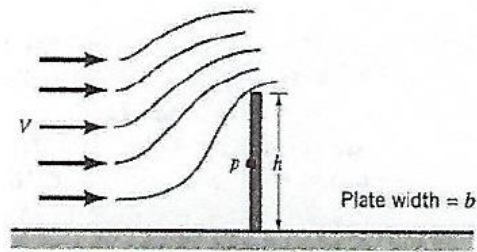


The exam is closed book and closed notes.

When a fluid flows slowly past a vertical plate of height  $h$  and width  $b$ , pressure develops on the face of the plate. Assume that the pressure,  $p$ , at the midpoint of the plate is a function of plate height and width, the approach velocity  $V$ , and the fluid viscosity  $\mu$  and fluid density  $\rho$ . Find the dimensionless parameters.



Quantity	Symbol	Dimensions	
		$MLT\Theta$	$FLT\Theta$
Length	$L$	$L$	$L$
Area	$A$	$L^2$	$L^2$
Volume	$\mathcal{V}$	$L^3$	$L^3$
Velocity	$V$	$LT^{-1}$	$LT^{-1}$
Acceleration	$dV/dt$	$LT^{-2}$	$LT^{-2}$
Speed of sound	$a$	$LT^{-1}$	$LT^{-1}$
Volume flow	$Q$	$L^3T^{-1}$	$L^3T^{-1}$
Mass flow	$\dot{m}$	$MT^{-1}$	$FTL^{-1}$
Pressure, stress	$p, \sigma, \tau$	$ML^{-1}T^{-2}$	$FL^{-2}$
Strain rate	$\dot{\epsilon}$	$T^{-1}$	$T^{-1}$
Angle	$\theta$	None	None
Angular velocity	$\omega, \Omega$	$T^{-1}$	$T^{-1}$
Viscosity	$\mu$	$ML^{-1}T^{-1}$	$FTL^{-2}$
Kinematic viscosity	$\nu$	$L^2T^{-1}$	$L^2T^{-1}$
Surface tension	$\Upsilon$	$MT^{-2}$	$FL^{-1}$
Force	$F$	$MLT^{-2}$	$F$
Moment, torque	$M$	$ML^2T^{-2}$	$FL$
Power	$P$	$ML^2T^{-3}$	$FLT^{-1}$
Work, energy	$W, E$	$ML^2T^{-2}$	$FL$
Density	$\rho$	$ML^{-3}$	$FT^2L^{-4}$
Temperature	$T$	$\Theta$	$\Theta$
Specific heat	$c_p, c_v$	$L^2T^{-2}\Theta^{-1}$	$L^2T^{-2}\Theta^{-1}$
Specific weight	$\gamma$	$ML^{-2}T^{-2}$	$FL^{-3}$
Thermal conductivity	$k$	$MLT^{-3}\Theta^{-1}$	$FT^{-1}\Theta^{-1}$
Thermal expansion coefficient	$\beta$	$\Theta^{-1}$	$\Theta^{-1}$

**Solution:**

KNOWN: dimensional parameters

FIND: Pi groups

ASSUMPTIONS: the problem is only a function of the given dimensional variables

ANALYSIS:

$$p = f(h, b, V, \mu, \rho)$$

$$n = 6 \quad (3)$$

$$p = \{ML^{-1}T^{-2}\}; \quad h = \{L\}; \quad b = \{L\}; \quad (1)$$

$$V = \{LT^{-1}\}; \quad \mu = \{ML^{-1}T^{-1}\}; \quad \rho = \{ML^{-3}\};$$

$$j = 3 \rightarrow k = n - j = 6 - 3 = 3 \quad (2)$$

The repeating variables are  $b, V, \rho$  adding each remaining variable in turn, we find the Pi groups:

$$\Pi_0 = b^a V^b \rho^c p = \{(L)^a (LT^{-1})^b (ML^{-3})^c (ML^{-1}T^{-2})\} = \{M^0 L^0 T^0\} \quad (1)$$

$$a = 0, \quad b = -2, \quad c = -1$$

$$\Pi_0 = \frac{p}{V^2 \rho} \quad (0.5)$$

$$\Pi_1 = b^a V^b \rho^c h = \{(L)^a (LT^{-1})^b (ML^{-3})^c (L)\} = \{M^0 L^0 T^0\} \quad (0.5)$$

$$a = -1, \quad b = 0, \quad c = 0$$

$$\Pi_1 = \frac{h}{b} \quad (0.5)$$

$$\Pi_2 = b^a V^b \rho^c \mu = \{(L)^a (LT^{-1})^b (ML^{-3})^c (ML^{-1}T^{-1})\} = \{M^0 L^0 T^0\} \quad (1)$$

$$a = -1, \quad b = -1, \quad c = -1$$

$$\Pi_2 = \frac{\mu}{\rho b V} \rightarrow \frac{\rho V b}{\mu} = Re \quad (0.5)$$

Thus the arrangement of the dimensionless variables is:  $\Pi_0 = f(\Pi_1, \Pi_2)$