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LIST OF SYMBOLS

Symbol	Definition
ρ	density
k	thermal conductivity
C_p	specific heat of the plate
ζ	vorticity
ν	kinematic viscosity
ε	relative tolerance