Investigation of supersonic and hypersonic laminar shock/boundary-layer interactions

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Outline of Presentation

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Background and Motivation

- SBLI study: the effect on surface heating rates;
- Experiment: high heat fluxes in the re-attachment area, e.g. ramp flow (Smith, 1993);
- 2D CFD modelling: failed to predict the separation length and the peak heat flux, possibly due to transition.



Comparison of Peak Reattachment Heating with Laminar Interference Heating Correlations

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Compression ramp experiments, M = 6.85 (Smith, 1993)

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Schematic of flow configuration





Numerical methods

- Compressible, unsteady 3-D Navier-Stokes code;
- Grid transformation for complex geometries;
- 3-stage explicit Runge-Kutta for time advancement;
- 4th-order central finite difference scheme;
- Entropy splitting for Euler terms and Laplacian form for viscous terms;
- Stable high-order boundary treatment;
- TVD/ACM for shock capturing. For details, see Sandham et al., JCP 178, 307-22, 2002



Range of Test Cases

Case	Symbols	Mach number, M_{∞}	Reynolds number, $R_{e_{x_o}}$	Overall p. ratio (p_3/p_1)
1	Δ	7.87	1.48×10^{6}	5.41
2	∇	7.73	$0.46 imes 10^6$	1.56; 3.08; 5.56
3	⊳	6.85	$0.78 imes 10^6$	11.00
4	٩	6.85	$0.25 imes 10^6$	2.68; 4.56; 7.33; 11.08
5	\$	4.50	$0.30 imes 10^6$	1.74; 2.91; 4.43
6	o	2.00	$0.30 imes 10^6$	1.25; 1.40; 1.63; 1.86

Reynolds numbers are based on the length from the leading edge to the shock impingement point in the absence of boundary-layer, x₀



Simulation of case 6: Supersonic M = 2.0 inflow

- Previous studies: experiments by Hakinnen et al. (1959); computations by Katzer (1989), Wasistho (1998)
- $p_3/p_1 = 1.25, 1.40, 1.65, 1.86;$
- Baseline grid: 151x128;
- Boundary Conditions:
 - Inflow: prescribed velocity and temperature b.l. profiles
 - Wall: non-slip, adiabatic;



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Simulation of case 2: Hypersonic M = 7.73 inflow

- Based on experimental studies of Kaufman and Johnson, NASA TN D-7835 (1974)
- $p_3/p_1 = 1.56, 3.08, 5.56;$
- Computational domain conforms to experiments
- Baseline grid: 128x192;
- Boundary Conditions:
 - Inflow: normalised quantities based on freestream
 - Wall: non-slip, isothermal;



Case 2, M = 7.73, $\beta = 11.08^{\circ}$, $p_3/p_1 = 5.56$

Schlieren: density gradients



Simulation: density gradients









Case 2, M = 7.73, $p_3/p_1 = 5.56$

Wall pressure and heating distributions



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Correlations: Influence of the Mach number and Shock Strength



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Correlations: Separation bubble length



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Correlations: Peak heating







Conclusions and Future Work

- At M = 2.0 experiment and simulations agree fairly well;
- At M = 7.73 agreement between experiment and simulations is relatively poor;
- 2-D and 3-D laminar SBLI simulations have so far failed to resolve the discrepancies with experimental data;
- It is possible that the interactions undergo transition;
- 3-D unsteady simulations to investigate boundary-layer instability are underway and will be reported later.