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(Sediment Transport)  
.03 Review of Fluid Mechanics**





## Appendix. Cartesian tensors

- Kronecker Delta and Alternating Tensor

- Kronecker delta is defined as

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- Which is written in the matrix form as

$$\delta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The most common use (think summation convention)

$$\delta_{ij}u_j = \delta_{i1}u_1 + \delta_{i2}u_2 + \delta_{i3}u_3$$

- Simply we can write

$$\delta_{ij}u_j = u_i$$



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- So we call kroneker tensor as “isotropic tensors” of the second order tensors.
- Isotropic tensor for the third order (Alternating tensor)

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } ijk = 123, 231, \text{ or } 312 \text{ (cyclic order)} \\ 0 & \text{if any two indices are equal} \\ -1 & \text{if } ijk = 321, 213, \text{ or } 132 \text{ (anticyclic order)} \end{cases}$$

- Therefore

$$\epsilon_{ijk} = \epsilon_{jki} = \epsilon_{kij} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_{ijk} = -\epsilon_{ikj}$$

- The epsilon delta relation.

$$\epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{klm} = \delta_{il} \delta_{jm} - \delta_{im} \delta_{jl}$$



## Appendix. Cartesian tensors

- Dot Products

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + u_3 v_3 = u_i v_i$$

- Cross product

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u} = (u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2) \mathbf{a}^1 + (u_3 v_1 - u_1 v_3) \mathbf{a}^2 + (u_1 v_2 - u_2 v_1) \mathbf{a}^3$$

- Symbolic determinant

$$\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{u} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{a}^1 & \mathbf{a}^2 & \mathbf{a}^3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \\ v_1 & v_2 & v_3 \end{vmatrix}$$

- The k-component of  $\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v}$  can be written as

$$(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})_k = \epsilon_{ijk} u_i v_j = \epsilon_{kij} u_i v_j$$

- Example,  $i=1$

$$(\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{v})_1 = \epsilon_{ij1} u_i v_j = \epsilon_{231} u_2 v_3 + \epsilon_{321} u_3 v_2 = u_2 v_3 - u_3 v_2$$





# 1. Definitions

- Coordinate system

- Spatial position vector

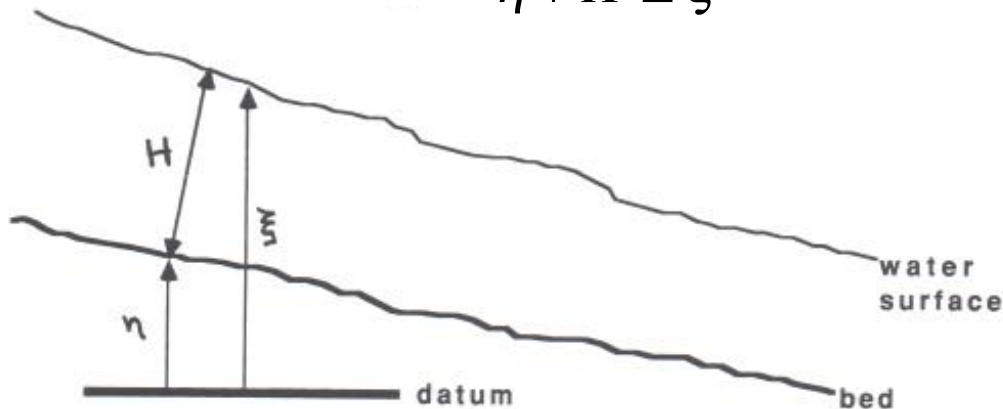
$$x_i = (x_1, x_2, x_3) = (s, n, z)$$

- Instantaneous flow velocity vector is give

$$u_i = (u_1, u_2, u_3) = (u, v, w)$$

- Vertical bed and water surface elevation above some datum are given as  $\eta$  and  $\xi$ . Channel depth measured normal to the bed is given as  $H$ . If  $z$  is nearly vertical

$$\eta + H \cong \xi$$





## 2. Navier-stokes equations

- For flow in a river channel with a dilute concentration of sediment, these relations take the form

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x_i} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u_i}{\partial x_j \partial x_j} + g_i$$

- Continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_i} = \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x_1} + \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial u_3}{\partial x_3} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}$$

- Gravitational acceleration

$$g_i = (g_1, g_2, g_3)$$

- Denotes the component of the vector of gravitational acceleration in the x, y, and z directions.



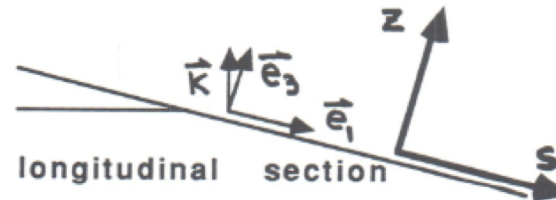
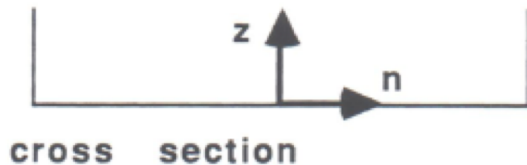
## 2. Navier-stokes equations

- Let's  $\mathbf{e}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{e}_3$  denote unit vectors in the  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $x_3$  directions, and let  $\mathbf{k}$  denote a unit vector in the upward vertical direction.

$$g_i = -g\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$$

- For example, consider a rectangular channel with a transversely horizontal bed that is tilted a small angle  $\alpha$  in the down stream direction. The bed slope  $s$  is given by

$$S = \tan \alpha = -\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial x}$$





## 2. Navier-stokes equations

- Thus  $\vec{e}_1 \cdot \vec{\mathbf{k}} = \cos(90 + \alpha) = -\sin \alpha \cong -S$ ,  
 $\vec{e}_2 \cdot \vec{\mathbf{k}} = 0$ ,  $\vec{e}_3 \cdot \vec{\mathbf{k}} = \cos \alpha \cong 1$
- An the gravitational vector can approximated as  

$$g_i = g(S, 0, -1)$$
- $gS$  implies the river flow and represents the downstream force of gravity acting on the flow.



### 3. Stress tensor

- The Navier-Stokes equations can also be written in the following form:

$$\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_i \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial \tau_{ij}}{\partial x_j} + g_i$$

- Newtonian stress tensor:

$$\tau_{ij} = -p\delta_{ij} + \rho\nu \left( \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

$\tau_{11}$ ,  $\tau_{22}$  and  $\tau_{33}$  denote normal stresses;  
the other denote shear stresses.



## 4. Reynolds Equations

- The effect of turbulence is dominant as regards to river behavior.
- The instantaneous flow field cannot be predicted nor would one be able to process the massive amount of random data were the prediction possible.
- An appropriate technique is to average the Navier-Stokes equations.
- The convective term in N-S equations

$$u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial u_i u_j}{\partial x_j}$$



## 4. Reynolds Equations

- When the overbar denotes averaging (ensemble) and prime means the fluctuations (or deviation from the mean)

$$u_i = \bar{u}_i + u_i'$$

- When apply this Reynolds decomposition, then

$$\overline{u_i u_j} = \overline{u_i} \overline{u_j} + \overline{u_i' u_j'}$$

- Nonlinearity generates a residual term that in fact becomes dominant in the case of turbulence.
- Question: What is the physical meaning of the following term?

$$\rho \overline{u_i' u_j'}$$

- Reynolds stress (tensor):  $-\rho \overline{u_i' u_j'}$



## 4. Reynolds Equations

- The entire N-S equations can be averaged to yield the Reynolds equations.

$$\frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial t} + \bar{u}_j \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left( \bar{\tau}_{ij} - \rho \overline{u_i' u_j'} \right) + g_i$$

- Here

$$\bar{\tau}_{ij} = -\bar{p} \delta_{ij} + \rho \nu \left( \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial \bar{u}_j}{\partial x_i} \right)$$

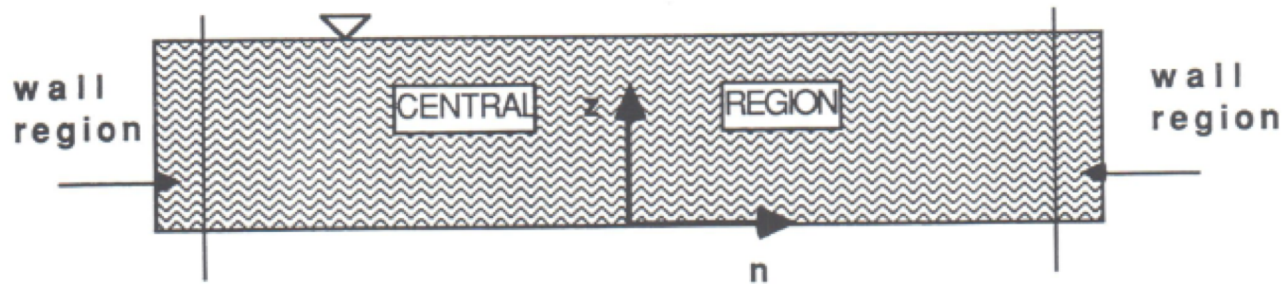
$$T_{ij} = \bar{\tau}_{ij} - \rho \overline{u_i' u_j'}$$





## 5. Boundary shear stress:

(normal flow in a wide, rectangular open channel)



- In a wide rectangular flumes.
- The bed is taken to be horizontal in the transverse direction but tilted with slope  $S$  in the down stream direction.
- Wall effect zone is excluded. Then flow flow is taken to be steady in time and uniform in the  $x_1(s)$  and  $x_2(n)$  directions.

$$\bar{u}_i = (\bar{u}_1(x_3), 0, 0) = (u(z), 0, 0)$$



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- The non-zero components of the mean stress tensor

$$T_{13} = \rho v \frac{d\bar{u}_1}{dx_3} - \overline{\rho u_1' u_3'} = \rho v \frac{d\bar{u}}{dz} - \overline{\rho u' w'} \equiv \tau$$

$$T_{33} = -\bar{p} - \overline{\rho u_3' u_3'} = -\bar{p} - \overline{\rho w'^2} \equiv -P$$

- The Reynolds equations reduce to

$$\begin{array}{l|l} (i=1) & 0 = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{d\tau}{dz} + gS & \tau = \tau_b \left(1 - \frac{z}{H}\right) \\ (i=3) & 0 = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dP}{dz} - g & P = \rho g H \left(1 - \frac{z}{H}\right) \end{array}$$

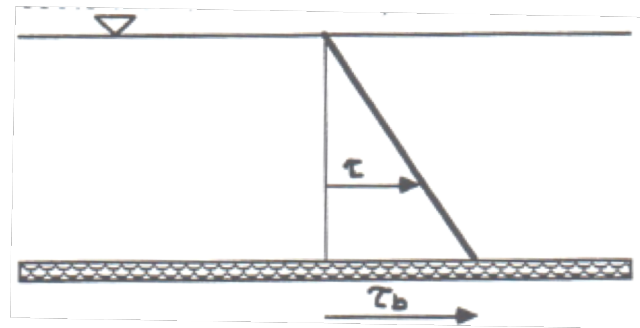
- Integrating at the water surface ( $z=H$ ), then

where  $\tau_b = \rho g H S$  (bottom shear stress)



## 5. Boundary shear stress:

(normal flow in a wide, rectangular open channel)



$$\tau = \tau_b \left( 1 - \frac{z}{H} \right)$$

$$P = \rho g H \left( 1 - \frac{z}{H} \right)$$

- The effective mean pressure obeys the hydrostatic law, and the mean shear stress varies linearly, as shown above.
- The bottom shear stress drives sediment transport in most cases.

$$\tau_b = \rho g H S$$



## 6. One-dimensional model of varying boundary shear stress

: Gradually varied flow in a wide rectangular channel

- Assumptions:
  - Vary slowly in  $x$  and  $t$
  - Wide and rectangular
- One dimensional St. Venant Shallow Water equation
  - If a typical scale of flow variation in the  $x$  direction is much larger than the depth  $H$ , and the scale of time variation is likewise much larger than  $H/u$ , the Reynolds equations can be approximated by the turbulent boundary layer equations.

- Logarithmic law for turbulent flow,

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial U}{\partial s} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\eta + H) - \frac{1}{\rho} \tau_b H^{-1}$$



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- Continuity equations

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial UH}{\partial s} = 0$$

$$U = \frac{1}{H} \int_0^H \bar{u} dz$$

- With assumptions

$$g \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\eta + H) = -\frac{1}{\rho} \tau_b H^{-1}$$

$$\tau_b = -\rho g H S - \rho g H \frac{\partial H}{\partial s}$$



## 6. One-dimensional model of varying boundary shear stress

: Gradually varied flow in a wide rectangular channel

- Velocity decrease, shear decreases, and  $H$  increases ( $dH/ds > 0$ ).
- Decreasing bottom shear stress implies declining sediment transport capacity in the downstream direction; this is the mechanism that drives sedimentation in dams.



## 6. Two dimensional St. Venant Equations

- Depth integrated transverse velocity  $V$  is defined as follows:

$$V = \frac{1}{H} \int_0^H \bar{v} dz$$

- An integration of the appropriate form of the Reynolds equations yields

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial U}{\partial s} + V \frac{\partial V}{\partial n} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial s} (\eta + H) - \frac{\tau_{bs}}{\rho H}$$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + U \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} + V \frac{\partial V}{\partial n} = -g \frac{\partial}{\partial n} (\eta + H) - \frac{\tau_{bn}}{\rho H}$$

- Continuity  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial UH}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial VH}{\partial n} = 0$