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**z**: **uniform flow, source/sink, dipole,** ... . For D=2 problems it often occurs that a complex flow field can be built up from a set of rudimentary flows. The target here is the flow around a cylinder which is lifted by the Bernoulli force. Before we get to that here are some pieces. First recall notation and relationships

$$\mathbf{v} = (u, v, w) = (u, v, 0),$$
 (1)

$$\mathbf{v} = \nabla \phi, \tag{2}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y}, -\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x}\right),\tag{3}$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0, \tag{4}$$

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$$F(z) = \phi(x, y) + i\psi(x, y), \tag{6}$$

where  $\phi$  is the velocity potential,  $\psi$  is the stream function and the boundary condition at fluid/solid interfaces is  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ .

## 1. uniform flow:

$$F(z) = v_0 z = v_0 x + i v_0 y, (7)$$

$$\phi = v_0 x, \tag{8}$$

$$\psi = v_0 y, \tag{9}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = (v_0, 0). \tag{10}$$

(11)

2. point source at the origin:

$$F(z) = v_0 a \ln z = v_0 a \ln r e^{i\theta} = v_0 a \ln r + i v_0 a \theta,$$
(12)

$$\phi = v_0 a \ln r, \tag{13}$$

$$\psi = v_0 a \theta, \tag{14}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = v_0 \frac{a}{r} \,\mathbf{e}_r. \tag{15}$$

(16)

3. circulation at the origin:

$$F(z) = -iv_0 a \ln z = -iv_0 a \ln r e^{i\theta} = -iv_0 a \ln r + v_0 a\theta,$$
(17)

$$\phi = v_0 a \theta, \tag{18}$$

$$\psi = -v_0 a \ln r, \tag{19}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = v_0 \frac{a}{r} \,\mathbf{e}_{\theta}.\tag{20}$$

- (21)
- 4. dipole at the origin: this is the limit as  $b \to 0$  of two point sources  $\pm$  at  $z_0 = (\pm b, 0)$ ,

$$F(z) = v_0 a \ln (z+b) - v_0 a \ln (z-b) \to 2v_0 a \frac{b}{z},$$
(22)

$$\phi = 2v_0 ab \frac{x}{x^2 + y^2},\tag{23}$$

$$\psi = -2v_0 ab \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}.$$
(24)

The lines of constant stream function are circles centered on the y-axis

$$x^{2} + \left(y + \frac{v_{0}ab}{\psi}\right)^{2} = \left(\frac{v_{0}ab}{\psi}\right)^{2}.$$
(25)

5. cylinder of radius b in a uniform flow: combine dipole and uniform flow of appropriate strength,

$$F(z) = 2v_0 a \frac{b}{z} + v_0 a M z, \qquad (26)$$

$$\phi = v_0 a \left(\frac{2b}{r} + Mr\right) \cos \theta, \qquad (27)$$

$$\psi = v_0 a \left( -\frac{2b}{r} + Mr \right) \sin \theta.$$
(28)

Require  $\psi = 0$  at r = b, i.e., M = 2/b. Thus

$$\phi = v_{\infty} b \left( \frac{b}{r} + \frac{r}{b} \right) \cos \theta, \tag{29}$$

$$\psi = v_{\infty} b \left( -\frac{b}{r} + \frac{r}{b} \right) \sin \theta, \qquad (30)$$

where  $v_{\infty}b = 2v_0a$ . From Eq. (29) find

$$v_r = v_{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{b^2}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta \asymp v_{\infty} \frac{x}{r}, \tag{31}$$

$$v_{\theta} = -v_{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{b^2}{r^2} \right) \sin \theta \asymp - v_{\infty} \frac{y}{r}.$$
 (32)



FIG. 1: Stream lines around a cylinder of radius 1, a = b = 1.

To calculate the pressure along any stream line use the Bernoulli equation in the form

$$P_0 + \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 v_\infty^2 = P + \frac{1}{2}\rho_0 v^2, \tag{33}$$

where  $P_0 + \rho_0 v_{\infty}^2/2$  is appropriate for points on the streamline far from the cylinder. Then,  $\delta P = P - P_0$  is given by

$$X = \frac{\delta P}{\frac{1}{2}\rho_0 v_\infty^2} = 1 - \frac{v^2}{v_\infty^2}.$$
 (34)

Along the  $\psi = 0$  streamline, r = b,  $v_{\theta} = -2v_{\infty}\sin\theta$  and

$$X = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta. \tag{35}$$

The excess pressure is 1 at the stagnation points,  $\theta = 0, \pi$  and -3 at  $\theta = \pm \pi/2$ . As X is symmetric in  $\theta$  about  $\theta = 0$ , while there is pressure variation around the cylinder, there is no net force on it.

6. cylinder of radius b = a in a uniform flow with an added circulation about the origin

$$F(z) = v_{\infty}a\left(\frac{a}{z} + \frac{z}{a}\right) + i\frac{\Gamma a}{2\pi}\ln\frac{z}{a},$$
(36)

$$\phi = v_{\infty} a \left(\frac{a}{r} + \frac{r}{a}\right) \cos \theta - \frac{\Gamma a}{2\pi} \theta, \qquad (37)$$

$$\psi = v_{\infty}a\left(-\frac{a}{r} + \frac{r}{a}\right)\sin\theta + \frac{\Gamma a}{2\pi}\ln\frac{r}{a}.$$
(38)

For the velocities find

$$v_r = v_{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2} \right) \cos \theta \tag{39}$$

$$v_{\theta} = -v_{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2} \right) \sin \theta - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{a}{r}.$$
 (40)

Note  $v_r = 0$  at r = a and is unchanged from above. Scale the velocities by  $v_{\infty}$ , define  $\Lambda = \Gamma/(2\pi v_{\infty})$  and find

$$\frac{v_r}{v_{\infty}} = \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right)\cos\theta \tag{41}$$

$$\frac{v_{\theta}}{v_{\infty}} = -\left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right)\sin\theta - \Lambda \frac{a}{r}.$$
(42)

Calculate the pressure as above. Along the  $\psi = 0$  streamline the symmetry of  $v_{\theta}$ ,  $v(\theta) = v(-\theta)$ , is *broken* by the circulation,  $\Lambda$ . [A visual manifestation of this is the



FIG. 2: Stream lines around cylinder for various values of the circulation.

change in the location of the stagnation points from 0,  $\pi$ , e.g., Fig. 2.] Along the  $\psi = 0$  streamline

$$X = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta - \Lambda^2 - 4\Lambda\sin\theta.$$
(43)

The part of X that is symmetric in  $\theta$  contributes nothing to the pressure difference between the top and bottom of the cylinder. It is the last term that counts. The net force, in the y-direction, due to the pressure is given by

$$F_y = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta (-\sin\theta) (-4\Lambda\sin\theta) = 4\pi\Lambda.$$
(44)

Because  $v_{\theta}$  is symmetric about  $\theta = \pi/2$  there is no net force in the x-direction,

$$F_x = 0. (45)$$