

# Homework #7

MEMS 0071 - Introduction to Fluid Mechanics

Assigned: October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Due: November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

## Problem #1

Given an incompressible fluid that flows past a sphere with radius  $r$ . If the fluid velocity is

$$\vec{V} = V_o \left( 1 + \frac{r^3}{x^3} \right) \hat{i}$$

where  $V_o$  is the free-stream velocity, determine the acceleration vector of the fluid.

## Problem #2

For a two-dimensional steady flow give as

$$\vec{V} = \left( \frac{V_o}{L} \right) (-x\hat{i} + y\hat{j})$$

where  $V_o$  and  $L$  are constants, determine the acceleration vector of this flow.

## Problem #3

Fluid is steadily flowing through a nozzle, which has a shape described as

$$\frac{y}{L} = \pm \frac{0.5}{\left( 1 + \frac{x}{L} \right)}$$

which is valid for the ranges  $-0.5 < y/L < 0.5$  and  $0 < x/L < 1$ . If the pressure field of the fluid is described as

$$P - P_o = - \left( \frac{\rho V_o^2}{2} \right) \left( \frac{x^2 + y^2}{L^2} + \frac{2x}{L} \right)$$

and  $V_o$  and  $P_o$  are the velocity and pressure at the origin, determine the time rate of change of the pressure field through the nozzle.

## Problem #4

For a two-dimensional steady flow, if the velocity field is given as

$$\vec{V} = (x^2 + y^2)\hat{i} - 2xy\hat{j}$$

determine if the flow is rotational or irrotational.

## Problem #5

Given the following velocity field for an incompressible fluid

$$u = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$v = xy + yz + z$$

$$w = ?$$

Determine the z-component of velocity that satisfies continuity.

## Problem #6

If the velocity field of planar flow between two plates is described as

$$u = 0.002(1 - 10(10^3)y) \text{ [m/s]}$$

which is valid in the range of  $-10 < y \text{ [mm]} < 10$ , determine the vorticity and shear strain rate when  $y=5 \text{ [mm]}$ .

## Problem #7

Consider a situation of planar Couette flow, where the top plate is moving in the positive x-direction with a velocity in the positive x-direction of  $0.32 \text{ [m/s]}$  and the bottom plate is stationary. If the velocity profile between the two plates is described as

$$u = (40y - 800y^2) \text{ [m/s]}$$

where  $y$  is the height of the channel, taken as  $10 \text{ [mm]}$ , determine the shear stress acting on the bottom. Take the dynamic viscosity of the fluid to be  $897 \text{ } \mu\text{Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ .