

Fig 4 Pitot traverse between model and shock wave

graphs is shown on Fig 4 and corresponds closely with the region of constant pitot pressure

The position of the internally mounted pitot is accurate to ± 0.001 in and that of the externally mounted tube to ± 0.02 The pressures are measured to an accuracy of ± 0.1 psi

It has been shown that it is possible to measure the pitot pressure in the boundary layer on a model in the running time of a hypersonic gun tunnel (40 msec) Other results, which call for further investigation, are the identification of the sonic line in the boundary layer and the boundary of entropy layer

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Analysis of Air Arc-Tunnel Heat-Transfer Data

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Nomenclature

specific heat of mixture Fick coefficient for diffusion of species i through the specific enthalpy (including chemical contributions) Boltzmann constant $k_R(T)$ termolecular (homogeneous) atom recombination rate constant at temperature $T(dn_i/dt = -2k_R i n_i^2 n)$ $(m_i n_{i w})^{1-n} [kT_w/(2\pi m_i)]^{1/2} \gamma_i$ k_{wii} Lewis number $\equiv D_i/[\lambda_f/(\rho c_{p\ f})]$ Le_i mass of species i m_i ntrue reaction order number density (p/kT)number of thermochemical energy carriers N

pressure P_r Prandtl number for heat conduction =

 $(\mu/\rho)/[\lambda_f/(\rho c_{p,f})]$ = Prandtl number for diffusion $\equiv (\mu/\rho)/D_i$ Pr_D

calorimeter heat flux

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= recovery factor for chemical energy³ associated with r_{Di} species $i; r_{D,i} = (Le_i)^0$ for stagnation-point boundary

 St_D i = local Stanton number for convective transport of species i

Tabsolute temperature

component of gas velocity parallel to surface

 $z^{(G)}$ generalized gas-phase recombination parameter Eq (4) $k_w i \rho_w (\rho_w \alpha_i)^{n-1} / (\rho u St_{Di})$

 $z_i^{(W)}$

mass fraction of species i in the mixture α_i

heterogeneous recombination coefficient (probability that an atom incident upon the surface will recombine)

λ thermal conductivity of gas mixture

dynamic viscosity of mixture mass density of mixture

extent of recombination for species i; $\phi_i =$

 $\Delta h_{\mathrm{ch}\ \mathrm{m}\ i}/\Delta h_{\mathrm{hem}\ i\ \mathrm{max}}$

operator meaning change in (across boundary layer)

Subscripts

chem = chemical contribution

at outer edge of boundary layer

pertaining to local thermochemical equilibrium eq

chemically frozen

pertaining to species ii

minimum value (no recombination) min

maximum value (complete recombination) max

w

pertaining to atoms in a binary mixture 1

Introduction

WETHERN¹ has compared data on subsonic air arctunnel heat transfer to a water-cooled copper calorimeter with the predictions of several limiting theoretical models end concluded that the assumptions of chemically frozen boundary-layer flow and a noncatalytic wall were virtually exact for most of the conditions studied Since a copper surface can behave this way at stagnation pressures and enthalpies approaching 1 atm and 10⁴ Btu/lbm, respectively, calorimeter catalytic activity becomes an important parameter, particularly if effective heats of ablation or total enthalpies are subsequently to be determined from heat-transfer data obtained at thermally significant dissociation levels In this note, a direct procedure for estimating catalytic activities from such calorimeter heat-transfer data is illustrated, and a prediction is made of the stagnation pressure levels at which gas-phase atom recombination should mask the observed effects of calorimeter surface specificity under arctunnel conditions Implications of this result for materials testing, and factors governing the probability of atom recombination on metal and metal oxide surfaces, are briefly discussed in the light of recent kinetic observations

General Theory

It is a short step to go from limiting heat fluxes (i e, predictions or data giving \dot{q}''_{max} and \dot{q}''_{min}) and calorimeter heat flux data of the type presented in Ref 1 to quantitative estimates of the relevant atom recombination probabilities, particularly when the stagnation pressure level and calorimeter size are sufficiently small so that gas-phase atom recombination (in the boundary layer) can be neglected † Applying the methods exploited in Refs 2 and 3, one can readily show that

$$\frac{\dot{q}'' - \dot{q}''_{\min}}{\dot{q}''_{\max} - \dot{q}''_{\min}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} \phi_{i} r_{D i} \Delta h_{\text{chem } i \max}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} r_{D i} \Delta h_{\text{ hem } i \max}}$$
(1)

[†] See section entitled "Gas-Phase Recombination"

As indicated, each species i that can transport thermochemical energy to the solid surface makes a contribution to the normalized difference between the observed heat flux \dot{q}'' and the minimum (no recombination) heat flux \dot{q}''_{\min} in accord with the corresponding extent of reaction ϕ_i , recovery factor r_D , and maximum possible chemical enthalpy change $\Delta h_{\text{chem }i}$ max across the boundary layer

The terms $r_{D,i}$ and $\Delta h_{\text{hem }i}$ max can usually be evaluated from transport‡ and thermodynamic property considerations alone; however, both chemical kinetic and aerodynamic parameters enter into the determination of each ϕ_i through the dimensionless grouping $z_i^{(W)}$ defined in the Nomenclature–Indeed, it is an explicit knowledge of the $\phi_i(z_i^{(W)})$ relation which, in principle, enables each recombination coefficient γ_i to be extracted from arcjet data and from predictions of the type reported in Ref. 1—For example, if 1)—each heterogeneous recombination process proceeds independently of the others and is kinetically first order (n=1), 2) the surface temperature is sufficiently low so that $\alpha_{i=q}(T_w; p) \ll \alpha_i$, and 3) gas-phase atom recombination§ is negligible, then

$$\phi_i = z_i^{(W)} [1 + z_i^{(W)}]^{-1} \tag{2}$$

Although one could now formally determine each of the N values of γ_i from N or more calorimeter heat flux measurements in a partially dissociated gas mixture, as in any multiparameter "fitting" procedure, the accuracy and precision demands on the data would be very great, particularly for $N \geq 2$ Because of this limitation and for purposes of illustration, consider the simple case of a partially dissociated diatomic gas. Then a single coefficient γ characterizes the kinetics of the gas/solid interaction, and the right-hand side of Eq. (1) simplifies to ϕ (regardless of the magnitudes of r_D and $\Delta h_{\rm ch\ m\ max}$). Making use of Eq. (2) and the definition of the catalytic parameter $z^{(W)}$, it follows that, for each heat flux measurement, one can compute \P a corresponding recombination coefficient γ from**

$$\gamma = \left(\frac{2\pi m_1}{kT_w}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\rho_e u_e S t_D}{\rho_w}\right) \left(\frac{\dot{q}'' - \dot{q}''_{\min}}{\dot{q}''_{\max} - \dot{q}''}\right)$$
(3)

If, in a particular series of experiments, surface-catalyzed atom recombination alone were responsible for calorimeter heat fluxes falling between $\dot{q}''_{\text{m x}}$ and \dot{q}''_{min} , and if the assumptions underlying Eq. (3) were applicable, then a single ("best") value of the recombination coefficient γ should adequately correlate all of the heat flux data for a given calorimeter and surface temperature

Application to Air Arc-Tunnel Data

Both oxygen and nitrogen atoms are, in general, present in air arc-tunnel experiments In accord with Eq. (1), allowance should therefore be made for expected differences in the

‡ Strictly speaking, the dependence of each recovery factor $r_{D\,i}$ on the Lewis number Le_i is specific to a given flow situation However, in most cases of forced convection in dilute mixtures, departures from the simple approximation $r_{D\,i} \approx (Le_i)^{2/3}$ are small In the nondilute case, each Le_i will vary appreciably across the boundary layer, and the recovery factor becomes dependent upon the extent of recombination and freestream species concentration

§ This expression, which is exact at a stagnation point,² ⁴ provides a good approximation elsewhere³ when each $z_i^{(W)}$ is based on the local species transfer coefficient $St_{D,i}$

¶ In a binary gas, the equation of state implies $\rho_w/\rho=(T/T_w)\left[(1+\alpha_e)/(1+\alpha_w)\right]$ where α_w can be written as α $(1-\phi)$ For $N\geq 2$, however, an iterative procedure would be required to calculate the gas density adjacent to the surface

** În applying Eq (3) to the data reported in Ref 1, a useful relation, derivable from the heat-mass-transfer analogy for non-dissipative boundary layers $(\frac{1}{2}u^2 \ll \Delta h_{\min})$ is $\rho u St_{Di} = r_{Di} g''_{\min}/\Delta h_{\min}$

efficiency with which a particular calorimeter surface (selectively) catalyzes the recombination of these atoms Although numerically less important, the effective recovery factors for chemical energy may be different as well Thus, only in the special case of equal $r_{D,i}$ and comparable recombination efficiencies †† would Eq (3) be applicable to air arctunnel experiments carried out in the presence of thermally significant amounts of atomic nitrogen For example, in Ref 1, the only experiments in which the effects of nitrogen dissociation can be neglected were those at 0 42 and 0 68 atm At 0 136 atm, with h = 8800 Btu/lbm, nitrogen atoms accounted for something like 70% of the freestream dissociation enthalpy Nevertheless, if one formally subjects all of Wethern's published data‡‡ to Eq (3), one finds that the copper calorimeter was not strictly noncatalytic but, more likely, was characterized by recombination efficiencies of the order of §§ 10^{-3} at $T_w = 366^{\circ}$ K It is interesting to note that, under the highest pressure conditions investigated (p =068 atm), a calorimeter surface with a recombination coefficient of the order of 10⁻¹ would have, essentially, acted

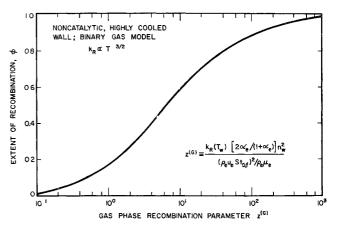


Fig 1 Dependence of the extent of recombination ϕ on the generalized recombination parameter $z^{(G)}$ for boundary layers with negligible viscous dissipation

as a "perfect" catalyst, particularly in view of the precision of arcjet heat-transfer measurements

Gas-Phase Recombination

Before considering the implications of recombination probabilities of this order of magnitude, it is of interest to assess quantitatively the possible role of gas-phase atom recombination in determining the observed heat fluxes Explicit neglect of gas-phase recombination, as done in the foregoing evidently leads to an upper bound to the catalytic efficiency of the calorimeter surface. Indeed, it is, a priori, possible that the calorimeter surface was truly noncatalytic and that the observed heat flux difference $\dot{q}'' - \dot{q}''_{\min}$ was due solely to atom recombination within the boundary layer. Let us examine this possibility for the highest pressure data point reported by Wethern, since, in this experiment, 1) gas-phase recombination effects should have been most noticeable, and 2) only atomic oxygen was present at the

^{††} That is recombination coefficients that differ only by the square root of the atomic mass ratio

^{‡‡} It would appear that the constant 0 793 $(Pr_w)^{-0.6}$ given in Eq (2) of Ref 1 should be replaced by 0 763 $(Pr_w)^{-0.6}$ Moreover, in calculating \dot{q}''_{\min} from the frozen flow form of Eq (2) of Ref 1, the nonunity Lewis number correction term should be dropped, since convection conduction is the only operative energy transfer mechanism in this limiting case

^{§§} Larger values of γ would be indicated only if \dot{q}''_{max} and \dot{q}''_{min} were systematically overestimated, as can be seen $b^{\hat{\Lambda}}$ performing an error analysis using Eq. (3)

outer edge of the boundary layer (ie, the binary gas approximation is valid) ¶¶ As suggested in Ref 6, for highly cooled surfaces the extent of the gas-phase reaction should be governed by a generalized recombination parameter of the form*

$$z^{(G)} \equiv \frac{k_R(T_w) \left[2\alpha_e/(1 + \alpha_e) \right] n_w^2}{(\rho u St_{Df})^2/\rho_e \mu_e}$$
(4)

This parameter incorporates all of the essential physical ideas discussed in Refs 5-8 and is readily evaluated from the data reported in Ref 1 However, an estimate of the termolecular rate constant $k_R(T_w)$ must be introduced, and for this purpose we have used the result of Ref 9, extrapolated from 300° to 366° K on the basis of a $T^{-3/2}$ power law The value of $(\dot{q}'' - \dot{q}''_{\min})/(\dot{q}''_{\max} - \dot{q}''_{\min})$ to be expected at each $z^{(G)}$ for a noncatalytic surface can be estimated from the specific numerical stagnation-point† boundary-layer solutions of Fay and Riddell by correlating their rate parameter with $z^{(G)}$ in accord with the respective definitions and the methods outlined in Ref 6 The result is shown in Fig 1, which, for example, can be used to predict the pressure level at which gas-phase recombination alone would have led to the heat flux observed in experiment 7 of Ref 1 One finds that stagnation pressures in excess of 4 atm would have been required, implying that gas-phase recombination should play a minor role in determining calorimeter heat fluxes in subatmospheric arc-tunnels of the type investigated in Refs 1 This result also has important implications for materials testing in air arc-tunnels, particularly at higher specimen surface temperatures For example, it is now known that the oxidation probability for O atoms can exceed that for O₂ molecules incident upon carbon, ¹¹ platinum, ¹² molybdenum, 13 and polyolefin 14 surfaces by more than two orders of magnitude Thus the local oxygen atom concentration must be considered an important parameter in correlating flight and laboratory test data ‡

Catalytic Activity of Metal and Metal Oxide Surfaces

Values of γ of the order of 10^{-3} might at first sight seem surprisingly low in view of some available atom recombination data for both copper 15 16 20 and copper oxide 17 18 surfaces at temperatures near 300°K \$ However, it is unlikely that any kinetic data exist which overlap arc-tunnel conditions with regard to the detailed state of the test surface Even in the absence of electrode impurities, the reasons for this are at least twofold First, the identity and populations of the adsorbed species and even the nature of the effective adsorbent lattice are expected to be different for metals exposed to partially dissociated air at these pressures from, say, the bulk oxide exposed only to a mixture of oxygen atoms

¶¶ Even if nitrogen atoms were also present, in accord with the results of Ref 5, the pressure at which gas-phase recombination comes into play cannot be smaller than that predicted on the basis of the binary gas/noncatalytic wall model

Here the atom mole fraction $2\alpha/(1+\alpha)$ has been used to describe the composition dependence of $z^{(G)}$ at appreciable dissociation levels

† When cast in terms of $z^{(G)}$, results for the extent of recombina tion (e.g., Fig. 1) are expected to provide a useful approximation away from the stagnation point⁶ for nonequilibrium boundary layers with negligible viscous dissipation Even at the forward stagnation point, this technique provides nonequilibrium convective heat-transfer predictions for flight conditions and wall temperatures other than those specifically treated in Ref 7

† This conclusion applies to the use of oxyacetylene torch tests as well; eg, at the mixture ratio giving maximum adiabatic flame temperature (at p = 1 atm), the O-atom number density exceeds that for O₂ (cf Ref 22)

§ As an example, the data reported in Ref 18 indicate that γ for O atoms on bulk copper oxide is 1.6 \times 10⁻¹ at $T_w = 366$ K, $p \approx 3 \times 10^{-3}$ atm For N atoms on copper, Ammann²⁰ reports a sharp decline in γ at temperatures below 500°K Above this temperature γ assumes a plateau value of about 0.6

and oxygen molecules, or "clean" copper exposed only to a mixture of nitrogen atoms and nitrogen molecules the total pressures are very different, and there is evidence that increasing total pressure drastically reduces nitrogen atom recombination coefficients** on cool copper and copper oxide surfaces, 19 perhaps because of the interference of weakly adsorbed gas layers. In short, it is probably overly optimistic to expect O-atom and N-atom recombination coefficients taken from independent studies at different pressures to apply under the composite conditions likely to be met in aerodynamic practice This situation, which is in need of clarification, should be kept in mind in comparing future test data of the type quantitatively discussed here1 with kinetic data obtained from other sources 15-20

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Laminar Wake with Arbitrary **Initial Profiles**

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Introduction

K UBOTA^{1 2} has solved the problem of a two-dimensional laminar compressible wake with an arbitrary streamwise pressure gradient by applying an Oseen-type linearization The initial velocity and enthalpy distributions were assumed to be delta functions This analysis has been extended to the axisymmetric case and to include arbitrary initial velocity and enthalpy distributions

Analysis

It is assumed that the flow in the viscous wake is described by the boundary-layer equations By introducing the following transformations

$$x(x^*) = \int_0^{x^*} \left(\frac{\rho^* U^*}{\rho_{\infty}^* U_{\infty}^*} \right)^{1-m} \frac{\mu_e^*}{\mu_{\infty}^*} \frac{dx^*}{d^*}$$
 (1a)

$$\frac{y^{m+1}(x^*,y^*)}{(m+1)} = \frac{\rho_e * U}{\rho_\infty * U_\infty *} (RC)^{(m+1)/2} \int_0^{y^*} \frac{\rho^*}{\rho^*} y^{*m} \frac{dy^*}{d^{*m+1}}$$
 (1b)

$$C = \frac{\rho_e^* \mu^*}{\rho^* \mu^*} = \text{Chapman-Rubesin factor}$$

$$= \text{const.}$$
(1c)

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the boundary-layer equations become

Continuity

$$\frac{\partial uy^m}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial vy^m}{\partial y} = 0 \tag{2a}$$

Momentum

$$u\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{U}\frac{dU}{dx}(h - u^2) + \frac{1}{u^m}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left[\left(\frac{\Lambda y^*}{d*_u}\right)^{2m}y^m\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right]$$
(2b)

Energy

$$u\frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + v\frac{\partial h}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{y^m}\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[{}^{1}_{\sigma} \left(\frac{\Lambda y^*}{d^* y} \right)^{2m} y^m \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right] + (\gamma - 1) M^2 \left(\frac{\Lambda y^*}{d^* u} \right)^{2m} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2$$
(2e)

State

$$h(x,y) = \frac{h^*(x^*,y^*)}{h^*(x^*)} = \frac{\rho_e^*(x^*)}{\rho^*(x^*,y^*)}$$
(2d)

where

$$u(x \ y) = u^*(x^*, y^*)/U^*(x^*)$$

$$R = \rho_{\infty}^* U_{\infty}^* d^*/\mu_{\infty}^*$$

$$\Lambda = [(\rho^* U^*/\rho_{\infty}^* U_{\infty}^*)RC]^{1/2}$$

$$\sigma = \text{Prandtl number} = \text{const}$$

$$U^* = U^*(x^*)$$

$$U = U(x)$$

$$h^* = h^*(x^*)$$

$$h = h(x)$$

$$\{ = 0 \text{ two-dimensional flow} \}$$

$$\{ = 1 \text{ axisy mmetric flow} \}$$

and the subscripts ∞ and e refer to the freestream and local external quantities, respectively The total local external enthalpy $H^* = h^* + \frac{1}{2}U^{*2}$ is assumed to be constant The boundary conditions are:

$$u(0,y) = u_0(y) \qquad h(0,y) = h_0(y)$$

$$u(x,\infty) = 1 \qquad h(x,\infty) = 1$$

$$m = 0 \qquad \partial u(x,0)/\partial y = 0 \qquad \partial h(x,0)/\partial y = 0$$

$$m = 1 \qquad u(x,0) \text{ finite} \qquad h(x,0) \text{ finite}$$

$$(4)$$

In the spirit of Oseen, let

$$u(x,y) = 1 - \bar{u}(x,y) \qquad \bar{u}(x,y) \ll 1$$

$$h(x,y) = 1 + \bar{h}(x,y) \qquad \bar{h}(x,y) \ll 1$$

$$(5)$$

Substituting Eq. (5) into Eqs. (1) and (2), and retaining the lowest order terms, the following set of linear differential equations are obtained:

$$(\Lambda y^*/d^*y)^{2m} \equiv 1$$
 $m = 0$ $m = 1$ (6a)

$$v(x,y) = O(\bar{h}) \tag{6b}$$

$$\frac{\partial (U_{\epsilon^2} \bar{u})}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{y^m} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[y^m \frac{\partial (U_{\epsilon^2} \bar{u})}{\partial y} \right] - \frac{\bar{h}}{2} \frac{dU_{\epsilon^2}}{dx}$$
(6c)

$$\frac{\partial \bar{h}}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{1}{y^m} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(y^m \frac{\partial \bar{h}}{\partial y} \right) \tag{6d}$$

subject to the boundary conditions

$$\bar{u}(0,y) = \bar{u}_0(y) \qquad \bar{h}(0,y) = \bar{h}_0(y)$$

$$\bar{u}(x,\infty) = 0 \qquad \bar{h}(x,\infty) = 0$$

$$m = 0 \qquad \partial \bar{u}(x,0)/\partial y = 0 \qquad \partial \bar{h}(x,0)/\partial y = 0$$

$$m = 1 \qquad \bar{u}(x,0) \text{ finite} \qquad \bar{h}(x,0) \text{ finite}$$

$$(7)$$