



## Quiz III Solution

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1. Newtonian fluids have a linear shear stress-rate of shear strain relation.
2. Fully-developed flow does not depend on the coordinate along the pipe (or channel).
3. The Navier–Stokes equation is derived from Newton’s Second Law.

2 The vorticity of a two-dimensional flow is the  $z$ -direction, with  $\omega = 1 - 2y$ . Shear stress only has the  $\tau_{xy} = \tau_{yx} = \mu(1 - 2y)$  components. The flow is incompressible and the Navier–Stokes equation is

$$\rho \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = \nabla p + \rho \mathbf{g} + \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u}.$$

The  $x$ - and  $y$ -components here become

$$0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} - 2\mu, \quad 0 = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} - \rho g.$$

**This question is wrong: there is an inconsistency between the pressure gradient and the velocity.**

Either the pressure is wrong and should be  $p = -2\mu x + y$ , so that  $\rho g = -1$ . Then the pressure gradient is  $(-2\mu, 1)$  and the velocities of the boundaries are  $u(0) = 0$  and  $u(1) = 0$ . Or the velocity is wrong and should be  $Ay$ . Then the pressure gradient is  $(0, 1)$  and the velocities of the boundaries are  $u(0) = 0$  and  $u(1) = A$ . In both cases gravity acts upward.

3 As in class, we have

$$u = \frac{y^2}{2\mu} \frac{dP}{dx} + \left( Uh - \frac{h^2}{2\mu} \frac{dP}{dx} \right) y.$$

The average velocity is proportional to the volume flux

$$Q = \int_0^y u(y) dy = U \frac{h^2}{2} - \frac{h^2}{12\mu} \frac{dP}{dx}.$$

For this to vanish, we need  $U = (h^2/6\mu)dP/dx$ .

4 Fully-developed, incompressible, steady flow of a Newtonian fluid in a pipe. A force balance on an annular control volume gives

$$r \frac{dP}{dx} = \frac{d}{dr}(r\tau_{rx}).$$

Integrate to give  $\tau_{rx} = (r/2)dP/dx$ , since we can't have a singularity at the axis. The pressure gradient is constant.

Now substitute in the constitutive relation for a Newtonian fluid:

$$\mu \frac{dv_x}{dr} = \frac{r}{2} \frac{dP}{dx}.$$

Integrate twice and use the no-slip boundary condition  $v_x = 0$  at  $r = a$ :

$$v_x = \frac{1}{4\mu} \frac{dP}{dx} (r^2 - a^2).$$

The volume flux is then

$$Q = \int_0^a v_x 2\pi r dr = \frac{\pi a^4}{8\mu} \frac{dP}{dx}.$$

The Hagen–Poiseuille law is this relationship, reexpressed in terms of the diameter  $D$  of the pipe and the pressure drop  $\Delta P$  per length  $L$ :

$$\Delta P = \frac{128\mu Q}{\pi D^4}.$$