

II. Ideal – fluid flow

- Ideal fluids are
 - Inviscid
 - Incompressible
 - The only ones decently understood mathematically
- Governing equations

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Continuity

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \nabla p + \mathbf{f}$$

Euler

Boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

Normal to surface

Velocity of surface

Free-slip
(velocity is parallel
to surface)

Potential flow (special case)

$$\mathbf{u} = \nabla \phi \quad (u = \partial\phi/\partial x, v = \partial\phi/\partial y, w = \partial\phi/\partial z)$$

Potential flow is irrotational

Continuity equation for potential flow

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 0$$

Continuity equation (with boundary conditions)
can be solved **alone** for velocity

Then plug φ into momentum equation (Bernoulli form) to solve for pressure

4. 2D potential flows

4.1. Stream function

- 2D ideal continuity equation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

- Velocity potential φ

$$u = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}, \quad v = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}$$

- Introduce **streamfunction** ψ (counterpart of potential) so that

$$u = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}, \quad v = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}$$

Streamfunction satisfies continuity equation **by construction**

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y \partial x} = 0$$

Streamfunction exists for any ideal 2D flow

Before going further, consider vorticity in 2D flow

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \nabla \times \mathbf{u} = \det \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ u & v & w \end{bmatrix}$$

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Vorticity in 2D flow

$$\boldsymbol{\omega} = \mathbf{k} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = \mathbf{k} \omega$$

For 2D,
effectively
a scalar

Now consider an irrotational 2D flow

$$\omega = \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0$$

Express velocity in terms of streamfunction

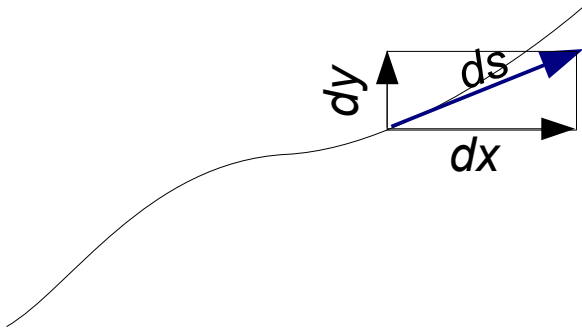
$$\omega = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(-\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \right) = 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \psi = 0$$

Properties of streamfunction

- Streamlines are lines of $\psi = \text{const}$
- Difference in the value of ψ between two streamlines equals the volume of fluid flowing between them
- Streamlines $\psi = \text{const}$ and potential lines $\phi = \text{const}$ are orthogonal at every point in the flow

Why $\psi = \text{const}$ is a streamline



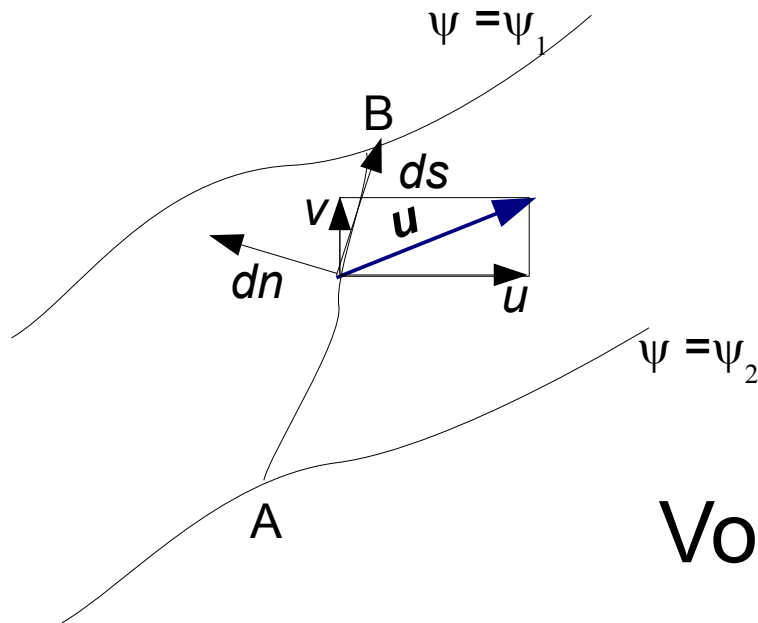
$$d\psi = \frac{d\psi}{ds} ds = \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} \right) ds = -v dx + u dy$$

$$d\psi = 0 \text{ means } v dx = u dy;$$

$$\frac{dy}{v} = \frac{dx}{u}$$

Streamline
equation!

Flow rate between two streamlines



Direction along AB :
 $ds = (dx, dy)$

Direction normal to AB :
 $dn = (dy, -dx)$

Volume flow rate

$$Q = \int_A^B \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{n} ds = \int_A^B \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{n} = \int_A^B u dy - \int_A^B v dx$$

$$Q = \int_A^B d\psi = \psi_1 - \psi_2$$

Orthogonality between streamlines and potential lines

Along a streamline $d\psi = -v dx + u dy = 0$

Along an isopotential line ($\varphi = \text{const}$)...

$$d\varphi = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} dy = u dx + v dy = 0$$

Normal to streamline: $(-v, u)$

Normal to isopotential line: (u, v)

They are orthogonal: $(-v, u) \cdot (u, v) \equiv 0$

4.2. Complex potential and velocity

- Complex variable $z = x+iy$
- Function of a complex variable

$$F(z) = \varphi(x,y) + i \psi(x,y)$$

- Cauchy-Riemann condition for function of a complex variable to be holomorphic*

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}; \quad \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x};$$

Holomorphic function – complex-valued function of a complex variable which is differentiable in a neighborhood of every point within its domain

Complex potential constructed from velocity potential and streamfunction

$$F(z) = \varphi(x,y) + i \psi(x,y)$$

Cauchy-Riemann condition satisfied by construction

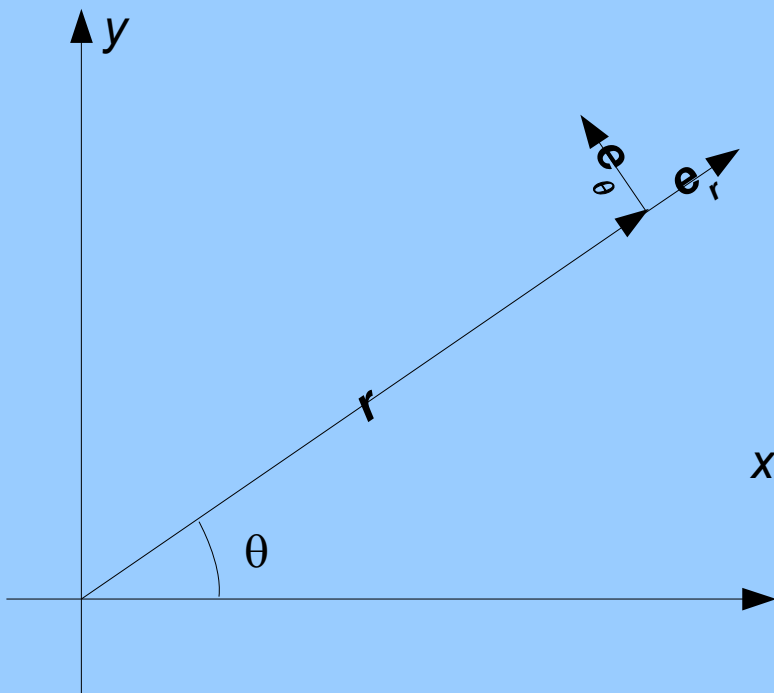
Advantages of using complex potential

- If φ and ψ are the real and imaginary parts of any holomorphic function, $\nabla^2 \varphi = 0$ and $\nabla^2 \psi = 0$ automatically
- Complex velocity $w = dF/dz = u - iv$ – directly related to flow velocity

Magnitude of complex velocity

$$w^*w = (u + iv)(u - iv) = u^2 + v^2 = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = \nabla\phi \cdot \nabla\phi$$

Polar coordinates in complex plane



$$x + iy = r (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) = r e^{i\theta}$$

$$u = u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \sin \theta$$

$$v = u_r \sin \theta + u_\theta \cos \theta$$

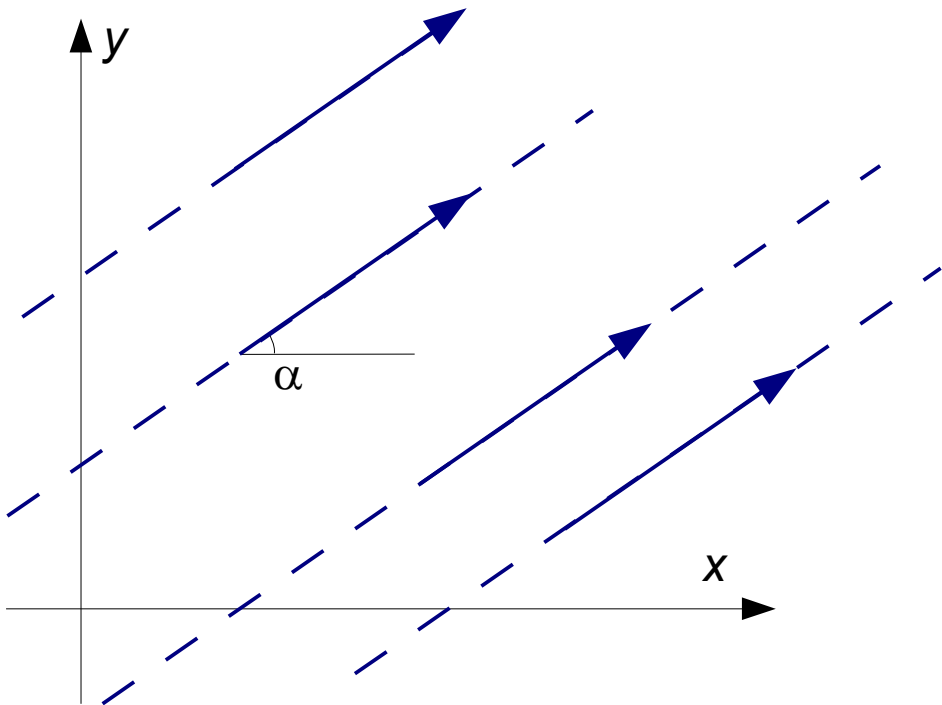
$$w = (u_r - i u_\theta) e^{-i\theta}$$

4.3. Uniform flow

$$F(z) = C e^{-i\alpha} z$$

$$w(z) = \frac{dF}{dz} = C e^{-i\alpha} = C \cos \alpha - i C \sin \alpha$$

$$u = C \cos \alpha, \quad v = C \sin \alpha$$



4.4. Source, sink, and vortex

$$F(z) = C \log z = C \log(r e^{i\theta}) = C(\log r + i\theta)$$

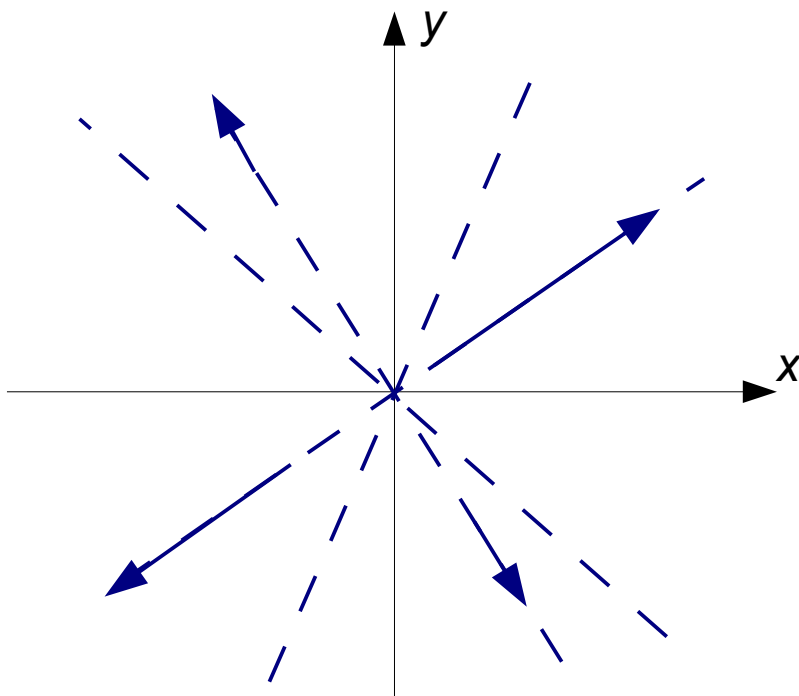
First, let C be real and positive

$$\varphi = C \log r, \quad \psi = C\theta$$

$$w(z) = \frac{dF}{dz} = \frac{C}{z} = \frac{C}{r} e^{-i\theta}$$

$$u_r = \frac{C}{r}, \quad u_\theta = 0$$

Source at $z = 0$



Source strength (discharge rate)

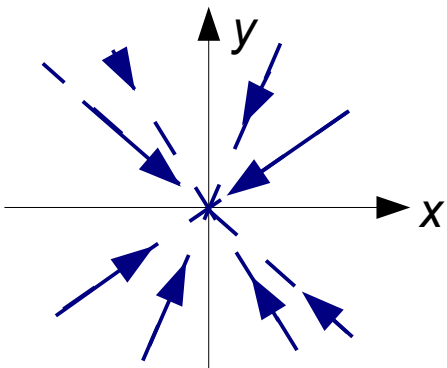
$$m = \int_0^{2\pi} u_r r d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} C d\theta = 2\pi C$$

Complex potential of a source of strength m at $z = z_0$

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log(z - z_0)$$

Complex potential of a sink of strength m at $z = z_0$

$$F(z) = -\frac{m}{2\pi} \log(z - z_0)$$



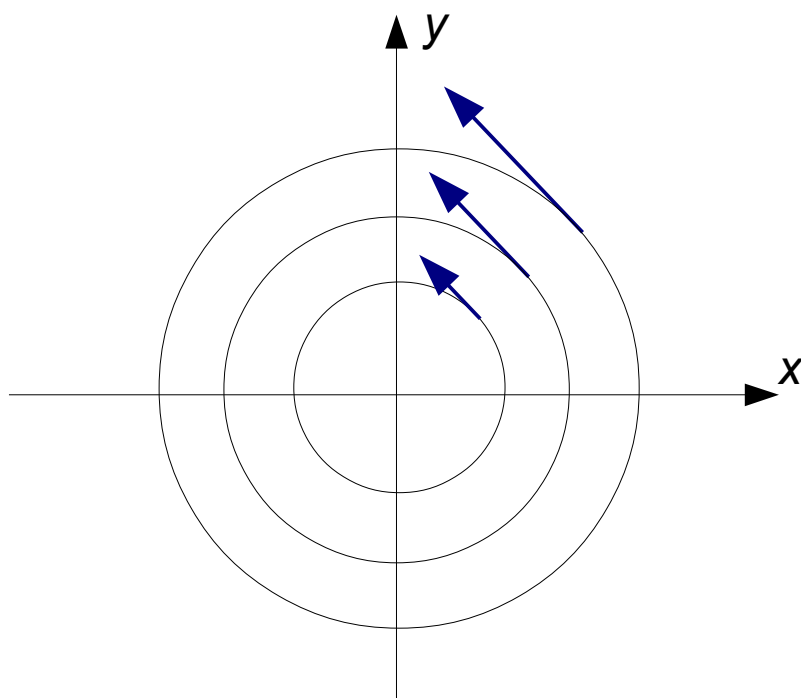
Now consider a purely imaginary constant in the logarithmic potential:

$$F(z) = -iC \log z = -iC \log(re^{i\theta}) = -iC \log r + C\theta$$

$$\varphi = C\theta, \quad \psi = -C \log r$$

$$w(z) = \frac{dF}{dz} = -i \frac{C}{z} = -i \frac{C}{r} e^{-i\theta}$$

$$u_r = 0, \quad u_\theta = \frac{C}{r}$$



Point vortex

Vortex strength (circulation)

$$\Gamma = \oint_L \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \int_0^{2\pi} u_\theta r d\theta = 2\pi C$$

Complex potential of a vortex with circulation Γ at $z = z_0$

$$F(z) = -i \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi} \log(z - z_0)$$

Note 1. $z = z_0$ is a **singularity** ($u_\theta \rightarrow \infty$)

Note 2. This flow field is called a **free vortex**:

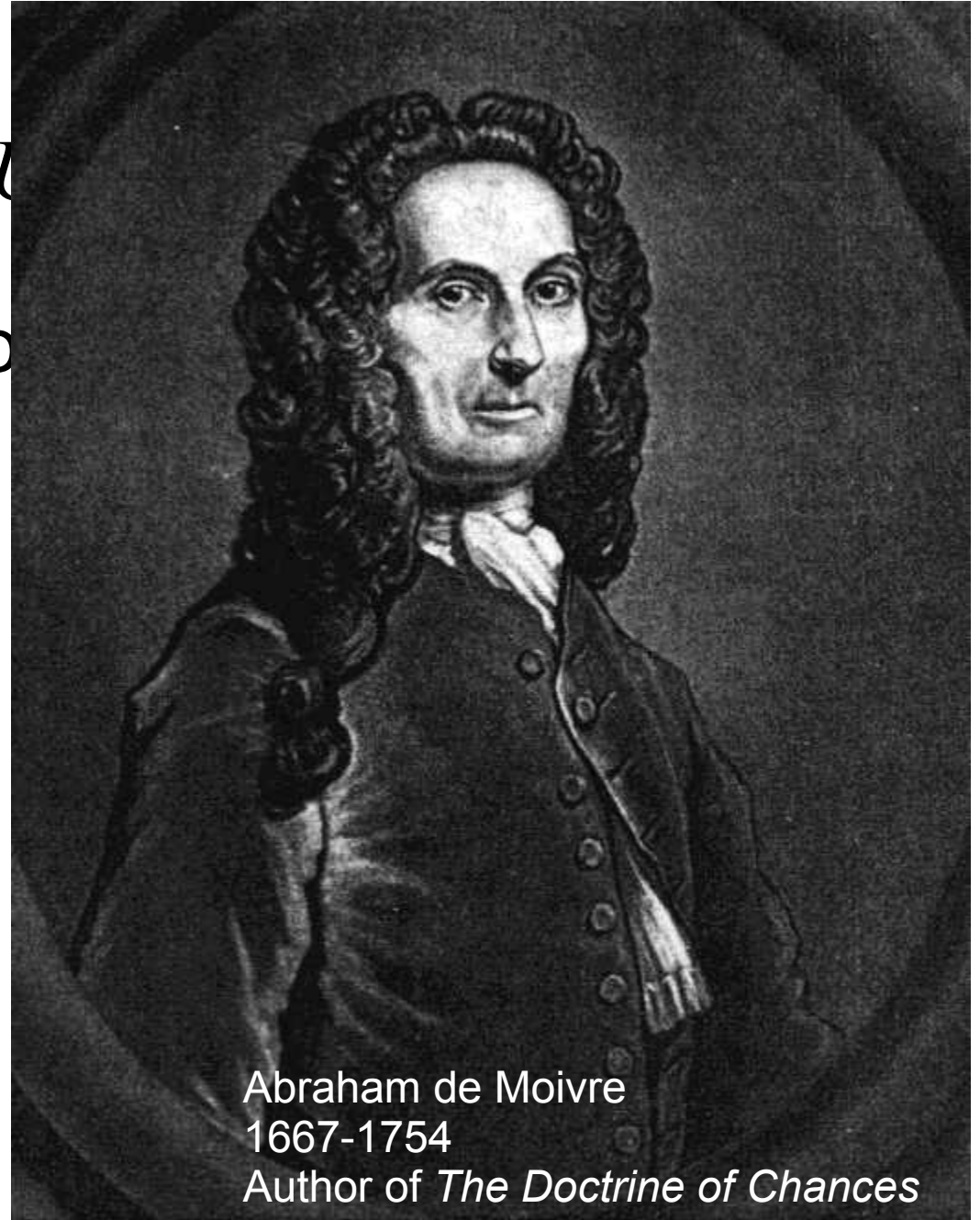
$$\Gamma_{L'} = \oint_{L'} \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{l} \equiv 0$$

L' ← Any contour not including z_0

4.5. Flow in a sector

$$F(z) = u$$

Abraham de Moivre's fo



Abraham de Moivre

1667-1754

Author of *The Doctrine of Chances*

4.5. Flow in a sector

$$F(z) = U z^n, \quad n \geq 1$$

Abraham de Moivre's formula

$$e^{in\theta} = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos(n\theta) + i \sin(n\theta)$$

Use polar coordinates

$$z = r e^{i\theta}$$

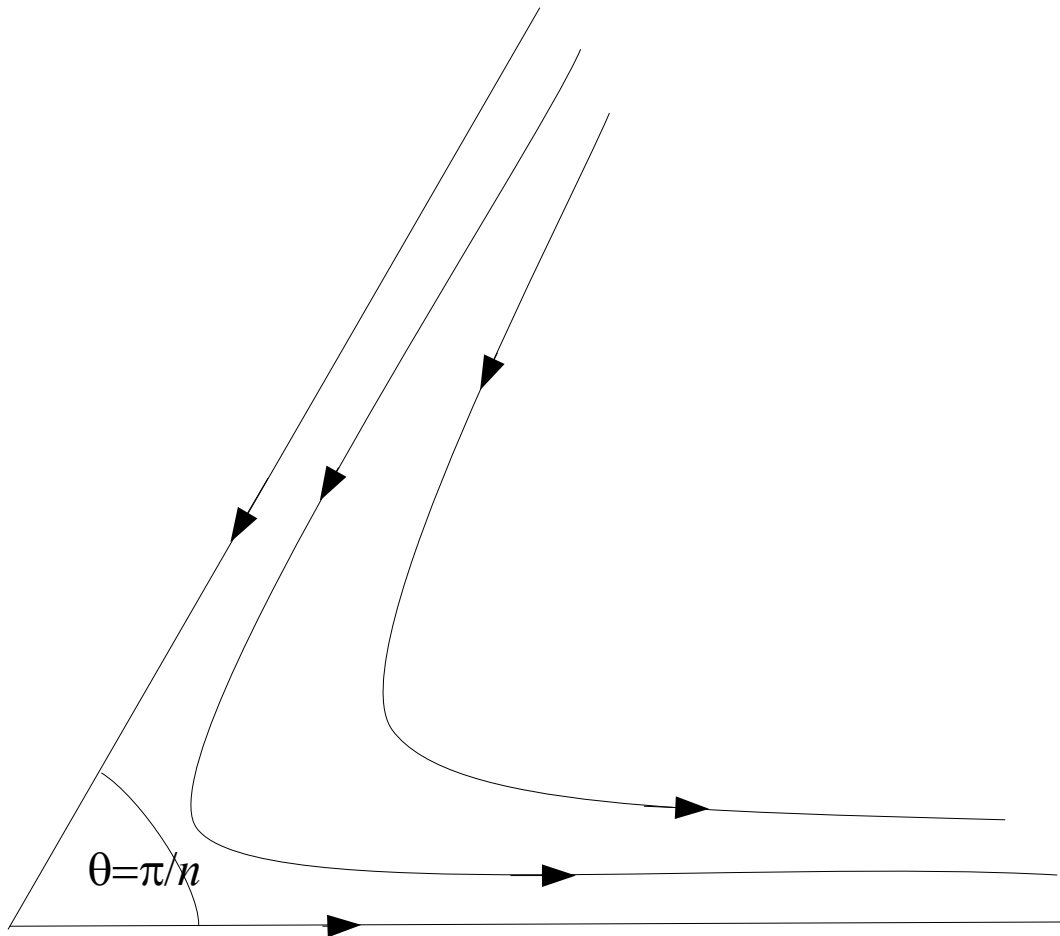
$$F(z) = U r^n \cos(n\theta) + i U r^n \sin(n\theta)$$

Potential and stream function

$$\varphi = U r^n \cos(n\theta), \quad \psi = U r^n \sin(n\theta)$$

Complex velocity

$$\begin{aligned} w(z) &= nUz^{n-1} = nU r^{n-1} e^{i(n-1)\theta} = \\ &= \left(nU r^{n-1} \cos n\theta + i nU r^{n-1} \sin n\theta \right) e^{-i\theta} \end{aligned}$$



Velocity components

$$u_r = nU r^{n-1} \cos n\theta$$

$$u_\theta = -nU r^{n-1} \sin n\theta$$

$n = 1$: uniform flow

$n = 2$: flow in a
right-angle corner

$n = 3$: shown

4.6. Flow around a sharp edge

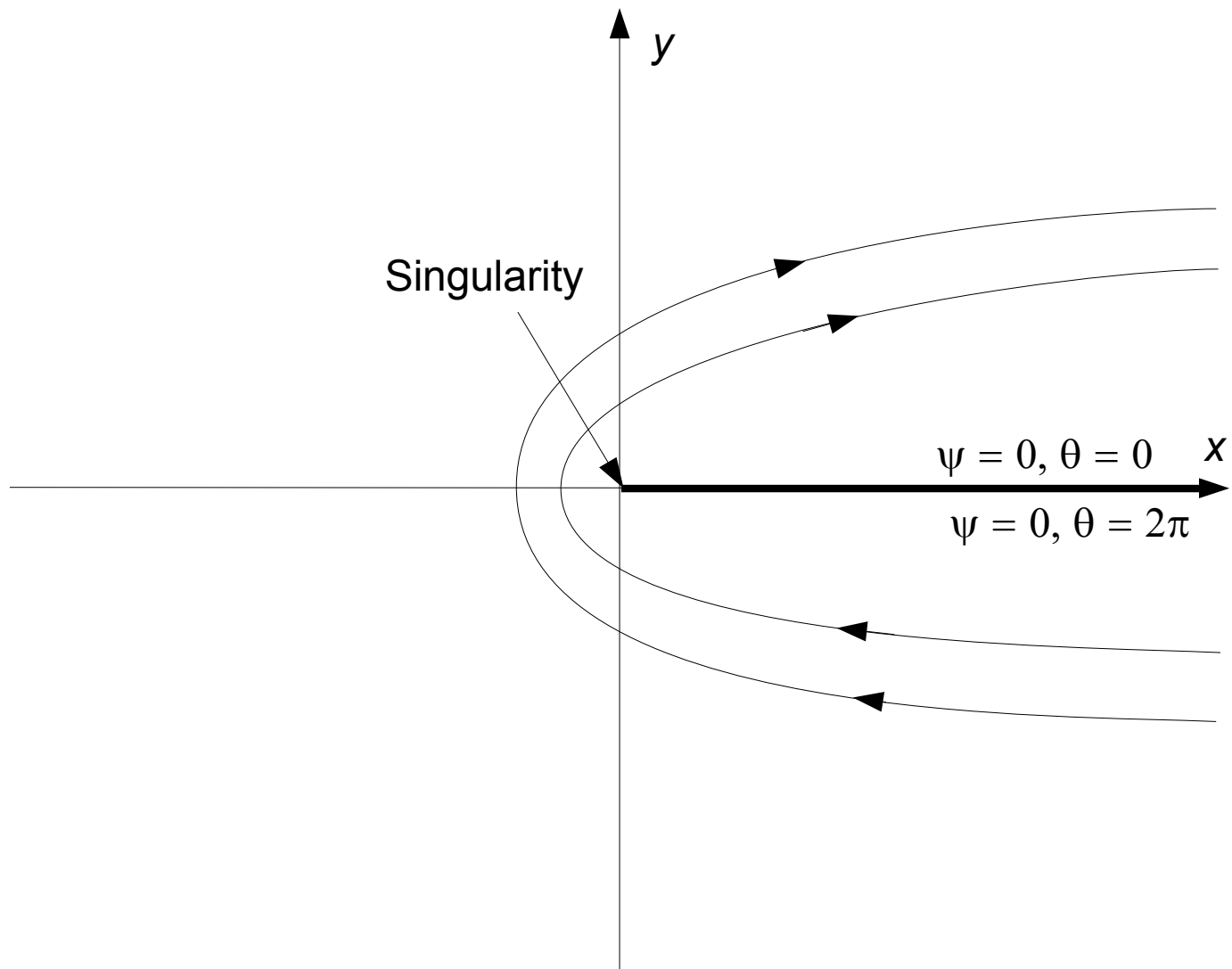
$$F(z) = C z^{1/2} = C r^{1/2} e^{i\theta/2}$$

Potential and streamfunction

$$\varphi = C r^{1/2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad \psi = C r^{1/2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

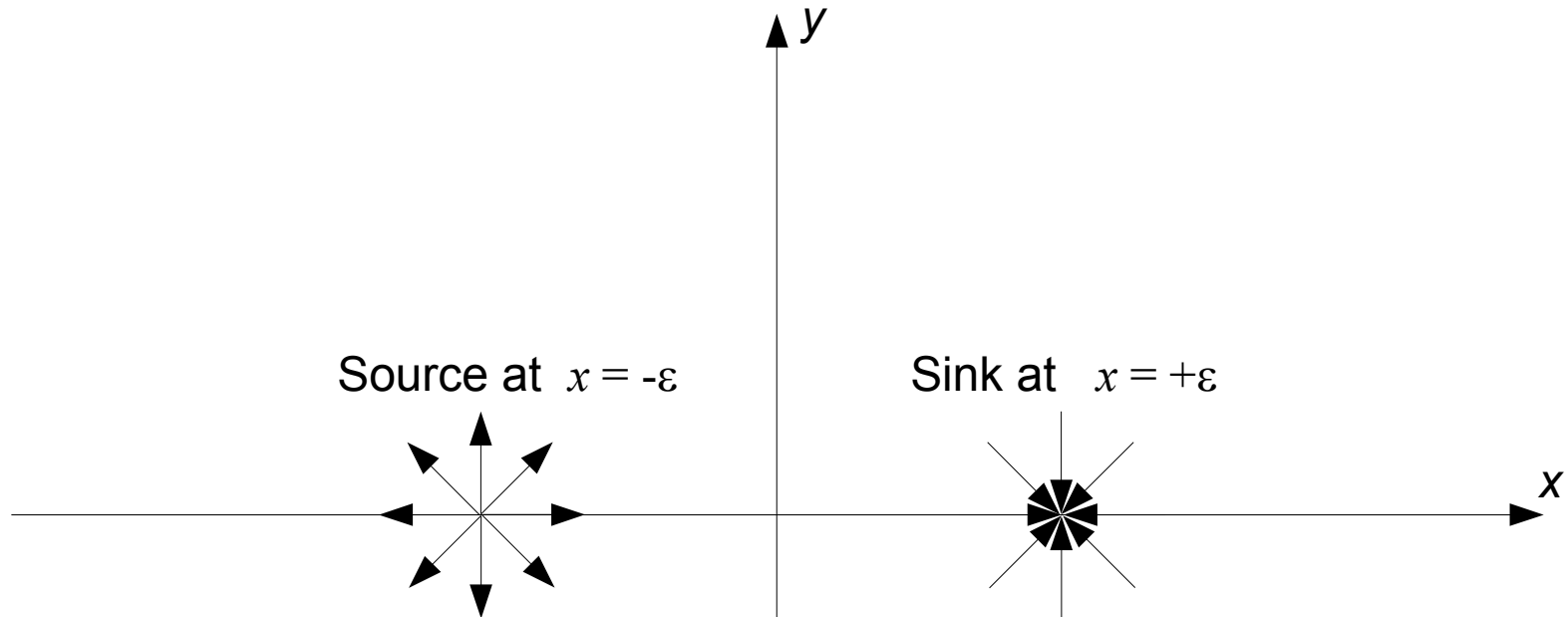
Complex velocity

$$\begin{aligned} w(z) &= \frac{dF}{dz} = \frac{1}{2} C z^{-1/2} = \frac{C}{2 r^{1/2}} e^{-i\theta/2} = \\ &= \frac{C}{2 r^{1/2}} e^{-i\theta} e^{i\theta/2} = \frac{C}{2 r^{1/2}} \left(\cos \frac{\theta}{2} + i \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \right) e^{-i\theta} \\ u_r &= \frac{C}{2 r^{1/2}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad u_\theta = -\frac{C}{2 r^{1/2}} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} \end{aligned}$$



$$u_r = \frac{C}{2r^{1/2}} \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \quad u_\theta = -\frac{C}{2r^{1/2}} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}$$

4.7. Doublet



Now let $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

Complex potential of source and sink

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log(z + \varepsilon) - \frac{m}{2\pi} \log(z - \varepsilon)$$

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log \frac{z + \varepsilon}{z - \varepsilon} = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log \frac{1 + \varepsilon/z}{1 - \varepsilon/z}$$

For small ε/z , expand denominator into series:

$$(1 - \varepsilon/z)^{-1} = 1 + \varepsilon/z + \dots$$

Plug that into $F(z)$

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log \left((1 + \varepsilon/z) (1 + \varepsilon/z + \dots) \right)$$

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log \left(1 + 2 \frac{\varepsilon}{z} + \dots \right)$$

Use series expansion for logarithm near 1

$$F(z) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \log\left(1 + 2\frac{\varepsilon}{z} + \dots\right) = \frac{m}{2\pi} \left(2\frac{\varepsilon}{z} + \dots\right)$$

If we take the limit of this as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, the result will be trivial: $F(z) = 0$

For a non-trivial result, let $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} m\varepsilon = \pi\mu$

Then

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} F(z) = \frac{\mu}{z} = \frac{\mu}{x+iy} = \mu \frac{x-iy}{(x+iy)(x-iy)} = \mu \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\varphi = \mu \frac{x}{x^2+y^2}, \quad \psi = -\mu \frac{y}{x^2+y^2}$$

Consider a streamline $\psi = \text{const}$

$$\psi = -\mu \frac{y}{x^2 + y^2}$$

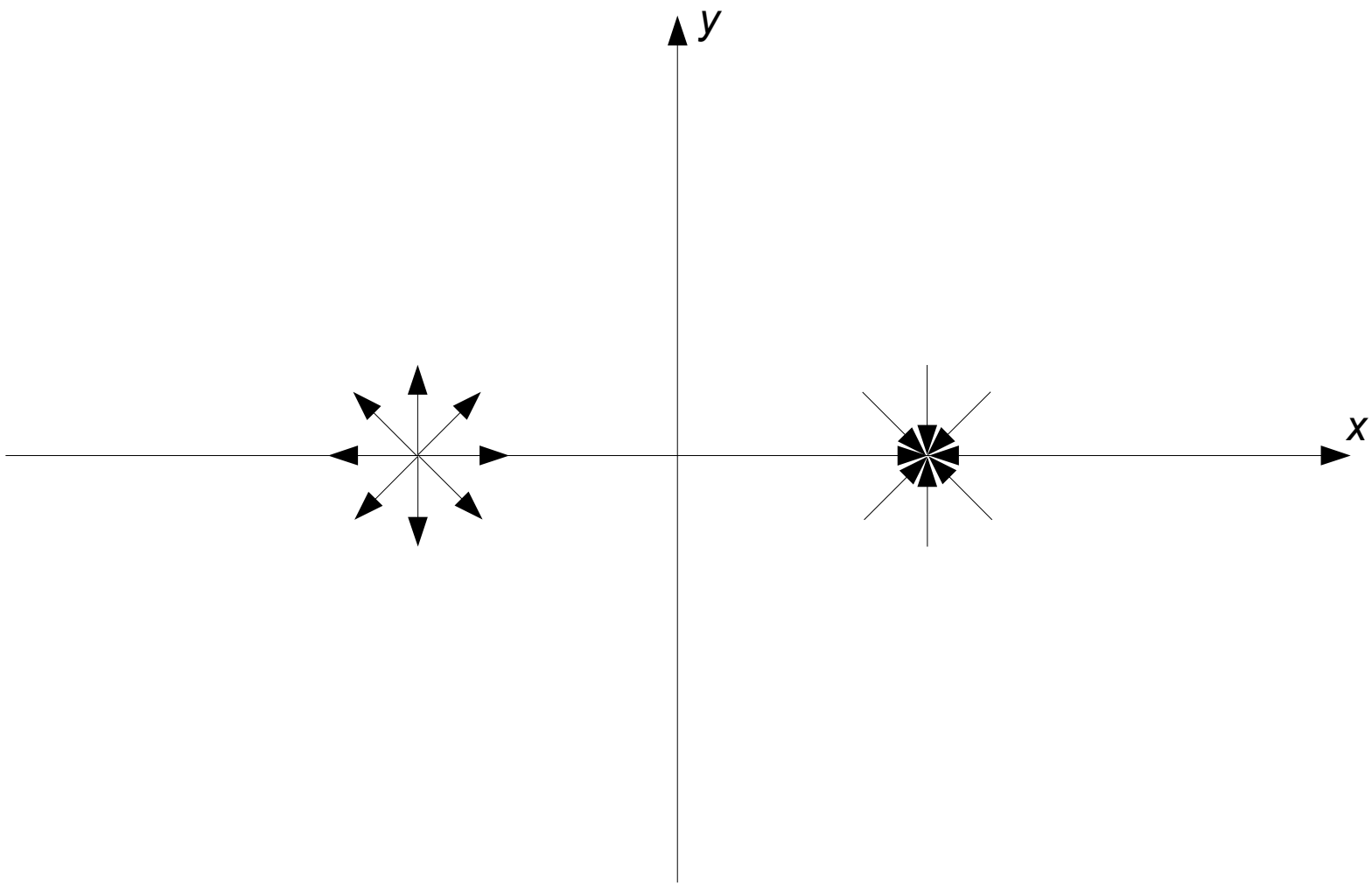
$$\psi(x^2 + y^2) = -\mu y$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + \frac{\mu}{\psi} y = 0$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + \frac{\mu}{\psi} y + \left(\frac{\mu}{2\psi}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\mu}{2\psi}\right)^2$$

$$x^2 + \left(y + \frac{\mu}{2\psi}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\mu}{2\psi}\right)^2$$

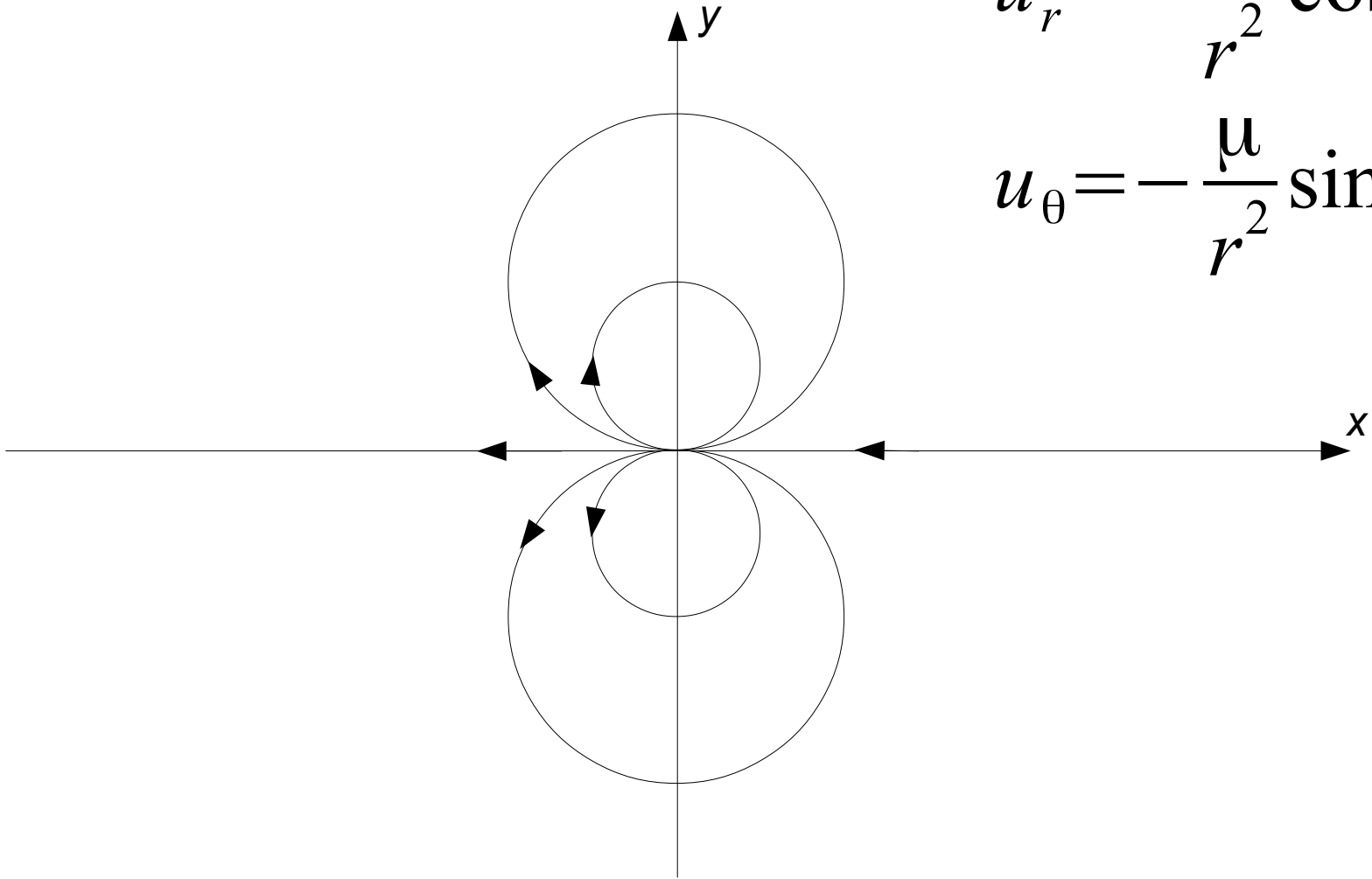
Circle of radius $\mu/(2\psi)$ and center at $x = 0, y = -\mu/(2\psi)$



$$w(z) = -\frac{\mu}{z^2} = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} e^{-2i\theta} = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} e^{-i\theta} (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)$$

$$u_r = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} \cos \theta$$

$$u_\theta = -\frac{\mu}{r^2} \sin \theta$$



Doublet of strength μ at $z = z_0$

$$F(z) = \frac{\mu}{z - z_0}$$

4.8. Circular cylinder flow

Let uniform flow go past a doublet

$$F(z) = Uz + \frac{\mu}{z}$$

Potential and stream function

$$F(z) = Ure^{i\theta} + \frac{\mu}{re^{i\theta}} = \underbrace{\left(Ur + \frac{\mu}{r} \right)}_{\text{Potential}} \cos \theta + i \underbrace{\left(Ur - \frac{\mu}{r} \right)}_{\text{Stream function}} \sin \theta$$

Consider streamline $\psi = 0$

$Ur = \mu/r$ means that this streamline is a circle of radius $a = (\mu/U)^{1/2}$

Can rewrite complex potential as

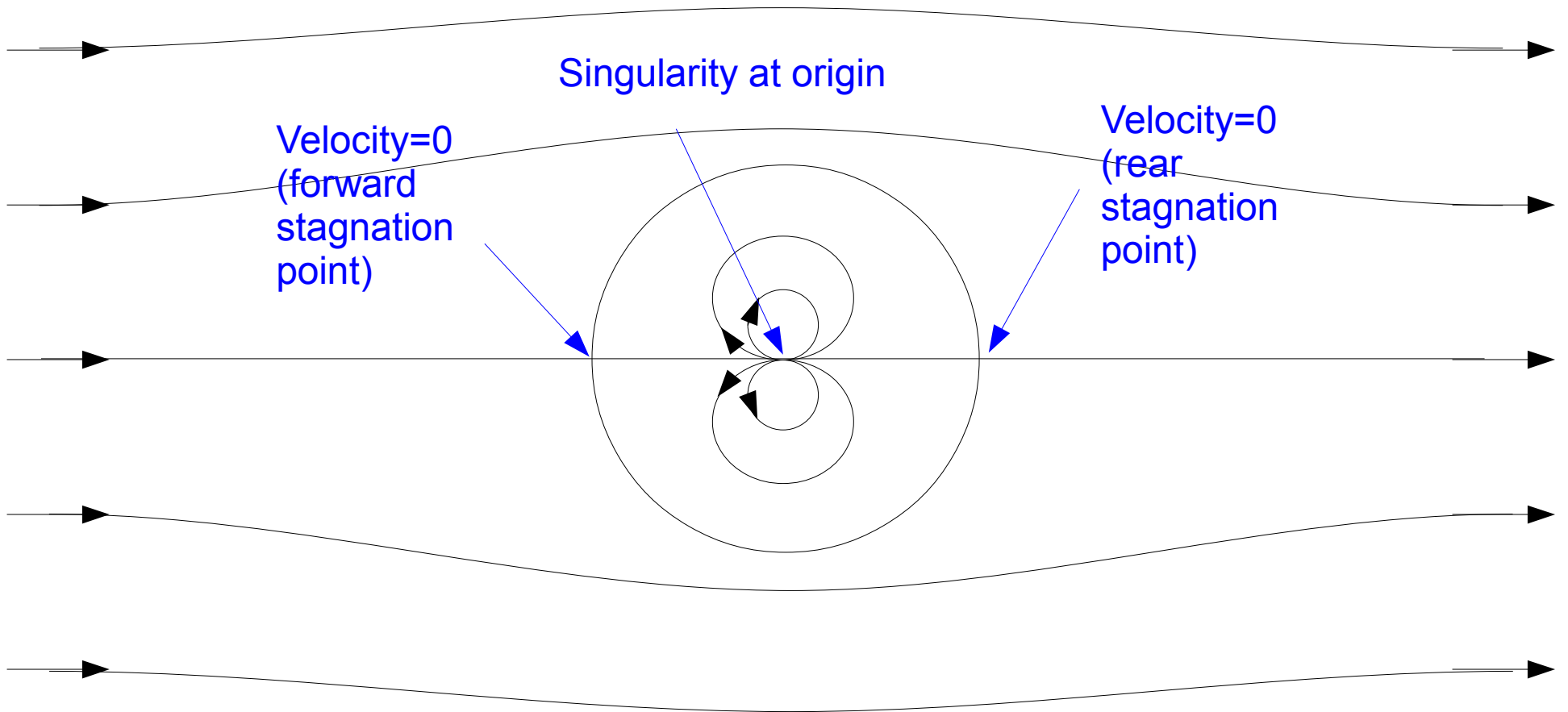
$$F(z) = U \left(z + \frac{a^2}{z} \right)$$

$$z \rightarrow \infty, \quad F(z) \rightarrow U z$$

Uniform flow dominates the far field

$$z \rightarrow 0, \quad F(z) \rightarrow U \frac{a^2}{z}$$

Doublet dominates the flow near the origin



Flow symmetry: $F(-z) = -F(z)$

4.9. Cylinder with circulation

Take cylinder flow, add rotation around the origin

$$F(z) = U \left(z + \frac{a^2}{z} \right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \log z + C$$

Constant to
keep $\psi = 0$ at $r = a$

Vortex at origin

Pretty easy to find C , tuck it into the logarithm

$$F(z) = U \left(z + \frac{a^2}{z} \right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \log \frac{z}{a}$$

Complex velocity

$$w = \frac{dF}{dz} = U \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{z^2} \right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{z}$$

$$w = U\left(1 - \frac{a^2}{z^2}\right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{z} = U\left(1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2} e^{-2i\theta}\right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{r} e^{-i\theta}$$

$$w = \left[U\left(e^{i\theta} - \frac{a^2}{r^2} e^{-i\theta}\right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \frac{1}{r} \right] e^{-i\theta}$$

$$w = \left[U\left(1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right) \cos \theta + i \left(U\left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right) \sin \theta + \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r} \right) \right] e^{-i\theta}$$

Remember that $w = (u_r - iu_\theta)e^{-i\theta}$

$$u_r = U\left(1 - \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right) \cos \theta, \quad u_\theta = -U\left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r^2}\right) \sin \theta - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r}$$

On the surface ($r = a$),

$$u_r = 0, \quad u_\theta = -2U \sin \theta - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi a}$$

Boundary!

Find stagnation points (velocity = 0, $r = a$)

$$\sin \theta_s = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi U a}$$

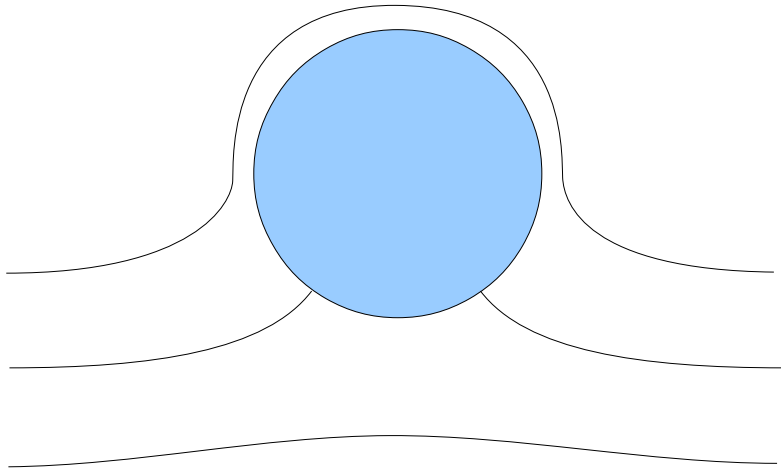
Possibilities:

2 stagnation points on the cylinder

1 stagnation point on the cylinder

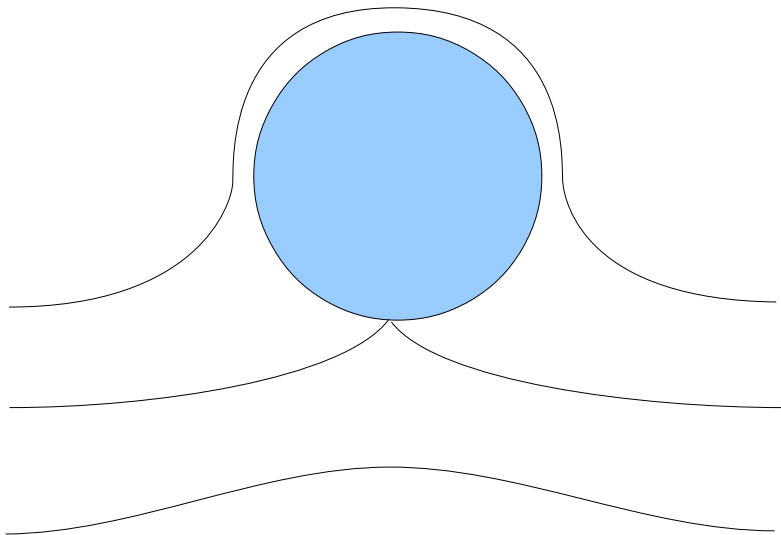
0 stagnation points on the cylinder (but maybe somewhere else in the flow?)

Two stagnation points



$$0 < \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi Ua} < 1$$

One stagnation point



$$\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi Ua} = 1$$

No stagnation points on the cylinder

$$\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi Ua} > 1$$

Look for stagnation point (r_s, θ_s) elsewhere (for $r_s > a$)

$$u_r = U \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{r_s^2} \right) \cos \theta_s = 0,$$

Cannot be 0

Must be 0!

$$u_\theta = -U \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r_s^2} \right) \sin \theta_s - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r_s} = 0$$

$\cos \theta_s = 0$ means $\theta_s = \pi/2$ or $\theta_s = 3\pi/2$

$$U \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r_s^2} \right) \sin \theta_s = - \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r_s}$$

positive negative

Must be

-1, so $\theta_s = 3\pi/2$

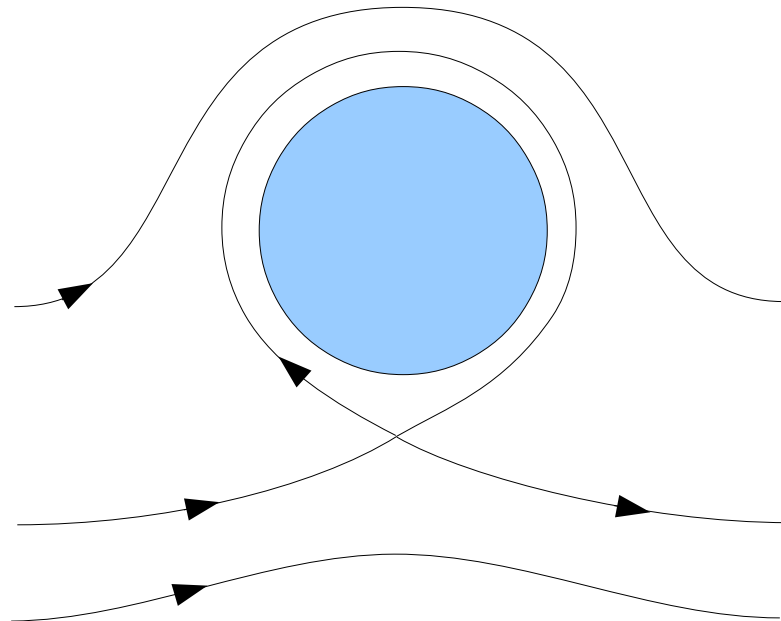
$$U \left(1 + \frac{a^2}{r_s^2} \right) = \frac{\Gamma}{2\pi r_s}$$

Solve this for r_s

$$r_s = \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi U} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi U}\right)^2 - a^2}$$

Two stagnation points

- inside the cylinder (so who cares?)
- + outside the cylinder (good stuff)

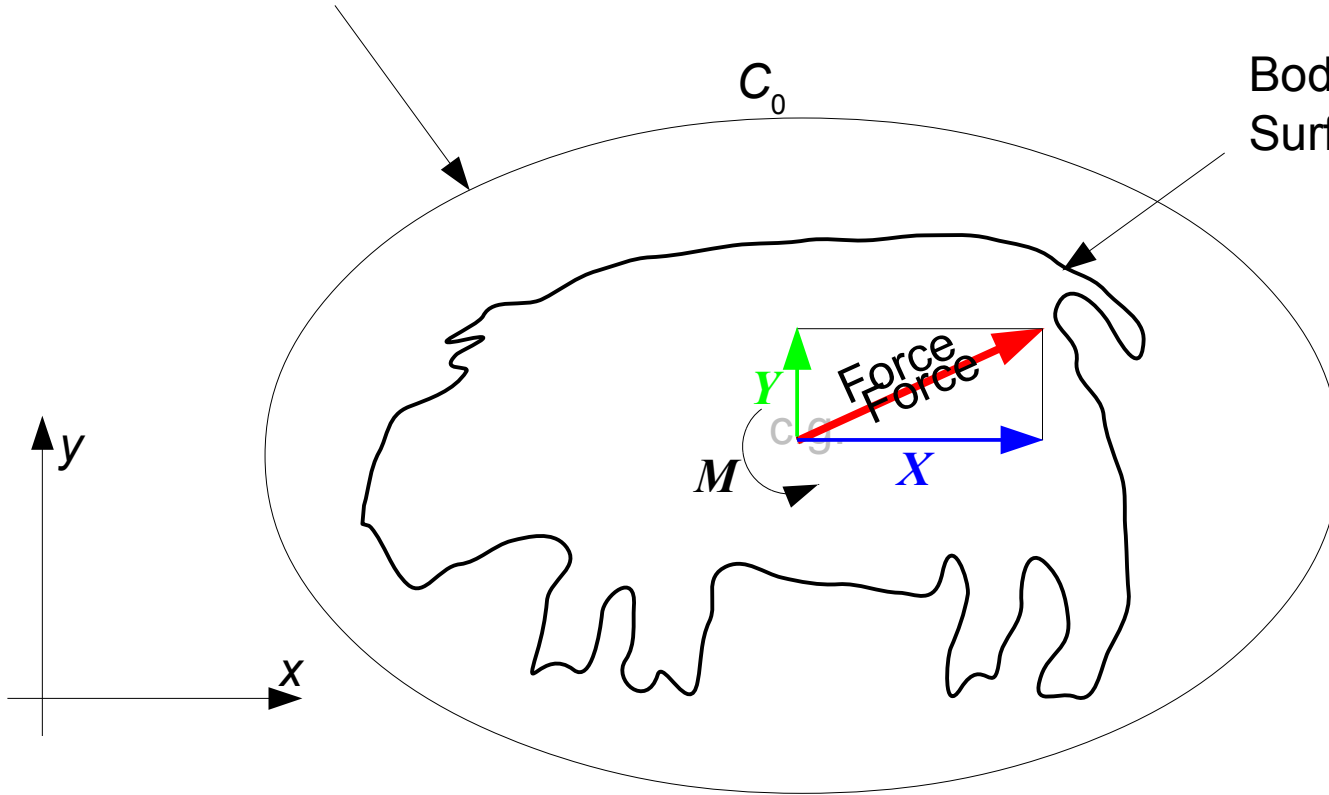


4.10. Blasius integral laws

- Find potential
- Find velocity components
- Plug velocity into Bernoulli equation to find pressure on body surface
- Integrate to find
 - Hydrodynamic force on the body
 - Hydrodynamic moment on the body
- **MUCH simpler with complex potential!**

Any contour fully enclosing the body

Body of an arbitrary shape
Surface: streamline $\psi = 0$



Complex force:
 $X - iY$

Blasius first law

Blasius second law

$$X - iY = i \frac{\rho}{2} \oint_{C_0} w^2 dz$$

$$M = \frac{\rho}{2} \Re \left(\oint_{C_0} z w^2 dz \right)$$

Evaluating complex integrals

Taylor series (real variable)

$$f(x - x_0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x - x_0)^n, \quad a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}$$

This expansion is valid in an interval $|x - x_0| < \delta x$

Evaluating complex integrals

Laurent series (complex variable)

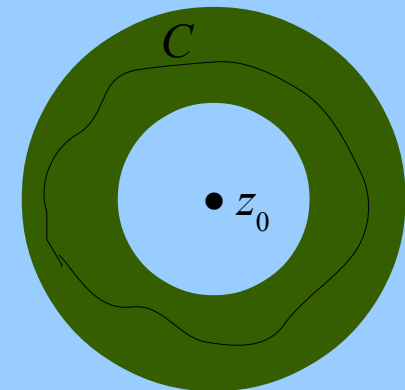
$$f(z - z_0) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n,$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^{-n-1} d\zeta$$

This expansion is valid in an annulus where f is holomorphic: $R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2$

If $R_1 = 0$, z_0 – isolated singularity

Coefficient a_{-1} of Laurent series:
residue of f at z_0



Cauchy theorem

If complex function $f(z)$ is holomorphic everywhere inside contour C ,

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 0$$

Cauchy residue theorem

If complex function $f(z)$ is holomorphic everywhere inside contour C , except isolated singularities,

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2i\pi \sum_k a_{-1,k}$$

Example

e^z – holomorphic everywhere in a disk of radius r with center at $z = 0$

$$e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{6} + \dots$$

e^z/z – holomorphic everywhere in a disk of radius r with center at $z = 0$, except at its center

$$\frac{e^z}{z} = \frac{1}{z} + 1 + \frac{z}{2} + \frac{z^2}{6} + \dots$$

$a_{-1}=1$

Note. $a_{-m} \neq 0$, $a_{-m-k} \equiv 0$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$ at $z = z_0$ –
 z_0 is a **pole** of order m

4.11. Force and moment on a circular cylinder

Complex potential

$$F(z) = U \left(z + \frac{a^2}{z} \right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi} \log \frac{z}{a}$$

Complex velocity

$$w = \frac{dF}{dz} = U \left(1 - \frac{a^2}{z^2} \right) + \frac{i\Gamma}{2\pi z}$$

Blasius first law

$$X - iY = i \frac{\rho}{2} \oint_{C_0} w^2 dz$$

$$w^2 = U^2 - \frac{2U^2 a^2}{z^2} + \frac{U^2 a^4}{z^4} + \frac{iU\Gamma}{\pi z} - \frac{iU\Gamma a^2}{\pi z^3} - \frac{\Gamma^2}{4\pi^2 z^2}$$

0	-2	-4	-1	-3	-2
Term order in z			$a_{-1} = \frac{iU\Gamma}{\pi}$		

$z = 0$ – sole isolated singularity of w^2 , thus

$$X - iY = 2i\pi \sum_k a_{-1,k} = 2i\pi \frac{iU\Gamma}{\pi} = -i\rho U\Gamma$$

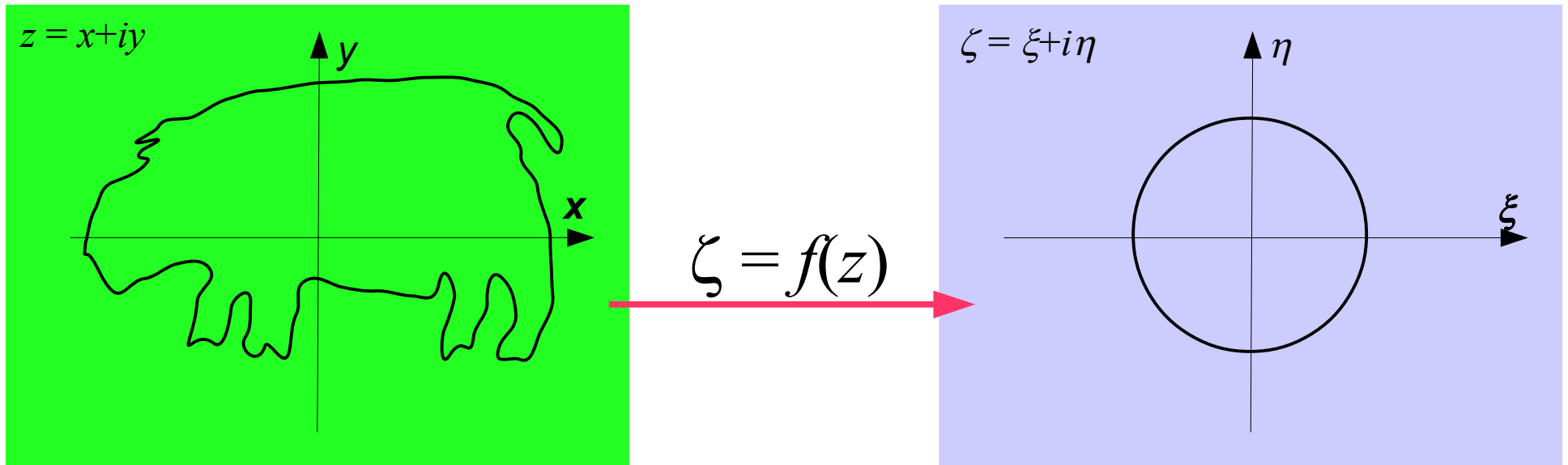
$$X = 0 \text{ (D'Alembert's paradox)}$$

$$Y = \rho U\Gamma \text{ (Zhukovsky-Kutta law)}$$

Similar analysis for zw^2 produces $M = 0$

4.12. Conformal transformations

Helps deal with boundaries



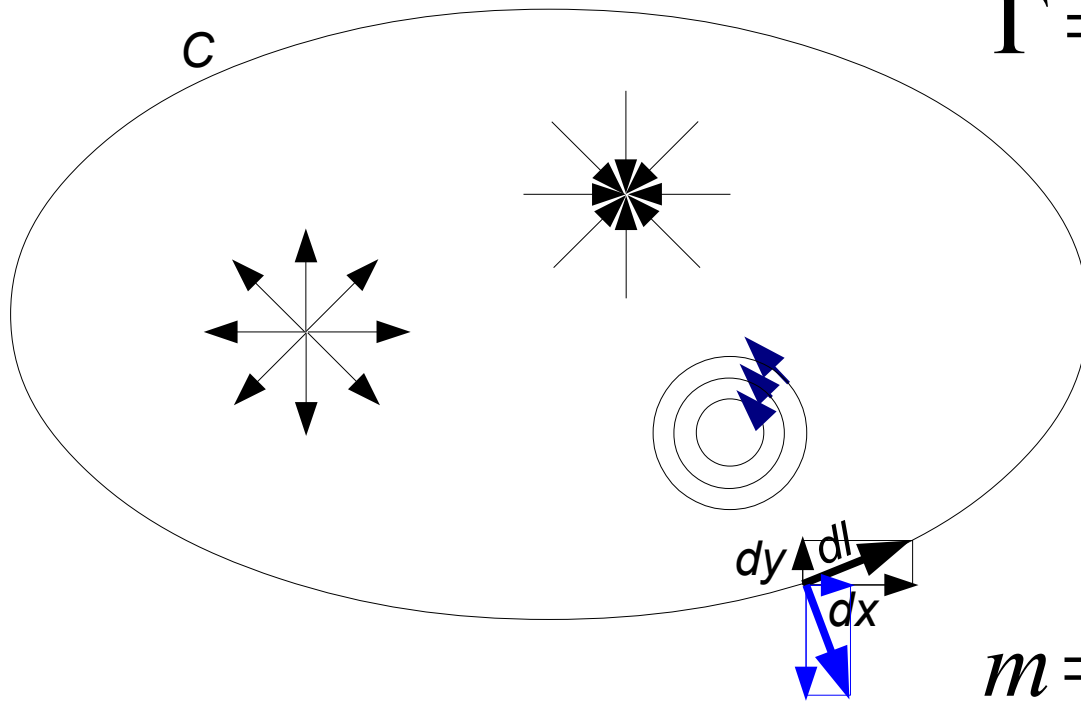
It's only good if the Laplace equation is also transformed into something nice...

- Consider f – holomorphic function mapping (x,y) into (ξ,η)
- In (x,y) plane, let $\nabla^2\varphi(x,y) = 0$
- Then in (ξ,η) plane, $\nabla^2\varphi(\xi,\eta) = 0$
(proof: p. 93)
- Laplace equation is preserved by **conformal mapping**
- What happens with complex velocity?

$$w(z) = \frac{dF}{dz} = \frac{dF(\zeta)}{d\zeta} \frac{d\zeta}{dz} = \frac{d\zeta}{dz} w(\zeta)$$

Velocity scales during conformal mapping

Let's prove that conformal mapping preserves sources, sinks, etc.



$$\Gamma = \oint_C \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = \oint_C (u dx + v dy)$$

Circulation of all
point vortices inside
 C

$$m = \oint_C \mathbf{u} \cdot d\mathbf{n} = \oint_C (u dy - v dx)$$

Strength of all
sources/sinks inside
 C

$$\begin{aligned}
& \oint_C w(z) dz = \\
& = \oint_C (u - iv)(dx + idy) = \oint_C (u dx + v dy) + i \oint_C (u dy - v dx) = \\
& \hspace{20em} = \Gamma + im
\end{aligned}$$

Could have proven the same with residue theorem...

Now consider a conformal mapping $(x, y) \rightarrow (\xi, \eta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\Gamma + im)|_z &= \oint_{C|_z} w(z) dz = \\
&= \oint_{C|_\xi} w(\zeta) \frac{d\zeta}{dz} dz = \\
&= \oint_{C|_\xi} w(\zeta) d\zeta = (\Gamma + im)|_\xi
\end{aligned}$$

Conformal mapping preserves strength of sources, sinks, and vortices

4.13. Zhukovsky transformation

$$z = \zeta + \frac{c^2}{\zeta}$$

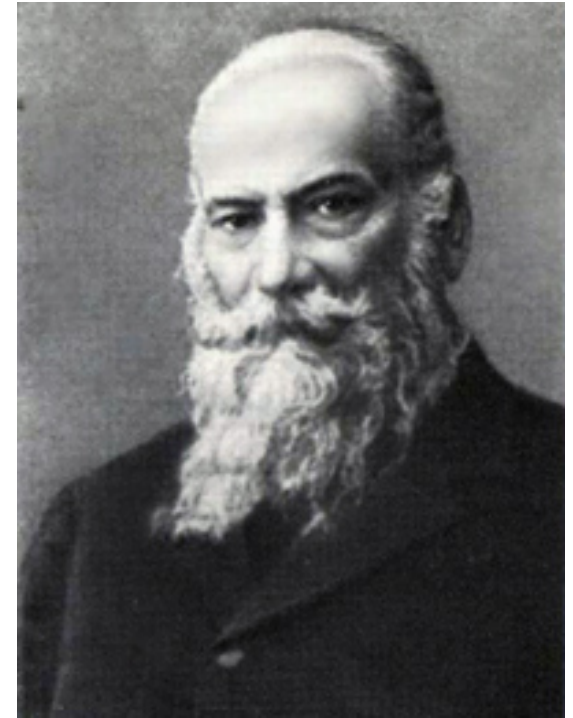
$$|\zeta| \rightarrow \infty, \quad z \rightarrow \zeta$$

$$\frac{dz}{d\zeta} = 1 - \frac{c^2}{\zeta^2}$$

$\zeta = 0$: singularity (let's contain it inside the body)

$$\zeta = \pm c, \quad \frac{dz}{d\zeta} = 0$$

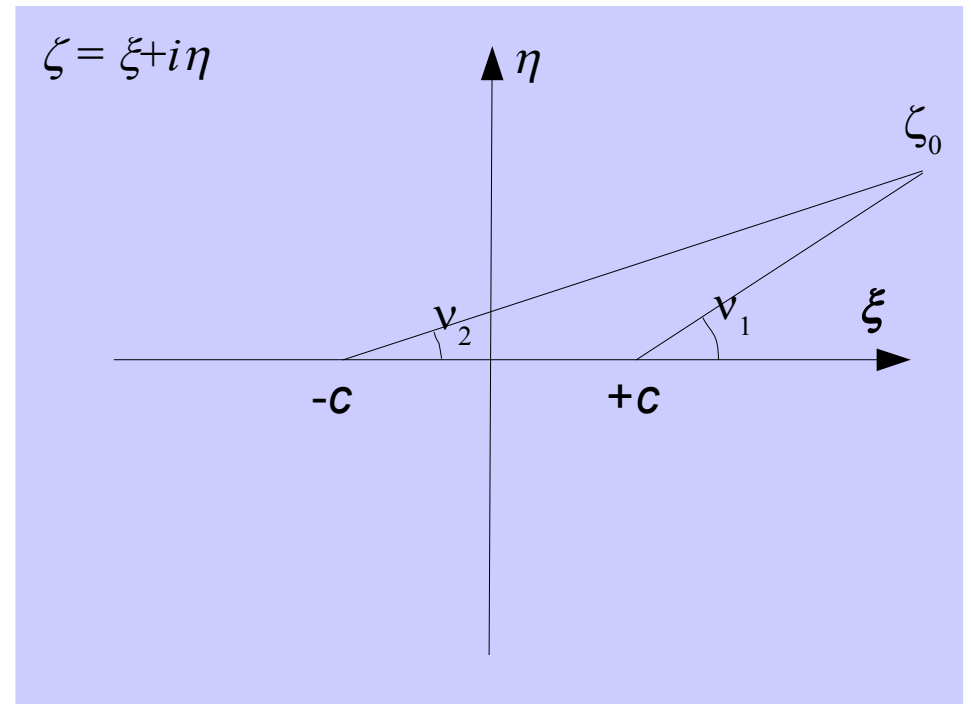
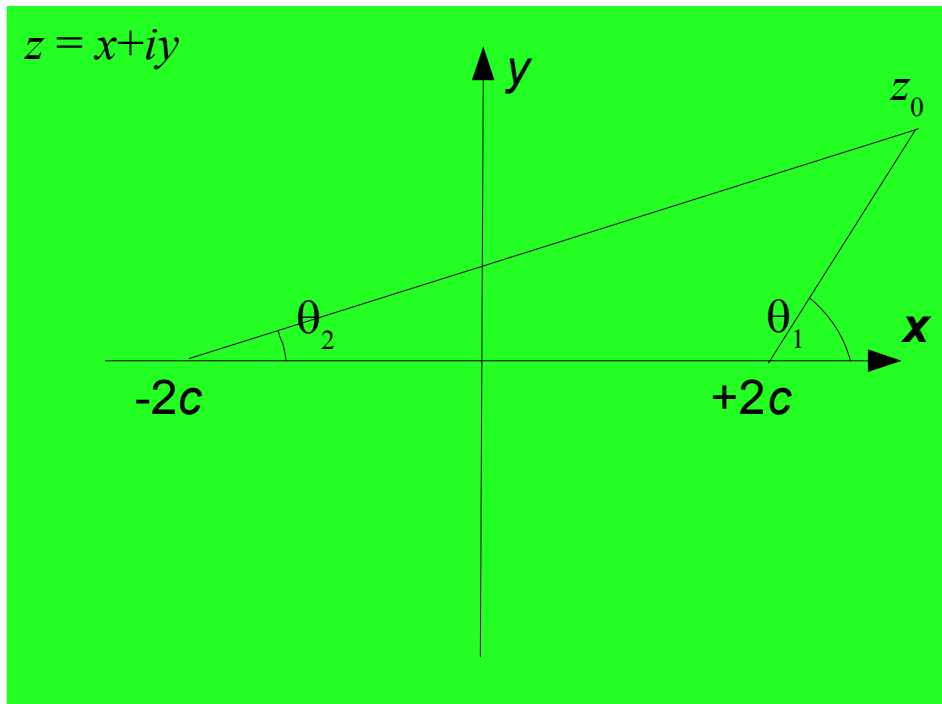
$\zeta = \pm c$: *critical points* (angle not preserved)



Nikolai Egorovich
Zhukovsky
(1847-1921)

*"Man will fly using the
power of his intellect
rather than the strength
of his arms."*

Critical points of Zhukovsky transform

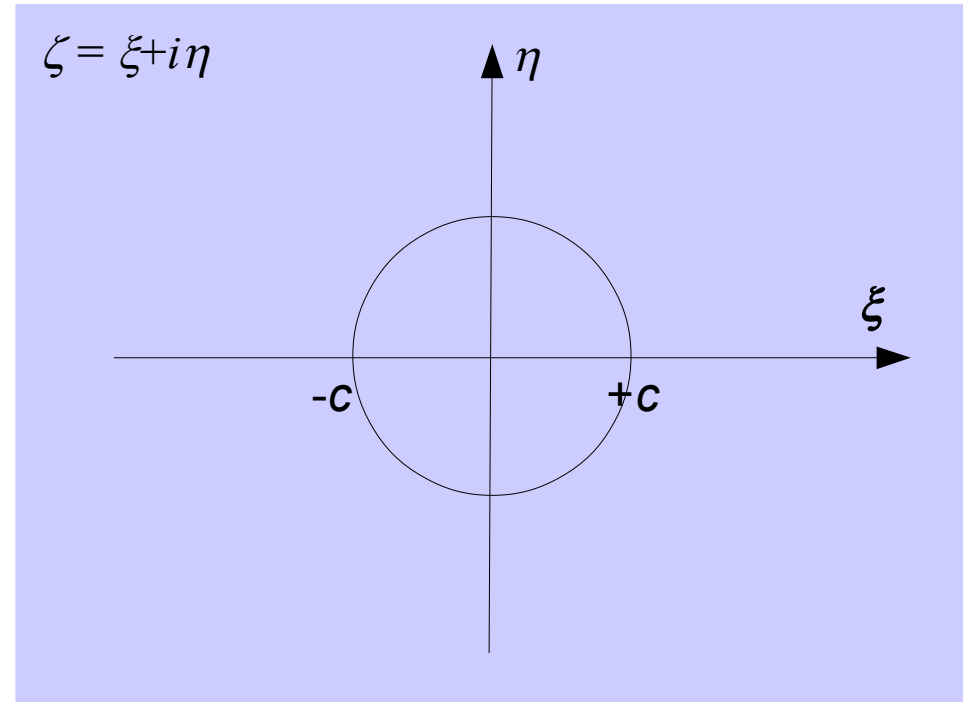
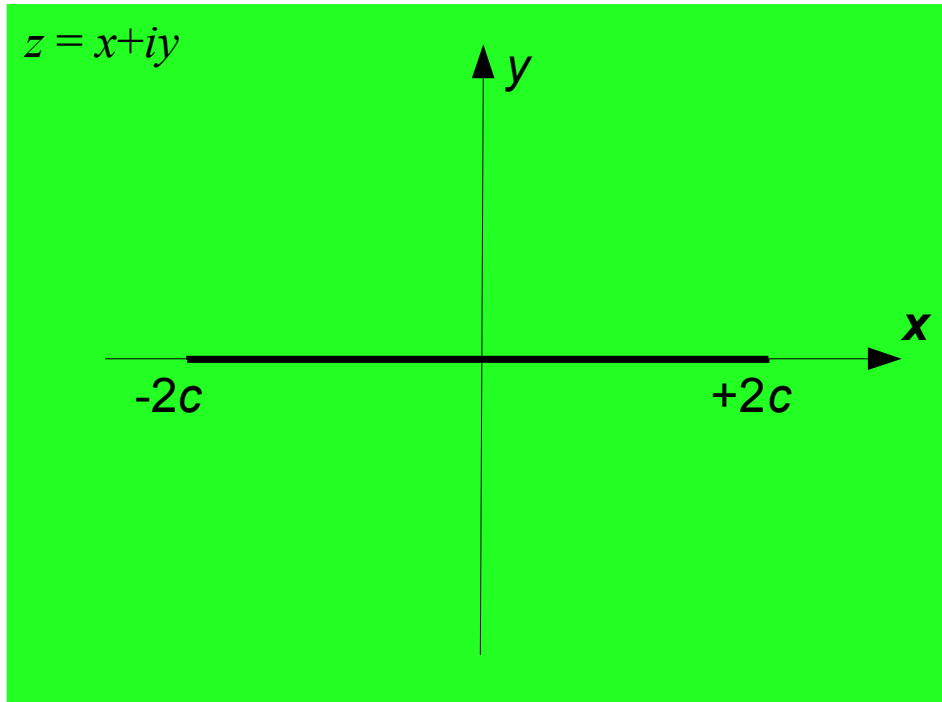


$$\zeta = \pm c \quad z = \pm c + \frac{c^2}{\pm c} = \pm 2c$$

Can prove: $\theta_1 - \theta_2 = 2(v_1 - v_2)$

A smooth curve passing through $\zeta = c$ will correspond to a curve with a cusp in z -plane

Example: $\zeta = ce^{i\nu}$



$$z = ce^{i\nu} + \frac{c^2}{ce^{i\nu}} = c(e^{i\nu} + e^{-i\nu}) = 2c \cos \nu$$

Zhukovsky transform recipe. Start with flow around a cylinder in ζ -plane, map to something

4.14. Flow around ellipses

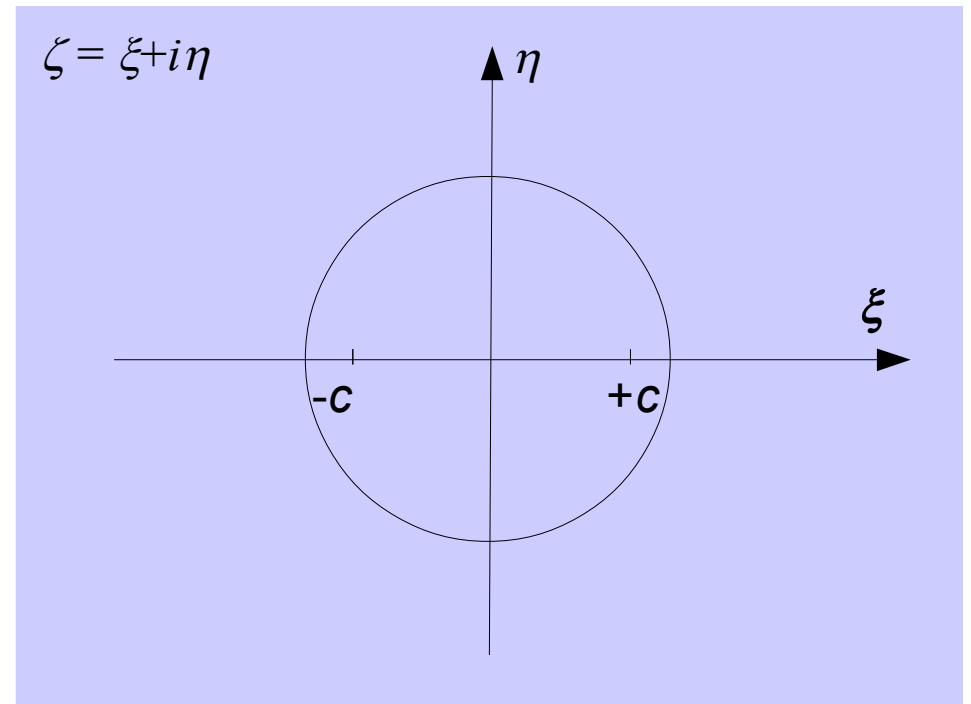
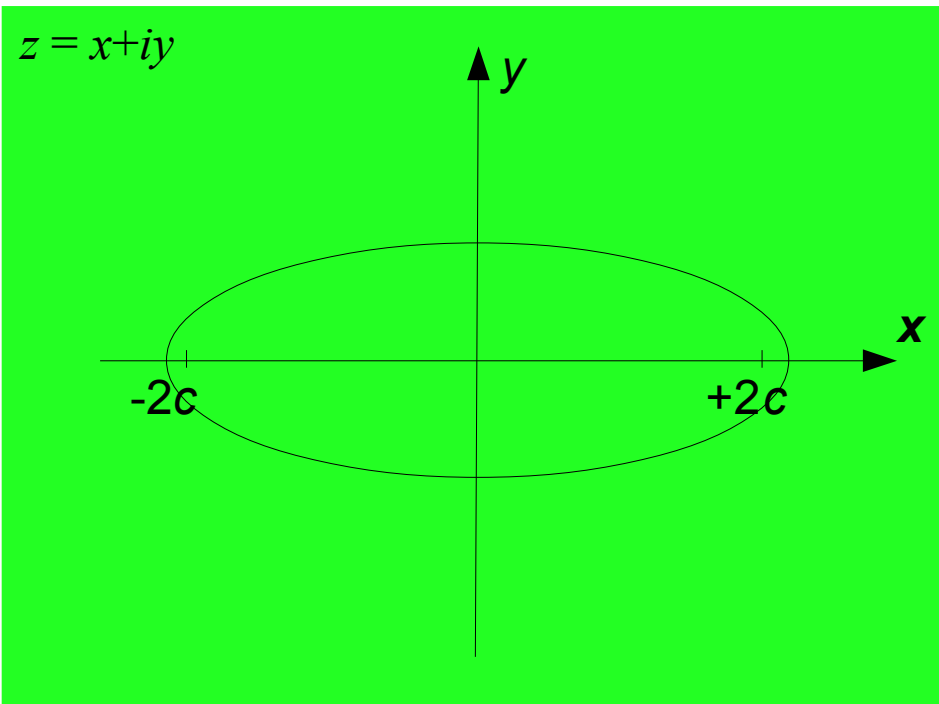
Circle in ζ -plane, radius $a > c$, center at origin

$$\zeta = a e^{i\nu}$$

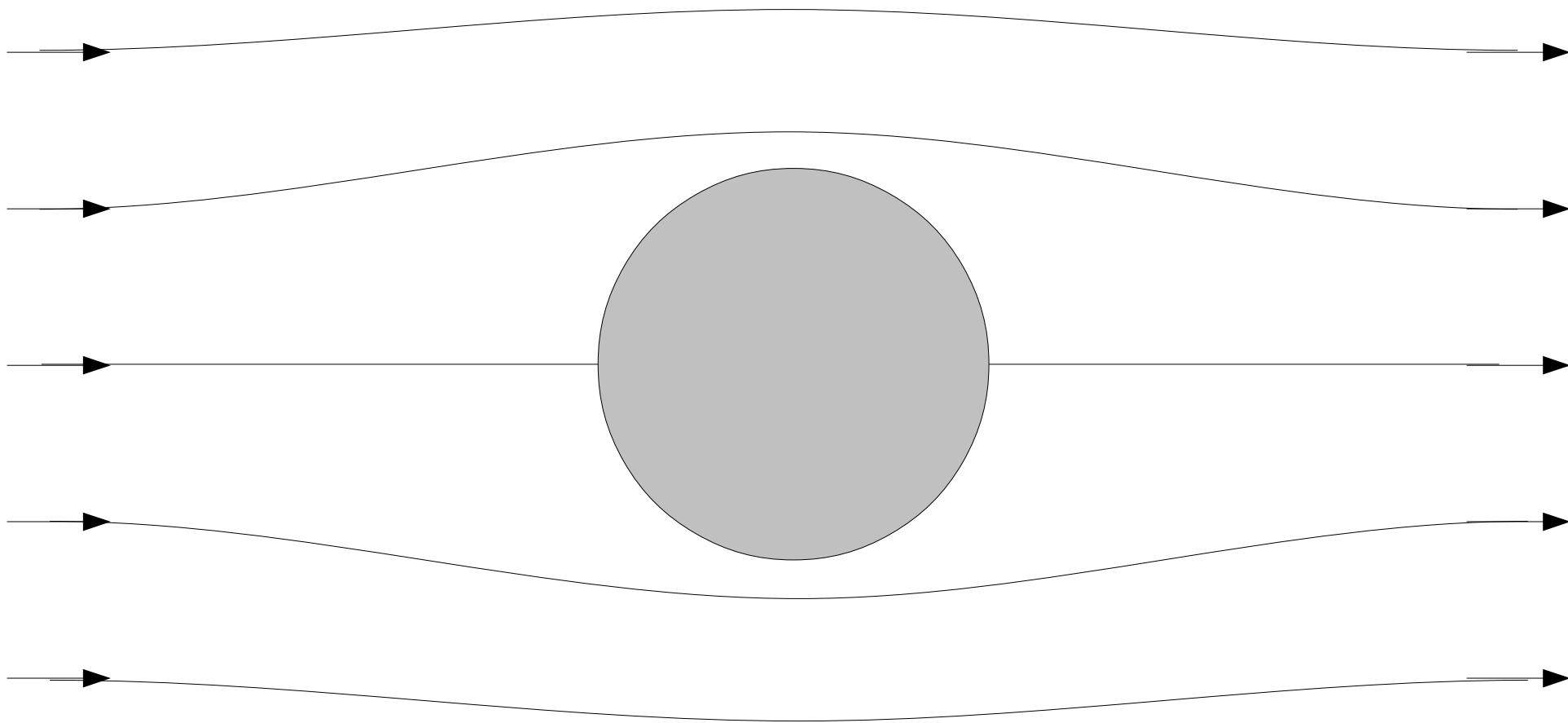
$$z = a e^{i\nu} + \frac{c^2}{a} e^{-i\nu} = \left(a + \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \cos \nu + i \left(a - \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \sin \nu$$

Major semiaxis Minor semiaxis

Parametric equation of an ellipse



Flow past a cylinder

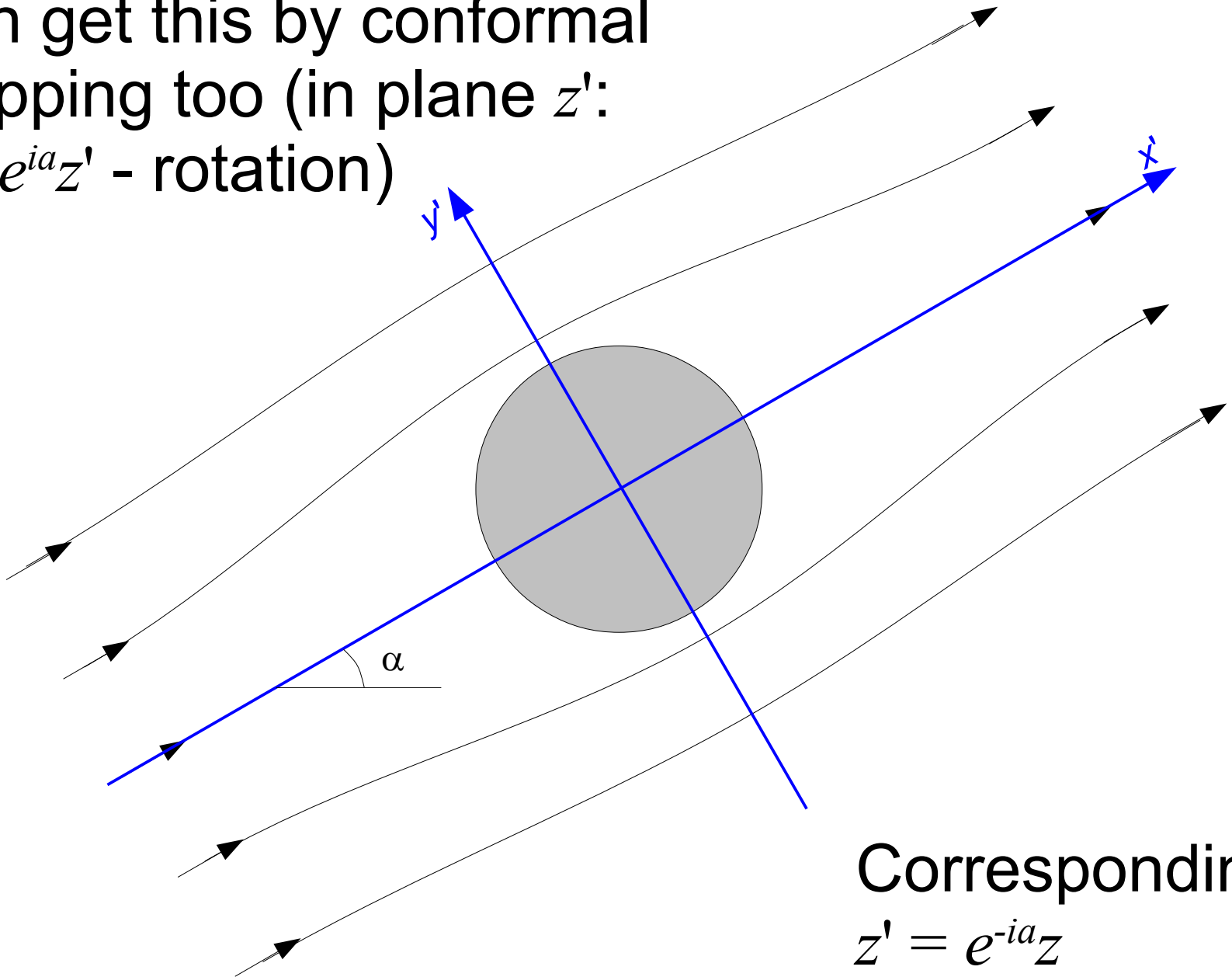


$$F(z) = U \left(z + \frac{a^2}{z} \right)$$

Now consider freestream flow at an angle

Can get this by conformal mapping too (in plane z' :

$z = e^{ia}z'$ - rotation)



Correspondingly,
 $z' = e^{-ia}z$

In plane z'

$$F(z') = U \left(z' + \frac{a^2}{z'} \right)$$

$$F = U \left(z e^{-i\alpha} + \frac{a^2}{z e^{-i\alpha}} \right) = U \left(z e^{-i\alpha} + \frac{a^2}{z} e^{i\alpha} \right)$$

Let's have this flow in ζ -plane:

$$F(\zeta) = U \left(\zeta e^{-i\alpha} + \frac{a^2}{\zeta} e^{i\alpha} \right)$$

Now recall that

$$z = \zeta + \frac{c^2}{\zeta}$$

Express ζ in terms of z :

$$\zeta^2 + c^2 - \zeta z = 0$$

$$\zeta = \frac{z}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^2 - c^2}$$

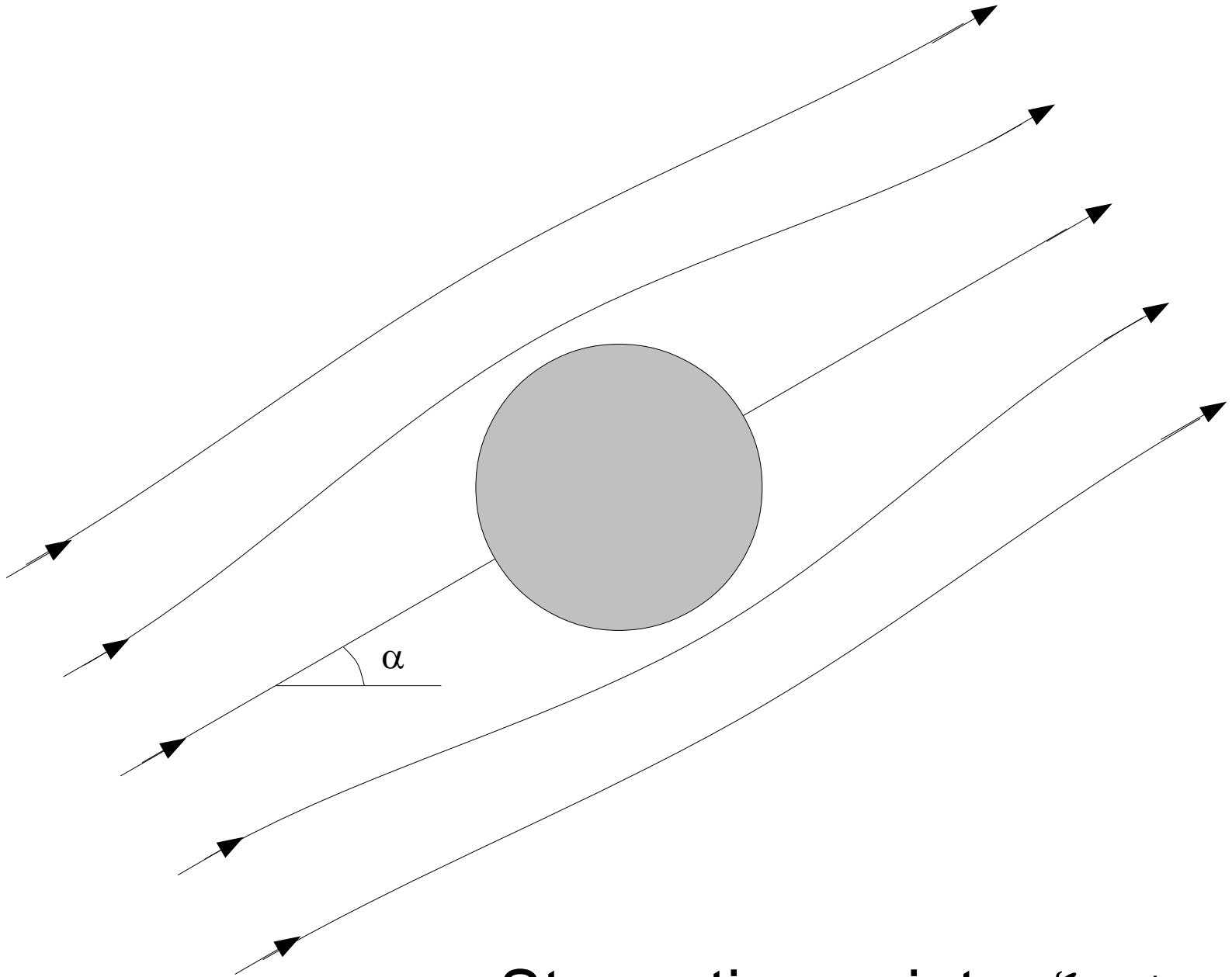
Recall that for $z \rightarrow \infty$, $z \rightarrow \zeta$. Thus select

$$\zeta = \frac{z}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^2 - c^2}$$

Plug this into $F(\zeta)$ to get $F(z)$... (skip derivation)

$$F(z) = U \left[ze^{-i\alpha} + \left(\frac{a^2}{c^2} e^{i\alpha} - e^{-i\alpha} \right) \left(\frac{z}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^2 - c^2} \right) \right]$$

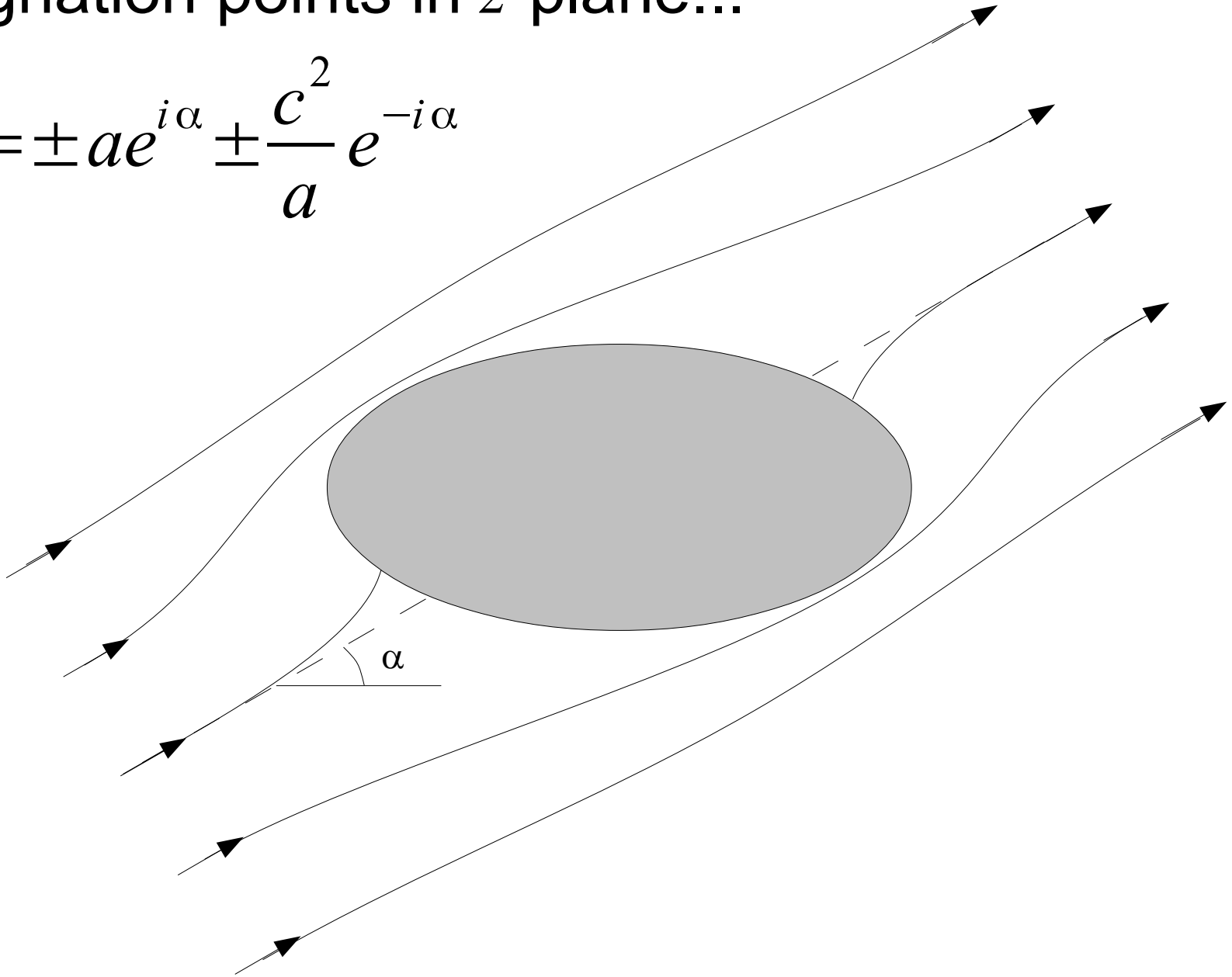
Uniform flow at angle α approaching an ellipse with major semiaxis $a + c^2/a$ and minor semiaxis $a - c^2/a$



Stagnation points: $\zeta = \pm ae^{i\alpha}$

Stagnation points in z -plane...

$$z = \pm ae^{i\alpha} \pm \frac{c^2}{a} e^{-i\alpha}$$



$$z = \pm \left(a + \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \cos \alpha \pm i \left(a - \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \sin \alpha$$

$$x = \pm \left(a + \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \cos \alpha$$

$$y = \pm \left(a - \frac{c^2}{a} \right) \sin \alpha$$

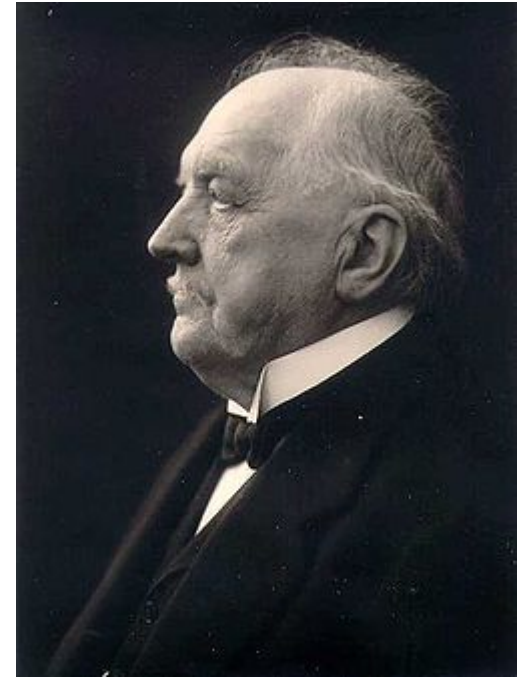
- forward stagnation point

+ downstream stagnation point

$\alpha = 0$: horizontal flow approaching horizontal ellipse

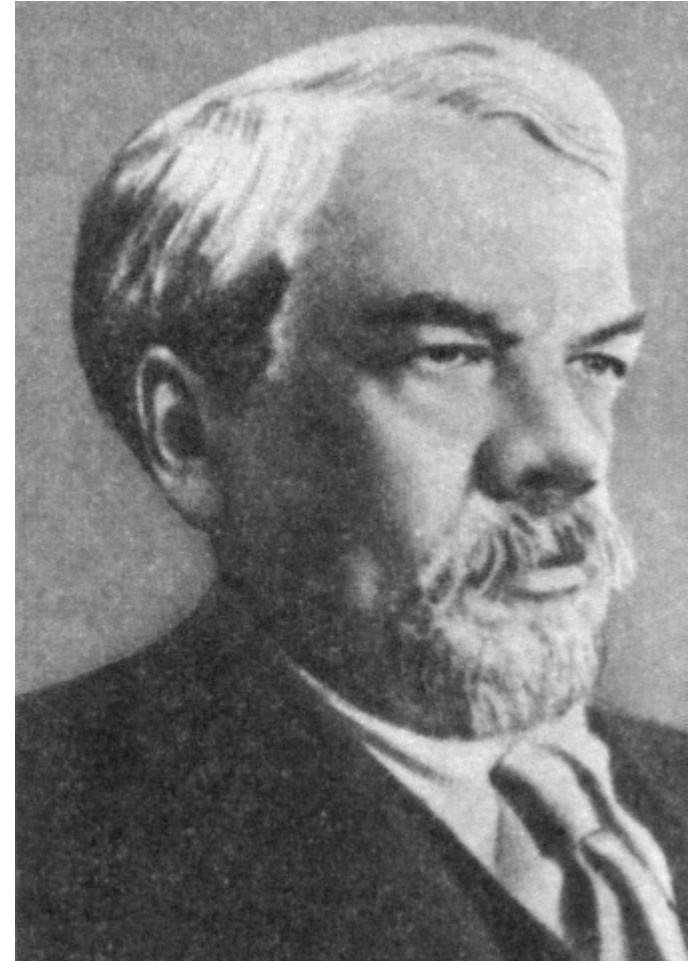
$\alpha = \pi/2$: vertical flow, horizontal ellipse (or horizontal flow, vertical ellipse)

4.15. ~~Kutta condition~~ and the flat-plate airfoil



Martin Wilhelm Kutta
(1867-1944)

4.15. Zhukovsky-Chaplygin postulate and the flat-plate airfoil



Sergey Chaplygin
(1869-1942),
Hero of Socialist Labour
(1 February 1941)

4.15. Zhukovsky-Chaplygin postulate and the flat-plate airfoil

Flow around a sharp edge (section 4.6)...

W

- At a sharp edge



OH CRAP...

Who divided by zero?

4.15. Zhukovsky-Chaplygin postulate and the flat-plate airfoil

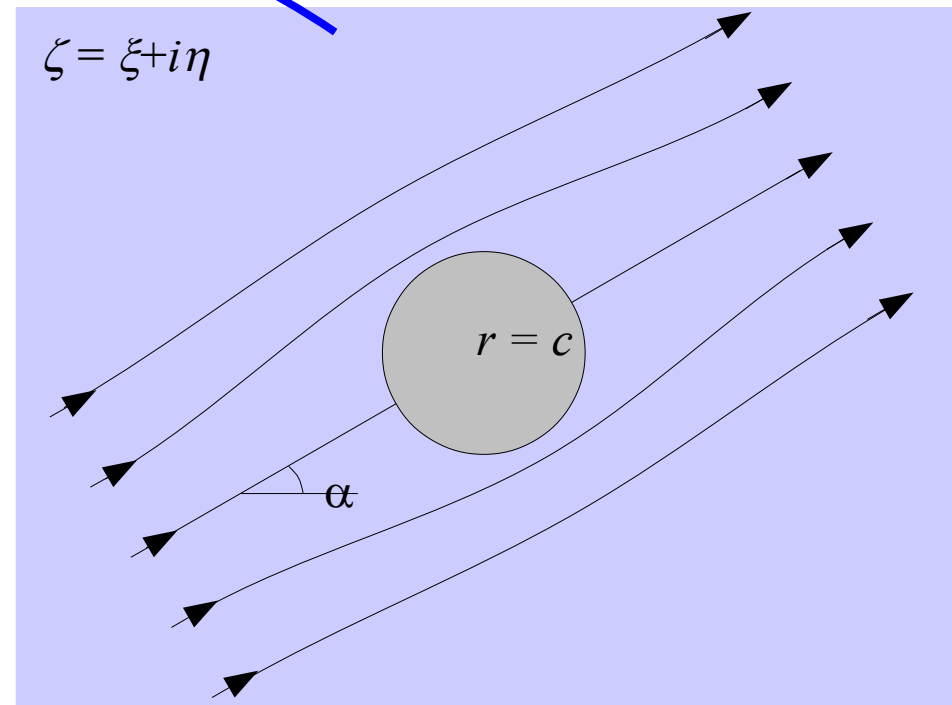
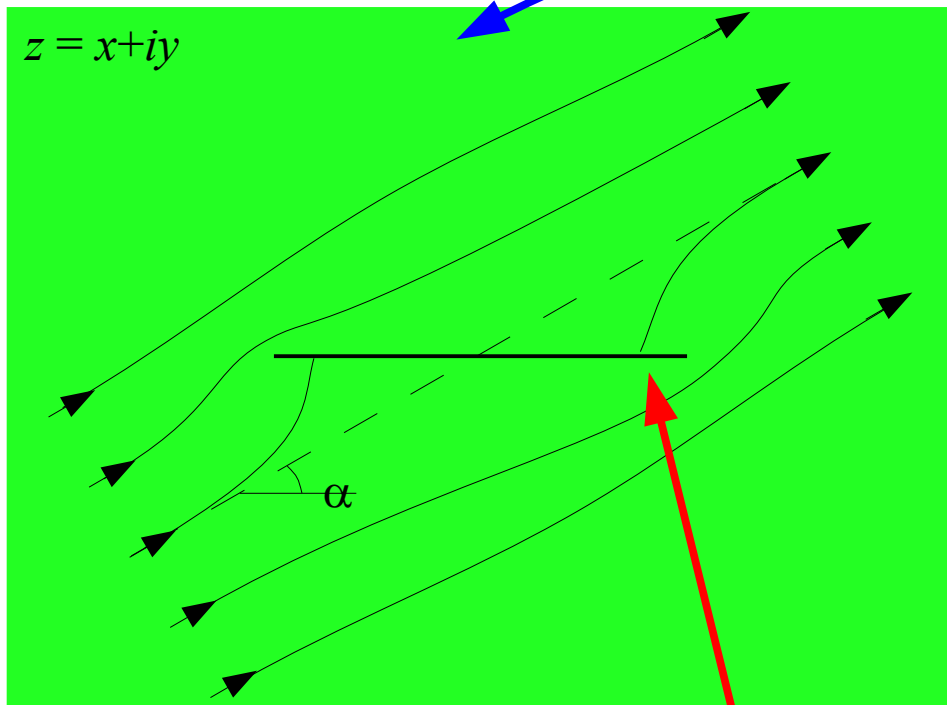
Flow around a sharp edge (section 4.6)...

$$F(z) = C z^{1/2}$$
$$w(z) = \frac{dF}{dz} = \frac{C}{2 z^{1/2}}$$

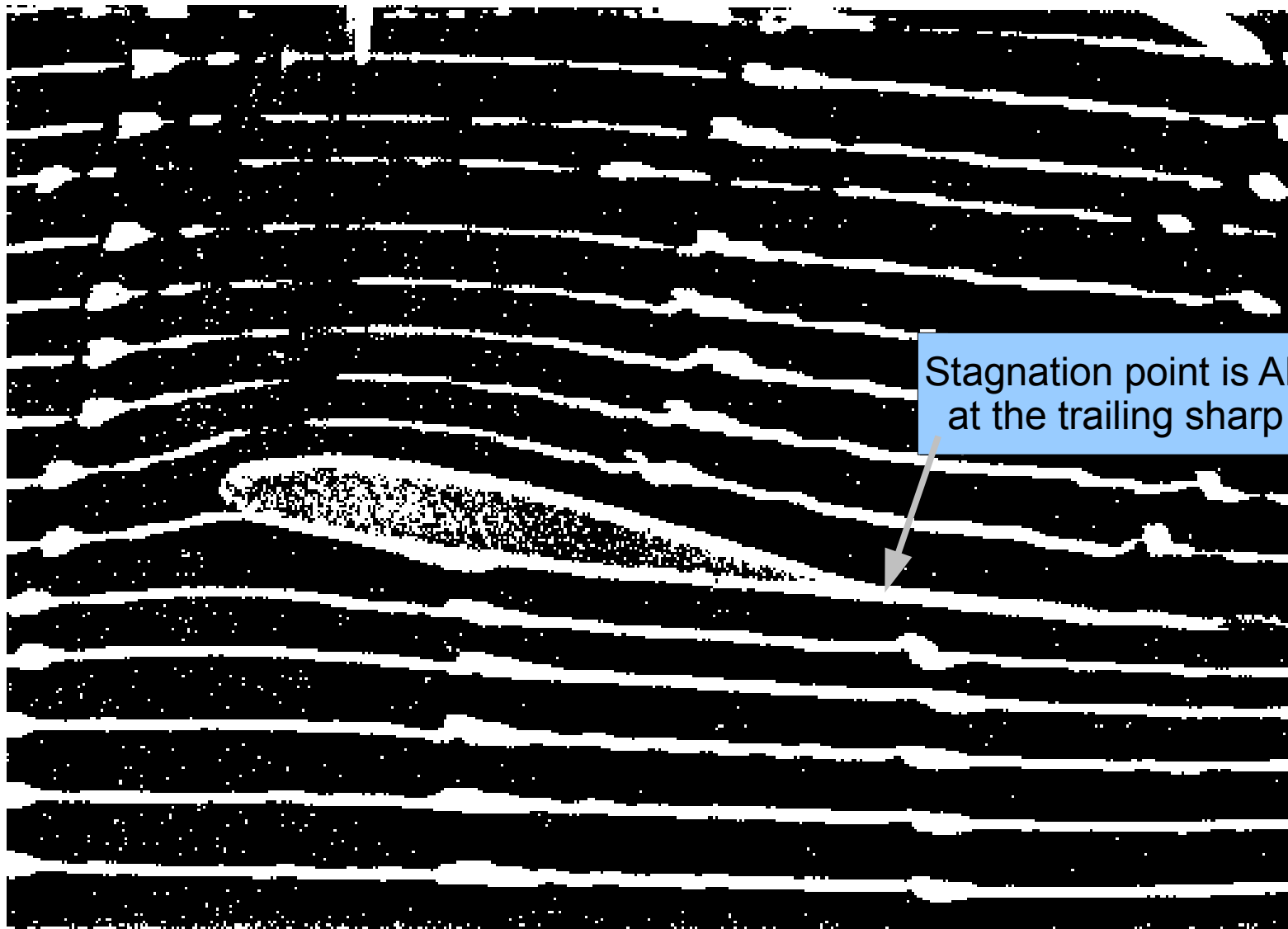
$z = 0$: singularity

- At a sharp edge, velocity goes to infinity
- This is not the case in experiment, luckily
- Need a fix for theory near sharp edges
- That's not the only problem though...

$$z = \zeta + \frac{c^2}{\zeta}$$



Herein lies
the problem!



Stagnation point is ALWAYS
at the trailing sharp edge!

Smoke visualization of wind tunnel flow past a lifting surface
Alexander Lippisch, 1953

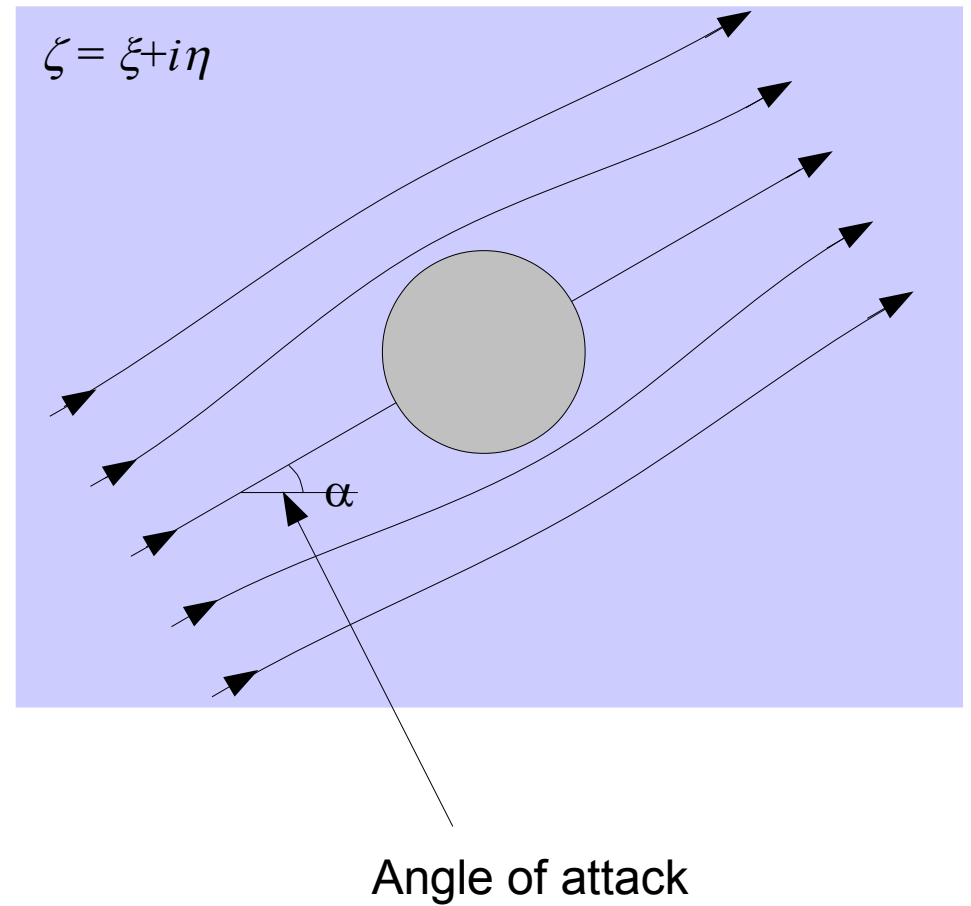
Zhukovsky-Chaplygin postulate:

For bodies with sharp trailing edges at modest angles of attack to the freestream, the rear stagnation point will stay at the trailing edge

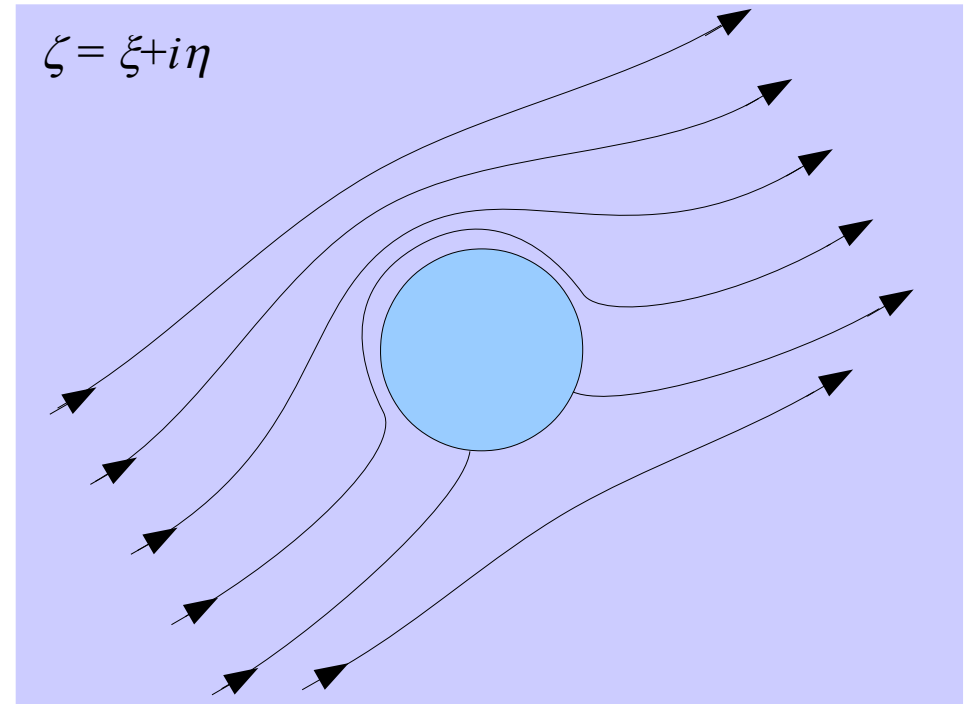
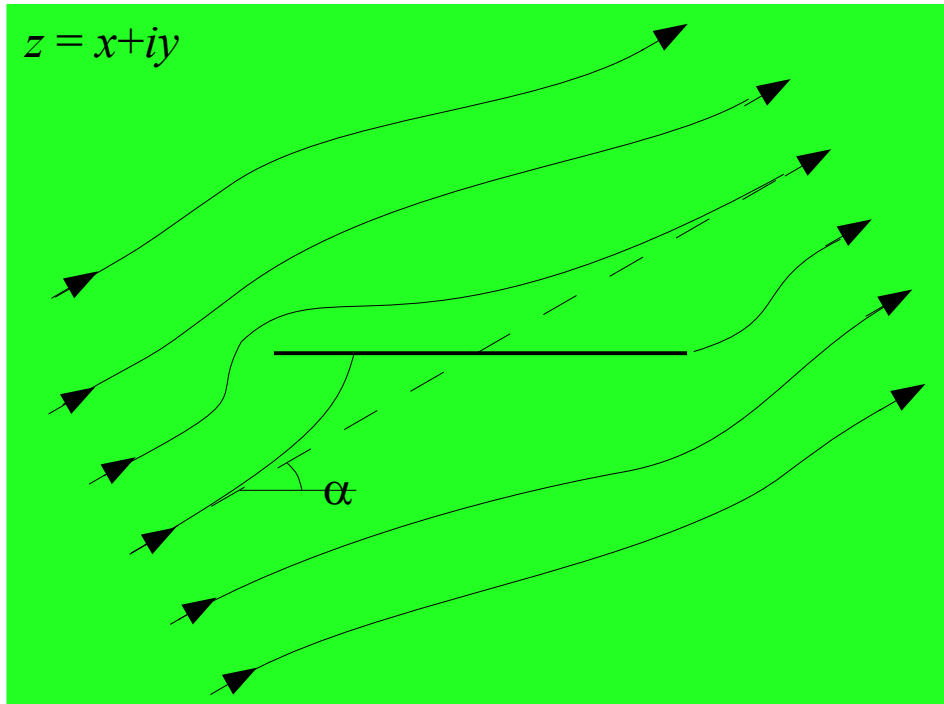
Dealing with trailing-edge singularity

In modeling real lifting surfaces, trailing edge has sharp but *finite* curvature

How to “fix” the flat-plate flow?



Add circulation...



...to move the
stagnation point to the
trailing edge!

We want to move the rear stagnation point to $z = 2c$

That would correspond to $\zeta = c$ in the z -plane

Need to move it there from $\zeta = ce^{i\alpha}$

For cylinder flow with circulation...

$$\sin \theta_s = -\frac{\Gamma}{4\pi U a}$$

If $\sin \theta_s = -\sin \alpha$,

$$\Gamma = 4\pi U a \sin \alpha$$

Recipe for constructing a complex potential for corrected flat-plate flow (Eq. 4.22b)

- Cylinder flow
- Add circulation $\Gamma = 4\pi a U \sin \alpha$
- Rotate the plane α degrees counterclockwise
- Zhukovsky transform
- ???
- Profit!

Lift on a flat-plate airfoil extending from $-2a$ to $2a$

Blasius law for cylinder flow:

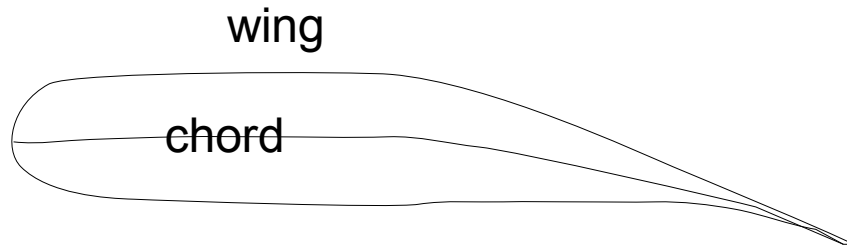
$$Y = \rho U \Gamma$$

In our case

$$Y = 4 \pi \rho U^2 a \sin \alpha$$

Introduce dimensionless *lift coefficient*

$$C_L = \frac{Y}{\frac{1}{2} \rho U^2 l}$$



Characteristic length scale
(for wings – *chord length*)

For our flat plate, $l = 4a$ and

$$C_L = 2\pi \sin \alpha$$

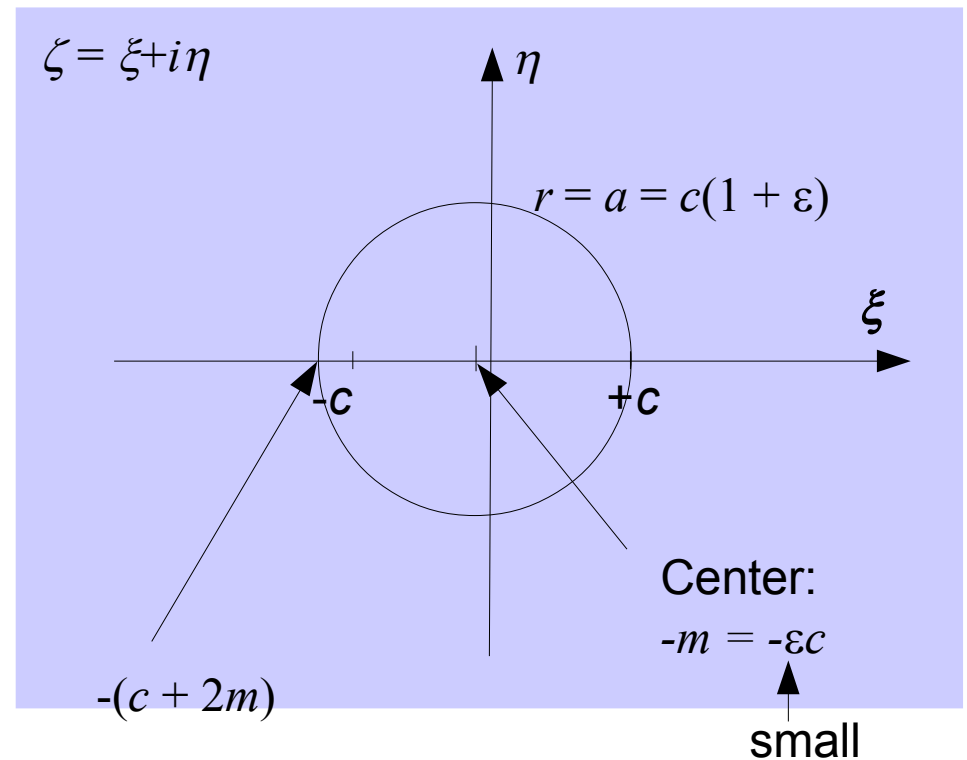
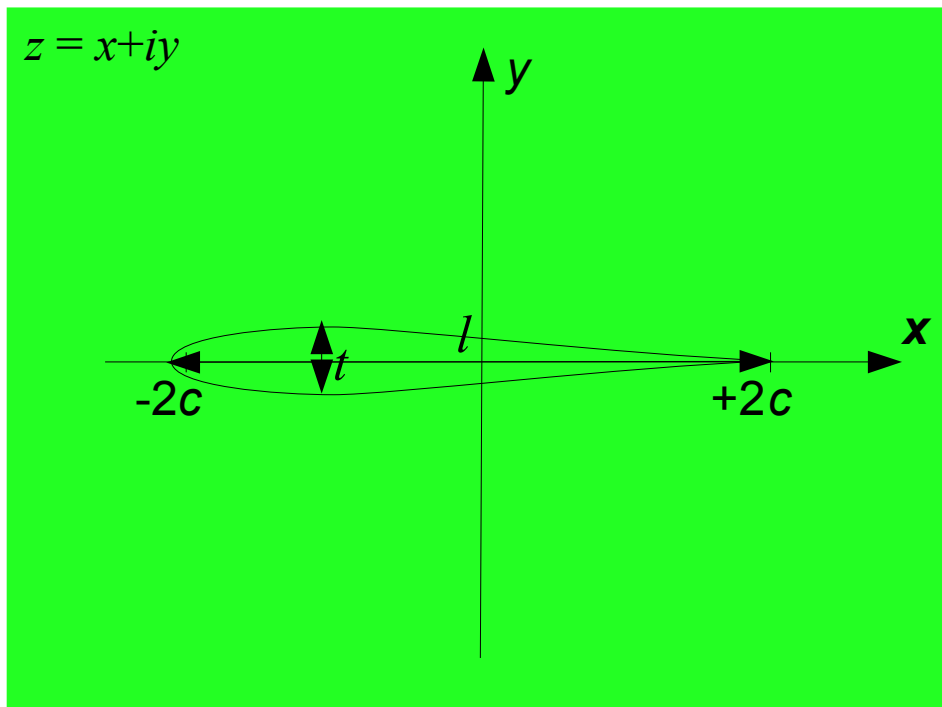
At small angles of attack, lift coefficient on a flat plate increases with angle of attack!



САМОЛЕТ А. Ф. МОЖАЙСКОГО
A.F. MOZHAISKIY AEROPLAN
1894 г. 1894
Модель М 1.30 Model Scale
Автор В. Г. Савиловский Author V.G.S.

4.16. Symmetrical Zhukovsky airfoil

Goal: airfoil with sharp trailing edge and blunt leading edge



Leading edge in ζ -plane: $-(c + 2m)$

In z -plane, the leading edge is...

$$z = -c(1 + 2\varepsilon) - \frac{c}{1 + 2\varepsilon} = -2c + O(\varepsilon^2) \approx -2c$$

Chord length $l = 4c$

Similarly (more series expansions, linearization)
thickness

$$t = 3\sqrt{3}c\varepsilon, \quad \frac{t}{l} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}\varepsilon$$

Thickness ratio

Maximum thickness occurs at $x = -c$

Extra Flugzeugbau EA300, 1987, Walter Extra design, Zhukovsky wing profile



Can find ε in ζ -plane from desired l and t in z -plane:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \frac{t}{l} \approx 0.77 \frac{t}{l}$$

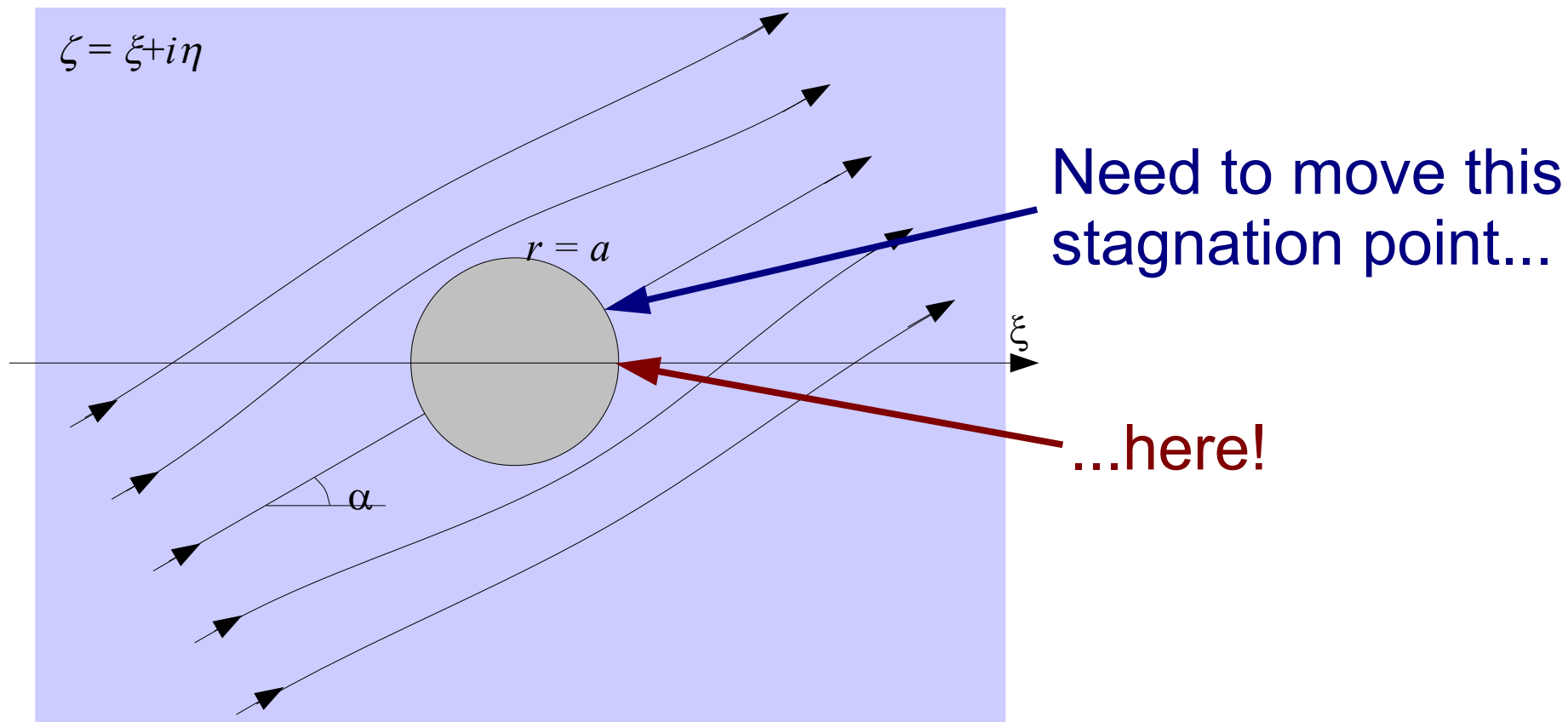
Equation for symmetric Zhukovsky profile in z -plane

$$\frac{y}{l} = \pm \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} \left(1 - 2 \frac{x}{l} \right) \sqrt{1 - \left(2 \frac{x}{l} \right)^2}$$

At zero angle of attack, stagnation point is at trailing edge, lift = 0

Add angle of attack α ...

To satisfy the Zhukovsky/Kutta/whatever condition...



For a cylinder of radius a , the needed amount of circulation is (same as for flat plate...)

$$\Gamma = 4\pi a U \sin \alpha$$

Express radius a in terms of l and t ...

$$a = c + m = c(1 + \varepsilon) = \frac{l}{4} \left(1 + \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \frac{t}{l} \right)$$

For an angle of attack α , circulation we need to add is...

$$\Gamma = 4\pi U a \sin \alpha = \pi U l \left(1 + \frac{4}{3\sqrt{3}} \frac{t}{l} \right) \sin \alpha$$

Lift coefficient for symmetrical Zhukovsky airfoil

$$C_L \approx 2\pi \left(1 + 0.77 \frac{t}{l} \right) \sin \alpha$$

$t \rightarrow 0$, this reduces to lift coefficient of flat plate

Zhukovsky symmetrical profile has better lift!

4.17. Arc airfoil

Airfoil of zero thickness but finite curvature

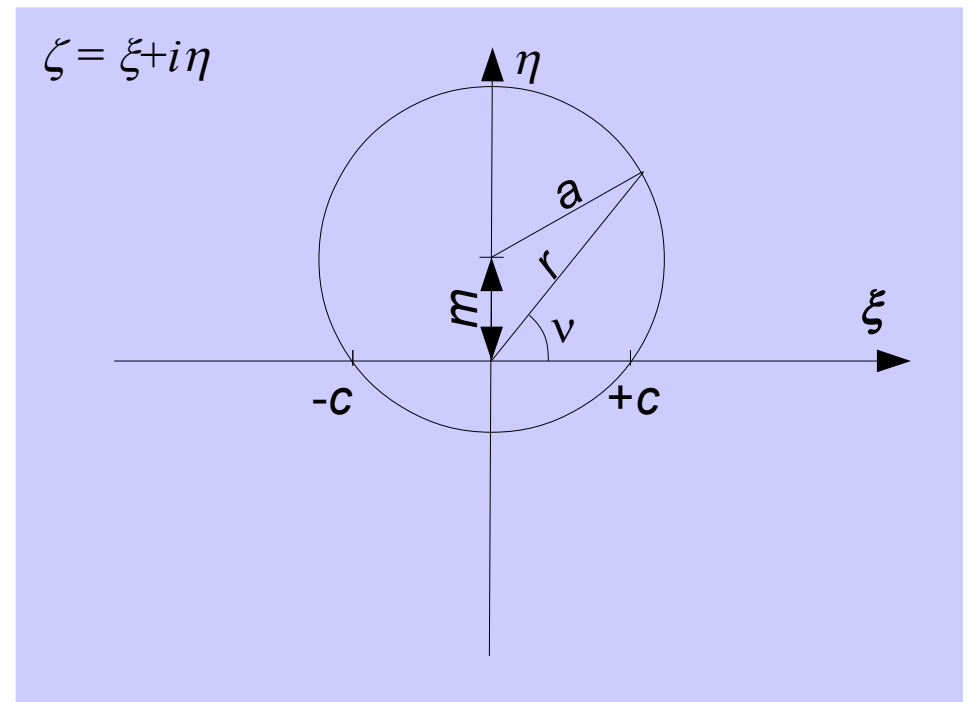
Use cosine theorem to get r

$$a^2 = r^2 + m^2 - 2rm \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \nu\right)$$

In z -plane,

$$z = r e^{i\nu} + \frac{c^2}{r} e^{-i\nu} =$$

$$= \left(r + \frac{c^2}{r}\right) \cos \nu + i \left(r - \frac{c^2}{r}\right) \sin \nu$$



$$x^2 = \left(r^2 + 2c^2 + \frac{c^4}{r^2} \right) \cos^2 \nu, \quad y^2 = \left(r^2 - 2c^2 + \frac{c^4}{r^2} \right) \sin^2 \nu$$

$\times \sin^2 \nu$
 $\times \cos^2 \nu$

$$r^2 \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu = x^2 \sin^2 \nu - \left(2c^2 + \frac{c^4}{r^2} \right) \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu$$

||

$$r^2 \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu = y^2 \cos^2 \nu + \left(2c^2 - \frac{c^4}{r^2} \right) \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu$$

$$x^2 \sin^2 \nu - y^2 \cos^2 \nu = 4c^2 \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu$$

Use cosine theorem:

$$\sin \nu = \frac{r^2 - c^2}{2rm} = \left(r - \frac{c^2}{r} \right) \frac{1}{2m} = \frac{y}{2m \sin \nu}$$

y cannot be negative!!!

$$\sin^2 \nu = \frac{y}{2m}, \quad \cos^2 \nu = 1 - \frac{y}{2m}$$

$$x^2 \sin^2 \nu - y^2 \cos^2 \nu = 4c^2 \cos^2 \nu \sin^2 \nu$$

$$x^2 \frac{y}{2m} - y^2 \left(1 - \frac{y}{2m}\right) = 4c^2 \frac{y}{2m} \left(1 - \frac{y}{2m}\right)$$

$$\frac{x^2}{2m} - y + \frac{y^2}{2m} = \frac{2c^2}{m} - c^2 \frac{y}{m^2}$$

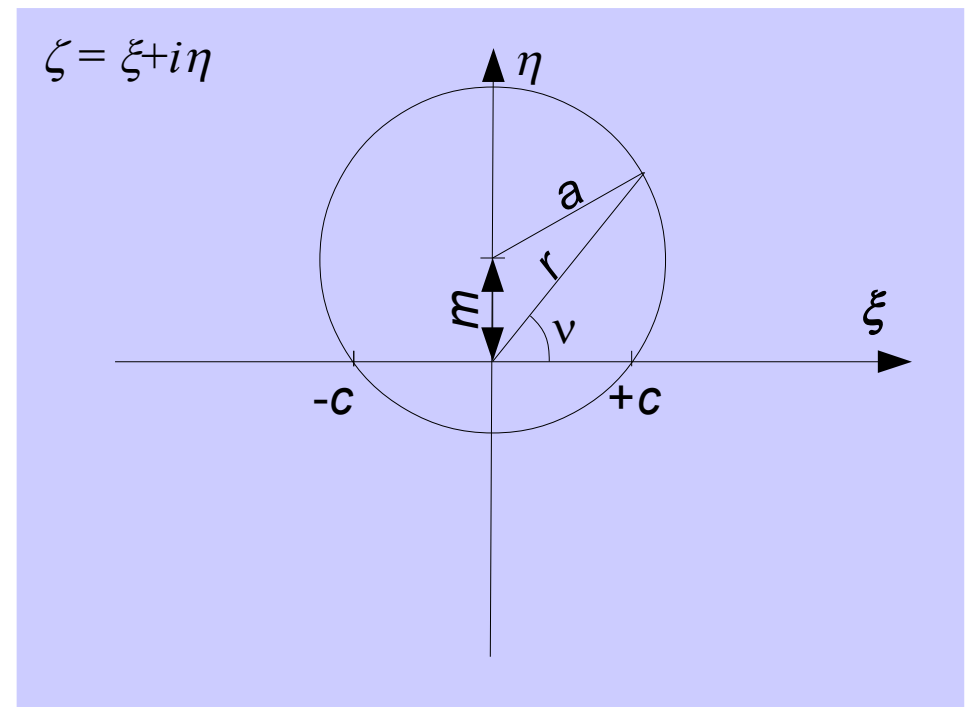
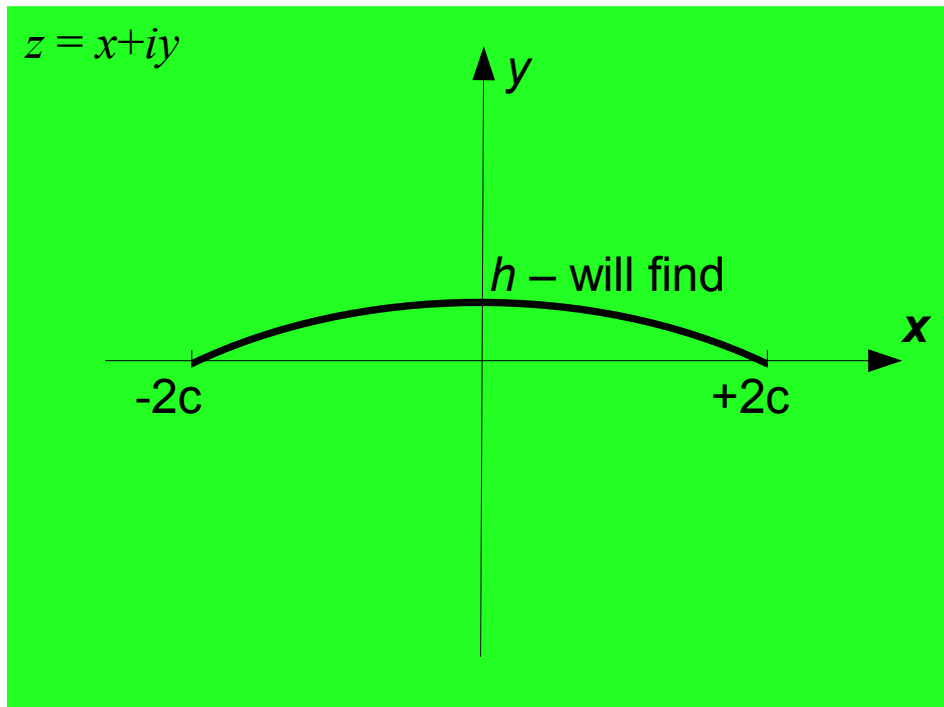
$$x^2 - 2my + y^2 = 4c^2 - 2c^2 \frac{y}{m}$$

$$x^2 + \left[y + c \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right) \right]^2 = c^2 \left[4 + \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right)^2 \right]$$

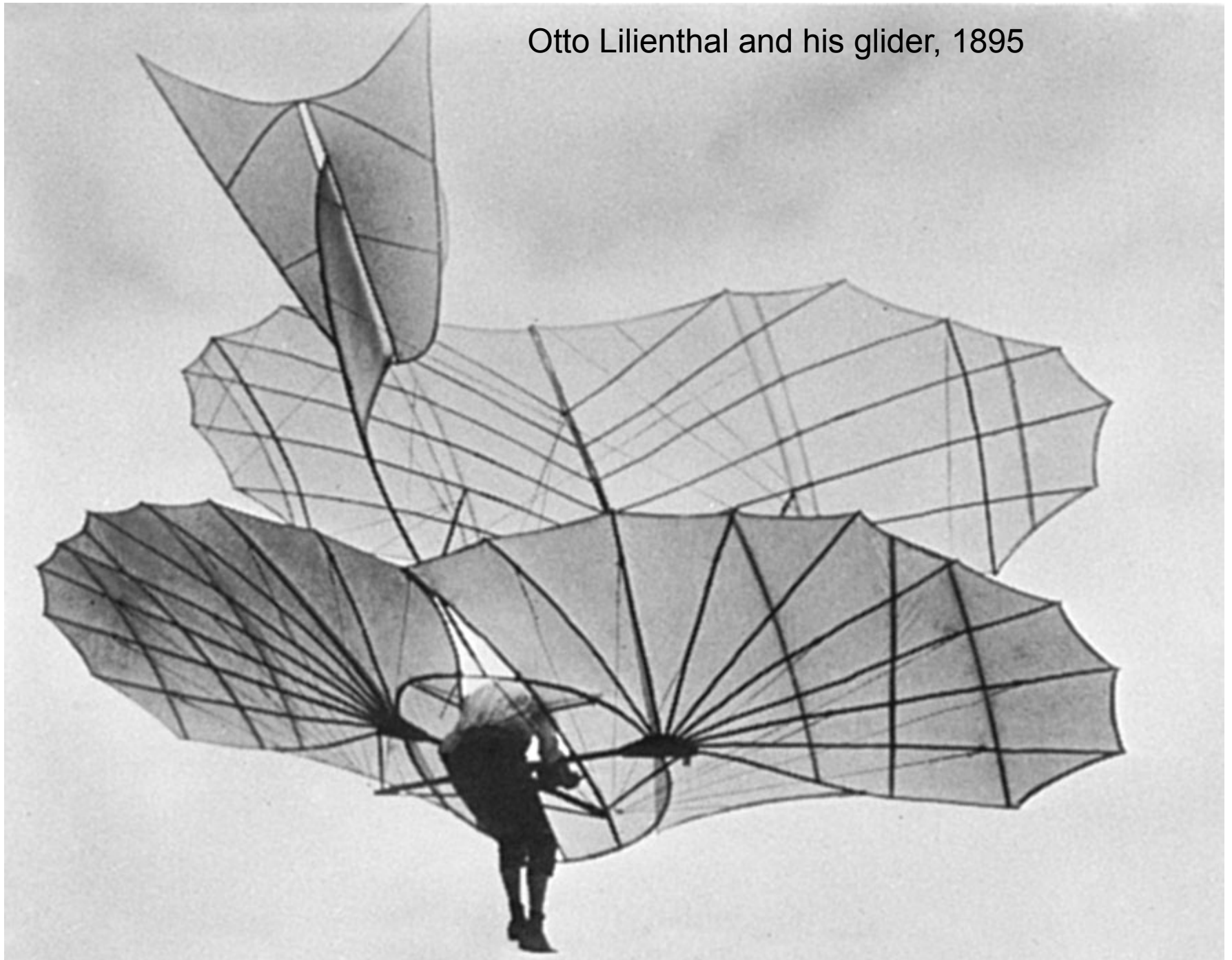
$$x^2 + \left[y + c \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right) \right]^2 = c^2 \left[4 + \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$y \geq 0$$

Equation of an arc in the z -plane



Otto Lilienthal and his glider, 1895



$$x^2 + \left[y + c \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right) \right]^2 = c^2 \left[4 + \left(\frac{c}{m} - \frac{m}{c} \right)^2 \right]$$

Recall that $m/c = \varepsilon$, linearize (not essential here but nice)

$$x^2 + \left(y + \frac{c^2}{m} \right)^2 = c^2 \left(4 + \frac{c^2}{m^2} \right)$$

Find arc height h

Since $y = 2m \sin^2 \nu$, $y_{\max} = h = 2m$

Next have to add circulation to put stagnation point at the trailing edge (trickier, because cylinder is moved upward in the ζ -plane)

Stagnation point needs to rotate by $\alpha + \tan^{-1}(m/c)$

Angle of attack Vertical shift

Linearize:

$$\tan^{-1}(m/c) \approx m/c = \varepsilon, a \approx c$$

Amount of circulation to be added:

$$\Gamma = 4\pi U a \sin\left(\alpha + \frac{m}{c}\right) \approx 4\pi U c \sin\left(\alpha + \frac{m}{c}\right)$$

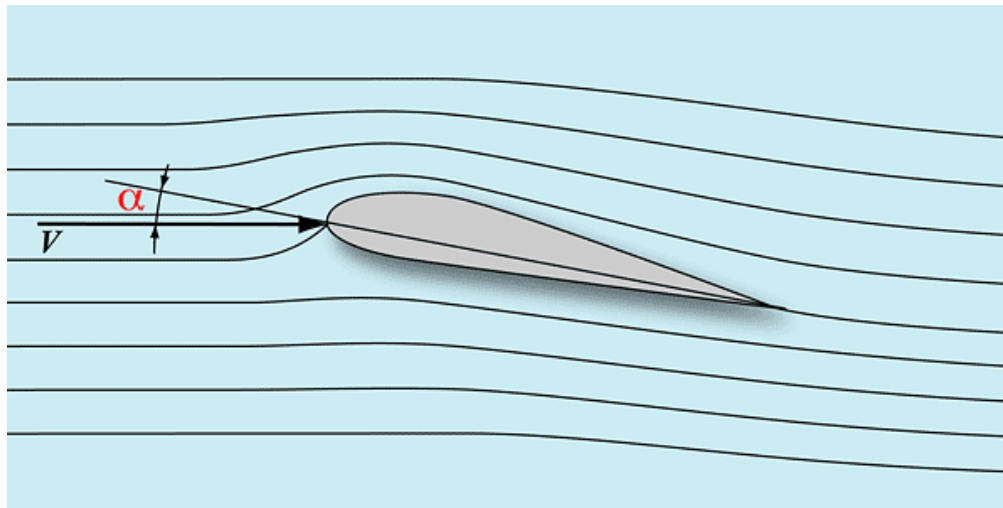
Lift coefficient:

$$C_L = 2\pi U c \sin\left(\alpha + \frac{m}{c}\right) = 2\pi U c \sin\left(\alpha + 2\frac{h}{l}\right)$$

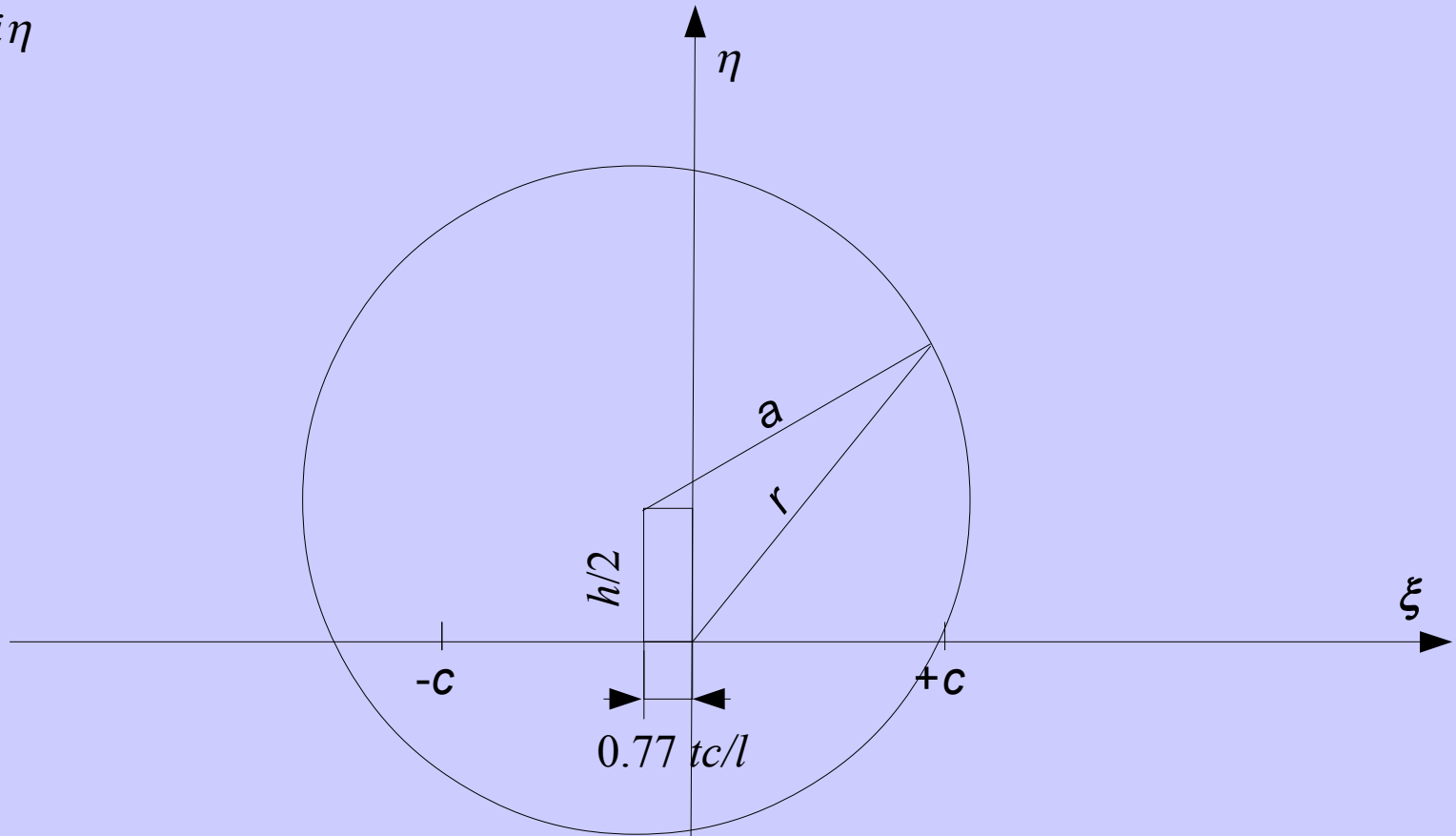
Again, more lift than flat plate!

4. 18. Zhukovsky airfoil

- Know how to create lifting surfaces with:
 - Straight chord, finite thickness
 - Zero thickness, small finite curvature (camber)
- Both improve lift, compared with flat plate
- Create a lifting surface with **both** *thickness* and *camber* (Zhukovsky profile)



$$\zeta = \xi + i\eta$$

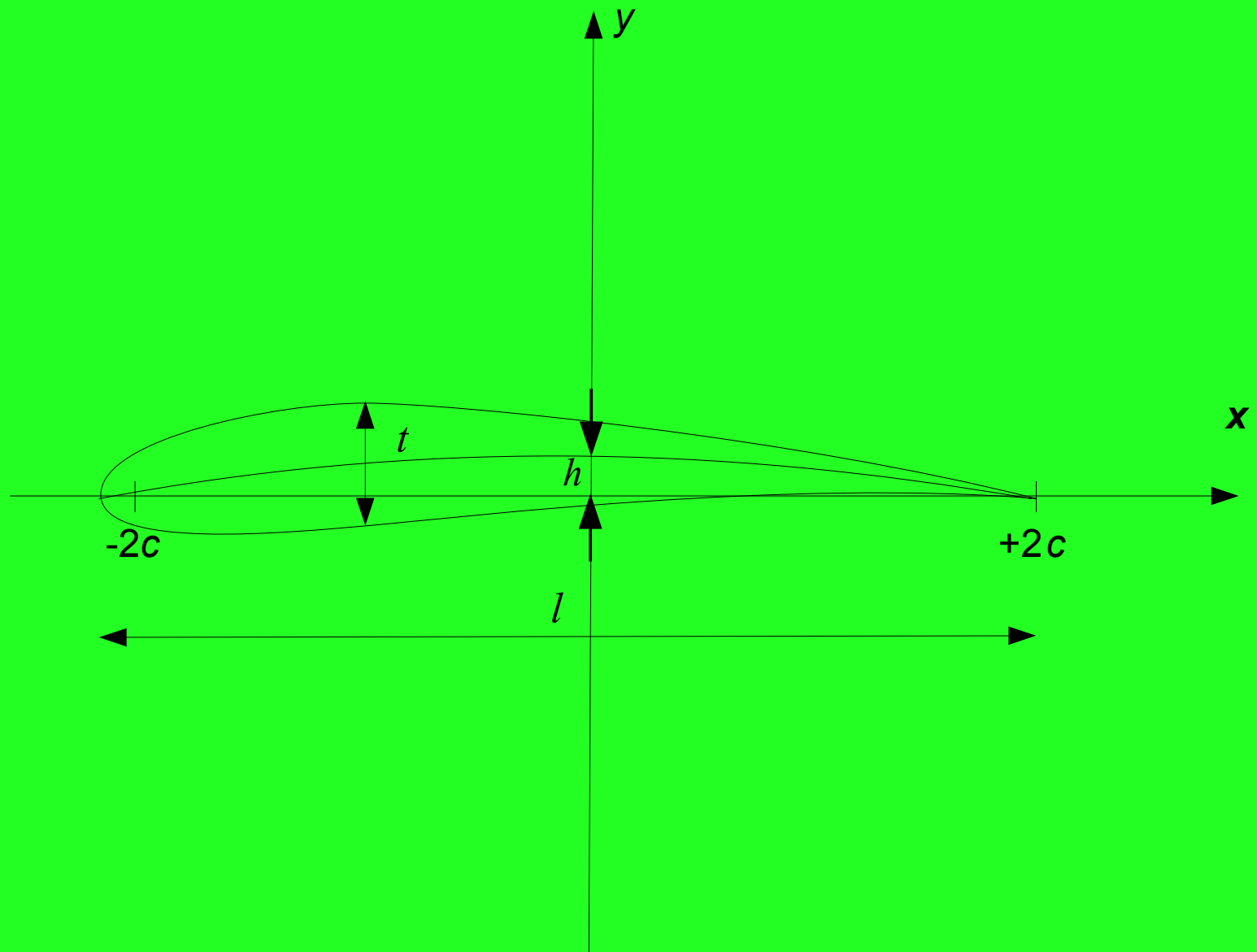


l – chord

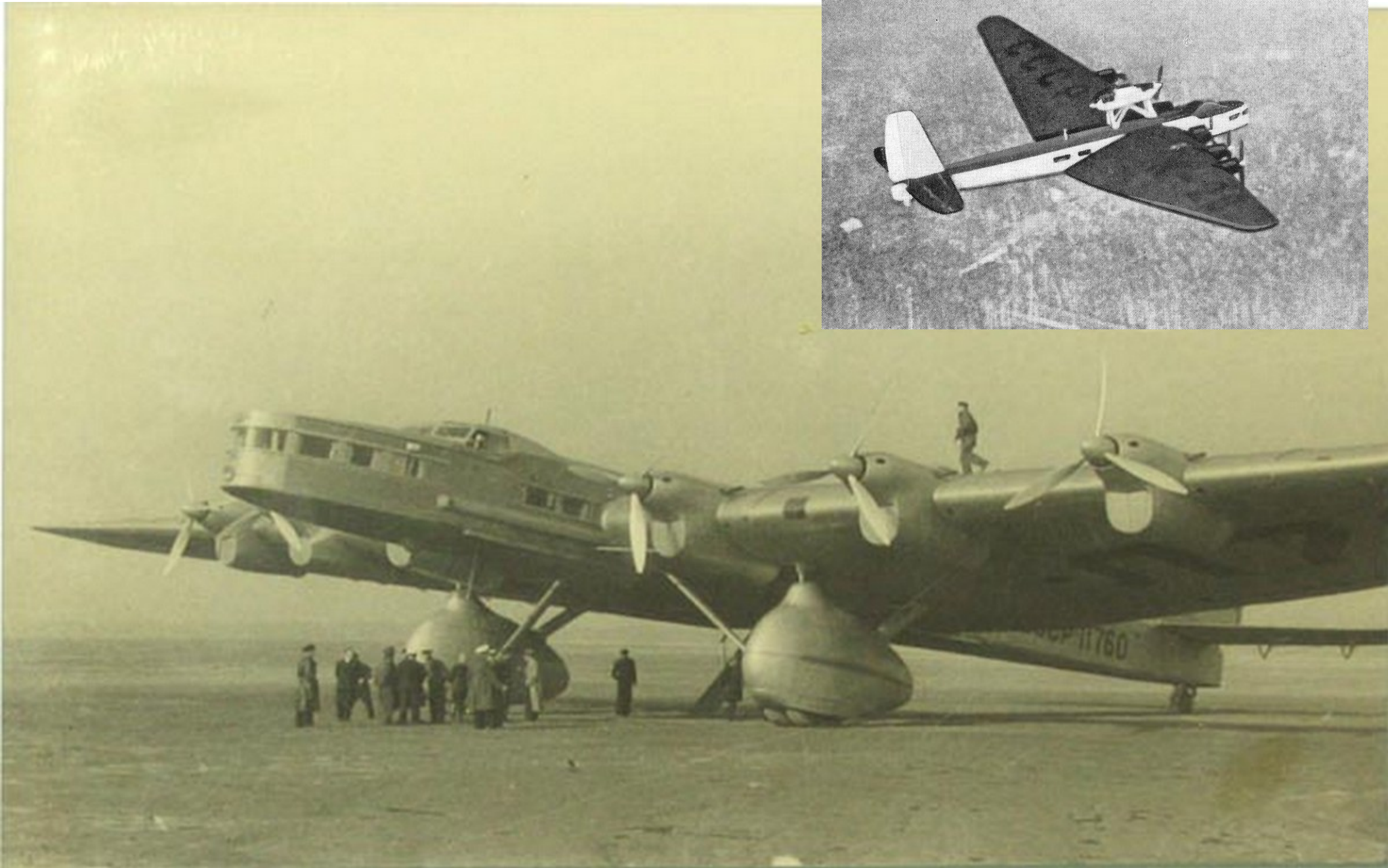
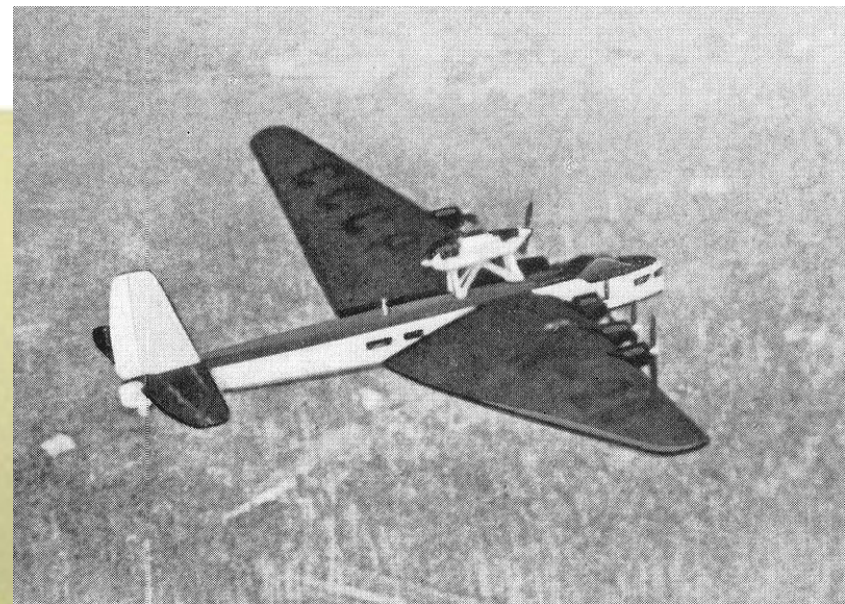
t – max. thickness

h – max. camber

$$z = x + iy$$



Maxim Gorky (ANT-20, PS-124) plane, 1935



Circulation

$$\Gamma = \pi U l \left(1 + 0.77 \frac{t}{l} \right) \sin \left(\alpha + \frac{2h}{l} \right)$$

thick cam
ness ber

Lift coefficient

$$C_L = 2\pi \left(1 + 0.77 \frac{t}{l} \right) \sin \left(\alpha + \frac{2h}{l} \right)$$

Kalinin K-7 (Russia, 1930)



Dornier X flying boat (Germany, 1929)

