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FIRST SEMESTER (Aug./Sep., 2024)

MT 3022 - FLUID DYNAMICS

Answer all questions

Time : Two hours

1. (a) Derive the continuity equation for a fluid flow in the form $\frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \underline{q} = 0$, where ρ and \underline{q} are the density and the velocity of the fluid respectively.

Hence, show that the equation of continuity for an incompressible fluid in Cartesian coordinates reduces to the form $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} = 0$, where u, v and w are the cartesian components of the velocity.

- (b) Show that $\frac{k}{r^5} (3x^2 - r^2, 3xy, 3xz)$, where $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ and k is a constant, represents the velocity field in a possible fluid motion of an incompressible fluid and the motion is irrotational.

Also determine the streamlines.

2. (a) Let a gas occupy the region $r \leq R$, where R is a function of time t , and a liquid of constant density ρ lie outside the gas. If the velocity at $r = R$, the gas liquid boundary, is continuous, then show that the pressure p at a point $P(r, t)$ in the liquid is given by

$$p = \Pi + \rho \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dt} (R^2 \dot{R}) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{R^2 \dot{R}}{r^2} \right)^2 \right],$$

where Π is the pressure at infinity. Here ‘.’ denotes differentiation with respect to t .

- (b) A spherical gas bubble whose center is fixed and whose radius at time t is $a + b \cos \omega t$, where a, b and ω are constants, is surrounded by an infinite mass of liquid of uniform density ρ , on which no body forces act. Prove that the pressure at the surface of the sphere is $\Pi + \frac{1}{4} b \rho \omega^2 [b - 5b \cos 2\omega t - 4a \cos \omega t]$. Find the least value of this pressure.
3. (a) Let a three-dimensional doublet of strength μ be situated at the origin. Show that the velocity potential Φ at a point $P(r, \theta, \phi)$, in spherical polar coordinates, due to the doublet is given by $\Phi = \mu r^{-2} \cos \theta$.
- (b) Three-dimensional doublets of strengths μ_1, μ_2 are situated at A and B whose cartesian coordinates are $(0, 0, a)$ and $(0, 0, b)$, their axes being directed towards and away from the origin, respectively. Show that the condition for no transport of fluid across the surface of sphere $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = ab$ is $\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} = \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^{3/2}$
4. Write down the Bernoulli's equation for steady motion of an incompressible inviscid fluid.

Given that an incompressible inviscid fluid of constant density ρ fills the region of space on the positive side of the x axis, which is a rigid boundary and there be a source of strength m at the point $(0, a)$ and an equal sink at $(0, b)$, where $a > b > 0$. If the pressure on the negative side is the same as the pressure at infinity, show that the resultant pressure on the boundary is $\frac{\pi \rho m^2 (a - b)^2}{2ab(a + b)}$.