
UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND



MAIN EXAMINATION, 2017/2018

B.Sc. IV, BASS IV, B.Ed IV

Title of Paper : Fluid Dynamics

Course Number : M455

Time Allowed : Three (3) Hours

Instructions

1. This paper consists of SIX (6) questions in TWO sections.
2. Section A is **COMPULSORY** and is worth 40%. Answer ALL questions in this section.
3. Section B consists of FIVE questions, each worth 20%. Answer ANY THREE (3) questions in this section. If you answer more than three (3) questions in Section B, **only the first three questions answered in Section B will be marked**
4. Show all your working.
5. Start each new major question (A1, B1-B5) on a new page and clearly indicate the question number at the top of the page.
6. Indicate your program next to your student ID.

Special Requirements: NONE

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SECTION A [40 Marks]: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION A1 [40 Marks]

A1. Among four states of matter define

- (a) Solids, [2]
(b) Liquids. [2]

A2. Describe the Lagrange method of treating motion of continuum medium. [4]

A3. A velocity field in polar is given as

$$\vec{V} = \frac{A}{r}(\bar{e}_r + \bar{e}_\theta)$$

Find the stream line passing through the point $(r, \theta) = (1, 0)$. [4]

A4. Does the following set of velocity components $u = 2xy - x^2 + y$, $v = 2xy - y^2 + x^2$, represent two-dimensional

- (a) incompressible flow, [3]
(b) irrotational flow? [3]

A5. Explain the term τ_{xz} . [3]

A6. A closed container contains water at a 5m depth. The absolute pressure above the water surface is 0.3 atm. Calculate the absolute pressure on the inside of the bottom surface of the container.

Hint: 1 atm = 101.3 kpa. [5]

A7. Write down

- (a) Euler equation of the motion, [3]
(b) Navier-Stoke's equation (NSE) for incompressible flow. [3]
(c) NSE in dimensionless form. [3]

A8. Apply Euler equation for potential force field and vector identity given in "useful formulae" to show that

$$\vec{V} \times \vec{\omega} = \nabla \left(\frac{1}{2} V^2 + \phi + \frac{p}{\rho} \right)$$

in the usual notations. [5]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

QUESTION B1 [20 Marks]

- a) Define a density at a point using a continuum model. [3]
- b) Consider the flow field given in Eulerian description by the expression $\bar{V} = Ai + Btj$, where $A = 2\frac{m}{s}$, $B = 0.3\frac{m}{s^2}$, and the coordinates are measured in meters. Derive the Lagrange position functions for the field particle that was located at the point $(x, y) = (1, 1)$ at the instant $t = 0$.
- i) Obtain an algebraic expression for the pathline followed by this particle. [4]
- ii) Plot the pathline and compare with the streamlines through the same point at the instants $t = 0, 1$ and 2 s [4]
- c) Derive the formula for convective derivative of the density. [6]
- d) For the flow in xy plane, the y component of velocity is given by

$$v = y^2 - 2x + 2y.$$

Determine a possible x component for steady, incompressible flow. [3]

QUESTION B2 [20 Marks]

- a) Prove $\bar{V} = \nabla\psi \times \bar{k}$ in the usual notations. [3]
- b) Consider the flow field given by
- $$\psi = 9 + 6x - 4y + 7xy.$$
- i) Show that flow is irrotational. [3]
- ii) Determine the velocity potential ϕ for this flow. [3]
- iii) Show that lines of constant ψ and ϕ are orthogonal. [3]
- (c) The stream function for a certain incompressible flow field is given by the expression

$$\psi(r, \theta) = -Ur \sin \theta + \frac{q\theta}{2\pi}.$$

- i) Obtain an expression for the velocity field. [3]
- ii) Find the stagnation point, and [3]
- iii) Show that $\psi = 0$ there. [2]

QUESTION B3 [20 Marks]

- a) Prove that the pressure at a point of fluid is the same in all directions. [6]
- b) Derive relation of pressure to body forces. [4]
- c) State and prove Archimedes' theorem. [6]
- d) Define the Newtonian fluid. [4]

QUESTION B4 [20 Marks]

- a) The velocity distribution in two-dimensions flow is given by

$$\bar{V} = (Ax + By)i - Ayj, \quad \text{where } A = 1s^{-1}, B = 2s^{-1},$$

and the coordinates are measured in meters.

- i) Is it a possible incompressible flow? [2]
 - ii) Find the acceleration of fluid particle at point $(x, y) = (1, 2)$. [5]
 - iii) Find the pressure gradient at the same point, if $\bar{g} = -g\bar{j}$ and the fluid is water. [5]
 - iv) Find the pressure distribution along the x-axis if $p(0, 0) = 100pa$. [3]
- b) A tank partly filled with water is subject to a constant linear horizontal acceleration a_x . Using the Euler equation, find the shape of the free surface. [5]

QUESTION B5 [20 Marks]

- a) Consider steady, incompressible viscous flow in a cylindrical pipe of radius a (Poiseuille flow). Neglect body forces. Pressure gradient is G . Pressure at $z = 0$ is P_0 . Put $\bar{V} = u(r)\bar{k}$ and apply Navier-Stoke's equations to show that

i) $P = P(z) = P_0 - Gz$, [5]

ii) $u(r) = \frac{G}{4\mu}(a^2 - r^2)$. [5]

- b) Air flows steadily through a horizontal nozzle, discharging to the atmosphere. At the nozzle inlet, the area is $0.1m^2$. At the nozzle exit, the area is $0.02m^2$. The flow is incompressible, and frictional effects are negligible. Air density is $1.23kg/m^3$. Apply Bernoulli's equation to determine the gage pressure required at the nozzle inlet to produce an outlet speed of $50m/s$. [10]

END OF EXAMINATION PAPER

USEFUL FORMULAE

The gradient of a function $\psi(r, \theta, z)$ in cylindrical coordinates is

$$\nabla\psi = \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial r}\hat{r} + \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial\theta}\hat{\theta} + \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial z}\hat{k}$$

The divergence and curl of the vector field

$$\underline{v} = v_r\hat{r} + v_\theta\hat{\theta} + v_z\hat{k}$$

in cylindrical coordinates are

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \frac{1}{r} \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial r}(rv_r) + \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta}(v_\theta) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z}(rv_z) \right\}$$

and

$$\nabla \times \underline{v} = \frac{1}{r} \det \begin{bmatrix} \hat{r} & r\hat{\theta} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ v_r & rv_\theta & v_z \end{bmatrix}$$

The divergence of a vector

$$\underline{v} = v_r\hat{r} + v_\lambda\hat{\lambda} + v_\theta\hat{\theta}$$

in spherical coordinates

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial(r^2 v_r)}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r \sin\theta} \frac{\partial v_\lambda}{\partial\lambda} + \frac{1}{r \sin\theta} \frac{\partial(\sin\theta v_\theta)}{\partial\theta}$$

The convective derivative and Laplacian in cylindrical coordinates are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D}{Dt} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} + v_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \nabla^2 &= \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial\theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \end{aligned}$$

Identities

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \underline{v} &= \nabla \left(\frac{v^2}{2} \right) - \underline{v} \times \underline{\omega} \\ \nabla \times (\nabla \times \underline{a}) &= \nabla \nabla \cdot \underline{a} - \nabla^2 \underline{a} \end{aligned}$$