Navier-Stokes Equation Derivation in LaTeX

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Continuity Equation

$$\left(\frac{dm}{dt}\right)_{syst} = 0$$

Using Reynold's Transport Theorem [RTT]:

Taking Intensive Property, mass = 1

$$\int_{cv} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} + \int_{cv} \rho(V \cdot n) dA = 0$$

$$\implies \int_{cv} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} + \sum_{i} (\rho_i A_i V_i)_{out} - \sum_{i} (\rho_i A_i V_i)_{in} = 0$$

For very small elemental control volume

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}^{p}} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} \approx \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} dx dy dz$$

Face	Inlet Mass Flow	Outlet Mass Flow
x	$\rho_u dy dz$	$\left[\rho_u + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho_u)dx\right]dydz$
y	$ ho_v dx dz$	$\left[\rho_v + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho_v)dx\right]dxdz$
z	$\rho_w dx dy$	$\left[\rho_w + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho_w)dx\right]dxdy$

By substituting the Inlet mass flow and Outlet mass flow in \mathbf{RTT} we get

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} dx dy dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\rho_u) dx dy dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\rho_v) dx dy dz + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\rho_w) dx dy dz = 0$$

Dividing the whole equation by dxdydz we get

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \rho_u + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \rho_v + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \rho_w = 0$$

Using Laplasian operator

$$\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

The equation can be written as:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho V) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{V} = 0$$

This is known as the **Unsteady Term** of the equation.

For Incompressible flow, regardless of Steady or Unsteady flow:

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \approx 0 \implies \nabla \cdot V = 0$$

Momentum Equation

By Newton's 3^{rd} law

$$F = ma$$

$$= m\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(mV)$$

Intensive property $B = mV \implies \beta = \frac{dB}{dm} = V$ (Velocity).

$$\frac{d}{dt}(mV)_{syst} = \sum F = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_{cv} V \rho d\mathcal{V} \right) + \int_{cs} V \rho(V \cdot n) dA$$
 (1)

Mass flow rate \dot{M} at each face of the control volume can be written as:

$$\dot{M}_{cs} = \int_{sec} V \rho(V \cdot n) dA$$

$$\dot{M}_{seci} = V_i(\rho_i V_{ni} A_i) = \dot{m}_i V_i$$

Substituting \dot{M}_{cs} & \dot{M}_{seci} in 1 we get:

$$\implies \sum F = \frac{d}{dt} \left(\int_{\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{V}}} V \rho d\mathcal{V} \right) + \sum (\dot{m}_i V_i)_{out} - \sum (\dot{m}_i V_i)_{in}$$
 (2)

For a small elemental control volume

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\int_{\mathcal{U}} V \rho dV \approx \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho V) dx dy dz \right)$$

Faces	Inlet Momentum Flux	Outlet Momentum Flux
X	ho u V dy dz	$\left[\rho uV + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho uV)dx\right]dydz$
у	ho v V dx dz	$\left[\rho vV + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho vV)dx\right]dxdz$
${f z}$	ho w V dx dy	$\left[\rho wV + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho wV)dx\right]dxdy$

By substituting the Inlet momentum flux and Outlet momentum flux in 2 we get:

$$\sum F = dxdydz \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\rho u V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (\rho v V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (\rho w V) \right]$$
(3)

By splitting the terms within the brackets into 2 parts we get:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\rho u V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\rho v V) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\rho w V)$$

$$\Rightarrow V \left[\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho V)\right]^{0} + \rho \left(\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial V}{\partial z}\right)$$

$$(4)$$

The continuity equation becomes Zero Where the Total derivative is written as:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = \frac{dV}{dt}$$
 (5)

The sum of all forces can be written as:

$$\sum F = \rho \frac{dV}{dt} dx dy dz \tag{6}$$

Which is $Total\ Force\ acting = Body\ forces + Surface\ Forces$

Body Force (Gravity)
$$\implies dF_{grav} = \rho g dx dy dz$$
 (7)
Surface Force $\implies Hydrostatic\ Pressure + Viscous\ Stresses$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} -p + \tau_{xx} & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{xy} & -p + \tau_{yy} & \tau_{xy} \\ \tau xx & \tau xy & -p + \tau_{xz} \end{bmatrix}$$

Gradient of these stresses causes net force

$$dF_{x.surf} = \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\sigma_{xx}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\sigma_{xy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\sigma_{xz}) \right] dxdydz$$

$$\frac{dF_x}{d\mathcal{V}} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\tau_{xx}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\tau_{xy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\tau_{xz}) \tag{8}$$

$$\frac{dF_y}{d\mathcal{V}} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\tau_{xy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\tau_{yy}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\tau_{yz})$$
(9)

$$\frac{dF_z}{d\mathcal{V}} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x}(\tau_{xz}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y}(\tau_{yz}) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(\tau_{zz})$$
(10)

Or simply written as:

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\mathcal{V}}\right)_{surf} = -p\nabla + \left(\frac{dF}{d\mathcal{V}}\right)_{viscous} \tag{11}$$

Where

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\mathcal{V}}\right)_{viscous} = i\left(\frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z}\right) + j\left(\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z}\right) + k\left(\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zz}}{\partial z}\right)$$

Or

$$\left(\frac{dF}{d\mathcal{V}}\right)_{viscous} = \nabla \cdot \tau_{ij}$$

Where

$$\tau_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_{xx} & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \tau_{yy} & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{xz} & \tau_{yz} & \tau_{zz} \end{bmatrix}$$

By substituting 7 and 11 in 6 we get:

$$\rho g - \nabla p + \nabla \cdot \tau_{ij} = \rho \frac{dV}{dt} \tag{12}$$

$$\rho_{gx} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)
\rho_{gy} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right)
\rho_{gz} - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zz}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right)$$
(13)

By Newton's law of Viscosity

$$\tau_{xx} = 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$
 $\tau_{yy} = 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$
 $\tau_{zz} = 2\mu \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}$

(or)

$$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \qquad \tau_{xz} = \tau_{zx} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) \qquad \tau_{yz} = \tau_{zy} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)$$

On substituting the above equations in 13 we get:

$$\rho_{gx} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial w^2} \right) = \rho \frac{du}{dt}
\rho_{gy} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial w^2} \right) = \rho \frac{dv}{dt}
\rho_{gz} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial w^2} \right) = \rho \frac{dw}{dt}$$
(14)

We have arrived at the famous Navier-Stokes Equation

Navier-Stokes Equation

$$\rho \overrightarrow{\overline{DV}} = -\nabla p + \overrightarrow{\rho_g} + \mu \nabla^2 \overrightarrow{V}$$

Where

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \rho \overline{\overrightarrow{DV}} & \Longrightarrow & \text{Total Derivative} \\ -\nabla p & \Longrightarrow & \text{Pressure gradient} \\ \hline \rho_g^{\rightarrow} & \Longrightarrow & \text{Body force term} \\ \hline \mu \nabla^2 \overrightarrow{V} & \Longrightarrow & \text{Diffusion term} \end{array}$$