

**SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND
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SEMESTER I EXAMINATION 2016-2017

– **Transport Phenomena**

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TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. This examination paper contains **8** questions.
2. Answer all questions. The marks for each question are indicated at the beginning of each question.
3. This **IS NOT an OPEN BOOK** exam.
4. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should write down systematically the steps in the workings.

5. Some formulas that might help.

For laminar pipe flow, $u_{avg} = -\frac{1}{8\mu} \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta x} R^2$, Δp is the pressure loss due to viscous effects, R is the radius of pipe

For pipe flow, $h_f = f \frac{L}{d} \frac{v^2}{2g}$, f is the friction factor

The acceleration of gravity $g = 10 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$

Problem 1.

(10 marks)

Determine the difference in pressure between the inside and outside of a soap film bubble at 20°C, if the diameter of the bubble is 5 mm. (The coefficient of surface tension $\sigma=0.025$ N/m.)

Problem 2.

(14 marks)

Gate AB in figure below is semicircular, hinged at B , and held by a horizontal force P at A . What force P is required for equilibrium?

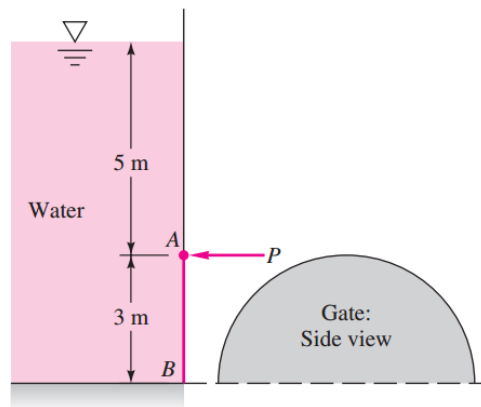


Figure 1: Problem 2

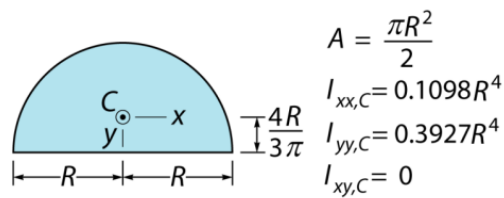


Figure 2: Centroidal coordinates and moments of area for a semicircle

Problem 3.

(14 marks)

Assume some 2-dimensional flow field satisfy

$$u = x + t$$

$$v = y + t$$

and let $x = a, y = b$ when $t = 0$, find the Lagrangian velocity expression.

Problem 4.

(10 marks)

Show mass conservation of incompressible flow is

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$$

Problem 5.

(12 marks)

Below is a picture which describes the siphon phenomenon: the water is siphoned from a large tank through a constant diameter hose. Assume water to be inviscid, incompressible and flow to be steady. (The acceleration of gravity $g = 10 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$.) Please determine:

- (a) velocity of water leaving (3) as a free jet
- (b) water pressure in tube at (2)

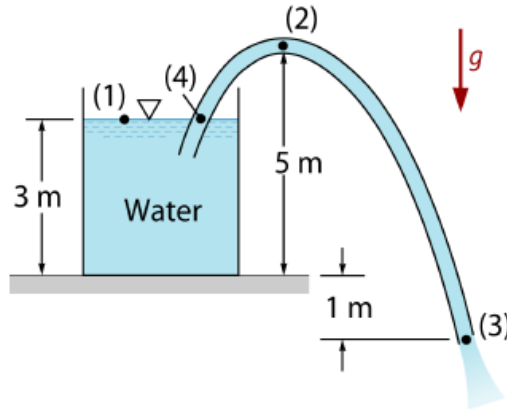


Figure 3: Problem 5

Problem 6.

(14 marks)

In flow past a flat plate, the boundary layer thickness δ varies with distance x , freestream velocity U , viscosity μ , and density ρ . Find the dimensionless parameters for this problem.

Problem 7.

(10 marks)

Write out the three components of $\frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = -\frac{1}{\rho}\nabla p + \nu\nabla^2\mathbf{u}$ in x-y-z Cartesian coordinates. b) Set $\mathbf{u} = (u(y), 0, 0)$, and simplified the x- and y-momentum equations.

Problem 8.

(16 marks)

The tankpipe system of Fig.xxx is to deliver at least $11\text{m}^3/\text{h}$ of water at 20°C to the reservoir. What is the maximum roughness height allowable for the pipe? ($\rho = 1000\text{kg}/\text{m}^3$, $\mu = 0.001\text{kg}/(\text{m}\cdot\text{s})$ and $g = 10\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-2}$)
hint: $h_f = f\frac{L}{d}\frac{v^2}{2g}$, f is the friction factor

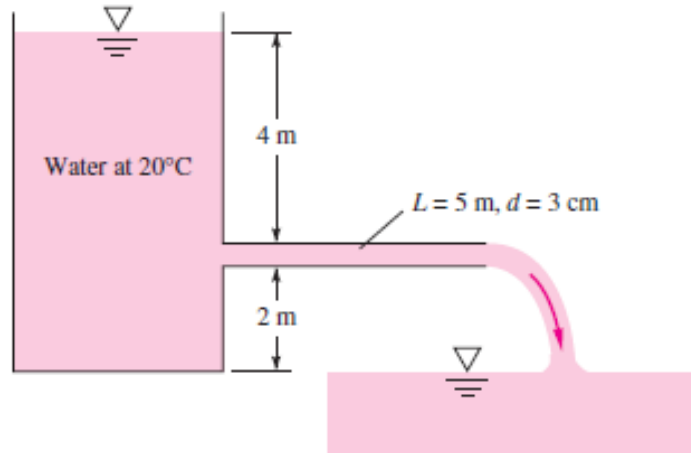


Figure 4: Problem 8