

Chapter 6: Viscous Flows in Ducts

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• There are three types of flows: (Depending on Re number)

- 1- **laminar flow**: At low Re :- The flow is smooth
the viscosity is high

$$Re \leq 1000$$

- 2- $1000 \leq Re \leq 10000$ transition
to turbulence

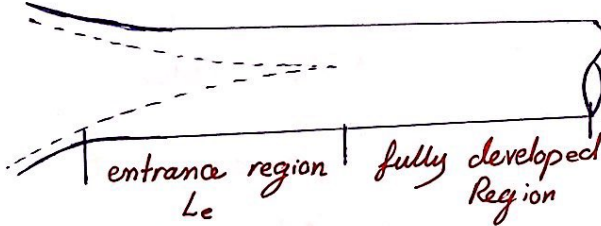
- 3- **Turbulent flow**: At high Re
low viscosity
 $Re \geq 10000$

Difference between internal
and external flow

→ **Internal**: يكون محدود بسطح
حلب والحدود والضغط

→ **external**: يكون غير محدود
في السطح حول الجسم

• In Internal flows:-



→ For **laminar flow**: $\frac{L_e}{d} \approx 0.06 Re$

(Max $L_e = 138d$
at critical Re)

→ For **Turbulent flow**: $\frac{L_e}{d} \approx 1.6 Re^{1/4}$

for $Re \leq 10^7$

Note: **Turbulent pressure** drops with diameter more than
laminar so to decrease pumping pressure use larger
pipes

Raynolds number:

$$Re = \frac{\rho V d}{\mu}$$

or

$$Re = \frac{V d}{\nu}$$

Average velocity

Kinematic viscosity

$Re_{critical} = 2300$

• Note: we only study
internal flows
(Bounded)

Head loss The friction factor

$$\left(\frac{P}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha V^2}{2g} + z \right)_1 = \left(\frac{P}{\rho g} + \frac{\alpha V^2}{2g} + z \right)_2 + h_f \Rightarrow h_f = \Delta z + \frac{\Delta P}{\rho g}$$

if V is constant

$$h_f = f \frac{L}{d} \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

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Bernoulli إذا كانت

and we can relate head loss to wall shear stress

$$h_f = \frac{4 \tau_w L}{\rho g d}$$

• For laminar flow: $h_f = \frac{32 \mu L V}{\rho g d^2} = \frac{128 \mu L Q}{\pi \rho g d^4}$

$$f = \frac{64}{Re}$$

• For turbulent flow: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -1.8 \log \left(\left(\frac{\epsilon/d}{3.7} \right)^{1.1} + \frac{6.9}{Re} \right)$

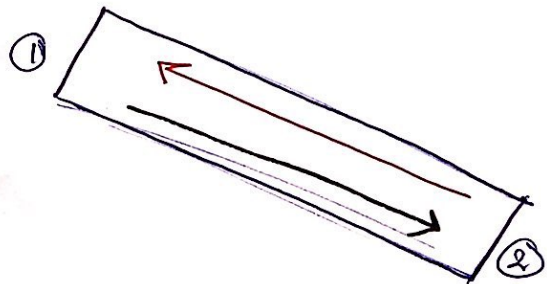
or you can use moody chart

• Remember:

$$h_f = HGL \Delta L$$

where $HGL = z + \frac{P}{\rho g}$ if V is constant

Flow Goes From
higher HGL to
low HGL



so if $HGL_1 < HGL_2$
Then flow is $2 \rightarrow 1$

if $HGL_1 > HGL_2$
Then flow is $1 \rightarrow 2$

• four Types of pipe flow problems

Type 1: Given: d, L, V or Q, ρ, μ and g

Find: h_f

Solution: find Re , $\frac{e}{d}$ and find f then compute h_f

Type 2: Given: d, L, h_f, ρ, μ and g

Find: V or Q

Solution: Direct:- calculate f , then use relation

$$Re_d = (-8.5)^{\frac{1}{2}} \log \left(\frac{e/d}{3.7} + \frac{1.775}{Re_d} \right)$$

(Not always right, it can be wrong if there are losses)

Iterative: Assume value of f
 f is at the fully rough so e/d is calculated and use the relation between f and V using $f = h_f \frac{d}{L} \frac{2g}{V^2}$
 then use eq* fully rough

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = -2 \log \frac{e/d}{3.7}$$

Type 3: Given: Q, L, h_f, ρ, μ and g

Find: diameter d

Solution: find d in terms of f using $f = \frac{\pi^2 g h_f d^5}{8 L Q^2}$

• find Re in terms of d

$$\rightarrow \text{using } Re = \frac{4Q}{\pi d \nu}$$

• find Ratio e/d

• Guess f then find $\underbrace{\text{new } Re, \text{ new Ratio}}_{\text{use these to find } f_{\text{new}}}$

• stop at convergence

Type 4: Given Q, d, h_f, ρ, μ and g

Find: pipe length L

Solution: If minor losses are neglected & pipe is horizontal

$$h_{\text{pump}} = \frac{\text{Power}}{\rho g Q} = h_f = f \frac{L V^2}{d 2g}$$

Flow in Noncircular ducts

Hydraulic diameter

$$D_H = \frac{4 \times \text{Area}}{\text{wetted perimeter}} \rightarrow \text{by}$$

→ If the flow is between Parallel plates

$$D_H = 4h \quad \text{where } h = \frac{\text{distance apart}}{2}$$

→ If the flow is laminar:

$$\tau_w = \frac{3\mu V}{h}$$

$$h_f = \frac{\Delta P}{\rho g} = \frac{3\mu L V}{\rho g h^2} \quad , \quad h_f = f \frac{L}{D_H} \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

$$f_{\text{lam}} = \frac{96}{Re D_H} \quad , \quad Re = \frac{\rho V D_H}{\mu}$$

→ If the flow is turbulent

use D_H as diameter for reasonable accuracy

or use D_{eff} for more accuracy

$$D_{\text{eff}} = \frac{64}{96} D_H$$

Minor or local losses in Pipe systems

$$\Delta h_{tot} = h_f + \sum h_m = f \frac{V^2 L}{2g d} + \underbrace{\sum K \frac{V^2}{2g}}_{\text{Given or found from curves}}$$

Additional Notes:

In eq: $\left(\frac{P}{\rho g} + \dots \right)_1 = \left(\frac{P}{\rho g} + \dots \right)_2 + h_f$

- P is either Gauge or absolute for both sides

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6.34
6.36
6.109 Pdf

- In pumps

$$P = \frac{\rho g Q h_p}{\eta}$$

- original equation of losses

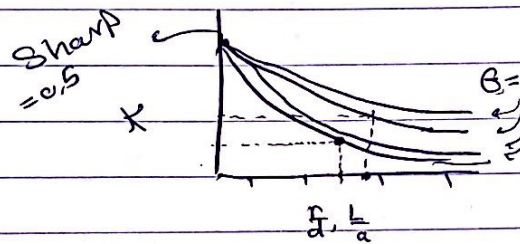
$$\frac{P_1}{\rho g} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{P_2}{\rho g} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 + h_f + \underbrace{\sum h_m}_{\sum K \frac{V^2}{2g}} - h_p$$

↖ Given or found

How to find K ?

Sharp exit : $K=1$

sharp entrance, go to Fig 6.21 , $K=0.5$
if not sharp, cal $\frac{r}{d}$ or $\frac{r}{a}$ and then go
vertical to the angle given



open valves, elbows, Tees \rightarrow Go to table 6.5 and
convert d (in m) to inch
choose the right diameter and read the value
of K

1 m \approx 39.37 inch

Bendings : Fig 6.20, calculate $\frac{R}{d}$ radius of bend
diameter

Choose right angle (90, 180, 45)
and obtain K



half open valves, Gate or disk or Globe
go to Fig 6.18b

obtain fractional opening $\frac{h}{D}$ then choose
type and obtain K

