

Answer on Question #69831, Physics / Mechanics | Relativity

fluid viscosity dimensional analysis

Solution:

The viscosity μ is often called the absolute or dynamic viscosity to distinguish it from the kinematic viscosity $\nu = \frac{\mu}{\rho}$ (1), where ρ is the fluid density

Of (1) $\Rightarrow \mu = \nu \rho$ (2)

Dimension for kinematic viscosity: $\frac{L^2}{T}$

Dimension for fluid density: $\frac{M}{L^3}$

Of (2) \Rightarrow dimension for viscosity: $\frac{L^2}{T} \times \frac{M}{L^3} = \frac{M}{LT}$

Answer:

$$\frac{M}{LT}$$

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