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The Reynolds number is a dimensionless quantity that plays an important role in characterizing fluid flow phenomena. Within the context of viscous flow through pipes, the Reynolds number, Re , is defined as

$$Re = \frac{\rho v D}{\mu} = \frac{v D}{\nu}$$

where ρ is the fluid density, v is the mean fluid velocity, D is the pipe diameter, and μ is the fluid viscosity.

- a. Compute Re for water flowing through a 3 mm diameter tube, if the mean velocity is 3 m/s and the fluid temperature is 30°C.

for water at 30°C (from Table A.1 in mott)

$$\rho = 996 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad \mu = 8.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}\cdot\text{s/m}^2$$

also
Crowe Table A.5
Hibbelen App A

$$\therefore Re = \frac{(996 \text{ kg/m}^3)(3 \text{ m/s})(3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m})}{8.00 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}\cdot\text{s/m}^2}$$

note
 $\text{N}\cdot\text{s} = \frac{\text{kg}\cdot\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

Turbulent flow

$$Re_{H_2O} = 11205 \quad (\text{dimensionless})$$

- b. Recompute Re for air as the working fluid in Part a. Assume standard atmospheric pressure.

for air at 30°C (from Table E.1 in mott)

$$\rho = 1.164 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad \mu = 1.86 \times 10^{-5} \text{ N}\cdot\text{s/m}^2$$

Crowe Table A.5

$$\therefore Re = \frac{(1.164)(3)(3 \times 10^{-3})}{1.86 \times 10^{-5}}$$

$$\rho = 1.17 \text{ kg/m}^3 \Rightarrow Re = 566 \text{ close enough}$$

laminar flow

$$Re_{air} = 563 \quad (\text{dimensionless})$$

could also use the kinematic viscosity
 $\nu_w = 0.804 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s} \quad \nu_{air} = 16.0 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$$

factor of 20 - OK

important quantity

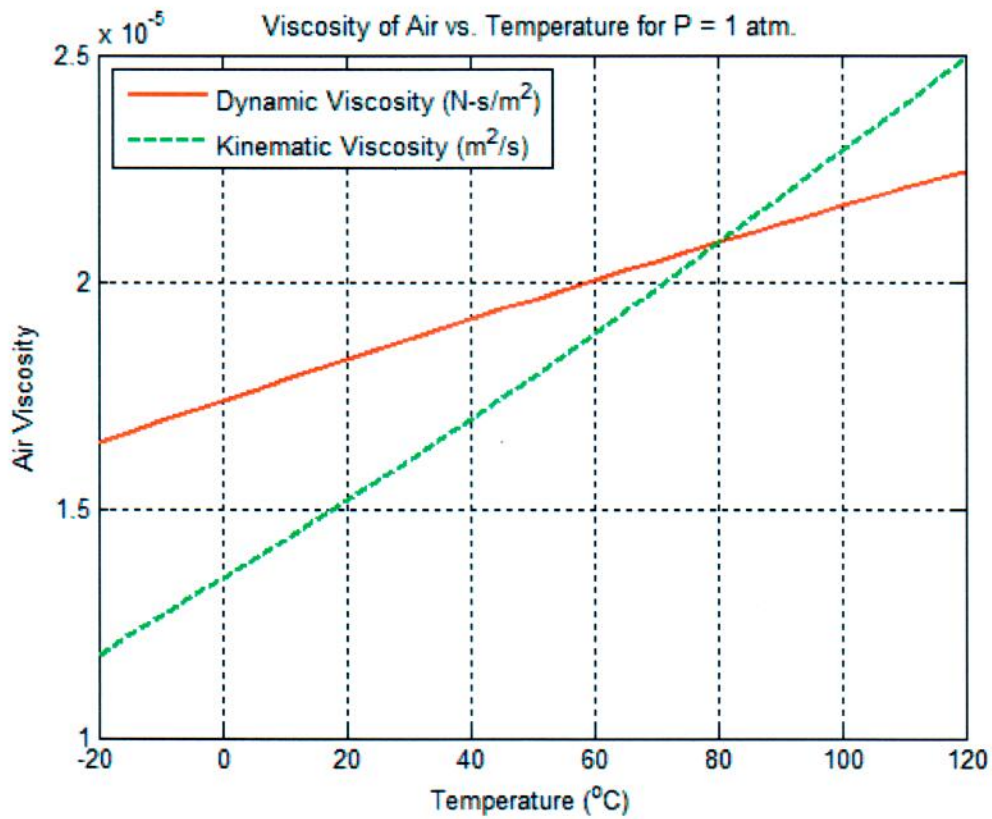
Temperature: $T (^{\circ}\text{K}) = T (^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273$

Sutherland Eqn.: $\mu(T) = \frac{a_1 T^{3/2}}{T + a_2}$ with $a_1 = 1.357 \times 10^{-6} \text{ N-s/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}^{1/2}$ and $a_2 = 78.84 \text{ K}$

Ideal Gas Law: $P = \rho RT$ or $\rho = \frac{P}{RT}$

where $P = 101.3 \times 10^3 \text{ N/m}^2$ and $R = 286.9 \text{ N-m/kg-K}$ for air

Kinematic Viscosity: $\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$



Validation Check:

Temperature (°C)	Dynamic Viscosity (N-s/m ²)		Kinematic Viscosity (m ² /s)	
	Sutherland Eqn.	Hibbeler Text	Sutherland Eqn.	Hibbeler Text
0	17.4×10^{-6}	17.2×10^{-6}	13.5×10^{-6}	13.3×10^{-6}
100	21.6×10^{-6}	21.7×10^{-6}	22.9×10^{-6}	23.0×10^{-6}

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% VISCOSITY_AIR.M Evaluate and plot the viscosity of air vs temperature
%
% This file evaluates and plots the dynamic and kinematic viscosity of air versus
% temperature for atmospheric pressure.
%
% File prepared by J. R. White, UMass-Lowell (Jan. 2017)
%

clear all; close all; nfig = 0;

%
% define problem parameters
a1 = 1.357e-6; % constant in Sutherland's eqn. for air (N-s/m^2-K^(1/2))
a2 = 78.84; % constant in Sutherland's eqn. for air (K)
R = 286.5; % gas constant for air (N-m/kg-K)
P = 101.3e3; % atmospheric pressure (N/m^2)

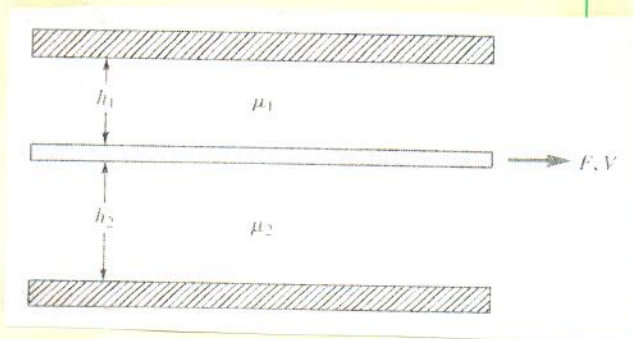
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% set temperature range
Tc = linspace(-20,120,29); Tk = Tc + 273;

%
% compute quantities of interest
mu = a1*Tk.^(3/2)./(Tk + a2); % dyn. viscosity via Sutherland's eqn (N-s/m^2)
rho = P./(R*Tk); % density via ideal gas law (kg/m^3)
nu = mu./rho; % kinematic viscosity (m^2/s)

%
% now plot mu(T) and nu(T)
nfig = nfig+1; figure(nfig)
plot(Tc,mu,'r-',Tc,nu,'g--','LineWidth',2),grid
title('Viscosity of Air vs. Temperature for P = 1 atm.')
xlabel('Temperature (^oC)'),ylabel('Air Viscosity')
legend('Dynamic Viscosity (N-s/m^2)','Kinematic Viscosity (m^2/s)', ...
'Location','NorthWest')

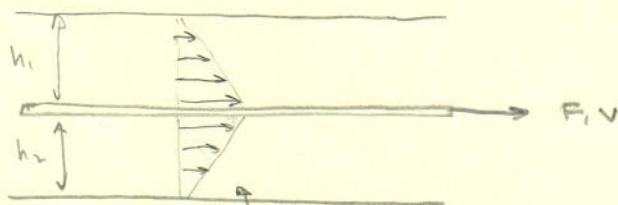
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% end of problem
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1.48) A thin plate is separated from two fixed plates by very viscous liquids, μ_1 and μ_2 , respectively (see sketch). The plate spacings, h_1 and h_2 , may be unequal. The contact area between the center plate and each fluid is A .



(a) Assuming a linear velocity distribution in each fluid, derive an expression for the force, F , required to pull the plate at velocity, V .

The basic geometry is as follows



- linear velocity profiles with velocity V at central plate and zero velocity at fixed plates
- note that the slopes may be different since the gap widths, h_1 and h_2 , can differ.

At equilibrium (for const V), the force F is balanced by the friction force along the two sides of the central plate.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \tau_1 A + \tau_2 A \\ &= \mu_1 \frac{dv_1}{dy} A + \mu_2 \frac{dv_2}{dy} A \\ &= \mu_1 \frac{V}{h_1} A + \mu_2 \frac{V}{h_2} A \end{aligned}$$

but because the velocity profile is linear

$$\frac{dv_i}{dy} = \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta y} = \frac{V}{h_i}$$

$$\therefore F = VA \left(\frac{\mu_1}{h_1} + \frac{\mu_2}{h_2} \right)$$

b) for a specific situation

$h_1 = 6 \text{ mm}$ and $h_2 = 4 \text{ mm}$

and $\mu_1 = 0.04 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{m}^2}$ $\mu_2 = 0.08 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{m}^2}$

and plate area = $A = 1.2 \text{ m}^2$

determine the force needed to move the plate with $v = 1 \text{ cm/s}$

$$F = vA \left(\frac{\mu_1}{h_1} + \frac{\mu_2}{h_2} \right)$$

$$\text{or } F = \left(0.01 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \right) \left(1.2 \text{ m}^2 \right) \left(\frac{0.04 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{m}^2}}{0.006 \text{ m}} + \frac{0.08}{0.004} \right)$$

$$= 0.012 (6.667 + 20) \text{ N}$$

$$= \boxed{0.320 \text{ N}} \times \frac{116 \text{ f}}{4.448 \text{ N}} = \boxed{0.0719 \text{ lbf}}$$

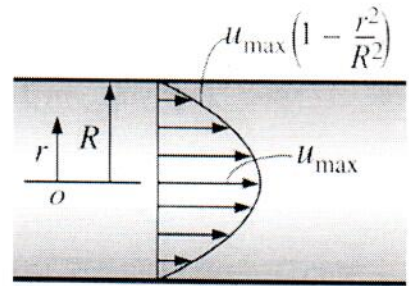
↑
pretty small force

Note

This is a small force. The force needed is proportional to the speed, v , and to the surface area, A . Thus, if these increase considerably, then much larger forces are needed to overcome the friction force.

Friction Drag for
 Laminar Pipe Flow

In regions far from the entrance, fluid flow through a circular pipe is one-dimensional, and the velocity profile for laminar flow is given by $u(r) = u_{\max}(1 - r^2/R^2)$, where R is the radius of the pipe, r is the radial distance from the center, and u_{\max} is the maximum flow velocity, which occurs at the center of the pipe (see sketch).



- Obtain a relation for the drag force applied by the fluid on a section of pipe of length L .
- Determine the value of the drag force for water flow at 20 C with $R = 0.08$ m, $L = 15$ m, $u_{\max} = 3$ m/s and $\mu = 0.0010$ N-s/m².

(a) Since water is a Newtonian fluid

$$\tau_w = -\mu \left. \frac{du}{dr} \right|_{r=R}$$

← shear stress at wall

{ negative sign indicates that the shear stress is opposite to direction of u

and

$$F_D = \tau_w (\text{wall area}) = \tau_w (2\pi R L)$$

$$\therefore F_D = -2\pi R L \mu \left. \frac{du}{dr} \right|_{r=R}$$

← surface area of cylinder

← desired drag force

Now given that, for laminar flow, we have

$$u(r) = u_{\max} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right)$$

$$\left. \frac{du}{dr} \right|_{r=R} = u_{\max} \left(-\frac{2r}{R^2} \right) \Big|_{r=R} = -\frac{2u_{\max}}{R}$$

$$\therefore F_D = 4\pi L \mu u_{\max}$$

(b) For the parameters given,

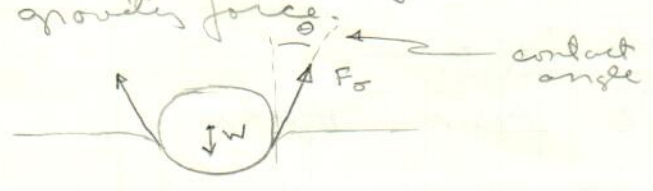
$$F_D = 4\pi (15 \text{ m}) \left(0.0010 \frac{\text{N}\cdot\text{s}}{\text{m}^2} \right) (3 \text{ m/s})$$

$$F_D = 0.565 \text{ N} \times \frac{1 \text{ lbf}}{4.448 \text{ N}} = 0.127 \text{ lbf}$$

↑
 ans

relatively small
 but important...

1.69) A solid cylindrical needle of diameter D , length L , and density ρ may float on a liquid of surface tension σ . Neglecting buoyancy effects, derive a formula for the maximum diameter needle able to float on the liquid. Hint: simply compare the upward surface tension force with the downward gravity force.



$$W = \text{weight needle} = \rho \underbrace{\frac{\pi D^2 L}{4}}_{\text{volume}} g = \underbrace{m}_{\text{mass}} g$$

$$F_{\sigma} = 2 \sigma L \quad \leftarrow \text{assume } L \gg D$$

\uparrow two sides \uparrow force per unit length \uparrow length of needle

∴ comparing the vertical components

$$2 \sigma L \cos \theta \geq \rho \frac{\pi}{4} D^2 L g$$

Surface Tension must be greater than weight for needle to "float"

$$\text{or } \boxed{D \leq \sqrt{\frac{8 \sigma \cos \theta}{\pi \rho g}}} \quad \text{ans}$$

(b) Determine D_{max} for a steel needle ($\rho = 7.84$) and water at 20°C . Does your result appear reasonable? Assume a contact angle of 0 degrees.

from Mat. Table 1.5 and Wikipedia

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{water } 20^{\circ}\text{C}} &= 72.8 \frac{\text{mN}}{\text{m}} \\ &= 0.073 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}} = 0.073 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\text{max}} &= \sqrt{\frac{8 (0.073 \text{ kg/s}^2)}{\pi (7.84) (1000 \text{ kg/m}^3) (9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)}} \\ &= 1.555 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m} \\ &= \boxed{1.56 \text{ mm}} \quad \text{ans} \end{aligned}$$

{ quite small (as expected) }

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