#### **Ideas From Classical Aerodynamics**



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# Outline

- What we want from aerodynamics
- Basic Ideas from 2-D
- Differences between 2-D and 3-D
- The Importance of Unsteadiness?

# What is aerodynamics?

 aero-dy-nam-ics : a branch of dynamics that deals with the motion of air and other gaseous fluids and with the forces acting on bodies in motion relative to such fluids

Source: Merriam Webster's Dictionary.

# What Forces and Moments?

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#### Lift, drag, pitching moment

# **Governing Principles**

#### What we want:

Predict forces and moments on a body due to motions relative to a fluid

What we have:

A fluid which obeys physical laws: **conservation of mass**, **conservation of momentum** and conservation of energy.

## Newton's Laws

- Force = mass \* acceleration.
  - What is acceleration?
    - Change in velocity over time
    - Change in direction over time
- For a non-accelerating body, every force has an equal and opposite reaction.

# Newton's Laws Applied : Force on fluid causes acceleration



www.vis.uni-stuttgart.de/.../ html/Main/flow.html

### Newton's Laws Applied : Force On Fluid



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# **Non-Dimensional Coefficients**

- Lift Coefficient
  - $C_L = L/(0.5*\rho*U^2S)$
  - $C_L = f(AoA, Camber/c, Re, LE Radius/c)$
- Drag coefficient
  - $C_D = D/(0.5*\rho*U^2S)$
  - $C_D = f(AoA, Camber/c, Re, LE Radius/c)$
- Reynold's Number
  - $Re = (\rho^*U^*L)/\mu$

# Lift vs. Lift Coefficient

- If we know  $C_L$ 
  - $L = C_L (0.5 * \rho * U^2 S)$
- So, we can test a smaller model (or larger model) and still be able to predict the behaviour of an untestable subject!









# **Bernoulli Equation**

Bernoulli's equation (for an *inviscid*, *incompressible* flow):

$$P_1 + \frac{1}{2}\rho(U_1)^2 = C = P_2 + \frac{1}{2}\rho(U_2)^2$$

Applied from point 1 to point 2, along a streamline.

Flow velocity will increase as fluid travels from higher pressure region to lower pressure region.

### Where does lift come from?



How do we change the Lift Coefficient to our advantage?





Abbott and Von DoenHoff, Theory of Wing Sections, Dover Publications, 1959



### **Camber in Actual Airfoils**

Abbott and Von DoenHoff, Theory of Wing Sections, Dover Publications, 1959



2% Camber

0% Camber

### **Effects of Camber**



# **Other Camber Augementers**



 http://www.virtualskies.arc.nasa.gov/aerona utics/tutorial/images/flap,slat,spoiler.gif



http://www.totalwind.net/windsurf/wp-content/uploads/finian-maynard-record.jpg

### But...one big problem! SEPARATION



Prandtl, L. Strömungslehre. Vieweg, Braunschweig, 1956



# Boundary layers...

• What causes the boundary layers?



# What Causes Separation?



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# Separation...



http://users.pandora.be/elvo/c7/turbulent.gif

## Separation and Stall



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# Sources of DRAG in 2D

# One obvious source...**SEPARATION**



Prandtl, L. Strömungslehre. Vieweg, Braunschweig, 1956

### Separation and Boundary Layer Type



http://www.aerospaceweb.org/question/aerodynamics/sports/sphere-flow-comparison.jpg

# **Pressure/Form Drag**

- The drag due to separation effects is Pressure/Form drag.
  - Want to minimize separation
    - Turbulent boundary layer
    - Change the shape!



## Another Form of Drag... Friction Drag

• Turbulent vs. Laminar boundary Layers:



# Drag

#### Friction Drag

- Lower for *LAMINAR FLOWS*
- Higher for *TURBUENT FLOWS*

#### Pressure Drag

- Larger Wake = More Drag
  - Want streamline bodies
- Separation delayed for turbulent flows (less drag)
- Earlier separation in laminar flow (more drag)

# Reynold's Number

 Reynold's number plays a significant role in the prediction of laminar vs. turbulent flow (Reynold's number = indication of dynamic similitude)

 $Re = (\rho^*U^*L)/\mu$ 

- Ratio of inertia forces/viscous forces
- At low Re, viscous forces dominate, while at high Re inertial forces dominate.
- BUT...

### How do we make a Turbulent BL?



# Laminar Separation Bubbles





Wake Vortex Study at Wallops Island NASA Langley Research Center

Image # EL-1996-00130

# What's Going On?



#### The vortices trailing the wings produce downwash!!!!

1) Flow from the lower side (Higher Pressure – HP) side wants to "leak" to the low pressure side of the wing

2) At the wing tips this leakage starts (the flow on the upper surface flows inwards Along the wing, while the flow on the lower surface flows outwards)

3) Vorticity is released at the trailing edge





### Ramifications of Downwash



# What does this mean?

• Induced Drag:

• 
$$C_D = C_{Dpro} + (C_L)^2 / [\pi(AR)e]$$
  
•  $C_D = C_{Dpro} + C_{Di}$ 

• Lift Reduction:

•  $C_L = 2\pi \alpha / (1 + 2/AR)(1 + \tau)$ 

### **Aspect Ratio**





# e: Oswald's Efficiency





# Lift Distribution...

- For level flight, minimum induced drag occurs when the lift distribution is elliptical.
  - Either:
    - a) The wing shape is elliptical
    - b) The incidence angle produces an elliptical lift.

# **Other 3-D Effects**

• LEV's. Vortex induced lift.





J.D.Anderson, Fundamentals of Aerodynamics, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, McGraw Hill, 1991

# So WHAT?!

• We've got all this lift/drag etc. garbage...

– How to use it?

# **Range & Endurance Equations**

- Range =  $(1/c) \frac{C_L/C_D}{\eta_{overall}} \ln(w_i/w_f)$ 
  - Max efficiency
  - Max  $C_L/C_D$
- Endurance =  $(\eta_{overall}/c) (C_L^{3/2}/C_D) sqrt(2*\rho*S)(1/w_f 1/w_i)$ 
  - Max efficiency
  - Max density (ie. Sea level)
  - Large  $(C_L^{3/2}/C_D)$ : Fly at a velocity where this occurs

# **Unsteady Aerodynamics**



# Finite Wing Start-Up Flow





# Starting Vortex Effect



## Starting Vortex Effect



# Acceleration of the Fluid



### **Startup Flow Comparisons**



# **Finite Wing Heave Oscillations**



### **Slow Heave Oscillations**



### **Fast Heave Oscillations**



# Example: Flapping Wing Simulations

- Solve Hall et al. method for optimal vorticity wake
- Determine the zero lift flapping wing geometry
- Augment it with the local angle of attack predicted by Hall et. al. method.



# Flapping Flight Results



**Vortex Particles** 

**Vorticity Vectors** 

# Conclusions

- Used physical conservation principles to gain insight into fluid flow
- Saw that in 3-D the system of trailing vortices plays an important role:
  - Reduces lift and increases drag
- Unsteady effects are complicated due to vorticity "distributions" and added mass acceleration effects.