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Module Name: Fluid Mechanics

[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions. Each question carries TEN marks]

All standard notations denote their usual meanings.

Q1.

- a) State the conditions under which the following equations are applicable to pipe flow.

(i)
$$\frac{u}{U_{max}} = \frac{y}{r_o} \left(2 - \frac{y}{r_o} \right)$$

(ii)
$$\frac{U_{max}-u}{u_*} = -5.75 \log \frac{y}{r_o}$$

[2.0 Marks]

- b) A liquid of density 750 kg/m^3 and kinematic viscosity $2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ flows in a pipe of diameter 200 mm . The velocity measured at distances of 30 mm and 100 mm from the pipe wall are 4.15 m/s and 4.75 m/s , respectively.

- (i) Select the appropriate equation from part (a) and draw the velocity distribution giving the velocity at 10 mm from the pipe wall.

[5.0 Marks]

- (ii) Making suitable assumptions, find the shear stress at the pipe wall, Reynolds number, and the friction coefficient.

[3.0 Marks]

- Q2. A large closed tank A contains air under a pressure of 17 kPa and an oil of density 825 kg/m^3 and kinematic viscosity $4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$. The oil is pumped from closed tank A to an open tank B through a horizontal pipe AB of diameter 150 mm , surface roughness 0.3 mm and length 72 m . A pump 'P' of efficiency 65% is located at $AP = 24 \text{ m}$ and a valve 'K' of loss coefficient 3.5 is fitted at $AK = 48 \text{ m}$. The pipe entry and pipe exit are sharp and the oil surface elevation in tanks A and B are equal (Figure Q2a).

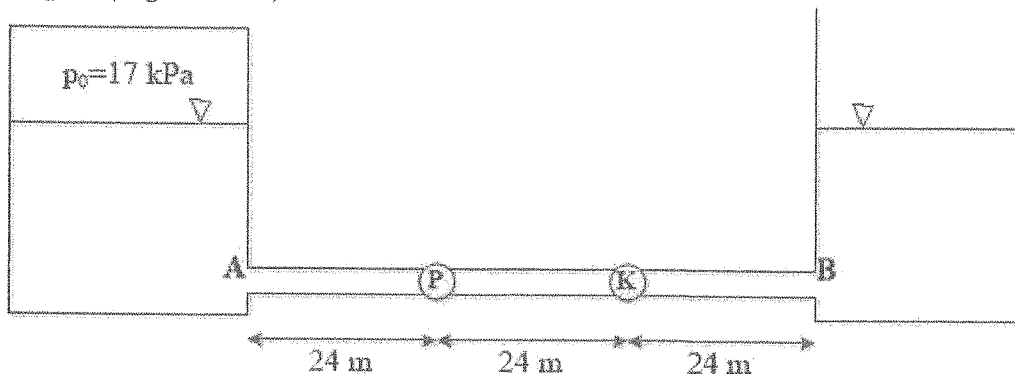


Figure Q2a

- (i) Using the Moody diagram (Figure Q2b in Page 4) find the power required to deliver 70 l/s from A to B.

[8.0 Marks]

- (ii) Draw the total headline indicating all changes in head.

[2.0 Marks]

Q3. The pressure drop ΔP across a gate valve controlling an oil flow in a pipe depends on the gate opening h , pipe diameter d , fluid density ρ , viscosity μ , and velocity v .

- a) Obtain by dimensional analysis that

$$\frac{\Delta P}{\rho v^2} = \Phi \left(\frac{h}{d}, \frac{\rho v d}{\mu} \right)$$

[4.0 Marks]

- b) A $\frac{1}{4}$ scale model of a gate valve is built to test the pressure drop across a gate valve in a pipe conveying oil of density 800 kg/m^3 and viscosity 0.002 Pa s at 100 l/s .

- (i) What should be the volume flow rate of water ($\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa s}$) in the model corresponding to the same gate opening ratio (h/d) for dynamic similarity.

[3.0 Marks]

- (ii) Find the pressure drop across the prototype valve when the pressure drop in the model is 48 kPa .

[3.0 Marks]

Q4. A 2D water flow is defined by the stream function $\Psi = 2(x^2 - y^2) \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$.

- a) Determine the flow per unit depth in m^2/s that occurs through AB, CB, and AC as shown in Figure Q4.

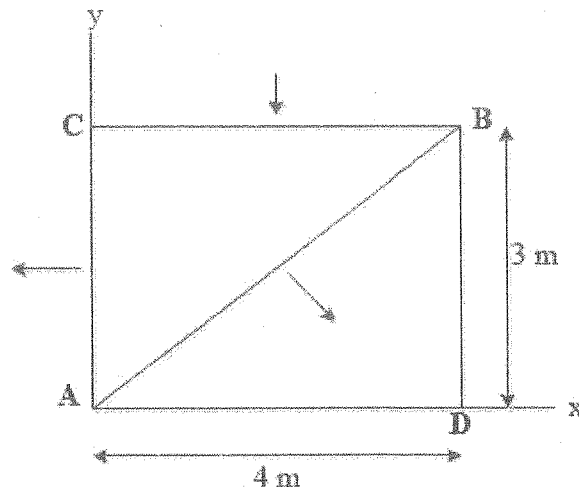


Figure Q4

[3.0 Marks]

- b) Show that it is a potential flow and find the potential function.

[4.0 Marks]

- c) If the pressure at B is atmospheric, determine the pressure at point A. [3.0 Marks]

Q5. An incompressible viscous fluid of kinematic viscosity $\nu = 1.02 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ and density $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ flows over a smooth rectangular plate of span 2 m and streamwise length 1 m with a constant free-stream velocity. Assume that the boundary layer is entirely laminar with an approximate velocity profile given by

$$\frac{u}{U_\infty} = \frac{3y}{2\delta} - \left(\frac{y}{\delta}\right)^3.$$

- a) Calculate the ratio of momentum thickness (θ) to the boundary layer thickness (δ). [2.0 Marks]

- b) Show that the boundary layer grows proportionally to the square root of the distance from the leading edge of the plate. [4.0 Marks]

- c) If the viscous shear stress on the plate at a location of 1 m downstream of the leading edge, measured by a sensor is 0.01 N/m^2 , calculate the free-stream velocity. [2.0 Marks]

- d) Calculate the drag force on the plate due to viscous shear. [2.0 Marks]

Q6. A pump is required to raise water from a sump to a channel which is located at a vertical height of 10 m from the sump level. The combined length of suction and delivery pipe is 30 m and 0.1 m in diameter and has a friction factor 0.018 . Minor losses in the system can be accommodated by a loss coefficient $K = 12$. Pump characteristics at a rotation speed of 1200 rpm are given in Figure Q6 (Page 5). Flow number, head number, and power number are $\frac{Q}{ND^3}$, $\frac{gh}{N^2D^2}$, $\frac{P}{\rho N^3D^5}$ respectively with usual notations.

- a) Find the system characteristic giving numerical values. [3.0 Marks]

- b) Find the discharge and power consumption of the pump at the duty point [3.0 Marks]

- c) Due to a rearrangement, the delivery point is changed by a vertical height of 10 m and the delivery pipe is lengthened by the same amount. If the same discharge is to be maintained, find the new rotation rate of the pump. [4.0 Marks]

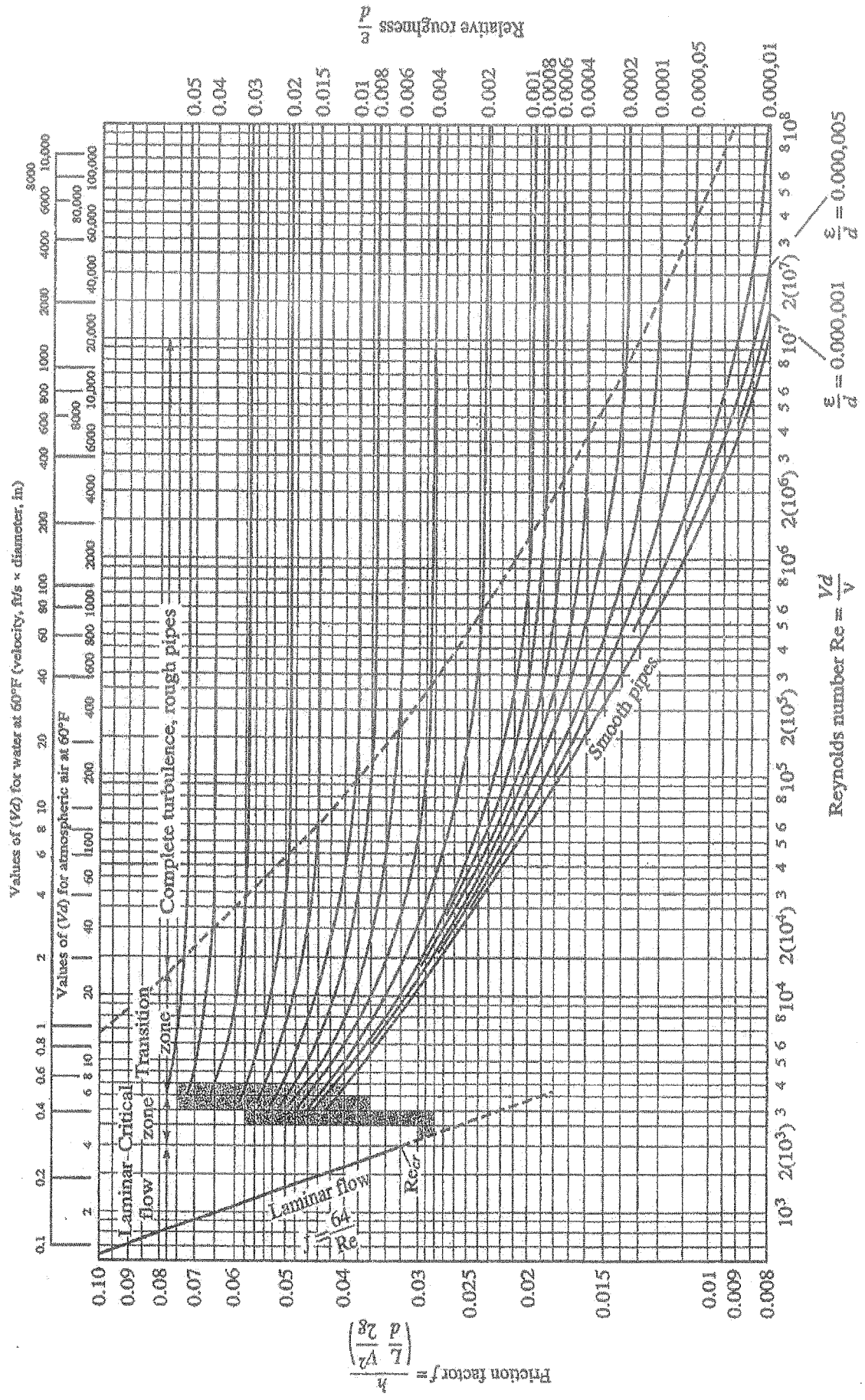


Figure Q2b: Moody diagram

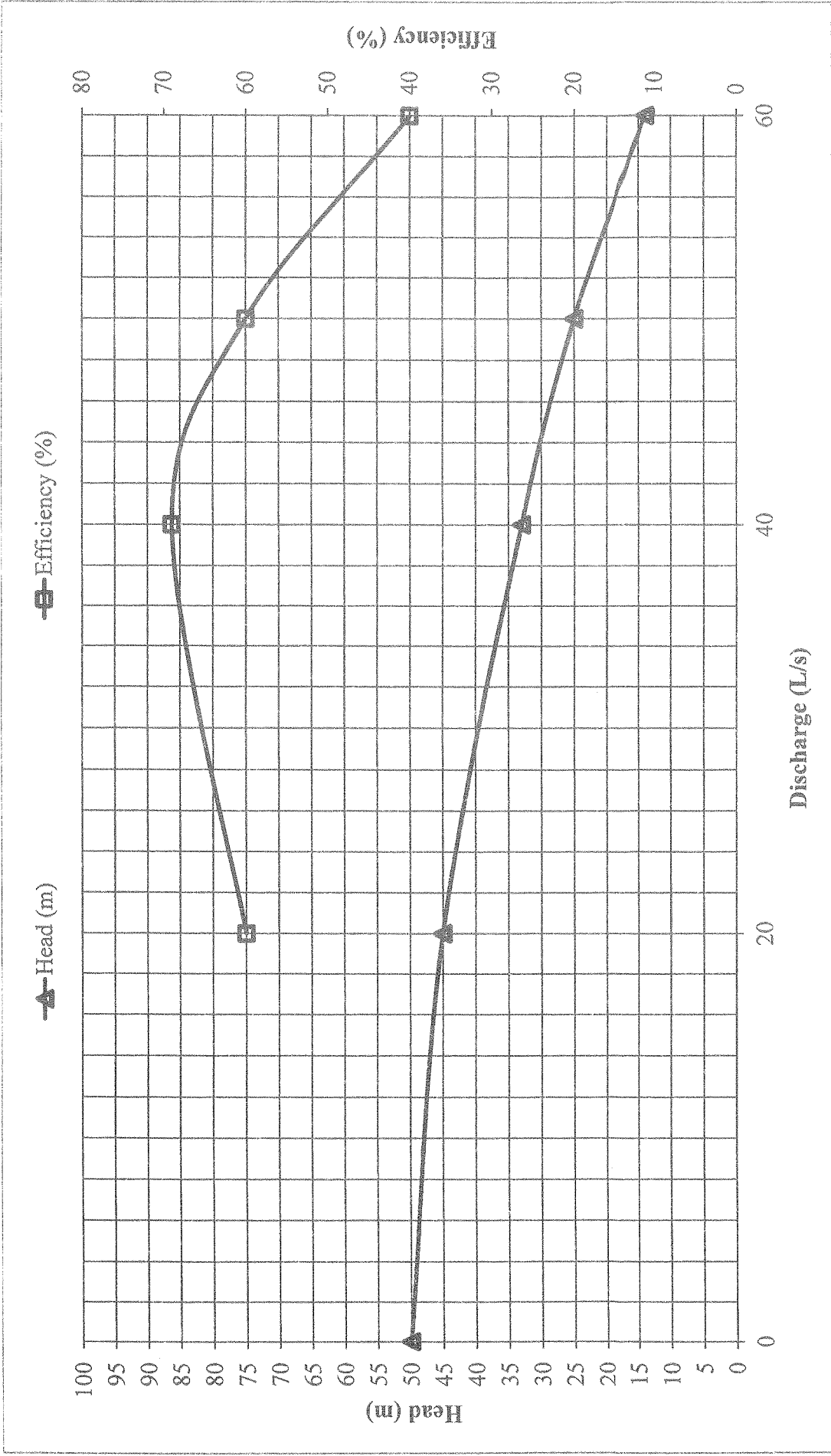


Figure Q6