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Problem 312C

Heat is being added to the steady, frictionless flow of a perfect gas (ratio of specific heats, γ) in a pipe of constant, uniform cross-sectional area. The speed of sound and Mach number of the flow are denoted by c and M respectively and vary with position, x, measured along the pipe.

If the rate of heat addition is Q per unit time per unit length of the pipe and the mass flow rate of gas is denoted by m find an expression for dM/dx in terms of Q, m, γ , c and M.