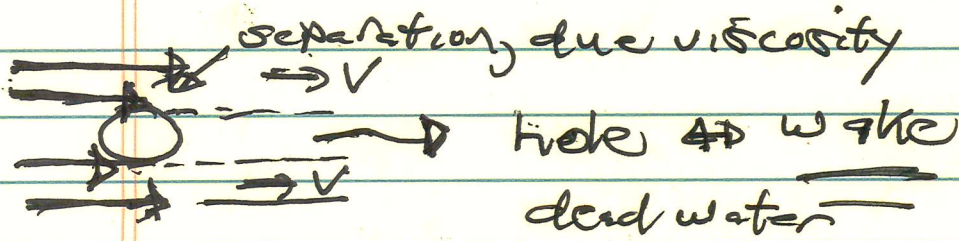


Notes 4d: Kelvin-Helmholtz

Consider higher Re # Flow over sphere

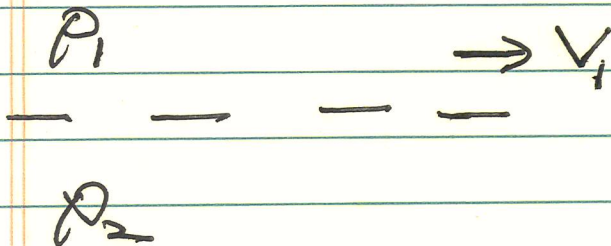


no slip

but hole fills in \downarrow — how

- viscous diffusion
- stability

→ motivates KH instability = interface in flow

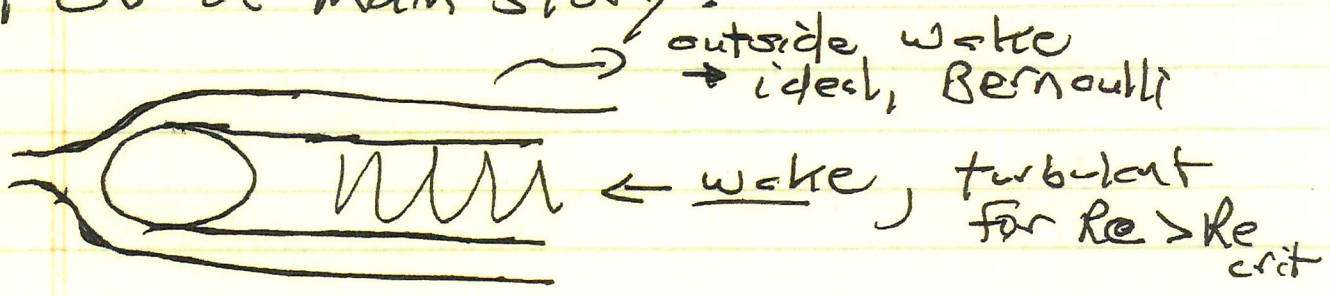


tangential discontinuity
(limit of shear layer)

→ Kelvin-Helmholtz stability of discontinuity ↑



Recall DV of main story:



- with ~~no-slip~~ no-slip B.C.'s, $v_n|_{surf} = v_t|_{surf} = 0$ how does wake fill in?

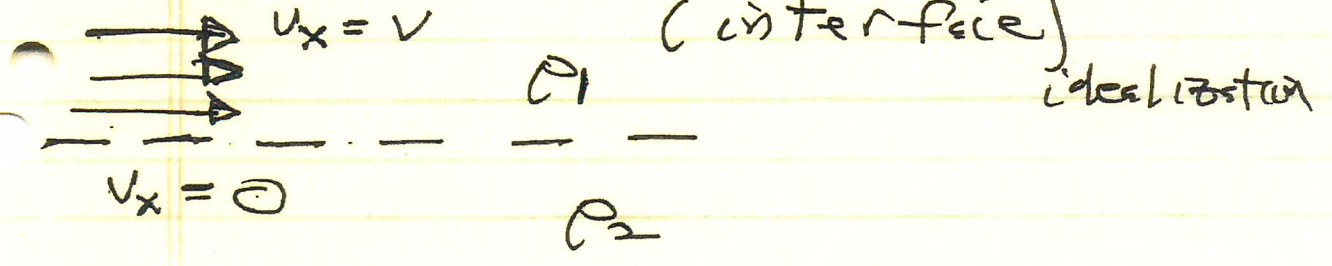
separation happens, wake forms

- separation → instability → turbulence. How?

Instability ⇒ Kelvin-Helmholtz

⇒ free energy → DV — flow shear

⇒ simplification: shear layer (interface)



Note:

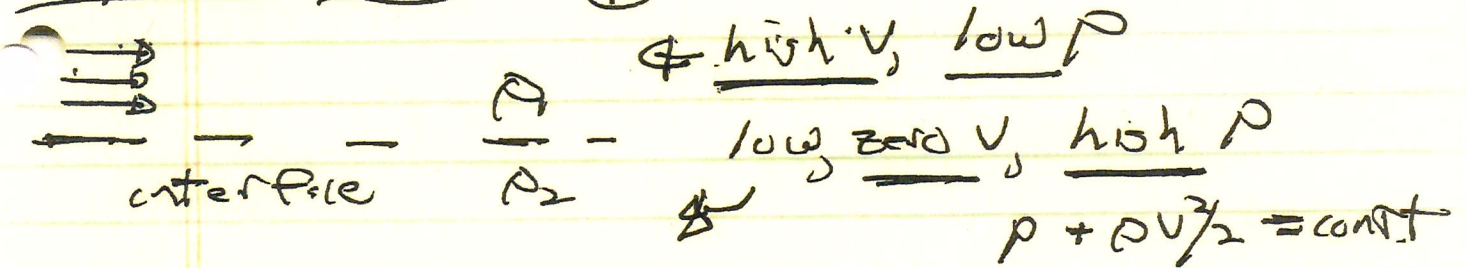
Classic example of interfacial instability.

$\rightarrow \nabla v = 0$, except interface

\rightarrow vorticity $\partial v_x / \partial z$ localized to interface *

\Rightarrow can play game of R-T, now with v, η .

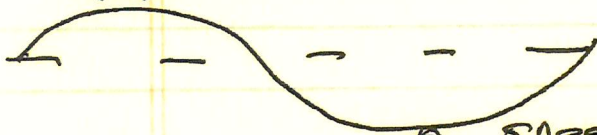
Physical ideas: ①



② δv perturbation \rightarrow ripple interface

$\delta v < 0$

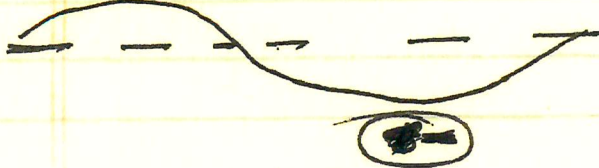
\ominus bring on slow fluid δv



\oplus speeds up \rightarrow fast drag in $\delta v > 0$

so Bernoulli \Rightarrow

\oplus $\delta p > 0$ δp $\delta p > 0$



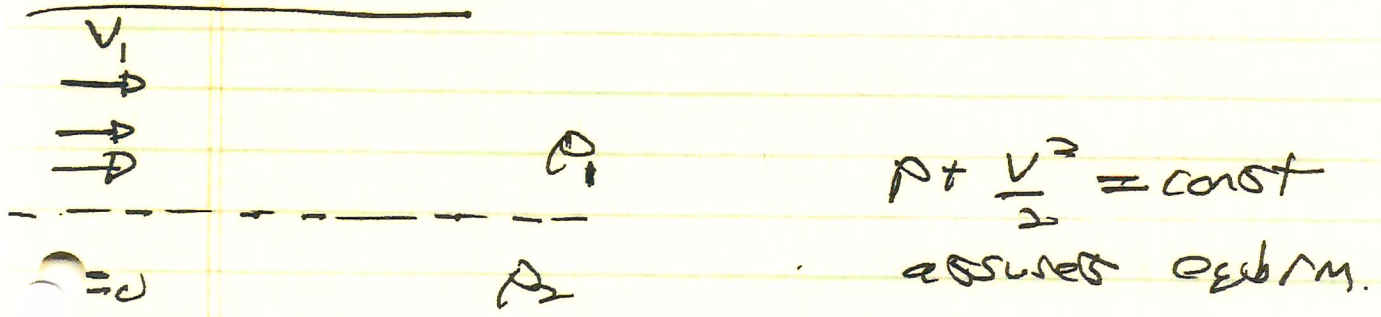
$\delta p < 0$

\ominus $\delta p < 0$

but $\delta A > 0 \Rightarrow \delta V < 0$, further \rightarrow c.e. re-entrant critical perturbation
 \rightarrow unstable

\Rightarrow KH instability drives viscous mixing via turbulence, mixing, billows, etc.

To calculate:



so, as before:

$$\nabla \cdot \underline{v} = 0$$

$$\underline{v} = \nabla \phi \quad \underline{\omega} = 0, \text{ except interface}$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

\Rightarrow wave along interface.

$$\phi = \sum_k \phi_k e^{i k x} e^{-k|z|} e^{-i \omega_k t}$$

decays away from interface.

as before:

$$\tilde{P}_1(z_+) = \tilde{P}_2(z_-)$$

$\eta \rightarrow$ interface ripple displacement

and
$$\left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \right|_1 = \left. \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \right|_2$$

$$\frac{d\eta}{dt} = v_{z1}$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{v}}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \underline{v} = -\frac{\nabla p}{\rho}$$

$$\partial_t \tilde{v}_{z1} + v_0 \partial_x \tilde{v}_{z1} = -\frac{\partial_z p_1}{\rho_1} = \frac{k_z \tilde{p}_1}{\rho_1}$$

$$\partial_t \tilde{v}_{z2} + 0 = -\frac{\partial_z p_2}{\rho_2} = -\frac{k_z \tilde{p}_2}{\rho_2}$$

$$-i(\Omega - kV_1) \tilde{v}_1 = \frac{k_z}{\rho_1} \tilde{p}_1$$

$$-i\Omega \tilde{v}_2 = -\frac{k_z}{\rho_2} \tilde{p}_2$$

III

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ k_z \end{pmatrix} - c(\Omega - kv_0) \tilde{V}_1 = c\Omega \frac{\rho_2}{k_z} \tilde{V}_2$$

but $\tilde{V}_{z1}(0) = \partial_t \eta + v_0 \partial_x \eta$

$$\tilde{V}_{z2}(0) = \partial_t \eta$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ k_z \end{pmatrix} [-c(\Omega - kv_0)] [-c(\Omega - kv_0)] \eta$$

$$= c\Omega \frac{\rho_2}{k_z} (-c\Omega \eta)$$

$$\frac{\rho_1}{k} - (kv - \Omega)^2 \eta = \Omega^2 \frac{\rho_2}{k} \eta$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\rho_1}{k} (kv - \Omega)^2 = \frac{\rho_2}{k} \Omega^2}$$

$$\frac{\rho_1}{k} (kv - \omega)^2 = \frac{\rho_2}{k} \omega^2$$

$$\omega = kv \left(\frac{\rho_1 + i(\rho_1 \rho_2)^{1/2}}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right)$$

III

$$\gamma \sim kv \frac{\sqrt{\rho_1 \rho_2}}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \rightarrow \underline{\underline{KH \text{ growth}}}$$

note $\omega_r \sim kv \left(\frac{\rho_1}{\rho_1 + \rho_2} \right)$

no "exchange of stabilities" here. ↓

— $\rho_1 = \rho_2 \quad \gamma = \frac{kv}{2}$

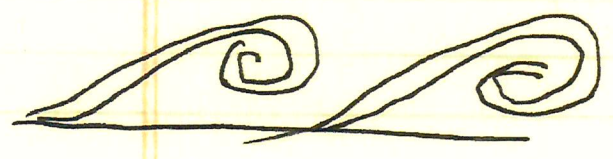
generally $\gamma \sim k(\Delta v)$



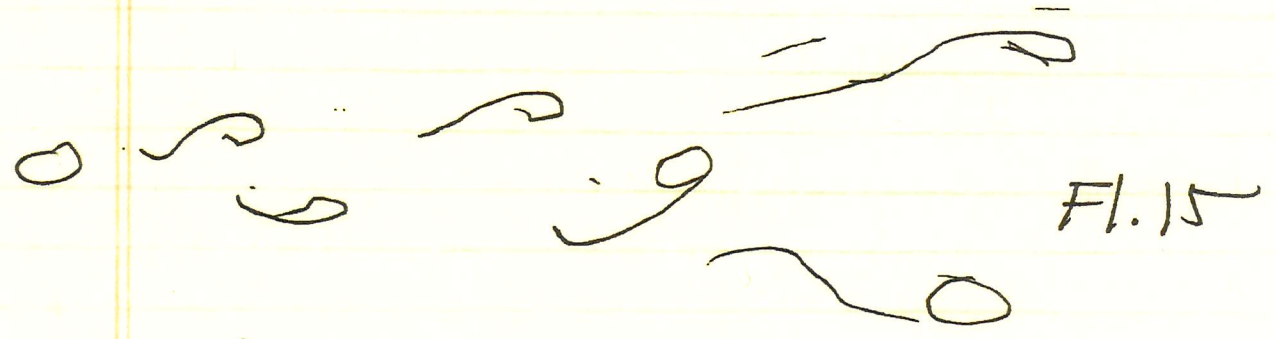
→ what happens?

→ vortex roll-up, billow

F 2.3, F 2.4

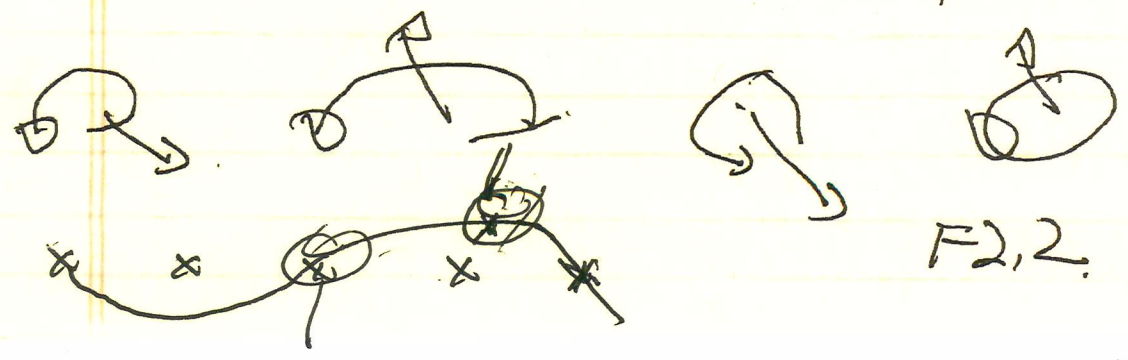


→ Van-Karman vortex street



~~top~~

→ n.b. array vortex lines unstable w/r displacements as shown



Array vortices unstable if vert. maximum.

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