

8. Vorticity

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Problem 1.

Consider the following two examples of incompressible inviscid two-dimensional flow with constant density ρ , described by the velocities

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (2Ay, -2Ax), \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \left(\frac{Ay}{x^2 + y^2}, -\frac{Ax}{x^2 + y^2} \right)$$

Find the vorticity for both the flows. If the flow is irrotational, find also the pressure, assuming that the gravity is negligible and the pressure for $r \rightarrow \infty$ equals a known value p_∞ .

Problem 2.

Find the velocities for the following stream functions. Test whether the velocities correspond to a potential flow and the fields are incompressible.

$$\psi_1 = Axy, \quad \psi_2 = A(x^2 - y^2).$$

Problem 3.

For the following fields, find the stream function and the velocity potential:

a) Couette flow: Flow between two infinitely long horizontal plates with distance h . One of them is moving with velocity U and the second one is stationary. The velocity of the Couette flow is

$$u = U \frac{y}{h}, \quad v = 0.$$

b) Velocity field

$$u = A(x^2 - y^2), \quad v = -2Axy,$$

where A is a constant.