

ESO204A, Fluid Mechanics and rate Processes

## Laminar, incompressible, viscous flow: Exact Solutions

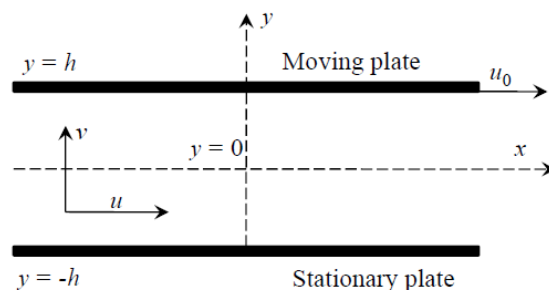
### Couette-Poiseuille flow

Chapter 4 of F M White  
Chapter 5 of Fox McDonald

### Couette-Poiseuille Flow

Laminar, incompressible, steady flow between two infinitely long parallel plates; **top plate moving steadily, bottom plate stationary**

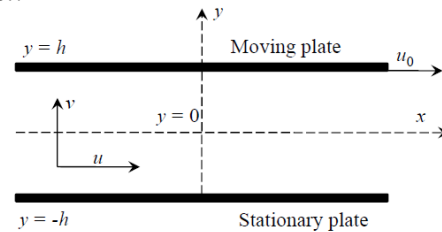
We continue to  
assume 2-D, fully  
developed flow



$$u = u(x, y), v = v(x, y), w = 0 \quad \frac{\partial \vec{u}}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \text{ may be non-zero}$$

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Now, our goal is to find three unknowns ( $u, v, p$ ) from continuity and momentum Equations



Applying continuity Eq.  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$

$$v = f(x) \quad \text{BC: } v(y=h) = 0$$

$$v = 0$$

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$$z\text{-mom: } \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = 0$$

$$y\text{-mom: } \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = p(x)$$

$$x\text{-mom: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \nu \left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) \quad \nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{dy^2} = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} = \text{constant}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 u}{dy^2} = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dy} = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} y + c_1 \Rightarrow u = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} \frac{y^2}{2} + c_1 y + c_2$$

No-slip BCs:  $u(x, y = h) = u_0$ ,  $u(x, y = -h) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow u = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2}\right) + \frac{u_0}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{h}\right)$$

$$u = u_1 \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2}\right) + u_0 \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{h}\right) \text{ where } u_1 = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu} \frac{dp}{dx}$$

$$\text{Couette flow : } u_1 = 0 \Rightarrow u = \frac{u_0}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{h}\right)$$

$$\text{Poiseuille flow : } u_0 = 0 \Rightarrow u = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2}\right)$$

**To find pressure , we use**

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = a \text{ (constant)}$$

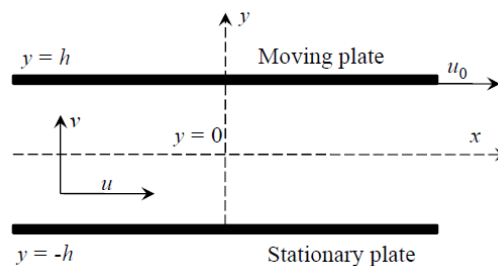
$$\Rightarrow p = ax + b$$

**Velocity field**

$$v = w = 0$$

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$$\frac{u}{u_0} = \frac{u_1}{u_0} \left(1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{h}\right) \quad \text{Nondimensional form}$$



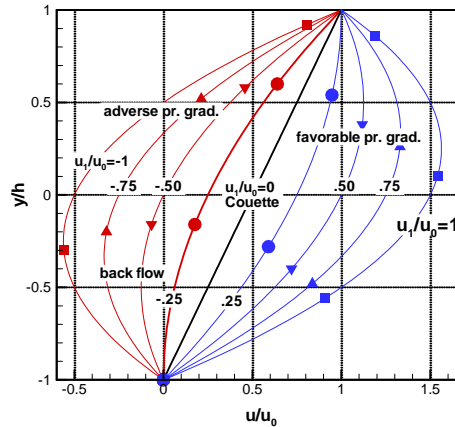
### Couette-Poiseuille Flow

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where  $\frac{u_1}{u_0} = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu u_0} \frac{dp}{dx}$

$$\frac{du}{dy} = -\frac{2y}{h^2} u_1 + \frac{1}{2h} u_0$$

$$\left[ \frac{du}{dy} \right]_{y=-h} = \frac{2}{h} \left( u_1 + \frac{u_0}{4} \right)$$



$$\left[ \frac{du}{dy} \right]_{y=-h} > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{u_1}{u_0} > -\frac{1}{4} \quad \left[ \frac{du}{dy} \right]_{y=-h} \leq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{u_1}{u_0} \leq -\frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{dp}{dx} \geq \frac{\mu u_0}{2h^2}$$

Adverse pr. grad. is a necessary, but not sufficient condition for backflow

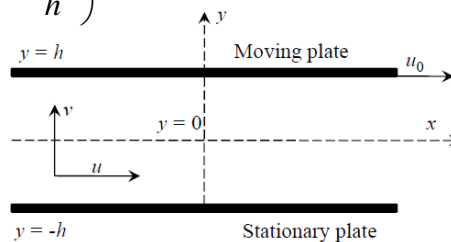
### Poiseuille Flow $u = u_1 \left( 1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2} \right)$

where  $u_1 = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu} \frac{dp}{dx}$

$$u_{av} = \frac{1}{2h} \int_{-h}^h u dy = \frac{1}{2h} \int_{-h}^h u_1 \left( 1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2} \right) dy = \frac{2}{3} u_1$$

$$\frac{du}{dy} = -\frac{2y}{h^2} u_1 = -\frac{3y}{h^2} u_{av} \Rightarrow \tau_w = \mu \left[ \frac{du}{dy} \right]_{y=-h} = \frac{3\mu u_{av}}{h}$$

$$\frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_{av}^2} = \frac{6\mu}{\rho u_{av} h} \Rightarrow C_f = \frac{6}{Re_h} \quad Po = C_f Re = 6$$



## Couette Flow

$$u = \frac{u_0}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{y}{h} \right) = u_{av} \left( 1 + \frac{y}{h} \right)$$

$$\tau_w = \mu \left[ \frac{du}{dy} \right]_{y=-h} = \frac{\mu u_0}{2h} = \frac{\mu u_{av}}{h}$$

$$\frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_{av}^2} = \frac{2\mu}{\rho u_{av} h} \quad C_f = \frac{2}{\text{Re}_h}$$

$$\text{Po} = C_f \text{Re} = 2$$

## Poiseuille Flow: Summary

$$u = u_1 \left( 1 - \frac{y^2}{h^2} \right)$$

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