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SYMBOLS

c Specific heat of stainless steel - BTU/lb °R.

Cp Specific heat at constant pressure - BTU/lb °R.

D Cylinder diameter - ft.

Dn Nose drag - lbs.

h Heat transfer coefficient - BTU/ft² sec °R.

H Total enthalpy - BTU/lb

k Thermal conductivity - BTU/ft sec °R.

M Mach number

P Pressure - lb/ft²

P₁ Free stream static pressure at an orifice location if no model were present

Pr Prandtl number

R Cylinder radius - ft

ReD Free stream Reynolds number based on body diameter

R Universal gas constant - ft²/sec² °R.

T Time - sec

T Temperature - °R.

u Velocity in axial direction - ft/sec

w Velocity in crossflow direction - ft/sec

x Axial distance along cylinder from shoulder of nose - ft

y Normal distance from body - ft

z Distance from stagnation line in crossflow direction - ft

α Angle of attack

β \[ \frac{D}{w_1 dz} \]

μ Viscosity coefficient - slug/ft sec

ρ Density - lb/ft³

Λ Yaw angle

ϕ Azimuth on cylinder starting from stagnation line

γ Ratio of specific heats

ε γ⁻¹/γ+1
Subscripts:

c  Cone
b  Edge of effective body
e  Edge of boundary layer
en  Edge of entropy layer
IN  Inside surface of thin skin model
N  Conditions normal to axis of cylinder
OUT  Outside surface of thin skin model
r  Recovery
s  Conditions at shock
se  External flow at stagnation line of cylinder
SL  Stagnation line
W  Conditions at wall
I  Free stream
A  Conditions pertaining to yawed cylinder
A=O  Conditions pertaining to unyawed cylinder
INTRODUCTION

As part of a basic study of hypersonic wings, an experimental program has been initiated to determine the heat transfer and pressure distribution over the leading edge of a swept wing at sweepback angles from zero to 90°. Some preliminary results of this study at sweep angles up to 75° are contained in Ref. 1. To simulate a wing leading edge at even higher sweepback angles (greater than 75°), a circular cylinder at angle of attack was used. The advantages of model simplicity and opportunity to examine axisymmetric body at angle of attack at the same time led to this particular configuration. Results of this study at zero angle of attack are contained in Ref. 2.

For an axisymmetric body at zero angle of attack, it is known that the inviscid flow over the after body is completely determined by the entropy layer which is solely a function of the nose shape. Ladyzhenskii (Ref. 3) has shown that (for fixed nose shape) as long as the after body is immersed in the entropy layer, the pressure distribution will remain similar regardless of changes in the after body shape or angle of attack. When the body breaks through the edge of the entropy layer (which has been calculated in Ref. 2), by increasing its angle of attack, a qualitative change in the pressure distribution must be expected. Following this reasoning, a change must also be expected in the shock wave shapes and in the heat transfer distributions.

The configuration studied consisted of an instrumented circular cylinder with various noses attached. To examine the effect of a wide variation of nose drag coefficient, a 20° semi-angle cone, a hemisphere, and a flat face were used. The model was tested at a Mach number of 11 and a free stream Reynolds number based on the cylinder's diameter of 130,000.

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The test program was conducted in the three inch diameter Princeton University helium hypersonic wind tunnel (Ref. 8). The nozzle was contoured giving a uniform test section Mach number equal to 11. The free stream Reynolds number was about 0.5x10^6 per inch. Helium at room temperature was used as a test fluid.

The pressure model was 1 inch in diameter, about 6 inches long, and constructed of brass (Fig. 1). The location of the pressure taps is shown in Fig. 2. To the basic model (the 6 inch long cylinder) various tips were attached. The tips used included a 20° half angle cone, a hemisphere, and a flat faced end. The tips were constructed of lucite to limit heat conduction on the heat transfer and recovery models. The model was mounted from the side of the tunnel.

The heat transfer model was of the thin skin type with the same physical dimensions as the pressure model. The thermocouples were located at the same stations as the pressure orifices. The thermocouples were copper-constantan wires of 0.010 inches diameter. Holes 0.006 inches in diameter were drilled in the skin 0.016 inches apart. The wires were etched to approximately 0.005 inches in diameter and inserted in the holes. They were then spot welded in place from the outside.

To obtain recovery temperatures a lucite model was constructed to have the same physical dimensions as the heat transfer model. A slotted groove 0.002 inches deep was made on the surface through which the thermocouple wires, etched to 0.003 inches in diameter, were brought. The groove was filled with silver circuit paint and the wires cut.
level with the surface. Ten of these junctions were spaced evenly along the cylinder.

The pressures over the model were recorded on manometers using silicone oil with a 20 micron reference pressure. Copper tubing was used throughout to prevent outgasing.

The heat transfer was measured using the transient technique. The temperature time history of the model was recorded on Leeds and Northrup Speedomax recording potentiometers having a full scale response of less than 1 second. The tunnel was equipped with a quick start mechanism that established the flow in about one millisecond. During the run the model was cooled from an initial room temperature to recovery temperature during which period the stagnation temperature varied less than one degree.

To obtain recovery temperatures, the lucite model was used. The tunnel was run until no temperature variation could be detected (until equilibrium was established), then the temperature was recorded.

A dummy model was built for the express purpose of determining the shock wave shape along the windward side by means of schlieren photographs.

To examine the general character of the flow on the leeward side of the model, several exploratory oil trace studies were made. These studies were carried out by injecting a very low viscosity oil through three of the pressure orifices on the model during the test and photographically and visually recording the resulting flow streaks.

THEORETICAL CONSIDERATIONS

The theories available for predicting the pressure distribution over a circular cylinder at angle of attack are limited. Considering the
crossflow pressure distribution, a combination of "modified Newtonian" and Prandtl-Meyer expansion has some theoretical justification and seems to fit experimental results over circular cylinders normal to the flow at lower Mach numbers.

For high angles of attack, the pressure on the windward side or "stagnation line" can be calculated using the normal Mach number approximation which applies to a supersonic leading edge. This body is considered two-dimensional using the normal Mach number and neglecting the parallel flow component. This, of course, assumes a stagnation point. In reality, the neglected parallel flow component (along the body axis) is hypersonic and there is no "stagnation line" for the cylinder at angle of attack. The term, stagnation line, will be used herein to identify this region on the windward side to the model.

To obtain the heat transfer in the crossflow direction, Reshotko (Ref. 4) further simplified the analysis of Cohen and Reshotko (Ref. 5) for prediction of the heat transfer over a two-dimensional body providing the pressure distribution is known. The approximations include a linear viscosity temperature law, perfect gas, constant specific heats, isothermal body and Prandtl number equals a constant. Their analysis is based on Thwaites’ concept of unique interdependence between the wall shear, heat transfer, and free stream velocity. To obtain the heat transfer an integral must be evaluated using the experimentally obtained pressure distribution. This was accomplished with the aid of an electronic computer.

Beckwith (Ref. 6) assumed a perfect gas, constant specific heats, similar velocity and temperature profiles through the boundary layer, constant Prandtl number and a constant wall temperature to solve for the
heat transfer along the stagnation line of a yawed cylinder. Beckwith then compared the solutions for the heat transfer coefficient for all yaw angles and obtained the following correlation:

\[
h = C_p w \sqrt{\frac{\eta w}{d}} \frac{0.5}{Pr} \left( \frac{\rho_s \mu_{ss}}{\rho_w \mu_w} \right)^{0.44}
\]

Following the same procedure as Liu (Ref. 7) and assuming that the viscosity is proportional to the 0.647 power of the temperature, the following is obtained:

\[
\frac{h_{\Lambda}}{h_{\Lambda=0}} = \left[ 1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M_1^2 \right]^{0.155} \left[ \frac{\rho_{w_{\Lambda}}}{\rho_{w_{\Lambda=0}}} \right]^{0.5} \cos \Lambda \frac{B_{M_{\Lambda}}}{B_{M_1}}
\]

and by approximating the pressure term by the isentropic pressure relation through a normal shock using the normal Mach number and letting \( M_1 \to \infty \), the above equation reduces to:

\[
\frac{h_{\Lambda}}{h_{\Lambda=0}} = \cos \Lambda^{1.19}
\]

Liu (Ref. 7) has included some spanwise effects by treating the case of a highly yawed finite cylinder as opposed to the infinite cylinder in the above theory. The solution gives the heat transfer coefficient along the stagnation line as a function of the distance from the origin of the cylinder.
The assumptions include:

1. The shock wave is parallel to the cylinder
2. A Falkner-Skan velocity distribution in the crossflow direction
3. \( \mu_s = \text{constant} \)
4. \( Pr = \text{constant} \)
5. \( Tw = \text{constant} \)

The three-dimensional boundary layer equations are first transformed by the Dorodnitsyn transformation and then the velocity and enthalpy functions are perturbed from the 90° yaw or zero angle of attack conditions.

The zero order equations were found to reduce to the Blasius equation for which a solution is known. For the first order equations the further assumption that \( u_e^2/2H_e = 1 \) is needed to solve the case for Prandtl number not equal to one. It was shown that the solution for different Prandtl numbers varied less than a few percent in the case of a cold wall so that for the present case of a hot wall, the Prandtl number was taken to be equal to one. A similarity transformation was then applied and the equations which resulted were easily solved. It should be noted that the perturbation technique required that

\[
\frac{x}{R^2} \cot \Lambda \ll 1
\]

for the method to be correct. The solution can be expressed in the form:

\[
h_A = k_w \left( \frac{u_e P_w}{\mu_w T W RD} \right)^{0.5} \left[ 0.332 \sqrt{\frac{D}{x}} + 0.166 \beta \cot \Lambda \sqrt{\frac{x}{D}} \right].
\]
DATA REDUCTION

To determine the heat transfer coefficient the following equation was used:

\[
\frac{\rho c}{T_w-T_r} \frac{R_{out}^2-R_{in}^2}{2 R_{out}} \frac{dT}{dt}
\]

This equation represents the solution of the heat equation in polar coordinates and neglects radiation and conduction. This reduces the effective skin thickness by 5½% because of the small scale of the model. From the temperature-time history, the slope at time equal to zero (when the model is isothermal) can be found and from this the heat transfer coefficient can be calculated.

The initial slope was calculated by fitting the curve to an exponential curve and extrapolating back to zero time. A maximum of 2 seconds of data was used to minimize the conduction errors. Considering all possible errors such as data reduction errors, physical properties of the stainless steel, recovery temperatures, and conduction along the model and down the thermocouple wires, the maximum error involved in the results was plus 5% or minus 10%. To reduce the errors in the actual data reduction (determining the initial temperature-time slope) several tests at each point were conducted and each test calculated twice independently. An average of these data, whose scatter was ± 4%, is presented in the results. For a more complete coverage of the data reduction technique, refer to Ref. 1.

DISCUSSION AND RESULTS

A summary of the shock wave shapes on the windward side of the model for the higher angles of attack is presented in Fig. 3. At \( \alpha = 90^\circ \) (Fig. 3a), the shock waves approach a constant standoff distance downstream.
of the nose. Similar results were obtained for the lower angles of attack.
For \( \alpha = 12^\circ \) and \( 15^\circ \) (Fig. 3b and 3c), the standoff distance first increases reaching a maximum then decreases to a minimum and in some cases gradually increasing as \( x/R \) increases. This behavior seems to be a function of the nose drag and angle of attack which was also noticed in Ref. 1. An explanation for this behavior will be offered later.

The pressure distributions over the body are presented on Figure 4. Measurements were obtained at \( x/R \) from zero to 24, angles of attack from zero to \( 15^\circ \), and azimuth angles of zero, \( 45^\circ \), \( 90^\circ \), \( 135^\circ \) and \( 180^\circ \). On the windward side \( (\phi = 0^\circ) \), the pressure distributions are similar to the zero angle of attack case up to \( \alpha = 12^\circ \). Then the data show the same minimum observed by the shock wave shapes. At \( \phi = 45^\circ \) no major changes are observed from the windward side results. For the higher azimuth angles, the changes in pressure from the zero angle of attack case are small compared to windward side except for the flat face at \( \phi = 135^\circ \) and \( 180^\circ \). The pressure distributions for these two exceptions seem to indicate separated flow or the formation of vortices on the leeward side. At these higher azimuth angles, data at \( \alpha = 12^\circ \) and \( 15^\circ \) again show a minimum pressure located in approximately the same place as for the lower azimuth angles.

The pressure distributions for three nose shapes are compared with each other at \( \phi = 0^\circ \) and all angles of attack on Fig. 5. At angles of attack greater than \( 6^\circ \), the distinction between the various nose shapes has practically disappeared. This was also noticed at azimuth angles of \( 45^\circ \) and \( 90^\circ \) but to a lesser extent. At the higher azimuth angles, the values of the pressure obtained were noticed to be distinct functions of
nose shape. On Figs. 5d, 5e and 5f, the theoretical inviscid cone pressure \( \frac{p_c}{p_l} \) is indicated. The pressure calculated by passing through a normal shock (assumed to be parallel to the body axis) based on the normal Mach number, based on wind tunnel surveys, is indicated by a solid line. The dotted lines represent the pressure based on the local Mach number, normal to the experimentally determined shock wave as opposed to the body axis, passing through a normal shock. It is seen that using the shock wave shape to calculate the normal Mach number gives a better indication of the general trend of the data but its absolute value is incorrect. An explanation for this will be offered later. On Fig. 5f the two-dimensional data from Ref. 1 is plotted, and is in general agreement with the present results.

The pressure distribution in the crossflow direction is plotted at \( x/R = 25 \) for angles of attack of 6°, 9°, 12° and 15° on Fig. 6. The solid line on each figure represents the combination of modified Newtonian theory \( \frac{p}{p_{sL}} = \cos^2 \phi \) and a Prandtl-Meyer expansion. The two theories are joined where their slopes are equal. The data are in poor agreement with this "theory" for low normal Mach numbers but, as the normal Mach number becomes greater, the agreement improves. This shows that the Mach number component parallel to the body axis is important at these low angles of attack. On Fig. 6b and 6d, the data of Beckwith and Gallagher (Ref. 9) and Penland (Ref. 10) are plotted matching the normal Mach numbers as closely as possible. Beckwith and Gallagher's data were obtained in air at \( Re_D = 1.8 \times 10^5 \) on an infinite cylinder at sweepback angles of zero and 90° for Fig. 6b and 40° and 45° for Fig. 6d. Penland's data were obtained in air at \( Re_D = 129,000 \) at a sweepback angle of 75° and
x/R = 26 for Fig. 6b and at a sweepback angle of 60° and x/R = 22 for Fig. 6d. These results are also in poor agreement with the present data due to the huge difference in parallel Mach number components. Data from Ref. 1 are presented on Fig. 6d and are in good agreement with the present data. The present results for x/R = 5 and 15 were found to be similar to the data presented.

A summary of the heat transfer distribution over the body is presented on Fig. 7. The data follow the same general trend as the pressure distribution with the exception of additional slight decrease in the heat transfer observed far away from the nose at α = 15° and φ = 0°. Nevertheless, on the windward side the data show the same maximums and minimums as were observed on the shock wave shapes and pressure distributions. The data presented are the average of two or more independent tests whose scatter were less than ± 4%.

The three nose shapes are compared with each other at φ = 0° over the angle of attack range on Fig. 8. At angles of attack greater than 60°, the various nose shapes have no major effects on the data over the body as was also noticed for the pressure distribution. This was also noticed but to a lesser extent for the other azimuth angles. For angles of attack of 5°, 6°, 9°, 12° and 15°, the data are compared with the theories of Liu and Beckwith. Beckwith's theory is for M₁ = 1 and if the actual pressure distribution were used or the pressure calculated by the normal Mach number hypothesis the theoretical results would even be higher. The value used for \( h_{A=0} \) was 0.137 BTU/ft² sec OR, calculated from Ref. 11.
The modified version of Liu's theory was obtained by evaluating the properties at the edge of the boundary layer. This was done by using the measured pressure distribution and assuming isentropic flow over the body from the stagnation point. Since the differences for the three nose shapes were less than 2%, only one curve is presented. Within the limits of the theory (small \( x/R \)) the modified version of Liu's theory is in fair agreement with the present data. For the quantity \( \frac{x}{R} \cot \alpha \) to be less than 0.5, the theory should be cut off at \( x/R \) of 20, 10, 7, 5, and 4 for \( \alpha = 30^\circ, 60^\circ, 90^\circ, 120^\circ \) and \( 150^\circ \), respectively. On Fig. 8f, the two-dimensional data corrected for Reynolds number at the stagnation line of the body are presented and are in good agreement with the present data.

The heat transfer distribution is plotted at \( x/R = 25 \) and compared with theory in the crossflow direction for angles of attack from \( 60^\circ \) to \( 150^\circ \) on Fig. 9. The solid line represents the theory of Ref. 4 calculated using the measured pressure distributions and is in good agreement with the data. The variation of the theory between the different nose shapes or by evaluating the quantities at the edge of the boundary layer was less than 2%. Data from Ref. 1 are presented on Fig. 9d and are in fair agreement with the present data. The present results for \( x/R = 5 \) and \( 15 \) were found to be similar to the data presented.

The cause of the unique shapes of the shock wave shape, pressure distribution and heat transfer distribution at high angles of attack on the windward side of the body can be answered by considering the entropy layer. As was mentioned in the Introduction, the entropy layer which forms over a body is only a function of the nose shape and, in hypersonic
flow, completely determines the flow properties over the after body. As the angle of attack increases, the after body will eventually break through this layer and the flow properties on the body will now be determined by the local external flow. The edge of the entropy layer (defined by the edge of the low density region where the relation $eD_{\text{H}} = \pi p_b \left( y_{\text{en}}^2 - y_b^2 \right)$ holds) has been solved (Ref. 2) and is presented on Fig. 10 for the cone, hemisphere and flat face. The dashed lines on these curves represent the edge of the body as it is rotated about the nose through the angles of attack. The break through points are clearly defined for the hemisphere and flat face while for the cone at $\alpha = 12^\circ$ and $15^\circ$ they are not. It must be remembered here that the theory which defined this entropy layer is not expected to hold for low nose drag coefficients such as the cone since a primary assumption is that a strong bow shock exists.

The various shapes of the shock wave, pressure distribution and heat transfer distribution are compared at $\alpha = 12^\circ$ and $15^\circ$ on Fig. 11. The first decrease in the pressure and heat transfer curves is similar to the zero angle of attack case which is definitely in the entropy layer. The minimum point and increase of these curves can be considered the break through point and finally the curves level off or reach a maximum where two-dimensional effects become important. The shock wave shape undergoes the transition further downstream since the body is first affected by the break through which must in turn propagate downstream to the shock wave. It can be observed that as the nose bluntness increases or the angle of attack decreases, the minimum points of the curves definitely move downstream which is exactly what the entropy layer considerations predict. Finally, if one considers the inflection point of the heat transfer and pressure curves between the minimum and maximum points as the break through points, the present explanation predicts these points with excellent accuracy for the hemisphere and flat face nose shapes.
To further examine the leeward side of the model with respect to
the possibility of boundary layer separation, some oil trace studies
were undertaken. A small amount of very thin oil was injected through
a pressure orifice and the resulting streak was observed. This technique
gives the flow direction at the surface of the model but, of course, does
not define the stream direction. For both $\phi = 90^\circ$ and $135^\circ$, the flow
direction was observed to be slightly in the direction of $\phi = 180^\circ$ and
substantially in the downstream direction with the exception of a very small
region behind the shoulder of the flat face nose. Since no characteristic
"dividing streamline" or back flow in the parallel direction was observed,
it is assumed that the boundary layer remained attached over most of the
model. This can also be established by the fact that no drastic reduction
in heat transfer occurred over the body (see Figs. 9a-9d) which is character-
istic of laminar boundary layer separation. At $\phi = 180^\circ$, the flow was
observed to be slightly in the radial direction. This presents the possi-
bility of a slight separation in the radial direction as is observed on a
delta wing at angle of attack but the effect of this separation is too small
to be examined on the present scale; note the heat transfer and pressure
distribution results.

CONCLUSIONS

1. On the windward side, the normal Mach number hypothesis agrees with
the pressure distribution for high angles of attack and large $x/R$.

2. Theories for predicting the crossflow pressure distribution
are poor due to the large parallel Mach number.

3. The various nose shapes have little effect on the pressure and
heat transfer distributions on the windward side at angles of
attack greater than $3^\circ$. 

4. Liu's theory for predicting the heat transfer on the windward side is in good agreement with the experimental results when the quantities are evaluated at the edge of the boundary layer.

5. If the crossflow pressure distribution is known, Cohen and Reshotko's theory is an excellent means for calculating the heat transfer coefficient.

6. The variation of the shock wave shapes, pressure and heat transfer distributions can be predicted by entropy layer considerations.

7. Both the pressure distribution and heat transfer data from Ref. 1 are in good agreement with the present results.

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- $\alpha = 15$, $\phi = 0$
- $\triangle$ CONE
- $\bigcirc$ HEMISPHERE
- $\square$ FLAT FACE
- $\triangle$ PRESSURE BASED ON NORMAL MACH NUMBER
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- $\alpha = 9^\circ, M_N = 1.77, \frac{x}{R} = 25$
- Cone
- Hemisphere
- Flat Face
- Modified Newtonian Plus Prandtl-Meyer
- Reference 9 $M_N = 2$
- Reference 10 $M_N = 1.77$
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$\alpha = 12^\circ$ \quad $M_N = 2.35$ \quad $\frac{x}{R} = 25$

- $\triangle$ CONE
- $\bigcirc$ HEMISPHERE
- $\square$ FLAT FACE

MODIFIED NEWTONIAN PLUS
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$\alpha = 15^\circ$, $M_N = 2.93$, $\frac{x}{R} = 25$

- Cone
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$\alpha = 6^\circ$, $M_N = 1.173$, $x/R = 25$

- $\Delta$ CONE
- $\bigcirc$ HEMISPHERE
- $\square$ FLAT FACE

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$\alpha = 12^\circ$, $M_N = 2.35$, $x/R = 25$

- CONE
- HEMISPHERE
- FLAT FACE
- COHEN & RESHOTKO
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$\alpha = 15^\circ \quad M_N = 2.93 \quad x/R = 25$

- $\triangle$ CONE
- $\circ$ HEMISPHERE
- $\square$ FLAT FACE
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