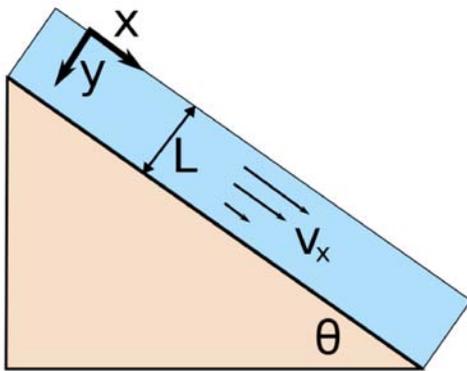


Pset 5 solutions

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Problem I

First, let's identify the geometry:



and boundary conditions:

at $y = 0$, $\frac{dv_x}{dy} = 0$ (no shear)

at $y = L$, $v_x = 0$ (no slip).

For non-Newtonian fluids, $\tau_{yx} = -\mu \left(\frac{dv_x}{dy} \right)^m$.

When this is substituted into the momentum balance equation and we use $F_x = g \rho \sin(\theta)$, we see that

$$\frac{\partial(\rho v_x)}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\mu \left(\frac{dv_x}{dy} \right)^m \right) + g \rho \sin(\theta).$$

Note that when a non-Newtonian fluid is considered, the “m” appears inside the derivative with respect to y . Also, we are assuming steady-state, so $\frac{\partial(\rho v_x)}{\partial t} = 0$.

Rearranging:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\mu \left(\frac{dv_x}{dy} \right)^m \right) = -g \rho \sin(\theta)$$

and integrating:

$$\left(\frac{dv_x}{dy}\right)^m = -g/\nu \sin(\theta) y + A$$

Problem 2

Apply the no shear boundary condition:

$$\left(\frac{dv_x}{dy}\right)^m = -g/\nu \sin(\theta) y + A = 0 \text{ when } y = 0 \implies A = 0.$$

Rearrange, and integrate again:

$$\frac{dv_x}{dy} = (-g/\nu \sin(\theta) y)^{1/m}$$

$$v_x = \frac{1}{1/m+1} \left(\frac{-\nu}{g \sin(\theta)}\right) (-g/\nu \sin(\theta) y)^{1/m+1} + B$$

Apply the no slip boundary condition:

$$v_x = \frac{1}{1/m+1} \left(\frac{-\nu}{g \sin(\theta)}\right) (-g/\nu \sin(\theta) y)^{1/m+1} + B = 0 \text{ when } y = L$$

$$\therefore B = \frac{-1}{1/m+1} \left(\frac{-\nu}{g \sin(\theta)}\right) (-g/\nu \sin(\theta) L)^{1/m+1}$$

$$v_x = \frac{1}{1/m+1} \left(\frac{g \sin(\theta)}{\nu}\right)^{1/m} (L^{1/m+1} - y^{1/m+1})$$

Note that when $m = 1$, this is the same as the Newtonian solution.

Problem 3

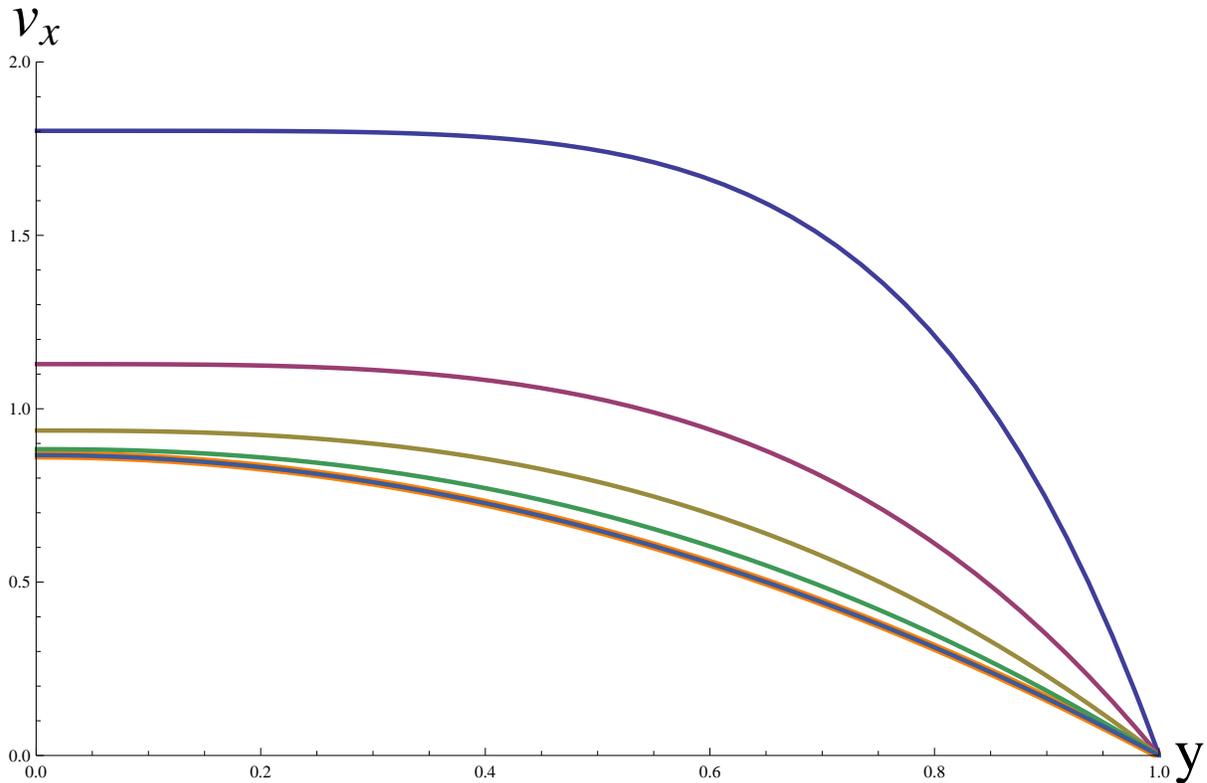
To plot the result, first define the function describing v_x :

$$vx[m_, y_, \nu_] := (1 / ((1 / m) + 1)) (9.8 \text{ Sin}[Pi / 4] / \nu)^{(1/m)} (1 - y^{(1/m)+1})$$

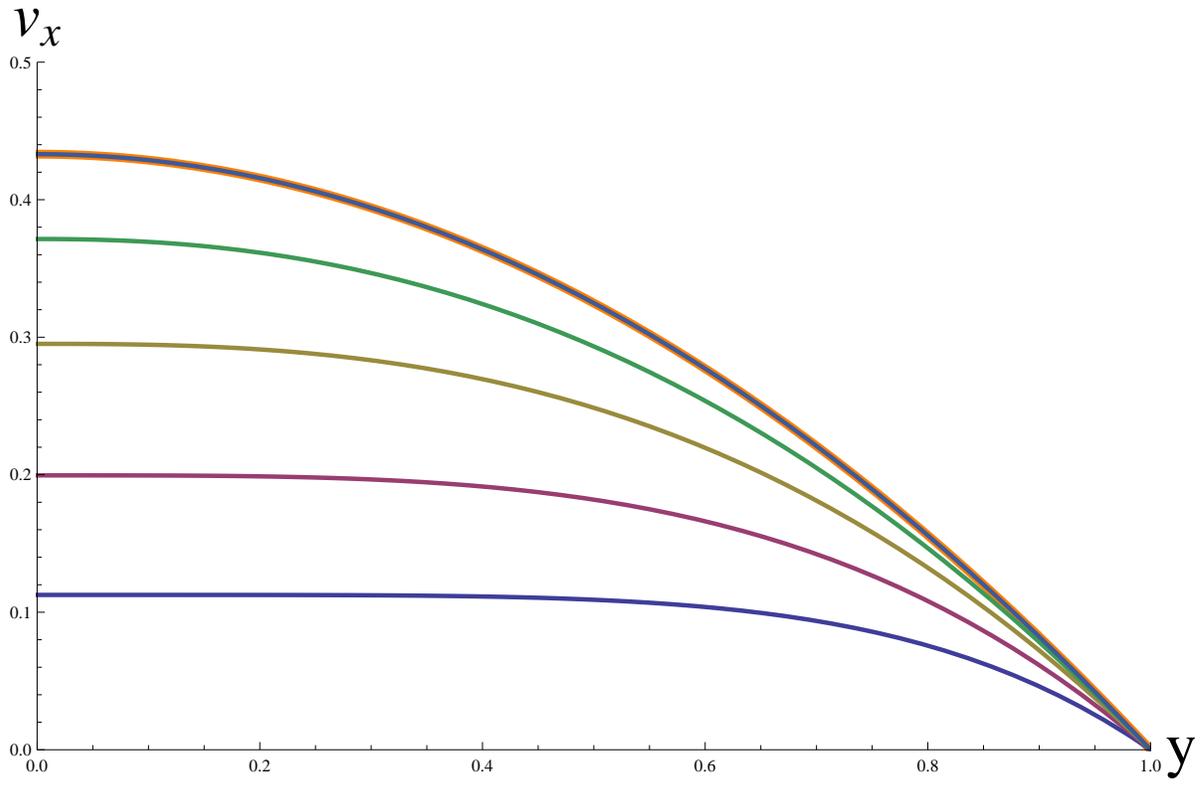
I chose $g = 9.8$, $\theta = \pi/4 = 45^\circ$, and $L = 1$ (arbitrary)

Below is a plot with $m = 0.2$ (blue), 0.4 (red), 0.6 (yellow), 0.8 (green), and 1 (blue-gray). I also plotted the Newtonian solution we derived in class, in orange. You can see that the $m = 1$ solution and the Newtonian, parabolic solution completely overlap. The trend of whether the non-newtonian solutions are faster or slower than the Newtonian solution depends on your choice of the magnitude of viscosity.

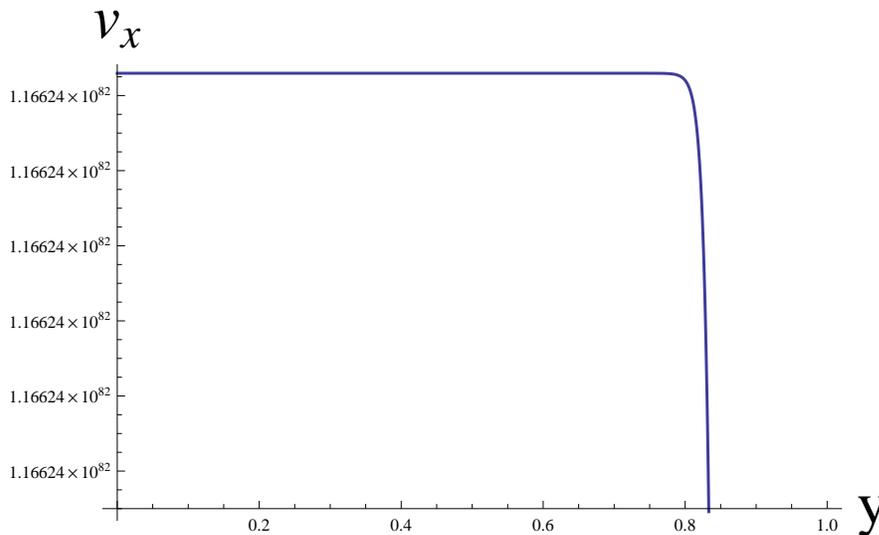
With $\nu = 4$:



With $\nu = 8$:



Either way, the non-Newtonian solution is “snubbier.” If you think about it, this makes sense because the fluid has a lower viscosity where the shear, or $\frac{dv_x}{dy}$, is greater. Therefore, it is better to concentrate the gradients in a small range and have an area of high shear, but reduced viscosity (i.e., reduced resistance to shearing). The smaller m gets, the narrower this region becomes. In the limit of small m (see below: $m = 0.01$), the profile becomes square: the bulk of the fluid is actually acting like a solid. This almost-solid is gliding on a very thin layer of fluid that experiences essentially 100% of the shear required to satisfy the B.C.’s. This thin layer has dramatically lower viscosity because the shear is so high, making it very easy to flow.



Problem 4

I will assume that a typical water bottle is about 10 cm in diameter, and we are told that it must be $100 \mu\text{m}$ thick, so this has a volume of about (and ignoring the bottom of the bottle):

$V = 2 \pi R t L$, with $R = 0.05$ m and L is the height of the bottle. We are assuming the bottle is thin relative to its diameter, and ignoring the bottom of the bottle for simplicity, but it would be correct to include it (it just turns out that the strains there are smaller, so that won't be the point of failure). Also, we are assuming that the preform is the same length as the final bottle.

The volume of the preform is:

$V = \pi R_{\text{out}}^2 L - \pi R_{\text{in}}^2 L$, where R_{out} = the outer radius of the preform, which is comparable to that of a soda bottle cap, so about 1 cm in diameter, and R_{in} = the inner radius of the blank, which we must solve for.

The two volumes must be equal, so:

$$\pi R_{\text{out}}^2 L - \pi R_{\text{in}}^2 L = 2 \pi R t L$$

Cancel the L's and π 's, and rearrange to get:

$$R_{\text{in}} = \sqrt{R_{\text{out}}^2 - 2 R t}$$

Plugging in, we see that $R_{\text{in}} = 0.949$ cm, so the thickness of the blank must be about 0.05 cm = $500 \mu\text{m}$ thick.

Next, we are asked to find the fracture strains. In class, we found that

$\epsilon_{\text{fracture}} = -m \ln\left(1 - \left(\frac{A_{o,i}}{A_{o,h}}\right)^{1/m}\right)$. We will take the ratio of areas to be 99%, since this is a typical value for a “routine” initial inhomogeneity, and the function is not especially sensitive to this ratio anyway. Plugging in the m for each material, we see that

$$\epsilon_{\text{fracture}, 5083} = 272\%$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{fracture}, 6061} = 405\%$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{fracture}, 7091} = 139\%$$

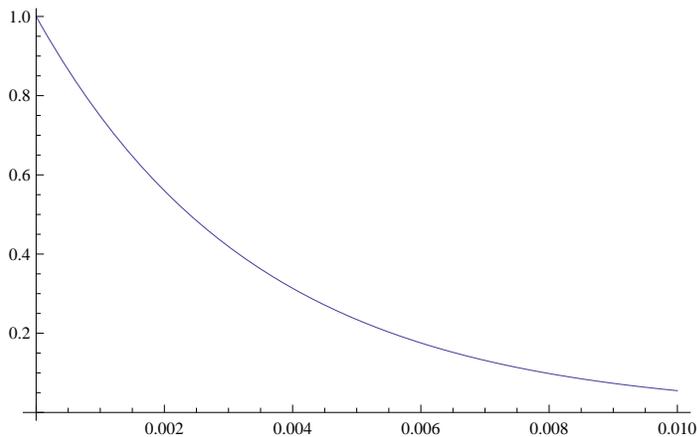
$$\epsilon_{\text{fracture}, 7475} = 405\%$$

In recitation, we learned that the maximum tensile strain experienced by a bottle being blow-molded is $\ln\left(\frac{R_{\text{bottle, inner}}}{R_{\text{preform, inner}}}\right)$, which in our case is equal to $\sim 166\%$, so we expect that Al 7091 will fail, Al 5083 has a decent chance at surviving, and both 6061 and 7475 are safe. However, for thinner bottles, or larger bottles, or more irregular preforms, even these nearly-Newtonian alloys would be at the cusp of failure.

Problem 5

Below is a plot of $(A_{o,i}/A_{o,h})$ versus groove depth as provided in the problem statement:

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Plot[Exp[-290 x], {x, 0, 0.01}]
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To find the groove depth value tolerable, plug in the above function for $(A_{0,i}/A_{0,h})$ in the fracture strain equation, set that equal to the strain required to survive blow molding, and solve for “x,” the groove depth:

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In[54]:= m = 0.9;
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Solve[1.66 == -m Log[1 - Exp[-290 x]^(1/m)], x]
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Out[55]= {{x -> 0.000534133}}
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(the error is harmless) for Al 6061 and Al 7475 which both have $m = 0.9$, the maximum groove depth is just $534 \mu\text{m}$. Any deeper, and the inhomogeneity introduced by the gooves will cause rupture before the bottle reaches its full diameter. This is a very shallow groove!

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In[56]:= m = 0.65;
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Solve[1.66 == -m Log[1 - Exp[-290 x]^(1/m)], x]
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Out[57]= {{x -> 0.000181492}}
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Al 5083 has $m = 0.65$, so the maximum groove depth is just $181 \mu\text{m}$.

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In[58]:= m = 0.38;
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Solve[1.66 == -m Log[1 - Exp[-290 x]^(1/m)], x]
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Out[59]= {{x -> 0.0000167098}}
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Al 7071 has $m = 0.38$, so it can only have $17 \mu\text{m}$ deep grooves. These would be imperceptible.

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Now you can imagine why it was only in recent years that thin-walled metal bottles have become common, and why those “eco-shape” water bottles, which are super thin and have complicated shapes with lots of grooves to provide mechanical strength, were only introduced recently in plastic, which is very resistant to necking. Also, you see perhaps why metal bottles do not typically have grooves on them.

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