

## Homework 1 Phys4001

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1.

People exhale, cough or sneeze particles ranging from  $0.1 \mu\text{m}$  to  $1000 \mu\text{m}$  in diameter. Consider spherical droplets of diameters  $2 \mu\text{m}$  (sometimes referred to as aerosols) and  $400 \mu\text{m}$  with the same density as water. The drag force may be taken as  $F_{\text{Drag}} = -bv - cv^2$  where the expressions for  $b$  and  $c$  were given in lecture. The motion is assumed to be one-dimensional, vertically downward, and starting from rest.

$$b = 6\pi\eta R$$

$$c = \frac{1}{2}c_D\rho A$$

(i) In each case, solve for the vertical terminal velocity  $v_t$  analytically, and then calculate it numerically.

Terminal velocity is reached when  $F_{\text{gravity}} = -F_{\text{Drag}}$  and therefore the object is under no acceleration.

$$F_{\text{gravity}} = mg \text{ (assume } g)$$

$$F_{\text{Drag}} = -bv - cv^2 = -F_{\text{gravity}} = -mg$$

solve for velocity:

$$-cv^2 - bv + mg = 0$$

$$v = \frac{b \pm \sqrt{(b)^2 - 4(-c)(mg)}}{-2c} = \frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 + 4cmg}}{-2c}$$

Droplet of 2 microns

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diameters = [2 * 10^-6, 400 * 10^-6];
viscosity = 1.8*10^-5;
coefficient_of_drag = 0.47;
radius = diameters ./ 2;
density_water = 1000;
volume = 4/3 * pi * radius.^3;
mass = volume * density_water;
density_air = 1.225;
area = pi * radius.^2;
b = 6 * pi * viscosity * radius;
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c = 0.5 * coefficient_of_drag * density_air * area;
g = 9.8;
v = (b - sqrt(b.^2 + 4*c.*mass*g)) ./ (-2*c) % Quadratic formula from above where
the first number in the array is the smaller droplet and the second is the larger
one
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v = 1x2
    0.0001    2.2177
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(ii) Determine whether laminar or turbulent flow dominates for each droplet size.

*Laminar*

$$F = -bv$$

*Turbulent*

$$F = -cv^2$$

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format long
F_lam = -b.*v
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F_lam = 1x2
10^-6 x
-0.000000041050131 -0.150487725543369
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F_turb = -c.*v.^2
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F_turb = 1x2
10^-6 x
-0.000000000000013 -0.177913426511884
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For the smaller drop it seems that laminar dominates but, for the larger one it seems the larger one dominates.

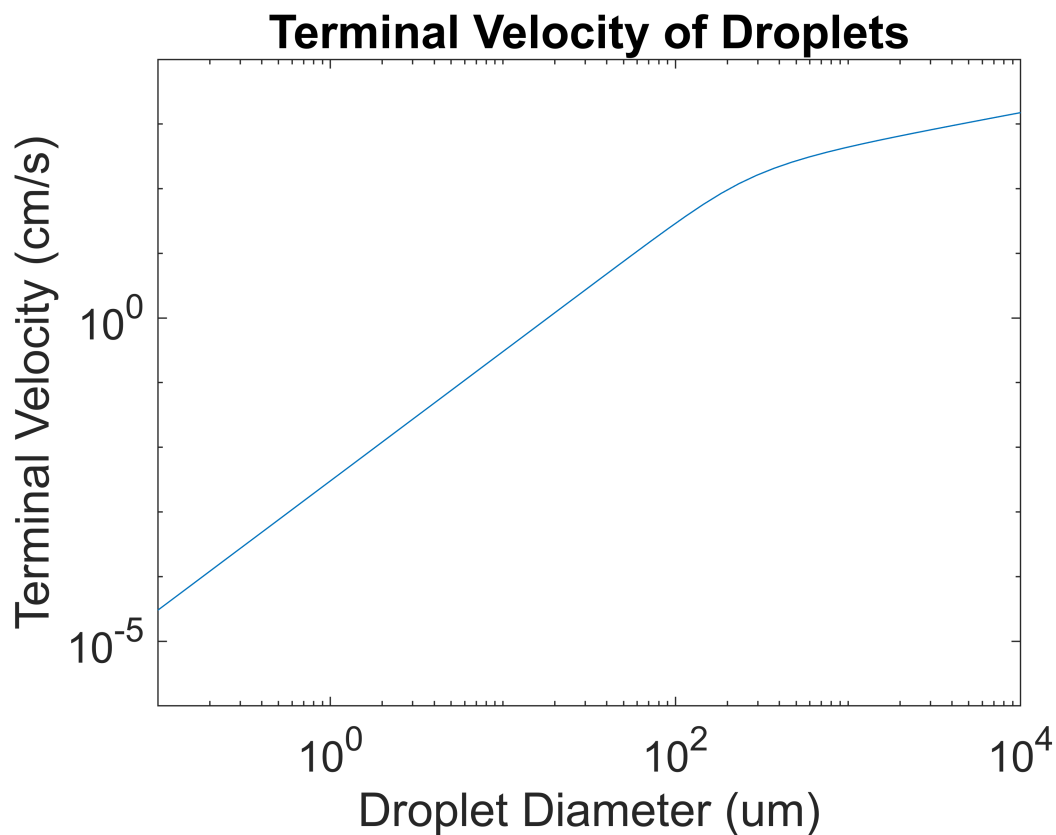
(iii) Using Matlab, make a log-log plot of the vertical terminal velocity in units of cm/s versus droplet diameter ranging from 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$  to 10,000  $\mu\text{m}$ .

[To create such a large span of diameters in Matlab you would want to use a function called 'logspace'. To make a log-log plot use the command 'loglog(X,Y,LineSpec)' instead of 'plot(X,Y,LineSpec)'. Place 10 tic marks per decade.] Note the change of slope where the smooth transition between laminar and turbulent flow occurs. The reason for plotting the larger droplets (up to 1 cm!) is to more clearly see the transition from laminar to turbulent flow. If there is an updraft greater than the terminal velocity the droplet will rise rather than fall, and horizontal air currents could carry them far away from their original position.

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diameters_microns = logspace(-1, 4);
diameters = diameters_microns * 10^-6;
viscosity = 1.8*10^-5;
coefficient_of_drag = 0.47;
radius = diameters ./ 2;
volume = 4/3 * pi * radius.^3;
mass = volume * density_water;
area = pi * radius.^2;
b = 6 * pi * viscosity * radius;
c = 1/2 * coefficient_of_drag * density_air * area;
v = (b - sqrt(b.^2 + 4*c.*mass*g)) ./ (-2*c) * 100;
loglog(diameters_microns, v)
xlim([10^-1, 10^4])
set(gca, 'fontsize', 16)
xlabel('Droplet Diameter (um)')
title('Terminal Velocity of Droplets')
ylabel('Terminal Velocity (cm/s)')

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2.

A perfectly flexible chain has length  $L$ , mass  $M$ , and constant

mass per unit length  $\frac{M}{L}$ . At time  $t = 0$  it is at rest with a length  $x_0 < L$

hanging vertically over the edge of a table.

(i) Neglecting friction, compute the length  $x(t)$  hanging over the edge after a time  $t$ . Assume that the horizontal and vertical sections remain straight during the motion. At what time  $t_L$  is  $x(t_L) = L$ ?

$$m_2 = x(t) \left( \frac{M}{L} \right) \quad - \quad \text{Mass of hanging part of chain}$$

$$m_1 = M - m_2 = \frac{M}{L} (L - x(t))$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = m_2 g \quad - \quad \text{Only force acting upon the chain is the force of the mass hanging}$$

$$m_2 g = M a$$

$$a = \frac{m_2 g}{M} = \frac{x(t) \frac{M}{L} g}{M} = \frac{g x(t)}{L} = x''(t) \quad - \quad \text{Differential}$$

$$x(t) = A e^{ct} \quad - \quad \text{Guess}$$

$$x''(t) = A c^2 e^{ct}$$

$$x(t) = A e^{\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} + B e^{-\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} \quad - \quad \text{Add negative part for posterity}$$

$$x'(t) = A \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} e^{\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} - B \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t}$$

$$x(0) = x_0 = A + B$$

$$x'(0) = 0 = A \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} - B \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$

$$A - B = 0$$

$$x(t) = \frac{x(0)}{2} e^{\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} + \frac{x(0)}{2} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} = \frac{x(0)}{2} \left( e^{\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} + e^{-\sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t} \right) = L$$

$$x(0) \cosh \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t \right) = L$$

$$\text{arccosh} \left( \frac{L}{x(0)} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} t$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{L}{g}} \text{arccosh} \left( \frac{L}{x(0)} \right) = t_L$$

(ii) More realistically, there is a frictional force between the chain and table

top with kinetic and static coefficients of friction  $\mu_k < \mu_s$ . What is the max-

imum value of  $x_0$ , called  $x_c$ , such that the chain does not move?

$$F_{\text{Net}} = F_{\text{Friction}} + F_{\text{gravity}} = 0$$

$$F_{\text{gravity}} = m_2 g$$

$$|F_{\text{drag}}| \leq \mu_s N = -\mu_s (m_1) g$$

$$\lambda = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$F_{\text{drag}} + F_{\text{gravity}} = 0 = \lambda x(t) g - \mu_s \lambda (L - x(t)) g$$

$$0 = \lambda x(t) g - \mu_s \lambda L g + \mu_s \lambda g x(t) = x(t) (\lambda g + \mu_s \lambda g) - \mu_s \lambda L g$$

$$\frac{\mu_s L}{(1 + \mu_s)} = x_0$$

(iii) At  $t = 0$  and  $x_0 = x_c$  we give the chain a tiny velocity  $v_i$  so that it

immediately begins to move and the coefficient of friction changes from  $\mu_s$  to  $\mu_k$ . What now is the length hanging over the edge after a time  $t$ ?

(You might want to try this out experimentally at home.)

$$\lambda = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$F_k = \mu_k N = \mu_k \lambda (L - x(t)) g$$

$$F_g = \lambda x(t) g$$

$$Mx''(t) = \lambda x(t) g - \mu_k \lambda (L - x(t)) g$$

$$Mx''(t) = \lambda x(t) g - \mu_k \lambda L g + \mu_k \lambda x(t) g = (\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g) x(t) - \mu_k \lambda L g$$

$$Mx''(t) - (\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g) x(t) = -\mu_k \lambda L g$$

$$Mx''(t) - (\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g) x(t) = 0$$

- find homogenous answer and particular and

$$x''(t) - \frac{(\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g)}{M} x(t) = 0$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{(\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g)}{M} \Rightarrow x''(t) - \omega^2 x(t) = 0$$

$$x_c(t) = A e^{\omega t} + B e^{-\omega t}$$

$$x_p = c = C$$

$$M(0) - (\lambda g + \mu_k \lambda g) C = -\mu_k \lambda L g$$

combine

$$C = \frac{\mu_k \lambda L}{\lambda + \mu_k \lambda}$$

$$x(t) = x_c + x_p = Ae^{\omega t} + Be^{-\omega t} + \frac{\mu_k L}{1 + \mu_k}$$

$$\frac{\mu_s L}{(1 + \mu_s)} = A + B + \frac{\mu_k L}{1 + \mu_k}$$

3. (20 points) Consider a drag force that is linear in the velocity of an object of mass  $m$ :  $F_{\text{drag}} = -bv$ . The object is thrown with an initial velocity  $v_0$  that has nonzero components both horizontal and vertically upward.

(i) Derive the position of the object in both horizontal and vertical components as a function of time.

Horizontal:

$$F_{\text{Net}} = -bv_x = m \frac{dv_x}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv_x}{v_x} = -\frac{b}{m} dt$$

$$\ln|v_x| = -\frac{b}{m} t + C$$

$$v_x = Ae^{-\frac{b}{m} t} = v_{0,x} e^{-\frac{b}{m} t}$$

$$x(t) = -\frac{m}{b} v_{0,x} e^{-\frac{b}{m} t} + C$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$x(t) = \frac{m}{b} v_{0,x} \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{b}{m} t} \right)$$

Vertical

$$-bv_y - mg = m \frac{dv_y}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} = -\frac{b}{m} v_y - g$$

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} + \frac{b}{m} v_y = 0$$

$$v_{yc}(t) = v_{0,y} e^{-\frac{b}{m}t}$$

$$\frac{dv_{yp}}{dt} = 0 = -\frac{b}{m} v_{yp} - g$$

$$v_{yp} = -\frac{mg}{b}$$

$$v_y(t) = v_{0,y} e^{-\frac{b}{m}t} - \frac{mg}{b}$$

$$y(t) = \int v_{0,y} e^{-\frac{b}{m}t} - \frac{mg}{b} dt$$

$$y(t) = -\frac{m}{b} v_{0,y} e^{-\frac{b}{m}t} - \frac{mg}{b} t + C$$

$$y(0) = 0$$

$$y(t) = \frac{m}{b} v_{0,y} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{b}{m}t}\right) - \frac{mg}{b} t$$

(ii) Find the distance the object has moved in the horizontal direction after three characteristic time constants have elapsed, that is when  $t = 3\tau$  where  $\tau \equiv m/b$ .

$$y(t) = T v_{0,y} (1 - e^{-3}) - 3T^2 g$$

$$x(t) = T v_{0,x} (1 - e^{-3})$$