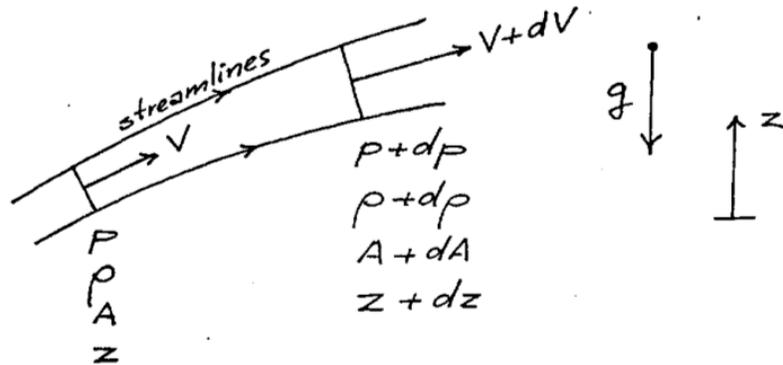


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2.25 Advanced Fluid Mechanics

Problem 4.05

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Consider the frictionless, steady flow of a compressible fluid in an infinitesimal stream tube.

(a) Demonstrate by the continuity and momentum theorems that

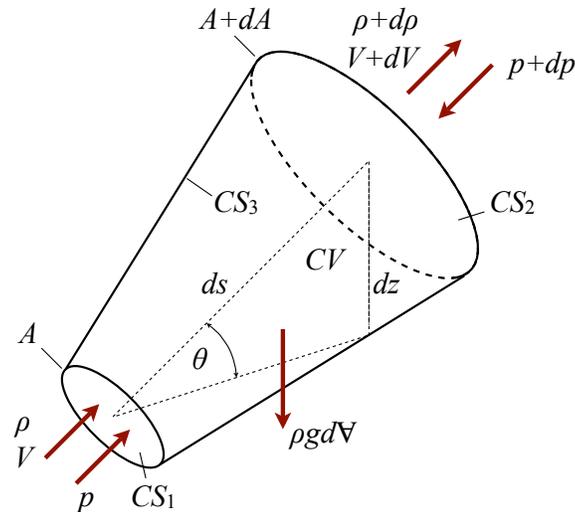
$$\frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dA}{A} + \frac{dV}{V} = 0$$

$$dp + \rho V dV + \rho g dz = 0$$

(b) Determine the integrated forms of these equations for an incompressible fluid.

(c) Derive the appropriate equations for unsteady frictionless, compressible flow, in a stream tube of cross-sectional area which depends on both space and time.

Solution:



(a) Here we consider an arbitrary control volume, CV , sitting along a streamline of length ds . For steady flow, we may write the integral mass conservation equation as

$$\int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n} dA = 0 \tag{4.05a}$$

To evaluate this integral we must decompose it into three integrals for the three sub-control surfaces of this volume. For CS_1 located at the upstream portion of the CV , the integral is

$$\int_{CS_1} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n} dA = -\rho V A \tag{4.05b}$$

For CS_2 the result is

$$\int_{CS_2} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n} dA = (\rho + d\rho)(V + dV)(A + dA) = \rho V A + \rho V dA + \rho A dV + \cancel{\rho dV dA} + V A d\rho + \cancel{V d\rho dA} + \cancel{A d\rho dV} + \cancel{d\rho dV dA} \tag{4.05c}$$

where we have neglected higher order terms. There is no flow across CS_3 so

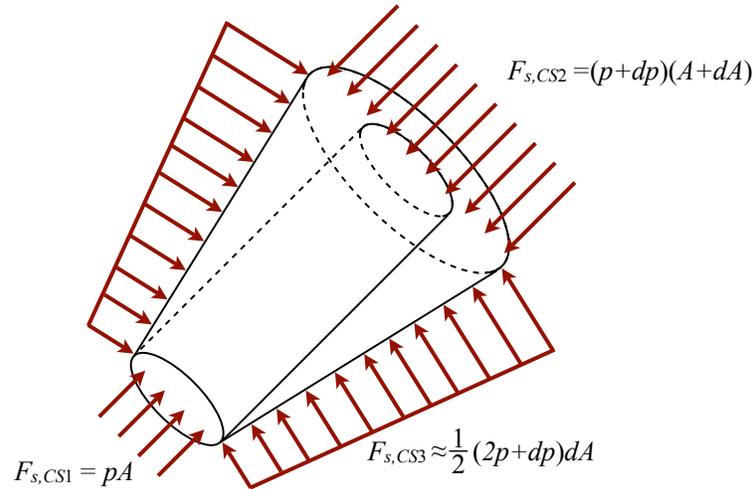
$$\int_{CS_3} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n} dA = 0 \tag{4.05d}$$

Combining Eq. (4.05b), (4.05c) and (4.05d) into Eq. (4.05a) we obtain

$$-\rho V A + \rho V A + \rho V dA + \rho A dV + V A d\rho = 0$$

Dividing this result by $\rho V A$, we have

$$\boxed{\frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dA}{A} + \frac{dV}{V} = 0} \tag{4.05e}$$



For steady flow, the integral momentum conservation equation is

$$\int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n}) dA = \sum \mathbf{F} \tag{4.05f}$$

To calculate the left hand side of Eq. (4.05f), we calculate the momentum flux across CS_1

$$\int_{CS_1} \rho \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n}) dA = -\rho V^2 A \tag{4.05g}$$

For CS_2 the result is

$$\int_{CS_2} \rho \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n}) dA = (\rho + d\rho)(V + dV)^2(A + dA) \approx \rho V^2 A + 2\rho V A dV + V^2 A d\rho + \rho V^2 dA \tag{4.05h}$$

when we neglect higher order terms. There is no momentum flux across CS_3 .

Now we must calculate the sum of the forces acting along the streamline direction. Since the flow is frictionless, the streamwise forces come only from pressure and gravity, hence

$$\sum \mathbf{F} \cdot \hat{s} = F_{gravity,s} + F_{pressure,s}$$

The gravitational force is

$$F_{gravity,s} = -\langle \rho \rangle dV g \sin \theta$$

where the angled brackets indicate the average value. Setting $\langle \rho \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(\rho + (\rho + d\rho))$ and $V = \frac{1}{2}(A + (A + dA)) ds$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{dz}{ds}$, we obtain

$$F_{gravity,s} = -\frac{1}{4}(2\rho + d\rho)(2A + dA)gdz = -\rho Agdz - \frac{1}{2}(\rho dA + d\rho A)gdz - \frac{1}{4}d\rho dA gdz \quad (4.05i)$$

where we neglect all terms higher than first order. The force arising from the pressure acting on the control volume is

$$F_{pressure,s} = pA - (p + dp)(A + dA) + \langle p \rangle A_{CS_3} \sin \theta$$

where we set $\langle p \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(p + (p + dp))$ and $A_{CS_3} \sin \theta = dA$. Having made these substitutions into the above equation we have

$$F_{pressure,s} = pA - (p + dp)(A + dA) + \frac{1}{2}(2p + dp)dA = -dpA - \frac{1}{2}dp dA \quad (4.05j)$$

where again we neglect the higher order term.

Combining Eq. (4.05g), (4.05h), (4.05i) and (4.05j) into Eq. (4.05f) we obtain

$$-\rho V^2 A + \rho V^2 A + 2\rho V AdV + V^2 Ad\rho + \rho V^2 dA = -\rho Agdz - dpA$$

Eliminating terms and rearranging this result, we have

$$\rho AV dV + \rho V^2 A \left(\frac{dV}{V} + \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dA}{A} \right) = -\rho Agdz - dpA \quad (4.05k)$$

Substituting Eq. (4.05e) into this result yields

$$\rho AV dV = -\rho Agdz - dpA \quad (4.05l)$$

Diving by A and rearranging we obtain

$$\boxed{dp + \rho V dV + \rho g dz = 0} \quad (4.05m)$$

(b) When we integrate Eq. (4.05e) from station 1 to station 2 on the streamline, we have

$$\int_{\rho_1}^{\rho_2} \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \int_{A_1}^{A_2} \frac{dA}{A} + \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{dV}{V} = 0 \quad (4.05n)$$

These integrals give

$$\ln\left(\frac{\rho_2}{\rho_1}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{A_2}{A_1}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{V_2}{V_1}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{\rho_2 V_2 A_2}{\rho_1 A_1 V_1}\right) = 0 \quad (4.05o)$$

This result may be rearranged to show

$$\boxed{\rho_1 A_1 V_1 = \rho_2 V_2 A_2} \quad (4.05p)$$

Again, when we integrate Eq. (4.05m) from station 1 to station 2 on the streamline, we have

$$\int_{p_1}^{p_2} dp + \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \rho V dV + \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \rho g dz = 0 \quad (4.05q)$$

Which gives the familiar Bernoulli equation

$$\boxed{p_2 - p_1 + \frac{1}{2}\rho(V_2^2 - V_1^2) + \rho g(z_2 - z_1) = 0} \quad (4.05r)$$

(c) For unsteady, frictionless, compressible flow, the integral mass conservation equation is

$$\int_{CV} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} + \int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} dA = 0 \quad (4.05s)$$

The surface integrals in Eq. (4.05b), (4.05c) and (4.05d) remain valid, and the time varying volume integral is

$$\int_{CV} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} A ds \quad (4.05t)$$

since in the limit $ds \rightarrow 0$, $dA \rightarrow 0$ and thus volume can be written as $A ds$. Combining Eq. (4.05b), (4.05c), (4.05d) and (4.05t) into Eq. (4.05s) and dividing by $\rho A V$ we obtain

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{\rho V} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} ds + \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dA}{A} + \frac{dV}{V} = 0} \quad (4.05u)$$

For unsteady flow, the integral momentum conservation equation is

$$\int_{CV} \frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} + \int_{CS} \rho \mathbf{u} (\mathbf{u} \cdot \hat{n}) dA = \sum \mathbf{F} \quad (4.05v)$$

The surface integrals and forces in Eq. (4.05g), (4.05h), (4.05i) and (4.05j) remain valid and the time dependent integral term is

$$\int_{CV} \frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} d\mathcal{V} = \frac{d}{dt} (\rho V) A ds \quad (4.05w)$$

again, since in the limit $ds \rightarrow 0$, $dA \rightarrow 0$ and thus volume is written as Ads . Combining Eq. (4.05g), (4.05h), (4.05i), (4.05j) and (4.05w) into Eq. (4.05v) we obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho V) A ds - \rho V^2 A + \rho V^2 A + 2\rho V A dV + V^2 A d\rho + \rho V^2 dA = -\rho A g dz - dp A$$

Eliminating terms, expanding the time derivative, dividing by A , and rearranging the result, we have

$$\rho \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} ds + \rho V dV + \rho V^2 \left(\frac{1}{\rho V} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} ds + \frac{dV}{V} + \frac{d\rho}{\rho} + \frac{dA}{A} \right) = -\rho g dz - dp$$

Substituting Eq. (4.05u) into the result above, rearranging and dividing by ρ we have

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} ds + \frac{dp}{\rho} + V dV + g dz = 0} \quad (4.05x)$$

Integrating Eq. (4.05x) from station 1 to station 2 on the streamline, we obtain the unsteady Bernoulli equation

$$\boxed{\int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} ds + \int_{s_1}^{s_2} \frac{dp}{\rho} ds + \frac{1}{2} (V_2^2 - V_1^2) + g(z_2 - z_1) = 0} \quad (4.05y)$$

If the fluid is incompressible, Eq. (4.05y) can be simplified into

$$\int_{s_1}^{s_2} \rho \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} ds + p_2 - p_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho (V_2^2 - V_1^2) + \rho g (z_2 - z_1) = 0 \quad (4.05z)$$

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