

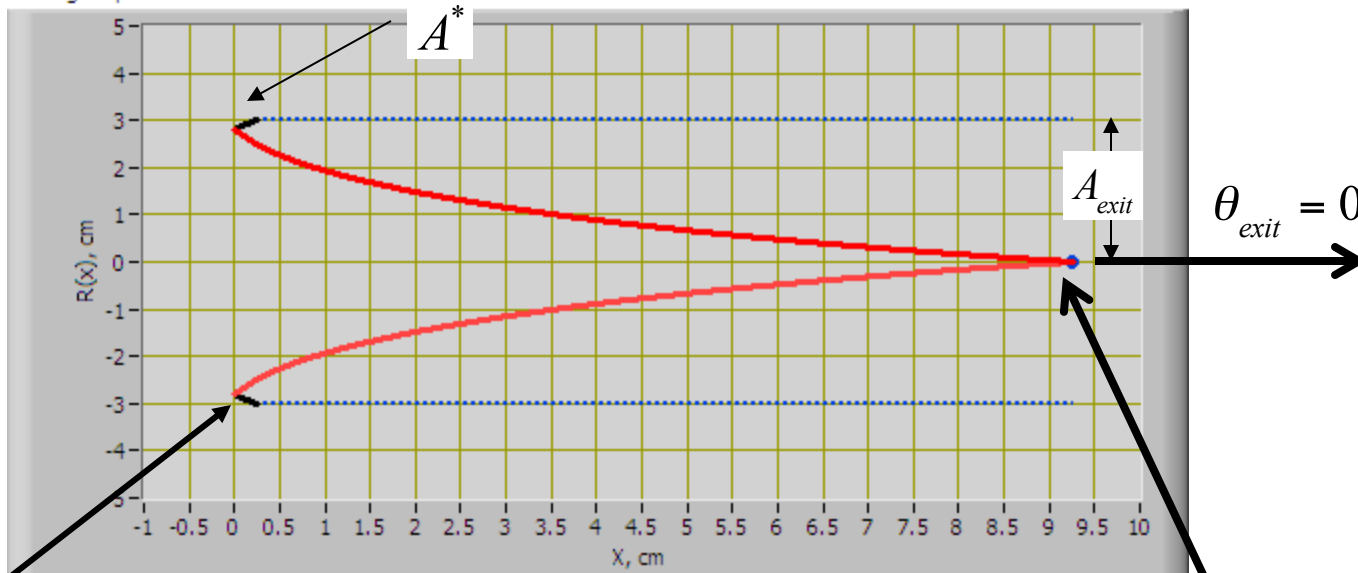
Homework *1.3, Part 2 Solution*

- 1) Re-derive the Conical (3-D)
Aerospike Contour Design
Rules (*Slide 31*) for a two
dimensional (Linear) Nozzle

2-D Nozzle Contour Design, Choked throat

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (1)

Design Spike Contour



$$v_{throat} = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1}} \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1}} (1^2 - 1) \right\} - \tan^{-1} \sqrt{1^2 - 1} = 0$$

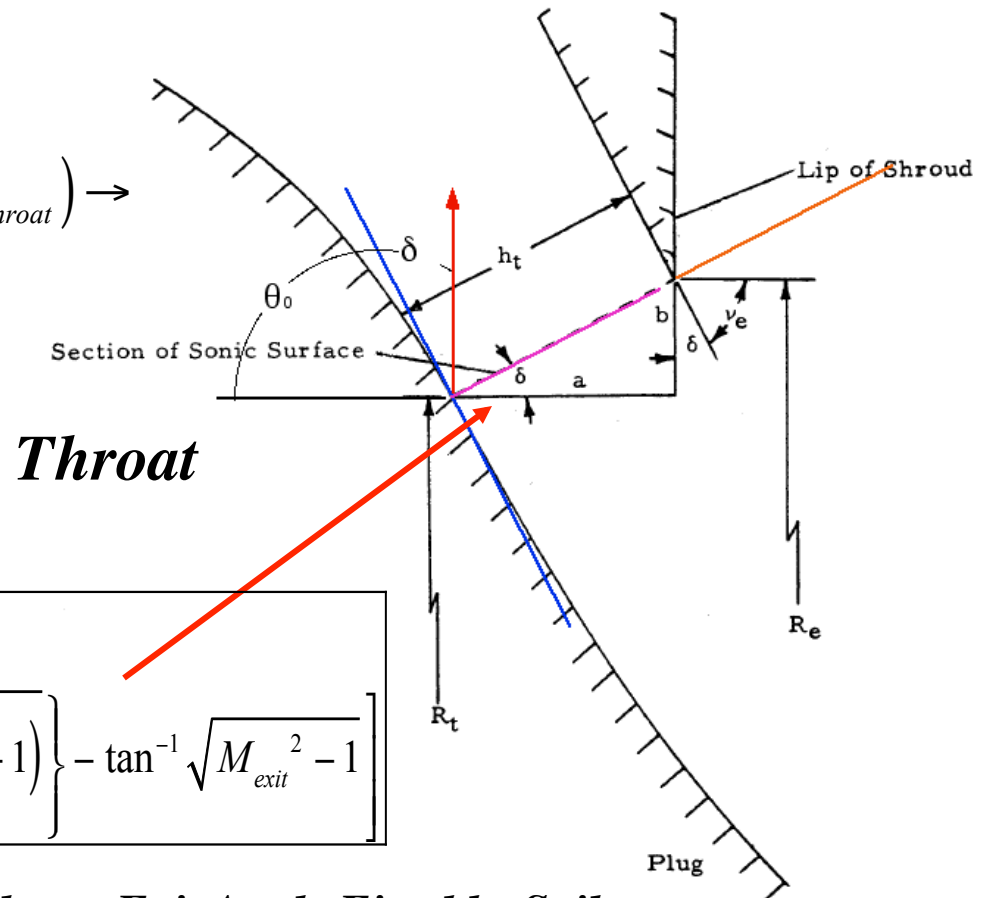
$$\frac{A_{exit}}{A^*} = \left[\frac{1}{M_{exit}} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{(\gamma-1)}{2} M_{exit}^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (2)

$$\theta_{throat} + v_{throat} = \theta_x + v_x = \theta_{exit} + v_{exit}$$

$$\delta = 90^\circ - \theta_{throat} = 90^\circ - (\theta_{exit} + v_{exit} - v_{throat}) \rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow v_{throat} = 0, \theta_{exit} = 0$$



$$\delta = 90^\circ - (v_{exit}) =$$

$$\rightarrow 90^\circ - \left[(M_{exit}) = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma - 1}} \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma - 1}{\gamma + 1}} (M_{exit}^2 - 1) \right\} - \tan^{-1} \sqrt{M_{exit}^2 - 1} \right]$$

Throat Exit Angle Fixed by Spike
Design expansion ratio

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (3)

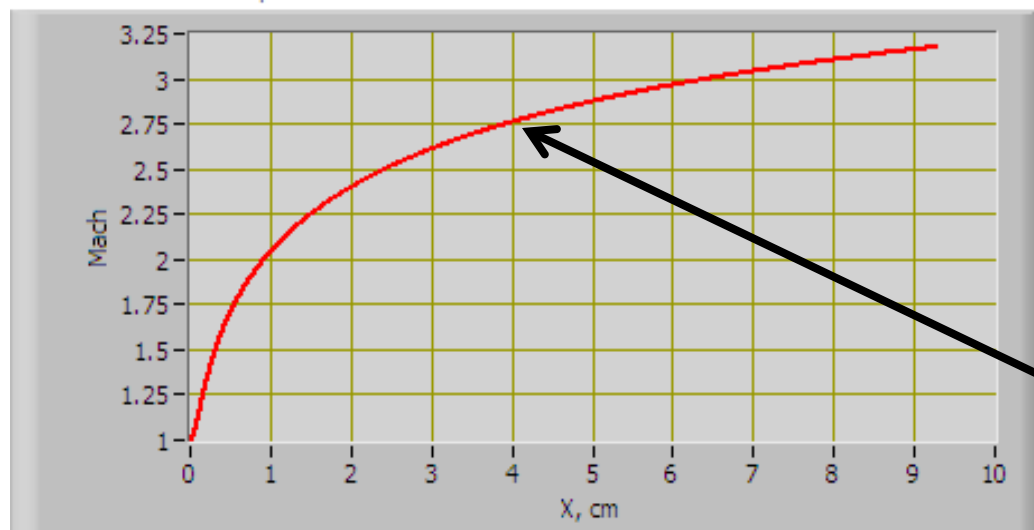
$$\theta_x + v_x = v_{exit}$$

$$\theta_x = \left[\sqrt{\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1}} \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1}} (M_{exit}^2 - 1) \right\} - \tan^{-1} \sqrt{M_{exit}^2 - 1} \right] -$$

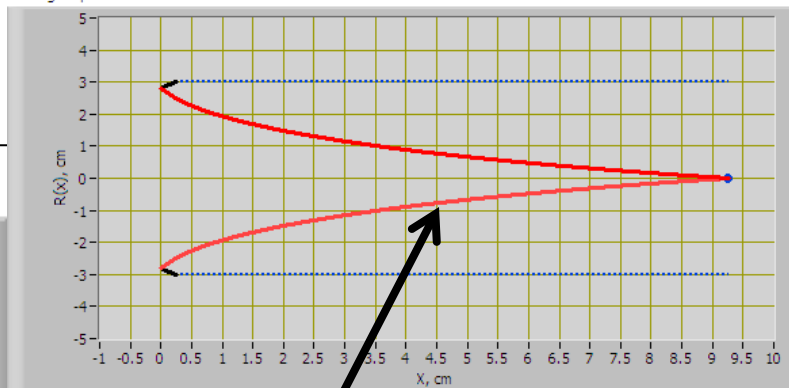
$$\rightarrow \left[\sqrt{\frac{\gamma+1}{\gamma-1}} \tan^{-1} \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma+1}} (M_x^2 - 1) \right\} - \tan^{-1} \sqrt{M_x^2 - 1} \right]$$

Along spike surface

Mach Number on Spike



Design Spike Contour

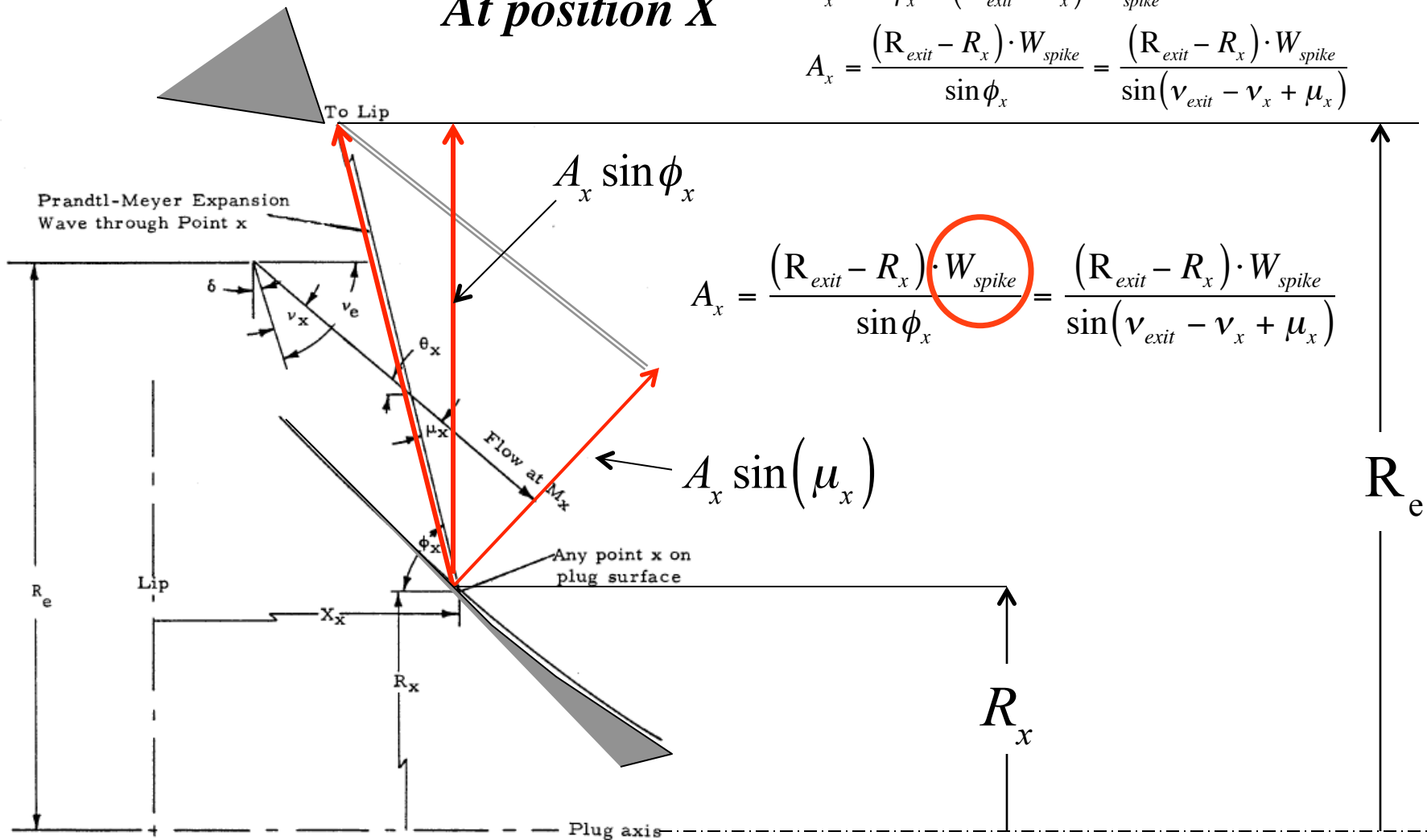


2-D
Plug Geometry
At position X

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi_x &= \theta_x + \mu_x \\ \theta_x &= \nu_{exit} - \nu_x \end{aligned} \right| \rightarrow \phi_x = \nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x$$

$$A_x \cdot \sin \phi_x = (R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike} \rightarrow$$

$$A_x = \frac{(R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike}}{\sin \phi_x} = \frac{(R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike}}{\sin(\nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x)}$$

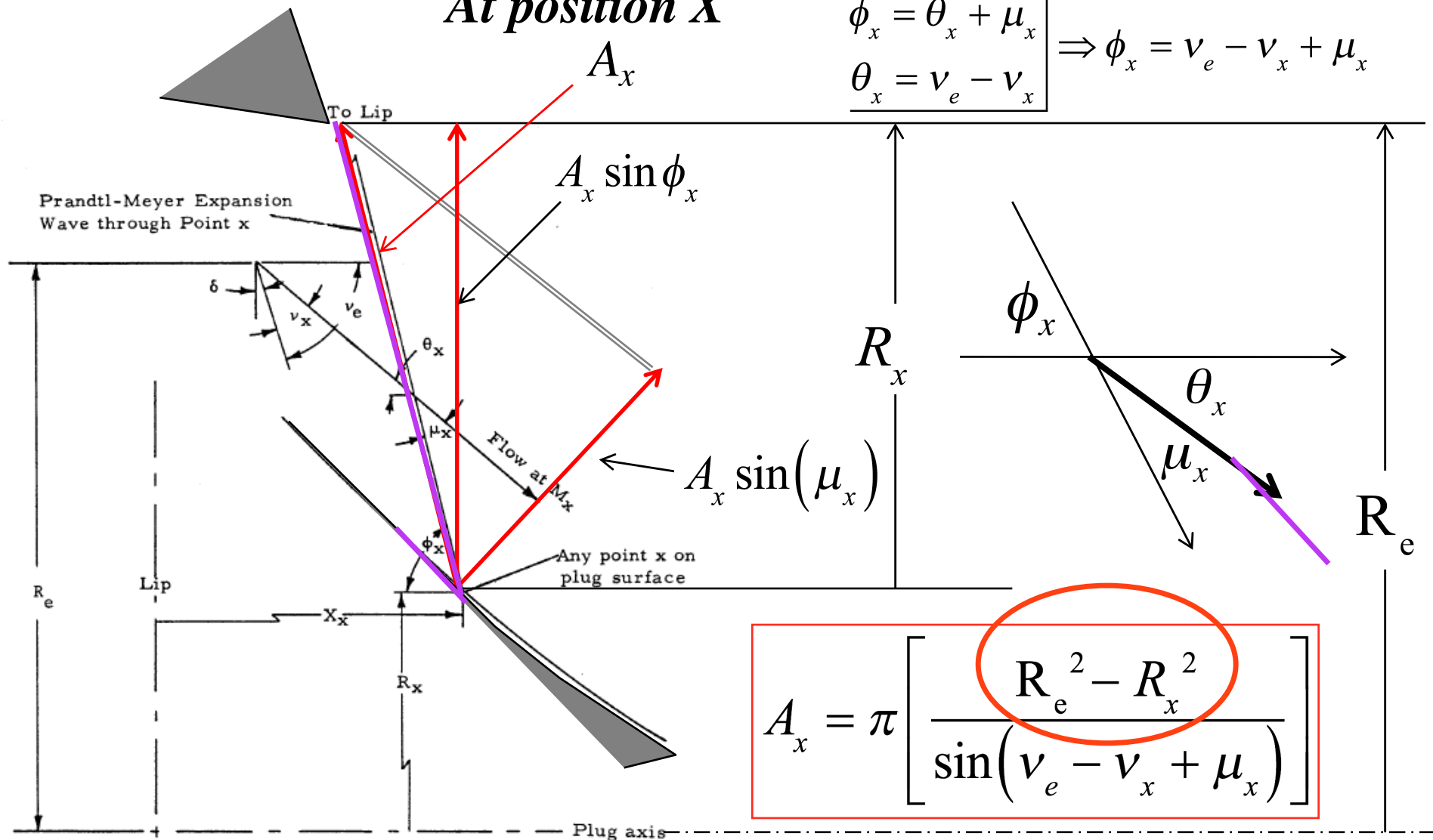


$$A_x = \frac{(R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike}}{\sin \phi_x} = \frac{(R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike}}{\sin(\nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x)}$$

Compare to 3-D
Plug Geometry
At position X

$$A_x \sin \phi_x = \pi \left[R_e^2 - R_x^2 \right]$$

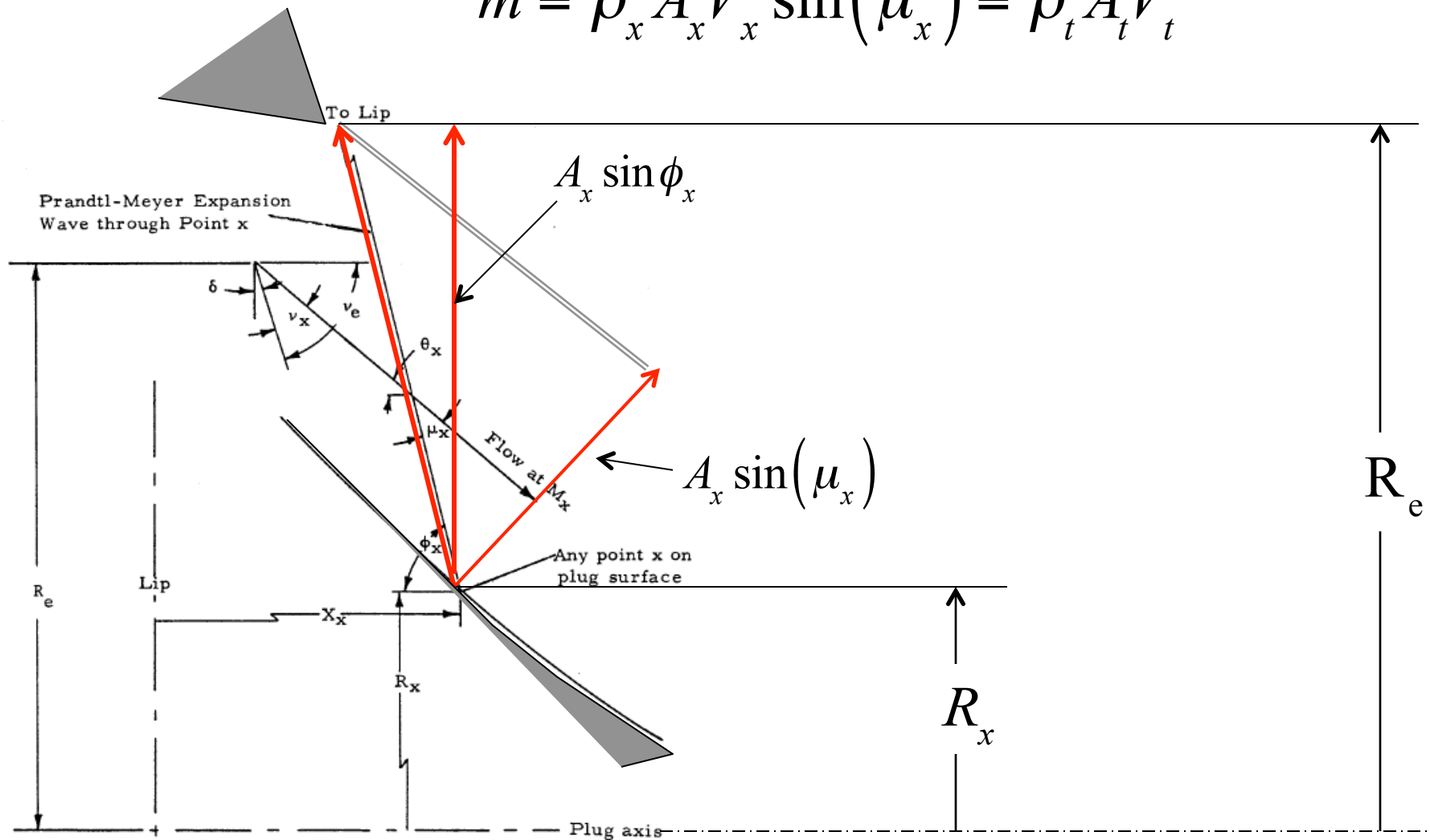
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \phi_x &= \theta_x + \mu_x \\ \theta_x &= v_e - v_x \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \phi_x = v_e - v_x + \mu_x$$



$$A_x = \pi \left[\frac{R_e^2 - R_x^2}{\sin(v_e - v_x + \mu_x)} \right]$$

Apply Continuity equation

$$\dot{m} = \rho_x A_x V_x \sin(\mu_x) = \rho_t A_t V_t$$



Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (5)

- Solving for A_x

$$\text{Solve for } A_x \rightarrow A_x = \frac{\rho_t \cdot A_t}{\rho_x \cdot \frac{V_x}{V_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x} = \frac{P_t \cdot A_t}{P_x \sqrt{\frac{T_t}{T_x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{T_t}}{V_t} \cdot \frac{V_x}{\sqrt{T_x}} \cdot \sin \mu_x} = \frac{P_t \cdot A_t}{P_x \sqrt{\frac{T_t}{T_x}} \cdot \frac{M_x}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x}$$

- Divide by throat area

$$\rightarrow \frac{A_x}{A_t} = \frac{P_t}{P_x \sqrt{\frac{T_t}{T_x}} \cdot \frac{M_x}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x} = \frac{\frac{P_0}{P_x} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{T_x}{T_0}}}{\frac{P_0}{P_t} \sqrt{\frac{T_t}{T_0}} \cdot \frac{M_x}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)}} \frac{1}{M_x}}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_t^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_t^2\right)}} \frac{1}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x}$$

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle ⁽⁶⁾

- Simplifying

$$\frac{A_x}{A_t} = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_x}}{\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_t^2\right)^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x} = \frac{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)\right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_x}}{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_t^2\right)\right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_t} \cdot \sin \mu_x}$$

$$\frac{A_t}{A^*} = \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_t^2\right)\right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_t} \rightarrow \frac{A_x}{A_t} = \frac{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)\right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_x}}{\frac{A_t}{A^*} \cdot \sin \mu_x}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{A_x}{A_t} \cdot \frac{A_t}{A^*} = \frac{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma+1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{\gamma-1}{2} \cdot M_x^2\right)\right]^{\frac{\gamma+1}{2(\gamma-1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_x}}{\sin \mu_x}}$$

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle ⁽⁷⁾

- Simplifying again

$$\text{Simplify} \rightarrow A_x = A^* \frac{\left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{M_x}}{\sin \mu_x} \rightarrow \sin \mu_x = \frac{1}{M_x}$$

$$A_x = A^* \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}} = \frac{A_{exit}}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

$$A_{exit} = R_{exit} \cdot W_{spike} \rightarrow A_x = \frac{R_{exit} \cdot W_{spike}}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (8)

- Solve for R_x

$$\text{from earlier} \rightarrow A_x = \frac{(R_{exit} - R_x) \cdot W_{spike}}{\sin(\nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x)} = \frac{R_{exit} \cdot W_{spike}}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

$$\text{Solve for } R_x \rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{R_x}{R_{exit}} \right) = \frac{\sin(\nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x)}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

$$\frac{R_x}{R_{exit}} = 1 - \frac{\sin(\nu_{exit} - \nu_x + \mu_x)}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

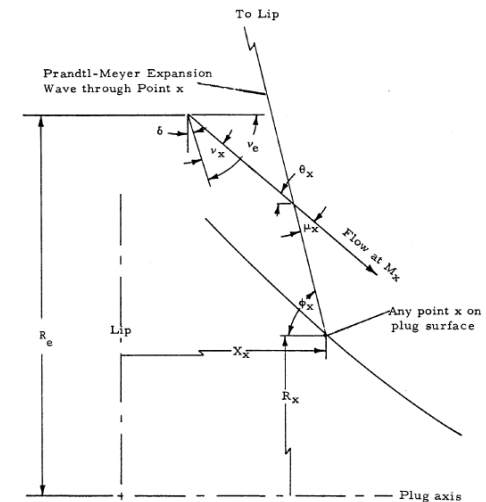
Apply Method of Characteristics to Aerospike Nozzle (9)

- and since by geometry of the surface

$$\text{Surface geometry} \rightarrow \tan \phi_x = \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{X_x} \rightarrow \text{from earlier} \rightarrow \phi_x = v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x$$

2 - D Spike Contour Lines

$$\left[\begin{aligned} X_x &= \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{\tan(v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x)} \\ R_x &= R_{exit} \left(1 - \frac{\sin(v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x)}{\epsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}} \right) \\ \sin \mu_x &= \frac{1}{M_x} \quad \tan \phi_x = \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{X_x} \quad \phi_x = v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x \end{aligned} \right]$$



**2-D Nozzle
Algorithm**

- These equations define the isentropic spike profile

Compare to 3-D Nozzle Algorithm Aerospike Nozzle

$$\tan \phi_x = \frac{R_e - R_x}{X_x} \rightarrow \phi_x = \nu_e - \nu_x + \mu_x \rightarrow$$

$$X_x = \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{\tan(\nu_e - \nu_x + \mu_x)}$$

$$R_x = R_{exit} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin(\nu_e - \nu_x + \mu_x)}{\varepsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}$$

$$\sin(\mu_x) = \frac{1}{M_x}$$

*Note “Square Root”
Sign*

Compare 2-D and 3-D Spike Contours

Surface geometry $\rightarrow \tan \phi_x = \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{X_x} \rightarrow \text{from earlier} \rightarrow \phi_x = v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x$

2 - D Spike Contour Lines

**2-D Nozzle
Algorithm**

$$\begin{aligned} X_x &= \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{\tan(v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x)} \\ R_x &= R_{exit} \left(1 - \frac{\sin(v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x)}{\epsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} \cdot M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}} \right) \\ \sin \mu_x &= \frac{1}{M_x} \quad \tan \phi_x = \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{X_x} \quad \phi_x = v_{exit} - v_x + \mu_x \end{aligned}$$

$$\tan \phi_x = \frac{R_e - R_x}{X_x} \rightarrow \phi_x = v_e - v_x + \mu_x \rightarrow$$

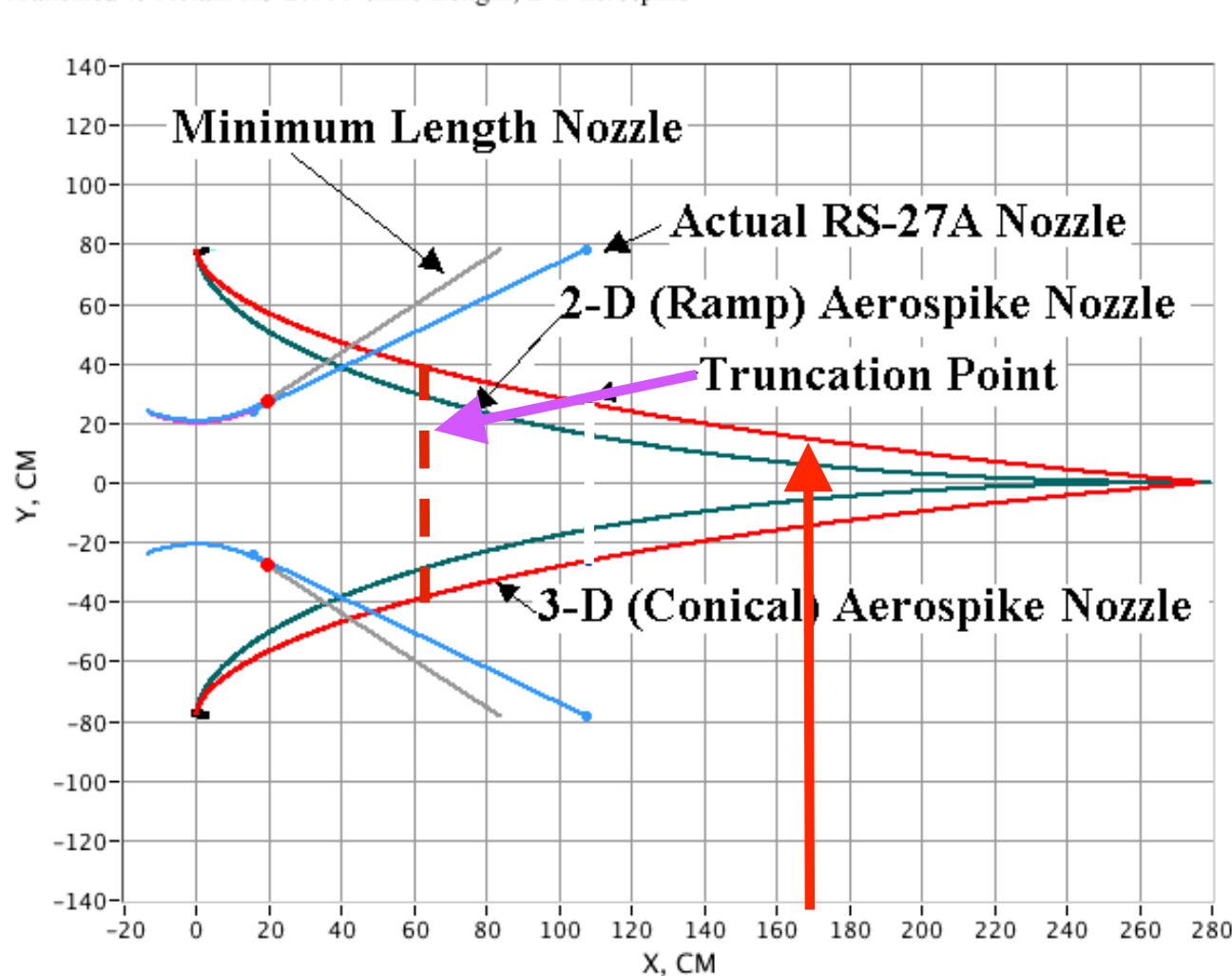
**3-D Nozzle
Algorithm**

$$\begin{aligned} X_x &= \frac{R_{exit} - R_x}{\tan(v_e - v_x + \mu_x)} \\ R_x &= R_{exit} \sqrt{1 - \frac{\sin(v_e - v_x + \mu_x)}{\epsilon} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\gamma + 1} \right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_x^2 \right) \right]^{\frac{\gamma + 1}{2(\gamma - 1)}}} \end{aligned}$$

**Note “Square Root”
Sign**

Include 2-D Spike Contour on Plot

RS-27A, Comparison of Actual Nozzle, Minimum Length Nozzle,
Full 3-D Aerospike Nozzle of Equivalent Expansion Ratio, and Aerospike Nozzle
Truncated to Actual RS-27A Nozzle Length, 2-D aerospike



Operating Altitude, km

0

Design Altitude, km

8.16812

- 3-D “flow relief” effect
- Allows conical Aerospike to “turn corner” faster than 2-D spike and still preserve isentropic flow

Physical Aspects of Cone Flow (Anderson)

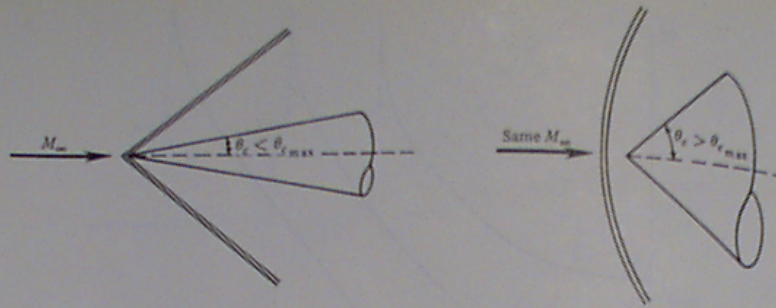
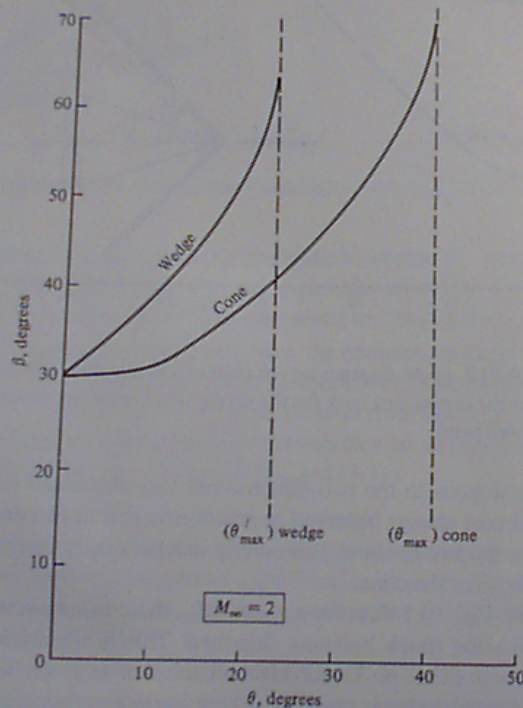


Figure 10.6 | Attached and detached shock waves on cones.



- Three-dimensional “relieving” effect
- Cone shock wave is Effectively weaker Than shock wave for Corresponding wedge angle