

**Master in Computational and Applied Physics**

# **Continuum and Fluid Mechanics**

## **CHAPTER 5: Basic equations of Fluid Mechanics**

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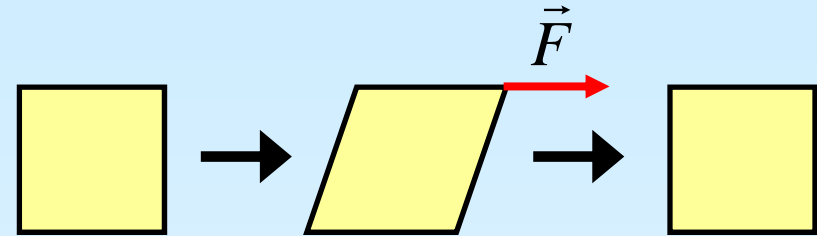
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# 1. Solids and fluids

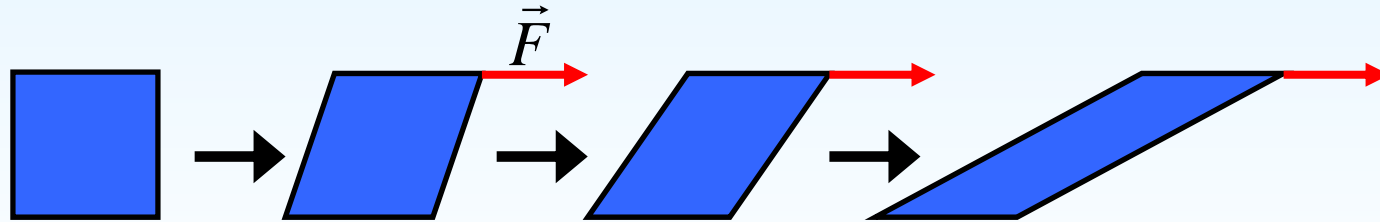
## Solid:

- ❖ has a preferred shape
- ❖ it takes another (constant) shape under the action of (constant) external forces
- ❖ it relaxes to that shape when the external forces are removed



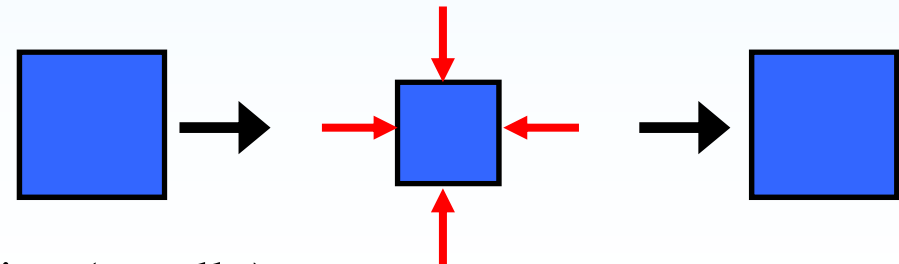
## Fluid:

- ❖ has not any preferred shape
- ❖ it changes shape continuously under the action of fixed external forces



This is so for shear stresses, but:

- for normal stresses fluids and solids behave similarly



- ❖ normal stresses can only be a compression (usually)

**Fluids:** { ❖ **Gases:** always tend to expand and occupy  
the entire volume of any container  
❖ **Liquids:** the volume does not change very much

The distinction between solids and fluids apply well to many materials under normal conditions but:

- solids under very strong shear stresses may behave partially as fluids (plasticity)
- some fluids (like jelly, paint, polymer solutions, ...) may behave partially as solids and have a partial memory of a 'preferred shape' (viscoelasticity)

## 2. Fluid statics (or Hydrostatics)

### Fluid at rest:

It is empirically found that stresses are isotropic:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = -p \mathbf{1}$$

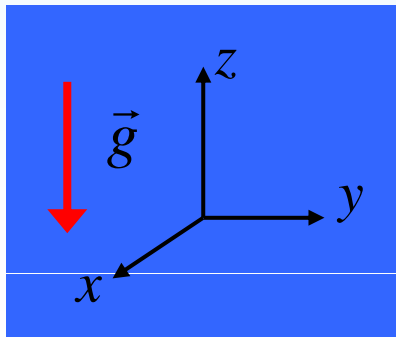
where  $p$  is  $> 0$  (compression) and is called the **pressure**

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} + \rho \vec{g}$$

momentum equation

$$\nabla p = \rho \vec{g}$$

### In case of gravity:



$\vec{g}$  = gravity acceleration

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -\rho g$$

$$p = -\rho g z + p_0$$

if  $g = \text{const.}$ ,  
 $\rho = \text{const.}$

### 3. Perfect gas

The density of fluids depends on pressure and temperature.

$\rho = \rho(p, T)$  is called the equation of state

most gasses in normal conditions obey the following equation of state:

$$p = \rho R T$$

$T$  = absolute temperature

$$R = \frac{R_U}{m_m}$$

$R_U$  = universal constant = 8.314 J mol<sup>-1</sup> K<sup>-1</sup>

$m_m$  = molecular mass. For dry air = 28.97 Kg/kmol

**Perfect gas** = the limit case when this equation is verified exactly

## Thermodynamic properties of perfect gasses

**Specific heat:**

$$C_V = \frac{1}{m} \left( \frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_{V=\text{const.}} \quad C_p = \frac{1}{m} \left( \frac{dQ}{dT} \right)_{p=\text{const.}}$$

$$C_p - C_v = R_U$$

$$\gamma = \frac{C_p}{C_v}$$

for air at ordinary temperatures:  
 $\gamma=1.4$  and  $C_p=1005 \text{ J Kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$

**For an adiabatic (no heat transfer) process:**

$$\frac{p}{\rho^\gamma} = \text{const.}$$

**Thermal expansion coefficient**

$$\alpha = -\frac{1}{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial T} \right)_{p=\text{const.}} = \frac{1}{T}$$

The specific internal energy is a function of the temperature only:  $U = U(T)$

## 4. Newtonian fluids

### Problem of fluid motions

### Equation of motion: Cauchy or momentum equations

$$\boxed{\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\tau} + \rho \vec{g}} \quad (m\vec{a} = \vec{F})$$

Usually, the body forces  $\vec{g}$  are known

➤ but, we need to know  $\boldsymbol{\tau}(\vec{v})$   
in order to solve for the motion

**constitutive equations**



Fluid at rest:

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = -p \mathbf{1}$$

$p$  = called  
thermodynamic  
pressure

**Fluid in motion:**

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = -p \mathbf{1} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

additional stresses which are  
proportional to the strain rate:

$$\sigma_{ij} = c_{ijmn} D_{mn}$$

If the fluid is isotropic:

$$c_{ijmn} = \lambda \delta_{ij} \delta_{mn} + \mu \delta_{im} \delta_{jn} + \gamma \delta_{in} \delta_{jm}$$

$$\sigma_{ij} = \text{symmetric} \Rightarrow \mu = \gamma \Rightarrow \sigma_{ij} = 2\mu D_{ij} + \lambda D_{kk} \delta_{ij}$$

$$\tau_{ij} = -p \delta_{ij} + \lambda D_{kk} \delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}$$

But the pressure was already defined from the mean normal stress  $\bar{p} = -\frac{1}{3}\tau_{ii}$

this is called the **mean pressure** and it is different from the thermodynamic one

$$\boxed{\tau_{ij} = -p\delta_{ij} + \lambda D_{kk}\delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\bar{p} = p - \left(\lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu\right) D_{ii}}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\boxed{p - \bar{p} = \left(\lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu\right) \nabla \cdot \vec{v}}$$

For **incompressible fluid**:  $\boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0} \Rightarrow \boxed{p = \bar{p}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\tau_{ij} = -p\delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}}$

In general, bulk viscosity:  $\kappa = \lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu$  is found to be  $\approx 0$

**Newtonian fluid:**  $\boxed{\kappa = \lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu = 0} \longrightarrow \boxed{\tau_{ij} = -\left(p + \frac{2}{3}\mu \nabla \cdot \vec{v}\right)\delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}}$

Air and water obey very well the Newtonian fluid model

**Examples of non Newtonian fluids:**

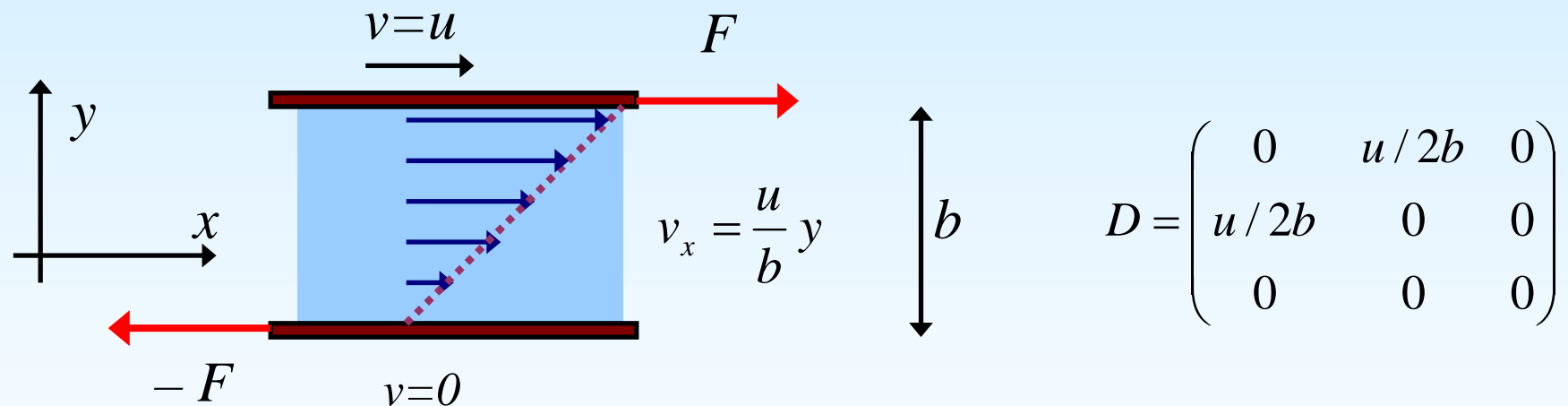
- ❖ solutions containing polymer molecules
- ❖ blood
- ❖ water with clay

- Stresses are nonlinear functions of strain rates
- Stresses depend not only on instantaneous values of strain rate but also on its history → material with memory → viscoelastic

$\mu$  = **viscosity coefficient**

it depends on the thermodynamic properties ( $T, \rho$ )

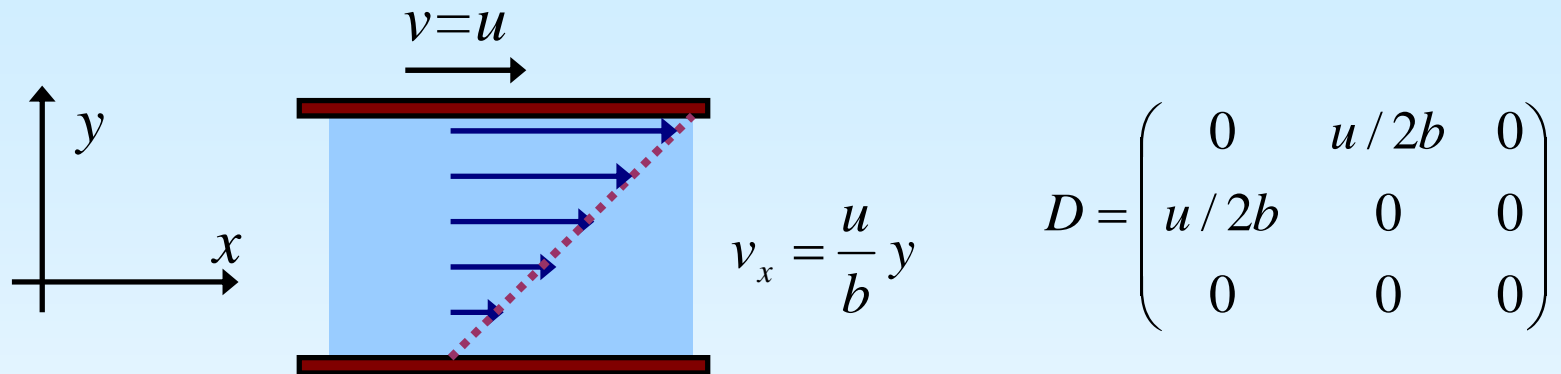
**Meaning:** shear experiment



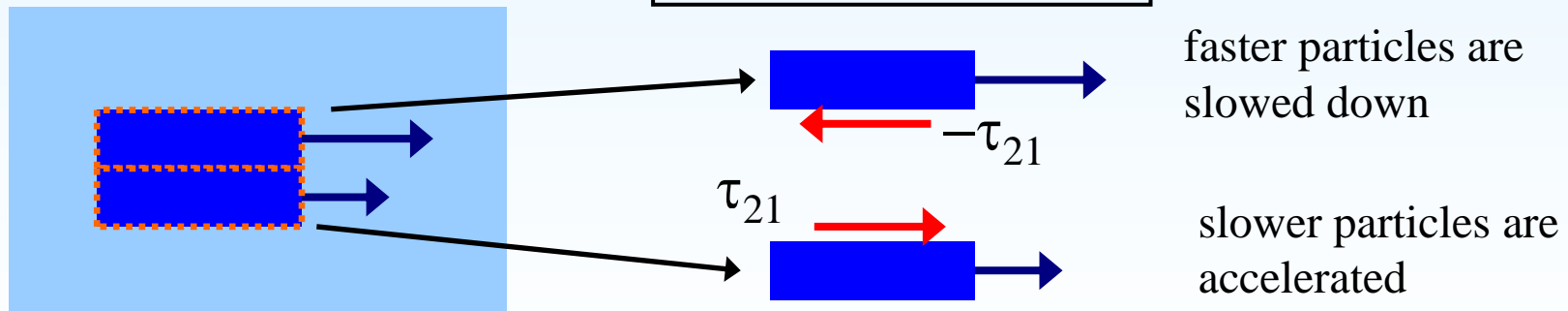
$$\tau_{ij} = -\left(p + \frac{2}{3}\mu\nabla \cdot \vec{v}\right)\delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij} \Rightarrow \tau_{21} = 2\mu D_{21} \Rightarrow \frac{F}{A} = 2\mu \frac{u}{2b}$$

$$\mu = \frac{F/A}{u/b}$$

**Meaning:** the viscosity tends to smooth out the gradients in velocity



$$\tau_{21} = 2\mu D_{21} = \mu \frac{u}{b} > 0$$



## Viscous dissipation

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} : \mathbf{D} = -p \nabla \cdot \vec{v} + \boldsymbol{\tau}' : \mathbf{D}'$$

deformation  
work

work  
associated  
to changes  
in volume

shear  
work

$$\tau_{ij} = -\left(p + \frac{2}{3}\mu \nabla \cdot \vec{v}\right) \delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}$$

$$\tau'_{ij} = 2\mu D'_{ij}$$

$$\tau'_{ij} D'_{ij} = 2\mu D'_{ij} D'_{ij}$$

Second law of  
thermodynamics  
 $\boldsymbol{\tau}' : \mathbf{D}' \geq 0$

- the viscosity is always positive
- the viscosity always dissipates mechanical energy

$$\mu \geq 0$$

$$2\mu D'_{ij} D'_{ij} \geq 0$$

viscous  
dissipation  
work

# 5. Navier-Stokes equations

## Problem of fluid motions

### Equation of motion

$$\rho \frac{dv_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial \tau_{ji}}{\partial x_j} + \rho g_i$$

### Newtonian fluid

$$\tau_{ij} = - \left( p + \frac{2}{3} \mu \nabla \cdot \vec{v} \right) \delta_{ij} + 2\mu D_{ij}$$

$$\rho \frac{dv_i}{dt} = - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \rho g_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \mu \left( \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{2\mu}{3} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_k} \delta_{ij} \right)$$

$$\mu = \text{const.} \longrightarrow \rho \frac{dv_i}{dt} = - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \rho g_i + \mu \frac{\partial^2 v_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + \frac{\mu}{3} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left( \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_j} \right)$$

## Navier-Stokes equations

$$\frac{dv_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial t} + v_j \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j}$$

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \frac{\mu}{3} \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{v})$$

but the pressure and the density changes are unknown  $\rightarrow \rho$  and  $p$  are also variables



continuity equation and  
state equation  
are involved:

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0$$

$$\rho = \rho(p, T)$$

$\Rightarrow T$  is also a variable !

equation for the temperature is needed: first law of Thermodynamics

$$\rho \frac{du}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\tau} : \mathbf{D} - \nabla \cdot \vec{q} + \rho r$$

$$u = u(T, \rho)$$



Therefore, the dynamical problem involves at least (in general):

**6 variables:** velocity, pressure, density, temperature:

$$\vec{v}(\vec{x}, t), p(\vec{x}, t), \rho(\vec{x}, t), T(\vec{x}, t)$$

**6 equations:**

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \frac{\mu}{3} \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) \\ \frac{d\rho}{dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \vec{v} = 0 \\ \rho = \rho(p, T) \\ \rho \frac{du}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\tau} : \mathbf{D} - \nabla \cdot \vec{q} + \rho r \end{array} \right. \quad u = u(T, \rho)$$

If viscosity can be neglected:

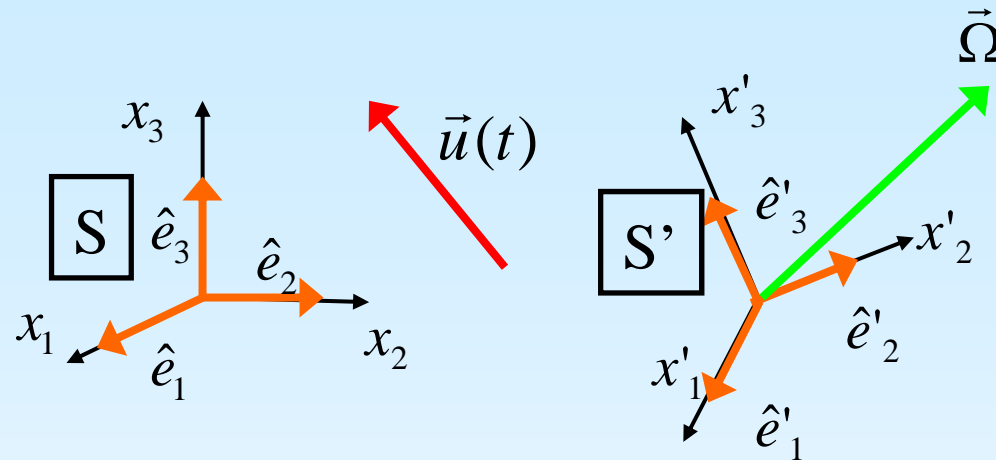
$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g}$$

**Euler equations**



$$\frac{\partial v_i}{\partial t} + v_j \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + g_i$$

## 6. Rotating frames



time derivative in S

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_S = \frac{du_i}{dt} \hat{e}_i$$

time derivative in S'

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_{S'} = \frac{du'_i}{dt} \hat{e}'_i$$

$$\vec{u} = u_i \hat{e}_i = u'_i \hat{e}'_i \Rightarrow \left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_S = \frac{du'_i}{dt} \hat{e}'_i + u'_i \left( \frac{d\hat{e}'_i}{dt} \right)_S = \left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_{S'} + u'_i \left( \frac{d\hat{e}'_i}{dt} \right)_S$$

$$\left( \frac{d\hat{e}'_i}{dt} \right)_S = ? \quad \hat{e}'_i = Q_{ji} \hat{e}_j \Rightarrow \frac{d\hat{e}'_i}{dt} = \frac{dQ_{ji}}{dt} \hat{e}_j = \frac{dQ_{ji}}{dt} Q_{jk} \hat{e}'_k = W_{ki} \hat{e}'_k$$

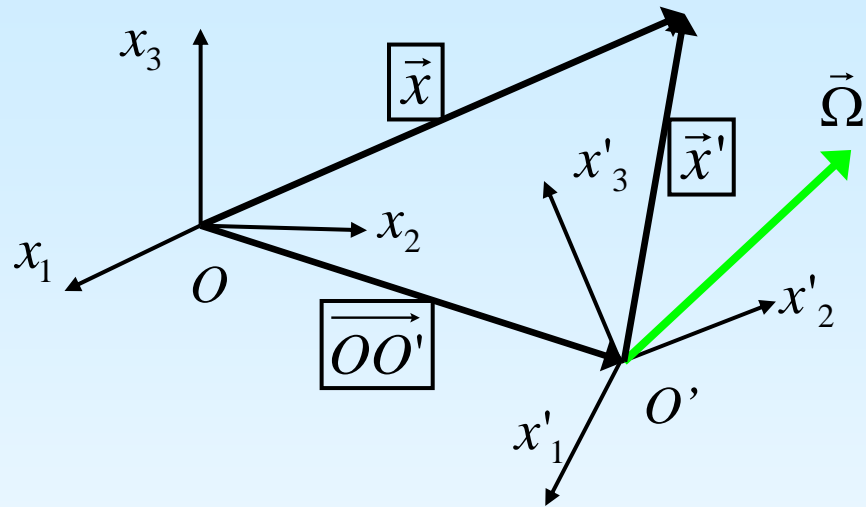
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antisymmetric

$$\Omega_i = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{ijk} W_{jk} \rightarrow \left( \frac{d\hat{e}'_i}{dt} \right)_S = \vec{\Omega} \times \hat{e}'_i$$

$\vec{\Omega}$  = angular velocity of frame S' relative to frame S

**Euler equations**

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_S = \left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_{S'} + \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{u}$$



$$\vec{x} = \overrightarrow{OO'} + \vec{x}'$$

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{x}'}{dt} \right)_S = \left( \frac{d\vec{x}'}{dt} \right)_{S'} + \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{x}'$$

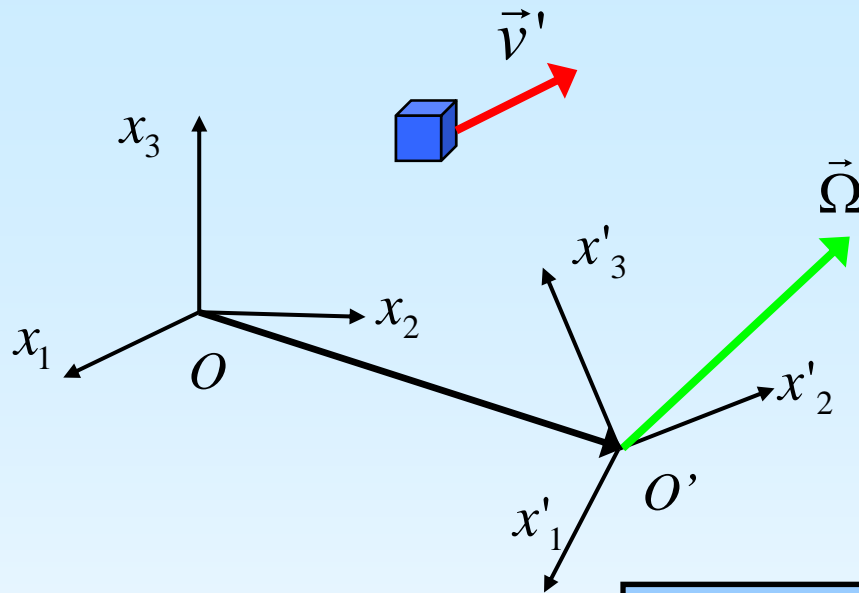
$$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_{OO'} + \vec{v}' + \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{x}'$$

$$\left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_S = \left( \frac{d\vec{u}}{dt} \right)_{S'} + \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{u}$$

$$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_{OO'} + \vec{a}' + \vec{\Omega} \times (\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{x}) + 2\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{v}' + \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{dt} \times \vec{x}'$$

centripetal  
acceleration

Coriolis  
acceleration



**Navier Stokes equations in  
the rotating frame**

$$\rho \frac{d\vec{v}'}{dt} = -\nabla p + \rho \vec{g}' + \mu \nabla^2 \vec{v} + \frac{\mu}{3} \nabla(\nabla \cdot \vec{v}) - \underbrace{2\rho \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{v}'}_{\text{Coriolis force}}$$

with

$$\vec{g}' = \underbrace{\vec{g} - \vec{\Omega} \times (\vec{\Omega} \times \vec{x}')}_{\text{centrifugal force} / \rho} - \vec{a}_{O'O} - \frac{d\vec{\Omega}}{dt} \times \vec{x}'$$

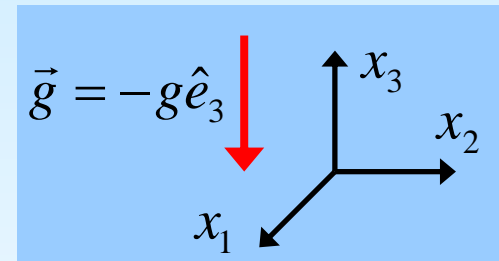
**centrifugal  
force /  $\rho$**

# 7. Bernoulli equation

**Simplified expression of the Euler equations**  
(equations of motion for inviscid fluid, i.e., viscosity is neglected)

**Assumptions:**

- no viscosity,  $\mu = 0$
- barotropic flow, i.e.,  $\rho = \rho(p)$
- body force is gravity (= const.)



Euler equations:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \vec{g}$$

- $\vec{g} = -\nabla(gx_3)$
- $\vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} + \nabla\left(\frac{1}{2}v^2\right)$  vector identity already proven
- $F(p) \equiv \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)} \Rightarrow \nabla F = \frac{dF}{dp} \nabla p = \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \vec{g}$$

$$\triangleright \quad \vec{g} = -\nabla(gx_3) \equiv -\nabla(gz)$$

$$\triangleright \quad \vec{v} \cdot \nabla \vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} + \nabla \left( \frac{1}{2} v^2 \right)$$

$$\triangleright \quad F(p) \equiv \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)} \Rightarrow \nabla F = \frac{dF}{dp} \nabla p = \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \Theta = \vec{v} \times \vec{\omega}$$

with

$$\Theta = \frac{1}{2} v^2 + g z + \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)}$$

**Bernoulli  
function**

This equation is specially useful in two particular cases:

1. Steady flow
2. Irrotational flow

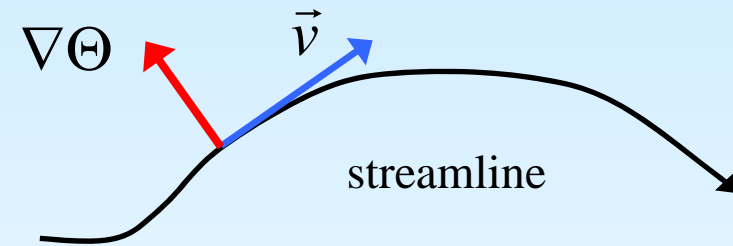
## Bernoulli equation for steady flow

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \Theta = \vec{v} \times \vec{\omega}$$

$$\nabla \Theta = \vec{v} \times \vec{\omega}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\nabla \Theta \perp \vec{v}$$



$$\Theta = \frac{1}{2} v^2 + g z + \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)}$$

= constant along the streamlines

The constant may be different for different streamlines

$\vec{\omega} = 0 \Rightarrow$  the constant is the same everywhere in the flow



## Bernoulli equation for irrotational flow

Irrotational flow:  $\boxed{\vec{\omega} = \nabla \times \vec{v} = 0} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \boxed{\exists \phi \mid \vec{v} = \nabla \phi}$

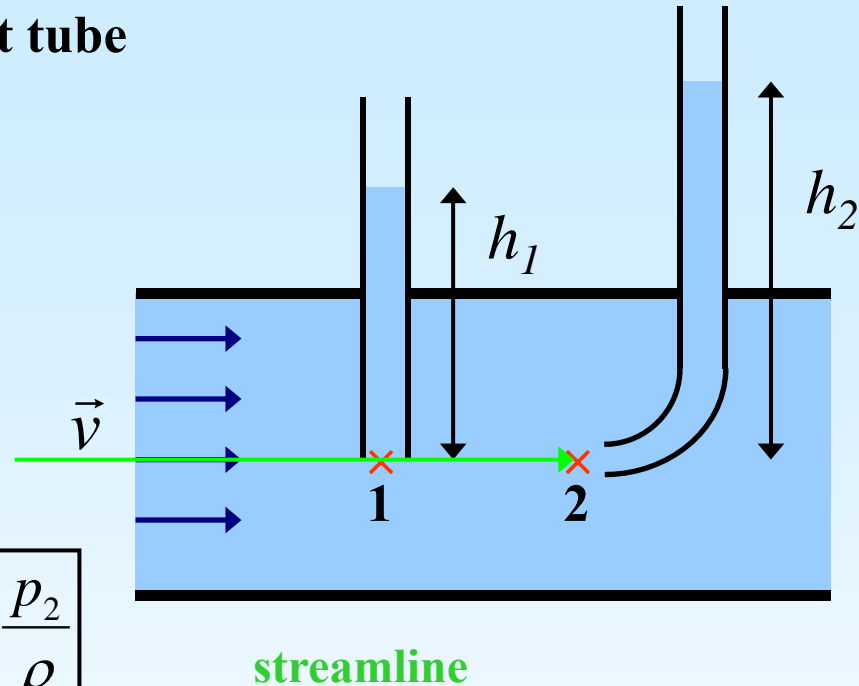
potential flow

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \Theta = \vec{v} \times \vec{\omega}} &\xrightarrow{\text{potential flow}} \boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\nabla \phi) + \nabla \Theta = 0} \\ &\downarrow \\ \boxed{\nabla \left( \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} v^2 + g z + \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)} \right) = 0} &\downarrow \\ \boxed{\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} v^2 + g z + \int \frac{dp}{\rho(p)} = F(t)} \end{aligned}$$

## Application of Bernoulli: Pitot tube

device to measure a flow velocity

- steady flow
- viscosity is neglected
- $\rho = \text{const.}$



$$\frac{1}{2}v_1^2 + gz_1 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} = \frac{1}{2}v_2^2 + gz_2 + \frac{p_2}{\rho}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}v_1^2 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} = \frac{p_2}{\rho}$$

$$v_1 = \sqrt{2g(h_2 - h_1)}$$

inside the vertical tubes there is hydrostatic balance:  
 $p_1 = p_{atm} + \rho g h_1$  ,  $p_2 = p_{atm} + \rho g h_2$

## Application of Bernoulli: orifice in a tank

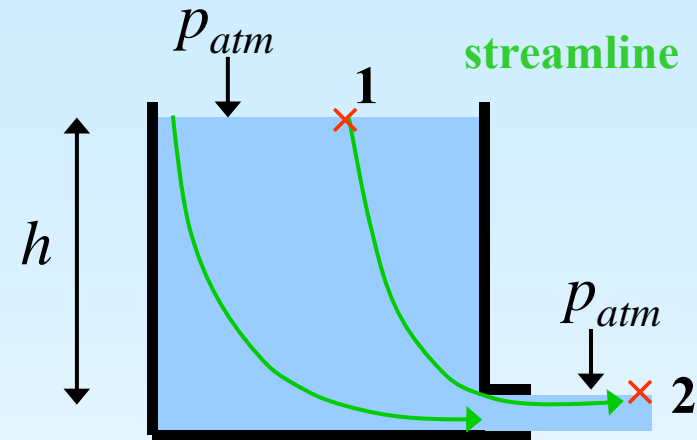
- orifice small  $\Rightarrow$  flow approximately steady
- viscosity is neglected
- $\rho = \text{const.}$

$$\frac{1}{2}v_1^2 + gz_1 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} = \frac{1}{2}v_2^2 + gz_2 + \frac{p_2}{\rho}$$

$$gh = \frac{1}{2}v_2^2$$

$$v_2 = \sqrt{2gh}$$

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \rho A \sqrt{2gh}$$



Actually, the function

$$\Theta = \frac{1}{2}v^2 + gz + \frac{p}{\rho}$$

has the same value everywhere since it has the same value at any point on the free surface  $\Rightarrow$  **flow is irrotational**

$$\frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \Theta = \vec{v} \times \vec{\omega}$$

$$\vec{v} \times \vec{\omega} = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{\omega} = 0$$