• Instructor in Charge

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• Guest Lecturer

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• Homework

There will be about 6 problem sets; typically a new problem set will be handed out every other week and you will have two weeks to work on it

• Exams

There will be a mid-term quiz and a final quiz but no final exam. Both quizzes will be take-home

• Grading

The homework, mid-term and final will count equally (1/3 of the grade) towards the final grade

• Textbook

The subject will be based on the material presented in the lectures. There is no required textbook. A set of Lecture Notes (prepared by Professor C.C. Mei) is available in the subject website. A list of books placed on reserve in Barker Library and other references is provided on a separate sheet

1.63J/2.26J Advanced Fluid Dynamics

Outline

I. Introduction

Organization, scope of subject. Review of basic principles: flow kinematics, strain and vorticity; mass, momentum and energy conservation; Navier–Stokes equations; vorticity dynamics; scaling and approximations; Rayleigh problem

II. Creeping flows

Lubrication approximation for thin fluid layer; gravitational spreading. Stokes flow past a sphere, Stokeslet; slender bodies, G.I. Taylor problem. Oseen's equations

III. Boundary-layer theory

Boundary-layer equations; method for finding similarity solutions; integral methods and unsteady boundary layers; oscillatory boundary layers, streaming

IV. Dispersion in shear flows

Taylor dispersion of passive solvent; effective diffusivity

V. Rotating and stratified flows

Centrifugal and Coriolis forces; Taylor–Proudman theorem, Taylor columns; inertial waves. Buoyancy frequency; internal waves

VI. Flows in porous media

Darcy's law; Saffman–Taylor instability

Module I: Introduction to hydrodynamic stability (6 lectures)

Kelvin–Helmholtz instability; capillary instability of liquid jet; absolute vs. convective instability; stability of nearly-parallel flows; combined effects of shear and stratification, Miles–Howard theorem; centrifugal and other instabilities; nonlinear effects

Module II: Fluid dynamics and biolocomotion (6 lectures by Prof. P. Hosoi, Guest lecturer)

Strategies that biological organisms – such as fish, microorganisms, clams and snails – employ for locomotion; swimming across a range of Reynolds numbers, digging (i.e. moving through yield stress fluids), and crawling

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