

17 Water is dropped into a container of oil. The water forms small spherical droplets that move slowly downwards.

(a) A droplet moves downwards at a constant speed. The flow of oil around the droplet is laminar.

(i) State what is meant by laminar flow.

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(ii) State the condition necessary for the speed of the droplet to be constant.

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(b) A spherical droplet has a volume of $3.35 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^3$.

(i) Calculate the weight of the droplet.

density of water = $1.00 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ (3)

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Weight of droplet =

(ii) Show that the upthrust on the water droplet when it's completely submerged in oil is about $3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ N}$.

density of oil = $0.94 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ (2)

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(iii) Calculate the terminal velocity of this water droplet in the oil.

viscosity of oil = 0.11 Pa s (4)

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Terminal velocity =