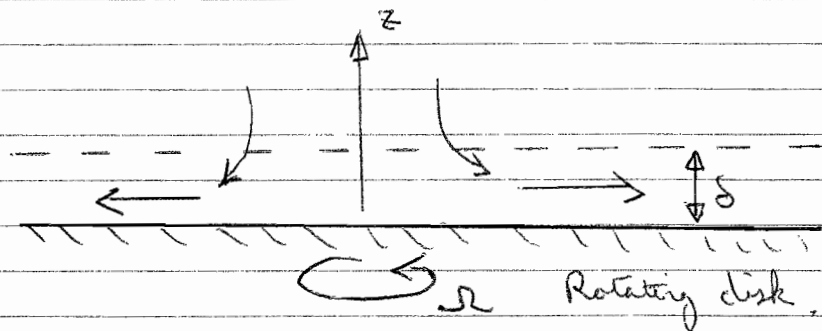


## 4A12 Turbulence 2005-06

① a) Kármán Layer

Fluid in layer rotates with disk due to no-slip conditions.

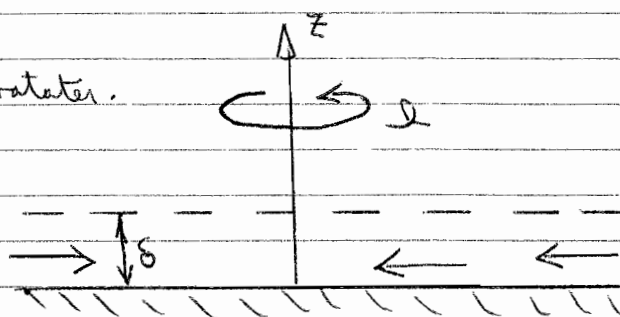


Nothing to balance centrifugal force so fluid spirals outward.

Bordewick layer

This time disk is stationary & fluid rotates.

Outside layer rotation sets up a radial pressure gradient



$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = \rho \Omega^2 r$$

This pressure gradient is imposed on boundary layer where  $u_0$ 's smaller. The excess pressure gradient drives a radial inflow in boundary layer.

b) In outer layer there is radial force:

Kármán layer it is  $\rho \frac{u_0^2}{r}$  (centrifugal force)

Bordewick layer it is  $\rho \frac{u_0^2}{r} - \rho \frac{(\Omega r)^2}{r} = -\rho \frac{\Omega^2 r^2}{r}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\partial p / \partial r$

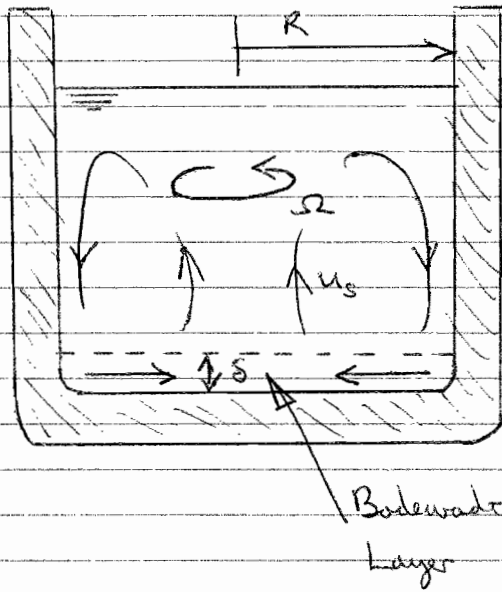
In the steady state this ~~is~~ is balanced by viscous stresses. The radial viscous force is  $\rho \nu \partial^2 u_r / \partial z^2 \sim \rho \nu u_r / \delta^2$

Thus,

$$\rho \frac{u_0^2}{r} \sim \rho \nu \frac{u_r}{\delta^2}$$

$$\text{If } u_r \sim u_0, \quad \frac{\nu}{\delta^2} \sim \frac{u_0}{r} \sim \Omega \Rightarrow \delta \sim \sqrt{\nu / \Omega}$$

c)



Fluid comes to rest after contents of tea have been flushed through the Bodenwahr layer where the KE of fluid is destroyed.

Spin down time is therefore turn-over time of secondary flow.

In Bodenwahr layer  $[u_r]_\delta \sim u_0 \sim \Omega R$

Continuity gives magnitude of secondary flow in core as ~~u\_s~~

$$u_s \times R \sim [u_r]_\delta \times \delta \sim (\Omega R) \delta$$

But  $\delta \sim \sqrt{\nu/\Omega}$

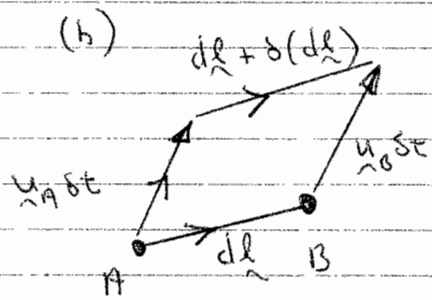
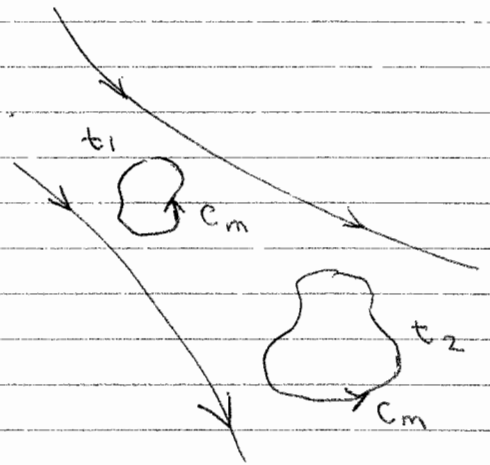
$$\Rightarrow u_s \sim \Omega \delta \sim \sqrt{\nu \Omega}$$

Thus turn-over time of secondary flow is,

$$\tau = \frac{R}{u_s} \sim \frac{R}{\sqrt{\nu \Omega}}$$

② (a) Kelvin's theorem:  $\Gamma = \oint_{C_m} \underline{u} \cdot d\underline{l} = \text{constant}$  if  $\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = 0$

for a material curve (dye line)  $C_m$ .



In time  $\delta t$ ,

$$\delta(d\underline{l}) = \underline{u}_B \delta t - \underline{u}_A \delta t$$

$$= (\underline{u}_B - \underline{u}_A) \delta t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{D}{Dt} (d\underline{l}) = \underline{u}_B - \underline{u}_A = (d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla) \underline{u}$$

e.g.  $(u_B)_x - (u_A)_x = (d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla) u_x$ , similarly for  $y, z$

Thus  $\frac{D}{Dt} d\underline{l} = \underline{(d\underline{l} \cdot \nabla) \underline{u}}$

Let  $d\underline{l} = \alpha \underline{\omega}$

$$\frac{D}{Dt} (\alpha \underline{\omega}) = (\alpha \underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla) \underline{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\omega} \frac{D\alpha}{Dt} + \alpha \frac{D\underline{\omega}}{Dt} = \alpha (\underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla) \underline{u}$$

But  $\frac{D\underline{\omega}}{Dt} = (\underline{\omega} \cdot \nabla) \underline{u}$  in an inviscid fluid,

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{D\alpha}{Dt} = 0}}$$

This is Helmholtz's law. (3)

(c)

From Kelvin's theorem

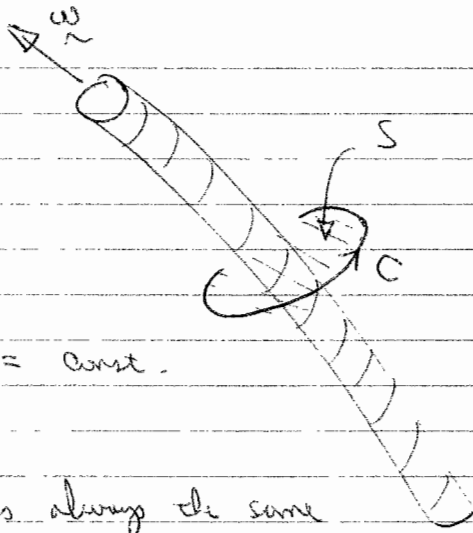
$$\oint_C \underline{\gamma} \cdot d\underline{l} = \int_S \underline{\omega} \cdot d\underline{S} = \text{const.}$$

This flux through  $C$  is always the same

This  $C$  always encircles flux tube.

This is true for any <sup>material</sup> curve that encloses the vortex tube.

Since these curves all move with the fluid, so must the vortex tube.



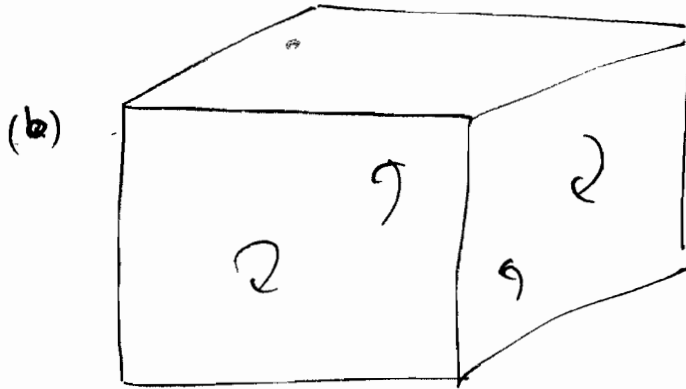
- 3 (a) Turbulence is produced close to the floor of the room by the motion of the people. In the TKE equation, the fluctuating force terms are responsible for turbulence generation:  $\overline{f'_1 u'_1} + \overline{f'_2 u'_2}$  in 1 & 2 directions only (horizontal)

There is no mean air motion  $\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \bar{u}_i}{\partial x_j} = 0 \Rightarrow$  no production

Hence turbulence is produced at low  $z$ .  $z$  diffuses to larger  $z$  (above the guests' head) by the action of the transport terms in the TKE.

At low  $z$ , turbulence is probably ~~highly~~ anisotropic, since there is no generation in the  $z$ -direction.

Eventually, as we go upwards, the pressure re-distribution term makes all 3 components approximately equal.



Isotropic stationary  
turbulence

homogeneous in all  
directions

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{3}{2} \rho u^2 \right) = \text{production} - \text{dissipation}$$

$$V = 20 \times 20 \times 8 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\rho = \text{air density at room } T = 1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Power in = Dissipation (for steady state)

$$\Rightarrow (\# \text{ of people}) \times (\text{power per person}) = \epsilon \times (\rho V)$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon = \frac{400 \cdot 1}{1.2 \times 20 \times 20 \times 8} = 0.1 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^3$$

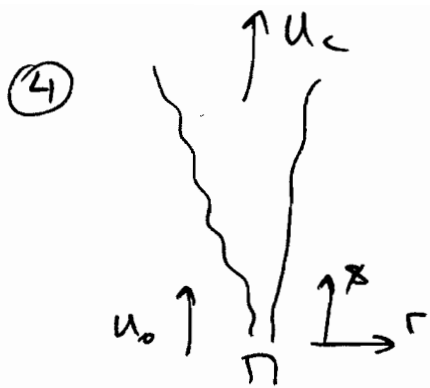
$$\text{If } u \sim 0.5 \text{ m/s, using } \epsilon = \frac{u^3}{L} \Rightarrow L = 1.25 \text{ m}$$

(Some students failed to notice that  $u$  was given and estimated  $L$  as the "lengthscale of the turbulence production mechanism", i.e. the distance between guests. From  $\epsilon$ , this gave  $u$ . Not a crazy approach...)

$$\text{Turbulence timescale: } \frac{L}{u} \sim 2.5 \text{ s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c) } \eta_K &= L \cdot (Re_t)^{-3/4} \\ &= L \cdot \left( \frac{u L}{\nu} \right)^{-3/4} = 0.4 \text{ mm} \end{aligned}$$

Hence 20 mm balloon falls in the inertial range  
 $\Rightarrow$  cannot follow all turbulent motions.



(a) Self-similarity means  $\bar{U}(x, r) = U_c(x) \cdot f(\eta)$ ,  $\eta = \frac{r}{\delta}$   
and  $\delta = \delta(x)$

Momentum flow rate is conserved

$$\Rightarrow \dot{M} = \int_0^{\infty} \rho 2\pi r \bar{U}^2(r, x) dr \text{ is independent of } x$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \rho 2\pi (\delta \eta) U_c^2 f^2(\eta) \delta d\eta \text{ is not a f of } x$$

$$= \rho 2\pi \delta^2 U_c^2 \int_0^{\infty} \eta f^2(\eta) d\eta \text{ is not a f of } x$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{since } \delta \sim x, U_c \sim x^{-1}$$

(b) If Reynolds stresses are self-similar,

$$\overline{u_i u_j} = Q_{ij} g(\eta) \quad \& \quad Q_{ij} = \text{f of } x \text{ only}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{characteristic velocity } u \sim u(x) g(\eta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{u}{U_c} = \text{constant}(\eta) \cdot \frac{u(x)}{U_c(x)} \sim \text{constant f of } \eta \text{ only}$$

since  $u/U_c \sim \text{constant}$  for self-preserving jet

$$\text{Eddy viscosity} \sim C u(x) \delta(x)$$

$$\sim \text{Constant with } x \text{ since } u(x) \sim x^{-1} \text{ (since } U_c \sim x^{-1})$$

(c) mass flow rate =

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{m}(x) &= \int_0^{\infty} \rho 2\pi r \bar{u}(x,r) dr \\ &= \rho 2\pi \delta^2(x) u_c(x) \int_0^{\infty} \eta f(\eta) d\eta \\ &\quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \underbrace{\int_0^{\infty} \eta f(\eta) d\eta}_{\text{constant with } x} \\ &\quad \delta \sim x \quad \sim x^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{m}(x) \sim x$$