

We have the continuity eqⁿ (2-D)

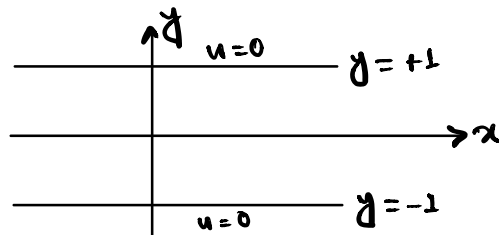
$$\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} = 0 \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

And the momentum eqⁿ. (2-D)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial t} + u_x \cdot \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial x} + u_y \cdot \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + Re^{-1} \left[\frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial y^2} \right] \\ \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial t} + u_x \cdot \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial x} + u_y \cdot \frac{\partial u_y}{\partial y} &= -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + Re^{-1} \left[\frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u_y}{\partial y^2} \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \textcircled{2}$$

Now, from the given boundary conditions we obtain,

- $u = 0$ at walls
- flow symmetric around $y = 0$
- periodic boundary conditions on u in the x -direction, i.e. flow parallel to the walls.



Therefore, we expect, $u_y = 0$, $\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0$ and $u_x = u_x(y)$

And so $\textcircled{2}$ becomes,

$$\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + Re^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

for a fully developed flow - no change in profile in streamwise direction

i.e. $\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial t} = 0$

And, we finally obtain $\textcircled{2}$ as -

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + Re^{-1} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 u_x}{\partial y^2} \longrightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

Integrating ③ once, we get.

$$y \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = Re^{-1} \cdot \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} + c_1 \longrightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

Now, due to symmetry at $y=0$, $\frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} = 0$

which gives us $c_1 = 0$

And integrating again,

$$\frac{y^2}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = Re^{-1} u_x + c_2 \longrightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

Again, at $y = \pm 1$ we have $u_x = 0$

$$\text{So, } c_2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial x}$$

\therefore Finally, we obtain,

$$u_x = -Re \frac{(1-y^2)}{2} \cdot \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \longrightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

Now, let, $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = -\alpha$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dx} = -\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P = -\alpha x + A \longrightarrow \textcircled{7}$$

at $x=0$, $P = P_0$ which gives us $A = P_0$

So, we obtain a set of solutions for Poiseuille flow -

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} P &= P_0 - \alpha x \\ u_x &= \alpha Re \frac{(1-y^2)}{2} \\ u_y &= 0 \end{aligned}}$$

for any α .

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