

**Challenge Problem 3 (OPTIONAL)**

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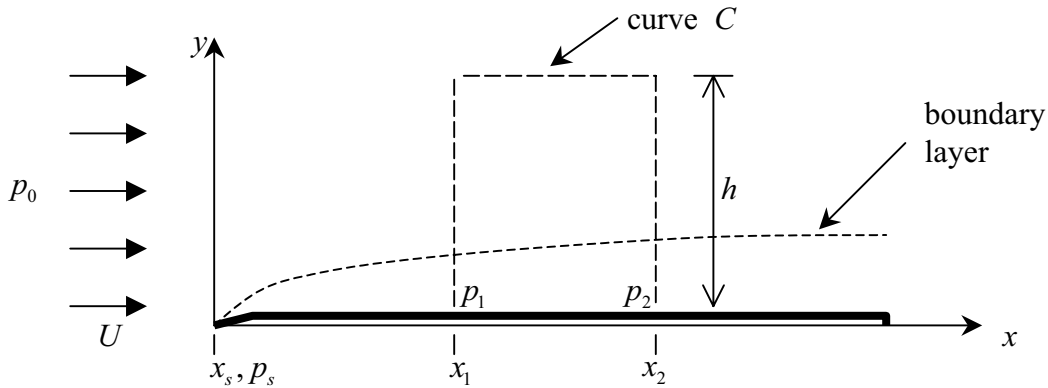
1. Consider a real fluid ( $\nu \neq 0$ ) of constant density. Use the Navier-Stokes Equations to show that

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \oint_C \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \iint_A \nabla \times (\vec{\omega} \times \vec{v}) \cdot \hat{n} dS + \oint_C \nu \nabla^2 \vec{v} \cdot d\vec{l} \quad (1)$$

where  $C$  is a closed curve fixed in space and  $A$  is any surface bounded by  $C$ .

*Hint:* Use the identity  $(\vec{v} \cdot \nabla) \vec{v} = \vec{\omega} \times \vec{v} + \nabla(\frac{1}{2} \vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$ .

2. A real, constant density fluid flows over a thin flat plate placed in a free stream of velocity  $\vec{v} = U\hat{i}$ , creating a boundary layer. Assume that the flow is steady. Consider a rectangular curve fixed with respect to the plate and boundary layer as shown:



The point  $x_s$  at the leading edge of the plate is a stagnation point where the stagnation pressure is  $p_s$ . The pressure at point  $x_1$  is  $p_1$ . Point  $x_2$  is assumed to be far enough downstream in the boundary layer that  $p_2$  equals the free stream pressure  $p_0$ .

(a) Use equation (1) in Problem 1 to show that

$$\frac{p_2}{p_1} = \int_0^h (u\zeta)_{x=x_2} dy - \int_0^h (u\zeta)_{x=x_1} dy \quad (2)$$

where  $\vec{v} = u\hat{i} + v\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{\omega} = \zeta\hat{k}$  for two-dimensional flow.

*Hint:* Evaluate the Navier-Stokes equations at  $y = 0$  on the plate to obtain a relationship between the pressure gradient and velocity gradient. Use this relation to evaluate the line integral.

Note that the right-hand side term in equation (2) represents the *net* flux of vorticity transported or convected in the horizontal direction through the vertical sections at  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  by the velocity component  $u$ .

(b) Now move the left side of the rectangular curve  $C$  to the leading edge of the plate so that  $x_1 = x_s$ , and leave  $x_2$  fixed.

(i) Show that equation (2) becomes

$$\frac{-U^2}{2} = \int_0^h (u\zeta)_{x=x_2} dy \quad (3)$$

(ii) If  $x_2$  is *any* point in the region of the boundary layer where  $p_2 = p_0$  (in other words, where  $dp/dx = 0$ ), what can you say about the convection of vorticity through any vertical section in this region?

(c) Now imagine that  $x_1$  is downstream of the leading edge and near  $x_2$ , so that  $p_1 = p_2 = p_0$ .

(i) Write equation (2) for this case.

(ii) What is the *net* convection of vorticity through any two vertical sections in the region of the boundary layer where  $dp/dx = 0$ ?

(d) Based on your answers to (b) and (c), what can you conclude about *where* vorticity is introduced into a flat-plate boundary layer?