

Given:

A garden hose with a nozzle is used to fill a 10 gal bucket. The inner diameter of the hose is 2 cm and the diameter of the nozzle exit is 0.8 cm.

$$V_b := 10 \text{ gal} = 0.038 \cdot \text{m}^3 \quad D_h := 2 \text{ cm} \quad D_n := 0.8 \text{ cm}$$

Required:

If it takes 50 seconds to fill the bucket, determine

- (a) the volume and mass flow rates of water through the hose,
- (b) the average velocity of water inside the hose, and
- (c) the average velocity of water at the nozzle exit.

Solution:

The time it takes to fill the bucket is defined as

$$\Delta t := 50 \text{ s}$$

The volumetric flow rate of the hose is

$$V' := \frac{V_b}{\Delta t} = 0.7571 \cdot \frac{\text{L}}{\text{s}} \quad (a) \quad V' = 7.571 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

Assuming the density of water is 1 kg/L, the mass flow rate of the hose is then

$$m' := \left(1 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{L}} \right) \cdot V' = 0.7571 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}} \quad (a)$$

The cross sectional area of the flow at the hose section is

$$A_h := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot D_h^2 = 3.142 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

The average velocity of the water at the hose section is then

$$V_{\text{avg}_h} := \frac{V'}{A_h} = 2.4099 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad (b)$$

The cross sectional area of the flow at the nozzle section is

$$A_n := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot D_n^2 = 5.027 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$$

The average velocity of the water at the nozzle section is then

$$V_{\text{avg}_n} := \frac{V'}{A_n} = 15.06 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \quad (c)$$