

ME 57200 Aerodynamic Design

Lecture #8: Basic Concepts in Aerodynamics

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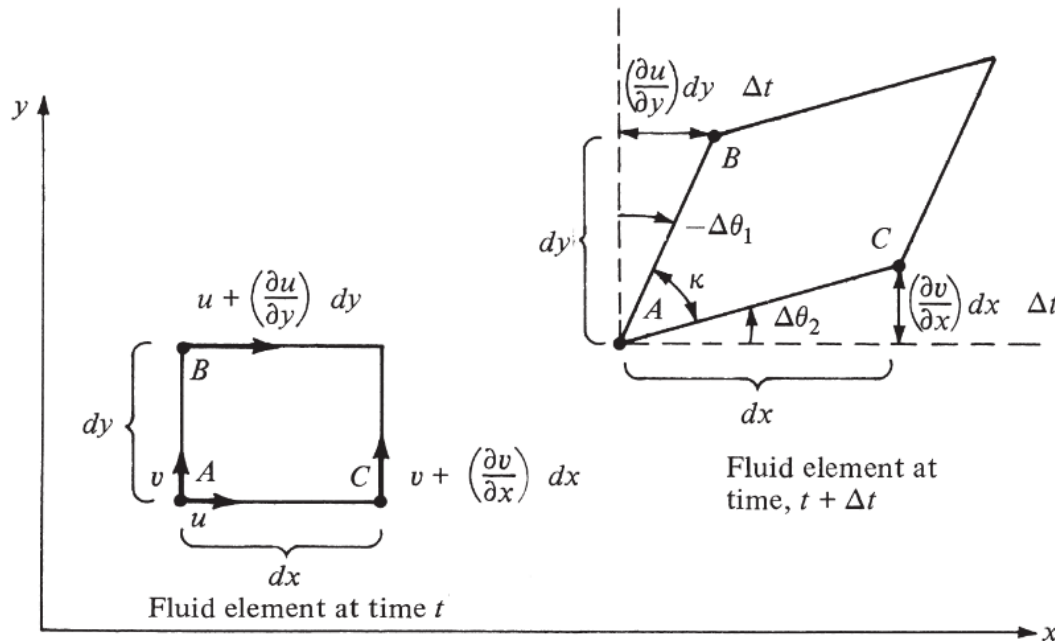
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Midterm Exam

- Tuesday, 3/12, from 09:30 to 10:45 am at Shepard S-308.
- The exam is open-book and open-notes.
- 5 True/False Questions: 10 pt
- 4 Math-based Problems: 40 pt
- Total: 50 pt

Angular Velocity and Vorticity



$$\Delta\theta_1 = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \Delta t$$

$$\Delta\theta_2 = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \Delta t$$

$$\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\theta_1}{\Delta t} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{d\theta_2}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta\theta_2}{\Delta t} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} + \frac{d\theta_2}{dt} \right)$$



$$\omega_z = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)$$

Angular Velocity and Vorticity

$$\omega = \omega_x \mathbf{i} + \omega_y \mathbf{j} + \omega_z \mathbf{k}$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k} \right]$$

Vorticity: twice of the angular velocity $\xi \equiv 2 \omega$

$$\xi = \left(\frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} \right) \mathbf{i} + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \mathbf{j} + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k}$$

$$\xi = \nabla \times \mathbf{V}$$

Angular Velocity and Vorticity

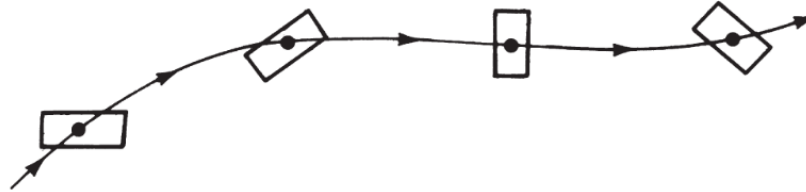
$$\xi = \nabla \times \mathbf{V}$$

In a velocity field, the curl of the velocity is equal to the vorticity.

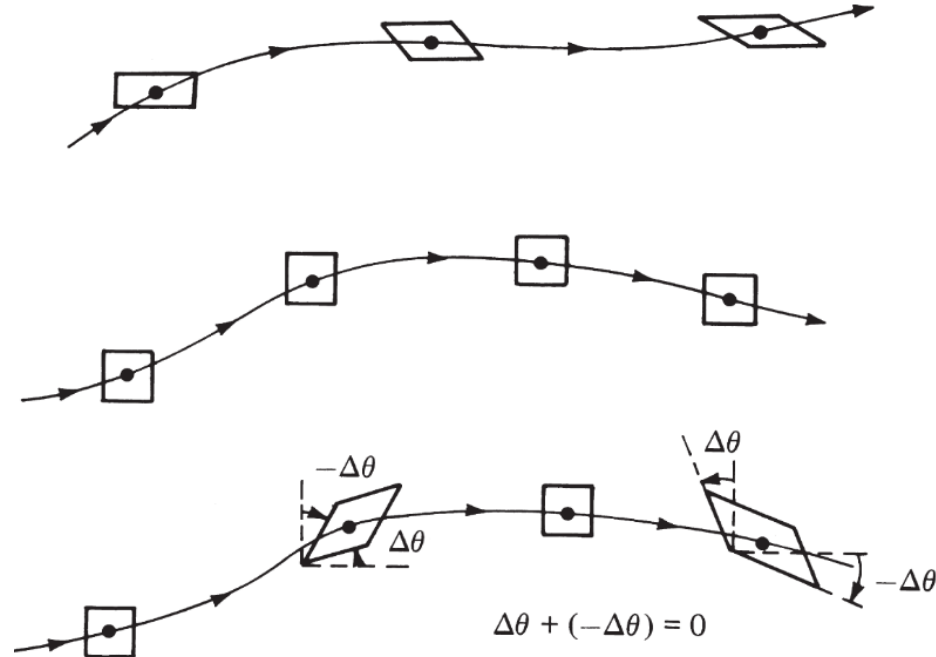
1. If $\nabla \times \mathbf{V} \neq 0$ at every point in a flow, the flow is called *rotational*.
This implies that the fluid elements have a finite angular velocity.
2. If $\nabla \times \mathbf{V} = 0$ at every point in a flow, the flow is called *irrotational*.
This implies that the fluid elements have no angular velocity;
rather, their motion through space is a pure translation.

Angular Velocity and Vorticity

Rotational Flow



Irrotational Flow



Angular Velocity and Vorticity

For 2-D flow

$$\xi = \xi_z \mathbf{k} = \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \mathbf{k}$$

If the flow is irrotational,

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0}$$

The condition of irrotationality for two-dimensional flow

In-Class Example

Consider the velocity field given by $u = y/(x^2 + y^2)$ and $v = -x/(x^2 + y^2)$.

calculate the vorticity.

Solution:

$$\vec{\zeta} = \nabla \times \vec{V} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ u & v & w \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \vec{i} & \vec{j} & \vec{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} & \frac{-x}{x^2+y^2} & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \vec{i} [0-0] - \vec{j} [0-0] + \vec{k} \left[\frac{(x^2+y^2)(-1) + x(2x)}{(x^2+y^2)^2} - \frac{(x^2+y^2) - y(2y)}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \right]$$

$$= 0\vec{i} + 0\vec{j} + 0\vec{k} = 0$$

Irrrotational except at the origin (0,0)

Circulation

Circulation: a fundamental tool to calculate aerodynamic lift
Consider a closed curve "C" in the flow field, let \vec{V} and $d\vec{s}$ be the velocity and directed line segment.



Circulation is defined as

$$\Gamma = -\oint_C \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

the negative line integral of
the velocity around a closed curve

Circulation is dependent only on

- the velocity field
- the choice of curve "C"

Circulation

Stokes' theorem:
$$-\oint_C \vec{v} d\vec{s} = -\iint_S (\nabla \times \vec{v}) d\vec{s}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma = -\iint_S (\nabla \times \vec{v}) d\vec{s} = -\iint_S \vec{\zeta} d\vec{s}$$

*: The circulation about a curve "C" is equal to the vorticity integrated over the open surface bounded by "C"



For irrotational flow $\Rightarrow \Gamma = 0$

Circulation

Circulation

Stream Function

Differential equation for a streamline : $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{v}{u}$

$$u = u(x, y), \quad v = v(x, y)$$

$\bar{\psi}(x, y) = C$ (C is arbitrary constant)

$$\bar{\psi} = C_4$$

$$\Delta \bar{\psi} = C_2 - C_1$$

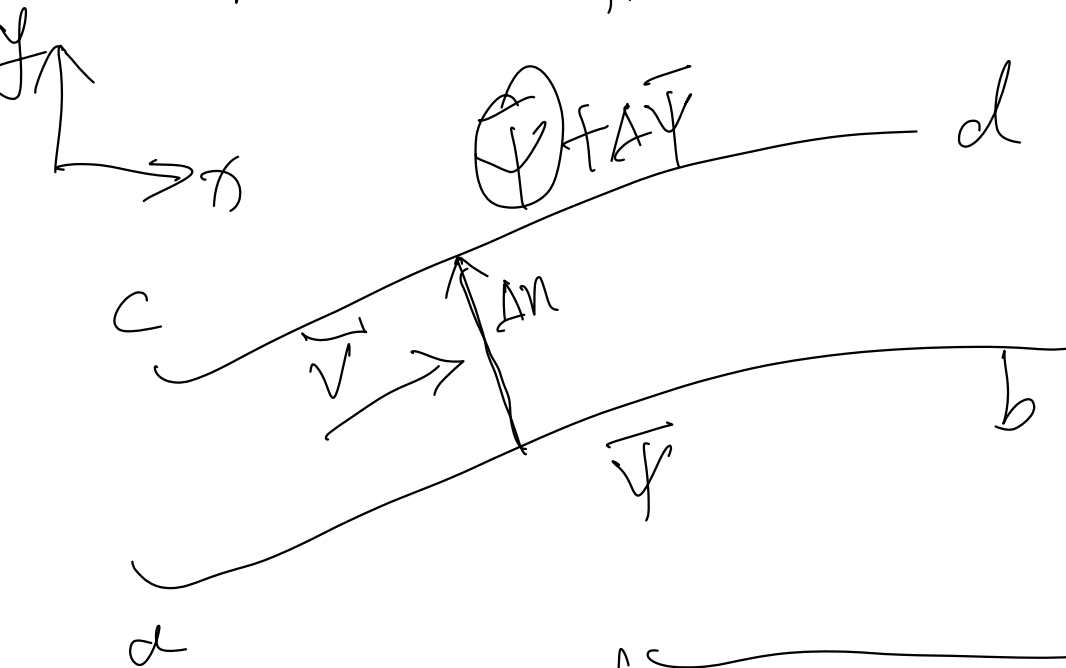
$$\bar{\psi} = C_3$$

$$\bar{\psi} = C_2$$

$$\bar{\psi} = C_1$$

Stream Function

Consider the mass flow rate inside a stream-tube



$$\Delta \bar{\Psi} = \rho V \Delta n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta \bar{\Psi}}{\Delta n} = \rho \cdot V$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial n} = \rho V \right)$$

$$\bar{\Psi} = \bar{\Psi}(x, y),$$

$$d\bar{\Psi} = \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial y} dy$$

$$\Delta \bar{\Psi} = \rho u \Delta y + \rho v \Delta x$$

$$\int d\bar{\Psi} = \rho u dy - \rho v dx$$

Stream Function

$$\rho u dy - \rho v dx = \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial x} dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \rho u = \frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial y} \\ \rho v = -\frac{\partial \bar{\Psi}}{\partial x} \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\rho \text{ is constant}}$$

$$\psi = \bar{\Psi} / \rho$$
$$\begin{cases} u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \\ v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \end{cases}$$

Stream Function

Velocity Potential

Irrrotational flow: $\nabla \times \vec{V} = 0$

$$\vec{V} = \nabla \phi$$

" ϕ " : velocity potential

$$\vec{V} = u\vec{i} + v\vec{j} + w\vec{k} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x}\vec{i} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y}\vec{j} + \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z}\vec{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} u = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \\ v = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \\ w = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \end{cases}$$

"For irrotational flow only"

Velocity Potential

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In-Class Quiz