

Fundamentals of Die Casting Design

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NOMENCLATURE

\bar{R}	Universal gas constant, see equation (2.36), page 18
ℓ	Units length., see equation (2.11), page 14
ρ	Density of the fluid, see equation (2.55), page 22
B	bulk modulus, see equation (2.62), page 22
B_f	Body force, see equation (2.19), page 15
c	Speed of sound, see equation (2.55), page 22
C_p	Specific pressure heat, see equation (2.33), page 17
C_v	Specific volume heat, see equation (2.32), page 17
E_U	Internal energy, see equation (2.13), page 15
E_u	Internal Energy per unit mass, see equation (2.16), page 15
E_i	System energy at state i, see equation (2.12), page 14
H	Enthalpy, see equation (2.28), page 17
h	Specific enthalpy, see equation (2.28), page 17
k	the ratio of the specific heats, see equation (2.34), page 18
M	Mach number, see equation (2.64), page 23
n	The poletropic coefficient, see equation (2.60), page 22
P	Pressure, see equation (2.57), page 22

q	Energy per unit mass, see equation (2.16), page 15
Q_{12}	The energy transferred to the system between state 1 and state 2, see equation (2.12), page 14
R	Specific gas constant, see equation (2.37), page 18
S	Entropy of the system, see equation (2.23), page 16
U	velocity , see equation (2.14), page 15
w	Work per unit mass, see equation (2.16), page 15
W_{12}	The work done by the system between state 1 and state 2, see equation (2.12), page 14

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