

Chapter 2 : Fluid Flow Phenomena

Important terms ⇒

- ★ **Potential Flow** : The flow of ideal fluid (incompressible and zero viscosity) is called potential flow.
 - Neither circulation nor eddies form (irrotational)
 - Friction can't develop (no dissipation of mechanical energy to heat)

- ★ **Laminar flow** : At low velocities fluids tend to flow without lateral mixing and adjacent layers slide past one another like playing cards.

- ★ **Bingham plastic** : Above a particular threshold, the flow is linear.

- ★ **Pseudo-plastic** : Graph between shear stress and shear rate is concave downwards at low shear and becomes nearly linear at high shears (shear rate thinning)

- ★ **Dilatant** : Graph between shear stress and shear rate is concave upwards at low shear and becomes nearly linear at high shears (shear rate thickening)

- ★ **Thixotropic** : Liquid breaks down under continuous shear and on mixing give lower shear stress for a given shear rate(i.e.; viscosity decreases with time)

- ★ Rheopectic : Liquid breaks down under continuous shear and on mixing give higher shear stress for a given shear rate.
- ★ Viscosity : In newtonian fluid, the proportionality constant between shear stress and shear rate is called viscosity.
- ★ Turbulence types : 1) Wall turbulence
2) Free turbulence
- ★ Boundary layer : It is defined as that part of a moving fluid in which the fluid motion is influenced by the presence of a solid boundary. Velocity at boundary layer is 99% of the bulk fluid velocity.
- ★ Fully Developed flow : Flow with an unchanging velocity distribution.
- ★ Transition Length : Length of entrance region of tube necessary for boundary layer to reach centre of the tube and for fully developed flow to be established.

Important Formulas ⇒

- 1) Newton's Viscosity Law :

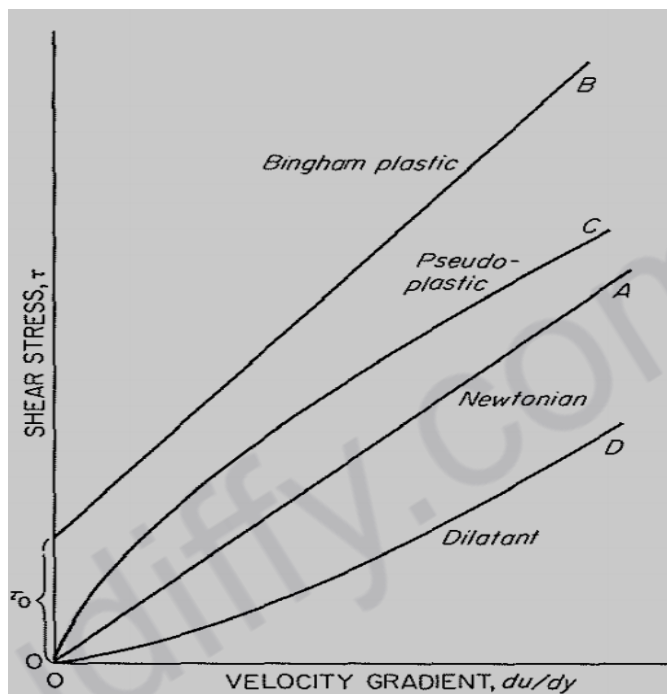
$$\tau_v = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$$

- 2) Viscosity of gas vs temperature :

$$\frac{\mu}{\mu_0} = \left(\frac{T}{273} \right)^n$$

μ = viscosity at absolute temperature T , K
 μ_0 = viscosity at 0°C (273 K)
 n = constant

3) Newtonian and Non-newtonian fluids :



4) Ostwald-de Waele equation (power law) :

$$\tau_v g_c = K' \left(\frac{du}{dy} \right)^{n'}$$

where, K' and n' are constants called the *flow consistency index* and the *flow behavior index*, respectively.

5) Reynolds number :

$$N_{Re} = \frac{D\bar{V}\rho}{\mu} = \frac{D\bar{V}}{\nu}$$

6) Eddy viscosity :

$$\tau_{tg_c} = E_v \frac{du}{dy}$$

7) Total shear stress in turbulent flow :

$$\tau_{g_c} = (\mu + E_v) \frac{du}{dy}$$

8) Transition from laminar to turbulent flow :

$$N_{Re,x} = \frac{xu_{\infty}\rho}{\mu}$$

where x = distance from leading edge of plate

u_{∞} = bulk fluid velocity

ρ = density of fluid

μ = viscosity of fluid

9) Transition length for laminar flow :

$$\frac{x_t}{D} = 0.05N_{Re}$$