

This result should remind you of the simple example of complete conversion of potential energy to kinetic energy of a mass m at height z , $mgz = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$, which solves $v = \sqrt{2gz}$.

Bernoulli's equation can be normalized using the concept of *energy head* or energy per unit weight. Dividing Equation 12.1 by ρg , which is *weight density*, we obtain

$$\underbrace{\frac{p}{\rho g}}_{\text{static}} + z + \underbrace{\frac{v^2}{2g}}_{\text{dynamic}} = \frac{\text{constant}}{\rho g} = H \quad (12.2)$$

where the constant, which was energy density in $\frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{m}^3}$, is now total energy head H in m. We can see

this by looking at the units $\frac{\frac{\text{Nm}}{\text{m}^3}}{\frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}} = \text{m}$. In Equation 12.2, we have separated what we considered

static and dynamic terms. The term $\underbrace{\frac{p}{\rho g}}_{\text{static}} + z = h$ is the hydraulic head or static head, or the sum of elevation and pressure head. Using these terms, we can rewrite Bernoulli's equation succinctly as

$$\underbrace{\frac{p}{\rho g} + z}_h + \frac{v^2}{2g} = h + \frac{v^2}{2g} = H \quad (12.3)$$

Stating that the sum of static head and dynamic head is the total head H , which remains constant. In this parameterization of Bernoulli's equation, the units of head are m.

Example 12.2

Consider another simple analogy of hydroelectric generation consisting of a large tank full of water as in Figure 12.8 and water flowing out of the bottom. The tank is 3 m tall and both points 1 and 2 are open to atmospheric pressure. What is the water velocity flowing out of the bottom of the tank?

Answer: We can solve this problem using Equation 12.1, but let us apply Equation 12.3 to practice calculations using hydraulic head. At points 1 and 2, we have $\frac{p_1}{\rho g} + z_1 + \frac{v_1^2}{2g} = \frac{p_2}{\rho g} + z_2 + \frac{v_2^2}{2g}$. Both pressure values are the same and cancel. We take the tank bottom as datum, and therefore $z_2 = 0$, $z_1 = 3$ m, thus head at 1 is $h_1 = z_1$ and $h_2 = 0$. At point 1, we can assume that velocity $v_1 = 0$ is zero

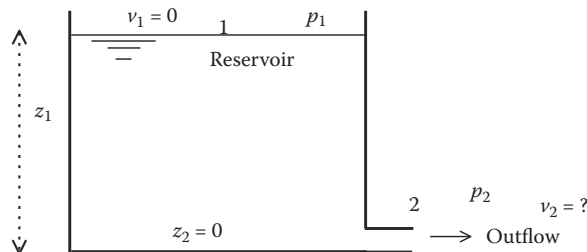


FIGURE 12.8 Illustration of Bernoulli's equation applied to water flowing out of a tank.

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Head loss (m) Roughness
1      11.84      150
>
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Power is $P = \eta g \rho Q(h - h_L) = 0.9 \times 9800 \times 0.01 \times (30 - 11.84) = 1.6 \text{ kW}$, or simply use P.Qh:

```
> hL <- pipe.loss(x) [1, 1]
> x <- list(h=30-hL, Q=0.01, nu=0.9)
> P.Qh(x)
Head (m) Flow (m3/s) Eff PowWater (kW) PowGen (kW)
1 18.16      0.01 0.9      1.78      1.6
> then multiply by efficiency
> 0.9 * P.Qh(x) [3]
Power (kW)
1      1.602
```

12.2.8 TURBINE: CONVERTING PRESSURE TO KINETIC ENERGY AND FORCE

Let us look a little closer at what happens at the turbine. The water at the inlet of the turbine is at pressure p_i and velocity v_i . We can apply Bernoulli's equation assuming water at the surface of the reservoir is at atmospheric pressure p_a and zero velocity. Then,

$$p_i \approx p_a + \rho gh - \frac{1}{2} \rho v_i^2 \quad (12.11)$$

Any pressure drop along the turbine $dp = p_i - p$ will produce an increase in kinetic energy given by Bernoulli's equation. This increased kinetic energy is an increased velocity that can exert a force on the turbine blades and cause rotational movement. To simplify the discussion, we will derive the equations for a specific type of turbine (impulse turbines) where the relationship between water velocity, and force and power is easy to see. In these turbines, pressure drop is converted to a water jet with constant velocity v .

First, recall from Chapter 1 that momentum is $\mathbf{p} = mv$ and $F = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = m \frac{dv}{dt}$, which is to say that force is rate of change of momentum, or product of mass and rate of change of velocity for constant mass. The letter \mathbf{p} is the usual symbol for momentum; we are using \mathbf{p} boldface to avoid confusion with p for pressure. A water jet of constant velocity v (product of the pressure drop) applies a force to a turbine blade given by $F = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = \frac{dm}{dt} v = \dot{m}v$, or the product of mass flow rate and velocity. Recall that $\dot{m} = \rho A v$ and therefore $F = \rho A v^2$.

But the blade is moving at velocity u , therefore the force applied to the blade is $F = 2\rho A (v - u)^2$. The factor 2 occurs in these turbines because the water jet returns at the same velocity but in opposite direction. Power given to the blade is the product of force and its velocity $P = Fu = 2\rho A (v - u)^2 u$. At $u = v$ (freewheeling) and at $u = 0$ (blade at rest), the power is zero. For a blade velocity between 0 and v , we should have maximum power. Taking the derivative of power $\frac{dP}{du} = 2\rho A \times (v - u)^2 - 2(v - u)u$, and making it equal to zero, we obtain $u = \frac{1}{2}v$ for maximum power. The rotational speed ω in rad/s will be $\omega = u/r$, where r is the radius of the turbine, or $N = \omega/2\pi$ in Hz. Also, power is $P = \tau\omega$, where τ is torque.

This is a simplistic model, but illustrates that tidal power of a cycle is increased by tidal basin surface area \bar{A} and density, and very significantly as the square of the cycle's tidal range H .

Example 12.14

Assume you have a tidal basin of 1 km^2 with the center of mass at half the tidal range, $a = 0.5$. Take a tidal cycle with range of 6 m and lasting 12 h and 24 min. What is the tidal power available in this cycle? What is the electrical ^{energy} power generated if the facility is 40% efficient?

Answer: The tidal power in this cycle is $P = \frac{a}{T} \rho g \bar{A} H^2 = \frac{0.5}{(12 \times 3600 + 24 \times 60)\text{s}} 1025 \times 9.8 \times 1 \times (1000)^2 \times 6^2 \simeq 4.05 \text{ MW}$. At 40% efficiency, we would generate 1.62 MW in a cycle corresponding to $1.6 \text{ MW} \times 12.4\text{h} = 20.09 \text{ MWh}$. Function `power.barrage.cycle` expedites this calculation:

```
> power.barrage.cycle(list(a=0.5,Abasin=1,nu=0.4,z=6))
$pow.tide.MW
[1] 4.05
$pow.gen.MW
[1] 1.62
$gen.MWh
[1] 20.09
>
```

This function becomes time saving when calculating power over many cycles.

When we look at plots such as the ones in Figure 12.22, we realize that the tidal range varies significantly during a month, in particular when reaching neap and spring tides. Therefore, we should account for these differences when performing power calculations such as the one we just did in Example 12.14. A comprehensive approach would be to input the values from the tidal model to the calculation, along with accounting for a decrease in surface area following the area–capacity curve of the basin. Let us assume for simplicity of illustration that surface area does not change significantly, and focus on the variation of tidal range.

Example 12.15

Function `find.peaks` of `renpow` facilitates obtaining all values of range, and `power.cycle` calculates power in a cycle using Equation 12.16. To demonstrate, we model a one-year time series for a hypothetical series, which is based on the constituents at Eastport, Maine, in the Bay of Fundy area (there is not a barrage there, this is just a hypothetical example).

```
x <- read.tide("extdata/ElevationTide.csv")
y <- harmonics.tide(x,days=29)
y <- harmonics.tide(x,days=365, plot=FALSE)
z <- find.peaks(y, band=c(0,1))
pp <- power.barrage.cycle(list(a=0.5,Abasin=1,z=z$xp,nu=0.4))
```

Alternatively, we could have used

```
x <- read.tide(system.file("extdata","ElevationTide.csv",package="renpow"))
```

The plots in Figure 12.24 show a monthly pattern beginning with spring tides (top panel), and the all peaks found in a year (bottom panel). Those peaks multiplied by 2 are an estimate of tidal range for those cycles. The results for power in MW and energy in MWh are