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SUMMARY

An approximate method for the development of flow and thermal boundary layers in the laminar regime on cylinders with arbitrary cross section and transpiration-cooled walls is obtained by the use of von Kármán's integrated momentum equation and an analogous heat-flow equation. Incompressible flow with constant property values throughout the boundary layer is assumed. The velocity and temperature profiles within the boundary layer are approximated by expressions composed of trigonometric functions. Shape parameters for these profiles and functions necessary for the solution of the boundary-layer equations are presented as graphs so that the calculation for any specific case is reduced to the solution of two first-order differential equations.

The method is applied to determine local heat-transfer coefficients and surface temperatures in the laminar flow region of transpiration-cooled turbine blades for a given coolant flow rate, or to calculate the coolant flow distribution which is necessary in order to keep the blade temperature uniform along the surface.

INTRODUCTION

Transpiration cooling is a very effective means for keeping surfaces which are subject to a hot gas stream at a low temperature. For use of this method, the surface is fabricated from a porous material and a cooling fluid is blown through the pores. Along the outside surface the cooling fluid builds a film which insulates the wall from the hot gas stream. The transpiration-cooling method may be applied to the cooling of structural parts in propulsion systems such as gas-turbine blades, combustion-chamber walls, and rocket nozzles. If a heated fluid is blown through the porous wall, the same method may be used to keep the surface temperature of the wall at a value which is higher than the temperature in the outside flow. In this way, it may be applied for de-icing of wings and other parts of airplanes and in the propulsion system.
This report presents a method by which the heat transfer connected with transpiration cooling in two-dimensional laminar flow around bodies of arbitrary cross section can be calculated. It considers only the case where the fluid blown through the porous wall is the same as the one in the outside flow. Although the particular application considered in this report is the cooling of turbine blades, the method itself may be applied to other applications as well. The procedure by which the calculation may be carried out for any particular application is described in an appendix in this report.

The determination of the heat transfer is based on the calculation of the thermal boundary layer which builds up around any body in a flow field. This thermal boundary layer is interconnected with the flow boundary layer for variable fluid properties or superimposed on the velocity boundary layer when the properties are independent of temperature. The build-up of the flow boundary layer is determined by the pressure distribution around the body under consideration. For the type of pressure distribution occurring in the aforementioned applications, only approximate methods of calculation are straightforward enough for engineering purposes. For the determination of the thermal boundary layer in particular, two types of approach are known.

The first approach was introduced by Kroujiline for the calculation of heat transfer on solid surfaces and presented in more detail by Frösling and others (reference 1). In this method, the flow boundary layer has to be known before the thermal boundary layer can be calculated.

Usually the method, as introduced by von Kármán (reference 2) and Pohlhausen (reference 3), which fulfills the integrated momentum equation of the boundary layer, is applied for the calculation of the flow boundary layer. More recently, Wieghardt and Walz (reference 4) have used, in addition to the momentum equation, an integrated energy equation and Tetervin and Lin (reference 5) have introduced a still more general integral condition for the boundary layer which may be used in such calculations. The use of these expressions gives better agreement with exact calculations and with measurements in special cases, particularly in regions where the pressure increases in flow direction. Since, in the application considered, the regions of most concern are those where the pressure decreases, the integrated momentum equation, which is simplest to handle, will be used. Schlichting (reference 6) used this equation to calculate the flow boundary layer on a porous surface through which fluid is sucked in order to keep the boundary layer laminar or to prevent flow separation. A paper by Dorodnitzyn (reference 7) extended the method to include the effect of Mach number and of variable property values. However, this extension is developed only for zero heat transfer. The calculation of the flow boundary layer in this report will essentially follow Schlichting's approach.
After the flow boundary layer is determined, the thermal boundary layer can be calculated according to the method of Kroujiline by use of an integrated heat-flow equation. Velocity profiles known from the calculation of the flow boundary layer and temperature profiles within the boundary layer whose shapes are approximated by a polynomial expression are introduced into this heat-flow equation and the equation is solved for the thickness ratio of the thermal boundary layer to the flow boundary layer (reference 1). This procedure, however, becomes quite lengthy, especially when the number of terms in the polynomial expression for the temperature profile is increased in order to improve the accuracy of the approximation. When an attempt was made at the NACA Lewis laboratory to extend this method, which was previously used only to determine the heat transfer on solid surfaces, to transpiration-cooled porous walls, it was found that the procedure for the solution of the heat-flow equation becomes much simpler and more straightforward if the equation is solved for a thermal boundary-layer thickness called convection thickness. This will be explained in detail in a later section of this report. After the method was developed and the calculations were finished, a note by Dienemann (reference 8) was found in which the same kind of approach is briefly described. Dienemann applies the method to calculate heat-transfer coefficients on solid surfaces and proposes to extend it in such a way that a temperature variation along the solid surface and the influence of internal frictional heating within the boundary layer may be accounted for. He also shows that this method is superior to other approximations which were compared by Goland (reference 9) with an exact solution for a cylinder with circular cross section. It may be of interest to mention that Goland obtained the exact solution from the fact that the differential equation describing the temperature boundary layer around an infinite cylinder in a flow normal to its axis and for a fluid with a Prandtl number of 1 has exactly the same form as the differential equation describing the spanwise flow within the boundary layer on a yawed infinite cylinder. Calculations of the heat transfer on a transpiration-cooled flat plate which considered the variation of property values with temperature were made by Yuan (reference 10) with the assumption that the total-temperature profile within the boundary layer is similar to the velocity profile. This assumption is valid for a Prandtl number equal to unity and for no pressure gradient. The purpose of the present investigation is to consider the influence of pressure gradients as well as Prandtl numbers different from unity.

A second approach for obtaining an approximate solution of the thermal boundary layer was described in reference 1. It is still simpler than the approach by Kroujiline, since in this method it is not necessary to calculate the flow boundary layer prior to the determination of the thermal boundary layer. This method uses exact solutions of the boundary-layer equations which are known for a special type of pressure variation in the flow which is encountered on wedge-shaped
bodies. These velocity profiles and the temperature profiles are used to approximate the actual profiles for arbitrary pressure variations. A differential equation is set up with the condition that the growth of the boundary layer on any place of the cylinder with arbitrary cross section investigated be the same as for the wedge-type flow when the boundary-layer thickness and the pressure gradient have the same values in both cases. When this idea is applied to the momentum thickness of the boundary layer, the resulting equation is identical with Karman's integrated momentum equation. When it is applied to the convection thickness of the thermal boundary layer, the resulting differential equation fulfills the condition that the heat transferred from the surface to the fluid has to be found again within the boundary layer (reference 11). This method was compared with exact solutions and experimental values in reference 1 and in investigations performed at the University of California (reference 12), and the agreement obtained was quite satisfactory. This method can easily be extended in such a way that it includes effects of variations of the surface temperature and of internal heating (reference 11). For such an extension, the corresponding exact solutions for the wedge-type flow have to be known. Such solutions, which take into account the effect of a surface temperature variation and of internal heating, are presented in references 11 and 13. The method may also be extended to the transpiration cooling of porous surfaces, as soon as the corresponding exact solutions for this case are known. A few such solutions are presented in reference 14. However, too few solutions are given for use as a basis for the approximate method. Brown (reference 15) has recently made an extensive calculation to obtain exact solutions in transpiration-cooled porous surfaces of the wedge-flow type which include the effect of pressure gradients and of variable property values. The results of this calculation are now being used to extend the method mentioned in the preceding paragraph to transpiration cooling.

This paper deals with the method described as the first type of approach. The method has the advantage that it may be applied to cases for which the corresponding wedge-type flow and heat transfer are not known.

STATEMENT OF PROBLEM AND SIMPLIFYING ASSUMPTIONS

This report is a contribution to the problem of determining the development of the thermal boundary layer and the heat-transfer coefficients on a body of arbitrary cross section with porous walls in a two-dimensional flow. Figure 1 shows the cross section of such a body. At Reynolds numbers which are sufficiently high, the flow around such a body may be subdivided into the boundary-layer region which surrounds the body with a very small thickness, and the potential flow, which determines the pressure distribution around the body. The highest
pressure on the body is found at the stagnation point. The pressure then decreases in flow direction along both sides of the body, and usually increases again, later on. The pressure variation along the body determines the development of the flow boundary layer and also whether the boundary layer is laminar or turbulent. Usually, the laminar part is confined to a region near the nose of the body. The region with laminar boundary layer is investigated in this report. The flow of coolant through the porous surface may be described by the velocity $v_w$ with which the coolant leaves the surface in a normal direction. The questions which will be answered in this report are: First, what are the local heat-transfer coefficient and the surface temperature on any point along the body for any prescribed distribution of the coolant velocity $v_w$; and second, what distribution of the coolant velocity $v_w$ gives a desired distribution of the heat-transfer coefficient and of the surface temperature around the body. Usually, for instance, a constant wall temperature is most desirable and the problem is to find that distribution of the coolant velocity $v_w$ which results in a constant wall temperature.

A number of simplifications have to be introduced in order to keep the time required for the solution of a special problem down to a tolerable amount. The assumptions made are: The flow is two-dimensional and in steady state, internal frictional heating within the boundary layer can be neglected, and property values (density, viscosity, and heat conductivity) may be considered constant. The influence of temperature gradients along the surface of the body is neglected. Although this influence may be considerable (reference 13), there is no quantitative information available for transpiration-cooled surfaces which would permit this effect to be taken into account.

In applying the method to the determination of the temperatures of transpiration-cooled turbine blades, neglecting internal frictional heating should be admissible, since the temperature differences within the boundary layer generated by the cooling process are considerably larger than those generated by aerodynamic heating. This will be shown in more detail later on. On the other hand, the large temperature variation in the boundary layer is connected with a considerable variation of the property values. The influence of this variation on the heat transfer may be approximately corrected by use of the results in reference 15.

**BOUNDARY-LAYER EQUATIONS**

In a coordinate system, shown in figure 1, where the x-axis runs along the surface and the y-direction is normal to the surface and under the assumptions mentioned in the previous section, the differential equations describing the velocity and the temperature within the boundary layer are
\[
\begin{align*}
\rho u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + \rho v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} &= - \frac{\partial p^*}{\partial x^*} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^*}, \\
\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + \frac{\partial v^*}{\partial y^*} &= 0 \\
\rho c_p u^* \frac{\partial t}{\partial x^*} + \rho c_p v^* \frac{\partial t}{\partial y^*} &= k \frac{\partial^2 t}{\partial y^*}
\end{align*}
\]

(All symbols are defined in appendix A.) The equations have to fulfill the following boundary conditions. At the surface \((y = 0)\) the velocity component \(u^*\) parallel to the surface is 0, the velocity component \(v^*\) normal to the surface has a finite value \(v_w^*\), and the temperature of the surface is interconnected with the velocity \(v_w^*\) by the over-all heat-transfer process so that one of the two values may be prescribed. At the outer edge of the boundary layer \((y = \infty)\) the \(u^*\) component of the velocity transforms asymptotically into the stream velocity \(U^*\) and the temperature transforms into the stream temperature. Since only temperature differences appear in equation (3) the temperature level does not enter into the problem. Therefore, all temperatures will be measured from the temperature in the stream as reference temperature, and \(t\) will be interpreted as the temperature difference from this reference temperature. Consequently, outside of the boundary layer \(t = 0\).

In a gas stream, it is advantageous to interpret \(t\) as the total temperature difference. In this case, equation (3) already includes the effect of the frictional heating for a gas with a Prandtl number of 1. Since for all gases, the Prandtl number does not deviate much from the value 1, equation (3) also gives a good approximation to the real conditions for gases as long as the temperature differences impressed upon the boundary layer by a cooling process are larger than the temperature differences created by internal friction.

In order to reduce the number of parameters, the differential equations will be made dimensionless. For this purpose, all lengths measured parallel to \(x\) are divided by \(L\), the distance between the stagnation point and the trailing edge of the body measured along the surface, and all velocities in this direction are divided by an upstream velocity \(U_0\). All lengths and all velocities parallel to \(y\) are in addition multiplied by the square root of Reynolds numbers \(Re_0\) based on the body length \(L\) and the upstream velocity \(U_0\):

\[
x = \frac{x^*}{L}, \quad u = \frac{u^*}{U_0}, \quad y = \frac{y^*}{L} \sqrt{Re_0}, \quad v = \frac{v^*}{U_0} \sqrt{Re_0}
\]
The pressure gradient \( \frac{\partial p^*}{\partial x^*} \) is impressed upon the boundary layer by the potential flow outside the boundary layer and can be replaced by the stream velocity gradient by use of Bernoulli's equation

\[
- \frac{\partial p^*}{\partial x^*} = \rho u^* \frac{\partial U^*}{\partial x^*}
\]  
(5)

In this way, equations (1) to (3) transform into

\[
u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}
\]  
(6)

\[
\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0
\]  
(7)

\[
u \frac{\partial t}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{Pr} \frac{\partial^2 t}{\partial y^2}
\]  
(8)

The boundary conditions for these equations become

\[
y = 0 \quad u = 0 \quad v = v_w(x) \quad t = t_w(x)
\]  
(9)

\[
y \rightarrow \infty \quad u \rightarrow U \quad t \rightarrow 0
\]  
(10)

The equations are now integrated over \( y \) from \( y = 0 \) to \( y = \infty \). The result of this integration is Kármán's integrated momentum equation

\[
\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^\infty (U-u)u \, dy + \frac{dU}{dx} \int_0^\infty (U-u) \, dy - v_w U = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_w
\]  
(11)

and the heat-flow equation

\[
\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^\infty tu \, dy - t_w v_w = - \frac{1}{Pr} \left( \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} \right)_w
\]  
(12)

In order to simplify these equations, the following characteristic boundary-layer thicknesses are introduced:

(1) the displacement thickness of the flow boundary layer

\[
\delta_d = \int_0^\infty (1 - \frac{u}{U}) \, dy
\]  
(13)
(2) the momentum or impulse thickness of the flow boundary layer

\[ \delta_1 = \int_0^\infty \frac{U}{U} (1 - \frac{U}{U}) \, dy \]  \hspace{1cm} (14)

and (3) the convection thickness of the thermal boundary layer

\[ \delta_{t,c} = \int_0^\infty \theta \frac{U}{U} \, dy \]  \hspace{1cm} (15)

where \( \theta \) is the ratio \( t/t_w \) with the limiting values \( \theta = 1 \) for \( y = 0 \) and \( \theta = 0 \) for \( y = \infty \). By introduction of these boundary-layer thicknesses and with \( \frac{dU}{dx} \) written as \( U' \), equations (11) and (12) are transformed into

\[ \frac{d}{dx} (U'^2 \delta_1) + \delta_1 u' U' - v_w U = \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_w \]  \hspace{1cm} (16)

\[ \frac{d}{dx} (t_w U \delta_{t,c}) - t_w v_w = - \frac{t_w}{Pr} \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right)_w \]  \hspace{1cm} (17)

**VELOCITY AND TEMPERATURE PROFILES**

To obtain an approximate solution of the last two equations, approximate expressions for the velocity and temperature profiles will be introduced. The accuracy of the results of this calculation will depend on how well the actual profiles are approximated by the assumed shapes. The temperature profiles as well as the velocity profiles are chosen as a one-parametric family. The parameter for each family is determined in such a way that the assumed profiles fulfill the exact boundary-layer equations (6) to (8) at the wall surface.

\[ v_w \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)_w = U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right)_w \]  \hspace{1cm} (18)

\[ v_w \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right)_w = \frac{1}{Pr} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} \right)_w \]  \hspace{1cm} (19)
In addition, the following boundary conditions will be fulfilled

\begin{align}
y = 0 & \quad u = 0 \quad \theta = 1 \\
y = \infty & \quad u = U \quad \theta = 0
\end{align}

(20) (21)

Originally, polynomial expressions were used to approximate both the velocity and the temperature profiles. Schlichting, however, pointed out that better approximations may be obtained by expressions composed of trigonometric functions (reference 6). The following profiles are used in this report:

**Velocity profile.** - For \( \Delta \geq 0, \ 0 \leq \frac{y}{\delta} \leq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} + \Delta \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{3y}{\delta}} - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} \right)
\]

and for \( \frac{y}{\delta} \geq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = 1 - \Delta e^{-\frac{3y}{\delta}}
\]

(22)

By use of this profile, the following expression is found from equation (18) for the shape parameter \( \Delta \):

\[
\Delta = \frac{U'\delta^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} \nu_w \delta}{9 + \left( 3 - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \nu_w \delta}
\]

(23)

The velocity profile equation (22) has already been used by Schlichting (reference 6). For a solid flat plate \((U' = 0 \ \text{and} \ \nu_w = 0)\) it approximates the Blasius velocity profile very well and for \(U' = 0\) and \(\nu_w = -3/8\) transforms into the exact asymptotic suction profile as calculated by Schlichting (reference 6). For \( \Delta \leq 0, \ 0 \leq \frac{y}{\delta} \leq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} + \Delta \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} \right)
\]

and for \( \frac{y}{\delta} \geq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = 1
\]

(24)
The shape parameter in this case, as obtained from equation (18), is

$$\Delta = \frac{U'\delta^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} v_w \delta}{\frac{\pi^2}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} v_w \delta}$$

(25)

For the solid flat plate, this profile gives the same expression as equation (22). It will be shown later that it approximates the separation profile as calculated by Hartree (reference 16) better than the usual polynomial expression. Separation occurs at $\Delta = -1$ and the corresponding profile has the shape

$$\frac{u}{\bar{U}} = \sin^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta}$$

(26)

**Temperature profile.** - For $0 \leq \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \leq 1$

$$\frac{t}{t_w} = 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left(1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t}\right)$$

and for $\frac{Y}{\delta_t} \geq 1$

$$\theta = 0$$

(27)

The shape factor for this profile is obtained from equation (19) as follows:

$$\Delta_t = \frac{-Pr v_w \delta_t}{\pi + Pr v_w \delta_t}$$

(28)

In this case, a negative shape factor $\Delta_t$ is always connected with a positive value of $v_w$ whereas for the velocity profile, the sign of the shape factor depends, in addition, on the pressure gradient $dU/dx$.

With these profiles, the different boundary-layer thicknesses and the velocity gradient at the wall may be calculated.
\[
\frac{\delta_d}{\delta} = \left(1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\right) - \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{\pi}\right) \Delta 
\]

(29)

\[
\frac{\delta_i}{\delta} = 0.1366 + 0.03791 \Delta - 0.00786 \Delta^2 \quad \Delta > 0
\]

(30)

\[
\left(\frac{du}{dy}\right)_w = \frac{U}{\delta} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} + \left(3 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \Delta\right]
\]

(31)

\[
\frac{\delta_d}{\delta} = \left(1 - \frac{2}{\pi}\right) - \left(\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\right) \Delta 
\]

(32)

\[
\frac{\delta_i}{\delta} = 0.1366 - 0.01456 \Delta - 0.02618 \Delta^2 \quad \Delta < 0
\]

(33)

\[
\left(\frac{du}{dy}\right)_w = \frac{\pi U}{2 \delta} (1 + \Delta)
\]

(34)

The nondimensional temperature gradient at the wall is

\[
\left(\frac{d\theta}{dy}\right)_w = -\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{\delta_t} (1 + \Delta_t)
\]

(35)

The corresponding expressions for the convection thickness of the thermal boundary layer are presented in appendix B.

**TRANSFORMATION OF BOUNDARY-LAYER EQUATIONS**

**Flow Boundary Layer**

Multiplication of equation (16) by \( \frac{\delta_i}{U} \) and a partial differentiation of the first term give

\[
UB_i \frac{d\delta_i}{dx} + \left(2 + \frac{\delta_d}{\delta_i}\right) U' \delta_i^2 - v_w \delta_i = \frac{\delta_i}{U} \left(\frac{du}{dy}\right)_w
\]

(36)

The expression in the parentheses of the second term on the left-hand side and the term on the right-hand side are functions of the shape parameter \( \Delta \). Therefore, the momentum equation for the boundary layer may be written in its final form:
\[ \frac{U}{2} \frac{d(\delta_1^2)}{dx} = f_2(\Delta) - f_1(\Delta) \, U' \delta_1^2 + v_w \delta_1 \]  

(37)

with the following expressions for the two functions \( f_1 \) and \( f_2 \) which are obtained from equations (29) to (34):

\[ f_1(\Delta) = 2 + \frac{0.3634 - 0.03005 \Delta}{0.1366 + 0.03791 \Delta - 0.00786 \Delta^2} \] \[ \Delta \geq 0 \] \[ f_2(\Delta) = \left[ \frac{\pi}{2} + \left( 3 - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \Delta \right] \left( 0.1366 + 0.03791 \Delta - 0.00786 \Delta^2 \right) \] \[ \Delta \geq 0 \] \[ f_1(\Delta) = 2 + \frac{0.3634 - 0.1366 \Delta}{0.1366 - 0.01456 \Delta - 0.02618 \Delta^2} \] \[ \Delta \leq 0 \] \[ f_2(\Delta) = \frac{\pi}{2} (1 + \Delta) \left( 0.1366 - 0.01456 \Delta - 0.02618 \Delta^2 \right) \] \[ \Delta \leq 0 \]

(39)

(40)

(41)

These functions are presented in figure 2. All curves have a break at \( \Delta = 0 \) because different expressions approximate the velocity profiles for positive and negative \( \Delta \) values. Equation (37) is a linear first-order differential equation from which the momentum thickness of the boundary layer can be obtained by integration, as soon as the gradient \( U' \) of the stream velocity \( U \) and the porous flow characterized by \( v_w \) are known as functions of \( x \). In order to make the calculations more convenient, the shape parameter \( \Delta \) can be expressed as a function of the two quantities \( U' \delta_1^2 \) and \( v_w \delta_1 \):

\[ \Delta \geq 0, \Delta = \frac{U' \delta_1^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} v_w \delta_1 \frac{\delta_1}{6}}{9 \left( \frac{\delta_1}{6} \right)^2 + \left( 3 - \frac{\pi}{2} \right) v_w \delta_1 \frac{\delta_1}{6}} \] \[ \frac{\delta_1}{6} \] \[ \Delta \leq 0, \Delta = \frac{U' \delta_1^2 - \frac{\pi}{2} v_w \delta_1 \frac{\delta_1}{6}}{\frac{\pi^2}{2} \left( \frac{\delta_1}{6} \right)^2 + \frac{\pi}{2} v_w \delta_1 \frac{\delta_1}{6}} \]  

(42)

(43)

The ratio \( \frac{\delta_1}{6} \) occurring in these equations is a function of \( \Delta \) (see equations (30) and (33) and fig. 2). The functional relation for \( \Delta \) is
plotted in figure 3. By use of figures 3 and 2, the integration procedure for the differential equation (37) becomes very simple. The step-by-step procedure for such a calculation is presented in appendix C.

In order to start the calculation at the stagnation point, it is necessary to know the boundary-layer thickness $\delta_1$ at this location. At the stagnation point, the stream velocity $U$ is 0. Since on a blunt nose the increase of the boundary-layer thickness is never infinite, the term on the right-hand side of equation (37) has to be 0. This gives an equation

$$f_2(\Delta) - f_1(\Delta) U'\delta_1^2 + v_w\delta_1 = 0$$

On the other hand, figure 3 also applies to the conditions at the stagnation point. From both relations $U'\delta_1^2, \Delta, f_1$, and $f_2$ were each obtained as a function of $v_w\delta_1$ by a trial-and-error process. These values are presented in table I. The connection between $U'\delta_1^2, \Delta$, and $v_w\delta_1$ is also shown in figure 3 as the stagnation line. Table I cannot be used immediately to start the calculation since the value $v_w\delta_1$ is not known. However, the value $\frac{(v_w\delta_1)^2}{U'\delta_1^2} = \frac{v_w^2}{U}$ which contains only known values, is also a function of $U'\delta_1^2$ and is plotted in figure 4. From this figure $U'\delta_1^2$ can be determined for a given $\frac{v_w^2}{U}$ and $\delta_1$ can then be obtained from this value.

**Thermal Boundary Layer**

With the help of equations (28) and (35), the heat-flow equation (17) is transformed into

$$\frac{1}{v_w} \frac{d}{dx} (US_t,c) = 1 + \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{Pr K v_w \delta} \left( 1 - \frac{Pr K v_w \delta}{\pi + Pr K v_w \delta} \right) - \frac{US_t,c}{v_w t'_w} \frac{dt_w}{dx}$$

where $K$ denotes the ratio $\frac{\delta_t}{\delta}$. The last term on the right-hand side accounts for a variation of the temperature along the surface. A difficulty arises in this connection. It is known from the results of references 11 and 13 that a temperature gradient $\frac{dt_w}{dx}$ also has a
pronounced effect on the shape of the temperature profile. Since no such effect was included in the assumed profile (equation (27)), it is doubtful what significance the last term has. It was therefore neglected herein, restricting this report to cases where the variation of the surface temperature is kept small either by internal conduction within the wall or by proper choice of \( v_w \). The investigation of the influence of large surface temperature gradients will be left to future work. With this simplification equation (45) can be written in its final form

\[
\frac{d}{dx} (U_b t_c) = \nu_w f_3(Pr K \nu_w \delta) \tag{46}
\]

where \( f_3 \) is a function of the product \( Pr K \nu_w \delta \), which is presented in figure 5. For a solid wall \( (\nu_w = 0) \) the equation simplifies to

\[
\frac{d}{dx} (U_b t_c) = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{K \nu_w \delta} \tag{47}
\]

The shape parameter \( \Delta_t \) may be written in the form

\[
\Delta_t = \frac{-Pr K \nu_w \delta}{\pi + Pr K \nu_w \delta} \tag{48}
\]

This equation, together with the expressions for \( \frac{\delta_{t_c}}{\delta} \) (appendix B), determines a functional relation between \( K, \frac{\delta_{t_c}}{\delta}, \Delta \), and \( Pr \nu_w \delta \), which is presented in figure 6. The figure presents the ratios \( \frac{\delta_{t_c}}{\delta} \) for three values of the shape parameter \( \Delta \) (-1, 0, and +1). For intermediate values of \( \Delta \) linear interpolation in the range \( \Delta = -1 \) and \( \Delta = 0 \), or \( \Delta = 0 \) and \( \Delta = 1 \), at a constant value of \( K \) may be used with good accuracy. The heat-flow equation (46) is again a linear first-order differential equation from which the thermal convection thickness is obtained by integration when the stream velocity \( U \), the flow through the porous surface \( v_w \), and the Prandtl number \( Pr \) are prescribed, and the boundary layer thickness \( \delta \) and the shape factor of the flow boundary layer \( \Delta \) are known from a preceding solution of equation (37). The step-by-step procedure for such a calculation is explained in appendix C.

In order to start the calculation, the convection thickness \( \delta_{t_c} \) must be known at the stagnation point. A partial differentiation of the left-hand side of equation (46) gives
\[ U \frac{d\delta_{t,c}}{dx} + U' \delta_{t,c} = v_w f_3 \]

At the stagnation point, \( U \) is 0, and the boundary-layer increase \( \frac{d\delta_{t,c}}{dx} \) is not infinite on a blunt-nosed body. This results in the equation

\[ \frac{U'}{v_w} \delta_{t,c} = f_3 (Pr K v_w \delta) \]

or

\[ \frac{U' \delta^2}{v_w \delta} \frac{\delta_{t,c}}{\delta} = f_3 (Pr K v_w \delta) \] \( (49) \)

This is a relation between the two unknown ratios \( \frac{\delta_{t,c}}{\delta} \) and \( K \). A second relation is given by figure 6. From both, the values \( \frac{\delta_{t,c}}{\delta} \) and \( K \) can be determined by a trial-and-error procedure. The values are presented in table II and figure 7.

When the thermal convection boundary-layer thickness is known, the local heat-transfer coefficient follows by a simple calculation. The equation which defines the local heat-transfer coefficient \( h \) is

\[ h t_w = - k \left( \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} \right)_w \]

(50)

This gives for the local Nusselt number, based on the length \( L \),

\[ Nu = \frac{hL}{k} = - \frac{L}{t_w} \left( \frac{\partial t}{\partial y} \right)_w = - \sqrt{Re_0} \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \right)_w \]

(51)

The introduction of equation (17) for the temperature gradient leads to an expression

\[ \frac{Nu}{\sqrt{Re_0}} = Pr \left[ \frac{1}{t_w} \frac{d}{dx} (t_w U \delta_{t,c}) - v_w \right] = v_w Pr (f_3 - 1) \]

(52)
Without sweat cooling, the equation simplifies to

\[
\frac{Nu}{\sqrt{Re_0}} = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{1}{K_0}
\]  

(53)

In many cases, the whole amount of heat transferred from the outside flow to the wall surface is picked up by the cooling fluid on its flow through the porous wall. In this case, the wall surface temperature may be calculated by the equation

\[
h t_w = \rho c_p v_w^* (t_c - t_w)
\]

(54)

where \(t_c\) is the temperature with which the coolant enters the porous wall. This gives for \(\Phi\), the ratio of the difference in gas temperature minus wall surface temperature to the difference in gas temperature minus coolant temperature, the expression

\[
\Phi = \frac{t_w}{t_c} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{h}{\rho c_p v_w^*}} = \frac{1}{f_3}
\]

(55)

**COMPARISON OF ASSUMED VELOCITY AND TEMPERATURE PROFILES WITH EXACT SOLUTIONS**

The accuracy of the method depends on how well the assumed profiles approximate the actual ones. It is therefore necessary to check the degree of this approximation with results of exact calculations to the extent that these are available. Such a comparison will be made in this section.

**Velocity Profiles**

For the solid surface (\(v_w = 0\)), the comparison can be made with exact solutions which were obtained by Hartree (reference 16) for wedge-type flow for which the stream velocity is a power function of the distance from the stagnation point (\(U = U_1 x^m\)). A set of such profiles taken from reference 16 is presented as a family of dashed lines in figure 8 where the ratio of the velocity \(u\) in the boundary layer to the stream velocity \(U\) outside of the boundary layer is plotted over the dimensionless distance...
\[ z = \frac{y}{\sqrt{2-\beta}} \left( \frac{U}{\nu x^*} \right) = \frac{y}{\sqrt{2-\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{U}{x}} \]

and the shape parameter \( \beta \) is defined by the equation \( \beta = \frac{2m}{m+1} \). The expression for the dimensionless displacement thickness is

\[ z_1 = \frac{\delta_1}{\sqrt{2-\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{U}{x}} \]

This gives

\[ \beta z_1^2 = \frac{\beta}{2-\beta} \delta_1^2 \frac{U}{x} \]

A differentiation of \( U = U_1 x^m \) gives \( U' = m \frac{U}{x} = \frac{\beta}{2-\beta} \frac{U}{x} \).

Therefore,

\[ \beta z_1^2 = U' \delta_1^2 \]

(56)

The value \( z_1 \) as a function of \( \beta \) is presented in reference 1. Since \( U' \delta_1^2 \) is a function of \( \Delta \), according to equations (42) and (43), equation (56) presents a relation between \( \beta \) and \( \Delta \) from which \( \Delta \) may be calculated for any value of \( \beta \). The shape of the approximate velocity profile is determined by \( \Delta \) (equations (22) and (24)). In this way, the solid profiles of figure 8 were determined. They are superimposed on the exact profiles in such a way that the displacement thickness is the same in both cases. Figure 8 shows that generally the agreement between the exact profiles and the approximation used in this report is satisfactory. Only for the separation profile \( \beta = -0.1988 \) are the deviations larger, but even for the separation profile the approximation by equation (24) is better than the usual four-term polynomial approximation, which is shown as a dash-dot line.

For a porous wall, some exact solutions are contained in reference 14. The notations in this reference are the same as the ones mentioned in the previous paragraph in connection with the Hartree solutions. In that report the porous flow velocity \( v_w \) is characterized by

\[ \lambda = v_w \sqrt{\frac{x^*}{\nu U^*}} = v_w \sqrt{\frac{x}{U}} \]

From this and the previous expression for \( z_1 \)

\[ \sqrt{2-\beta} \lambda z_1 = v_w \delta_1 \]

(57)
The value of \( z_1 \) is presented in reference 14 as a function of \( \lambda \) for two values of \( \beta \) (\( \beta = 0 \) and \( \beta = 1 \)). Therefore, equation (57) presents a relation between \( \lambda \) and \( \Delta \) for a certain value of \( \beta \). Equation (57), therefore, connects the parameter \( \lambda \) which determines the shape of the exact velocity profile with the form parameter \( \Delta \) determining the shape of the approximation. Figures 9 and 10 show a comparison between the exact profiles and the approximations for the neighborhood of the stagnation point (\( \beta = 1 \)) and for a flat plate (\( \beta = 0 \)). It may be seen that again this agreement is quite satisfactory for \( \beta = 1 \). For \( \beta = 0 \) the approximation is less good for profiles with a distinct S shape. For the largest coolant flow (characterized by the highest value of \( \lambda \) or the smallest value of \( \Delta \)) the deviation is considerable, although the agreement is still better than the four-term polynomial approximation indicated by a dash-dot line. Therefore, the method presented in this report should not be used for excessive coolant-flow rates.

Temperature Profile

For a solid wall (\( v_w = 0 \)) the approximate expression (27) for the temperature profile has a unique form, independent of the pressure gradient along the surface. For a gas with a Prandtl number of 1 and for constant pressure along the surface, it is known that the temperature profile is similar to the Blasius velocity profile. This similarity also holds for the approximation in this report. In addition, it is shown in reference 1 that the shape of the actual temperature profile is influenced only to a minor degree by a pressure gradient in the flow. Therefore, these approximations should be quite good for a solid surface. For a porous wall, with a constant pressure along its surface, and for a fluid with a Prandtl number of 1, the velocity and temperature profiles are again similar. Therefore, figure 10 shows also the degree of approximation for the temperature profile.

For the flow in the neighborhood of a stagnation point and a fluid with a Prandtl number of 1, some temperature profiles were calculated in reference 14. Figure 11 shows the exact temperature profiles and the approximations presented in such a way that the thickness of the temperature boundary layer, which is defined in the same way as the displacement thickness, is the same for the accurate solution and the corresponding approximation. Figure 11 shows that the agreement is satisfactory as long as the coolant flow characterized by the value \( \lambda \) or \( \Delta_t \) is not too large. The approximation for the highest coolant flow rate (\( \lambda = 3.191 \)) is not shown since it is obvious that the exact curve cannot be approximated by the trigonometric functions from which the approximation is composed. Large coolant flows in the ranges where the agreement ceases to exist will probably not be used since the gain in cooling effect for a given increase in coolant flow is too small in this range.
NUMERICAL CALCULATIONS FOR TURBINE BLADES

The method developed in the previous sections was used to calculate
the local distributions of the heat-transfer coefficients for two tur-
bine blade shapes for which the velocity distributions were known. The
two blades are shown in figure 12. The line at the nose of the blade
indicates the circumferential direction and the arrow, the direction of
the upstream velocity. Figure 13 shows the velocity distributions
around the blade circumferences. The velocity distributions around the
blades were calculated using the method described in reference 17.

The method outlined in this report can be used to calculate the
development of the laminar-flow boundary layer in the downstream direc-
tion up to the point of separation. In reality, at the Reynolds numbers
encountered in gas turbine engines, the boundary layer usually becomes
turbulent before it reaches this point. The transition point to tur-
bulence is determined by the pressure gradients along the blade surface,
by the boundary-layer thickness, by the temperature distribution within
the boundary layer, and, in addition, by the curvature of the blade
surface and by the stream turbulence (reference 18). Not too much
quantitative knowledge exists on the influence of all these parameters.
However, there are indications that on turbine blades the point of
transition is near the point at which the maximum value of the velocity
is reached. A calculation which deals with laminar boundary layers is
therefore useful for the region near the nose of a turbine blade. The
points of maximum velocity are indicated in figures 14 to 16 by small
dots.

The first part of the calculation deals with the problem in which
a uniform coolant flow rate \(v_w\) is prescribed along the blade peri-
phery. The development of the flow and of the thermal boundary layers
was calculated in the way described in appendix C. The results are
presented in figure 14. Apparently both boundary layers start out with
a finite value at the stagnation point and increase in thickness in the
downstream direction on both the suction and the pressure surfaces. The
boundary-layer thicknesses at any place along the blade increase with
increasing coolant flow rate.

In figure 15 the local heat-transfer coefficients along the blade
surfaces which are obtained from the thermal boundary-layer thickness
are shown. The figures show that very high local values are encountered
at the stagnation point and that the values decrease considerably with
increasing distance from this point. The application of transpiration
cooling decreases the heat-transfer coefficients effectively from the
values obtained on a solid blade surface (\(v_w = 0\)). The decrease is
not as pronounced at the stagnation point itself as on the sides of the
blade. The value of the velocity ratio \(\frac{v_w}{u_0}\) may be obtained from the
parameter \( v_w \) presented in the diagrams by dividing it by the square root of the upstream Reynolds number. For turbine blades, this Reynolds number is near the value 10^5 so that to a value \( v_w = 1 \) corresponds a velocity ratio \( \frac{v_w}{U_0} = 0.00316 \). Values for this velocity ratio which are considered in practical applications are in the neighborhood of 0.01.

A comparison of figures 15(a) and 15(b) shows that generally the values of \( \frac{Nu}{\sqrt{Re_0}} \) at the stagnation point decrease considerably with an increasing ratio of the radius of curvature at the blade nose to the blade chord. The values \( \frac{Nu}{\sqrt{Re_0}} \) are determined by the velocity gradient \( \frac{dU}{dx} \), which in itself depends mainly on the dimensionless radius of curvature. Increasing the radius of curvature at the blade nose is therefore an effective means for decreasing the heat-transfer coefficient in this region. Downstream of the point of transition of the boundary layer to turbulence the heat-transfer coefficients will increase. To give some indication of the magnitude of the values which may be expected in the turbulent region, heat-transfer coefficients were calculated at the location \( x = 0.5 \) under the assumption that these values are the same as on a flat plate at the same distance \( x \) from the leading edge, with a stream velocity equal to the local value found at the blade at \( x = 0.5 \), and with an upstream \( Re_0 \) equal to 10^5. Formulas derived by Rannie and Friedman (reference 18) were used for these calculations. The short horizontal lines in figure 15 indicate these values and the dashed part of the curve \( v_w = 0 \) in figure 15(a) shows the probable heat-transfer values in the transition and the turbulent region.

The surface temperature of the blade is determined by the heat-transfer coefficients. Equations (55) gives the connection between both values when heat conduction in the blade wall and heat radiation can be neglected. Figure 16 shows the values \( 1 - \Phi \) determined from equation (55). The quantity \( 1 - \Phi \) is the ratio of the difference in blade surface temperature minus coolant temperature to the difference in effective gas temperature minus coolant temperature. The higher heat-transfer coefficients near the leading edge create high blade temperatures at that location. Heat conduction within the blade wall tends to reduce these high local temperatures. This reduction is assisted by the fact that the blade temperatures are especially low in the laminar region on both sides of the leading edge. Therefore, it may be that the blade-nose temperature is reduced to a value not higher than the blade-wall temperature in the turbulent part, especially for blades with a blunt nose. On the other hand, it has to be kept in mind that the heat conductivity values for porous materials are lower than for solid walls (reference 18). It has been already mentioned that temperature gradients along the blade surface influence somewhat the local heat-transfer.
coefficients; however, not enough information is available to take this effect into account. A surface temperature which decreases in flow direction tends to increase the heat-transfer coefficients so that the decrease in surface temperature on both sides of the stagnation point may be somewhat less than those shown in figure 18 where heat conduction within the blade walls is excluded.

A second set of calculations was made for blade I to determine that distribution of the local coolant flow rate \( \nu_w \) along the blade surface which results in a constant blade temperature. The procedure for such a calculation is also described in appendix C. The local coolant flow rates \( \nu_w \) which are necessary in order to keep the temperature ratio \( \Phi \) (equation (55)) at the value 0.7 are shown in figure 17. The flow boundary layer and the thermal boundary layer determined in such a way are presented in figure 18. A comparison of this figure with figure 14(a) indicates that the development of the boundary layers is considerably different for both cases. The boundary-layer growth is smaller for the case of constant wall temperature. Figure 17 shows that the highest local flow rates are necessary near the stagnation point in order to keep the wall temperature down at that place. The magnitude of the coolant flow rate at the stagnation point is proportional to the square root of the velocity gradient \( \frac{dU}{dx} \), which is in itself determined mainly by the value of the radius of curvature at the blade nose. The smaller this radius, the larger the velocity gradient and the local coolant flow rate. The flow rates decrease on both the pressure and the suction surfaces in the downstream direction. Downstream of the transition point the boundary layer will be turbulent. It is known that the cooling effectiveness of a turbulent boundary layer is less than that of a laminar boundary layer. Correspondingly higher values of the coolant flow rate are necessary in the turbulent region in order to keep the blade temperature constant. In order to give some indication of the magnitude of the coolant flow rate necessary for the turbulent region, the values \( \nu_w \) which result in the same value \( \Phi = 0.7 \) as in the laminar region were calculated at the location \( x = 0.5 \). For this calculation the formulas presented in reference 18 were used and it was again assumed that the local \( \Phi \) value on the blade surface is the same as on a flat plate at the same distance from the leading edge and with a velocity equal to the local stream velocity \( U \) and an upstream Reynolds number \( \text{Re}_0 \) equal to \( 10^5 \). The flow rates \( \nu_w \) obtained in this way are indicated by short horizontal lines in figure 17. The values in the turbulent region along the blade can be expected not to deviate much from these values. Apparently a considerably higher coolant flow rate is necessary in the turbulent portion of the blade surface than in most of the laminar portion. In order to simplify manufacturing problems, turbine blades may be produced in such a way that the coolant flow rate has a constant value along the pressure surface and a different constant value along the suction surface. This then results in lower local blade temperatures in the region of laminar boundary layers and the heat conduction into this cooler part of the
blade may reduce the local temperatures at the stagnation point to values equal to or lower than the temperatures in the turbulent region, especially when the radius of curvature at the blade nose is not too small. For blades with a very pointed nose it may be necessary to have a coolant flow rate at the stagnation point approximately twice as large as along the sides in order to reduce the temperature at that point.

CONCLUSIONS

An approximate method which permits the calculation of local heat-transfer coefficients and surface temperatures in the laminar flow region around cylinders of arbitrary cross section with transpiration-cooled walls was developed. Velocity and temperature profiles in the boundary layer were approximated by trigonometric expressions. The method was applied to determine local heat-transfer coefficients and surface temperatures in the laminar region of two transpiration-cooled turbine blades for a given coolant flow rate. Coolant-flow distributions necessary for maintaining uniform blade temperatures were also determined. The following conclusions are made:

1. For small coolant flow rates, the assumed trigonometric approximations for the velocity and temperature profiles within the boundary layer agree well with exact solutions. For high coolant flow rates (which are outside the range of practical interest) the agreement becomes poor. It is, however, still better than the formerly used four-term polynomial approximation.

2. Transpiration cooling results in a considerable reduction in heat-transfer coefficients on turbine blades in the laminar region.

3. The surface temperatures of a blade with negligible heat conduction are highest at the leading edge, lowest in the rest of the laminar region, and have intermediate values in the turbulent region.

4. The following variation of the coolant flow rate along the blade surface is necessary to keep the blade temperature constant. Highest local coolant flow rates are required at the stagnation point in order to keep the blade surface temperature down at that point. The coolant flow rates decrease very markedly in the downstream direction on both the suction and pressure surfaces in the laminar region. However, they increase again when the turbulent region is reached.

5. To maintain the same surface temperature on both sides of the blade, different coolant flow rates should be used for the suction and pressure surfaces.

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APPENDIX A

SYMBOLS

The following symbols are used in this report:

- \( c \) chord length of turbine blade, ft
- \( c_p \) specific heat at constant pressure, Btu/(lb)(\( {\text{\degree}}F \))
- \( f_1 \) function of shape factor of velocity profile (see equations (38) and (40))
- \( f_2 \) function of shape factor of velocity profile (see equations (39) and (41))
- \( f_3 \) function of \( \text{Pr}, K, \nu_w, \) and \( \delta \) (see equation (46))
- \( h \) heat-transfer coefficient, Btu/(sec)(sq ft)(\( {\text{\degree}}F \))
- \( K \) ratio of thermal to flow boundary-layer thickness, \( \delta_t/\delta \)
- \( k \) thermal conductivity, Btu/(sec)(ft)(\( {\text{\degree}}F \))
- \( L \) length of either side of surface of profile measured from stagnation point, ft
- \( m \) exponent (called Euler number) in \( U = U_1x^m \)
- \( \text{Nu} \) Nusselt number, \( hL/k \)
- \( \text{Pr} \) Prandtl number, \( c_p\mu/k \)
- \( \rho^* \) pressure along body, lb/sq ft
- \( \text{Re}_0 \) Reynolds number, \( U_0L/\nu \)
- \( s \) distance between blades, ft
- \( t \) temperature difference between local and free-stream values, \( {\text{\degree}}F \)
- \( U \) nondimensional stream velocity, \( U^*/U_0 \)
- \( U^* \) stream velocity, ft/sec
- \( U_0 \) upstream velocity, ft/sec
\[ \begin{align*}
U_1 & \text{ constant in wedge-flow velocity, } U = U_1 x^m \\
u & \text{nondimensional velocity component along surface, } u^*/U_0 \\
u^* & \text{component of velocity along surface, ft/sec} \\
v & \text{nondimensional velocity component normal to surface, } \frac{v^*}{U_0} \sqrt{Re_0} \\
v^* & \text{velocity component normal to surface, ft/sec} \\
x & \text{nondimensional distance along surface, } x^*/L \\
x^* & \text{distance from stagnation point along surface of profile, ft} \\
y & \text{nondimensional distance normal to surface, } \frac{y^*}{L} \sqrt{Re_0} \\
y^* & \text{distance normal to surface, ft} \\
z & \text{nondimensional distance used in wedge-type flow, } \frac{y}{\sqrt{2-\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{U}{x}} \\
z_1 & \text{nondimensional displacement thickness used in wedge-type flow, } \frac{\delta_1}{\sqrt{2-\beta}} \sqrt{\frac{U}{x}} \\
\beta & \text{shape parameter for wedge-type flow, } \frac{2m}{m+1} \\
\Delta & \text{shape parameter of velocity profiles (see equations (23) and (25))} \\
\Delta_t & \text{shape parameter of temperature profile (see equation (28) or (48))} \\
\delta & \text{flow boundary-layer thickness, ft} \\
\delta_d & \text{flow boundary-layer displacement thickness, ft, } \int_0^\infty (1 - \frac{u}{U}) \, dy \\
\delta_i & \text{flow boundary-layer momentum or impulse thickness, ft, } \int_0^\infty \frac{u}{U} \left(1 - \frac{u}{U}\right) \, dy \\
\delta_t & \text{thermal boundary-layer thickness, ft}
\end{align*} \]
\( \delta_{t,c} \) thermal boundary-layer convection thickness, \( \int_{0}^{\infty} \theta \frac{u}{U} dy, \text{ ft} \)

\( \theta \) nondimensional temperature ratio, \( t/t_W \)

\( \lambda \) shape parameter for exact solutions for porous walls, \( v_W \sqrt{\frac{x}{U}} \)

\( \mu \) viscosity, \( \text{lb/(ft)(sec)} \)

\( \nu \) kinematic viscosity, \( \mu/\rho \), \( \text{sq ft/sec} \)

\( \rho \) density, \( \text{lb/cu ft} \)

\( \phi \) nondimensional temperature ratio, \( t_W/t_c \)

Subscripts:

\( c \) coolant (at blade surface)

\( 0 \) upstream condition

\( w \) wall

Superscripts:

\( * \) dimensional

\( ' \) denotes differentiation with respect to \( x \)
APPENDIX B

DETERMINATION OF THERMAL BOUNDARY-LAYER CONVECTION THICKNESS

The determination of the thermal boundary-layer convection thickness \( \delta_{t,c} \), which is similar to the impulse thickness of the flow boundary layer, results from the evaluation of equation (15)

\[
\delta_{t,c} = \int_0^\infty \theta \frac{u}{U} \, dy
\]

when the assumed temperature and velocity profiles are inserted in the integrand. A single temperature profile was assumed; it is given by equation (27) and is for \( 0 \leq \frac{y}{\delta_t} \leq 1 \)

\[
\theta = 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta_t} \right)
\]

and for \( \frac{y}{\delta_t} \geq 1 \)

\[
\theta = 0
\]

Distinct velocity profiles were assumed, depending on the sign of the shape parameter \( \Delta_t \). Moreover, these profiles were further subdivided into different expressions depending on \( \frac{y}{\delta} \leq 1 \) or \( \frac{y}{\delta} \geq 1 \). These assumed velocity profiles are given by equations (22) and (24); they are for \( \Delta \geq 0 \), \( 0 \leq \frac{y}{\delta} \leq 1 \)

\[
u_u = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} + \Delta \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{3y}{\delta}} - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{y}{\delta} \right)
\]

and for \( \frac{y}{\delta} \geq 1 \)

\[
u_u = 1 - \Delta e^{-\frac{3y}{\delta}}
\]
for \( \Delta \leq 0, \ 0 \leq \frac{Y}{b} \leq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} + \Delta \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} \right)
\]

and for \( \frac{Y}{b} \geq 1 \)

\[
\frac{u}{U} = 1
\]

It is at once obvious that, for the evaluation of \( \delta_{t,c} \), four distinct cases must be considered.

The upper limit of the integral in the evaluation of \( \delta_{t,c} \) may be restricted to the value \( \delta_t \) by virtue of the assumed temperature profile. If \( \delta_t \leq \delta \), the value of \( \delta_{t,c} \) can be determined from a single integral, with 0 and \( \delta_t \) as limits, because the integrand vanishes for \( Y \geq \delta_t \). On the other hand, if \( \delta < \delta_t \), two integrals are required for the evaluation of \( \delta_{t,c} \) because of the assumed velocity profiles. These integrals have limits 0 and \( \delta \), and \( \delta \) and \( \delta_t \).

Results of the evaluation of \( \delta_{t,c} \) for the four cases follow:

Case I: \( \Delta \leq 0 \) and \( \delta_t \leq \delta \)

\[
\delta_{t,c} = \int_0^{\delta_t} \left[ 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} - \Delta \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \right) \right] \times \left[ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} + \Delta \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{b} \right) \right] dY
\]
Integration and simplification lead to the following result:

\[ \frac{\delta t, c}{\delta} = \frac{2}{\pi} (1 + \Delta) \left( 1 - \cos \frac{\pi}{2} K \right) - \Delta \left( K - \frac{1}{\pi} \sin \pi K \right) + \]

\[ (1 + \Delta + \Delta_t + \Delta \Delta_t) \left[ \frac{K}{\pi(K+1)} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (K+1) - \frac{K}{\pi(K-1)} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (K-1) \right] + \]

\[ (\Delta + \Delta \Delta_t) \left[ \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K-1)} + \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K+1)} - \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K-1)} \cos \pi \left( K - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K+1)} \cos \pi \left( K + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + \]

\[ (\Delta_t + \Delta \Delta_t) \left[ \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} + \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} - \frac{2}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi K}{2} - \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} \cos \pi \left( 1 - \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} \cos \pi \left( 1 + \frac{K}{2} \right) \right] + \]

\[ \Delta \Delta_t \left[ \frac{1}{4\pi} \sin \pi K - \frac{K}{\pi(K+1)} \sin \pi (K+1) - \frac{K}{\pi(K-1)} \sin \pi (K-1) - \frac{K}{4} \right] \]

Case II: \( \Delta \leq 0 \) and \( \delta_t > \delta \)

\[ \delta_t, c = \int_0^\delta \left[ 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \right) \right] \times \]

\[ \left[ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} + \Delta \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} \right) \right] \, dy + \]

\[ \int_0^\delta \left[ 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \right) \right] (1) \, dy \]
Integration and simplification in this case lead to

\[
\frac{\delta_{t,c}}{b} = (1 + \Delta) \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{\Delta}{2} + K - 1 - \frac{2K}{\pi} \left(1 + \Delta_t\right) \cos \frac{\pi}{2K} + \Delta_t \left(\frac{K}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{K}{2\pi} \sin \frac{\pi}{K}\right) + (1 + \Delta + \Delta_t + \Delta_{\Delta t}) \left\{ \frac{K}{\pi(K+1)} \sin \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{(K+1)}{K}\right] - \frac{K}{\pi(K-1)} \sin \left[\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{(K-1)}{K}\right] \right\} + \\
(\Delta + \Delta_{\Delta t}) \left\{ \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K+1)} + \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K-1)} - \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K-1)} \cos \left[\frac{\pi(2K-1)}{2K}\right] - \frac{K^2}{\pi(2K+1)} \cos \left[\frac{\pi(2K+1)}{2K}\right] - \frac{2K}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi}{2K} \right\} + \\
(\Delta_t + \Delta_{\Delta t}) \left\{ \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} + \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} - \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} \cos \left[\frac{\pi(2-K)}{2K}\right] - \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} \cos \left[\frac{\pi(2+K)}{2K}\right] \right\} + \Delta_{\Delta t} \left\{ \frac{K}{4\pi} \sin \frac{\pi}{K} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{K}{8\pi(K-1)} \sin \left[\frac{\pi(K-1)}{K}\right] - \frac{K}{8\pi(K+1)} \sin \left[\frac{\pi(K+1)}{K}\right] \right\}.
\]

Case III: \( \Delta \geq 0 \) and \( \delta_t \leq \delta \)

\[
\delta_{t,c} = \int_0^{\delta_t} \left[ l - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\gamma}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\gamma}{\delta_t} \left( l - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\gamma}{\delta_t} \right) \right] \times \\
\left[ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\gamma}{\delta} + \Delta \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{3\gamma}{\delta}} - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\gamma}{\delta} \right) \right] dy
\]
Integration and simplification for this case lead to

\[
\frac{d_t c}{\delta} = (1 - \Delta) \frac{2}{\pi} - (1 - \Delta) \frac{2}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi K}{2} + \Delta K + \frac{\Delta}{3} e^{-3K} - \frac{\Delta}{3} + \\
(-1 + \Delta - \Delta_t + \Delta t) \left[ \frac{K}{\pi(K-1)} \sin \frac{\pi(K-1)}{K} - \frac{K}{\pi(K+1)} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} (K+1) \right] + \\
(\Delta + \Delta t) \left[ \frac{2K\pi}{(36K^2 + \pi^2)} - \frac{2K}{\pi} - \frac{12K^2}{(36K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} \right] + \\
(\Delta_t - \Delta t) \left[ \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} + \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} - \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} \cos \pi \left( 1 - \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} \cos \pi \left( 1 + \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{2}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi K}{2} \right] + \\
\Delta \Delta_t \left[ \frac{K}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{6(9K^2 + \pi^2)} + \frac{\pi^2}{6(9K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} + \frac{3K^2}{(9K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} \right]
\]

Case IV: \( \Delta \geq 0 \) and \( \delta_t > \delta \)

\[
\delta_t, c = \int_0^\delta \left[ 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \right) \right] \times \\
\left[ \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} + \Delta \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{3Y}{\delta}} - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta} \right) \right] dy + \\
\int_0^{\delta_t} \left[ 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} - \Delta_t \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \left( 1 - \sin \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{Y}{\delta_t} \right) \right] \left( 1 - \Delta e^{-\frac{3Y}{\delta}} \right) dy
\]
Integration and simplification for this case result in

\[
\frac{\delta t_c}{\delta} = \frac{2(1-\Delta)}{\pi} + \frac{2\Delta}{3} + K - 1 - (1 + \Delta_t) \cdot \frac{2K}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi}{2K} + \\
\frac{\Delta}{3} e^{-3K} + \Delta_t \left( \frac{K}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{K}{2\pi} \sin \frac{\pi}{K} \right) + \\
(-1 + \Delta - \Delta_t + \Delta_t) \left\{ \frac{K}{\pi(K-1)} \sin \left[ \frac{\pi(K-1)}{2} \right] - \frac{K}{\pi(K+1)} \sin \left[ \frac{\pi(K+1)}{2} \right] \right\} + \\
(\Delta + \Delta_t) \left[ \frac{2Kx}{(36K^2 + \pi^2)} - \frac{2K}{\pi} + \frac{2K}{\pi} \cos \frac{\pi}{2K} - \frac{12K^2}{(36K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} \right] + \\
(\Delta_t - \Delta_t) \left[ \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} + \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} - \frac{1}{\pi(2-K)} \cos \frac{\pi(2-K)}{2K} - \frac{1}{\pi(2+K)} \cos \frac{\pi(2+K)}{2K} \right] + \\
\Delta_t \left[ \frac{1}{\pi} - \frac{K}{2\pi} \sin \frac{\pi}{K} - \frac{\pi^2}{6(9K^2 + \pi^2)} + \frac{3K^2}{(9K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} \right] + \frac{\pi^2}{6(9K^2 + \pi^2)} e^{-3K} \right] 
\]
APPENDIX C

PROCEDURE FOR CALCULATION OF FLOW AND THERMAL BOUNDARY LAYERS

In this appendix the procedure will be explained by which the flow and thermal boundary layers, the heat-transfer coefficients, and the temperature distribution around a body of given shape may be obtained. As outlined previously, the boundary conditions on the surface of the body may be prescribed in two different ways, either by prescribing the coolant velocity $v_w^*$ or by prescribing the blade temperature around the surface. The calculation procedure becomes simpler in the first case and this will be considered first. In addition to the value $v_w^*$, the distribution of the stream velocity $U^*$ just outside the boundary layer around the body has to be known. This velocity distribution may be obtained by any of the known calculation procedures for frictionless flow on bodies without flow separation or it has to be determined experimentally when flow separation occurs. From the velocity $U^*(x)$ the gradient $U^*(x)$ can be found.

The values mentioned have to be transformed into the dimensionless quantities $U(x), U'(x)$, and $v_w$ with the help of equations (4).

Flow Boundary Layer

The aim of this calculation is to determine the momentum thickness $\delta_1$ as a function of the distance $x$ from the stagnation point as measured along the surface of the body.

As a first step, the value $\delta_1$ has to be found at the stagnation point. For this purpose determine $v_w^2/U'$, and read the value $U'\delta_1^2$ from figure 4. This determines the momentum thickness $\delta_1$. The intersection of $U'\delta_1^2$ with the stagnation line in figure 3 determines $\Delta$, the shape parameter for the velocity profile. The velocity profile itself may be determined from equation (22) or equation (24) if it is desired. The required parameters may also be taken from table I.

The momentum thickness along the profile surface is found from equation (37). This first-order linear differential equation may be solved by any of the known procedures. The method of isoclines was used for the solution of the numerical examples described previously. The use of this method will be outlined here. Equation (37) determines the direction of the tangents to the different $\delta_1^2$ curves which satisfy this equation. The task is to find the one curve which contains the $\delta_1$ value calculated previously for the stagnation point. Figure 19 shows the $\delta_1^2$ values as ordinate and the distance $x$ from the stagnation point as abscissa. The directions of the tangents may
be obtained from equation (37) for any point in this figure characterized by a pair of values \( x \) and \( \delta_i^2 \) and may be inserted on the ordinates through a chosen sequence of distances \( x_1, x_2, x_3 \ldots \) along the abscissa for several \( \delta_i^2 \) values. The calculation proceeds for \( x \) and a chosen \( \delta_i \), in the following way: determine \( U'\delta_i^2 \) and \( v_i\delta_i \) and read from figure 3 the value \( \Delta \) and from figure 2, \( f_1 \) and \( f_2 \). Calculate from equation (37), \( d(\delta_i^2)/dx \). Now the direction of the tangent may be inserted in figure 19. The same calculation is repeated for other \( \delta_i^2 \) values and the corresponding directions of the tangents are inserted in figure 19. The same calculation is repeated for the distances \( x_2, x_3 \ldots \) If the distance between these values is chosen small enough, there can be drawn in the figure with good accuracy a curve which starts out with the predetermined value \( \delta_i^2 \) at the stagnation point and is tangent to the straight lines inserted in figure 19. The calculation may be shortened considerably when the curve is inserted step by step after the tangents have been calculated for any value \( x \). Then the correct value \( \delta_i^2 \) for the following distance \( x \) may be guessed from the shape of the curve up to that point and the tangents need to be calculated only in the neighborhood of this value.

The values which will be needed for the calculation may be arranged in a table such as the following:

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The momentum thickness \( \delta_i \) in this table results from the preceding calculation. The shape parameter \( \Delta \) was found in the course of this calculation and the value \( \delta \) may be determined from figure 2.

### Thermal Boundary Layer

The calculation now has to be restricted to a fluid with a certain Prandtl number. The value which characterizes the thermal boundary layer and will be determined in this section is the convection boundary-layer thickness \( \delta_{t,c} \). To find this value at the stagnation point, determine \( v_w\delta_i \) from the preceding table, read from figure 7 or table II \( \delta_{t,c}/\delta \) and \( f_3 \). This determines \( \delta_{t,c} \). Equation (52) determines the local Nusselt number \( Nu_l \) and for the case in which the heat-balance equation (54) is satisfied, equation (55) determines also the temperature ratio \( \Phi \). The shape factor \( \Delta_t \) determining the shape of the temperature profile according to equation (27) may be determined from figure 5 and equation (48).
The convection boundary-layer thickness along the surface of the profile is determined by equation (46). This equation may be solved in the same way as the corresponding flow equation. Figure 20 indicates the procedure. The product $U_{B_{t,c}}$ is plotted over the distance $x$ from the stagnation point. The short straight lines in the figure again indicate the direction of the tangents. It is known from exact solutions that the gradient of any boundary-layer thickness at the stagnation point is zero and that the boundary-layer thickness itself has a finite value. Thus, the curve $U_{B_{t,c}}$ in figure 20 starts out with the value zero and with the inclination $U'S_{t,c}$ for $x = 0$. In order to find the direction of the tangents for any value $x$, for instance $x_1$, assume a value $U_{B_{t,c}}$, calculate $S_{t,c}$ and $S_{t,c}/\delta$, read the value $K$ from figure 6, determine the product $Pr v_0 K$, read $f_3$ from figure 5, and calculate from the heat flow equation (46) the gradient $\frac{d}{dx} (U_{B_{t,c}})$. Insert the corresponding tangent into figure 20 and repeat the calculation for other values $U_{B_{t,c}}$. Now the curve $U_{B_{t,c}}$ which starts out with the value zero for $x = 0$ and with the corresponding inclination may be extended to $x_1$. The calculation is now repeated for the next distance $x_2$, the curve is extended, and this procedure is repeated until the curve is known for the whole length $x$. The result of this calculation gives $S_{t,c}$ and $f_3$. These values may be inserted in a table such as the following:

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The ratio $\frac{Nu}{\sqrt{Re_0}}$ which characterizes the local heat-transfer coefficient is found from equation (52). For the special case that the heat balance equation (54) is fulfilled, equation (55) determines the temperature ratio $\phi$.

The calculation is more tedious when the surface temperature instead of the flow velocity $v_w$ is prescribed along the blade. When the heat balance equation (54) is satisfied, the temperature ratio $\phi$ may be determined as a function of $x$. Now the momentum equation (37) and the heat flow equation (46) have to be solved simultaneously by a trial-and-error procedure. A value $v_w$ is assumed. The calculation procedure described previously is carried out to determine a temperature ratio $\phi$ corresponding to the assumed $v_w$. The calculation has
to be repeated until the determined \( \Phi \) value matches the prescribed value. This calculation has to be carried out stepwise for the distances \( x_1, x_2, x_3, \ldots \).

In some cases heat may be transferred to the surface of the profile by radiation and may flow along the wall of the body by conduction. Then an equation which takes these processes into account has to replace the equation (54). The determination of the coolant flow velocity \( v_w \) which results in a prescribed blade surface temperature may be determined in the same way as was just described. The procedure, however, becomes quite tedious in this case.
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