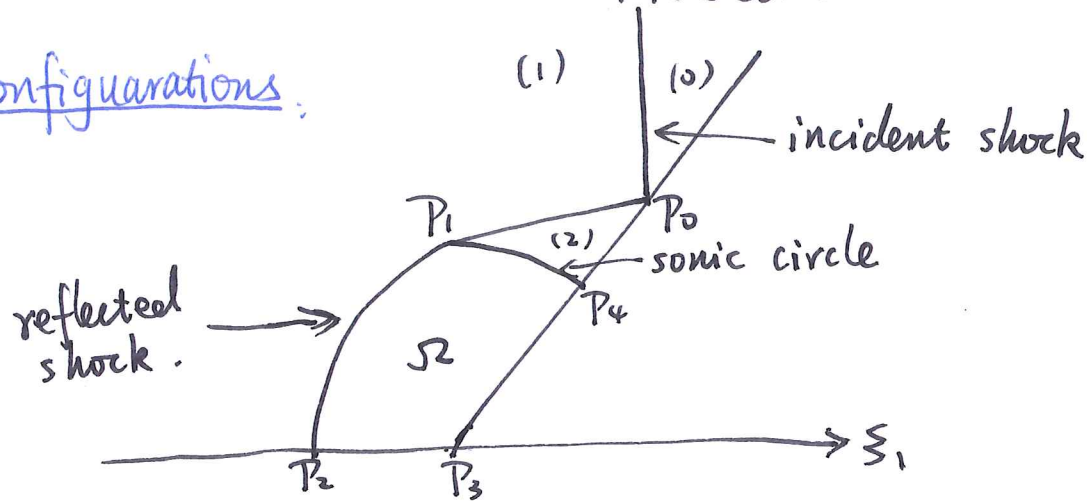


Mathematics of Shock Reflection-Diffraction

Problem:

Configurations:



Equations in Ω :

$$\operatorname{div} (P(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) D\varphi) + 2P(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) = 0.$$

$$\text{with } P(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) = (P_0^{\gamma-1} - (\gamma-1)(\varphi + \frac{1}{2}|D\varphi|^2))^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}}.$$

Equation is elliptic if and only if

$$|D\varphi| < C_*(\varphi, P_0, \gamma) := \sqrt{\frac{2}{\gamma+1} (P_0^{\gamma-1} - (\gamma-1)\varphi)}.$$

Uniform states:

$$\varphi_0(\xi) = -\frac{|\xi|^2}{2} \quad \text{for } \xi_1 > \xi_1^0$$

$$\varphi_1(\xi) = -\frac{|\xi|^2}{2} + u_1(\xi_1 - \xi_1^0) \quad \text{for } \xi_1 < \xi_1^0,$$

Location of the incident shock:

$$\xi_1^0 = P_1 \sqrt{\frac{2(P_1^{\gamma-1} - P_0^{\gamma-1})}{(\gamma-1)(P_1^2 - P_0^2)}} = \frac{P_1 u_1}{P_1 - P_0} > 0.$$

$$\varphi_2(\xi) = -\frac{|\xi|^2}{2} + u_2(\xi_1 - \xi_1^0) + u_2 \operatorname{tg} \theta_w (\xi_2 - \xi_1^0 \operatorname{tg} \theta_w),$$

where $u_2 > 0$, $P_2 > P_1$.

Boundary conditions:

On Γ_{wedge} : $D\varphi \cdot \nu = 0$,

On Γ_{sonic} : $\varphi = \varphi_2$ (Should prove $D\varphi = D\varphi_2$).

On Γ_{shock} : $[\varphi]_S = 0$ (To determine the free boundary).
 $[P(1/2|\varphi|^2, \varphi) D\varphi \cdot \nu]_S = 0$ (Boundary condition for φ).

Additional requirement:

To define P : $P_0^{\gamma-1} - (\gamma-1)(\varphi + \frac{1}{2}|\varphi|^2) > 0$.

Definition of transonic admissible solutions

Let $\gamma > 1$, $P_1 > P_0 > 0$ and $u_1 > 0$ be constants. Fix a wedge angle $\theta_w \in [\theta_w^s, \frac{\pi}{2})$. A function $\varphi \in C^{0,1}(\Lambda)$ is called an admissible solution of regular reflection problem if φ is a solution to the previous problem satisfying:

i): There exists the (shock) curve Γ_{shock} with endpoints P_1 and P_2 , where $P_2 = (\xi_{1P_2}, 0)$ with $\xi_{1P_2} < \min(0, u_1 - c_1)$, $\xi_{1P_2} \leq \xi_{1P_1}$, and curve Γ_{shock} satisfies

- $\Gamma_{\text{shock}} \subset (\Lambda \setminus \overline{B_{c_1}(u_1, 0)}) \cap \{ \xi_{1P_2} \leq \xi_1 \leq \xi_{1P_1} \}$,

where $C_1 = \partial B_{c_1}(u_1, 0)$ is the sonic circle of state (1).

- Γ_{shock} is C^2 in its relative interior. Moreover, denote by $\Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}}$ the curve $\Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}} = \Gamma_{\text{shock}} \cup \Gamma_{\text{shock}}^- \cup \{P_2\}$, where Γ_{shock}^- is the reflection of Γ_{shock} with respect to $\{\xi_2 = 0\}$. Then $\Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}}$ is C^1 at its relative interior (including P_2), in the sense that for any P in the relative interior of $\Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}}$, there exists $r > 0$, $f \in C^1(\mathbb{R})$ and orthonormal coordinate system S, T in \mathbb{R}^2 such that $\Gamma_{\text{shock}} \cap B_r(P) = \{S = f(T)\} \cap B_r(P)$. Moreover, if $P \neq P_2$, then $f \in C^2$ can be chosen for sufficiently small r .

Definition of transonic admissible solutions (Continued):

Denote by Γ_{sonic} the arc $P_1 P_4$ of sonic circle C_2 of state (2), and denote the line segments $\Gamma_{\text{sym}} = P_2 P_3$, $\Gamma_{\text{wedge}} = P_3 P_4$. From above, it follows that Γ_{shock} , Γ_{sonic} , Γ_{sym} , Γ_{wedge} do not have common points except their endpoints P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4 . Thus $\overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sym}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{wedge}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}$ is a closed curve without self-intersections. Denote by Ω the open bounded domain restricted by this curve. Note that $\Omega \subset \Lambda$, $\partial\Omega = \overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sym}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{wedge}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}$, and $\partial\Omega \cap \partial\Lambda = \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sym}}} \cup \overline{\Gamma_{\text{wedge}}}$.

ii): φ satisfies:

$$\varphi \in C^{0,1}(\Lambda) \cap C^1(\overline{\Lambda} \setminus \overline{P_0 P_1 P_2}),$$

$$\varphi \in C^3(\overline{\Omega} \setminus (\overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}} \cup \{P_2, P_3\})) \cap C^1(\overline{\Omega}),$$

$$\varphi = \begin{cases} \varphi_0 & \text{for } \xi_1 > \xi_1^0 \text{ and } \xi_2 > \xi_1 \tan \theta_w, \\ \varphi_1 & \text{for } \xi_1 < \xi_1^0 \text{ and above the reflection shock } P_0 P_1 P_2 \\ \varphi_2 & \text{in } P_0 P_1 P_4. \end{cases}$$

iii): equation (2.2.8) is strictly elliptic in $\overline{\Omega} \setminus \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}$:

$$|D\varphi| < c(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) \quad \text{in } \overline{\Omega} \setminus \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}.$$

Definition of transonic admissible solutions (Continued)

iv): $\varphi_1 \geq \varphi \geq \varphi_2$ in Ω ;

v): Let e_{S_1} be a unit vector parallel to S_1 and oriented so that

$e_{S_1} \cdot e_{\xi_1} < 0$. That is

$$e_{S_1} = \frac{P_1 - P_0}{|P_1 - P_0|} = - \frac{(V_2, u_1 - u_2)}{\sqrt{(u_1 - u_2)^2 + V_2^2}}.$$

Then $\partial_{e_{S_1}} (\varphi_1 - \varphi) \leq 0$ in Ω ,

$\partial_{\xi_2} (\varphi_1 - \varphi) \leq 0$ in Ω .

Remark 1: For any θ_w sufficiently close to $\frac{\pi}{2}$, the solutions are transonic admissible solutions.

(Refer: G.-Q. Chen and M. Feldman, Global solutions of shock reflection

by large-angle wedges for potential flow. Ann. of Math. (2) 171 (2010), 1067-1182.)

Remark 2: (velocity jump across Γ_{shock}).

Notice that φ_1 is pseudo-supersonic on Γ_{shock} , while φ is pseudo-~~sub~~subsonic on Γ_{shock} . Thus

$$D\varphi \neq D\varphi_1 \quad \text{on } \overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}}.$$

Remark 3: ($\Gamma_{\text{sym}} \cup \{P_2\}$ are interior points).

Let $\Omega^- (\Gamma_{\text{sonic}})$ be the reflection of $\Omega (\Gamma_{\text{sonic}})$ with respect to $\{\xi_2=0\}$, and $\Omega^{\text{ext}} = \Omega \cup \Omega^- \cup \Gamma_{\text{sym}}$, $\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}^{\text{ext}} = \Gamma_{\text{sonic}} \cup \Gamma_{\text{sonic}}^-$.

Then $\Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}} \subset \partial \Omega^{\text{ext}}$. Let φ^{ext} be the even extension of φ into Ω^{ext} , by $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \nu} = 0$ on Γ_{sym} , we get

$$\varphi^{\text{ext}} \in C^2(\overline{\Omega^{\text{ext}}} \setminus (\overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}^{\text{ext}}} \cup \{P_2, P_3\})) \cap C^1(\overline{\Omega^{\text{ext}}}).$$

It is easy to ~~check~~ check that φ^{ext} satisfies equations and the equations are strictly elliptic in $\overline{\Omega^{\text{ext}}} \setminus \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}^{\text{ext}}}$. Moreover φ^{ext} satisfies

$$\varphi^{\text{ext}} = \varphi_1, \quad p(|D\varphi^{\text{ext}}|^2, \varphi^{\text{ext}}) D\varphi^{\text{ext}} \cdot \nu = p_1 D\varphi_1 \cdot \nu \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{shock}}^{\text{ext}}.$$

Remark 4: (Cone of monotonicity directions).

For all $e \in \text{Cone}(e_{\xi_1}, e_{\xi_2})$, $e \neq 0$,

$$\partial_e (\varphi_1 - \varphi) \leq 0 \quad \text{in } \overline{\Omega}.$$

Where $\text{Cone}(e, g) = \{ae + bg \mid a, b \geq 0\}$ for $e, g \in \mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \{0\}$, with $e \neq g$.

Remark 5 (Entropy Condition): If φ is a transonic admissible solution,

then $\partial_\nu \varphi_1 > \partial_\nu \varphi > 0$ on Γ_{shock} ,
where ν is unit normal to Γ_{shock} , interior to Ω .

Proof: We have $D\varphi_1(P_2) = (u_1 - \xi_{1P_2}, 0) = (u_1 + |\xi_{1P_2}|, 0)$, and $\nu(P_2) = (1, 0)$ along Γ_{shock} .

Thus $\partial_\nu \varphi_1(P_2) > 0$.

Now we show that $\partial_\nu \varphi_1 > 0$ along Γ_{shock} .

If not, there exists a point $\hat{P} \in \Gamma_{\text{shock}}$, $\partial_\nu \varphi_1(\hat{P}) = 0$, then from

$P(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) \partial_\nu \varphi = P_1 \partial_\nu \varphi_1$ on Γ_{shock} , either $\partial_\nu \varphi_0 = 0$ or $P = 0$ at \hat{P} .

From ellipticity, $\partial_\nu \varphi = 0$ at \hat{P} . So $D\varphi_1(\hat{P}) = D\varphi(\hat{P})$.

Contradict to Remark 2.

Now from Rankine-Hugoniot condition, $\partial_\nu \varphi > 0$ on Γ_{shock} .

Notice that equation is elliptic is equivalent to

$$|D\varphi| < \sqrt{\frac{2}{\gamma+1} (P_0^{\gamma-1} - (\gamma-1)\varphi)},$$

and $\varphi_c = \varphi_{1,c}$, $\varphi = \varphi_1$ on Γ_{shock} .

so $\partial_\nu \varphi_1 > \partial_\nu \varphi > 0$ on Γ_{shock} .

Main Results:

Th1: For case $u_1 \leq c_1$. Let $\Theta_w^s \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ be the sonic angle. Then there exists $\alpha = \alpha(P_0, P_1, \nu) \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ such that, when $\Theta_w \in (\Theta_w^s, \frac{\pi}{2})$, there exists a global self-similar regular reflection-diffraction solution:

$$\Phi(t, x) = t \varphi\left(\frac{x}{t}\right) + \left(\frac{|x|^2}{2t}\right), \quad \text{for } \frac{x}{t} \in \Lambda, \quad t > 0.$$

$$\text{with } P(t, x) = \left(P_0^{\nu-1} - (\nu-1)\left(\Phi_t + \frac{1}{2}|\nabla_x \Phi|^2\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{\nu-1}},$$

where ~~$\varphi(\xi)$~~ $\varphi(\xi)$ is a transonic admissible solution.

Th2: For case $u_1 > c_1$, let $\Theta_w^s \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ be the sonic angle. There exists $\Theta_w^a \in [\Theta_w^s, \frac{\pi}{2})$ and $\alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ depending only on (P_0, P_1, ν) such that the results of Th1 hold for each wedge angle $\Theta_w \in (\Theta_w^a, \frac{\pi}{2})$. If $\Theta_w^a > \Theta_w^s$, then for the wedge angle $\Theta_w = \Theta_w^a$, there exists an "attached" solution, i.e., a solution ~~Φ~~ with the properties as in Th1 except that $P_2 = P_3$, and the reflected shock $P_0 P_1 P_2$ is Lipschitz up to its endpoints and is $C^{2,\beta}$ for any $\beta \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$ except the point P_2 , and is C^∞ except the points P_1 and P_2 .

Main Results:

Th3 (Optimal Regularity): The solution φ in Th1 and Th2 satisfies

(i) φ is $C^{2,\alpha}$ up to the sonic arc $\overline{P_1 P_4}$ away from the point P_1 for any $\alpha \in (0,1)$. That is for any $\alpha \in (0,1)$ and any given $\xi_0 \in \overline{P_1 P_4} \setminus \{P_1\}$, there exist $K < \infty$ and $d > 0$, depending only on P_0, P_1, γ, α , and $\text{dist}(\xi_0, \Gamma_{\text{shock}})$, so that

$$\|\varphi\|_{2,\alpha; \overline{B_d(\xi_0) \cap \Omega}} \leq K;$$

(ii) For any $\xi_0 \in \overline{P_1 P_4} \setminus \{P_1\}$,

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow \xi_0, \xi \in \Omega} (D_{rr} \varphi - D_{rr} \varphi_2) = \frac{1}{\gamma+1},$$

where (r, θ) are the polar coordinates with center at (u_2, v_2) .

(iii): $D^2 \varphi$ has a jump across $\overline{P_1 P_4}$: For any $\xi_0 \in \overline{P_1 P_4} \setminus \{P_1\}$,

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow \xi_0, \xi \in \Omega} D_{rr} \varphi - \lim_{\xi \rightarrow \xi_0, \xi \in \Omega} D_{rr} \varphi = \frac{1}{\gamma+1}.$$

(iv): The limit

$$\lim_{\xi \rightarrow P_1, \xi \in \Omega} D^2 \varphi$$

does not exist.

Reference: Bae, M.; Chen, G.-Q.; Fellman, M., Regularity of solutions to regular shock reflection for potential flow. Invent. Math. 175 (2009), no. 3, 505-543.

Proof of Existence:

Defini Notations:

① For $\sigma \in (0, \varepsilon_0]$ denote

$$D_\sigma := \{\varphi_2 < \varphi_1\} \cap \Delta \cap N_{\varepsilon_1}(\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}) \cap \{0 < x < \sigma\}.$$

② For a set $S \in \{\Omega, \Gamma_{\text{shock}}, \Gamma_{\text{wedge}}\}$ and for integer $k \geq 0$ and real $\sigma > 0$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, we define:

$$\|u\|_{k, \alpha, S}^{*, \sigma} = \|u\|_{k, \alpha, S \setminus D_{\frac{\varepsilon_0}{10}}}^{-(k-1+\alpha), \Gamma_{\text{sym}}} + \|u\|_{k, \alpha, S \cap D_{\varepsilon_0}}^{\sigma, (\text{par})}.$$

$C_{*, \sigma}^{k, \alpha}(S)$ is the closure in the norm $\|\cdot\|_{k, \alpha, S}^{*, \sigma}$ of the set

$$\{v \in C^\infty(S) \mid \|v\|_{k, \alpha, S}^{*, \sigma} < \infty\}.$$

Iteration set:

Iteration set $K \subset C_{*, 1+\delta}^{2, \alpha}(\Omega) \times [\theta_w^*, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ is the set of all (φ, θ_w) satisfying the following properties:

① (φ, θ_w) satisfy the estimates $\|\varphi\|_{2, \alpha, \Omega}^{*, 1+\delta} < \eta_1(\theta_w)$,

where $\eta_1 \in C(\mathbb{R})$ is defined by

$$\eta_1(\theta_w) = \begin{cases} \delta_1 & , \text{ if } \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_w \leq \frac{\delta_1}{N_1}, \\ 10M & , \text{ if } \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_w \geq 2\frac{\delta_1}{N_1}, \\ \text{linear} & , \text{ if } \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_w \in \left(\frac{\delta_1}{N_1}, 2\frac{\delta_1}{N_1}\right), \end{cases}$$

where M is the constant defined by uniform estimates of the transonic admissible solutions.

Proof of Existence.

Iteration set (Continued):

② $\Gamma_{shock} \subset \Lambda(\Omega_w) \setminus \overline{B_{c_1}(0)}$, and ~~$2C \geq \text{dist}(\Gamma_{shock},$~~

$$2C \geq g_{shock} \geq \frac{1}{2c},$$

where $\Gamma_{shock} = \{(s, t) \mid s \in (0, \hat{s}(\Omega_w)), t = g_{shock}(s)\}$, and constant C is determined by the estimates of the transonic admissible solutions.

③ φ satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi - \varphi_2) &> \eta_2(\Omega_w) && \text{in } \bar{\Omega} \setminus D_{\varepsilon/10}; \\ \partial_x(\varphi - \varphi_2) &< \frac{2 - \mu_0}{1 + \nu} x && \text{in } \Omega_\varepsilon \setminus \Omega_{\varepsilon/10}; \\ \partial_{e_{s_1}}(\varphi_1 - \varphi) &< -\eta_2(\Omega_w) && \text{in } \bar{\Omega} \setminus D_{\varepsilon/10}; \\ \partial_{s_2}(\varphi_1 - \varphi) &< -\eta_2(\Omega_w) && \text{in } \bar{\Omega} \setminus N_{\varepsilon/10}(\{\beta_2 = 0\}); \\ \partial_\nu(\varphi_1 - \varphi) &> \mu_1 && \text{on } \overline{\Gamma_{shock}}, \\ \partial_\nu \varphi &> \mu_1 && \text{on } \overline{\Gamma_{shock}}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\eta_2(\Omega_w) = \delta_2 \min(\frac{x}{2} - \Omega_w - \frac{\delta_1}{N_1^2}, \frac{\delta_1}{N_1^2})$, and constants μ_k are chosen from uniform estimates of the transonic admissible solutions.

④ Uniform ellipticity in $\bar{\Omega} \setminus D_{\varepsilon/10}$:

$$|D\varphi| < C(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) - \lambda \text{ in } \bar{\Omega} \setminus D_{\varepsilon/10},$$

where $\lambda = \lambda(\varepsilon) > 0$ is chosen in Remark ~~below~~ below.

Proof of Existence:

Iteration Set (Continued):

⑤ Bounds on density: $P_{\min} < P(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) < P_{\max}$ in $\bar{\Omega} \setminus D_{\varepsilon/10}$,
with $P_{\max} > P_{\min} > 0$ defined by ~~$P_{\min} = \frac{a}{2} P_1$, P_{\max}~~ estimates of the
admissible solutions.

⑥ Boundary value problem \otimes defined by (φ, Θ_w) below has a solution
 $\hat{\varphi} \in C^2(\Omega(w)) \cap C^1(\bar{\Omega}(w))$ with the following properties, ~~that~~ that

$$\|\varphi - \hat{\varphi}\|_{2, \alpha/2, \Omega}^{*, 1+\delta^*} < \delta_3.$$

Remark 6: The choice of constants below will keep only the following dependences:

δ^* is fixed above, and α depends only on the data and Θ_w^* . Other constants,
in addition to data and Θ_w^* , have the following dependencies:

Small ε depends on δ^* . Small δ_1 depends on δ^*, ε . Large N_1 depends on δ_1 . Small
 δ_2 depends δ_1, N_1 and ε . Small λ depends on ε as defined in the next Remark.

Then $\delta_3 > 0$ is made as small as needed, depending on all other constants.

Remark 7: Given $\varepsilon > 0$, by ellipticity estimate, there exists $\hat{\lambda} > 0$ such that ④ of
iteration set holds strictly with $\hat{\lambda}$ for any admissible solution for $\Theta_w \in [\Theta_w^*, \frac{\lambda}{\varepsilon}]$. Then
we choose $\lambda = \frac{\hat{\lambda}}{2}$.

Proof of Existence:

Remark 8: Since $\varphi = \varphi_1$ on Γ_{shock} , i.e., $|D_\nu(\varphi_1 - \varphi)| = |D(\varphi_1 - \varphi)|$, then

$\partial_\nu(\varphi_1 - \varphi) > \mu_1$ on $\overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}}$ is equivalent to $|D(\varphi_1 - \varphi)| > \mu_1$ on $\overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}}$.

Remark 9: From definition of the constants P_{\min} , P_{\max} , and noting that $p(|D\varphi|^2, \varphi) = P_2$ on Γ_{sonic} for any admissible solution φ , it follows that

$$2P_{\min} \leq P_2 \leq \frac{P_{\max}}{2}.$$

Furthermore, since for any admissible solution φ , at the point $P_i \in \overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}}$, there holds $(\varphi - \varphi_2)(P_i) = 0$ and $D(\varphi - \varphi_2)(P_i) = 0$, then

$$|(u_1 - u_2, -v_2)| = |D(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2)| > \mu_1.$$

Boundary Value Problem \otimes :

Fix $(\varphi, \vartheta_w) \in C_{*, 1+\delta}^{2, \alpha} \times [\vartheta_w^*, \frac{\lambda}{2}]$, satisfying properties in iteration set ①-⑤.

For such (φ, ϑ_w) we obtain Ω , Γ_{shock} , Γ_{sonic} . Let $\psi = \varphi - \varphi_2$, $\hat{\psi} = \hat{\varphi} - \varphi_2$.

The boundary value problem \otimes for $\hat{\psi}$ is:

$$\mathcal{N}(\hat{\psi}) = A_{11} \hat{\psi}_{\xi_1 \xi_1} + 2A_{12} \hat{\psi}_{\xi_1 \xi_2} + A_{22} \hat{\psi}_{\xi_2 \xi_2} = 0 \quad \text{in } \Omega.$$

~~$\mathcal{M}(\hat{\psi})$~~

$$\mathcal{M}(D\hat{\psi}, \hat{\psi}, \xi_1, \xi_2) = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{shock}}.$$

$$\hat{\psi} = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{sonic}}.$$

$$\hat{\psi}_\nu = 0 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{wedge}}.$$

$$\hat{\psi}_\nu = -v_2 \quad \text{on } \Gamma_{\text{sym}}.$$

Proof of Existence:

Equation for the iteration: Cut-off, Nonlinear-linearization, then the coefficients $A_{ij}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2)$ for $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $(\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \Omega$, $i, j = 1, 2$ satisfy:

① For any $(\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \Omega$ and $P, \mu \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\lambda_0 (C_2 - r) |\mu|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^2 A_{ij}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) \mu_i \mu_j \leq \lambda_0^{-1} |\mu|^2, \text{ with } r = \sqrt{\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2};$$

② $A_{ij}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) = A_{ij}^1(\xi_1, \xi_2)$ for any $(\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \Omega \setminus D_\varepsilon$ and $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$, where

$$\|A_{ij}^1\|_{C_{1,\alpha}^{-\alpha, \overline{\Omega} \setminus D_\varepsilon}^{\text{sym}}} \leq C;$$

③ Functions $A_{ij}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2)$ satisfy for each $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\|A_{ij}(P, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}})} + \|D_P A_{ij}(P, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon})} \leq C,$$

$$A_{ij}(P, \cdot, \cdot), D_P^k A_{ij}(P, \cdot, \cdot) \in C^{1,\alpha}(\overline{\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}} \setminus \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}) \text{ for } k=1, 2;$$

④ Coefficients $A_{ij}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2)$ can be extended by continuity to all $(\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \overline{\Omega}$ for each $P \in \mathbb{R}^2$. In particular, for $(\xi_1, \xi_2) \in \overline{\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}}$, the coefficients have the following explicit form:

$$A_{11}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) = C_2^2 - \xi_1^2, \quad A_{22}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) = C_2^2 - \xi_2^2, \quad A_{12}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) = A_{21}(P, \xi_1, \xi_2) = -\xi_1 \xi_2,$$

where we recall that we work in the shifted coordinates (ξ_1, ξ_2) with origin at O_2 .

⑤ If $\hat{\psi} = \psi$ and $|\hat{\psi}_x| < \frac{2 - \frac{\mu_0}{\varepsilon}}{1 + \nu} x$, then ψ satisfies the potential flow equation.

Proof of Existence

Equation for the iteration (Continued):

In (x, y) -coordinates: $\hat{A}_{11}\hat{\Psi}_{xx} + 2\hat{A}_{12}\hat{\Psi}_{xy} + \hat{A}_{22}\hat{\Psi}_{yy} + \hat{A}_1\hat{\Psi}_x + \hat{A}_2\hat{\Psi}_y = 0$,
 where $\hat{A}_{ij} = \hat{A}_{ij}(D\hat{\Psi}, x, y)$, $\hat{A}_i = \hat{A}_i(D\hat{\Psi}, x, y)$, and $\hat{A}_{12} = \hat{A}_{21}$, satisfy:

① For any $(x, y) \in \Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}$, and $p, \kappa \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\lambda_1 |\kappa|^2 \leq \sum_{i,j=1}^2 \hat{A}_{ij}(p, x, y) \frac{\kappa_i \kappa_j}{x^2 - \frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{\lambda_1} |\kappa|^2;$$

② For any $p \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\|(\hat{A}_{ij}, \hat{A}_i)(p, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}})} + \|(D_p \hat{A}_{ij}, D_p \hat{A}_i)(p, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{L^\infty(\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon})} \leq C.$$

③ \hat{A}_{11} , \hat{A}_{22} , and \hat{A}_1 are independent of p , and

$$|\hat{A}_{ii}(p, x, y) - \hat{A}_{ii}(0, 0, \tilde{y})| \leq C|x|^\alpha \text{ for all } p \in \mathbb{R}^2, (x, y), (0, \tilde{y}) \in \overline{\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}}.$$

④ \hat{A}_{12} , \hat{A}_{21} , and \hat{A}_2 are independent of p , and

$$|(\hat{A}_{12}, \hat{A}_{21}, \hat{A}_2)(x, y)| \leq C|x|^{\frac{1}{2} + \delta^*}, \quad \|(\hat{A}_{12}, \hat{A}_{21}, \hat{A}_2)\|_{C^\alpha(\overline{\Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}})} \leq C|\delta|^{-\frac{1}{2} + \delta^* - \alpha} \text{ for all } \delta \in (0, \varepsilon).$$

⑤ For each $(x_0, y_0) \in \Omega \cap D_{2\varepsilon}$ define

$$\hat{A}_{ij}^{(x_0, y_0)}(p_1, p_2, S, T) = x_0^{\frac{i+j}{2} - 2} \hat{A}_{ij}(4x_0 p_1, 4x_0^{\frac{3}{2}} p_2, x, y),$$

$$\hat{A}_i^{(x_0, y_0)}(p_1, p_2, S, T) = \frac{1}{4} x_0^{\frac{i-1}{2}} \hat{A}_i(4x_0 p_1, 4x_0^{\frac{3}{2}} p_2, x, y), \text{ where } x = x_0(1 + \frac{S}{4}), y = y_0 + \frac{\sqrt{x_0}}{4} T,$$

in the domain $Q_{1,1}^{(x_0, y_0)}$, satisfy:

$$\|\hat{A}_{ij}^{(x_0, y_0)}(p, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Q_{1,1}^{(x_0, y_0)})} \leq \lambda^{-1} \text{ for all } p \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

$$\|D_{p_i}(\hat{A}_{ij}^{(x_0, y_0)}, \hat{A}_i^{(x_0, y_0)})(p, \cdot, \cdot)\|_{C^{1,\alpha}(Q_{1,1}^{(x_0, y_0)})} \leq \lambda^{-1} \text{ for all } p \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Proof of Existence:

The iteration set is open:

- ① The set K^{ext} is relatively open in $C_{*, 1+\delta^*}^{2, \alpha}(\Omega) \times [\theta_w^*, \frac{\lambda}{2}]$, where K^{ext} is the set of all $(\varphi, \theta_w) \in C_{*, 1+\delta^*}^{2, \alpha}(\Omega) \times [\theta_w^*, \frac{\lambda}{2}]$ which satisfy properties ①-⑤ of the definition of the iteration set K .
- ② For any $(\varphi^\#, \theta_w^\#) \in K$, there exists $\delta^\# > 0$ small so that for any $(\varphi, \theta_w) \in K^{\text{ext}}$ which satisfy $\|\varphi^\# - \varphi\|_{C^1(\bar{\Omega})} + \|\theta_w^\# - \theta_w\| \leq \delta^\#$, the solution $\hat{\varphi}$ of boundary value problem by (φ, θ_w) , satisfies $\|\hat{\varphi}\|_{2, \alpha, \Omega}^{*, 2} < C$, where C depends only on the data and θ_w^* .
- ③ For $\delta^\#$ again small enough, the solution $\hat{\varphi}$ above actually satisfies $\|\hat{\varphi} - \varphi\|_{2, \frac{\alpha}{2}, \Omega}^{*, 1+\delta^*} < \delta_3$,
when $|\theta_w - \theta_w^\#|$ small enough.
- Thus the iteration set K is open.

Proof of Existence.

Extension of functions in weighted spaces.

Let $a > 0$, $g \in C^{0,1}([0,a])$ with $g(s) > 0$ on $[0,a]$. Let

$$\Omega_{\infty}^a = (0,a) \times (0,+\infty), \quad \Omega_g^a = \{(s,t) \in \Omega_{\infty}^a \mid 0 < t < g(s)\}.$$

Furthermore, let $\Gamma_g^a = \{(s, g(s)) \mid s \in (0,a)\}$.

For real $\sigma > 0$, $\alpha \in (0,1)$, $\varepsilon > 0$ denote

$$\|u\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_g^a}^{*,\sigma} = \|u\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_g^a \cap \{s > \frac{\varepsilon}{10}\}}^{-(1+\alpha), (par)} + \|u\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_{\sigma}^a \cap \{s < \varepsilon\}}^{\sigma, (par)},$$

where parabolic norms are with respect to $\{s=0\}$.

Denote by $C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_g^a)$ the space

$$C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_g^a) = \{u \in C^1(\overline{\Omega_g^a}) \cap C^2(\Omega_g^a) \mid \|u\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_g^a}^{*,\sigma} < +\infty\}.$$

Th 4. Let $a > 0$. Let $g \in C^{0,1}([0,a])$ with $g(s) \geq \lambda > 0$ on $[0,a]$. Then there exists an operator $\mathcal{E}_*^{(a)}: C^2(\Omega_g^a \cup \Gamma_g^a) \rightarrow C^2(\Omega_{\infty}^a)$ such that $\mathcal{E}_*^{(a)}(u) \equiv u$ on Ω_g^a for any $u \in C^2(\Omega_g^a \cup \Gamma_g^a)$, and furthermore, for any $\sigma > 0$, $\alpha \in (0,1)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$,

- ① $\mathcal{E}_*^{(a)}$ is a linear continuous operator from $C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_g^a)$ to $C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_{\infty}^a)$;
- ② There exists C depending only on $\text{Lip}[g]$, λ , α , ε , σ , a such that $\|\mathcal{E}_*^{(a)}(u)\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_{\infty}^a}^{*,\sigma} \leq C \|u\|_{2,\alpha,\Omega_g^a}^{*,\sigma}$, for all $u \in C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_g^a)$;

Proof of Existence:

Extension of functions in weighted spaces:

③ $\mathcal{E}_*^{(\alpha)}(u) \equiv 0$ for all $t > m$, where $m > 0$ depends only on $\|g\|_{C^{0,1}([0,a])}, \lambda$;

④ If $g_i \in C^{0,1}([0,a_i])$, $g \in C^{0,1}([0,a])$, where $a_i \rightarrow a$, $g_i \rightarrow g$ uniformly

on compact subsets of $[0,a]$, and if $u_i \in C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_{g_i}^a)$, $u \in C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}(\Omega_g^a)$ and $u_i \rightarrow u$ in C^2 on compact subsets of the open set Ω_g^a , and if there exist $L, M > 0$ such that $\text{Lip}[g_i] \leq L$ and $\|u_i\|_{C_{*,\sigma}^{2,\alpha}, \Omega_{g_i}^a} \leq M$ for all i , then denoting $w_i(s,t) := \mathcal{E}_{*,g_i}^{(a_i)}(u_i)(\frac{a}{a_i}s, t)$, we have

$w_i \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{*,g}^{(a)}(u)$
in $C_{*,\sigma'}^{2,\beta}(\Omega_{\infty}^a)$ for all $\beta \in (0,\alpha)$ and $\sigma' \in (0,\sigma)$.

The iteration map:

Iteration map $I: K \rightarrow C_{*,1+\delta}^{2,\alpha}(\bar{Q})$ is defined by $I^{(\partial\omega)}(\varphi) = \hat{\varphi}$, where $\hat{\varphi}$ is the solution of boundary value problem solved by $(\varphi, \partial\omega) \in K$, and then $\hat{\varphi}$ is extended to the fixed domain \bar{Q} .

Compactness and continuity of the iteration map:

By elliptic estimates and uniqueness.

Proof of Existence:

Degree:

① $I^{(\frac{\pi}{2})}(\varphi) \equiv \varphi_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \deg(I^{(\frac{\pi}{2})}; K) \neq 0$

② For any fixed point, i.e. $I^{(\theta_w)}(\varphi) = \varphi$,
 φ is a admissible solution, (by uniform estimates).
 \Rightarrow Fixed points do not lie in ∂K .

③ $\{I^{(\theta_w)}\}$ is homotopy with respect to θ_w .

④ $I^{(\theta_w)}$ are compact for any θ_w .

\Rightarrow Admissible solutions exist for all $\theta_w \in [\theta_w^*, \frac{\pi}{2}]$.

Remark 10: For ②, we need to prove all the estimates listed in the definition of

the transonic admissible solution and also need to remove all the cut-off functions we added to make sure that the solutions we obtained are the solutions to the potential flow equation.

Uniform estimates.

① The strict monotonicity for $\varphi_1 - \varphi$:

$$\partial_e(\varphi_1 - \varphi) < 0 \quad \text{in } \bar{\Omega} \quad \text{for all } e \in \text{Cone}^\circ(\ell_{s_1}, \ell_\eta).$$

\Rightarrow The shock is a graph for a cone of direction.

② The monotonicity cone for $\varphi - \varphi_2$:

$$\partial_e(\varphi - \varphi_2) \geq 0 \quad \text{in } \bar{\Omega} \quad \text{for all } e \in \text{Cone}^\circ(\ell_{s_1}, -\nu_{\text{wedge}}).$$

$\Rightarrow \partial_x(\varphi - \varphi_2) > 0$ near Γ_{sonic} , where $x = c_2 - r$.

③ Uniform estimate of the size of Ω , the Lipschitz norm of the potential, and the density from above and below:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &\subset B_c(0), & \|\varphi\|_{C^{0,1}(\bar{\Omega})} &\leq C, \\ a\rho_1 &\leq \rho \leq C \quad \text{in } \Omega & \text{with } a &= \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} > 0, \\ \rho_1 &< \rho &\leq C & \text{on } \overline{\Gamma_{\text{shock}}} \cup \{\mathcal{P}_3\}. \end{aligned}$$

④ Uniform positive bound for the distance between the shock and the sonic circle of state (1): $\text{dist}(\Gamma_{\text{shock}}, B_{c_1}(0,1)) > \frac{1}{C} > 0$.

⑤ Uniform positive lower bound for the distance between the shock and the wedge, and separation of the shock and the symmetry line:

1): $f'_{\text{shock}}(\xi) > \mu$ on $\{\xi \in (\xi_{p_2}, \min(\xi_{p_1}, 0)) : f_{\text{shock}}(\xi) \in (0, \frac{c_1}{2})\}$.

2): $\text{dist}(\Gamma_{\text{shock}}, \Gamma_{\text{wedge}}) > \frac{1}{C}$.

Uniform estimates:

⑥ Uniform estimate of the ellipticity of equation in Ω up to the shock:

Let $M^2 = \frac{|D\varphi|^2}{c^2}$, then

$$M^2(\xi, \eta) \leq 1 - \mu \operatorname{dist}((\xi, \eta), \Gamma_{\text{sonic}}), \text{ for all } (\xi, \eta) \in \Omega(\varphi).$$

⑦ Regularity estimates:

1) Regularity estimates away from the sonic arc:

uniform ellipticity estimates with weight.

free boundary (partial hodograph).

2) Regularity estimates near sonic arc:

$$(\varphi - \varphi_2)_x \leq \frac{2-\delta}{1+\nu} x,$$

$$|\varphi - \varphi_2| \leq Cx^2 \Rightarrow \|\varphi - \varphi_2\|_{2, \alpha, N_\varepsilon(\Gamma_{\text{sonic}}) \cap \Omega}^{(\text{par})} \leq C.$$

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