

Lecture 21

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1 Conservation Laws

1.1 Nomenclature

\vec{v} is the velocity vector, and $v = ||\vec{v}||$ is the fluid speed.

1.2 Definitions

Definition 1.1. *Volume Flow Rate* is the volume of fluid passing through a given surface per unit time. Its units are length cubed over time. Mathematically, it is

$$\iint_A v_n dA$$

where v_n is the velocity component normal to the surface.

Definition 1.2. *Mass Flow Rate* is defined similarly, represented mathematically as

$$\iint_A \rho v_n dA$$

1.3 Conservation of Mass along a Streamtube

Under steady and compressible conditions, mass should be constant, so

$$\dot{m}_1 = \dot{m}_2 \Rightarrow \rho_1 v_1 A_1 = \rho_2 v_2 A_2$$

Under steady and incompressible conditions, density is constant, which simplifies the above relation to

$$v_1 A_1 = v_2 A_2$$

1.4 Conservation of Energy

Imagine peeing/pooping. Kinetic energy is the difference between pressure energy and potential energy.

1.5 Bernoulli Equation

The *Bernoulli Equation*, is valid in steady and incompressible flow with negligible frictional losses. Its derivation is as follows.

Consider a streamline. We use streamline coordinates with \hat{s} in the direction of the streamline and \hat{n} perpendicular to it.

$$\sum F_s = ma_s$$

Now, forces come from pressure and self weight, i.e.

$$\sum F_s = W_s + \sum F_{p,s} = -\rho g dA ds \sin \theta + p dA - (p + dp) dA = -\rho g dA dz - dp dA$$

Using the chain rule,

$$a_s = \frac{dv_s}{ds} \frac{ds}{dt} = v_s \frac{dv_s}{ds}$$

Mass is given by

$$m = \rho dA ds$$

Equating both sides,

$$\begin{aligned} -\rho g dA dz - dp dA &= \rho dA ds v_s \frac{dv_s}{ds} \\ -g dz - \frac{1}{\rho} dp &= ds v_s \frac{dv_s}{ds} \\ v_s dv_s + g dz + \frac{1}{\rho} dp &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

This gives the *Euler's Equation*. If incompressible flow is assumed, both sides can be integrated to give

$$\frac{v_s^2}{2} + gz + \frac{p}{\rho} = C$$

where C is an arbitrary constant. This is the *Bernoulli Equation*. Note that it has units of energy per mass. The constant is the same at any point along the same streamline, meaning

$$\frac{v_1}{2} + gz_1 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} = \frac{v_2}{2} + gz_2 + \frac{p_2}{\rho}$$

In fact, for a stationary fluid,

$$gdz + \frac{1}{\rho}dp = 0$$

If the fluid is incompressible,

$$gz + \frac{p}{\rho} = C$$

or

$$p_1 - p_2 = \rho g(z_2 - z_1)$$

1.6 Different Pressures

Based on the Bernoulli Equation, multiply by ρ , we have

$$p + \frac{\rho v^2}{2} + \rho gz = P_T$$

where the terms are called static pressure, dynamic pressure, hydrostatic pressure and total pressure respectively.

The static pressure can be measured with a piezometer tube, and the dynamic pressure can be found using a pitot tube (Fig 1). The pitot tube measures the stagnation pressure, which is defined as the sum of the static and dynamic pressures.

1.7 Limitation on the Use of the Bernoulli Equation

- Steady Flow
- Incompressible Flow
- Frictionless Flow
- Flow along a Streamline

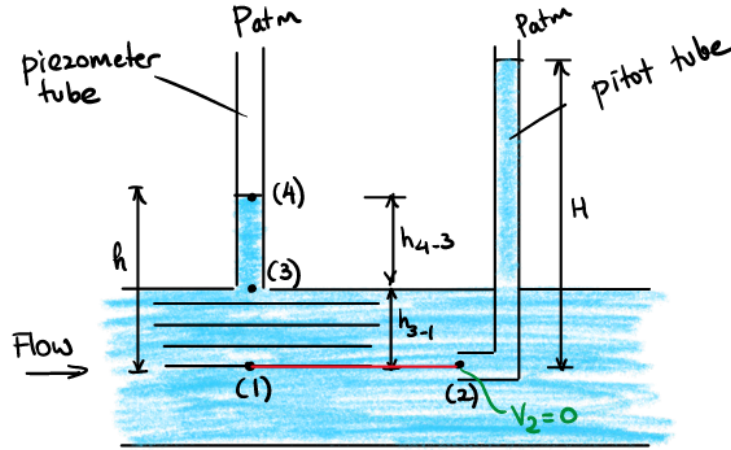


Figure 1: Illustration of Different Pressures

- No shaft work between points 1 and 2
- No heat transfer between points 1 and 2

Example 1.1. A large tank open to the atmosphere is filled with water to a height of 5m from the outlet tap. A tap near the bottom of the tank is now opened, and water flows out from the smooth and rounded outlet. Determine the water velocity at the outlet.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{p_1}{\rho} + \frac{v_1^2}{2} + gz_1 &= \frac{p_2}{\rho} + \frac{v_2^2}{2} + gz_2 \\ 5g &= \frac{v_2^2}{2} \\ v_2 &= \sqrt{10g} \\ &= 10\end{aligned}$$

2 Flowrate Measurement

A common way to measure the flowrate through a pipe is to place some type of restriction within the pipe and to measure the pressure difference between

the sections before and after the restriction. As height is approximately constant, the equation simplifies to

$$p_1 + \frac{\rho v_1^2}{2} = p_2 + \frac{\rho v_2^2}{2}$$

Combining this with

$$v_1 A_1 = v_2 A_2$$

we have

$$v_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2(p_1 - p_2)}{\rho \left(1 - \left(\frac{A_2}{A_1}\right)^2\right)}}$$

3 Momentum

3.1 Control Volume Approach vs System Approach

The Control Volume Approach (Eulerian) observes the particles travelling through a fixed volume. The System Approach (Lagrangian) defines a moving system of the same particles.

4 Reynolds Transport Theorem

$$B = mb$$

where B is a parameter proportional with the mass of the fluid, and b is the parameter per unit mass.

Example 4.1. Time rate of change for a system and a control volume.

$$\frac{dB_{\text{sys}}}{dt} = \frac{dm_{\text{sys}}}{dt} = 0$$

but

$$\frac{dB_{\text{cv}}}{dt} = \frac{dm_{\text{cv}}}{dt} < 0$$

They are different!