

# ME 57200 Aerodynamic Design

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## Lecture #12: Elemental Flows

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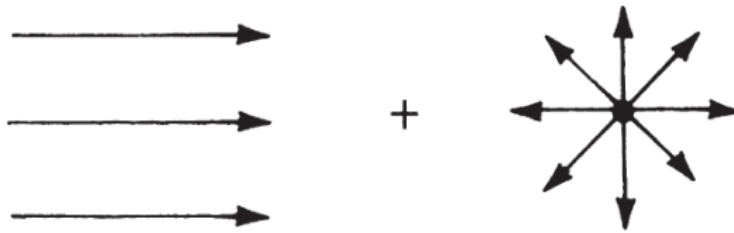
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# Elementary Flows

- **Combination of a uniform flow with a source flow**

Consider a polar coordinate system with a source of strength  $\Lambda$  located at the origin. Superimpose on this flow a uniform stream with velocity  $V_\infty$  moving from left to right.



Uniform stream

$$\psi = V_\infty r \sin \theta$$

Source

$$\psi = \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} \theta$$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

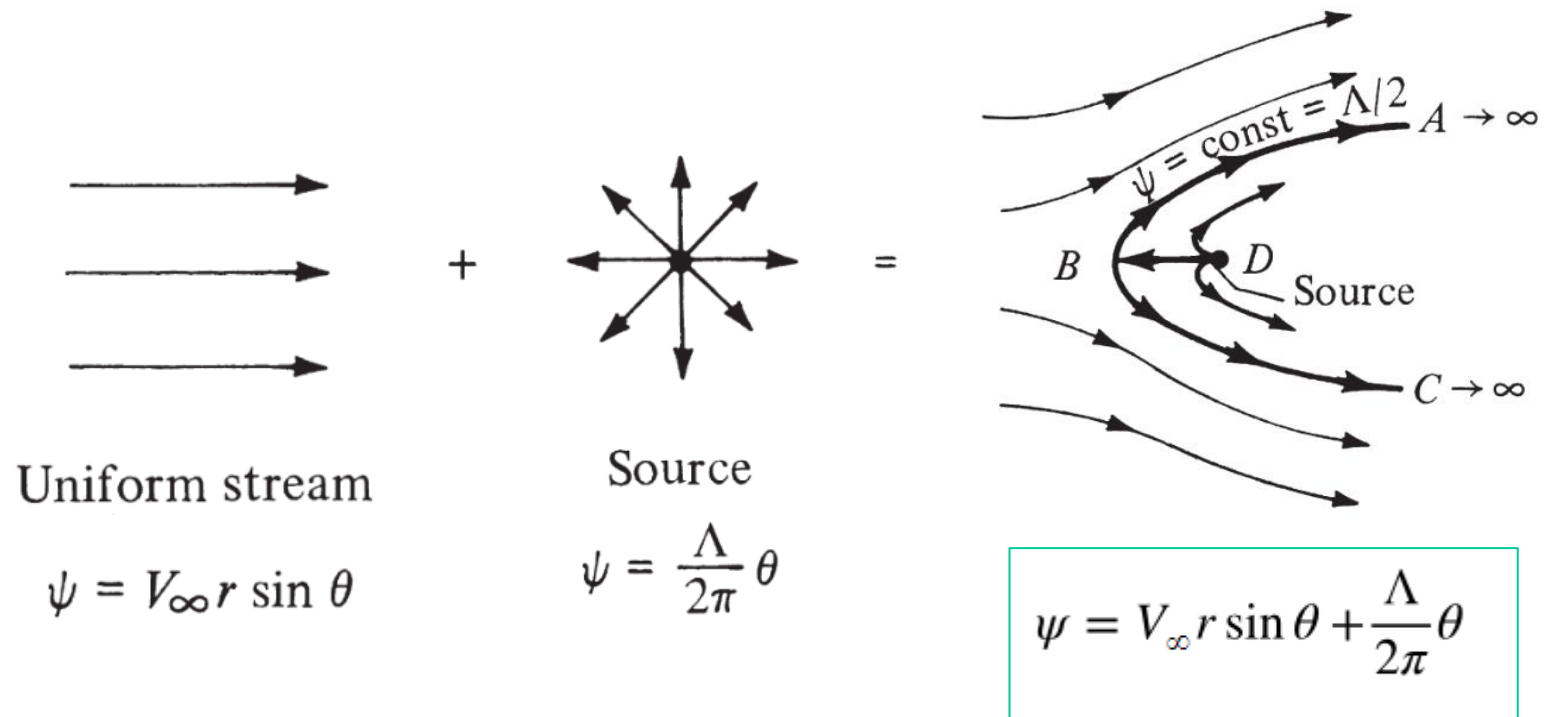
$\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n$  represent  $n$  separate solutions

$\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2 \dots + \phi_n$  is also a solution

# Elementary Flows

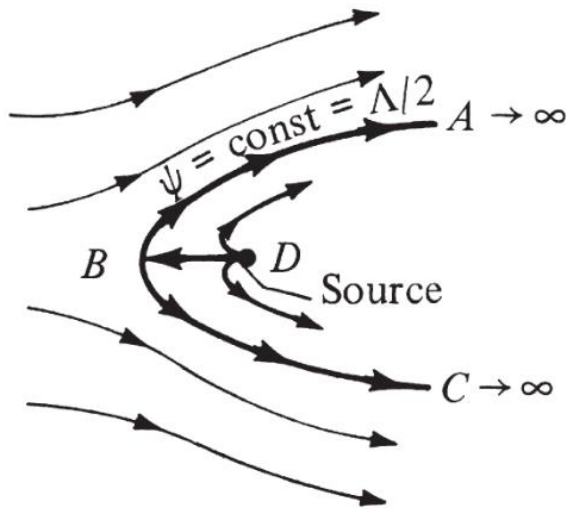
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# Elementary Flows

- Combination of a uniform flow with a source flow



$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} \theta$$

$$V_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} = V_{\infty} \cos \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi r}$$

$$V_{\theta} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = -V_{\infty} \sin \theta$$

To find the stagnation point

$$V_{\infty} \cos \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi r} = 0$$

$$(r, \theta) = (\Lambda/2\pi V_{\infty}, \pi)$$

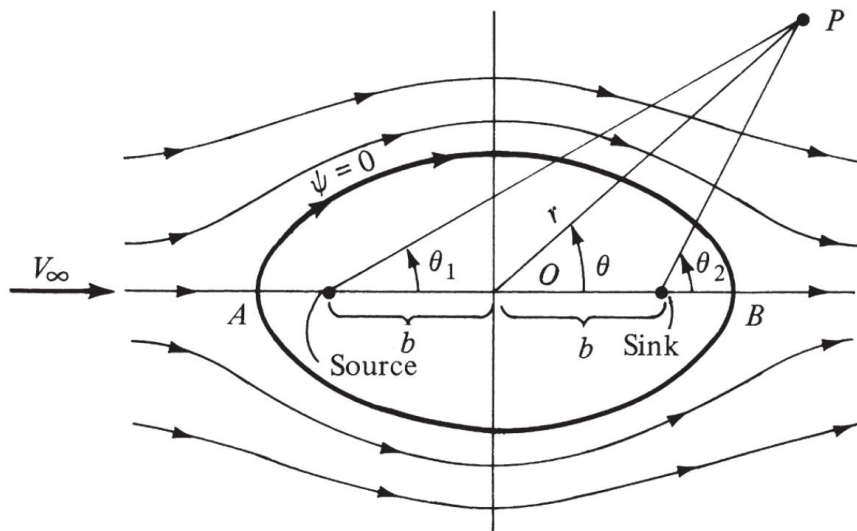
$$V_{\infty} \sin \theta = 0$$

The streamline that goes through the stagnation point

$$\psi = V_{\infty} \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi V_{\infty}} \sin \pi + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} \pi = \frac{\Lambda}{2}$$

# Elementary Flows

- Combination of a uniform flow with a source flow and a sink flow



*Rankine oval*

$$\psi = V_\infty r \sin \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} (\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

$$OA = OB = \sqrt{b^2 + \frac{\Lambda b}{\pi V_\infty}}$$

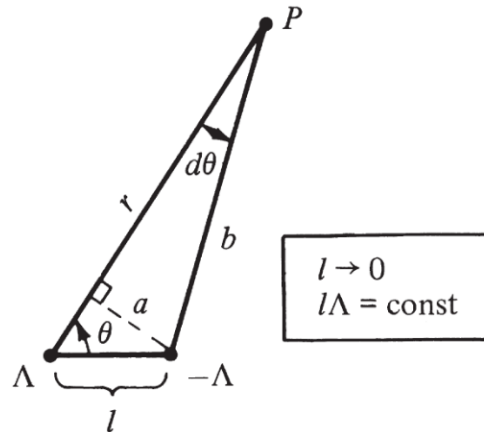
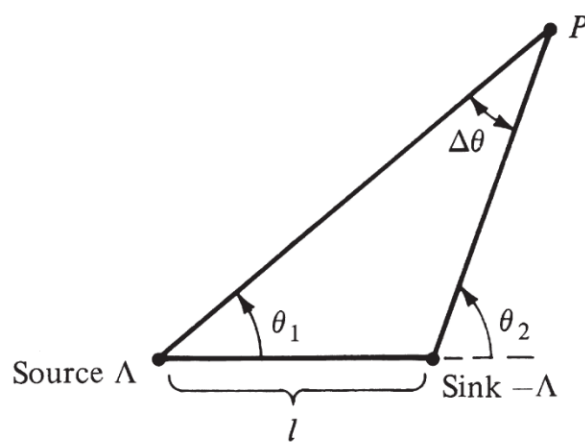
The stagnation streamline is given by

$$\psi = 0,$$

$$V_\infty r \sin \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} (\theta_1 - \theta_2) = 0$$

# Elementary Flows

- Doublet Flow



$$a = l \sin \theta$$

$$b = r - l \cos \theta$$

$$d\theta = \frac{a}{b}$$

$$\psi = -\frac{\kappa}{2\pi} \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$$

$$\phi = \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} \frac{\cos \theta}{r}$$

$$\psi = \frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} (\theta_1 - \theta_2) = -\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} \Delta\theta$$

$$\psi = \lim_{l \rightarrow 0} \left( -\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} d\theta \right)$$

$\kappa = l\Lambda = \text{const}$

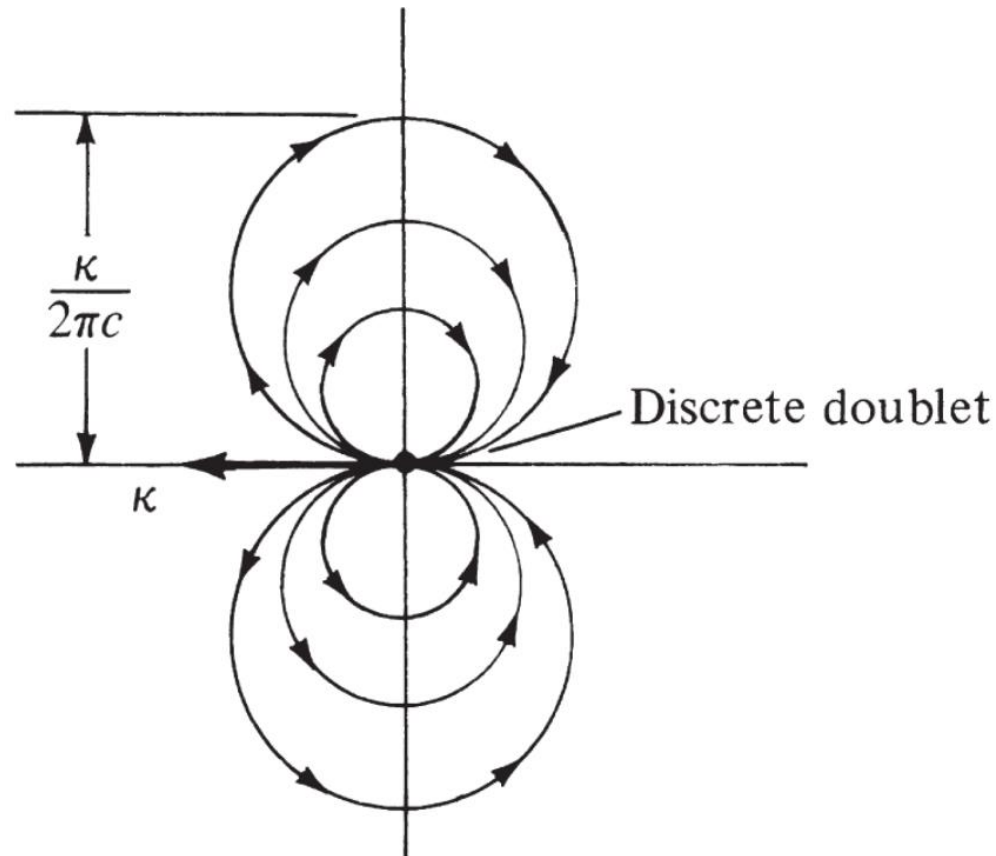
$$d\theta = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{l \sin \theta}{r - l \cos \theta}$$

$$\psi = \lim_{l \rightarrow 0} \left( -\frac{\Lambda}{2\pi} \frac{l \sin \theta}{r - l \cos \theta} \right)$$

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# Elementary Flows

- Doublet Flow

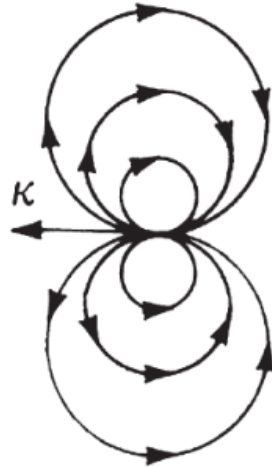


# Elementary Flows

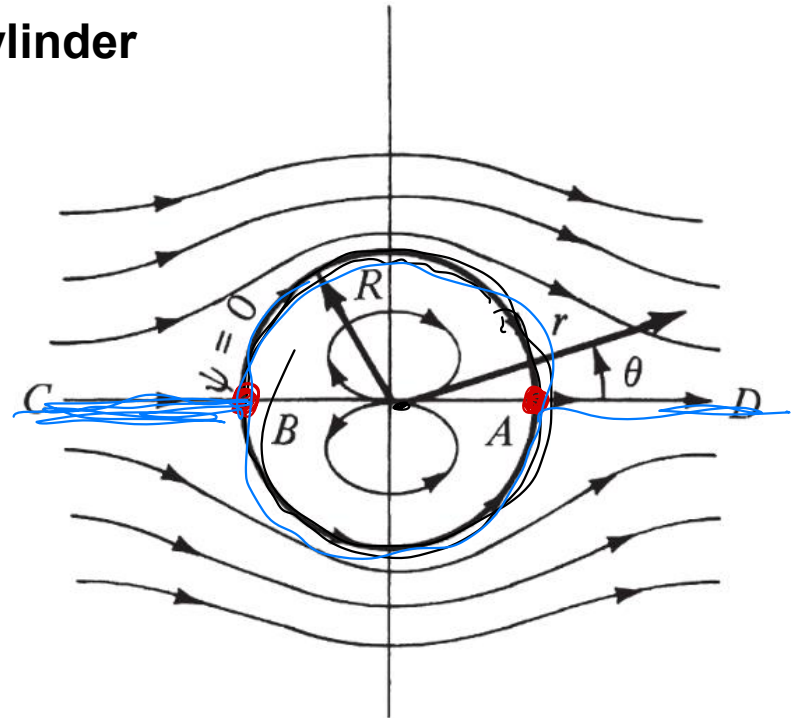
- Nonlifting Flow over a Circular Cylinder



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Uniform flow

$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta$$

Doublet

$$\psi = \frac{-\kappa}{2\pi} \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$$

Flow over a cylinder

$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta - \frac{\kappa}{2\pi} \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$$



# Elementary Flows

$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta - \frac{K}{2\pi} \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$$

$$\psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta \left( 1 - \frac{K}{2\pi V_{\infty} r^2} \right)$$

$$R^2 \equiv \frac{K}{2\pi V_{\infty}} \Rightarrow \psi = V_{\infty} r \sin \theta \left( 1 - \frac{R^2}{r^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} V_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} = \frac{1}{r} \left( V_{\infty} R \cos \theta \right) \left( 1 - \frac{R^2}{r^2} \right) = \left( 1 - \frac{R^2}{r^2} \right) \cdot V_{\infty} \cos \theta \\ V_{\theta} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = -\left( 1 + \frac{R^2}{r^2} \right) V_{\infty} \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} V_r = 0 \\ V_{\theta} = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow r = R, \quad \theta = 0, \pi$$

$$\Rightarrow (R, 0), (R, \pi)$$

# Elementary Flows

⇒ The equation of the stagnation streamline

$$\psi = (V_{\infty} r \sin\theta) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{R^2}{r^2}\right) = 0$$

⇒ ①  $r = R$  for all values of  $\theta$ ,  $R^2 = \frac{k}{2\pi V_{\infty}}$

⇒ ②  $\sin\theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0, \pi$ , for all values of  $r$   
⇒ the entire horizontal axis

# Elementary Flows

$\Rightarrow$  { All the flow inside  $\psi = 0$  comes from doublet  
All the flow outside  $\psi = 0$  comes from uniform flow.

\* The inviscid irrotational, incompressible flow over a circular cylinder of radius  $R$  can be synthesized by adding a uniform flow with velocity  $V_\infty$  and a doublet of strength  $K$ , where  $R$  is related to  $V_\infty$  and  $K$

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{K}{2\pi V_\infty}}$$

# Elementary Flows

$$\begin{cases} V_r = \left(1 - \frac{R^2}{r^2}\right) V_\infty \cos\theta \\ V_\theta = -\left(1 + \frac{R^2}{r^2}\right) V_\infty \sin\theta \end{cases}$$

at  $r = R$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} V_r = 0 \\ V_\theta = -2V_\infty \sin\theta \end{cases}$

$$\underline{p + \frac{1}{2}\rho V^2 = p_\infty}$$



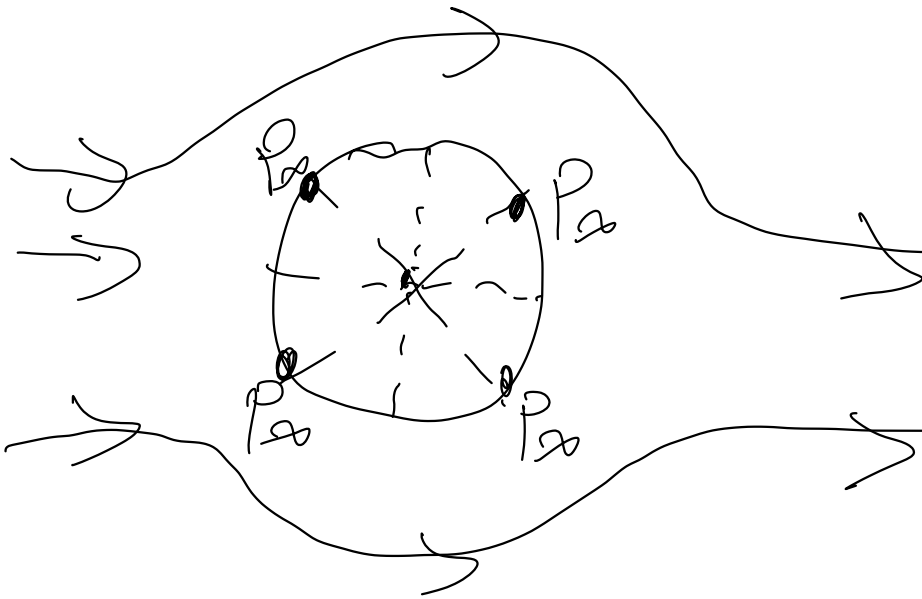
# Elementary Flows

$$C_p = \frac{P - P_\infty}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2} = \frac{\left( P_0 - \frac{1}{2} \rho V^2 \right) - \left( P_0 - \frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2 \right)}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2}$$

$$C_p = 1 - \frac{\frac{1}{2} \rho V^2}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2} = 1 - \left( \frac{V}{V_\infty} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_p = 1 - \left( \frac{-2V_\infty \sin \theta}{V_\infty} \right)^2 = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta$$

# Elementary Flows



Calculate the locations on the surface of the cylinder where the surface pressure equals the freestream pressure  $P_\infty$

$$\Rightarrow C_p = \frac{P - P_\infty}{\frac{1}{2} \rho V_\infty^2} = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta = 0$$

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \theta = 30^\circ, 330^\circ$$
$$\sin \theta = \pm \frac{1}{2} \quad 150^\circ, 210^\circ$$

# Elementary Flows

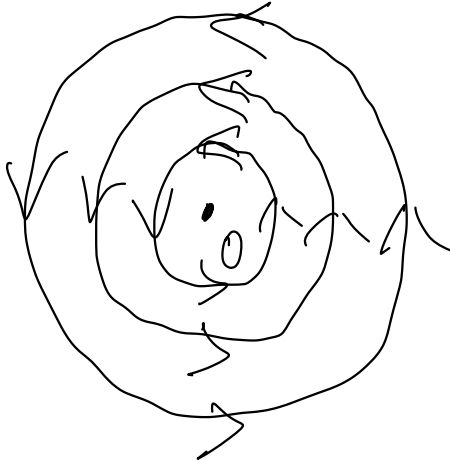
Aerodynamic forces:  $\tau = 0$ ,  $C_p = 1 - 4\sin^2\theta$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} C_n = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^c (C_{pu} - C_{pl}) dx = 0 \\ C_a = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^c (C_{pu} - C_{pl}) dy = 0 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  no lift, no drag, Not existing in real life.

# Elementary Flows

Vortex Flow : a flow where all the streamlines are concentric circles about a given point. The velocity along any given circular streamline is constant but vary from one to another inversely with distance from the common center.



$$\begin{cases} V_r = 0 \\ V_\theta = \frac{\text{const}}{r} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \underbrace{\nabla \cdot \vec{V}} = 0 & \text{"Continuity equation"} \\ \nabla \times \vec{V} = 0 & \text{"Irrotational" except "0"} \end{cases}$$



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## In-Class Quiz