

**MATH545001**

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Examination for the Module MATH5450

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**Polymeric Fluids**

Time allowed: **3 hours**

Answer FIVE of the SEVEN questions.

All questions carry equal marks.

1. (a) In the power-law fluid model the shear viscosity is equal to  $\mu(\dot{\gamma}) = K|\dot{\gamma}|^{n-1}$ , where  $K$  and  $n$  are positive constants. Explain what is meant by the terms *shear thinning* and *shear thickening* and state the range of values of  $n$  for which the power law fluid is shear-thinning or shear-thickening.
- (b) A cylindrical rod of radius  $a$  moves at velocity  $U$  along the axis of a cylinder of radius  $b$ . The gap between the rod and the cylinder is filled with a power-law fluid. Write down the equation of axial momentum conservation on the assumption that inertia can be neglected and the extra stress,  $\sigma$ , is a function of  $r$  only, and deduce that if the pressure gradient is zero along the pipe then

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} (r\sigma_{rz}) = 0.$$

Show that the fluid velocity in the gap between the rod and cylinder is given by

$$u = U \frac{r^{\frac{n-1}{n}} - b^{\frac{n-1}{n}}}{a^{\frac{n-1}{n}} - b^{\frac{n-1}{n}}} \quad \text{for } n \neq 1.$$

What is the fluid velocity for  $n = 1$ ?

Show that the drag force per unit length acting on rod is equal to

$$F = 2\pi a\sigma_{rz}(a),$$

and find its value when  $n = 0.5$ .

2. (a) Using the appropriate formulae for cylindrical polar coordinates write down the velocity gradient for a flow in which the fluid velocity is given in cylindrical polar coordinates  $(r, \theta, z)$  by  $\mathbf{u} = (0, v(r), 0)$ . Show that the  $r\theta$  component of the strain-rate tensor,  $\mathbf{E}$ ,

$$E_{r\theta} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma} = \frac{r}{2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \frac{v}{r} \right),$$

where  $\dot{\gamma}$  is the local shear-rate. Define the shear viscosity,  $\mu(\dot{\gamma})$ , and first and second normal stress differences,  $N_1(\dot{\gamma})$  and  $N_2(\dot{\gamma})$ , in terms of the components of the extra stress tensor  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$ .

- (b) Write down the components of the momentum equation for such a flow on the assumption that fluid inertia is negligible and the gravitational acceleration,  $\mathbf{g} = (0, 0, -g)$ . (You may assume that  $\sigma_{rz} = \sigma_{\theta z} = 0$ ). Show that this leads to the following equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \mu(\dot{\gamma}) \dot{\gamma}) &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (-p + \sigma_{zz} + N_2) &= \frac{N_1}{r}, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (-p + \sigma_{zz}) &= \rho g. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) A vertical rod of radius  $a$  rotates at an angular velocity  $\Omega > 0$  in a shear-thinning polymeric fluid in which

$$\mu(\dot{\gamma}) = K|\dot{\gamma}|^{-1/3}, \quad N_1(\dot{\gamma}) = A\dot{\gamma}^2, \quad N_2(\dot{\gamma}) = 0,$$

where  $K$  and  $A$  are both positive constants. Show that the fluid velocity  $v(r)$  is given by

$$v(r) = \Omega \frac{a^3}{r^2}$$

and hence find  $\dot{\gamma}$ .

If the top surface is open to the atmosphere, show that the position of this surface is given by

$$h(r) = h_\infty + \frac{3A\Omega^2 a^6}{8\rho g r^6},$$

where  $h_\infty$  is the height for  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .

3. (a) Write down an expression for the stress in a linear viscoelastic fluid of relaxation modulus  $G(t)$ . By considering the stress generated by a shear-rate,

$$\dot{\gamma} = \frac{d}{dt} (\epsilon \exp(i\omega t)),$$

define the complex modulus  $G^*$  and explain the significance of the real and imaginary parts of  $G^*$ .

- (b) The shear stress,  $\sigma(t)$  in a linear Maxwell fluid is related to the shear-rate  $\dot{\gamma}$  by

$$\tau \frac{d\sigma}{dt} + \sigma = \mu \dot{\gamma}.$$

Show that this is a linear viscoelastic fluid and find its relaxation modulus,  $G(t)$ .

Find the complex modulus of this fluid and show that the loss and storage moduli are given respectively by

$$G' = \frac{\mu\omega^2\tau}{1 + \omega^2\tau^2}, \quad G'' = \frac{\mu\omega}{1 + \omega^2\tau^2}.$$

Find the frequency  $\omega$  at which  $G' = G''$ .

- (c) A fluid satisfying the linear Maxwell model is subjected to the following shear flow

$$\dot{\gamma} = \begin{cases} & \text{for } t < 0, \\ a \sin \omega t & \text{for } t \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Find the shear stress for  $t > 0$ .

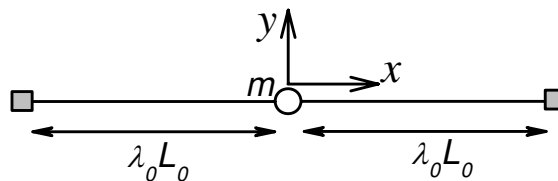
4. The expression for the total stress in a rubber is

$$\boldsymbol{\tau} = G\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{F}^T - \beta\mathbf{I}.$$

where  $\mathbf{F}$  is the deformation gradient tensor,  $G$  is the shear modulus and  $\beta$  is an isotropic contribution to the pressure.

- (a) What is the deformation gradient  $\mathbf{F}$  and stress  $\boldsymbol{\tau}$  for a volume-conserving uniaxial extension by a ratio  $\lambda$  in the  $x$ -direction? A piece of rubber, of initial cross sectional area  $A_0$ , is stretched by a ratio  $\lambda$ . If the sides of the rubber are exposed to the atmosphere, so that  $\tau_{yy} = \tau_{zz} = -p_{atm}$ , show that the force required to achieve the stretch is

$$f = GA_0 \left( \lambda - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \right).$$



- (b) Two light, thin pieces of rubber, of initial length  $L_0$  and initial cross sectional area  $A_0$  are attached by one end to a mass  $m$  and stretched to  $\lambda_0$  times their initial length between clamps a distance  $2\lambda_0 L_0$  apart, as shown in the above diagram. Assume the only force on the mass is due to the rubber.

- (i) Show that, for small displacements  $x \ll \lambda_0 L$  parallel to the rubber direction, the force on the mass in this direction is

$$F_x = -2 \frac{GA_0}{L_0} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{\lambda_0^3} \right) x.$$

- (ii) Show that, for small displacements  $y \ll \lambda_0 L$  perpendicular to the rubber direction, the force on the mass in this direction is

$$F_y = -2 \frac{GA_0}{L_0} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\lambda_0^3} \right) y.$$

- (iii) Hence, using Newton's second law  $\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a}$  for the mass, obtain the ratio  $\omega_x/\omega_y$  of frequencies of small amplitude oscillation of the mass in the  $x$  and  $y$  directions, as a function of  $\lambda_0$ . What is special about  $\omega_x/\omega_y$  when  $\lambda_0^3 = 2$  and  $\lambda_0^3 = \frac{11}{8}$ ?

5. The Langevin equation with inertia for the velocity  $v$  of a particle of mass  $m$  moving with friction constant  $\zeta$  is

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} + \zeta v = f(t),$$

where  $\langle f(t) f(t') \rangle = 2k_B T \zeta \delta(t - t')$ .  $k_B$  is the Boltzmann constant and  $T$  is the temperature.

- (a) By use of a suitable integrating factor, or otherwise, show that a solution of this equation is

$$v(t) = \frac{1}{m} \int_{-\infty}^t ds f(s) \exp\left(\frac{s-t}{\tau}\right),$$

and hence that

$$\langle v(t) v(t') \rangle = \frac{1}{m^2} \int_{-\infty}^t ds \int_{-\infty}^{t'} ds' \langle f(s) f(s') \rangle \exp\left(\frac{s+s'-t-t'}{\tau}\right),$$

where  $\tau = \frac{m}{\zeta}$ .

- (b) Hence show that, for  $t \leq t'$ ,

$$\langle v(t) v(t') \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{m} \exp\left(-\frac{(t' - t)}{\tau}\right).$$

What is the average kinetic energy,  $\frac{1}{2} m \langle [v(t)]^2 \rangle$ ?

- (c) Given that, in general,

$$\langle v(t) v(t') \rangle = \frac{k_B T}{m} \exp\left(-\frac{|t' - t|}{\tau}\right)$$

and that the position of the particle is  $x(t) = \int_0^t ds v(s)$  when  $x(0) = 0$ , show that

$$\langle [x(t)]^2 \rangle = \frac{2k_B T}{\zeta} \left( t + \tau \left( \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau}\right) - 1 \right) \right).$$

From the limiting behaviour of this as  $t$  becomes large, obtain the diffusion constant for the motion.

Hint:  $\int_0^t ds \int_0^t ds' f(|s - s'|) = 2 \int_0^t ds \int_0^s ds' f(s - s')$ .

6. The Rouse equation for a polymer chain comprising beads with friction constant  $\zeta$  connected with springs of spring constant  $k$  is

$$\zeta \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_s}{\partial t} - \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}_s) \right) = k \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_s}{\partial s^2} + \mathbf{f}_s, \quad s = 0..N,$$

with boundary conditions

$$\left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_s}{\partial s} \right|_{s=0} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{\partial \mathbf{r}_s}{\partial s} \right|_{s=N} = 0.$$

- (a) In terms of the forces acting on a bead, briefly discuss the origin of the term,  $\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{r}_s}{\partial s^2}$ .  
 (b) Ignoring the terms due to velocity,  $\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}_s)$ , and random force,  $\mathbf{f}_s$ , show that the relaxation time of the  $p$ th normal mode,  $\mathbf{r}_s = \mathbf{X}_p \cos\left(\frac{\pi ps}{N}\right)$ , is

$$\tau_p = \frac{\tau_1}{p^2},$$

where  $\tau_1 = \frac{N^2 \zeta}{\pi^2 k}$ .

- (c) Given that this leads to a time-dependent modulus of form

$$G(t) = G_0 \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{p^2 t}{\tau_1}\right),$$

use  $G^* = G' + iG'' = \int_0^{\infty} i\omega G(s) \exp(-i\omega s) ds$  to show that

$$G' = G_0 \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{\omega^2 \tau_1^2}{p^4 + \omega^2 \tau_1^2},$$

$$G'' = G_0 \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{p^2 \omega \tau_1}{p^4 + \omega^2 \tau_1^2},$$

and obtain approximations of the form  $G'' = c\omega^\alpha$  for  $\omega\tau_1 \ll 1$  and (by approximating the sum as an integral) for  $\omega\tau_1 \gg 1$ . Hence sketch a graph of  $\log G''$  versus  $\log \omega$ .

You may use the results:

$$\sum_1^{\infty} p^{-2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6},$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}.$$

7. In the Oldroyd B model the extra stress  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$  is given by a sum of a Newtonian fluid stress and an Upper Convected Maxwell element:

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = G\mathbf{A} + \mu(\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{K}^T),$$

where the structure tensor  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfies

$$\frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt} = \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{K}^T - \frac{1}{\tau}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I}).$$

Here  $\mathbf{K}$  is the velocity gradient tensor, with components  $K_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}$  and  $G$  and  $\tau$  are both positive constants.  $\mu$  is the Newtonian viscosity.

- (a) Find the tensor  $\mathbf{K}$  and hence write down the equations for evolution of the tensor components,  $A_{xx}$ ,  $A_{xy}$  and  $A_{yy}$  when an Oldroyd B fluid is subjected to a transient shear flow of the form  $\mathbf{u} = (yf(t), 0, 0)$ .

By setting  $\frac{d\mathbf{A}}{dt}$  to zero, obtain the steady state values of  $A_{xx}$ ,  $A_{xy}$  and  $A_{yy}$  when the fluid is subjected to a shear flow at constant rate of  $f(t) = g$ .

- (b) An Oldroyd B fluid is subjected to a constant shear flow  $f(t) = g$  for  $t < 0$ , and at  $t = 0$  has reached steady state. For  $t > 0$ , the shear stress is removed so that  $\sigma_{xy} = 0$ , but the fluid remains constrained to a flow of form  $\mathbf{u} = (yf(t), 0, 0)$ .

Using  $\sigma_{xy} = 0$ , show that, for  $t > 0$ ,

$$f(t) = -\frac{G}{\mu}A_{xy}(t).$$

Hence obtain  $A_{yy}$ ,  $A_{xy}$  and  $f(t)$  as a function of  $t$  for  $t > 0$ . Find the recoil strain

$$\gamma_R = -\int_0^\infty f(t)dt.$$

For  $t > 0$ , find  $A_{xx}$  and show that the normal stress  $N_1 = \sigma_{xx} - \sigma_{yy}$  is

$$N_1 = 2Gg^2\tau^2 \left( \frac{G\tau}{2G\tau + \mu} \exp\left(-2\left[\frac{G}{\mu} + \frac{1}{\tau}\right]t\right) + \frac{G\tau + \mu}{2G\tau + \mu} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau}\right) \right).$$

## Formula Sheet

### Cartesian coordinates

pressure,  $p$ , velocity,  $\mathbf{u} = ue_x + ve_y + we_z$ , velocity gradient,  $\mathbf{K}$  with  $K_{ij} = \frac{\partial u_i}{\partial x_j}$

$$\nabla p = \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \mathbf{e}_x + \frac{\partial p}{\partial y} \mathbf{e}_y + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \mathbf{e}_z, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z},$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \quad \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \sigma_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zx}}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yy}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zy}}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \sigma_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

### Cylindrical Polar Coordinates

velocity,  $\mathbf{u} = ue_r + ve_\theta + we_z$ .

$$\nabla p = \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} \mathbf{e}_r + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta} \mathbf{e}_\theta + \frac{\partial p}{\partial z} \mathbf{e}_z, \quad \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (ru) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial z},$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} - \frac{v}{r} & \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} + \frac{u}{r} & \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial w}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r\sigma_{rr}) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \sigma_{\theta r}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zr}}{\partial z} - \frac{\sigma_{\theta\theta}}{r} \\ \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 \sigma_{r\theta}) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \sigma_{\theta\theta}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{z\theta}}{\partial z} + \frac{\sigma_{\theta r} - \sigma_{r\theta}}{r} \\ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r\sigma_{rz}) + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \sigma_{\theta z}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial \sigma_{zz}}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Spherical Polar Coordinates

$$\mathbf{u} = u\mathbf{e}_r + v\mathbf{e}_\theta + w\mathbf{e}_\phi$$

$$\nabla p = \frac{\partial p}{\partial r}\mathbf{e}_r + \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial p}{\partial \theta}\mathbf{e}_\theta + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial p}{\partial \phi}\mathbf{e}_\phi,$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r^2u) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(v\sin\theta) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial w}{\partial \phi},$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} - \frac{v}{r} & \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial u}{\partial \phi} - \frac{w}{r} \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial v}{\partial \theta} + \frac{u}{r} & \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial v}{\partial \phi} - \frac{w}{r}\cot\theta \\ \frac{\partial w}{\partial r} & \frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial w}{\partial \theta} & \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial w}{\partial \phi} + \frac{u}{r} + \frac{v}{r}\cot\theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{r^2}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r^2\sigma_{rr}) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\sigma_{\theta r}\sin\theta) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial \sigma_{\phi r}}{\partial \phi} - \frac{\sigma_{\theta\theta} + \sigma_{\phi\phi}}{r} \\ -\frac{1}{r^3}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r^3\sigma_{r\theta}) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\sigma_{\theta\theta}\sin\theta) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial \sigma_{\phi\theta}}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\sigma_{\theta r} - \sigma_{r\theta} - \sigma_{\phi\phi}\cot\theta}{r} \\ \frac{1}{r^3}\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(r^3\sigma_{r\phi}) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\sigma_{\theta\phi}\sin\theta) + \frac{1}{r\sin\theta}\frac{\partial \sigma_{\phi\phi}}{\partial \phi} + \frac{\sigma_{\phi r} - \sigma_{r\phi} + \sigma_{\phi\theta}\cot\theta}{r} \end{pmatrix}$$