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APU 3150/APE 5150 Fluid Mechanics



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Answer FOUR questions only. Standard notation are used throughout this paper.

- 1. (a) Briefly distinguish between the two types of fluid flow mentioned below.
  - i. Steady/Unsteady flows
  - ii. Uniform/Nonuniform flows
  - iii. Compressible/Incompressible flows
  - iv. Rotational/Irrotational flows.
  - (b) The fluid flow field with velocity vector  $\mathbf{q} = x^2y\mathbf{i} + y^2z\mathbf{j} (2xyz + z^2y)\mathbf{k}$ , in the usual notation. Verify that **steady, incompressible fluid** motion is possible with the velocity  $\mathbf{q}$ .
  - (c) Show that the velocity vector  $\mathbf{q} = e^x[(sinz cosy)\mathbf{i} + siny\mathbf{j} + cosz\mathbf{k}]$  represents possible **irrotational** motion of an incompressible fluid.
- 2. (a) Show that  $\underline{q} = (-\omega y, \omega x, 0)$ , where  $\omega$  is a constant, represents the velocity of an incompressible fluid in a **rotational motion**, and that streamlines are the circles lying on the cylinders  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$  and the planes z = c, where a and c parameters.

Find the **vorticity vector** in this motion, and show that the vortex lines are parallel to the z- axis.

(b) Show that equation of continuity can be reduced to the form  $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$  for an incompressible fluid in an irrotational motion, where  $\phi$  denotes the velocity potential.

Verify that  $\phi = \frac{Cx}{r^3}$ , where C is a constant and  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ , represents possible motion satisfying the above form of the continuity equation. What would be the fluid velocity, in this motion?

3. A fluid of variable density  $\rho$ , is in equilibrium under the external force  $\underline{F}$  per unit mass. By considering equilibrium of an arbitrary portion of fluid of volume V bounded by a surface S every element  $\delta S$  of which is acted upon by a **pressure** force  $-\underline{n}(p\delta S)$ , where  $\underline{n}$  is a unit vector in the direction outward to the element  $\delta S$ , obtain the equation  $\rho \underline{F} = \operatorname{grad} p$ .

[Gauss' divergence theorem for a vector field may be assumed here.]

- (a) If  $\underline{F} = -g\underline{k}$ , where g is the constant of gravitation, and the unit vector  $\underline{k}$  points vertically upwards, deduce that  $dp = -\rho g dz$ .
- (b) Furthermore, if  $\rho = \rho_0 exp(-z)$  where  $\rho_0$  is the constant density on the free surface, z = 0, show that  $p = p_0 \rho_0 g(1 e^{-z})$ , where  $p_0$  is the constant pressure acting on the free surface.
- 4. A right circular cylinder r = a, where  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2$ , stands with its axis vertical and its base attached to a infinite rigid horizontal plane z = 0. It is surrounded by an ocean of incompressible non-viscous liquid of infinite extent, bounded below by the plane z = 0 and above by its free surface open to the atmosphere at pressure  $p_0$ . The cylinder extends above the free surface of the ocean, whose height at a large distance from the cylinder is h.

Given that the velocity components of the liquid at the point (x, y, z), are  $(\frac{\omega a^2 y}{r^2}, -\frac{\omega a^2 x}{r^2}, 0)$ , where  $\omega$  is a constant, show that the motion is irrotational and find the following quantities:

(a) Velocity potential of the motion.

- (b) Liquid pressure at a point on the surface of the cylinder at a height z.
- (c) Liquid pressure on the plane base z = 0, at distance r(>a) from the axis.
- (d) Height of the free surface above the plane base z = 0, as it touches the cylinder.
- 5. Write down, without derivation, Bernoullis equation for unsteady irrotational motion of an incompressible non-viscous liquid.

A spherical bubble of gas is inside an infinite liquid of constant density  $\rho$ . Initially (at time t=0), its radius is a, pressure of the gas is  $p_0$  and the sphere begins to expand radially, its radius R(t) and pressure p satisfying the relationship  $p = p_0(\frac{a}{R})^4$ . Assuming the form  $\underline{q} = (R^2 \dot{R}) \frac{e_r}{r^2}$ , where  $\dot{R} = \frac{dR}{dt}$  for resulting **liquid velocity**, in the region  $r \ge a$  show that this motion is irrotational with velocity potential  $\phi = (R^2 \dot{R}) \frac{1}{r}$ .

Using Bernoullis equation and the substitution  $\ddot{R} = \frac{dQ}{dR}$ , where  $Q = \frac{\dot{R}^2}{2}$ , show further that  $\dot{R}^2 = \frac{2P_0}{\rho} \{ (\frac{\dot{R}}{a})^3 - (\frac{\dot{R}}{a})^4 \}$ .

- 6. (a) Given the complex potential function  $f(z) = z^2$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  find the streamlines and equipotential lines, and verify that they are mutually orthogonal.
  - (b) Consider the complex potential function  $F(z) = U(z + \frac{a^2}{z})$  where U and a are positive constants. Find the stream function and the complex velocity in this motion.

Show that

- i. One of the stream lines consists of the real axis, y = 0, and the circle r = a, fluid occupying the region outside this circle.
- ii. Velocity vector for large r is of magnitude U, and directed parallel to the x-axis.

Find the points on the circle r = a where the pressure is maximum.

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