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ABSTRACT

This report presents heat-transfer measurements made on a typical satellite configuration in testing environments which simulate conditions at approximately 60 miles altitude, depending on full-scale vehicle size and the particular simulation parameter chosen. The total heating loads to various individual segments of the complete model are tabulated, and a heat-transfer distribution is proposed on the basis of the experimental results. Also reported are measurements on the effect of the extent of a cooled shroud on the heat transfer to a disk normal to the flow.
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NOMENCLATURE

A Area
a Extent of shroud (see Fig. 9)
C∞ = μw T∞ / μ∞ Tw
D Diameter
d Diameter of probe stem (see Fig. 6)
FM Free molecular theory
H0 Total enthalpy
HW Model wall enthalpy
K Thermal conductivity
Kn∞ Knudsen number in free stream
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<td>L</td>
<td>Total length of model</td>
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<td>ℓ</td>
<td>Distance between thermocouples (see Fig. 6)</td>
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\( \mu_w \) \hspace{1cm} \text{Viscosity evaluated at } T_w \\
\( \mu_\infty \) \hspace{1cm} \text{Viscosity evaluated at } T_\infty \\
\rho_2 \hspace{1cm} \text{Density behind normal shock} \\
\rho_\infty \hspace{1cm} \text{Free-stream density}
SECTION I
INTRODUCTION

The prediction of the forces and heating loads encountered during the flight of a satellite in a highly eccentric orbit is a problem difficult to solve by analytic means. The flow conditions may span the whole regime, from free molecular to continuum flow. From a computational standpoint, the most uncertain is the transitional flow regime between these two extremes. There are two motives for obtaining experimental data in this flow regime; first, the heating load to a typical vehicle configuration can be inferred from direct experimental measurements performed on a model under suitably controlled conditions, and, secondly, experimental data provide a guide for the development of theoretical methods of predictions.

The experimental heat-transfer data reported here were measured on a model of a typical low-earth-orbit satellite vehicle at simulated altitudes of 308,000 and 330,000 ft (based on an assumed 6-ft-diam full-scale body and matching of Kn values). Specifically, the shape consisted of a 10-deg spherically blunted cone followed by a 20-deg cone frustum, and a cylindrical afterbody. This model is shown in Fig. 1.

As an additional part of the test, the heat transfer to a shrouded disk was also investigated. This configuration is shown in Fig. 2. The shroud was progressively removed so that the effect of the amount of shroud extension could be obtained. Figure 3 is a photograph of the models. Force measurements have been previously reported for the satellite model in Ref. 1.

SECTION II
APPARATUS

2.1 WIND TUNNEL

The low density hypervelocity tunnel (Gas Dynamic Wind Tunnel, Hypersonic (L)) used to obtain these data is a continuous-type, arc-heated tunnel, using nitrogen for this particular test. A complete description is given in Appendix I together with the operational capabilities.
2.2 TEST CONDITIONS

The flow conditions used in these tests are tabulated in Table 1. The two axisymmetric nozzles used to produce these flows are contoured and have gradient-free test sections. This uniform-flow portion of the nozzle is approximately 2 in. in diameter and 6 in. long for the higher Reynolds number nozzle. The two particular test conditions were chosen primarily because of the variation of Knudsen number represented (approximately a factor of three).

2.3 ALTITUDE SIMULATION

Figure 4 gives the altitude (using atmospheric data from Ref. 2) simulated by the satellite model at the present test conditions when Kn, is matched. Figure 5 shows the altitude as a function of vehicle diameter and the viscous interaction parameter, $M_{\infty}\sqrt{C_{\infty}}/Re_{\infty, L}$, along with the value of this parameter for the two test conditions. Additionally, it may be calculated that the altitude simulation, based on matching $Re_{\infty}$, $Re_{n}$ for an assumed 6-ft-diam full-scale satellite, corresponded to heights of 340,000 and 318,000 ft above Earth for flow conditions I and II, respectively. The cold-wall condition ($T_{W} << T_{0}$), so important in tests of this type, also was effectively simulated.

2.4 MODELS

Several models were used to obtain the data reported herein. The individual models were designed so that the heat flux which entered a specified portion of the model was constrained to flow through a constant-diameter cylindrical stem in order to reach the cooling water jacket (see Fig. 6). The heat flux was then obtained by measuring the steady-state temperature gradient along this stem with two thermocouples. Four separate satellite models were used, all with the same overall configuration, but each with a different extent of the forebody instrumented to give the cumulative heating load from the nose back to a particular location. Sketches showing the instrumented sections of these models are shown in Figs. 6 and 7.

For the shrouded disk model, the same basic instrumentation scheme was followed, but only one model was used, with the shroud being progressively removed so that the data obtained constituted a parametric study of the effect of shrouding. The internal arrangement and various configurations of this model are shown in Figs. 8 and 9. It should be noted that the shroud was cooled (cf Fig. 8).
SECTION III
EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

The various models (see Figs. 7 and 9) were each installed in the test section, and the temperature data were recorded after a steady-state condition had been attained. The time required for steady-state temperatures to be realized was from 10 to 30 sec. These temperatures were recorded, approximately one set per minute for from 10 to 20 min, to ensure that the data were consistent and to determine if a dependency on time of exposure existed. It was observed that the probe accumulated foreign matter during testing, which consistently increased the measured heating rate to a maximum after about 40 min. Cleaning the probe removed the accumulation and restored the data to their initial values. Inasmuch as the rate of change was much less than the time needed to acquire the initial, "nearly clean" data, the probe was cleaned often, and the data reported are for a nominally clean copper surface.

The heat flow was restrained to be essentially one-dimensional along the stem where the temperatures were measured (see Figs. 6 and 8). Thus, the magnitude of the heat flux could be determined directly from the temperature difference, i.e.,

$$Q = KA \frac{dT}{dx} = \frac{K \pi d^2}{4} \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\ell}$$

The stem diameter, $d$, and the distance between thermocouples, $\ell$, were carefully measured during probe construction, and the conductivity, $K$, of high-purity copper was taken from Fig. 10 with the material temperature taken to be $(T_1 + T_2)/2$.

The next step in the data reduction procedure was to determine the heat flux to a completely cold-wall model ($T_w = 0^\circ R$). This was done by estimating the actual wall temperature of the model (by extrapolating the known stem temperatures to the nose) and then increasing the measured heat flux by $1/(1 - T_w/T_0)$ which was approximately $1/0.85$ for all models. This is the quantity plotted in Figs. 11 and 12 and also tabulated in Tables II and III. These figures and tables present the measured results of the test, adjusted to the cold-wall condition. In each case $Q$ represents the total heating rate to all portions of the model forward of the station for which $Q$ is given.

In this report comparisons of the data with earlier theories and data involve making use of the heat flux distributions around simple axisymmetric bodies given in Ref. 4 for a hypersonic, continuum flow.
For the first model (spherical nose segment) it was assumed that the
distribution given by Lees was valid. Thus,

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{q}_0 \int_{A_{\text{res}}} \dot{q}/\dot{q}_0 \, dA$$

or

$$\frac{\dot{Q}}{\dot{q}_0 2\pi R_n^2} = \int_0^{\theta_0} \frac{\dot{q}}{\dot{q}_0} \sin \theta \, d\theta$$

The right-hand side can be found from Ref. 4 and is shown in Fig. 13.
Because $\dot{Q}$ is the quantity measured, a value for the stagnation point
heat flux, $\dot{q}_0$, can be found. This is nondimensionalized by a computed
value of $\dot{q}_{0f}$ (Ref. 5) and then compared with previously obtained data
and several theories in Fig. 14. The agreement is satisfactory.

This quantity, $\dot{q}_0$, is also used in Figs. 15 and 16, where $\dot{Q}/\dot{q}_0 2\pi R_n^2$
is plotted as a function of distance along the body. This yields the
discrete points. The broken lines connecting the points represent an
attempt to show the most probable distribution of body heating rate.

These tentative distributions were obtained by first assuming that
Lees' distribution (as shown in Fig. 17) is valid for the spherical
segment-cone portion. This forces the curve to pass through zero at
$x/L = 0$ and through the first data point (the second point plotted), so
that agreement with the second data point (third point plotted) is the
only experimental check on the assumed distribution. As shown in
Figs. 15 and 16, this agreement is good.

To find an approximate distribution between the second and third
data points, it was assumed that the flow past the 20-deg cone section
was similar to the flow past a hypothetical, spherically capped 20-deg
cone frustum as given by Fig. 17. The actual physical distance along
the surface of the cone between the two data points was retained, but
the theoretically based broken curve was forced to pass through the
third data point. Again, the agreement between the second data point
and the broken line is the only criterion for the validity of the assumed
distribution. The degree of agreement may be assessed by inspecting
Figs. 15 and 16.

For the distribution along the cylindrical portion, the distribution
was assumed to vary as $\dot{q}/\dot{q}_0 = C \sqrt{x/L}$ (the flat-plate law), with the
constant chosen to force agreement at both the third and fourth data
points.

It should be emphasized that the distribution of heat flux depicted
by the broken lines on Figs. 15 and 16, although it appears tenable, is
not necessarily valid and was not measured. This, however, in no way invalidates the points, shown in the same figures, which were measured.

In Fig. 18, the measured total heat flux to the disk without the shroud ($a = 0$) is compared with previous data. Since the previous data represent measurements made on models with the sensing element diameter equal to the cylinder diameter, and since in the present case the sensing element diameter is slightly less than the nose diameter, this comparison (Fig. 18) is not entirely appropriate. Another difference in model configuration is that the present model has a 30-deg bevel on the rim (see Fig. 9). Both of these differences would tend to reduce heating rate to the present nose configuration, as shown qualitatively in Fig. 18.

It might be noted that the Teflon® insulation on this particular configuration ablated slightly during the acquisition of these data. This ablation slightly changed the configuration but should not have affected the reported data, since the products of ablation were swept away from the sensing surface.

SECTION IV
CONCLUSIONS

Heat-transfer measurements have been made on a satellite-type model in a test environment which simulates an altitude of roughly 60 miles for a full-scale vehicle. The data obtained should prove useful as a check on theoretical calculations which attempt to predict heat-transfer distributions in this flow regime. The results agree quite well with previous data, where comparisons are available, i.e., for the hemispherical nose cap. Marked influence of flow rarefaction was found.

The measurements for the shrouded disk show that, for this configuration in the present test environment, the flow is not sufficiently rarefied for the concept of accommodation coefficient to be meaningfully applied. A shroud extension of one body diameter reduced the heating rate of the flat nose to approximately $1/8$ of the value for no shroud in these tests.
REFERENCES


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Fig. 2 Shrouded Disk
Fig. 3 Photograph of Test Models
Fig. 4 Altitude versus Satellite Diameter for Knudsen Number Simulation
Fig. 5 Altitude versus Viscous Interaction Parameter for Various Satellite Diameters

$u_\infty = 26,000$ ft/sec
Full Scale
$D, ft = 12, 10, 8, 6$
Fig. 6 Sketch of Model with Spherical Cap Forebody

Fig. 7 Forebodies Used to Obtain Segments of Total Heating Distribution
Fig. 8 Sketch of Shrouded Disk Probe

Fig. 9 Progressive Removal of Shroud
Fig. 10 Thermal Conductivity of Copper
Fig. 11 Measured Heat Flux Referenced to Cold Wall
Fig. 12 Measured Heat Flux to Shrouded Disk Referenced to Cold Wall
Fig. 13  Total Heating Rate to a Spherical Segment

From Ref. 4
- Refs. 8 and 9, $M_\infty = 10$, $\rho_\infty/\rho_2 = 0.175$
- Normalized to Fay-Riddell (Ref. 5)
- Present Data

Present Approximate Correction for $\rho_\infty/\rho_2 = 0.175$

- Probstein and Kemp (Ref. 6) for $\rho_\infty/\rho_2 = 0.1$

- Approximate Adjustments of Theories of Refs. 6 and 7 to $\rho_\infty/\rho_2 = 0.175$ by Method Described in Appendix II

Fig. 14 Comparison of Present Data with Previous Data and Theories
Fig. 15 Distribution of Heating Rate to Satellite Model: Condition I
Fig. 16 Distribution of Heating Rate to Satellite Model: Condition II
Fig. 17 Total Heating Rate to a Spherically Blunted Cone
Free Molecular Theory for High $M_\infty$ and $H_w \rightarrow 0$

Theory (Ref. 4) for High $Re_2$

Data from Previous Investigation, $M_\infty = 9.1$ to 10.5, $H_w/H_o = 0.12$ (Ref. 9)

Data from Present Investigation

Fig. 18 Heat-Transfer Rate to a Flat Nose
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### TABLE III

**MEASURED VALUES OF HEATING RATE TO SHROUDED DISK, REFERENCED TO COLD WALL**

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<td>( D )</td>
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<td>( D/2 )</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>0.00648</td>
<td>0.00789</td>
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APPENDIX I  
TUNNEL L

TUNNEL DESCRIPTION

Tunnel L, shown in Fig. I-1, is a low density, hypersonic, continuous-type, arc-heated, ejector-pumped facility, normally using nitrogen or argon as the test gas and consisting of the following major components, in streamwise order:

1. Continuous, water-cooled, d-c arc heater, Thermal Dynamics Corporation Model F-40 or U-50, both modified slightly, with a 40-kw selenium rectifier power supply. Gas is injected without swirl in the F-40 arc heater and with or without swirl in the U-50 unit. Unless otherwise noted, all testing is done without use of swirling gas injection.

2. Cylindrical, water-cooled settling section of variable size, but normally of 3-in. diameter and 6- to 10-in. length.

3. Axisymmetric, aerodynamic nozzle, variable sizes with 0.10- to 1.20-in.-diam throats and 2.0- to 8.2-in.-diam exits. Three contoured nozzles having no flow gradients in the test section are currently available, in addition to older conical nozzles. Table I-1 gives the major characteristics of the contoured nozzles.

4. Cylindrical test section tank of 48-in. diameter surrounding the test section and containing instrumentation, cooling water connections, and probe carrier.

5. Axisymmetric diffuser with interchangeable designs for varying test conditions, convergent entrance, constant-area throat, divergent exit sections, and water-cooled entrance.


7. Isolation valve.

8. Air ejector of two stages.

9. Connection to the VKF evacuated, 200,000-cu-ft, spherical vacuum reservoir and its pumping system.

All critical components of the tunnel and related systems are protected by back-side water cooling. The two-stage ejector system is driven by air instead of steam because of the ready availability of high pressure air at the tunnel site. Although the working gas is normally
nitrogen or argon, other gases may be used. Typical ranges of operation with heated flow are given in Table I-2, and unheated-flow operational ranges are given in Table I-3. The first published description of this tunnel appeared in Ref. I-1.

TUNNEL INSTRUMENTATION AND CALIBRATION

Gas flow rate to the arc heater is measured through use of calibrated sonic-flow orifices, and reservoir pressure is measured with a Consolidated Electrodynamics Corporation Electromanometer®. Inaccuracy of these systems, on the basis of comparison with other means of measurement, and repeatability, is estimated to be less than ±0.5 percent for both flow rate and reservoir pressure.

Total enthalpy at the nozzle throat is determined by use of a calorimeter which, on the basis of comparison of results and repeatability, appears accurate to within ±4 percent limits of error. This measurement is supplemented by a probe system which measures local total enthalpy and mass flux in the test section with an estimated error limit of ±2 percent for mass flux and ±5 percent for enthalpy.

Impact pressures are measured with variable reluctance, differential pressure transducers and water-cooled probes. Calibration of the transducers is accomplished by means of an oil-filled micro-manometer and a McLeod gage. Inaccuracy in impact pressure measurement is believed not to exceed ±2 percent limits. Static pressures are measured by the same method, but are not used for primary calibration purposes because of the very large corrections for viscous and rarefied flow phenomena.

The establishment of reservoir conditions, determination of impact pressures, and proof of inviscid, adiabatic core flow through the nozzles form part of the flow calibration. This information is used in a calculation which accounts for nonequilibrium expansion of the gas throughout the nozzle to yield the needed flow properties. References I-2 through I-7 contain information on various aspects of these measurements.

A three-component balance is used for measuring lift, drag, and pitching moment on aerodynamic bodies in Tunnel L. This is described in Ref. I-8.
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Fig. 1-1 Low Density Hypersonic Wind Tunnel L (January 1966)
APPENDIX II

EFFECT OF DENSITY RATIO ON SECOND-ORDER STAGNATION REGION HEATING RATE AND SKIN FRICTION

By
J. Leith Potter

Various authors (e.g., Refs. II-1 through II-4) have published results of analyses giving blunt-body stagnation region heating rate and skin friction under rarefied hypersonic flow conditions. Usually the numerical results are presented for some specific shock-crossing density ratio, $\epsilon$, where

$$\epsilon = \frac{\rho_\infty}{\rho_2}$$

and it is difficult to determine what the ratios $\dot{q}/\dot{q}_{BL}$ or $\tau/\tau_{BL}$ would be if calculated for different values of $\epsilon$. This note is appended to give a description of a method devised to enable quick conversions from given numerical results for one value of $\epsilon$ to results for another $\epsilon$. It must be emphasized that this conversion assumes constant values of $Re_2$ and $T_W/T_O$ in the conversion, and it further assumes the same hypersonic blunt body (strong-shock) approximations used in the basic analyses referenced.

Considering that the result of Probstein and Kemp (Ref. II-1), or similar results, can be expressed as

$$\frac{(\dot{q} - \dot{q}_{BL})}{\dot{q}_{BL}} = k_1 \Omega - k_2 \Omega^2 + \ldots$$

it follows that

$$\frac{(\dot{q} - \dot{q}_{BL})_1}{\dot{q}_{BL}} = \frac{\Omega_1}{\Omega_2} \left( \frac{1 - (k_2/k_1) \Omega_1}{1 - (k_2/k_1) \Omega_2} \right)$$

Then, to first order in $\Omega$,

$$\frac{(\dot{q} - \dot{q}_{BL})_1}{\dot{q}_{BL}} = \frac{\Omega_1}{\Omega_2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (II-1)

From Ho and Probstein (Ref. II-2),

$$\Omega = \frac{(1 - 8\epsilon/3)}{(2\epsilon)^{1/2} (8\epsilon/3)^{1/4}} \left( \frac{\rho_w \mu_w}{\rho_2 \mu_2} \right)^{3/2} \left( \frac{1 - \epsilon}{Re_2^{1/2}} \right)^{1/2}$$  \hspace{1cm} (II-2)

But

$$\left( \frac{\rho_w \mu_w}{\rho_2 \mu_2} \right)^{3/2} = \left( \frac{p_w}{p_2} \right)^{3/2} \left( \frac{T_w}{T_2} \frac{T_0}{T_w} \right)^{-1/2}$$

*See nomenclature at end of appendix.
and, for $1.67 \geq \gamma \geq 1.2$, i.e., the range of interest here, with constant $T_w/T_0$, as specified in the beginning,

$$\left(\frac{\rho_w \mu_w}{\rho_2 \mu_2}\right)^{1/2} = \text{const.}$$

Hence, from Eqs. (II-1) and (II-2), with $Re_2$ also held constant,

$$\frac{\dot{q} - \dot{q}_\text{BL}}{\dot{q}_\text{BL}} = \frac{1 - 8 \epsilon_3/3}{1 - 8 \epsilon_3/3} \left(\frac{\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_1}\right)^{5/4} \left(\frac{1 - \epsilon_1}{1 - \epsilon_2}\right)^{1/4}$$  \hspace{1cm} (II-3)

The quantity $(1 - 8 \epsilon_3/3)(1 - \epsilon)^{1/2}/\epsilon^{5/4}$ is plotted in Fig. II-1 where, for example, it may be found that

$$\frac{(\dot{q} - \dot{q}_\text{BL})_{\epsilon=0.175}}{(\dot{q} - \dot{q}_\text{BL})_{\epsilon=0.100}} = 0.35$$

It is interesting to note that Van Dyke (Ref. II-3) found the influence of vorticity to vary as $\epsilon^{-5/4}$, curvature as $\epsilon^{-3/4}$ and slip and temperature jump as $\epsilon^{1/4}$. The present result, for $0.075 \leq \epsilon \leq 0.25$ is approximately $\Omega - \epsilon^{-5/2}$.

In view of the nature of the correction, it seems suitable for application to the results given in any of the references. Also, while the heat-transfer rate has been considered in the foregoing development, the relation derived could be used for skin friction coefficients just as well.

**APPENDIX II**

**NOMENCLATURE**

- $k$: Constant
- $p_0$: Pressure at stagnation point on body
- $\dot{q}$: Heat-transfer rate, Btu/ft$^2$-sec
- $Re_2$: Reynolds number based on flow immediately behind assumed Rankine-Hugoniot normal shock wave and nose radius of curvature
- $T$: Temperature
- $\gamma$: Ratio of specific heats
- $\epsilon$: $\rho_\infty/\rho_2$
- $\mu$: Coefficient of viscosity
\( \rho \)  
Mass density

\( \tau \)  
Skin friction, lbf/ft\(^2\)

\( \Omega \)  
See Eq. (II-2)

\( \omega \)  
Exponent in the relation \( \mu \sim T^\omega \)

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Condition immediately behind Rankine-Hugoniot normal shock wave

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Condition on surface of body

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Fig. II-1 Function of Density Ratio

\[ (1 - 8\epsilon/3)(1 - \epsilon)^{1/2}/\epsilon^{5/4} \]
This report presents heat-transfer measurements made on a typical satellite configuration in testing environments which simulate conditions at approximately 60 miles altitude, depending on full-scale vehicle size and the particular simulation parameter chosen. The total heating loads to various individual segments of the complete model are tabulated, and a heat-transfer distribution is proposed on the basis of the experimental results. Also reported are measurements on the effect of the extent of a cooled shroud on the heat transfer to a disk normal to the flow.
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