ME 420

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Lecture 08

Today, we will:

- Discuss the physical meaning and significance of choked flow and the speed of sound
- Introduce Mach waves
- Do more example problems converging nozzle and choked vs. unchoked flow
- Do Candy Questions for Candy Friday

Choked Flow and the Speed of Sound

Let's do a "thought experiment" in which there is a small pressure disturbance (noise) at a point in a uniform flow of air











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