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## Application of Shell Momentum Balance Thin Film of Falling Fluid

Consider a thin film of falling fluid with thickness  $\delta$  as shown on a reservoir. We will ignore the initial disturbance and are interested in velocity profile of fluid in the section with steady flow profile. Use shell momentum balance to :

- Find the Velocity Profile
- Find the maximum Velocity
- Find the average velocity
- Calculate Mass flow rate
- Force exerted by fluid on solid surface

$\delta \rightarrow$  Thickness of fluid.

Direction of fluid  $\rightarrow v_z$

$v_z =$  function of  $x$ -direction  
or varies as depth of  
liquid.

$v_x = 0$  ;  $v_y = 0$   
(No flow in  $x$  direction or  
 $y$  direction).

width of the plate  $\rightarrow w$   
length of section for  $\rightarrow L$   
Steady flow

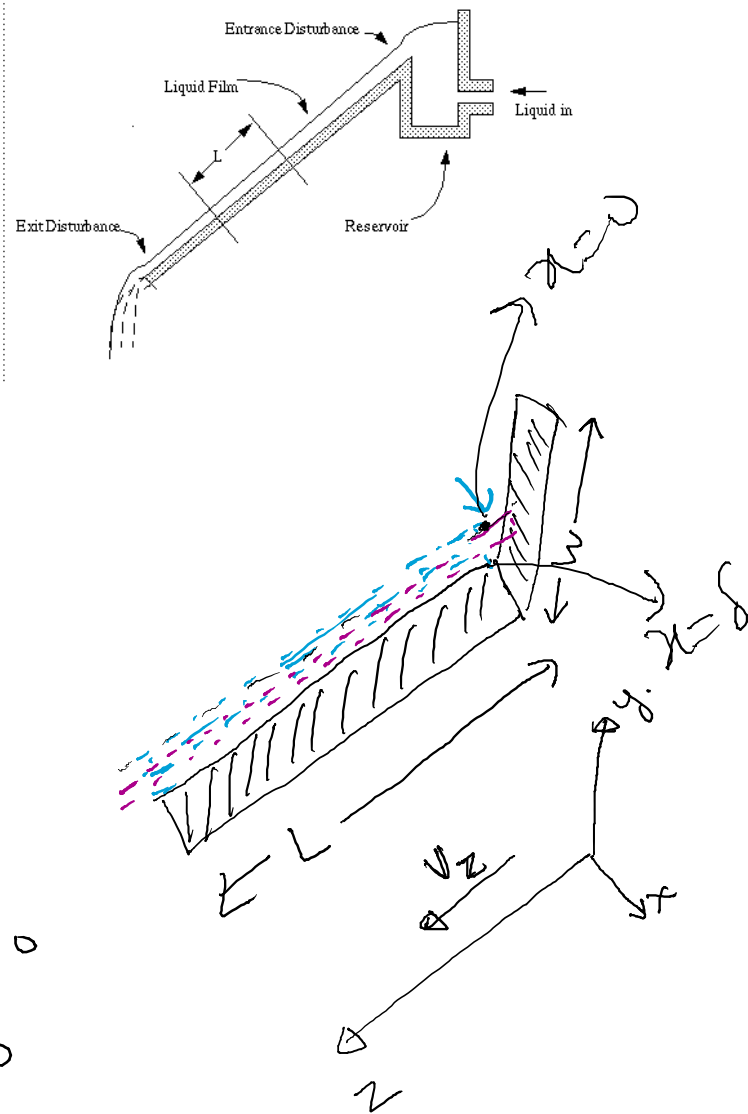
$$v_z \neq f(z) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$v_z \neq f(y) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} = 0$$

(Make assumptions  
based on geometry and physical situation).

Here, Width of the plate  $\gg \delta$  (thickness of fluid).

Fig. 2.2-1



Choose a shell  $\perp$ ar to  
x direction

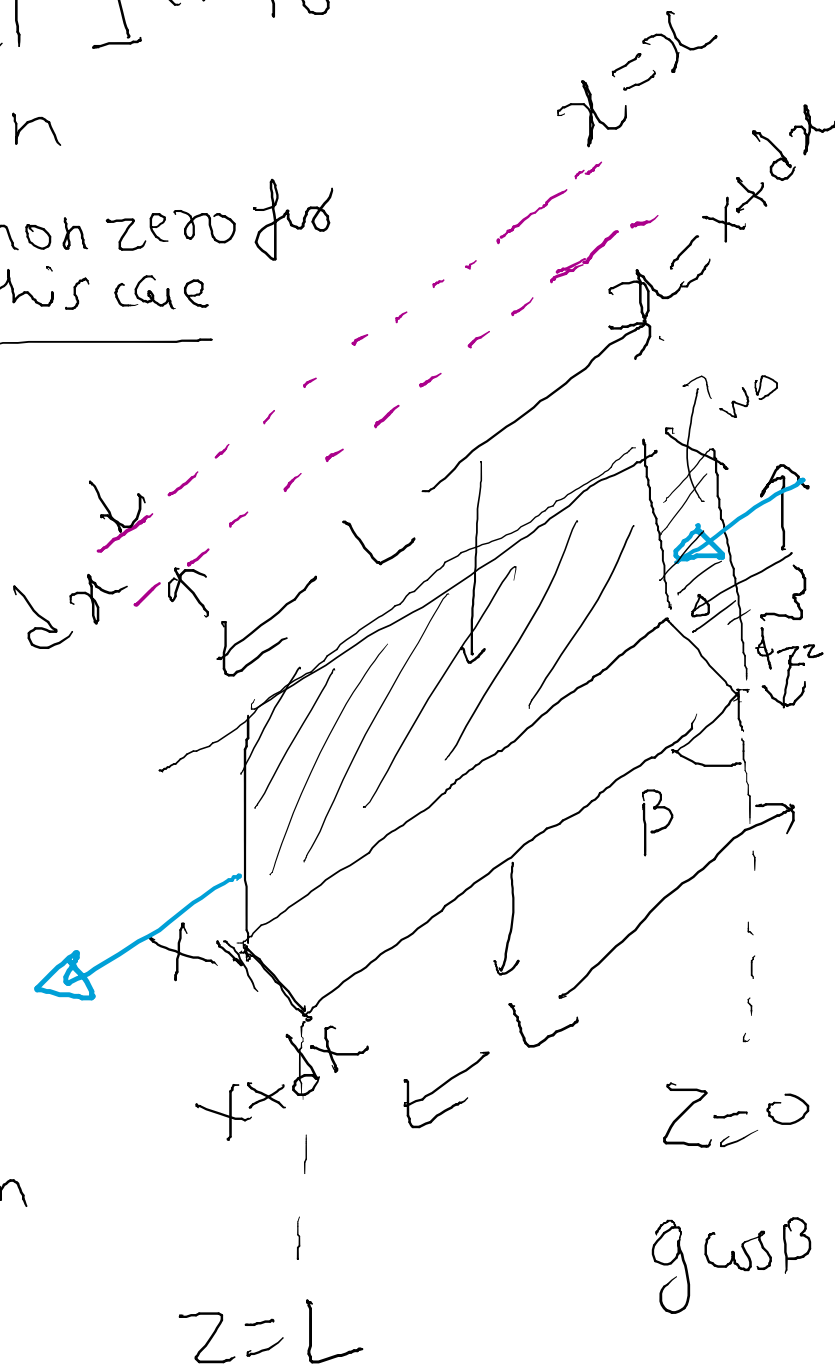
Components that are non zero for  
this case

$$\phi_{xz} \quad \phi_{yz} \quad \phi_{zz}$$

$\phi_{zz}$  = flux of z  
momentum in  
z direction

$\phi_{xz}$  = flux of z  
momentum in  
x-direction

$\phi_{yz}$  = flux of z  
momentum in  
y-direction.



$\phi_{yz} = 0$ , since no  
velocity gradient in y direction.  
 $w \gg \delta$ .

Write momentum balance equation for the components that are non-zero.

→ Rate of z-momentum in at  $z=0$

$$(\phi_{zz}|_{z=0}) w \Delta x$$

→ Rate of z-momentum out at  $z=L$

$$(\phi_{zz}|_{z=L}) w \Delta x$$

→ Rate of z-momentum in at  $x=x$

$$(\phi_{xz}|_{x=x}) w L$$

→ Rate of z-momentum out at  $x=x+\Delta x$

$$(\phi_{xz}|_{x=x+\Delta x}) w L$$

Momentum Balance Eqn.

$$(\text{Momentum In}) - (\text{Momentum out}) + \text{Body forces} = 0$$

$$\left\{ (\phi_{xz}|_{x=x}) L w - (\phi_{xz}|_{x+\Delta x}) L w \right\} - \text{--- (I)} \\ + \left\{ (\phi_{zz}|_{z=0}) w \Delta x - (\phi_{zz}|_{z=L}) w \Delta x \right\} \\ + \int g \omega \rho (L w \Delta x) = 0$$

$$\phi_{zz} = \cancel{\phi} + \cancel{\tau_{zz}} + \rho v_z v_z$$

$$\boxed{\phi_{xz} = \cancel{\tau_{xz}} + \rho v_x v_z \Rightarrow v_x = 0}$$

$$p = p(x).$$

$p|_{z=0}$  &  $p|_{z=L}$  will be same.

$L$  is large, no pressure difference in steady state.

$$* \tau_{zz} = -\mu \left[ 2 \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \right] \quad v_z \text{ is a function of } x.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 0.$$

$$\phi_{zz}|_{z=0} = p|_{z=0} + \rho v_z v_z|_{z=0}$$

$$\phi_{zz}|_{z=L} = p|_{z=L} + \rho v_z v_z|_{z=L}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\phi_{zz}|_{z=0} - \phi_{zz}|_{z=L} = 0}$$

Final momentum  
balance equation  
(Eqn I reduces to)

$$\left( \phi_{xz} \big|_{x=x} \right) LW - \left( \phi_{xz} \big|_{x=x+\Delta x} \right) LW + \rho g \cos \beta (LW \Delta x) = 0$$

$$\left( \tau_{xz} \big|_{x=x} \right) LW - \left( \tau_{xz} \big|_{x=x+\Delta x} \right) LW + \rho g \cos \beta (LW \Delta x) = 0$$

Now we can get  
a differential eqn.

Divide by  $LW \Delta x$ , take limit  $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ .

$$\frac{\left( \tau_{xz} \big|_{x=x} - \tau_{xz} \big|_{x=x+\Delta x} \right)}{\Delta x} + \rho g \cos \beta = 0$$

$$\neq \frac{d\tau_{xz}}{dx} = -\rho g \cos \beta$$

$$\frac{dT_{xz}}{dx} = \rho g \cos \beta$$

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$$T_{xz} = \rho g \cos \beta x + C_1$$

at  $x=0$  i.e. liquid-gas interface  
 $T_{xz} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow C_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{xz} = \rho g \cos \beta x$$

$$-\mu \frac{dv_z}{dx} = \rho g \cos \beta x$$

$$v_z = -\frac{\rho g \cos \beta x^2}{2\mu} + C_2$$

at  $x=s$ ,  $v_z = 0$  (No slip condition)  
 Solid-liquid interface.

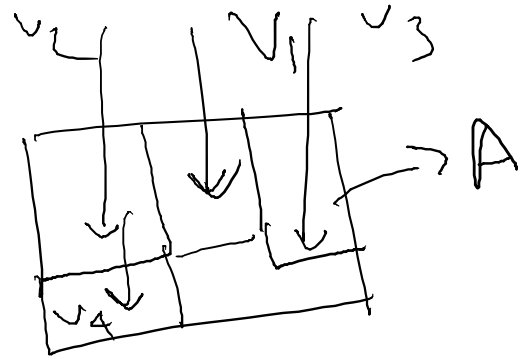
$$\hookrightarrow C_2 = \frac{\rho g \cos \beta s^2}{2\mu}$$

$$\therefore v_z = \frac{\rho g \cos \beta}{2\mu} (s^2 - x^2)$$

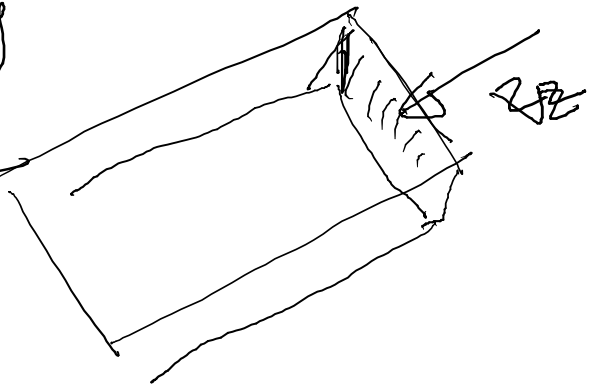
$$v_z = \frac{\rho g \cos \beta s^2}{2\mu} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{s^2}\right)$$

Max velocity  $\rightarrow \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} = 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial x^2} < 0$   
 (condition for maxima)

$$\langle v_z \rangle = \frac{\text{volumetric flow rate}}{\text{cross section area}}$$



$$= \frac{\int_0^w \int_0^{\delta} v_z dx dy}{\int_0^w \int_0^{\delta} dx dy}$$



Force

$$\tau_{xz}|_{x=\delta} \text{ (Area).}$$

$$= \int_0^L \int_0^w \tau_{xz}|_{x=\delta} dy dz$$