dimensional analysis

$$\frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} = 0 \qquad \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + v_x \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial y} \right) = \rho \mathbf{g} - \nabla \rho + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$x^* = x/L \qquad v_x^* = v_x/v_\infty \qquad t^* = \frac{tv_\infty}{L} \qquad v^* = v/v_\infty \qquad \nabla^* = L\nabla$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{v}^*}{\partial t^*} + v_x^* \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}^*}{\partial x^*} + v_y^* \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}^*}{\partial y^*} = g \frac{L}{v_\infty^2} - \frac{\nabla^* P}{\rho v_\infty^2} + \frac{\mu}{L v_\infty \rho} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}^*}{\partial x^{*2}} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{v}^*}{\partial y^{*2}} \right)$$

$$Fr \equiv v_\infty^2 / gL \qquad \text{(inertial to gravitational forces)}$$

$$Eu \equiv P / \rho v_\infty^2 \qquad \text{(pressure to inertial forces)} \qquad C_D \equiv \frac{F/A}{\rho v_\infty^2/2}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \equiv Lv_\infty \rho / \mu \qquad \text{(inertial to viscous force)}$$

dynamic similarity

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \qquad \rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \rho \mathbf{g}$$

$$x^* = x/L, \quad \mathbf{u}^* = \mathbf{u}/U, \quad t^* = Ut/L, \quad p^* = p/\rho U^2 \qquad \nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}^*}$$

$$\nabla^* \cdot \mathbf{u}^* = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}^*}{\partial t^*} + \mathbf{u}^* \cdot \nabla^* \mathbf{u}^* = -\nabla^* p^* + \frac{1}{\text{Re}} \nabla^{*2} \mathbf{u}^* + \frac{1}{\text{Fr}} \frac{\mathbf{g}}{g}$$
Boundary conditions
$$u_x = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad y = 0$$

$$u_x^* = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad y^* = 0$$

We =
$$\frac{\rho U^2 L}{\sigma}$$

Name/Symbol	Dimensionless group	Physical meaning	Area of application
Reynolds number, Re	<i>L</i> νρ/μ	Inertial force Viscous force	Widely applicable in a host of fluid flow situations
Euler number, Eu	$P/\rho v^2$		
Coefficient of skin friction, C_f	$\frac{F/A}{\rho v^2/2}$	Pressure Force Inertial force	Flows involving pressure differences due to frictional effects
Froude number, Fr	v^2/gL	Inertial force Gravitational force	Flows involving free liquid surfaces
Weber number, We	$\frac{\rho v^2 L}{\sigma}$	Inertial force Surface tension force	Flows with significant surface tension effects
Mach number, M	v/C	Inertial force Compressibility force	Flows with significant compressibility effects

 Table 11.2
 Common dimensionless parameters in momentum transfer

If two flows occur in geometrically similar systems in which viscous effects and interfacial phenomena occur, and if *Re, We, Fr* are the same in both systems, the two systems are dynamically similar



Goal: to know how much a drop spreads on impact with a surface

$$V = 8nanoliters = 8 \times 10^{-12} m^3$$
, $\mu = 0.005 Pa \cdot s$, $\sigma = 0.04 N/m$, $U = 1m/s$

We want to design a scaled-up version of this process to facilitate observation and measurement of the drop dynamics (designing a dynamically similar system)

Length scale $L = V^{1/3} = (8 \times 10^{-12})^{1/3} \text{ m} = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$ Velocity scale U = 1 m/s

Assume gravity is not a significant factor (this may not be the case) -> ignore *Froude* number

$$\operatorname{Re} = \frac{\rho UL}{\mu} = \frac{1000(1)0.0002}{0.005} = 40 \qquad \operatorname{We} = \frac{\rho U^2 L}{\sigma} = \frac{1000(1)^2 (0.0002)}{0.04} = 5$$

We must design an experiment such that

Re = 40 =
$$\left(\frac{\rho UL}{\mu}\right)_{exp}$$
 We = 5 = $\left(\frac{\rho U^2 L}{\sigma}\right)_{exp}$

5 parameters, 2 constrains -> 3 free parameters

$$\sigma = 0.05 \text{ N/m}, \quad \rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3, \quad L = 0.002m$$

 $U = 0.354 \text{ m/s}, \quad \mu = 0.018 \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s}$



Removing oil from water surface

Moving belt with hydrophobic surface

Oil film Water

U

Goal: design an experimental model to learn more about how the rate of oil entrainment is related to operating parameters such as belt speed and physical properties

Dynamics are dependent on the balance between inertial, viscous, surface, gravitational forces

$$\operatorname{Re} = \left(\frac{\rho UL}{\mu}\right)_{\operatorname{model}} = \left(\frac{\rho UL}{\mu}\right)_{\operatorname{system}} \operatorname{We} = \left(\frac{\rho U^2 L}{\sigma}\right)_{\operatorname{model}} = \left(\frac{\rho U^2 L}{\sigma}\right)_{\operatorname{system}} \operatorname{Fr} = \left(\frac{U^2}{gL}\right)_{\operatorname{model}} = \left(\frac{U^2}{gL}\right)_{\operatorname{system}} \operatorname{Fr} = \left(\frac{U^2}{gL}\right)_{\operatorname{system}} \operatorname{Fr} = \left(\frac{U^2}{gL}\right)_{\operatorname{model}} = \left(\frac{U^2}{gL}\right)_{\operatorname{system}} \operatorname{Fr} = \left(\frac{U^2$$

5 parameters, 3 constraints -> 2 free parameters

$$L_{\rm model} = k L_{\rm system}$$
 $\rho_{\rm model} = \rho_{\rm system}$

$$U_{\text{model}} = k^{1/2} U_{\text{system}}$$
$$\mu_{\text{model}} = k^{3/2} \mu_{\text{system}}$$
$$\sigma_{\text{model}} = k^2 \sigma_{\text{system}}$$

1.Large k does not meet surface tension2.Cannot take all three dimensionless group together3.Need more physics to make knowledgeableevaluations of the relative importance of the threedynamic groups, *Re, We, Fr*

Experimental design

At some critical height, the free surface forms a vortex that is sucked into the tube, entraining air in the liquid; we wish to avoid

$$D_{\rm r} = 1 \,{\rm m}$$
 $D_{\rm t} = 0.03 \,{\rm m}$ $L_{\rm l} = 0.5 \,{\rm m}$ $L_{\rm 2} = 0.3 \,{\rm m}$ $Q = 1.2 \times 10^{-2} \,{m^3} \,{\rm / \, s}$

 $\mu = 2.4 \,\mathrm{Pa} \cdot \mathrm{s}$ $\rho = 2400 \,\mathrm{kg/m^3}$ $\sigma = 0.25 \,\mathrm{N/m}$

Molten ceramic at 1000K in large reservoir -> need scale-down

Dynamic similarity $Re_{model} = Re_{real}$ $Fr_{model} = Fr_{real}$ $We_{model} = We_{real}$

If the length scale is large, the radius of curvature of the vortex may be so large that surface tension effect will be negligible

Bo =
$$\frac{\text{We}}{\text{Fr}} = \frac{\rho g L^2}{\sigma} = \frac{2400 \times 9.8 \times 0.03^2}{0.25} = 84.7$$

Surface tension effect is unimportant -> neglect We



Re =
$$\frac{\rho U D_{t}}{\mu} = \frac{4\rho Q}{\pi D_{t} \mu} = 509$$
 Fr = $\frac{U^{2}}{g D_{t}} = \frac{16Q^{2}}{\pi^{2} g D_{t}^{5}} = 980$

3 parameters (tube diameter, flow rate, kinematic viscosity), 2 constraints -> select tube diameter 0.3*cm* (scale down by one order of magnitude)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{Q} \\ vD_t \end{bmatrix}_{\text{model}} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{Q} \\ vD_t \end{bmatrix}_{\text{real}} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{Q}^2 \\ D_t^5 \end{bmatrix}_{\text{model}} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{Q}^2 \\ D_t^5 \end{bmatrix}_{\text{real}}$$
$$Q_{\text{model}} = 3.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s} = 38 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$$
$$v_{\text{model}} = 3.16 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\mu_{\rm model} = 3.16 \times 10^{-2} \, \rm Pa \cdot s$$

Test with an aqueous solution of corn syrup or glycerol at 1/10 of full scale (geometrically and dynamically similar)

$$Bo = \frac{1000(9.8)(0.003)^2}{0.06} = 1.5$$

Surface tension may be important in this small length scale

Need more experiments with liquids of several surface tensions and look for any influence

Dimensional analysis

The problem of a drop of liquid formed at the lower end of a vertical capillary

Step 1: Make a list of the relevant parameters requires a good sense of the physics of the process

Step 2: List the fundamental dimensions of each parameter

 $V_{\rm drop}$ [=] L^3 $D_{\rm c}$ [=] L ρ [=] m/L^3 σ [=] m/t^2

 $g = L/t^2 \quad \mu = m/Lt \quad U = L/t$

The effect of temperature arises only through its effect on the physical properties

Step 3: Determine, from the Buckingham pi theorem, the number of dimensionless groups that characterize this problem

of independent dimensionless groups = # of parameters – # of dimensions (4 = 7 - 3)

rank of dimensional matrix

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Step 4: From the list of the independent parameters (all but V_{drop}) select a number equal to D (=3, in this case) that will be used as 'recurring parameters'.

It is wise to pick a set of parameters that include all the dimensions

 $D_{
m c}\,,
ho\,,\sigma$

Step 5: Form, in turn, dimensionless groups that are proportional to each of the remaining nonrecurring parameters recurring parameters

 \downarrow $V_{drop}^{*} = V_{drop} [D_{c}^{a} \sigma^{b} \rho^{c}]$ $\uparrow \text{ nonrecurring parameter}$ $g^{*} = g D_{c}^{a} \sigma^{b} \rho^{c}$ $U^{*} = U D_{c}^{a} \sigma^{b} \rho^{c}$ $\mu^{*} = \mu D_{c}^{a} \sigma^{b} \rho^{c}$

a,b,c are different for each of these four equations

Step 6: For each of the four equations above, solve for the set of exponents

$$\begin{split} V_{\text{drop}}^* &= V_{\text{drop}} D_c^a \, \sigma^b \, \rho^c & m^0 L^0 t^0 = (L/t^2) L^a (m/t^2)^b (m/L^3)^c \\ m^0 L^0 t^0 &= L^3 L^a (m/t^2)^b (m/L^3)^c & 0 = b + c & m^0 L^0 t^0 = (L/t) L^a (m/t^2)^b (m/L^3)^c \\ m: & 0 = b + c & 0 = 1 + a - 3c & 0 = -2 - 2b & 0 = 1 + a - 3a \\ L: & 0 = -2b & b = -1 \ c = 1 \ a = 2 & b = -1 - 2b \\ t: & 0 = -2b & b = -1 \ c = 1 \ a = 2 & b = -\frac{1}{2} \ c = \frac{1}{2} \ a = \frac{1}{2} \\ V_{\text{drop}}^* &= \frac{V_{\text{drop}}}{D_c^3} & g^* = \frac{g\rho D_c^2}{\sigma} & U^* = U \left(\frac{D_c \rho}{\sigma}\right)^{1/2} \end{split}$$

$$m^{0}L^{0}t^{0} = (m/Lt)L^{a}(m/t^{2})^{b}(m/L^{3})^{c}$$

$$0 = 1 + b + c$$

$$0 = -1 + a - 3c$$

$$0 = -1 - 2b$$

$$V_{drop}^{*} \equiv \frac{V_{drop}}{D_{c}^{3}} = f\left[U\left(\frac{\rho D_{c}}{\sigma}\right)^{1/2}, \frac{\rho g D_{c}^{2}}{\sigma}, \frac{\mu}{(\rho \sigma D_{c})^{1/2}}\right]$$

$$b = -\frac{1}{2} \quad c = -\frac{1}{2} \quad a = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\mu^{*} = \mu (D_{c}\rho\sigma)^{-1/2}$$

Dispersion of an oil stream in an aqueous pipe flow

Predict the mean droplet diameter as a function of the parameters that characterize this flow



Step 1: Make a list of parameters.

Figure 1.2.3 An oil stream is dispersed into droplets by a surrounding aqueous flow.

Step 2: List the fundamental dimensions.

 $\overline{D} [=] L \quad D_{p} [=] L \quad L_{p} [=] L \quad d [=] L \quad \rho [=] m/L^{3} \quad \sigma [=] m/t^{2}$ $\mu [=] m/Lt \quad Q [=] L^{3}/t \quad q [=] L^{3}/t \quad \rho' [=] m/L^{3} \quad \mu' [=] m/Lt$

Step 3: Use the Buckingham pi theorem.

The number of fundamental dimensionless groups = 11 - 3 = 8

Step 4: Select the recurring parameters. $D_{\rm p}$, ho , σ Step 5: Form, in turn, dimensionless groups.

$$\overline{D}^{*} = \overline{D}D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad L_{p}^{*} = L_{p}D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad \mu^{*} = \mu D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad \mu^{'*} = \mu' D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c}$$
$$\rho^{'*} = \rho' D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad d^{*} = dD_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad q^{*} = q D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c} \quad Q^{*} = Q D_{p}^{a}\sigma^{b}\rho^{c}$$

Step 6: Solve for the coefficients for each of the equations.

$$\begin{split} \overline{D}^{*} &= \overline{D} D_{p}^{a} \sigma^{b} \rho^{c} \\ m^{0} L^{0} t^{0} &= L L^{a} (m/t^{2})^{b} (m/L^{3})^{c} \\ m: \quad 0 &= b + c \\ L: \quad 0 &= 1 + a - 3b \\ t: \quad 0 &= -2b \\ b &= 0 \quad c &= 0 \quad a &= -1 \\ \overline{D}^{*} &= \frac{\overline{D}}{D_{p}} \\ \end{split} \qquad \begin{split} m^{0} L^{0} t^{0} &= (m/Lt) L^{a} (m/t^{2})^{b} (m/L^{3})^{c} \\ 0 &= 1 + b + c \\ 0 &= -1 + a - 3c \\ 0 &= -1 + a - 3c \\ 0 &= -1 - 2b \\ b &= -\frac{1}{2} \quad c &= -\frac{1}{2} \quad a &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ \overline{D}^{*} &= \frac{\overline{D}}{D_{p}} \\ \end{split}$$

$$\overline{D}^{*} = \frac{\overline{D}}{D_{p}} = F \left[\mu \left(D_{p} \rho \sigma \right)^{-1/2}, \mu' \left(D_{p} \rho \sigma \right)^{-1/2}, \frac{\rho'}{\rho}, \frac{d}{D_{p}}, \frac{L_{p}}{D_{p}}, Q \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma D_{p}^{3}} \right)^{1/2}, q \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma D_{p}^{3}} \right)^{1/2} \right]$$
$$\overline{D}^{*} = \frac{\overline{D}}{D_{p}} = F \left[\mu' \left(D_{p} \rho \sigma \right)^{-1/2}, \frac{\mu'}{\mu}, \frac{\rho'}{\rho}, \frac{d}{D_{p}}, \frac{L_{p}}{D_{p}}, Q \left(\frac{\rho}{\sigma D_{p}^{3}} \right)^{1/2}, \frac{q}{Q} \right]$$

Speculation about the physics of the process

- viscosity of oil is not significant if it is comparable to that of water
- inlet tube diameter is of no significance if it is large compared to the drop size
- most liquid densities lie in a narrow range -> no effect of density ratio
- as long as pipe length is large, drop size reaches equilibrium and does not change
- if q/Q is small, it does not affect the drop breakup

