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$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix}_{123} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{v}_1 \\ \overline{v}_2 \\ \overline{v}_3 \end{pmatrix}_{\overline{1}\overline{2}\overline{3}}$$

For shear flow and the two particular coordinate systems we have just examined,

$$\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{V} \\ \overline{2H} \\ x_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{123} = \begin{pmatrix} \overline{V} \\ \overline{2H} \\ \overline{x}_2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}_{\overline{123}}$$

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We have found a coordinate system (the shear coordinate system) in which there are only 5 non-zero coefficients of the stress tensor. In addition,  $\tau_{21} = \tau_{12}$ .

This leaves <u>only four stress components</u> to be measured for this flow, expressed in this coordinate system.

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Because of symmetry, there are only 3 nonzero components of the extra stress tensor in elongational flows.

## **ELONGATION:**

$$\underline{\tau} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau_{33} \end{pmatrix}_{123}$$

This greatly simplifies the experimentalists tasks as only three stress components must be measured instead of 6.

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