

Introductory fluid mechanics

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Introduction

- *Ideal fluid*: Euler (1755);
- *Viscous fluid*: Navier (1822) and Stokes (1845).

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} = \nu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla p + \mathbf{f},$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0.$$

- $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ fluid velocity;
- $p = p(\mathbf{x}, t)$ pressure;
- $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, t)$ external force;
- ν viscosity;

Material exhibits flow if shear forces, however small, lead to a deformation which is unbounded; i.e. a fluid.

- Liquids: incompressible, eg. brakes!;
- Gases: compressible, eg. aerosols and air canisters.

Subcategorization:

- *Ideal/inviscid*: only internal force is pressure;
- *Viscous*: internal frictional forces also present;
- *Non-Newtonian/complex*: reaction to deformation depend on:
 - past history, eg. paints;
 - temperature, eg. some polymers or glass;
 - deformation size, eg. plastics or silly putty.

Continuum hypothesis

Natural length scales:

$$L_{\text{molecular}} \ll L_{\text{fluid}} \ll L_{\text{macro}}.$$

Continuum assumption:

properties of the fluid at scale L_{fluid} propagate all the way down and through the molecular scale $L_{\text{molecular}}$.

Everyday fluid mechanics: this is extremely accurate (Chorin and Marsden).

Conservation principles

- 1 *Conservation of mass;*
- 2 *Newton's 2nd law/balance of momentum;*
- 3 *Conservation of energy.*

These principles generate:

- 1 *Continuity equation;*
- 2 *Navier–Stokes equations;*
- 3 *Equation of state.*

Trajectories

Small fluid particle or a speck of dust:

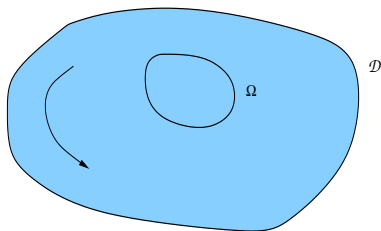
- Velocity flow field $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = (u, v, w)$;
- Position recorded by $(x(t), y(t), z(t))$.

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= u(x(t), y(t), z(t), t), \\ \dot{y}(t) &= v(x(t), y(t), z(t), t), \\ \dot{z}(t) &= w(x(t), y(t), z(t), t).\end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}(t), t).$$

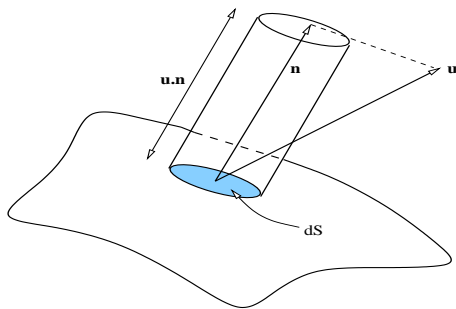
Continuity equation



Mass density $\rho(\mathbf{x}, t)$:

$$\text{Mass}(\Omega, t) := \int_{\Omega} \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) dV.$$

Continuity equation II



mass density \times vol leaving per unit time $= \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) \cdot \mathbf{n}(\mathbf{x}) dS$

Continuity equation III

Conservation of mass:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \rho(\mathbf{x}, t) dV = - \int_{\partial\Omega} \rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} dS.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) dV = 0.$$

Ω arbitrary \Rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0.$$

Definition (Incompressibility)

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \rho + \rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \rho = 0$$

Homogeneous when ρ constant in space:

Incompressible $\Leftrightarrow \rho$ is constant in time.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) &= \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \mathbf{x}(t) &= \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}(t), t) \\ &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial z} \frac{dz}{dt} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} \\ &= \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{dz}{dt} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{u} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} \\ &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} \end{aligned}$$

Material derivative:

$$\frac{d}{dt} F(\mathbf{x}(t), y(t), z(t), t) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla F = \frac{DF}{Dt}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) + (\nabla \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})) \cdot \mathbf{h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Rate of strain tensor:

$$\nabla \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial u / \partial x & \partial u / \partial y & \partial u / \partial z \\ \partial v / \partial x & \partial v / \partial y & \partial v / \partial z \\ \partial w / \partial x & \partial w / \partial y & \partial w / \partial z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \mathbf{u} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}((\nabla \mathbf{u}) + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T)}_D + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}((\nabla \mathbf{u}) - (\nabla \mathbf{u})^T)}_R$$

Rate of strain tensor II

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \partial u / \partial y - \partial v / \partial x & \partial u / \partial z - \partial w / \partial x \\ \partial v / \partial x - \partial u / \partial y & 0 & \partial v / \partial z - \partial w / \partial y \\ \partial w / \partial x - \partial u / \partial z & \partial w / \partial y - \partial v / \partial z & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\omega_1 = \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \quad \omega_2 = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \quad \omega_3 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

$$R = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\omega_3 & \omega_2 \\ \omega_3 & 0 & -\omega_1 \\ -\omega_2 & \omega_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow R \mathbf{h} = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \mathbf{h}$$

Theorem

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) + D(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{h} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\omega}(\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{h} + O(h^2).$$

D is the symmetric *deformation tensor*.

$$X^{-1}DX = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\boldsymbol{\omega}$ is the *vorticity field*, indeed: $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \nabla \times \mathbf{u}$.

Rate of strain tensor IV

\mathbf{x} is fixed and \mathbf{h} is small:

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h})$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{d\mathbf{h}}{dt} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h})$$

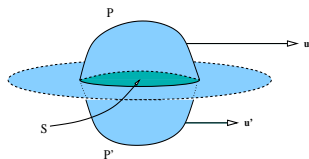
$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{d\mathbf{h}}{dt} \approx \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) + D(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \mathbf{h} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\omega}(\mathbf{x}) \times \mathbf{h}.$$

$$\mathbf{h} = X\hat{\mathbf{h}} \implies$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{h}_1 \\ \hat{h}_2 \\ \hat{h}_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{h}_1 \\ \hat{h}_2 \\ \hat{h}_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

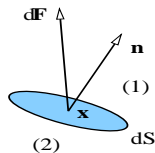
$$\frac{d}{dt}(\hat{h}_1\hat{h}_2\hat{h}_3) = \underbrace{(d_1 + d_2 + d_3)}_{\text{Tr}(D)=\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}}(\hat{h}_1\hat{h}_2\hat{h}_3)$$

Internal fluid forces



- 1 *external or body forces per unit volume;*
- 2 *surface or stress forces, molecular in origin.*

Internal fluid forces II



Force $d\mathbf{F}$ on side (2) by side (1) of dS :

$$d\mathbf{F} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{n}) dS$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\mathbf{n}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{n}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = [\sigma_{ij}] =$ stress tensor (3×3 matrix)

Internal fluid forces III

Write:

$$\sigma = -p I + \hat{\sigma}$$

where

- $p := -\frac{1}{3}(\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33}) > 0$ represents *pressure*;
- $\hat{\sigma}$ is the *deviatoric stress tensor*.

Note $-p I$ generates the normal stresses:

$$\sigma = -p I \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Sigma(\mathbf{n}) = -p \mathbf{n}$$

while $\hat{\sigma}$ generates the shear stresses.

Internal fluid forces IV

Assumptions on $\hat{\sigma}$:

- 1 Linear homogeneous function of $\nabla \mathbf{u}$ (*Newtonian fluid*);
- 2 Invariant under rigid body rotations:

$$\hat{\sigma}(U \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \cdot U^{-1}) \equiv U \cdot \hat{\sigma}(\nabla \mathbf{u}) \cdot U^{-1};$$

- 3 Symmetric.

$$\Rightarrow \quad \hat{\sigma}_{ij} = \sum_{k,l} A_{ijkl} D_{kl}$$

$$\text{isotropy} \Rightarrow \quad A_{ijkl} = \alpha \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} + \beta \delta_{ik} \delta_{jl} + \gamma \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}$$

Internal fluid forces V

Properties imply $\hat{\sigma}D = D\hat{\sigma}$

$$D\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i = d_i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \quad \implies \quad \hat{\sigma}D\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i = D(\hat{\sigma}\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i) = d_i(\hat{\sigma}\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)$$

$\implies \hat{\sigma}\hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \propto \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i \implies \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ evec of $\hat{\sigma}$ also

\implies evals of $\hat{\sigma}$ are homogeneous linear functions of d_i

Prop 2 \implies symmetric functions $\implies \hat{\sigma}_i = \lambda(d_1 + d_2 + d_3) + 2\mu d_i$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \lambda(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})I + 2\mu D$$

$$\zeta = \lambda + \frac{2}{3}\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad \hat{\sigma} = 2\mu\left(D - \frac{1}{3}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})I\right) + \zeta(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})I$$

Navier–Stokes equations

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} (-p\mathbf{l} + \hat{\sigma}) \mathbf{n} dS \equiv \int_{\Omega} (-\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \hat{\sigma}) dV$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\nabla \cdot \hat{\sigma}]_i &= \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial \hat{\sigma}_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \lambda [\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})]_i + 2\mu \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial D_{ij}}{\partial x_j} \\ &= \lambda [\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})]_i + \mu \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial u_j}{\partial x_i} \right) \\ &= (\lambda + \mu) [\nabla(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u})]_i + \mu \nabla^2 u_i. \end{aligned}$$

Navier–Stokes equations II

Balance of momentum \implies

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \right) = -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \hat{\sigma} + \rho \mathbf{f}.$$

$$\implies \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} - \nabla p + \mathbf{f},$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0,$$

where $\nu = \mu/\rho =$ kinematic viscosity. Rigid boundary conditions:

- Ideal fluid flow: $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$;
- Viscous flow: $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$.

Evolution of vorticity

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \nabla(|\mathbf{u}|^2) - \mathbf{u} \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{u})$$

$$\nabla \times (\mathbf{u} \times \boldsymbol{\omega}) \equiv \mathbf{u}(\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\omega}) - \boldsymbol{\omega}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + (\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla)\boldsymbol{\omega}$$

Two identities imply:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla(|\mathbf{u}|^2) - \mathbf{u} \times \boldsymbol{\omega} = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u} - \nabla p$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\omega}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \boldsymbol{\omega} = \nu \Delta \boldsymbol{\omega} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{u} = -\nabla \times \boldsymbol{\omega},$$

Note: $\boldsymbol{\omega} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{u} = (\nabla \mathbf{u})\boldsymbol{\omega} = D\boldsymbol{\omega} + R\boldsymbol{\omega} = D\boldsymbol{\omega}$.

Transport theorem

Theorem (Transport theorem)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega_t} \rho F dV = \int_{\Omega_t} \rho \frac{DF}{Dt} dV.$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega_t} \rho \mathbf{u} dV = \int_{\Omega_t} -\nabla p + \nabla \cdot \hat{\sigma} + \rho \mathbf{f} dV.$$

Corollary (Equivalent statements)

- 1 *Fluid is incompressible;*
- 2 *Jacobian of flowmap equals 1;*
- 3 *Volume of Ω_t is constant in time.*

Lemma (Majda and Bertozzi, p. 8)

Given $D = D(t)$, real symmetric matrix with $\text{Tr}(D) = 0$. Suppose $\omega = \omega(t)$ solves ODEs

$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} = D(t) \omega.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) &= \frac{1}{2} \omega(t) \times \mathbf{x} + D(t) \mathbf{x}, \\ p(\mathbf{x}, t) &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dD}{dt} + D^2(t) + R^2(t) \right) \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}, \end{aligned}$$

are exact solutions to Euler and Navier–Stokes equations.

Simple exact flows II

Proof.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}(\nabla \mathbf{u}) + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla(\nabla \mathbf{u}) + (\nabla \mathbf{u})^2 = \nu \Delta(\nabla \mathbf{u}) - \nabla \nabla p.$$

$$(\nabla \mathbf{u})^2 = (D + R)^2 = (D^2 + R^2) + (DR + RD),$$

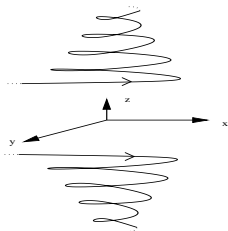
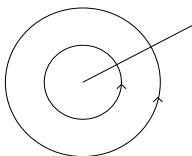
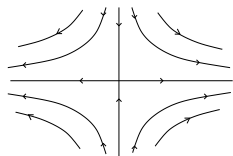
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla D + D^2 + R^2 = \nu \Delta D - \nabla \nabla p,$$

$$\frac{\partial R}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla R + DR + RD = \nu \Delta R.$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \omega(t) \times \mathbf{x} + D(t) \mathbf{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dD}{dt} + D^2 + R^2 = -\nabla \nabla p.$$



Example (jet flow with swirl)



$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 x - \frac{1}{2}\omega(t)y \\ d_2 y + \frac{1}{2}\omega(t)x \\ d_3 z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla \omega = \nu \Delta \omega + D\omega$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{u} = -\nabla \times \boldsymbol{\omega}$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \begin{pmatrix} -\gamma x \\ \gamma y \\ w(x, t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad p(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{1}{2} \gamma (x^2 + y^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} - \gamma x \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = \nu \frac{\partial^2 w}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \left(0 \quad -(\partial w / \partial x)(x, t) \quad 0 \right)^T$$

$$\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} - \gamma x \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial x} = \gamma \omega + \nu \frac{\partial^2 \omega}{\partial x^2}$$

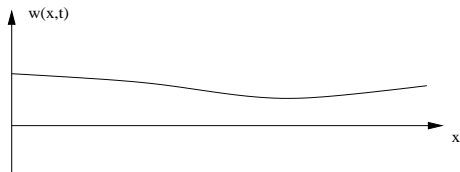
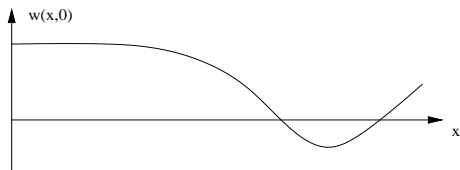
$$w(x, t) = - \int_{-\infty}^x \omega(\xi, t) d\xi.$$

Viscous shear-layer solution where $\gamma = 0$:

$$\omega(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} G(x - \xi, \nu t) \omega_0(\xi) d\xi,$$

$$G(\xi, t) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi t}} e^{-\xi^2/4t}.$$

Shear-layer flows II



Shear-layer flows II

Characteristic scales L , U and $T = L/U$:

$$\mathbf{x}' = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{L}, \quad \mathbf{u}' = \frac{\mathbf{u}}{U} \quad \text{and} \quad t' = \frac{t}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{U}{T} \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}'}{\partial t'} + \frac{U^2}{L} \mathbf{u}' \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}'} \mathbf{u}' = \frac{\nu U}{L^2} \Delta_{\mathbf{x}'} \mathbf{u}' - \frac{1}{\rho L} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}'} p$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}'}{\partial t'} + \mathbf{u}' \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{x}'} \mathbf{u}' = \frac{\nu}{UL} \Delta_{\mathbf{x}'} \mathbf{u}' - \frac{1}{\rho U^2} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}'} p.$$

Set $p' = p/\rho U^2$, and then $\text{Re} := UL/\nu$.

Continuous differentiability

Throughout: $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is a bounded domain.

Generalized partial derivative operator:

$$\partial^\alpha := \frac{\partial^{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_d}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_d^{\alpha_d}},$$

where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d)$ a multi-index with $\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_d = m$.

Definition (Continuously differentiable functions)

$C^m(\Omega)$ denotes the space of all functions whose partial derivatives, up to and including order m , are all continuous on Ω .

Continuous differentiability II

$C^0(\Omega) = C(\Omega) =$ space of continuous functions

$C^1(\Omega) =$ derivatives also continuous

$$C^\infty(\Omega) := \bigcap_{m=0}^{\infty} C^m(\Omega) = \text{smooth functions}$$

$C_0^m(\Omega)$ have compact support in Ω

$$\|f\|_{C^m(\bar{\Omega})} := \max_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq m} \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega} |\partial^\alpha f(\mathbf{x})|.$$

$C(\Omega; V) =$ continuous functions whose image lies in V

Lebesgue integrability

Definition (Lebesgue integrable functions)

$L^p(\Omega)$: space of equivalence classes of p -integrable functions on Ω :

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} := \left(\int_{\Omega} |f|^p \, d\mathbf{x} \right)^{1/p}.$$

Example

Suppose $\Omega = [0, 1]$ and $f = f(x)$ takes the values 1 if x is irrational in $[0, 1]$ and 0 if x is rational.

Lemma

For $1 \leq p < \infty$, the spaces $C_0(\Omega)$ and $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ are both dense in $L^p(\Omega)$.

Definition (Bounded functions)

f essentially bounded if $\exists K: |f(\mathbf{x})| \leq K$ a.e. on Ω . The greatest lower bound of such constants K is $\text{ess sup}_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega} |f(\mathbf{x})|$. Then $L^\infty(\Omega)$ given by

$$\|f\|_{L^\infty(\Omega)} := \text{ess sup}_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega} |f(\mathbf{x})| < \infty.$$

The spaces $C(\Omega)$, $C_0(\Omega)$ and $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$ are proper subspaces of L^∞ .

Definition (Inner product)

$L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)$ is a separable Hilbert space with inner product

$$\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \rangle := \int_{\Omega} \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{g} \, d\mathbf{x}.$$

Sobolev spaces

Definition (Local integrability)

A function f is locally L^p -integrable on Ω provided $f \in L^p(\mathcal{D})$ for every measurable \mathcal{D} such that $\overline{\mathcal{D}} \subseteq \Omega$ and $\overline{\mathcal{D}}$ is compact in \mathbb{R}^d : $f \in L^p_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$.

Definition (Weak derivatives)

$f, h \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$: $h = \partial^\alpha f$ weak derivative of f if $\forall \varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$:

$$\int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) \partial^\alpha \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x} = (-1)^{|\alpha|} \int_{\Omega} h(\mathbf{x}) \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \, d\mathbf{x}.$$

Definition (Sobolev space)

$$W^{m,p}(\Omega) := \left\{ f \in L^p(\Omega) : \partial^\alpha f \in L^p(\Omega), \forall \alpha : 0 \leq |\alpha| \leq m \right\}$$

Sobolev spaces II

$W^{m,p}(\Omega)$ is a Banach space with norm

$$\|f\|_{W^{m,p}(\Omega)} := \left(\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq m} \|\partial^\alpha f\|_{L^p(\Omega)}^p \right)^{1/p}$$

and the completion of $\{f \in C^m(\Omega) : \|f\|_{W^{m,p}(\Omega)} < \infty\}$ wrt $\|\cdot\|_{W^{m,p}(\Omega)}$.

Lemma (Sobolev Hilbert spaces)

$H^m(\Omega) := W^{m,2}(\Omega)$ is a separable Hilbert space with inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H^m(\Omega)} := \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq m} \langle \partial^\alpha f, \partial^\alpha g \rangle_{L^2(\Omega)}.$$

Sobolev spaces: Space and time regularity

$$f \in C([0, T]; L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{L^2(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)} \text{ continuous in } t$$

$$f \in L^2([0, T]; H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \int_0^T \|f(\cdot, t)\|_{H^1(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^n)}^2 dt < \infty$$

Definition (Embedding)

Suppose V and H are two function spaces. We say that V is embedded in H and write

$$V \hookrightarrow H$$

if the following holds:

- 1 V is a vector subspace of H ;
- 2 The identity map $\text{id}: V \rightarrow H$ given by $\text{id}: f \mapsto f$ is *continuous*, i.e. for all $f \in V$ and some positive constant c , we have:

$$\|f\|_H \leq c \|f\|_V.$$

Examples: $L^\infty(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^p(\Omega)$; $W^{1,2}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^p(\Omega)$ and for any $p > p'$:

$$L^p(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^{p'}(\Omega).$$

Fundamental inequalities

Pair (p, q) are *conjugate pair* if

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

Lemma (Young's inequality)

For any $a \geq 0$, $b \geq 0$, $\epsilon > 0$ and conjugate pair (p, q) with $1 < p < \infty$:

$$ab \leq \frac{1}{p}(a\epsilon)^p + \frac{1}{q}\left(\frac{b}{\epsilon}\right)^q.$$

Theorem (Hölder's inequality)

For any conjugate pair (p, q) :

$$\int_{\Omega} |f(\mathbf{x}) g(\mathbf{x})| d\mathbf{x} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \|g\|_{L^q(\Omega)}.$$

Theorem (Poincaré's inequality)

Suppose Ω is connected and has a C^1 boundary $\partial\Omega$. For any $f \in W^{1,p}(\Omega) \exists$ constant $c = c(d, p, \Omega)$:

$$\|f - \langle f \rangle\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \leq c \|\nabla f\|_{L^p(\Omega)}.$$

Functions with mean zero: $W^{1,p}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^p(\Omega)$.

Theorem (Sobolev–Gagliardo–Nirenberg inequality)

For all $f \in H^1(\Omega)$ and some constant $c = c(\Omega)$:

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\Omega)} \leq c \|\nabla f\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^a \|f\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^{1-a},$$

where $a = d(p-2)/2p$ and $2 \leq p \leq 2d/(d-2)$.

$$\implies W^{1,2}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow L^p(\Omega)$$

Compact embeddings

Definition (Compact operator)

$A: V \rightarrow H$ compact if $A(U)$ is precompact in H whenever U is bounded in V .

Definition (Compact embedding)

If $V \hookrightarrow H$ and $\text{id}: V \rightarrow H$ is compact then: $V \hookrightarrow\hookrightarrow H$.

Theorem (Rellich–Kondrachov theorem)

Assume $\partial\Omega$ is C^1 , $d > 2$ and $1 \leq p < 2d/(d-2)$: $W^{1,2}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow\hookrightarrow L^p(\Omega)$.

$$L^\infty([0, T]; L^2(\Omega)) \cap L^2([0, T]; H^1(\Omega)) \cap W^{1, \frac{4}{d}}([0, T]; H^{-1}(\Omega)) \\ \hookrightarrow\hookrightarrow L^2([0, T]; L^2(\Omega))$$