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# List of 16 Elementary Flows Formulas

## Elementary Flows

### Doublet Flow

#### 1) Stream Function for 2-D Doublet Flow

$$fx \quad \psi = \frac{\kappa \cdot \sin(\theta)}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r}$$

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$$ex \quad 38.73372m^2/s = \frac{3400m^3/s \cdot \sin(0.7rad)}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 9m}$$

#### 2) Velocity Potential for 2-D Doublet Flow

$$fx \quad \phi = \frac{\kappa}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r} \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

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$$ex \quad 45.98629m^2/s = \frac{3400m^3/s}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 9m} \cdot \cos(0.7rad)$$

### Source Flow


#### 3) Radial Velocity for 2-D Incompressible Source Flow

$$fx \quad V_r = \frac{\Lambda}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r}$$

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$$ex \quad 2.36964m/s = \frac{134m^2/s}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 9m}$$




4) Source Strength for 2-D Incompressible Source Flow 

$$fx \quad \Lambda = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot r \cdot V_r$$

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$$ex \quad 133.4549m^2/s = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot 9m \cdot 2.36m/s$$

5) Stagnation Streamline Equation for Flow over Semi-Infinite Body 

$$fx \quad \psi = 0.5 \cdot \Lambda$$

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$$ex \quad 67m^2/s = 0.5 \cdot 134m^2/s$$

6) Stream Function for 2-D Incompressible Source Flow 

$$fx \quad \Psi_{source} = \frac{\Lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \theta$$

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$$ex \quad 14.92873m^2/s = \frac{134m^2/s}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot 0.7rad$$

7) Stream Function for Flow over Rankine Oval 


$$fx \quad \Psi_r = V_\infty \cdot r \cdot \sin(\theta) + \left( \frac{\Lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \right) \cdot (\theta_1 - \theta_2)$$

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$$ex$$

$$-48.200111m^2/s = 6.4m/s \cdot 9m \cdot \sin(0.7rad) + \left( \frac{134m^2/s}{2 \cdot \pi} \right) \cdot (10rad - 14rad)$$



8) Stream Function for Semi-Infinite Body 

$$fx \quad \psi = V_{\infty} \cdot r \cdot \sin(\theta) + \frac{\Lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \theta$$

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$$ex \quad 52.03567\text{m}^2/\text{s} = 6.4\text{m}/\text{s} \cdot 9\text{m} \cdot \sin(0.7\text{rad}) + \frac{134\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot 0.7\text{rad}$$

9) Velocity Potential for 2-D Source Flow 

$$fx \quad \phi = \frac{\Lambda}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \ln(r)$$

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$$ex \quad 46.85969\text{m}^2/\text{s} = \frac{134\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \ln(9\text{m})$$

Uniform Flow 10) Stream Function for Uniform Incompressible Flow 

$$fx \quad \psi = V_{\infty} \cdot y$$

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$$ex \quad 37.12\text{m}^2/\text{s} = 6.4\text{m}/\text{s} \cdot 5.8\text{m}$$

11) Stream Function for Uniform Incompressible Flow in Polar Coordinates 

$$fx \quad \psi = V_{\infty} \cdot r \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

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$$ex \quad 37.10694\text{m}^2/\text{s} = 6.4\text{m}/\text{s} \cdot 9\text{m} \cdot \sin(0.7\text{rad})$$

12) Velocity Potential for Uniform Incompressible Flow 

$$fx \quad \phi = V_{\infty} \cdot x$$

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$$ex \quad 37.248\text{m}^2/\text{s} = 6.4\text{m}/\text{s} \cdot 5.82\text{m}$$




13) Velocity Potential for Uniform Incompressible Flow in Polar Coordinates 

$$fx \quad \phi = V_{\infty} \cdot r \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

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$$ex \quad 44.05491\text{m}^2/\text{s} = 6.4\text{m}/\text{s} \cdot 9\text{m} \cdot \cos(0.7\text{rad})$$

Vortex Flow 14) Stream Function for 2-D Vortex Flow 

$$fx \quad \Psi_{\text{vortex}} = \frac{\gamma}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \ln(r)$$

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$$ex \quad -146.873644\text{m}^2/\text{s} = \frac{-420\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{2 \cdot \pi} \cdot \ln(9\text{m})$$

15) Tangential Velocity for 2-D Vortex Flow 

$$fx \quad V_{\theta} = -\frac{\gamma}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot r}$$

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$$ex \quad 7.427231\text{m}/\text{s} = -\frac{-420\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot 9\text{m}}$$

16) Velocity Potential for 2-D Vortex Flow 

$$fx \quad \phi = -\left(\frac{\gamma}{2 \cdot \pi}\right) \cdot \theta$$

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$$ex \quad 46.79155\text{m}^2/\text{s} = -\left(\frac{-420\text{m}^2/\text{s}}{2 \cdot \pi}\right) \cdot 0.7\text{rad}$$








## Variables Used

- $r$  Radial Coordinate (Meter)
- $V_\infty$  Freestream Velocity (Meter per Second)
- $V_r$  Radial Velocity (Meter per Second)
- $V_\theta$  Tangential Velocity (Meter per Second)
- $x$  Distance on X-Axis (Meter)
- $y$  Distance on Y-Axis (Meter)
- $\gamma$  Vortex Strength (Square Meter per Second)
- $\theta$  Polar Angle (Radian)
- $\theta_1$  Polar Angle from Source (Radian)
- $\theta_2$  Polar Angle from Sink (Radian)
- $\kappa$  Doublet Strength (Cubic Meter per Second)
- $\Lambda$  Source Strength (Square Meter per Second)
- $\phi$  Velocity Potential (Square Meter per Second)
- $\psi$  Stream Function (Square Meter per Second)
- $\psi_r$  Rankine Oval Stream Function (Square Meter per Second)
- $\psi_{\text{source}}$  Source Stream Function (Square Meter per Second)
- $\psi_{\text{vortex}}$  Vortex Stream Function (Square Meter per Second)



## Constants, Functions, Measurements used

- **Constant:**  $\pi$ , 3.14159265358979323846264338327950288  
*Archimedes' constant*
- **Function:** **cos**,  $\cos(\text{Angle})$   
*Cosine of an angle is the ratio of the side adjacent to the angle to the hypotenuse of the triangle.*
- **Function:** **ln**,  $\ln(\text{Number})$   
*The natural logarithm, also known as the logarithm to the base e, is the inverse function of the natural exponential function.*
- **Function:** **sin**,  $\sin(\text{Angle})$   
*Sine is a trigonometric function that describes the ratio of the length of the opposite side of a right triangle to the length of the hypotenuse.*
- **Measurement:** **Length** in Meter (m)  
*Length Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)  
*Speed Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Angle** in Radian (rad)  
*Angle Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Volumetric Flow Rate** in Cubic Meter per Second ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ )  
*Volumetric Flow Rate Unit Conversion* 
- **Measurement:** **Velocity Potential** in Square Meter per Second ( $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )  
*Velocity Potential Unit Conversion* 



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