

## Review of Fluid Mechanics Principles Useful in Environmental Flow & Transport Models

### Properties

Physical condition of a fluid described by its properties

extensive & intensive properties

extensive properties relate to a system, a defined quantity of mass

intensive properties relate to components of a system.

$W$  - weight is an extensive property of a system

$\gamma$  - specific weight (weight per unit volume) is an intensive property

### Properties involving mass

$\rho$  - mass density; mass per unit volume

$\gamma$  - specific weight; weight per unit volume;  $\gamma = \rho g$

In many fluids  $\rho$  is strongly dependent on applied normal stress (pressure)

$$\rho = \rho(p)$$

These fluids are called "compressible" (gasses, atmosphere).

When the bulk compressibility is small.

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\rho}{dp} \approx \text{small} (10^{-6} \text{ g/atm})$  the fluid is called "incompressible" (water, hydraulic oil)

S.G. - specific gravity; ratio of the specific weight of a liquid to the specific weight of water. (eg. S.G. = 13.6 for elemental Hg)

### Properties involving heat (energy)

$c$  - specific heat; amount of heat that must be transferred to a unit mass of material to raise its temperature by one degree ( $\frac{1^\circ\text{C}}{1\text{g}} = \text{calorie}$ ;  $\frac{1^\circ\text{F}}{1\text{lb}} = \text{Btu}$ )

$u$  - specific internal energy; energy a substance possesses because of molecular activity

$h$  - specific enthalpy;  $h = u + \frac{p}{\rho}$ ; energy in a substance because of molecular activity and applied pressure.

Gas properties

Equation of state  $pV = \frac{m}{M} RT$

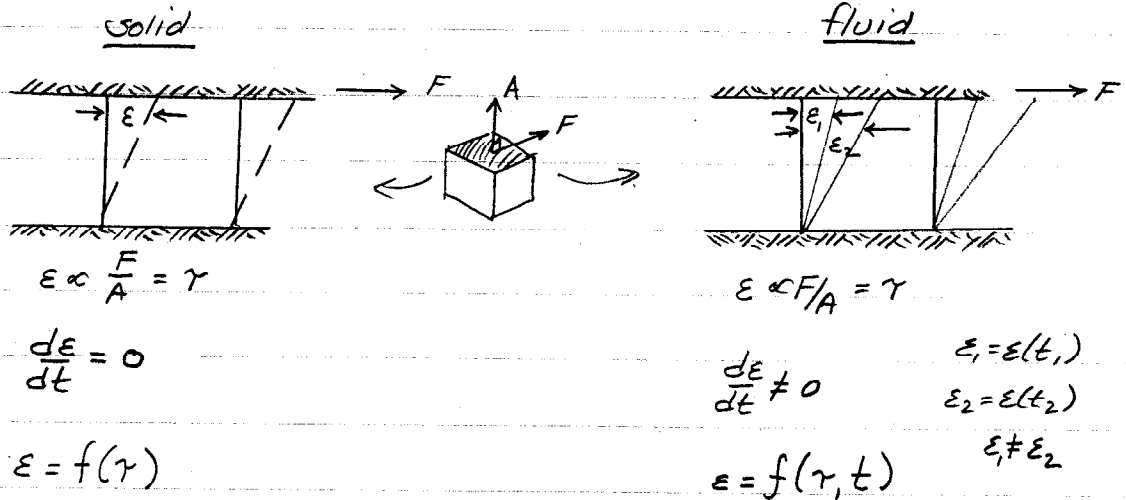
mass of gas  
 $\left(\frac{m}{M} = n \text{ moles}\right)$   
 $\leftarrow$  MW of gas

$C_v$  - constant volume specific heat.

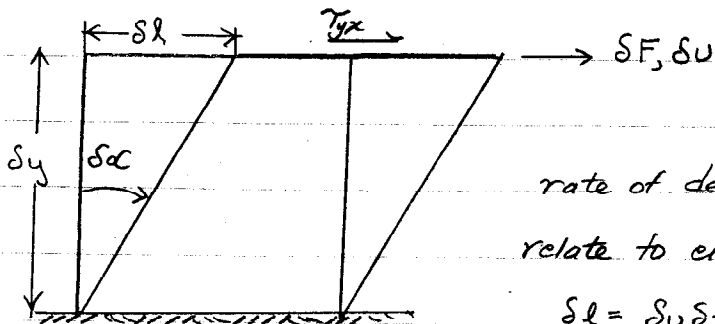
$C_p$  - constant pressure specific heat.

### Viscosity

A fluid is a substance that deforms continuously under application of shear stress



The rate of deformation is used to define viscosity



$$\tau_{yx} = \lim_{\delta A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta F}{\delta A} = \frac{dF}{dA}$$

rate of deformation:  $\lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \alpha}{\delta t} = \frac{d\alpha}{dt}$

relate to element geometry

$\delta l = \delta u \delta t$  (displacement = velocity \* time)

$\delta l = \delta y \delta \alpha$  ( $\tan(\delta \alpha) = \frac{\delta l}{\delta y}$ ;  $\tan(\alpha) = \alpha$  for small  $\alpha$ )

$\therefore \frac{\delta \alpha}{\delta t} = \frac{\delta u}{\delta y}$  ; in the limit:  $\frac{d\alpha}{dt} = \frac{du}{dy}$

If the rate of deformation is proportional to the stress the fluid is called a Newtonian fluid, and the constant of proportionality is called the absolute viscosity,  $\mu$ .

$$\tau_{yx} = \mu \frac{du}{dy}$$

If the rate of deformation is not linearly proportional, the fluid is called a non-Newtonian fluid, one model used is a power-law model

$$\tau_{yx} = k \left( \frac{du}{dy} \right)^{n-1} \frac{du}{dy}$$

this group is called the apparent viscosity

Elasticity or bulk compressibility is the volume change of a fluid element for a given change in applied pressure

$$E_v = -\frac{dp}{dV} V \quad \text{or} \quad E_v = -\frac{dp}{d\rho} \rho$$

Surface tension,  $\sigma$ , is the work per unit area required to separate two fluids. (Dimensions of  $\sigma$  are force per unit length) Surface tension is one reason why water can rise up into capillary tubes or porous materials

### Fluid Statics

Body forces are developed without contact and are distributed over the entire volume of a fluid. Weight is a body force.

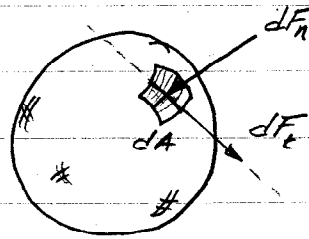
Surface forces act at boundaries of a medium through contact

### Stress

Consider the surface of a bubble, with some small area

defined on the surface:

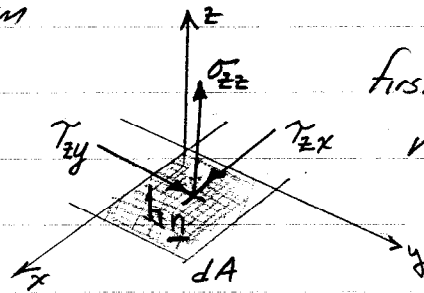
Stress is the limiting value of  $\frac{dF}{dA}$ .



Two kinds of stress are defined:  
normal (pressure)  
shear (tangential to surface)

The typical notation is  $\sigma = \lim_{dA \rightarrow 0} \frac{dF_n}{dA}$  (normal)  
 $\tau = \lim_{dA \rightarrow 0} \frac{dF_t}{dA}$  (shear)

When applied to an area in 3-dimensions there will be one normal stress and two shear stress terms in an orthogonal coordinate system



first subscript is direction of normal vector wrt. the plane ( $\pi$ )

second subscript is direction of stress application.

Fluid pressure is the normal stress applied by/to a fluid element. Because pressure is a normal force per unit area at any point in a fluid, it is treated as a scalar quantity:

force balances: (y-direction)

$$-p_{yy} \Delta x \Delta z + p_n \Delta l \sin \alpha \Delta x = 0; \Delta z = \Delta l \sin \alpha$$

$$\therefore p_{yy} = p_n$$

(x-direction)

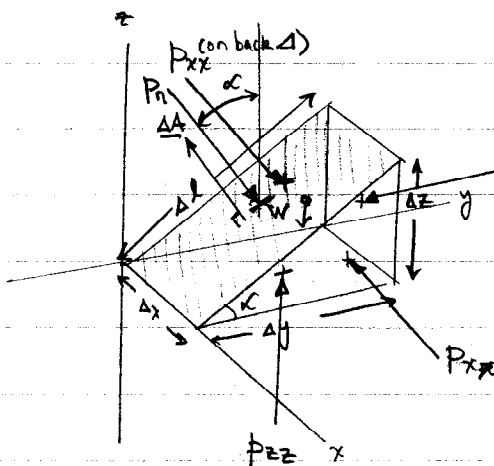
$$\frac{1}{2} p_{xx} \Delta y \Delta z - \frac{1}{2} p_{xx} \Delta y \Delta z = 0 \quad \therefore p_{xx} = p_{xx}$$

(z-direction)

$$p_{zz} \Delta x \Delta y - p_n \Delta x \Delta l \cos \alpha - \frac{1}{2} \rho g \Delta y \Delta z \Delta x = 0$$

$$\therefore p_{zz} - p_n - \frac{1}{2} \rho g \Delta z = 0; \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \Rightarrow p_{zz} = p_n$$

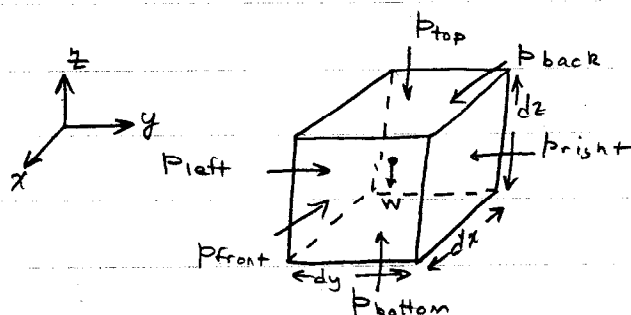
Thus  $p_n = p_{yy} = p_{zz}$  and because orientation is arbitrary  $p_n = p$



From this analysis one can conclude that pressure in a static fluid at a point is a single value, independent of direction — pressure is a scalar.

Fluid statics means that a fluid is free of relative motion — the entire fluid behaves as a "rigid body". The absence of angular deformation implies an absence of shear stress — static fluids can only sustain normal stress. Often fluid statics principles are successfully applied to study the behavior of moving fluids.

Fluid statics means  $\frac{du}{dy} = 0$ , it does not require  $\frac{du}{dt} = 0$ , so static balances can be used to study certain kinds of motion.



Force balance on a fluid element

$$\sum dF = dF_{\text{body}} + dF_{\text{surf}} = dm \underline{a} \quad (F = m \underline{a})$$

$$dm = \rho \, dx \, dy \, dz$$

$$dF_{\text{body}} = \rho g \, dx \, dy \, dz \quad dF_{\text{surf}} = (P_{\text{back}} - P_{\text{front}}) \, dz \, dy \, \underline{i} \\ (P_{\text{left}} - P_{\text{right}}) \, dx \, dz \, \underline{j} \\ (P_{\text{bottom}} - P_{\text{top}}) \, dx \, dy \, \underline{k}$$

Taylor series expansion about centroid is used to express the spatial pressure variation

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$$p_{\text{back}} = p_0 - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{2}$$

$$p_{\text{left}} = p_0 - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{2}$$

$$p_{\text{bottom}} = p_0 - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{2}$$

$$p_{\text{front}} = p_0 + \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{2}$$

$$p_{\text{right}} = p_0 + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{2}$$

$$p_{\text{top}} = p_0 + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{2}$$

Substitute into force balance expression & simplify

$$\rho g dx dy dz - \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} i + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} j + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} k \right) dx dy dz}_{\text{gradient of pressure}} = \rho \underline{a} dx dy dz$$

$$\therefore \rho g - \nabla p = \rho \underline{a} \quad (\text{Euler's equation of motion for a fluid - applies})$$

to flows where only forces are pressure and gravity; non-viscous flow. When the fluid is not accelerating  $\underline{a} = 0$  and a special case

is  $\rho g - \nabla p = 0$ . This case is called "hydrostatic"

body force/volume — pressure force/volume

Written as component equations

$\rho g_x - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0$ ;  $\rho g_y - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0$ ;  $\rho g_z - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = 0$ . Often  $g$  is aligned with the  $-z$  axis so we obtain

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -\rho g = -\gamma$$

typical form of hydrostatic fluid

The typ. form displays the fundamental relationship between pressure variation and depth in a static fluid. In practice, this relationship is often used with moving fluids as a first approximation.

### Velocity field (moving fluids)

Lagrangian approach — choose an individual fluid particle (parcel)

Eulerian approach — choose a particular location in space

Fluid particle kinematics (Lagrangian approach)

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position  $\underline{r}(t) = x(t)\underline{i} + y(t)\underline{j} + z(t)\underline{k}$

Velocity  $\underline{V}$  or  $\underline{U}(t) = \frac{dx}{dt}\underline{i} + \frac{dy}{dt}\underline{j} + \frac{dz}{dt}\underline{k} = U(t)\underline{i} + V(t)\underline{j} + W(t)\underline{k}$

$U(t) = \frac{dx}{dt}$  at current position of particle

$V(t) = \frac{dy}{dt}$  at current position of particle

$W(t) = \frac{dz}{dt}$  at current position of particle

acceleration  $\underline{a}(t) = \frac{dU}{dt}\underline{i} + \frac{dV}{dt}\underline{j} + \frac{dW}{dt}\underline{k}$

reference is always current particle position

Fluid Element kinematics (Eulerian approach)

position:  $\underline{r} = x\underline{i} + y\underline{j} + z\underline{k}$  (some fixed point in space)

Velocity:  $\underline{U}(x, y, z, t) = \frac{dx}{dt}\bigg|_{x, y, z, t}\underline{i} + \frac{dy}{dt}\bigg|_{x, y, z, t}\underline{j} + \frac{dz}{dt}\bigg|_{x, y, z, t}\underline{k} = U(x, y, z, t)\underline{i} + V(x, y, z, t)\underline{j} + W(x, y, z, t)\underline{k}$

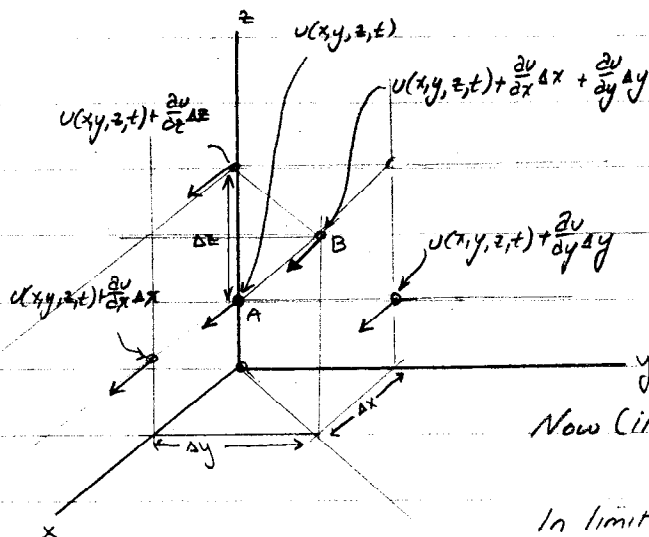
at current position in space.

acceleration:  $\underline{a}(x, y, z, t) = \left( \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} + W \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \right) \underline{i} + \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} + W \frac{\partial V}{\partial z} \right) \underline{j} + \left( \frac{\partial W}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial W}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial W}{\partial y} + W \frac{\partial W}{\partial z} \right) \underline{k}$

Consider just x-direction  $a_x = \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}}_{\text{local acceleration}} + \underbrace{U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} + W \frac{\partial U}{\partial z}}_{\text{convective acceleration}}$

local acceleration convective acceleration

$\therefore$  It is possible to have convective acceleration in steady  $\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right) = 0$  flow!



i) (x-direction) Velocity at A at time  $t$  is

$U(t) = U(x, y, z, t)$

ii) particle moves from A to B over an interval of  $\Delta t$ , thus the x-comp. of velocity is

$U(t + \Delta t) = U(x, y, z, t) + \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \Delta x + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \Delta y + \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \Delta z}_{\text{translation in space } \Delta x, \Delta y, \Delta z \text{ units}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \Delta t}_{\text{translation in time } \Delta t \text{ units}}$

Now (ii - i) =  $\frac{U(t + \Delta t) - U(t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} \frac{\Delta z}{\Delta t} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta t}$

In limit as  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$   $\frac{dU}{dt} = U \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} + V \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} + W \frac{\partial U}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}$

Eulerian acceleration expressions are important in contaminant transport models that use particle tracking principles. They are also important in 3-d unsteady flows where viscosity and turbulence is important

### Flow patterns

Timeline is a line formed by marking adjacent particles at some instant.

pathline is the trajectory of a particular fluid particle

streakline is the trajectory of many particles that all pass through a common point.

\* Streamline is a line in a flow field that is tangent to the velocity field everywhere. No flow occurs across a streamline.

uniform flow is a flow field where velocity does not change along a streamline

nonuniform flow is where velocity does vary with position

steady flow is a flow field where the velocity at a point is constant (in time)

unsteady flow is a flow field where velocity at a point varies in time.

Flow dimensions are classified by how many spatial coordinates are required to specify the velocity field. All real flows are 3-dimensional but many useful engineering analyses are possible using 2D and 1D approximations. Most real flows are unsteady but many useful engineering analyses are possible using steady flow approximations



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## Control volume analysis

Control volume is a fundamental tool in flow mechanics - it is the equivalent of the free-body diagram in particle/rigid body mechanics. The cell balance method is an applied control volume analysis.

The control volume is the basis of the Reynolds's transport theorem that allows analysis from a Eulerian perspective rather than tracking individual particles. The general idea is to express fundamental processes (physics, chemistry) in an integral form.

\* 1) conservation of mass  $\frac{dm}{dt}|_{\text{system}} = 0$

\* 2) conservation of linear momentum  $m \frac{d\mathbf{U}}{dt}|_{\text{system}} = \sum \mathbf{F}$

3) conservation of angular momentum  $m \frac{d\mathbf{w}}{dt}|_{\text{system}} = \sum \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{F}$

\* 4) conservation of energy  $\frac{dQ}{dt} - \frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{dE}{dt}|_{\text{system}}$   $Q$  - heat into system  
 $W$  - work done by system

5) Entropy  $\frac{dS}{dt}|_{\text{system}} \geq \frac{1}{T} \frac{dQ}{dt}$   $T$  - abs. temperature  
 $S$  - entropy

The most useful processes in environmental flow and transport modeling are conservation of mass, <sup>(linear)</sup> momentum, and energy

Extensive quantity - a property that extends throughout a given mass of fluid

Intensive quantity - amount of extensive quantity per unit mass

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Extensive

$$m = \int \frac{m}{m} dm$$

$$B = \int \beta dm \quad \therefore \text{for mass } \beta = 1$$

$$m\mathbf{V} = \int \frac{m}{m} \mathbf{V} dm$$

$$\mathbf{r} \times m\mathbf{V} = \int \frac{\mathbf{r} \times m\mathbf{V}}{m} dm$$

$$m e = \int \frac{m e}{m} dm$$

$$m s = \int \frac{m s}{m} dm$$

Intensive

$$= \int \rho d\tau$$

$$= \int \beta \rho d\tau$$

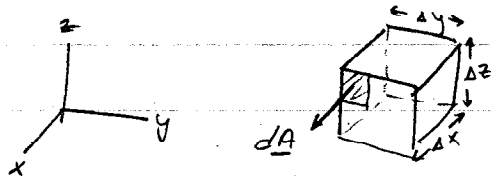
$$= \int \mathbf{V} \rho d\tau$$

$$= \int \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{V} \rho d\tau$$

$$= \int e \rho d\tau$$

$$= \int s \rho d\tau$$

Control volume is a defined volume in space



the bounding surface is called the control surface.

$d\mathbf{A}$  is the outward pointing area vector

$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{back}} = -\Delta y \Delta z \mathbf{i}$$

$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{left}} = -\Delta x \Delta z \mathbf{j}$$

$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{bottom}} = -\Delta x \Delta y \mathbf{k}$$

$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{front}} = \Delta y \Delta z \mathbf{i}$$

$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{right}} = \Delta x \Delta z \mathbf{j}$$

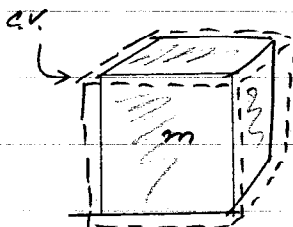
$$d\mathbf{A}_{\text{top}} = \Delta x \Delta y \mathbf{k}$$

Fundamental relationship between extensive and intensive properties is

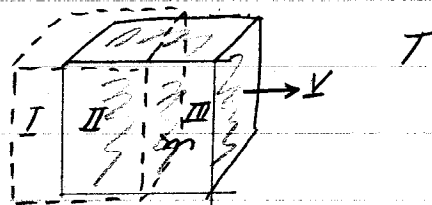
$$B_{\text{system}} = \int \beta dm = \int \beta \rho d\tau$$

The system equations are written as  $\frac{dB}{dt}_{\text{system}} = \text{rhs}$ . Reynolds transport theorem

is used to change rhs into volume based terms.



time = t



time = t + Δt

C.V. is fixed in space. Mass  $m$  moves in a Eulerian velocity field  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}(x, y, z, t)$ .

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$$\left. \frac{dB}{dt} \right|_{\text{sys.}} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{B_{t+\Delta t} - B_t}{\Delta t}; \quad B_t = B_{\text{CV}t}$$

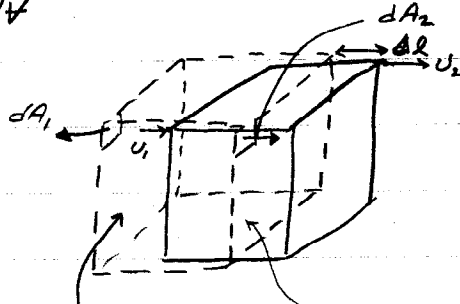
$$B_{t+\Delta t} = (B_{\text{II}} + B_{\text{III}})_{t+\Delta t} = (B_{\text{CV}} - B_{\text{I}} + B_{\text{III}})_{t+\Delta t}$$

In terms of intensive properties

$$\frac{dB}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - \int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_t + \int_{\text{III}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - \int_{\text{I}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t}}{\Delta t}$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - \int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_t}{\Delta t} + \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{\text{III}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t}}{\Delta t} - \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{\text{I}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV$$



$$-\int_{\text{I}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t} = -\int_{\text{CS}} \beta \rho u_1 dA_1$$

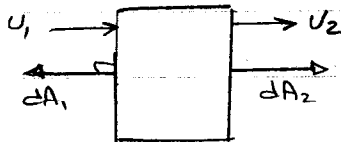
Gauss Divergence Theorem

$$\int_{\text{III}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t} = \int_{\text{CS}} \beta \rho u_2 dA_2$$

Gauss Divergence Theorem

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{\text{III}} \beta \rho dV \Big|_{t+\Delta t}}{\Delta t} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\text{C.S.}} \beta \rho \frac{\Delta R}{\Delta t} dA_2 = \int_{\text{C.S.}} \beta \rho u_2 dA_2 \quad \text{likewise for the left face}$$

we have  $-\int_{\text{C.S.}} \beta \rho u_1 dA_1$

Now study relationship between  $dA$  &  $V$ 

$$-u_1 dA_1 = \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A} \Big|_0$$

 $u_1$  &  $dA_1$  are in opposite direction

$$u_2 dA_2 = \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A} \Big|_0$$

 $u_2$  &  $dA_2$  are in same direction $u_1$  &  $u_2$  are in same direction

Vector calculus

inner product preserves correct sign relation

$$\therefore \left. \frac{dB}{dt} \right|_{\text{sys.}} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\text{CV}} \beta \rho dV + \int_{\text{C.S.}} \beta \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Result is called "Reynolds' Transport Theorem"

Apply to fundamental conservation laws

Mass

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Momentum

$$\Sigma \underline{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \underline{V} dV + \int_{CS} \rho \underline{V} (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Angular Momentum

$$\Sigma \underline{r} \times \underline{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho (\underline{r} \times \underline{V}) dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{r} \times \underline{V}) (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Energy

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} - \frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho e dV + \int_{CS} \rho e (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Alternative View

Consider a reactor vessel

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV = \rho A_{in} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

$$\int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A}) = -\rho \left( \frac{Q_{out}}{A_{in}} \right) (A_{in}) + \rho \left( \frac{Q_{out}}{A_{out}} \right) (A_{out})$$

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 $V_{in}$   $V_{out}$

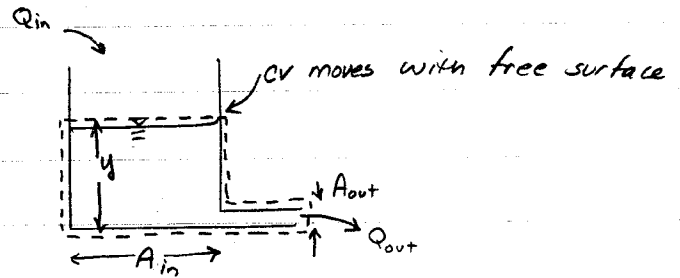
rate of mass stored in vessel.

$$0 = \rho A_{in} \frac{dy}{dt} + \rho Q_{out} - \rho Q_{in} \rightarrow \underbrace{\rho Q_{in}}_{\text{rate of mass into vessel}} - \underbrace{\rho Q_{out}}_{\text{rate of mass out of vessel}} = \rho A_{in} \frac{dy}{dt}$$

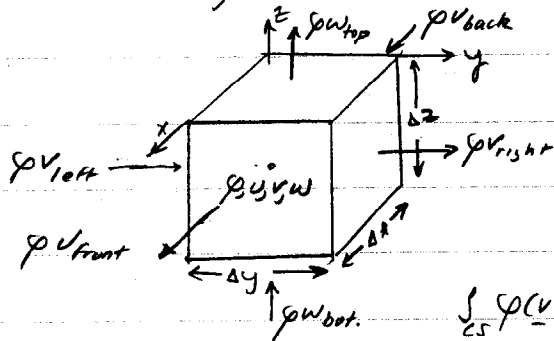
∴ The classic environmental engineering approach to mass balance is simply a restatement of the principles of Reynolds' transport theorem.

We can treat momentum, energy etc. the same way

forces on element + rate of momentum in - rate of momentum out = rate of momentum stored  
 rate of heat in - work out + rate of energy in - rate of energy out = rate of energy accumulated



Continuity at a point (Critical for all types of models involving flow)



Velocity field  $\underline{V} = u\mathbf{i} + v\mathbf{j} + w\mathbf{k}$

Conservation of mass

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\mathbf{A})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\mathbf{A}) &= \rho u_{back} \mathbf{i} \cdot (-\Delta y \Delta z \mathbf{i}) + \rho u_{front} \mathbf{i} \cdot (\Delta y \Delta z \mathbf{i}) \\ &+ \rho v_{left} \mathbf{j} \cdot (-\Delta x \Delta z \mathbf{j}) + \rho v_{right} \mathbf{j} \cdot (\Delta x \Delta z \mathbf{j}) \\ &+ \rho w_{bot} \mathbf{k} \cdot (-\Delta x \Delta y \mathbf{k}) + \rho w_{top} \mathbf{k} \cdot (\Delta x \Delta y \mathbf{k}) \end{aligned}$$

Using a Taylor series expansion about  $x, y, z$  for the  $\rho u, \rho v$  &  $\rho w$  terms

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \rho u_{back} &= \rho u - \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} \frac{\Delta x}{2}, \quad \rho u_{front} = \rho u + \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} \frac{\Delta x}{2} \\ \rho v_{left} &= \rho v - \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial y} \frac{\Delta y}{2}, \quad \rho v_{right} = \rho v + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial y} \frac{\Delta y}{2} \\ \rho w_{bot} &= \rho w - \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial z} \frac{\Delta z}{2}, \quad \rho w_{top} = \rho w + \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial z} \frac{\Delta z}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Substitute into above integral}$$

$$\int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\mathbf{A}) = \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial y} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial z} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$$

The volume integral is

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV = \int_{CV} \frac{d\rho}{dt} dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\underline{V}_s \cdot d\mathbf{A})$$

↑ Velocity of C.S. relative to Eulerian reference frame (in this case  $\underline{V}_s = 0$ )

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho dV = \int_{CV} \frac{d\rho}{dt} dV \quad \text{If volume is not deforming then } \frac{d\rho}{dt} = \frac{d\rho}{dt} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$$

Substitute the volume & flux integrals into conservation of mass equation to obtain

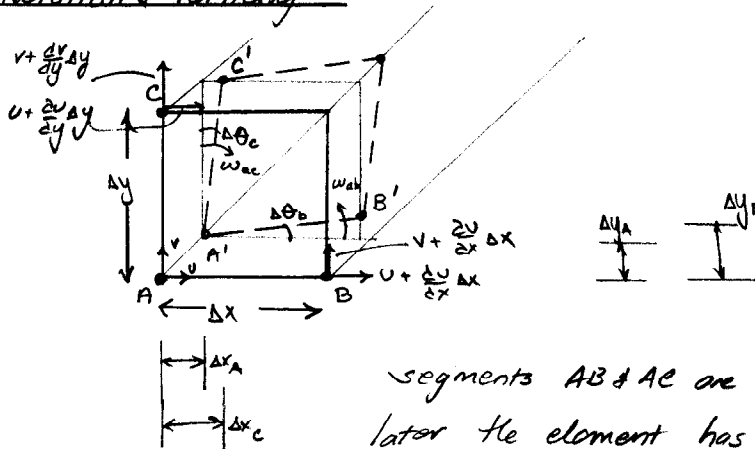
$$0 = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial y} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial z} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$$

Now divide by element volume to obtain

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial \rho u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \rho w}{\partial z}}_{\text{divergence of mass flux}} = 0$$

Usually one sees this expression as:  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\text{div}(\rho \underline{V})$  or  $-\nabla \cdot (\rho \underline{V})$

# Rotation & Vorticity



segments AB & AC are initially orthogonal. At time later the element has moved as shown.

Expected position of all vertices in translation only is  $\Delta x_A, \Delta y_A$ . Points B' & C' show a little extra translation,  $\Delta x_B, \Delta y_B$  because of slight deformation (rotation) of the element.

Rate of rotation of AB is  $\omega_{ab} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \theta_B}{\Delta t}$

$$\tan(\Delta \theta_B) = \frac{\Delta y_B - \Delta y_A}{\Delta x} \quad (\text{for small angles } \tan(\theta) = \theta)$$

$$\therefore \Delta \theta_B \propto \frac{\Delta y_B - \Delta y_A}{\Delta x} \quad \text{thus } \Delta \theta_B = \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Delta x \Delta t}{\Delta x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Delta t$$

$$\omega_{ab} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \theta_B}{\Delta t} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Delta t}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Rate of rotation of AC is  $\omega_{ac} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta \theta_C}{\Delta t}$  which by similar reasoning is

$$\omega_{ac} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

Average rate of rotation is

$$\omega_z = \frac{\omega_{ab} + \omega_{ac}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)$$

Extension of these concepts to 3D produces the angular velocity vector:

$$\underline{\omega} = \omega_x \underline{i} + \omega_y \underline{j} + \omega_z \underline{k}$$

$$\text{Where } \omega_x = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right)$$

$$\omega_y = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)$$

The vorticity vector is defined as twice the angular velocity vector

$$\underline{\Omega} = \underbrace{\left( \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \underline{i} + \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \underline{j} + \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \underline{k}}_{\text{curl of the velocity field}}$$

$$\underline{\Omega} = \text{curl}(\underline{V}) \quad \text{or} \quad \nabla \times \underline{V}.$$

In a case where vorticity vanishes, the flow is called irrotational.

Many practical cases can be treated as irrotational, which is a tremendously useful simplification. However, in some problems of practical importance, rotation is important and the vorticity cannot be neglected.

Summary of important mechanics relationships

hydrostatic pressure:  $\rho \underline{a} = \rho \underline{g} - \nabla p$

continuity:  $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \rho \underline{V}$   $\underline{V}$  - velocity vector in Eulerian sense.

vorticity:  $\underline{\Omega} = \nabla \times \underline{V}$

Bernoulli's Equation (Fluid mechanics to hydraulics)

Assume non-viscous (inviscid flow)

$$\rho \underline{a} = \rho \underline{g} - \nabla p.$$

Require  $\underline{g} = -g \underline{k}$ ; then  $\rho \underline{a} = -\nabla(p + \rho g z)$

Require  $\rho g = \text{constant}$  (incompressible) then  $\frac{\underline{a}}{g} = -\nabla\left(\frac{p}{\rho g} + z\right)$

Write  $\underline{a}$  in differential form

$$a_x = u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}$$

$$a_y = u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}$$

$$a_z = u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$$

Require steady flow  $\left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = 0 \right)$

Then

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

Require  $\nabla \times \underline{V} = 0$  (irrotational flow), then  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$ ;  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x}$ ;  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$

Substitute:  $\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( u \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

Recall  $y \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dy^2}{dx}$  so

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{v^2}{2} + \frac{w^2}{2} \right) \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right) \quad \delta = \rho g$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{v^2}{2} + \frac{w^2}{2} \right) \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right) \quad \text{observe } \underline{V} \cdot \underline{V} = u^2 + v^2 + w^2$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{u^2}{2} + \frac{v^2}{2} + \frac{w^2}{2} \right) \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z \right)$$

Rearrange  $0 = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z + \frac{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}{2g} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z + \frac{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}{2g} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( \frac{p}{\rho g} + z + \frac{u^2 + v^2 + w^2}{2g} \right)$

If  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ , then  $y = \text{const. wrt } x$ . All three equations must equal the same constant for equality to be satisfied.

$$\therefore \frac{p}{\rho g} + z + \frac{\underline{V} \cdot \underline{V}}{2g} = C$$

This result is called Bernoulli's equation; it is valid for steady, incompressible, irrotational, inviscid flow.

Usually written as  $\frac{p}{\rho g} + z + \frac{V^2}{2g} = C$   $V^2 = \text{magnitude of}$



## Energy Equation

Reynold's transport theorem applied to the energy principle gives

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} - \frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \left( u + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz \right) dV + \int_{CS} \rho \left( u + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz \right) \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A}$$

$u$  - specific internal energy (note how it appears in same location as pressure in the momentum equation).

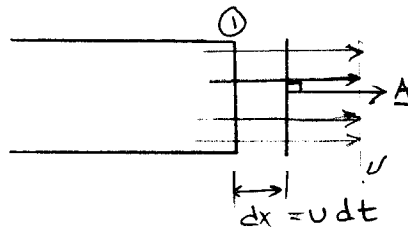
$\frac{dQ}{dt}$  = heat into CV.

$\frac{dW}{dt}$  = work done by CV.

## Flow Work

Work = force · distance :  $W = F dx$

$$\frac{dW}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (F dx) = F \frac{dx}{dt} = F U \quad (\text{for constant force, such as pressure})$$



Momentum at ①

$$F_p = \int_{CS} p \underline{V} (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

$$pA = \rho U^2 A$$

Distance through which this force is applied is  $dx = U dt$

$$\therefore F_p dx = p A U dt = \rho U^2 A U dt$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dW}{dt} = F_p \frac{dx}{dt} = \underbrace{p A U}_{Q \text{ (discharge)}} = \underbrace{\rho U^2 A U}_Q \quad \text{Usually flow work is}$$

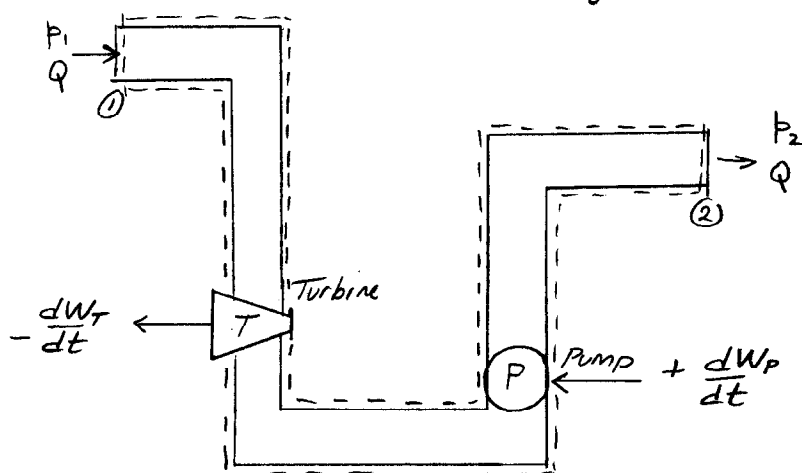
incorporated into the flux integral as

$$\int_{CS} \rho \left( \frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz + u \right) \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A} \quad \text{and the } \frac{dW}{dt} \text{ is called shaft work (excludes flow work)}$$

Now notice the remarkable similarity to Bernoulli's form.

Flow work is the energy required for the fluid to flow against pressure forces. Shaft work is the energy that can be removed by mechanical devices from the flow field and put to use.

As an illustration consider steady flow in a pipeline



$$\frac{dQ_{\text{heat}}}{dt} - \frac{dW_s}{dt} = \int_1 \left( \frac{P_1}{\rho} + gz_1 + \frac{U_1^2}{2} + u_1 \right) \rho \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A} + \int_2 \left( \frac{P_2}{\rho} + gz_2 + \frac{U_2^2}{2} + u_2 \right) \rho \underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A}$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dt} \int_{cv} \left( \frac{U^2}{2} + gz + u \right) \rho dV$$

Steady flow, fixed c.v.

$$-\frac{dW_s}{dt} = \frac{dW_T}{dt} + \frac{dW_P}{dt}$$

flux integrals evaluate as

$$\frac{dQ_{\text{heat}}}{dt} - \frac{dW_T}{dt} - \frac{dW_P}{dt} = -\frac{P_1}{\rho} \rho Q - gz_1 \rho Q - \frac{\alpha_1 U_1^2}{2} \rho Q - u_1 \rho Q$$

$$+ \frac{P_2}{\rho} \rho Q - gz_2 \rho Q - \frac{\alpha_2 U_2^2}{2} \rho Q - u_2 \rho Q$$

$$\alpha_1 \text{ \& } \alpha_2 \text{ are kinetic energy correction coefficients : } \alpha = \frac{\int U^3 dA}{\int \bar{U}^3 dA}$$

$$\text{where } \bar{U} = \frac{\int U dA}{S dA}$$

$$1 \leq \alpha \leq 2 \quad (\alpha \approx 1 \text{ for turbulent flow } \text{usual practice is } \rightarrow 2 \text{ for laminar flows } \text{to assume } \alpha = 1)$$

Result (after rearrangement & simplification) is

$$\underbrace{\left(\frac{dW_P}{dt}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\rho g Q}\right)}_{\text{added head from pump}} + \frac{p_1}{\rho g} + z_1 + \frac{\alpha_1 U_1^2}{2g} = \frac{p_2}{\rho g} + z_2 + \frac{\alpha_2 U_2^2}{2g} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{dW_T}{dt}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\rho g Q}\right)}_{\text{head removed by turbine}} + \underbrace{\frac{U_2 - U_1}{\rho g Q} - \left(\frac{dQ_{HEAT}}{dt}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\rho g Q}\right)}_{\text{head loss}}$$

The dimensions are energy per unit weight of fluid, which is a length. These energy terms are called "head".

The head loss term includes frictional loss (the  $\frac{dQ_{HEAT}}{dt}$ ) and losses from changes in internal energy. If the liquid does not change phase (flash to a gas) the internal energy changes are simply expressed as a change in temperature.

In water systems  $\Delta U$  is usually small and the head loss term is mostly friction loss.

The energy equation is usually written as

$$\underbrace{\frac{p_1}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha_1 U_1^2}{2g}}_{\text{pressure head} + \text{velocity head}} + \underbrace{z_1}_{\text{elevation head}} + h_P = \frac{p_2}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha_2 U_2^2}{2g} + z_2 + h_T - h_L$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{total dynamic head}} + \underbrace{\hspace{5em}}_{\text{static head}} = \text{static head}$

Note the remarkable similarity to Bernoulli's equation.

This energy equation is valid for steady, one-dimensional flow.

Bernoulli's equation

Energy equation

continuity are used extensively in environmental flow modeling, even in flows where some assumptions are violated, they produce good approximations.

### Angular Momentum

Reynold's transport theorem applied to the conservation of angular momentum gives

$$\Sigma (\underline{r} \times \underline{F}) = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \underline{r} \times \underline{V} \rho dV + \int_{CS} (\underline{r} \times \underline{V}) \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

Its application often involves both continuity and the Bernoulli equation or energy equation

### Navier-Stokes Equations

Apply force balance to a fluid element

(Use  $x$ -direction as illustration)

$$\Sigma F_x = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho u dV + \int_{CS} u \rho (\underline{V} \cdot d\underline{A})$$

inertial reference frame  
(C.V. is fixed in space)

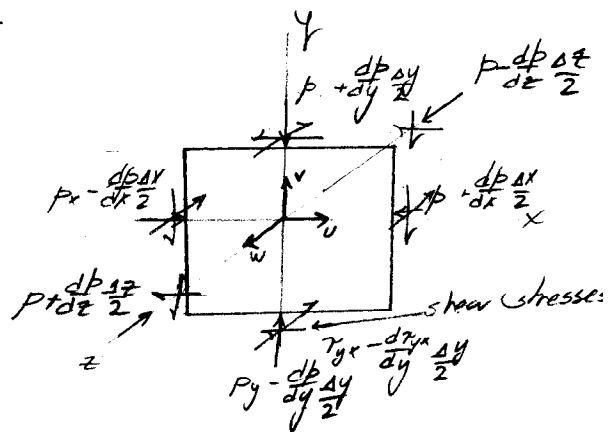
#### Forces

gravity:  $g_x \rho \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$

pressure:  $-\frac{dp}{dx} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$

shear:  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \tau_{yx} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \tau_{zx} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tau_{xx} \Delta x \Delta y \Delta z$

normal stress other than pressure — proportional to shear rate; think of it as a "dynamic" added pressure that vanishes when fluid is stationary



$\therefore$  Momentum becomes (in 3D)

$$\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tau_{xx} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \tau_{yx} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \tau_{zx} + \rho g_x$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tau_{xy} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \tau_{yy} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \tau_{zy} + \rho g_y$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tau_{xz} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \tau_{yz} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \tau_{zz} + \rho g_z$$

To "complete" these equations constitutive equations that relate the shear stresses to the velocity field are used

For a Newtonian, incompressible fluid

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_{xx} &= 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \tau_{yx} &= \tau_{xy} = \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ \tau_{yy} &= 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} & \tau_{xz} &= \tau_{zx} = \mu \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\ \tau_{zz} &= 2\mu \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} & \tau_{yz} &= \tau_{zy} = \mu \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Inserting these constitutive relations into the momentum equation, simplifying by grouping of like terms produces a set of equations known as the Navier-Stokes equations:

$$\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \rho g_x + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial z} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial z} \right)$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \rho g_y + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y \partial z} \right)$$

$$\rho \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \rho u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \rho g_z + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z \partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z \partial z} \right)$$

$\underbrace{\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}}_{\text{local acceleration}}$	$\underbrace{\rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \rho w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}}_{\text{convective acceleration}}$	$\underbrace{-\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}}_{\text{pressure gradient}}$	$\underbrace{\rho g_x + \mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)}_{\text{body (gravity) force}}$	$\underbrace{\mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial z} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x \partial z} \right)}_{\text{normal momentum diffusion (inertia)}}$	$\underbrace{\mu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial y} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y \partial z} \right)}_{\text{tangential momentum diffusion}}$
				$\mu \nabla \cdot (\nabla \underline{u})^T$	$\mu \nabla \cdot \underline{\nabla u}$

In inviscid flow the viscosity terms are negligible so the Navier-Stokes equations reduce to

$$\rho \frac{D\underline{V}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \underline{g}$$

which is identical to Euler's equation of fluid flow.

In compact notation the Navier-Stokes equations can be written as:

$$\rho \frac{D\underline{V}}{Dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \underline{g} + \mu \nabla \cdot (\nabla \underline{V})^T + \mu \nabla \cdot (\underline{\nabla V})$$

The kinds of problems where solution of Navier-Stokes equations are used include:

(1) Inviscid compressible flow

continuity, momentum & energy NS equations

rocket nozzle flow, aircraft inlet flows, re-entry & rocket aerodynamic flows, blast field (explosion) flows.

(2) Turbulent flows

A turbulence closure model supplies a "stress" term. so that mean flow calculations are made on "averaged" NS equations

Applications: estuary and lake flows, atmospheric flows

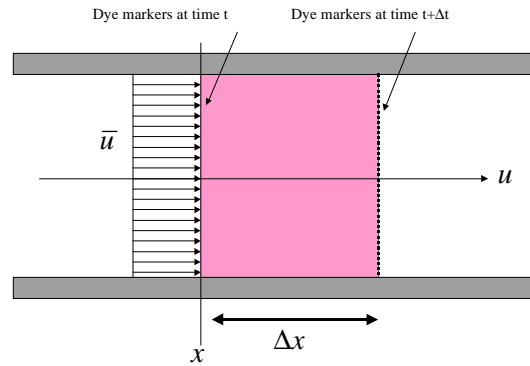
(3) Incompressible flows:

open channel flow, potential flow (porous media)

Most models in Environmental Flows are extreme simplifications of a full NS model, but underlying all the models is the theoretical background of the Navier-Stokes equation.

### Mean Section Velocity/Discharge

Most flow and transport calculations are made using the mean section velocity or discharge of the flow field. Discharge is the volume rate of flow in a fluid system. It has dimensions of length<sup>3</sup>/time.



**Figure 1: Mean Section Velocity - Uniform Flow Across Section**

The figure is a schematic of a conduit completely filled with fluid. Dye markers are placed at location  $x$  at some time  $t$ . A short period of time later, the position of the dye markers has moved to the location shown on the diagram. The product of the area of the conduit and the distance swept by the dye markers is a volume. The ratio of this volume and time it takes for this volume to be defined is called the volumetric flow rate.

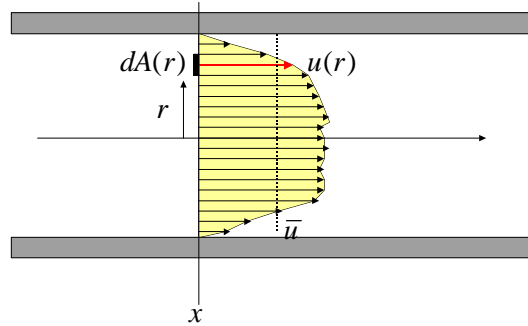
In mathematical terms, the area of the conduit is  $A$ . The volume of fluid that passed  $x$  in the time interval  $\Delta t$  is  $\Delta x A$ .

The volumetric flow rate is then

$$Q = \frac{V}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} A$$

In the limit this flow rate is defined in terms of the mean section velocity,  $Q = \bar{u} A$ .

If the velocity varies across the section, the mean sectional velocity is found by integration.



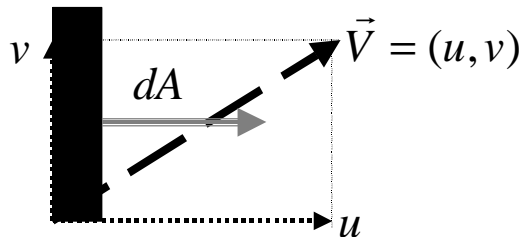
**Figure 2: Mean Section Velocity - Non-Uniform Flow Across Section**

From calculus we define the differential increment of discharge as,  $dQ = u dA$ .

Integration of all the differential elements is expressed as,  $\int dQ = \int u dA$ . From the conceptual definition of average section velocity we can compute its value as the ratio of these two integrals,

$$\bar{u} = \frac{\int u dA}{\int dQ}$$

Observe that  $Q = \bar{u}A$  is perpendicular to  $u$ . For an arbitrary orientation one must compute the scalar product of the velocity vector and the area vector, as depicted in Figure 3.



**Figure 3: Non-Colinear Velocity and Area Vectors**



$$Q = \int \vec{V} \bullet d\vec{A} = \int u \bullet dA_x + \int v \bullet dA_y$$