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S. Prager


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S. Prager

Tables of supersonic flow around cones. By the staff of the Computing Section, Center of Analysis, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Electrical Engineering. Under the direction of Zdenek Kopal. Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1947. xviii + 555 pp. $5.00.

The introduction to this volume is a concise review of the derivation of the ordinary non-linear differential equation defining the supersonic flow of a compressible fluid past a circular cone and a statement of the relations among the state variables on either side of the shock implied by such a flow. The remainder of the book is a tabulation of the numerically obtained solutions of this problem.

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G. F. Carrier


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Arthur Kantrowitz