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Chapter 5: The Mechanics of Nonviscous Fluids

- We will learn in this chapter 5:
- Equation of Continuity; Streamline Flow
- Bernoulli's Equation
- Static Consequences of Bernoulli's Equation
- Dynamic Consequences of Bernoulli's Equation

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Equation of Continuity; Streamline Flow

4 common states of matter:

- ♦ **Solid:** Maintains shape & size (approx.), even under large forces.
- ♦ **Liquid:** No fixed shape. Takes shape of container.
- ♦ **Gas:** Neither fixed shape, nor fixed volume. Expands to fill container
- ♦ **Plasma:** Neither fixed shape, nor fixed volume. Expands to fill container

Liquid, Gas and Plasma are called Fluids.

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Fluid Flow

1. The fluid is **nonviscous**. In a nonviscous fluid, internal friction is neglected. An object moving through the fluid experiences no viscous force.
2. The flow is **steady**. In steady (laminar) flow, the velocity of the fluid at each point remains constant.
3. The fluid is **incompressible**. The density of an incompressible fluid is constant.
4. The flow is **irrotational**. In irrotational flow, the fluid has no angular momentum about any point.
5. If a small paddle wheel placed anywhere in the fluid does not rotate about the wheel's center of mass, then the flow is **irrotational**.
6. The path taken by a fluid particle under steady flow is called a **streamline**.

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Density and Pressure

- Density**

In fluids, we are interested in properties that can vary from point to point. Thus, it is more useful to speak of density and pressure than of mass and force.

$\rho = m/v$ (uniform density)

Density is a scalar, the SI unit of density is kg/m^3 .

- Pressure**

- p is the pressure of uniform force on flat area A .
- F is the magnitude of the normal force on area A .
- The SI unit of pressure is N/m^2 , called the Pascal (Pa).
(The tire pressure of cars are in kilopascals: kPa).
- 1 atm = $1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ = 76 cm Hg = 760 mm Hg

$$p = \frac{F}{A}$$

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Equation of Continuity; Streamline Flow

- A fluid moving with steady flow through a pipe of varying cross-sectional area. The volume of fluid flowing through area A_1 in a time interval t must equal the volume flowing through area A_2 in the same time interval.

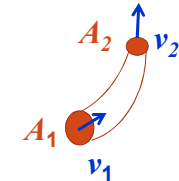
- Therefore,

$$\text{Area}_1 \times \text{velocity}_1 = \text{Area}_2 \times \text{velocity}_2$$

$$Q = A_1 \times v_1 = A_2 \times v_2$$

$$r_1^2 \times v_1 = r_2^2 \times v_2$$

- This expression is called the equation of continuity for fluids.
- It states that the product of the area and the fluid speed at all points along a pipe is constant for an incompressible fluid.



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Example 5.1

- A water pipe leading up to a hose has a radius of 1 cm. water leaves the hose at a rate of 3 litres per minute.

a/ Find the velocity of the water in the pipe.

$$Q = 3 \text{ l/min} = \frac{3 \times 10^{-3}}{60} = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \Rightarrow v = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{5 \times 10^{-5}}{\pi (10^{-2})^2} = 0.16 \text{ m/s}$$

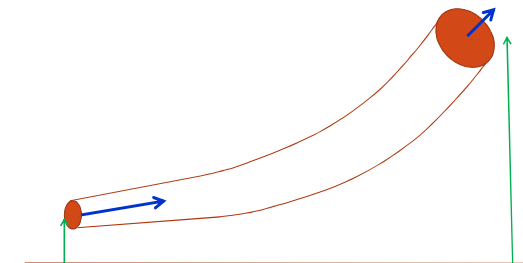
- b/ The hose has a radius of 0.5 cm. What is the velocity of the water in the hose?

$$Av = A'v' \Rightarrow v' = \left(\frac{A}{A'}\right)v = \left(\frac{r}{r'}\right)^2 v = 4v = 0.64 \text{ m/s}$$

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Bernoulli's Equation



$$P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 + \rho g y_1 = P_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2 + \rho g y_2$$

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