# FANNO FLOW – COMPRESSIBLE DUCT FLOW WITH FRICTION

## In this lesson, we will:

- Introduce Fanno flow: flow in a duct with *friction* but no heat transfer
- Discuss Fanno flow qualitatively and quantitatively
- Do an example problem

**Disclaimer**: This is an *abbreviated* summary of Fanno flow; a more rigorous analysis is presented in my compressible flow course (ME 420 at Penn State University)

#### **Fanno Flow Introduction, Approximations, and Assumptions**

- Steady flow in a pipe or duct
- One-D flow (V approximately constant at any cross-section of the duct, i.e., at any x location; so, V = V(x) only)
  Ideal and

**Fanno flow** 

· LONG DUCTS

· FRICTION IS IMPORTANT

· NEGLECT HEAT TRANSFER

- Ideal gas
- Constant gas properties (*k*, *c*<sub>*P*</sub>, *R*, etc.)
- Constant area (long, straight section of pipe or duct)
- Fully developed (ignore entrance effects)
- Negligible heat transfer to or from the gas

## **Comparison with Rayleigh Flow**

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- · Short ducts
- · NEGLECT FRICTION
- · HEAT TRANSFER IS IMPORTANT

## **Control Volume Analysis and the Fanno Curve**





Linear momentum equation in x-direction:  

$$\sum F_x = \sum F_{x, pressure} + \sum F_{x, pressure} + \sum F_{x, viscous} + \sum F_{rother} = \sum_{out} \beta m V - \sum_{in} \beta m V$$
None in x  

$$P_i A - P_2 A - F_{frichin} = (i) P_2 V_2 A V_2 - (i) P_i V_i A V_i$$

$$\therefore A \quad \dot{s} \quad \text{Tearrange}$$

$$P_i + P_i V_i^2 = P_2 + P_2 V_2^2 + \frac{F_{frichin}}{A}$$
(3)  

$$\cdot \text{Other eqs. in our traillex}$$

$$\cdot T - \delta_s \quad \text{eqs. in our traillex}$$

$$P_i = P_2$$

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$$\int_{T}^{T} = 1 + \frac{F_2}{2} M_a^2$$



Plug the above equation into our momentum equation (3) and do a lot of algebra,

$$\int_{Ma_{1}} \frac{f}{D_{h}}(x_{2} - x_{1}) = \left[ -\frac{1}{kMa^{2}} - \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln \left( \frac{Ma^{2}}{1 - \frac{k-1}{2}Ma^{2}} \right) \right]_{Ma_{1}}^{Ma_{2}}$$

Finally, consider the **choked case**, where  $Ma_2 = 1$  and set  $x_2 - x_1 = L_1^*$  since the flow is choked at the exit. After some more algebra, the above equation becomes

$$\frac{\int L_{1}^{*}}{D_{h}} = \frac{1 - Ma_{1}^{2}}{kMa_{1}^{2}} + \frac{k + 1}{2k} ln \left(\frac{(k + 1)Ma_{1}^{2}}{2 + (k - 1)Ma_{1}^{2}}\right) \qquad (4)$$



Final "workhorse" Fanno flow equations (for any Mach number):

 $\frac{fL}{D_h} = \frac{fL_1^*}{D_h} - \frac{fL_2^*}{D_h} \text{ where } \frac{fL^*}{D_h} = \frac{1 - Ma^2}{kMa^2} + \frac{k + 1}{2k} \ln\left(\frac{(k+1)Ma^2}{2 + (k-1)Ma^2}\right)$ 

# **Step-by-Step Procedure to Solve Fanno Flow Problems**

1. For known conditions at 1, duct roughness  $\varepsilon$ , hydraulic diameter  $D_h$ , and pipe length L, calculate friction factor f from the Churchill equation



#### Summary of inlet conditions

<u>Known values</u>:  $V_1 = 85.0 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $T_1 = 450 \text{ K}$ ,  $P_1 = 220 \text{ kPa}$ ,  $D_h = D = 0.0500 \text{ m}$ ,  $\varepsilon = 8.00 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$ , and L = 27.0 m<u>Calculated</u>: Ma<sub>1</sub> = 0.200,  $\mu_1 = 2.499 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg/(m s)}$  from Sutherland equation,  $\rho_1 = 1.7035 \text{ kg/m}^3$  from ideal gas law

Step 1: Calculate Re and f from Churchill equation 
$$\rightarrow \text{Re} = 289,660 \text{ and } f = 0.02296$$
  
Step 2: Calculate  $\frac{fL_1}{D_k}$  from  $\frac{fL_1}{D_k} = \frac{1-(Ma)^2}{kMa_1^2} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln\left(\frac{(k+1)Ma_1^2}{2+(k-1)Ma_1^2}\right)$   
0.200  $\rightarrow fL_1^{L_1} = (H,550)$   
Step 3: Calculate  $\frac{fL_2}{D_k}$  from  $\frac{fL}{D_k} = \frac{fL_1}{D_k} - \frac{fL_2}{D_k} \rightarrow \frac{fL_2}{D_k} = \frac{fL_1}{D_k} - \frac{fL}{D_k}$   
 $fL_1^{L_1} = (H,550)$   
Step 4: Calculate Ma<sub>2</sub> from  $\frac{fL_2}{D_k} = \frac{1-Ma_2^2}{D_k} + \frac{k+1}{2k} \ln\left(\frac{(k+1)Ma_2^2}{2+(k-1)Ma_2^2}\right)$   
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Step 5: Calculate  $T_2$  from  $T_2 = \left(1 + \frac{k-1}{2}Ma_2^2\right)^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{k-1}{2}Ma_2^2\right)T_1$   
 $M_{b_1} = 0.49902$   
Step 6: Calculate other properties at location 2  
e.g.,  $C_2 = \int kRT_2 = \int ((148) (287.6 \frac{m^2}{5^4k}) (438.91.k) = 419.94 \frac{m}{5}$   
 $V_2 = C_2 M_{b_2} = (419.94 \frac{m}{5}) (6.49902) = 171.76 \frac{M}{5}$   
 $f_2 = \frac{f_1 V_1}{V_2}$  i.  $f_2 = f_2 RT_2$  f  $f_2 = 106.19 \text{ kPa}$   
 $M_{b_1} = 0.499$  f  $M_{b_2} = 0.49902$   
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#### Additional verification of our assumptions Let's see if Darcy friction factor remains nearly constant by looking at the Moody chart: Moody Chart: [Figure from Cengel and Cimbala, Fluid Mechanics: Fundamentals and Applications, Ed. 4.] 0.1 0.09 Laminar Transitional Turbulent flow flow flow 0.08 Fully rough turbulent flow (f levels off) 0.05 0.07 0.04 0.06 0.03 0.05 0.02 0.015 0.04 Darcy friction factor, J 0.01 Relative roughness, *ε/D* 0.008 0.006 0.03 2 0.004 0.025 0.002 6' 0.001 0.02 $0.001 \\ 0.0008$ Roughness, e 0.0006 Material ft mm 0.0004 0.015 Glass, plastic 0 0 0.003-0.03 0.9-9 Concrete 0.0002 0.0016 Wood stave 0.5 Smooth pipes Rubber, smoothed 0.000033 0.01 $\varepsilon/D = 0$ 0.0001 Copper or brass tubing 0.000005 0.0015 Cast iron 0.00085 0.26 0.00005 Galvanized iron 0.0005 0.15 0.01 e/D = 0.000005Wrought iron 0.00015 0.046 Stainless steel 0.000007 0.002 0.009 e/D = 0.000001Commercial steel 0.00015 0.045 0.00001 0.008 1111 1 1 1 1 LILLI 103 $2(10^3)$ 3 4 5 6 8 $10^4$ $2(10^4)$ 3 4 5 6 8 $10^5$ $2(10^5)$ 4 5 6 8 $10^6$ $2(10^6)$ 3 4 5 6 8 $10^7$ $2(10^7)$ 3 4 5 6 8 $10^8$ Reynolds number, Re FIGURE A-12 The Moody chart for the friction factor for fully developed flow in circular pipes for use in the head loss relation $h_L = f \frac{L}{D} \frac{V^2}{2g}$ . Friction factors in the turbulent flow are evaluated from the Colebrook equation $\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -2 \log_{10} \left( \frac{\epsilon/D}{3.7} + \frac{2.51}{\text{Re }\sqrt{f}} \right)$ @ $Re_1 = 289,600$ $\stackrel{!}{:} \stackrel{E}{D_1} \stackrel{0.0016}{=} \Rightarrow f_1 = 0.02296$ @ $Re_2 = 300,706$ $\stackrel{!}{:} \Rightarrow f_2 = 0.002293$ VERY GOOD **One zero** APPROXIMATION ! should not be here