

Today, we will:

- Do more examples – the stream function.
- Discuss the differential equation for momentum in fluid flow: **The Navier-Stokes eq.**
- Do some example problems – Navier-Stokes equation

Example: Streamlines in Cylindrical Coordinates

Given: A flow field is steady and 2-D in the r - θ plane, and its stream function is given by

$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta$$

To do:

- (a) Derive expressions for u_r and u_{θ} and convert to u and v .
- (b) Sketch the streamlines for this flow field.

Solution:

Example: Streamlines in Cylindrical Coordinates

Given: A flow field is steady and 2-D in the r - θ plane, and its velocity field is given by

$$u_r = \frac{c}{r} \qquad u_\theta = 0 \qquad u_z = 0$$

To do: Generate an expression for stream function $\psi(r, \theta)$ and plot some streamlines.

Solution:

Derivation of the Navier-Stokes Equation (Section 9-5, Çengel and Cimbala)

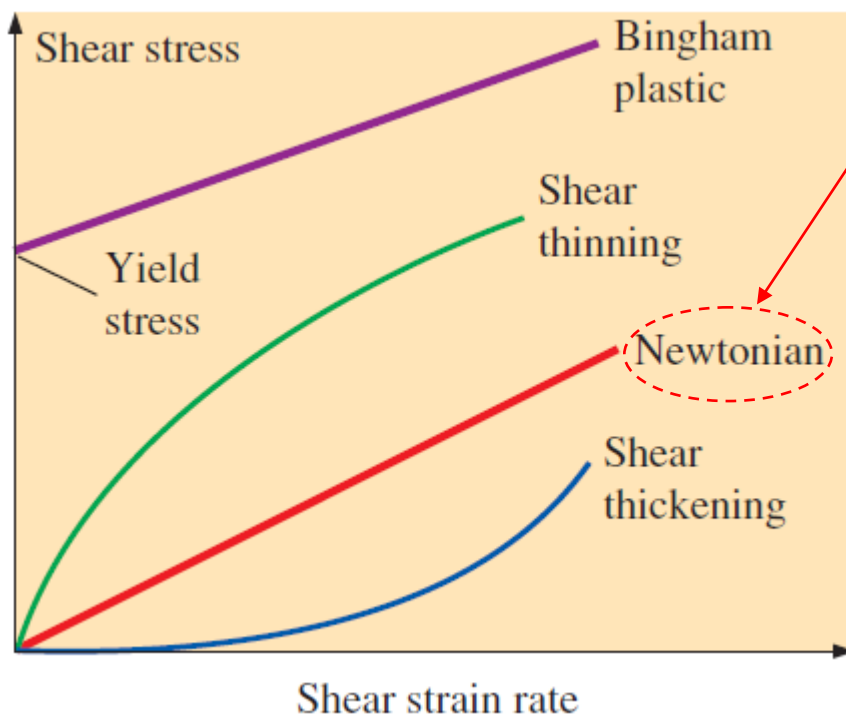
We begin with the general differential equation for conservation of linear momentum, i.e., **Cauchy's equation**, which is valid for any kind of fluid,

Cauchy's equation:
$$\rho \left[\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + (\vec{V} \cdot \nabla) \vec{V} \right] = \rho \frac{D\vec{V}}{Dt} = \rho \vec{g} + \nabla \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{ij}$$

Stress tensor

The problem is that the stress tensor σ_{ij} needs to be written in terms of the primary unknowns in the problem in order for Cauchy's equation to be useful to us. The equations that relate σ_{ij} to other variables in the problem – velocity, pressure, and fluid properties – are called **constitutive equations**. There are different constitutive equations for different kinds of fluids.

Types of fluids:



For **Newtonian fluids**, the shear stress is linearly proportional to the shear strain rate.

Examples of Newtonian fluids: water, air, oil, gasoline, most other common fluids.

Some examples of non-Newtonian fluids:

- Paint (*shear thinning* or *pseudo-plastic*)
- Toothpaste (*Bingham plastic*)
- Quicksand (*shear thickening* or *dilatant*).

We consider only Newtonian fluids in this course.

For *Newtonian fluids* (see text for derivation), it turns out that

$$\sigma_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} -P & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -P & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -P \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) & \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\ \mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) & 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} & \mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) \\ \mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) & \mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) & 2\mu \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \quad (9-57)$$

We have achieved our goal of writing σ_{ij} in terms of pressure P , velocity components u, v , and w , and fluid viscosity μ .

Now we plug this expression for the stress tensor σ_{ij} into Cauchy's equation. The result is the famous **Navier-Stokes equation**, shown here for incompressible flow.

Incompressible Navier-Stokes equation:

Navier-Stokes equation:

$$\rho \frac{D\vec{V}}{Dt} = -\vec{\nabla}P + \rho \vec{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{V} \quad (9-60)$$

To solve fluid flow problems, we need both the continuity equation and the Navier-Stokes equation. Since it is a vector equation, the Navier-Stokes equation is usually split into three components in order to solve fluid flow problems. In Cartesian coordinates,

Incompressible continuity equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (9-61a)$$

x-component of the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \rho g_x + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (9-61b)$$

y-component of the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \rho g_y + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (9-61c)$$

z-component of the incompressible Navier-Stokes equation:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + \rho g_z + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (9-61d)$$

2. Applications of the N-S Equation and Examples

Two main applications:

- Determine the pressure field for a known velocity field
- Solve fluid flow problems

Example: Stream function and how to plot streamlines

Given: A steady, 2-D, incompressible flow is given by this velocity field:

$$u = x^2 - y^2$$

$$v = -2xy$$

$$w = 0$$

There is no gravity in the x or y directions (gravity acts only in the z direction).

To do: Generate an expression for pressure $P(x,y)$ [the pressure field].

Solution:

First, it is wise to verify that this is a valid steady, incompressible velocity field. If not, the problem is ill-posed and we could not continue. To verify, it must satisfy continuity:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0$$

Now plug this velocity field into the Navier-Stokes equation.

$$\rho \frac{D\vec{V}}{Dt} = \rho \left[\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{V} \right] = -\vec{\nabla} P + \rho \vec{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{V}$$

Let's work on the x -component first:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \rho g_x + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right)$$

Now let's work on the y -component:

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \rho g_y + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right)$$