

Detonation

Q: Differences between

- Explosion
- Deflagration
- Detonation
- Flame

Explosion →

- Somewhat generic term
- Rapid heat release
 - Chain Branching Reactions, Runaway Reactions
- Can be homogeneous
- often means violent, uncontrolled

Deflagration

- Subsonic wave
- Combustion wave usually means Deflagration,
- Sustained by reaction,
- Propagated by Diffusion:
 - A Diffusion wave Sustained by Rxn.

Flame

- Usually means Deflagration,
- Flame synonymous w/ Deflagration, combustion wave,

Detonation

- Supersonic wave sustained by Rxn.
- High ΔP compresses → Auto ignition.
- Not Diffusion-limited

Table : See slide.

Videos : Chemical Plant
PDE

Detonation Process:

• Tube with premixture

• Right at closed End:



open at both ends → Deflagration

1. $\frac{P_0}{P_1} \approx 7$ → as flame propagates, tube gases expand (to push reactants out)

2. Gas expansion sends out compression waves at the sound speed.

3. Compression → higher flame speed →
 - Succeeding waves catch up
 - Preheating also increases flame speed.

4. Higher speed → Gas pushed out faster → turbulent flow

5. High speed flames → compression waves pile up, form a shock → high DP

6. Shock compresses/ignites

7. Rxn zone behind the shock sends a

continuous compression wave that keeps the shock from decaying. → Detonation.

• Products expand as shock flow → $Ma = 1$

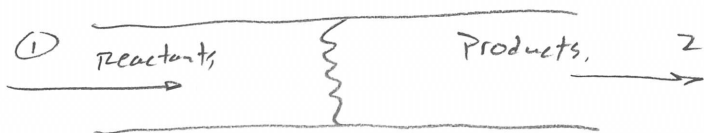
$$Ma = \frac{v}{c(T, x)}$$

• Compression w/o a compressor

Can't expand faster than sound → compression

Analysis.

- Flow in a tube: 1-D, SS, Const A, Ideal Gas



• Frame Following Detonation → Det is Stationary with Flow in/out.

* Mass: $\dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 \rightarrow \boxed{\rho_1 V_1 = \rho_2 V_2}$

* Momentum: $\boxed{P_1 + \rho_1 V_1^2 = P_2 + \rho_2 V_2^2}$

$$\frac{dP}{dx} + \frac{d}{dx}(\rho V^2) = -\frac{dP}{dx} + \frac{dT}{dx} + (\text{Body Force})$$

SS $\int \rightarrow z=0$ at inlet, outlet \rightarrow Get

* Energy: $h_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = h_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2}$
(argue / show this.)

$$h = h_0 + C_p(T - T_r)$$

• Assume C_p is const, $C_{p1} = C_{p2}$

$$h_{01} + C_p T_1 - C_p T_r + \frac{V_1^2}{2} = h_{02} + C_p T_2 - C_p T_r + \frac{V_2^2}{2}$$

$$C_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} + \underbrace{(h_{01} - h_{02})}_q = C_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2}$$

↳ "heat addition."

$$\boxed{C_p T_1 + \frac{V_1^2}{2} + q = C_p T_2 + \frac{V_2^2}{2}}$$

* Ideal Gas Law: $\boxed{P = \frac{MP}{RT}}$

• Assume $M_1 = M_2$

• Given State ① : T_1, P_1, V_1 ($\rightarrow \dot{m}'' = \rho_1 V_1$)

• Have 4 eqns in 4 unknowns : V_2, T_2, ρ_2, P_2

(Technically we don't know $V_1 \rightarrow$ specify it for now)

• $\frac{1}{\rho_2} = v_2$

• we can think of Mon, Energy as

2 eqns in $P_2, \frac{1}{\rho_2}$ with $\frac{\text{mass}}{\rho_2} \rightarrow V_2$
 $\frac{\text{I.G.L}}{T_2} \rightarrow T_2$

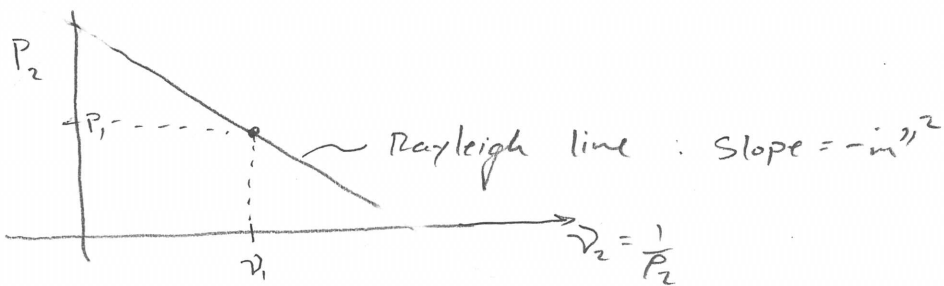
Combine Mass, Momentum

$$\dot{m}''^2 = \rho_1^2 V_1^2 = \rho_2^2 V_2^2 = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\frac{1}{\rho_1} - \frac{1}{\rho_2}}$$

Rayleigh Line.
(R.L.)

$$P_2 = (P_1 + \dot{m}''^2 v_1) - \dot{m}''^2 v_2$$

Plot

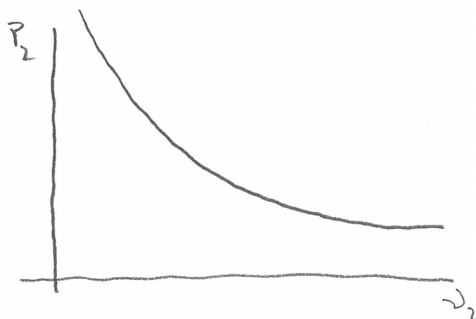


Combine Mass, Momentum, Energy, Ideal Gas Law,

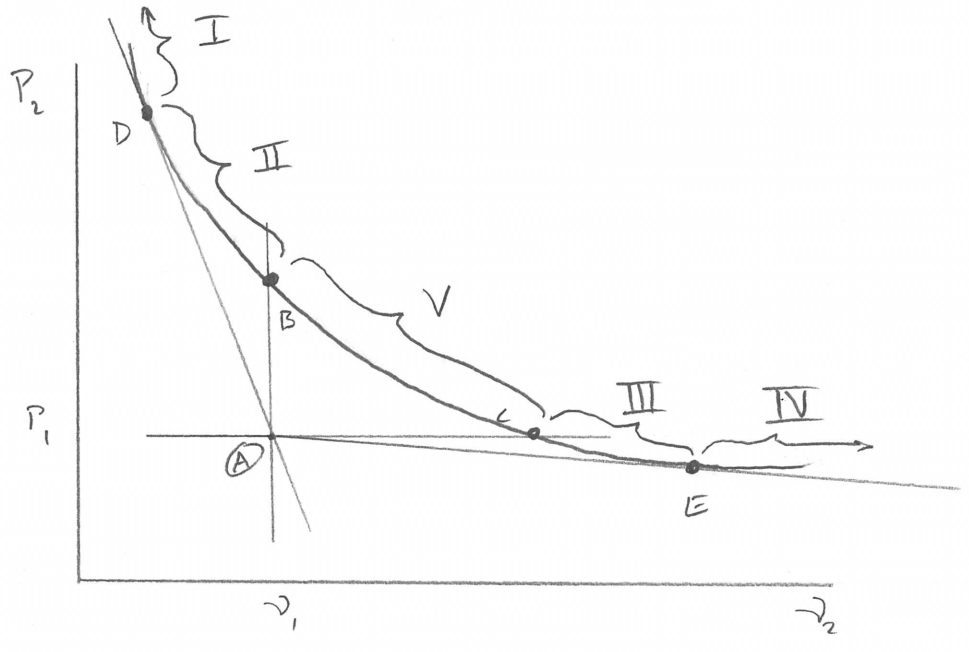
with $\gamma = C_p/C_v$, $C_p - C_v = \frac{R}{M}$ (J/kg.K)

$$\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} (P_2 v_2 - P_1 v_1) - \frac{1}{2} (P_2 - P_1) (v_1 + v_2) - q = 0$$

Rankine-Hugoniot Curve.
(R.H.C.)



R.L., RHC:



I: Strong Detonation

Supersonic \rightarrow Subsonic. (Slows.)

II Weak Detonation

Supersonic \rightarrow Supersonic (Slows)

(V Not Possible.) $-v^{-2}$ is slope is positive in V \rightarrow not possible.

III Weak Deflagration.

Subsonic \rightarrow subsonic (speeds)

IV Strong Deflagration

Subsonic \rightarrow Supersonic (speeds)

I. Possible, but hard to achieve.
"overdriven shock in special config."

II. Most Detonations happen at point D
• Entropy is minimum here (See Supplement)

III "Premixed Flames" are just below Point C

IV Not observed (no subsonic \rightarrow supersonic in a constant area duct).
• Entropy is maximum at Point E.
(See supplement.)

• D, E are Chapman Jouget points: C, J

Velocity

• Take point 1D $\rightarrow v_2 = c_2$

$$c_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma R T_2}{M}}$$

• Find v_1

Mass:
$$v_1 = \frac{\rho_2 c_2}{\rho_1}$$

Use Mass, Mom, Energy, Ig to solve in terms of State 1

$$v_1 = \left[2(\gamma + 1) \gamma \frac{R}{M_2} (T_1 + q/c_p) \right]^{1/2}$$

• Assumes $P_2 \gg P_1$

(some better eqns also given)

(16.26, 16.27)

\rightarrow Requires some iteration.

See slide comparison.

(doesn't use our eqns \uparrow exactly, but close)

See Matlab code for general solution.

Chemical Engineering 522

Gaseous Detonations



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Detonation vs. Deflagration

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Detonation



$$P_2/P_1 = 13-55$$

$$T_2/T_1 = 8-21$$

$$v_2/v_1 = 0.4-0.7$$

Property	Detonation ^b	Deflagration ^c
Ma_1	5-10	0.001
Ma_2	1.0	0.003
$v_{x,2}/v_{x,1}$	0.4-0.7	7.5
P_2/P_1	13-55	≈ 1
T_2/T_1	8-21	7.5
ρ_2/ρ_1	1.7-2.6	0.13

Deflagration



$$P_2/P_1 = 0.98$$

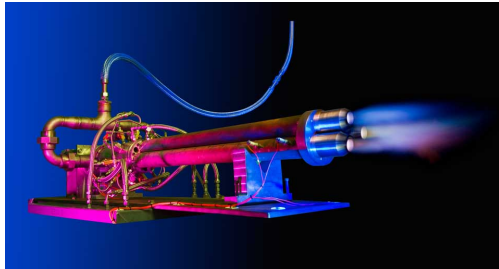
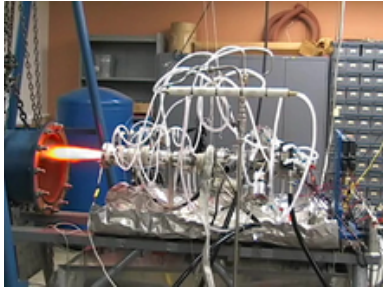
$$T_2/T_1 = 4-16$$

$$v_2/v_1 = 7.5$$



Pulse Detonation Engines

(High pressure without the compressor)
Gases expanded as "choked flow" at sonic velocity
Detonation wave speed is supersonic



Cellular Structure

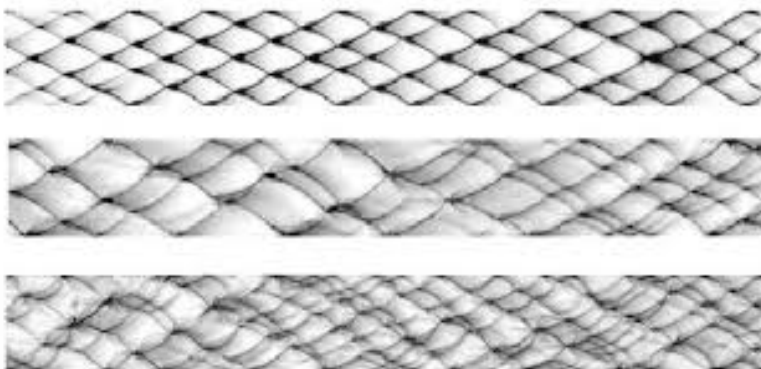


TABLE 5.3 Detonation Velocities of Various Mixtures^a

	Measured velocity (m/s)	Calculated		
		Velocity (m/s)	P ₂ (atm)	T ₂ (K)
4H ₂ + O ₂	3390	3408	17.77	3439
2H ₂ + O ₂	2825	2841	18.56	3679
H ₂ + 3O ₂	1663	1737	14.02	2667
CH ₄ + O ₂	2528	2639	31.19	3332
CH ₄ + 1.5 O ₂	2470	2535	31.19	3725
0.7C ₂ N ₂ + O ₂	2570	2525	45.60	5210

^aP₀ = 1 atm, T₀ = 298 K.

TABLE 5.4 Detonation Velocities of Fuel–Air Mixtures

Fuel–air mixture	Hydrogen–air $\phi = 0.6$		Hydrogen–air $\phi = 1.0$		Propane–air $\phi = 0.6$	
	1	2	1	2	1	2
M	4.44	1.00	4.84	1.00	4.64	1.00
u (m/s)	1710	973	1971	1092	1588	906
P (atm)	1.0	12.9	1.0	15.6	1.0	13.8
T (K)	298	2430	298	2947	298	2284
ρ/ρ_1	1.00	1.76	1.00	1.80	1.00	1.75
T _{ad} at P ₁ (K)		1838		2382		1701
T _{ad} at P ₂ (K)		1841		2452		1702

