

Introduction to Mathematical Fluid Dynamics-II

Balance of Momentum

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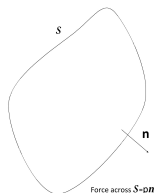
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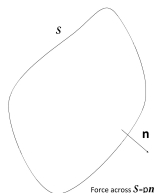
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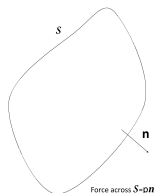
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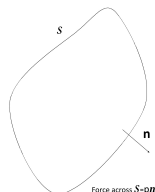
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An integral form of the balance of momentum can be derived for general fluid:

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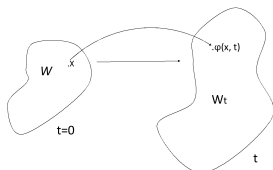
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Here W_t is a region at time t and $S_{\partial W_t}$ represents the total force exerted on the surface ∂W_t .

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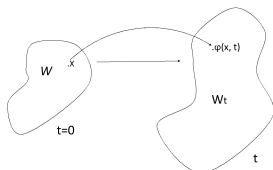
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Proof of lemma 1

For fixed x ,

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The proof is complete.

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By the conservation of mass

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