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DESIGN STUDY OF A LIQUID AND A SOLID ROCKET PROPELLANT SYSTEM

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PREFACE

There are few places in the literature wherein the rocket propulsion system and vehicle performance have been treated together. In addition, a design study of two propulsion systems - one based on a liquid propellant and the other upon a solid propellant is quite interesting for comparison purposes. The two design studies presented here were carried out by the authors as part of the requirements for the Rocket Propulsion course in the Department of Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering. In the interest of analytical facility, simplified assumptions were made for both preliminary designs. These assumptions, however, would not seriously affect the results.

This report was reproduced in the interest of supplying the Industry Program members with a concise design study of two systems based on the same design objectives and employing the same techniques of construction. It also clears up some of the arguments concerning the relative advantages and disadvantages of solid and liquid rocket motor systems.

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LIQUID ROCKET DESIGN

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NOMENCLATURE

sp gr - specific gravity

psi - pounds per square inch

Ae - exit area of rocket nozzle

q - dynamic pressure

P_C - rocket chamber pressure

F - thrust (also T is used for thrust)

γ rocket nozzle correction factor to account for divergence of flow at rocket exit

Ve - gas velocity at exit of rocket nozzle

m - mass flow

T_c - exit temperature of rocket gas

Pe - exit pressure of rocket gas

 A_{TT} - rocket nozzle throat area

 P_2/P_1 - pressure ratio across oblique shock in exit of rocket nozzle

 Θ - cone angle of rocket nozzle at exit

 M_1 - Mach number before oblique shock in exit of rocket nozzle

 $\Gamma \qquad \qquad - \qquad \frac{1}{\gamma^{\frac{1}{2}}} \quad \left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1}\right) \frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}$

t - time

T - thrust

D - drag on rocket

M - mass of rocket at time, t (also M - Mach number)

h - altitude of the rocket

g - gravitational constant

w - weight flow

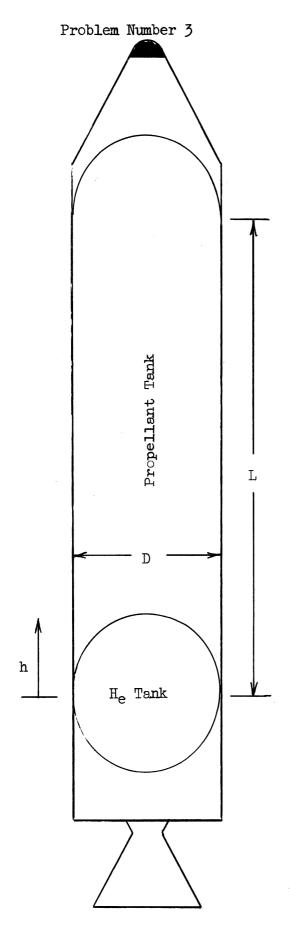
V - velocity of the rocket

L - length

Co - drag coefficient

R_e - Reynold's number

S - area



Given the following information, design a rocket.

Mass ratio = 20/1 (includes payload)

Payload wt. = 10% dry wt. of bird.

Fineness ratio = $\frac{L}{D}$ = $\frac{15}{1}$

Make bird out of Fiberglas.

Sp.gr. Fiberglas = 1.80

Working stress = σ = 80000 psi

Use a monopropellant sp.gr. = 1.00

Motor $\frac{400 \text{ lbs. thrust}}{\text{lb. engine wt.}}$

Use a gas pressurization system. Ae in a spherical container. $P_{\text{He}} = 3500$ psia initially.

Use a heater charge in Helium tank so that Helium always expands isothermally.

25% pressure drop across plumbing.

25% pressure drop across injector face.

Lift off wt. = 25,000 lbs.

Also make plots of:

- a) head suppression vs. time.
- b) chamber pressure vs. time.
- c) drag vs. time.
- d) acceleration vs. time.
- e) altitude vs. time.
- f) Mach number vs. time (only until q drops off appreciably)
- g) 9 vs. time $(q = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2)$

Additional information

Use an engine with same geometry as in Problem 2^* except chop off nozzle so that flow never separates.

When designing tankage only consider hoop tension.

Assume that a regulator valve is in the Helium line that controls the pressure on top of the propellant at a constant value until the helium runs out.

Assume a head suppression valve is installed in the propellant lines so as to regulate the pressure in the chamber at a constant 150 psia until the helium runs out.

Size rocket

Mass ratio = 20/1

Wt. fuel at lift off = (0.95)(25000)

$$= 23750$$
 lbs.

Tank volume =
$$\frac{\text{Wt. fuel}}{\text{density fuel}}$$

= $\frac{23750}{62.4}$
= 381 ft^3

Calculate tank dimensions

$$V = \frac{L\pi D^{2}}{4} \qquad \frac{L}{D} = 15 \qquad L = 15D$$

$$V = \frac{15D^{3}\pi}{4}$$

$$D^{3} = \frac{(381)(4)}{15\pi} = 32.4$$

$$D = 3.18 \text{ ft.}$$

$$L = 47.7 \text{ ft.}$$

Use L/D = 3 for nose cone

$$L_{\text{Total}} = 47.7 + (3)(3.18)$$

= 57.24 ft.

* Refers to design of a rocket motor chamber and nozzle previously carried out

Calculate Engine Characteristics

Characteristics for P_c = const. = 150 psia

Calculate Fm

$$F_{\infty} = \lambda \stackrel{\circ}{m} V_{e} + P_{e} A_{e}$$

from Problem 2

$$F_{\infty} = 577 \text{ M}_{e}T_{e}^{1/2} + P_{e}A_{e}$$
 for $\frac{A_{e}}{A_{T}} = 3.011$; $\frac{P_{e}}{P_{c}} = 0.06526$; $\frac{T_{e}}{T_{c}} = 0.6345$

 $M_e = 2.40$ (from gas tables)

so

$$F_{\infty} = (577)(2.40)(3172)^{1/2} + (144)(9.789)(2.68)(3.011)$$
$$= 78000 + 11350$$
$$= 89350 \text{ lb.}$$

The thrust at any altitude is given by

$$F = F_{\infty} - A_{e}P_{a}$$

Verify that nozzle does not separate

$$\frac{P_2}{P_1} = 1 + \frac{\gamma M_1^2 \Theta}{(M_1^2 - 1)^{1/2}} = 1 + \frac{(1.2)(2.4)^2(0.1745)}{[(2.4)^2 - 1]^{1/2}}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1.205}{(4.76)^{1/2}} = 1 + 0.552$$

$$P_2 = (150)(0.06526)(1.552) = 15.19 \text{ psia.}$$

This is above atmospheric pressure of 14.7 psia so separation does not occur.

Calculate thrust after 45.0 seconds

P from graph

$$F = 600 P_c$$

TABLE I

| Altitude ft | Atmospheric Pressure lb/ft ² | AePa lb | F lb |
|----------------|--|-------------|----------------|
| 0 | 2116 | 17060 | 72290 |
| 4000 | 1828 | 14730 | 74620 |
| 8000 | 1572 | 12680 | 76670 |
| 12000 | 1346 | 10830 | 7852 0 |
| 16000 | 1147 | 9240 | 80110 |
| 20000 | 972.5 | 7840 | 81510 |
| 24000 | 820.2 | 6610 | 82740 |
| 28000 | 687.8 | 5550 | 83800 |
| 32000 | 573.3 | 4670 | 84680 |
| 36000 | 474.7 | 3825 | 85525 |
| 40000 | 391.7 | 3156 | 86194 |
| 44000 | 323.2 | 2604 | 86746 |
| 48000 | 266.7 | 2148 | 872 0 2 |
| 55000 | 190.5 | 1535 | 87815 |
| 60000 | 149.8 | 1207 | 88143 |
| 65000 | 117.8 | 950 | 88400 |
| 70000 | 93.51 | 7 53 | 88597 |
| 75000 | 73.70 | 594 | 88756 |
| 80000 | 58.01 | 467 | 88883 |

Determine chamber pressure as a function of time

A head suppression valve is installed in the propellant lines to keep the pressure in the chamber constant at 150 psia. However due to the limitations on the amount of helium that can be carried the chamber pressure decreases during the last part of burning. At some time the head suppression term goes to zero and the chamber pressure is determined solely by the helium pressure, the hydraulic head, and the line plus injector impedance. After the critical time (the time at which the chamber pressure starts to fall) the chamber pressure can be determined by an equilibrium equation relating the line impedance, the helium pressure and the hydraulic head.

$$P_{He} + H - Z P_c = 0$$

The chamber pressure was constant up to 45 seconds. Therefore it is convenient to take our time origin at 45 seconds. Doing this we can rewrite the equation

$$\frac{P_{i}V_{i}}{V_{45} + \int_{0}^{t} \mathring{V}dt} + \frac{(h_{45} - \int_{0}^{t} \mathring{h}dt)\rho_{P} F}{W_{45} - \int_{0}^{t} \mathring{\omega}dt} = Z P_{c}(t)$$

Where

 P_i = initial helium pressure

 V_i = initial helium volume

 V_{45} = helium volume at 45 seconds

 $\overset{\circ}{V}$ = time rate of change of helium volume

 h_{45} = level of the propellant at 45 seconds

h = time rate of change of propellant level

 ρ_P = density of propellant

 W_{45} = weight of rocket at 45 seconds

 $\omega = \text{weight flow}$

F = thrust

 $P_{c}(t) = chamber pressure$

Z = ratio of tank pressure to chamber pressure, previously calculated as 16/9.

The chamber pressure and the chamber temperature are related through the equilibrium constant K_p . However since we do not know the chemical composition of the monopropellant we are forced to assume that the reaction products and therefore the chamber temperature are constant. As a consequence of this assumption we note that the mass flow is sensitive only to changes in chamber pressure.

$$\stackrel{\circ}{m} = \frac{\Gamma \ P_{\mathbf{c}} \ A_{\mathbf{t}}}{a_{\mathbf{c}}}$$

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$$m = \frac{m_i}{P_{c_i}} P_c$$

By using this relation we can solve for \mathring{V} , \mathring{h} , and $\mathring{\omega}$ as functions of P_{C} alone. At 45 seconds we are at about 100,000 ft. Therefore we can ignore drag, and also assume that we are exhausting into a vacuum. The last assumption allows us to solve for F as a function of P_{C} alone.

$$F = \lambda \stackrel{\circ}{\text{m}} \stackrel{\text{V}}{\text{e}} + P_{e} \stackrel{\text{A}}{\text{e}}$$

$$= \lambda \stackrel{\circ}{\frac{\text{m}_{\downarrow}5}{\text{Pc}_{\downarrow}5}} P_{c} V_{e} + \frac{P_{e}}{P_{c}} P_{c} A_{e}$$

$$= \left[\lambda \stackrel{\circ}{\frac{\text{m}_{\downarrow}5}{\text{Pc}_{\downarrow}5}} V_{e} + \frac{P_{e}}{P_{c}} A_{e}\right] P_{c}$$

$$\lambda = 0.9924$$

$$\stackrel{\circ}{\frac{\text{m}_{\downarrow}5}{\text{Pc}_{\downarrow}5}} = \frac{11.9}{150} = 0.07933$$

$$V_{e} = M_{e} \sqrt{\gamma} R \stackrel{\text{T}}{\frac{\text{T}}{\text{c}}} T_{c} = 6600 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$F = 599.9 P_{c}$$

$$\mathring{\omega} = \text{g m} = (32.2)(0.07933) P_{c} = 2.554 P_{c}$$

$$\mathring{v} = \frac{\mathring{\omega}}{\rho_{p}} = \frac{2.554 P_{c}}{62.4} = 0.04094 P_{c}$$

$$\mathring{h} = \frac{\mathring{v}}{\text{inside tank area}} = \frac{0.04094 P_{c}}{7.94} = 0.005155 P_{c}$$

Substituting these values into the original equation we obtain

$$\frac{(3500)(16.83)}{293.4 + 0.04094 \int_{0}^{t} P_{c}(t)dt} + \frac{(13.15 - 0.005155 \int_{0}^{t} P_{c}(t)dt)(62.4)(599.9 P_{c}(t))}{(7765 - 2.554 \int_{0}^{t} P_{c}(t)dt)(144)}$$

$$= P_{c}(t)$$

The initial values at t=0 (45 seconds) have been included in the above equation. This equation gives $P_{\rm c}$ as a function of time.

$$P_{c} = P_{c}(t)$$

We note that this equation is a non-linear integral equation.

An analytical solution is not possible. However if we make certain assumptions we can obtain an approximate solution to this equation.

First from the first mean value theorem of integral calculus we note

$$\int_{0}^{t} P_{c}(t)dt = P_{c}(\xi)t$$

where $P_c(\xi)$ is some average value in the interval. Now unless we know ξ we cannot locate $P(\xi)$ in the interval. However for calculation purposes we will assume that ξ lies in the middle of the interval. This is true if the interval 0 to t is small. For our purposes we will use 2.5 second intervals.

The equation to be solved is now

$$\frac{P_{i}V_{i}}{V_{o} + 0.04094 P_{c}(\xi)t} + \frac{[h_{o} - (0.005155) P_{c}(\xi)t] 259.96 P_{c}(\xi)]}{W_{o} - 2.554 P_{c}(\xi)t} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}(\xi)$$

where V_0 , h_0 , and W_0 are the values of the helium volume, the propellant level and the rocket weight at the end of the previous interval. The rest of the terms are as noted above.

The above equation is cubic in $P_{\mathbf{c}}(\xi)$ and can be solved most easily by iteration. The final calculation for each interval is presented below.

$$\frac{58905}{293.4 + 0.10235 P_c} + \frac{(13.15 - 0.1289 P_c)(260)(P_c)}{7765 - 6.385 P_c} = \frac{16}{9} P_c$$

$$45 \ 0 \le t \le 47.5$$
 try $P_c = 142$

$$\frac{58905}{293.4 + 14.53} + \frac{[(13.15) - (1.830)](260)(142)}{7765 - 906} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$\frac{58905}{307.93} + \frac{(11.32)(260)(142)}{6859} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (191.2 + 60.9) = \frac{9}{16} (252.1) = 141.9$$
 Use $P_c = 142.0$

$$47.5 \le t \le 50.0 \text{ try } P_c = 134.5$$

$$\frac{58905}{307.93 + 13.78} + \frac{(11.32 - 1.732)(260)(134.5)}{6859 - 858} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$\frac{16}{9} P_{c} = \frac{58905}{321.71} + \frac{(9.588)(260)(134.5)}{6001}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (183.0 + 55.9) = \frac{9}{16} (238.9) = 134.5$$
 Use $P_c = 134.5$

$$50.0 \le t \le 52.5$$
 try $P_c = 127.5$

$$\frac{58905}{321.71 + 13.07} + \frac{(9.588 - 1.642)(260)(127.5)}{6001 - 814} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$\frac{16}{9} P_{c} = \frac{58905}{334.78} + \frac{(7.946)(260)(127.5)}{5187}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (175.9 + 50.7) = \frac{9}{16} (226.6)$$

= 127.5 Use
$$P_c = 127.5$$

$$try P_{c} = 121.0$$

$$\frac{58905}{334.78 + 12.39} + \frac{(7.946 - 1.560)(260)(121)}{5187 - 773} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$\frac{58905}{347.17} + \frac{(6.386)(260)(121)}{44} = \frac{16}{9} P_{c}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (169.8 + 45.4) = \frac{9}{16} (215.2)$$

= 121.0 Use
$$P_c$$
 = 121.0 Psia

$$\frac{16}{9} P_{c} = \frac{58905}{347.17 + 11.75} + \frac{(6.386 - 1.479)(260)(114.8)}{4414 - 732}$$

$$= \frac{58905}{358.92} + \frac{(4.907)(260)(114.8)}{3682}$$

$$P_{c} = \frac{9}{16} (164.0 + 39.8) = \frac{9}{16} (203.8)$$

$$P_c = 114.8$$
 Use $P_c = 114.8$

57.5 ≤ t ≤ 60.0

$$try P_c = 108.0$$

$$\frac{16}{9} P_{c} = \frac{58905}{358.92 + 11.06} + \frac{(4.907 - 1.391)(260)(108)}{3682 - 689}$$

$$= \frac{58905}{369.98} + \frac{(3.516)(260)(108)}{2993}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (159.1 + 33.0) = \frac{9}{16} (1924)$$

= 108.0 Use
$$P_c = 108.0$$

$$60.0 \le t \le 62.5$$

try
$$P_c = 101.0$$

$$\frac{16}{9} \text{ Pc} = \frac{58905}{369.99 + 10.35} + \frac{(3.516 - 1.291)(260)(101)}{2993 - 645}$$
$$= \frac{58905}{380.33} + \frac{(2.225)(260)(101)}{2348}$$

$$P_c = \frac{9}{16} (154.8 + 24.9) = \frac{9}{16} (179.7)$$

= 101.0 Use $P_c = 101.0$

try 93.0 psi

$$\frac{16}{9} P_{c} = \frac{58905}{380.33 + 9.53} + \frac{(2.225 - 1.198)(260)(93)}{2348 - 593}$$

$$= \frac{58905}{389.86} + \frac{(1.027)(260)(93)}{1755}$$

$$P_{c} = \frac{9}{16} (151.0 + 14.1) = \frac{9}{16} (165.1)$$

$$= 93.0 \text{ psia Use } 93$$

To determine burn out time we note that the helium volume at burn out is given by

$$V_{He}$$
 = Vol propellant tank + initial vol He.
= 397.83 ft³

From this we can determine the chamber pressure at burn out.

$$P_{e_{BO}} = \frac{(3500)(16.83)}{397.83}$$

= 83.287 x 83.3 psia

Burnout will occur before 67.5 seconds. We can find the burnout time if the average chamber pressure during the last period is known. Estimate this from the average pressure for the last two times

$$P_{c65} = 93.0 - \frac{(101 - 93)}{2}$$

= 89.0

The average pressure over the interval 65 $\rightarrow t_{\rm BO}$ is

$$P_{\text{cav}} = \frac{83.3 + 89.0}{2}$$
= 86.15 psia

Now since the helium volume must be 397.83 ft³ at burnout

$$V_{He65} + (0.04094) P_c(\xi) t_b^i = 397.83$$

$$389.86 + (0.04094)(86.15) t_b^i = 397.83$$

$$t_b^i = \frac{7.97}{(86.15)(0.04094)}$$

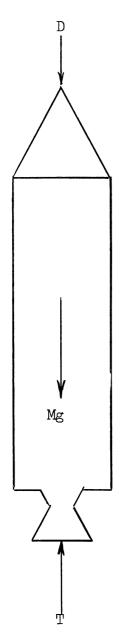
$$= 2.26$$

$$t_{BO} = 65.0 + 2.26$$

= 67.26 seconds after lift off.

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| Time Sec | Chamber Pressure psia | Weight lb | w lb/sec (over interval) |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 45.0 | 150.0 | 7765 | |
| 46.25 | 142.0 | | 362.2 |
| 47.50 | | 6859 | |
| 48.75 | 13 ⁴ •5 | | 343.2 |
| 50.00 | | 6001 | |
| 51.25 | 127.5 | | 325.6 |
| 52.50 | | 5187 | |
| 53.75 | 121.0 | | 309.4 |
| 55.00 | | 4414 | |
| 56.25 | 114.8 | | 293.0 |
| 57.50 | | 3682 | |
| 58.75 | 108.0 | | 275.6 |
| 60.00 | | 2993 | |
| 61.25 | 101.0 | | 258.0 |
| 62.50 | | 2348 | |
| 63.75 | 93.0 | | 237.2 |
| 65.00 | 89.0 | 1755 | 223.8 |
| 67.26 | 83.3 | 1250 | |



Performance Calculations

Using Newtons second law

$$M \frac{dV}{dt} = T - D - Mg$$

Now if we consider thrust and drag constant over the time interval and express M as M(t) we obtain.

$$\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{T - D}{M_O - mt} - g$$
$$= \frac{g(T - D)}{W_O - \omega t} - g$$

$$\int_{V_{O}}^{V} dV = \int_{O}^{t} \frac{g(T-D)dt}{W_{O} - \mathring{\omega}t} - \int_{O}^{t} gdt$$

$$V = V_{O} + \frac{T - D}{\mathring{\omega}} \ln \frac{W_{O}}{W_{O} - \mathring{\omega}t} - gt$$

$$V = \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$\int_{O}^{h} dh = \int_{O}^{t} V_{O}dt + \frac{T-D}{\mathring{\omega}} \int_{O}^{t} \ln \frac{W_{O} dt}{W_{O} - \mathring{\omega}t} - \int_{O}^{t} gtdt$$

after consulting an integral table we find

$$h = h_0 + V_{ot} - \frac{gt^2}{2} + \frac{T-D}{m} \left[t - \frac{W_0 - \omega t}{\omega} \ln \frac{W_0}{W_0 - \omega t}\right]$$

Note that I have integrated from 0 to t. This is equivalent to considering only the time intervals with initial conditions applying from the end of the previous time interval.

$$0 < t < 5$$
 F - D = 72290 lb.

t = 5

$$V = \frac{72290}{11.9} (\ln 25000 - \ln 23085) - 161$$

$$= 6070 [10.12663 - 10.04693] - 161$$

$$= 6070 (0.07970) - 161$$

$$= 484 - 161$$

$$= \frac{323 \text{ ft/sec.}}{383}$$

$$h = 6070 [5 - \frac{(23085)(0.07970)}{383}] - (25)(16.1)$$

Since the [] involve the difference of numbers very close together, use log tables instead of a slide rule so as to improve accuracy.

log 23085 = 4.36335
log 0.07970 = 8.90146 - 10

$$\overline{13.26479} - \overline{10}$$

log 383 = 2.58320
 $\overline{10.68159} - \overline{10} = \log 4.8049$
h = 6070(5 - 4.8049) - 403
= 1183 - 403
= 780 ft
Re = $\frac{\rho VL}{\mu}$
L = 47.7 + (3.18)(3) = 47.7 + 9.54
= 57.24
Re = $\frac{(0.002310)(323)(57.24)}{3.699 \times 10^{-7}}$ (\$\rho\$ and \$\mu\$ from NACA TN 3182)
= 105.5 \times 106
M = $\frac{323}{1114} = 0.29$ (a at various altitudes from NACA TN 3182)

From graph

$$C_D = 0.18$$

$$D = C_{Dq} S \qquad (S \text{ based on frontal area})$$

$$q = \frac{\rho}{2} V^2 = \frac{(2.310 \times 10^{-3})(323)^2}{2}$$

$$= \frac{120.3}{2} \text{ lb/ft}^2$$

Since the estimation of C_{D} from the graph is not precise use S based on the inside area of tank.

S =
$$(1.59)^2 \pi = 7.94$$

D = $(0.18)(120.3)(7.94)$
= 172.1 lbs .

Thrust at 780 ft = 72700 lb

$$T - D = 72700 - 172 = 72528 lb$$

t = 10

$$V = 323 + \frac{72528}{11.9} [ln 23085 - ln 21170] - 161$$

$$V = 323 + 6100 (10.04693 - 9.96034) - 161$$

$$= 162 + 6100 (0.08659)$$

$$= 162 + 528$$

$$= 690 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$h = 780 + (323)(5) - 403 + 6100 [5 - \frac{(21170)}{383} (0.08659)]$$

$$4.32572$$
 $8.93747 - 10$
 $13.26319 - 10$
 2.58320
 $10.67999 - 10$
 $3.26319 - 10$
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h =
$$780 + 1212 + 6100 (0.2138)$$

= $1992 + 1302$
= 32.94 ft
Re = $\frac{(0.002158)(690)(57.24)}{3.669 \times 10^{-7}}$
= 232×10^{6}
M = $\frac{6.90}{1107} = 0.123$
CD = 0.17
q = $\frac{(0.002158)(690)^{2}}{2} = \frac{514 \text{ lb/ft}^{2}}{2}$
D = $(0.17)(514)(7.94)$
= $\frac{695 \text{ lbs}}{2}$
10 < t < 15
T - D = $74200 - 695 = 73505 \text{ lbs}$
5
V = $690 - 161 + \frac{73505}{11.9} [\text{lin } 21170 - \text{lin } 19255]$
= $529 + 6170 [9.96034 - 9.86552]$
= $529 + 6170 [0.09482]$
= $529 + 584$
= $\frac{1113 \text{ ft/sec}}{383 \times (0.09482)}$
 $\frac{4.28454}{3.97690 - 10}$
 $\frac{13.26144 - 10}{2.58320}$
 $\frac{10.67824 - 10}{10.67824 - 10} \rightarrow \frac{4.7671}{4.7671}$
h = $6341 + (6170)(0.2329)$
h = $6341 + 1437$
= 7778 ft

t = 15

$$Re = \frac{(0.001881)(1113)(57.24)}{3.561 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 336 \times 10^{6}$$

$$M = \frac{1113}{1100} = \frac{1.011}{2}$$

$$C_{D} = 0.295$$

$$q = \frac{(0.001881)(1113)^{2}}{2} = \frac{1164 \text{ lbs/ft}^{2}}{2}$$

$$D = (0.295)(1164)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{2726 \text{ lbs}}{2}$$

$$15 < t \le 20$$

$$T - D = 76600 - 2726 = 73874 \text{ lb}$$

$$t = 20$$

$$V = 1113 + \frac{73874}{11.9} [\ln 19255 - \ln 17340] - 161$$

$$= 952 + 6205 [9.86552 - 9.76077]$$

$$= 952 + 651$$

$$= \frac{1603 \text{ ft/sec}}{2}$$

$$h = 7778 + 5565 - 403 + 6205[5 - \frac{(17340)(0.10475)}{363}$$

$$= \frac{1.23905}{9.02015 - 10}$$

$$= \frac{13.25920}{2.58320}$$

$$= \frac{2.58320}{10.67600 - 10} \rightarrow 4.7424$$

$$h = 12940 + (6205)(0.2576)$$

$$= 12940 + 1597$$

$$= \frac{14537 \text{ ft}}{2}$$

$$Re = \frac{(1.520 \times 10^{-3})(1603)(57.24)}{3.441 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 405 \times 10^{6}$$

$$M = \frac{1603}{1060} = \frac{1.512}{1060}$$

$$CD = 0.275$$

$$q = \frac{(1.520 \times 10^{-3})(1603)^2}{2} = \frac{1953 \text{ lb/ft}^2}{2}$$

$$D = (0.275)(1953)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{4260 \text{ lb}}{20 \le t \le 25}$$

$$T - D = 79500 - 4260 = 75240 \text{ lb}$$

$$t = 25$$

$$V = 1603 - 161 + \frac{75240}{11.9} [\ln 17340 - \ln 15425]$$

$$V = 1442 + 6320 (9.76077 - 9.64374)$$

$$= 1442 + (6320)(0.11703) = 1442 + 740$$

$$= \frac{2182 \text{ ft/sec}}{2182 \text{ ft/sec}}$$

$$h = 14537 + (1603)(5) - 403 + 6320 [5 - \frac{(15425)(0.11703)}{383}]$$

$$\frac{4.18823}{9.06830 - 10}$$

$$\frac{13.25653 - 10}{2.258320}$$

$$\frac{2.58320}{10.67333 - 10} \rightarrow 4.7133$$

$$h = 22149 + (6320)(0.2867)$$

$$= 22149 + 1812$$

$$= \frac{23961 \text{ ft}}{3.234 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 426 \times 10^{6}$$

$$M = \frac{2182}{1021} = \frac{2.12}{2.12}$$

$$c_{D} = 0.245$$

$$q = \frac{(1.103 \times 10^{-3})(2182)^{2}}{2} = \frac{2620 \text{ lb/ft}^{2}}{2}$$

$$D = (0.245)(2620)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{5100 \text{ lb}}{25}$$

$$25 < t \le 30$$

$$T - D = 82700 - 5100 = 77600$$

$$t = 30$$

$$V = 2182 - 161 + \frac{77600}{11.9} [\ln 15425 - \ln 13510]$$

$$= 2021 + 6520 (9.64374 - 9.51118)$$

$$= 2021 + (6520)(0.13256)$$

$$= 2021 + 864$$

$$= \frac{2685 \text{ ft/sec}}{2021 + 864}$$

$$= \frac{2685 \text{ ft/sec}}{363}$$

$$h = 23961 + (2182)(5) - 403 + 6520 [5 - \frac{(13510)(0.13256)}{363}]$$

$$\frac{4.13066}{9.12241 - 10}$$

$$\frac{15.25320}{10.66987 - 10} \rightarrow 4.6760$$

$$h = 34468 + (6520)(0.324)$$

$$= 34468 + 2110$$

$$= 36578 \text{ ft}$$

$$Re = \frac{(6.92 \times 10^{-4})(2885)(57.24)}{2.96 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 366 \times 106$$

$$M = \frac{2885}{968} = \frac{2.98}{968}$$

$$C_{D} = 0.215$$

$$q = \frac{(6.92 \times 10^{-4})(2885)^{2}}{2.8850} = \frac{2880 \text{ lb/ft}^{2}}{2.8800 \text{ lb/ft}^{2}}$$

$$D = (0.215)(2880)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{4910 \text{ lb}}{30 < t \le 35}$$

$$T - D = 85600 - 4910 = 80690$$

$$t = 35$$

$$V = 2885 - 161 + \frac{80690}{11.9} [\text{fm } 13510 - \text{fm } 11595]$$

$$= 2724 + 6790 (9.51118 - 9.35832)$$

$$= 2724 + (6790)(0.15286)$$

$$= 2724 + 1038$$

$$= \frac{3762 \text{ ft/sec}}{1.9429 - 10}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3.2855 - 10}$$

$$= \frac{2.58320}{10.56535 - 10} \rightarrow 4.6276$$

$$h = 50600 + (6790)(0.3724)$$

$$= 50600 + 2524$$

$$= \frac{53124 \text{ ft}}{2.96 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 26.5 \times 10^{6}$$

$$M = \frac{3762}{968} = \frac{3.88}{2.88}$$

$$C_D = 0.19$$

$$q = \frac{(3.118 \times 10^{-14})(3762)^2}{2} = \frac{2205 \text{ lb/ft}^2}{2}$$

$$D = (0.19)(2205)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{3320 \text{ lb}}{255 < t \le 40}$$

$$T - D = 87700 - 3320 = 84360$$

$$t = 40$$

$$V = 3762 - 161 + \frac{84380}{11.9} [\ln 11595 - \ln 9680]$$

$$= 3601 + 7100 [9.35833 - 9.17782]$$

$$= 3601 + (7100)(0.18051)$$

$$= 3601 + 1281$$

$$= \frac{4882 \text{ ft/sec}}{4882 \text{ ft/sec}}$$

$$h = 53124 + (3762)(5) - 403 + 7100 [5 - \frac{(9680)(0.18051)}{383}]$$

$$\frac{3.98588}{9.25650 - 10}$$

$$\frac{13.24238 - 10}{2.58320}$$

$$\frac{10.65918 - 10}{10.65918 - 10} \rightarrow 4.5622$$

$$h = 71531 + (7100)(0.4378)$$

$$= 71531 + 3104$$

$$= \frac{74635 \text{ ft}}{2.96 \times 10^{-7}}$$

$$= 105 \times 106$$

$$M = \frac{4882}{971} = \frac{503}{2}$$

$$C_D = 0.17$$

$$q = \frac{(1.115 \times 10^{-14})(4882)^2}{2} = \frac{1328 \text{ lb/ft}^2}{2}$$

$$D = (0.17)(1328)(7.94)$$

$$= \frac{1790 \text{ lb}}{40 < t \le 45}$$

T - D = 88700 - 1790 = 86910 lb

$$\begin{array}{l} t = 45 \\ V = 4882 - 161 + \frac{86910}{11.9} \left[\ln 9680 - \ln 7765 \right] \\ = 4721 + 7300 \left(9.17781 - 8.95738 \right) \\ = 4721 + 1610 \\ = 6331 \ ft/ \ sec \\ h = 74635 + \left(4882 \right)(5) - 403 + 7300 \left[5 - \frac{\left(7765 \right) \left(0.22043 \right)}{383} \right] \\ \frac{3.890141}{9.343271 - 10} \\ \frac{2.583199}{10.650213 - 10} \rightarrow 4.4690 \\ h = 98642 + \left(7300 \right) \left(0.5310 \right) \\ = 98642 + 3880 \\ = \frac{102,522 \ ft}{2.96 \times 10^{-5}} \left(6331 \right) \left(57.24 \right) \\ \frac{2.96 \times 10^{-7}}{2} \\ = 36.2 \times 10^6 \\ M = \frac{6331}{971} = \frac{6.52}{2} \\ C_D = 0.18 \\ q = \frac{\left(2.96 \times 10^{-5} \right) \left(6331 \right)^2}{2} = \frac{595 \ 1b/ft^2}{2} \\ D = \left(0.18 \right) \left(595 \right) \left(7.94 \right) \\ \end{array}$$

An expression for altitude as a function of time can be obtained analytically if an approximate expression is used for chamber pressure as a function of time. However, the altitude integral becomes rather messy, so it was decided to continue the numerical integration using 2.5 second intervals and the average mass flow over each interval.

= 848 1b

$$V = 7184 - 80 + 7565 \ln \frac{6859}{6001}$$

$$= 7104 + 1013$$

$$= 8117 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$h = 119399 + (7184)(2.5) - 100 + 7565 [2.5 - \frac{6001}{343.2} \ln \frac{6859}{6001}]$$

$$= 137259 + (7565)(2.500 - 2.342)$$

$$= 137259 + (7565)(0.158) = 137259 + 1194$$

$$t = 55.0$$

$$V = 9141 - 80 + 7565 \ln \frac{5187}{4414}$$

$$= 10282 ft/sec$$

h = 159977 - 100 + (9141)(2.5) + 7565 [2.5 -
$$\frac{4414}{309.4} \ln \frac{5187}{4414}$$
]

$$= 182729 + (7565)(2.500 - 2.304)$$

$$= 182729 + (7565)(0.196)$$

$$t = 57.5$$

$$V = 10282 - 80 + 7565 \ln \frac{4414}{3682}$$

$$= 10202 + 1375$$

=
$$11577 \text{ ft/sec}$$

h = 184212 + (2.5)(10282) - 100 + 7565 [2.5 -
$$\frac{3682}{293}$$
 ln $\frac{4414}{3682}$]

$$= 209817 + (7565)(0.218)$$

$$= 211467 ft$$

$$t = 60.0$$

$$V = 11577 + 7565 \ln \frac{3682}{2993} - 80$$

$$h = 211467 - 100 + (11577)(2.5) + 7565 [2.500 - \frac{2993}{275.6} \ln \frac{3682}{2993}]$$

$$= 240309 + (7565)(2.500 - 2250)$$

$$= 240309 + (7656)(0.250)$$

$$t = 62.5$$

$$V = 13067 - 80 + [\ln \frac{2993}{2348}] 7565$$

$$= 12987 + (7565)(2432)$$

$$= \frac{14829 \text{ ft/sec}}{14829 - 100 + (13067)(2.5) + 7565} [2.5 - \frac{2348}{258} \ln \frac{2993}{2348}]$$

$$= 274766 + 7565 (2.500 - 2.216)$$

$$= 274766 + (7565)(0.284)$$

$$= 274766 + 2150$$

$$= 276916 \text{ ft}$$

$$t = 65.0$$

$$V = 14829 - 80 + 7565 \ln \frac{2348}{1755}$$

$$= 14749 + 2204$$

$$= \frac{16953 \text{ ft/sec}}{16953 \text{ ft/sec}}$$

$$h = 276916 - 100 + (2.5)(14829) + 7565 [2.5 - \frac{1755}{237.2} \ln \frac{2348}{1755}]$$

$$= 313888 + 7565 (2.500 - 2.158)$$

$$= 313888 + (7565)(0.342)$$

$$= 313888 + 2590$$

$$= 316478 \text{ ft}$$

$$t = 67.26 = t_{B0}$$

$$V = 16953 - (32.2)(2.26) + 7565 \ln \frac{1755}{1250}$$

$$= 16953 - 73 + 2565$$

$$= 19445 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$h = 316478 - (161)(2.26)^2 + (16953)(2.26) + 7565 [2.26 - \frac{1250}{223.8} \ln \frac{1755}{1250}]$$

$$= 354710 + 7565 [2.26 - 1.895]$$

$$= 354710 + (7565)(0.365)$$

$$= 35470 + 2690$$

$$= 357400 \text{ ft}$$

If missle flies in a constant gravitational field then

or
$$\frac{d^{2}h}{dt^{2}} = -Mg$$
or
$$\frac{d^{2}h}{dt^{2}} = -g$$

$$h = -\frac{gt^{2}}{2} + C_{1}t + C_{2}$$
at $t = 0$ $h = 19445$ $h = 357400$

$$h = -\frac{gt^{2}}{2} + 19445t + 357400$$

$$h = -gt + 19445 = 0$$

$$t_{summit} = \frac{19445}{32.2} = 604.5 \text{ sec}$$

$$h_{summit} = -(16.1)(604.5)^{2} + (19445)(604.5) + 357400$$

$$= -5875000 + 11740000 + 357400$$

$$= 5865000 + 357400$$

$$= 6222400 \text{ ft}$$

Calculate hydraulic head

= 1180 miles

H = hydraulic head =
$$(L - ht)\rho_P(a + 1)$$

 $h = \frac{v}{\pi R^2} = \frac{6.15}{\pi (1.59)^2}$
= 0.775 ft/sec
 $0 \le t < 5$
H = $\frac{(47.7)(62.4)(2.89)}{144}$
= $\underline{59.7 \text{ psi}}$

$$H = \frac{(47.7-3.875)(62.4)(3.14)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(43.825)(62.4)(3.14)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{60.4 \text{ psi}}{144}$$

$$H = \frac{(43.825-3.875)(62.4)(3.47)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(39.950)(62.4)(3.47)}{144}$$

$$= \underline{60.0 \text{ psi}}$$

$$15 \le t < 20$$

$$H = \frac{(39.950-3.875)(62.4)(3.83)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(36.075)(62.4)(3.83)}{144}$$

$$= 59.8 \text{ psi}$$

$$H = \frac{(36.075 - 3.875)(62.4)(4.34)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(32.2)(62.4)(4.34)}{144}$$

$$= 60.5 \text{ psi}$$

$$H = \frac{(32.300-3.875)(62.4)(5.03)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(28.325)(62.4)(5.03)}{144}$$

$$= 61.6 \text{ psi}$$

30 ≤ t < 35

$$H = \frac{(28.325-3.875)(62.4)(5.98)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(24.45)(62.4)(5.98)}{144}$$

$$= 63.3 \text{ psi}$$

$$H = \frac{(24.450-3.875)(62.4)(7.29)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(20.575)(62.4)(7.29)}{144}$$

$$= 65.0 \text{ psi}$$

$$H = \frac{(20.575-3.875)(62.4)(8.99)}{144}$$

$$= \frac{(16.7)(62.4)(8.99)}{144}$$

$$= 65.1 \text{ psi}$$

$$45 = t$$

$$H = \frac{(13.15)(62.4)(11.48)}{144}$$
$$= 65.4 \text{ psi}$$

For t > 45 sec the hydraulic head was a necessary part of calculating the chamber pressure curve. The values listed below are from those calculations

| time, sec | Hydraulic head, psi |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 46.25 | 60.9 |
| 48.75 | 55.9 |
| 51.25 | 50.7 |
| 5 3. 75 | 45.4 |
| 56.25 | 39. 8 |
| 58.75 | 33.0 |
| 61.25 | 24.9 |
| 53.75 | 14.1 |
| 67.26 | 0 |

Calculate accelerations

F-D-W =
$$\frac{W}{g}$$
 a
a = $[\frac{F-D}{W} - 1]g$
t = 0 to 5
a = $(\frac{72290}{25000} - 1)g$
= $(2.89 - 1)g$
= $1.89 g$

$$t = 5$$
 to 10

$$a = (\frac{72528}{23085} - 1)g$$
$$= (3.14 - 1)g$$
$$= 2.14 g$$

$$t = 10$$
 to 15

$$a = (\frac{73505}{21170} - 1)g$$
$$= (3.47 - 1)g$$
$$= 2.47 g$$

$$t = 15$$
 to 20

$$a = (\frac{73874}{19255} - 1)g$$
$$= (3.83 - 1)g$$
$$= 2.83 g$$

$$t = 20$$
 to 25

$$a = (\frac{75240}{17340} - 1)g$$
$$= (4.34 - 1)g$$
$$= 3.34 g$$

$$t = 25$$
 to 30

$$a = (\frac{77600}{15425} - 1)g$$
$$= (5.03 - 1)g$$
$$= 4.03 g$$

$$t = 30$$
 to 35

$$a = (\frac{80690}{13510} - 1)g$$
$$= (5.98 - 1)g$$
$$= 4.98 g$$

$$t = 35$$
 to 40

$$a = (\frac{84380}{11595} - 1)g$$
$$= (7.22 - 1)g$$
$$= 6.22 g$$

$$t = 40$$
 to 45

$$a = (\frac{86910}{9680} - 1)g$$
$$= (8.99 - 1)g$$
$$= 7.99 g$$

$$t = 45$$

$$a = (\frac{89100}{7765} - 1)g$$
$$= (11.48 - 1)g$$
$$= 10.48 g$$

$$t = 50$$

$$a = \left(\frac{78360}{6001} - 1\right)g$$
$$= (13.05 - 1)g$$
$$= 12.05 g$$

t = 55

$$a = (\frac{71040}{4414} - 1)g$$

$$= (16.1 - 1)g$$

$$= 15.1 g$$

t = 60

$$a = (\frac{63000}{2993} - 1)g$$

$$= (21.05 - 1)g$$

$$= 20.05 g$$

t = 65.0

$$a = (\frac{53400}{1755} - 1)g$$

$$= (30.4 - 1)g$$

$$= 29.4 g$$

t = 67.26

$$a = (\frac{49980}{1250} - 1)g$$

$$= (40.0 - 1)g$$

$$= 39.0 g$$

Calculate Helium Data

Let the inside diameter of the helium tank equal the inside diameter of the propellant tank.

Volume =
$$\frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 = \frac{(4\pi)(1.59)^3}{3} = 16.83 \text{ ft}^3$$

Use ideal gas law for helium calculations

Find the required He pressure at the top of the propellant

25% drop across the injector face

$$X - 0.25X = 150$$

 $X = \frac{4}{3} 150 = 200 \text{ psia}$

25% drop across the plumbing

$$X - 0.25X = 200$$

 $X = \frac{1}{3}200 = 266.6 \text{ psia}$

hydraulic head just before lift off = $\frac{(47.7)(62.4)}{144}$

throttle the helium so that its pressure at the top of the propellant is 246 psia. Find the time at which the pressure of the helium throughout the system is 246 psia.

$$\mathring{V} = \frac{\text{ft}^{3}}{\text{sec}} = \frac{\mathring{\text{mg}}}{\rho_{P}}$$

$$= \frac{(11.9)(32.2)}{62.4}$$

$$= 6.15 \text{ ft}^{3}/\text{sec}$$

$$P_{1}V_{1} = \text{mRT} = P_{2}V_{2}$$

$$V_{2} = \frac{(3500)(16.83)}{246} = 239.6 \text{ ft}^{3}$$

Vol of He in tank = 239.6 - 16.8 (assume volume of helium pipes negligible) = 222.8

$$t_1 = \frac{222.8}{6.15} = 36.3 \text{ sec}$$

Calculate BTU's necessary to make process isothermal

Starting with the first law

$$\delta q = dU + PdV$$

 $= mC_VdT + PdV$ since we assume helium is an ideal gas

Then dT = 0 so

$$\delta q = PdV$$

But

$$P = \frac{RT}{V}$$

so

$$1^{Q_2} = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} RT \frac{dV}{V}$$

$$= \frac{(1544)(518)}{(4)(778)} \ln \frac{397.83}{16.83}$$

$$= \frac{814.5 \text{ BTU/1b He}}{450 \text{ BTU Total}}$$

Calculate head suppression

$$\Delta P$$
 = head suppression = P_{He} + H - $\frac{16}{9}$ P_c

 $0 \le t < 5$

$$\Delta P = 246 + 59.7 - 266.7$$

= 39 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 60.4 - 266.7$$

= 39.1 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 60.0 - 266.7$$

= 39.3 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 59.8 - 266.7$$

= 39.1 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 60.5 - 266.7$$

= 39.8 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 61.6 - 266.7$$

= 40.9 psi

$$\Delta P = 246 + 63.3 - 266.7$$

$$= 42.6 \text{ psi}$$

$$t = 35 - 40$$

$$\Delta P = 246 + 65.0 - 266.7$$

$$= 44.3 \text{ psi}$$

At t=36.3 the pressure throughout the helium system is 246 psia. For each time interval (t>36.3) the helium pressure must be calculated by

$$P_1V_1 = P_2V_2$$

$$P_{He} = \frac{P_i V_i}{V_i + V_t}$$

Where

 P_i = initial He pressure

 $V_i = initial He volume$

 $\overset{\circ}{V}$ = time rate of change of He volume

t = time

$$t = 40$$

$$P_{He} = \frac{(3500)(16.83)}{16.83 + (6.15)(40)}$$

$$= \frac{(3500)(16.83)}{262.8}$$

$$= \frac{233 \text{ psia}}{262.8}$$

$$\Delta P = 233 + 65.1 - 266.7$$

$$= 31.4 \text{ psi}$$

Find time that chamber pressure begins to decrease. The condition for this is:

$$P_{He} + P_{H} - \frac{16}{9} P_{C} = \Delta P = 0$$

$$\frac{(3500)(16.83)}{16.83 + 6.15t} + 65.1 = 266.7$$

$$58900 = (16.83 + 6.15t)(201.6)$$

$$= 3390 + 1240t$$

$$t = \frac{55510}{1240}$$

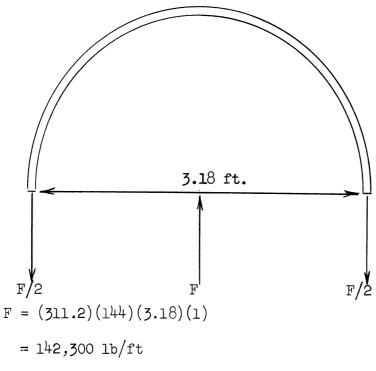
$$= 44.8 \text{ seconds}$$

Since this is very close to 45 seconds consider for calculations that the chamber pressure starts to decrease at 45 seconds.

Calculate amount of Fiberglas needed

From the head suppression graph it is seen that the maximum head suppression is 44.6 psi. Therefore, the maximum pressure at the bottom of the tank is 266.6 + 44.6 psia

Maximum pressure = 311.2 psia



Working Stress = $80,000 \text{ lb/in}^2$

Neglect atmospheric pressure in calculating wall thickness. This gives an additional safety factor.

$$t = \frac{142,300}{(2)(80,000)(12)}$$

$$= \frac{.0741 \text{ inch}}{1000}$$

$$V_{T} = \pi r^{2}h + \frac{2}{3}\pi r^{3}$$

$$\Delta V = 2\pi r h \Delta r + 2\pi r^{2} \Delta r$$

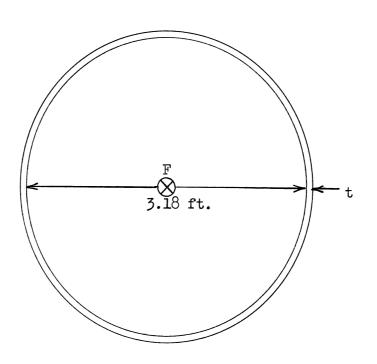
or

Vol Fiberglas =
$$(\pi Dh + 2\pi r^2)\Delta r$$

= $\pi(Dh + 2r^2)t$
= $\pi[(3.18)(47.7) + (2)(1.59)^2] \frac{0.0741}{12}$
= $\frac{(151.7 + 5.05)(0.0741)\pi}{12}$

$$= \frac{(156.75)(0.0741)\pi}{12}$$
$$= 3.04 \text{ ft}^{3}$$

Helium Tank



$$F = (3500)(144)(1.59)^{2}\pi$$

$$= 4,000,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$A = \pi r^{2}$$

$$dA = 2\pi r dr$$

$$\Delta A = \pi D \Delta r = \pi D t$$

$$t = \frac{(4,000,000)(12)}{(144)(80,000)(3.18)\pi}$$

$$= (348)(12)$$

$$= 0.417 \text{ inches}$$

$$\Delta V = 4\pi r^{2}t$$

$$V = \frac{(4\pi)(1.59)^2(0.417)}{12}$$
$$= 1.106 \text{ ft}^3$$

Total volume of fiberglas = 3.04 + 1.106

Wt. fiberglas = (4.146)(1.8)(62.4)

= 465.0 lbs.

Wt. engine = 89,350 400

= 223.37 lb

Total Wt. used

Wt. Helium = 42.4

Wt. fiberglas = 465.0

Wt. engine = 223.4

Total Wt. used = 730.8 lb.

Wt. left over for payload, plumbing, telemetry, etc.

$$= 519.2 lb$$

Payload from problem statement = 125.0 lb.

Wt. left over for plumbing, telemetry, etc.

The following performance curves and data sheet present a summary of the calculations for the liquid rocket motor system.

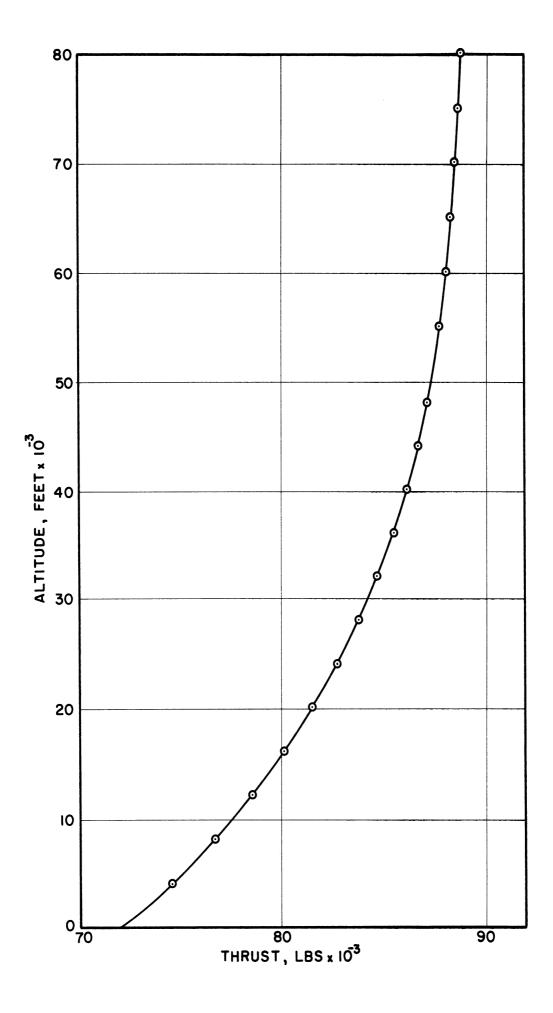


Figure 1. Rocket Motor Thrust as a Function of Altitude.

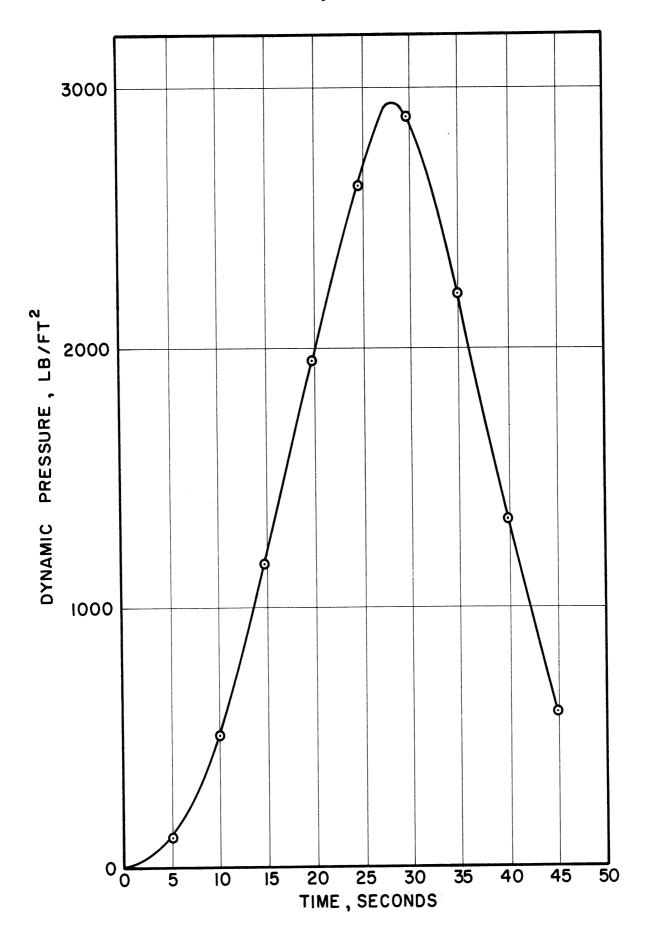


Figure 2. Dynamic Pressure Versus Altitude.

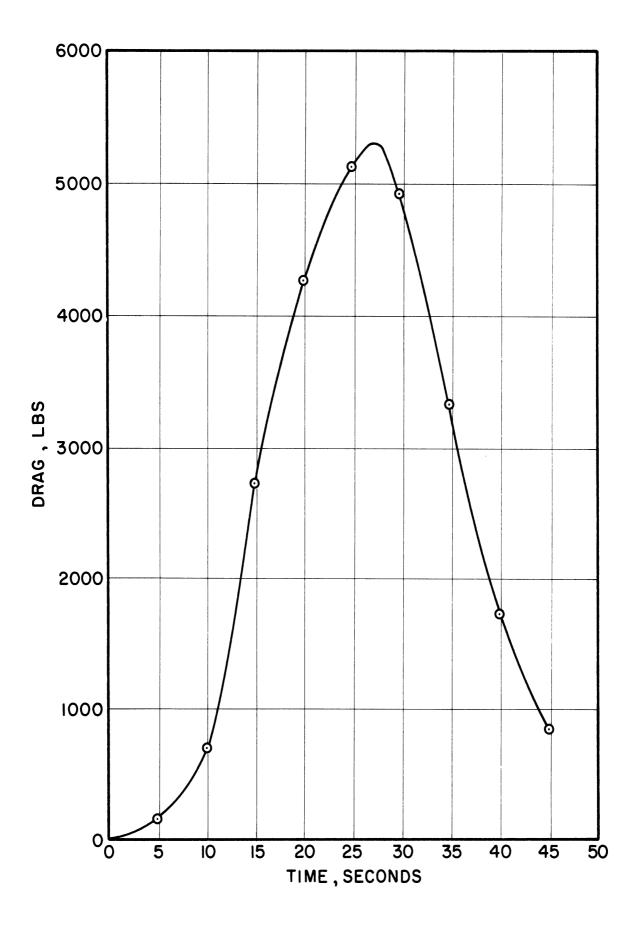


Figure 3. Drag Versus Time

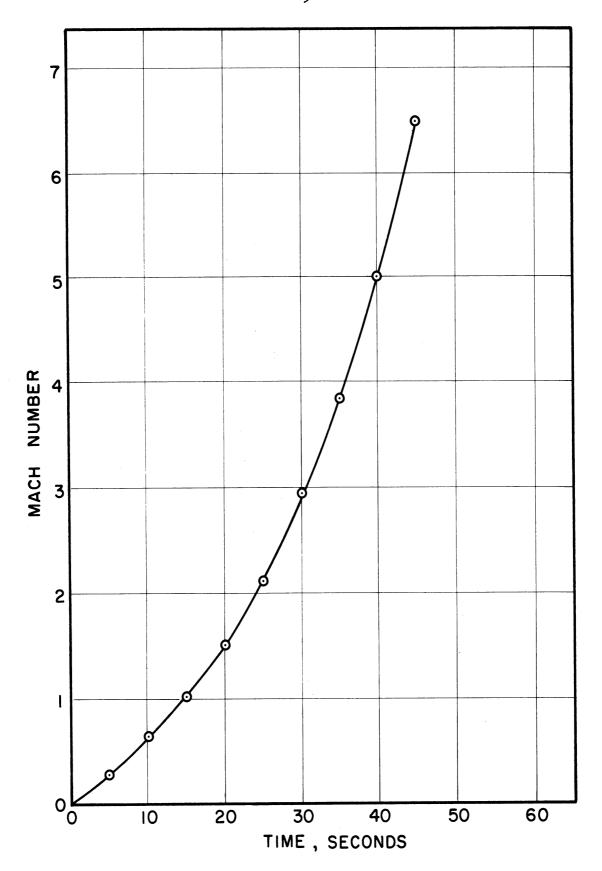


Figure 4. Mach Number as a Function of Time.

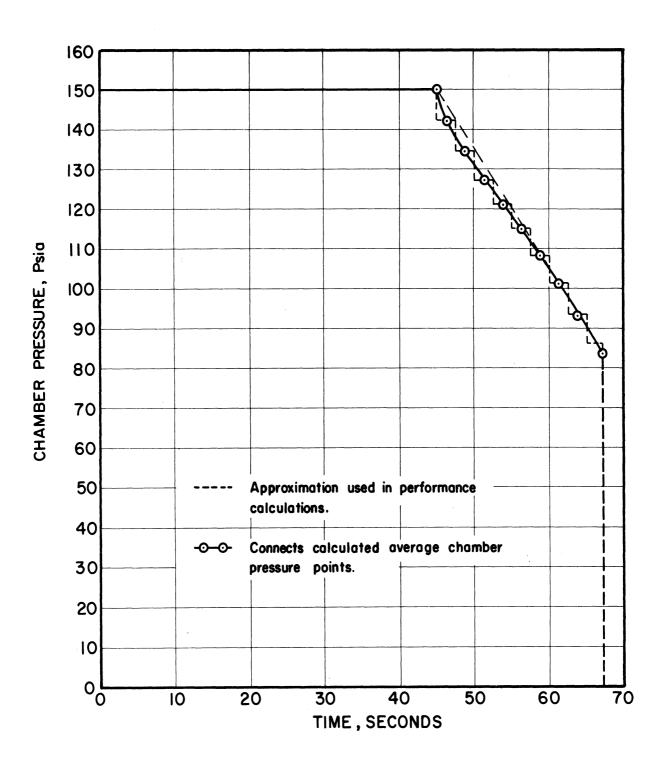


Figure 5. Rocket Chamber Pressure as a Function of Time.

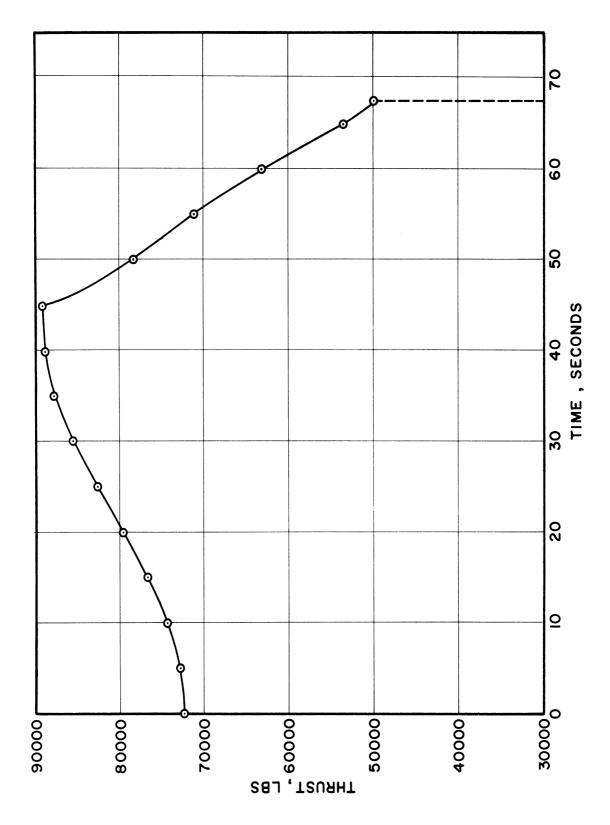


Figure 6. Rocket Motor Thrust Versus Time Until Burnout.

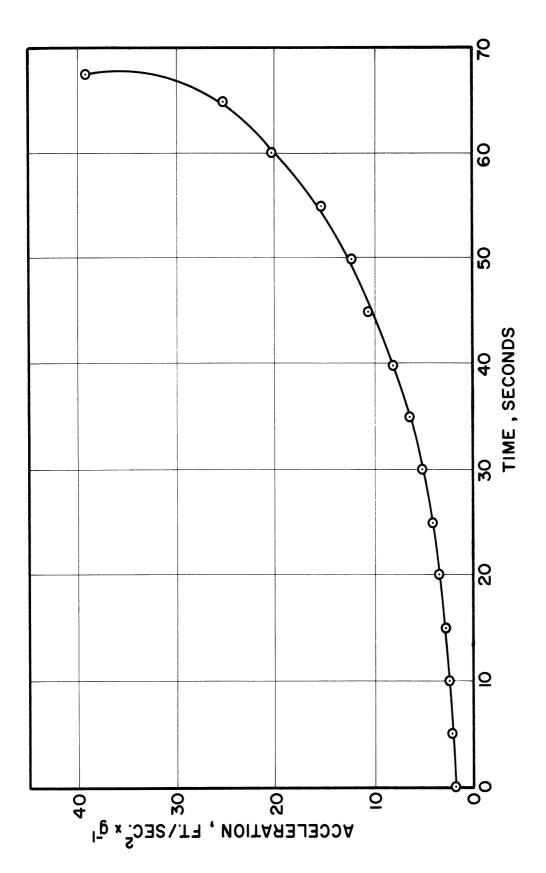


Figure 7. Vehicle Acceleration Versus Time.

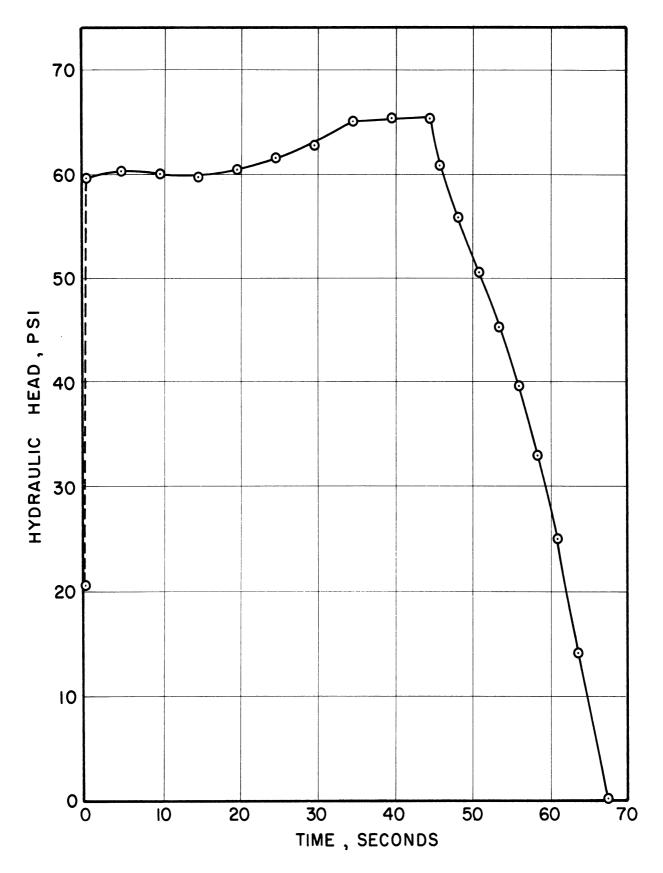


Figure 8. Hydraulic Head Versus Time.

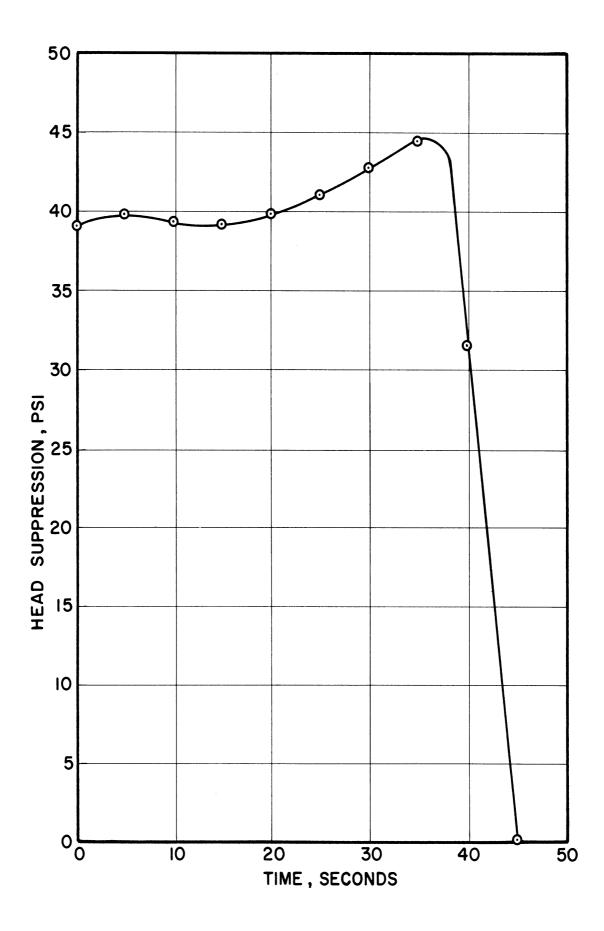


Figure 9. Pressure Drop Across the Head Suppression Valve as a Function of Time.

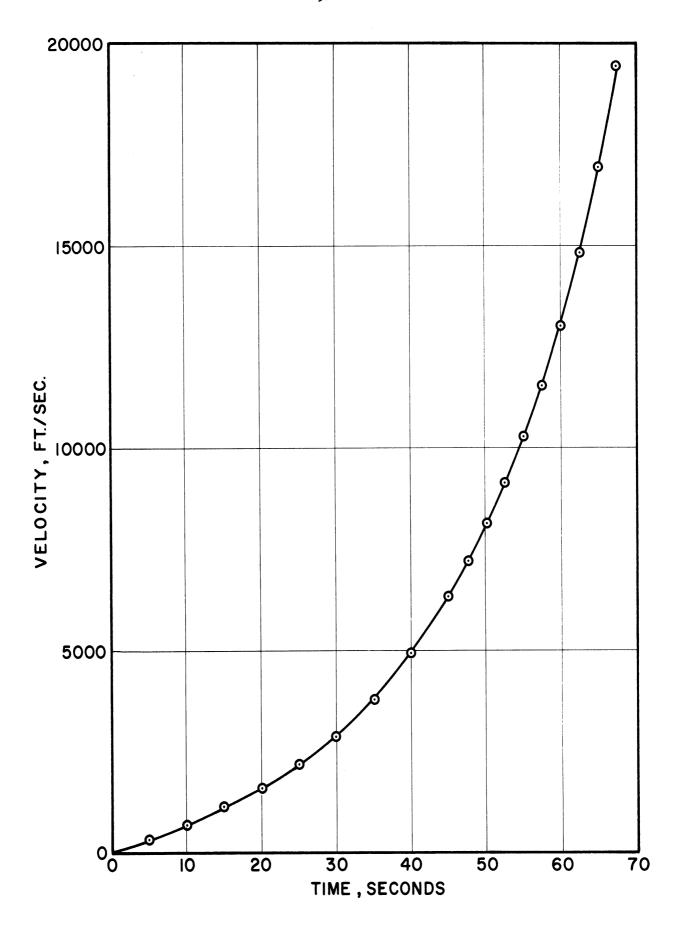


Figure 10. Vehicle Velocity Versus Time During Powered Phase.

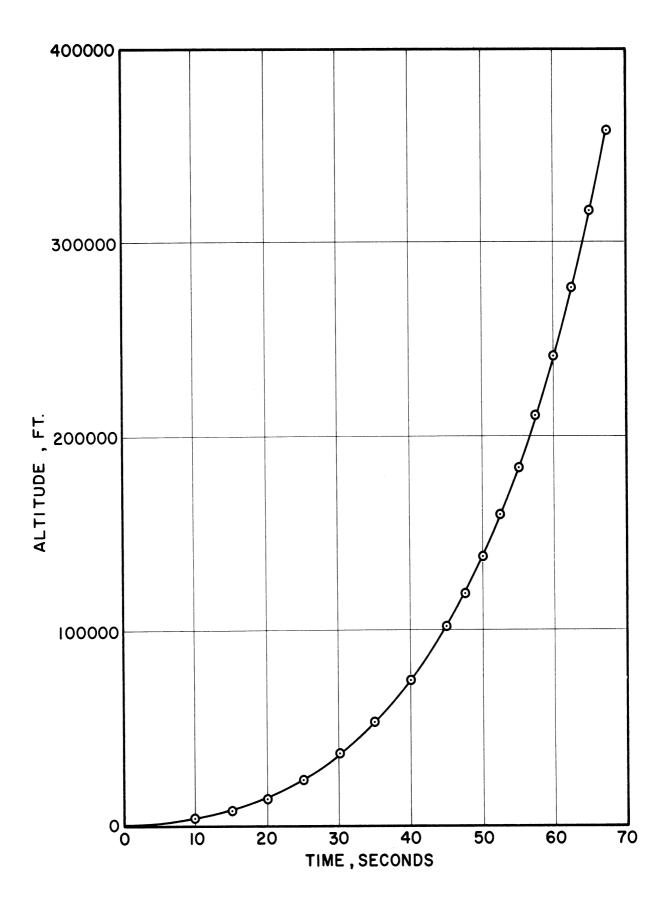


Figure 11. Altitude Versus Time During Powered Phase.

DATA SHEET

| Time Sec | Thrust | Dynamic Pressure | Drag 1b | Acceleration | Head Suppression | Chamber Pressure | Hydraulic Head Psi | Velocity | Altitude | Mach Number |
|-------------|--------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| | 1b | lb/ft ² | | ft/sec ² | Psi | Psi | | ft/sec | ft | |
| 0- | 72290 | 0 | 0 | | 0 | 150 | 20.6 | | | |
| 0+ | 72290 | 0 | 0 | 1.89g | 39.0 | 150 | 59.7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 72700 | 120.3 | 172.1 | 2.14g | 39.7 | 150 | 60.4 | 323 | 780 | 0.29 |
| 10 | 74200 | 514.0 | 695 | 2.47g | 39.3 | 150 | 60.0 | 690 | 3294 | 0.623 |
| 15 | 76600 | 1164 | 2 7 26 | 2.83g | 39.1 | 150 | 59.8 | 1113 | 7778 | 1.011 |
| 20 | 79500 | 1953 | 4260 | 3.34g | 39.8 | 150 | 60.5 | 1603 | 14537 | 1.512 |
| 25 | 82700 | 2620 | 5100 | 4.03g | 40.9 | 150 | 61.6 | 2182 | 23961 | 2.12 |
| 30 | 85600 | 2880 | 4910 | 4.98g | 42.6 | 150 | 63.3 | 2885 | 36578 | 2.98 |
| 35 | 87700 | 2205 | 3320 | 6.22 g | 44.3 | 150 | 65.0 | 3762 | 53124 | 3.88 |
| 40 | 88700 | 1328 | 1790 | 7.99g | 31.4 | 150 | 65.1 | 4882 | 74635 | 5.03 |
| 45 | 89100 | 595 | 848 | 10.48g | 0 | 150 | 65.4 | 6331 | 102522 | 6 .5 2 |
| 46.25 | | | | | | 142.0 | 60.9 | | | |
| 47.50 | | | | | | | | 7184 | 119399 | |
| 48.75 | | | | | | 134.5 | 55.9 | | | |
| 50.00 | 78360 | | | 12.05g | | | | 8117 | 138453 | |
| 51.25 | | | | | | 127.5 | 50.7 | | | |
| 52.50 | | | | | | | | 9141 | 159977 | |
| 53.75 | | | | | | 121.0 | 45.4 | | | |
| 55.00 | 71040 | | | 15.10g | | | | 10282 | 184212 | |
| 56.25 | | | | | | 114.8 | 39.8 | | | |
| 57.50 | | | | | | | | 11577 | 21146 7 | |
| 58.75 | | | | | | 108.0 | 33.0 | | | |
| 60.00 | 63000 | | | 20.05g | | | | 13067 | 242199 | |
| 61.25 | | | | | | 101.0 | 24.9 | | | |
| 62.50 | | | | | | | | 14829 | 276916 | |
| 63.75 | | | | | | 93.0 | 14.1 | | | |
| 65.00 | 53400 | | | 29.40g | | 89.0 | | 16953 | 316478 | |
| 67.26 | 49980 | | | 39.00g | | 83.3 | 0 | 19445 | 357400 | |

Summit Altitude is 1800 Miles.

SOLID ROCKET DESIGN

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NOMENCLATURE

m - mass flow

 $V_{\hbox{\footnotesize EX}}$ - velocity at exit of rocket nozzle

M - Mach number

T - temperature

c - denotes chamber conditions

P - pressure

a - speed of sound

 γ - ratio of specific heats

A - area

t - denotes throat conditions

Ex - denotes the conditions at the exit of the rocket nozzle

F - thrust

density

n - denotes exponent in burning rate low

r - burning rate

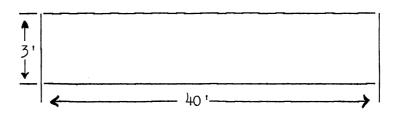
q - dynamic head

 $\Gamma \qquad - \qquad \gamma^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}$

R - gas constant

DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

Assume propellant chamber with internal dimensions as shown:



Propellant: NH4NO3/C2H4O/CATALYST

Properties: Adiabatic Flame Temperature = 2700°F.

Average Molecular Weight = 22 lb./mol.

y = 1.26

Typical Sea Level $I_{SP} = 195 \text{ Sec.}$ Characteristic Velocity = 4000 ft./sec. $r @ P_c = 1000 \text{ PSI} 70 \text{ °F} = 0.1 \text{ in./sec.}$

r Exponent - n = 0.4 Specific Weight = 0.056 lb./in.³

Lower Combustion Limit < 100 PSI Pressure Limit > 3000 PSI

Specifications:

General: Fill up to Base of Nozzle

Consider Star Grain

Burning time $20 \rightarrow 60$ seconds

Payload = 125 lb.

"Fiberglas" Casing - 80,000 PSI Design Stress Protective Heat Material - .050 in. of Gunk at

same Sp. Gr. as "Fiberglas."

Motor Weight:

70 lb. Thrust Lb. motor wt.

Leave out Volume Increase with Respect to Time but Comment on its Effect.

Estimate Velocity at Back End of Grain.

Size Nozzle so $P_{EX} = 1/2 P_{ATM}$ at Sea Level so Don't Need to Worry About Separation.

Maximum Pressure Fluctuation = 50%

Junk Weight = 150 lb.

Lift Off at 4g.

Weight Estimate:

Assume a loading fraction $\epsilon = \frac{\text{Total Cross-Sect. Area of Propellant}}{\text{Cross-Sectional Area of Motor}}$

= .80 (Preliminary Assumption)

Volume of propellant charge: (.80) $\cdot \frac{\pi D^2}{4}$ (40) = 226 Ft.³

Weight of charge: (226)(.056)(1728) = 21,850 lb.

Weight of fiberglas casing: 36 in. x 1000 PSI = 36,000 lb.



working stress = 80,000 PSI.

So the thickness is:

$$\frac{36,000}{80,000 \times 2}$$
 = .225 in. thick

The volume of fiberglas for the walls of the chamber is then given by

$$(\pi)(3)(40)(.225)(1/12) = 7.07 \text{ ft.}^3$$

Estimate the same thickness of fiberglas for the top of the chamber and roughly assume 1 ft. of lap joint:

$$\pi \frac{3^2}{4} + \pi(3) \ 1 = 3\pi(1 + \frac{3}{4})$$

Volume = $3\pi(1.75)(.225)(1/12) = .309$ ft.³ Total volume = 7.379 ft.³ Weight = 7.379 x 62.4 x 1.8 = 828 lb.

Weight of insulating material:

Volume of insulating material:

$$(\pi)(3)(40)(.050)(1/12) + (\pi)(9/4)(.050)(1/12)$$

= $1.6 \, \text{ft}.3$

Weight = $(1.6) \times (62.4) \times (1.8) = 179.8 \text{ lb.}$ Payload weight = 125 lb.

Tayload Weight - 12) I

Junk weight = 150 lb.

Total weight - Motor weight = 23,133 lb.

Assume motor weight = 1400 lb.

Total Weight = 24,533 lb.

For 4g lift-off thrust - thrust = 98,132 lb. - which corresponds to an engine weight of 1400 lb.

NOZZLE SIZING

It was specified to size the nozzle so that $P_{\rm EX}=1/2~P_{\rm ATM}$. This specification, along with a knowledge of the chamber properties and the desired thrust at sea level, enables the nozzle to be sized using isentropic relations and the basic thrust equation; the relations to be used are:

(1) F =
$$^{\circ}_{m}$$
 V_{EX} + (P_{EX} - P_{ATM}) \triangle_{EX} (Assuming Ideal Nozzle)

(2)
$$\stackrel{\mathsf{O}}{\mathsf{m}} = \frac{\gamma \mathsf{MAP}}{\mathsf{a}}$$

$$(3) \quad \frac{\text{Tc}}{\text{T}} = (1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \text{ M}^2)$$

$$(4) \quad \frac{P_c}{P} = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M^2\right)^{\gamma/\gamma - 1}$$

(5)
$$\frac{A}{A_t} = \frac{1}{M} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma - 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M^2 \right) \right] \frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}$$

(6)
$$V_{EX} = M_{EX} a_{EX} = M_{EX} \sqrt{\gamma a_{EX}}$$

Now, substituting (2) into (1):

(7)
$$F = \frac{\gamma M_t A_t P_t}{a_t} \cdot V_{EX} + (P_{EX} - P_{ATM}) A_{EX}$$

and substituting in (6) and cancelling constant terms:

(8)
$$F = \gamma M_t A_t P_t M_{EX} (T_{EX}/T_t)^{1/2} + (P_{EX} - P_{ATM}) A_{EX}$$

and, from the isentropic relationships:

Hence, (9)
$$\left(\frac{T_{EX}}{T_t}\right)^{1/2} = \left[\left(\frac{\gamma+1}{2}\right)^{\gamma/\gamma-1} \frac{P_{EX}}{P_c}\right]^{\gamma-1/z\gamma'}$$

Also, (10)
$$P_{t} = \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\gamma/\gamma-1} P_{c}$$
 and,
$$\frac{P_{c}}{P_{EX}} = \left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} M_{EX}^{2}\right)^{\gamma/\gamma-1}$$

$$M_{EX}^{2} = \frac{2}{\gamma - 1} \left[\frac{P_{c}}{P_{EX}} \right]^{\gamma - 1/\gamma} - 1$$

$$(11) \quad M_{EX} = \left\{ \frac{2}{\gamma - 1} \left[\frac{P_{c}}{P_{EX}} \right]^{\gamma - 1/\gamma} - 1 \right] \right\}^{1/2}$$

Now, divide (8) by A_{t} :

(12)
$$\frac{F}{A_{t}} = \gamma P_{t} M_{EX} (T_{EX}/T_{t})^{1/2} + (P_{EX} - P_{ATM}) A_{EX}/A_{t}$$

and the terms on the right of (12) can be evaluated with the known conditions:

$$P_c$$
 = 1000 PSI T_c = 3160°R
 P_{EX} = 7.35 PSI γ = 1.26

From (10):

$$P_{t} = (0.5532)(1000) = 553.2 \text{ PSI}$$

From (11):
$$M_{EX} = \{7.69 \ [(136.1)^{.2064} - 1]\}^{1/2}$$
$$= \{7.69 \ [2.76-1]\}^{1/2} = 3.678$$

From (9):
$$\left(\frac{T_{EX}}{T_{t}}\right)^{1/2} = \left[(1.13)^{4.85} \cdot (.00735)\right]^{.1031} = .64$$

From (5):
$$\frac{A_{EX}}{A_t} = \frac{1}{3.678} \left[(.885)(2.758) \right]^{4.345}$$

Then, from (12)
$$\frac{98,132}{A_t} = (1.26)(553.2)(3.678)(.64) - (7.35)(13.05)$$

 $98,132 = (1638 + 96) A_t$
 $A_t = 63.6 \text{ Sq. In.}$

and now the mass flow can be computed:

$$\frac{0}{m} = \frac{7 \text{ M A P}}{\text{at}} = \frac{(1.26)(63.6)(553.2)}{[(1.26)(32.2)(\frac{1544}{22})(\frac{3160}{1.13})]^{1/2}}$$

$$= 15.7 \text{ slugs/sec.}$$

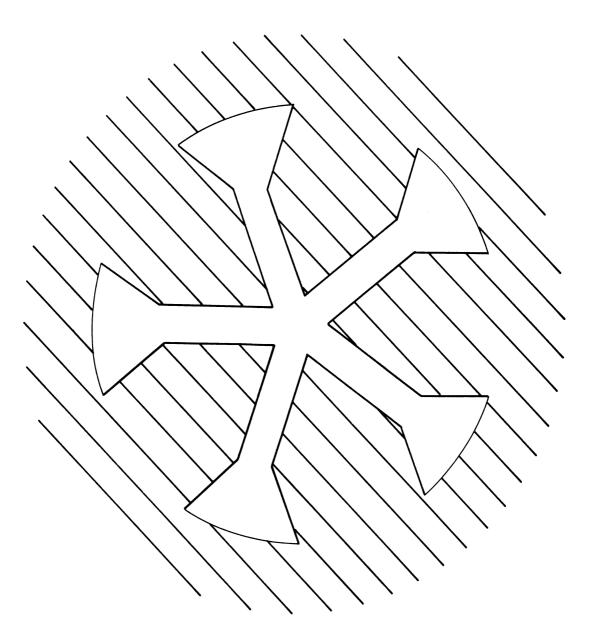


Figure 1. Wagon Wheel Grain Configuration.

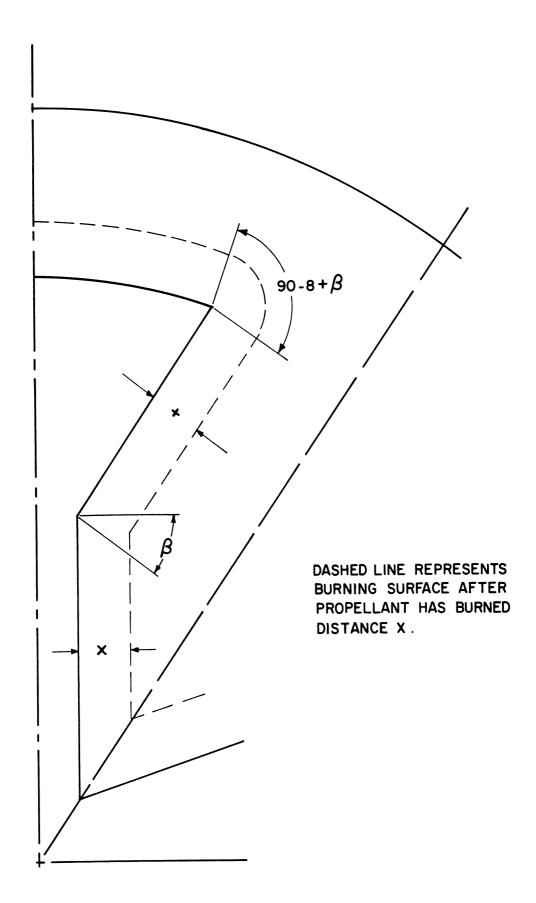


Figure 2.

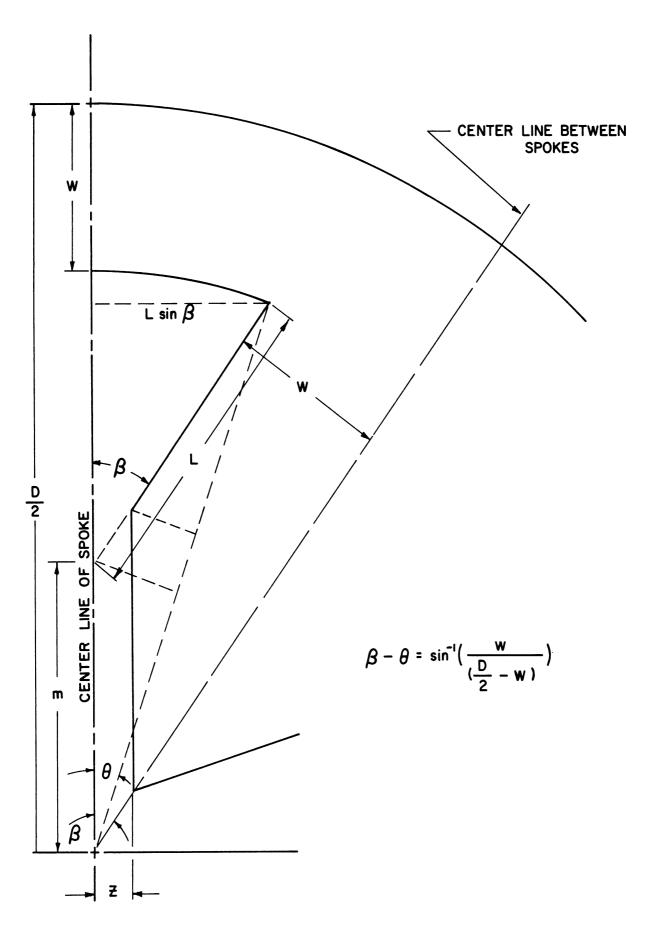
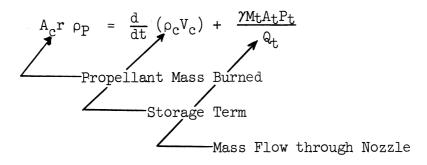


Figure 3.

GRAIN SIZING

Now, in general, the basic differential equation governing continuity for solid propellant rockets is:



and assuming that the storage term is negligible, this equation becomes:

$$A_{c}r \rho_{P} = \frac{\gamma M_{t} A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{t}}$$

and from the propellant properties:

$$\rho_{\rm P}$$
 = (.056)(1728) = 96.8 lb./ft.³
r = a Pⁿ = a(1000).⁴ = a(15.9) = .1 in./sec. = .00833 ft./sec.
a = .1/15.9 = .00629

so,

$$A_c = \frac{(15.7)(32.2)}{(.00833)(96.8)} = 626 \text{ ft.}^2$$

and, as the chamber is 40 ft. long the burning perimeter must be 15.66 ft.

DERIVATION OF EXPRESSIONS RELATING PACKING FRACTION AND BURNING PERIMETER TO CONFIGURATION DIMENSIONS

Burning Perimeter:

The burning perimeter may be found by considering the half spoke shown in the following sketch and multiplying the result by 10.

The perimeter is made up of three portions: The arc subtended by the angle θ , the line of the spoke inclined at the angle β to the

center-line and the vertical line of length m. The burning perimeter and loading fraction will be analytically determined.

The burning perimeter is initially given by the following relationship:

$$B_{\bullet}P_{\bullet j} = 10(S_1 + S_2 + S_3)$$

where:

$$S_{1} = \left(\frac{D}{2} - W\right) \cdot \Theta$$

$$S_{2} = L - \frac{Z}{\sin\beta} = \frac{\left(\frac{D}{2} - W - \frac{W}{\sin\beta} \cdot \cos\Theta\right)}{\cos(\beta - \Theta)} - \frac{Z}{\sin\beta}$$

$$S_{3} = m = \frac{W}{\sin\beta}$$

Now, the cross-sectional area of the propellant can be found. This will be done by subtracting the pie-shaped segments from the total area - then adding back in the triangles of base m and altitude L $\sin\beta$ - and finally subtracting out the parallelograms of base m and altitude Z. Hence the cross-sectional area of the propellant is given by:

$$A_{i} = \frac{\pi D^{2}}{4} - 5(\frac{D}{2} - W)^{2} \cdot \Theta + 5 \frac{W}{\sin \beta} \frac{(\frac{D}{2} - W - \frac{W}{\sin \beta} \cdot \cos \theta)}{\cos (\beta - \Theta)} - 10 \text{ mZ}$$

Now, after the propellant has burned a distance x the burning perimeter is:

$$B_{\bullet}P_{\bullet_{x}} = 10 (S_{1} + S_{2} + S_{3} + S_{4})$$

where:

$$S_{1} = \left(\frac{D}{2} - [W-x]\right) \theta$$

$$S_{2} = x \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta + \beta\right)$$

$$S_{3} = \frac{\left(\frac{D}{2} - W - \frac{W}{\sin\beta} \cdot \cos\theta\right)}{\omega s (\beta - \theta)} - \frac{Z}{\sin\beta} - x \tan\beta/2$$

$$S_{4} = m - \frac{x}{\sin\beta}$$

and the cross-sectional area of the propellant after it has burned a distance x can be found as:

$$A_{x} = A_{i} - 5 \left\{ \left(\frac{D}{2} - W + x \right)^{2} - \left(\frac{D}{2} - W \right)^{2} \right\} \Theta - 5 x^{2} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} - \Theta + \beta \right\}$$

$$- 10 mx - \frac{10x}{\tan \beta} \cdot \frac{x}{2} - 10 \left\{ \frac{\left(\frac{D}{2} - W - \frac{W}{\sin \beta} \cdot \cos \Theta \right)}{\cos (\beta - \Theta)} - \frac{Z}{\sin \beta} - \frac{x}{\tan \beta} - x \tan \frac{\beta}{2} \right\}$$

DISCUSSION OF CHOICE OF GRAIN CONFIGURATION

A sketch of the grain configuration chosen is shown on Page 60. Preliminary calculations were carried out for several star configurations but these all showed that it would be extremely difficult to meet the 4g lift-off specification for any decent loading factor without a highly regressive burning configuration resulting. It was therefore decided not to consider a star (internal) grain configuration any further. A cylindrical grain was briefly considered as it has the advantage of a uniform burning surface but it was immediately obvious that it would not be possible to meet the 4g lift-off requirement with any sort of loading fraction that was acceptable. Also, as it was specified in class not to use this configuration, its consideration was dropped.

It was then decided to try the wagon wheel configuration, and a five spoke wagon wheel, as shown in the sketch on Page 60, was decided upon as it has only slightly progressive burning as can be seen by the pressure trace on Page 61. An analytical procedure was then determined to size the configuration for a 4g lift-off and an analytic method of determining the burning surface as a function of x, the distance burned, was derived.

The actual design would differ slightly from the sketch on Page 60 in that the acute angles of the open or port area should be replaced by small fillets to prevent cracking during storing and handling. Also, although theoretically none are needed, there should be some sort of an inhibitor or structural member (i.e., a fine screen) placed along the center line between the spokes to guard against chunks of the propellant being carried downstream to the nozzle as a result of uneven

pellant being carried downstream to the nozzle as a result of uneven

burning -- i.e., see sketch:

Uneven burning in this region

Would cause chunk of propellant
to break off except for restraining member.

Thibitor or structural
restraining member.

The pellant to break off except for restraining action of inhibitor.

The analytic solution of the optimum grain configuration follows:

SELECTION OF CORRECT GRAIN CONFIGURATION

It is first necessary to know the relationship between burning perimeter and loading fraction ϵ for a 4g lift-off. This relationship may be plotted by proceding in a manner similar to that used in the preliminary calculations from the calculations on Page 62.

$$A_{t} = \frac{F}{1542} \text{ in.}^{2}$$

and from the calculations on Page 63:

$$A_c = \frac{o}{m} = .0064 \text{ F} \text{ ft.}^2 \text{ when F is in units of pounds.}$$

and to determine the trust necessary for a given loading factor it can be seen from the calculations on Pages 57 and 58 that:

Total weight =
$$T.W. = 1283 + (27350)\varepsilon + motor weight$$

Motor weight = $F/70$; $F = 4 \times T.W.$

and the values of thrust and loading factor that satisfy these relationships are given below along with the corresponding values of $A_{f c}$ and burning perimeter:

| for $\epsilon = .60$: | Total weight Thrust A _C B. P. | = 75,012 | lb. |
|------------------------|---|---|-------------|
| for $\epsilon = .70$ | Total weight Thrust A _C B. P. | | |
| for ε = .75 | Total weight thrust A _C B. P. | = 23103 = 92,412 = 591 = 14.79 | lb. ft.2 |
| for $\epsilon = .80$ | Total weight Thrust A _C B. P. | = 98.132 | lb. |
| for $\epsilon = .85$ | Total weight Thrust A _c B. P. | = 103932 | lb. |

GRAIN CHARACTERISTICS

Consider a grain with a four inch web and five spokes (the five spoke configuration was chosen as it gives the most neutral progressivity ratio). Then:

$$\underline{W} = \underline{4}$$
"; $\frac{D}{2} = 18$; $\beta = 36^{\circ} = .628 \text{ rad.}$; $\sin \beta = .588$; $\theta = 36^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \frac{4}{14}$
= $36.0^{\circ} - 16.6^{\circ} = 19.4^{\circ} = .3385 \text{ rad.}$
 $\cos \theta = .943$; $\cos(\beta - \theta) = \cos 16.6^{\circ} = .959$

then,
$$S_1 = (14)(.3385) = 4.74 \text{ in.}$$

$$S_2 = \frac{(14 - 6.42)}{.959} - 1.7z = 7.91 - 1.7z$$

$$S_3 = 6.80 \text{ in.}$$

Therefore,
B.
$$P_{i} = \frac{10}{12} (19.45 - 1.7z) \text{ ft.}$$

and the cross-sectional area is:

$$A_i = 1018 - 5 \times 196 \times .3385 + 5 \times 6.8 \times 7.91 \times .588 - 10 \times 7.91 \times .588 -$$

so the loading factor is given by:

$$\epsilon_{i} = \frac{844-68z}{1018}$$
Then, for $z = 0$, $B.P._{i} = 16.20$ ft., $\epsilon_{i} = .829$
for $z = 1$, $B.P._{i} = 14.8$ ft., $\epsilon_{i} = .761$
for $z = 2$, $B.P._{i} = 13.37$ ft., $\epsilon_{i} = .695$

$$\underline{W = 3.9}'', \underline{D} = 18; \beta = 36^{\circ}; \theta = 36^{\circ} - \sin^{-1} \frac{3.9}{14.1} = 36^{\circ} - 16.05^{\circ} = 19.95^{\circ}$$

$$= .3475 \text{ rad.}$$

cos
$$\theta$$
 = .940; cos $(\beta-\theta)$ = .961
then, $S_1 = (14.1)(.3475) = 4.90$ in. $S_2 = \frac{(14.1 - 6.24)}{.961} - 1.7z = 8.18 - 1.7z$
 $S_3 = 6.64$ in.

Therefore.

$$B.P._i = \frac{10}{12} (19.72 - 1.7z)$$

and the cross-sectional area is:

$$A_i = 1018 - 5 \times 198.8 \times .3475 + 5 \times 6.64 \times 8.18 \times .588 - 10 \times 6.64z$$

= 1018 - 346 + 159.5 - 66.4z = 832 - 66.4z

so, the loading factor is given by:

$$\epsilon_{i} = \frac{832 - 66.4z}{1018}$$

Then, for
$$z = 0$$
 $B.P._i = 16.42 \text{ ft.}$, $\epsilon_i = .817$ for $z = 1$ $B.P._i = 15 \text{ ft.}$, $\epsilon_i = .752$ for $z = 2$ $B.P._i = 13.6 \text{ ft.}$, $\epsilon_i = .687$ $W = 3.95$ ", $\frac{D}{2} = 18$, $\beta = 36^\circ$, $\theta = 36^\circ - \sin^{-1}\frac{3.95}{14.05} = 36^\circ - 16.31^\circ = 19.69^\circ$ 5 cos $\theta = .942$, cos $(\beta-\theta) = .960$ $\epsilon = .3435 \text{ rad.}$ then, $S_1 = (14.05)(.3435) = 4.83 \text{ in.}$ $S_2 = \frac{(14.05 - 6.32)}{.960} - 1.7z = 8.06 - 1.7z$ $S_3 = 6.71 \text{ in.}$

Therefore,

$$B.P._{i} = \frac{10}{12} (19.6 - 1.7z)$$

and the cross-sectional area is:

$$A_i = 1018 - 5 \times 197.3 \times .3435 + 5 \times 6.71 \times 8.06 \times .588 - 10 \times 6.71z$$

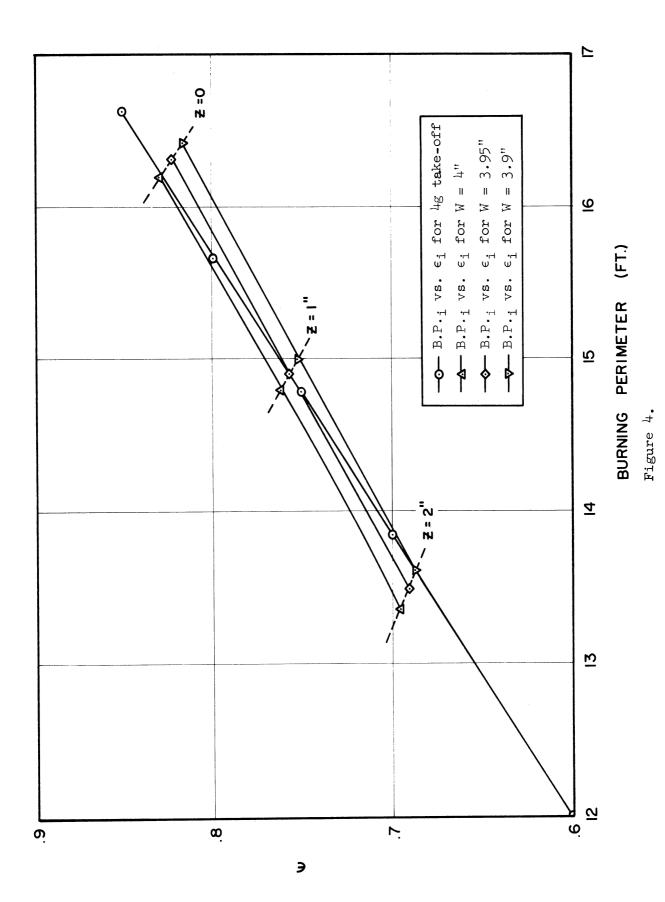
= 1018 - 339 + 159 - 67.1z = 838 - 67.1z

so the loading factor is given by:

$$\epsilon_{i} = \frac{838 - 67.1z}{1018}$$

DISCUSSION OF INITIAL CONFIGURATION DESIGN PLOT

The plot on the preceding page was used to analytically size the wagon wheel configuration for a 4g lift-off thrust. It should be noted that the configuration with W = 3.95" and z = 1" is a design point and this was the



design point chosen for the configuration as it was felt that z=1" was a reasonable value to keep the internal velocity at a reasonable magnitude and still maintain a fairly high loading factor.

This plot could be extended to cover various g take-off conditions and more values of W so as to make a complete design chart for a given size propellant chamber and the five spoke wagon wheel configuration.

It should also be noted from the plot that the value of W = 3.95" is a very good choice for a 4g lift-off as it comes very close to giving this for a range of values of ϵ and z.

DETERMINATION OF BURNING PERIMETER AS FUNCTION OF TIME

Using the five spoke wagon wheel with a web of 3.95" and z = 1" the burning perimeter as a function of x is:

$$B.P._{x} = \frac{10}{12} \left\{ (14.05 + x)(.3435) + x(\frac{\pi}{2} - .3435 + .628) + (6.36 - x[.3249]) + (6.71) - 1.7x \right\}$$

$$= \frac{10}{12} \left\{ 4.825 + .3435x + 1.8553x + 6.36 - .3249x + 6.71 - 1.7x \right\}$$

$$= \frac{10}{12} \left\{ 17.9 + .1739x \right\} \text{ ft.}$$

Now, for ϵ = .757 the total propellant weight is 20680 lb. and the mass flow through the nozzle is given as:

$$\frac{\gamma M_{t} A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{t}} = \frac{\gamma A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{t}} = \frac{\gamma A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{t}} = \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\gamma/\gamma-1} A_{t} P_{t}}{\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{1/2} a_{c}} = \frac{\gamma \left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)^{\gamma+1/2(\gamma-1)} A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{c}}$$

the rate of generation of mass is:

$$A_c r \rho_P = B.P.$$
 (40) $aP_c^n \rho_P$

and these must be equal so

$$(B.P.)(40)(.00629)P_c^{.4} (96.8)(1/12) = \frac{.7408 \text{ At } P_c (144)}{\sqrt{(1.26)(32.2)(\frac{1544}{22})(3160)}}$$

at t = 0,
$$B.P. = 14.91$$
 ft., $P_c = 1000$ PSI, so,

$$(14.91)(40)(.00629)(96.8)(1/12) = \frac{(.7408)(144)A_{t}(1000)^{.6}(32.2)}{3000}$$

$$A_{t} = .4195 \text{ ft}^{2}$$

and then from the expressions on Page

$$F = (1532)(.4195)(144) = 93,200 lb.$$

so the motor weight will be 1332 lb and the total weight will be 23,295 lb. so the lift-off will be at 4g's as expected.

Meanwhile, back at the burning perimeter and hence chamber pressure as a function of time -- the governing equation is:

$$(B.P.)(40)aP_c^k \rho_P = \frac{\Gamma A_t P_c}{a_c}$$

or, rearranging:

$$P_{c}^{1-n} = \frac{a_{c} \cdot 40 \cdot a \rho_{P} (B.P.)}{\Gamma A_{+}}$$

Now, as the geometry is fixed and the combustion is assumed to take place at constant temperature the only variables in the above equation are P_c and (B.P.). Taking the logarithms of both sides:

1-n Log
$$P_c = Log \left\{ \frac{a_c \cdot 40 \cdot a \cdot \rho_P}{\Gamma A_+} \right\} + Log (B_{\circ}P_{\circ})$$

where the first term on the right hand side is a constant. This constant may be evaluated by substituting in the values for (B.P.) and $P_{\rm C}$ at time t=0. Hence

$$(1-n)$$
 Log $P_c = C + Log (B.P.)$

.6
$$Log(1000) = C + Log(179)$$

Therefore
$$C = 1.8 - 2.25285 + 10 - 10$$

 $= -.45285$
so, .6 Log $P_c = -.45285 + Log (B.P.)$
 $Log P_c = -.75475 + 1.66667 Log (B.P.)$

Now the procedure for determining the chamber pressure as a function of time will be as follows. At time t=0 P is known and a burning rate can be determined from this pressure. This burning rate will be assumed constant for a five second time interval -- thereby giving the distance, x, that the propellant has burned over the interval. Then a burning perimeter corresponding to that x can be determined and from the above equation a new value of pressure.

$$t = 0 \rightarrow 5 \text{ seconds}$$
: $x = 0 \rightarrow .5$ "

B.P. = $10[17.9 + .0869] = 179.87 \text{ in}$.

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (179.87)$$
$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(2.25496)$$
$$= -.75475 + 3.75826 = 3.00351$$

Therefore: $P_{c_5} = 1008 \text{ PSI}$

and small pressure change will be assumed to have a negligible effect on r $t = 5 \to 10 \text{ seconds: } x = .5" \to 1"$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .1739] = 180.739$$
 in.

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (180.739)$$

$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(2.25706)$$

$$= -.75475 + 3.76176 = 3.00701$$

Therefore: $P_{c_{10}} = 1016.3 \text{ PSI}$

and this pressure will again cause negligible change in burning rate.

$$t = 10 \rightarrow 15$$
 seconds: $x = 1" \rightarrow 1.5"$

$$B.P. = 10[17.9 + .2608] = 181.608 in.$$

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (181.608)$$

= $-.75475 + (1.66667)(2.25914)$
= $-.75475 + 3.76523 = 3.01048$

Therefore: $P_{c_{15}} = 1024.4 \text{ PSI}$

and this pressure corresponds to an r of .1007 in./sec. so r = .101 in./sec. will be used.

$$t = 15 \rightarrow 20 \text{ seconds: } x = 1.5" \rightarrow 2.005"$$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .3487] = 182.487$$
 in.

and

Log
$$P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667)$$
 Log (182.487)
= $-.75475 + (1.66667)(2.26123)$
= $-.75475 + 3.76872 = 3.01397$

Therefore:
$$P_{c_{20}} = 1032.7 \text{ PSI} \rightarrow r = .101 \text{ in./sec.}$$

 $t = 20 \rightarrow 25 \text{ seconds: } x = 2.005" \rightarrow 2.510"$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .4365] = 183.365$$
 in.

and

$$Log P_{c} = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (183.365)$$
$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(2.26332)$$
$$= -.75475 + 3.77220 = 3.01745$$

Therefore: $P_{c_{25}} = 1041.0 \text{ PSI} \Rightarrow r = .1013 \text{ in./sec.} = .101 \text{ in./sec.}$

 $t = 25 \rightarrow 30 \text{ seconds}: x = 2.510" \rightarrow 3.015"$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .5243] = 184.243$$
 in.

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (184.243)$$

= -.75475 + (1.66667)(2.26539)
= -.75475 + 3.77565 = 3.02090

Therefore: $P_{c_{30}} = 1049.3 \text{ PSI}$ \Rightarrow r = .102 in/sec.

$$t = 30 \rightarrow 35 \text{ seconds: } x = 3.015" \rightarrow 3.525"$$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .6130] = 185.866$$
 in.

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (185.130)$$
$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(2.26748)$$
$$= -.75475 + 3.77913 = 3.02438$$

Therefore:
$$P_{c_{35}} = 1057.8 \text{ PSI}$$
 \Rightarrow $r = .1017$ \Rightarrow $r = .102 \text{ in./sec.}$

$$t = 35 \rightarrow 39.150 \text{ seconds: } x = 3.525" \rightarrow 3.948"$$

B.P. =
$$10[17.9 + .6866] = 185.866$$
 in.

and

Log
$$P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667)$$
 Log (185.866)
= $-.75475 + (1.66667)(2.26921)$
= $-.75475 + 3.78202 = 3.02727$

Therefore:
$$P_{c_{39.15}} = 1064.8 \text{ PSI} \Rightarrow r = .102 \text{ in./sec.}$$

$$t = 39.150 \rightarrow 39.167$$
: $x = 3.948$ " $\rightarrow 3.95$ "

B.P. =
$$10[1.8553x] = (18.553)(3.95) = 73.284$$
 in.

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (73.284)$$

= -.75475 + (1.66667)(1.86501)
= -.75475 + 3.10835 = 2.35360

Therefore:
$$P_{c_{39.167}} = 225.74 \text{ PSI}$$

and the r may be computed as:

Log
$$(P_c)^{.4} = .94144$$
 \Rightarrow $(P_c)^{.4} = 8.7386$
 $r = (.00629)(8.7386) = .054 in/sec.$

$$t = 39.167 \rightarrow 42.5$$
: $x = 3.95" \rightarrow 4.13"$

and from the plot on the following page:

B.P. =
$$10[(4.13)(1.25)] = 51.625$$
"

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (51.625)$$

$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(1.71286)$$

$$= -.75475 + 2.85477 = 2.10002$$

Therefore: $P_{c_{42.5}} = 125.9 \text{ PSI}$

and the r may be computed as:

Log
$$P_c^{, 4} = .84001$$
 \Rightarrow $P_c^{, 4} = 6.9185$
 $r = (.00629)(6.9185) = .044$ in. /sec.

 $t = 42.5 \rightarrow 44.5$: $x = 4.13" \rightarrow 4.22"$

B.P. =
$$10[(4.22)(1.098)] = 46.3$$
"

and

$$Log P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) Log (46.3)$$
$$= -.75475 + (1.66667)(1.66558)$$
$$= -.75475 + 2.77596 = 2.02121$$

Therefore: $P_{c_{144.5}} = 105.1 \text{ PSI}$

and the r may be computed as:

Log
$$P_c^{.4} = .80848$$
 $P_c^{.4} = 6.434$ $r = (.00629)(6.434) = .040$

 $t = 44.5 \rightarrow 45$: $x = 4.22" \rightarrow 4.24"$

B.P. =
$$10[(4.24)(1.053)] = 44.65$$

and

Log
$$P_c = -.75475 + (1.66667) \text{ Log } (44.65)$$

= $-.75475 + (1.66667)(1.64982) = 1.99495$

Therefore: $P_c = 98.85 PSI$

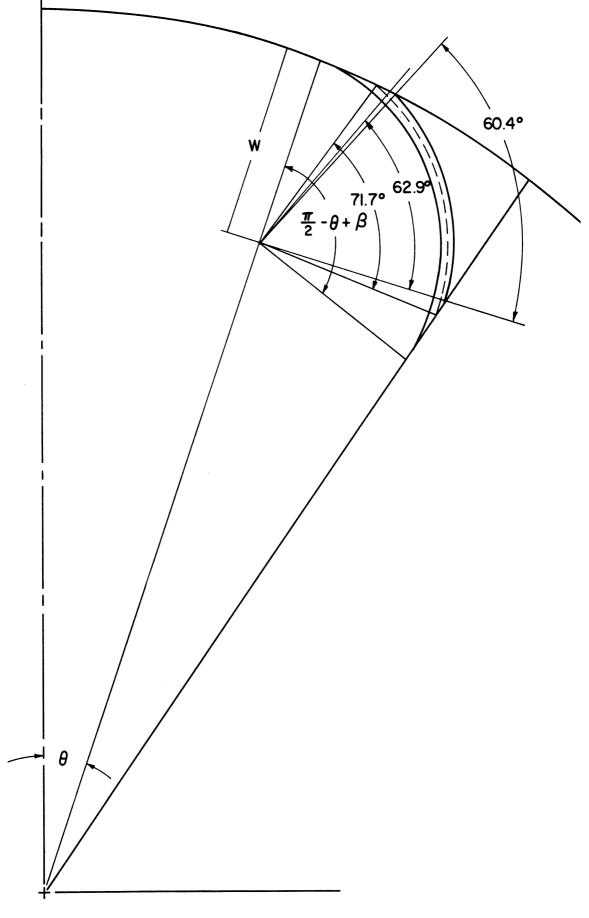


Figure 5. Burning Grain Geometry.

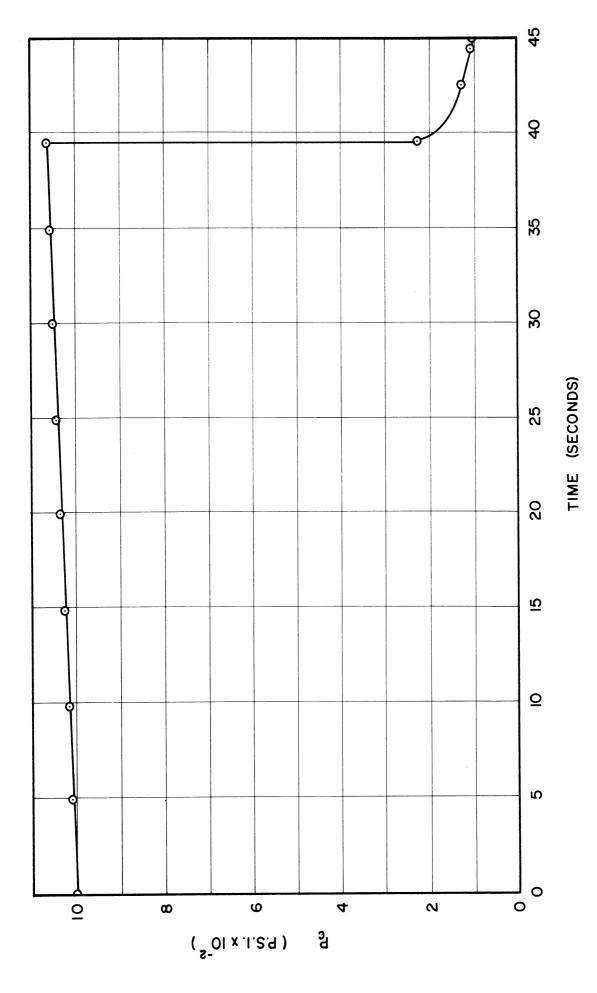


Figure 6. Chamber Pressure with Time.

DETERMINATION OF PROPELLANT CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA AND WEIGHT AS A FUNCTION OF TIME

The cross-sectional area is given by the expression on Page

as:

$$A_{x} = A_{1} - 5 \left\{ \left(\frac{D}{2} - W + x \right)^{2} - \left(\frac{D}{2} - W \right)^{2} \right\} \Theta - 5x^{2} \left\{ \frac{\pi}{2} - \Theta + \beta \right\} - 10 \frac{Wx}{\sin\beta}$$
$$- \frac{5x^{2}}{\tan\beta} - \left\{ \frac{\left(\frac{D}{2} - W - \frac{W}{\sin\beta} \cdot \cos\Theta \right)}{\cos(\beta - \Theta)} - \frac{Z}{\sin\beta} - \frac{x}{\tan\beta} - x \tan\frac{\beta}{2} \right\} x$$

and for the particular configuration chosen this reduces to:

$$A_{x} = 770.63 - 5 \{(14.05 + x)^{2} - (14.05)^{2}\}(.3435) - 5\{1.8553\}x^{2} - 10(6.71)x$$

$$- 10(.6882)x^{2} - 10\{8.06 - 1.7 - 1.3764x - .3249x\}x$$

$$= 770.63 - 1.7175 \{28.1x + x^{2}\} - 9.2765x^{2} - 67.1x - 6.882x^{2}$$

$$- (80.6 - 17)x + 17.013x^{2}$$

$$= 770.63 - 178.962x - .862x^{2}$$

and evaluating at the following times

at
$$t = 0$$
 $A_x = 770.63 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .757$
at $t = 5$ $A_x = 770.63 - 89.481 - .216 = 680.93 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .669$
at $t = 10$ $A_x = 770.63 - 178.962 - .862 = 590.81 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .580$
at $t = 15$ $A_x = 770.63 - 268.443 - 1.94 = 500.25 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .492$
at $t = 20$ $A_x = 770.63 - 358.7 - 3.46 = 408.47 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .401$
at $t = 25$ $A_x = 770.63 - 449.5 - 5.43 = 315.70 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .310$
at $t = 30$ $A_x = 770.63 - 539.5 - 7.83 = 223.3 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .219$
at $t = 35$ $A_x = 770.63 - 630.5 - 10.70 = 129.43 \text{ in}^2$ $\epsilon = .127$

at
$$t = 39.15$$
 $A_x = 770.63 - 707.0 - 13.43 = 50.20 in2. $\epsilon = .0493$
at $t = 39.167$ $A_x = 770.63 - 707.0 - 13.43 = 50.20 in2. $\epsilon = .0493$
at $t = 44.8$ $A_x = 50.20 \left[\left\{ \frac{(4.23)^2}{2} + \frac{(3.95)^2}{2} \right\} \right] = \left\{ 4.23 - 3.95 \right\} \left\{ .8 \right\}$ 10 where $\xi = 60.4$ " = 1.053 radians$$

$$A_x = 50.20 - [(.5265)(2.29) + .224] 10 = 35.91 in2; $\epsilon = .0353$$$

and similarly the weight as a function of time is given as:

$$W = 23.295 + (\epsilon - .757)(27350)$$

| so, at | t = 0 | seconds | W = | 23,295 | 1b. |
|--------|-------------------|----------------|------|--------|-------------|
| | t = 5 | seconds | W = | 20,888 | 1 b. |
| | t = 10 | seconds | W = | 18,455 | 1b. |
| | t = 15 | seconds | W = | 16,045 | 1 b. |
| | t = 20 | seconds | W = | 13,555 | 1b. |
| | t = 25 | seconds | W = | 11,075 | 1b. |
| | t = 30 | seconds | W .= | 8,585 | 1b. |
| | t = 35 | seconds | W .= | 6,055 | 1b. |
| | t = 39 | .15 seconds | W = | 3,935 | 1b. |
| | t _{b.o.} | = 44.8 seconds | W - | 3,545 | 1b. |

THRUST FOR VARYING P AND PA

We know from Equation (12) on Page 58 that:

$$\frac{F}{A_t} = \gamma P_t M_{EX} (T_{EX}/T_t)^{1/2} + (P_{EX} - P_A) \frac{A_{EX}}{A_t}$$

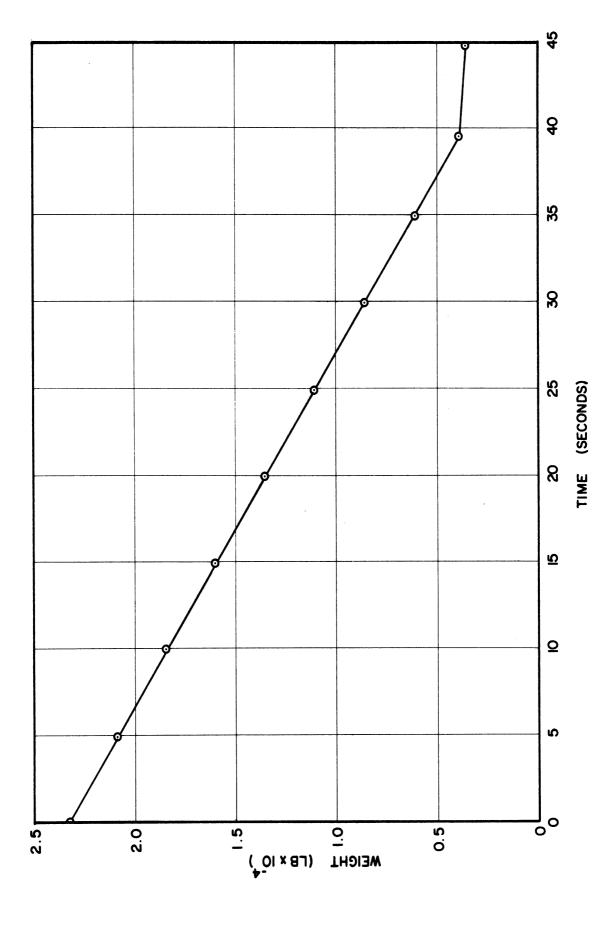


Figure 7. Weight Versus Time.

now, multiply by A_{t} and divide by P_{c}

$$\frac{F}{P_c} = \gamma \frac{P_t}{P_c} M_{EX} (T_{EX}/T_t)^{1/2} A_t + (\frac{P_{EX}}{P_c} - \frac{P_A}{P_c}) A_{EX}$$

and now the first two terms on the right hand side are known constants from the propellant specifications and nozzle geometry and may be evaluated:

$$\frac{F}{P_{c}} = (1.26)(.5532)(3.678)(.64)(60.4) + (.00735)(13.05)(60.4)$$

$$-\frac{P_{A}}{P_{C}}(13.05)(60.4)$$

so,

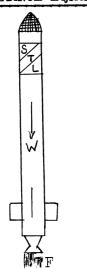
$$F = (99.0 + 5.8) P_{c} - 788.5 P_{A}$$
$$= 104.8 P_{c} - 788.5 P_{A}$$

for a check, consider lift-off:

$$F = (104.8)(1000) - (788.5)(14.7)$$
$$= 104,800 - 11,600 = 93,200 \text{ lb.}$$

and this checks with the previous calculation of this value found in the section dealing with the variation of burning perimeter as a function of time.

PERFORMANCE EQUATIONS



Consider a rocket vehicle in a vertical trajectory. Assuming drag negligible as speci-fied for performance calculations, and computing the velocity and altitude relations in time increments, it was shown in the previous design

study that:

$$V_f = V_o + \frac{gT\Delta t}{W_o - W_f} \ln \frac{W_o}{W_f} - g\Delta t$$

and

$$h_{f} = h_{o} + V_{o}\Delta t + \frac{gT\Delta t}{W_{o} - W_{f}} \left\{ ln \left(\frac{W_{f}}{W_{o}} \right)^{\frac{W_{f}}{W_{o}} - W_{f}} + \Delta t \right\} - \frac{g}{2} \Delta t^{2}$$

Where: f represents values at the end of the interval

o represents values at the beginning of the interval

Δt represents the time interval

It should be noted that the average mass flow over the interval is being used. Although this is more accurate than taking the mass flow at the beginning of the interval the change is very slight due to the almost constant P_c and the average is being used primarily for ease of computation. The thrust is evaluated at the beginning of the interval. Because of the nearly constant P_c 5 second intervals will be used as it is doubtful that any significant amount of accuracy would be added by considering smaller increments:

From $t = 0 \rightarrow 5$ seconds

$$V_{f} = V_{o} + \frac{gF\Delta t}{W_{o} - W_{f}} \quad \{\ln W_{o} - \ln W_{f}\} - g\Delta t$$

$$V_{5} = 0 + 6230 \quad \{\ln 23,295 - \ln 20,888\} - 161$$

$$= 6230 \quad \{10.05599 - 9.94693\} - 161 = 6230 \quad \{.10906\} - 161$$

$$= 680 - 161 = 519 \quad \text{ft./sec.}$$

and

$$\begin{split} h_f &= h_o + V_o \Delta t + \frac{gF\Delta t}{W_o - W_f} \left\{ \frac{W_f \Delta t}{W_o - W_f} \left\{ \ln(W_f) - \ln(W_o) \right\} + \Delta t \right\} - \frac{g}{2} \Delta t^2 \\ \frac{h_s}{E} &= 0 + 0 + 6230 \left\{ 43.3 \left\{ -.10906 \right\} + 5 \right\} - 402.5 \\ &= 6230 \left\{ -4.73 + 5 \right\} - 402.5 = 1682 - 402 = \underline{1280 \ ft}. \end{split}$$
 and at 1280 ft. $P_A = 14.03 \ PSI$, $P_c = 1008 \ PSI$

$$\underline{F} = 104.8 \ (1008) - 788.5 \ (14.03)$$

$$= 105.700 - 11070 = 94.630 \ lb. \end{split}$$

From $t = 5 \rightarrow 10$ seconds

$$V_{10} = 519 + \frac{161 \cdot 94,630}{(20,888 - 18,455)} \quad \{\ln 20,888 - \ln 18,455\} - 161$$

$$= 519 + 6260 \{9.94693 - 9.82309\} - 161$$

$$= 519 + 775 - 161 = 1133 \frac{\text{ft./sec.}}{\text{sec.}}$$

$$h_{10} = 1280 + (519)(5) + 6260 \{37.95 \{-.12384\} + 5\} - 402.5$$

$$= 1280 + 2595 + 6260 \{-4.695 + 5\} - 402.5 = 1280 + 2595 + 1910 - 402.5$$

$$= 5383 \text{ ft.}$$

and at 5383 ft.
$$P_A = 11.99 \text{ PSI}$$
, $P_c = 1016.3$
 $\underline{F} = 104.8 (1016.3) - 788.5 (11.99)$
 $= 106,300 - 94.45 = 96,855 \text{ lb}$.

From $t = 10 \rightarrow 15$ seconds

$$V_{15} = 1133 + \frac{161 \cdot 96,855}{(18,455 - 16,045)} \{ ln 18,455 - ln 16,045 \} - 161$$

= 1133 + 6470 {9.82309 - 9.68315} - 161
= 1133 + 905 - 161 = \frac{1877 \text{ ft./sec}}{\text{.}}

$$\frac{h_{15}}{15} = 5383 + 1133(5) + 6470 \{33.35 \{-.13994\} + 5\} -402.5$$

$$= 5383 + 5665 + 6470 \{-4.67+5\} -402.5 = 5383 + 5665 + 2135 - 402$$

$$= 12781 \text{ ft.}$$

and at 12,781 ft.
$$P_A = 9.060 \text{ PSI}$$
, $P_c = 1024.4 \text{ PSI}$

$$\underline{F} = 104.8 (1024.4) - 788.5 (9.060)$$

$$= 107350 - 7145 = 100,205 \text{ lb.}$$

From $t = 15 \rightarrow 20$ seconds

$$\frac{V_{20}}{V_{20}} = 1877 + \frac{161 \cdot 100,205}{(16,045 - 13,555)} \left\{ \ln 16045 - \ln 13555 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 1877 + 6480 \left\{ 9.68315 - 9.51451 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 1877 + 1093 - 161 = \underline{2809 \text{ ft./sec.}}$$

$$\frac{h_{20}}{V_{20}} = 12781 + 1877(5) + 6480 \left\{ 27.2 \left\{ -.16864 \right\} + 5 \right\} - 402.5$$

$$= 12781 + 9385 + \left\{ -4.58 + 5 \right\} 6480 - 402.0 \text{ F} + 2781 + 9385$$

$$+ 2720 - 402$$

$$= 24,484 \text{ ft.}$$

and at 24,484 ft.
$$P_A = 5.574 \text{ PSI}$$
, $P_c = 1032.7 \text{ PSI}$.
$$F = 104.8 (1032.7) - 788.5 (5.574)$$
$$= 108,250 - 4395 = 103,855 \text{ lb}$$
.

From $t = 20 \rightarrow 25$ seconds

$$\frac{V_{25}}{V_{25}} = 2809 + \frac{161 \cdot 103,855}{(13555 - 11075)} \left\{ \ln 13555 - \ln 11075 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 2809 + 6740 \left\{ 9.51451 - 9.31245 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 2809 + 1362 - 161 = \frac{4010 \text{ ft./sec.}}{200}$$

$$\frac{h_{25}}{2} = 24,484 + (2809)5 + 6740 \{22.34 \{-.20206\} + 5\} - 402$$

$$= 24,484 + 14045 + 6740 \{-4.515 + 5\} - 402$$

$$= 24,484 + 14045 + 3267 - 402$$

$$= 41,394 \text{ ft}.$$

and at 41,394 ft.
$$P_A = 2.545 \text{ PSI}$$
. $P_c = 1041 \text{ PSI}$

$$\underline{F} = 104.8 (1041) - 788.5 (2.545)$$

$$= 109,050 - 2006 = 107,044 \text{ lb}$$
.

From $t = 25 \rightarrow 30$ seconds

$$\frac{V_{30}}{V_{30}} = 4010 + \frac{161 \cdot 107,044}{(11075 - 8585)} \left\{ 1n \ 11075 - 1n \ 8585 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 4010 + 6950 \left\{ 9.31245 - 9.05777 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 4010 + 1770 - 161 = \underline{5619} \ \text{ft./sec.}$$

$$\frac{h_{30}}{V_{30}} = 41,394 + (4010)5 + 6950 \left\{ 17.22 \left\{ -.25468 \right\} + 5 \right\} - 402$$

$$= 41,394 + 20050 + \left\{ -4.390 + 5 \right\}^{(6950)} - 402 = 41,394 + 20,050$$

$$+ 4240 - 402$$

= 65,282 ft.

and at 65,282 ft.
$$P_A = .808 \text{ PSI}$$
, $P_c = 1049.3 \text{ PSI}$.
 $\underline{F} = 104.8 \cdot (1049.3) - 788.5 \cdot (.808)$
 $= 109,900 - 637 = \underline{109,263 \text{ lb}}$.

From $t = 30 \rightarrow 35$ seconds

$$\frac{V_{35}}{8585} = 5619 + \frac{161 \cdot 109,263}{(8585 - 6055)} \left\{ \text{ ln } 8585 - \text{ln } 6055 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 5619 + 6960 \left\{ 9.05777 - 8.70864 \right\} - 161$$

$$= 5619 + 6960 \left\{ .34913 \right\} - 161 = \frac{7888 \text{ ft./sec.}}{6000}$$

$$\frac{h_{35}}{=} = 65,282 + (5619)5 + 6960 \{11.97 (-.34913) + 5\} - 402$$

$$= 65,282 + 28095 + 6960 (.825) - 402 = 98,715 \text{ ft.}$$
and at 98,715 ft. $P_A = .1641 \text{ PSI}$ $P_c = 1057.8 \text{ PSI.}$

$$\underline{F}$$
 = 104.8 (1057.8) - 788.5 (.1641)
= 110,900 - 129 = 110,771 lb.

From t = $35 \rightarrow 39.167$ seconds

$$V_{39.167} = 7888 + \frac{(4.167)(32.2)(110,771)}{(6055 - 3905)} \{ \ln 6055 - \ln 3905 \} - 135$$

$$= 7888 + 6910 \{ 8.70864 - 8.27001 \} - 135$$

$$= 7888 + 3030 - 135 = \frac{10783 \text{ ft./sec.}}{\text{sec.}}$$

$$h_{39.167} = 98,715 + 7888 (4.167) + 6910 \{ 7.57 (-.43863) + 5 \} - 280$$

$$= 98,715 + 32820 + 11620 - 280 = 142,875 \text{ ft.}$$

and at 142,875 ft.
$$P_A = .026 \text{ PSI}$$
, $P_c = 225.74 \text{ PSI}$
 $\underline{F} = 104.8 (225.74) - 788.5 (.026)$
 $= 23,650 - 20 = 23,630 \text{ lb.}$

From t = 39,167 seconds \rightarrow 42.5 seconds

$$V_{\underline{42.5}} = 10783 + \frac{(3.333)(32.2)(23,630)}{(3905 - 3620)}$$
 {ln 3905 - ln 3620} - 107
= 10783 + 8900 {8.27001 - 8.19423} - 107
= 10783 + 674 - 107 = 11,350 ft./sec.
 $h_{\underline{42.5}} = 142,875 + (10783)(3.333) + 8900 {42.3 (-.07578) + 5} - 111$
= 142,875 + 35900 + 15930 - 111 = 194,594 ft.

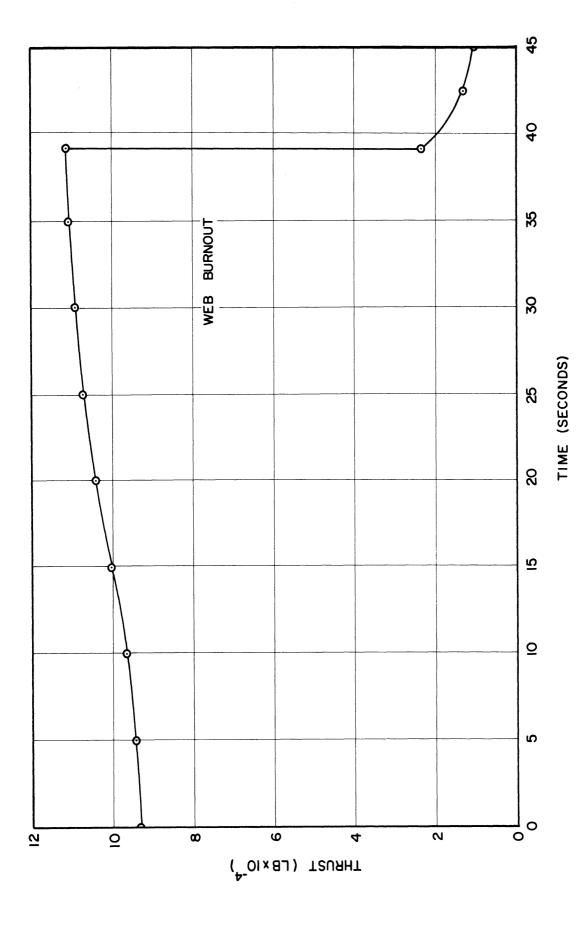


Figure 8. Thrust Versus Time.

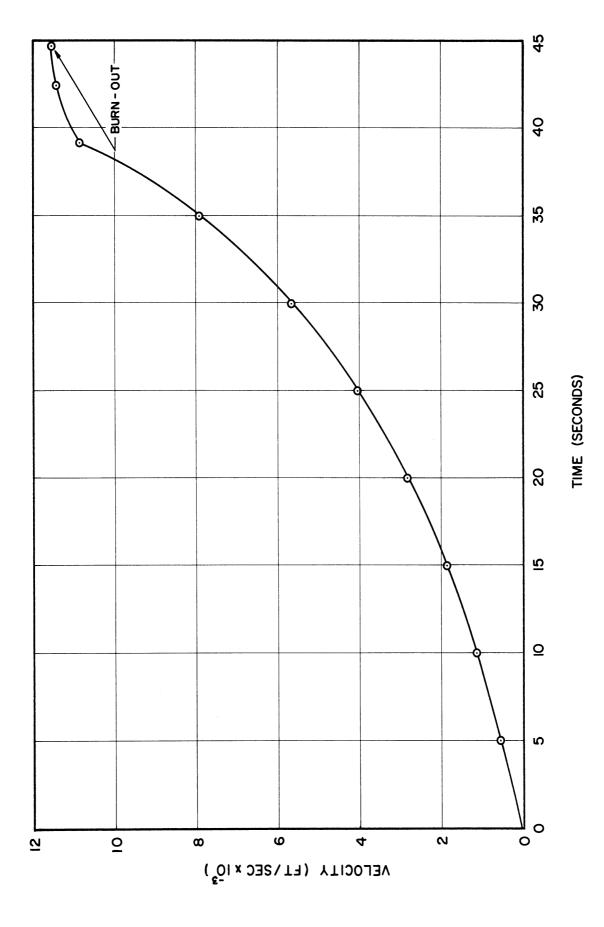


Figure 9. Rocket Velocity as a Function of Time.

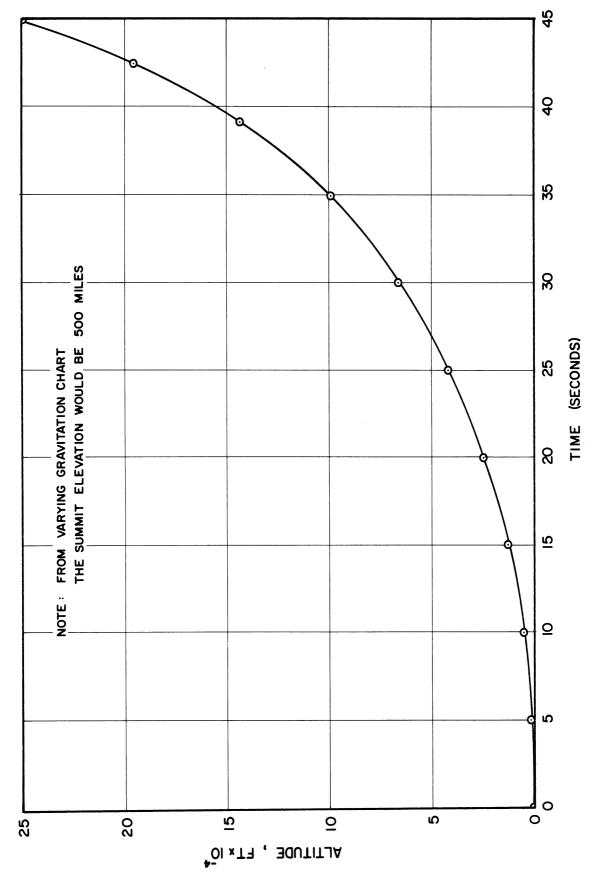


Figure 10. Rocket Altitude Versus Time During Powered Phase.

and at 194,594
$$P_A$$
 is negligible and P_c = 125.9

$$F = 104.8 (125.9) = 13,200 1b.$$

From $t = 42.5 \rightarrow 44.8$ seconds (Burn-out)

$$V_{\underline{44.8}} = 11,350 + \frac{(2.3)(32.2)(13,200)}{(3620 - 3545)}$$
 {ln 3620 - ln 3545} - 74
= 11,350 + 9870 {8.19423 - 8.17329} - 74
= 11,350 + 198 - 74 = 11,474 ft./sec.
 $h_{\underline{44.8}} = 194,594 + (11,350)(2.3) + 9870 \{108.8 \{-.02094\} + 5\} - 85$
= 194,594 + 26100 + 26800 - 85 = 247,409 ft.

UTATION OF MACH NUMBER AND DYNAMIC HEAD

At t = 0 seconds

$$M = 0$$
 $q = 0$

At t = 5 seconds

c = 1112 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{519}{1112} = .466$$

 $\rho = (.9632)(.002378) = .00229 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $\underline{q} = 1/2(.00229)(519)^2 = 309 \frac{1b./ft.^2}{}$

At t = 10 seconds

c = 1096 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{1133}{1096} = \frac{1.035}{1096}$$

 $\rho = (.8518)(.002378) = .002024 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $\rho = 1/2 (.002024)(1133)^2 = 1300 \frac{1b./ft.^2}{1000}$

At t = 15 seconds

c = 1067 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{1877}{1067} = \frac{1.76}{1067}$$

$$\rho = (.6761)(.002378) = .001608 \frac{1b./sec.^2}{ft.^4}$$

$$\underline{q} = 1/2 (.001608)(1877)^2 = \underline{2833} \ 1b./ft.^2$$

At t = 20 seconds

c = 1018 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{2809}{1018} = \frac{2.76}{1018}$$

$$\rho = (.4564)(.002378) = .001085 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$$

$$q = 1/2 (.001085)(2809)^2 = \frac{4277}{10./ft.^2}$$

At t = 25 seconds

c = 968.5 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{4010}{968.5} = \frac{4.15}{968.5}$$

 $\rho = (.2302)(.002378) = .000547 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $q = 1/2 (.000547)(4010)^2 = \frac{4395}{16.76t.^2}$

At t = 30 seconds

c = 968.5 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{5619}{968.5} = \frac{5.8}{968.5}$$

 $\rho = (.07305)(.002378) = .0001738 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $q = 1/2 (.0001738)(5619)^2 = 2745 \frac{1b./ft.^2}{1}$

At t = 35 seconds

c = 1002 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{7888}{1002} = \frac{7.87}{1002}$$

 $\rho = (.01407)(.002378) = (.00003343) \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $q = 1/2 (.00003343)(7888)^2 = 1040 lb./ft.^2$

At t = 39.167 seconds

c = 1086 ft./sec.
$$\underline{M} = \frac{10783}{1086} = 9.93$$

 $\rho = (.001967)(.002378) = .000004675 \frac{1b.sec.^2}{ft.^4}$
 $q = 1/2 (.000004675)(10783)^2 = 272 1b./ft.^2$

At t = 44.8 seconds

Too high an altitude for values to be significant.

NOTE: The values of density and speed of sound used above were interpolated from the Pratt and Whitney handbook.

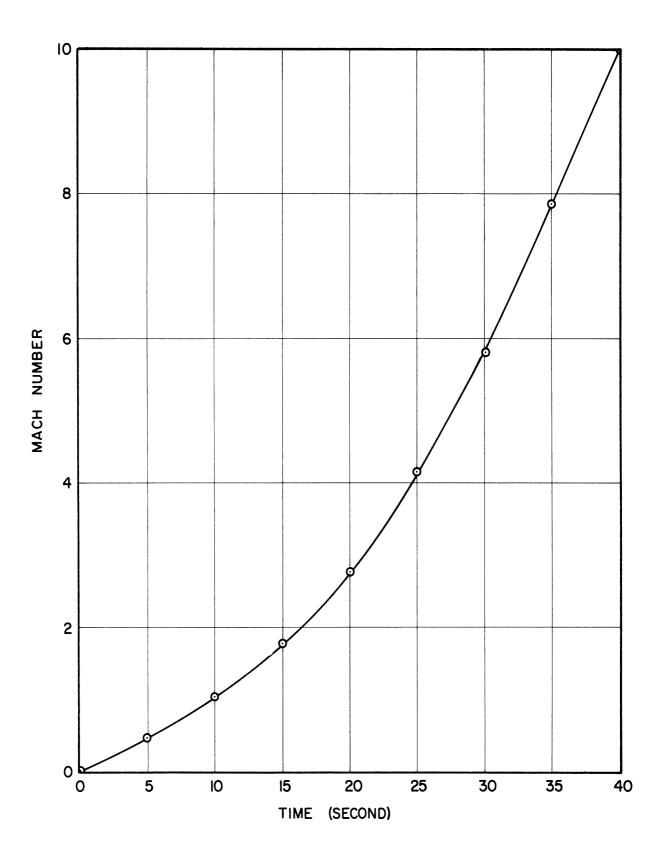


Figure 11. Mach Number Versus Time.

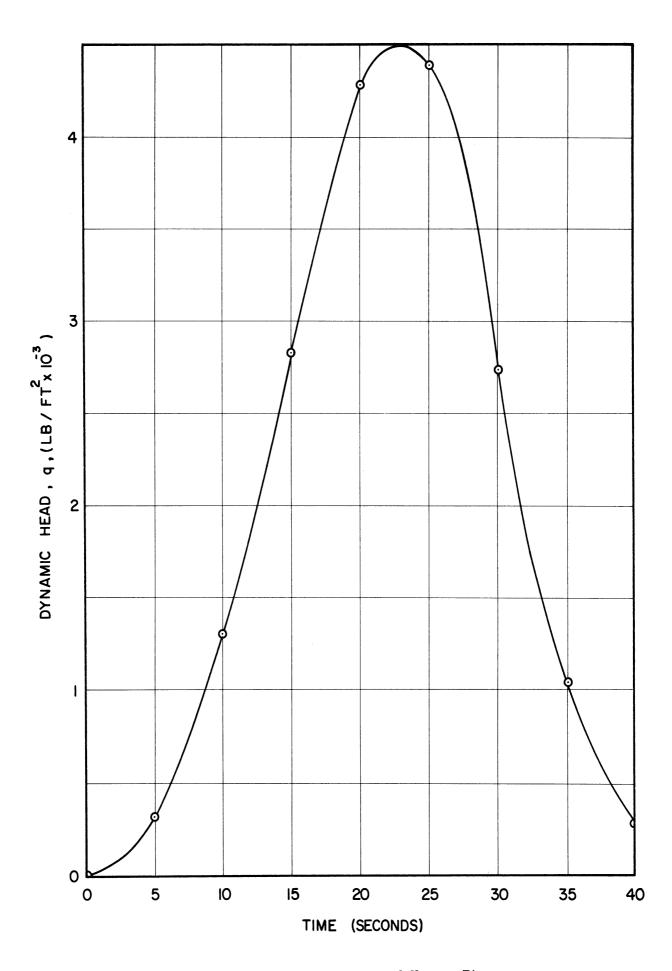


Figure 12. Dynamic Head Versus Time.

DRAG CALCULATION

As was specified, drag effects were ignored in the performance evaluation. Using the results of the performance evaluation the drag will now be calculated and the amount of additional fuel necessary to counteract the negative impulse due to the drag determined.

Assuming an $\ell/D = 3$ for the nose cone:

$$L = 40 + 3(3) = 49$$

Hence a characteristic dimension of 60' will be assumed in computing the Reynolds Number -- this should be conservative. The drag is given by the relationship:

$$D = q C_D S$$

where S will be conservatively assumed to be 7.1 square feet.

At t = 0 seconds

$$D = 0$$

$$\frac{At \quad t = 5 \quad \text{seconds}}{R_{e} \quad = \quad \frac{\rho V L}{U}}$$

so,

$$R_e = \frac{(.00229)(519)(60)}{3.693 \times 10^{-7}} = 193.2 \times 10^6$$

and from C_{D} plot handed out in class it can be seen that for a nose cone with $\ell/D = 3$:

$$C_D = .175$$

and then the drag may be evaluated:

$$\underline{D} = (.175)(7.10)(309) = \underline{383} \text{ lb}.$$

At t = 10 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.002024)(1183)(60)}{3.610 \times 10^{-7}} = 381 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .295$$

$$D = (.295)(7.10)(1300) = 2720 \text{ lb.}$$

At t = 15 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.001608)(1877)(60)}{3.453 \times 10^{-7}} = 525 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .255$$

$$D = (.255)(7.10)(2833) = 5130 \text{ lb.}$$

At t = 20 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.001085)(2809)(60)}{3.218 \times 10^{-7}} = 567 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .215$$

$$D = (.215)(7.10(4277) = 6530 \text{ lb.}$$

At t = 25 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.000547)(4010)(60)}{2.961 \times 10^{-7}} = 445 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .18$$

$$D = (.18)(7.10)(4395) = 5610 \text{ lb.}$$

At t = 30 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.0001738)(5619)(60)}{2.961 \times 10^{-7}} = 198 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .155$$

$$D = (.155)(7.10)(2745) = 3025 \text{ lb.}$$

At t = 35 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.00003343)(7888)(60)}{2.961 \times 10^{-7}} = 53 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .16$$

$$\underline{D} = (.16)(7.10)(1040) = \underline{1180 \text{ lb}}.$$

At
$$t = 39.167$$
 seconds

$$R_{e} = \frac{(.000004675)(10783)(60)}{4.032 \times 10^{-7}} = 7.48 \times 10^{6}$$

$$C_{D} = .19$$

$$D = (.19)(7.10)(272) = 366 \text{ lb.}$$

The total impulse (drag) is equivalent to 1.34 seconds of sea level thrust or an additional (1.34)(481.4) = 645 lb. of propellant. This impulse was obtained by integrating the area under the following curve.

ACCELERATION COMPUTATION

The accelerations may be computed by the second law credited to some obscure physicist. This was used in the derivation of the performance equations and is in general stated as:

$$T - D - W = \frac{W}{g}$$
 a

But as we are neglecting drag:

$$T - W = \frac{W}{g}$$
 a

$$a = \left[\frac{T}{W} - 1\right] g$$

and computing the accelerations:

At t = 0 seconds

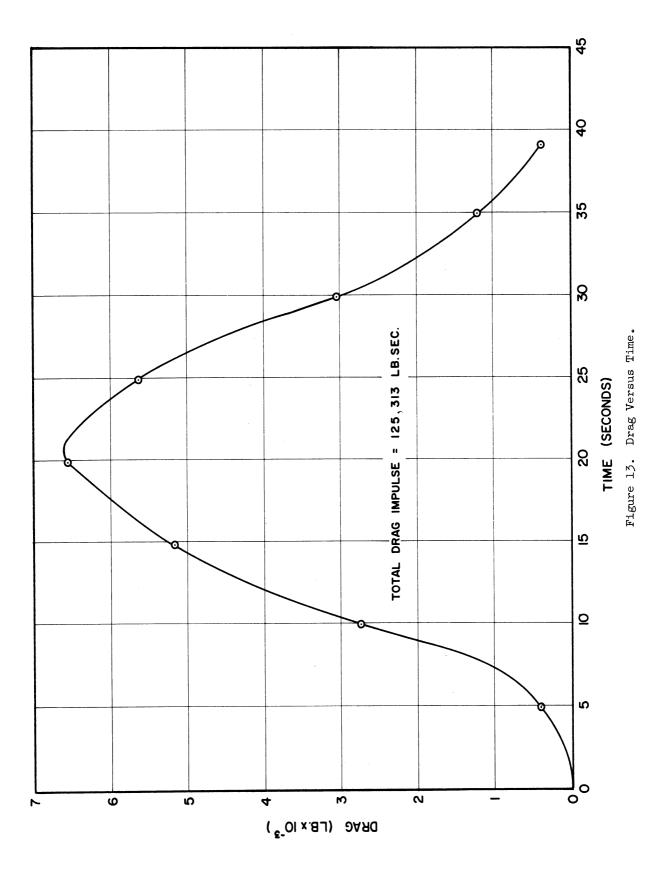
$$\underline{a} = \left[\frac{93,200}{23,295} - 1\right] g$$

$$= \left[4.00 - 1\right] g = \underline{3.0 g}$$

At t = 5 seconds

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = [\frac{94,630}{20,888} - 1] \text{ g}$$

$$= [4.53 - 1] \text{ g} = 3.53 \text{ g}$$



At t = 10 seconds

$$\underline{a} = \left[\frac{96,855}{18,455} - 1\right] g$$
$$= \left[5.25 - 1\right] g = 4.25 g$$

At t = 15 seconds

$$\underline{a} = [\frac{100,205}{16,045} - 1] g$$

$$= [6.25 - 1] g = 5.25 g$$

At t = 20 seconds

$$\underline{a} = \left[\frac{103,855}{13,555} - 1\right] g$$

$$= \left[7.66 - 1\right] g = 6.66 g$$

At t = 25 seconds

$$\frac{a}{11,075} = \left[\frac{107,044}{11,075} - 1\right] g$$

$$= \left[9.67 - 1\right] g = 8.67 g$$

At t = 30 seconds

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = [\frac{109,263}{8585} - 1] \text{ g}$$

$$= [12.73 - 1] \text{ g} = \underline{11.73 \text{ g}}$$

At t = 35 seconds

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = \left[\frac{110,771}{6055} - 1\right] g$$

$$= \left[18.3 - 1\right] g = \underline{17.3} g$$

At t = 39.15 seconds

$$\frac{a}{3935} = [\frac{111,400}{3935} - 1] g$$

$$= [28.3 - 1] g = \underline{27.3 g}$$

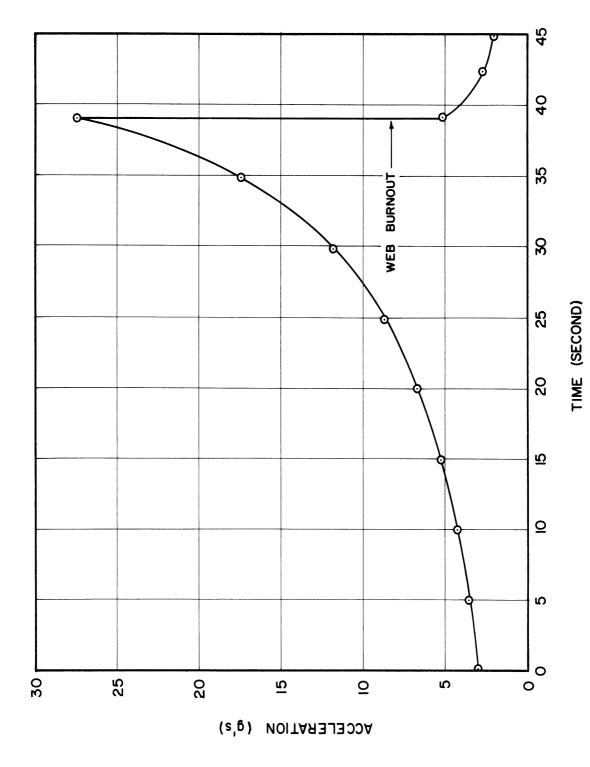


Figure 14. Rocket Acceleration as a Function of Time.

At
$$t = 39.167$$
 seconds

$$\underline{\mathbf{a}} = [\frac{23,630}{3930} - 1] \text{ g}$$

$$= [6.02 - 1] \text{ g} = 5.02 \text{ g}$$

At t = 42.5 seconds

$$\frac{a}{3620} = \left[\frac{13,200}{3620} - 1\right] g$$

$$= \left[3.65 - 1\right] g = 2.65 g$$

At t = 44.8 seconds

$$\underline{a} = [\frac{10,480}{3545} - 1] g$$

$$= [2.96 - 1] g = 1.96 g$$

DISCUSSION OF STORAGE TERM

As stated on Page the basic differential equation governing continuity in solid propellant rockets is:

$$A_{\mathbf{c}} r \rho_{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{d}{dt} (\rho_{\mathbf{c}} V_{\mathbf{c}}) + \frac{\gamma_{\mathbf{M}_{t}} A_{t} P_{t}}{a_{t}}$$

and the mass flow out the nozzle can also be written as:

$$\frac{\gamma M_t A_t P_t}{a_t} = \Gamma' \frac{P_c A_t}{a_c}$$

where:

$$\Gamma' = \Gamma \sqrt{\gamma} = \gamma (\frac{2}{\gamma+1})^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}}$$

and introducing the equation of state:

$$P_{c} = \rho_{c}RT_{c}$$

and defining the abbreviation:

$$P_p = \rho_p RT_c$$

The equation becomes:

$$A_c r \frac{P_P}{RT_c} = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{P_c V_c}{RT_c} \right) + \Gamma^{\dagger} \frac{P_c A_t}{a_c}$$

assuming
$$T_c$$
 is constant:

$$A_c r P_P = \frac{d}{dt} (P_c V_c) + \Gamma^{\dagger} \frac{P_c A_t R T_c}{a_c}$$

$$= \frac{d}{dt} (P_c V_c) + \Gamma P_c A_t \sqrt{R T_c} *$$

now consider the storage term:

$$V_{\mathbf{c}} = V_{\mathbf{c}_{0}} + \int_{0}^{t} \mathbf{r} A_{\mathbf{c}} dt$$

$$\frac{dV_{\mathbf{c}}}{dt} = \mathbf{r} A_{\mathbf{c}}$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dt} (P_e V_e) = P_e \frac{dV_e}{dt} + V_e \frac{dP_e}{dt}$$
$$= P_e r A_e + V_e \frac{dP_e}{dt}$$

so the equation can be written:

$$V_{c} \frac{dP_{c}}{dt} = A_{c}r (P_{P}-P_{c}) - \Gamma P_{c}A_{t} \sqrt{RT_{c}}$$

$$= \frac{A_{c}}{A_{t}} \left\{ r(P_{P}-P_{c})A_{t} - \Gamma P_{c} \frac{A_{t}^{2}}{A_{c}} \sqrt{RT_{c}} \right\}$$

$$= A_{c} \left\{ r(P_{P}-P_{c}) - \Gamma P_{c} \frac{A_{t}}{A_{c}} \sqrt{RT_{c}} \right\}$$

Now, introduce the expression for the burning rate:

$$r = a P_c^n$$

Then, the equation becomes:

$$V_c \frac{dP_c}{dt} = A_c \left\{ aP_c^n (P_P - P_c) - \Gamma P \frac{A_t}{A_c} \sqrt{RT_c} \right\}$$

Now, P_c can be neglected in comparison to P_P in the term $(P_P - P_c)$ as P_P is of the order of a hundred times as large (i.e., for asphalt potassium perchlorate propellants it is 125,000 PSI and for ballistite it is 230,000 PSI) - then:

$$V_c = \frac{dP_c}{dt} = A_c \left\{ aP_P P_c^n - \Gamma P_c = \frac{A_t}{A_c} \sqrt{RT_c} \right\}$$

and it can be seen that the above equation is not easily solvable for P_c . Consider now the case of equilibrium neutral burning so $dP_c/dt=0$, then:

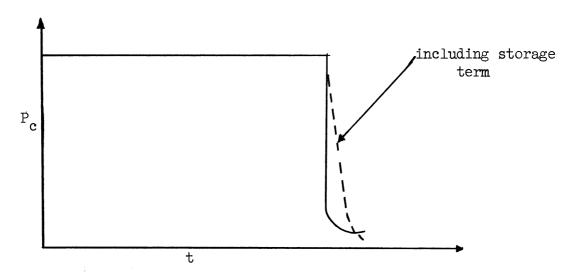
$$aA_{c}P_{p}P_{c}^{n} = \Gamma P_{c} \frac{A_{t}}{A_{c}} \sqrt{RT_{c}} \cdot A_{c}$$

$$P_{c}^{1-n} = \frac{aA_{c}P_{p}}{\Gamma \frac{A_{t}}{A_{c}} \cdot A_{c} \sqrt{RT_{c}}}$$

$$= \frac{aA_{c}P_{p}}{\Gamma A_{t} \sqrt{RT_{c}}}$$

now consider the equation when the storage term is neglected:

so it can be seen that neglecting the storage term will have no effect on the pressure solution as long as there is neutral burning $(dP_c/dt=0)$ -- hence it would have negligible effect on the pressure trace of this design up to the point of web burnout. At web burnout its effect would be as shown in the sketch below:



That is, it would not allow an instantaneous change in pressure - consequently the rocket would maintain a higher thrust level but burn out sooner.

DETERMINATION OF VELOCITY AT END OF GRAIN

The maximum velocity at the back of the grain will occur at the instant of starting as the mass flow is relatively constant, actually increasing slightly for the first 39.167 seconds of burning -- but, the port area is increasing more rapidly so the critical time will be starting.

The mass flow is given by:

$$\hat{m} = \rho_c A_p V = 481.4 \text{ lb./sec.}$$
 $A_p = 1018 - 770.63 = 247.37 \text{ in.}^2 = 1.718 \text{ ft.}^2$

where:

and from the equation of state:

$$\rho_{c} = \frac{P_{c}}{RT} = \frac{(1000)(144) \text{ lb.} \, ^{\circ}\text{R lb.}}{(\frac{1544}{22})(3160) \text{ ft.lb.} \, ^{\circ}\text{R ft.}^{2}}$$

$$= .649 \text{ lb./ft.}^{3}$$

Hence,

$$V = \frac{481.4 \text{ lb. ft.}^3}{(649)(1.718) \text{ sec.lb.ft.}^2} = 432 \text{ ft./sec.}$$

and this velocity will vary linearly to its value of 0 at the front of grain.

COMPARISON WITH LIQUID PROPELLANT ROCKET DESIGN **

| Comparison | Liquid | Solid |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Payload Weight - 1bs. | 125 * | 125 |
| Lift-Off Weight - 1bs. | 25.000 | 23,295 |
| Mass Ratio | 20/1 | 6.58/1 |
| Lift-Off g Loading | 2. 95 | 4.0 |
| Maximum Acceleration | 3 8.65 g | 27 .3 g |
| Burn-Out Velocity - ft./sec. | 16,151 | 11,474 |
| Burn-Out Altitude - ft. | 326,29 8 | 247,409 |
| Summit Altitude - ft. | 5.7 3 x 10 ⁶ | 2.64 x 10 ⁶ |

^{*} Although 125 lb. was the specified payload weight the design analysis showed that this figure could be easily doubled for the performance shown above as there was a weight margin of 404.5 lb.

From the above comparison it is obvious that the liquid propellant design is the better of the two. The two things that hurt the solid design most are high motor weight and unburned propellant. The high motor weight is due to two factors: 1) the high thrust level necessary to attain a 4g lift-off, and 2) the relatively high ratio of motor weight

^{**} The comparison presented above between the Liquid Motor System and Solid Motor System uses a liquid motor design comparable to the one presented here but different in detail. The comments are pertinent.

to thrust produced, which is necessary as there is no way to cool the motor. Although the unburned propellant only represented 3.53% of the volume of the propellant chamber it contributed 965 lb. of dead weight which severely hampers the performance. It would be an interesting study to consider other grain configurations to minimize this factor.

SUMMARY

The design of a solid propellant rocket to meet the specifications listed on Page was carried out. Preliminary calculations were based on a loading (or packing) fraction of .80. After consideration of several grain configurations the five spoke wagon wheel was chosen as it provided a nearly neutral burning configuration that would meet the lift-off requirements for a fairly high packing fraction. An analytic procedure was developed to determine the optimum sizing of the wagon wheel to meet the thrust requirements. An analytic procedure was also determined to compute the burning perimeter as it was felt that this would be more accurate than graphical methods. From this procedure the chamber pressure can be determined as a function of time and the performance then analyzed.

The performance analysis was carried out ignoring drag effects as was specified. The total negative impulse due to drag was computed (with aid of the "rambler" ${\rm C}_{\rm D}$ plots) and the amount of propellant necessary to counteract this impulse at sea level thrust conditions specified.

The results of the performance calculations were plotted and are included in the previous pages.

Although this is at best a rough analysis as it does not consider such things as heat transfer or propellant stability it is hoped that some of the methods of analysis presented herein would be useful in the more thorough consideration of more sophisticated systems such as grain designs to increase propellant utilization and determination of optimum g-take-off conditions.