

Lecture - 15

Motion of particles through fluids

$$\frac{du}{dt} = a_e \left(\frac{\rho_p - \rho}{\rho_p} \right) - \frac{C_D u^2 \rho A_p}{2m}$$



Case-1 $a_e = g$

Spherical particle

$$u_t = \sqrt{\frac{4}{3} \frac{g (\rho_p - \rho) D_p}{C_D \cdot \rho}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow f(u_t)$$

Generalized expression

→ For Stoke's regime, $Re_p \ll 1$

$$u_t = \frac{g D_p^2 (\rho_p - \rho)}{18 \mu}$$

→ For $Re_p = 10^3 - 2 \times 10^5 \rightarrow C_D = 0.44$

$$* \quad u_t = 1.75 \sqrt{\frac{g D_p (\rho_p - \rho)}{\rho}} \rightarrow \text{Newton's flow regime}$$

Criteria for settling regime of spherical particles:

For Stoke's law:

$$Re_p = \frac{D_p u_t \rho}{\mu} = \frac{D_p \frac{g D_p^2 (\rho_p - \rho) \rho}{18 \mu} \rho}{\mu}$$

$$Re_p = \frac{D_p^3 g \rho (\rho_p - \rho)}{18 \mu^2}$$

$$18 Re_p = \left[D_p \left(\frac{g \rho (\rho_p - \rho)}{\mu^2} \right)^{1/3} \right]^3$$

$$18 Re_p = K^3$$

$$\Rightarrow K = 18^{1/3} Re_p^{1/3}$$

$$K = \left(\frac{D_p g \rho (\rho_p - \rho)}{\mu^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

upper limit

$$Re_p = 1$$

$$K = 18^{1/3} = 2.6$$

$$\boxed{K < 2.6}$$

Stoke's law applies

For Newton's flow regime,

$$Re_p = 10^3 - 2 \times 10^5$$

$$Re_p = \frac{D_p u_{tp}}{\mu} = 1.75 \left\{ D_p \left[\frac{g_p (p_p - p)}{\mu^2} \right]^{1/3} \right\}^{1.5}$$

$$\Rightarrow Re_p = 1.75 K^{1.5}$$

Lower limit, $Re_p = 1000 \Rightarrow K = 68.9$

upper limit, $Re_p = 2 \times 10^5 \Rightarrow K = 2360$

if $K = 68.9 - 2360$, then Newton's flow regime applies

For intermediate range, $K = 2.6 - 68.9$

Summary:

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For all flow regimes

$$u_t = \sqrt{\frac{4g(\rho_p - \rho)D_p}{3C_D \rho}}$$

k-criteria

$$k = D_p \left(\frac{g \rho (\rho_p - \rho)}{\mu^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

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For Stoke's flow regime

$$u_t = \frac{g D_p^2 (\rho_p - \rho)}{18 \mu}$$

$$k < 2.6$$

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For Newton's flow regime

$$u_t = 1.75 \sqrt{\frac{g D_p (\rho_p - \rho)}{\rho}}$$

$$k = 68.9 - 2360$$

Example-1

Calculate drag force on a submerged sphere (42 mm) in an air stream

$$\rho_{\text{air}} = 1.137 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\mu_{\text{air}} = 1.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$u_t = 23 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Re_p = 5.7 \times 10^4 > 10^3$$

$$C_D = 0.44$$

$$F_D = \frac{1}{2} C_D \rho A u_t^2$$

$$F_D = 0.18 \text{ N}$$

Example: 2

oil droplet in air at 310K & 101.3 kPa.
Assume rigid spherical droplet of dia
20 μm & density 900 kg/m^3 . Calculate
its terminal velocity if $\rho_{\text{air}} = 1.137 \text{ kg/m}^3$

$$\mu_{\text{air}} = 1.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Pa.s.}$$

$$K = D_p \left(\frac{g (\rho_p - \rho)}{\mu^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

$$K = 0.61 < 2.6 \Rightarrow \text{Stoke's law applicable}$$

$$u_t = \frac{g D_p^2 (\rho_p - \rho)}{18 \mu}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_t = 0.0103 \text{ m/s}$$

Example: 3

Estimate terminal velocity for
-80+100 mesh particles of limestone
($\rho_p = 2800 \text{ kg/m}^3$) falling in water at
 30°C .

$$\rho = 995.7 \text{ kg/m}^3, \quad \mu = 0.801 \text{ cP}$$
$$= 0.801 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Pa.s}$$

$$\text{Average size, } D_p = \frac{0.147 + 0.175}{2}$$

$$D_p = 0.161 \text{ mm}$$

$$K = 4.896$$

$$2.6 < K < 68.9 \Rightarrow \text{Generalized expression}$$

Assume Re_t.

$$u_t = \sqrt{\frac{4}{3} \frac{g(\rho_p - \rho) D_p}{C_D \rho}}$$
$$\text{Re}_t = \frac{D_p u_t \rho}{\mu}$$

$\text{Re}_t = 2.5$
 $u_t = 0.014 \text{ m/s}$

Re_t →

Centrifugal settling:

$$F_c = m \omega^2 r$$

* $\frac{du}{dt}$ is very small compared to u itself.

$$u_t = \omega \sqrt{\frac{2 r (P_p - P) m}{A_p \rho C_D}}$$

For spherical particle,

$$A_p = \frac{\pi}{4} D_p^2$$

$$m = \frac{\pi}{6} D_p^3 \rho_p$$

$$\Rightarrow u_t = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{4}{3} (\omega^2 r) (P_p - P) D_p}{g C_D}}$$

$g \rightarrow \omega^2 r$

(*) $\frac{u_{t,c}}{u_{t,g}} = \frac{\omega^2 r}{g}$ (For Stoke's regime)

$$\frac{u_{t,c}}{u_{t,g}} = \sqrt{\frac{\omega^2 r}{g}} \quad (\text{For Newton's regime})$$