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Lecture - 22
Boundary Layer Analysis 7: Momentum Integral Method 03

So, welcome back. In the last class we have got the expression for velocity profile.

$$\text{Boundary layer displacement thickness, } \delta^* = \int_0^\infty \left(1 - \frac{u}{u_\infty}\right) dy$$

$$\text{Boundary layer momentum thickness, } \theta = \delta^{**} = \int_0^\infty \frac{u}{u_\infty} \left(1 - \frac{u}{u_\infty}\right) dy$$

And if we substitute for $\frac{u}{u_\infty} = \frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3$: $\eta = \frac{y}{\delta}$: $dy = \delta \cdot d\eta$ in the above equation, we will get

$$\begin{aligned}\theta = \delta^{**} &= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3\right) \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3\right) \delta \cdot d\eta \\ &= \delta \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3\right) \left(\frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3\right) d\eta \\ &= \delta \int_0^1 \left(\frac{3}{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2}\eta^3 - \frac{9}{4}\eta^2 + \frac{3}{4}\eta^4 + \frac{3}{4}\eta^4 - \frac{1}{4}\eta^6\right) d\eta\end{aligned}$$

Upon integration, we will get

$$\begin{aligned}&= \delta \left[\left[\frac{3}{4}\eta^2\right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{1}{8}\eta^4\right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{9}{12}\eta^3\right]_0^1 + \left[\frac{6}{20}\eta^5\right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{1}{28}\eta^7\right]_0^1 \right] \\ &= \delta \left[\frac{3}{4} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{9}{12} + \frac{6}{20} - \frac{1}{28} \right] \\ &= \delta \frac{-35 + 84 - 10}{280} = \frac{39}{280} \delta \\ \theta &= \frac{39\delta}{280}\end{aligned}$$

And we got that

$$\frac{d\theta}{dx} = \frac{\tau_w}{\rho u_\infty^2}$$

In above equation, if we substitute for θ , we will get

$$\frac{39}{280} \frac{d\delta}{dx} = \frac{\tau_w}{\rho u_\infty^2}$$

And we know that, $\tau_w = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) |_{y=0}$. And based on Karman-Pahlhausen approximate method, we got velocity profile as $\frac{u}{u_\infty} = \frac{3}{2} \eta - \frac{1}{2} \eta^3 = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{y}{\delta} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y}{\delta} \right)^3$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \left(\frac{3}{2\delta} - \frac{3y^2}{2\delta^3} \right) u_\infty$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} |_{y=0} = \frac{3}{2\delta} u_\infty$$

If we substitute the value of velocity gradient in the wall shear stress expression, we will get

$$\tau_w = \mu \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) |_{y=0} = \mu \frac{3}{2\delta} u_\infty$$

Then,

$$\frac{39}{280} \frac{d\delta}{dx} = \frac{\mu \frac{3}{2\delta} u_\infty}{\rho u_\infty^2} = \frac{3\mu}{2\delta \rho u_\infty}$$

$$\delta \frac{d\delta}{dx} = \frac{280 \times 3\mu}{39 \times 2\rho u_\infty}$$

Upon simplification, we will get

$$\delta d\delta = \frac{140}{13} \frac{\mu}{\rho u_\infty} dx$$

By integration:

$$\frac{\delta^2}{2} = \frac{140}{13} \frac{\gamma}{u_\infty} x + C_1$$

To evaluate C_1 , by using boundary condition, $x = 0: \delta = 0$, therefore value of $C_1 = 0$

$$\delta^2 = \frac{280}{13} \frac{\gamma}{u_\infty} x$$

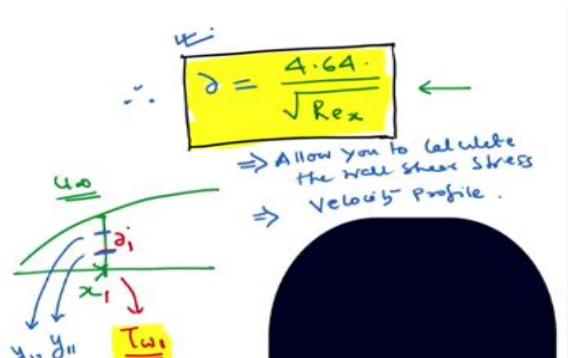
$$\delta^2 = \frac{280}{13} \frac{\gamma}{u_\infty} x = \frac{280}{13} \cdot \frac{\gamma x^2}{u_\infty \cdot x}$$

$$= \frac{280}{13} \cdot \frac{x^2}{\left(\frac{u_\infty x}{\gamma}\right)} = \frac{280}{13} \frac{x^2}{Re_x}$$

$$\delta = \frac{4.64x}{\sqrt{Re_x}}$$

So, this is the boundary layer expression as a function of x . Since the boundary layer thickness is known, therefore we can find out the wall shear stress and the velocity profile,

$$\tau_w = \mu \frac{3}{2\delta} u_\infty: \quad \frac{u}{u_\infty} = \frac{3}{2} \eta - \frac{1}{2} \eta^3 = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^3$$



For any x , u_∞ needs to be known. Because the wall shear stress depends on the magnitude of u_∞ if the flow is faster the stress is going to be higher. From that we can find out the δ .

Thank you.