

### Group#2 (Pipe Poiseuille Flow)

Consider a steady fully developed fluid flow in a pipe for a Newtonian fluid with pressure difference  $\Delta p = 10, 10^3, 10^5, 10^7$  Pa, viscosity  $\mu = 0.492$  Pa s, pipe length  $L = 4.88$  m, and radius  $R = 0.0025$  m.

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \mu r \frac{du}{dr} \right) = - \frac{\Delta p}{L}$$

Boundary conditions:  $\frac{du}{dr}(r = 0) = 0, u(r=R) = 0$ .

1. Derive the velocity profile and calculate the average velocity.
2. Compare analytical solutions with numerical solutions obtained using COMSOL/MATLAB. Plot the shear rate as a function of radial position. Plot the shear stress as a function of radial position.
3. When the fluid is non-Newtonian, it may not be possible to solve the problem analytically but can be solve numerically, for example, for the Bird–Carreau fluid (Bird et al., 1987, p. 171) the viscosity is

$$\mu = \frac{\mu_0}{\left[ 1 + \left( \lambda \frac{dv}{dr} \right)^2 \right]^{(1-n)/2}}$$

The viscosity depends on shear rate  $dv/dr$ . If  $\mu_0 = 0.492$ ,  $\lambda = 0.1$  and  $n = 0.8$ , obtain velocity profile.

4. Plot the velocity, shear rate and shear stress as a function of radial position. How do these curves change as the pressure drop is increased?