

# Steady State Fluid Flow = SS

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Fluid flow with fluid pressure  $p(t, \mathbf{r})$  is not changing in time:

$$(1) \quad p(t, \mathbf{r}) = p(\mathbf{r})$$

This immediately leads to stationary fluid velocity  $\mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{r})$ :

$$(2) \quad \mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{r})$$

In the most general case (both reservoir and pipelines) the fluid velocity is a function of pressure and pressure gradient and can be written as:

$$(3) \quad \mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{r}) = F(\mathbf{r}, p, \nabla p)$$

with right side not dependent on time in stationary flow:

$$(4) \quad \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}(t, \mathbf{r})}{\partial t} = 0$$

which leads to (2).

The fluid temperature  $T(t, \mathbf{r})$  is supposed to vary slowly enough to provide [quasistatic equilibrium](#).

This flow regime is often observed in [pipeline fluid flow](#) and [reservoir fluid](#) flows.

## See also

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