For the case of k = 7/5, the solution to Eq. (5) is

$$I_{T} = \frac{7}{15} \left\{ \left[3 \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{i}} \right)^{-4/7} + 4 \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{i}} \right)^{-2/7} + 8 \right] \left[\left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{i}} \right)^{-2/7} - 1 \right]^{1/2} - \left[3 \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{f}} \right)^{-4/7} + 4 \left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{f}} \right)^{-2/7} + 8 \right] \left[\left(\frac{P_{2}}{P_{f}} \right)^{-2/7} - 1 \right]^{1/2} \right\}$$
 (6)

The corresponding solution for the nondimensional time parameter τ is written

$$\tau = \left(\frac{7}{2}\right) l_n \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + \frac{35\sqrt{5}}{648} \left\{\frac{428\sqrt{5}}{125} - \left[3\left(\frac{P_2}{P}\right)^{-4/7} + 4\left(\frac{P_2}{P}\right)^{-2/7} + 8\right] \left[\left(\frac{P_2}{P}\right)^{-2/7} - 1\right]^{1/2}\right\}$$
(7)

Equation (6) above does not agree with Eq. (7b) of Ref. 1. As a consequence, Eq. (7) above also differs from Eq. (19) of Ref. 1. A check of Eq. (6) was made by differentiating it and comparing the result of Eq. (5) evaluated at k=7/5. This comparison verified that Eq. (6) presented herein is the correct solution.

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It is gratifying to see that more general solutions to the venting problem exist and are now widely available to the engineering and scientific community. We verified Eq. (6) of the Comment¹ by applying its recurrence formula (3).

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