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8 Potential Flows

- 8.1 The nature of solutions of the Navier-Stokes equations at high Reynolds numbers: decomposition of the flow into an inviscid irrotational outer flow with "slip at the wall" and a thin viscous boundary layer very near the wall; role of potential flow as the 'outer solution'
- 8.2 The Velocity Potential and the Stream Function. Linearity and superposition in the Laplace Equation. Finding the resultant pressure field as a constraint from the Euler equation.
- 8.3 The complex Potential *W* and the Cauchy-Riemann conditions.
- 8.4 Simple potential flow solutions to common geometries; the point source, point sink, the dipole,
- 8.5 Constructing more complex solutions by combining known solutions to simpler problems

<u>Reading</u>: Kundu; Chapter 6 Sections 1-10.

Problems: Kundu, end of chapter 6; questions 6.1, 6.4, 6.8.