



**AME 511 – Compressible gas dynamics**

**Units: 3**

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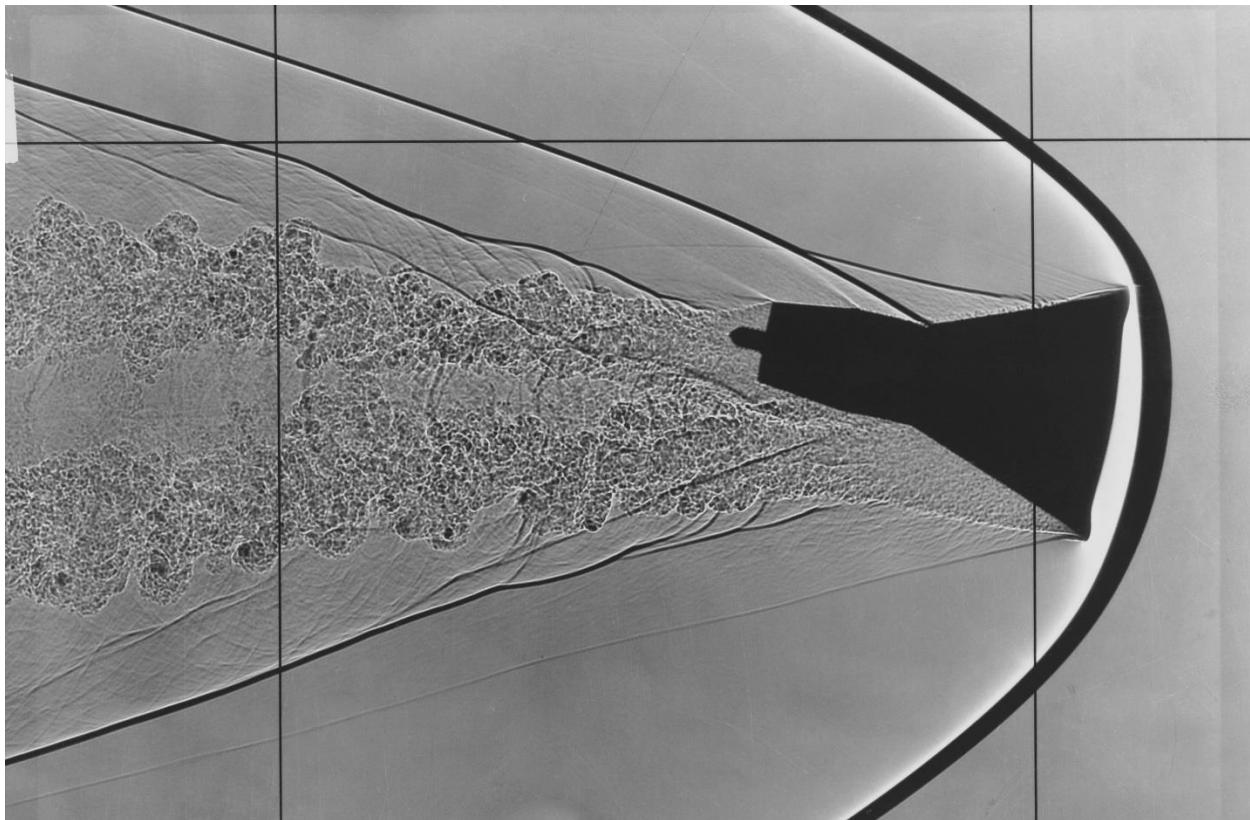


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## **Course Description**

This course provides an introduction to compressible fluid flows, focused on applications in high-speed flight and propulsion. It starts by reviewing classical thermodynamics of gases in equilibrium, and developing the general equations governing compressible flows. Simplified flow types are then described, emphasizing particularizations to calorically perfect gases, including: 1D and quasi-1D steady and unsteady flows, shock/expansion waves and their interactions. Application to nozzles, diffusers, shock-tubes and shock-tunnels will be presented. Potential flow theory under small disturbances is then developed for subsonic, transonic, supersonic and hypersonic flow regimes, with application to aerothermodynamics.

## **Learning Objectives**

- Describe characteristic physical features of different compressible flow regimes (subsonic, transonic, supersonic, and hypersonic).
- Identify and contrast theoretical formulations suitable to mathematically describe each flow regime and explain the range of applicability of the underlying assumptions.
- Solve idealized problems of practical relevance in gas dynamics using differential and integral analytical approaches.
- Explain prevalent aerodynamic design choices seen in state-of-the-art high-speed-flight vehicles from a flow physics standpoint, discussing current technological limitations.

**Prerequisite(s):** N/A

**Co-Requisite(s):** N/A

**Concurrent Enrollment:** N/A

**Recommended Preparation:** introductory courses in fluid- and thermo-dynamics, vectorial and tensorial calculus, and partial differential equations.

## **Course Notes**

- The course uses DEN D2L online services (<https://courses.uscden.net/d2l/login>). All course material, including lecture videos, instructor's notes, slide-show presentations, formula sheets, tables and graphs, and announcements will be posted online in the course website on D2L.
- An online discussion forum will be used through the Piazza platform (<http://www.piazza.com/>). Please submit all questions related to homework, logistics, midterm and final exams to the discussion forum, so that other students can also benefit from the answers. You can submit questions anonymously if you so desire. If you are not automatically enrolled in Piazza, please contact the instructor.
- Videoconferencing is available during office hours for DEN students using the BlueJeans platform (<https://viterbigrad.usc.edu/technical-support/bluejeans/>). Please contact the instructor if interested.

## **Technological Proficiency and Hardware/Software Required**

- Basic use of plotting software will be required for some homework assignments. Any plotting software can be used (e.g., Python's matplotlib, gnuplot, Matlab, Microsoft Excel, etc.)

## **Recommended textbooks**

- John D. Anderson "Modern Compressible Flow," 3rd Ed, McGraw-Hill, Inc.
- Liepmann & Roshko "Elements of Gas Dynamics," Dover Publications.

Paper-based copies of these books are available at USC's Science Library, physically located at 910 Bloom Walk, Los Angeles, CA 90089. Full electronic access to the book by Liepmann & Roshko is also available through USC's online library system (<https://libraries.usc.edu/>) and requires to log in with a USC account.

## **Grading Breakdown**

- Homework: 30% of final grade, distributed evenly across 7 assignments.
- Midterm exam: 30% of final grade.
- Final exam: 40% of final grade.

## **Grading Scale**

Course letter grades will be determined using the following scale from the final numerical grade:

A	91.5-100.0%
A-	82.5-91.5%
B+	75.0-82.5%
B	66.5-75.0%
B-	57.5-66.5%
C+	50.0-57.5%
C	41.5-50.0%
C-	32.5-41.5%
D+	25.0-32.5%
D	16.5-25.0%
D-	8.5-16.5%
F	0.0-8.5%

## **Assignment Submission Policy**

- Each homework assignment should be **submitted electronically as a single PDF file** via the course D2L DEN website (accessible through <https://courses.uscden.net/d2l/login>). If you have a paper-based version of your homework assignment, you can use a scanner or any existing smart phone apps that use the phone camera as a scanner. Please make sure to append all pages into a single PDF document before submitting.
- Ensure that you provide legible and logically organized solutions that explicitly include all necessary steps and assumptions (if any) made. Both hand-written or typed solutions are acceptable.
- Discussion of homework assignments with your classmates is allowed but each student should develop and write their own original solution.
- Late submission of homework assignments will be penalized by a 25% deduction in the assignment grade every 24 hours late, unless due to an emergency situation excused by the instructor. Email the instructor as soon as possible to discuss alternate arrangements due to an emergency.

## **Grading Timeline**

- Graded annotated homework assignments and respective numerical grades will be available online through the DEN D2L course website within approximately 10 days after the submission deadline.

## **Additional Policies**

- Although not required for any in-class work, use of technology (such as personal electronic devices) by the students is allowed in the classroom as long as it is not disruptive to anyone else attending the lectures.
- Students who require a laptop to complete any of their work can check one out through the Laptop Loaner Program <https://itservices.usc.edu/spaces/laptoploaner/>

## Course Schedule: A Weekly Breakdown

Week	Topics/Daily Activities	HW	Due Dates
1	Introduction; concepts from classical thermodynamics	1	Week 2
2	Conservation laws in integral and differential form	2	Week 4
3	Crocco's theorem, constitutive equations, indicial form		
4	Rotational and irrotational (potential) flow. Sound speed and Mach number. One-dimensional steady compressible flow.	3	Week 7
5	Normal shock waves One-dimensional steady flow with heat addition (Rayleigh flow)		
6	One-dimensional adiabatic steady flow with friction (Fanno flow) Oblique shocks; hodograph, shock polar, pressure-deflection plane	4	Week 9
7	Regular and singular (Mach) shock reflections Prandtl-Meyer expansions Shock-expansion theory; wave drag; aerodynamic coefficients		
8	<b>MIDTERM (February 28, 2019 – SLH 100 – 6:40pm-8:40pm)</b>		
9	Wave reflections, intersections and interactions Oblique shocks in wedges, cones and blunt bodies Crocco's theorem applied to shock waves	5	Week 11
10	Quasi-one-dimensional steady isentropic flow Area-Mach relations; Riemann invariants; 1D unsteady homentropic flow Nozzles, diffusers and wind tunnels		
11	Unsteady wave motion; acoustic, finite and shock wave propagation Reflection of a propagating shock Propagation and reflection of centered expansion waves	6	Week 13
12	Shock-tubes and shock-tunnels Potential flow and linearized potential theory		
13	Transonic flow	7	Week 15
14	Hypersonic flow		
15	High-temperature gases; non-equilibrium; viscous effects		
	<b>FINAL EXAM (May 2, 2019 – 7-9pm)</b>		TBA

## **Statement on Academic Conduct and Support Systems**

### **Academic Conduct:**

Plagiarism – presenting someone else’s ideas as your own, either verbatim or recast in your own words – is a serious academic offense with serious consequences. Please familiarize yourself with the discussion of plagiarism in *SCampus* in Part B, Section 11, “Behavior Violating University Standards” [policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b](http://policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b). Other forms of academic dishonesty are equally unacceptable. See additional information in *SCampus* and university policies on scientific misconduct, <http://policy.usc.edu/scientific-misconduct>.

### **Support Systems:**

*Student Counseling Services (SCS)* – (213) 740-7711 – 24/7 on call

Free and confidential mental health treatment for students, including short-term psychotherapy, group counseling, stress fitness workshops, and crisis intervention. [engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling](http://engemannshc.usc.edu/counseling)

*National Suicide Prevention Lifeline* – 1 (800) 273-8255

Provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. [www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

*Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention Services (RSVP)* – (213) 740-4900 – 24/7 on call

Free and confidential therapy services, workshops, and training for situations related to gender-based harm. [engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp](http://engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp)

*Sexual Assault Resource Center*

For more information about how to get help or help a survivor, rights, reporting options, and additional resources, visit the website: [sarc.usc.edu](http://sarc.usc.edu)

*Office of Equity and Diversity (OED)/Title IX Compliance* – (213) 740-5086

Works with faculty, staff, visitors, applicants, and students around issues of protected class. [equity.usc.edu](http://equity.usc.edu)

*Bias Assessment Response and Support*

Incidents of bias, hate crimes and microaggressions need to be reported allowing for appropriate investigation and response. [studentaffairs.usc.edu/bias-assessment-response-support](http://studentaffairs.usc.edu/bias-assessment-response-support)

*The Office of Disability Services and Programs*

Provides certification for students with disabilities and helps arrange relevant accommodations. [dsp.usc.edu](http://dsp.usc.edu)

*Student Support and Advocacy* – (213) 821-4710

Assists students and families in resolving complex issues adversely affecting their success as a student EX: personal, financial, and academic. [studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa](http://studentaffairs.usc.edu/ssa)

*Diversity at USC*

Information on events, programs and training, the Diversity Task Force (including representatives for each school), chronology, participation, and various resources for students. [diversity.usc.edu](http://diversity.usc.edu)

*USC Emergency Information*

Provides safety and other updates, including ways in which instruction will be continued if an officially declared emergency makes travel to campus infeasible. [emergency.usc.edu](http://emergency.usc.edu)

*USC Department of Public Safety* – UPC: (213) 740-4321 – HSC: (323) 442-1000 – 24-hour emergency or to report a crime.

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