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Elementary plane flows

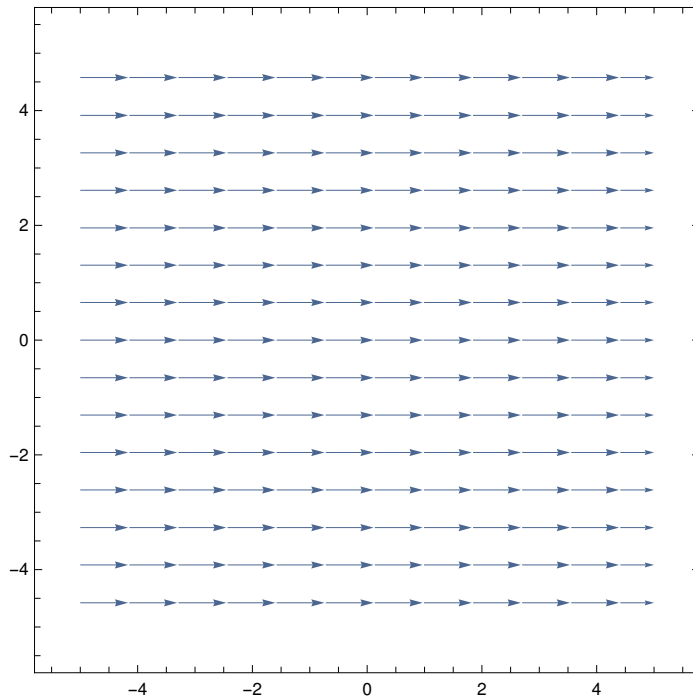
In this notebook, we look at elementary plane flows that can be described using simple potential functions. The velocity profiles are obtained by the gradient of potentials.

$$u = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} \text{ and } v = -\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} \text{ or } \vec{u} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi$$

We use coordinate transformation where necessary before plotting.

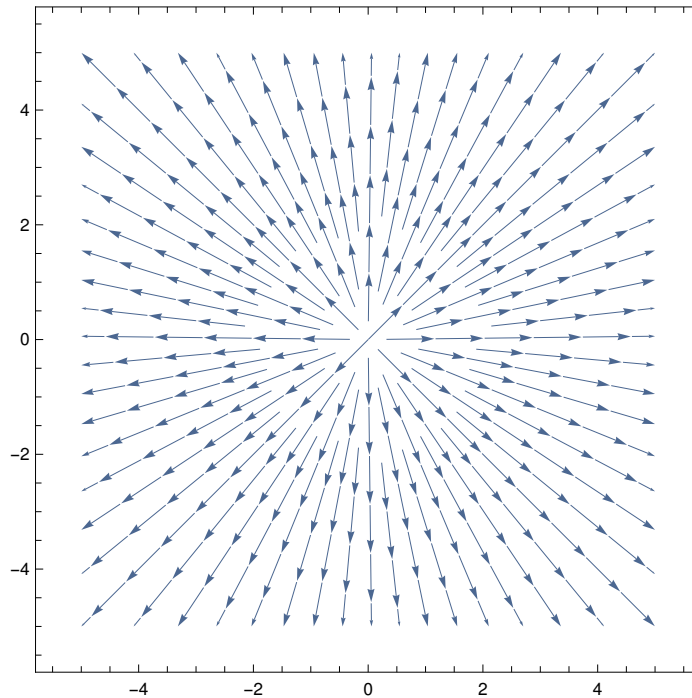
Uniform flow

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 $\phi_1[x_, y_] := -2 x;$   
 $v_1 = -\text{Grad}[\phi_1[x, y], \{x, y\}];$   
 $\text{StreamPlot}[v_1, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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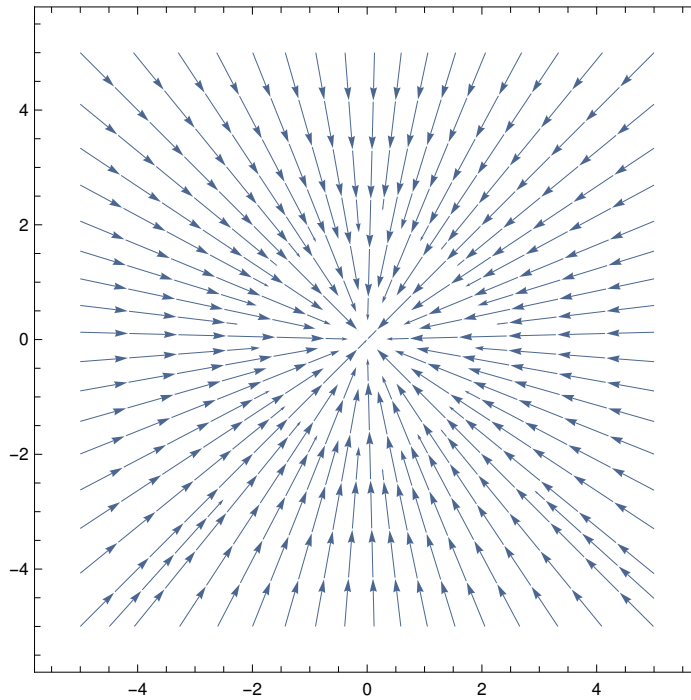
Source flow

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 $\phi_2[r_, \theta_] := -\text{Log}[r] / (2 \text{ Pi});$   
 $v_2 = -\text{Grad}[\phi_2[r, \theta], \{r, \theta\}, \text{"Polar"}];$   
 $v_{2xy} = \text{TransformedField}[\text{"Polar"} \rightarrow \text{"Cartesian"}, v_2, \{r, \theta\} \rightarrow \{x, y\}] // \text{Simplify};$   
 $\text{StreamPlot}[v_{2xy}, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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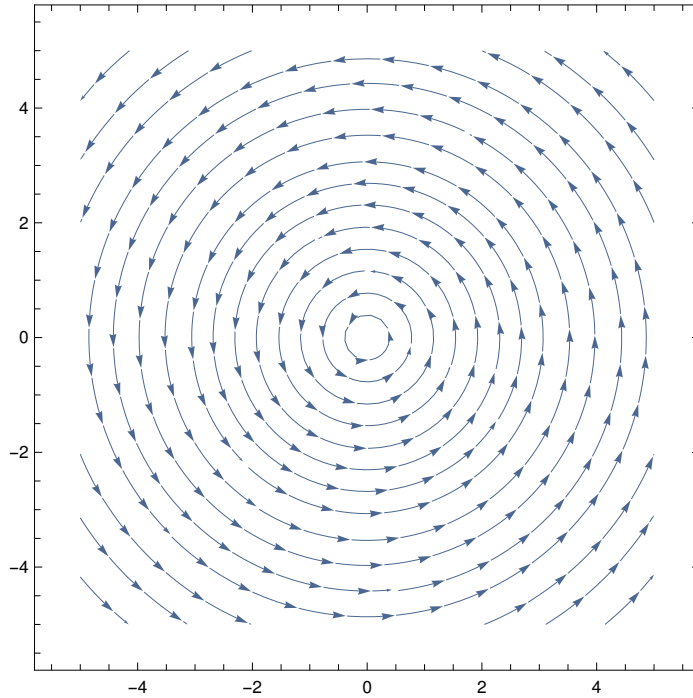
Sink flow

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 $\phi_3[r_, \theta_] := \text{Log}[r] / (2 \text{ Pi});$   
 $v_3 = -\text{Grad}[\phi_3[r, \theta], \{r, \theta\}, \text{"Polar"}];$   
 $v_{3xy} = \text{TransformedField}[\text{"Polar"} \rightarrow \text{"Cartesian"}, v_3, \{r, \theta\} \rightarrow \{x, y\}] // \text{Simplify};$   
 $\text{StreamPlot}[v_{3xy}, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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Irrotational vortex

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 $\phi[r_, \theta_] := -\theta / (2 \text{ Pi});$   
 $v4 = -\text{Grad}[\phi[r, \theta], \{r, \theta\}, \text{"Polar"}];$   
 $v4xy = \text{TransformedField}[\text{"Polar"} \rightarrow \text{"Cartesian"}, v4, \{r, \theta\} \rightarrow \{x, y\}] // \text{Simplify};$   
 $\text{StreamPlot}[v4xy, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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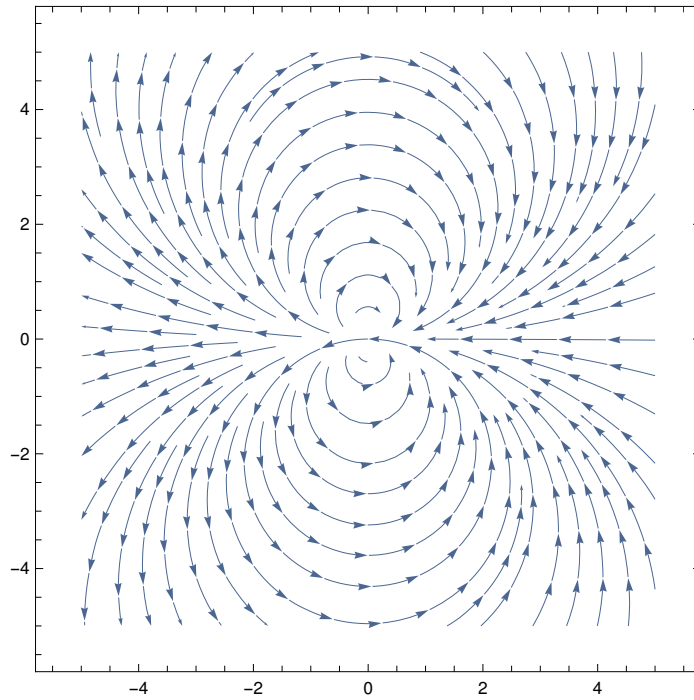


Doublet

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 $\phi_5[r_, \theta_] := -2 \cos[\theta] / (r);$ 
v5 = -Grad[ $\phi_5[r, \theta]$ , {r,  $\theta$ }, "Polar"];
v5xy = TransformedField["Polar" → "Cartesian", v5, {r,  $\theta$ } → {x, y}] // Simplify;
StreamPlot[v5xy, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -5, 5}]

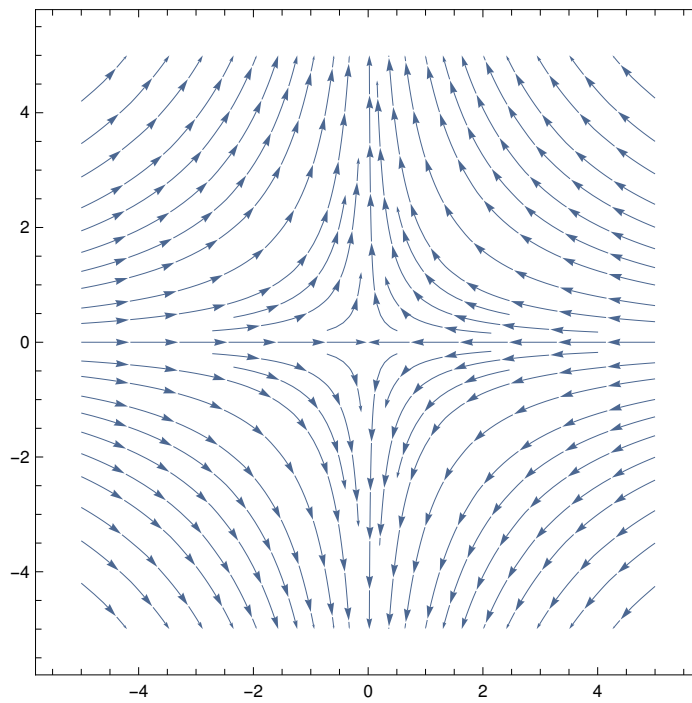
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Stagnation Flow

Flow Stagnation

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 $\phi_{11}[x_, y_] := x^2 - y^2;$   
 $v_{11} = -\text{Grad}[\phi_{11}[x, y], \{x, y\}, \text{"Cartesian"}];$   
 $\text{StreamPlot}[v_{11}, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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Source and uniform flow

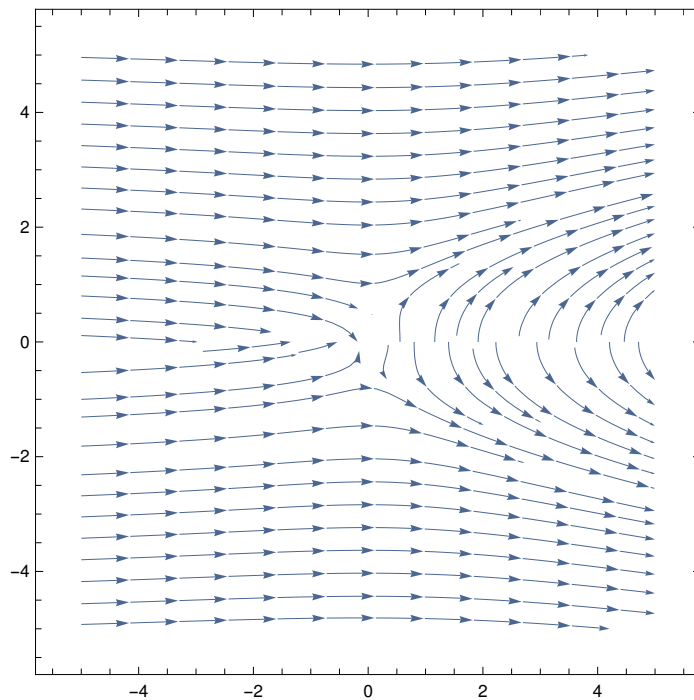
This pattern will look like flow past a half-body. Change the constants to adjust the strength of the flow.

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 $\phi_6[r_, \theta_] := -2 \operatorname{Log}[\theta] - 3 r \operatorname{Cos}[\theta];$   

v6 = -Grad[ $\phi_6[r, \theta]$ , {r,  $\theta$ }, "Polar"];  

v6xy = TransformedField["Polar" → "Cartesian", v6, {r,  $\theta$ } → {x, y}] // Simplify;  

StreamPlot[v6xy, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -5, 5}]
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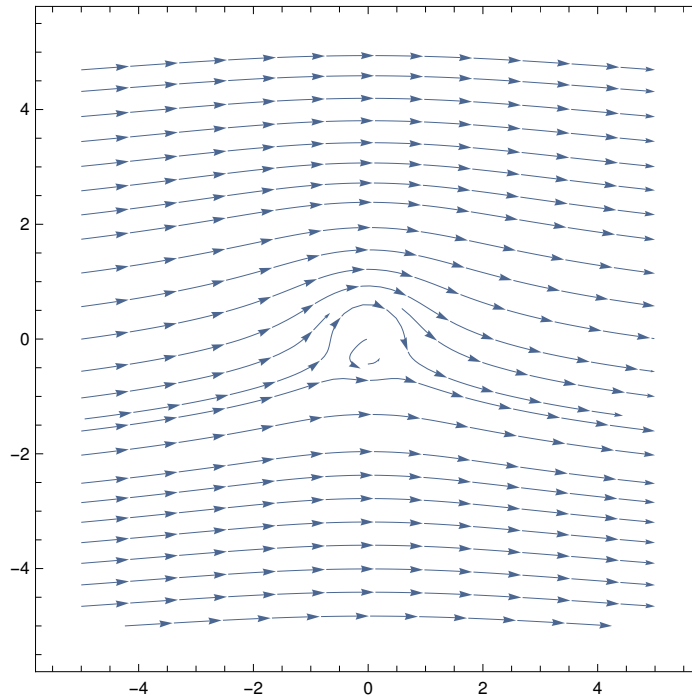


Doublet, Vortex and uniform flow

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 $\phi_7[r_, \theta_] := 2 \theta - 3 r \cos[\theta] - \cos[\theta]/(r);$ 
v7 = -Grad[ $\phi_7[r, \theta]$ , {r,  $\theta$ }, "Polar"];
v7xy = TransformedField["Polar" → "Cartesian", v7, {r,  $\theta$ } → {x, y}] // Simplify;
StreamPlot[v7xy, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -5, 5}]

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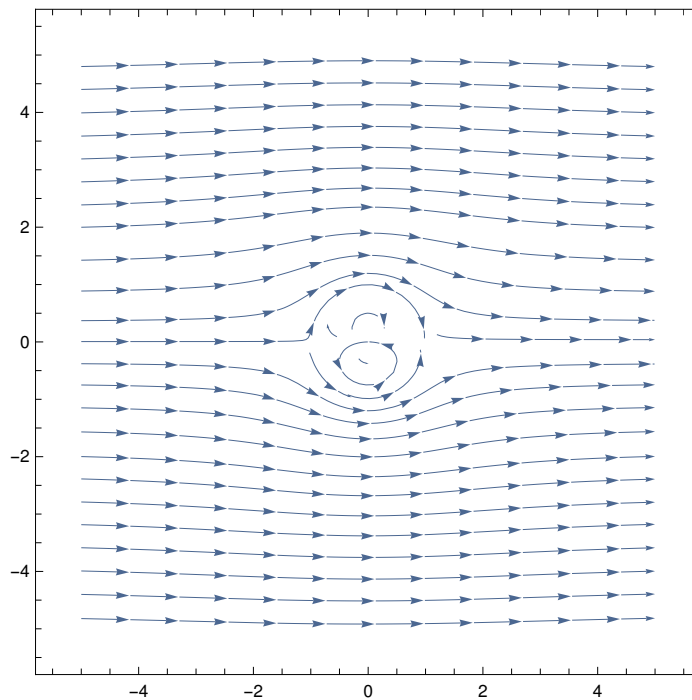
Doublet and uniform flow

This pattern simulates flow past a cylinder.

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 $\phi_8[r_, \theta_] := -2 r (1 + 1/r^2) \cos[\theta];$ 
v8 = -Grad[ $\phi_8[r, \theta]$ , {r,  $\theta$ }, "Polar"];
v8xy = TransformedField["Polar" → "Cartesian", v8, {r,  $\theta$ } → {x, y}] // Simplify;
StreamPlot[v8xy, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -5, 5}]

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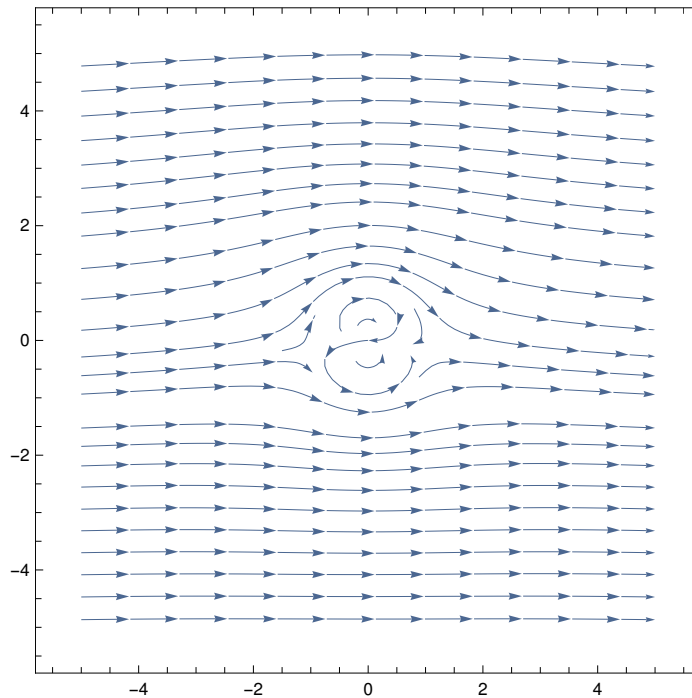
Doublet, vortex and uniform flow

This pattern simulates flow past a cylinder with circulation.

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 $\phi_9[r_, \theta_] := -2 r (1 + 1/r^2) \cos[\theta] + 4 \theta / (2 \text{ Pi});$ 
v9 = -Grad[ $\phi_9[r, \theta]$ , {r,  $\theta$ }, "Polar"];
v9xy = TransformedField["Polar" → "Cartesian", v9, {r,  $\theta$ } → {x, y}] // Simplify;
StreamPlot[v9xy, {x, -5, 5}, {y, -5, 5}]

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Source and vortex

This pattern simulates a spiral vortex.

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 $\phi_{10}[r_, \theta_] := -2 \operatorname{Log}[r] - 4 \theta;$   
 $v_{10} = -\operatorname{Grad}[\phi_{10}[r, \theta], \{r, \theta\}, \text{"Polar"}];$   
 $v_{10xy} = \operatorname{TransformedField}[\text{"Polar"} \rightarrow \text{"Cartesian"}, v_{10}, \{r, \theta\} \rightarrow \{x, y\}] // \operatorname{Simplify};$   
 $\operatorname{StreamPlot}[v_{10xy}, \{x, -5, 5\}, \{y, -5, 5\}]$ 
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