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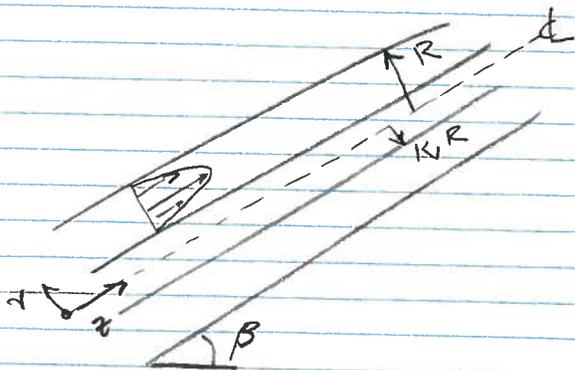
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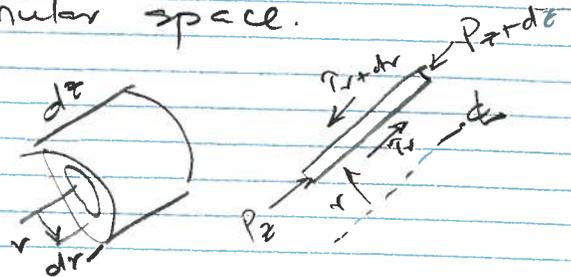
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Two concentric tubes are inclined at angle  $\beta$  to the horizon. The inner radius of the outer tube is  $R$  and the outer radius of the inner tube is  $\kappa R$ . A fluid flows at a steady rate through the annular space in the upwards direction. (Fluid density =  $\rho$  and viscosity =  $\mu$ ).

- a) Derive an expression for the velocity distribution in the annular space. Show all your steps.
- b) What is the relationship between the maximum and average velocities if  $\kappa = 0.4$ ?



Consider a differential element - a ring in the annular space.



Since the flow is steady and pipe radii are constant, there is no change in momentum.

The force balance is given by

$$(2\pi r dz \tau_r) \Big|_r - (2\pi r dz \tau_r) \Big|_{r+dr} + P_z (2\pi r dr) - P_{z+dz} (2\pi r dr) - (2\pi r dr dz) \rho g \sin \beta = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{r} - 2\pi dz \frac{d(r \tau_r)}{dr} dr - \frac{dP}{dz} dz (2\pi r dr) -$$

$$\rho g \sin \beta (2\pi r dr dz) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d(r \tau_r)}{dr} + r \frac{dP}{dz} + r \rho g \sin \beta = 0$$

When  $\tau_r = -\mu \frac{du}{dr}$  is substituted

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{1}{\mu} \left\{ \frac{dP}{dz} + \rho g \sin \beta \right\} \quad (1)$$

Define  $\Gamma = \frac{dP}{dz} + \rho g \sin \beta = \text{constant}$

Equation (1) is subject to the boundary conditions  
 $r = kR$   $u = 0$  and  $r = R$ ,  $u = 0$  (2)

Integrate (1)

$$r \frac{du}{dr} = \frac{\Gamma}{\mu} \frac{r^2}{2} + C_1$$



If the maximum velocity is at  $r = \lambda R$ , where  $\frac{du}{dr} = 0$ ,  
 then  $C_1 = -\frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} (\lambda R)^2$ , i.e. an unknown  $\lambda$   
 has been substituted for another unknown  $C_1$ .

$$r \frac{du}{dr} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} (r^2 - \lambda^2 R^2) \quad (3)$$

Integrate

$$u = \frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} \left( \frac{r^2}{2} - \lambda^2 R^2 \ln r \right) + C_2 \quad (4)$$

Use the boundary conditions

$$0 = \frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} \left( \frac{R^2}{2} - \lambda^2 R^2 \ln R \right) + C_2$$

$$0 = \frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} \left( \frac{k^2 R^2}{2} - \lambda^2 R^2 \ln kR \right) + C_2$$

Subtract

$$0 = \frac{\Gamma}{2\mu} \left\{ \frac{R^2}{2} (1 - k^2) - \lambda^2 R^2 \ln \frac{R}{kR} \right\}$$

$$\therefore \lambda^2 = \frac{1 - K^2}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} \quad (5)$$

and

$$C_2 = - \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{(1-K^2)}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} \ln R \right\} \quad (6)$$

Subst. into (4)

$$u = \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \frac{r^2}{R^2} - \lambda^2 \ln r \right\} - \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \lambda^2 \ln R \right\}$$

$$u = \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r^2}{R^2} - 1 \right) - \lambda^2 \ln \frac{r}{R} \right\} \quad (7)$$

Overall

$$(a) \quad u = \frac{\left[ \frac{dp}{dz} + \rho g \sin \beta \right] R^2}{4\mu} \left\{ \frac{r^2}{R^2} - 1 - \frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \ln \frac{r}{R} \right\}$$

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(b) The velocity is maximum at  $r = \lambda R$  or  $\frac{r}{R} = \lambda$

$$u_{\max} = \frac{\Gamma R^2}{4\mu} \left\{ \lambda^2 - 1 - 2\lambda^2 \ln \lambda \right\} \quad (8)$$

The average velocity

$$\bar{u} = \frac{\int_{KR}^R 2\pi r dr u}{\int_{KR}^R 2\pi r dr} = \frac{\int_{KR}^R r u dr}{\int_{KR}^R r dr}$$

$$\bar{w} = \int_{KR}^R r \left( \frac{\pi R^2}{4\mu} \right) \left( \frac{r^2}{R^2} - 1 - 2\lambda^2 \ln \frac{r}{R} \right) dr$$

$$\int_{KR}^R r dr$$

$$= \frac{\pi R^2}{4\mu} \int_{KR}^R \left( \frac{r^3}{R^2} - r - 2\lambda^2 r \ln \frac{r}{R} \right) dr$$

$$\frac{1}{2} R^2 (1 - K^2)$$

$$= \frac{\pi R^2}{4\mu} \cdot R^2 \int_K^1 \left( \frac{r^3}{R^3} - \frac{r}{R} - 2\lambda^2 \frac{r}{R} \ln \frac{r}{R} \right) d\left(\frac{r}{R}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} R^2 (1 - K^2)$$

$$= \frac{\pi R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \int_K^1 (\eta^3 - \eta - 2\lambda^2 \eta \ln \eta) d\eta$$

$$= \frac{\pi R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ \frac{\eta^4}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\eta^2 - 2\lambda^2 \left( \frac{\eta^2}{2} (\ln \eta - \frac{1}{2}) \right) \right] \Bigg|_K^1$$

$$= \frac{\pi R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - 2\lambda^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\ln 1 - \frac{1}{2}) \right\} \right) - \right.$$

$$\left. \left( \frac{K^4}{4} - \frac{K^2}{2} - 2\lambda^2 \left\{ \frac{K^2}{2} (\ln K - \frac{1}{2}) \right\} \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ \left( -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2\lambda^2}{4} \right) - \left( \frac{K^4}{4} - \frac{K^2}{2} - 2\lambda^2 \frac{K^2}{2} \ln K + \frac{2\lambda^2 K^2}{4} \right) \right]$$

Given that  $2\lambda^2 = \frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})}$  substitute here

$$= \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2\lambda^2}{4}(1-K^2) - \frac{K^4}{4} + \frac{K^2}{2} - \frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \frac{K^2}{2} \ln(\frac{1}{K}) \right]$$

\* (Note:  $-\ln K = \ln(\frac{1}{K})$ )

$$= \frac{\Gamma R^2}{2\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2\lambda^2(1-K^2)}{4} - \frac{K^4}{4} + \frac{K^2}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma R^2}{8\mu(1-K^2)} \left[ (1-K^4) - \frac{(1-K^2)(1-K^2)}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \right]$$

$$\bar{u} = -\frac{\Gamma R^2}{8\mu} \left[ \frac{(1-K^4)}{(1-K^2)} - \frac{(1-K^2)}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \right]$$

(9)

From equation (8)

$$u_{max} = -\frac{17R^2}{4\mu} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(1-K^2)}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} + \frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \ln \left[ \frac{1-K^2}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right\}$$

The ratio is

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_{max}} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \frac{\frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} - \frac{1-K^4}{1-K^2}}{\frac{1-K^2}{2 \ln \frac{1}{K}} - 1 - \frac{1-K^2}{\ln(\frac{1}{K})} \ln \left( \frac{1-K^2}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\}$$

(10)

$$\frac{(1-K^2)}{2 \ln(\frac{1}{K})} = \frac{1-0.4^2}{2 \ln(2.5)} = 0.4584$$

$$\frac{\bar{u}}{u_{max}} = \frac{0.4584 - \frac{(1-0.4^4)}{2(1-0.4^2)}}{0.4584 - 1 - 0.4584 \ln 0.4584}$$

$$= 0.6608$$

$$\bar{u} = 0.6608 u_{max}$$

