

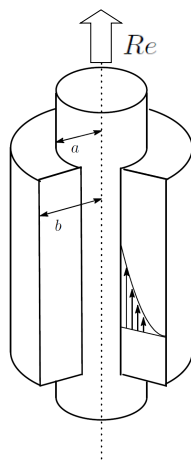
The sliding Couette flow problem

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Background

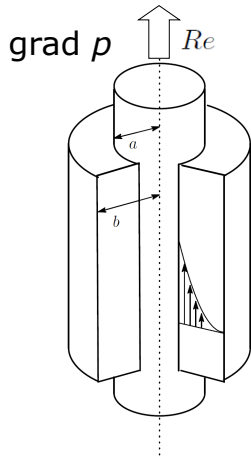
Sliding Couette flow



- Linearly stable
for $\eta > 0.1415$: Gittler(1993)
(η : radius ratio)
- Nonlinear solution:
not yet known
- Applications:
 - catheter through blood vessel
 - train through a tunnel

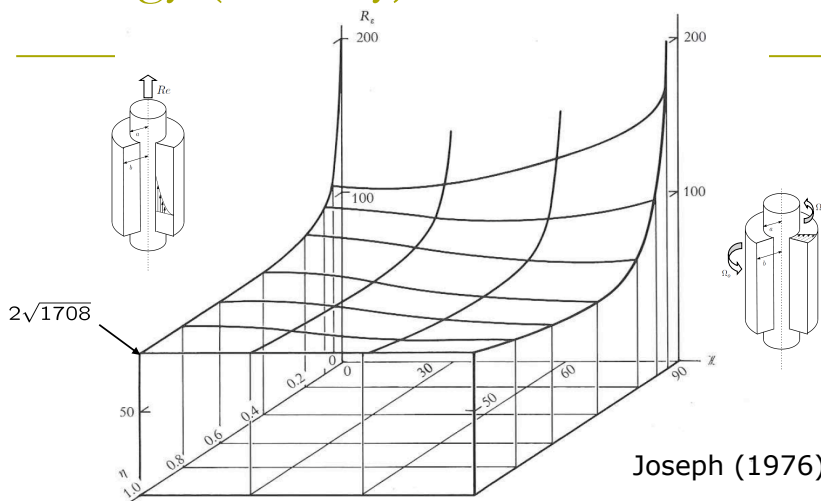
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Sliding Couette flow



- plane Couette flow
 - $\eta \rightarrow 1$
 - pipe flow
 - add axial pressure gradient
 - adjust Re
 - $\eta \rightarrow 0$
 - moderate η
- pCf with curvature + pf with solid core 1

Energy (stability) surface

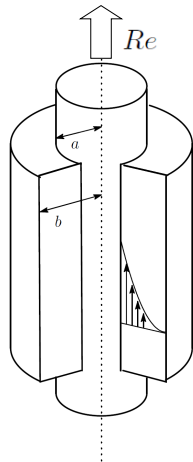


Joseph (1976)

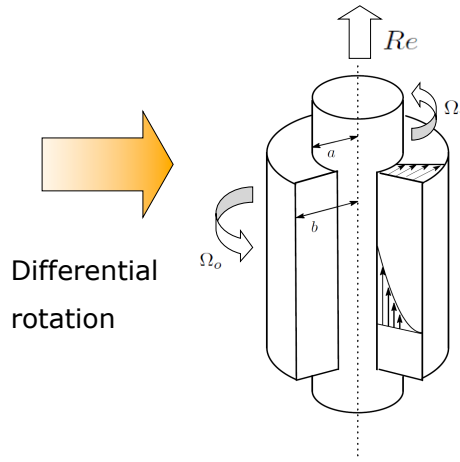
Fig. S2.1: Energy (stability) surface for Couette flow between rotating-sliding cylinders as a function of radius ratio, η , and the angle χ . Plane Couette flow in a rotating co-ordinate system is given by $\eta=1$; Couette flow in an annulus with no differential rotation is given by $\chi=0^\circ$; and Taylor flow is given by $\chi=90^\circ$. Because the circumferential wave-number, n , must be an integer, the above smooth surface is an approximation to the surface with discontinuous first derivatives. The smoothed-out version is barely distinguishable from the true surface (Joseph and Munson, 1970)

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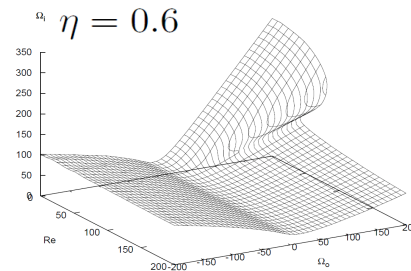
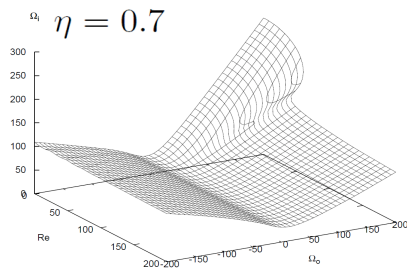
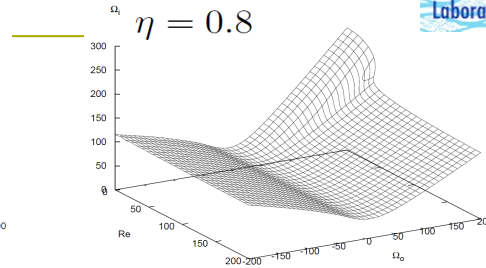
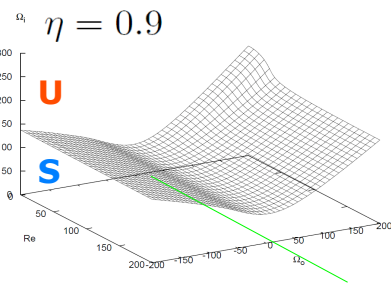


Spiral Couette Flow

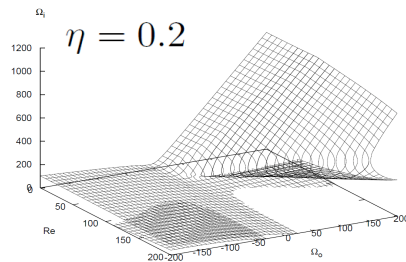
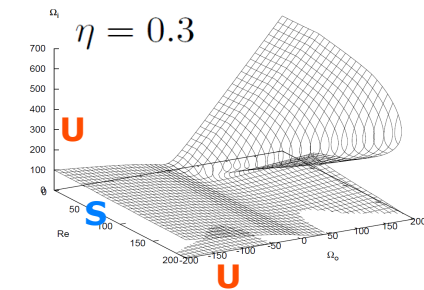
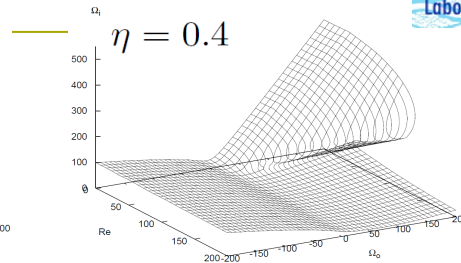
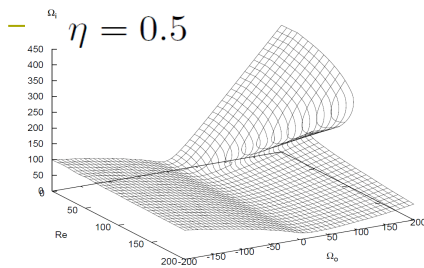


Differential rotation

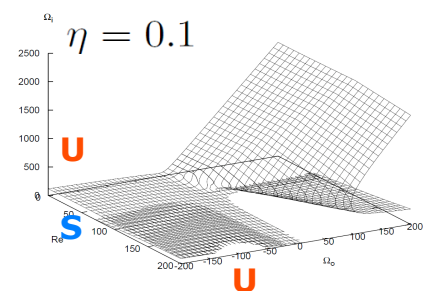
Neutral surface (1)



Neutral surface (2)



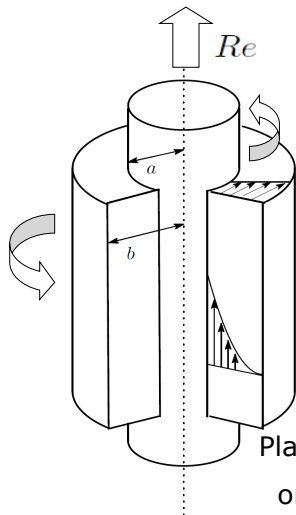
Neutral surface (3)



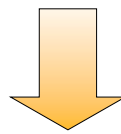
$$Re_L = 3.61E+06 \quad (\Omega_o = \Omega_i = 0)$$

Deguchi & MN : in preparation

Spiral Couette flow



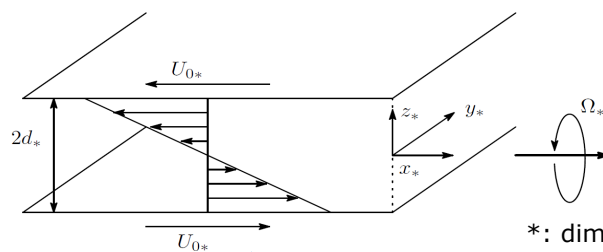
- Narrow gap limit
- Rigid-body rotation



Plane Couette flow with streamwise rotation
or Rotating plane Couette flow by Joseph (1976)

Model

- Incompressible fluid between two parallel plates with infinite extent
- Translational motion of the plates with opposite directions
- Constant streamwise system rotation

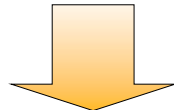


*: dimensional quantities

Energy method: Re_E

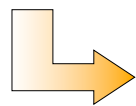
The *Reynolds-Orr* energy equation

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt_*} \langle |\mathbf{u}_*|^2 \rangle = -\nu_* \langle |\nabla_* \mathbf{u}_*|^2 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{u}_* \cdot (\mathbf{u}_* \cdot \nabla_*) \mathbf{u}_* \rangle$$



Nondimensionalise:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \langle |\mathbf{u}|^2 \rangle &= -\langle |\nabla \mathbf{u}|^2 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \rangle \\ &= -\left(\frac{\langle |\nabla \mathbf{u}|^2 \rangle}{\langle -\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \rangle} - 1 \right) \langle -\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} \rangle \end{aligned}$$



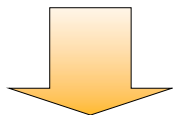
$$\begin{aligned} Re_E &= \inf \left\{ \frac{\langle |\nabla \mathbf{u}|^2 \rangle}{\langle u_x u_z \rangle} \right\} \\ \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Energy method: Re_E



$$R(\mathbf{u}, \pi) = \frac{\langle |\nabla \mathbf{u}|^2 - 2\pi \nabla \mathbf{u} \rangle}{\langle u_x u_z \rangle}$$

Euler-Lagrange equation $\nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \nabla \pi + \frac{1}{2} R(u_z \hat{\mathbf{i}} + u_x \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = 0$



$(\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0, \phi \propto e^{i\beta y} f(z))$
eliminating ψ

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \beta^2 \right)^3 + \frac{1}{4} R^2 \beta^2 \right\} f(z) = 0$$

boundary condition

$$\phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \beta^2 \right)^2 \phi = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad z = \pm 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} Re_E &= 20.6625 \\ \beta &= 1.558 \end{aligned}$$

Governing equations

time scale: d_*^2/ν_* length scale: d_* velocity scale: ν_*/d_*

- equation of continuity

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

- momentum equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = -\nabla \Pi + \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} - \boldsymbol{\Omega} \times \mathbf{u}$$

- boundary condition

$$u = \mp R_x \quad \text{at} \quad z = \pm 1$$

- basic solution

$$u_b(z) = -R_x z$$

Reynolds number	$R_x = \frac{U_{0*} d_*}{\nu_*}$
Rotation rate	$\Omega = \frac{2\Omega_* d_*^2}{\nu_*}$

Disturbance equations

separation of the velocity field into basic flow, mean flows and residual

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}_b + \tilde{U}(z)\mathbf{i} + \tilde{V}(z)\mathbf{j} + \tilde{\mathbf{u}}$$

Further decomposition of the residual into poloidal and toroidal parts

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \nabla \times \nabla \times (\phi \mathbf{k}) + \nabla \times (\psi \mathbf{k})$$



substitute into the momentum equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \\ & \mathbf{k} \cdot (\nabla \times \nabla \times \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla^2 \Delta_2 \phi &= \left(\nabla^4 + (u_b + \tilde{U})'' \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \tilde{V}'' \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - (u_b + \tilde{U}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nabla^2 - \tilde{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \nabla^2 \right) \Delta_2 \phi \\ &\quad - \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Delta_2 \psi - \mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla \times \nabla \times [\tilde{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}] \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Delta_2 \psi &= \left((u_b + \tilde{U})' \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \tilde{V}' \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Delta_2 \phi \\ &\quad + \left(\nabla^2 - (u_b + \tilde{U}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \tilde{V} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \Delta_2 \psi + \mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla \times [\tilde{\mathbf{u}} \cdot \nabla \tilde{\mathbf{u}}] \end{aligned}$$

Mean flow equations

x, y -averages of the x, y components of the momentum equation

$$\check{U}'' + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \overline{\Delta_2 \phi \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial x} \phi + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \psi \right)} = \frac{\partial \check{U}}{\partial t}$$

$$\check{V}'' + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \overline{\Delta_2 \phi \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial y} \phi - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \psi \right)} = \frac{\partial \check{V}}{\partial t}$$

$$\overline{*} = \frac{\alpha \beta}{4\pi^2} \int_0^{2\pi/\alpha} \int_0^{2\pi/\beta} * dx dy$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\check{U} = \check{V} = \phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \psi = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad z = \pm 1$$

Linear stability analysis

Perturbation equations

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla^2 \Delta_2 \phi = \left(\nabla^4 + u_b'' \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - u_b \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nabla^2 \right) \Delta_2 \phi - \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Delta_2 \psi$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Delta_2 \psi = \left(u_b' \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Delta_2 \phi + \left(\nabla^2 - u_b \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Delta_2 \psi$$

expansion of ϕ, ψ

$$\phi = \sum_{l=0}^L a_l (1 - z^2)^2 T_l(z) \exp[i\alpha x + i\beta y + \sigma t]$$

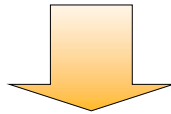
$$\psi = \sum_{l=0}^L b_l (1 - z^2) T_l(z) \exp[i\alpha x + i\beta y + \sigma t]$$

$T_l(z)$: Chebyshev polynomials

Numerical method (Linear analysis)

Evaluation of ϕ, ψ at the collocation points

$$z_i = \cos\left(\frac{i\pi}{L+2}\right) \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, L+1)$$



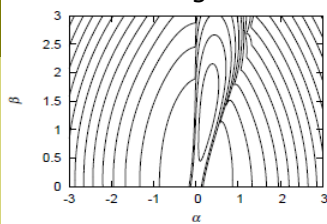
$$Ax = \sigma Bx \quad x = (a, b)^T$$

Eigenvalue problem

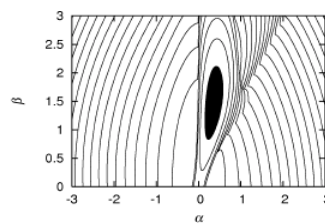
$\Re(\sigma) > 0$	unstable
$\Re(\sigma) = 0$	neutral
$\Re(\sigma) < 0$	stable

Results ($\Omega = 40$)

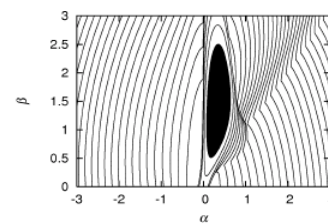
Unstable region: dark



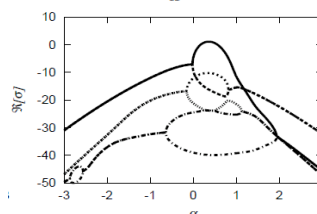
$R_x = 20$



$R_x = 30$



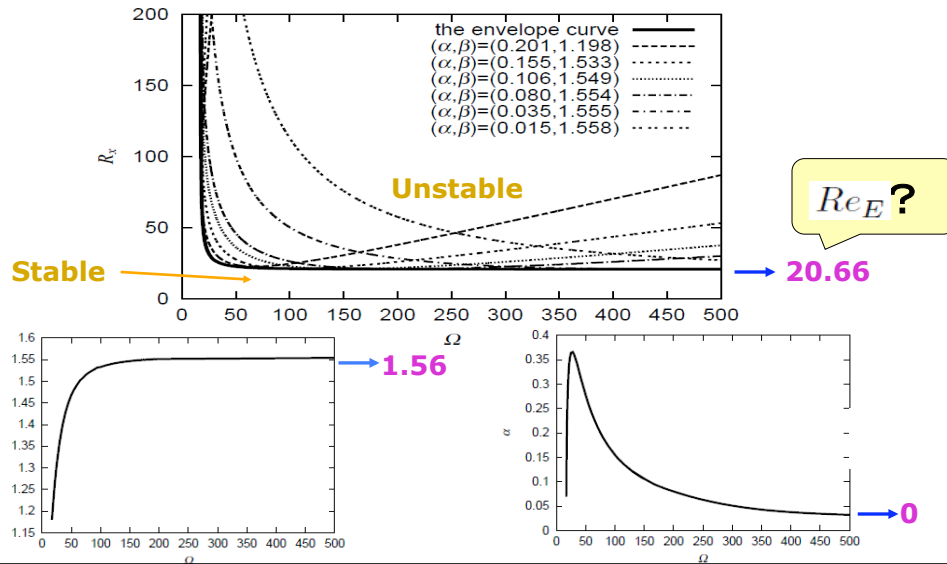
$R_x = 50$



A few largest eigenvalues

$$R_x = 30 \quad \beta = 1.5$$

Results (neutral curves)



Results

The critical wave number and the critical Reynolds number

Ω	Critical wave number (α_c, β_c)	Critical Reynolds number
18	(0.201, 1.198)	75.770525
20	(0.301, 1.233)	45.802127
30	(0.362, 1.358)	26.961652
40	(0.321, 1.427)	23.798557
50	(0.278, 1.468)	22.573006
100	(0.155, 1.533)	21.112391
200	(0.080, 1.554)	20.773511
500	(0.032, 1.554)	20.680340

Long wave limit with constant β

consider $\Omega \rightarrow \infty, \alpha \rightarrow 0$

$$0 = \left(\nabla^4 + R_x z \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \nabla^2 \right) \Delta_2 \phi - \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \Delta_2 \psi$$

$$0 = \left(-R_x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \Omega_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Delta_2 \phi + \left(\nabla^2 + R_x z \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) \Delta_2 \psi$$

$$\Omega \sim \Omega_{-1} \frac{1}{\alpha} + \Omega_0 + \Omega_1 \alpha + \Omega_2 \alpha^2 \dots$$

$$R_x \sim R_0 + R_1 \alpha + R_2 \alpha^2 \dots$$

$$\phi \sim \phi_0 + \phi_1 \alpha + \phi_2 \alpha^2 \dots$$

$$\psi \sim \psi_0 + \psi_1 \alpha + \psi_2 \alpha^2 \dots$$

Long wave limit with constant β

α^0 :

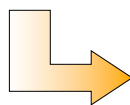
$$\nabla^4 \Delta_2 \phi_0 - i \Omega_{-1} \Delta_2 \psi_0 = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \Delta_2 \psi_0 + i (\Omega_{-1} - R_0 \beta) \Delta_2 \phi_0 = 0$$

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \beta^2 \right)^3 + \Omega' (R_0 - \Omega') \beta^2 \right\} \phi_0(z) = 0$$

boundary condition

$$\phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \beta^2 \right)^2 \phi = 0 \quad \text{at } z = \pm 1 \quad \frac{\Omega_{-1}}{\beta} = \Omega'$$



$$\begin{aligned} Re_L &= 20.6625 \\ \Omega' &= 10.3312 \\ \beta &= 1.558 \end{aligned}$$

$$Re_E = 20.6625$$

Non-linear Analysis

Expand:

$$\phi = \sum_{l=0}^L \sum_{\substack{m=-M \\ (m,n) \neq (0,0)}}^M \sum_{n=-N}^N a_{lmn} (1-z^2)^2 T_l(z) \exp(im\alpha x + in\beta y)$$

$$\psi = \sum_{l=0}^L \sum_{\substack{m=-M \\ (m,n) \neq (0,0)}}^M \sum_{n=-N}^N b_{lmn} (1-z)^2 T_l(z) \exp(im\alpha x + in\beta y)$$

$$\check{U}(z) = \sum_{l=0}^L c_l (1-z)^2 T_l(z)$$

$$\check{V}(z) = \sum_{l=0}^L d_l (1-z)^2 T_l(z)$$

Boundary condition

$$\check{U} = \check{V} = \phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} = \psi = 0 \quad \text{at} \quad z = \pm 1$$

Non-linear Analysis

Evaluate at

$$z_i = \cos\left(\frac{i\pi}{L+2}\right), \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, L+1)$$



$$A_{ij}x_j + B_{ijk}x_jx_k = 0, \quad x_j \in (a_{lmn}, b_{lmn}, c_l, d_l)$$

Solve by Newton-Raphson method

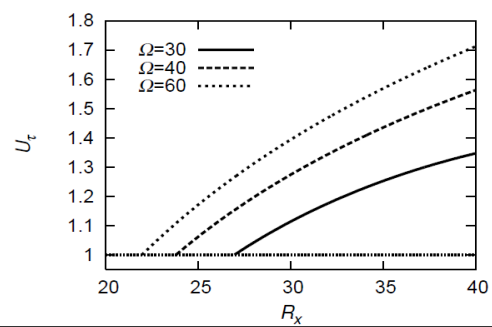
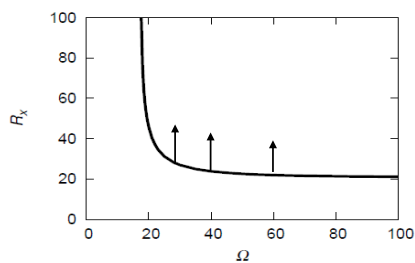
Nonlinear solution (bifurcation diagram)



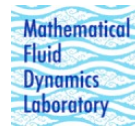
momentum transport

$$U_\tau = \left. \frac{\partial \tilde{U}}{\partial z} \right|_{z=1}$$

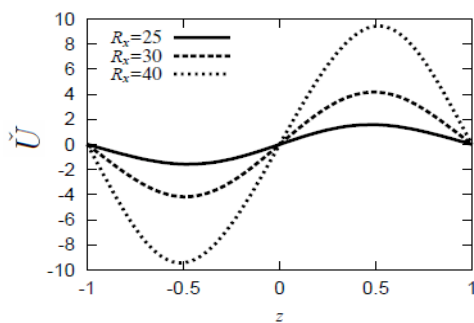
Ω	α	β	Critical Reynolds number
30	0.362	1.358	26.9616
40	0.321	1.427	23.7985
60	0.242	1.492	21.9562



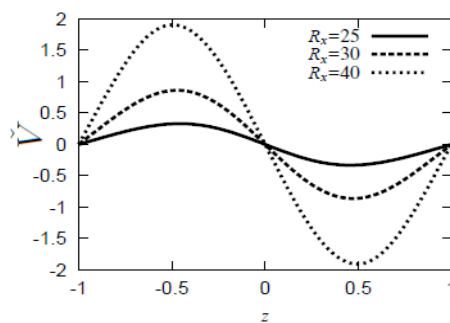
Mean flows



$(\alpha, \beta) = (0.242, 1.492), \Omega = 60$



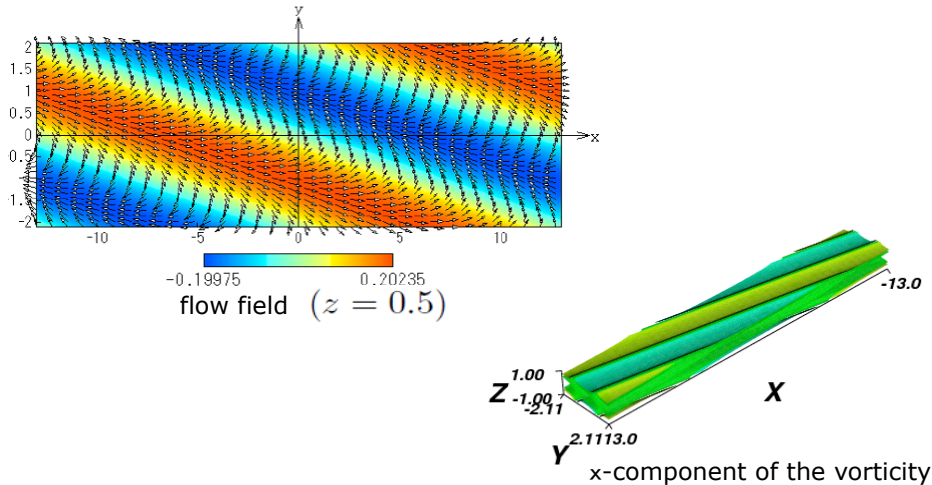
The mean flow \tilde{U}



The mean flow \tilde{V}

Steady spiral solution

$$(\alpha, \beta) = (0.242, 1.492), R = 22, \Omega = 40$$



Summary

Stability analysis:

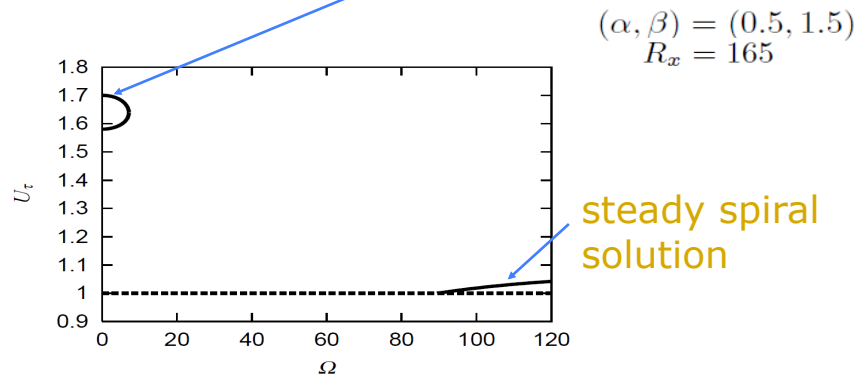
- Basic state is stable for small rotation and becomes unstable at $\Omega \sim 17$ to 3D perturbations.
- As Ω is increased, Re_L increases.
- $Re_E = Re_L$ in the limit of $\Omega \rightarrow \infty$ and $\alpha \rightarrow 0$.

Nonlinear analysis

- Steady spiral solution bifurcates supercritically as a secondary flow.
- The mean flow in the spanwise direction is created.

Future work

- Connection with the 3-D solution of plane Couette flow without rotation

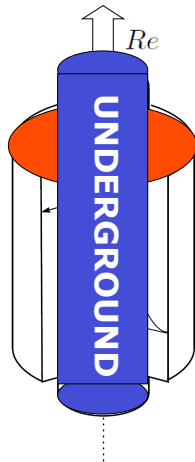


- Connection with cylindrical geometry

End

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Sliding Couette flow

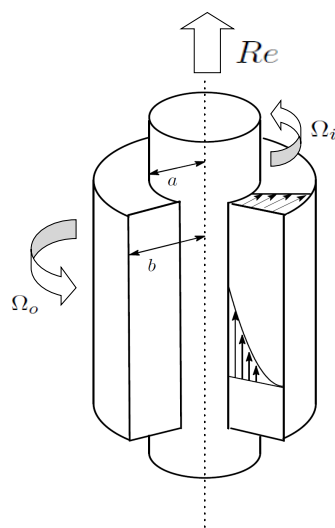


- Linearly stable for $\eta > 0.14.15$: Gittler(1993)

(η : radius ratio)

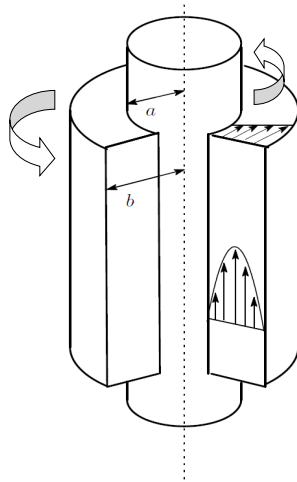
- Nonlinear solution: not yet known
- Applications:
 - catheter through blood vessel
 - train through a tunnel

Spiral Couette flow



- radius ratio: η

Spiral Poiseuille flow



Spiral Poiseuille flow (Joseph)

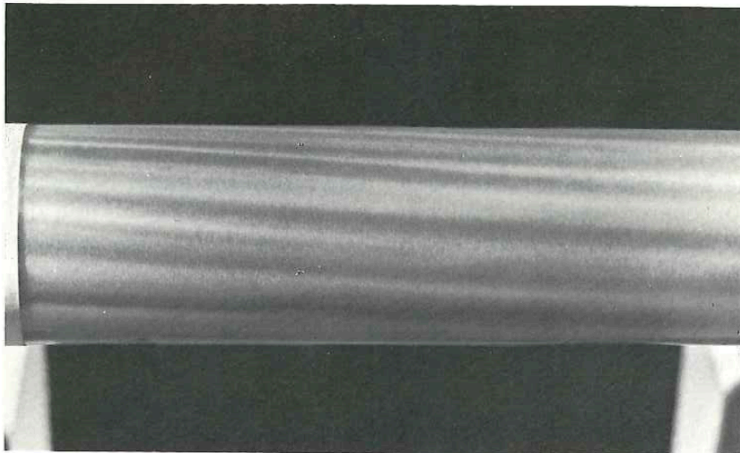


Fig. 46.3: Spiral vortices in rotating Poiseuille flow down the annulus with $\eta=0.625$. The flow is from right to left. The operating conditions for the flow are $N_{R\theta}=3120$, $N_{RZ}=220$ and $\Gamma=14.18$ (Nagib, 1972)

Spiral Poiseuille flow (Joseph)

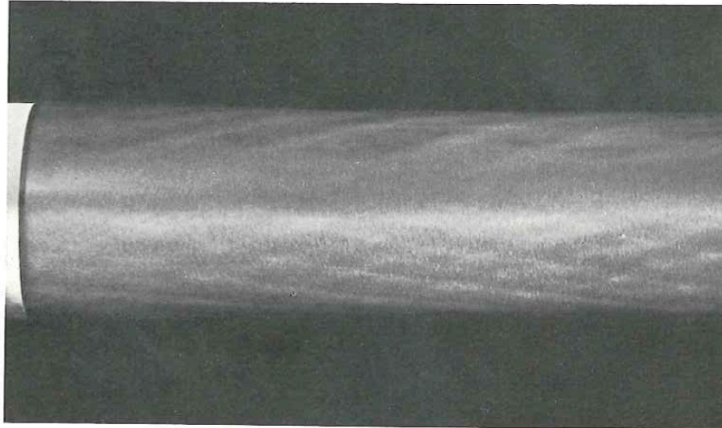
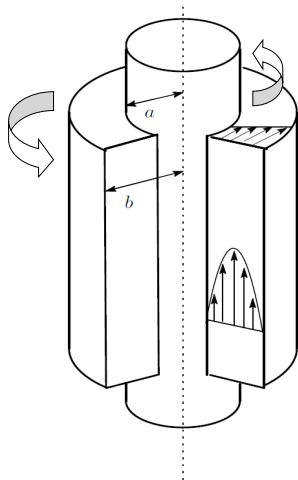
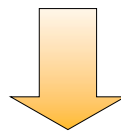


Fig. 46.4: Spiral vortices in rotating Poiseuille flow down the annulus. This figure shows two sets of vortices: an outer set and an inner set. The outer set is near to the outer cylinder and it dominates this photograph but less strongly than in Fig. 46.3. The spiral vortices near the inner wall are also visible. The two sets appear to make an equal and opposite angle with the axis. The flow is from right to left. The operating conditions for the flow are $N_{R\theta} = 2000$, $N_{RZ} = 340$ and $\Gamma = 5.88$ (Nagib, 1972)

Spiral Poiseuille flow



- Narrow gap limit
- Rigid-body rotation



Plane Poiseuille flow with streamwise rotation
Masuda, Fukuda & Nagata (2008)

Governing equations

- equation of continuity

$$\nabla_* \cdot \mathbf{u}_* = 0$$

- momentum equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}_*}{\partial t_*} + (\mathbf{u}_* \cdot \nabla_*) \mathbf{u}_* = -\frac{1}{\rho_*} \nabla_* \Pi_* + \nu_* \nabla_*^2 \mathbf{u}_* - \boxed{2\boldsymbol{\Omega}_* \times \mathbf{u}_*}$$

- boundary condition

$$u_* = \mp U_{0*} \quad \text{at} \quad z_* = \pm 1$$

↓
Coriolis force

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_* = (\Omega_{x_*}, 0, 0)$$

ρ_* density

ν_* kinematic viscosity

Π_* pressure