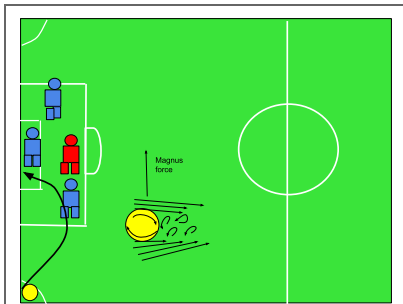


## 1.8. Fluid dynamics

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effect

**Witchcraft?**

⇒ Study **fluids in motion** and their effects



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## Types of Fluid Flow

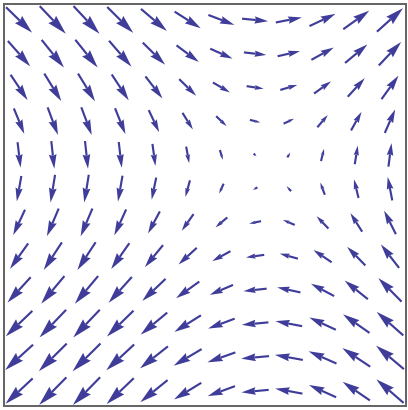
Fluid motion is described by a **velocity vector field**:

$$\vec{v}(x, y, z, t) = v_x(x, y, z, t) \hat{i} + v_y(x, y, z, t) \hat{j} + v_z(x, y, z, t) \hat{k}$$

→ Every point in the fluid has a local velocity vector that may **vary in space and time**

**Flow types:**

- Steady vs. Unsteady: **steady (stationary)** → velocity field does not change with time;  
**unsteady (time-dependent)** → velocity field evolves in time
- Laminar vs. Turbulent: **laminar** → smooth, ordered motion, no mixing of layers;  
**turbulent** → chaotic motion with eddies and fluctuations



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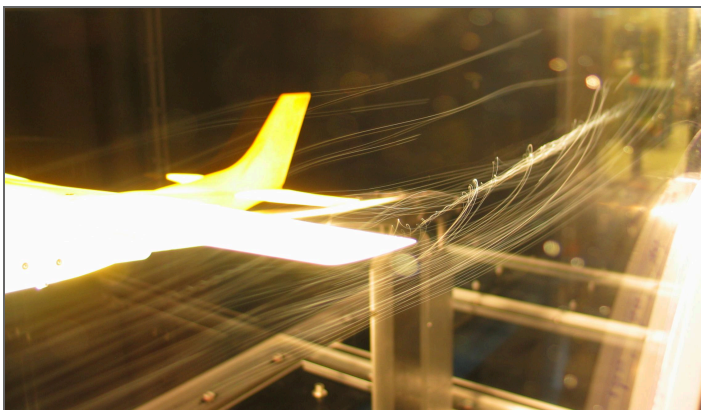
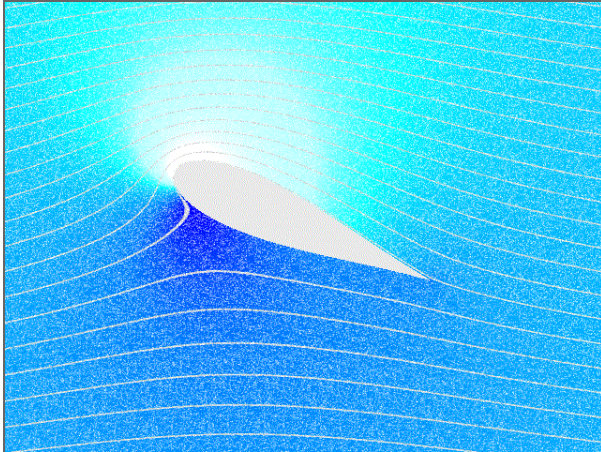
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# Streamlines

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A **streamline** is a curve everywhere **tangent** to the instantaneous velocity field:

- Streamlines never intersect.
- Dense spacing indicates higher speed.
- In **steady** flow, streamlines coincide with particle paths; in **unsteady** or turbulent flow, streamlines exist but change with time.



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## Volume & Mass Flow Rate

Given  $A$  the cross-sectional area,  $v$  the average speed, and  $\rho$  the density, we define:

### **Volume flow rate**

$$Q = \frac{dV}{dt} = Av$$

### **Mass flow rate**

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \rho \frac{dV}{dt} = \rho Av$$

$$\dot{m} = \rho Q$$

For **incompressible fluids** ( $\rho = \text{constant}$ )  $\rightarrow Q$  and  $\dot{m}$  **remain constant**

# Continuity Equation

**Mass conservation in steady flow requires**

$$\dot{m} = \rho A v = \text{constant}$$

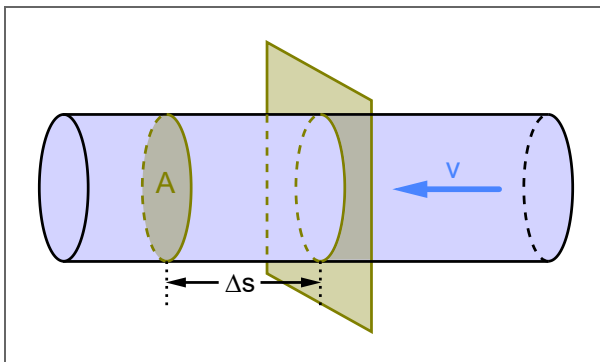
Between two cross-sections:

$$\rho_1 A_1 v_1 = \rho_2 A_2 v_2$$

For **incompressible flow** ( $\rho_1 = \rho_2$ ):

$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 = Q = \text{constant}$$

→ Narrow sections (small  $A$ ) → higher velocity



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# Bernoulli's Equation: Assumptions & Energy of a Fluid Element

## Assumptions

- Steady flow (no time dependence)
- Incompressible fluid ( $\rho = \text{const}$ )
- Non-viscous (no friction losses  $\rightarrow$  **energy conserved**)
- Motion along a streamline

## Energy of a small volume element ( $dV$ , $m = \rho dV$ )

- Kinetic energy:  $\frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 dV$
- Potential energy:  $\rho g h dV$
- Pressure energy (work done **on**  $dV$ ):  $P dV$



## Bernoulli's Equation: From Energy to Formula

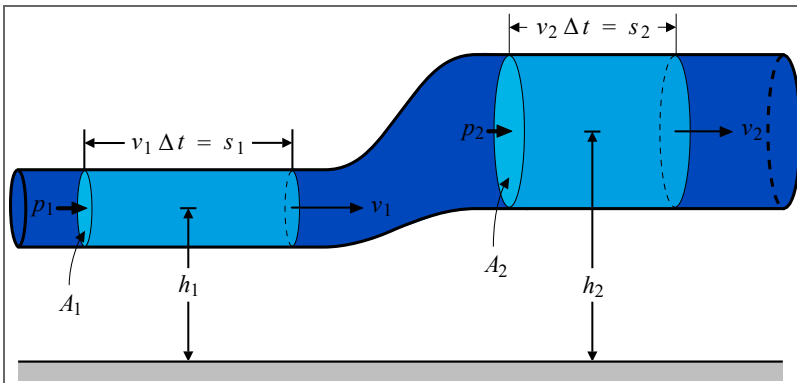
**Energy conservation** for volume element  $dV$  in an ideal fluid flow along a streamline:

Total mechanical energy per unit volume is constant:

$$P dV + \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 dV + \rho g h dV = \text{const.}$$

Divide by  $dV$  (incompressible  $\rightarrow dV$  constant) gives **Bernoulli's equation**:

$\underbrace{P}$	+	$\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \rho v^2}$	+	$\underbrace{\rho g h}$
pressure energy density		kinetic energy density		gravitational energy density



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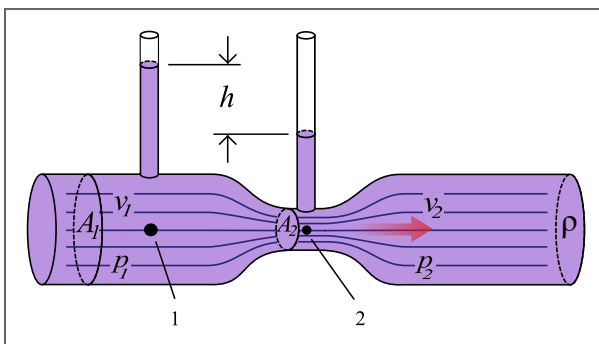
## Venturi Effect (Horizontal Flow)

### mf35 - Wasserstrahlpumpe

- Horizontal flow:  $h_1 = h_2$
- Bernoulli:  $P_1 + \frac{1}{2}\rho v_1^2 = P_2 + \frac{1}{2}\rho v_2^2$
- Continuity:  $A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 \rightarrow v_2 > v_1$  in constriction
- Pressure drop:

$$\Delta P = \frac{1}{2}\rho(v_2^2 - v_1^2)$$

- Narrow section  $\rightarrow$  higher speed  $\rightarrow$  lower pressure



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# Torricelli's Theorem (Efflux Speed)

## mf06 - Schweredruck vs. ausströmende Flüssigkeit

- Apply Bernoulli between the liquid surface and the hole:

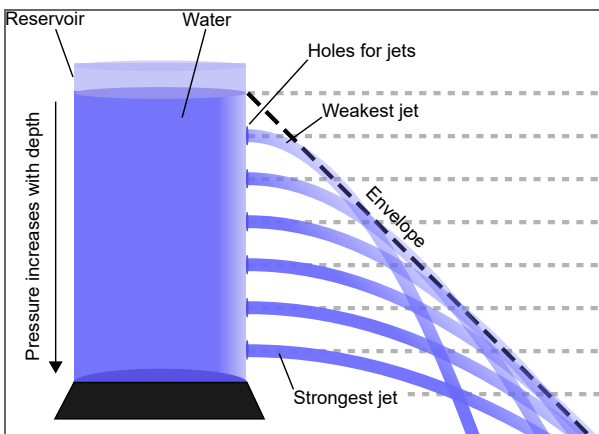
$$P_{\text{atm}} + \rho gh = P_{\text{atm}} + \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2$$

$$\rho gh = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2$$

- Efflux speed: **Speed of the outflowing jet equals the speed a body would acquire when falling freely through the height  $h$ .**

$$v = \sqrt{2gh}$$

*(Note:  $h$  is the height of liquid above the hole, not the height above ground.)*



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# Hydrodynamic Paradox

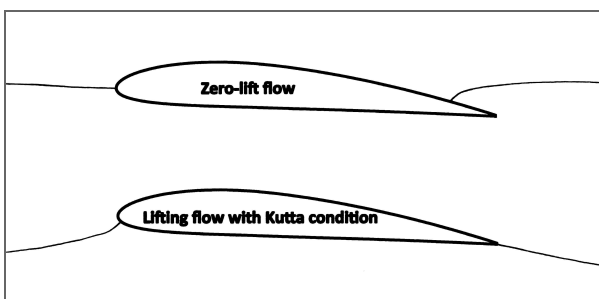
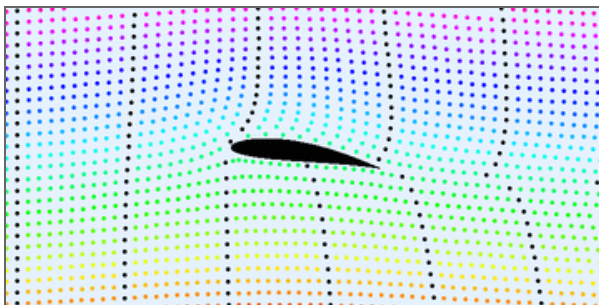
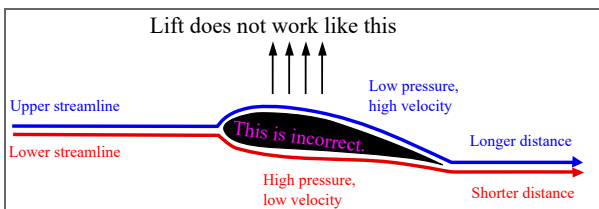
## mf30 - Hydrodynamisches Paradoxon

- Faster flow → lower pressure (Bernoulli).
- A fast jet can **pull** objects toward it instead of pushing them away.
- Thus, paper lifted toward a blowing stream, balls “sticking” in an air jet.

## Aside: Why Bernoulli Cannot Explain Lift

### mf42 - Stromlinien auf Velourpapier

- Bernoulli's "faster flow  $\rightarrow$  lower pressure  $\rightarrow$  lift" is **not** the full explanation
- Real lift requires viscosity & boundary layer, circulation (Kutta condition), asymmetric flow due to wing shape / angle of attack



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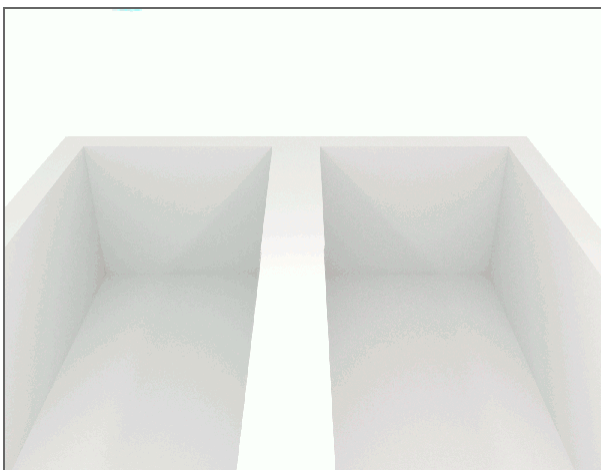
# Viscosity

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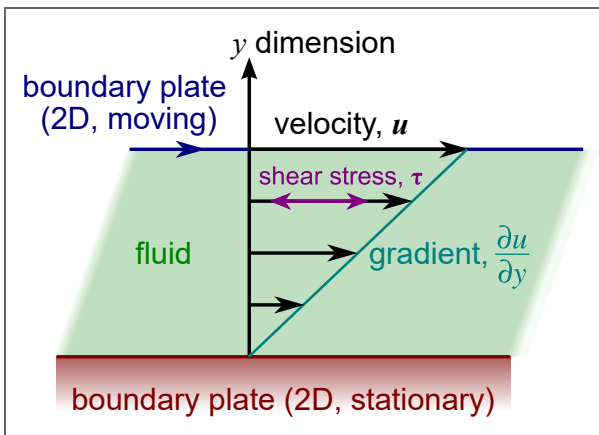
- Fluid between lower stationary plate and upper plate moving with  $v$  under tangential force  $F_{\parallel}$
- **Viscosity = internal friction** between fluid layers
- Shear stress is proportional to the velocity gradient:  $\frac{F_{\parallel}}{A} = \eta \frac{dv}{dy}$
- Required force to keep the plate moving:

$$F_{\parallel} = \eta A \frac{v}{d}$$

- Units of viscosity:  $[\eta] = \text{Pa} \cdot \text{s}$  (Poise:  $1 \text{ P} = 0.1 \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s}$ )







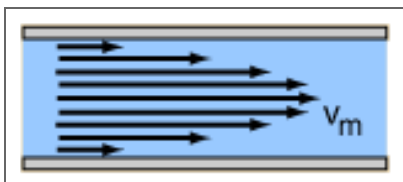
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## Parabolic Laminar Flow (Poiseuille flow)

- Tube wall is stationary → **no-slip condition**:  
 $v = 0$  at  $r = R$
- Fluid at the center moves fastest → velocity decreases toward the wall
- **Viscosity couples layers**: inner layers drag outer layers → smooth velocity variation
- Cylindrical geometry + viscous shear → **parabolic profile**

$$v(r) = v_{\max} \left( 1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right)$$



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## Poiseuille's Equation (1): Setup, Assumptions, and Pressure Force

- Steady, incompressible, Newtonian fluid flow in rigid cylindrical tube of radius  $R$
- **Viscosity causes energy loss  $\Rightarrow$  pressure must drop along the tube**

Pressure acts on the cross-section  $A_{\perp} = \pi r^2$  giving use the differential pressure force:

$$dF_P = -dP \pi r^2$$

Per unit length:

$$\frac{dF_P}{dx} = -\frac{dP}{dx} \pi r^2$$

Note:  $-\frac{dP}{dx} > 0$  because pressure decreases downstream

## Poiseuille's Equation (2): Viscous Force on the Cylindrical Shell

Viscous shear acts on the lateral surface

$$dA_{\parallel} = 2\pi r \cdot dx \text{ (circumference} \cdot \text{length)}$$

Differential viscous force:

$$dF_v = \eta dA_{\parallel} \frac{dv}{dr} = 2\pi r dx \eta \frac{dv}{dr}$$

Per unit length:

$$\frac{dF_v}{dx} = 2\pi r \eta \frac{dv}{dr}$$

## Poiseuille's Equation (3): Force Balance and Velocity Profile

Set pressure and viscous forces equal (steady flow):

$$-\frac{dP}{dx} \pi r^2 = 2\pi r \eta \frac{dv}{dr}$$

Solve for  $dv$  by integrating:

$$\int_{v(r)}^0 dv = -\frac{1}{2\eta} \frac{dP}{dx} \int_r^R r dr$$

$$v(r) = \frac{1}{4\eta} \frac{dP}{dx} (R^2 - r^2)$$

With constant pressure gradient  $\frac{dP}{dx} = -\frac{\Delta P}{L}$ , final velocity profile:

$$v(r) = \frac{\Delta P}{4\eta L} (R^2 - r^2)$$

## Poiseuille's Equation (4): Volume Flow Rate

Sum contributions from all concentric shells with area element  $dA = 2\pi r dr$ :

$$Q = \int_0^R v(r) dA = \int_0^R v(r) 2\pi r dr.$$

Insert  $v(r)$  give **Poiseuille's equation** for laminar flow through a circular tube:

$$Q = \frac{\pi R^4 \Delta P}{8\eta L}.$$

## Poiseuille's Equation (5): Demo

mf24 - Gesetz von Bernoulli und Hagen - Poiseuille

$$v(r) = \frac{\Delta P}{4\eta L} (R^2 - r^2)$$

$$Q = \frac{\pi R^4 \Delta P}{8\eta L}.$$

→ Poiseuille's equation links **pressure**, **radius**, **viscosity**, and **flow rate** in laminar flow.

→ Flow depends very strongly on tube radius  $\propto R^4$ .

→ Velocity profile is parabolic;  $v_{\max} = 2v_{\text{avg}}$ .

→ Viscosity causes linear pressure drop along the tube.

→ Breaks down for turbulent or non-Newtonian flow. **Application:** Blood flow regulation relies strongly on vessel diameter.

Reminder: Bernoulli's equation

$$P + \frac{1}{2}\rho v^2 + \rho gh = \text{constant}$$

## Navier–Stokes Equation: Motivation

- Real fluid flow can be **unsteady, accelerating,** or even **turbulent**
- Described by **incompressible Navier–Stokes equation:**

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \nu \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \vec{g}$$

- Instead of deriving it, we will **build intuition** using an **analogy from Prof. René Matzdorf**
- Imagine: **you are a person inside a dense moving crowd** → a small **fluid element** whose motion is influenced by surroundings.



## Navier–Stokes Equation: Local Acceleration

- You can change your own speed  $\Rightarrow$  **Velocity changes at a point because time passes, not because you moved elsewhere**

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t}$$

## Navier–Stokes Equation: Convection (Advection)

- Speed changes because you move into a region where the crowd flows differently
- Convective acceleration from spatial changes in the velocity field
- Nabla  $\nabla$  collects all spatial derivatives of a vector field

$$\nabla \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} \\ v_x \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} \\ v_x \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v}$  = how  $\vec{v}$  changes **in the direction of  $\vec{v}$**
  - **Change in velocity (i.e. acceleration) caused by moving through the flow**
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## Navier–Stokes Equation: Example of $(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla)\vec{v}$

- Example field  $\vec{v} = (x, 2y, 0)$
- Insert  $v_x = x, v_y = 2y, v_z = 0$  and all derivatives directly into the component formula

$$(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla)\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_x \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} \\ v_x \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \\ v_x \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \frac{\partial x}{\partial x} + 2y \frac{\partial x}{\partial y} + 0 \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \\ x \frac{\partial (2y)}{\partial x} + 2y \frac{\partial (2y)}{\partial y} + 0 \frac{\partial (2y)}{\partial z} \\ x \frac{\partial 0}{\partial x} + 2y \frac{\partial 0}{\partial y} + 0 \frac{\partial 0}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Evaluate derivatives

$$(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla)\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} x \cdot 1 + 2y \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 \\ x \cdot 0 + 2y \cdot 2 + 0 \cdot 0 \\ x \cdot 0 + 2y \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ 4y \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## Navier–Stokes Equation: Gravity

- Crowd pulled downhill on a slope
- **Gravity acts as a body force everywhere in the fluid**

$$\vec{g}$$

## Navier–Stokes Equation: Pressure Gradient

- Crowd denser on one side and looser on the other
- Net shove toward the emptier low-pressure region
- **Pressure force drives fluid from high to low pressure**
- $\nabla p$  uses the same spatial derivatives as before

$$-\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p$$

## Navier–Stokes Equation: Viscous Forces

- Shoulder-to-shoulder interactions pull or brake you  $\Rightarrow$  **Faster regions drag slower ones, slower regions resist faster ones**
- Laplacian detects where a component of  $\vec{v}$  is **higher or lower than its neighborhood**
- High relative values decrease, low relative values increase  $\Rightarrow$  momentum diffusion
- Viscous forces **smooth out** velocity differences  $\Rightarrow$  **viscous diffusion** term with  $\nu = \eta/\rho$  as the kinematic viscosity:

$$\nu \nabla^2 \vec{v}$$

- Laplacian of a vector field  $\vec{v} = (v_x, v_y, v_z)$  (each component uses the scalar Laplacian)

$$\nabla^2 \vec{v} = \left( \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_x}{\partial z^2}, \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_y}{\partial z^2}, \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

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## Navier–Stokes Equation: Summary

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t}}_{\text{local acceleration}} + \underbrace{(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v}}_{\text{convective acceleration}} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p}_{\text{pressure force}} + \underbrace{\mu \nabla^2 \vec{v}}_{\text{viscous diffusion}}$$

with incompressibility condition  $\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

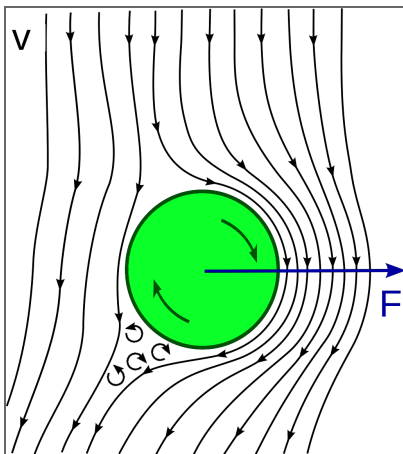
- **Local acceleration:** you change your own speed
  - **Convective acceleration:** you move into a region with a different flow
  - **Pressure force:** crowd pushes you from dense to less dense regions
  - **Viscous diffusion:** neighbors slow you down or pull you forward
  - **Gravity:** downhill pull on the whole crowd
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# Revisit initial experiment: The Magnus Effect



## mf23 - Magnus effect

- A spinning object **drags fluid** in its boundary layer (viscosity)
- One side: faster airflow → **lower pressure**
- Other side: slower airflow → **higher pressure**
- Pressure difference creates a **sideways force**
- Explains curved paths of spinning balls;  
**requires viscosity**

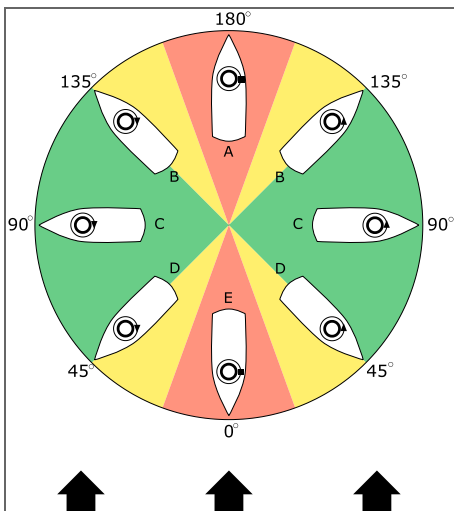
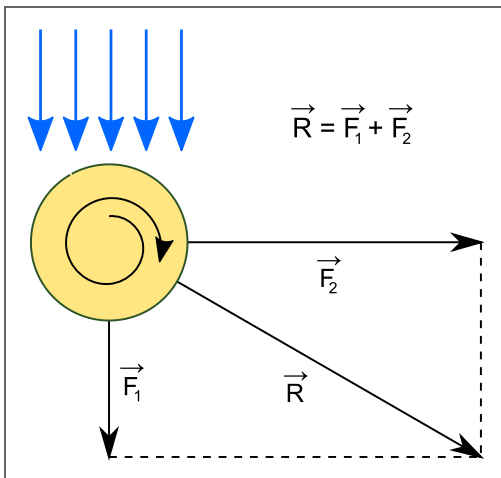
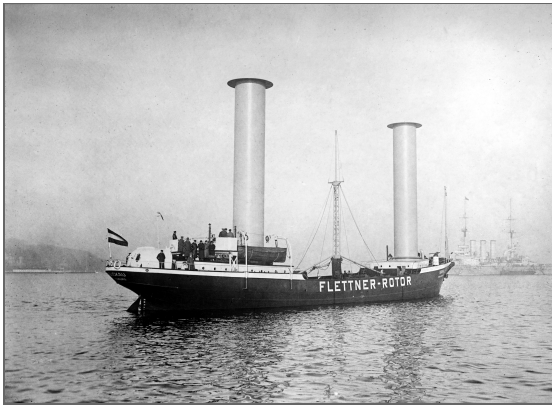


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# Magnus Effect in Action: Flettner Rotor

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