

# Documentation of RVortexInt

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# 1 Introduction

The function RVortexInt evaluates the dimensionless induced velocity of a ring vortex by integration of the Biot-Savart law:

$$\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{P}) = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\mathbf{R} \otimes d\mathbf{l}}{R^3} \quad (1.1)$$

Where:

$$\mathbf{R} = (x - \bar{x})\mathbf{i} + (y - \bar{y})\mathbf{j} + z\mathbf{k} \quad (1.2)$$

Since the ring vortex equations are:

$$\bar{x} = \bar{r}\cos(\vartheta), \quad \bar{y} = \bar{r}\sin(\vartheta), \quad \bar{z} = 0 \quad (1.3)$$

The vector product is developed in this way:

$$d\mathbf{l} = \frac{d\mathbf{s}}{d\vartheta}d\vartheta = (-\bar{r}\sin\vartheta\mathbf{i} + \bar{r}\cos\vartheta\mathbf{j})d\vartheta \quad (1.4)$$

$$\mathbf{R} \otimes d\mathbf{l} = -z\bar{r}\cos\vartheta\mathbf{i} + z\bar{r}\sin\vartheta\mathbf{j} + [(x - \bar{x})\bar{r}\cos\vartheta + (y - \bar{y})\bar{r}\sin\vartheta]\mathbf{k} \quad (1.5)$$

And:

$$R^3 = [(x - \bar{x})^2 + (y - \bar{y})^2 + z^2]^{\frac{3}{2}} \quad (1.6)$$

The three induced velocities are:

$$V_x(x, y, z) = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \bar{r}z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos\vartheta d\vartheta}{R^3} \quad (1.7)$$

$$V_y(x, y, z) = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \bar{r}z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin\vartheta d\vartheta}{R^3} \quad (1.8)$$

$$V_z(x, y, z) = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \bar{r} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{[(x - \bar{x})\bar{r}\cos\vartheta + (y - \bar{y})\bar{r}\sin\vartheta]d\vartheta}{R^3} \quad (1.9)$$

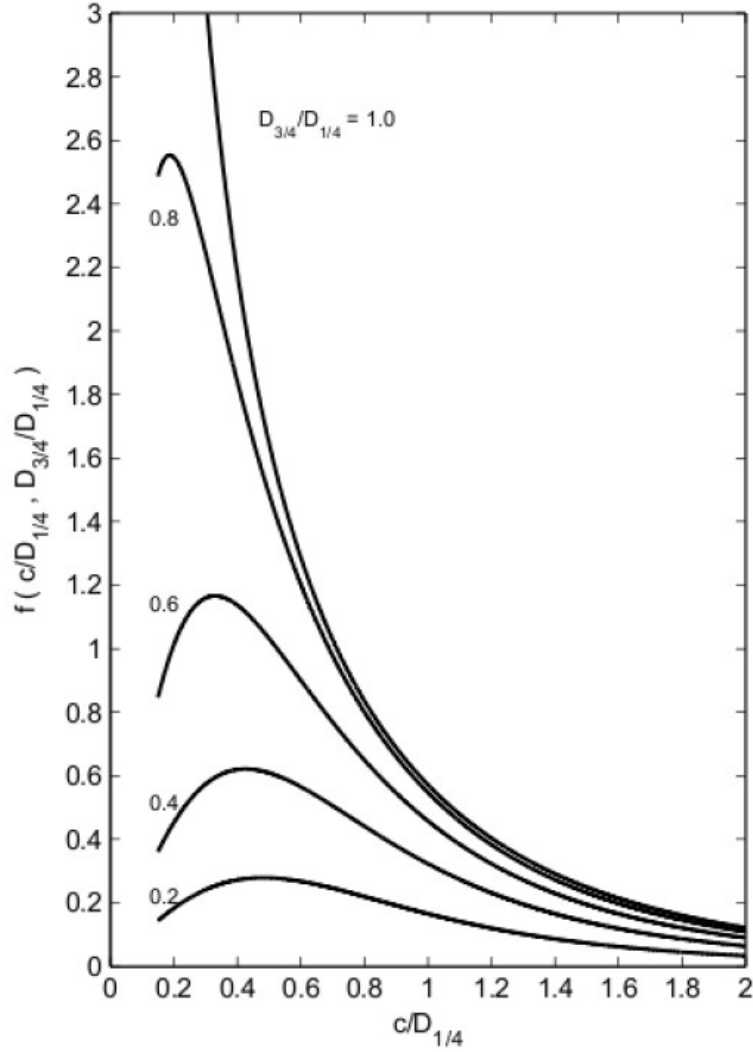
If the origin of the coordinate system is placed on the ring vortex, The distance between the ring vortex and the velocity control point is  $z = \frac{3}{4}$  of the length shroud less  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the same. The velocity component of interests is  $V_x$  calculated imposing  $y = 0$  and  $x = D_{\frac{1}{4}}/2$  because it provides exactly the radial component.

$$V_x(x, 0, z) = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \bar{r}z \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos\vartheta d\vartheta}{[(x - \bar{r}\cos\vartheta)^2 + (\bar{r}\sin\vartheta)^2 + z^2]^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad (1.10)$$

This model is based on the McCornick's Theory: The point at 3/4 of chord of the shroud is classified as a control point and of course it is the point where the velocity of interests is evaluated. Instead the Ring Vortex is placed at 1/4 of the shroud.

$$f\left(\frac{c}{D_{1/4}}, \frac{D_{3/4}}{D_{1/4}}\right) = \frac{V_x \pi D_{1/4}}{\Gamma} = \frac{1}{4} \bar{r} z D_{1/4} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos \vartheta d\vartheta}{[(x - \bar{r} \cos \vartheta)^2 + (\bar{r} \sin \vartheta)^2 + z^2]^{\frac{3}{2}}} \quad (1.11)$$

The results that are expected are represented on the following picture for different ratio of  $\frac{D_{3/4}}{D_{1/4}}$  and  $\frac{C}{D_{1/4}}$ . [1],[2]



**Figure 1.1:** Velocity induced by vortex ring

## 2 Algorithm description

The user has to give as inputs three different values: the shroud length and the diameter at the  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the shroud too.

In this way, it could correctly place the ring vortex at  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the shroud and the velocity control point at  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the shroud length. The ring vortex radius is equaled to the radius at  $1/4$  of the shroud.

The code performs the Biot-Savart's integrals on the three directions using anonymous functions based on the value of  $\vartheta$ . The MatLab function *Integral* is used for the calculations.

```

1 % Anonymous Function
2 R1=@(t) cos(t)./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2 +(y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z(i).^2)).^(3/2);
3 R2=@(t) sin(t)./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2 +(y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z(i).^2)).^(3/2);
4 R3=@(t)((x-r.*cos(t)).*cos(t)+(y-r.*sin(t)).*sin(t))./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2+(y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z(i).^2)).^(3/2);
5 % Integrals
6 Ix(i)=integral(R1,0,2*pi);
7 Iy(i)=integral(R2,0,2*pi);
8 Iz(i)=integral(R3,0,2*pi);

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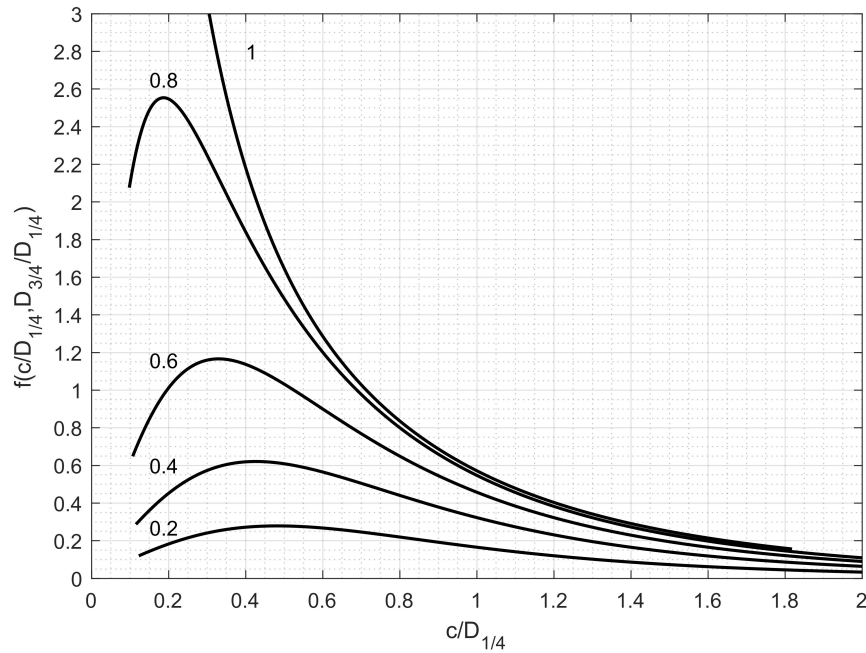
The code evaluates the dimensionless components of the velocity induced by the ring vortex based on the Biot-Savart's Law at  $3/4$  of the shroud.

```

1 %Dimensionless;
2 fx(i)=(r*z(i)*D14/4)*Ix(i);
3 fy(i)=-(r*z(i)*D14/4)*Iy(i);
4 fz(i)=-(r*D14/4)*Iz(i);

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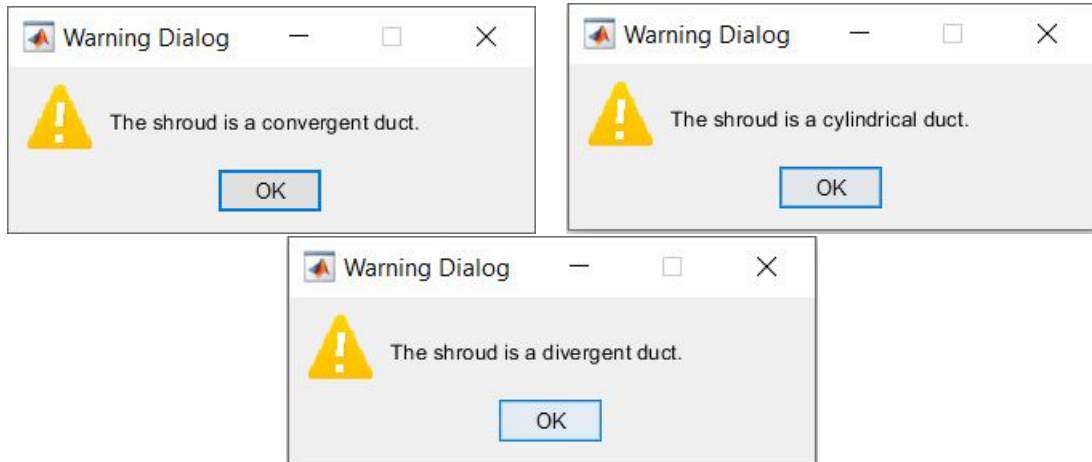
The code's output is the value of  $f_x$ . It has been developed another version of the code that gives as output the curves for different Ratio of  $D_{3/4}/D_{1/4}$  and  $C/D_{1/4}$ .



**Figure 2.1:** Induced speed for different ratios- MatLab

### 3 Warnings indicators

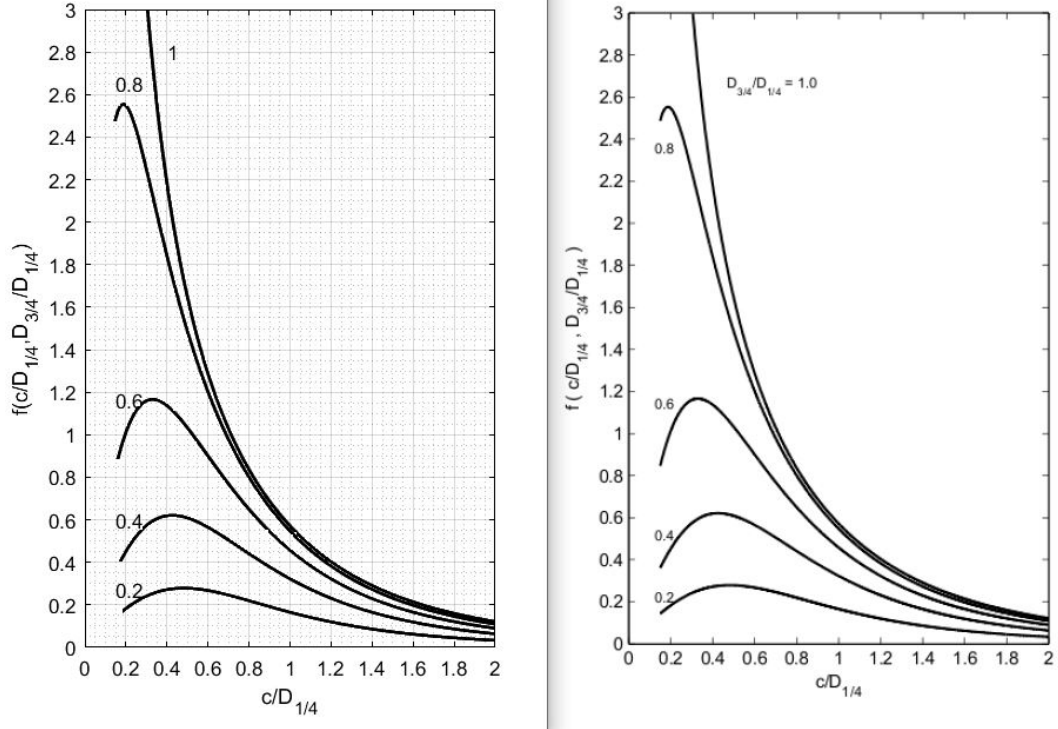
There is a warning when the user runs the code. According to the input data there are three different warnings pop-ups that advice the user of which shroud is being analyzed.



*Figure 3.1: Code's warnings for shroud geometry.*

## 4 Test Case

In order to validate the function it is done a comparison between the results obtained with the integration to the ones of reference on the [2].



**Figure 4.1:** Test cases: Left: MatLab code output. Right: Reference data

There is a good overlap between the two graphics.

## 5 Appendix: Code

```

1  % \RVortexInt.m
2  % \The function evaluates the dimensionless radial velocity component
3  %   of the ring vortex by means of integration of Biot-Savart law
4  % \Olino Massimiliano, Marino Giuseppe
5  % \1.0
6  %
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24 % =====
25 % Name      : RVortexInt.m
26 % Author    : Olino Massimiliano, Marino Giuseppe
27 %           : University of Naples Federico II.
28 % Version   : 1.0
29 % Date      : 01/12/2020
30 % Modified  : 22/01/2021
31 % Description : The function evaluates the dimensionless radial velocity component
32 %               of the ring vortex by means of integration of Biot-Savart law
33 % Reference   : McCormick, B.W.,(1967), Aerodynamics of V/STOL Flight, Academic Press.
34 %             : Tognaccini, R., (2020), Lezioni di AERODINAMICA DELL'ALA ROTANTE.
35 % Input      : ch (chord) D14, D34 (The diameters at 1/4 and 3/4 of the shroud)
36 % Output     : fx (the dimensionless radial velocity component of the ring vortex )
37 % Note       :
38 % =====
39
40 function [fx] = RVortexInt(ch,D14,D34)
41 c_D14=ch/D14;           % Ratio between chord and diameter at 1/4
42 RatioD=D34/D14;        % Ratio between diameter at 3/4 and 1/4
43
44 r=(D14/2);             % flow radius
45 x=D34/2;               % x coordinate of the Speed control point
46 z=ch*(3/4)-ch*(1/4);   % distance along the z-axis between the vortex and the control point
47 y=0;                   % y coordinate of the Speed control point
48
49 % Anonymous Function
50 R1=@(t) cos(t)./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2 +((y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z^2)).^(3/2);
51 R2=@(t) sin(t)./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2 +(y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z^2)).^(3/2);
52 R3=@(t) ((x-r.*cos(t)).*cos(t)+(y-r.*sin(t)).*sin(t))./(((x-r.*cos(t)).^2 +(y-r.*sin(t)).^2+z^2)).^(3/2);
53
54 % Integrals
55 Ix=integral(R1,0,2*pi);
56 Iy=integral(R2,0,2*pi);
57 Iz=integral(R3,0,2*pi);
58
59 % Adimensionalisation of the velocity components
60
61 fx=(r*z*D14/4)*Ix;     % Component of interests
62 fy=-(r*z*D14/4)*Iy;
63 fz=-(r*D14/4)*Iz;
64
65 % Vector sum

```



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66 f=sqrt(fx^2+fy^2+fz^2);
67
68 % Results
69 figure(1);
70 plot(f,f)
71 axis ([0 1 0 1]);
72 text(0.25,1,'Velocity induced by vortex ring:');
73 text(0.25,0.90,['fx= ',num2str(fx)]);
74 axis off;
75
76 % Warnings
77 if D14>D34
78     warndlg('The shroud is a convergent duct.');
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79 elseif D14<D34
80     warndlg('The shroud is a divergent duct.');
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81 else D14=D34;
82     warndlg('The shroud is a cylindrical duct.');
```

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83 end
84 end
```

# Bibliography

- [1] McCORMICK, B.W.,(1967), *Aerodynamics of V/STOL Flight*, Academic Press.
- [2] TOGNACCINI, R., (2020), *Lezioni di AERODINAMICA DELL'ALA ROTANTE*.