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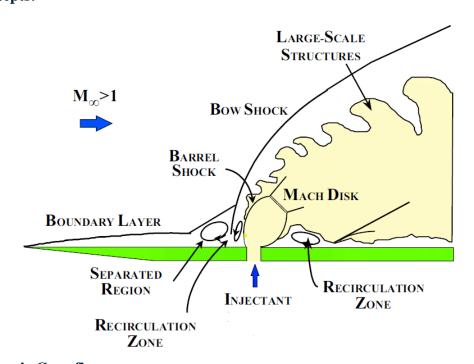
Course : 23ASB201 - Aerospace Propulsion

# UNIT V - PERFORMANCE OF AEROSPACE VEHICLES

# **Visualization of Secondary Injection in Supersonic Cross Flows**

Secondary injection in a supersonic crossflow involves introducing a secondary jet (often fuel) into a high-speed airflow stream, typically for fuel atomization or mixing in scramjet engines, resulting in complex flow phenomena like bow shocks and mixing enhancement.

# **Key Concepts:**



# • Supersonic Crossflow:

A flow where the fluid (usually air) is moving at a speed greater than the speed of sound.

# • Secondary Injection:

The introduction of a secondary fluid (like fuel) into the supersonic crossflow.

#### • Fuel Atomization:

Breaking down liquid fuel into fine droplets to improve combustion efficiency.

# • Scramjet Engines:

Supersonic combustion ramjet engines operate at supersonic speeds.

Flow Phenomena:

#### Bow Shock:

A shock wave forms in front of the secondary jet as it interacts with the supersonic crossflow.

# • Shock Wave-Boundary Layer Interaction (SWBLI):

Interactions between the shock waves and the boundary layer (a thin layer of fluid near a surface) can lead to complex flow patterns.

# • Mixing Enhancement:

The secondary injection can enhance the mixing of the fuel and air, leading to more efficient combustion.

# • Penetration Depth:

The distance the secondary jet penetrates the crossflow is affected by factors like injection pressure and crossflow conditions.

# Curved Pylons:

Using curved pylons can enhance mixing and penetration by creating counter-rotating vortices.

# **Applications:**

# • Scramjet Engines:

Secondary injection is a common method for fuel atomization and mixing in scramjet engines.

### • Hypersonic Propulsion:

Understanding and controlling secondary injection is crucial for developing efficient hypersonic propulsion systems.

# **Research Areas:**

- **Mixing Characteristics:** Studying how the secondary jet mixes with the crossflow.
- **Penetration Depth:** Investigating the factors that affect how far the jet penetrates the crossflow.
- **Shock Wave Structures:** Analyzing the formation and behavior of bow shocks and other shock waves.
- **Pylon Geometry:** Exploring different pylon geometries to optimize mixing and penetration.
- **Pulsed Injection:** Studying the effects of injecting the secondary fluid in a pulsed manner.