

Suspensions of non-spherical particles

Consider an arbitrarily-shaped body in a linear flow: $\underline{u}(x) = \underline{u}^{(\infty)} + x \cdot \nabla \underline{u}$ (No $\frac{a^2}{6} \nabla^2$ -type finite size corrections.)

Generalizing the Faxen relations gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \underline{F} \\ \underline{T} \\ \underline{S} \end{pmatrix} = \mu \begin{pmatrix} \underline{A} & \underline{B} & \underline{G} \\ \underline{B}^T & \underline{C} & \underline{H} \\ \underline{G} & \underline{H} & \underline{M} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U} \\ \underline{\Omega}^\infty - \underline{\Omega} \\ \underline{E}^\infty \end{pmatrix}$$

$\underline{U}^\infty, \underline{\Omega}^\infty, \underline{E}^\infty$ are velocity, angular velocity $\underline{\Omega}^\infty = \frac{1}{2} \underline{\omega}^\infty$, and strain rate in the linear flow away from the body. The particle translates with velocity \underline{U} and rotates with angular velocity $\underline{\Omega}$.

This big 3×3 block matrix is the resistance matrix. It is block diagonal for spheres, but not in general (extra blue terms).

The reciprocal theorem imposes some symmetries:

$$\underline{A} = \underline{A}^T, \quad \underline{C} = \underline{C}^T, \quad M_{ijkl} = Mkl_{ij}$$

$$G_{ijk} = \tilde{G}_{kij}$$

$$H_{ijk} = \tilde{H}_{kij}$$

For example, the torque is

$$\underline{T} = \mu \left(\underline{B}_{ij} (U_j^\infty - U_j) + \tilde{C}_{ij} (\Omega_j^\infty - \Omega_j) + \tilde{H}_{ijk} E_{jk} \right)$$

It depends on translation & strain as well as angular velocity.

Torque about where? We can define a "hydrodynamic centre" \underline{x}_0 so that \underline{B} is symmetric when \underline{T} is the torque about \underline{x}_0 .

How are torques $\underline{T}^{(0)}$ and $\underline{T}^{(1)}$ about centres $\underline{x}^{(0)}$ and $\underline{x}^{(1)}$ related?

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{T}^{(1)} - \underline{T}^{(0)} &= \int_S (\underline{x} - \underline{x}^{(1)}) \times (\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{n}) dS \\ &\quad - \int_S (\underline{x} - \underline{x}^{(0)}) \times (\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{n}) dS \\ &= - \int_S (\underline{x}^{(1)} - \underline{x}^{(0)}) \times (\underline{\sigma} \cdot \underline{n}) dS \\ &= - (\underline{x}^{(1)} - \underline{x}^{(0)}) \times \underline{F} \end{aligned}$$

For pure translation, no rotation or strain, $\underline{F} = \mu \underline{A} (\underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U})$, and

$$\underline{T}^{(i)} = \mu \underline{B}^{(i)} (\underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U}) \text{ for } i=1,2$$

\otimes must hold for arbitrary vectors $\underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U}$

$$\underline{B}_{ij}^{(1)} - \underline{B}_{ij}^{(0)} = - \epsilon_{ikl} (x_k^{(1)} - x_k^{(0)}) A_{lj} \quad \odot$$

Suppose we can choose $\underline{x}^{(0)}$ to make $\underline{B}^{(0)}$ symmetric. Taking the antisymmetric part of \odot then gives

$$\epsilon_{ijk} B_{ij}^{(1)} = (A_{kj} - A_{jk} \delta_{kj}) (x_j^{(0)} - x_j^{(1)})$$

We can now solve for

$$x_j^{(0)} = x_j^{(1)} + \left[(\underline{A} - (\text{Tr } \underline{A}) \underline{I})^{-1} \right]_{jk} \epsilon_{kpq} B_{pq}^{(1)}$$

because \underline{A} is symmetric, hence diagonalizable, with positive eigenvalues because the drag must oppose motion, i.e. $\underline{F} \cdot (\underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U}) \geq 0$ (rate of working)

When diagonalized

$$\underline{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{and } \text{Tr } \underline{A} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3,$$

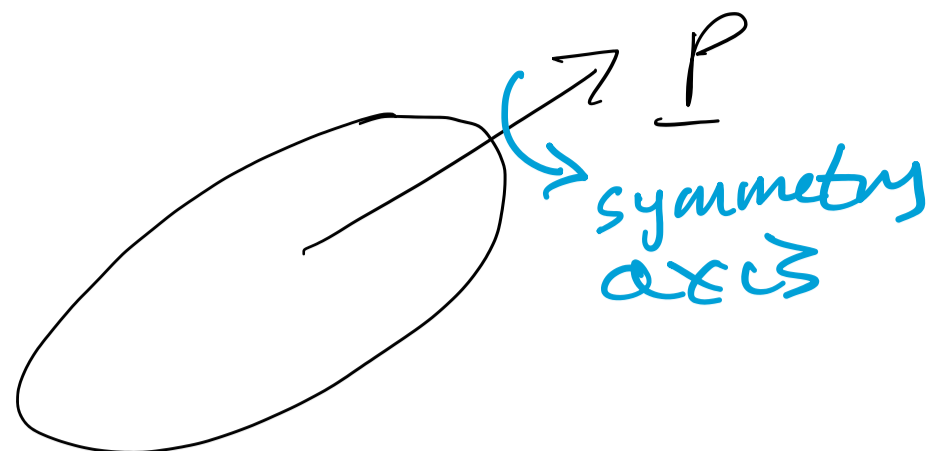
$$\text{so } \underline{A} - (\text{Tr } \underline{A}) \underline{I} = \begin{pmatrix} -\lambda_2 - \lambda_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda_1 - \lambda_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

with no zeros on the diagonal (as all $\lambda_i > 0$).

Now we can check that \odot defines a symmetric $\underline{B}^{(0)}$ for this $\underline{x}^{(0)}$.

Resistance matrix formulation for axisymmetric bodies

Suppose the body is axisymmetric with a symmetry axis \underline{p} (a unit vector).



[We'll see later that what we get is invariant under $\underline{p} \mapsto -\underline{p}$]

Now we can exploit further symmetries, e.g. the force due to pure translation is

$$\underline{F} = \mu (A'' \underline{p} \underline{p} + A^\perp (\underline{I} - \underline{p} \underline{p})) \cdot (\underline{U}^\infty - \underline{U})$$

where $\mu A''$ and μA^\perp are drag coefficients for translations parallel and perpendicular to \underline{p} . For very elongated bodies $A^\perp = 2A''$ so very little benefit from streamlining on Stokes flow.

Similarly,

$$B_{ij} = \gamma^B \epsilon_{ijk} p_k$$

$$C_{ij} = \chi^C p_i p_j + \gamma^C (\delta_{ij} - p_i p_j)$$

$$H_{ijk} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma^H (\epsilon_{ihl} p_j + \epsilon_{jhl} p_i)$$

$$G_{ijk} = \chi^G (p_i p_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij}) p_k$$

$$+ \gamma^G (p_i \delta_{jk} + p_j \delta_{ik} - 2 p_i p_j p_k)$$

where the χ^s and γ^s are scalar coefficients that depend on the body shape.

$\gamma^B = 0$ for torques about the hydrodynamic centre (\underline{R}^{Co} must be symmetric and antisymmetric) so forces & translations decouple from torques & rotations.

A single torque-free axisymmetric body:

$$0 = \underline{T} = \mu \left(\underline{C} (\underline{\Omega}^\infty - \underline{\Omega}) + \underline{H} \underline{E}^\infty \right)$$

The body rotates with angular velocity

$$\underline{\Omega} = \underline{\Omega}^\infty + \underline{C}^{-1} \underline{H} \underline{E}^\infty$$

so that the torque is zero.

The orientation vector \underline{p} evolves according to

$$\dot{\underline{p}} = \underline{\Omega} \times \underline{p}$$

Jeffery's equation (1922)

This maintains $|\underline{p}| = 1$

$$= \underline{\Omega}^\infty \times \underline{p} + \beta (\underline{E}^\infty \cdot \underline{p} - \underline{p} \cdot \underline{E}^\infty \cdot \underline{p} \underline{p})$$

where $\beta = \gamma^H / \gamma^C$ is called the Bretherton parameter (defined for almost all axisymmetric bodies).

For spheroids $\beta = \frac{(a/b)^2 - 1}{(a/b)^2 + 1}$

with semiaxes a & b .