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## The Study of a Laminar Non-Stationary Gravific Flow of a Viscous Fluid Between Non-Axial Cylinders

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### Abstract

This paper deals with the study of laminar non-stationary flow of a viscous fluid between non-axial cylinders. We are using the mediation method in Navier-Stokes equation. The problem is reduced to a stationary one for which the conform domain transformation in a circular corona can be applied. For this problem, the solution is determined by using the variables separation method. The flow is accepted for different forms of the pressure gradient  $\left(\frac{\partial p}{\partial z}\right)$ : linear, exponential study and stability analysis

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## 1 The non-stationary case study

We are considering the non-stationary movement of a viscous incompressible fluid between two non-axial cylinders, see figure 1. The equations of the viscous fluid's laminar movement given by Navier-Stokes, in which are considered the gravic force and the difference of a constant pressure generated by a certain pump,  $\frac{\partial p}{\partial z} = -f(t) \equiv k$ , are:

$$\nu \left[ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial \theta^2} \right] = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\rho} \left[ \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \rho g \sin \alpha \right] \quad (1)$$

The initial and boundary conditions are:

$$\begin{cases} w(r, \theta, t = 0) = 0 \\ w(r, \theta, t)_C = w(r, \theta, t)_\gamma = 0 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

wher  $C$  and  $\gamma$  are the contours of circles.

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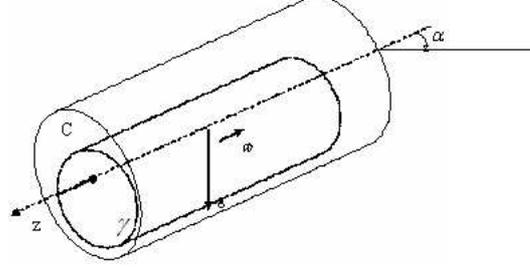


Figure 1: Two non-axial cylinders between which the viscous fluid flows with laminar speed  $w$

The flow is ensured by the incline plane and by the pump.

We are using the averaging method Slezkin-Targ [5]:

$$W(t) = \frac{1}{A_D} \int \int_D \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} dx dy \quad (3)$$

We introduce (3) in (1) and obtain:

$$\frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial \theta^2} = G(t) \quad (4)$$

where  $G(t) = \frac{1}{\nu} \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\rho \nu} \left[ \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \rho g \sin \alpha \right]$ , considering  $\rho \nu = \mu$ , where  $\rho$  is the fluid density,  $\mu$  the dynamic viscosity, and  $\nu$  the kinematic viscosity.

We apply the averaging over  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t}$  term and obtain:

$$G(t) = \frac{1}{\nu} \frac{\partial W}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{\mu} \left[ \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \rho g \sin \alpha \right] \quad (5)$$

We wish to eliminate  $G(t)$  in order to obtain  $\Delta w = 0$ . Given the following substitution:

$$w = v + \frac{G(t)}{2} r^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad (6)$$

By replacing in (4) the partial derivatives we obtain the homogeneous equation in  $v$

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial \theta^2} = 0 \quad (7)$$

The boundary conditions (2) become:

$$v_\gamma = -\frac{G(t)}{2} r^2 \sin^2 \theta; v_C = -\frac{G(t)}{2} r^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad (8)$$

In the initial portrait of the two cylinders see figure 2,  $C(O_1, r_1), C(O_2, r_2)$ ,  $r_1 < r_2$  we say that  $OO_1 = d$ .

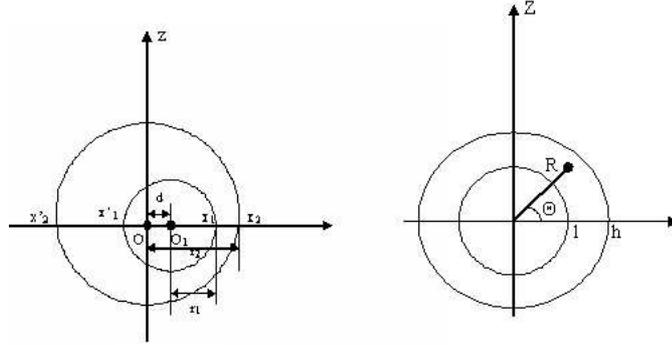


Figure 2: The portrait of the two non-axial cylinders

Due to the fact that the cylinders are non-axial we have to apply a homographic conformable mapping in order to obtain concentric cylinders [2]:

$$Z = \frac{Mz + N}{Pz + Q} = Re^{i\Theta} \quad (9)$$

After applying the conformable mapping the cylinders become axial, so that  $C(O_1, r_1) \rightarrow C(O, 1)$  și  $C(O_2, r_2) \rightarrow C(O, h)$ . In order to ease the calculus we are going to make the following notations:

$$Z = \frac{(A+1)z - (x'_1 A + x_1)}{(A-1)z - (x'_1 A - x_1)}, A = \sqrt{\frac{r_2^2 - (d+r_1)^2}{r_2^2 - (d-r_1)^2}}$$

$$h = \frac{1 + \sqrt{\Delta}}{1 - \sqrt{\Delta}}, \Delta = \frac{(r_2 - r_1)^2 - d^2}{(r_2 + r_1)^2 - d^2}$$

We switch to polar coordinates in order to obtain the  $r^2 \sin^2 \theta$  product. We get the following result for  $y^2$ :

$$y_{(1,2)}^2 = \frac{R^2 \sin^2 \Theta [2A(r_1 + d) - 2A(r_1 - d)]^2}{[(A-1)^2 R^2 - 2(A^2 - 1)R \cos \Theta + (A+1)^2]^2} = F_{(1,2)}(\Theta)$$

which becomes:

$$y_{(1,2)}^2 = \begin{cases} F_1(\Theta), R = 1 \\ F_2(\Theta), R = h \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

Therefore:

$$F_1(\Theta) = \frac{16 \sin^2 \Theta d^2 A^2}{[(A-1)^2 - 2(A^2 - 1) \cos \Theta + (A+1)^2]^2}$$

$$F_2(\Theta) = \frac{16h^2 \sin^2 \Theta d^2 A^2}{(A-1)^2 h^2 - 2(A^2-1)h \cos \theta + (A+1)^2}^2$$

Trough the conformable mapping the equation (7) becomes:

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial R^2} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial v}{\partial R} + \frac{1}{R^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} = 0 \quad (11)$$

wich allows as a particular solution

$$v_o = a \ln R + b \quad (12)$$

We use the variable separation method and search for a  $v$  of the following form:  $v = X(R)Y(\Theta)$ . By replacing  $v$  in (11) we get:

$$R^2 \frac{X''}{X} + R \frac{X'}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} = 0 \Leftrightarrow R^2 \frac{X''}{X} + R \frac{X'}{X} = -\frac{Y''}{Y} = -\lambda^2$$

We obtain the equation:  $Y'' + \lambda^2 Y = 0$  having  $Y = C_1 \cos(\lambda\Theta)$  as solution due to the parity  $v(\Theta) = v(-\Theta)$ . For the Euler equation  $R^2 X'' + R X' - \lambda^2 X = 0$  with the solution:  $\tilde{X} = R^n$  we find  $\lambda = \pm n$ . This way is obtain the general solution for (11)

$$v = -\frac{G}{2} \left[ a \ln R + b + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [a_n R^n + b_n R^{-n}] \cos n\Theta \right] \quad (13)$$

With the help of the conditions (8) in order to determine the Fourier coefficients that are part of the solution (13), we get:

$$\begin{cases} F_1(\Theta) = b + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n) \cos n\Theta \\ F_2(\Theta) = a \ln h + b + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n h^n + b_n h^{-n}) \cos n\Theta \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

implying the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} F_1(\Theta) d\Theta, \quad a_n + b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} F_1(\Theta) \cos n\Theta d\Theta, \\ a_n h^n + b_n h^{-n} &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} F_2(\Theta) \cos n\Theta d\Theta, \quad a \ln h + b = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} F_2(\Theta) d\Theta \end{aligned}$$

with the help of which we find the coefficients  $a, b, a_n, b_n$ . Going back to  $w = v + \frac{G}{2} r^2 \sin^2 \theta$ , the moving speed of the viscous fluid between the two cylinders will be:

$$w = -\frac{G}{2} \left[ a \ln R + b + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n R^n + b_n R^{-n}) \cos n\Theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right] \quad (15)$$

In order to determine the solution for (15) we are using the averaging:

$$W(t) = \frac{1}{A_D} \int \int_D \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} dx dy = \frac{1}{A_D} \int \int_D \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial t} dx dy + \frac{r^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2A_D} \int \int_D \frac{\partial G}{\partial t} dx dy \quad (16)$$

To simplify we introduce the following notation:

$$E = -\frac{1}{2} \int \int_D (v_0 - r^2 \sin^2 \theta) J dX dY \quad (17)$$

Therefore the equation (16) becomes

$$W = -\frac{W'}{A_D} E \quad (18)$$

with the solution given by  $W = C e^{-\frac{A_D}{E} t}$ . We place the initial conditions and get  $W(0) = C$ . In order to determine the constant we go back to (5) in which  $G(0) = 0$ . In this context we obtain  $C = \nu \mu [f(0) - \rho g \sin \alpha]$ . The solution for equation (18) is therefore

$$W(t) = \nu \mu [f(0) - \rho g \sin \alpha] e^{-\frac{A_D}{E} t} \quad (19)$$

and the term  $G(t)$  will have the following form:

$$G(t) = \mu [f(0) - \rho g \sin \alpha] e^{-\frac{A_D}{E} t} + \frac{1}{\mu} [-f(t) - \rho g \sin \alpha] \quad (20)$$

In these circumstances the solution for equation (15) can be determined directly and represents the solution for the non-stationary case problem. . It can be observed that if  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $G(t) \equiv \frac{1}{\mu} [-f(t) - \rho g \sin \alpha]$  the solution is stabilizing.

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## 2 The stationary case study

We rely on same demonstrations as for the non-stationary case and we'll consider the equation (1) but in which the time dependent term is missing. So, the equation that is designated to be solved is:

$$\nu \left[ \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial \theta^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\rho} \left[ \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - \rho g \sin \alpha \right] \quad (21)$$

which is equivalent to the equation  $\Delta w = \frac{K}{\mu}$  using the substitution  $K = \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} - g \sin \alpha$ . Therefore, the particular solution of (21) will be:

$$w_p = \frac{K}{2\mu} r^2 \quad (22)$$

We perform the function substitution  $w - w_p = W$  from which we get  $\Delta W = 0$ . By placing the boundary conditions:

$$\begin{cases} w|_C = 0 \Rightarrow W|_C = -w_p|_{R=h} = -\frac{K}{2\mu} h^2 \\ w|_\gamma = 0 \Rightarrow W|_\gamma = -w_p|_{R=1} = -\frac{K}{2\mu} \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

the equation (21) in the new unknown function becomes:

$$\frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial W}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial \theta^2} = 0 \quad (24)$$

Looking for a solution of the following type  $W = X(r)Y(\theta)$  we get:  $Y = C \cos \lambda \theta$ ,  $X = r^n$ , from which derives that  $\lambda = \pm n$ . Therefore, the equation's solution will be:

$$W = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n r^n + b_n r^{-n}) \cos n\theta \quad (25)$$

We set the boundary conditions (23) in order to determine the coefficients that are part of  $W$ . Therefore:

$$\begin{cases} a_n h^n + b_n h^{-n} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi -\frac{K}{2\mu} h^2 \cos n\theta d\theta \\ a_n + b_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi -\frac{K}{2\mu} \cos n\theta d\theta \end{cases} \quad (26)$$

We get the solution of the problem for the stationary case:

$$w = \frac{K}{2\mu} r^2 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n r^n + b_n r^{-n}) \cos n\theta \quad (27)$$

### 2.1 Conclusions

1.  $k = 0$ , the flow will be gravic with the factor  $-g \sin \alpha$  in the solution (24)
2.  $\alpha = 0$ , in this situation only the pump acts over the installation and we have  $K = \frac{\partial p}{\partial z}$ , only the  $k$  factor is present in the solution

3.  $K = \alpha = 0$ , this case is not possible because the solution will be null.

These conclusions are the cases that stabilize the non-stationary solution (15) when  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . By following the solution determination effective numerical calculus can be made also to determine the debit  $Q = \int_S \rho \cdot \vec{v} \cdot \vec{n} dA$ . The mass and heat problem can be treated in the future.

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