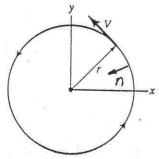
3.14 Water in a container and air in a tornado flow in horizontal circular streamlines of radius r and speed V as shown in Video V3.6 and Fig. P3.14. Determine the radial pressure gradient, $\partial p/\partial r$, needed for the following situations: (a) The fluid is water with r=3 in. and V=0.8 ft/s. (b) The fluid is air with r=300 ft and V=200 mph.



■ FIGURE P3.14

For curved streamlines,
$$-\frac{d\rho}{dn} = \frac{\rho V^2}{R} + 8 \frac{dz}{dn}, \text{ or with } \frac{dz}{dn} = 0 \text{ (horizontal streamlines)}, R = r,$$
and $\frac{d}{dn} = -\frac{d}{dr}$ this becomes
$$\frac{d\rho}{dr} = \frac{\rho V^2}{r}$$

a) With
$$r = \frac{3}{12}$$
 ft and $V = 0.8 \frac{ft}{s}$ and water $(\rho = 1.94 \frac{slvgs}{ft^3})$, $\frac{d\rho}{dr} = \frac{1.94 \frac{slvgs}{ft^3} (0.8 \frac{ft}{s})^2}{(\frac{3}{12} \text{ ft})} = 4.97 \frac{slvgs}{ft^2 \cdot s^2} = 4.97 \frac{lb}{ft^3}$

(b) With
$$r = 300 ft$$
 and $V = 200 mph \left(\frac{88 \frac{ft}{s}}{60 mph}\right) = 293 \frac{ft}{s}$
and air $\left(\rho = 0.00238 \frac{slvgs}{ft^3}\right)$,
$$\frac{d\rho}{dr} = \frac{0.00238 \frac{slvgs}{ft^3} \left(293 \frac{ft}{s}\right)^2}{300 ft} = 0.681 \frac{slvgs}{ft^3} = 0.681 \frac{lb}{ft^3}$$