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## STRESS IN FLUIDS. CONSTITUTIVE RELATION AND NEWTONIAN FLUID.



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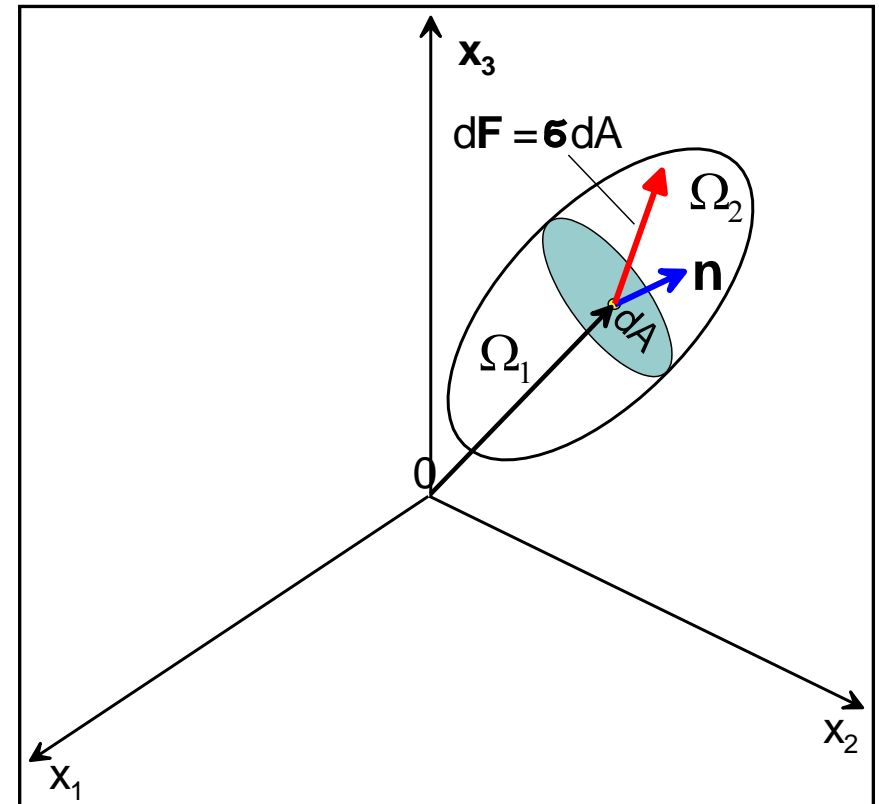
## MATHEMATICAL MODEL FOR INTERNAL FORCES IN FLUIDS. STRESS TENSOR.

According to **Cauchy hypothesis**, the **surface** (or interface) **reaction force** acting between two adjacent portions of a fluid can be characterized by its surface vector density called the **stress**.

Thus, for an infinitesimal piece  $dA$  of the interface  $\partial\Omega_1 \cap \partial\Omega_2$ , we have (see figure)

$$d\mathbf{F} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} dA \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{F}_{\Omega_2 \rightarrow \Omega_1} = \int_{\partial\Omega_1 \cap \partial\Omega_2} \boldsymbol{\sigma} dA$$

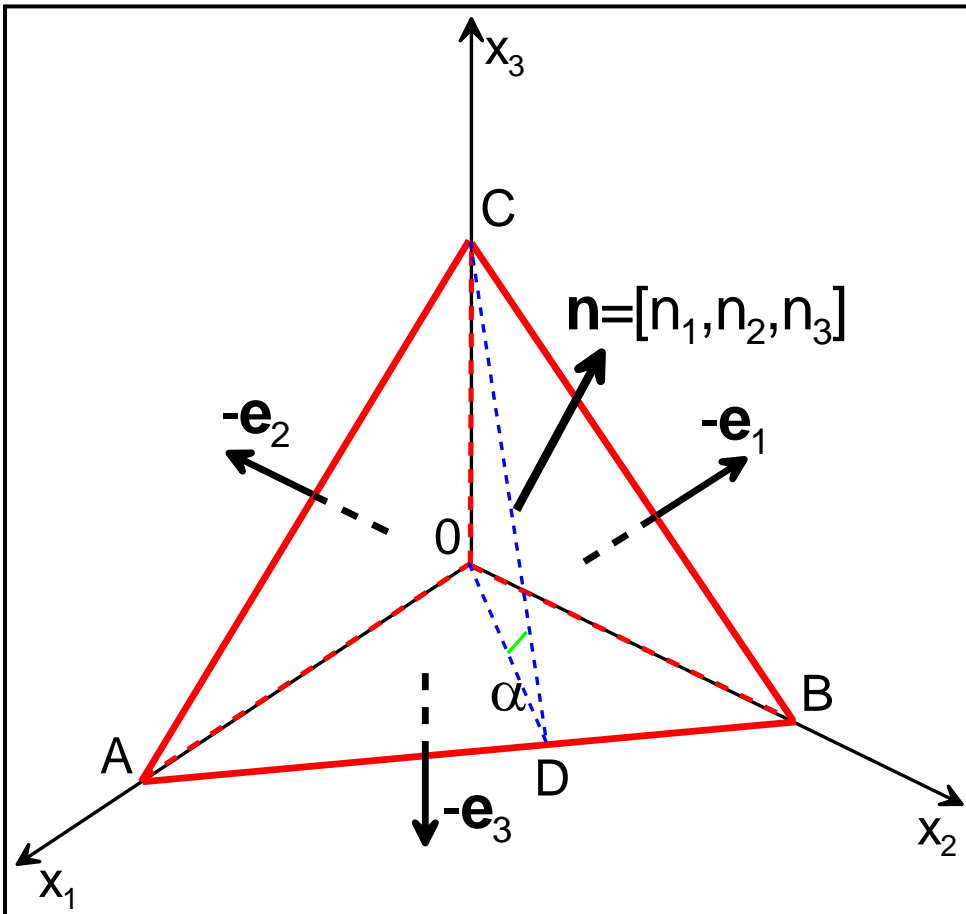
The stress vector  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  is **not a vector field**: it depends not only on the point  $\mathbf{x}$  but also on the **orientation** of the surface element  $dA$  or – equivalently – on the vector  $\mathbf{n}$  normal (perpendicular) to  $dA$  at the point  $\mathbf{x}$ .



From the **3<sup>rd</sup> principle of Newton's dynamics** (action-reaction principle) we have

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

We will show that the value of stress vector  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  can be expressed by means of a tensor field. To this aim, consider a portion of fluid in the form of small **tetrahedron** as depicted in the figure below.



The **front face**  $\triangle ABC$  belongs to the plane which is describes by the following formula

$$(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{x}) \equiv n_j x_j = h \quad , \quad h - \text{small}$$

number.

The areas of the faces of the tetrahedron are  $S$ ,  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$  and  $S_3$  for  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\triangle OBC$ ,  $\triangle AOC$  and  $\triangle ABO$ , respectively.

Obviously,  $S \sim O(h^2)$ .

Moreover, the **following relations hold** for  $j = 1, 2, 3$ :

$$S_j = S \cos[\angle(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{e}_j)] = S \cdot (\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{e}_j) = S n_j$$

The volume of the tetrahedron is  $V_\Omega \sim O(h^3)$ .

The **momentum principle** for the fluid contained inside the tetrahedron volume reads

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \rho \mathbf{v} d\mathbf{x}}_{\text{time derivative of the momentum}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_{vol}}_{\text{total volume force}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{F}_{surf}}_{\text{total surface force}}$$

We need to calculate the **total surface force**  $\mathbf{F}_{surf}$ .

We have:

on  $\Delta ABC$ :  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{n}) = \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{n}) + O(h)$

$$\mathbf{F}_{surf}^{\Delta ABC} = S \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{n}) + O(h^3)$$

on  $\Delta OBC$ :  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{e}_1) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_1) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_1) + O(h)$

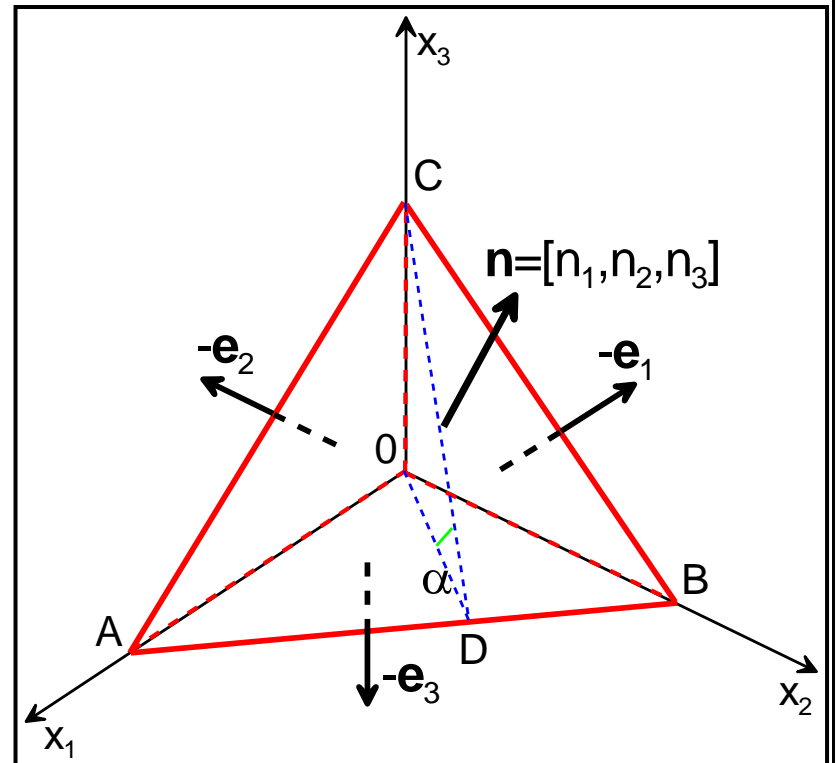
$$\mathbf{F}_{surf}^{\Delta OBC} = -S_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_1) + O(h^3) = -S n_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_1) + O(h^3)$$

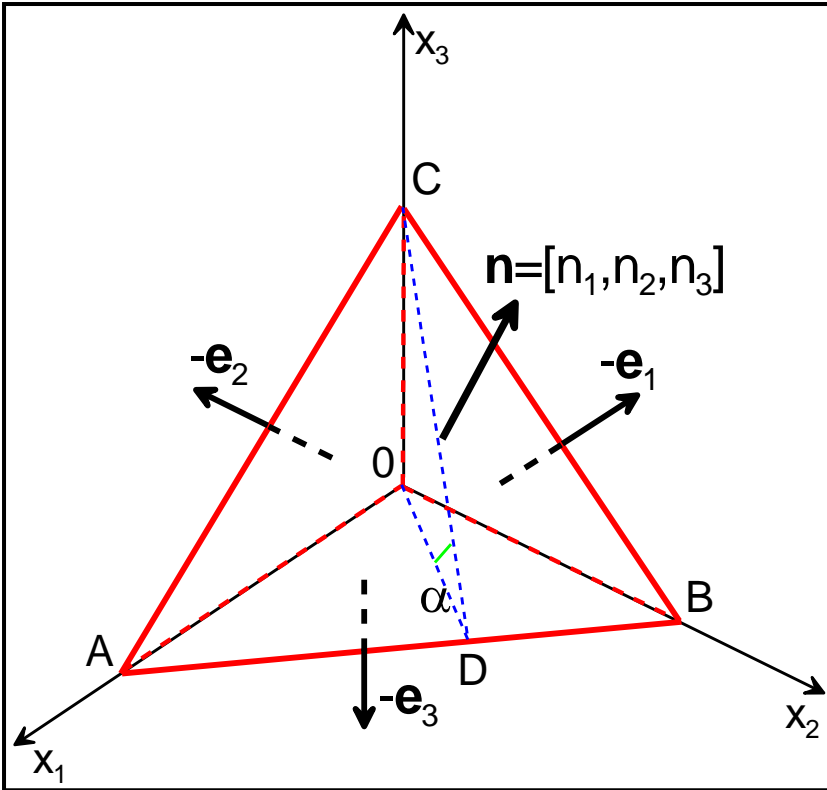
on  $\Delta AOC$ :  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{e}_2) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_2) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_2) + O(h)$

$$\mathbf{F}_{surf}^{\Delta AOC} = -S_2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_2) + O(h^3) = -S n_2 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_2) + O(h^3)$$

on  $\Delta AOB$ :  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, -\mathbf{e}_3) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_3) = -\boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_3) + O(h)$

$$\mathbf{F}_{surf}^{\Delta AOB} = -S_3 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_3) + O(h^3) = -S n_3 \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{e}_3) + O(h^3)$$





When the above formulas are inserted to the equation of motion we get

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \rho v dx}_{O(h^3)} = \underbrace{F_{vol}}_{O(h^3)} + \underbrace{S[\sigma(\theta, \mathbf{n}) - n_j \sigma(\theta, \mathbf{e}_j)]}_{O(h^2)} + O(h^3)$$

When  $h \rightarrow 0$  the above equation reduces to

$$\sigma(\theta, \mathbf{n}) - n_j \sigma(\theta, \mathbf{e}_j) = 0$$

In general case, the vertex O is not the origin of the coordinate system and the field of stress is time dependent.

Hence, we can write

$$\sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{n}) = n_j \sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_j)$$

In the planes oriented perpendicularly to the vectors  $\mathbf{e}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{e}_2$  or  $\mathbf{e}_3$ , the stress vector can be written as

$$\sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_j) = \sigma_{ij}(t, \mathbf{x}) \mathbf{e}_i$$

Thus, the **general formula for the stress vector** takes the form

$$\sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{n}) = n_j \sigma(t, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_j) = \sigma_{ij}(t, \mathbf{x}) n_j \mathbf{e}_i \equiv \underline{\underline{\boldsymbol{\Xi}}}(t, \mathbf{x}) \mathbf{n}$$

We have introduced the matrix  $\underline{\underline{E}}$  which represents the **stress tensor**. The **stress tensor** depends on time and space coordinates, i.e., we actually have the **tensor field**.

Note that the **stress tensor**  $\underline{\underline{E}}$  can be viewed as the linear mapping (parameterized by  $t$  and  $\mathbf{x}$ ) between vectors in 3-dimensional Euclidean space

$$\underline{\underline{E}} : E^3 \ni \mathbf{w} = w_j \mathbf{e}_j \mapsto \sigma_{ij} w_j \mathbf{e}_i \in E^3$$

In particular

$$\underline{\underline{E}}(\mathbf{n}) \equiv \underline{\underline{E}}\mathbf{n} = \sigma_{ij} n_j \mathbf{e}_i = \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

i.e., the action of  $\underline{\underline{E}}$  on the normal vector  $\mathbf{n}$  at some point of the fluid surface yields the **stress vector**  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  at this point.

It is often necessary to calculate the **normal and tangent stress components at the point of some surface**.

**Normal component** is equal

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_n = (\mathbf{n} \cdot \underline{\underline{E}} \mathbf{n}) \mathbf{n} \equiv \underbrace{(\mathbf{n}, \underline{\underline{E}} \mathbf{n})}_{\text{inner (scalar) product}} \mathbf{n}$$

**Tangent component** can be expressed as

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\tau = \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \sigma_n \mathbf{n} = \sigma_{ij} n_j \mathbf{e}_i - (\sigma_{km} n_k n_m) n_i \mathbf{e}_i = \underbrace{[\sigma_{ij} n_j - (\sigma_{km} n_k n_m) n_i]}_{(\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\tau)_i} \mathbf{e}_i$$

or, equivalently as

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\tau = \mathbf{n} \times (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \mathbf{n})$$

Indeed, using the identity

$$\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{c}) \mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}) \mathbf{c}$$

for  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \boldsymbol{\sigma}$ ,  $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{n}$  we obtain

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\tau = \mathbf{n} \times (\boldsymbol{\sigma} \times \mathbf{n}) = \underbrace{(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{n})}_1 \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \underbrace{(\mathbf{n}, \boldsymbol{\sigma})}_{\sigma_n} \mathbf{n} = \boldsymbol{\sigma} - \sigma_n \mathbf{n}$$

## CONSTITUTIVE RELATION

The **constitutive relation** for the (simple) fluids is the relation **between stress tensor  $\underline{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$  and the deformation rate tensor  $\boldsymbol{D}$** . This relation should be postulated in a form which is frame-invariant and such that the **stress tensor is symmetric**.

Let's remind two facts:

- The **velocity gradient  $\nabla \boldsymbol{v}$**  can be decomposed into two parts: the symmetric part  $\boldsymbol{D}$  called the **deformation rate tensor** and the skew-symmetric part  $\boldsymbol{R}$  called the (rigid) **rotation tensor**.

$$\nabla \boldsymbol{v} = \boldsymbol{D} + \boldsymbol{R}$$

- Tensor  $\boldsymbol{D}$  can be expressed as the sum of the spherical part  $\boldsymbol{D}_{SPH}$  and the deviatoric part  $\boldsymbol{D}_{DEV}$

$$\boldsymbol{D} = \boldsymbol{D}_{SPH} + \boldsymbol{D}_{DEV}$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{D}_{SPH} = \frac{1}{3} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{D} \cdot \boldsymbol{I} = \frac{1}{3} (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v}) \boldsymbol{I}$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{D}_{DEV} = \boldsymbol{D} - \frac{1}{3} \text{div} \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{I} \Rightarrow (\boldsymbol{D}_{DEV})_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} \right) - \frac{1}{3} \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_k} \delta_{ij}$$



The **general constitutive relation** for a (simple) fluid can be written in the form of the matrix “polynomial”

$$\boldsymbol{\Xi} = \mathfrak{P}(\boldsymbol{D}) = \boldsymbol{\Xi}_0 + c_0 \boldsymbol{I} + c_1 \boldsymbol{D} + c_2 \boldsymbol{D}^2 + c_3 \boldsymbol{D}^3 + \dots$$

where the **coefficients are the function of 3 invariants of the tensor  $\boldsymbol{D}$** , i.e.

$$c_k = c_k[I_1(\boldsymbol{D}), I_2(\boldsymbol{D}), I_3(\boldsymbol{D})].$$

Consider the **characteristic polynomial of the tensor  $\boldsymbol{D}$**

$$p_D(\lambda) = \det[\boldsymbol{D} - \lambda \boldsymbol{I}] = -\lambda^3 + I_1 \lambda^2 - I_2 \lambda + I_3.$$

The **Cayley-Hamilton Theorem** states that the matrix (or tensor) satisfies its own characteristic polynomial meaning that

$$p_D(\boldsymbol{D}) = -\boldsymbol{D}^3 + I_1 \boldsymbol{D}^2 - I_2 \boldsymbol{D} + I_3 = \mathbf{0}$$

Thus, the 3<sup>rd</sup> power of  $\boldsymbol{D}$  (and automatically **all higher powers**) can be expressed as a **linear combinations of  $\boldsymbol{I}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{D}$  and  $\boldsymbol{D}^2$** .

Hence, the **most general polynomial constitutive relation** is given by the 2<sup>nd</sup> order formula

$$\boldsymbol{\Xi} = \mathfrak{P}(\boldsymbol{D}) = \boldsymbol{\Xi}_0 + c_0 \boldsymbol{I} + c_1 \boldsymbol{D} + c_2 \boldsymbol{D}^2$$

## NEWTONIAN FLUIDS

The behavior of many fluids (water, air, others) can be described quite accurately by the linear constitutive relation. Such fluids are called **Newtonian fluids**.

For **Newtonian fluids** we assume that:

- $c_0$  is a linear function of the invariant  $I_1$ ,
- $c_1$  is a constant,
- $c_2 = 0$ .

If there is **no motion** we have the **Pascal Law**: pressure in any direction is the same. It means that the matrix  $\underline{\mathbf{E}}_0$  should correspond to a spherical tensor and

$$\underline{\mathbf{E}}_0 \mathbf{n} = -p \mathbf{n} \Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{E}}_0 = -p \mathbf{I}$$

The **constitutive relation for the Newtonian fluids** can be written as follows

$$\underline{\mathbf{E}} = -p \mathbf{I} + \underbrace{\zeta (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{I}}_{I_1(D)} + 2 \mu \mathbf{D}_{DEV} = -p \mathbf{I} + \underbrace{(\zeta - \frac{2}{3} \mu) (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{I}}_{c_0} + 2 \mu \mathbf{D}_{c_1}$$

where

- $\mu$  - **(shear) viscosity** (the physical unit in SI is kg/m·s)
- $\zeta$  - **bulk viscosity** (the same unit as  $\mu$ ) ; usually  $\zeta \ll \mu$  and can be assumed zero.

The constitutive relation can be written in the **index notation**

$$\sigma_{ij} = \left[ -p + \left( \zeta - \frac{2}{3} \mu \right) \frac{\partial v_k}{\partial x_k} \right] \delta_{ij} + \mu \left[ \frac{\partial v_i}{\partial x_j} + \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_i} \right]$$

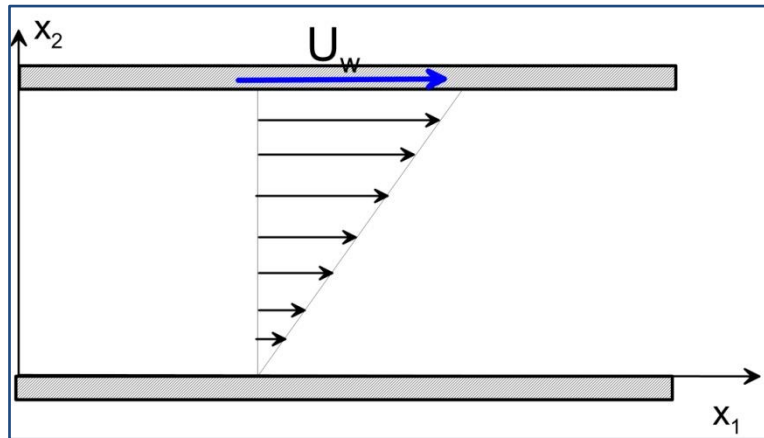
For an **incompressible fluid** we have  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} \equiv \text{div } \mathbf{v} \equiv \frac{\partial v_j}{\partial x_j} = 0$  and the constitutive relation reduces to the simpler form

$$\mathbf{E} = -p\mathbf{I} + 2\mu\mathbf{D}$$

or, in the index notation

$$\sigma_{ij} = -p\delta_{ij} + \mu \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} v_i + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} v_j \right]$$

**Example: Calculate the tangent stress in the wall shear layer.**



The velocity field is defined as follows:

$$v_1(x_1, x_2) = U_{wall} x_2 / H \quad , \quad v_2(x_1, x_2) \equiv 0$$

and the pressure is constant. At the bottom wall, the normal vector which points outwards is  $\mathbf{n} = [0, -1]$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\sigma} &= \mathbf{E}\mathbf{n} = -p \mathbf{n} + 2\mu\mathbf{D}\mathbf{n} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ p \end{bmatrix} + 2\mu \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x_1} \right) \\ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_2} + \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x_1} \right) & \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ p \end{bmatrix} + 2\mu \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\mu \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial x_2} \\ p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\mu U_w / H \\ p \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

According to the action-reaction principle, the tangent stress at the bottom wall is

$$\tau_{wall} = \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2} v_1 \Big|_{wall} = \frac{\mu U_w}{H}$$