Introduction to Marine Hydrodynamics (NA235)

(2014-2015, 2nd Semester)

Assignment No.5

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Problem 1: Given velocity field of a flow:

 $u = y + 2z, \quad v = z + 2x, \quad w = x + 2y$

Determine: (1) Vorticity field of the flow and the equation of vortex lines;

(2) Vortex strength passing a cross section with area $dS = 0.0001m^2$ on the plane x + y + z = 1.

Solution: Let the three components of the vorticity be $\Omega_x, \Omega_y, \Omega_z$, then:

$$\Omega_x = \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial z} = 2 - 1 = 1$$
$$\Omega_y = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 2 - 1 = 1$$
$$\Omega_z = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2 - 1 = 1$$

So the vorticity is: $\vec{\Omega} = \vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}$

The equation of vortex lines is:
$$\frac{dx}{\Omega_x} = \frac{dy}{\Omega_y} = \frac{dz}{\Omega_z}$$
, then: $\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{1} = \frac{dy}{1} \\ \frac{dy}{1} = \frac{dz}{1} \end{cases}$

Integrating, $\begin{cases} x - y = C_1 \\ y - z = C_2 \end{cases}$

Let the unit normal vector of x + y + z = 1 be $\vec{n}(l, m, n)$,

Because F(x, y, z) = x + y + z - 1 = 0, then: $\frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = 1$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial y} = 1$, $\frac{\partial F}{\partial z} = 1$

$$l = \frac{\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial y}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial F}{\partial z}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}$$

Similarly, $m = n = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}$ $\Omega_n = \vec{\Omega} \cdot d\vec{S} = (\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}) \cdot (\vec{i} + \vec{j} + \vec{k}) \cdot \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}$

So the strength of the vortex tube is:

$$\Gamma = \Omega_n dS = 0.0001 \times \sqrt{3} = 0.000173 m^2 / s$$

Problem 2: A planar fluid flow is given in a polar coordinate system:

$$v_r = U_0(1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2})\cos\theta, \quad v_\theta = -U_0(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2})\sin\theta + \frac{k}{r}$$

where *a*, *k*, U_0 are constants. Determine the velocity circulation around an arbitrary closed curve, which encloses the circle centered at the origin of radius r = a.

Solution: At r=a, $v_r=0$, which satisfies the no- penetration condition, so the circle can be regarded as a solid boundary, then the vorticity is:

$$\Omega = \frac{\partial v_{\theta}}{\partial r} + \frac{v_{\theta}}{r} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial v_r}{\partial \theta}$$

= $U_0 \frac{2a^2}{r^3} \sin \theta - \frac{k}{r^2} - \frac{U_0}{r} (1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2}) \sin \theta + \frac{k}{r^2} + \frac{U_0}{r} (1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2}) \sin \theta$
= 0

The flow outside of the circle r=a is irrotational.

The velocity circulation around any closed curve C enclosing the circle r = a is:

$$\Gamma_C = \Gamma_{r=a} = \int_0^{2\pi} \left[-U_0 \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right) \sin \theta + \frac{k}{r} \right] r d\theta = 2\pi k$$

Problem 3: Given velocity distribution of a flow: $u = -\omega y$, $v = \omega x$. Determine (1) Velocity circulation around the circle with a radius *R* and the vortex flux passing through the area surrounded by that circle; (2) Velocity circulation around closed curve *abcd* (see Figure 5-3) and the vortex flux passing through the area bounded by that curve.



Figure 5-3

Solution: This is a plane flow, so the vorticity is a scalar quantity:

$$\Omega = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 2\omega = const$$

which is independent of the coordinates. In polar coordinates, the velocity distribution is:

$$v_r = u\cos\theta + v\sin\theta = -\omega r\sin\theta\cos\theta + \omega r\cos\theta\sin\theta$$
$$= 0$$
$$v_{\theta} = -u\sin\theta + v\cos\theta = \omega r\sin^2\theta + \omega r\cos^2\theta$$
$$= \omega r$$

(1) Velocity circulation around a circle with a radius R is:

$$\Gamma_{r=R} = \int_0^{2\pi} v_\theta r d\theta = \omega R^2 \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta = 2\pi \omega R^2$$

Based on Stokes' theorem, the vortex flux is:

$$\phi = \iint_{\sigma} \Omega_n d\sigma = \Gamma_{r=R} = 2\pi\omega R^2$$

(2) For the closed curve *abcd*, because $\Omega = 2\omega = const$, the vortex flux is: $\phi = \Omega \sigma = 2\omega R \cdot dR \cdot d\theta = \Gamma_{abcd}$

Problem 4: Suppose an ideal fluid is barotropic and under the action of body forces with potential Θ_{\cdot} Now if at an instant velocity field \vec{V} of such a flow is irrotational, then verify that the corresponding local acceleration field $\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t}$ will be irrotational as well at any instant. Furthermore, derive the theorem that in that case vortex can be neither created nor destroyed.

Solution: From Euler equation: $\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + (\vec{V} \cdot \nabla)\vec{V} = \vec{F} - \frac{1}{\rho}\nabla P$,

where $(\vec{V} \cdot \nabla)\vec{V} = \nabla(\frac{V^2}{2}) - \vec{V} \times \vec{\Omega}$

If the body force is potential, i.e., $\vec{F} = -\nabla\Theta$; the fluid is barotropic, i.e., $\nabla\Pi = \frac{1}{\rho} \nabla P$, then Euler equation can be transformed as:

$$\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} = -\nabla (\frac{V^2}{2} + \Pi + \Theta) + \vec{V} \times \vec{\Omega}$$

Suppose the velocity field \vec{V} is irrotational at a time $t=t_1$, then:

$$\left(\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t}\right)_{t_1} = -\nabla\left(\frac{V^2}{2} + \Pi + \Theta\right) + \vec{V} \times \vec{\Omega}$$

So at this time, $\left(\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t}\right)_{t_1}$ is also irrotational (because it is potential).

For another time t2 after t1, the velocity \vec{V} can be expanded as:

$$\vec{V}_{t_2} = \vec{V}_{t_1} + \left(\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t}\right)_{t_1} \left(t_2 - t_1\right) + \left(\frac{\partial^2 \vec{V}}{\partial t^2}\right)_{t_1} \frac{\left(t_2 - t_1\right)^2}{2} + \cdots$$

If $\Delta t = t_2 - t_1$ is small enough, the high order terms can be neglected, i.e.,:

$$\vec{V}_{t_2} = \vec{V}_{t_1} + (\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t})_{t_1} (t_2 - t_1)$$

Because \vec{V}_{t_1} , $(\frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t})_{t_1}$ are all irrotational, \vec{V}_{t_2} is also irrotational. This in turn, can verify that \vec{V}_{t_3} , \vec{V}_{t_4} are irrotational.

Problem 5: Four vortices with an equal strength Γ initially located at (1, 0), (0, 1), (-1, 0), (0, -1) respectively. Determine the path for each of

them.



Figure 5-5

Solution: Because of the symmetry, only consider the motion of one of the vortex. Take the vortex A as an example, its velocity is induced by the vortices at points B, C, D.

$$V_{BA} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi \cdot \sqrt{2}} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\sqrt{2}\pi}$$
$$V_{DA} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi \cdot \sqrt{2}} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\sqrt{2}\pi}$$
$$V_{CA} = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi \cdot 2} = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi}$$

So the two components of velocity at point A are:

$$u_A = 0$$
, $v_A = V_{CA} + \sqrt{V_{BA}^2 + V_{DA}^2} = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} + \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}$

Because of the symmetry, the origin is the center of gravity of the four vortices and it is a fixed point, Vortex A will rotate around the origin, the angular velocity is:

$$\omega = \frac{v_A}{r} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi \cdot 1} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}$$

Thus, in polar coordinates, the motion equation of point A is:

$$r_A = 1, \quad \theta_A = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}t$$

Similarly,

$$r_{B} = 1, \quad \theta_{B} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}t + \frac{\pi}{2}$$
$$r_{C} = 1, \quad \theta_{C} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}t + \pi$$
$$r_{D} = 1, \quad \theta_{D} = \frac{3\Gamma}{4\pi}t + \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

Problem 6: Suppose a circular vortex line, whose radius is a, and strength is Γ . Determine the induced velocity on the symmetry axis.



Figure 5-6

Solution: Take the symmetry axis is z axis, pointing upwards, and take the center of the vortex circle as the origin of the coordinates, as shown below:

Take an element ds on the circular vortex line, it induces a velocity to

point M at z axis:

$$d\vec{V} = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \frac{d\vec{s} \times d\vec{r}}{r^3}$$

Its norm is: $\left| d\vec{V} \right| = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi} \frac{ad\theta}{r^2} = \frac{\Gamma ad\theta}{4\pi (a^2 + z^2)}$

The projection of $d\vec{V}$ on z axis is:

$$dw = \frac{-\Gamma a d\theta}{4\pi (a^2 + z^2)} \sin \alpha$$
$$= \frac{-\Gamma a d\theta}{4\pi (a^2 + z^2)} \cdot \frac{a}{\sqrt{a^2 + z^2}}$$
$$= \frac{-\Gamma a^2 d\theta}{4\pi (a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

The induced velocity at point M by the whole circular vortex is:

$$w = \oint dw = -\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{-\Gamma a^2}{4\pi (a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} d\theta = \frac{-\Gamma a^2}{2(a^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

If the circular vortex is slipping downwards along z axis with an uniform velocity, then the induced velocity at point M decreases.



Problem 7: Two vortices at a distance *r* with strengths Γ_1 and Γ_2 respectively, of same magnitude $|\Gamma_1| \neq |\Gamma_2|$. Determine motions of these vortices for Γ_1 and Γ_2 with same or opposite signs.



Figure 5-7

Solution: (1) Γ_1 and Γ_2 have the same sign

Take the location of Γ_1 as the origin of the coordinates, *x* axis is the direction along *r* to the right side, then the coordinates of Γ_1 and Γ_2 are Γ_1 (0, 0) and $\Gamma_2(r, 0)$, the coordinates of the center of gravity C is:

$$\xi_C = \frac{\Gamma_1 \xi_1 + \Gamma_2 \xi_2}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2} = \frac{\Gamma_2 r}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2} < r$$
$$\eta_C = \frac{\Gamma_1 \eta_1 + \Gamma_2 \eta_2}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2} = 0$$

The center of gravity locates in between the two vortices. If $\Gamma_2 > \Gamma_1$, the center of gravity is close to Γ_2 , the two vortices will rotate around the center of gravity C.

The induced velocity at Γ_1 is: $v_1 = \frac{\Gamma_2}{2\pi r}$

The angular velocity of the two vortices is: $\omega = \frac{v_1}{\xi_c} = \frac{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}{2\pi r^2}$

(1) Γ_1 and Γ_2 have the opposite sign

Suppose $|\Gamma_1| < |\Gamma_2|$, the coordinates of Γ_1 and Γ_2 are Γ_1 (0, 0) and $\Gamma_2(r, 0)$, the coordinates of the center of gravity C is:

$$\xi_C = \frac{\Gamma_2 r}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2} > r$$
$$\eta_C = 0$$

The two vortices rotate around the center of gravity.

The induced velocity at Γ_1 is: $v_1 = \frac{\Gamma_2}{2\pi r}$

The angular velocity of the two vortices is: $\omega = \frac{v_1}{\xi_c} = \frac{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}{2\pi r^2}$