12-355: Fluid Mechanics Summary of Bernoulli Equation(s)

• Along streamline:

- **differential form** (for steady, inviscid fluid):

$$-\frac{\partial p}{\partial s} - \gamma \frac{\partial z}{\partial s} = \rho V \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} \tag{1}$$

- integral form (for steady, inviscid, incompressible fluid)

$$p + \gamma z + \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2 = \text{constant along streamline}$$
 (2)

• Across streamline:

- differential form (for steady, inviscid fluid):

$$-\frac{\partial p}{\partial n} - \gamma \frac{\partial z}{\partial n} = \rho \frac{V^2}{\mathcal{R}} \tag{3}$$

- integral form (for steady, inviscid, incompressible fluid):

$$p + \gamma z + \rho \int \frac{V^2}{\mathcal{R}} dn = \text{constant across streamline}$$
 (4)

 ρ is fluid density

 γ is fluid unit weight

 θ is angle streamline makes with horizontal

s is coordinate along streamline (in direction of flow)

n is coordinate normal to streamline (pointing inward)

V is fluid velocity (by definition along streamline)

z is vertical coordinate (opposite direction of gravity)

 \mathcal{R} is radius of curvature of streamline (at a point)

Typical usage:

- Equation 1: to find pressure gradient along streamline
- Equation 2: to find difference in pressure between two points along streamline
- Equation 3: to find pressure gradient across streamline
- Equation 4: to find difference in pressure between two points across streamline