## 23. Particles 1: trajectories

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Today: Particles: Interaction with flow

# **II Particles**

#### **Heavy seeding**

Number density high enough to look like a dye Similar considerations to dyes: 1)Particles must track with the flow Big difference from dyes Dyes are molecules, track with the flow just fine.

2)Want particles to NOT disturb flow 3)Want particles to show up - HIGH VISIBILITY

## 1) When will particles track well, be good tracers?

Clicker: Consider a curved streamline in a **horizontal plane**. Consider a small particle, much denser than the fluid. We are looking down on the trajectories; don't worry about gravity; it will just cause a slow drift out of the plane

What will the particle path look like compared to the fluid path?



A: into the curve B: along the streamline C: tangent to the streamline D: outside the streamline

E: opposite to the curve

	2024	2023
А	0	6%
В	15	44
С	31	44
D	54	6
E	0	0

Next, consider same scenario, but a bubble instead of a particle.



A: into the curve B: along the streamline C: tangent to the streamline D: outside the streamline E: opposite to the curve

	2024	2023
А	31	50%
В	54	50
С	0	0
D	8	0
E	8	0

Ever been hit in the back of the head by a balloon when you are accelerating in a car? http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XXpURFYgR2E

For particles (or bubbles) to track with the surrounding fluid, they must accelerate the same as the neighboring fluid

What are the forces on particle?



First, assume a pressure gradient acting on a spherical particle and fluid blob, same size:



A) The net forces on the particle and fluid are the same

- B) The net force on the particle is greater than on the fluidC) The net force on the fluid is greater than on the particle

Which particle will accelerate more in this pressure gradient?

- A) They will accelerate the same
- B) The particle will accelerate more C) The fluid will accelerate more
- 2024 А 7% в 14 С 79



Α В

С

2024 67%

33

0

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	Bubble Less Dense	_
Low		High
pressure	Net Force	pressure



	2024
A	92%
В	0
С	8

Which will accelerate more in this pressure gradient?

A) They will accelerate the same

B) The bubble will accelerate more

C) The fluid will accelerate more

	2024
A	0%
В	100
С	0

Why???? Because Newton's Second Law:  $\Sigma F$  = ma

NSL: F=ma

What makes streamlines curve?



Streamlines curve because of pressure gradient. Low P is inside curve.

Now, put these ideas together. Relative forces, relative accelerations



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### Summary

- Lighter particles will track to inside the curve
- Denser particles will track to outside the curve

### Rules of thumb:

- In water or other liquids, particles of 100  $\mu m$  diameter or less, any density, will track most flows.
- In air, particles of 1  $\mu m$  diameter or less, any density, will track most flows.

### Similar considerations to dyes:

- 1) Particles must track with the flow
- 2) Want particles to NOT disturb flow

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## 2)Want particles to NOT disturb flow

- As with dyes, minimize injection differential velocity; inject at local flow speed.
- Want particles to not introduce new forces or effects. Avoid:
  - soluble particles
  - surface tension: Cheerio effect
  - 。 The Cheerios Effect





chemical reactions
significant change of density
particle-particle interaction

- Number density of particles = # of particles / unit volume. (Contrast to mass/volume of solid alone). Keep low enough to avoid interactions.
- Particle-particle interaction (collisions, drag) lead to non-Newtonian effects. Slurries, oobleck, blood, shampoo, silly putty, other polymers. Gets into 'complex fluid' categories. Interesting field.