

Turbulence

HW3

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1 EXERCISE1

When the gravity is considered, the N-S equation is written as

$$\rho \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + \rho u_k \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} + \rho g_j \quad (1.1)$$

Decompose the density into mean and fluctuation as $\rho = \rho_0 + \tilde{\rho}$, and substitute into the equation above yields

$$\rho_0 \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + \tilde{\rho} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + \rho_0 u_k \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} + \tilde{\rho} \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \mu \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} + \rho_0 g_j + \tilde{\rho} g_j \quad (1.2)$$

The 2nd and 4th term in the LHS of (1.2) can be neglected as $\tilde{\rho} \ll \rho_0$. Assuming $\frac{\mu}{\rho_0} \cong \frac{\mu}{\rho} = \nu$ yields

$$\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} + g_j + g_j \frac{\tilde{\rho}}{\rho_0} \quad (1.3)$$

When the EOS for ideal gas ($p = \rho R T$) is adopted, ρT can be assumed to be constant when the change of p is negligible and velocity is small. Hence

$$(\rho_0 + \tilde{\rho})(\bar{T} + \tilde{T}) = \rho_0 \bar{T} \quad (1.4)$$

Thus

$$\frac{\tilde{\rho}}{\rho_0} + \frac{\tilde{T}}{\bar{T}} = 0 \quad (1.5)$$

This is achieved by neglecting the 2nd-order small quantities.

Substitute into (1.3) yields

$$\frac{\partial u_j}{\partial t} + u_k \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} + g_j - g_j \frac{\tilde{T}}{\bar{T}} \quad (1.6)$$

Decompose the velocity and pressure into mean and fluctuation as

$$\begin{aligned} u_j &= U_j + u'_j \\ p &= P + p' \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

Substitute into (1.6)

$$\frac{\partial(U_j + u'_j)}{\partial t} + (U_k + u'_k) \frac{\partial(U_j + u'_j)}{\partial x_k} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial(P + p')}{\partial x_j} + \nu \frac{\partial^2(U_j + u'_j)}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} + g_j - g_j \frac{\tilde{T}}{\bar{T}} \quad (1.8)$$

Multiply u'_j and take ensemble average yields

$$LHS \triangleq \overline{u'_j \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial t}} + \overline{U_k u'_j \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k}} + \overline{u'_j u'_k \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k}} + \overline{u'_j u'_k \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k}} = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \overline{u'_j \frac{\partial p'}{\partial x_j}} + \nu \overline{u'_j \frac{\partial^2 u'_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k}} + \frac{g_j}{\bar{T}} \overline{u'_j \tilde{T}} \triangleq RHS \quad (1.9)$$

Denote $k_T = \frac{1}{2} \overline{u'_j u'_j}$ and follow from the continuity equation

$$LHS = \frac{\bar{D}k_T}{\bar{D}t} + \overline{u'_j u'_k \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k}} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \overline{u'_k u'_j u'_j} \quad (1.10)$$

Since

$$\overline{u'_j \frac{\partial^2 u'_j}{\partial x_k \partial x_k}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left(\overline{u'_j \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k}} \right) - \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} = \frac{\partial^2 k_T}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} - \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \quad (1.11)$$

then, also follows from the continuity equation

$$RHS = -\frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial \overline{u'_j p'}}{\partial x_j} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 k_T}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} - \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \right) + \frac{g_j}{\bar{T}} \overline{u'_j \tilde{T}} \quad (1.12)$$

Combining (1.10) and (1.12) yields the turbulent kinetic energy equation for the buoyancy case

$$\frac{\bar{D}k_T}{\bar{D}t} = -\overline{u'_j u'_k \frac{\partial U_j}{\partial x_k}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \overline{u'_k u'_j u'_j} - \frac{1}{\rho_0} \frac{\partial \overline{u'_j p'}}{\partial x_j} + \nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 k_T}{\partial x_k \partial x_k} - \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \frac{\partial u'_j}{\partial x_k} \right) + \frac{g_j}{\bar{T}} \overline{u'_j \tilde{T}} \quad (1.13)$$

2 EXERCISE 2