

Question 1

Write down the full set of governing equations (continuity, momentum and energy).

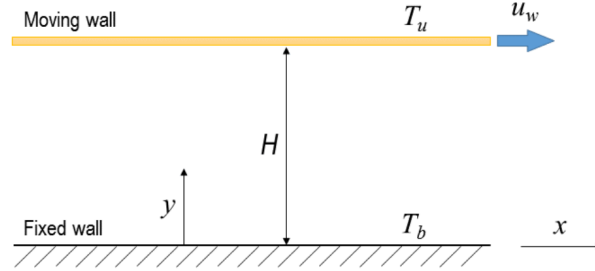


Figure 1: Fluid flow between parallel plates. The bottom plate is fixed, the upper plate is moving horizontally with velocity u_w . The fluid is incompressible and Newtonian.

Solution

We first begin with continuity,

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \rho + \rho(\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) = 0$$

then, the momentum equation,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\rho u_i u_j) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x_i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{2}{3} \mu \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \right) + \rho b_i$$

lastly, the energy equation,

$$\rho C_p \left(\frac{T}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla T \right) = k \nabla^2 T + \frac{\mu}{2} \Phi^2$$

where $\Phi_{i,j} = \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$.

Question 2

Write down the momentum conservation equations in Cartesian coordinates. Simplify them using conditions outlined in bullet points.

Solution

Table 1: Assumptions and simplifying consequences

| Assumption | Consequence |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Steady State (S.S.) | $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = 0$ |
| Incompressible | $\rho = \text{constant}$ |
| Newtonian | $\mu = \text{constant}$ |
| 2D Flow | $u_z = 0, \partial_z \vec{u} = 0$ |
| Parallel | $u_y = 0, \partial_y \vec{u} = 0$ |
| Fully developed in x (F.D.) | $v_x = v_x(y),$ |
| Constant Pressure in x (C.P.) | $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = 0$ |
| Gravity in z | $\vec{b} = -g\hat{k}$ |

We begin with the continuity equation,

$$\overset{\text{S.S.}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}}} + \vec{u} \cdot \nabla \overset{\text{Incmp.}}{\cancel{\rho}} + \rho(\nabla \cdot \vec{u}) = 0$$

this simplifies to,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} u_x + \cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial y} u_y} \overset{\text{Par.}}{\cancel{}} + \overset{\text{2D}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial z} u_z}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} = 0}$$

Next, in the x -direction with the momentum equation,

$$\overset{\text{S.S.}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_x)}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\rho u_x u_j) = \cancel{\frac{\partial P}{\partial x}} \overset{\text{C.P.}}{\cancel{}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_x} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{2}{3} \mu \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \right) + \rho b_x$$

expanding the index notation and simplifying,

$$\rho \left(\overset{\text{Cont.}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(u_x^2)}} + \overset{\text{Par.}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}(u_x u_y)}} + \overset{\text{2D}}{\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial z}(u_x u_z)}} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} \right) \right] \overset{\text{Cont.}}{\cancel{}}$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} \right) \right] \overset{\text{Par.}}{\cancel{}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x} \right) \right] \overset{\text{2D}}{\cancel{}}$$

$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\frac{2}{3} \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right] \overset{\text{Cont.}}{\cancel{}} + \rho b_x \overset{\text{Grav.}}{\cancel{}}$$

which results in

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial y^2} = 0}$$

Next, in the y-direction with the momentum equation,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\rho u_y u_j) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_y} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{2}{3} \mu \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \right) + \rho b_y$$

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expanding the index notation and simplifying,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u_x u_y) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (u_y^2) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (u_y u_z) \right) &= -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y} \right) \right] \\ &- \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\frac{2}{3} \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right] + \rho b_y \end{aligned}$$

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resulting in

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 0}$$

Finally, in the z-direction with the momentum equation,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\rho u_z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}(\rho u_z u_j) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_z} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{2}{3} \mu \frac{\partial u_k}{\partial x_k} \right) + \rho b_z$$

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expanding the index notation and simplifying,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} (u_x u_z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} (u_y u_z) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (u_z^2) \right) &= -\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial z} \right) \right] \\ &+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial z} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\mu \left(\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right] \\ &- \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\frac{2}{3} \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z} \right) \right] + \rho b_z \end{aligned}$$

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resulting in

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = -\rho g}$$

Question 3

Solve the simplified momentum equation.

Solution

Using no-slip boundary conditions, the boundary conditions are

$$\begin{aligned}u_x(0) &= 0 \\ u_x(h) &= u_w\end{aligned}$$

The simplified momentum equation in the x -direction is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

which has the general solution

$$u_x(y) = Ay + B$$

where A and B are constants. Applying the boundary conditions, we find

$$\begin{aligned}u_x(0) &= B = 0 \\ u_x(h) &= Ah = u_w\end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$u_x(y) = \frac{u_w}{h}y$$

This linear profile is also known as Couette flow. Next, the simplified momentum equation in the y -direction is given by

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = 0$$

which has the general solution

$$P = C(z)$$

where $C(z)$ is a function of z . Lastly, the simplified momentum equation in the z -direction is given by

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = -\rho g$$

which has the general solution

$$P(z) = -\rho g z + D$$

where D is a constant.

So in summary,

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned}\vec{u} &= \left[\frac{u_w}{h} y \right] \hat{i} \\ P &= -\rho g z + D\end{aligned}}$$

Question 4

Simplify the energy equation.

Solution

On top of the assumptions from Table 1, we need additional assumptions to address temperature.

Table 2: Assumptions and simplifying consequences for energy equation

| Assumption | Consequence |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 2D Flow | $\partial_z T = 0$ |
| Fully developed in x (F.D.) | $T = T(y), \partial_x T = 0$ |

The energy equation in the absence of a heat source is given by

$$\rho C_p \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla T \right) = k \nabla^2 T + \frac{\mu}{2} \Phi^2$$

From Assignment 1, the full Cartesian expansion is

$$\begin{aligned} \rho C_p \left[\cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}}^{\text{S.S.}} + \left(u_x \cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}}^{\text{F.D.}} + u_y \cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial y}}^{\text{Par.}} + u_z \cancel{\frac{\partial T}{\partial z}}^{\text{2D}} \right) \right] &= k \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}}^{\text{F.D.}} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \cancel{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}}^{\text{2D}} \right) \\ &+ \frac{\mu}{2} \left[4 \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x}}^{\text{Cont.}} \right)^2 + 4 \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x}}^{\text{Par.}} \right)^2 + 4 \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial x}}^{\text{2D}} \right)^2 \right. \\ &+ 2 \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + \cancel{\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x}}^{\text{Par.}} \right)^2 + 2 \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y}}^{\text{Par.}} + \cancel{\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y}}^{\text{2D}} \right)^2 \\ &\left. + 2 \left(\cancel{\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial y}}^{\text{2D}} + \cancel{\frac{\partial u_z}{\partial z}}^{\text{2D}} \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

which simplifies to

$$0 = k \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

Using the results from Q3,

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\mu}{k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2}$$

Question 5

Solve the simplified energy equation.

Solution

The simplified energy equation is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\mu}{k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2$$

Integrating twice with respect to y ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\mu}{k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 y + C_1 \\ T &= -\frac{\mu}{2k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 y^2 + C_1 y + C_2 \end{aligned}$$

Applying the boundary conditions $T(0) = T_b$ and $T(H) = T_u$,

$$\begin{aligned} T_b &= C_2 \\ T_u &= -\frac{\mu}{2k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 H^2 + C_1 H + C_2 \implies C_1 = \frac{T_u - T_b + \frac{\mu}{2k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 H^2}{H} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the temperature profile is given by

$$T(y) = -\frac{\mu}{2k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 y^2 + \left(T_u - T_b + \frac{\mu}{2k} \left(\frac{u_w}{H} \right)^2 H^2 \right) \frac{y}{H} + T_b$$