

- Dimensional Analysis
- $\pi$  Theorem
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- Dimensional balance on scaling arg
- Rayleigh problem.

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3.1 A) Dimensional Analysis -  $\pi$  Theorem.

B) Dimensional balance and viscous flow classification

Reading

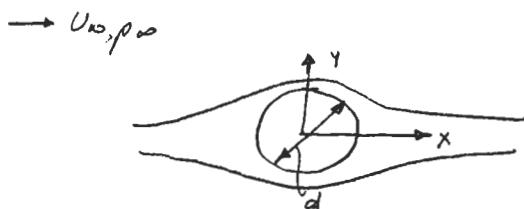
White : 81-88, 93, 104-107, 114-119, 132-141

Sch : 13-18.

A)  $\pi$  Theorem.

Process of changing from standard ( $m, kg, s$ ) to natural units  
is called non-dimensionalization

Example : flow past a cylinder

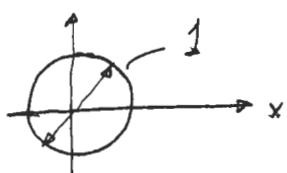


Standard units :  $u(x, y, U_\infty, \rho_\infty, d)$   
 $p(x, y, U_\infty, \rho_\infty, d)$

Natural units :  $v(x, y), p(x, y)$

$$\rightarrow U_\infty = 1$$

$$R_\infty = 1$$



$$P = P / \rho_\infty U_\infty^2, R = R / R_\infty = 1$$

Number of independent variables has been reduced from 5  $\rightarrow$  2

Thm: "Given a problem with '3' scales or independent variables, in 'n' standard units, there are  $\underline{P = S \cdot U}$  non-dimensional variables sufficient to define the problem"

Ex1 Inviscid, uncomp. flow over cylinder

<u>indep. vars (scales)</u>	<u>Units</u>	
$x$	$L$	
$y$	$L$	
$d$	$L$	
$U_\infty$	$L/T$	
$\rho_\infty$	$M/L^3$	
$S = 5$	$n = 3$	$P = 2$

$\Rightarrow V(x, y) \quad U = (U_\infty)$

$P(x, y) \quad X = (x/d)$

$P = (P/\rho_\infty U_\infty^2)$

Ex2 Viscous, uncomp flow

$$\frac{+ U_\infty}{S = 6} \quad \frac{M/LT}{n = 3} \quad \rightarrow \quad P = 3$$

$\Rightarrow V(x, y; R_c)$

non-dim variable      non-dim parameter

Ex 3

## Compressible Viscous Flow

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$$\frac{+ \alpha_{\infty}, C_p, k_{\infty}, \theta_{\infty}}{S = 16} \quad \frac{L/T, L^2/T^2 K, \frac{ML}{T^2 K}, K}{u = 4} \xrightarrow{\text{Lap}}$$

$$P = 10 - 4 = 6.$$

$$U(X, Y, Re, Ma, Pr, \gamma)$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad \frac{V_{\infty} d}{\nu_{\infty}}, \quad \frac{\nu_{\infty}}{\alpha_{\infty}}, \quad \frac{C_p M_{\infty}}{k_{\infty}}, \quad \gamma = C_p/C_v = \frac{C_p}{C_p - R}$$

Deriving Non-Dimensional Groups: Use viscous incomp flow as Ex.

$$\text{sides} \rightarrow d^{\alpha_1} \cdot V_{\infty}^{\alpha_2} \cdot \rho_{\infty}^{\alpha_3} \cdot \mu_{\infty}^{\alpha_4} = M^{\alpha_5} \cdot L^{\alpha_6} \cdot T^{\alpha_7} = \text{non dimensional quantity}$$

$$= L^{\alpha_1} \cdot (L/T)^{\alpha_2} \cdot (M/L^3)^{\alpha_3} \cdot (M/LT)^{\alpha_4}$$

exponents must vanish

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 3\alpha_3 - \alpha_4 &= 0 \\ -\alpha_2 - \alpha_4 &= 0 \\ \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{rank 3 matrix})$$

$$\text{Choose } \alpha_1 = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_2 = 1, \alpha_3 = 1, \alpha_4 = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d V_{\infty}}{\mu_{\infty}} \rightarrow Re //$$

Add  $x \propto y$ .

$$x^{\alpha_1} \cdot y^{\alpha_2} \cdot d^{\alpha_3} \cdot V_{\infty}^{\alpha_4} \cdot \rho_{\infty}^{\alpha_5} \cdot \mu_{\infty}^{\alpha_6} = \text{non-dim quantity}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_4 - 3\alpha_5 - \alpha_6 &= 0 \\ -\alpha_4 - \alpha_6 &= 0 \\ \alpha_5 + \alpha_6 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Select 3 arbitrary  $\rightarrow \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \alpha_4 = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_6 = -1, \alpha_5 = 1, \alpha_3 = -1$

$$x y \left(\frac{1}{d}\right) \cdot \frac{V_{\infty} \rho_{\infty} d}{\mu_{\infty} d} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{x}{d}\right), \left(\frac{y}{d}\right), Re //.$$

## Dimensional Balance and viscous flow classification

viscous

$$\frac{D\vec{u}}{Dt} = - \frac{\nabla p}{\rho} + 2\nu \nabla^2 \vec{u}$$

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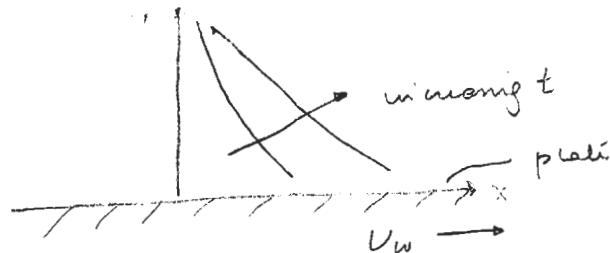
In general, no exact solution is possible. Depending on which terms balance  $2\nu \nabla^2 \vec{u}$ , we can have solutions for special types of flows or geometries.

examples

① Impulsively started flow (Rayleigh, Stokes 1st problem) 1 - 4

② Pressure-driven steady duct flows (3-4)  
(Poiseuille)

now - when  $\nabla \cdot \vec{v}$  can be neglected  $\rightarrow$  linear solutions



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

B.Cs:  $t \leq 0: u=0$  for all y  
 $t > 0: u=v_w$  at  $y=0$   
 $v=0$   $y \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0, v=0 \quad (\text{parallel flow})$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \quad (\text{identical to heat conduction})$$

Scales

Units

$$u_w$$

$$l/T$$

$$\nu$$

$$l^2/T$$

$$t_{ref} = \nu / u_w^2$$

$\rightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial u^*}{\partial t^*} = \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}}$$

$$2^* = 1$$

$$L_{ref} = \nu / u_w$$

Ordering

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial (vt)} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

Boundary case when  $t \rightarrow \infty, v \rightarrow 0$ , we must have

$$(vt) = O(y^2)$$

$$\text{or } y/\sqrt{vt} = O(1) \text{ for any } v, t, y$$

suggests transformation

$$\gamma = y/\sqrt{vt}$$

$$u = U_w f(\gamma)$$

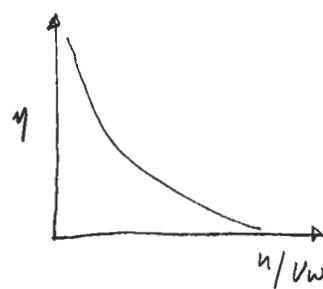
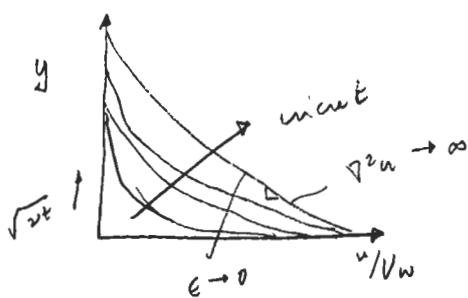
$$\frac{1}{2} \gamma \frac{\partial u}{\partial \gamma} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \gamma^2} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{2} \gamma f' + f'' = 0$$

00E for  $f(\gamma)$

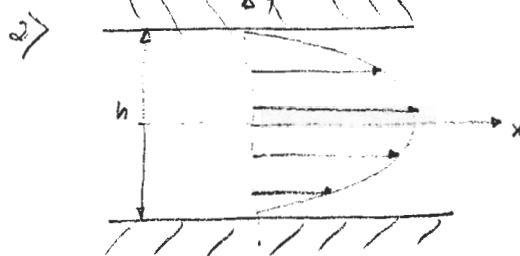
Solution is

$$u(\gamma) = U_w \operatorname{erfc}(\gamma/2) \quad \begin{matrix} \\ \text{B.C: } f=1 \text{ at } \gamma=0 \\ f=0 \text{ at } \gamma=\infty \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{where } \operatorname{erfc}(x) = 1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-x^2} dx$$



$$\sqrt{vt} = O(\delta) \quad \begin{matrix} \\ \text{l.b.l thickness} \end{matrix}$$



Steady flow between 2 plates  
with a constant pressure gradient  
 $v=0$ ,  $u=0$  at  $y=\pm h/2$

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$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 \text{ from continuity}$$

(parallel flow)

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = \mu \frac{d^2u}{dy^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow u = -\frac{1}{2\mu} \left( \frac{dp}{dx} \right) \left( \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 - y^2 \right) \quad (\delta \approx \sqrt{2})$$

now  $Re \ll 1$

$$x^* = \frac{x}{L_{ref}} \quad v^* = \frac{v_{ref}}{L_{ref}} \quad t^* = \frac{t}{L_{ref}/U_{ref}} \quad p^* = \frac{p}{\mu_{ref} U_{ref}}$$

$$\Rightarrow Re \frac{Du^*}{Dt} = -\nabla^* p^* + \nabla^{*2} u^*$$

$\therefore Re \ll 1$  we can neglect inertia

$$-\frac{\nabla p}{\rho} + 2\nabla^2 u = 0$$

Note there is no restriction on  $Re$  in duct flow.

for  $Re > 1$  all terms are important (1 - 4). We can simplify  $2\nabla^2 u$ , it cannot be dropped near a solid boundary with no-slip conditions

$$\left(\frac{1}{Re}\right)(\nabla^2 u) \sim O(1)$$

$\nabla^2 u \sim Re$  near a wall.  
↳ asymptotic expansion  $Re$  as parameter

Another approach

$2\nabla^2 u$  balances  $\nabla p$  near the wall.  
 $\downarrow$   
 $\sim \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$