

## Chapter 9 Wall Turbulence. Boundary-Layer Flows

### 9.1 Introduction

- Turbulence occurs most commonly in shear flows.
  - Shear flow: spatial variation of the mean velocity
    - 1) wall turbulence: along solid surface → no-slip condition at surface
    - 2) free turbulence: at the interface between fluid zones having different velocities, and at boundaries of a jet → jet, wakes
  - Turbulent motion in shear flows
    - self-sustaining
    - Turbulence arises as a consequence of the shear.
    - Shear persists as a consequence of the turbulent fluctuations.
- Turbulence can neither arise nor persist without shear.

### 9.2 Structure of a Turbulent Boundary Layer

#### 9.2.1 Boundary layer flows

(i) Smooth boundary

Consider a fluid stream flowing past a smooth boundary.

→ A boundary-layer zone of viscous influence is developed near the boundary.

1)  $Re < Re_{crit}$

→ The boundary-layer is initially laminar.

→  $u = u(y)$

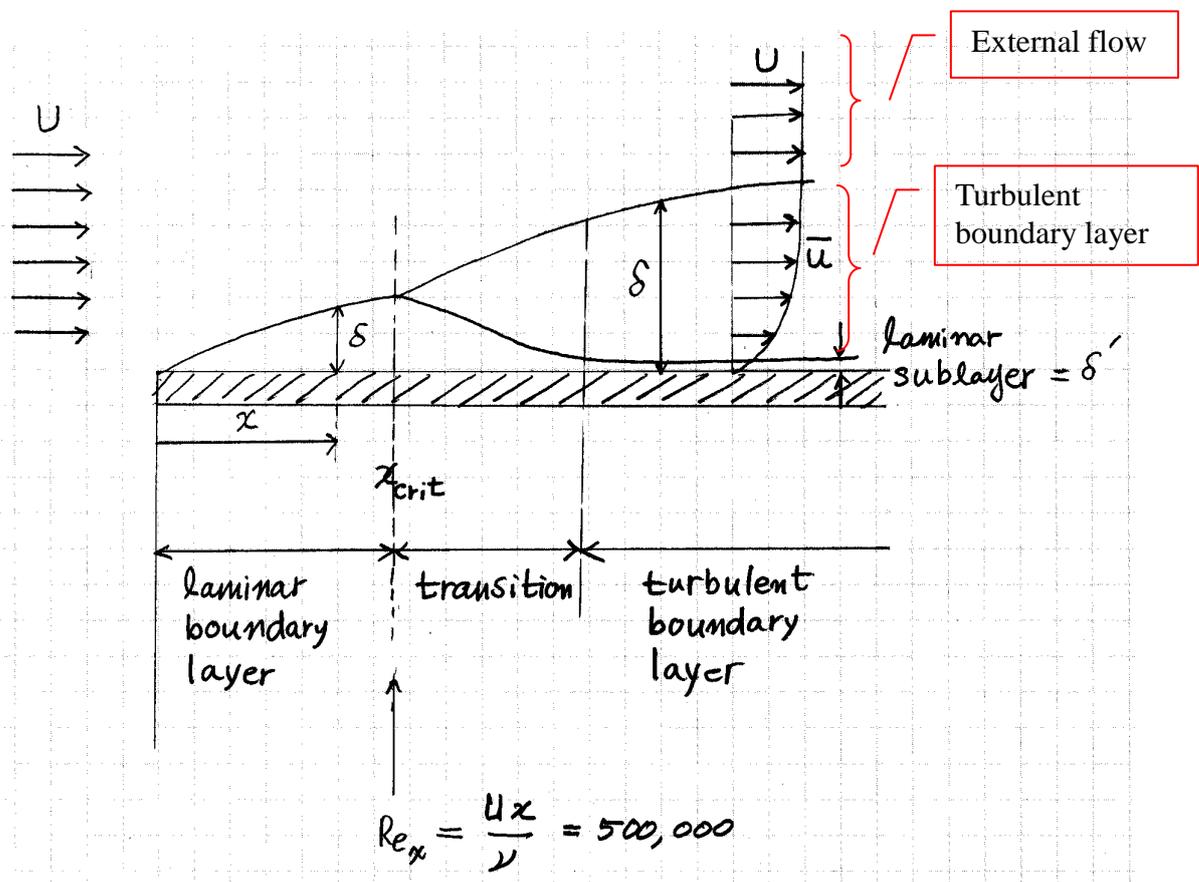
2)  $Re > Re_{crit}$

→ The boundary-layer is turbulent.

→  $\bar{u} = \bar{u}(y)$

→ Turbulence reaches out into the free stream to entrain and mix more fluid.

→ thicker boundary layer:  $\delta_{turb} \approx 4 \delta_{lam}$

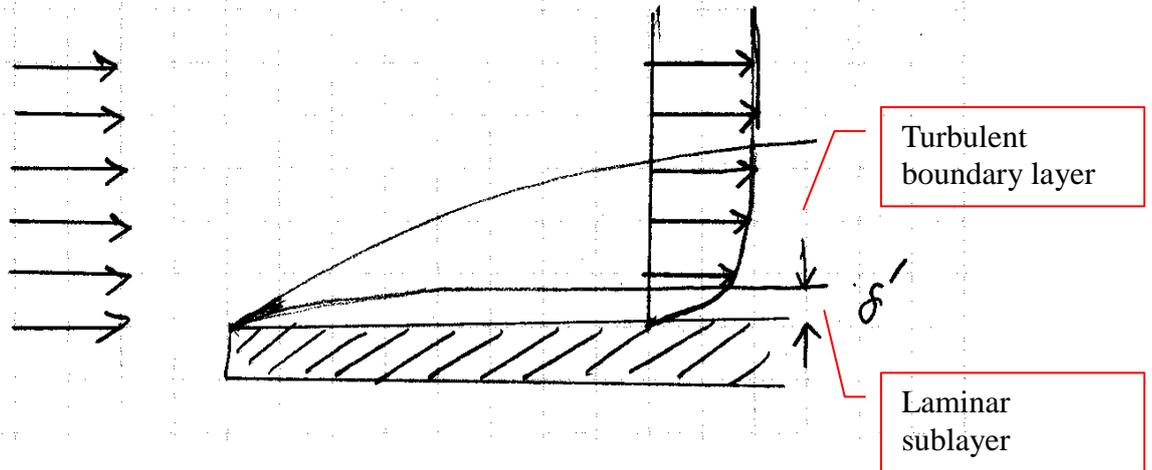


$x < x_{crit}$ , total friction = laminar

$x > x_{crit}$ , total friction = laminar + turbulent

(ii) Rough boundary

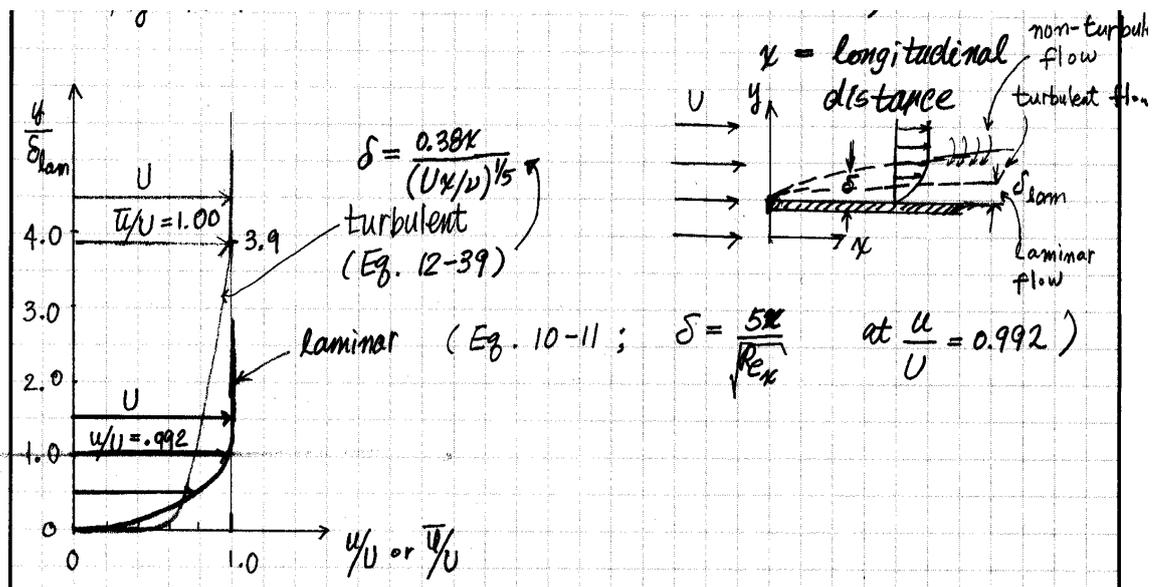
→ Turbulent boundary layer is established near the leading edge of the boundary without a preceding stretch of laminar flow.



9.2.2 Comparison of laminar and turbulent boundary-layer profiles

For the flows of the same Reynolds number ( $Re_x = 500,000$ )

$$Re_x = \frac{Ux\rho}{\mu}$$



1) Boundary layer thickness

$$\frac{\delta_{turb}}{\delta_{lam}} = 3.9$$

2) Mass displacement thickness,  $\delta^*$

Eq. (8.9): 
$$\delta^* = \int_0^h \left(1 - \frac{u}{U}\right) dy$$

$$\frac{\delta_{turb}^*}{\delta_{lam}^*} = 1.41$$

3) Momentum thickness,  $\theta$

Eq. (8.10): 
$$\theta = \int_0^h \frac{u}{U} \left(1 - \frac{u}{U}\right) dy$$

$$\frac{\theta_{turb}}{\theta_{lam}} = 2.84$$

→ Because of the higher flux of mass and momentum through the zone nearest the wall

for turbulent flow, increases of  $\delta^*$  and  $\theta$  rate are not as large as  $\delta$ .

### 9.2.3 Intermittent nature of the turbulent layer

- Outside a boundary layer

- free-stream shearless flow ( $U$ ) → potential flow (inviscid)

- slightly turbulent flow

- considered to be non-turbulent flow relative to higher turbulence inside a turbulent boundary layer

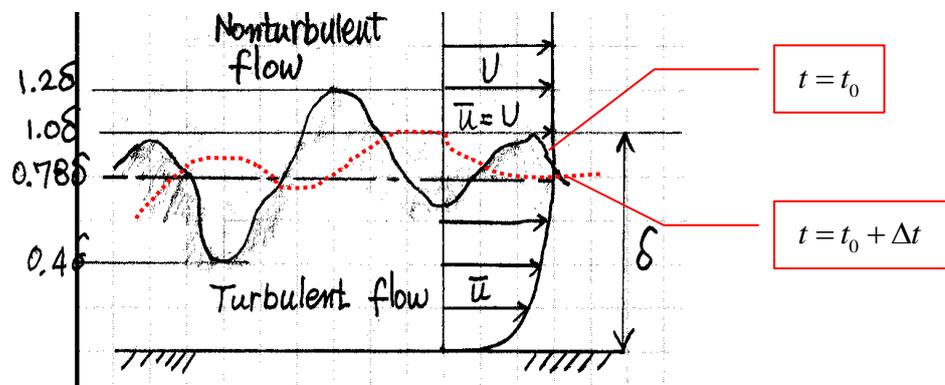
- Interior of the turbulent boundary layer ( $\delta$ )
  - ~ consist of regions of different types of flow (laminar, buffer, turbulent)
  - ~ Instantaneous border between turbulent and non-turbulent fluid is irregular and changing.
  - ~ Border consists of fingers of turbulence extending into the non-turbulent fluid and fingers of non-turbulent fluid extending deep into the turbulent region.
  - ~ intermittent nature of the turbulent layer

- Intermittency factor,  $\Omega$

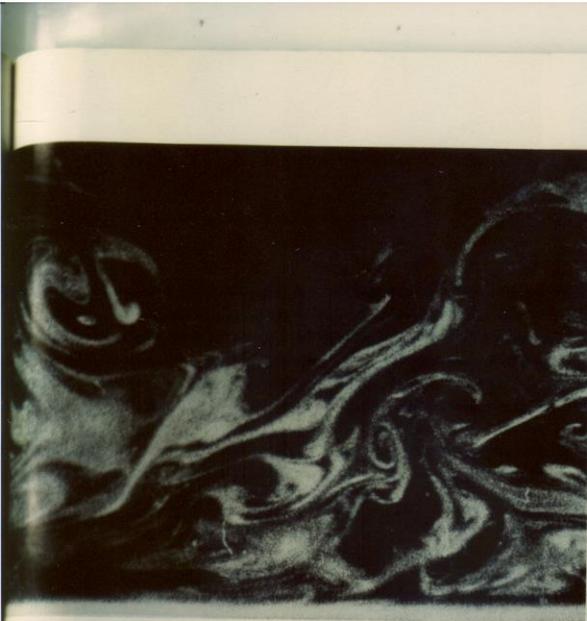
$\Omega$  = fraction of time during which the flow is turbulent

$\Omega = 1.0$ , deep in the boundary layer

= 0, in the free stream



- ① Average position of the turbulent-nonturbulent interface =  $0.78 \delta$
- ② Maximum stretch of interface =  $1.2 \delta$
- ③ Minimum stretch of interface =  $0.4 \delta$



162. "Typical eddy" in a turbulent boundary layer. Oil fog is illuminated by a sheet of laser light to show the lower two-thirds of a turbulent boundary layer in side view. The vortex-ring structure just below and to the right of center, which resembles a sliced mushroom leaning left, is an example of what Falcó has called a "typical eddy." It scales on wall variables (figure 161) rather than on the boundary-layer thickness. Photograph by R. E. Falco



163. Oblique transverse sections of a turbulent boundary layer. The flow is viewed head-on, with smoke illuminated by a sheet of light that is inclined  $45^\circ$  downstream from the wall on the left and  $45^\circ$  upstream on the right.

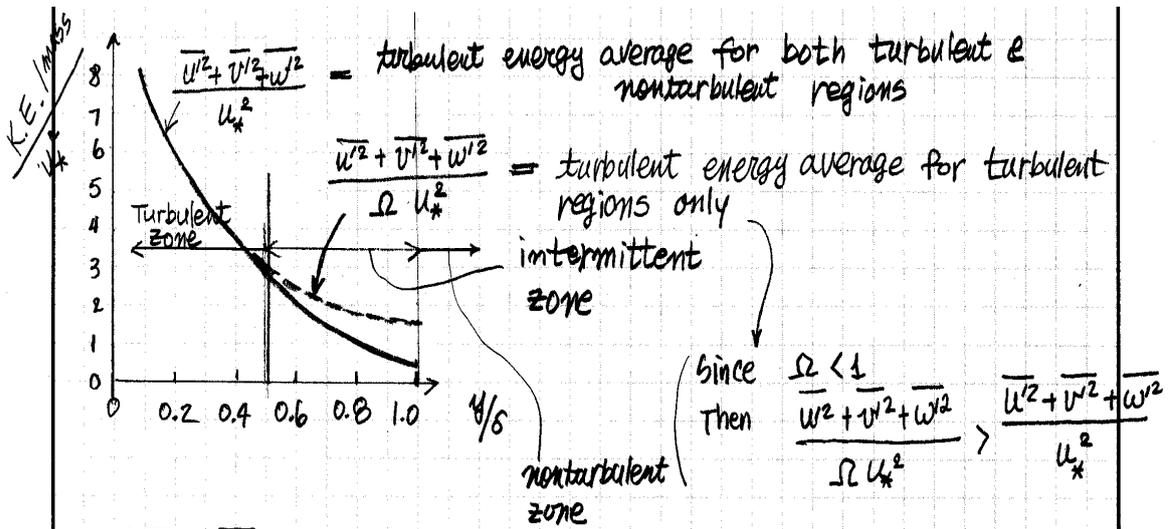
The Reynolds number based on momentum thickness is 600 in the upper pair of photographs and 9400 below. Head & Bandyopadhyay 1981

- Turbulent energy in a boundary layer,  $\delta$

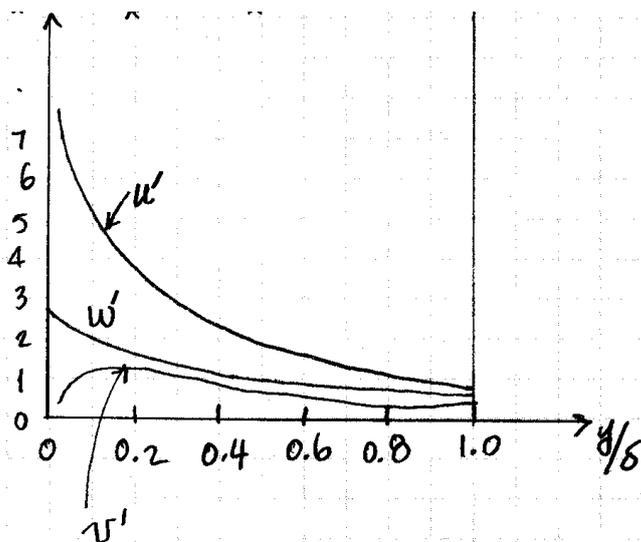
- Dimensionless energy = 
$$\frac{\overline{u'^2} + \overline{v'^2} + \overline{w'^2}}{u_*^2} \quad (9.1)$$

where  $u_* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_0}{\rho}}$  = shear velocity

$$Re_\delta = \frac{U\delta}{\nu} = 73,000 \Leftrightarrow Re_x = 4 \times 10^6 \quad \text{for turbulent layer}$$



$$\frac{\overline{u'^2}}{\Omega u_*^2}, \quad \frac{\overline{v'^2}}{\Omega u_*^2}, \quad \frac{\overline{w'^2}}{\Omega u_*^2},$$



- smooth wall  $\rightarrow v' = 0$  at wall
- rough wall  $\rightarrow v' \neq 0$  at wall
- smooth & rough wall
- $\rightarrow$  turbulent energy  $\neq 0$  at  $y = \delta$

9.3 Mean-flow characteristics for turbulent boundary layer

○ Relations describing the mean-flow characteristics

→ predict velocity magnitude and relation between velocity and wall shear or pressure gradient forces

→ It is desirable that these relations should not require knowledge of the turbulence details.

○ Turbulent boundary layer

→ is composed of zones of different types of flow

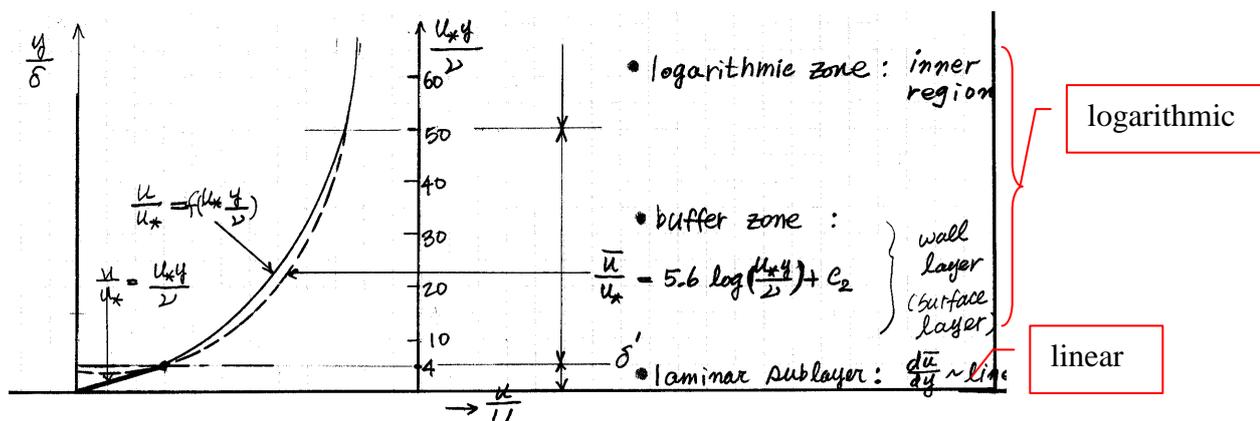
→ Effective viscosity ( $\mu + \eta$ ) varies from wall out through the layer.

→ Theoretical solution is not practical for the general nonuniform boundary layer

→ use semiempirical procedure

9.3.1 Universal velocity and friction laws: smooth walls

(1) Velocity-profile regions



1) laminar sublayer:  $0 < \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \leq 4$

$$\frac{d\bar{u}}{dy} \sim \text{linear}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{u}{u_*} = \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \quad (9.6)$$

~ Mean shear stress is controlled by the dynamic molecular viscosity  $\mu$ .

→ Reynolds stress is negligible. → Mean flow is laminar.

~ energy of velocity fluctuation  $\approx 0$

2) buffer zone:  $4 < \frac{u_* y}{\nu} < 30 \sim 70$

~ Viscous and Reynolds stress are of the same order.

→ Both laminar flow and turbulence flow exist.

~ Sharp peak in the turbulent energy occurs (Fig. 9.4).

3) turbulent zone - inner region:  $\frac{u_* y}{\nu} > 30 \sim 70$ , and  $y < 0.15\delta$

~ fully turbulent flow

~ inner law zone/logarithmic law

~ Intensity of turbulence decreases.

~ velocity equation: logarithmic function

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \frac{u_* y}{\nu} + C_2$$

4) turbulent zone-outer region:  $0.15\delta < y < 0.4\delta$

~ outer law, **velocity-defect law**

5) intermittent zone:  $0.4\delta < y < 1.2\delta$

~ Flow is intermittently turbulent and non-turbulent.

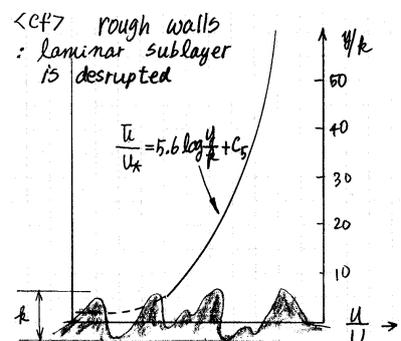
6) non-turbulent zone

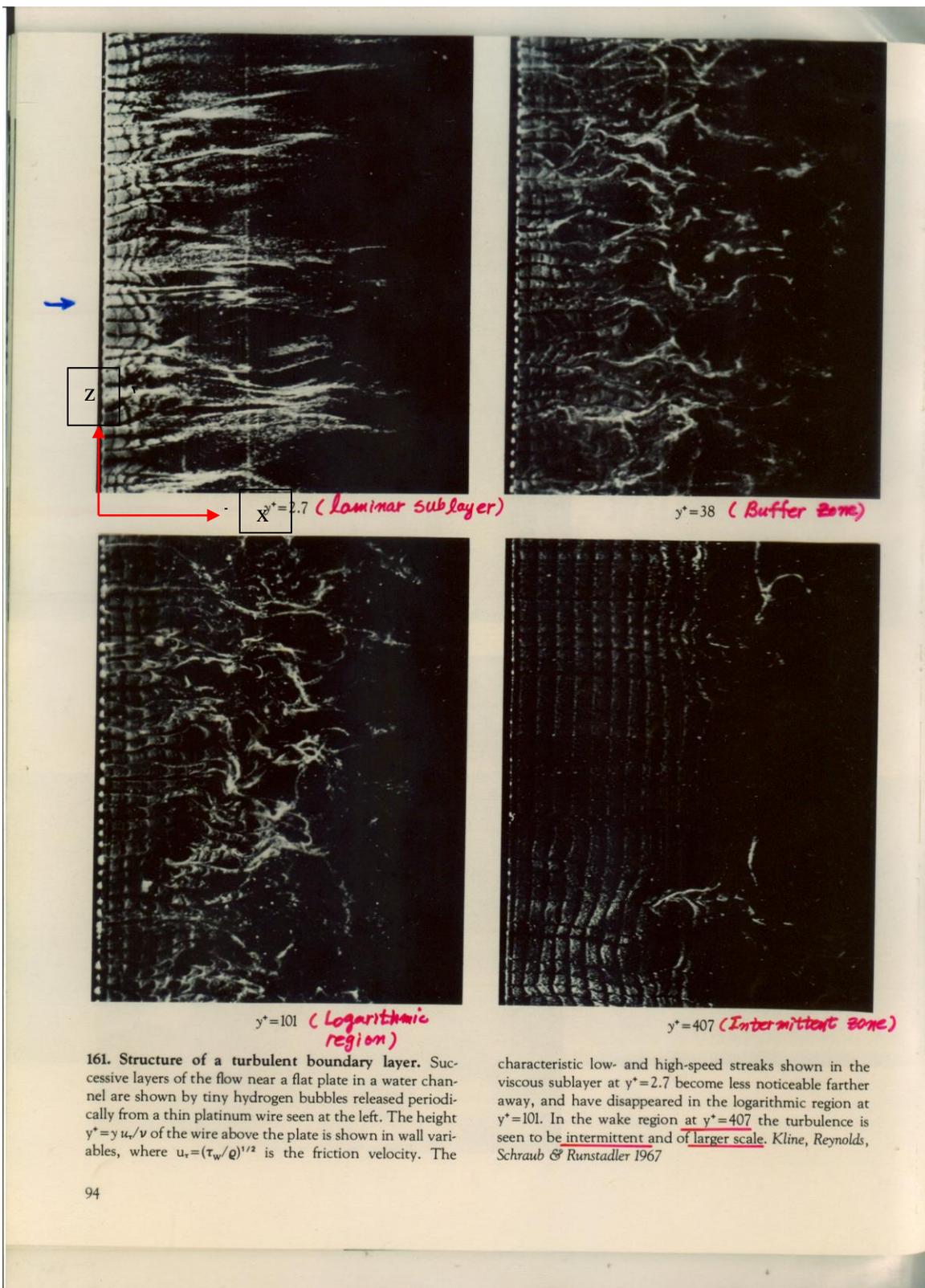
~ external flow zone

~ potential flow

[Cf] Rough wall:

→ Laminar sublayer is destroyed by the roughness elements.





161. Structure of a turbulent boundary layer. Successive layers of the flow near a flat plate in a water channel are shown by tiny hydrogen bubbles released periodically from a thin platinum wire seen at the left. The height  $y^* = y u_* / \nu$  of the wire above the plate is shown in wall variables, where  $u_* = (\tau_w / \rho)^{1/2}$  is the friction velocity. The

characteristic low- and high-speed streaks shown in the viscous sublayer at  $y^* = 2.7$  become less noticeable farther away, and have disappeared in the logarithmic region at  $y^* = 101$ . In the wake region at  $y^* = 407$  the turbulence is seen to be intermittent and of larger scale. Kline, Reynolds, Schraub & Runstadler 1967

(2) Wall law and velocity-defect law

wall law  $\rightarrow$  inner region

velocity-defect law  $\rightarrow$  outer region

1) Law of wall = inner law;  $\frac{u_* y}{\nu} > 30 \sim 70$  ;  $y < 0.15\delta$

$\sim$  close to smooth boundaries (molecular viscosity dominant)

$\sim$  Law of wall assumes that the relation between wall shear stress and velocity  $\bar{u}$  at distance  $y$  from the wall depends only on fluid density and viscosity;

$$f(\bar{u}, u_*, y, \rho, \mu) = 0$$

Dimensional analysis yields

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = f\left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right) \tag{9.3}$$

i) Laminar sublayer

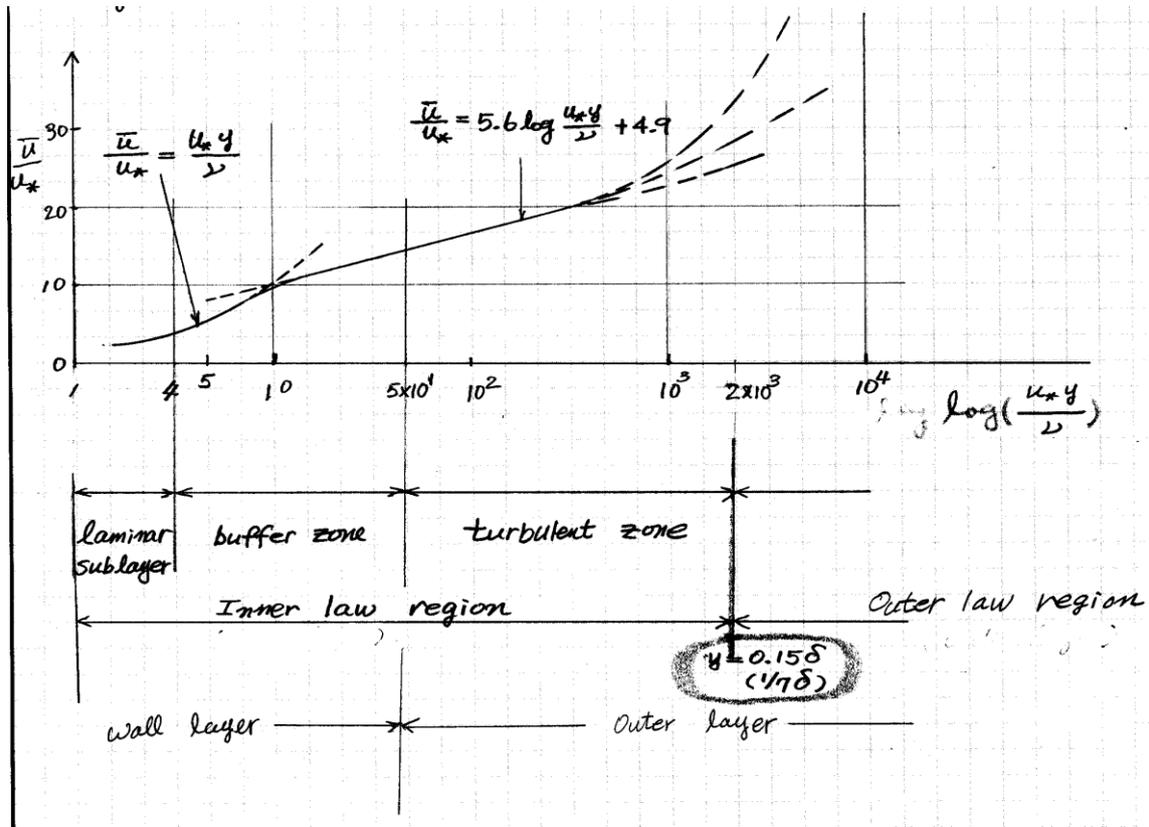
- mean velocity,  $\bar{u} \equiv u$

- velocity gradient,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \sim \text{constant} \equiv \frac{u}{y}$

- shear stress,  $\tau \approx \tau_0 = \mu \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0} \equiv \mu \frac{u}{y}$  (9.5)

- shear velocity,  $u_* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\rho}} \rightarrow u_*^2 = \frac{\tau}{\rho} = \frac{\mu u}{\rho y}$

$$\frac{u}{u_*} = \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \tag{9.6}$$



■ Thickness of laminar sublayer

define thickness of laminar sublayer ( $\delta'$ ) as the value of y which makes

$$\frac{u_* y}{\nu} = 4$$

$$\delta' = \frac{4\nu}{u_*} = \frac{4\nu}{\sqrt{\frac{\tau_0}{\rho}}} = \frac{4\nu}{\left(\frac{c_f \rho U^2 / 2}{\rho}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{4\nu}{U \sqrt{c_f / 2}} \quad (9.7)$$

where  $\tau_0 = c_f \rho \frac{u^2}{2}$ ;  $c_f = \text{local shear stress coeff.}$

ii) Turbulent zone – inner region

Start with Prandtl's mixing length theory

$$\tau_0 \approx \tau = \rho l^2 \left| \frac{d\bar{u}}{dy} \right| \left| \frac{d\bar{u}}{dy} \right| \quad (1)$$

Near wall,  $l = \kappa y$  (2)

$$\therefore \tau = \rho \kappa^2 y^2 \left( \frac{d\bar{u}}{dy} \right)^2 \quad (3)$$

Rearrange (3)

$$\frac{d\bar{u}}{dy} = \frac{1}{\kappa y} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\rho}} = \frac{u_*}{\kappa y}$$

$$d\bar{u} = \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \frac{1}{y} dy \quad (4)$$

Integrate (4)

$$\bar{u} = \frac{u_*}{\kappa} \ln y + C_1$$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln y + C_1 \quad (9.10)$$

Substitute BC [ $\bar{u} = 0$  at  $y = y'$ ] into (9.10)

$$0 = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln y' + C_1 \quad (5)$$

$$\therefore C_1 = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln y'$$

Assume  $y' \propto \frac{\nu(m^2/s)}{u_*(m/s)} \rightarrow y' = C \frac{\nu}{u_*}$

Then (5) becomes

$$C_1 = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln y' = -\frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \left( C \frac{\nu}{u_*} \right) = C_2 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \frac{\nu}{u_*} \quad (9.11)$$

Substitute (9.11) into (9.10)

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln y + C_2 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \frac{\nu}{u_*} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \ln \left( \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \right) + C_2$$

Changing the logarithm to base 10 yields

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log_{10} \left( \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \right) + C_2 \quad (9.12)$$

Empirical values of  $\kappa$  and  $C_2$  for inner region of the boundary layer

$$\kappa = 0.41; \quad C_2 = 4.9$$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \left( \frac{u_* y}{\nu} \right) + 4.9, \quad 30 \sim 70 < \frac{u_* y}{\nu}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{y}{\delta} < 0.15 \quad (9.13)$$

→ Prandtl's velocity distribution law; inner law; wall law

2) Velocity-defect law

~ outer law

~ outer reaches of the turbulent boundary layer for both smooth and rough walls

→ Reynolds stresses dominate the viscous stresses.

Assume velocity defect (reduction) at  $y \propto$  wall shear stress

$$\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = g\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) \quad (9.14)$$

Substituting BC [  $\bar{u} = U$  at  $y = \delta$  ] into Eq. (9.12) leads to

$$\frac{U}{u_*} = \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log\left(\frac{u_* \delta}{\nu}\right) + C_2' \quad (9.15)$$

Subtract (9.12) from (9.15)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{U}{u_*} &= \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log\left(\frac{u_* \delta}{\nu}\right) + C_2' \\ - \left[ \frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} &= \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log\left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right) + C_2 \right] \\ \hline \frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} &= \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \left\{ \log\left(\frac{u_* \delta}{\nu}\right) - \log\left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right) \right\} + C_2' - C_2 \\ &= \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log\left(\frac{\cancel{u_* \delta} \cancel{\nu}}{\cancel{\nu} \cancel{u_* y}}\right) + C_3 \\ &= -\frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + C_3 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\kappa$  and  $C_3$  are empirical constants

i) Inner region;  $\frac{y}{\delta} \leq 0.15$

→  $\kappa = 0.41$  ,  $C_3 = 2.5$

$$\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + 2.5 \quad (9.16)$$

ii) Outer region;  $\frac{y}{\delta} > 0.15$

→  $\kappa = 0.267$  ,  $C_3 = 0$

$$\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -8.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) \quad (9.17)$$

→ Eqs. (9.16) & (9.17) apply to both smooth and rough surfaces.

→ Eq. (9.16) = Eq. (9.13)

Fig. 9.8 → velocity-defect law is applicable for both smooth and rough walls

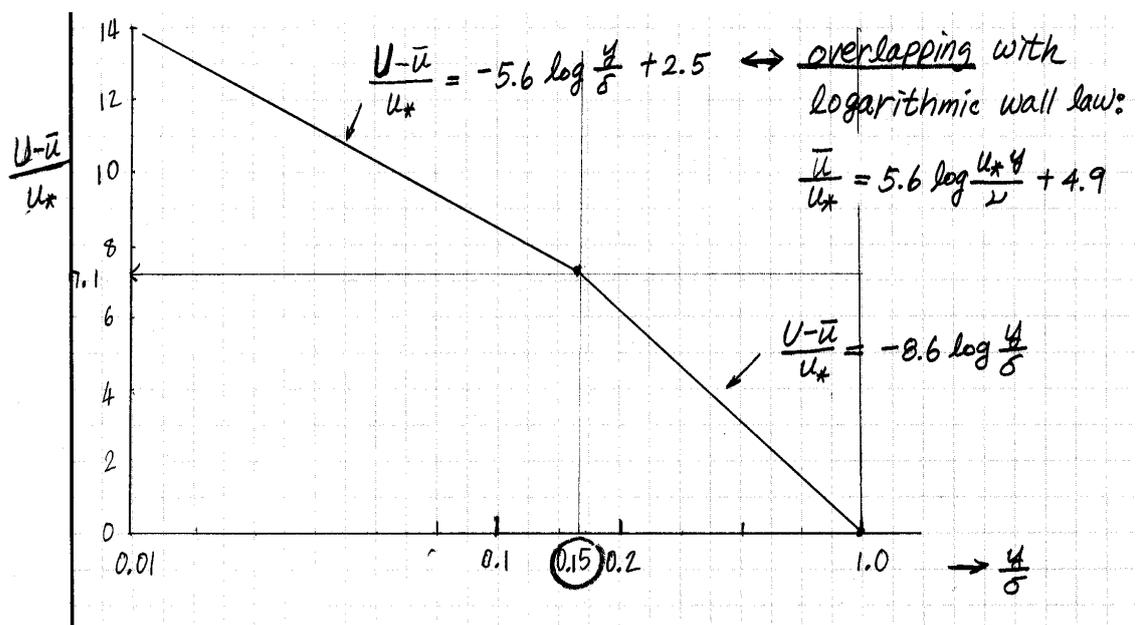
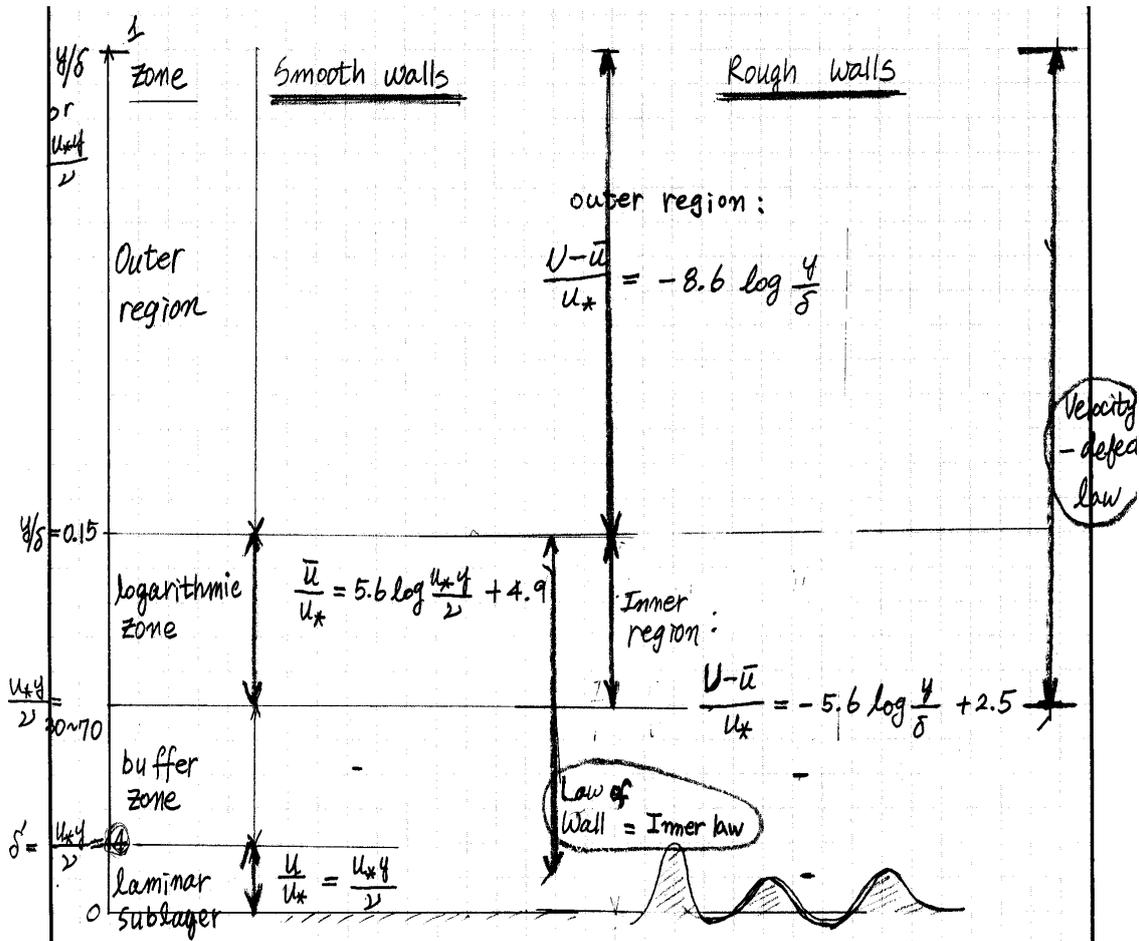


Table 9-1



■ For smooth walls

a) laminar sublayer: 
$$\frac{u}{u_*} = \frac{u_* y}{\nu}$$

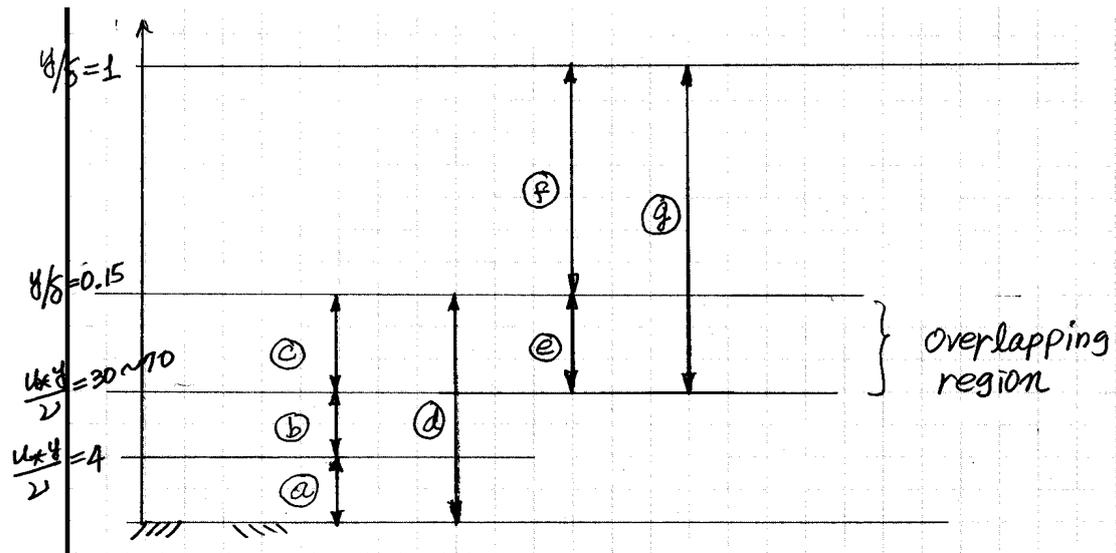
→ viscous effect dominates.

b) buffer zone

c) logarithmic zone: 
$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \frac{u_* y}{\nu} + 4.9$$

→ turbulence effect dominates.

d) inner law (law of wall) region



■ For both smooth and rough walls

e) inner region: 
$$\frac{\bar{U} - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log \frac{y}{\delta} + 2.5$$

f) outer region: 
$$\frac{\bar{U} - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -8.6 \log \frac{y}{\delta}$$

g) outer law (velocity - defect law) region

(3) Surface-resistance formulas

1) local shear-stress coefficient on smooth walls

velocity profile  $\leftrightarrow$  shear-stress equations

$$u_* = \sqrt{\tau / \rho} = \sqrt{\frac{c_f}{2}} U \rightarrow \frac{U}{u_*} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{c_f}} \quad (9.18)$$

where  $c_f =$  local shear - stress coeff.

$$[\text{Re}] \quad \tau_0 = \frac{1}{2} \rho c_f U^2 \rightarrow \frac{\tau_0}{\rho} = \frac{c_f}{2} U^2$$

$$u_* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_0}{\rho}} = \sqrt{\frac{c_f}{2}} U$$

i) Apply logarithmic law

Substituting into @  $y = \delta$  ,  $\bar{u} = U$  into Eq. (9.12) yields

$$\frac{U}{u_*} = \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log \left( \frac{u_* \delta}{\nu} \right) + C_4 \quad (\text{A})$$

Substitute (9.18) into (A)

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{c_f}} = \frac{2.3}{\kappa} \log \left( \frac{U \delta}{\nu} \sqrt{\frac{c_f}{2}} \right) + C_4 \quad (9.19)$$

$\sim c_f$  is not given explicitly.

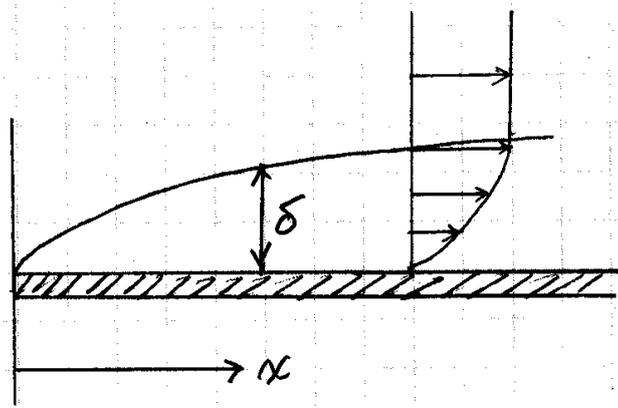
ii) For explicit expression, use displacement thickness  $\delta^*$  and momentum thickness  $\theta$  instead of  $\delta$

$$\text{Clauser: } \frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 3.96 \log \text{Re}_{\delta^*} + 3.04 \quad (9.20)$$

$$\text{Squire and Young: } \frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 4.17 \log \text{Re}_{\theta} + 2.54 \quad (9.21)$$

$$\text{where } \text{Re}_{\delta^*} = \frac{U\delta^*}{\nu} ; \quad \text{Re}_{\theta} = \frac{U\theta}{\nu}$$

$$\text{Re}_{\delta^*}, \text{Re}_{\theta} = f(\text{Re}_x), \text{Re}_x = \frac{Ux}{\nu}$$



iii) Karman's relation

~ assume turbulence boundary layer all the way from the leading edge

(i.e., no preceding stretch of laminar boundary layer)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 4.15 \log(\text{Re}_x c_f) + 1.7 \quad (9.23)$$

iv) Schultz-Grunow (1940)

$$c_f = \frac{0.370}{(\log Re_x)^{2.58}} \quad (9.24)$$

Comparison of (9.23) and (9.24)

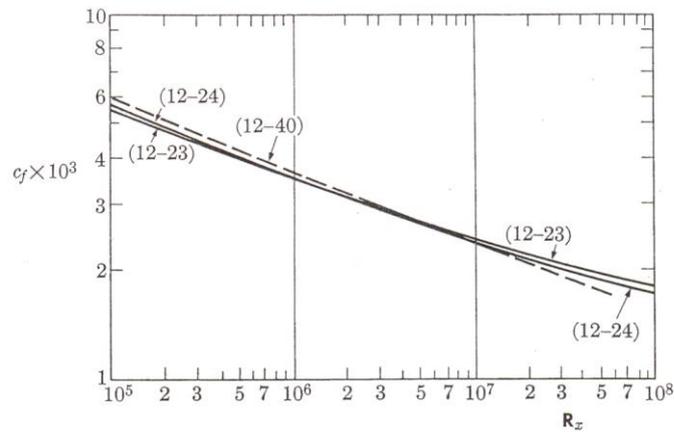


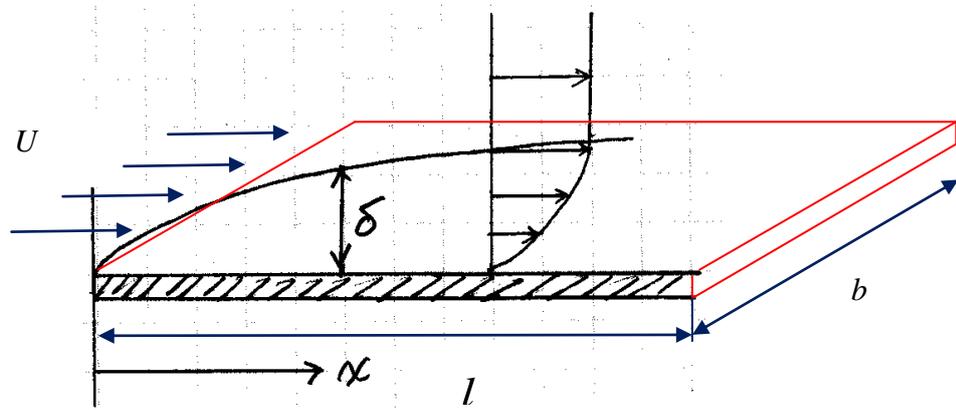
FIG. 12-9. Local coefficient of resistance.

2) Average shear-stress coefficient on smooth walls

Consider average shear-stress coefficient over a distance  $l$  along a flat plate of a width  $b$

$$\text{total drag } (D) = \tau \times bl = \frac{1}{2} C_f \rho U^2 bl$$

$$C_f \equiv \frac{D}{bl\rho U^2 / 2}$$



i) Schoenherr (1932)

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{C_f}} = 4.13 \log(\text{Re}_l C_f) \quad (9.26)$$

→ implicit

where  $\text{Re}_l = \frac{Ul}{\nu}$

ii) Schultz-Grunow

$$C_f = \frac{0.427}{(\log \text{Re}_l - 0.407)^{2.64}}, \quad 10^2 < \text{Re}_l < 10^9 \quad (9.27)$$

Comparison of (9.26) and (9.27)

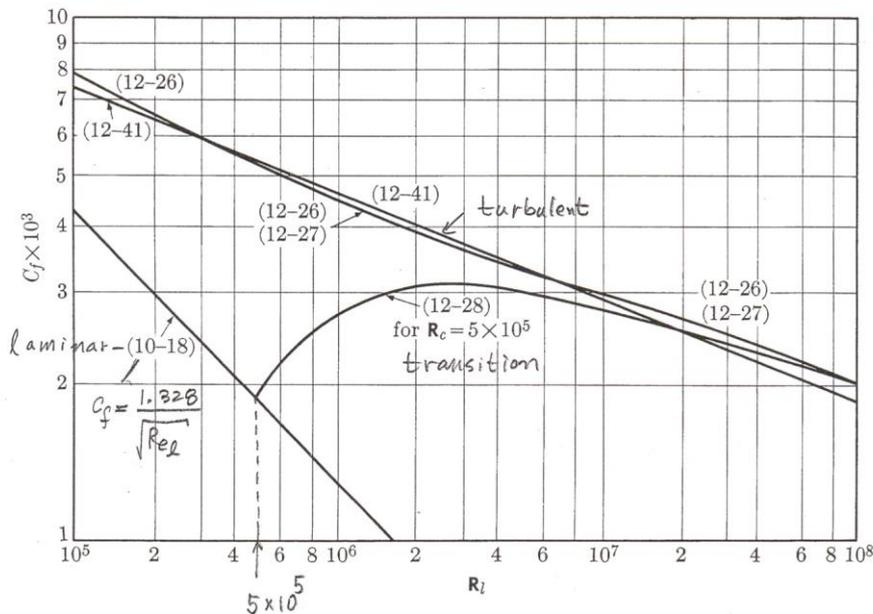
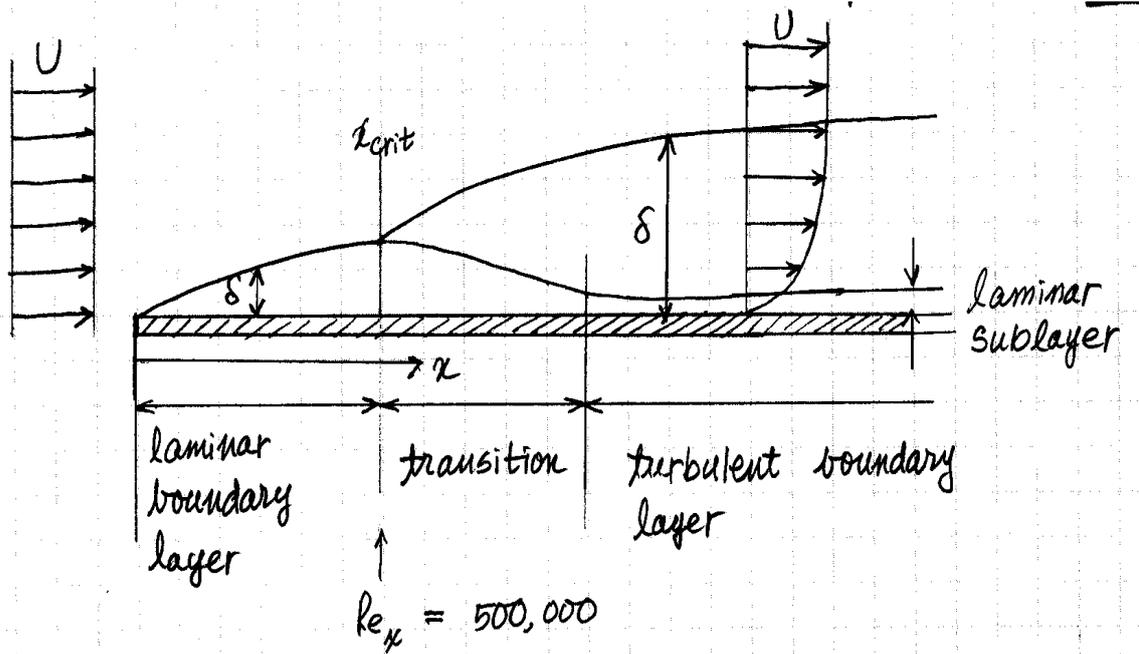


FIG. 12-10. Average coefficient of resistance for flat plates.



3) Transition formula

■ Boundary layer developing on a smooth flat plate

~ At upstream end (leading edge), laminar boundary layer develops because viscous effects dominate due to inhibiting effect of the smooth wall on the development of turbulence.

~ Thus, when there is a significant stretch of laminar boundary layer preceding the turbulent layer, total friction is the laminar portion up to  $x_{crit}$  plus the turbulent portion from  $x_{crit}$  to  $l$ .

~ Therefore, average shear-stress coefficient is lower than the prediction by Eqs. (9.26) or (9.27).

→ Use transition formula

$$C_f = \frac{0.427}{(\log Re_l - 0.407)^{2.64}} - \frac{A}{Re_l} \quad (9.28)$$

where  $A / \text{Re}_l = \text{correction term} = f(\text{Re}_{crit})$ ,  $\text{Re}_{crit} = \frac{Ux_{crit}}{\nu}$

→  $A = 1,060 \sim 3,340$  (Table 9.2, p. 240)

Eq. (9.28) falls between the laminar and turbulent curves.

Laminar flow: 
$$C_f = \frac{1.328}{\text{Re}_l^{1/2}}$$

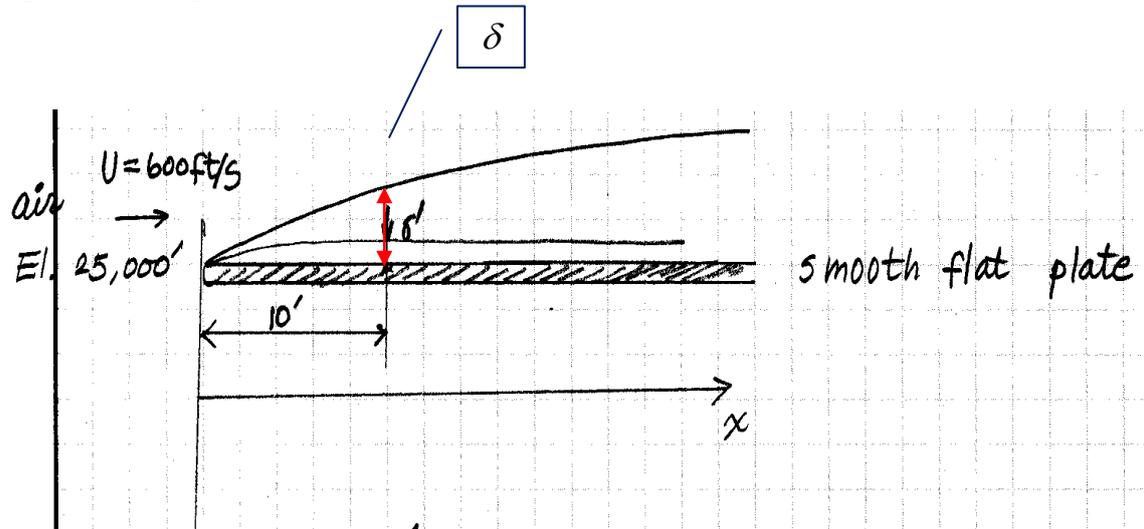
SURFACE RESISTANCE FORMULAS FOR BOUNDARY LAYERS WITH  $d\bar{p}/dx = 0$

	Smooth walls	Rough walls
<b>LOCAL SHEAR</b>		
<i>Universal equations</i>		
Clauser (12-20)	$1/\sqrt{c_f} = 3.96 \log \text{Re}_\delta^* + 3.04$	(12-46) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 3.96 \log \frac{\delta}{k} + C_8$
		$C_8 = f(\text{size, shape, and distribution of roughness})$
Squire and Young (12-21)	$1/\sqrt{c_f} = 4.17 \log \text{Re}_\theta + 2.54$	
von Kármán (12-23)	$1/\sqrt{c_f} = 4.15 \log (\text{Re}_x c_f) + 1.7$	
Schultz-Grunow (12-24)	$c_f = \frac{0.370}{(\log \text{Re}_x)^{2.58}}$	
Power law (12-40)	$c_f = \frac{0.0466}{\text{Re}_\delta^{1/4}} = \frac{0.059}{\text{Re}_x^{1/5}}$	
<b>AVERAGE SHEAR</b>		
<i>Universal equations</i>		
Schoenherr (12-26)	$1/\sqrt{C_f} = 4.13 \log (\text{Re}_l C_f)$	
Schultz-Grunow (12-27)	$C_f = \frac{0.427}{(\log \text{Re}_l - 0.407)^{2.64}}$	
Power law (12-41)	$C_f = \frac{0.074}{\text{Re}_l^{1/5}}$	
<i>Transition formula</i>		
Schultz-Grunow-Prandtl (12-28)	$C_f = \frac{0.427}{(\log \text{Re}_l - 0.407)^{2.64}} - \frac{A}{\text{Re}_l}$ $A = f(\text{Re}_{crit})$ as given in Table 12-2	

[Ex. 9.1] Turbulent boundary-layer velocity and thickness

An aircraft flies at 25,000 ft with a speed of 410 mph (600 ft/s).

Compute the following items for the boundary layer at a distance 10 ft from the leading edge of the wing of the craft.



(a) Thickness  $\delta'$  (laminar sublayer) at  $x = 10 \text{ ft}$

Air at El. 25,000 ft:  $\nu = 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ ft}^2 / \text{s}$

$$\rho = 1.07 \times 10^{-3} \text{ slug} / \text{ft}^3$$

$$\text{Select } \text{Re}_{crit} = 5 \times 10^5 = \frac{600(x)}{3 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$\therefore x_{crit} = 0.25 \text{ ft} \sim \text{negligible compared to } l = 10 \text{ ft}$$

Therefore, assume that turbulent boundary layer develops all the way from the leading edge. Use Schultz-Grunow Eq., (9.24) to compute  $c_f$

$$\text{Re}_x = \frac{Ux}{\nu} = \frac{600(10)}{(3 \times 10^{-4})} = 2 \times 10^7$$

$$c_f = \frac{0.370}{(\log \text{Re}_x)^{2.58}} = \frac{0.370}{\{\log(2 \times 10^7)\}^{2.58}} = \frac{0.370}{(7.30)^{2.58}} = \underline{0.0022}$$

$$\tau_0 = \frac{\rho}{2} c_f U^2 = \frac{1}{2} (1.07 \times 10^{-3}) (0.0022) (600)^2 = 0.422 \text{ lb} / \text{ft}^2$$

$$u_* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_0}{\rho}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.422}{1.07 \times 10^{-3}}} = 19.8 \text{ ft} / \text{s}$$

$$\text{Eq. (9.7): } \delta' = \frac{4\nu}{u_*} = \frac{4(3 \times 10^{-4})}{19.8} = 0.61 \times 10^{-4} \text{ ft} = 7.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ in}$$

(b) Velocity  $\bar{u}$  at  $y = \delta'$

$$\text{Eq. (9.6): } \frac{u}{u_*} = \frac{u_* y}{\nu}$$

$$\therefore u = \frac{u_*^2 \delta'}{\nu} = \frac{(19.8)^2 (0.61 \times 10^{-4})}{(3 \times 10^{-4})} = 79.7 \text{ ft} / \text{s} \rightarrow \underline{13\% \text{ of } U}$$

$\uparrow$   
 $y = \delta'$

$[C_f] U = 600 \text{ ft} / \text{s}$

(c) Velocity  $\bar{u}$  at  $y / \delta = 0.15$

Use Eq. (9.16) – outer law

$$\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + 2.5$$

$$\frac{600 - \bar{u}}{19.8} = -5.6 \log(0.15) + 2.5$$

$$\bar{u} = 600 - 91.35 - 49.5 = 459.2 \text{ ft} / \text{s} \rightarrow \underline{76\% \text{ of } U}$$

$$[\text{Cf}] \quad \bar{u} = U + 5.6 u_* \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) - 2.5u_*$$

(d) Distance  $y$  at  $y/\delta = 0.15$  and thickness  $\delta$

Use Eq. (9.13) – inner law

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right) + 4.9$$

$$\text{At } \frac{y}{\delta} = 0.15: \quad \frac{459}{19.8} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{19.8y}{3 \times 10^{-4}}\right) + 4.9$$

$$\log\left(\frac{19.8y}{3 \times 10^{-4}}\right) = 3.26; \quad \frac{19.8y}{3 \times 10^{-4}} = 1839$$

$$y = 0.028' = 0.33in \approx 0.8cm \quad (\text{B})$$

Substitute (B) into  $\frac{y}{\delta} = 0.15$

$$\delta = \frac{y}{0.15} = \underline{0.186'} = 2.24in \approx 5.7cm$$

$$\text{At } x = 10': \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta'} = \frac{0.186}{0.61 \times 10^{-4}} = 3049 \approx 3 \times 10^3$$

$$\frac{\delta'}{\delta} = 0.0003$$

[Ex. 9.2] Surface resistance on a smooth boundary given as Ex.9.1

(a) Displacement thickness  $\delta^*$

$$\delta^* = \int_0^h \left(1 - \frac{u}{U}\right) dy$$

$$\frac{\delta^*}{\delta} = \int_0^{h/\delta} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{u}}{U}\right) d\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right), \quad h/\delta \geq 1 \quad (A)$$

Neglect laminar sublayer and approximate buffer zone with Eq. (9.16)

(i)  $y/\delta < 0.15$ ,  $\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + 2.5 \leftarrow (9.16)$

$\therefore 1 - \frac{\bar{u}}{U} = -5.6 \frac{u_*}{U} \log \frac{y}{\delta} + 2.5 \frac{u_*}{U} \quad (B)$

(ii)  $y/\delta > 0.15$ ,  $\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -8.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) \leftarrow (9.17)$

$\therefore 1 - \frac{\bar{u}}{U} = -8.6 \frac{u_*}{U} \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) \quad (C)$

$\ln x = 2.3 \log x$

$\int \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - x$

Substituting (B) and (C) into (A) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\delta^*}{\delta} &= \int_{\delta'/\delta}^{0.15} \left(-2.43 \ln \frac{y}{\delta} + 2.5\right) \frac{u_*}{U} d\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + \int_{0.15}^{1.0} \left(-3.74 \ln \frac{y}{\delta}\right) \frac{u_*}{U} d\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) \\ &= \frac{u_*}{U} \left[ \left[ -2.43 \left\{ \frac{y}{\delta} \ln \frac{y}{\delta} - \frac{y}{\delta} \right\} + 2.5 \frac{y}{\delta} \right]_{0.0003}^{0.15} + \left[ -3.74 \left\{ \frac{y}{\delta} \ln \frac{y}{\delta} - \frac{y}{\delta} \right\} \right]_{0.15}^1 \right] \\ &\cong 3.74 \frac{u_*}{U} = 3.74 \frac{(19.8)}{600} = 0.1184 \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta^* = 0.1184\delta = 0.1184 (0.186) = 0.022 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{\delta^*}{\delta} = \underline{0.1184} \rightarrow 11.8\%$$

(b) Local surface-resistance coeff.  $c_f$

Use Eq. (9.20) by Clauser

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} &= 3.96 \log \text{Re}_{\delta^*} + 3.04 \quad \leftarrow \quad \text{Re}_{\delta^*} = \frac{600 \times 0.022}{3 \times 10^{-4}} = 44,000 \\ &= 3.96 \log(44,000) + 3.04 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore c_f = 2.18 \times 10^{-3} = \underline{0.00218}$$

[Cf]  $c_f = 0.00218$  by Schultz-Grunow Eq.

**9.3.2. Power-law formulas: Smooth walls**

- **Logarithmic equations** for velocity profile and shear-stress coeff .

~ universal

~ applicable over almost entire range of Reynolds numbers

- **Power-law equations**

~ applicable over only limited range of Reynolds numbers

~ simpler

~ explicit relations for  $\bar{u}/U$  and  $c_f$

~ explicit relations for  $\delta$  in terms of  $Re$  and distance  $x$

(1) Assumptions of power-law formulas

1) Except very near the wall, mean velocity is closely proportional to a root of the distance  $y$  from the wall.

$$\bar{u} \propto y^{\frac{1}{n}} \tag{A}$$

2) Shear stress coeff.  $c_f$  is inversely proportional to a root of  $Re_\delta$

$$c_f \propto \frac{1}{Re_\delta^m}, \quad Re_\delta = \frac{U\delta}{\nu}$$

$$c_f = \frac{A}{\left(\frac{U\delta}{\nu}\right)^m} \tag{9.29}$$

where  $A, m = \text{constants}$

[Cf] Eq. (9.29) is similar to equation for laminar boundary layer,  $c_f = \frac{3.32}{\text{Re}_\delta}$

(2) Derivation of power equation

Combine Eqs. (9.18) and (9.29)

$$(9.18): u_* = U \sqrt{\frac{c_f}{2}}$$

$$c_f = \frac{A}{\left(\frac{U\delta}{\nu}\right)^m}$$

$$\therefore \frac{U}{u_*} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{c_f}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{A}} \left(\frac{U\delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}}$$

$$\frac{U^{1-\frac{m}{2}}}{u_*} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{A}} \left(\frac{\delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}}$$

$$\left(\frac{U}{u_*}\right)^{1-\frac{m}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{A}} \left(\frac{u_*\delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{m}{2}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{U}{u_*} = B \left(\frac{u_*\delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{m}{2-m}} \tag{9.30}$$

Substitute Assumption (1) into Eq. (9.30), replace  $\delta$  with  $y$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = B \left(\frac{u_*y}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{m}{2-m}} \tag{9.31}$$

Divide (9.31) by (9.30)

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{U} = \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{m}{2-m}} \tag{9.32}$$

For  $3,000 < Re_\delta < 70,000$ ;  $m = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $A = 0.0466$   $B =$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{U} = \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \quad (9.33)$$

$$\frac{U}{u_*} = 8.74 \left(\frac{u_* \delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \quad (9.34)$$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 8.74 \left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \quad (9.35)$$

$$c_f = \frac{0.0466}{Re_\delta^{\frac{1}{4}}} \quad (9.36)$$

(3) Relation for  $\delta$

Adopt integral-momentum eq. for steady motion with  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} = 0$

~ integration of Prandtl's 2-D boundary-layer equations

$$\frac{\tau_0}{\rho} = U^2 \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = c_f \frac{U^2}{2} \leftarrow \tau_0 = \frac{\rho}{2} c_f U^2 \quad (9.37)$$

where  $\theta$  = momentum thickness

$$\theta = \int_0^h \frac{\bar{u}}{U} \left(1 - \frac{\bar{u}}{U}\right) dy \quad (A)$$

Substitute Eq. (9.33) into (A) and integrate

$$\theta = \int_0^h \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}} \left[1 - \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^{\frac{1}{7}}\right] dy \quad (9.38)$$

$$= \frac{7}{72} \delta \approx 0.1\delta$$

Substitute Eqs. (9.36) and (9.38) into (9.37) and integrate w.r.t.  $x$

$$\delta = \frac{0.318x}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \frac{0.318x}{\text{Re}_x^{\frac{1}{5}}}, \quad \text{Re}_x < 10^7 \quad (9.39)$$

$$c_f = \frac{0.059}{\text{Re}_x^{\frac{1}{5}}}, \quad \text{Re}_x < 10^7 \quad (9.40)$$

Integrate (9.40) over  $l$  to get average coefficient

$$c_f = \frac{0.074}{\text{Re}_l^{\frac{1}{5}}}, \quad \text{Re}_l < 10^7 \quad (9.41)$$

[Re] Derivation of (9.39) and (9.40)

$$U^2 \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = c_f \frac{U^2}{2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = \frac{c_f}{2} \quad (\text{B})$$

Substitute (9.38) and (9.36) into (B)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{7}{72} \delta \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 0.0466 / (\text{Re}_\delta)^{\frac{1}{4}} \right)$$

$$\frac{7}{72} \frac{\partial \delta}{\partial x} = \frac{0.0233}{\text{Re}_\delta^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{0.0233}{\left( \frac{U\delta}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial x} = \frac{0.2397}{\left( \frac{U\delta}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

Integrate once w.r.t.  $x$

$$\delta = \frac{0.2397}{\left( \frac{U\delta}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} x + C$$

B.C.:  $\delta \cong 0$  at  $x = 0$

$$0 = \frac{0.2397}{\left( \frac{U\delta}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} 0 + C \quad \rightarrow \quad C = 0$$

$$\delta = \frac{0.2397}{\left( \frac{U\delta}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} x$$

$$\delta^{\frac{5}{4}} = \frac{0.2397}{\left( \frac{Ux}{\nu} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} x^{\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$\therefore \delta = \left\{ \frac{0.2397}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} x^{\frac{5}{4}} \right\}^{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{(0.2397)^{\frac{4}{5}}}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} x$$

$$\therefore \delta = \frac{0.318}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} x = \frac{0.318}{\text{Re}_x^{\frac{1}{5}}} x \quad \rightarrow \text{Eq. (9.39)}$$

$$(9-36): c_f = \frac{0.0466}{\text{Re}_\delta^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{0.0466}{\left(\frac{U\delta}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \quad (\text{C})$$

Substitute (9.39) into (C)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore c_f &= \frac{0.0466}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left\{ \frac{0.318}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{0.062}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \left\{ \frac{x^{\frac{4}{5}}}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{4}}} \\ &= \frac{0.062}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{x^{\frac{1}{5}}}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{20}}}} = \frac{0.062}{\left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}} x^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \frac{0.062}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} = \frac{0.062}{\text{Re}_x^{\frac{1}{5}}} \quad \rightarrow (9.40) \end{aligned}$$

Integrate (9.40) over  $l$

$$\bar{C}_f = \frac{1}{l} \int_0^l \frac{0.062}{\text{Re}_x^{\frac{1}{5}}} dx = \frac{0.062}{l} \int_0^l \frac{1}{\left(\frac{Ux}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} dx = \frac{0.062}{l \left(\frac{U}{\nu}\right)^{\frac{1}{5}}} \int_0^l \frac{1}{x^{\frac{1}{5}}} dx = \frac{0.076}{\text{Re}_l^{\frac{1}{5}}}$$

9.3.3. Laws for rough walls

(1) Effects of roughness

rough walls: velocity distribution and resistance =  $f(\text{Reynolds number}, \text{roughness})$

smooth walls: velocity distribution and resistance =  $f(\text{Reynolds number})$

- For natural roughness,  $k$  is random, and statistical quantity

$\rightarrow k = k_s = \text{uniform sand grain}$

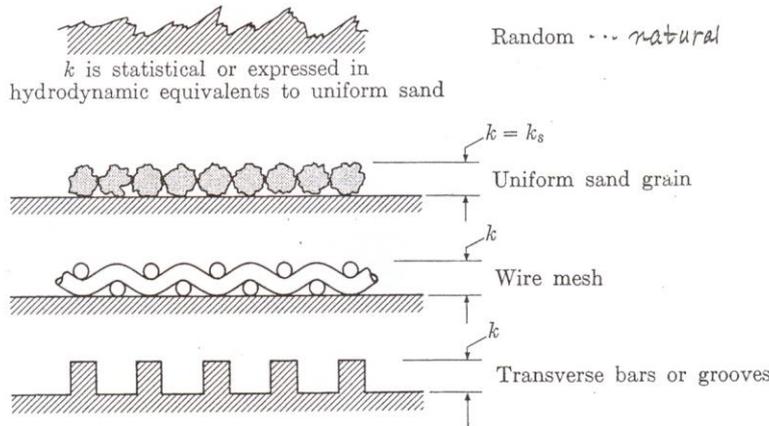


FIG. 12-11. Example of roughness types and definitions of roughness magnitude  $k$ .

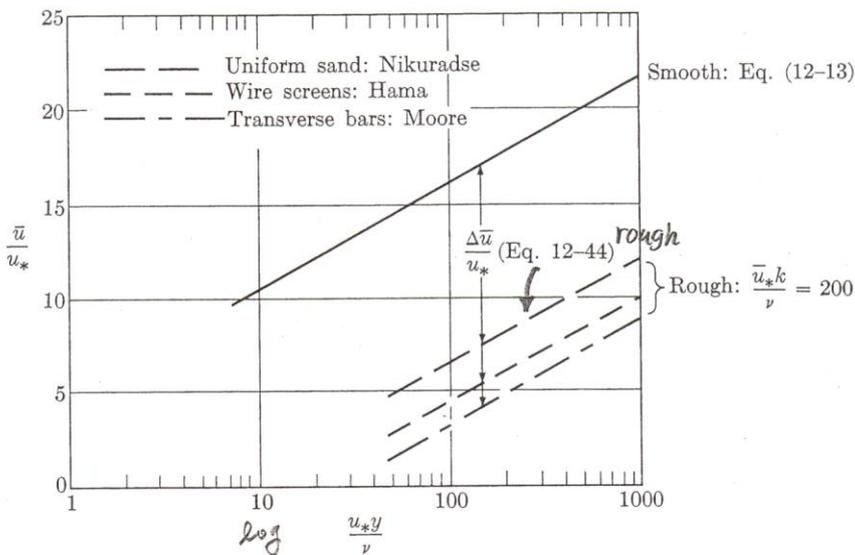


FIG. 12-12. Boundary-layer velocity-profile data illustrating effect of roughness.

- Measurement of roughness effects

- a) experiments with sand grains cemented to smooth surfaces

- b) evaluate roughness value  $\equiv$  height  $k_s$

- c) compare hydrodynamic behavior with other types and magnitude of roughness

- Effects of roughness

- i)  $\frac{k_s}{\delta'} < 1$

- ~ roughness has negligible effect on the wall shear

- hydrodynamically smooth

$$\delta' = \frac{4\nu}{u_*} = \text{laminar sublayer thickness}$$

- ii)  $\frac{k_s}{\delta'} > 1$

- ~ roughness effects appear

- ~ roughness disrupts the laminar sublayer

- ~ smooth-wall relations for velocity and  $c_f$  no longer hold

- hydrodynamically rough

- iii)  $\frac{k_s}{\delta'} > 15 \sim 25$

- ~ friction and velocity distribution depend only on roughness rather than Reynolds number

- fully rough flow condition

- Critical roughness,  $k_{crit}$

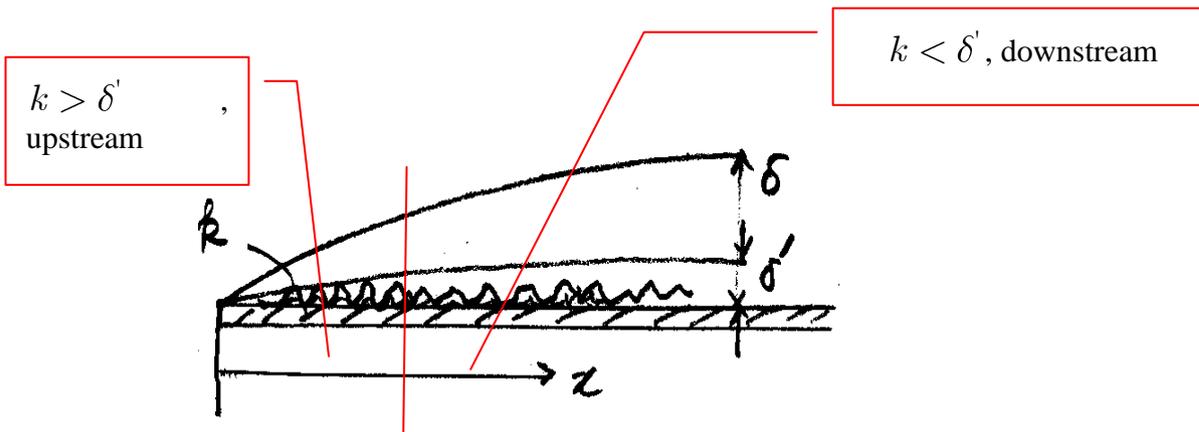
$$k_{crit} = \delta'$$

$$= \frac{4\nu}{u_*} = \frac{4\nu}{U\sqrt{c_f/2}} \propto \text{Re}_x \propto x$$

$$c_f \propto \frac{1}{\text{Re}_x}$$

If  $x$  increases, then  $c_f$  decreases, and  $\delta'$  increases.

Therefore, for a surface of uniform roughness, it is possible to be hydrodynamically rough upstream, and hydrodynamically smooth downstream.



(2) Rough-wall velocity profiles

Assume roughness height  $k$  accounts for magnitude, form, and distribution of the roughness. Then

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = f\left(\frac{y}{k}\right) \tag{9.42}$$

Make  $f$  in Eq. (9.42) be a logarithmic function to overlap the velocity-defect law, Eq.

(9.16), which is applicable for both rough and smooth boundaries.

$$(9.16): \frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + 2.5, \quad \frac{y}{\delta} < 0.15$$

i) For rough walls, in the wall region

$$\frac{\bar{u}_{rough}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{k}{y}\right) + C_5, \quad \frac{u_* y}{\nu} > 50 \sim 100, \quad \frac{y}{\delta} < 0.15 \quad (9.43)$$

where  $C_5 = \text{const} = f(\text{size, shape, distribution of the roughness})$

ii) For smooth walls, in the wall region

$$(9.13): \frac{\bar{u}_{smooth}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{u_* y}{\nu}\right) + C_2, \quad \frac{u_* y}{\nu} > 30 \sim 70, \quad \frac{y}{\delta} < 0.15$$

where  $C_2 = 4.9$

Subtract Eq. (9.43) from Eq. (9.13)

$$\frac{\Delta \bar{u}}{u_*} = \frac{\bar{u}_{smooth} - \bar{u}_{rough}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{u_* k}{\nu}\right) + C_6 \quad (9.44)$$

→ **Roughness reduces** the local mean velocity  $\bar{u}$  in the wall region

where  $C_5$  and  $C_6 \rightarrow$  Table 9-4

TABLE 12-4

VALUES OF CONSTANTS IN ROUGH-WALL EQUATIONS FOR THE WALL REGION  
 ( $y/\delta < 0.15$ ;  $u_*k/\nu > 50$  to 100)

Roughness type	Source of data	$C_5$ , Eq. (12-43)	$C_6$ , Eq. (12-44)	$C_8$ , Eq. (12-46)
Uniform sand grains	Nikuradse [11] (pipes)	8.2	-3.3	7.55
Wire screens	Hama [12] (plates)	6.1	-1.2	6.1
Transverse bars	Moore [7] (plates)	4.9	0	5.25

Eq. (12-43):  $\bar{u}/u_* = -5.6 \log(k/y) + C_5$ ,

Eq. (12-44):  $\Delta\bar{u}/u_* = 5.6 \log(u_*k/\nu) + C_6$ ,

Eq. (12-46):  $1/\sqrt{c_f} = 3.96 \log(\delta/k) + C_8$ .

(Constants in this table were evaluated graphically from Fig. 12-12.)

(6) Surface-resistance formulas: rough walls

Combine Eqs. (9.43) and (9.16)

$$\frac{U - \bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) + 2.5, \quad \frac{y}{\delta} < 0.15$$

$$+ \left[ \frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = -5.6 \log\left(\frac{k}{y}\right) + C_5 \right]$$


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$$\rightarrow \frac{U}{u_*} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{\delta}{k}\right) + C_7 \tag{9.45}$$

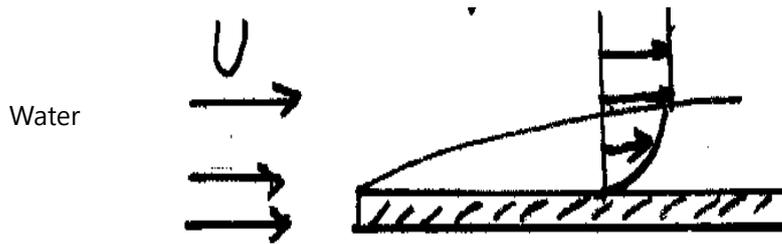
$$\frac{U}{u_*} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{c_f}} = 5.6 \log\left(\frac{\delta}{k}\right) + C_7$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 3.96 \log\left(\frac{\delta}{k}\right) + C_8 \tag{9.46}$$

[Ex. 9.3]

Rough wall velocity distribution and local skin friction coefficient

- Comparison of the boundary layers on a smooth plate and a plate roughened by sand grains



▪ Given:  $\tau_0 = 0.485 \text{ lb} / \text{ft}^2$  on both plates

$U = 10 \text{ ft} / \text{sec}$  past the rough plate

$k_s = 0.001 \text{ ft}$

Water temp. =  $58^\circ \text{F}$  on both plates

(a) Velocity reduction  $\Delta u$  due to roughness

From Table 1-3:

$$\rho = 1.938 \text{ slug} / \text{ft}^3; \quad \nu = 1.25 \times 10^{-5} \text{ ft}^2 / \text{sec}$$

Eq. (9.18)

$$\therefore u_* = \sqrt{\frac{\tau_0}{\rho}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.485}{1.938}} = 0.5 \text{ ft} / \text{sec}$$

$$c_f = 2 \left( \frac{u_*}{U} \right)^2 = 2 \left( \frac{0.5}{10} \right)^2 = 0.005$$

$$\frac{u_* k_s}{\nu} = \frac{0.5(0.001)}{1.25 \times 10^{-5}} = 40$$

$$\text{Eq. (9.44): } \frac{\Delta u}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \left( \frac{u_* k_s}{\nu} \right) - 3.3$$

$$\therefore \Delta u = 0.5 \{ 5.6 \log 40 - 3.3 \} = \underline{2.83 \text{ ft / sec}}$$

(b) Velocity  $\bar{u}$  on each plate at  $y = 0.007 \text{ ft}$

i) For rough plate

$$\text{Eq. (9.43): } \frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \frac{y}{k} + 8.2$$

$$\therefore \bar{u} = 0.5 \left( 5.6 \log \frac{0.007}{0.001} + 8.2 \right) = \underline{6.47 \text{ ft / sec}}$$

ii) For smooth plate,

$$\text{Eq. (9.13): } \frac{\bar{u}}{u_*} = 5.6 \log \frac{u_* y}{\nu} + 4.9$$

$$\frac{u_* y}{\nu} = \frac{0.5(0.007)}{1.25 \times 10^{-5}} = 280$$

$$\therefore \bar{u} = 0.5 \{ 5.6 \log(280) + 4.9 \} = \underline{9.3 \text{ ft / sec}}$$

Check  $\Delta \bar{u} = 9.3 - 6.47 = 2.83 \rightarrow$  same result as (a)

(c) Boundary layer thickness  $\delta$  on the rough plate

Eq. (9.46):

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{c_f}} = 3.96 \log \frac{\delta}{k_s} + 7.55$$

$$\therefore \log \frac{\delta}{k_s} = \frac{1}{3.96} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{0.005}} - 7.55 \right\} = 1.66$$

$$\therefore \frac{\delta}{k_s} = 46 \rightarrow \delta = 0.046ft = 0.52in = 1.4cm$$