

0.1 Alternate Forms

0.1.1 Strain And Rotation

0.1.1.1 Continuity: Index Notation

The continuity and momentum equations in vector form,

$$\nabla \cdot u = 0 \quad , \quad \frac{Du}{Dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 u$$

The continuity equation in index form,

$$0 = \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_j}$$

Simplifying the momentum equation in vector form,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (u \cdot \nabla)u = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 u$$

Converting the momentum equation into index form,

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (u_i)$$

0.1.1.2 Momentum: Velocity Gradient

Renaming the dummy indices in the index momentum equation $j \rightarrow k$,

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (u_i)$$

Taking the derivative of the index momentum equation with respect to x_j ,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (p) + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (u_i)$$

Here, the fluid is assumed to be incompressible, hence ρ is a simple known fluid property. Since the partial derivative operator is commutative,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (u_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (u_i)$$

$$\text{Substituting } e_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} e_{ij} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij}$$

Simplifying the convective acceleration term by applying chain rule,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [u_k]$$

Due to the partial derivative operator being commutative,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (u_i) + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [u_k]$$

$$\text{Substituting } e_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j},$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [u_k]$$

Based on the definition of e_{ij} ,

$$e_{ik} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \quad , \quad e_{kj} = \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_j}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[u_k \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_k} \right] = u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij} + e_{ik} e_{kj}$$

Substituting the convective acceleration into the momentum equation,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} e_{ij} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij} + e_{ik} e_{kj} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij}$$

Manipulating the equation further,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} e_{ij} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) - e_{ik} e_{kj} + \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} e_{ij}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (e_{ij}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ij}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ij}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) - e_{ik} e_{kj}$$

0.1.1.3 Strain Rate Form

Reiterating the momentum equation in index form,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (e_{ij}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ij}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ij}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i} (p) - e_{ik} e_{kj}$$

Renaming the indices, $i \rightarrow j$, and $j \rightarrow i$,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (e_{ji}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ji}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} (e_{ji}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} (p) - e_{jk} e_{ki}$$

Adding the 2 equations above together and taking into account that

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j}(p) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p),$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) = -\frac{2}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - e_{ik}e_{kj} - e_{jk}e_{ki}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) = -\frac{2}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - (e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki})$$

Multiplying both sides by half,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) \right] + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) \right] - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} + e_{ji}) \right] = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - \frac{1}{2}(e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki})$$

The symmetric strain rate tensor is defined as, $S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$. Expressing

the symmetric strain rate tensor in terms of e_{ij} and e_{ji} , $S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} + e_{ji})$

Substituting for the symmetric strain rate tensor into the momentum equation,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} [S_{ij}] + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} [S_{ij}] - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} [S_{ij}] = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - \frac{1}{2}(e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki})$$

Simplifying further,

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right\} S_{ij} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - \frac{1}{2}(e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki})$$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$ represents the substantive derivative in index notation meanwhile

$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$ represents the laplacian in index notation.

0.1.1.4 Rotation Rate Form

Performing the same steps as the previous part but instead of adding 2 equations together, the equations are subtracted off each other,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) - e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki}$$

Since the partial differential operators are commutative,

$$-\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j \partial x_i}(p) = 0. \text{ Substituting,}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) = -e_{ik}e_{kj} + e_{jk}e_{ki}$$

Multiplying both sides by half,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) \right] + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) \right] - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left[\frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} - e_{ji}) \right] = -\frac{1}{2} [e_{ik}e_{kj} - e_{jk}e_{ki}]$$

The rotation rate tensor is defined as $\Omega_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i})$. Substituting for $e_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}$ and $e_{ji} = \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i}$, $\Omega_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(e_{ij} - e_{ji})$ Substituting the rotation rate tensor,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} [\Omega_{ij}] + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} [\Omega_{ij}] - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} [\Omega_{ij}] = -\frac{1}{2} [e_{ik}e_{kj} - e_{jk}e_{ki}]$$

$$\left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} - \nu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \right\} \Omega_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} [e_{ik}e_{kj} - e_{jk}e_{ki}]$$

Just as before, $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$ represents the substantive derivative in index notation meanwhile $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k}$ represents the laplacian in index notation.

Interestingly, here the expression is independent of the pressure gradient tensor since the pressure gradient tensor is symmetric.