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Module Name: Fluid Mechanics (C-18)

[Three Hours]

[Answer all questions. Each question carries FIFTEEN marks]

All standard notations denote their usual meanings.

Q1. a) State the conditions under which the following equations are applicable to pipe flow.

$$(i) \quad \frac{u}{u_{max}} = \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2}\right)$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{U_{max}-u}{u_*} = -2.5 \ln\left(\frac{y}{r_o}\right)$$

[2 Marks]

b) A liquid of density  $750 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and kinematic viscosity  $2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  flows in a pipe of inner diameter  $1 \text{ cm}$ . The velocity at the centreline of the pipe is measured to be  $3 \text{ m/s}$ . Select the appropriate equation from part (a) and determine volume flow rate through the pipe and the shear stress at the pipe wall.

[8 Marks]

c) Considering the velocity expression for  $u$  and  $v = 0$ , generate an expression for stream function  $\Psi$  along the vertical dashed line in Figure Q1. Consider  $\Psi = 0$  along the bottom wall. What is the value of  $\Psi$  along the top wall? Compare and discuss your result to that obtained in part (b).

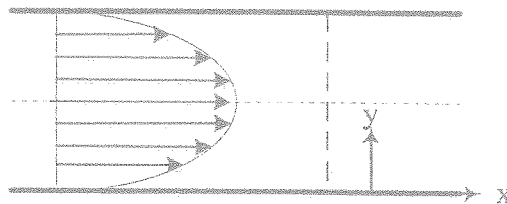


Figure Q1

[5 Marks]

Q2. a) Water (kinematic viscosity  $=10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ) is delivered through a pipe from an upper reservoir (A) to a lower reservoir (B) having water surface elevations of  $40 \text{ m}$  and  $35 \text{ m}$ , respectively. The pipe has a length of  $3900 \text{ m}$  and a diameter of  $0.3 \text{ m}$  with an absolute roughness of  $0.26 \text{ mm}$ . Find the flow rate in the pipeline. You may use the Moody diagram given in Page 3.

[4 Marks]

b) If the flow rate has to be increased to  $0.1 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ , calculate the head added to water by a pump attached to the system in (a).

[3 Marks]

- c) The pump characteristic curve is given in Figure Q2 for the pump operating at 1200 rpm.
- Derive an expression for system characteristic curve and plot it in Figure Q2 (Page 4).
  - Find the operating speed of the pump added to the pipeline system for the flowrate of  $0.1 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ .

Detach page 4 of the question paper and attach it to the answer script.

[8 Marks]

Flow number, head number, and power number are  $Q/ND^3$ ,  $gH/N^2D^2$ , and  $P/\rho N^3D^5$ , respectively.

Q3. A 0.5 m diameter bridge pier is subjected to the uniform flow of water at 4 m/s. Using the potential flow theory:

- Describe how you can model the flow field around the bridge pier. [2 Marks]
- Derive the stream function representing the flow field around the bridge pier. [5 Marks]
- Determine the pressure distribution around the bridge pier. [5 Marks]
- Determine the maximum and minimum pressures exerted on the pier at a depth of 2 m. [3 Marks]

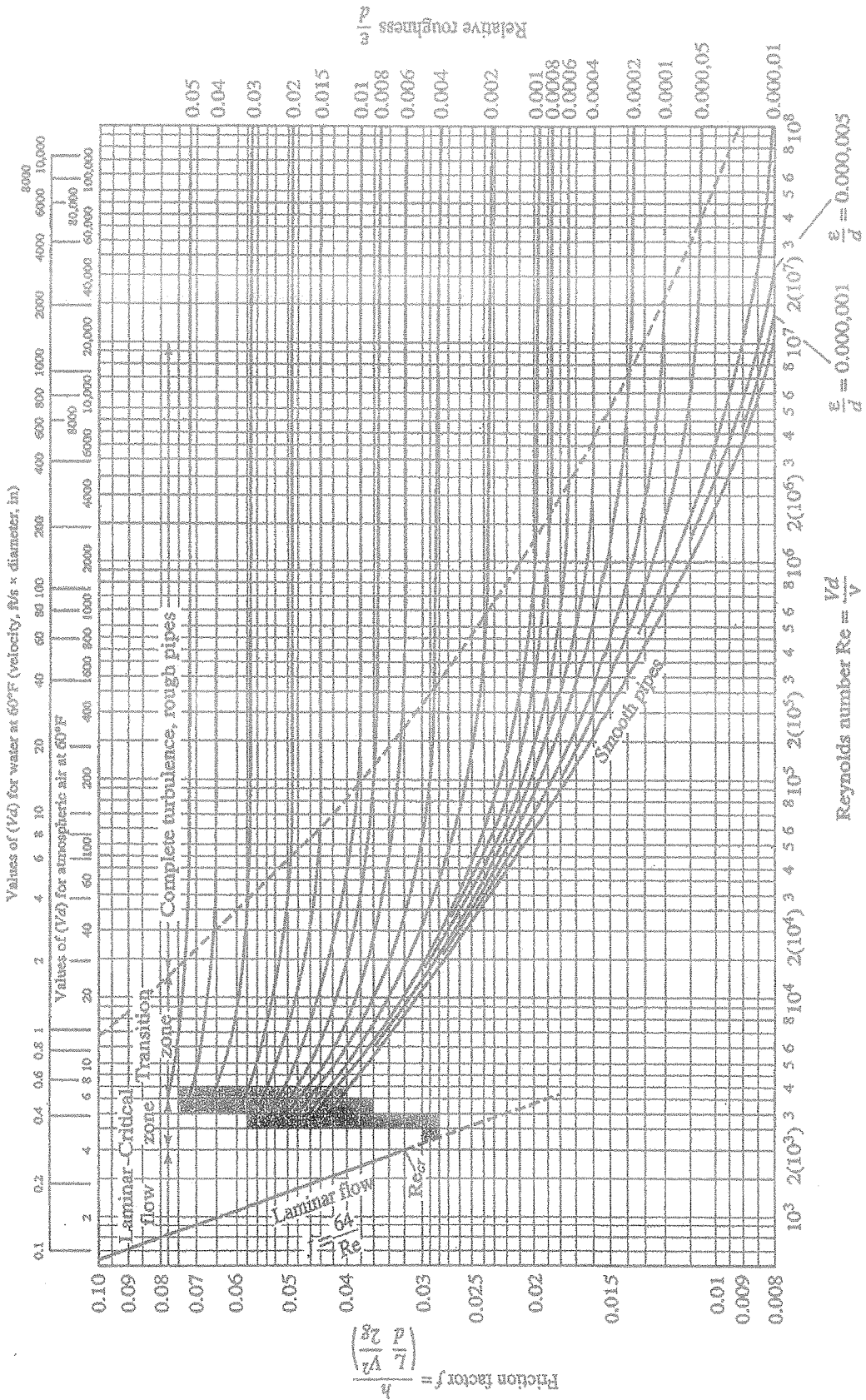
Stream function of a doublet can be represented as  $\psi = -\frac{\mu}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\sin\theta}{r} \right)$

Q4. a) Consider steady flow over a thin flat plate. The boundary layer thickness  $\delta$  at any downstream distance  $x$  is a function of  $x$ , free-stream velocity ( $U$ ), and fluid properties density ( $\rho$ ), and viscosity ( $\mu$ ). Use dimensional analysis to derive a functional relationship for  $\delta$ .

[3 Marks]

- Air of density  $1.2 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and kinematic viscosity  $14.5 \text{ mm}^2/\text{s}$  flows at  $29 \text{ m/s}$  past a  $3 \text{ m}$  long flat plate. At a distance of  $0.5 \text{ m}$  from the leading edge, a fine trip wire attached to the flat plate perpendicular to the flow induces abrupt transition in the boundary layer at that position and also there is a 15% increase in the momentum thickness. Assuming steady two-dimensional flow at constant pressure, calculate the drag force on the plate due to viscous shear. For the laminar boundary layer,  $\theta = \frac{0.664x}{\sqrt{Re_x}}$  and for the turbulent boundary layer,  $\theta = \frac{0.037x}{(Re_x)^{1/5}}$ .

[ 12 Marks]



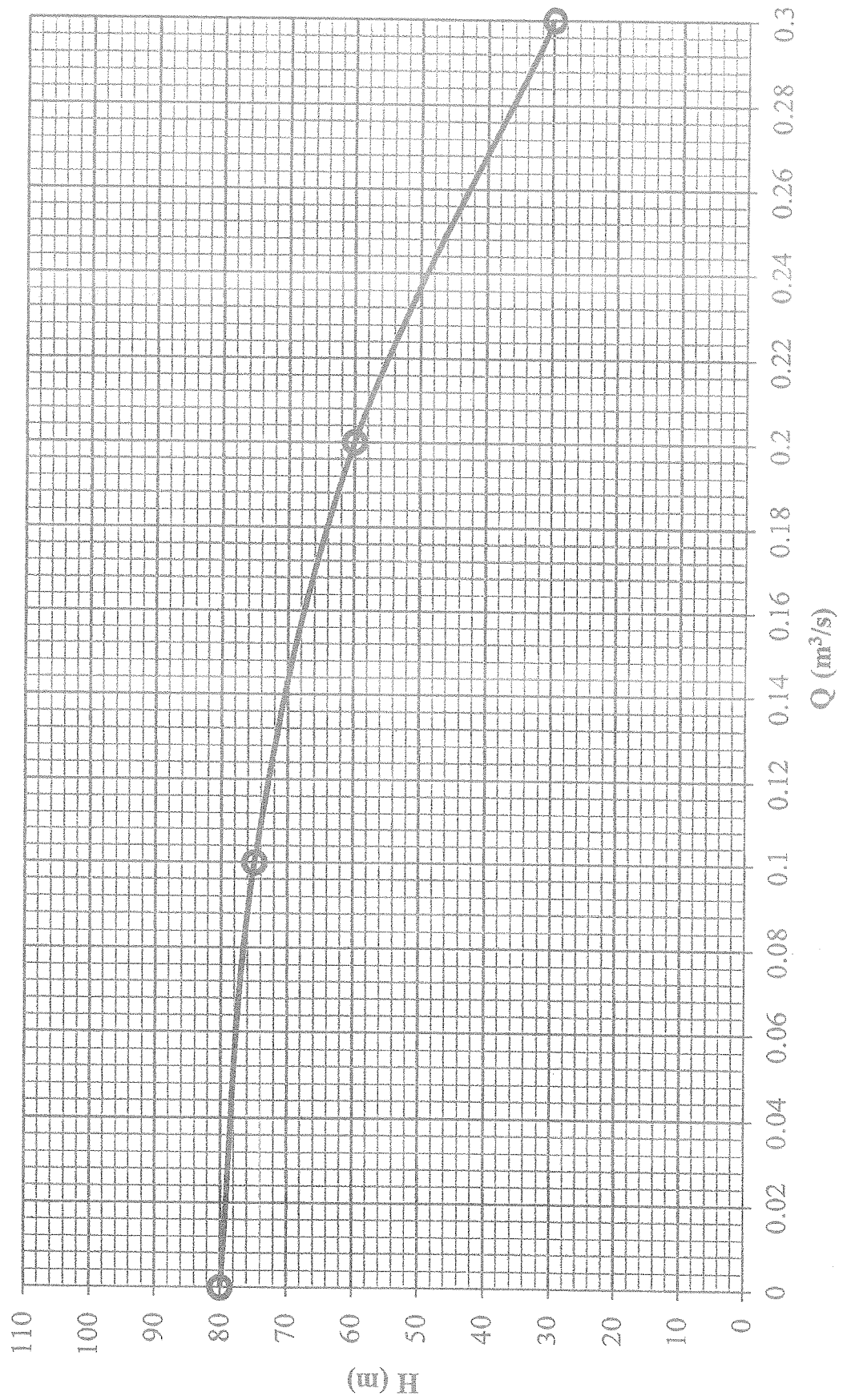


Figure Q2