

SCALE ANALYSIS OF LAMINAR BOUNDARY LAYER

OBJECTIVES OF THIS LECTURE

- Write all the general governing equations in Cartesian coordinates
 - Conservation of mass
 - Conservation of momentum
 - Conservation of energy
- State the outcomes of these equations for an engineer
- Reduce the general equations for two dimensional, steady, incompressible flow
- Scale analysis of momentum equation to get
 - Hydrodynamic boundary layer thickness and skin friction coefficient
- Scale analysis of energy equation for $Pr \ll 1$ and $Pr \gg 1$ to get
 - Thermal boundary layer thickness and Nusselt number
- Extend the discussion for $Pr = 1$
- Summarise the results and get the feel of all parameters estimated

GOVERNING EQUATIONS IN CARTESIAN COORDINATES

Conservation of mass

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \rho(\nabla \cdot \vec{V}) = 0 ; \left[\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial z} \right] + \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = 0$$

Conservation of momentum

$$\rho \frac{Du}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_x$$

$$\rho \frac{Dv}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_y$$

$$\rho \frac{Dw}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_z$$

Conservation of energy

$$\rho C_p \frac{DT}{Dt} = k \left[\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{DP}{Dt} + \phi$$

GOVERNING EQUATIONS IN CARTESIAN COORDINATES

Conservation of momentum

$$\rho \frac{Du}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_x$$

Inertia
forces

Pressure
forces

Viscous
forces

Body
forces

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

GOVERNING EQUATIONS IN CARTESIAN COORDINATES

Conservation of energy

$$\rho C_p \frac{DT}{Dt} = k \left[\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{DP}{Dt} + \emptyset$$

Convection

Conduction

Pressure
work

Viscous
Dissipation

$$\frac{DT}{Dt} = \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial T}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{DP}{Dt} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial P}{\partial z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \emptyset = 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)^2 + 2\mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right)^2 - \frac{2}{3}\mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right)^2 + \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 \\ + \mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right)^2 + \mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

OUTCOMES OF THE GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Mass and momentum equations

Solve these equations to get

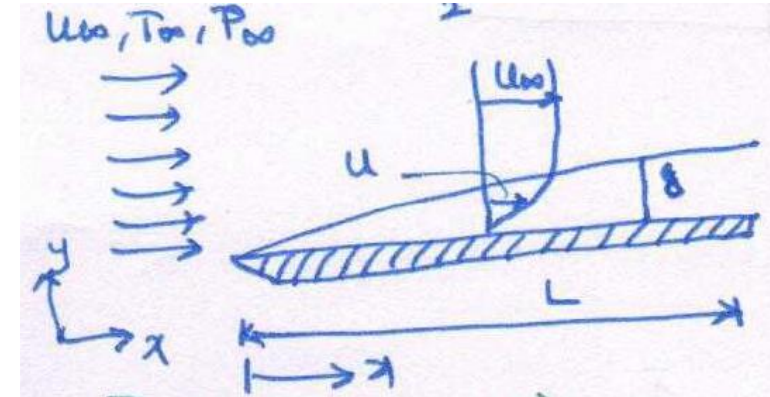
u, v, w and P

δ, C_f

δ – Hydrodynamic boundary layer thickness

C_f - Skin friction coefficient
(Engineering necessity)

$C_f = f(Re)$ - dimensional similarity



$$C_f = \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_{\infty}^2}$$

τ_w – Wall Shear Stress
 ρ – Density of the fluid
 u_{∞} – Free Stream Velocity

Net force exerted by the stream on the plate

$$F = \int_0^L \tau_w W dx$$

W – Width of the flat Plate

OUTCOMES OF THE GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Energy equation

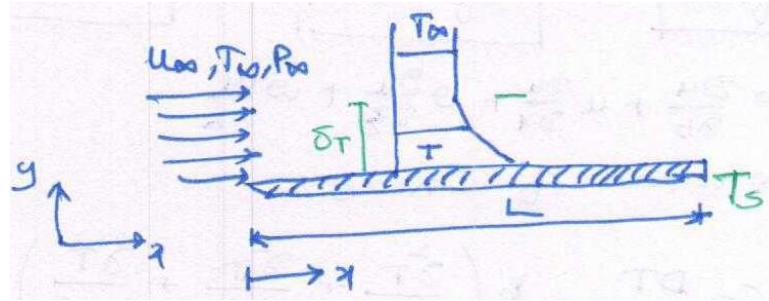
Solve this equation using u , v , w and P to get

T

δ_T, Nu

δ_T – Thermal boundary layer thickness

Nu – Nusselt number
(Engineering necessity)



$$Nu = \frac{hL}{k_f}$$

h – heat transfer coefficient

L – Length of the Plate

k_f – Thermal conductivity of the fluid

T_s – Surface temperature of the Plate

T_∞ – Free stream temperature

$$h = \frac{-k_f \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}}{(T_s - T_\infty)}$$

Resistance to the transfer of heat from the plate to the stream

$$\dot{Q} = h(LW)(T_s - T_\infty)$$

W – Width of the flat Plate

$Nu = f(Re, Pr)$ - dimensional similarity

LAMINAR BOUNDARY LAYER OVER A TWO DIMENSIONAL BODY

ASSUMPTIONS

- Properties are constant (k, ρ, C_p, μ)
- Flow is compressible (density does not vary with time and space)
- Flow is steady
- Laminar flow

Flow happens to be two dimensional when flow over a long flat plate is considered. Boundary layer thickness varies only with length but not with width

REDUCTION OF GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Conservation of mass

Incompressible flow - Density
is constant and uniform

No, w
z does not exist

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \rho(\nabla \cdot \vec{V}) = 0 ; \left[\cancel{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + u \cancel{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x}} + v \cancel{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial y}} + w \cancel{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial z}}} \right] + \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \cancel{\frac{\partial w}{\partial z}} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

REDUCTION OF GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Conservation of momentum – x direction

$$\rho \frac{Du}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_x$$

Zero, by continuity

$$\rho \left[\cancel{\frac{\partial u}{\partial t}} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \cancel{\frac{\partial u}{\partial z}} \right] = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \cancel{\frac{\partial w}{\partial z}} \right) \right] + \cancel{f_x}$$

Steady
flow

No, w

No, z

No body
force

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

REDUCTION OF GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Conservation of momentum – y direction

$$\rho \frac{Dv}{Dt} = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \right] + f_y$$

Zero, by continuity

$$\rho \left[\cancel{\frac{\partial v}{\partial t}} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \cancel{\frac{\partial v}{\partial z}} \right] = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \mu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2}} \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{\mu}{3} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \cancel{\frac{\partial w}{\partial z}} \right) \right] + \cancel{f_y}$$

Steady
flow

No, w

No, z

No body
force

$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

Conservation of momentum – z direction – does not exist because two dimensional flow

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REDUCTION OF GOVERNING EQUATIONS

Conservation of energy

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Zero for subsonic flow

$$\rho C_p \left[\cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}} + u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + w \cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial z}} \right] = k \left[\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}} \right] + \cancel{\frac{DP}{Dt}} + \cancel{\emptyset}$$

Steady
flow

No w and z direction

No z direction

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \left[\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

GOVERNING EQUATIONS FOR FLOW OVER A TWO DIMENSIONAL BODY

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$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \left[\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{No slip } u = 0 \\ \text{Impermeability } v = 0 \\ \text{Wall temperature } T = T_s \end{array} \right\} \text{ at solid wall (y = 0)}$$

At Infinitely far from solid in both x and y directions

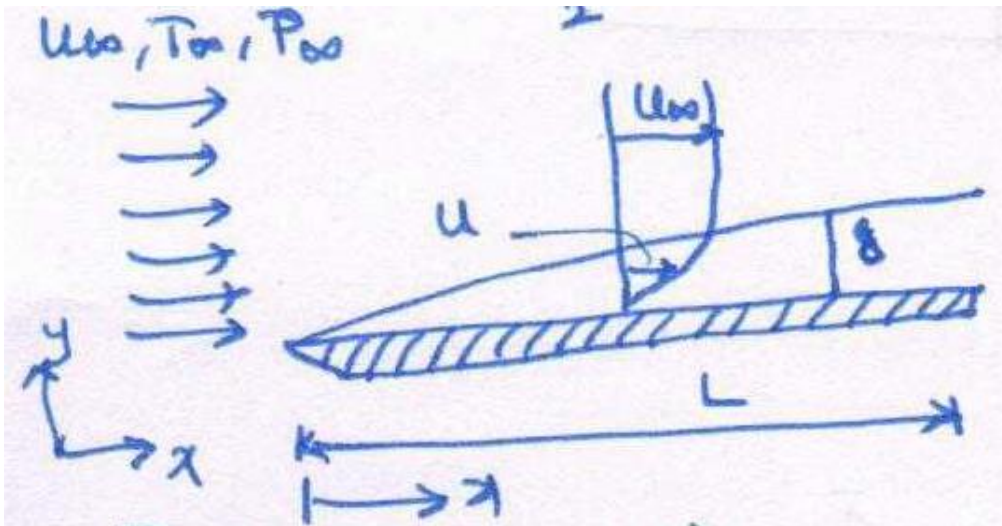
- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Uniform flow } u = u_\infty \\ \text{Uniform flow } v = 0 \\ \text{Uniform temperature } T = T_\infty \end{array} \right\}$$

SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF MASS AND MOMENTUM EQUATIONS FOR FLOW OVER A FLAT PLATE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

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Mass and momentum equations

Solve these equations to get

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SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF MASS AND MOMENTUM EQUATIONS

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &\sim u_{\infty} \text{ (m/s)} \\ x &\sim L \text{ (m)} \\ y &\sim \delta \text{ (mm)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}}{L} \sim \frac{v}{\delta}$$

$$v \sim \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \quad (1)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$u_{\infty} \frac{u_{\infty}}{L}, \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, \cancel{\nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{L^2}}, \nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2}$$

$$\nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{L^2} \ll \nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2}$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2}{L} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, \nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2} \quad (2)$$

$$u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$u_{\infty} \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \frac{1}{L}, \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \frac{1}{\delta} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \nu \frac{v}{L^2}, \nu \frac{v}{\delta^2}$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2 \delta}{L^2} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \nu \frac{v}{\delta^2}$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2 \delta}{L^2} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \nu \frac{1}{\delta^2} \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L}$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2 \delta}{L^2} \sim -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \frac{\nu u_{\infty}}{\delta L} \quad (3)$$

SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF MASS AND MOMENTUM EQUATIONS

$$dp = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} dy$$

$$\frac{dP}{dx} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx}$$

$$1 = \frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}}{\frac{dP}{dx}} + \frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx}}{\frac{dP}{dx}} \quad (4) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2 \delta}{L^2} \sim - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \frac{v u_{\infty}}{\delta L} \quad (3)$$

P is not a function of y

$$\frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dx}}{\frac{dP}{dx}} \sim \frac{\frac{\mu u_{\infty}}{\delta L} \frac{\delta}{L}}{\frac{\mu u_{\infty}}{\delta^2}} \sim \left(\frac{\delta}{L} \right)^2$$

Negligibly small

$$1 = \frac{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}}{\frac{dP}{dx}} \Rightarrow P = f(x) \text{ only but not } y$$

$$v \sim \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2}{L} \sim - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, v \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2 \delta}{L^2} \sim - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}, \frac{v u_{\infty}}{\delta L} \quad (3)$$

Hence, y – momentum equation may be neglected

SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF MASS AND MOMENTUM EQUATIONS FOR FLOW OVER A FLAT PLATE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dx} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

This $\frac{dP_{\infty}}{dx}$ is impressed upon the boundary layer, hence, $\frac{dP}{dx} = 0$

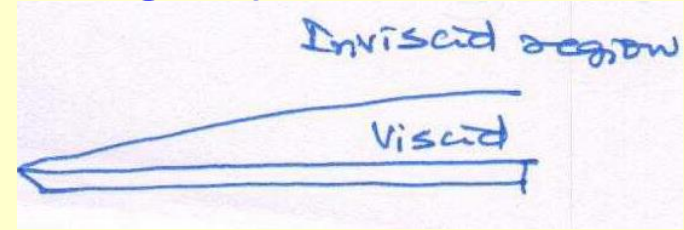
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

To show that $\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dx} = 0$ for flow over a flat plate

Flow can be divided into two domains

- Viscid region (boundary layer region)
- Inviscid region



In the inviscid region,

$u_{\infty} = \text{constant}$ does not vary with x

$v = 0$ and $\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$

Reducing the x -momentum equation for inviscid region

$$u_{\infty} \frac{du_{\infty}}{dx} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP_{\infty}}{dx} + \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{dP_{\infty}}{dx} = 0$$

SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF MASS AND MOMENTUM EQUATIONS FOR FLOW OVER A FLAT PLATE

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$v \sim \frac{u_{\infty} \delta}{L} \quad - \quad (1)$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2}{L} \sim - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}, \quad \nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2} \quad - \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{u_{\infty}^2}{L} \sim \nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta^2}{L} \sim \frac{\nu}{u_{\infty}}$$

$$\frac{\delta^2}{L^2} \sim \frac{\nu}{u_{\infty} L}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{L} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$Re_L = \frac{u_{\infty} L}{\nu}$$

$$C_{fx} = \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_{\infty}^2}$$

$$C_{fx} \sim \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_{\infty}^2} \sim \frac{\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}{\rho u_{\infty}^2} \sim \frac{\nu \frac{u_{\infty}}{\delta}}{u_{\infty}^2} \sim \frac{\nu}{u_{\infty} \delta} \sim \frac{\nu}{u_{\infty} L} \frac{L}{\delta} \sim Re_L^{-1} Re_L^{\frac{1}{2}} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

τ_w – Wall Shear Stress
 ρ – Density of the fluid
 u_{∞} – Free Stream Velocity

$$C_{fx} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

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$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]$$

$$C_{fx} = \frac{\tau_w}{\frac{1}{2} \rho u_\infty^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{L} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$Re_L = \frac{u_\infty L}{\nu}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{L} = 4.92 Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$C_{fx} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$C_{fx} = 0.664 Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$\delta \sim L^{\frac{1}{2}}$ – Boundary layer thickness increases with the increase in the length
 C_{fx} – decreases with the increase in the Reynolds number because inertia forces dominate over viscous forces

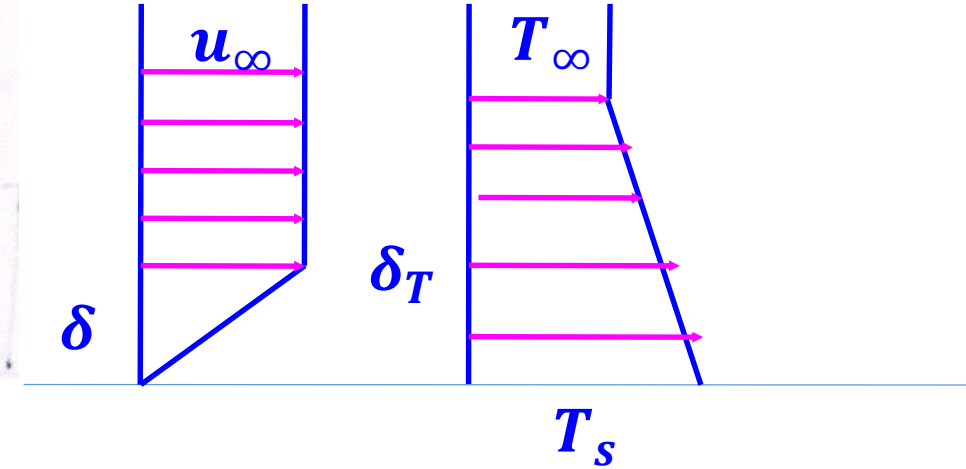
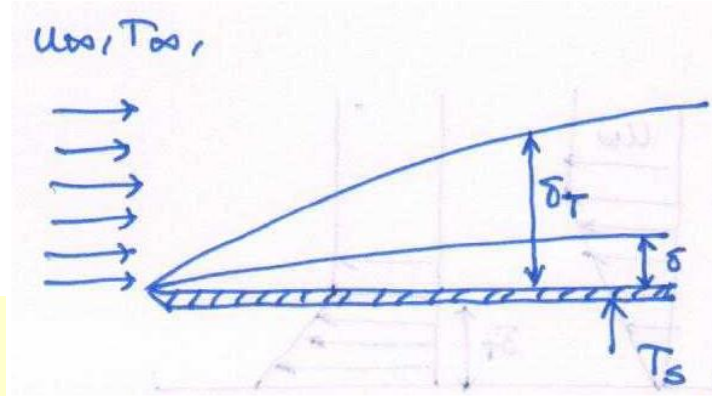
$$Re = \frac{\text{Inertia Force}}{\text{Viscous Force}} \sim \frac{u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}}{\nu \left[\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right]} \sim \frac{\frac{u_\infty^2}{L}}{\nu \left[\frac{u_\infty}{L^2} \right]} \sim \frac{u_\infty L}{\nu}$$

SCALE ANALYSIS (ORDER OF MAGNITUDE ANALYSIS) OF ENERGY EQUATION FOR FLOW OVER A FLAT PLATE

$Pr \ll 1$ (Liquid Metals – Na, Hg) THICK THERMAL BOUNDARY LAYER

$$Pr \ll 1 \Rightarrow \nu \ll \alpha \Rightarrow \delta \ll \delta_T$$

$$Pr = \frac{\nu}{\alpha}$$



$$u_\infty \frac{\Delta T}{L}, u_\infty \frac{\delta \Delta T}{L \delta_T} \sim \alpha \frac{\Delta T}{L^2}, \alpha \frac{\Delta T}{\delta_T^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta_T} \ll 1$$

Negligibly small

As $\delta \ll \delta_T \Rightarrow u$ is u_∞ within the thermal Boundary layer thickness

$$u_\infty \frac{\Delta T}{L} \sim \alpha \frac{\Delta T}{\delta_T^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta_T^2}{L} \sim \frac{\alpha}{u_\infty}$$

$$\frac{\delta_T^2}{L^2} \sim \frac{\nu}{u_\infty L} \frac{\alpha}{\nu}$$

$$\left(\frac{\delta_T}{L} \right)^2 \sim \frac{1}{Re_L} \frac{1}{Pr}$$

$$\frac{\delta_T}{L} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}} Pr^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

TYPICAL RANGES OF PRANDTL NUMBERS FOR COMMON FLUIDS

Fluid	Pr
Liquid Metals	0.004 – 0.03
Gases	0.7 – 1.0
Water	1.7 – 13.7
Light organic fluids	5 – 50
Oils	50 – 100,000
Glycerin	2000 – 1,00,000

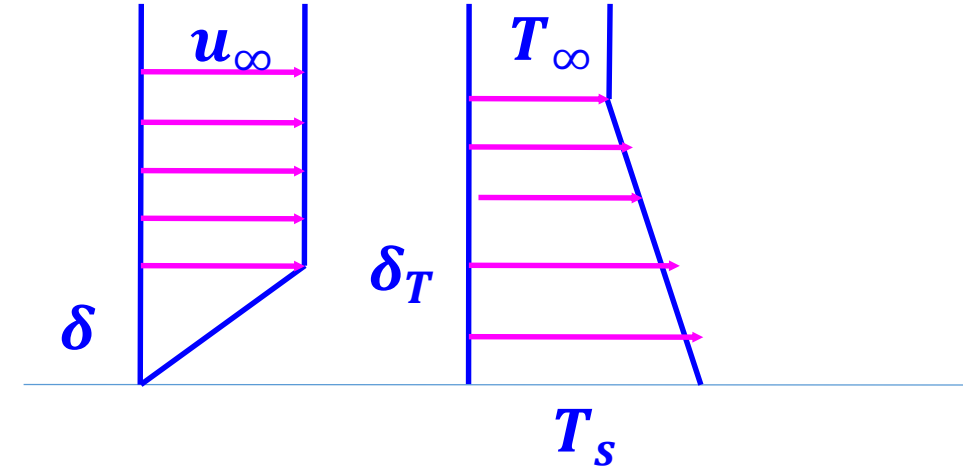
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$Pr \ll 1$ (Liquid Metals – Na, Hg) THICK THERMAL BOUNDARY LAYER

$$Pr = \frac{\nu}{\alpha}$$

$$Pr \ll 1 \Rightarrow \nu \ll \alpha \Rightarrow \delta \ll \delta_T$$

$$\frac{\delta_T}{L} \sim Re_L^{-\frac{1}{2}} Pr^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$



$$Nu = \frac{hL}{k_f} = \frac{-\frac{k_f}{T_s - T_\infty} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} L}{k_f} \sim \frac{1}{\Delta T} \frac{\Delta T}{\delta_T} L \sim \frac{L}{\delta_T} \sim \left(\frac{\delta_T}{L} \right)^{-1}$$

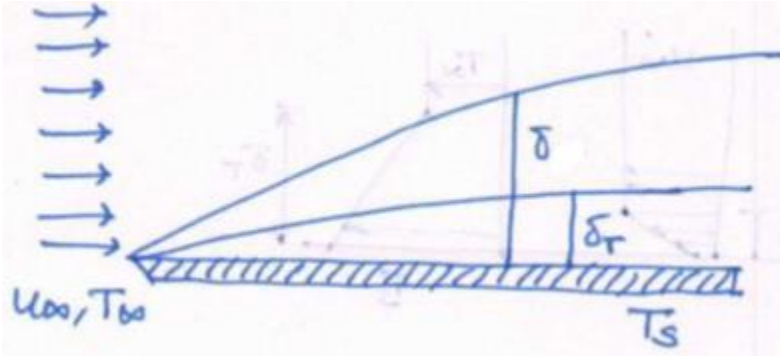
$$Nu \sim Re_L^{\frac{1}{2}} Pr^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$\delta_T \sim L^{\frac{1}{2}}$ – Thermal Boundary layer thickness increases with the increase of L

Nusselt number increases with the increase in the Reynolds number

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As $\delta \gg \delta_T \Rightarrow u$ is not u_∞

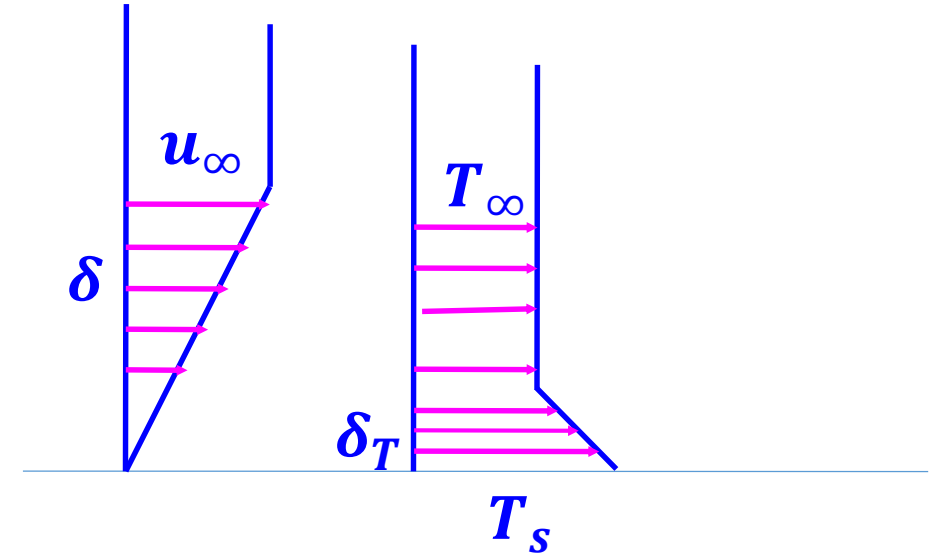
Assume velocity distribution within the hydrodynamic Boundary layer to be linear

$$u = my + C$$

$$u = 0 \text{ at } y = 0 \Rightarrow C = 0$$

$$u = u_\infty \text{ at } y = \delta \Rightarrow u_\infty = m\delta \Rightarrow m = \frac{u_\infty}{\delta}$$

$$\text{Velocity at } y = \delta_T \quad u = \frac{u_\infty}{\delta} \delta_T$$



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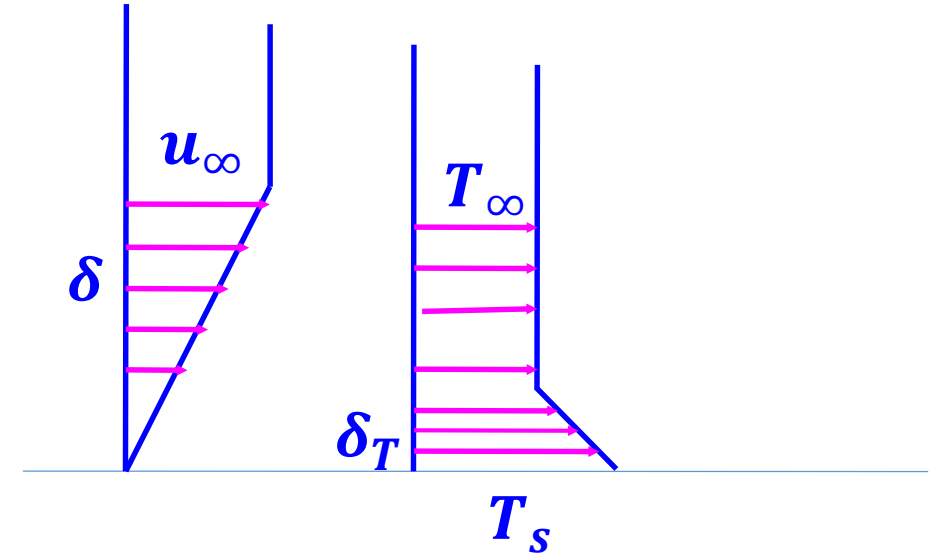
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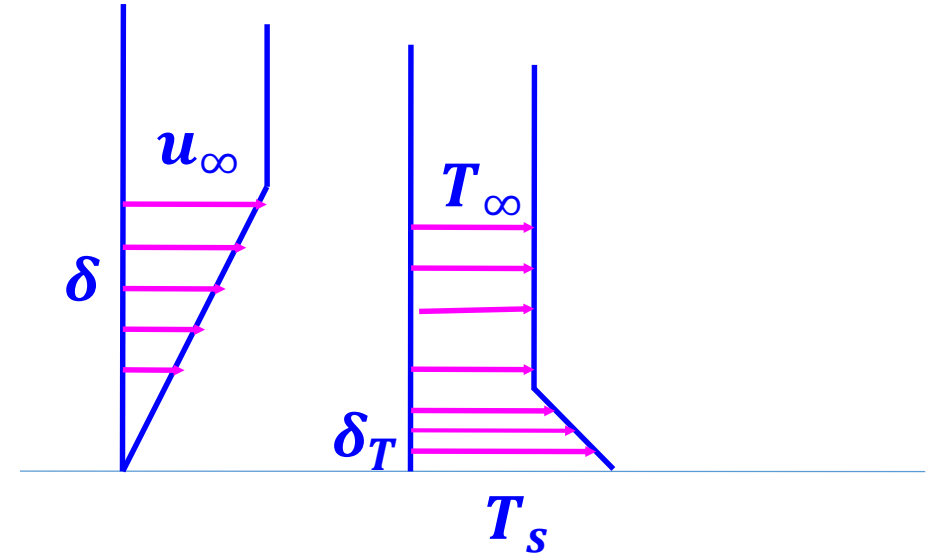
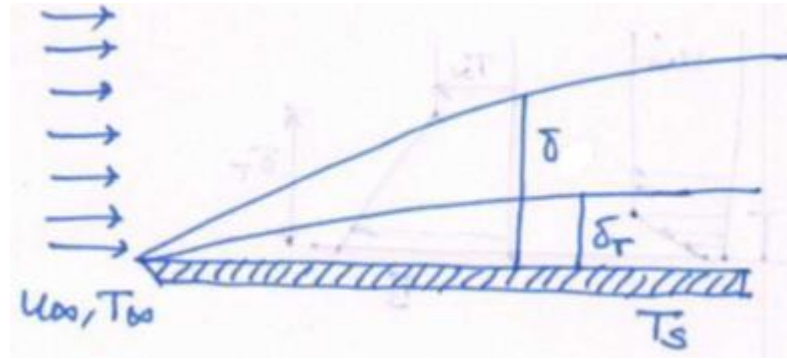
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$$L = 1 \text{ m}$$

$$\frac{\delta}{L} = \frac{4.92}{\sqrt{Re_L}} \Rightarrow \frac{\delta}{1000} = \frac{4.92}{100} \Rightarrow \delta = 4.92 \text{ mm}$$

$$Pr \ll 1 \Rightarrow Pr = (0.1)^2 = 0.01$$

$$\frac{\delta_T}{L} = \frac{1.77}{\sqrt{Re_L} \sqrt{Pr}} \Rightarrow \frac{\delta_T}{1000} = \frac{1.77}{100 \times 0.1} \Rightarrow \delta_T = 177 \text{ mm}$$

$$Pr \gg 1 \Rightarrow Pr = (100)^3 = 1000000$$

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NONDIMENSIONALIZED CONVECTION AND SIMILARITY

When viscous dissipation is negligible, the continuity, momentum, and energy equations for steady incompressible, laminar flow of a fluid with constant properties

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

$$\rho C_p \left(u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

With the boundary conditions

$$x = 0 \quad u(0, y) = u_\infty \quad T(0, y) = T_\infty$$

$$y = 0 \quad u(x, 0) = 0 \quad T(x, 0) = T_s$$

$$y \rightarrow \infty \quad u(x, \infty) = u_\infty \quad T(x, \infty) = T_\infty$$

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L}, \quad y^* = \frac{y}{L}, \quad u^* = \frac{u}{u_\infty}, \quad v^* = \frac{v}{u_\infty}, \quad P^* = \frac{P}{\rho u_\infty^2}, \quad T^* = \frac{T - T_s}{T_\infty - T_s}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$\frac{u_\infty}{L} \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + \frac{u_\infty}{L} \frac{\partial v^*}{\partial y^*} = 0$$

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$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \mu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

$$\frac{\rho u_\infty^2}{L} \left(u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} \right) = \mu \frac{u_\infty}{L^2} \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}} - \frac{\rho u_\infty^2}{L} \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*}$$

$$u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} = \frac{L}{\rho u_\infty^2} \mu \frac{u_\infty}{L^2} \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}} - \frac{L}{\rho u_\infty^2} \frac{\rho u_\infty^2}{L} \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*}$$

$$Re_L = \frac{\rho u_\infty L}{\mu}$$

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$$\rho C_p \left(u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$\rho C_p \frac{u_\infty (T_\infty - T_s)}{L} \left(u^* \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right) = k \frac{(T_\infty - T_s)}{L^2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 T^*}{\partial x^{*2}} + \frac{\partial^2 T^*}{\partial y^{*2}} \right)$$

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$$Re_L = \frac{\rho u_\infty L}{\mu}$$

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$$Pr = \frac{\mu}{c_p k}$$

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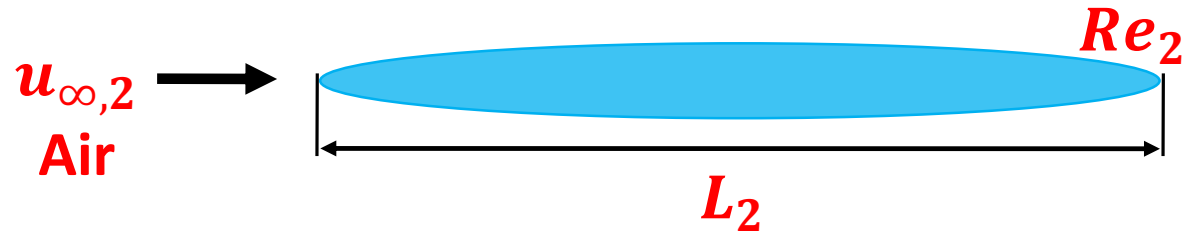
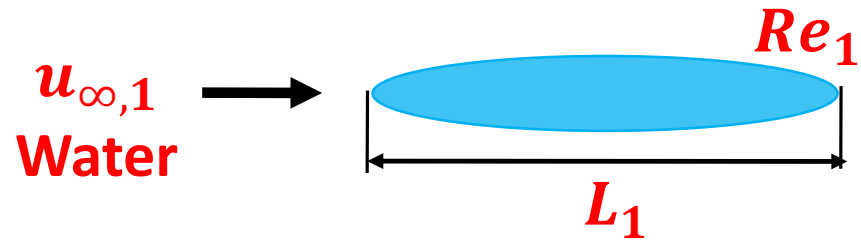
$$x^* = 0 \quad u^*(0, y^*) = 1 \quad T^*(0, y^*) = 1$$

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Parameters before nondimensionalizing

$$L, u_{\infty}, T_{\infty}, \mu, \rho, k, C_p$$

$$Re_1 = Re_2$$

$$Pr_1 = Pr_2$$

$$C_{f,1} = C_{f,2}$$

$$Nu_1 = Nu_2$$

Parameters after nondimensionalizing

$$Re, Pr$$

The number of parameters is reduced greatly by non-dimensionalising the convection equations

For a given geometry, the solution for u^* can be expressed as

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L}, \quad y^* = \frac{y}{L}, \quad u^* = \frac{u}{u_\infty}$$

$$u^* = f_1(x^*, y^*, Re_L)$$

$$\tau_s = \mu \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0} = \frac{\mu u_\infty}{L} \left. \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0} = \frac{\mu u_\infty}{L} f_2(x^*, Re_L)$$

$$C_{f,x} = \frac{\tau_s}{\frac{\rho u_\infty^2}{2}} = \frac{\frac{\mu u_\infty}{L}}{\frac{\rho u_\infty^2}{2}} f_2(x^*, Re_L) = \frac{2}{Re_L} f_3(x^*, Re_L)$$

$$C_{f,x} = \phi(x^*, Re_L)$$

Friction coefficient for a given geometry can be expressed in terms of the Reynolds number Re_L and the dimensionless space variable x^* alone (instead of being expressed in terms of x, L, u_∞, ρ and μ).

This is a very significant finding, and shows the value of nondimensionalized equations.

Dimensionless temperature T^* for a given geometry

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L}, \quad y^* = \frac{y}{L}, \quad u^* = \frac{u}{u_\infty}, \quad T^* = \frac{T - T_s}{T_\infty - T_s}$$

$$T^* = g(x^*, y^*, Re_L, Pr)$$

$$h = \frac{-k \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty} = \frac{-k(T_\infty - T_s) \left. \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0}}{(T_s - T_\infty)L} = \frac{k}{L} \left. \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0}$$

$$Nu = \frac{hL}{k} = \left. \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0} = g_2(x^*, Re_L, Pr)$$

Note that the Nusselt number is equivalent to the dimensionless temperature gradient at the surface, and thus it is properly referred to as the dimensionless heat transfer coefficient

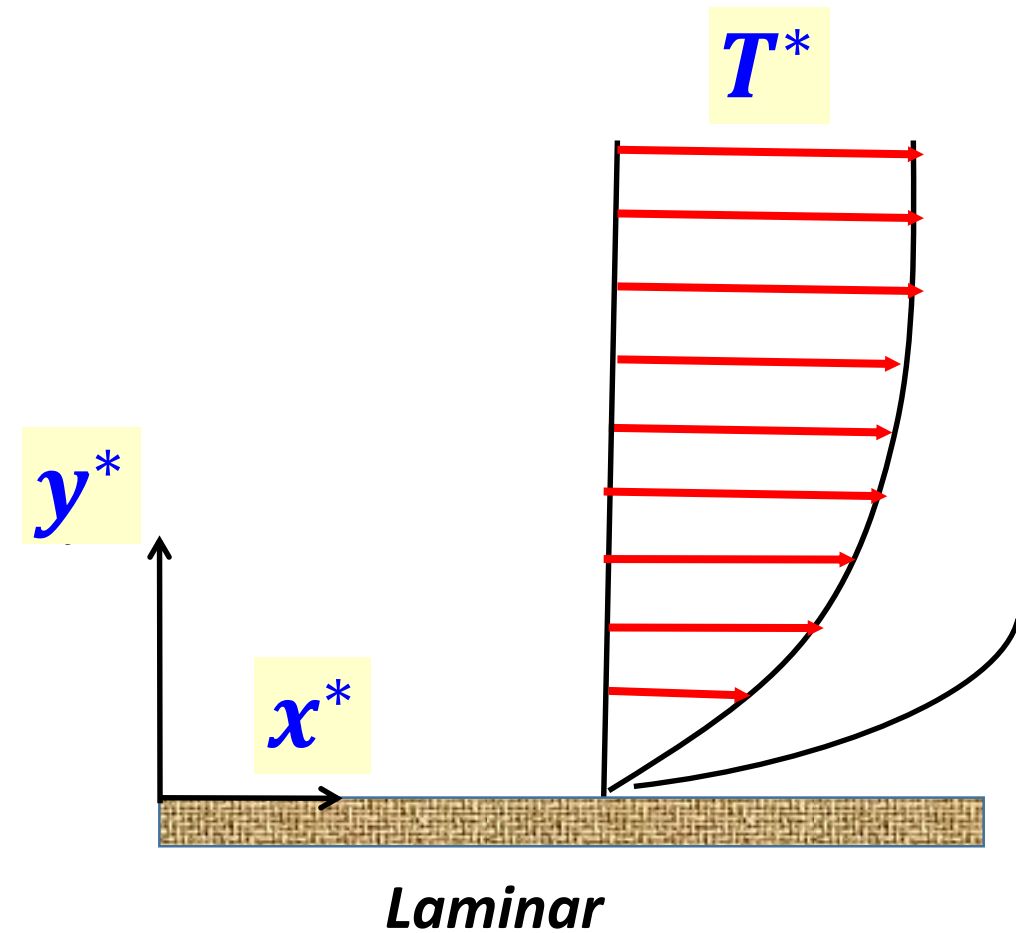
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Local Nusselt number $Nu_x = g_2(x^*, Re_L, Pr)$
Average Nusselt number $Nu_L = g_3(Re_L, Pr)$

$$\left. \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0} = Nu$$

$$Nu = C Re_L^m Pr^n$$

A common form of Nusselt number:



ANALOGIES BETWEEN MOMENTUM AND HEAT TRANSFER

REYNOLDS ANALOGY $Pr = 1$

$$u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} = \frac{1}{Re_L} \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}}$$

No pressure
gradient

$$u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} = \frac{1}{Re_L} \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}} - \frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*}$$

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$$C_{f,x} = \frac{2}{Re_L} f_3(x^*, Re_L)$$

$$Nu_x = g_2(x^*, Re_L, Pr) \quad Pr = 1 \quad f_3(x^*, Re_L) = g_2(x^*, Re_L, Pr)$$

$$Nu_x = C_{f,x} \frac{Re_L}{2} \quad \text{REYNOLDS ANALOGY}$$

$$St = \frac{h}{\rho C_p u_\infty} = \frac{Nu_x}{Re_L Pr}$$

$$Nu_x = C_{f,x} \frac{Re_L}{2} \quad \frac{Nu_x}{Re_L Pr} = \frac{C_{f,x}}{2} \quad Pr = 1$$

$$St_x = \frac{C_{f,x}}{2}$$

CHILTON-COLBOURN ANALOGY

Laminar flow over a flat plate

$$C_{f,x} = 0.664 Re_x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$Nu_x = 0.332 Re_x^{\frac{1}{2}} Pr^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$\frac{C_{f,x}}{Nu_x} = \frac{0.664 Re_x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{0.332 Re_x^{\frac{1}{2}} Pr^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\frac{C_{f,x}}{2} = \frac{Nu_x}{Re_x Pr^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\frac{C_{f,x}}{2} = \frac{Nu_x}{Re_x Pr} \frac{Pr}{Pr^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$\frac{C_{f,x}}{2} = St_x Pr^{\frac{2}{3}} = j_H$$

For $0.6 < Pr < 60$, j_H is called the **Colburn j-factor**.

Although this relation is developed using relations for laminar flow over a flat plate (for which $\frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*} = 0$), experimental studies show that it is also applicable approximately for turbulent flow over a surface, even in the presence of pressure gradients.

For laminar flow, however, the analogy is not applicable unless $\frac{\partial P^*}{\partial x^*} = 0$. Therefore, it does not apply to laminar flow in a pipe