
Jet and Rocket Propulsion

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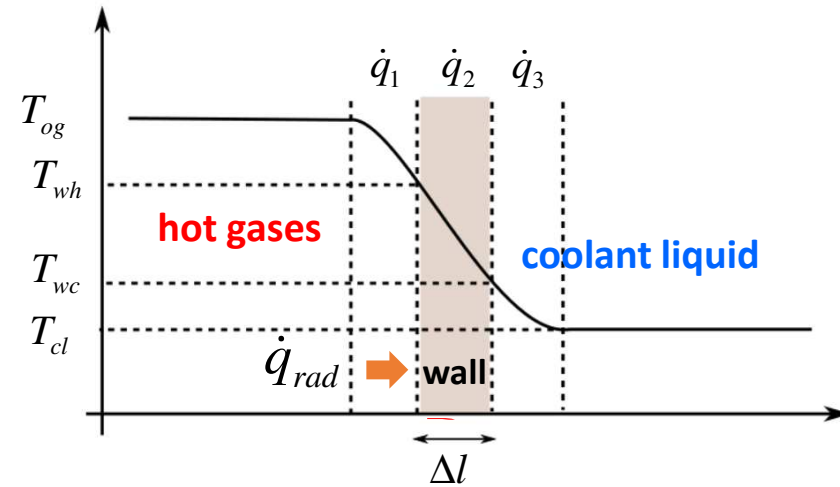
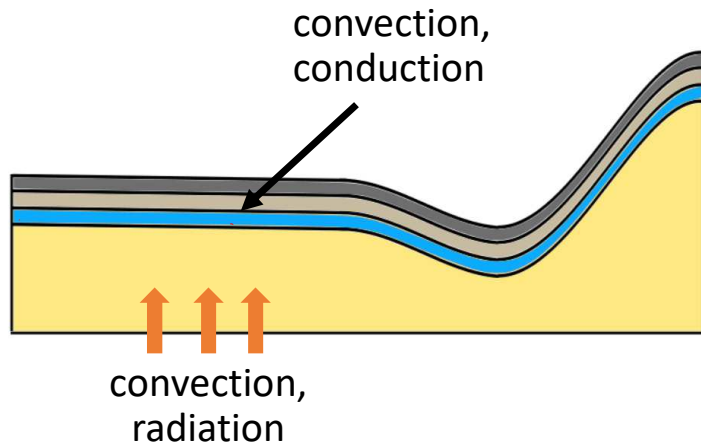
LECTURE 26

Overview

- what we saw in Lecture 24
 - heat transfer
 - types of combustion chamber cooling: regenerative, ablative, radiation, film
 - heat transfer modes: conductive, convective, radiative
- Lecture 25: midterm exam
- today
 - heat transfer calculations and correlations

Heat transfer

Heat transfer in the combustion chamber and nozzle

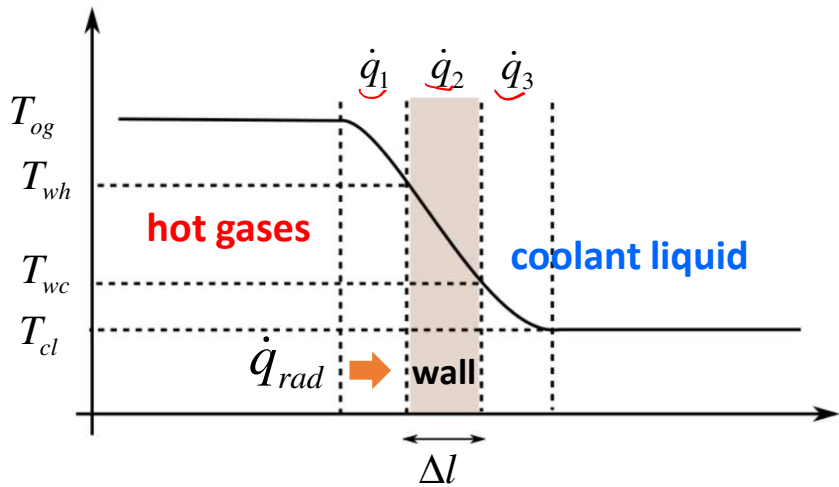


$$\dot{q}_{conv} = \frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{\frac{1}{h_g} + \frac{\Delta l}{k} + \frac{1}{h_l}} \quad \text{convective heat flux}$$

- we can also account for radiative heat flux \dot{q}_{rad}

Heat transfer

Heat transfer in the combustion chamber and nozzle



accounting for radiative heat flux

$$\dot{q} = \dot{q}_{conv} + \dot{q}_{rad}$$

$$\dot{q} = h_g (T_{aw} - T_{wh}) + \dot{q}_{rad} \quad *$$

from before, adiabatic wall temperature: $T_{aw} = rT_{og} + T_{\infty}(1-r)$

for $r = 1$, $T_{aw} = T_{og}$ adiabatic wall temperature matching hot gas stagnation temperature

$$T_{wh} = T_{og} - \left(\frac{\dot{q}_{conv} - \dot{q}_{rad}}{h_g} \right)$$

substituting expression for $\dot{q}_{conv} = \frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{\frac{1}{h_g} + \frac{\Delta l}{k} + \frac{1}{h_l}}$

$$* T_{wh} = T_{og} - \left(\frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{1 + \frac{h_g \Delta l}{k} + \frac{h_g}{h_l}} \right) + \frac{\dot{q}_{rad}}{h_g} \quad \text{i.e. real wall temperature}$$

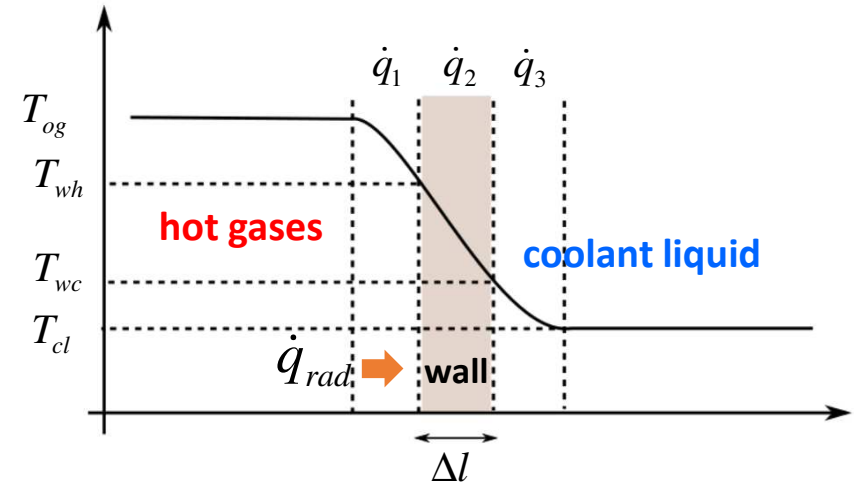
Heat transfer

Heat transfer in the combustion chamber and nozzle

$$T_{wh} = T_{og} - \left(\frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{1 + \frac{h_g \Delta l}{k} + \frac{h_g}{h_l}} \right) + \frac{\dot{q}_{rad}}{h_g}$$

maximize to get cooler wall

often $\dot{q}_{conv} \gg \dot{q}_{rad}$ $\Rightarrow T_{wh} = T_{og} - \left(\frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{1 + \frac{h_g \Delta l}{k} + \frac{h_g}{h_l}} \right)$



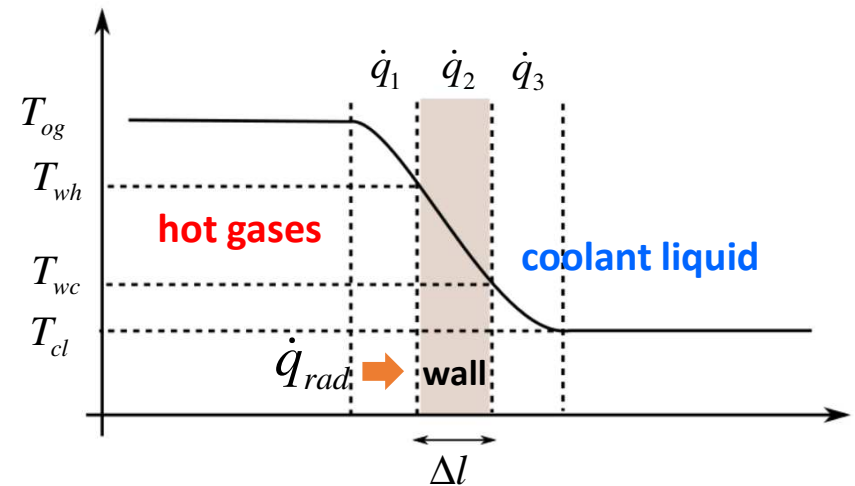
Heat transfer

Reducing hot wall temperature

- lower coolant temperature T_{cl}
 - in combustion chamber, $T_{og} \gg T_{cl}$
 - e.g., 3000 K vs 100 – 250 K, so relatively small effect
- use high conductivity wall material (increase k)
- use thin walls (reduce Δl)
 - structural limits
- lower ratio h_g/h_L
 - reduce heat transfer rate to hot wall, increase rate from cold wall

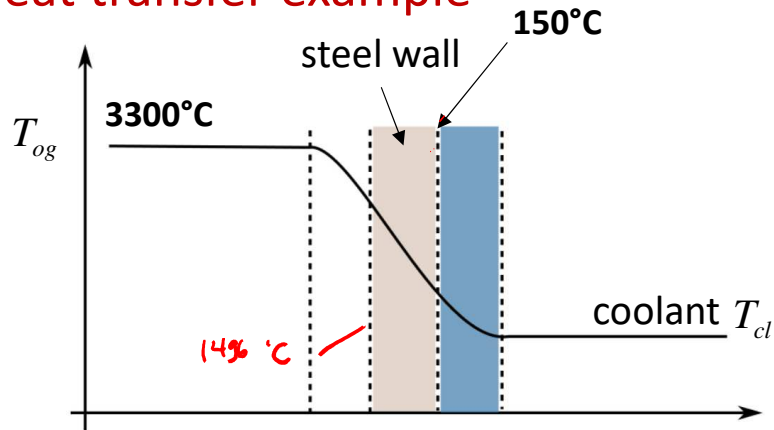
$$\frac{T_{og} - T_{cl}}{1 + \frac{h_g \Delta l}{k} + \frac{h_g}{h_l}}$$

maximize



Heat transfer

Heat transfer example



Consider a given rocket thrust chamber

- outside wall temperature (nozzle throat) = 150°C
- chamber temperature = 3300°C

$$\dot{q}_{throat} = 1.4 \times 10^7 \text{ W/m}^2$$

- throat wall material stainless steel, thickness 0.25 cm
- wall conductivity $k = 26 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

(i) find hot wall temperature at the throat

- assumption: areas equivalent for coolant and hot gases

$$\dot{q}_s = \frac{-k}{\Delta l} (T_{wc} - T_{wh})$$

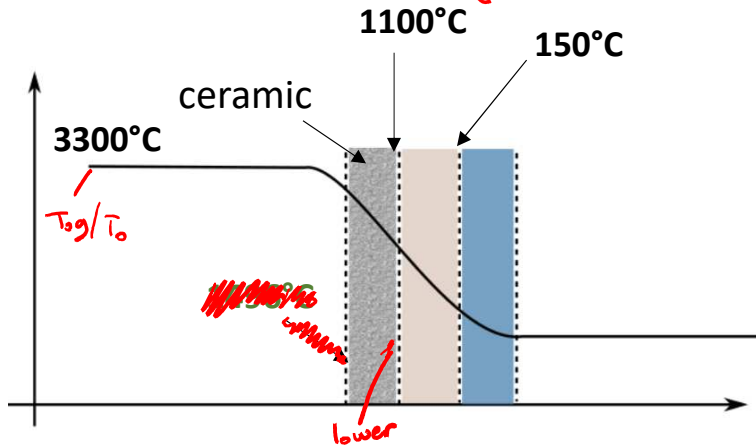
across metal wall

recall, matching fluxes

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{q} = h_g (T_{og} - T_{wh}) \\ \dot{q} = \frac{-k}{\Delta l} (T_{wc} - T_{wh}) \quad \times \\ \dot{q} = h_l (T_{wc} - T_{cl}) \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow T_{wh} = T_{wc} + \frac{\dot{q}\Delta l}{k} = 150 + \left(\frac{1.4 \times 10^7 \times 0.25 \times 10^{-2}}{26} \right) = 1496^\circ\text{C} \quad \times$$

Heat transfer

Heat transfer example ^{1496°C}



New scenario:

- to lower temperature, wall is lined with ceramic
ceramic conductivity $k = 8.65 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{°C}$
- target hot metal wall temperature = 1100°C

(ii) find thickness of ceramic needed

- required heat transfer rate through wall:

$$\dot{q} = \frac{-k}{\Delta l} (T_{wc} - T_{wh}) = \frac{-26}{0.25 \times 10^{-2}} (150 - 1100)$$

$= 9.88 \times 10^6 \text{ W/m}^2$ | $\overline{T_{target}}$

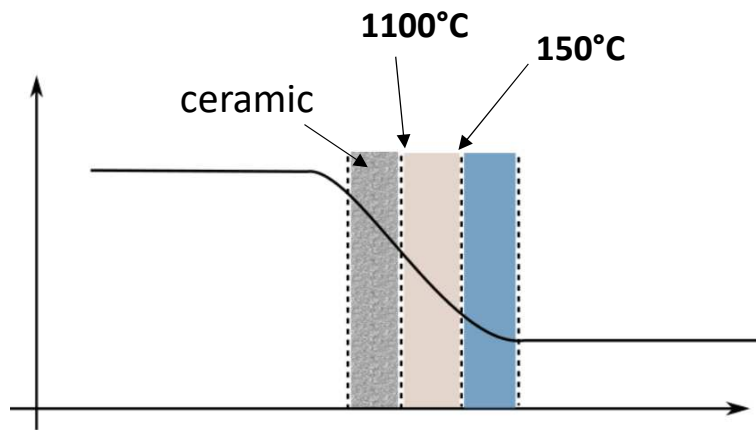
- hot gas flux $\dot{q} = h_g (T_{og} - T_{wh})$
(need this to determine gas heat transfer coefficient)

$$h_g = \frac{\dot{q}}{T_{og} - T_{wh}} = \frac{1.4 \times 10^7}{3300 - 1496} = 7760.53 \text{ W/(m}^2 \cdot \text{°C)}$$

$\overline{\text{previous part } \dot{q}}$
 $\overline{\text{calculated}}$

Heat transfer

Heat transfer example



(ii) find thickness of ceramic needed

- now find temperature on hot side of ceramic

$$\dot{q} = h_g (T_{og} - T_{wh}) \Rightarrow T_{wh} = T_{og} - \frac{\dot{q}}{h_g}$$

$$T_{wh} = 3300 - \frac{9.88 \times 10^6}{7760.53}$$

← required flux

$$T_{wh} = 2026.89 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

- determine ceramic thickness using

$$\dot{q} = \frac{-k}{\Delta l} (T_{wc} - T_{wh})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta l = \frac{-k}{\dot{q}} (T_{wc} - T_{wh})$$

$$= \frac{-8.65}{9.88 \times 10^6} (1100 - 2026.89) = 0.08 \text{ cm}$$

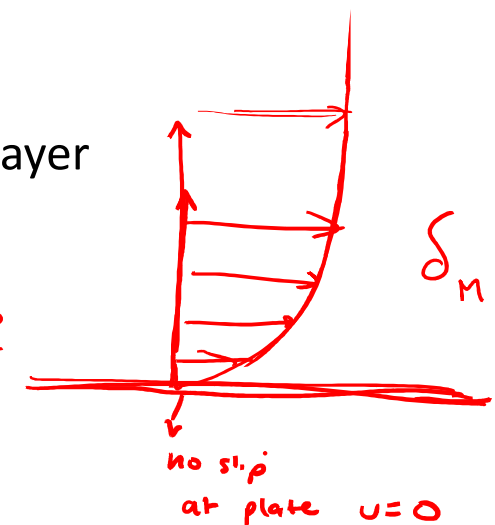
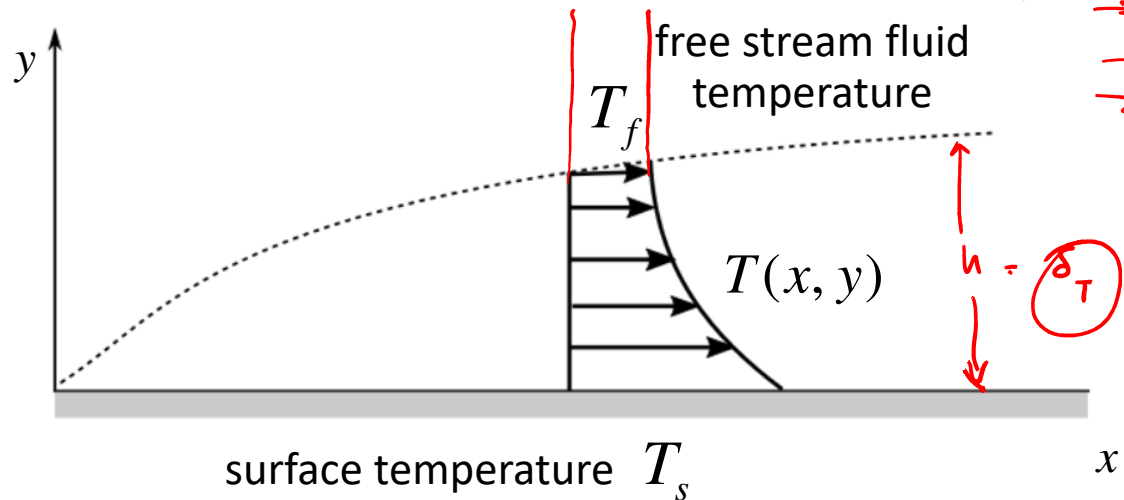
Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

h_c, h_c

- heat transfer problems require information on the convective heat transfer coefficients
 - previous example: inferred the heat transfer coefficient using calculated flux
- convective heat transfer
 - due to fluid moving over surface
 - thermal boundary layer develops, analogous to momentum boundary layer

δ_T
thermal boundary layer thickness = where T reaches 99% of T_f



Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

- the heat transfer coefficient is a function of Re and Pr

$$h = f(Re, Pr) \quad \text{Reynolds, Prandtl numbers}$$

$$Re_L = \frac{\rho u L}{\mu} = \frac{\rho L}{\nu} \quad Pr = \frac{\mu c_p}{k} = \frac{\nu}{\alpha}$$

μ = dynamic viscosity
 ν = molecular diffusivity
 α = thermal diffusivity

- significance of Pr

= thickness of momentum boundary layer to thermal boundary layer

= ability of fluids to transport momentum + heat via molecular collisions in boundary layers

$Pr \sim 1$

case for many gases;
 momentum layer thickness
 \sim thermal layer

$Pr < 1$

case for high conductivity
 fluids, e.g. liquid metals

$Pr > 1$

low conductivity
 fluids, e.g. water

Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

- for high speed compressible flows: gas kinetic energy important

$$Ec = \frac{u^2}{c_p (T_w - T_\infty)} \quad \text{Eckert number}$$

u = flow speed
 T_w = wall temperature
 T_∞ = free stream temperature

- significance of Ec

= ratio of kinetic to thermal energy of flow
 - relevant for hypersonics

- Nusselt number**: ratio of convective to conductive heat transfer rates $Nu \equiv \frac{hL_c}{k}$

- convective flows dominant in most cases $Nu \gg 1$
- if Nu known, will know h

\Rightarrow many heat transfer correlations describe Nu in terms of Re and Pr

Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

- Stanton number: same purpose as Nu

$$St = \frac{h}{\rho u c_p} = \frac{Nu}{Re \times Pr} \quad \text{can be considered a dimensionless } h \text{ value}$$

Correlations for LREs

- semi-empirical correlations are available for LRE-type geometries and conditions

e.g. hot gas side

Bartz correlation (1965)

$$Nu_D \propto Re^{0.8} Pr^{0.4}$$

D = diameter of thrust chamber assembly at given axial location

e.g. coolant side

$$Nu_{D_H} \propto Re^{0.8} Pr^n$$

correlations used for fully-developed turbulent flow in a channel

$$n = 0.33-0.37$$

D_H = hydraulic channel diameter, generally $4A/P$

$D_H = 2HW/(H + W)$ for rectangular channel

flat plate, laminar (subsonic) flow

$$Nu = 0.332 Re^{1/2} Pr^{1/3}$$

area / perimeter

Heat transfer

Correlations for LREs

- most common in rocket cooling calculations: **Seider-Tate correlation**

$$\text{Nu} = a \text{Re}^m \text{Pr}^n \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu_w} \right)^b$$

constants vary between liquids
 μ_w = viscosity at wall

Fluid	a	m	n
Methane	0.0023	0.8	0.4
Propane	0.005	0.95	0.4
Kerosene	0.023	0.8	0.4
Liquid hydrogen	0.062	0.8	0.3

- modified form used in rocket cooling jacket calculations: **Dittus-Boelter correlation**

$$\text{Nu} = 0.023 \text{Re}^{0.8} \text{Pr}^{0.4} \left(\frac{T_{wc}}{T_{cl}} \right)^{-0.3}$$

reflects high temperature differences between hot wall and fluid

- above forms do not account for wall curvature (nozzle shape); to do so, use **Ambrok's equation**:

$$\text{St} = \frac{h_g}{\rho_\infty u_\infty c_{p_\infty}} = 0.0287 \text{Pr}^{-0.4} \frac{R^{0.25} (T_\infty - T_w) \mu^{0.2}}{\left[\int_0^x R^{1.25} (T_\infty - T_w) \rho_\infty u_\infty dx \right]^{0.2}}$$

where $\text{Pr} = \frac{\mu_\infty c_{p_\infty}}{k_\infty}$

Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

- coolant side: typically fully-developed flow

$$h_{cl}(x) = C \frac{k_{cl}}{D} \left(\overbrace{\frac{\rho_{cl} u_{cl} D}{\mu_{cl}}}^{Re} \right)^{0.8} \left(\overbrace{\frac{\mu_{cl} c_{p,cl}}{k_{cl}}}_{Pr} \right)^n \quad \begin{cases} C = 0.018, n = 0.37 \\ C = 0.023, n = 0.33 \end{cases}$$

- evaluate fluid properties (k, μ, c_p) at bulk and average liquid temperature at axial location x

for high $h_L \Rightarrow$ high Reynolds number, high k_L and c_{pL}

Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients

- hot side: not typically fully-developed flow: area changing, flow acceleration
 - changes boundary layer thickness
 - from Bartz, Adv. Heat Trans. (1965): [Bartz equation](#)

$$h_g(z) = 0.026 k_g^{0.6} \left(\frac{c_{p_g}}{\mu_g} \right)^{0.4} \left[\frac{\dot{m}^{0.8}}{D^{1.8}} \right] \left(\frac{D_t}{R_c} \right)^{0.1} \sigma$$

R_c = throat radius of curvature

$$h_g \propto \dot{m}_g / D^{1.8}$$

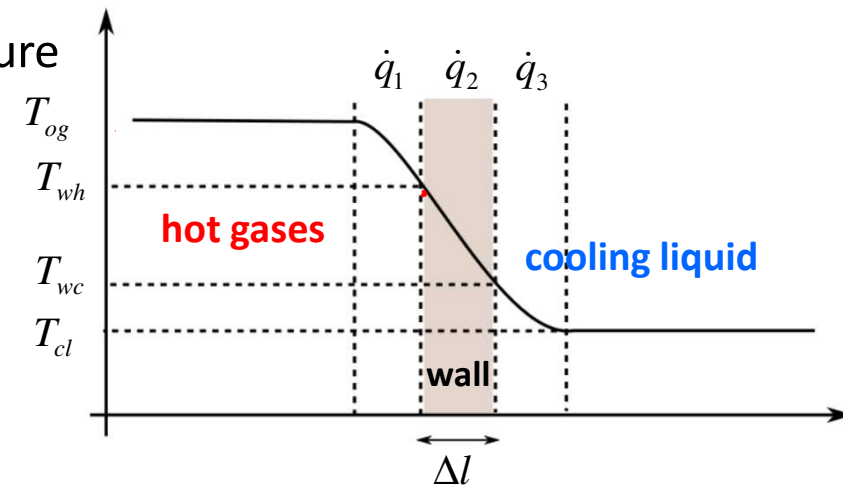
high Q at throat

- evaluate fluid properties at free-stream stagnation temperature

$$\sigma = \left[\frac{1}{2} \frac{T_{wh}}{T_{og}} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \right]^{0.2n-0.8} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M^2 \right)^{-0.2n}$$

$n \sim 0.8$ for diatomics

n = temperature dependence of μ

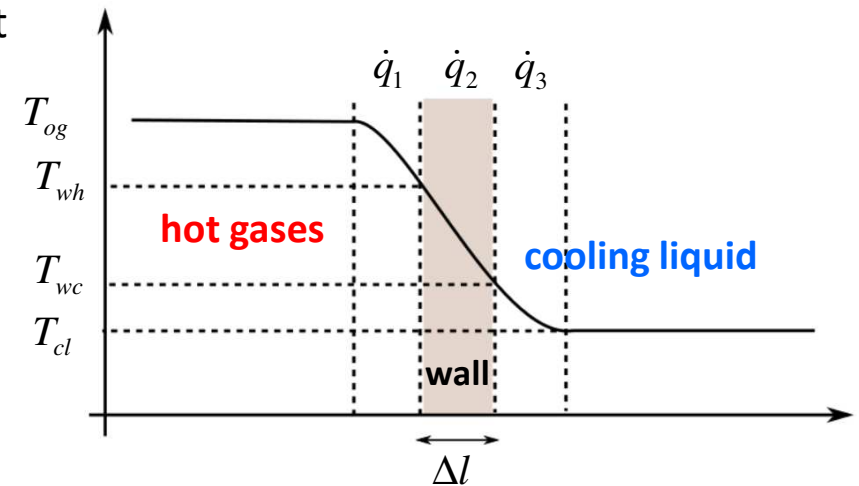


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Convective heat transfer coefficients: compressible effects, origin of σ

- for high M ($> 0.7 - 0.8$)
 - increase in static temperature of gas in boundary layer as gas slows
 - heat conduction through gas driven by temperature gradient

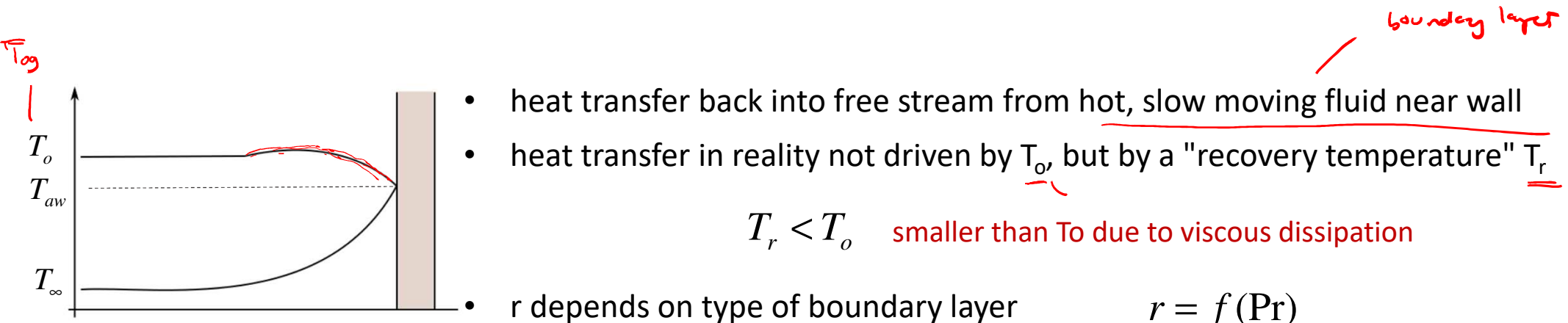
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Heat transfer

Convective heat transfer coefficients: compressible effects

- we saw before that the adiabatic wall temperature differs from the free stream stagnation temperature



Flow type	Recovery factor r variation
Laminar Couette	Pr
Laminar free boundary layer	$\sqrt{\text{Pr}}$
Turbulent free boundary layer	$\text{Pr}^{1/3}$

$$T_r = T_\infty \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} r M_\infty^2 \right)$$

T_o / T_∞

Heat transfer

Axial heat transfer solution

- Goal: determine how thermal conditions vary along x , axis of thrust chamber assembly

approach - combine previous results with:

- gas energy equation (1D) $\dot{m}_g c_{p,g} dT_{og}(x) = \dot{q}(x) \pi D_{cc}(x) dx$

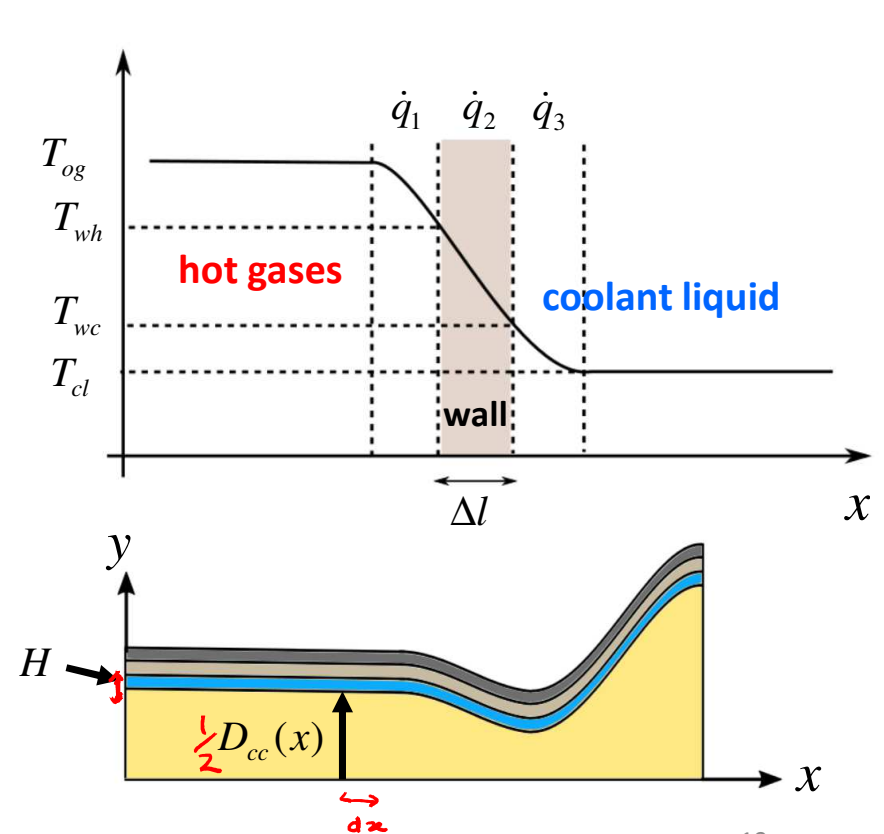
- coolant energy equation (1D) $\dot{m}_{cl} c_{p,cl} dT_{cl}(x) = \dot{q}(x) H dx$

- boundary conditions $T_{cl}(x_{max}); T_{og}(x_{min})$

- other constraint (e.g. from energy equations)

$$\dot{m}_g \int_{T_{og}(x_{max})}^{T_{og}(x_{min})} c_{p,g} dT_{og} = \dot{m}_{cl} \int_{T_{cl}(x_{max})}^{T_{cl}(x_{min})} c_{p,cl} dT_{cl}$$

- numerical solution; finite differencing



Heat transfer

Other limitations of these treatments

- although these expressions for the correlations and heat coefficients are commonly used, they are not precise: large error bars expected
 - mixing processes in fuel film neglected
 - chemical reactions in boundary layer neglected
 - predictions needed: Bartz, Ambrok - predict T_w and iterate from there
 - Ambrok's equation inaccurate for strong flow acceleration
- more complex solution strategies
 - **Two-Dimensional Kinetics (TDK) code**: NASA, DoD
 boundary layer equations solved for real wall shape
 - **Solid Rocket Performance Prediction (SPP) code**