

- Continue discussing the irrotational flow approximation and introduce **superposition**.
- Discuss some elementary planar irrotational flows (building block flows)
- Do some examples of superposition

### E. The Irrotational Flow Approximation (continued)

1. Introduction
2. Equations of Motion for Irrotational Flow
3. 2-D Irrotational Flow (continued)
  - a. Equations of motion

Summary, equations for 2-D, steady, incompressible, irrotational flow in the  $x$ - $y$  plane:

$$\vec{\zeta} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V} = 0 \rightarrow \vec{V} = \vec{\nabla} \phi \rightarrow \nabla^2 \phi = 0; \quad \nabla^2 \psi = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{P}{\rho} + \frac{V^2}{2} + gz = \text{constant everywhere}$$

$$\text{Cartesian: } \nabla^2 \phi = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial y^2} = 0, \quad \text{Cylindrical: } \nabla^2 \phi = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$$

$$\text{Cartesian: } u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}, \quad \text{Cylindrical planar } (r-\theta \text{ plane}): \quad u_r = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta}, \quad u_\theta = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r}$$

- b. Superposition

### c. Line vortex

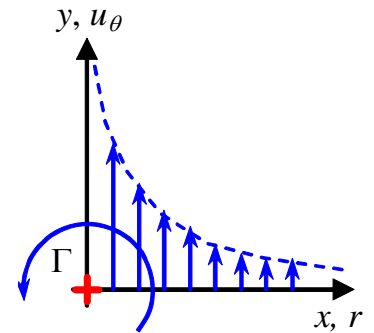
#### **Example: Line Vortex – a third building block potential flow**

**Given:** A line vortex around the origin of strength  $\Gamma$  ( $\Gamma$  is also called the **circulation**). The flow is steady and 2-D in the  $r$ - $\theta$  plane, and its velocity field is given by

$$u_r = 0 \qquad u_\theta = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r}$$

**To do:** Sketch streamlines and equipotential lines, and generate expressions for  $\psi$  and  $\phi$ .

**Solution:**



**Example: Rankine Half-Body**

**Given:** A Rankine half-body is constructed using a horizontal freestream of velocity  $V = 5.0$  m/s and line source at the origin of strength  $2.5\pi$  m<sup>2</sup>/s. The stream function is

$$\psi = Vr \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\dot{V}}{L} \theta$$

**To do:** Generate expressions for  $u_r$  and  $u_\theta$ , and calculate the distance  $a$  (the distance between the origin and the stagnation point).

**Solution:**