

**Subject Name & Code:**

## **FLUID MECHANICS - BE04000161**

**(Disclaimer:** The purpose of these AI-generated responses is just education and reference. Utilise them to grasp topics and structure, but always rewrite in your own words and double-check the content before submitting.)

### **Assignment – 3**

**Q-1: Reynolds Number & Flow Regime: Jatropha oil (Specific Gravity = 0.92, dynamic viscosity = 0.035 Pa.s) flows through a 50 mm diameter pipe. Calculate the maximum volumetric flow rate (Q) for which the flow will remain strictly laminar (Assume critical Reynolds number  $Re = 2000$ ).**

**Answer:**

**Given:**

$$SG = 0.92 \rightarrow \rho = 920 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\mu = 0.035 \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$D = 50 \text{ mm} = 0.05 \text{ m}$$

$$Re_{crit} = 2000$$

**To Find:** Max volumetric flow rate  $Q$  for laminar flow

**Formula:**

$$Re = \frac{\rho V D}{\mu} = 2000 \rightarrow V = \frac{2000}{\rho D}$$

$$Q = V \times \frac{\pi D^2}{4}$$

**Solution:**

$$V = \frac{2000 \times 0.035}{920 \times 0.05} = \frac{70}{46} = 1.5217 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Q = 1.5217 \times \frac{\pi(0.05)^2}{4} = 1.5217 \times 0.0019635 = 0.002988 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$Q \approx 2.99 \text{ lps}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$Q_{max} = 0.00299 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \approx 3 \text{ lps}$$

**Q-2: Hagen-Poiseuille Flow: For the laminar flow of the Jatropha oil calculated in Question 1, determine the pressure drop over a 15 m length of the horizontal pipe. Also, calculate the maximum velocity and the shear stress at the pipe wall.**

**Answer:**

**Given:**

From Q1:  $Q = 0.002988 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$

$$D = 0.05 \text{ m}$$

$$L = 15 \text{ mm} = 0.015 \text{ m}$$

$$\mu = 0.035 \text{ Pa} \cdot \text{s}$$

$$\rho = 920 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

**To Find:**  $\Delta P$ , max velocity  $u_{max}$ , wall shear stress  $\tau_w$

**Solution:**

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{0.002988}{0.0019635} = 1.5217 \text{ m/s (same as above)}$$

$$\Delta P = \frac{128\mu LQ}{\pi D^4} = \frac{128 \times 0.035 \times 0.015 \times 0.002988}{\pi \times (0.05)^4}$$

$$\text{Num} = 128 \times 0.035 \times 0.015 \times 0.002988 = 128 \times 1.5687 \times 10^{-6} = 0.0002008$$

$$\text{Denom} = \pi \times 6.25 \times 10^{-6} = 1.9635 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\Delta P = \frac{0.0002008}{1.9635 \times 10^{-5}} = 10.23 \text{ Pa}$$

$$u_{max} = 2V = 3.0434 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\tau_w = \frac{\Delta P \cdot D}{4L} = \frac{10.23 \times 0.05}{4 \times 0.015} = \frac{0.5115}{0.06} = 8.525 \text{ Pa}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$\Delta P = 10.23 \text{ Pa}, u_{max} = 3.04 \text{ m/s}, \tau_w = 8.53 \text{ Pa}$$

**Q-3: Darcy-Weisbach & Friction:** Water flows through a rough pipe of diameter 400 mm and length 2500 m at a rate of 0.4 m<sup>3</sup>/s. If the kinematic viscosity of water is  $1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  and the absolute roughness is 0.05 mm, use the Moody diagram concept (or Colebrook equation) to find the friction factor and subsequently calculate the major head loss.

**Answer:**

**Given:**

$$D = 0.4 \text{ m}, L = 2500 \text{ m}$$

$$Q = 0.4 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

$$\nu = 1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\text{Absolute roughness } \varepsilon = 0.05 \text{ mm} = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}$$

**To Find:** Friction factor  $f$ , major head loss  $h_f$

**Solution:**

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{0.4}{\pi/4 \times (0.4)^2} = \frac{0.4}{0.12566} = 3.183 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Re = \frac{VD}{\nu} = \frac{3.183 \times 0.4}{1 \times 10^{-6}} = 1.273 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{Relative roughness } \varepsilon/D = \frac{5 \times 10^{-5}}{0.4} = 1.25 \times 10^{-4}$$

From Moody chart for  $Re = 1.27 \times 10^6$ ,  $\varepsilon/D = 0.000125$ :

$f \approx 0.014$  (smooth pipe zone?) Check Colebrook: For such low roughness,  $f$  close to smooth pipe:  $f = 0.012$  to  $0.014$ . Let's take  $f = 0.013$ .

$$\begin{aligned} h_f &= f \frac{L V^2}{D 2g} = 0.013 \times \frac{2500}{0.4} \times \frac{(3.183)^2}{2 \times 9.81} \\ &= 0.013 \times 6250 \times \frac{10.13}{19.62} = 0.013 \times 6250 \times 0.5165 \\ &= 0.013 \times 3228 = 41.96 \text{ m of water} \end{aligned}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$f \approx 0.013, h_f \approx 42.0 \text{ m}$$

**Q-4: Minor Losses: An engine cooling system features a sudden expansion in a pipe from 50 mm to 100 mm diameter. If the flow rate of the coolant is 12 lps, calculate the head loss due to the sudden expansion.**

**Answer:**

**Given:**

$$D_1 = 50 \text{ mm} = 0.05 \text{ m}$$

$$D_2 = 100 \text{ mm} = 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$Q = 12 \text{ lps} = 0.012 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

Water:  $\rho = 1000$

**To Find:** Head loss  $h_L$

**Formula:**

$$h_L = \frac{(V_1 - V_2)^2}{2g} \text{ or } h_L = K \frac{V_1^2}{2g} \text{ with } K = \left(1 - \frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^2$$

**Solution:**

$$A_1 = 0.0019635 \text{ m}^2, A_2 = 0.007854 \text{ m}^2$$

$$V_1 = 0.012/0.0019635 = 6.112 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V_2 = 0.012/0.007854 = 1.528 \text{ m/s}$$

$$h_L = \frac{(6.112 - 1.528)^2}{2 \times 9.81} = \frac{(4.584)^2}{19.62} = \frac{21.01}{19.62} = 1.071 \text{ m}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$h_L = 1.07 \text{ m}$$

**Q-5: Pipes in Series & Parallel: Two pipes of lengths 1000 m and 800 m, and diameters 300 mm and 200 mm respectively, are connected in series. Find the diameter of an equivalent pipe of length 1800 m that will carry the same discharge for the same total head loss.**

**Answer:**

**Given:**

Pipe 1:  $L_1 = 1000 \text{ m}$ ,  $D_1 = 0.3 \text{ m}$

Pipe 2:  $L_2 = 800 \text{ m}$ ,  $D_2 = 0.2 \text{ m}$

Series connection.

Equivalent pipe:  $L_e = 1800 \text{ m}$ , find  $D_e$

**Formula (Darcy-Weisbach, same  $f$  for all pipes):**

$$h_f = h_{f1} + h_{f2} \rightarrow \frac{fL_e Q^2}{12.1D_e^5} = \frac{fL_1 Q^2}{12.1D_1^5} + \frac{fL_2 Q^2}{12.1D_2^5}$$

Cancel common terms:

$$\frac{L_e}{D_e^5} = \frac{L_1}{D_1^5} + \frac{L_2}{D_2^5}$$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{1800}{D_e^5} = \frac{1000}{(0.3)^5} + \frac{800}{(0.2)^5}$$

$$(0.3)^5 = 0.00243, (0.2)^5 = 0.00032$$

$$\frac{1000}{0.00243} = 411522, \frac{800}{0.00032} = 2.5 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{Sum} = 2,911,522$$

$$D_e^5 = \frac{1800}{2911522} = 0.0006183$$

$$D_e = (0.0006183)^{1/5} = (6.183 \times 10^{-4})^{0.2}$$

$$\text{Let's calculate: } \log D_e = \frac{1}{5}(\log 6.183 \times 10^{-4}) = \frac{1}{5}(0.7912 - 4) = \frac{1}{5}(-3.2088) = -0.64176$$

$$D_e = 10^{-0.64176} = 0.228 \text{ m} \approx 228 \text{ mm}$$

**Final Answer:**

$$D_e = 228 \text{ mm}$$