1750 K?
- c) Estimate the velocity and corresponding temperature that would be achieved if the same hot gas was isentropically expanded to the **same** final pressure as in part b), **but** without a change in the hot gas composition during the expansion **and** assuming any vibrational energy modes were also frozen during the expansion.