

Matematisk modellering og numeriske metoder

Hints to the exercises related to Lecture 7

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Section 9.8

Exercise 5

- Just use the definition.

Exercise 11

- That $v = y\mathbf{i}$ means that

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- That the flow is incompressible means that $\operatorname{div} v = 0$.
- Let $\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$ lie in the given cube (i.e. $0 \leq x_0 \leq 1$, $0 \leq y_0 \leq 1$, and $0 \leq z_0 \leq 1$). If this point is the coordinates of a particle at time $t = 0$, then where would this particle be at time $t = 1$? Well, the velocity vector at $\begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}$ is $\begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, it is easy to see that this particle in fact has constant speed (why?), so to see where the particle is at $t = 1$, all we need to do is to add 1 times the velocity vector to the position vector:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_0 + y_0 \\ y_0 \\ z_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Alternatively, one can see this by writing the problem as a system of ODE's (this is how it is treated in Appendix 2 "Answers to Selected Problems").

- Try drawing a 2-dimensional section (including the x -axis) of what happens. See if you can get a feel of what happens to the particles.

- Find a mathematical expression of the region occupied at time $t = 1$ by the particles from the cube at $t = 0$. Hint: what happens to the corners?

Exercise 13

- From Example 5 on page 372, we learn that r is the position vector. This means that the velocity vector is of the form

$$v(r) = w \times r,$$

where w is some constant vector. If we write $r = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ and $w = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{pmatrix}$, then this becomes

$$v(r) = \begin{pmatrix} w_2z - w_3y \\ w_3x - w_1z \\ w_1y - w_2x \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Find $\text{div}(v)$ by direct computation.
- They ask if it seems plausible that nothing gets squeezed, disappears or appears if things are just rotating.

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Exercise 3

- In this case, the proof is just a direct computation.
- First, let f be some twice continuously differentiable scalar field (a function taking real values but depending on the coordinates x, y , and z and which is twice continuously differentiable).
- Write out what $\text{grad}(f)$ is.
- Apply curl to this expression.
- Second, let v be some twice continuously differentiable vector field (i.e. a function $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}$, where v_i takes real values and depends on x, y , and z and is twice continuously differentiable, for $i = 1, 2, 3$).
- Write out what $\text{curl } v$ is.
- Apply div to this expression.

Exercise 5

- This means that

$$v(x, y, z) = \begin{pmatrix} x^3yz \\ xy^3z \\ xyz^3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Just use the definition.

Exercise 7

- Again, just use the definition.
- Remember that $\sin(y)$ behaves like a constant when you differentiate with respect to x and z , while e^{-x} behaves like a constant when differentiating with respect to y and z .

Exercise 9

- The flow is incompressible if $\operatorname{div} v = 0$ and irrotational if $\operatorname{curl} v = 0$.
- The streamlines can be found by solving the system of ODE's $v = r'$, where r is the position of a particle of the fluid.

Exercise 11

- Exactly as above, only with different functions.
- See Appendix 2 for help on (setting up and) solving the system of ODE's.

Exercise 14

- (a) This follows by direct computation and basically just depends on the linearity of differentiation.
- (b) This has already been proven in Exercise 3.
- (c) Again, this is a matter of direct computation. Try calculating each term individually and see that the sum on the right equals the expression on the left.
- (d) Again, this was done in Exercise 3.
- (e) As with (a) and (c).

Exercise 15

- There are two ways: either use (a) of Exercise 14 or:
- First calculate

$$u + v = v + u = \begin{pmatrix} z \\ x \\ y \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} y + z \\ z + x \\ x + y \end{pmatrix}$$

Exercise 19

- This can be done directly or by using (a) and (c) of Exercise 14.
- Obviously, the results are the same, as v clearly is irrotational.