List of symbols

A area

- a area (relatively small), velocity of sound
- *B* width of channel
- b width, thickness
- C coefficient of discharge
- $C_{\rm c}$ coefficient of contraction
- C_D drag coefficient
- C_f frictional drag coefficient
- \vec{C}_L lift coefficient
- C_M moment coefficient
- $C_{\rm v}$ coefficient of velocity
- c integration constant, coefficient of Pitot tube, flow velocity coefficient
- c_p specific heat at constant pressure
- c_v specific heat at constant volume
- D diameter, drag
- D_f friction drag
- D_p pressure drag, form drag
- d diameter
- *E* specific energy
- e internal energy
- F force
- F_r Froude number
- f coefficient of friction
- g gravitational acceleration
- H head
- h head, clearance, loss of head, depth, enthalpy
- I geometrical moment of inertia
- i slope
- J moment of inertia
- K bulk modulus
- k interference factor
- k_d cavitation number
- L length, power, lift

- *l* length, mixing length
- M mass, Mach number
- *m* mass flow rate, mass (relatively small), strength of doublet, hydraulic mean depth
- *n* polytropic exponent
- P total pressure
- p pressure
- p_0 stagnation pressure, total pressure, atmospheric pressure
- $p_{\rm s}$ static pressure
- $p_{\rm t}$ total pressure
- p_{∞} pressure unaffected by body, static pressure
- Q volumetric flow rate
- q discharge quantity per unit time, quantity of heat per unit mass
- R gas constant
- Re Reynolds number
- r radius (at any position)
- r_0 radius
- s specific gravity, entropy, wetted perimeter
- T tension, absolute temperature, torque, thrust, period
- t time
- U velocity unaffected by body
- u velocity (x-direction), peripheral velocity
- V volume
- v specific volume, mean velocity, velocity (y-direction), absolute velocity
- v_* friction velocity
- W weight
- w velocity (z-direction), relative velocity
- w(z) complex potential
- α acceleration, angle, coefficient of discharge
- β compressibility
- Γ circulation, strength of vortex
- γ specific weight
- δ boundary layer thickness
- δ^* displacement thickness
- ζ vorticity
- η efficiency
- θ angle, momentum thickness
- κ ratio of specific heat
- λ friction coefficient of pipe μ
- μ coefficient of viscosity, dynamic viscosity
- v kinematic viscosity, angle
- ρ velocity potential
- τ shear stress
- ϕ angle, velocity potential
- ψ stream function
- ω angular velocity