

Physics 218C

## Lecture II c. - Transport Heuristics

a)  $\rightarrow$  Transport  $\leftrightarrow$  Mixing  $\rightarrow$  Profile

- Pipe Flow
- Steller Convection

b)  $\rightarrow$  Scalings - MFE

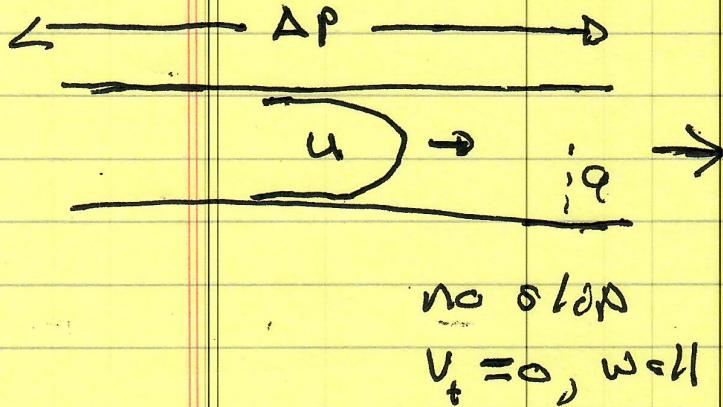
- Flux,  $D$
- $\Omega_f$  - the critical ratio
- $\Delta \rightarrow$  gyro-Bohm, Bohm and between
- Shearing EF effects

→ Transport → Mixing  $\Rightarrow$  Profile

a.) Poiseuille Flow - Turbulent  
(Navier-Stokes)

(cf. Landau &  
Lifshitz)

→ inhomogeneous, bounded system



$\frac{\Delta P}{l} \rightarrow$  driving  
pressure drop  
per length.

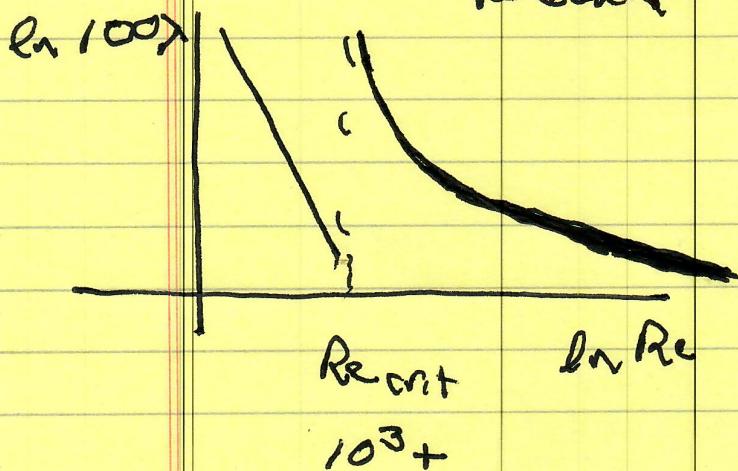
$$\left( \partial_x v + v \cdot \partial_x v = - \frac{\Delta P}{l} + \nu \partial^2 v \right)$$

keeping order:

$$\lambda = 2 \alpha \Delta P / l \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \rho U^2} \rightarrow \text{resistance factor}$$

(akin TE  $\sim W / \rho_{in}$ )  
homogeneous turbulent

(shear-driven)



$$Re = \frac{U d}{\nu}$$

better  $1/\lambda$  vs  
Re  
on  $k_F$  vs.  $\Delta P$

2a.

more rapidly than in turbulent flow.

Figure 32 shows a logarithmic graph of  $\lambda$  as a function of  $R$ . The steep straight line corresponds to laminar flow (formula (43.6)), and the less steep curve (which is almost a straight line also) to turbulent flow. The transition from the first line to the second occurs, as the Reynolds number increases, at the point where the flow becomes turbulent; this may occur for various Reynolds numbers, depending on the actual conditions (the intensity of the perturbations). The resistance coefficient increases abruptly at the transition point.

$$\lambda \sim \frac{\Delta P}{\rho u^2 / 2}$$

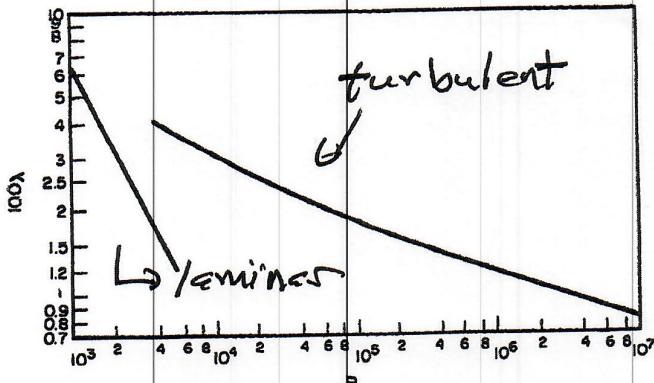


Fig. 32  $R_e$

→ turbulent resistance core  $\Rightarrow$

Momentum confinement scaling.

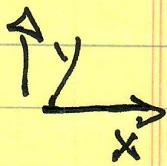
→ also  $\rightarrow$  (universal) boundary layer structure

core  $\rightarrow$  flat/plug  
 $\rightarrow$  log law  $\leftrightarrow$  empirical

Mondt 25, 132,

" " universal  $\rightarrow$  rescale different flows of diffnt size, etc,  $Re$   
 (so long as turbulent)

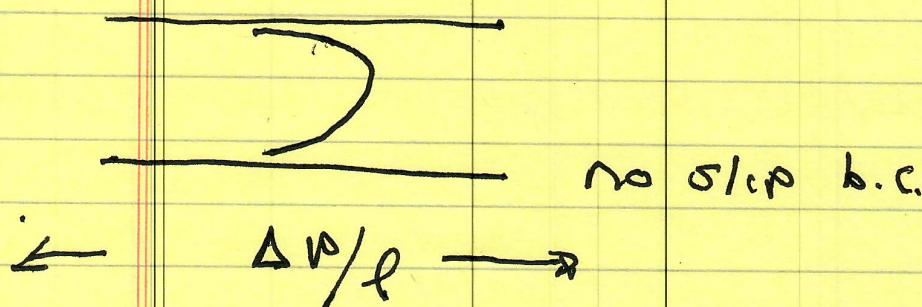
$\rightarrow$  same shape  $U(y)$  profile



$\rightarrow$  counterpart of  $h(z)$ , etc.

$\Rightarrow$  counterpart of "profile consistency",  
 "resiliency", "stiffness" etc.

What is going on here?



- drag on flow  $\rightarrow \lambda \rightarrow$  due momentum flux to wall

- turbulent transport / mixing of momentum



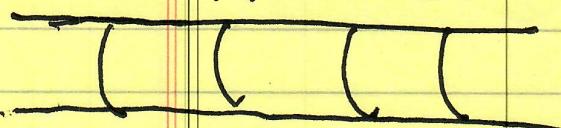
- wall stress must balance pressure drop.

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$$\tau_{\text{wall}} = \rho U_*^2$$

$U_* = \text{typical}$   
turbulent velocity

$$A = 2\pi aL$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Force on Wall} &\sim \\ &\sim \rho U_*^2 A_{\text{wall}} \\ &\sim \rho U_*^2 2\pi a_l l \end{aligned}$$

and Force on Fluid ~ (pressure drop)(x A)  
 (per l) ~  $\Delta P \pi a^2$

$\Leftrightarrow$  balance  $\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\rho U_*^2 (2\pi a l)}{\} U_* = (\Delta P / 2\rho) \left(\frac{a}{l}\right)^{1/2}}$$

~ "friction velocity"  
 - characteristic velocity  
 ~ "typical velocity" of  
 turbulence in (turbulent) pipe flow

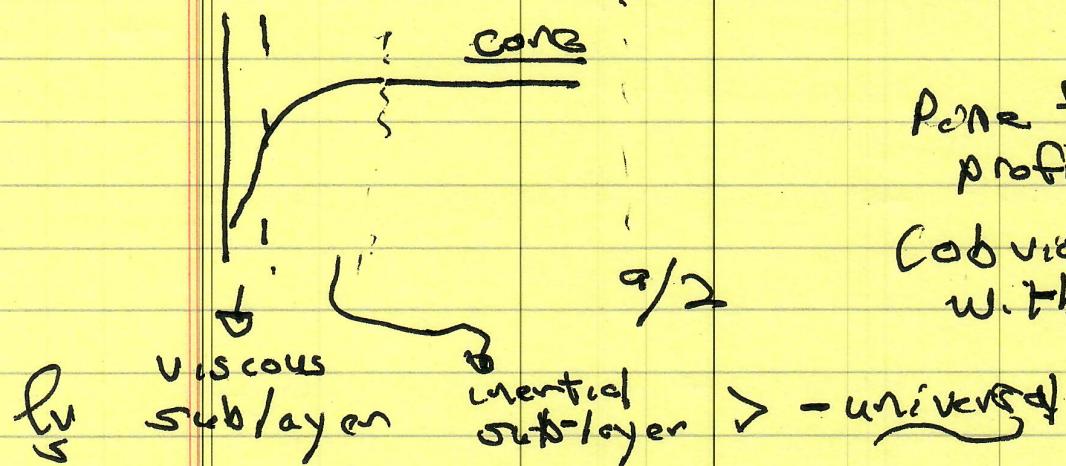
- N.B.
- viscous vs turbulent stress?  $\rightarrow$   
thd
  - $U_*$  ~ isotropic  $\langle V_y V_x \rangle \rightarrow U_*^2$   
 $\{$   
 Reynolds stress.
  - Laminar  
 $- \nu \nabla^2 V_x = - \frac{\partial x P}{\partial}$
  - Poiseuille  
= parabolic.

→ THE Question

- What is the profile  $u(y)$  ?

~ practical question - akin MFE

= Dimensional Reasoning



Can Note:

Length scales:  $a \rightarrow$  Radius

$$l_v \sim \frac{r}{U_\infty} \rightarrow \text{viscous outer-layer scale}$$

in small scale region, close  
to wall,

$$\pi_{y,x} = \cancel{\rho} U_*^2 = - \cancel{\rho} \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \cancel{\rho}$$

viscous transport

$$U(y) = \cancel{\rho} \frac{U_*^2}{\nu} y$$

$$= \frac{U_*^2}{\nu} y$$

$\rightarrow$  linear profile  
viscous sublayer

$y$  = distance  
from wall.

But what of inertial sublayer?

$l_{vis} < y < \delta$

Only parameters:  $U_*$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $y$

$\cancel{\rho}$ ,  $\cancel{\nu}$

Key: inertial sublayer  
is scale invariant

distance from  
wall

so if seek velocity gradient

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = ?$$

Only possibilities are

$$U_*$$

$y \rightarrow$  distance  
from  
 $w=0$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} = \frac{U_*}{y}$$

$$\Rightarrow U = U_* \ln(y)$$

$$\rightarrow = U_* \ln(y/l_{in})$$

Log Profile

$$+ U_*$$

(measured from  $y=0$ )

to match to viscous sublayer at  $l_{in}$ .  
Constant  $K$  (Von Kármán) enters.

## - Heuristic Reasoning

Consider turbulent mixing as a momentum transport process, akin to kinetic theory of gases.

Flux driven transport ]

$$\nabla w = \rho U_*^2 = \rho \langle \tilde{v}_y \tilde{v}_x \rangle$$



transport via distribution  
of slugs/parcels of momentum.  
→ conserved locally.

$$\stackrel{?}{=} \tilde{V}_x(y) = U_x(y - l) - U_x(y)$$

↓  
parcel  
scattered

$$\stackrel{?}{=} \boxed{\quad} - l \frac{\partial U_x}{\partial y}$$

$$\tilde{V}_y \sim U_x$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} T_w = - \rho \langle U_x l \rangle \frac{\partial U_x}{\partial y}$$

↑  
momentum  
diffusivity → "eddy/turbulent  
viscosity".

What is  $l$  → mixing length  
(analogous to  $\eta_{MP}$ )

Scale invariance ⇒

Mixing length restricted only by  
distance to nearest boundary  
(i.e. no scale)

So  $\rightarrow$  mixing length restricted only by distance to (nearest) wall

$$\therefore l \sim y$$

$$\tau_w \approx -\rho u_* y \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y}$$

$$\text{and } -\rho u_* y \frac{\partial u_x}{\partial y} = \rho u_*^2$$

$$u_x = u_* \ln y + C \quad (\text{measured from } y=0)$$

(with const)

$$u_x \Rightarrow \frac{u_*}{K} \ln(y/l_w)$$

(inertial) Layer profile  $\rightarrow$   
"Law of the wall"

Profile  $\rightarrow$  turbulent pipe flow

$\Rightarrow$  Welcome to Prandtl  $\rightarrow$  the "mother" of all mixing length theory.

Some comments:

→ as at K41, clear phenomenology,  
critical to model.  
- etc!

→ many ongoing:  
- studies of transport, turbulence  
physics:

streaks, vortices, self-similarity, anomalous  
scaling, fractal - ...

but

= Log law works  
(can fit  $\lambda$  vs  $Re$   
plot)

pretty well!

→ why single  $U_*$ ?

→ value of  
turbulent  
velocity?

~ from mixing of  
mean gradient

$$\sim l \frac{\partial U}{\partial y} \sim l \frac{U_*}{y} \sim \frac{U_*}{y}$$

- Scale separation?  
 - Better Question!

as for diffusive model should have

$$\ell_{\text{mix}} / L_{\text{macro}} \ll 1 \rightarrow \text{e.g. Velocity Chapman Enskog.}$$

here  $\ell_{\text{mix}} \sim \gamma$

$$L_{\text{macro}}^{-1} \sim \frac{I}{U} \frac{\partial U}{\partial y}$$

$$\sim \frac{I}{U(\ell_{\text{mix}})} \cdot \frac{U}{\gamma}$$

$$\therefore \ell_{\text{mix}} / L_{\text{macro}} \sim \frac{1}{\gamma} \ll 1$$

→ Marginal ..

- note  $\gamma/\gamma$  scaling

But

- it works!

G.F. Spiegel '63  
 (posted)  
 for more.

→ What of turbulent dissipation?

Consider N-S Eqn:

$$\underline{\partial_t \underline{V}} + \underline{\underline{\nabla} \cdot \nabla \underline{V}} + \langle V_x \rangle \partial_x \underline{V} + \partial_y \partial_y \langle V_x \rangle \\ = -\nabla P + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{V}$$

$\tilde{V} \approx$  and avg:

$$\underline{\partial_t \langle \tilde{V}^2 \rangle} + \cancel{\langle \underline{\nabla} \cdot \nabla \frac{\underline{V}^2}{2} \rangle} + \langle V_x \rangle \cancel{\langle \underline{\nabla} \cdot \partial_x \underline{V} \rangle} \\ + \langle V_y V_x \rangle \partial_y \langle V_x \rangle = -\cancel{\langle \underline{V} \cdot \nabla P \rangle} \\ - \nu \cancel{\langle (\nabla \underline{V})^2 \rangle}$$

so

$$\underline{\partial_t E} = -\nu \cancel{\langle (\nabla \underline{V})^2 \rangle} - \cancel{\langle \tilde{V}_y \tilde{V}_x \rangle} \frac{\partial \langle V_x \rangle}{\partial y}$$

viscous  
dissipation

Reynolds work  
(input of energy)  
to ~~fluctuations~~ fluctuations  
from mean flow)

obviously  $> 0$ .

define:

$$\epsilon = \langle \tilde{U}_y \tilde{V}_x \rangle \frac{\partial \bar{U}_x}{\partial y}$$

Turbulent dissipation rate

Can use MLT:

$$\langle \tilde{U}_y \tilde{V}_x \rangle = U_* x \frac{\partial \bar{U}}{\partial y}$$

$\therefore$

$$\epsilon = (U_* x) \frac{\partial \bar{U}}{\partial y} = v_T \left( \frac{\partial \bar{U}}{\partial y} \right)^2$$

" $\overset{\circ}{\rightarrow}$  rate of heating" of  
plasma by turb.  
viscous relaxation

ultimately:

$$\int v \langle (\partial \tilde{U})^2 \rangle = \int v_T \left( \frac{\partial \bar{U}_x}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad \begin{cases} \text{in steady} \\ \text{state.} \end{cases}$$

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$$\epsilon = (U_x y) \left(\frac{U_x}{y}\right)^2$$

$$= U_x^3 / y$$

drag reduction rate  
largest near  
wall ( $\nabla U_x$ )

$\epsilon$  finite as

$$r \rightarrow 0$$

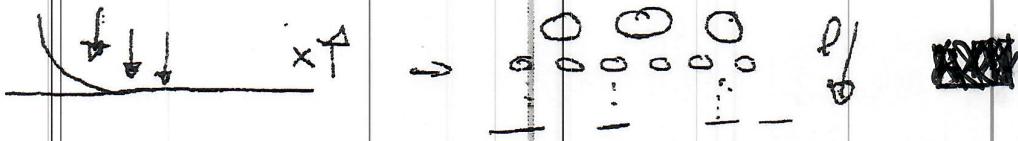
Proof ? - Pipe counterpart of 4/5  
law  $\int_0^R$

N.B. Mixing Length Theory, while not rigorous, is

- useful  $\rightarrow$  especially in complicated problems.
- non-trivial

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Staircase,  
Flow over ice

C.F. Spiegel '63  
(P-Stat)



→ Now, interesting to tabulate comparison between Pipe Flow and K41 Problem

### Pipe Flow (Prandtl)      K41 (Kolmogorov)

$$\frac{\text{scale}}{b} : a, x, \nu/u_* \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} l_0, l_n, l_d \\ l \rightarrow \text{scale space} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\text{invariance: } x \rightarrow \text{real space}$$

inertial sublayer

viscous sublayer

inertial range  
dissipation range

$$\text{balance: } u_*^2 = \nu_f \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{v(l_e)^3}{\tau(l_e)}$$

denote: eddy viscosity

$$\nu_f = u_* x$$

turn-over rate

$$1/\tau(l_e) = \frac{v(l_e)}{\rho}$$

$$\text{wall: } U = \frac{u_* x}{K}$$

$$v(l_e) = \epsilon^{1/3} l_e^{1/3}$$

inertial profile

universal spectral scaling

$$\text{dissipation: } \nu = \nu_f$$

$$x_e = \nu / u_*$$

$$v(l_e)/l_e = \nu / l_e^2$$

$$l_d = \nu^{3/4} / \epsilon^{1/4}$$