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1. **Introduction**

In the past, transonic flows have been calculated with the Euler equations and with time-dependent finite-difference methods. For example, Magnus and Yoshihara\(^1\) used the Lax-Wendroff finite-difference schemes with additional artificial viscosity. In their work, the shocks were smeared, and small grid sizes were needed to capture them. Grossman and Moretti\(^2\), on the other hand, fitted the shock following a method developed by Kentzer\(^3\), which uses the compatibility relations along the characteristics.

For many cases of interest, a potential flow model is adequate. Murman and Cole\(^4\) introduced a type-dependent finite-difference scheme and solved the transonic small-disturbance equation by relaxation methods. Jameson\(^5\), using "rotated difference schemes," extended their work to the full potential equation. In their calculations, shock jump conditions are not satisfied. For example, mass is not conserved across the shock, and the strength and position of the shock are usually not calculated correctly. Later, Murman\(^6\) introduced a "fully conservative scheme" to handle this problem for small-disturbance calculations, and Jameson\(^7\) introduced a fully conservative scheme for the full potential equation. In these later calculations, mass is conserved globally, supersonic to subsonic shocks are located within a few grid points, and supersonic to supersonic shocks are usually smeared over more grid points. Sharper shocks can be obtained only by grid refinement.

Hafez and Cheng\(^8\) considered shock fitting for transonic small-disturbance calculations by using type-dependent finite-difference relaxation methods. In their work, shock-jump conditions are explicitly imposed, and mass is locally conserved across a surface of discontinuity. Much coarser grids may then be used for the calculations. The algorithm applies for supersonic to subsonic shocks as well as for supersonic to supersonic shocks. Using characteristic compatibility relations, Yu and Seebass\(^9\) studied the same problem. For embedded shocks, they used a method similar to that of Hafez and Cheng.

Extension of the method of Hafez and Cheng to the full potential calculation is straightforward in principle; however, in practice, the more complicated coordinate systems used for the full potential calculations lead to cumbersome interpolation formulae.
In this paper we consider an alternative procedure for fitting shock waves in full potential calculations. (The application of the method to small disturbances is discussed in the Appendix.) The method is based on an equation for the unsteady shock jump, which is derived from the time-dependent equation describing the relaxation algorithm. In the steady-state limit, shock speed vanishes, and the steady shock polar is retained. In this way, the jump conditions are imposed iteratively and in a manner consistent with the relaxation procedure that is used everywhere else in the flow field. The method should be applicable to rotated difference schemes and to conservative and nonconservative differences.

The only previous work reported in literature on shock-fitting methods for full potential calculations is the work of Jones and South, in which detached bow shock waves were considered. Jones and South first used a mapping from physical space to a rectangular computational grid; then, they used Newton's method to determine the shock shape. The method considered in this paper appears to be simpler and is not restricted to bow shocks.

In the following we first discuss unsteady transonic flow equations and their weak solutions. Then, the time-dependent equations describing the iterative methods are then developed. A shock-fitting algorithm is described, a solution procedure is proposed, and some preliminary numerical results are given. Finally, in the Appendix we compare the application of the shock-fitting algorithm to small-disturbance calculations with the method of Hafez and Cheng for one- and two-dimensional numerical examples.
2. **Unsteady Full Potential Equations**

For simplicity, we consider here the Cartesian coordinates $x$, $y$, and $t$. The velocity potential $\phi$ is governed by

$$
\phi_{tt} + 2u\phi_{xt} + 2v\phi_{yt} = \left( a^2 - u^2 \right) \phi_{xx} - 2uv\phi_{xy} + \left( a^2 - v^2 \right) \phi_{yy},
$$

where

$$
a^2 = \frac{1}{M_\infty^2} - \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \left[ 2\phi_t + u^2 + v^2 - 1 \right],
$$

$$
u = \phi_x + \cos \alpha,
$$

$$
v = \phi_y + \sin \alpha,
$$

and $\alpha$ is the angle of attack of the oncoming flow with Mach number $M_\infty$.

Equation (1) is not in conservative form. Multiplying by $\rho/a^2$, we obtain the conservative form

$$
-\rho_t = (\rho u)_x + (\rho v)_y,
$$

where

$$
\rho = \left[ 1 - \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_\infty^2 \left( 2\phi_t + u^2 + v^2 - 1 \right) \right]^{1/(\gamma - 1)}.
$$

For smooth flows, equations (1) and (2) are equivalent. Equation (2), however, admits a weak solution with mass conservation across a discontinuity surface.

2.1 **Jump Conditions**

The jump condition admitted by the weak solution is given by

$$
- S_t \begin{bmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho u \\ S_x \\ \rho v \end{bmatrix} S_y,
$$

where $\begin{bmatrix} \rho \end{bmatrix}$ denotes the jump in $\rho$ across the surface

$$
S(x,y,t) = 0.
$$

In addition, from irrationality conditions we have
\[ \phi_{tx} = \phi_{xt} \]  

and

\[ \phi_{ty} = \phi_{yt} \]

Thus,

\[ S_t \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_x \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_t \\ \phi_t \end{array} \right] S_x \]

\[ S_t \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_x \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_t \\ \phi_t \end{array} \right] S_y \]

or

\[ S_t : S_x : S_y = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_t \\ \phi_x \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] : \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_t \\ \phi_x \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] : \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_y \end{array} \right] \]

which implies

\[ \frac{d}{dt} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \phi \\ \phi \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_t \\ \phi_t \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] + \frac{dx}{dt} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_x \\ \phi_x \\ \phi_y \end{array} \right] + \frac{dy}{dt} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi_y \end{array} \right] = 0 \]

or

\[ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \phi \\ \phi \end{array} \right] = 0 \]  

For steady states, equations (3) and (5) reduce to

\[ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho u \\ \rho v \end{array} \right] - \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial y} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho v \end{array} \right] = 0 \]

or

\[ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho \rho_n \\ \rho q_n \end{array} \right] = 0 \]  

\[ \left[ \begin{array}{c} u \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + v \end{array} \right] = 0 \]

or

\[ \left[ \begin{array}{c} q_s \end{array} \right] = 0 \]

where \( q_n \) is the relative normal velocity to the shock \( X - X^D(y,t) = 0 \), and \( q_s \) is the tangential velocity.

For transonic flows, equation (6) is a good approximation of Rankine Hugoniot relations*, the difference being due to the irrationality assumption.

The exact Prandtl relation (taking into consideration entropy variations) may be used instead of eq. (6) in the manner suggested by Jones and South; namely,

\[ (q_n)_d (q_n)_u = a^* - \frac{1}{\gamma + 1} q_s^2 \]

where \( d \) and \( u \) refer to downstream and upstream conditions, and \( a^* \) is the sonic speed of sound.
2.2 Characteristics and Compatibility Relations

We note that equation (1) or (2) is always hyperbolic. (t is the time-like direction for both subsonic and supersonic flows.)

Equation (1) can be written in the following form:

\[ \phi_{tt} + 2q\phi_{st} = (a^2 - q^2)\phi_{ss} + a^2\phi_{nn}, \]  

(8)

where

\[ \phi_{ss} = \frac{1}{q^2} (u^2\phi_{xx} + 2uv\phi_{xy} + v^2\phi_{yy}), \]

\[ \phi_{nn} = \frac{1}{q^2} (v^2\phi_{xx} - 2uv\phi_{xy} + u^2\phi_{yy}), \]

\[ \phi_{st} = \frac{u}{q} \phi_{xt} + \frac{v}{q} \phi_{yt}, \]

and q is the total velocity. Using the transformation S = s - qt, N = n, T = t, equation (8) reduces to: (freezing q, the coefficient of the \( \phi_{st} \) term)

\[ \phi_{TT} = a^2(\phi_{SS} + \phi_{NN}) \]

(9)

or, with the transformation X = x - ut, Y = y - vt, T = t, equation (1) reduces to

\[ \phi_{TT} = a^2(\phi_{XX} + \phi_{YY}). \]

(10)

Equations (1) and (4) can be written as a system of first-order equations; namely

\[
\begin{pmatrix}
w \\
u \\
v_t
\end{pmatrix} =
\begin{pmatrix}
-2u & a^2-u^2 & -uv \\
1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
w \\
u \\
v_x
\end{pmatrix} +
\begin{pmatrix}
-2v & -uv & a^2-v^2 \\
0 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
w \\
u \\
v_y
\end{pmatrix}
\]


where

\[ w = \phi_t, \quad a^2 = \frac{1}{M_\infty^2} \left( \frac{Y-1}{2} \right) (2w + u^2 + v^2 - 1). \]  \hspace{1cm} (11)

For time-dependent problems, the characteristics and the compatibility relations are readily obtained from this system. For steady problems, they are given by

\[ \left( \frac{dv}{du} \right)_{ch} = -\frac{A}{C} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_{ch} = -\frac{B + \sqrt{B^2 - 4AC}}{C}, \] \hspace{1cm} (12)

where

\begin{align*}
A &= a^2 - u^2 \\
B &= -uv \\
C &= a^2 - v^2.
\end{align*}
3. Shock-Fitting Method

3.1 Iterative Solution for Steady Equation

It is well known that iterative line relaxation methods can be described by a time-dependent equation. For example, Jameson\(^7\) showed that the convergence of the iterative solution of the full potential equation can be analyzed by

\[
\alpha \phi_{xt} + \beta \phi_{yt} + \gamma \phi_{yyt} + \delta \phi_t = R_{NC}(\phi) ,
\]

where

\[
R_{NC}(\phi) = (a^2 - u^2)\phi_{xx} - 2uv\phi_{xy} + (a^2 - v^2)\phi_{yy} .
\]

Multiplying equation (9) by \(\rho/a^2\), we have

\[
\overline{\alpha} \phi_{xt} - \overline{\beta} \phi_{yt} + \overline{\gamma} \phi_{yyt} + \overline{\delta} \phi_t = R_{Fc}(\phi) ,
\]

where

\[
R_{Fc}(\phi) = (\rho u)_x + (\rho v)_y .
\]

Since we are interested only in the steady-state solution, the coefficients \(\overline{\alpha}\), \(\overline{\beta}\), \(\overline{\gamma}\) and \(\overline{\delta}\) may be selected to accelerate the convergence.

The jump conditions admitted by the weak solution of equation (10) (freezing the coefficients in the left-hand side) are given by

\[
S_t \left[ \begin{array}{c} \overline{\alpha} \phi_x + \overline{\beta} \phi_y + \overline{\gamma} \phi_{yy} \\ \phi \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho u \\ \rho v \end{array} \right] S_x + \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho v \\ \rho u \end{array} \right] S_y .
\]

Let the shock surface \(S(x,y,t)\) be described by the explicit relation

\[
S = x - x^D(y; t) = 0 .
\]

Hence,

\[
\frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \bar{\rho} \\ \rho \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho u \\ \rho v \end{array} \right] - \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \rho v \\ \rho u \end{array} \right] ,
\]

where

\[
\bar{\rho} = -(\overline{\alpha} \phi_x + \overline{\beta} \phi_y + \overline{\gamma} \phi_{yy}) .
\]

Equation (16) may be written in the form

\[
A \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} + B \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} = C ,
\]

(17)
where
\[
A = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho} \end{bmatrix}, \\
B = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho} \bar{v} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and} \\
C = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\rho} \bar{u} \end{bmatrix}.
\]

3.2 Shock-Fitting

Shock-fitting procedures similar to methods used for the unsteady Euler equations may be applied to the iterative calculations once the artificial time-dependent equation (17) describing the development of the solution through iteration is recognized. Since we are only interested in the steady-state solution, however, many simplifications may be made. Two cases are identified here.

3.2.1 Supersonic-Subsonic Shocks

Given an initial condition (an initial guess of the shock location \( X^D(y;0) \) and a boundary condition (for example, \( \partial X^D/\partial y (0,t) = 0 \)), equation (17) determines the new shock location \( X^D(y;t) \) across which \( \phi \) is continuous. Hence, a Dirichlet boundary condition is imposed on the subsonic (elliptic) flow downstream of the shock as shown in Sketch 1.
3.2.2 Supersonic-Supersonic Shocks

In general, the jump conditions and the characteristic compatibility relations admitted by the time-dependent equation uniquely determine the flow just downstream of the shock ($\phi$ and $\phi_n$). Similar to the supersonic-subsonic shocks, equation (17) is used, and $\phi$ on the shock is obtained from upstream extrapolation. However, $\phi_n$ may be obtained by solving the compatibility relations along the downstream characteristics together with the shock jump conditions (Equation 7), simultaneously to provide $u$ and $v$ downstream of the shock. These are needed for the supersonic flow calculations since, in rotated difference schemes, $\phi_{xx}$, $\phi_{xy}$ and $\phi_{yy}$ terms contributing to $\phi_{ss}$ are backward differenced. Hence, the values of $\phi$ at two upstream grid points or equivalently the derivatives $\phi_x$ and $\phi_y$ are needed. We encountered some difficulties in implementing this scheme for supersonic-supersonic shocks in general.

The details of a shock-fitting algorithm are discussed in the next section.

Sketch 2. Supersonic-Supersonic Shocks (Steady).
4. Numerical Implementation of Shock-Fitting Method

A shock-fitting algorithm has the following properties:

1. An initial estimate of the potential is obtained, for example, from a nonconservative solution.
2. The shock waves are detected and used as an initial estimate of shock location.
3. The flow field is computed with a relaxation method, in which the shock is a surface of discontinuity fixed in space and the shock jump conditions are imposed as the boundary conditions.
4. The shock locations are updated, based on the latest information, by using equation (17).
5. Steps 3 and 4 are repeated until convergence is achieved.

Step 1 requires no elaboration here. For step 2, different criteria may be used to detect a shock from smooth calculations. Murman used the maximum slope point of the velocity profile in the shock region. South used the minimum Laplacian ($\nabla^2 \phi$) for full potential calculations. For supersonic-subsonic shocks, the shock points are suitable indicators of shock locations. Interpolation may be used between mesh points to locate the sonic velocity for a more accurate approximation. Jones and South used an analytical form for the shock, with the right behavior in the far field (asymptotic to the Mach line) and near the axis (normal shock). To determine the standoff distance of a detached bow shock, Jones and South used the point with the same Mach number as the one downstream of a normal shock. Here we use a similar procedure, which is discussed in Section 5. For step 4, the new shock location is obtained as a solution of equation (17). A Lax-Wendroff finite-difference scheme may be used to solve this equation. To avoid a stability restriction, we also tested an implicit scheme of the Crank-Nicholson type. A tridiagonal system is solved each time the shock is relocated. The finite-difference formula are
Lax-Wendroff Scheme:

\[
x^{D}_{n+1} = x^{D}_n + \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \right)_n \Delta t + \left( \frac{\partial^2 x^D}{\partial t^2} \right)_n \frac{\Delta t^2}{2},
\]

\[
\left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \right)_n = -\frac{B}{A} \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} \right)_n + \frac{C}{A}
\]

\[
\left( \frac{\partial^2 x^D}{\partial t^2} \right)_n = -\left( \frac{B}{A} \right) x^D_{yt} = -\frac{B}{A} \left[ -\frac{B}{A} \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} \right)_n + \frac{C}{A} \right] y
\]

Here we neglected the variation of A, B and C with time.

Crank-Nicholson Scheme:

\[
x^{D}_{n+1} = x^{D}_n + 0.5 \left[ \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \right)_{n+1} + \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \right)_n \right] \Delta t
\]

Once the shock is relocated, the continuity of \( \phi \) is imposed as a boundary condition. For a detached bow shock, \( \phi \) is set equal to zero, the free-stream value. For embedded shocks, the value of \( \phi \) at the shock is obtained from upstream (supersonic) conditions by extrapolation. In the supersonic-subsonic case, to avoid use of a special unequal mesh formula at the grid point downstream of the shock, a Taylor series expansion is used to obtain a fictitious value of \( \phi \) at the first mesh point upstream of the shock. This procedure is clearly demonstrated for the one-dimensional small-disturbance case in the appendix. It is used only for supersonic-subsonic shocks (i.e., if the flow downstream of the shock is subsonic) since it contradicts the rule of forbidden signals in the case of downstream supersonic flow. For the supersonic-supersonic shocks, two conditions \( \phi \) and \( \phi_n \) are needed to continue the calculation downstream of the shock. The value of \( \phi \) on the shock is obtained from upstream extrapolation; \( \phi_n \) can be obtained from studying equations 7 and 12 simultaneously. We have not succeeded in testing the scheme for supersonic-supersonic shocks.
5. Calculated Examples

We have obtained preliminary results for the flow past a blunt body by using the method of South and Jameson\textsuperscript{12} with the above-described shock-fitting algorithm.* We use the Keller-South\textsuperscript{14} (RAXBOD) program to obtain an initial estimate for $\phi$ everywhere in the flow field. The standoff distance is calculated as discussed earlier, and hyperbola is used as an initial estimate of the shock shape.

The shock is located by using equation (11). Properties ahead of the shock are calculated by extrapolation from upstream conditions; in this case, $\phi \equiv 0$ ahead of the shock. For the supersonic-supersonic part of the shock, we also need the properties behind the shock. Equations (7) and (12) provide $\phi_x$ and $\phi_y$ (hence $\phi_n$) just downstream of the shock. In this example, we assume that $\phi_y$ (i.e., the derivative of $\phi$ along the normal computational coordinate direction) just downstream of the shock is negligible. More accurate treatment for the supersonic-supersonic shocks are needed. Figure 1 shows the results for the pressure coefficient on the body calculated by the RAXBOD program for a sphere of radius one in a flow with $M_\infty = 1.2$. The physical plane is mapped to a rectangular grid ($21 \times 21$ grid points), where

$$
\eta = \frac{AY}{(1 - Y)^{\alpha}}, \alpha = 1.3, \quad A = 1.25.
$$

Here, $\eta$ is the physical coordinate normal to the body, and $Y$ is the computational coordinate, which varies from zero at the body to one at infinity. The tangential coordinate is stretched by a quadratic transformation between the physical arc length and the computational coordinate $X$.

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*The same problem was solved by Jones and South,\textsuperscript{10} who used mapping techniques, and by Hsieh\textsuperscript{13} (hemisphere cylinder), who used the time-dependent Euler equation.
Figure 1. $C_p$ on a Sphere at $M = 1.2$ (RAXBOD Solution).

Figure 2 shows the initial guess of the shock location. The movement of the shock (standoff distance) with iteration is plotted in Figure 3, and the final result is shown in Figure 4.
Figure 3. Movement of Shock During Iteration.

Figure 4. Shock Location After Shock Fitting.
It should be mentioned here that our results for the case of a sphere at \( M = 1.2 \) (based on the full potential calculations) indicate that the bow shock standoff distance differs by 20 percent from a time-dependent solution of Euler Equations given in Reference 13. These discrepancies cannot be traced to the difference between the Euler Equation and the full potential equation since in this range they should agree.

It could be argued that the discrepancies are due to the supersonic/supersonic part of the shock where the shock was not really fitted in our calculation. This is unlikely, however, since the initial guess is selected using Moeckel's approximation. We have not resolved this point and further investigation is needed to resolve the differences.

Calculation of embedded shocks have been tested also. Flows around a sphere were computed with and without shock fitting. In Figure 5, results of the RAXBOD program are plotted. For the same mesh, results from the SAXBOD program are plotted in Figure 6. Notice that the overall pressure distribution does not seem to look different, however, the drag coefficient using Trapezoidal and Simpson's Rule are changed by about 20 percent. The same case has been calculated after a mesh refinement. The results of the RAXBOD program are shown in Figure 7, while the results of the SAXBOD program are shown in Figures 8 and 9.

![Figure 5. \( C_p \) on a Sphere at \( M = 1.2 \) (RAXBOD Solution).](image-url)
Figure 6. $C_p$ on a Sphere at $M = 1.2$ (SAXBOD Solution).

Figure 7. $C_p$ on a Sphere at $M = 1.2$. 

RAXBOD

$C_D$

Trap. 0.43862
Simp. 0.43329
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In the first case, the iterations were stopped when the maximum difference between successive iterates is less than $10^{-4}$ while more iterations were allowed (to $10^{-6}$) for the results shown in Figure 5. The maximum residual (in the difference equation or the shock polar) is less than $10^{-3}$. The difference in the pressure distribution is indistinguishable, but the drag coefficient shows 2 percent changes. Comparing RAXBOD and SAXBOD results, the drag coefficients are increased by mesh refinement when shock fitting is used, and decreased in the case of RAXBOD (nonconservative calculations). It would be interesting to run the same case using a conservative code. The computer listing of SAXBOD for embedded shocks are attached.
6. Conclusions

A shock-fitting algorithm for full potential type-dependent finite-difference relaxation calculations is described, and preliminary results are presented. The method is based on a time-dependent equation describing the line relaxation method. Written in conservative form, its weak solution admits an unsteady jump condition in terms of the shock speed. We use this equation to update the shock during the iterative calculations. Numerical implementations of the method are discussed, and the flow around a sphere is calculated. We have not succeeded in satisfactorily implementing the shock fitting algorithm for the supersonic-supersonic shock and more accurate treatment is needed. We also test this method for small-disturbance calculations.
Appendix

In this section, we consider the application of the proposed algorithm to the small-disturbance equation. The unsteady small-disturbance equations may be written as (β = α = 1):

\[ \frac{2}{\Delta t^2} M^2_\infty \phi_{tt} + 2\alpha \frac{M^2_\infty}{\Delta t} \phi_{xt} = \left[ (1 - M^2_\infty) \phi_x - \frac{1}{2} (\gamma + 1) M^2_\infty \phi_x^2 \right] x + \phi_{yy} \]  
(A.1)

\[ \phi_{xt} = \phi_{tx} \]

\[ \phi_{yt} = \phi_{ty} . \]

Hence, the jump conditions admitted by the weak solution are

\[ \left( \frac{M^2_\infty}{\Delta t} \left[ \phi_t \right] + 2\alpha \frac{M^2_\infty}{\Delta t} \left[ \phi_x \right] \right) S_t = \]

\[ \left[ (1 - M^2_\infty) \phi_x - \frac{1}{2} (\gamma + 1) M^2_\infty \phi_x^2 \right] S_x + \left[ \phi_y \right] S_y \]

\[ S_t \left[ \phi_x \right] = \left[ \phi_t \right] S_x \]

\[ S_t \left[ \phi_x \right] = \left[ \phi_t \right] S_x . \]  
(A.2)

For β = 0 , α = 1 , S(x,y,t) = X - X^D(y,t) = 0 . We have*

\[ 2M^2_\infty \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} = - \left< (1 - M^2_\infty) - (\gamma + 1) M^2_\infty \phi_x \right> + \left( \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} \right)^2 \]

\[ - \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \left[ \phi_x \right] = \left[ \phi_t \right] , \]

\[ - \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial t} \left[ \phi_y \right] = - \left[ \phi_t \right] \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} . \]

*Equation (A.3) may be written in the equivalent (quasisteady) form:

\[ \left[ (1 - M^2_\infty) \phi_x - \frac{(\gamma + 1)}{2} M^2_\infty \phi_x^2 - 2M^2_\infty \phi_x \right] - \frac{\partial x^D}{\partial y} \left[ \phi_y \right] = 0 \]
For the steady state, equation (A.3) reduces to the shock polar
\[
- \left(1 - M_{\infty}^2\right) - (\gamma + 1) M_{\infty}^2 \phi_x = \left(\frac{\partial \phi_x}{\partial y}\right)^2 = \frac{\left[\phi_y\right]^2}{\left[\phi_x\right]^2} \quad \text{(shock)}
\] (A.4)

Equation (A.1) may be written as a system of first-order equations
(w = \phi_t, u = \phi_x, v = \phi_y):
\[
\begin{align*}
\phi_t &= \left[(1 - M_{\infty}^2) u - \frac{1}{2}(\gamma + 1) M_{\infty}^2 u^2 \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \\
&\quad + v_y - \alpha_2 M_{\infty}^2 w_x \\
&\quad + v_t = w_x \\
v_t &= v_y .
\end{align*}
\] (A.5)

Notice that, unlike the full potential case, the system of first-order equations is hyperbolic only if
\[
\alpha^2 M_{\infty}^2 + 1 > 0 \quad \text{where} \quad 1 - M^2 = 1 - M_{\infty}^2 - (\gamma + 1) M_{\infty}^2 \phi_x
\]

The characteristics (and the compatibility relations) of the unsteady equations are obtained from this system (A.5). The steady-state relations are:
\[
\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2_{\text{char.}} = \left(\frac{dy}{du}\right)^2_{\text{char.}} = (\gamma + 1) M_{\infty}^2 u - (1 - M_{\infty}^2) .
\] (A.6)

We note that equation (A.4) simplifies to *

*Equation (A.6) is consistent with the weak shock approximation: The shock bisects the characteristics; in other words,
\[
\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{\text{shock}} \sqrt{\left[\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2_{\text{shock}} - 1\right]} = \frac{\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{\text{ch}}}{\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{\text{ch}} u_{\text{ch}}} \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{\text{ch}} u_{\text{ch}} - 1 .
\]
The development of solution during iteration may be described by

\[
\alpha \phi_x + \gamma \phi_y + \delta \phi_t = \left[ (1 - M_\infty^2) \phi_x - \frac{\gamma + 1}{2} M_\infty^2 \phi_x \right]_x + \left( \phi_y \right)_y.
\]

Hence, the shock is updated from the equation (for \( \gamma = 0 \))

\[
A \frac{\partial \phi_D}{\partial t} + B \frac{\partial \phi_D}{\partial y} = C,
\]

where \( A = \alpha, B = \frac{\partial \phi_D}{\partial y} \),

\( C = -\left\langle (1 - M_\infty^2) - (\gamma + 1)M_\infty^2 \phi_x \right\rangle. \)

One-Dimensional Example

Consider the following one-dimensional model equation for the unsteady problem

\[
(\phi_x)_t + (\phi_x^2)_x = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq l
\]

\( \phi(0,t) = 0, \quad \phi_x(0,t) = \phi_{xL} \)

\( \phi(l,t) = 0 \)

The jump condition is

\[
\left. \frac{\partial \phi_D}{\partial t} \right| = \phi_{xL} + \phi_{xR}.
\]

We see that the speed of the shock is the average of the upstream and downstream velocities.**

**The governing equation is \( u_t + 2uu_x = 0 \); hence

\[
\left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{ch} = 2u \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{sh} = \left\langle 2u_u + 2u_d \right\rangle.
\]
For \( E = 2 \) and \( \phi_{xL} = 1 \), the steady-state solution is

\[
\phi = X \quad 0 \leq X \leq 1,
\]

\[
\phi = 2 - X \quad 1 \leq X \leq 2,
\]

(A.12)

In Sketch A.1 we see that if we locate the shock incorrectly between zero and one the shock will move towards one. If the shock is placed at one, the shock speed is zero, and the shock settles there.

To check these ideas, we compared this method to that of Hafez and Cheng. Hafez and Cheng considered the shock an internal boundary with a derivative (Neuman) boundary condition. Assuming that the initial guess of the shock location is at \( I \), we can solve the flow downstream of the shock with a derivative boundary condition derived from the steady jump condition; in other words,

\[
\phi_{XR} = -\phi_{xL}
\]

(A.13)

The new position of the shock is determined by finding the intersection of the two \( \phi \) solutions downstream and upstream of \( I \), as demonstrated in Sketch A.2.
Sketch A.2

Sketch A.3 shows a case where the shock is placed incorrectly at II.

Sketch A.3
The continuity of $\phi$ across the shock (tangential velocities are the same) and the mass conservation condition switch roles in the two methods. Hafez and Cheng used the mass conservation condition to calculate the flow downstream of the shock and the continuity of $\phi$ to determine the new shock location. In the present method we use the continuity of $\phi$ to calculate the flow downstream of the shock, and the shock moves to satisfy the mass conservation condition. Hafez and Cheng show that the results obtained with their method are identical to those obtained with Murman's fully conservative shock-point operator for the one-dimensional case. On the other hand, the present method uses the Dirichlet boundary condition to solve the flow downstream of the shock. Unlike the nonconservative calculations, mass is conserved by moving the shock to the correct place.

The finite-difference implementation of the Hafez and Cheng procedure for the one-dimensional problem considered here is

$$\frac{u_+^2 - u_-^2}{\Delta x} = 0 \quad (A.14)$$

where

$$u_+ = \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta x}$$

$$u_- = -\frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_{i-2}}{\Delta x}$$

while the corresponding formula of the present method is (Sketch A.4)

$$\frac{u_+^2 - u_-^2}{\Delta x} = 0 \quad (A.15)$$

where

$$u_+ = \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta x}$$

$$u_- = \frac{\phi_i - \phi_d}{\Delta x}$$

$$\phi_d = \phi_{i-1} + (x^D - x_{i-1})$$

$$\times \left(\frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_{i-2}}{\Delta x} - \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta x}\right)$$
and

\[ \frac{dX}{dt} = \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta X} + \frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_{i-2}}{\Delta X} \]

which can be written in the form:

\[ \frac{u^2 - u^2}{\Delta X} = c \]

(A.16)

where

\[ u_+ = \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta X} \]

\[ u_- = \frac{\phi_i - \phi_{i-1}}{\Delta X} \]

\[ \Delta X \cdot C = \left[ \frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_d}{\Delta X} \right]^2 + 2 \frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_d}{\Delta X} \frac{\phi_i - \phi_{i-1}}{\Delta X} \]

\[ = \left[ - \frac{X^D - X_{i-1}}{\Delta X} \left( \frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_{i-2}}{\Delta X} - \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta X} \right) \right] \]

\[- 2 \times \left[ \frac{X^D - X_{i-1}}{\Delta X} \left( \frac{\phi_{i-1} - \phi_{i-2}}{\Delta X} - \frac{\phi_{i+1} - \phi_i}{\Delta X} \right) \right] \left( \frac{\phi_i - \phi_{i-1}}{\Delta X} \right) \]

Notice the left-hand side is the nonconservative difference scheme (elliptic operator) and the right-hand side is the correction (source) term needed to conserve mass.

Sketch A.4
Two-Dimensional Examples

Supersonic-Subsonic Shocks.

In the method of Hafez and Cheng, an algebraic relation derived from a finite-difference approximation of the shock polar replaces the finite-difference approximation of the differential equation downstream of the shock; namely,*

\[ (1 - \frac{M_{\infty}^2}{\gamma + 1})M_{\infty}^2 \phi_x > \frac{\| \phi_x \|}{\Delta x} + \frac{\| \phi_y \|}{\Delta y} = 0 \]

where

\[ \beta = -\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \frac{\partial x_D}{\partial y} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} \frac{\| \phi_y \|}{\| \phi_x \|} \]

and where appropriate one-sided derivatives for \( \phi_x \) and \( \phi_y \) are used in the \( \| \cdot \| \) and \(< >\) quantities. The shock is located at the intersection of the \( \phi \) surfaces extrapolated from upstream and downstream calculations invoking the continuity of \( \phi \).

In the present method, an elliptic operator with a correction (source) term is used at the grid points just downstream of the shock. Fictitious points upstream of the shock similar to those in the one-dimensional case (as shown in Sketch A.5) are needed. The values of \( \phi \) at these points \((\phi_{d1}, \phi_{d2})\) are obtained by extrapolation from the previous downstream solution and from the values of \( \phi \) at the shock. The latter are obtained by extrapolation of the upstream solution to the shock position. The shock is then relocated by means of equation (A.9). Note that here we need the extrapolation procedures only to calculate a correction term. (An approximate location of the shock, for example, the middle of the mesh, may be used without great loss of accuracy.) Also, a locally normal shock-fitting approximation may be assumed (in other words, we may use the same formula as in the one-dimensional case, plus a centered difference approximation for the \( \phi_{yy} \) term). As a matter of fact, Murman's fully conservative scheme may be written as an elliptic operator with a correction term, as follows:

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*Murman's shock-point operator is a special case of this relation:

\[ (\beta = 1 \text{ and } \frac{\| \phi_y \|}{\Delta y} = (\phi_{yy})_{C.D.}) \]

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All of these variants have been tested by modifying Murman's small-disturbance program. As shown in figure 10, we have calculated the flows around a 6\% parabolic arc airfoil for a subsonic free stream \((M = 0.9)\) by using

(i) Nonconservative scheme

(ii) Murman's fully conservative scheme

(iii) Fully conservative scheme in the form of an elliptic operator with a correction (source) term

(iv) Shock fitting (present method).

For these calculations, we used a 60 x 60 grid \((\Delta x = \Delta y = 0.05)\), and the far field was set equal to zero. The convergence limit \(|\phi^{n+1} - \phi^n| < 10^{-4}\) was usually reached in 50 iterations.

\[
\left[ (K\phi_x - \frac{1}{2}\phi_x^2)x + \phi_{yy} \right]_{C.D.} = -\left[ (K\phi_x - \frac{1}{2}\phi_x^2)x \right]_{B.D.}. 
\]

Supersonic-Supersonic Shocks.

For supersonic-supersonic shocks, Hafez and Cheng \(^\text{8}\) used equation (A.7) to locate the shock in a step-by-step procedure. With the present method, we solve the problem iteratively where the shock moves according to equation (A.9). The value of \(\phi\) at the shock is used as a boundary condition for the unknown on a vertical line between the shock location and the body (axis). Since background differences are used, values along the \(i-1\) and \(i-2\) lines are needed. Extrapolation in the \(Y\) direction is used to obtain the values of \(\phi\) for those points upstream of the shock. As shown in figure 11, we have calculated the flows around a 6\% parabolic arc airfoil for a supersonic stream \((M_\infty = 1.15)\) by using...
Figure 10. Supersonic-Subsonic Shocks.

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Figure 10(a). Nonconservative Calculations.

Figure 10(b). Fully Conservative Calculations.
Figure 10(c). Modified Shock Point Operator Results (Elliptic Operator With a Correction Term).

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Figure 10(d). Shock-Fitting Results.
Figure 11. Supersonic-Supersonic Shocks

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Figure 11(a). Nonconservative Calculations (Did Not Converge in 200 Iterations).

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Figure 11(b). Fully Conservative Calculations.
Figure 11(d). Shock-Fitting Results.

Figure 11(c). Initial Shock Location Predicted From Nonconservative Calculations.
(i) Nonconservative scheme
(ii) Fully conservative scheme
(iii) Shock fitting (present method);

For the calculations shown in figure 11, we used a 60 x 30 grid 
($\Delta x = 0.05$, $\Delta y = 0.1$).
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