

3.44 Consider uniform flow past a cylinder with a V-shaped wake, as shown. Pressures at (1) and (2) are equal. Let b be the width into the paper. Find a formula for the force F on the cylinder due to the flow. Also compute $C_D = F/(\rho U^2 L b)$.

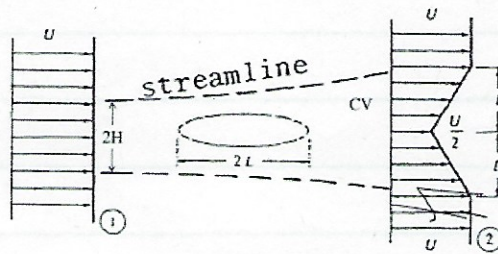


Fig. P3.44

Conservation of mass:

$$0 = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \, dV + \int_{CS} \rho \underline{V} \cdot \underline{n} \, dA$$

Steady flow, fixed CV

$$0 = \int_{CS} \rho \underline{V} \cdot \underline{n} \, dA$$

$$0 = - \int_1 \rho u \, dA + \int_2 \rho u \, dA$$

$$= -\rho U 2Hb + 2\rho b \int_0^L \frac{U}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{L}\right) dy$$

$$= -\rho U 2Hb + 2\rho b \left[\frac{U}{2} y + \frac{U}{4L} y^2 \right]_0^L$$

$$\rho U 2Hb = \frac{3}{2} \rho U b L$$

$$H = \frac{3}{4} L$$

$$2\rho b \left(\frac{UL}{2} + \frac{UL}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{2} \rho U b L$$

Conservation momentum:

$$\Sigma \underline{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \int_{CV} \rho \underline{v} dV + \int_{CS} \rho \underline{v} \underline{v}_k \cdot \underline{n} dA$$

Steady flow, fixed CV, $F_{\text{drag}} =$ drag force on cylinder

$$p = p_a \Rightarrow \Delta p \text{ force} = 0 = \rho U^2 L S C_D$$
$$C_D = \frac{F_{\text{drag}}}{\rho U^2 L S}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = -F_{\text{drag}} = - \int_1 \rho u^2 dA + \int_2 \rho u^2 dA$$

$$= -\rho U^2 2H S + 2\rho \int_0^L \left[\frac{U}{2} \left(1 + \frac{y}{L} \right) \right]^2 dy S$$

$$2\rho S \int_0^L \frac{U^2}{4} \left(1 + \frac{2y}{L} + \frac{y^2}{L^2} \right) dy = 2\rho S \left[\frac{U^2}{4} \left(y + \frac{y^2}{L} + \frac{y^3}{3L^2} \right) \right]_0^L$$

$$= 2\rho S \left[\frac{U^2}{4} \left(L + L + \frac{L}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$= 2\rho S \frac{U^2}{4} \left(\frac{7L}{3} \right)$$

$$= \frac{7}{6} \rho S U^2 L$$

$$-F_{\text{drag}} = -\rho U^2 2H S + \frac{7}{6} \rho S U^2 L$$

$$= -\rho U^2 2 \left(\frac{3L}{4} \right) S + \frac{7}{6} \rho S U^2 L$$

$$= \rho U^2 L S \left[-\frac{3}{2} + \frac{7}{6} \right] = \rho U^2 L S \left(-\frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$\frac{F_{\text{drag}}}{\rho U^2 L S} = C_D = \frac{1}{3}$$