## MIT Department of Mechanical Engineering 2.25 Advanced Fluid Mechanics

## Problem 5.18

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A flat plate is hinged at one side to the floor, as shown, and held at a small angle  $\theta_0$  ( $\theta_0 \ll 1$ ) relative to the floor. The entire system is submerged in a liquid of density  $\rho$ . At t = 0, a vertical force is applied and adjusted continually so that it produces a constant rate of decrease of the plate angle  $\theta$ .

$$-\frac{d\theta}{dt} = \omega = Const, \tag{5.18a}$$

Assuming that the flow is incompressible and inviscid,

- (a) Derive an expression for the velocity u(x,t) at point x and time t.
- (b) Find the horizontal force F(t) exerted by the hinge on the floor (assume the plate has negligible mass).

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