

Integration of Euler's equations of motion. Bernoulli's equation. Pressure equation.

[I.A.S. 2005; Kanpur 2002, 04, 05, 09; Meerut 2000, 02, 08]

When a velocity potential exists (so that the motion is irrotational) and the external forces are derivable from a potential function, the equations of motion can always be integrated. Let ϕ be the velocity potential and V be the force potential. Then, by definition, we get

$$u = -\partial\phi/\partial x, \quad v = -\partial\phi/\partial y, \quad w = -\partial\phi/\partial z, \quad \dots(1)$$

$$X = -\partial V/\partial x, \quad Y = -\partial V/\partial y, \quad Z = -\partial V/\partial z, \quad \dots(2)$$

and $\partial u/\partial y = \partial v/\partial x, \quad \partial v/\partial z = \partial w/\partial y, \quad \partial w/\partial x = \partial u/\partial z. \quad \dots(3)$

Then well known Euler's dynamical equation are

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = X - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = Y - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = Z - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$$

Using (1) (2) and (3), these can be re-written as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t \partial x} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} &= -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \\ -\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t \partial y} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \\ -\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t \partial z} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} &= -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \end{aligned} \right\} \dots(4)$$

Re-writing equations (4), we get

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \frac{1}{\rho}\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \quad \dots(5)$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial y} - \frac{1}{\rho}\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \quad \dots(6)$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} - \frac{1}{\rho}\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \quad \dots(7)$$

Now
$$d\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right)dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right)dy + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right)dz \quad \dots(8)$$

$$dV = (\partial V / \partial x)dx + (\partial V / \partial y)dy + (\partial V / \partial z)dz \quad \dots(9)$$

$$dp = (\partial p / \partial x)dx + (\partial p / \partial y)dy + (\partial p / \partial z)dz \quad \dots(10)$$

$$d(u^2 + v^2 + w^2) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2)dx + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2)dy + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(u^2 + v^2 + w^2)dz \quad \dots(11)$$

Multiplying (5), (6) and (7) by dx , dy and dz respectively, then adding and using (8), (9), (10) and (11), we have

$$-d\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}d(u^2 + v^2 + w^2) = -dV - \frac{1}{\rho}dp$$

or
$$-d\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t}\right) + \frac{1}{2}dq^2 + dV + \frac{1}{\rho}dp = 0 \quad \dots(12)$$

where
$$q^2 = u^2 + v^2 + w^2 = (\text{velocity of fluid particle})^2$$

If ρ is a function of p , integration of (12) gives

$$-\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 + V + \int \frac{dp}{\rho} = F(t), \quad \dots(13)$$

where $F(t)$ is an arbitrary function of t arising from integration in which t is regarded as constant. (13) is *Bernoulli's equation* in its most general form. Equation (13) is also known as *pressure equation*.

Special Case I. Let the fluid be homogeneous and inelastic (so that $\rho = \text{constant}$ i.e., fluid is incompressible). Then Bernoulli's equation for unsteady and irrotational motion is given by

$$-\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2}q^2 + V + \frac{p}{\rho} = F(t) \quad \dots(14)$$

Special Case II. If the motion be steady $\partial\phi/\partial t = 0$, the Bernoulli's equation for steady irrotational motion of an incompressible fluid is given by

$$q^2/2 + V + p/\rho = C, \text{ where } C \text{ is an absolute constant.} \quad \textbf{(Kanpur 2010)} \quad \dots(15)$$

4.2. Bernoulli's theorem. (Steady motion with no velocity potential and conservative field of force).

[Agra 2009; Meerut 2009, 2010; Kanpur 2004; Purvanchel 2005; G.N.D.U. Amritsar 2002, 05]

When the motion is steady and the velocity potential does not exist, we have

$$\frac{1}{2}q^2 + V + \int \frac{dp}{\rho} = C,$$

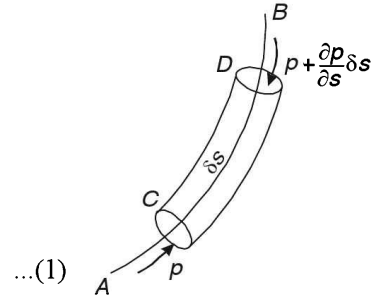
where V is the force potential from which the external forces are derivable. [Meerut 2011]

Proof. Consider a streamline AB in the fluid. Let δs be an element of this stream line and CD be a small cylinder of cross-sectional area α and δs as axis. If q be the velocity and S be the component of external force per unit mass in direction of the streamline, then by Newton's second law of motion, we have

$$\rho \alpha \delta s \cdot \frac{Dq}{Dt} = \rho \alpha \delta s \cdot S + p \alpha - \left(p + \frac{\partial p}{\partial s} \delta s \right) \alpha$$

or
$$\frac{Dq}{Dt} = S - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial s}$$

or
$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} + q \frac{\partial q}{\partial s} = S - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial s}$$



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If the motion be steady $\partial q / \partial t = 0$, and if the external forces have a potential function V such that $S = -\partial V / \partial s$, (1) reduces to

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial q^2}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial s} = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

If ρ is a function of p , integration of (2) along the streamline AB yields

$$\frac{1}{2} q^2 + V + \int \frac{dp}{\rho} = C, \quad \dots(3)$$

where C is constant whose value depends on the particular chosen streamline.

Special Case I. If the fluid be homogeneous and incompressible, $\rho = \text{constant}$ and hence (3) reduces to

$$q^2 / 2 + V + p / \rho = C. \quad \text{(Kanpur 2008)} \quad \dots(4)$$

Special Case II. Let S be a gravitational force per unit mass. Let δh be the vertical distance between C and D . Then we have

$$S = -g \frac{\partial h}{\partial s} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial s}(gh), \quad \text{as} \quad V = gh$$

Hence, if the fluid be incompressible, (3) reduces to

$$q^2 / 2 + gh + p / \rho = C. \quad \dots(5)$$

4.3. Illustrative solved examples.

Ex. 1. A stream is rushing from a boiler through a conical pipe, the diameter of the ends of which are D and d ; if V and v be the corresponding velocities of the stream and if the motion be supposed to be that of the divergence from the vertex of the cone, prove that

$$v / V = (D^2 / d^2) e^{(v^2 - V^2) / 2k} \quad \text{[I.A.S. 1993, 98]}$$

where k is the pressure divided by the density and supposed constant.

Sol. Let AB and $A'B'$ be the ends of the conical pipe such that $A'B' = d$ and $AB = D$. Let ρ_1 and ρ_2 be densities of the stream at $A'B'$ and AB . By principle of conservation of mass, the mass of the stream that enters the end AB and leaves at the end $A'B'$ must be the same. Hence the equation of continuity is

$$\pi (d/2)^2 v \rho_1 = \pi (D/2)^2 V \rho_2$$

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so that
$$\frac{v}{V} = \frac{D^2}{d^2} \times \frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1} \quad \dots(1)$$

By Bernoulli's theorem (in absence of external forces like gravity), we have

$$\int \frac{dp}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 = C \quad \dots(2)$$

Given that $p/\rho = k$ so that $dp = k d\rho$. $\dots(3)$

\therefore (2) reduces to $k \int \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} q^2 = C$, using (3)

Integrating, $k \log \rho + q^2/2 = C$, C being an arbitrary constant $\dots(4)$

When $q = v$, $\rho = \rho_1$ and when $q = V$, $\rho = \rho_2$. Hence, (4) yields

$$k \log \rho_1 + v^2/2 = C \quad \text{and} \quad k \log \rho_2 + V^2/2 = C$$

Subtracting, $k(\log \rho_2 - \log \rho_1) + (V^2 - v^2)/2 = 0$

or $\log (\rho_2 / \rho_1) = (v^2 - V^2)/2k$ or $\rho_2 / \rho_1 = e^{(v^2 - V^2)/2k}$. $\dots(5)$

Using (5), (1) reduces to $v/V = (D^2/d^2) \times e^{(v^2 - V^2)/2k}$

