

Given: Experimentally measured velocity profile for flow over a cylinder. Pressures are uniform and equal.

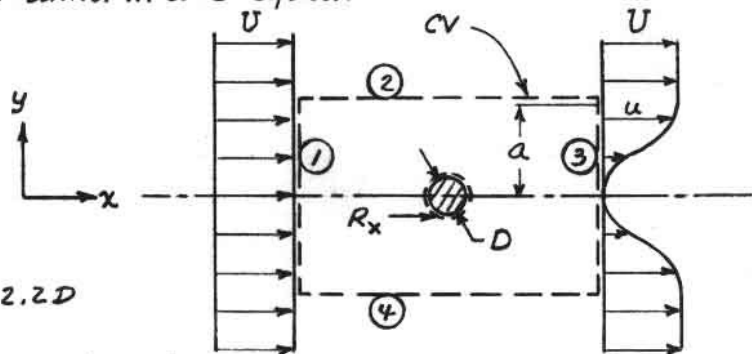
$$U = 50 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\rho = 1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$D = 30 \text{ mm}$$

$$u = U \sin\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right); 0 \leq |y| \leq a$$

$$u = U \quad y > a; a = 2.2D$$



Find: Drag force on cylinder per unit width.

Solution: Apply continuity and x component of momentum using CV shown.

$$\text{Basic equations: } 0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$F_{sx} + F_{bx} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{CV} \rho u dV + \int_{CS} \rho u \vec{V} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

Assumptions: (1) Steady flow

(2) No net pressure force; $F_{sx} = R_x$

(3) $F_{bx} = 0$

(4) Uniform flow at inlet section ①

(5) Incompressible flow

(6) $u = U$ at sections ② and ④

From continuity

$$0 = \{-\rho U w 2a\} + \dot{m}_2 + \{2 \int_0^a \rho u w dy\} + \dot{m}_4; \dot{m}_{2+4} = 2 \int_0^a \rho (U - u) w dy$$

From momentum

$$R_x = U \{-\rho U w 2a\} + U \dot{m}_2 + 2 \int_0^a \rho u^2 w dy + U \dot{m}_4$$

$$= U \dot{m}_{2+4} + 2 \int_0^a \rho (u^2 - U^2) w dy = 2 \int_0^a \rho [U(U - u) + u^2 - U^2] w dy$$

$$R_x = 2 \int_0^a \rho u (u - U) w dy \quad (R_x \text{ is force of cylinder on CV})$$

$$F_D = -R_x = 2 \int_0^a \rho u (U - u) w dy = 2 \rho w U^2 \int_0^a \frac{u}{U} \left(1 - \frac{u}{U}\right) dy; \frac{u}{U} = \sin\left(\frac{\pi y}{2a}\right)$$

$$\frac{F_D}{w} = 2 \rho U^2 \left(\frac{2a}{\pi}\right) \int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta) d\theta = \frac{4}{\pi} \rho U^2 a \left[-\cos \theta - \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{\sin 2\theta}{4}\right]_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{4}{\pi} \rho U^2 a \left[1 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right]$$

$$\frac{F_D}{w} = \frac{4}{\pi} \times 1.20 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \times (50)^2 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} \times (2.2) 0.03 \text{ m} \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \times \frac{\text{N} \cdot \text{s}^2}{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}} = 54.1 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\frac{F_D}{w}$$

{ Plus sign means force on cylinder acts to right. }