

THE CALCULUS OF VARIATIONS
AND
ITS APPLICATION TO
TRAJECTORY PROBLEMS

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Abstract

The Theory of the Calculus of Variations is very useful in solving problems of the Bolza Type. In view of this fact, the general theory is set forth and several problems dealing with the pertinent sections of the theory are worked out.

Because of the setup of trajectory problems, they lend themselves well to the application of the theory. The trajectory problems dealt with in this paper are:

A. Non - constrained problems

1. No drag case
2. Drag as a linear ^{function} ~~variation~~ of velocity ($\bar{D} = k\bar{q}$)

B. Constrained problem

No drag case

The problems dealt with assume a flat earth approximation, constant acceleration of gravity independent of altitude, and when dealing with the drag case, the coefficient of drag and the density are constant and independent of velocity and altitude. The objective of all three problems was to maximize the range.

An IBM-360 Digital Computer aided in producing numerical output and the following graphs were drawn:

1. The effect of drag on plots of altitude versus range for various ~~mass~~ propellant flow rates.
2. Plots of altitude versus range for constant mass propellant flow rate but various k (drag proportionality constant).
3. Time History of velocity & Lagrange multipliers for the no drag and drag ($\bar{D} = k\bar{q}$) cases. ($k=1$).

From solution of these problems and the numerical output it is apparent that the Calculus of ^{variation} ~~variation~~ is useful in solving simple problems. However the difficulty of the ~~variation~~ ^{problem} lies in solving for the Lagrange multipliers for this reason as the complexities of the problems increase so does the engineer's reliance on numerical methods to solve these problems.

Introduction

In the last twenty years or so, the use of variational methods has become more pronounced in fields dealing with the sciences and engineering. The versatility of the variational methods is shown in its application to problems in dynamics, elasticity, optics and fluid dynamics. These methods so popular today were uncommon in optimal problems in the astronautics field two decades ago. Through the work of Kelley's steepest descent method, Bellman's dynamic programming, and contributions to the art by people such as Leitmann, Breakwell, Miele and Lawden, the use of variational technique in the aerospace fields has become a commonplace occurrence.

Because of the complexities of the problems encountered in actual practice, necessity often dictates the use of numerical techniques for solutions to be obtained. However, problems can often be idealized and simplified in such a manner that analytical solutions may be available. Such solutions can then serve as first approximations, and afford insight into related practical, though more complicated, problems.

The most general variational method is the calculus of variations; it is a branch of calculus whose function is similar to the theory of maxima and minima. It concerns itself with the variation of functional expressions and their behavior as maxima or minima conditions are imposed. Whereas the theory of maxima and minima deals with distinct points, variational calculus deals with an infinite set of points which identify a curve in two-dimensional problems, a surface in three-dimensional problems or more complex surfaces for

higher dimensional problems.²

The most general problem to be solved by variational methods is the Bolza problem. The problem involves the minimization or maximization of a functional of the form $J = A + I$, where A depends on the end condition of the state and control functions while I is an integral depending on the path of integration of the state and control functions. Moreover the functions must obey the constraints placed on its control and state functions and must also be consistent with its end conditions.

In the following sections a general theory of the calculus of variations will be set down, leading to the method of solving the Bolza Problem. Special cases of the Bolza problem will be dealt with and finally the ^{fundamental} calculus will be used to solve several problems pertinent to trajectories.

1. Lawden - Optimal Trajectories for Space Navigation
2. Bliss - Lectures on the Calculus of Variations, obtained from Wiley.

Theory

General: The Bolza Problem with fixed end conditions

Consider a class of functions

$$y_k(x) \quad k=1, \dots, n$$

satisfying the constraints

$$\phi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0 \quad j=1, \dots, p < n$$

and also consistent with the end conditions

$$e_r(x_i, y_{ki}) = 0 \quad r=1, \dots, q$$

$$e_r(x_f, y_{kf}) = 0 \quad r=q+1, \dots, s \leq 2n+2$$

Find the set of such functions $y_k(x)$ which minimize the functional

$$S = A + I = G(x, y_k) \Big|_i^f + \int_{x_i}^{x_f} H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) dx \quad * \quad (1)$$

To take into account the constraints $\phi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0$, a set of variable Lagrange multipliers

$$\lambda_j(x) \quad j=1, \dots, p$$

can be used and a new integrand, known as the augmented integrand, can be formed:

$$F = H + \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \phi_j \quad (2)$$

which must satisfy the above set of conditions. ³

Some Definitions Concerning the Calculus of Variations

1. The variation of a function $y(x)$ is defined as

$$\delta y = y(x) - y_1(x)$$

where $y(x)$ and $y_1(x)$ are neighboring curves. Unlike differential calculus, where a change in dy is caused by a change in dx , the variation of a function can be made without a variation in its independent variable occurring.

2. Whereas in differential calculus $y = y(x)$ is read as " y is a function of the independent variable x ",

$v[y(x)] = \int_a^b H(x, y, y') dx$ is read as " $v[y(x)]$ is a functional of $y(x)$ ".

* i indicates initial, f indicates final, the dot indicates the derivative with respect to the independent variable.

3. Two curves are of closeness order k if
 $|y^{(k)} - y_1^{(k)}| < \epsilon$ where $\epsilon > 0$
 The variation of a functional $v[y(x)]$ is continuous along a
 given curve $y = y_0(x)$ of order k if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0, \text{ s.t. } |v[y(x)] - v[y_0(x)]| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } |y^{(k)} - y_0^{(k)}| < \delta$$

4. Consider a linear functional $L[y(x)]$; then

$$L[cy(x)] = cL[y(x)]$$

$$L[y_1(x) + y_2(x)] = L[y_1(x)] + L[y_2(x)]$$

If the change in the variation due to δy
 $\Delta v = v[y(x) + \delta y] - v[y(x)]$ is of the form

$L[y(x), \delta y] + \beta[y(x), \delta y] \max |\delta y|$, that part which
 is linear in δy , namely $L[y(x), \delta y]$,
 is known as the variation of the functional and is denoted by δv .

5. A functional achieves a maximum along a curve $y = y_0(x)$ if for
 any neighboring curve $y = y(x)$ the difference in the functional is less
 than or equal to zero. A functional achieves a minimum along a
 curve $y = y_0(x)$ if for any neighboring curve $y = y(x)$ the difference
 in the functional is greater than or equal to zero.
6. A maximum or a minimum occurring for $y = y_0(x)$ is considered
 strong if the order of closeness between any neighboring curve and
 $y = y_0(x)$ is of order zero. A maximum or a minimum occurring for
 $y = y_0(x)$ is considered weak if the orders of closeness between any
 neighboring curve and $y = y_0(x)$ are of orders zero and one.

Euler-Lagrange Equations - one independent variable

Before the Bolza Problem is attempted, a solution for S will
 be given for $G(x, y_k) \equiv 0$, the special case of Lagrange.

Consider the following problem:

Suppose $\exists$ a $y(x)$ which minimizes the integral

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} H[x, y(x), \dot{y}(x)] dx \quad \text{and } y_0 = y(x_0), y_1 = y(x_1) \text{ are given.}$$

Let us choose any function
 $\eta(x) \in C^1$

$\exists$. $\eta(x_0) = \eta(x_1) = 0$ for which a family of admissible functions of the form

$$y^*(x, \epsilon) = y(x) + \epsilon \eta(x)$$

can be formed and ϵ is a parameter. If one replaces $y(x)$ by $y(x) + \epsilon \eta(x)$ then it follows that for any given $y(x)$ and $\eta(x)$ the integral becomes a function of ϵ :

$$I(\epsilon) = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H[x, y + \epsilon \eta, \dot{y} + \epsilon \dot{\eta}] dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H[x, y^*(x, \epsilon), \dot{y}^*(x, \epsilon)] dx$$

Then $I(\epsilon)$ becomes a minimum when $\epsilon = 0$; it follows that

$$\left. \frac{dI(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} = 0.$$

$$\frac{dI(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \epsilon} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial (y + \epsilon \eta)} \frac{\partial (y + \epsilon \eta)}{\partial \epsilon} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial (\dot{y} + \epsilon \dot{\eta})} \frac{\partial (\dot{y} + \epsilon \dot{\eta})}{\partial \epsilon} \right] dx$$

$$\left. \frac{dI(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \eta + \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \dot{\eta} \right] dx$$

Integration by parts of $\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \dot{\eta} dx$ gives

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \dot{\eta} dx = \left. \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \eta \right|_{x_0}^{x_1} - \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \right] \eta dx$$

Because of the manner in which $\eta(x)$ was picked the first term vanishes. Therefore

$$\left. \frac{dI(\epsilon)}{d\epsilon} \right|_{\epsilon=0} = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \right) \right] \eta dx = 0$$

Since $\eta(x)$ is arbitrary $\forall x \in x_0 < x < x_1$ it follows that

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}} \right) = 0 \quad (3)$$

This is the Euler-Lagrange Equation.

In the case when the integral is of the form

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H[x, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dot{y}_2, \dots, \dot{y}_n] dx$$

an evaluation of the integral for which a minimum is sought is done by fixing $n-1$ variables and performing the preceding method on the remaining variable. However instead of obtaining one Euler-Lagrange Equation, n such equations will exist, namely

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y_k} - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right] = 0 \quad k=1, \dots, n \quad (4)$$

provided $y_k(x_0)$ and $y_k(x_1)$ are given.

It must be noted that the preceding work is also true for maximization of the integrals discussed. That solution which satisfies the Euler-Lagrange Equation is known as an extremal; the extremal will cause the integral to be stationary, i.e. will minimize (or maximize) the integral.

Euler-Lagrange Equations - two independent variables.

Consider the following integral

$$I = \iint_D H[x, y, z, \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}] dx dy \quad \text{for which } \partial D = C.$$

Let $z(x, y)$ be an extremal of I . All the permissible surfaces passing through the boundary of D are given by

$$z^*(x, y, \alpha) = z(x, y) + \alpha \eta(x, y)$$

where $\eta(x, y) = 0$ on ∂D and α is a parameter. Substituting $z^*(x, y, \alpha)$ for $z(x, y)$, the integral is rewritten as

$$I(\alpha) = \iint_D H[x, y, z^*(x, y, \alpha), p^*(x, y, \alpha), q^*(x, y, \alpha)] dx dy$$

for fixed $z(x, y)$ and $\eta(x, y)$. The integral can be minimized if

$$\left. \frac{dI(\alpha)}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0} = 0 \quad \text{as before.}$$

$$\left. \frac{dI(\alpha)}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \iint_D H[x, y, z^*, p^*, q^*] dx dy \Big|_{\alpha=0} = 0$$

$$= \iint_D \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial z} \eta + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \eta_{,x} + \frac{\partial H}{\partial q} \eta_{,y} \right] dx dy = 0$$

where $p = \frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$, $q = \frac{\partial z}{\partial y}$, $\eta_{,x} = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x}$, $\eta_{,y} = \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial y}$.

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_D [H_{,p} \eta_{,x} + H_{,q} \eta_{,y}] dx dy &= \iint_D \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \{H_{,p} \eta\} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \{H_{,q} \eta\} \right] dx dy \\ &\quad - \iint_D \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} H_{,p} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} H_{,q} \right] \eta dx dy \end{aligned}$$

The first double integral on the right side can be reduced by means of Green's Theorem:

$$\iint_D \left[\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} \right] dx dy = \int_C (N dy - M dx). \quad \text{Therefore}$$

$$\iint_D \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \{H_{,p} \eta\} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \{H_{,q} \eta\} \right] dx dy = \int_C [H_{,p} dy - H_{,q} dx] \eta = 0$$

since $\eta(x, y) = 0$ on ∂D . Thus

$$\left. \frac{dI(\alpha)}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0} = \iint_D \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} H_{,p} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} H_{,q} \right] \eta dx dy = 0$$

Since $\eta(x, y)$ was arbitrary, it follows that

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial q} \right) = 0 \quad (5)$$

This defines the Euler-Lagrange Equation for two independent variables. Elsgolc makes reference to this equation as the Ostrogradski Equation.⁴

Example 1:

Find all admissible functions with fixed endpoints which makes

$$I = \int_a^b \{ (\dot{y}x)^2 + 12x^2y \} dx \text{ stationary. Find that}$$

function which makes the integral stationary and satisfies $y(0)=0$ and $y(1)=1$

Solution:

Use of the Euler-Lagrange Equation (3) leads to the differential equation:

$$12x^2 - 2y'(2x) - 2x^2y'' = 0$$

If a solution of the form $y = Ax^m + C$ is placed in the differential equation, the equation reduces to

$$12x^2 - 4Amx^m - 2Am(m-1)x^m = 0$$

For a solution to exist $m=2$ which gives rise to $A=1$; then

$$y = x^2 + C \quad (\text{Extremum of the integral})$$

Application of the end condition leads to $C=0$ and

$$y = x^2 \quad (\text{Stationary function})$$

Example 2:

Derive the Ostrogradski Equation for the integral

$$I = \iint_D \left[\left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial z}{\partial y} \right)^2 + 2zf(x,y) \right] dx dy \text{ where } z = f(x,y) \text{ on}$$

∂D and is given a priori on the boundary. ⁴

Solution:

By use of the Euler-Lagrange Equation (5), the following differential equation is obtained:

$$2f(x,y) - 2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2} \right) = 0 \text{ or } \nabla^2 z = f(x,y)$$

This is Poisson's Equation, encountered in the study of fluid mechanics.

Variable Boundary Conditions

Because no restrictions exist on the end conditions, a greater number of solutions to a variable end point problem exists. However, the solution which produces an extremal for this type of problem, will also be an extremal with respect to a more restricted set of curves having the same end conditions as the extremal. This fact then allows for the use of the fundamental necessary condition for extrema - the Euler-Lagrange equations derived earlier. Because no end points exist, and for the integral to be stationary, it is necessary to find other conditions which must also hold in order to obtain the function which produces the extremals.

The simplest variable boundary problem is the one-end-fixed problem. Consider an extremum to exist if the function $y^*(x)$ has its variable end point at (x_1, y_1) . Consider a second function $y_N = y^* + \delta y$ close to y^* formed by the movement of the variable end point from (x_1, y_1) to $(x_1 + \Delta x_1, y_1 + \Delta y_1)$.

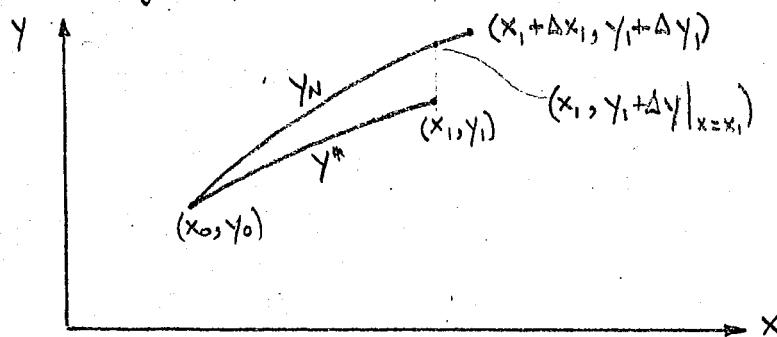


FIGURE 1

Let us examine the change in

$$I = \int H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx \quad \text{in its evaluation of } y = y^*(x)$$

and $y = y_N(x)$.

$$\Delta I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1 + \Delta x_1} H(x, y_N, \dot{y}_N) dx - \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H(x, y^*, \dot{y}^*) dx$$

$$= \int_{x_1}^{x_1 + \Delta x_1} H(x, y_N, \dot{y}_N) dx + \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{H(x, y_N, \dot{y}_N) - H(x, y^*, \dot{y}^*)\} dx$$

$$= \int_{x_1}^{x_1 + \Delta x_1} H(x, y_N, \dot{y}_N) dx + \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{H_y y^* \delta y + H_{\dot{y}} \delta \dot{y}\} dx + R$$

where Taylor's expansion is used on the second integral and the first two terms of the expansion yield the variation in H - a first order approximation to the change in the integral from curve to curve. R is the higher order remainder term contributed by the expansion.

Use of the Mean Value theorem on the first integral yields

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_1 + \Delta x_1} H(x, y_N, \dot{y}_N) dx = \Delta x_1 \{ H(\bar{x}, y_N, \dot{y}_N) \} = \{ H(x_1, y_N, \dot{y}_N) \} \Delta x_1 + \epsilon_1 \Delta x_1$$

where $\bar{x} = x_1 + \theta_1 \Delta x_1$ and $0 < \theta_1 < 1$.

Integration of the second integral results in

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{ H_2 y^* \delta y + H_3 \dot{y}^* \delta \dot{y} \} dx = H_2 \dot{y}^* \delta y \Big|_{x_0}^{x_1} + \int_{x_0}^{x_1} (H_2 y^* - \frac{d}{dx} H_3 \dot{y}^*) \delta y dx$$

Using the fundamental necessary condition [eq.(3)] and $\delta y \Big|_{x=x_0} = 0$ the above reduces to

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{ H_2 y^* \delta y + H_3 \dot{y}^* \delta \dot{y} \} dx = [H_2 \dot{y}^* \delta y]_{x=x_1}$$

From figure 1 it is noted that since $\delta y \Big|_{x=x_1} \approx \Delta y_1 - \dot{y}_N(x_1) \Delta x_1$,

and because $\epsilon_1, R \rightarrow 0$ as $\Delta y_1, \Delta x_1 \rightarrow 0$ the change incurred by the integral is

$$\Delta I = H_2 \dot{y}^* \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_1 + \left\{ H_2 - \dot{y}_N^* H_3 \dot{y}^* \right\} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 \quad (6)$$

However one requires $\Delta I = 0$ for the extremal to exist. If Δy_1 and Δx_1 are independent of each other, this implies

$$H_2 \dot{y}^* \Big|_{x=x_1} = \left\{ H_2 - \dot{y}_N^* H_3 \dot{y}^* \right\} \Big|_{x=x_1} = 0 \quad (7)$$

If $y_1 = \pi(x_1)$ then (6) would be subject to $\Delta y_1 \approx \dot{\pi}(x_1) \Delta x_1$; then

$$\Delta I = \left\{ H_2 - (\dot{y}_N^* - \dot{\pi}) H_3 \dot{y}^* \right\} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 = 0 \text{ or}$$

$$\left[H_2 - (\dot{y}_N^* - \dot{\pi}) H_3 \dot{y}^* \right]_{x=x_1} = 0 \quad (8)$$

If a variable boundary also existed at the end point (x_0, y_0) a similar result would be obtained. The condition described in its varied form as shown by equations (6-8) is known as the transversality condition. In the preceding development infinitesimal increments in x and in y of higher order were neglected. Therefore if both end points are variable, then for the integral to be stationary the following conditions must be satisfied:

$$H_y - \frac{d}{dx} (H_y \dot{y}) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_y \dot{y} \Big|_{x=x_0} \Delta y_0 + \left\{ H - \dot{y} H_y \right\} \Big|_{x=x_0} \Delta x_0 &= 0 \\ H_y \dot{y} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_1 + \left\{ H - \dot{y} H_y \right\} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If the integral is of the form

$$I = \int_A^B H(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dots, \dot{y}_n) dx$$

with variable boundary points of the form

$$A(x_0, y_{10}, y_{20}, \dots, y_{n0}) \text{ and } B(x_1, y_{11}, y_{21}, \dots, y_{n1})$$

the condition for which the integral becomes stationary are

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y_k} - \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right] = 0 \quad k=1, \dots, n$$

$$\left\{ H - \sum_{k=1}^n \dot{y}_k \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right\} \Big|_{x=x_0} \Delta x_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \Big|_{x=x_0} \Delta y_{k0} = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\left\{ H - \sum_{k=1}^n \dot{y}_k \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right\} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_{k1} = 0$$

Example: ⁴

Find that curve which makes

$$I = \int_0^{x_1} \frac{\sqrt{1+y'^2}}{y} dx \text{ an extremum knowing that } y(0)=0$$

and (x_1, y_1) lies on the circle $(x-a)^2 + y^2 = a^2$

Solution:

Because (x_1, y_1) lies on a circle, $y_1 = \pi(x_1)$ and $\Delta y_1 \cong \pi'(x_1) \Delta x_1$; in particular

$$2y \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_1 + 2(x-a) \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$\Delta y_1 / \Delta x_1 = - \frac{(x-a)}{y} \Big|_{x=x_1} \quad (10)$$

Use of the Euler-Lagrange equation leads to

$$(x - c_1)^2 + y^2 = c_2^2 \quad (b)$$

Using the fixed end condition $y(0) = 0$ results in

$$c_1 = c_2 \quad (c)$$

Use of the transversality condition (equation 6) yields

$$\left[\frac{\sqrt{1+\dot{y}^2}}{y} - \frac{\dot{y}^2}{y\sqrt{1+\dot{y}^2}} \right]_{x=x_1} \Delta x_1 + \frac{\dot{y}}{y\sqrt{1+\dot{y}^2}} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_1 = 0 \quad (d)$$

this reduces to

$$\Delta x_1 + \dot{y} \Big|_{x=x_1} \Delta y_1 = 0 \quad \text{provided } y\sqrt{1+\dot{y}^2} \Big|_{x=x_1} \neq 0.$$

Then equation (d) gives

$$\dot{y} \Big|_{x=x_1} = -\Delta x_1 / \Delta y_1 \quad (e)$$

Because of this result the tangent to the extremum must be perpendicular to the tangent to the curve $(x-a)^2 + y^2 = 3^2$ at (x_1, y_1) . The solution of equation (b), with condition (c) imposed, and the equation of the circle leads to

$$x_1(18 - 2c_1) = 72 \quad (f)$$

Since

observed: $\dot{y} = -1 / \frac{\Delta y_1}{\Delta x_1} = \frac{y}{(x-a)} \Big|_{x=x_1} = -\left(\frac{x-c_1}{y} \right) \Big|_{x=x_1}$ the following is

$$(x_1 - c_1)(x_1 - a) + y_1^2 = 0 \quad (g)$$

Substitution of equation (b) with $(x, y) = (x_1, y_1)$ imposed, and solution for x_1 results in

$$x_1 = 9c_1 / 9 - c_1 \quad (h)$$

Substitution of (h) for x_1 in (f) leads to $c_1 = 4$ and the extremal is found to be

$$y = \pm \sqrt{16 - (x-4)^2} = \pm \sqrt{8x - x^2} \quad (i)$$

The end point (x_1, y_1) is found to be $(7.2, 2.4)$.

Extremals as a consequence of Corners (Discontinuities)

The possibility will be considered here of extremizing solutions which may have discontinuities at one or more points of the interval. Such points will be called "corners".

Suppose $\exists$ points $C_i(x_i, y_i)$ $i = 1, \dots, n$ which connect the two end points by means of piecewise continuous curves. For these piecewise curves to extremize the integral they must satisfy the Euler-Lagrange equation individually. By fixing all but one of the points one obtains $n-2$ fixed-end-point problems and two one-variable-end-point problems.

Consider now the simplest case, i.e. the existence of only one point $C_1(x_1, y_1)$ which produces two continuous curves. As in the case of the variable end point condition, the equations are applicable in this case.

Then

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H(x, y, y') dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} H(x, y, y') dx - \int_{x_1}^{x_0} H(x, y, y') dx,$$

$$\Delta I = \left(H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} \right) \Big|_{x=x_1^-} \Delta x_1 + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=x_1^-} \Delta y_1 - \left[\left(H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} \right) \Big|_{x=x_1^+} \Delta x_1 + \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=x_1^+} \Delta y_1 \right] = 0 \quad (10)$$

The negative sign is due to the fact that the variable end point for the second integral is made the lower limit. If Δx_1 & Δy_1 are independent (10) gives the two corner conditions

$$\left(H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} \right)_{x=x_1^-} = \left(H - y' \frac{\partial H}{\partial y'} \right)_{x=x_1^+} \quad (11a)$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=x_1^-} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} \Big|_{x=x_1^+} \quad (11b)$$

It should be noted that the first test used to determine whether or not these equations should be used is whether the integrand $H \geq 0$.⁴ If so the integral $I \geq 0$.

Example 1:

Find the solution for 1 discontinuity for the problem

$$I = \int_0^4 (\dot{y} - 1)^2 (\dot{y} + 1)^2 dx \quad \text{and} \quad y(0) = 0 \quad y(4) = 2$$

Solution:

Because the integrand is greater than or equal to zero, equations (11a, b) can be used. Equation (11a) leads to

$$-(\dot{y}^2 - 1)(3\dot{y}^2 + 1) \Big|_{x=x_1^-} = -(\dot{y}^2 - 1)(3\dot{y}^2 + 1) \Big|_{x=x_1^+} \quad (a)$$

Equation (11b) yields

$$(4\dot{y})(\dot{y}^2 - 1) \Big|_{x=x_1^-} = (4\dot{y})(\dot{y}^2 - 1) \Big|_{x=x_1^+} \quad (b)$$

The only solution to both equations is

$$(\dot{y}^2 - 1)|_{x=x_1^-} = (\dot{y}^2 - 1)|_{x=x_1^+} \quad (c)$$

For a discontinuity to exist

$$\dot{y}_{x=x_1^-} = 1 \quad \dot{y}_{x=x_1^+} = -1 \quad (d)$$

$$\dot{y}_{x=x_1^-} = -1 \quad \dot{y}_{x=x_1^+} = 1 \quad (e)$$

Solution of the first set yields

$$y = \underline{x} + C_1 \quad y = -\bar{x} + C_2 \quad (f)$$

Application of: $y = 0$ @ $\underline{x} = 0$

$y = 2$ @ $\bar{x} = 4$ leads to

$$y = \underline{x} \quad y = -\bar{x} + 6 \quad (g)$$

The domain for which these hold is found by equating the two and finding the point of intersection (the corner) - in this case $\underline{x} = \bar{x} = 3$; therefore

$$y = \underline{x} \quad 0 \leq \underline{x} \leq 3 \quad (h)$$

$$y = -\bar{x} + 6 \quad 3 \leq \bar{x} \leq 4$$

For the other set of solutions to the problem, the result is

$$y = -\underline{x} \quad 0 \leq \underline{x} \leq 1 \quad (i)$$

$$y = \underline{x} - 2 \quad 1 \leq \underline{x} \leq 4$$

Note: $\underline{x}$ was used to denote x to the left of the discontinuity and $\bar{x}$ was used to denote x to the right of the discontinuity.

Example 2:

Are there any solutions with discontinuities for the problem

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} (\dot{y}^2 + 2xy - y^2) dx \quad y(x_0) = y_0, \quad y(x_1) = y_1$$

Solution:

Consider a discontinuity at (x^*, y^*) . From equation (11a)

$$(2xy - y^2 - \dot{y}^2)|_{x=x^*-} = (2xy - y^2 - \dot{y}^2)|_{x=x^*+} \quad (a)$$

Because x & y are not dependent on the direction one approaches the discontinuity equation (a) reduces to

$$-\dot{y}^2|_{x=x^*-} = -\dot{y}^2|_{x=x^*+} \quad (b)$$

From equation (11b)

$$2\dot{y}|_{x=x^*-} = 2\dot{y}|_{x=x^*+} \quad (c)$$

The solution that satisfies both equations is

$$\dot{y}|_{x=x^*-} = \dot{y}|_{x=x^*+} = -2 \quad \text{This implies that no corner exists; therefore no solution using discontinuities can be found.}$$

Sufficiency Conditions for Extrema - Jacobi Condition

Before mathematical formulas are found regarding sufficiency conditions, it is necessary to define certain terms:

Consider a domain D ; if for each point in the domain D $\exists$ (!) a curve $y = y(x, C_1)$ belonging to a family of curves $y = y(x, C)$ then the family of curves $y = y(x, C)$ defines a proper field. If a family of curves $y = y(x, C)$ passes through only one point $A(x_0, y_0)$ and also covers the domain D without intersecting [except at (x_0, y_0)] this family defines a central field. The parameter for the family is the slope at (x_0, y_0) .

In order to obtain the condition attributed to Jacobi it is necessary to define an envelope. By the envelope of a family, one means a curve touched by all the members of the family.

Definition:⁵

A family of curves $f(x, y, C) = 0$ has an envelope $x = g(C)$, $y = h(C)$ iff for each $C = C_0$ the point $[g(C_0), h(C_0)]$ of the curve defined above lies on the curve $f(x, y, C_0) = 0$ and both curves have the same tangent line there:

Theorem:⁵

If $f(x, y, C)$, $g(C)$, $h(C)$ are continuous and have continuous first derivatives, if

$$1) \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}\right)^2 \neq 0, \quad 2) \left(\frac{dg}{dC}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dh}{dC}\right)^2 \neq 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$3) f[g(C), h(C), C] \equiv \frac{\partial f}{\partial C}[g(C), h(C), C] = 0$$

then the family of curves $f(x, y, C) = 0$ has the curve $x = g(C)$, $y = h(C)$ as an envelope.

Consider initially a central field formed by a family of extremals which has the initial boundary point as the common. The central field is defined away from the envelope. Because of the nature of the envelope, any two curves of this family will intersect at a point near the envelope. If the arc of the extremum (formed by the function satisfying the Euler-Lagrange equation) does not have a common point with the envelope, those curves close to the extremal will form a central field. If the extremal does intersect the envelope the curves close to the extremal will intersect at a point $A'(x_1, y_1)$. This point is known as the conjugate of the point

$A(x_0, y_0)$. The Jacobi Condition states that an extremal to a problem exists if the extremal does not have a conjugate point lying on its arc.

To find whether or not a conjugate point exists it is necessary to find the envelope of the family of extremals. Since an extremal must satisfy the Euler-Lagrange equation and since the envelope of the family is found by differentiating the governing equation of the family with respect to the parameter c ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial c} \left[H, y - \frac{d}{dx} H, y \right] = 0 \quad \text{or}$$

$$u \left[H, y, y - \frac{d}{dx} H, y, y \right] - \frac{d}{dx} \left[H, y, y, u \right] = 0 \quad \text{where } u = \frac{\partial y(x, c)}{\partial c} \quad (12)$$

Therefore if a solution to this equation exists, i.e. $u = \frac{\partial y(x, c)}{\partial c}$ is found, and the solution to $u(x) = 0$ exists for $x = x_0$ (point A) as well as other points in the interval of definition, then conjugate points exist. If $u = \partial y(x, c) / \partial c$ is found and the only solution to $u(x) = 0$ is at $x = x_0$ then the Jacobi condition is satisfied. The existence of conjugate points indicate that the function satisfying the Euler-Lagrange Equation does not produce a minimal arc between the end points.

Example:

Determine whether or not the Jacobi Condition holds for

$$I = \int_0^a (\dot{y}^2 + 2y\dot{y} - 16y^2) dx \quad a > 0 \quad y(0) = 0 \quad y(a) = 0$$

Solution:

Use of the Euler-Lagrange Equation leads to

$$2(\ddot{y} + 16y) = 0 \quad (a)$$

to which the solution is

$$y = C_1 \sin 4x + C_2 \cos 4x \quad (b)$$

Use of the boundary conditions leads to

$$C_2 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{k\pi}{4} = a$$

definition is

$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{k\pi}{4}$$

Solution to the Jacobi accessory equation (equation 12) leads to

$$\ddot{u} + 17u = 0 \quad (c)$$

to which the solution is

$$u(x) = D_1 \sin \sqrt{17}x + D_2 \cos \sqrt{17}x \quad (d)$$

the point $A(x_0, y_0)$ is the point $(0, 0)$, therefore $u(0) = 0$ yields $D_2 = 0$.
To find conjugate points let $u(x) = 0$. Therefore if $D_1 \neq 0$ then

$$\sqrt{17}x = k\pi. \quad (e)$$

Thus if conjugate points are to exist

$$x = \frac{k\pi}{\sqrt{17}} \quad (f)$$

let us examine whether conjugate points exist in the interval of definition for this problem. For any k it is found that

$\frac{k\pi}{4} > \frac{k\pi}{\sqrt{17}}$; therefore there will always be k conjugate points in the interval of definition. Thus the function does not produce a minimizing arc in the interval

$$0 \leq x \leq \frac{k\pi}{4}$$

Hilbert's Invariant Integral

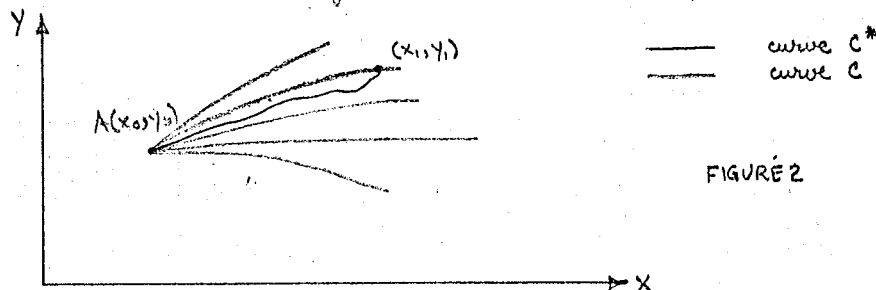


FIGURE 2

Consider two curves C and C^* with the following conditions:
Curve C is a curve satisfying the Euler-Lagrange equation, the Jacobi Condition and the boundary conditions. It is admitted into a central field with center at $A(x_0, y_0)$ which has a slope function $p(x, y)$. C^* is any other admissible curve between points (x_0, y_0) and (x_1, y_1) (FIGURE 2).

Let us look at the following integral

$$I^* = \int_{C^*} \left[H(x, y, p) + (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right] dx \quad (13) \text{ this can be rewritten as}$$

$$I^* = \int_{C^*} \left\{ \left[H(x, y, p) - p \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right] dx + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) dy \right\} \quad (a)$$

The rewritten integral is of the form

$$I^* = \int_{C^*} (M dx + N dy) \text{ where } M = H - p \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}, \quad N = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}$$

Now let us look at $\frac{\partial M}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$.

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} H_{,p} - p \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial y} \quad (b)$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial x} \quad (c)$$

Note that

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = (b) - (c) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} H_{,p} - p \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial x} \quad (d)$$

Note also that

$$\frac{d}{dx} H_{,p} = \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial x} + p \frac{\partial H_{,p}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} H_{,p} \quad (e)$$

Substituting (e) into (d)

$$\frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \right) \quad (f)$$

Because the curves are extremal they must satisfy the Euler-Lagrange Equation. Therefore

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial p} \right) = \frac{\partial M}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial N}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (g)$$

But (g) is the condition which a differential must satisfy for it to be exact; therefore

$$I^* = \int_{c^*} M dx + N dy = \int_c (M dx + N dy) .$$

Thus the integral depends only on the end points and not the path of integration. Equation (13) is known as Helmholtz's Invariant Integral for extremal curves.

Sufficiency conditions for Extrema - Weierstrass and Legendre conditions.

Consider the integral

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx .$$

Again consider that the Jacobi Condition holds and the function satisfying Equation (3) and the boundary conditions is admitted into a central field formed by extremals with center at $A(x_0, y_0)$. Let us take a look at the change incurred by the integral when one moves along two different curves connecting (x_0, y_0) and (x_1, y_1) (FIGURE 2). If the admitted curve is to minimize the integral between the two end points then the change incurred by the integral is

$$\Delta I = \int_{C^*} H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx - \int_C H(x, y, p) dx \geq 0$$

where C is the minimizing curve, C^* is any neighboring curve and $p = p(x, y)$ is the slope function of the field (therefore the minimizing curve).

Consider Hilbert's Invariant Integral

$$I^* = \int_{C^*} \left\{ H(x, y, p) + (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right\} dx$$

and assume that when $\dot{y} = p$ the integral reduces to

$$I = \int_C H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx.$$

It was noted that Hilbert's Integral was the integral of an exact differential and therefore not a function of path. Because I^* reduces to I ,

$$I = \int_C H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx = \int_{C^*} \left[H(x, y, p) + (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right] dx$$

for arbitrary area C^* .

$$\text{Then } \Delta I = \int_{C^*} H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx - \int_{C^*} \left[H(x, y, p) + (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right] dx$$

Therefore

$$\Delta I = \int_{C^*} \left[H(x, y, \dot{y}) - H(x, y, p) - (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \right] dx. \quad (14)$$

The integrand of ΔI is referred to as the Excess Function of Weierstrass and is written as

$$E(x, y, p, \dot{y}) = H(x, y, \dot{y}) - H(x, y, p) - (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \quad (15)$$

Because the interval of definition is positive, i.e. $x_0 \leq x \leq x_1$, a minimum occurs when

$$E(x, y, p, \dot{y}) \geq 0$$

and a maximum occurs when

$$E(x, y, p, \dot{y}) \leq 0.$$

Note that these minima or maxima are strong in that $p(x, y)$ can be arbitrarily large or small.

The Weierstrass condition can also be obtained by expanding the integrand of the neighboring curve C^* about the minimized curve C , noting that the parameter of the family of extremals in a central field is the slope to the curves at $A(x_0, y_0)$. Therefore

$$H(x_0, y_0, \dot{y}_0) = H(x_0, y_0, p(x_0, y_0)) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x_0, y_0, p(x_0, y_0)) [\dot{y}_0 - p(x_0, y_0)] + \epsilon(O^2)$$

However if $A(x_0, y_0)$ is made to move along the extremal curve to another point, and the change in the integrand is found, then it is seen that the integrand will be a function of the coordinate of the point; this can be done for any point on the extremal curve, or

$$H(x, y, \dot{y}) = H(x, y, p) + \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) \{\dot{y} - p\} + \epsilon(O^2). \text{ By transposition of terms}$$

$$H(x, y, \dot{y}) - H(x, y, p) - (\dot{y} - p) \frac{\partial H}{\partial p}(x, y, p) = \epsilon(O^2) = E(x, y, p, \dot{y})$$

Returning to equation (14) and applying Taylor's Expansion with respect to $p(x, y)$ only, the integral reduces to

$$\Delta I = \int_{c^*} \frac{(\dot{y} - p)^2}{2!} \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2}(x, y, q) dx \quad \text{where } p \leq q \leq \dot{y}$$

$$\text{Therefore} \quad \Delta I \geq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2} \geq 0 \quad (16)$$

$$\Delta I \leq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2} \leq 0$$

These conditions are known as the Legendre - Clebsch conditions for extremum.

In summary, the following must hold if:

A. The curve is to have a weak extremum -

1. The curve must be an extremal satisfying the boundary conditions,
2. The Jacobi condition must hold.

3. If $V(x, y)$ close to the curve and arbitrary $\dot{y}$ close to $p(x, y)$

$E(x, y, p, \dot{y})$ has a constant sign:

$$E \geq 0 \quad \text{for minimum}$$

$$E \leq 0 \quad \text{for maximum.}$$

4. If $V(x, y)$ close to the curve and $\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2} \neq 0$ and has constant sign:

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2} > 0 \quad \text{for minimum}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}^2} < 0 \quad \text{for maximum.}$$

B. The curve is to have a strong extremum -

1. Conditions (1) and (2) of A must hold.

2. If $V(x, y)$ close to the curve and arbitrary $\dot{y}$ $E(x, y, p, \dot{y})$ has a constant sign:

$$E \geq 0 \quad \text{for minimum}$$

$E \leq 0$ for maximum.

It must be stressed that the excess function and the Legendre test are necessary conditions for an extremum to occur. The Jacobi condition must hold for the conditions to become sufficient for extrema to exist.

In the case where the integral is of the form

$$I = \int H(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dots, \dot{y}_n) dx$$

the Weierstrass Excess function takes the form

$$\Delta H = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \Delta \dot{y}_k = E(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dots, \dot{y}_n, p_1, \dots, p_n) \quad (17)$$

where $\Delta H = H(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dots, \dot{y}_n) - H(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, p_1, \dots, p_n)$
and $\Delta \dot{y}_k = (\dot{y}_k - p_k)$ for $k=1, \dots, n$.

In the case of the Legendre type condition, the Legendre-Clebsch condition for extremum becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial \dot{y}_k \partial \dot{y}_j} \delta \dot{y}_k \delta \dot{y}_j \quad (18)$$

where $\delta \dot{y}_k = (\dot{y}_k - p_k)$ and $\delta \dot{y}_j = (\dot{y}_j - p_j)$

Parametric Representation

Consider the Integral

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} H(x, y, \dot{y}) dx \quad \text{where } x=x(t), y=y(t)$$

The above can be rewritten so that

$$I = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} H[x(t), y(t), \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}] \frac{dx}{dt} dt \quad (19)$$

If the integrand is not a function of t explicitly and if the integrand is homogeneous of the first order, i.e.

$H(x, y, c\dot{x}, c\dot{y}) = c H(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y})$ then the integral depends only on $x=x(t)$ and $y=y(t)$ and no dependence on the parametric representation chosen exists. Let $\tau = \psi(t)$ so that $\dot{\psi}(t) \neq 0$. Then $x=x(\tau)$, $y=y(\tau)$ and (19) can be rewritten as

$$\int_{t_0}^{t_1} H(x, y, \frac{\dot{x}}{\dot{y}}) \dot{x} dt = \int_{\tau_0}^{t_1} \Phi(x, y, \dot{x}, \dot{y}) dt = \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_1} \Phi[x(\tau), y(\tau), \frac{dx}{d\tau} \dot{\psi}, \frac{dy}{d\tau} \dot{\psi}] \frac{d\tau}{\dot{\psi}}$$

Because the integrand is homogeneous of first order

$$\int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_1} \Phi[x(\tau), y(\tau), \frac{dx}{d\tau} \dot{\psi}, \frac{dy}{d\tau} \dot{\psi}] \frac{d\tau}{\dot{\psi}} = \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_1} \Phi[x(\tau), y(\tau), \frac{dx}{d\tau}, \frac{dy}{d\tau}] d\tau$$

Thus the integrand is unchanged. The solution to this problem leads to

$$\Phi_{,x} - \frac{d}{dt} \Phi_{,\dot{x}} = 0, \quad \Phi_{,y} - \frac{d}{dt} \Phi_{,\dot{y}} = 0$$

Note that these equations are no longer independent since other pairs of functions giving other parametric representation of the same curve exist. Since they must all satisfy the Euler-Lagrange equations, it is only necessary to solve one equation with the condition determining the parametric representation i.e. $x=x(\tau)$, $y=y(\tau)$, $\tau=\psi(t)$, to obtain the solution of the problem.

Solution to the Mayer Problem

Consider the problem of minimizing

$$A = g(x_i, y_{k_i}, x_f, y_{k_f}) \quad \text{where } k=1, \dots, n$$

subject to the constraints

$$\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0 \quad j=1, \dots, p < n$$

and consistent with the end conditions

$$w_r(x_i, y_{k_i}) = 0$$

$$r=1, \dots, q$$

$$w_r(x_f, y_{k_f}) = 0$$

$$r=q+1, \dots, s \leq 2n+2.$$

Consider the following integral

$$I = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) dx \quad k=1, \dots, n$$

where $z_k(x)$ are introduced so that

$$\dot{z}_k = f_k(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n f_k(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k)$$

By making this transformation and by the use of equation (2) we can transform

$$\int_{x_i}^{x_f} H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) dx \quad \text{to} \quad \int_{x_i}^{x_f} F(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) dx$$

$$\text{so that} \quad I = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n [\dot{z}_k(x) + \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k)] \right\} dx \quad (20)$$

Since $\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0$ then

$$\sum_{k=1}^n Z_k(x) \Big|_{x_i}^{x_f} = g(x_i, y_{ki}, x_f, y_{kf}) = G(x, y_k) \Big|_{x_i}^{x_f}.$$

Therefore one can use the necessary equations for extremization previously derived as well as the transformation

$$\dot{Z}_k(x) = f_k(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) \quad (21)$$

In other words, the problem is that of finding those functions $y_k(x)$, $Z_k(x)$ which satisfy equation (21) and minimize the functional given by equation (20).

The Equivalence of the Mayer, Lagrange & Bolza Problem

The Bolza Problem can be solved by reducing it to a Mayer or Lagrange type problem.

1. In terms of the Mayer Problem, functions $Z_k(x)$ are introduced so that $\dot{Z}_k = f_k(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0$ where $H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \sum_{k=1}^n f_k(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k)$

and

$$\varphi = [G(x, y_k) + Z_k(x)]_i^f \text{ is to be extremized.} \quad (22)$$

2. In terms of the Lagrange problem a set of functions $y_{n+1,k}(x)$ are introduced so that

$$\dot{y}_{n+1,k} = 0 \text{ and } y_{n+1,k}(x_i) - \frac{G(x, y_k) \Big|_i^f}{x_f - x_i} = 0 \quad (23)$$

and the integral to be minimized is

$$I = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} \{ H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) + \sum_{k=1}^n y_{n+1,k}(x) \} dx \quad (24)$$

Problems Involving Inequalities

Suppose that equation (1) were subjected to inequality constraints of the form

$$y_i \geq \bar{\Gamma}_i \quad i = r, \dots, p < n \quad (25)$$

For such problems, since

$$y_i - \bar{\Gamma}_i \geq 0 \quad \text{define new variables } z_i(x) \text{ so that} \\ y_i - \bar{\Gamma}_i = z_i^2 \quad (26)$$

In that manner a set of constraints

$\varphi_i = y_i - \bar{\Gamma}_i - z_i^2 = 0$ can be introduced and used in the form of equation (2).

Suppose that equation (1) were subjected to constraints of the form

$$\Gamma_{1i} \leq y_i \leq \Gamma_{2i} \quad i=1, \dots, p < n \quad (27)$$

From eq (27) one obtains

$$\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i} \geq \Gamma_{2i} - y_i \geq 0 \quad (a)$$

also $\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i} \geq y_i - \Gamma_{1i} \geq 0 \quad (b);$

(a) & (b) can be rewritten

$$(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i) \geq 0 \quad (c)$$

$$(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) \geq 0 \quad (d)$$

Multiplying (c) by $y_i - \Gamma_{1i}$ and (d) by $\Gamma_{2i} - y_i$ one obtains

$$(y_i - \Gamma_{1i})(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) \geq 0 \quad (e)$$

$$(\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) \geq 0 \quad (f)$$

If (e) and (f) are rewritten as functions of new variables $\rho_i(x)$ and $\mu_i(x)$ then

$$(y_i - \Gamma_{1i})(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) = \rho_i^2 \quad (g)$$

$$(\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i}) - (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) = \mu_i^2 \quad (h)$$

Adding (g) and (h) and defining new variables $z_i(x)$ in the following manner

$$z_i^2(x) = [(\Gamma_{2i} - \Gamma_{1i})^2 - (\rho_i^2 + \mu_i^2)]/2$$

the constraint equations (26) reduce to

$$(\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) = z_i^2 \quad (28)$$

In this form a new set of constraints of the form

$\Phi_i = (\Gamma_{2i} - y_i)(y_i - \Gamma_{1i}) - z_i^2 = 0$ could be introduced and used in the form of equation (2).

In both forms of the constraints presented, the new functions $z_i(x)$ must be found along with the functions $y_i(x)$.

Equations and Necessary Conditions for the Mayer Problem

Consider the following

$$\frac{d}{dx} H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial H}{\partial y_k} \dot{y}_k + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \ddot{y}_k \quad (a)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) \dot{y}_k = \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) \dot{y}_k + \frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \ddot{y}_k \right] \quad (b)$$

Subtracting equation (a) from equation (b) yields

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[-H + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) \dot{y}_k \right] = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \sum_{k=1}^n \dot{y}_k \left[\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) - \frac{\partial H}{\partial y_k} \right] \quad (c)$$

Noting that the second term of the right hand side of equation (C) are the Euler Lagrange Equations

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} + \frac{d}{dx} \left[-H + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) \dot{y}_k \right] = 0 \quad (29)$$

Equation (29) is obtained from equation (C) as a result of the Euler-Lagrange equations (4). If the integrand $H(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k)$ is not an explicit function of the independent variable, i.e. $H(y_k, \dot{y}_k)$ only, then equation (29) can be written as

$$-H + \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{\partial H}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) \dot{y}_k = C \quad (30)$$

where C is a constant due to the integration of (29).

For the problems which we will be dealing with

$$F = H + \lambda_j \varphi_j \quad (2)$$

Because the problems will be of the Mayer type

$$F = \lambda_j \varphi_j \quad (31)$$

Substitution of equation (31) into (30) and remembering that F is not an explicit function of the independent variable, as well as $\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0$, equation (30) reduces to

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j(x) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k)}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \dot{y}_k = C \quad (32)$$

The constraints can be written as

$$\dot{y}_k = f_j(x, y_k) \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (33)$$

for minimization the following must hold

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial y_k} - \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right) = 0 \quad (4)$$

The transversality condition will take the form

$$dG \Big|_i^f + \left[\sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j(x) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial \dot{y}_k} dy_k - \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j(x) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial y_k} \dot{y}_k \right) dx \right]_i^f = 0 \quad (34)$$

The Excess function given by equation (17) will take the form

$$F(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, \dot{y}_1, \dots, \dot{y}_n) - F(x, y_1, \dots, y_n, p_1, \dots, p_n) - \sum_{k=1}^n (\dot{y}_k - p_k) \frac{\partial F}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \geq 0$$

Since $F = \lambda_j \varphi_j$ then

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \left[\lambda_j \varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) - \lambda_j \varphi_j(x, y_k, p_k) - \sum_{k=1}^n (\dot{y}_k - p_k) \lambda_j \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial \dot{y}_k} \right] \geq 0$$

Because $\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \dot{y}_k - f_j(x, y_k) = 0$, the above can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j p_k \geq \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \dot{y}_k, \quad (35)$$

knowing that

$$\dot{y}_k = f_j(x, y_k)$$

$$p_k = \theta_j(x, y_k)$$

cause

$$\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \varphi_j(x, y_k, p_k) = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial \dot{y}_k} = 1 \quad \text{by equation (33).}$$

Define

$$L = \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j p_k = \sum_{j=1}^p \lambda_j \theta_j(x, y_k); \quad (36a)$$

by virtue of the Euler-Lagrange equations, equation (36a) must satisfy

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_k} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial y_k^2} \leq 0 \quad \text{for minimization,} \quad (36b)$$

where the y_k 's referred to here are those functions mentioned in eq (25,27), and must all satisfy the imposed constraints. This form of the excess function is equivalent to Pontryagin's maximum principle.

In the case of the Legendre-Clibsch Condition (equation 18)

Look at

$$\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = 0 \quad (a)$$

using Taylor's Expansion

$$\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \varphi_j(x, y_k, p_k) + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial p_k} (\dot{y}_k - p_k) = 0 \quad (b)$$

since

$$\varphi_j(x, y_k, \dot{y}_k) = \varphi_j(x, y_k, p_k) = 0$$

equation (b) reduces to

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial \varphi_j}{\partial p_k} (\dot{y}_k - p_k) = 0 \quad j=1, \dots, p \quad (37)$$

Therefore for a system of work variations, equation (18) must be satisfied along with equation (37).

In the following pages three problems dealing with trajectories have been worked out. All three deal with maximizing the ranges. The first problem is analyzed without drag & without constraints; the second problem approximates drag linearly, but does not include constraints. The last problem deals with no drag but constraints are placed on the mass flow rate.

Consider the following problem:

A rocket is launched at time $t=0$ from the point $x=0, y=0$ with initial velocities $u=0$ and $v=0$. It is assumed that the propellant mass flow is prescribed, but its thrust direction remains to be determined. The only restriction on the thrust direction is that it lie in a vertical plane through the launch point. The description on the mass propellant flow is such that between time $t=0$ and time $t=T$ a mass propellant flow shall exist. At time $t=T$ the propellant flow will be discontinued (the engine shut down) and the rocket will then move under the influence of gravity along a ballistic trajectory. Drag will be neglected in this analysis, with the propellant mass flow given. With the above stated conditions the problem shall be to find the maximum horizontal range.

The following shall be taken as the arrangement of the coordinate axes:

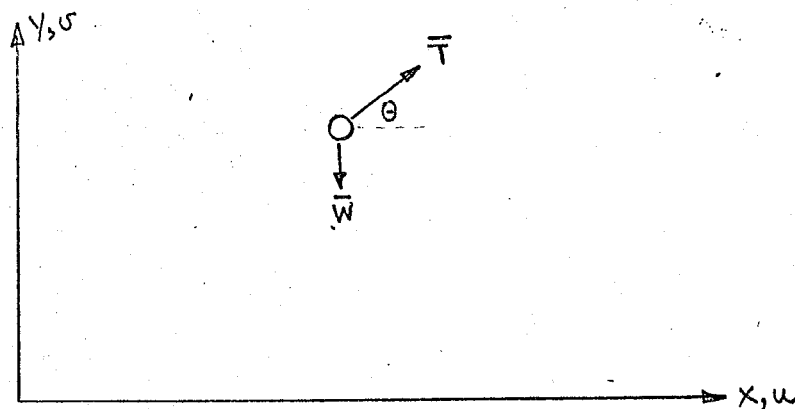


FIG 3

u and v shall be the horizontal and vertical velocities respectively, $\vec{T}$ shall be the thrust vector and θ the angle between the thrust vector and the x coordinate axis; the weight will be subject to a uniform gravitational field.

Let the acceleration due to thrust be given by

$$a = |\vec{a}| = \left| \frac{\vec{T}}{m} \right|$$

Thus the equations of motion of the rocket are:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \ddot{u} &= a \cos \theta \\ \ddot{v} &= a \sin \theta - g \\ \dot{x} &= u \\ \dot{y} &= v \end{aligned} \right\} (I \ a, b, c, d)$$

Assume that at $t = T$ the rocket has achieved a downrange distance x_1 , an altitude y_1 , a horizontal velocity u_1 , and a vertical velocity v_1 . At engine shut down the rocket follows a ballistic trajectory so that the equations of motion are

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \ddot{u} &= 0 \\ \ddot{v} &= -g \\ \ddot{x} &= q_1 \cos \theta_1 \\ \ddot{y} &= q_1 \sin \theta_1 - gt^B \end{aligned} \right\} \text{(II a, b, c, d)}$$

where now t^B is the time measured from engine shut down, q_1 is the magnitude of the velocity vector at engine shut down and θ_1 is the angle between q_1 and the x coordinate axis. Superscript B will denote those quantities relating to the ballistic trajectory are only. Integrating the equations (II c, d) leads to

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x^B &= q_1 \cos \theta_1 t^B \\ y^B &= q_1 \sin \theta_1 t^B - \frac{1}{2} g t^{B^2} + y_1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{(III a, b)}$$

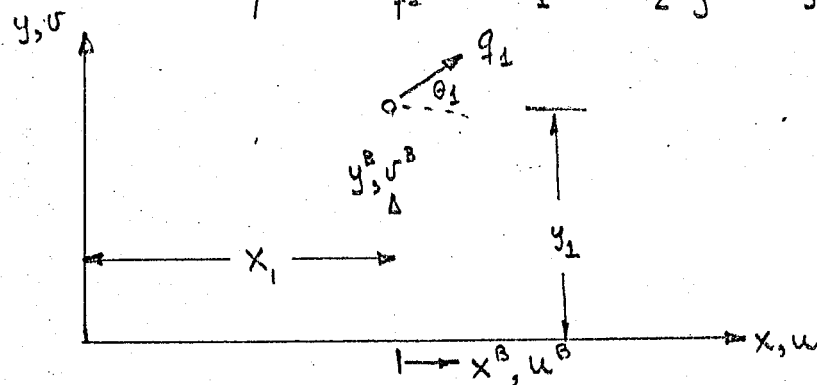


FIG 4

at time t_*^B , $y^B = 0$ (impact). Solving for t_*^B leads to

$$t_*^B = \frac{q_1 \sin \theta_1 + \sqrt{q_1^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 + 2gy_1}}{g} = \frac{v_1 + \sqrt{v_1^2 + 2gy_1}}{g} \quad \text{(IV)}$$

Substitution of t_*^B into x^B (III a) leads to

$$x^B = \frac{u_1}{g} \left[v_1 + \sqrt{v_1^2 + 2gy_1} \right] \quad \text{(V)}$$

Therefore the total distance to be maximized

$$x = x_1 + x^B = x_1 + \frac{u_1}{g} \left[v_1 + \sqrt{v_1^2 + 2gy_1} \right] \quad \text{(VI)}$$

Defining Lagrange multipliers $\lambda_u(t)$, $\lambda_v(t)$, $\lambda_x(t)$, $\lambda_y(t)$ the augmented function is formed:

$$F = \lambda_u [\dot{u} - a \cos \theta] + \lambda_v [\dot{v} - a \sin \theta + g] + \lambda_x [\dot{x} - u] + \lambda_y [\dot{y} - v] \quad (VII)$$

Using the Euler Lagrange Equation one obtains

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lambda_x &= 0 \\ \lambda_y &= 0 \\ \lambda_x + \lambda_u &= 0 \\ \lambda_y + \lambda_v &= 0 \\ a(\lambda_u \sin \theta - \lambda_v \cos \theta) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{VIII (a-e)}$$

Integrating eq 8(a-d) :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lambda_x &= C_1 \\ \lambda_y &= C_2 \\ \lambda_u &= C_{11} - C_1 t \\ \lambda_v &= C_{22} - C_2 t \end{aligned} \right\} \text{IX (a-d)}$$

From eq 8e & 9c,d

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\lambda_v}{\lambda_u} = \frac{C_{22} - C_2 t}{C_{11} - C_1 t} \quad \text{IXe.}$$

This is the bilinear equation attributed to Lawden.

Since the function to be maximized is $G = x = x(x_1, y_1, u_1, v_1)$. If G is taken in this manner, inequality of eq(3.6b) changes. Differentiation of equation (VI) and application to the transversality leads to

$$dG - \bar{C} dt + \lambda_u du + \lambda_v dv + \lambda_x dx + \lambda_y dy \Big|_i^f = 0 \quad (X)$$

where $\bar{C} = \lambda_u \dot{u} + \lambda_v \dot{v} + \lambda_x \dot{x} + \lambda_y \dot{y}$ (eq 30). This is a result obtained from the first integral since the augmented function is not an explicit function of time. Since no end conditions are prescribed at time $t = T$ the following data is obtained from equation (X):

$$\lambda_{u_f} = -\left(\frac{v_1 + r}{g}\right) \quad \lambda_{v_f} = -\frac{u_1}{r} \quad \lambda_{x_f} = -\frac{u_1}{r} \quad \lambda_{y_f} = -1 \quad \text{(XI (a-d))}$$

Application of the corner conditions show that $C_- = C_+$, and that the multipliers are continuous (IIa,b); $\therefore \lambda_{x_f} = \lambda_x = -1$ and

$$\lambda_{y_f} = \lambda_y = -u_1/r$$

Note: $r = \sqrt{v_1^2 + 2gy_1}$

Substitution of $t=T$ into I & c & d and equating the result to eq (II a, b) leads to

$$C_{11} = - \left[T + \left(\frac{v_1 + r}{g} \right) \right]$$

$$C_{22} = - \frac{u_1}{r} C_{11}$$

Thus

$$\lambda u = (t - T) - \left(\frac{v_1 + r}{g} \right)$$

$$\lambda v = u_1/r \lambda u$$

$$\lambda x = -1$$

$$\lambda y = -u_1/r$$

} XII a-d

Using the Weierstrass Condition on Θ shows that Θ must lie in the first quadrant for maximum range (Equation 3b b with inequality reversed)

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \Theta} = 0 \text{ shows } \tan \Theta = \frac{\lambda v}{\lambda u} = u_1/r ; \text{ note } \sin \Theta = \frac{\lambda v}{-\sqrt{\lambda u^2 + \lambda v^2}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \Theta^2} = + (1 + u_1^2/r^2) \cos \Theta \geq 0 \text{ shows } 0 \leq \Theta \leq \pi/2 \text{ for } u_1 > 0$$

Θ is not discontinuous because it is a solution to the equation

$\tan \Theta = \text{constant}$, a result attributed to Fried & Richardson.

Assuming the thrust acceleration

$a = \frac{c\beta}{m}$ where c is the exhaust velocity of the gases and β is the mass propellant flow rate and that the mass flow rate is a constant, integrating the equations of motion lead to:

$$u = c \cos \Theta \ln (m_0/m_0 - \beta t)$$

XIII a-d

$$v = c \sin \Theta \ln (m_0/m_0 - \beta t) - gt$$

$$x = c \cos \Theta \left[t \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - \beta t} \right) + 1 \right\} - \frac{m_0}{\beta} \ln \left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - \beta t} \right) \right]$$

$$y = c \sin \Theta \left[t \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - \beta t} \right) + 1 \right\} - \frac{m_0}{\beta} \ln \left(\frac{m_0}{m_0 - \beta t} \right) \right] - gt^2/2$$

at $t = T$

$$v_1 = c \ln B \sin \theta - gT$$

$$u_1 = c \ln B \cos \theta$$

$$y_1 = c \sin \theta \left[T(\ln B + 1) - \frac{m_0}{\beta} \ln B \right] - g \frac{T^2}{2} \quad \text{XIV (a-d)}$$

$$x_1 = c \cos \theta \left[T(\ln B + 1) - \frac{m_0}{\beta} \ln B \right]$$

where $B = m_0/m_0 - \beta T$ and m_0 is $\frac{w_0}{g}$ at $t=0$.

Defining

$$A = c \ln B$$

$$D = 2gCT$$

$$E = -2gm_0/\beta$$

The solution to

$$\sin^3 \theta + \left(\frac{2A^2}{D+EA} \right) \sin^2 \theta - \frac{A^2}{D+EA} = 0 \quad \text{gives the angle}$$

lying in the first quadrant and thus defines $u(t)$, $v(t)$, $x(t)$, $y(t)$ completely. In the ballistic trajectory the following equations hold:

$$u = u_1$$

$$v = v_1 - g(t-T)$$

$$x = x_1 + u_1(t-T)$$

$$y = y_1 + v_1(t-T) - \frac{1}{2}g(t-T)^2 \quad \text{XV (a-d)}$$

$$T \leq t \leq \text{flight time}$$

where flight time = $T + \left(\frac{v_1 + v}{g} \right)$.

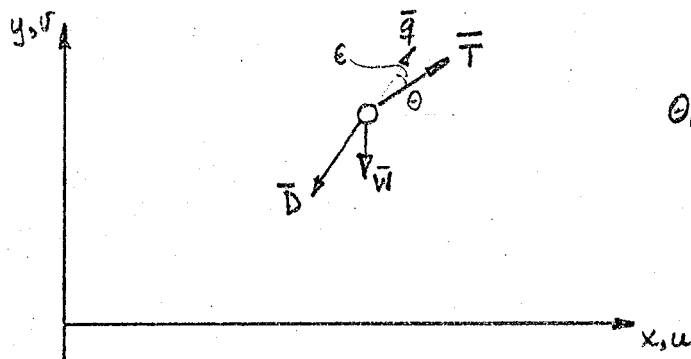
The results of this analysis are shown on figures 1, 2, 3. They have been plotted for $c = 9000$ ft/sec, $w_0 = 60,000$ lb, $\beta = 400, 500, 600$ lbs/sec

$$T = l \frac{w_0}{\beta} \quad \text{where} \quad l = \frac{\text{initial weight} - \text{structural weight}}{\text{initial weight}} = .88$$

The results of other runs made for this (no drag) case and the following ($\bar{D} = k\bar{q}$) case are given in tables 1 & 2.

see App. A for a copy of computer program used.

This problem is identically the same as the previous one except that drag is included in this analysis:



$$\theta_D = \theta + \epsilon; \quad \bar{q} = u\bar{i} + v\bar{j}$$

FIG 5

Drag will be taken to be $\bar{D} = k\bar{q}$ (a linear ^{function} of the velocity)

The equations of motion are:

$$\ddot{u} = a \cos \theta - \frac{kq}{m} \cos \theta_D$$

I (a-d)

$$\ddot{v} = a \sin \theta - \frac{kq}{m} \sin \theta_D - g$$

$$\dot{x} = u$$

$$\dot{y} = v$$

again at shutdown ($t = T$)

$$\ddot{u} = -\frac{kq}{m_1} \cos \theta_D$$

II (a-d)

$$\ddot{v} = -\frac{kq}{m_1} \sin \theta_D - g$$

$$\dot{x} = u$$

$$\dot{y} = v$$

Since $u = g \cos \theta$, $v = g \sin \theta$ where $m_1 = m$ @ $t = T$

integration of II (a-d) leads to

$$u^B = u_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}$$

$$v^B = -\frac{m_1 g}{k} + \left(v_1 + \frac{m_1 g}{k}\right) e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}$$

III (a-d)

$$x^B = \frac{u_1}{k} m_1 \left[1 - e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}\right]$$

$$y^B = y_1 - \frac{m_1 g}{k} t^B + \frac{m_1}{k} \left(v_1 + \frac{m_1 g}{k}\right) \left[1 - e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}\right]$$

see figure 4 for definition of u_1, v_1, y_1 .

Defining t_*^B when $y^B = 0$, the maximum range is given by

$$x = x_1 + \frac{\mu_1}{\kappa} m_1 \left[1 - e^{-\frac{\kappa t_*^B}{m_1}} \right] \quad (\text{total range from } t=0) \quad \text{IV}$$

Forming the augmented matrix & defining Lagrange multipliers as before:

$$F = \lambda_u (\dot{u} - a \cos \theta + \frac{\kappa u}{m}) + \lambda_v (\dot{v} - a \sin \theta + \frac{\kappa v}{m} + g) + \lambda_x (\dot{x} - u) + \lambda_y (\dot{y} - v)$$

we obtain the Euler-Lagrange equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_x &= 0 \\ \lambda_y &= 0 \\ \lambda_x - \frac{\kappa}{m} \lambda_u + \lambda \dot{u} &= 0 \\ \lambda_y - \frac{\kappa}{m} \lambda_v + \lambda \dot{v} &= 0 \\ a (\lambda_u \sin \theta - \lambda_v \cos \theta) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{V (a-e)}$$

Integration of V (a-d) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_x &= C_1 \\ \lambda_y &= C_2 \\ \lambda_u &= C_1 \left[\frac{m}{\kappa + \beta} \right] + C_{11} m^{-\kappa/\beta} \\ \lambda_v &= C_2 \left[\frac{m}{\kappa + \beta} \right] + C_{22} m^{-\kappa/\beta} \end{aligned} \quad \text{VI (a-d)}$$

Equation V e leads to

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\lambda_v}{\lambda_u} \quad \text{VI e}$$

Using the transversality condition

$$dG - \bar{C} dt + \lambda_x dx + \lambda_y dy + \lambda_v dv + \lambda_u du \Big|_i^f = 0 \quad \text{VII}$$

where $G = X = X(x_1, u_1, t_*^B(y_1, v_1))$ and $\bar{C}$ is defined by the first integral

Since the end conditions at $t=T$ are not prescribed the transversality condition leads to

$$\lambda_{x_f} = -1 \quad \lambda_{y_f} = -\frac{m_1}{\kappa} \left[1 - e^{-\frac{\kappa t_*^B}{m_1}} \right]$$

$$\lambda_{y_f} = \frac{u_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}{\frac{m_1 g}{K} \left[e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} - 1 \right] + v_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}$$

$$\lambda_{y_f} = \frac{\frac{m_1}{K} u_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} \left[1 - e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} \right]}{\frac{m_1 g}{K} \left[e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} - 1 \right] + v_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}$$

VIII(a-d)

by the corner conditions [eq 11a,b] the Lagrange multipliers are continuous as well as the constant of the first integral, $\bar{C}$.
By setting $t = T$ C_{11} & C_{22} are found; Because of the continuity of the multipliers $\lambda_x = \lambda_{x_f} = C_1$, $\lambda_y = \lambda_{y_f} = C_2$. These results lead to

$$\lambda_u = \frac{-1}{(K+\beta)K} \left[\left(m_1 \beta - (K+\beta) m_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} \right) \left(\frac{m_1}{m} \right)^{K/\beta} - m_1 K \right]$$

$$\lambda_v = \frac{u_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}{\frac{m_1 g}{K} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} \right) - v_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}} \cdot \lambda_u$$

IX (a-d)

$$\lambda_x = -1$$

$$\lambda_y = \frac{-u_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}{\frac{m_1 g}{K} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}} \right) - v_1 e^{-\frac{kt^B}{m_1}}}$$

Integration of the equations of motion I(a-d) leads to

$$0 \leq t \leq T$$

$$u = \frac{\beta C}{K} \cos \theta \left[1 - \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{K/\beta} \right]$$

$$v = \frac{C\beta}{K} \sin \theta \left[1 - \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{K/\beta} \right] - \frac{g}{K-\beta} \left[m - m_0 \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{K/\beta} \right] \quad \text{X(a-d)}$$

$$x = \frac{m_0 C \cos \theta}{K} \left[\frac{K}{K+\beta} + \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{1+K/\beta} \left(\frac{\beta}{K+\beta} \right) - \frac{m}{m_0} \right]$$

$$y = \frac{m_0 C}{K} \sin \theta \left[\left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{1+K/\beta} \frac{\beta}{K+\beta} + \frac{K}{K+\beta} - \frac{m}{m_0} \right] + \frac{g m_0^2}{\beta(K-\beta)} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^2 - \frac{\beta}{K+\beta} \left(\frac{m}{m_0} \right)^{1+K/\beta} - \frac{K-\beta}{2(K+\beta)} \right]$$

It should be noted that the thrust direction angle is found constant, as in the previous analysis.

Simultaneous solution of the thrust direction equation (VIIa) and equation (III) where y^B is set equal to zero, yields solutions for t^B and θ . Knowledge of these parameters defines $u(t)$, $v(t)$, $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ completely.

Thus in the ballistic trajectory the governing equations become

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= u_1 e^{-\frac{\kappa(t-T)}{m_1}} \\
 v &= -\frac{m_1 g}{\kappa} + \left(v_1 + \frac{m_1 g}{\kappa}\right) e^{-\frac{\kappa(t-T)}{m_1}} \\
 x &= x_1 + \frac{u_1 m_1}{\kappa} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{\kappa(t-T)}{m_1}}\right) \\
 y &= y_1 - \frac{m_1 g}{\kappa} (t-T) + \frac{m_1}{\kappa} \left(v_1 + \frac{m_1 g}{\kappa}\right) \left(1 - e^{-\frac{\kappa(t-T)}{m_1}}\right)
 \end{aligned}
 \quad T \leq t \leq T+t_*^B \quad \text{XI(a-d)}$$

The results of this analysis are shown on figures 1,2,4. They have been plotted for $c = 9000 \text{ ft/sec}$, $w_0 = 60,000 \text{ lb}$, $\beta = 400, 500, 600 \text{ lbs/sec}$ and $T = l * \frac{w_0}{\beta}$ where $l = \frac{m_0 - m_1}{m_0}$ as defined previously.

In order to verify the analysis performed one should take the pertinent equations and see if in the limit as κ tends to zero, the equations tend to those found for the no drag case. This has been done, and all the equations have been verified, but will not be shown here.

see App. B for computer program used.

But the problem is not solved

Consider now the problem discussed previously - that of no drag. Previously no constraints had been placed on any of the variables. Let us now contemplate the same problem but now impose a constraint on the propellant mass flow rate,

$$0 \leq \beta \leq \beta_{\max}$$

Therefore the governing equations become

$$\dot{x} = u$$

$$\dot{y} = v$$

$$\dot{u} = \frac{c\beta}{m} \cos \theta$$

$$\dot{v} = -\frac{c\beta}{m} \sin \theta - g$$

$$\dot{m} = -\beta$$

$$0 \leq \beta \leq \beta_{\max}$$

(change in mass of rocket is negative propellant mass flow rate)

or $\beta(\beta_{\max} - \beta) - \gamma^2 = 0$ (obtained by use of equation 28)

From the above there are six equations and eight unknowns $x, y, u, v, \beta, m, \theta, \gamma$. Since two degrees of freedom exist, $\beta(t)$ and $\theta(t)$ will then be maximized with respect to the problem at hand, i.e. maximum range.

Setting up the augmented function:

$$F = \lambda_x (\dot{x} - u) + \lambda_y (\dot{y} - v) + \lambda_u (\dot{u} - \frac{c\beta}{m} \cos \theta) + \lambda_v (\dot{v} - \frac{c\beta}{m} \sin \theta - g) + \lambda_m (\dot{m} + \beta) + \lambda_\gamma (\beta[\beta_{\max} - \beta] - \gamma^2)$$

From the Euler-Lagrange Equations:

$$-\dot{\lambda}_x = 0$$

$$-\dot{\lambda}_y = 0$$

$$-(\lambda_x + \dot{\lambda}_u) = 0$$

$$-(\lambda_y + \dot{\lambda}_v) = 0$$

$$-\frac{c}{m} (\lambda_u \cos \theta + \lambda_v \sin \theta) + \lambda_m + (\beta_{\max} - 2\beta) \lambda_\gamma = 0$$

$$-2\gamma \lambda_\gamma = 0$$

$$\frac{c\beta}{m} [\lambda_u \sin \theta - \lambda_v \cos \theta] = 0$$

$$\frac{c\beta}{m^2} [\lambda_u \cos \theta + \lambda_v \sin \theta] - \dot{\lambda}_m = 0$$

II (a-h)

This leads to

$$\lambda_x = C_1$$

$$\lambda_y = C_2$$

$$\lambda_u = C_{11} - C_1 t$$

$$\lambda_v = C_{22} - C_2 t$$

$$\tan \theta = (C_{22} - C_2 t) / (C_{11} - C_1 t)$$

either $\gamma = 0$ or $\lambda_\gamma = 0$

Application of 3b a with respect to θ :

III (a-f)

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{c\beta}{m} (\lambda u \sin \theta - \lambda v \cos \theta) = 0 \quad \text{as per (I g).}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta^2} = -\frac{c\beta}{m} (\lambda u \cos \theta + \lambda v \sin \theta) \geq 0 \quad \text{for maximization;}$$

$$\text{but since } \tan \theta = \frac{\lambda v}{\lambda u}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{\lambda v}{\pm \sqrt{\lambda u^2 + \lambda v^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\lambda u}{\pm \sqrt{\lambda u^2 + \lambda v^2}},$$

the negative square root must therefore be used.

Attempt to use this technique on the variable β is impossible since

$$\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta^2} = 0. \quad \text{Application of the theory of minima & maxima of a function}$$

of two variables show that $L_{,\theta\theta} L_{,\beta\beta} - L_{,\theta\beta}^2 = 0$. This implies that further investigation is necessary to establish extrema. Therefore if maximum exists for β , investigation shows that it will occur at one of the end points of the interval $0 \leq \beta \leq \beta_{\max}$.

By use of the transversality condition (eq 34) one obtains

$$-\bar{c} dt \Big|_{t_0}^{t_f} + \lambda_x dx + \lambda_y dy + \lambda_v dv + \lambda_u du + \lambda_m dm + dx_f = 0$$

IV

$$\begin{array}{llll} \bar{c}_f = 0 & \lambda_{v_f} = 0 & dy_f = 0 & dy_i = 0 \\ \lambda_{x_f} = -1 & \lambda_{u_f} = 0 & dx_i = 0 & dm_f = dm_i = 0 \end{array}$$

the above are obtained by applying the conditions that $u=v=x=y=0, m=m_0$ @ $t=0$ and $y=0, m=m_1$ @ $t=T_{\text{TOT}}$, where T_{TOT} is total flight time from launch to impact.

Because the augmented function is not explicit in time

$$\lambda_x \dot{x} + \lambda_y \dot{y} + \lambda_v \dot{v} + \lambda_u \dot{u} + \lambda_m \dot{m} = \bar{c} \quad \text{V}$$

Our interest lies at $t = T_{\text{TOT}}$. At this point $\bar{c} = \bar{c}_f = 0$, $\lambda_x = \lambda_{x_f} = -1$

$\lambda_y = \lambda_{y_f}$, $\lambda_v = \lambda_{v_f} = 0$, $\lambda_u = \lambda_{u_f} = 0$, $\dot{m} = -\beta$. Therefore V reduces to

$$-\dot{x}_f + \lambda_{y_f} \dot{y}_f - \lambda_{m_f} \beta = 0 \quad \text{VI}$$

Application of the corner conditions, if a discontinuity were to exist, shows that

$\lambda_x, \lambda_y, \lambda_u, \lambda_v, \lambda_m$ are continuous at the point of discontinuity, as well as the constant of the first integral, $\bar{c}$.

Using this result on equations III (a-c) yields

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda_x &= -1 \\
\lambda_y &= C_2 \\
\lambda_u &= -(T_{\text{TOT}} - t) \\
\lambda_v &= C_2 (T_{\text{TOT}} - t) \\
\tan \Theta &= -C_2
\end{aligned}
\quad \text{VII (a-e)}$$

Most important of these results is equation VII e which states that the thrust vector is maintained at a constant angle. Returning the equation VII one can see that

$$C_2 = \frac{\dot{x}_f + \lambda_{m_f} \beta}{y_f} \quad \text{VIII}$$

a result due to Hiele.

Let us investigate the mass flow rates possible. Define a switching function

$$K\beta = \frac{c}{m} [\lambda_x \cos \Theta + \lambda_v \sin \Theta] - \lambda_m \quad \text{IX}$$

Differentiation of $K\beta$ with respect to time and use of the Euler-Lagrange equation $\Pi(c, d, g, h)$ yields

$$\dot{K}\beta = -\frac{c}{m} (\lambda_x \cos \Theta + \lambda_y \sin \Theta) \quad \text{X}$$

If λ_y were 0, from eq IIe one would obtain $K\beta = 0$ and thereby leading to $\dot{K}\beta = 0$. Such a result would lead to

$$\dot{K}\beta = \lambda_x^2 + \lambda_y^2 = 0 \quad \text{This is not possible since}$$

λ_x and λ_y are real constants not equal to zero (actually C_2 is unknown; even if it were zero, λ_x is still -1 ; therefore $\dot{K}\beta$ could not be zero).

Therefore $\lambda_x \neq 0$ and $\gamma = 0$. Therefore $\beta = \beta_{\text{max}}$ or $\beta = 0$. This result confirms the fact that L defined by eq (3.6a) does not have a relative maximum with respect to β and therefore one must look at the endpoints for the right value of β .

Returning to the first integral for a moment, it can be rewritten as

$\bar{C} = \lambda_x \dot{x} + \lambda_y \dot{y} + K\beta \beta$. If a discontinuity exists it must exist in β from the results obtained. This implies that $K\beta = 0$ at the discontinuity since $\bar{C}$, λ_x , $\dot{x}$, λ_y , $\dot{y}$ are all continuous there.

By the description of the problem, i.e. a rocket which is to maximize its range, it is necessary that the initial phase be powered to get the rocket off the launch pad

Let us assume that the total trajectory is powered; therefore from equation (II h) one obtains

$$\lambda_m = c \left[\frac{T_{\text{tot}} - t}{m} + \int_0^{T_{\text{tot}}} \frac{dt}{m} \right] \sqrt{1 + c_2^2}$$

and since $\beta = \beta_{\text{max}}$ the $m = m_0 - \beta_{\text{max}} t$ from eq (Ic), then

$$\lambda_m = c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2} \left[\frac{T_{\text{tot}} - t}{m} + \frac{1}{\beta_{\text{max}}} \ln \frac{m_0}{m} \right]$$

@ $t = T_{\text{tot}}$ $\lambda_m = \lambda_{mf} = c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2} \left[\frac{1}{\beta_{\text{max}}} \ln \frac{m_0}{m_1} \right]$. By rewriting eq IV

$$\dot{y}_f = \frac{\dot{x}_f + \frac{c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2} \ln \frac{m_0}{m_1}}{c_2}}{c_2} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{1 + c_2^2}} \ln \frac{m_0}{m_1} \left[\frac{2 + c_2^2}{c_2} \right]$$

If $c_2 > 0$, $\dot{y}_f > 0$; this is physically impossible if impact is to occur.

If $c_2 < 0$, $\dot{y}_f < 0$, $y_f < 0$; this is not possible for it violates the condition on y @ $t = T_{\text{tot}}$, namely $y_f = 0$. Therefore $\beta \neq \beta_{\text{max}}$ @ impact point.

Thus the trajectory is made up of two subarcs: the first is a powered arc flown at $\beta = \beta_{\text{max}}$; the second is a coasting arc flown at $\beta = 0$. Thus equation reduces to

$$c_2 = \dot{x}_f / \dot{y}_f \quad \text{a result due to Miele.}$$

Note that $\dot{x}_f > 0$, $\dot{y}_f < 0$ for $c_2 < 0$.

Let t_1 be the time at which the mass propellant flow rate discontinuity exists. Then

$$m = m_0 - \beta_{\text{max}} t$$

$$m = m_1$$

$$0 \leq t \leq t_1$$

$$t_1 \leq t \leq T_{\text{tot}}$$

Integration of eq (II h) along with the condition of K_p

$$\lambda_m = -c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2} \left[\frac{T_{\text{tot}} - t}{m} + \frac{1}{\beta_{\text{max}}} \ln \frac{m}{m_1} \right] \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_1$$

$$\lambda_m = -c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2} \left[\frac{T_{\text{tot}} - t}{m_1} \right] \quad t_1 \leq t \leq T_{\text{tot}}$$

Using equation (II e) and the above yields

$$\lambda_x = - \frac{c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2}}{\beta_{\text{max}}} \ln \frac{m}{m_1} \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_1$$

$$\lambda_x = \frac{c \sqrt{1 + c_2^2}}{\beta_{\text{max}}} \left[\frac{t_1 - t}{m_1} \right] \quad t_1 \leq t \leq T_{\text{tot}}$$

In summary

$$m = m_0 - \beta_{\max} t$$

$$\lambda_m = -c \sqrt{1+c_2^2} \left[\frac{T_{\text{tot}} - t}{m} + \frac{1}{\beta_{\max}} \ln \frac{m}{m_1} \right]$$

$$\beta = \beta_{\max}$$

$$\lambda_g = - \frac{c \sqrt{1+c_2^2}}{\beta_{\max}} \ln \frac{m}{m_1}$$

XI (a-h)

$$v = c \sin \theta \ln \frac{m_0}{m} - gt$$

$$0 \leq t \leq t_1$$

$$u = c \cos \theta \ln \frac{m_0}{m}$$

$$y = \frac{c \sin \theta}{\beta_{\max}} \left\{ m \ln \frac{m}{m_0} + \beta_{\max} t \right\} - g \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{c \cos \theta}{\beta_{\max}} \left\{ m \ln \frac{m}{m_0} + \beta_{\max} t \right\}$$

$$m = m_1$$

$$\lambda_m = - \frac{c \sqrt{1+c_2^2}}{m_1} [T_{\text{tot}} - t_1]$$

$$\beta = 0$$

$$\lambda_g = \frac{c \sqrt{1+c_2^2}}{\beta_{\max}} \left[\frac{t_1 - t}{m} \right]$$

XII (a-h)

$$v = c \sin \theta \ln \frac{m_0}{m_1} - gt$$

$$t_1 \leq t \leq T_{\text{tot}}$$

$$u = c \cos \theta \ln \frac{m_0}{m_1}$$

$$y = \frac{c \sin \theta}{\beta_{\max}} \left\{ \bar{m} \ln \frac{m_1}{m_0} + \beta_{\max} t_1 \right\} - g \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{c \cos \theta}{\beta_{\max}} \left\{ \bar{m} \ln \frac{m_1}{m_0} + \beta_{\max} t_1 \right\}$$

where $\bar{m} = m_0 - \beta_{\max} t$

To obtain c_2 :

$$c_2 = \dot{x}_f / y_f \quad \text{Solution of}$$

$$\sin^3 \theta + \frac{2A^2}{D+EA} \sin^2 \theta - \frac{A^2}{D+EA} = 0$$

where

$$B = m_0/m_1$$

$$A = c \ln B$$

$$D = 2gc t_1$$

$$E = -2g m_0 / \beta_{max}$$

leads to three roots for θ .

The root leading to a value of θ in the first quadrant produces the maximum range condition. From

$$\tan \theta = -C_2$$

one obtains the value of C_2 .

C_2 must be negative if y is to decrease in the ballistic subarc, and $\dot{y}$ be less than zero at impact.

Note that all the results obtained depend on satisfying the multipliers and the conditions implied on the mass propellant flow switching function. There exists another switching function which depends on θ and is known as the thrust direction switching function. It is defined by

$$K_\theta = \lambda_u \cos \theta + \lambda_v \sin \theta$$

The switching function goes to zero when a discontinuity of 180° exists in the thrust direction. This however occurs only when λ_u & λ_v pass through zero at the same time. In this problem this only occurs at impact and is not discussed during the solution of the problem.

DISCUSSION & CONCLUSION

From the results given in table 1, it is noticed that the thrust direction angle decreases with increasing mass propellant flow rate (figure 5) for constant initial weight and exhaust gas velocity. It is also noticed that as the thrust direction angle decreases the range increases. Note runs 1 and 4: The angles are approximately the same, the ranges are approximately the same, yet run 1 was performed at one half the initial weight and one half the propellant flow rate. Therefore, if a mission were designed for a 500 mile range, the data from run 1 would be used. (Note M_1 , RUN 1 IS $\frac{1}{2} M_1$, RUN 4).

Note the effect of increasing the exhaust velocity of the gases (Runs 4 & 8). The angle has decreased by approximately two degrees, the horizontal velocity at the end of powered phase as well as the total flight time has almost doubled while the maximum altitude as well as the range has almost quadrupled.

Note that for increasing mass propellant flow rate, the angle of the thrust vector decreases. If the mass propellant flow rate keeps increasing the angle will decrease to a minimum angle of forty-five degrees. This occurs because the flow rate will be so high that the rocket will in effect have a powered flight phase of extremely short duration. This is nothing more than the definition of an impulse. This case will then approach the limiting problem of a particle given an initial velocity at time $t=0$. The maximum range is found to occur when the launching angle is forty-five degrees as predicted.

From the results given in table 2, it is noticed that the thrust direction angle decreases with increasing mass propellant flow rate for constant initial weight, proportionality constant and exhaust gas velocity. When the angle decreases the range increases to a maximum & then decreases (fig 6).

Note that as K becomes large, the overall effect tends to decrease the thrust vector angle as well as the range. As K goes to zero the results tend to approach the no drag results thus providing a good check on the analytical work.

The plotting of the results of tables 1 & 2 was affected in graphs 1-6.

Graph 1 - range versus altitude for varying beta indicates that when the drag proportionality constant goes from $K=0$ to a non-zero value, namely 1, the trajectory shrinks such that the range decreases by a factor of three and a maximum altitude by a factor of about four.

Note that in the initial powered phase, the trajectory is not parabolic in either the drag or no drag case. It should also be noted that at the end of the powered phase the acceleration is discontinuous as shown in Graphs 3 & 4. Graph 2 - range versus altitude for varying K shows that as K increases the effect is to decrease the maximum altitude as well as the range.

Graph 3 - the time history of a rocket with no drag shows the variation of $u, v, \lambda_u, \lambda_v$ as a function of time. Note the linearity of the Lagrange multipliers as predicted in the first problem dealt with. The intersection of the multipliers at impact time was predicted in the third problem dealt with.

The velocity diagrams show the non linear behavior expected during the powered phase. The discontinuity in their derivatives occurs at engine shutdown due to the loss of the thrust acceleration.

Graph 4 - the time history of a rocket with drag shows the variation of $u, v, \lambda_u, \lambda_v$ as a function of time. Note the non linearity of the Lagrange multipliers in the ballistic phase and their linearity in the powered phase. This is due to the fact that the thrust vector angle is constant in the powered phase and that λ_u and λ_v must satisfy the condition that at impact λ_u and λ_v are zero and be continuous at transition between powered & unpowered phase.

The velocity diagrams are non-linear in both subcases because of the drag term. Unlike the no drag case, u in the ballistic subcase is a decreasing exponential function of time.

The overall effect of these results were to confirm the effect of drag on a trajectory. These results have also confirmed what one expects in limiting cases, i.e. high flow rates for short durations and its relation to the initial velocity projectile and so the drag proportional to constant tends to zero the equations reduce to the no drag equations. However one should also discuss the calculus with respect to the problems it can solve. Because of the great difficulty in obtaining the Lagrange multipliers (due to coupling, non linear terms, etc.) only simple problems can be solved in this manner. More complex problems must be solved by numerical methods; this however tends to decrease the usefulness of the calculus in obtaining the analytical solutions to the family of these complex problems.

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TABLE 1

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* ALSO SAME AT IMPACT, THIS VALUE IS OBTAINED FOR THE TIME VALUE PRIOR TO THE CHANGE IN SIGN OF THE VELOCITY.

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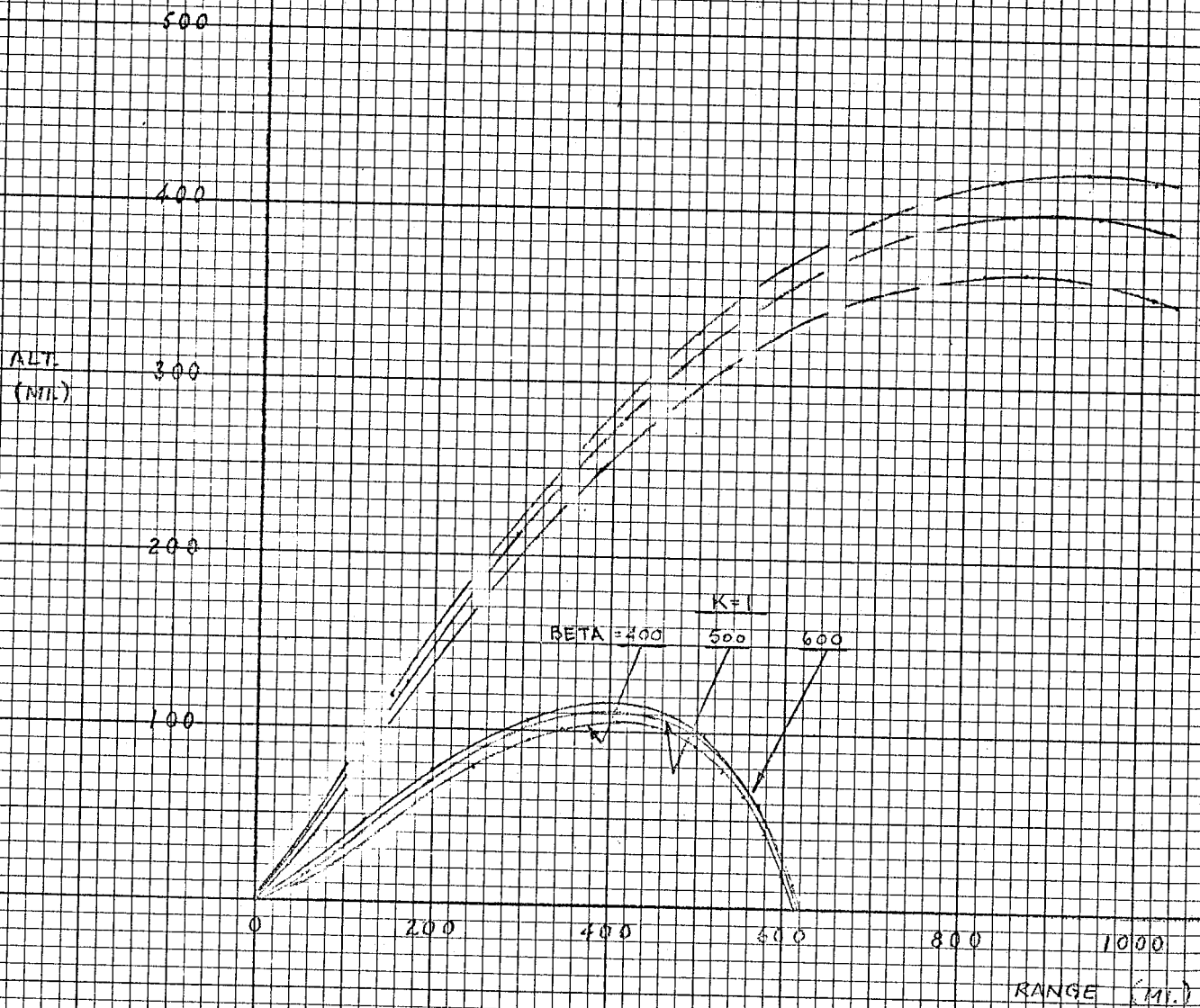
TABLE 2

Drag $\bar{D} = K \bar{q}$	K	$\frac{\text{lbs} \cdot \text{sec}^2}{\text{ft}}$	W_0 lbs	BETA $\frac{\text{lbs}}{\text{sec}}$	C $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$	POWERED FLT TIME sec	TOTAL FLT TIME sec	Θ DEGREES	α U AT END OF POWERED FLT $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$	U AT IMPACT $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$	V AT END OF POWERED FLT $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$	IV AT IMPACT $\frac{\text{ft}}{\text{sec}}$	MAX. ALT MI.	MAX. RANGE MI.	COEFF $1 - \frac{M_0}{M_0}$	W_1 lbs
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2	1.0	"	400	"	"	132	483.6	34.107	14014.6	3015.1	5573.2	4452.0	105.1	614.024	"	"
3	"	"	500	"	"	105.6	473.2	32.533	14745.0	2405.9	6288.4	4555.6	112.5	617.825	"	"
4a	"	"	600	"	"	88	465.9	31.571	15232.3	2855.4	6690.1	4614.1	116.8	618.850	"	"
5	1.5	"	500	"	"	105.6	411.4	29.062	14643.1	1938.4	5113.4	3487.8	77.3	477.002	"	"
6	"	"	600	"	"	88	402.7	28.008	15281.7	1876.2	5565.8	3527.0	80.2	474.287	"	"
MAX. RANGE CALCULATION																
4b	1.0	"	600	"	"	88	611.08	45.0	12640.3	1229.4	9971.3	5530.0	211.3	561.206	"	

THIS VALUE WAS OBTAINED FROM THE FIRST INCREMENT IN THE BALLISTIC TRAJECTORY; ACTUALLY THE VELOCITY IS HIGHER THAN THAT QUOTED.

FIG 1:

RANGE VS. ALTITUDE



ITITUDE FOR VARYING BETA

$W_0 = 60,000 \text{ lbs}$
 $C = 7000 \text{ ft/sec}$
 $m/m_0 = .12$
 $BETA = 400, 500, 600 \text{ lbs/sec}$

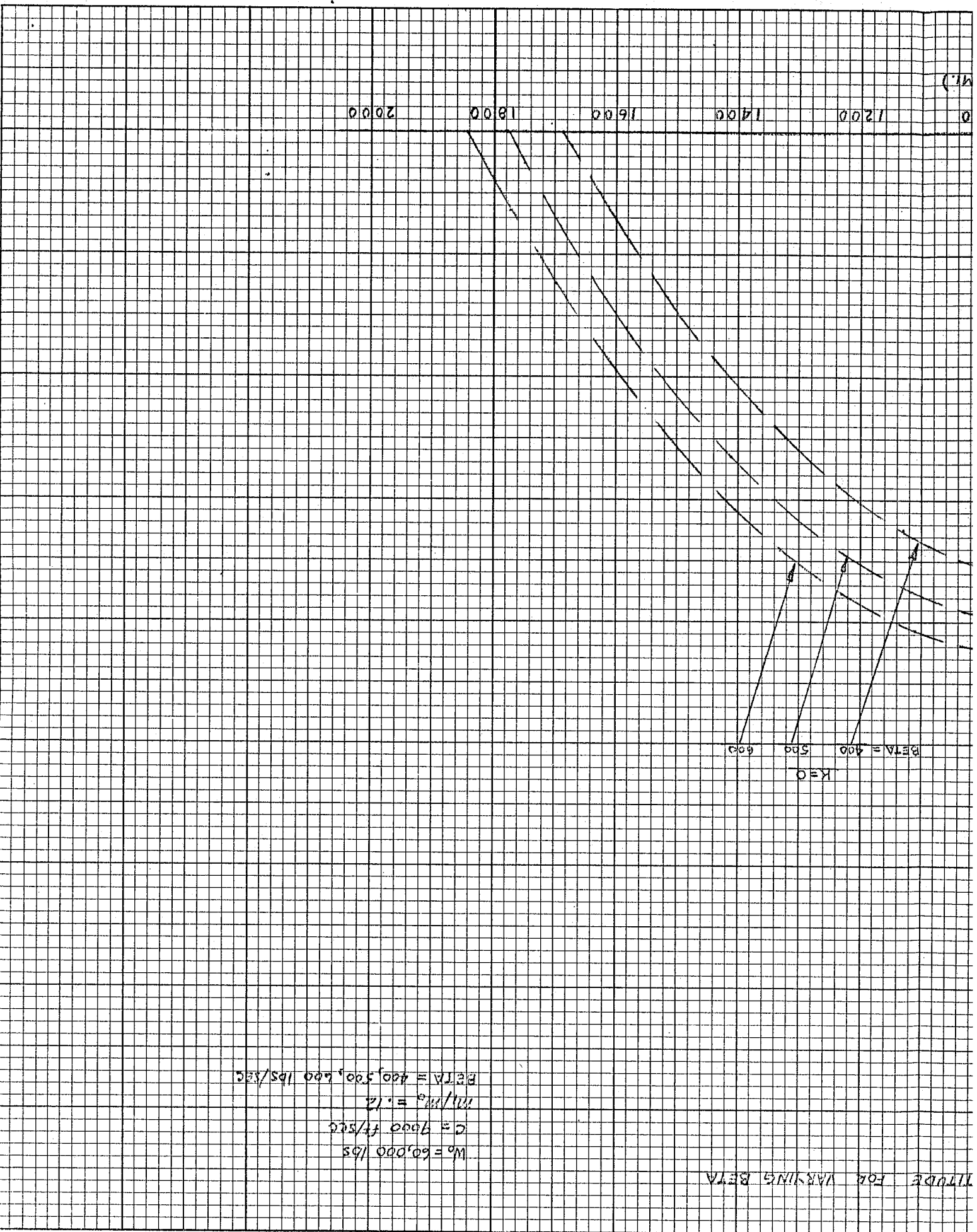
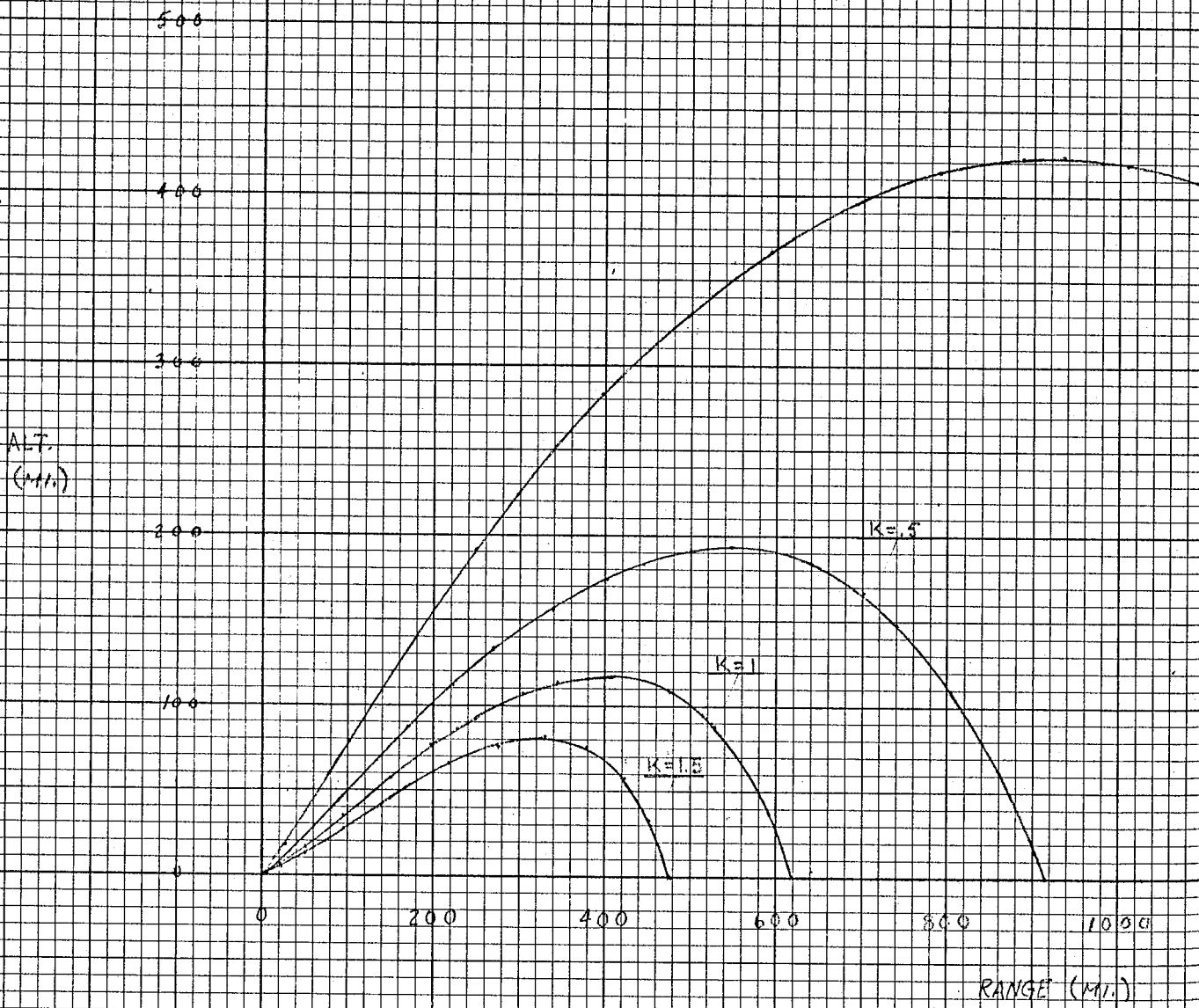


FIG 2:

RANGE VS. ALTITUDE FO

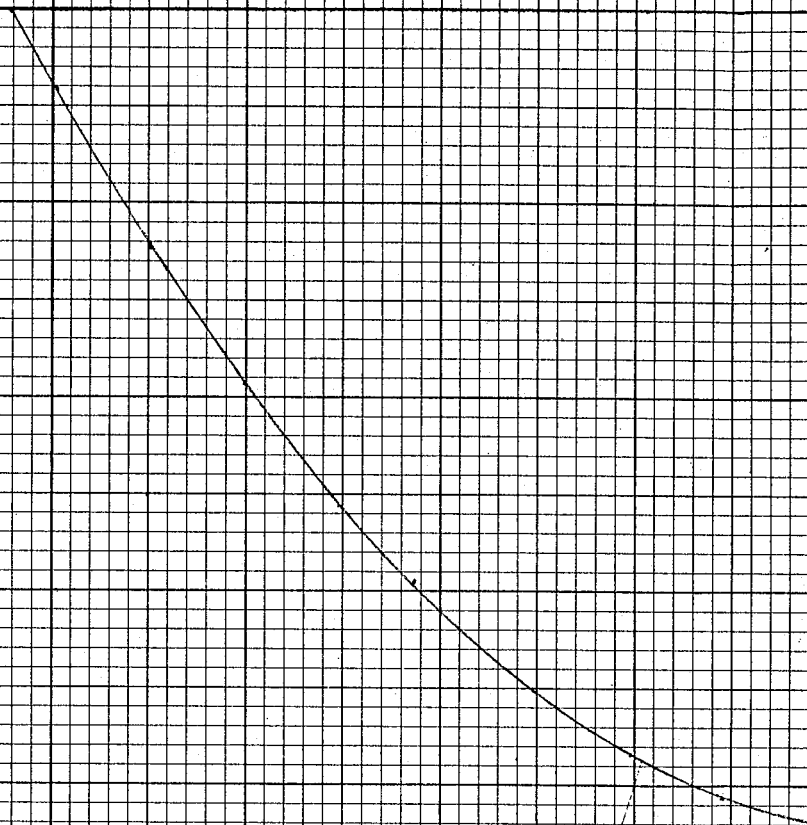


FOR VARYING K

$W_0 = 60,000 \text{ lbs}$
 $C = 9000 \text{ ft/sec}$
 $m_1/m_0 = .12$
 $RTM = 600 \text{ lbs/sec}$

$K=0$

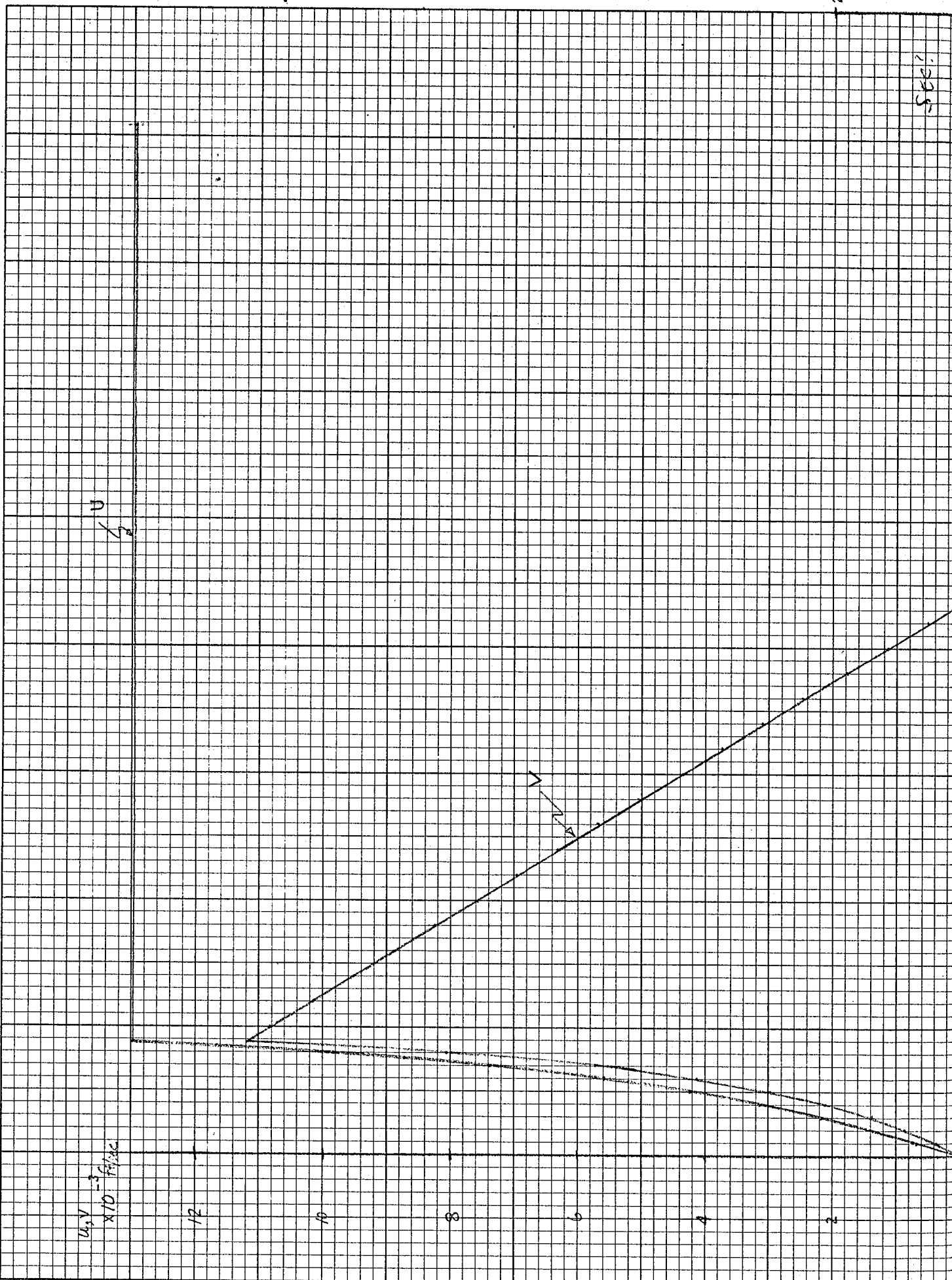
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$u_2 V \times 10^{-3} \text{ ft/sec}$

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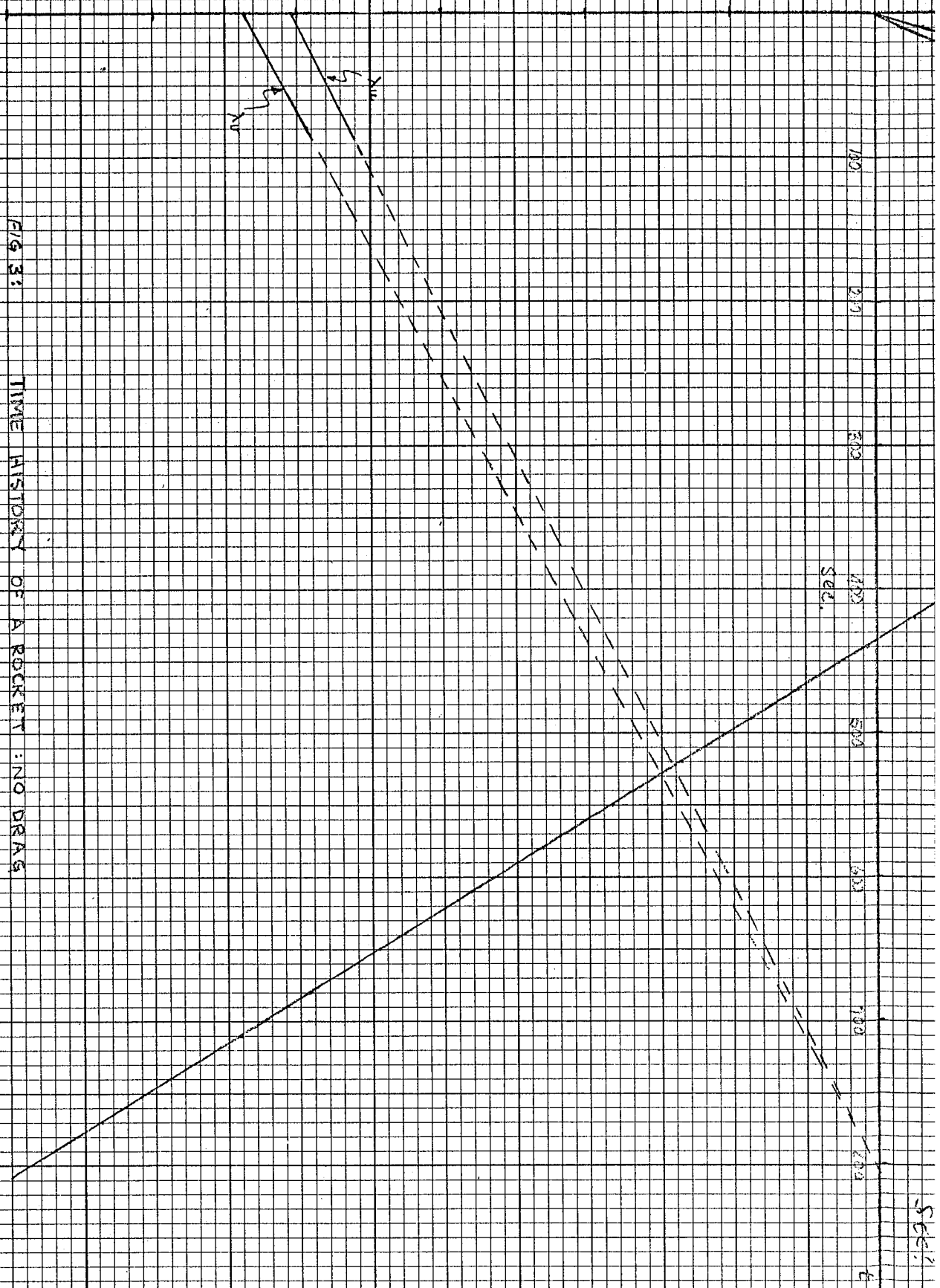
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FIG. 3: TIME HISTORY OF A ROCKET: NO DRAG

$W_0 = 60,000 \text{ lbs}$
 $RAT = 600 \text{ lbs/sec}$
 $m/m_0 = .12$
 $C = 9000 \text{ lbs}$



$W_0 = 60,000 \text{ lbs}$
 $BETA = 600 \text{ lbs/sec}$
 $C = 9000 \text{ ft/sec}$
 $M_1/M_0 = .12$

$U, N \times 10^3$
 ft/sec

1/2

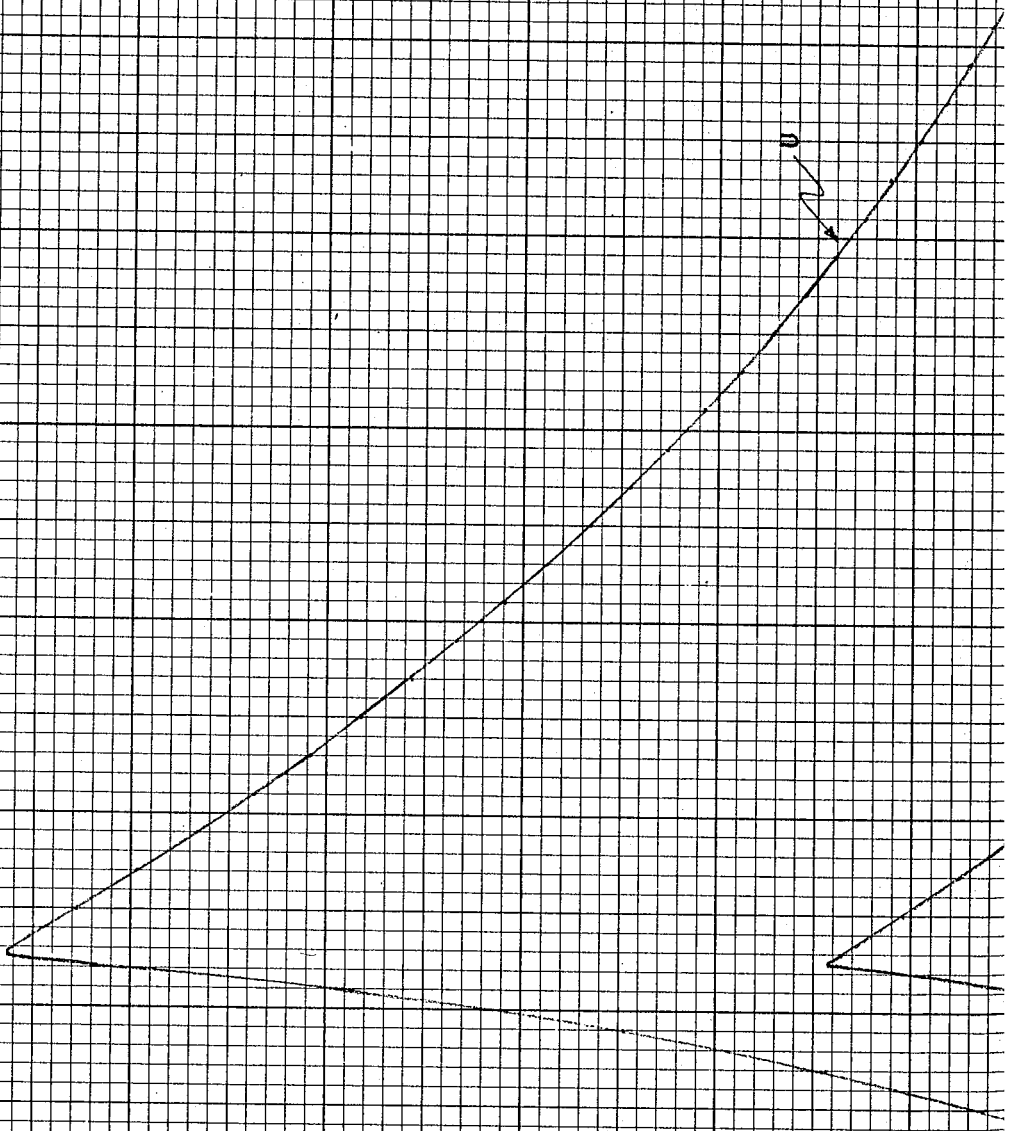
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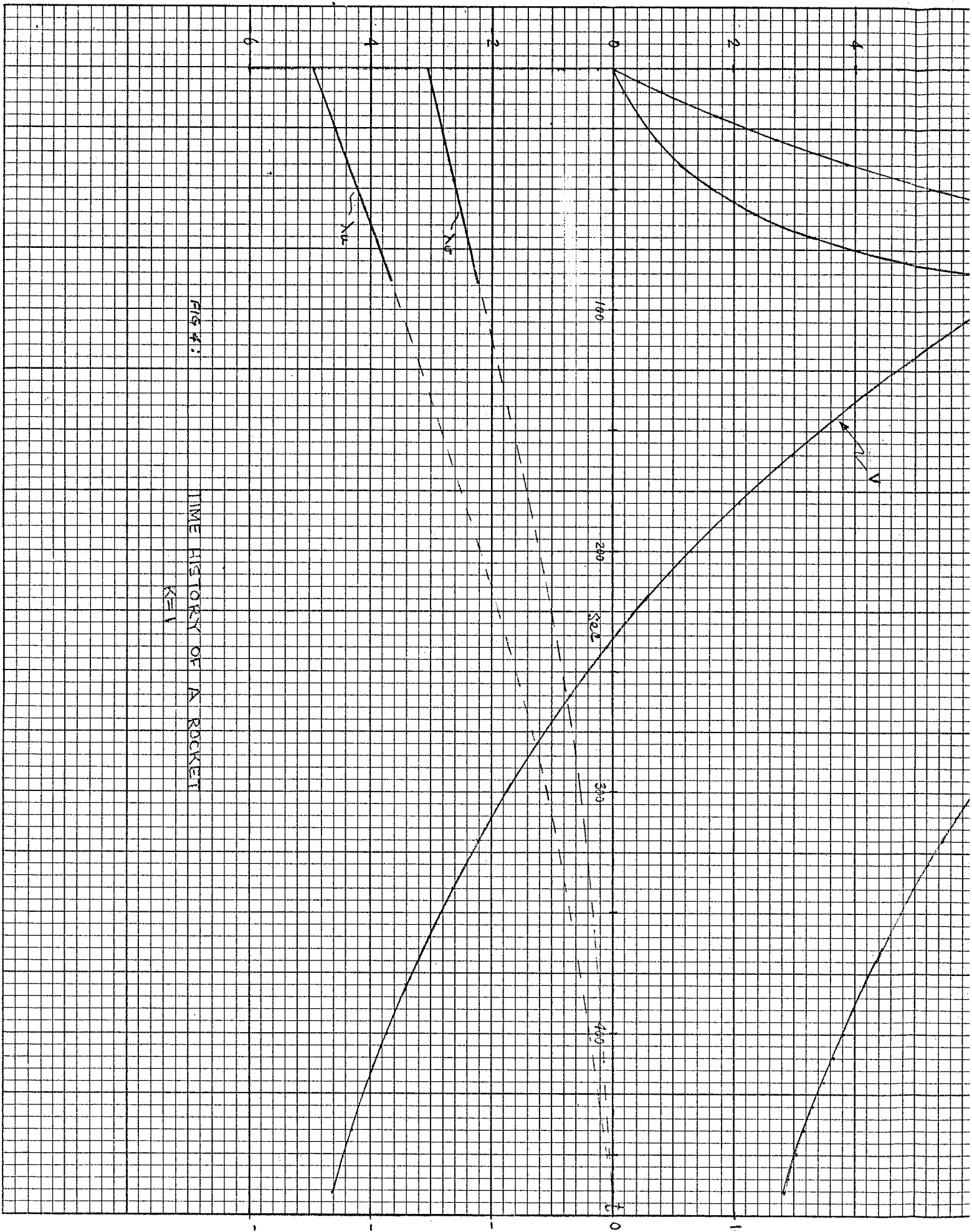
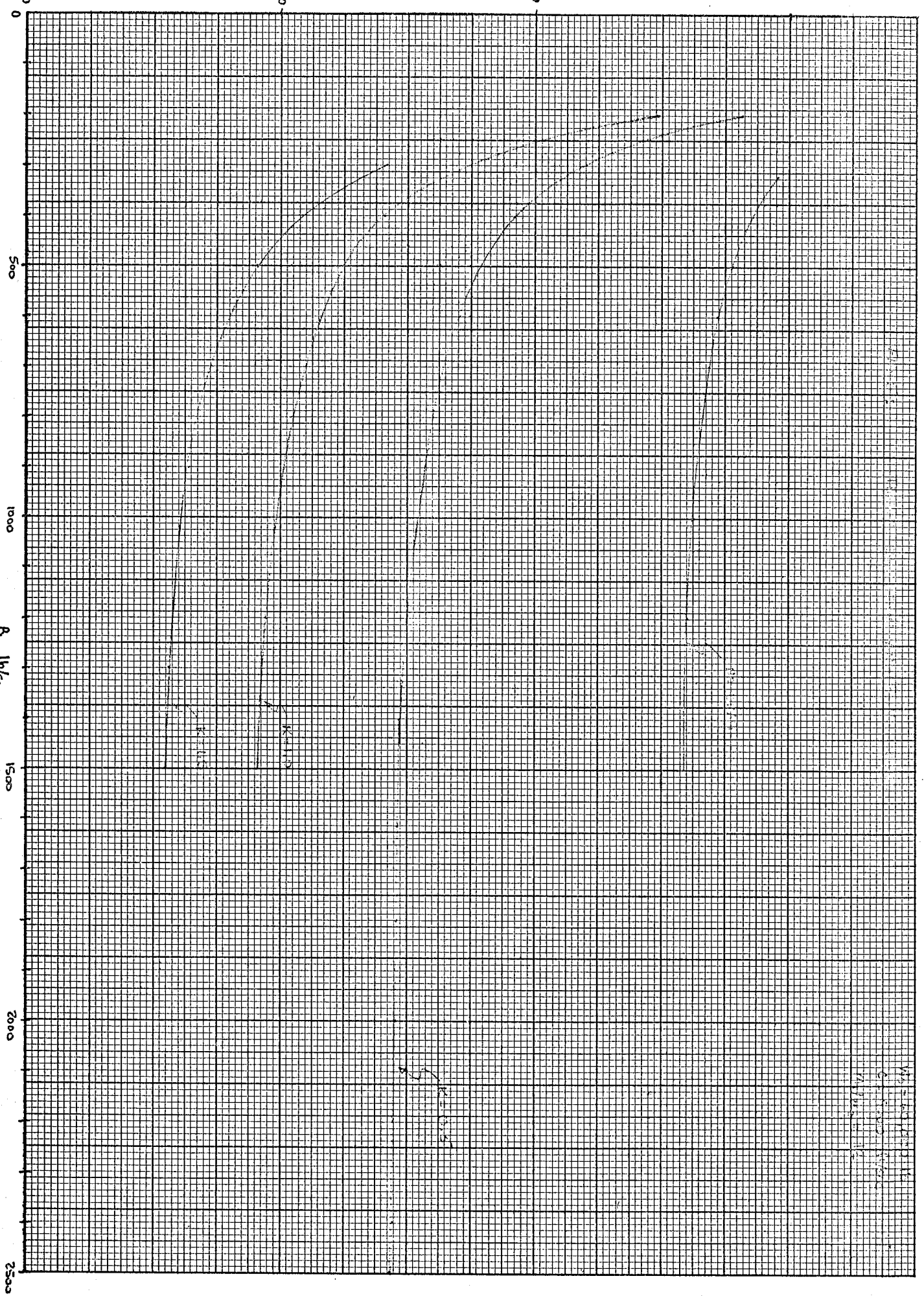
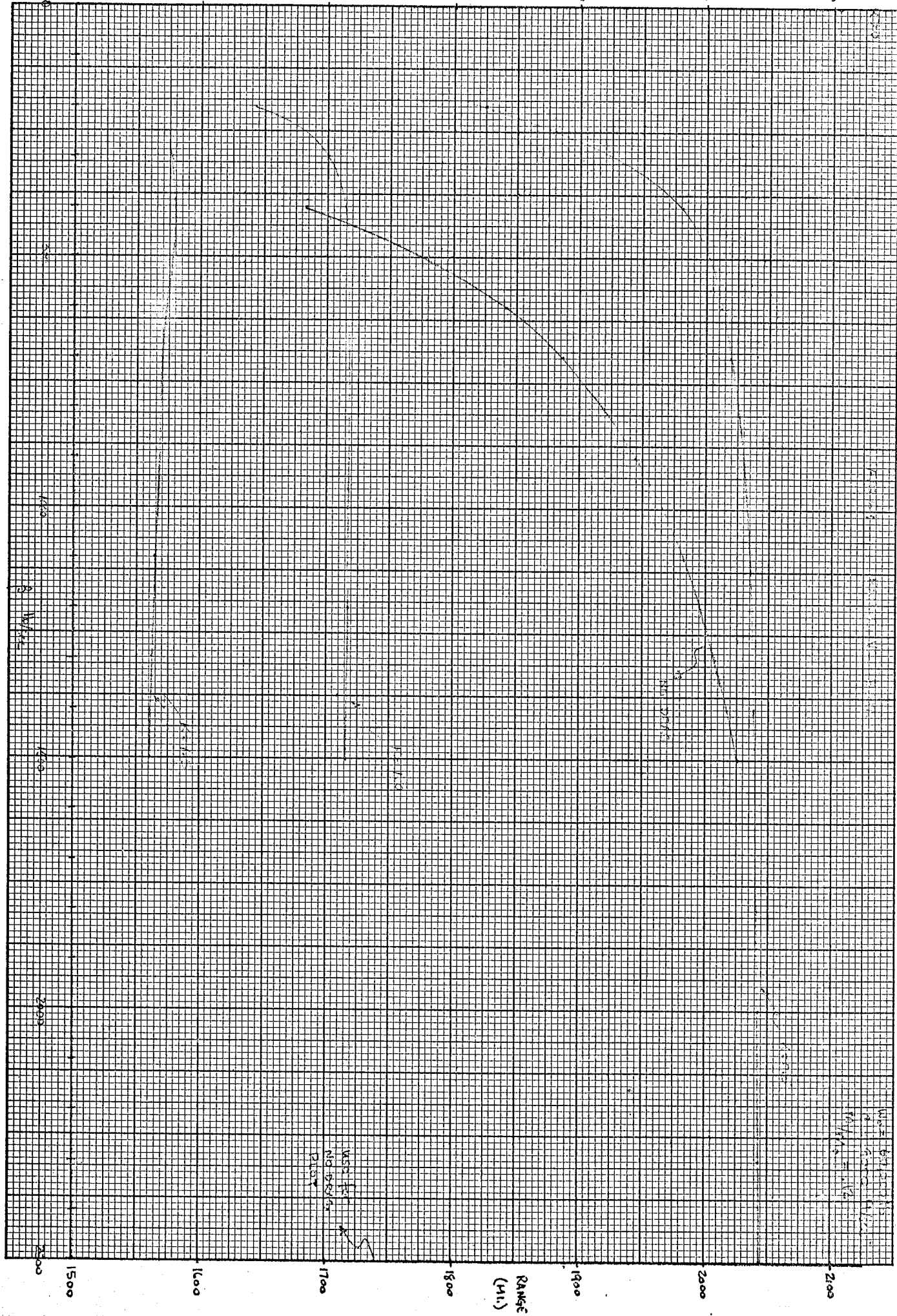


FIG 4: TIME HISTORY OF A ROCKET
 $K=V$

P lb/sec





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APPENDIX A

G - acceleration of gravity
EPSI - value for testing accuracy of results
WBETA - propellant flow rate lbs/sec
BETA - " " " slugs/sec
WZERO - initial weight lbs
MZERO - " mass slugs
COEFF - 1.0 - final weight / initial weight
CAPT - powered flight time
THETA - angle between thrust vector & horizon
Program uses Newton-Raphson method on statement 22
VLAM1 = λu_f
VLAM2 = λv_f
N - no. of printouts per set of data
U(I), V(I) - velocities for time = 10(I-1)
X(I), Y(I) - distances for time = 10(I-1)
MA(I) - mass of rocket for time = 10(I-1)
ULAM(I), VLAM(I) - $\lambda u, \lambda v$ for time = 10(I-1)
T - time
XLAM - λx
YLAM - λy
I - index
OMEGA - THETA IN RADIANS

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4    1    FORMAT(4F20.0)
5    G=32.200
6    EPSI=.00002
7    BETA=WBETA/G
8    MZERO=WZERO/G
9    IF(MZERO.LE.0.000) STOP
10   CAPT=COEFF*MZERO/BETA
11   MONE=MZERO-BETA*CAPT
12   B=MZERO/MONE
13   A=C*ALOG(B)
14   D=2.*G*C*CAPT
15   E=-2.*G*MZERO/BETA
16   THETA=40.00
17   OMEGA=THETA*(4.*ATAN(1.00))/180.
18   5    F1=(SIN(OMEGA))**3+((2.*A**2)/(D+E*A))*(SIN(OMEGA))**2-((A**2)
19   1/(E*A+D))
20   OMEGA=OMEGA+0.08727
21   F2=(SIN(OMEGA))**3+((2.*A**2)/(D+E*A))*(SIN(OMEGA))**2-((A**2)
22   1/(E*A+D))
23   IF(F1*F2) 10,10,5
24   10   FTHETA=(SIN(OMEGA))**3+((2.*A**2)/(D+E*A))*(SIN(OMEGA))**2-((A**2)
25   1/(E*A+D))
26   DF=(1.5*SIN(OMEGA)+(2.*A**2)/(D+E*A))*SIN(2.*OMEGA)
27   IF(ABS(DF).LE.EPSI) STOP
28   OMA=OMEGA-FTHETA/DF
29   15   IF(ABS(OMA-OMEGA)-EPSI) 20,20,15
30   OMEGA=OMA
31   GO TO 10
32   20   THETA=OMA*180./(4.*ATAN(1.00))
33   T=0.00
34   I=1
35   AA=C*ALOG(B)
36   BB=C*CAPT*(ALOG(B)+1.00)
37   CC=(C*MZERO/BETA)*ALOG(B)
38   U1=AA*COS(OMA)
39   V1=AA*SIN(OMA)-G*CAPT
40   X1=(BB-CC)*COS(OMA)
41   Y1=(BB-CC)*SIN(OMA)-G*CAPT**2/2.
42   R=SQRT(V1**2+2.*G*Y1)
43   ULAM1=-(V1+R)/G
44   VLAM1=U1/R*ULAM1
45   FLTT=CAPT+(V1+R)/G
46   N=IFIX(FLTT/10.)+2
47   30   MA(I)=MZERO-BETA*T
48   B=MZERO/MA(I)
49   AA=C*ALOG(B)
50   BB=C*T*(ALOG(B)+1.00)
51   CC=(C*MZERO/BETA)*ALOG(B)
52   U(I)=AA*COS(OMA)
53   V(I)=AA*SIN(OMA)-G*T
54   X(I)=(BB-CC)*COS(OMA)
55   Y(I)=(BB-CC)*SIN(OMA)-G*T**2/2.
56   ULAM(I)=(T-CAPT)-(V1+R)/G
57   VLAM(I)=(U1/R)*ULAM(I)
58   35   T=T+10.
59   IF(T.GE.CAPT)GO TO 40
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58      GO TO 30
59      40 M=I
60      T=T-10.
61      50 T=T+10.
62      I=I+1
63      60 V(I)=V1-G*(T-CAPT)
64      X(I)=X1+U1*(T-CAPT)
65      Y(I)=Y1+V1*(T-CAPT)-0.5*G*(T-CAPT)**2
66      IF(I.LE.(N-2)) GO TO 50
67      IF(I.EQ.N) GO TO 70.
68      T=FLTT
69      I=I+1
70      GO TO 60
71      70 XLAM=-1.000
72      YLAM=U1/R
73      WRITE(6,75) WZERO,WBETA,C,CAPT,FLTT,XLAM,YLAM,THETA
74      75 FORMAT(/,4(5X,E15.7),/,4(5X,E15.7),/)
75      M=M+1
76      DO 30 I=1,M
77      X(I)=X(I)/5280.
78      Y(I)=Y(I)/5280.
79      COMMENT NOTE THAT MA PRINTED OUT IS ACTUALLY THE WEIGHT OF THE PARTICLE
80      IF(I.EQ.M) ULAM(I)=ULAM1
81      IF(I.EQ.M) VLAM(I)=VLAM1
82      IF(I.EQ.M) MA(I)=MONE
83      IF(I.EQ.M) U(I)=U1
84      MA(I)=MA(I)*G
85      COMMENT NOTE THAT THE DISTANCES ARE IN MILES...
86      COMMENT NOTE M VALUE FOR LAMBDA'S U AND V AND THE MASS ARE VALUES AT CA
87      80 WRITE(6,85) I,ULAM(I),VLAM(I),U(I),V(I),X(I),Y(I),MA(I)
88      85 FORMAT(5X,I5,7(2X,E14.7))
89      M=M+1
90      DO 90 I=M,N
91      X(I)=X(I)/5280.
92      Y(I)=Y(I)/5280.
93      90 WRITE(6,95) I,V(I),X(I),Y(I)
94      95 FORMAT(5X,I5,48X,3(2X,E14.7))
95      GO TO 100
96      END

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APPENDIX B

K - drag proportionality const.
 C - speed of exhaust gases
 G - acceleration of gravity
 EPSI - accuracy check value
 WZERO - initial weight in lbs
 MZERO - " mass in slugs
 WBETA - mass propellant flow rate in lbs
 BETA - " " " " in slugs
 COEFF - I_s - weight at burnout / weight initial
 CAPT - powered flight time
 Program uses Newton-Raphson method on statement 35
 BALT - time in ballistic trajectory
 N - number of printouts obtained (maximum)
 T - time
 I - time increment count.
 THETA - angle of thrust vector with horizontal
 OMA - THETA in radians
 U(I), V(I) - velocities at time = $10(I-1)$
 X(I), Y(I) - distances at time = $10(I-1)$
 ULAM(I), VLAM(I) - λ_u, λ_v at time = $10(I-1)$
 MA(I) - mass at time = $10(I-1)$
 XLAM - λ_x
 YLAM - λ_y

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1      DIMENSION U(300),V(300),X(300),Y(300),MA(200),ULAM(200),VLAM(200)
2      REAL MA,K,MZERO,MONE
3      100  READ(5,1) K,C,WZERO,WBETA,COEFF
4      1    FORMAT(5F16.0)
5      J=1
6      G=32.200
7      EPSI=.00001
8      MZERO=WZERO/G
9      IF(MZERO.LE.0.000) STOP
10     BETA=WBETA/G
11     CAPT=COEFF*MZERO/BETA
12     MONE=MZERO-BETA*CAPT
13     A=(BETA*C/K)*(1.00-(MONE/MZERO)**(K/BETA))
14     B=G/(BETA-K)*(MONE-MZERO*(MONE/MZERO)**(K/BETA))
15     D=C*MZERO/K*(K/(K+BETA)+BETA/(K+BETA)*(MONE/MZERO)**(K/BETA+1.00)-
16     1MONE/MZERO)
17     E=G*MZERO**2/(BETA*(K-BETA))*(0.5*(MONE/MZERO)**2-BETA/(BETA+K)*
18     1(MONE/MZERO)**(1.0+K/BETA)-(K-BETA)/(2.*(BETA+K)))
19     T=300.00
20     5     ETA=1.00-EXP(-K*T/MONE)
21     DELTA=(MONE*G*T/K-MONE/K*(B+MONE*G/K)*ETA-E)/(D+MONE*A*ETA/K)
22     OMA=ARSIN(DELTA)
23     FT1=TAN(OMA)-A*COS(OMA)*(1.-ETA)/(MONE*G*ETA/K-(A*SIN(OMA)+B)*(1.
24     1ETA))
25     T=T+25.
26     ETA=1.00-EXP(-K*T/MONE)
27     DELTA=(MONE*G*T/K-MONE/K*(B+MONE*G/K)*ETA-E)/(D+MONE*A*ETA/K)
28     OMA=ARSIN(DELTA)
29     FT2=TAN(OMA)-A*COS(OMA)*(1.-ETA)/(MONE*G*ETA/K-(A*SIN(OMA)+B)*(1.
30     1ETA))
31     IF(FT1*FT2) 10,10,5
32     10    ETA=1.00-EXP(-K*T/MONE)
33     J=J+1
34     IF(J.GE.100) WRITE(6,12) J
35     12    FORMAT(5X,15,2X,'NOT CONVERGING RAPIDLY')
36     IF(J.GE.100) STOP
37     DELTA=(MONE*G*T/K-MONE/K*(B+MONE*G/K)*ETA-E)/(D+MONE*A*ETA/K)
38     OMA=ARSIN(DELTA)
39     FT0=TAN(OMA)-A*COS(OMA)*(1.-ETA)/(MONE*G*ETA/K-(A*SIN(OMA)+B)*(1.
40     1ETA))
41     DTHDT=((D+MONE*A*ETA/K)*(MONE*G*ETA/K-B*(1.-ETA))-(MONE*G*T/K-MON
42     1/K*(B+MONE*G/K)*ETA-E)*A*(1.-ETA))/((D+MONE*A*ETA/K)**2*COS(OMA))
43     GAMMAA=(MONE*G*ETA/K-(A*SIN(OMA)+B)*(1.-ETA))*(SIN(OMA)*DTHDT+K/
44     1MONE*COS(OMA))*A*(1.-ETA)
45     GAMMAB=(A*COS(OMA)*(1.-ETA))*(G+K/MONE*(A*SIN(OMA)+B)-A*COS(OMA)*
46     1DTHDT)*(1.-ETA)
47     SECOMA=1.00/COS(OMA)
48     DFT0=(SEC OMA)**2*DTHDT+(GAMMAA+GAMMAB)/(MONE*G*ETA/K-(A*SIN(OMA)
49     1+B)*(1.-ETA))**2
50     IF(ABS(DFT0).LE.EPSI) STOP
51     TNEW=T-FTO/DFT0
52     IF(ABS(TNEW-T)-EPSI) 20,20,15
53     15    T=TNEW
54     GO TO 10
55     20    THETA=OMA*180./(4.*ATAN(1.000))
56     BALT=T
57     FLTT=CAPT+BALT
58     N=IFIX(FLTT/10.)+2
59     T=0.00
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53      V1=A*SIN(OMA)+B
54      X1=D*COS(OMA)
55      Y1=D*SIN(OMA)+E
56      ULAM1=-MONE/K*ETA
57      VLAM1=ULAM1*U1*(1.-ETA)/(MONE*G/K*ETA-V1*(1.-ETA))
58  30    MA(I)=MZERO-BETA*T
59      A=(BETA*C/K)*(1.00-(MA(I)/MZERO)**(K/BETA))
60      B=G/(BETA-K)*(MA(I)-MZERO*(MA(I)/MZERO)**(K/BETA))
61      D=C*MZERO/K*(K/(K+BETA)+BETA/(K+BETA)*(MA(I)/MZERO)**(K/BETA+1.00
1-MA(I)/MZERO))
62      E=G*MZERO**2/(BETA*(K-BETA))*(0.5*(MA(I)/MZERO)**2-BETA/(BETA+K)*
1(MA(I)/MZERO)**(1.0+K/BETA)-(K-BETA)/(2.*(BETA+K)))
63      U(I)=A*COS(OMA)
64      V(I)=A*SIN(OMA)+B
65      X(I)=D*COS(OMA)
66      Y(I)=D*SIN(OMA)+E
67      ULAM(I)=-1./((K+BETA)*K)*((MONE*BETA-(K+BETA)*MONE*(1.-ETA))*(MON
1/MA(I))**((K/BETA)+MA(I)*K))
68      VLAM(I)=ULAM(I)*K*U1*(1.-ETA)/(MONE*G*ETA-K*V1*(1.-ETA))
69  35    T=T+10.
70      IF(T.GE.CAPT) GO TO 40
71      I=I+1
72      GO TO 30
73  40    M=I
74      T=T-10.
75  50    T=T+10.
76      I=I+1
77  60    U(I)=U1*EXP(-K*(T-CAPT)/MONE)
78      V(I)=-MONE*G/K+(V1+MONE*G/K)*EXP(-K*(T-CAPT)/MONE)
79      X(I)=X1+U1*MONE/K*(1.-EXP(-K*(T-CAPT)/MONE))
80      Y(I)=Y1-MONE*G*(T-CAPT)/K+MONE/K*(V1+MONE*G/K)*(1.-EXP(-K*(T-CAPT
1/MONE)))
81      IF(I.LE.(N-2)) GO TO 50
82      IF(I.EQ.N) GO TO 70
83      T=FLTT
84      I=I+1
85      GO TO 60
86  70    XLAM=-1.000
87      YLAM=U1*EXP(-K*BALT/MONE)/(-MONE*G/K*ETA+V1*(1.-ETA))
88      WRITE(6,75) K,WZERO,WBETA,C,CAPT,FLTT,XLAM,YLAM,THETA
89  75    FORMAT(4(5X,E15.7),/,4(5X,E15.7),/,5X,E15.7,/)
90      M=M+1
91      DO 80 I=1,M
92  C      COMMENT NOTE THE DISTANCES ARE IN MILES....
93      X(I)=X(I)/5280.
94      Y(I)=Y(I)/5280.
95      IF(I.EQ.M) ULAM(I)=ULAM1
96      IF(I.EQ.M) VLAM(I)=VLAM1
97      IF(I.EQ.M) MA(I)=MONE
98  C      COMMENT NOTE M VALUES FOR LAMBDA'S U AND V AND THE MASS ARE AT CAPT
99  C      COMMENT NOTE THAT THE MASS IS ACTUALLY THE WEIGHT OF THE ROCKET
100     MA(I)=MA(I)*G
101  80    WRITE(6,85) I,ULAM(I),VLAM(I),U(I),V(I),X(I),Y(I),MA(I)
102  85    FORMAT(5X,I5,7(2X,E14.7))
103     M=M+1
104     DO 90 I=M,N
105     X(I)=X(I)/5280.
106     Y(I)=Y(I)/5280.
107  90    WRITE(6,95) I,U(I),V(I),X(I),Y(I)
108  95    FORMAT(5X,I5,32X,4(2X,E14.7))
109     GO TO 100
110     END

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