

Tutorial Sheet: Fluid Mechanics-I

1. For a two-dimensional flow the velocities at a point in a fluid may be expressed in the Eulerian coordinates by $u = x + y + 2t$ and $v = 2y + t$. Determine the Lagrange coordinates as the functions of the initial positions x_0 and y_0 and the time t .
2. If the velocity distribution is $\mathbf{q} = Ax^2y\hat{i} + By^2zt\hat{j} + Czt^2\hat{k}$, where A, B, C are constants, then find the acceleration and velocity components.
3. The particles of a fluid move symmetrically in space with regard to a fixed centre; prove that the equation of continuity is $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial r} + \frac{\rho}{r^2} \frac{\partial(r^2 u)}{\partial r} = 0$, where u is the velocity at distance r .
4. A mass of fluid moves in such a way that each particle describes a circle on one plane about a fixed axis; show that the equation of continuity is $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho \omega}{\partial \theta} = 0$, where ω is the angular velocity of a particle whose azimuthal angle is θ at time t .
5. A mass of fluid is in motion so that the lines of motion lie on the surface of co-axial cylinders. Show that the equation of continuity is $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial z} = 0$, where u, v are the velocity perpendicular and parallel to z .
6. Consider a two-dimensional incompressible steady flow field with velocity components in spherical coordinates (r, θ, ϕ) given by $v_r = c_1 \left(1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{r_0}{r} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_0^3}{r^3}\right) \cos \theta$, $v_\phi = 0$, $v_\theta = -c_1 \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} \frac{r_0}{r} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{r_0^3}{r^3}\right) \sin \theta$, $r \geq r_0 > 0$ where c_1 and r_0 are arbitrary constants. Is the equation of continuity satisfied?
7. Liquid flows through the pipe whose surface is the surface of revolution of the curve $y = a + \frac{kx^2}{a}$ about the x axis ($-a \leq x \leq a$). If the liquid enters at the end $x = -a$ of the pipe with velocity V , show that the time taken by a liquid particle to traverse the entire length of the pipe from $x = -a$ to $x = a$ is $\left\{ \frac{2a}{V(1+k^2)} \right\} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2k}{3} + \frac{k^2}{5} \right\}$. Assume that k is so small that the fluid remains one dimensional throughout.
8. Show that the surface $\frac{x^2}{a^2 k^2 t^4} + kt^2 \left(\frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} \right) = 1$ is a possible form of boundary surface of a liquid at time t .

9. Determine the restrictions on f_1, f_2, f_3 if $\left(\frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)f_1(t) + \left(\frac{y^2}{b^2}\right)f_2(t) + \left(\frac{z^2}{c^2}\right)f_3(t) = 1$ is a possible boundary surface of a liquid.
10. Show that $\left(\frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)\tan^2 t + \left(\frac{y^2}{b^2}\right)\cot^2 t = 1$ is a possible form for the bounding surface of a liquid, and find an expression for the normal velocity.
11. Find the equation of the streamlines for the flow $\mathbf{q} = -(3y^2)\hat{i} - 6x\hat{j}$ at the point (1,1).
12. Determine the streamlines and path lines of the particle when the components of velocity field are given by $u = \frac{x}{1+t}$, $v = \frac{y}{2+t}$ and $w = \frac{z}{3+t}$. Also state the condition for which the streamlines are identical with path lines.
13. If the velocity of an incompressible fluid at the point (x, y, z) is given by $\left(\frac{3xz}{r^5}, \frac{3yz}{r^5}, \frac{3z^2 - r^2}{r^5}\right)$, prove that the liquid motion is possible and that the velocity potential is $\frac{\cos \theta}{r^2}$. Also determine the streamlines.
14. Show that if the velocity potential of an irrotational fluid motion is equal to $A(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-\frac{3}{2}} z \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$, the lines of flow will be on the series of the surfaces $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = c^{\frac{2}{3}}(x^2 + y^2)^{\frac{2}{3}}$.

If the fluid be in motion with a velocity potential $\phi = z \log r$, and if the density at a point fixed in space be independent of the time, show that the surfaces of equal density are of the forms $r^2 \left\{ \log r - \frac{1}{2} \right\} - z^2 = f(\theta, \rho)$, where ρ is the density at (z, r, θ) .