

## Lecture 17 - Creeping Flow

### I. Overview of creeping flow

- \* From a dimensional analysis of the Navier-Stokes equation, we found that at low Reynolds number, we get Stokes Equation:

$$\theta = -\nabla P + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{v}$$

- \* Sometimes we have additional body forces (as we will talk about shortly) and we can add those with an additional force term:

$$\theta = -\nabla P + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{v} + E$$

- \* Sometimes you hear that turbulent flow is the most practical regime to study in fluid mechanics (often by those who study it, cough, Dr. Lightfoot). However, Stokes flow or creeping flow is extremely useful; it has been a focus of study in chemical engineering for the last 30 years.

- \* Creeping flow occurs at low  $Re$ , when lengths are small, viscosity is large, and flow is slow:

- Oil recovery (viscous, small pores in rocks)
- Biology (blood vessels, cells are small)

- colloids = paints, cosmetics, personal care products  
consumer products

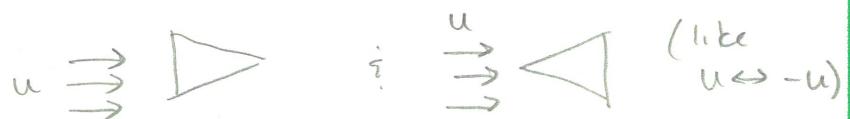
(small nm to μm-size particles / suspensions)

- polymers = plastics, biopolymers (DNA, proteins)

Just to name a few cases of interest...

\* The qualitative features of creeping flow are not  
intuitive:

- No inertia: (acceleration term is gone),  
aka "over-damped." When you stop the force, the fluid immediately stops.  
(our intuition is of fluids w/ inertia / turbulence).  
Think of swimming in Karo Syrup.
- Pseudo-steady: No time on RHS! As soon as apply a force, you get steady-state.
- Reversible: Streamlines are the same if the flow direction is reversed. This has odd consequences.
  - Fluid Mech video (stirring)
  - "streamlined" shapes don't matter



Have the same drag force!

(Not same as  $\rightarrow \Delta u \neq -u$ )

\* Mathematically, the Stokes equation is linear.

- The  $\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{\nabla} \underline{v}$  term gone!
- This means solutions are unique! we can use superposition! The methods of ch. 5 apply!
- Reversibility is a consequence of linearity

\* we can re-write the Stokes equation

in a way that is easier to solve. Doing so involves the stream function.

$$\underline{v} = \underline{\nabla} \Psi \times \frac{\underline{e}_3}{h_3} \quad \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{unit vector in "3rd" dimension} \\ \text{that you don't care about} \end{matrix}$$

- example: Cartesian

$$v_x = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y}, \quad v_y = -\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x}$$

See table 6-12  
in Deen for  
more

- example: Cylindrical ( $r, \theta, z$ ), ie.  $\theta$  symmetric

$$v_z = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r}, \quad v_r = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z}$$

- why this definition? Defined so that

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{v} = \underline{\nabla} \cdot \left( \underline{\nabla} \Psi \times \frac{\underline{e}_3}{h_3} \right) = 0$$

for any  $\Psi$ . (Already accounts for continuity!)

- Especially useful for bidirectional flows (e.g. bidirectional or axisymmetric)

- The stream function is not the vorticity

$$\underline{\omega} = \nabla \times \underline{v} \quad \underline{\omega}: \text{vector}$$

$$\underline{v} = \nabla \Psi \times \left( \frac{\underline{e}_3}{h_3} \right) \quad \Psi: \text{scalar}$$

But, you can re-write Navier-Stokes in terms of  $\Psi$  &  $\underline{\omega}$ . Why do this? Because we don't have an explicit expression for  $P$ . So, we change variables.

Example: Cartesian,  $\underline{e}_3 = \underline{e}_z$

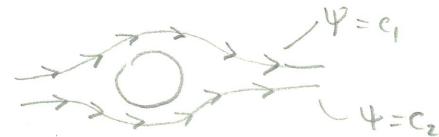
$$\nabla^2 \Psi = -w_z$$

$$\frac{D\underline{w}}{Dt} = \underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla \underline{v} + \nu \nabla^2 \underline{w}$$

vorticity equation  
(take curl of N-S)

- what does the stream function mean?

Constant values of  $\Psi$  are "streamlines". They are parallel / tangent to velocity vectors



\* For Stokes Equation, the vorticity equation & stream function become more simple:

How get these?  
①  $\nabla \times (\text{N-S}) \rightarrow$  vorticity Eq.  
② plug into  $\nabla^2 \Psi = w_z$ .

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla^2 \underline{w} &= 0 \\ \nabla^4 \Psi &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Cartesian}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \nabla^2 \underline{w} &= 0 \\ E^4 \Psi &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{axisymmetric}$$

"biharmonic Eq."  
"stream function form"  
of Stokes Eq.

$$\nabla^4 = \nabla^2(\nabla^2) = \nabla \cdot \nabla (\nabla \cdot \nabla) \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{biharmonic operator} \\ \text{biLaplacian operator} \end{array}$$

$$E^4 = E^2(E^2)$$

$$\text{recall: } \nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \quad (\text{Cartesian, 2D})$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \quad (\text{cylindrical, } r, \theta)$$

↑ This is a new operator. It is "made-up" here for this, so we don't have to write out more stuff!

See Table b-12 in § 6.8.

\* We "only" need to solve

$$\nabla^4 \psi = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad E^4 \psi = 0$$

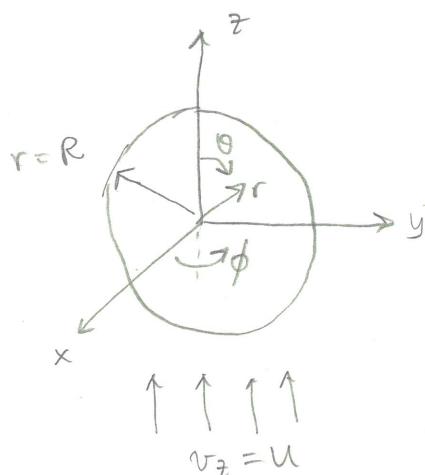
in order to find  $\psi$ ! we got rid of continuity!

This is linear! (4th order PDE).

## II. Example: Flow around a sphere. (Example 8.4-2)

\* This is an important example. Colloids are often approximated as spheres. This solution forms the basis for colloidal hydrodynamics!

Start problem. Finish for HW



$$\text{Stokes Eq: } E^4 \psi = 0$$

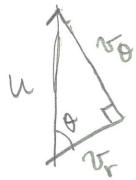
$$E^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right)$$

$$v_r = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \quad \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{S} \text{pherical} \\ \text{coordinates} \end{array}$$

$$v_\theta = -\frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \quad \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{O} \phi-\text{symmetric} \\ \Rightarrow \psi(r, \theta) \end{array}$$

\* what are the boundary conditions?

$$v_r(R, \theta) = 0, \quad v_\theta(R, \theta) = 0 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{no penetration/} \\ \text{no slip on surface} \end{array}$$



$$v_r(\infty, \theta) \rightarrow u \cos \theta$$

$$v_\theta(\infty, \theta) \rightarrow -u \sin \theta$$

• Re-write using definition of stream function

$$v_r(R, \theta) = \boxed{0 = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta}(R, \theta)}$$

$$v_\theta(R, \theta) = \boxed{0 = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r}(R, \theta)}$$

$$v_r(\infty, \theta) = u \cos \theta = \frac{1}{r^2} \sin \theta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta}(\infty, \theta)$$

Show  
this

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta}(\infty, \theta) = r^2 u \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$v_\theta(\infty, \theta) = -u \sin \theta = \frac{1}{r^2} \sin \theta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r}(\infty, \theta)$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r}(\infty, \theta) = -r u \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Integrate: } \boxed{\Psi(\infty, \theta) = \frac{r^2 u \sin^2 \theta}{2}} + C$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \sin^2 \theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} r^2 = 2r$$

set to 0,  
b/c  $\Psi$  is  
defined to w/in  
arbitrary  
constant.

\* Now, we have BC's and we can proceed.

→ Based on the BC at infinity and our intuition from PDEs we guess a product solution:

\* Now, we proceed to solve via an FFT-like method.

$$c_n(r) = \int_a^b \psi(r, \theta) D_n(\theta) w(\theta) d\theta$$

$$\psi(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n(r) D_n(\theta)$$

↗ eigen functions (use  $D_n$  instead  
of  $\psi_n$  to  
avoid confusion.)

- what are the eigenfunctions of  $E^4$ ?

Based on §5.8, we expect them to be in the  $\theta$  direction ( $r$  is not homogeneous). However, we don't know what they are!

- our boundary condition at  $r \rightarrow \infty$  is of the form  $f(r) \sin^2 \theta$ . lets guess that  $D_n(\theta) = \sin^2 \theta$ .

- This is only one eigenfunction. However, if our solution is "along" an eigenfunction, we only need one.

- vector-function analogy, if our answer is along  $\hat{e}_x$ , then we only need one component, even in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- This is different than ch.5 because we have a special B.C. It is not constant and it is an eigenfunction.

\* Substitute  $\psi(r, \theta) = f(r) \sin^2 \theta$  into  $E^4 \psi = 0$ .

This is a proof that  $\sin^2 \theta$  is an eigenfunction:

Don't do in class.  
Too long

$$E^4 \psi = 0 = E^2(E^2 \psi) = 0$$

$$= E^2 \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (f \sin^2 \theta) + \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (f \sin^2 \theta) \right) \right]$$

$$= E^2 \left[ \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{f \sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right) \right]$$

$$= E^2 \left[ \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f \sin \theta}{r^2} \sin \theta \right]$$

$$= E^2 \left[ \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \sin^2 \theta \right]$$

$$= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \left[ \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \sin^2 \theta \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \sin^2 \theta \right) \right)$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin^2 \theta) \right)$$

$$= \frac{2 f \sin \theta}{r^4} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin^2 \theta) \right)$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \right)$$

$$+ \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \right) \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin^2 \theta) \right)}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right)}_{-2 \sin \theta}$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \right)$$

$$- 2 \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2 f}{r^2} \right)$$

$$= \sin^2 \theta \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2}{r^2} \right) \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2}{r^2} \right) f = 0$$

Show  
this

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2}{r^2} \right)^2 f = 0}$$

- \* The above got rid of  $\theta$ -dependence, proving  $\sin^2 \theta$  is an eigenfunction.
- \* Now we need to solve the ODE for  $f$ . (The "cn(r)" in the FFT.)
- Expand the differential equation :

skip  
this

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2f}{r^2} \right) - \frac{2}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{4f}{r^4} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} - \frac{2}{\partial r^2} \left( \frac{2f}{r^2} \right) - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} + \frac{4f}{r^4} = 0$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} + \frac{-2}{r^3} f \right)}$

$$2 \left[ \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} - \frac{2}{r^3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} - \frac{2}{r^3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} + \frac{6}{r^4} f \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{4}{r^3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} + \frac{4}{r^3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} - \frac{12}{r^4} f - \frac{2}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{4f}{r^4} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} - \frac{4}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + \frac{8}{r^3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} - \frac{8}{r^4} f = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{r^4 \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial r^4} - 4r^2 \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial r^2} + 8r \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} - 8f = 0}$$

Say  
this

- \* This is an equidimensional equation. See § B.5.  
Homogeneous solutions are of the form  $Cr^m$ .

\* Substitute  $Cr^m$  into above equation  
will give a characteristic equation, roots  
give the solution.

Stop  
here

Do rest  
for HW

$$r^4 \cdot \frac{d^4}{dr^4}(r^m) - 4r^2 \frac{d^2}{dr^2}(r^m) + 8r \frac{d}{dr}(r^m) - 8r^m = 0$$

$$r^4 \cdot m(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)r^{m-4} - 4r^2 m(m-1)r^{m-2} \\ + 8rmr^{m-1} - 8r^m = 0$$

$$m(m-1)(m-2)(m-3)r^m - 4m(m-1)r^m + 8mr^m - 8r^m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-1)(m-2)(m-3) - 4m(m-1) + 8(m-1) = 0$$

roots?  $(m-1)$  is a factor  $\Rightarrow \boxed{m=1}$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-2)(m-3) - \underbrace{4m}_{-4(m-2)} + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-2)(m-3) - 4(m-2) = 0$$

$m-2$  is a factor  $\Rightarrow \boxed{m=2}$

$$\Rightarrow m(m-3) - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 3m - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (m+1)(m-4) = 0$$

$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} m=4 \\ m=-1 \end{array}}$

\* Solutions are of the form:

$$f(r) = Ar^4 + Br^2 + Cr + Dr^{-1}$$

\* Now, apply the boundary conditions to solve  
for A, B, C, & D.

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta}(R, \theta) = 0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (f(R) \sin^2 \theta) = f(R) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\sin^2 \theta) = 0$$

$$\boxed{f(R) = 0}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r}(R, \theta) = 0 = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (f(r) \sin^2 \theta) \right|_{r=R} = \sin^2 \theta \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial r}(r) \right|_{r=R} = 0$$

$$\boxed{\left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial r}(r) \right|_{r=R} = 0}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Psi(r, \theta) = \frac{r^2 U \sin^2 \theta}{2} = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f(r) \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\boxed{\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f(r, \theta) = Ur^2/2}$$

\* Apply BC's to find A, B, C, D:

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f(r) = Ar^4 = \frac{Ur^2}{2} \Rightarrow \boxed{A=0} \text{ or else } r^4 \text{ would dominate.}$$

$$= Br^2 = \frac{Ur^2}{2} \Rightarrow \boxed{B=U/2}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f(R) = AR^4 + BR^2 + CR + D/R = 0 \\ \frac{df}{dr}(R) = 4AR^3 + 2BR + C - D/R^2 = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\rightarrow f(R) = \frac{U}{2}R^2 + CR + \frac{D}{R} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{df}{dr}(R) = UR + C - D/R^2 = 0 \quad (2) \Rightarrow UR^2 + CR - D/R$$

mult (2) by R and subtract / add from (1):

$$-\frac{U}{2}R^2 + \frac{2D}{R} = 0 \quad D = \frac{U}{4}UR^3$$

$$\frac{3}{2}UR^2 + 2CR = 0 \quad C = -\frac{3}{4}UR$$

$$f(r) = \frac{U}{2}r^2 - \frac{3}{4}URr + \frac{U}{4}UR^3/r$$

$$= UR^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{r^2}{R^2} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{r}{R} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{R}{r} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\Psi(r, \theta) = UR^2 \sin^2 \theta \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r}{R} \right)^2 - \frac{3}{4} \left( \frac{r}{R} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{R}{r} \right) \right]}$$

\* Now, get velocity components:

$$v_r = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \theta} = \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cdot UR^2}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{r^2}{R^2} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{r}{R} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{R}{r} \right]$$

$$\boxed{v_r = U \cos \theta \left[ 1 - \frac{3}{2} \frac{R}{r} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{R^3}{r^3} \right]}$$

$$v_\theta = \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} = \frac{-UR^2 \sin^2 \theta}{r \sin \theta} \left[ \frac{r}{R^2} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{R} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{R}{r^2} \right]$$

$$V_\theta = -U \sin \theta \left[ 1 - \frac{3}{4} \frac{R}{r} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{R^3}{r^3} \right]$$

\*  $\Phi(r, \theta)$  can be obtained from integrating Stokes Equation

$$\Phi(r, \theta) = -\frac{3\mu U}{2R} \left( \frac{R}{r} \right)^2 \cos \theta$$

Drag is famous!

$$F_D = 6\pi \mu U R$$

### III. Example: The Stokeslet.

\* we desire the solution to :

$$\Omega = -\nabla \Phi + \mu \nabla^2 \phi + E$$

where  $E = S(r) \leftarrow$  constant in space.

\* One solution? velocity disturbance:

$$\Omega - \Omega_\infty = \begin{cases} v_r = U \cos \theta \left[ -\frac{3}{2} \frac{P}{r} + \frac{Y_2}{r^3} R^3 \right] \\ v_\theta = -U \sin \theta \left[ -\frac{3}{4} \frac{P}{r} - \frac{Y_4}{r^3} R^3 \right] \end{cases}$$

• from drag, let  $F_z = -F_D$  : force from sphere on fluid

$$R = \frac{-F_z}{6\pi \mu U}$$

• Consider  $R \rightarrow 0$  (or far away from  $R$ ) , we look like a point force.

$$R^3 \ll R \rightarrow \text{neglect } R^3$$

$$v_r = U \cos \theta \left( +\frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{F_z}{6\pi \mu U r} \right) = \frac{F_z}{4\pi \mu r} \cos \theta$$

$$v_\theta = -U \sin \theta \left( +\frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{F_z}{6\pi \mu U r} \right) = \frac{-F_z}{8\pi \mu r} \sin \theta$$

$$\underline{v}(r, \theta) = \frac{F_2}{8\pi\mu r} (2\cos\theta \underline{\epsilon}_r - \sin\theta \underline{\epsilon}_\theta)$$

\* we can solve this more generally\* with a Fourier Transform (not finite, regular one).

\* for all directions

$$\text{let } \hat{f}(\underline{k}) = \mathcal{F}[f(r)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(r) e^{-i\underline{k} \cdot \underline{r}} dr \quad \text{F.T.}$$

$$f(r) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}[\hat{f}(\underline{k})] = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(\underline{k}) e^{+i\underline{k} \cdot \underline{r}} dr \quad \text{I.F.T.}$$

- Note:  $\mathcal{F}[\nabla^2 f] = -k^2 \hat{f}$

$$\mathcal{F}[\nabla f] = ik \hat{f}$$

↑ imaginary number :  $i = \sqrt{-1}$

$$\mathcal{F}[\delta(r)] = 1$$

\* Now, solve with Fourier Transform

- Take F.T. of Stokes

$$\mathcal{F}[\underline{\theta}] = \mathcal{F}[-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{v} + \delta \underline{f}]$$

$$\underline{\theta} = -ik \hat{P} - \mu k^2 \hat{\underline{v}} + \hat{\underline{f}}$$

- Take divergence of Stokes.

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{\theta} = \nabla \cdot [-\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \underline{v} + \delta \underline{f}]$$

$$= -\nabla^2 p + \mu \nabla^2 (\nabla \cdot \underline{v}) + \nabla \cdot \delta \underline{f}$$

$$\nabla^2 p = \nabla \cdot (\delta \underline{f})$$

0  
continuity

- Take F.T. of Pressure-Poisson Eq:

$$\mathcal{F}[\nabla^2 \hat{P}] = \mathcal{F}[\nabla \cdot (\underline{\delta} \underline{f})]$$

$$-k^2 \hat{P} = ik \cdot \underline{f}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{P} = -\frac{ik \cdot \underline{f}}{k^2}}$$

- Plug into F.T. of Stokes.

$$\underline{\theta} = -\frac{ik}{k^2} (-ik \cdot \underline{f}) - \mu k^2 \hat{\underline{v}} + \underline{f}$$

$$\mu k^2 \hat{\underline{v}} = -\frac{kk \cdot \underline{f}}{k^2} + \underline{f}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{\underline{v}} = \frac{1}{\mu k^2} \left( -\frac{kk}{k^2} + \underline{\delta} \right) \cdot \underline{f}}$$

3 terms:  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{ik}{k^2}\right]$   
 $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{k^2}\right]$   
 $\mathcal{F}^{-1}\left[\frac{kk}{k^2}\right]$

- Take the inverse F.T. (this is laborious)

$$\boxed{\underline{P}(r) = \frac{\underline{r} \cdot \underline{f}}{4\pi r^3}}$$

$r = [x, y, z]^\top$  in Cartesian  
 $r = |\underline{r}|$

$$\boxed{\underline{v}(r) = \frac{1}{8\pi\mu r} \left( \frac{\underline{r} \cdot \underline{f}}{r^2} + \underline{\delta} \right) \cdot \underline{f}}$$

See Notes  
by Lisicki

- Substitute  $\underline{f} = [0, 0, f_z]$  and spherical coordinates for  $\underline{r}$ .  
 (compare to earlier)

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$$

$$z = r \cos \theta$$

$$\underline{\delta} \cdot \underline{f} = \underline{f} = f_z \underline{e}_z$$

$$\underline{r} \cdot \underline{f} = r \cos \theta f_z$$

$$\underline{r} \cdot \underline{f} = \underline{r} (\underline{r} \cdot \underline{f}) = \underline{r} (r \cos \theta f_z) = r^2 \cos \theta f_z \underline{e}_r$$

$\rightarrow \underline{r} = r \underline{e}_r$

So,

$$\boxed{\underline{P}(r) = \frac{f_z \cos \theta}{4\pi r^2}}$$

$$\underline{v}(r) = \frac{1}{8\pi \mu r} \left( \frac{r^2 \cos \theta f_z}{r^2} \underline{e}_r + f_z \underline{e}_z \right)$$

$$\underline{e}_z = \cos \theta \underline{e}_r - \sin \theta \underline{e}_\theta$$

$$\underline{v}(r) = \frac{1}{8\pi \mu r} (\cos \theta f_z \underline{e}_r + f_z \cos \theta \underline{e}_r - f_z \sin \theta \underline{e}_\theta)$$

$$\boxed{\underline{v}(r) = \frac{f_z}{8\pi \mu r} (2 \cos \theta \underline{e}_r - \sin \theta \underline{e}_\theta)}$$

Same as on page 10!

### \* Comments:

- The solution with a delta function is a special solution called a "Green's function." We can add up many of them to get a more complex solution. Superposition! (fundamental solution)
- The Stokeslet is the "far-field" solution for a sphere. Accurate far away from  $r=R$ .
- We can write  $\underline{v} = \underline{\Lambda} \cdot \underline{f}$

$\underline{\Lambda} = \frac{1}{8\pi \mu r} \left[ \frac{\underline{r}\underline{r}}{r^2} + \underline{\underline{g}} \right]$  is called the Oseen Tensor.