

# fluid mechanics

- 3 steps:
- I Describe mathematically the flow field / motion of fluid particles. (Kinematics)
  - II Formulate the equations of motion: balance of forces acting on fluid particles: stress.
  - III Constitutive eqns relate kinematics to stresses.
- } The Navier Stokes eqns.
- + plenty of examples!

# § (n+1) Kinematics

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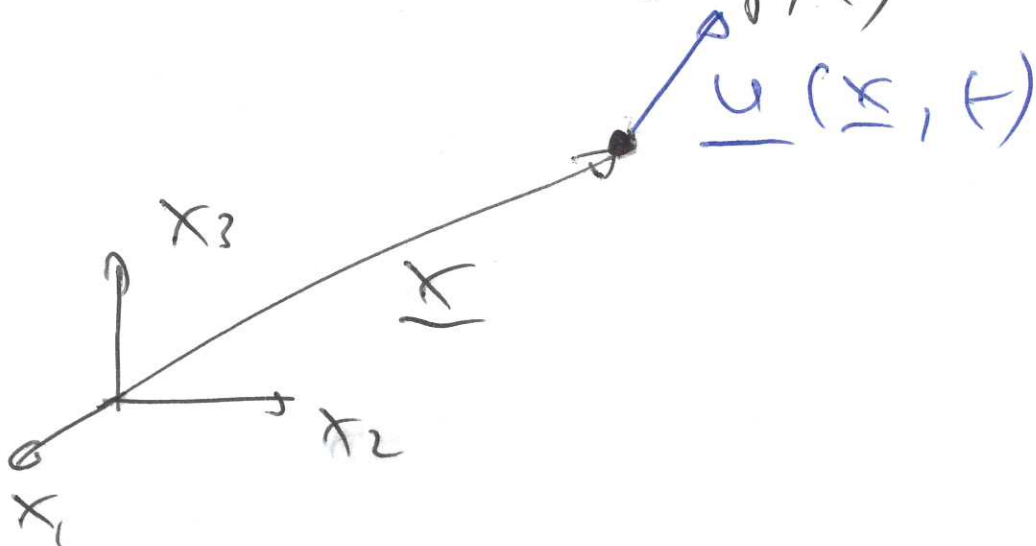
## The Eulerian velocity field.

Assume we know the velocity  $\underline{u}$  as a fct. of the 3 cartesian coords  $(x, y, z) = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$  & time  $t$ .

$$\underline{u} = \underline{u}(x_1, x_2, x_3, t) = \underline{u}(\underline{x}, t)$$

or

$$u_i = u_i(x_j, t)$$



Note: At time  $t$

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the material particle at point  $\underline{x}$  has veloc.  $\underline{u}$

Implies: At different times, different particles will be at this position.

This is important!

Example: Acceleration of fluid ~~particle~~ particles:

The material derivative:

The position  $\underline{x}$  of a particle is given by

$$\underline{x} = \underline{x}^P(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^P(t) \\ x_2^P(t) \\ x_3^P(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

= particle path

So the veloc of that particle is given by (4)

$$\underline{u} = \underline{u}(x_1^p(t), x_2^p(t), x_3^p(t), t)$$

Accel. of this particle

$$\frac{d\underline{u}}{dt} = \frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial x_1^p} \frac{dx_1^p}{dt} +$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial x_2^p} \frac{dx_2^p}{dt} +$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{u}}{\partial x_3^p} \frac{dx_3^p}{dt}$$

in der notation:

$$\frac{du_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j^p} \frac{dx_j^p}{dt}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{du_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial t} + u_j \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}}$$

Symbolically:

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$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + \underline{u} \cdot \nabla \underline{u}$$

often written as

$$\frac{Du}{Dt}$$

to distinguish  
the deriv. of  
at a fixed  
posn.  $\left(\frac{du}{dt}\right)$ .

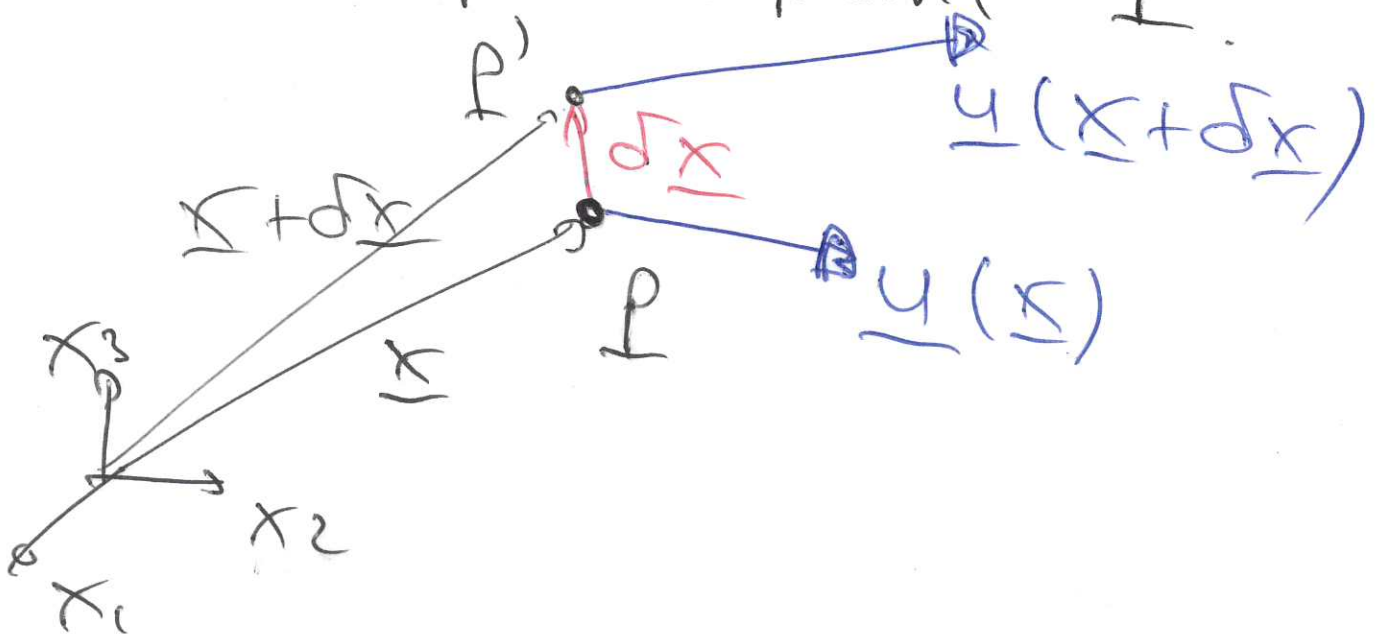
accel. from  
the veloc.  
spatial

# The rate of strain tensor & the vorticity

Velocity field contains:

- translation
- rotation
- shearing
- dilation

To demonstrate this  
examine the veloc. field  
in the vicinity of a  
fixed spatial point  $P$ .



$$\underline{u}(\underline{x} + \delta \underline{x}) = u(x_1 + \delta x_1, x_2 + \delta x_2, x_3 + \delta x_3) \quad (2)$$

3D Taylor expansion

$$= \underline{u}(x_1, x_2, x_3) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_3} \delta x_3 + O(\delta x^2)$$

$$\delta \underline{u} = \underline{u}(\underline{x} + \delta \underline{x}) - \underline{u}(\underline{x})$$

$$\delta u_i = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} \delta x_j + O(\delta x^2)$$

As  $\delta x_j \rightarrow 0$

$$du_i = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} dx_j$$

velocity gradient tensor  
(3x3 matrix)

Note: If  $\frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j} = 0$

then  $u_i = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  velocity does not depend on space  $\Rightarrow$  all fluid particles have the same velocity.

$\Rightarrow$  translation.