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**CBE150A– Midterm #2**  
**Transport Processes**

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This exam contains 15 pages (including this cover page) and 2 questions. Total of points is 50.

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Please write your answers in the box if provided. Do your calculations in the space provided for the corresponding part. Any work done outside of specified areas or on the back of pages will **not be graded**. Use the blank white full page behind the question pages as a scratch sheet (your work here will **not be graded**). Also remember to provide your signature for the honor code below. Good luck!

**Distribution of Marks**

Question	Points	Score
1	25	
2	25	
Total:	50	

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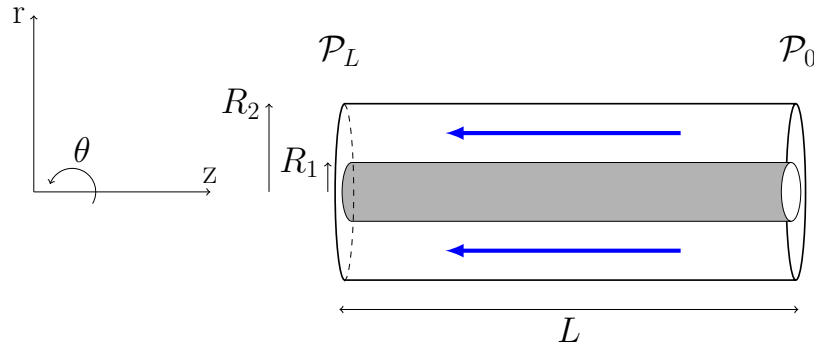
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The two questions for the exam are written below and will be rewritten on subsequent pages for you to write down your answers.

**Problem 1: Heat Exchanger (25 points).** You are looking at the flow through two concentric cylinders, which may be used for example, to circulate heat through a heat exchanger (shown below).

- The heat exchanger has an inner radius of  $R_1$  and an outer radius of  $R_2$ . Assume that  $R_1 \leq r \leq R_2$ .
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- The fluid is incompressible and Newtonian. The flow is laminar, fully-developed, and at steady-state. The flow is pressure-driven.
- The length of the heat exchanger is  $L$ .

Your goal is to find the velocity profile of the fluid flow in the **outer tube**,  $v_z$ .



Go through the following intermediate steps:

- Perform a kinematics analysis and use continuity to determine which variables the velocity,  $v_z$ , depends on. (2 pts)
- Start with the Navier-Stokes equations, given below, and determine which terms are zero. Write out the final expression. (6 pts)

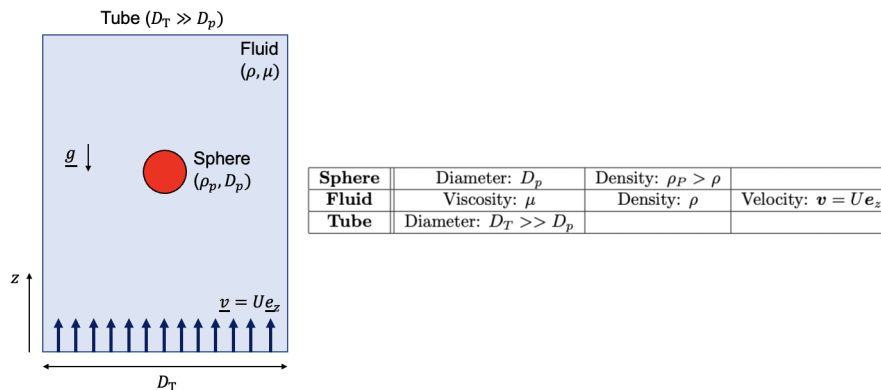
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- (c) Solve the expression that you get in part (b), and get an expression for  $v_z$  that includes any integration constants involved. (8 pts)
- (d) Solve for the pressure drop (*Hint: Your final answer should not include any derivatives*). (2 pts)
- (e) State the boundary conditions to find  $v_z$ . (2 pts)
- (f) Are any of the constants zero? If so, why? If not, why not? (*Hint: Compare this to the case of flow through a regular non-annular cylinder*) (2 pts)
- (g) Use the boundary conditions from part (e) to solve for the integration constants for  $v_z$ . Use these to get a final solution for  $v_z$  (Use the simplification from part (d) in this final solution). (3 pts)

**Problem 2: Flow Around a Sphere (25 points).** Consider a snapshot of a solid sphere in a long, wide tube filled with a Newtonian fluid ( $\rho_p > \rho$ ). Fluid flows upward (in the positive  $z$ -direction) such that the sphere remains static (it does not move up or down). **Each part (a, b, c, d) can be done independently.** The data for the problem is below:

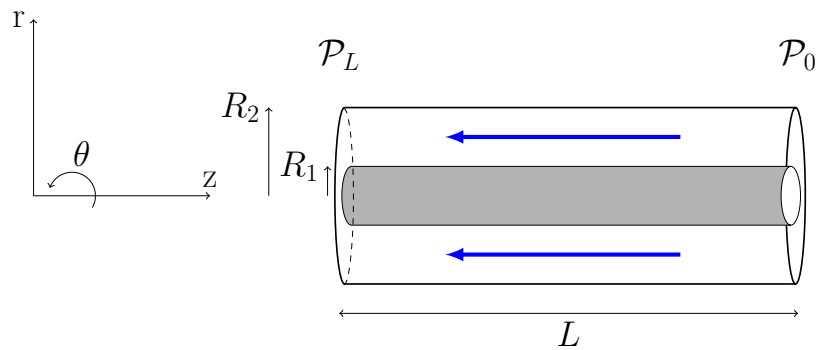


- (a) In the limit of creeping flow ( $Re \ll 1$ ) draw the fluid flow profile past the sphere on the schematic here (3 pts).
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- (c) You are trying to determine the drag coefficient  $C_{D1}$  for this problem. Follow the steps below.
- Write down a force balance on the sphere and obtain an expression for the drag force,  $F_{D1}$  (4 pts).
  - Using your answer in (i), obtain an expression for the drag coefficient,  $C_{D1}$  (4 pts).
- (d) Now you increase the flow velocity to go from  $Re_1 = 10^{-2}$  to  $Re_2 \approx 5 \times 10^3$  (Newton's Regime,  $C_{D2} \approx 0.44$ ).
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  - Based on your result in (i), will the sphere move up, down, or stay in place when the Reynolds number increases (explain in one sentence or one equation) (3 pts)?
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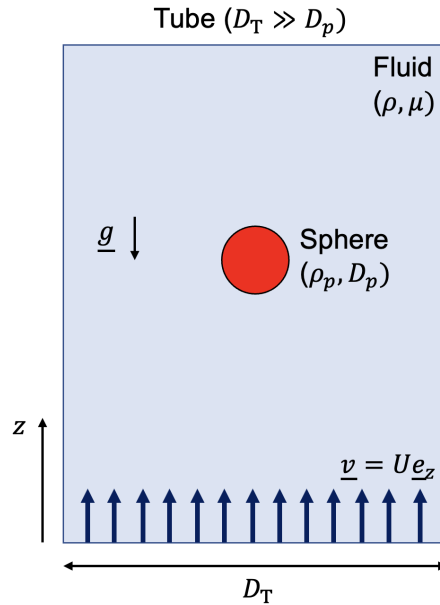
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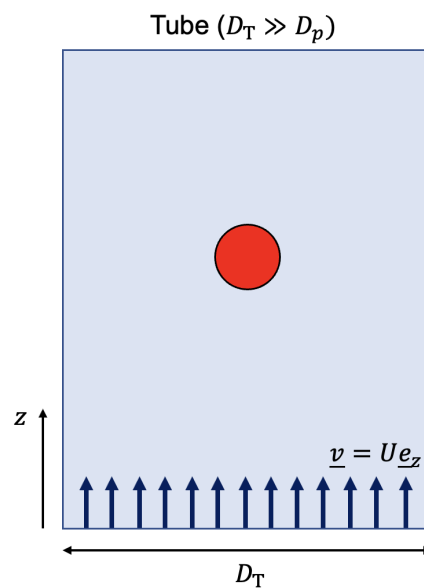
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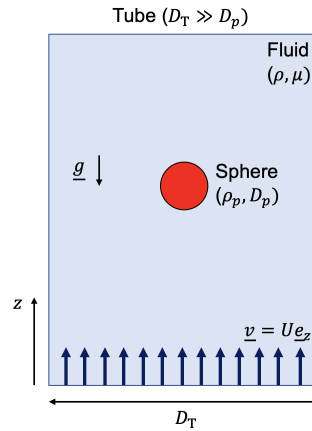


<b>Sphere</b>	Diameter: $D_p$	Density: $\rho_P > \rho$	
<b>Fluid</b>	Viscosity: $\mu$	Density: $\rho$	Velocity: $\underline{v} = U \underline{e}_z$
<b>Tube</b>	Diameter: $D_T \gg D_p$		

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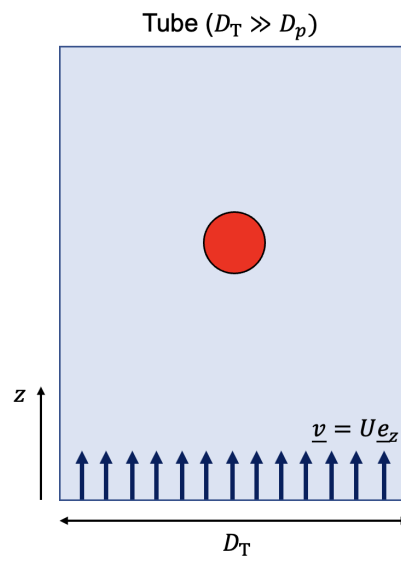
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