# Particle tracking velocimetry: Deliverables

ME 240: Fundamentals of Instrumentation & Measurement  $\bullet$  D. H. Kelley and I. Mohammad  $\bullet$  111 points

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Lab partners:

Please write the following sentence in the box below in your own handwriting and SIGN: "I affirm that I have not given or received any unauthorized help on this assignment, and that this work will be my own."

# Mixing the solution

- 1. (2 points) What mass of water is required for your solution?
- 2. (2 points) What mass of copper sulfate is required for your solution?
- 3. (2 points) What volume of glycerol is required for your solution?

# Determining the fluid density

- 4. (2 points) What is the density of your solution?
- 5. (2 points) What volume of fluid did you use to determine that density? \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. (2 points) What was its mass? \_\_\_\_\_

## Determining the viscosity

7. (4 points) Draw a free body diagram of a sphere falling through a fluid.

8. (4 points) Determine a formula for  $\mu$ .

- 9. (3 points) As a sphere falls, measure its position at three different times.
  - time 1: \_\_\_\_\_ position 1: \_\_\_\_\_
  - time 2: \_\_\_\_\_ position 2: \_\_\_\_\_
  - time 3: \_\_\_\_\_ position 3: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. (2 points) Calculate the terminal velocity V for the interval from time 1 to time 2.
- 11. (2 points) Calculate the terminal velocity V for the interval from time 2 to time 3.
- 12. (2 points) Calculate the viscosity  $\mu$ .

13. (3 points) How did you check that the sphere had reached terminal velocity?

14. (4 points) Discuss at least two potential sources of error in the viscosity measurement procedure.

### Imaging the flows

15. (2 points) What is the magnet stripe width L/2?

- 16. (2 points) At what critical current  $I_c$  and voltage  $V_c$  do shear bands give way to vortices?
- 17. (3 points) What is the size, in mm, of one pixel?
- 18. (2 points) What is the frame rate?
- 19. (2 points) List the filenames of the movies you recorded and the current applied for each in Table 1.

#### Measuring and analyzing flow velocities

- 20. (3 points) Attach the background image you calculated below.
- 21. (2 points) Record your values of obj.Thr, obj.Max\_disp,  $\langle u \rangle^{1/2}$ , and Re in Table 1.

- 22. (4 points) Attach the illustration of your slowest movie, produced using plot\_tracks. Write a descriptive caption for the figure.
- 23. (4 points) Attach the illustration of your fastest movie, produced using plot\_tracks. Write a descriptive caption for the figure.
- 24. (4 points) Attach your plot of the variation of Re with applied current. Axes should be labelled with proper units. Write a descriptive caption for the figure.
- 25. (4 points) Attach your plot of the variation of root-mean-square horizontal velocity  $\langle u^2 \rangle^{1/2}$  with Re. Axes should be labelled with proper units. Write a descriptive caption for the figure.
- 26. (3 points) What is the critical Reynolds number  $\operatorname{Re}_c$ ?
- 27. (20 points) Type and attach an abstract.
- 28. (20 points) Type and attach a description of the methods used. Explain how the lab exercise was conducted with enough detail so that an engineer could repeat your work. Begin by posing the question being addressed, and then state what data you used to answer this question, explaining why this data was appropriate to answer it. Afterwards, explain the process you used for data collection, listing tools used (including make and model for tools that aren't trivially common), materials, etc. Finally, explain how you analyzed the data. Optionally, you may use figures, tables, and equations. Feel free to paraphrase the given procedure and refer to its figures as needed. Anywhere you augmented or deviated from the given procedure, make a note.

Ι	Filename	obj.Thr	obj.Max_disp	$\langle u^2 \rangle^{1/2}$	Re
(mA)		(0-255)	(pixels)	(mm/s)	

Table 1: Movies and tracking results