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WITHIN ALTITUDE COMPENSATING NOZZLES

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## ABSTRACT

Results of an experimental and analytical investigation of the characteristics of separated flow regions within altitude compensating nozzles are presented. Experimental results for a planar and an axisymmetric truncated plug nozzle are included while analytical results for planar and axisymmetric truncated plug and expansion-deflection nozzles are presented. The experimental results include extensive optical and pressure data covering nozzle operating characteristics, diffuser effects, sonic line shape, lip shock strength, turbulence effects and nozzle flow development. The extension of the analytical method of Mueller and Hall to included nonuniform nozzle flows produced the correct base pressure trends with overall nozzle area ratio, base temperature ratio, ambient pressure ratio, amount of base bleed, and initial boundary layer thickness as well as good qualitative agreement between the experimental and analytical flow fields when no strong internal shock was present. It was found that the lip shock was not of significant strength in the cases studied to warrant including it in the theory. Also it was found that the sonic line shape was noticeably distorted and that the separated free shear layer was turbulent under all conditions studied.

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## LIST OF SYMBOLS

A,B,C,D	Coefficients of a general partial differential equation
A	Area
a	Velocity of Sound
B	Expression defined by Equation 2
C	Crocco number; Variable defined by Equation (I-34)
$C_T$	Thrust coefficient
F	Variable defined by Equations (I-34a) and (I-37b)
f	An arbitrary function
$G_d$	Base bleed rate ( $\text{lb}_m/\text{sec}$ )
g	Gravitational Constant ( $32.178 \text{ lb}_m\text{-ft}/\text{lb}_f\text{-sec}^2$ )
h	Enthalpy
$I_1, I_2, J_1, J_2$	Integrals defined by Equations 3-6
K	Variable defined by Equation (I-35)
L	Plug length
M	Mach number
$\dot{m}$	Mass flow ( $\text{lb}_m/\text{sec}$ )
N	Recompression coefficient
n	Velocity profile power law exponent; direction normal to a streamline
P	Pressure
R	Radius
$R$	Gas constant ( $=53.3 \text{ lb}_f\text{-ft}/\text{lb}_m\text{-}^\circ\text{R}$ for air)
$R'$	Compressible divergence factor
r	Radius
s	Direction along a streamline

$\tilde{s}$	Entropy
T	Temperature
u	Velocity in x or X direction
V	Velocity
X,Y	Coordinates of the reference (inviscid) coordinate system
X',Y'	Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Coordinates
x,y	Coordinates of the intrinsic (viscous) coordinate system
$\beta$	Base temperature ratio ( $=T_{01}/T_b$ )
$\gamma$	Ratio of specific heats ( $=c_p/c_v$ )
$\delta$	Boundary layer thickness
$\delta^{**}$	Boundary layer momentum thickness
$\epsilon$	$= 0$ for planar flow; $= 1$ for axisymmetric flow
$\eta, \xi$	Distances along left-running and right-running characteristics, respectively
$\eta$	Dimensionless coordinate ( $=\sigma y/x$ )
$\theta$	Streamline angle
$\kappa$	Defined by Equation (18)
$\mathcal{H}$	Non-dimensional bleed number
$\Lambda$	Base stagnation temperature ratio ( $=T_{0b}/T_{01}$ )
$\mu$	Mach angle [ $= \sin^{-1} (1/M)$ ]
$\nu$	Prandtl-Meyer turn angle
$\rho$	Density
$\sigma$	Jet spread parameter
$\Phi$	Variable in the general partial differential equation
$\phi$	Velocity ratio ( $=u/u_a$ )

## Subscripts

1,2,3,4	Stations for the basic flow model
a	Conditions in the external stream adjacent to the mixing region; refers to ambient conditions
at	Atmospheric conditions
b	Conditions at the base of the plug
BL	Boundary layer
d	Streamline whose kinetic energy is just sufficient to enter the recompression region, diffuser, dew point temperature
ex	Exit conditions
inc	Incompressible value
i	Condition at the end of internal expansion
j	Condition along the jet boundary separating streamline
m	Coordinate shift in the mixing theory due to the momentum integral
max	Refers to a maximum value
ne	Nozzle exit
nt	Nozzle throat
o	Stagnation conditions
ol	Nozzle stagnation conditions
p	Refers to plug base
R	Condition along the R-streamline
r	Conditions at recompression
s	Sting
st	Second throat
sw	Sidewall
tc	Top contour
w	Wake

## Superscripts

—	Average value
'	Position of points on the hodograph plane



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## INTRODUCTION

### GENERAL REMARKS

Advanced rocket and air-breathing propulsion systems require exhaust nozzles that will perform efficiently over a wide range of ambient operating conditions. Furthermore, these exhaust nozzles should be short, lightweight, and relatively easy to cool. Analyses and tests have demonstrated that a group of nozzles referred to as altitude compensating nozzles satisfy these requirements. The expansion-deflection, truncated plug, and aerospike nozzles are included in this group. Although in the past, propulsion systems usually required axisymmetric exhaust nozzles, non-axisymmetric (e.g., planar or three-dimensional) exhaust nozzles appear attractive in some future rocket and hypersonic air-breathing propulsion systems under consideration.

A viscous separated flow region and wake within the nozzle flow field enables this type of nozzle to reduce over-expansion losses at low altitudes and to produce a significant portion of the total thrust during high altitude operation. To facilitate optimization of the design, accurate prediction of performance, and the design of altitude test facilities for this type of nozzle, it is desirable to calculate the entire nozzle flow field. This necessitates a calculation of the inviscid flow field and the viscous separated flow region and wake as well as the viscous boundary layer along contour walls. Although numerical calculation of inviscid flow fields using the method of characteristics and contour boundary layers using momentum and energy integral methods are common, an adequate method for including separated flow regions has not been established. The principal reason for this deficiency is a lack of understanding of the separated flow region submerged in the nonuniform nozzle flow field.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM

The truncated plug and expansion-deflection nozzles shown in Figs. 1 and 2 will be used in this discussion since they contain typical examples of a separated flow region within a nonuniform nozzle flow field. The similar nature of the separated flow regions in other altitude compensating nozzles and other aerodynamic problems is apparent.

At low values of chamber to ambient pressure ratio the separated flow region is "open" (i.e., sensitive to ambient conditions), and unsteady in nature as shown in Fig. 1. As the chamber to ambient pressure ratio increases the jet mixing region moves toward the nozzle axis until it "closes". The structure of the separated flow region is of particular interest after it "closes" since this represents design operating conditions. Although the base pressure and near wake have usually been assumed to be independent of ambient conditions when this region is "closed", recent data (Ref. 1) indicate that this is not always the case. These results suggest that the near wake is not "sealed off" at the neck but can be influenced by disturbances fed

upstream through this corridor even though the flow is slightly supersonic on the nozzle centerline. The portion of the trailing wake which can feed disturbances upstream is referred to by Lees (Ref. 2) as subcritical. The location downstream of the neck where disturbances can no longer be transmitted upstream (i.e., the change from subcritical to supercritical) could be an important consideration in the design of a diffuser system to test any nozzle with a wake of this type.

When the flow that has been accelerated in the contoured plug portion of the nozzle reaches the corner of the plug base, the viscous boundary layer negotiates the corner and then separates from the base (Ref. 3) while the adjacent supersonic flow over-expands and then recompresses through the lip shock which originates in the vicinity of the separation. The strength of the lip shock is a function of Mach number, Reynolds number and corner geometry. The result is a "semi-dead-air" or separated region in the middle of the nozzle flow field. This separation region is surrounded by the high velocity nozzle flow and may be completely laminar, completely turbulent or transitional (i.e., transition occurring downstream of the plug base). At the interface between these two portions of the nozzle flow field, there is a large velocity difference which produces a strong shearing action. As a result of this shearing action between adjacent fluid elements, the high velocity flow tends to entrain the gas from the separated or base region. The mechanisms involved in this entrainment process are similar to those experienced in an ejector, thus, the familiar term "pumping" is often used to describe the process.

The high velocity nozzle flow surrounding the separated base region attempts to "pump out" this region through the growth of a mixing or shear layer along the interface. This mixing layer grows in size as it progresses downstream from the edge of the base. At the separation point, its thickness is influenced by the size of the boundary layer on the plug wall and whether it is laminar or turbulent.\* As this mixing layer grows downstream it encounters some form of recompression region so that it eventually satisfies ambient conditions. When the separated flow region is "open", recompression usually takes place far downstream of the nozzle exit. However, when the separated flow region is "closed" the mixing layer approaches the nozzle axis and encounters a recompression region which is the result of a system of compression waves or shocks generated in the inviscid flow field. The shock system is necessary to turn the supersonic inviscid flow parallel to the axis after it has been accelerated toward the nozzle axis by the expansion about the corner of the plug base. The key to the determination of the base pressure lies in the behavior of the

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\* The delay of transition from laminar to turbulent flow and even reverse transition from turbulent to laminar flow may occur in the convergent section of a nozzle for low unit Reynolds numbers in the presence of wall cooling (Ref. 4). Since propulsive nozzles are frequently cooled cryogenically, laminar and transitional flow have recently become important and should be considered.

mixing layer in the presence of the high pressure recompression zone. As the mixing layer or shear flow approaches this high pressure region, it is decelerated accordingly. In fact, it will decelerate or be diffused until the static pressure in the shear flow layer nearly equals that behind the recompression zone. The type of velocity profile in the shear layer just before the recompression zone indicates that a significant portion of this layer has a relatively low velocity or kinetic energy. Since this portion of the shear layer does not have enough kinetic energy to get through the recompression region, it is recirculated back into the base region.

The separated flow regions described above may be further complicated when expansion and/or compression waves of the opposite family intercept the mixing and recompression regions. This situation frequently occurs in the truncated plug and aerospike nozzles and may occur in the E-D nozzle if the shroud contour is truncated or the plug is translated to off-design positions. The influence of base bleed is also important for this type of nozzle. The difficulties in analyzing the enclosed base region focus around the non-constant pressure jet mixing region and the recompression process at the end of the near wake, the subcritical nature of the trailing wake, and the possible intersection of these regions by expansion and compression waves.

#### SCOPE OF PRESENT WORK

The primary objective of this research was to obtain a better understanding of the characteristics of separated flow regions within altitude compensating nozzle flows in order to develop an analytical method of predicting these characteristics. As in all separated flow research, an experimental program was necessary to supply specific information and overall guidance for the analytical program.

In order to take full advantage of the flow visualization capabilities of the Notre Dame supersonic smoke tunnels (SST), the majority of the experiments were conducted with a planar truncated plug nozzle in this facility. Previous experiments with a planar expansion-deflection nozzle in the SST were also used. A smaller number of experiments were performed with an axisymmetric truncated plug nozzle in a blowdown nozzle thrust facility.

An iterative solution of the viscous separated flow region and the adjacent inviscid nonuniform flow was developed for both truncated plug and expansion-deflection nozzles. The separated flow region is determined by an integral method while the adjacent flow region is determined by the rotational method of characteristics. Parametric studies were made for several nozzle configurations. The parameters included: nozzle expansion ratio, the ratio of specific heats of the gas, base temperature ratio, base bleed ratio, and initial boundary layer thickness at the plug base.

## EXPERIMENTAL PHASE

Since analytical solutions to separated flow problems are at best very difficult, it is important that a reasonable number of definitive experiments precede any analytical effort. Consequently, the initial emphasis of this project was placed on the experimental phase. The altitude compensation characteristics of the plug nozzle were studied quantitatively from pressure measurements, etc., and qualitatively using several flow visualization techniques. Correlations of the measurements and visual flow patterns were made whenever possible.

### PLANAR TRUNCATED PLUG NOZZLE FACILITY

A schematic of the planar truncated plug nozzle test facility is shown in Fig. 3a and a photograph of the facility is presented in Fig. 3b. Basically the installation consists of a contraction section, a planar truncated plug nozzle section, and a diffuser section. Following is a detailed description of these major components and also an outline of the auxiliary equipment employed for data acquisition.

#### Contraction Section

The contraction section is rectangular and converges in both directions. It was fabricated from 1/16 inch galvanized sheet steel which was welded together to form the desired contour. To insure a low turbulence level, screens were designed with tapered frames to mate with and conform to the contour of the metal contraction section. These screens were attached to the inlet of the metal section. Of the total of ten screens, the first two are 16 mesh bronze and the remaining eight are 24 mesh Nylon Marquisette. The overall contraction in area from inlet to the screens to the nozzle throat is about 200:1.

#### Plug Nozzle Section

The plug nozzle section (Fig. 4) was designed to fit between the contraction section and the diffuser of the existing indraft wind tunnel. The width of the existing diffuser section was 4.953 inches and this criterion fixed the width of the nozzle section at the same dimension. Based on the available mass flow of about 3.2 lbm/sec., the geometric throat height on each side of the plug was set at 0.74 inches producing an aspect ratio for each throat of 6.69. The plug which was fabricated from lucite was designed for an isentropic expansion to Mach 2. The aft portion of the spike was removed producing a 16% length truncated plug (i.e., the distance from the geometric throat to the plug base was 16% of the total distance from the geometric throat to the tip of the isentropic spike, as shown in Fig. 5). The truncated plug could be used with either a solid base plate for base pressure measurement or base plates of various porosity for base bleed studies. The coordinates of the nozzle contour and plug are given in Tables I and II, respectively, and the origins used for the coordinate tabulations are



shown in Fig. 5.

The overall geometric nozzle expansion ratio,  $A_{ne}/A_{nt}$  was 1.957 and the plug base area ratio of the truncated plug,  $A_b/A_{nt}$ , was 0.531. The plug nozzle discharges into a rectangular diffuser duct,  $A_d/A_{nt} = 3.8$ , which forms the remainder of the nozzle test section. The top of the nozzle test section was instrumented with a total of 33 static pressure taps. An aluminum sidewall plate was equipped with a total of 32 static pressure taps on the sidewall centerline.

The relative locations of the pressure taps and the numbering system are shown in Fig. 6. Table III gives the coordinates of the top contour pressure taps and the coordinates of the sidewall centerline taps are given in Table IV. Also the solid base plate for the truncated plug was furnished with 5 static pressure taps.

In order to study the effect of a diffuser on the flow field, two movable  $10^\circ$  ramp diffuser blocks were constructed of aluminum (Fig. 4). The second-throat contraction ratio,  $A_{st}/A_d$  was 0.644.

#### Diffuser Section and Vacuum Pumps

The planar truncated plug nozzle test section was connected to a standard, diverging channel diffuser which led to three rotary vacuum pumps. Each pump was able to deliver 3130 cubic feet per minute at 18 inches of Hg vacuum. By using various combinations of pumps and by bleeding into the system it was possible to obtain data over a range of exit pressures (or, since the total pressure was fixed at atmospheric pressure, a range of overall nozzle pressure ratios).

#### Flow Visualization Equipment

A standard single-pass, parallel-light schlieren system utilizing two 6-inch diameter parabolic mirrors was used in this investigation. The parabolic mirrors had a focal length of approximately 48 inches and were located 11 feet apart on the optical axis of the system. The viewing screen was made from the back of an 8 x 10 inch camera and the system included a shutter to facilitate taking schlieren photographs.

The standard schlieren system was converted to an opaque stop system by replacing the slit source by a circular source and the knife edge by a small circular opaque stop. This system produces a schlieren picture where undeflected light (i.e., no density gradient) hits the opaque stop producing a black background and deflected light misses the stop and appears white in the picture. The advantage of this technique is that the system is sensitive to density gradients in all directions perpendicular to the optical axis instead of just one.

The smoke generator and smoke rake are shown in Fig. 3. Smoke is generated by dripping kerosene on to electric strip-heaters in each

of the four legs of the generator. This vaporized kerosene or "smoke" is forced to the smoke rake by a squirrel cage blower. By passing through a system of vertical pipes the smoke is cooled to room temperature. The smoke then passes through an absorbent cloth bag which absorbs any large droplets or condensate. Finally the smoke passes through one or more of the horizontal tubes whose outlets are placed flush with the anti-turbulence screen at the contraction section inlet. These tubes introduce the smoke into the test section at any desired location. Lighting is a critical factor in taking smoke pictures and the best results were usually obtained by aiming two high-spot flood lamps through the glass sidewall of the test section at an angle of  $45^{\circ}$  to the flow.

#### Base Bleed Apparatus and Miscellaneous Equipment

In order to investigate the effects of base bleed on the nozzle flow field a 1/16 inch thick stainless steel plate with a filtration grade of 100 microns was fitted to the base of the truncated plug. A cavity inside the plug was supplied with air at atmospheric pressure and the air was then drawn through the porous base plate by the low pressure on the plug base. The air flow through the base was measured with a Rockwell Roto-Seal Gas Meter which is a rotary type positive displacement meter. The amount of bleed flow was regulated with a gate valve in the supply line.

To measure the static pressure variation along the geometric center of the nozzle section a special sliding tube probe was constructed and is shown in Fig. 7. This probe consisted of a slotted hypotube attached to the plug base and extending downstream through the diffuser and then through the tunnel sidewall. A second movable hypotube with a static pressure orifice was contained within the first. The static pressure orifice could therefore be translated along the geometric center of the nozzle by sliding the inner hypotube.

Other equipment necessary for taking data included two ten tube mercury manometer banks for pressure measurement, a sling psychrometer for wet and dry bulb temperatures, a mercury barometer for atmospheric pressure and assorted cameras and photographic equipment.

#### Experimental Procedure

Before starting the discussion of the experimental results it would be instructive to briefly outline the methods used to obtain and reduce the data. The details of these procedures are presented below.

#### Data Reduction

The static pressure readings from the manometer photographs were punched onto computer cards using a Wayne-George X-Y Coordinate Converter. The data was reduced with the UNIVAC 1107 Digital Computer. All static pressures were normalized with the nozzle total pressure (atmospheric pressure) and plotted by a Cal-Comp plotter. This technique

provided data which had a maximum error on the order of 2%.

## DISCUSSION OF PLANAR NOZZLE RESULTS

The discussion of the experimental results will proceed in essentially two phases. The first phase will pertain to the general operating characteristics of the facility and the establishment of the conditions under which reliable data can be obtained. The second phase will concentrate on a presentation of the results which provided insight into the analytical calculation of the nozzle flow field.

### Water Vapor Condensation

Since the nozzle was supplied with air from the laboratory, and since no equipment was available to dry or heat the air, condensation of water vapor in the nozzle flow must be considered before interpreting the data. Static pressures including the base pressure can deviate substantially from their true values (Ref. 1) due to the effect of condensation. The base pressure ratio,  $P_b/P_{O1}$ , for various dew point temperature is presented in Fig. 8. These results show that  $P_b/P_{O1}$  remains constant up to a dew point of at least 30°F. Due to the degree of subcooling, condensation was present under all operating conditions. However, the data demonstrate that, up to a dew point of 30°F, the amount of water vapor in the air is small enough that it does not effect the results. The few values of  $P_b/P_{O1}$  above 30° indicate that, initially at least, the increase in base pressure with dew point is rather gradual. This information provides general guidelines as to when the effects of condensation must be considered. A more detailed discussion of this problem is given in Ref. 1.

### Operating Characteristics and Diffuser Effects

Before proceeding with a detailed discussion of the operating characteristics and diffuser effects, it would be helpful to compare the sidewall centerline static pressure distribution with the geometric center distribution as measured with the sliding tube probe. These data are presented in Fig. 9 for the "open wake" case, and in Fig. 10 for the "closed wake" case. The two sets of data show good agreement with the maximum deviation in the region of interest being less than 9%. The peak in  $P_{sw}/P_{O1}$  at about 2.25 inches in Fig. 10 is due to the fact that, although the wake is "closed", the ejector system is unstarted. The pressure peak results from the shock system just downstream of the recompression point in the "closed wake". This figure demonstrates the accuracy with which the sidewall static pressure taps are able to record static pressure distributions with significant gradients. It is, therefore, possible to proceed using the sidewall centerline static pressure distribution with the confidence that the trends will be accurately recorded and that the values will be within a small percent of the geometric center values.

The truncated plug nozzle test facility is basically an ejector-

diffuser configuration commonly used in altitude test facilities. (Ref. 5). In this type of facility it is extremely important to know the starting characteristics as represented in Fig. 11. This figure shows that the cell pressure ratio (point of measurement shown in Fig. 6) decreases with decreasing overall pressure ratio ( $P_{ex}/P_{01}$ ) until  $P_{ex}/P_{01} = 0.325$ . Further decreases in overall pressure ratio produce no change in the cell pressure. The pressure ratio at which the cell pressure first reaches its minimum value is the starting pressure ratio. As long as the over-all pressure ratio is at or below the starting pressure ratio, downstream pressure fluctuation cannot effect the nozzle flow field. The starting point for the configuration also establishes the altitude simulation limit since the minimum cell pressure represents the minimum ambient pressure that can be simulated in the ejector-diffuser system.

Figs. 12 and 13 show the variation in base pressure ratio versus the cell pressure ratio with no diffuser and with a diffuser respectively. Since the cell pressure is equivalent to the ambient operating pressure of the nozzle, Figs. 12 and 13 are representative of the nozzle operating characteristics. The presence of the diffuser does not appear to noticeably affect the "open wake" nozzle operation. Also, in both cases, with and without the diffuser, the wake "closes" at essentially the same cell pressure ratio. However the data indicates a 10% decrease in the "closed wake" base pressure with the diffuser present. This decrease may be caused in part by diffuser effects being transmitted upstream through the sidewall boundary layer.

Another feature of the base pressure characteristic data in Fig. 12 is the apparent instability at  $P_{cell}/P_{01} = 0.23$ . Schlieren observation of the flow field at this cell pressure ratio showed that the nozzle flow is indeed unstable at this point, switching alternately between the "open wake" and "closed wake" configurations. The instability is not clearly evident from the data in Fig. 13 taken with the diffuser in the tunnel. However, the general character of the data is essentially the same as the case without the diffuser. It seems reasonable that more detailed data would reveal the same unstable behavior.

The base pressure characteristics for the truncated plug nozzle with no diffuser and with a diffuser are presented in Figs. 14 and 15, respectively. Figs. 14 and 15 are representative of the ejector-diffuser system operation as opposed to the nozzle operating characteristics presented in Figs. 12 and 13. Comparison of these two figures indicates that the base pressure becomes insensitive to changes in  $P_{ex}/P_{01}$  at a higher overall pressure ratio with the diffuser than without. Also, as in Fig. 13, the value of the "closed wake" base pressure ratio is about 10% lower with the diffuser present. The data demonstrates, in addition, that the "open wake" operation is changed with the diffuser in the tunnel. The value of  $P_b/P_{01}$  for a given  $P_{ex}/P_{01}$  being lower with the diffuser present. The difference in base pressure ratio decreases as  $P_{ex}/P_{01}$  is increased. These diffuser effects on the ejector-diffuser operating characteristics are important in understanding the operation of ground test facilities, since most of these

installations employ some type of diffuser.

The effect of the diffuser on the sidewall centerline static pressure is presented in Figs. 16, 17, and 18. Two different "open wake" operating conditions are shown in Figs. 16 and 17 while Fig. 18 is for "closed wake" operation. In all three cases the largest deviation caused by the diffuser is in the far wake ( $X'$  greater than about 1 inch). However, there is also a noticeable change in the near wake static pressure distribution in all three cases with the greatest change being on the order of 5%. This variation may account for part of the decrease in base pressure caused by the diffuser.

The process of transition from "open wake" to "closed wake" operation of a truncated plug nozzle is very important for practical considerations. For example, the overall pressure ratio at which the base pressure reaches its minimum value is very important in performance calculations since, once this point is reached, it is then the difference between base and ambient pressure which determines whether the base pressure produces thrust or drag.

Fig. 19 presents a series of schlieren photographs showing the wake "closure" and the ejector-diffuser starting process. The small letters which label the individual pictures correspond to the labeled points on Fig. 12. For completeness the corresponding top contour and sidewall centerline static pressure distributions are presented in Figs. 20 through 25. The photographic sequence in Fig. 19 shows that in general the mechanism of transition from "open" to "closed" wake operation is a complicated process. The exact nature of this process is not well understood and is a function of the geometric and operating parameters of the nozzle.

As mentioned previously the ejector-diffuser starting process is important to the operation of altitude simulation facilities. Figs. 19e and 19f show the final stages of the starting process. In Fig. 19e the wake is "closed" but the system has not reached the starting pressure ratio. This is evidenced by the fact that the free shear layer emanating from the shroud tip is not attached to the duct wall. In Fig. 19f the free shear layer is attached to the duct wall and the system is started with the cell pressure at its minimum value.

### Lip Shock

The appearance of the lip shock or separation shock in separated base flow fields has been well documented by Hama (Ref. 3). If the lip shock is of sufficient strength it can have significant effects on the subsequent development of the free shear layer. In addition, it was shown in Ref. 3 that a strong lip shock could alter the recompression shock. In the schlieren photographs in Figs. 19e and 19f the lip shock is very faint. Also, the intersection of the lip shock with the recompression shock does not appear to produce any noticeable deflection of the recompression shock. In addition to the evidence

presented above, in a smoke-streamline (i.e., steady state streakline) photograph of the flow field (Fig. 26), the streamlines show no measurable deflection on passing through the lip shock. The verification of this smoke-line technique for steady flow has recently been documented at Notre Dame (Ref. 6). These observations, pertaining to lip shock strength, were found in both the truncated plug nozzle and expansion-deflection nozzle flow fields. It appears, therefore, that at least in the cases presented, the lip shock can be neglected in the analysis without serious effect on the results.

### Sonic Line Shape

For the analytical solution it is important to have information regarding the shape and location of the sonic line (actually a starting line with  $M > 1$  is needed for the method of characteristics) with respect to the throat region of the nozzle. In order to obtain this data, 10 static pressure taps were drilled in the aluminum sideplate on and either side of the geometric throat. Fig. 27 shows the location of these taps in the throat region of the truncated plug nozzle.

In Fig. 28 the results are presented in the form of an interpolated sonic line. Included in the figure is a tabulation of the Mach numbers obtained from the static pressure taps. To calculate the Mach numbers, the measured static pressure was divided by the nozzle total pressure (atmospheric) which was assumed constant up to the throat. The Mach numbers were calculated from the resultant pressure ratios with the use of standard isentropic relations. To obtain points on the sonic line, linear interpolation was used between known points. The sonic line points were plotted on a scale drawing (Fig. 28) which was 4 times actual size, and a curve was then faired through these points.

Although the interpolated sonic line appears to be quite close to the geometric throat, there is a noticeable distortion of the shape. This distortion is undoubtedly due to the fact that the expansion is centered at the shroud tip and the fact that the converging channel upstream of the geometric throat is not symmetrical. The combined effect of these two factors results in a nonuniform expansion of the flow across the channel. The distortion could also be the result of interpolation error because of the spacing of the taps.

### Turbulence Effects

In connection with the discussion of turbulence effects it would be instructive to explain some important observations which led to a change in geometry of the truncated plug nozzle before any of the data in this report were taken. The nozzle used in this investigation was designed for an isentropic expansion to Mach 2.0. However, with the plug in its original design position a series of  $\lambda$  shocks appeared on the plug upstream of the geometric throat. This indicated that the flow had become locally supersonic before the minimum area and

was compressing through a system of  $\lambda$  shocks because of the decreasing area. A saw tooth boundary layer trip was then placed on the leading edge of the plug to produce a turbulent boundary layer. The result was that the shocks were replaced with a single strong shock which appeared as a slightly curved normal shock. Following a discussion given by Schlichting (Ref. 7) on boundary layer, shock wave interaction, these observations would indicate that under normal operating conditions the boundary layer was laminar and that with the trip the plug boundary layer became turbulent. The plug was subsequently translated about 0.5 inches downstream and the  $\lambda$  shocks were eliminated.

To determine the effect of turbulence on the centerline static pressure distribution and the base pressure two methods were employed. The first was to put boundary layer trips (saw tooth) on the plug and contour surfaces and the second was to insert a 1/4 inch wire mesh at the inlet to the nozzle section to induce turbulence in the entire flow. The effect of the induced turbulence on the centerline static pressure distribution is shown in Fig. 29. The largest deviation in the near wake resulting from the turbulence appears in the data for the wire mesh where the largest change is on the order of 8%. The boundary layer trip does not appear to have affected the static pressure distribution in the near wake region. The data also seems to indicate a substantial turbulence effect in the far wake. However, the static pressure variation in this region is very sensitive to small changes in exit pressure, and since the data in Fig. 29 is from three separate runs with possible changes in  $P_{ex}/P_{01}$ , it is not possible to draw conclusions from the data in this region.

The variation in the base pressure demonstrated the same trends as did the centerline static pressure distribution in the near wake. With the wire mesh the base pressure was decreased by about 8%, whereas, with the boundary layer trip, the change in base pressure was within the experimental error. These results do not indicate a transition from laminar to turbulent flow in the free shear layer. Since the value of the base pressure is a strong function of the efficiency of the mixing in the shear layer, and since turbulent mixing rates are on the order of ten times greater than laminar mixing rates, a transition from a laminar to a turbulent shear layer would produce a much more drastic change in the base pressure than indicated above. On the basis of these facts it appears that in the undisturbed case the plug boundary layer is laminar and that transition occurs in the free shear layer a very short distance downstream of the corner, whereas in the case with induced turbulence, both the plug boundary layer and free shear layer are turbulent.

#### Base Bleed

The use of base bleed in truncated plug nozzles has several very important practical applications. It may be used to increase the base pressure under certain operating conditions and also it could be used as a possible means of cooling the plug.

Opaque-stop schlieren photographs of the planar truncated plug nozzle flow field are presented in Fig. 30 for operation with and without base bleed. Fig. 30b is the case for a bleed rate of 1.0% of the primary flow. It is clear from these photographs that even a small bleed rate produces a marked change in the visual flow pattern. The neck of the wake is noticeably thicker and the wake length appears to be slightly longer. Also the lip shock which is barely visible in the no bleed case has become clearly defined in the flow field with bleed. In addition to the apparent strengthening of the lip shock, its position has been changed. With no bleed it appears to be parallel to the nozzle centerline and rather straight. With base bleed the lip shock becomes curved and divergent from the centerline, intersecting the recompression shock further downstream. Another interesting feature of Fig. 30 is that base bleed has not significantly changed the location or shape of the recompression shock. It does, however, originate at a point further from the nozzle axis due to the widening of the wake.

Fig. 31 shows the effect of base bleed on the nozzle base pressure ratio. The base pressure increases with bleed rate as expected from physical considerations. The rate of increase of  $P_b/P_{O1}$  with increasing base bleed becomes quite small when the bleed rate reaches approximately 1%. Also from this figure it can be seen that, for a bleed rate of 1.0%,  $P_b/P_{O1}$  increased about 30% above the no bleed value demonstrating the effectiveness of base bleed for base pressure control.

The effect of base bleed on the centerline static pressure is presented in Fig. 32. The peak pressure on the centerline occurs at approximately the same location for the bleed rates shown, however, the magnitude of the peak pressure is substantially reduced. For the data with a base bleed of 1.0% the peak static pressure is reduced by about 18% from the no bleed value. The data of Fig. 32 also show that a short distance after the location of peak pressure all three curves merge and the effect of base bleed seems to be negligible. The downstream pressure rise for the no bleed case appears to be a result of exit pressure setting and not a base bleed effect. More data is needed to clarify this behavior.

#### DESCRIPTION OF AXISYMMETRIC NOZZLE THRUST FACILITY

The new University of Notre Dame Nozzle Thrust Facility (NTF) was designed to test conventional and unconventional nozzles with up to one square inch throat area and up to 100 pounds thrust. It is a blowdown type apparatus exhausting to the atmosphere. The nozzle total pressure can be varied from 20 psi to 150 psi allowing the testing of nozzles over a wide range of pressure ratios. The basic components of the system shown in Fig. 33 and described in detail below include: air compressor, storage tank, pressure regulator, orifice flow meter, thrust stand assembly, and instrumentation.



### Air Compressor

The air compressor, manufactured by the Gardner-Denver Company, is a 10 HP unit which is capable of delivering 22 SCFM at 250 psig. The air passes through an aftercooler and moisture separator having a constant drain. The compressor unit is also equipped with an oil vapor filter charged with activated alumina and an air dryer charged with a silica gel type desiccant. The dryer which supplies air at a dew point between  $-20^{\circ}\text{F}$  and  $-40^{\circ}\text{F}$  requires approximately three hours of regeneration for each eight hours of pump-up time. Regeneration is accomplished by heating the charge to between  $250^{\circ}$  and  $400^{\circ}\text{F}$  thereby driving the moisture from the silica gel. During regeneration a small amount of air is blown from the storage tank through the dryer to purge the moisture-laden air from the unit.

### Storage Tank, Pressure Regulator, Orifice Flow Meter

The 50 cu. ft. storage tank is an ASME coded pressure vessel designed for 265 psig at  $450^{\circ}\text{F}$  maximum and hydrostatically tested as per ASME code, Section VIII. Into one end of the tank a 6-inch schedule 40 pipe was inserted which contains a 200 pound thermal mass for temperature stabilization. The other end of the tank contains a 12 by 16 inch standard ASME code manhole for required inspection. The tank is bolted to two steel "I" beams mounted on the floor and the interior and exterior have been sand blasted and painted with one coat of zinc chromate. Also included with the tank is a 1/2 inch drain valve and a 265 psig. safety valve. Arrangements have been included for the purpose of manifolding two or more tanks together. The flow passes from the storage tank through a gate valve to a two-inch pilot operated regulator which is used to preset the nozzle total pressure prior to each run. Downstream of the regulator is an orifice flow meter permitting mass flow measurement.

### Thrust Stand Assembly

The thrust stand arrangement for the Nozzle Thrust Facility is shown in Fig. 33. This assembly rests on a steel plate which is welded to the storage tank. It consists of a stilling chamber which has internal dimensions of 3 inches in diameter by approximately 15 inches in length. This stilling chamber is constructed from a solid block of aluminum. It includes one perforated plate and four 30 mesh screens to straighten the flow before entering the nozzle which is attached to the end of the chamber. Air enters the stilling chamber from both sides through rigidly mounted pipe separated from the stilling chamber by flexible bellows. The bellows allow the stilling chamber to move axially for thrust measurement. Besides the bellows the chamber is attached to the mounting plate by four aluminum bars utilizing eight flexure hinges. A load cell, rated at 100 pounds nominal, is mounted rigidly to the thrust stand and connected to the stilling chamber by means of an aluminum relaxation flexure to minimize transmission of transverse loads. The load cell has been dead weight calibrated.

The results show that hysteresis is maintained to within  $\pm 0.5\%$ .

### Instrumentation

The NTF is equipped with a complete set of instrumentation, including storage tank pressure, stilling chamber preset pressure, and stilling chamber total pressure and temperature. The stilling chamber total pressure and temperature are measured downstream of the screens just before the nozzle entrance. Total temperature is measured with an iron constantan thermocouple. The pressure differential across the orifice flow meter is recorded with a Meriam well-type mercury manometer.

Instrumentation will be installed to measure nozzle contour static pressure and temperature when needed and nozzle total pressure profiles. Provisions can also be made to include pressure transducers into the various nozzle-diffuser configurations. The facility has also been designed to include a schlieren system for visual study of the external nozzle flow.

### Axisymmetric Truncated Plug Nozzle

An internal-external-expansion plug nozzle was designed for use with the NTF. This nozzle was designed for a Mach number of 1.90 based on the overall area ratio,  $A_{ex}/A_{nt}$ . The plug was conical in shape and converged toward the axis at an angle of  $10^\circ$ . The base diameter was 0.250 inches and the length of the plug from the throat was 0.660 inches, which represents a 48% truncated plug. Fig. 34 shows a schematic drawing of the nozzle. The plug is mounted to a webbed centerbody which is mounted to a buffer section. The tubing from the pressure taps in the plug exits from the NTF through this buffer section. The nozzle throat area was 0.33 square inches which permitted a running time of approximately thirty seconds without any loss in stagnation pressure. The shroud contour was cylindrical and extended a distance of 0.30 inches downstream from the throat.

### Experimental Procedure

Standard operating procedure for the NTF consisted of first pre-setting the desired nozzle total pressure with the regulator and then starting the nozzle flow. After allowing several seconds for the pressures in the system to stabilize, the data was recorded. The nozzle total pressure and temperature were read from standard gauges mounted on the NTF control panel. The base pressure was obtained from a 60" well-type mercury manometer. After the pressure data was read, shadow-graph pictures of the nozzle flow field were taken. This was accomplished by turning off all room lights and exposing a sheet of Kodak Royal Pan film with a single flash from a strob light which was mounted behind a pinhole. The pressure data was reduced using standard techniques.

## DISCUSSION OF AXISYMMETRIC NOZZLE RESULTS

The operating characteristics of the axisymmetric, internal-external-expansion truncated plug nozzle are shown in Fig. 35. With the exception of the jump in the data between  $P_{at}/P_{o1} \approx 0.35$  and  $P_{at}/P_{o1} \approx 0.31$ , these operating characteristics are typical for all altitude compensating nozzles. During "open wake" ( $P_{at}/P_{o1} > 0.16$ ) operation, the base pressure is essentially equal to the ambient pressure ( $P_{at}$ ) and the base pressure ratio,  $P_b/P_{o1}$  decreases as  $P_{at}/P_{o1}$  decreases. The trend continues until the jump in the data is approached. After the jump, the same trend is again continued until the wake "closes", after which the base pressure ratio remains constant with further decreases in  $P_{at}/P_{o1}$ .

A possible explanation for the jump in the data at  $P_{at}/P_{o1} \approx 0.35$  can be obtained from Fig. 36. This figure presents a series of shadowgraphs showing the development of the nozzle flow field. The letters identifying the photographs in Fig. 36 correspond to the labeled points in Fig. 35. The jump in the data occurs between Figs. 36b and 36c. In Fig. 36b, the oblique shock which is reflected from the plug surface intersects the free shear layer originating from the shroud tip and is reflected as an expansion which intersects the plug surface a short distance upstream of the base. In Fig. 36c, this reflected expansion does not intersect the plug but instead intersects the free shear layer downstream of the plug base. Apparently this expansion, shown in Fig. 36, accelerates the flow upstream of the base which results in a reduced base pressure as indicated in Fig. 35. Initially the base pressure ratio decreases at the same rate as  $P_{at}/P_{o1}$ . As the jump is approached, the upstream acceleration of the flow from the reflected expansion causes  $P_b/P_{o1}$  to decrease more rapidly than  $P_{at}/P_{o1}$ . Once the reflected expansion has moved downstream of the plug base as in Fig. 36c, the Mach number approaching the base would be lower resulting in a higher base pressure and thus producing the jump shown in Fig. 35. The axisymmetric data presented here is only preliminary and further investigations are necessary for deeper insight into the flow phenomena involved.

## ANALYTICAL PHASE

An analytical treatment of plug nozzle flows must contain all of the important flow components and allow for their interaction with each other. The total solution revolves around the analysis of the viscous near wake or base region within the almost inviscid external nozzle flow. Therefore, a near wake analysis which predicts the base pressure and shape of the near wake is necessary.

There have been several published attempts to calculate the pressure on an axisymmetric base in turbulent flow. A recent review of the pertinent base pressure techniques is given in Ref. 8. Almost all of these methods assume a uniform external flow approaching the base. It is apparent at the outset that, in the case of the plug nozzle flow field, the base region is enclosed in a nonuniform external flow field. Therefore, only a method which includes a complete calculation of the inviscid flow field adjacent to the base region will be able to handle the nonuniform plug nozzle case. The method used here is a further extension of the work of Mueller and Hall (Ref. 9).

Two types of plug nozzles were considered in this investigation. The expansion-deflection nozzle shown in Fig. 37a has the plug completely enclosed by the nozzle shroud. In Fig. 37b, the truncated plug nozzle configuration is shown in which the plug extends beyond the nozzle contour. For both nozzle configurations, the methods of solution are for the "closed" wake condition and are similar (although the boundary conditions are somewhat different). Once supersonic flow has been established, i.e.,  $M > 1$ , the governing equation for the inviscid flow becomes hyperbolic permitting a solution by a method of characteristics. The flow between the near wake and the external jet boundary emanating from the shroud is assumed to be inviscid, although it may be rotational. The recompression shock, for example, may produce an entropy gradient from streamline to streamline. Entropy gradients from any other source are not allowed. This rules out the use of the characteristics in a boundary layer, even though only the supersonic portion may be considered. The nozzle flow has been assumed to exhaust into a region in which the pressure remains constant. This corresponds to a nozzle exhausting into still air. Since the method of characteristics results from a hyperbolic partial differential equation, only the initial conditions and boundary conditions need to be specified. The solution proceeds downstream, and portions of the flow field which have already been determined cannot be affected by conditions downstream. However, a shock wave may intersect regions of characteristics which have been calculated.

The base pressure solution determines the lower boundary condition for the method of characteristics solution above the near wake. On the other hand, the method of characteristics provides the boundary conditions for the near wake analysis. The base pressure solution described below is iterative. Since this solution does provide a boundary condition for the method of characteristics, in effect, the

solution to the whole nozzle flow field after separation becomes iterative.

The shape of the base flow region downstream of the plug is determined by employing an extension of the flow model developed by Zumwalt (Refs. 10 & 11) and later modified by Mueller (Ref. 13 & 14). In addition to obtaining the plug base pressure, the general features of the entire nozzle flow field are obtained.

#### BASIC FLOW MODEL

The theoretical flow model used in conjunction with the restricted mixing theory of Korst (Ref. 14) and the rotational method of characteristics is shown in Fig. 38. An unrestricted mixing theory was developed to include the initial boundary layer. A complete derivation of the governing equations is presented in Appendix I and II. In this flow model, the flow is divided into three major components:

1. an inviscid free stream
2. a dissipative mixing layer, and
3. a base region.

In addition to using the restricted mixing theory of Korst, the following conditions are imposed on these three flow components:

- a) The initial condition in the throat of the nozzle may be either along a left-running characteristic (as in an E-D nozzle), along a right-running characteristic (as in a T-P nozzle), or along a non-characteristic line. The flow need not be uniform at this initial condition line, but must be supersonic. The external nozzle flow is calculated using rotational characteristics.
- b) The boundary layer approaching the separation corner is neglected, although fully turbulent mixing is assumed.
- c) An isentropic expansion takes place in the free stream from 1 to 2, i.e., a continuation of the method of characteristics for the flow over the plug. The effect of a lip shock is ignored in this analysis.
- d) The inviscid flow past a conetail using the rotational method of characteristics is utilized to define the pressure field impressed on the mixing region from (2) to (3). This conetail surface also serves as the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary".
- e) The pressure normal to the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary" is assumed to be constant within and near the mixing region at each cross section.

- f) Velocity profile similarity is assumed in the mixing region. The error function velocity distribution is located within the intrinsic coordinates  $x$ ,  $y$ , and is represented by  $X \approx x$  and  $Y = y - y_m(x)$  where  $y_m(0) = 0$ . This coordinate shift is a consequence of using the restricted mixing theory of Korst.
- g) The geometry of the mixing region is taken into account in the integral representation for momentum and mass flux between (2) and (3).
- h) Recompression is assumed to result from an oblique shock turn from (3) to (4) at an empirically determined trailing wake radius ratio. (Ref. 15).

A streamline,  $j$ , can be identified which divides the amount of mass passing over the corner at (1) from that mass flow entrained by the viscous action of the free jet mixing region. A second streamline,  $d$ , can be identified which has just sufficient kinetic energy at (3) to negotiate the pressure rise to (4). Streamlines below the  $d$ -streamline have lower kinetic energies and cannot pass through recompression, and are turned back to recirculate in the base region. If there is no base bleed, conservation of mass requires that the  $j$ - and the  $d$ -streamlines be identical. Korst distinguished between these two streamlines, and pictured the space between them as a sort of corridor through which mass could flow into or out of the base region.

The control volume between cross sections (2) and (3) is bounded by streamlines  $R$  and  $-R$  as shown in Fig. 38. The streamlines,  $R$  and  $-R$ , were defined by Zumwalt such that the cross sectional area normal to the direction of flow would remain nearly constant, and the PdA pressure force could be neglected in the momentum equation. For the simplified axisymmetric flow field described above, Zumwalt formulated the momentum equation in the axial direction using geometrical relations and the relation between the viscous and inviscid coordinate systems. This equation was solved simultaneously with the combined viscous and inviscid continuity equations written for the control volume between cross sections (2) and (3). For the error function velocity profile  $\phi = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \operatorname{erf}\eta)$ . Where  $\phi = u/u_a$  and  $\eta = \sigma y/x$ , it was found that  $\eta_R = 3$  was large enough for  $\phi_j$  to approach its asymptotic value. The result of this analysis is a nonlinear equation which allows one to locate the  $j$ -streamline at cross section (3), namely:

$$\{ (B-3)^2 + 2(1-C_{3a}^2) [I_1|_{-\infty}^3 - I_1|_{-\infty}^{\eta_j}] B - 2(1-C_{3a}^2) [J_1|_{-\infty}^3 - J_1|_{-\infty}^{\eta_j}] \}_{3a} = \left( \frac{\sigma r}{x \cos \theta} \right)_{3a} \quad (1)$$

where the integral limits refers to  $\eta$  values, and:

$$B = \frac{J_1|_{-\infty}^{\eta_j} [1 - (C_{3a}/C_{2a})] J_1|_{-\infty}^3 - (C_{3a}/C_{2a}) (J_1 - J_2)|_{-\infty}^3}{I_1|_{-\infty}^{\eta_j} [1 - (C_{3a}/C_{2a})] I_1|_{-\infty}^3 - (C_{3a}/C_{2a}) (I_1 - I_2)|_{-\infty}^3 + [(\gamma-1)/\gamma] (3/C_{2a} C_{3a}) [1 - (P_2/P_3)]} \quad (2)$$

where:

$$I_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi d\eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (3)$$

$$I_2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 d\eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (4)$$

$$J_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi \eta d\eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (5)$$

$$J_2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 \eta d\eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (6)$$

It should be noted that since these integrals are expressed only in terms of Crocco number,  $C$ , they are independent of the ratio of specific heats,  $\gamma$ , although Equation 1 is a function of  $\gamma$ .

It is evident that, in order to determine  $\phi_{j3}$  from Equations 1 and 2 for a given initial condition, the location of the recompression,  $\bar{r}_3/r_b$ , the corresponding inviscid condition  $M_{3a}$ , and the jet spread parameter,  $\sigma_{3a}$ , must be known. The location of the recompression point,  $\bar{r}_3/r_b$ , is determined from experimental data. The Mach number along the inviscid jet boundary at (3),  $M_{3a}$ , is determined from the axisymmetric rotational method of characteristics solution. The jet spread parameter is determined from the equation given by Channapragada (Ref. 16):

$$\sigma_{3a} = \{R' [1 + \beta(1 - C_{3a}^2)]\}^{-1} \sigma_{inc} \quad (7)$$

where  $\sigma_{inc} = 12.0$  for the error function velocity profile,  $\beta = T_{01}/T_b$  ( $\beta = 1.0$  for isoenergetic mixing considered here), and  $R'$  is the empirical compressible divergence factor defined by Channapragada as a function of the Crocco number.

The geometric parameter,  $(\frac{\sigma \bar{r}}{x \cos \theta})_{3a}^2$ , may be calculated since  $\theta_{3-4} = \theta_{1-2}$  from the conical wake assumption, and since:

$$\left[ \frac{\sigma \bar{r}}{x \cos \theta} \right]_{3a}^2 = \left[ \frac{\sigma \tan \theta}{1/(\bar{r}/r_b) - 1} \right]_{3a}^2 \quad (8)$$

At this point,  $\phi_{j3} = \phi_{d3}$  (i.e., no base bleed) may be obtained from Equations 1 and 2. Therefore,  $C_{d3} = \phi_{d3} C_{3a}$  for isoenergetic flow. However, the value of  $C_{d3}$  may also be obtained from the assumed isentropic recompression mechanism along the d-streamline (i.e.,  $P_{od3} = P_4$  from

$$C_{d3} = \left[ 1 - (P_4/P_3)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (9)$$

where  $P_4/P_3$  is the static pressure rise across the two-dimensional oblique shock which results from the turning of the flow with Mach number  $M_{3a}$  through the angle  $\theta_{3-4}$ . When the two values of  $C_{d3}$  are equal, then the assumed base pressure ratio is correct for the prescribed initial conditions and nozzle geometry. A typical solution curve is shown in Fig. 39. The values of  $C_{d3}$  resulting from the above equations are subtracted from each other such that the solution always occurs at zero.

As mentioned above, the method of characteristics is used to solve the supersonic inviscid (and possibly rotational) portion of the plug nozzle flow field. Fig. 37 shows the extent of this part of the nozzle flow field as applied to the expansion-deflection and truncated plug nozzles. In both configurations, the characteristics solution begins at the initial characteristic line, and may extend beyond the recompression shock. The upper boundary is the nozzle shroud contour (E-D nozzle) or a constant pressure boundary with a pressure equal to the outside (or ambient) pressure. The lower portion of the flow fields terminate on the plug contour, the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary", and finally, the trailing far wake. The trailing wake boundary corresponds to a cylindrical wake with zero streamline angle at its outer edge.

The actual calculation procedure for the method of characteristics is generally straightforward, but the interior flow field points and the boundary points must be distinguished. For an interior point, two upstream points combine to determine the location and conditions at a third point further downstream. This is shown schematically in Fig. 40a. The right-running characteristic from point 1 and the left-running characteristic from point 2 intersect, thus locating point 3 in the flow field. Then the additional variables (streamline angle, Mach number, and entropy) are determined iteratively.

For a solid surface (Fig. 40b), point 1 and the physical boundary combine to locate point 3. The intersection of the right-running characteristic from point 1 and the surface locate the new point. On a prescribed solid surface, the streamline angle is known (or may easily be calculated from the geometry). Thus, it is necessary to iterate



only the Mach number at that point. It should also be noted that, since the solid boundary corresponds to a streamline, the entropy at point 3 is the same as that at any other upstream point on the body surface.

The third type of boundary condition is that of a constant pressure boundary (Fig. 40c). For no shock wave intersections, this implies a constant Mach number on this type of surface. Locating point 3 and determining the flow properties, except entropy, becomes iterative. A first estimate is made on the location by a linear extrapolation from the previous boundary point. The location is then modified accordingly by appropriate averaging of the streamline angles.

The method of characteristics may also be used to locate an oblique shock within the flow field. A characteristic is an infinitesimally weak wave. A shock, on the other hand, may be regarded as a "piling up" of characteristic waves resulting in a coalesced wave which can no longer be regarded as weak. This is illustrated schematically in Fig. 41a. The solution across a shock wave is not hyperbolic, and cannot be treated directly by the method of characteristics. Constructing a shock wave in a characteristic regime becomes an iterative process. Upstream of a shock wave, conditions are known from the method of characteristics. Although the method of characteristics solution is not valid through a shock wave, the characteristics may be continued again downstream of the shock wave. Behind a shock, the left-running waves from a point are always steeper than the shock resulting in further intersections of the characteristic and the shock (see Fig. 41a). Thus conditions are available on the downstream side of the shock wave. The shock wave cubic equation (Ref. 17) provides a supplemental solution across a shock wave which has as its independent variable, the shock wave angle. Thus, when the values of streamline angle and Mach number behind the shock obtained from the characteristics downstream of the shock, and the same variables obtained from the shock wave cubic equation agree, then the shock wave angle is correct for that point. This situation is illustrated in Fig. 41b. It should be noted that the conditions upstream of the shock remain unchanged.

The method of characteristics solution begins near the throat region where the flow is supersonic. This solution is not applicable to subsonic or sonic flows. A complete derivation of a general method of characteristics solution and a derivation of the axisymmetric method of characteristics (rotational) is presented in Appendix I.

#### EXTENSIONS TO BASIC FLOW MODEL

In order to cover a more complete scope of the parameters involved in studying plug nozzle flow fields, certain extensions of the basic flow model must be made. These include the effects of non-isoenergetic mixing, base bleed, and initial turbulent boundary layers.

### Non-Isoenergetic Mixing

The value of  $T_b/T_{o1} = 1$  represents the isoenergetic mixing solution, while values not equal to unity imply non-isoenergetic mixing. Non-isoenergetic mixing, therefore, means that the stagnation temperature in the base region differs from that of the adjacent inviscid flow, i.e.:

$$\Lambda = T_{ob}/T_{o1} \neq 1 \quad (10)$$

or in terms of the actual base temperature and velocity ratio, this becomes:

$$\Lambda = \frac{T_b}{T_{o1}} + (1 - \frac{T_b}{T_o})\phi \quad (11)$$

The base pressure solution for non-isoenergetic mixing requires two modifications in the equations described in the previous section. The first concerns the integrals  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ ,  $J_1$ , and  $J_2$  which are found in the lengthy integral equation used in locating the  $j$ -streamline (Equation 1). These integrals (Equations 3-6) now become (Ref. 18):

$$I_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi d\eta}{\Lambda - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi d\eta}{\phi + T_b/T_{o1} (1-\phi) - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (12)$$

$$I_2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 d\eta}{\Lambda - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 d\eta}{\phi + T_b/T_{o1} (1-\phi) - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (13)$$

$$J_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi \eta d\eta}{\Lambda - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi \eta d\eta}{\phi + T_b/T_{o1} (1-\phi) - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (14)$$

$$J_2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 \eta d\eta}{\Lambda - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\eta} \frac{\phi^2 \eta d\eta}{\phi + T_b/T_{o1} (1-\phi) - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \quad (15)$$

The temperature ratio originally arises from the density ratio term normal to the mixing region (see Appendix II). It should be noted that for isoenergetic mixing,  $T_{ob}/T_{o1} = T_b/T_{o1} = 1$ , then Equations 12-15 again are identical to Equations 3-6.

The second change required in discussing non-isoenergetic mixing is that of calculating the Crocco number on the  $d$ -streamline. The

expression for  $C_{d3}$  now becomes:

$$C_{d3} = \frac{C_{3a} \phi_{j3}}{\left[ \frac{T_b}{T_{01}} + \left(1 - \frac{T_b}{T_{01}}\right) \phi_{j3} \right]^{1/2}} \quad (16)$$

This value of  $C_{d3}$  is then compared with that obtained from Equation 9, and when these two values agree, then the assumed base pressure ratio is correct.

### Base Bleed

In discussing base flows in which base bleed (i.e., mass addition) is present, modifications of the original flow model must be made. These additional assumptions include:

- a) The amount of mass addition is small
- b) The momentum associated with this mass addition is negligible
- c) For steady mass bleed cases, some amount of mass will be pumped into or out of the base region through the mixing region between the j- and d-streamlines.

The analysis of base bleed is that of Zumwalt and Tang, (Ref. 11), and a brief outline of the governing equations is presented below. Their analysis is valid for an axisymmetric flow, and is an extension of the planar flow model developed by Korst, et al (Ref. 14). For planar flows, the techniques described in Ref. 14 were used, but are not repeated in this report.

In terms of the locations of the j- and d-streamlines for axisymmetric configurations, the mass flow between them may be expressed as:

$$G_d = \frac{\pi r^2}{4} \frac{K P_{01} \cot \theta}{\sigma_{3a}^2 \sqrt{T_0} \sin \theta} \frac{(1 - r_w)^2}{r_b} \left[ (J_{1d} - J_{1j}) - B(I_{1d} - I_{1j}) \right] \quad 3a \quad (17)$$

where the integrals  $I_1$  and  $J_1$  refer to the integrals described by Equations 12 and 14. The additional subscript refers to the specific values of  $\eta$  in the upper limit of the integrals. The value of B is determined from Equation 2, and )K is defined as:

$$K = \frac{8 \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} (1 - C_{3a}^2)}{(A_{3a}/A_{nt}) \sqrt{\frac{R}{g\gamma}}} \quad (18)$$

A non-dimensional bleed number,  $\mathcal{H}$ , may also be defined which relates the amount of bleed to the adjacent flow stagnation conditions:

$$\mathcal{H} \equiv \frac{G_d T_{01}}{A_b P_{01}} \sqrt{\frac{R}{g\gamma}} \quad (19)$$

where  $A_p$  is the base area of the plug. Therefore, Equation 19 becomes:

$$\chi = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{R}{gY}} \kappa \cot \theta}{4\sigma_{3a}^2 \sin \theta} \left(1 - \frac{r_w}{r_b}\right)^2 \left[ (J_{1d} - J_{1j})^{-B(I_{1d} - I_{1j})} \right]_{3a} \quad (20)$$

This equation, incidentally, was incorrect in Ref. 11; the integer "4" was missing in the denominator.

Conservation of mass requires that the known mass bleed through the base equal that mass which is entering or exiting between the j- and d-streamlines in the mixing region. Thus, when this condition is achieved (the non-dimensional bleed numbers being identical in magnitude, but opposite in sign), the assumed base pressure ratio is the correct one corresponding to that bleed rate. That is, a solution is reached when:

$$\chi(\chi)' = -1.00 \quad (21)$$

where  $\chi'$  is the mass bleed rate through the plug base. The minus sign in this solution shows direction, i.e., mass flow into the base region is positive in sign, while flow out of the base region is negative.

The solution curve for nozzles with base bleed differs from the solution curve of the no-bleed case shown in Fig. 39. Fig. 42 shows a typical solution curve for a nozzle with base bleed into the near wake region. It is noted that this curve has the general shape of a hyperbola with one asymptote at  $\chi(\chi)' = +1.00$ . The second asymptote is located at the value of the base pressure for which there is no base bleed, i.e., the d-streamline is identical to the j-streamline. For increased bleed rates, the curve "flattens out", thus raising the solution to a higher value of the base pressure ratio. For planar base bleed flows, the solution curve shown in Fig. 42 is "well-behaved" in that the general hyperbolic shape is preserved at all values of the base pressure. However, with axisymmetric configurations, the solution curve may become quite erratic at values of the base pressure not in the vicinity of the solution. Near the solution, the curve does maintain its general hyperbolic shape. This instability is a result of the coupled effects of the nonuniform flow, the variation of the wake radius ratio, and the value of the Mach number at recompression. The value of B described by Equation 2, appears to control this variation of the curve from the norm.

#### Initial Boundary Layer

In any moving viscous fluid, a boundary layer is present along a solid surface. In plug nozzles the turbulent boundary layer on the plug upstream of separation may have a very significant effect on the remainder of the flow field. In particular, the near wake base pressure solution is affected. One technique for handling such an initial boundary layer is to treat this situation as an equivalent base bleed,

(Refs. 18, 19, 20) To justify this approach, the flow model used in this analysis must be considered. The j-streamline in the mixing solution separates the fluid which originally passes over the plug from that fluid entrained from the near wake. The d-streamline becomes displaced from the j-streamline by a distance which is a direct function of the mass bleed rate. (For no mass bleed, the j- and the d-streamlines are coincident). This separation of the j- and d-streamlines results in a shift of the velocity profile in the near wake region. The existence of a finite boundary layer at the plug tip also produces a shift in the velocity profile in this region. Both the boundary layer and the base bleed may be combined into a "displacement parameter", (Ref. 18), whereby the effect of an initial turbulent boundary layer on the mixing profile is identical to that of base bleed. The actual amount of equivalent base bleed due to the finite boundary layer,  $\dot{m}_{BL}$ , may be expressed as:

$$\dot{m}_{BL} = 2 \rho_1 u_1 \delta^{**} (\pi r_{BL})^\epsilon \quad (22)$$

where  $\rho_1$  is the density of the flow immediately adjacent to the boundary layer. For this flow  $u_1$  is the velocity, and  $\delta^{**}$  is the momentum thickness of the boundary layer;  $r_{BL}$  is the average radius of the boundary layer, while  $\epsilon = 0$  for planar flow and  $\epsilon = 1$  for axisymmetric configurations. It should be noted that the coefficient 2 is present for both axisymmetric and planar geometries. In planar flow a boundary layer occurs on both sides of the plug; for axisymmetric flows the coefficient is then incorporated into the circumference term.

In this analysis, the approaching boundary layer profile has been assumed to take the form of a power law profile, i.e.:

$$u/u_1 = (y/\delta)^{1/n} \quad (23)$$

where  $1/n$  is the power law profile exponent. The value of  $n$  may be chosen, and need not be restricted to any particular value (e.g., seven). This method was employed because the exponent is a function of Reynolds number and the nozzle geometry (Ref. 21). For two nozzles which are geometrically similar, but differ in size, the velocity profile exponent may vary somewhat.

#### EMPIRICAL INPUTS

Although the analysis used in this report does have a strong theoretical foundation, empirical or semi-empirical inputs are still required. A lack of knowledge and understanding of certain facets of the flow necessitate these inputs. These include, for example, the mechanism of recompression and the concept of turbulent mixing. Other inputs may be significant when considering the accuracy of a solution. The number of characteristic points in a flow field is an example of this type of input. These inputs are described in the sections below.

### Jet Spread Parameter

In order to use the analysis developed by Mueller (Ref. 13), it is necessary to specify the jet spread parameter,  $\sigma_{3a}$ , which describes the rate at which the width of the shear layer is changing in the stream-wise direction. This jet spread parameter has been investigated by many authors and is generally based on empirical or semi-empirical formulations. Throughout this analysis, the jet spread parameter obtained by Channapragada (i.e., Equation 7) was used for axisymmetric flows. For planar flows, the formulation of the jet spread parameter of Korst (Ref. 14) was employed, namely:

$$\sigma = 12.0 + 2.758M \quad (24)$$

### Wake Radius Ratio

Another empirical variable which must be incorporated into the near wake solution is the wake radius ratio,  $r_w/r_b$ . This locates the point in the flow field at which recompression is assumed to occur. A study was made to determine the sensitivity of the base pressure to this parameter. Fig. 43 shows the plot of the results of this investigation. The curve shown here is for an axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle ( $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 5.602$ ,  $A_b/A_{nt} = 2.448$ ).

Zumwalt (Ref. 10) assumed that the base pressure for cylindrical bodies in a uniform flow should increase with decreasing wake radius ratio until a value of approximately  $r_w/r_b = 0.50$ . He compared the wake radius to a solid sting support, and then assumed that as the sting radius approaches zero, the base pressure would remain constant. He further stated that below a wake radius ratio of about 0.50, the base pressure experienced little change. At wake radius ratios less than that at the peak of the curve, a large divergence in the base pressure occurs between Zumwalt's assumption and the actual calculated base pressure. This large difference in the base pressure results from the analytic solution which "forces" the flow to recompress at the particular wake radius ratio. In the physical flow, merely decreasing a solid sting radius does not insure that recompression will occur at that decreased radius. The actual wake radius ratio does, however, occur in the vicinity of the peak of the base pressure curve (Ref. 12) in Fig. 43.

From the shape of the curve in Fig. 43, it is apparent that the solution of the near wake is sensitive to this empirical parameter. Zumwalt and Tang (Ref. 11) have proposed a base bleed flow model which takes into account the variation of the wake radius ratio with the nondimensional bleed number,  $\beta$ . However, due to an algebraic error, their formulation of the wake radius ratio results in values which are too large. The actual wake radius ratio,  $r_w/r_b$ , may be related to Zumwalt and Tang's value,  $(r_w/r_b)_{ZT}$ , by:

$$r_w/r_b = 2(r_w/r_b)_{ZT} - 1.0 \quad (25)$$

This result was obtained from an algebraic manipulation of the correct and incorrect version of Equation 20. All values of the integrals, Crocco number, and jet spread parameter were assumed identical in both equations. For the no-bleed case their assumed value of the wake radius ratio of approximately 0.67 should be about 0.34 instead. This latter value of the wake radius ratio, in addition to being consistent with the flow model, appears to be much closer to the observed values measured from schlieren photographs.

The base pressure trends with base bleed shown in Ref. 11 appear correct. However, the actual numerical values of the wake radius ratio with base bleed are incorrect. This occurs because the Mach number at recompression,  $M_{3a}$ , is determined semi-empirically from available method of characteristics solutions, and is a strong function of the wake radius ratio, i.e.:

$$M_{3a} = M_{2a} e^{-0.209(1 - r_w/r_b)} \quad (\text{for } \gamma = 1.40) \quad (26)$$

The base pressure solution, in turn, is highly dependent upon this value of  $M_{3a}$ .

These authors (Ref. 11) argue that the wake radius ratio versus  $M$  curve may be valid over a large range of Mach numbers, because of the appropriate non-dimensionalization of the base bleed rate. This concept for no base bleed has been retained, i.e.,  $r_w/r_b = 0.350$  for all axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle configurations. It should be noted that the validity of this premise may be questionable for highly nonuniform flows and/or for large plug angles. A justification for retaining this concept for all nozzle configurations is demonstrated in Fig. 44. This figure shows the pressure variation along the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary". A Mach number increase is noted immediately downstream of separation followed by a region of rising pressure (Mach number decrease). For the curve corresponding to zero base bleed, recompression occurs at a wake radius ratio of 0.350. This results in an additional pressure rise across the recompression shock. For the curve in which base bleed is present, the solution was extended so that recompression also occurred at a wake radius ratio of 0.350. For this curve the pressure again decreases immediately after separation and then begins to rise. At about the same axial distance from the base that recompression occurred for the no-bleed case, the pressures and corresponding Mach numbers for the two cases shown appear relatively close. Slightly downstream from this location, however, the Mach number again begins to increase. This results in a corresponding pressure drop. In fact, the pressure falls below the base pressure, indicating that  $M_{3a}/M_{2a} > 1$ . A pressure rise then takes place again as the flow passes through the recompression shock. This particular analytical phenomenon (i.e., the Mach number increase after the pressure rise) is not encountered experimentally, (Refs. 12 & 22). Therefore, a modified wake radius ratio at recompression must be incorporated.

It is noted experimentally for non-zero bleed rates that the wake radius ratio increases noticeably with increasing bleed. In this case the recompression point is shifted downstream. Fig. 30 illustrates this situation for a planar truncated plug nozzle. In Fig. 30a there is no base bleed, while in Fig. 30b mass is emanating from the plug base ( $\beta = 0.0120$ ). As may readily be observed, the base bleed increases the wake radius at recompression (assumed to be  $r_w$ ), and the axial point at which recompression occurs has shifted slightly downstream. The most interesting feature of these photographs is the shape of the recompression shock above the recompression point. In this region the shock shapes for both cases nearly coincide. Although, admittedly, this observation is based on a limited amount of experimental data, a formulation of an empirical wake radius ratio was made on this basis.

A solution is first obtained for the no-bleed case, and a line is constructed perpendicular to the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary" at the recompression point. The intersection of this line and a new "corresponding inviscid jet boundary" obtained from a different base pressure establishes a wake radius ratio. This is illustrated in Fig. 45. This new wake radius ratio is then a function of the change in base pressure due to base bleed. This formulation has the feature that both the increase in the wake radius ratio and the movement of the recompression points are retained for a given base bleed rate.

#### Recompression Coefficient

One of the more controversial empirical constants which has been used by some authors in the base pressure near wake solution is the recompression coefficient,  $N$ . In the original analysis by Korst (Ref. 14) and Zumwalt (Ref. 10), recompression was assumed to occur at the peak pressure. Nash (Ref. 23) stated, however, that recompression along the dividing streamline would occur at only a fraction of this peak pressure. In this case, rather significant changes in the base pressure solution would occur. Fig. 46 demonstrates the effect that the recompression coefficient has on the calculated base pressure. The nozzle used in this investigation is a planar expansion-deflection nozzle with  $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 2.007$  and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 0.833$ . A considerable decrease in the base pressure occurs as the recompression coefficient decreases from unity. For example, the base pressure ratio decreases from 0.1482 when  $N = 1.00$  to a value of 0.0865 at  $N = 0.670$ , a decrease in the base pressure of 41%.

It can be argued (Ref. 24) that the use of the recompression coefficient may be unnecessary since the flow model itself is only an approximation (and definitely a simplification) of the actual mixing mechanism. Cancellation of errors often results due to some of the assumptions (e.g., isentropic recompression along the dividing streamline, and zero pressure gradient in the  $y$ -direction). Much data supports the use of a recompression coefficient, and an even greater amount shows that it is unnecessary. Should the use of the recompression coefficient



be unnecessary, the situation would be improved, for the reliance on another empirical parameter would be eliminated. In all subsequent calculations in this report, the recompression coefficient has been assumed to be unity, i.e., recompression occurs at the peak pressure downstream of the recompression shock.

#### Mesh Size Comparison

The ability to obtain a rapid, yet accurate, solution of a prescribed flow field was of primary concern. Therefore, a study was made to determine the effect of varying the initial characteristic grid spacing. Results of this comparison are shown in Fig. 47. Fig. 47a shows the flow field of a planar expansion-deflection nozzle whose flow field was calculated with 20 characteristic grid points in the vertical direction. Fig. 47b shows the same nozzle configuration, except that the number of vertical grid points used in this case was 40. A visual comparison of these two flow fields shows negligible changes in the streamline shapes. The recompression shock in both figures does, however, show a very slight deviation. Numerical comparisons of common points within the flow field also demonstrate good agreement. For example, the Mach number just upstream of the recompression shock along the "corresponding inviscid jet boundary" is 1.9084 in the 20-grid system, while it is 1.9027 in the 40-grid spacing system. The percent difference in the Mach number at this point is less than 0.3%. Other comparisons made throughout the flow field indicate less than 1 percent difference for all variables.

Because of these minimal differences in the flow field variables, confidence was placed in the results obtained using a lower number of characteristic grid points in the vertical direction. In most configurations which were investigated, a nominal value of 32 grid spacings were used. This provided sufficient accuracy in the calculation of all variables, and permitted reasonably rapid computer execution times. It should be noted that a maximum number of 40 points to a minimum of 20 points could be used. The upper limit was established by the storage limitations of the computer, while the lower limit was prescribed to permit accurate solutions in the vicinity of sharp corners (e.g., the plug tip and the shroud contour exit).

#### DISCUSSION OF ANALYTICAL RESULTS

A complete study of the parameters involved in plug nozzle configurations could easily approach momentous proportions. From a purely geometrical standpoint, there are an infinite number of plug nozzle geometries. It was necessary to limit most of the parameters to one or two nozzle configurations operating in the same environment. The numerical values of the results which were obtained should not be regarded as absolute for all nozzles of the same configuration. Instead, trends should be evaluated as one parameter is varied.

## Initial Throat Conditions

The method of characteristics solution cannot compute the subsonic or sonic portions of plug nozzle flow fields. Therefore, a supersonic starting line must be determined which forms the initial boundary conditions for the method of characteristics. The characteristics downstream of this line may vary considerably depending upon the initial line's shape and the variation of the flow properties along it. Since the base pressure solution is a direct function of the method of characteristics solution, the base pressure cannot remain unaffected by changes in the shape of the sonic line.

Fig. 48 pictures the calculated flow fields of a hypothetical axisymmetric internal-external-expansion nozzle ( $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 9.2571$ , and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 2.8571$ ). The only variable in these figures is the shape of the sonic line. Fig. 48a was obtained with "uniform" initial conditions. At  $x/r_p = 0$ , the Mach number was assumed to be 1.050, and the initial line was vertical. The streamline angle varied linearly from  $-7.97^\circ$  on the plug surface to  $0^\circ$  on the shroud contour surface. The base pressure ratio,  $P_b/P_{O1}$ , for this initial condition was 0.005144.

Fig. 48b shows the same nozzle configuration using a parabolic initial profile. The plot of the flow field shows a negligible change from the uniform profile initial conditions. The initial Mach number for the parabolic profile was 1.050, and the streamline angle varied linearly as in the previous case. The two end points of the initial line (the plug point and the shroud contour point) again have their locations at  $x/r_p = 0$ . The center point, however, is located at an axial distance of  $x/r_p = 0.010$ . It should be noted that the total height of the initial line at  $x/r_p = 0$  is 0.100. The base pressure ratio for the parabolic initial profile is  $P_b/P_{O1} = 0.005124$ . At least for this nozzle configuration with the parabolic starting line described above, only a small change in the base pressure is noted.

The effects of a linear profile are presented in the flow field shown in Fig. 48c. The starting Mach number was again 1.050, and the streamline angle varied linearly between end points. The lower end point on the plug was located at  $x/r_p = 0$ , while the upper end point was positioned at  $x/r_p = 0.020$ . The base pressure ratio for this case has dropped significantly. Its value is now  $P_b/P_{O1} = 0.004382$ , a decrease of almost 15% in the base pressure from the uniform case. However, the actual changes in the flow field adjacent to the near wake region appear small despite the rather large change in the base pressure. Recompression is moved slightly upstream due to the change in the base pressure, but the streamline patterns indicate that the remainder of the flow field appears almost unchanged. In addition, the recompression shock shapes do not vary appreciably.

The final shape which was investigated was the circular arc initial profile. The initial Mach number and streamline angles were determined as in the previous cases. A starting line was constructed

such that an arc was perpendicular to both the plug surface and the shroud contour surface. This initial profile produced the flow field shown in Fig. 48d. Again the flow field external to the near wake region remains relatively unchanged from the previous cases. The base pressure for this starting condition shows an increase over the uniform profile condition of Fig. 48a. For this case,  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.005673$ . In all cases described above the base pressure changes can be attributed to the nonuniformity of the flow caused by the initial throat conditions. A large amount of finite difference numerical analysis has recently been done in an attempt to calculate the sonic line for nozzles with centerbodies. (Ref. 25). The steady compressible flow of an inviscid fluid through a converging-diverging two-dimensional planar duct with an arbitrarily shaped centerbody was treated using the time-dependent finite difference equations. The arbitrary shape of the duct and centerbody was transformed onto a normal flow plane in which the steady state solution was obtained as an asymptotic finite difference solution. An incompressible solution was obtained analytically using a geometric transformation and compared with the compressible solution for cases where low velocities were obtained throughout the duct. Inviscid compressible solutions were obtained for various converging-diverging geometries both with and without centerbodies. These solutions covered the compressible range of velocities up to and including transonic. The converged inviscid solution was then used as an initial approximation for the solution of the viscous Navier-Stokes equations in the transformed plane.

The resulting viscous flow solution obtained by using the converged inviscid solution as an initial condition gave good correlation with experimental results in the throat region for a Foelsch nozzle with a large centerbody. Both the experimental data and numerical solutions tend to indicate that in the throat region the higher Mach number occurs near the large centerbody rather than along the outer contour as found from the inviscid solution for the same case. This demonstrated the necessity for investigating the viscous effects in the throat region of compressible nozzles. Although the results have been very encouraging, more work of this type will have to be done before a practical procedure for determining sonic lines will be available.

#### Shroud Contour Truncation

The results of truncating the shroud of an E-D nozzle contour are presented in Fig. 49. In these plots the ambient pressure remained constant at  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.01020$ , while the nozzle shroud was truncated. Fig. 49a presents the full shroud contour ( $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 5.602$ ). The flow at the end of the shroud undergoes a mild expansion and adjusts rapidly to the ambient conditions. In Fig. 49b the exit area ratio is now 5.580, a reduction in exit area of only 0.39%. A significant change in the flow field is noted. A more noticeable expansion to ambient conditions is detected at the shroud tip. This occurs because the Mach number at the end of the shroud is lower; therefore, a larger change in the streamline angle is required to adjust to the ambient pressure.

A variation in the streamline patterns is also evident. The streamline closest to the near wake remains unchanged, but the next streamline experiences some deviation at approximately  $x/r_b = 4.5$ . The effects of the expansion have penetrated into the flow field, and give this streamline (and the streamline above it) its additional curvature. The shape of the recompression shock has also been altered slightly. The lower half of the shock remains unaffected, but the upper half becomes somewhat shallower than in the previous configuration.

In Fig. 49c the contour has been further truncated so that  $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 5.513$ , a decrease in exit area of 1.59% from the design conditions. The expansion at the shroud tip becomes more pronounced, since the exit Mach number at this point has decreased still further. The streamlines, in turn, reflect the degree of influence of the truncation; the recompression shock shape has been altered significantly. The shock appears nearly straight; however, the initial shock angle at recompression is the same as the previous two cases. This observation is significant because the base pressure for all three cases remains unchanged. The effects of the shroud contour truncation have not yet been felt in the near wake region. Because of the analytical base pressure solution is a function of only conditions up to and including recompression, the base pressure remains constant. Although the analysis does predict a constant base pressure for the cases described above, this result may not hold experimentally for all situations (Ref. 1). It is readily seen in Fig. 49c that the influence of the truncated contour is felt just above the recompression point in the flow field. Downstream of the recompression shock, the effect of the shroud truncation is detected in the far wake very close to recompression. In the actual flow field of such a nozzle configuration, the near wake is affected by disturbances in the far wake (Refs. 22, 1 and 26) at least until the far wake has accelerated to supersonic conditions. Unfortunately experimental data are not available for this contour truncation case.

Another interesting feature of these flow fields may be noted by comparing the Mach numbers just upstream of the recompression shock. The highest Mach numbers ahead of the shock are obtained in Fig. 49b. This is partially due to the amount of "turning back" which the constant pressure boundary undergoes. This may be further explained by comparing the Mach numbers along the second streamline below the constant pressure boundary. In Fig. 49a the Mach number reaches a maximum of 4.04 at the intersection with the recompression shock. The corresponding streamline in Fig. 49b has the same Mach number variation until  $x/r_b = 4.5$ . At this point the streamline shows additional upward curvature, indicating continued expansion. The Mach number reaches its maximum value of 4.49 again at the intersection with the recompression shock. Although the corresponding streamline in Fig. 49c is incomplete, the reason for the Mach number decrease may be explained by noting the shape of the streamline above the one under consideration. It is seen that the streamline is turned back to the axial direction. This flow situation produces compression waves in that region which correspond

to a decrease in the Mach number. In addition, it is noted in Fig. 49c that the constant pressure boundary not only becomes horizontal, but also begins to assume a negative flow direction. The reason for this change in direction of the constant pressure boundary may be seen by noting the expansion of the fluid around the plug tip and in the near wake region. On a solid boundary, a reflected wave is of the same family as the incident wave, i.e., an incident compression wave reflects as a compression wave. Whereas, for a constant pressure boundary, waves are reflected which are of the opposite family as the incident waves (Ref. 27). Thus the expanding flow within the confines of the nozzle reflects from the constant pressure boundary as compression waves.

The usefulness of this study may be realized by undertaking an engineering study to determine the thrust/weight ratio of the vehicle, since it is most advantageous to have a high thrust/weight ratio for efficient operation. The total thrust of the nozzle decreases with truncation as does the weight of the nozzle. Depending on the payload and the mission, some truncation may prove beneficial.

#### Nozzle Area Ratio

One technique to increase the velocity and, therefore, the thrust produced by the gas within a nozzle is to change the overall area ratio,  $A_{ex}/A_{nt}$ , of the nozzle. An internal-external-expansion nozzle having a shroud contour which was moveable in the vertical direction was investigated analytically. The plug was a conical surface at an angle of  $-7.97^\circ$ , and the axial length of the plug,  $x/r_b$ , was 5.000. The non-dimensional radius of the plug at the throat,  $r/r_b$ , was 1.70. The results of this analytical investigation are presented in Fig. 50. Note that an increasing area ratio produces a corresponding decrease in the base pressure. This result is to be expected, since an increasing overall area ratio implies a higher design Mach number of a nozzle. It has been well documented (e.g., Refs. 9, 13, 14, & 28) that the base pressure ratio does decrease with increasing Mach number.

#### Non-Isoenergetic Mixing

Immediately after ignition the plug base in a plug nozzle flow field may be at a significantly lower temperature than the stagnation temperature of the fluid adjacent to the near wake. The base temperatures for both cases then begin to approach the fluid stagnation temperature asymptotically. In the interim, however, the performance of the nozzle may vary appreciably; once a thermal equilibrium is approached, the effects of the temperature difference disappear. The solution presented in this dissertation cannot predict the actual transient variation of the base pressure with the rate of increase (or decrease) of base temperature. The analysis can provide, however, an accurate representation of the flow field providing the rate of temperature changing is not too large.

A study was undertaken to determine the effects of base heating

and cooling, and the results are shown in Fig. 51. This base temperature ratio curve is for an axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle, ( $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 5.602$ , and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 2.448$ ) with no base bleed and no initial boundary layer. Note in this figure that for  $T_b/T_{01} > 1$  (base heating), the base pressure increases. For  $T_b/T_{01} < 1$  (base cooling), the base pressure drops off. This trend has been demonstrated by other authors (Refs. 14, 29 & 30) for simple problems.

For base cooling the base pressure decreases quite rapidly, and the slope of the curve remains relatively constant. With heat addition the rise of the base pressure is, at first, relatively large. With increasing heat addition, the rate of increase of the base pressure decreases. This phenomenon may be explained partly by the fact that there is no upper bound on the temperature ratio in the analysis used; however, a lower limit does exist, i.e.,  $T_b/T_{01} \rightarrow 0$ . Of course, this lower limit is physically impossible, just as exceedingly high base temperatures are also physically unrealistic. The range of the curve presented in Fig. 51 should, therefore, include the limits of most base heating and cooling problems which are encountered.

#### Internal Shock Wave

The shape of the constant pressure boundary downstream of the nozzle exit is the governing influence in the formation of the internal shock system. The constant pressure boundary divides the fluid exiting from the nozzle from the quiescent (or still) fluid into which the nozzle exhausts. The curvature associated with the constant pressure boundary may be attributed to two primary mechanisms. The first is associated with the properties of waves reflected from such a boundary. That is, an expansion wave originating within the nozzle flow field will be reflected as a compression wave (Ref. 27), thus decreasing the streamline angle. The second variable is the degree of nonuniformity of the flow at the nozzle exit. It has been noted in many configurations, especially those associated with long truncated plug nozzles, that the flow may pass through alternating regions of expansion and compression. This phenomenon has also been encountered by other authors both experimentally and analytically, (Refs. 31 and 32), for other nozzle geometries.

An internal shock is formed by the coalescence of compression waves generated at the jet boundary. Much research has been done on internal shock systems. Most of the analyses (Refs. 27, 33 & 34) have been restricted to flows in converging-diverging nozzles (bell or conical) in which the nozzle exit velocity is either uniform or easily described by some analytic function (e.g., radial flow). Other authors (Refs. 35 & 36) have included a certain degree of nonuniform flow at the nozzle exit. Farmer, et al (Ref. 36) have included the actual flow fields within various C-D nozzles. In these flows chemical kinetics, the formation of additional shock waves, and turbulent mixing were also considered. Reis, et al (Ref. 35) have included the effects of the initial boundary layer along the nozzle contour in their analysis.

For C-D nozzle configurations, the internal shock plays an important role in the development of the flow downstream of the nozzle exit. For overexpanded nozzles ( $P_a/P_e > 1$ ), the internal shocks meet at the nozzle axis producing the familiar diamond configuration. For underexpanded nozzles ( $P_a/P_e < 1$ ), the internal shock ends at a Mach disc (Ref. 27). Since this shock is formed by a gradual coalescence of compression waves, the shock strength increases with axial distance downstream.

On many nozzle streamline patterns which were obtained, it was noted that a sharp discontinuity within the flow field occurred. Such a situation is shown in Fig. 52 for an axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle. It should be mentioned that the analysis used in this report does not calculate the boundary shock per se. A "foldback" technique (Ref. 33) is used which reduces the shock to an isentropic compression. The validity of isentropic flow may seem to be not entirely valid considering the large gradients in Mach number over a very short distance. The foldback procedure allows the calculations to continue despite the intersection of characteristics of the same family. The characteristic equations, in effect, are allowed to "handle their own difficulties" by ignoring these intersections. The location of the shock in the flow field may be determined by the inner envelope of intersections of the characteristics. The flow downstream of the shock is obtained by deleting the foldback portion of the characteristics solution. This technique accurately predicts the constant pressure boundary and internal shock locations (Refs. 33 and 34), despite the assumption of an isentropic flow. The use of rotational characteristics to account for the entropy gradient has also been done (Ref. 35), and the authors claim improved results. The results obtained using rotational characteristics undoubtedly do produce a more exact comparison with the data, but the changes are very slight. At hypersonic Mach numbers the agreement between both methods would not be as good; therefore, rotational characteristics would provide some significant improvement.

Referring again to Fig. 52, the location of the internal shock may be obtained by noting the streamline patterns of the flow field. Streamline numbers 5, 6, and 7 all are turned abruptly. Although they remain distinct, they are very close together. On streamline number 8 a gradual compression (i.e., a turning back of the streamline to the axial direction) is noted at an axial distance,  $x/r_b$ , of about 5.0. The Mach number drops from a value of 4.31 to 3.78, and the streamline angle decreases from  $+12.8^\circ$  to  $+3.8^\circ$ . Although this is a rather formidable change in both Mach number and streamline angle, the formation of a strong internal shock appears not to have occurred since the axial distance of this compression is greater than 1.0. For a shock wave to develop, the compression must take place in a very short distance.

On streamline number 7 at an axial distance of approximately 6.1, however, a strong compression occurs. At this point the Mach number decreases from a value of 4.6 to a value of 3.8, and the streamline angle changes from  $13.5^\circ$  to  $4.0^\circ$ . The axial distance involved is less

than 0.16; there are no intervening points which would indicate a gradual compression as was the case for streamline number 8. Similarly on streamline number 6, the Mach number decreases from 4.6 to 3.7, and the streamline angle decreases from  $15.6^\circ$  to  $3.0^\circ$  at an axial distance of 7.4. Streamline number 5, at a distance of 8.5, demonstrates the same phenomenon. The Mach number decreases from a value of 4.8 to a value of 3.7, and the streamline angle changes from  $16.3^\circ$  to  $2.4^\circ$ .

The locus of these sharp changes in flow direction, then, specifies the location of the internal shock. In addition, note that the strength of the shock appears to increase with axial distance. This is evidenced by the increase in the upstream Mach number and the increase in the total angular deflection through the shock. However, this increase of the strength of the shock with axial distance does not appear to be so large that severe entropy gradients are encountered from streamline to streamline. Thus a "nearly homentropic" flow results from these calculations and permits a solution by an irrotational method of characteristics.

The general features of the flow may be examined along a line drawn perpendicular to the centerline of the nozzle. From outside the near wake, the Mach number of the flow increases with radial distance until the internal shock is encountered. A Mach number decrease occurs across the internal shock such that the downstream Mach number is close to the Mach number along the constant pressure boundary. In some instances it was found that the Mach number downstream of the shock decreased slightly with radial distance, while it increased slightly at other locations. This may be attributed to the nonuniformity of the flow approaching the shock.

#### Ambient Pressure Variation

As rocket or air-breathing engines are operated at higher and higher altitudes, the ambient pressure decreases while the chamber pressure may remain relatively constant. This variation of ambient pressure has a very pronounced effect on the flow fields of plug nozzle configurations. Figs. 53 and 54 demonstrate the effect of raising the ambient pressure for an expansion-deflection and truncated plug nozzle flow field respectively. Fig. 52 shows a planar E-D nozzle with:  $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 2.007$  and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 0.833$ , while the geometry of the planar T-P nozzle is:  $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 15.573$  and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 13.330$ .

In Fig. 53a the ambient pressure ratio,  $P_a/P_{01}$ , is 0.03401; for Fig. 53b,  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.10204$ ; and in Fig. 53c,  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.17007$ . With the increasing ambient pressure ratio, i.e., decreasing altitude, the expansion at the shroud tip decreases noticeably. This is due to the exit pressure undergoing a smaller adjustment to the ambient pressure as the ambient pressure increases. In Fig. 53b a slight down turn of the constant pressure boundary is noted, while in Fig. 53c the negative flow angle becomes quite sharp. This variation in flow direction corresponds to a Mach number decrease within the flow field, i.e., compression



waves are generated at this boundary. Another interesting feature of this particular study is that the base pressure remains constant for all three cases shown. This occurs because the effect of the changing ambient pressure does not affect the near wake solution, i.e., the right-running characteristic from the contour tip intersects the trailing wake downstream of recompression.

Fig. 54 describes the planar T-P nozzle where the following ambient conditions exist:  $P_a/P_{O1} = 0.0102$  (Fig. 54a);  $P_a/P_{O1} = 0.02041$  (Fig. 54b); and  $P_a/P_{O1} = 0.02721$  (Fig. 54c). Again the negative slope of the constant pressure boundary becomes increasingly severe with rising ambient pressure. A mild compression emanates from this boundary because of the shape. In Figs. 54b and 54c, the merging of streamlines indicates the possible location of an internal shock within the flow field. The streamline adjacent to the constant pressure boundary in Fig. 54a also exhibits a compressive turn at  $x = 7.7$  inches. Thus the internal shock appears to move more deeply into the flow field with increasing ambient pressure.

Despite the large effects of the changing ambient pressure on the actual flow field, the nozzle base pressure remains constant. Note that an expansion still occurs at the shroud tip. Even at the highest ambient pressure, the first characteristic from the constant pressure boundary intersects the wake downstream of recompression. Thus no change in the base pressure of the analytical model occurs.

#### Base Bleed

It has been shown that mass addition into the near wake of a blunt body is an effective means of substantially increasing the base pressure (Refs. 14 and 37). This increase in the base pressure, in turn, increases the total thrust of the nozzle. An analytical determination of the base bleed characteristics of an axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle was examined. Fig. 55 presents the plug base pressure results of this investigation, while Fig. 56 shows the actual effects of base bleed on the flow field of the nozzle. In this latter figure, three representative conditions are shown: that of no base bleed; that in which the non-dimensional bleed number,  $\beta$ , is 0.000258; and that where the non-dimensional bleed rate is 0.000777.

Referring to Fig. 55, note that a relatively small amount of bleed produces a substantial increase in the base pressure. For this particular nozzle the base pressure rises rapidly to a bleed number of approximately 0.00040. With increasing values of  $\beta$ , the rate of base pressure increase begins to taper off. For example, at  $\beta = 0.00040$ , the base pressure has risen about 27%; increasing the bleed number an additional 0.00080 produces an additional increase in the base pressure of only 21%. Because of the shape of this curve, it appears reasonable that some optimum bleed rate may be obtained for each particular nozzle in which the increase in base pressure due to bleed would be balanced by the decrease in the actual mass flow of the nozzle.

In this analysis, however, the mass flow of the nozzle remained constant and did not reflect any decrease in the stagnation pressure or mass flow due to bleed. The base pressure in all of the cases shown in Fig. 56 contributes to the thrust of the nozzle, i.e., the base pressure is higher than the ambient pressure. Since the base pressure increases with increasing bleed, additional thrust may be obtained with increasing bleed.

In Fig. 56, the flow fields for the three cases presented do differ markedly because of base bleed. Fig. 56 presents the pressure along the near wake up to and including recompression for the three cases of base bleed discussed above. For no base bleed, the base pressure is the lowest; immediately after separation the pressure decreases slightly indicating a Mach number increase. The pressure then begins to increase once again, and a sharp pressure rise is encountered at recompression. When base bleed is present, the general features of the pressure along the near wake remain the same. Increasing bleed rates produce an increase in the base pressure as shown above. The pressure remains higher until the vicinity of recompression. At that point the pressures are nearly identical. However, the pressure rise at recompression is reduced because of the decreased "corresponding inviscid jet boundary" angle. Thus, increasing the bleed rate produces a less severe pressure rise at recompression.

#### Initial Boundary Layer

An initial boundary layer just upstream of the separation corner on the plug base may produce significant changes in the plug nozzle flow field. In the other sections of this report, the boundary layer has been assumed to be fully turbulent, although a negligible thickness has been assumed.

Fig. 58a shows the effect of an initial boundary layer on the base pressure of an axisymmetric expansion-deflection nozzle. In addition, the variation of the base pressure with the profile exponent is also presented in that figure. Because the boundary layer is treated as an equivalent bleed, a rise in the base pressure with increasing boundary layer thickness is to be expected. The variation of base pressure in Fig. 58 may be attributed to the change in the momentum thickness for each particular profile. That is, for the same boundary layer thickness,  $\delta$ , a 1/5 power law profile results in a larger momentum thickness than the 1/7 power law profile. Similarly, the 1/7 power law profile has a greater momentum thickness than the 1/9 power law profile. The amount of equivalent bleed is a direct function of the momentum thickness. Fig. 58b shows this result. Note that this curve very closely resembles the base bleed curve (Fig. 55) which is the expected result. It should also be mentioned that the analysis used here is for a gas with a turbulent Prandtl number of unity. In addition to these assumptions, two additional geometric restrictions of this particular technique of handling an initial boundary layer are:

- 1) The boundary layer thickness must be relatively small as compared to the base radius (or base half-height for planar nozzles)
- 2) The boundary layer thickness must be small as compared to the throat height.

This second restriction is necessary since a large boundary layer in the throat would alter the initial profile in the potential flow region by significantly decreasing the mass flow within the nozzle. This problem would become more acute in large expansion ratio nozzles with a small throat area; the effects of this mass deficit would be magnified by the overall large expansion of the nozzle.

## COMPARISON OF EXPERIMENTAL AND ANALYTICAL RESULTS

A larger version of the internal-external-expansion nozzle flow field of Fig. 36f is presented in Fig. 59. The free jet boundary begins at the shroud contour exit, and the adjustment to the ambient pressure occurs at this point. The general shape of the boundary resembles that of other T-P nozzle flow fields. The separated flow region is visible, although not sharply defined. The shape of the near wake appears nearly conical, thus supporting the conetail solution concept of the near wake. Furthermore, a lip shock of significant strength does not appear to be present.

Another feature of the flow, which is clearly visible, is the internal shock. This internal shock results from the fact that the flow is underexpanded at the shroud exit (i.e., the Mach number at the shroud exit based on the area ratio is 1.56 and  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.136$ ) and the subsequent overexpansion at the shroud tip causes the flow to recompress by the formation of an internal shock. The shock begins at the shroud contour exit and permeates rather deeply into the flow field. Note that the intersection of this internal shock and the recompression shock produces a sharp change in the wave angle of both shock waves. The internal shock terminates at the Mach disc. This Mach disc is actually a normal shock which produces subsonic flow immediately downstream. A trailing shock emanating from the edge of the Mach disc may also be observed. In general, the flow up to the Mach disc may be predicted analytically using the techniques presented in this report.

A comparison of the experimental and analytical flow fields is made in Fig. 60. Fair qualitative agreement is obtained between the shadowgraph picture and the calculated flow field. The shape of the calculated external jet boundary in Fig. 60 coincides with the external jet boundary of the actual flow very closely. Note that in the analytical solution, only part of the recompression shock and the streamlines are presented. This is because of the analytical difficulties which were encountered with the internal shock. In the analytical solution, a "uniform" sonic line was used to begin the calculations and the wake radius ratio was taken from the data of Chapman. The recompression coefficient was assumed to be unity, i.e., recompression along the d-streamline occurred at the peak pressure downstream of the shock. A negligible boundary layer was assumed.

The base pressure ratio for this nozzle measured in the Nozzle Thrust Facility was:  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.0693$ . The calculated base pressure ratio was 0.0878. The discrepancy in the measured and calculated values of the base pressure ratio is most likely a result of the lack of accurate input information as well as the shortcomings of the method. For example, the assumption of a "uniform" sonic line is known to be incorrect. Furthermore, viscous effects may not be negligible considering the relatively small size of the nozzle. The gap in the throat region between the plug and the shroud is only 0.163 inches; therefore, a small boundary layer on both surfaces would decrease the effective

throat area. This would produce a larger overall area ratio, thereby decreasing the base pressure. When these input data are improved, the analytical results will undoubtedly improve. It should be mentioned that exact agreement between the calculated and measured values of base pressure ratio could have been obtained by using a specific value of the recompression coefficient which was less than one. However, since there is no method at present for determining, a priori, the exact value of  $N$  which will work, this purely empirical method was not used. The most serious shortcoming of the present calculation procedure which could significantly affect this comparison is the omission of the relatively strong internal shock.

An additional comparison of the analytical method with experimental data was obtained from Ref. 39. Again an internal-external-expansion nozzle (Fig. 61) was used in which  $A_{ex}/A_{nt} = 24.0$  and  $A_i/A_{nt} = 12.0$ . The overall exit diameter of the nozzle was 3.0 inches, and the conical plug had a cone half angle of  $-17.0^\circ$ . Three plug lengths were investigated:  $L/L_{max} = 0.091$ ;  $L/L_{max} = 0.145$ ; and  $L/L_{max} = 0.288$ . Base pressure measurements were obtained at each of these plug lengths. In the analytical results, the value of  $N$  in this case was assumed equal to unity. The experimental and analytical base pressure measurements compare quite well for the configuration where  $L/L_{max} = 0.091$ . The experimentally measured value of the base pressure ratio,  $P_b/P_{01}$ , was 0.00346, whereas the analytical prediction was  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.00342$ . In the analytical solution a "uniform" Mach number profile just downstream of the throat was assumed. A shadowgraph of the flow field did not show a strong internal shock which might account for the good base pressure agreement. Although shadowgraphs were not available for the other geometries, the base pressure data was available. At a plug length ratio of  $L/L_{max} = 0.145$ , the experimental base pressure ratio was  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.00385$ , and the analytical value was 0.00370, again demonstrating good agreement. At the longest plug length,  $L/L_{max} = 0.288$ , excellent correlation was obtained. The experimental value of the base pressure ratio was 0.00365, and the analytical value was  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.00366$ . One possible explanation for the fact that the comparison between analysis and experiment is much better for the nozzle of Ref. 39 than for the nozzle of Fig. 59 is that the nozzle total pressures were significantly different resulting in different Reynolds numbers for the two cases.

A comparison of analytical and experimental results for an extended contour planar expansion-deflection nozzle is shown in Fig. 62. For this nozzle the overall expansion ratio,  $A_{ex}/A_{nt}$ , was 1.965 and the base area ratio,  $A_b/A_{nt}$ , was 0.815. Details of this nozzle design and its operating characteristics may be found in Refs. 22 and 38. A simultaneous smokeline-schlieren photograph of the "closed" wake flow field for this nozzle is reproduced in Fig. 62. The measured base pressure ratio for this case was  $P_b/P_{01} = 0.13$ . The wake radius ratio\* was estimated from Fig. 62 to be about 0.243. The calculated base pressure ratio for this value of the wake radius ratio, a straight sonic line

\* In this planar case the analogous wake length ratio was used.

and  $N = 1$  is  $P_b/P_{O1} = 0.135$ . The comparison of the calculated streamlines, near wake shape, and recompression shock with the experimental is reasonably good. This good agreement may be a result of the absence of internal shock waves in the flow adjacent to the near wake.

## CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The experimental base pressure characteristics of truncated plug nozzles provide a convenient means of classifying the nozzle flow as having either an "open" or "closed" wake. It was found for a planar external-expansion truncated plug nozzle with a constant upstream stagnation pressure that as the exhaust pressure decreased, the base pressure of the "open" wake decreased and was approximately equal to the cell pressure (i.e. ambient pressure). The presence of a diffuser did not appear to noticeably affect the "open" wake nozzle operation although it did affect the ejector-diffuser system operation. As the exhaust pressure was further decreased the base pressure continued to decrease until an unstable region was reached in which the wake switched alternately between the "open" and "closed" configurations. A small decrease in exhaust pressure from the value which produced this unstable situation resulted in a "closed" wake. The wake "closed" at essentially the same cell pressure with and without the diffuser. However, the "closed" wake base pressure was about 10% lower with the diffuser present.

For the axisymmetric internal-external-expansion truncated plug nozzle with a constant ambient pressure, base pressure characteristics very similar to the planar case were obtained as the upstream stagnation pressure was increased. In most of the "open" wake region, the base pressure was equal to the ambient pressure. In general this trend continued until the wake "closed". An exception to this general trend occurred in a small region where the shock wave originating at the shroud exit, impinged and was reflected from the plug close enough to the base to produce a decrease and then an increase in the base pressure as the ambient pressure decreased.

Optical investigations of the planar expansion-deflection and truncated plug nozzles as well as the axisymmetric truncated plug nozzle have demonstrated that the lip shock was not of significant strength in the cases studied. The lip shock was therefore not included in the analytical model for the flow field.

The studies on the effects of turbulence seem to indicate that the separated free shear layer is turbulent whether the plug boundary layer is laminar or turbulent. This result justifies the use of turbulent mixing in the base pressure theory. Further experimental data should be obtained to better define the shear layer growth as well as the base recirculation patterns.

Base bleed was shown to have a substantial effect on the base pressure and the nozzle flow field in general. Opaque-stop schlieren photographs of the planar truncated plug nozzle flow field showed a marked increase in the thickness of the wake neck. Also, the base bleed strengthened the lip shock and changed its location. The results of the particular cases studied indicated that even a small amount of base bleed can have a large effect on the base pressure with about 1% bleed producing about a 40% increase in the base pressure. Another

effect of base bleed is that the peak recompression pressure decreases with increasing bleed, and the location of the peak pressure on the nozzle centerline is shifted slightly downstream with increasing bleed. More detailed data on the growth of the turbulent shear layer as well as on the recompression process would be helpful in understanding this complex situation.

The extension of the analytical method of Mueller and Hall (Ref. 9) to include nonuniform plug nozzle configurations produced the correct base pressure trends with overall nozzle area ratio, base temperature ratio, ambient pressure ratio, percent base bleed, and initial boundary layer thickness. Furthermore, the nozzle flow fields from the throat region to and including the recompression shock wave were obtained from this method. Good quantitative agreement was obtained between theory and experiment for a planar and an axisymmetric nozzle flow which did not have strong internal shock waves present. The agreement between theory and experiment for an axisymmetric nozzle with a strong internal shock was not as good.

The experimental results on the location of the sonic line for the planar truncated plug nozzle have indicated that the sonic line is noticeably distorted. Since the sonic conditions are used in the establishment of the starting conditions for the method of characteristics, the sonic line shape and location could have a significant effect on the analytic solution. For most of the cases studied in the present investigation the sonic line was assumed to be straight and at the geometric throat. Therefore one necessary extension of the present method would be to include a more realistic sonic line in the analytic treatment. A strong internal shock wave can occur for a large number of plug nozzle configurations and operating conditions. Furthermore, the strength and position of this shock wave has a significant effect on the base pressure and flow field solution. Therefore it seems reasonable to expect better base pressure results from the analytical method if the internal shock is included in the inviscid flow field calculations.



APPENDIX I

GENERAL METHOD OF CHARACTERISTICS (Ref. 40)

A second order partial differential equation with two independent variables may be expressed in the following form:

$$A\Phi_{xx} + 2B\Phi_{xy} + C\Phi_{yy} = D \quad (I-1)$$

where the coefficients A, B, C, and D may be functions of x,  $\Phi_x$ ,  $\Phi_y$ , and Y. Assuming that  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_y$  are continuous functions of X and Y, then for arbitrary increments of dx and dy:

$$d\Phi_x = \frac{\partial\Phi_x}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial\Phi_x}{\partial y} dy = \Phi_{xx}dx + \Phi_{xy}dy \quad (I-2)$$

and:

$$d\Phi_y = \frac{\partial\Phi_y}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial\Phi_y}{\partial y} dy = \Phi_{xy}dx + \Phi_{yy}dy \quad (I-3)$$

Each solution to Equation (I-1) is a three-dimensional surface in X, Y,  $\Phi$  space (integral surface) defined by the function:

$$\Phi = \Phi(x,y) \quad (I-4)$$

On certain curves on the integral surface, the derivatives of  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_y$  may be discontinuous. These are known as characteristics curves. These projections on the X-Y plane are the physical characteristics. Note that Equation (I-1) applies to any point on the surface, while Equations (I-2) and (I-3) are applicable to the increments of a curve lying on that surface. Also, it must be stated that  $\Phi_{xx}$ ,  $\Phi_{xy}$ , and  $\Phi_{yy}$  may be indeterminate. Rearranging Equations (I-1), (I-2), and (I-3) gives:

$$A\Phi_{xx} + 2B\Phi_{xy} + C\Phi_{yy} = D \quad (I-5a)$$

$$dx\Phi_{xx} + dy\Phi_{xy} + 0 = d\Phi_x \quad (I-5b)$$

$$0 + dx\Phi_{xy} + dy\Phi_{yy} = d\Phi_y \quad (I-5c)$$

These three equations can now be regarded as simultaneous linear algebraic equations in the variables  $\Phi_{xx}$ ,  $\Phi_{xy}$ , and  $\Phi_{yy}$ . Solving for  $\Phi_{xy}$ :

$$\Phi_{xy} \begin{vmatrix} A & D & C \\ dx & d\Phi_x & 0 \\ 0 & d\Phi_y & dy \end{vmatrix} \quad (I-6)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} A & 2B & C \\ dx & dy & 0 \\ 0 & dx & dy \end{vmatrix}$$

Since this is an indeterminate quantity, the denominator matrix is zero, i.e.:

$$A(dy)^2 - 2B(dx dy) + C(dx)^2 = 0 \quad (I-7)$$

or:

$$A\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2 - 2B\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right) + C = 0 \quad (I-8)$$

Solving this quadratic equation results in:

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{\text{Char}} = \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{A} \quad (I-9)$$

This equation determines the slope of the characteristic in the X-Y (physical) plane.

Since  $\Phi_{xy}$  is, in general, finite, then the numerator of Equation (I-6) must also be zero, i.e.:

$$A(d\Phi_x dy) - D(dx dy) + C(d\Phi_y dx) = 0 \quad (I-10)$$

or:

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi_y}{d\Phi_x}\right)_{\text{Char}} = \frac{A}{C} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{\text{Char}} + \frac{D}{C} \left(\frac{dy}{d\Phi_x}\right)_{\text{Char}} \quad (I-11)$$

Substituting the results of Equation (I-9) into Equation (I-11) yields:

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi_x}{d\Phi_y}\right)_{\text{Char}} = -\frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{C} + \frac{D}{C} \left(\frac{dy}{d\Phi_x}\right)_{\text{Char}} \quad (I-12)$$

Thus Equation (I-12) determines the slope of the characteristics in the  $\Phi_x - \Phi_y$  (hodograph) plane.

It is necessary to investigate the types of partial differential equations which may occur. The first will be the elliptic partial differential equation. In this case the quantity  $(B^2 - AC)$  is negative resulting in two imaginary roots to the characteristic equations. Thus for an elliptic partial differential equation, the characteristic equations have no physical significance. The second type of partial differential equations, one real root results, but again no physical significance is obtained. The third type is the hyperbolic partial differential equation. Here the quantity  $(B^2 - AC)$  is positive resulting in two real roots. For this case, a physical significance may be attached to these roots. Therefore, in order to employ the method of characteristics, the governing partial differential equation must be hyperbolic.

## Properties of Characteristic Curves

On a characteristic curve:

- 1) Fluid properties ( $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_y$ ) are continuous.
- 2) Derivatives of the fluid properties may be discontinuous.

Thus regions of differing fluid properties may be "patched" together to obtain a new region. Therefore solving the original partial differential equation is now reduced to solving two sets of first order ordinary differential equations.

### Method of Solution

Equations (I-9) and (I-12) may be rewritten as:

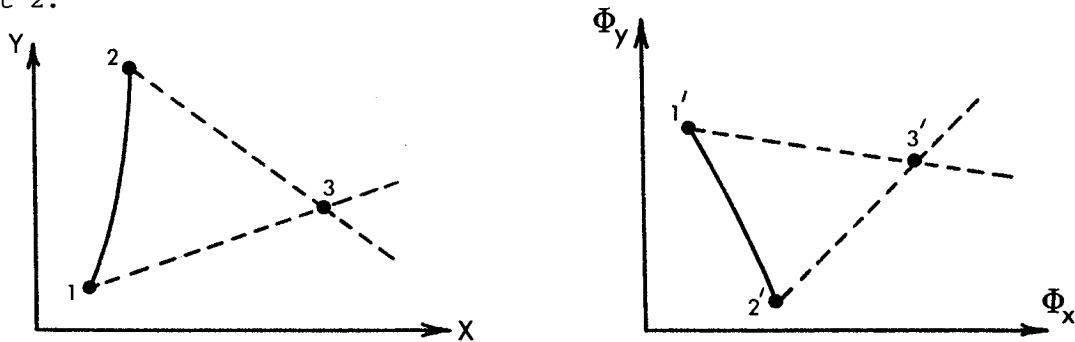
$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_I = \frac{B + \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{A} \quad (\text{I-13a})$$

$$\left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{II} = \frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{A} \quad (\text{I-13b})$$

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi_y}{d\Phi_x}\right)_I = -\frac{B + \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{C} - \frac{D}{C} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_I \quad (\text{I-13c})$$

$$\left(\frac{d\Phi_y}{d\Phi_x}\right)_{II} = -\frac{B - \sqrt{B^2 - AC}}{C} - \frac{D}{C} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{II} \quad (\text{I-13d})$$

Along a non-characteristic curve 1-2,  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_y$  are known, i.e., given from the initial data curve. Referring to the sketch below, it is now possible to begin constructing the characteristic grid. In the X-Y (physical) plane, the location of point 3 is determined. This is done by applying Equation (I-13b) to point 1, and Equation (I-13a) to point 2.



The intersection of these two lines locates in the physical space the position of point 3. It now becomes necessary to locate point 3' in the  $\Phi_x - \Phi_y$  (hodograph) plane. Equation (I-13d) is applied to point 1' and Equation (I-13c) to point 2'. The resulting intersection of these two lines locates point 3' in the hodograph plane. It should be noted that the quantity  $\left(\frac{dY}{d\Phi_x}\right)$  may be approximated by:

$$\left(\frac{dy}{d\Phi_x}\right)_I = \frac{Y_3 - Y_2}{(\Phi_x)_3 - (\Phi_x)_2} \quad (I-14)$$

where  $Y_3$  is determined from the calculations in the physical plane, and  $(\Phi_x)_3$  is estimated. An iteration scheme is then employed using average slopes to obtain accurate solutions.

Rotational Method of Characteristics (Ref. 41)

The axisymmetric continuity equation may be expressed in the following form:

$$\rho V(\Delta n) (2\pi r) = \text{CONSTANT} \quad (I-15)$$

Expanding in the form:

$$\rho V(\Delta n) (2\pi r) = \left[\rho V + \frac{\partial(\rho V)}{\partial s} \Delta s\right] \left[\Delta n + \frac{\partial(\Delta n)}{\partial s} \Delta s\right] (2\pi) \left(r + \frac{\partial r}{\partial s} \Delta s\right) \quad (I-16)$$

Since:

$$\frac{\partial(\Delta n)}{\partial s} = (\Delta n) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} \quad (I-17a)$$

and:

$$\lim_{\Delta r, \Delta s \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta r}{\Delta s} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial s} = \sin \theta \quad (I-17b)$$

and letting  $\Delta s \rightarrow 0$  results in:

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{r} + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} + \frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial s} = 0 \quad (I-18)$$

The entropy will be assumed constant along a streamline, but will be permitted to vary from streamline to streamline. The enthalpy equation may be expressed as:

$$dh = T d\tilde{s} + \frac{dp}{\rho} \quad (I-19)$$

In addition the adiabatic energy equation can be written:

$$h_o = h + v^2/2 \quad (I-20)$$

The n-momentum equation may be expressed in the following form:

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial n} = - \frac{\rho v^2}{R_s} = - \rho V \frac{2 \partial \theta}{\partial s} \quad (I-21)$$

Combining Equations (I-19), (I-20) and (I-21) results in the new n-momentum equation:

$$\frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial s} = - \frac{T}{V^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn} \quad (I-22)$$

Assuming isentropic flow along a streamline, the s-momentum equation may be expressed as:

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial s} = - \frac{V}{a^2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} \quad (I-23)$$

Combining this s-momentum equation and continuity (I-18) gives:

$$\cot \mu \frac{1}{V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} - \tan \mu \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} = \tan \mu \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \quad (I-24)$$

Employing the definition of the Prandtl-Meyer function:

$$v = \int_{M=1}^M -d\theta = \int_{M=1}^M (M^2 - 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dV}{V} \quad (I-25)$$

Results in two partial differential equations:

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial s} - \tan \mu \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial n} = \tan \mu \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \quad (I-26a)$$

and:

$$\tan \mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} - \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial s} = - \frac{T}{V^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn} \quad (I-26b)$$

Adding these two equations results in:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s}(v-\theta) + \tan \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial n}(v-\theta) = \tan \mu \frac{\sin \theta}{r} - \frac{T}{V^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn}$$

while subtracting gives:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s}(v+\theta) - \tan \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial n}(v+\theta) = \tan \mu \frac{\sin \theta}{r} + \frac{T}{V^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn} \quad (I-28)$$

It may be shown that for any function,  $f$ , the characteristics equations may be written:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} + \tan \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \eta} \sec \mu \quad (I-29a)$$

and:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} - \tan\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial n} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \xi} \sec\mu \quad (\text{I-29b})$$

Comparing Equations (I-29a) and (I-29b) with Equations (I-27) and (I-28) results in:

$$\frac{\partial(v-\theta)}{\partial \eta} = \sin\mu \frac{\sin\theta}{r} - \cos\mu \frac{T}{v^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn} \quad (\text{I-30})$$

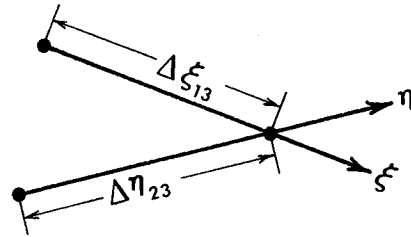
and:

$$\frac{\partial(v+\theta)}{\partial \xi} = \sin\mu \frac{\sin\theta}{r} + \cos\mu \frac{T}{v^2} \frac{d\tilde{s}}{dn} \quad (\text{I-31})$$

Referring to the sketch and assuming:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta}(v-\theta) = \frac{d}{d\eta}(v-\theta) \text{ along } \eta$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi}(v+\theta) = \frac{d}{d\xi}(v+\theta) \text{ along } \xi$$



Integrating Equations (I-30) and (I-31) gives:

$$(v_3-\theta_3) - (v_2-\theta_2) = \int_2^3 \left( \sin\mu \frac{\sin\theta}{r} \right) d\eta - \cot\mu \frac{T}{v^2} (\tilde{s}_3 - \tilde{s}_2) \quad (\text{I-32a})$$

and:

$$(v_3+\theta_3) - (v_1+\theta_1) = \int_1^3 \left( \sin\mu \frac{\sin\theta}{r} \right) d\xi - \cot\mu \frac{T}{v^2} (\tilde{s}_3 - \tilde{s}_1) \quad (\text{I-32b})$$

or:

$$(v_3-\theta_3) - (v_2-\theta_2) = \bar{C}_{23} \Delta\eta_{23} - \bar{K}_{23} \left( \frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_2}{R} \right) \quad (\text{I-33a})$$

and:

$$(v_3+\theta_3) - (v_1+\theta_1) = \bar{C}_{13} \Delta\xi_{13} - \bar{K}_{13} \left( \frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_1}{R} \right) \quad (\text{I-33b})$$

where  $\bar{C}$  denotes the average value of the integrand, i.e.:

$$C = \sin\mu \frac{\sin\theta}{r} \quad (\text{I-34})$$

and where  $\bar{K}$  is the average value of the following:

$$K = \frac{\sin\mu \cos\mu}{\gamma} \quad (\text{I-35})$$

The resulting computational equations then become:

$$v_3 = \frac{F_1 + F_2}{2} \quad (\text{I-36a})$$

and:

$$\theta_3 = \frac{F_1 - F_2}{2} \quad (\text{I-36b})$$

where:

$$F_1 = (v_1 + \theta_1) + \bar{C}_{13}\Delta\xi_{13} - \bar{K}_{13}\left(\frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_1}{R}\right) \quad (\text{I-37a})$$

and:

$$F_2 = (v_2 - \theta_2) + \bar{C}_{23}\Delta\eta_{23} - \bar{K}_{23}\left(\frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_2}{R}\right) \quad (\text{I-37b})$$

#### Boundary Conditions

For simplicity let:

$$F_1 = (v_1 + \theta_1) + F_{1i} \quad (\text{I-38a})$$

and

$$F_2 = (v_2 - \theta_2) + F_{2i} \quad (\text{I-38b})$$

where:

$$F_{1i} = \bar{C}_{13}\Delta\xi_{13} - \bar{K}_{13}\left(\frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_1}{R}\right) \quad (\text{I-39a})$$

and

$$F_{2i} = \bar{C}_{23}\Delta\eta_{23} - \bar{K}_{23}\left(\frac{\tilde{s}_3}{R} - \frac{\tilde{s}_2}{R}\right) \quad (\text{I-39b})$$

For a solid boundary the streamline angle at the point to be calculated is known. Thus, since  $\theta_3$  is known, Equation (I-36b) may be solved algebraically for  $F_2$ . Upon substituting this result into Equation (I-36a), the following expression for  $v_3$  is obtained:

$$v_3 = v_1 + \theta_1 - \theta_3 + F_{1i} \quad (\text{I-40})$$

At a lower constant pressure boundary, the Prandtl-Meyer turn angle,  $\nu_3$ , may be considered known and constant. Thus solving Equation (I-36a) for  $F_2$  and substituting this result into Equation (I-36b) gives the expression for the streamline angle at that point:

$$\theta_3 = \nu_1 + \theta_1 - \nu_3 + F_{1i} \quad (I-41)$$

It should be noted that Equations (I-40) and (I-41) differ when the boundary being calculated is on an upper surface.



APPENDIX II

BASE PRESSURE SOLUTION WITH PRESSURE RISE (Ref. 10)

Referring to Fig. 37, the momentum equation between points (2) and (3) may be expressed as (Note: R and -R are positioned such that the cross-sectional area at any axial station is constant):

$$(PA)_2 + (\rho u^2 A)_2 = (PA)_3 + (\rho u^2 A)_3 \quad (\text{II-1})$$

where:

$$A_2 = \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} 2\pi R_2 \cos\theta_2 dy_2 \quad (\text{II-2a})$$

and:

$$A_3 = \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} 2\pi R_3 \cos\theta_3 dY_3 \quad (\text{II-2b})$$

Substituting results in:

$$P_2 \cos\theta_2 \int_{-R}^R 2\pi R_2 dy_2 + \cos\theta_2 \int_{-R}^R \rho_2 U_2^2 2\pi R_2 dy_2 = \quad (\text{II-3})$$

$$P_3 \cos\theta_3 \int_{-R}^R 2\pi R_3 dY_3 + \cos\theta_3 \int_{-R}^R \rho_3 U_3^2 2\pi R_3 dY_3$$

For a conical wake assumption:

$$\theta_2 = \theta_3 \quad (\text{II-4})$$

Therefore:

$$P_2 \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} R_2 dy_2 + \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} \rho_2 U_2^2 R_2 dy_2 = P_3 \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} R_3 dY_3 + \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} \rho_3 U_3^2 R_3 dY_3 \quad (\text{II-5})$$

Since at point (2) no flow exists below  $y = 0$ , and since above  $y = 0$ , the flow is uniform, then:

$$P_2 \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} (R_0 - y_2 \cos\theta) dy_2 + \rho_{2a} u_{2a}^2 \int_0^{Y_R} (R_0 - y_2 \cos\theta_2) dy_2 = \quad (\text{II-6})$$

$$P_3 \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} (R_3 - Y_3 \cos\theta_3) dY_3 + \rho_{3a} u_{3a}^2 \int_{Y-R}^{Y_R} \left(\frac{\rho_3}{\rho_{3a}}\right) \left(\frac{U_3^2}{U_{3a}^2}\right) (R - Y_3 \cos\theta_3) dY_3$$

where  $R_2$  in Equation (II-5) is:

$$R_2 = R_0 - y_2 \cos \theta_2 \quad (\text{II-7a})$$

and  $R_3$  is defined as:

$$R_3 = \bar{R}_3 - Y_3 \cos \theta_3 \quad (\text{II-7b})$$

Since:

$$Y = y - y_m \quad (\text{II-8a})$$

and:

$$dY = dy \quad (\text{II-8b})$$

then:

$$P_2 \left[ R_0 (y_R - y_{-R}) - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta (y_R^2 - y_{-R}^2) \right]_2 + \rho_{2a} u_{2a}^2 (R_0 y_R - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta y_R^2)_2 =$$

$$P_3 \int_{y_{-R}}^{y_R} \left[ \bar{R} - (y - y_m) \cos \theta \right]_3 dy_3 + \rho_{3a} u_{3a}^2 \int_{y_{-R}}^{y_R} \left( \frac{\rho_3}{\rho_{3a}} \right) \left( \frac{u_3^2}{u_{3a}^2} \right) (R - Y \cos \theta)_3 dY_3 \quad (\text{II-9})$$

Since the pressure normal to the flow is constant, then:

$$\rho_3 / \rho_{3a} = (1 - C_{3a}^2) / (1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2) \quad (\text{II-10})$$

Defining the dimensionless coordinate,  $\eta$ , as:

$$\eta = \sigma y/x \quad (\text{II-11})$$

where  $\sigma$  is the jet spread parameter.

Then:

$$Y = y - y_m = \frac{x}{\sigma} (\eta - \eta_m) \quad (\text{II-12a})$$

and:

$$dy = dY = \frac{x}{\sigma} d\eta \quad (\text{II-12b})$$

Also noting that:

$$y_R - y_{-R} = 2y_R \quad (\text{II-13a})$$

and:

$$y_R^2 - y_{-R}^2 = 0 \quad (\text{II-13b})$$

Then Equation (II-9) becomes:

$$\frac{P_2}{\rho_{2a} u_{2a}^2} (2R_{OY_R})_2 + (R_{OY_R} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta y_R^2)_2 = \frac{P_3}{\rho_{2a} u_{2a}^2} \int_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} \frac{x}{\sigma} \left[ \bar{R} - (\eta - \eta_m) \cos \theta \right]_3 d\eta_3$$

$$+ \frac{P_3}{P_2} \frac{P_2}{P_3} \frac{\rho_{3a} u_{3a}^2}{\rho_{3a} u_{3a}^2} (1 - C_{3a}^2) \left[ \frac{R_x}{\sigma} I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \left( \frac{x}{\sigma} \right)^2 \cos \theta (J_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \eta_m I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R}) \right]_3 \quad (\text{II-14})$$

Since:

$$\frac{P}{\rho u^2} = \frac{1 - C^2}{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} C^2} \quad (\text{II-15})$$

It should be noted that:

$$I_2 = \int \frac{\phi^2}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} d\eta \quad (\text{II-16a})$$

and:

$$J_2 = \int \frac{\phi^2 \eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} d\eta \quad (\text{II-16b})$$

and the  $\eta$ -values in Equation (II-14) refer to the limits of integration. By employing Equation (II-15), Equation (II-14) finally reduces to:

$$\frac{1 - C_{2a}^2}{\frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} C_{2a}^2} (2R_{OY_R})_2 + (R_{OY_R} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta y_R^2)_2 =$$

$$\frac{P_3 (1 - C_{2a}^2)}{P_2 C_{2a}^2} \left\{ \frac{\gamma-1}{2\gamma} \left[ \frac{R_x}{\sigma} (2\eta_R) - \left( \frac{x}{\sigma} \right)^2 \cos \theta (-2\eta_m \eta_R) \right] + \right.$$

$$\left. C_{3a}^2 \left[ \frac{R_x}{\sigma} I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \left( \frac{x}{\sigma} \right)^2 \cos \theta (J_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \eta_m I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R}) \right] \right\}_3 \quad (\text{II-17})$$

This equation, then, describes the momentum transfer between stations (2) and (3).

The viscous continuity equation between stations (2) and (3) may be expressed in the following form:

$$\int_0^{y_R} \rho_2 u_2 2\pi R_2 dy_2 = \int_{y_j}^{y_R} \rho_3 u_3 2\pi R_3 dy_3 \quad (\text{II-18})$$

Using the relations which were employed for the momentum equation, this continuity equation reduces to:

$$(R_{OY_R} - \frac{1}{2}\cos^2 Y_R^2)_2 = \frac{P_3 C_{3a}}{P_2 C_{2a}} (1 - C_{2a}^2) \int_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} \frac{\phi}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} \left[ \bar{R} - \frac{x}{\sigma} (\eta - \eta_m) \cos\theta \right] \frac{x_3}{3\sigma_3} d\eta_3 \quad (II-19)$$

or finally:

$$(R_{OY_R} - \frac{1}{2}\cos^2 \theta Y_R^2)_2 = \frac{P_3}{P_2} \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} (1 - C_{2a}^2) \left\{ \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} I_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} - \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2 \cos\theta \left[ J_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} - \eta_m I_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} \right] \right\}_3 \quad (II-20)$$

where:

$$I_1 = \int \frac{\phi}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} d\eta \quad (II-21a)$$

and:

$$J_1 = \int \frac{\phi \eta}{1 - C_{3a}^2 \phi^2} d\eta \quad (II-21b)$$

Since the cross sectional area between R and -R is assumed constant, then:

$$(2R_{OY_R})_2 = \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} (2\eta_R) - \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2 \cos\theta (-2\eta_m \eta_R) \quad (II-22)$$

Combining the continuity equation (II-20) and the momentum equation (II-17) results in:

$$\frac{P_3}{P_2} \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} \left\{ \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} I_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} - \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2 \cos\theta \left[ J_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} - \eta_m I_1 \Big|_{\eta_j}^{\eta_R} \right] \right\}_3 =$$

$$\frac{\gamma-1}{C_{2a}^2} \left( \frac{P_3}{P_2} - 1 \right) \left[ \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} (2\eta_R) - \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2 \cos\theta (-2\eta_m \eta_R) \right]_3 +$$

$$\frac{P_3}{P_2} \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} \left[ \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \left(\frac{x}{\sigma}\right)^2 \cos\theta \left( J_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} - \eta_m I_2 \Big|_{\eta_{-R}}^{\eta_R} \right) \right]_3 \quad (II-23)$$

Algebraically solving for  $\eta_m$  gives:

$$\eta_m = \frac{J_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| - \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} J_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_{-R} \end{array} \right|}{I_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R - \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| I_2 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R - \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \frac{1}{C_{3a}C_{2a}} \\ \eta_{-R} \end{array} \right| (1 - \frac{P_2}{P_3})} - \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma R}}{x \cos \theta} \right)_3 \quad (\text{II-24})$$

An inviscid continuity equation may now be written between stations (2) and (3):

$$\int_0^{Y_R} \rho_2 u_2 2\pi R_2 dy = \int_0^{Y_R} \rho_3 u_3 2\pi R_3 dY_3 \quad (\text{II-25})$$

Making the appropriate substitutions and algebraically rearranging results in:

$$\left( R_{OY_R} - \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta y_R^2 \right)_2 = \frac{P_3}{P_2} \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} \frac{1 - C_{2a}^2}{1 - C_{3a}^2} \left\{ \frac{\bar{R}x}{\sigma} (\eta_R - \eta_m) - \left( \frac{x}{\sigma} \right)^2 \cos \theta \left[ \frac{\eta_R^2 - \eta_m^2}{2} - \eta_R \eta_m \right] \right\}_3 \quad (\text{II-26})$$

Combining both the viscid (II-19) and the inviscid (II-26) continuity equations gives:

$$\frac{\bar{R}_3 \sigma_3}{x_3} \frac{2}{\cos \theta_3} (1 - C_{3a}^2) I_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| - \frac{\bar{R}_3 \sigma_3}{x_3} \frac{2}{\cos \theta_3} \eta_R - 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) J_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| + \eta_R^2 = -\eta_m^2 - \eta_m \left[ \frac{\bar{R}\sigma}{x} \frac{2}{\cos \theta} - 2\eta_R + 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) I_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| \right]_3 \quad (\text{II-27})$$

Recalling the expression for  $\eta_m$ , and defining B as:

$$B = \frac{J_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_{-R} \end{array} \right| - \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} J_2 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R \\ \eta_{-R} \end{array} \right|}{I_1 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R - \frac{C_{3a}}{C_{2a}} \\ \eta_j \end{array} \right| I_2 \left| \begin{array}{c} \eta_R - \frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma} \frac{1}{C_{3a}C_{2a}} \\ \eta_{-R} \end{array} \right| (1 - \frac{P_2}{P_3})} \eta_R \quad (\text{II-28})$$

then the expression for  $\eta_m$  becomes:

$$\eta_m = B - \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma R}}{x \cos \theta} \right)_3 \quad (\text{II-29})$$

Substituting this result into Equation (II-27) gives:

$$(B - \eta_R)^2_3 + 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) \left[ I_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_R \\ \eta_{-R} \end{vmatrix} - I_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_j \\ \eta_{-R} \end{vmatrix} \right] B - 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) \left[ J_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_R \\ \eta_{-R} \end{vmatrix} - J_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_j \\ \eta_{-R} \end{vmatrix} \right] = \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma}_R}{x \cos \theta} \right)^2_3 \quad (\text{II-30})$$

For  $\eta_R = 3$ , then:

$$\left\{ (B - 3)^2_3 + 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) \left[ I_1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{vmatrix} - I_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_j \\ -3 \end{vmatrix} \right] B - 2(1 - C_{3a}^2) \left[ J_1 \begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{vmatrix} - J_1 \begin{vmatrix} \eta_j \\ -3 \end{vmatrix} \right] \right\}_3 = \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma}_R}{x \cos \theta} \right)^2_3 \quad (\text{II-31})$$

Thus the location of the j-streamline may be determined by solving this transcendental equation

#### Calculation Procedure

For a given (or calculated) flow field up to the plug base, the calculation procedure for determining the base pressure is as follows:

1. Estimate the value of the base pressure ratio,  $P_b/P_{O1}$ , and knowing  $P_1$  and  $M_1$ , obtain the ratio  $P_b/P_1$ . (The terms  $P_1$  and  $M_1$  are the pressure and Mach number at the tip of the plug.)
2.  $P_b/P_{O1} = P_2/P_{O1}$  because of the assumption of no pressure gradient in the y-direction. The pressure ratio  $P_2/P_{O1}$  determines the Mach number  $M_{2a}$  and the corresponding Prandtl-Meyer angle,  $\nu_{2a}$ . The difference in Prandtl-Meyer angles ( $\nu_{2a} - \nu_{1a}$ ) determines the change in streamline angle at the plug base (ie.,  $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = \nu_{2a} - \nu_{1a}$ ).
3. Determine a wake radius ratio,  $r_w/r_b$ , and perform a method of characteristics solution to a radius,  $r_w$ . This determines the Mach number,  $M_{3a}$ , at recompression.
4. Determine the location of the j-streamline by iteratively solving Equation (II-31). The value of the jet spread parameter,  $\sigma_{3a}$ , is that formulated by Channapragada.<sup>29</sup> Also,  $\theta_{1-2} = \theta_{3-4}$ . The solution to this equation is double-valued, and the upper solution is used for external flows.
5. For no bleed,  $\phi_d = \phi_j$  and:

$$C_{d3} = \phi_{d3} C_{3a} = \phi_{j3} C_{3a}$$

6. Also:

$$C_{d3} = \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\left( \frac{P_4}{P_3} \right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{ since } P_{O3d} = P_4$$

where  $P_4/P_3$  is the pressure rise across an oblique shock of a stream flowing at a velocity  $M_{3a}$  deflected through an angle  $\theta_{3-4}$ .

7. When the value of  $C_{d3}$  obtained from steps 5 and 6 agree, a solution is obtained.

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TABLE I

## Planar Nozzle Contour Coordinates (inches)

X'	Y'	X'	Y'
0.0000	1.3760	2.7000	1.6058
0.1000	1.3760	2.8000	1.6193
0.2000	1.3760	2.9000	1.6328
0.3000	1.3760	3.0000	1.6463
0.4000	1.3760	3.1000	1.6598
0.5000	1.3760	3.2000	1.6733
0.6000	1.3760	3.3000	1.6869
0.7000	1.3760	3.4000	1.7004
0.8000	1.3760	3.5000	1.7139
0.9000	1.3760	3.6000	1.7274
1.0000	1.3760	3.7000	1.7409
1.1000	1.3895	3.8000	1.7544
1.2000	1.4030	3.9000	1.7680
1.3000	1.4165	4.0000	1.7806
1.4000	1.4301	4.1000	1.7854
1.5000	1.4436	4.2000	1.7853
1.6000	1.4571	4.3000	1.7803
1.7000	1.4716	4.4000	1.7703
1.8000	1.4841	4.5000	1.7553
1.9000	1.4976	4.6000	1.7351
2.0000	1.5112	4.7000	1.7095
2.1000	1.5247	4.8000	1.6781
2.2000	1.5382	4.9000	1.6407
2.3000	1.5517	5.0000	1.5969
2.4000	1.5652	5.1000	1.5459
2.5000	1.5787	5.2000	1.4873
2.6000	1.5922	5.2600	1.4481

TABLE II

## Planar Nozzle Plug Coordinates (inches)

X'	Y'	X'	Y'
0.0000	0.0000	2.2700	0.4962
0.0700	0.0166	2.3700	0.5180
0.1700	0.0384	2.4700	0.5398
0.2700	0.0602	2.5700	0.5616
0.3700	0.0820	2.6700	0.5834
0.4700	0.1038	2.7700	0.6052
0.5700	0.1256	2.8700	0.6270
0.6700	0.1474	2.9700	0.6488
0.7700	0.1692	3.0700	0.6706
0.8700	0.1910	3.1700	0.6924
0.9700	0.2128	3.2700	0.7135
1.0700	0.2346	3.3700	0.7262
1.1700	0.2564	3.4700	0.7288
1.2700	0.2782	3.5700	0.7213
1.3700	0.3000	3.6700	0.7036
1.4700	0.3218	3.7700	0.6750
1.5700	0.3436	3.8700	0.6346
1.6700	0.3654	3.9700	0.5853
1.7700	0.3872	4.0700	0.5357
1.8700	0.4090	4.1700	0.4872
1.9700	0.4308	4.2700	0.4395
2.0700	0.4526	4.3700	0.3933
2.1700	0.4744		

TABLE III

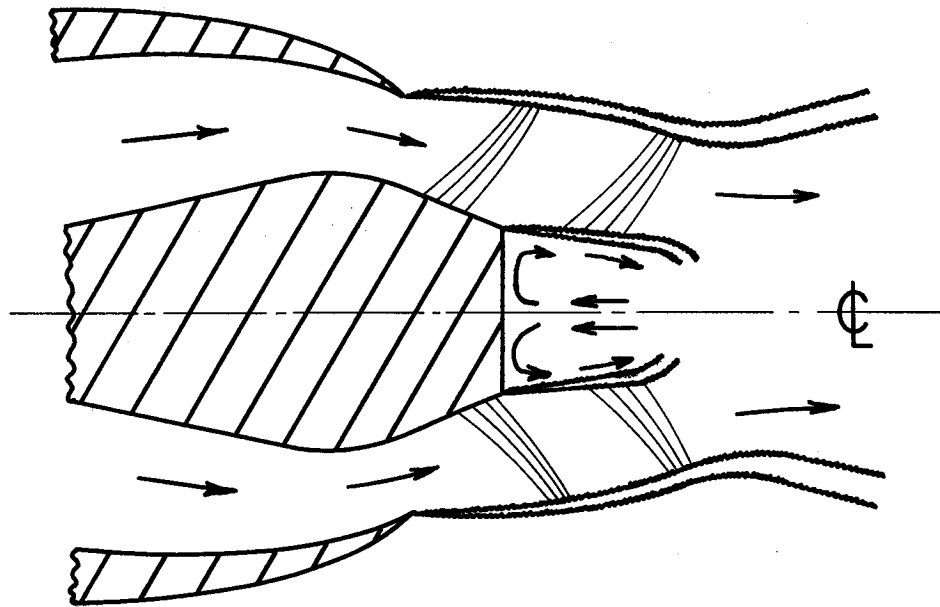
Coordinates of Planar Nozzle Top Contour Pressure Taps (inches)

Tap Number	Position From Nozzle Inlet
4	1.0620
5	2.2500
6	2.6250
7	3.0620
8	3.8120
9	4.1250
10	4.5000
11	4.9500
12	5.1870
13	5.6250
14	6.0000
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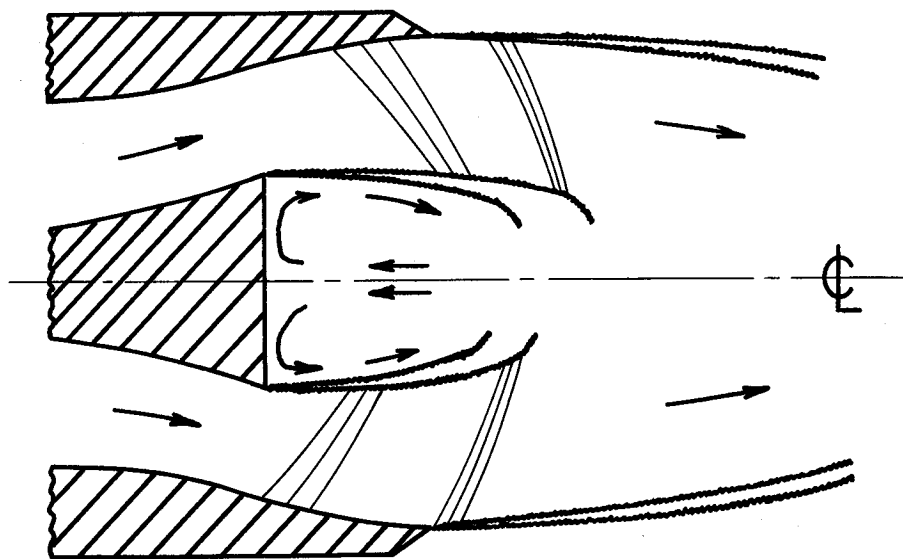
TABLE IV

Coordinates of Planar Nozzle Sidewall Centerline Pressure Taps (inches)

Tap Number	Position From Plug Base
37	0.1600
38	0.4100
39	0.6600
40	0.9100
41	1.1600
42	1.4100
43	1.6600
44	1.9100
45	2.1600
46	2.4100
47	2.6600
48	2.9100
49	3.1600
50	3.4100
51	3.6600
52	3.9100
53	4.1600
54	4.4100
55	4.6600
56	4.9100
57	5.1600
58	5.4100
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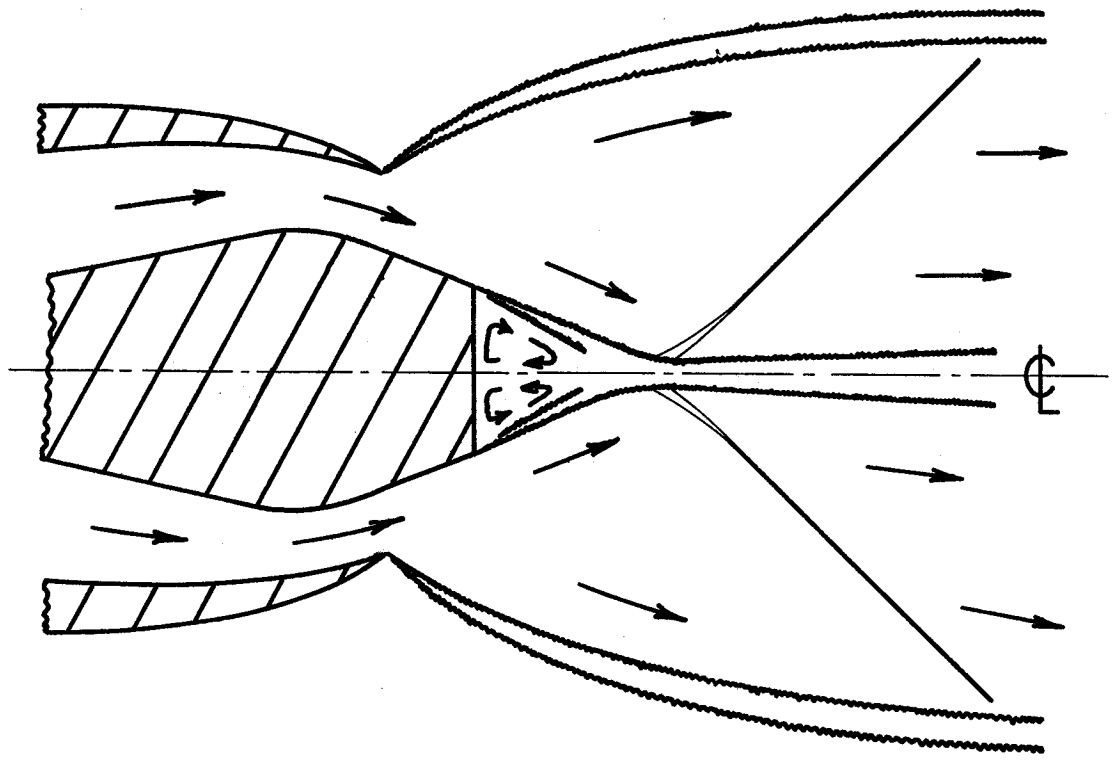
a.) Truncated Plug Nozzle.



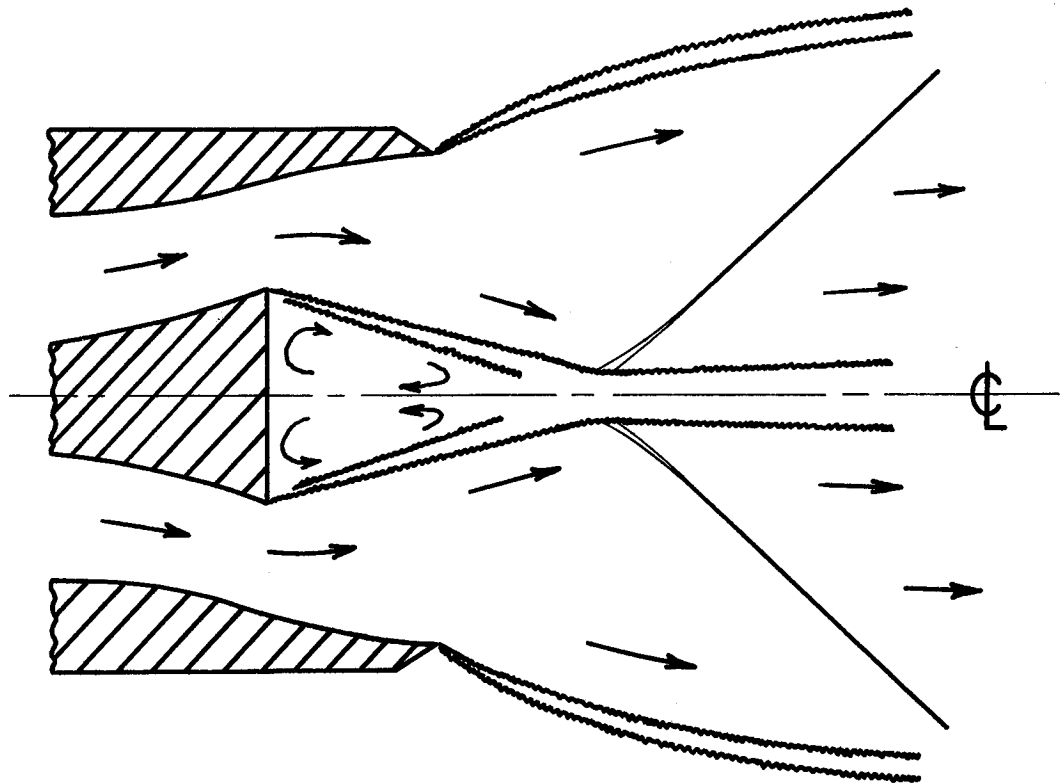
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Fig. 1. Schematic of "Open Wake" Flow Fields for Truncated Plug and Expansion-Deflection Nozzles.



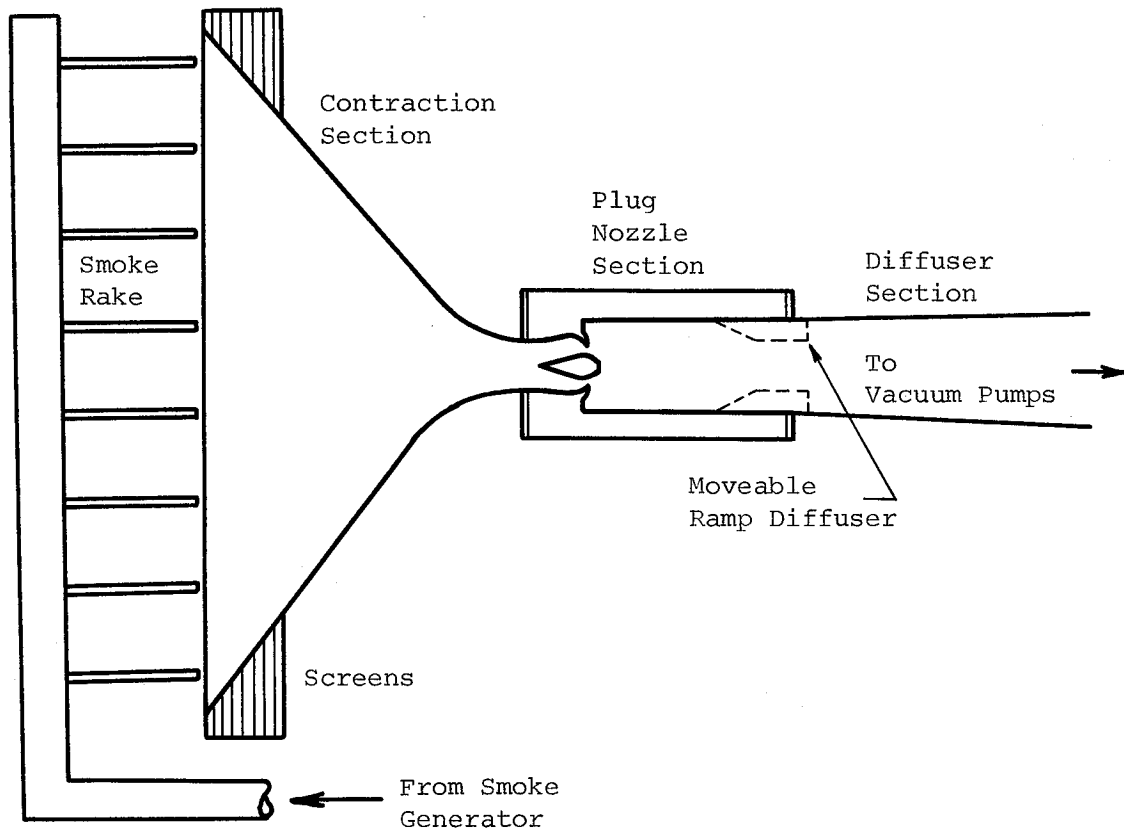


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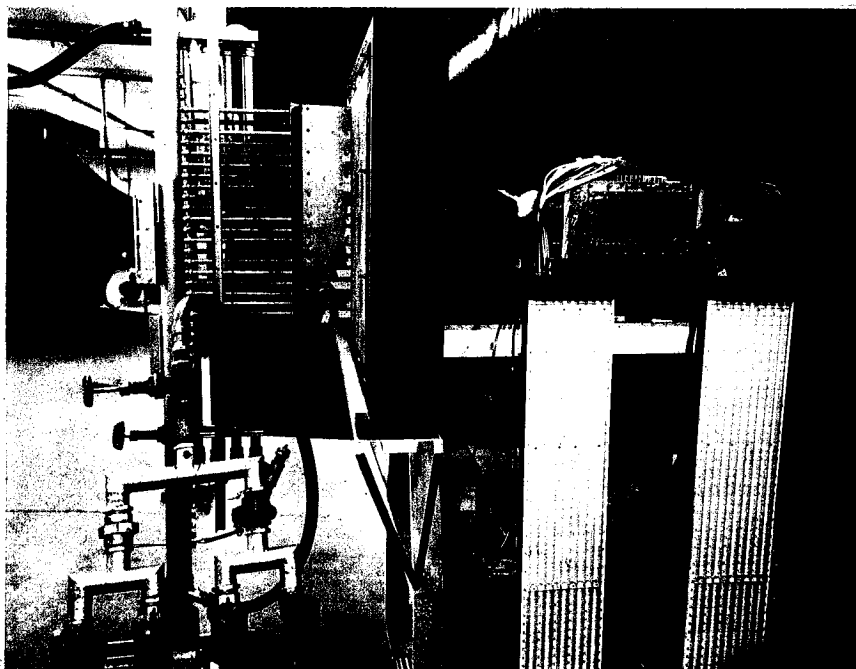


b.) Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

Fig. 2. Schematic of "Closed Wake" Flow Fields for Truncated Plug and Expansion-Deflection Nozzles.



a.) Schematic of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Test Facility.



b.) Photograph of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Test Facility.

Fig. 3. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Test Facility.

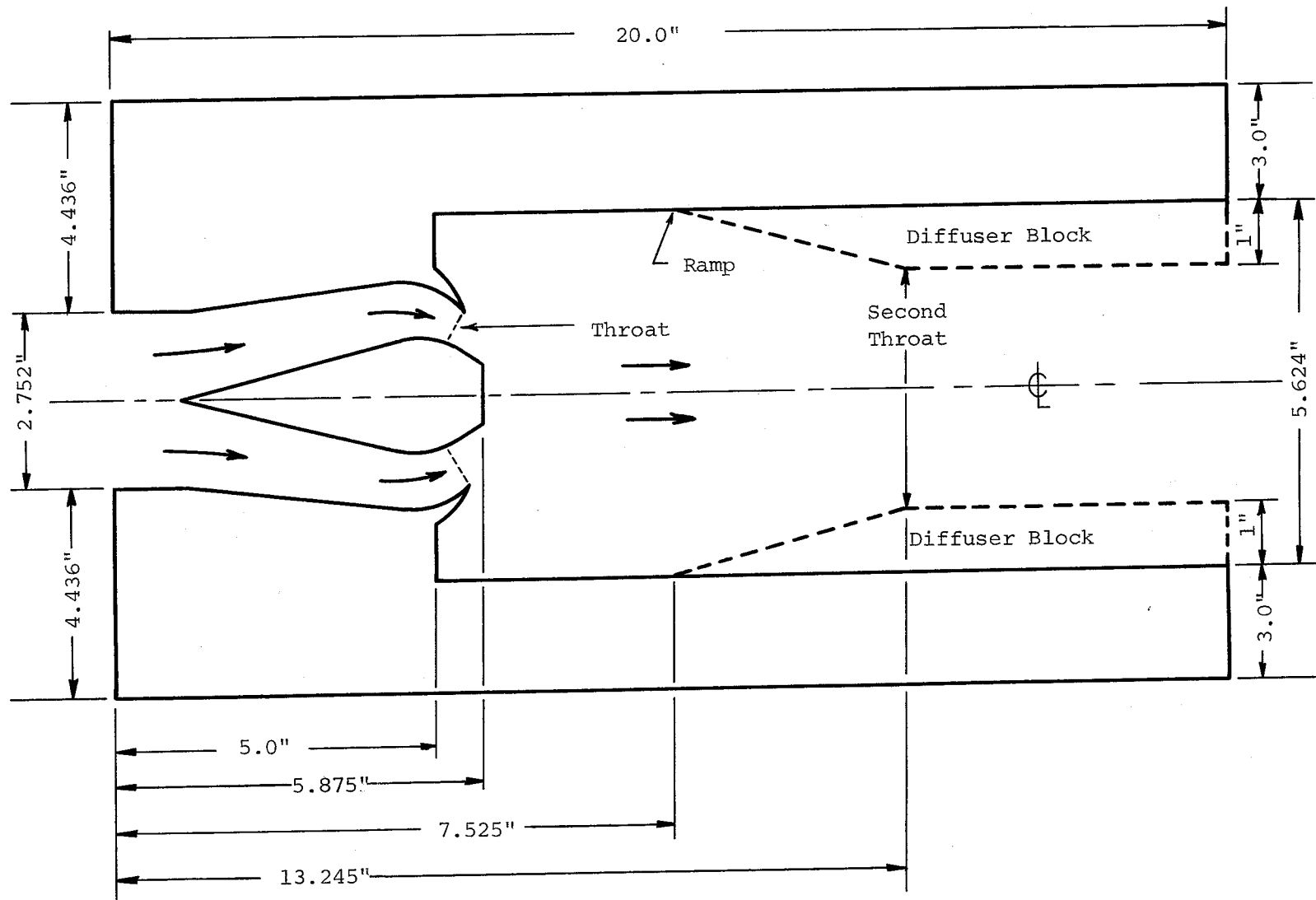
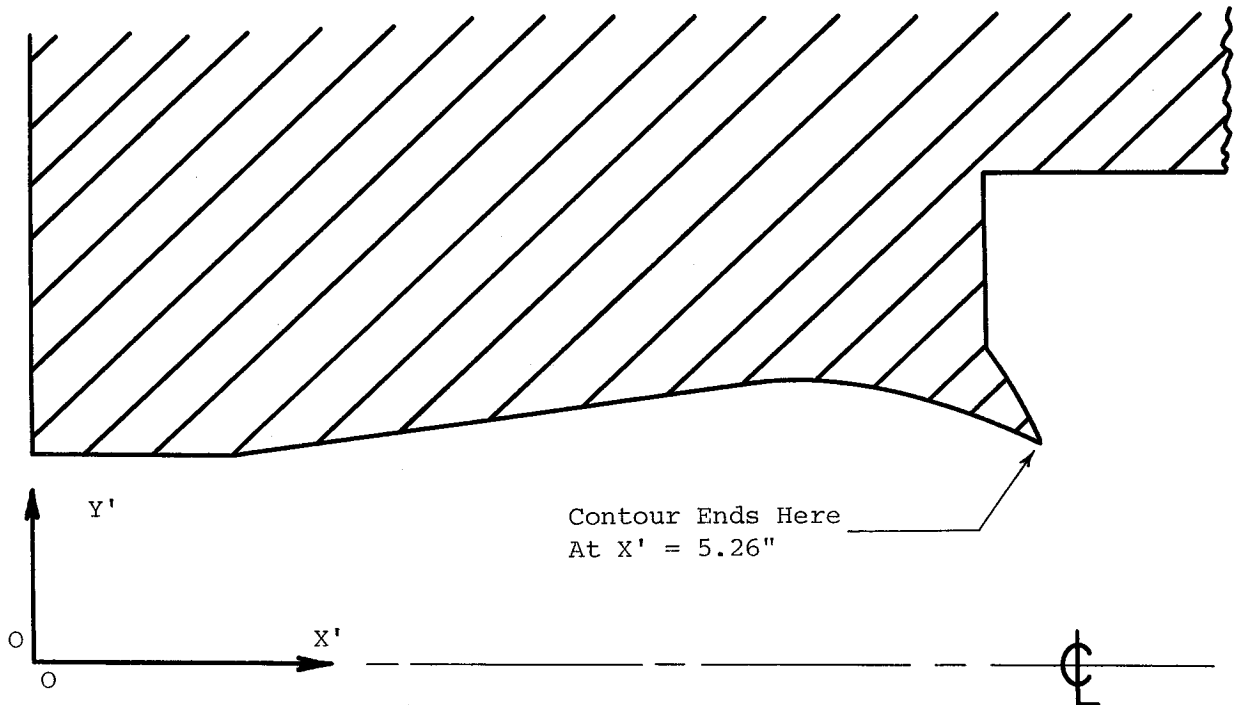
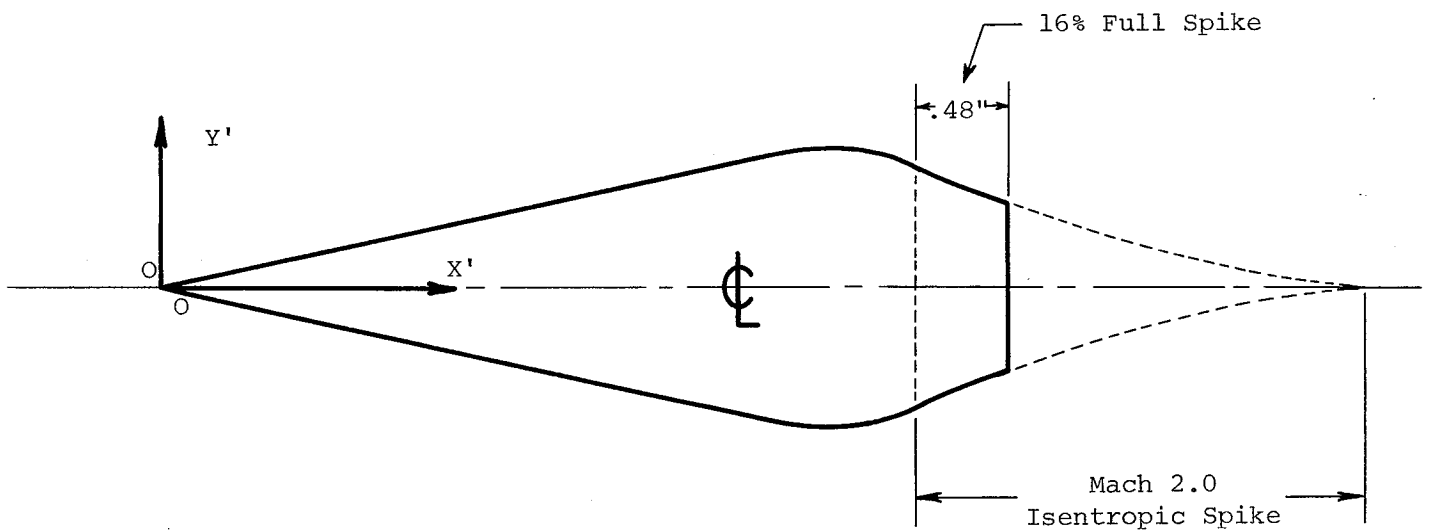


Fig. 4. Plan View of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Test Section.



a.) Origin for Nozzle Contour Coordinates.



b.) Origin for Plug Coordinates.

Fig. 5. Schematic of Plug and Nozzle Contour Showing Location of Origins for Coordinate Tabulations.

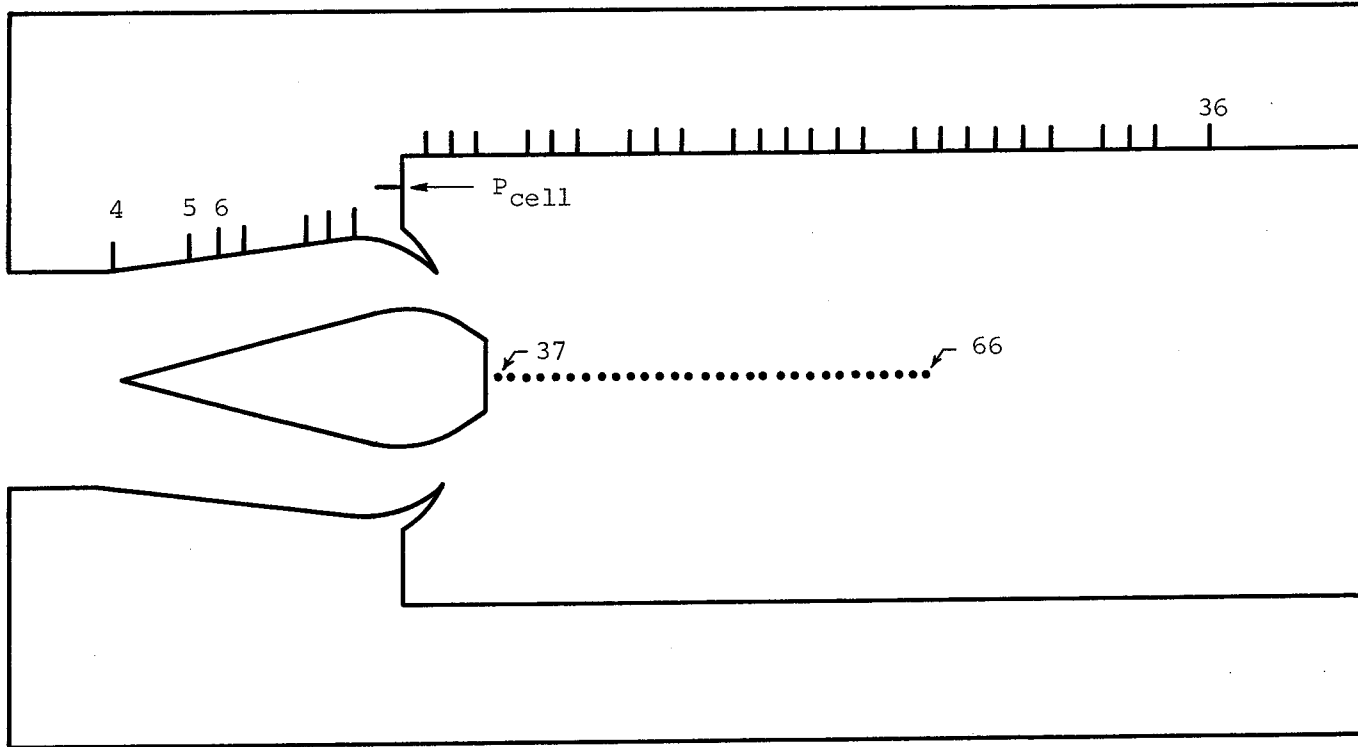


Fig. 6. Relative Location and Numbering System for Static Pressure Taps.

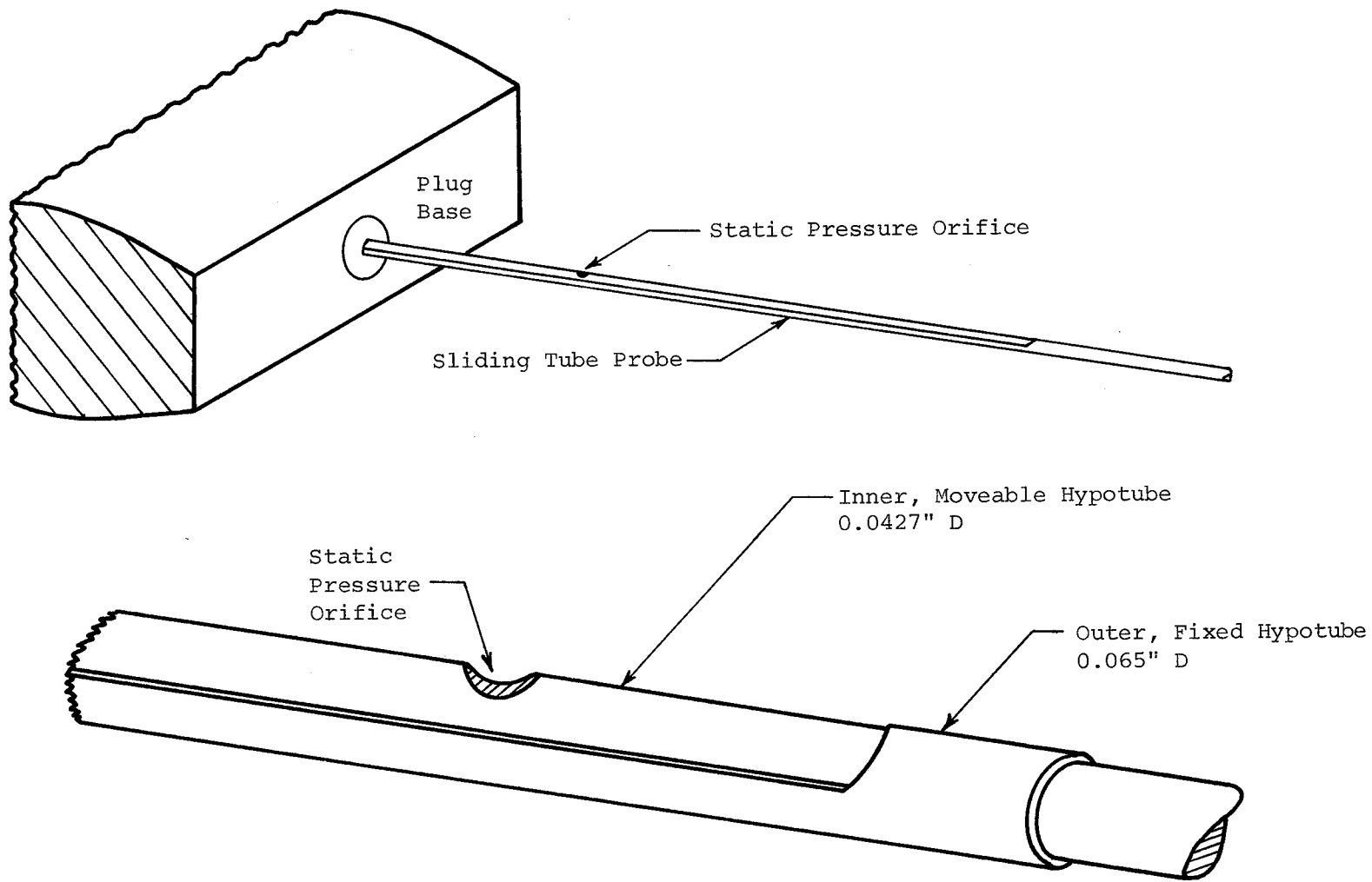


Fig. 7. Schematic of Sliding Tube Static Pressure Probe.

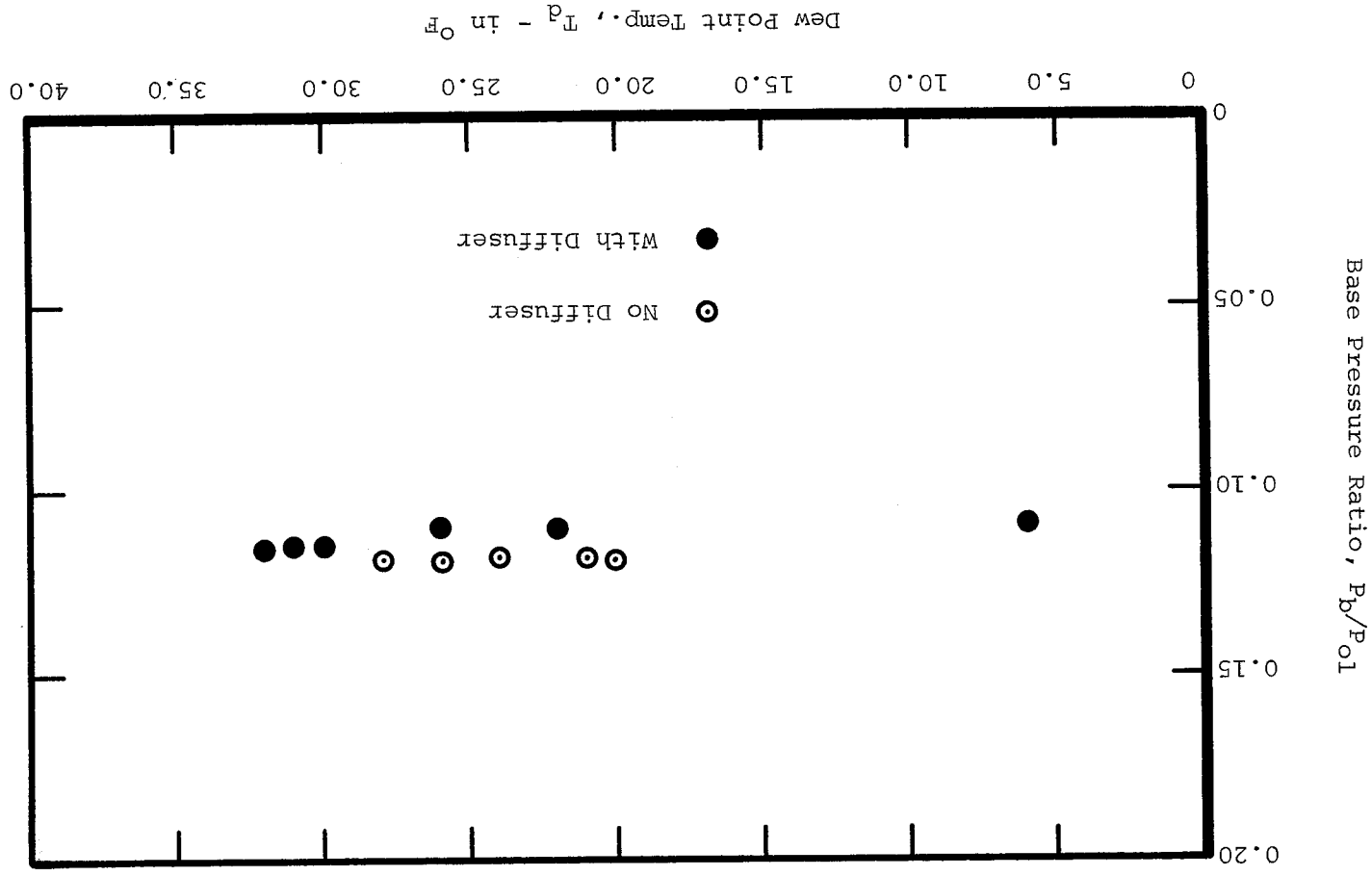


Fig. 8. Effect of Water Vapor Condensation on "Closed Wake" Base Pressure.

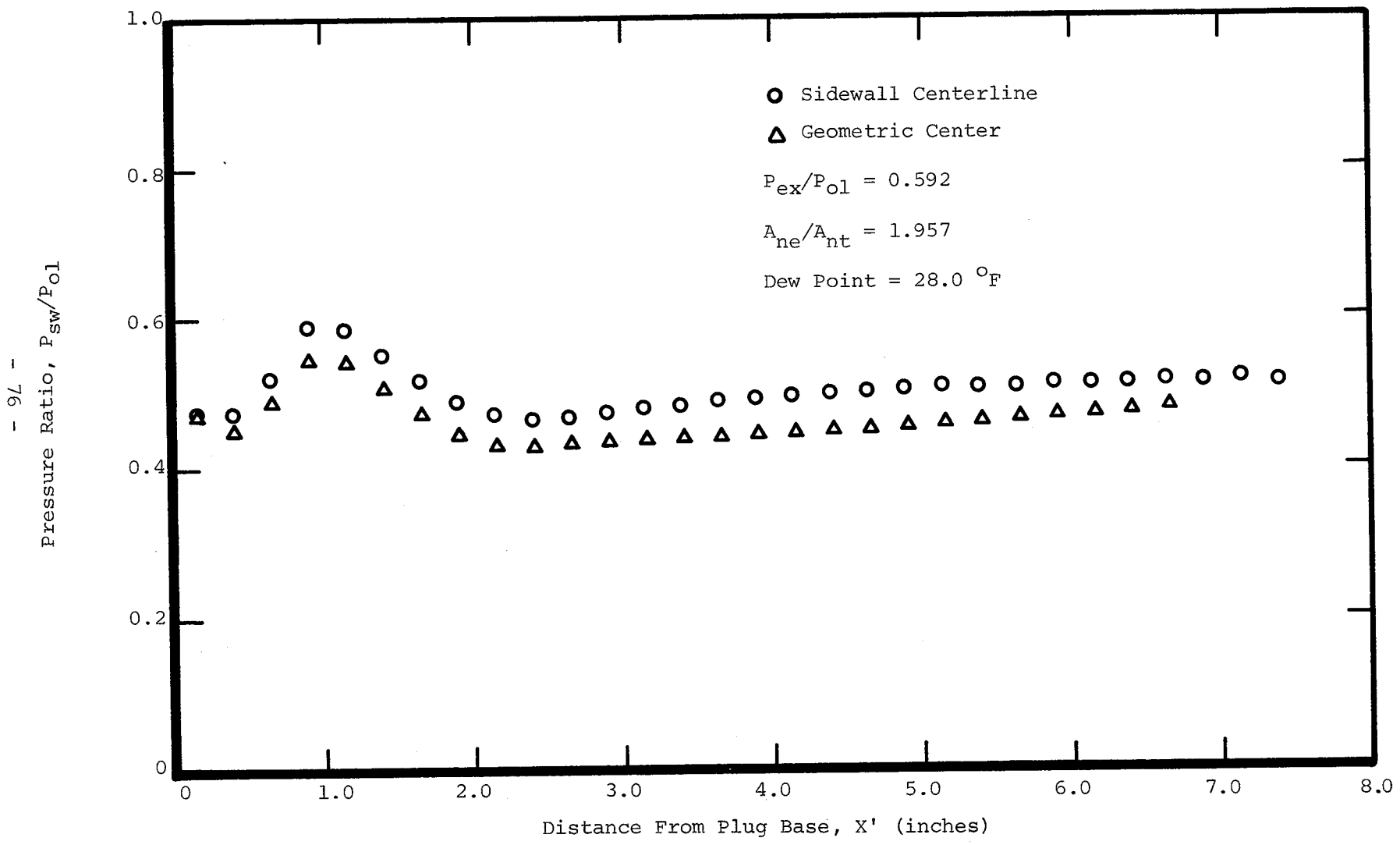


Fig. 9. Comparison of Sidewall Centerline and Geometric Center Static Pressure Distributions ("Open Wake").



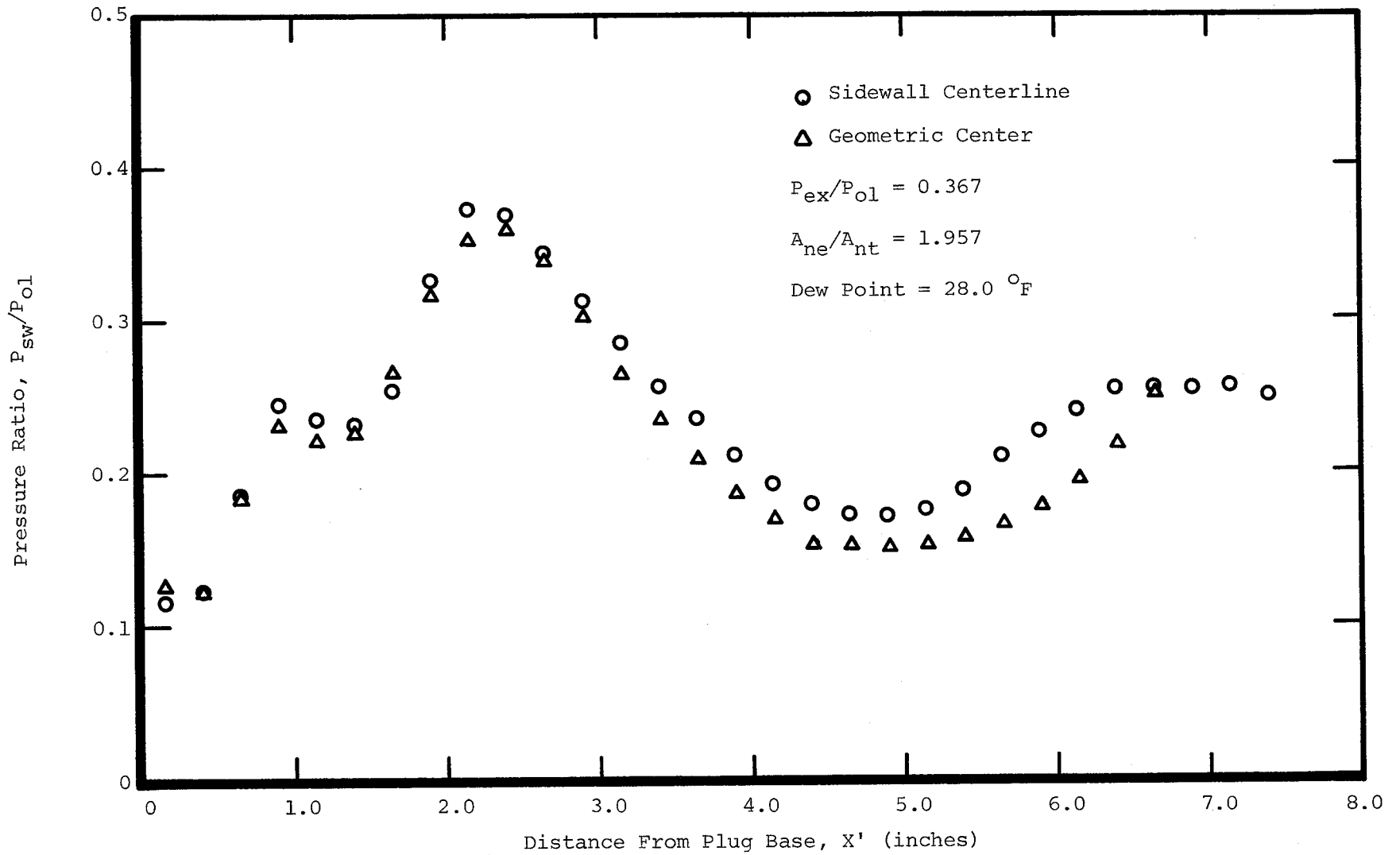


Fig. 10. Comparison of Sidewall Centerline and Geometric Center Static Pressure Distributions ("Closed Wake").

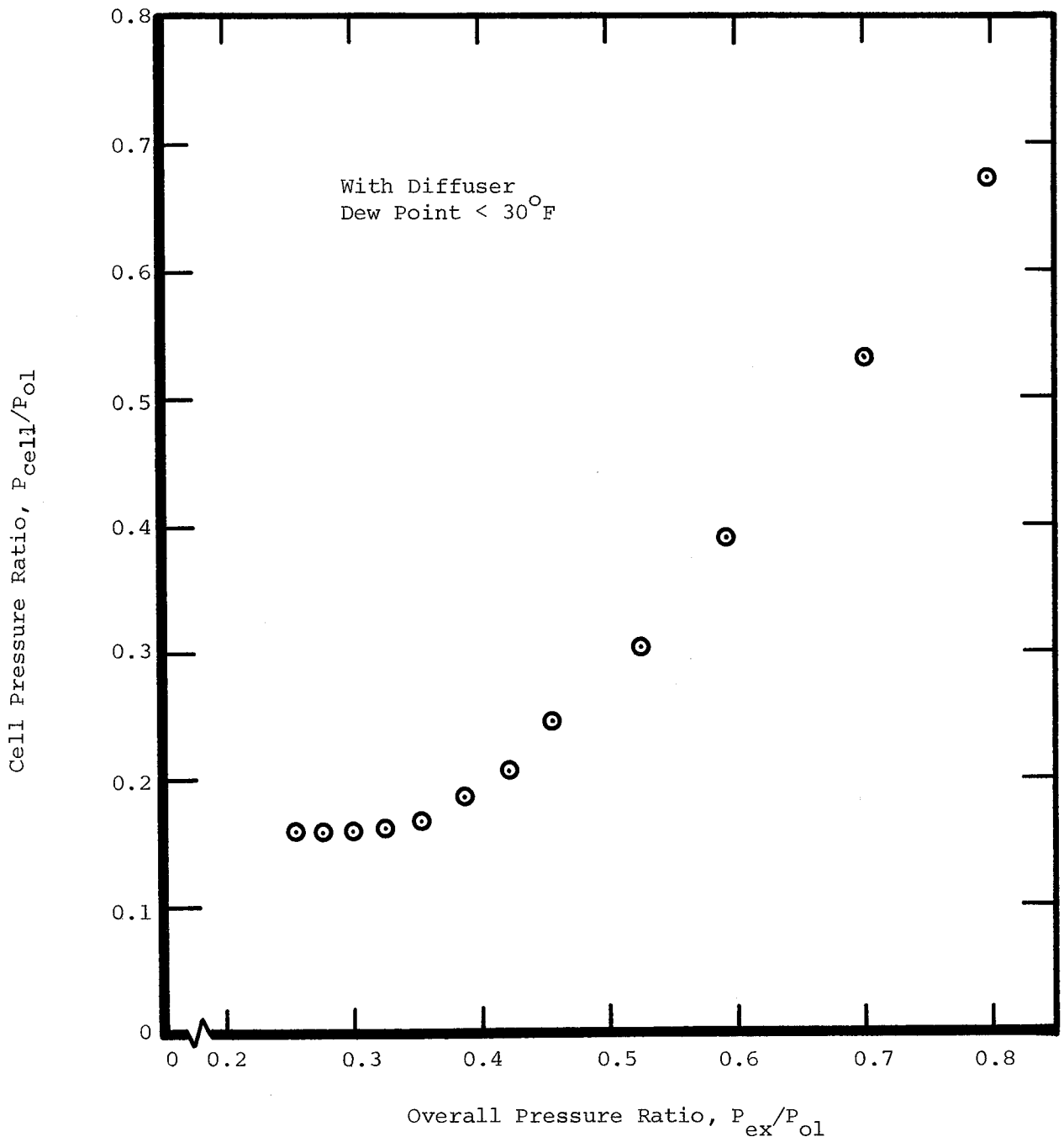


Fig. 11. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle-Diffuser System Operating Characteristics.

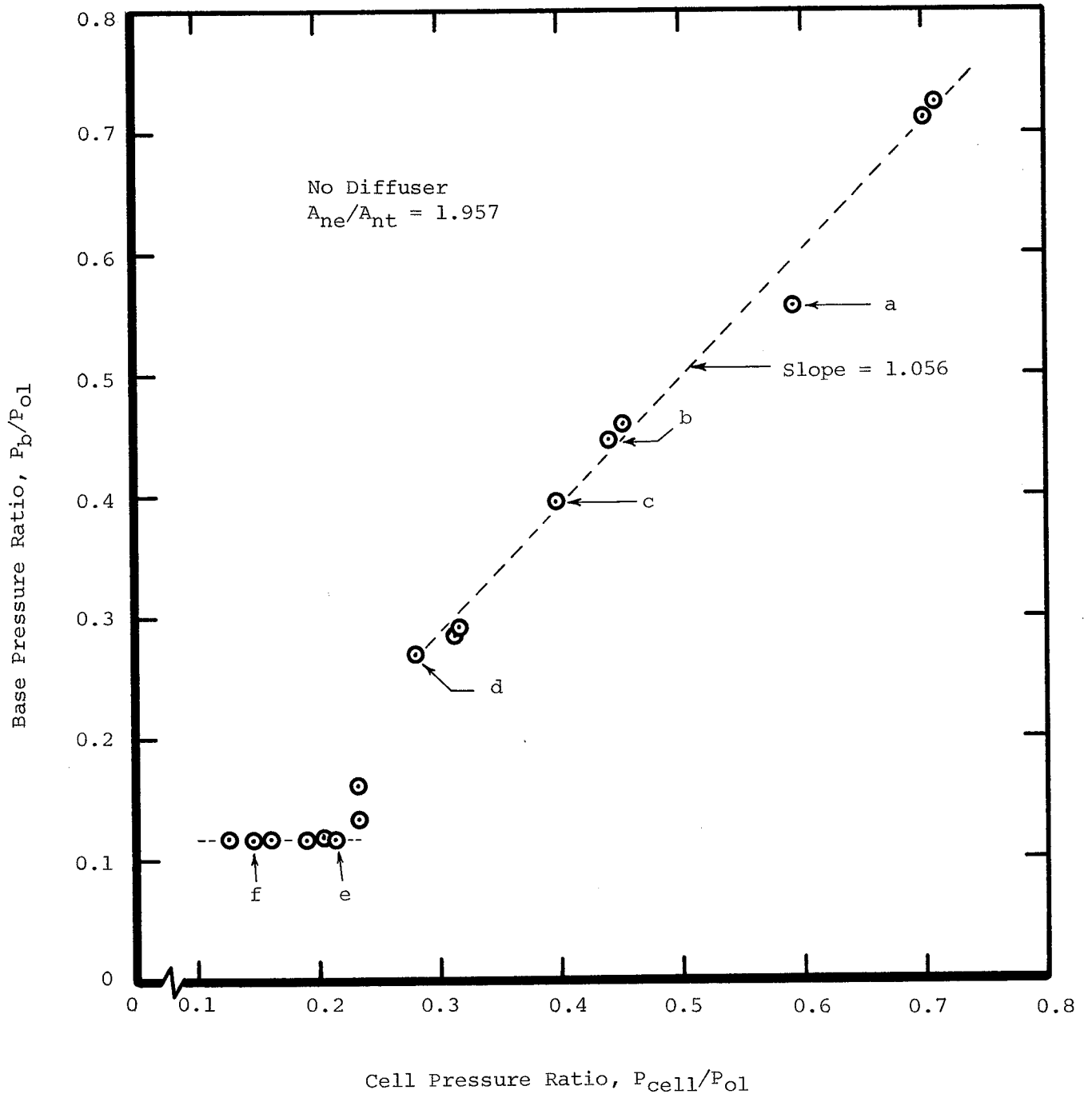


Fig. 12. Variation of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Base Pressure Ratio with Cell Pressure Ratio with No Diffuser.

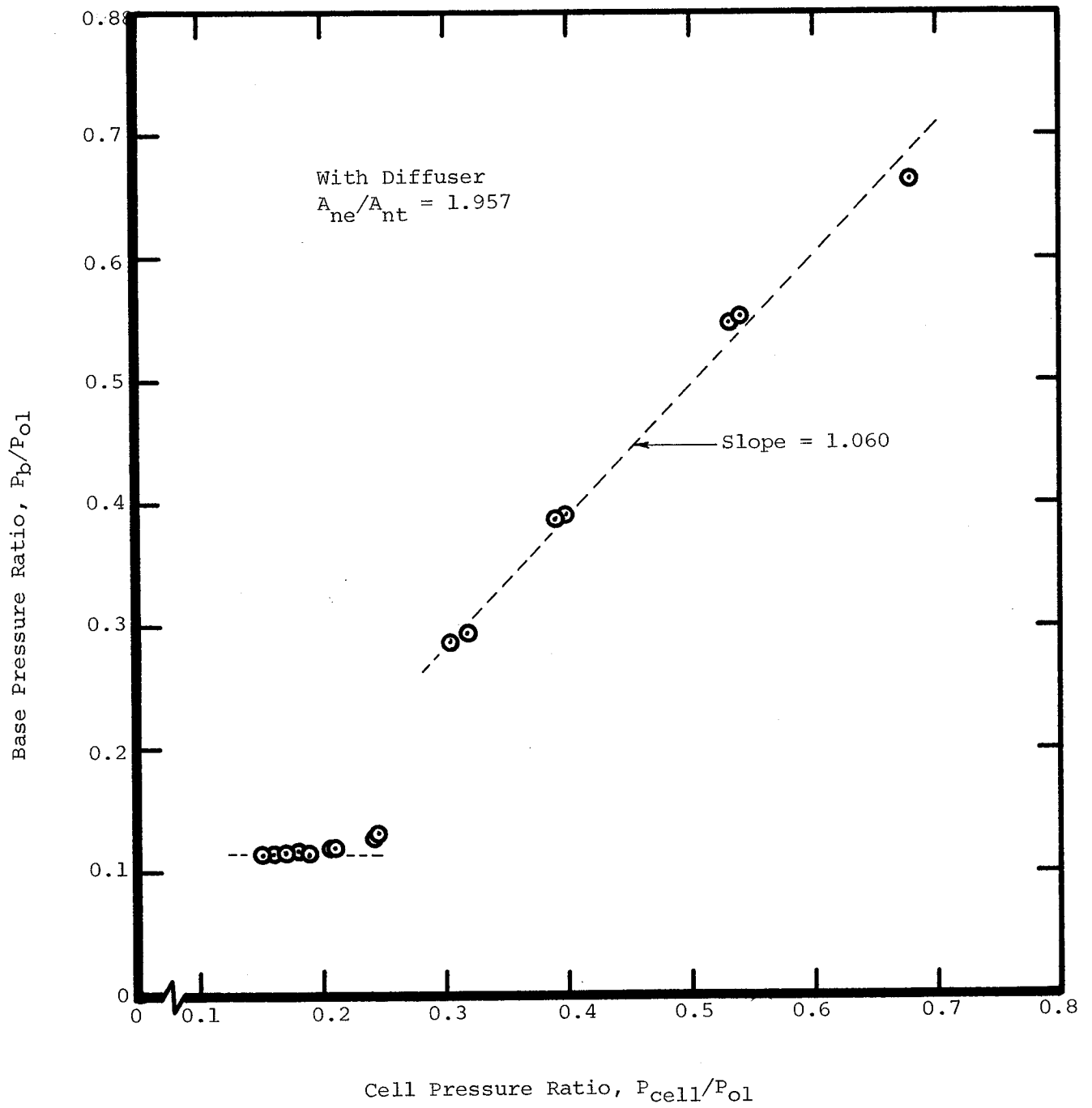


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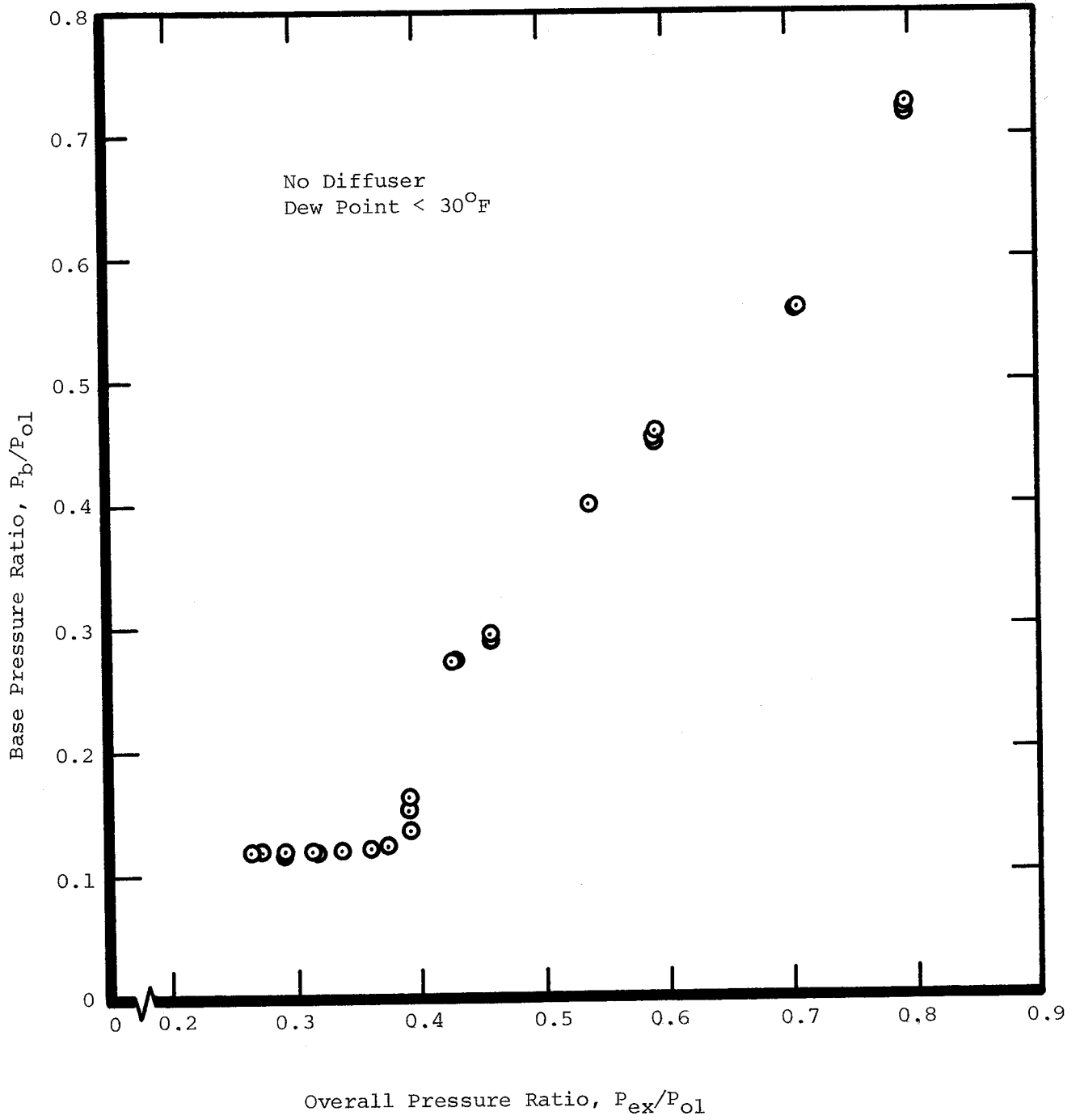


Fig. 14. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Base Pressure Characteristics with no Diffuser.

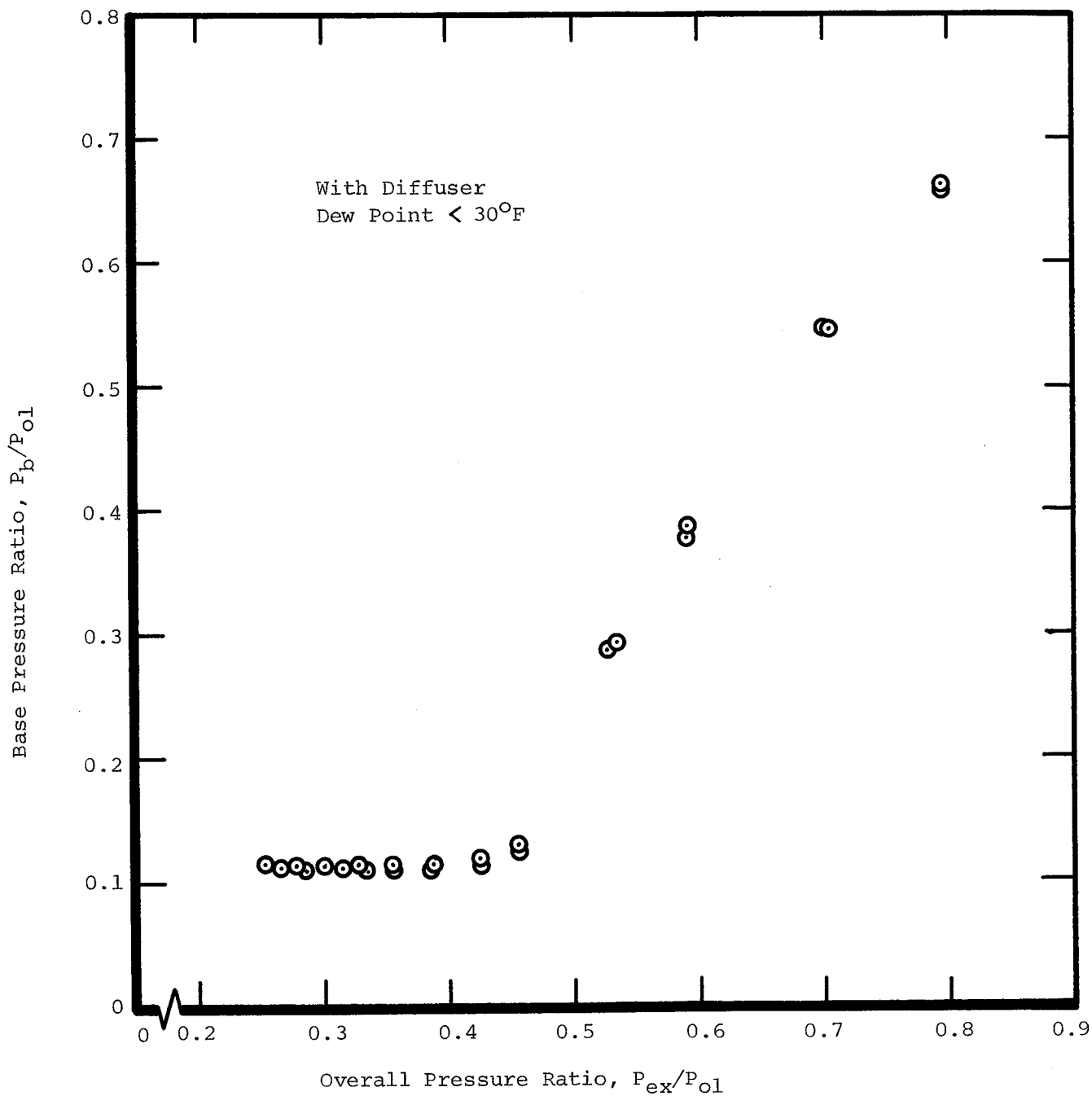


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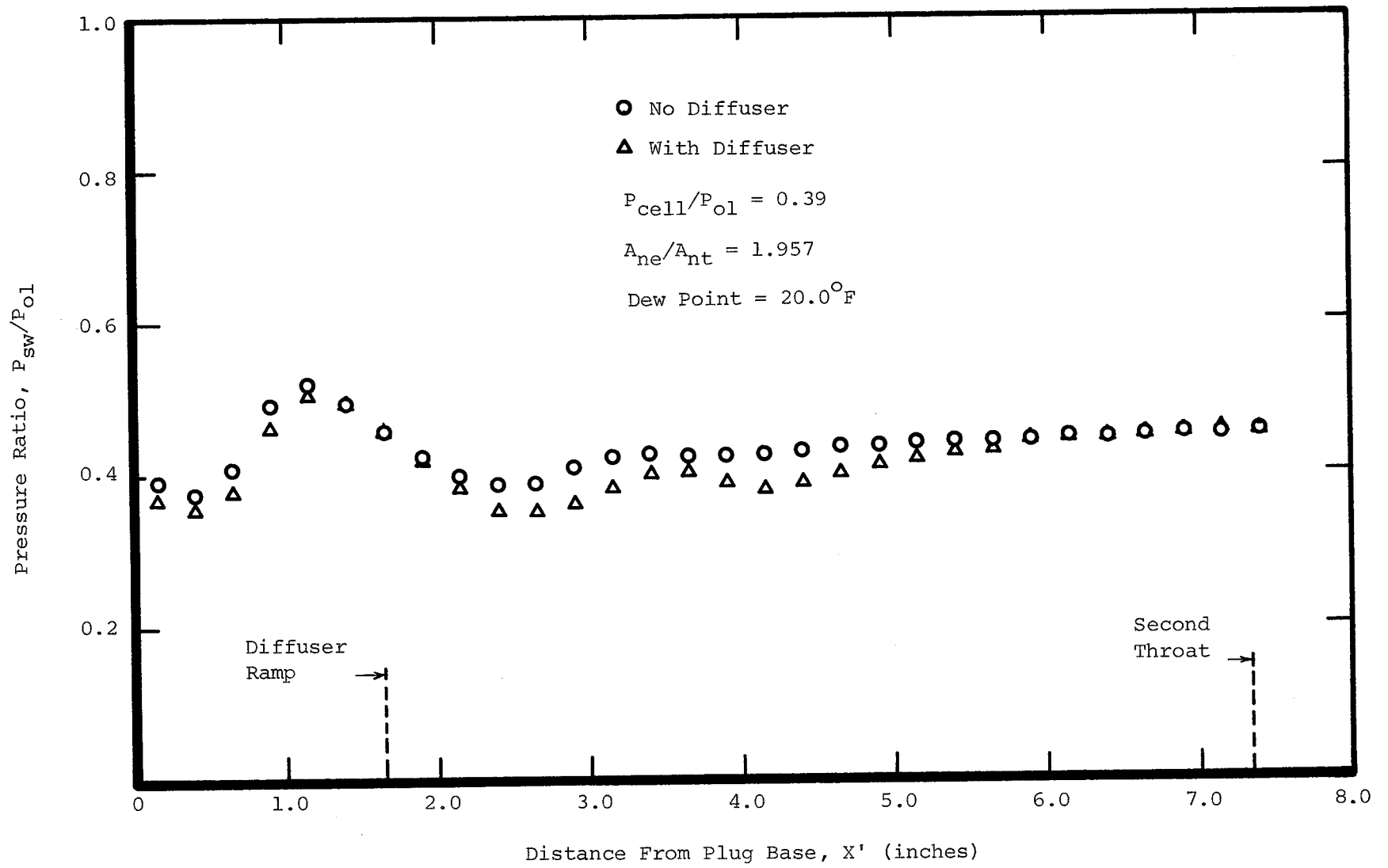


Fig. 16. Diffuser Effect on Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure for "Open Wake" Operation.

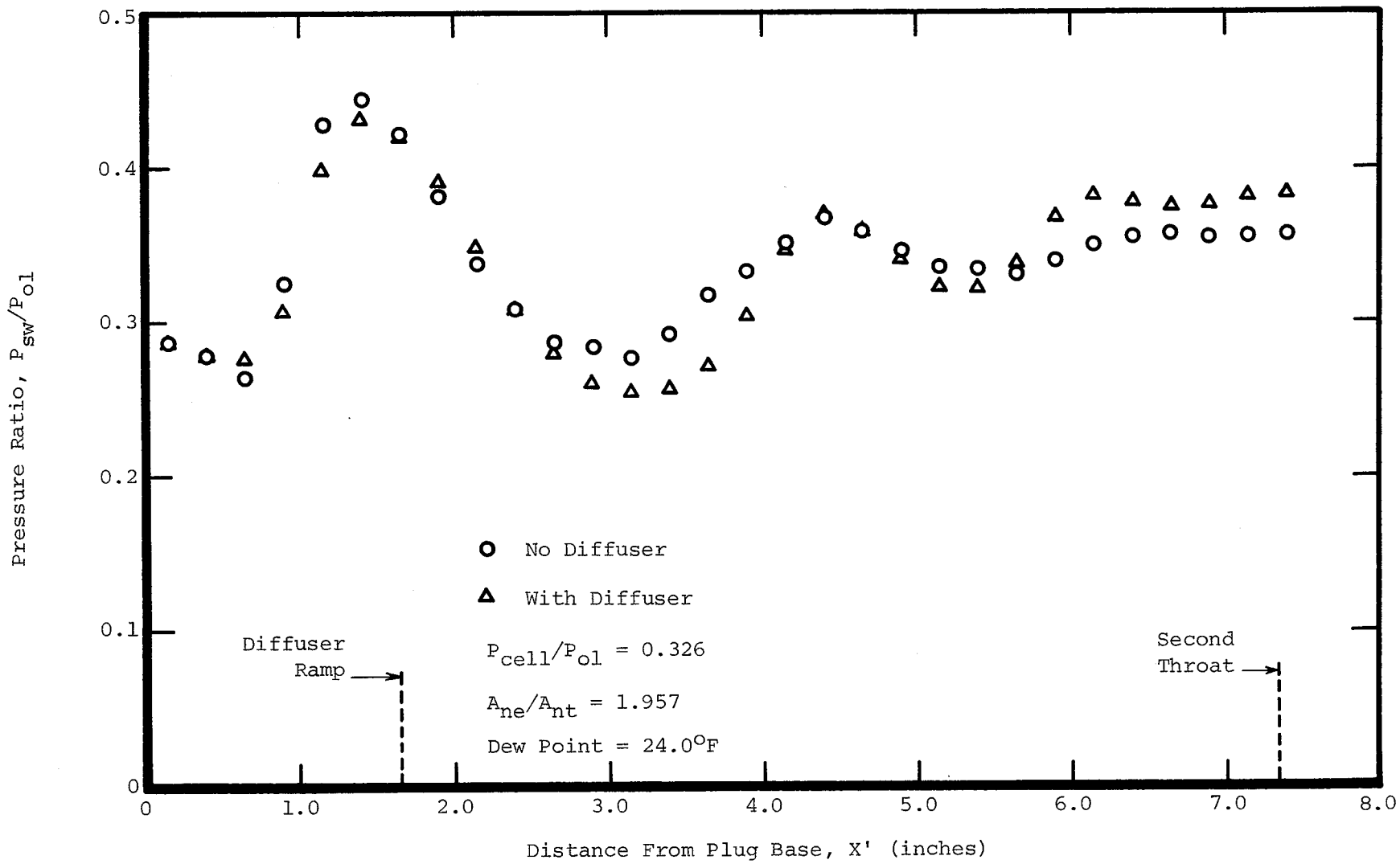


Fig. 17. Diffuser Effect on Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure for "Open Wake" Operation.



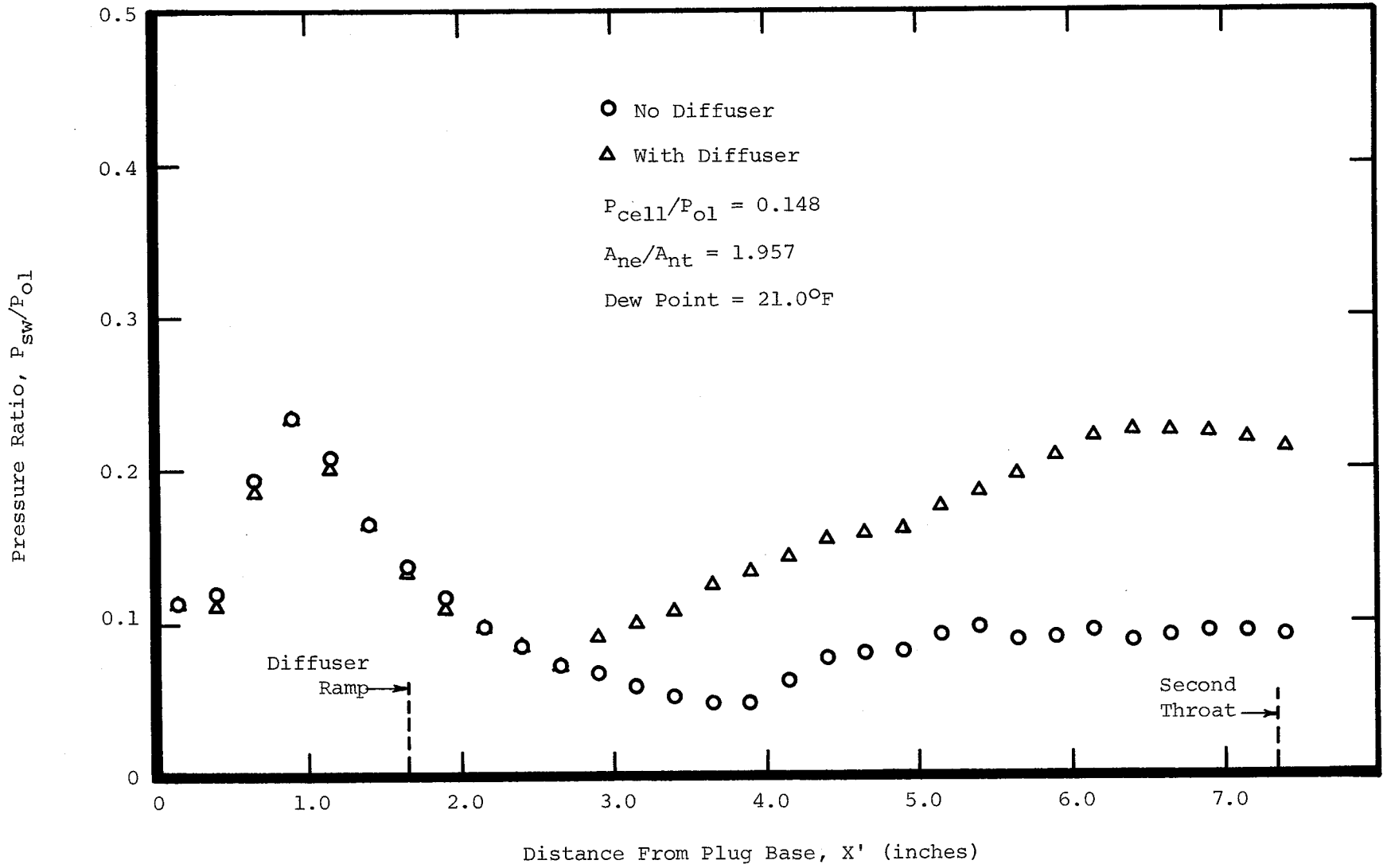
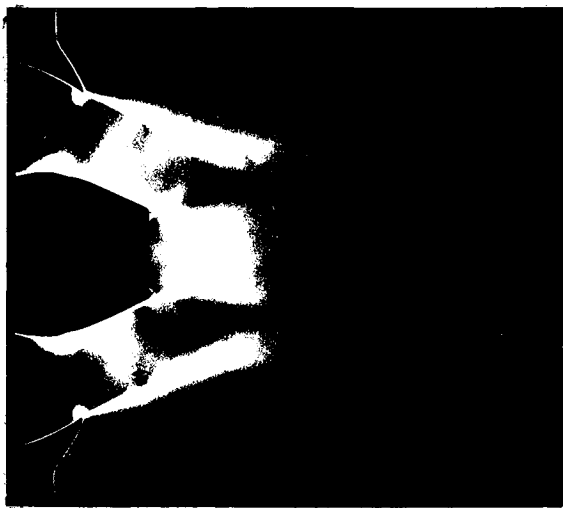
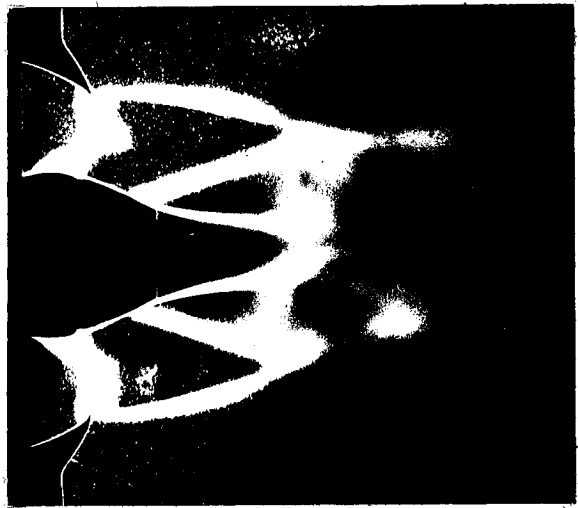


Fig. 18. Diffuser Effect on Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure for "Closed Wake" Operation.



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d.)  $P_{\text{cell}}/P_{01} = 0.282$



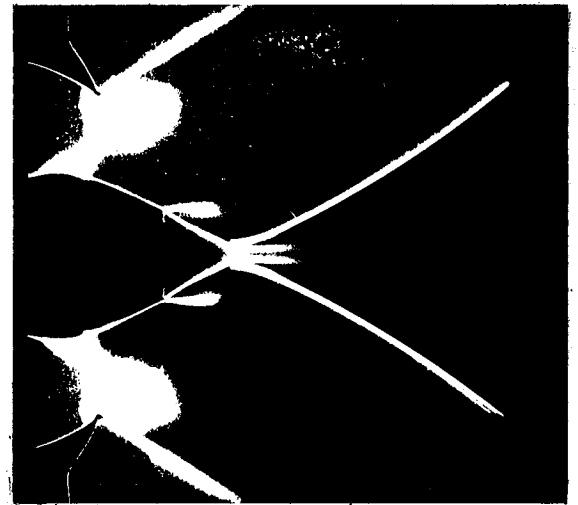
b.)  $P_{\text{cell}}/P_{01} = 0.444$



e.)  $P_{\text{cell}}/P_{01} = 0.215$

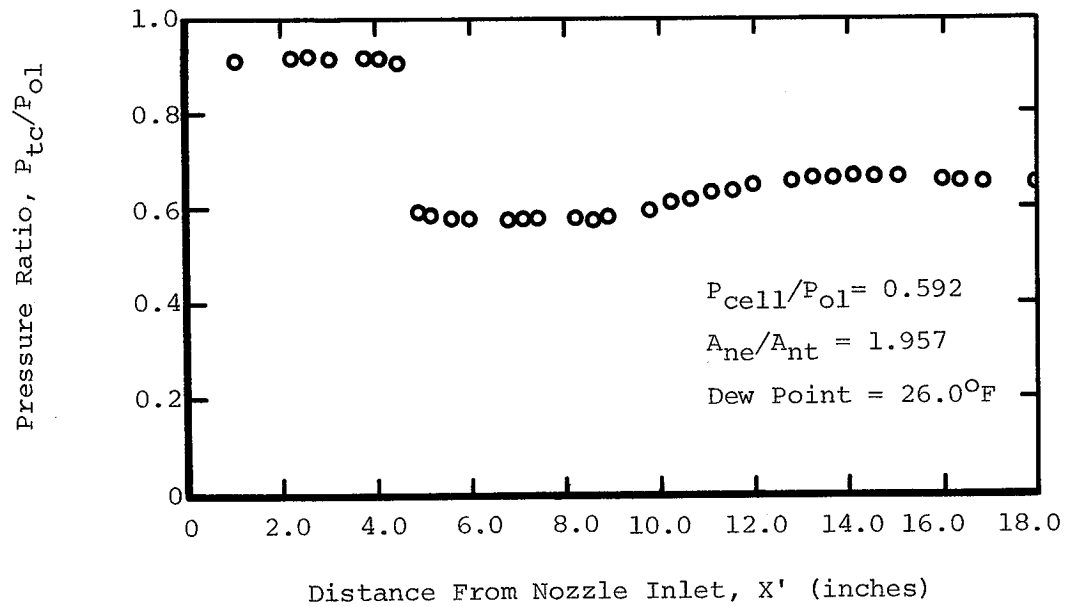


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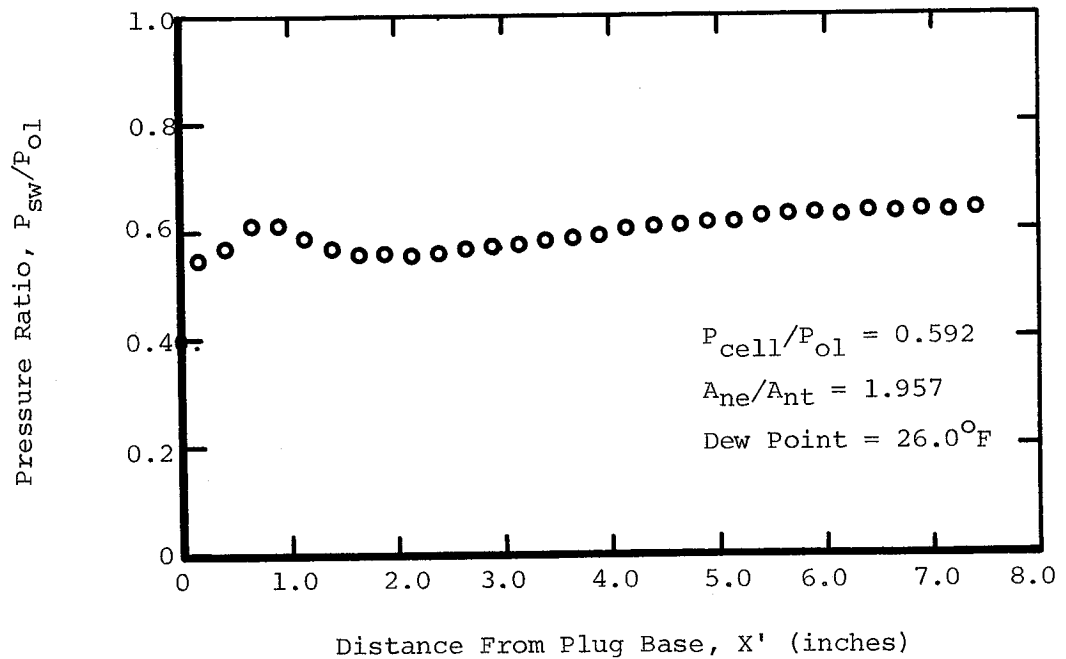


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Fig. 19. Schlieren Photographic Sequence for Truncated Plug Nozzle Flow Development.

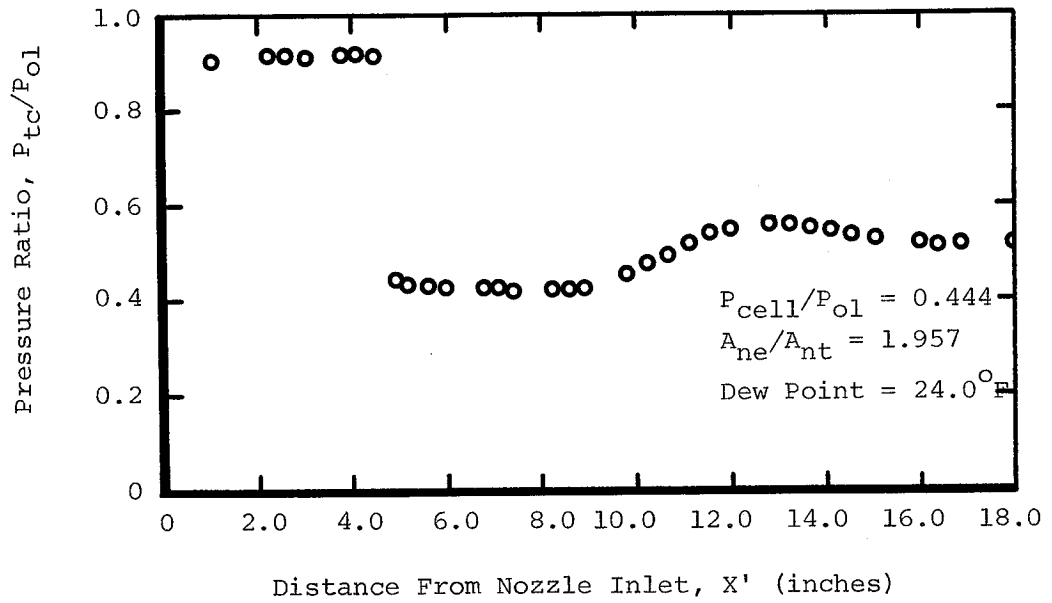


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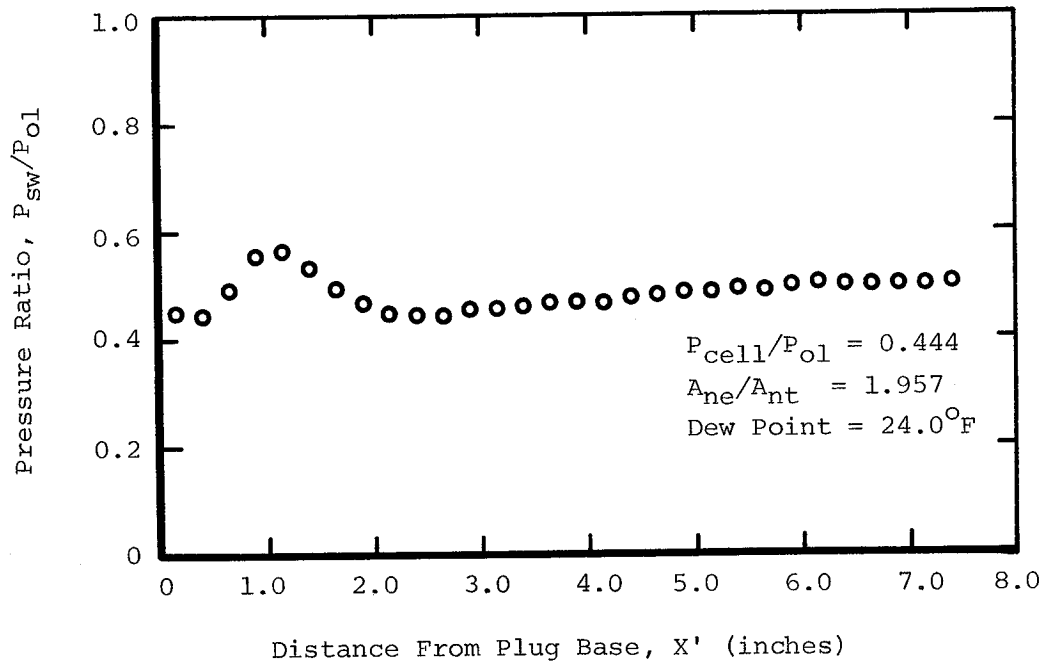


b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 20. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19a and Point a in Fig. 12.

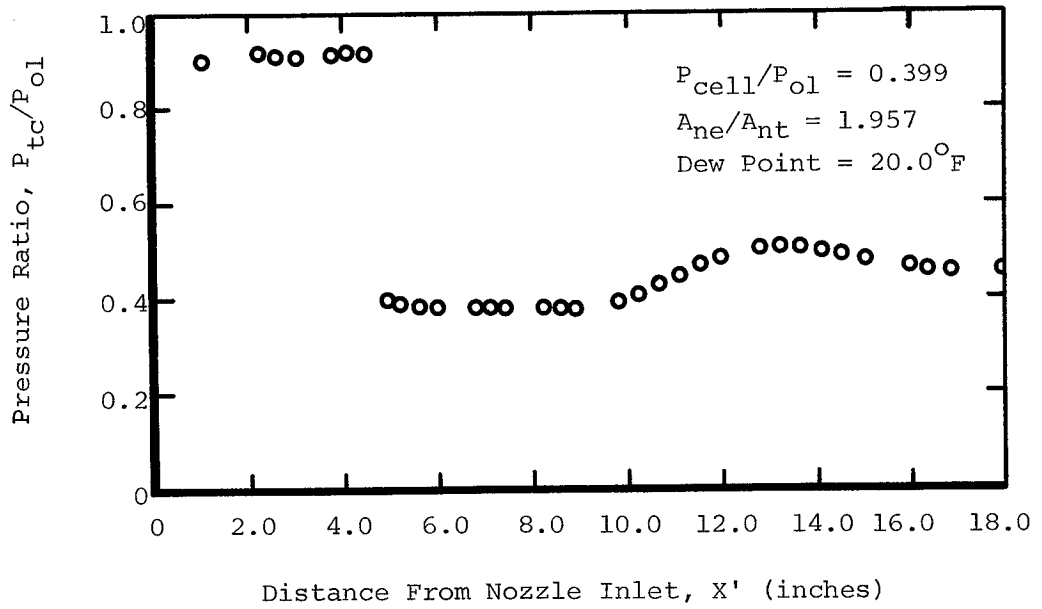


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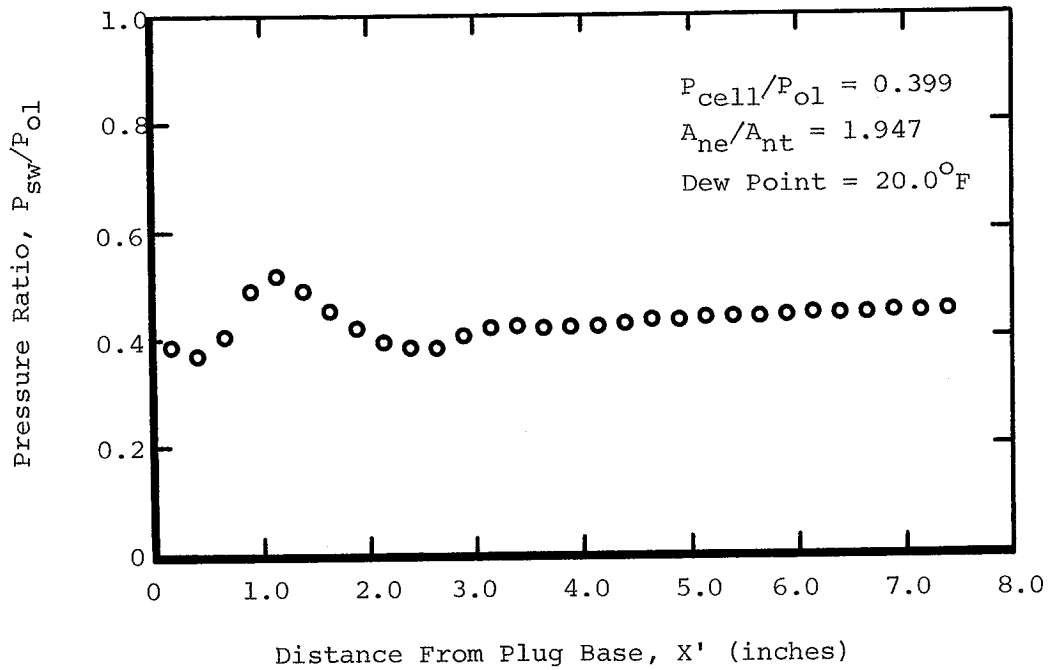


b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 21. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19b and Point b in Fig. 12.

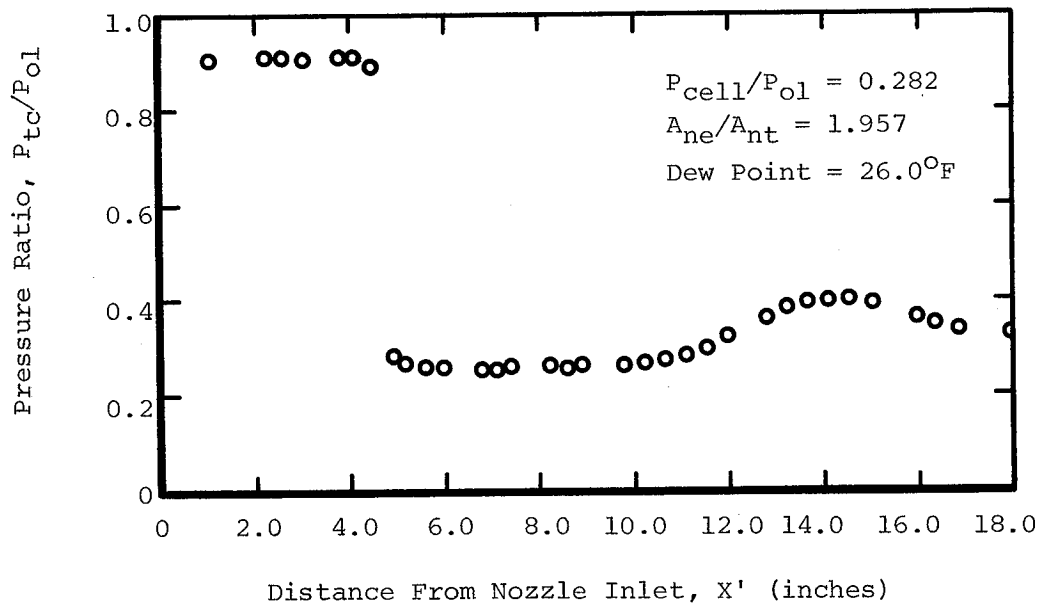


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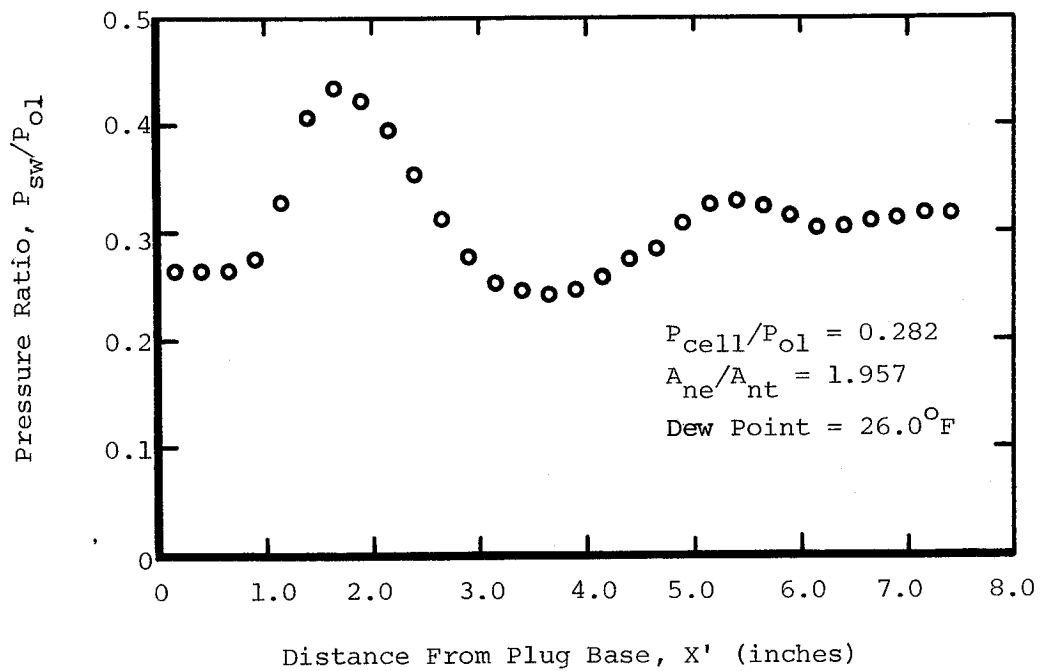


b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 22. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19c and Point c in Fig. 12.

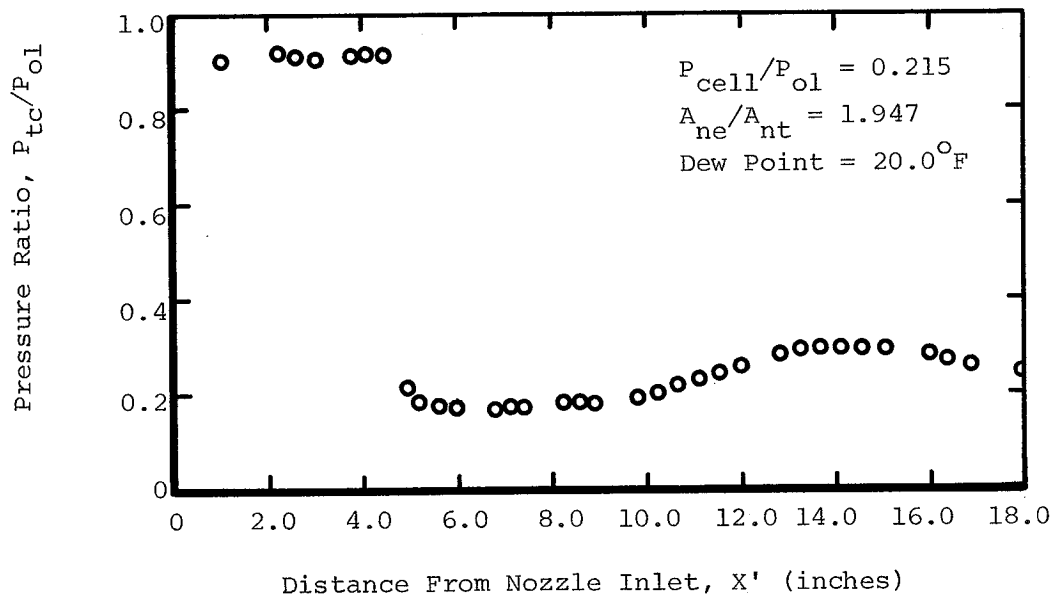


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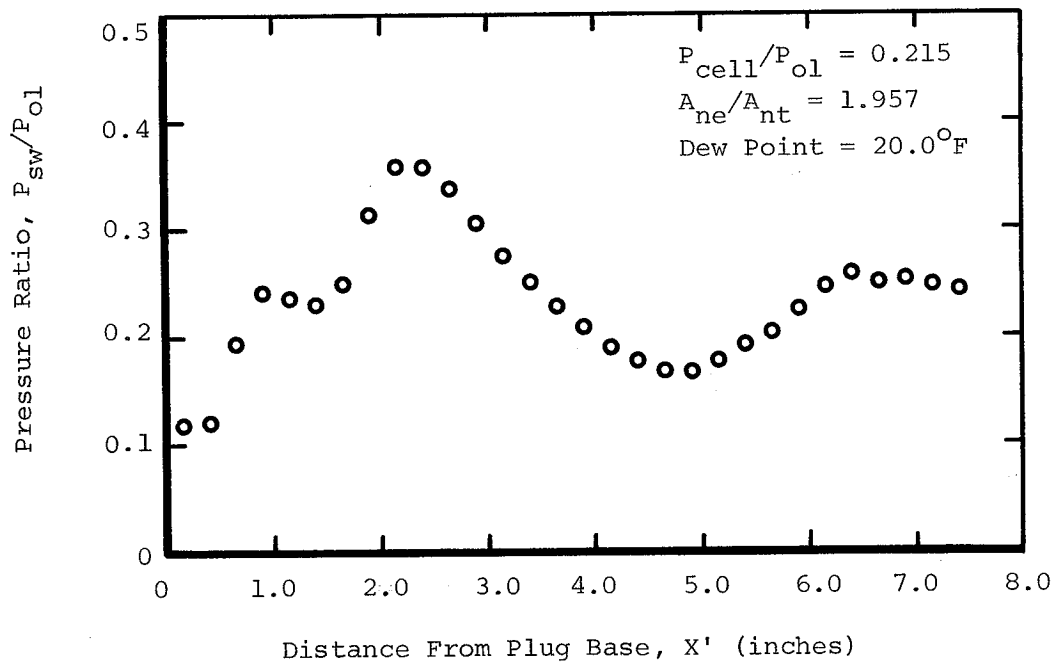


b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 23. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19d and Point d in Fig. 12.

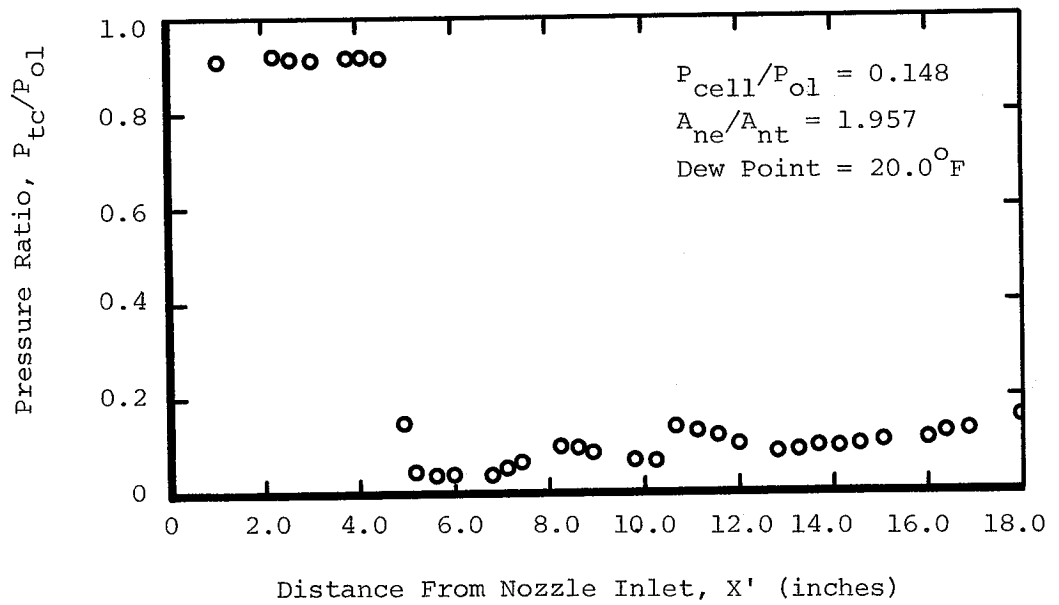


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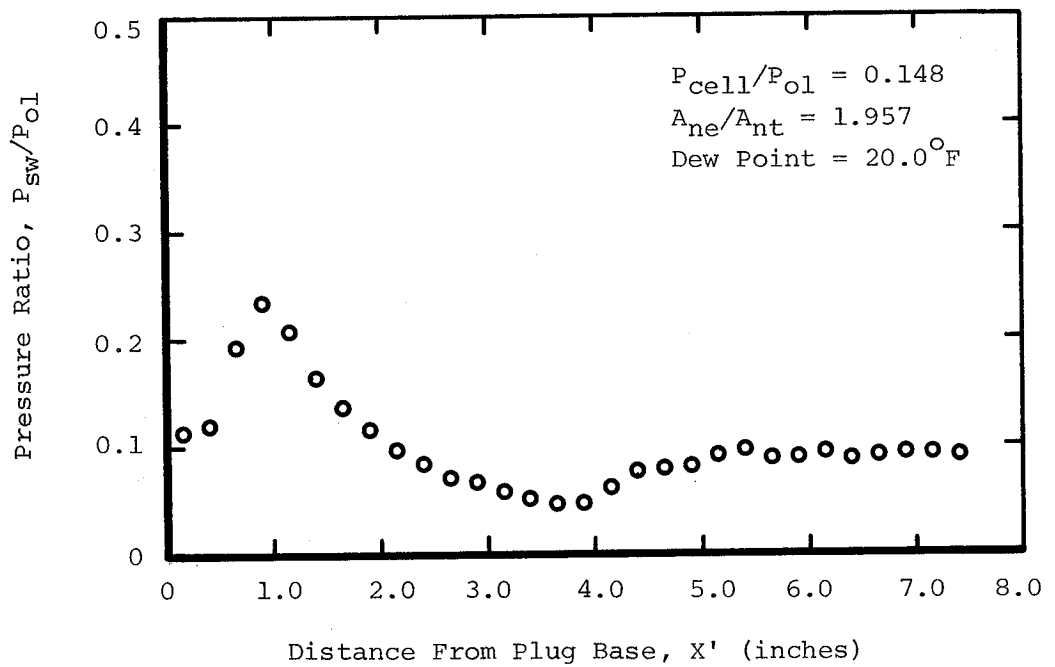


b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 24. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19e and Point e in Fig. 12.



a.) Top Contour Static Pressure Variation.



b.) Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation.

Fig. 25. Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Static Pressure Distributions Corresponding to Fig. 19f and Point f in Fig. 12.





Fig. 26. Simultaneous Smokeline-Opaque-Stop Schlieren Photograph of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle Flow Field.

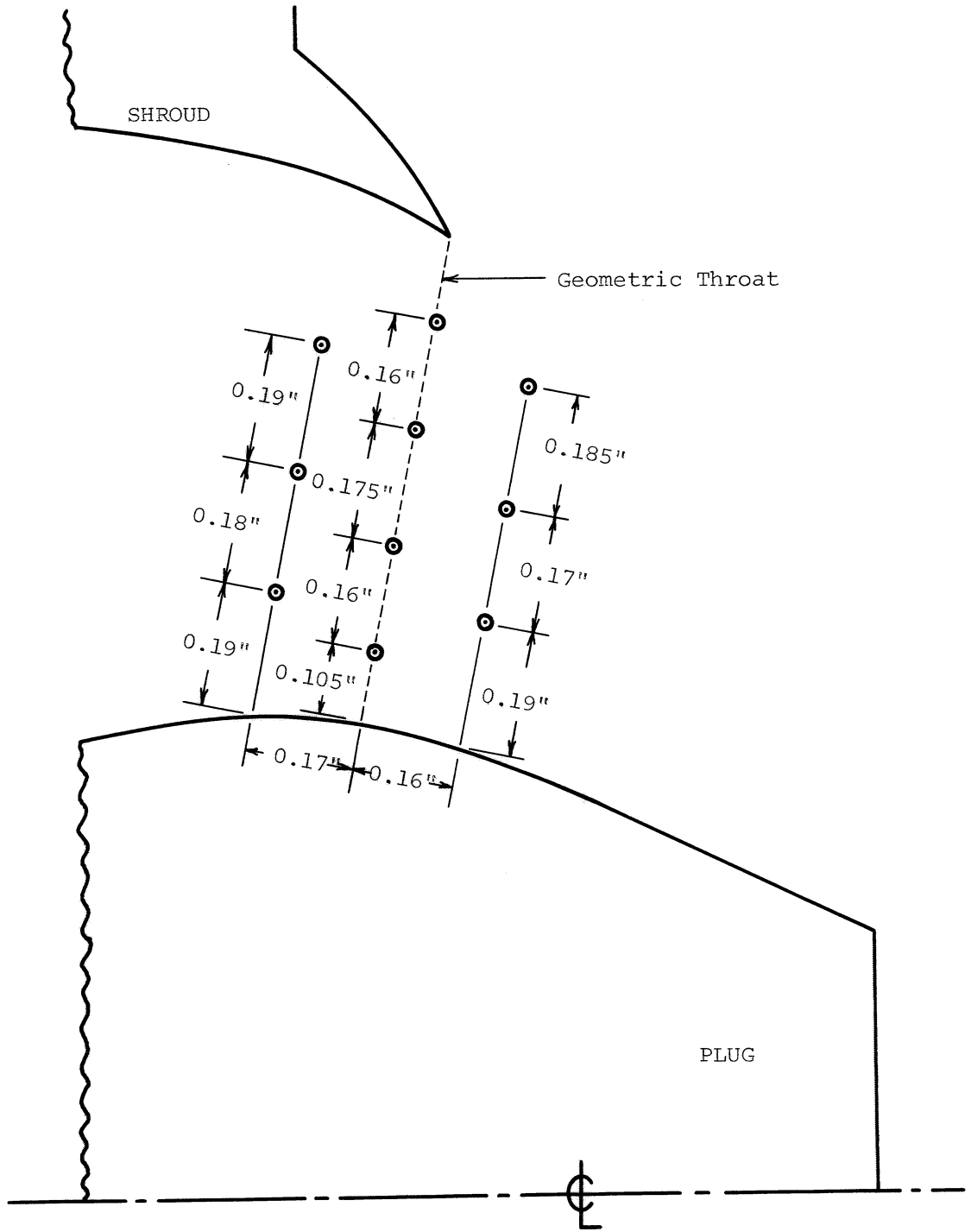
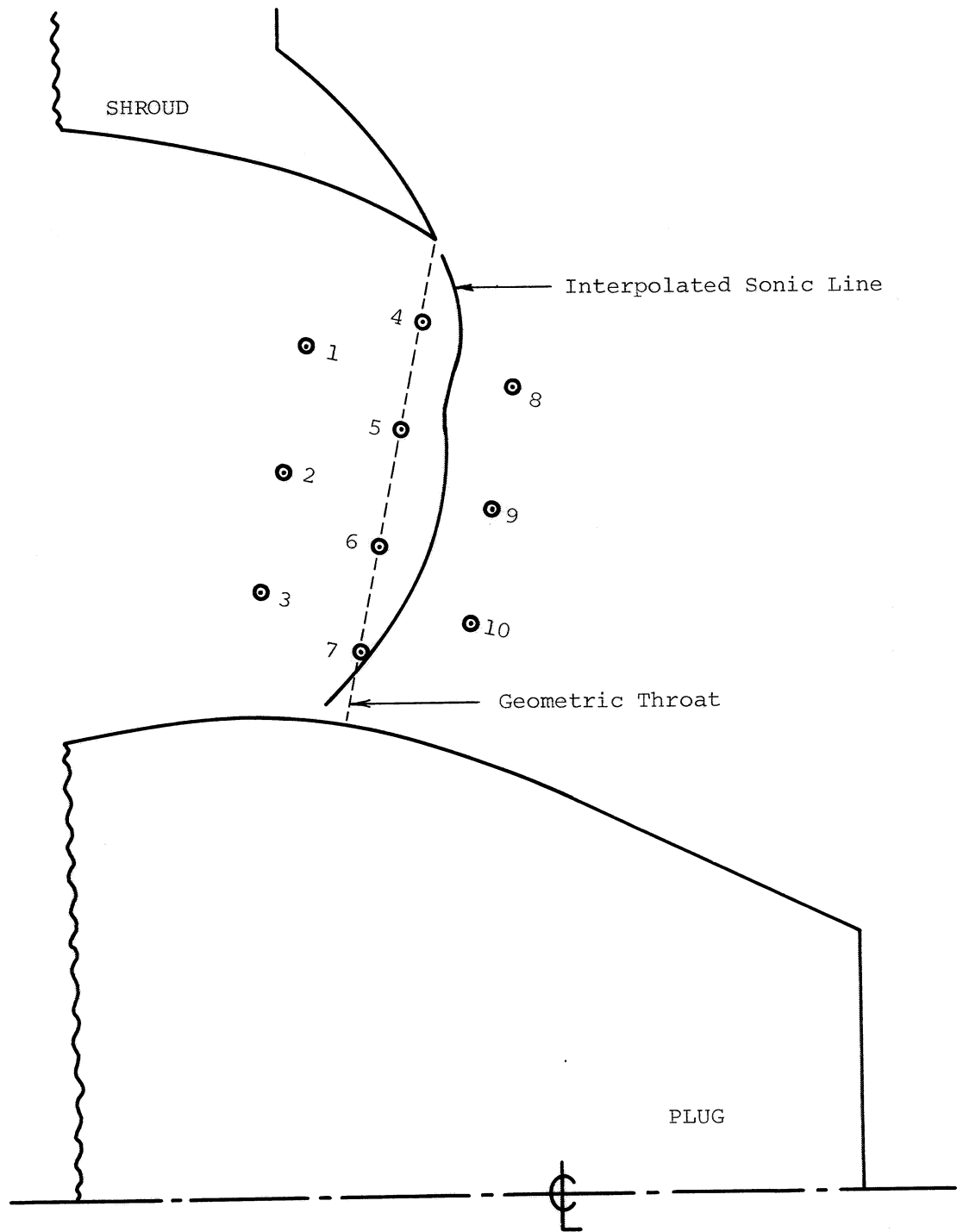


Fig. 27. Location of Sidewall Static Pressure Taps in Throat Region.



Pressure Tap	Mach No.	Pressure Tap	Mach No.
1	0.66	6	0.91
2	0.72	7	0.99
3	0.81	8	1.18
4	0.88	9	1.10
5	0.90	10	1.12

Fig. 28. Location of Interpolated Sonic Line with Respect to Geometric Throat

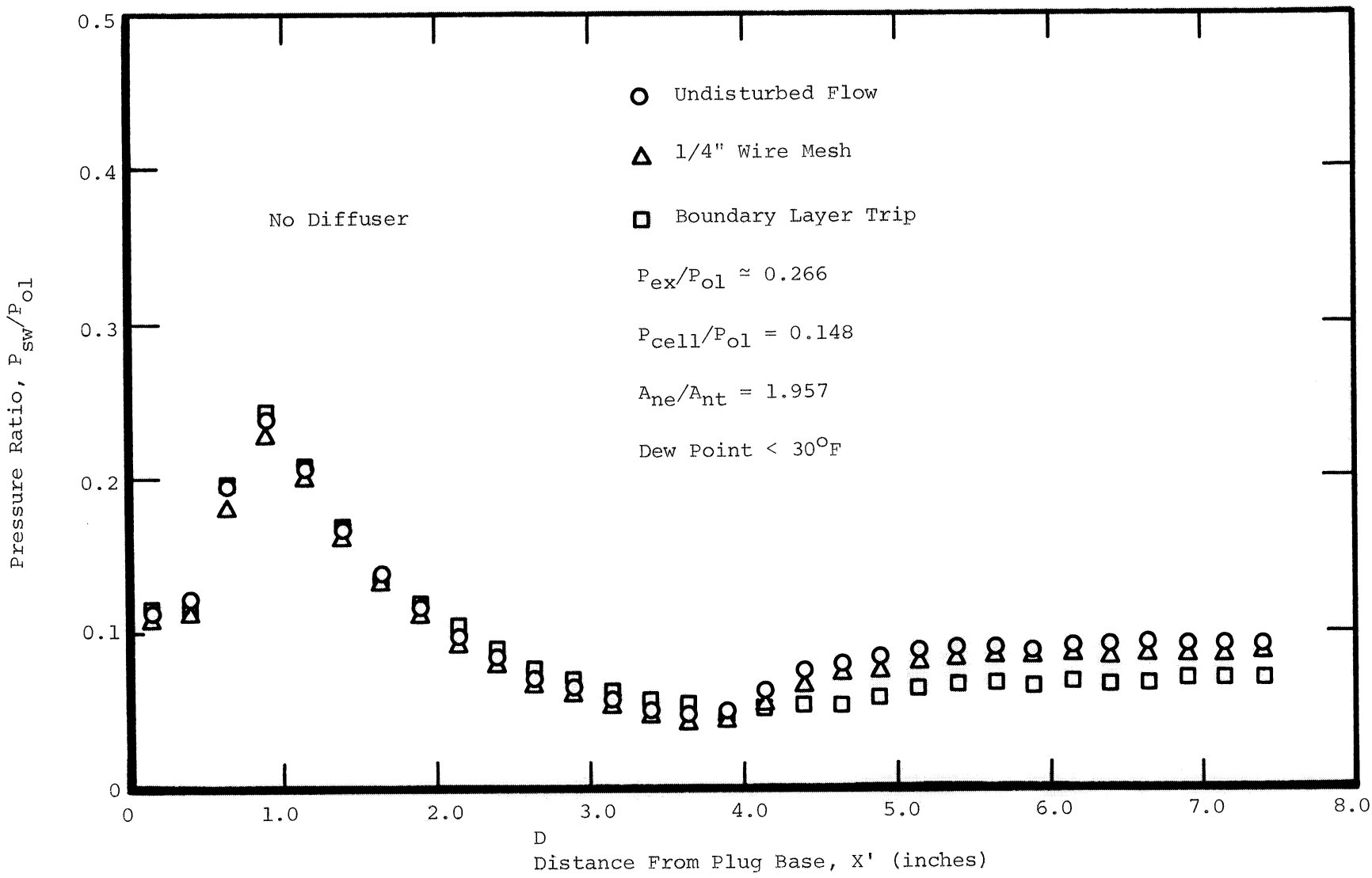
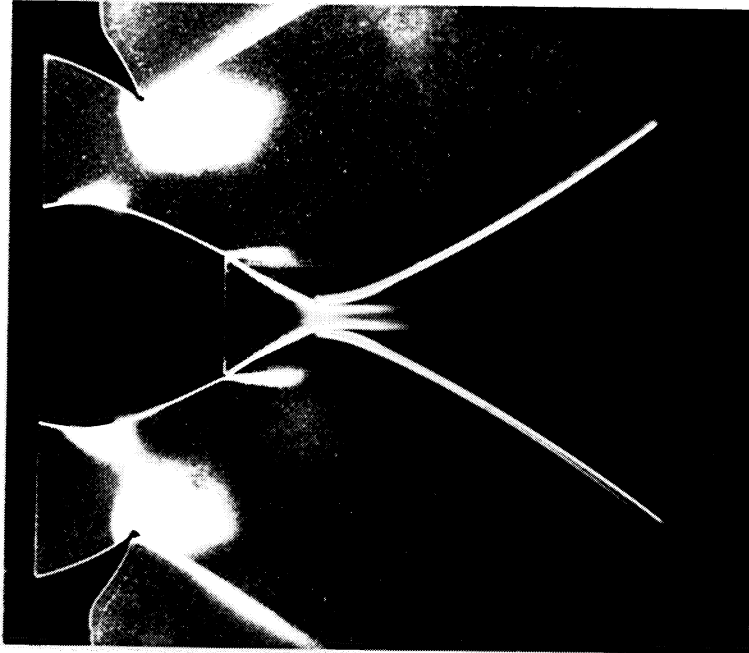
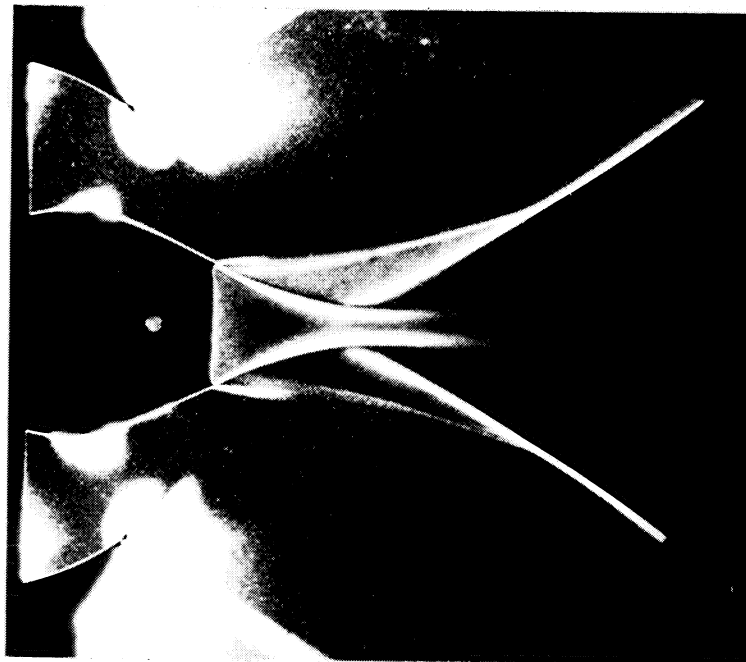


Fig. 29. Induced Turbulence Effects on Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure Variation of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle.



a.) No Base Bleed.



b.) Base Bleed 1.0% of Nozzle Flow

Fig. 30. Schlieren Photographs of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle With and Without Base Bleed.

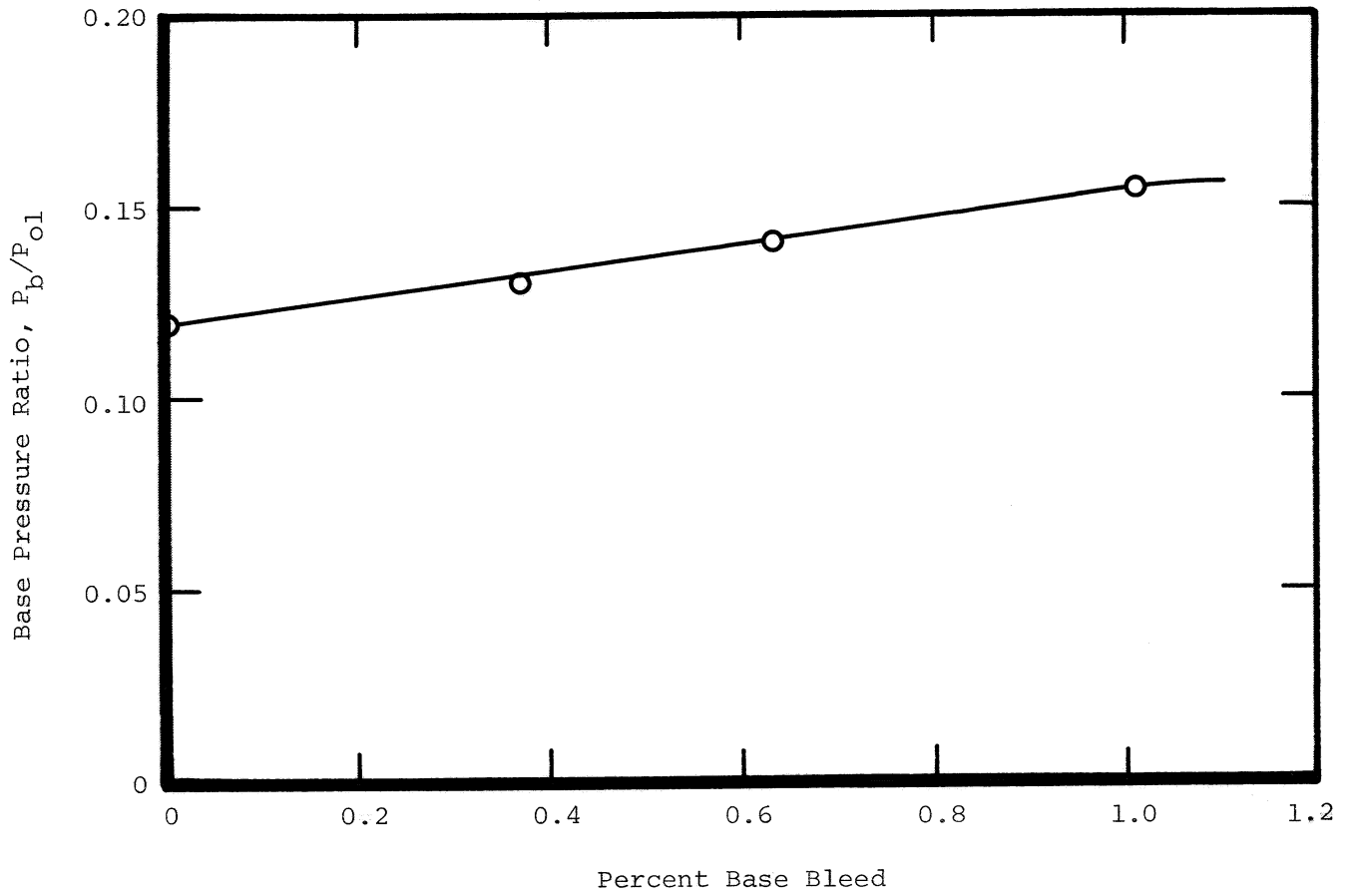


Fig. 31. Effect of Base Bleed on Base Pressure of Truncated Plug Nozzle.

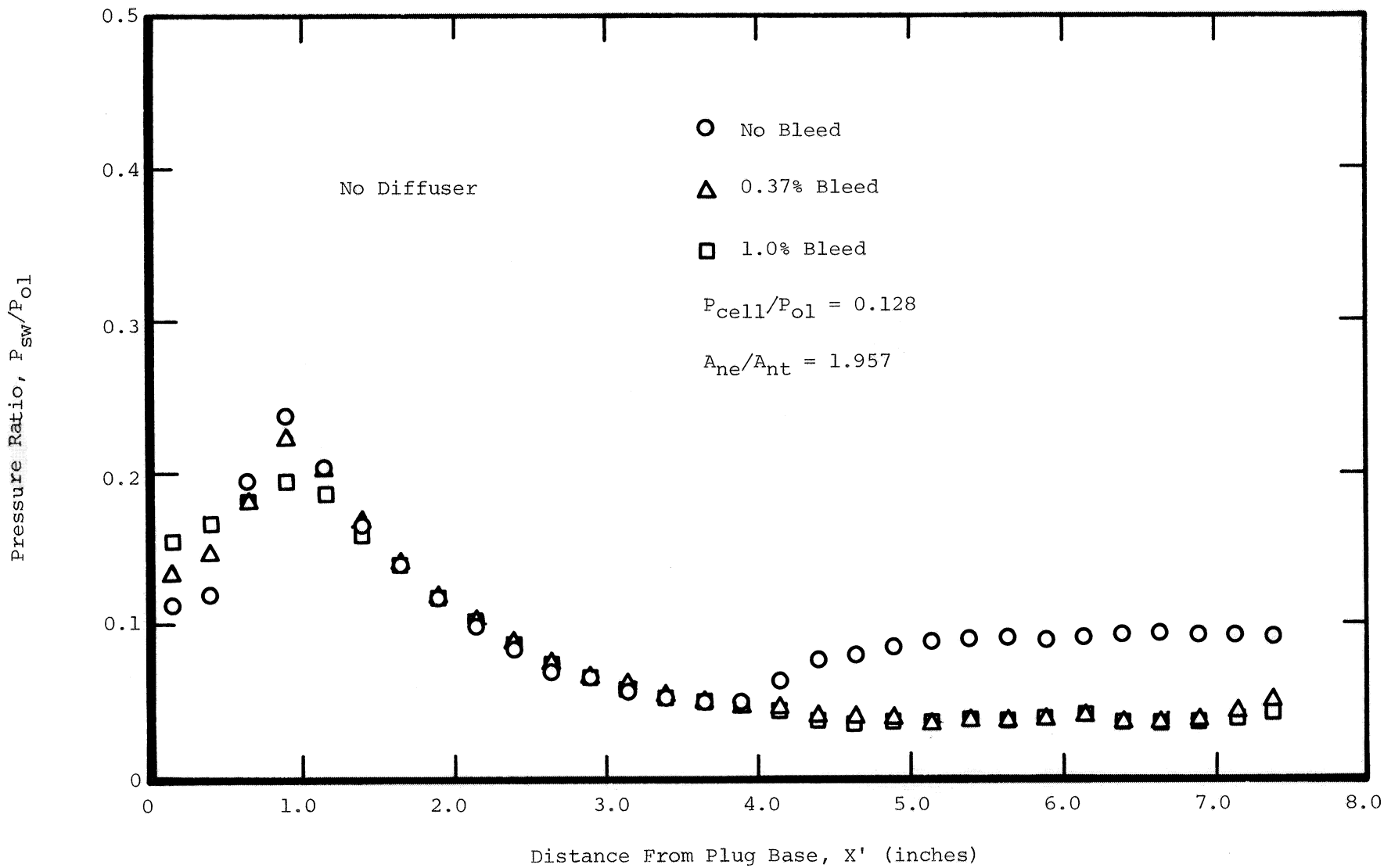


Fig. 32. Effect of Base Bleed on Sidewall Centerline Static Pressure of Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle.

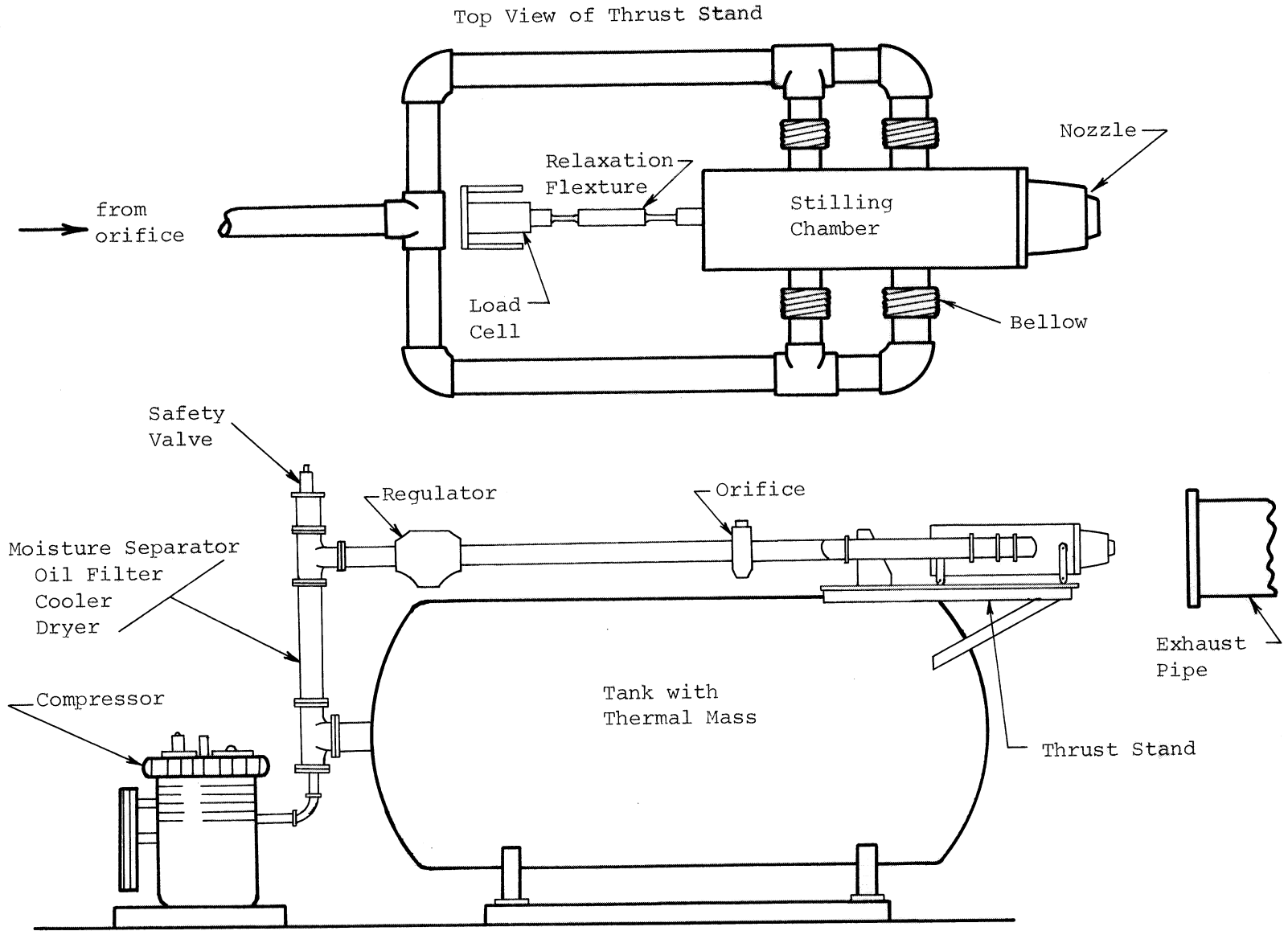


Fig. 33. Sketch of Nozzle Thrust Facility.



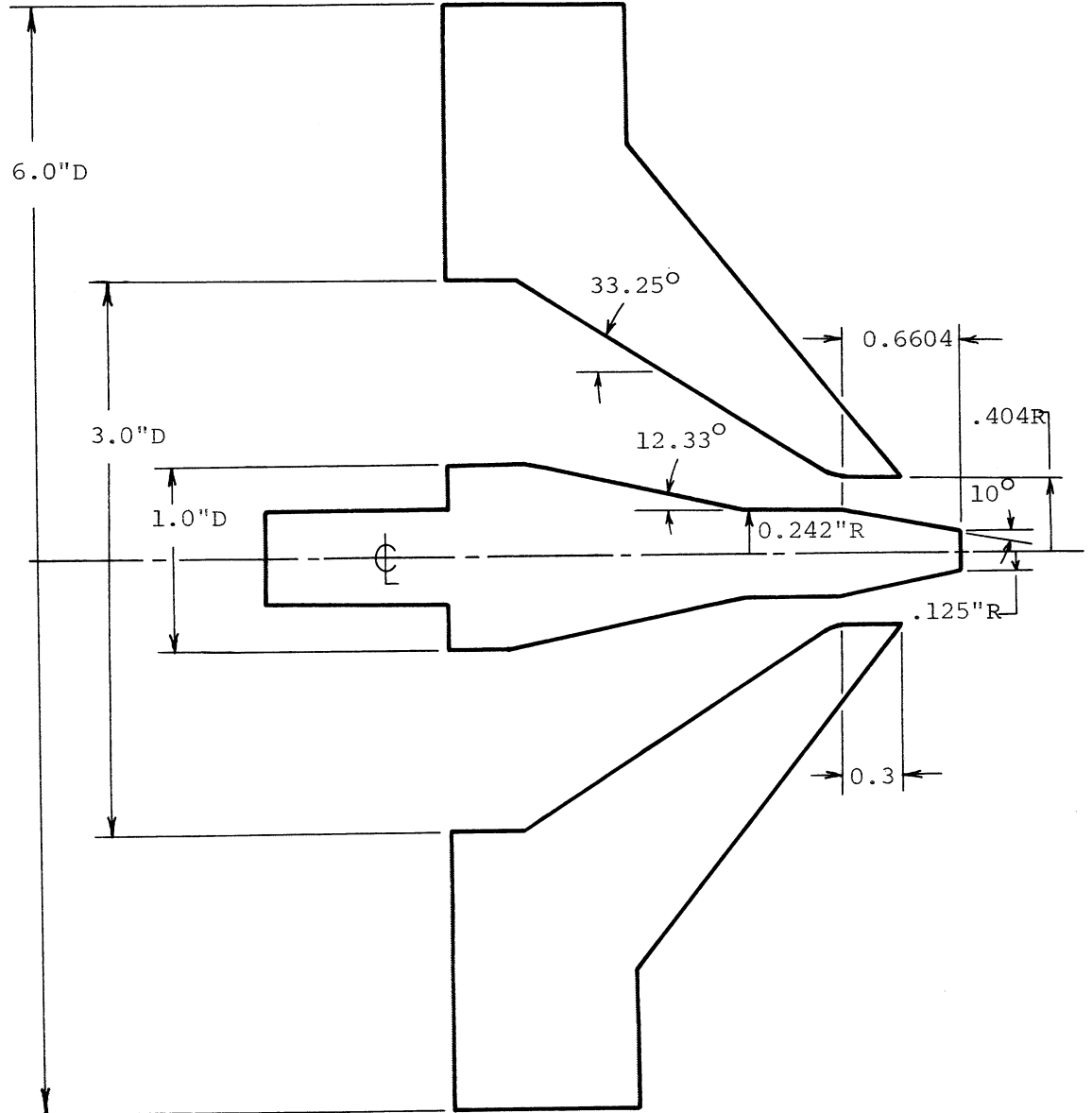


Fig. 34. Schematic of the Internal-External-Expansion Nozzle Designed for the Nozzle Thrust Facility.

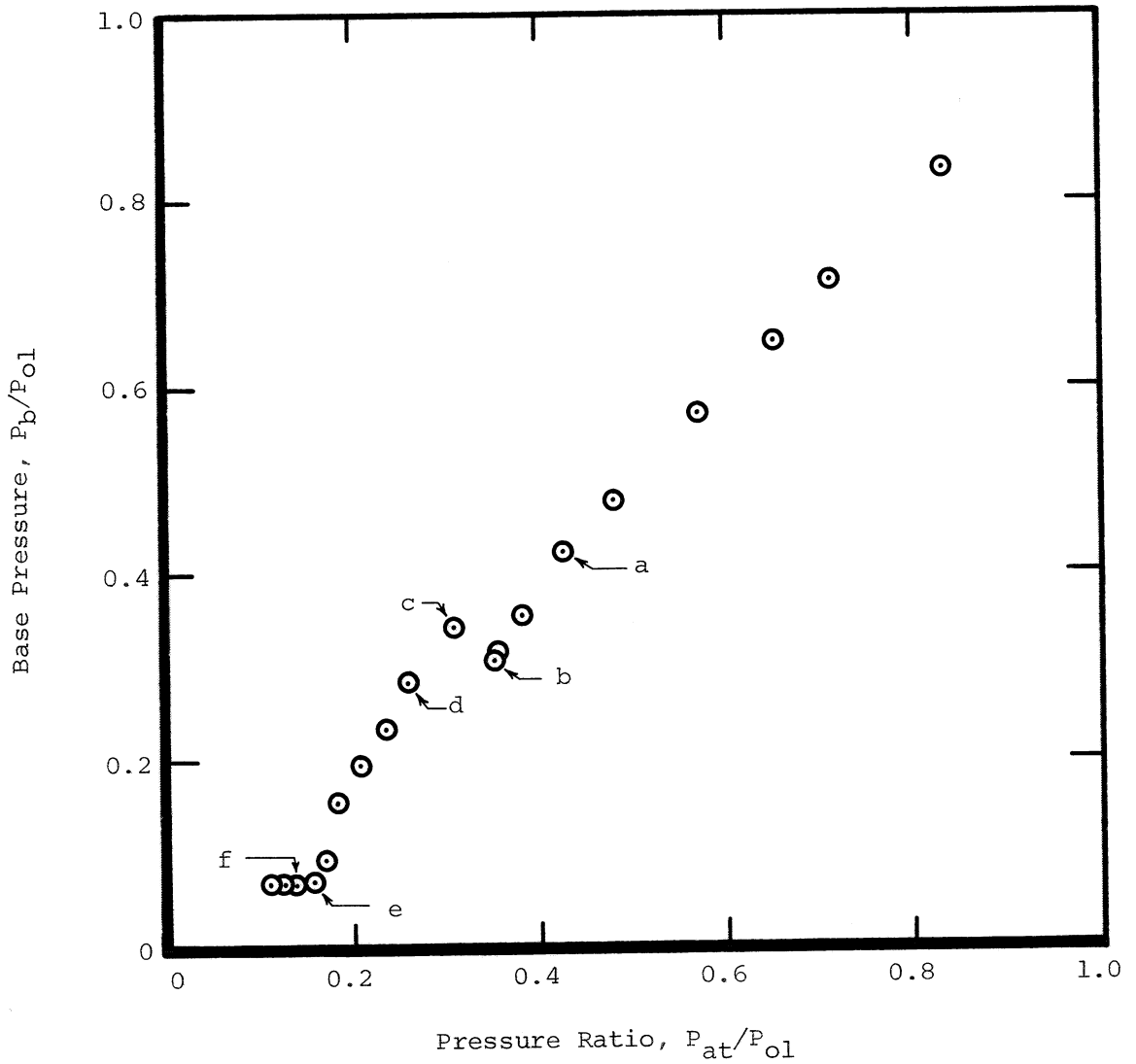
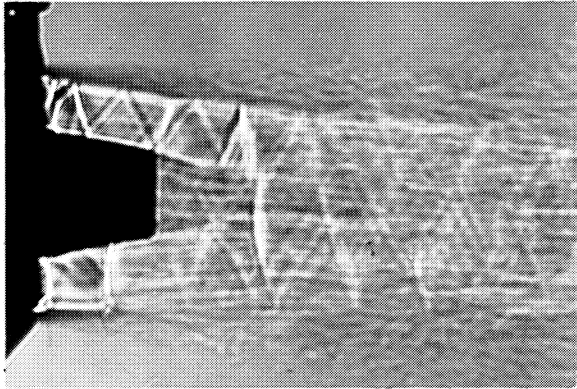
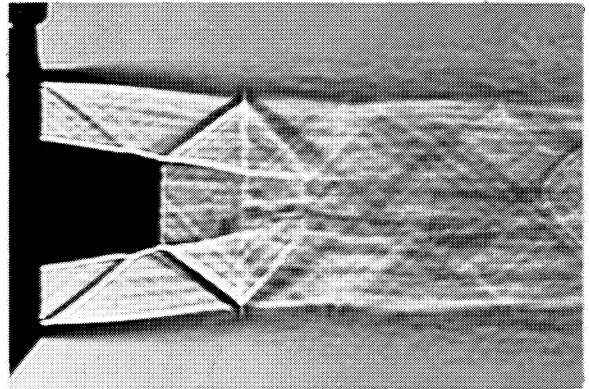


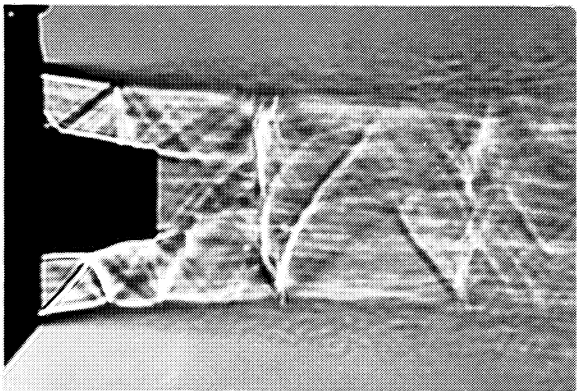
Fig. 35. Axisymmetric Truncated Plug Nozzle Operating Characteristics.



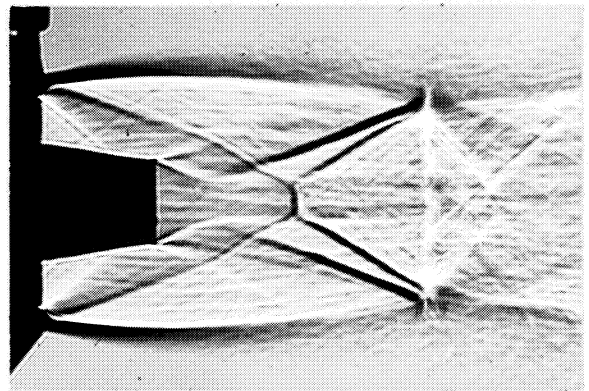
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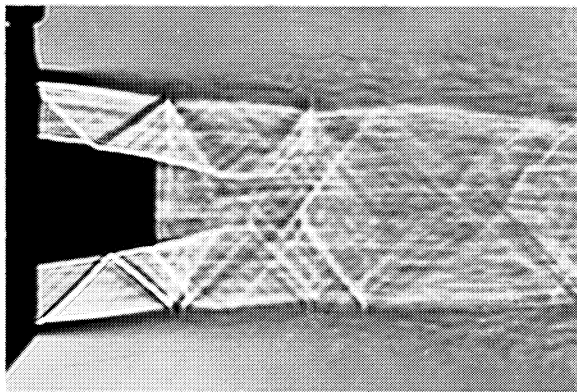
d.)  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.260$



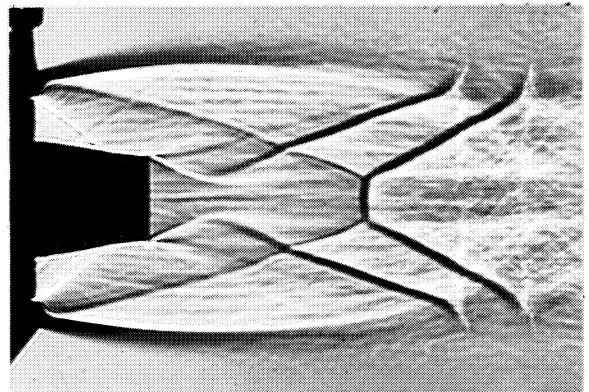
b.)  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.354$



e.)  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.157$

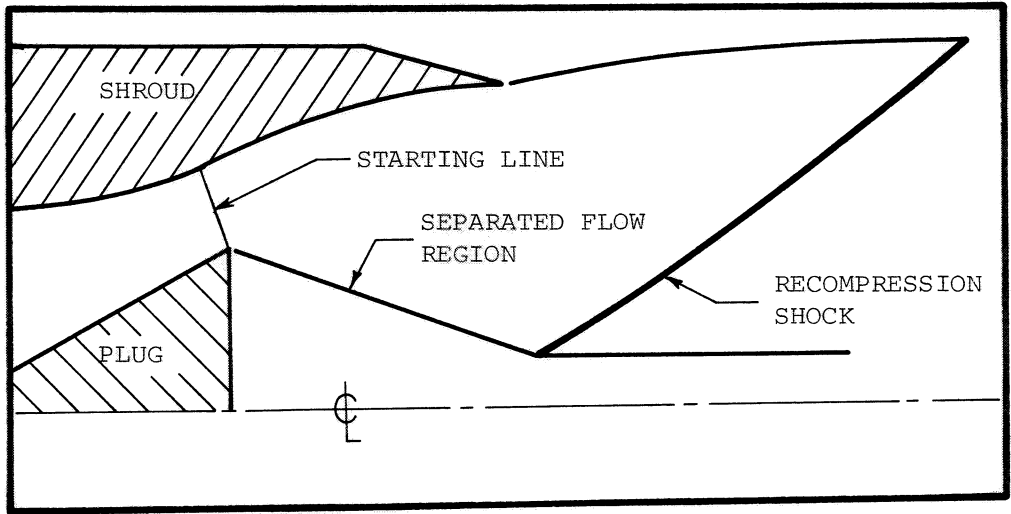


c.)  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.310$

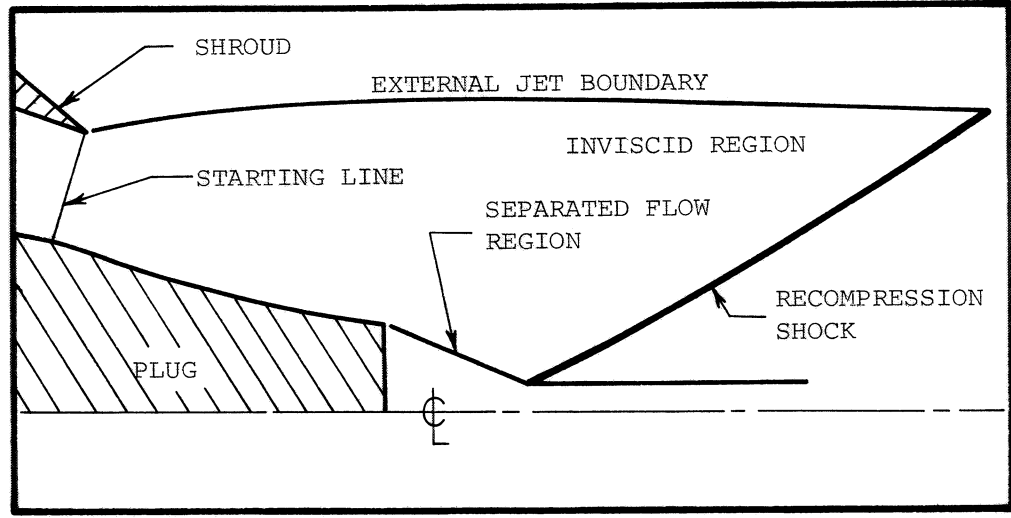


f.)  $P_{at}/P_{01} = 0.135$

Fig. 36. Shadowgraph Sequence for Axisymmetric Truncated Plug Nozzle Flow Development.



a.) Expansion-Deflection Nozzle Flow Field Model.



b.) Truncated-Plug Nozzle Flow Field Model.

Fig. 37. Flow Field Models for Plug Nozzle Configurations.

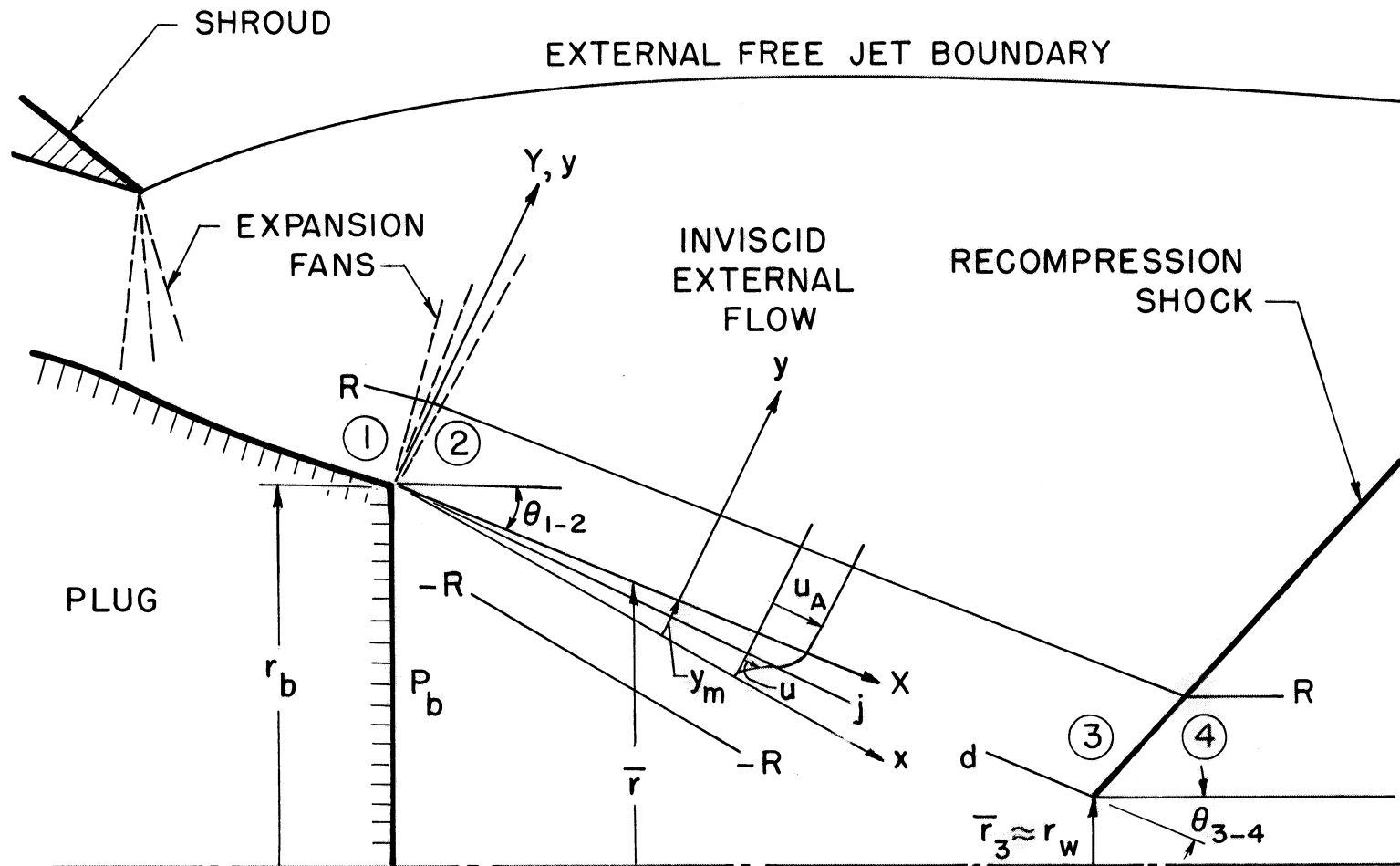


Fig. 38. Flow Model for the Determination of the Turbulent Base Pressure and the External Flow Field for an Axisymmetric Plug Nozzle.

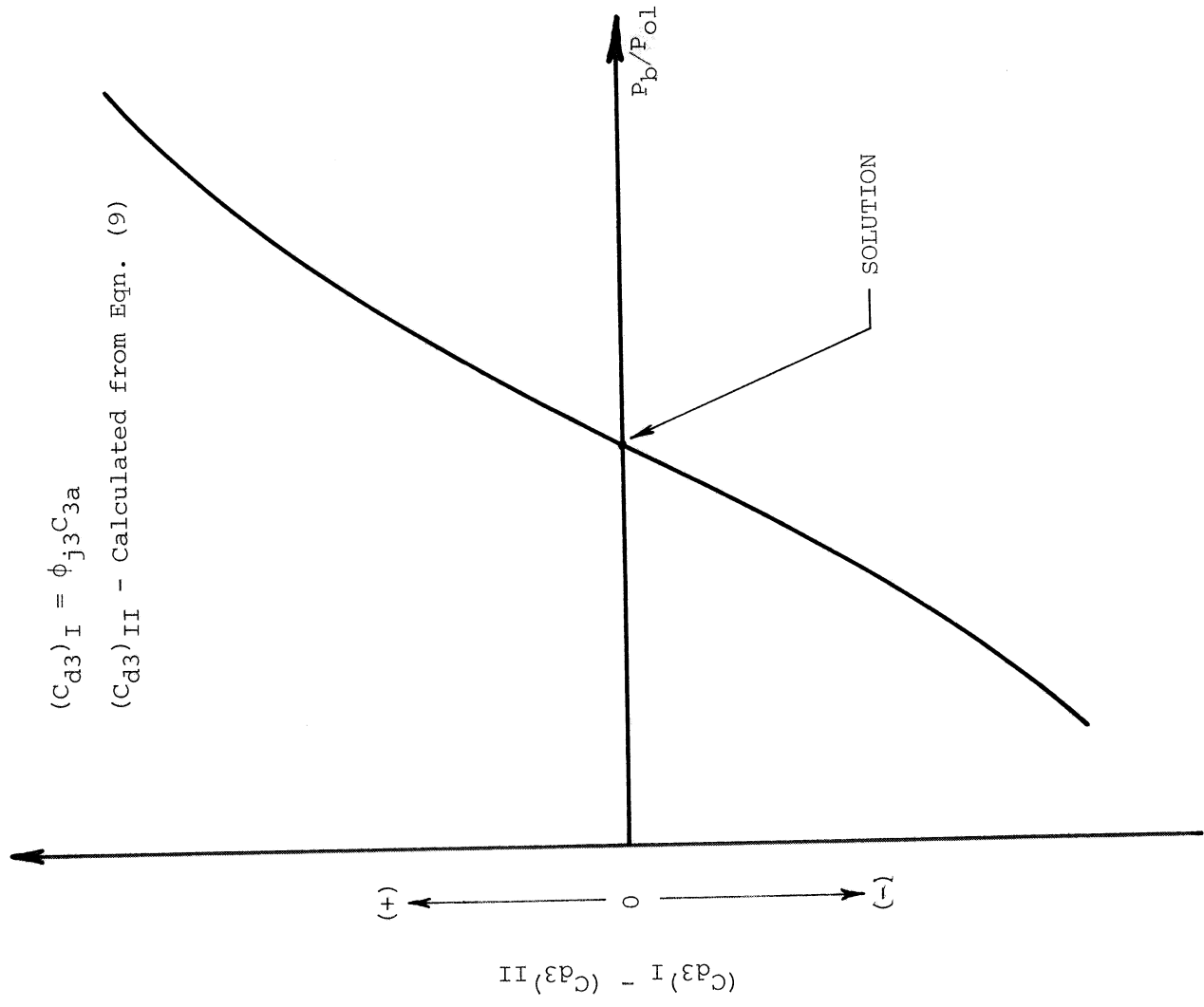
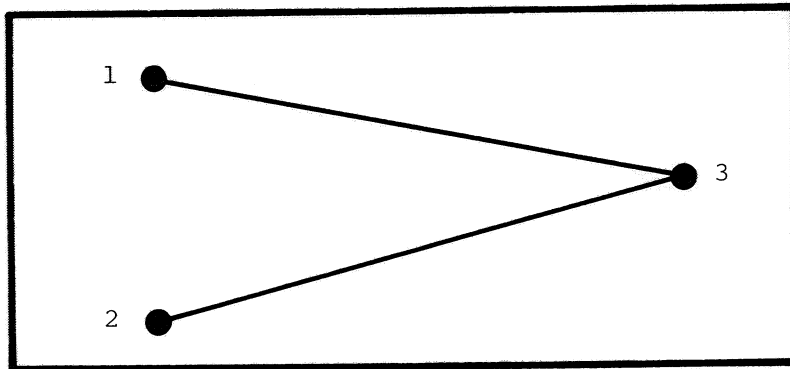
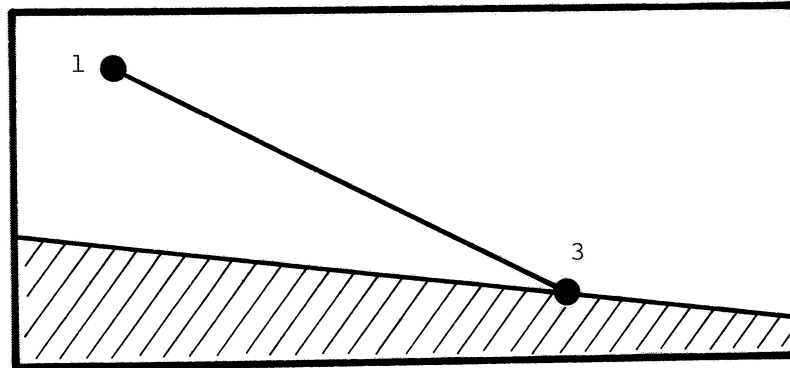


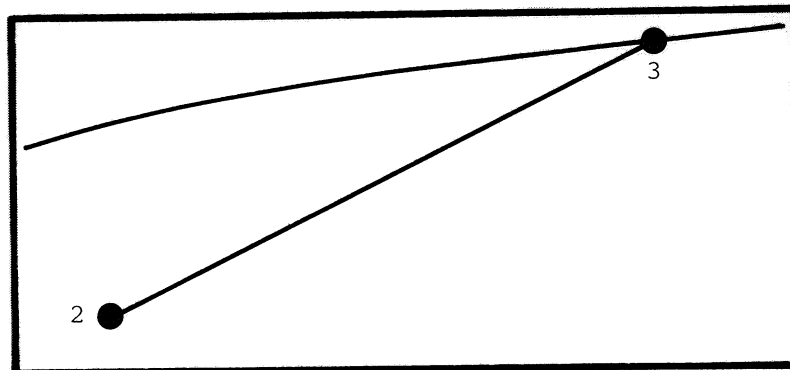
Fig. 39. Base Pressure Solution Curve (No Base Bleed).



a.) Interior Point

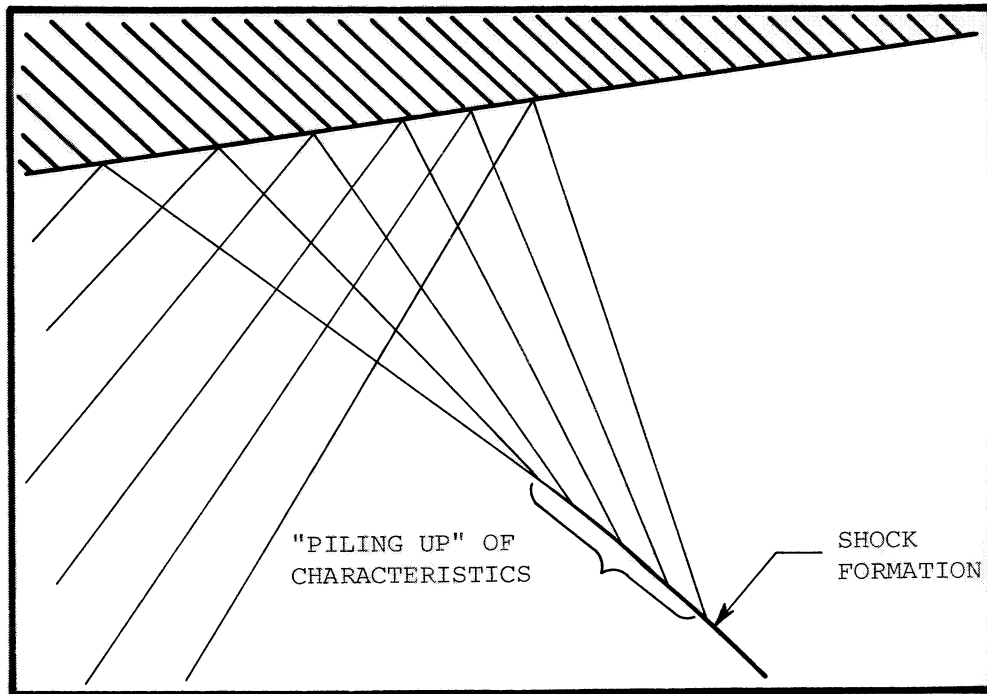


b.) Solid Lower Boundary

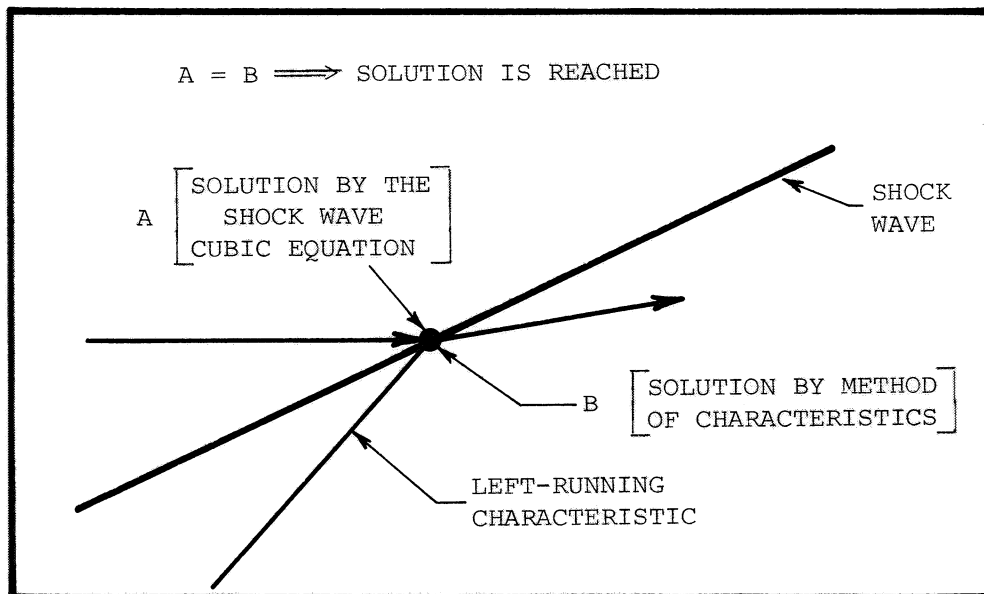


c.) Constant Pressure Upper Boundary

Fig. 40. Method of Characteristics Computation Scheme.



a.) "Piling Up" of Characteristic Waves



b.) Shock Wave Solution

Fig. 41. Method of Characteristics Solution with an Imbedded Shock Wave.



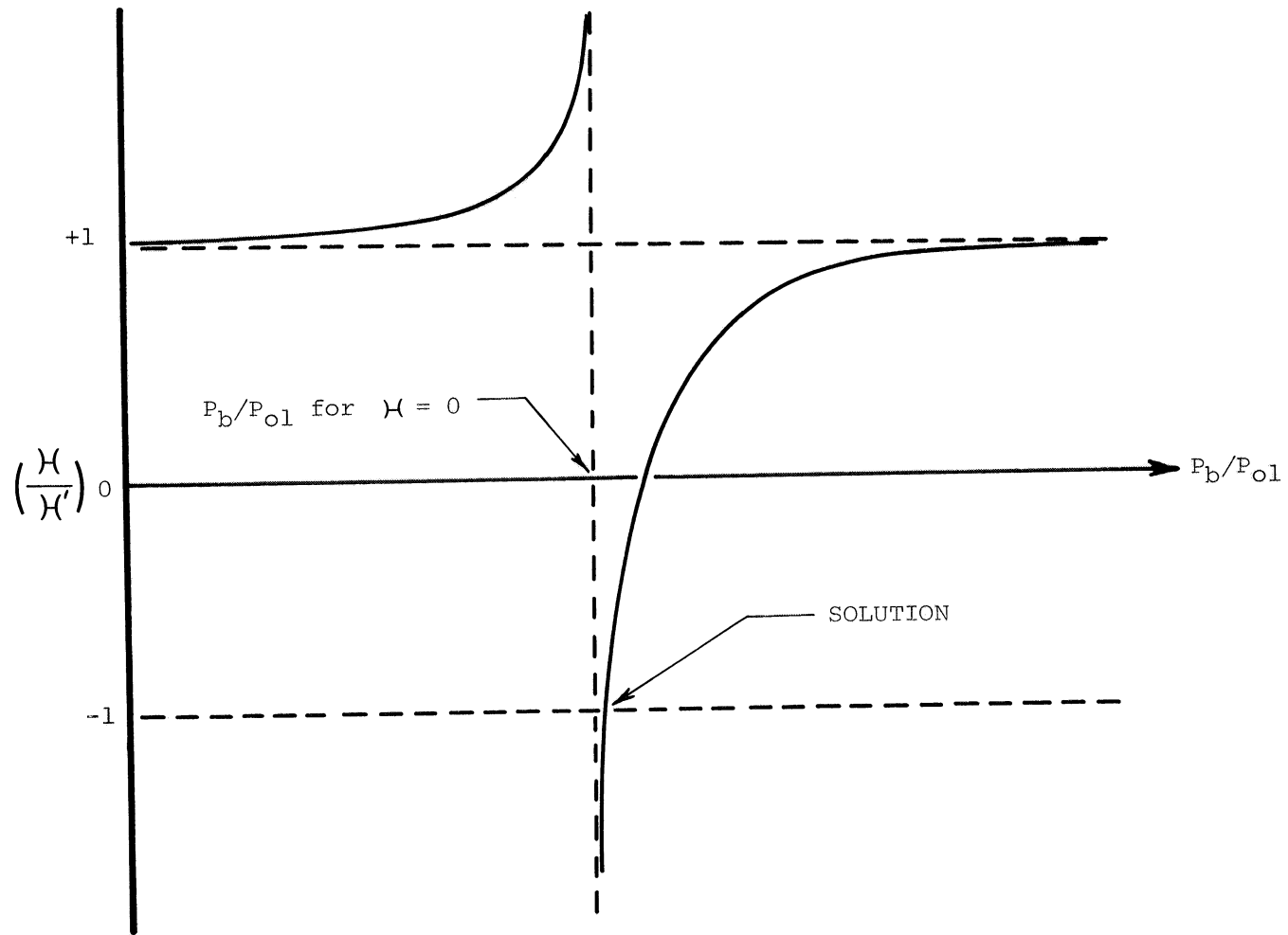


Fig. 42. Base Pressure Solution Curve When Base Bleed is Present.

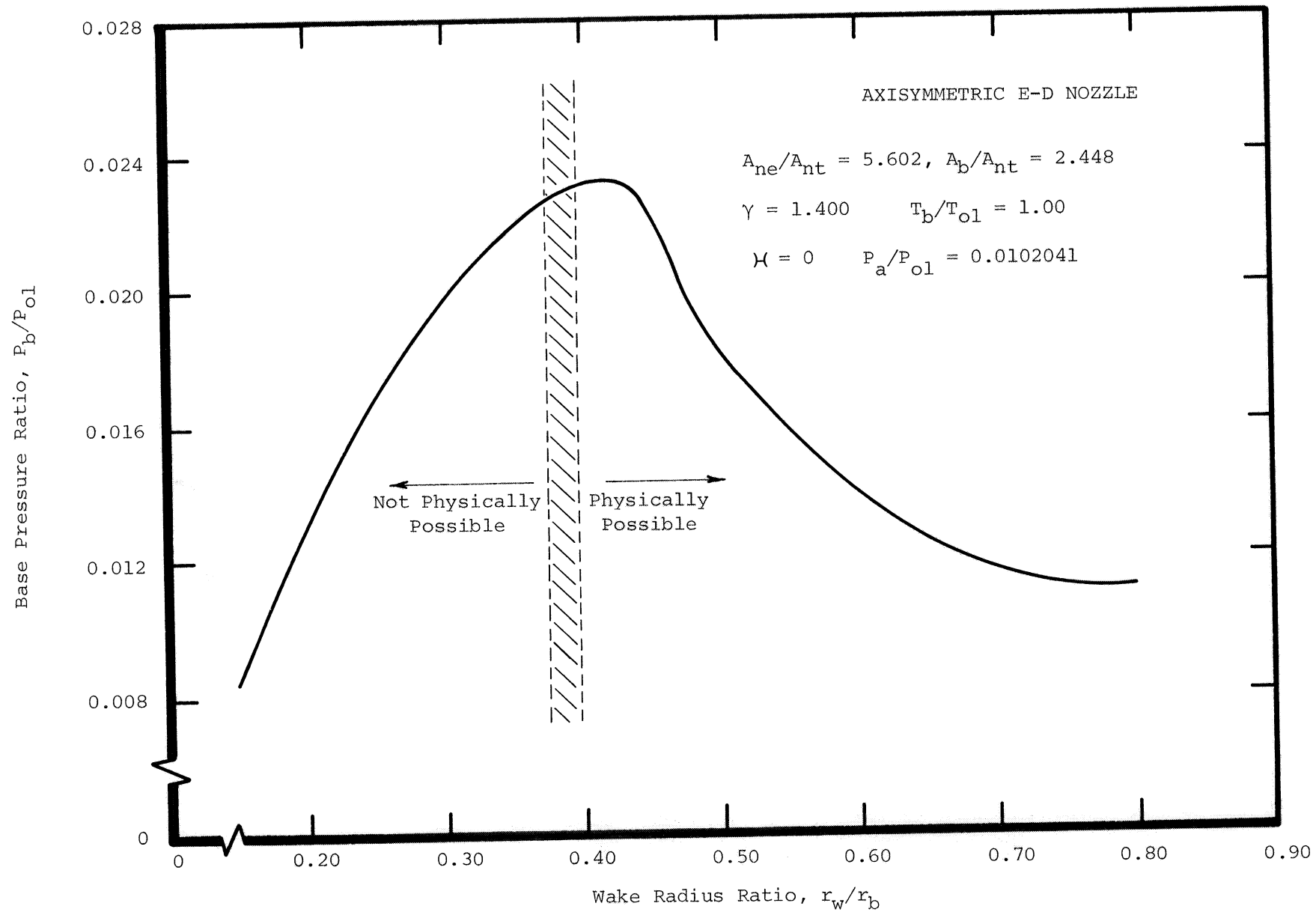


Fig. 43. Variation of Plug Base Pressure with Wake Radius Ratio for an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

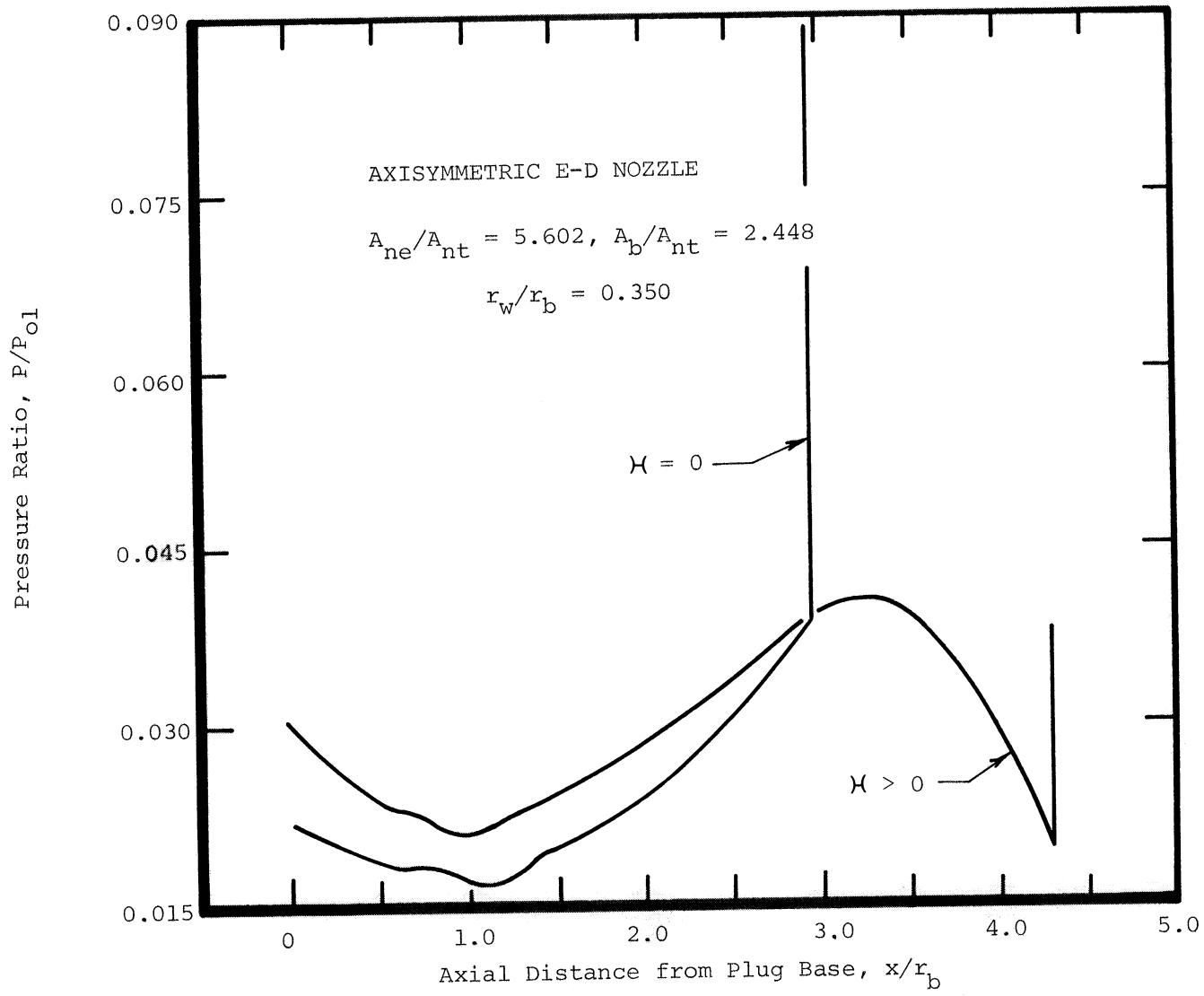


Fig. 44. Pressure Ratio Along the Near Wake from Computer Solution at Constant Wake Radius Ratio.

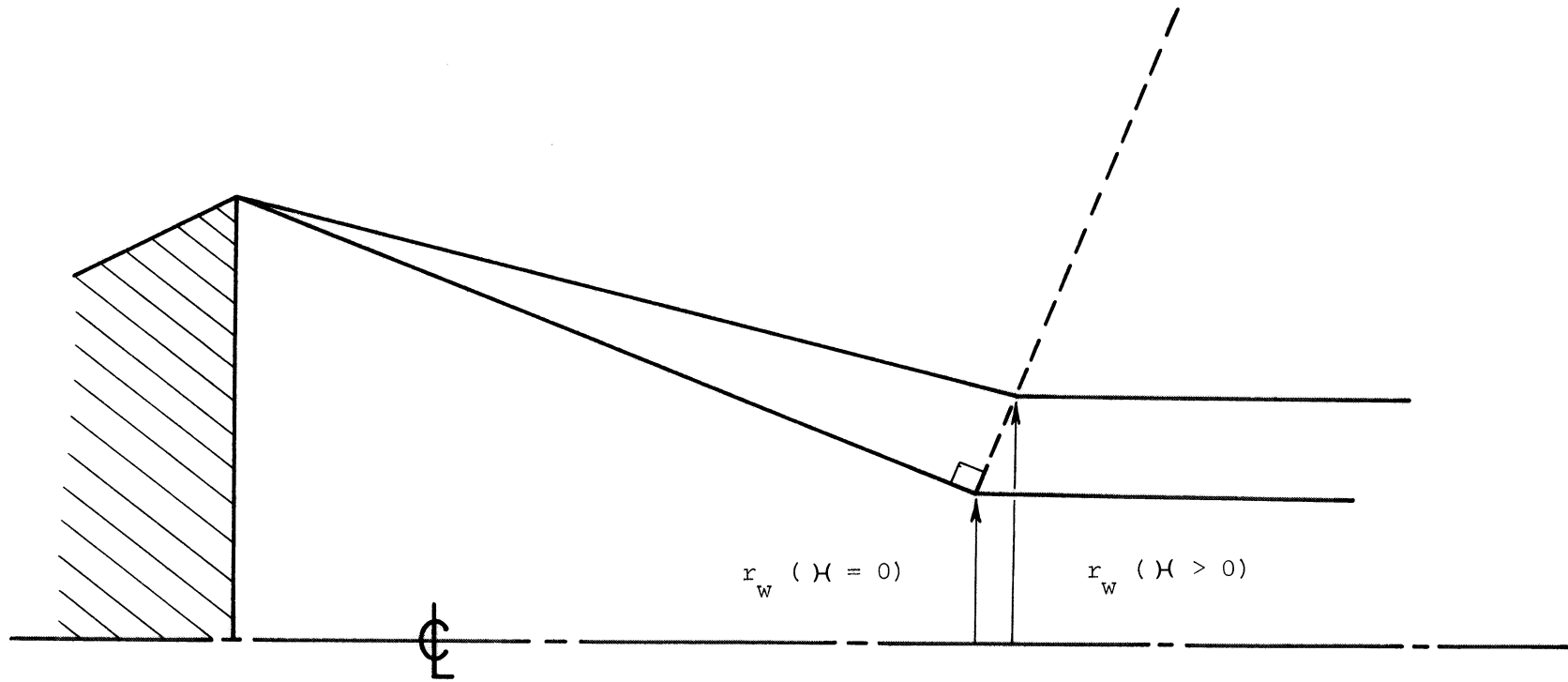


Fig. 45. Solution of the Wake Radius Ratio Problem for Base Bleed.

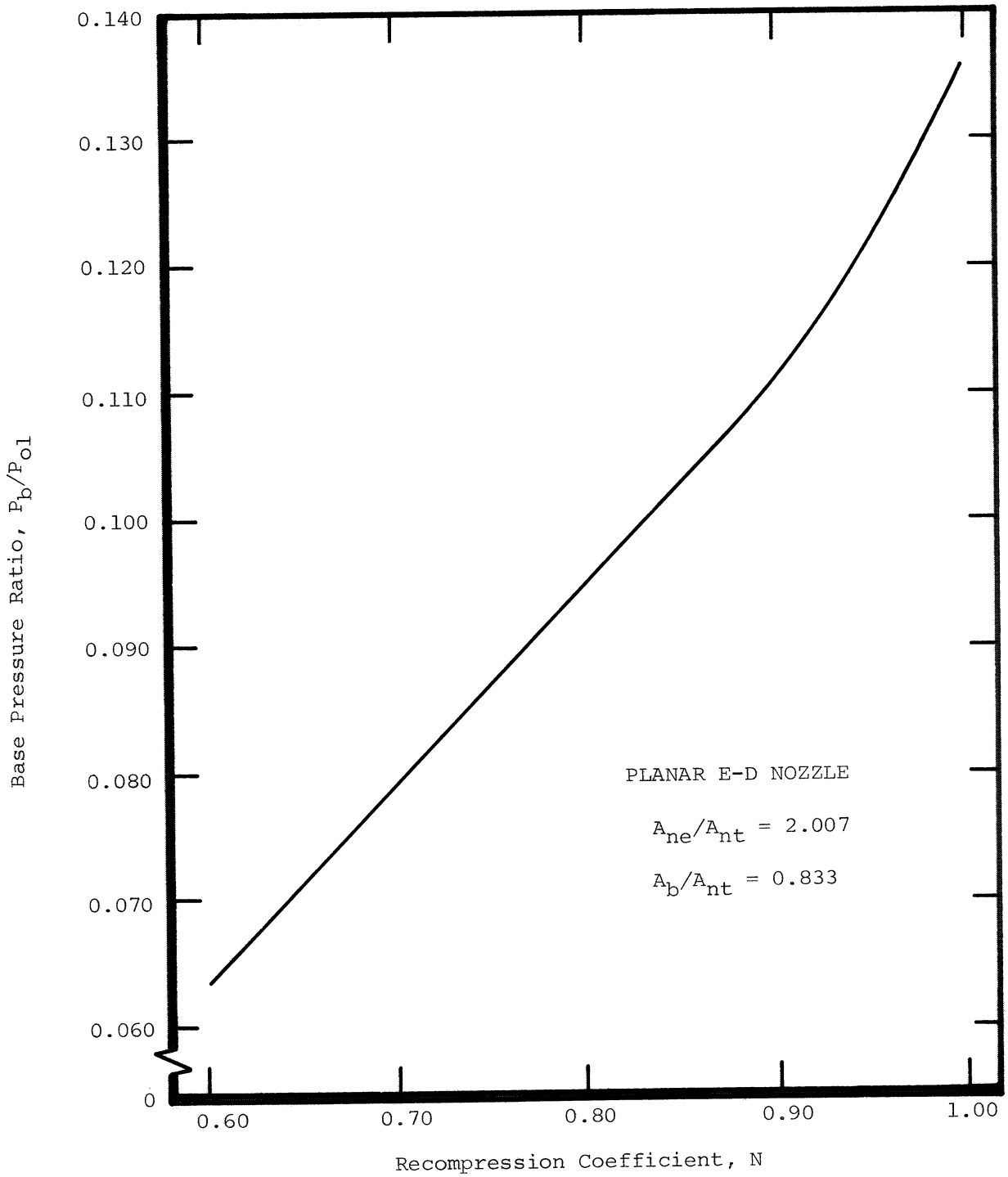
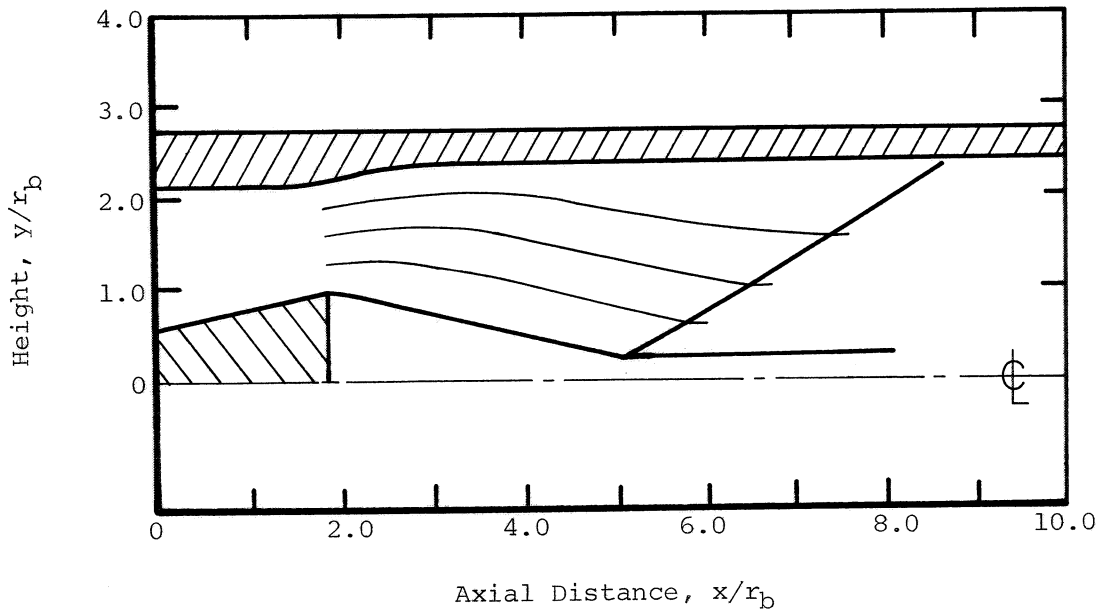
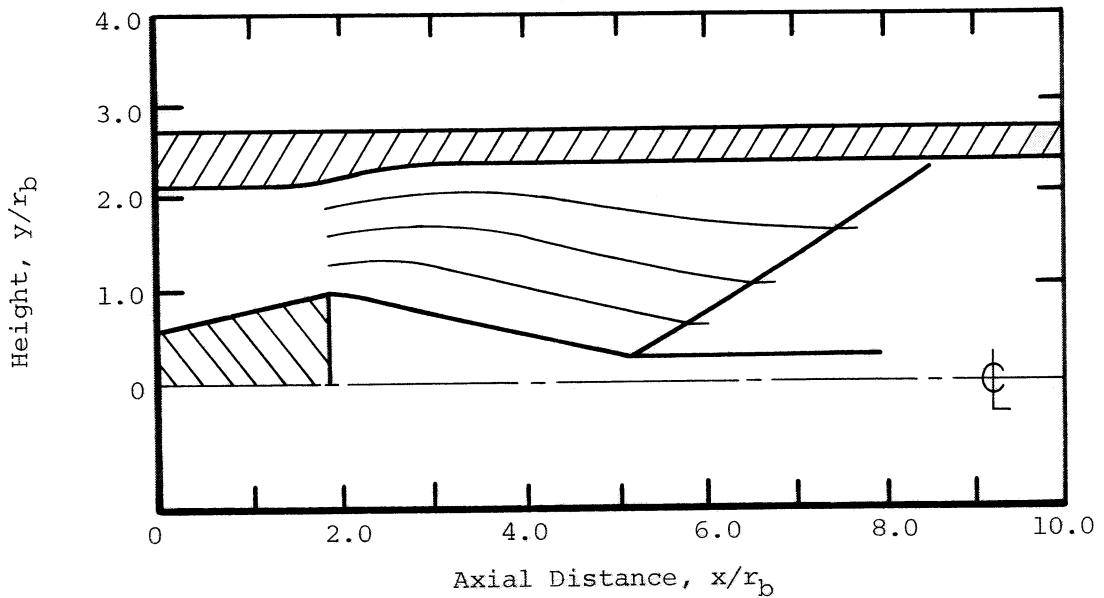


Fig. 46. Variation of the Base Pressure Ratio with Recompression Coefficient for a Planar Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

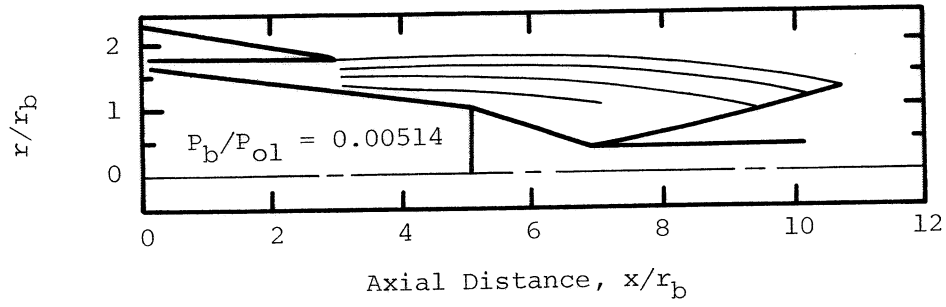


a.) 20 Characteristics in the Vertical Direction

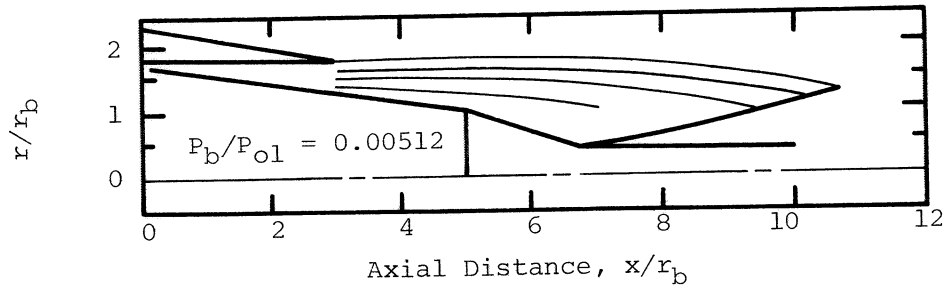


b.) 40 Characteristics in the Vertical Direction

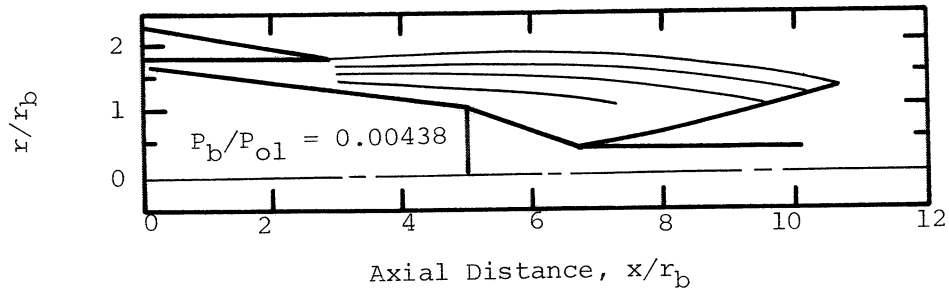
Fig. 47. Flow Field Comparison for Differing Characteristic Mesh Sizes of a Planar Expansion-Deflection Nozzle ( $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 2.007$  and  $A_b/A_{nt} = 0.833$ ).



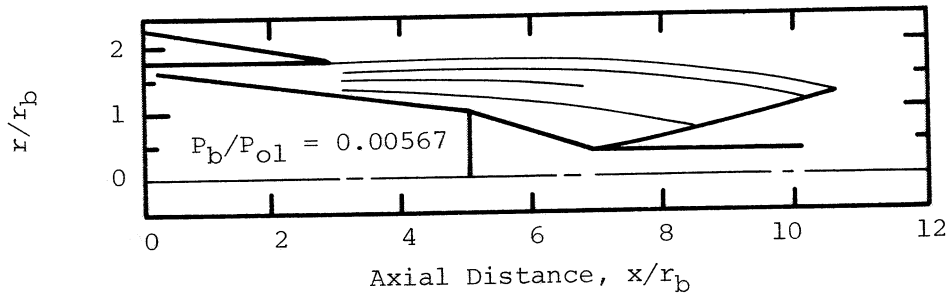
a.) Vertical Sonic Line ("Uniform")



b.) Parabolic Sonic Line

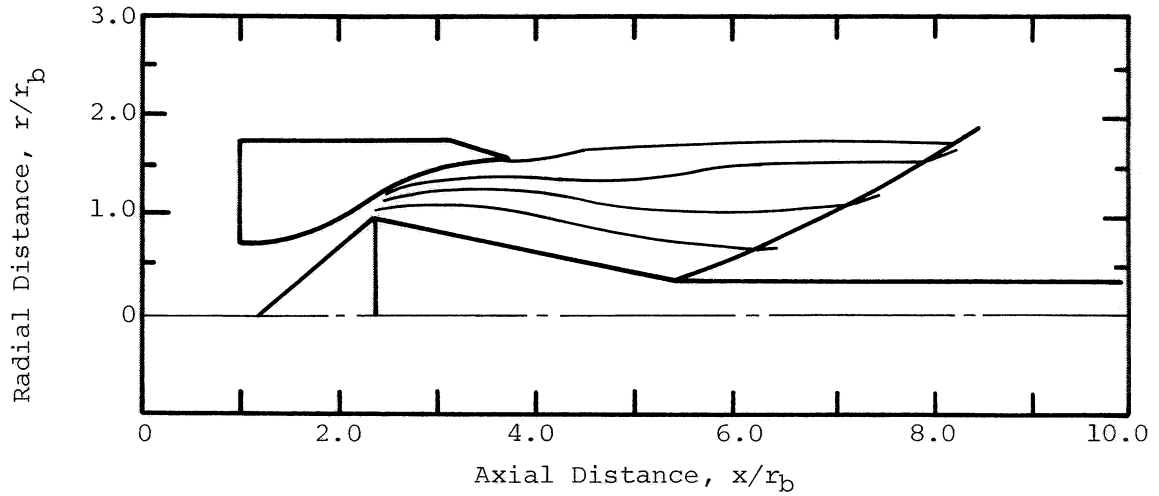


c.) Linear Sonic Line

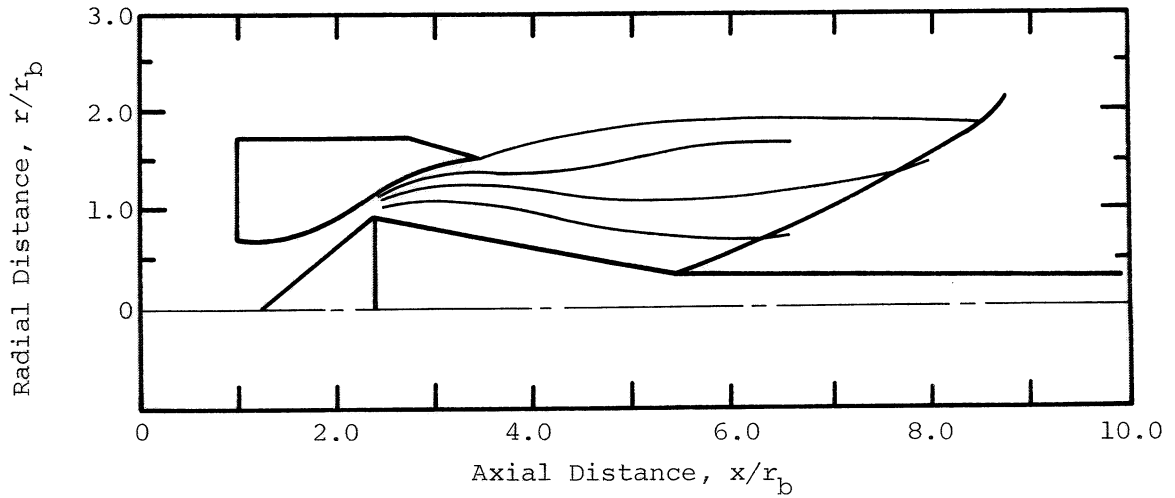


d.) Circular Arc Sonic Line

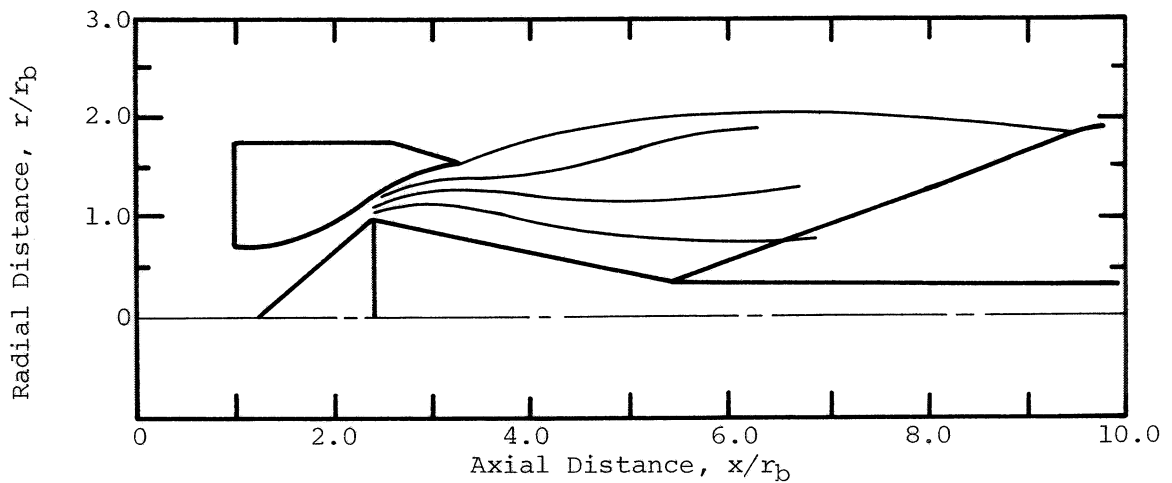
Fig. 48. The Influence of Sonic Line Shapes for an Axisymmetric Internal-External-Expansion Truncated Plug Nozzle.



a.)  $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 5.602$



b.)  $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 5.580$



c.)  $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 5.513$

Fig. 49. Shroud Contour Truncation of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle ( $A_b/A_{nt} = 2.448$ ).



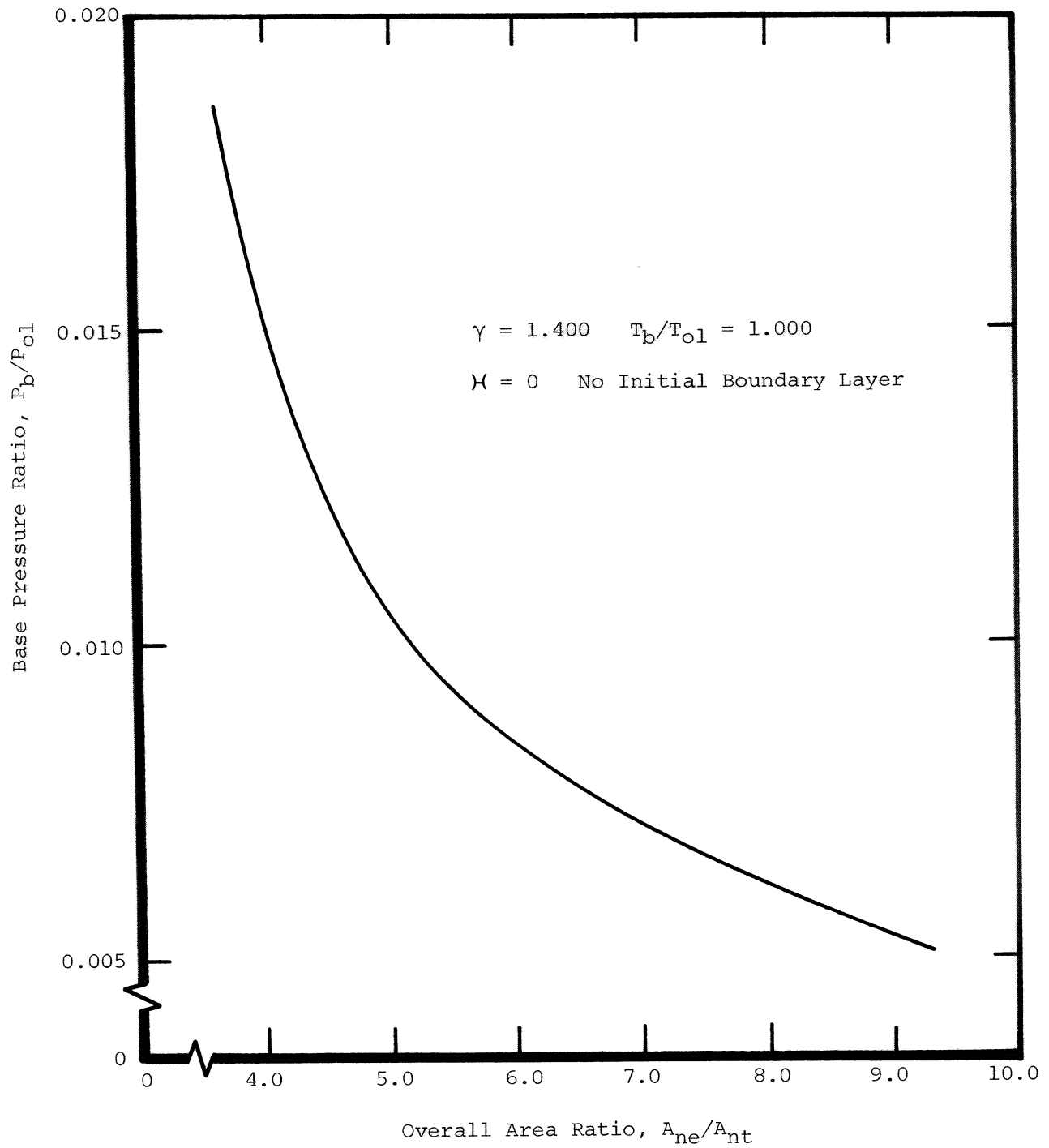


Fig. 50. Influence of Area Ratio on the Base Pressure Ratio of an Axisymmetric Internal-External-Expansion Truncated Plug Nozzle.

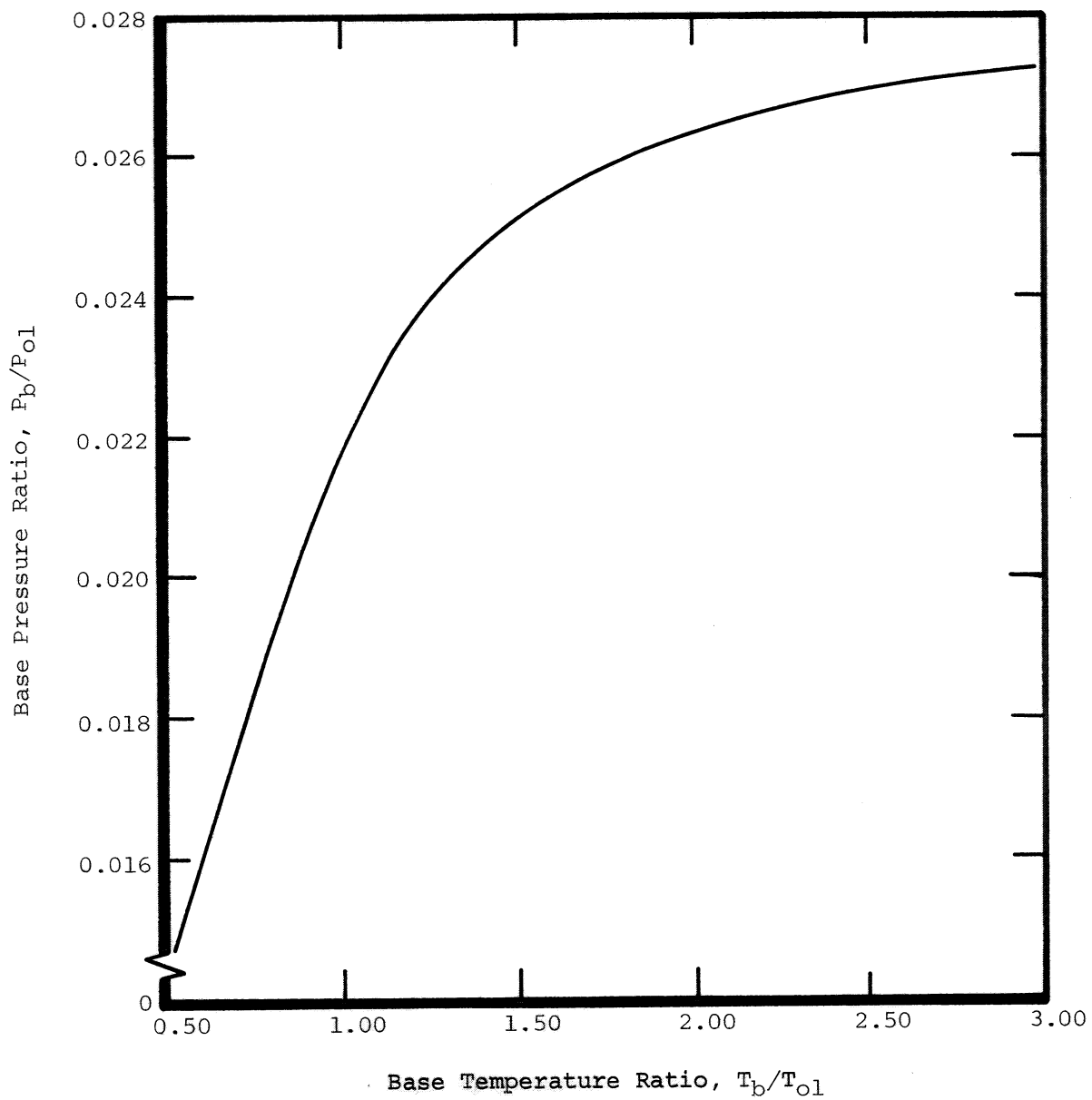


Fig. 51. Effect of Non-Isoenergetic Mixing on the Base Pressure of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

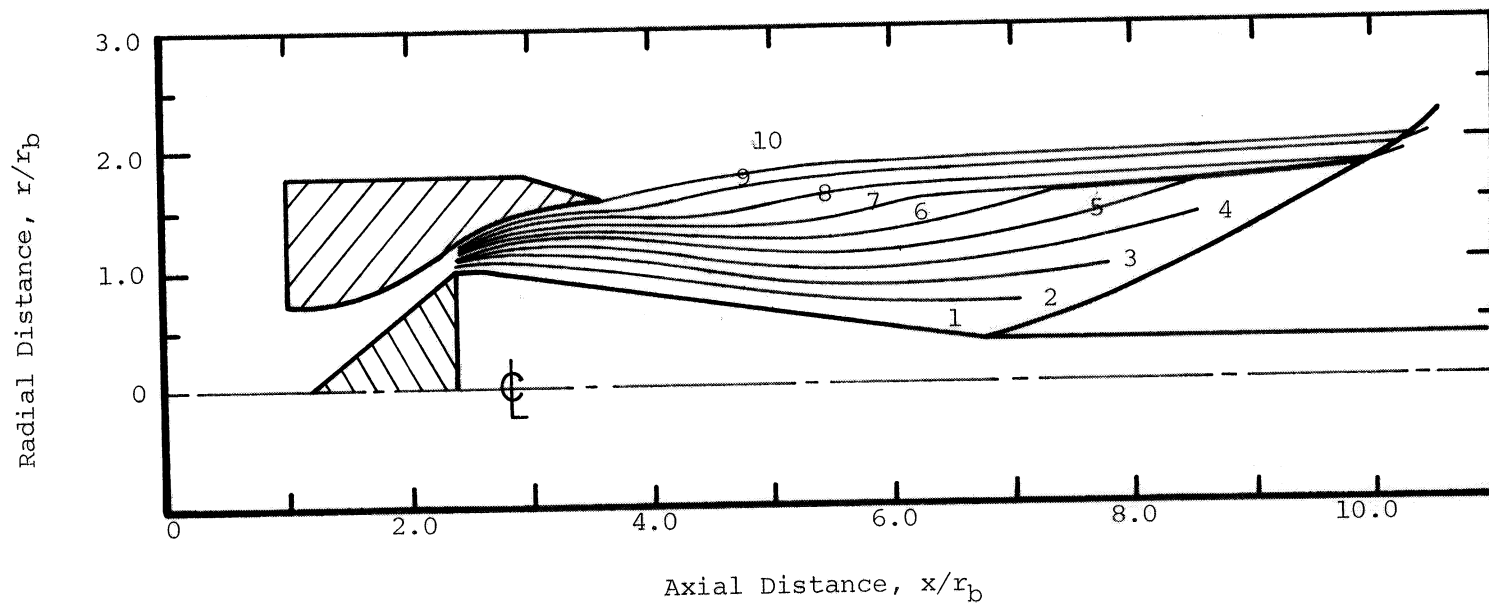
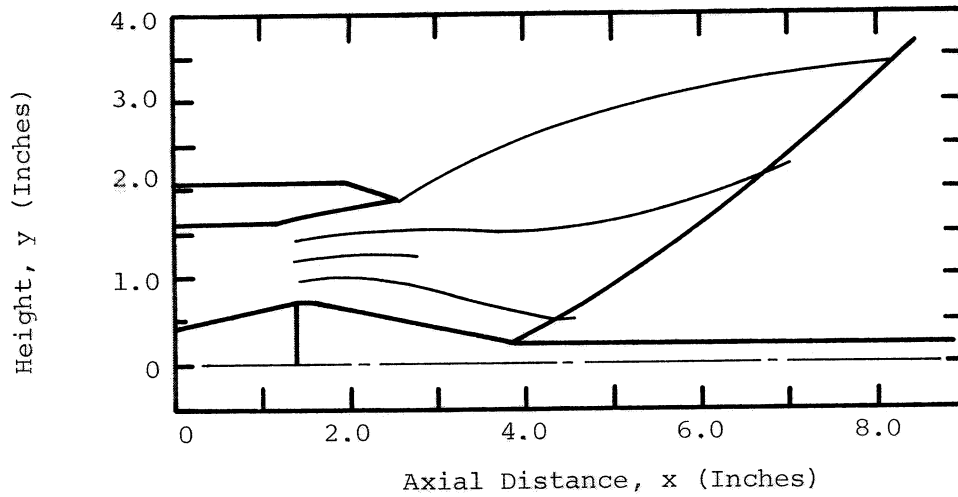
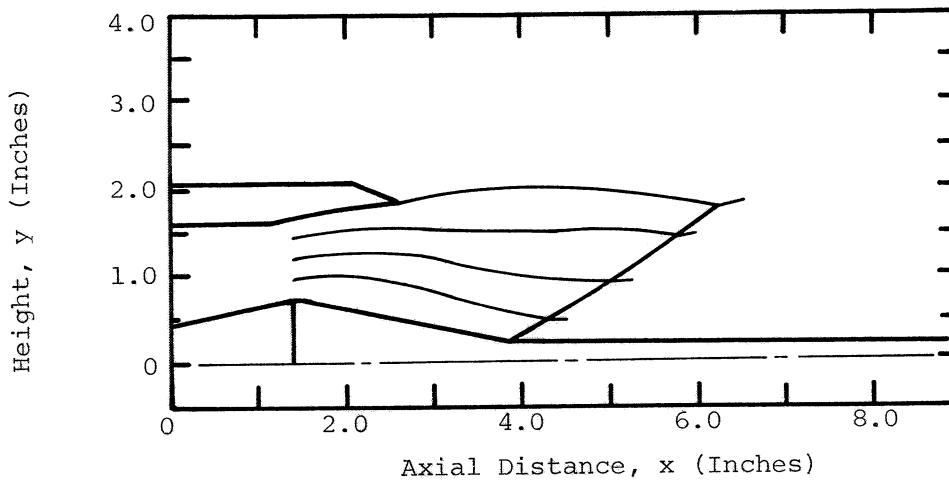


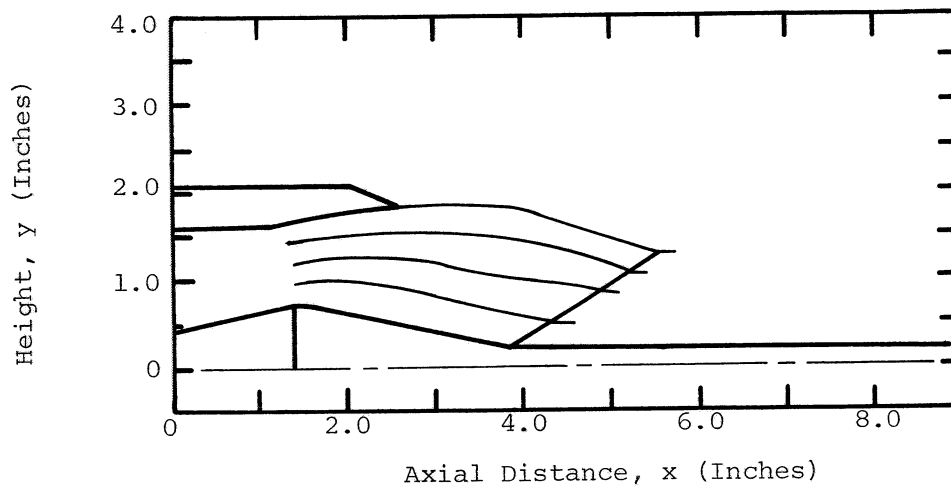
Fig. 52. Internal Shock Formation in an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle  
( $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 5.602$ ,  $A_b/A_{nt} = 2.448$ ).



a.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.3401$

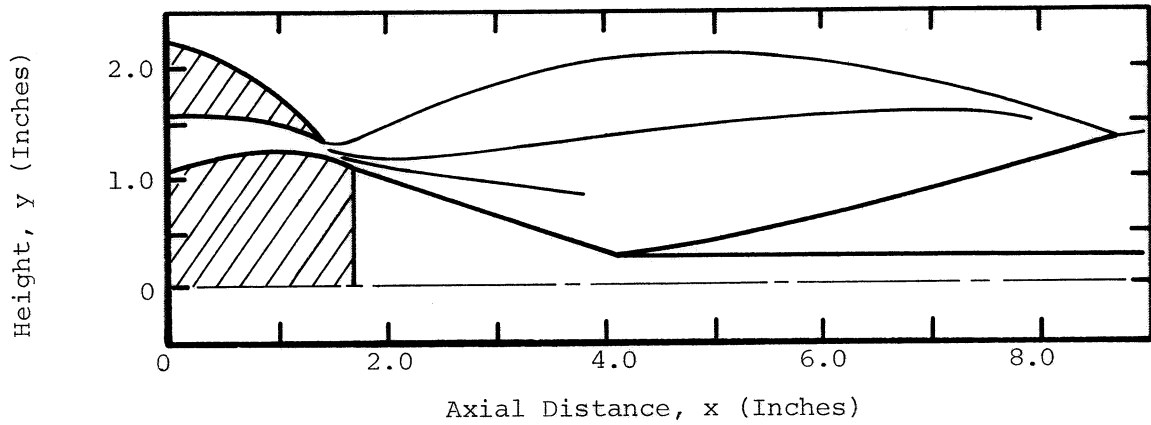


b.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.10204$

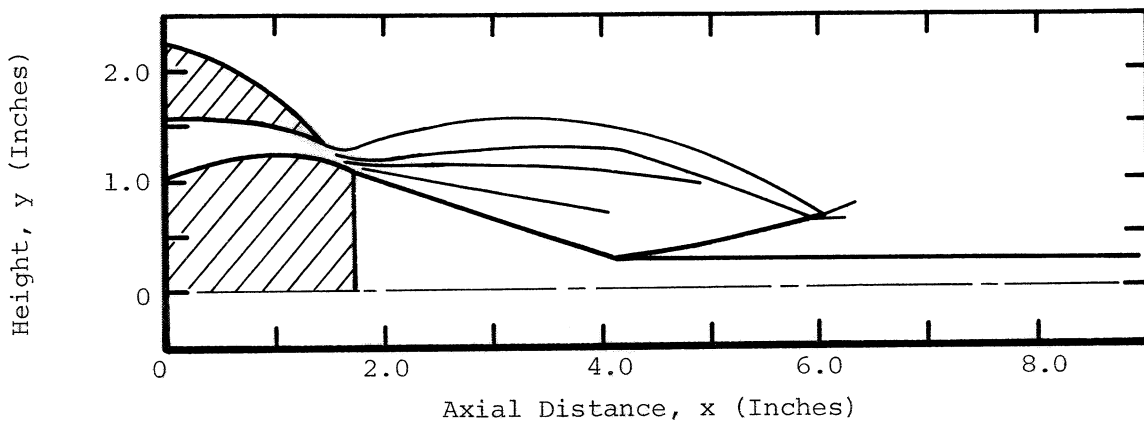


c.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.17007$

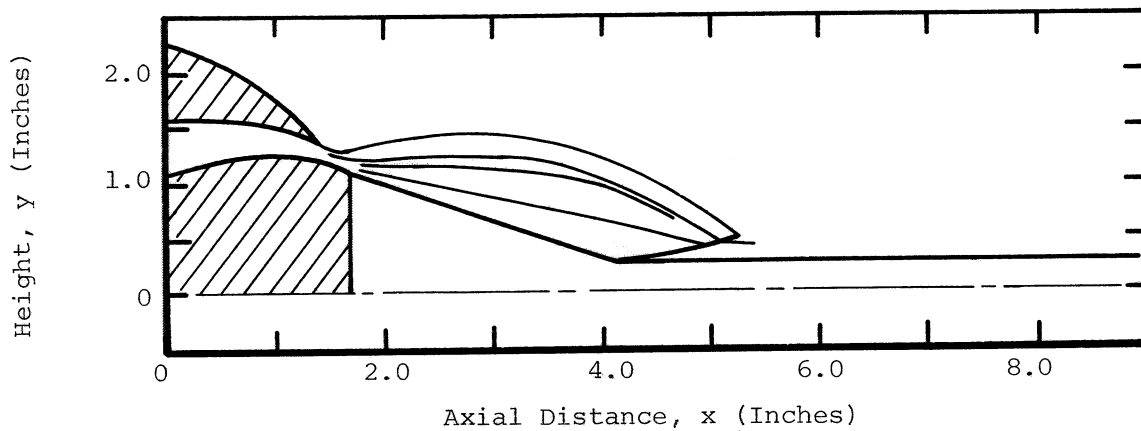
Fig. 53. Effects of Ambient Pressure on the Flow Field of a Planar Expansion-Deflection Nozzle ( $A_{ne}/A_{nt} = 2.007$ ,  $A_b/A_{nt} = 0.8333$ ).



a.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.01020$



b.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.02041$



c.)  $P_a/P_{01} = 0.02721$

Fig. 54. Effect of Ambient Pressure on the Flow Field of a Planar Truncated Plug Nozzle.

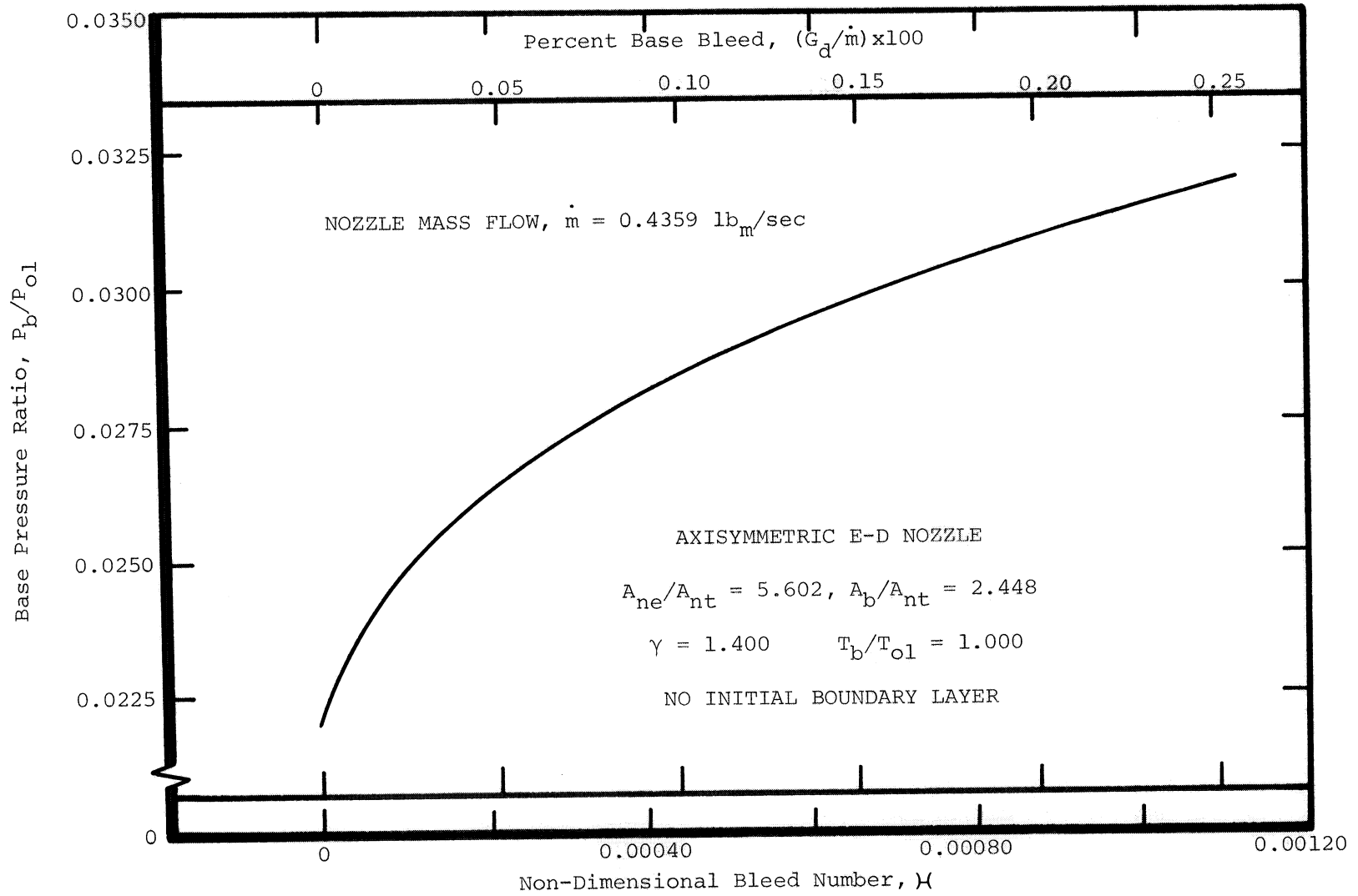
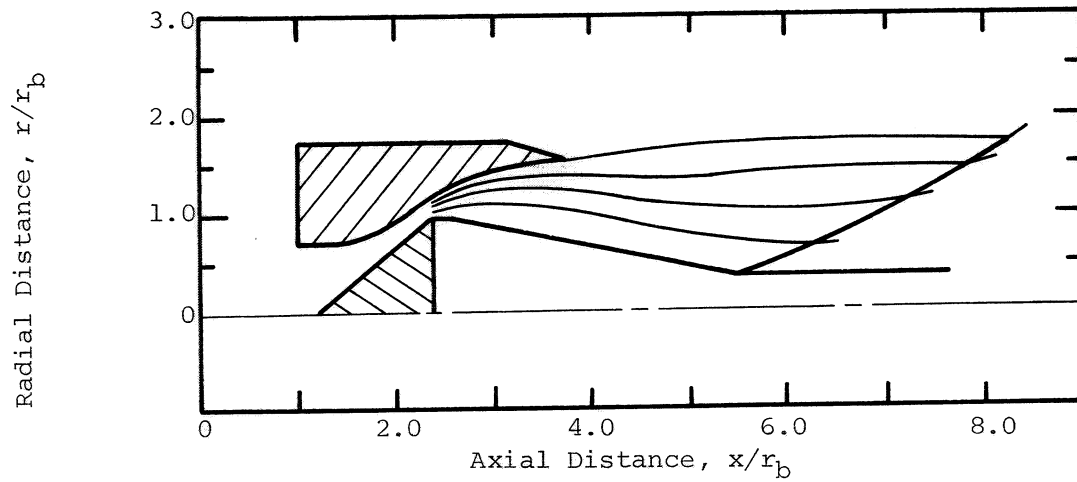
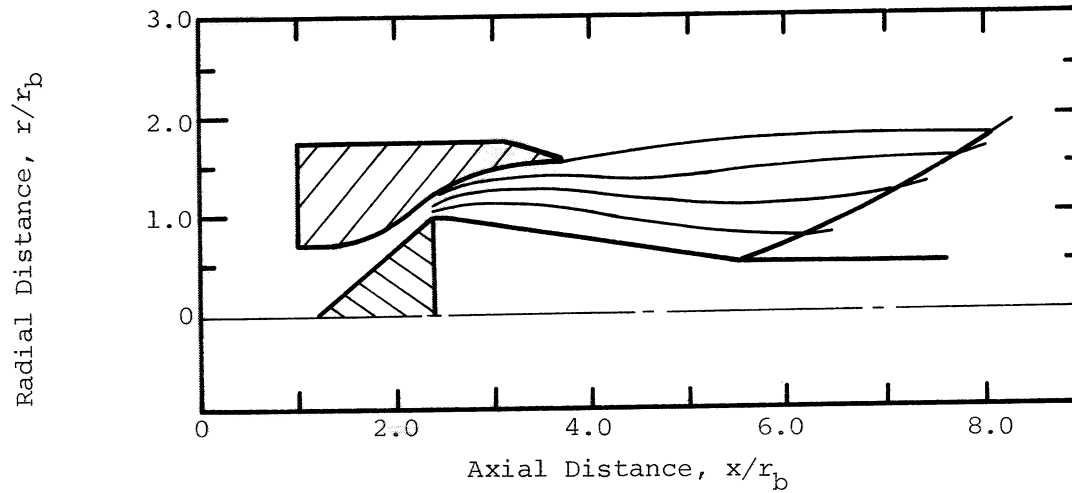


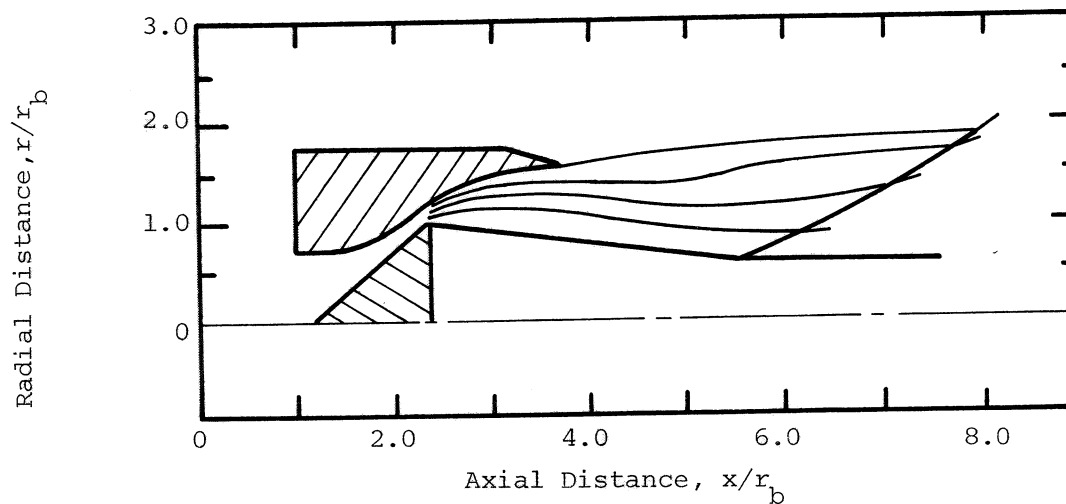
Fig. 55. Effect of Base Bleed on the Base Pressure of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.



a.)  $\mathcal{H} = 0$  (No Base Bleed)



b.)  $\mathcal{H} = 0.00025841$



c.)  $\mathcal{H} = 0.00077703$

Fig. 56. Effects of Base Bleed on the Flow Field of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

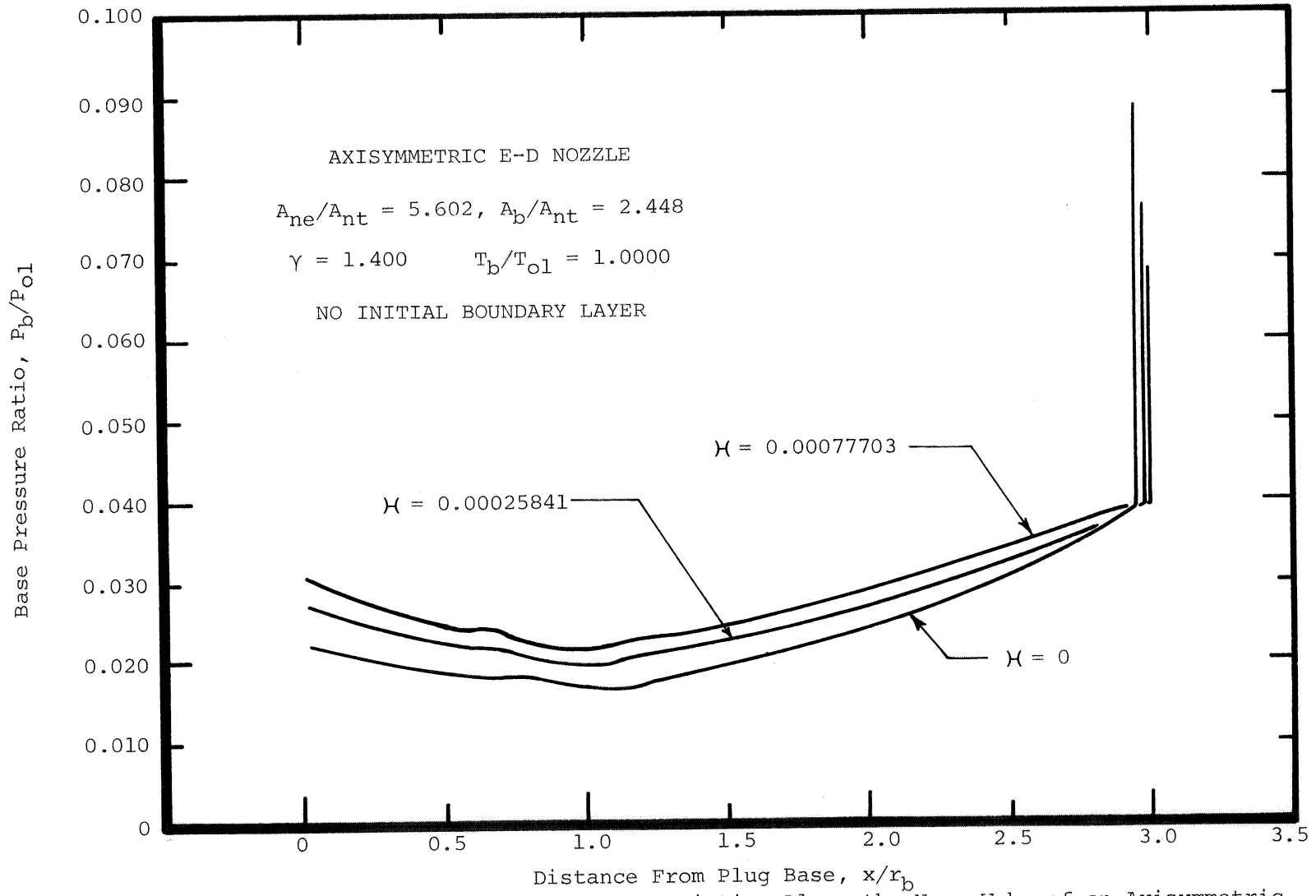
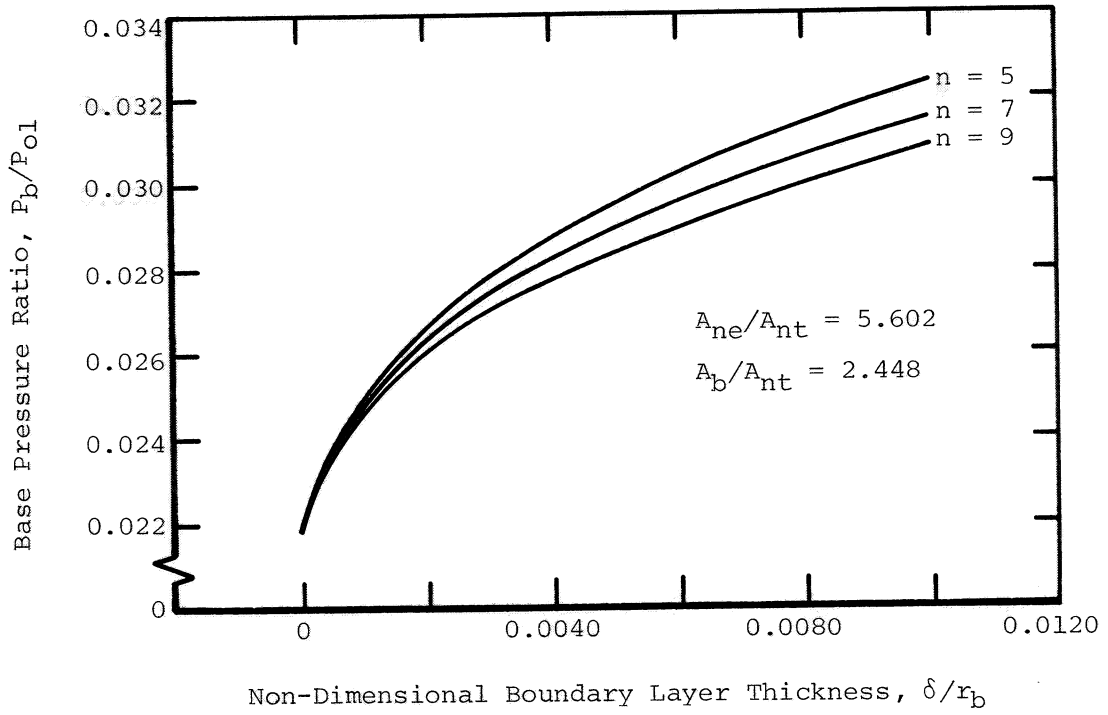
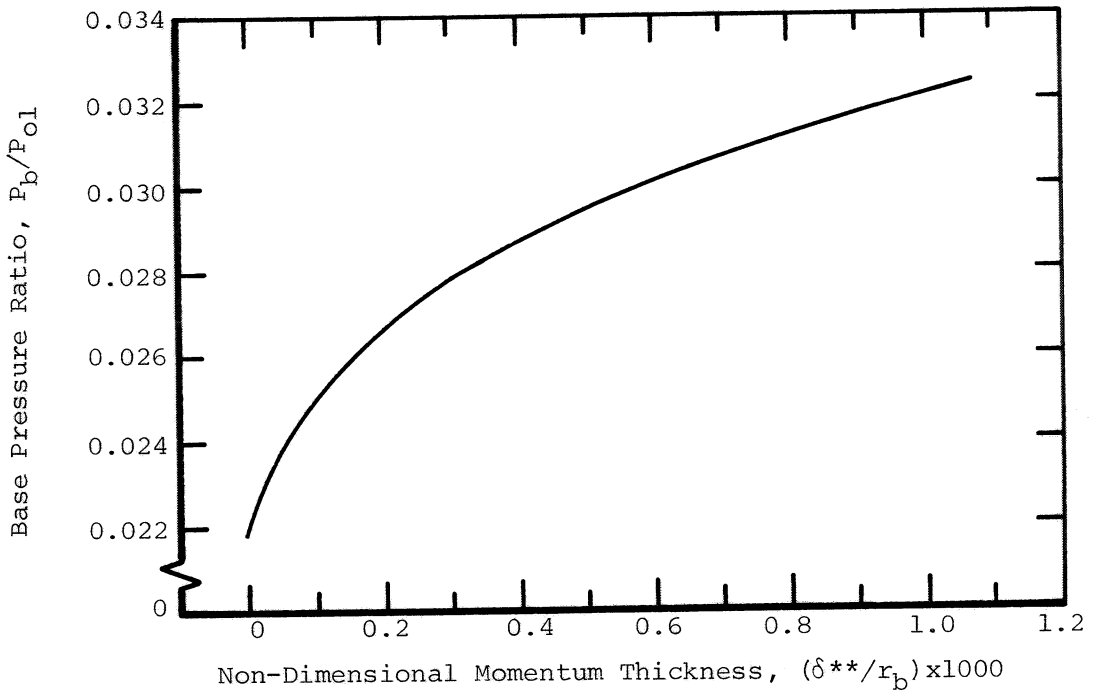


Fig. 57. Base Bleed Effects on the Pressure Variation Along the Near Wake of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.





a.) Effect of Boundary Layer Profile Shape and Thickness on the Base Pressure



b.) Effect of Momentum Thickness on the Base Pressure.

Fig. 58. Boundary Layer Effects on the Base Pressure of an Axisymmetric Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

Fig. 59. Shadowgraph Photograph of the Flow Field of the Axisymmetric Internal-Expansion-External-Expansion Nozzle.

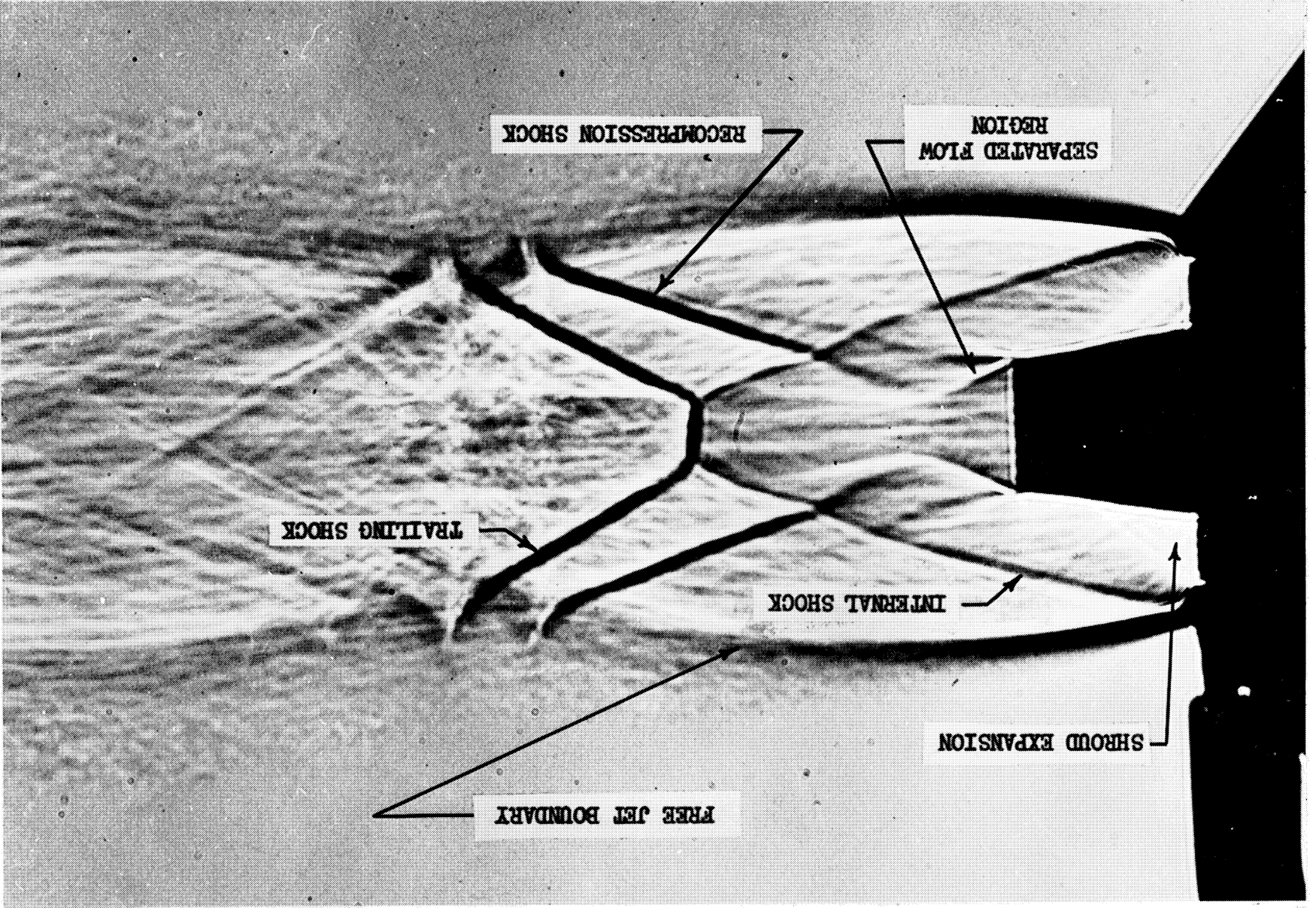
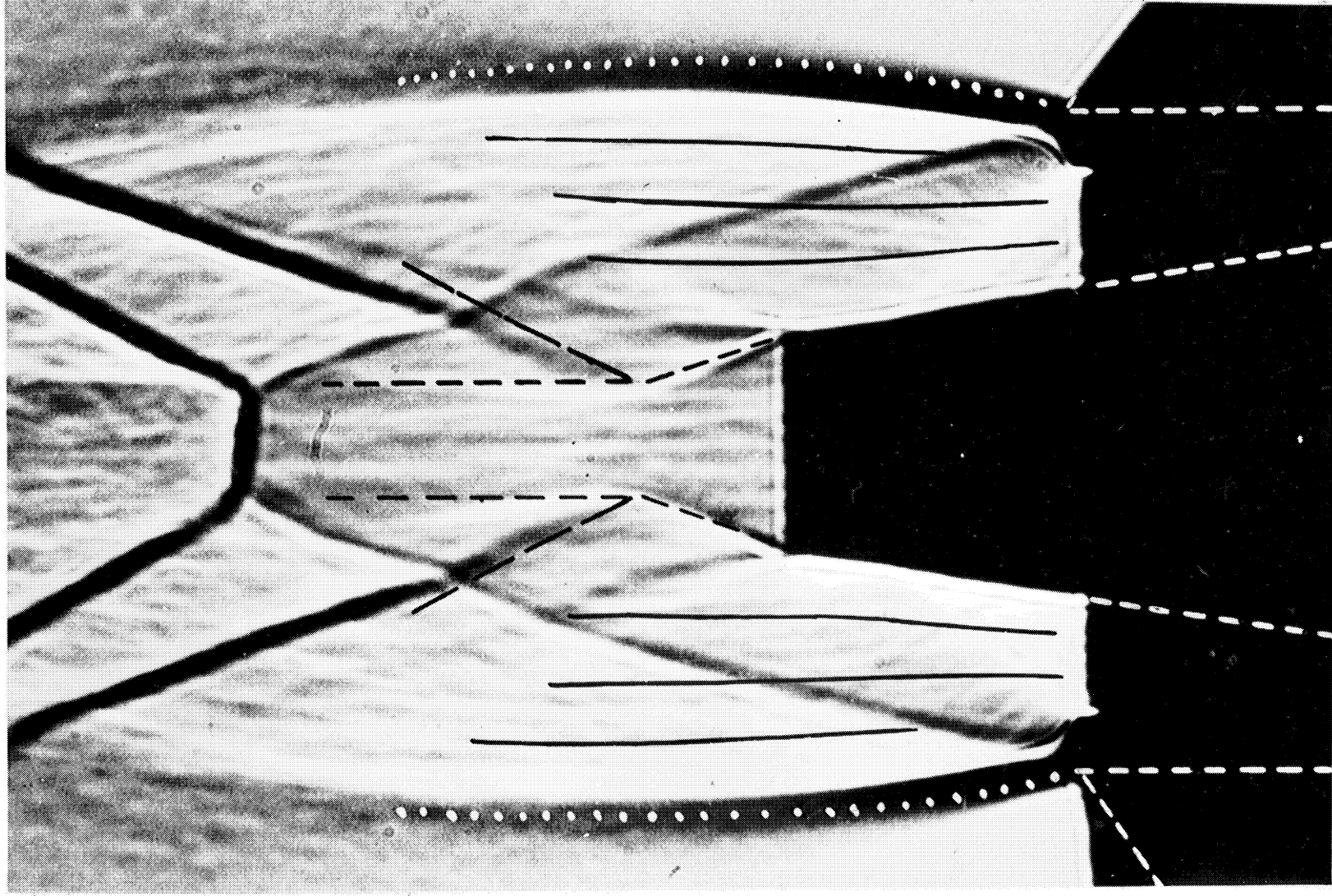


Fig. 60. Experimental and Analytical Comparison of the Flow Fields of an Axisymmetric Internal-External-Expansion Nozzle.



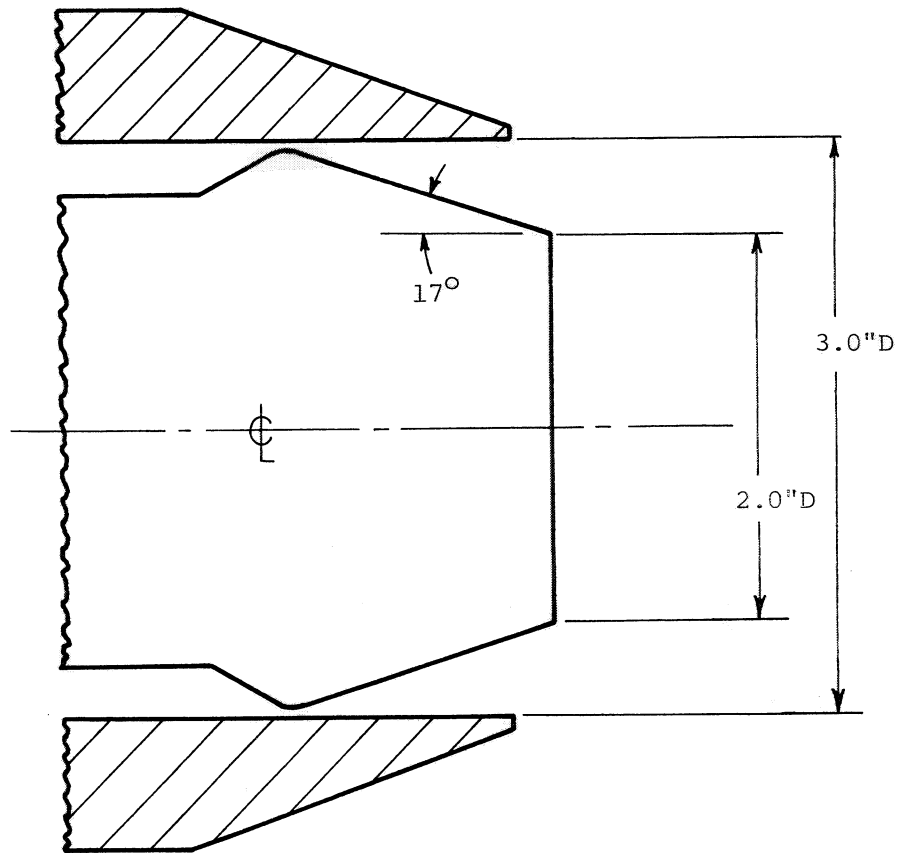


Fig. 61. Schematic of Internal-External-Expansion Nozzle  
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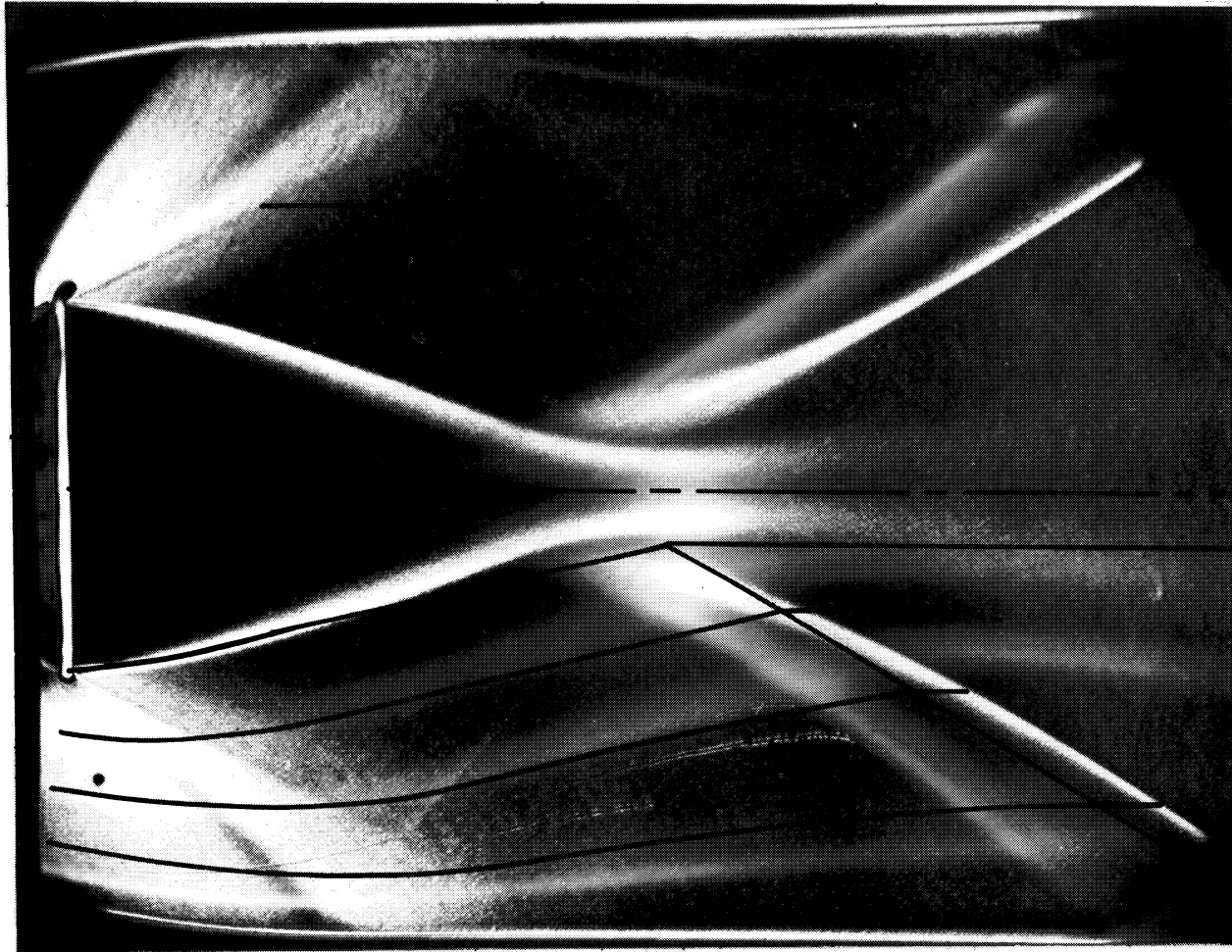


Fig. 62. Comparison Between Analytical Flow Field and Smokeline-Opaque-Stop Schlieren Photograph of Planar Expansion-Deflection Nozzle.

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