Unified Engineering

- F14. An aircraft is flying at speed V_{∞} , in an atmosphere with p_{∞} , and ρ_{∞} .
- a) What is the flight Mach number M_{∞} ? Give in terms of the quantities above.
- b) Determine the stagnation pressure p_o at the nose of the aicraft in two ways:
 - i) The exact full compressible equation.
 - ii) The incompressible Bernoulli equation, pretending $\rho = \rho_{\infty}$ is constant.

Plot p_o/p_{∞} versus M_{∞} for the two equations. Also plot the "Bernoulli error"

 $(p_o/p_\infty)_{\text{exact}} - (p_o/p_\infty)_{\text{Bernoulli}}$

versus M_{∞} . What would you judge to be a reasonable upper Mach limit on the validity of the Bernoulli equation?