



Course Syllabus: Fluid Mechanics - ME 200A

Division	Physical Science and Engineering Division
Course Number	ME 200A
Course Title	Fluid Mechanics
Academic Semester	Fall
Academic Year	2018/2019
Semester Start Date	08/26/2018
Semester End Date	12/11/2018
Class Schedule (Days & Time)	04:00 PM - 05:30 PM Sun Wed

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Course Information	
Comprehensive Course Description	<p>This course is an introductory graduate level basic course in Fluid Dynamics. It starts by introducing the continuum hypothesis. Then we introduce surface tension and the boundary conditions at a free surface, in terms of the Young-Laplace equation. We then introduce the capillary length and discuss wetting and the contact line, along with superhydrophobicity and the capillary rise in a small tube. Streamlines and other flow-lines are then described and equation derived to describe them. We then introduce the concept of convective acceleration and the difference between Eulerian and Lagrangian description of the flow. The conservation laws of mass, momentum and energy will be derived using the Reynolds Transport Theorem. In this way we will derive the continuity equation as well as the Navier-Stokes equations. Following this we derive specialized forms, like the Bernoulli equation, the inviscid Euler equations, before finding exact solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations, when the flow is unidirectional. This includes the flow down an inclined plane, the First and Second Stokes problems of a solid plate suddenly moving tangentially. We introduce dimensional analysis using the Buckingham Pi-theorem and show various self-similar phenomena. Other exact solutions are the flow in convergent or divergent channel. We then introduce the velocity potential and the streamfunction. This includes the complex potential and Cauchy-Riemann conditions. Then we give the basic potential flow solutions of source, sink, point vortex, doublet, flow in a sector and the flow around a circular cylinder. Then we calculate the lift on a rotating cylinder and introduce the d'Alembert's paradox and the Blasius drag laws. We mention conformal mappings and the Schwarz-Christoffel transformation. We use potential flow to explain the collapse of cavitation bubbles. Then we derive the vorticity equations, explain the Kelvin's circulation theorem and the Biot-Savart law and apply these to the motion of a vortex ring. Explain the importance of stretching and tilting terms in the vorticity dynamics. We then explain bubble dynamics, oscillations, rising speed under buoyancy, followed by general treatment of waves on a liquid surface. Derive the dispersion relationships for both gravity and capillary waves, in deep and shallow water. Introduce the concepts of phase and group velocities. We also introduce flow in rapidly rotating systems, like Taylor columns and Eckman layers. Finally, we briefly introduce modern experimental techniques used in fluid dynamics, like laser-induced fluorescence, hot-wires, Particle Image Velocimetry.</p>

Course Description from Program Guide	Fundamentals of fluid mechanics. Microscopic and macroscopic properties of liquids and gases; the continuum hypothesis; review of thermodynamics; general equations of motion; kinematics; stresses; constitutive relations; vorticity, circulation; Bernoulli's equation; potential flow; thin-airfoil theory; surface gravity waves; buoyancy-driven flows; rotating flows; viscous creeping flow; viscous boundary layers; introduction to stability and turbulence; quasi one-dimensional compressible flow; shock waves; unsteady compressible flow; acoustics.
Goals and Objectives	Prepare students for advanced understanding of the topic, to prepare them for performing research.
Required Knowledge	Basic concepts of mechanics. Newton's laws of motion. First course on hydrodynamics. Differential calculus.
Reference Texts	Fluid Mechanics. by P.K. Kundu & I. M. Cohen. AP Incompressible flows by R.L. Panton, Wiley
Method of evaluation	10.00% - Attendance and Participation 35.00% - Midterm exam 15.00% - Homework /Assignments 40.00% - Final exam
Nature of the assignments	Weekly homework assignments.
Course Policies	Lecture attendance is mandatory. Midterm and Final exams are closed book/ closed notes.
Additional Information	

Tentative Course Schedule

(Time, topic/emphasis & resources)

Week	Lectures	Topic
1	Sun 08/26/2018	Basics: Continuum hypothesis; Surface tension
1	Wed 08/29/2018	Vector calculus and index notation
2	Sun 09/02/2018	Material derivative; Kinematics; Lagrangian vs Eulerian
2	Wed 09/05/2018	Governing Eq.: Reynolds Transport Theorem; Continuity; Euler equations; Constitutive equation
3	Sun 09/09/2018	Navier-Stokes equation; Boundary conditions
3	Wed 09/12/2018	Dimensional analysis
4	Sun 09/16/2018	Self-similar solutions
4	Wed 09/19/2018	Exact Solutions of N.-S.; Unidirectional flow
5	Sun 09/23/2018	Stagnation point flow
5	Wed 09/26/2018	Stokes first and second problems
6	Sun 09/30/2018	Flow in converging or diverging channel
6	Wed 10/03/2018	Stokes streamfunction for axisymmetric flow
7	Sun 10/07/2018	Bernoulli equation for unsteady flow
7	Wed 10/10/2018	Potential Flow; Kelvin's circulation theorem
8	Sun 10/14/2018	Basic potential solutions, doublet
8	Wed 10/17/2018	Review
9	Sun 10/21/2018	Midterm exam
9	Wed 10/24/2018	Potential flow: Complex potential - Flow in a sector
10	Sun 10/28/2018	Potential flow: Airfoil theory - Sphere impact - Virtual mass - Blasius theorem
10	Wed 10/31/2018	Potential flow: Conformal mapping - Schwarz Christoffel transformation
11	Sun 11/04/2018	Potential flow: Bubble accelerations - Boundary integral methods
11	Wed 11/07/2018	Vortex dynamics: Vorticity equation - Circulation
12	Sun 11/11/2018	Vortex dynamics: Vortex rings - Biot Savart law
12	Wed 11/14/2018	Vortex dynamics: Hill's spherical vortex - Vorticity generation at a free surface - Helicity
13	Sun 11/18/2018	Surface waves: Gravity waves
13	Wed 11/21/2018	Surface waves: Capillary waves - Group velocity - Waves on bubbles
14	Sun 11/25/2018	Rotating flows: Taylor columns - Eckman layers
14	Wed 11/28/2018	Experimental techniques: hot wires - high speed imaging
15	Sun 12/02/2018	Experimental techniques: Particle Image Velocimetry - Laser Induced Fluorescence
15	Wed 12/05/2018	Review
16	Sun 12/09/2018	Final Exam

Note

The instructor reserves the right to make changes to this syllabus as necessary.