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Learning Objectives

After completing this chapter, you should be able to:

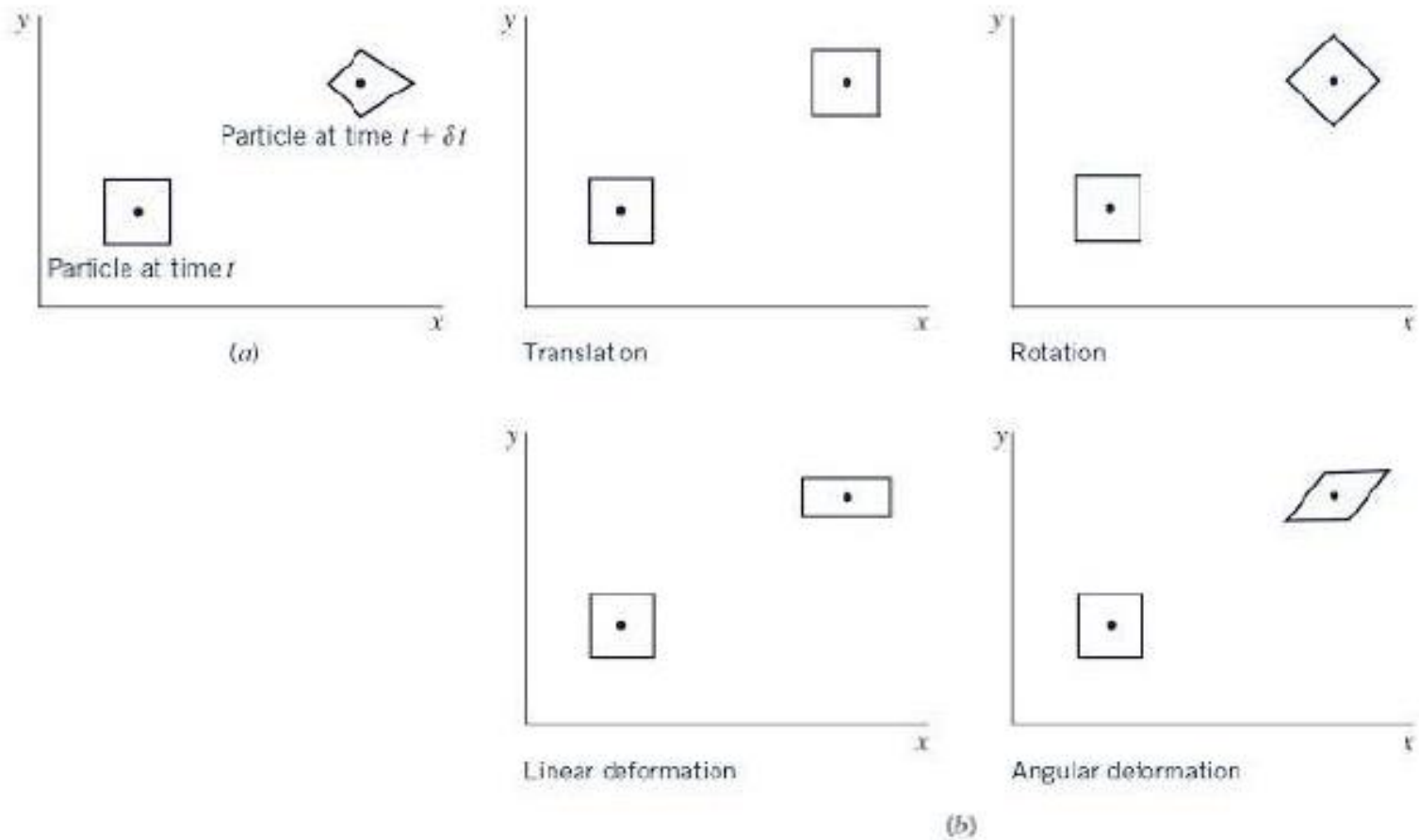
- determine various kinematic elements of the flow given the velocity field.
- explain the conditions necessary for a velocity field to satisfy the continuity equation.
- apply the concepts of stream function and velocity potential.
- characterize simple potential flow fields.
- analyze certain types of flows using the Navier–Stokes equations.

6.1

Fluid Element Kinematics

Because of the generally complex velocity variation within the field, we expect the element not only to translate from one position to another but to be deformed as well. Even though they occur simultaneously, we can break the element's complex motion into four components: *translation*, *rotation*, *linear deformation*, and *angular deformation*, as shown in Fig. 6.1b. Since element motion and deformation are intimately related to the velocity and variation of velocity throughout the flow field, we will briefly review the manner in which velocity and acceleration fields can be described.

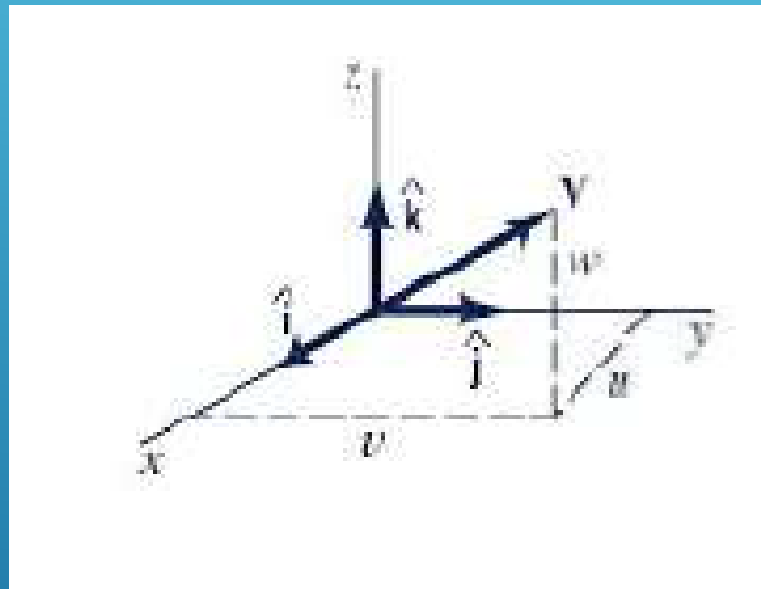
Fluid element motion consists of translation, linear deformation, rotation, and angular deformation.



■ **Figure 6.1** General fluid element motion and its components: (a) total element motion; (b) components of element motion.

6.1.1 Velocity and Acceleration Fields Revisited

$$\mathbf{V} = u\hat{i} + v\hat{j} + w\hat{k} \quad (6.1)$$



$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial z} \quad (6.2)$$

$$a_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \quad (6.3a)$$

$$a_y = \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \quad (6.3b)$$

$$a_z = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \quad (6.3c)$$

The acceleration of a fluid particle is described using the material derivative.

The acceleration is also concisely expressed as

$$\mathbf{a} = \frac{D\mathbf{V}}{Dt} \quad (6.4)$$

where the operator

$$\frac{D(\)}{Dt} = \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial z} \quad (6.5)$$

is termed the *material derivative*, or *substantial derivative*. In vector notation

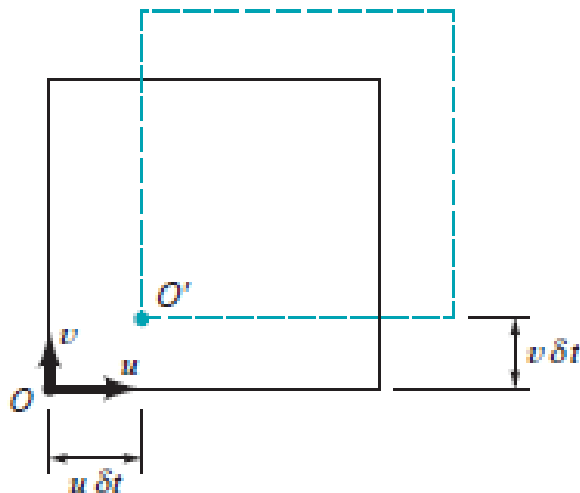
$$\frac{D(\)}{Dt} = \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla)(\) \quad (6.6)$$

where the gradient operator, $\nabla(\)$, is

$$\nabla(\) = \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial x} \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial y} \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \frac{\partial(\)}{\partial z} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \quad (6.7)$$

6.1.2 Linear Motion and Deformation

The simplest type of motion that a fluid element can undergo is translation



■ FIGURE 6.2 Translation of a fluid element.

The corresponding change in the original volume, $\delta \mathcal{V} = \delta x \delta y \delta z$, would be

This rate of change of the volume per unit volume is called the *volumetric dilatation rate*.

However, for an *incompressible fluid* the volumetric dilatation rate is zero

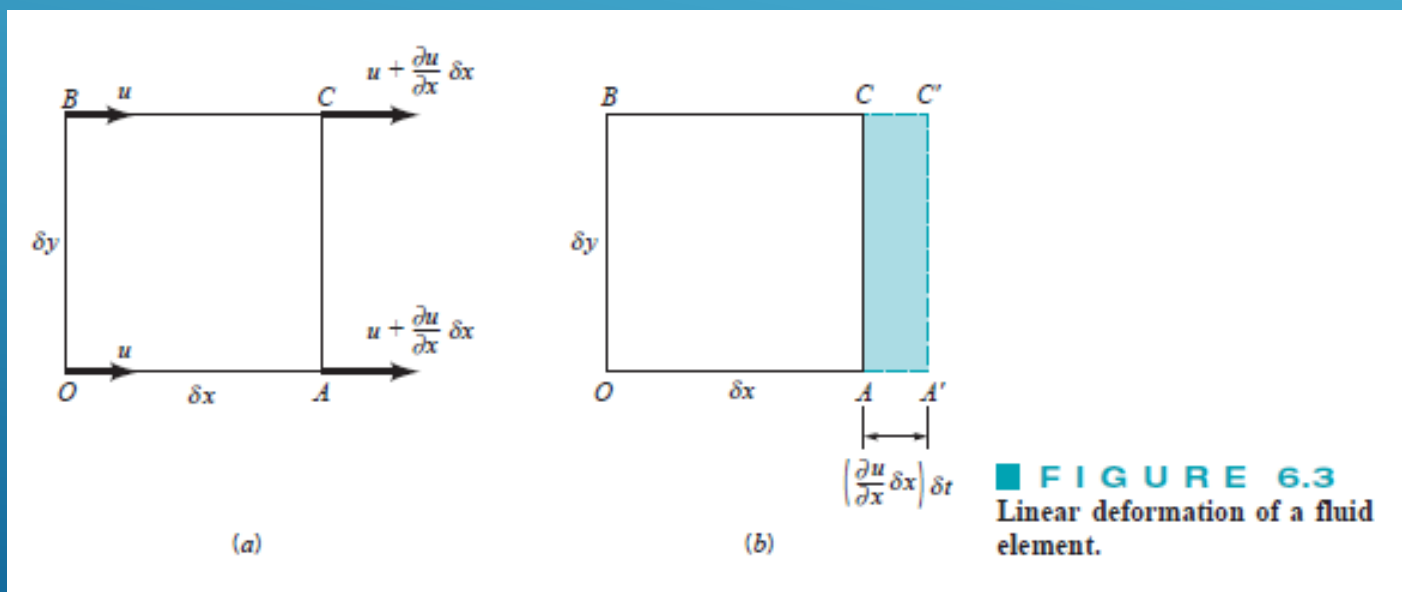
$$\text{Change in } \delta \mathcal{V} = \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \delta x \right) (\delta y \delta z) (\delta t)$$

and the *rate* at which the volume $\delta \mathcal{V}$ is changing *per unit volume* due to the gradient $\partial u / \partial x$ is

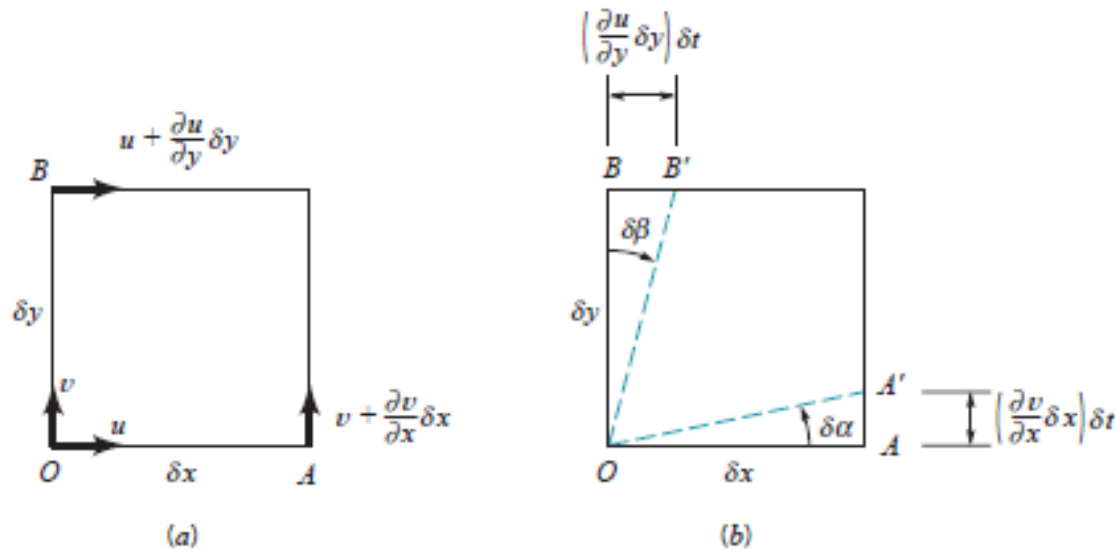
$$\frac{1}{\delta \mathcal{V}} \frac{d(\delta \mathcal{V})}{dt} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\partial u / \partial x) \delta t}{\delta t} \right] = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \quad (6.8)$$

If velocity gradients $\partial v / \partial y$ and $\partial w / \partial z$ are also present, then using a similar analysis it follows that, in the general case,

$$\frac{1}{\delta \mathcal{V}} \frac{d(\delta \mathcal{V})}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} \quad (6.9)$$



6.1.3 Angular Motion and Deformation



■ FIGURE 6.4
Angular motion and deformation
of a fluid element.

$$\omega_{OA} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \alpha}{\delta t}$$

For small angles

$$\tan \delta \alpha \approx \delta \alpha = \frac{(\partial v / \partial x) \delta x \delta t}{\delta x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \delta t \quad (6.10)$$

so that

$$\omega_{OA} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\partial v / \partial x) \delta t}{\delta t} \right] = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Note that if $\partial v / \partial x$ is positive, ω_{OA} will be counterclockwise. Similarly, the angular velocity of the line OB is

$$\omega_{OB} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta \beta}{\delta t}$$

and

$$\tan \delta \beta \approx \delta \beta = \frac{(\partial u / \partial y) \delta y \delta t}{\delta y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \delta t \quad (6.11)$$

so that

$$\omega_{OB} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\partial u / \partial y) \delta t}{\delta t} \right] = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

In this instance if $\partial u/\partial y$ is positive, ω_{OB} will be clockwise. The *rotation*, ω_z , of the element about the z axis is defined as the average of the angular velocities ω_{OA} and ω_{OB} of the two mutually perpendicular lines OA and OB .¹ Thus, if counterclockwise rotation is considered to be positive, it follows that

$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \quad (6.12)$$

Rotation of the field element about the other two coordinate axes can be obtained in a similar manner with the result that for rotation about the x axis

$$\omega_x = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.13)$$

and for rotation about the y axis

$$\omega_y = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \quad (6.14)$$

The three components, ω_x , ω_y , and ω_z can be combined to give the rotation vector, ω , in the form

$$\omega = \omega_x \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \omega_y \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \omega_z \hat{\mathbf{k}} \quad (6.15)$$

An examination of this result reveals that ω is equal to one-half the curl of the velocity vector. That is,

$$\omega = \frac{1}{2} \text{curl } \mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{V} \quad (6.16)$$

since by definition of the vector operator $\nabla \times \mathbf{V}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \nabla \times \mathbf{V} &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{i}} & \hat{\mathbf{j}} & \hat{\mathbf{k}} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \hat{\mathbf{k}} \end{aligned}$$

The *vorticity*, ζ , is defined as a vector that is twice the rotation vector; that is,

$$\zeta = 2 \omega = \nabla \times \mathbf{V} \quad (6.17)$$

More generally if $\nabla \times \mathbf{V} = 0$, then the rotation (and the vorticity) are zero.

EXAMPLE 6.1 Vorticity

GIVEN For a certain two-dimensional flow field the velocity is given by the equation

$$\mathbf{V} = (x^2 - y^2)\hat{\mathbf{i}} - 2xy\hat{\mathbf{j}}$$

FIND Is this flow irrotational?

SOLUTION

For an irrotational flow the rotation vector, $\boldsymbol{\omega}$, having the components given by Eqs. 6.12, 6.13, and 6.14 must be zero. For the prescribed velocity field

$$u = x^2 - y^2 \quad v = -2xy \quad w = 0$$

and therefore

$$\omega_x = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = 0$$

$$\omega_y = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) = 0$$

$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \frac{1}{2} [(-2y) - (-2y)] = 0$$

Thus, the flow is irrotational.

(Ans)

COMMENTS It is to be noted that for a two-dimensional flow field (where the flow is in the x - y plane) ω_x and ω_y will always be

zero, since by definition of two-dimensional flow u and v are not functions of z , and w is zero. In this instance the condition for irrotationality simply becomes $\omega_z = 0$ or $\partial v/\partial x = \partial u/\partial y$.

The streamlines for the steady, two-dimensional flow of this example are shown in Fig. E6.1. (Information about how to calculate

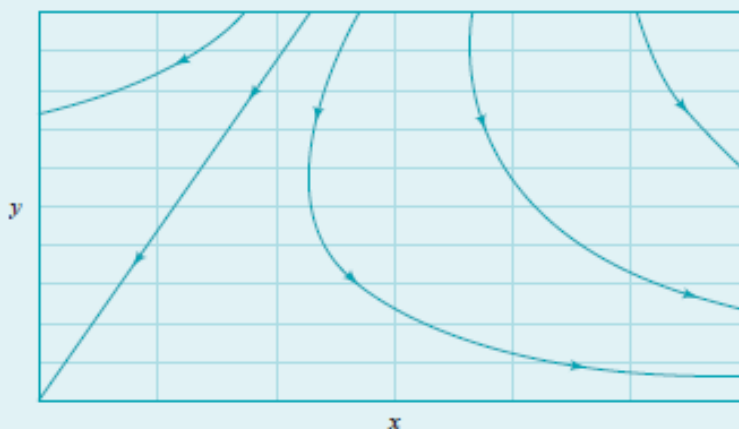


FIGURE E6.1

In addition to the rotation associated with the derivatives $\partial u/\partial y$ and $\partial v/\partial x$, it is observed from Fig. 6.4b that these derivatives can cause the fluid element to undergo an *angular deformation*, which results in a change in shape of the element. The change in the original right angle formed by the lines OA and OB is termed the shearing strain, $\delta\gamma$, and from Fig. 6.4b

$$\delta\gamma = \delta\alpha + \delta\beta$$

where $\delta\gamma$ is considered to be positive if the original right angle is decreasing. The rate of change of $\delta\gamma$ is called the *rate of shearing strain* or the *rate of angular deformation* and is commonly denoted with the symbol $\dot{\gamma}$. The angles $\delta\alpha$ and $\delta\beta$ are related to the velocity gradients through Eqs. 6.10 and 6.11 so that

$$\dot{\gamma} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta\gamma}{\delta t} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{(\partial v/\partial x) \delta t + (\partial u/\partial y) \delta t}{\delta t} \right]$$

and, therefore,

$$\dot{\gamma} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad (6.18)$$

6.2 Conservation of Mass

As is discussed in Section 5.1, conservation of mass requires that the mass, M , of a system remain constant as the system moves through the flow field. In equation form this principle is expressed as

$$\frac{DM_{\text{sys}}}{Dt} = 0$$

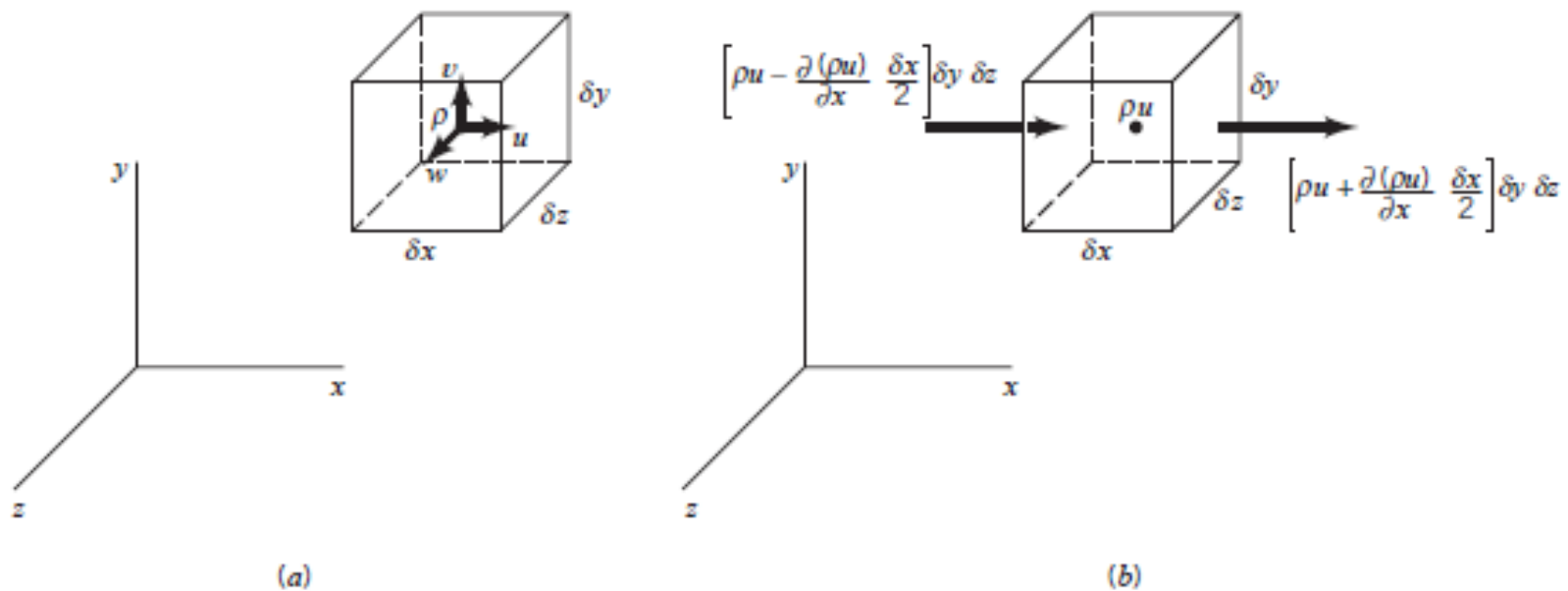
We found it convenient to use the control volume approach for fluid flow problems, with the control volume representation of the conservation of mass written as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\text{cv}} \rho d\mathcal{V} + \int_{\text{cs}} \rho \mathbf{V} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dA = 0 \quad (6.19)$$

6.2.1 Differential Form of Continuity Equation

We will take as our control volume the small, stationary cubical element shown in Fig. 6.5a. At the center of the element the fluid density is ρ and the velocity has components u , v , and w . Since the element is small, the volume integral in Eq. 6.19 can be expressed as

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{cv} \rho dV \approx \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.20)$$



■ FIGURE 6.5 A differential element for the development of conservation of mass equation.

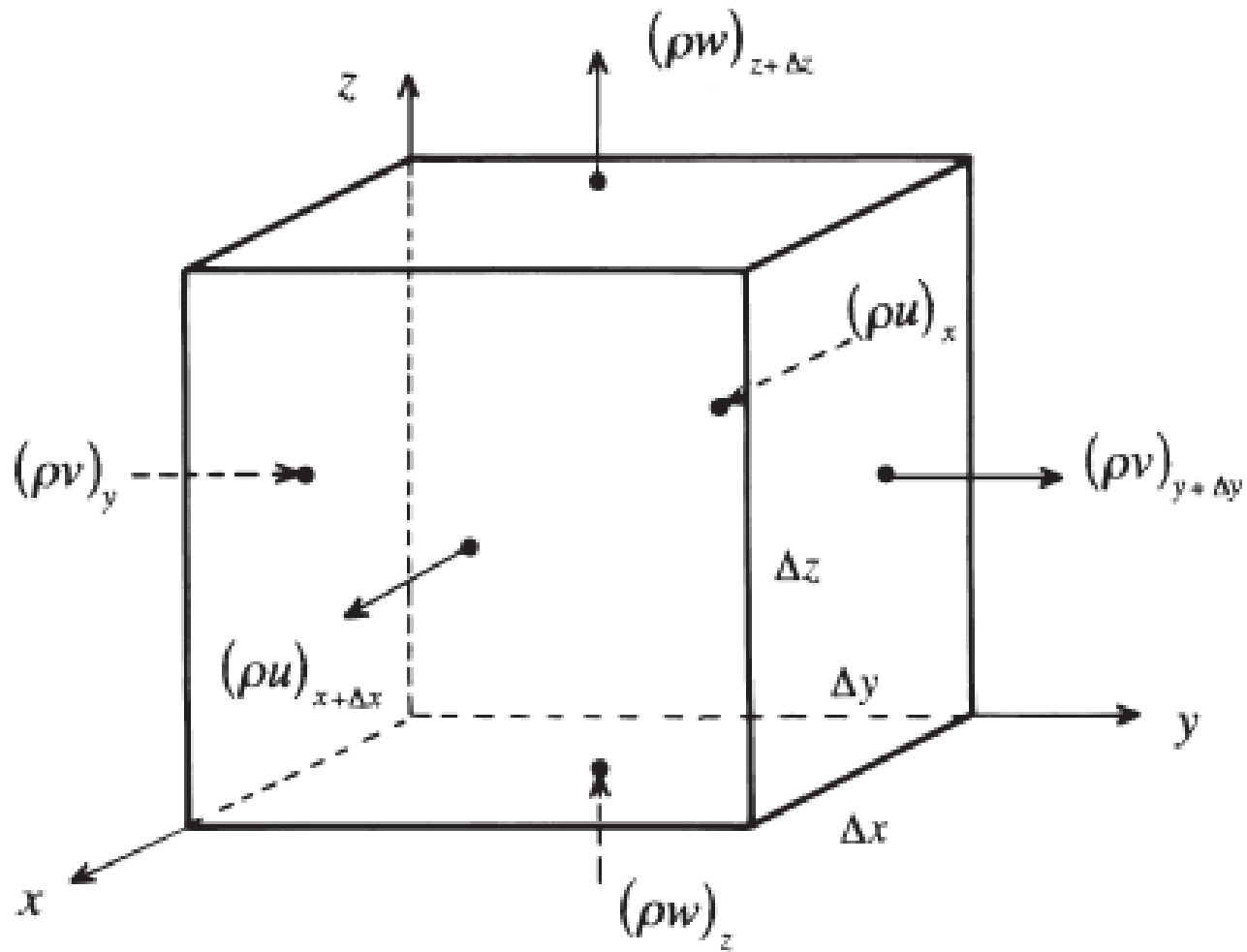


FIG. 1. – Mass flow into and out of a small rectangular region of space.

The rate of mass flow through the surfaces of the element can be obtained by considering the flow in each of the coordinate directions separately. For example, in Fig. 6.5*b* flow in the x direction is depicted. If we let ρu represent the x component of the mass rate of flow per unit area at the center of the element, then on the right face

$$\rho u|_{x+(\delta x/2)} = \rho u + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \frac{\delta x}{2} \quad (6.21)$$

and on the left face

$$\rho u|_{x-(\delta x/2)} = \rho u - \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \frac{\delta x}{2} \quad (6.22)$$

Note that we are really using a Taylor series expansion of ρu and neglecting higher order terms such as $(\delta x)^2$, $(\delta x)^3$, and so on. When the right-hand sides of Eqs. 6.21 and 6.22 are multiplied by the area $\delta y \delta z$, the rate at which mass is crossing the right and left sides of the element are obtained as is illustrated in Fig. 6.5*b*. When these two expressions are combined, the net rate of mass flowing from the element through the two surfaces can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Net rate of mass} \\ \text{outflow in } x \text{ direction} &= \left[\rho u + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \frac{\delta x}{2} \right] \delta y \delta z \\ &\quad - \left[\rho u - \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \frac{\delta x}{2} \right] \delta y \delta z = \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.23) \end{aligned}$$

For simplicity, only flow in the x direction has been considered in Fig. 6.5*b*, but, in general, there will also be flow in the y and z directions. An analysis similar to the one used for flow in the x direction shows that

$$\text{Net rate of mass outflow in } y \text{ direction} = \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.24)$$

and

$$\text{Net rate of mass outflow in } z \text{ direction} = \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.25)$$

Thus,

$$\text{Net rate of mass outflow} = \left[\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} \right] \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.26)$$

From Eqs. 6.19, 6.20, and 6.26 it now follows that the differential equation for conservation of mass is

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.27)$$

The continuity equation is one of the fundamental equations of fluid mechanics and, as expressed in Eq. 6.27, is valid for steady or unsteady flow, and compressible or incompressible fluids. In vector notation, Eq. 6.27 can be written as

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{V} = 0 \quad (6.28)$$

Two special cases are of particular interest. For *steady* flow of *compressible* fluids

$$\nabla \cdot \rho \mathbf{V} = 0$$

or

$$\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.29)$$

This follows since by definition ρ is not a function of time for steady flow, but could be a function of position. For *incompressible* fluids the fluid density, ρ , is a constant throughout the flow field so that Eq. 6.28 becomes

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0 \quad (6.30)$$

or

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.31)$$

EXAMPLE 6.2 Continuity Equation

GIVEN The velocity components for a certain incompressible, steady flow field are

$$u = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$$

$$v = xy + yz + z$$

$$w = ?$$

SOLUTION

Any physically possible velocity distribution must for an incompressible fluid satisfy conservation of mass as expressed by the continuity equation

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

For the given velocity distribution

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = x + z$$

FIND Determine the form of the z component, w , required to satisfy the continuity equation.

so that the required expression for $\partial w/\partial z$ is

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = -2x - (x + z) = -3x - z$$

Integration with respect to z yields

$$w = -3xz - \frac{z^2}{2} + f(x, y) \quad (\text{Ans})$$

COMMENT The third velocity component cannot be explicitly determined since the function $f(x, y)$ can have any form and conservation of mass will still be satisfied. The specific form of this function will be governed by the flow field described by these velocity components—that is, some additional information is needed to completely determine w .

6.2.2 Cylindrical Polar Coordinates

$$\mathbf{V} = v_r \hat{e}_r + v_\theta \hat{e}_\theta + v_z \hat{e}_z \quad (6.32)$$

where \hat{e}_r , \hat{e}_θ , and \hat{e}_z are the unit vectors in the r , θ , and z directions, respectively, as are illustrated in Fig. 6.6. The use of cylindrical coordinates is particularly convenient when the boundaries of the flow system are cylindrical. Several examples illustrating the use of cylindrical coordinates will be given in succeeding sections in this chapter.

The differential form of the continuity equation in cylindrical coordinates is

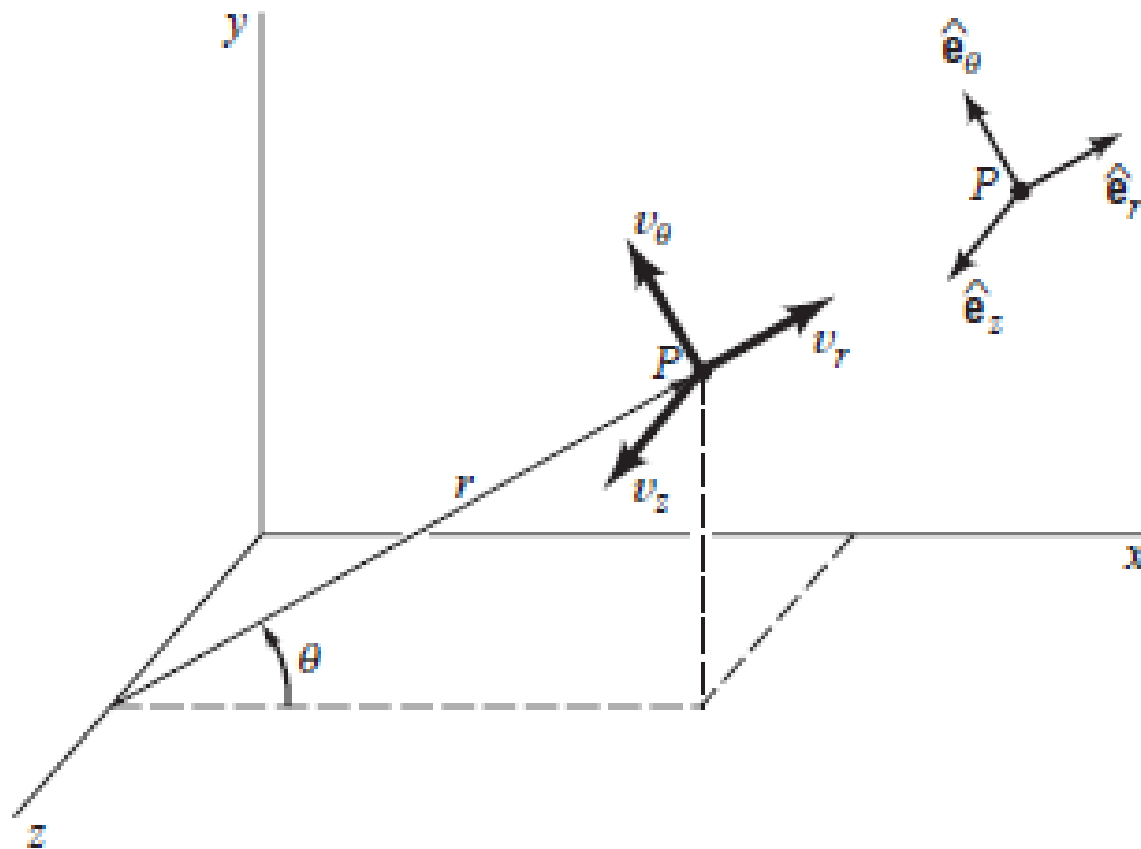
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r \rho v_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (\rho v_\theta)}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial (\rho v_z)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.33)$$

This equation can be derived by following the same procedure used in the preceding section (see Problem 6.20). For steady, compressible flow

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r \rho v_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (\rho v_\theta)}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial (\rho v_z)}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.34)$$

For incompressible fluids (for steady or unsteady flow)

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial (r v_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} = 0 \quad (6.35)$$



■ **FIGURE 6.6** The representation of velocity components in cylindrical polar coordinates.

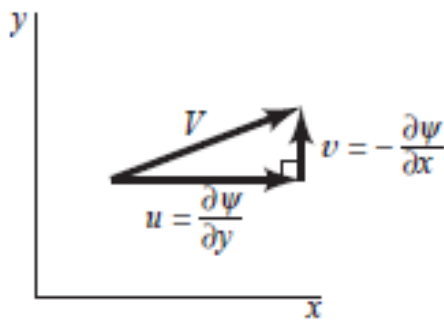
6.2.3 The Stream Function

Steady, incompressible, plane, two-dimensional flow represents one of the simplest types of flow of practical importance. By plane, two-dimensional flow we mean that there are only two velocity components, such as u and v , when the flow is considered to be in the x - y plane. For this flow the continuity equation, Eq. 6.31, reduces to

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (6.36)$$

We still have two variables, u and v , to deal with, but they must be related in a special way as indicated by Eq. 6.36. This equation suggests that if we define a function $\psi(x, y)$, called the *stream function*, which relates the velocities shown by the figure in the margin as

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad (6.37)$$



Velocity components in a two-dimensional flow field can be expressed in terms of a stream function.

then the continuity equation is identically satisfied. This conclusion can be verified by simply substituting the expressions for u and v into Eq. 6.36 so that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(-\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y \partial x} = 0$$

Thus, whenever the velocity components are defined in terms of the stream function we know that conservation of mass will be satisfied. Of course, we still do not know what $\psi(x, y)$ is for a particular problem, but at least we have simplified the analysis by having to determine only one unknown function, $\psi(x, y)$, rather than the two functions, $u(x, y)$ and $v(x, y)$.

Another particular advantage of using the stream function is related to the fact that *lines along which ψ is constant are streamlines*. Recall from Section 4.1.4 that streamlines are lines in the flow field that are everywhere tangent to the velocities, as is illustrated in Fig. 6.7. It follows from the definition of the streamline that the slope at any point along a streamline is given by

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v}{u}$$

The change in the value of ψ as we move from one point (x, y) to a nearby point $(x + dx, y + dy)$ is given by the relationship:

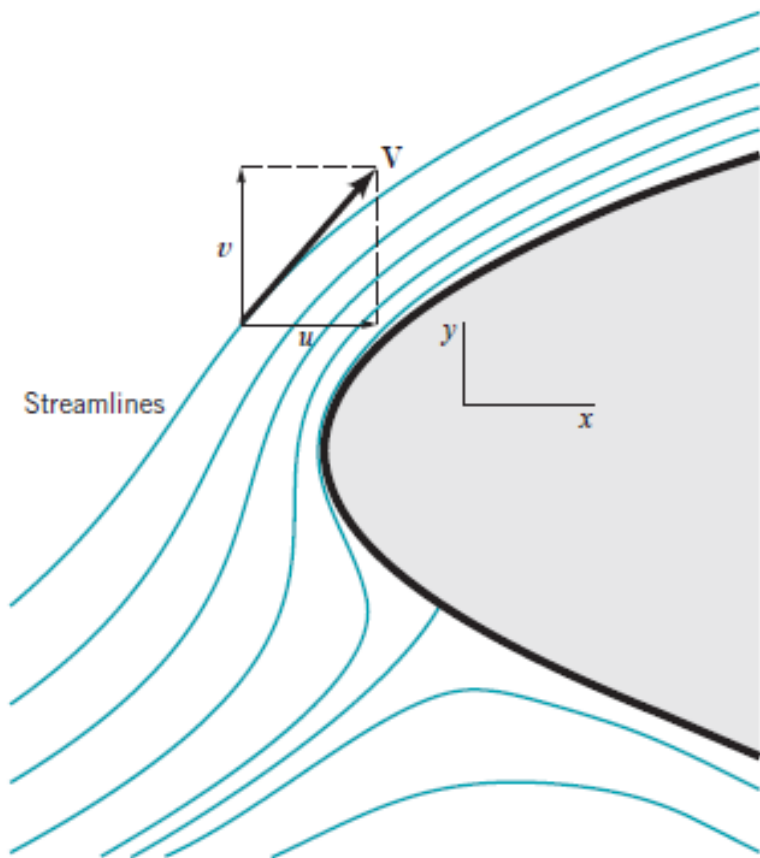
$$d\psi = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y} dy = -v dx + u dy$$

Along a line of constant ψ we have $d\psi = 0$ so that

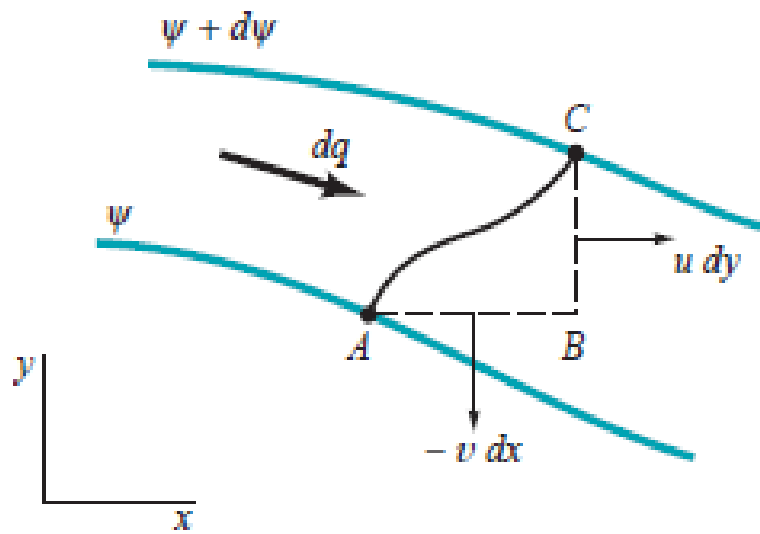
$$-v dx + u dy = 0$$

and, therefore, along a line of constant ψ

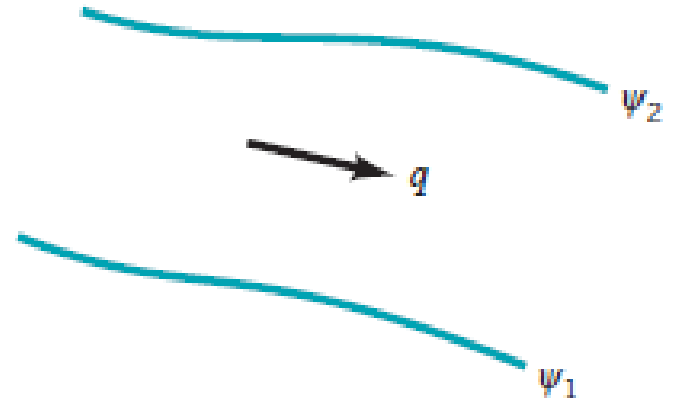
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v}{u}$$



■ **FIGURE 6.7** Velocity and velocity components along a streamline.



(a)



(b)

■ **FIGURE 6.8** The flow between two streamlines.

$$dq = u dy - v dx$$

or in terms of the stream function

$$dq = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} dx \quad (6.38)$$

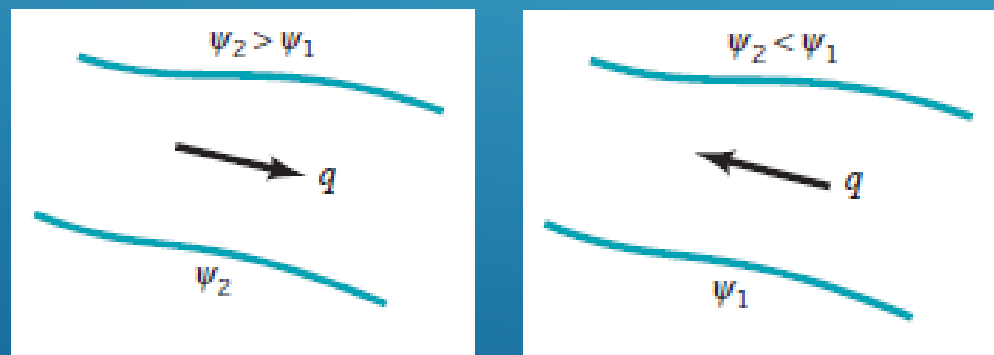
The right-hand side of Eq. 6.38 is equal to $d\psi$ so that

$$dq = d\psi \quad (6.39)$$

Thus, the volume rate of flow, q , between two streamlines such as ψ_1 and ψ_2 of Fig. 6.8b can be determined by integrating Eq. 6.39 to yield

$$q = \int_{\psi_1}^{\psi_2} d\psi = \psi_2 - \psi_1 \quad (6.40)$$

The relative value of ψ_2 with respect to ψ_1 determines the direction of flow, as shown by the figure in the margin.



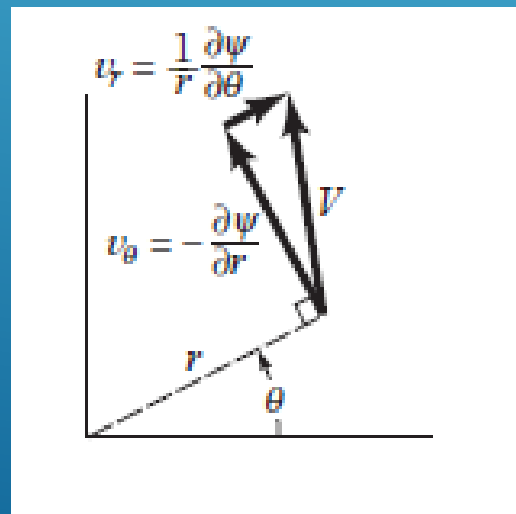
In cylindrical coordinates the continuity equation (Eq. 6.35) for incompressible, plane, two-dimensional flow reduces to

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial(rv_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \theta} = 0 \quad (6.41)$$

and the velocity components, v_r and v_θ , can be related to the stream function, $\psi(r, \theta)$, through the equations

$$v_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \quad v_\theta = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \quad (6.42)$$

as shown by the figure in the margin.



EXAMPLE 6.3 Stream Function

GIVEN The velocity components in a steady, incompressible, two-dimensional flow field are

$$u = 2y$$

$$v = 4x$$

FIND

- Determine the corresponding stream function and
- Show on a sketch several streamlines. Indicate the direction of flow along the streamlines.

SOLUTION

(a) From the definition of the stream function (Eqs. 6.37)

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} = 2y$$

and

$$v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} = 4x$$

The first of these equations can be integrated to give

$$\psi = y^2 + f_1(x)$$

where $f_1(x)$ is an arbitrary function of x . Similarly from the second equation

$$\psi = -2x^2 + f_2(y)$$

where $f_2(y)$ is an arbitrary function of y . It now follows that in order to satisfy both expressions for the stream function

$$\psi = -2x^2 + y^2 + C \quad (\text{Ans})$$

where C is an arbitrary constant.

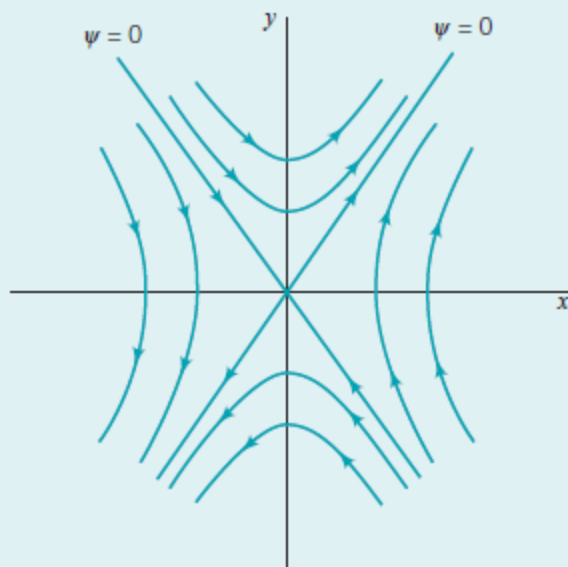


FIGURE E6.3

6.3 Conservation of Linear Momentum

To develop the differential momentum equations we can start with the linear momentum equation

$$\mathbf{F} = \left. \frac{D\mathbf{P}}{Dt} \right|_{\text{sys}} \quad (6.43)$$

where \mathbf{F} is the resultant force acting on a fluid mass, \mathbf{P} is the linear momentum defined as

$$\mathbf{P} = \int_{\text{sys}} \mathbf{V} \, dm$$

$$\sum \mathbf{F}_{\text{contents of the control volume}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{\text{cv}} \mathbf{V} \rho \, d\mathcal{V} + \int_{\text{cs}} \mathbf{V} \rho \mathbf{V} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \, dA \quad (6.44)$$

$$\delta \mathbf{F} = \frac{D(\mathbf{V} \, \delta m)}{Dt}$$

It is probably simpler to use the system approach

where δF is the resultant force acting on δm . Using this system approach δm can be treated as a constant so that

$$\delta F = \delta m \frac{DV}{Dt}$$

But DV/Dt is the acceleration, a , of the element. Thus,

$$\delta F = \delta m a \quad (6.45)$$

6.3.1 Description of Forces Acting on the Differential Element

In general, two types of forces need to be considered: *surface forces*, which act on the surface of the differential element, and *body forces*, which are distributed throughout the element. For our purpose, the only body force, δF_b , of interest is the weight of the element, which can be expressed as

$$\delta F_b = \delta m \mathbf{g} \quad (6.46)$$

where \mathbf{g} is the vector representation of the acceleration of gravity. In component form

$$\delta F_{bx} = \delta m g_x \quad (6.47a)$$

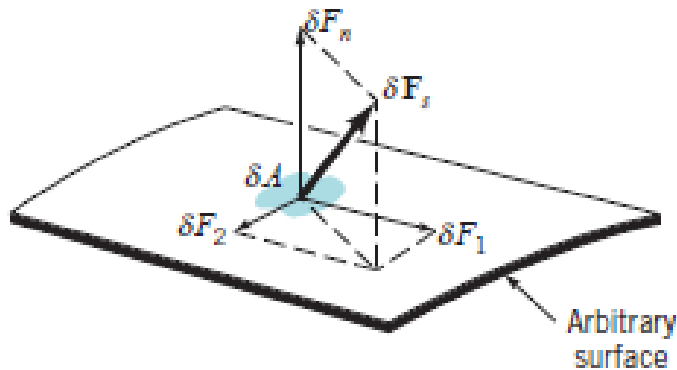
$$\delta F_{by} = \delta m g_y \quad (6.47b)$$

$$\delta F_{bz} = \delta m g_z \quad (6.47c)$$

Surface forces act on the element as a result of its interaction with its surroundings.

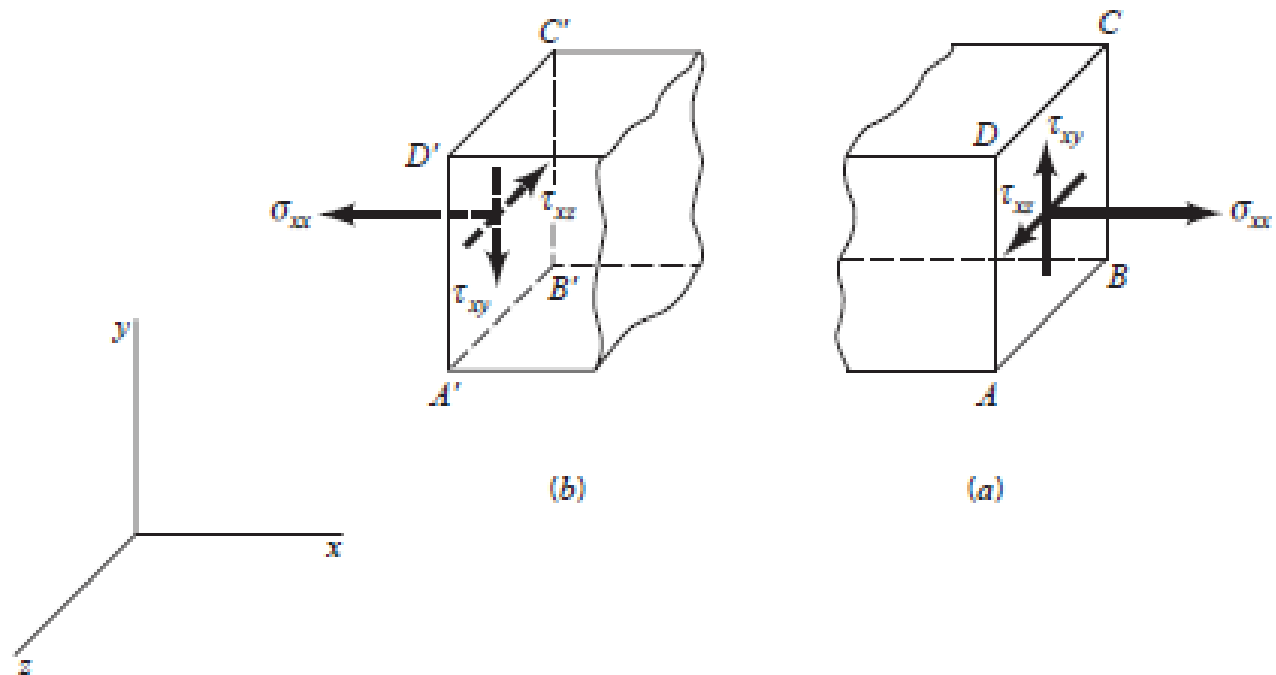
The *normal stress*, σ_n , is defined as

$$\sigma_n = \lim_{\delta A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta F_n}{\delta A}$$



■ **FIGURE 6.9** Components of force acting on an arbitrary differential area.

The force δF_s can be resolved into three components, δF_n , δF_1 , and δF_2 , where δF_n is normal to the area, δA , and δF_1 and δF_2 are parallel to the area and orthogonal to each other.



■ FIGURE 6.10 Double subscript notation for stresses.

and the *shearing stresses* are defined as

$$\tau_1 = \lim_{\delta A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta F_1}{\delta A}$$

and

$$\tau_2 = \lim_{\delta A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta F_2}{\delta A}$$

We will use σ for normal stresses and τ for shearing stresses.

For simplicity only the forces in the x direction are shown. Note that the stresses must be multiplied by the area on which they act to obtain the force. Summing all these forces in the x direction yields

$$\delta F_{sx} = \left(\frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} \right) \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.48a)$$

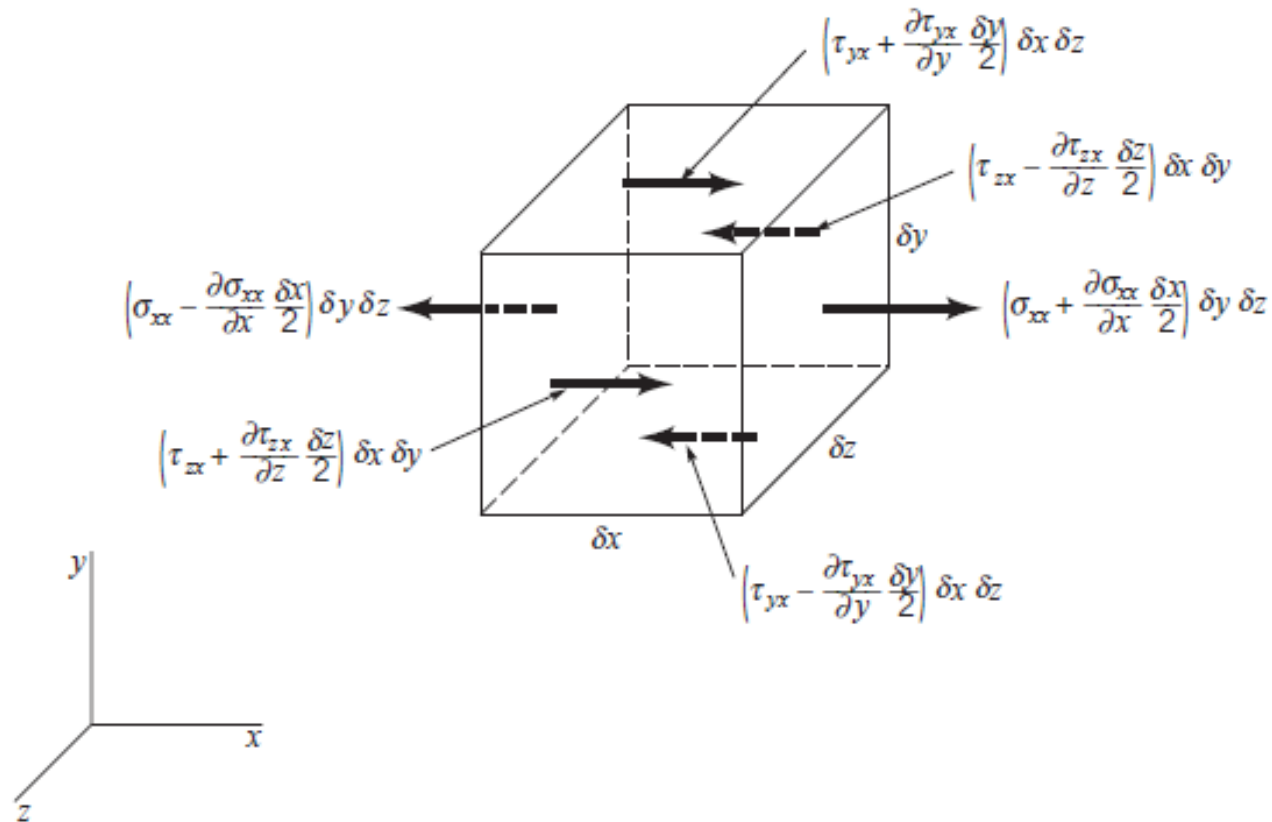


FIGURE 6.11 Surface forces in the x direction acting on a fluid element.

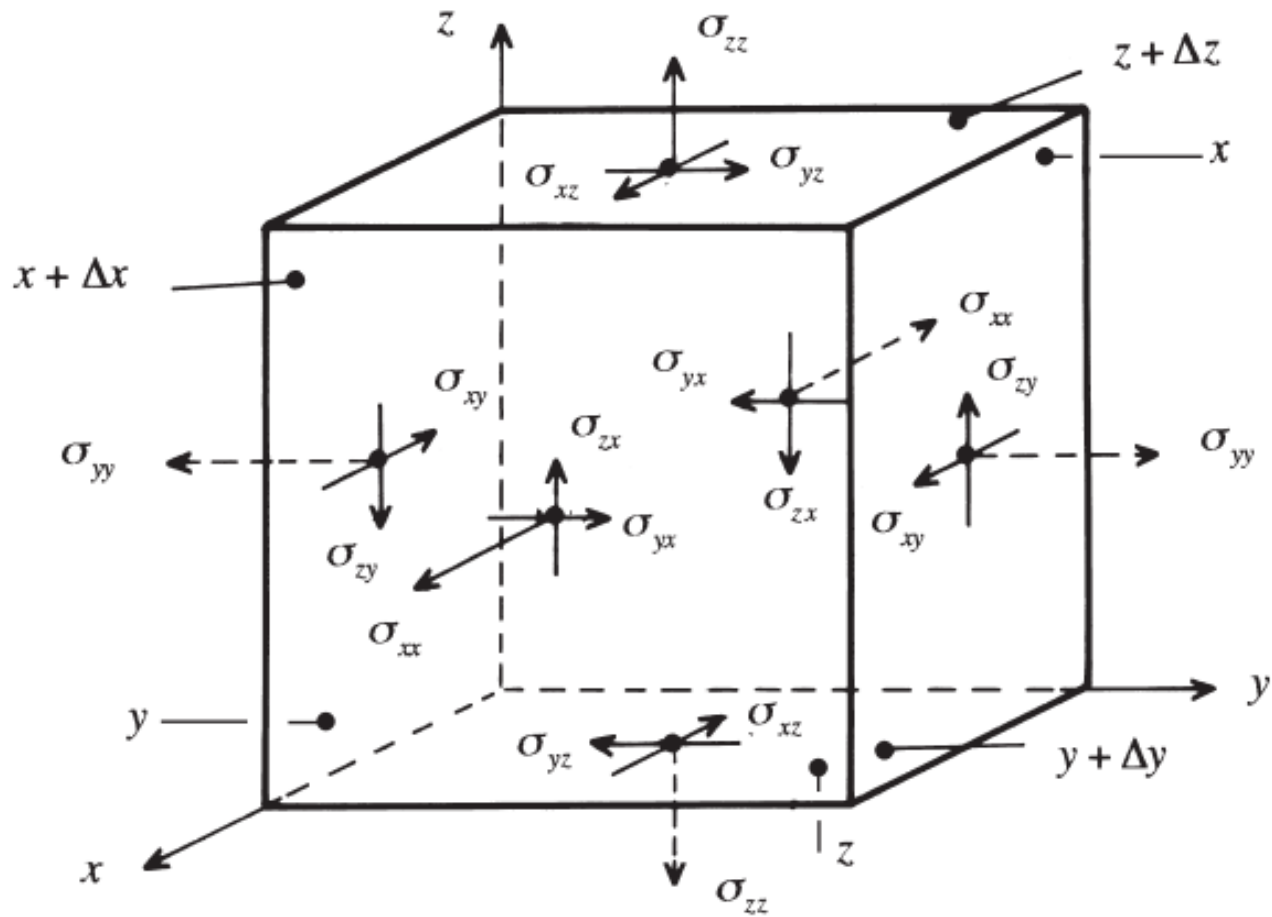


FIG 6.12 Normal and tangential surface forces per unit area (stress) on a small rectangular fluid element in motion.

for the resultant surface force in the x direction. In a similar manner the resultant surface forces in the y and z directions can be obtained and expressed as

$$\delta F_{sy} = \left(\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} \right) \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.48b)$$

$$\delta F_{sz} = \left(\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} \right) \delta x \delta y \delta z \quad (6.48c)$$

The resultant surface force can now be expressed as

$$\delta \mathbf{F}_s = \delta F_{sx} \hat{\mathbf{i}} + \delta F_{sy} \hat{\mathbf{j}} + \delta F_{sz} \hat{\mathbf{k}} \quad (6.49)$$

and this force combined with the body force, $\delta \mathbf{F}_b$, yields the resultant force, $\delta \mathbf{F}$, acting on the differential mass, δm . That is, $\delta \mathbf{F} = \delta \mathbf{F}_s + \delta \mathbf{F}_b$.

6.3.2 Equations of Motion

The expressions for the body and surface forces can now be used in conjunction with Eq. 6.45 to develop the equations of motion. In component form Eq. 6.45 can be written as

$$\delta F_x = \delta m a_x$$

$$\delta F_y = \delta m a_y$$

$$\delta F_z = \delta m a_z$$

where $\delta m = \rho \delta x \delta y \delta z$, and the acceleration components are given by Eq. 6.3. It now follows (using Eqs. 6.47 and 6.48 for the forces on the element) that

$$\rho g_x + \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.50a)$$

$$\rho g_y + \frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.50b)$$

$$\rho g_z + \frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.50c)$$

where the element volume $\delta x \delta y \delta z$ cancels out.

6.4 Inviscid Flow

Flow fields in which the shearing stresses are assumed to be negligible are said to be *inviscid*, *nonviscous*, or *frictionless*.

As is discussed in Section 2.1, for fluids in which there are no shearing stresses the normal stress at a point is independent of direction—that is, $\sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \sigma_{zz}$. In this instance we define the pressure, p , as the negative of the normal stress so that

$$-p = \sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \sigma_{zz}$$

The negative sign is used so that a *compressive* normal stress (which is what we expect in a fluid) will give a *positive* value for p .

6.4.1 Euler's Equations of Motion

For an inviscid flow in which all the shearing stresses are zero, and the normal stresses are replaced by $-p$, the general equations of motion (Eqs. 6.50) reduce to

$$\rho g_x - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.51a)$$

$$\rho g_y - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.51b)$$

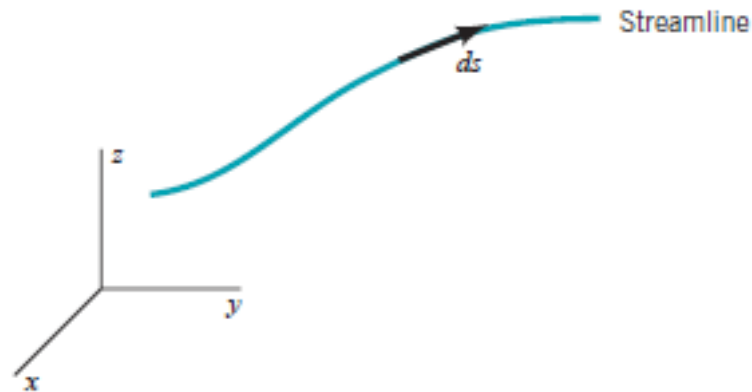
$$\rho g_z - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.51c)$$

These equations are commonly referred to as *Euler's equations of motion*, named in honor of Leonhard Euler (1707–1783), a famous Swiss mathematician who pioneered work on the relationship between pressure and flow. In vector notation Euler's equations can be expressed as

$$\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla p = \rho \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{V} \right] \quad (6.52)$$

6.4.2 The Bernoulli Equation

In Section 3.2 the Bernoulli equation was derived by a direct application of Newton's second law to a fluid particle moving along a streamline. In this section we will again derive this important



■ **FIGURE 6.12** The notation for differential length along a streamline.

equation, starting from Euler's equations. Of course, we should obtain the same result since Euler's equations simply represent a statement of Newton's second law expressed in a general form that is useful for flow problems and maintains the restriction of zero viscosity. We will restrict our attention to steady flow so Euler's equation in vector form becomes

$$\rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla p = \rho(\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{V} \quad (6.53)$$

We wish to integrate this differential equation along some arbitrary streamline (Fig. 6.12) and select the coordinate system with the z axis vertical (with “up” being positive) so that, as shown by the figure in the margin, the acceleration of gravity vector can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{g} = -g\nabla z$$

where g is the magnitude of the acceleration of gravity vector. Also, it will be convenient to use the vector identity

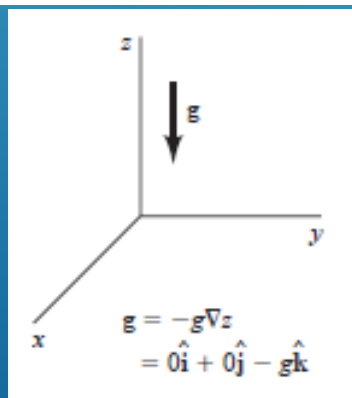
$$(\mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{V} = \frac{1}{2}\nabla(\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{V}) - \mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})$$

Equation 6.53 can now be written in the form

$$-\rho g \nabla z - \nabla p = \frac{\rho}{2} \nabla(\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{V}) - \rho \mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})$$

and this equation can be rearranged to yield

$$\frac{\nabla p}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla(V^2) + g \nabla z = \mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})$$



We next take the dot product of each term with a differential length ds along a streamline (Fig. 6.12). Thus,

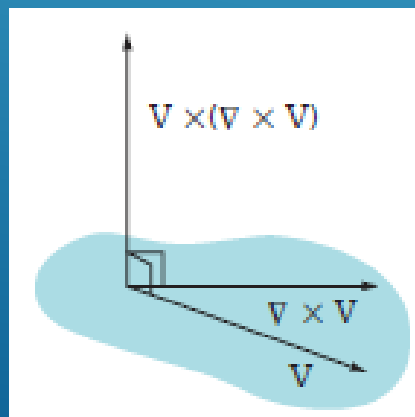
$$\frac{\nabla p}{\rho} \cdot ds + \frac{1}{2} \nabla(V^2) \cdot ds + g \nabla z \cdot ds = [\mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})] \cdot ds \quad (6.54)$$

Since ds has a direction along the streamline, the vectors ds and \mathbf{V} are parallel. However, as shown by the figure in the margin, the vector $\mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})$ is perpendicular to \mathbf{V} (why?), so it follows that

$$[\mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})] \cdot ds = 0$$

Recall also that the dot product of the gradient of a scalar and a differential length gives the differential change in the scalar in the direction of the differential length. That is, with $ds = dx \hat{\mathbf{i}} + dy \hat{\mathbf{j}} + dz \hat{\mathbf{k}}$ we can write $\nabla p \cdot ds = (\partial p / \partial x) dx + (\partial p / \partial y) dy + (\partial p / \partial z) dz = dp$. Thus, Eq. 6.54 becomes

$$\frac{dp}{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} d(V^2) + g dz = 0 \quad (6.55)$$



Euler's equations can be arranged to give the relationship among pressure, velocity, and elevation for inviscid fluids

where the change in p , V , and z is along the streamline. Equation 6.55 can now be integrated to give

$$\int \frac{dp}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz = \text{constant} \quad (6.56)$$

which indicates that the sum of the three terms on the left side of the equation must remain a constant along a given streamline. Equation 6.56 is valid for both compressible and incompressible

inviscid flows, but for compressible fluids the variation in ρ with p must be specified before the first term in Eq. 6.56 can be evaluated.

For inviscid, incompressible fluids (commonly called *ideal fluids*) Eq. 6.56 can be written as

$$\frac{p}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz = \text{constant along a streamline} \quad (6.57)$$

and this equation is the *Bernoulli equation* used extensively in Chapter 3. It is often convenient to write Eq. 6.57 between two points (1) and (2) along a streamline and to express the equation in the “head” form by dividing each term by g so that

$$\frac{p_1}{\gamma} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{p_2}{\gamma} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 \quad (6.58)$$

It should be again emphasized that the Bernoulli equation, as expressed by Eqs. 6.57 and 6.58, is restricted to the following:

- inviscid flow
- steady flow
- incompressible flow
- flow along a streamline

You may want to go back and review some of the examples in Chapter 3 that illustrate the use of the Bernoulli equation.

6.4.3 Irrotational Flow

For example, for rotation about the z axis to be zero, it follows from Eq. 6.12 that

$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

and, therefore,

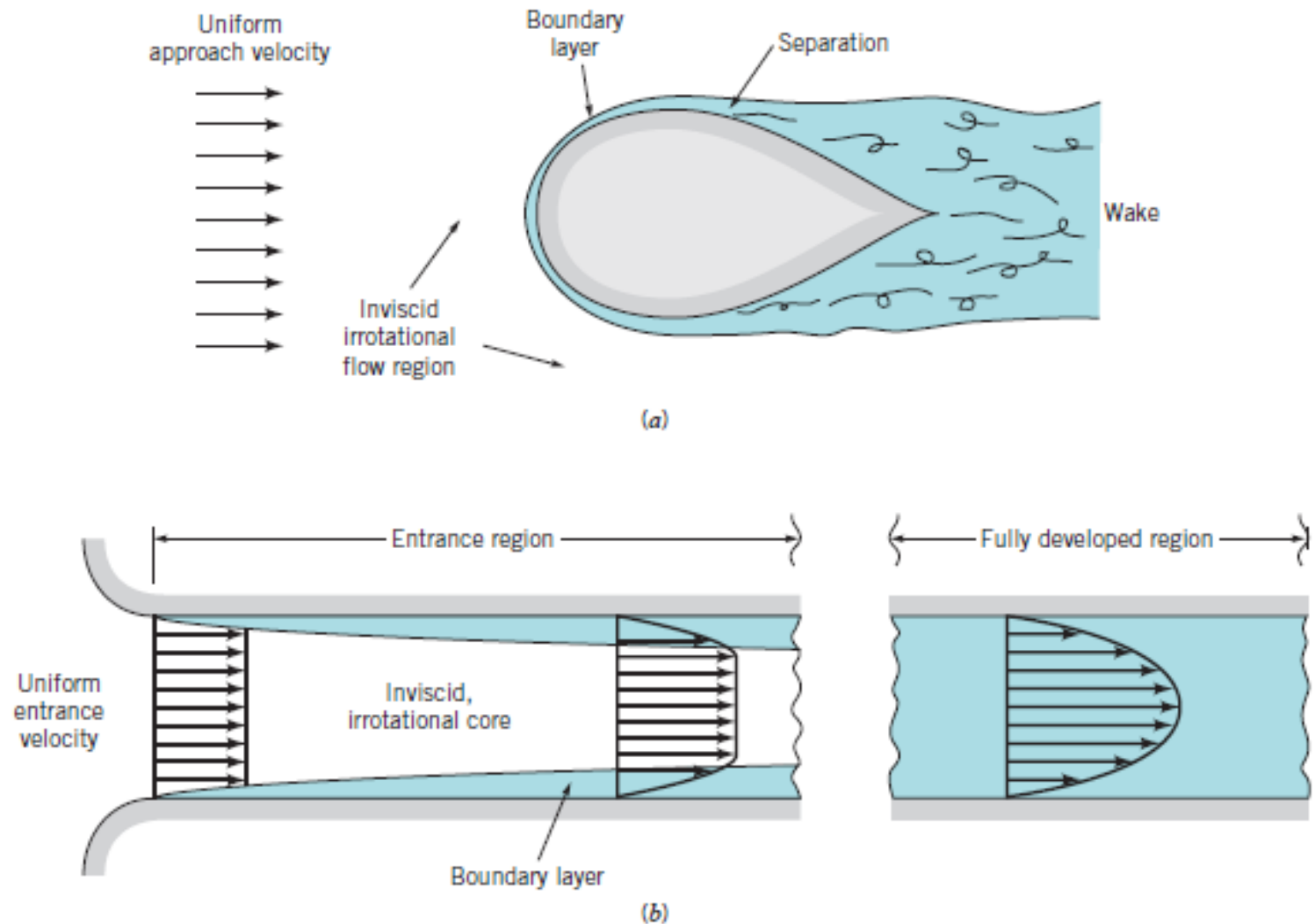
$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \quad (6.59)$$

Similarly from Eqs. 6.13 and 6.14

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \quad (6.60)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \quad (6.61)$$

For an inviscid fluid there are no shearing stresses—the only forces acting on a fluid element are its weight and pressure forces. Since the weight acts through the element center of gravity, and the pressure acts in a direction normal to the element surface, neither of these forces can cause the element to rotate. Therefore, for an inviscid fluid, if some part of the flow field is irrotational, the fluid elements emanating from this region will not take on any rotation as they progress through the flow field.



■ FIGURE 6.14 Various regions of flow: (a) around bodies; (b) through channels.

6.4.4 The Bernoulli Equation for Irrotational Flow

In the development of the Bernoulli equation in Section 6.4.2, Eq. 6.54 was integrated along a streamline. This restriction was imposed so the right side of the equation could be set equal to zero; that is,

$$[\mathbf{V} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{V})] \cdot ds = 0$$

(since ds is parallel to \mathbf{V}). However, for irrotational flow, $\nabla \times \mathbf{V} = 0$, so the right side of Eq. 6.54 is zero regardless of the direction of ds . We can now follow the same procedure used to obtain Eq. 6.55, where the differential changes dp , $d(V^2)$, and dz can be taken in any direction. Integration of Eq. 6.55 again yields

$$\int \frac{dp}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz = \text{constant} \quad (6.62)$$

where for irrotational flow the constant is the same throughout the flow field. Thus, for incompressible, irrotational flow the Bernoulli equation can be written as

$$\boxed{\frac{p_1}{\gamma} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{p_2}{\gamma} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2} \quad (6.63)$$

between *any two points in the flow field*. Equation 6.63 is exactly the same form as Eq. 6.58 but is not limited to application along a streamline. However, Eq. 6.63 is restricted to

- inviscid flow
- steady flow
- incompressible flow
- irrotational flow

6.4.5 The Velocity Potential

For an irrotational flow the velocity gradients are related through Eqs. 6.59, 6.60, and 6.61. It follows that in this case the velocity components can be expressed in terms of a scalar function $\phi(x, y, z, t)$ as

$$u = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \quad v = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \quad w = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \quad (6.64)$$

where ϕ is called the *velocity potential*. Direct substitution of these expressions for the velocity components into Eqs. 6.59, 6.60, and 6.61 will verify that a velocity field defined by Eqs. 6.64 is indeed irrotational. In vector form, Eqs. 6.64 can be written as

$$\boxed{\mathbf{V} = \nabla \phi} \quad (6.65)$$

so that for an irrotational flow the velocity is expressible as the gradient of a scalar function ϕ .

For an incompressible fluid we know from conservation of mass that

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0$$

and therefore for incompressible, irrotational flow (with $\mathbf{V} = \nabla\phi$) it follows that

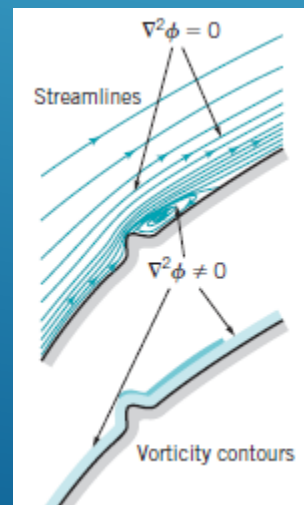
$$\nabla^2\phi = 0 \quad (6.66)$$

where $\nabla^2(\) = \nabla \cdot \nabla(\)$ is the *Laplacian operator*. In Cartesian coordinates

$$\frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = 0$$

This differential equation arises in many different areas of engineering and physics and is called *Laplace's equation*. Thus, inviscid, incompressible, irrotational flow fields are governed by Laplace's equation. This type of flow is commonly called a *potential flow*.

Inviscid, incompressible, irrotational flow fields are governed by Laplace's equation and are called potential flows.



For some problems it will be convenient to use cylindrical coordinates, r , θ , and z . In this coordinate system the gradient operator is

$$\nabla() = \frac{\partial()}{\partial r} \hat{e}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial()}{\partial \theta} \hat{e}_\theta + \frac{\partial()}{\partial z} \hat{e}_z \quad (6.67)$$

so that

$$\nabla\phi = \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial r} \hat{e}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial \theta} \hat{e}_\theta + \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \hat{e}_z \quad (6.68)$$

where $\phi = \phi(r, \theta, z)$. Since

$$\mathbf{V} = v_r \hat{e}_r + v_\theta \hat{e}_\theta + v_z \hat{e}_z \quad (6.69)$$

it follows for an irrotational flow (with $\mathbf{V} = \nabla\phi$)

$$v_r = \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial r} \quad v_\theta = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial \theta} \quad v_z = \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial z} \quad (6.70)$$

Also, Laplace's equation in cylindrical coordinates is

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial z^2} = 0 \quad (6.71)$$

EXAMPLE 6.4 Velocity Potential and Inviscid Flow Pressure

GIVEN The two-dimensional flow of a nonviscous, incompressible fluid in the vicinity of the 90° corner of Fig. E6.4a is described by the stream function

$$\psi = 2r^2 \sin 2\theta$$

where ψ has units of m^2/s when r is in meters. Assume the fluid density is $10^3 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3$ and the x - y plane is horizontal—

that is, there is no difference in elevation between points (1) and (2).

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- Determine, if possible, the corresponding velocity potential.
- If the pressure at point (1) on the wall is 30 kPa, what is the pressure at point (2)?

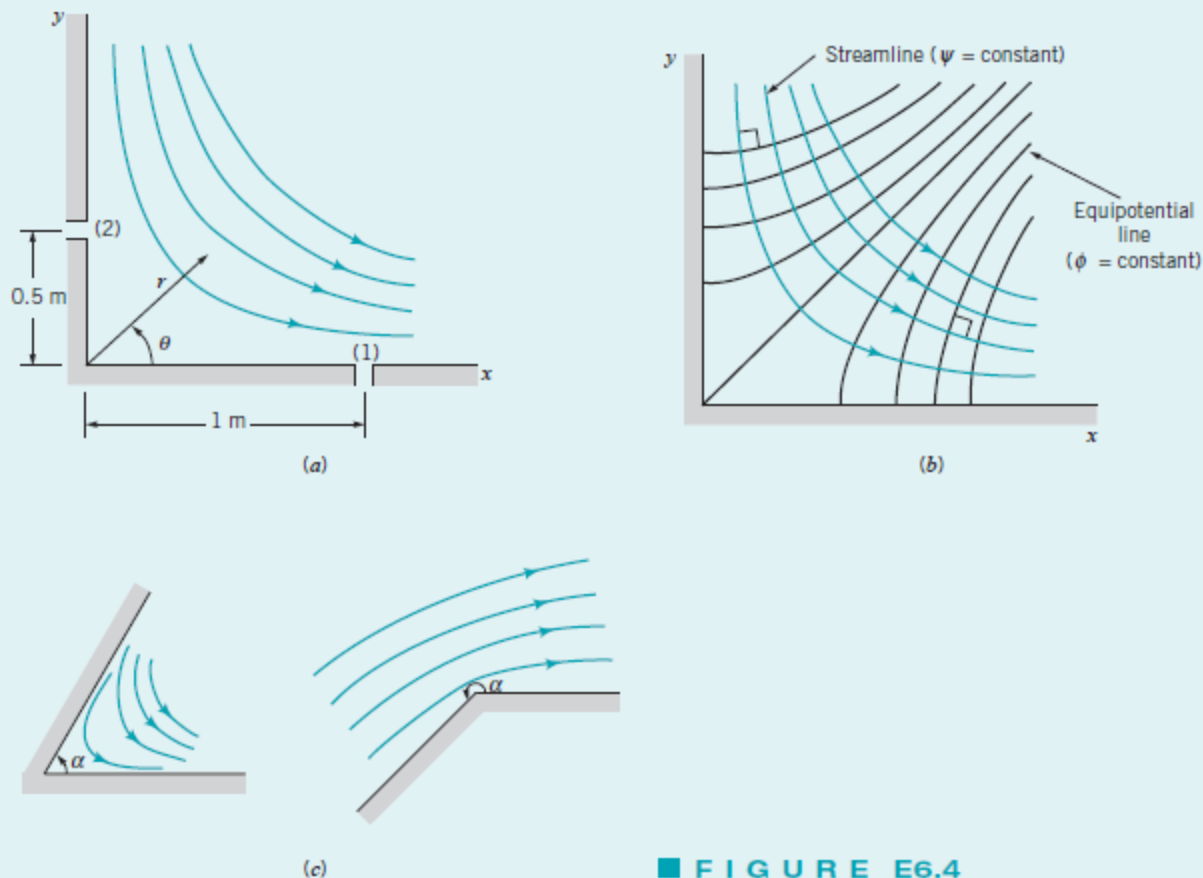


FIGURE E6.4

SOLUTION

(a) The radial and tangential velocity components can be obtained from the stream function as (see Eq. 6.42)

$$v_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} = 4r \cos 2\theta$$

and

$$v_\theta = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = -4r \sin 2\theta$$

Since

$$v_r = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r}$$

it follows that

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} = 4r \cos 2\theta$$

and therefore by integration

$$\phi = 2r^2 \cos 2\theta + f_1(\theta) \quad (1)$$

where $f_1(\theta)$ is an arbitrary function of θ . Similarly

$$v_\theta = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \theta} = -4r \sin 2\theta$$

and integration yields

$$\phi = 2r^2 \cos 2\theta + f_2(r) \quad (2)$$

where $f_2(r)$ is an arbitrary function of r . To satisfy both Eqs. 1 and 2, the velocity potential must have the form

$$\phi = 2r^2 \cos 2\theta + C \quad (\text{Ans})$$

where C is an arbitrary constant. As is the case for stream functions, the specific value of C is not important, and it is customary to let $C = 0$ so that the velocity potential for this corner flow is

$$\phi = 2r^2 \cos 2\theta \quad (\text{Ans})$$

(b) Since we have an irrotational flow of a nonviscous, incompressible fluid, the Bernoulli equation can be applied between any two points. Thus, between points (1) and (2) with no elevation change

$$\frac{p_1}{\gamma} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = \frac{p_2}{\gamma} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g}$$

or

$$p_2 = p_1 + \frac{\rho}{2}(V_1^2 - V_2^2) \quad (3)$$

Since

$$V^2 = v_r^2 + v_\theta^2$$

it follows that for any point within the flow field

$$\begin{aligned} V^2 &= (4r \cos 2\theta)^2 + (-4r \sin 2\theta)^2 \\ &= 16r^2(\cos^2 2\theta + \sin^2 2\theta) \\ &= 16r^2 \end{aligned}$$

This result indicates that the square of the velocity at any point depends only on the radial distance, r , to the point. Note that the constant, 16, has units of s^{-2} . Thus,

$$V_1^2 = (16 \text{ s}^{-2})(1 \text{ m})^2 = 16 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

and

$$V_2^2 = (16 \text{ s}^{-2})(0.5 \text{ m})^2 = 4 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

Substitution of these velocities into Eq. 3 gives

$$\begin{aligned} p_2 &= 30 \times 10^3 \text{ N/m}^2 + \frac{10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3}{2} (16 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2 - 4 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2) \\ &= 36 \text{ kPa} \quad (\text{Ans}) \end{aligned}$$

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6.8.1 Stress–Deformation Relationships

For incompressible Newtonian fluids it is known that the stresses are linearly related to the rates of deformation and can be expressed in Cartesian coordinates as (for normal stresses)

$$\sigma_{xx} = -p + 2\mu \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \quad (6.125a)$$

$$\sigma_{yy} = -p + 2\mu \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad (6.125b)$$

$$\sigma_{zz} = -p + 2\mu \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \quad (6.125c)$$

(for shearing stresses)

$$\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \quad (6.125d)$$

$$\tau_{yz} = \tau_{zy} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) \quad (6.125e)$$

$$\tau_{zx} = \tau_{xz} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.125f)$$

$$-p = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(\sigma_{xx} + \sigma_{yy} + \sigma_{zz}).$$

In cylindrical polar coordinates the stresses for incompressible Newtonian fluids are expressed as (for normal stresses)

$$\sigma_{rr} = -p + 2\mu \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} \quad (6.126a)$$

$$\sigma_{\theta\theta} = -p + 2\mu \left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{v_r}{r} \right) \quad (6.126b)$$

$$\sigma_{zz} = -p + 2\mu \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \quad (6.126c)$$

(for shearing stresses)

$$\tau_{r\theta} = \tau_{\theta r} = \mu \left[r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{v_\theta}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \theta} \right] \quad (6.126d)$$

$$\tau_{\theta z} = \tau_{z\theta} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial \theta} \right) \quad (6.126e)$$

$$\tau_{zr} = \tau_{rz} = \mu \left(\frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.126f)$$

The double subscript has a meaning similar to that of stresses expressed in Cartesian coordinates—that is, the first subscript indicates the plane on which the stress acts, and the second subscript the direction.

6.8.2 The Navier–Stokes Equations

The stresses as defined in the preceding section can be substituted into the differential equations of motion (Eqs. 6.50) and simplified by using the continuity equation (Eq. 6.31) to obtain:

(*x* direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \rho g_x + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127a)$$

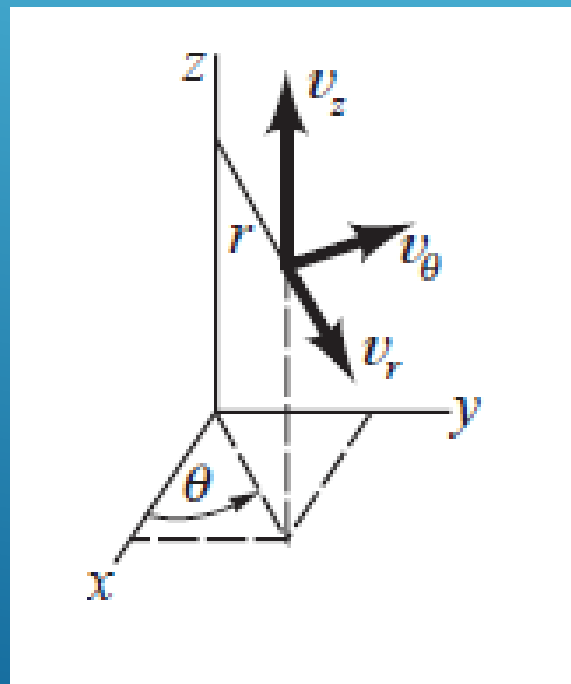
(*y* direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \rho g_y + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127b)$$

(*z* direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \rho g_z + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127c)$$

These three equations of motion, when combined with the conservation of mass equation (Eq. 6.31), provide a complete mathematical description of the flow of incompressible Newtonian fluids. We have four equations and four unknowns (u , v , w , and p), and therefore the problem is “well-posed” in mathematical terms. Unfortunately, because of the general complexity of the Navier–Stokes equations (they are nonlinear, second-order, partial differential equations), they are not amenable to exact mathematical solutions except in a few instances. However, in those few instances in which solutions have been obtained and compared with experimental results, the results have been in close agreement. Thus, the Navier–Stokes equations are considered to be the governing differential equations of motion for incompressible Newtonian fluids.



In terms of cylindrical polar coordinates (see the figure in the margin), the Navier–Stokes equations can be written as

(r direction)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial v_r}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \theta} - \frac{v_\theta^2}{r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial z} \right) \\ = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + \rho g_r + \mu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{v_r}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v_r}{\partial \theta^2} - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 v_r}{\partial z^2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6.128a)$$

(θ direction)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial \theta} + \frac{v_r v_\theta}{r} + v_z \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial z} \right) \\ = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta} + \rho g_\theta + \mu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial v_\theta}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{v_\theta}{r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v_\theta}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 v_\theta}{\partial z^2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6.128b)$$

(z direction)

$$\begin{aligned} \rho \left(\frac{\partial v_z}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial \theta} + v_z \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \right) \\ = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \rho g_z + \mu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v_z}{\partial z^2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (6.128c)$$

6.9 Some Simple Solutions for Laminar, Viscous, Incompressible Fluids

A principal difficulty in solving the Navier–Stokes equations is because of their nonlinearity arising from the convective acceleration terms (i.e., $u \partial u / \partial x$, $w \partial v / \partial z$, etc.). There are no general analytical schemes for solving nonlinear partial differential equations (e.g., superposition of solutions cannot be used), and each problem must be considered individually.

6.9.1 Steady, Laminar Flow between Fixed Parallel Plates

We first consider flow between the two horizontal, infinite parallel plates of Fig. 6.31*a*. For this geometry the fluid particles move in the x direction parallel to the plates, and there is no velocity in the y or z direction—that is, $v = 0$ and $w = 0$. In this case it follows from the continuity equation (Eq. 6.31) that $\partial u / \partial x = 0$. Furthermore, there would be no variation of u in the z direction for infinite plates, and for steady flow $\partial u / \partial t = 0$ so that $u = u(y)$. If these conditions are used in the Navier–Stokes equations (Eqs. 6.127), they reduce to

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) \quad (6.129)$$

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} - \rho g \quad (6.130)$$

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \quad (6.131)$$

where we have set $g_x = 0$, $g_y = -g$, and $g_z = 0$. That is, the y axis points up. We see that for this particular problem the Navier–Stokes equations reduce to some rather simple equations.

Equations 6.130 and 6.131 can be integrated to yield

$$p = -\rho g y + f_1(x) \quad (6.132)$$

which shows that the pressure varies hydrostatically in the y direction. Equation 6.129, rewritten as

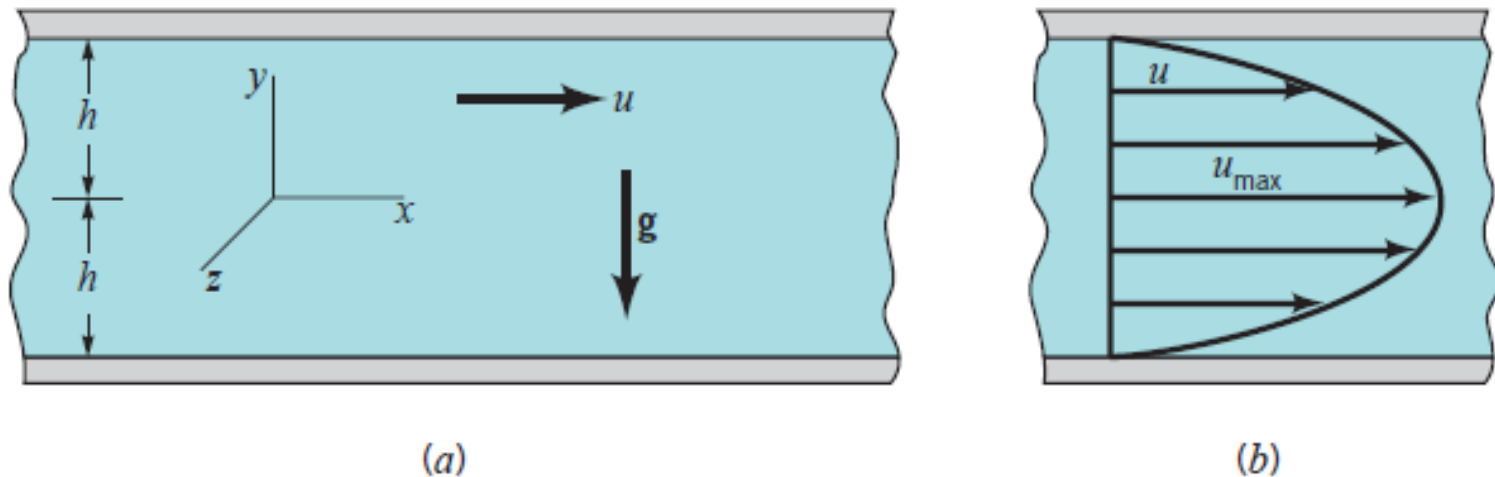
$$\frac{d^2 u}{dy^2} = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

can be integrated to give

$$\frac{du}{dy} = \frac{1}{\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) y + c_1$$

and integrated again to yield

$$u = \frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) y^2 + c_1 y + c_2 \quad (6.133)$$



■ **FIGURE 6.31** The viscous flow between parallel plates: (a) coordinate system and notation used in analysis; (b) parabolic velocity distribution for flow between parallel fixed plates.

Note that for this simple flow the pressure gradient, $\partial p/\partial x$, is treated as constant as far as the integration is concerned, since (as shown in Eq. 6.132) it is not a function of y . The two constants c_1 and c_2 must be determined from the boundary conditions. For example, if the two plates are fixed, then $u = 0$ for $y = \pm h$ (because of the no-slip condition for viscous fluids). To satisfy this condition $c_1 = 0$ and

$$c_2 = -\frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) h^2$$

Thus, the velocity distribution becomes

$$u = \frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) (y^2 - h^2) \quad (6.134)$$

Equation 6.134 shows that the velocity profile between the two fixed plates is parabolic as illustrated in Fig. 6.31*b*.

The volume rate of flow, q , passing between the plates (for a unit width in the z direction) is obtained from the relationship

$$q = \int_{-h}^h u \, dy = \int_{-h}^h \frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) (y^2 - h^2) \, dy$$

or

$$q = -\frac{2h^3}{3\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right) \quad (6.135)$$

The pressure gradient $\partial p/\partial x$ is negative, since the pressure decreases in the direction of flow. If we let Δp represent the pressure *drop* between two points a distance ℓ apart, then

$$\frac{\Delta p}{\ell} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

and Eq. 6.135 can be expressed as

$$q = \frac{2h^3 \Delta p}{3\mu \ell} \quad (6.136)$$

The flow is proportional to the pressure gradient, inversely proportional to the viscosity, and strongly dependent ($\sim h^3$) on the gap width. In terms of the mean velocity, V , where $V = q/2h$, Eq. 6.136 becomes

$$V = \frac{h^2 \Delta p}{3\mu \ell} \quad (6.137)$$

Equations 6.136 and 6.137 provide convenient relationships for relating the pressure drop along a parallel-plate channel and the rate of flow or mean velocity. The maximum velocity, u_{\max} , occurs midway ($y = 0$) between the two plates, as shown in Fig. 6.31*b*, so that from Eq. 6.134

$$u_{\max} = -\frac{h^2}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right)$$

or

$$u_{\max} = \frac{3}{2}V \quad (6.138)$$

The details of the steady laminar flow between infinite parallel plates are completely predicted by this solution to the Navier–Stokes equations. For example, if the pressure gradient, viscosity, and plate spacing are specified, then from Eq. 6.134 the velocity profile can be determined, and from Eqs. 6.136 and 6.137 the corresponding flowrate and mean velocity determined. In addition, from Eq. 6.132 it follows that

$$f_1(x) = \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}\right)x + p_0$$

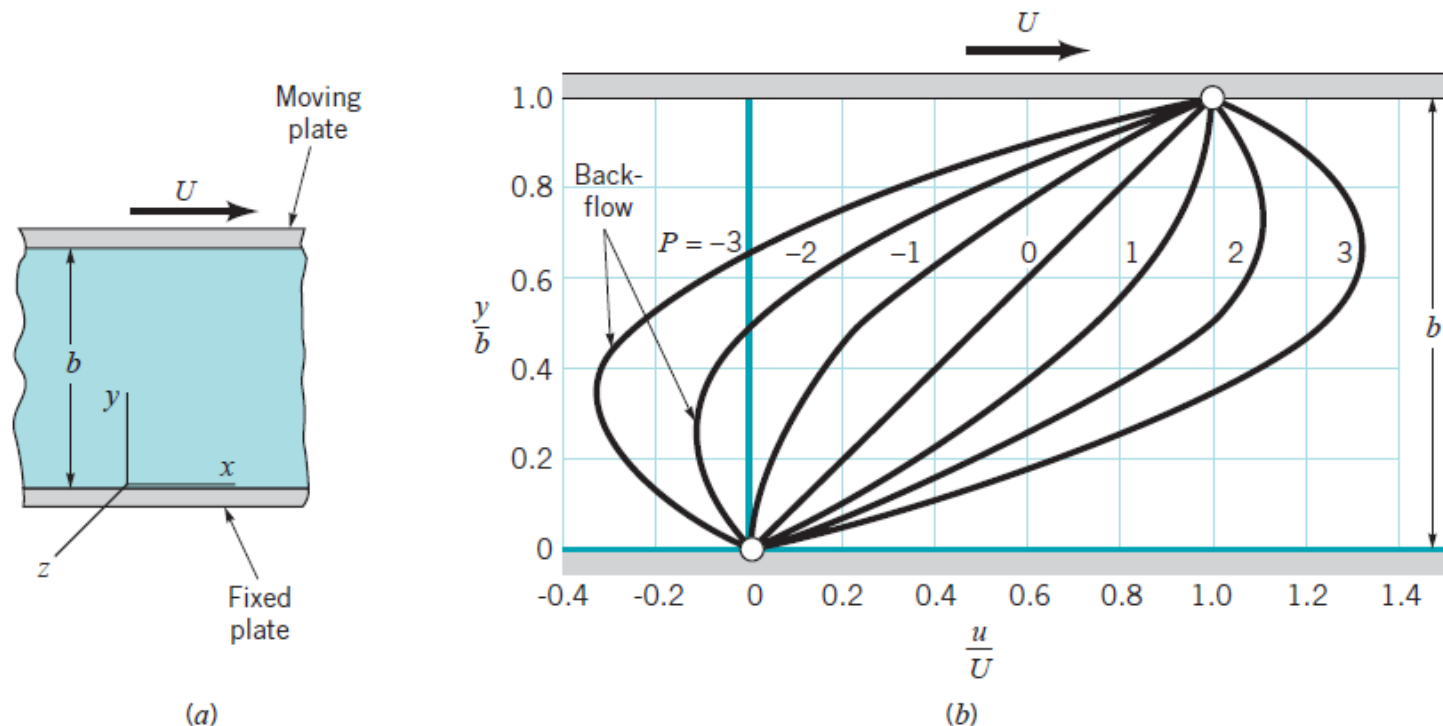
where p_0 is a reference pressure at $x = y = 0$, and the pressure variation throughout the fluid can be obtained from

$$p = -\rho gy + \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}\right)x + p_0 \quad (6.139)$$

6.9.2 Couette Flow

Another simple parallel-plate flow can be developed by fixing one plate and letting the other plate move with a constant velocity, U , as is illustrated in Fig. 6.32a.

$$u = 0 \text{ at } y = 0 \text{ and } u = U \text{ at } y = b.$$

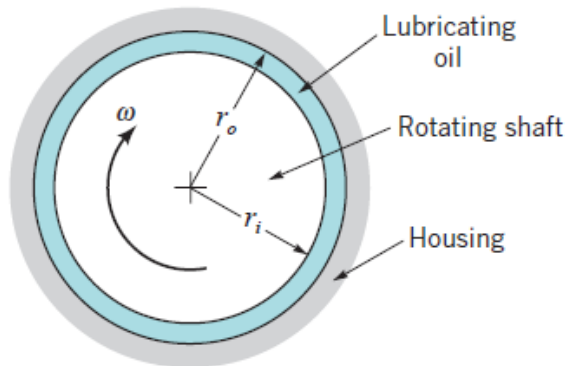


■ **FIGURE 6.32** The viscous flow between parallel plates with bottom plate fixed and upper plate moving (Couette flow): (a) coordinate system and notation used in analysis; (b) velocity distribution as a function of parameter, P , where $P = -(b^2/2\mu U) \partial p/\partial x$. (From Ref. 8, used by permission.)

$$u = U\frac{y}{b} + \frac{1}{2\mu}\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}\right)(y^2 - by) \quad (6.140)$$

or, in dimensionless form,

$$\frac{u}{U} = \frac{y}{b} - \frac{b^2}{2\mu U}\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}\right)\left(\frac{y}{b}\right)\left(1 - \frac{y}{b}\right) \quad (6.141)$$



■ **FIGURE 6.33** Flow in the narrow gap of a journal bearing.

The actual velocity profile will depend on the dimensionless parameter

$$P = -\frac{b^2}{2\mu U} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \right)$$

Several profiles are shown in Fig. 6.32b. This type of flow is called *Couette flow*.

The simplest type of Couette flow is one for which the pressure gradient is zero; that is, the fluid motion is caused by the fluid being dragged along by the moving boundary. In this case, with $\partial p/\partial x = 0$, Eq. 6.140 simply reduces to

$$u = U \frac{y}{b} \quad (6.142)$$

As illustrated in Fig. 6.33, the flow in an unloaded journal bearing might be approximated by this simple Couette flow if the gap width is very small (i.e., $r_o - r_i \ll r_i$). In this case $U = r_i \omega$, $b = r_o - r_i$, and the shearing stress resisting the rotation of the shaft can be simply calculated as $\tau = \mu r_i \omega / (r_o - r_i)$.

6.9.3 Steady, Laminar Flow in Circular Tubes

Probably the best known exact solution to the Navier–Stokes equations is for steady, incompressible, laminar flow through a straight circular tube of constant cross section. This type of flow is commonly called *Hagen–Poiseuille flow*, or simply *Poiseuille flow*. It is named in honor of J. L. Poiseuille (1799–1869), a French physician, and G. H. L. Hagen (1797–1884), a German hydraulic engineer.

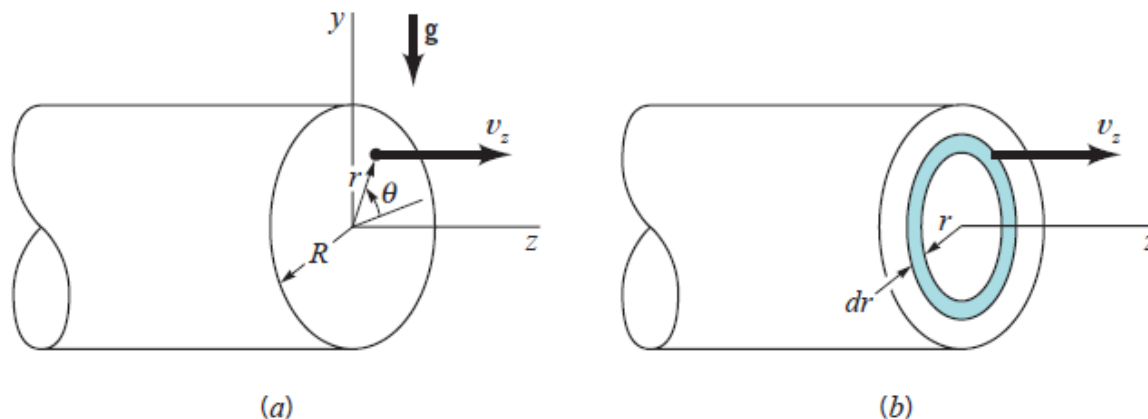


FIGURE 6.34 The viscous flow in a horizontal, circular tube: (a) coordinate system and notation used in analysis; (b) flow through differential annular ring.

Consider the flow through a horizontal circular tube of radius R as is shown in Fig. 6.34*a*. Because of the cylindrical geometry it is convenient to use cylindrical coordinates. We assume that the flow is parallel to the walls so that $v_r = 0$ and $v_\theta = 0$, and from the continuity equation (6.34) $\partial v_z / \partial z = 0$. Also, for steady, axisymmetric flow, v_z is not a function of t or θ so the velocity, v_z ,

is only a function of the radial position within the tube—that is, $v_z = v_z(r)$. Under these conditions the Navier–Stokes equations (Eqs. 6.128) reduce to

$$0 = -\rho g \sin \theta - \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} \quad (6.143)$$

$$0 = -\rho g \cos \theta - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta} \quad (6.144)$$

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \mu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} \right) \right] \quad (6.145)$$

where we have used the relationships $g_r = -g \sin \theta$ and $g_\theta = -g \cos \theta$ (with θ measured from the horizontal plane).

Equations 6.143 and 6.144 can be integrated to give

$$p = -\rho g(r \sin \theta) + f_1(z)$$

or

$$p = -\rho g y + f_1(z) \quad (6.146)$$

Equation 6.146 indicates that the pressure is hydrostatically distributed at any particular cross section, and the z component of the pressure gradient, $\partial p/\partial z$, is not a function of r or θ .

The equation of motion in the z direction (Eq. 6.145) can be written in the form

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu} \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$$

and integrated (using the fact that $\partial p/\partial z = \text{constant}$) to give

$$r \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{2\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) r^2 + c_1$$

Integrating again we obtain

$$v_z = \frac{1}{4\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) r^2 + c_1 \ln r + c_2 \quad (6.147)$$

Since we wish v_z to be finite at the center of the tube ($r = 0$), it follows that $c_1 = 0$ [since $\ln(0) = -\infty$]. At the wall ($r = R$) the velocity must be zero so that

$$c_2 = -\frac{1}{4\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) R^2$$

and the velocity distribution becomes

$$v_z = \frac{1}{4\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) (r^2 - R^2) \quad (6.148)$$

Thus, at any cross section the velocity distribution is parabolic.

To obtain a relationship between the volume rate of flow, Q , passing through the tube and the pressure gradient, we consider the flow through the differential, washer-shaped ring of Fig. 6.34b. Since v_z is constant on this ring, the volume rate of flow through the differential area $dA = (2\pi r) dr$ is

$$dQ = v_z(2\pi r) dr$$

and therefore

$$Q = 2\pi \int_0^R v_z r dr \quad (6.149)$$

Equation 6.148 for v_z can be substituted into Eq. 6.149, and the resulting equation integrated to yield

$$Q = -\frac{\pi R^4}{8\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) \quad (6.150)$$

Poiseuille's law relates pressure drop and flowrate for steady, laminar flow in circular tubes.

This relationship can be expressed in terms of the pressure *drop*, Δp , which occurs over a length, ℓ , along the tube, since

$$\frac{\Delta p}{\ell} = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$$

and therefore

$$Q = \frac{\pi R^4 \Delta p}{8\mu\ell} \quad (6.151)$$

For a given pressure drop per unit length, the volume rate of flow is inversely proportional to the viscosity and proportional to the tube radius to the fourth power. A doubling of the tube radius produces a 16-fold increase in flow! Equation 6.151 is commonly called *Poiseuille's law*.

In terms of the mean velocity, V , where $V = Q/\pi R^2$, Eq. 6.151 becomes

$$V = \frac{R^2 \Delta p}{8\mu\ell} \quad (6.152)$$

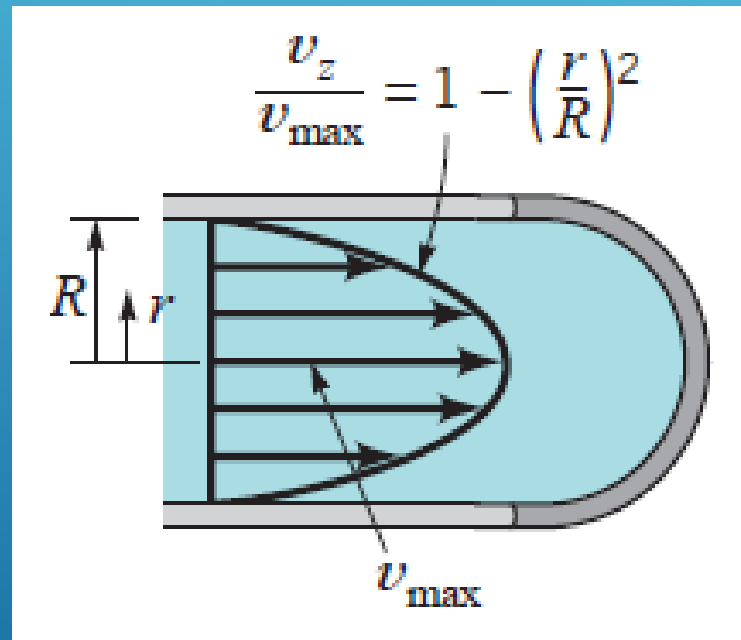
The maximum velocity v_{\max} occurs at the center of the tube, where from Eq. 6.148

$$v_{\max} = -\frac{R^2}{4\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{R^2 \Delta p}{4\mu\ell} \quad (6.153)$$

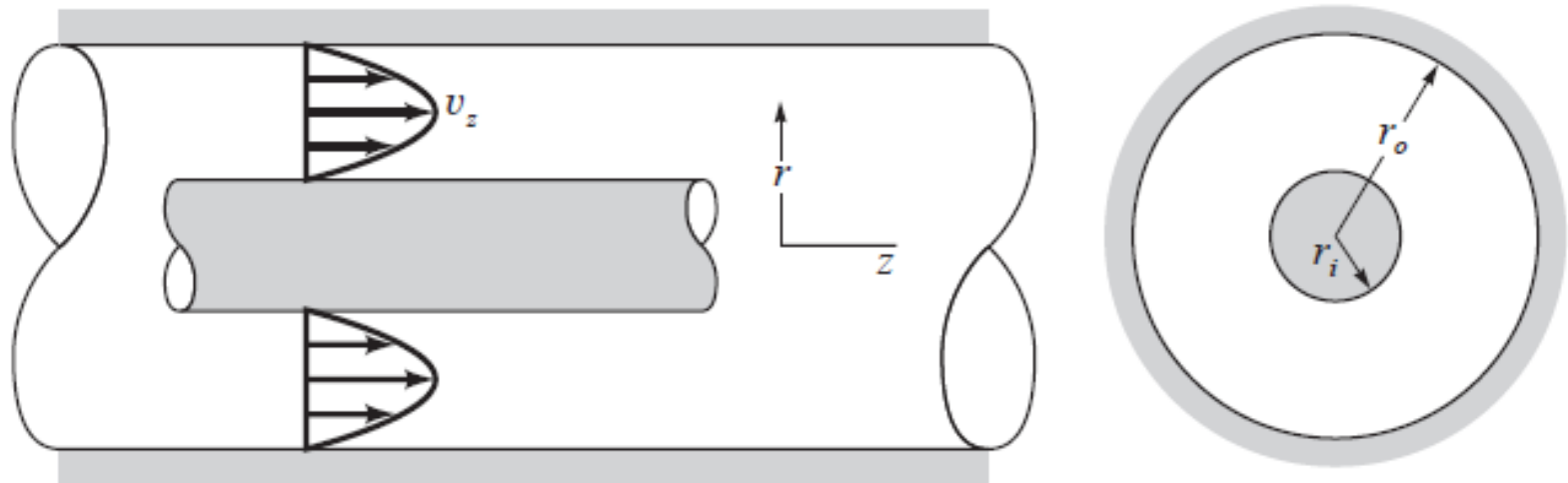
$$v_{\max} = 2V$$

The velocity distribution, as shown by the figure in the margin, can be written in terms of v_{\max} as

$$\frac{v_z}{v_{\max}} = 1 - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^2 \quad (6.154)$$



6.9.4 Steady, Axial, Laminar Flow in an Annulus



■ **FIGURE 6.35** The viscous flow through an annulus.

$$v_z = 0 \text{ at } r = r_o \text{ and } v_z = 0 \text{ for } r = r_i.$$

$$v_z = \frac{1}{4\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) \left[r^2 - r_o^2 + \frac{r_i^2 - r_o^2}{\ln(r_o/r_i)} \ln \frac{r}{r_o} \right] \quad (6.155)$$

The corresponding volume rate of flow is

$$Q = \int_{r_i}^{r_o} v_z (2\pi r) dr = -\frac{\pi}{8\mu} \left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \right) \left[r_o^4 - r_i^4 - \frac{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)^2}{\ln(r_o/r_i)} \right]$$

or in terms of the pressure drop, Δp , in length ℓ of the annulus

$$Q = \frac{\pi \Delta p}{8\mu \ell} \left[r_o^4 - r_i^4 - \frac{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)^2}{\ln(r_o/r_i)} \right] \quad (6.156)$$

The velocity at any radial location within the annular space can be obtained from Eq. 6.155. The maximum velocity occurs at the radius $r = r_m$ where $\partial v_z / \partial r = 0$. Thus,

$$r_m = \left[\frac{r_o^2 - r_i^2}{2 \ln(r_o/r_i)} \right]^{1/2} \quad (6.157)$$

These results for flow through an annulus are valid only if the flow is laminar.

$$D_h = \frac{4 \times \text{cross-sectional area}}{\text{wetted perimeter}}$$

The wetted perimeter is the perimeter in contact with the fluid. For an annulus

$$D_h = \frac{4\pi(r_o^2 - r_i^2)}{2\pi(r_o + r_i)} = 2(r_o - r_i)$$

$$\text{Re} = \rho D_h V / \mu$$

EXAMPLE 9.10 Laminar Flow in an Annulus

GIVEN A viscous liquid ($\rho = 1.18 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$; $\mu = 0.0045 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s/m}^2$) flows at a rate of 12 ml/s through a horizontal, 4-mm-diameter tube.

FIND (a) Determine the pressure drop along a 1-m length of the tube which is far from the tube entrance so that the only component

of velocity is parallel to the tube axis. (b) If a 2-mm-diameter rod is placed in the 4-mm-diameter tube to form a symmetric annulus, what is the pressure drop along a 1-m length if the flowrate remains the same as in part (a)?

SOLUTION

(a) We first calculate the Reynolds number, Re , to determine whether or not the flow is laminar. With the diameter $D = 4 \text{ mm} = 0.004 \text{ m}$, the mean velocity is

$$V = \frac{Q}{(\pi/4)D^2} = \frac{(12 \text{ ml/s})(10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{ml})}{(\pi/4)(0.004 \text{ m})^2} \\ = 0.955 \text{ m/s}$$

and, therefore,

$$Re = \frac{\rho VD}{\mu} = \frac{(1.18 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3)(0.955 \text{ m/s})(0.004 \text{ m})}{0.0045 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s/m}^2} \\ = 1000$$

Since the Reynolds number is well below the critical value of 2100 we can safely assume that the flow is laminar. Thus, we can apply Eq. 6.151, which gives for the pressure drop

$$\Delta p = \frac{8\mu\ell Q}{\pi R^4} \\ = \frac{8(0.0045 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s/m}^2)(1 \text{ m})(12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{s})}{\pi(0.002 \text{ m})^4} \\ = 8.59 \text{ kPa} \quad (\text{Ans})$$

(b) For flow in the annulus with an outer radius $r_o = 0.002 \text{ m}$ and an inner radius $r_i = 0.001 \text{ m}$, the mean velocity is

$$V = \frac{Q}{\pi(r_o^2 - r_i^2)} = \frac{12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}}{(\pi)[(0.002 \text{ m})^2 - (0.001 \text{ m})^2]} \\ = 1.27 \text{ m/s}$$

and the Reynolds number [based on the hydraulic diameter, $D_h = 2(r_o - r_i) = 2(0.002 \text{ m} - 0.001 \text{ m}) = 0.002 \text{ m}$] is

$$Re = \frac{\rho D_h V}{\mu} \\ = \frac{(1.18 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3)(0.002 \text{ m})(1.27 \text{ m/s})}{0.0045 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s/m}^2} \\ = 666$$

This value is also well below 2100 so the flow in the annulus should also be laminar. From Eq. 6.156,

$$\Delta p = \frac{8\mu\ell Q}{\pi} \left[r_o^4 - r_i^4 - \frac{(r_o^2 - r_i^2)^2}{\ln(r_o/r_i)} \right]^{-1}$$

so that

$$\Delta p = \frac{8(0.0045 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s}/\text{m}^2)(1 \text{ m})(12 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{s})}{\pi} \times \left\{ (0.002 \text{ m})^4 - (0.001 \text{ m})^4 - \frac{[(0.002 \text{ m})^2 - (0.001 \text{ m})^2]^2}{\ln(0.002 \text{ m}/0.001 \text{ m})} \right\}^{-1}$$

= 68.2 kPa

(Ans)

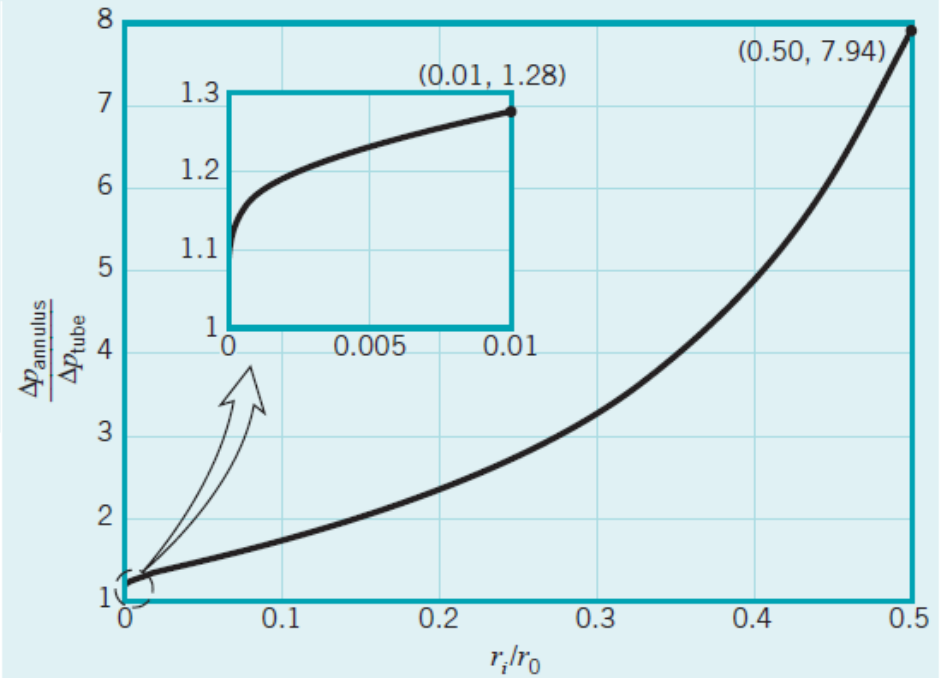


FIGURE E6.10

6.10 Other Aspects of Differential Analysis

In this chapter the basic differential equations that govern the flow of fluids have been developed. The Navier–Stokes equations, which can be compactly expressed in vector notation as

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{V} \right) = -\nabla p + \rho \mathbf{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{V} \quad (6.158)$$

along with the continuity equation

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = 0 \quad (6.159)$$

Very few practical fluid flow problems can be solved using an exact analytical approach.

Some of the important equations in this chapter are:

Acceleration of fluid particle $\mathbf{a} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial z}$ (6.2)

Vorticity $\boldsymbol{\zeta} = 2 \boldsymbol{\omega} = \nabla \times \mathbf{V}$ (6.17)

Conservation of mass $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial(\rho w)}{\partial z} = 0$ (6.27)

Stream function $u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$ (6.37)

Euler's equations of motion $\rho g_x - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)$ (6.51a)

$\rho g_y - \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right)$ (6.51b)

$\rho g_z - \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = \rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right)$ (6.51c)

Velocity potential $\mathbf{V} = \nabla \phi$ (6.65)

Laplace's equation $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$ (6.66)

The Navier–Stokes equations

(x direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \rho g_x + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127a)$$

(y direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \rho g_y + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127b)$$

(z direction)

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} + \rho g_z + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial z^2} \right) \quad (6.127c)$$