

Tutorial solutions

1. A shock wave travels along a copper bar with a velocity of 5km/s .
- Determine the sound speed in the copper bar, before and after the shock.
 - Determine the pressure in the bar after the shock.
 - Determine the particle velocity in the bar after the shock.

You may need the following data. For copper, the shock velocity D is linearly related to the particle velocity u as

$$D = c_0 + su ,$$

where $c_0 = 3.940\text{km/s}$, $s = 1.489$. The Young's modulus and the density of the copper at rest are 120GPa and 8.930g/cm^3 , respectively.

Solution:

- (a) Shock velocity
 $D = 5\text{km/s}$

Particle velocity

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \frac{D - c_0}{s} \\ &= \frac{5 - 3.94}{1.489} \text{km/s} \\ &= 0.712\text{km/s} \end{aligned}$$

Before shock:

Density: $\rho_0 = 8.93\text{g/cm}^3$

Sound speed: $\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho_0}} = \sqrt{\frac{120 \times 10^9}{8.93 \times 10^3}} = 3.7\text{km/s}$

After shock:

Density: $\rho_1 = \rho_0 \frac{D}{D - u} = 8.93 \times \frac{5}{5 - 0.712} \text{g/cm}^3 = 10.4\text{g/cm}^3$

Sound speed: $\sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho_1}} = \sqrt{\frac{120 \times 10^9}{10.4 \times 10^3}} = 3.4\text{km/s}$

(assuming that Young's modulus is not changed after shock)

- (b) Pressure in the bar after the shock:

$$P = \rho_0 D u = 8.93 \times 5 \times 0.712 \text{GPa} = 32 \text{GPa}$$

- (c) Particle velocity in the bar after the shock:

$$u = 0.712\text{km/s}$$

2. A slab made of aluminum (flying in the air at 2km/s) strikes the slab made of copper (at rest), and keeps pressing to sustain the pressure. Calculate

- (a) the particle velocity and pressure at the interface between aluminum and copper slabs;
- (b) the velocity of the shock wave generated in the aluminum slab;
- (c) the velocity of the shock wave generated in the copper slab.

Solution:

(a) impact velocity: $u_{imp} = 2\text{km/s}$

Particle velocity at interface: u

Pressure at interface: P

In copper: (reference system is with copper at rest)

Shock velocity in copper: D_{Cu}

$$P = \rho_{0Cu} D_{Cu} u . \quad (1)$$

$$D_{Cu} = c_{0Cu} + s_{Cu} u , \quad (2)$$

where from problem 1, $c_{0Cu} = 3.940 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$, $s_{Cu} = 1.489$, $\rho_{0Cu} = 8.93 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

In aluminum: (reference system is with aluminum flying at the velocity of u_{imp})

In this reference system, shock velocity and particle velocity in aluminum are denoted as D_{Al} and u_{Al} , respectively. One has the following relations:

$$P = \rho_{0Al} D_{Al} u_{Al} . \quad (3)$$

$$u_{imp} - u_{Al} = u . \quad (4)$$

$$D_{Al} = c_{0Al} + s_{Al} u_{Al} , \quad (5)$$

where $c_{0Al} = 5.328 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$, $s_{Al} = 1.338$, $\rho_{0Al} = 2.785 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

From Eqs. (1) - (5), one has the equation for u

$$\begin{aligned} & (\rho_{0Al} s_{Al} - \rho_{0Cu} s_{Cu}) u^2 - (\rho_{0Al} c_{0Al} + 2\rho_{0Al} s_{Al} u_{imp} + c_{0Cu} \rho_{0Cu}) u \\ & + \rho_{0Al} u_{imp} (c_{0Al} + s_{Al} u_{imp}) = 0 \end{aligned} . \quad (3)$$

Solving the equation, $u = 0.63\text{km/s}$.

Substitute to Eq. (1), pressure $P = 27\text{GPa}$.

(b) From Eq. (5) $D_{Al} = 7.2\text{km/s}$.

(c) From Eq. (2) $D_{Cu} = 4.9\text{km/s}$.

3. A slab made of copper (flying in the air at 2km/s) strikes the slab made of aluminum copper (at rest), and keeps pressing to sustain the pressure. Calculate

- (a) the particle velocity and pressure at the interface between aluminum and copper slabs;
- (c) the velocity of the shock wave generated in the aluminum slab;
- (d) the velocity of the shock wave generated in the copper slab.

Solution:

(a) impact velocity: $u_{imp} = 2\text{km/s}$

Particle velocity at interface: u

Pressure at interface: P

In aluminum (reference system is with aluminum at rest)

Shock velocity in aluminum D_{Al}

$$P = \rho_{0Al} D_{Al} u . \quad (1)$$

$$D_{Al} = c_{0Al} + s_{Al} u , \quad (2)$$

In copper: (reference system is with copper flying at the velocity of u_{imp})

In this reference system, shock velocity and particle velocity in copper are denoted as D_{Cu} and u_{Cu} , respectively. One has the following relations:

$$P = \rho_{0Cu} D_{Cu} u_{Cu} . \quad (3)$$

$$u_{imp} - u_{Cu} = u . \quad (4)$$

$$D_{Cu} = c_{0Cu} + s_{Cu} u_{Cu} . \quad (5)$$

From Eqs. (1) - (5), one has the equation for u

$$\begin{aligned} & (\rho_{0Cu} s_{Cu} - \rho_{0Al} s_{Al}) u^2 - (\rho_{0Cu} c_{0Cu} + 2\rho_{0Cu} s_{Cu} u_{imp} + c_{0Al} \rho_{0Al}) u \\ & + \rho_{0Cu} u_{imp} (c_{0Cu} + s_{Cu} u_{imp}) = 0 \end{aligned} . \quad (3)$$

Solving the above equation, take the solution $u = 1.4\text{km/s}$ ($< u_{imp}$).

Substitute to Eq. (1), pressure $P = 27\text{GPa}$.

(b) From Eq. (2) $D_{Al} = 7.2\text{km/s}$.

(c) From Eq. (5) $D_{Cu} = 4.9\text{km/s}$.

4. An explosive of 500kg TNT charge detonates at 60m underwater. Can this be treated as a deep underwater explosion? Estimate the maximum bubble diameter and oscillation period for the first bubble pulsation cycle, assuming 50% of the explosive energy contributes to the bubble expansion.

Solution:

The yield of the explosive is

$$500 \times 2.2 = 1100 \text{ lb of TNT.}$$

Therefore, $W = 1100$.

The explosive is placed about

$$60 \text{ meter} = 196.8 \text{ ft}$$

under the water level. Therefore, $d = 196.8$.

Since

$$\frac{d}{W^{1/3}} = \frac{196.8}{1100^{1/3}} = 19 > 16,$$

so this is a deep underwater explosion.

The hydrostatic pressure at the burst point is

$$\begin{aligned} P &\approx \rho g d + 1 \text{ atm} \\ &= 1 \times 10^3 \times 9.8 \times 60 \text{ Pa} + 1.01 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa} \\ &= 6.89 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa} \end{aligned}$$

where $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ is the gravity.

The energy available in the TNT is $4.84 \times 10^6 \text{ J/kg}$. So the total explosive energy is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{total}} &= 500 \times 4.84 \times 10^6 \text{ J} \\ &= 2.4 \times 10^9 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

The energy contribute to the bubble expansion is

$$\begin{aligned} E &= E_{\text{total}} \times 50\% \\ &= 1.2 \times 10^9 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

The maximum bubble radius for the first cycle can be estimated as

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{max}} &= J \left(\frac{E}{P} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= 0.58 \times \left(\frac{1.2 \times 10^9}{6.89 \times 10^5} \right)^{1/3} \\ &= 7.0 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Oscillation period for the first bubble pulsation cycle

$$\begin{aligned} T &= K \frac{E^{1/3}}{\rho^{5/6}} \sqrt{\rho} \\ &= 1.12 \times \frac{(1.2 \times 10^9)^{1/3}}{(6.89 \times 10^5)^{5/6}} \sqrt{10^3} \text{ s} . \\ &= 0.51 \text{ s} \end{aligned}$$