

2q. Liquid Jets¹

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2q-1. Circular Jet. We first deal with the laminar flow due to a circular jet of viscous fluid issuing from a point orifice into a space filled with the same fluid.

Symbols

- J momentum crossing a plane normal to the axis of the jet per second
 u, v x, y components, respectively, of fluid velocity in the jet
 x distance parallel to the axis of the jet
 y distance perpendicular to the axis of the jet
 ρ fluid density
 ν kinematic viscosity of the fluid

The flow-velocity components in the jet are given by the following formulas due to Schlichting:²

$$u = \frac{3}{8\pi} \frac{K}{\nu x} \frac{1}{(1 + \epsilon^2/4)^2} \quad (2q-1)$$
$$v = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{3K}{\pi}} \frac{1}{x} \frac{\epsilon(1 - \epsilon^2/4)}{(1 + \epsilon^2/4)^2}$$

where

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{3K}{\pi}} \frac{1}{\nu} \frac{y}{x} \quad (2q-2)$$
$$K = \frac{J}{\rho}$$

The formulas (2q-1) have been checked experimentally by Andrade and Tsien,³ who found good agreement between the theory and experimental results for a jet of finite radius a at a distance of 8 jet diameters or more from the orifice, provided the x in (2q-1) is given by

$$x = x_0 + 0.16u_0 \frac{a^2}{\nu} \quad (2q-3)$$

where x_0 is the actual distance to the real orifice, and x may be interpreted as the distance to an effective point orifice upstream from the real one.

Figure 2q-1 shows a family of streamlines for a circular jet from a point orifice plotted from Eqs. (2q-1). (For reasons of clarity the figure is expanded in the y direction.) Typical velocity profiles (plots of u vs. y) are also given for two distances x from the orifice.

¹ For a general reference see H. Schlichting, "Boundary Layer Theory," 6th ed., translated by J. Kestin, McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York, 1968.

² H. Schlichting, *Z. angew. Math. Mech.* **13**, 260 (1933).

³ E. N. da C. Andrade and L. C. Tsien, *Proc. Phys. Soc. (London)* **49**, 381 (1937).

2q-2. Plane Jet. Laminar flow due to a *plane* jet of viscous fluid issuing from a line orifice into a space filled with the same fluid is described by the following formulas:

$$\begin{aligned}
 u &= 0.4543 \left(\frac{K^2}{\nu x} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \operatorname{sech}^2 \epsilon \\
 v &= 0.5503 \left(\frac{K\nu}{x^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (2\epsilon \operatorname{sech}^2 \epsilon - \tanh \epsilon)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2q-4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \epsilon &= 0.2751 \left(\frac{K}{\nu^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} yx^{-1} \\
 K &= \frac{J}{\rho}
 \end{aligned}$$

Here x is distance from the line source, measured parallel to the plane of symmetry

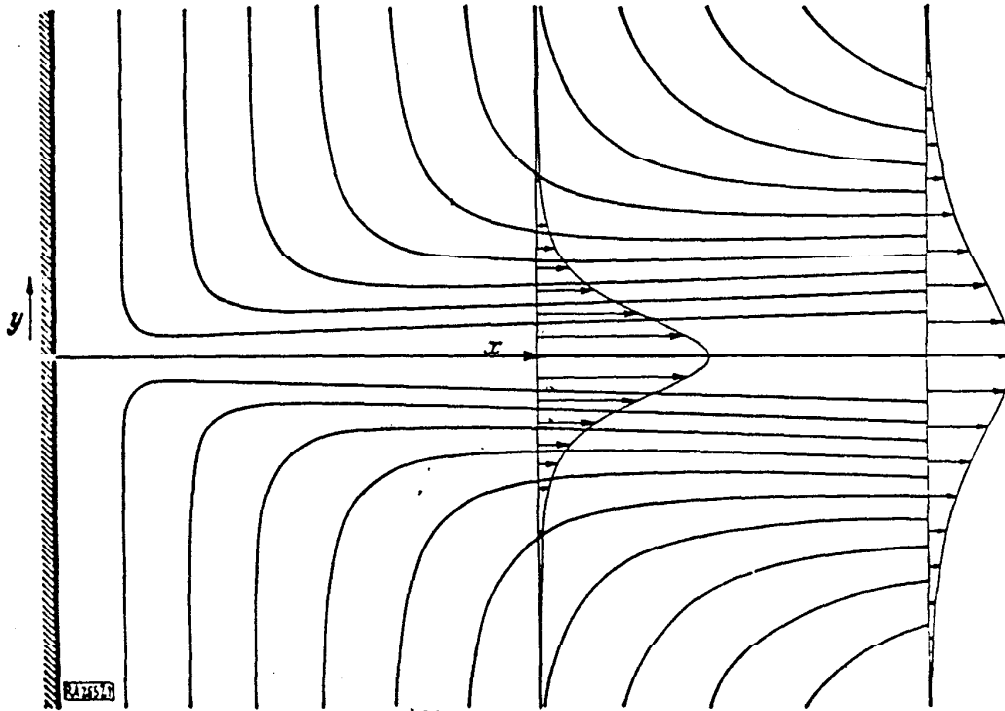


FIG. 2q-1. Streamlines for a circular jet from a point orifice.

of the jet, and y is measured normal to this plane; all other symbols have meanings analogous to those used in Eqs. (2q-1). This theoretical result due to Bickley¹ has been checked experimentally by Andrade² and found to be valid for jets from slits of finite width w , provided that x in Bickley's formula is given by

$$x = x_0 + \frac{0.65Kw}{\nu}
 \tag{2q-5}$$

¹ W. G. Bickley, *Phil. Mag.* **23**, 727 (1937).

² E. N. da C. Andrade, *Proc. Phys. Soc. (London)* **51**, 784 (1939).