

## Helmholtz's Theorems:

1.  $\Gamma = \text{const.}$  along vortex tubes
2. Vortex tube can't end in a fluid  
(extend to boundary or form <sup>closed</sup> ~~closed~~ loop)  
(inviscid flow)
3. irrot. fluid remains irrot. if no viscous forces or other external forces.

## Kelvin's Circulation Theorem:

$$\frac{D\Gamma}{Dt} = 0$$

$\Gamma$  - around a mat'l contour (follow a contour in space/time by tracking fluid motion)

- barotropic <sup>P-p</sup> relationship
- inviscid
- no nonconservative body forces - Coriolis

$$\Gamma = \oint u \cdot dl$$

$$\frac{D\Gamma}{Dt} = \oint \frac{Du}{Dt} \cdot ds + \oint u \cdot \frac{Dds}{Dt}$$

use K-S  
eqn. (no visc. term)

→ conv. to  
area integral

$$\int_A \underbrace{\left( \nabla \times \left( \frac{\nabla P}{\rho} + \nabla \Phi \right) \right)}_{=0} \cdot \hat{n} dA$$

body force

2nd Term:  $\frac{Dds}{Dt} = (\text{change of mat'l line element})$

$$= (ds \cdot \nabla) u$$

$$\text{so } \oint u \cdot \frac{Dds}{Dt} = \oint u \cdot (ds \cdot \nabla) u = \frac{1}{2} \oint \nabla(u^2) \cdot ds \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \int_A \nabla \times \nabla(u^2) \cdot dA$$

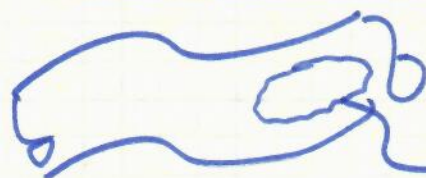
apply Stokes  
curl of grad. = 0

so  $\frac{D\Gamma}{Dt} = 0$

if viscous  $\frac{D\Gamma}{Dt} = \oint \nu \frac{du_i}{dx_i dx_j} ds$

Fluid in a moving vortex moves with the vortex

Why  $\Gamma$  const. along vortex tube



PATCH OF  
side wall of tube  
- over this area  $\Gamma = 0$   
since  $w_n = 0$

So any  $\Gamma$  inside tube can not be  
increased/decreased due to flux  
at the walls.

We know  $\nabla \cdot \omega = 0$  (vorticity is divergence free)

Divergence Theorem:  $\int_V \nabla \cdot \omega dV = \int_A \omega \cdot dA = 0$   
A surrounds V



$\omega \cdot dA = 0$  on outside surface area  
Left with  $A_1, A_2$  and  $\omega_1 A_1 = \omega_2 A_2$

The magnitude of the  
"intensity" of the vorticity remains constant

Why vortex tubes can not end in the middle  
of a fluid:

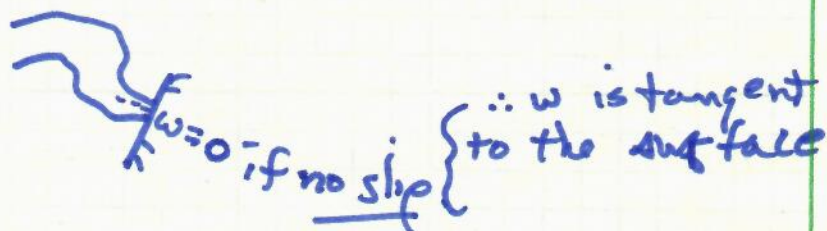




Can Vortex tube end on a boundary?

FLUX of Vorticity thru any  $A_x$  is constant  
 $\Gamma \rightarrow$  "intensity":

if ends on solid boundaries:



BUT if there is slip then we  
can have finite  $w_z$ .

∴ 1. NO-slip condition: Vortex tubes can not  
end on surface

2. For inviscid flows vortex tubes can  
end on surface.