

D. Reciprocal Theorem

Consider 2 Stokes flows $(\underline{u}^{(1)}, \underline{\sigma}^{(1)})$ and $(\underline{u}^{(2)}, \underline{\sigma}^{(2)})$ driven by body forces $\underline{f}^{(1)}$ and $\underline{f}^{(2)}$ and boundary conditions $\underline{u}^{(1)} = \underline{U}^{(1)}$ and $\underline{u}^{(2)} = \underline{U}^{(2)}$ in a volume V .

The rate of working of flow $\underline{u}^{(2)}$ against $\underline{f}^{(1)}$ and $\underline{U}^{(1)}$ equals the rate of working of flow $\underline{u}^{(1)}$ against $\underline{f}^{(2)}$ and $\underline{U}^{(2)}$, so

$$\int_V \underline{f}^{(1)} \cdot \underline{u}^{(2)} dV + \int_{\partial V} \underline{U}^{(2)} \cdot \underline{\sigma}^{(1)} \cdot \underline{n} dS = \int_V \underline{f}^{(2)} \cdot \underline{u}^{(1)} dV + \int_{\partial V} \underline{U}^{(1)} \cdot \underline{\sigma}^{(2)} \cdot \underline{n} dS$$

why \Rightarrow this? The LHS \Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_V f_j^{(1)} u_j^{(2)} + \partial_i (\sigma_{ij}^{(1)} u_j^{(2)}) dV \\ &= \int_V \left(f_j^{(1)} + \partial_i \sigma_{ij}^{(1)} \right) u_j^{(2)} + \sigma_{ij}^{(1)} \partial_i u_j^{(2)} dV \\ &= \underline{f}^{(1)} + \nabla \cdot \underline{\sigma}^{(1)} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_V \sigma_{ij}^{(1)} e_{ij}^{(2)} dV$$

$$= 2\mu \int_V e_{ij}^{(1)} e_{ij}^{(2)} dV$$

which \Rightarrow symmetric between flow (1) and flow (2).

This \Rightarrow the earlier dissipation result of flow (1) = flow (2).

The reciprocal theorem \Rightarrow the Stokes flow analogue of Green's theorem:

$$\int_V \phi \nabla^2 \psi - \psi \nabla^2 \phi dV = \int_{\partial V} \phi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} - \psi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} dS$$

rewritten as

$$\int_V \phi \nabla^2 \psi dV - \int_{\partial V} \phi \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial n} dS$$

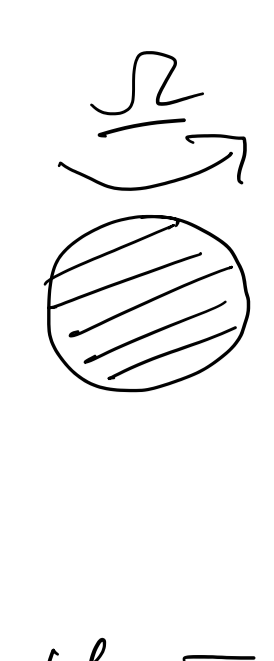
$$= \int_V \psi \nabla^2 \phi dV - \int_{\partial V} \psi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} dS$$

$$= - \int_V \nabla \psi \cdot \nabla \phi dV$$

which \Rightarrow symmetric in $\psi \Leftrightarrow \phi$

Stokes flow around a single sphere

Sphere of radius a rotating with angular velocity $\underline{\Omega}$ in unbounded fluid.



$\mu \nabla^2 \underline{u} = \nabla p, \quad \nabla \cdot \underline{u} = 0$
 with $\underline{u} = \underline{\Omega} \times \underline{x}$ on $r = a$
 $\underline{u}, p \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$

\Rightarrow divergence $\Rightarrow \nabla^2 p = 0$

The spherically symmetric solution that decays as $r \rightarrow \infty$ is

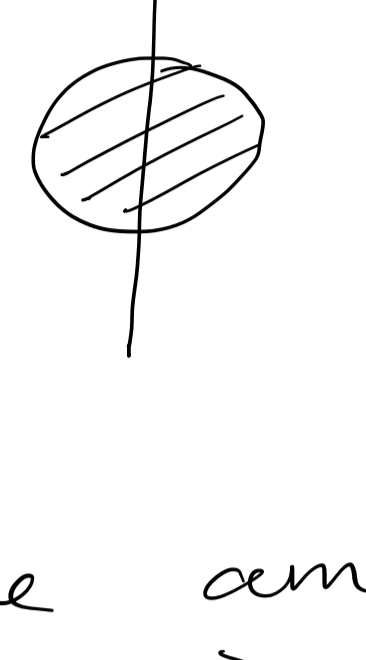
$\varphi^{(1)} = \frac{1}{r}$

Taking spatial derivatives gives the "solid spherical harmonics" that are also solutions of Laplace's equation:

$\varphi_i^{(2)} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{1}{r} \right) = \frac{x_i}{r^3}$
 $\varphi_{ij}^{(2)} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \left(\frac{1}{r} \right) = \frac{\delta_{ij}}{r^3} - 3 \frac{x_i x_j}{r^5}$

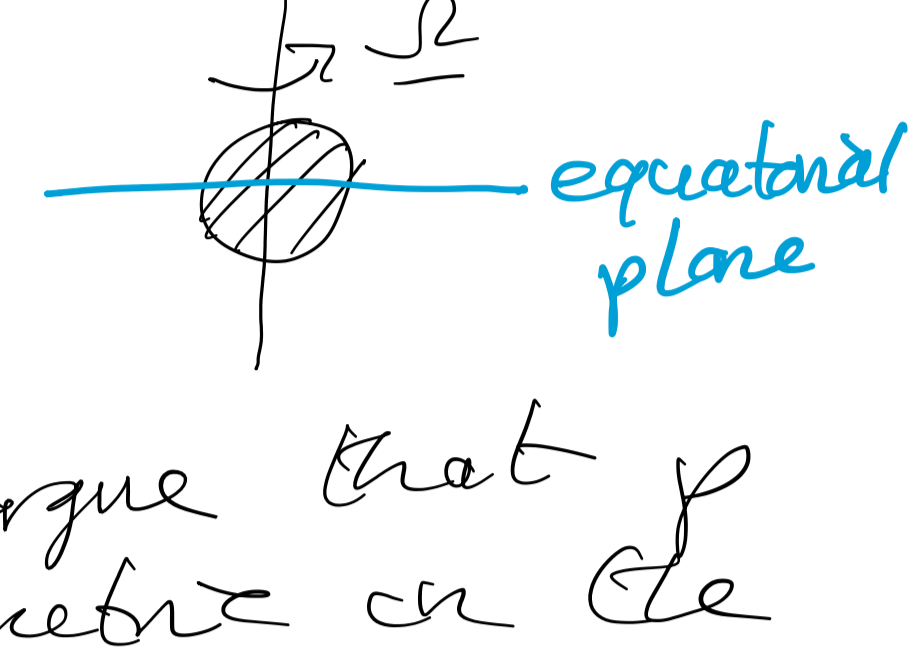
(signs chosen for convenience)
 $\varphi^{(1)}$ is a scalar, $\varphi_i^{(2)}$ is a vector, $\varphi_{ij}^{(2)}$ is a symmetric, traceless tensor.

It looks like we could try $p(\underline{x}) = \lambda \Omega_i \varphi_i^{(2)} = \lambda \frac{\underline{\Omega} \cdot \underline{x}}{r^3}$.



We need a right hand rule to convert the pseudo-vector $\underline{\Omega}$ into a rotation

The ambiguity in the sign convention $\Rightarrow \lambda = 0$



(We could also argue that p should be symmetric on the equatorial plane.)

This leaves $\nabla^2 \underline{u} = 0$ with $\underline{u} \rightarrow 0$ as $r \rightarrow \infty$. A suitable trial solution is

$\underline{u}(\underline{x}) = \lambda \underline{\Omega} \times \left(\frac{\underline{x}}{r^3} \right)$

where the \times product involves the same right hand rule. Choosing λ to fit the BC on $r = a$ gives

$\underline{u}(\underline{x}) = \left(\frac{a}{r} \right)^3 \underline{\Omega} \times \underline{x}, \quad p(\underline{x}) = 0$
 $= O(1/r^2)$

Translation

same problem, but now with $\underline{u} = \underline{U}$ on $r = a$

\underline{U} and \underline{x} are both standard vectors, so p can be

$p(\underline{x}) = \lambda_1 \underline{U} \cdot \frac{\underline{x}}{r^3}$

The velocity \underline{u} satisfies $\mu \nabla^2 \underline{u} = \nabla p, \quad \nabla \cdot \underline{u} = 0$.

Decompose $\underline{u} = \underline{u}^{(p)} + \underline{u}^{(h)}$ into a part driven by ∇p and a harmonic part.

$\underline{u}^{(p)} = \frac{p(\underline{x})}{2\mu} \underline{x}$ satisfies $\mu \nabla^2 \underline{u}^{(p)} = \nabla p$.

The remaining harmonic part $\underline{u}^{(h)}$ must also be linear in \underline{U} so by a linear combination of $\varphi^{(1)}$ and $\varphi^{(2)}$:

$\underline{u}^{(h)} = \lambda_2 \underline{U} \frac{1}{r} + \lambda_3 \underline{U} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r^3} - 3 \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^5} \right)$

Incompressibility $\Rightarrow 0 = \nabla \cdot (\underline{u}^{(p)} + \underline{u}^{(h)}) = \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{2\mu} - \lambda_2 \right) \frac{\underline{U} \cdot \underline{x}}{r^3}$

so $\lambda_2 = \frac{\lambda_1}{2\mu}$

Applying $\underline{u} = \underline{U}$ on $r = a$ gives, with $\underline{x} = a \underline{n}, \underline{n}$ the unit normal,

$\frac{\lambda_1}{2\mu a} \left(\underline{U} + \underline{U} \cdot \underline{n} \underline{n} \right) + \frac{\lambda_3}{a^3} \underline{U} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r^3} - 3 \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^5} \right) = \underline{U}$

coeffs of \underline{U} and coeffs of $\underline{U} \cdot \underline{n} \underline{n}$ determine $\lambda_1 = \frac{3}{2} \mu a, \lambda_3 = \frac{1}{4} a^3$.

The complete solution is

$\underline{u}(\underline{x}) = \frac{3a}{4} \underline{U} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r} + \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^3} \right) + \frac{a^3}{4} \underline{U} \cdot \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r^3} - 3 \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^5} \right)$
 $= \frac{3a}{4} \underline{U} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2} \nabla^2 \right) \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r} + \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^3} \right)$

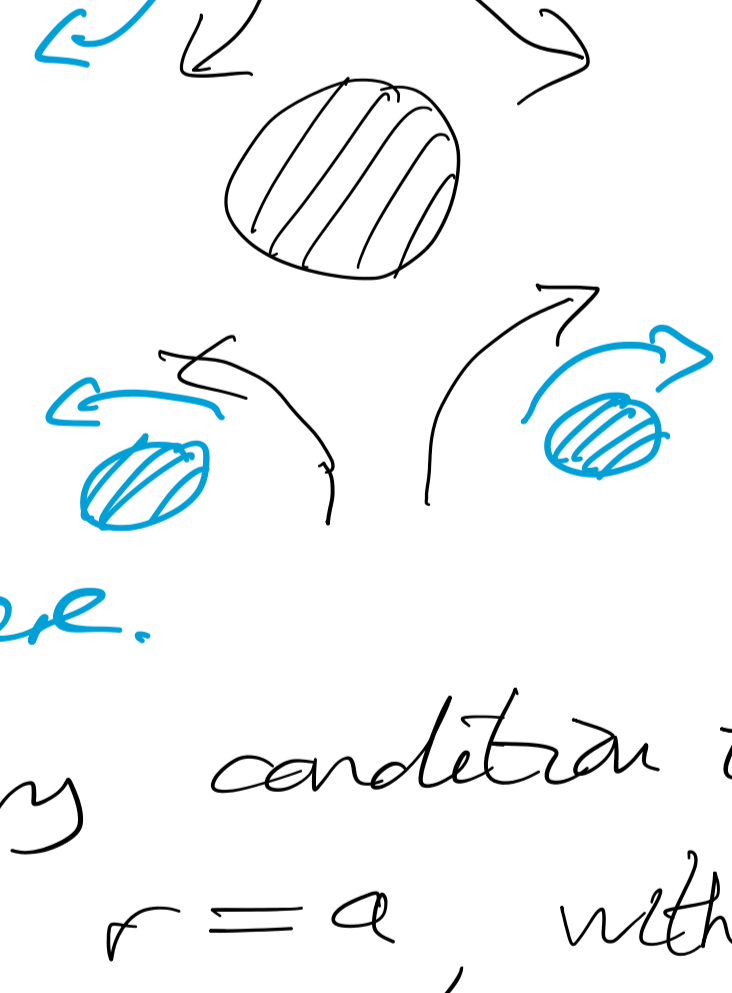
and $p(\underline{x}) = \frac{3}{2} \mu a \underline{U} \cdot \underline{x} \sim 1/r^2$

\underline{u} has a part that decays like $1/r$, and a smaller "finite size" correction that is $O(a^2/r^2)$ smaller.

The response due to a point force, a dipole, comes from taking $a \rightarrow 0$ with $\underline{U} a$ finite.

Strain

Like that created by a 4 roller mill, but still consider unbounded fluid & one sphere.



Change the boundary condition to $\underline{u} = \underline{E} \cdot \underline{x}$ on $r = a$, with \underline{E} a symmetric & traceless constant tensor. (Same properties as $\underline{\underline{e}}$)

For the pressure, try

$p(\underline{x}) = \lambda_0 \underline{E} : \left(\frac{\underline{I}}{r^3} - 3 \frac{\underline{x}\underline{x}}{r^5} \right)$

but $\underline{E} : \underline{I} = \text{Tr } \underline{E} = 0$, leaving

$p(\underline{x}) = \lambda_1 \frac{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{E} \cdot \underline{x}}{r^5}$

As before, $\underline{u}^{(p)} = \frac{p \underline{x}}{2\mu}$ satisfies $\mu \nabla^2 \underline{u}^{(p)} = \nabla p$, and add a harmonic function

$u_i^{(h)} = \lambda_2 E_{ij} \frac{x_j}{r^3} + \lambda_3 E_{jkl} \left(\frac{\delta_{ij} x_k + \delta_{ik} x_j}{r^5} - 5 \frac{x_i x_j x_k}{r^7} \right)$

Incompressibility $\Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 0$, and imposing $\underline{u} = \underline{E} \cdot \underline{x}$ on $r = a$ determines

$\lambda_1 = 5 \mu a^3, \lambda_3 = a^5/2$ so

$u_i = \frac{5}{2} a^3 \frac{x_i x_j x_k}{r^5} E_{jkl} + \frac{1}{2} a^5 \left(\frac{\delta_{ij} x_k + \delta_{ik} x_j}{r^5} - 5 \frac{x_i x_j x_k}{r^7} \right) E_{jkl}$

decays like $O(1/r^2)$ with an $O(a^2/r^2)$ smaller finite-size correction.

$p(\underline{x}) = 5 \mu a^3 \underline{x} \cdot \underline{E} \cdot \underline{x} \sim \frac{1}{r^3}$

We can find the response due to a point stress by taking $a \rightarrow 0$ with $a^3 \underline{E}$ finite.