

# AerE310: Incompressible Aerodynamics

## Homework Problem Set #04:

Due: 5:00 PM, Friday, 03/22/2024

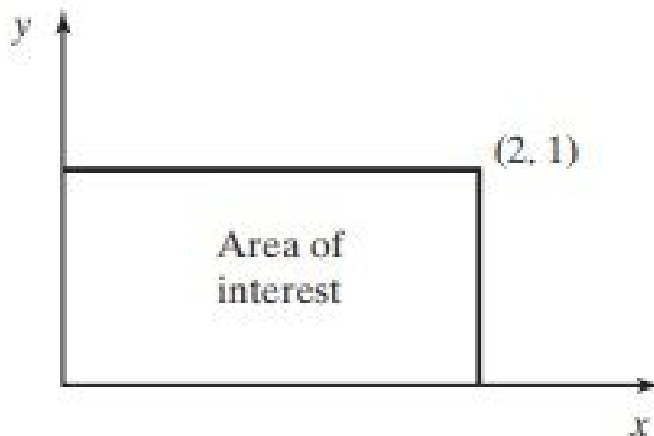
**Problem#1:** Consider the incompressible, irrotational, 2-D flow where the potential function is:

$$\phi = K \ln(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}), \text{ where } K \text{ is a constant.}$$

- What is the velocity field for this flow? Please verify the flow is irrotational. What is the magnitude and direction of the velocity vector at  $(2,0)$ , at  $(\sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2})$  and at  $(0, 2)$ ?
- What is the stream function for this flow field? Sketch the streamline pattern.
- Sketch the lines with constant potential values. How do the lines of equipotential relate to the streamlines?

**Problem#2:** The equation of the streamlines in a two-dimensional velocity field are given by the expression of  $\psi = xy + y^2 + \text{const.}$

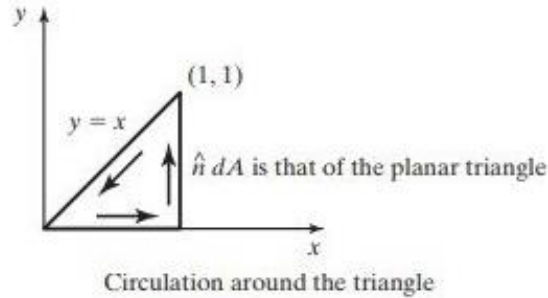
- Please find the expression of the flow velocity vector and the magnitude of the velocity vector.
- Please find the integral over the surface shown in the figure for the normal component of vector of  $\nabla \times \vec{V}$  by two methods.



**Problem#3:** Given an incompressible, steady flow, where the flow velocity is

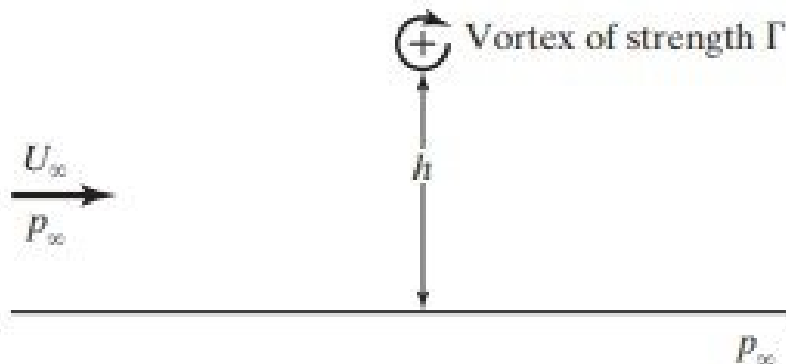
$$\vec{V} = (x^2y - xy^2)\hat{i} + \left(\frac{y^3}{3} - xy^2\right)\hat{j}$$

- Does the flow field satisfy the continuity equation? Does a stream function exist? If a stream function exists, what is it?
- Does a potential function exist? If yes, what is it?
- For the region shown in the figure, evaluate  $\iint (\nabla \times \vec{V}) \cdot d\vec{A} = ?$  and  $\Gamma = \oint \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{S} = ?$  to demonstrate that Stokes's theorem is valid.



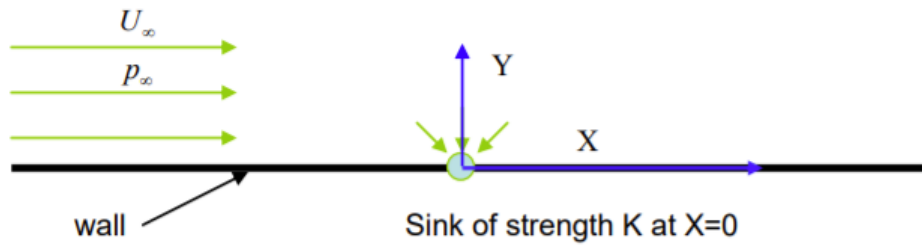
**Problem#4:** What is the stream function that represents the potential flow about a cylinder whose radius is 1.0m and which is located in an air stream where the free-stream velocity is 50m/s? What is the change in pressure from the free-stream value to the value at the top of the cylinder (i.e.,  $\theta = 90^\circ$ )? What is the change in pressure from the free-stream value to the value at the stagnation point (i.e.,  $\theta = 180^\circ$ )?

**Problem#5:** A two-dimensional free vortex is located near an infinite plane at a distance  $h$  above the plane as shown in the figure. The pressure at infinity is  $P_\infty$ , and the velocity at infinity is  $U_\infty$ , parallel to the plane. Please find the total force (per unit depth normal to the paper) acting on the plane if the pressure on the underside of the plane is  $P_\infty$ . The strength of the vortex is  $\Gamma$ . The fluid is incompressible and perfect. To what expression does the force simplify if  $h$  becomes very large?



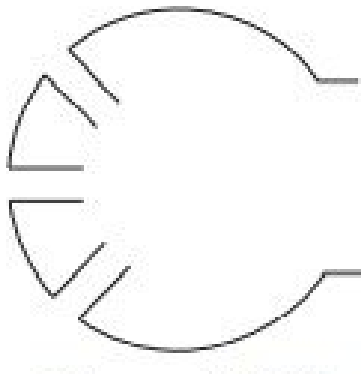
**Problem#6:** In an ideal, 2-D incompressible irrotational flow field, the fluid is flowing past a wall with a sink of strength  $K$  per unit length at the origin as shown in the Figure. The potential function of a 2-D sink is  $\phi = -\frac{k}{2\pi} \ln \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ . At infinity the flow is parallel to wall and of uniform velocity  $U_\infty$ .

- Determine the location of the stagnation point  $X_0$  at the wall in terms of  $U_\infty$  and  $K$ .
- Find the pressure distribution along the wall as a function of  $X$ . Taking the free stream static pressure at infinity to be  $P_\infty$ , express the pressure coefficient as a function of  $X/X_0$ .
- Sketch the resulting pressure distribution.



**Problem#7:** A cylindrical tube with three radially drilled orifices, as shown in the figure below can be used as a flow-direction indicator. Whenever the pressure on the two side holes is equal, the pressure at the center hole is the stagnation pressure. The instrument is called a direction-finding Pitot tube, or a cylindrical yaw probe.

- If the orifices of a direction-finding Pitot tube were to be used to measure the freestream static pressure, where would they have to be located if we use our solution for flow around a cylinder?
- For a direction-finding Pitot tube with orifices located as calculated in part (a), what is the sensitivity? Let the sensitivity be defined as the pressure change per unit angular change (i.e.,  $\partial p / \partial \theta$ )



**Problem#8:** Consider the flow around the Quonset shown in the figure to be represented by superimposing a uniform flow and 2-D a doublet. Assume steady, incompressible, potential flow. The ground plane is represented by the plane of symmetry and the hut by the upper half of the cylinder. The free-stream wind velocity is 30 m/s; the radius of the hut is 10m. The door of the hut is not well sealed, and the leakage opening is very small compared with the radius of the hut  $R$ . Therefore, the static pressure inside the hut is equal to that the outer surface of the hut where the door is located. Density of air  $\rho=1.2\text{kg/m}^3$ .

- If the door to the hut is located at ground level (i.e., at the stagnation point), what is the net lift acting on the hut?
- Where should the door be located (i.e., at what angle  $\theta_0$  relative to the ground) so that the net force on the hut will vanish?

