

## Lecture 19: Stokes Equation



Logistics: HW 7 is posted due next Thursday

Last time: Navier - Stokes eqns

$$\text{Gen. balance law: } \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \underline{j}(u) = f_s$$

$$\text{now } \underline{u} = \rho \underline{v} \quad \underline{\text{lin. mom.}}$$

$$\text{adv. flux: } \underline{j}_A = \rho \underline{v} \otimes \underline{v} \quad \text{dyadic}$$

$$\text{diff. flux: } \underline{j}_D = -\underline{\sigma} = \rho \underline{\underline{I}} - \underline{\underline{\tau}}$$

$\sigma$  = Cauchy stress tensor

$\tau$  = deviatoric stress

Cauchy's Equ of motion:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho \underline{v}) + \nabla \cdot [\rho (\underline{v} \otimes \underline{v}) + \rho \underline{\underline{I}} - \underline{\underline{\tau}}] = \rho \underline{g}$$

Constitutive law: incompressible Newtonian

$$\underline{\underline{\tau}} = \mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v}) \quad \mu = \text{viscosity}$$

Navier Stokes Equations

$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \underline{v} = -\frac{\nabla P}{\rho} + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{v} + \underline{g}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = 0$$

Today: Stokes Equations

## Scaling N-S Equations

$$\rho \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho \underline{v} \otimes \underline{v} - \mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v})] = -\nabla p + \rho \underline{g}$$

as long as we don't consider buoyancy we

can absorb the gravity term into a reduced pressure

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rhs} &= -\nabla p + \rho \underline{g} = -\nabla p - \rho g \hat{\underline{z}} = -\nabla p - \rho g \nabla z = -\nabla \\ &= -\nabla (p + \rho g z) = -\nabla \pi \quad \hat{\underline{z}} = \nabla z \end{aligned}$$

where  $\pi = p + \rho g z$  is reduced pressure 

which can be related to hyd. head  $h = \frac{\pi}{\rho g}$

For now we leave N-S with red. pressure

$$\rho \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho (\underline{v} \otimes \underline{v}) - \mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v})] = -\nabla \pi$$

## Non-dimensionalization

Define generic scales

$$\underline{v}' = \frac{\underline{v}}{v_c} \quad \underline{x}' = \frac{\underline{x}}{x_c} \quad t' = \frac{t}{t_c} \quad \pi' = \frac{\pi}{\pi_c} \quad \mu' = \frac{\mu}{\mu_c}$$

substitute into non. bal.

$$\frac{\rho v_c}{t_c} \frac{\partial \underline{v}'}{\partial t'} + \nabla' \cdot \left[ \frac{\rho v_c^2}{x_c} (\underline{v}' \otimes \underline{v}') - \frac{\mu v_c}{x_c^2} \mu' (\nabla' \underline{v}' + \nabla'^T \underline{v}') \right] = - \frac{\pi_c}{x_c} \nabla' \pi'$$

First lets do an advective ADE scaling

→ scale to the accumulation kernel

$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}'}{\partial t'} + \nabla' \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\frac{t_c v_c}{x_c}}_{\Pi_1} (\underline{v}' \otimes \underline{v}') - \underbrace{\frac{\mu t_c}{\rho x_c^2}}_{\Pi_2} \mu' (\nabla' \underline{v}' + \nabla'^T \underline{v}') \right] = \underbrace{\frac{\pi_c t_c}{\rho v_c x_c}}_{\Pi_3} \nabla' \pi'$$

Three dimensionless groups:

First two are identical to std. ADE once

we recognise  $\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$  has units of  $\frac{L^2}{T}$

and represents a "momentum diffusivity"

$\Pi_1$  and  $\Pi_2$  define two time scales:

$$\Pi_1 = \frac{v_c t_c}{x_c} = 1 \Rightarrow t_A = \frac{x_c}{v_c} \quad \text{advective timescale}$$

"time to flow distance  $x_c$  with velocity  $v_c$ "

$$\Pi_2 = \frac{\nu t_c}{x_c^2} = 1 \Rightarrow t_D = \frac{x_c^2}{\nu} \quad \text{diffusive time scale}$$

"time for mom./vorticity to diffuse distance  $x_c$ "

In our applications we use  $\Pi_3$  to define a pressure scale

$$\Pi_3 = \frac{\pi_c t_c}{\rho v_c x_c} = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{\pi_c = \rho v_c x_c / t_c}$$

Choosing a diffusion time scale  $t_c = t_D$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}'}{\partial t'} + \nabla' \cdot \left[ \frac{v_c x_c}{\nu} (\underline{v}' \otimes \underline{v}') - \mu' (\nabla' \underline{v}' + \nabla' \underline{v}'^T) \right] = \nabla' \pi'$$

One dimensionless group left. in form of a Peclet number which compares adv. & diff. mom. transport.

$$\boxed{Pe_m = \frac{v_c x_c}{\nu_c} = \frac{\rho v_c x_c}{\mu_c} = \frac{t_D}{t_A} = Re} \quad \text{Reynolds \#}$$

Dimensionless NS equation

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial \underline{v}'}{\partial t'} + \nabla' \cdot [Re (\underline{v}' \otimes \underline{v}') - \mu' (\nabla' \underline{v}' + \nabla' \underline{v}'^T)] = -\nabla' \pi'}$$

Clearly "momentum term" vanishes if  $Re \rightarrow 0$

For application to ice, glaciers we have the following approx. parameters:

$$\rho = 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$v_c = 1 - 100 \text{ m/yr} \approx 10^{-7} - 10^{-5} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \rightarrow 10^{-6} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\mu_c = 10^{13} - 10^{15} \text{ Pa s} \approx 10^{14} \text{ Pa s}$$

$$x_c = 10^2 - 10^3 \text{ m} \sim 10^2 \text{ m}$$

$$Re = \frac{\rho v_c x_c}{\mu_c} = 10^{3-6+2-14} = 10^{-15} \ll 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  adv. mom. transport is negligible.

$$Re = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot [\mu (\nabla v + \nabla^T v)] = -\nabla \cdot \pi'$$

"Transient Stokes equ", but is it worth resolving

these transients?

Estimate diff. time scale:

$$t_D = \frac{x_c^2 \rho}{\mu_c} = 10^{4+3-14} \text{ s} = 10^{-7} \text{ s}$$

Not worth resolving on timescales of 10-100 years

$\Rightarrow$  Choose a different ~~non~~ ~~dim.~~ scaling

- clearly viscosity term is dominant
  - but rate of change is instantaneous
- ⇒ scale immediately to viscous time

(dropping primes)

$$\frac{\rho v_c}{t_c} \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left[ \frac{\rho v_c^2}{x_c} (\underline{v} \otimes \underline{v}) - \frac{\mu_c v_c}{x_c^2} \mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v}) \right] = - \frac{\pi_c}{v_c} \nabla \pi$$

↑  
divide by this

$$\frac{\rho x_c^2}{\mu_c t_c} \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\frac{v_c x_c}{\nu}}_{Re} (\underline{v} \otimes \underline{v}) - \mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v}) \right] = - \underbrace{\frac{\pi_c x_c}{v_c \mu_c}}_{=1} \nabla \pi$$

$u_c = \frac{\mu_c v_c}{x_c}$

choose advective time scale:  $t_c = \frac{x_c}{v_c}$

$$\frac{\rho x_c^2}{\mu_c t_c} = \frac{\rho v_c x_c}{\mu_c} = \frac{v_c x_c}{\nu_c} = Re$$

$$Re \left( \frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\underline{v} \otimes \underline{v}) \right) - \nabla \cdot [\mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v})] = \nabla \pi$$

In limit of  $Re \ll 1$  ⇒ Stokes equation

Stokes equation

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla \cdot [\mu (\nabla \underline{v} + \nabla^T \underline{v})] &= \nabla \pi \\ \nabla \cdot \underline{v} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

for variable viscosity

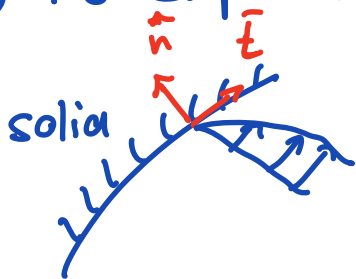
in limit of  $\mu' = 1$   $\mu = \text{const}$

$$\begin{aligned} -\nabla^2 \underline{v} &= \nabla \pi \\ \nabla \cdot \underline{v} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Stokes flow is instantaneous

Boundary conditions for Stokes

1) No slip condition at solid bed



if bed is stationary  $\underline{v}_b = 0$

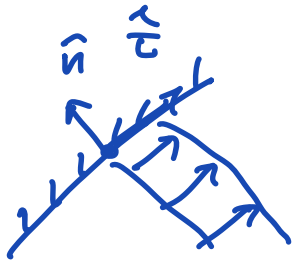
$$\underline{v}|_{x \in \partial\Omega} = \underline{0}$$

Dirichlet type BC

$\Rightarrow$  prescribe velocity

$\Rightarrow$  implemented with constraints

2) Free slip BC / No shear stress



$$\underline{v} \cdot \hat{n} \Big|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$$

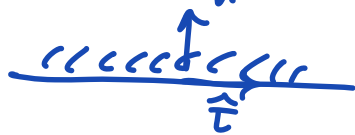
$$\hat{t} \cdot (\underline{\underline{\sigma}} \hat{n}) \Big|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \quad \text{no shear stress}$$

$$\text{here } \underline{t} = \underline{\underline{\sigma}} \hat{n} \quad \text{traction on bed}$$

$$t_{||} = \hat{t} \cdot \underline{t} \quad \text{comp. of traction}$$

|| to bed

In a cartesian geometry



$$\hat{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \hat{t} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{t} \cdot (\underline{\underline{\sigma}} \hat{n}) = (1 \ 0) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} v_{x,x} & \frac{1}{2}(v_{x,y} + v_{y,x}) \\ \frac{1}{2}(v_{x,y} + v_{y,x}) & v_{y,y} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (v_{x,y} + v_{y,x})$$

since  $v_y = 0$  along bed  $\frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} \Big|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Neumann BC}$$