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FLUID MECHANICS

velocity  $\vec{q}$  is a function of  $\vec{r}, t$ .

$$\Rightarrow \vec{q} = q(\vec{r}, t) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{q} + \delta\vec{q} = q(\vec{r} + \delta\vec{r}, t + \delta t) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Subtracting (1) from (2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \delta\vec{q} &= \vec{q}(\vec{r} + \delta\vec{r}, t + \delta t) - \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t) \\ &= \left[ \vec{q}(\vec{r} + \delta\vec{r}, t + \delta t) - \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t + \delta t) \right] \\ &\quad + \left[ \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t + \delta t) - \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta\vec{q} = \delta\vec{r} \cdot \nabla \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t + \delta t) + \delta t \cdot \frac{\partial \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

Dividing by  $\delta t$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\delta\vec{q}}{\delta t} = \frac{\delta\vec{r}}{\delta t} \cdot \nabla \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t + \delta t) + \frac{\partial \vec{q}(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

Take  $\lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0}$  both sides

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \nabla \vec{q} + \frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} = \vec{q} \cdot \nabla \vec{q} + \frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} = (\vec{q} \cdot \nabla) \vec{q} + \frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

This equation gives the acceleration at any point P.

Q. For the motion of a perfect fluid, obtain the components of acceleration in rectangular Cartesian coordinates.

Soln Let  $u, v, w$  be the components of velocity  $\vec{q}$  in the different axes.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{q} = u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k}$$

$$\therefore \nabla = \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{q} \cdot \nabla = (u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k}) \cdot \left( \vec{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \vec{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \vec{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \\ = u \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{d\vec{q}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k}) = \frac{du}{dt} \vec{i} + \frac{dv}{dt} \vec{j} + \frac{dw}{dt} \vec{k}$$

$$\text{and } (\vec{q} \cdot \nabla) \vec{q} = \left( u \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) (u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k})$$

$$\frac{\partial \vec{q}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k}) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \vec{k}$$

So, eq(1) becomes

$$\frac{du}{dt} \vec{i} + \frac{dv}{dt} \vec{j} + \frac{dw}{dt} \vec{k} = \left( u \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) (u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k}) \\ + \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} \vec{k} \right)$$

Equating the coefficients of  $\vec{i}$ ,  $\vec{j}$ ,  $\vec{k}$  on both sides, we get

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial v}{\partial z}$$

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + u \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} + w \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}$$

The above equations are the required components of acceleration in rectangular cartesian coordinates.