

Florida International University
CWR 3201 Fluid Mechanics, Fall 2020
Mid-term

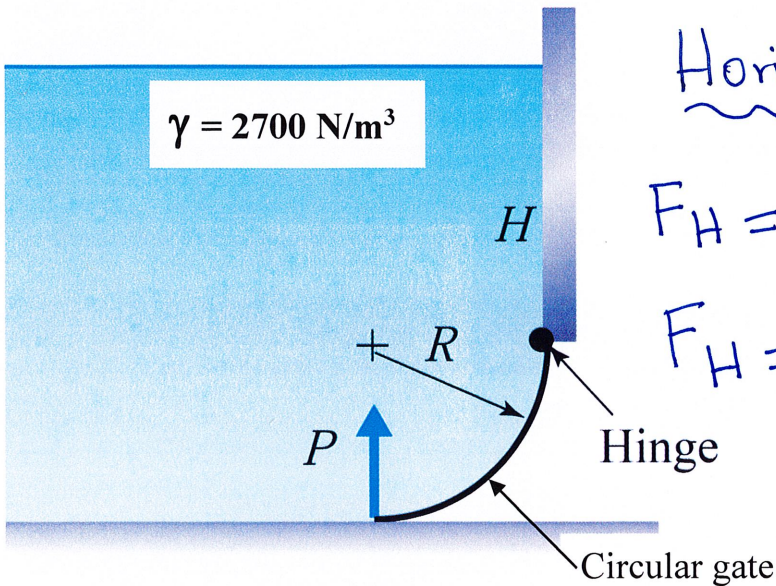
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- ✓ You will have 1h 40 minutes to complete the exam starting at 9:30 am. You will have an extra of 10 minutes to scan your solution and upload it to Canvas [Assignment "Upload your Mid-term Exam Solution HERE"]. **Canvas will not accept uploads after 11:20 am.**
- ✓ The exam is closed book and closed notes. You can use the one-page formula sheet provided via Canvas. Only one page (front and back) with handwritten equations are allowed.

1. **(25 points)** What is the horizontal and vertical force of the liquid acting on the circular gate below? Use $R = 1.5$ m, $H = 6$ m, Gate width $b = 3$ m. The liquid has a specific weight of 2700 N/m^3 .



Horizontal Force

$$F_H = \gamma \bar{h} A = 2700 \left[6 + \frac{1.5}{2} \right] \left[\frac{1.5 \times 3}{3} \right]$$

$$F_H = 82,013 \text{ N}$$

$$\boxed{F_H = 82 \text{ kN}}$$

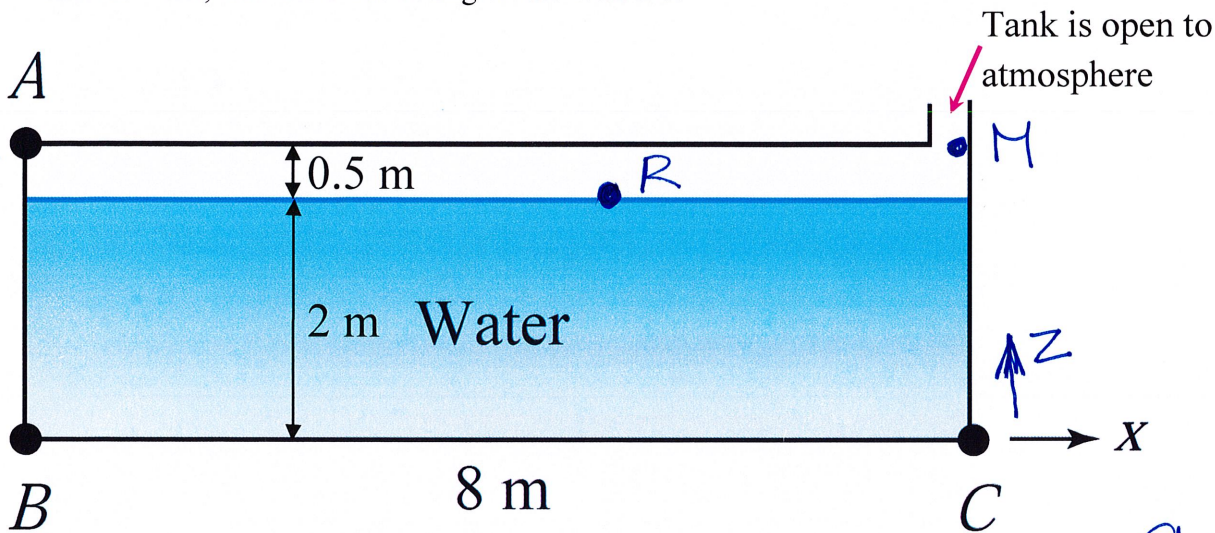
Vertical Force

$F_V =$ weight of water over gate

$$F_V = \gamma V = 2700 \times \text{gate width} \left[6 \times 1.5 + \frac{\pi \times 1.5^2}{4} \right]$$

$$F_V = 87,214 \text{ N} = \boxed{87.2 \text{ kN}}$$

2. (25 points) The tank shown in the figure below is accelerated vertically **down** at 9.8 m/s^2 . If the tank is 4 meters wide, find the force acting on the wall BC.



$$a_x = 0$$

$$a_z = -9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

Solution

$$dp = -\rho a_x dx - \rho (a_z + g) dz$$

$$dp = -0 - \rho (-9.8 + 9.8) dz$$

$$\boxed{dp = 0}$$

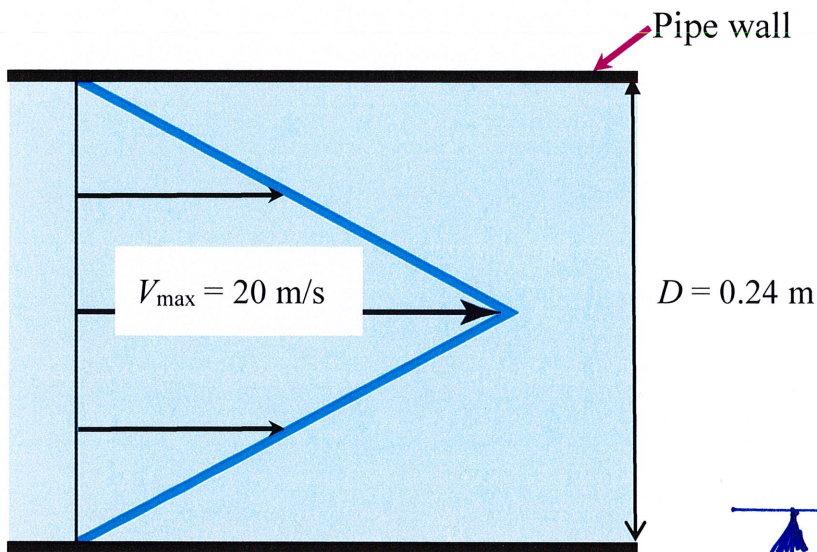
When $a_z = -g$, the particles of water are "floating". There is no pressure difference between them ($dp = 0$).

$$P_R = P_C = P_B = P_A = P_M = 0$$

$$F_{\text{wall BC}} = P_B \times \text{Area} = 0 \times (8 \times 4)$$

$$F_{\text{wall BC}} = 0 \text{ N}$$

3. (25 points) Water flows in a 24-cm-diameter pipe with the velocity profile shown below (i.e., the velocity increases linearly from zero at the pipe wall to a maximum at the center of the pipe). Find the flow discharge if the maximum velocity at the center of the pipe (V_{\max}) is 20 m/s.



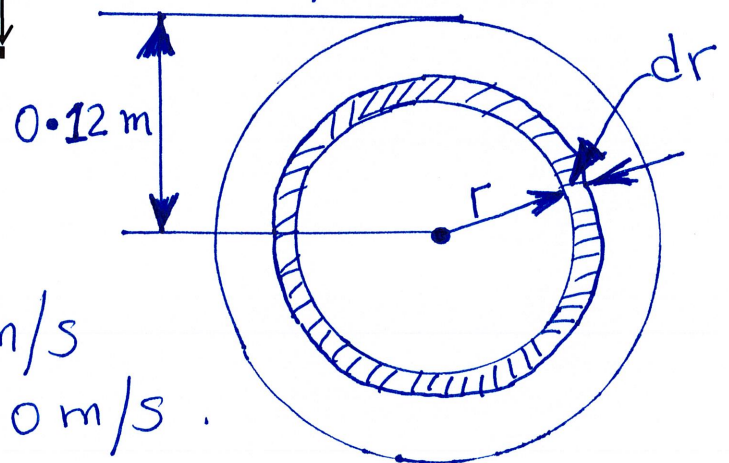
Solution

$$r = \frac{D}{2} = \frac{0.24}{2} = 0.12 \text{ m}$$

$$Q = AV$$

$$Q = \int v \, dA \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$dA = 2\pi r \, dr$$



* Velocity as a function of "r."

$$V \text{ at } r=0, V=20 \text{ m/s}$$

$$V \text{ at } r=0.12 \text{ m}, V=0 \text{ m/s}.$$

Line equation

$$y = mx + b$$

$$V = mr + b$$

$$\text{At } r=0: 20 = m(0) + b \rightarrow b = 20$$

$$\text{At } r=0.12: 0 = m(0.12) + 20$$

$$m = -166.67$$

$$V = -166.67r + 20$$

$$\text{In } \textcircled{1} \quad Q = \int_0^{0.12} (-166.67r + 20)(2\pi r) \, dr$$

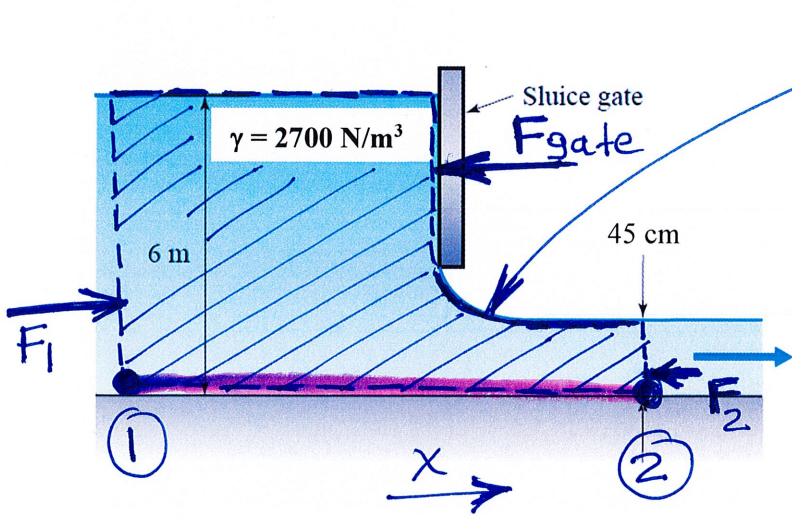
$$Q = 2\pi \int_0^{0.12} (-166.67r + 20)r \, dr$$

$$Q = 2\pi \left(-166.67 \frac{r^3}{3} + 20 \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \Big|_0^{0.12}$$

$$Q = 2\pi (-0.096 + 0.144)$$

$$Q = 0.302 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

4. (25 points) Assuming hydrostatic pressure distributions ($P = \gamma h$), uniform velocity profiles (i.e., velocity doesn't change with depth), and negligible viscous effects, find the horizontal force needed to hold the sluice gate in the position shown below. The liquid has a specific weight of 2700 N/m^3 . The gate width is 5 m.



control volume

Momentum Eq.

$$F_1 - F_2 - F_{\text{gate}} = \dot{m} (V_2 - V_1) \quad \dots (1)$$

$$F_1 = \gamma \bar{h}_1 A_1 = 2700 \left(\frac{6}{2}\right) (6 \times 5)$$

$$F_1 = 243,000 \text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = \gamma \bar{h}_2 A_2 = 2700 \left(\frac{0.45}{2}\right) (0.45 \times 5)$$

$$F_2 = 1367 \text{ N}$$

* Bernoulli Eq [Remember this applies along a Streamline].
Streamline at bottom of channel ($z = z_1 = z_2$)

$$\frac{P_1}{\gamma} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{P_2}{\gamma} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2$$

$$6 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = 0.45 + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 \quad (z_1 = z_2)$$

$$6 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = 0.45 + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} \quad \dots (2)$$

Continuity

$$Q_1 = Q_2$$

$$V_1 (6) = V_2 (0.45)$$

$$V_2 = 13.33 V_1$$

In (2)

$$6 + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = 0.45 + \left(\frac{13.33 V_1}{2g} \right)^2$$

$$5.55 = \frac{176.69 V_1^2}{19.6} \rightarrow V_1 = 0.78 \text{ m/s}$$
$$V_2 = 10.46 \text{ m/s}$$

$$* \dot{m} = \rho A V = \rho A_1 V_1 = \rho A_2 V_2$$

$$\dot{m} = \frac{2700}{9.8} \times (6 \times 5) (0.78) = 6446.94 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}}$$

In (1)

$$243,000 - 1367 - F_{\text{gate}} = 6446.94 (10.46 - 0.78)$$

$$F_{\text{gate}} = 179,227 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{\text{gate}} = 179.2 \text{ kN}$$